

Oblique corrections, when $m_W \neq \cos \theta_W m_Z$

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- Electroweak sector in the SM is highly predictive:
 - given 3 measured input values e.g. (G_F, α, m_Z) , SM predicts all the rest of the electroweak observables (Z decays, $\sin \theta_W^{\text{effective}}$, ρ_* , LR, FB asymmetries....)
- Consider Beyond Standard model (BSM), with these assumptions
 - Only $SU(2) \times U(1)$ gauge fields (only the SM-like)
 - Tree level relation $m_W = \cos \theta_W m_Z$ holds
- **Oblique** parameters, $S, T, U \in \mathbb{R}$, parameterize the difference between the SM prediction for the observable O_{SM} and the BSM prediction O_{BSM} [Peskin 1992]:

$$O_{BSM} = O_{SM} (1 + a_1 S + a_2 T + a_3 U),$$

where coefficients $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$ are calculated for each observable.

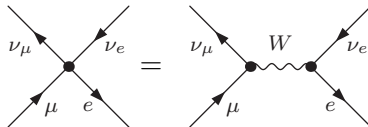
- Weinberg angle

$$s \equiv \sin \theta_W, \quad c \equiv \cos \theta_W$$

$$A_\mu = cB_\mu + sW_\mu^3, \quad Z_\mu = cW_\mu^3 - sB_\mu$$

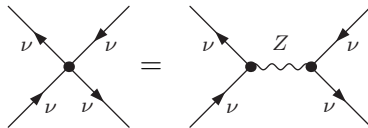
- We will label all **tree-level** parameters with **hats**.
- Fermi constant can be measured from $\mu \rightarrow e\nu\nu$ decay:

$$\widehat{G}_{F(\text{charged})} = \frac{\sqrt{2}\widehat{e}^2}{8\widehat{s}^2\widehat{m}_W^2}$$

 \Leftrightarrow


- Analogously (in principle), $\nu\nu \rightarrow \nu\nu$:

$$\widehat{G}_{F(\text{neutral})} = \frac{\sqrt{2}\widehat{e}^2}{8\widehat{s}^2\widehat{c}^2\widehat{m}_Z^2}$$

 \Leftrightarrow


- Veltmann ρ parameter at tree-level:

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\hat{G}_{F(\text{neutral})}}{\hat{G}_{F(\text{charged})}} = \frac{\hat{m}_W^2}{\hat{c}^2 \hat{m}_Z^2}$$

- SM scalar potential has **custodial** $SU(2)$ symmetry, which implies $\hat{\rho} = 1$.
- Veltmann ρ gets corrections at higher orders:

$$\rho \equiv \frac{m_W^2}{c^2 m_Z^2} = \hat{\rho} (1 + \text{loops}),$$

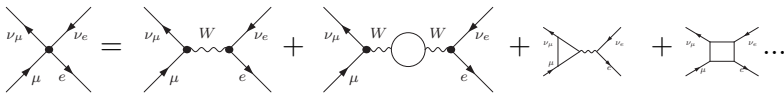
- Define "rho-star" parameter

$$\rho_* \equiv \frac{G_{F(\text{neutral})}}{G_{F(\text{charged})}} = \hat{\rho} (1 + (\text{other}) \text{ loops})$$

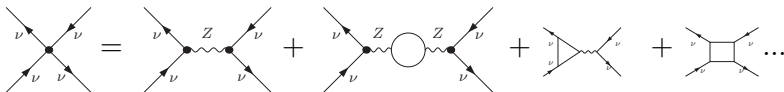
- In general $\rho \neq \rho_*$.
- ρ definition depends on which 3 EW observables one takes as an input.
- Both equations are **predictions**, when $\hat{\rho} = 1$.

- At one-loop Fermi constant gets both "oblique" (i.e. via gauge boson propagator only) corrections, and "direct" (via triangle and box diagrams):

$$G_{F(\text{charged})} = \widehat{G}_{F(\text{charged})} \left(1 - \frac{\Pi_{WW}(0)}{m_W^2} + \Delta + \square \right)$$



$$G_{F(\text{neutral})} = \widehat{G}_{F(\text{neutral})} \left(1 - \frac{\Pi_{ZZ}(0)}{m_Z^2} + \Delta + \square \right),$$



$\Delta + \square$ are triangle and box diagrams (direct corrections). They will be neglected in the end.

- Use the corrected G_F expressions:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_* &= \frac{G_{F(\text{neutral})}}{G_{F(\text{charged})}} = \frac{\widehat{G}_{F(\text{neutral})} \left(1 - \frac{\Pi_{ZZ}(0)}{m_Z^2} + \Delta + \square \right)}{\widehat{G}_{F(\text{charged})} \left(1 - \frac{\Pi_{WW}(0)}{m_W^2} + \Delta + \square \right)} \\ &= \widehat{\rho} \left(1 + \frac{\Pi_{WW}(0)}{m_W^2} - \frac{\Pi_{ZZ}(0)}{m_Z^2} + O(2 \text{ loops}) + \Delta + \square \right)\end{aligned}$$

- In SM $\widehat{\rho} = 1$, then $(\rho_*)_{SM}$ is calculated as **prediction** from (G_F, α, m_Z) and **finite** loop corrections
- When $\widehat{\rho}$ is a free parameter, ρ_* is **not** predicted from (G_F, α, m_Z) , since ρ_* depends on $\widehat{\rho}$
 - ⇒ loop corrections are **not** finite
 - ⇒ one needs additional input parameter to fix $\widehat{\rho}$ (i.e. renormalize ρ parameter).

$$\rho_* = \hat{\rho} \left(1 + \frac{\Pi_{WW}(0)}{m_W^2} - \frac{\Pi_{ZZ}(0)}{m_Z^2} + \Delta + \square \right) \quad (1)$$

- Consider that we have two predictions: SM prediction $(\rho_*)_{SM}$ and BSM prediction $(\rho_*)_{BSM}$.
- If BSM has custodial symmetry, $\hat{\rho} = 1$, both $(\rho_*)_{SM}$ and $(\rho_*)_{BSM}$ can be calculated from (1).
- Divide one from the other, neglect $\Delta + \square$ (BSM contribution is small [Kennedy&Lynn1989, Peskin1992]) and $O(2 \text{ loops})$:

$$\frac{(\rho_*)_{BSM}}{(\rho_*)_{SM}} = \underbrace{\frac{\hat{\rho}_{BSM}}{\hat{\rho}_{SM}}}_{=1} \left(1 + \frac{\Pi_{WW}^{new}(0)}{m_W^2} - \frac{\Pi_{ZZ}^{new}(0)}{m_Z^2} \right) \equiv 1 + \alpha T,$$

in which $\Pi^{new} = \Pi^{BSM} - \Pi^{SM}$, i.e. **only** BSM contribution to self-energies

- T is **oblique** parameter.

- Most often used definitions for oblique parameters ($\tilde{\Pi}(m^2) \equiv \frac{\Pi(m^2) - \Pi(0)}{m^2}$):

$$S = \frac{4s^2c^2}{\alpha} \left[\tilde{\Pi}_{ZZ}(m_Z^2) + \frac{s^2 - c^2}{sc} \Pi'_{ZA}(0) - \Pi'_{AA}(0) \right],$$

$$T = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left[\frac{\Pi_{WW}(0)}{m_W^2} - \frac{\Pi_{ZZ}(0)}{m_Z^2} \right],$$

$$U = \frac{4s^2}{\alpha} \left[\tilde{\Pi}_{WW}(m_W^2) - c^2 \tilde{\Pi}_{ZZ}(m_Z^2) - 2sc \Pi'_{ZA}(0) - s^2 \Pi'_{AA}(0) \right].$$

- In the same way we can derive oblique corrections for $\rho = \frac{m_W^2}{c^2 m_Z^2}$.
- When $\hat{\rho} = 1$, we choose input: $\left(G_{F(\text{charged})}, \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}, m_W \right)$
- Then "observed" c^2 is expressed in terms of input by promoting tree-level expression at all loops:

$$\hat{G}_{F(\text{charged})} = \frac{\sqrt{2}\hat{e}^2}{8\hat{s}^2\hat{m}_W^2} \longrightarrow 1 - c^2 \equiv \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_{F(\text{charged})}m_W^2}$$

- We can also choose $\left(G_{F(\text{charged})}, \alpha, m_Z \right)$ [Peskin1992], then (using $\hat{m}_W = \hat{c}\hat{m}_Z!$) we define:

$$\hat{G}_{F(\text{charged})} = \frac{\sqrt{2}\hat{e}^2}{8\hat{s}^2\hat{c}^2\hat{m}_Z^2} \longrightarrow \bar{c}^2 (1 - \bar{c}^2) \equiv \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_{F(\text{charged})}m_Z^2}$$

- c and \bar{c} differs at one-loop by definition and thus ρ is different from $\bar{\rho}$!

- Let us calculate $\rho = \frac{m_W^2}{c^2 m_Z^2}$ (T^{full} , means all oblique corrections of a model).

$$\rho = \frac{m_W^2}{c^2 m_Z^2} = \frac{\hat{m}_W^2 + \delta m_W^2}{(\hat{c}^2 + \delta c^2)(\hat{m}_Z + \delta m_Z^2)} = \hat{\rho} \left(1 + \alpha T^{\text{full}} - \alpha K^{\text{full}} + \Delta + \square \right)$$

$$\bar{\rho} = \frac{m_W^2}{c^2 m_Z^2} = \frac{\hat{m}_W^2 + \delta m_W^2}{(\hat{c}^2 + \delta \bar{c}^2)(\hat{m}_Z + \delta m_Z^2)} = \hat{\rho} \left(1 + \frac{\bar{c}^2}{\bar{c}^2 - \bar{s}^2} [\alpha T^{\text{full}} - \alpha K^{\text{full}}] + \dots \right)$$

$$K \equiv \frac{1}{2c^2} S + \frac{s^2 - c^2}{4s^2 c^2} U$$

- SM vs. BSM predictions (when $\hat{\rho} = 1$):

$$\rho_{BSM} = \rho_{SM} (1 + \alpha T - \alpha K), \quad \text{when input is } (G_{F(\text{charged})}, \alpha, m_W)$$

$$\bar{\rho}_{BSM} = \bar{\rho}_{SM} \left(1 + \frac{\bar{c}^2}{\bar{c}^2 - \bar{s}^2} [\alpha T - \alpha K] \right), \quad \text{when input is } (G_{F(\text{charged})}, \alpha, m_Z)$$

when $\hat{\rho} \neq 1$

- Consider we have a **base model** BM with a more complex scalar potential giving unfixed $\hat{\rho} \neq 1$, and some **beyond base model** BBM (also with $\hat{\rho} \neq 1$).
- Then

$$\hat{G}_{F(\text{charged})} = \frac{\sqrt{2}\hat{e}^2}{8\hat{s}^2\hat{m}_W^2} \neq \frac{\sqrt{2}\hat{e}^2}{8\hat{s}^2\hat{c}^2\hat{m}_Z^2} = \hat{G}_{F(\text{neutral})}$$

and so (Peskin used, when $\hat{\rho} = 1$) $\bar{\rho}$, \bar{c} definitions cannot be used!

- Equation

$$\rho = \hat{\rho} \left(1 + \alpha T^{\text{full}} - \alpha K^{\text{full}} + \Delta + \square \right)$$

not a prediction neither in BM nor BBM, when $\hat{\rho} \neq 1 \Rightarrow$ need additional input.

- input $(G_{F(\text{charged})}, \alpha, m_W, m_Z)$ gives by definition:

$$\frac{m_W^2}{c^2 m_Z^2} = \frac{m_W^2}{\left[1 - \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_{F(\text{charged})}m_W^2} \right] m_Z^2} = \rho_{BM} = \rho_{BBM} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\hat{\rho}_{BBM}}{\hat{\rho}_{BM}} = (1 - \alpha T + \alpha K)$$

- Previously we derived

$$\frac{(\rho_*)_{BSM}}{(\rho_*)_{SM}} = \frac{\hat{\rho}_{BSM}}{\hat{\rho}_{SM}} (1 + \alpha T) = (1 + \alpha T)$$

since $\hat{\rho}_{BSM} = \hat{\rho}_{SM} = 1$.

- Using the first equation, and $BSM \rightarrow BBM$ or $BM \rightarrow SM$, plug $\frac{\hat{\rho}_{BBM}}{\hat{\rho}_{BM}} = (1 - \alpha T + \alpha K)$ we get:

$$\frac{(\rho_*)_{BBM}}{(\rho_*)_{BM}} = (1 + \alpha K)$$

Result: when $\hat{\rho} \neq 1$, we use as input $(G_{F(\text{charged})}, \alpha, m_W, m_Z)$ in both BM and BBM, then we can use same expressions as SM/BSM [Peskin1992, Maksymyk1994] with a substitution:

$$T \rightarrow K = \frac{1}{2c^2} S + \frac{s^2 - c^2}{4s^2 c^2} U$$

- One needs different number of input parameters (4 and 3).
- Since $m_W^{SM} \neq m_W^{BBM}$ gauge sector does not cancel in the same way, i.e.:

$$\square^{BBM} + \triangle^{BBM} - \square^{SM} - \triangle^{SM} = \text{Gauge dependent} \Leftrightarrow \Pi^{BBM} - \Pi^{SM} = \text{Gauge dependent}$$

\Rightarrow oblique parameters are gauge dependent

tested for S, U parameters in triplet extensions of SM.

- checks of [\[Kennedy&Lynn1989\]](#) which shows $\square + \triangle$ being negligible does not apply.

- When $\hat{\rho} = 1$ in both SM and BSM, well known expressions exist with input $(G_{F(charged)}, \alpha, m_Z)$ [Peskin 1992]:

$$O_{BSM} = O_{SM} (1 + a_1 S + a_2 T + a_3 U)$$

- When $\hat{\rho} \neq 1$ in two models (BM and BBM), we can compare their predictions with the same equations with a substitution $T \rightarrow K$ and input parameters $(G_{F(charged)}, \alpha, m_Z, m_W)$

$$O_{BBM} = O_{BM} \left(1 + a_1 S + a_2 \left[\frac{1}{2c^2} S + \frac{s^2 - c^2}{4s^2 c^2} U \right] + a_3 U \right),$$

- Not yet clear: how to compare SM ($\hat{\rho} = 1$) with BBM ($\hat{\rho} \neq 1$):
 \Rightarrow I would be careful, interpreting studies of ($\hat{\rho} \neq 1$) models with oblique parameters (as they use formalism, which is derived for $\hat{\rho} = 1$ only)...

Thank you!

Thanks

- STUVWX parameters

$$S = \frac{4s^2 c^2}{\alpha} \left[\tilde{\Pi}_{ZZ}(m_Z^2) + \frac{s^2 - c^2}{sc} \Pi'_{ZA}(0) - \Pi'_{AA}(0) \right]$$

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$$U = \frac{4s^2}{\alpha} \left[\tilde{\Pi}_{WW}(m_W^2) - c^2 \tilde{\Pi}_{ZZ}(m_Z^2) - 2sc \Pi'_{ZA}(0) - s^2 \Pi'_{AA}(0) \right]$$

$$V = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left[\Pi'_{ZZ}(m_Z^2) - \tilde{\Pi}_{ZZ}(m_Z^2) \right]$$

$$W = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left[\Pi'_{WW}(m_W^2) - \tilde{\Pi}_{WW}(m_W^2) \right],$$

$$X = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left[\Pi'_{ZA}(0) - \tilde{\Pi}_{ZA}(m_Z^2) \right]$$