

2HDM Higgs Decays $h \rightarrow f\bar{f}$ in the Decoupling Scheme

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FlexibleDecay

- extension of spectrum-generator generator FlexibleSUSY
- enables automatic calculation of scalar decay widths in large variety of BSM models
- current public version: [\[Athron et al.'22\]](#)
 - in general: decays calculated at LO
 - for Higgs bosons: some higher-order SM corrections known from literature added
 - well-suited renormalization scheme used: “decoupling scheme”
- **goal:** implement full NLO calculation in decoupling scheme for $h \rightarrow f\bar{f}$

Decoupling Scheme

- definition of the decoupling scheme: [Kotlarski, Lang'25]
 - SM-like parameters in decoupling scheme numerically equal to $\overline{\text{MS}}$ parameters in SM:

$$p^{\text{dec}}(Q) = p^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{SM}}(Q)$$

with Q usually equal to mass of decaying particle

- bare parameter independent of scheme choice:

$$\begin{aligned} p_B &= p^{\text{dec}} + \delta p^{\text{dec}} = p^{\text{OS}} + \delta p^{\text{OS}} \\ p_B^{\text{SM}} &= p^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{SM}} + \delta p^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{SM}} = p^{\text{OS},\text{SM}} + \delta p^{\text{OS},\text{SM}} \end{aligned}$$

for any SM-like parameter p

- equality $p^{\text{OS}} = p^{\text{OS},\text{SM}}$ implies decoupling prescription:

$$\delta p^{\text{dec}} = \delta p^{\overline{\text{MS}},\text{SM}} + \delta p^{\text{OS}} - \delta p^{\text{OS},\text{SM}}$$

- $\overline{\text{MS}}/\overline{\text{DR}}$ renormalization applied to BSM parameters
- on-shell field renormalization adopted

2HDM (Type II)

- Higgs potential (with softly broken $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -symmetry):

$$\begin{aligned} V_H = & m_{11}^2 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1 + m_{22}^2 \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2 - m_{12}^2 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 + \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1) \\ & + \frac{\lambda_1}{2} (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1)^2 + \frac{\lambda_2}{2} (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + \lambda_3 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2) + \lambda_4 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1) \\ & + \frac{\lambda_5}{2} [(\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1)^2] \end{aligned}$$

with $m_{12}^2, \lambda_5 \in \mathbb{R}$

- Higgs-fermion coupling structure in type-II 2HDM:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = -y_u \bar{Q} \Phi_2^c u_R - y_d \bar{Q} \Phi_1 d_R - y_e \bar{L} \Phi_1 e_R + \text{h.c.}$$

- tree-level mixing in Higgs sector:

$$\begin{pmatrix} H \\ h \end{pmatrix} = R(\alpha) \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^0 \\ \phi_2^0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} G_0 \\ A \end{pmatrix} = R(\beta) \begin{pmatrix} \chi_1^0 \\ \chi_2^0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} G^\pm \\ H^\pm \end{pmatrix} = R(\beta) \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^\pm \\ \phi_2^\pm \end{pmatrix}$$

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- relations for tree-level Higgs masses:

$$m_h^2 = \frac{m_{12}^2}{s_\beta c_\beta} c_{\alpha-\beta}^2 + \left(\lambda_1 s_\alpha^2 c_\beta^2 + \lambda_2 c_\alpha^2 s_\beta^2 - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{345} s_{2\alpha} s_{2\beta} \right) v^2$$

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$$m_A^2 = \frac{m_{12}^2}{s_\beta c_\beta} - \lambda_5 v^2$$

$$m_{H^\pm}^2 = \frac{m_{12}^2}{s_\beta c_\beta} - \frac{\lambda_4 + \lambda_5}{2} v^2$$

with $\lambda_{345} = \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \lambda_5$

- choice of mostly physical parametrization:

$$P_{\text{phys}} = \underbrace{\{e, g_s, m_{f_i}, m_W^2, m_Z^2, m_h^2\}}_{=: P_{\text{phys}}^{\text{SM}}} \cup \underbrace{\{m_H^2, m_A^2, m_{H^\pm}^2, \lambda_5, \alpha, \beta\}}_{=: P_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BSM}}}$$

Decoupling Limit in the 2HDM

- result for decay shall correspond to SM result if:

h light, while H , A and $H^\pm$ heavy $\iff$ **decoupling limit**

- decoupling limit can be realized via:
 - Let Higgs mass parameters diverge while keeping them equal:

$$m_H = m_A = m_{H^\pm} =: \zeta \rightarrow \infty$$

- At same time, let $\cos(\alpha - \beta)$ vanish as:

$$\cos(\alpha - \beta) \sim \frac{1}{\zeta} \rightarrow 0$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_i$ remain small and thus perturbative!

Higgs Decay $h \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}$ in 2HDM Type II

Renormalized 1-loop vertex function:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\Gamma}_{h\ell\bar{\ell}}^{1\ell} &= h \text{ --- } \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \bar{\ell} \\ \searrow \ell \end{array} + h \text{ --- } \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \bar{\ell} \\ \circ \text{ (1-loop)} \\ \searrow \ell \end{array} + h \text{ --- } \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \bar{\ell} \\ \times \\ \searrow \ell \end{array} \\
 &= \frac{m_\ell \sin \alpha}{v \cos \beta} + \text{genuine 1-loop diagrams} \\
 &\quad + \frac{m_\ell \sin \alpha}{v \cos \beta} \left[\frac{\delta m_\ell}{m_\ell} - \delta Z_v + \cot \alpha \delta \alpha + \tan \beta \delta \beta + \frac{1}{2} (\delta Z_{hh} - \cot \alpha \delta Z_{Hh} + \delta Z_\ell^L + \delta Z_\ell^R) \right] \\
 &= F_L \mathbb{P}_L + F_R \mathbb{P}_R
 \end{aligned}$$

with counterterm containing:

- SM-like mass and coupling RCs $\rightarrow$ decoupling prescription
- field RCs $\rightarrow$ OS-renormalized
- mixing angle RCs $\rightarrow$ $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -renormalized ?

Mixing Angle Renormalization

- Higgs field renormalization:

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_{\text{bare}} \\ h_{\text{bare}} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{HH} & \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{Hh} \\ \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{hH} & 1 + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{hh} \end{pmatrix}}_{=: Z_H^{1/2}} \begin{pmatrix} H \\ h \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{1,\text{bare}}^0 \\ \phi_{2,\text{bare}}^0 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{11} & \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{12} \\ \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{21} & 1 + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{22} \end{pmatrix}}_{=: Z_\phi^{1/2}} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^0 \\ \phi_2^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- mixing angles as independent model parameters $\rightarrow$ need to be renormalized:

$$\alpha_{\text{bare}} = \alpha + \delta\alpha$$

- use relation between bare quantities in gauge and mass bases:

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_{\text{bare}} \\ h_{\text{bare}} \end{pmatrix} = R(\alpha_{\text{bare}}) \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{1,\text{bare}}^0 \\ \phi_{2,\text{bare}}^0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \sqrt{Z_H} = R(\delta\alpha) R(\alpha) \sqrt{Z_{\phi^0}} R(\alpha)^\dagger$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta\alpha = \frac{1}{4} (\delta Z_{Hh} - \delta Z_{hH}) + \frac{1}{4} (\delta Z_{21} - \delta Z_{12})$$

Mixing Angle Renormalization

- $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme:

→ part of “standard recipe” for decoupling scheme

– for UV-finiteness, diagonal $\sqrt{Z_\phi}$ sufficient:

$$\sqrt{Z_\phi} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{22} \end{pmatrix} \iff \delta Z_{12} = \delta Z_{21} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta\alpha^{\overline{\text{MS}}} = \frac{1}{4} (\delta Z_{Hh}^{\overline{\text{MS}}} - \delta Z_{hH}^{\overline{\text{MS}}}) = \left. \frac{\Sigma_{Hh}(m_h^2) + \Sigma_{Hh}(m_H^2) - 2\delta t_{Hh}}{2(m_H^2 - m_h^2)} \right|_{\text{div}}$$

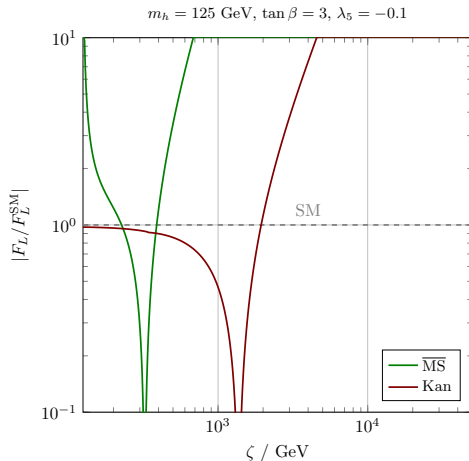
- Kanemura scheme: [Kanemura et al.'04]

– idea: use symmetric $\sqrt{Z_\phi} \iff \delta Z_{12} = \delta Z_{21}$

$$\Rightarrow \delta\alpha^{\text{Kan}} = \frac{1}{4} (\delta Z_{Hh}^{\text{OS}} - \delta Z_{hH}^{\text{OS}}) = \frac{\Sigma_{Hh}(m_h^2) + \Sigma_{Hh}(m_H^2) - 2\delta t_{Hh}}{2(m_H^2 - m_h^2)}$$

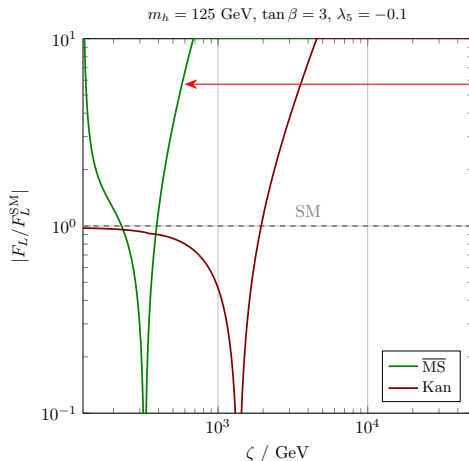
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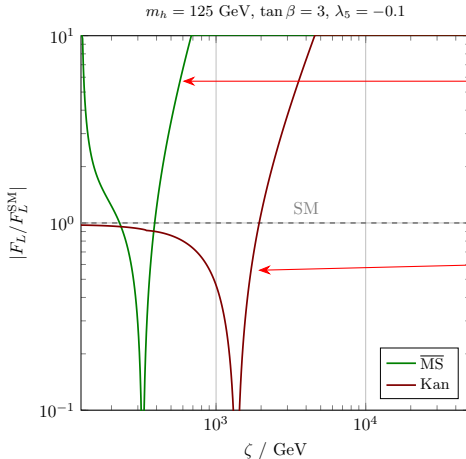
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Kanemura scheme:

more stable, but still non-
decoupling due to incomplete
cancellation of δZ_{Hh}

$$\delta\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\delta Z_{Hh} = \frac{\Sigma_{Hh}(m_H^2) - \Sigma_{Hh}(m_h^2)}{2(m_H^2 - m_h^2)}$$

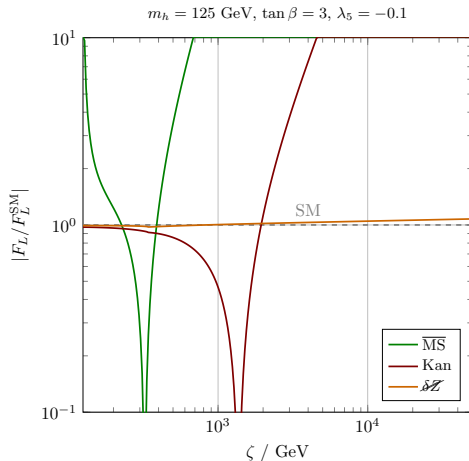
Mixing Angle Renormalization

- δZ -cancelling scheme:
 - idea: modify $\delta\alpha$ such that finite parts of δZ_{Hh} and δZ_{hh} are cancelled
 - this implies:

$$\delta\alpha^{\cancel{Z}} := \delta\alpha^{\overline{\text{MS}}} + \frac{1}{2} \delta Z_{Hh}^{\text{OS}} \Big|_{\text{fin}} - \frac{\tan \alpha}{2} \delta Z_{hh}^{\text{OS}} \Big|_{\text{fin}}$$

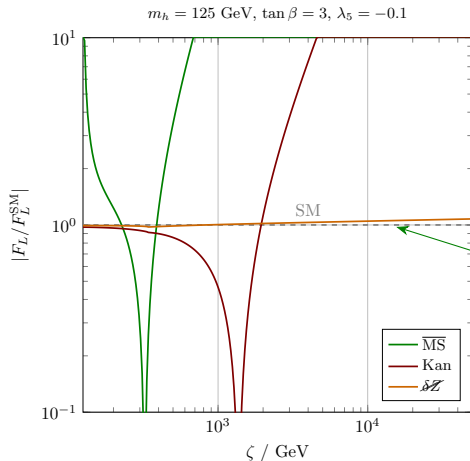
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δZ scheme:
Decoupling almost achieved!

Conclusion

- 2HDM as testing ground for automated scalar decay calculation in models with extended Higgs sector by FlexibleSUSY/FlexibleDecay
- behaviour for $\zeta \rightarrow \infty$ strongly scheme dependent $\Rightarrow$ importance of cancellation between δZ_{hh} , δZ_{Hh} and $\delta\alpha$
- problem: how can alignment/decoupling limit be defined at loop-level?
- **idea:** renormalize α such that

$$\cos(\alpha - \beta) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad h \text{ is fully SM-like}$$

or at least

$$\cos(\alpha - \beta) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \hat{\Gamma}_{h\ell\ell}^{2\text{HDM}} = \hat{\Gamma}_{h\ell\ell}^{\text{SM}, \overline{\text{MS}}}$$