

Two-loop self-energies in SUSY

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Supersymmetry predicts

- Lots of new particles to discover at LHC*
- A light Higgs[†]
- An era of perturbative control[‡]

I will discuss Strategy and Tactics for computing physical masses at two loops and beyond, and their implementation for the Higgs scalars.

*almost certainly

†probably

‡hopefully

Masses are key observables in SUSY. Predictions of specific models allow/require precise calculations.

Sparticle mass corrections are known at one loop order. (Probably not adequate for gluino and squarks, at least.)

Higgs sector: Full 2-loop effective potential + partial 2-loop self-energy. ~ 1 GeV?

At LHC, $\Delta m_{h^0} \sim 100\text{-}200$ MeV.

At LC, $\Delta m_{h^0} \sim 50$ MeV.

Theory calculations must advance so as not to be an obstacle to understanding.

If all other quantities held constant:

$$\frac{\partial m_{h^0}}{\partial m_t} \approx 0.4 \left(\frac{120 \text{ GeV}}{m_{h^0}} \right) \left(\frac{m_t}{175 \text{ GeV}} \right)^3 \log \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{t}}}{m_t} \right)$$

Need both accurate measurement of top mass, and two-loop threshold corrections to top mass.

To calculate physical masses

Evaluate self-energy = sum of 1-particle irreducible Feynman diagrams:

$$\Pi(s) = \Pi^{(1)}(s) + \Pi^{(2)}(s) + \dots$$

The complex pole mass

$$s_{\text{pole}} = M^2 - i\Gamma M$$

is the solution of:

$$\det[m_{\text{tree}}^2 + \Pi(s) - s] = 0.$$

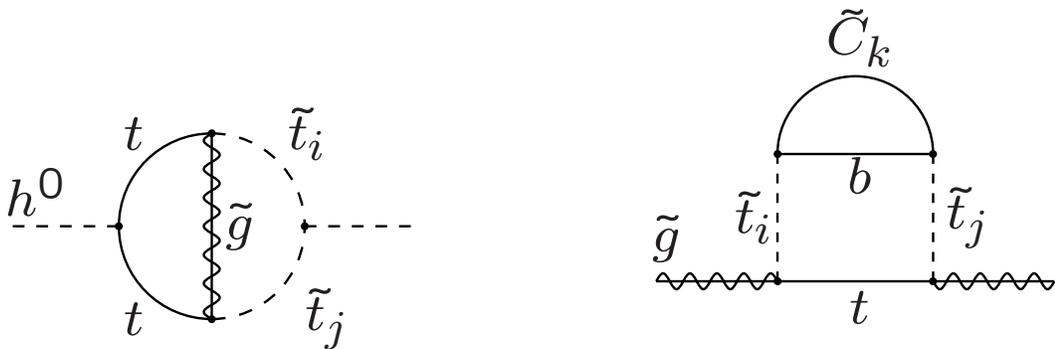
The pole mass is gauge invariant at each order in perturbation theory, can be related to kinematic masses as measured at colliders.

There are a finite number of two-loop, two-point Feynman diagrams. Why not just do them once, store the results, and get it over with?

A key feature of the problem: many distinct particles.

- **2-loop diagrams involve many different mass scales simultaneously.**

For example:



etc.

Large, diverse hierarchies of ratios of squared masses.

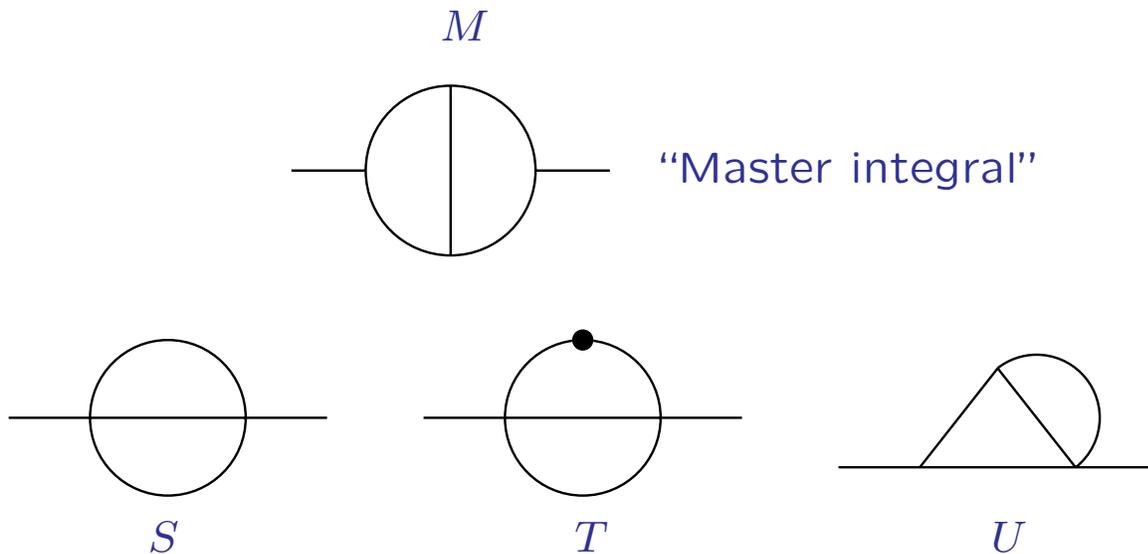
- **Method should be generic, reuseable from start to finish.**

Do calculations for scalars, fermions, vectors in a general field theory. Then apply to Higgs, squarks, sleptons, and quarks, gluino, charginos, neutralinos, ...

Strategy:

- Reduce all self-energies in general theory to a few basis integrals
- Basis integrals contain \overline{DR}' (or \overline{MS}) counter-terms, so finite.
- Numerically evaluate basis integrals quickly and reliably for arbitrary values of masses.

Tarasov's basis and recurrence relations:



Can always reduce 2-loop self-energies to a linear combination of these, with coefficients rational functions of:

- $s = p^2 =$ external momentum invariant
- $x, y, z, \dots =$ internal propagator masses

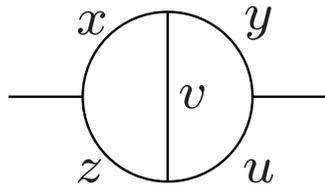
To evaluate basis integrals:

Values at $s = 0$ are known analytically, in terms of logs, dilogs.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial s}(\text{basis integral}) &= (\text{another self-energy integral}) \\ &= (\text{linear combination of basis integrals}) \end{aligned}$$

So, we have a set of coupled, first-order, linear differential equations.

Consider the Master integral $M(x, y, z, u, v)$:



and the basis integrals obtained from it by removing propagator(s):

$$\begin{aligned} &U(x, z, u, v), U(y, u, z, v), U(z, x, y, v), U(u, y, x, v), \\ &S(x, u, v), T(x, u, v), T(u, x, v), T(v, x, u), \\ &S(y, z, v), T(y, z, v), T(z, y, v), T(v, y, z) \end{aligned}$$

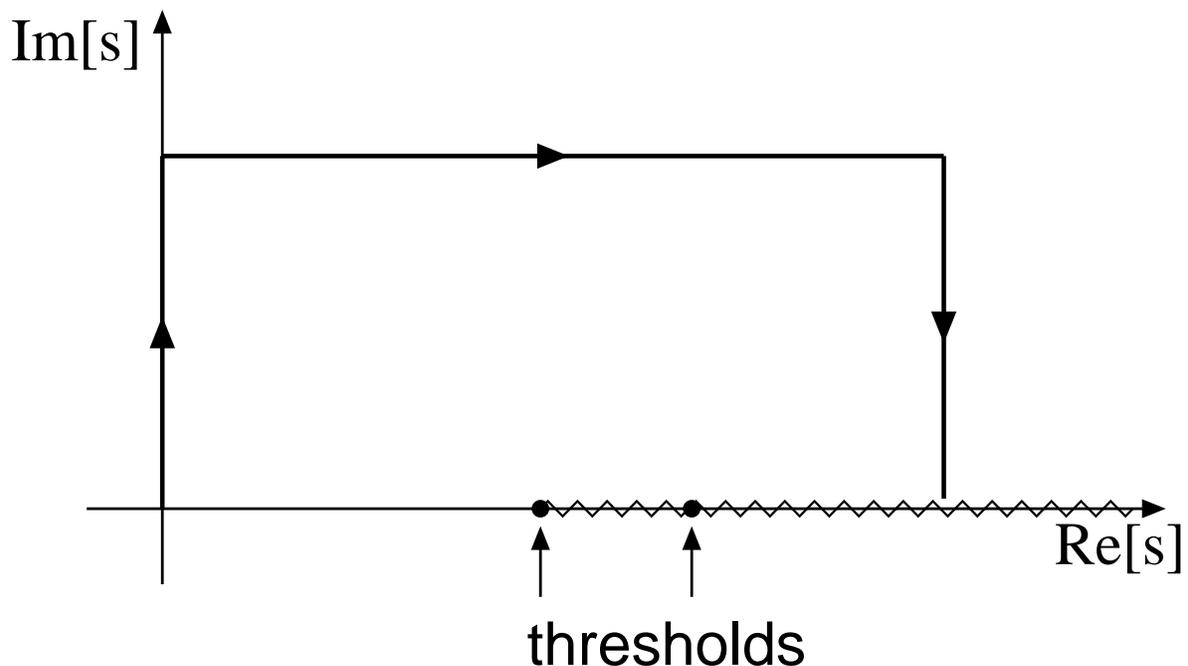
Call these 13 integrals I_n , ($n = 1, \dots, 13$).

Differential equations method for basis integrals

$$\frac{d}{ds} I_n = \sum_m K_{nm} I_m + C_n$$

Here K_{nm} are rational functions of s and x, y, z, \dots , and C_n are one-loop integrals. These are obtained by using Tarasov's recursion relations.

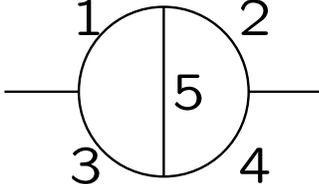
Solve for basis integrals I_n using Runge-Kutta integration in the complex s -plane, starting from known values at $s = 0$.

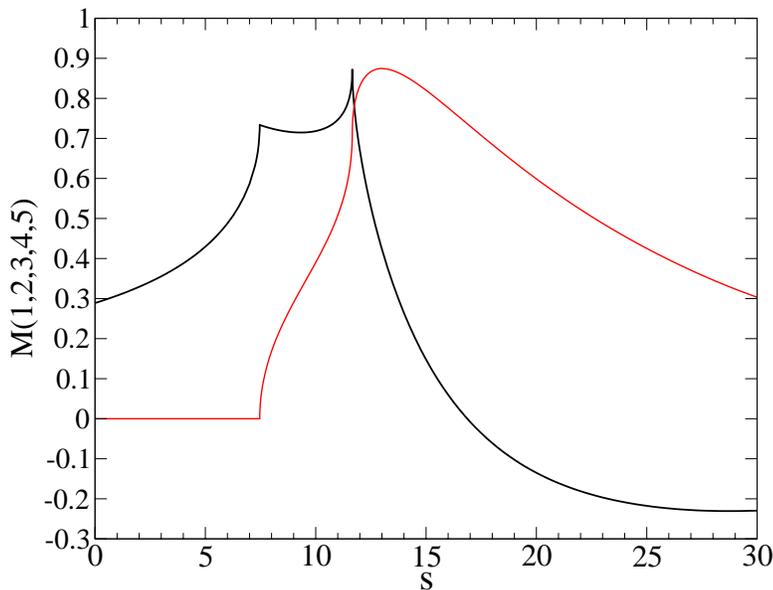


Method implemented for S, T, U type integrals by Caffo, Czyz, Laporta, Remiddi.

I have extended the method to also work for M .

Examples:

$$M(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) =$$




Black = real part
Red = imag. part

Note sharp
behavior near
thresholds!

Takes \lesssim 1 second on a modern workstation to compute $M(x, y, z, u, v)$ and 12 subordinate basis integrals U, S, T for generic masses.

Takes few seconds for some (pathological) special cases.

Advantages of the method:

- Basis integrals can be computed for any values of all masses and s , to arbitrary accuracy.
- All necessary basis integrals are obtained simultaneously in a single numerical computation.
- Branch cuts automatically dealt with correctly by choosing integration contour in upper-half complex s plane.
- Simple checks on the numerical accuracy follow from changing choice of contour.

SPM, [hep-ph/0307101](#)

SPM and D.G. Robertson, C program, to appear.

Mathematica program available now by request.

Sloooooow. NO WARRANTY.

Applications

2-loop squark pole masses, in progress.
(Almost done.)

2-loop top-quark, gluino pole masses.
(This summer?)

Partial 2-loop self-energies, pole masses for all
MSSM Higgs scalars (h^0, H^0, A^0, H^\pm).

All contributions to Higgs $\Pi(s)$ of order:

$$\begin{aligned} &\alpha_s y_t^2, \alpha_s y_b^2, \alpha_s y_t y_b, \\ &\alpha_s g^2, \alpha_s g g', \alpha_s g'^2 \\ &y_t^4, y_t^3 y_b, y_b^2 y_t^2, y_b^3 y_t, y_b^4, y_\tau^4, y_b^2 y_\tau^2 \end{aligned}$$

are now included.

Previous results used the effective potential approximation, in which $\Pi^{(2)}(s)$ is approximated by $\Pi^{(2)}(0)$ when computing the pole mass. (That approximation relies on $m_{h^0}^2 \ll m_t^2, m_{\tilde{t}}^2$.)

Technical notes:

- I use the supersymmetric version of dimensional reduction, \overline{DR}' . (Epsilon-scalar masses are removed by redefinition of scalar masses.)
- I expand around minimum of the two-loop effective potential, not the tree-level potential. (Therefore, tadpole graphs need not be included.)
- I use Landau gauge for electroweak gauge bosons, general gauge for gluons.

To find Higgs scalar pole masses:

$$\det[\mathbf{m}_{\text{tree}}^2 + \Pi(s) - s\mathbf{1}] = 0$$

Solutions to this eigenvalue equation are

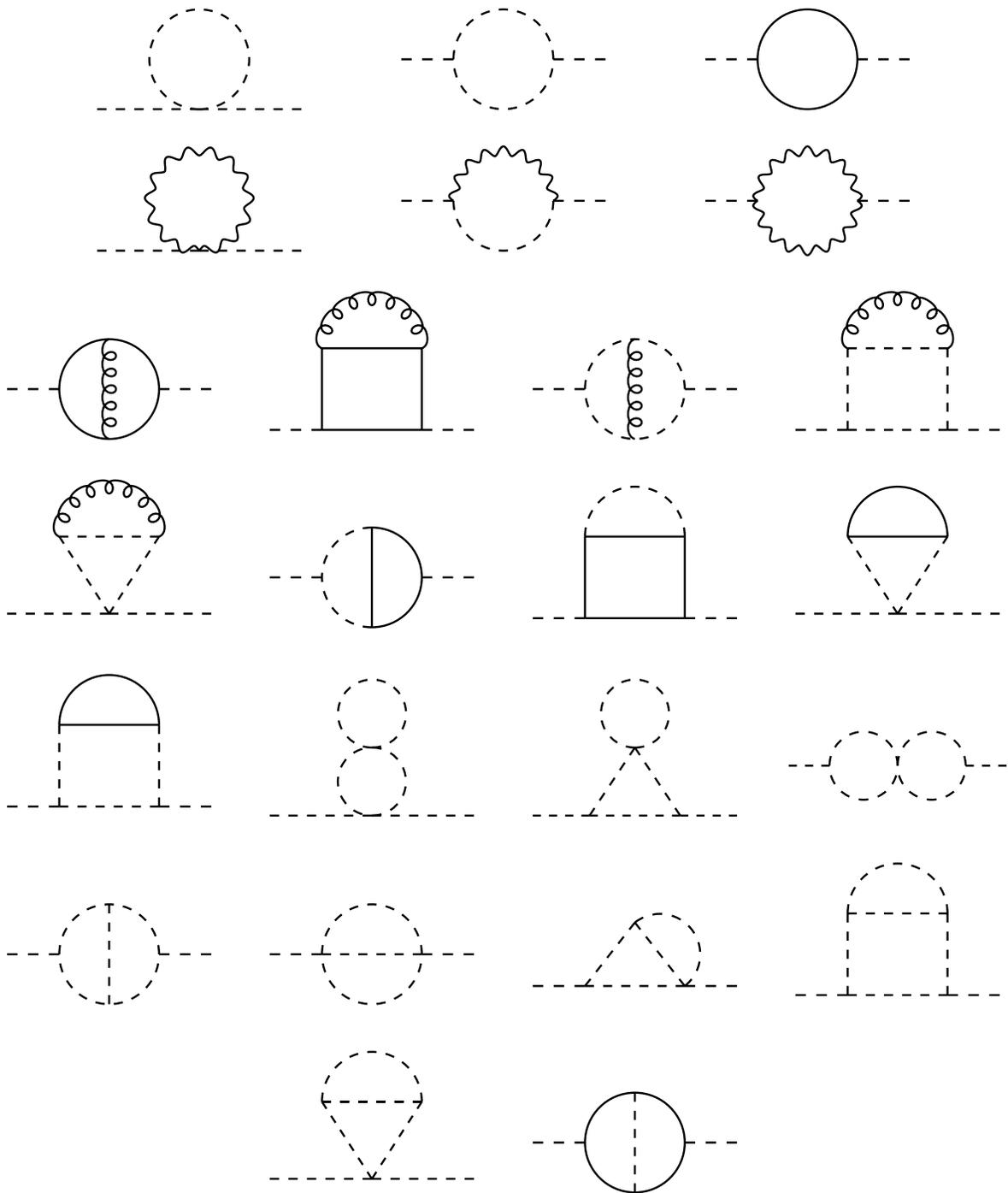
$$s_p = \text{complex pole masses} = M^2 - i\Gamma M.$$

Here $\Pi(s)$ is a:

- 4×4 matrix for neutral scalars h^0, H^0, G^0, A^0 .
- 2×2 matrix for charged scalars G^\pm, H^\pm .

Note: CP conservation NOT assumed anywhere.

The diagrams:



40 diagram topologies (counting fermion mass insertions)

A Simple Limit

Let $M_{\text{SUSY}} =$ common squark, gluino mass, and assume

$$M_{\text{SUSY}}^2 \gg m_t^2 \gg m_{h^0}^2$$

Keep only leading term in α_s .

Result:

$$\begin{aligned} m_{h^0, \text{pole}}^2 &= m_Z^2 \cos^2(2\beta) \\ &+ \frac{y_t^2}{16\pi^2} [m_t^2 \Delta_1 + m_{h^0}^2 \Delta'_1 + \dots] \\ &+ \frac{g_3^2 y_t^2}{(16\pi^2)^2} [m_t^2 \Delta_2 + m_{h^0}^2 \Delta'_2 + \dots] \end{aligned}$$

where, with $L \equiv \log(M_{\text{SUSY}}^2/m_t^2)$,

$$\Delta_1 = 12L,$$

$$\Delta'_1 = 2 - 3L,$$

$$\Delta_2 = 96L^2 + 32L - 32,$$

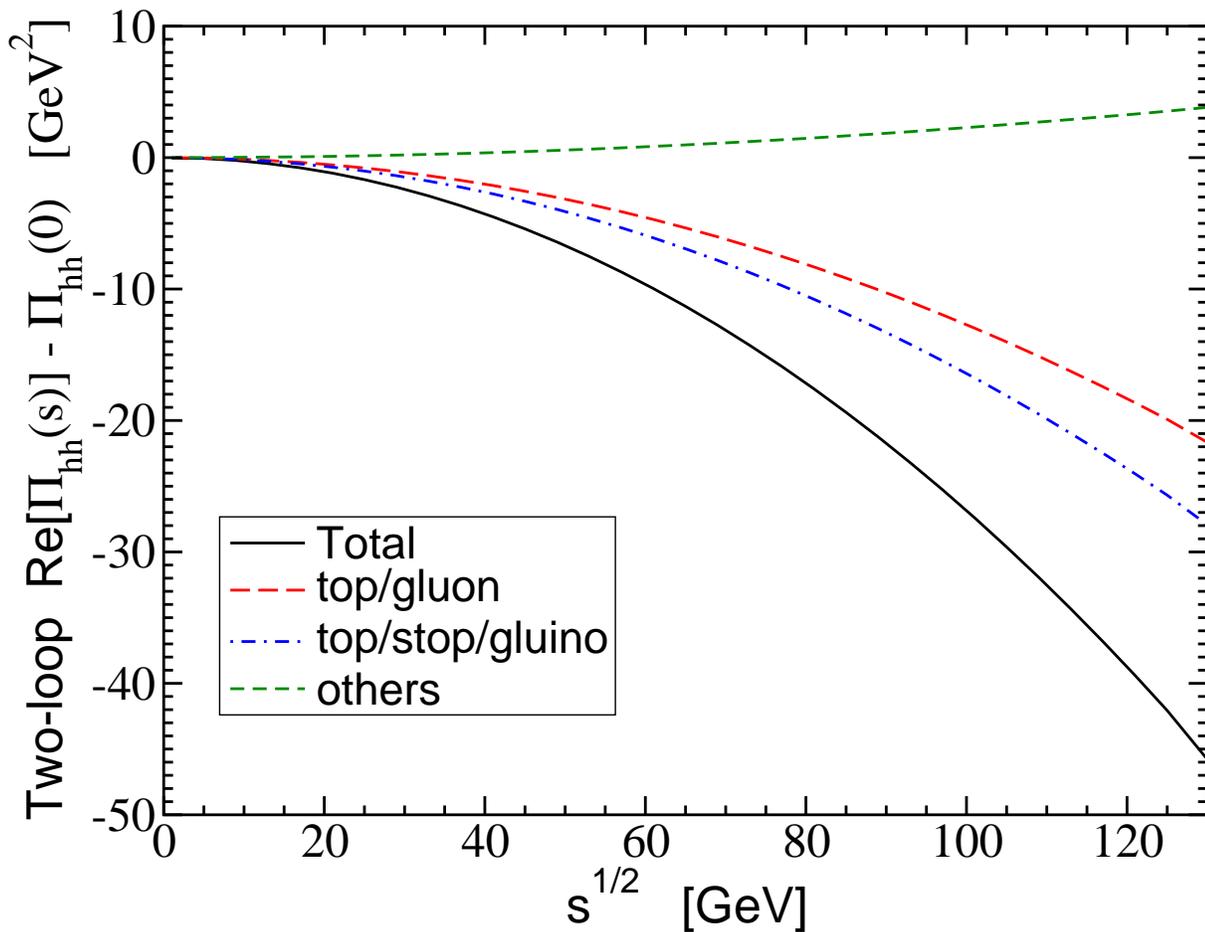
$$\Delta'_2 = -12L^2 + 12L + 44/3. \quad \text{NEW!}$$

Note: Δ'_2 is smaller than naive estimate. Leading log approximation is not great.

Two-loop contribution to self-energy:

$$\text{Re}[\Pi_{h^0 h^0}(s)] - \Pi_{h^0 h^0}(0)$$

Turns out to have significant cancellations, so smaller than naive expectation:



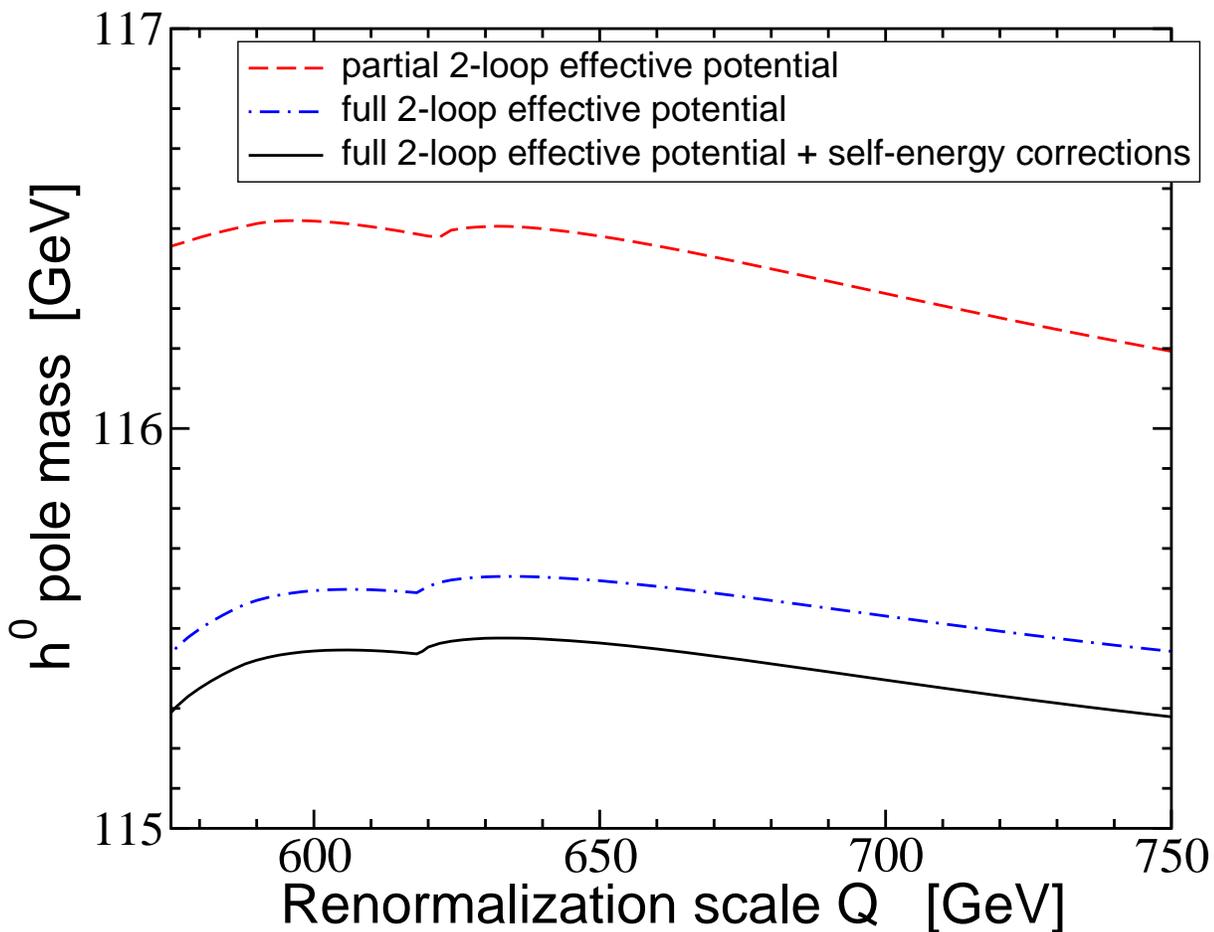
Diagrams with top-quark loop and strong interactions dominates the momentum-dependent contribution to the self-energy.

Use this to obtain the pole mass:

To obtain pole mass, full 2-loop effective potential + partial momentum-dependent contributions to self-energy:

$$\Pi^{(2)}(s) \approx \Pi_{\text{par}}^{(2)}(s) - \Pi_{\text{par}}^{(2)}(0) + \Pi^{(2)}(0)$$

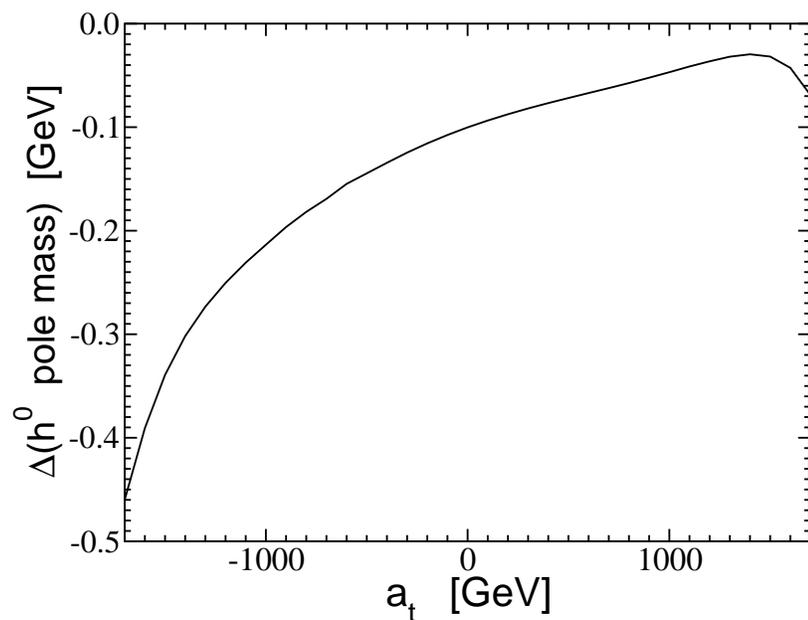
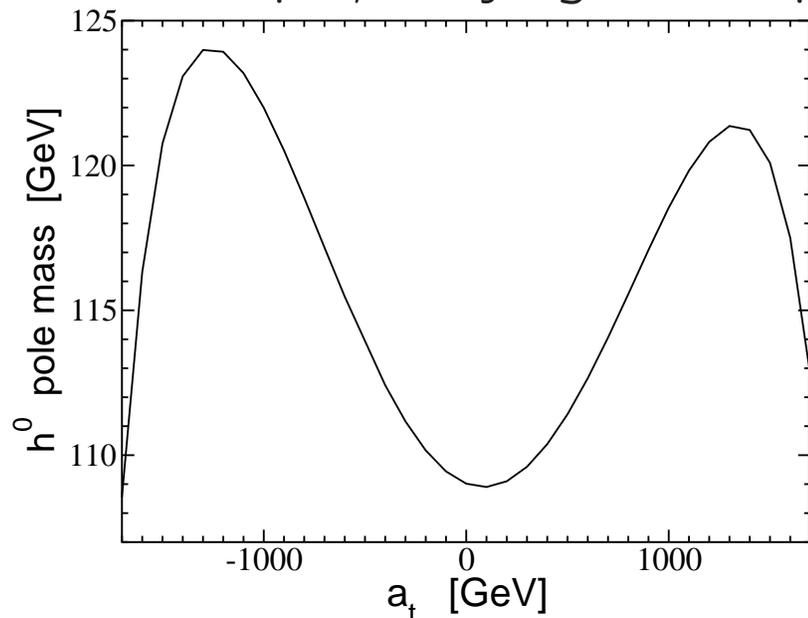
The last term is obtained numerically to arbitrary accuracy from the derivatives of the full 2-loop effective potential (SPM, hep-ph/0206136).



Effect on pole mass is to lower by 160 MeV, compared to full two-loop effective potential approximation.

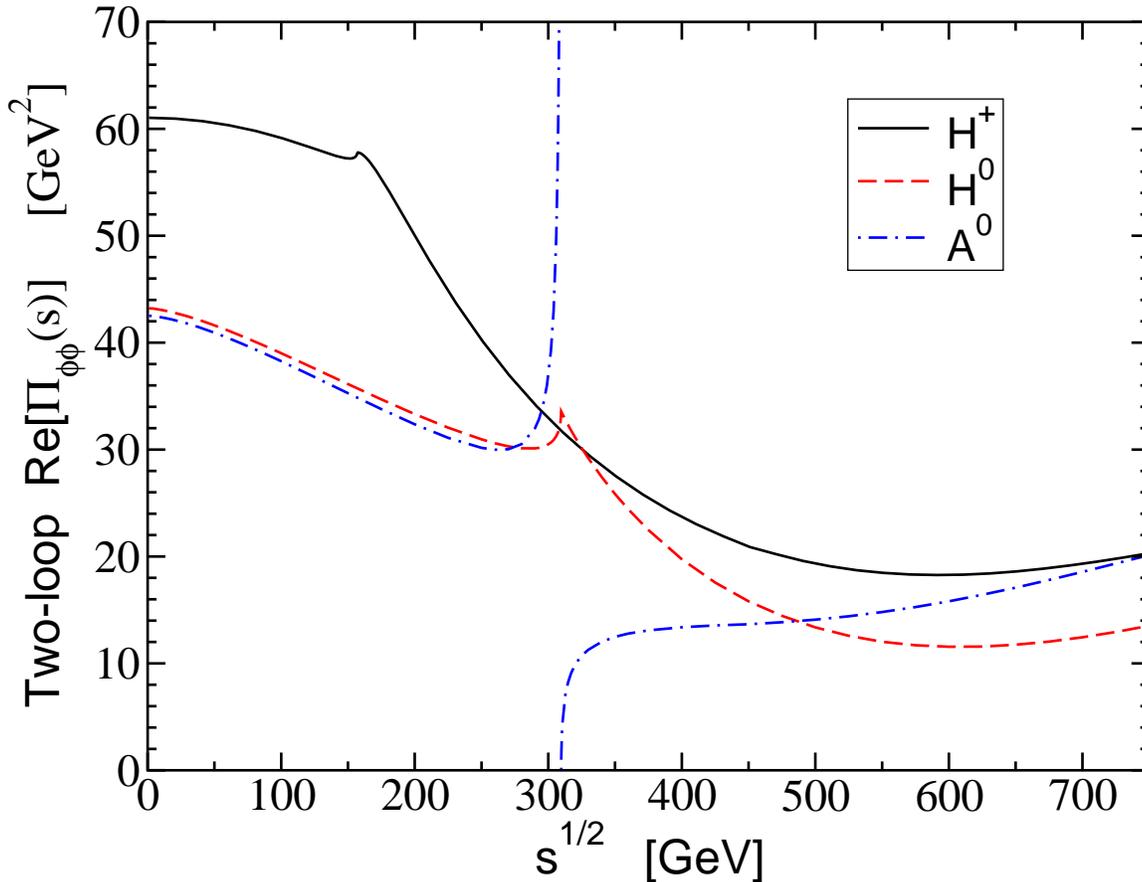
I have checked that effect is similar for a variety of MSSM models, including large $\tan \beta$.

For example, varying the top squark mixing:



This is the difference between the pole mass calculated with (partial) momentum-dependent contributions to the self-energy, and the 2-loop effective potential approximation.

In the same model, 2-loop contributions to the self-energy functions for H^0 , A^0 , H^\pm :

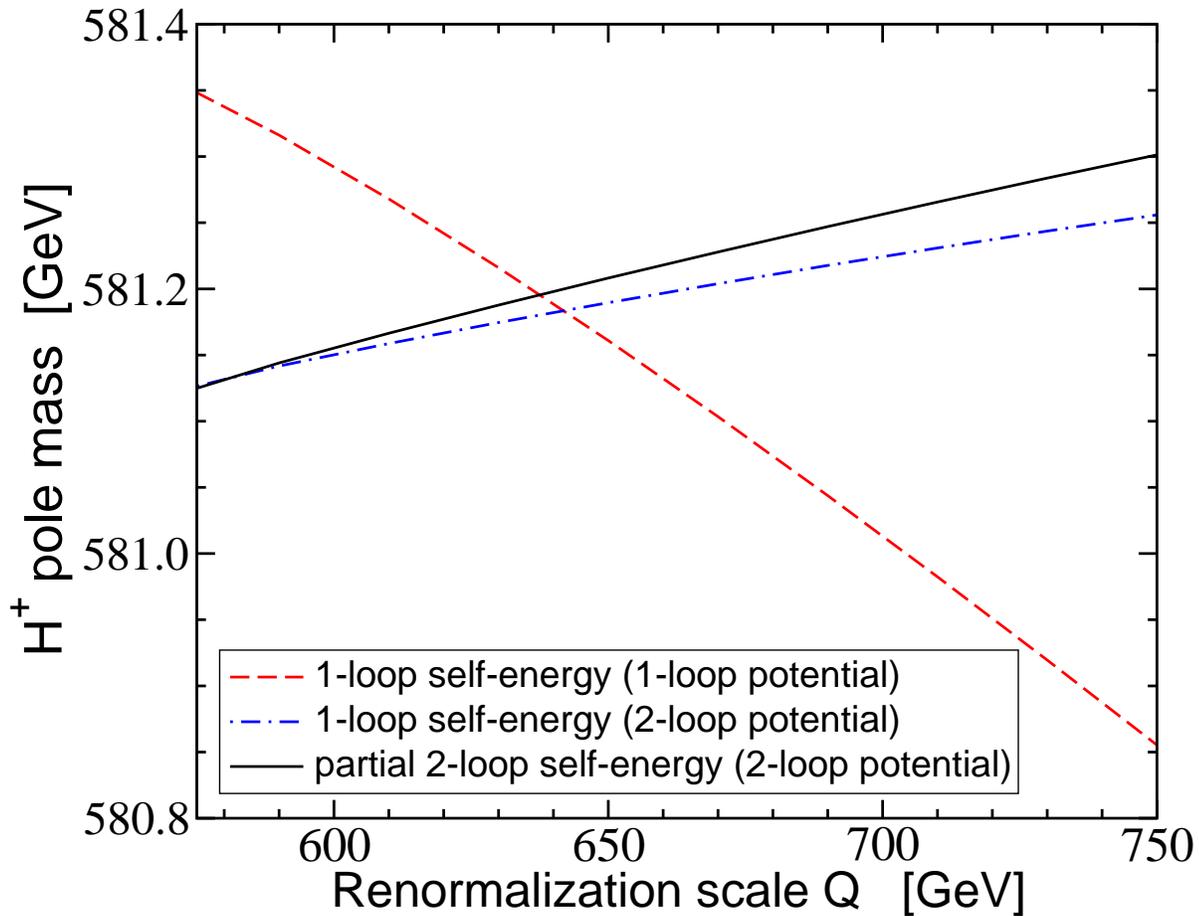


Self-energy for A^0 has $\sqrt{4m_t^2 - s}$ and $\ln(4m_t^2 - s)$ singularities from top-quark loops with gluon exchange.

H^0 and H^\pm are continuous but non-differentiable at thresholds $\sqrt{s} = 2m_t$ and $\sqrt{s} = m_t + m_b$, respectively.

There is significant cancellation between $\alpha_s y_t^2$ and y_t^4 contributions.

(Note: effective potential approximation is wrong by > 100 per cent for heavy Higgs scalars!)



Use of the 2-loop effective potential to relate VEVs to Lagrangian parameters is important in reducing the scale dependence.

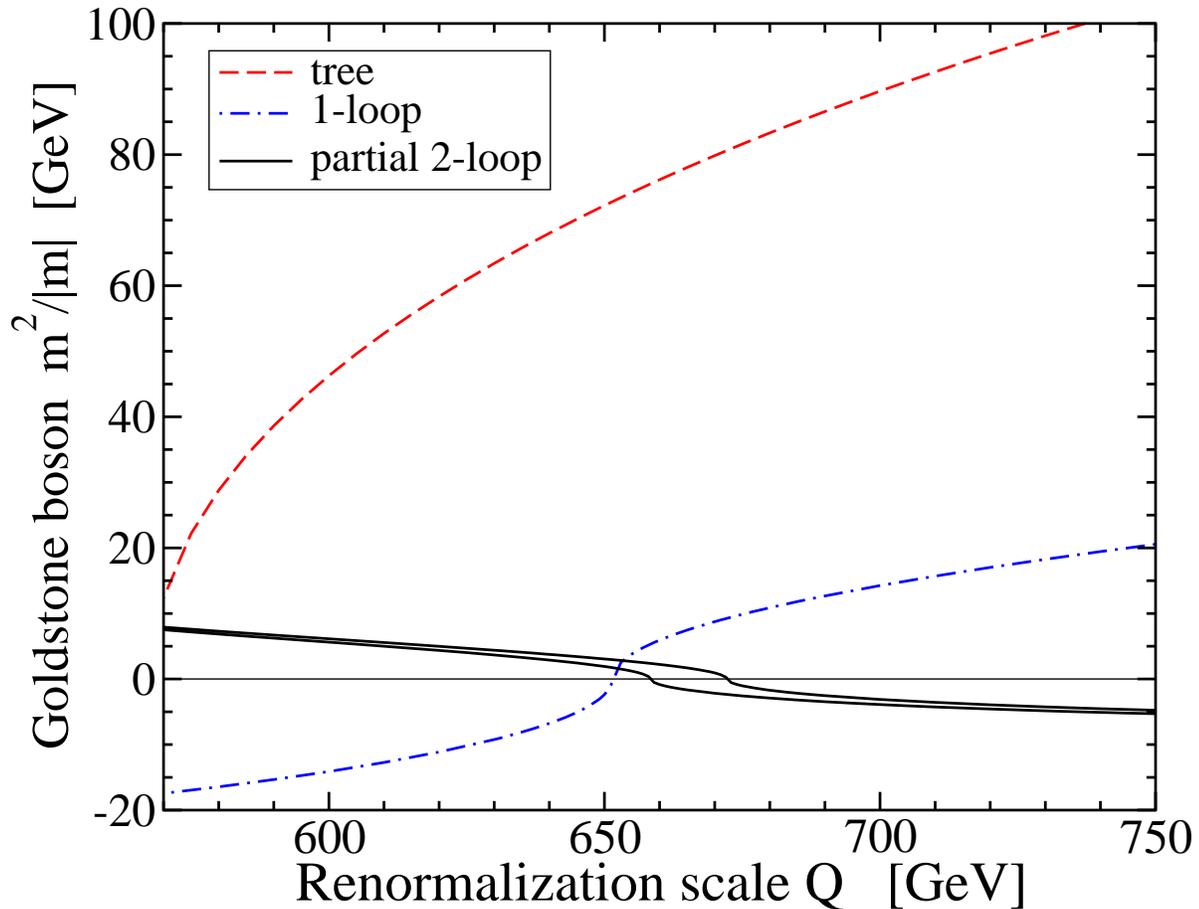
Use of the $\alpha_s y_t^2$ and y_t^4 2-loop self-energy terms makes only a small difference compared to the 1-loop self-energy.

(Difference is smaller than the scale dependence!)

This is because heavier Higgs are mostly H_d , don't have large couplings to the top (s)quarks.

Remaining scale dependence will require calculating the rest of the two-loop diagrams, including all electroweak effects.

A check: The Goldstone boson (mass)² should vanish.



Including all two-loop effects would give $m_{G^0}^2 = m_{G^\pm}^2 = 0$, exactly.

In any given model, this can be used to estimate rough size of two-loop errors (but not three-loop errors!) and to choose a renormalization scale Q .

Outlook

- Two-loop calculations for self-energies in the MSSM are necessary and possible
- I favor a Strategy based on:
 - $\overline{\text{DR}}'$ scheme (complementary to on-shell)
 - Reusable, generic calculations
 - Fast computations of basis two-loop integrals
- Some 3-loop calculations (e.g. for h^0) will eventually be necessary
- Progress continues