

SMEFT NLO correction to Higgs decaying to fermion pairs implementation Sherpa

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Introduction

SMEFT: treat SM as a low-energy EFT of a UV complete theory, assuming

- $\Lambda_{NP} \gg \Lambda_{EW}$, i.e. no new light particles
- $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ broken by vev of $SU(2)$ doublet Higgs field.

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{L}^{(6)}; \quad \mathcal{L}^{(6)} = \sum_{i=1}^{59} C_i(\mu) Q_i(\mu).$$

To calculate the decay rate:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{M}|^2 &= |\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{M}^{(6)}|^2 \\ &= |\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}|^2 + 2\Re\left(\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}^{(6)}\right) + |\mathcal{M}^{(6)}|^2 \end{aligned}$$

- For this discussion we will neglect term of order Λ_{NP}^{-4}
- Cross-term of order Λ_{NP}^{-2}

SMEFT NLO Landscape

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- Future is NLO automation as in SM (already available for QCD corrections [Degrande et al. arXiv:2008.11743])

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Example: $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ SMEFT-NLO-QCD

- Operators involved:

$Q_{H\Box}$	$(H^\dagger H)\Box(H^\dagger H)$
Q_{HD}	$(H^\dagger D_\mu H)^* (H^\dagger D_\mu H)$
Q_{dH}	$(H^\dagger H)(\bar{q}_p d_r H)$
Q_{HG}	$H^\dagger H G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$
Q_{dG}	$g_s(\bar{q}_p \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^A d_r) H G_{\mu\nu}^A$

- The subscripts p, r are flavour indices and q_p and d_r are left- and right-handed fields respectively.

JC, BP, and DS: [\[JHEP, vol. 08, p. 173, 2019\]](#)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = - \left[H^\dagger \bar{d}_r [Y_d]_{rs} q_s + h.c. \right] + \left[C_{dH}^* (H^\dagger H) H^\dagger \bar{d}_r q_s + h.c. \right]$$

Operator C_{dH} gives correction to the Yukawa coupling $[Y_d]$.

Requiring that the kinetic terms are canonically normalised leads one to write the Higgs doublet in unitary gauge:

$$H(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ [1 + C_{H,\text{kin}}] h(x) + v_T \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$C_{H,\text{kin}} \equiv \left(C_{H\Box} - \frac{1}{4} C_{HD} \right) v_T^2,$$

Feynman diagrams

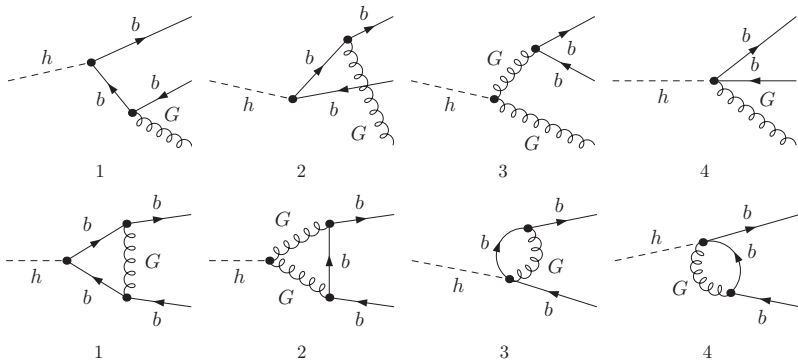


Figure 1: The real corrections labelled 3 and 4 are generated by Q_{HG} and Q_{bG} operators respectively. Similarly, the virtual corrections labelled 2 and 3, 4 are generated by Q_{HG} and Q_{bG} operators respectively.

The differential decay rate to NLO is obtained by evaluating the expression

$$d\Gamma = \frac{d\phi_2}{2m_h} \sum |\mathcal{M}_{h \rightarrow b\bar{b}}|^2 + \frac{d\phi_3}{2m_h} \sum |\mathcal{M}_{h \rightarrow b\bar{b}g}|^2.$$

The NLO decay rate in the SMEFT:

$$\Gamma = \Gamma^{(4,0)} + \Gamma^{(6,0)} + \Gamma^{(4,1)} + \Gamma^{(6,1)},$$

The tree-level decay amplitude for the process $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$:

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

where

$$\mathcal{M}_{b,L}^{(0)} = \frac{m_b}{v_T} [1 + C_{H,\text{kin}}] - \frac{v_T^2}{\sqrt{2}} C_{bH}.$$

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We write the UV-renormalised 2-body contributions in the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{|\mathcal{M}_{h \rightarrow b\bar{b}}|^2}{M_2^{(4,0)}} &= 1 + v_\sigma^2 K_2^{(6,0)} + \frac{1}{v_\sigma^2} K_{2,\text{weak}}^{(4,1)} + K_{2,\text{weak}}^{(6,1)} \\
 &+ \frac{C_F \alpha_s}{\pi} \left[K_2^{(4,1)} \left(1 + v_\sigma^2 K_2^{(6,0)} \right) + v_\sigma^2 K_2^{(6,1)} \right. \\
 &\left. - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{(4\pi)^\epsilon}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \left[1 + \frac{1+\beta^2}{2\beta} \ln x \right] \left(1 + v_\sigma^2 K_2^{(6,0)} \right) \right], \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_b^2}{m_H^2}}; \quad x = \frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}. \quad (2)$$

EW Input Scheme dependence

The calculation becomes more involved for the EW NLO corrections.

- Depending on the choice of input scheme, the WCs can differ.
- An input scheme is intrinsic part of the renormalisation procedure and a crucial step in any perturbative calculation.

$$\frac{1}{v_{T,0}^2} = \frac{1}{v_s^2} \left[1 - v_s^2 \Delta v_s^{(6,0,s)} - \frac{1}{v_s^2} \Delta v_s^{(4,1,s)} - \Delta v_s^{(6,1,s)} \right],$$

where, $s =$ input scheme.

We discuss two of them and can see how the SMEFT correction differs.

AB, BP, and TS: [\[JHEP, vol. 04, p. 073, 2024\]](#)

EW Input Scheme dependence

 $G\mu$ -SchemeInput parameters: $\{m_W, m_Z, G_F\}$

$$v_S \equiv v_\mu = \left(\sqrt{2}G_F\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}; \quad \Delta v_\mu^{(6,0,\mu)} = C_{11}^{(3)} + C_{22}^{(3)} - C_{1221}^{(3)},$$

 α -SchemeInput parameters: $\{m_W, m_Z, \alpha\}$

$$v_S \equiv v_\alpha = \frac{2M_W s_W}{\sqrt{4\pi\alpha}}; \quad \Delta v_\alpha^{(6,0,\alpha)} = -2 \frac{c_W}{s_W} \left[C_{HWB} + \frac{c_W}{4s_W} C_{HD} \right],$$

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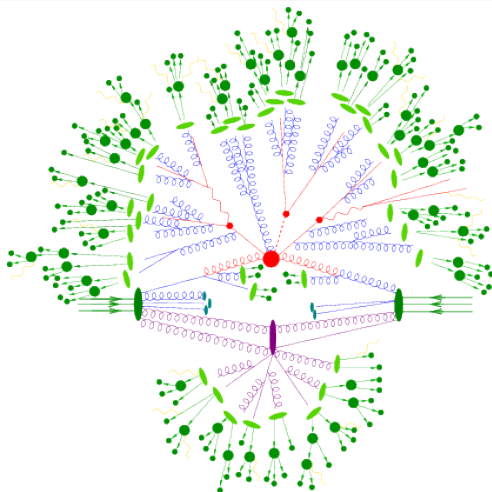


Figure 2: Pictorial representation of an event from SHERPA.

Image source: <https://sherpa.hepforge.org/event.png>

IR divergences

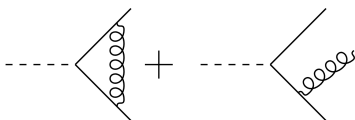


Figure 3: IR finite by KLM theorem

- In practice, for event generators we have to make them separately finite.
 - - Dipole subtraction.

$$\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = \int_{m+1} \left[d\sigma^R - d\sigma^A \right] + \int_m \left[d\sigma^V + \int_1 d\sigma^A \right]$$

- Merging with production.

SC, SD, MS, and ZT [[Nucl.Phys.B,vol.627, pp.189–265, 2002](#)]

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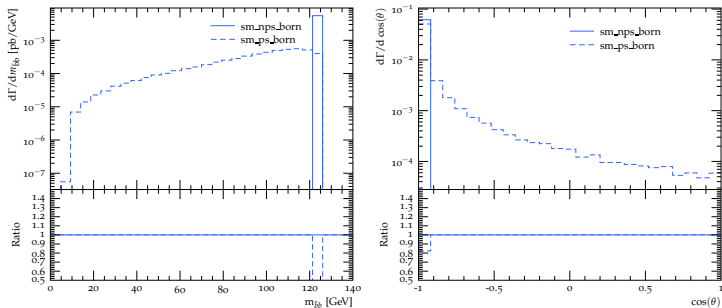


Figure 4: sm born level

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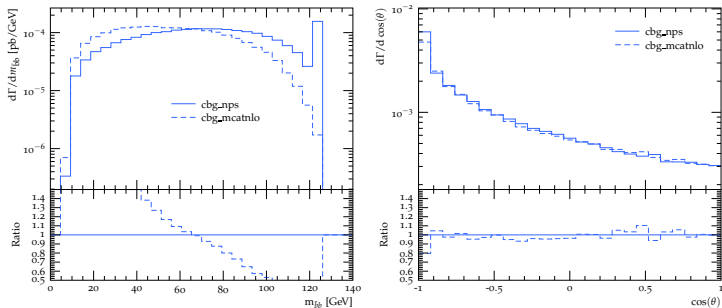


Figure 5: CbG

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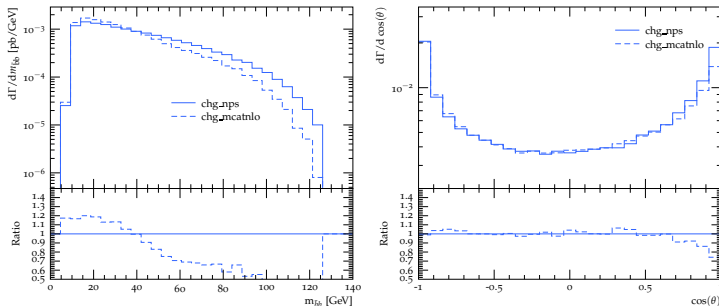


Figure 6: CHG

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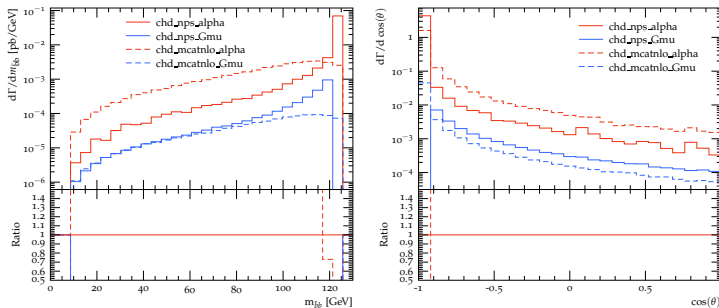


Figure 7: CHD

Validation: SHERPA Result with production

Process, $p p \rightarrow Z h \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \bar{b} b$.

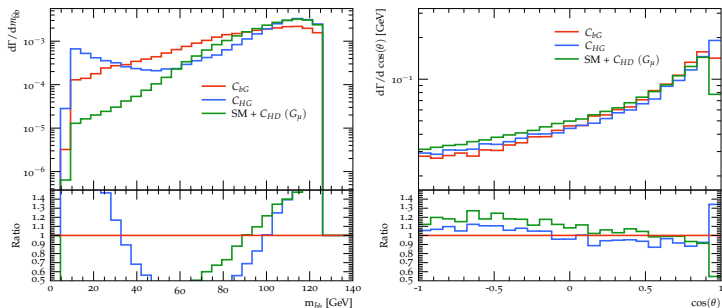


Figure 8: merged with production

Cuts: $m_{\mu^+ \mu^-} \in (75, 100)$, $p_T^\mu > 15$, $|\eta| < 2.5$

General: $h \rightarrow f\bar{f}$; $f = b, c, \tau, \mu$

The QED and QCD corrections:

$$\Gamma_{f,(g,\gamma)}^{(4,1)} = \Gamma_f^{(4,0)} \left(\frac{\delta_{f,q} C_F \alpha_s + Q_f^2 \alpha}{\pi} \right) \left[\frac{17}{4} + \frac{3}{2} \ln \left(\frac{\mu^2}{m_H^2} \right) \right],$$

$$\Gamma_{f,(g,\gamma)}^{(6,1)} = \Gamma_f^{(6,0)} \frac{\Gamma_{f,(g,\gamma)}^{(4,1)}}{\Gamma_f^{(4,0)}} + \frac{\bar{v}^2}{\pi} \Gamma_f^{(4,0)} \left\{ \frac{m_H^2}{\sqrt{2} v m_f} \left(\delta_{f,q} \frac{C_F}{g_s} \alpha_s C_{fG} + \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. \frac{Q_f}{e} \alpha (C_{fB} \hat{c}_W + 2 T_f^3 C_{fW} \hat{s}_W) \right) + (\delta_{f,q} C_F \alpha_s C_{HG} + Q_f^2 \alpha c_{h\gamma\gamma}) \times \right.$$

$$\left. \left[19 - \pi^2 + \ln^2 \left(\frac{\bar{m}_f^2}{m_H^2} \right) + 6 \ln \left(\frac{\mu^2}{m_H^2} \right) \right] \right.$$

$$\left. + c_{h\gamma Z} v_f Q_f \alpha F_{h\gamma Z} \left(\frac{M_Z^2}{m_H^2}, \frac{\mu^2}{m_H^2}, \frac{\bar{m}_f^2}{m_H^2} \right) \right\},$$

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where $v_f = (T_f^3 - 2Q_f\hat{s}_w^2)/(2\hat{s}_w\hat{c}_w)$ is the vector coupling of f to the Z -boson, T_f^3 is the weak isospin of fermion f (i.e. $T_\tau^3 = -\frac{1}{2}$ and $T_c^3 = \frac{1}{2}$), $\delta_{f,q} = 1$ if f is a quark and $\delta_{f,q} = 0$ if f is a lepton, $C_F = (N_c^2 - 1)/(2N_c)$ with $N_c = 3$.

The combinations of Wilson coefficients are:

$$c_{h\gamma\gamma} = C_{HB}\hat{c}_w^2 + C_{HW}\hat{s}_w^2 - C_{HWB}\hat{c}_w\hat{s}_w,$$

$$c_{h\gamma Z} = 2(C_{HB} - C_{HW})\hat{c}_w\hat{s}_w + C_{HWB}(\hat{c}_w^2 - \hat{s}_w^2).$$

$$F_{h\gamma Z}(z, \hat{\mu}^2, 0) = -12 + 4z - \frac{4}{3}\pi^2\bar{z}^2 + (3 + 2z + 2\bar{z}^2 \ln(\bar{z})) \ln(z) \\ + 4\bar{z}^2 \text{Li}_2(z) - 6 \ln(\hat{\mu}^2),$$

where $\bar{z} = 1 - z$.

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Conclusion

- Substantial progress has been made in NLO-SMEFT calculations over the past few years.
- For some processes it has been already implemented in MADGRAPH.
- We are currently implementing SMEFT-NLO (QCD & EW) Higgs decaying to fermion pair processes in SHERPA.
- Some of the cross-check and validation have been performed.

Future Plan

- We are planning to implement the same in case of the Drell-Yan process.

Suggestions for any other interesting processes are welcome!

Thanks for listening.

Backup

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Renormalisation

The counterterm amplitude can be constructed, and is generally written as

$$\mathcal{M}^{\text{C.T.}}(h \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = -\bar{u}(p_b) (\delta\mathcal{M}_L P_L + \delta\mathcal{M}_L^* P_R) v(p_{\bar{b}}).$$

The expression for the (real) SM counterterm is

$$\delta\mathcal{M}_L^{(4)} = \frac{m_b}{v_T} \left(\frac{\delta m_b^{(4)}}{m_b} + \delta Z_b^{(4)} \right),$$

and the corresponding dimension-6 counterterm is

$$\delta\mathcal{M}_L^{(6)} = \left(\frac{m_b}{v_T} C_{H,\text{kin}} \right) \left(\frac{\delta m_b^{(4)}}{m_b} + \delta Z_b^{(4)} \right) - \frac{v_T^2}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\delta C_{bH} + C_{bH} \delta Z_b^{(4)} \right) + \dots$$

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