

# Algebraic Continuation of Multiple Zeta Values by Renormalization

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- **QFT dimensional regularization:** Let  $R = \mathbb{C}[\varepsilon^{-1}, \varepsilon]$  be the ring of Laurent series  $\sum_{n=-k}^{\infty} a_n \varepsilon^n$ ,  $k \geq 0$ . Define

$$P\left(\sum_{n=-k}^{\infty} a_n \varepsilon^n\right) = \sum_{n=-k}^{-1} a_n \varepsilon^n.$$

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**Others:** Partial sums, scalar product, Hochschild homology ring, classical and associative Yang-Baxter equations, dendriform algebras, rooted trees, divided powers, ....

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- **Theorem (Algebraic Birkhoff decomposition)** Any algebra homomorphism  $\phi : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow R$  has a unique decomposition into algebra homomorphisms

$$\phi = \phi_-^{-1} \star \phi_+, \quad \begin{cases} \phi_- : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} + P(R) \text{ (counter term)} \\ \phi_+ : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} + (\text{id} - P)(R) \text{ (renormalization)} \end{cases}$$



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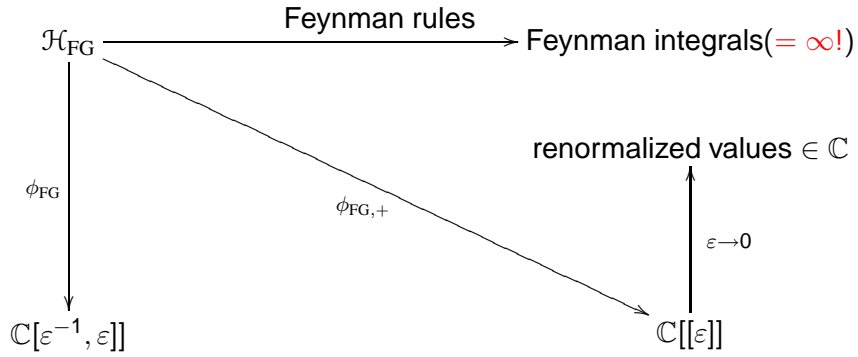
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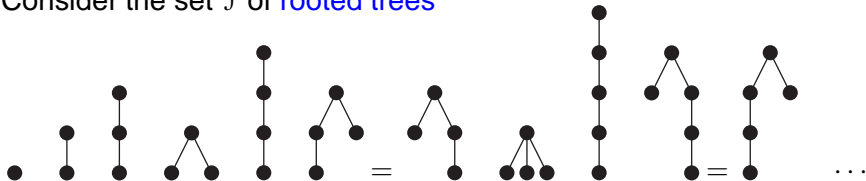
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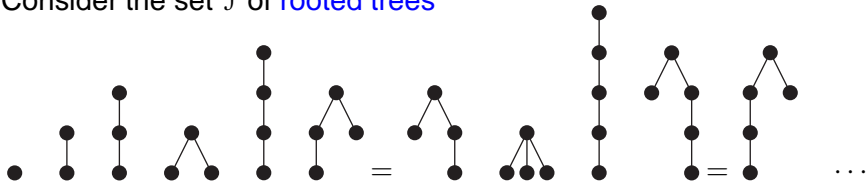
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► **5. MZVs with positive arguments**

Multiple zeta values are defined to be the evaluation of the multiple complex variable function

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Write  $a = a_1 \otimes a'$ ,  $b = b_1 \otimes b'$ . Recursively define

$$(a_1 \otimes a') * (b_1 \otimes b') = a_1 \otimes (a' * (b_1 \otimes b')) + b_1 \otimes ((a_1 \otimes a') * b') + (a_1 b_1) \otimes (a' * b'),$$

with the convention that if  $a = a_1$ , then  $a'$  multiplies as the identity.

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For multiple variables,

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- ▶ **Question:** What about MZVs with nonpositive arguments?



► **6. Non-positive MZVs by analytic continuation**

**One variable case:**  $\zeta(z)$  has analytic continuation to the whole complex plane with a simple pole at  $z = 1$ . So  $\zeta(k)$ ,  $k \leq 0$ , are defined. Further,

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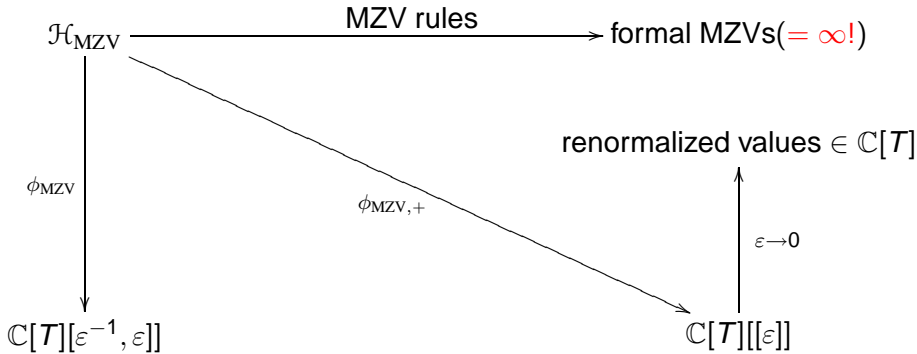


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