



Tools to describe BSM Higgs production

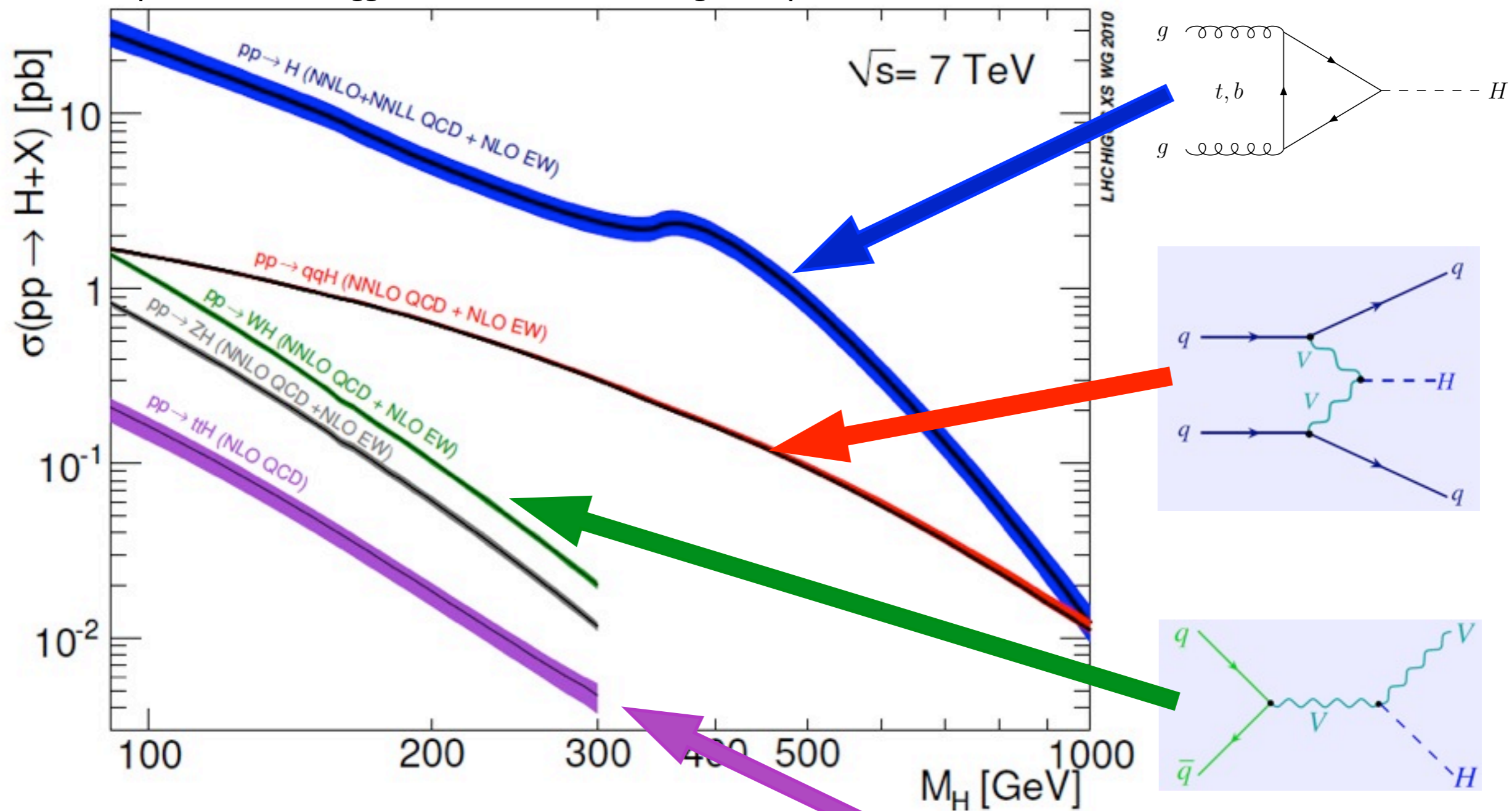
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this talk is not meant to be a systematic and comprehensive review
but it should rather address few question related to BSM simulations

The total production cross section: the SM case

- Yellow Report I of the Higgs Cross Section Working Group, arXiv:1101.0593



- the gluon fusion process dominates
but weak-boson fusion has a very good signal/background ratio
- the uncertainty bands include: PDF+alphas uncertainty, scale uncertainty

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Higgs total production cross section: BSM tools

- gluon fusion + $b\bar{b}$ annihilation
 - ▶ HIGLU MSSM, 2HDM
 - ▶ SusHi MSSM, 2HDM
 - ▶ POWHEG MSSM, 2HDM
 - ▶ aMC@NLO MSSM, 2HDM, EFT
- vector boson fusion
 - ▶ VBFNLO MSSM, anomalous couplings
 - ▶ aMC@NLO EFT
 - ▶ POWHEG ZZjj in EFT
- associate production
 - ▶ aMC@NLO EFT
 - ▶ VBFNLO anomalous couplings

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- In this talk:
 - ▶ evaluation of Higgs masses in the real MSSM
 - ▶ the 2HDM as a playground to study the top/bottom relative strength
 - ▶ accurate evaluation of the MSSM total cross section and of its uncertainties
 - ▶ the Higgs p_T^H distribution in presence of multiple scales
 - ▶ EFT in shower-MC

Evaluation of the Higgs masses in the MSSM

cfr Higgs Days 2014, talk by P.Slavich, <http://indico.ifca.es/indico/contributionDisplay.py?contribId=21&confId=599>

- General features

- ▶ supersymmetry sets a relation between the gauge boson masses and the scalar particle masses such that it is possible to compute the Higgs mass
- ▶ the radiative corrections overcome the tree-level limit $M_h < M_Z$
- ▶ the light Higgs should have $M_h \sim 125$ GeV
restriction in the allowed region in the MSSM parameter space
 - large stop mixing or
 - very heavy stops are necessary to push the lightest Higgs mass to $O(125$ GeV)

- Available codes for Real-MSSM spectra share

- ▶ SPheno
- ▶ SuSpect
- ▶ SoftSusy
- ▶ NMSSMTools
- ▶ FeynHiggs

the 1-loop full set of corrections

the 2-loop corrections (at zero momentum)

$$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t \alpha_s), \mathcal{O}(\alpha_b \alpha_s)$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t^2), \mathcal{O}(\alpha_t \alpha_b + \alpha_b^2)$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_\tau^2), \mathcal{O}(\alpha_\tau \alpha_b) \quad \text{RG codes only}$$

Evaluation of the Higgs masses in the MSSM

Simplified benchmark point: $\tan\beta = 20$, all SUSY masses = 1 TeV, A_t varied to maximize m_h

Code	Mh (GeV)
SPheno 3.3.3	126.2
SuSpect 2.43	125.8
SoftSUSY 3.5.1	124.3
NMSSMTools 4.2.1	124.4
FeynHiggs 2.10.1	129.8

All codes include full 1-loop + dominant (strong+Yukawa) 2-loop corrections to Mh

results obtained as the maximum Mh value upon variation of the stop mixing parameters

- differences between the codes
 - ▶ determination of the top Yukawa coupling
 - ▶ renormalization scheme choice DRbar vs on-shell
- to obtain Mh ~ 125 GeV it is necessary to enter a region of the real MSSM parameter space where large corrections make the perturbative expansion slowly convergent and genuine 3-loop corrections would be needed to stabilize the result

Higgs production

Gluon fusion: total cross section in the SM

LO-QCD

Georgi Glashow Machacek Nanopoulos 1978

NLO-QCD

HQET
exact

Dawson 1991, Djouadi Graudenz Spira Zerwas 1992
Spira Djouadi Graudenz Zerwas 1995
Aglietti Bonciani Degrassi AV 2007
Anastasiou Beerli Bucherer Daleo Kunszt 2007

HIGLU
POWHEG
FeHipro

NNLO-QCD

HQET

Harlander Kilgore 2002
Anastasiou Melnikov 2002
Ravindran Smith van Neerven 2003

iHixs, ggh@nnlo, HNNLO

NNLO-QCD + soft gluon resummation NNLL-QCD

HQET

Catani De Florian Grazzini Nason 2003
Moch Vogt 2005 Ravindran 2006 Idilbi Ji Yuan 2006
Ravindran Smith van Neerven 2007

NNLO-QCD + finite top mass effects

Marzani Ball Del Duca Forte AV 2008
Harlander Ozeren 2009 Pak Rogal Steinhauser 2009
Harlander Mantler Marzani Ozeren 2009

NLO-EW

Djouadi Gambino 1994
Aglietti Bonciani Degrassi AV 2004
Degrassi Maltoni 2004
Actis Passarino Sturm Uccirati 2008

mixed NLO EWxQCD

Anastasiou Boughezal Petriello 2009

iHixs

NNNLO-QCD soft approximation

HQET

Anastasiou Duhr Dulat Furlan Gehrman Herzog Mistlberger 2014
Bonvini Ball Forte Marzani Ridolfi 2014

ggHiggs

The 2HDM in a nutshell

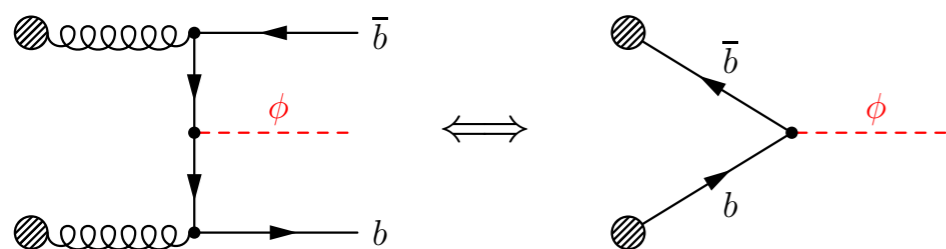
- 2 complex scalar doublets Φ_1 and Φ_2 with VEVs v_1 and v_2
 - 3 d.o.f. are the longitudinal polarization of W s and Z
 - 5 d.o.f. are in the physical spectrum: 2 charged scalars, 2 neutrals CP-even, 1 neutral CP-odd
- input parameters are: α , $\tan\beta = v_2/v_1$, M_h , M_H , M_A , M_{\pm} , M_{12}
- the presence of additional discrete symmetries forbids the appearance of tree-level FCNC leading to different types of models; the couplings of the Higgs scalars to fermions are:

	Type I	Type II	Lepton-specific	Flipped
ξ_h^u	$\cos\alpha/\sin\beta$	$\cos\alpha/\sin\beta$	$\cos\alpha/\sin\beta$	$\cos\alpha/\sin\beta$
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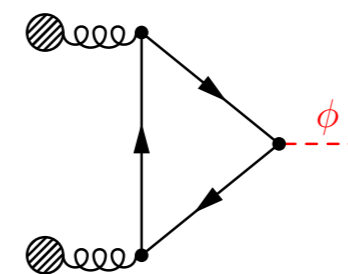
Neutral Higgs production in the 2HDM: $gg+b\bar{b}$

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bottom quark annihilation



gluon fusion



- The gluon fusion is mediated only by quark loops (no additional colored particles)
- LO, NLO-QCD and NNLO-QCD (HQET) corrections are borrowed from the SM, with rescaling of the top and bottom Yukawa couplings
- full NLO-EW corrections are not available in the 2HDM; only the light-fermion subset can be taken from the SM and properly rescaled
- available codes for the production of h, H, A (neutral Higgses)
 - HIGLU NLO-QCD (exact t, b) + NNLO-QCD (HQET) + NLO-EW (light f)
[M.Spira, hep-ph/9510347](#)
 - SusHi NLO-QCD (exact t, b) + NNLO-QCD (HQET) + NLO-EW (light f)
[R.Harlander, S.Liebler, H.Mantler, arXiv:1212.3249](#)
 - POWHEG `gg_H_2HDM` NLO-QCD (exact t, b) + NLO-EW (light f) in gluon fusion
[E.Bagnaschi, G.Degrassi, P.Slavich, AV, arXiv:1111.2854](#)

good agreement (0.1% level) between the three codes (with same accuracy) for the total cross section predictions

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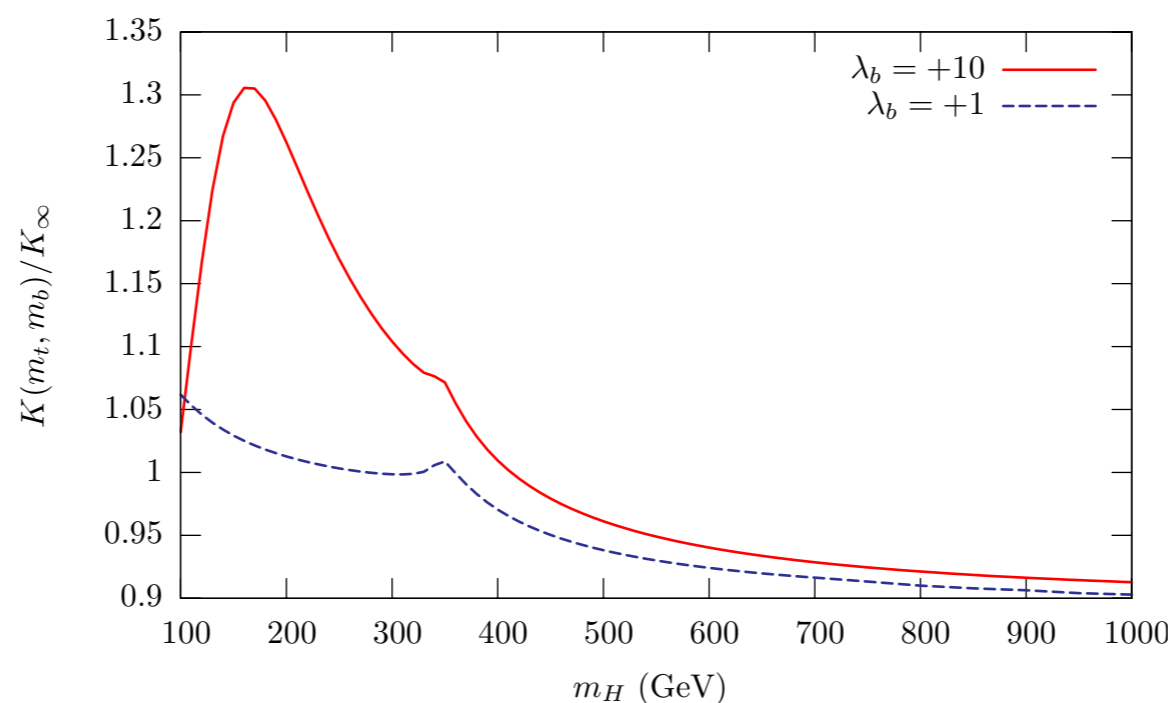
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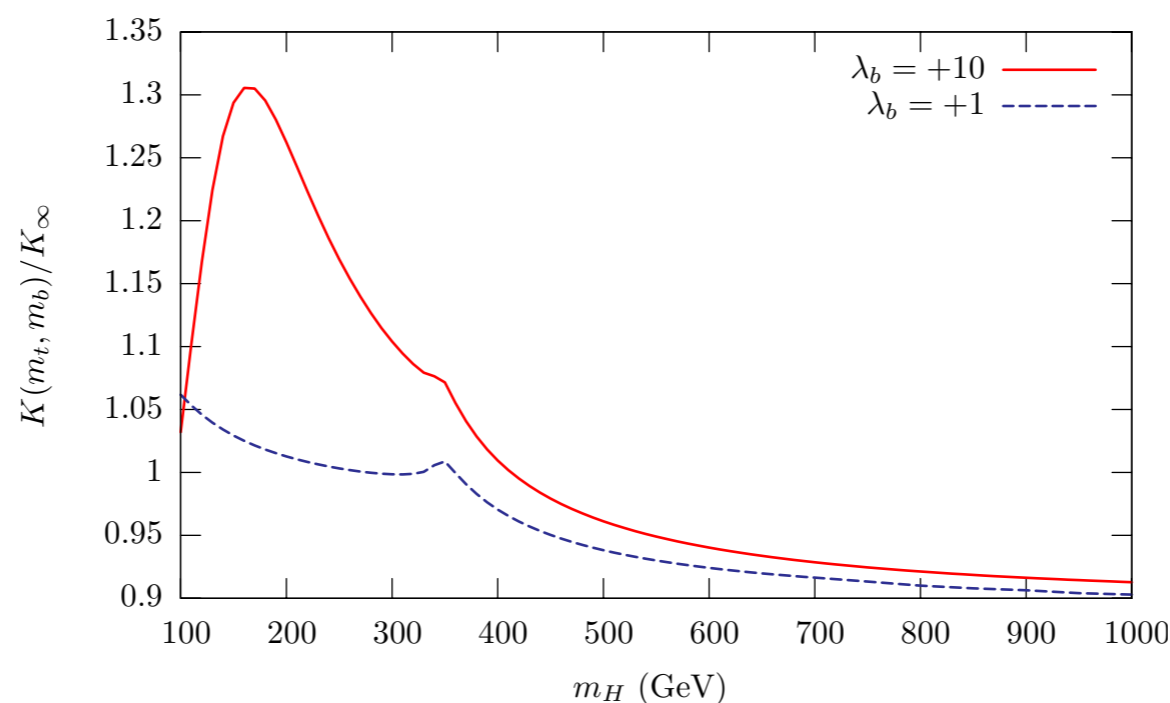
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- effective accuracy of the result: it depends on the relative strength of the top and bottom couplings

- NNLO-QCD when the top quark dominates the amplitude,

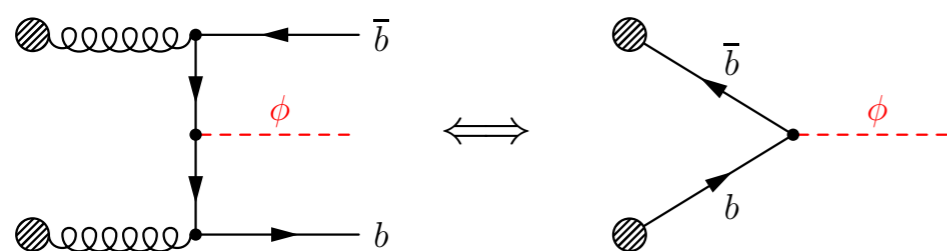
- NLO-QCD when the bottom quark gives the leading contribution

- the residual uncertainty (e.g. estimated via scale variations) depends on the model parameters

(more details along the same lines in the MSSM slides)

Neutral Higgs production in the MSSM, $gg+b\bar{b}$: available corrections

bottom quark annihilation



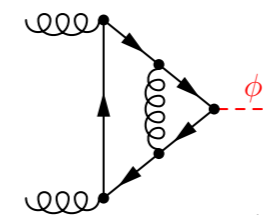
gluon fusion



- the MSSM dominant production channel is (gluon fusion + bottom quark annihilation)
- as in the 2HDM, the Higgs top and bottom Yukawa couplings depend on the model parameters

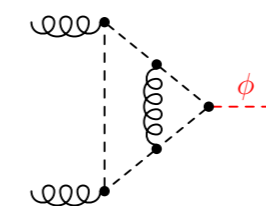
- gluon-quark corrections: NLO analytical results

[Spira Djouadi Graudenz Zerwas 1995](#), [Harlander Kant 2005](#),
[Aglietti Bonciani Degrassi AV 2006](#), [Bonciani Degrassi AV 2007](#)



- gluon-squark corrections: NLO analytical and numerical

[Anastasiou Beerli Bucherer Daleo Kunszt 2006](#),
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- gluino-squark-quark interaction:
semi-analytical results

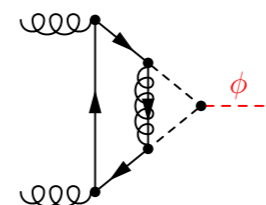
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Taylor expansion in small Higgs mass

[Harlander Steinhauser 2003,2004](#) [Harlander Steinhauser Hoffmann 2005](#) [Degrassi Slavich 2008](#)

expansion in heavy SUSY masses

[Harlander Hoffmann Mantler 2010](#), [Degrassi Slavich 2010](#), [Degrassi Di Vita Slavich 2011](#) 2012



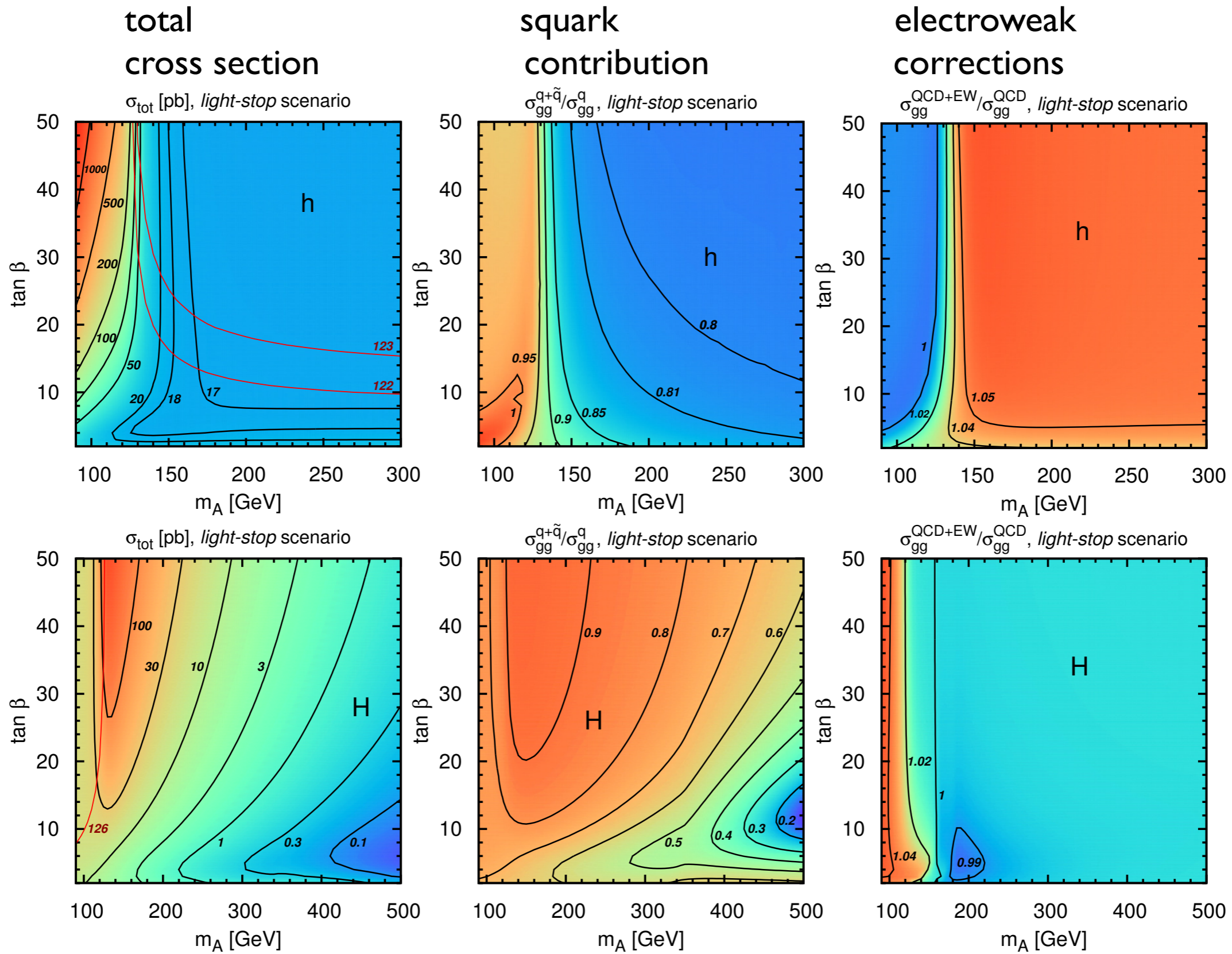
- complete NLO-EW corrections in the MSSM are not available;
the SM light-fermion contribution can be included with the proper rescaling of the couplings

Neutral Higgs production in the MSSM: $gg+b\bar{b}$

- available codes for the production of h, H, A via gluon fusion / $b\bar{b}$ annihilation
 - ▶ **SusHi** [R.Harlander, S.Liebler, H.Mantler, arXiv:1212.3249](#) includes
 - the complete set of NLO-QCD corrections in the MSSM (either analytical or via mass expansions)
 - the NLO-EW light fermion contributions
 - the NNLO-QCD corrections to the quark loops (HQET) and to the stop loop diagrams (mass expansion)
 - ▶ **POWHEG gg_H_MSSM** [E.Bagnaschi, G.Degrassi, P.Slavich, AV, arXiv:1111.2854](#)
 - shows very good agreement (with same accuracy) with SusHi for the total cross section prediction of the gluon fusion process;
 - both codes share the same NLO matrix elements
 - ▶ **aMC@NLO** <https://cp3.irmp.ucl.ac.be/projects/madgraph/wiki/HSushi>
 - includes the porting of the SusHi results in this matching/showering framework

Neutral Higgs production in the MSSM: neutral CP-even scalars

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- not negligible squark contribution (light stop scenario) to the total cross section

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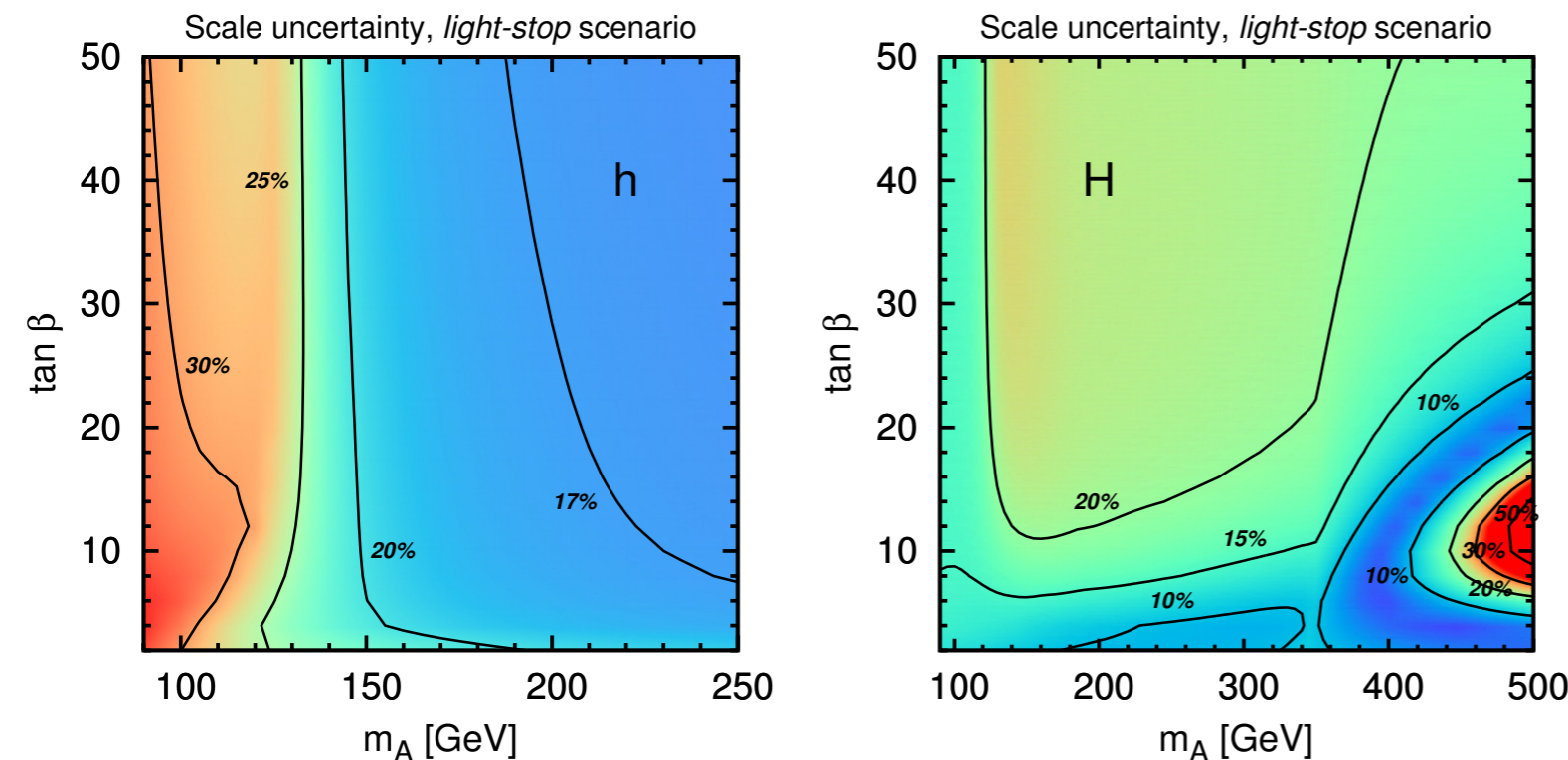
- sources of uncertainty under discussion

- ▶ scale variations
- ▶ PDF + α_s
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$$\mu_R = \{m_\phi/4, m_\phi/2, m_\phi\}$$

$$\mu_F = \{m_\phi/4, m_\phi/2, m_\phi\}$$

C_μ are all the scale combinations
with the constraint $1/2 \leq \bar{\mu}_R/\bar{\mu}_F \leq 2$



$$\sigma^+ \equiv \max_{(\mu_R, \mu_F) \in C_\mu} \{\sigma(\mu_R, \mu_F)\}$$

$$\sigma^- \equiv \min_{(\mu_R, \mu_F) \in C_\mu} \{\sigma(\mu_R, \mu_F)\}$$

$$\Delta_\mu^\pm \equiv \frac{\sigma^\pm - \sigma(\mu_R^0, \mu_F^0)}{\sigma(\mu_R^0, \mu_F^0)}$$

$$\Delta_\mu \equiv \Delta^+ - \Delta^-$$

- light h

- in the decoupling limit, the uncertainty reaches the SM level
- when the bottom dominates, the accuracy is effectively NLO

- heavy H

- additional structures appear at large MA, where top, bottom and stop contributions tend to cancel increasing the sensitivity to higher orders

- the renormalization scale variation yields the largest contribution to the uncertainty

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- PDF + α_s uncertainty read from the SM results, for any given Higgs mass:
the probed range of x and the associated PDF uncertainty is dictated by kinematics (i.e. by M_h)

- inclusion of NNLO stop contributions
 - ▶ good quality of the mass expansion, uncertainty of $\mathcal{O}(5\%)$,
with the exception of the region where accidental cancelations occur at NLO
 - ▶ missing 3-loop corrections in the stop sector are estimated to be at the 1% level

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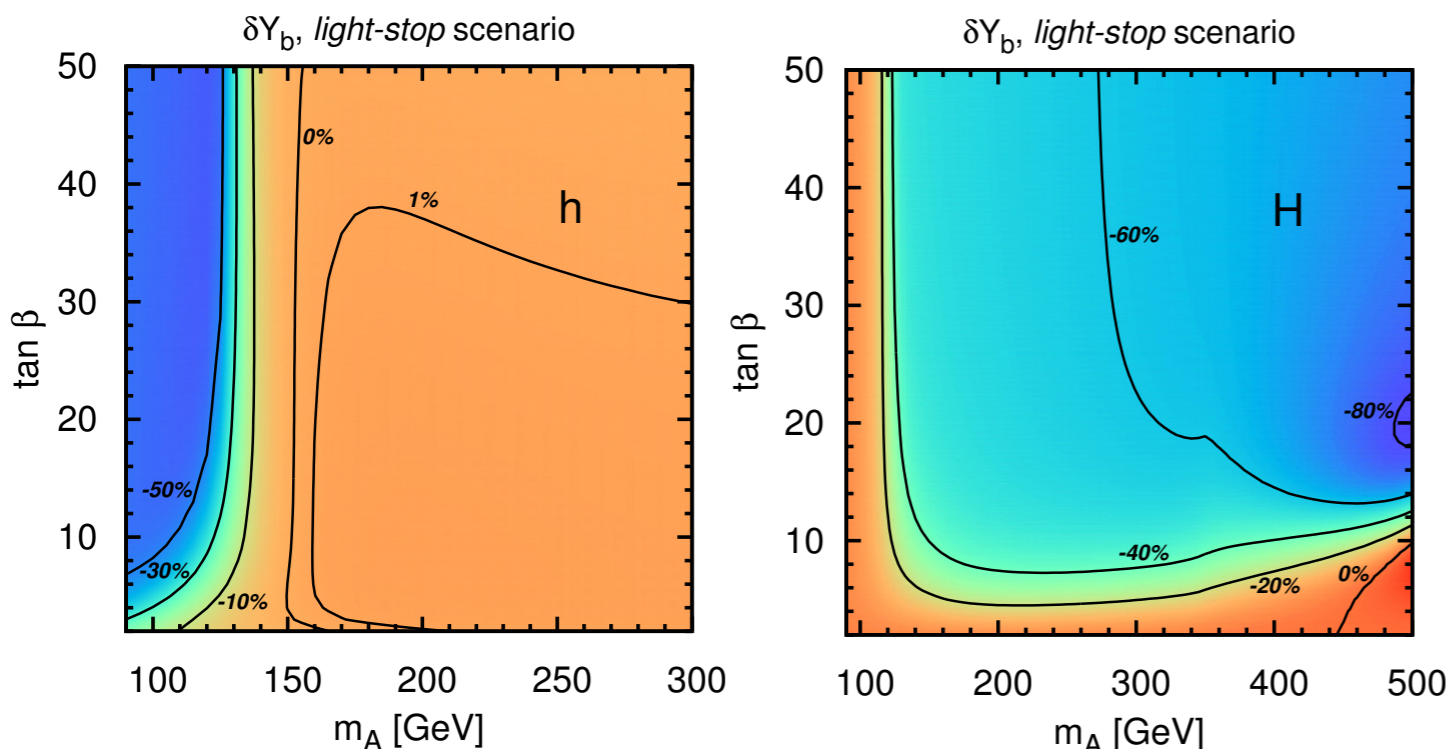
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$$m_b(m_\phi/2) = 2.93 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_b = 4.92 \text{ GeV}$$

- the choice of different values for the mass of the bottom Yukawa yields sizeable differences for the ggH xsec when bottom diagrams dominate



- the largest differences occur where Higgs production is dominated by $b\bar{b}$ annihilation
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$$\tilde{Y}_b^h = \frac{Y_b^h}{1 + \Delta_b} \left(1 - \Delta_b \frac{\cot \alpha}{\tan \beta} \right),$$

$$\tilde{Y}_b^H = \frac{Y_b^H}{1 + \Delta_b} \left(1 + \Delta_b \frac{\tan \alpha}{\tan \beta} \right),$$

$$\tilde{Y}_b^A = \frac{Y_b^A}{1 + \Delta_b} (1 - \Delta_b \cot^2 \beta),$$

- these effective couplings can be computed in the limit of heavy superparticles
- depending on the parameter point the perturbative regime becomes questionable
- the precise evaluation of the factor Δ_b and its matching with the fixed order results can help to stabilize the predictions
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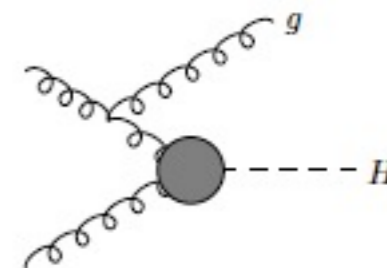
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- sources of uncertainty under discussion
 - ▶ scale variations $\pm (8-30) \%$
 - ▶ PDF + α_s $\pm (7-10) \%$
 - ▶ inclusion of NNLO stop contributions $\pm (5-20) \%$
 - ▶ bottom Yukawa coupling: missing terms in Δ_b $\pm 10 \%$
 - ▶ Y_b renormalization $- (0-80) \%$
- the qualitative features of the total cross section depend crucially
 - ▶ on the top-bottom interplay
 - ▶ on the point chosen in parameter space
- the largest uncertainty comes from the definition of the bottom Yukawa coupling and could be stabilized with the resummation of the large $\log(M_h/m_b)$
 - ▶ this problem occurs in a region where the gluon fusion is subleading compared to $b\bar{b}$ annihilation

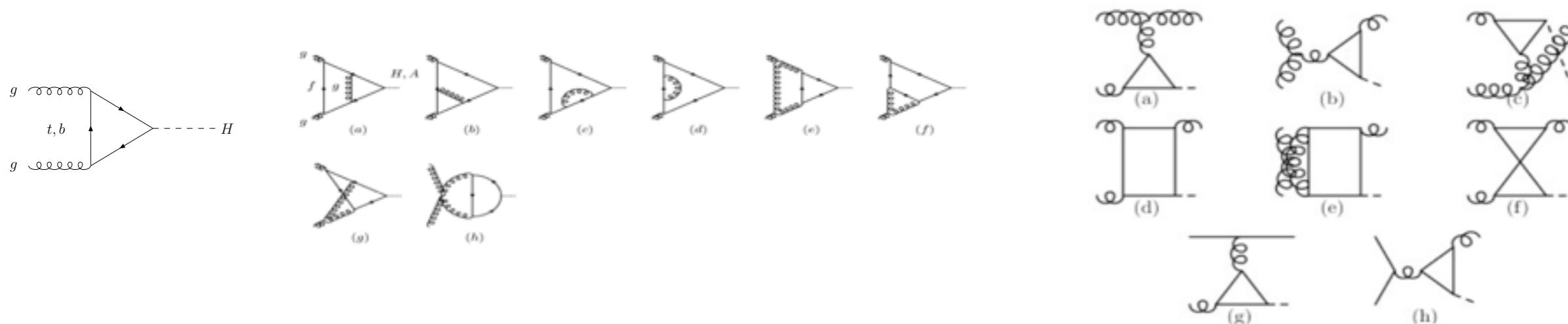
Differential cross sections

Higgs pt_H distribution: a tool to discriminate models

- the Higgs transverse momentum is due to its recoil against QCD radiation



- in the full theory (SM or BSM) gluon emissions occur also from internal lines of the loop



⇒ the shape of the distribution is sensitive to the BSM content running in the ggH loop

[E.Bagnaschi, G.Degrassi, P.Slavich, AV, arXiv:1111.2854](#)

- the interplay between an enhanced bottom and other heavy particles might be non trivial
- the HQEFT is a good approximation of the full theory, for heavy particles in the loop, only for a light Higgs;
in the case of heavy Higgs searches, the mass effects in the full theory are important over the whole pt_H range

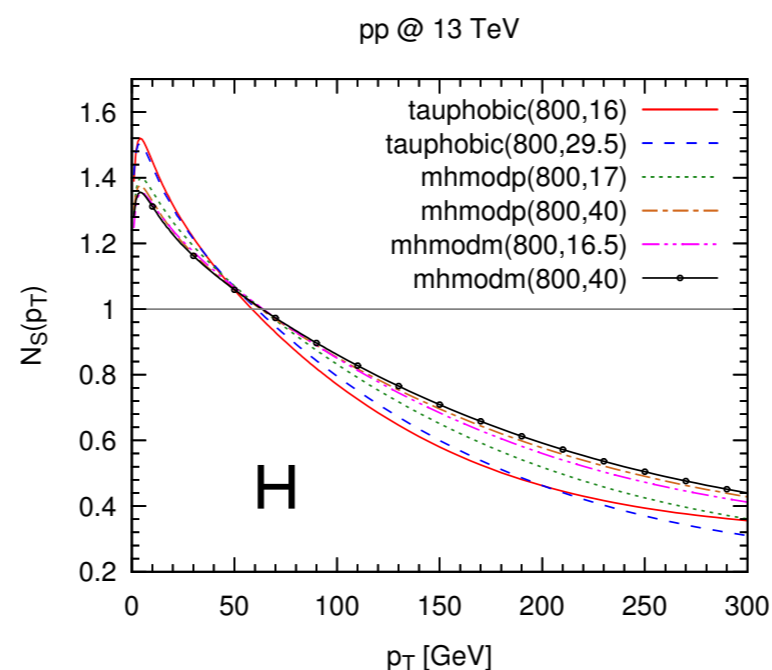
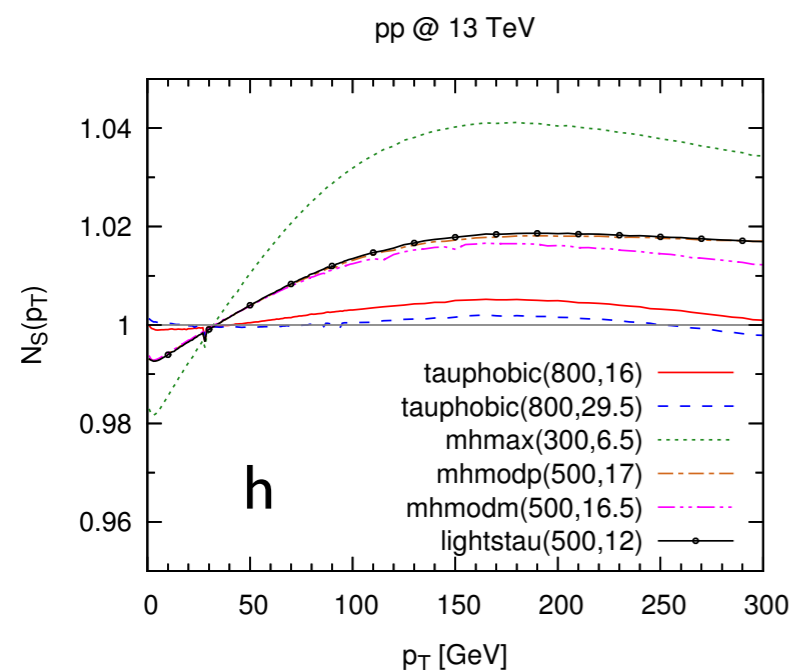
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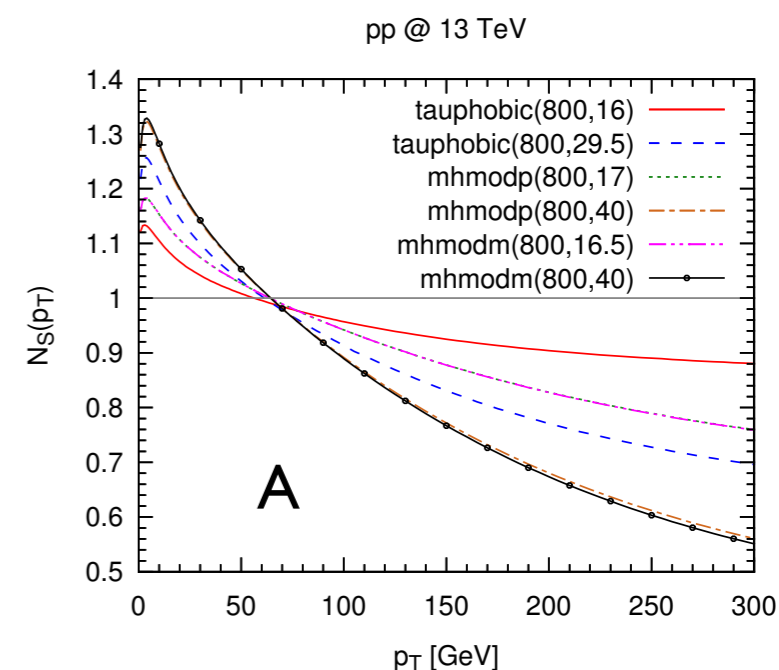
R.Harlander, A.Tripathi, M.Wiesemann, arXiv:1403.7196

R.Harlander, H.Mantler, M.Wiesemann, arXiv:1409.0531

• MSSM study in different still allowed scenarios



(a)



(b)

• the shape of the p_T H distributions is compared to the SM prediction (same Higgs mass)

- for heavy scalars, distortions of $O(30-40\%)$ are possible
impact on the determination of the acceptances
identification of the BSM signal

• the HQET approximation can not be applied to heavy scalar production

The Higgs transverse momentum distribution: general issues

- a sensible description of the Higgs pt_H distribution requires the matching between fixed-order result and all-order resummation of multiple gluon emissions
- the resummation is based on the factorization of the amplitude in the collinear limit
- in the analytical formulation there is a resummation scale Q necessary to factorize the universal terms describing multiple partons emissions from the process dependent part of the σ
- in the Shower MC language there are different parameters that play an analogous role
 - the scale h of the damping factor in POWHEG
 - the scale at which the shower starts in MC@NLO
- the total cross section is independent of all these scale (unitarity constraint)
- the unitarity constraint implies an anti-correlation between low- pt_H and high- pt_H regions

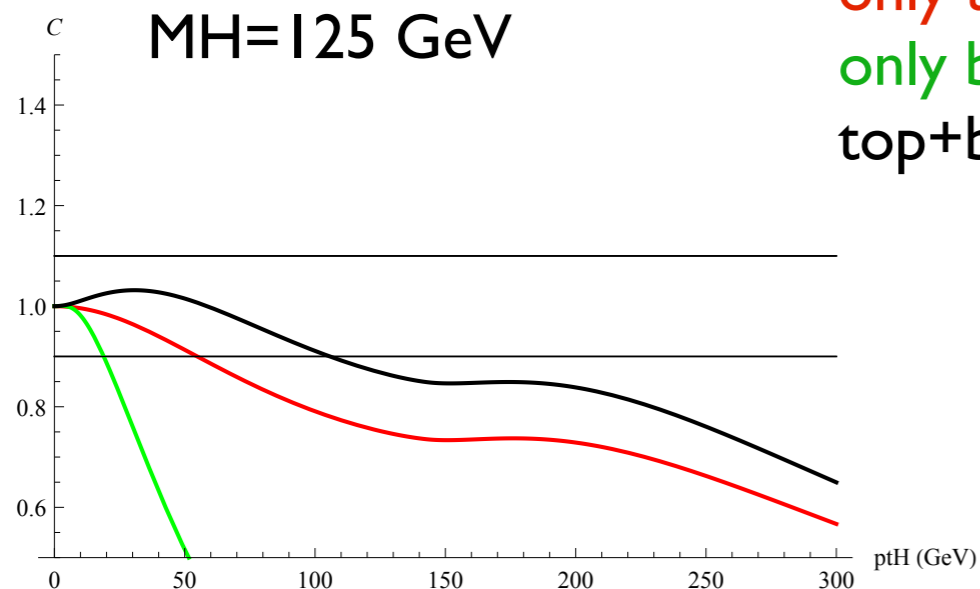
The Higgs transverse momentum distribution in gluon fusion

- in presence of exact quark loops, the description of the Higgs p_T^H distribution is a **multiscale problem**
MH, p_T^H , m_q [M. Grazzini, H.Sargsyan, arXiv:1306.4581](#)
which can be treated by **introducing more than one resummation scale**
- when does the radiation 1) resolve the loop and 2) break the factorization hypothesis ?
which is the appropriate resummation scale for every heavy quark ?
- in the SM the bottom effects are a correction (of $O(5\%)$) to the leading top-quark contribution
- in BSM scenarios **the bottom role might be enhanced**
the description of its contribution requires a discussion
- the **choice of the resummation scale** has been discussed with different approaches for the top, the bottom and the top-bottom interference contributions
 - ▶ at parton level with a study of the collinear behavior of top and of bottom diagrams
[E.Bagnaschi, G.Degrassi, AV](#)
 - ▶ at hadron level, imposing the positivity at large p_T^H and the recovery of fixed order
[R.Harlander, H.Mantler, M.Wieseemann, arXiv:1409.0531](#)with a general quantitative agreement
- the scale choice may have an important impact
 - ▶ on the acceptance estimates
 - ▶ to disentangle a new physics signal from the QCD uncertainty band

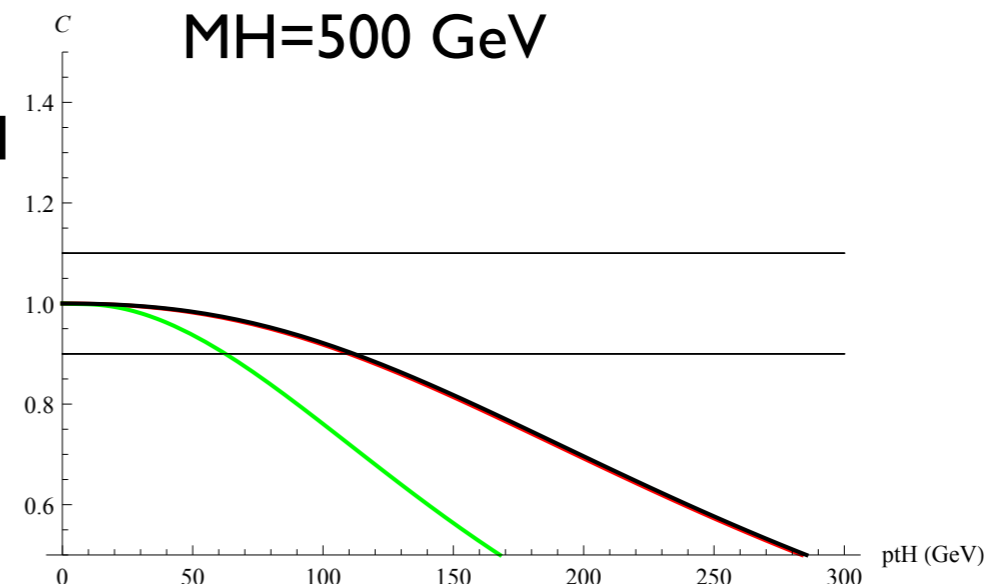
Choice of the resummation scale: analysis of the partonic matrix elements

$$C(p_{\perp}^H) = \frac{|\mathcal{M}_{exact}(p_{\perp}^H)|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{div}(p_{\perp}^H)/p_{\perp}^H|^2}$$

unpolarized squared matrix element



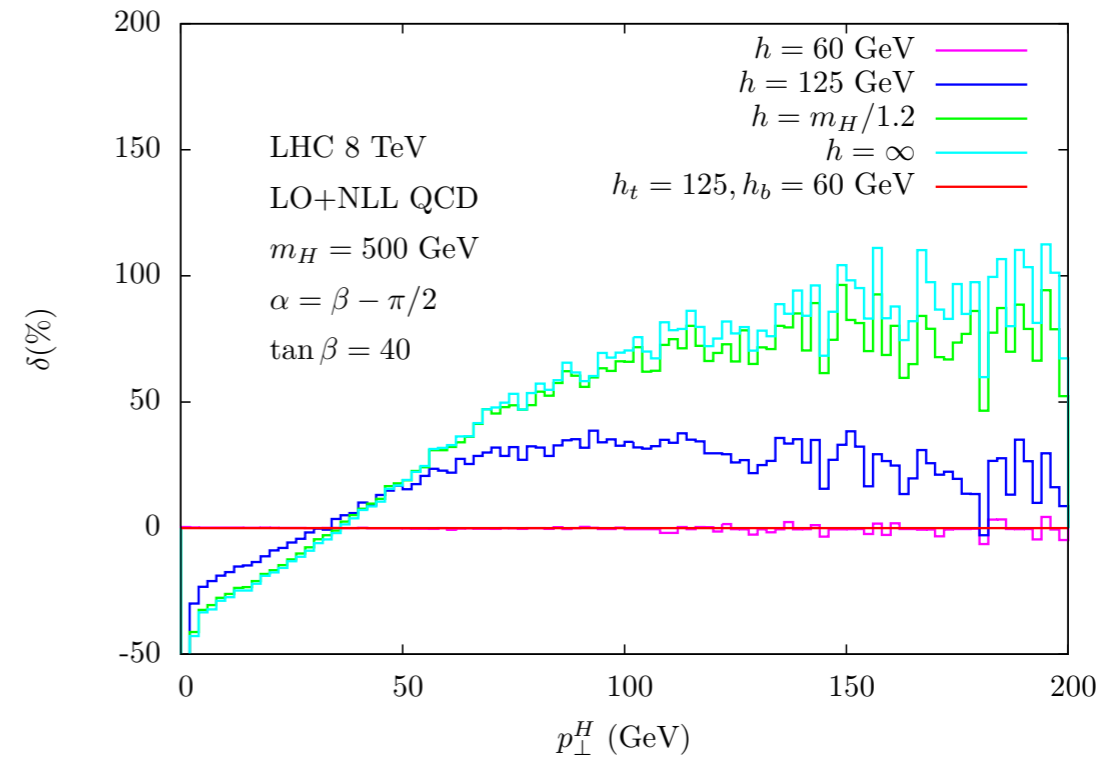
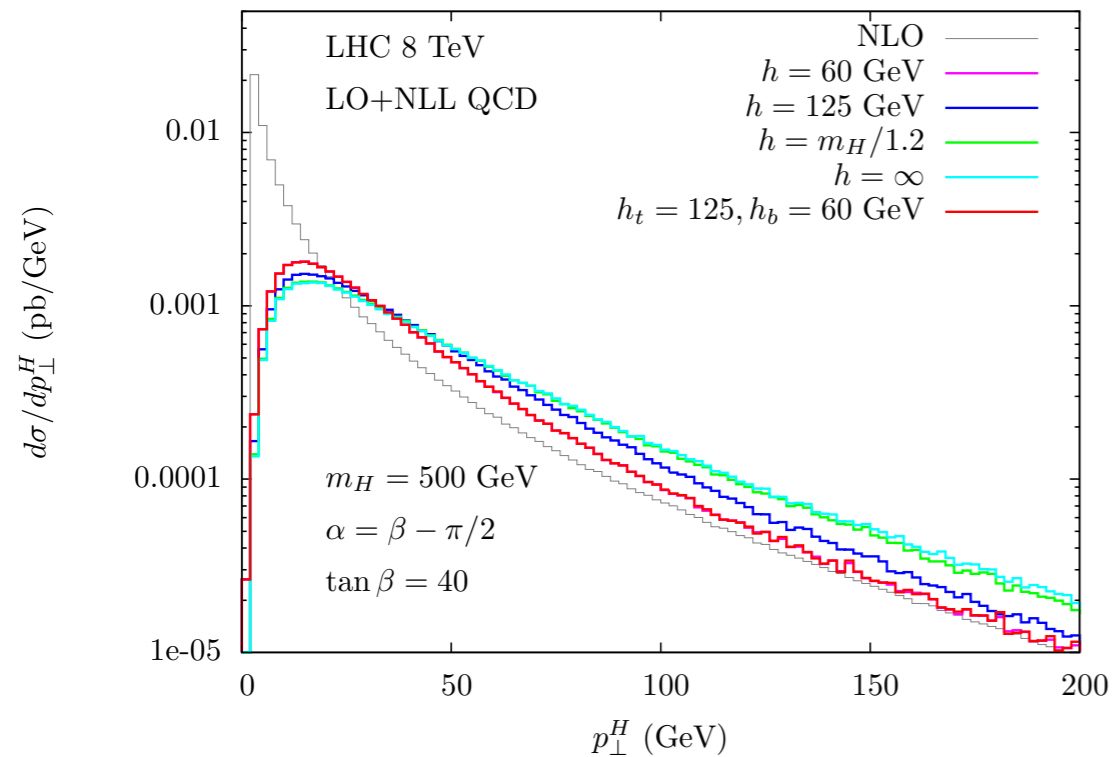
only top
only bottom
top+bottom SM



- the deviation of $0.1 \sim \alpha_s$ represents the typical size of a subleading term in the log expansion
- when $C(ptH)$ deviates from 1 by more than 0.1, we question the validity of factorization
- for MH=125 GeV, $Q(t)=55$ GeV, $Q(b)=20$ GeV, $Q(t+b, SM)=105$ GeV
for MH=500 GeV, $Q(t)=110$ GeV, $Q(b)=65$ GeV, $Q(t+b, SM)=110$ GeV
- the analysis for the **only-top and only-bottom cases is model independent**
in the **top+bottom case the relative strength of the couplings** plays a crucial role

	MH=125	MH=200	MH=250	MH=300	MH=400	MH=500	MH=600	MH=700	MH=900
only top	Q=55	Q=85	Q=130	Q=135	Q=95	Q=110	Q=135	Q=155	Q=210
only bottom	Q=20	Q=30	Q=35	Q=40	Q=50	Q=65	Q=70	Q=85	Q=100

Resummation scale choices in gluon fusion : 2HDM, heavy CP-even production



- in a type II 2HDM, the choice $\alpha = \beta - \pi/2$ is called a decoupling limit because it makes the light CP-even scalar h SM-like, i.e. the couplings to the fermions are like in the SM
- the coupling to the bottom of the heavy CP-even scalar H are enhanced by $\tan\beta$
- partonic analysis \rightarrow $h_t(M_H=500)=125$ GeV, $h_b(M_H=500)=60$ GeV for the two h scales (red) in the large p_{\perp}^H tail the NLO result is recovered
- setting $h_t=h_b=60$ GeV still ok (the bottom dominates)
 $h_t=h_b=125$ GeV deviations (-25 , +30 %) w.r.t. “best” choice
 $h_t=h_b=M_H/2$ the large p_{\perp}^H tail deviates from the “best” by $O(50\%)$
- the resummation scale uncertainty represents an important source of ambiguity

The Higgs effective field theory lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_{i=1}^{N_6} \frac{a_i^{(6)}}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{d=6} + \sum_{k>6} \sum_{i=1}^{N_k} \frac{a_i^{(k)}}{\Lambda^{k-4}} \mathcal{O}_i^{d=k}$$

valid up to a scale Λ

renormalizable order by order in the (\sqrt{s} / Λ) expansion

it makes explicit the actual d.o.f.: e.g. SM + one scalar field

heavier states are integrated out and appear in the Wilson coefficients

it allows the systematic inclusion in the Wilson coefficients of QCD/EW radiative corrections

it can be extended by adding higher-dimension operators

it does not include, by definition, new heavy states \rightarrow good framework for characterization of the light h

- general classification of SU(2)xU(1) gauge invariant dimension 6 operators

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W. Buchmuller and D. Wyler, Nucl. Phys. B 268 (1986) 621;

B. Grzadkowski, M. Iskrzynski, M. Misiak and J. Rosiek, arXiv:1008.4884

- specialization to the Higgs effective lagrangian, also in presence of radiative corrections

G. F. Giudice, C. Grojean, A. Pomarol and R. Rattazzi, hep-ph/0703164

G. Passarino, arXiv:1209.5538

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- FeynRules + Madgraph_aMC@NLO

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The Higgs EFT Lagrangian: the FeynRules + Madgraph_aMC@NLO chain

- **FeynRules:** [A.Alloul, B.Fuks, V.Sanz, arXiv:1310.1921](#), [arXiv:1310.5150](#)
 - in input takes the Lagrangian provided by the user
 - in output provides the Feynman rules of all the interaction vertices in a standard format (UFO)
- **Madgraph_aMC@NLO:** they use the Feynman rules to generate any tree-level process
 - compute the NLO-QCD corrections and all the counterterms
 - match the results with a QCD PS
 - caveat: loop-induced processes (in LO) require a dedicated handling of the counterterm generation
- any additional set of higher-dimension operators can be added to define an extended model
 - e.g. the HiggsCharacterization model includes only operators that modify the Higgs 3-point coupling
 - the development of the Lagrangian with the full set of $d=6$ operators is in progress
- the inclusion of the NLO-QCD corrections is the critical point in the implementation because specific model dependent counterterms can not (yet) be automatically computed and have to be provided by hand by the user
- the “standard” QCD ambiguities set a limit on the sensitivity that EFT can reach

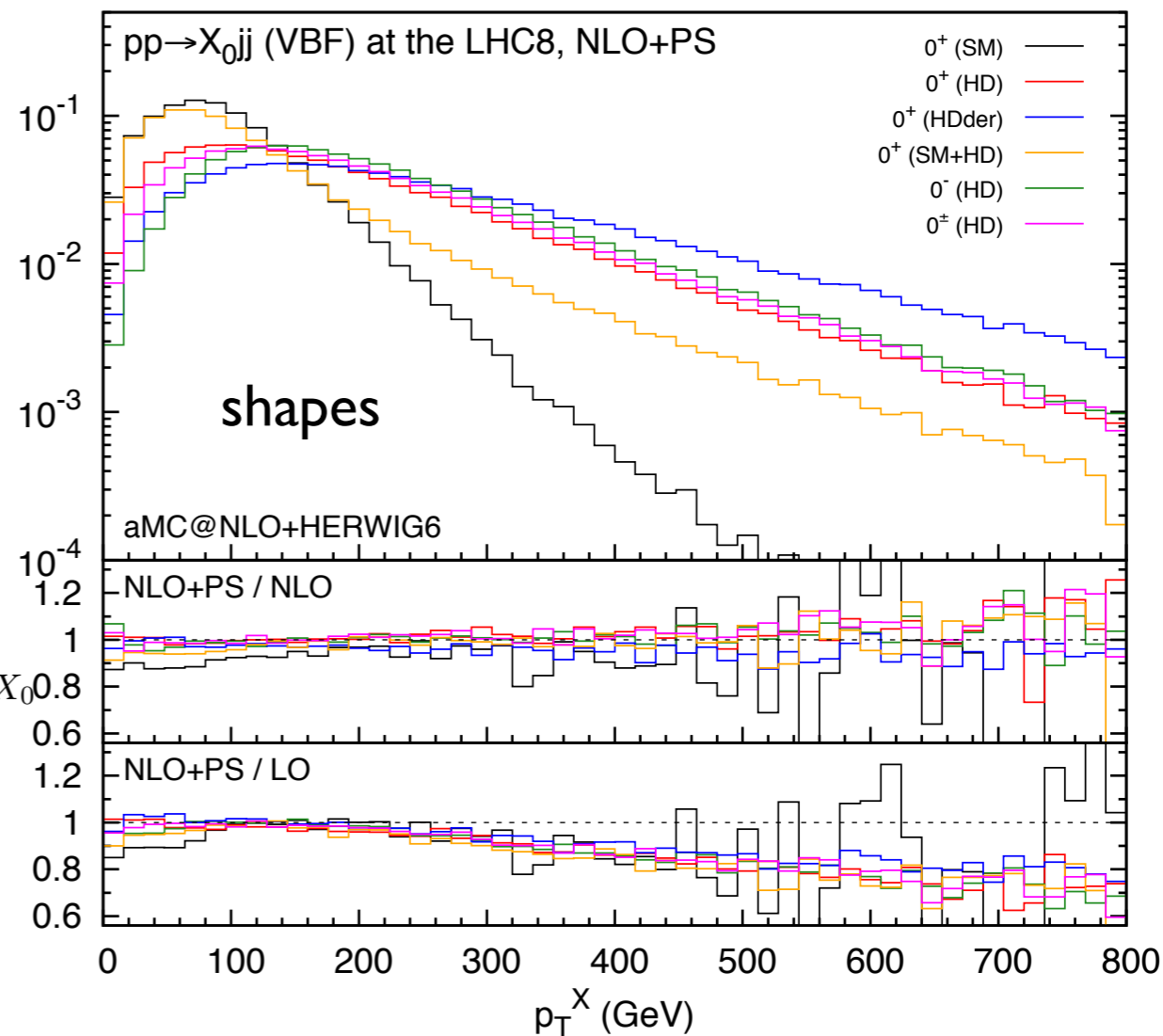
The Higgs EFT lagrangian: VBF in aMC@NLO

F. Maltoni, K. Mawatari, M. Zaro, arXiv:1311.1829

$$\mathcal{L}_0^V = \left\{ \begin{aligned} & c_\alpha \kappa_{SM} \left[\frac{1}{2} g_{HZZ} Z_\mu Z^\mu + g_{HWW} W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{4} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{H\gamma\gamma} g_{H\gamma\gamma} A_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{A\gamma\gamma} g_{A\gamma\gamma} A_{\mu\nu} \tilde{A}^{\mu\nu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{HZ\gamma} g_{HZ\gamma} Z_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AZ\gamma} g_{AZ\gamma} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{A}^{\mu\nu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{4} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{Hgg} g_{Hgg} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{Agg} g_{Agg} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a,\mu\nu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{\Lambda} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{HZZ} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AZZ} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}^{\mu\nu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\Lambda} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{HWW} W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AWW} W_{\mu\nu}^+ \tilde{W}^{-\mu\nu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{\Lambda} c_\alpha \left[\kappa_{H\partial\gamma} Z_\nu \partial_\mu A^{\mu\nu} + \kappa_{H\partial Z} Z_\nu \partial_\mu Z^{\mu\nu} + (\kappa_{H\partial W} W_\nu^+ \partial_\mu W^{-\mu\nu} + h.c.) \right] \end{aligned} \right\} X_0$$

scenario	HC parameter choice
0^+ (SM)	$\kappa_{SM} = 1$ ($c_\alpha = 1$)
0^+ (HD)	$\kappa_{HZZ, HWW} = 1$ ($c_\alpha = 1$)
0^+ (HDder)	$\kappa_{H\partial Z, H\partial W} = 1$ ($c_\alpha = 1$)
0^+ (SM+HD)	$\kappa_{SM, HZZ, HWW} = 1$ ($c_\alpha = 1, \Lambda = v$)
0^- (HD)	$\kappa_{AZZ, AWW} = 1$ ($c_\alpha = 0$)
0^\pm (HD)	$\kappa_{HZZ, AZZ, HWW, AWW} = 1$ ($c_\alpha = 1/\sqrt{2}$)

scenario	σ_{LO} (fb)	σ_{NLO} (fb)	K
0^+ (SM)	1509(1) $+4.7\%$ -4.4%	1633(2) $+2.0\%$ -1.5%	1.08
0^+ (HD)	69.66(6) $+7.5\%$ -6.6%	67.08(13) $+2.2\%$ -2.3%	0.96
0^+ (HDder)	721.9(6) $+11.0\%$ -9.0%	684.9(1.5) $+2.3\%$ -2.8%	0.95
0^+ (SM+HD)	3065(2) $+5.6\%$ -5.1%	3144(5) $+1.6\%$ -1.1%	1.03
0^- (HD)	57.10(4) $+7.7\%$ -6.7%	55.24(11) $+2.1\%$ -2.5%	0.97
0^\pm (HD)	63.46(5) $+7.6\%$ -6.7%	61.07(13) $+2.3\%$ -2.0%	0.96



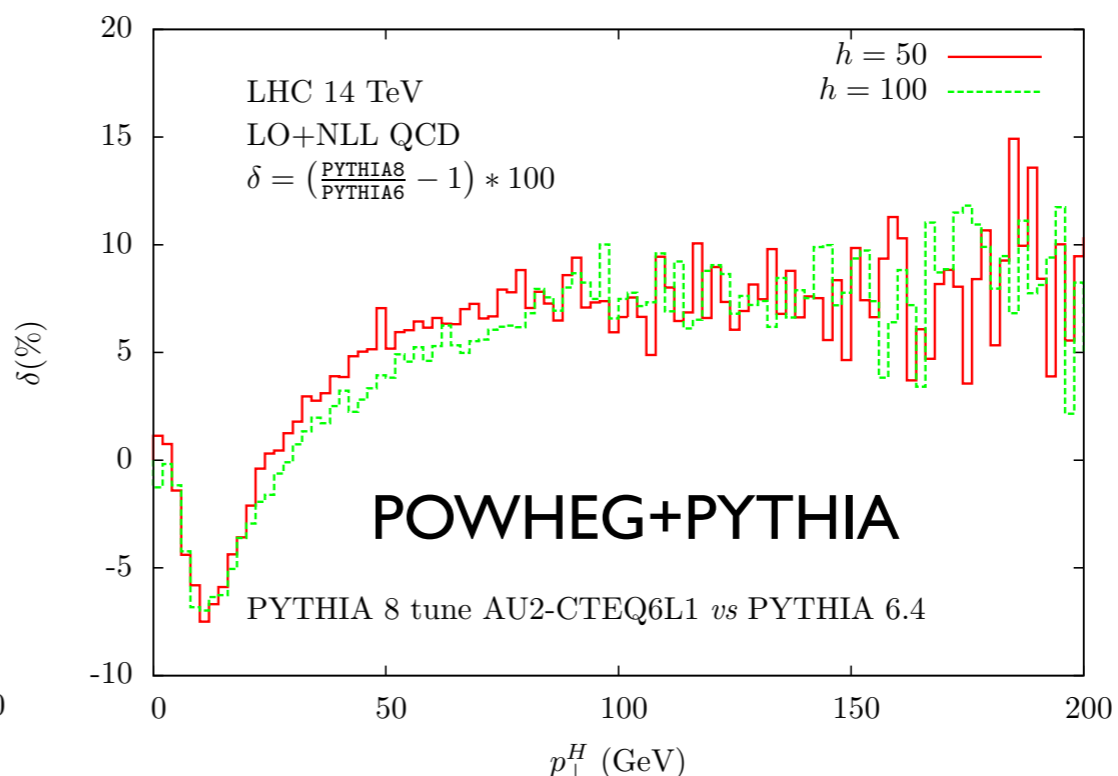
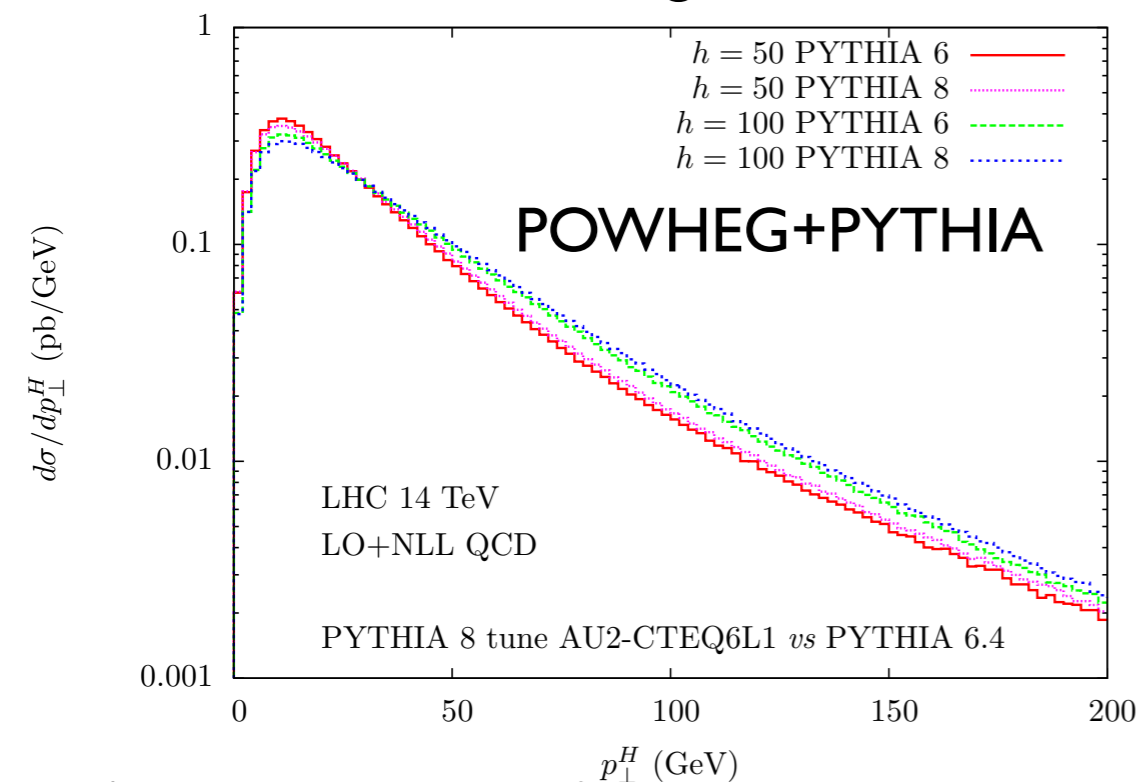
the k_i coefficients will be fit to the data,

different operators can contribute simultaneously (weighted by the corresponding xsecs)

a full set of observables is needed to (possibly) disentangle the different contributions

A naïve question

- the embedding of the EFT partonic subprocesses in the hadron collider environment introduces a “competition” between the effects of higher-dimension operators and the ambiguities of the QCD predictions
- the precise shape of many observables depends on the details of the QCD PS: $ggH+b\bar{b}$ observables are more sensitive, VBF is less sensitive to these details
- the QCD PS (PYTHIA, HERWIG, SHERPA) are tuned on the data [in the SM assumption](#), i.e. they reabsorb whatever is not described by the SM matrix elements, **potentially also BSM effects**
- the QCD PS affects the description of the low-pt regions but observables like the Higgs p_T^H have a correlation between low- p_T^H and high- p_T^H (unitarity constraint) so that the QCD PS might affect also the “signal region”, where a BSM deviation is expected



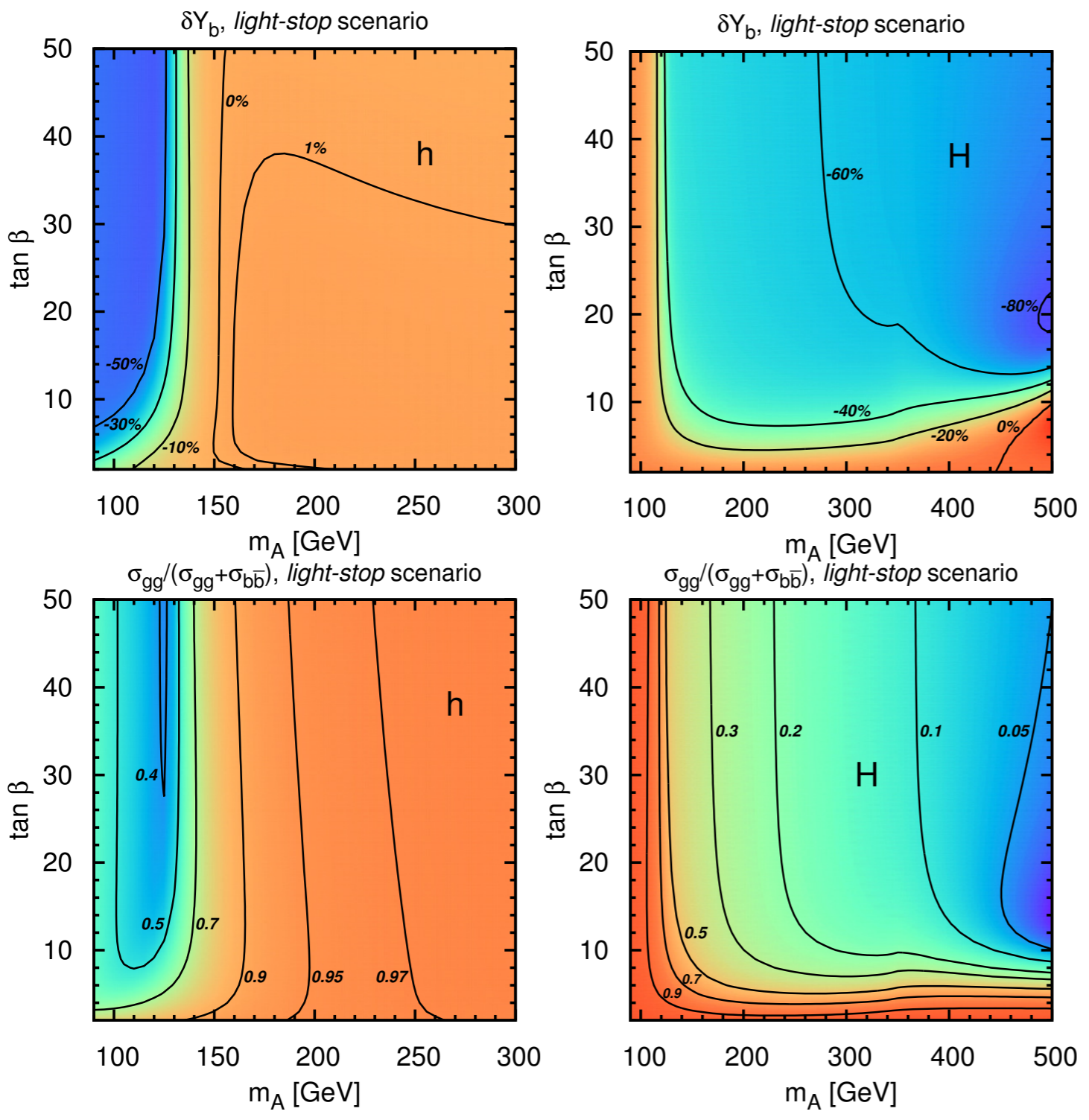
Conclusions

- **Higgs masses**: their accurate evaluation of in the Real MSSM is still a challenging task in the allowed region of the MSSM parameter space
- **total cross sections** (2HDM, MSSM):
 - ▶ it is crucial to account exactly for the relative strength of the top- and bottom-quark contributions
 - ▶ the uncertainties of the MSSM total cross section for gluon fusion + $b\bar{b}$ annihilation have a strong element of uncertainty in the definition of the bottom Yukawa coupling (other sources are better understood or under control)
- **differential distributions**
 - ▶ available in various production channels (gg, $b\bar{b}$, VBF) with (NLO+PS)-QCD accuracy in the MSSM and more recently in EFT approaches
 - ▶ the sensitivity of the Higgs p_T^H distribution to new physics via the gluon fusion channel requires the use of appropriate resummation scales for the top and for the bottom contributions
- **EFT**
 - ▶ promising approach for the Higgs characterization and for a less biased parameterization of new physics effects
 - ▶ major step is the systematic inclusion of NLO-QCD/EW corrections (in progress in public codes)
 - ▶ limiting factors are standard QCD issues, which will benefit from the progress of the SM calculations

back-up slides

Neutral Higgs production in the MSSM: uncertainties of the total cross section

- the choice of renormalization scheme and scale can have a huge impact on the gluon fusion xsec
- the largest effects are where the total Higgs production xsec is dominated by $b\bar{b}$ annihilation



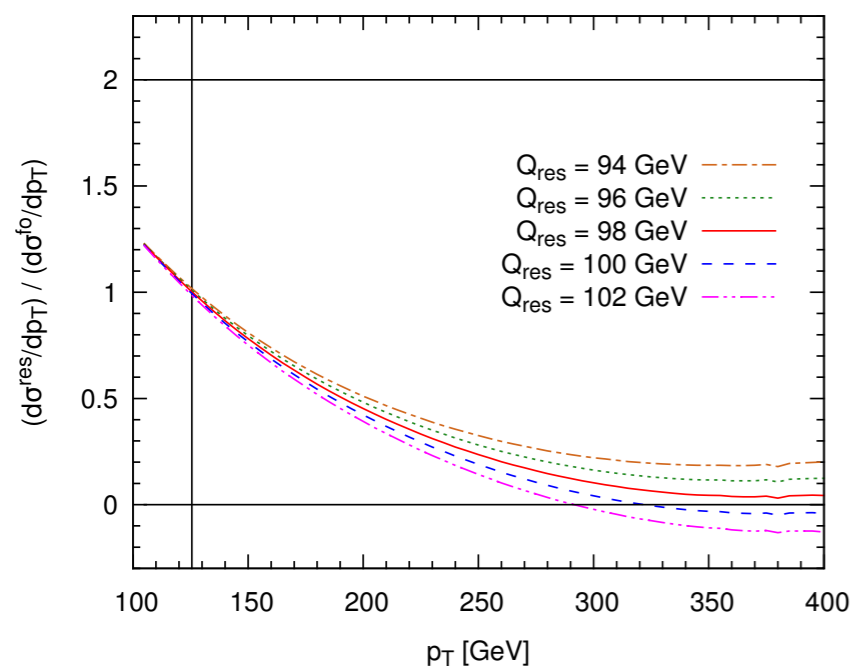
impact of the Y_b renormalization on the gluon fusion cross section

relative contribution of the gluon fusion cross section with respect to the total

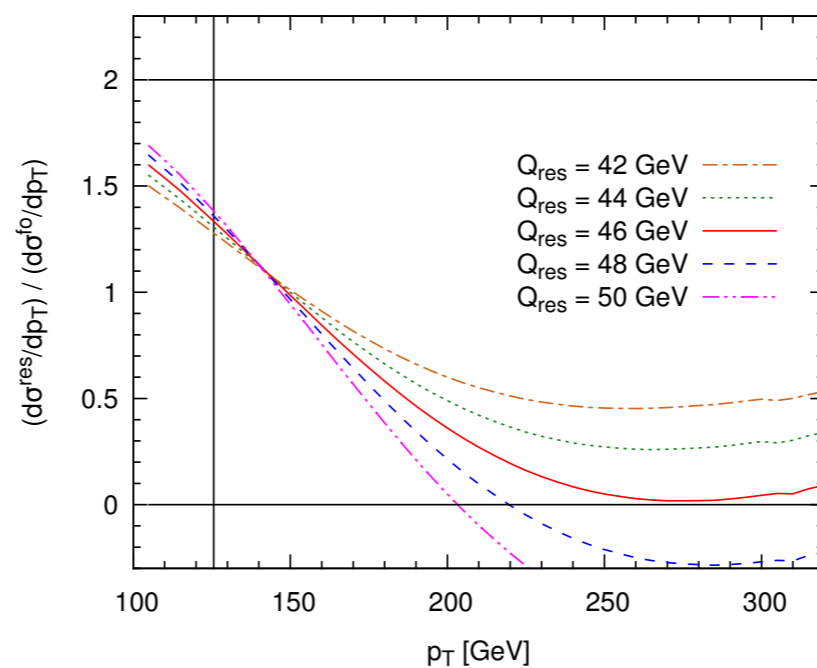
Choice of the resummation scale: positivity requirement

R.Harlander, H.Mantler, M.Wiesemann, arXiv:1409.0531

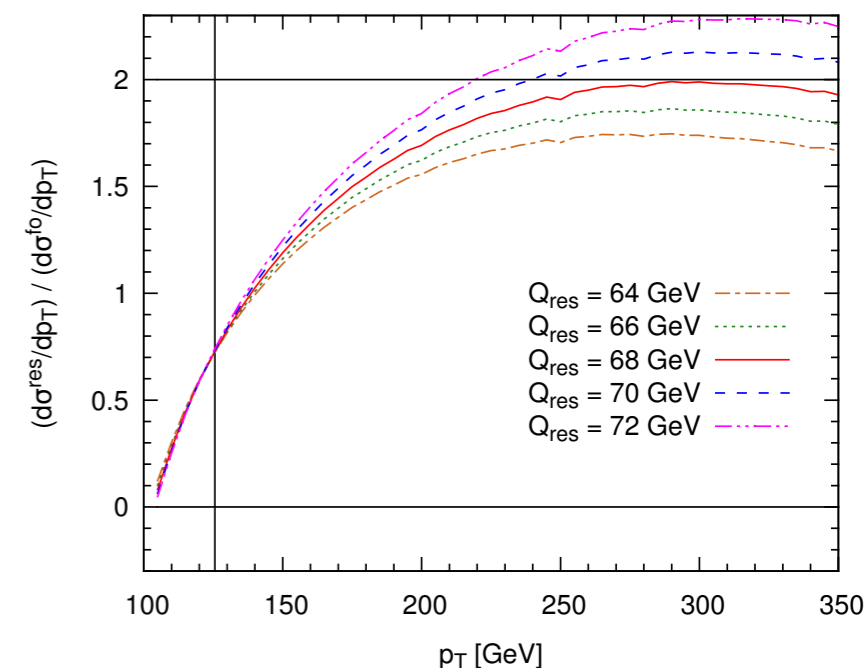
- constraint derived from the hadron level cross section
- separately, fixed order (for $p_{tH} > 0$) and resummed expression (for $p_{tH} \geq 0$) are positive definite after the matching, the expression might become negative, as a consequence of the unitarity constraint



(a)



(b)



(c)

- a maximal value for the resummation scale is thus allowed, in order to preserve the positivity of the distribution in the whole p_{tH} range in order to remain close to the fixed order prediction up to a factor 2
- analysis done separately for top squared, bottom squared and top-bottom interference

Test of different spin hypotheses for the Higgs in Madgraph_aMC@NLO

$$\mathcal{L}_0^f = - \sum_{f=t,b,\tau} \bar{\psi}_f (c_\alpha \kappa_{Hff} g_{Hff} + i s_\alpha \kappa_{Aff} g_{Aff} \gamma_5) \psi_f X_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_0^V = & \left\{ c_\alpha \kappa_{SM} \left[\frac{1}{2} g_{HZZ} Z_\mu Z^\mu + g_{HWW} W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} \right] \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{4} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{H\gamma\gamma} g_{H\gamma\gamma} A_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{A\gamma\gamma} g_{A\gamma\gamma} A_{\mu\nu} \tilde{A}^{\mu\nu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{HZ\gamma} g_{HZ\gamma} Z_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AZ\gamma} g_{AZ\gamma} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{A}^{\mu\nu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{4} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{Hgg} g_{Hgg} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{Agg} g_{Agg} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a,\mu\nu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{\Lambda} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{HZZ} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AZZ} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}^{\mu\nu} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\Lambda} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{HWW} W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AWW} W_{\mu\nu}^+ \tilde{W}^{-\mu\nu} \right] \\ & \left. - \frac{1}{\Lambda} c_\alpha \left[\kappa_{H\partial\gamma} Z_\nu \partial_\mu A^{\mu\nu} + \kappa_{H\partial Z} Z_\nu \partial_\mu Z^{\mu\nu} + (\kappa_{H\partial W} W_\nu^+ \partial_\mu W^{-\mu\nu} + h.c.) \right] \right\} X_0 \end{aligned}$$

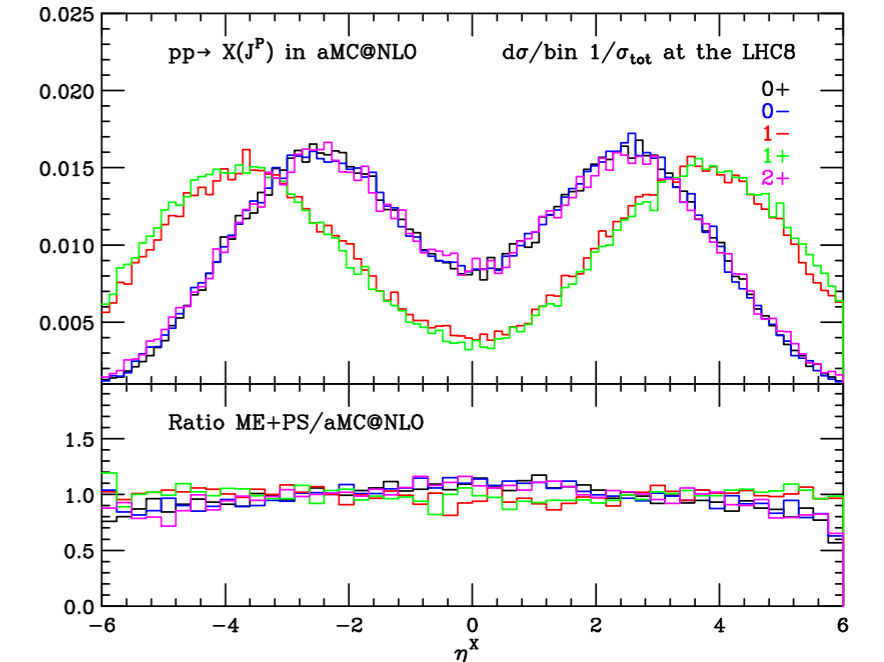
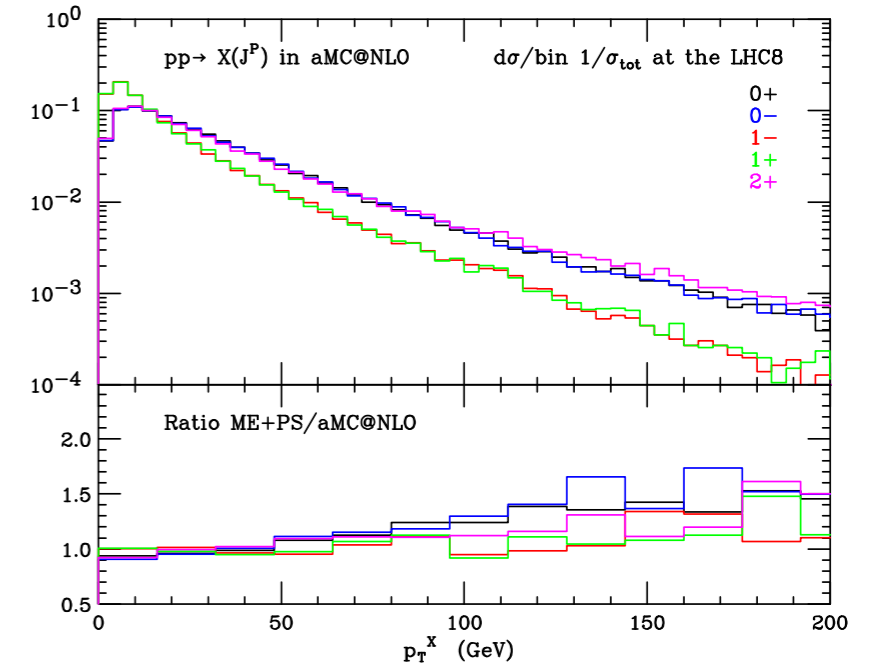
$$\mathcal{L}_1^f = \sum_{f=q,\ell} \bar{\psi}_f \gamma_\mu (\kappa_{fa} a_f - \kappa_{fb} b_f \gamma_5) \psi_f X_1^\mu.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_1^W = & i \kappa_{W_1} g_{WWZ} (W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu} - W_{\mu\nu}^- W^{+\mu}) X_1^\nu + i \kappa_{W_2} g_{WWZ} W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- X_1^{\mu\nu} \\ & - \kappa_{W_3} W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- (\partial^\mu X_1^\nu + \partial^\nu X_1^\mu) \\ & + i \kappa_{W_4} W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- \tilde{X}_1^{\mu\nu} - \kappa_{W_5} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} [W^{+\mu} (\partial^\rho W^{-\nu}) - (\partial^\rho W^{+\mu}) W^{-\nu}] X_1^\sigma, \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_1^Z = -\kappa_{Z_1} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^\mu X_1^\nu - \kappa_{Z_3} X_1^\mu (\partial^\nu Z_\mu) Z_\nu - \kappa_{Z_5} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} X_1^\mu Z^\nu (\partial^\rho Z^\sigma).$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2^f = -\frac{1}{\Lambda} \sum_{f=q,\ell} \kappa_f T_{\mu\nu}^f X_2^{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathcal{L}_2^V = -\frac{1}{\Lambda} \sum_{V=Z,W,\gamma,g} \kappa_V T_{\mu\nu}^V X_2^{\mu\nu}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\mu\nu}^f = & -g_{\mu\nu} \left[\bar{\psi}_f (i\gamma^\rho D_\rho - m_f) \psi_f - \frac{1}{2} \partial^\rho (\bar{\psi}_f i\gamma_\rho \psi_f) \right] \\ & + \left[\frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi}_f i\gamma_\mu D_\nu \psi_f - \frac{1}{4} \partial_\mu (\bar{\psi}_f i\gamma_\nu \psi_f) + (\mu \leftrightarrow \nu) \right], \\ T_{\mu\nu}^\gamma = & -g_{\mu\nu} \left[-\frac{1}{4} A^{\rho\sigma} A_{\rho\sigma} + \partial^\rho \partial^\sigma A_\sigma A_\rho + \frac{1}{2} (\partial^\rho A_\rho)^2 \right] \\ & - A_\mu^\rho A_{\nu\rho} + \partial_\mu \partial^\rho A_\rho A_\nu + \partial_\nu \partial^\rho A_\rho A_\mu, \end{aligned}$$



Parameters of the study on the uncertainties of the total xsec in the MSSM

- inclusion of NLO-EW corrections

$$\sigma_{gg\phi}^{\text{MSSM}} = \sigma_{gg\phi,\text{NLO}}^{\text{MSSM}} (1 + \delta_{\text{EW}}^{\text{lf}}) + \sigma_{gg\phi,\text{NNLO}}^t - \sigma_{gg\phi,\text{NLO}}^t.$$

Scenario	M_S [GeV]	X_t [GeV]	μ [GeV]	M_2 [GeV]
m_h^{max}	1000	2000	200	200
$m_h^{\text{mod+}}$	1000	1500	200	200
$m_h^{\text{mod-}}$	1000	-1900	200	200
<i>light stop</i>	500	1000	400	400
<i>light stau</i>	1000	1600	500	200
<i>tau-phobic</i>	1500	3675	2000	200

Table 1. Choices of MSSM parameters for the benchmark scenarios proposed in ref. [90].

- in the light stop scenario $m_{\tilde{t}_1} = 324\text{GeV}$ $m_{\tilde{t}_2} = 672\text{GeV}$