

# Associated Production of Top Quarks and Charged Higgs Bosons @LHC @NLO

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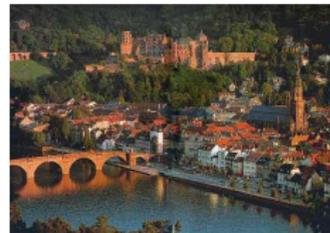
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# Charged Higgs production cross section @NLO

- Existing calculations

Shou-Hua Zhu (2001) [[hep-ph/0112109](#)],

Tilman Plehn (2002) [[hep-ph/0206121](#)]

- Results

- most optimistic choice of parameters gives ( $10^{-2} < \sigma < 1$ ) pb
- important NLO QCD corrections  $1.2 < K\text{-factor} < 1.5$
- SUSY loop contributions negligible
- phase-space slicing  
logarithmic dependence on the cut-off parameter, not optimized for a Monte Carlo (MC) event generator

- Where we come in:

Do the NLO calculation again with another regularisation method and implement it in a MC!

# The Charged Higgs Boson

- The 2 Higgs Doublet Model (2HDM)

Standard Model

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 + i\varphi_2 \\ \varphi_3 + i\varphi_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

4 d.o.f.

$$\langle \phi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

→ 1 physical Higgs boson  
 $h^0$

2HDM

$$\phi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 + i\varphi_2 \\ \varphi_3 + i\varphi_4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_5 + i\varphi_6 \\ \varphi_7 + i\varphi_8 \end{pmatrix}$$

8 d.o.f.

electroweak symmetry breaking

3 d.o.f. →  $m_{W^\pm}, m_Z$

$$\langle \phi_1 \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \langle \phi_2 \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

→  $\tan \beta = \frac{v_2}{v_1}$

→ 5 physical Higgs bosons  
 $h^0, H^0, A^0, H^\pm$

- Charged Higgs boson coupling (type II)

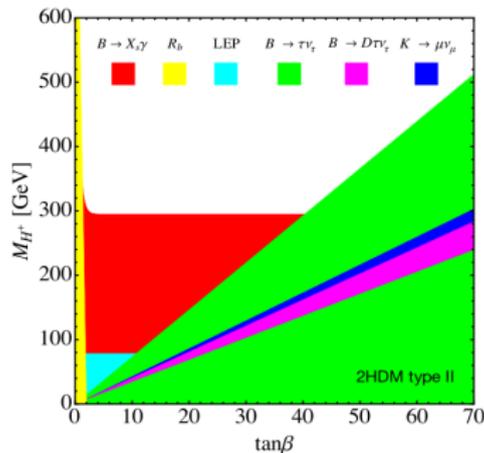
$$\mathcal{L} \propto H^+ \bar{u}_i \left( \frac{m_{u_i}}{\tan \beta} P_L + m_{d_j} \tan \beta P_R \right) d_j \quad \text{with } P_{R/L} = 1/2(1 \pm \gamma^5)$$

# Constraints for the 2HDM

## Experimental constraints (Courtesy of U. Haisch)

### Theoretical constraints

- $\rho = \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2 \cos^2 \theta_W} = 1$  satisfied at leading order for singlets and doublets.
- Avoid flavor changing neutral currents (FCNC) by imposing the structure of the coupling to type II (Glashow-Weinberg theorem).



### Motivations for the 2HDM

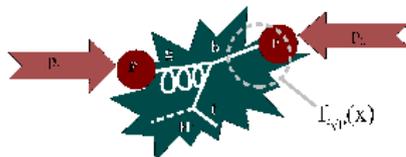
- It is the **minimal extension** of the SM scalar sector.
- It is a **mandatory extension** if you want SUSY to be realised in Nature.

# QCD cross section at NLO

## ● Hadronic cross section

$$\sigma(p_A, p_B) = \sum_{a,b} \int_0^1 dx_a f_{a/A}(x_a, \mu_F^2) \int_0^1 dx_b f_{b/B}(x_b, \mu_F^2) \sigma_{ab}(p_a, p_b)$$

*Factorisation theorem*



\* long distance physics  $\rightarrow$  non perturbative  $\rightarrow$  parton distribution functions  $f_{i/j}$  (PDFs)

\* short distance physics  $\rightarrow$  perturbative  $\rightarrow$  partonic cross section

## ● Partonic cross section

$$\sigma_{ab} = \int \frac{1}{\mathcal{F}} |g_s \mathcal{M}_B + g_s^2 \mathcal{M}_R + g_s^3 \mathcal{M}_V + \dots|^2 dPS$$

where  $\mathcal{F}$  is the flux,  $g_s$  the strong coupling,  $\mathcal{M}$  the matrix element and  $dPS$  the final state phase space.

Perturbative series in  $\alpha_s = \frac{g_s^2}{4\pi}$ :

$$\sigma^{(NLO)} = \alpha_s \sigma^{LO} + \alpha_s^2 \sigma^{NLO} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$

Leading Order  $LO$ /Born:  $\mathcal{M}_B \mathcal{M}_B$

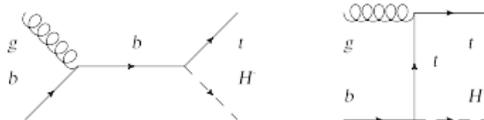
Next to Leading Order  $NLO$ :  $\mathcal{M}_B \mathcal{M}_V$  et  $\mathcal{M}_R \mathcal{M}_R$

- **NLO cross section**  $\sigma^{NLO} = \sigma^V + \sigma^R$ ,  $\sigma^R$  : real contributions,  $\sigma^V$  : virtual contributions

# Virtual contributions

- LO/Born:

Process  $2 \rightarrow 2$ :  $gb \rightarrow tH^-$  (s- and t-channel)



- NLO: virtual contributions

Process  $2 \rightarrow 2$ :  $gb \rightarrow tH^-$  + exchange of a virtual particle

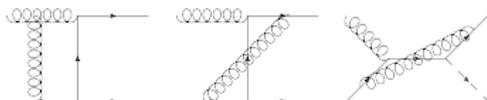
- Self-energies (bubbles)



- Vertex corrections (triangles)



- Boxes



# UV-Renormalization

- Virtual part of the cross section  $d\sigma^V = \frac{1}{\mathcal{F}} 2\text{Re}(\mathcal{M}^V \mathcal{M}^B) dPS^{(2)}$
- Dimensional Regularization:  $D = 4 \rightarrow D = 4 - 2\epsilon$  dimensions
- Renormalization
  - Counterterms by redefining the parameters in the Lagrangian ( $g_s, m, g_{yuk}$ )
  - Schemes: On-shell for the top quark,  $\bar{MS}$  for the b quark

$$d\sigma^V(\epsilon_{uv}^{-1}, \epsilon_{IR}^{-2}, \epsilon_{IR}^{-1}) \rightarrow d\sigma^V(\epsilon_{IR}^{-2}, \epsilon_{IR}^{-1})$$

# Virtual contributions

Double and simple poles in  $\epsilon$  after UV-Renormalization

$$d\sigma^V \propto \left( \frac{A_2}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{A_1}{\epsilon} \right) d\sigma_{4-2\epsilon}^B + A_0$$

$$A_2 = \frac{1}{2N_C} - \frac{3}{2}N_C$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \frac{1}{4N_C} \left[ 5 - 4 \ln \left( \frac{m_t^2 - u}{m_t^2} \right) \right] \\ &+ \frac{N_C}{12} \left[ -37 + 12 \ln \left( \frac{s}{m_t^2} \right) + 12 \ln \left( \frac{m_t^2 - t}{m_t^2} \right) \right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{3}N_F \end{aligned}$$

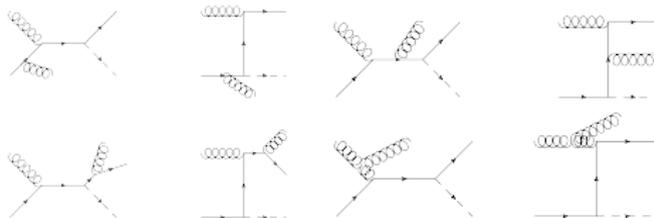
where  $s, t, u$  are the Mandelstam variables for a  $2 \rightarrow 2$  process (kinematics).

# Real emission contributions

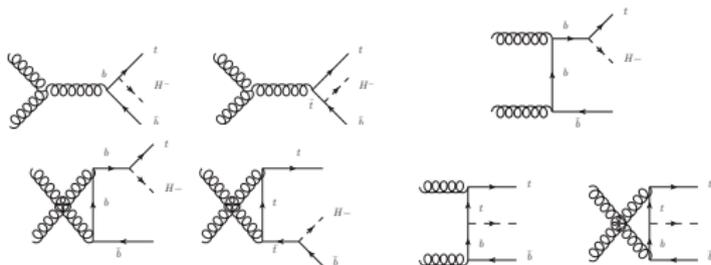
- NLO: real emission

Process 2  $\rightarrow$  3

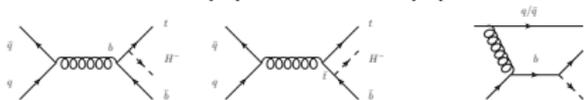
- $gb \rightarrow tH^-g$



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



- $q\bar{q} \rightarrow tH^- \bar{b}$ ,  $q(\bar{q})b \rightarrow tH^- q(\bar{q})$



# A Real Emission Result

- Example of the double pole structure of  $gb \rightarrow tH^-g$

$$|\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow 3}|^2 \propto |\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow 2}|^2 \left[ \frac{1}{N_C} \left( \frac{m_t^2}{s_4^2} - \frac{t_1}{s_4 t'} \right) + N_C \left( \frac{s}{t' u'} + \frac{u_1}{s_4 t'} - \frac{m_t^2}{s_4^2} \right) \right]$$

where  $s_4, t_1, u_1, t', u'$  are Mandelstam variables for the  $2 \rightarrow 3$  process.

# Computing the NLO cross section

A job well done ...



- ... but ...

$$\sigma^{NLO} = \int_{2+1} d\sigma^R + \int_2 d\sigma^V$$

$\sigma^{NLO}$  is finite,  $\sigma^R$  and  $\sigma^V$  are divergent and we need to separate the pieces in order to do the integration, since they involve different phase spaces.

- (Some) Solutions
  - **Phase space slicing**  
separate the singular regions using a cut-off parameter in phase space
  - **Frixione-Kunszt-Signer formalism (FKS)**  
extract the pole structure from the real part
  - **Catani-Seymour dipole subtraction (CS)**

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FKS

CS

phase space slicing

# The massive Catani-Seymour dipole subtraction formalism

- Numerically integrable cross section

$$\sigma^{NLO} = \int_{m+1} [(d\sigma^R)_{\epsilon=0} - (d\sigma^A)_{\epsilon=0}] + \int_m \left[ d\sigma^V + \int_1 d\sigma^A \right]_{\epsilon=0}$$

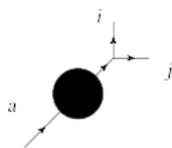
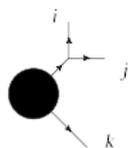
Define an auxiliary term  $d\sigma^A$  which has the same pole structure as  $R$  (  $\rightarrow$  local counterterm ) and is analytically integrable over the singular one-particle subspace.

- Since the divergencies come from universal splitting kernels  $\rightarrow$  process-independent method!

# Dipole construction

FS emitter, FS spectator

$$\mathcal{D}_{ij,k}$$

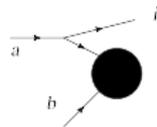
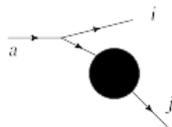


FS emitter, IS spectator

$$\mathcal{D}_{ij}^a$$

IS emitter, FS spectator

$$\mathcal{D}_j^{ai}$$



IS emitter, IS spectator

$$\mathcal{D}^{ai,b}$$

For a specific pole  $\rightarrow$  collect contributions from all the spectators  $\rightarrow$  color sub-structures rather than pole sub-structures

# Virtual and real dipoles

- Dipole for the virtual part

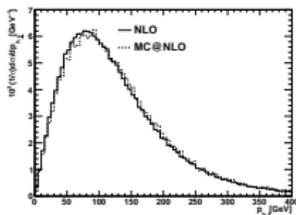
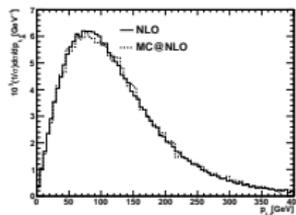
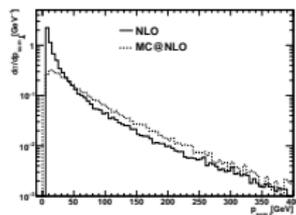
$$\int_1 d\sigma^A = d\sigma^B \otimes \mathbf{I} \text{ with } \mathbf{I} = -\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{(4\pi)^\epsilon}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \left(\frac{\mu^2}{m_t^2}\right)^\epsilon \left(\frac{A_2}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{A_1}{\epsilon} + A'_0\right)$$

- Dipoles for the real part

- $gb$  initial states:  $\mathcal{D}_{gt}^g$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_{gt}^b$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_t^{gg}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^{gg,b}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_t^{bg}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^{bg,g}$
- $gg$  initial states:  $\mathcal{D}^{g_1 b, g_2}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_t^{g_1 b}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^{g_2 b, g_1}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_t^{g_2 b}$
- $q(/q) b$  initial states:  $\mathcal{D}^{qq,b}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_t^{qq}$

# $tH^-$ in MC@NLO

- FKS dipoles implementation by Amsterdam, relies heavily on  $Wt$ , all mass range available for  $m_{H^-}$ .  
For  $m_{H^-} < m_t$ : diagram subtraction/removal
- Details can be found in [Weydert et al. 0912.3430 \[hep-ph\]](#)

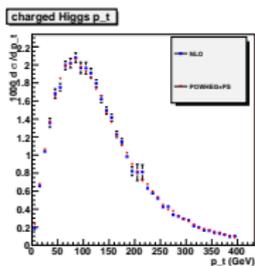
(g) charged Higgs  $p_T$ (h) top  $p_T$ (i) CH+top  $p_T$ 

- Major drawbacks of MC@NLO
  - negative weight events
  - Parton-shower dependent, only HERWIG available at the moment (PYTHIA under construction)

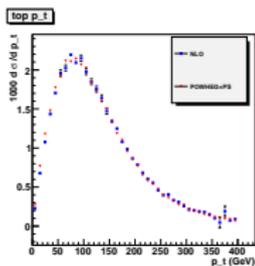
# $tH^-$ in POWHEG-BOX (Preliminary!!!)

POWHEG-BOX 1002.2581 [*hep - ph*]

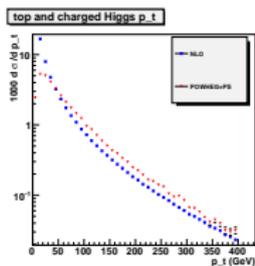
- User-friendly implementation framework: provide polarized Born  $B^{\mu\nu}(p^i)$ , finite part of the virtual corrections  $V_{fin}(p^i)$  and the real corrections  $R(p^i)$
- automated calculation of FKS-dipoles
- coupled to HERWIG for the parton shower, FASTJET for jet reconstruction to compare with the MC@NLO implementation
- currently testing different parameter sets



(j) charged Higgs  $p_T$



(k) top  $p_T$



(l) CH+top  $p_T$

# Summary

- Calculation
  - NLO codes using phase space slicing, FKS dipoles and CS dipoles all agree
- Implementation in ...
  - ... MC@NLO: should be available soon
  - ... POWHEG: checks are in progress

# Outlook

- study PS and jet reconstruction
- compare to existing implementations
- add the  $m_{H^-} < m_t$  case (diagram subtraction/removal)
- resummation

# Backup slides

# Example of a dipole

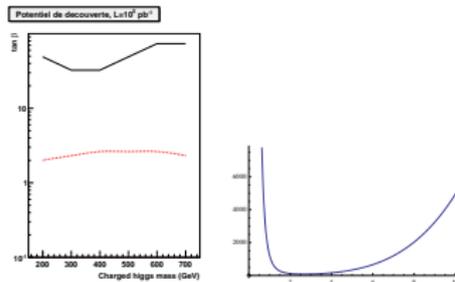
$$\mathcal{D}_{gt}^b = -\frac{1}{2p_g \cdot p_t} \frac{1}{x} \langle \dots, \tilde{t}, \dots; \tilde{b}, \dots \mid \frac{\mathbf{T}_a \cdot \mathbf{T}_{\tilde{t}}}{\mathbf{T}_{\tilde{t}}^2} \mathbf{V}_{gt}^b \mid \dots, \tilde{t}, \dots; \tilde{b}, \dots \rangle$$

- $\frac{1}{2p_g \cdot p_t}$  responsible for the divergence in the soft/(quasi)-collinear limit
- $\frac{1}{x}$  permits a smooth interpolation between soft and (quasi)-collinear
- $\frac{\mathbf{T}_a \cdot \mathbf{T}_{\tilde{t}}}{\mathbf{T}_{\tilde{t}}^2}$  determines the color structure
- $\mathbf{V}_{gt}^b$  contains the Altarelli-Parisi splitting kernel
- $\langle \dots, \tilde{t}, \dots; \tilde{b}, \dots \mid \dots \mid \dots, \tilde{t}, \dots; \tilde{b}, \dots \rangle$  is the Born amplitude squared with modified kinematics

# Outlook

- Experiment

- Discovery potential for  $\sqrt{s} = 14\text{TeV}$  with a very basic analysis for  $H^+ \rightarrow tb$   
→ very challenging channel, high luminosity mandatory



(m) Discovery potential (n)  $\tan\beta$  dependence

- Studies in CMS and ATLAS also for  $H^- \rightarrow \tau\nu$

→ very challenging topology in either case (b-tag, tau identification, neutrinos, huge QCD background, ... ) What we can/plan to do with the first data: background studies