



# Higgs pair production at the LHC SM and beyond

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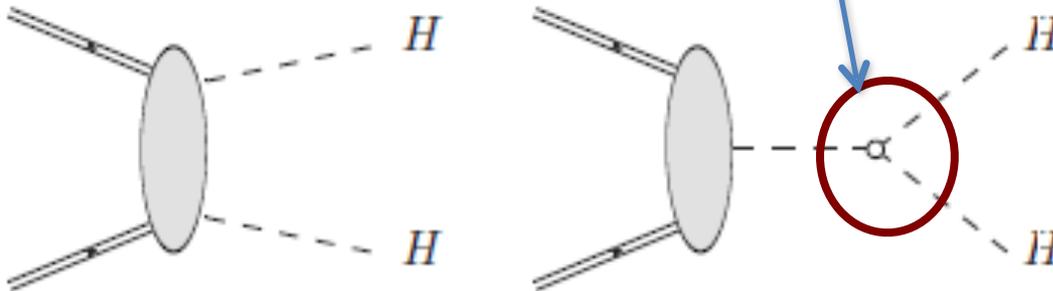
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# Motivation

- ◆ **Higgs self couplings: Not yet measured at the LHC**
- ◆ Higgs potential:

$$V(H) = \frac{1}{2} M_H^2 H^2 + \lambda_{HHH} v H^3 + \frac{1}{4} \lambda_{HHHH} H^4$$

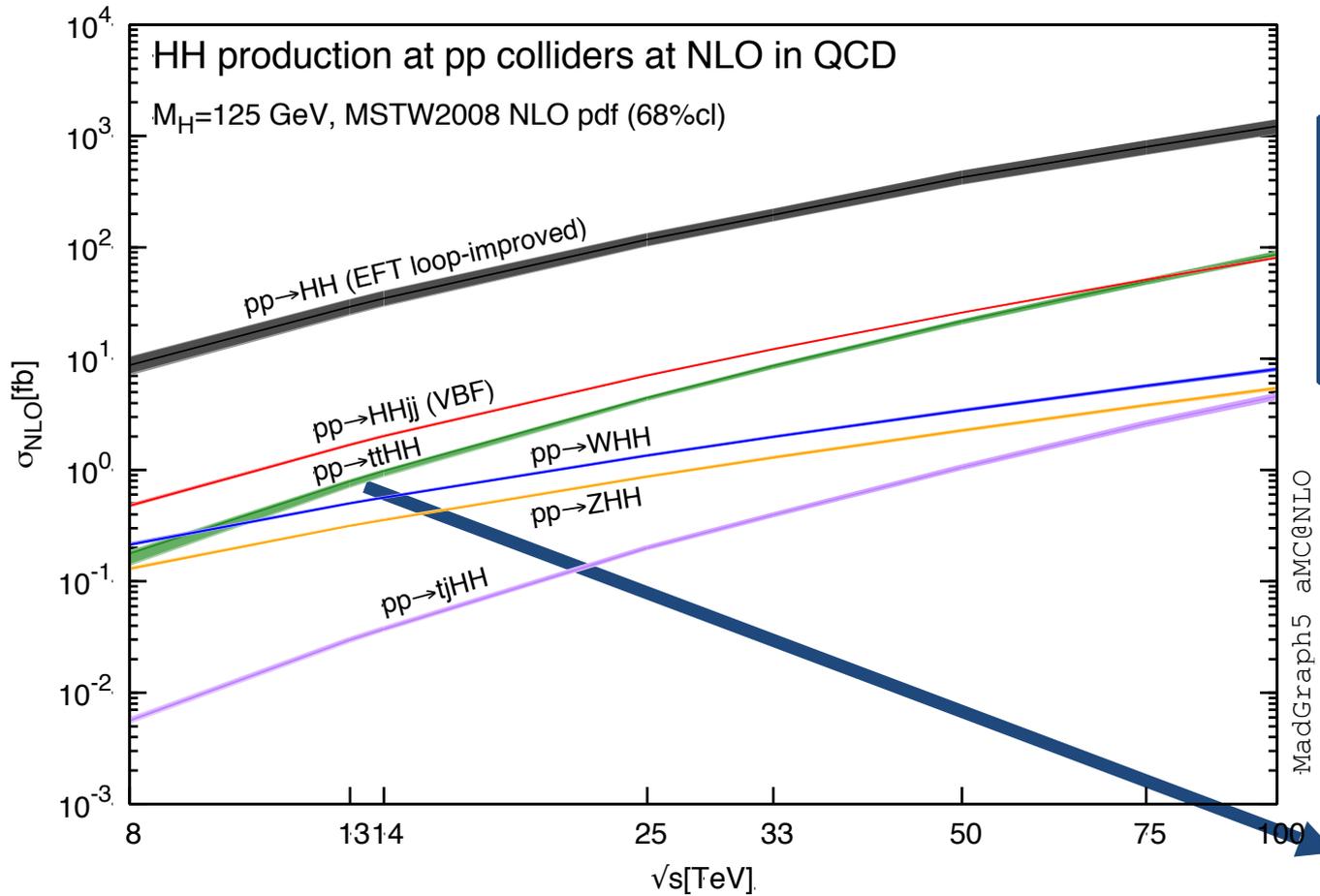


Triple Higgs production:  
 $\sigma < 0.1 \text{ fb}$  at 14 TeV

Fixed values  
 in the SM

$$\lambda_{HHH} = \lambda_{HHHH} = \frac{M_H^2}{2v^2}$$

# Higgs pair production at the LHC



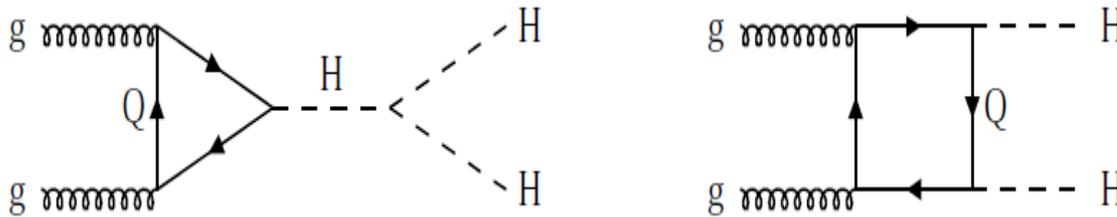
Gluon gluon fusion dominates  
 $\sigma \sim 35$  fb at 14 TeV

Vector boson associated production and  $ttHH$  hierarchy reversed compared to single Higgs production

Frederix et al. arxiv:1401.7340  
Publicly available in MG5\_aMC@NLO

See also Baglio et al. arxiv:1212.5581 for a survey of all channels

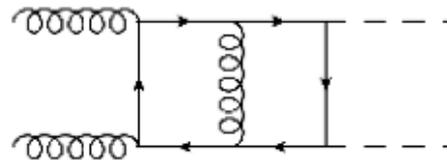
# HH in gluon-gluon fusion



**Biggest cross section  
Loop-Induced**

Glover, Van der Bij Nucl.Phys. B309 (1988) 282  
 Plehn, Spira, Zerwas, Nucl.Phys. B479 (1996) 46

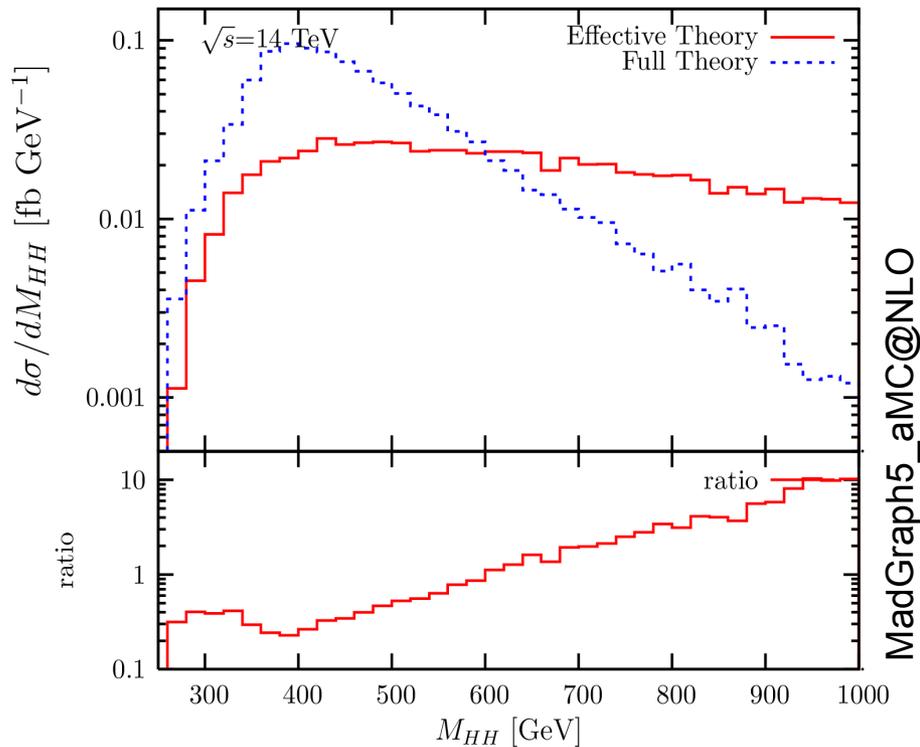
- ❖ Exact NLO computation requires:
  - ❖ Real emissions: HHj one loop ✓
  - ❖ Virtual corrections: Include 2-loop amplitudes ✗



- ❖ NLO results in the HEFT:
  - ❖ Dawson, Dittmaier, Spira hep-ph/9805244
  - ❖ Improved by exact LO contribution
- ❖ NNLO results in the HEFT : De Florian and Mazzitelli, arXiv:1309.6594, Grigo et al, arXiv:1408.2422

# HEFT approach in HH production

How well does the HEFT work for HH?



10-20% difference for the total cross section

HEFT fails to reproduce the differential distributions

Top mass effects are important and need to be included

Higher order HEFT computations use the exact LO contribution: using the EFT k-factor

$$\sigma_{HEFT}^{NLO} / \sigma_{HEFT}^{LO} \times \sigma_{FT}^{LO}$$

at the differential level: matrix elements ratio

$$\mathcal{B}_{FT} / \mathcal{B}_{HEFT}$$

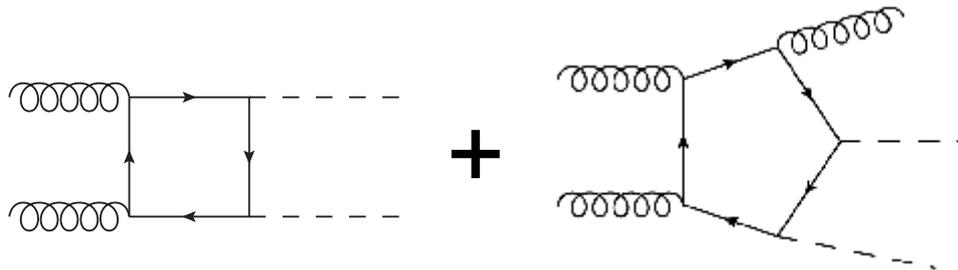
# NLO HH production: A step further

Available information:

Exact real emission matrix elements

Virtual corrections in the HEFT-rescaled by the exact born

- Within the MG5\_aMC@NLO framework:
  - HEFT UFO model allows us to generate events at NLO
  - MadLoop can perform the computation of the exact one-loop matrix elements: born and real-emission

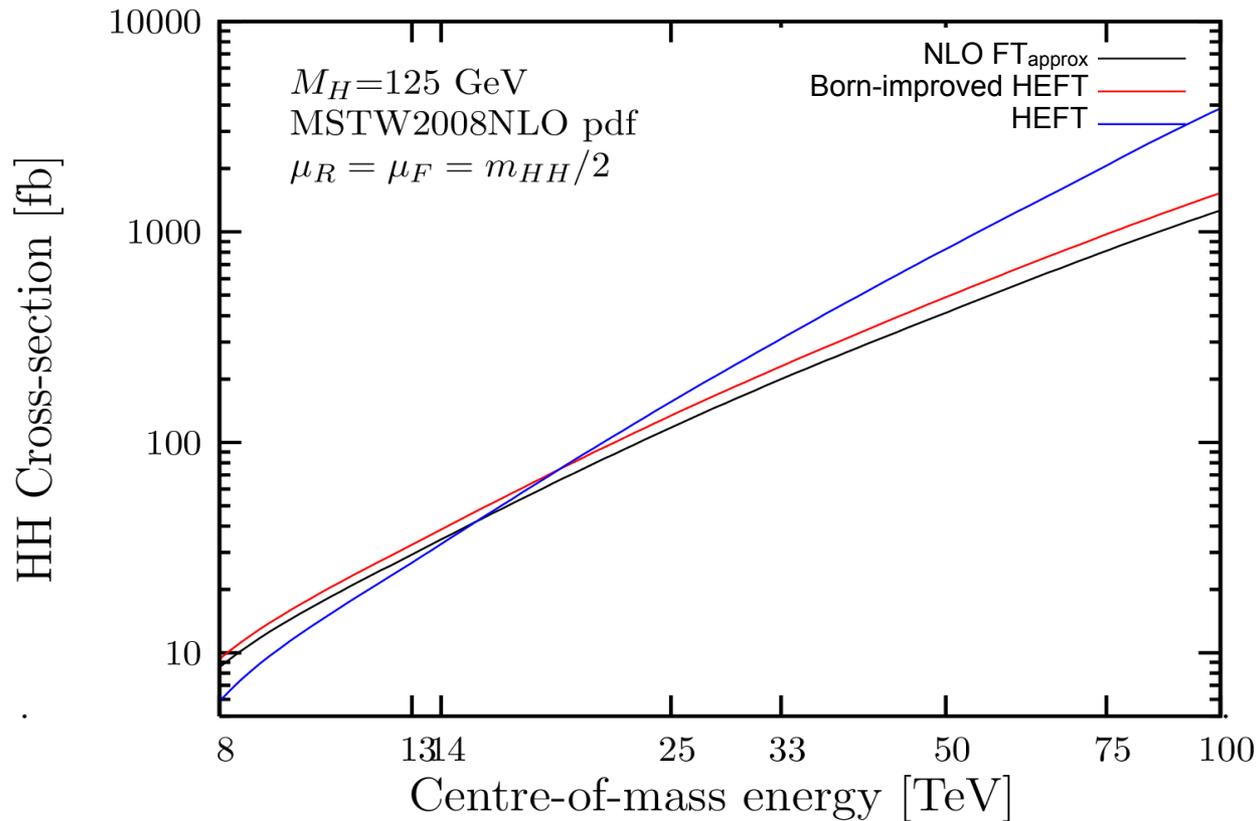


- Event by event basis reweighting: Fully differential
- Better description of hard emissions
- Matching to parton showers with the MC@NLO method

**arxiv:1401.7340 and 1408.6542**



# Results: Total cross section for HH



Comparing:

- NLO  $FT_{\text{approx}}$  (exact real-approximate virtuals)
- Born-improved HEFT
- NLO HEFT

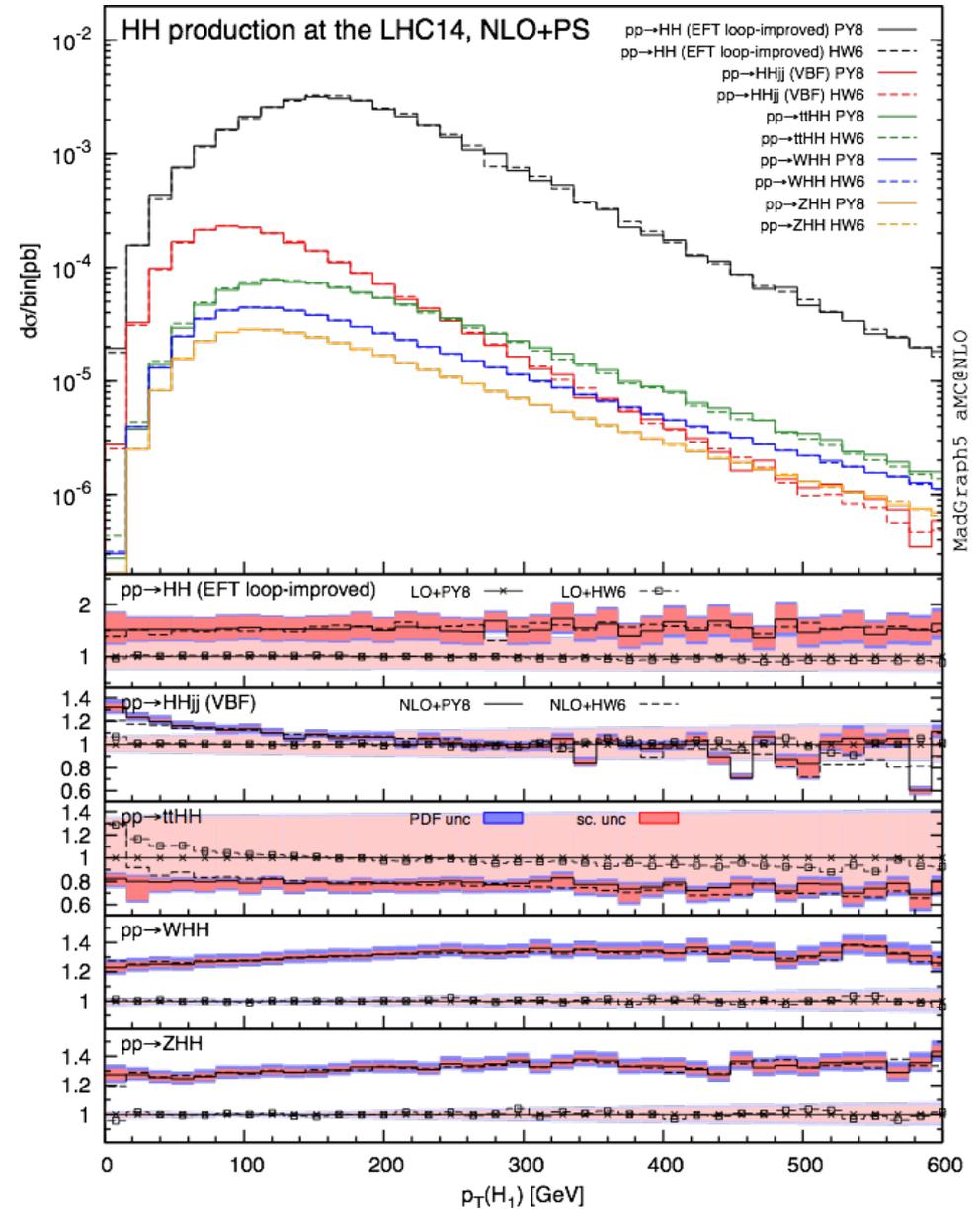
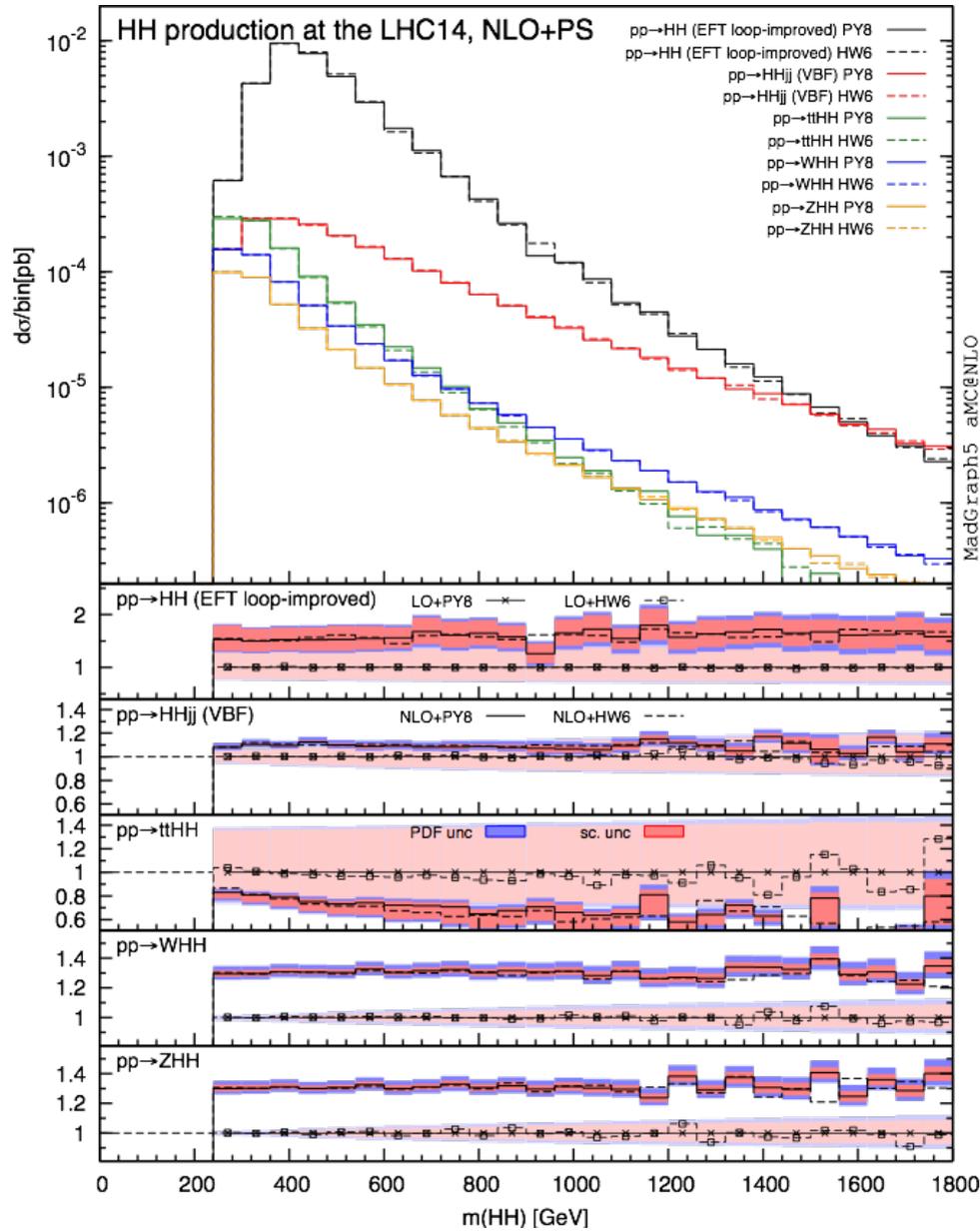
► Reduction of the cross section by about 10% compared to the Born-improved results at 14 TeV

## Results at 14 TeV [fb]

LO	FT, $\Gamma_t = 0 \text{ GeV}$	$23.2^{+32.3+2.0\%}_{-22.9-2.3\%}$
	FT, $\Gamma_t = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$	$22.7^{+32.3+2.0\%}_{-22.9-2.3\%}$
NLO	HEFT	$32.9^{+18.1+2.9\%}_{-15.5-3.7\%}$
	HEFT Born-improved	$38.5^{+18.4+2.0\%}_{-15.1-2.4\%}$
	$FT_{\text{approx}}$ (virtuals: Born-rescaled HEFT)	$34.3^{+15.0+1.5\%}_{-13.4-2.4\%}$

2%: Use of Complex-Mass-Scheme  
Finite top width

10% : Exact real emission amplitudes



NLO plus PS: all channels

# SM HH Outlook

- Top mass effects are important:  $\sim 10\%$  uncertainty due to missing top mass effects (see also previous talk and results in arXiv:1305.7340, arXiv:1508.00909)

**Exact NLO calculation computation needed**

**Ongoing work to extract the 2-loop amplitudes both analytically and numerically**

## Next step:

- Phenomenology with a  $\sim 40\text{fb}$  (gluon fusion) cross-section
- Which are the promising decay channels to observe the process?
  - $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  (1212.5581),  $b\bar{b}\tau\tau$  (1206.5001, 1212.5581),  $b\bar{b}WW$  (1209.1489, 1212.5581),  $b\bar{b}bb$  (1404.7139)
- Recent progress achieved with boosted techniques
- Prospects for the measurement of the trilinear Higgs coupling at the LHC?
  - Optimistic estimate of 30% accuracy with  $3000\text{ fb}^{-1}$  at 14 TeV (arxiv:1404.7139)
- Prospects in other channels?  $t\bar{t}HH$ : 1409.8074, VBF: 1506.08008

# Higgs pair production beyond the SM

BSM physics  
enhancements

New particles  
Resonances

Higher  
dimension  
operators

- Non SM Yukawa couplings (1205.5444, 1206.6663)
- $ttHH$  interactions (1205.5444)
- Resonances from extra dimensions (1303.6636)
- Vector-like quarks (1009.4670, 1206.6663)
- Light coloured scalars (1207.4496, 1504.05596)
- Dimension-6 operators (hep-ph/0609049, 1410.3471, 1502.00539, 1504.06577)
- Higgs Singlet Model (1508.05397)

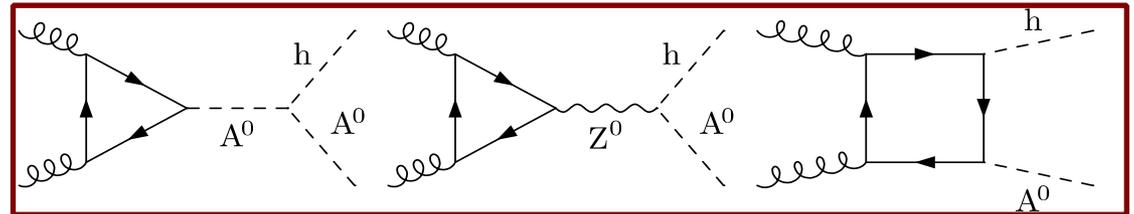
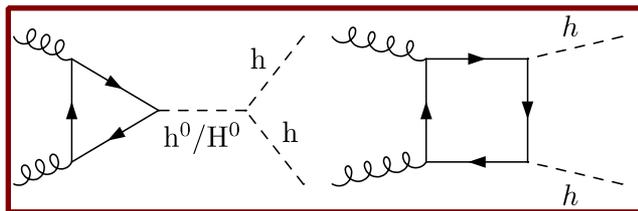
# Higgs pair production in the 2HDM

## 2HDM: Additional Higgs doublet

h light CP even  
 H heavy CP even  
 A CP odd  
 H<sup>+</sup> H<sup>-</sup> Charged

Type-I and Type-II setups  
 2HDM input:  
 $\tan\beta, \sin\alpha, m_h, m_H, m_A, m_{H^\pm}, m_{12}^2$

## Pair production in gluon fusion



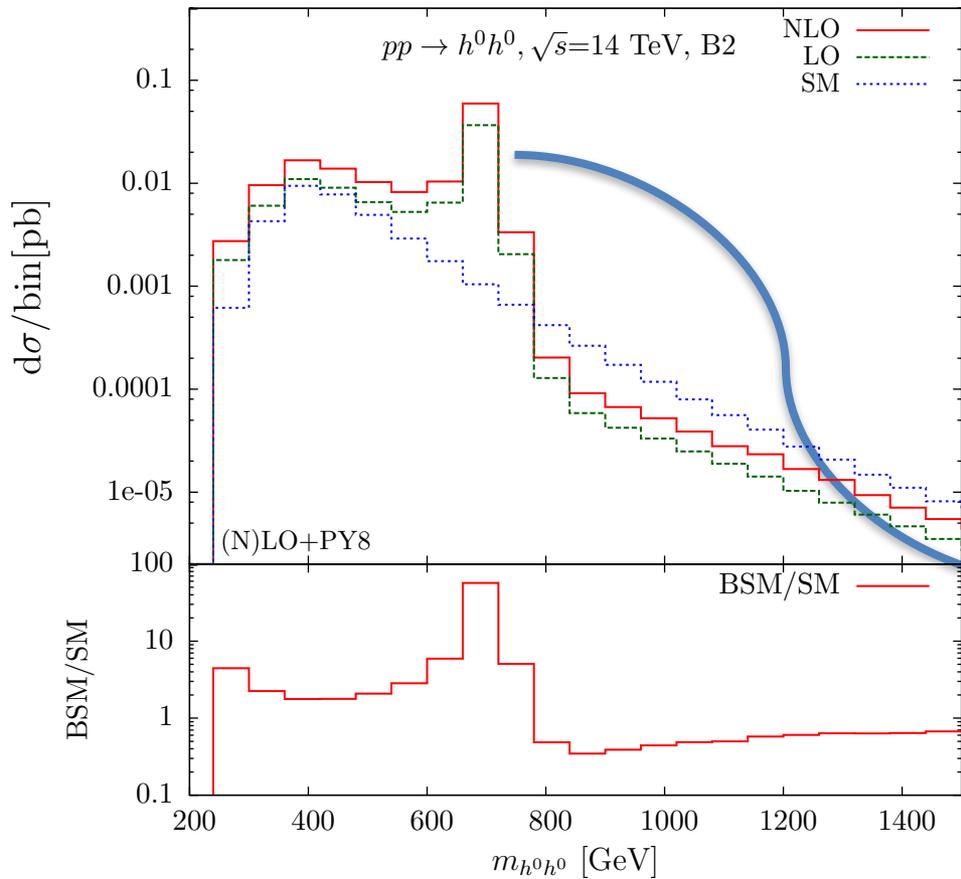
hh hH HH hA HA AA H<sup>+</sup>H<sup>-</sup>

Computation within the MG5\_aMC@NLO framework arxiv:1407.0281  
 2HDM implementation using NLOCT arxiv:1406.3030

# Light Higgs pair production

## Resonant 2HDM scenario

2HDM input: Type-ii



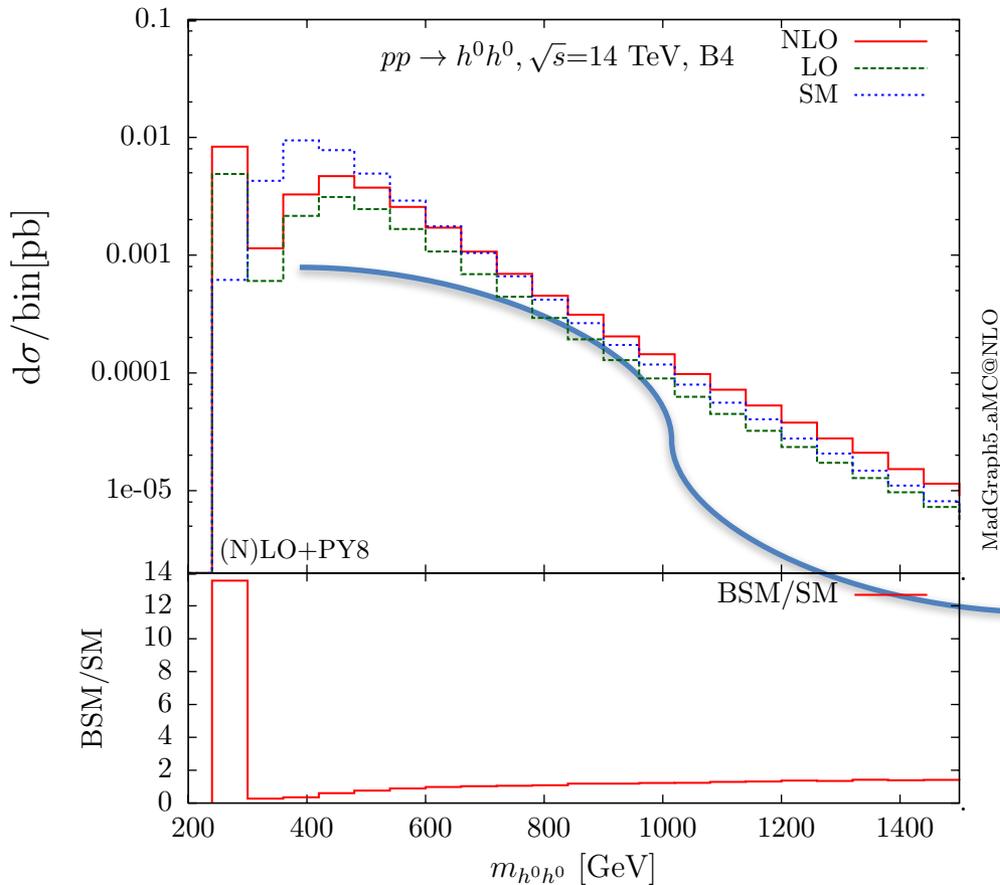
	$\tan \beta$	$\alpha/\pi$	$m_{H^0}$	$m_{A^0}$	$m_{H^\pm}$	$m_{12}^2$
B2	1.50	-0.2162	700	701	670	180000

- ◆ Slightly reduced top Yukawa
- ◆ Reduced hhh coupling
- ◆ Enhanced Hhh coupling
- ❖ Significant resonant enhancement from  $H \rightarrow hh$
- ❖ Distinctive resonance peak
- ❖ Bigger enhancements can be achieved with smaller H masses
- ❖ See also Baglio et al. arxiv: 1403.1264

$\sigma_{hh} \sim 4$  times the SM prediction

# Light Higgs pair production

## Non-resonant 2HDM scenario



### 2HDM input: Type-i

	$\tan \beta$	$\alpha/\pi$	$m_{H^0}$	$m_{A^0}$	$m_{H^\pm}$	$m_{12}^2$
B4	1.20	-0.1760	200	500	500	-60000

- ◆ Slightly enhanced top Yukawa
- ◆ Enhanced hhh coupling
- ◆ Enhanced Hhh coupling
- ❖ Heavy Higgs mass below the hh threshold: No resonant enhancement
- ❖ Interference between different contributions leads to a different shape compared to the SM
- ❖ Important to study the distributions

$\sigma_{hh} \sim 30\%$  reduction of the SM prediction

# Conclusions

- Higgs pair production key to the measurement of triple Higgs coupling
- MC implementation of the process at approximate NLO using the exact real emission amplitudes, provided in `MG5_aMC@NLO`
- Results can now be used for phenomenological studies including decays to identify the most promising channels
- HH can be a window to New Physics
- 2HDM an attractive framework to study the process: Computation for all pair of Higgs bosons in gluon fusion
- Light Higgs pair production can receive significant total rate enhancements due to resonant heavy Higgs production

**Thanks for your attention...**