

The Higgs in the Standard Model: status and perspectives.

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1. The Higgs in the SM: EWSB

To generate particle masses in an $SU(2) \times U(1)$ gauge invariant way:
introduce a doublet of scalar fields $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi^+ \\ \Phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$ with $\langle 0 | \Phi^0 | 0 \rangle \neq 0$

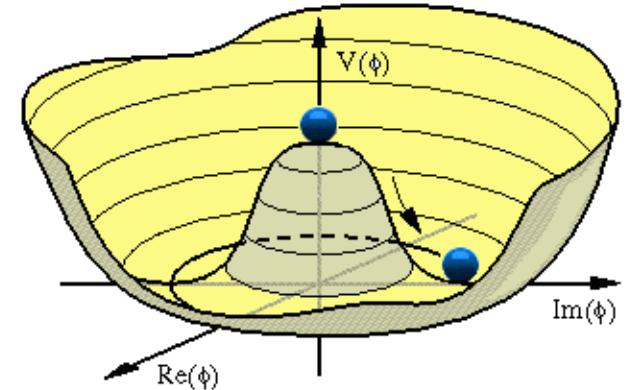
$$\mathcal{L}_S = D_\mu \Phi^\dagger D^\mu \Phi - \mu^2 \Phi^\dagger \Phi - \lambda (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2$$

$$v = (-\mu^2/\lambda)^{1/2} = 246 \text{ GeV}$$

\Rightarrow three d.o.f. for M_{W^\pm} and M_Z

For fermion masses, use same Φ :

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = -f_e(\bar{e}, \bar{\nu})_L \Phi e_R + \dots$$



The residual degree corresponds to the spin-zero Higgs particle, H .

- The Higgs boson: $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$ quantum numbers.
- Masses and self-couplings from V : $M_H^2 = 2\lambda v^2$, $g_{H^3} = 3 \frac{M_H^2}{v}$, ...
- Higgs couplings \propto particle masses: $g_{Hff} = \frac{m_f}{v}$, $g_{HVV} = 2 \frac{M_V^2}{v}$

Since v is known, the only free parameter in the SM is M_H (or λ).

1. The Higgs in the SM: constraints on M_H

Theory constraints from energy/ M_H range up to which the SM is valid

- Heavy Higgs: strong W/Z interactions

$$|A_0(VV \rightarrow VV)| \xrightarrow{s \gg M_H^2} \frac{M_H^2}{8\pi v^2} < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_H \lesssim 710 \text{ GeV}$$

(OK with lattice: $M_H \lesssim 650 \text{ GeV}$)

$$|A_0(VV \rightarrow VV)| \xrightarrow{s \ll M_H^2} \frac{s}{32\pi v^2} < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{s} \lesssim 1.2 \text{ TeV}$$

- Triviality and stability bounds:

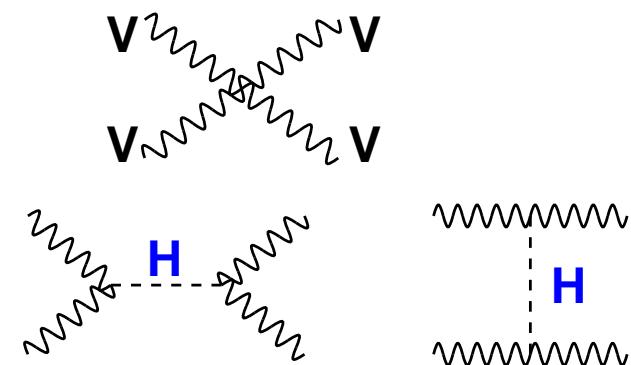
$$\lambda(Q^2) \approx \lambda(v^2) \left[1 - \frac{3}{4\pi^2} \lambda(v^2) \log \frac{Q^2}{v^2} \right]^{-1}$$

$\lambda \gg 1$ coupling blows up (Landau pole)

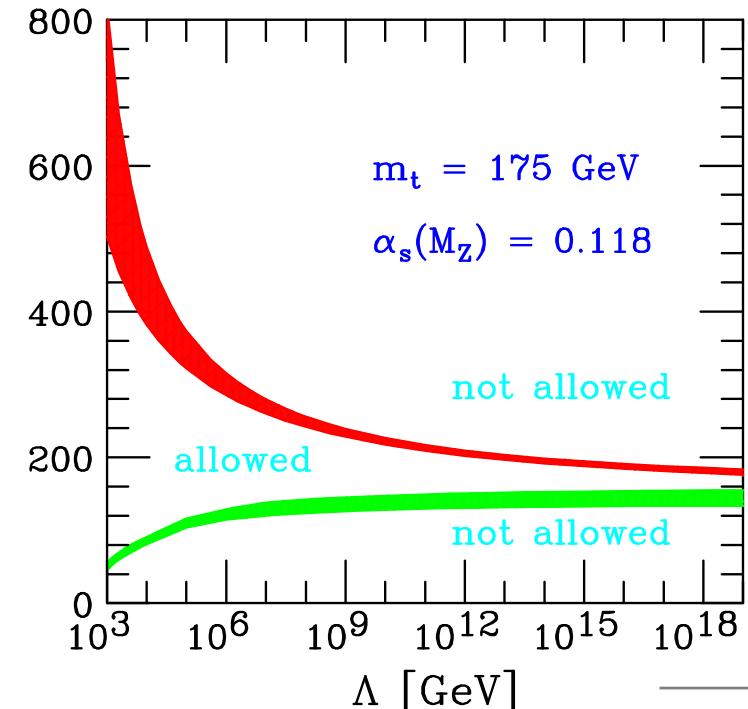
$\lambda \ll 1$ potential unstable (no EWSB)

$\Lambda \sim 1 \text{ TeV} : 70 \lesssim M_H \lesssim 700 \text{ GeV}$

$\Lambda \sim M_{\text{GUT}} : 130 \lesssim M_H \lesssim 180 \text{ GeV}$



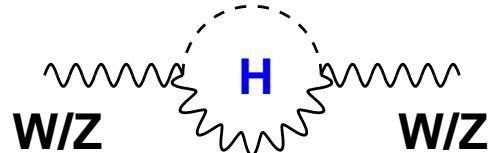
Hambye+Riesselman



1. The Higgs in the SM: constraints on M_H

Indirect constraints from high-precision data

H contributes to RC to W/Z masses:



Fit the EW precision measurements:

one obtains $M_H = 87^{+35}_{-26}$ GeV, or

$M_H \lesssim 157$ GeV at 95% CL

New Gfitter: $M_H \lesssim 153$ GeV @ 95% CL

?What top mass should be in the fit?

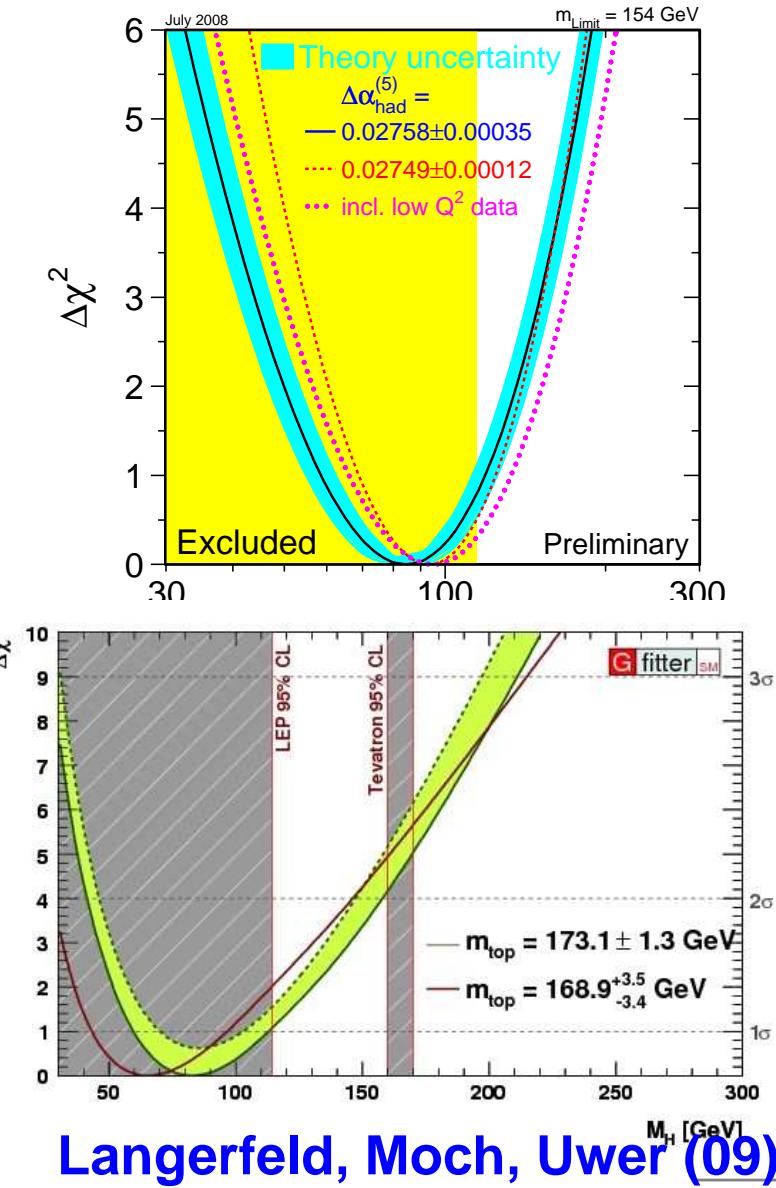
High precision data: on-shell mass

Tevatron: OS, $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass? 10 GeV diff.

$$m_t^{\text{OS}} = m_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(\mu) \left(1 - \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \left[\frac{4}{3} + \log \frac{\mu^2}{m_t^2} + \dots \right] \right)$$

$\overline{\text{MS}}$ top mass from NNLO $\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t})$

convert to $m_t^{\text{pole}} \approx 169 \pm 3.5$ GeV



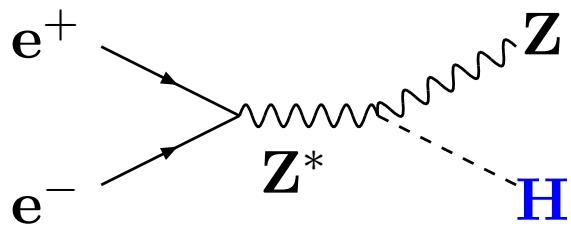
Langerfeld, Moch, Uwer (09).

1. The Higgs in the SM: constraints on M_H

Constraints from Higgs non-observation at colliders (LEP/Tevatron).

- Direct searches at LEP:

H looked for in $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH$

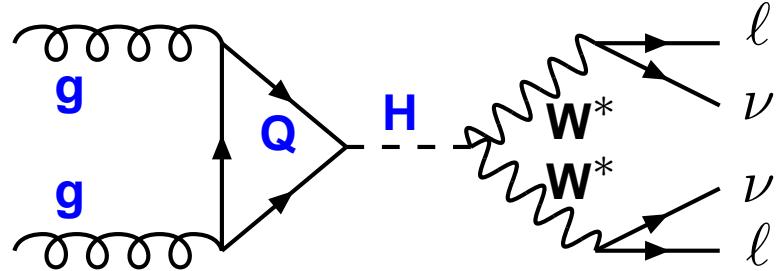


We have a limit at 95% CL:

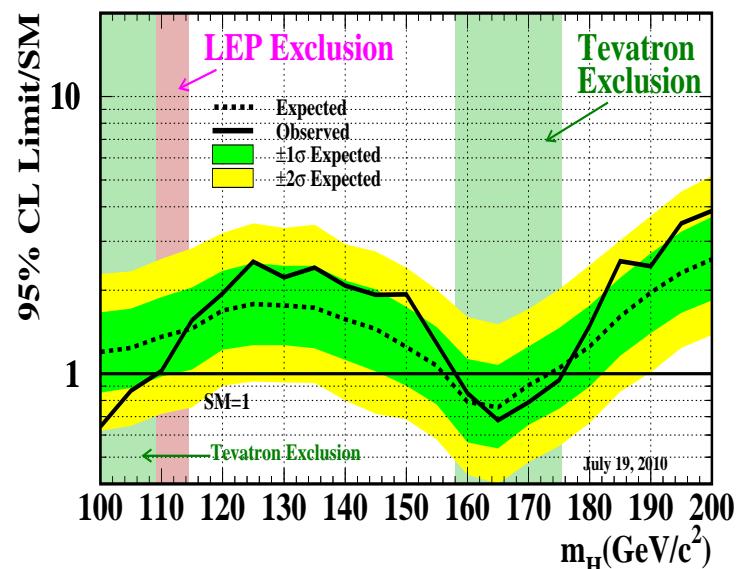
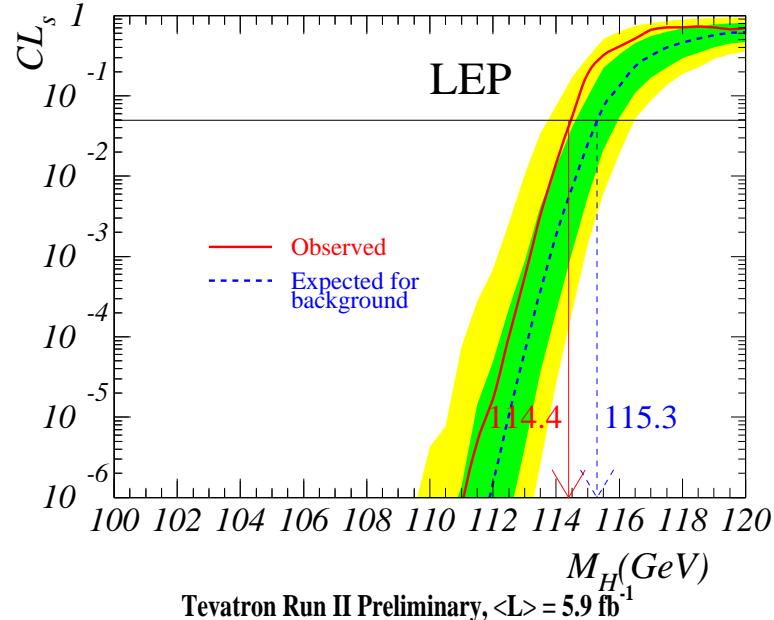
$$M_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV}$$

- New results from the Tevatron:

Mainly: $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell\ell\nu\nu$



exclude $M_H = 158 - 175 \text{ GeV}$
(to be discussed in detail later).



2. Higgs decays

Higgs couplings proportional to particle masses: once M_H is fixed,

- the profile of the Higgs boson is determined and its decays fixed,
- the Higgs has tendency to decay into heaviest available particle.

$$H \rightarrow f\bar{f} : \Gamma = \frac{G_\mu N_c}{4\sqrt{2}\pi} M_H m_f^2 \beta_f^3$$

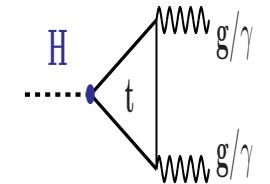
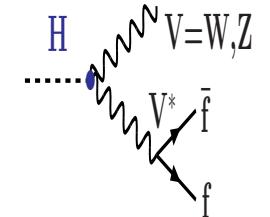
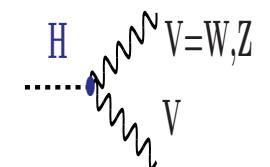
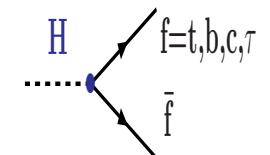
- only $b\bar{b}$, $c\bar{c}$, $\tau^+\tau^-$, $\mu^+\mu^-$ and eventually $t\bar{t}$
- QCD RC very large $\Rightarrow m_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(M_H^2) \sim 3 \text{ GeV}$.
- also direct QCD (3-loops) and EW (1-loop).

$$H \rightarrow VV : \Gamma = \frac{G_\mu M_H^3}{16\sqrt{2}\pi} \delta_V \beta_V \left(1 - 4 \frac{M_V^2}{M_H^2} + 12 \frac{M_V^4}{M_H^4} \right)$$

- above $2M_Z$ th. dominant: $\text{BR}(WW) = \frac{2}{3}$, $\text{BR}(ZZ) = \frac{1}{3}$
- $M_H \gg M_V$: very large $\Gamma_{VV} \propto M_H^3$ ($\Gamma_{tt} \propto M_H$)
- below th. decays possible/important ($m_b \ll M_V$)!

$$H \rightarrow gg/\gamma\gamma, Z\gamma : \text{loop induced} \propto \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2/\alpha^2)$$

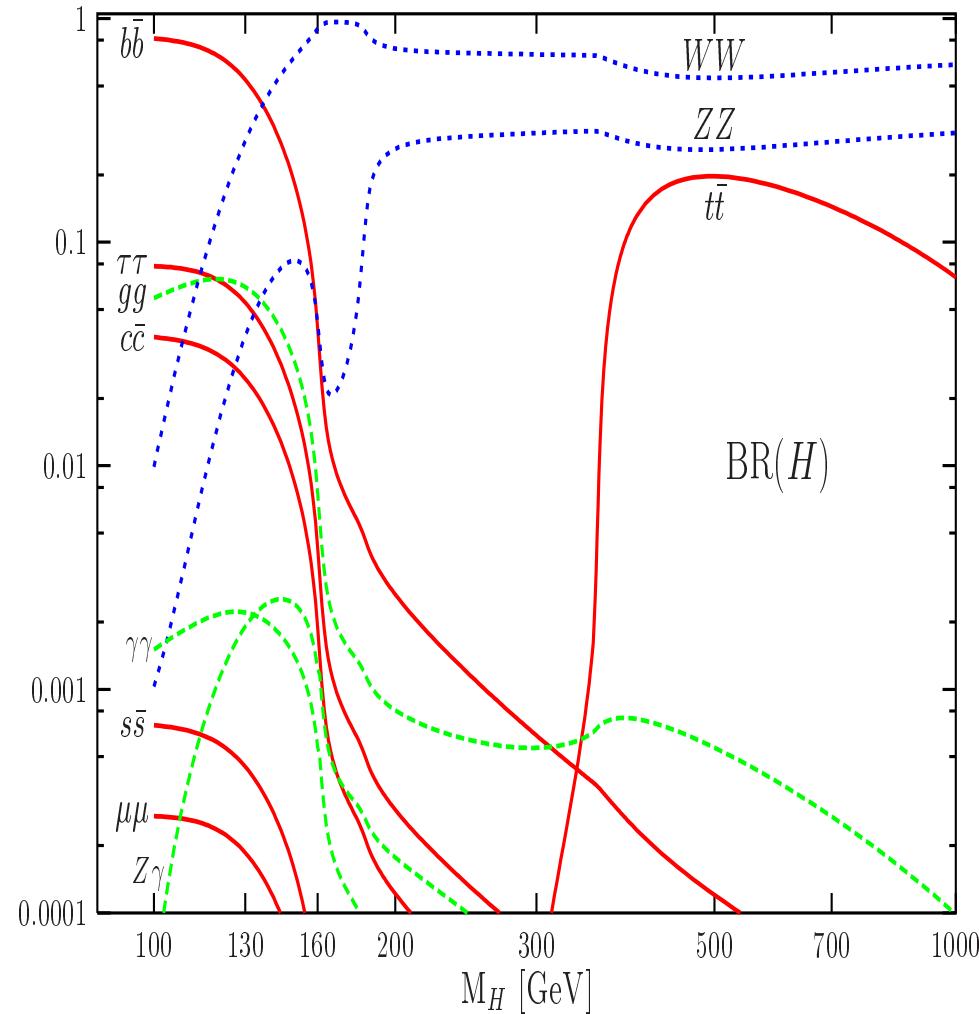
- heavy particles do not decouple! mainly $t(W)$ loops
- $H \rightarrow gg$: large (#2) RC; reverse of $gg \rightarrow H$!
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: much smaller ($\propto \alpha^2/\alpha_s^2$) but clean!



2. Higgs decays: branching ratios

Branching ratios: $\text{BR}(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{X}) \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{X})}{\Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{all})}$

- 'Low mass range', $M_H \lesssim 130 \text{ GeV}:$
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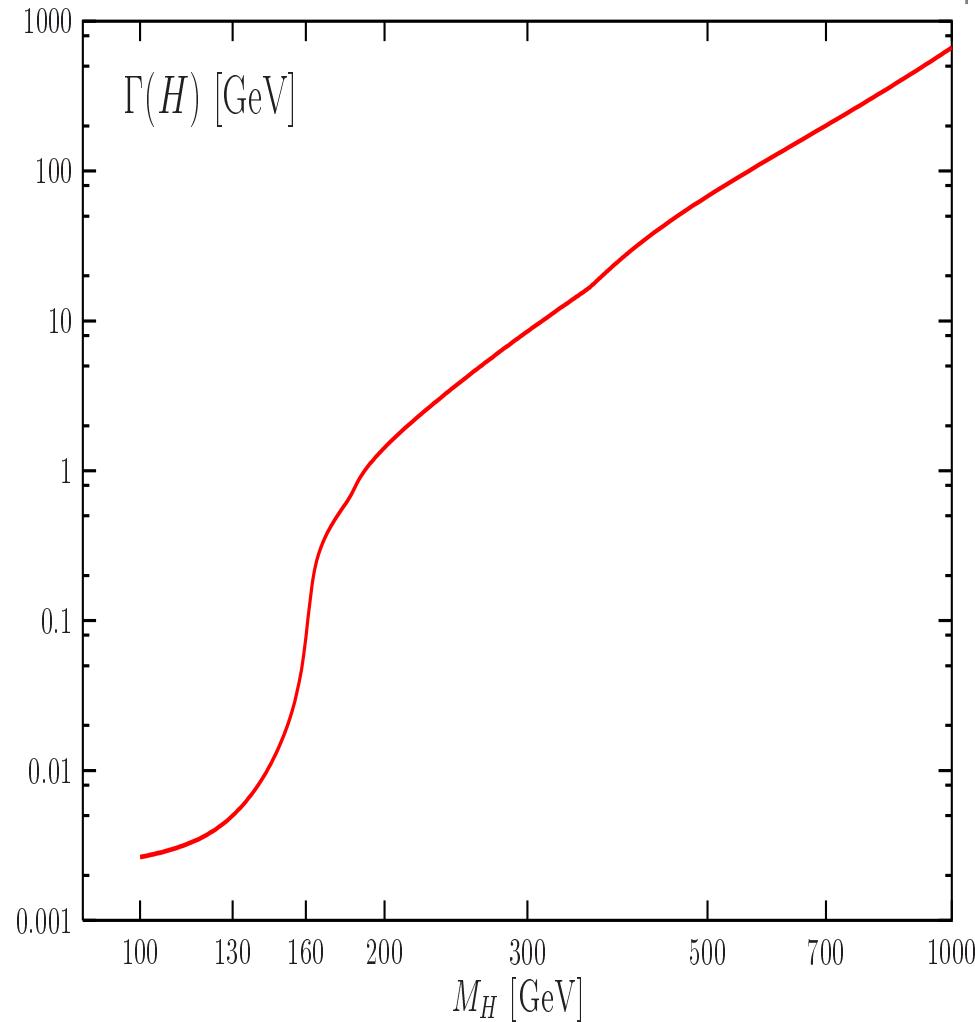


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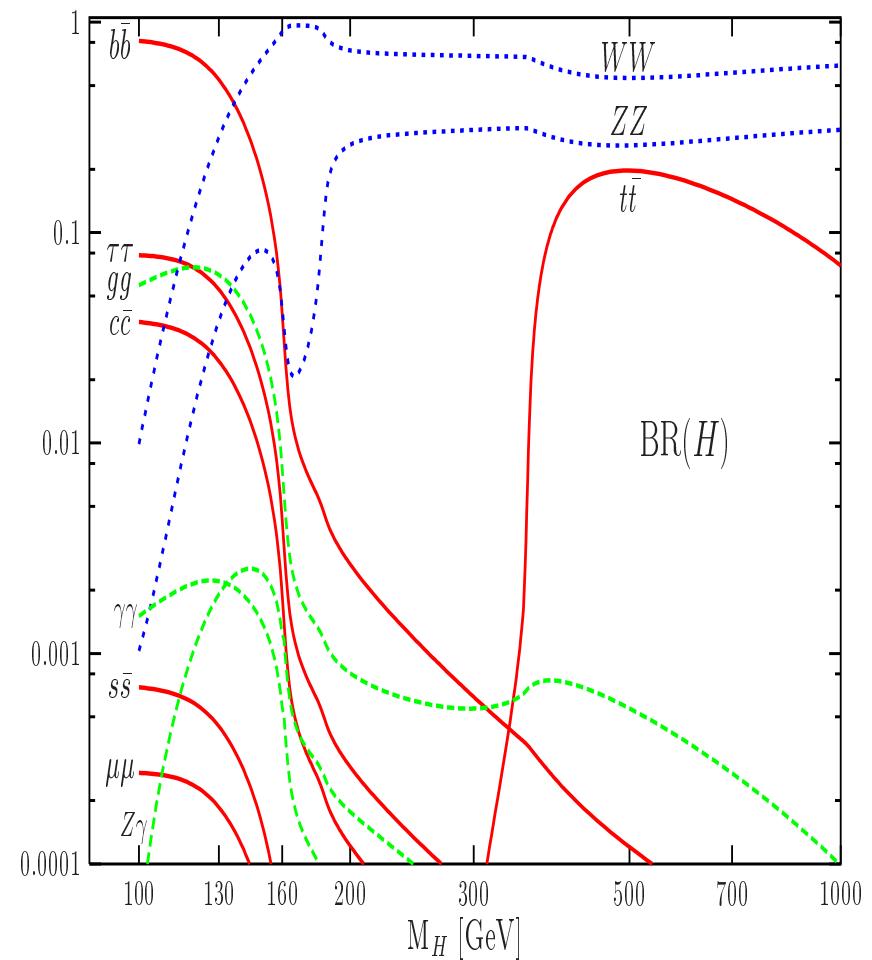
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- Scale error: measure of higher orders

$$\frac{1}{2}M_H \leq \mu \leq 2M_H$$

- Scale and α_s errors in $H \rightarrow gg$

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow gg) \propto \alpha_s^2 + \text{large } \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$



- No uncertainty on $H \rightarrow \tau\tau, WW, ZZ$

(QCD effects appear at high orders).

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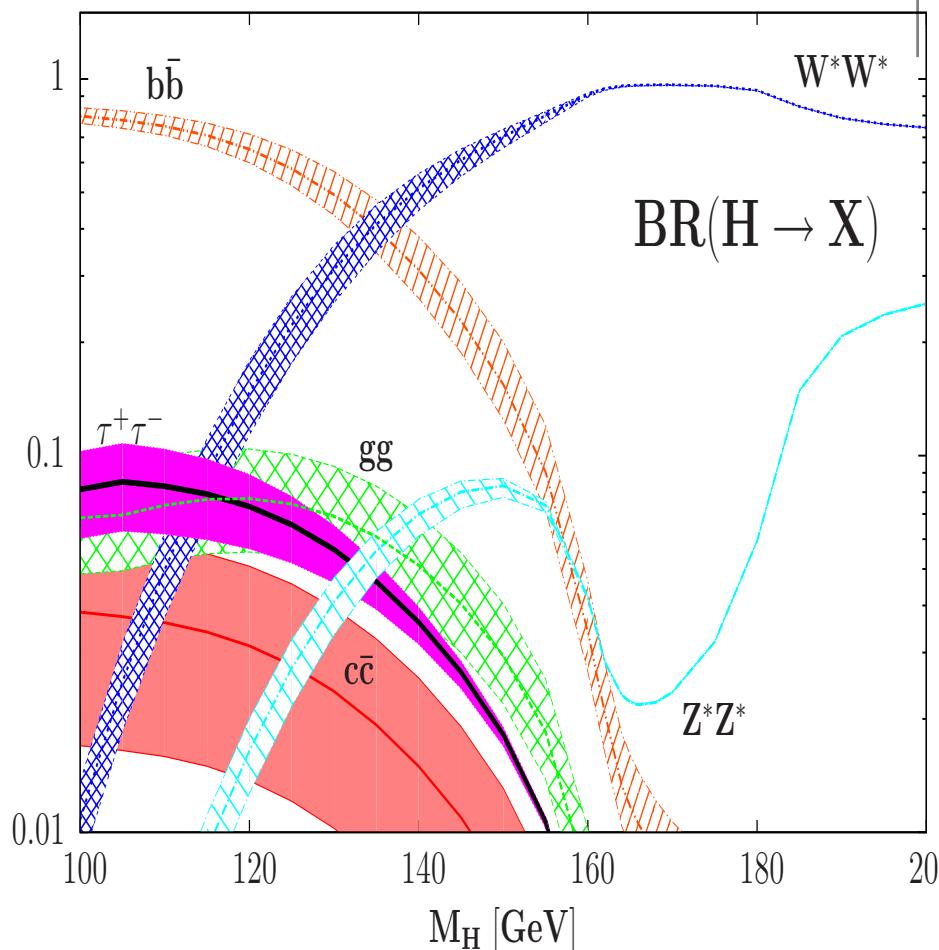
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Baglio,AD

Include all items \Rightarrow large uncertainties!

esp. for $M_h \approx 120-150 \text{ GeV}$: 10–30% for $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ and $H \rightarrow WW^*$

3. The Higgs at the Tevatron

- $M_H \gtrsim 140 \text{ GeV}$: $gg \rightarrow H$
(with $H \rightarrow W^*W^* \rightarrow \ell\ell\nu\nu$)

LO^a already at one loop

exact NLO^b : $K \approx 2$ (1.7)

EFT NLO^c: good approx.

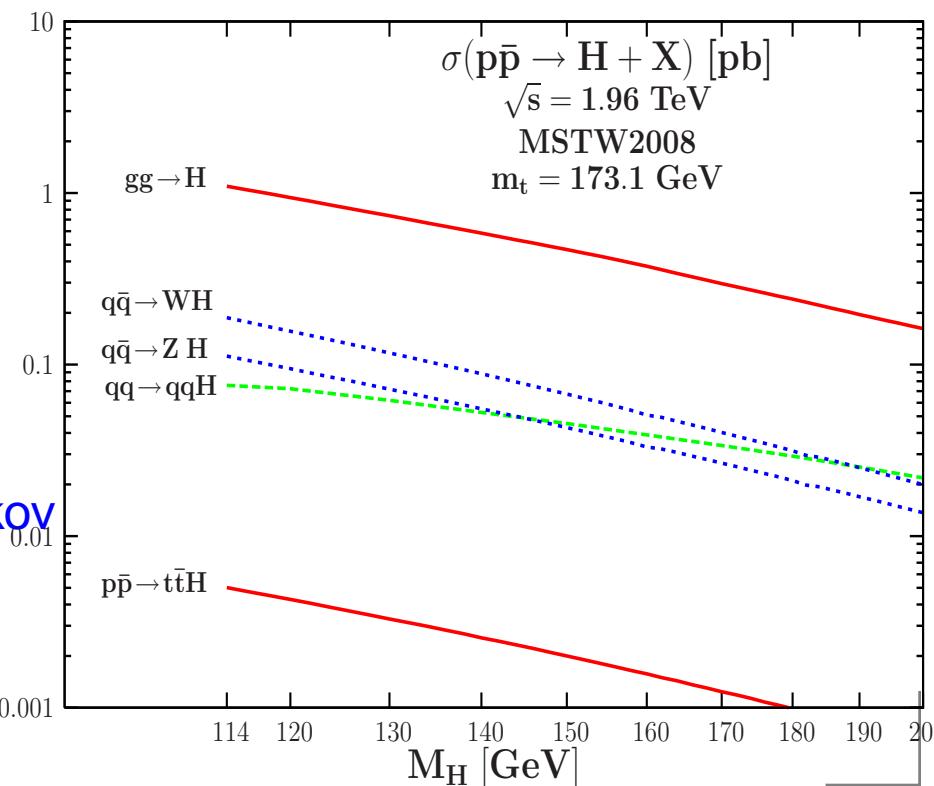
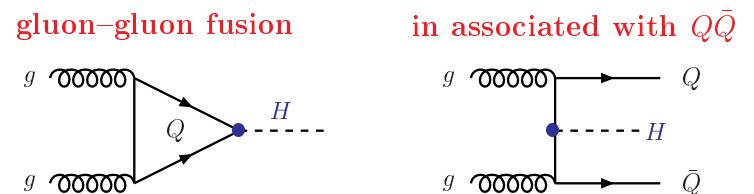
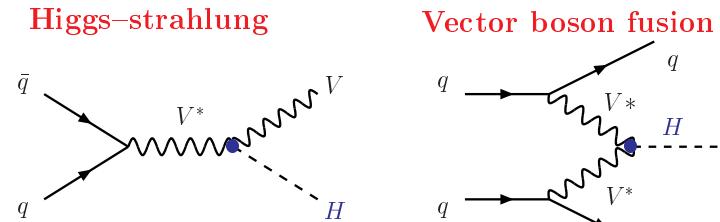
QCD: EFT NNLO^d: $K \approx 3$ (2)

EFT NNLL^e: $\approx +10\%$ (5%)

EFT NLO EW^f: $\approx \pm$ very small

exact NLO EW^g: $\approx \pm$ a few %

EFT NNLO QCD+EW^h: a few %



^aGeorgi et al., Ellis et al, Wilczek

^bSpira+AD+Graudenz+Zerwas (exact)

^cAD, Spira, Zerwas; Dawson (EFT)

^dHarlander+Kilgore, Anastasiou+Melnikov

Ravindran+Smith+van Neerven

^eCatani+de Florian+Grazzini+Nason

^fAD,Gambino; Degrassi et al.

^gActis+Passarino+Sturm+Uccirati

^hAnastasiou+Boughezal+Pietriello

3. Higgs at the Tevatron: production

- $M_H \lesssim 140 \text{ GeV}$: $q\bar{q} \rightarrow HV$

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow HW \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell\nu$$

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow HZ \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell\ell, b\bar{b}\nu\bar{\nu}$$

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow HW \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell\nu\nu\nu$$

LO^a: $\equiv \sigma(V^*) \times \text{BR}(V^* \rightarrow VH)$

exact NLO QCD^b : $K \approx 1.4$

exact NNLO QCD^c: $K \approx 1.5$

exact NLO EW^d : $\approx -5\%$

In practice combine ggH+HZ/HW

- $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Hqq$: bkg. too high.

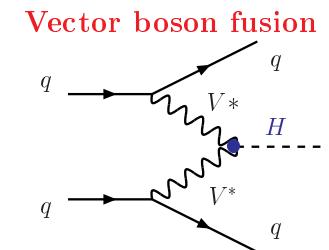
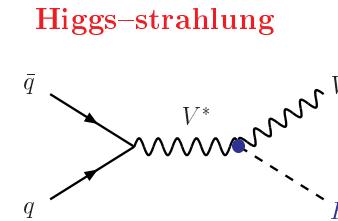
- $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Ht\bar{t}$: rates too low.

^aGlashow, Nanopoulos, Yildiz

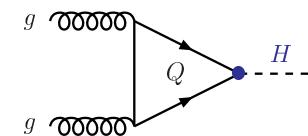
^bAltarelli et al; Han, Willenbrock

^cHamberger+van Neerven+Matsuura;
Brein+AD+Harlander

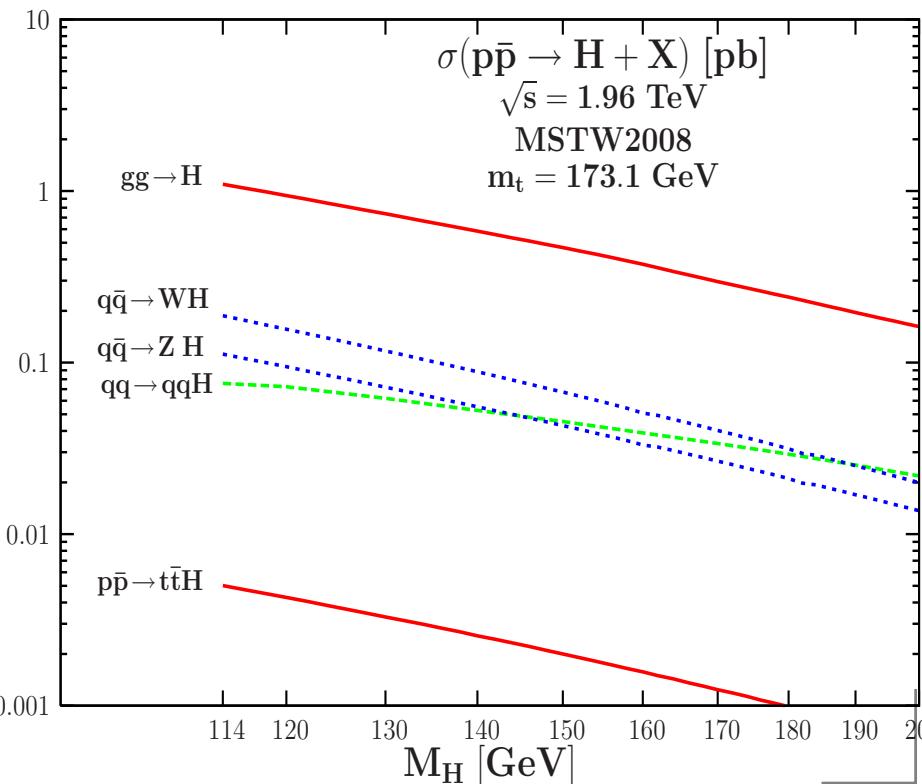
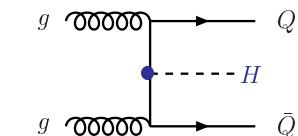
^dCiccolini+Dittmaier+Krämer



gluon-gluon fusion



in association with $Q\bar{Q}$



3. Higgs at Tevatron: focus on $gg \rightarrow H$

- The K factors are extraordinarily large:

good: this is what makes the Tevatron sensitive to the SM Higgs!

bad: perturbation theory almost jeopardized as $\sigma_{\text{LO}} \approx \sigma_{\text{NLO}} \approx \sigma_{\text{NNLO}}$.

ugly: higher order (HO) corrections might be very important...

- NNLL corrections known only for inclusive cross section σ_{tot} :

- σ_{cuts} used experimentally is known only at NNLO^a: stick to NNLO.
- NNLL corrections mimicked by using central scale $\mu_0 = \frac{1}{2}M_H$.
- in fact, NNLO only in EFT approach (no b-loop); exact only at NLO^b.
- K in σ_{tot} and σ_{cuts} different^c by $\approx 25\%$: $K_{\text{cuts}}^{\text{nnlo}} = 2.6$ vs $K_{\text{tot}}^{\text{nnlo}} = 3.3$.

- Other remarks:

- Starting point of calculation: **HIGLU (M. Spira)** based on Ref. [b].
- Recent updates^d for $gg \rightarrow H$ (2009) but not for $p\bar{p} \rightarrow HV$ (2004).
- Distributions not discussed, see Ref. [c]; no background neither.

^aCatani+Grazzini (HNNLO), Anastasiou+Melnikov+Pietriello (FEHIP)

^bSpira+AD+Graudenz+Zerwas (exact NLO)

^cAnastasiou, Dissertori, Grazzini, Stöckli, Webber (2009)

^dde Florian+Grazzini; Anastasiou+Boughezal+Pietriello; Ahrens et al;

3. Higgs at Tevatron: higher orders and scale variation

Higher orders (HO) guessed by varying μ_R, μ_F around central scale $\mu_0 = \frac{1}{2}M_H$:

$$\mu_0/\kappa \leq \mu_R, \mu_F \leq \kappa\mu_0$$

(only a guess, not a true measure!)

In general, when small HO, $\kappa=2$ enough
(this is the case for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow HV$ e.g.).

Here: $K_{HO} \approx 3$ and PTh almost ruined.

HO beyond NNLO might be still large:

⇒ guess scale domain from σ_{LO}

For σ_{LO} band to catch σ_{NNLO} value

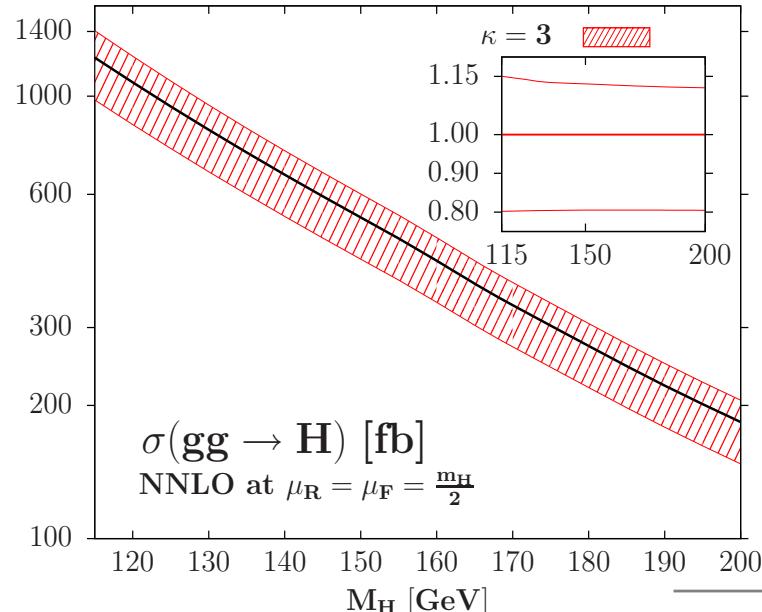
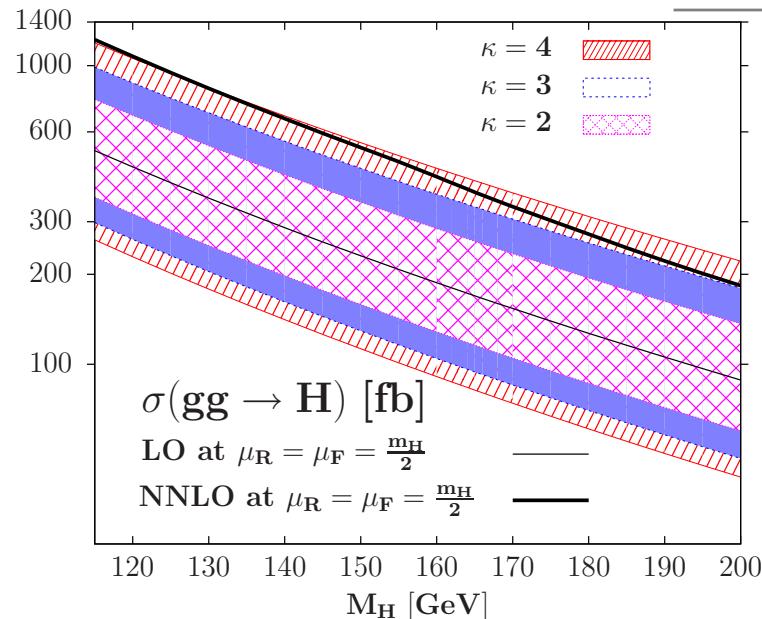
⇒ one needs at least $\kappa = 3$

Apply variation with $\kappa = 3$ for σ_{NNLO}

≈ 20% scale uncertainty on σ_{NNLO}

(compared to ≈ 10% for $\sigma_{NNLL} + \kappa = 2$)

compensates for 30% diff. K_{cuts} vs $K_{tot.}$



3. Higgs at Tevatron: PDFs and α_s

PDF uncertainties estimated using the 2x20 MSTW PDF sets including errors.
 \Rightarrow 5–10% PDF error (idem for CTEQ)

However, also other sets: HERA, ABKM, JR, which are also at NNLO, so let us try:
 \Rightarrow very large differences!!

(# is also a measure of the PDF error...)

Pb: $\sigma_{\text{LO}} = \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2), \dots, \sigma_{\text{NNLO}} = \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$
 and $\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1171 \pm 0.0034$ (90%CL)

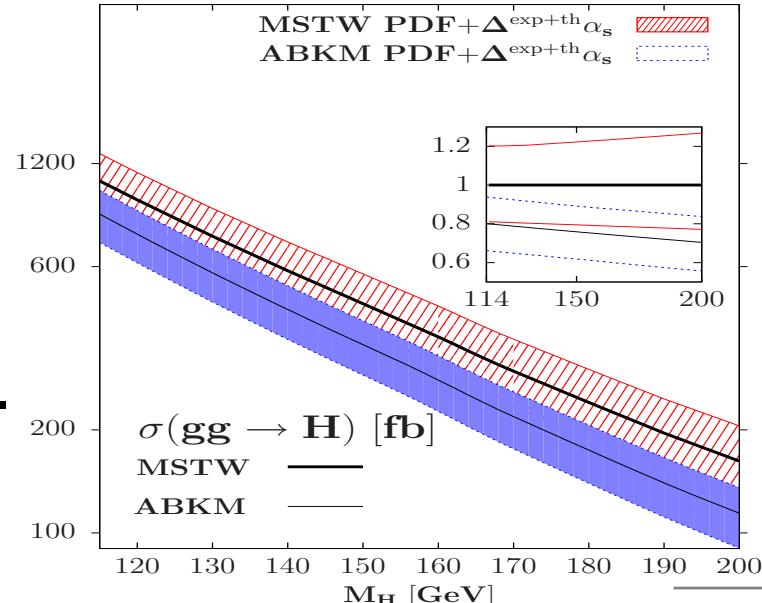
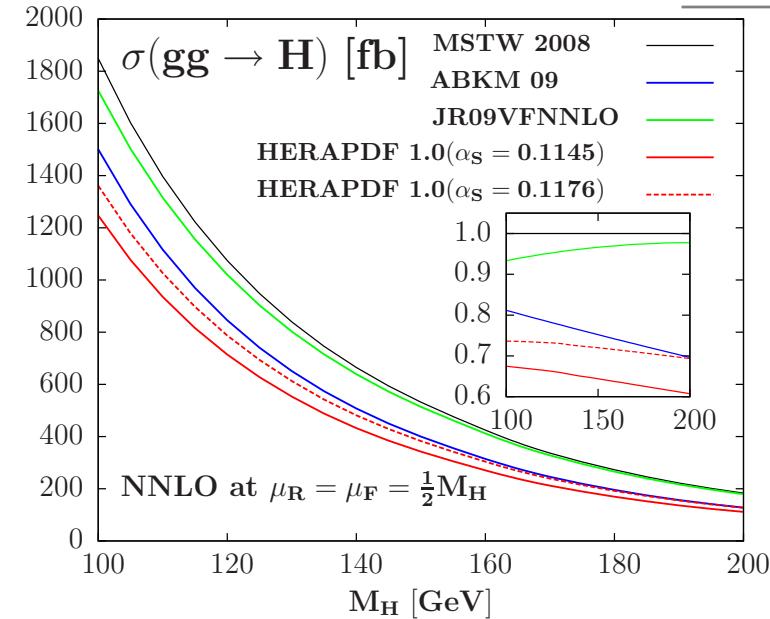
MSTW has new set up with $\Delta^{\text{exp}} \alpha_s$ in.

Not enough: also $\Delta^{\text{th}} \alpha_s \approx 0.002$ (NNLO)

Include all: PDF+ $\Delta^{\text{exp}} \alpha_s \oplus$ PDF+ $\Delta^{\text{th}} \alpha_s$

MSTW/ABKM now consistent (not HERA!).

But total PDF error is now $\approx 15\text{--}20\%$!
 (compared with $\approx 5\%$ for PDF alone).



3. Higgs at Tevatron: EFT approach at NNLO

To simplify (hard!) NNLO calculation

EFT approach where $M_{\text{loop}} \gg M_H$

Good for t-loop (see R. Harlander)

Not good for b-loop ($\approx 10\%$ at LO)

Estimate error from NLO (known exactly)

$$\Delta_b^{\text{NNLO}} : \frac{\sigma_{\text{exact}}^{\text{NLO}} - \sigma_{\text{EFT}}^{\text{NLO}}}{\sigma_{\text{exact}}^{\text{NLO}}} \times \frac{K_{\text{NLO}}}{K_{\text{NNLO}}}$$

In addition: m_b^{pole} or $m_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(m_b)$?

Uncertainty of a few percent...

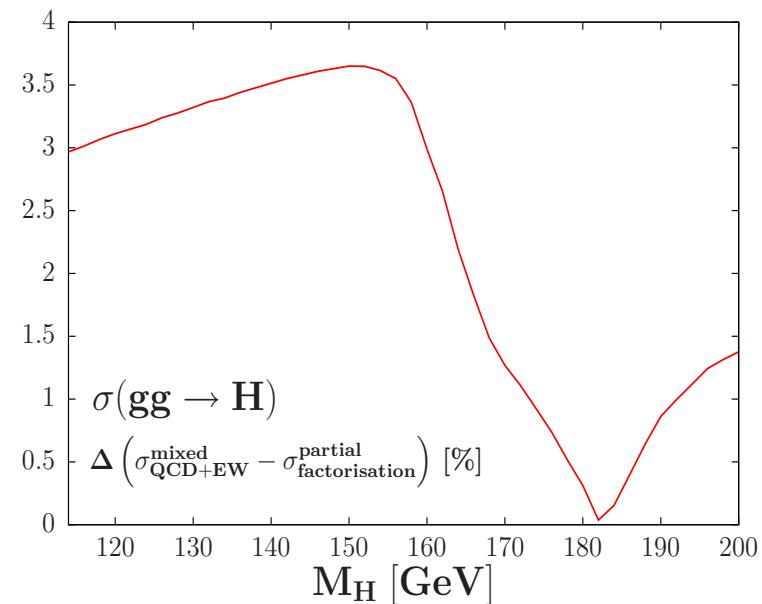
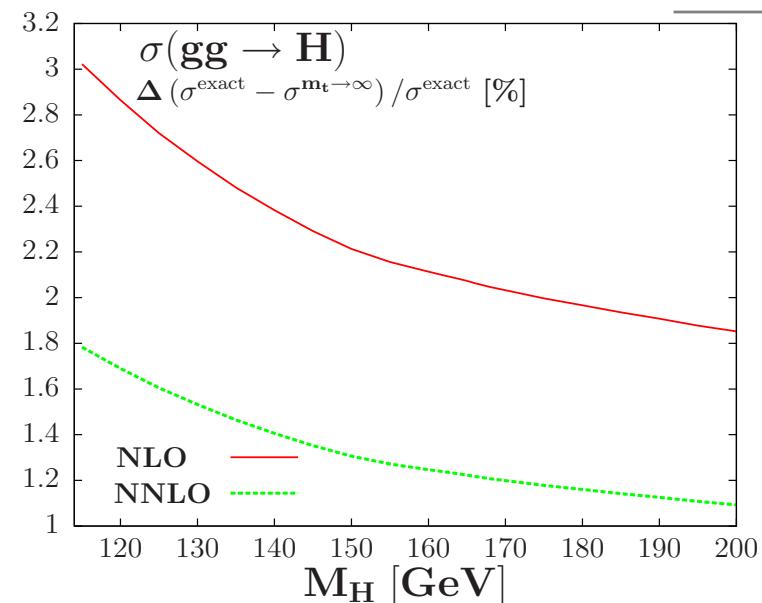
Mixed EW+QCD RadCor at NNLO:

EFT approach with $M_{W/Z} \gg M_H$

Contrib. \equiv to EW NLO in # schemes

$$\Delta_{\text{EW}}^{\text{NNLO}} : \frac{\sigma_{\text{complete factor.}}^{\text{NLO-EW}} - \sigma_{\text{partial factor.}}^{\text{NLO-EW}}}{\sigma_{\text{complete factor.}}^{\text{NLO-EW}}}$$

Uncertainty of a few percent ($\lesssim 3.5\%$)



3. Higgs at Tevatron: combination

Next very important issue: how to combine these theoretical errors?

– add scale and PDF not in quadrature!

(no stat ground; both have flat prior!)

Reasonable way: calculate $\max_{\min} \sigma(\mu_{F/R})$ and apply on them $\Delta_{ex+th}^{\alpha_s}$ errors

In $gg \rightarrow H$: $\approx \pm 40\%$ total uncertainty

much larger than assumed by CDF/D0

In $p\bar{p} \rightarrow HV$: $\approx \pm 10\%$ uncertainty

smaller than $gg \rightarrow H$ but x2 CDF/D0 error.

Don't forget the error on the Higgs BR's!

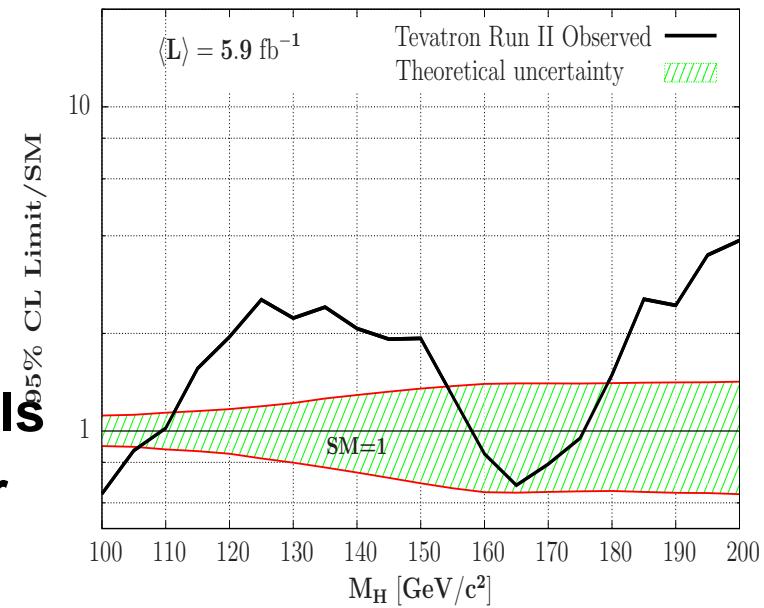
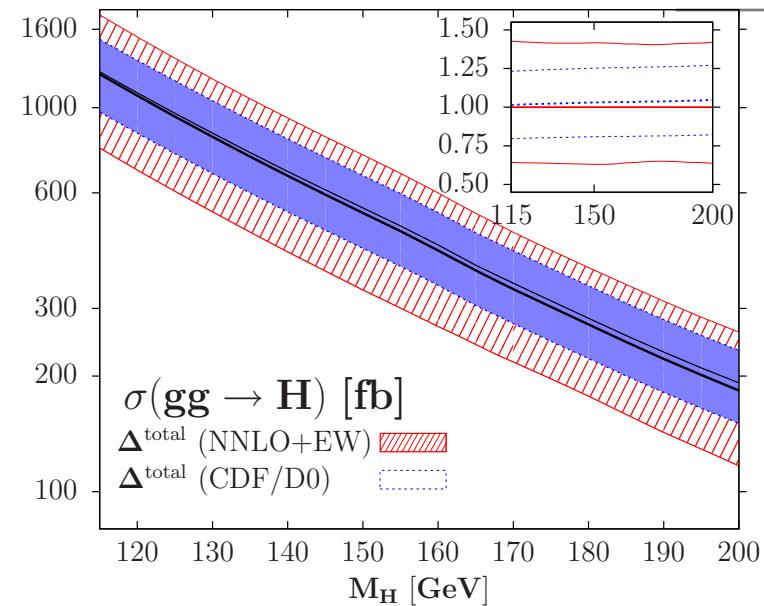
(to be added linearly to those on σ)

Combination of all channels:

– assume same acceptance for all channels

– assume no effect of CDF/D0 theory error

No Higgs mass is excluded with errors!



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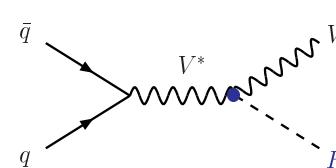
(≈ 200 of Higgs signal events)

- Hqq, Htt hopeless
- too much bckg from Wbb, Zbb (?)

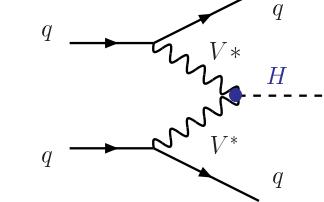
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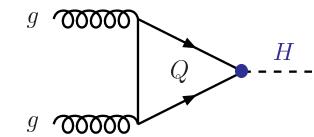
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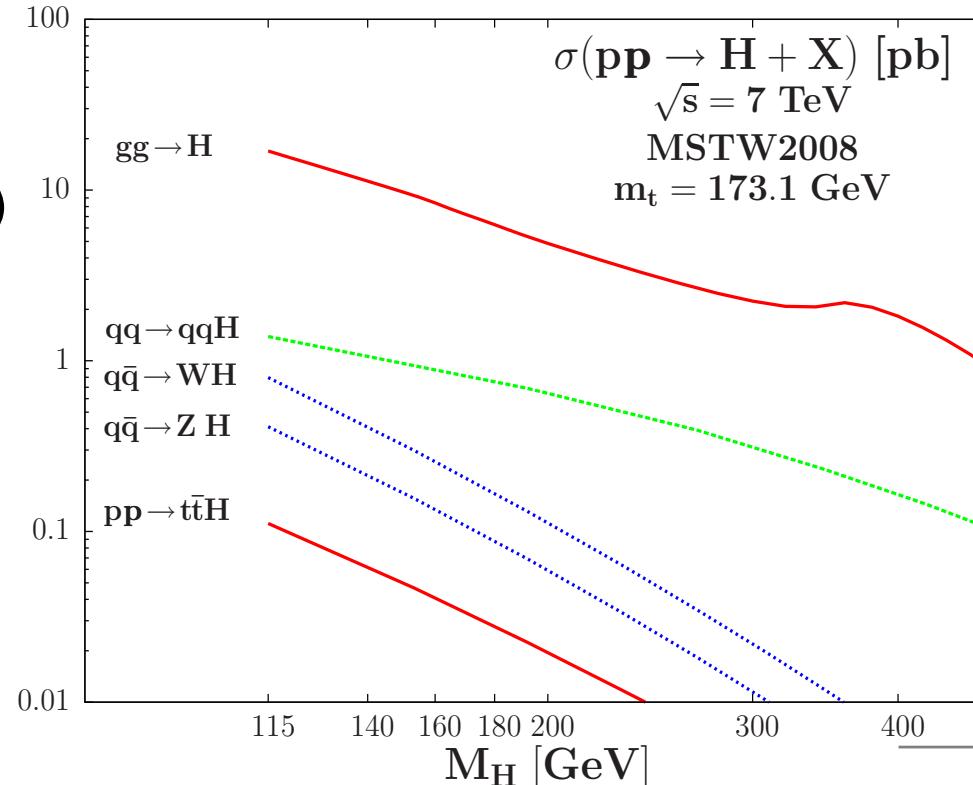
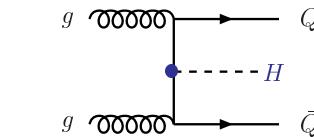
Vector boson fusion



gluon-gluon fusion



in association with $Q\bar{Q}$



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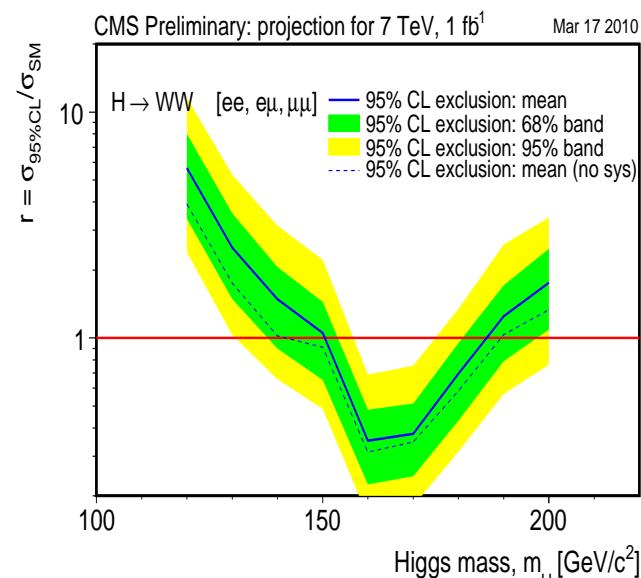
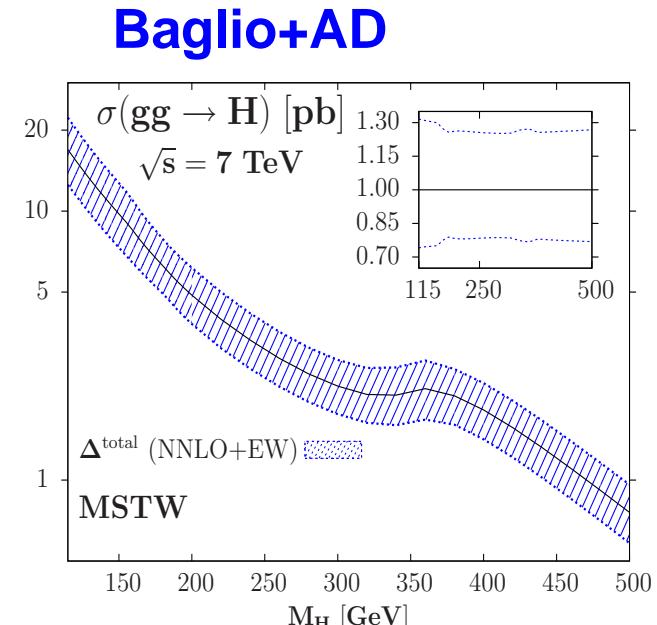
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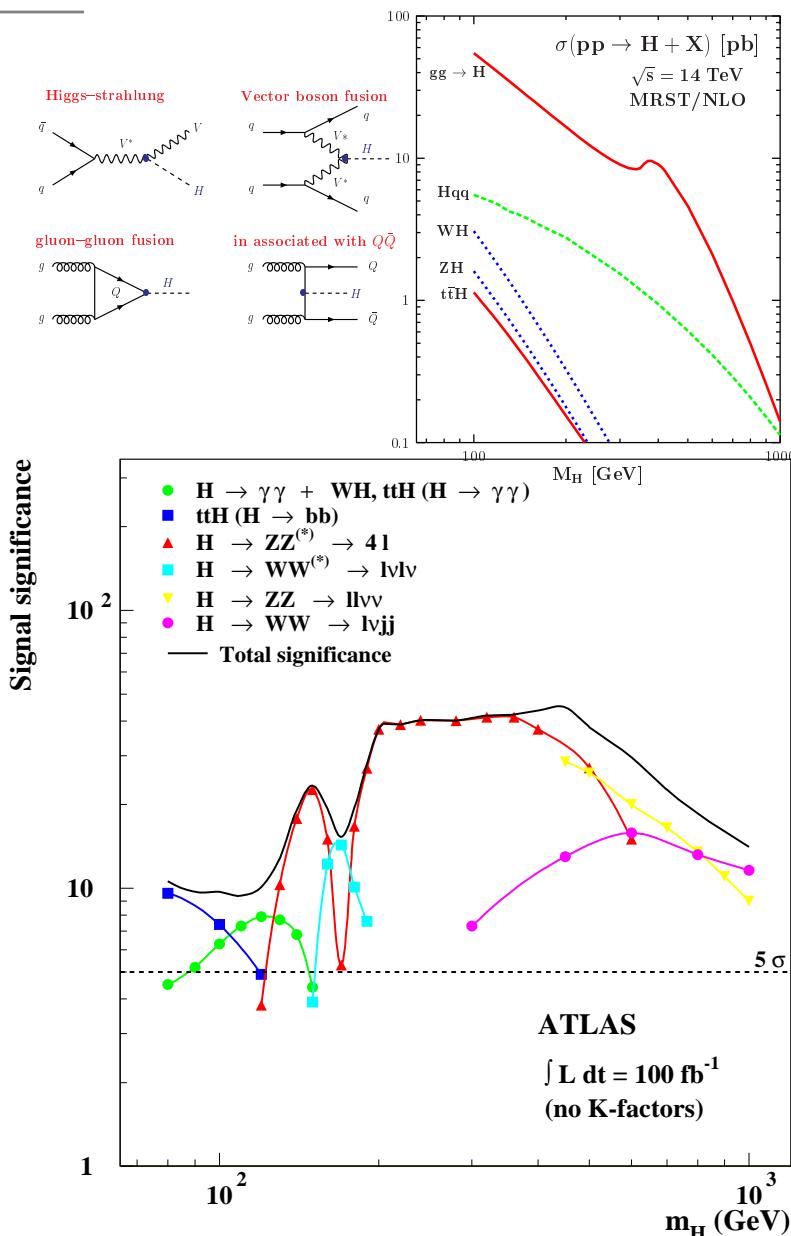
Combined uncertainty $\approx \pm 30\%$

excludes $M_H \approx 150 - 190 \text{ GeV}$



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4. The Higgs at the (full) LHC



LHC: $\sqrt{s}=7+7=14 \text{ TeV} \Rightarrow \sqrt{s}_{\text{eff}} \sim \sqrt{s}/3 \sim 5 \text{ TeV}$
 $\mathcal{L} \sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ first years and 100 fb^{-1} later

gluon–gluon fusion:

$gg \rightarrow \tau\tau, b\bar{b}, t\bar{t}$ **hopeless**

$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (**below $M_H \approx 150 \text{ GeV}$**)

$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ (**130–500 GeV**)

$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$ (**130–200 GeV**)

$H \rightarrow ZZ, WW \rightarrow jj + l$ (**above 500 GeV**)

Vector boson fusion:

S/B ~ 1 after standard VBF cuts

$pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow \tau\tau, \gamma\gamma, ZZ^*, WW^*$

Association with top pairs:

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ **bonus**, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ **hopeless?**

Association with W,Z:

jet substructure; measurements?

Only question: when?

5. Conclusion

The LHC will tell.