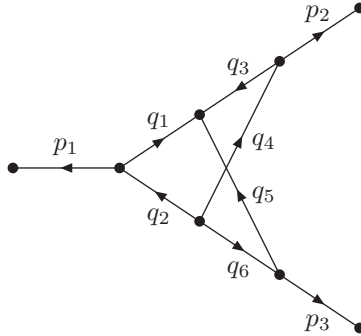


Exercises for the course “Feynman integrals”
Sheet 2

Exercise 3

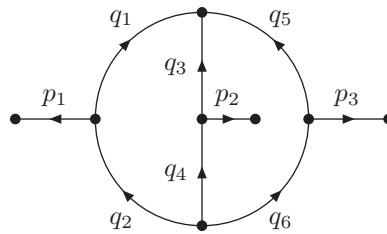
Determine the graph polynomials \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{F} for the graph



for the case where all internal masses are zero (but $p_1^2 \neq 0$, $p_2^2 \neq 0$, $p_3^2 \neq 0$).

Solution:

Let us first note that the graph may equally well be drawn as



As independent loop momenta we take

$$k_1 = q_1, \quad k_2 = q_5.$$

Then

$$q_2 = k_1 + p_1, \quad q_3 = -k_1 - k_2, \quad q_4 = -k_1 - k_2 + p_2, \quad q_6 = k_2 + p_3,$$

and $p_3 = -p_1 - p_2$. We work out

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^6 \alpha_j (-q_j^2) &= -(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4) k_1^2 - 2(\alpha_3 + \alpha_4) k_1 \cdot k_2 - (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6) k_2^2 \\ &\quad + 2(\alpha_4 p_2 - \alpha_2 p_1) \cdot k_1 + 2(\alpha_4 p_2 - \alpha_6 p_3) \cdot k_2 - \alpha_2 p_1^2 - \alpha_4 p_2^2 - \alpha_6 p_3^2. \end{aligned}$$

We find

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 & \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 \\ \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 & \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 v &= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_4 p_2 - \alpha_2 p_1 \\ \alpha_4 p_2 - \alpha_6 p_3 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 J &= \alpha_2 (-p_1)^2 + \alpha_4 (-p_2)^2 + \alpha_6 (-p_3)^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

From momentum conservation we have $(p_1 + p_2)^2 = p_3^2$ and hence

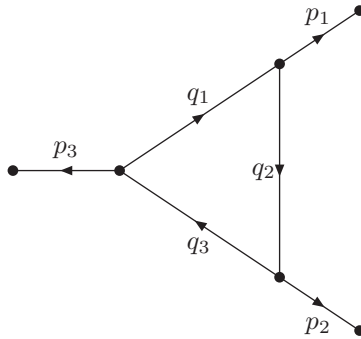
$$\begin{aligned}
 2p_1 \cdot p_2 &= p_3^2 - p_1^2 - p_2^2, \\
 2p_2 \cdot p_3 &= p_1^2 - p_2^2 - p_3^2, \\
 2p_3 \cdot p_1 &= p_2^2 - p_3^2 - p_1^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Plugging everything together we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{U} &= (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)(\alpha_3 + \alpha_4) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)(\alpha_5 + \alpha_6) + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4)(\alpha_5 + \alpha_6), \\
 \mathcal{F} &= [\alpha_1 \alpha_4 \alpha_6 + \alpha_2 \alpha_3 \alpha_5 + \alpha_1 \alpha_2 (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_5 \alpha_6)] \left(\frac{-p_1^2}{\mu^2} \right) \\
 &\quad + [\alpha_3 \alpha_2 \alpha_6 + \alpha_4 \alpha_1 \alpha_5 + \alpha_3 \alpha_4 (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_5 \alpha_6)] \left(\frac{-p_2^2}{\mu^2} \right) \\
 &\quad + [\alpha_5 \alpha_2 \alpha_4 + \alpha_6 \alpha_1 \alpha_3 + \alpha_5 \alpha_6 (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \alpha_4)] \left(\frac{-p_3^2}{\mu^2} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 4

Calculate with the help of the Feynman parameter representation the one-loop triangle integral



$$I_{\nu_1 \nu_2 \nu_3} = e^{\varepsilon \gamma_E} (\mu^2)^{\nu - \frac{D}{2}} \int \frac{d^D k}{i\pi^{\frac{D}{2}}} \frac{1}{(-q_1^2)^{\nu_1} (-q_2^2)^{\nu_2} (-q_3^2)^{\nu_3}},$$

for the case where all internal masses are zero ($m_1 = m_2 = m_3 = 0$) and for the kinematic configuration $p_1^2 = p_2^2 = 0$, $p_3^2 \neq 0$.

Solution:

The second graph polynomial is given by

$$\mathcal{F} = a_1 a_3 \left(\frac{-p_3^2}{\mu^2} \right)$$

and the Feynman parameter representation reads

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\nu_1 \nu_2 \nu_3} &= \frac{e^{\varepsilon \gamma_E} \Gamma(\nu - \frac{D}{2})}{\Gamma(\nu_1) \Gamma(\nu_2) \Gamma(\nu_3)} \int_{a_j \geq 0} d^3 a \delta(1 - a_1 - a_2 - a_3) \frac{a_1^{\nu_1-1} a_2^{\nu_2-1} a_3^{\nu_3-1}}{[\mathcal{F}(a)]^{\nu - \frac{D}{2}}} \\ &= \frac{e^{\varepsilon \gamma_E} \Gamma(\nu - \frac{D}{2})}{\Gamma(\nu_1) \Gamma(\nu_2) \Gamma(\nu_3)} \left(\frac{-p_3^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{\frac{D}{2} - \nu} \int_{a_j \geq 0} d^3 a \delta(1 - a_1 - a_2 - a_3) a_1^{\frac{D}{2} - \nu_{23} - 1} a_2^{\nu_2 - 1} a_3^{\frac{D}{2} - \nu_{12} - 1}. \end{aligned}$$

The Feynman parameter integral is a generalisation of Euler's beta function: For $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have

$$\int_{a_j \geq 0} d^n a \delta\left(1 - \sum_{j=1}^n a_j\right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^n a_j^{\nu_j - 1}\right) = \frac{\prod_{j=1}^n \Gamma(\nu_j)}{\Gamma(\nu_1 + \dots + \nu_n)}$$

and therefore

$$I_{\nu_1 \nu_2 \nu_3} = \frac{e^{\varepsilon \gamma_E} \Gamma(\nu - \frac{D}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{D}{2} - \nu_{12}) \Gamma(\frac{D}{2} - \nu_{23})}{\Gamma(\nu_1) \Gamma(\nu_3) \Gamma(D - \nu)} \left(\frac{-p_3^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{\frac{D}{2} - \nu}.$$