

Higgs Boson Decays through the Order $O(\alpha\alpha_s)$

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- introduction
- decays into vector bosons
- decays into fermions
- conclusions

decays $H \rightarrow WW, H \rightarrow ZZ$

- lowest order

$$\Gamma_0(H \rightarrow VV) = \delta_V \frac{G_F m_H^3}{16\sqrt{2}\pi} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_V^2}{m_H^2}} \left(1 - \frac{4m_V^2}{m_H^2} + \frac{12m_V^4}{m_H^4} \right), \quad \delta_V = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{for } W \\ 1 & \text{for } Z \end{cases}$$

- EW corrections

Fleischer, Jerelehner '81, Hioki '89

Bardin et al '91, Kniehl '91

- effective theory

\implies pick up the leading corrections in the limit $m_t \rightarrow \infty$

$$- O(\alpha_s G_F m_t^2)$$

$$- O(\alpha_s^2 G_F m_t^2)$$

$$- O(G_F^2 m_t^4)$$

- $O(\alpha\alpha_s)$ correction

Djouadi, Gambino, Kniehl, Sirlin, Spira '93,'94

Kniehl, Steinhauser '95

Djouadi, Gambino, Kniehl '98

this calculation

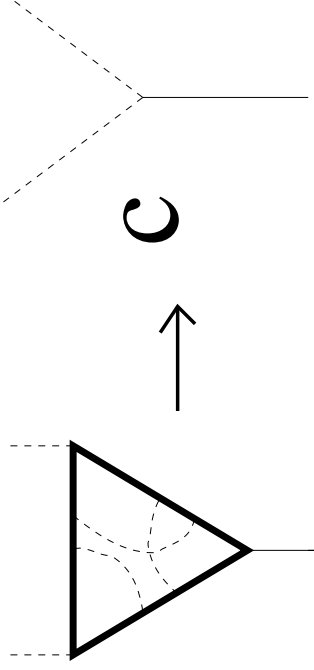
- **leading** terms $O(\alpha_s^j G_F m_t^2)$ can be computed within effective lagrangian approach In the Standard Model

$$L_{\text{Yukawa}} = -\frac{H}{v} m_t \bar{t} t$$

in the limit $m_t \rightarrow \infty$ “integrating out” t -quark \implies

$$L_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{H}{v} \left(+C_g G_{\mu\nu}^2 + \sum_q (C_q m_q \bar{q} q) + C_\gamma F_{\mu\nu}^2 + \dots \right)$$

with $C_j = C_j(m_t, \mu_F, \alpha_s)$ – perturbative coefficients



- **subleading** terms computed with large mass expansion (see later)

decays $H \rightarrow VV$. some results

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow VV) = \Gamma_{1\text{-loop}}^{\text{EW}} \left(1 + x_t \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} N_c C_F \Delta_{VV} \right)$$

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Using large mass expansion (see later):

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Analytical solutions are possible in cases of:

- gg or $\gamma\gamma$ Spira, Harlander
- $Z\gamma$ Spira, Zerwas

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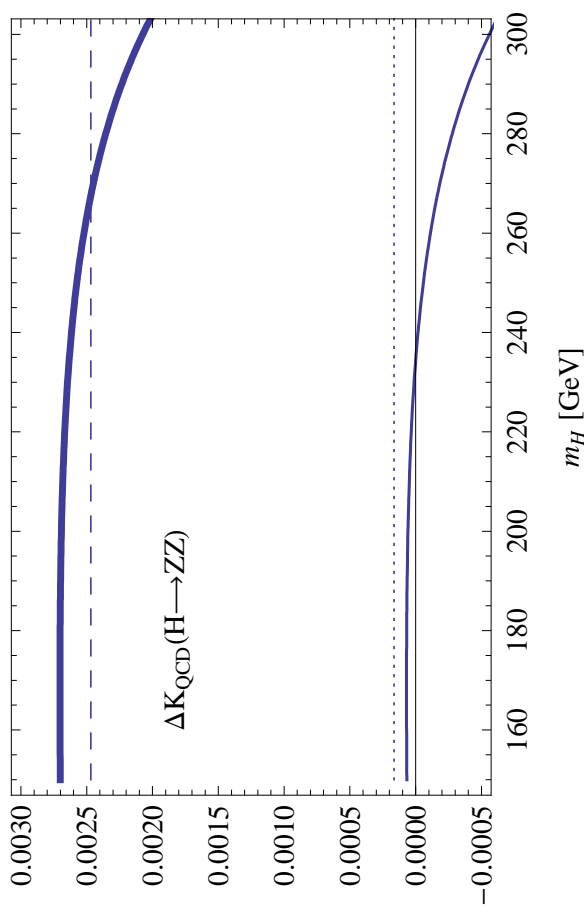
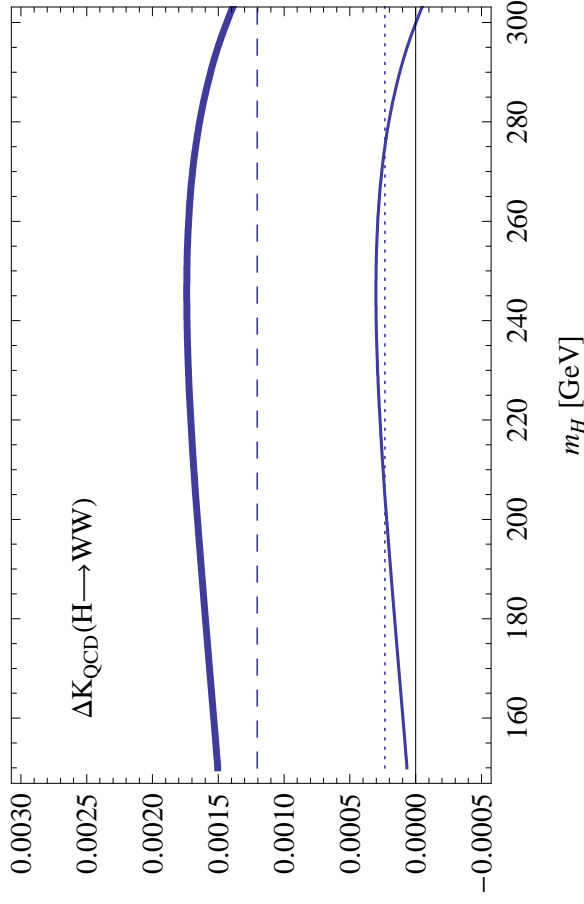
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e.g. for $m_H = 200 \text{ GeV}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{WW} &= 2.855 + 0.629 - 0.072 - 0.030 - 0.010 + \dots \\ \Delta_{ZZ} &= 5.855 + 0.238 - 0.058 - 0.028 - 0.010 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$(H \rightarrow VV)$ numerical evaluation

$$\Gamma = \Gamma_{1\text{-loop}}^{EW} (1 + \Delta K_{\text{QCD}})$$



- dashed line — $\alpha_s G_F m_t^2$
- solid line — subleading $\alpha_s G_F$ correction (this calculation)
- dotted line — $\alpha_s^2 G_F m_t^2$
- bold line — full QCD correction

decay $H \rightarrow \bar{b}b$

$$\Gamma_0(H \rightarrow \bar{b}b) = \frac{3G_F m_H}{4\sqrt{2}\pi} m_b^2(m_H)(1 + \delta_{\text{EW}} + \delta_{\text{QDC}} + \delta_{\text{EW/QCD}} + \dots)$$

- QCD correction up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$
Gorishny, Kataev, Larin, Surguladze '91
Larin, van Ritbergen, Vermaseren '95
Chetyrkin, Kwiatkowski '96
- EW corrections
Kniehl, Sirlin '93
Djouadi, Gambino '94
- leading heavy top terms
 \implies pick up the leading corrections in the limit $m_t \rightarrow \infty$
Djouadi, Gambino, Spira '93, '94
Butenschön, Fugel, Kniehl '07
- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha\alpha_s)$ correction
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Need to evaluate:

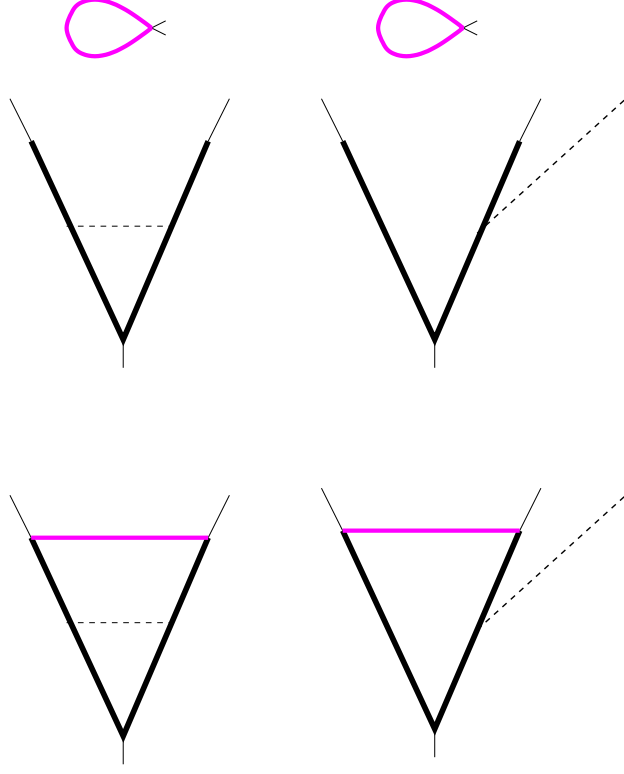
$$H \longrightarrow \bar{b}b, \quad H \longrightarrow g\bar{b}b, \quad H \longrightarrow \gamma\bar{b}b, \quad H \longrightarrow g\gamma\bar{b}b$$

diagrams of 3 types

- with γ -exchange
→ massless diagrams
- with W -exchange (contain top-quark)
→ large mass ($1/m_t$) expansion
- with Z -exchange
→ differential equations
- “universal” term (e.g. counterterms, Δr , pole mass M_b)
→ could be solved without any tricks

heavy top expansion

- consider $m_t^2 \gg m_W^2, m_H^2$
- in case of $H \rightarrow VV$ the actual parameter is $m_H^2/4m_t^2$
- in case of $H \rightarrow \bar{b}b$ the situation is worse
- some improvements are possible (resummations)
- examples:



differential equations

integration by parts identities (IBP):

$$\int d^d k_1 \dots d^d k_L \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\mu} \frac{q_\mu}{D_1^{a_1} D_2^{a_2} \dots D_r^{a_r}} = 0$$

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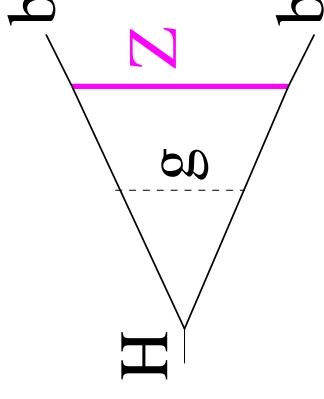
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$$H \rightarrow bb$$

diagrams with Z -boson \rightarrow one parameter

- diff. eq. w.r.t. $z = m_H^2/m_Z^2$
- solution in terms of H -functions



relevant functions

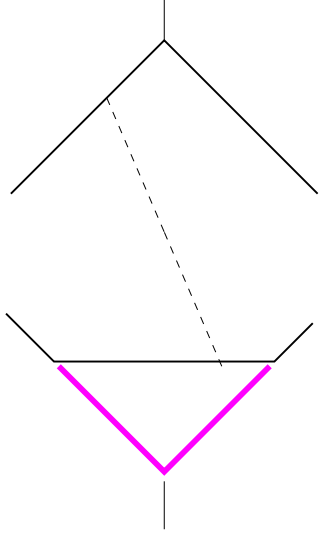
- introduce

$$H_{a,b,\dots,c}(z) = \int_0^z \frac{dx_1}{x_1 - a} \int_0^{x_1} \frac{dx_2}{x_2 - b} \dots \int_0^{x_k} \frac{dx_{k-1}}{x_{k-1} - c}$$

- in case $a, b, \dots, c = +1, -0, 1$ harmonic polylogarithms
- diagrams with HVV coupling require functions with $a, b, \dots, c = +1, 0, -1, +e^{i\pi/3}, -e^{i\pi/3}$
- functions up to weight 4(= $a + b + c + d$) are required

solutions

- all 2-loop diagrams are the same as in the case of quark formfactor $Z\bar{q}q$
Kühn, Kotikov, OV '03
- some new integrals in three particle cut diagrams



- representation of cut lines

$$\frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} \longleftrightarrow 2i\pi\delta(k^2 - m^2)$$

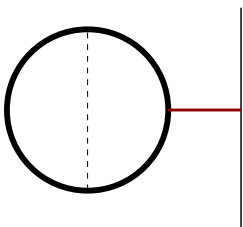
→ usual integration by part identities can be applied

the mass of b quark

- the are potentially large logarithms $L = \ln(m_H^2/m_b^2)$
- RG resummation with $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass $\overline{m}_b(\mu)$
- then width has tadpole contributions

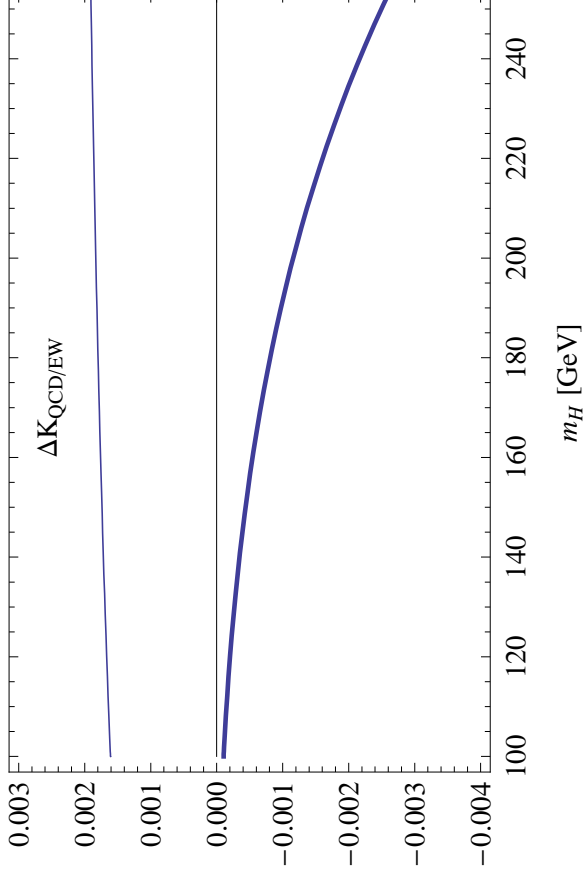
$$\sim \frac{\alpha N_c m_t^4}{\pi m_W^2 m_H^2 \sin^2 \theta_W}, \quad \sim \frac{\alpha \alpha_s N_c m_t^4}{\pi^2 m_W^2 m_H^2 \sin^2 \theta_W},$$

- if tadpoles are omitted the mass *generally* is gauge dependent
- in the on-shell scheme there are no contributions from tadpoles
- but there are large logs
- mixed schemes?



$(H \rightarrow \bar{b}b)$ numerical evaluation

(preliminary, 1-loop corrections are not included)



- solid line — leading
- bold line — subleading

conclusion

- $O(\alpha\alpha_s)$ corrections are evaluated for the main Higgs boson decay modes in the Higgs boson mass range $m_H \sim 100 - 300$ GeV
- for modes $H \rightarrow VV$ the subleading $O(\alpha\alpha_s)$ terms are small but at least as large as the 3-loop leading $O(\alpha\alpha_s^2 m_t^2)$ contributions
- for $H \rightarrow \bar{b}b$ the subleading $O(\alpha\alpha_s)$ contribution is of the same order as the leading $O(\alpha\alpha_s m_t^2)$ term