

SMEFT at higher orders through geometry

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What are the building blocks?

We can define a Lagrangian that consists of fields. But fields can be redefined, while physical observables are unchanged.

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + c\phi^2 + \dots$$

We could start with on-shell scattering amplitudes; e.g., the non-factorizable part of the four-point amplitude between two gluons and two Higgs bosons [Shadmi,Weiss]

$$\mathcal{M}(g^{a+}(p_1)g^{b+}(p_2)hh) = \delta_{ab} \frac{[12]^2}{\Lambda^2} \left[a_1 + \frac{(s_{13} + s_{23})a_2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{s_{12}a_3}{\Lambda^2} + \dots \right]$$

What is a_1 ?

Geometric field space — and what it can do for you

Questions to answer:

- What is a geometric field space?
- What does it do?
- How does this help?

Geometric field space – scalars

Kinetic terms for the Higgs field

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= (D_\mu H)^\dagger (D^\mu H) \\ &\quad + C_{H\square} (H^\dagger H) \square (H^\dagger H) + C_{HD} (H^\dagger D_\mu H)^* (H^\dagger D^\mu H) + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{2} h_{IJ}(\phi) (D_\mu \phi)^I (D^\mu \phi)^J\end{aligned}$$

where $I, J = 1 \dots 4$ and

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2 + i\phi_1 \\ \phi_4 - i\phi_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Field redefinition

A scalar field redefinition is a coordinate change in field space

$$\begin{aligned}\phi^I &\rightarrow \varphi^I(\phi) \\ D_\mu \phi^I &\rightarrow \frac{\delta \varphi^I}{\delta \phi^J} D_\mu \phi^J \\ h_{IJ} &\rightarrow \frac{\delta \phi^K}{\delta \varphi^I} \frac{\delta \phi^L}{\delta \varphi^J} h_{KL}\end{aligned}$$

ϕ^I is the coordinate, $D_\mu \phi^I$ is a vector, h_{IJ} is a tensor (metric)

All-order form of metric

From Hilbert series counting, the number of new operators contributing to metrics saturates.

Scalar field space metric

$$h_{IJ} = \left[1 + \phi^2 C_{H\square}^{(6)} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\phi^2}{2} \right)^{n+2} \left(C_{HD}^{(8+2n)} - C_{H,D2}^{(8+2n)} \right) \right] \delta_{IJ}$$
$$+ \frac{\Gamma_{A,J}^I \phi_K \Gamma_{A,L}^K \phi^L}{2} \left(\frac{C_{HD}^{(6)}}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\phi^2}{2} \right)^{n+1} C_{H,D2}^{(8+2n)} \right)$$

From metric to curvature

We calculate the Christoffel symbol

$$\Gamma_{JK}^I = \frac{1}{2} h^{IL} (h_{LK,J} + h_{JL,K} - h_{JK,L})$$

and Riemann curvature

$$R_{IJKL} = h_{IM} \left(\Gamma_{LJ,K}^M - \Gamma_{KJ,L}^M + \Gamma_{KN}^M \Gamma_{LJ}^N - \Gamma_{LN}^M \Gamma_{KJ}^N \right)$$

Geometric field space – scalars

Scattering amplitude for 4 scalars

$$\mathcal{A}^{ijkl} = R^{ikjl}s_{34} + R^{ijkl}s_{24}$$

Scattering amplitude for 5 scalars

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}^{ijklm} = & \nabla^k R^{ilm}s_{45} + \nabla^l R^{ikjm}s_{35} + \nabla^l R^{ijkm}s_{25} \\ & + \nabla^m R^{ikjl}s_{34} + \nabla^m R^{ijkl}(s_{24} + s_{45})\end{aligned}$$

Fields vs. particles

The tetrad flattens the metric

$$g_{IJ}(v)e_i^I(v)e_j^J(v) = \delta_{ij}$$

Tetrad relates fields to states

$$\langle p^j | \phi^J(x) | 0 \rangle = e^{jJ}(v) e^{ip \cdot x}$$

Automatically takes into account canonical normalization and rotation to mass eigenstates

Geometric field space - gauge bosons

Let's combine the terms

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= -\frac{1}{4}W_{\mu\nu}^a W^{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}B_{\mu\nu}B^{\mu\nu} + C_{HB}(H^\dagger H)B_{\mu\nu}B^{\mu\nu} \\ &\quad + C_{HW}(H^\dagger H)W_{\mu\nu}^a W^{a\mu\nu} + C_{HWB}(H^\dagger \sigma^a H)W_{\mu\nu}^a B^{\mu\nu} + \dots \\ &= -\frac{1}{4}g_{AB}(H)W_{\mu\nu}^A W^{B\mu\nu}\end{aligned}$$

where $A, B = 1 \dots 4$ and $W_{\mu\nu}^4 = B_{\mu\nu}$.

$g_{AB}(H)$: gauge field space metric

All-order form of metrics

From Hilbert series counting, the number of new operators contributing to metrics saturates.

The gauge field space metric is given by

$$\begin{aligned} g_{AB}(\phi_I) = & \left[1 - 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(C_{HW}^{(6+2n)} (1 - \delta_{A4}) + C_{HB}^{(6+2n)} \delta_{A4} \right) \left(\frac{\phi^2}{2} \right)^{n+1} \right] \delta_{AB} \\ & - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_{HW,2}^{(8+2n)} \left(\frac{\phi^2}{2} \right)^n \left(\phi_I \Gamma_{A,J}^I \phi^J \right) \left(\phi_L \Gamma_{B,K}^L \phi^K \right) (1 - \delta_{A4})(1 - \delta_{B4}) \\ & + \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_{HWB}^{(6+2n)} \left(\frac{\phi^2}{2} \right)^n \right] \left[(\phi_I \Gamma_{A,J}^I \phi^J) (1 - \delta_{A4}) \delta_{B4} + (A \leftrightarrow B) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Geometric field space – mass-eigenstate basis

$$W_\mu^A = e_c^A \mathcal{A}_\mu^c, \quad e_c^A e_d^B \delta^{cd} = g^{AB}, \quad e_c^A = \sqrt{g^{AB}} \delta^{Bb} U_{bc}$$

$$U_{bc} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{-i}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos(\bar{\theta}) & \sin(\bar{\theta}) \\ 0 & 0 & -\sin(\bar{\theta}) & \cos(\bar{\theta}) \end{pmatrix}$$

W_μ^A : weak eigenstate

\mathcal{A}_μ^a : mass eigenstate

$\sqrt{g^{AB}}$: matrix square root + vacuum expectation value

Geometric definition of Lagrangian parameters

Consistency dictates that

$$s_{\theta_Z}^2 = \frac{g_1 (\sqrt{g}^{44} s_{\bar{\theta}} - \sqrt{g}^{34} c_{\bar{\theta}})}{g_2 (\sqrt{g}^{33} c_{\bar{\theta}} - \sqrt{g}^{34} s_{\bar{\theta}}) + g_1 (\sqrt{g}^{44} s_{\bar{\theta}} - \sqrt{g}^{34} c_{\bar{\theta}})}$$
$$s_{\bar{\theta}}^2 = \frac{(g_1 \sqrt{g}^{44} - g_2 \sqrt{g}^{34})^2}{g_1^2 [g^{34} + g^{44}] + g_2^2 [g^{33} + g^{34}] - 2g_1 g_2 \sqrt{g}^{34} (\sqrt{g}^{33} + \sqrt{g}^{44})}$$

$$\bar{g}_2 = g_2 \sqrt{g}^{11}$$

$$\bar{g}_Z = \frac{g_2}{c_{\theta_Z}^2} (c_{\bar{\theta}} \sqrt{g}^{33} - s_{\bar{\theta}} \sqrt{g}^{34})$$

$$\bar{e} = g_2 (s_{\bar{\theta}} \sqrt{g}^{33} + c_{\bar{\theta}} \sqrt{g}^{34})$$

$$\bar{M}_W^2 = \frac{\bar{g}_2^2}{4} \sqrt{h_{11}^{-2} v_T^2}$$

$$\bar{M}_Z^2 = \frac{\bar{g}_Z^2}{4} \sqrt{h_{33}^{-2} v_T^2}$$

$$\bar{M}_A^2 = 0$$

On-shell amplitudes – photons and Higgs boson

Consider the amplitude for Higgs decay to 2 photons.

$$\mathcal{M}(\gamma^+(p_1)\gamma^+(p_2)h) = \frac{[12]^2}{\Lambda^2} b_1$$

Dropping the CP odd operators, the coefficient b_1 is related to the gauge field metric

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{2} \nabla_{i=h} g_{a=\gamma, b=\gamma} = \# \sqrt{h}^{44} \left[\langle \frac{\delta g_{33}(\phi)}{\delta \phi_4} \rangle \frac{\bar{e}^2}{g_2^2} + 2 \langle \frac{\delta g_{34}(\phi)}{\delta \phi_4} \rangle \frac{\bar{e}^2}{g_1 g_2} + \langle \frac{\delta g_{44}(\phi)}{\delta \phi_4} \rangle \frac{\bar{e}^2}{g_1^2} \right]$$

Partial width for Z decay

The partial width for Z going to two fermions of the same chirality is

$$\Gamma_{Z \rightarrow \bar{\psi}\psi} = \sum_{\psi} \frac{N_c^{\psi}}{24\pi} \sqrt{\bar{m}_Z^2} |g_{\text{eff}}^{Z,\psi}|^2 \left(1 - \frac{4\bar{m}_{\psi}^2}{\bar{m}_Z^2}\right)^{3/2}$$

where

$$g_{\text{eff}}^{Z,\psi} = \frac{\bar{g}_Z}{2} \left[(2s_{\theta_Z} Q_{\psi} - \sigma_3) \delta_{pr} + \bar{\nu}_T \langle L_{3,4}^{\psi,pr} \rangle + \sigma_3 \bar{\nu}_T \langle L_{3,3}^{\psi,pr} \rangle \right]$$

Partial width for Z decay

The field space connection is

$$L_{J,A}^{\psi,pr}(\phi)(D^\mu\phi)^J(\bar{\psi}_p\gamma_\mu\sigma_A\psi_r)$$

which takes the all-order form

$$\begin{aligned} L_{J,A}^{\psi,pr} = & -(\phi\gamma_4)_J\delta_{A4}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}C_{H\psi_{pr}}^{1,(6+2n)}\left(\frac{\phi^2}{2}\right)^n - (\phi\gamma_A)_J(1-\delta_{A4})\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}C_{H\psi_L}_{pr}^{3,(6+2n)}\left(\frac{\phi^2}{2}\right)^n \\ & + \frac{1}{2}(\phi\gamma_4)_J(1-\delta_{A4})(\phi_K\Gamma_{A,L}^K\phi^L)\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}C_{H\psi_L}_{pr}^{2,(8+2n)}\left(\frac{\phi^2}{2}\right)^n \\ & + \frac{\epsilon_{BC}^A}{2}(\phi\gamma_B)(\phi_K\Gamma_{C,L}^K\phi^L)\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}C_{H\psi_L}_{pr}^{\epsilon,(8+2n)}\left(\frac{\phi^2}{2}\right)^n \end{aligned}$$

Expand to $\mathcal{O}(v^4/\Lambda^4)$

Issue: only results for dimension-6. Should we include $(\text{dimension-6})^2$ in the decay rates/cross sections?

Expand to $\mathcal{O}(\nu^4/\Lambda^4)$

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We can now answer this question by comparing! Expanding g_{eff}

$$\langle g_{\text{SM,pp}}^{\mathcal{Z},u_L} \rangle = -0.26,$$

$$\langle g_{\text{eff,pp}}^{\mathcal{Z},u_L} \rangle_{\mathcal{O}(\nu^2/\Lambda^2)} = -0.13 \tilde{C}_{HD}^{(6)} - 0.21 \tilde{C}_{HWB}^{(6)} + 0.18 \delta G_F^{(6)} + 0.37 (\tilde{C}_{Hq}^{(6)} - \tilde{C}_{Hq}^{3,(6)}),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle g_{\text{eff,pp}}^{\mathcal{Z},u_L} \rangle_{\mathcal{O}(\nu^4/\Lambda^4)} &= - \left(\frac{\tilde{C}_{HD}^{(6)}}{4} + \frac{\delta G_F^{(6)}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \langle g_{\text{eff,pp}}^{\mathcal{Z},u_L} \rangle_{\mathcal{O}(\nu^2/\Lambda^2)} \\ &\quad + \tilde{C}_{HWB}^{(6)} \left(0.13 \tilde{C}_{HD}^{(6)} - 0.21 (\tilde{C}_{HB}^{(6)} + \tilde{C}_{HW}^{(6)}) \right) \\ &\quad - 0.01 (\tilde{C}_{HD}^{(6)})^2 + 0.05 \tilde{C}_{HD}^{(6)} \delta G_F^{(6)} + 0.03 \tilde{C}_{HD}^{(8)} - 0.16 \tilde{C}_{H,D2}^{(8)} - 0.10 \tilde{C}_{HWB}^{(8)} \\ &\quad - 0.38 \tilde{C}_{HW,2}^{(8)} - \frac{0.37}{2} (\tilde{C}_{Hq}^{2,(8)} + \tilde{C}_{Hq}^{3,(8)} - \tilde{C}_{Hq}^{(8)}) - 0.07 (\delta G_F^{(6)})^2 + 0.18 \delta G_F^{(8)} \end{aligned}$$

Summary

The geometric Standard Model Effective Field Theory is useful:

- field redefinitions are coordinate changes
- define all-order field space connections
- relate Lagrangian parameters to field space metrics
- relate input parameters to field space metrics
- gauge fixing and simple Ward identities
- coefficients of on-shell amplitudes
- simplifies calculations
- relevant for phenomenology

Thank you!

Standard Model Effective Field Theory (SM EFT)

SM EFT is an *effective field theory* based on SM field content and symmetries:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{L}^{(5)} + \mathcal{L}^{(6)} + \mathcal{L}^{(7)} + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(d)} = \sum_i \frac{C_i^{(d)}}{\Lambda^{d-4}} Q_i^{(d)}, \quad d > 4$$

$C_i^{(d)}$: Wilson coefficient

$Q_i^{(d)}$: Effective operator

On-shell amplitudes – gluons and Higgs bosons

Let's again look at the non-factorizable part of the four-point amplitude between two gluons and two Higgs bosons [Shadmi, Weiss]

$$\mathcal{M}(g^{a+}(p_1)g^{b+}(p_2)hh) = \delta_{ab} \frac{[12]^2}{\Lambda^2} \left[a_1 + \frac{(s_{13} + s_{23})a_2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{s_{12}a_3}{\Lambda^2} + \dots \right]$$

The relevant field space connections for the first term are

$$k_{ab}(\phi) G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} \quad \tilde{k}_{ab}(\phi) G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{b\mu\nu}$$

On-shell amplitudes – gluons and Higgs bosons

The all-order form of the field space connections are

$$k_{ab}(\phi) = \left(1 - 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_{HG}^{(6+2n)} \left(\frac{\phi^2}{2} \right)^n \right) \delta_{ab}$$
$$\tilde{k}_{ab}(\phi) = \left(1 - 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \tilde{C}_{HG}^{(6+2n)} \left(\frac{\phi^2}{2} \right)^n \right) \delta_{ab}$$

The coefficient of the on-shell amplitude can be expressed in terms of the field space connections:

$$a_1 = \# \left(\sqrt{h^{44}} \right)^2 \left\langle \frac{\delta^2 k_{ab}(\phi)}{\delta \phi_4 \delta \phi_4} \right\rangle + \# \left(\sqrt{h^{44}} \right)^2 \left\langle \frac{\delta^2 \tilde{k}_{ab}(\phi)}{\delta \phi_4 \delta \phi_4} \right\rangle$$

Generalization to other connections

CP even electroweak bosonic two- and three-point connections

$$V(\phi), \quad h_{IJ}(\phi)(D_\mu\phi)^I(D_\mu\phi)^J, \quad g_{AB}(\phi)W_{\mu\nu}^A W^{B,\mu\nu},$$
$$k_{IJ}^A(\phi)(D_\mu\phi)^I(D_\nu\phi)^J W_A^{\mu\nu}, \quad f_{ABC}(\phi)W_{\mu\nu}^A W^{B,\nu\rho} W_\rho^{C,\mu}.$$

Connections with fermions

$$Y(\phi)\bar{\psi}_1\psi_2, \quad L_{I,A}(\phi)\bar{\psi}_1\gamma^\mu\sigma_A\psi_2(D_\mu\phi)^I, \quad d_A(\phi)\bar{\psi}_1\sigma^{\mu\nu}\psi_2 W_{\mu\nu}^A.$$

Small set of connections!

Hilbert series counting for connections

The number of operators saturates!

Field space connection	6	8	10	12	14
$h_{IJ}(\phi)(D_\mu\phi)^I(D^\mu\phi)^J$	2	2	2	2	2
$g_{AB}(\phi)\mathcal{W}_{\mu\nu}^A\mathcal{W}^{B,\mu\nu}$	3	4	4	4	4
$k_{IJA}(\phi)(D^\mu\phi)^I(D^\nu\phi)^J\mathcal{W}_{\mu\nu}^A$	0	3	4	4	4
$f_{ABC}(\phi)\mathcal{W}_{\mu\nu}^A\mathcal{W}^{B,\nu\rho}\mathcal{W}_\rho^{C,\mu}$	1	2	2	2	2
$Y_{pr}^u(\phi)\bar{Q}u + \text{h.c.}$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$
$Y_{pr}^d(\phi)\bar{Q}d + \text{h.c.}$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$
$Y_{pr}^e(\phi)\bar{L}e + \text{h.c.}$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$	$2N_f^2$
$d_A^{e,pr}(\phi)\bar{L}\sigma_{\mu\nu}e\mathcal{W}_A^{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}$	$4N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$
$d_A^{u,pr}(\phi)\bar{Q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}u\mathcal{W}_A^{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}$	$4N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$
$d_A^{d,pr}(\phi)\bar{Q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}d\mathcal{W}_A^{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}$	$4N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$	$6N_f^2$
$L_{pr,A}^{\psi_R}(\phi)(D^\mu\phi)^J(\bar{\psi}_{p,R}\gamma_\mu\sigma_A\psi_{r,R})$	N_f^2	N_f^2	N_f^2	N_f^2	N_f^2
$L_{pr,A}^{\psi_L}(\phi)(D^\mu\phi)^J(\bar{\psi}_{p,L}\gamma_\mu\sigma_A\psi_{r,L})$	$2N_f^2$	$4N_f^2$	$4N_f^2$	$4N_f^2$	$4N_f^2$

Real representation of the scalar field

We use the real representation

$$\gamma_{1,J}^I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \gamma_{2,J}^I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\gamma_{3,J}^I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \gamma_{4,J}^I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We have that

$$[\gamma_a, \gamma_b] = 2\epsilon_{ab}^c \gamma_c, \quad \Gamma_{A,K}^I = \gamma_{A,J}^I \gamma_{4,K}^J$$

$$[\gamma_a, \gamma_4] = 0,$$

Mass eigenstate generators

$$\gamma_{C,J}^I = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\gamma}_{A,J}^I \sqrt{g^{AB}} U_{BC}$$

$$\gamma_{1,J}^I = \frac{\bar{g}_2}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & i & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -i \\ -i & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & i & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \gamma_{2,J}^I = \frac{\bar{g}_2}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & i \\ i & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -i & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\gamma_{3,J}^I = \frac{\bar{g}_Z}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -(c_{\theta_Z}^2 - s_{\theta_Z}^2) & 0 & 0 \\ (c_{\theta_Z}^2 - s_{\theta_Z}^2) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \gamma_{4,J}^I = \bar{e} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$