

# Complete One-loop Matching of the Type-I Seesaw Model onto the Standard Model Effective Field Theory

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## I. Seesaw Effective Field Theory

**Seesaw mechanisms** are the simplest and the most natural ways to explain **tiny neutrino masses**, and may also elegantly account for the **matter-antimatter asymmetry of the Universe**.

### ➤ What are the seesaw effective field theories (SEFTs)?

Seesaw mechanisms extend the SM with some heavy degrees of freedom, e.g., the right-handed neutrinos in the type-I seesaw mechanism, which can be integrated out from the models. Then, the obtained effective field theories with a series of higher-dimensional ( $d > 4$ ) operators denote the SEFTs.

### ➤ Why are the SEFTs at the one-loop level necessary?

1. To **simply eliminate large logs** appearing in the loop calculations with several mass scales via the matching and RG-running procedures.
2. To **consistently study the low-energy consequences** of heavy degrees of freedom in the seesaw models up to the one-loop level.

In this poster, we will perform the **complete one-loop matching** of the type-I seesaw model, and achieve all threshold corrections to the SM couplings, operators up to dimension-six and the associated Wilson coefficients (WCs), which constitute the type-I SEFT, i.e., **SEFT-I**.

## II. Matching between UV Theory and EFT

The main idea is to equate the **one-light-particle-irreducible effective action** (i.e.,  $\Gamma_{\text{L,UV}}$ ) in the UV theory with the **one-particle-irreducible effective action** (i.e.,  $\Gamma_{\text{EFT}}$ ) in the low-energy EFT at the matching scale  $\mu$ , namely,

$$\Gamma_{\text{L,UV}}[\phi_{\text{B}}] = \Gamma_{\text{EFT}}[\phi_{\text{B}}]$$

Thus, the UV theory and EFT will have the **same infrared behaviors**.

### 1. Matching at the tree level

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EFT}}^{\text{tree}}[\phi_{\text{B}}] = \mathcal{L}_{\text{UV}}[\widehat{\Phi}_{\text{c}}[\phi_{\text{B}}], \phi_{\text{B}}]$$

where  $\widehat{\Phi}_{\text{c}}[\phi_{\text{B}}]$  are the localized solution of the classical equations of motion (EOMs) of heavy fields  $\Phi_{\text{B}}$ , i.e.,

$$\left. \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}_{\text{UV}}[\Phi, \phi]}{\delta \Phi} \right|_{\Phi=\widehat{\Phi}_{\text{c}}[\phi], \phi=\phi_{\text{B}}} = 0.$$

### 2. Matching at the one-loop level

$$\int d^d x \mathcal{L}_{\text{EFT}}^{1\text{-loop}}[\phi] = \left. \frac{i}{2} \text{STr} \ln(-K) \right|_{\text{hard}} - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{STr}[(K^{-1}X)^n] \Big|_{\text{hard}}$$

in which  $K$  and  $X$  are the inverse-propagator matrix and the interaction matrix, respectively, and can be extracted via the following formula:

$$\delta^2 \mathcal{L}_{\text{UV}}|_{\Phi=\widehat{\Phi}_{\text{c}}[\phi]} = 2 \mathcal{L}_{\text{UV}}[\varphi + \delta\varphi]|_{\Phi=\widehat{\Phi}_{\text{c}}[\phi]} \supset \delta\overline{\varphi}_i (K_i \delta_{ij} - X_{ij}) \delta\varphi_j$$

## III. Results in the Warsaw Basis: Threshold Corrections

The Lagrangian for the type-I seesaw mechanism:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{UV}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \overline{N}_{\text{R}} i \not{\partial} N_{\text{R}} - \left( \frac{1}{2} \overline{N}_{\text{R}}^c M N_{\text{R}} + \overline{\ell}_{\text{L}} Y_{\nu} \tilde{H} N_{\text{R}} + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

The effective couplings with **threshold corrections** from the one-loop matching:

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\text{eff}}^2 &= m^2 - \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ii} \left[ \frac{m^2}{2} (1 + 2L_i) + \frac{m^4}{3M_i^2} - 2M_i^2 (1 + L_i) \right], \\ \lambda_{\text{eff}} &= \lambda + \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left\{ (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ii} \left[ -\lambda (1 + 2L_i) - \frac{4\lambda m^2}{3M_i^2} + \frac{g_2^2 m^2}{18M_i^2} (5 + 6L_i) \right] - \frac{m^2}{2M_i^2} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_l Y_l^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ii} (1 + 2L_i) \right. \\ &\quad + (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ik} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ik} \frac{m^2 M_i^2 (1 + 2L_k) - m^2 M_k^2 (1 + 2L_i) - 2M_i^2 M_k^2 L_{ik}}{2M_i M_k (M_i^2 - M_k^2)} \\ &\quad \left. + (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ik} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ki} \frac{m^2 L_{ik} + M_i^2 (1 + L_i) - M_k^2 (1 + L_k)}{M_i^2 - M_k^2} \right\}, \\ (Y_l^{\text{eff}})_{\alpha\beta} &= (Y_l)_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left\{ (Y_l)_{\alpha\beta} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ii} \left[ \frac{1}{4} (1 + 2L_i) + \frac{m^2}{3M_i^2} \right] - \frac{1}{8} (Y_{\nu})_{\alpha i} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_l)_{i\beta} \left[ 5 + \frac{6m^2}{M_i^2} + 2 \left( 3 + \frac{2m^2}{M_i^2} \right) L_i \right] \right\}, \\ (Y_{\text{u}}^{\text{eff}})_{\alpha\beta} &= (Y_{\text{u}})_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} (Y_{\text{u}})_{\alpha\beta} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ii} \left[ \frac{1}{4} (1 + 2L_i) + \frac{m^2}{3M_i^2} \right], \\ (Y_{\text{d}}^{\text{eff}})_{\alpha\beta} &= (Y_{\text{d}})_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} (Y_{\text{d}})_{\alpha\beta} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ii} \left[ \frac{1}{4} (1 + 2L_i) + \frac{m^2}{3M_i^2} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad L_i \equiv \ln \left( \frac{\mu^2}{M_i^2} \right) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - \gamma_{\text{E}} + \ln(4\pi), \quad L_{ij} \equiv \ln \left( \frac{M_i^2}{M_j^2} \right)$$

## IV. Results in the Warsaw Basis: Dim-5 and Dim-6 Operators

$X^2 H^2$		$\psi^2 D H^2$		Four-quark	
$\mathcal{O}_{HB}$	$B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} H^{\dagger} H$	$\mathcal{O}_{HQ}^{(1)\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{Q}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} Q_{\beta\text{L}}) (H^{\dagger} i \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu} H)$	$\mathcal{O}_{QU}^{(1)\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{Q}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} Q_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{U}_{\gamma\text{R}} \gamma_{\mu} U_{\lambda\text{R}})$
$\mathcal{O}_{HW}$	$W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu} H^{\dagger} H$	$\mathcal{O}_{HQ}^{(3)\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{Q}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} \tau^I Q_{\beta\text{L}}) (H^{\dagger} i \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu}^I H)$	$\mathcal{O}_{QU}^{(8)\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{Q}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} T^A Q_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{U}_{\gamma\text{R}} \gamma_{\mu} T^A U_{\lambda\text{R}})$
$\mathcal{O}_{HWB}$	$W_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu} (H^{\dagger} \tau^I H)$	$\mathcal{O}_{HU}^{\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{U}_{\alpha\text{R}} \gamma^{\mu} U_{\beta\text{R}}) (H^{\dagger} i \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu} H)$	$\mathcal{O}_{Qd}^{(1)\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{Q}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} Q_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{D}_{\gamma\text{R}} \gamma_{\mu} D_{\lambda\text{R}})$
$H^4 D^2$		$\mathcal{O}_{Hd}^{\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{D}_{\alpha\text{R}} \gamma^{\mu} D_{\beta\text{R}}) (H^{\dagger} i \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu} H)$	$\mathcal{O}_{Qd}^{(8)\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{Q}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} T^A Q_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{D}_{\gamma\text{R}} \gamma_{\mu} T^A D_{\lambda\text{R}})$
$\mathcal{O}_{H\Box}$	$(H^{\dagger} H) \Box (H^{\dagger} H)$	$\mathcal{O}_{H\ell}^{(1)\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} \ell_{\beta\text{L}}) (H^{\dagger} i \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu} H)$	$\mathcal{O}_{QUQd}^{(1)\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{Q}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} T^A Q_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{D}_{\gamma\text{R}} \gamma_{\mu} T^A D_{\lambda\text{R}})$
$\mathcal{O}_{HD}$	$(H^{\dagger} D_{\mu} H)^{\dagger} (H^{\dagger} D^{\mu} H)$	$\mathcal{O}_{H\ell}^{(3)\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} \tau^I \ell_{\beta\text{L}}) (H^{\dagger} i \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu}^I H)$	Four-lepton	
$H^6$		$\mathcal{O}_{He}^{\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{E}_{\alpha\text{R}} \gamma^{\mu} E_{\beta\text{R}}) (H^{\dagger} i \overleftrightarrow{D}_{\mu} H)$	$\mathcal{O}_{\ell\ell}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} \ell_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{\ell}_{\gamma\text{L}} \gamma_{\mu} \ell_{\delta\text{L}})$
$\mathcal{O}_H$	$(H^{\dagger} H)^3$	$\psi^2 H^3$		$\mathcal{O}_{\ell e}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} \ell_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{E}_{\gamma\text{R}} \gamma_{\mu} E_{\lambda\text{R}})$
$\psi^2 X H$		$\mathcal{O}_{UH}^{\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{Q}_{\alpha\text{L}} \tilde{H} U_{\beta\text{R}}) (H^{\dagger} H)$	Semi-leptonic	
$\mathcal{O}_{eB}^{\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \sigma^{\mu\nu} E_{\beta\text{R}}) H B_{\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{O}_{dH}^{\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{Q}_{\alpha\text{L}} H D_{\beta\text{R}}) (H^{\dagger} H)$		
$\mathcal{O}_{eW}^{\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \sigma^{\mu\nu} E_{\beta\text{R}}) \tau^I H W_{\mu\nu}^I$	$\mathcal{O}_{eH}^{\alpha\beta}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} H E_{\beta\text{R}}) (H^{\dagger} H)$		
$\mathcal{O}_{lQ}^{(1)\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} \ell_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{Q}_{\gamma\text{L}} \gamma_{\mu} Q_{\lambda\text{L}})$	$\mathcal{O}_{lU}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} \ell_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{U}_{\gamma\text{R}} \gamma_{\mu} U_{\lambda\text{R}})$	$\mathcal{O}_{lelQ}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} E_{\beta\text{R}}) (\overline{D}_{\gamma\text{R}} Q_{\lambda\text{L}})$
$\mathcal{O}_{lQ}^{(3)\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} \tau^I \ell_{\beta\text{L}}) (\overline{Q}_{\gamma\text{L}} \gamma_{\mu} \tau^I Q_{\lambda\text{L}})$	$\mathcal{O}_{ld}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}} \gamma^{\mu} \ell_{\beta\text{L}}) (D_{\gamma\text{R}} \gamma_{\mu} D_{\lambda\text{R}})$	$\mathcal{O}_{lelQ}^{(1)\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda}$	$(\overline{\ell}_{\alpha\text{L}}^a E_{\beta\text{R}}) \epsilon^{ab} (\overline{Q}_{\gamma\text{L}}^b U_{\lambda\text{R}})$

Table 1. All dim-6 operators induced by the type-I seesaw model at the one-loop level in the Warsaw basis.

**The complete Lagrangian of the SEFT-I up to dimension-six and  $\mathcal{O}(M^{-2})$ :**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{SEFT-I}} &= \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}}(m^2 \rightarrow m_{\text{eff}}^2, \lambda \rightarrow \lambda_{\text{eff}}, Y_l \rightarrow Y_l^{\text{eff}}, Y_{\text{u}} \rightarrow Y_{\text{u}}^{\text{eff}}, Y_{\text{d}} \rightarrow Y_{\text{d}}^{\text{eff}}) \\ &\quad + \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( C_{\text{eff}}^{(5)} \right)_{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{O}_{\alpha\beta}^{(5)} + \text{h.c.} \right] + \frac{1}{4} \left( C_{\text{tree}}^{(6)} \right)_{\alpha\beta} \left[ \mathcal{O}_{H\ell}^{(1)\alpha\beta} - \mathcal{O}_{H\ell}^{(3)\alpha\beta} \right] + \sum_i C_i \mathcal{O}_i \end{aligned}$$

1.  $\mathcal{O}_{\alpha\beta}^{(5)}$  are dim-5 Weinberg operator, whose WC is given by

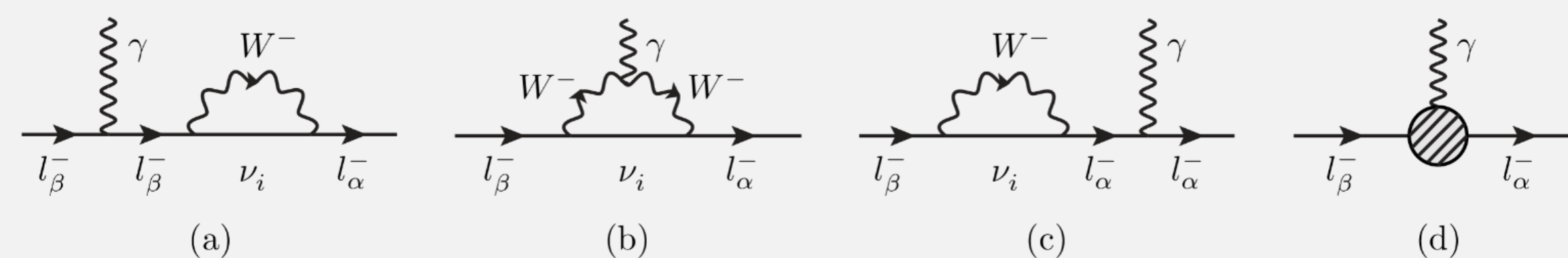
$$\begin{aligned} \left( C_{\text{eff}}^{(5)} \right)_{\alpha\beta} &= \left( C_{\text{tree}}^{(5)} \right)_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left( C_{\text{tree}}^{(5)} \right)_{\alpha\beta} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_{\nu})_{ii} (1 + 2L_i) + \frac{1}{8} (Y_{\nu})_{\alpha i} \left( Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} C_{\text{tree}}^{(5)} \right)_{i\beta} (3 + 2L_i) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{8} \left( C_{\text{tree}}^{(5)} \right)_{\alpha\gamma} (Y_{\nu})_{\beta i} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger})_{i\gamma} (3 + 2L_i) - \left[ 2\lambda (1 + L_i) + \frac{g_1^2 + g_2^2}{4} (1 + 3L_i) \right] (Y_{\nu})_{\alpha i} M_i^{-1} (Y_{\nu}^{\text{T}})_{i\beta} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

with  $C_{\text{tree}}^{(5)} = Y_{\nu} M^{-1} Y_{\nu}^{\text{T}}$ .

2.  $C_{\text{tree}}^{(6)} = Y_{\nu} M^{-2} Y_{\nu}^{\dagger}$  is the tree-level contribution to the WCs of  $\mathcal{O}_{H\ell}^{(1)\alpha\beta}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{H\ell}^{(3)\alpha\beta}$
3.  $\mathcal{O}_i$  and  $C_i$  are the dim-6 operators listed in Table 1 and the corresponding WCs at the one-loop level, such as

$$\begin{aligned} C_{eB}^{\alpha\beta} &= \frac{g_1}{24(4\pi)^2} (Y_{\nu} M^{-2} Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_l)_{\alpha\beta} & C_{lU}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda} &= \frac{1}{8(4\pi)^2} (Y_{\nu})_{\alpha i} M_i^{-2} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger})_{i\beta} \left[ \frac{2g_1^2}{27} \delta^{\gamma\lambda} (11 + 6L_i) - (Y_{\text{u}}^{\dagger} Y_{\text{u}})_{\gamma\lambda} (3 + 2L_i) \right] \\ C_{eW}^{\alpha\beta} &= \frac{5g_2}{24(4\pi)^2} (Y_{\nu} M^{-2} Y_{\nu}^{\dagger} Y_l)_{\alpha\beta} & C_{ld}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\lambda} &= \frac{1}{8(4\pi)^2} (Y_{\nu})_{\alpha i} M_i^{-2} (Y_{\nu}^{\dagger})_{i\beta} \left[ -\frac{g_1^2}{27} \delta^{\gamma\lambda} (11 + 6L_i) + (Y_{\text{d}}^{\dagger} Y_{\text{d}})_{\gamma\lambda} (3 + 2L_i) \right] \end{aligned}$$

## V. Radiative Decays of Charged Leptons in the SEFT-I



1. Diagrams **(a)-(c)** contributed by the **tree-level** part of  $\mathcal{O}_{\alpha\beta}^{(5)}$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_{H\ell}^{(1)\alpha\beta}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{H\ell}^{(3)\alpha\beta}$

$$i\mathcal{M}_{abc} = \frac{-ie g_2^2}{2(4\pi)^2 M_W^2} \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{\alpha i} U_{\beta i}^* \left( -\frac{5}{6} + \frac{m_i^2}{4M_W^2} \right) [\epsilon_{\mu}^* \bar{u}(p_2) i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_{\nu} (m_{\alpha} P_{\text{L}} + m_{\beta} P_{\text{R}}) u(p_1)]$$

2. Diagrams **(d)** coming from the **one-loop** operators  $\mathcal{O}_{eB}^{\alpha\beta}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{eW}^{\alpha\beta}$

$$i\mathcal{M}_d = \frac{ie g_2^2}{6(4\pi)^2 M_W^2} (RR^{\dagger})_{\alpha\beta} [\epsilon_{\mu}^* \bar{u}(p_2) i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_{\nu} (m_{\alpha} P_{\text{L}} + m_{\beta} P_{\text{R}}) u(p_1)]$$

3. The ratio of the decay width of  $l_{\beta}^{-} \rightarrow l_{\alpha}^{-} + \gamma$  to that of  $l_{\beta}^{-} \rightarrow l_{\alpha}^{-} + \overline{\nu}_{\alpha} + \nu_{\beta}$

$$\frac{\Gamma(l_{\beta}^{-} \rightarrow l_{\alpha}^{-} + \gamma)}{\Gamma(l_{\beta}^{-} \rightarrow l_{\alpha}^{-} + \overline{\nu}_{\alpha} + \nu_{\beta})} \simeq \frac{3\alpha_{\text{em}}}{2\pi} \left| -\frac{5}{6} (UU^{\dagger})_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{3} (RR^{\dagger})_{\alpha\beta} \right|^2 = \frac{3\alpha_{\text{em}}}{8\pi} \left| (RR^{\dagger})_{\alpha\beta} \right|^2$$

**Consistent with the results in the full type-I seesaw model**

## VI. Summary

1. The **complete one-loop matching** of the **type-I seesaw model** onto SMEFT has been carried out, and **31 independent dim-6 operators** in the Warsaw basis have been obtained up to the **one-loop level**.
2. The one-loop matching can induce threshold corrections to the SM couplings, and these effective couplings are the very matching conditions for two-loop RGEs.
3. The contributions from the one-loop operators to some one-loop processes must be included for **self-consistent calculations** in the SEFT.

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