



Higgs Physics

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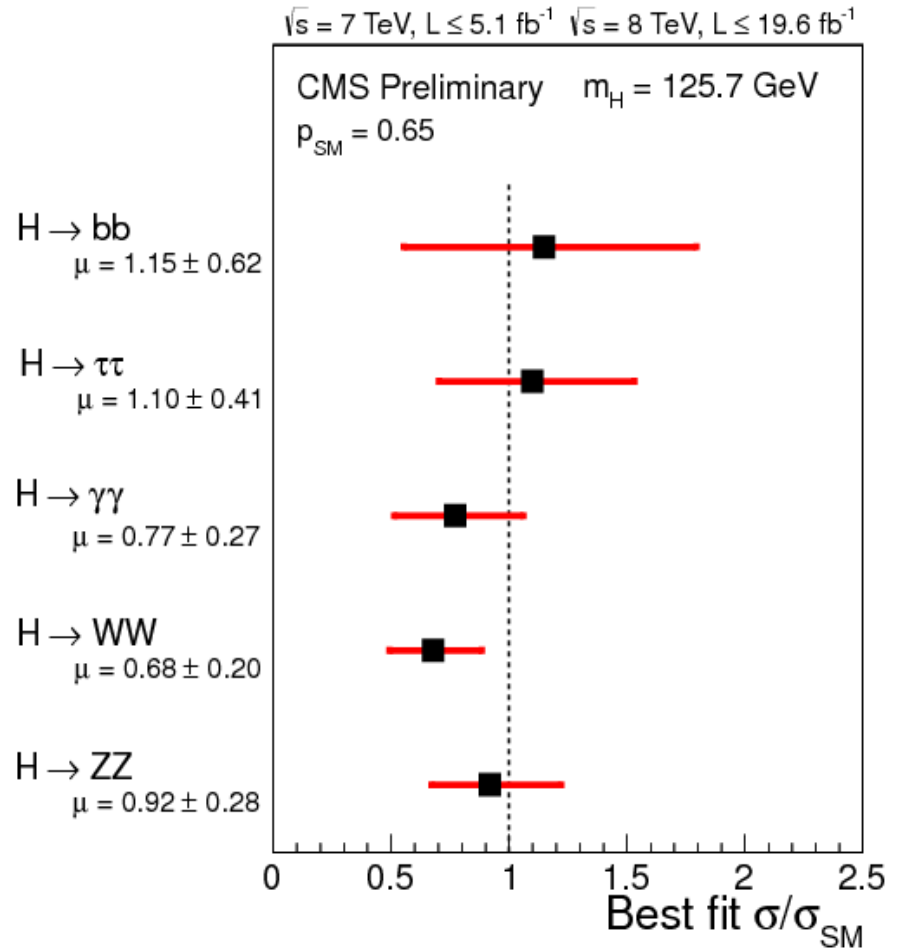
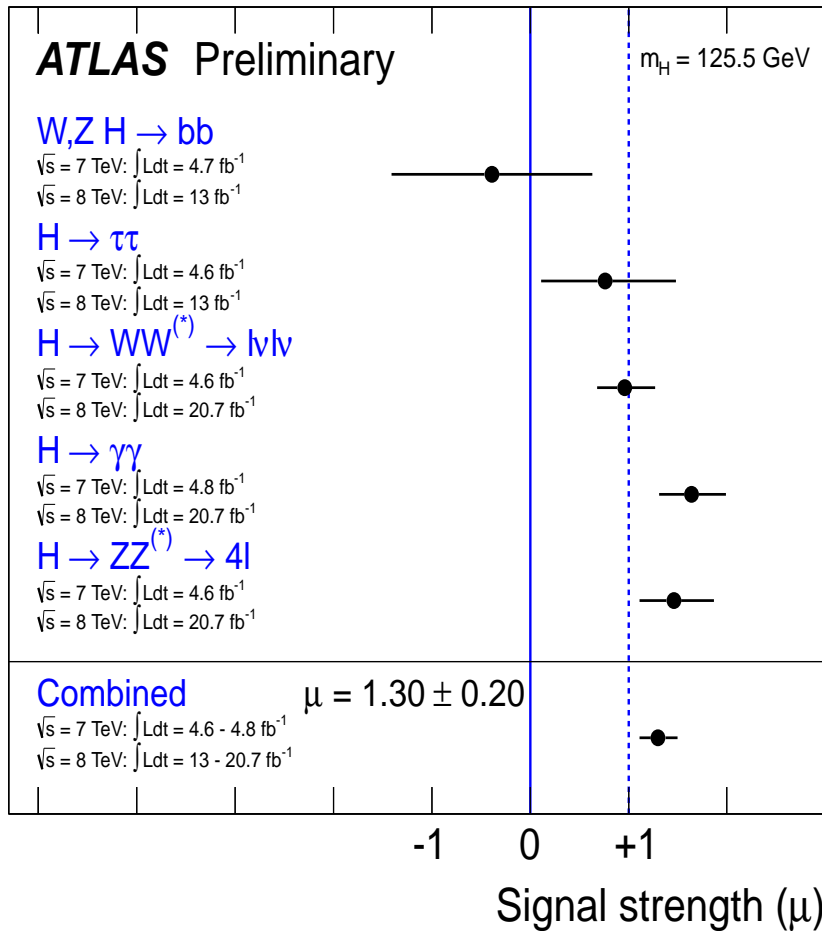
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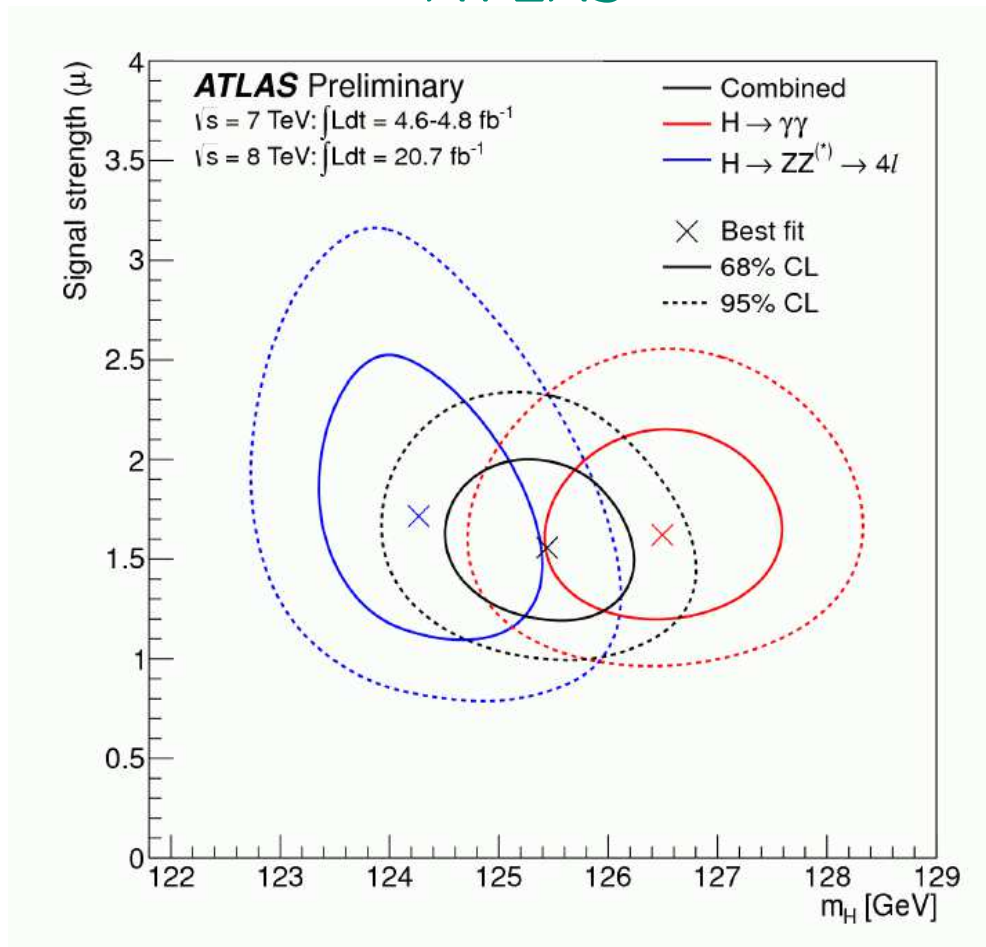
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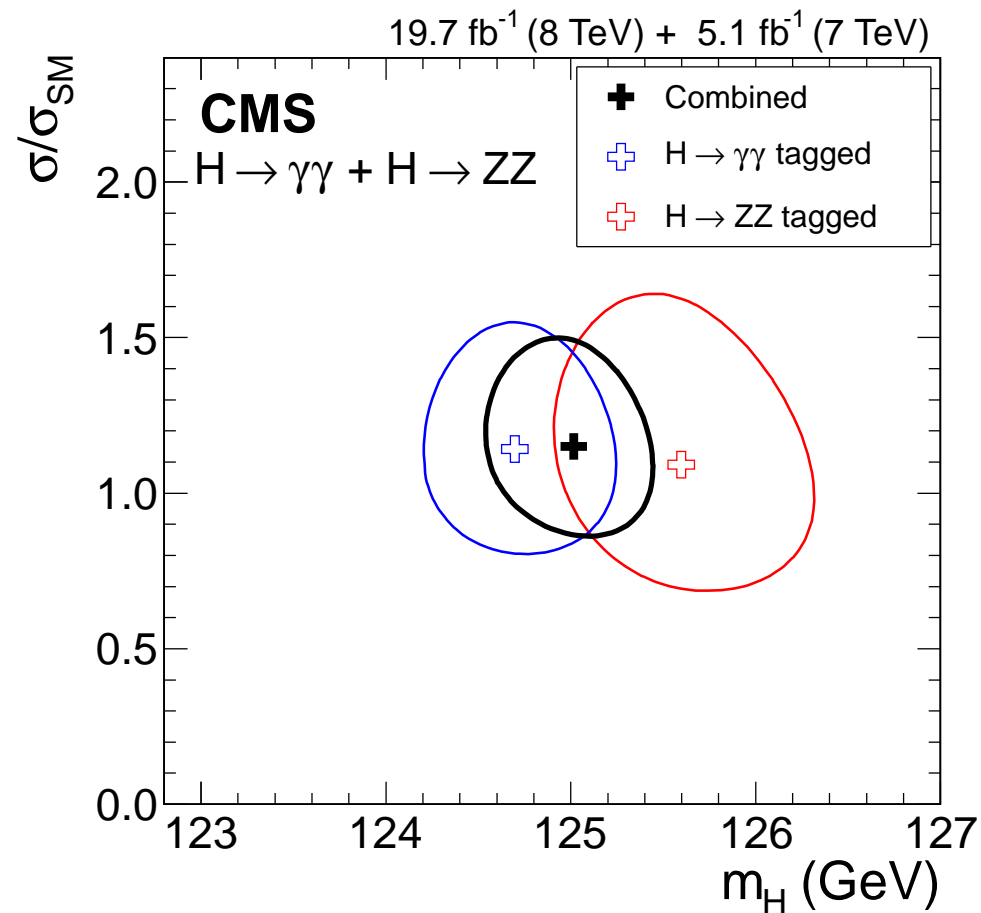
Mass measurement:

ATLAS



$$M_H = 125.36 \pm 0.37 \pm 0.18 \text{ GeV}$$

CMS



$$M_H = 125.03 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.15 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{Combined: } M_H = 125.09 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.11 \text{ GeV}$$

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\Rightarrow Overview about implications/predictions in/for the SM and SUSY!

2. Why Higgs?

Current status of knowledge: the Standard Model (SM)

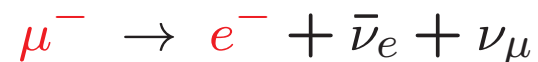
1. family: quarks: d, u leptons: e^-, ν_e (neutrino)
2. family: quarks: s, c leptons: μ^-, ν_μ (neutrino)
3. family: quarks: b, t leptons: τ^-, ν_τ (neutrino)

In total:

6 quarks and 6 leptons

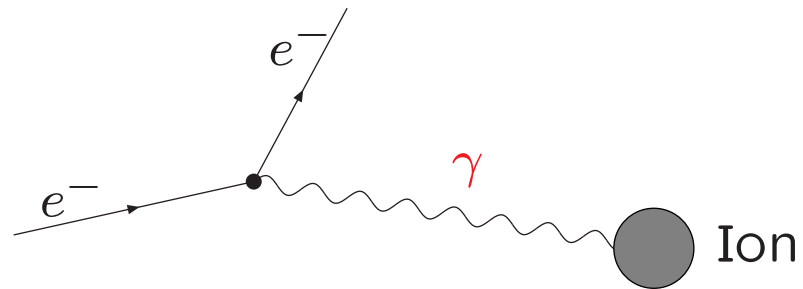
The heavier particles (2. and 3. family) decay in very short time into the lighter particles (1. family)

Example:

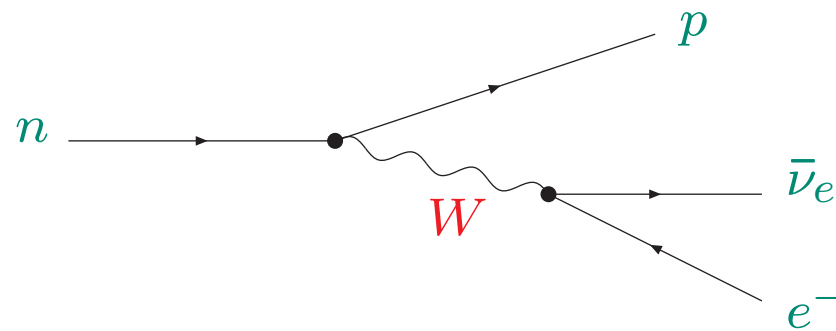


Forces and force particles (I):

1. electromagnetic force: photon: γ

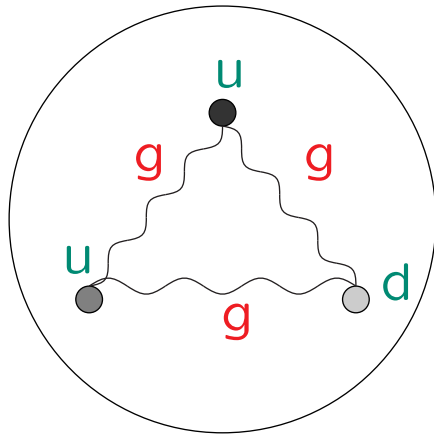


2. weak force: W^+ , W^- , Z^0

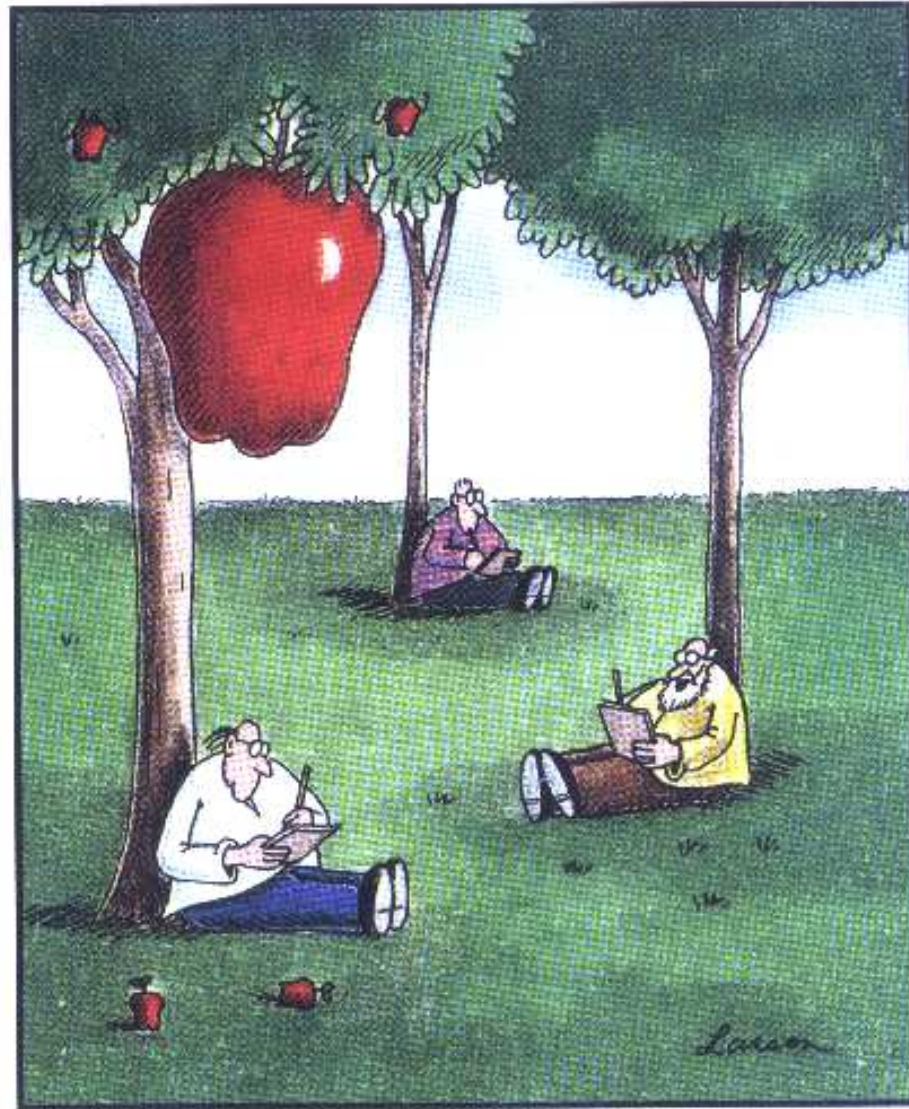


Forces and force particles (II):

3. strong force: gluon: g



4. gravitational force: graviton(?)



"Nothing yet. ... How about you, Newton?"

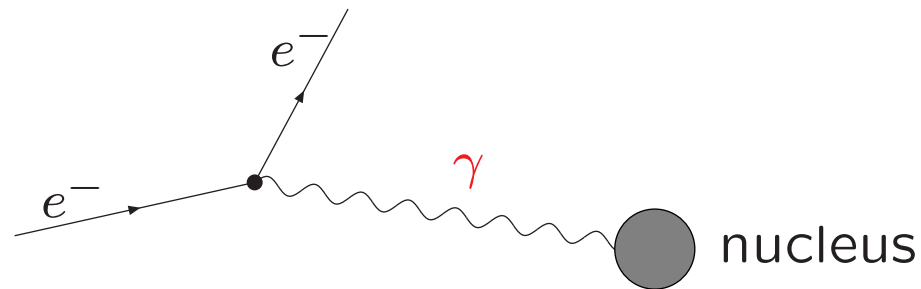
Standard Model (SM) of the electroweak and strong interaction

SM: Quantum field theory \Rightarrow interaction: exchange of field quanta

Construction principle of the SM: gauge invariance

Example: Quantum electro-dynamics (QED)

field quanta: photon A_μ



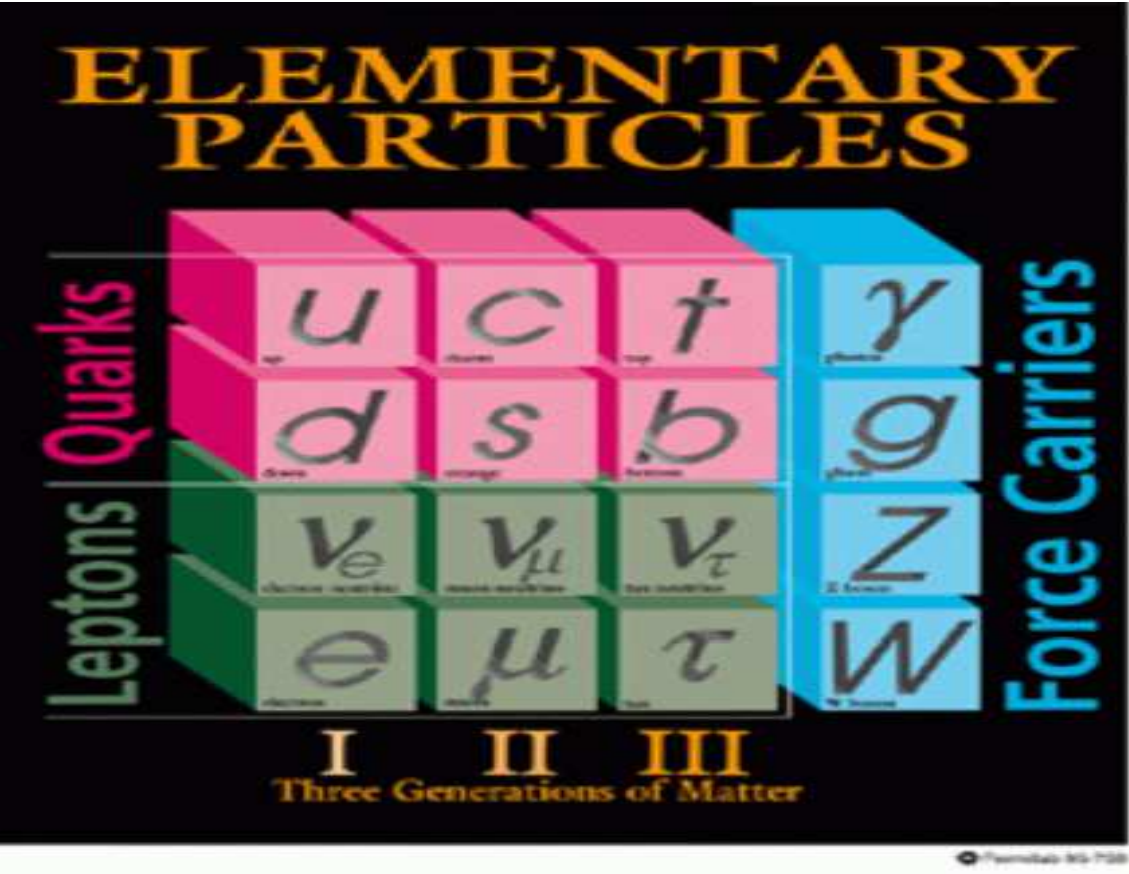
\mathcal{L}_{QED} invariant under gauge transformation:

$$\Psi \rightarrow e^{ie\lambda(x)}\Psi, \quad A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu + \partial_\mu\lambda(x)$$

mass term for photon: $m^2 A^\mu A_\mu$ not gauge invariant

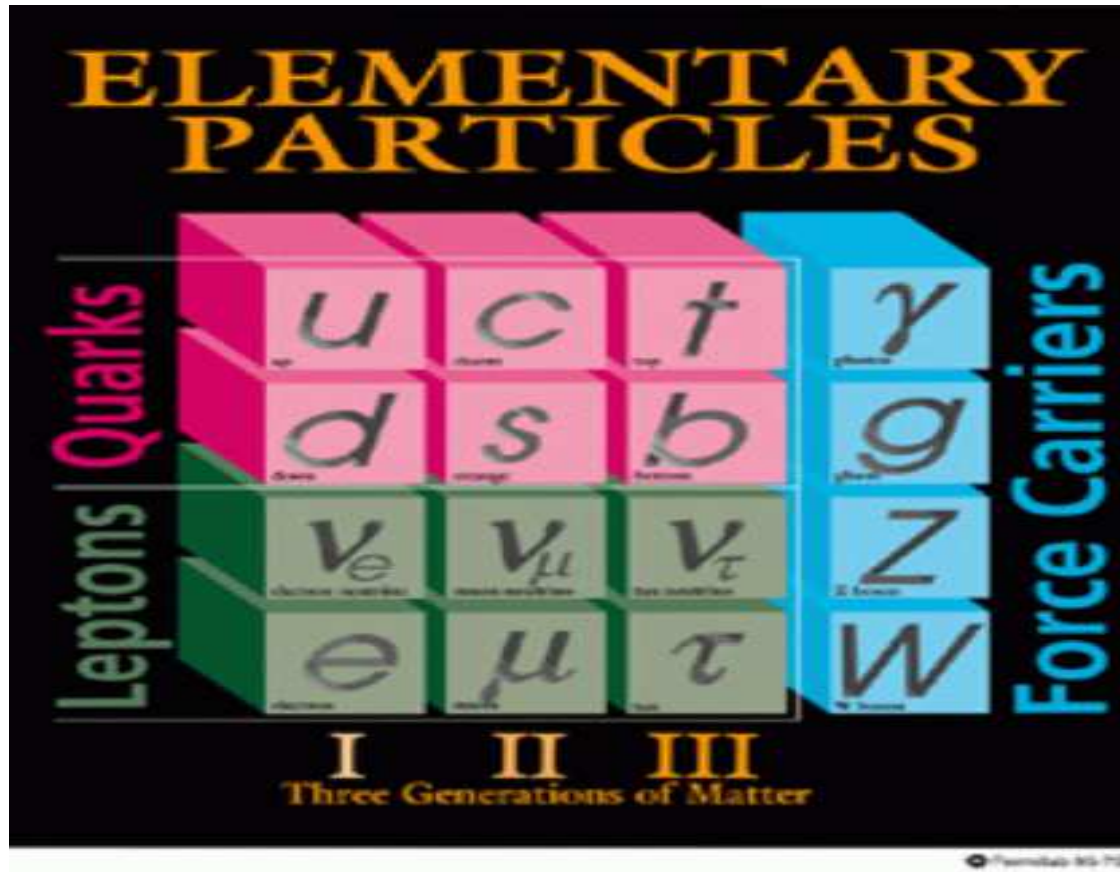
$\Rightarrow A_\mu$ is massless gauge field

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⇒ but it predicts massless gauge bosons ...

Problem:

Gauge fields Z , W^+ , W^- are **massive**

explicit mass terms in the Lagrangian \Leftrightarrow breaking of gauge invariance

Solution: Higgs mechanism

scalar field postulated, mass terms from coupling to Higgs field

Higgs sector in the Standard Model:

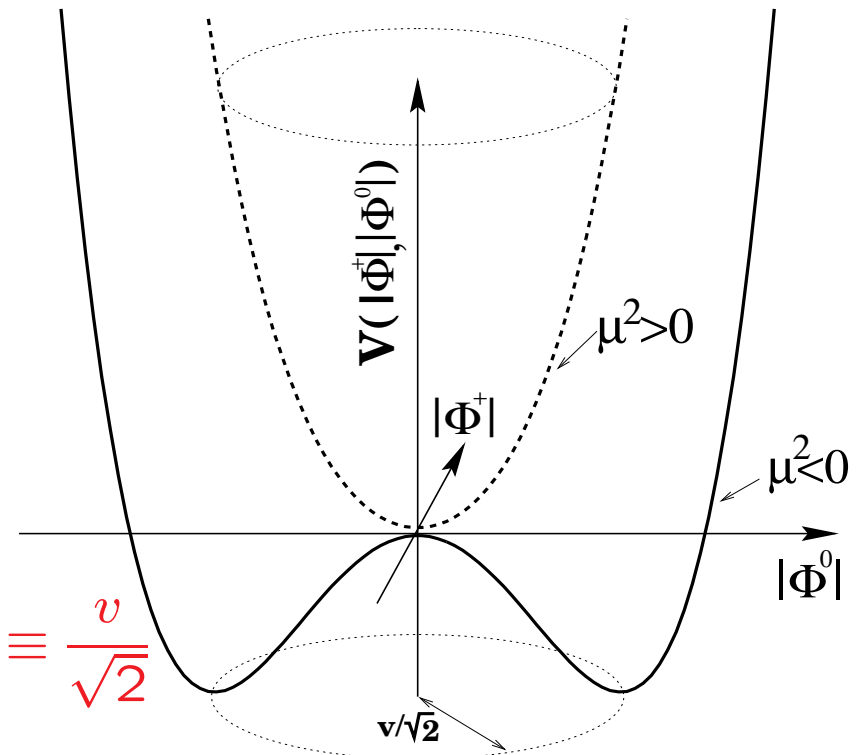
Scalar SU(2) doublet: $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$

Higgs potential:

$$V(\phi) = \mu^2 |\Phi^\dagger \Phi| + \lambda |\Phi^\dagger \Phi|^2, \quad \lambda > 0$$

$\mu^2 < 0$: Spontaneous symmetry breaking

minimum of potential at $|\langle \Phi_0 \rangle| = \sqrt{\frac{-\mu^2}{2\lambda}} \equiv \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$



$$\Phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{unitary gauge})$$

H : elementary scalar field, Higgs boson

Lagrange density:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs}} = & (D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger (D^\mu \Phi) \\ & - g_d \bar{Q}_L \Phi d_R - g_u \bar{Q}_L \Phi_c u_R \\ & - V(\Phi) \end{aligned}$$

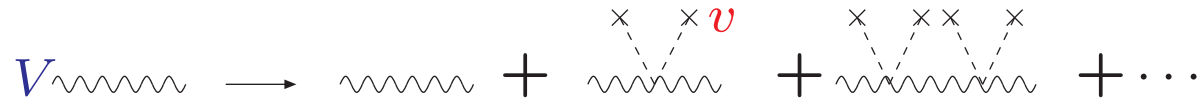
with

$$\begin{aligned} iD_\mu &= i\partial_\mu - g_2 \vec{I} \vec{W}_\mu - g_1 Y B_\mu \\ \Phi_c &= i\sigma_2 \Phi^* \quad Q_L \sim \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi_c \sim \begin{pmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Gauge invariant coupling to gauge fields

\Rightarrow mass terms for gauge bosons and fermions

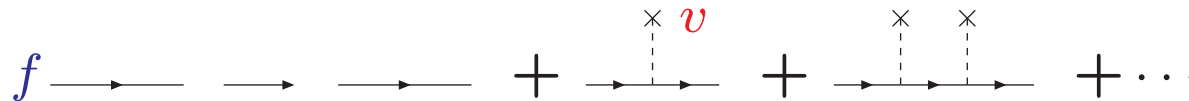
1.) $VV\Phi\Phi$ coupling:



The diagram shows the expansion of a wavy line V . It starts with a single wavy line, followed by a plus sign and a wavy line with two dashed lines (representing Φ) attached to it, one of which is labeled v . This is followed by another plus sign and a wavy line with three dashed lines attached, and finally a plus sign and an ellipsis.

$$\frac{1}{q^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{q^2} + \sum_j \frac{1}{q^2} \left[\left(\frac{gv}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 \frac{1}{q^2} \right]^j = \frac{1}{q^2 - M^2} : M^2 = g^2 \frac{v^2}{2} \Rightarrow M \propto g$$

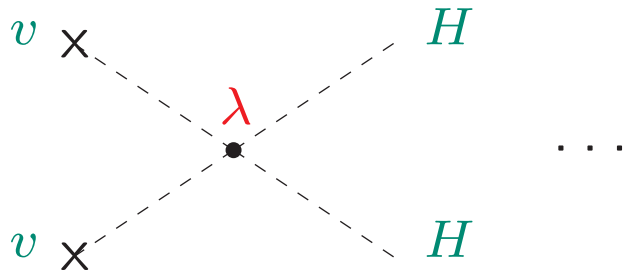
2.) fermion mass terms: Yukawa couplings:



The diagram shows the expansion of a fermion line f . It starts with a single fermion line, followed by a plus sign and a fermion line with one dashed line (representing Φ) attached to it, labeled v . This is followed by another plus sign and a fermion line with two dashed lines attached, and finally a plus sign and an ellipsis.

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3.) mass of the Higgs boson: self coupling

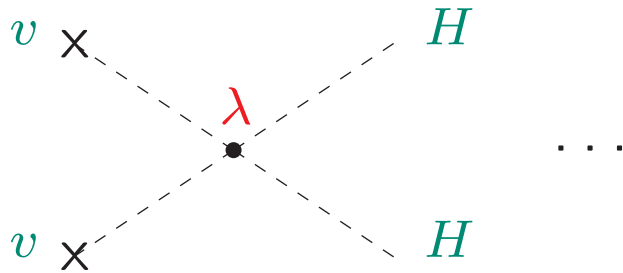


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⇒ establish Higgs mechanism \equiv find the Higgs \oplus measure its couplings

Another effect of the Higgs field:

Scattering of longitudinal W bosons: $W_L W_L \rightarrow W_L W_L$

$$\mathcal{M}_V = \text{[diagram: } W \text{ and } W \text{ lines connected by } \gamma, Z \text{ exchange]} + \text{[diagram: } \gamma, Z \text{ exchange]} + \text{[diagram: contact term]} = -g^2 \frac{E^2}{M_W^2} + \mathcal{O}(1)$$

for $E \rightarrow \infty$

\Rightarrow violation of unitarity

Contribution of a scalar particle with couplings prop. to the mass:

$$\mathcal{M}_S = \text{[diagram: } W \text{ and } W \text{ lines connected by } H \text{ exchange]} + \text{[diagram: } H \text{ exchange]} = g_{WWH}^2 \frac{E^2}{M_W^4} + \mathcal{O}(1)$$

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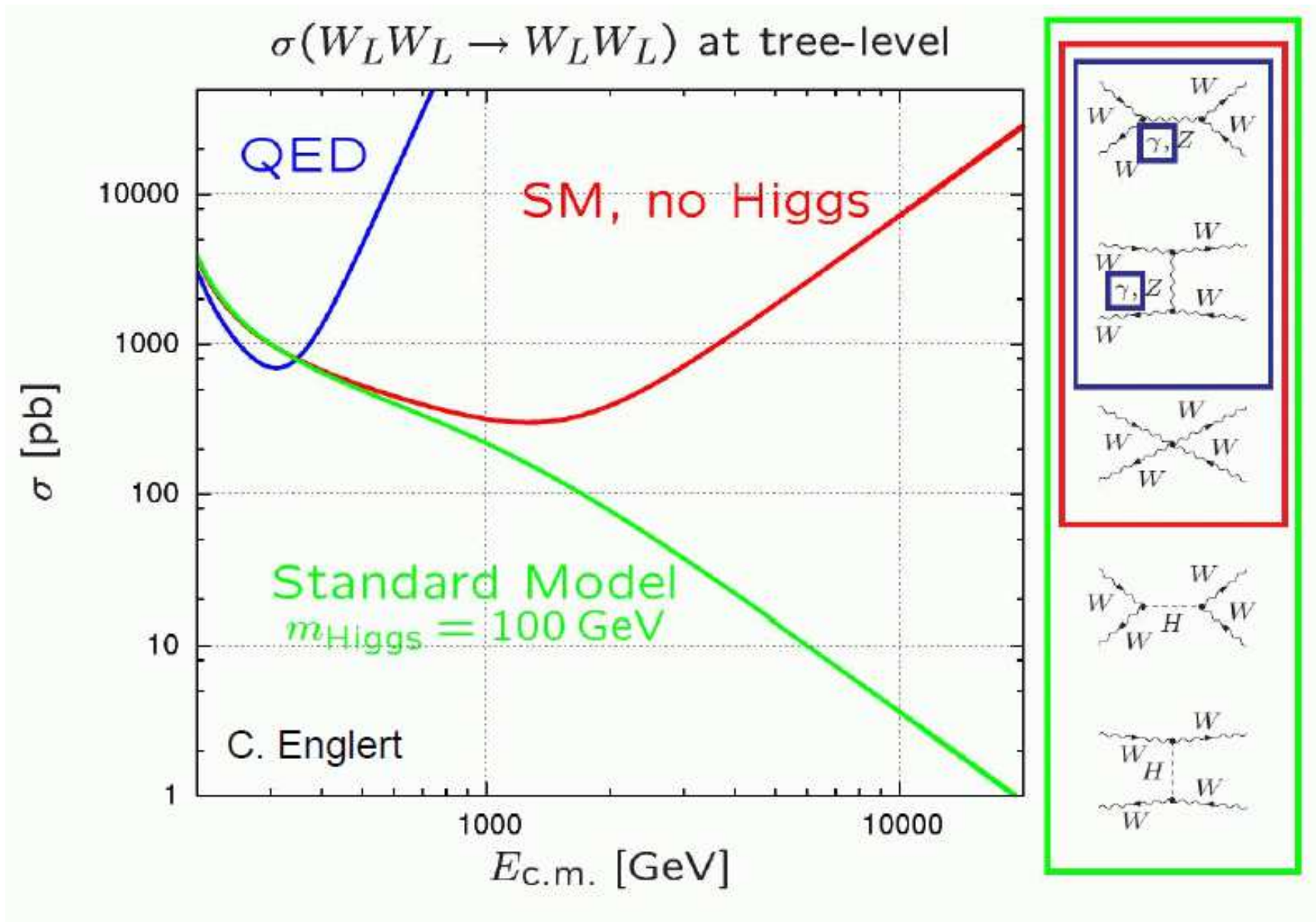
$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{tot}} = \mathcal{M}_V + \mathcal{M}_S = \frac{E^2}{M_W^4} \left(g_{WWH}^2 - g^2 M_W^2 \right) + \dots$$

\Rightarrow compensation of terms with bad high-energy behavior for

$$g_{WWH} = g M_W$$

Cross section with/without the Higgs:

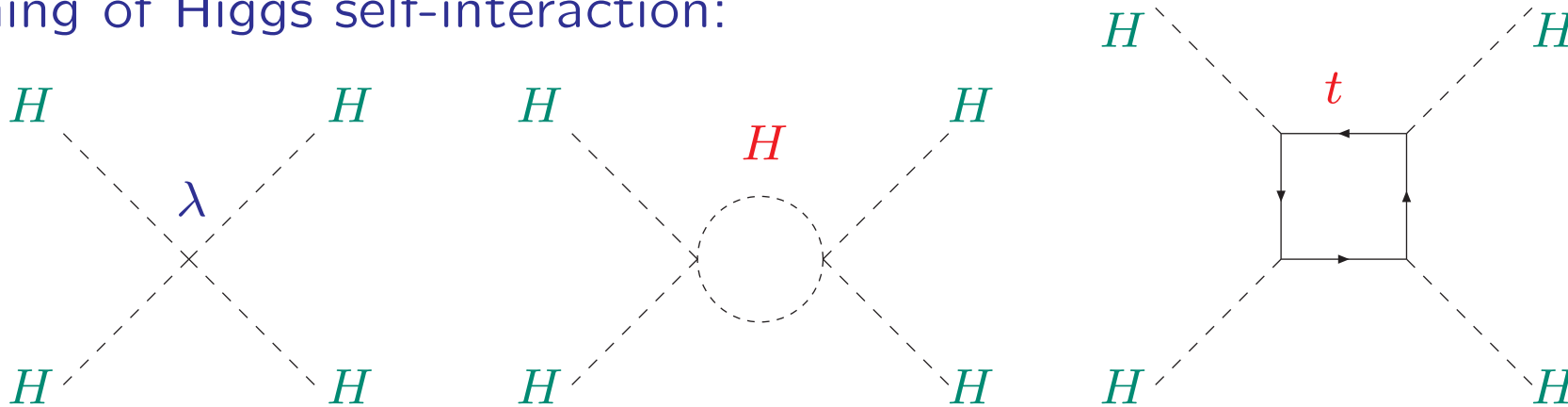
[taken from M. Schumacher '12 / C. Englert]



3. Predictions for the SM Higgs mass before discovery

What else do we know about the Higgs boson?

Running of Higgs self-interaction:



Renormalization group equation:

$$\frac{d\lambda}{dt} = \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left[\lambda^2 + \lambda g_t^2 - g_t^4 + \frac{1}{16} (2g_2^4 + (g_2^2 + g_1^2)^2) \right], \quad t = \log \left(\frac{Q^2}{v^2} \right)$$

Two conditions:

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$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\lambda}{dt} &= \frac{3}{8\pi^2} [\lambda^2] \\ \Rightarrow \lambda(Q^2) &= \frac{\lambda(v^2)}{1 - \frac{3\lambda(v^2)}{8\pi^2} \log\left(\frac{Q^2}{v^2}\right)}\end{aligned}$$

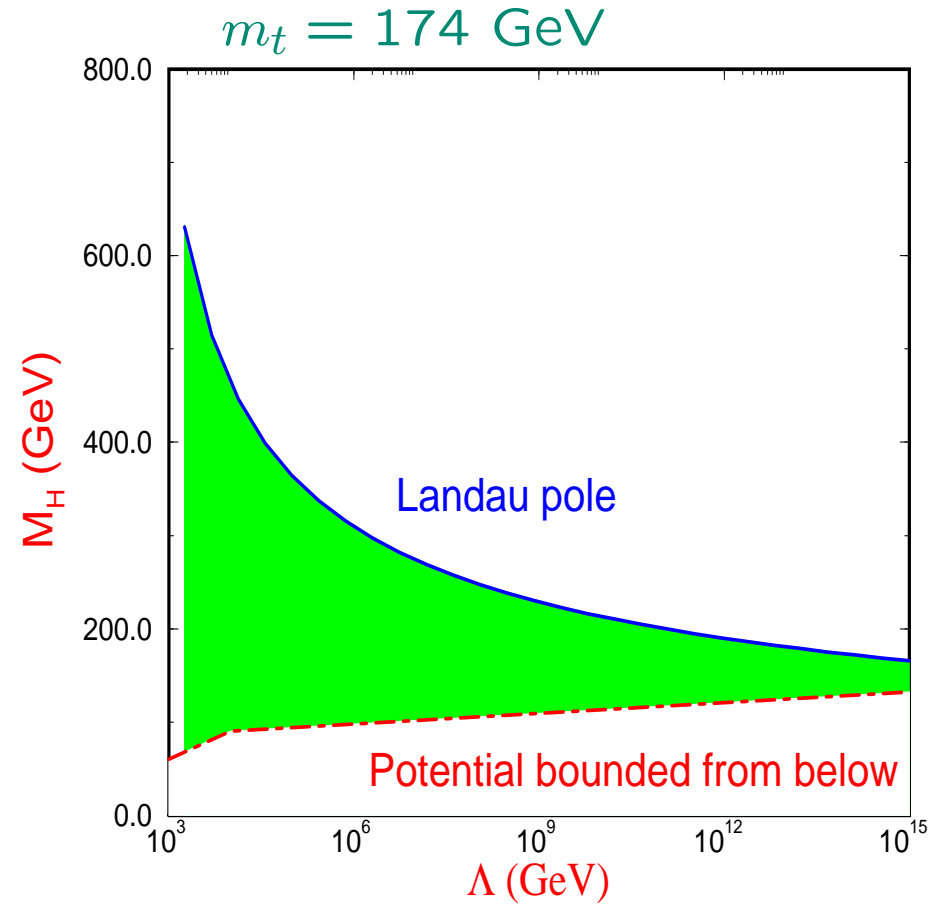
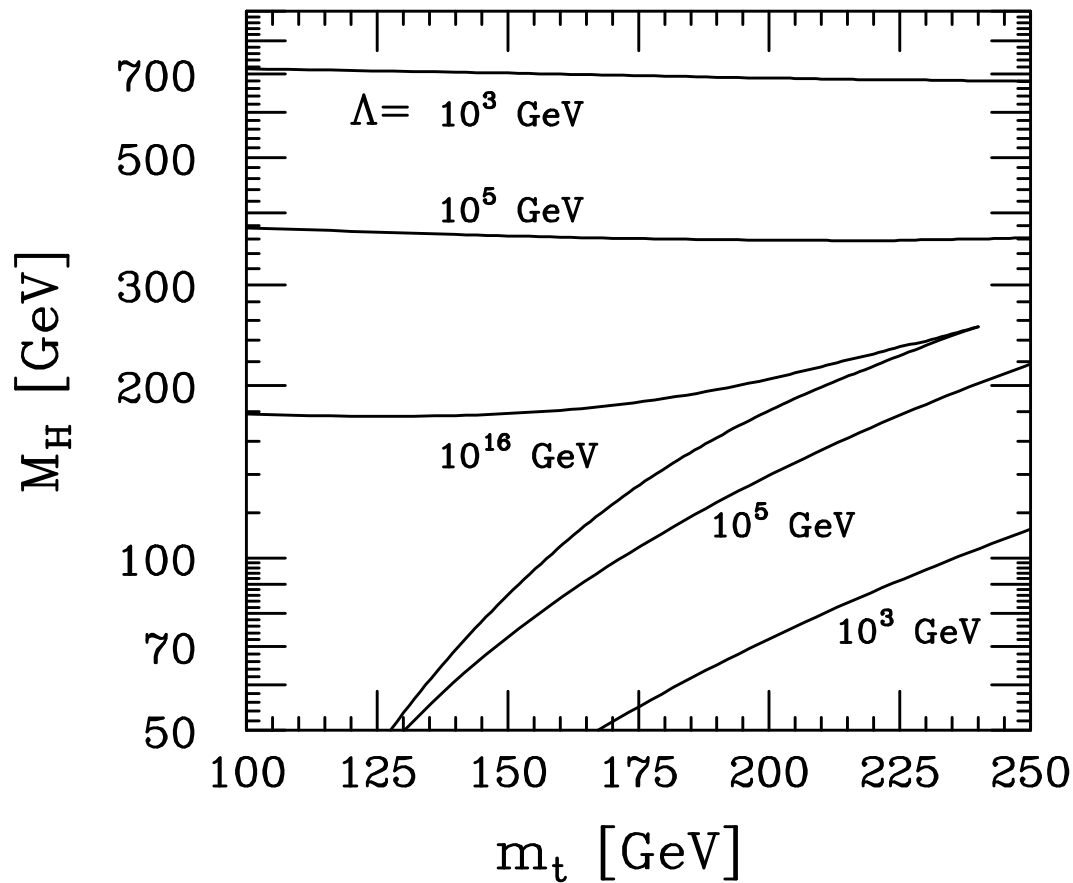
$$\lambda(\Lambda) < \infty \Rightarrow M_H^2 \leq \frac{8\pi^2 v^2}{3 \log\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{v^2}\right)} : \text{upper bound on } M_H$$

2.) avoid vacuum instability (for small/negative λ): $V(v) < V(0) \Rightarrow \lambda(\Lambda) > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\lambda}{dt} &= \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left[-g_t^4 + \frac{1}{16} (2g_2^4 + (g_2^2 + g_1^2)^2) \right] \\ \Rightarrow \lambda(Q^2) &= \lambda(v^2) \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left[-g_t^4 + \frac{1}{16} (2g_2^4 + (g_2^2 + g_1^2)^2) \right] \log\left(\frac{Q^2}{v^2}\right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda(\Lambda) > 0 \Rightarrow M_H^2 > \frac{v^2}{4\pi^2} \left[-g_t^4 + \frac{1}{16} (2g_2^4 + (g_2^2 + g_1^2)^2) \right] \log\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{v^2}\right) : \text{lower bound}$$

Both limits combined:

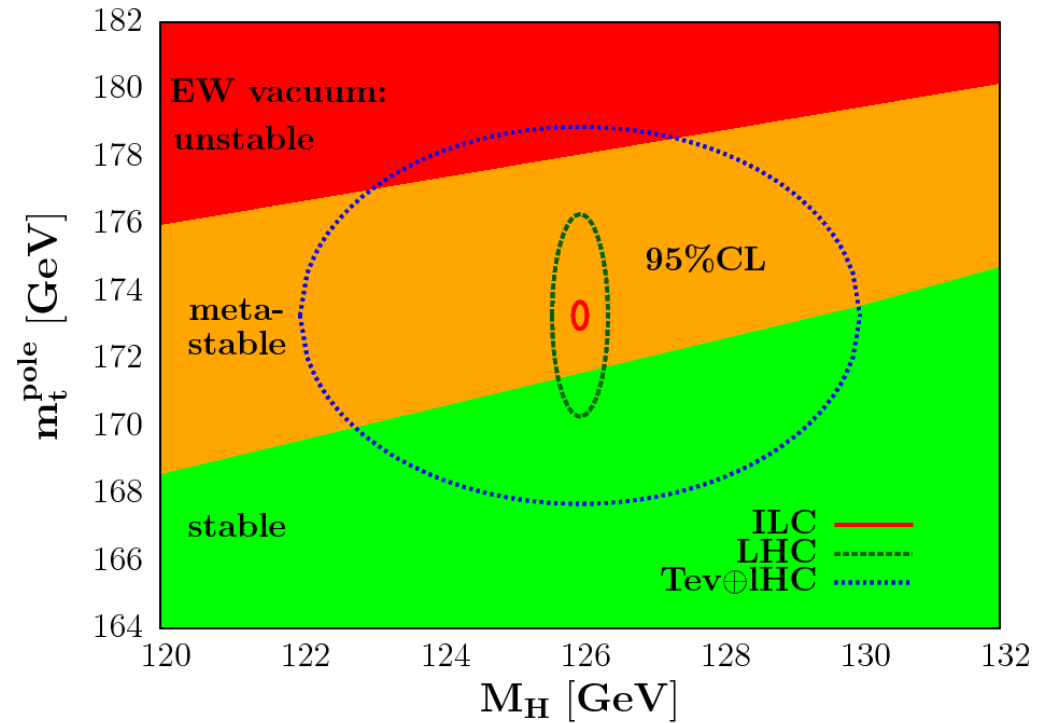
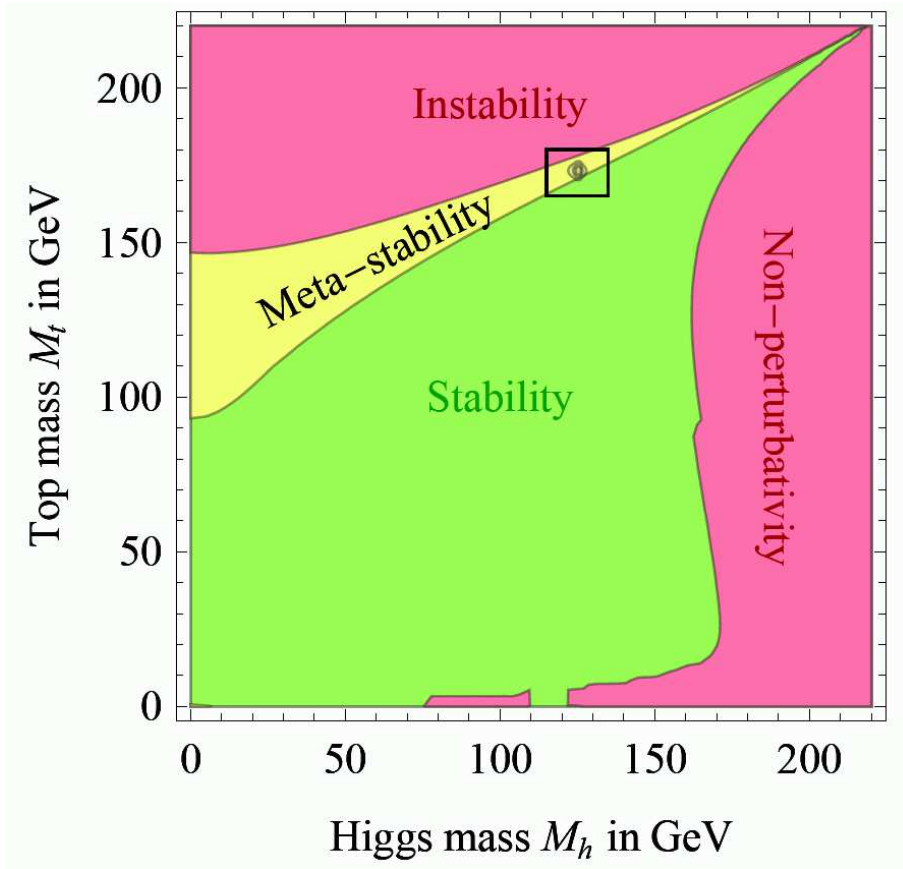


Λ : scale up to which the SM is valid

$$\Lambda = M_{\text{GUT}} \Rightarrow 130 \text{ GeV} \lesssim M_H \lesssim 180 \text{ GeV}$$

$M_H = 125 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow$ we live in a meta-stable vacuum!

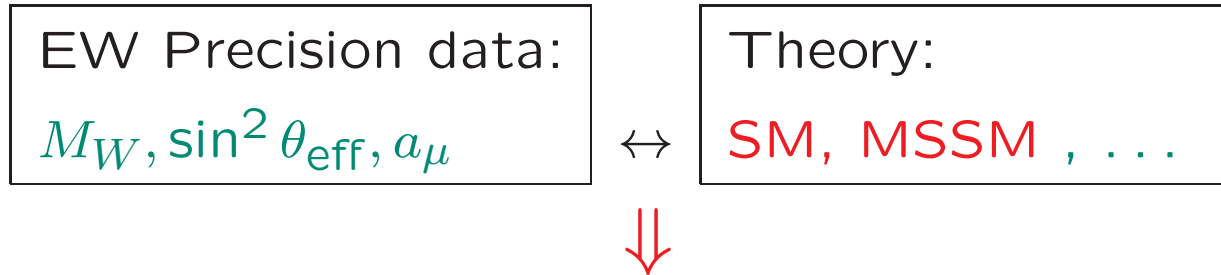
[Degrassi et al. '12] [Alekhin et al. '12]



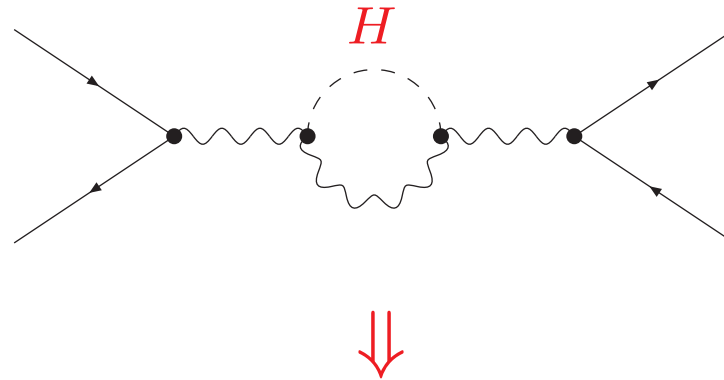
... if there is nothing else than the SM up to the Planck scale!

Electroweak Precision Observables (EWPO):

Comparison of electro-weak precision observables with theory:



Test of theory at quantum level: Sensitivity to loop corrections, e.g. H



SM: limits on M_H

Very high accuracy of measurements and theoretical predictions needed

Precision observables in the SM:

M_W , $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$, $(g-2)_\mu$, b physics, ...

A) Theoretical prediction for M_W in terms

of M_Z , α , G_μ , Δr :

$$M_W^2 \left(1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \right) = \frac{\pi \alpha}{\sqrt{2} G_\mu} (1 + \Delta r)$$



loop corrections

Evaluate Δr from μ decay $\Rightarrow M_W$

One-loop result for M_W in the SM:

[A. Sirlin '80] , [W. Marciano, A. Sirlin '80]

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta r_{1\text{-loop}} &= \Delta\alpha & - & \frac{c_W^2}{s_W^2} \Delta\rho & + & \Delta r_{\text{rem}}(M_H) \\ &\sim \log \frac{M_Z}{m_f} & & \sim m_t^2 & & \log(M_H/M_W) \\ &\sim 6\% & & \sim 3.3\% & & \sim 1\% \end{aligned}$$

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B) Effective mixing angle:

$$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{4 |Q_f|} \left(1 - \frac{\text{Re } g_V^f}{\text{Re } g_A^f} \right)$$

Higher order contributions:

$$g_V^f \rightarrow g_V^f + \Delta g_V^f, \quad g_A^f \rightarrow g_A^f + \Delta g_A^f$$

Comparison of SM prediction of M_W with direct measurements:

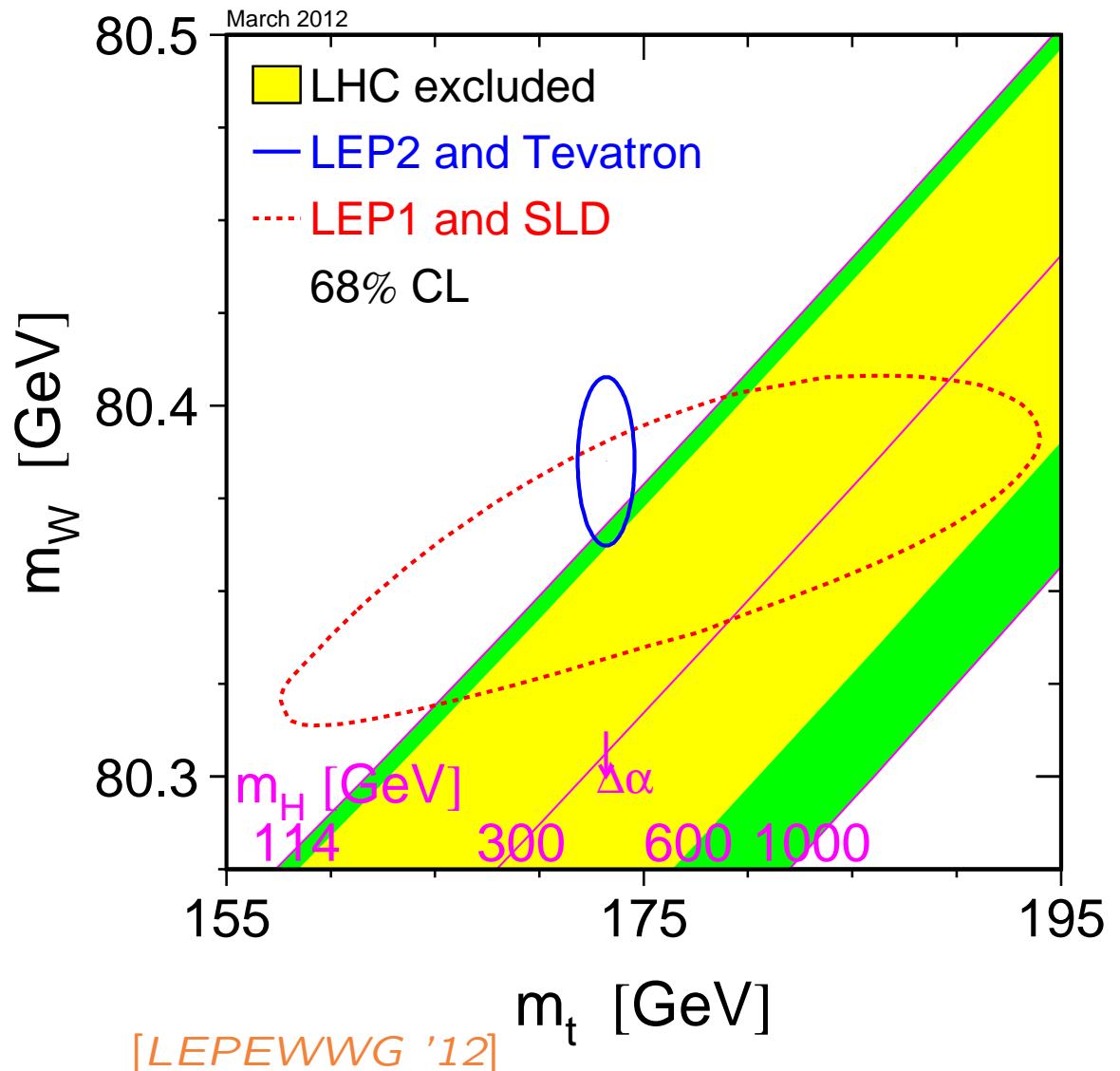
$$\Delta r = -\frac{11g_2^2 s_W^2}{96\pi^2 c_W^2} \log\left(\frac{M_H}{M_W}\right)$$

general for EWPO:

$$\Delta \sim g_2^2 \left[\log\left(\frac{M_H}{M_W}\right) + g_2^2 \frac{M_H^2}{M_W^2} \right]$$

leading term: $\log(M_H)$

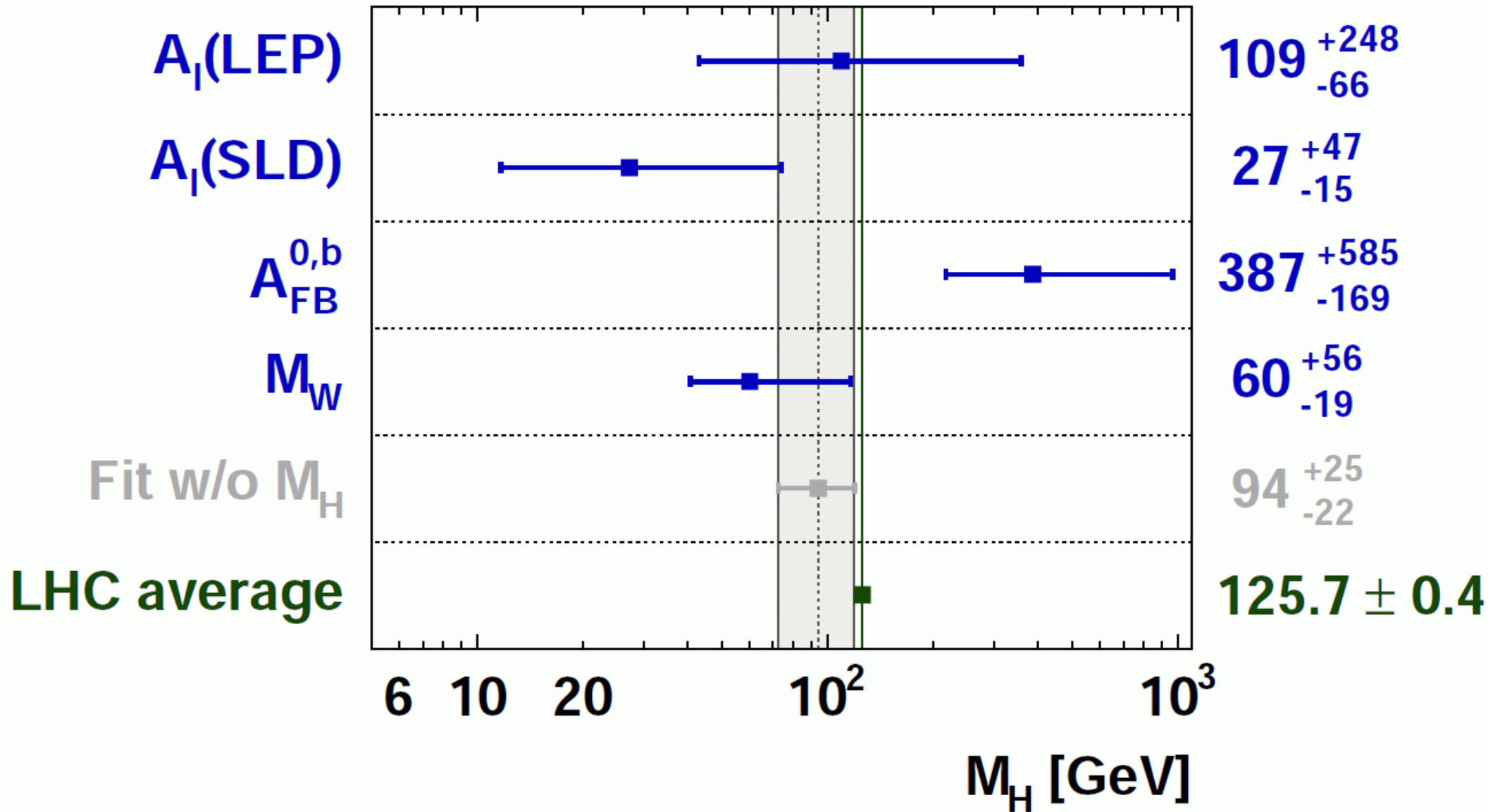
first term $\sim M_H^2$ with g_2^4



\Rightarrow light Higgs boson preferred

Comparison for single observables:

[GFitter '12]



Global fit to all SM data:

[LEPEWWG '12]

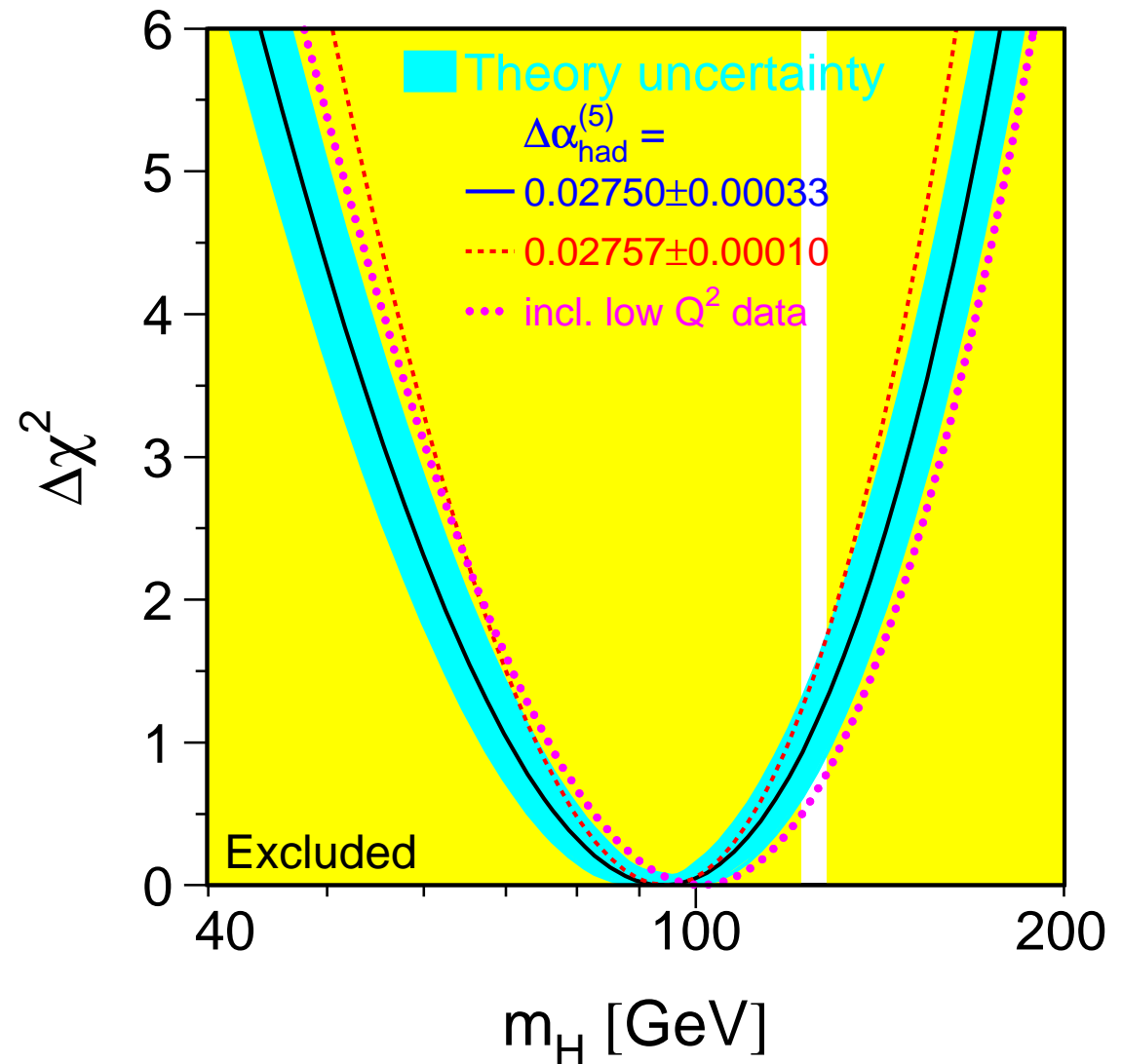
$$\Rightarrow M_H = 94^{+29}_{-24} \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_H < 152 \text{ GeV, 95\% C.L.}$$

Assumption for the fit:

SM incl. Higgs boson

\Rightarrow no confirmation of
Higgs mechanism



\Rightarrow Prediction before discovery: in the SM: $M_H \lesssim 160 \text{ GeV}$

4. Properties of the SM Higgs boson

1.) Decay to fermions:

coupling:

$$g_{f\bar{f}H} = [\sqrt{2} G_\mu]^{1/2} m_f$$

decay width:

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow f\bar{f}) = N_c \frac{G_\mu M_H}{4\sqrt{2} \pi} m_f^2(M_H^2) \left(1 - 4 \frac{m_f^2}{M_H^2}\right)^{3/2}$$

with $N_c =$ number of colors

Bulk of QCD corrections for decays to quarks are mapped into

$$m_q^2(\text{pole}) \rightarrow m_q^2(M_H^2)$$

Dominant decay process: $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

2.) Decay to heavy gauge bosons ($V = W, Z$):

coupling:

$$g_{VVH} = 2 \left[\sqrt{2} G_\mu \right]^{1/2} M_V^2$$

on-shell decay width ($M_H > 2M_V$):

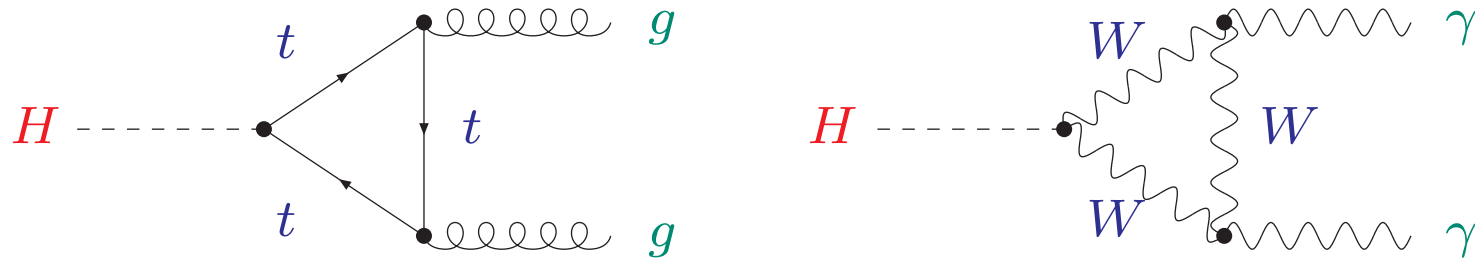
$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow VV) = \delta_V \frac{G_\mu M_H^3}{16 \sqrt{2} \pi} \left(1 - 4 \frac{M_V^2}{M_H^2} + 12 \frac{M_V^4}{M_H^4} \right) \left(1 - 4 \frac{M_V^2}{M_H^2} \right)^{1/2}$$

with $\delta_{W,Z} = 2, 1$

off-shell decay width ($M_H < 2M_V$):

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow VV^*) = \delta'_V \frac{3G_\mu^2 M_H}{16 \pi^3} M_V^4 \times \text{Integral}$$

3.) Decay to massless gauge bosons ($gg, \gamma\gamma$):



$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow gg) = \frac{G_\mu \alpha_s^2(M_H^2) M_H^3}{36 \sqrt{2} \pi^3} \left[1 + C \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} \right]$$

via the top quark loop with

$$C = \frac{215}{12} - \frac{23}{6} \log \left(\frac{\mu^2}{M_H^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$

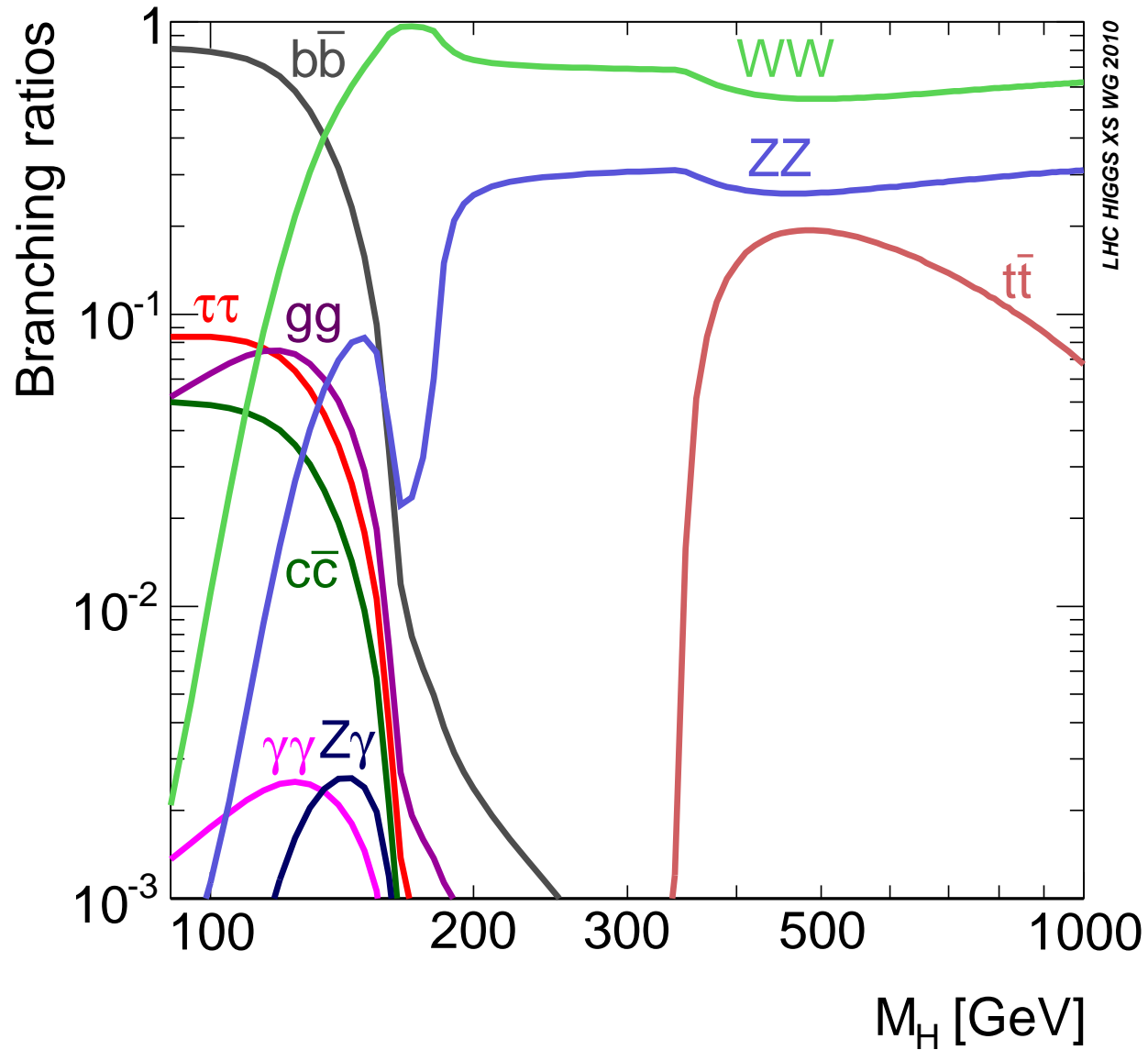
⇒ huge QCD corrections

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \frac{G_\mu \alpha^2 M_H^3}{128 \sqrt{2} \pi^3} \left| \frac{4}{3} e_t^2 - 7 \right|^2$$

via the top quark and W boson loop

Latest theory predictions for the SM Higgs: branching ratios

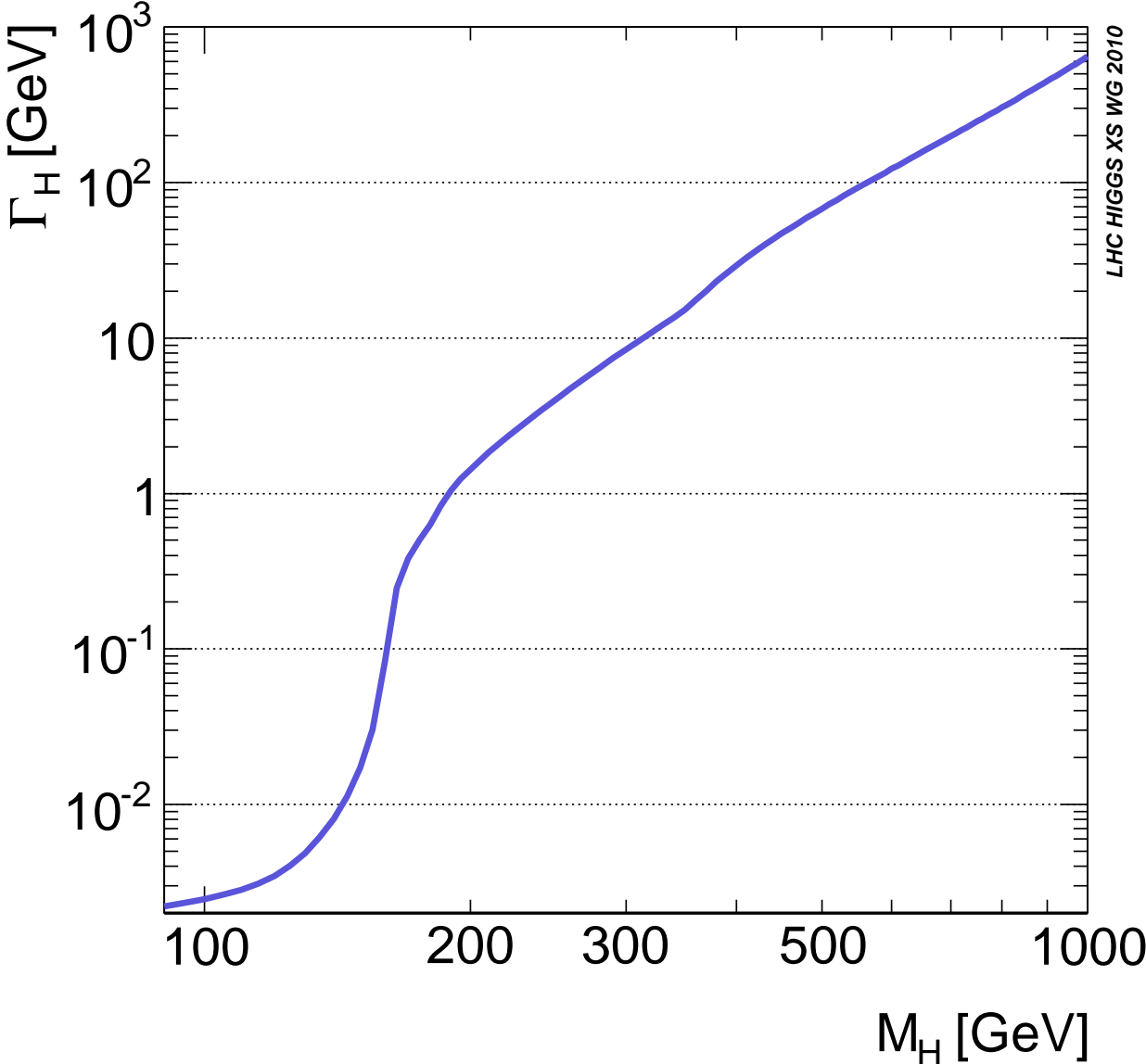
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LHC HIGGS XS WG 2010

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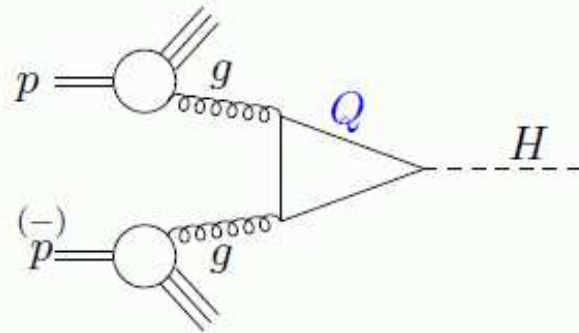
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Higgs production modes at the LHC:

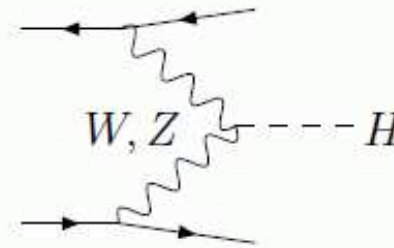
• Gluon Gluon Fusion

$$pp \rightarrow gg \rightarrow H$$



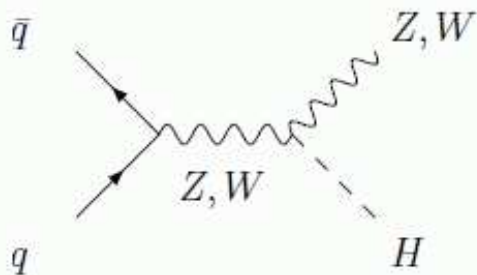
• W/Z Fusion

$$pp \rightarrow qq \rightarrow qq + WW/ZZ \rightarrow qq + H$$



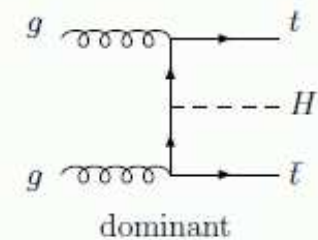
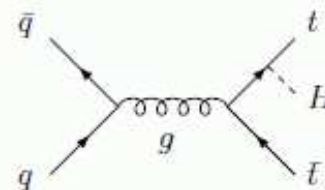
• Higgs-strahlung

$$pp \rightarrow W^*/Z^* \rightarrow W/Z + H$$



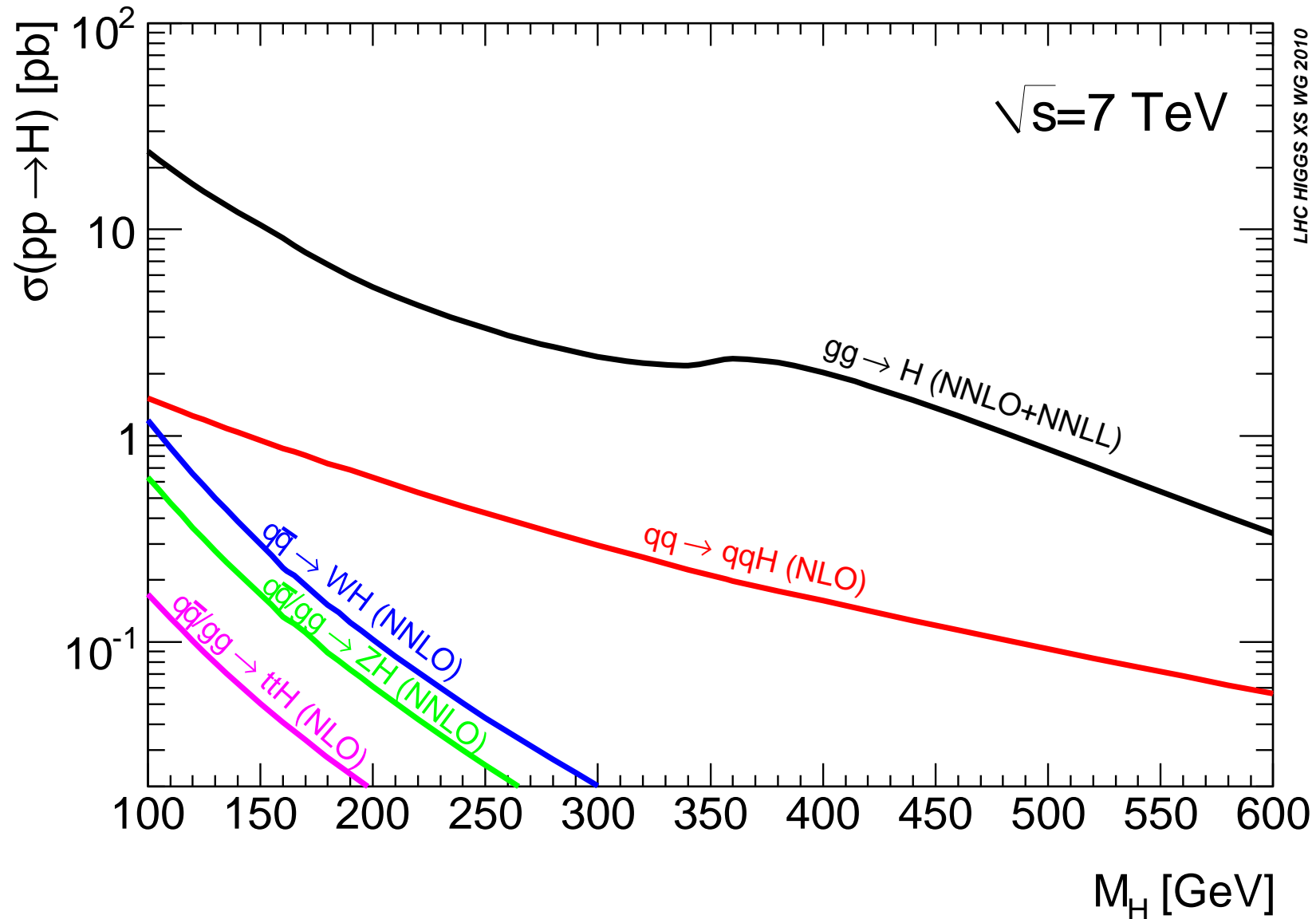
• Associated production with $t\bar{t}$

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + H$$



Latest theory predictions for the SM Higgs: LHC production XS

[LHC Higgs XS WG '10]



Do never forget the **UNCERTAINTIES!**

Three different types of uncertainties:

Experimental error:

- current error
 - future expectations
- ⇒ sets the scale, has to be matched by other errors

Theory uncertainty:

- ⇒ uncertainty due to missing higher order corrections
- only estimates possible
 - even more complicated for the future

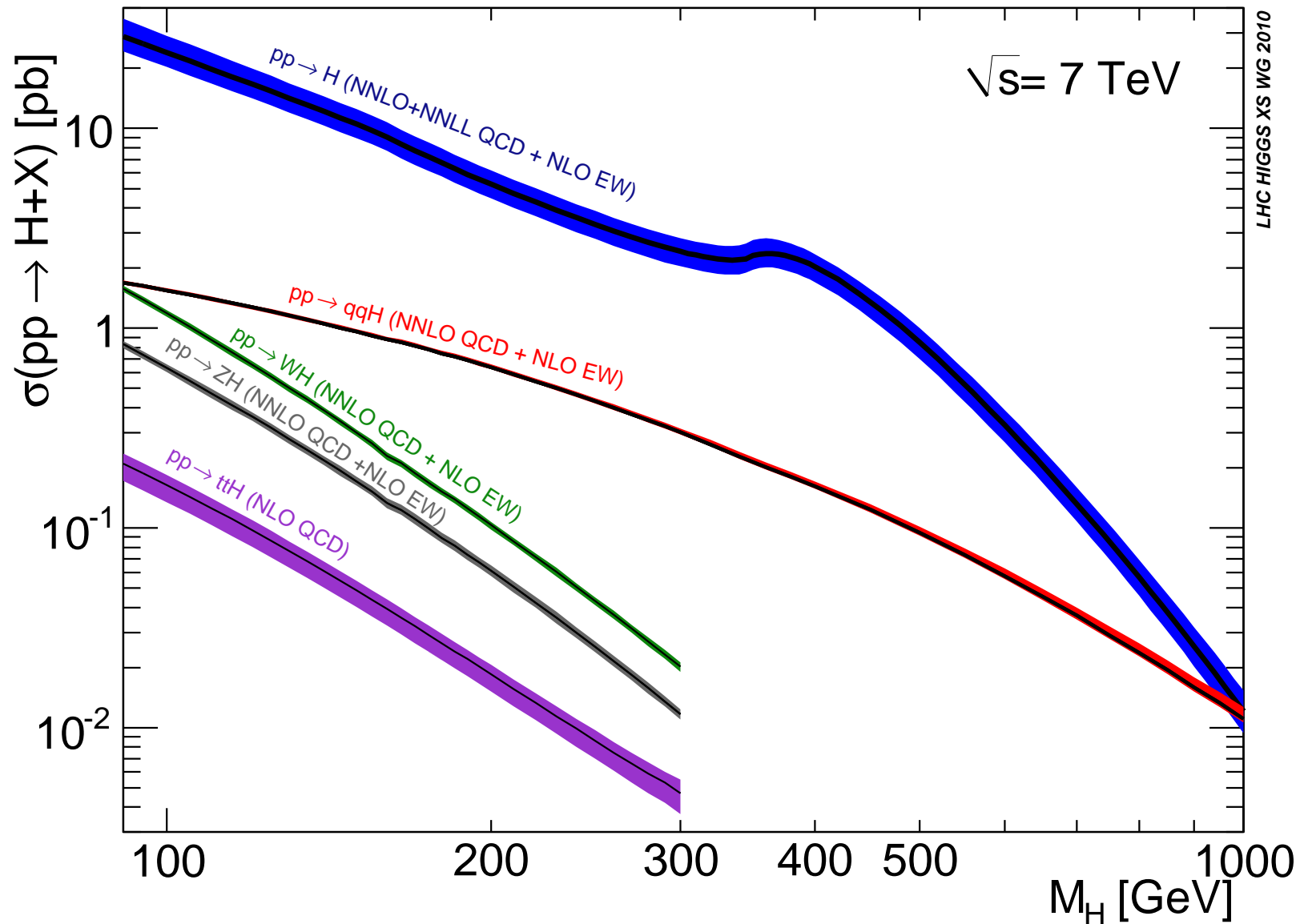
Parametric uncertainty:

uncertainty in the prediction due to error in the input parameters

- m_t , α_s , PDFs, ...
- future expectations?

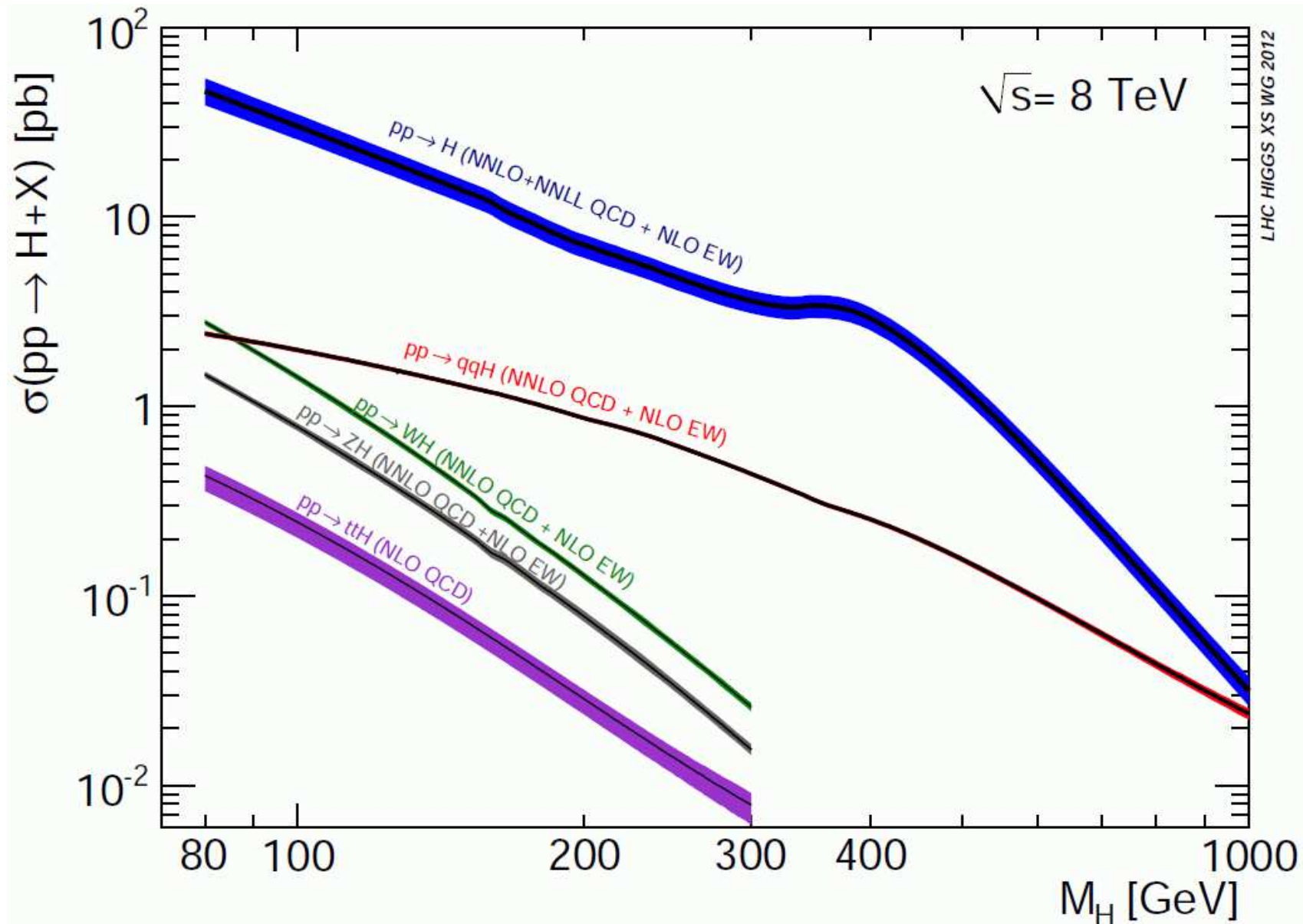
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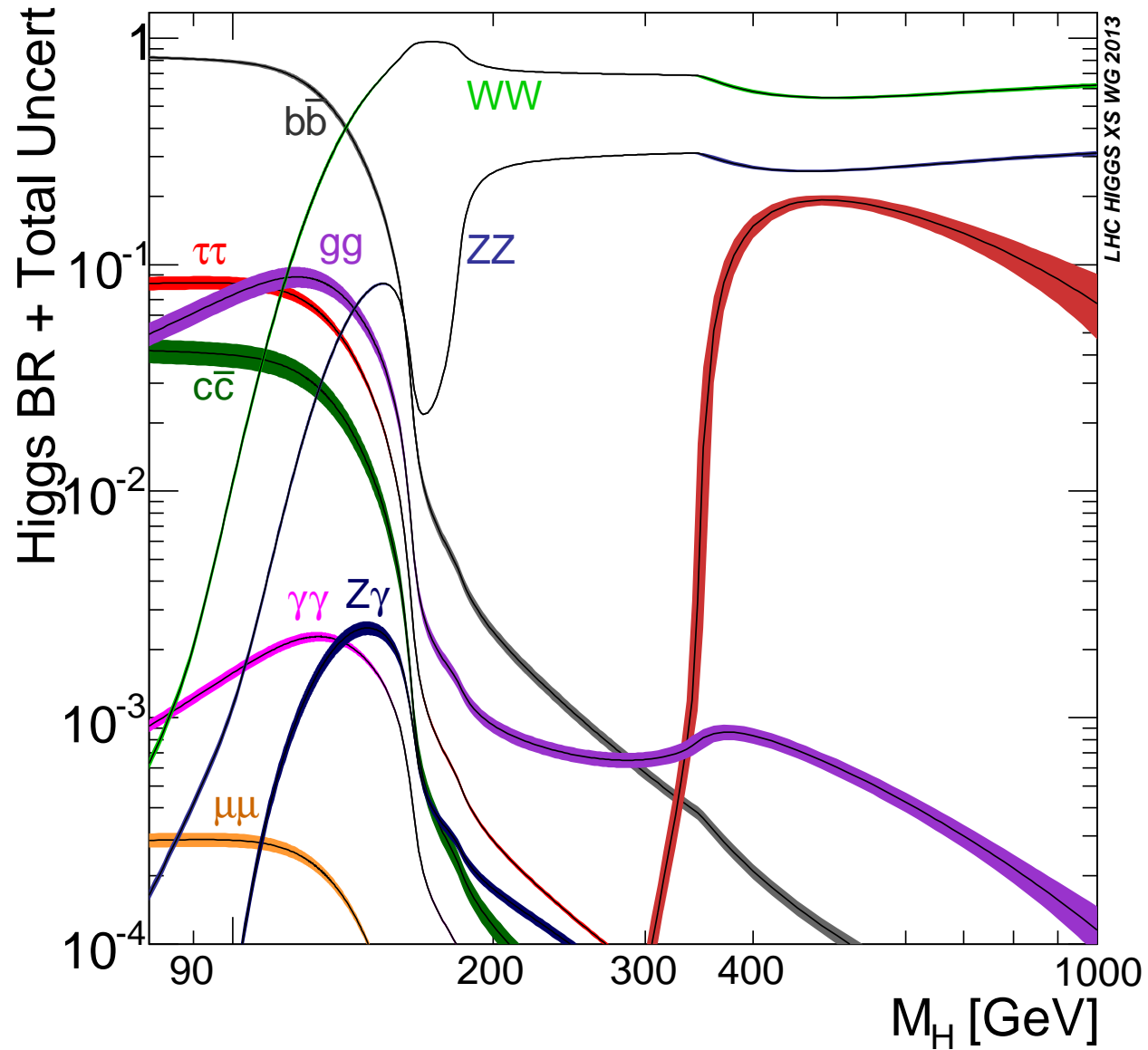
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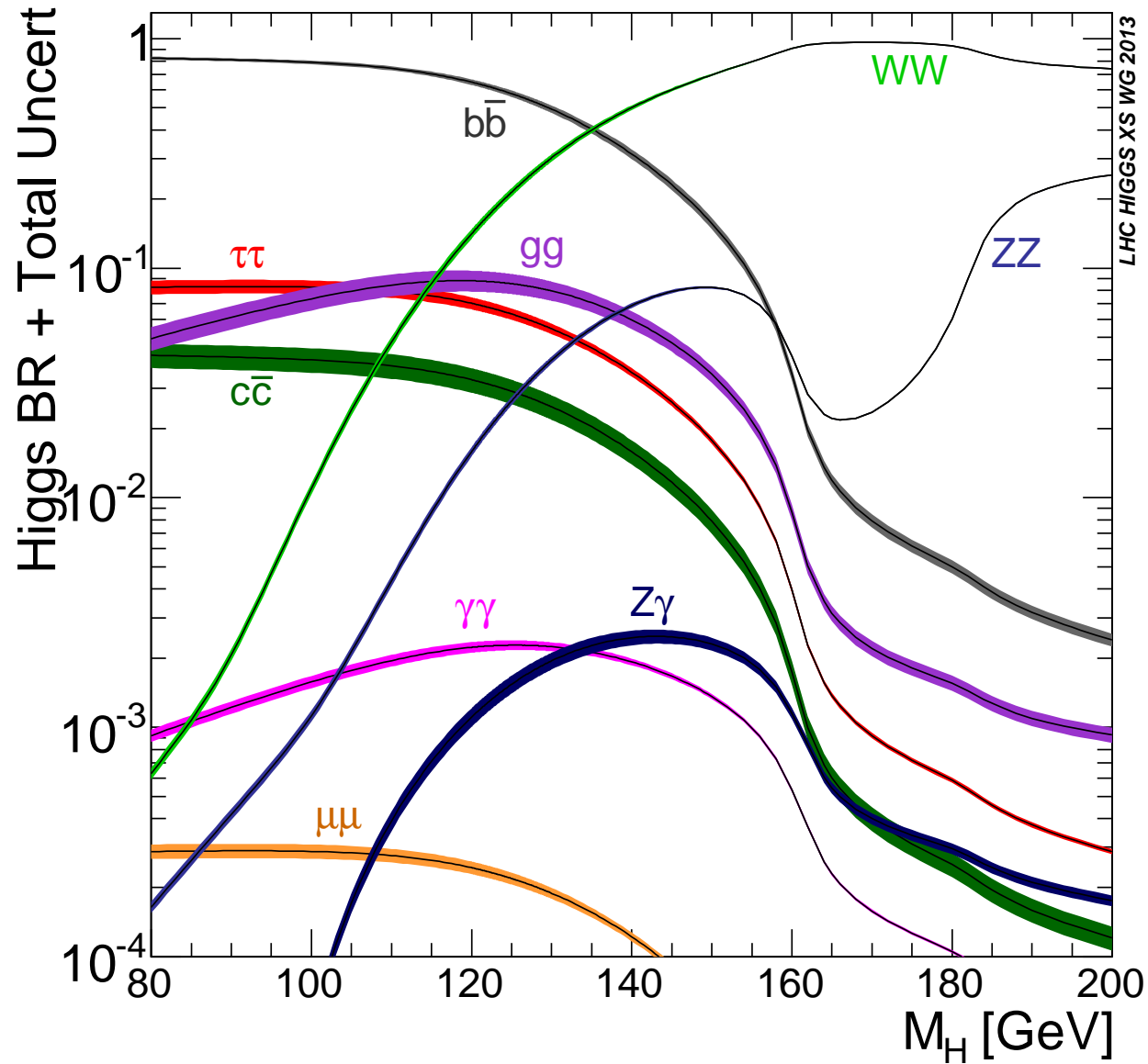
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LHC Higgs Cross Section Working Group

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/CrossSections>

- Mixed group of ATLAS/CMS experimentalists and theorists (crucial!)
- Subgroups for each LHC Higgs production cross section or BRs
- Goal: obtain best theory predictions to facilitate
 - “best” Higgs boson search
 - “best” combination of ATLAS and CMS
 - “best” extraction of parameters
- Much to do for theorists:
 - improve cross section/BR calculation
 - calculation of distributions
 - extract/fit Higgs couplings
 - ...
- ⇒ more workforce always appreciated!