

# PRECISION CALCULATIONS IN SMEFT

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- SMEFT Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}^{\text{SM}} + \sum_{i=1}^{59} C_i(\mu) Q_i(\mu) + (\text{dim-8 and higher})$$

- Observables  $O$  calculated as expansion in operator dimension and loops

$$O^{\text{SMEFT}} = O^{\text{SM}} + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} O^{(6,0)} + \underbrace{\frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} O^{(6,1)} + \frac{v^4}{\Lambda^4} O^{(8,0)}}_{\text{"Precision"}} + \dots$$

THIS TALK: focus on  $O^{(6,1)} = \text{NLO dim-6}$

# SMEFT PERSPECTIVES (AT NLO)

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}^{\text{SM}} + \sum_{i=1}^{59} C_i(\mu) Q_i(\mu) + \dots$$

Two perspectives:

- bottom up (the present): determine  $C_i$  through global fits
- top down (the future): if NP is known, SMEFT is tool for calculating RG-improved cross sections at scales  $\mu_{\text{EW}} \ll \Lambda_{\text{NP}}$

NLO calculations:

- better agreement with data (top-down), more robust fits (bottom up)
- reduce dependence on renormalization scheme (for instance  $\mu$ -dependence in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ , but more generally on different EW input schemes)

A rapidly expanding field:

- Current calculations done on case-by-case basis: [Giardino, Dawson, Maltoni, Zhang, Trott, Petriello, Duhr, Schulze, Passarino, Signer, Pruna, Shepherd, Hartmann, Baglio, Lewis, Zhang, Boughezal, Degrande, BP, Vryonidou, Mimasu, Deutschmann, Scott, Dedes, Suxho, Trifyllis, Gomez-Ambrosio, Durieux, Cullen, Gauld, Haisch, Zanderighi, Corbett ...]
- Future is automated NLO as in SM  
(already available for QCD corrections [Degrande et al. arXiv:2008.11743])

Motivation for NLO SMEFT same as in SM, but there are important differences, which are the basis of this talk.

- Technical subtleties in NLO SMEFT calculations
- Scale uncertainties and proliferation of Wilson coefficients
- EW input schemes – absolute and relative convergence

# TECHNICAL SUBTLETIES IN NLO SMEFT

$h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  at NLO illustrates many subtleties in “simple”<sup>1</sup> setting [Cullen, BP, Scott: '19]

- structure of tadpole contributions
- decoupling relations and hybrid renormalisation schemes (mix of  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  and on-shell)
- EW Ward identities and electric charge renormalisation
- fermionic wave-function renormalisation and Higgs-Z mixing

Following few slides give a feel for how NLO calculations work...

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<sup>1</sup>UV renormalisation procedure cancels poles in  $\sim 50$  Wilson coefficients

# THE LO $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ AMPLITUDE IN SMEFT

$$Q_{bH} = H^\dagger H (\bar{q}_L H b_R + \text{h.c.}),$$

$$Q_{H\Box} = (H^\dagger H)\Box(H^\dagger H), \quad Q_{HD} = (H^\dagger D_\mu H)^* (H^\dagger D_\mu H), \quad Q_{HWB} = H^\dagger \sigma^I H W_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$$

- LO decay amplitude

$$i\mathcal{M}^{(0)}(h \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = -i\bar{u}(p_b) \left( \mathcal{M}_L^{(0)} P_L + \mathcal{M}_L^{(0)*} P_R \right) v(p_{\bar{b}})$$

- Explicit results for  $\mathcal{M}_L^{(0)} = \mathcal{M}_L^{(4,0)} + \mathcal{M}_L^{(6,0)}$ :

$$\mathcal{M}_L^{(4,0)} = \frac{m_b}{\hat{v}_T},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_L^{(6,0)} = m_b \hat{v}_T \left[ -\frac{\hat{v}_T}{m_b} \frac{C_{bH}^*}{\sqrt{2}} + C_{H\Box} - \frac{C_{HD}}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \Delta v^{(6,0,\alpha)} \right]$$

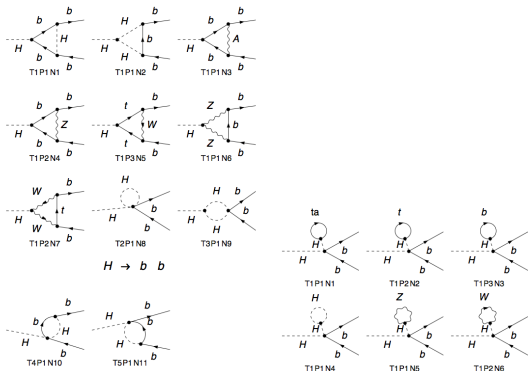
- result is particular to  $\{\alpha, M_W, M_Z\}$  input scheme, where  $v_T^2 \equiv \langle H^\dagger H \rangle / 2$  replaced by

$$\frac{1}{v_{T,0}^2} = \frac{1}{\hat{v}_T^2} \left[ 1 - \hat{v}_T^2 \Delta v^{(6,0,\alpha)} + \dots \right]; \quad \Delta v^{(6,0,\alpha)} = -\frac{\hat{c}_w^2}{2\hat{s}_w^2} C_{HD} + 2\frac{\hat{c}_w}{\hat{s}_w} C_{HWB}$$

$$\hat{v}_T = \frac{2M_W \hat{s}_w}{\sqrt{4\pi\alpha}}, \quad \hat{c}_w = \frac{M_W}{M_Z}$$

# NLO EW REQUIRES MANY DIAGRAMS...

Example in unitary gauge: SM and  $Q_{bH} \sim H^\dagger H \bar{b}_L b_R H + \text{h.c.}$



- diagrams can be evaluated using automated (mathematica) tools
- subtleties mainly related to renormalisation procedure



# UV COUNTERTERMS IN SMEFT

dimension-4 counterterm is

$$\delta\mathcal{M}_L^{(4)} = \frac{m_b}{\hat{v}_T} \left( \frac{\delta m_b^{(4)}}{m_b} - \frac{\delta\hat{v}_T^{(4)}}{\hat{v}_T} + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_h^{(4)} + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_b^{(4),L} + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_b^{(4),R*} \right)$$

dimension-6 counterterm is

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\mathcal{M}_L^{(6)} = & \frac{m_b}{\hat{v}_T} \left( \frac{\delta m_b^{(6)}}{m_b} - \frac{\delta\hat{v}_T^{(6)}}{\hat{v}_T} + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_h^{(6)} + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_b^{(6),L} + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_b^{(6),R*} \right) \\ & + \mathcal{M}_L^{(6,0)} \left( \frac{\delta m_b^{(4)}}{m_b} + \frac{\delta\hat{v}_T^{(4)}}{\hat{v}_T} + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_h^{(4)} + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_b^{(4),L} + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_b^{(4),R*} \right) \\ & - \frac{\hat{v}_T^2}{\sqrt{2}} C_{bH}^* \left( \frac{\delta\hat{v}_T^{(4)}}{\hat{v}_T} - \frac{\delta m_b^{(4)}}{m_b} \right) + m_b \hat{v}_T \left[ C_{HWB} + \frac{\hat{c}_w}{2\hat{s}_w} C_{HD} \right] \delta \left( \frac{\hat{c}_w}{\hat{s}_w} \right)^{(4)} \\ & + m_b \hat{v}_T \left( \delta C_{H\Box} - \frac{\delta C_{HD}}{4} \left( 1 - \frac{\hat{c}_w^2}{\hat{s}_w^2} \right) + \frac{\hat{c}_w}{\hat{s}_w} \delta C_{HWB} - \frac{\hat{v}_T}{m_b} \frac{\delta C_{bH}^*}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\frac{\delta\hat{v}_T}{\hat{v}_T} \equiv \frac{\delta M_W}{M_W} + \frac{\delta\hat{s}_w}{\hat{s}_w} - \frac{\delta e}{e}$$

and

$$\frac{\delta\hat{s}_w}{\hat{s}_w} = -\frac{\hat{c}_w^2}{\hat{s}_w^2} \left( \frac{\delta M_W}{M_W} - \frac{\delta M_Z}{M_Z} \right), \quad \delta \left( \frac{\hat{c}_w}{\hat{s}_w} \right)^{(4)} = -\frac{1}{\hat{c}_w \hat{s}_w} \left( \frac{\delta\hat{s}_w^{(4)}}{\hat{s}_w} \right)$$

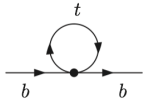
# COMPLEX $C_i$ AND RENORMALISATION

Complex couplings beyond SM leads to subtleties in counterterms. Examples:

- Fermion w.f. renormalisation

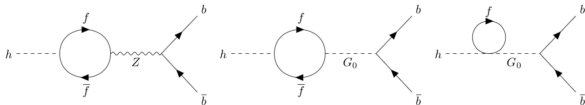
$$\delta Z_b^L = \left[ -\widetilde{\text{Re}} \Sigma_b^L(m_f^2) - m_f^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial p^2} \widetilde{\text{Re}} \left[ \Sigma_b^L(p^2) + \Sigma_b^R(p^2) + \Sigma_b^S(p^2) + \Sigma_b^{S*}(p^2) \right] \Big|_{p^2=m_b^2} \right] + \Sigma_b^S(m_b^2) - \Sigma_b^{S*}(m_b^2)$$

- $\Sigma_b^S(m_b^2) - \Sigma_b^{S*}(m_b^2)$  vanishes in SM, but is proportional  $\text{Im}(C_i)$  in SMEFT.
- appears in many places in renormalisation of amplitude – example:



$$Z_b^L = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[ -\frac{m_t^3}{m_b} \left( (2N_c + 1) (C_{qtqb}^{(1)} - C_{qtqb}^{(1)*}) + c_{F,3} (C_{qtqb}^{(8)} - C_{qtqb}^{(8)*}) \right) \right] + \text{finite}$$

- Higgs-Goldstone mixing  $\propto \eta_5 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{v_T} \text{Im} [N_c m_b C_{bH} - N_c m_t C_{tH} + m_\tau C_{\tau H} + \dots]$



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# SCALE UNCERTAINTIES IN SMEFT

$$\Gamma = \Gamma_{SM} + v^2 \sum_i C_i(\mu) \Gamma_i(\mu)$$

- all-orders perturbative result for  $\Gamma$  is independent of  $\mu$
- $\mu$  dependence estimates missing higher orders in a fixed order calculation
- in SM, use i.e.  $\alpha_s(\mu = M_Z) = 0.1$  and RG equation to get  $\alpha_s(2M_Z)$  as a number
- in SMEFT, we don't know the  $C_i(\mu)$ . Therefore
  - pick a fixed reference scale: canonical choice is  $m_H$
  - as long as  $\mu \sim m_H$ , solution to RG equation is approximately

$$C_i(\mu) = C_i(m_H) + \ln\left(\frac{\mu}{m_H}\right) \dot{C}_i(m_H), \quad \dot{C}_i(m_H) = \left. \frac{dC}{d \ln \mu} \right|_{\mu=m_H} = \sum_j \gamma_{ij} C_j(m_H)$$

- can use to calculate scale uncertainties in  $\Gamma$  in terms of  $C_i(m_H)$
- LO scale uncertainties involve all Wilson coefficients in  $\gamma_{ij}$

# SCALE UNCERTAINTIES IN $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

- result from varying  $\mu_C, \mu_R$  independently by factor of 2 around  $m_H$  and adding in quadrature:

$$\frac{\Gamma^{\text{LO}}}{\Gamma^{\text{LO,SM}}} = (1 \pm 0.08) + \frac{(\bar{v})^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &(3.74 \pm 0.36) \tilde{C}_{HWB} + (2.00 \pm 0.21) \tilde{C}_{H\Box} - (1.41 \pm 0.07) \frac{\bar{v}}{m_b} \tilde{C}_{bH} + (1.24 \pm 0.14) \tilde{C}_{HD} \\ &\pm 0.35 \tilde{C}_{HG} \pm 0.19 \tilde{C}_{Hq}^{(1)} \pm 0.18 \tilde{C}_{Ht} \pm 0.11 \tilde{C}_{Hq}^{(3)} + [\text{roughly 30 more } C_i] \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma^{\text{NLO}}}{\Gamma^{\text{LO,SM}}} = 1.13_{-0.04}^{+0.01} + \frac{(\bar{v})^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &(4.16_{-0.14}^{+0.05}) \tilde{C}_{HWB} + (2.40_{-0.09}^{+0.04}) \tilde{C}_{H\Box} \\ &+ (-1.73_{-0.03}^{+0.04}) \frac{\bar{v}}{m_b} \tilde{C}_{bH} + (1.33_{-0.04}^{+0.01}) \tilde{C}_{HD} + (2.75_{-0.48}^{+0.49}) \tilde{C}_{HG} \\ &+ (-0.12_{-0.01}^{+0.04}) \tilde{C}_{Hq}^{(3)} + (-0.08_{-0.01}^{+0.05}) \tilde{C}_{Ht} + (0.06_{-0.05}^{+0.00}) \tilde{C}_{Hq}^{(1)} + (0.00_{-0.04}^{+0.07}) \frac{\tilde{C}_{tG}}{g_s} \\ &+ [\text{roughly 50 more } C_i] \end{aligned} \right\}$$

- in general, uncertainty band in LO result overlaps with NLO one, and decreases between LO and NLO
- exception is  $C_{HG}$ , which gives large corrections unrelated to RG eqns.
- large number of Wilson coefficients generated from scale variations already at LO

# RELATIVE CONVERGENCE – CORRECTIONS TO LO RESULTS IN $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

	SM	$C_{HWB}$	$C_{H\Box}$	$C_{bH}$	$C_{HD}$
NLO QCD-QED	18.2%	17.9%	18.2%	18.2%	18.2%
NLO EW	-5.3%	-6.5%	2.0%	4.1%	-11.0%
NLO correction	12.9%	11.4%	20.2%	22.3%	7.2%

TABLE: Size of NLO corrections to different terms in LO decay rate, split into QCD-QED and EW components.

- applying SM  $K$ -factor to dim.6 coefficients bad approximation for EW corrections
- this is generally the case, also for other decays such as  $W \rightarrow \ell\nu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$
- possible to decipher patterns across the  $C_i$ , EW input schemes, and decays  
[\[Biekötter, BP, Scott, Smith arXiv:2305.03763\]](#)

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# EW INPUT SCHEMES AND DERIVED PARAMETERS

In SMEFT, EW input schemes related to

$$\{g_1, g_2, v_T\} \rightarrow \{p_1, p_2, M_Z, C_i\}; \quad p_1, p_2 \in \{\alpha, G_F, M_W, \sin \theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell\}$$

- each set of 3 input parameters defines an EW input scheme
- 5 EW input schemes considered to NLO in [\[Biekötter, BP, Smith '24\]](#)

scheme	inputs	derived parameters
$v_\mu^{\text{eff}}$	$G_F, \sin \theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell, M_Z$	$M_W, \alpha$
$v_\alpha^{\text{eff}}$	$\alpha, \sin \theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell, M_Z$	$M_W, G_F$
$\alpha$	$\alpha, M_W, M_Z$	$s_w^{\text{eff}}, G_F$
$\alpha_\mu$	$G_F, M_W, M_Z$	$s_w^{\text{eff}}, \alpha$
LEP	$G_F, \alpha, M_Z$	$s_w^{\text{eff}}, M_W$

- In, e.g., LEP scheme,  $M_W$  is a “derived parameter”, i.e. has SMEFT expansion

$$M_W^{\text{LEP}}(\alpha, G_F, M_Z, C_i) = M_W^{\text{LEP}(4,0)} + M_W^{\text{LEP}(4,1)} + M_W^{\text{LEP}(6,0)} + M_W^{\text{LEP}(6,1)} + \dots$$

- derived parameters not only precision observables, but also key quantities for converting between schemes



# ABSOLUTE CONVERGENCE ACROSS SCHEMES IN SM

- in SM, good agreement of “derived parameters” implies that more complicated observables such as  $\Gamma_{Z\ell\ell}^s$  converge to a common numerical value at NLO

EW input scheme		$\frac{M_W^s}{M_W} - 1$	$\frac{\alpha^s}{\alpha} - 1$	$\frac{G_F^s}{G_F} - 1$	$\frac{(s_w^{\text{eff},s})^2}{(s_w^{\text{eff}})^2} - 1$	$\frac{\Gamma_{Z\ell\ell}^s}{\Gamma_{Z\ell\ell}} - 1$
$\{G_F, s_w^{\text{eff}}, M_Z\}$	LO	-0.56%	0.21%	-	-	-0.70%
	NLO	0.05%	0.23%	-	-	0.12%
$\{\alpha, s_w^{\text{eff}}, M_Z\}$	LO	-0.56%	-	-0.21%	-	-0.91%
	NLO	0.04%	-	-0.23%	-	-0.11%
$\{G_F, M_W, M_Z\}$	LO	-	-2.44%	-	-3.72%	-0.08%
	NLO	-	0.51%	-	0.34%	-0.07%
$\{\alpha, M_W, M_Z\}$	LO	-	-	2.50%	-3.72%	2.41%
	NLO	-	-	-0.67%	0.45%	-0.74%
$\{G_F, \alpha, M_Z\}$	LO	-0.51%	-	-	-0.30%	-0.66%
	NLO	0.09%	-	-	-0.32%	0.16%

# ABSOLUTE CONVERGENCE ACROSS SCHEMES IN SMEFT

Selected SMEFT contributions to the  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  decay rate with scale variations:

scheme		$C_{HD}$	$C_{HWB}$	$C_{He}_{33}$	$C_{Hu}_{33}$	$C_{Hq}^{(3)}_{33}$
$\{G_F, s_w^{\text{eff}}, M_Z\}$	LO	$-0.500^{+0.033}_{-0.033}$	$0.000^{+0.000}_{-0.000}$	$-1.843^{+0.048}_{-0.048}$	$0.000^{+0.052}_{-0.052}$	$0.000^{+0.000}_{-0.000}$
	NLO	$-0.527^{+0.005}_{-0.000}$	$0.004^{+0.000}_{-0.000}$	$-1.905^{+0.004}_{-0.000}$	$0.048^{+0.000}_{-0.013}$	$0.022^{+0.000}_{-0.004}$
$\{\alpha, s_w^{\text{eff}}, M_Z\}$	LO	$0.000^{+0.000}_{-0.000}$	$2.370^{+0.081}_{-0.081}$	$-1.843^{+0.050}_{-0.050}$	$0.000^{+0.003}_{-0.003}$	$0.000^{+0.005}_{-0.005}$
	NLO	$-0.001^{+0.000}_{-0.000}$	$2.439^{+0.000}_{-0.006}$	$-1.903^{+0.004}_{-0.000}$	$0.005^{+0.000}_{-0.001}$	$0.002^{+0.000}_{-0.000}$
$\{G_F, M_W, M_Z\}$	LO	$-0.169^{+0.011}_{-0.011}$	$0.355^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$	$-1.764^{+0.046}_{-0.046}$	$0.000^{+0.018}_{-0.018}$	$0.000^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$
	NLO	$-0.289^{+0.009}_{-0.007}$	$0.258^{+0.003}_{-0.004}$	$-1.897^{+0.006}_{-0.002}$	$0.018^{+0.011}_{-0.016}$	$0.006^{+0.000}_{-0.002}$
$\{\alpha, M_W, M_Z\}$	LO	$1.573^{+0.108}_{-0.108}$	$4.088^{+0.143}_{-0.143}$	$-1.764^{+0.050}_{-0.050}$	$0.000^{+0.162}_{-0.162}$	$0.000^{+0.008}_{-0.008}$
	NLO	$1.408^{+0.002}_{-0.019}$	$3.869^{+0.002}_{-0.013}$	$-1.898^{+0.006}_{-0.002}$	$-0.142^{+0.030}_{-0.000}$	$-0.073^{+0.014}_{-0.000}$
$\{G_F, \alpha, M_Z\}$	LO	$-0.600^{+0.040}_{-0.040}$	$-0.474^{+0.016}_{-0.016}$	$-1.837^{+0.048}_{-0.048}$	$0.000^{+0.062}_{-0.062}$	$0.000^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$
	NLO	$-0.631^{+0.005}_{-0.000}$	$-0.475^{+0.001}_{-0.000}$	$-1.899^{+0.004}_{-0.000}$	$0.057^{+0.000}_{-0.015}$	$0.025^{+0.000}_{-0.005}$

- in SMEFT, dependence of “derived parameters” on  $C_i$  obfuscates absolute convergence of more complicated observables in different schemes
- fits of  $C_i$  in different schemes sensitive to different sets of dim-8 and loop corrections, can provide sanity checks on fits

# RELATIVE CONVERGENCE: 3 DECAYS IN 3 INPUT SCHEMES

NLO EW corrections ( $\alpha_s = 0$  in  $h \rightarrow bb$ )

$h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	SM	$C_{H\Box}$	$C_{HD}$	$C_{dH}_{33}$	$C_{HWB}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{jj}$	$C_{\parallel 1221}$
$\alpha$ -scheme: $\{M_W, M_Z, \alpha\}$	-5.2 %	2.1%	-11.0%	4.2%	-6.7%	-	-
$\alpha_\mu$ -scheme: $\{M_W, M_Z, G_F\}$	-0.8 %	2.1%	2.0%	1.9%	-	0.9%	-0.8%
LEP scheme: $\{\alpha, M_Z, G_F\}$	-0.7 %	2.1%	1.6%	1.9%	-	0.7%	-0.9%

$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	SM	$C_{HD}$	$C_{HWB}$	$C_{He}_{33}$	$C_{HI}^{(1)}_{33}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{33}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{jj}$	$C_{\parallel 1221}$
$\alpha$	-4.0%	-10.6%	-5.4%	7.7%	0.3%	-0.5%	—	—
$\alpha_\mu$	< 0.1%	71.1%	-27.2%	7.6%	0.1%	-0.4%	2.9%	0.6%
LEP	1.0%	7.8%	17.4%	2.0%	4.7%	4.2%	6.9%	4.5%

$W \rightarrow \tau\nu$	SM	$C_{HD}$	$C_{HWB}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{jj}$	$C_{\parallel 1221}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{33}$
$\alpha$	-4.2%	-1.7%	-3.0%	—	—	2.2%
$\alpha_\mu$	-0.3%	—	—	2.5%	-0.2%	2.2%
LEP	2.0%	8.1%	3.2%	5.1%	2.5%	4.6%

Is there any rhyme or reason to the pattern across  $C_i$ ?

# CONNECTING SCHEMES

Start with  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{bare}}(M_W, M_Z, v_T, \dots)$ , and renormalise  $v_T$  as

$$\frac{1}{v_{T,0}^2} = \frac{1}{v_\sigma^2} \left[ 1 - v_\sigma^2 \Delta v_\sigma^{(6,0,\sigma)} - \frac{1}{v_\sigma^2} \Delta v_\sigma^{(4,1,\sigma)} - \Delta v_\sigma^{(6,1,\sigma)} \right]; \quad \sigma \in \{\alpha, \mu\}$$

$$v_\alpha \equiv \frac{2M_W s_w}{\sqrt{4\pi\alpha}}, \quad v_\mu \equiv (\sqrt{2}G_F)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

- for  $\alpha$  scheme  $\{M_W, M_Z, \alpha\}$ : use  $\sigma = \alpha$  and determine  $\Delta v_\alpha$  from charge ren.
- for  $\alpha_\mu$  scheme  $\{M_W, M_Z, G_F\}$ : use  $\sigma = \mu$  and determine  $\Delta v_\mu$  from muon decay
- for LEP scheme  $\{\alpha, M_Z, G_F\}$ : start with  $\alpha_\mu$  scheme, and then eliminate  $M_W$  using

$$\frac{v_\alpha^2}{v_\mu^2} - 1 \equiv \Delta r = v_\mu^2 \Delta r^{(6,0)} + \frac{1}{v_\mu^2} \Delta r^{(4,1)} + \Delta r^{(6,1)}$$

where  $\Delta r^{(i,j)}$  are finite and related to  $\Delta v_{\mu\alpha} = \Delta v_\mu - \Delta v_\alpha$

$$\Delta r^{(6,0)} = \Delta v_{\mu\alpha}^{(6,0)}, \quad \Delta r^{(4,1)} = \Delta v_{\mu\alpha}^{(4,1)}, \quad \Delta r^{(6,1)} = \Delta v_{\mu\alpha}^{(6,1)} + 2\Delta v_\mu^{(4,1,\mu)} \Delta v_{\mu\alpha}^{(6,0)}$$

# TOP LOOPS AND UNIVERSAL CORRECTIONS

- $\Delta r$  is physical,  $\Delta v_\sigma$  is not. However, in large- $m_t$  limit in SM:

$$\frac{1}{v_{T,0}^2} \Big|_{m_t \rightarrow \infty} = \frac{1}{v_\sigma^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{v_\sigma^2} \left( \Delta r_t^{(4,1)} \delta_{\alpha\sigma} - 2\Delta M_{W,t}^{(4,1)} \right) \right]; \quad \sigma \in \{\alpha, \mu\}$$

$$\frac{\Delta r_t^{(4,1)}}{v_\alpha^2} = -\frac{c_w^2}{s_w^2} \frac{\Delta \rho_t^{(4,1)}}{v_\alpha^2} \approx -3.5\%, \quad \frac{\Delta \rho_t^{(4,1)}}{v_\alpha^2} \equiv \frac{3}{16\pi^2} \frac{m_t^2}{v_\alpha^2} \approx 1\%$$

- universal correction  $\Delta r_t^{(4,1)}$  in  $\alpha$ -scheme comes along with LO (can resum!)
- we generalised this to include universal scheme-dependent corrections in SMEFT through a substitution procedure on LO [[arXiv:2305.03763](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.03763)], for example

$$\frac{1}{v_T^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{v_\sigma^2} \left[ \underbrace{1 + v_\sigma^2 K_t^{(6,0,\sigma)} + \frac{K_t^{(4,1,\sigma)}}{v_\sigma^2} + K_t^{(6,1,\sigma)}}_{\text{LO}_K} + (\text{divergent and unphysical stuff}) \right]$$

- the  $K_t$  are physical top-loop corrections that always come along with LO
- $\Rightarrow$  re-organise pert. theory. to include them already in “ $\text{LO}_K$ ” approximation

### 3 DECAYS WITH UNIVERSAL CORRECTIONS

NLO corrections to  $LO_K$  results

$W \rightarrow \tau\nu$	SM	$C_{HD}$	$C_{HWB}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{jj}$	$C_{1221}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{33}$
$\alpha$	-0.9%	1.1%	0.6%	—	—	2.2%
$\alpha_\mu$	-0.3%	—	—	0.6%	-0.2%	2.2%
LEP	0.0 %	1.9%	0.9 %	0.1%	0.2%	2.5%

$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	SM	$C_{HD}$	$C_{HWB}$	$C_{He}_{33}$	$C_{HI}^{(1)}_{33}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{33}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{jj}$	$C_{1221}$
$\alpha$	-0.9%	-1.4%	-0.1%	3.3%	2.0%	1.3%	—	—
$\alpha_\mu$	0.0%	11.2%	-3.4%	3.2%	1.8%	1.3%	0.8%	0.0%
LEP	0.0%	2.3%	-3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	0.8%	0.0%

$h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	SM	$C_{H\Box}$	$C_{HD}$	$C_{dH}_{33}$	$C_{HWB}$	$C_{HI}^{(3)}_{jj}$	$C_{1221}$
$\alpha$	-1.9 %	2.1%	2.5%	2.5%	-1.5%	-	-
$\alpha_\mu$	-0.8 %	2.1%	2.0%	1.9%	-	0.9%	-0.8%
LEP	-0.8 %	2.1%	1.6%	1.9%	-	0.7%	-0.9%

Corrections smaller and less scheme dependent compared to pure fixed order

- NLO dim-6 SMEFT calculations involve many subtleties compared to SM
- Precision SMEFT is a game of many Wilson coefficients and requires global fits
- Global fits in different EW input schemes can provide important consistency checks
- Longer-term future is automated NLO SMEFT