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# *Higgs Searches at the LHC*

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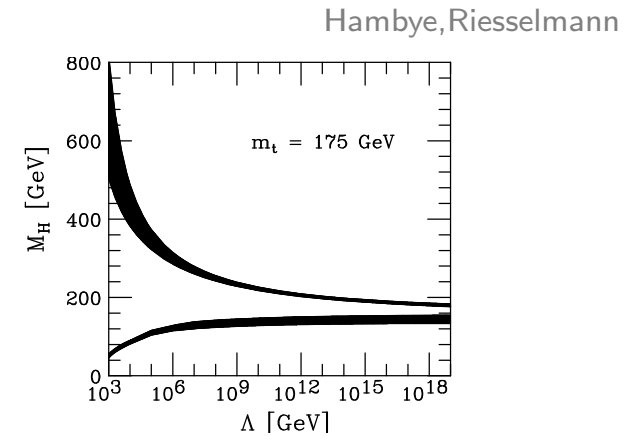
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# SM Higgs Sector - Mass Constraints

- Triviality → upper bound Cabibbo,...; Sher; Lindner; Hasenfratz,...;
- Vacuum stability → lower bound Lüscher, Weisz; Hambye,...;...

$$\Lambda = 1 \text{ TeV} : \quad 55 \text{ GeV} \lesssim M_H \lesssim 700 \text{ GeV}$$

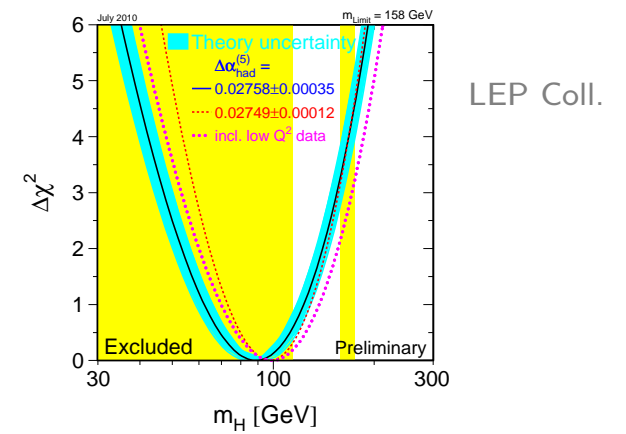
$$\Lambda_{GUT} = 10^{16} \text{ GeV} : \quad 130 \text{ GeV} \lesssim M_H \lesssim 190 \text{ GeV}$$



- Fits to electroweak precision data

$$M_H = 89^{+35}_{-26} \text{ GeV}, \quad M_H \lesssim 185 \text{ GeV} @ 95\% \text{ CL}$$

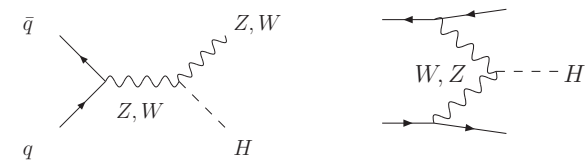
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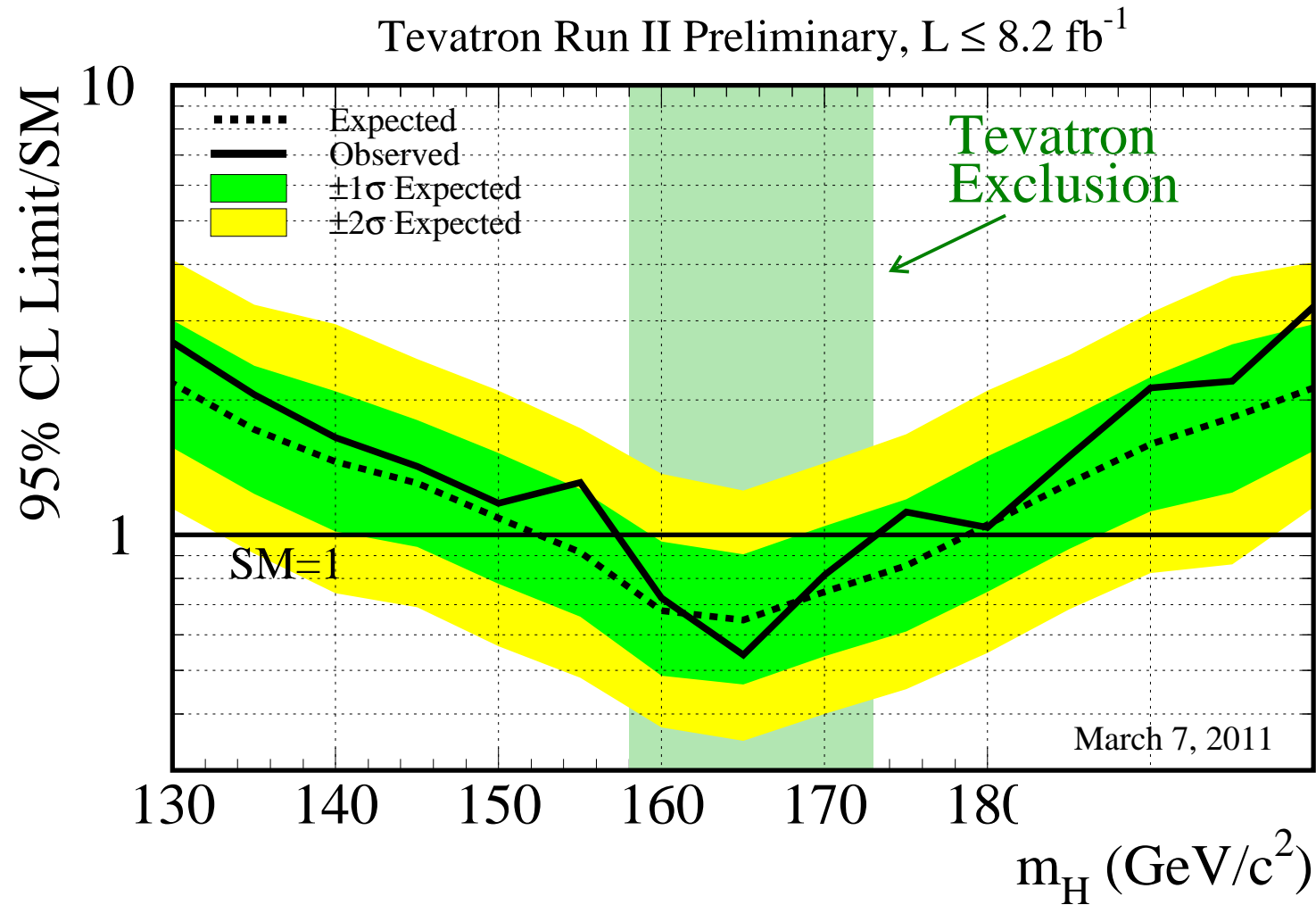
- Direct search @ LEP: [ $M_H = 115.3 \text{ GeV}$ ]

$$M_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV} @ 95\% \text{ CL}$$

LEP Coll.



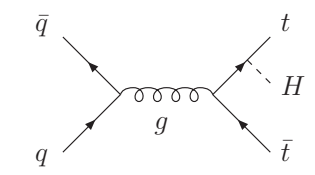
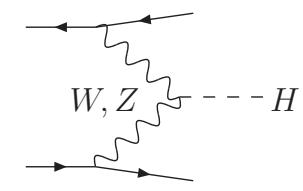
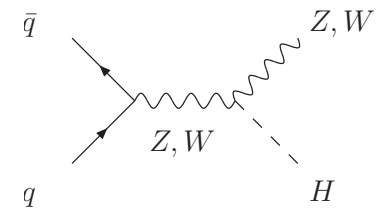
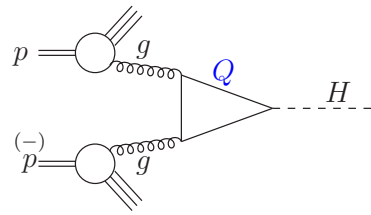
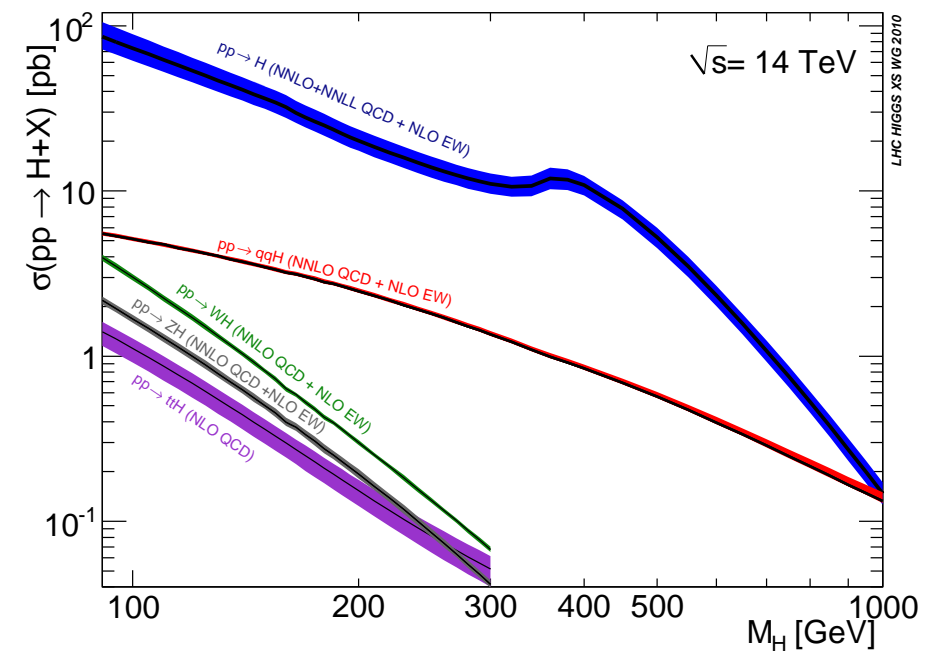
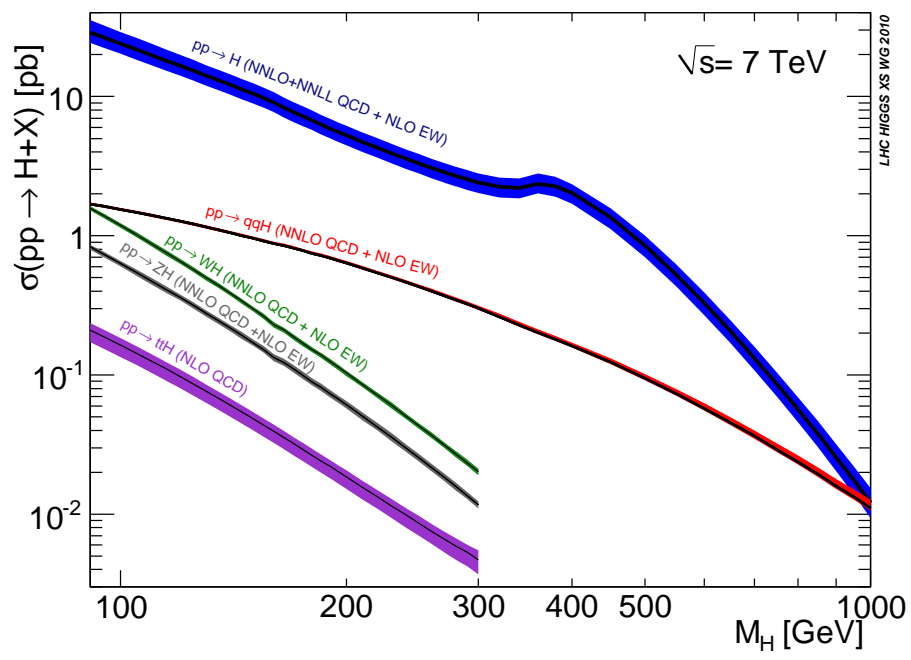
# Tevatron Exclusion



excluded:  $158 \text{ GeV} \leq M_H \leq 173 \text{ GeV}$  at 95% C.L.

# SM Higgs Boson Production at the LHC

LHC Higgs XS WG, arXiv:1101.0593



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## *LHC Higgs Cross Section Working Group*

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- ◇ “*Handbook of LHC Higgs cross sections: 1. Inclusive observables.*” arXiv:1101.0593
- ◇ provide best theory prediction for Higgs cross sections and branching ratios (SM and MSSM)
- ◇ provide theoretical uncertainties on these quantities
- ◇ give precise common inputs
- ◇ inclusive cross sections (effects of cuts on cxns and  $K$  factors → future publication)
- ◇ [https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/Cross Sections](https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/Cross%20Sections)

# The *MSSM* Higgs Sector

**MSSM Higgs sector** – supersymmetry & anomaly free theory  $\Rightarrow$  2 complex Higgs doublets

$\xrightarrow{\text{EWSB}}$

neutral, CP-even  $h, H$

neutral, CP-odd  $A$

charged  $H^+, H^-$

## Higgs masses

$$M_h \lesssim 140 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_{A,H,H^\pm} \sim \mathcal{O}(v) \dots 1 \text{ TeV}$$

Ellis et al; Okada et al; Haber, Hempfling;  
Hoang et al; Carena et al; Heinemeyer et al;  
Zhang et al; Brignole et al; Harlander et al; ...

## Modified couplings with respect to the SM:

$$\tan \beta \uparrow \Rightarrow g_{\Phi uu} \downarrow$$

$$g_{\Phi dd} \uparrow$$

$$g_{\Phi VV}^{MSSM} \lesssim g_{\Phi VV}^{SM}$$

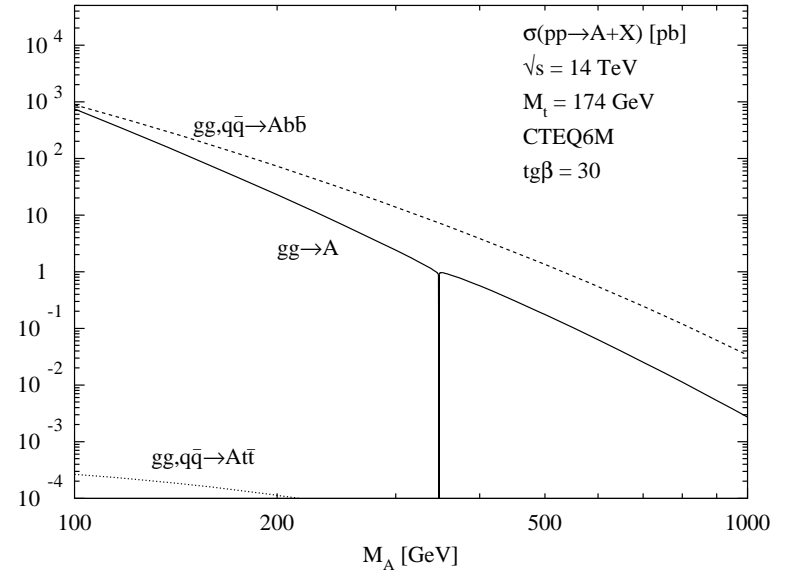
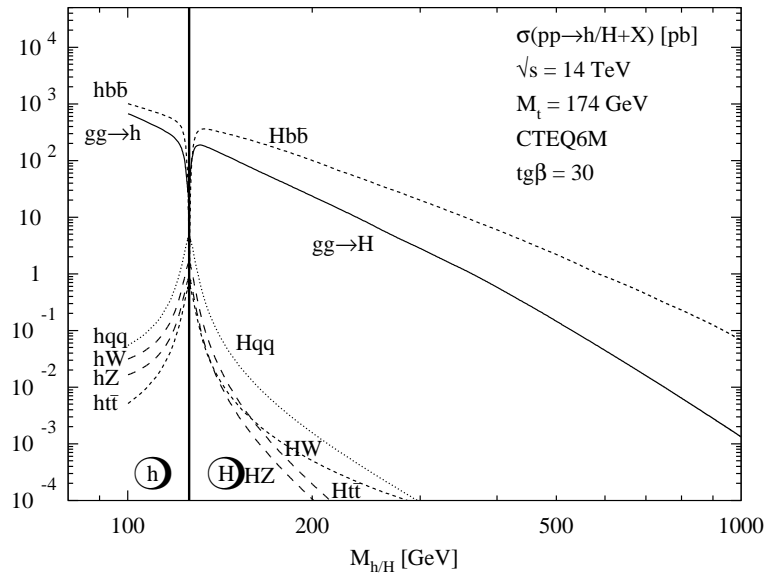
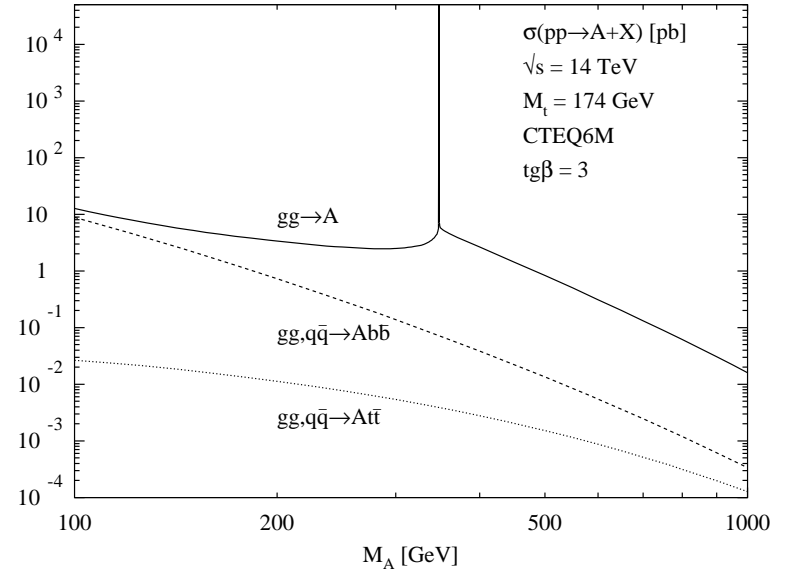
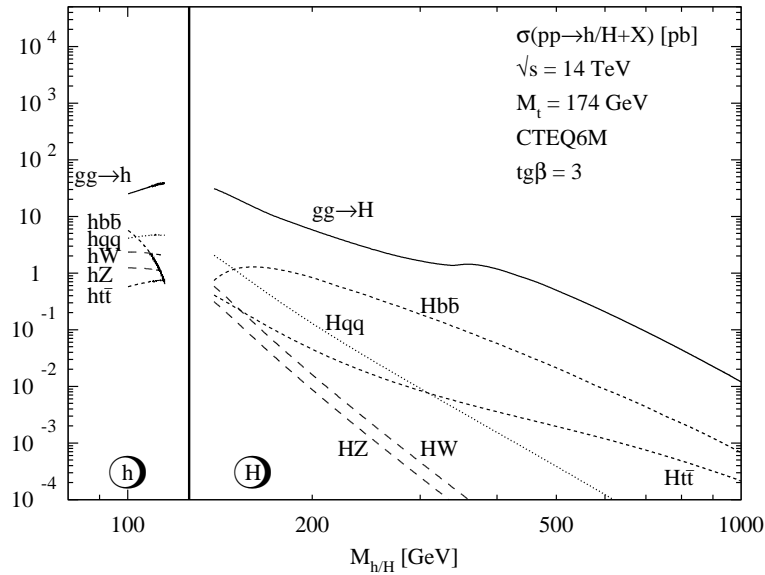
**Direct search at LEP:**  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z + h/H, A + h/H, \nu_e\bar{\nu}_e + h/H$

$$M_{h,H} \gtrsim 92.6 \text{ GeV}, M_A \gtrsim 93.4 \text{ GeV}, M_{H^\pm} \gtrsim 78.6 \text{ GeV},$$

$$0.6 < \tan \beta < 2.5 \text{ excluded } (m_t = 174.3 \text{ GeV})$$

# MSSM Higgs Boson Production at the LHC

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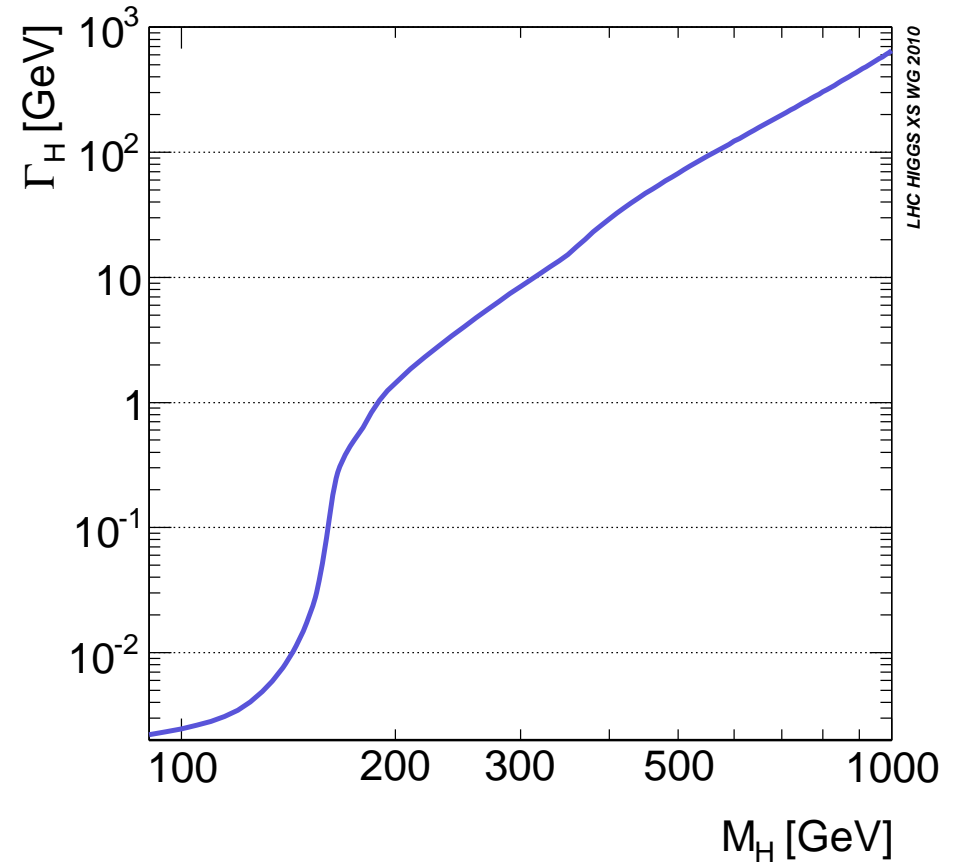
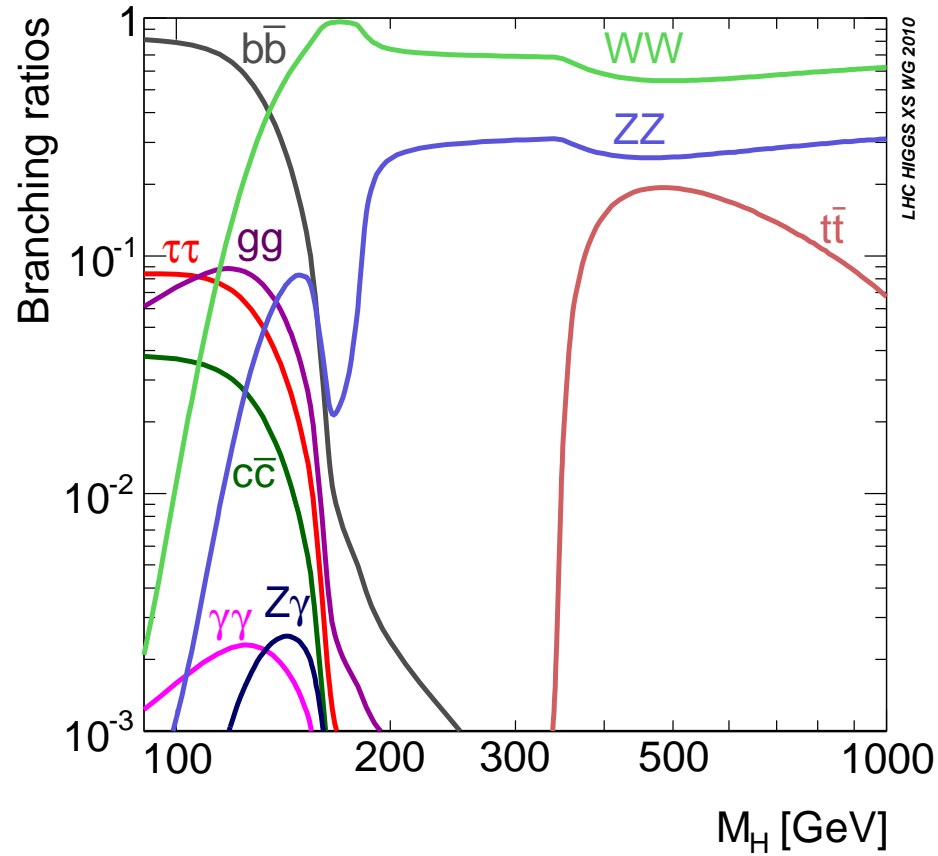
# Higgs Searches

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Decays

# Branching Ratios

LHC Higgs XS WG



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# Branching Ratios

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Created with **HDECAY**

Djouadi, Kalinowski, MMM, Spira

**PROPHECY4F**

Bredenstein, Denner, Dittmaier, Mück, Weber

## ★ HDECAY - upgrade '11

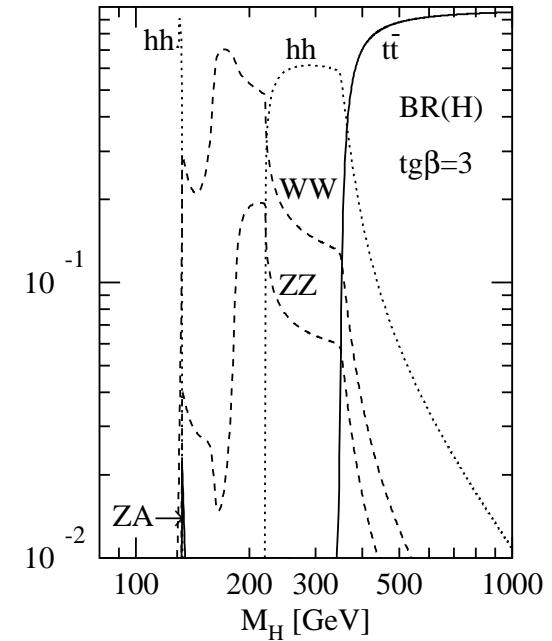
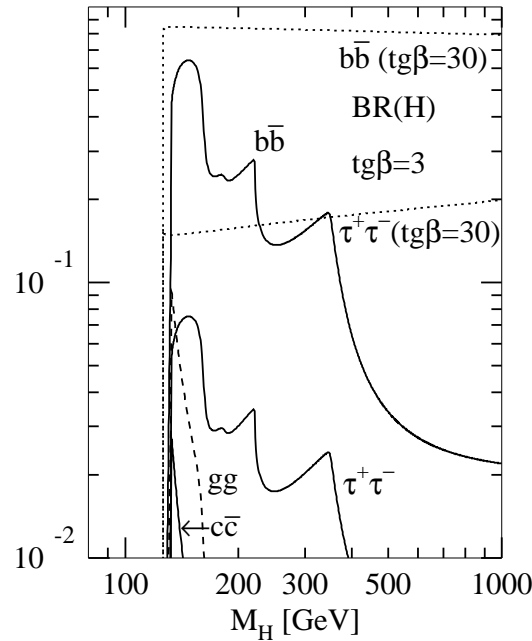
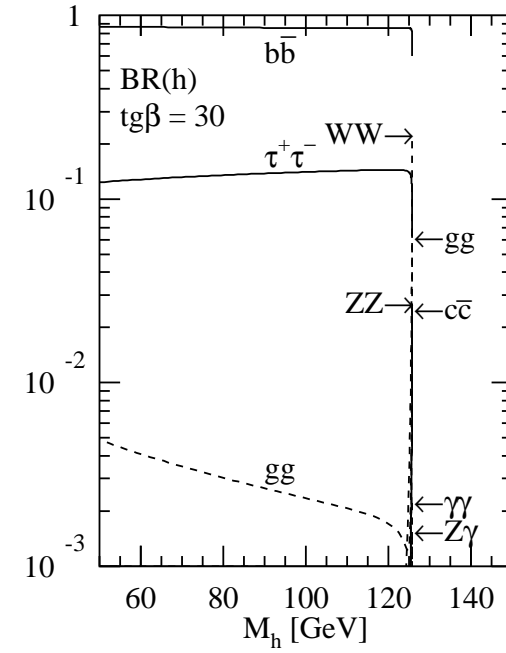
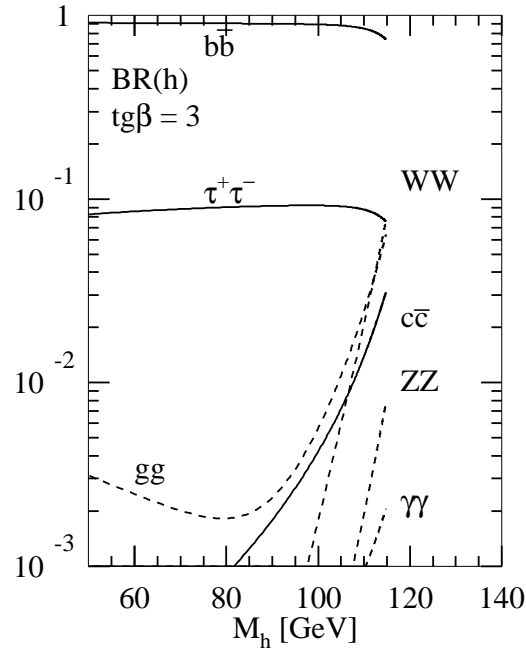
- SM 4th generation
- dominant EW corrs to  $H \rightarrow WW, ZZ$  in fermiophobic and 4th generation SM
- 4-loop QCD to  $H \rightarrow gg$  Baikov, Chetyrkin
- 3-loop QCD to  $A \rightarrow gg$  Bardeen, Chetyrkin, Kniehl, Steinhauser
- NNLO running of  $\alpha_s$

## ★ PROPHECY4F

- $H \rightarrow WW/ZZ \rightarrow 4f$  complete NLO QCD and EW corrections w/ all interferences and leading 2-loop heavy Higgs corrections

# MSSM Branching Ratios

HDECAY



# SUSY Decays - Further developments

- Large SUSY-QCD corrections to  $\phi^0 \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

$$\phi^0 \rightarrow b\bar{b} \quad + \dots \quad \sim \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{m_{\tilde{g}} \mu \tan \beta}{m_{\tilde{b}}^2}$$

Hall eal; Carena eal;  
Nierste eal; Guasch eal; ...

⇒ resummed Yukawa couplings

Carena, Garcia, Nierste, Wagner;  
Eberl eal; Guasch, Häfliger, Spira

- \* NNLO to effective bottom Yukawa couplings:  $\Delta_{\text{th}}$  at per cent level

Noth, Spira '08;  
Mihaila, Reiber '10

- Full 1-loop corrections to  $h_a \rightarrow h_b h_c$ ,  $h_a \rightarrow f\bar{f}$  in complex MSSM

Williams, Rzehak  
Weiglein '11

[tools for complex MSSM: FeynHiggs Hahn eal, CPsuperH Lee eal]

- **HFOLD**: Fortran package for MSSM Higgs 2-body decays and BRs at full one-loop level

Frisch, Eberl, Hlucha '10

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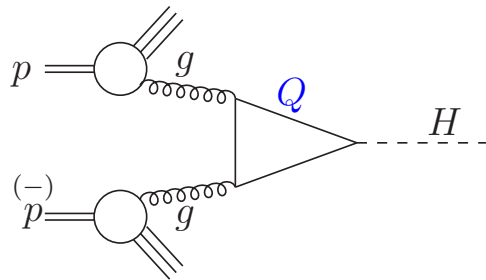
Production

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# Higgs Boson Production in gluon fusion

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(i) **Dominant: Gluon Fusion**  $pp \rightarrow gg \rightarrow H^{SM} / h, H, A$  (small & moderate  $\tan \beta$ )



Georgi et al; Gamberini et al

## QCD corrections to top & bottom loops

- ▶ NLO (SM, MSSM): **increase  $\sigma$  by  $\sim 10\text{...}100\%$**   
[moderate for large  $\tan \beta \leftarrow b$ -loop]
- ▶ SM;  $\tan \beta \lesssim 5$ : limit  $M_\Phi \ll m_t$  - **approximation  $\sim 20\text{-}30\%$**
- ▶ NNLO @  $M_\Phi \ll m_t \Rightarrow$  **further increase by 20-30%**
- ▶ Estimate of NNNLO effects @  $M_\Phi \ll m_t \rightsquigarrow$  **scale stabilisation**  
scale dependence:  **$\Delta \lesssim 10 - 15\%$**
- ▶ NNLL resummation:  **$+ \sim 10\%$**
- ▶ resummation of soft gluons @ N<sup>3</sup>LL and of  $\pi^2$  enhanced terms

Spira, Djouadi, Graudenz, Zerwas  
Dawson; Kauffman, Schaffer

Krämer, Laenen, Spira

Harlander, Kilgore  
Anastasiou, Melnikov  
Ravindran, Smith, van Neerven  
Moch, Vogt  
Ravindran

Catani, de Florian, Grazzini, Nason

Ahrens, Neubert, Becher, Yang

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## Corrections to top & bottom loops

- ▷ NNLO mass effects ( $t$  loops) Harlander, Ozeren; Pak, Rogal, Steinhauser; Marzani et al.  
for  $M_H \lesssim 300$  GeV  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(0.5\%)$
- ▷ NLO electroweak corrections  $\sim -4\% - 6\%$  (SM) Aglietti et al.; Deggrasi, Maltoni; Actis et al
- ▷ mixed QCD and EW corrections Anastasiou, Boughezal, Petriello

## NLO corrections to squark loops

- ▷ in the heavy mass limit Dawson, Djouadi, Spira
- ▷ full SUSY-QCD corrections in heavy mass limit Harlander, Steinhauser; Harlander, Hofmann; Deggrasi, Slavich '11
- ▷ bottom/sbottom contributions Deggrasi, Slavich '11  
asymptotic expansion in  $\tilde{M} \gg m_b, M_\phi$  Harlander, Hofmann, Mantler '11

## $m_{\tilde{Q}} \lesssim 400$ GeV:

- ▷ NLO squark mass effects  $\sim 15\%$  MMM, Spira; Anastasiou, Beerli, Bucherer, Daleo, Kunszt; Aglietti, Bonciani, Deggrasi, Vicini
- ▷ full NLO SUSY QCD calculation Anastasiou, Beerli, Daleo; MMM, Rzehak, Spira

## NNLO SUSY-QCD corrections from $t/\tilde{t}$ sector

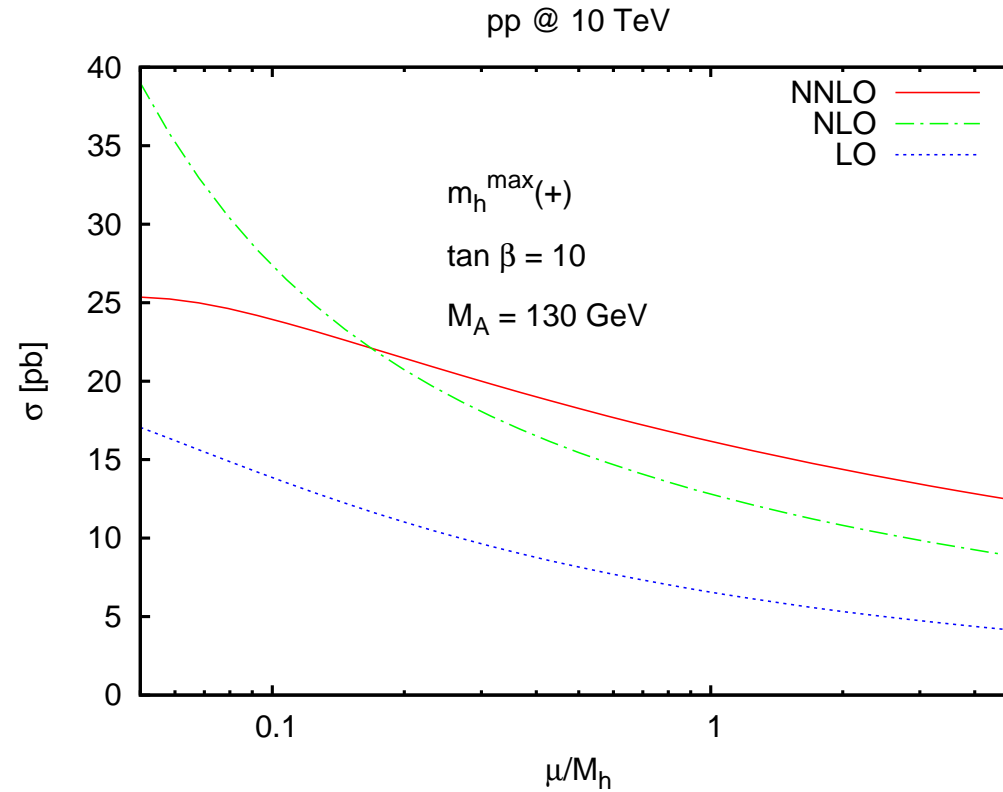
Pak, Steinhauser, Zerf '10



## MSSM Higgs production in gluon fusion

$$\sigma^{MSSM} = \sigma_{NLO}^{MSSM} + (g_t^h)^2 \left[ (1 + \delta_{EW}) \sigma_{NNLO}^{SM,t} - \sigma_{NLO}^{SM,t} \right]$$

Harlander, Hofmann, Mantler '11

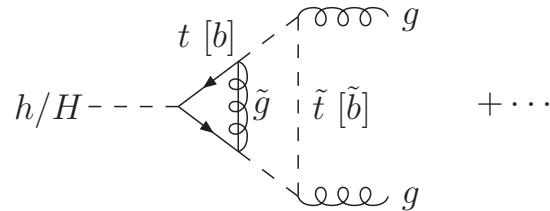


Mhmax:  $\tan \beta = 10$ ,  $M_{SUSY} = 1 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $\mu = 200 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $M_2 = 200 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $M_3 = 800 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $X_t = 2 \text{ TeV}$   
 $m_{\tilde{t}_1} = 830 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $m_{\tilde{t}_2} = 1170 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $m_{\tilde{b}_1} \approx m_{\tilde{b}_2} \approx 1 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $m_{\tilde{g}} = 800 \text{ GeV}$

# Genuine SUSY-QCD corrections

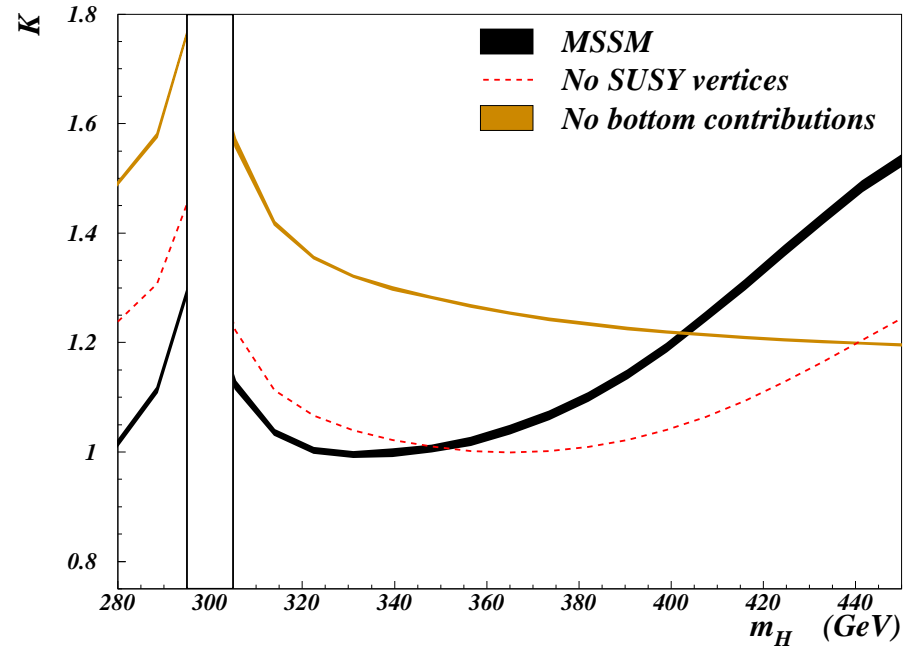
- Limit heavy SUSY masses  $\rightarrow \mathcal{O}(10\%)$

Harlander, Steinhauser, Hofmann



Anastasiou, Beerli, Daleo  
MMM, Rzehak, Spira

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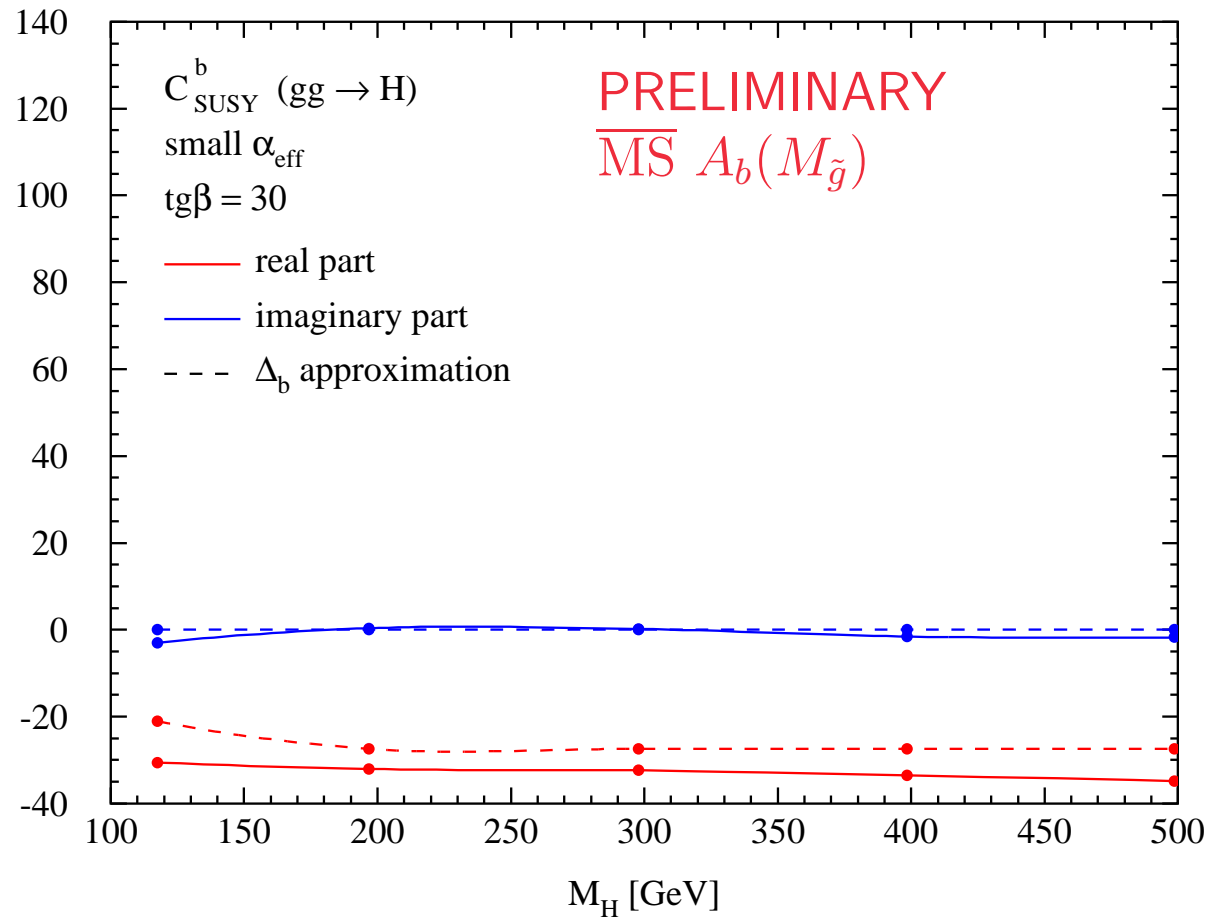


$\tan \beta = 20$ ,  $\mu = 300$  GeV,  $\alpha = 3^\circ$ ,  $\theta_t = \theta_b = 40^\circ$ ,  $m_{\tilde{g}} = 500$  GeV,  
 $m_{\tilde{t}_1} = 150$  GeV,  $m_{\tilde{t}_2} = 350$  GeV,  $m_{\tilde{b}_1} = 350$  GeV,  $m_{\tilde{b}_2} = 370$  GeV

## Genuine SUSY-QCD corrections

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \phi) = \sigma_0^\phi \tau_\phi \frac{d\mathcal{L}^{gg}}{d\tau_\phi}$$

$$\sigma^{h/H} = \frac{G_F \alpha_s^2}{288\sqrt{2}\pi} \left| \sum_Q g_Q^{h/H} A_Q^{h/H} \left[ 1 + C_{SUSY}^Q \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right] + \sum_Q g_{\tilde{Q}}^{h/H} A_{\tilde{Q}}^{h/H} (\tau_{\tilde{Q}}) \right|^2$$



MMM, Rzehak, Spira

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Spira '11

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Anastasiou, Bühler, Herzog, Lazopoulos '11

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Anastasiou et al '11

- NLO QCD w/ full quark mass dependence, NNLO QCD in HQET, 3-loop EW/QCD corrections

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Anastasiou et al '11; Ruan, Zhang '11

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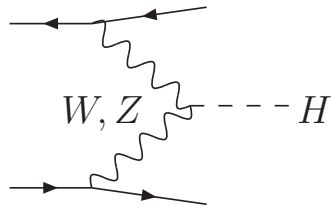
- **MadLoop**

Hirschi et al. '11

- complete automation of 1-loop QCD corrections
- example  $t\bar{t}H$  production

# Higgs Boson Production in $W/Z$ boson fusion

(ii)  $W/Z$  boson fusion:  $pp \rightarrow qq \rightarrow qq + WW/ZZ \rightarrow qq + H^{SM} / h, H$



Cahn, Dawson  
Hikasa  
Altarelli, Mele, Pitoli

- ▷ **NLO QCD corrections to total rate (SM/MSSM)** ~ 5 to 10% Han, Valencia, Willenbrock

**distributions (SM/MSSM)** ~ 20 % Figy, Oleari, Zeppenfeld

**dominant NLO QCD to H+3j** Berger, Campbell

Figy, Hankele, Zeppenfeld
- ▷ **Full EW & QCD corrections ~ 5%** Ciccolini, Denner, Dittmaier HAWK **( $\Delta^{\text{theor}} \sim 5 \%$ )**
- ▷ **SUSY QCD corrections small** Djouadi, Spira
- ▷ **SUSY EW+QCD corrections small** Hollik, Plehn, Rauch, Rzehak

Figy, Palmer, Weiglein '10

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## $W/Z$ boson fusion - further higher order corrections

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▷ **One-loop interference effects in  $H+jj$**

between  $gg$  fusion and WBF at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2\alpha_s^3)$  below percent level  
implemented in VBFNLO

Andersen,Binoth,Heinrich,Smillie  
Bredenstein,Hagiwara,Jäger

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▷ **NNLO QCD effects  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3\alpha_s^2)$**

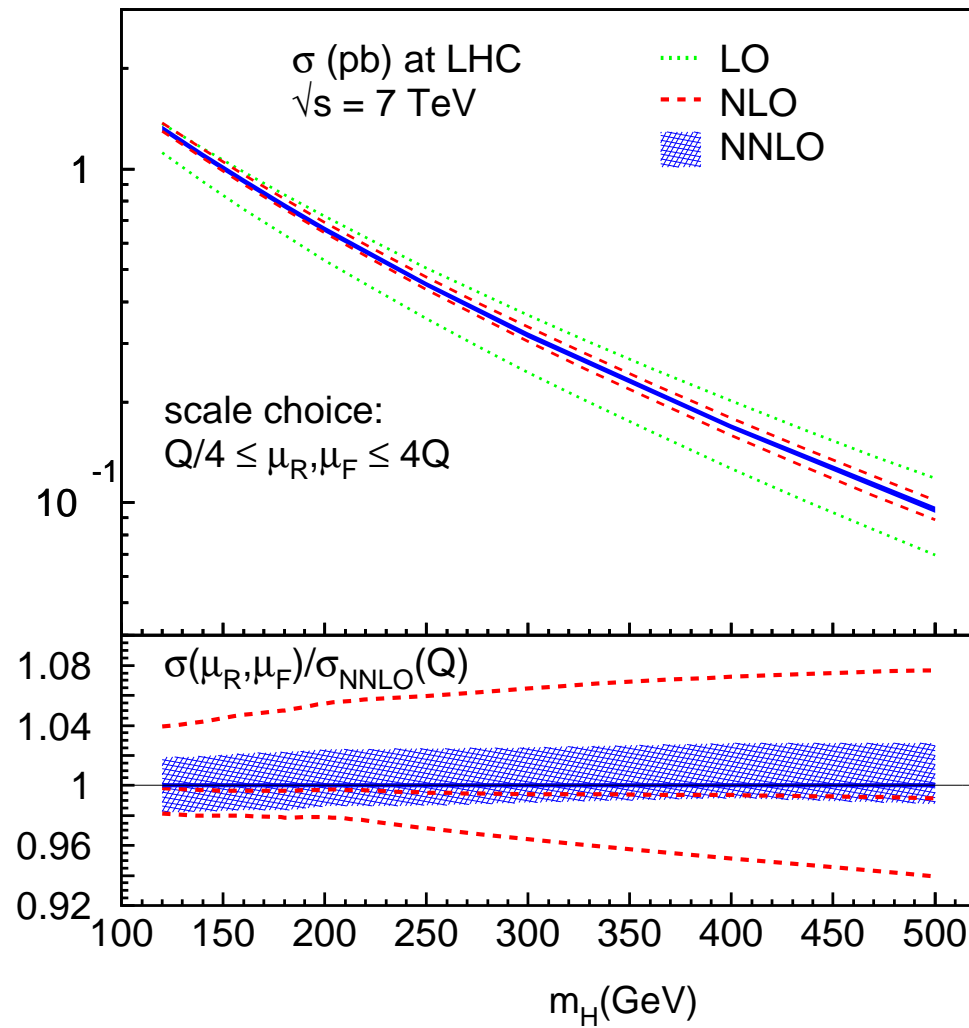
$\Delta_{th} \sim 2\%$

Harlander,Vollinga,Weber  
Bolzoni,Maltoni,Moch,Zaro '10



# $W/Z$ boson fusion NNLO QCD corrections

Bolzoni, Maltoni, Moch, Zaro '10

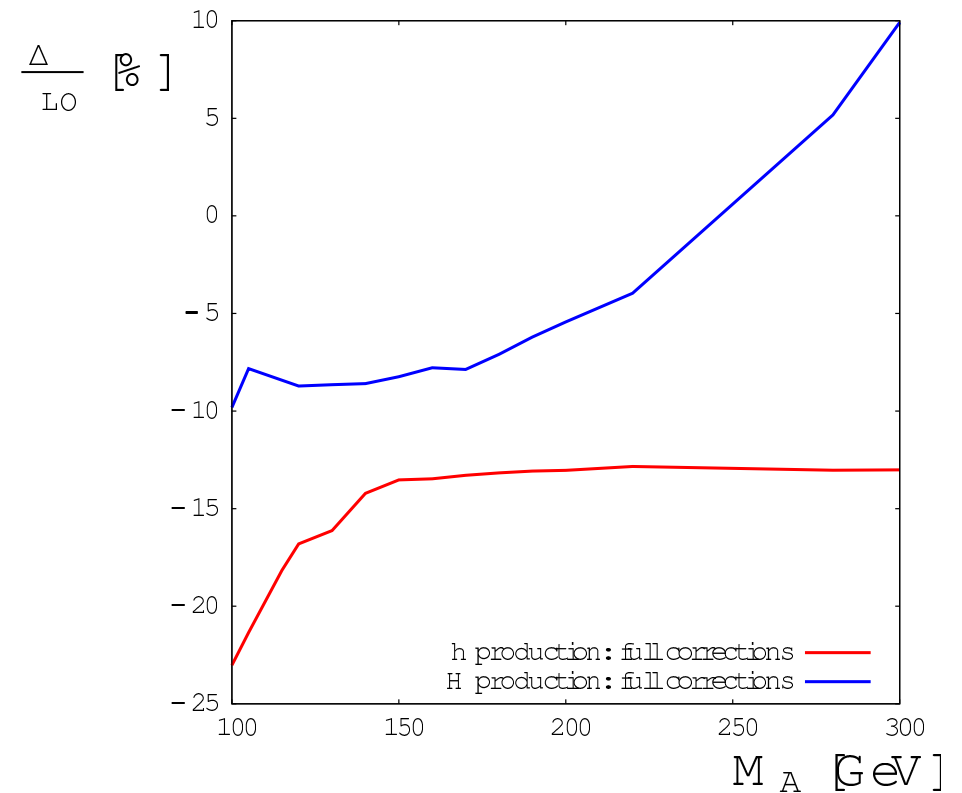
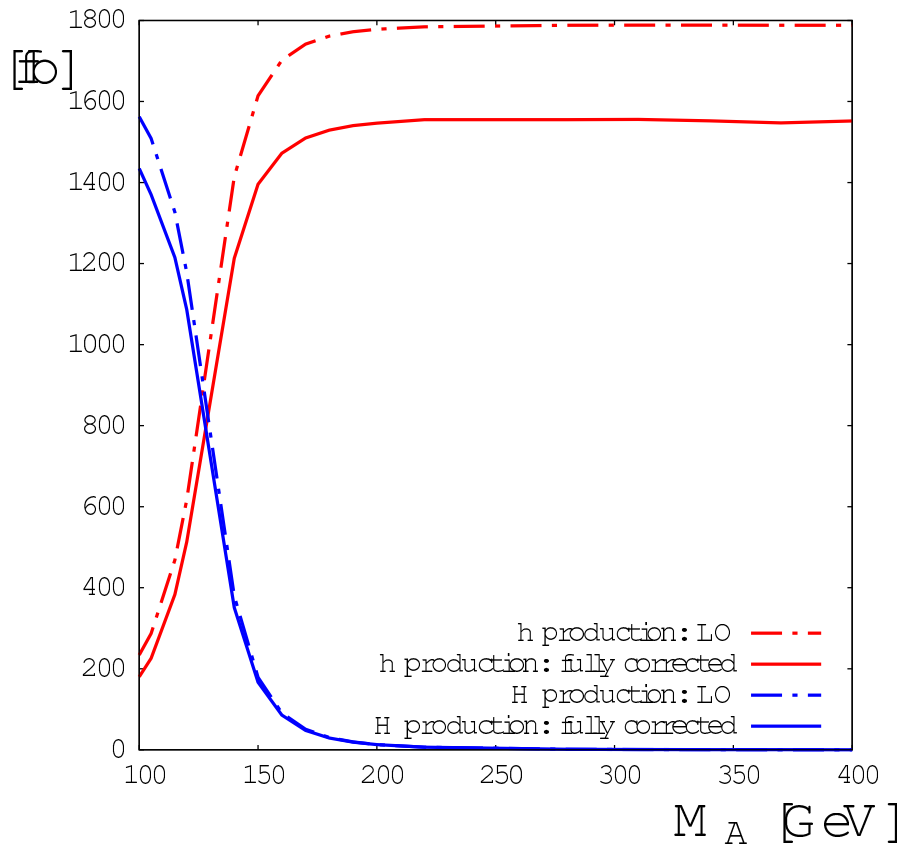


# W/Z boson fusion in the SM and MSSM

SM: Full 1-loop

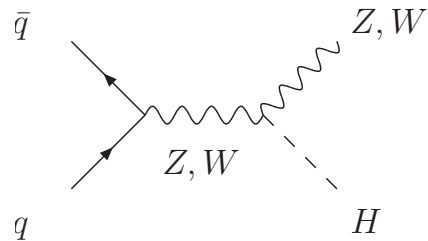
Figy,Palmer,Weiglein '10

MSSM: dominant SUSY 1-loop combined w/ full 1-loop SM type corrections; complex phases



# Higgs-strahlung

(iii)  $pp \rightarrow q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z^*/W^* \rightarrow Z/W + H^{SM} / h, H$



Glashow et al.  
Kunszt et al.

Contribution to  $\Phi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  discovery contour

- **NLO QCD corrections (SM/MSSM)**  $\sim +30\%$  (Drell-Yan) Han, Willenbrock
- **NNLO QCD corrections (SM/MSSM)**  $\sim +5-10\%$  Harlander, Kilgore  
Hamberg, Van Neerven, Matsuura  
Brein, Djouadi, Harlander
- **SUSY QCD corrections**  $\lesssim$  few per cent Djouadi, Spira
- **Full EW corrections (SM)**  $\sim -5-10\%$  Ciccolini, Dittmaier, Krämer

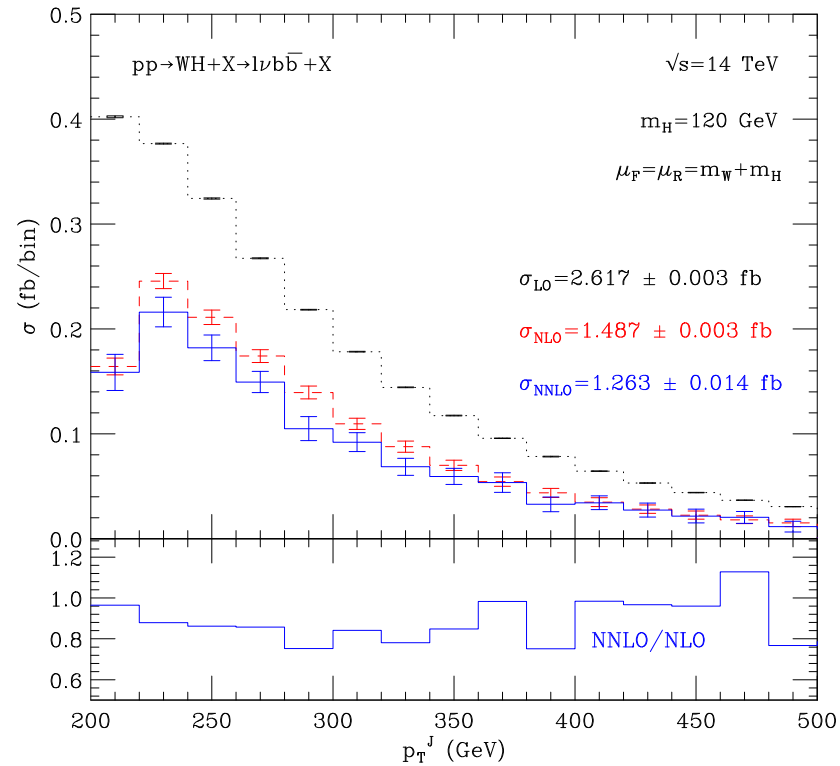
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Ferrera, Grazzini, Tramontano '11

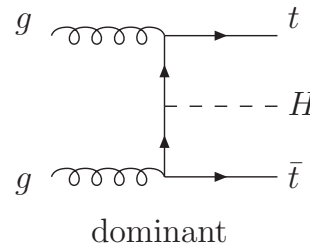
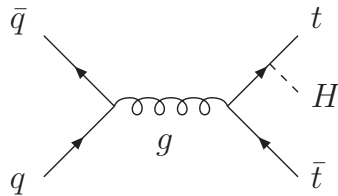
- finite width effects
- $W$  boson leptonic decay w/ spin correlations
- Higgs decay into  $b\bar{b}$

scale dep  $\pm 13\%$  (NLO)  $\rightarrow \pm 6\%$  (NNLO)



## Associated production with a $t\bar{t}$ pair

(iv) Higgs  $t\bar{t}$  production:  $pp \rightarrow q\bar{q}/gg \rightarrow t\bar{t} + H^{SM} / h(H, A)$



Kunszt;Gunion;  
Marciano,Paige

Significant role:  $M_H^{SM} \lesssim 150$  GeV; light scalar MSSM Higgs

- $t\bar{t}H \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  important contr. to  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  discovery
- $t\bar{t}H \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  important at LHC  $\rightsquigarrow$  top Yukawa coupling
- NLO bkg  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ ,  $t\bar{t}jj^*$
- NLO QCD corrections (SM,MSSM):  $\sim +20$  %  
 $\Delta^{\text{theor}} \sim 15$  %
- SUSY QCD corrections:  $\pm(10 - 30)$  %

Gunion et al.;  
Drollinger et al.

Bredenstein,Denner,Dittmaier,Pozzorini;  
Bevilacqua,Czakon,Papadopoulos,Pittau,Worek  
\*Bevilacqua et al. HELAC-NLO

Beenakker et al.;  
Dawson et al.

Peng et al.  
Dittmaier,Häfliger,Krämer,Spira,Walser

# Associated production with a $b\bar{b}$ pair

**(v) Higgs  $b\bar{b}$  production:** dominant MSSM Higgs production mechanism for  $\tan\beta \gtrsim 7$   
 measurement of  $\tan\beta$

- Four-flavour scheme 4FS: LO cxn  $gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}\Phi^0$



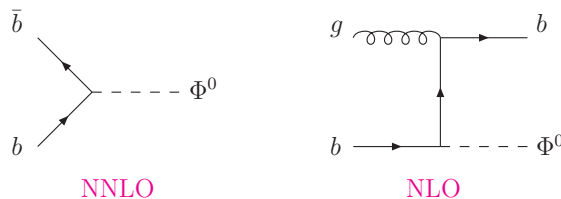
NLO with 0,1,2 high-transverse momentum  $b$  jets

exact  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  splitting & mass/off-shell effects

large logs from phase space integration  $\rightsquigarrow$  absorbed in bottom PDF  $\Rightarrow$

Dittmaier, Krämer, Spira;  
 Dawson, Jackson, Reina, Wackerath

- Five-flavour scheme 5FS: LO cxn  $b\bar{b} \rightarrow \Phi^0$

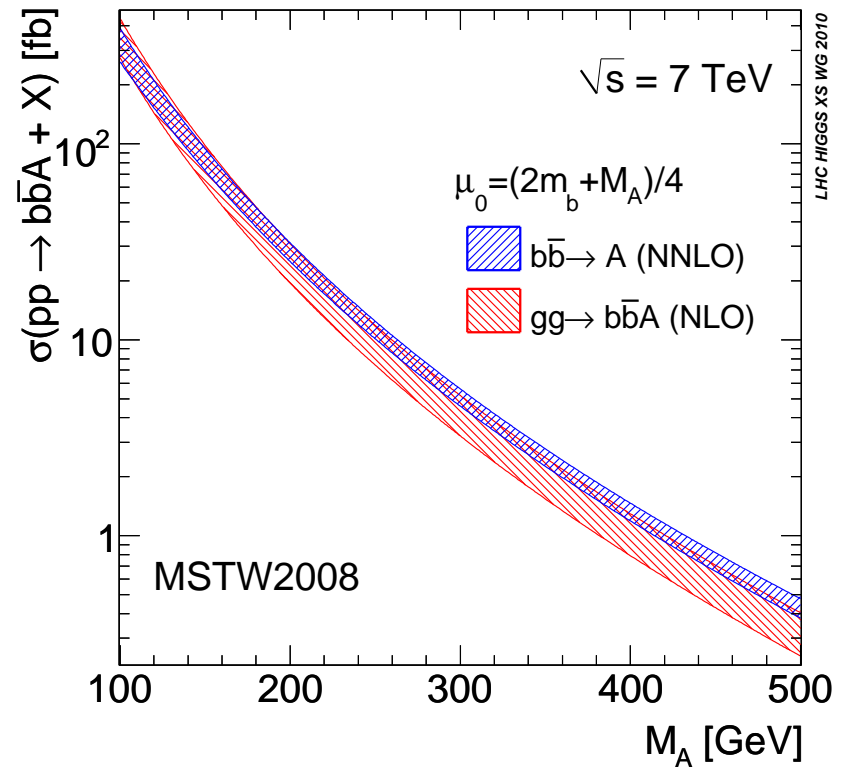
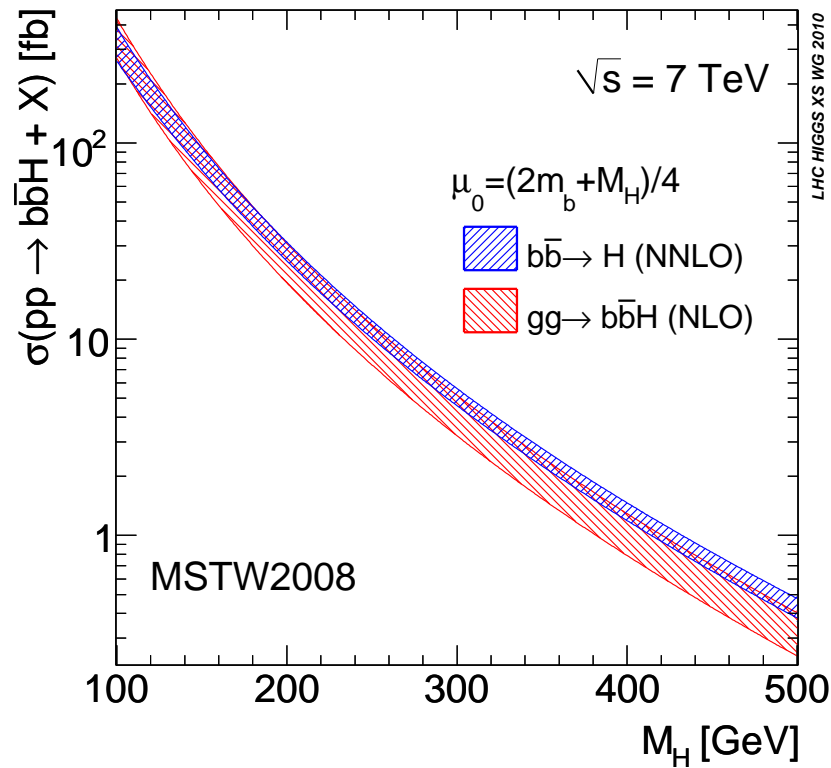


massless/on-shell  $b$ 's, no  $p_{Tb}$ , resummation of  $\log M_H^2/m_b^2$  terms

Dicus, Willenbrock  
 Stelzer et al.; Balazs et al.  
 Campbell et al.  
 Harlander, Kilgore  
 Kidonakis

# Associated production with a $b\bar{b}$ pair

LHC Higgs XS WG



blue bands: combined scale and 68% CL PDF +  $\alpha_s$  uncertainties of the 5FS

red bands: scale uncertainties of the 4FS

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## Associated production with a $b\bar{b}$ pair

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### • Further corrections:

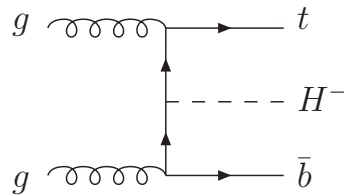
- EW and QCD corrections to  $b\bar{b} \rightarrow \Phi^0$ : few % ( $\sim \Delta_b$ ) Dittmaier, Krämer, Mück, Schlüter
- dominant  $t$  contr. to “NNLO”  $b\bar{b}h$ : few %  $M_H \lesssim 120$  GeV  
several 10 % above Boudjema, Ninh
- SUSY QCD to  $gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$  Gao et al.; Hollik, Rauch
- SUSY QCD to  $b\bar{b} \rightarrow \Phi^0, bg \rightarrow b\Phi^0$ : few % ( $\sim \Delta_b$ ) Dawson, Jackson
- EW to  $bg \rightarrow bH^{\text{SM}}$  Dawson, Jaiswal '10
- Complete EW to  $bg \rightarrow b\Phi^0$  Beccaria, et al. '10



# Charged Higgs Production

**(vi) Dominant:**  $pp \rightarrow q\bar{q}, gg \rightarrow t\bar{b}H^- + X$  (4FS),  $bg \rightarrow H^-t$  (5FS)

- Four-flavour scheme 4FS: LO cxn  $pp \rightarrow q\bar{q}, gg \rightarrow t\bar{b}H^-$



Bawa eal;  
Borzumati eal;  
Belyaev eal

NLO QCD & SUSY QCD corrections  
scale dependence reduced:  $\Delta \lesssim 25\%$

Peng et al.  
Dittmaier et al.

exact  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  splitting & mass/off-shell effects  
no resummation of  $\log M_H^2/m_b^2$  terms  $\Rightarrow$

- Five-flavour scheme 5FS: LO cxn  $gb \rightarrow H^-t$

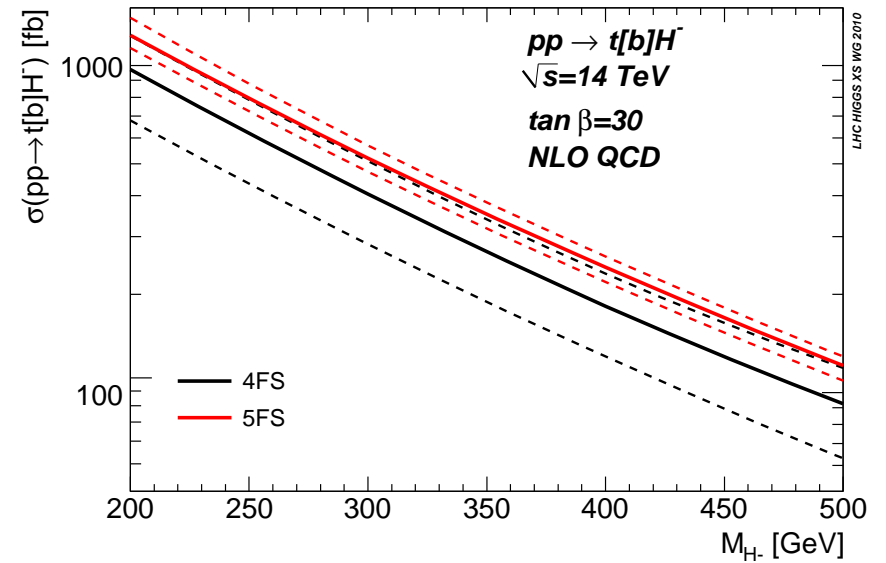
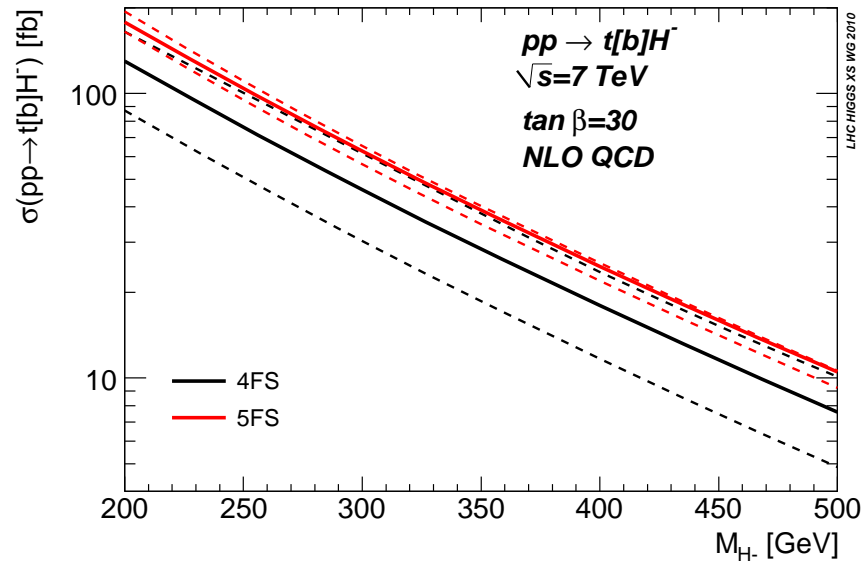
NLO SUSY QCD corr.: significant

Zhu; Plehn; Berger eal;  
Gao et al.; Kidonakis

massless/on-shell  $b$ 's, no  $p_{Tb}$ ,  
resummation of  $\log M_H^2/m_b^2$  terms

# Charged Higgs Production

LHC Higgs XS WG



error bands:  $\mu_0/3 \leq \mu_R, \mu_F \leq 3\mu_0$

5FS:  $\mu_0 = (m_t + M_{H^-})/4$

4FS:  $\mu_0 = (m_t + m_b + M_{H^-})/3$

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# Charged Higgs Production

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- **Further corrections:**

- EW and strong corrections to in 4FS and 5FS Jin et al.;  
Belyaev et al
- Complete NLO MSSM EW corrections to  $bg \rightarrow tH^-$  can be sizeable Beccaria et al.

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## Higgs Physics - Beyond

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UnHiggs  
Gaugephobic Higgs  
Composite Higgs  
Gauge Higgs  
Simplest Higgs  
Private Higgs  
Intermediate Higgs  
Fat Higgs  
Twin Higgs  
Phantom Higgs  
Little Higgs  
Littlest Higgs  
Slim Higgs  
Higgsless  
Portal Higgs  
Lone Higgs

# Composite Higgs Boson - Introduction

- **Higgs: bound state from a strongly interacting sector** Kaplan,Georgi;Dimopoulos eal;Dugan eal
- **SILH** effective low energy description, Higgs couplings modified by  $\xi = \frac{v^2}{f^2}$  Giudice,Grojean  
Pomarol,Rattazzi
- **Fermion couplings** depend on embedding into representations of the bulk symmetry Contino eal;  
Agashe eal

spinorial representations of  $SO(5)$

MCHM4

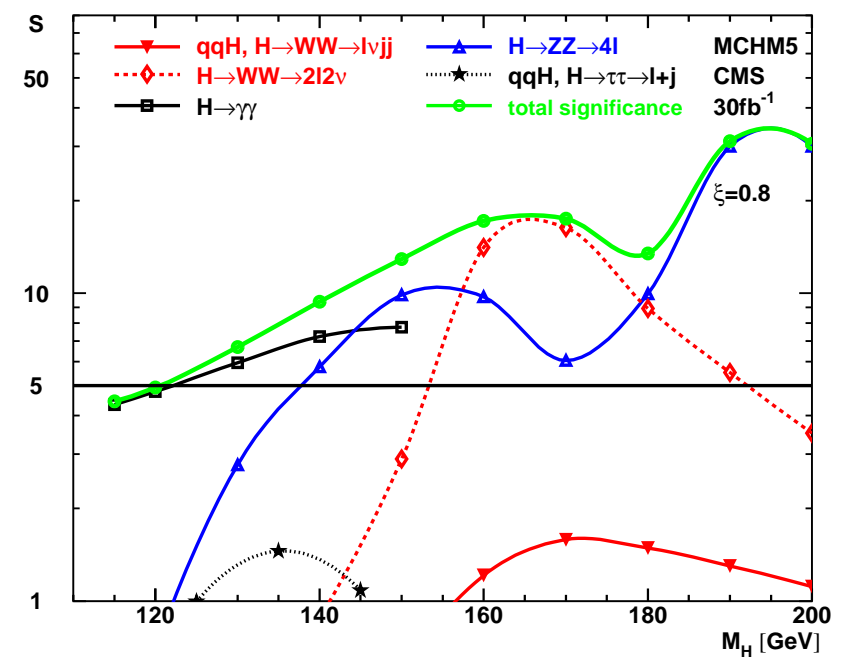
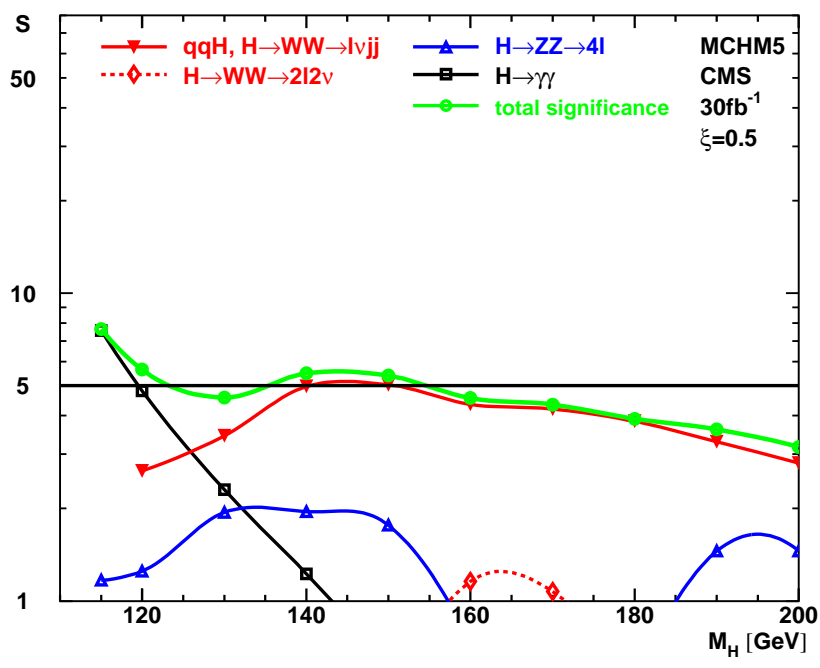
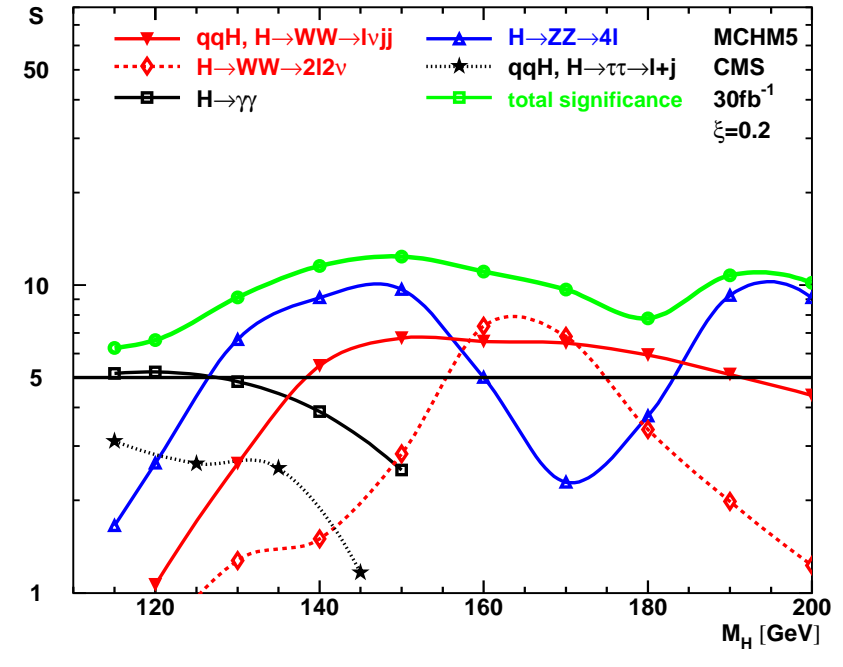
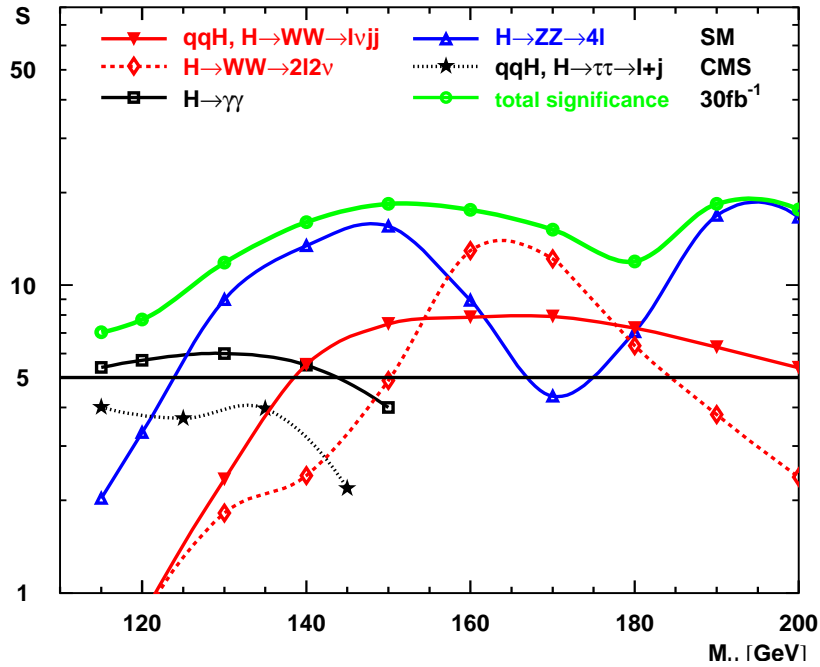
fundamental representations of  $SO(5)$

MCHM5

MCHM4	MCHM5
$g_{HVV} = g_{HVV}^{SM} \sqrt{1-\xi}$	$g_{HVV} = g_{HVV}^{SM} \sqrt{1-\xi}$
$g_{Hff} = g_{Hff}^{SM} \sqrt{1-\xi}$	$g_{Hff} = g_{Hff}^{SM} \frac{(1-2\xi)}{\sqrt{1-\xi}}$
universal factor $\rightsquigarrow$ BRs unchanged	$g_{Hff}$ coupling vanishes for $\xi = 0.5$

- **Impact on** BR's,  $\Gamma_{\text{tot}}$ , production cross sections, **Higgs searches at the LHC** Espinosa,Grojean,MMM  
( $gg$  fusion at NNLO Furlan '11)

# Significances MCHM5



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## Summary

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- ★ **Higgs discovery** one of the major LHC goals
- ★ **Discovery prospects at LHC** SM Higgs boson, at least one MSSM Higgs boson (light  $h$ )
- ★ **Higher order corrections** most (SUSY-)QCD and EW corrections are known  
remaining theoretical uncertainties:  $\sim 100\% \rightarrow \lesssim 15\%$
- ★ **LHC Higgs XS WG:** close collaboration between experimentalists and theorists
- ★ **New Physics extensions** Example: Composite Higgs  
discovery prospects significantly changed