

Mid term presentation for my thesis on the Higher-order contributions to the trilinear Higgs self-coupling in the SM and beyond

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1. Introduction

Problems with the Standard Model

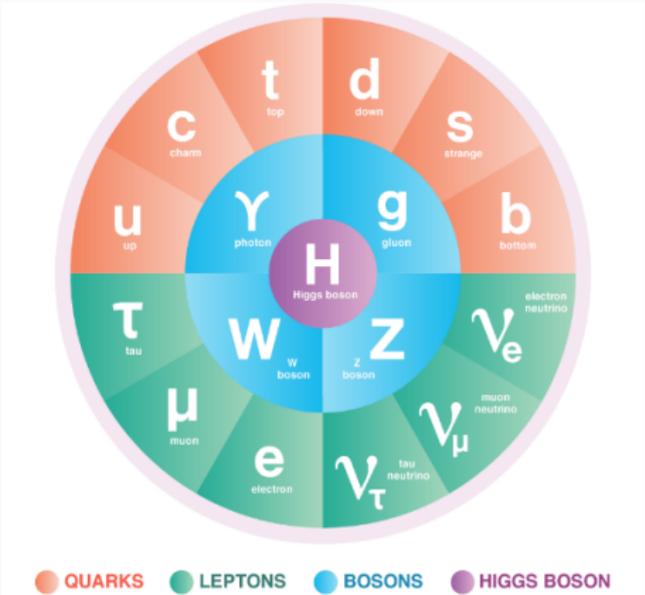


Figure 1: The Standard Model of particle physics.

Why Study the trilinear Higgs Coupling?

- **Vacuum Stability:** crucial for understanding the Higgs potential and vacuum stability in the Standard Model.
- **(S)FOEWPT:** Potentially relevant for explaining the baryon asymmetry of the universe (Nucleation, Thermal inequilibrium, Sphaleron).
- **Baryon Asymmetry:** The Standard Model does not provide a sufficient mechanism for the observed matter-antimatter asymmetry.

The Lagrangian of the Higgs Potential

- Consider the Lagrangian of the Higgs field $V(\phi)$ in the Standard Model, which can be expressed as:

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi + \mu^2 \phi^\dagger \phi - \frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 \quad (1)$$

where ϕ is the Higgs field, μ^2 is a parameter related to the Higgs mass, and λ is the self-coupling constant.

- The trilinear Higgs coupling arises from the interaction term $\frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2$

Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking

- In the SM, the Higgs field is initially written as

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

in terms of physical fields and Goldstones:

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} G^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v + H + iG^0) \end{pmatrix},$$

where v is the VEV, H is the physical Higgs field, and G^+ , G^0 are the Goldstone bosons.

- Substituting and disregarding the Goldstone terms, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} \supset &+ H^4 \left(-\frac{1}{16}\lambda \right) \\ &+ H^3 \left(\frac{v^3\lambda}{4} - \frac{v\mu^2}{2} \right) \\ &+ H^2 \left(\frac{v^2\lambda}{8} + \frac{\mu^2}{2} \right) \\ &+ H \left(-\frac{v^3\lambda}{4} + v\mu^2 \right) \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

- trilinear coupling (H^3), mass term (H^2) the tadpole term (H).

Deriving Input Variables From The Lagrangian

Let's identify.

- The coefficient of H in (subset) \mathcal{L} corresponds to t :

$$\frac{v^3\lambda}{4} - v\mu^2 = t \quad (3)$$

- The coefficient of H^2 in (subset) \mathcal{L} corresponds to $-\frac{1}{2}M_H^2$:

$$\frac{1}{8}(-3v^2\lambda + 4\mu^2) = -\frac{M_H^2}{2} \quad (4)$$

- **Solve the system of equations:**

Solving for λ and μ^2 , we find:

$$\left\{ \lambda \rightarrow \frac{2(t + M_H^2 v)}{v^3}, \mu^2 \rightarrow \frac{-3t - M_H^2 v}{2v} \right\} \quad (5)$$

Obtaining the countervertex

- **Substitute solutions into the Lagrangian:**

Substituting these into the Lagrangian, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{final}} \supset & + Ht \\ & - H^2 \frac{M_H^2}{2} \\ & - \frac{H^3}{2v^2} \left(\frac{t + M_H^2 v}{2} \right) \\ & - \frac{H^4}{8v^3} \left(\frac{t + M_H^2 v}{2} \right)\end{aligned}\tag{6}$$

- **(tree - level) Vertex Term:**

Equating $v = \frac{2M_W s_w}{e}$, the vertex term is identified by the coefficient of H^3 in \mathcal{L} :

$$\text{Vertex} = - \frac{e^2 H^3 \left(\frac{2M_H^2 M_W s_w}{e} + t \right)}{8M_W^2 s_w^2}\tag{7}$$

2. Derivation Of The Vertex And The Counterterm Expression

- **Substitute Shifts:**

To account for higher-order corrections, we introduce the following shifts into the vertex term:

$$\text{Vertex}_C = \text{Vertex} \left| \begin{array}{l} M_H^2 \rightarrow M_H^2 + \delta_{M_H^2}^1 + \delta_{M_H^2}^2 \\ M_W \rightarrow M_W + \delta_{M_W}^1 + \delta_{M_W}^2 \\ t \rightarrow t + \delta_t^1 + \delta_t^2 \\ e \rightarrow e(1 + \delta Z_e^1 + \delta Z_e^2) \\ s_w \rightarrow s_w(1 + \delta Z_{s_w}^1 + \delta Z_{s_w}^2) \\ H \rightarrow H \sqrt{1 + \delta Z_H^1 + \delta Z_H^2} \end{array} \right. \quad (8)$$

Counterterms and Self Energies

- We need to compute many counterterm expressions (for 2-loop: 12 in total)
Let us exemplify a first order calculation¹
We write down the Pole equation:

$$\mathcal{M}_i^2 - m_i^2 + \hat{\Sigma}_{ii}^{\text{eff}}(\mathcal{M}_i^2) = 0, \quad (9)$$

With \mathcal{M} being the Complex pole given by:

$$\mathcal{M}_i^2 = M_i^2 - iM_i\Gamma_i, \quad (10)$$

Expanding to first order around the real pole:

$$M_i^2 - m_i^2 + \text{Re}\hat{\Sigma}_{ii}^1(M_i^2) \stackrel{!}{=} 0. \quad (11)$$

Implementing the OS scheme:

$$M_i^2 = m_i^2, \quad (12)$$

Expressing the ren. SE through the bare SE and CTs:

$$\text{Re}\hat{\Sigma}_{ii}^1(M_i^2) = \text{Re}\Sigma_{ii}^1(M_i^2) - \delta^1 M_i^2 \quad (13)$$

To finally recover the mass counterterm (for instance with the Z-Boson):

$$\delta^1 M_Z^2 = \text{Re}\Sigma_{ZZ}^{T,1}(M_Z^2). \quad (14)$$

¹Of course, 2-loop counterterms are more involved. [2] and [3] discuss this in more detail.

Expanding the Vertex Term to first order

- We expand the shifted vertex term to the first loop order, substitute $t = 0$ and the equation for the counterterm of the W mass as given by:

$$\delta_{M_W}^1 \rightarrow \frac{\delta^1 M_W^2}{2M_W} \quad (15)$$

- **Vertex:**

The expression, as can be cross-checked in [1]:

$$C_0 + C_1 = -\frac{3e}{2s_w} \frac{M_H^2}{M_W} \left[1 + \delta Z_e - \frac{\delta s_w}{s_w} + \frac{\delta M_H^2}{M_H^2} + \frac{e}{2s_w} \frac{\delta t}{M_W M_H^2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta M_W^2}{M_W^2} + \frac{3}{2} \delta Z_H \right] \quad (16)$$

Results for first order

- Calculating every counterterm and inserting in (16) gives numerical contribution to lambda
- We express the deviance from the tree level with κ_λ :

$$\kappa_\lambda = \frac{C_0 + N_{\mathcal{O}(l)}}{C_0} \quad (17)$$

where C_0 is the tree-level vertex value and $N_{\mathcal{O}(l)}$ is the numerical contribution to the vertex up to order l

- For the top - and bottom contributions in the SM ($l = 1$) we have:

$$\kappa_{\lambda_{\text{SMtb}}} \approx 0.899124 \quad (18)$$

- For the full SM ($l = 1$) we have:

$$\kappa_{\lambda_{\text{SM}}} \approx 0.941966 \quad (19)$$

For both we used the input values given in the Particle Data Group.

Expanding the Vertex Term to the second order

• Our first result

$$\begin{aligned}
C_0 + C_1 + C_2 = & -\frac{2eM_H^2}{M_W s_w} \left(\left[\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{8M_H^2 M_W s_w} \left\{ M_H^2 (2M_W s_w \delta^1 Z_e + 3M_W s_w \delta^1 Z_H) \right. \right. \right. \\
& - M_W s_w \delta_{M_W^2}^1 - 2M_W \delta^1 s_w \\
& \left. \left. \left. + e\delta^1 t + 2M_W s_w \delta^1 M_H^2 \right\} \right] \frac{3}{32M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2} \left\{ 12M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2 \delta^1 Z_e \delta^1 Z_H \right. \right. \\
& + \frac{4M_W s_w \delta^1 M_H^2}{8M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2} \left(2M_W s_w \delta^1 Z_e + 3M_W s_w \delta^1 Z_H - M_W s_w \delta_{M_W^2}^1 - 2M_W \delta^1 s_w \right) \\
& + 2e\delta^1 t \left(M_W (4s_w \delta^1 Z_e + 3s_w \delta^1 Z_H - 4\delta^1 s_w) - 2M_W s_w \delta_{M_W^2}^1 \right) \\
& - 4M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2 \delta^1 Z_e \delta_{M_W^2}^1 + 8M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2 \delta^2 Z_e \\
& - 8M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w \delta^1 Z_e \delta^1 s_w + 4eM_W s_w \delta^2 t \\
& - 6M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2 \delta^1 Z_H \delta_{M_W^2}^1 + 3M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2 (\delta^1 Z_H)^2 \\
& + 12M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2 \delta^2 Z_H - 12M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w \delta^1 Z_H \delta^1 s_w \\
& + 2M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2 (\delta_{M_W^2}^1)^2 - 4M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w^2 \delta^2 M_W^2 \\
& + 4M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w \delta_{M_W^2}^1 \delta^1 s_w + 8M_W^2 s_w^2 \delta^2 M_H^2 \\
& \left. \left. \left. + 8M_H^2 M_W^2 (\delta^1 s_w)^2 - 8M_H^2 M_W^2 s_w \delta^2 s_w \right\} \right) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Subloop (CT) Diagrams

- We could potentially start with $\mathcal{O}(N_c^2)$ contributions
- Counterterms: Generate self energy amplitudes
- Focus on contributions from the top and bottom quarks.
- Restriction to $\mathcal{O}(N_c^2)$ contributions: only two-loop corrections involving CT insertions contribute.
- Present two key types of diagrams:
 - The first type involves a counterterm insertion at the vertex of external to internal particles
 - The second type includes a counterterm insertion at the propagator.

Subloop (CT) Diagrams

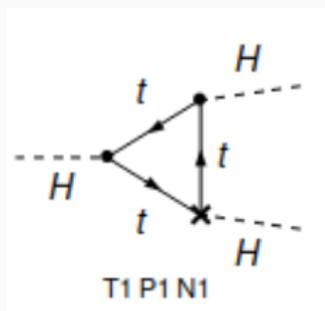


Figure 2: Feynarts diagram of the trilinear Higgs coupling with a subloop insertion at the vertex of f to H

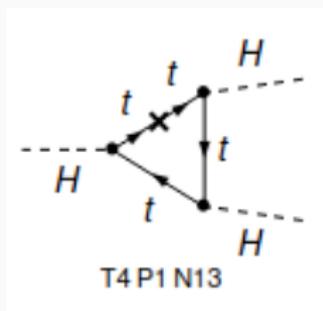


Figure 3: Feynarts diagram of the trilinear Higgs coupling with a subloop insertion at the propagator

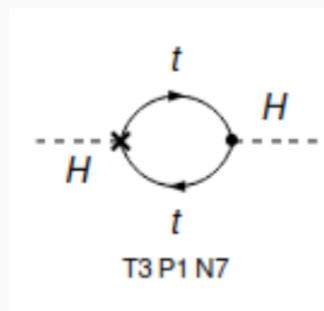


Figure 4: Feynarts diagram of a self-energy with a subloop insertion

3. Outlook

What is about to come

- **Analytic expressions:** Amplitudes of all relevant diagrams (even beyond $\mathcal{O}(N_c^2)$).
- **Counterterms:** Functions of self-energies, their derivatives, first-order counterterms.
- **Finiteness:** Eliminating $1/\epsilon^2$, $1/\epsilon$ terms, computing finite contributions.
- **Constraints:** Numerical contributions, accounting for constraints from unitarity, stability, electroweak precision observables...

4. Literature

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