The transverse-momentum distribution of the Higgs boson at hadron colliders

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### The Higgs mechanism

- Standard Model: SU(2)xU(1) gauge theory  $m_l = m_B = 0$
- "Simple-minded" insertion of mass terms in the Lagrangian both gauge invariance and renormalizability spoiled

(m=0) global simmetry

SSE: Goldstone bosons

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<sup>(</sup>(m≠0) local simmetry
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Local SSB (Higgs mechanism) provides masses to W<sup>+</sup>,W<sup>-</sup>,Z<sup>0</sup> and leptons through trilinear Yukawa couplings.

'Remnant': neutral, scalar, massive boson H

### Bounds on m<sub>H</sub>

- Direct search at LEP :  $m_H > 114.4 GeV$
- EW fits:  $m_H < 251 GeV$

(Higgs loop contributions to EW observables)



# Hadronic cross sections in perturbative QCD



- **h**  $\mathbf{h}_2$  = initial state hadrons (with momenta  $\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2$ )
- $f_{p}f_{p} = parton distribution functions$
- **C** = coefficient functions (partonic *splitting*)
  - = <u>perturbatively computed</u> partonic event
    - = final state particle(s)
      - = resummation of soft radiation from incoming partons

#### H<sup>o</sup> production at hadron colliders: 9 0000000000 W,Z g g fusion : H<sup>o</sup> WW, ZZ fusion : Ho W,Z q a g 22222222222 🗲 W.Z q - Ho tt fusion : W,Z 9 00000000000000 Нo ā W, Z bremsstrahlung 🔺 T $\sigma(pp \rightarrow H+X)$ 107 √s = 14 TeV $m_t = 175 \text{ GeV}$ gg 🛶 H 10<sup>6</sup> 10 CTEQ4M events for 10<sup>5</sup> pb<sup>-</sup> 10<sup>5</sup> σ (pb) laa 10<sup>4</sup> 10 10<sup>3</sup> 10<sup>-2</sup> Htt 10<sup>-3</sup> 10<sup>2</sup> M. Spira et al. gg,q**q→** Hbb NLO QCD 10<sup>-4</sup> . . . . . . . 1000 200 400 600 800 0 M<sub>H</sub> (GeV)



# Possibilities of Higgs signal at hadron colliders



Tevatron Run II

LHC-Atlas

### Why studying p<sub>T</sub> distribution?

- Detector's <u>resolution</u>, <u>kinematical acceptance</u> and <u>efficiency</u>, (and, thus, event modeling)  $\Rightarrow p_T$ -dependent
- The knowledge of the shape of the p<sub>T</sub> spectrum can *dictate analyses and triggering strategies*
- Useful to enhance *signal/background* ratio ( $\gamma$ , leptons channels): application of  $p_T$ -cuts in the process of event-selection

(Davatz, Dissertori, Dittmar, Grazzini, Pauss hep-ph/04022218)

# The p<sub>T</sub>-spectrum

 $M_{\rm H}$ 

• most of the events

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- multiple emission of *soft gluons*
- $\alpha_{s}^{n} \rightarrow \alpha_{s}^{n} \log^{m}(M_{H}/q_{T})$ con (1 < m < 2n)
- calculation techniques:
  - *parton showering*(MonteCarlo: Pythia, Herwig)
  - resummation

(Parisi,Petronzio;1979)
(Dokshitzer,Diakonov,Troian;1980)
(Collins,Soper,Sterman;1985)

- perturbative expansion in  $\alpha_{s}(M_{H}^{2}) \Rightarrow \underline{reliable}$
- LO=O(α<sup>3</sup><sub>s</sub>) known from the eighties
   (Ellis,Hinchliffe,Soldate, van der Bij; 88)
- NLO= O(α<sup>4</sup><sub>s</sub>) evaluated first numerically,later analitically: (deFlorian, Grazzini, Kunzst;99) (Glosser, Schmidt; 02)

(Ravindran,Smith,vanNeerven;02)

### Fixed-order calculation



- Importance of radiative corrections (K=NLO/LO~60%)
- K almost constant
- Both LO and NLO increase at low p<sub>T</sub>
- Scale dependence reduced going from LO to NLO
- Scale variation at LO (~35%) highly underestimates NLO radiative corrections

### Divergence at low p<sub>T</sub>



- In general, the *n*-th perturbative order includes terms of type  $(\alpha^{n}_{s}/p_{T}^{2}) \log^{m}(M_{H}/p_{T})$  $\Rightarrow divergence!$
- Compensation of positive (m=2n-1) and negative (m=2n-2) terms
   ⇒non-physical peak at NLO
- It is necessary an *all-orders resummation* of logarithmic contributions to obtain reliable predictions

### Resummation: the main idea



Fixed Order (rel.ord.:  $\alpha_s L^{2}$ )

 $\frac{\Sigma_1^{\infty} + \Sigma_1^{\infty} + \Sigma_1^{\infty} + \dots}{\text{LL class NLL class NLL class}}$ 

 $\sim \exp\left(\Sigma_{n}C_{n}^{\prime}\alpha_{s}^{n}L^{n+1} + \Sigma_{n}C_{n}^{\prime\prime\prime}\alpha_{s}^{n}L^{n} + \Sigma_{n}C_{n}^{\prime\prime\prime\prime}\alpha_{s}^{n}L^{n+1}\right)$ 

Resummation (rel.ord: 1/L)

### Some formulas.....

### • Resummation formula

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma^{(\text{res.})}}{dq_T^2 dQ^2} &= \sum_{a,b,c} \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \int_0^\infty db \frac{b}{2} J_0(bq_T) \, \sigma_{c\bar{c}}^{(LO)} \, \delta(Q^2 - x_1 x_2 s) \\ & \cdot \left( f_{a/h_1} \otimes C_{ca} \right) \left( x_1, \frac{b_0^2}{b^2} \right) \left( f_{b/h_2} \otimes C_{\bar{c}b} \right) \left( x_2, \frac{b_0^2}{b^2} \right) S_c(Q, b) \end{aligned}$$

- One usually works in b-space (b=impact parameter=  $p_T$ -conjugate variable), where <u>multiple emission effects</u> <u>do factorize</u> and where  $p_T$ -conservation is evident
- Sudakov factor

$$S_c(Q,b) = \exp\left\{-\int_{b_0^2/b^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dq^2}{q^2} \left[A_c(\alpha_S(q^2)) \ln \frac{Q^2}{q^2} + B_c(\alpha_S(q^2))\right]\right\}$$

 A<sub>1</sub>,A<sub>2</sub>,B<sub>1</sub> *universal* and already known (Kodaira,Trentadue;1982) (Catani,D'Emilio,Trentadue;1985)
 B<sub>2</sub> recently evaluated for gg->H process (deFlorian,Grazzini;2000) The "matching" procedure  $(d\sigma/dp_T)_{tot} = (d\sigma/dp_T)_{res} + (d\sigma/dp_T)_{fix} - (d\sigma/dp_T)_{asym}$ 

- $(d\sigma/dp_T)_{res}$  = resummation
- $(d\sigma/dp_T)_{T}$  = fixed order
- $(d\sigma/dp_T)_{nym}$  = expansion of resummation formula to the same order



### Our calculation

- Includes the <u>most complete information</u> available up to now:
  - Resummation at NNLL order at low  $p_T$
  - Perturbative calculation at NLO at high  $p_T$
  - Matching at  $O(a_s^4)$
- <u>Improve the implementation formalism</u> allowing a very precise *matching* at low p<sub>T</sub>

### Results for gg-->HX at NLL+LO



giuboz, Catani, deFlorian, Grazzini; PLB 564 (2003), 65-72 hep-ph/0302104

- Relevant effect of resummation for  $p_T < 100 \text{ GeV}$
- Scale dependence: 10% around the peak

## LO, NLO, NLL+LO comparison



- At intermediate p<sub>T</sub> the distribution increases, going from LO to NLO and, subsequently going from NLO to NLL+LO
- ⇒ importance of resummation at intermediate p<sub>T</sub> with respect to higher perturbative order!

### Results for gg-->HX at NNLL+NLO



- At  $p_T \sim 50$  GeV the resummation effect increases the result by 40% with respect to NLO
- Peak slightly lower than NLL+LO, tail slightly higher (explanation:  $\sigma_{tot}(NNLO) \sim \sigma_{tot}(NLO)$ )
- Scale dependence: 8% around the peak  $\Rightarrow$  lower than NLL+LO

# Predictions for different values of M<sub>H</sub>



- Results normalized to respective total cross sections
- At higher M<sub>H</sub>, the peak shifts at higher p<sub>T</sub> values
- In general, increasing M<sub>H</sub> tail becomes more important and the peak is lowered

### Non-perturbative effects



- p<sub>T</sub>-distribution receives important non-perturbative contributions at low p<sub>T</sub> (high b) region
- Several different recipes to include them

(Davies,Webber,Stirling;1985) (Ladinsky,Yuan;1994) (Brock,Landry,Nadolsky,Yuan;2002) (Kulesza,Stirling;2003)

 In our case, deviations from purely perturbative result are at most 8% for p<sub>T</sub>>10 GeV

### Parton showering vs. resummation

- 1. Include LL, universal 1. Include all logs, both and indipendent from process under study
- 2. Allows exact treatment of branching kinematics
- 3. Needs matrix elements corrections at high p<sub>T</sub>
- 4. Apart from MC@NLO, retains LO normalization and scale dependence

- universal and process dependent
- 2. Useful only for processes inclusive over final state
- 3. The *matching* allows a prediction over all the spectrum
- 4. Retains normalization and scale dependence of higher perturbative order

### Comparison with others p<sub>T</sub>-spectra (Balazs, Grazzini, Huston, Kulesza, Puljak, hep-ph/0403052)



- PYTHIA,HERWIG normalized to LO
- Low/intermediate p<sub>T</sub> (p<sub>T</sub><100 GeV): predictions are consistent
- High p<sub>T</sub>: HERWIG not supplied with NLO matrix elements
- Peak position: 12-14 GeV for all curves
- Are the discrepancies experimentally resolvable?

### Conclusions and outlook

- Importance of resummation at low and intermediate  $\underline{p}_T$
- <u>Matching</u> with fixed order at  $O(\alpha^4)$
- <u>Stability</u> of the main features of the distribution with respect to perturbative uncertainties (*scales, higher orders*)
- <u>Good control</u> over non-perturbative contributions
- Extension to other processes (DY, SUSY, Heavy Ions (?), ...)