

Numerically Computing QCD Laplace Sum-Rules Using pySecDec

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QCD sum-rules is a methodology for computing hadron properties.

Properties

Masses, widths, mixing angles, decay rates,...

Hadrons

Mesons, baryons, glueballs, hybrids, diquarks, tetraquarks, pentaquarks,...

Citations

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QCD correlation functions satisfy dispersion relations.

$$\Pi(q^2) = \frac{q^8}{\pi} \int_{t_0}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Im}\Pi(t)}{t^4(t - q^2)} dt + \dots$$

hadron threshold → t_0

hadron spectral function → $\text{Im}\Pi(t)$

subtraction constants → \dots

Quark-hadron duality!

The Borel transform suppresses contributions from excited states.

Borel transform

Borel parameter

$$\hat{\mathcal{B}} = \lim_{N, q^2 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{q^{2N}}{\Gamma(N)} \left(\frac{d}{dq^2} \right)^N \quad \text{where } \tau \equiv -\frac{N}{q^2}$$

unsubtracted Laplace sum-rule (LSR)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_k(\tau) &\equiv \frac{1}{\tau} \hat{\mathcal{B}} \left\{ q^{2k} \Pi(q^2) \right\} \\ &= \int_{t_0}^{\infty} t^k e^{-t\tau} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

exponential kernel

The spectral function is split into resonance and continuum intervals.

resonances

continuum threshold parameter

$$\text{Im}\Pi(t) = \rho(t) + \theta(t - s_0)\text{Im}\Pi^{\text{QCD}}(t)$$

$$\mathcal{R}_k(\tau, s_0) = \mathcal{R}_k(\tau) - \int_{s_0}^{\infty} t^k e^{-t\tau} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi^{\text{QCD}}(t) dt$$

subtracted
Laplace sum-
rule (LSR)

$$= \int_{t_0}^{s_0} t^k e^{-t\tau} \frac{1}{\pi} \rho(t) dt$$

A single narrow resonance is often used to model the ground state.

$$\rho(t) = \pi f_H^2 \delta(t - m_H^2)$$

ground state
hadron mass

$$M(\tau, s_0) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{R}_1(\tau, s_0)}{\mathcal{R}_0(\tau, s_0)}} = m_H$$

Predictions for s_0 and m_H extracted as best-fit parameters.

The correlator is computed using the operator product expansion (OPE).

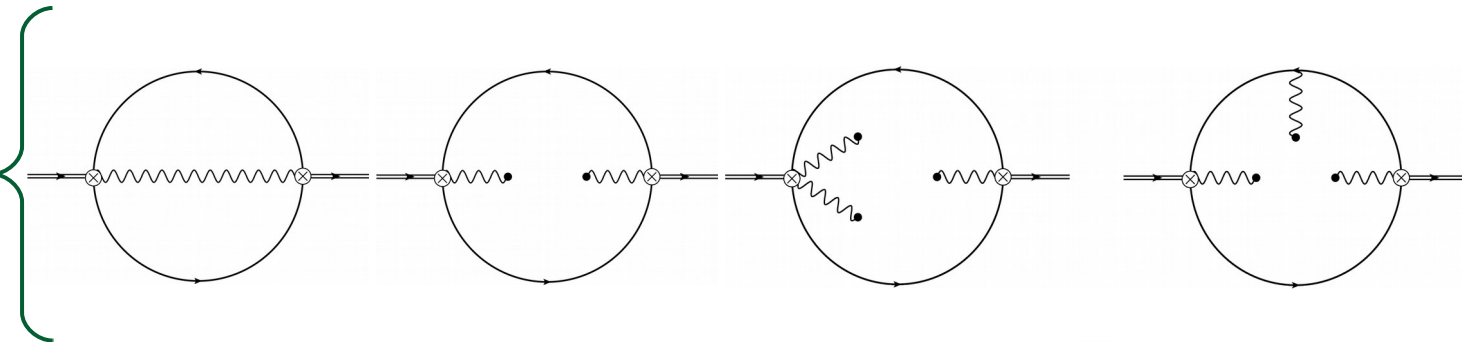
perturbation theory

Wilson coefficients

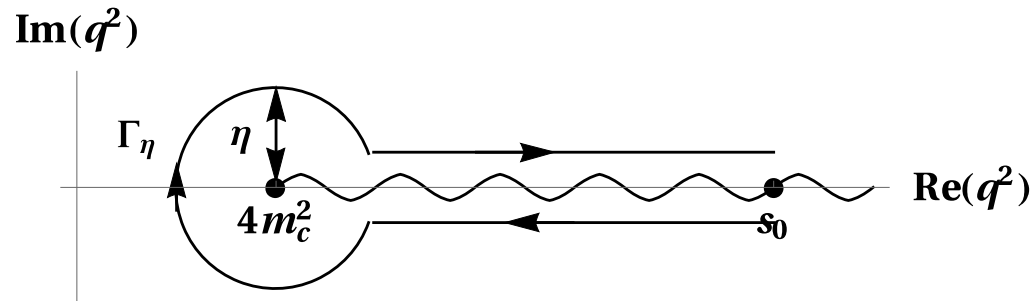
$$\Pi^{\text{QCD}}(q^2) = \mathcal{I}(q^2) + C_I(q^2) \langle \alpha G^2 \rangle + C_{II}(q^2) \langle g^3 G^3 \rangle + \dots$$

condensates

charmonium hybrid



The Borel transform has an integral representation.



$$\mathcal{R}_k(\tau, s_0) = \int_{4m_c^2(1+\eta)}^{s_0} t^k e^{-t\tau} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi^{\text{QCD}}(t) dt$$

$$+ \int_{\Gamma_\eta} q^{2k} e^{-q^2\tau} \Pi^{\text{QCD}}(q^2) dq^2$$

Divergent loop integrals are handled through dimensional regularization.

$$\int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \rightarrow \int \frac{d^D p}{(2\pi)^D} \text{ where } D = 4 + 2\epsilon$$

Dimensionally regularized integrals can be difficult to compute due to:

- Number of external lines
- Number of loops
- Number of distinct masses (scales)

pySecDec numerically calculates dimensionally regularized integrals.

<http://secdec.hepforge.org>

1. Loop integrands written in terms of Feynman parameters.
2. Sector decomposition used to isolate divergences.
3. Monte Carlo integration used to numerically evaluate Feynman parameter integrals.

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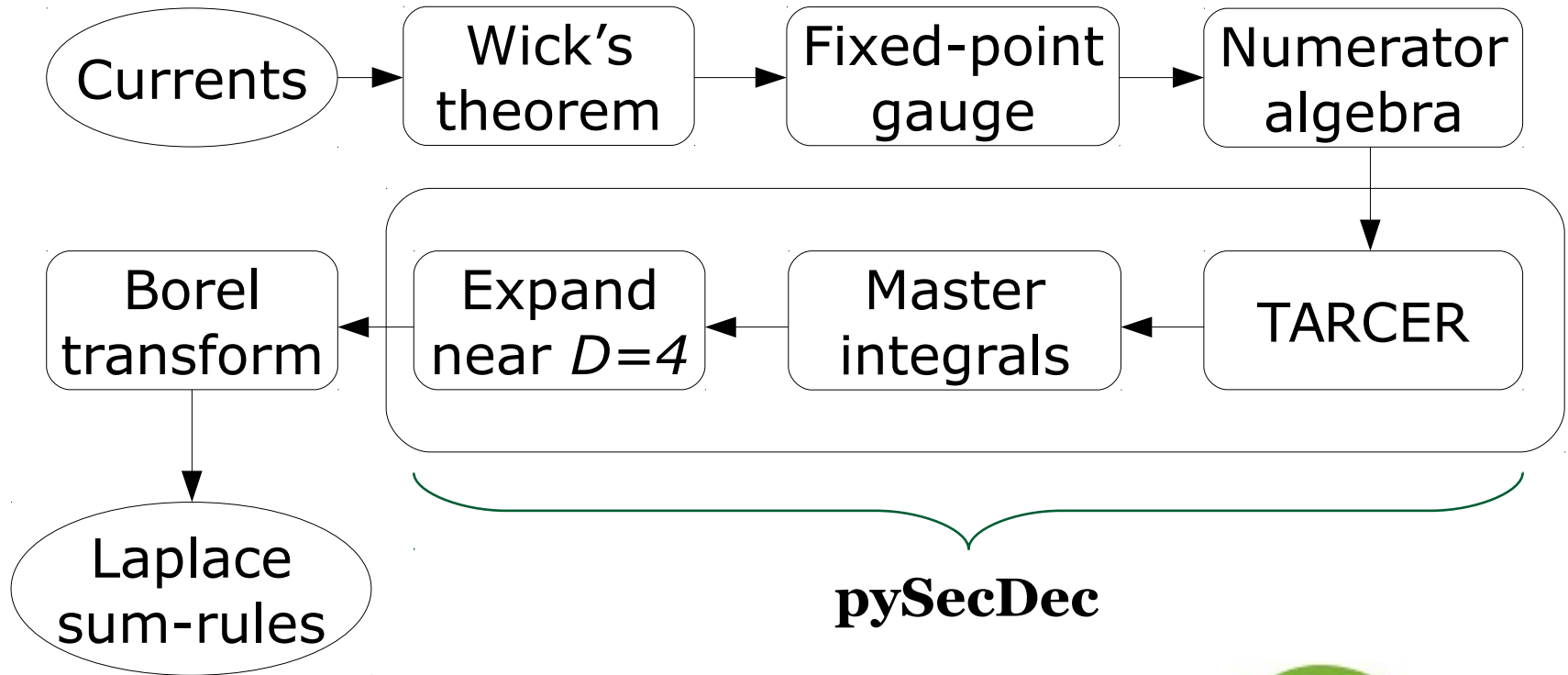
pySecDec has a number of useful features.

- No limits on numbers of external lines, loops, or quarks masses.
- No restrictions on external momenta.
- Computes finite and divergent parts.
- Provides error estimates.
- Works on scalar or tensor integrands.
- Fully open source.

Can pySecDec be used to numerically compute QCD Laplace sum-rules?

- Is the output of pySecDec accurate enough to reliably compute the contour integral needed to formulate QCD Laplace sum-rules?
- Are run-times reasonable, i.e., can we actually apply the QCD sum-rules analysis methodology?
- What sort of computing power is needed?

pySecDec collapses three analytic steps into one numerical step.



As a test, we consider the o^{-+} charmonium hybrid correlator.

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi(z) = & \frac{m_c^6 \alpha_s}{270\pi^3} \left(9(4z^3 - 25z^2 + 31z - 10) {}_3F_2\left(1, 1, 1; \frac{3}{2}, 3; z\right) \right. \\ & \left. + z(8z^3 + 8z^2 + 29z - 10) {}_3F_2\left(1, 1, 2; \frac{5}{2}, 3; z\right) \right) \\ & + \frac{m_c^2}{18\pi} z(2z + 1) {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{5}{2}; z\right) \langle \alpha G^2 \rangle \\ & + \frac{1}{384\pi^2(z - 1)} \left((2z^2 - 2z + 1) {}_2F_1\left(1, 1; \frac{5}{2}; z\right) \right. \\ & \left. + (10z^2 - 20z + 7) \right) \langle g^3 G^3 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

where $z = \frac{q^2}{4m_c^2}$



Laplace sum-rules inherit uncertainties from QCD parameters.

$$\alpha_s(\mu) = \frac{\alpha_s(M_\tau)}{1 + \frac{25\alpha_s(M_\tau)}{12\pi} \log\left(\frac{\mu^2}{M_\tau^2}\right)} \quad \text{where } \alpha_s(M_\tau) = 0.330 \pm 0.014$$

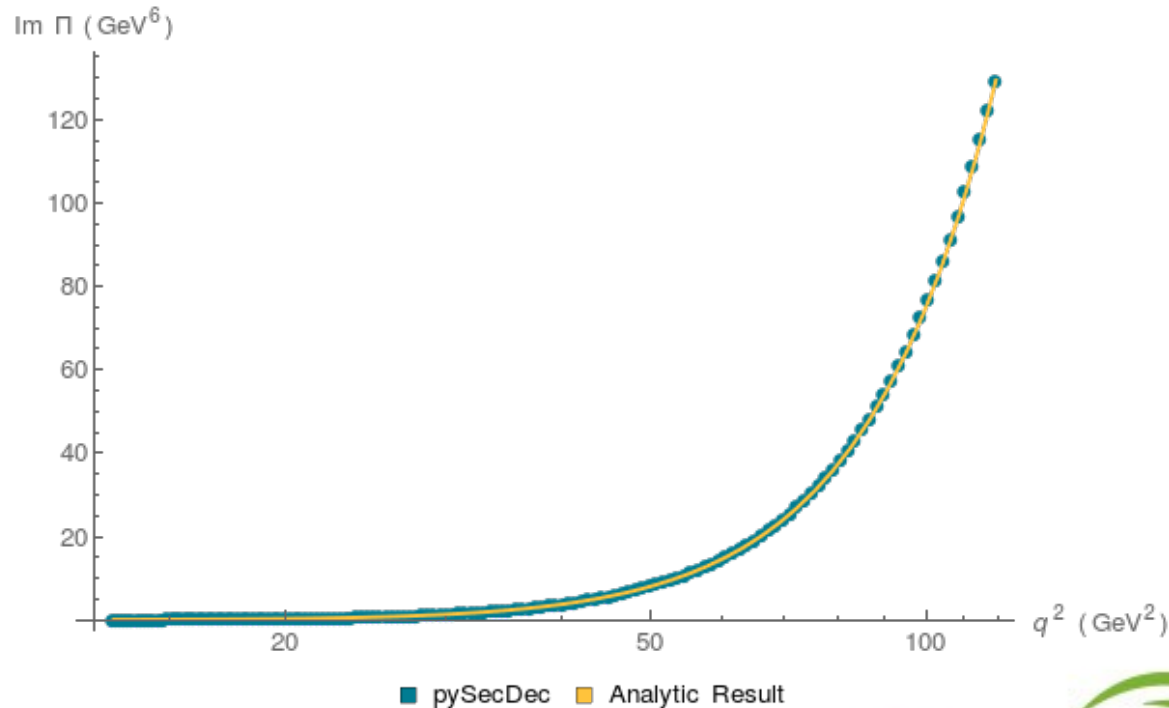
$$m_c(\mu) = \bar{m}_c \left(\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\alpha_s(\bar{m}_c)} \right)^{\frac{12}{25}} \quad \text{where } \bar{m}_c = (1.275 \pm 0.025) \text{ GeV}$$

$$\langle \alpha G^2 \rangle = (0.075 \pm 0.02) \text{ GeV}^4$$

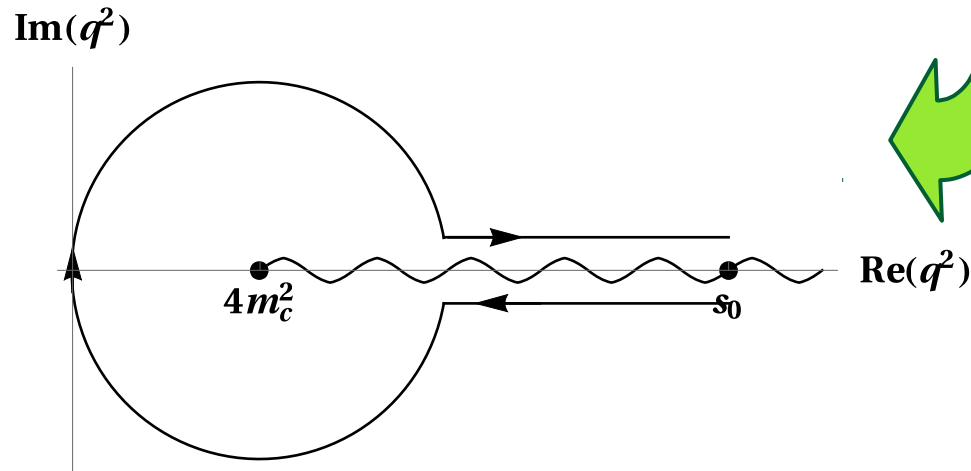
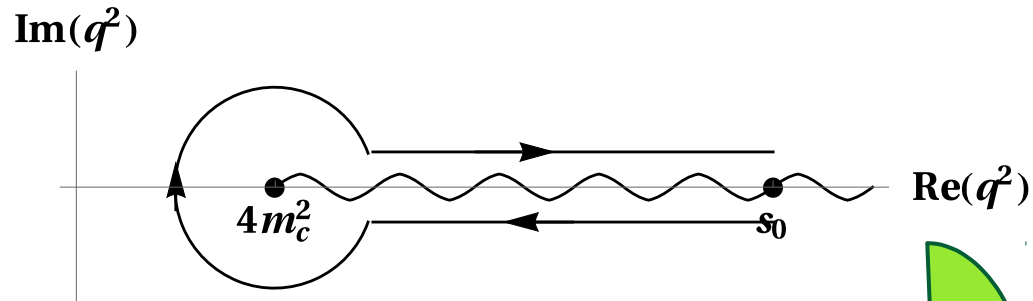
$$\langle g^3 G^3 \rangle = ((8.2 \pm 1.0) \text{ GeV}^2) \langle \alpha G^2 \rangle$$

For $\text{Im } \Pi$, the two computational methods are in excellent agreement.

Analytic and pySecDec computations of $\text{Im } \Pi$



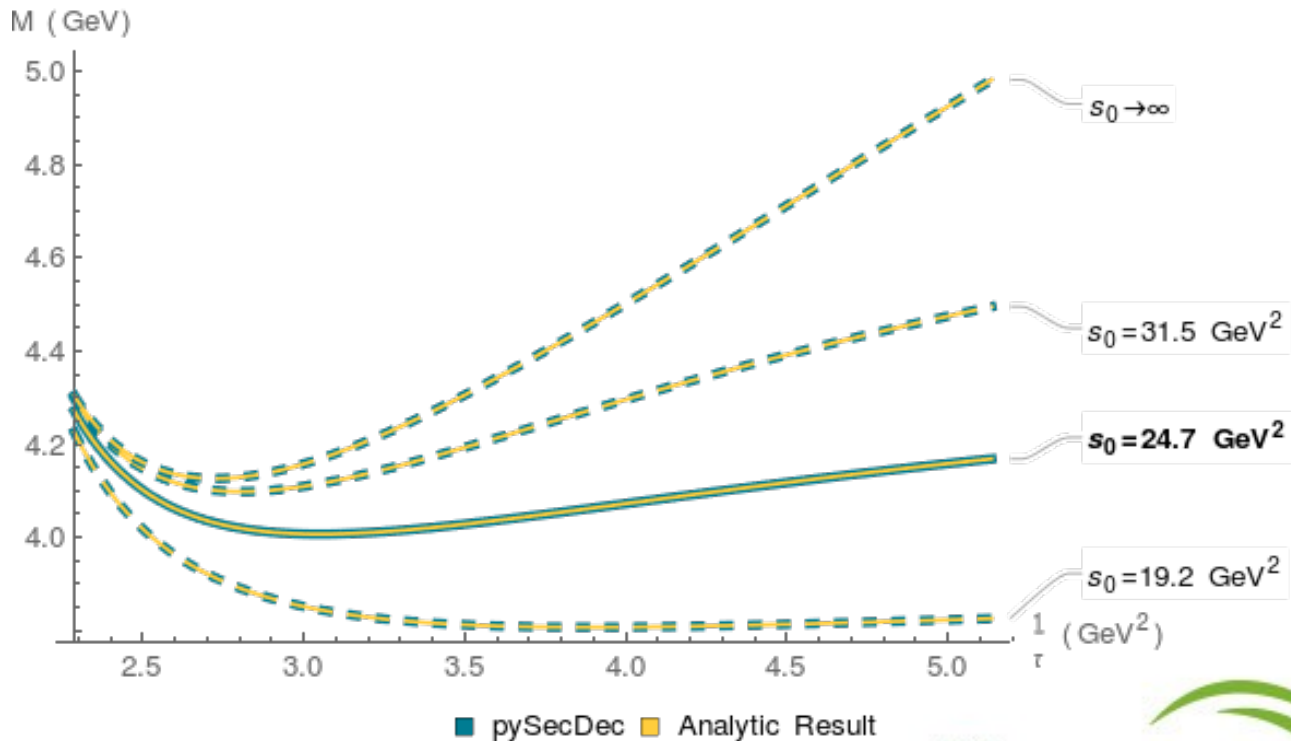
Divergences near the branch point are avoided by contour deformation.



Enlarge the keyhole.

For $M(\tau, s_0)$, the two computational methods are in excellent agreement.

Analytic and pySecDec Computations of $M(\tau, s_0)$



The s_0 to ∞ limit can be computed through adaptive step-sizing.

$$\int_{4m_c^2(1+\eta)}^{\infty} t^k e^{-t\tau} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi(t) dt \approx \sum_{n=0}^{144} t_n^k e^{-t_n\tau} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi(t_n) \Delta t_n$$

where

$$t_n = \eta + 4m_c^2(1.02^n)$$

$$\Delta t = t_{n+1} - t_n$$

s_0 to ∞ well-approximated by $s_0 = 120 \text{ GeV}^2$

finer grid for small t than for large t

Run-times needed to formulate QCD Laplace sum-rules were reasonable.

- Calculations were run on a laptop.
- Calculations were completed in a matter of hours (overnight?).

However, run-times did increase significantly with increased integrand “complexity.”

Computing Laplace sum-rules using pySecDec is convenient.

- Uncertainty due to pySecDec negligible compared to that from QCD parameters.
- Calculations can be run on a PC or laptop.
- Run-times measured in hours (not weeks!).
- In principle, we can consider higher loop diagrams, more external lines (i.e., 3-point functions), and hadrons containing both a charm and bottom quark.

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