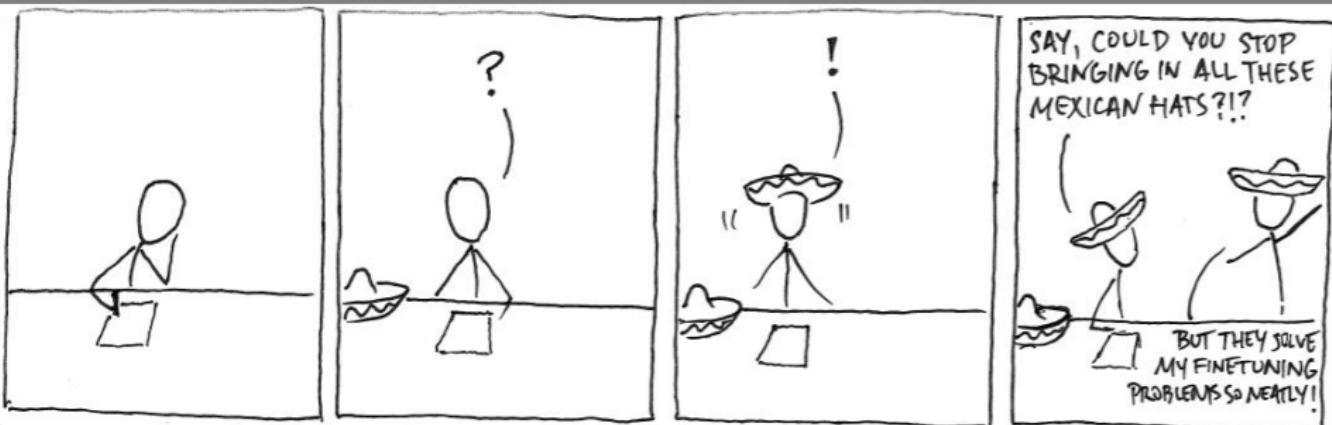


NMSSM Higgs boson self-interactions at NLO

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Outline:

1 Basics and motivation

2 Done so far

3 Outlook:

NMSSM - a short recap:

- MSSM scalar Higgs potential:

$$\begin{aligned} & |\mu|^2(|H_u|^2 + |H_d|^2) + \frac{g_1^2 + g_2^2}{8}(|H_u|^2 - |H_d|^2)^2 \\ & + m_{H_u}^2|H_u|^2 + m_{H_d}^2|H_d|^2 - \mu B(H_u^\top \epsilon H_d + c.c.) \end{aligned}$$

- Extended by adding S :

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda^2|S|^2(|H_u|^2 + |H_d|^2) + |\lambda(H_u^\top \epsilon H_d) + \kappa S^2|^2 \\ & + \frac{g_2^2}{2}|H_u^\dagger H_d|^2 + \frac{g_1^2 + g_2^2}{8}(|H_u|^2 - |H_d|^2)^2 \\ & + m_{H_u}^2|H_u|^2 + m_{H_d}^2|H_d|^2 + m_s^2|S|^2 + (\lambda A_\lambda(H_u^\top \epsilon H_d)S + \frac{\kappa}{3}A_\kappa S^3 + c.c.) \end{aligned}$$

Advantages:

- Solves the MSSM μ -Problem
- Less fine-tuning is required to satisfy exp. exclusion bounds
- Loosens theoretical Higgs mass constraints

$$(m_{h_1}^{\text{MSSM}})^2 < m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta \quad \text{vs.} \quad (m_{h_1}^{\text{NMSSM}})^2 < m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta + \frac{2\lambda^2 \sin^2 2\beta}{g_1^2 + g_2^2}$$

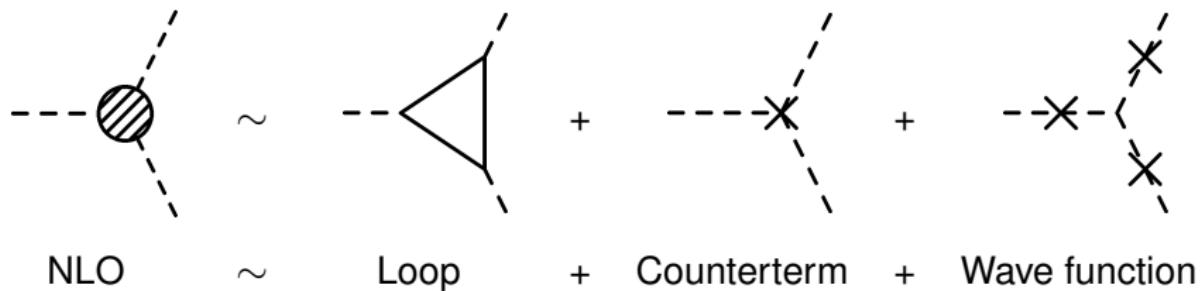
- Loosens LEP Higgs mass constraints due to possible $h_1 \rightarrow A_1 A_1$ decays (scenarios with $m_{A_1} < 2m_b, m_{h_1}/2$ are realizable in the NMSSM)

$$m_{h_1}^{\text{MSSM,exp}} > 92 \text{ GeV} \quad \text{vs.} \quad m_{h_1}^{\text{NMSSM,exp}} > 82 \text{ GeV}$$

My thesis:

- Scenarios allowing $h_1 \rightarrow A_1 A_1$ decays are of phenomenological interest
- Analysis of NLO corrections to similar Higgs selfcouplings in the MSSM yield large contributions
- Still, NLO corrections to the $h_1 A_1 A_1$ vertex have not yet been computed
- Good starting point for implementation of NLO contributions to the planned NMSSM-decay program (still looking for a catchy name!)

Vertex renormalization:



- Higgs bosons couple only to massive particles → no IR-divergences
- UV-divergent part of the truncated 1 loop amplitude canceled by counterterms and wave function contribution

Loop amplitude:

- Computation with FeynArts and FormCalc
- FeynArts NMSSM-Modelfile set up by Kathrin and crosschecked with Thorbens Feynman rules
- Best-case: given a Modelfile, FA&FC compute (the divergent part of) the loop amplitude in terms of scalar functions
- My case: expressions too long to process (2108 diagrams at particle level, products of up to 3 vertex functions)
- Solution: modified modelfile, numerical evaluation

Loop amplitude:

- Substitute Feynman rules in modelfile by generic functions with appropriate index structure
- Result: divergent part in terms of gen. functions with index sums
- As a cross check, this result is piped through 2 independent procedures for numerical evaluation
- Procedure 1: re-substitution → execute index sums → num. evaluation
- Procedure 2: execute index sums → num. evaluation with separately computed gen. function values

Counterterm:

- To exploit as many on-shell conditions as possible, potential parameters x_i replaced by:

$$x : m_{H_u}^2, m_{H_d}^2, m_s^2, g_1, g_2, v_u, v_d, A_\lambda, A_\kappa, \lambda, \kappa, v_s$$

$$\tilde{x} : t_{h_u}, t_{h_d}, t_{h_s}, e, M_W, M_Z, \tan \beta, M_{H^\pm}, A_\kappa, \lambda, \kappa, v_s$$

- $\Gamma(x_i) \rightarrow \Gamma(\tilde{x}_i)$
- $\delta\Gamma = \sum_i \frac{\partial\Gamma}{\partial\tilde{x}_i} \delta\tilde{x}_i$
- num. values of $\delta\tilde{x}_i$ already computed

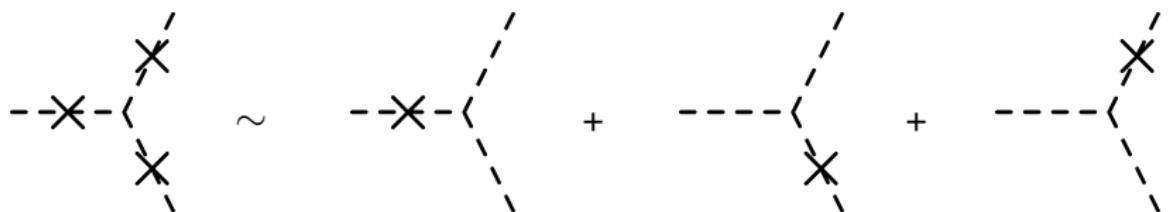
Wave function renormalization:

- Due to mixing in the Higgs sector, the wavefunction counterterms are no longer diagonal:

$$\delta\mathcal{Z}_{h_i h_j} = R_{i,k}^h R_{j,l}^h \delta Z_{k,l} \quad \delta\mathcal{Z}_{A_i A_j} = R_{i,k}^A R_{j,l}^A \delta Z_{k,l}$$

$$\text{with } \delta Z = \text{diag}(\delta Z_{h_d}, \delta Z_{h_u}, \delta Z_s)$$

- This leads to WFR contribution for the truncated vertex:



$$\text{WFR} = \frac{1}{2} (\delta\mathcal{Z}_{h_1 h_i} \Gamma_{i,1,1} + \delta\mathcal{Z}_{A_i A_1} \Gamma_{1,i,1} + \delta\mathcal{Z}_{A_i A_1} \Gamma_{1,1,i})$$

Current state and debugging:

- I have calculated all the above contributions
- Divergence cancellation not achieved so far
- Loop: -20.68867Δ vs. CT: 2.87465Δ for special fixed parameters
- Parameter scans for both loop evaluation procedures solved 2 minor bugs, results of these are now widely consistent
- Analysis of individual CT-contributions didn't reveal any potential bugs yet

What's next?

- Modify code for $h_1 A_2 A_2$ -Vertex in MSSM-like scenario and compare with known results
- Scan parameterspace
- When renormalization is achieved: discuss phenomenological impact
- Check results in different ren. schemes
- Generalize procedure for further vertices