

# $W^+W^- + \text{jet}$ – compact analytic results

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# $WW$ + jet: Motivation from experiment

## $WW$ [+jet(s)] at the LHC

- Measurement of  **$WW$  production cross section** [e.g. ATLAS, JHEP01(2015)049; CMS, Phys. Lett. B 721 (2013)]
- $h \rightarrow WW$  measurement [e.g. ATLAS, arXiv:1503.01060; CMS, JHEP01 (2014) 096]
- **spin-/ parity determination** of Higgs [e.g. ATLAS, EPJC75 (2015) 231; CMS, arXiv:1411.3441]
- limits on **anomalous couplings** [e.g. ATLAS, Phys. Rev. D 87, 112001 (2013); CMS, arXiv: 1411.3441]
- background for **BSM searches** (e.g. heavy scalars) [e.g. ATLAS, ATLAS-CONF-2013-067; CMS, arXiv:1504.00936]
- ...
- **K-factors**  $\sim 1.2 - 1.8$  [depending on analysis details, cuts, etc...]

in more detail...

## Process we are interested in

$$pp \rightarrow W^+ W^- \text{jet} \rightarrow (\ell \bar{\nu}_\ell) (\bar{\ell}' \nu_{\ell'}) \text{jet}$$

at NLO, offshell W's, spin correlations

- **previous results:** Campbell, Ellis, Zanderighi [CEZ] (2007); Dittmaier, Kallweit, Uwer [DKU] (2008/ 2010), Sanguinetti/ Karg [BGKKS] (2008)
- **together with shower merging/ matching:** Cascioli ea (2014) in Sherpa/ OpenLoops framework
- also **"ad hoc" available from automatized tools** (personally tested: MG5/aMC@NLO, others probably similar...)

⇒ our approach: use **unitarity-based techniques**, derive **completely analytic expressions**

- tool/ user-interface: ⇒ **implementation in MCFM**

## Unitary methods: basic idea

$$\mathcal{A}(\{p_i\}) = \sum_j d_j I_4^j + \sum_j c_j I_3^j + \sum_j b_j I_2^j + R.$$

- ⇒ know that all one-loop calculations can be reduced to **integral basis, + rational terms** [Passarino, Veltman, '78]
- ⇒ idea: **project out coefficients in front of basis integrals by putting momenta in the loop on mass shell**  
(Bern, Dixon, Dunbar, Kosower ('94); Britto, Cachazo, Feng ('04))
- putting 2/3/4 particles on their mass shell projects out coefficients of a **bubble/ triangle/ box** contribution

# Unitarity methods: purely analytic approaches

- as you start with a  $d(4)$ -dimensional loop integral, **cutting 4 legs is easier than cutting 2**
- **boxes**  $\Rightarrow$  straightforward, using **quadruple cuts with complex momenta (BCF)**
- **triangles**  $\Rightarrow$  relatively straightforward, using **Fordes method**
- **bubbles\***  $\Rightarrow$  can get quite complicated, use **spinor integration (BBCF)**
- **rational parts**  $\Rightarrow$  long but OK, use **effective mass term (Badger)**

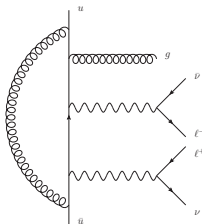
[\* available in process-independent librarized format]

# WWj @ NLO in more detail

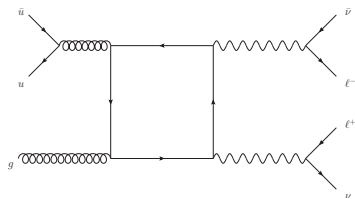
We consider

$$q \bar{q} \rightarrow W^+ W^- g \quad [+ \text{permutations}]$$

**diagram classes**



(a)



(b)

[+ diagrams for  $q \bar{q} \rightarrow (Z/\gamma) g \rightarrow \dots$ ]

## Coefficients: three-massive box

$$d_4(s_{56}, s_{34}, 0, s_{17}; s_{127}, s_{234}) = \frac{1}{s_{34} - m_W^2} \frac{1}{s_{56} - m_W^2} \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^2 [2|P|2]}{\langle 27 \rangle \langle 17 \rangle} \times \\ \left( [42] - \frac{\langle 2|P|4 \rangle}{D_1} \right) \left( \langle 3|2 + 4|6 \rangle - \frac{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|P|6 \rangle}{D_1} \right) \left( \frac{[71] \langle 15 \rangle}{\langle 2|P|7 \rangle} + \frac{\langle 25 \rangle}{D_1} \right)$$

$$P = s_{17} p_{34} + s_{234} p_{17}, \quad D_2 = [2|(3+4)(1+7)|2], \quad D_1 = \langle 2|(3+4)(1+7)|2 \rangle$$

- in principle: also contributions with **second denominator**  
 $D_2 = [2|(3+4)(1+7)|2]$  (here: =0)
- $D_1 D_2 \sim$  Gram determinant

## Implementation: in practise

- ⇒ **fully implemented in MCFM framework**, i.e. in combination with Born, real radiation, ...
- ⇒ **MCFM output** (distributions/ cuts implementation/ interfaces/ etc...)
- in practise: **handling of expressions** ⇒ **S@M** [Maitre, Mastrolia, 2007]  
[comment: also implemented in **multi-core version** [Campbell, Ellis, Giele, 2015], **now standard**]

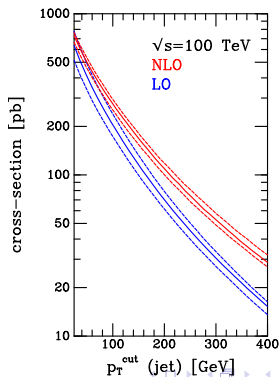
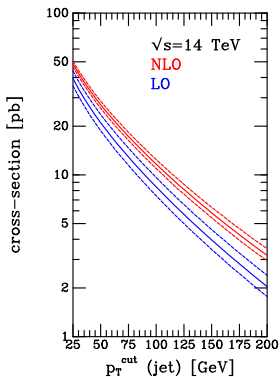
**many cross checks: overall agreement:  
amplitude/ coefficient level:  $10^{-6}$  or better  
cross section level: always within integration errors**





# Phenomenology: total cross sections, as function of $p_{T,jet}^{cut}$

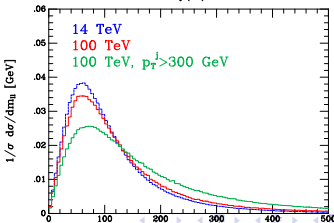
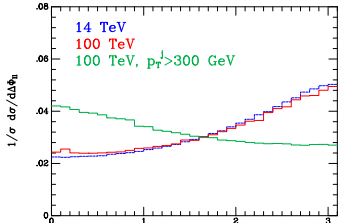
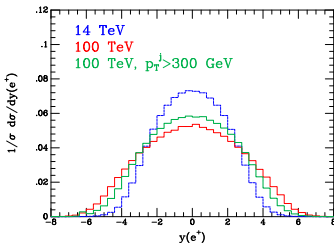
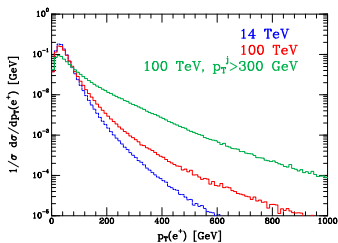
$\sqrt{s}$	$\sigma_{LO}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{NLO}$ [pb]
13 TeV	34.9 (-11.0%, +11.4%)	42.9 (-3.7%, +3.7%)
14 TeV	39.5 (-11.0%, +11.7%)	48.6 (-4.0%, +3.8%)
100 TeV	648 (-19.3%, +22.3%)	740 (-9.3%, +4.5%)



# More phenomenology: differential distributions at 14 and 100 TeV

[More on this at QCD, EW and tools @ 100 TeV WS/ CERN next week...]

$$\sigma_{\text{LO}} \sim 40 / 650 / 30 \text{ pb, K-factors} \sim 1.23 / 1.14 / 1.77$$



# Summary and outlook

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow W^+ W^- g$$

**available and implemented in MCFM**, running, rendering stable results [prerelease available upon request]

- virtual contributions: calculated using **unitarity methods**  $\Rightarrow$  **available in analytic format**
- $\Rightarrow$  **extensively tested** on coefficient, amplitude, and cross section level  $\checkmark$
- $\Rightarrow$  **important ingredient for NNLO calculations**, ready to be used
- $\Rightarrow$  obviously, **similarly useful for stand alone NLO calculations**
- provided sample applications for typical **Higgs spin/ parity studies @ 14 TeV, heavy scalar searches @ 100 TeVpp colliders**

# Appendix

# Previous NLO calculations in the SM using analytic expressions from unitarity methods in MCFM

## ... on the amplitude level ...

- $ee \rightarrow 4$  **quarks**: Bern, Dixon, Kosower, Weinzierl (1996); Bern, Dixon, Kosower (1997)
- **Higgs and four partons** (in various configurations): Dixon, Sofianatos (2009); Badger, Glover, Mastrolia, Williams (2009); Badger, Campbell, Ellis, Williams (2009)
- $t\bar{t}$  **production**: Badger, Sattler, Yundin (2011)

## ... generalized unitarity implemented ...

- **Higgs + 2 jets** Campbell, Ellis, Williams (2010)
- **W + 2 b-jets** Badger, Campbell, Ellis (2011)
- $gg \rightarrow WW$  Campbell, Ellis, Williams (2011, 2014)
- $\gamma\gamma\gamma$  Campbell, Williams (2014)
- $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$  Dennen, Williams (2014)

	(a)	(b)
boxes	13	1
triangles	8	4
bubbles	18	2
rational	13	5

Table : **Number of independent** (via singularity structure and/ or symmetries) **coefficients** [neglecting contributions from Z/ $\gamma$  current]

- involving **1,2,3-mass boxes and triangles**,
- **bubbles: 16 different underlying structures**, involving (0/1/2) quadratic poles, e.g. [terms before spinor integration]

$$\frac{[la]^2 [lb] [lc]}{[ld][le] \langle lP|l \rangle^4}, \frac{[la] [lb] [lc]}{\langle lP|l \rangle^4 \langle lQ|l \rangle}, \frac{[la] [lb] [lc] [ld]}{\langle lP|l \rangle^4 \langle lQ|l \rangle \langle lQ_2|l \rangle}, \dots$$

# Coefficients: easiest bubble and triangle

$$I_2^{\text{LC}}(s_{156}) \sim$$

$$\frac{\langle 65 \rangle [43]}{\langle 27 \rangle} \times \left\{ \frac{\langle 73 \rangle^2 \langle 7|P|6 \rangle [76]}{\langle 7|P|1 \rangle \langle 7|P|7 \rangle} \left[ \frac{1}{\langle 7|P|7 \rangle} \left( \frac{[7|P|3 \rangle}{\langle 37 \rangle} + \frac{[76] s_{156}}{2 \langle 7|P|6 \rangle} \right) + \frac{[1|P|3 \rangle}{\langle 37 \rangle [1|P|7 \rangle} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - \frac{\langle 15 \rangle [56] [1|P|3 \rangle^2}{s_{156} \langle 1|P|1 \rangle [1|P|7 \rangle} \left[ \frac{\langle 15 \rangle [56]}{2 \langle 1|P|1 \rangle} + \frac{\langle 7|P|6 \rangle}{[1|P|7 \rangle} \right] \right\}, \quad P = p_{156}$$

$$I_3^{\text{LC}}(s_{34}, s_{27}, s_{156}) \sim \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\gamma=\gamma_{1,2}} \frac{s_{27} [4K_2^b] [72] [65] \langle K_1^b 2 \rangle \langle K_1^b 3 \rangle \langle 15 \rangle^2}{(\gamma - s_{27}) [7K_2^b] \langle K_1^b 1 \rangle \langle K_1^b 7 \rangle \langle 27 \rangle}$$

where

$$K_1^b = \frac{\gamma [p_{27} + s_{27} p_{34}]}{\gamma^2 - s_{27} s_{34}}, \quad K_2^b = -\frac{\gamma [p_{34} + s_{34} p_{27}]}{\gamma^2 - s_{27} s_{34}}, \\ \gamma_{1,2} = p_{27} \cdot p_{34} \pm \sqrt{(p_{27} \cdot p_{34})^2 - s_{27} s_{34}}$$

## Cross checks

- on the **amplitude as well as coefficient level**, i.e. for several ( $\sim 20 - 30$ ) single phase space points against code using D-dimensional unitarity (Ellis, Giele, Kunszt, Melnikov, 2009)
- for a **single phase space point as well as total cross section** against comparison in Les Houches proceedings, arXiv:0803.0494 (comparison CEZ, DKU, BGKKS)
- for the latter, also **independent MG5/aMC@NLO run**

**overall agreement:**  
**amplitude/ coefficient level:  $10^{-6}$  or better**  
**cross section level: always within integration errors**





## Phenomenology

- **total cross section** as a function of  $p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{cut}}$  for pp collisions @ **13/ 14/ 100 TeV**
- **differential distributions**, including more specific cuts
- ... for **spin- parity determination of Higgs @ 14 TeV**
- ... for **searches of extra heavy scalars @ 100 TeV**

jet definitions: anti- $k_T$ ,  $p_T^{\text{jet}} > 25 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta^{\text{jet}}| < 4.5$ ,  $R = 0.5$

scales:  $\mu_R = \mu_F = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i p_T^i$

## More phenomenology: specific studies as background

- e.g. **spin/ parity determination of SM Higgs** (ATLAS, 1503.03643)  $\Rightarrow$  @ 14 TeV
- e.g. **searches for additional scalars at high masses** (CMS, 1504.00936)  $\Rightarrow$  @ 100 TeV

with cuts roughly following above studies...

### Results

order	cm energy	no cuts	K	cuts	K
LO	14 TeV	462.0(2)fb		67.12(4)fb	
NLO	14 TeV	568.4(2)fb	1.23	83.91(5)	1.25
LO	100 TeV	6815(1)fb		1237(1)fb	
NLO	100 TeV	7939(5)	1.16	1471(1)fb	1.19

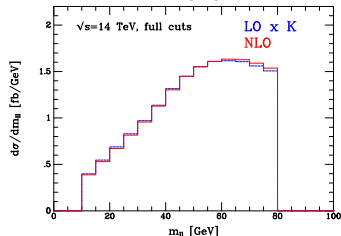
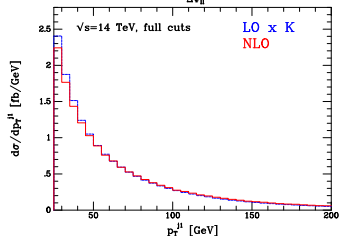
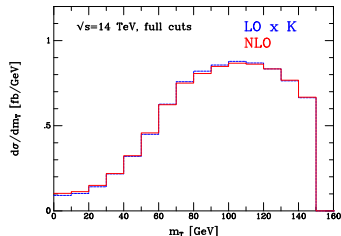
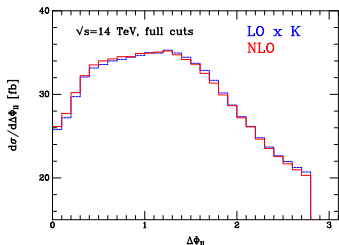
# Cuts

variable	14 TeVanalysis	100 TeVanalysis
$p_{\perp,j}$	$> 25 \text{ GeV}$	30 GeV
$ \eta_j $	$< 4.5$	4.5
$\eta_\ell$	$\leq 2.5$	2.5
$p_{\perp,\ell_1}$	$> 22 \text{ GeV}$	50 GeV
$p_{\perp,\ell_2}$	$> 15 \text{ GeV}$	10 GeV
$m_{\ell\ell}$	$\in [10; 80] \text{ GeV}$	–
$p_{\perp}^{\text{miss}}$	$> 20 \text{ GeV}$	20 GeV
$\Delta\Phi_{\ell\ell}$	$< 2.8$	
$m_T$	$\leq 150 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 80 \text{ GeV}$
$\max[m_T^{\ell_1}, m_T^{\ell_2}]$	$> 50 \text{ GeV}$	–

$$[m_T^2 = 2 p_T^{\ell\ell} E_T^{\text{miss}} (1 - \cos \Delta\Phi(\vec{p}_T^{\ell\ell}, \vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}}))]$$

# Results for 14 TeV after all cuts

$$\sigma_{\text{LO}} = 67.128(30)\text{fb}; \quad \sigma_{\text{NLO}} = 83.923(47)\text{fb}$$



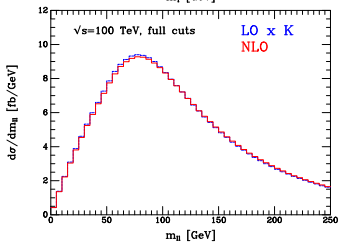
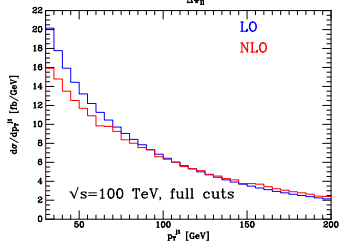
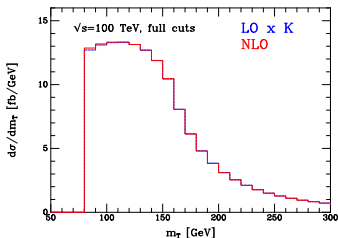
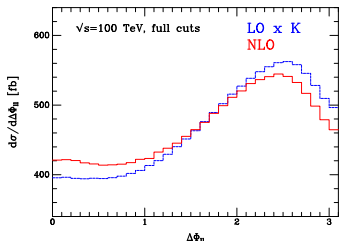
[plot:  $\sigma_{\text{LO}} \times K$ ]

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# Results for 100 TeV after all cuts

$$\sigma_{\text{LO}} = 1237.2(4)\text{fb}; \quad \sigma_{\text{NLO}} = 1472.0(7)\text{fb}$$



[plot:  $\sigma_{\text{LO}} \times K$ ]

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# One slide of self-commercial

- calculation of **bubble-coefficients: process-independent**
- ⇒ **mathematica-based library**, with (all) librarised poles for  $\sim 20$  different structures
- ⇒ can **apply these completely straightforward to any other calculation** where the same structures appear in bubble (and can also obviously extend this)
- current interface: **me**
- future plan: **make public** in librarized format

**all tested (✓)**

but obviously not every possible structure available at the moment

# Basis integrals, type (a)

$D^{(1)}$	$I_4(0, 0, s_{56}, s_{234}; s_{17}, s_{156})$
$D^{(2)}$	$I_4(s_{34}, s_{56}, 0, s_{27}; s_{127}, s_{156})$
$D^{(3)}$	$I_4(0, 0, s_{34}, s_{156}; s_{27}, s_{234})$
$D^{(4)}$	$I_4(s_{56}, s_{34}, 0, s_{17}; s_{127}, s_{234})$
$D^{(5)}$	$I_4(0, 0, 0, s_{127}; s_{17}, s_{27})$
$C^{(1)}$	$I_3(0, s_{234}, s_{156})$
$C^{(2)}$	$I_3(s_{56}, s_{17}, s_{234})$
$C^{(3)}$	$I_3(s_{34}, s_{27}, s_{156})$
$C^{(4)}$	$I_3(0, s_{27}, s_{127})$
$C^{(5)}$	$I_3(0, s_{17}, s_{127})$
$C^{(6)}$	$I_3(0, 0, s_{17})$
$C^{(7)}$	$I_3(0, s_{56}, s_{156})$
$C^{(8)}$	$I_3(s_{56}, s_{34}, s_{127})$
$C^{(9)}$	$I_3(0, 0, s_{27})$
$C^{(10)}$	$I_3(0, s_{34}, s_{234})$
$B^{(1)}$	$I_2(s_{156})$
$B^{(2)}$	$I_2(s_{234})$
$B^{(3)}$	$I_2(s_{56})$
$B^{(4)}$	$I_2(s_{17})$
$B^{(5)}$	$I_2(s_{34})$
$B^{(6)}$	$I_2(s_{127})$

$D^{(6)}$	$I_4(s_{56}, s_{34}, 0, s_{17}; s_{127}, s_{234})$
$D^{(7)}$	$I_4(0, 0, 0, s_{127}; s_{27}, s_{12})$
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$D^{(9)}$	$I_4(s_{34}, 0, 0, s_{567}; s_{234}, s_{12})$
$D^{(10)}$	$I_4(s_{34}, s_{12}, s_{56}, 0; s_{567}, s_{347})$
$D^{(11)}$	$I_4(0, 0, s_{56}, s_{347}; s_{12}, s_{156})$
$D^{(12)}$	$I_4(s_{34}, s_{12}, 0, s_{56}; s_{567}, s_{127})$
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$C^{(14)}$	$I_3(0, s_{347}, s_{156})$
$C^{(15)}$	$I_3(0, s_{127}, s_{12})$
$C^{(16)}$	$I_3(0, 0, s_{12})$
$C^{(17)}$	$I_3(s_{34}, s_{567}, s_{12})$
$C^{(18)}$	$I_3(s_{56}, s_{347}, s_{12})$
$B^{(7)}$	$I_2(s_{567})$
$B^{(8)}$	$I_2(s_{347})$
$B^{(9)}$	$I_2(s_{12})$

**Table** : scalar integrals of type (a) *left* leading colour and *right* additional subleading color amplitude.

## Basis integrals, type (b)

$D^{(10)}$	$I_4(s_{34}, s_{12}, s_{56}, 0; s_{567}, s_{347})$
$D^{(12)}$	$I_4(s_{34}, s_{12}, 0, s_{56}; s_{567}, s_{127})$
$D^{(13)}$	$I_4(0, s_{12}, s_{56}, s_{34}; s_{127}, s_{347})$
$C^{(8)}$	$I_3(0, s_{56}, s_{567})$
$C^{(10)}$	$I_3(s_{56}, s_{34}, s_{127})$
$C^{(13)}$	$I_3(0, s_{34}, s_{347})$
$C^{(15)}$	$I_3(0, s_{127}, s_{12})$
$C^{(17)}$	$I_3(s_{34}, s_{567}, s_{12})$
$C^{(18)}$	$I_3(s_{56}, s_{347}, s_{12})$
$B^{(3)}$	$I_2(s_{56})$
$B^{(5)}$	$I_2(s_{34})$
$B^{(6)}$	$I_2(s_{127})$
$B^{(7)}$	$I_2(s_{567})$
$B^{(8)}$	$I_2(s_{347})$
$B^{(9)}$	$I_2(s_{12})$

**Table :** Definitions of the scalar integrals that appear in the calculation of the diagrams of type (b), leading colour only.



## Appearance of quadratic poles/ square roots

- have a cut leading to a propagator  $\sim \frac{1}{s_{\ell_1 p}}$ , where  $p^2 \neq 0$  (e.g.  $p = p_1 + p_2$ )
- for spinor integration  $\ell_1 \rightarrow \frac{P^2}{[\ell|P|\ell]} \ell$ , where  $P$  is momentum over the cut
- i.e., use

$$s_{\ell_1, p} = \langle \ell_1 | \not{p} | \ell_1 \rangle + p^2 \rightarrow \frac{P^2 \langle \ell | \not{p} | \ell \rangle}{\langle \ell | \not{P} | \ell \rangle} + p^2 = \frac{\langle \ell | \not{Q} | \ell \rangle}{\langle \ell | \not{P} | \ell \rangle},$$

- contributions often appear together with factors  $\sim \frac{1}{[\ell|P|\ell]}$
- $\Rightarrow$  contains poles  $\sim \frac{1}{\langle \ell | PQ | \ell \rangle}$
- leads to two possible solutions for  $|\ell\rangle$  where  $\langle \ell | PQ | \ell \rangle = 0$  (pole)

# Electroweak parameters

$m_W$	80.385 GeV	$\Gamma_W$	2.085 GeV
$m_Z$	91.1876 GeV	$\Gamma_Z$	2.4952 GeV
$e^2$	0.095032	$g_W^2$	0.42635
$\sin^2 \theta_W$	0.22290	$G_F$	$0.116638 \times 10^{-4}$

# Effect of neglecting diagrams containing Higgs/ diagrams with top loops

- in MG5/aMC@NLO: top and Higgs included
- check: run with  $m_t m_H \times 10$  (100)
- results

calculation	parameters	$\sigma^{\text{NLO}}$ [pb]
MCFM	default	14.571 (18)
MG5	default	14.547 (19)
MG5	$m_h \times 10, m_t \times 10$	14.615 (21)
MG5	$m_h \times 100, m_t \times 100$	14.563 (19)
DKU	default	14.678 (10)

## Other (related) (reduction) methods [non-exhaustive listing]

- **purely analytic: generalized unitarity** [Britto, (Buchbinder), Cachazo, Feng (2005, 2006); Britto, Feng, Mastroia (2006), Forde (2007), Badger (2009), Mastroia (2009), ...]
- other approaches: **recursion/ reduction methods** [Berends, Giele (1987); del Aguila, Pitta (2004); Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau (2006)]
- **numerical implementations** in many (publicly available) codes: (in order of appearance) **CutTools** (OPP, 2007), **Samurai** (Mastroia ea, 2010), **Gosam** (Cullen ea, 2011), **MadLoop/aMC@NLO** (Hirschi ea, 2011, Frederix ea, 2011), **Helac-NLO** (van Hameren ea, 2010; Bevilacqua ea, 2013)
- **other numerical implementations** (in order of appearance): **Blackhat** (Berger ea, 2008), **Rocket** (Giele, Zanderighi, 2008), **NGluon** (Badger ea, 2011), **OpenLoops** (Cascioli ea, 2011), **Ninja** (Peraro, 2014)