

# Two Loop QCD amplitudes for di-pseudo scalar Higgs Production

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- Effective Field Theory with pseudo-scalar
- operator renormalisation and mixing
- Universal IR structure
- Summary

- Di-Higgs is an important channel that can probe the Higgs self coupling, which in turn describes the shape of the Higgs potential
- To go beyond NNLO in di-Higgs production channel, relevant two-loop amplitudes have recently been computed in the gluon fusion process
- BSM scenarios with pseudo-scalar Higgs boson exists which can lead to rich phenomenology
- Dominant production channel for single and double pseudo-scalar Higgs boson is gluon fusion, through top quark loop

- Effective Field Theory approach can be used to study these processes in the large top quark mass limit
- Unlike the scalar Higgs boson, in EFT, the pseudo-scalar couples to gluons through two composite CP odd operators, gluonic and fermionic, dimension four operators
- The production cross section is comparable to the di-Higgs cross section. Hence, it is important to have predictions at the same level of precision for any phenomenological study

Interaction of a pseudo-scalar field  $\Phi^A(x)$  with the gauge field  $G^{a\mu\nu}$  and the fermion  $\psi$ :

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff}^A = \Phi^A(x) \left[ -\frac{1}{8} C_G O_G(x) - \frac{1}{2} C_J O_J(x) \right].$$

- $O_G(x)$  pseudo-scalar gluonic operator
- $O_J(x)$  pseudo-scalar fermionic operator
- $C_G$  and  $C_J$  are the wilsons coefficients as a result of integrating out the heavy top quark degrees of freedom

- pseudo-scalar gluonic and fermionic operator

$$O_G(x) = G^{a\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} G^{a\mu\nu} G^{a\rho\sigma}, \quad O_J(x) = \partial_\mu (\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi) .$$

gluonic Field strength tensor

$$G^{a\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu G^{a\nu} - \partial^\nu G^{a\mu} + g_s f^{abc} G_b^\mu G_c^\nu,$$

- wilsons coefficient

$$C_G(a_s) = -a_s 2^{\frac{5}{4}} G_F^{\frac{1}{2}} \cot \beta ,$$

$$C_J(a_s) = - \left[ a_s C_F \left( \frac{3}{2} - 3 \ln \frac{\mu_R^2}{m_t^2} \right) + a_s^2 C_J^{(2)} + \dots \right] C_G ,$$

- $G_F$  is the Fermi constant,  $\cot \beta$  – the ratio of the two Higgs doublets' vacuum expectation values in a CP conserving two-Higgs doublet model
- Adler-Bardeen Theorem ensures , there are no QCD corrections to  $C_G$  beyond one loop , while  $C_J$  begins at two loop order

# Tensor decomposition of amplitudes

- Production of a pair of pseudo-scalar Higgs boson  $A$  of mass  $m_A$

$$g(p_1) + g(p_2) \rightarrow A(p_3) + A(p_4),$$

- Amplitude can be decomposed in terms of two second rank Lorentz tensors  $\mathcal{T}_i^{\mu\nu}$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) :

$$\mathcal{M}_{ab}^{\mu\nu} \epsilon_\mu(p_1) \epsilon_\nu(p_2) = \delta_{ab} (\mathcal{T}_1^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{M}_1 + \mathcal{T}_2^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{M}_2) \epsilon_\mu(p_1) \epsilon_\nu(p_2),$$

- The second rank tensors are given by

$$\mathcal{T}_1^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_1^\nu p_2^\mu}{p_1 \cdot p_2},$$

$$\mathcal{T}_2^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{p_1 \cdot p_2 p_T^2} \left( m_A^2 p_2^\mu p_1^\nu - 2p_1 \cdot p_3 p_2^\mu p_3^\nu - 2p_2 \cdot p_3 p_3^\mu p_1^\nu + 2p_1 \cdot p_2 p_3^\mu p_3^\nu \right),$$

with  $p_T^2 = (tu - m_A^4)/s$  and the the Mandelstam variables

$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2, \quad t = (p_1 - p_3)^2, \quad u = (p_2 - p_3)^2,$$

which satisfy  $s + t + u = 2m_A^2$ .

- Scalar functions  $\mathcal{M}_{1,2}$  can be obtained from  $\mathcal{M}_{ab}^{\mu\nu}$ , by using appropriate  $d$ -dimensional projectors

$$P_{1,ab}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\delta_{ab}}{N^2 - 1} \left( \frac{1}{4} \frac{d-2}{d-3} \mathcal{T}_1^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{d-4}{d-3} \mathcal{T}_2^{\mu\nu} \right),$$
$$P_{2,ab}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\delta_{ab}}{N^2 - 1} \left( -\frac{1}{4} \frac{d-4}{d-3} \mathcal{T}_1^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{d-2}{d-3} \mathcal{T}_2^{\mu\nu} \right),$$

- Using projector method one can compute amplitudes which are much easier to handle analytically and numerically
- Use these amplitudes in other pseudo-scalar processes



Two types of diagrams contribute:

- Type-1:
  - one AAgg effective vertex
  - one Agg vertex and one AAA vertex
- Type-2:
  - Two Agg effective vertex: 2 tree level, 35 one loop and 789 two loop diagrams
  - one Agg effective vertex and one  $Aq\bar{q}$  effective vertex : 8 one loop diagrams

AAgg vertex proportional to  $C_G^2$  of  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^2)$

Agg vertex proportional to  $C_G$  of  $\mathcal{O}(a_s)$

$Aq\bar{q}$  vertex proportional to  $C_J$  of  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^2)$ .

# Type-I Form factor type

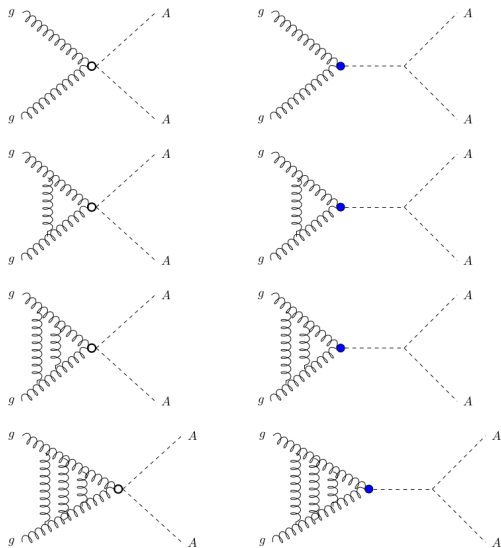


Figure: Type-1 tree level, one loop and two loop diagrams

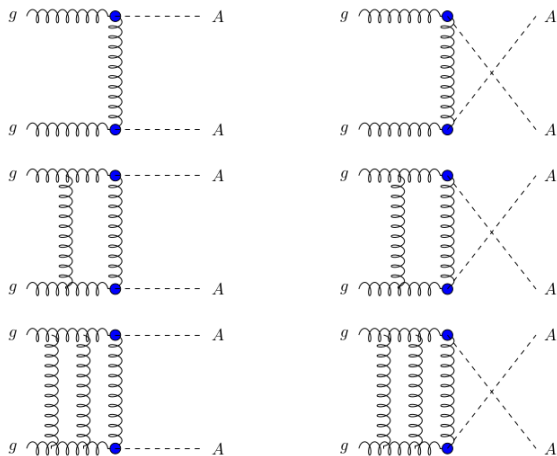
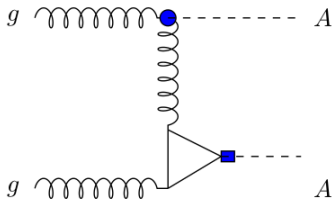


Figure: Type-2a tree,one loop,two loop diagrams



- Due to axial anomaly, pseudo-scalar operator for the gluonic field strength mixes with the divergences of the singlet axial vector current
- Effective  $Aq\bar{q}$  vertex, proportional to  $C_J$  begins at  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^2)$
- Effective  $Agg$  vertex, proportional to  $C_G$  begins at  $\mathcal{O}(a_s)$
- Two loop contribution starts at  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^4)$

$$\mathcal{M}_i = \mathcal{M}_i^{\text{I}} + \mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II}}, \quad i = 1, 2$$

where  $\mathcal{M}_i^{\text{I}}$  and  $\mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II}}$  are Type-I and Type-II amplitudes contributing upto  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^4)$

## $\gamma_5$ : dimensional Regularisation

- Computing higher order corrections with chiral quantities involve inherently  $d = 4$  dimensional objects like  $\gamma_5$  and  $\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$  warrants a prescription in going to  $4 + \epsilon$
- Prescription

$$\gamma_5 = \frac{i}{4!} \epsilon_{\mu_1\mu_2\mu_3\mu_4} \gamma^{\mu_1} \gamma^{\mu_2} \gamma^{\mu_3} \gamma^{\mu_4},$$

where Levi-Civita tensor is purely 4-dimensional, while the Lorentz indices on the  $\gamma^{\mu_i}$  are in  $d = 4 + \epsilon$  dimensions

- To maintain the anti-commuting nature of  $\gamma_5$  with  $d$ -dimensional  $\gamma^{\mu_i}$ , the symmetrical form of the axial current has to be used

$$J_\mu^5 = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi} (\gamma_\mu \gamma_5 - \gamma_5 \gamma_\mu) \psi,$$

- The  $O_G$  and  $O_J$  operators now take the form

$$O_G(x) = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} G^{a\mu\nu} G^{a\rho\sigma}, \quad O_J(x) = \frac{i}{3!} \epsilon_{\mu\nu_1\nu_2\nu_3} \partial^\mu (\bar{\psi} \gamma^{\nu_1} \gamma^{\nu_2} \gamma^{\nu_3} \psi).$$

- Contraction of two Levi-Civita tensors that result from either  $O_G$  operator or the mixing of  $O_G$  and  $O_J$  operators is given by

$$\epsilon_{\mu_1\nu_1\rho_1\sigma_1}\epsilon^{\mu_2\nu_2\rho_2\sigma_2} = \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{\mu_1}^{\mu_2} & \delta_{\mu_1}^{\nu_2} & \delta_{\mu_1}^{\rho_2} & \delta_{\mu_1}^{\sigma_2} \\ \delta_{\nu_1}^{\mu_2} & \delta_{\nu_1}^{\nu_2} & \delta_{\nu_1}^{\rho_2} & \delta_{\nu_1}^{\sigma_2} \\ \delta_{\rho_1}^{\mu_2} & \delta_{\rho_1}^{\nu_2} & \delta_{\rho_1}^{\rho_2} & \delta_{\rho_1}^{\sigma_2} \\ \delta_{\sigma_1}^{\mu_2} & \delta_{\sigma_1}^{\nu_2} & \delta_{\sigma_1}^{\rho_2} & \delta_{\sigma_1}^{\sigma_2} \end{vmatrix},$$

- Lorentz indices in this determinant, could now be considered as  $d$ -dimensional and the consequence would be, addition of only the inessential  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$  terms to the renormalised quantity
- A finite renormalisation of the axial vector current is required in order to fulfill the chiral Ward identities and the Adler-Bardeen theorem

- In  $d = 4 + \epsilon$ , the bare strong coupling constant  $\hat{a}_s$  is related to its renormalized coupling  $a_s$  by

$$\hat{a}_s S_\epsilon = \left( \frac{\mu^2}{\mu_R^2} \right)^{\epsilon/2} Z_{a_s} a_s,$$

with  $S_\epsilon = \exp[(\gamma_E - \ln 4\pi)\epsilon/2]$  with  $\gamma_E \approx 0.5772\dots$  the Euler-Mascheroni constant and  $\mu$  is the scale introduced to keep the strong coupling constant dimensionless in  $d = 4 + \epsilon$  space-time dimensions.

- The renormalisation constant  $Z_{a_s}$  is given by

$$Z_{a_s} = 1 + a_s \left[ \frac{2}{\epsilon} \beta_0 \right] + a_s^2 \left[ \frac{4}{\epsilon^2} \beta_0^2 + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \beta_1 \right] + a_s^3 \left[ \frac{8}{\epsilon^3} \beta_0^3 + \frac{14}{3\epsilon^2} \beta_0 \beta_1 + \frac{2}{3\epsilon} \beta_2 \right],$$

- The amplitudes require the renormalisation of vertices resulting from the composite operators  $O_G$  and  $O_J$  of the effective Lagrangian
- The renormalisation of  $O_J$  is related to the renormalisation of the singlet axial vector current  $J_5^\mu$  which needs the standard overall UV renormalisation constant  $Z_{\overline{MS}}^s$
- Even with  $Z_{\overline{MS}}^s$  the 1-loop character of the operator relation of axial anomaly can not be maintained

$$[\partial_\mu J_5^\mu] = a_s \frac{n_f}{2} [G\tilde{G}] , \quad \text{i.e.} \quad [O_J] = a_s \frac{n_f}{2} [O_G] ,$$

which is true in Pauli-Villars, a 4-dimensional regularisation

- To preserve this in  $4 + \epsilon$  dimensions, the multiplicative finite renormalisation constant  $Z_5^s$  is required.

$$[O_J] = Z_5^s Z_{\overline{MS}}^s O_J ,$$



- bare pseudo-scalar gluon operator  $O_G$  mixes with fermionic operator  $O_J$  under the renormalisation through

$$[O_G] = Z_{GG} O_G + Z_{GJ} O_J,$$

- Mixing matrix

$$[O_i] = Z_{ij} O_j, \quad \text{where } i, j = \{G, J\},$$

$$O \equiv \begin{pmatrix} O_G \\ O_J \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Z \equiv \begin{pmatrix} Z_{GG} & Z_{GJ} \\ Z_{JG} & Z_{JJ} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $Z_{JG} = 0$  to all orders in perturbation theory and  $Z_{JJ} \equiv Z_5^s Z_{MS}^s$ . The renormalisation constants required for above equation are available up to  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^3)$

- The renormalisation constants are

$$Z_5^s = 1 + a_s \{-4C_F\} + a_s^2 \left\{ 22C_F^2 - \frac{107}{9}C_A C_F + \frac{31}{18}C_F n_f \right\}.$$

$$Z_{GG} = 1 + a_s \left[ \frac{22}{3\epsilon}C_A - \frac{4}{3\epsilon}n_f \right] + a_s^2 \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left\{ \frac{484}{9}C_A^2 - \frac{176}{9}C_A n_f + \frac{16}{9}n_f^2 \right\} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left\{ \frac{34}{3}C_A^2 - \frac{10}{3}C_A n_f - 2C_F n_f \right\} \right],$$

$$Z_{GJ} = a_s \left[ -\frac{24}{\epsilon}C_F \right] + a_s^2 \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left\{ -176C_A C_F + 32C_F n_f \right\} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left\{ -\frac{284}{3}C_A C_F + 84C_F^2 + \frac{8}{3}C_F n_f \right\} \right],$$

$$Z_{JJ} = 1 + a_s [-4C_F] + a_s^2 \left[ -\frac{44}{3\epsilon}C_A C_F - \frac{10}{3\epsilon}C_F n_f \right. \\ \left. + 22C_F^2 - \frac{107}{9}C_A C_F + \frac{31}{18}C_F n_f \right].$$

# $g + g \rightarrow A + A$ to $\mathcal{O}(a_s^4)$

- amplitude can be obtained *via* the insertion of two renormalised operators  $[O_G]$  and  $[O_J]$  for each  $A$

$$\langle g|[O_G O_G]|g\rangle; \quad \langle g|[O_G O_J]|g\rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle g|[O_J O_J]|g\rangle.$$

- renormalised operators are related to bare ones. The gluonic operator  $O_G$  couples to gluons at LO ( $\mathcal{O}(a_s)$ ) and the fermionic operator  $O_J$  couples to quarks at LO ( $\mathcal{O}(a_s^2)$ )

$$\begin{aligned} [O_G O_G] &= Z_{GG}^2 O_G O_G + 2Z_{GG} Z_{GJ} O_G O_J + Z_{GJ}^2 O_J O_J, \\ [O_G O_J] &= Z_{GG} Z_{JJ} O_G O_J + Z_{GJ} Z_{JJ} O_J O_J. \end{aligned}$$

- The  $O_G^2$  starts to contribute at tree level at  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^2)$ ,  $O_G O_J$  begins to contribute at one-loop level and at  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^4)$  while  $O_J^2$  starts to contribute at  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^6)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}} &= Z_{GG}^2 \left( \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(0)} + \hat{a}_s \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(1)} + \hat{a}_s^2 \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(2)} \right) \\ &\quad + 2Z_{GG} Z_{GJ} \left( \hat{a}_s \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GJ,g}^{\text{II}(1)} + \hat{a}_s^2 \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GJ,g}^{\text{II}(2)} \right) \\ &\quad + Z_{GJ}^2 \left( \hat{a}_s \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{JJ,g}^{\text{II}(1)} + \hat{a}_s^2 \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{JJ,g}^{\text{II}(2)} \right), \end{aligned}$$

- Relation between UV finite amplitude and bare amplitudes

$$\mathcal{M}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}} = \mathcal{M}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(0)} + a_s \mathcal{M}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(1)} + a_s^2 \mathcal{M}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(2)} + \mathcal{O}(a_s^3).$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(0)} = \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(0)},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(1)} = \frac{1}{\mu_R^\epsilon} \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(1)} + 2Z_{GG}^{(1)} \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(0)},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(2)} &= \frac{1}{\mu_R^{2\epsilon}} \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(2)} + \frac{1}{\mu_R^\epsilon} \left( \frac{2\beta_0}{\epsilon} \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(1)} + 2Z_{GJ}^{(1)} \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GJ,g}^{\text{II}(1)} + 2Z_{GG}^{(1)} \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(1)} \right) \\ &\quad + \left( 2Z_{GG}^{(2)} + (Z_{GG}^{(1)})^2 \right) \hat{\mathcal{M}}_{GG,g}^{\text{II}(0)}. \end{aligned}$$

# Calculation of amplitudes to $\mathcal{O}(a_s^4)$

- Feynman diagrams are generated using QGRAF
- Type-IIa : tree level : 2 diagrams  
1 loop : 35 diagrams  
2 loop : 789 diagrams
- Type-IIb : 1 loop : 8 diagrams
- We use REDUZE2 package to identify the momentum shifts required to express each of these diagrams in terms of auxiliary topology
- IBP and LI identities via LiteRed package used to tensor reduction of integrals to Master Integrals.
- Master integrals are substituted to get the analytical result for the amplitude.

- The IBP identities**

- In dimensional regularization, the integral of the total derivative with respect to any loop momenta vanishes, that is

$$\int \frac{d^d k_1}{(2\pi)^d} \cdots \int \frac{d^d k_L}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{\partial}{\partial k_i} \cdot \left( v_j \frac{1}{\prod_l D_l^{n_l}} \right) = 0 \quad (1)$$

where  $l = 1, 2, 3 \dots$  and  $n_l \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $L$  is the number of loops and  $D_l$ s are propagators which depend on the loop and external momenta and also masses. The four vector  $v_j^\mu$  can be both loop and external momenta.

- Differentiating the left hand side and expressing the scalar products of  $k_i$  and  $p_j$  linearly in terms of  $D_l$ 's, one obtains the IBP identities given by

$$\sum_i a_i J(b_{i,1} + n_1, \dots, b_{i,N} + n_N) = 0 \quad (2)$$

where

$$J(\vec{m}) = J(m_1, \dots, m_N) = \int \frac{d^d k_1}{(2\pi)^d} \cdots \frac{d^d k_L}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{\prod_l D_l^{m_l}} \quad (3)$$

with  $b_{i,j} \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$  and  $a_i$  are polynomial in  $n_j$ .

- **The LI identities**

- Invariance of the loop integrals under Lorentz transformations of the external momenta leads to LI Identities

$$p_i^\mu p_j^\nu \left( \sum_k p_{k[\nu} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_k^{\mu]} \right) J(\vec{n}) = 0. \quad (4)$$

- **The Master Integrals**

- All Feynman Integrals appearing in all the Feynman diagrams can be expressed in terms of a small number of integral families.
- Using IBPs, LIs and symmetry relations all Feynman integrals described by these integral families can be reduced to a simpler minimal subset of integrals, **the master Integrals**
- Finally one has to evaluate the MIs only.

# Universal Infrared Divergence Structure

- UV finite amplitudes contain only divergences of IR origin, appear as poles in  $\epsilon$
- amplitudes beyond LO: very rich universal structure in the IR

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II},(0)} &= \mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II},(0)}, \\ \mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II},(1)} &= 2\mathbf{I}_g^{(1)}(\epsilon)\mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II},(0)} + \mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II},(1),\text{fin}}, \\ \mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II},(2)} &= 4\mathbf{I}_g^{(2)}(\epsilon)\mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II},(0)} + 2\mathbf{I}_g^{(1)}(\epsilon)\mathcal{M}_i^{\text{II},(1)} + \mathcal{M}_i^{B,(2),\text{fin}},\end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{I}_g^{(1)}(\epsilon)$ ,  $\mathbf{I}_g^{(2)}(\epsilon)$  are the IR singularity operators given by

$$\mathbf{I}_g^{(1)}(\epsilon) = -\frac{e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{2}\gamma_E}}{\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)} \left( \frac{4C_A}{\epsilon^2} - \frac{\beta_0}{\epsilon} \right) \left( -\frac{s}{\mu_R^2} \right)^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}},$$

$$\mathbf{I}_g^{(2)}(\epsilon) = -\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{I}_g^{(1)}(\epsilon) \left[ \mathbf{I}_g^{(1)}(\epsilon) - \frac{2\beta_0}{\epsilon} \right] + \frac{e^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}\gamma_E}\Gamma(1 + \epsilon)}{\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)} \left[ -\frac{\beta_0}{\epsilon} + K \right] \mathbf{I}_g^{(1)}(\epsilon)$$



# Universal Infrared Divergence Structure

- Two loop case a fully analytical comparison was possible for poles  $\epsilon^{-i}$  with  $i = 2 - 4$
- Due to the large file size for the  $\epsilon^{-1}$  pole term comparison only at the numerical level
- The finite part is extracted

- Computed all the virtual amplitudes to  $\mathcal{O}(a_s^4)$  for di pseudo-scalar production at the LHC
- The computation is done in the EFT where the top quark degrees of freedom is integrated out
- Larin prescription for  $\gamma_5$  and Levi-Civita tensor in  $d = 4 + \epsilon$  dimension
- UV renormalisation with operator mixing and finite renormalisation, with no counter term
- Agrees with the universal IR structure

Thank You