

CHARGED HIGGS PRODUCTION VIA BOTTOM PARTONS

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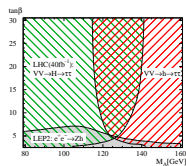
MSSM HIGGS BOSONS AT THE LHC

MSSM Higgs Sector

- two doublets, coupling to up and down type fermions
 - five physical states h^0, H^0, A^0, H^\pm
 - mixing of scalars to mass eigenstates (mixing angle α)
 - more predictive than Standard Model (upper h^0 mass limit)
- conveniently expressed as function of m_A and $\tan \beta \equiv v_2/v_1$
- Yukawa couplings: $(m_b \tan \beta, m_t / \tan \beta)$

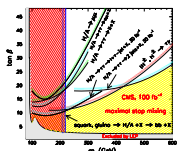
LHC search channels

- multitude of channels [ATLAS TDR (pre-LEP2)]
- complete coverage by WBF $h \rightarrow \tau\tau$ [TP, Rainwater, Zeppenfeld]
- mostly light scalar Higgs boson



Tell it is 2HDM (MSSM?) \Rightarrow look for heavy Higgs bosons

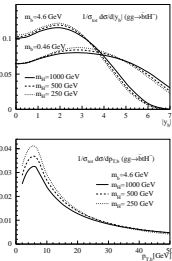
- $H^0, A^0 \rightarrow \tau\tau, \mu\mu$ inclusive $gg \rightarrow \Phi$ and $gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}\Phi$
- $H^\pm \rightarrow \nu\tau, tb$ in $pp \rightarrow tH^-, W^+H^-, H^+H^-$
- appearance in SUSY cascades [Djouadi et al.]
- no other conclusive way but to find these particles



BOTTOM-INCLUSIVE CROSS SECTIONS

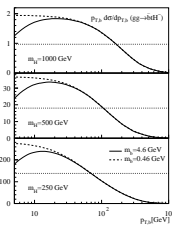
Exclusive production $gg \rightarrow \bar{b}tH^-$

- simple example, only one final state bottom jet
- collinear bottom jets from gluon splitting, regularized by m_b
- experiment: forward jets, $p_{T,b}$ peaked at m_b
- use bottom-inclusive cross section
- possibly large logarithms $\log(p_{T,b}/m_b)$
 asymptotic cross section behavior $d\sigma/dp_{T,b} \propto p_{T,b}/m_{T,b}^2$
- check: plateau in exclusive cross section
- impact on inclusive rate $\sigma \propto \log[(p_{T,b}^{\max}/m_b)^2 + 1]$
- how large logarithms? resum!



Inclusive process $bg \rightarrow tH^-$

- resum large logarithms $\log(p_{T,b}/m_b)$
- equivalent to bottom parton density
 $\mu_{F,b}$ ‘transverse momentum size’ of bottom parton ($\mu_{F,b} \equiv p_{T,b}^{\max}$)
- usually: hard scale $\mu_{F,b} = M$
- numerical improvement in total rate?
- distributions?



BOTTOM FACTORIZATION SCALE

Two steps: bottom virtuality Q_b^{\max} , then transverse momentum $p_{T,b}^{\max}$

– effective $2 \rightarrow 2$ cross section: $gg \rightarrow \bar{b}X$

hard scale for threshold production $M = M_X = m_H + m_t$

→ (1) approximate steep gluon density $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0/x^2$

(2) asymptotic behavior $|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = S^2 \sigma_0 / Q_b^2$

$$\sigma = \frac{2\sigma_0 \mathcal{L}_0}{16\pi} \int_0^{S-M^2} \frac{dQ_b}{Q_b} F(Q_b)$$

→ compute $F(Q_b)$, correction to asymptotic behavior $d\sigma/dQ_b \sim 1/Q_b$

→ translate Q_b into $p_{T,b}$ point by point

→ mostly transverse momentum at threshold ($\rho \equiv p_{z,b}/p_{T,b} \ll 1$)

$$\frac{Q_b^2}{M^2} = \frac{p_{T,b} \sqrt{s}}{M^2} \left(\sqrt{1 + \rho^2} - \rho \right) \sim \frac{p_{T,b}}{M}$$

→ $\mu_{F,b} \equiv p_{T,b}^{\max} \sim Q_b^{\max}/2 \sim M/4$

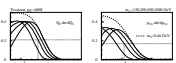
→ numerical study of $gg \rightarrow \bar{b}tH^-$: $\mu_{F,b} \sim M/5$

So what did we learn from exclusive process?

– moderately large logs at maximum $\log(M/(4m_b))$

→ moderate enhancement of rate

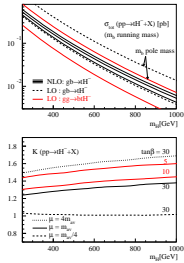
→ bottom parton picture understood for heavy Higgs boson



QCD CORRECTIONS TO INCLUSIVE CHANNEL

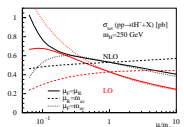
Next-to-leading Order QCD Calculation:

- leading order uncertainty large for $bg \rightarrow tH^-$
e.g. mass definition: \overline{MS} or pole mass for $y_{b,t}$?
 - complete set of virtual and real QCD corrections
 - running top and bottom Yukawa coupling
pole mass is leading order and not conservative
- NLO correction +30%...40% perturbatively stable [Zhu]



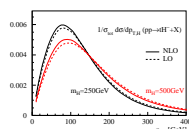
Scale Dependence in NLO:

- generic cancellations for $\mu_R \equiv \mu_F$ [Harlander & Kilgore]
 - renormalization scale dependence numerically dominant
 $\mu_R \sim (m_t + m_H)/2$ natural choice [c.f. Higgs decays, Melnikov]
 - factorization scale dependence critical only for $\mu_F \sim m_b$
 $\mu_F \sim (m_t + m_H)/5$ from exclusive process
- NLO scale dependence $\pm 20\%$, good estimate for theory uncertainty
- well defined limit $\mu_F \rightarrow m_b$ returns exclusive process at NLO



Distributions in NLO:

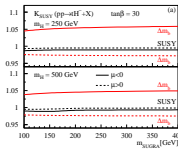
- Higgs transverse momentum softened (gluon density)
- Higgs rapidity not symmetric (gluon splitting)



SUSY-QCD CORRECTIONS

SUSY-QCD Loop Contributions:

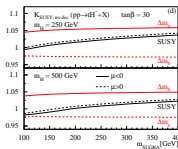
- infrared finite but ultraviolet divergent SUSY loops
 - parameterized by $K_{\text{SUSY}} = 1 + \sigma_{\text{SUSY}}/\sigma_{\text{NLO}}$
 - (1) universal corrections $y_b \rightarrow y_b/(1 + \Delta m_b)$
 [Carena, Garcia, Nierste, Wagner]
 - (2) remaining explicit SUSY loop diagrams [Gao, Lu, Xiong, Yang]
- Δm_b corrections dominant for $\tan \beta \gtrsim 10$ (dependent on sign of μ)
- explicit loop corrections negligible $\lesssim 5\%$ for generic mSUGRA



Decoupling of Running Parameters: $\alpha_s(\mu_R), y_{b,t}(\mu_R)$

- heavy SUSY particle loops ultraviolet divergent
- SUSY counter terms for Standard Model parameters
- SUSY contributions to beta functions
- explicit decoupling necessary:

$$m_{b,t}(\mu_R) \rightarrow m_{b,t}(\mu_R) [1 + \alpha_s/(4\pi) C_F \log(\mu_R^2/m_{\text{heavy}}^2)]$$



CONCLUSIONS

- heavy Higgs bosons necessary to tell it might be the MSSM
- bottom initiated process $bg \rightarrow tH^-$ appropriate
- NLO₁: inclusive process well defined
- NLO₂: 30% \dots 40% enhancement of σ_{tot} in 2HDM
- NLO₃: remaining scale uncertainty $\lesssim 20\%$
- NLO₄: Δm_b corrections dominant in MSSM for large $\tan \beta$
- NLO₅: non-factorizable corrections negligible in MSSM
- to look forward to:
 - NLO₆: Higgs and top distributions to NLO
 - NLO₇: systematic SUSY study

