Effective Field Theories and Anomalous Gauge Couplings

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Advantages:

- We have a well-defined QFT (incl. gauge invariance etc.).
- We know how to include higher orders (in EFT and in QFT).
- There are almost no assumptions on the UV physics.

Both approaches are important.



For a model-independent analysis we use the bottom-up approach.

However, for a complete picture, we need both approaches:

- bottom-up: Tells us about deviations from the SM.
- top-down: Tells us about the UV-model causing them.
- ⇒ The bottom-up EFT should always be understood as low-energy approximation of a (so far unknown) UV completion!

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decoupling (linear) EFT: - SMEFT -• LO: SM

- expansion in canonical dimensions
- ⇒ "testing physics beyond the (complete) Standard Model"

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Properties:

• It has generalized Higgs-couplings compared to the SM.

 \Rightarrow related to the κ -formalism at LO.

- There is a hierarchy to the operators that modify the EWPD.
- It captures the low-energy effects of strongly-coupled new physics (similar to ChPT).
- It is non-renormalizable at LO.

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{EWCh} = & \mathcal{L}_{kin}^{h,\psi,\text{gauge}} + \frac{v^2}{4} \langle (D_{\mu}U)(D^{\mu}U^{\dagger}) \rangle \ (1 + F_U(h)) - \mathcal{V}(h) \\ & - (v \, \bar{\psi}_f U \, Y_f(h) \psi_f + \text{h.c.}) + \mathcal{L}_{\text{NLO}} \end{aligned}$$

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\underline{EWChL} I: The result is consistent with the SM.

- The likelihood has multiple maxima (c_i → −c_i symmetries).
- We use a prior to select the SM-like solution.
- More details about the choice of priors are in [1803.00939,JHEP].
- Consistent with SM, but $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ deviations still possible.
- $c_{Z\gamma}$ and c_c are not constrained beyond prior.



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- Non vanishing coefficients a₄ and a₅ imply resonances based on unitarity arguments.
 e.g. see Delgado et al. [1707.04580,JHEP]
- Such resonances will also show up in final states involving Higgs.
 Dobado et al. [1711.10310.JHEP]
- And through indirect (top-down EFT) effects. Krause et al. [1810.10544,JHEP]

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Ways to reduce these numbers:

- ✓ by symmetries (MFV, CP, ...)
- ✓ by (classes of) UV-models, see dictionary of de Blas et al. [1711.10391, JHEP]

\times by choice

 \Rightarrow Keep in mind the RGEs!

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One should keep in mind that our Lagrangian is not \mathcal{L}_{SM} , but \mathcal{L}_{SMEFT} :

- The definition of input values like $\alpha_{ew}, m_Z, G_F, m_W$ depend on $c_i^{(6)}$.
- The same applies to the values of V_{CKM} . Brivio/Trott [1701.06424, JHEP];
- And the PDFs. Descotes-Genon et al. [1812.08163, JHEP]; Carrazza et al. [1905.05215]

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But they also modify the gauge-fermion vertices:

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FIG. 2. Leading lepton p_T distribution of 8 TeV LHC $W^+W^$ events in the $e\mu$ channel when each anomalous coupling is turned on individually, compared with experimental data (dots with error bars) and SM predictions (gray dotted). The latter, together with non-WW backgrounds (gray shaded), are taken from [S]. Effects of anomalous TGCs being considered in recent TGC fits (solid) are clearly *not* dominant over those of δ_{ZR}^{Zu} , δ_{ZR}^{Zd} (dashed) consistent with EWPD, calling for extension of the conventional TGC analysis procedure.

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 \Rightarrow extracted limits become model-dependent.

Is the EET still valid there?

• And on a related note, what happens to unitarity?

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Ideas for discussion:

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