

# Higgs decay to two gluons

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## (a) The decay rate

An unstable particle has a probability to decay to a certain number of final states during a given time interval. The process of decaying is described by the decay rate as

$$\Gamma \equiv \frac{\text{Number of decays per unit time}}{\text{Number of undecayed particles present}}$$

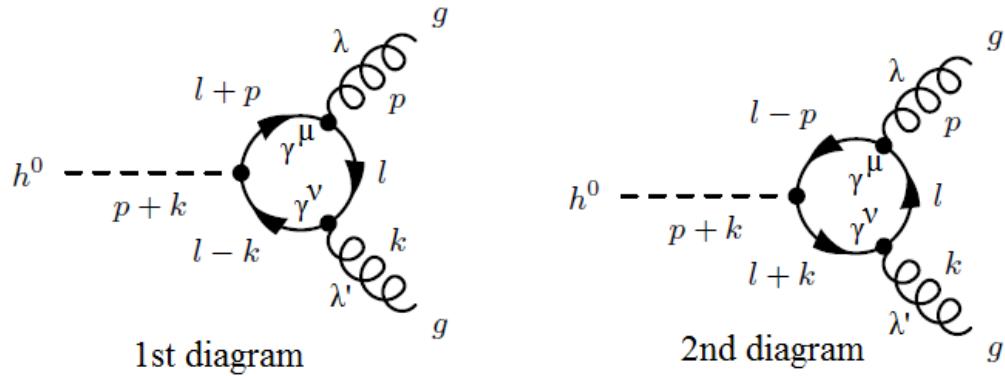
One of the channels, the scalar Higgs decays through is  $h \rightarrow 2g$  (two gluons). In the Higgs rest frame, the decay rate in the neighborhood of the final momenta  $\vec{p}$  and  $\vec{k}$  is:

$$d\Gamma = \frac{1}{2m_A} \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_p} \cdot \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_k} |M(m_h \rightarrow p, k)|^2 (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(m_h - p - k)$$

where  $M(m_h \rightarrow p, k)$  is the the decay amplitude, a quantity that describes the interactions that take place during the decay.

## (b) From the Feynman diagram to the decay amplitude.

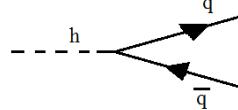
The decay involves a fermion (quark) loop. For each quark there are two possible Feynman diagrams that contribute to the decay amplitude.



For the first diagram. We recognize three vertices and three fermion propagators:  
Each fermion propagator contributes:

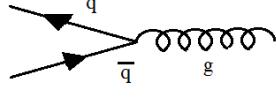
$$\overrightarrow{p} = \frac{i(\tilde{p} + m)}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

The Higgs-fermion-antifermion (quark-antiquark) vertex contribution to the amplitude is:



$$= -i \frac{m_q}{v} \delta^{ab}$$

$v$  is the vacuum expectation value for the Higgs and the Kronecker delta ensures color conservation. The gluon-quark-anti quark vertex contribution is:



$$= ig\gamma^\mu t^\alpha$$

The diagram contains a loop momentum  $\tilde{l}$ . We need to integrate over this loop momentum. So finally the matrix element can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} M &= -i \frac{m_q}{v} (-1) \times \\ &\int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} Tr \left[ \frac{i(\tilde{l} - \tilde{k} + m_q)}{(l - k)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon} ig_s \gamma^\nu \frac{i(\tilde{l} + m_q)}{l^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon} ig_s \gamma^\mu \frac{i(\tilde{l} + \tilde{p} + m_q)}{(l + p)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon} \times \right. \\ &\left. Tr[t^b t^a] \cdot \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p) \right] \end{aligned}$$

where  $\epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k)$ ,  $\epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p)$  the polarization vectors of the outgoing gluons.

### (c) Calculating the decay amplitude:

The numerator  $N$  of the loop momentum integral contains  $3 \times 2 \times 3 = 18$  terms. Using trace technology we can eventually simplify it:

$$\begin{aligned} Tr[N] &= (i)^5 \cdot g_s^2 \cdot Tr[(\tilde{l} - \tilde{k} + m_q) \gamma^\nu (\tilde{l} + m_q) \gamma^\mu (\tilde{l} + \tilde{p} + m_q)] \\ &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot Tr[(\tilde{l} - \tilde{k} + m_q) \cdot (\gamma^\nu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu m_q) (\gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\mu m_q)] \\ &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot Tr\{(\tilde{l} - \tilde{k} + m_q) \cdot [\gamma^\nu \tilde{l} (\gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\mu m_q) + \gamma^\nu m_q (\gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\mu m_q)]\} \\ &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot Tr\{(\tilde{l} - \tilde{k} + m_q) \cdot [\gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu m_q \\ &\quad + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu m_q]\} \\ &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot Tr\{\tilde{l} \cdot [\gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu m_q + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu m_q] \\ &\quad - \tilde{k}[\gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu m_q + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu m_q] \\ &\quad + m_q[\gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\nu \tilde{l} \gamma^\mu m_q + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu \tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu \tilde{p} + \gamma^\nu m_q \gamma^\mu m_q]\} \end{aligned}$$

To simplify things we drop all the terms with odd number of gamma matrices using the property

$$Tr[odd\ number\ of\ \gamma's] = 0$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} Tr[N] &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot Tr\{\tilde{l}\gamma^\nu\tilde{l}\gamma^\mu m_q + \tilde{l}\gamma^\nu m_q\gamma^\mu\tilde{l} + \tilde{l}\gamma^\nu m_q\gamma^\mu\tilde{p} \\ &\quad - \tilde{k}\gamma^\nu\tilde{l}\gamma^\mu m_q - \tilde{k}\gamma^\nu m_q\gamma^\mu\tilde{l} - \tilde{k}\gamma^\nu m_q\gamma^\mu\tilde{p} \\ &\quad + m_q[\gamma^\nu\tilde{l}\gamma^\mu\tilde{l} + \gamma^\nu\tilde{l}\gamma^\mu\tilde{p} + \gamma^\nu m_q\gamma^\mu m_q]\} \end{aligned}$$

Grouping some terms:

$$\begin{aligned} Tr[N] &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q \cdot Tr[\tilde{l}\gamma^\nu\{\tilde{l}, \gamma^\mu\} + \{\tilde{l}, \gamma^\nu\}\gamma^\mu\tilde{p}] \\ &\quad - \tilde{k}\gamma^\nu\{\tilde{l}, \gamma^\mu\} - \tilde{k}\gamma^\nu\gamma^\mu\tilde{p} \\ &\quad + \gamma^\nu\tilde{l}\gamma^\mu\tilde{l}] + i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q^3 \cdot Tr[\gamma^\nu\gamma^\mu] \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore using

$$Tr[\gamma^\nu\gamma^\mu] = 4g^{\mu\nu}$$

and

$$\{\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu\} = 2g^{\mu\nu}$$

For the first term in the square bracket the calculations yield:

$$\begin{aligned} Tr[\tilde{l}\gamma^\nu\{\tilde{l}, \gamma^\mu\}] &= Tr[\tilde{l}\gamma^\nu\{l_\alpha\gamma^\alpha, \gamma^\mu\}] = Tr[\tilde{l}\gamma^\nu l_\alpha\{\gamma^\alpha, \gamma^\mu\}] = Tr[\tilde{l}\gamma^\nu l_\alpha 2g^{\alpha\mu}] \\ &= Tr[\tilde{l}\gamma^\nu l^\mu 2] = Tr[l_\rho\gamma^\rho\gamma^\nu l^\mu 2] \\ &= 2l^\mu l_\rho \cdot Tr[\gamma^\rho\gamma^\nu] = 8l^\mu l_\rho g^{\rho\nu} = 8l^\mu l^\nu \end{aligned}$$

So the trace can now be written:

$$\begin{aligned} Tr[N] &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q \cdot [8l^\mu l^\nu + 8l^\nu p^\mu - 8k^\nu l^\mu + Tr[-k_\alpha\gamma^\alpha\gamma^\nu\gamma^\mu p_\beta\gamma^\beta + \gamma^\nu l_\alpha\gamma^\alpha\gamma^\mu l_\beta\gamma^\beta]] \\ &\quad + i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q^3 \cdot 4g^{\mu\nu} \\ &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q \cdot [8l^\mu l^\nu + 8l^\nu p^\mu - 8k^\nu l^\mu + Tr[-k_\alpha p_\beta\gamma^\alpha\gamma^\nu\gamma^\mu\gamma^\beta + l_\alpha l_\beta\gamma^\nu\gamma^\alpha\gamma^\mu\gamma^\beta]] \\ &\quad + i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q^3 \cdot 4g^{\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

Also an other identity that should be used:

$$Tr[\gamma^\mu\gamma^\nu\gamma^\rho\gamma^\sigma] = 4(g^{\mu\nu}g^{\rho\sigma} - g^{\mu\rho}g^{\nu\sigma} + g^{\mu\sigma}g^{\nu\rho})$$

Giving:

$$\begin{aligned} Tr[N] &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q \cdot [8l^\mu l^\nu + 8l^\nu p^\mu - 8k^\nu l^\mu - 4k_\alpha p_\beta(g^{\alpha\nu}g^{\mu\beta} - g^{\alpha\mu}g^{\nu\beta} + g^{\alpha\beta}g^{\mu\nu}) \\ &\quad + 4l_\alpha l_\beta(g^{\nu\alpha}g^{\mu\beta} - g^{\nu\mu}g^{\alpha\beta} + g^{\nu\beta}g^{\mu\alpha})] + i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q^3 \cdot 4g^{\mu\nu} \\ &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q \cdot [8l^\mu l^\nu + 8l^\nu p^\mu - 8k^\nu l^\mu - 4k^\nu p^\mu + 4k^\mu p^\nu - 4 \cdot kp \cdot g^{\mu\nu} \\ &\quad + 4l^\nu l^\mu - 4l^\mu g^{\nu\mu} + 4l^\mu l^\nu] + i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q^3 \cdot 4g^{\mu\nu} \\ &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q \cdot [16l^\mu l^\nu + 8l^\nu p^\mu - 8k^\nu l^\mu - 4k^\nu p^\mu + 4k^\mu p^\nu - 4 \cdot kp \cdot g^{\mu\nu} - 4l^2 g^{\nu\mu}] \\ &\quad + i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q^3 \cdot 4g^{\mu\nu} \\ &= i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot 4m_q \cdot [4(l^\mu l^\nu - l^2 g^{\nu\mu}) + 2(l^\nu p^\mu - k^\nu l^\mu) - k^\nu p^\mu + k^\mu p^\nu + (m^2 - kp) \cdot g^{\mu\nu}] \end{aligned}$$

The next task is to treat the denominator:

$$\frac{1}{((l-k)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon)(l^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon)((l+p)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon)}$$

The integration is over  $l$ . We see that we have a product  $l^2 \times l^2 \times l^2$  in terms of powers of  $l$ . So we can rewrite the denominator in the form of a quadratic polynomial raised in the third power. This procedure is called Feynman parametrization.

We start from observing that the integral

$$\int_{x=0}^{x=1} dx \frac{1}{[xA + (1-x)B]^2} = \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int dy \cdot \delta(x+y-1) \frac{1}{[xA + yB]^2}$$

is easily calculated and is equal with  $\frac{1}{AB}$ . For three terms in the denominator the appropriate formula is:

$$\frac{1}{ABC} = \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{y=0}^1 \int_{z=0}^1 dx dy dz \cdot \delta(x+y+z-1) \frac{2!}{[xA + yB + zC]^3}$$

With  $A = ((l-k)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon)$ ,  $B = (l^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon)$ ,  $C = ((l+p)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{ABC} &= \int_{x,y,z=0}^{x=1} dx dy dz \frac{2\delta(x+y+z-1)}{[xA + yB + zC]^3} \\ &= \int_{x,y,z=0}^{x=1} dx dy dz \frac{2\delta(x+y+z-1)}{[x((l-k)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon) + y(l^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon) + z((l+p)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon)]^3} \\ &= \int_{x,y,z=0}^{x=1} \frac{2\delta(x+y+z-1)}{[(x+y+z)l^2 + xk^2 - 2xlk + 2zlp + zp^2 - (x+y+z)m_q^2 + (x+y+z)i\epsilon]^3} dx dy dz \end{aligned}$$

The delta function imposes the constraint  $x+y+z=1$  so

$$\frac{1}{ABC} = \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{z=0}^{z=1-x} dx dz \frac{2}{[l^2 + xk^2 + 2l(zp - xk) + zp^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon]^3}$$

We complete the square by adding and subtracting the term  $(zp - xk)^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{ABC} &= \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{z=0}^{1-x} \frac{2dxdz}{[\underline{l^2 + xk^2} + \underline{2l(zp - xk)} + \underline{(zp - xk)^2} - (zp - xk)^2 + zp^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon]^3} \\ &= \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{z=0}^{1-x} \frac{2dxdz}{[(l + zp - xk)^2 + xk^2 - (zp - xk)^2 + zp^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon]^3} \\ &= \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{z=0}^{1-x} \frac{2dxdz}{[(l + zp - xk)^2 + xk^2 - (z^2 p^2 + x^2 k^2 - 2xzp k) + zp^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon]^3} \end{aligned}$$

$k^2$  and  $p^2$  are zero since they express the masses of the gluons which are massless. So the denominator becomes:

$$\frac{1}{ABC} = \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{z=0}^{1-x} dx dz \frac{2}{[(l + (zp - xk))^2 + 2xzkp - m_q^2 + i\epsilon]^3}$$

$p + k$  is the four momentum of the Higgs scalar and  $p$  and  $k$  are the four momenta of the gluons. Also the square of the four momentum expresses the mass squared. So we have

$$\begin{aligned} (p+k)^2 &= m_h^2 \\ p^2 + k^2 + 2pk &= m_h^2 \\ 2pk &= m_h^2 \end{aligned}$$

Finally by setting  $l + (zp - xk) = \ell$  and  $xzm_h^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon = \Delta$  the denominator becomes

$$\frac{1}{ABC} = \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int dx dz \frac{2}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3}$$

Going back to the numerator:

$$N = i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot 4m_q \cdot \overbrace{[4(l^\mu l^\nu - l^2 g^{\nu\mu}) + 2(l^\nu p^\mu - k^\nu l^\mu)]} - k^\nu p^\mu + k^\mu p^\nu + (m_q^2 - kp) \cdot g^{\mu\nu}$$

We will call the term under the overbrace  $N(L)$ , denoting the terms of the numerator that contain the loop momentum  $l$ . These terms will be shifted to the new momentum  $\ell = l + zp - xk \rightarrow l = \ell - zp + xk$

$$\begin{aligned} N(L) &= 4(l^\mu l^\nu - l^2 g^{\nu\mu}) + 2(l^\nu p^\mu - k^\nu l^\mu) \\ &= 4[(\ell - zp + xk)^\mu (\ell - zp + xk)^\nu - (\ell - zp + xk)^2 g^{\mu\nu}] \\ &\quad + 2((\ell - zp + xk)^\nu p^\mu - k^\nu (\ell - zp + xk)^\mu) \\ &= 4[(\ell^\mu - zp^\mu + xk^\mu)(\ell^\nu - zp^\nu + xk^\nu) - (\ell^2 + 2\ell(xk - zp) + x^2 k^2 + z^2 p^2 + 2xzkp)g^{\mu\nu}] \\ &\quad + 2[(\ell^\nu - zp^\nu + xk^\nu)p^\mu - k^\nu(\ell^\mu - zp^\mu + xk^\mu)] = \end{aligned}$$

Dropping  $k^2$  and  $p^2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} &4[(\ell^\mu \ell^\nu + \ell^\mu (xk^\nu - zp^\nu) + \ell^\nu (xk^\mu - zp^\mu) + (xk^\nu - zp^\nu)(xk^\mu - zp^\mu) \\ &\quad - (\ell^2 + 2\ell(xk - zp) - 2xzkp)g^{\mu\nu})] + \\ &\quad + 2(\ell^\nu p^\mu - zp^\nu p^\mu + xk^\nu p^\mu - k^\nu \ell^\mu + zk^\nu p^\mu - xk^\nu k^\mu) \end{aligned}$$

To simplify things even more we observe that we have some linear terms with respect to  $\ell$ . For example the term  $\ell^\mu(xk^\nu - zp^\nu)$  inside the integral will be

$$\int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int_{z=0}^{1-x} dx dz \int d^4 l \frac{2\ell^\mu(xk^\nu - zp^\nu)}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3}$$

Since the interval of integration is symmetric and the integrand is an odd function, the integral vanishes. So we can drop all linear ( $\ell$ ) terms from the numerator, which now becomes.

$$\begin{aligned}
N(L) &= 4[(\ell^\mu \ell^\nu + (xk^\nu - zp^\nu)(xk^\mu - zp^\mu)] - [\ell^2 - 2xzkp]g^{\mu\nu}] \\
&\quad + 2(-zp^\nu p^\mu + xk^\nu p^\mu + zk^\nu p^\mu - xk^\nu k^\mu) \\
&= 4[(\ell^\mu \ell^\nu + x^2 k^\nu k^\mu - zxk^\nu p^\mu - xzp^\nu k^\mu + z^2 p^\nu p^\mu] \\
&\quad - (\ell^2 - 2xzkp)g^{\mu\nu}) + 2(-zp^\nu p^\mu + xk^\nu p^\mu + zk^\nu p^\mu - xk^\nu k^\mu) \\
&= 4\ell^\mu \ell^\nu - \ell^2 g^{\mu\nu} + (4z^2 - 2z)p^\nu p^\mu + (4x^2 - 2x)k^\nu k^\mu \\
&\quad - 4xzp^\nu k^\mu + (2x + 2z - 4zx)k^\nu p^\mu + xz \cdot m_h^2 g^{\mu\nu}
\end{aligned}$$

Now we have everything that we need to calculate the integral

$$\int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} Tr \left[ \frac{i(\tilde{l} - \tilde{k} + m_q)}{(l - k)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon} ig_s \gamma^\nu \frac{i(\tilde{l} + m_q)}{l^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon} ig_s \gamma^\mu \frac{i(\tilde{l} + \tilde{p} + m_q)}{(l + p)^2 - m_q^2 + i\epsilon} \right]$$

Which now becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_{x=0}^1 \int dx dz \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4} ig_s^2 4m_q \left\{ \frac{2 \cdot [4\ell^\mu \ell^\nu - \ell^2 g^{\mu\nu} + (4z^2 - 2z)p^\nu p^\mu + (4x^2 - 2x)k^\nu k^\mu - 4xzp^\nu k^\mu]}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} + \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{2(2x + 2z - 4zx)k^\nu p^\mu + 2xz \cdot m_h^2 g^{\mu\nu} - 2k^\nu p^\mu + 2k^\mu p^\nu + 2(m^2 - kp) \cdot g^{\mu\nu}}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

With  $pk = \frac{1}{2}m_h^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_{x=0}^1 \int dx dz \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4} \cdot ig_s^2 \cdot 4m_q \left\{ \frac{2 \cdot \overbrace{[4\ell^\mu \ell^\nu - \ell^2 g^{\mu\nu} + (4z^2 - 2z)p^\nu p^\mu + (4x^2 - 2x)k^\nu k^\mu]}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{2[(1 - 4xz)p^\nu k^\mu + (2x + 2z - 1 - 4zx)k^\nu p^\mu + (m_q^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 + xz \cdot m_h^2)g^{\mu\nu}]}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

Lets deal with the terms under the overbrace, containing  $\ell^2$  and  $\ell^\mu \ell^\nu$  first.

$$I(\ell) = \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4} \left( \frac{8\ell^\mu \ell^\nu}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} - \frac{2\ell^2 g^{\mu\nu}}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} \right)$$

First the integral  $\int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\ell^\mu \ell^\nu}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3}$  will vanish if  $\mu \neq \nu$  this can be seen through the example

$$\int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\ell^1 \ell^2}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^3 \ell d^4 \ell \int d^2 \ell \left[ \int d^1 \ell \frac{\ell^1}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} \right] \ell^2$$

The integral in the brackets has an odd integrand in a symmetric integration interval so it vanishes. So only the terms where  $\mu = \nu$  really matter. A tensorial quantity that has the  $\mu \neq \nu$  elements zero is  $g^{\mu\nu}$ . So assume that  $\ell^\mu \ell^\nu$  is proportional to  $g^{\mu\nu}$ :

$$\ell^\mu \ell^\nu = \lambda g^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow g_{\mu\nu} \ell^\mu \ell^\nu = \lambda g_{\mu\nu} g^{\mu\nu}$$

But  $g_{\mu\nu}g^{\mu\nu}$  is equal with  $d$ , the dimension of the space. So  $\lambda = \frac{\ell^2}{d}$ . Now the integral  $I(\ell)$  can be written:

$$I(\ell) = \int \frac{d^4\ell}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{2(\frac{4}{d}-1)g^{\mu\nu}\ell^2}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3}$$

To proceed we employ the technique called dimensional regularization. First we perform a Wick rotation  $\ell^0 \rightarrow i\ell^0$ . By doing this we get rid of the minus sign of the Minkowski metric and now  $d^4\ell = d\Omega^3 d^3\ell$  in "polare coordinates" can be written. We start from the  $d$ -dimensional integral (in "polar" coordinates, dD Euklidean) :

$$\int \frac{d^d\ell}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{i \cdot \ell^2}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} = i \int \frac{d\Omega^d}{(2\pi)^d} \int_0^\infty d\ell \frac{\ell^2 \ell^{d-1}}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3}$$

Note that the factor  $i$  came from the replacement  $\ell^0 \rightarrow i\ell^0$ . Also notice that the sign of  $\Delta$  has changed.

The area of a  $d$ -dimensional sphere is

$$\int d\Omega_d = \frac{2\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(d/2)}$$

The second integral is

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty d\ell \frac{\ell^{d+1}}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\ell^2=0}^\infty d(\ell^2 - \Delta) \frac{(\ell^2)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\ell^2=0}^\infty d(\ell^2 - \Delta) \frac{(\ell^2)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^2 (\ell^2 - \Delta)} = \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\ell^2=0}^\infty d\left(\frac{1}{\ell^2 - \Delta}\right) \frac{(\ell^2)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\ell^2 - \Delta} = -\frac{1}{2\Delta} \int_{-1}^0 d\left(\frac{\Delta}{\ell^2 - \Delta}\right) \frac{(\ell^2 - \Delta + \Delta)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\ell^2 - \Delta} = \\ &= -\frac{1}{2\Delta} \int_{-1}^0 d\left(\frac{\Delta}{\ell^2 - \Delta}\right) \frac{(\ell^2 - \Delta + \Delta)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\ell^2 - \Delta} = -\frac{1}{2\Delta} \int_{-1}^0 d\left(\frac{\Delta}{\ell^2 - \Delta}\right) \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{\ell^2 - \Delta}{\Delta} + 1\right)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\Delta \frac{\ell^2 - \Delta}{\Delta}} = \\ &= \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \int_0^1 d\left(\frac{\Delta}{\ell^2 - \Delta}\right) \frac{\left(\frac{\ell^2 - \Delta}{\Delta} + 1\right)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\frac{\ell^2 - \Delta}{\Delta}} = \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \int_0^1 d\left(\frac{\Delta}{\ell^2 - \Delta}\right) \frac{\left(\frac{\ell^2 - \Delta}{\Delta} + 1\right)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\frac{\ell^2 - \Delta}{\Delta}} = \\ &= \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \int_0^1 dy \frac{\left(\frac{1}{y} + 1\right)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\frac{1}{y}} = \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \int_0^1 dy \cdot y \cdot y^{-\frac{d}{2}} (y + 1)^{\frac{d}{2}} = \\ &= \frac{-\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \int_0^1 d(-y) \cdot (-1)^{1-\frac{d}{2}} \cdot (-y)^{1-\frac{d}{2}} (-1)^{\frac{d}{2}} (-y - 1)^{\frac{d}{2}} = \\ &= \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \int_0^1 dx \cdot (x)^{1-\frac{d}{2}} (x - 1)^{\frac{d}{2}} = \\ &= \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \int_0^1 dx \cdot x^{2-\frac{d}{2}-1} (x - 1)^{1+\frac{d}{2}-1} \end{aligned}$$

Comparing with definition of the beta function :

$$\int_0^1 dx \cdot (x)^{\alpha-1} (x-1)^{\beta-1} = B(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}$$

the last integral can be written:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty d\ell \frac{\ell^{d+1}}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} &= \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \frac{\Gamma(2 - \frac{d}{2})\Gamma(1 + \frac{d}{2})}{\Gamma(3)} \\ &= \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \frac{\Gamma(2 - \frac{d}{2}) \cdot \frac{d}{2}\Gamma(\frac{d}{2})}{\Gamma(3)} \end{aligned}$$

So the integral we wish to calculate can be written:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{d^d \ell}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{2(\frac{4}{d}-1)\ell^2}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} &= 2(\frac{4}{d}-1) \int \frac{d\Omega^d}{(2\pi)^d} \int_0^\infty d\ell \frac{\ell^2 \ell^{d-1}}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} \\ &= 2(\frac{4}{d}-1) \frac{2\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(d/2)} \cdot \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{\Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}}{2} \frac{\Gamma(2 - \frac{d}{2}) \cdot \frac{d}{2}\Gamma(\frac{d}{2})}{\Gamma(3)} \\ &= 2(\frac{4}{d}-1) \frac{d}{2} \frac{1}{4^{\frac{d}{2}} \pi^{d/2}} \Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2} \frac{\Gamma(2 - \frac{d}{2})}{\Gamma(3)} \end{aligned}$$

This is potentially divergent. We need to examine the behavior in the neighborhood of  $d = 4$  which the dimension of our Minkowski space. To do so we introduce  $2\varepsilon = 4 - d$ . So

$$\Gamma(2 - \frac{d}{2}) = \Gamma(\varepsilon)$$

This gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2(\frac{4}{d}-1)\frac{d}{2}}{4^{\frac{d}{2}} \pi^{d/2}} \Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2} \frac{\Gamma(2 - \frac{d}{2})}{\Gamma(3)} &= \frac{(4-d)}{(4\pi)^2} \left(\frac{\Delta}{4\pi}\right)^{\frac{d}{2}-2} \frac{\Gamma(2 - \frac{d}{2})}{\Gamma(3)} \\ &= \frac{2\varepsilon}{(4\pi)^2} \left(\frac{\Delta}{4\pi}\right)^{-\varepsilon} \frac{\Gamma(\varepsilon)}{\Gamma(3)} \end{aligned}$$

Using now the expansion of the  $\Gamma$  function:

$$\Gamma(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - \gamma + O(\varepsilon)$$

the above becomes

$$\frac{2\varepsilon}{(4\pi)^2} \left(\frac{\Delta}{4\pi}\right)^{-\varepsilon} \frac{\Gamma(\varepsilon)}{\Gamma(3)} = \frac{2\varepsilon}{(4\pi)^2} \left(\frac{4\pi}{\Delta}\right)^{\varepsilon} \frac{\frac{1}{\varepsilon} - \gamma + O(\varepsilon)}{2}$$

where  $\gamma$  the Euler - Mascheroni constant and  $(\frac{4\pi}{\Delta})^\varepsilon \approx 1$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{d^d \ell}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{2(\frac{4}{d} - 1)\ell^2}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} &= \frac{\varepsilon}{(4\pi)^2} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - \gamma + O(\varepsilon) \right] \\ &= \frac{1 - \varepsilon\gamma + \varepsilon O(\varepsilon)}{(4\pi)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  we see that for  $d = 4$  the integral does not diverge and its value is  $\boxed{\frac{i}{16\pi^2}}$ .

The part of the integral in M that does not contain any  $\ell$  (we denote it as  $I$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{x=0}^1 \int dx dz \cdot i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot 4m_q \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4} \left[ \frac{2 \cdot [(4z^2 - 2z)p^\nu p^\mu + (4x^2 - 2x)k^\nu k^\mu + (1 - 4xz)p^\nu k^\mu]}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{2[(2x + 2z - 1 - 4zx)k^\nu p^\mu + (m_q^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 + xz \cdot m_h^2)g^{\mu\nu}]}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} \right] \\ &= \int_{x=0}^1 \int dx dz \cdot i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot 4m_q \times 2 \cdot [(4z^2 - 2z)p^\nu p^\mu + (4x^2 - 2x)k^\nu k^\mu \\ &\quad + (1 - 4xz)p^\nu k^\mu + (2x + 2z - 1 - 4zx)k^\nu p^\mu + (m_q^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 + xz \cdot m_h^2)g^{\mu\nu}] \\ &\quad \times \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} \end{aligned}$$

Lets repeat the calculation for the integral:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int \frac{d^4\ell}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{[\ell^2 + \Delta]^3} &= (\ell \rightarrow i\ell) \\
&= -i \int \frac{d\Omega^4}{(2\pi)^4} \int_0^\infty d\ell \frac{\ell^{4-1}}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} \\
&= -i \int \frac{d\Omega^4}{(2\pi)^4} \int_0^\infty d\ell \frac{\ell^{4-1}}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} \\
&= -i \frac{2\pi^2}{16\pi^4} \int_0^\infty d\ell \frac{\ell^3}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} \\
&= -i \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{\ell^2 d\ell^2}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{(\ell^2 - \Delta + \Delta) d\ell^2}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} \\
&= -i \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left[ \int_0^\infty \frac{d\ell^2}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^2} + \int_0^\infty \frac{\Delta d\ell^2}{[\ell^2 - \Delta]^3} \right] \\
&= -i \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left[ \int_{-\Delta}^\infty \frac{dx}{x^2} + \int_{-\Delta}^\infty \Delta \frac{dx}{x^3} \right] \\
&= -i \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left[ \left( \frac{-1}{x} \Big|_{-\Delta}^\infty \right) + \left( \frac{-\Delta}{2x^2} \Big|_{-\Delta}^\infty \right) \right] = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left[ \frac{-1}{\Delta} + \frac{\Delta}{2\Delta^2} \right] \\
&= \frac{i}{2 \cdot 16\pi^2 \Delta}
\end{aligned}$$

This quantity will be multiplied with the polarization vectors of the gluons  $\epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'*}(k)$ ,  $\epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p)$ . But having in mind the transversality of the polarization:  $p^\mu \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p) = 0$  and  $k^\nu \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda*}(k) = 0$ , many terms vanish. The terms that will survive are  $[(1 - 4xz)p^\nu k^\mu + (m_q^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 + xz \cdot m_h^2)g^{\mu\nu}] \frac{1}{2 \cdot 16\pi^2 \Delta}$ . So the initial expression of the decay amplitude  $M$  can now be written:

$$\begin{aligned}
M &= -i \frac{m}{v} (-1) \times \\
&\quad i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot 4m_q \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int dx dz \left[ \frac{ig^{\mu\nu}}{16\pi^2} + i \frac{2 \cdot [(1-4xz)p^\nu k^\mu + (m_q^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 + xz \cdot m_h^2)g^{\mu\nu}]}{2 \cdot 16\pi^2 \Delta} \right] \\
&\quad \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot Tr[t^b t^a] \\
M &= -i \frac{m}{v} (-1) \times i \cdot g_s^2 \cdot 4m_q \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int dx dz \left[ \frac{g^{\mu\nu}\Delta + [(1-4xz)p^\nu k^\mu + (m_q^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 + xz \cdot m_h^2)g^{\mu\nu}]}{16\pi^2 \Delta} \right] \times \\
&\quad \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot Tr[t^b t^a] \\
M &= -\frac{m}{v} \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int dx dz \left[ \frac{g^{\mu\nu}(-m_q^2 + xzm_h^2) + [(1-4xz)p^\nu k^\mu + (m_q^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 + xz \cdot m_h^2)g^{\mu\nu}]}{4\pi^2 \Delta} \right] \times \\
&\quad \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot Tr[t^b t^a] \\
M &= -\frac{m}{v} \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int dx dz \left[ \frac{g^{\mu\nu}(-\frac{1}{2}m_h^2 + 2xzm_h^2) + (1-4xz)p^\nu k^\mu}{4\pi^2(-m_q^2 + xzm_h^2)} \right] \times \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot Tr[t^b t^a] \\
M &= -\frac{m}{v} \cdot g_s^2 \cdot m_q \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int dx dz \left[ \frac{(1-4xz)[\frac{1}{2}m_h^2 \cdot g^{\mu\nu} - p^\nu k^\mu]}{4\pi^2 m_q^2 (1 - xz \frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2})} \right] \times \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot Tr[t^b t^a] \\
M &= -\frac{m_q^2}{v} \cdot g_s^2 \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{2}m_h^2 \cdot g^{\mu\nu} - p^\nu k^\mu}{4\pi^2 m_q^2} \cdot \underbrace{\int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int dx dz \left[ \frac{1-4xz}{1-xz \frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}} \right]}_{\text{underbrace}} \times \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot Tr[t^b t^a] \\
M &= -\frac{g_s^2}{v} \cdot Tr[t^b t^a] \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{2}m_h^2 \cdot g^{\mu\nu} - p^\nu k^\mu}{4\pi^2} \cdot I(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}) \times \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p)
\end{aligned}$$

From the GWS theory of weak interactions we have that  $v = \frac{2m_W}{g}$  with  $g = \frac{e}{\sin \theta_W}$ . So  $v = \frac{2m_W \cdot \sin \theta_W}{e}$ . Also the trace  $Tr[t^b t^a]$ :

$$Tr[t^b t^a] = \frac{1}{2} \delta^{\alpha b}$$

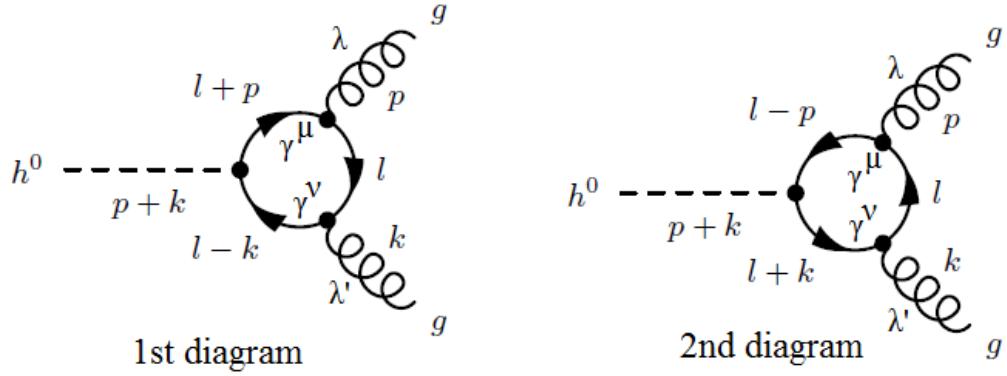
Plugging  $v$ ,  $g$  and  $Tr[t^b t^a]$ :

$$M = -\frac{e \cdot g_s^2}{2m_W \sin \theta_W} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \delta^{\alpha b} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{2}m_h^2 \cdot g^{\mu\nu} - p^\nu k^\mu}{4\pi^2} \cdot I(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}) \times \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p)$$

This is our first achievement , the calculation of the transition amplitude for the first diagram:

$$M_q^{\lambda\lambda'ab} = -\frac{e \cdot g_s^2}{8\pi^2 m_W \sin \theta_W} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ab} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 \cdot g^{\mu\nu} - p^\nu k^\mu \right) \cdot I\left(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}\right) \times \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'*}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p)$$

We need now to calculate the transition amplitude for the second diagram. Lets compare and observe the two diagrams:



We see that if we change in the first diagram  $p \rightarrow k$  ,  $\mu \rightarrow \nu$  and  $\lambda \rightarrow \lambda'$  we get the second diagram. But these three transformations leave invariant the final (boxed) expression of  $M_q^{\lambda\lambda'ab}$  . So we conclude that the two diagrams contribute equally to the total amplitude M which is  $\times 2$  the boxed expression. Thus finally

$$M_q^{\lambda\lambda'ab} = -\frac{e \cdot g_s^2}{4\pi^2 m_W \sin \theta_W} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ab} \cdot I\left(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}\right) \cdot \overbrace{\left( \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 \cdot g^{\mu\nu} - p^\nu k^\mu \right) \times \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'*}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p)}$$

Now to find the decay rate we need to sum this expression over all possible gluon polarizations  $\lambda$  and  $\lambda'$  , over all colors  $a$  and  $b$  and over all possible intermediate loop quarks and then square it. To simplify things lets deal first with the tensorial structure under the overbrace (lets call it  $T^{\lambda\lambda'}$ ).

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\lambda, \lambda'} \left| T^{\lambda \lambda'} \right|^2 &= \sum_{\lambda, \lambda'} \left| \left( \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 \cdot g^{\mu\nu} - p^\nu k^\mu \right) \times \epsilon_\nu^{\lambda'*}(k) \cdot \epsilon_\mu^{\lambda*}(p) \right|^2 = \\
&\quad \left( \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 \cdot g^{\mu_1 \nu_1} - p^{\nu_1} k^{\mu_1} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 \cdot g^{\mu_2 \nu_2} - p^{\nu_2} k^{\mu_2} \right) \\
&\quad \times \sum_{\lambda, \lambda'} \epsilon_{\nu_1}^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_{\mu_1}^{\lambda}(p) \cdot \epsilon_{\nu_2}^{\lambda'*}(k) \cdot \epsilon_{\mu_2}^{\lambda*}(p) = \\
&= \left[ \frac{m_h^4}{4} \cdot g^{\mu_1 \nu_1} g^{\mu_2 \nu_2} - \frac{m_h^2}{2} \cdot g^{\mu_1 \nu_1} p^{\nu_2} k^{\mu_2} - \frac{m_h^2}{2} \cdot p^{\nu_1} k^{\mu_1} g^{\mu_2 \nu_2} + p^{\nu_1} k^{\mu_1} p^{\nu_2} k^{\mu_2} \right] \\
&\quad \times \sum_{\lambda, \lambda'} \epsilon_{\nu_1}^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_{\mu_1}^{\lambda}(p) \cdot \epsilon_{\nu_2}^{\lambda'*}(k) \cdot \epsilon_{\mu_2}^{\lambda*}(p) = \\
&= \frac{m_h^4}{4} \cdot g^{\mu_1 \nu_1} g^{\mu_2 \nu_2} \times \sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\mu_1}^{\lambda}(p) \cdot \epsilon_{\mu_2}^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot \sum_{\lambda'} \epsilon_{\nu_1}^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_{\nu_2}^{\lambda'*}(k) \\
&\quad - \frac{m_h^2}{2} \cdot g^{\mu_1 \nu_1} p^{\nu_2} k^{\mu_2} \times \sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\mu_1}^{\lambda}(p) \cdot \epsilon_{\mu_2}^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot \sum_{\lambda'} \epsilon_{\nu_1}^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_{\nu_2}^{\lambda'*}(k) \\
&\quad - \frac{m_h^2}{2} \cdot p^{\nu_1} k^{\mu_1} g^{\mu_2 \nu_2} \times \sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\mu_1}^{\lambda}(p) \cdot \epsilon_{\mu_2}^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot \sum_{\lambda'} \epsilon_{\nu_1}^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_{\nu_2}^{\lambda'*}(k) \\
&\quad + p^{\nu_1} k^{\mu_1} p^{\nu_2} k^{\mu_2} \times \sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\mu_1}^{\lambda}(p) \cdot \epsilon_{\mu_2}^{\lambda*}(p) \cdot \sum_{\lambda'} \epsilon_{\nu_1}^{\lambda'}(k) \cdot \epsilon_{\nu_2}^{\lambda'*}(k)
\end{aligned}$$

When we have a sum over the polarization vectors of massless gauge bosons, we can use the replacement originated from Ward identity:

$$\sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\mu}^{\lambda}(p) \cdot \epsilon_{\nu}^{\lambda*}(p) = g_{\mu\nu}$$

So the above can be written:

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| T^{\lambda \lambda' \alpha b} \right|^2 &= \frac{m_h^4}{4} \cdot g^{\mu_1 \nu_1} g^{\mu_2 \nu_2} g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} g_{\nu_1 \nu_2} - \frac{m_h^2}{2} \cdot g^{\mu_1 \nu_1} p^{\nu_2} k^{\mu_2} g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} g_{\nu_1 \nu_2} \\
&\quad - \frac{m_h^2}{2} \cdot p^{\nu_1} k^{\mu_1} g^{\mu_2 \nu_2} g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} g_{\nu_1 \nu_2} + p^{\nu_1} k^{\mu_1} p^{\nu_2} k^{\mu_2} g_{\mu_1 \mu_2} g_{\nu_1 \nu_2} \\
&= \frac{m_h^4}{4} \cdot 4 - \frac{m_h^2}{2} p^{\nu_2} k^{\mu_2} g_{\mu_2 \nu_2} - \frac{m_h^2}{2} \cdot p^{\nu_1} k^{\mu_1} g_{\mu_1 \nu_1} + p^2 k^2 \\
&= m_h^4 - m_h^2 p k = m_h^4 - m_h^2 \frac{m_h^2}{2} \\
&= \frac{m_h^4}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

So the total amplitude  $M_q^{\lambda \lambda' \alpha b}$  (underlined expression) can be squared:

$$\begin{aligned}
|M|^2 &= \left| \frac{-e \cdot g_s^2}{4\pi^2 m_W \sin \theta_W} \right|^2 \cdot \sum_{a,b} \left| \frac{1}{2} \delta^{\alpha b} \right|^2 \cdot \sum_q I\left(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}\right) \cdot \sum_{\lambda, \lambda'} \left| T^{\lambda \lambda'} \right|^2 \\
&\quad \frac{e^2 \cdot g_s^4}{16\pi^4 m_W^2 \sin^2 \theta_W} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \sum_{a,b} \left| \delta^{\alpha b} \right|^2 \cdot \sum_q I\left(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}\right) \cdot \frac{m_h^4}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

The are 8 gluon colors so the indices  $a, b \in \{1, 8\}$ . Thus:

$$\sum_{a,b} |\delta^{ab}|^2 = 8$$

So finally

$$|M|^2 = \frac{e^2 \cdot g_s^4 \cdot m_h^4}{16\pi^4 m_W^2 \sin^2 \theta_W} \cdot \sum_q I\left(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}\right)$$

Last thing is to go back to the decay rate formula:

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{2m_h} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_p} \cdot \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_k} |M(m_h \rightarrow p, k)|^2 (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(m_h - p - k)$$

In the rest frame of the scalar Higgs the energies of the two (massless) gluons are the same  $E_p = E_k = |\vec{p}| = |\vec{k}|$ . Also the delta function can be analyzed as:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^{(4)}(m_h - p - k) &= \delta(m_h - E_p - E_k) \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p}_h - \vec{p} + \vec{k}) \\ &= \delta(m_h - 2|\vec{p}|) \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p} + \vec{k}) \\ &= \delta[-2(|\vec{p}| - \frac{m_h}{2})] \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p} + \vec{k}) \end{aligned}$$

Using the identity of the delta function  $\delta[a(x - x_0)] = \frac{1}{|a|} \delta(x - x_0)$ . We have

$$\delta^{(4)}(m_h - p - k) = \frac{1}{2} \delta(|\vec{p}| - \frac{m_h}{2}) \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p} + \vec{k})$$

Then  $\Gamma$  becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma &= \frac{1}{2m_h} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{4|\vec{p}|^2} |M(m_h \rightarrow p, k)|^2 (2\pi)^4 \frac{1}{2} \delta(|\vec{p}| - \frac{m_h}{2}) \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p} + \vec{k}) \\ &= \frac{1}{64m_h \pi^2} |M|^2 \int d^3 p \frac{1}{|\vec{p}|^2} \delta(|\vec{p}| - \frac{m_h}{2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{64m_h \pi^2} |M|^2 \int d\Omega \int_0^\infty |\vec{p}|^2 d|\vec{p}| \frac{\delta(|\vec{p}| - \frac{m_h}{2})}{|\vec{p}|^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{64m_h \pi^2} |M|^2 4\pi \cdot 1 \end{aligned}$$

The final result for the decay rate is:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma &= \frac{|M|^2}{16m_h\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{16m_h\pi} \frac{e^2 \cdot g_s^4 \cdot m_h^4}{16\pi^4 m_W^2 \sin^2 \theta_W} \sum_q I\left(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}\right)\end{aligned}$$

If we introduce the fine structure constant  $\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}$  and its analogue in strong interactions  $\alpha_s = \frac{g_s^2}{4\pi}$ :

$$\boxed{\Gamma = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\alpha \cdot \alpha_s^2 \cdot m_h^3}{\pi^2 m_W^2 \sin^2 \theta_W} \sum_q I\left(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}\right)}$$

Also the form factor implies that the heavier quarks contribute significantly to the decay rate. So we expect only the top quark to play an important role.

$$I\left(\frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}\right) = \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{z=0}^{1-x} dx dz \left[ \frac{1 - 4xz}{1 - xz \frac{m_h^2}{m_q^2}} \right]$$