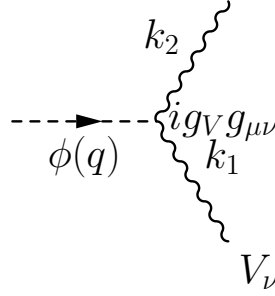


0.0.1 Scalar decay to two gauge bosons

I want to calculate the decay width for the process where gauge bosons (V_μ) are produced from the decay of any scalar field ϕ . The interaction Lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = g_V \phi V_\mu V^\mu \quad (1)$$

V_μ is similar to A_μ . Thus, V_μ has mass dimension. Therefore, the mass dimension of coupling g_V is 1. The Feynman diagram is as follows:



Feynman amplitude

$$\mathcal{M} = i g_V g^{\mu\nu} \epsilon_\mu^*(k_1, s_1) \epsilon_\nu^*(k_2, s_2) \quad (2)$$

where s_1 and s_2 are the spins of produced particles.

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = (g_V m_V)^2 \sum_{s_1} \epsilon_\mu^*(k_1, s_1) \epsilon_\alpha^*(k_1, s_1) \sum_{s_2} \epsilon_\nu^*(k_2, s_2) \epsilon_\beta^*(k_2, s_2) g^{\mu\nu} g^{\alpha\beta} \quad (3)$$

Now, we will use the relations $\sum_s \epsilon_\mu^*(k, s) \epsilon_\alpha^*(k, s) = -g_{\mu\alpha} + \frac{k_\mu k_\alpha}{m_V^2}$

$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = \frac{\delta_V}{2} (g_V m_V)^2 \left(-g_{\mu\alpha} + \frac{k_{1\mu} k_{1\alpha}}{m_V^2} \right) \left(-g_{\nu\beta} + \frac{k_{2\nu} k_{2\beta}}{m_V^2} \right) g^{\mu\nu} g^{\alpha\beta} \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{\delta_V}{2} (g_V m_V)^2 \left(g_{\mu\alpha} g_{\nu\beta} - \frac{k_{1\mu} k_{1\alpha}}{m_V^2} g_{\nu\beta} - g_{\mu\alpha} \frac{k_{2\nu} k_{2\beta}}{m_V^2} + \frac{k_{1\mu} k_{1\alpha}}{m_V^2} \frac{k_{2\nu} k_{2\beta}}{m_V^2} \right) g^{\mu\nu} g^{\alpha\beta} \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{\delta_V}{2} (g_V m_V)^2 \left(4 - \frac{k_1 \cdot k_1}{m_V^2} - \frac{k_2 \cdot k_2}{m_V^2} + \frac{(k_1 \cdot k_2)^2}{m_V^4} \right) \quad (6)$$

$\delta_V/2$ is whether decay is to identical particles or not: $\delta_V = 2$ if not identical particles and $\delta_V = 1$ if identical particles. Here we also have used $g^{\mu\nu}g_{\mu\nu} = 4$.

Now, using $k_1^2 = -m_1^2$, $k_2^2 = -m_2^2$, and $k_1 \cdot k_2 = (M_\phi^2 - m_1^2 - m_2^2)/2$, where M_ϕ is the mass of ϕ , we get

$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = \frac{\delta_V}{2}(g_V m_V)^2 \left(2 + \frac{(M_\phi^2 - m_1^2 - m_2^2)^2}{4m_V^4} \right) \quad (7)$$

where $m_1 = m_2 = m_V$ and $\delta_V = 2$, as I choose outgoing particles are identical.