

# Two-loop electroweak corrections to the matching of $\alpha_s$ in the Standard Model

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# The SM RGEs and Vacuum instability

- RGEs allow one to predict the behavior of the higgs effective potential at large values of Higgs field  $\phi \gg v$ .
- The crucial parameters for the SM stability RGE analysis are the Higgs self-coupling  $\lambda$ ,

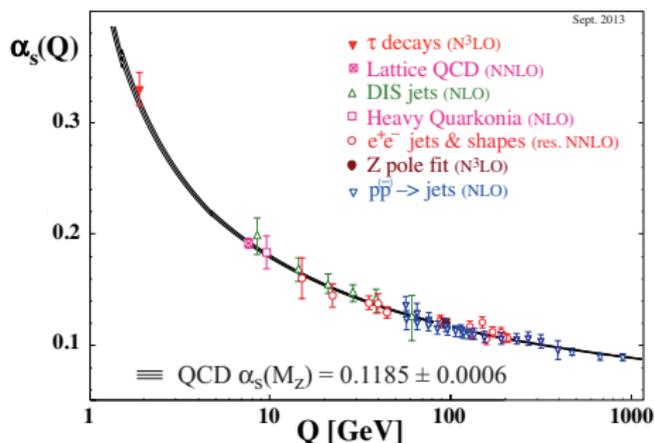
$$V_{\text{eff}}(\phi \gg v) \simeq \frac{\lambda(\mu = \phi)}{4} \phi^4$$

top Yukawa coupling  $y_t$  and the strong coupling  $\alpha_s = g_s^2/(4\pi)$

$$(4\pi)^2 \frac{d\lambda}{dt} = 12\lambda^2 + 6y_t^2\lambda - 3y_t^4 + \dots$$
$$(4\pi)^2 \frac{dy_t}{dt} = \frac{9}{4}y_t^3 - 4g_s^2y_t + \dots$$

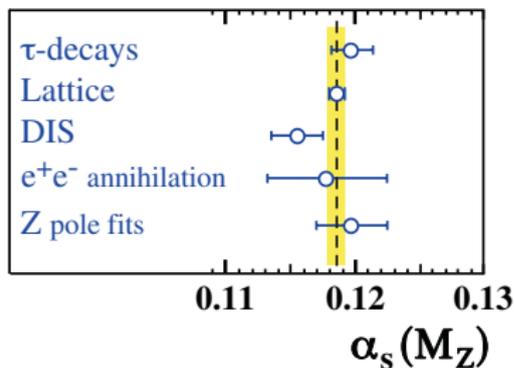
with  $t = \ln \mu^2 / \mu_0^2$

# Observed running of $\alpha_s$



- Observed running of the strong coupling (PDG'14 [O<sup>+</sup>14])
- World average at  $\mu = M_Z$  scale in  $\overline{MS}$  scheme
  - ▶ Dimensional regularization  
 $D = 4 \rightarrow D = 4 - 2\epsilon$
  - ▶ (Modified) Minimal subtractions - only poles in  $\epsilon$  (and a universal constant) go to the renormalization factors.

# Experimental determination of $\alpha_s$



Summary of values of  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  in  $n_f = 5$  QCD obtained with “pre-averaging” in certain sub-classes.

We need  $\alpha_s(\mu)$  in the SM!

- $e^+e^-$  annihilation
  - ▶  $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1177 \pm 0.0046$
- EW precision fits
  - ▶  $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1197 \pm 0.0028$
- DIS
  - ▶  $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1154 \pm 0.020$
- $\tau$ -lepton
  - ▶  $\alpha_s(M_\tau) = 0.330 \pm 0.014 \Rightarrow \alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1197 \pm 0.016$
- Lattice
  - ▶  $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1185 \pm 0.0005$

## QCD embedded in the SM

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- In the QCD embedded in the SM, quark mass terms are generated via Yukawa interactions with the Higgs vacuum expectation value  $v$ :

$$m_q = \frac{y_q v}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- Due to spontaneous symmetry breaking (SSB) all other SM masses are also proportional to  $v$

$$M_W^2 = \frac{g_2^2 v^2}{4}, \quad M_Z^2 = \frac{g_1^2 + g_2^2}{4} v^2, \quad M_h^2 = 2\lambda v^2$$

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- Introducing fine-structure constant  $\alpha$  and Weinberg angle  $\theta_W$

$$(4\pi)\alpha = \frac{g_1^2 g_2^2}{g_1^2 + g_2^2} = g_2^2 \sin^2 \theta_W = g_1^2 \cos^2 \theta_W$$

- Parametrization used in this work

$$y_q^2 = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{\sin^2 \theta_W} \frac{m_q^2}{M_W^2}, \quad \lambda = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{8 \sin^2 \theta_W} \frac{M_h^2}{M_W^2}$$

- ▶ All the parameters here are bare (or  $\overline{MS}$  renormalized) ones.
- ▶ NB: In the formal limit  $v \rightarrow \infty$  the mass ratios are finite.

## Parameter values and the choice of renormalization scheme

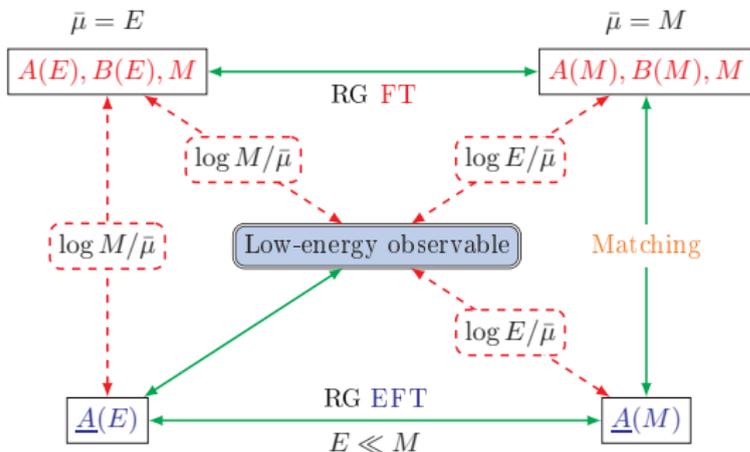
- The values of the SM parameter are not predicted by the theory but should be extracted from an experiment via matching procedure.
- In the QCD sector, due to confinement, one usually adopts  $\overline{MS}$  scheme to define the running  $\alpha_s(\mu)$ .
- In order to determine the corresponding value, an observable  $\mathcal{O}$  is matched to the corresponding theoretical prediction

$$\mathcal{O} = \alpha_s^k(\mu) [c_0(\mu) + c_1(\mu)\alpha_s(\mu) + c_2(\mu)\alpha_s^2(\mu) + \dots],$$

so that  $\alpha_s(\mu_0)$  at some matching  $\mu_0$  is extracted.

- To avoid large logarithms the scale  $\mu_0$  is usually chosen around the typical scale involved in the measurement of  $\mathcal{O}$  (e.g. momentum transfer  $Q^2$ ).
- However, in  $\overline{MS}$  additional effort is required if a theory involves different mass scales (apparent violation of the Appelquist & Carazzone decoupling theorem[AC75])

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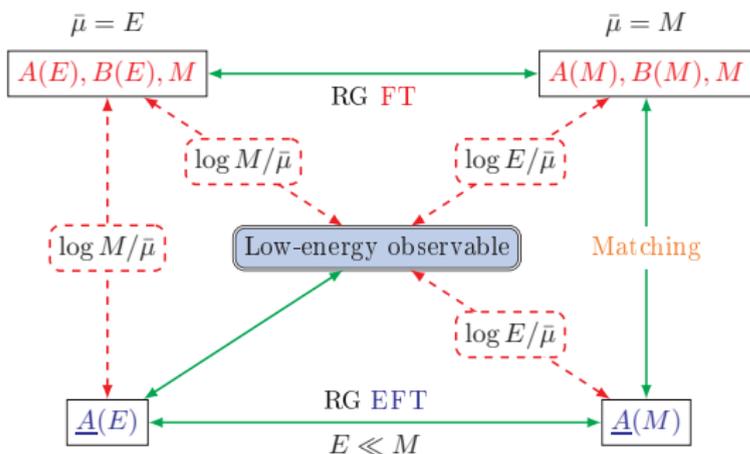
A well-known example:

- $A(\bar{\mu}) = \alpha_s^{(6)}(\bar{\mu})$ ,
- $M = M_t$ ,
- $\bar{A}(\bar{\mu}) = \alpha_s^{(5)}(\bar{\mu})$

Matching 6-flavor QCD with 5-flavor QCD without top quark.

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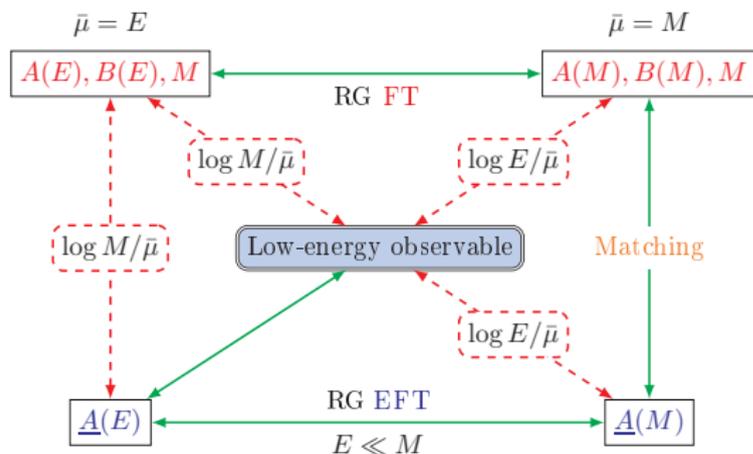
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- At low scales  $E \ll M$  one can neglect  $\mathcal{O}_i$  and consider renormalizable version of ET.
- The two couplings are related through matching condition:

$$\underbrace{\alpha_s^{(n_f-1)}(\mu)}_{\bar{A}(\mu)} = \underbrace{\alpha_s^{(n_f)}(\mu)}_{A(\mu)} \underbrace{\left[ 1 + \sum_i \frac{\alpha_s^i(\mu)}{(4\pi)^i} C_i(L) \right]}_{\zeta_{\alpha_s}\text{-decoupling constant}}, \quad L = \ln \frac{M^2}{\mu^2}$$

- Coefficients  $C_i$  are known up to the four-loop level,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$  (see, e.g., [CKS00, SS06, KKOV06, CKS06]).

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- From the phenomenological point of view we miss a lot of electroweak physics, governed at low energies by the Fermi constant  $G_F$ !

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- Nevertheless, our task is to study the running of  $\alpha_s^{SM}(\mu)$  in  $\overline{MS}$  extracted from  $\alpha_s^{(5)}(\mu)$  at some matching scale  $\mu_0 \simeq 100 - 200$  GeV
- Due to the *chosen*  $\overline{MS}$  scheme, the result is also valid in the effective QED  $\times$  QCD  $\times$  Fermi theory!

## How to find matching relation?

- In order to match the SM and our effective theory, one, in principle, needs to consider some **1 PI Green functions** predicted in both models.
- Asymptotic expansion in large mass  $M$  (LME) of the SM result should reproduce the dependence on “**soft**” scales given by effective theory prediction in each order of  $\frac{1}{M^2}$ .
- The dependence on “**hard**” scales is **absorbed** in the (re)definition of the effective theory couplings.
- The rules of LME tells us that the expansion (in terms of Feynman diagrams) consists of
  - ▶ the “hard part” [all internal momenta  $q_i \sim M$
  - ▶ the “soft part” [all internal momenta  $q_i \ll M$ ]
  - ▶ a mixture of hard and soft lines, some internal lines have  $q_i \simeq M$  and some have  $q_k \ll M$

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- Due to this, it is tempting to calculate the “hard” part via Taylor expansion **of the integrand** in small external momentum and masses.
- An obvious subtlety: such an expansion can generate (spurious) infra-red (IR) divergencies upon integration, which should be properly “subtracted”.
- A convenient way to deal with this problem is to use dimensional regularization and perform matching at **the bare level**, e.g.,

$$\alpha_{s,0}^{(5)} = \zeta_{\alpha_s,0} \times \alpha_{s,0}, \quad \alpha_{s,0} \equiv \alpha_{s,0}^{SM}$$

## Matching bare parameters

$$\alpha_s^{(5)} = \zeta_{\alpha_s,0}[\alpha_s, \alpha_0, M_0] \times \alpha_s,0$$

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in which different  $\zeta$ s are found by considering three- and two-point 1PI Green functions **in the SM** so that

- $\zeta_{cGc,0}$  and  $\zeta_{qGq,0}$  correspond to the leading terms in Taylor expansion of the integrand of the ghost-gluon and (light)-quark-gluon vertices, respectively.
- $\zeta_{c,0}$ ,  $\zeta_{G,0}$ ,  $\zeta_{q,0}$  involve only  $\ln M/\mu$  terms coming from ghost, gluon and quark propagators.

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Taylor expansion can produce spurious IR-divergent  $\frac{1}{(q^2)^2}$  terms, which, upon integration, lead to additional IR poles in  $\epsilon = (4 - d)/2$  in bare  $\zeta$ s.

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$$\alpha_s^{(5)}(\mu) = \frac{Z_{\alpha_s}[\alpha_s, \alpha, M]}{Z_{\alpha_s^{(5)}}[\alpha_s^{(5)}]} \zeta_{\alpha_s,0} [Z_{\alpha_s} \alpha_s, Z_\alpha \alpha, Z_M M] \times \alpha_s(\mu)$$

Due to SU(3) gauge invariance, the bare decoupling constant  $\xi_{\alpha_s,0}$  can be found in a number of ways:

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But the spurious IR poles are canceled in the matching relation for the running couplings *after* renormalization.

## A comment on Gauge independence and tadpole diagrams

The calculation was carried out in a general  $R_\xi$  gauge, parametrized by four gauge-fixing parameters  $(\xi_G, \xi_W, \xi_Z, \xi_\gamma)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{g.f.}} = & -\frac{1}{2\xi_G} (\partial_\mu G_\mu)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu A_\mu)^2 \\ & -\frac{1}{\xi_W} |\partial_\mu W_\mu^+ - i\xi_W M_W \phi^+|^2 - \frac{1}{2\xi_Z} (\partial_\mu Z_\mu - \xi_Z M_Z \chi)^2\end{aligned}$$

- The result for  $\zeta_{\alpha_s}$  expressed in terms of the pole masses is **free** from gauge-fixing parameters.
- However, the bare expression  $\zeta_{\alpha_s,0}$  looks gauge-dependent (e.g., due to the top quark self-energy) if tadpoles are not properly accounted for (see [FJ81]).
- We follow [ACOV03] here.

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- We assume that the bare vev  $v_0$  minimizes the effective potential so that loop-generated tadpoles  $T$  are canceled by a tree-level term  $t_0$  (already at the bare level)

$$i \cdot t_0 \quad - \quad i \cdot T \quad = 0$$

- It is convenient to cast the **bare** vev into the following form with non-minimal  $Z_{v_0}$ . The latter is determined in PT by canceling tadpoles order by order ([ACOV03])

$$v_0 = Z_{v_0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot v_{tree,0}, \quad v_{tree,0}^2 \equiv \frac{m_0^2}{\lambda_0} \Rightarrow \frac{M_{h,0}^2}{2\lambda_0}$$

$$t_0 = \left[ \frac{M_h^2 M_W \sin \theta_w}{e} \right]_0 (Z_{v_0} - 1) Z_{v_0}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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In terms of the top pole mass  $M_t$  (all  $\mu$ -dependence of  $X$ s is explicit)

$$\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s}^{(1)} = X_{\alpha_s}^{(1)} \ln \frac{M_t^2}{\mu^2}, \quad X_{\alpha_s}^{(1)} = \frac{4}{3} T_f = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s}^{(2)} = X_{\alpha_s^2}^{(0)} + X_{\alpha_s^2}^{(1)} \ln \frac{M_t^2}{\mu^2} + X_{\alpha_s^2}^{(2)} \ln^2 \frac{M_t^2}{\mu^2},$$

$$X_{\alpha_s^2}^{(0)} = \left( \frac{32}{9} C_A - 15 C_F \right) T_f = -\frac{14}{3}$$

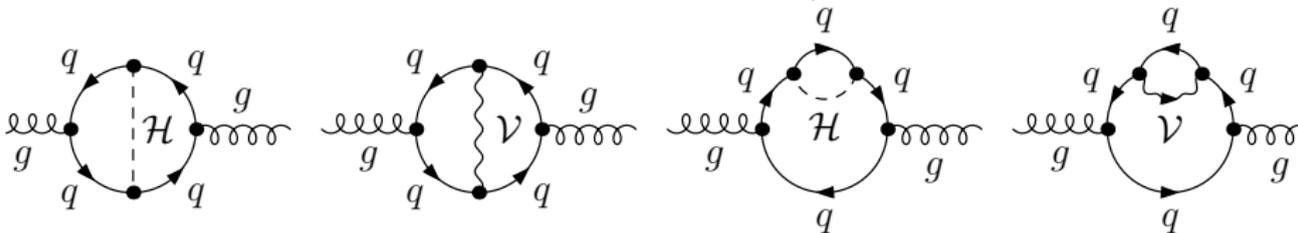
$$X_{\alpha_s^2}^{(1)} = \frac{16}{9} T_f^2 = \frac{4}{9}, \quad X_{\alpha_s^2}^{(2)} = \left( \frac{20}{3} C_A + 4 C_F \right) T_f = \frac{38}{3}$$

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Diagrams contributing to  $\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s \alpha}^{(2)}$  ( $\mathcal{H} = h_0, \phi^\pm, \chi$  - higgs and would be goldstone bosons,  $\mathcal{V} = W^\pm, Z, q$  - different quarks)



The corresponding integrands are expanded in external momentum  $Q$  and masses of light quarks (all but  $t$ ). For consistency, **Yukawa interactions of light quarks are also neglected.**

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In terms of PDG'14 particle pole masses (all  $\mu$ -dependence of  $X$ s is explicit) new result is given by ( $x_{ij} \equiv M_i/M_j$ )

$$\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s \alpha}^{(2)} = \frac{M_t^2}{M_W^2 s_W^2} \left( X_{\alpha_s \alpha}^{(1)} \ln \frac{M_t^2}{\mu^2} + X_{\alpha_s \alpha}^{(0)} \right), \quad \frac{M_t^2}{M_W^2 s_W^2} = 20.8(2)$$

$$X_{\alpha_s \alpha}^{(1)} = -1 + x_{wt}^2 \left( \frac{2}{9} + \frac{22}{9} x_{wz}^2 \right) + \frac{11}{6} x_{zt}^2 = -0.034(15)$$

$$X_{\alpha_s \alpha}^{(0)} = -1.17(2) \quad \text{to be compared with } X_{\alpha_s^2}^{(0)} = -\frac{14}{3}$$

See arXiv:1410.7603 [Bed14] for analytic result in terms of  $x_{ij}$

Enhancement factor due to the top Yukawa coupling  $y_t$ :  $\alpha_s \alpha \frac{M_t^2}{M_W^2 s_W^2} \sim \alpha_s^2$

## Extraction of $\alpha_s^{SM}$ from $\alpha_s^{(5)}$

- By construction, given the parameters of the SM one can find the value of the effective coupling  $\alpha_s^{(5)}$ .
- However, it is  $\alpha_s^{(5)}(\mu)$  which is fitted to observables the QCD.
- Due to this, one is interested in the inverse relation (obtained in PT):

$$\alpha_s = \alpha_s^{(5)} \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s^{(5)}}{4\pi} \delta\zeta_{\alpha_s'}^{(1)} + \frac{(\alpha_s^{(5)})^2}{(4\pi)^2} \delta\zeta_{\alpha_s'}^{(2)} + \frac{\alpha_s^{(5)} \alpha}{(4\pi)^2} \delta\zeta_{\alpha_s' \alpha}^{(2)} \right)$$

$$\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s'}^{(1)} = \delta\zeta_{\alpha_s^{(5)}}^{(1)} = -\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s}^{(1)}$$

$$\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s'}^{(2)} = -\left( \delta\zeta_{\alpha_s}^{(2)} - 2(\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s}^{(1)})^2 \right)$$

$$\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s' \alpha}^{(2)} = -\delta\zeta_{\alpha_s \alpha}^{(2)}$$

## Numerical analysis of the $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s\alpha)$ correction

- In order to analyze the calculated correction we take the matching scale is  $\mu = M_Z$  and use PDG'14 values of the pole masses.
- The quoted world averages  $\alpha_s^{(5)}(M_Z) = 0.1185$ ,  $\alpha^{-1} = 127.04$  is assumed to be fitted within the effective theory.
- At  $Z$  - boson mass scale (three-loop contribution  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$  is also shown):

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1185 \cdot \left[ 1 - \underbrace{0.008067}_{\alpha_s} - \underbrace{0.000965}_{\alpha_s^2} + \underbrace{0.000143}_{\alpha_s\alpha} + \underbrace{0.000018}_{\alpha_s^3} \right],$$

- In principle, final result for the running  $\alpha_s^{SM}(\mu \gg M_Z)$  should not depend on the matching scale. However, due to truncation of the series, there is a residual dependence on  $\mu$
- As a consequence, the matching scale is usually chosen of the order of electroweak scale so that no large logs appear in the relation (effectively re-sum logarithms  $\ln M_Z/\mu$ ).

# Scale dependence of the decoupling corrections

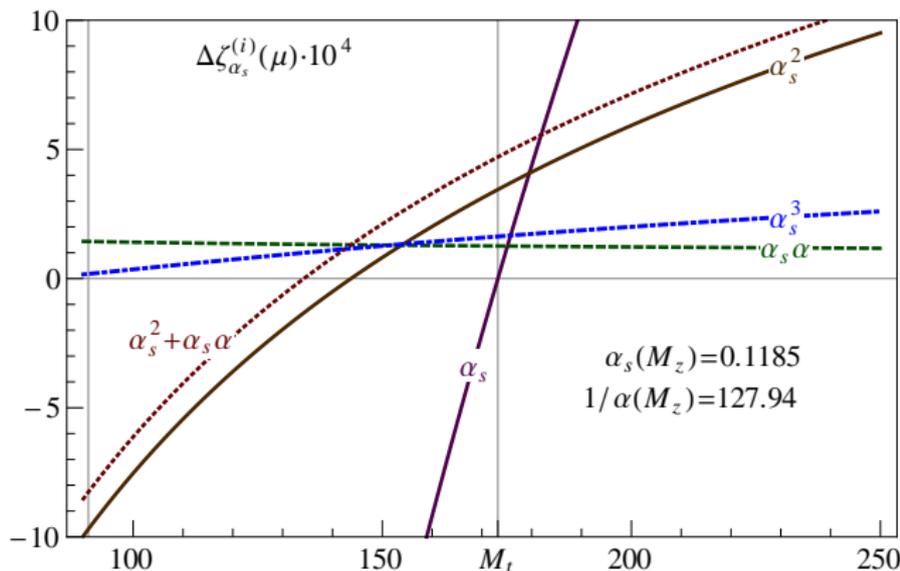
The scale dependence of different matching corrections:

$\alpha_s$  in terms of  $\alpha_s^{(5)}$

$$\Delta\zeta_{\alpha_s}^{(\alpha_s)} \equiv \frac{\alpha_s^{(5)}}{(4\pi)} \delta\zeta_{\alpha_s^{(5)}}^{(1)},$$

etc

Four-loop running up to the matching scale via RunDec [CKS00] package.



$$\alpha_s(M_t) = 0.10800 \cdot \left( 1 + \underbrace{0.00034}_{\alpha_s^2} + \underbrace{0.00013}_{\alpha_s \alpha} + \underbrace{0.00016}_{\alpha_s^3} \right)$$

# Conclusions

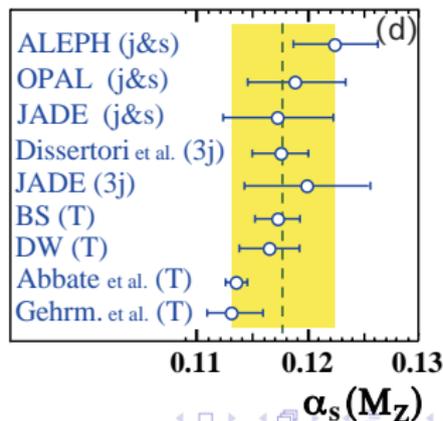
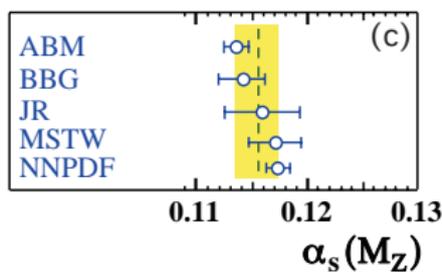
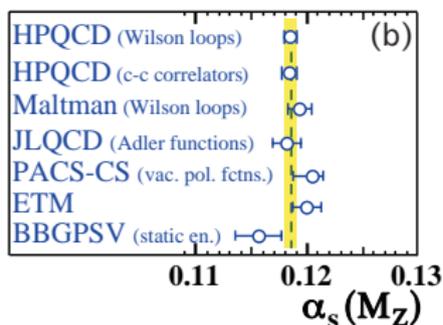
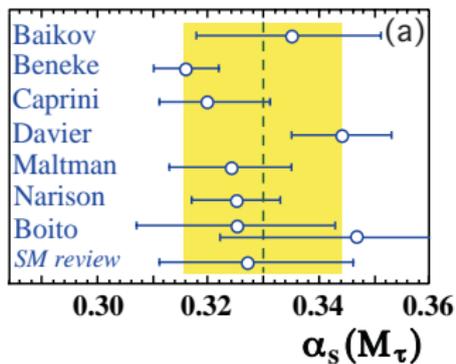
- Electroweak corrections to the matching relation between  $\alpha_s$  of the SM and effective  $\alpha_s^{(5)}$  are found and expressed either in terms of particle pole masses or  $\overline{MS}$  running masses in an explicit gauge-invariant way.
- The corrections, when evaluated at the electroweak scale, are found to be comparable with pure three-loop QCD contribution usually taken into account in three-loop RGE analysis of the SM.
- However, the relative value of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s\alpha)$  correction is typically around  $10^{-4}$ , which is currently below the uncertainty in determination of  $\alpha_s^{(5)}$ .
- Nevertheless, we hope that the result presented here is a necessary step towards future precise analysis of the SM.

Thank you for your attention!

Some backup slides

## Issues with $\alpha_s$ determination

Measurements within the sub-classes seems to be marginally compatible with each other within the quoted uncertainties



## A comment on Gauge independence and tadpole diagrams

$$v_0 = Z_{v_0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot v_{tree,0}, \quad v_{tree,0}^2 \equiv \frac{m_0^2}{\lambda_0}$$

- The “tree-level” bare  $v_{tree,0}$  is gauge-invariant by construction, since it is defined in terms of the Lagrangian parameters.
- This allows one to define gauge-invariant bare and  $\overline{MS}$  renormalized particle masses, e.g., for the Higgs mass

$$[3\lambda_0 v_0^2 - m_0^2] \rightarrow M_{h,0}^2 + \frac{3}{2} M_{h,0}^2 (Z_{v_0} - 1)$$

$$M_{h,0}^2 \equiv 2\lambda_0 v_{tree,0}^2 = 2m_0^2$$

$$M_{h,0}^2 = Z_{M_h^2}(\mu) m_h^2(\mu), \quad Z_{M_h^2} = Z_\lambda Z_v = Z_{m_0^2}$$

with minimal renormalization constants  $Z_{M_{h^2}}$ ,  $Z_\lambda$ ,  $Z_{m^2}$ , and  $Z_v$ .

- The same is true for other masses (in particular,  $M_t$ )!

## A comment on Gauge independence and tadpole diagrams

- This approach allows us to obtain bare  $\zeta_{\alpha_s,0}$  free from gauge-fixing parameters and, as a consequence, an explicit gauge-independent expression for

$$\alpha_s^{(5)} = \alpha_s \zeta_{\alpha_s} = \alpha_s \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \delta\zeta_{\alpha_s}^{(1)} + \frac{\alpha_s^2}{(4\pi)^2} \delta\zeta_{\alpha_s}^{(2)} + \frac{\alpha_s \alpha}{(4\pi)^2} \delta\zeta_{\alpha_s \alpha}^{(2)} + \dots \right),$$

in which  $\delta\zeta$ s are given in terms of  $\overline{MS}$  parameters and involve  $\ln \frac{m_t^2(\mu)}{\mu^2}$  instead of  $\ln \frac{M_t^2}{\mu^2}$ .



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