Associated $H^- W^+$ Production in High Energy $e^+e^-$ Collisions

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Abstract

We study the associated production of charged Higgs bosons with $W$ gauge bosons in high energy $e^+e^-$ collisions at the one loop level. We present the analytical results and give a detailed discussion for the total cross section predicted in the context of a general Two Higgs Doublet Model (THDM).
1. Introduction

The discovery of the standard Higgs boson is one of the major goals of the present and future searches in particle physics. Direct or indirect results give stringent lower and upper bounds on its mass [1, 2]. Moreover, the problematic scalar sector of the Standard Model (SM) can be enlarged and some simple extensions such as the minimal Two Higgs Doublet Model (THDM) versions [3] are intensively studied. The two most popular versions of the THDM (type I and II), differ in some Higgs couplings to fermions, but in both types and after electroweak symmetry breaking [7], the Higgs spectrum is the same. From the 8 degrees of freedom initially present in the 2 Higgs doublets, 3 correspond to masses of the longitudinal gauge bosons and we are left with 5 degrees of freedom which manifest themselves as 5 physical Higgs particles (2 charged Higgs $H^\pm$, 2 CP-even $H$, $h$ and one CP–odd $A$). The charged Higgs $H^\pm$, because of its electrical charge, is noticeably different from the other SM or THDM Higgs particles. In other words the discovery of a charged scalar Higgs boson would attest definitively that the Standard Model is overcome. On the contrary a neutral Higgs experimental evidence has to be refined to go beyond the SM [2, 8].

Furthermore, one can construct models with an even larger scalar sector than in the THDM, one of the most popular being the Higgs Triplet Model (HTM) [4]. A noteworthy difference between THDM and HTM is that the HTM contains a tree level $ZW^\pm H^\mp$ coupling while in the THDM this coupling is only generated at one loop level [3, 5]. In models of the HTM type, the physical predictions are sometimes very different from typical ones in the SM and or the THDM. In our study, we will only consider models with two Higgs doublets.

The study of THDM is also very interesting insofar as it provides a general framework to test the minimal supersymmetric extension of the SM (MSSM) [8]. Of course the particle spectrum of the MSSM doubles that of the THDM, but the scalar Higgs sectors, responsible for the electroweak symmetry breaking, are analogous, up to some mass constraints and couplings in the MSSM. In any case, the study of the various production mechanisms of charged Higgs bosons would give information about new physics beyond the SM.

In future colliders or linear accelerators devoted to the electron - positron annihilations, the simplest way to get a charged Higgs is through $H^\pm$ pair production. Such studies have been already undertaken at tree-level [8] and one-loop orders [11] and shown that $e^+e^-$ machines will offer a clean environment and in that sense a higher mass reach, especially if the 1–2 TeV options are available. We mention also that charged Higgs bosons pair production through laser back–scattered $\gamma\gamma$ collisions has been studied in the literature [12] and found to be prominent to discover the charged Higgs boson.

Note also that charged Higgs bosons can be produced in hadronic machines:

$(i)$ single charged Higgs production via $gb \rightarrow tH^-$, $gg \rightarrow tbH^-$, $qb \rightarrow q'bH^-$ [13]

$(ii)$ single charged Higgs production in association with $W$ gauge boson via $gg \rightarrow W^\pm H^\mp$ or $b\bar{b} \rightarrow W^\pm H^\mp$ [14]

$(iii)$ $H^\pm$ pair production through $q\bar{q}$ annihilation would be feasible only if the charged Higgs decay in top-bottom is kinematically forbidden [15], otherwise one would have to look at bosonic decay modes (ex. $H^\pm \rightarrow h^0W^\pm$, $H^\pm \rightarrow A^0W^\pm$, etc...).
The aim of this paper is the study of the production of the charged Higgs boson in association with a W gauge boson through electron positron annihilation. This process is kinematically better suited than the $H^\pm$ pair production when the Higgs mass is larger than the W mass. Although it is a rare process in the THDM, loop or/and threshold effects can give a substantial enhancement. Moreover, once worked out, any experimental deviation from the results within such a model should bring some fruitful information on the new physics.

The paper is organized as follows. In section II, we review all the charged Higgs boson interactions (with gauge bosons, scalar bosons and fermions), section III contains the notations and conventions while section IV is devoted to the on-shell renormalization scheme we will use. In section V we present our numerical results, and section VI contains our conclusions.

2. Charged Higgs boson interactions

2.1 Charged Higgs boson interactions with scalar bosons

In this section we will follow the notation of ref [16]. Recalling the most general (dimension 4) $SU(2)_{weak} \times U(1)_Y$ gauge-invariant and CP-invariant scalar potential for the THDM

$$V(\Phi_1, \Phi_2) = \lambda_1(\Phi_1^+\Phi_1 - v_1^2)^2 + \lambda_2(\Phi_2^+\Phi_2 - v_2^2)^2 + \lambda_3((\Phi_1^+\Phi_1 - v_1^2) + (\Phi_2^+\Phi_2 - v_2^2))^2$$

$$+ \lambda_4((\Phi_1^+\Phi_1)(\Phi_2^+\Phi_2) - (\Phi_1^+\Phi_2)(\Phi_2^+\Phi_1)) + \lambda_5(Re(\Phi_1^+\Phi_2) - v_1v_2)^2 + \lambda_6[Im(\Phi_1^+\Phi_2)]^2 + \lambda_7,$$  

(2.1)

we have the doublet fields $\Phi_1$ and $\Phi_2$ with weak hypercharge $Y=1$, the corresponding vacuum expectation values $v_1$ and $v_2$, and the coefficients $\lambda_i$ as real-valued parameters. We will assume the arbitrary additive constant $\lambda_i$ to be vanishing. Via the Higgs mechanism, the W and Z gauge bosons acquire masses given by $m_W^2 = G_2v^2$ and $m_Z^2 = G_2(g^2 + g'^2)v^2$, where $g$ and $g'$ are the $SU(2)_{weak}$ and $U(1)_Y$ gauge couplings and $v^2 = v_1^2 + v_2^2$. The combination $v_1^2 + v_2^2$ is thus fixed by the electroweak scale through $v_1^2 + v_2^2 = (2G_F)^{-1}$, and we are left with 7 free parameters in eq. (2.1), namely $\lambda_i$ and $\tan \beta = v_2/v_1$. As shown in [11], using straight-forward algebra, one can relate the coefficients $\lambda_i$ of the scalar potential to the masses of the physical Higgs bosons $h$, $H$, $A$, $H^\pm$ in the following way:

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{g^2}{16\cos^2 \beta m_W^2} [m_H^2 + m_h^2 + (m_H^2 - m_h^2) \frac{\cos(2\alpha + \beta)}{\cos \beta}] + \lambda_3(-1 + \tan^2 \beta)$$

(2.2)

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{g^2}{16\sin^2 \beta m_W^2} [m_H^2 + m_h^2 + (m_H^2 - m_h^2) \frac{\sin(2\alpha + \beta)}{\sin \beta}] + \lambda_3(-1 + \cot^2 \beta)$$

(2.3)

$$\lambda_4 = \frac{g^2 m_H^2}{2m_W^2}, \quad \lambda_5 = \frac{g^2}{2m_W^2} \frac{\sin 2\alpha}{\sin 2\beta} (m_H^2 - m_h^2) - 4\lambda_3, \quad \lambda_6 = \frac{g^2 m_A^2}{2m_W^2}$$

(2.4)
Consequently one can choose as free parameters of the Higgs sector: the four Higgs boson masses \((m_{H^\pm}, m_H, m_h, m_A)\), \(\alpha\), \(\tan \beta\) and \(\lambda_3\).

The trilinear self couplings required for our study are listed in the appendix A, Eqs. (A.1)–(A.7). The trilinear vertices \(H^0H^+H^-\) and \(h^0H^+H^-\) depend, besides on the Higgs boson masses, on \(\lambda_3\) and \(\tan \beta\). From Appendix A, eqs.(A.1, A.2), it is obvious that one would get into conflict with the requirements from perturbative unitarity when \(\tan \beta\) and/or \(\lambda_3\) are large. In our analysis we will take into account the following constraints when the masses and the coupling parameters are varied:

- Unitarity constraints will be respected in a simplified way, following [17], by imposing the condition
  \[ |HHH| < \frac{3g}{2m_W}(1\text{TeV})^2 \]  
  on each trilinear scalar vertex \(HHH\) entering the process at one loop.

- Lower bounds on \(\tan \beta\) in the general THDM have been obtained from the experimental limits on the processes \(e^+e^- \rightarrow Z^* \rightarrow h^0\gamma\) and/or \(e^+e^- \rightarrow A^0\gamma\) [18]. For light \(h\) masses, these bounds can be rather low [18]. For our study we will restrict the discussion to values \(\tan \beta > 0.5\).

- The extra contribution \(\delta \rho\) to the \(\rho\) parameter [19] should not exceed the current limits from precision measurements [20]:
  \[-0.0017 \leq \delta \rho \leq 0.0027\]

### 2.2 Charged Higgs boson interactions with fermions

In the two-Higgs-doublet extension of the Standard Model there are different ways to couple the Higgs fields to the fermions. Conventionally they are classified in terms of the following categories, labeled as type I and type II models:

i. **Model type I**: All quarks and leptons couple exclusively to the second Higgs doublet \(\Phi_2\), with the coupling structure copied from the Standard Model. \(\Phi_2\) gives mass to both up- and down-type quarks, invoking the charge-conjugate of \(\Phi_2\) for the up-type quarks. Since supersymmetry forbids the appearance of the complex conjugate, type I models cannot be realized within the MSSM.

ii. **Model type II**: To avoid the problem of flavor changing neutral currents (FCNC) [21], one assumes that \(\Phi_1\) couples only to down-type quarks and charged leptons and \(\Phi_2\) to up-type quarks (and eventually to neutrinos). The type II model is the pattern found in the MSSM.

The general structure of the charged-Higgs boson interaction with a doublet of up- and down-type fermions is given by the vertex

\[
[H^- ud] = \frac{igV_{ud}}{\sqrt{2}m_W} \left\{ Y^L_{ud} \left(1 - \gamma_5\right) \frac{1}{2} + Y^R_{ud} \left(1 + \gamma_5\right) \frac{1}{2} \right\}.
\]  (2.6)
In the specific models mentioned above, the Yukawa couplings have the form
\[
Y_{ud}^L = \frac{m_u}{\tan \beta} \quad \text{and} \quad Y_{ud}^R = -\frac{m_d}{\tan \beta} \quad \text{for model I},
\]
\[
Y_{ud}^L = \frac{m_u}{\tan \beta} \quad \text{and} \quad Y_{ud}^R = m_d \tan \beta \quad \text{for model II}. \tag{2.7}
\]

\(V_{ud}\) is the CKM matrix element, which we will approximate by unity. Models I and II lead to similar results as far as the effects originating from the top–bottom loops for \(\tan \beta\) close to 1 are considered, owing essentially to the form of the Yukawa couplings \(Y_R^L\) and \(Y_L^R\).

### 2.3 Charged Higgs-boson interactions with gauge bosons

The interactions between the charged Higgs bosons of a two-doublet model and the gauge bosons are completely dictated by local gauge invariance and thus independent of the assumption whether the model is supersymmetric or not. These interactions follow from the kinetic term, involving the covariant derivative, in the Higgs Lagrangian
\[
\sum_i (D_\mu \Phi_i)^+ (D_\mu \Phi_i) = \\
\sum_i \left[ \left( \partial_\mu + ig T_a W_\mu^a + ig' Y_{\Phi_i} B_\mu \right) \Phi_i \right]^+ \left[ \left( \partial_\mu + ig T_a W_\mu^a + ig' Y_{\Phi_i} B_\mu \right) \Phi_i \right], \tag{2.8}
\]
where \(T^a\) is the isospin operator and \(Y_{\Phi_i}\) the hypercharge of the Higgs fields; \(W^a_\mu\) denote the \(SU(2)_L\) gauge fields, \(B_\mu\) the \(U(1)_Y\) gauge field, and \(g\) (resp. \(g'\)) the associated coupling constants. The individual couplings in the various vertices, derived from eq. (2.8), are listed in Appendix C. The \(\gamma H^\pm W^\pm\) and the \(ZH^\pm W^\pm\) vertices vanish at the tree level. Therefore, tree-level contributions to \(e^+e^- \rightarrow W^\pm H^\mp\) come only from neutrino exchange in the \(t\)-channel and from CP-even Higgs mediated \(s\)-channel. All these contributions are strongly suppressed by the small electron mass. Hence, the process under study is essentially a loop-mediated process.

### 3. Notations and conventions

We will use the following notations and conventions. The momenta of the incoming electron and positron, outgoing gauge boson \(W^\pm\) and outgoing Higgs boson \(H^-\) are denoted by \(p_1\), \(p_2\), \(k_1\) and \(k_2\), respectively. Neglecting the electron mass, the momenta, in the \(e^+e^-\) center-of-mass system, are given by:
\[
p_{1,2} = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} (1, 0, 0, \pm 1)
\]
\[
k_{1,2} = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \left( 1 \pm \frac{m_W^2 - m_{H^\pm}^2}{s}, \pm \kappa \sin \theta, 0, \pm \kappa \cos \theta \right),
\]
where $\sqrt{s}$ denotes the center of mass energy, $\theta$ the scattering angle between $e^-$ and $W^+$, and $\kappa$ is determined by
\[
\kappa^2 = (s - (m_{H^\pm} + m_W)^2)(s - (m_{H^\pm} - m_W)^2)/s^2.
\]
The basic matrix elements $A_i$ are given by the following expressions:
\[
\begin{align*}
A_1 &= \bar{v}(p_2) \, \not\! k_1 \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} u(p_1) \\
A_2 &= \bar{v}(p_2) \, \not\! k_1 \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} u(p_1) \\
A_3 &= \bar{v}(p_2) \, \not\! k_1 \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} u(p_1)(p_1, e(k_1)) \\
A_4 &= \bar{v}(p_2) \, \not\! k_1 \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} u(p_1)(p_1, e(k_1)) \\
A_5 &= \bar{v}(p_2) \, \not\! k_1 \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} u(p_1)(p_2, e(k_1)) \\
A_6 &= \bar{v}(p_2) \, \not\! k_1 \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} u(p_1)(p_2, e(k_1)).
\end{align*}
\]

The squared amplitude, after summation over the polarizations of the $W^+$ boson, gets the following form:
\[
\sum_{Pol} |M^1|^2 = 2s(|M_1|^2 + |M_2|^2) - \frac{(m_{H^\pm}^2 m_W^2 - tu)}{4m_W^2} \left\{ 4|M_1|^2 + 4|M_2|^2 \\
+ 4(m_W^2 - t)Re[M_1 M_3^* + M_2 M_4^*] + (m_W^2 - t)^2[|M_5|^2 + |M_4|^2] \\
+ 4(m_W^2 - u)Re[M_1 M_5^* + M_2 M_6^*] + (m_W^2 - u)^2[|M_5|^2 + |M_6|^2] \\
- 2(m_{H^\pm}^2 m_W^2 + m_W^2 s - tu)Re[M_3 M_5^* + M_4 M_6^*]\right\}.
\]
4. On-shell renormalization

We have evaluated the one-loop induced process $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^\pm H^\mp$ in the 't Hooft-Feynman gauge, and using dimensional regularization [22]. The types of Feynman diagrams are depicted in Figure 1. It displays the corrections to the $\gamma W^\pm H^\mp$ and to the $Z W^\pm H^\mp$ vertices, box diagrams, contributions coming from the various mixings $H^- W^+$ and $H^- G^+$ in $t$ and $s$ channels, and finally the counter-terms. Note that the $s$-channel $H^--W^+$ mixing (Fig. 1.16) vanishes for an on-shell transverse W gauge boson. There is no contribution from the $W^+ G^-$ mixing because the $\gamma G^\mp H^\mp$ and $Z G^\mp H^\mp$ vertices are absent at the tree level. All the Feynman diagrams have been generated and computed using FeynArts [23] and FeynCalc [24] packages. We also use the fortran FF-package [25] in the numerical analysis.

Although the amplitude for our process vanishes at the tree level, complications like tadpole contributions and vector boson–scalar mixings require a careful treatment of renormalization. We adopt the on-shell renormalization scheme of [26], for the Higgs sector, which is an extension of the on-shell scheme in [27]. In this scheme, field renormalization is performed in the manifest-symmetric version of the Lagrangian. A field renormalization constant $Z_{\Phi_1,2}$ is assigned to each Higgs doublet $\Phi_{1,2}$. The Higgs fields and vacuum expectation values $v_i$ are renormalized as follows:

$$\Phi_i \rightarrow (Z_{\Phi_i})^{1/2}\Phi_i$$
$$v_i \rightarrow (Z_{\Phi_i})^{1/2}(v_i - \delta v_i).$$

With these substitutions in the Lagrangian (2.8), expanding the renormalization constants $Z_i = 1 + \delta Z_i$ to the one-loop order, we obtain all the counter-terms relevant for our process: a counter-term for the $W - H$ 2-point function, and counter-terms for the $\gamma WH$ and $ZWH$ vertices, visualized in Fig.1.26 to Fig.1.28 ($k_1$ denotes the momentum of the outgoing $W^+$),

$$\delta[W^\pm H^\mp] = -k_1^\mu \Delta$$
$$\delta[A_\nu W^\pm_\mu H^\mp] = ieg_{\mu\nu} \Delta$$
$$\delta[Z_\nu W^\pm_\mu H^\mp] = ieg_{\mu\nu} \frac{s_W}{c_W} \Delta$$

with

$$\Delta = \frac{\sin 2\beta}{2} m_W \left( \frac{\delta v_1}{v_1} - \frac{\delta v_2}{v_2} + \frac{1}{2}(\delta Z_{\Phi_2} - \delta Z_{\Phi_1}) \right).$$

In the on-shell scheme, the following renormalization conditions are imposed:

- The renormalized tadpoles, i.e. the sum of tadpole diagrams $T_{h,H}$ and tadpole counter-terms $\delta_{h,H}$ vanish:

$$T_h + \delta t_h = 0, \quad T_H + \delta t_H = 0.$$
These conditions guarantee that \( v_{1,2} \) appearing in the renormalized Lagrangian \( \mathcal{L}_R \) are located at the minimum of the one-loop potential.

- The real part of the renormalized non-diagonal self-energy \( \hat{\Sigma}_{H-W^+}(k^2) \) vanishes for an on-shell charged Higgs boson:
  \[
  \text{Re} \hat{\Sigma}_{H-W^+}(m_{H^\pm}^2) = 0
  \]  
  (the \^ labels the renormalized quantity which is given in Appendix C). This renormalization condition determines the term \( \Delta \), and consequently \( \delta [A_\mu W_\mu^\pm H^\mp] \) and \( \delta [Z_\nu W_\mu^\pm H^\mp] \) are also fixed. The explicit expressions are given in Appendix C.

The last renormalization condition is sufficient to discard the real part of the \( H^- - G^+ \) mixing contribution as well. Indeed, using the Slavnov–Taylor identity [28], [29]

\[
k^2 \Sigma_{H-W^+}(k^2) - m_W \Sigma_{H-G^+}(k^2) = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad k^2 = m_{H^\pm}^2
\]

valid also for the renormalized quantities, together with eq. (4.6), it follows that

\[
\text{Re} \hat{\Sigma}_{H-G^+}(m_{H^\pm}^2) = 0.
\]

In particular, the Feynman diagrams depicted in Fig. 1.25 will not contribute with the above renormalization conditions, being purely real valued.

The amplitudes corresponding to the two counter-terms (photon and Z boson exchanges) in eqs. (4.3, 4.4) contain only the matrix elements \( A_1 \) and \( A_2 \) as follows:

\[
\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}^{\text{CT}} = -\frac{e^2}{s} \Delta (A_1 + A_2)
\]

\[
\mathcal{M}_{Z}^{\text{CT}} = -\frac{e^2}{s - m_Z^2} \frac{s_W}{c_W} \Delta ((g_A + g_V)A_2 + (g_V - g_A)A_1)
\]

with the electron–Z coupling constants

\[
g_V = \frac{1}{4s_Wc_W}(1 - 4s_W^2) , \quad g_A = \frac{1}{4s_Wc_W}
\]

and \( s_W \equiv \sin \theta_W, c_W \equiv \cos \theta_W \). As a consequence, only the form factors \( \mathcal{M}_1 \) and \( \mathcal{M}_2 \) can contain UV divergences; each of the remaining form factors should be UV finite by itself, which provides a good analytical check of the calculations.

5. Numerical results and discussion

The difference between the predicted cross sections in Model-I and Model-II is essentially due to the fermion loops containing the different Yukawa couplings. For small values of \( \tan \beta \) the cross sections are approximately the same for both models of type I and II (Figure...
For \( \tan \beta > 10 \) (Figure 2b), the cross section decreases to very small values in Model-I, corresponding to the Yukawa coupling proportional to \( 1 / \tan \beta \). In Model-II, the cross section has a minimum for \( \tan \beta \approx 30 \) and increases again for large \( \tan \beta \), following the \( b \) Yukawa coupling proportional to \( \tan \beta \).

In the following more explicit discussion we consider the range \( 0.5 \leq \tan \beta < 10 \), where both type I and II models give practically the same numerical results. In this interval for \( \tan \beta \) the total cross section varies from 7.5 fb to 0.012 fb, for \( \sqrt{s} = 500 \text{GeV} \) and \( m_{H^\pm} = 220 \text{GeV} \).

We will take the following experimental input for the physical parameters [30]:

- the fine structure constant: \( \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi} = 1/137.03598 \).
- the gauge boson masses: \( M_Z = 91.187 \text{GeV} \) and \( M_W = 80.41 \text{GeV} \). In the on–shell scheme we define \( \sin^2 \theta_W \) by \( \sin^2 \theta_W \equiv 1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \), so that it receives by definition no loop corrections.
- the top and bottom quarks masses are taken to be: \( m_t = 175 \text{GeV} \) and \( m_b = 4.5 \text{GeV} \).

Fig.3 shows the top-bottom contribution to the integrated cross section as a function of the center of mass energy \( \sqrt{s} \) for four values of \( m_{H^\pm} \) and for two values of \( \tan \beta \), 0.6 and 1.6. It can be seen that for a small \( \tan \beta \) (Fig.3.a) the top quark effect is enhanced. One can reach a cross section of 3.5 fb for a charged Higgs mass of about 220 GeV. The cross section is enhanced for \( m_{H^\pm} = 170 \text{GeV} \) owing to the proximity of the normal threshold cut of the three-point function at \( m_{H^\pm} = m_t + m_b \).

As \( \tan \beta \) increases the top quark effect decreases, leading to almost an order of magnitude suppression of the cross section for \( \tan \beta = 1.6 \) (Fig. 3.b). For large values of \( \tan \beta (\approx 50) \) the bottom quark contribution becomes leading and of comparable magnitude to that of the top quark in the small \( \tan \beta \) region.

For the general THDM we will present our numerical results in the following three configurations (where all the masses are in GeV):

- \( C_1 \): \( m_{H^\pm} = 220, m_H = 180, m_h = 90, m_A = 80, \tan \alpha = 1.4, \tan \beta = 3.6 \)
- \( C_2 \): \( m_{H^\pm} = 300, m_H = 280, m_h = 120, m_A = 220, \tan \alpha = 2.4, \tan \beta = 1.6 \)
- \( C_3 \): \( m_{H^\pm} = 400, m_H = 380, m_h = 120, m_A = 370, \tan \alpha = 3, \tan \beta = 2 \)

In those three cases the present experimental bound on \( \delta \rho \) is respected. In Fig.4.a,b,c we show the total cross section (including all virtual boson and fermion contributions) as a function of the center of mass energy \( \sqrt{s} \) for the three configurations listed above and for four different values of \( \lambda_3 \) which satisfy the nominal unitarity constraints (2.5). One can see from those curves that, for a fixed \( \tan \beta \), the cross section increases with \( \lambda_3 \). The effect of \( \lambda_3 \) arises essentially via the trilinear vertices \( H^0 H^+ H^- \) and \( h^0 H^+ H^- \). Note that values of \( \lambda_3 \) larger than the ones chosen in Fig.4.a,b,c start violating the unitarity constraints on the \( H^0 H^+ H^- \) and \( h^0 H^+ H^- \) couplings.
Fig. 4.d shows the ($\lambda_3$ independent) box contributions to the cross section in the $C_{1,2,3}$ configurations. This contribution remains generically suppressed (0.01–0.005 fb for $\sqrt{s} = 500$–1000 GeV), even in the favourable light Higgs mass configurations such as in case $C_1$.

Figures 5.a, 5.b and 5.c show the total cross section as a function of $\tan \beta$ in the $C_{1,2,3}$ configurations with $\lambda_3 = 0.1$, and for $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV, 1 TeV and 1.5 TeV respectively. One can see that the cross section reaches a minimum for moderate values of $\tan \beta$ while it gets much larger (a few orders of magnitude) for both low and high values of this parameter. The first enhancement (small $\tan \beta$) is due to the top quark effect as discussed above, while the second enhancement comes from the effect of large $\tan \beta$ in $H^0H^+H^-$ and $hH^+H^-$ couplings. With the parameter choice of Fig. 5, the nominal unitarity condition (2.3) forbids $\tan \beta$ larger than 14. One should, however, stress that a different choice of the Higgs masses and $\lambda_3$ closer to the MSSM configurations would suppress the Higgs sector effect in the large $\tan \beta$ regime, thus allowing even larger $\tan \beta$ values to be consistent with Eq.(2.5). In this case large effects from the bottom quark sector become dominant.

In Fig.6 we show the dependence of the cross section on the charged Higgs mass for $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV, 1 TeV and 1.5 TeV in the case where $\tan \beta = 2$, $\tan \alpha = 3$, $\lambda_3 = 0.1$, $m_H = 180$ GeV, $m_h = 90$ and $m_A = 80$ GeV. One notes the high sensitivity of the cross section to the Higgs mass when the latter is above the $W^- h$ and $b\bar{t}$ decay thresholds (which happen to roughly coincide owing to our input values, and correspond to the kink in the plots). Below this threshold, the cross-section is much less sensitive to the Higgs mass, however, one should keep in mind that this region corresponds to the opening of the charged Higgs pair production which yields a much more interesting event rate.

We mention that our results are in qualitative agreement with those of ref. [32], inasmuch as we can compare. Note however that we did not assume any Higgs mass rules, and also the renormalization scheme in [32] was not explicitly defined. Quite recently, after this work was completed, another paper [33] appeared dealing with the same subject.

6. Conclusions

To summarize, we have computed the associated production of a charged Higgs boson with a gauge boson $W$ at high energy $e^+e^-$ collisions. The calculation is performed within dimensional regularization in the on shell scheme. The study is done in the general two Higgs doublet model taking into account constraints on the $\rho$ parameter and unitarity constraints on the trilinear Higgs couplings. We have shown that in the small $\tan \beta$ regime the top effect is enhanced leading to important cross sections (about 1 fb), while the leading contributions in the large $\tan \beta$ regime, come from the trilinear $HH^\pm H^\mp$ and $hH^\pm H^\mp$ vertices. If the charged Higgs is too heavy to be produced in pairs in $e^+e^-$ future machines, the associated production with a $W$ boson would be the only means to look for direct evidence for it. The smallness of the cross section would require, however, a very high luminosity option.
Appendix A:

In this section we list the Feynman rules for the 3-point vertices involving charged Higgs bosons, in the general THDM.

\[
g_{H^0H^+H^-} = -i \frac{g}{m_W} [\cos(\beta - \alpha)(m_{H^+}^2 - m_H^2) \pm \frac{m_H^2}{2}] + \frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\sin 2\beta} \{4\lambda_3 v^2 + \frac{1}{2}(m_H^2 + m_h^2) \} \\
\quad - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sin 2\beta} (\sin 2\alpha + 2 \sin(\alpha - \beta) \cos(\alpha + \beta))(m_H^2 - m_h^2) \} \] (A.1)

\[
g_{h^0H^+H^-} = -i \frac{g}{m_W} [\sin(\beta - \alpha)(m_{H^+}^2 - m_h^2) \pm \frac{m_h^2}{2}] + \frac{\cos(\alpha + \beta)}{\sin 2\beta} \{4\lambda_3 v^2 + \frac{1}{2}(m_H^2 + m_h^2) \} \\
\quad - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sin 2\beta} (\sin 2\alpha + 2 \sin(\alpha + \beta) \cos(\alpha - \beta))(m_H^2 - m_h^2) \} \] (A.2)

\[
g_{H^0H^\pm G^\mp} = -ig \frac{\sin(\beta - \alpha)(m_{H^\pm}^2 - m_H^2)}{2m_W} \] (A.3)

\[
g_{h^0H^\pm G^\mp} = ig \frac{\cos(\beta - \alpha)(m_{H^\pm}^2 - m_h^2)}{2m_W} \] (A.4)

\[
g_{A^0H^\pm G^\mp} = \mp \frac{m_{H^\pm}^2 - m_A^2}{v\sqrt{2}} \] (A.5)

\[
g_{H^0G^+G^-} = -im_H^2 \frac{\cos(\beta - \alpha)}{\sqrt{2}v} \] (A.6)

\[
g_{h^0G^+G^-} = -im_h^2 \frac{\sin(\beta - \alpha)}{\sqrt{2}v} \] (A.7)

The parameter \(\lambda_3\) enters only \(g_{H^0H^+H^-}\) and \(g_{h^0H^+H^-}\), while the vertices \(g_{H^0H^\pm G^\mp}, g_{h^0H^\pm G^\mp}\) and \(g_{A^0H^\pm G^\mp}\) have a particularly simple form, proportional to \(m_H^2\) and \(m_h^2\), respectively.

Appendix B: One-loop functions

Let us briefly recall the definitions of scalar and tensor integrals \([31]\) we use. The inverse of the propagators are denoted by

\[
d_0 = q^2 - m_0^2, \; d_i = (q + p_i)^2 - m_i^2 \]

where the \(p_i\) are the momenta of the external particles (always incoming).

One-point function:

\[
A_0(m_0^2) = \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{(4-D)}}{i\pi^2} \int d^Dq \frac{1}{d_0} \]

where \(\mu\) is an arbitrary renormalization scale and \(D\) is the space-time dimension.
Two-point functions:

\[ B_{0,\mu} = \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{(4-D)}}{i\pi^2} \int d^D q \frac{\{1, q_{\mu}\}}{d_0 d_1} \]

Using Lorentz covariance, one gets for the vector integral

\[ B_{\mu} = p_{1\mu} B_1 \]

with the scalar function \( B_1(p^2_1, m^2_0, m^2_1) \).

Three-point functions:

\[ C_{0,\mu,\nu} = \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{(4-D)}}{i\pi^2} \int d^D q \frac{\{1, q_{\mu}, q_{\nu}\}}{d_0 d_1 d_2} \]

where \( p^2_{ij} = (p_i + p_j)^2 \). Lorentz covariance yields the decomposition

\[ C_{\mu} = p_{1\mu} C_1 + p_{2\mu} C_2 \]  

(B.1)

\[ C_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} C_{00} + p_{1\mu} p_{1\nu} C_{11} + p_{2\mu} p_{2\nu} C_{22} + (p_{1\mu} p_{2\nu} + p_{2\mu} p_{1\nu}) C_{12} \]  

(B.2)

with the scalar functions \( C_{i,ij}(p^2_1, p^2_{12}, p^2_2, m^2_0, m^2_1, m^2_2) \).

Four-point functions:

\[ D_{0,\mu,\nu} = \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{(4-D)}}{i\pi^2} \int d^D q \frac{\{1, q_{\mu}, q_{\nu}\}}{d_0 d_1 d_2 d_3} \]  

(B.3)

Again, Lorentz covariance allows the decomposition

\[ D_{\mu} = p_{1\mu} D_1 + p_{2\mu} D_2 + p_{3\mu} D_3 \]  

(B.4)

\[ D_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} D_{00} + p_{1\mu} p_{1\nu} D_{11} + p_{2\mu} p_{2\nu} D_{22} + p_{3\mu} p_{3\nu} D_{33} + (p_{1\mu} p_{2\nu} + p_{2\mu} p_{1\nu}) D_{12} + \]

\[ (p_{1\mu} p_{3\nu} + p_{3\mu} p_{1\nu}) D_{13} + (p_{3\mu} p_{2\nu} + p_{2\mu} p_{3\nu}) D_{23} \]  

(B.5)

with the scalar 4-point functions \( D_{i,ij}(p^2_1, p^2_{12}, p^2_{23}, p^2_3, p^2_{13}, m^2_0, m^2_1, m^2_2, m^2_3) \).

All the tensor coefficients can be algebraically reduced to the basic scalar integrals \( A_0, B_0, C_0 \) and \( D_0 \). The analytical expression of all the scalar functions can be found in [31, 25].
Appendix C: One-loop amplitude

In this appendix, we use the fermion-vector boson coupling constants as defined in terms of the neutral-current and charged-current vertices

\[
[f \bar{f} V_\mu] = \gamma_\mu (g^{dL}_V \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} + g^{dR}_V \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2})
\]

\[
[udW^+_\mu] = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2s_W}} \gamma_\mu (\frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2})
\]

in the following notation:

\[
g^{dL}_V = g^{dR}_V = -e_f
\]

\[
g^{uL}_Z = -\frac{(1 - 2s^2_W e_u)}{4s_W c_W}, \quad g^{fR}_Z = \frac{2s^2_W e_f}{4s_W c_W}
\]

\[
g^{dL}_Z = \frac{(1 + 2s^2_W e_d)}{4s_W c_W}
\]

\[
e_u = -2e_d = \frac{2}{3} |e|, \quad e_e = -|e|.
\]

Vertex diagrams

Fermionic loops

d-d-u exchange

The diagram with the \( ddu \) triangle, Fig.1.1, yields the following contribution to the one-loop amplitude \( [3,2] \) for each \( V \) boson exchange \( (V = \gamma, Z) \):

\[
M_{1,1} = \frac{2NC_G a^2}{\sqrt{2}(s-m_W^2)} \left\{ \begin{array}{l}
-(m_u Y^{L}_{ud} g^{dL}_V + m_d Y^{R}_{ud} (g^{dL}_V - g^{dR}_V))B_0(s, m_d^2, m_a^2) - \\
m_u(m_u^2 Y^{L}_{ud} g^{dL}_V + m_d m_u Y^{R}_{ud} (g^{dL}_V - g^{dR}_V) - m_d^2 Y^{L}_{ud} g^{dR}_V)C_0 + \\
2(m_u Y^{L}_{ud} + m_d Y^{R}_{ud})g^{dL}_V C_{00}\end{array} \right\} \left[ \begin{array}{l}
eg e_f A_1 + g^{dL}_V A_2 \\
-(m_u (m_w^2 + u) Y^{L}_{ud} g^{dL}_V + m_d Y^{R}_{ud} (m_w^2 Y^{dL}_V - t g^{dR}_V))C_1 + m_u u Y^{L}_{ud} g^{dR}_V C_0 + \\
(m_u (m_{H^\pm}^2 + u) Y^{L}_{ud} g^{dL}_V + m_d Y^{R}_{ud} (u g^{dR}_V - m_{H^\pm}^2 g^{dR}_V))C_2 \end{array} \right] \\
\left\{ \begin{array}{l}
[m_u (m_w^2 + t) Y^{L}_{ud} g^{dL}_V + m_d Y^{R}_{ud} (m_w^2 Y^{dL}_V - u g^{dR}_V)]C_1 - m_u t Y^{L}_{ud} g^{dR}_V C_0 + \\
[m_u (-m_{H^\pm}^2 - t) Y^{L}_{ud} g^{dL}_V + m_d Y^{R}_{ud} (m_{H^\pm}^2 Y^{dL}_V - t g^{dR}_V)]C_2 \end{array} \right\} g^{dL}_V A_2 \\
-2\left\{ \begin{array}{l}
g^{dL}_V (m_u Y^{L}_{ud} C_0 + m_u Y^{L}_{ud} C_1 + (2m_u Y^{L}_{ud} + m_d Y^{R}_{ud})C_2 + \\
(m_u Y^{L}_{ud} + m_d Y^{R}_{ud})C_{12} + (m_u Y^{L}_{ud} + m_d Y^{R}_{ud})C_{22})\end{array} \right\} \left[ g^{dL}_V A_3 + g^{dL}_V A_6 \right]
\]
are summarized in the following table;

\[
+2\{m_d \ Y_{ud}^R \ g_V^{dR} \ C_1 - g_V^{dL} (m_u \ Y_{ud}^L) C_2 + (m_u \ Y_{ud}^L + m_d \ Y_{ud}^R)(C_{12} + C_{22})\}[g_V^{cL} A_4 + g_V^{cR} A_5].
\] (C.3)

Therein, all the \(C_i\) and \(C_{ij}\) have the same arguments: \((m_{W}^{2}, s, m_{H^{\pm}}^{2}, m_{Z}^{2}, m_{A}^{2}, m_{H}^{2})\). Summation has to be performed over all fermion families; in practice only the third quark generation is relevant.

**u-u-d exchange**

The corresponding expression for the the diagram with the \(uud\) triangle in Fig.1.2 is obtained from the previous one by making the following replacements:

\[
Y_{ud}^L \leftrightarrow Y_{ud}^R, \ m_u \leftrightarrow m_d, \ g_V^{dL} \leftrightarrow g_V^{uL}, \ g_V^{dR} \leftrightarrow g_V^{uR} \text{ and } t \leftrightarrow u
\]

and also \(A_3 \leftrightarrow A_5\) and \(A_6 \leftrightarrow A_4\).

**Bosonic Loops**

Listed are always the analytic expression for each generic diagram of Fig.1. The sum over all the particle contents, given in the associated tables, yields the corresponding contribution to the one-loop the matrix element \([3,2]\).

**Fig.1.3**

\[
M_{1.3} = -\frac{\alpha^2 g_{VW+W}^{-}}{s-m_{V}^{2}} g_{W+W-s} g_{H-W+s} \left\{ -B_0(s, m_{W}^{2}, m_{W}^{2}) - (m_{S}^{2} - m_{W}^{2} + s) C_0 + (m_{H^{\pm}}^{2} - m_{W}^{2} - s) C_1 + (m_{H^{\pm}}^{2} - m_{H}^{2} + s) C_2 + C_{00} \right\} g_V^{cR} A_1 + g_V^{cL} A_2
\]

\[
+(4C_1 + C_2 - C_{12} - C_{22})[g_V^{cR} (A_3 + A_5) + g_V^{cL} (A_6 + A_4)]\}.
\] (C.4)

All the \(C_i\) and \(C_{ij}\) have the same arguments: \((m_{W}^{2}, s, m_{H^{\pm}}^{2}, m_{Z}^{2}, m_{A}^{2}, m_{H}^{2})\). The couplings are summarized in the following table; \(S\) is a generic notation for one of the Higgs bosons.

| \(S\) | \(g_{W+W-S}\) | \(g_{W+W-S}\) | \(g_{H-W+S}\) | \(gZW+W\) | \(g_{W+W}\) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| \(h\) | \(m_{Z}^{2} \ s_{\beta \alpha} \ c_{\beta \alpha} \) | \(m_{W}^{2} \ s_{\beta \alpha} \ c_{\beta \alpha} \) | \(c_{\beta \alpha} \) | \(-c_{\beta \alpha} \) | \(-1\) |
| \(H\) | \(m_{Z}^{2} \ s_{\beta \alpha} \ c_{\beta \alpha} \) | \(m_{W}^{2} \ s_{\beta \alpha} \ c_{\beta \alpha} \) | \(-s_{\beta \alpha} \) | \(-c_{\beta \alpha} \) | \(-1\) |

Therein, \(s_{\beta \alpha} \equiv \sin(\beta - \alpha)\) and \(c_{\beta \alpha} \equiv \cos(\beta - \alpha)\).

**Fig.1.4**

\[
M_{1.4} = \frac{2\alpha^2}{s-m_{W}^{2}} g_{Vs} s_{\beta} g_{W-W+S} g_{H-W+S} \left\{ C_{00}[g_V^{cR} A_1 + g_V^{cL} A_2]
\right.

\[
-(2C_0 + 2C_1 + 3C_2 + C_{12} + C_{22})[g_V^{cR} (A_3 + A_5) + g_V^{cL} (A_6 + A_4)]\}.
\] (C.5)
where the arguments of \( C_i \) and \( C_{ij} \) are now as follows: \((m_W^2, s, m_H^2, m_{S_i}^2, m_{S_j}^2, m_{S_k}^2)\). The couplings are summarized in the following table:

| \((S_i, S_j)\) | \(g_{Z, S_i}\) | \(g_{H - S_i}\) | \(g_{W - W + S_i}\) |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| \((A_0, h)\)  | \(\frac{-s_{\beta \alpha}}{2Wcw}\) | \(\frac{1}{2W}\) | \(s_{\beta \alpha} m_W\) |
| \((A_0, H)\)  | \(\frac{-s_{\beta \alpha}}{2Wcw}\) | \(\frac{1}{2W}\) | \(c_{\beta \alpha} m_W\) |

Fig.1.5

\[
M_{1.5} = \frac{\alpha^2}{s - m_V^2} g_{V, S_i} g_{W + S_i} g_{H - S_i} g_{S_i} \{ C_{00} [g_{V, A_1} + g_{V, A_2}] - (C_2 + C_{12} + C_{22}) [g_{V} (A_3 + A_5) + g_{V} (A_6 + A_4)] \}
\]

All the \( C_i \) and \( C_{ij} \) have the same arguments: \((m_W^2, s, m_H^2, m_{S_i}^2, m_{S_j}^2, m_{S_k}^2)\). The couplings are summarized in the following table:

| \((S_i, S_j, S_k)\) | \(g_{V, S_i}\) | \(g_{Z, S_i}\) | \(g_{H, S_i}\) | \(g_{W, S_i}\) |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| \((A_0, h, G^+)\)  | 0             | \(\frac{1}{2Wcw}\) | \(i g_{H} A_0 G^+\) | \(\frac{s_{\beta \alpha}}{2W}\) |
| \((A_0, H, G^+)\)  | 0             | \(\frac{-i s_{\beta \alpha}}{2Wcw}\) | \(i g_{H} A_0 G^-\) | \(\frac{s_{\beta \alpha}}{2W}\) |
| \((G^+, G^+, h)\)  | -1            | \(- \cos(2W)\) | \(g_{H} h G^+\) | \(\frac{s_{\beta \alpha}}{2W}\) |
| \((G^+, G^+, H)\)  | -1            | \(- \cos(2W)\) | \(g_{H} H G^+\) | \(\frac{s_{\beta \alpha}}{2W}\) |
| \((H^+, H^+, h)\)  | -1            | \(- \cos(2W)\) | \(g_{H} h H^+\) | \(\frac{s_{\beta \alpha}}{2W}\) |
| \((H^+, H^+, H)\)  | -1            | \(- \cos(2W)\) | \(g_{H} H H^+\) | \(\frac{s_{\beta \alpha}}{2W}\) |

where the \( g_{H, S_i S_k} \) couplings have been defined in appendix A.

Fig.1.6

\[
M_{1.6} = - \frac{\alpha^2}{s - m_V^2} g_{V, S_i} g_{W, S_i} g_{H, S_i} g_{S_i} \{ C_0 [g_{V, A_1} + g_{V, A_2}] \}
\]

where \( C_0 = C_0(m_W^2, s, m_H^2, m_{S_i}^2, m_{S_j}^2, m_{S_k}^2) \). The couplings are summarized in the following table:

| \((S_i, S_j, V^+)\) | \(g_{V, S_i}\) | \(g_{Z, S_i}\) | \(g_{H, S_i}\) | \(g_{W, S_i}\) |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| \((h, G^+, Z)\)  | 0             | \(m_Z \frac{s_{\beta \alpha}}{3Wcw}\) | \(g_{H} G^+ h\) | \(-m_Z s_W\) |
| \((H, G^+, Z)\)  | 0             | \(m_Z \frac{s_{\beta \alpha}}{3Wcw}\) | \(g_{H} G^+ H\) | \(-m_Z s_W\) |
| \((G^+, h, W^+)\)  | \(m_W\) | \(-m_Z s_W\) | \(g_{H} G^+ h\) | \(s_{\beta \alpha} m_W\) |
| \((G^+, H, W^+)\)  | \(m_W\) | \(-m_Z s_W\) | \(g_{H} G^+ H\) | \(c_{\beta \alpha} m_W\) |

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Fig.1.7

\[ M_{1.7} = \frac{2\alpha^2}{s-m^2_W}g_{VV'S_t}g_{W+s+s}g_{H-V'S_j}\{-C_{00}[g^e_A + g^\ell_A] + (-C_2 + C_{12} + C_{22})[g^e_A (A_3 + A_5) + g^\ell_A (A_6 + A_4)]\} \quad (C.8) \]

All the \( C_i \) and \( C_{ij} \) have the same arguments: \((m^2_W, s, m^2_{H\pm}, m^2_{S_t}, m^2_{S_j}, m^2_{V'})\). The couplings are summarized in the following table:

| \((S_i,S_j)\)   | \(g_{zW+S_i}\) | \(g_{ZW+S_i}\) | \(g_{H-W+S_j}\) | \(g_{W+S_iS_j}\) |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| \((G^\pm, h)\)   | \(m_w\)       | \(-m_zsW\)     | \(-2\alpha / 3\) | \(-3\alpha / 2\) |
| \((G^\pm, H)\)   | \(m_W\)       | \(-m_zsW\)     | \(-3\alpha / 2\) | \(-3\alpha / 2\) |

Fig.1.8

\[ M_{1.8} = -\frac{\alpha^2}{s-m^2_Z}g_{ZZS}g_{ZW-W+s}[\{B_0(s, m^2_{S_t}, m^2_Z) + (2m^2_{H\pm} + 3m^2_W - 2s)C_0 + [m^2_{H\pm} + 3m^2_W - s]C_1 + [3m^2_{H\pm} + m^2_W - s]C_2 - C_{00})[g^e_A + g^\ell_A]\} \quad (C.9) \]

where all the \( C_i \) and \( C_{ij} \) have the same arguments: \((m^2_W, s, m^2_{H\pm}, m^2_W, m^2_Z, m^2_{S_t})\). The couplings are summarized in the following table:

| \(S\)     | \(g_{ZZS}\) | \(g_{H-W+S}\) | \(g_{ZW+W-}\) |
|------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|
| \(h\)     | \(m_z / 3\) | \(-3\alpha / 2\) | \(-c_{sw} / 2\) |
| \(H\)     | \(m_z / 3\) | \(-3\alpha / 2\) | \(-c_{sw} / 2\) |

Fig.1.9

\[ M_{1.9} = \frac{\alpha^2}{s-m^2_V}g_{VW+H-S_t}g_{W+W-S_t}\{B_0(m^2_W, m^2_{S_t}, m^2_W)[g^e_A + g^\ell_A]\} \quad (C.10) \]

Fig.1.10

\[ M_{1.10} = -\frac{\alpha^2}{s-m^2_V}g_{VW+S_tS_t}g_{H-S_tS_t}\{B_0(m^2_{H\pm}, m^2_{S_t}, m^2_{H\pm})[g^e_A + g^\ell_A]\} \quad (C.11) \]
Fig.1.11

\[ M_{11} = \frac{\alpha^2}{s - m_Z^2} g_{ZW} + h - s_i g_{SZZ} \{ B_0(s, m_{S_i}^2, m_Z^2) [g_V^e R A_1 + g_V^e L A_2] \} \] (C.12)

where the couplings are given in the table

| \((S_1, S_2)\) | \(g_{ZW} + s_i s_2\) | \(g_{-W} + s_i s_3\) | \(g_{H} - s_i s_3\) |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| \((h, H^-)\)   | \(- \frac{s_3 a}{2 c_W}\) | \(\frac{s_3 a}{2 c_W}\) | \(g_{h} - h -\) |
| \((H, H^-)\)   | \(\frac{s_3 a}{2 c_W}\) | \(\frac{s_3 a}{2 c_W}\) | \(g_{H} - h -\) |
| \((h, G^+)\)   | \(- \frac{s_3 a}{2 c_W}\) | \(\frac{s_3 a}{2 c_W}\) | \(g_{h} - G^+\) |
| \((H, G^+)\)   | \(- \frac{s_3 a}{2 c_W}\) | \(\frac{s_3 a}{2 c_W}\) | \(g_{H} - G^+\) |

Box diagrams

Fig.1.12

\[ M_{h}^{Box} = - \frac{\alpha^2}{4 s_W^2} c_{\beta \alpha} s_{\beta \alpha} m_W \{ [C_0(m_{W}^2, m_{W}^2, s, m_{W}^2, 0, m_{W}^2) + (m_{h}^2 - u) D_0 + (m_{W}^2 - u) D_1 \\
+ (m_{W}^2 - s - t) D_3] A_2 - 4 D_1 A_1 \} \] (C.13)

where all the \(D_i\) functions have as arguments: \((m_{W}^2, m_{W}^2, m_{H}^2, m_{W}^2, s, m_{h}^2, 0, m_{W}^2)\). The corresponding box graph with a heavy neutral scalar is obtained by the substitution

\[ M_{h}^{Box} = - M_{h}^{Box}(m_h \to m_{H}) \] (C.14)

Counter-term diagrams

Denoting by \(k^\mu \Sigma_{HW}(k^2)\) the bare \(H^\pm W^\pm\) 2-point function, Fig.1.17 - Fig.1.20, the renormalized one is obtained by adding the counter-term (4.2). The renormalized non-diagonal self-energy \(\hat{\Sigma}_{HW}(k^2)\) is thus given by:

\[ \hat{\Sigma}_{HW}(k^2) = \Sigma_{HW}(k^2) - \Delta. \] (C.15)

According to the condition (4.6), requiring that the renormalized \(W^+ - H^-\) mixing vanishes, \(\Delta\) is determined by:

\[ \Delta = \text{Re} \Sigma_{HW}(m_{H}^2) . \] (C.16)

The self-energy \(\Sigma_{HW}(m_{H}^2) \equiv \Sigma_{HW}\) has the following explicit form:

\[ \Sigma_{HW} = \Sigma_{HW}^{\text{ferm}} + \Sigma_{HW}^{\text{bos}} . \]
The fermionic part is the sum over the individual fermion families, each one contributing
\[
\Sigma_{HW}^{ud} = -N_C \frac{\alpha}{2\sqrt{2}s_W \pi} (m_d Y_{ad} R B_0(m_{H^+}^2, m_{d}^2, m_{u}^2) + (m_u Y_{ud} R B_1(m_{H^+}^2, m_{d}^2, m_{u}^2)) ,
\]
(C.17)
and the bosonic part is given by
\[
\Sigma_{HW}^{bos} = \frac{\alpha}{8\pi s_W^2} (c_{\beta \alpha} g_{hH-H} - s_W B_0(m_{H^+}^2, m_{h}^2, m_{H^+}^2) - c_{\beta \alpha} m_W s_{\beta \alpha} B_0(m_{H^+}^2, m_{h}^2, m_{H^+}^2) +
2 c_{\beta \alpha} g_{hH-H} - s_W B_1(m_{H^+}^2, m_{h}^2, m_{H^+}^2) + c_{\beta \alpha} m_W s_{\beta \alpha} B_1(m_{H^+}^2, m_{h}^2, m_{H^+}^2) +
2 c_{\beta \alpha} g_{hH-H} - s_W B_1(m_{H^+}^2, m_{h}^2, m_{H^+}^2) - 2 g_{hH-H} - s_W B_1(m_{H^+}^2, m_{h}^2, m_{H^+}^2) -
\]
(C.18)
Then the amplitudes containing the counter terms, Fig.1.28, read:
\[
M_{\delta(vWH)} = \frac{4\pi g_v^2}{s - m_V^2} \text{Re}(\Sigma_{HW}) [g_v^{eR} A_1 + g_v^{eL} A_2]
\]
(C.19)
with \( g_Z = -s_W/c_W, g_{\gamma} = -1 \) and \( g_v^{eL,R} \) defined in (C.1)

**Amplitudes with non-diagonal self-energies**

**t-channel \( W^+ - H^- \) mixing**

The generic diagram for this topology is depicted in Fig.1.13. The amplitude contains only the invariant \( \mathcal{A}_2 \):
\[
M_{1.13} = \frac{e^2}{2s_W} \frac{\text{Im}(\Sigma_{HW}^{ferm}) + \text{Im}(\Sigma_{HW}^{bos})}{m_{H^-}^2 - m_W^2} \mathcal{A}_2
\]
(C.20)

**s-channel \( W^+ - H^- \) mixing**

The generic diagram for this topology is depicted in Fig.1.15. The amplitude can be projected on \( \mathcal{A}_{1,2} \) as follows:
\[
M_{1.15} = \frac{e^2 g_{WVW}}{(s - m_V^2)} (m_W^2 - s) \frac{\text{Im}(\Sigma_{HW}^{ferm}) + \text{Im}(\Sigma_{HW}^{bos})}{m_{H^-}^2 - m_W^2} (g_v^{eR} A_1 + g_v^{eL} A_2)
\]
(C.21)
where \( g_{ZWW} = c_W/s_W \) and \( g_{\gamma,WW} = 1 \)
s-channel $G^+H^-$ mixing

The non-diagonal Goldstone–$H^\pm$ self-energy is $\Sigma_{GH}$ evaluated in the same way as done before for the $W-H^\pm$ case ($k^2 = m_{H^\pm}^2$):

$$\Sigma_{GH} = \Sigma_{GH}^{\text{ferm}} + \Sigma_{GH}^{\text{bos}},$$

where the fermionic part is obtained by summing over the families with

$$\Sigma_{GH}^{\text{ud}} = \frac{-\alpha N_C}{2\sqrt{2m_W\pi s_W}} \left\{ (m_u Y_{ud}^L - m_d Y_{ud}^R) A_0 (m_d^2) + m_u (m_u^2 + m_d^2) Y_{ud}^L B_0 (m_{H^\pm}^2, m_d^2, m_u^2) 
+ m_{H^\pm}^2 (m_u Y_{ud}^L - m_d Y_{ud}^R) B_1 (m_{H^\pm}^2, m_u^2, m_d^2) \right\}, \quad (C.22)$$

and the bosonic part is given by

$$\Sigma_{GH}^{\text{bos}} = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \left\{ g_{hH^+H^-} g_{H^+H^-} B_0 (m_{H^\pm}^2, m_h^2, m_{H^\pm}^2) + g_{HH^+H^-} g_{H^+H^-} B_0 (m_{H^\pm}^2, m_{H^\pm}^2, m_h^2) + g_{H^+H^-} g_{H^+H^-} B_0 (m_{H^\pm}^2, m_{H^\pm}^2, m_h^2) - \frac{\color{red}{s\beta\alpha c^3}{}}{4s_W^2} (A_0 (m_W^2) + (m_h^2 + m_{H^\pm}^2) B_0 (m_{H^\pm}^2, m_{H^\pm}^2, m_h^2) - 2m_{H^\pm}^2 B_1 (m_{H^\pm}^2, m_h^2, m_h^2) + 
- (A_0 (m_W^2) + (m_h^2 + m_{H^\pm}^2) B_0 (m_{H^\pm}^2, m_{H^\pm}^2, m_W^2) - 2m_{H^\pm}^2 B_1 (m_{H^\pm}^2, m_h^2, m_W^2)) \right\}. \quad (C.23)$$

Then the amplitude of the diagram Fig.1.14 can be written in the form

$$M_{1.14} = \frac{e^2 g_{VW^+G^-} \text{Im}(\Sigma_{GH}^{\text{ud}}) + \text{Im}(\Sigma_{GH}^{\text{bos}})}{(s - m_{H^\pm}^2)} \left( g_{V}^R A_1 + g_{V}^L A_2 \right) \quad (C.24)$$

where $g_{Z\bar{W}+G^-} = -m_W s_W/c_W$ and $g_{\gamma\bar{W}+G^-} = m_W$. 

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Figure Captions:

Fig. 1: Feynman diagrams relevant for the $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+H^-$. Fig.1.1 → Fig.1.11 vertex diagrams, Fig.1.12 box diagram, Fig.1.13 → Fig.1.16 typical diagrams contributing the self energies mixing of $W^+-H^-$ and $G^+-H^-$, self-energies of the mixing $W^+-H^-$ Fig.1.17 → Fig.1.20, self-energies of the mixing $G^+-H^-$ Fig.1.21 → Fig.1.25. Fig.1.26 and Fig.1.27 are the counter term for the mixing $G^+-H^-$ and $W^+-H^-$. Fig. 1.28 are the counter–terms for the photon–$W^+-H^-$ and $Z-W^+-H^-$ vertices.

Fig. 2: Top–bottom contribution to the integrated cross section as a function of $\tan\beta$ in Model type I and II for $m_{H^\pm} = 220 GeV$, and $\sqrt{s} = 500 GeV$.

Fig. 3: Top–bottom contribution to the integrated cross section as a function of $\sqrt{s}$ for four values of $m_{H^\pm} = 140 GeV$, 185 GeV, 300 GeV, and 400 GeV. Fig. 3.a $\tan\beta = 0.6$ and Fig. 3.b $\tan\beta = 1.6$.

Fig. 4: Integrated total cross section as a function of $\sqrt{s}$ for four values of $\lambda_3$.

Fig. 4.a $C_1$ case: $m_{H^\pm} = 220$, $m_H = 180$, $m_h = 90$, $m_A = 80$, $\tan\alpha = 1.4$, $\tan\beta = 3.6$
Fig. 4.b $C_2$ case: $m_{H^\pm} = 300$, $m_H = 280$, $m_h = 120$, $m_A = 220$, $\tan\alpha = 2.4$, $\tan\beta = 1.6$
Fig. 4.c $C_3$ case: $m_{H^\pm} = 400$, $m_H = 380$, $m_h = 120$, $m_A = 370$, $\tan\alpha = 3$, $\tan\beta = 2$ (where all masses are in GeV)
Fig. 4.d Box contributions to the total cross section as function of the center of mass energy for $C_{1,2,3}$ configurations.

Fig. 5: Integrated total cross section as a function of $\tan\beta$ in the case of the $C_{1,2,3}$ configurations with $\lambda_3 = 0.1$ and for $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV (Fig.5.a), 1 TeV (Fig.5.b) and 1.5 TeV (Fig.5.c) respectively.

Fig. 6: Integrated total cross section as a function of $m_{H^\pm}$ for $\sqrt{s} = 500$, 1000, and 1500 GeV, with $\tan\beta = 2$, $\tan\alpha = 3$, $\lambda_3 = 0.1$, $m_H = 180$ GeV, $m_h = 90 GeV$ and $m_A = 80$ GeV.
Figure 1.1

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Figure. 1
Figure 1 (cont.)
Fig 2. a

\( \sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV} \)

\( m_{H^\pm} = 220 \text{ GeV} \)

Fig 2. b

\( \sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV} \)

\( m_{H^\pm} = 220 \text{ GeV} \)

Figure. 2
Fig 3. a

$m_{H^\pm} = 170 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{H^\pm} = 220 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{H^\pm} = 320 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{H^\pm} = 400 \text{ GeV}$

$\tan \beta = 0.6$

Fig 3. b

$m_{H^\pm} = 170 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{H^\pm} = 220 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{H^\pm} = 320 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{H^\pm} = 400 \text{ GeV}$

$\tan \beta = 1.6$

Figure 3
Fig 4. a (C₁ case)

\[ \sigma(fb) \]

\[ \sqrt{s} (\text{GeV}) \]

\( \lambda_3 = 0.1 \)
\( \lambda_3 = 0.9 \)
\( \lambda_3 = 1.5 \)
\( \lambda_3 = 2.1 \)

Fig 4. b (C₂ case)

\[ \sigma(fb) \]

\[ \sqrt{s} (\text{GeV}) \]

\( \lambda_3 = 0.1 \)
\( \lambda_3 = 3 \)
\( \lambda_3 = 5 \)
\( \lambda_3 = 8 \)

Figure. 4
Fig 4. c ($C_3$ case)

\begin{figure}[h]
\centering
\includegraphics[width=\textwidth]{figure4c}
\caption{$\lambda_3 = 0.1$ \hspace{1em} \cdots \hspace{1em} \lambda_3 = 3 \hspace{1em} \cdots \hspace{1em} \lambda_3 = 5 \hspace{1em} \cdots \hspace{1em} \lambda_3 = 8 \hspace{1em} \cdots
\end{figure}

\begin{figure}[h]
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\includegraphics[width=\textwidth]{figure4d}
\caption{$C_1$ case \hspace{1em} \cdots \hspace{1em} $C_2$ case \hspace{1em} \cdots \hspace{1em} $C_3$ case \hspace{1em} \cdots
\end{figure}

Figure. 4 (cont.)
\[ \sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV} \]
\[ \lambda_3 = 0.1 \]

\[ \sqrt{s} = 1 \text{ TeV} \]
\[ \lambda_3 = 0.1 \]
$\sqrt{s} = 1.5 \text{ TeV}$

$\lambda_3 = 0.1$

Figure. 5 (cont.)
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\frac{\tan \beta}{\sqrt{s}} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \frac{\tan \beta}{\sqrt{s}} = \frac{3}{2}, \quad \frac{\tan \beta}{\sqrt{s}} = 0:
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\begin{align*}
\sqrt{s} &= 500 \text{ GeV} \quad \text{--- solid line} \\
\sqrt{s} &= 1000 \text{ GeV} \quad \text{--- dotted line} \\
\sqrt{s} &= 1500 \text{ GeV} \quad \text{--- dashed line}
\end{align*}
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\[
\tan \beta = 2, \quad \lambda_3 = 0.1
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Figure 6