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## **b** quarks and Higgs Physics at Hadron Colliders

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In the Standard Model, Higgs boson production in association with *b* quarks is suppressed by the small *b* quark Yukawa coupling,  $g_{bbH} = \frac{m_b}{v} \approx 0.02$ . In the MSSM, however, the cross sections to  $p\bar{p}, pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}\Phi^0, \Phi^0 = h^0, H^0, A^0$ , are enhanced with respect to the SM for large values of tan  $\beta$ :

$g_{f\!f\!\phi^0}^{M\!S\!S\!M}/g_{f\!f\!H}$	$h^0, H^0$	$A^0$
$I_3^f = -1/2$ $f = \mathbf{b}, \mu, \tau, \dots$	$\frac{(-\sin\alpha,\cos\alpha)}{\cos\beta}$	aneta
$I_3^f = 1/2$ $f = t, \dots$	$\frac{(\cos\alpha,\sin\alpha)}{\sin\beta}$	$\coteta$

At  $\tan \beta = 40$ , for instance, the  $b\bar{b}(h^0, H^0, A^0)$  coupling can be as strong as the SM  $t\bar{t}H$  coupling.

At large  $\tan \beta$  Higgs boson production in association with *b* quarks becomes the dominant neutral MSSM Higgs production mode:





M.Spira, Fortschr.Phys.46 (1998) and hep-ph/9810289 (update)

# Branching ratios for the MSSM neutral Higgs bosons, $H^0$ and $A^0$ , at large $\tan \beta$ :



taken from R.Kinnunen, CMS-CR-2004-058

Most studies use the LEP setup:  $M_2 = 200 \text{ GeV}, \mu = -200 \text{ GeV}$   $M_{\tilde{g}} = 800 \text{ GeV}, M_{\tilde{q},\tilde{l}} = 1 \text{ TeV}$   $\Rightarrow \text{ no } \Phi^0 \text{ decay to sparticles}$ and at large  $\tan \beta$  only  $\Phi^0 \rightarrow b\bar{b}, \tau\tau, \mu\mu$  decays are considered

LHC  $H^0$ ,  $A^0$  discovery potential using sparticle decay modes: see, e.g.,

F.Moortgat et al, hep-ph/0112046

Higgs boson production in association with b quarks in the MSSM is an important production mode for

- discovery of  $\Phi^0 = h^0, H^0, A^0$ ,
- measurement of  $\Phi^0$  masses and  $\tan\beta$ ,
- obtaining information about b quark and  $\tau, \mu$  Yukawa couplings.

Production modes:

 $b\overline{b} \rightarrow \Phi^0$ : fully inclusive, no *b* quark identified LHC: only through  $\Phi^0 \rightarrow \tau \tau, \mu \mu$ , since QCD multijet background to  $\Phi^0 \rightarrow b\overline{b}$  too large

 $bg \rightarrow b\Phi^0, \bar{b}g \rightarrow \bar{b}\Phi^0$  : semi-inclusive, one  $b(\bar{b})$  quark identified  $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow b\bar{b}\Phi^0$  : exclusive, two *b* quarks identified

measures unambiguously the b Yukawa coupling,  $\sigma\propto g^2_{bb\Phi^0}({\rm at\ tree\ level})$ 

## Tevatron MSSM neutral Higgs discovery potential

Search for MSSM  $h = H^0, h^0, A^0$  in 3 *b*-tagged events using D0 Run II data (left) and Tevatron 95 % CL exclusion contours for  $b\bar{b}h \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$  (right):



from The D0 collaboration, D0 Note 4366 - CONF from the Report of the Tevatron Higgs WG, hep-ph/0010338 see also talk by S.M.Wang, Moriond 2004 CDF: Search for  $\phi^0 \rightarrow \tau \tau$  in inclusive Higgs production: see talk by W.Yao, ICHEP04

## LHC MSSM neutral Higgs discovery potential

Sensitivity for a MSSM light Higgs  $(h^0)$  boson discovery (left) and the discovery potential for  $b\bar{b}h^0$  with  $h^0 \to \mu^+\mu^-$  (right) (5 $\sigma$  curves):



from S.Gentile, ATL-PHYS-2004-009 (and references therein)

LHC MSSM neutral Higgs discovery potential

Discovery potential for  $b\bar{b}\Phi^0$  with  $\Phi^0 \to \mu^+\mu^-$  (right) (5 $\sigma$  curves):



from S.Dawson, D.Dicus, C.Kao, R.Malhotra, PRL92 (2004), hep-ph/0402172

LHC MSSM neutral Higgs discovery potential

Discovery potential for the MSSM heavy Higgs bosons,  $gg \rightarrow b\overline{b}(H^0, A^0)$ with  $H^0, A^0 \rightarrow \tau \tau, \mu \mu$  (5 $\sigma$  curves):



from R.Kinnunen et al., The Higgs working group: Summary report, hep-ph/0406152

# Measurement of $\tan\beta$ at the LHC

Uncertainty of the  $\tan \beta$  measurement for  $gg \to b\bar{b}(H^0, A^0) \to b\bar{b}\tau\tau$ :



Additional SUSY parameter dependence enters through radiative corrections but for large  $\tan \beta$  the replacement  $\tan \beta \rightarrow \tan \beta_{eff}$  in the *b* Yukawa coupling is a good approximation and:  $\sigma(gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}\Phi^0) \propto \tan \beta_{eff}^2$ see, e.g., M.Carena *et al.*, hep-ph/0208209

from R.Kinnunen et al., The Higgs working group: Summary report, hep-ph/0406152

# Need for NLO QCD calculations



- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$  corrections can increase/decrease the total production rate.
- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$  corrections may affect the shape of distributions.

Associated  $b\bar{b}$  Higgs production at hadron colliders

 $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$  at pp and  $p\bar{p}$  colliders is dominated by the gg initiated process.

The calculation of the  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$  corrections to  $gg, q\bar{q} \to b\bar{b}h$  is technically similar to  $t\bar{t}h$  production. We "simply" replace  $m_t$  by  $m_b$ .

However, there are differences:

→ We consider both the *OS* scheme and the  $\overline{MS}$  scheme when renormalizing the *b* quark mass in the *b* Yukawa coupling:  $OS: g_{bbh} = m_b/v$  with  $m_b$  being the pole mass  $\overline{MS}: g_{bbh} = \overline{m}_b(\mu)/v$  with  $\overline{m}_b(\mu)$  being the running mass  $\Rightarrow$  Possible improvement of perturbative calculation by resumming large logarithmic contributions to the  $b\bar{b}h$  vertex.

 $\rightarrow$  The contribution from the closed top quark loops is included, e.g.:



The  $b\bar{b}h$  processes are classified according to how many *b* quarks are identified: 2 *b* quarks tagged, 1 *b* quark tagged and the fully inclusive case. In the 2(1) *b*-tag case we require two(one) high  $p_T$  *b* quark jets in the final state:

$$p_T^{b,\overline{b}} > 20 \text{ GeV}$$
 and  $|\eta_{b,\overline{b}}| < 2(2.5)$  Tevatron (LHC)

Moreover, we consider the radiated gluon and the  $b/\overline{b}$  quarks as distinct particles only if

$$\Delta R = \sqrt{(\Phi_b - \Phi_g)^2 + (\eta_b - \eta_g)^2} > 0.4$$

Otherwise their 4-momentum vectors are combined into an effective  $b/\overline{b}$  momentum vector.

New D0 cuts:

$$p_T^{b,ar{b}} > 15 \; {
m GeV} \; \; {
m and} \; \; |\eta_{b,ar{b}}| < 2.5$$

## Exclusive $b\overline{b}$ Higgs production at hadron colliders



- $\rightarrow$  Requiring two high  $p_T b$  quark jets in the final state reduces the signal, but also greatly reduces the background.
- $\rightarrow$  Unambiguously proportional to the *b* quark Yukawa coupling.

#### Status:

Two independent calculations based on  $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$  at NLO QCD by S.Dittmaier, M.Krämer, M.Spira (PRD 70 (2004)) and S.Dawson, C.Jackson, L.Reina, D.W. (PRD 69 (2004)).

The results of these two calculations are in good numerical agreement.

# $M_{(h^0,H^0)}, \tan\beta$ dependence in the MSSM



from S.Dawson, C.Jackson, L.Reina, D.W., PRD 69 (2004)

To a good approximation the MSSM result can be obtained from the SM result as follows:

$$\sigma_{\rm NLO}({\rm MSSM}) \sim \sigma_{\rm NLO}({\rm SM}) \left(\frac{g_{bbh}^{MSSM}}{g_{bbh}}\right)^2$$

## Main Result

## Drastically reduced scale dependence of the NLO QCD cross sections:



from S.Dawson, C.Jackson, L.Reina, D.W., PRD 69 (2004)

see also S.Dittmaier et al., PRD 70 (2004), and J.Campbell et al. in LesHouches 2003 proceedings, hep-ph/0405302

The *b* quark mass used in  $g_{bbh}$  is renormalized either in the on-shell (*OS*) or  $\overline{MS}$  scheme ( $\overline{MS}$ : LO with 1-loop and NLO with 2-loop running mass).



#### Effect of NLO QCD corrections on the Higgs $p_T$ distribution:

Inclusive and semi-inclusive  $b\bar{b}$  Higgs production at hadron colliders

For a review see, e.g., J.Campbell *et al.*, LesHouches 2003 proceedings, hep-ph/0405302.

Status: There exist two approaches, dubbed *five flavor number scheme* (5FNS) and *four flavor number scheme* (4FNS):

 $\rightarrow \, 4FNS$  approach

Fixed order, explicit matrix element calculation based on the parton level processes  $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$ .

Inclusive (no *b* tagged) and semi-inclusive (1 *b* tagged): known at NLO Two independent calculations by S.Dittmaier, M.Krämer, M.Spira and S.Dawson, C.Jackson, L.Reina, D.W.

 $\rightarrow$ These two calculations are in good numerical agreement.

 $\rightarrow$  5FNS approach

Use of b quark PDFs to sum to all orders large logs,  $\alpha_s \ln(m_b^2/\mu_F^2)$  $(\mu_F \approx M_h)$ , which arise due to initial-state  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  splitting.

# $\rightarrow$ 5FNS approach

# Inclusive (no *b* tagged): known at NNLO QCD

b quark fusion,  $b\bar{b} \to h$ , is the leading order subprocess of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \ln^2(M_h/m_b))$ and  $b(\bar{b})g \to b(\bar{b})h$  and  $gg, q\bar{q} \to b\bar{b}h$  are identified as NLO contributions to  $b\bar{b} \to h$  of  $\mathcal{O}(1/\ln(M_h/m_b))$  and  $\mathcal{O}(1/\ln^2(M_h/m_b))$ , respectively. D.Dicus, F.Maltoni, T.Stelzer, Z.Sullivan, S.Willenbrock



Inclusive  $pp, p\bar{p} \rightarrow (b\bar{b})H + X$  production has been calculated at NNLO QCD by R.Harlander, W.Kilgore.

Semi-inclusive (1 *b*-tagged): known at NLO QCD  $b(\bar{b})g \rightarrow b(\bar{b})h$  is the leading order subprocess of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \ln(M_h/m_b))$ and  $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$  are identified as NLO contributions of  $\mathcal{O}(1/\ln(M_h/m_b))$ . J.Campbell, R.K.Ellis, F.Maltoni, S.Willenbrock

#### Main Result

Drastically reduced scale dependence of the NLO QCD cross sections – 1 *b* tagged:



from S.Dawson, C.Jackson, L.Reina, D.W., hep-ph/0408077

see also S.Dittmaier et al., PRD 70 (2004), and J.Campbell et al. in LesHouches 2003 proceedings, hep-ph/0405302

#### Main Result

Drastically reduced scale dependence of the NLO QCD cross sections – no *b* tagged:



from S.Dawson, C.Jackson, L.Reina, D.W., in prep.

see also S.Dittmaier et al., PRD 70 (2004), and J.Campbell et al. in LesHouches 2003 proceedings, hep-ph/0405302

## $M_h$ dependence – 1 *b* tagged

# Comparison with *b* quark PDF approach by J.Campbell, R.K.Ellis, F.Maltoni, and S.Willenbrock:



 $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$ : from S.Dawson, C.Jackson, L.Reina, D.W., hep-ph/0408077, see also S.Dittmaier *et al.*, PRD 70 (2004)  $gb(\bar{b}) \rightarrow b(\bar{b})h$ : from J.Campbell *et al.* in LesHouches 2003 procs. (hep-ph/0405302) and closed top quark loop added to MCFM (J.Campbell *et al.*, PRD67 095002 (2003))

 $M_h$  dependence – 0 *b* tagged (VFS)

from R.Harlander, W.Kilgore, Phys.Rev. D68 (2003) 013001





## Effect of NLO QCD corrections on the Higgs $p_T$ distribution:

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from S.Dawson, C.Jackson, L.Reina, D.W., hep-ph/0408077

## Summary

- Higgs production in association with b quarks is an important Higgs production mode in models with an enhanced b quark Yukawa coupling, e.g. for large values of tan β in the 2HDM, MSSM.
- It is crucial to know the impact of QCD corrections.
- There has been considerable improvement in obtaining stable QCD predictions for inclusive, semi-inclusive and exclusive Higgs production in association with *b* quarks (for a review see, e.g., J.Campbell *et al.*, LesHouches 2003 proceedings, hep-ph/0405302):

 $\rightarrow$  In all three cases, at NLO (NNLO) QCD the factorization/renormalization scale dependence is strongly reduced.

•  $p\bar{p}, pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$  production has been calculated at NLO QCD based on the  $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$  parton level processes independently by two groups:

 $\rightarrow$  Results have been obtained for the inclusive, semi-inclusive and exclusive case. They are in good numerical agreement.

 $\rightarrow$  In the exclusive case (2 b-tagged), the remaining theoretical uncertainty is estimated to be about 15-20% (Tevatron,LHC) due to residual scale dependence and about 15-20% (Tevatron,LHC) due to *b* quark Yukawa coupling renormalization scheme dependence.

- Semi-inclusive b(b)h production based on b(b)g → b(b)h has been calculated at NLO QCD using the b quark PDF approach (5FNS).
   → The two NLO calculations, based on gg, qq̄ → bbh (4FNS) and gb(b) → b(b)h (5FNS) subprocesses, agree within their respective theoretical uncertainties.
- Inclusive (bb)h production based on b quark fusion, bb → h, is known at NNLO QCD (5FNS).

 $\rightarrow$  The predictions based on  $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$  (4FNS) and  $b\bar{b} \rightarrow h$  (5FNS) subprocesses agree reasonably well within their respective theoretical uncertainties.

# Possible improvements and outlook:

- 4FNS: Identification and resummation of large logarithms,  $\ln(M_h/m_b)$ , arising when integrating over the *b* quark  $p_T$ .
- Estimate of theoretical uncertainty on cross sections to Higgs production in association with *b* quarks due to PDF uncertainties.

see, e.g, talk by Chris Jackson at this workshop