

Electroweak corrections to double Higgs production at the LHC

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Measurements of Higgs boson coupling

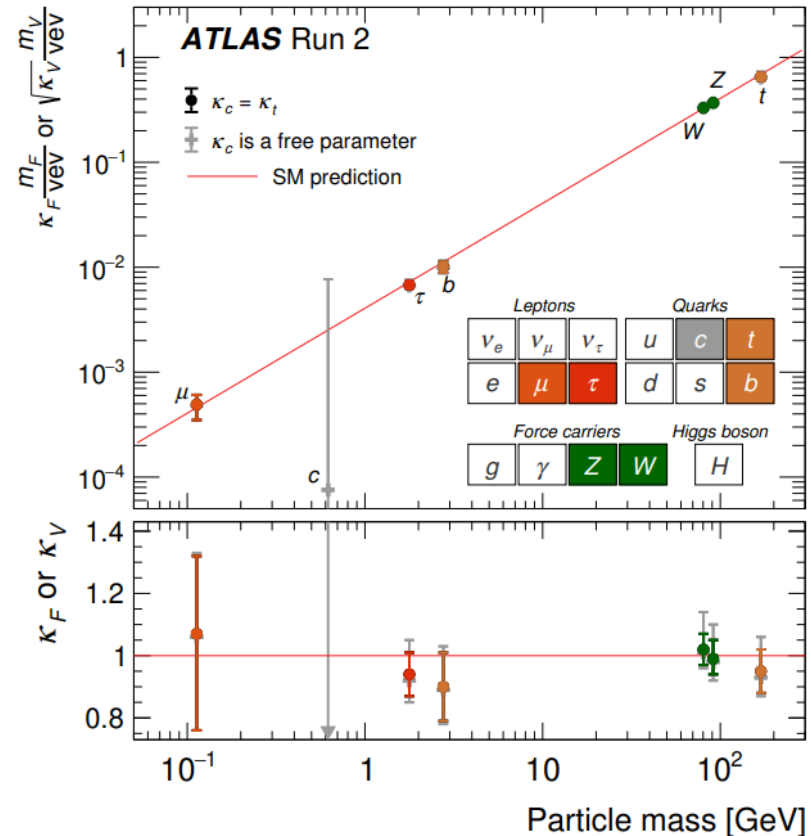


😊 g_{Hff}, g_{HVV}

- can be measured with high precision.

😞 $\lambda_{HHH}, \lambda_{HHHH}$

- require multi-Higgs production, small cross sections.
- Mixed with complicated background.



LHC RUN2

$-1.2 < \lambda/\lambda_{SM} < 7.2$
 $-1.4 < \lambda/\lambda_{SM} < 6.4$

ATLAS: 2406.09971
 CMSPASHIG-20-011

HL-LHC

$-0.5 < \lambda/\lambda_{SM} < 1.5$

Jones: LHEP 2023 (2023) 442

ATLAS:2207.00092

Status of QCD corrections



- NLO QCD

- NLO QCD with full top-quark mass dependence, [Borowka et al:1604.06447](#)
- NLO QCD matched to parton shower, [Heinrich et al:1703.09252](#)
- NLO QCD with soft-gluon resummation, [Ferrera et al: 1609.01691](#)

- NNLO QCD

- NNLO QCD in heavy-top limit (HTL) approximation, [Florian et al:1305.5206](#)
- NNLO in HTL+ NLO with full top-quark mass dependence, [Florian et al:2106.14050](#)
- NNLO QCD in HTL matched to parton shower, [Alioli et al: 2212.10489](#)

- NNNLO QCD

- NNNLO QCD in HTL, [Chen et al:1909.06808](#)
- NNNLO in HTL include the top-quark mass effects, [Chen et al:1912.13001](#)
- NNNLO in HTL + NLO with full top-quark mass dependence + soft-gluon resummation, [Ajjath et al:2209.03914](#)

Uncertainty from top mass effects are about 5%

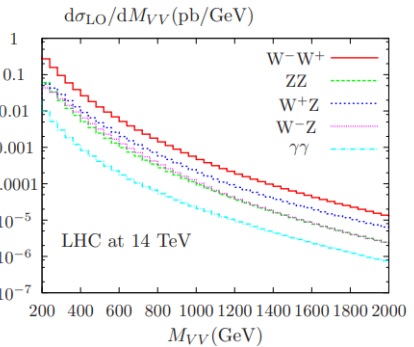
Process	Theory	σ_{th} [pb]	δ_{th} [%]	δ_{PDF} [%]	δ_{α_s} [%]
$ggF\ HH$	$N^3\text{LO}_{\text{HTL}}$	0.03105	$+2.2$ -5.0	± 2.1	± 2.1
	NLO_{QCD}				

Importance of EW corrections

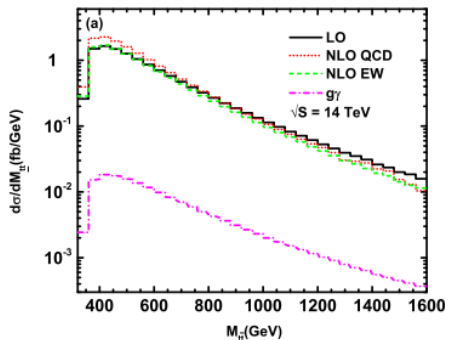
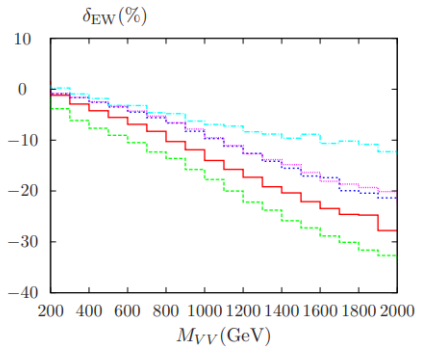


- Size of EW corrections
 - Most important part in the uncertainty budget
- NLO EW corrections are notably significant at high energy region

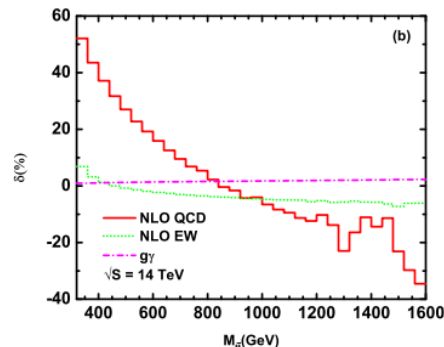
➢ Sudakov enhancement: $\alpha \sim 0.7\% \rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{4\pi \sin^2\theta_W} \log^2\left(\frac{s}{m_Z^2}\right) \Big|_{s=2000^2} \sim 10\% \sim \alpha_s$



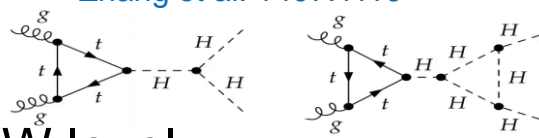
A Bierweiler et al:1305.5402



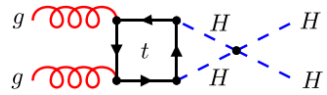
Zhang et al: 1407.1110



- Higgs self couplings receive EW corrections.
- Higgs quartic coupling emerges at the NLO EW level



➢ Constrained on λ_{HHHH}^{SM} indirectly from NLO EW correction



focal point in the 2015, 2017, 2019, and 2021 Les Houches precision wish lists

process	known	desired
$pp \rightarrow HH$	$N^3LO_{HTL} \otimes NLO_{QCD}$	NLO_{EW}

Status of NLO EW corrections



- Results in literature

- Higgs self-coupling corrections in EFT: [Borowka et al: 1811.12366](#)

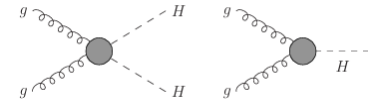
- EW corrections contains only new physics:
$$V^{\text{NP}}(\Phi) \equiv \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{c_{2n}}{\Lambda^{2n-4}} \left(\Phi^\dagger \Phi - \frac{1}{2} v^2 \right)^n.$$

- Two-loop Yukawa corrections: [Davies et al:2207.02587](#)

- Higgs boson is exchanged between the top quarks; Master Integrals in the high-energy limit is published.

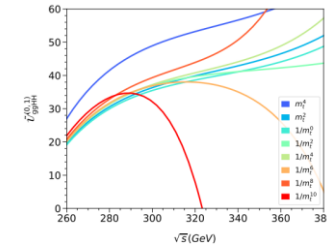
- Top-quark Yukawa corrections : [Muhlleitner et al:2207.02524](#)

- Partly in HTL (ggH(H) vertices), Total and differential cross section are presented.



- HTL and Neglecting diagrams with only massless fermion loops, [Davies et al: 2308.01355](#)

- $|M|^2$ at particular phase space points ($\frac{p_T}{\sqrt{s}}=0.1$) are presented.
- HTL does not show a convergent behaviour.



- Full EW corrections: [Bi et al:2311.16963](#)

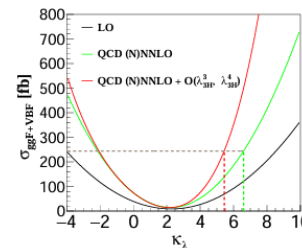
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- Top-Yukawa and Higgs self-coupling contributions: [Heinrich et al:2407.04653](#)

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- Higgs self-coupling corrections: [Li et al:2407.14716](#)

- Results in κ framework are discussed.
- Upper limit on the HHH coupling is improved.



Calculation strategy



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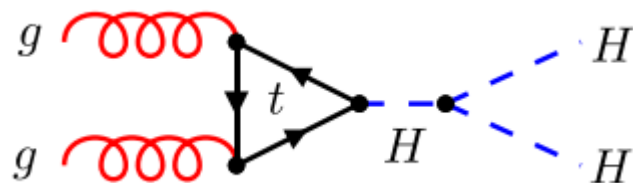


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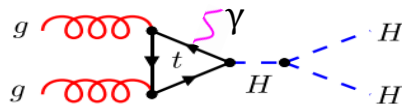
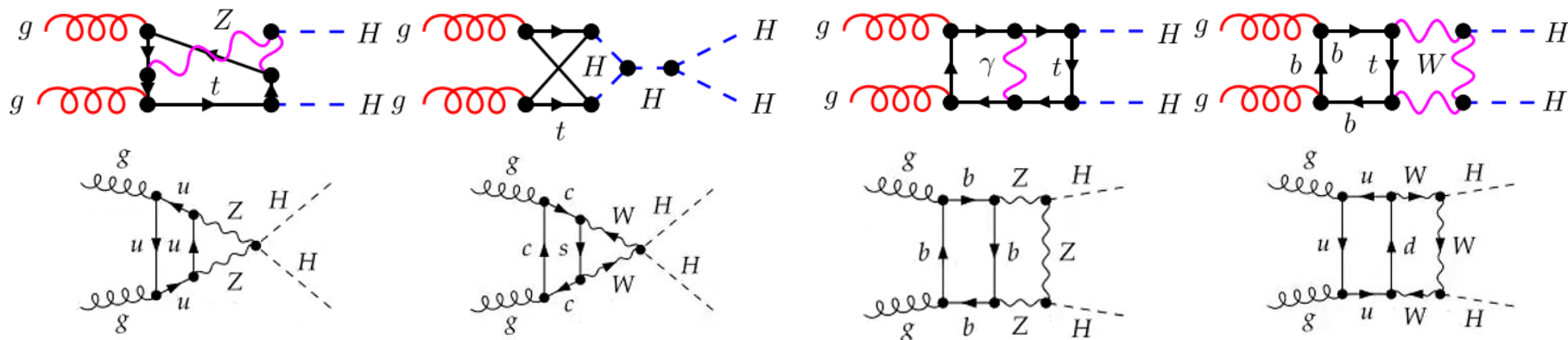
EW corrections to double H production at the LHC



LO diagrams:



NLO diagrams:



Forbidden due to Furry Theorem

Typical Feynman diagrams at NLO EW

Calculations of two loop integrals



Analytically calculation: (for e.g. [Davies et al:2207.02587](#) and [2308.01355](#))

😊 Advantage:

- Results can be formulated analytically.

😞 Disadvantage:

- Results are only valid in some particular limit.
 - Results are expressed as an expansion respect to some parameters.
- Only partial sub-diagrams can be calculated analytically.

Numerically calculation: (for e.g. [Bi et al:2311.16963](#); [Li et al:2407.14716](#); [Borowka et al: 1811.12366](#); [Heinrich et al:2407.04653](#))

😊 Advantage:

- MIs are easier to compute.
- Public packages are available: **AMFlow** [Liu et al:2201.11669](#); **pySecDec** [Borowka et al: 1703.09692](#)

😞 Disadvantage:

- MIs need to be calculated at a lot of points to obtain cross sections

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Results: Total cross sections

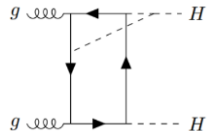
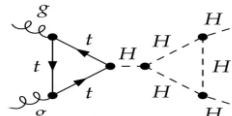


μ	$M_{HH}/2$	$\sqrt{p_T^2 + m_H^2}$	m_H
LO	19.96(6)	21.11(7)	25.09(8)
NLO	19.12(6)	20.21(6)	23.94(8)
\mathcal{K} -factor	0.958(1)	0.957(1)	0.954(1)

LO and NLO EW corrected integrated cross sections (in fb) 14 TeV LHC.

- Differences with varying scale choices are around 20%.
 - Huge scale uncertainties. Can be reduced by including QCD corrections.
- K-factor is insensitive to the scale choice.
 - EW corrections beyond NLO are on the order of a few thousandths.
- The statistical uncertainty for the K-factor is smaller than that of $\sigma_{LO,NLO}$.
 - K-factor can get a controllable error with far fewer events.

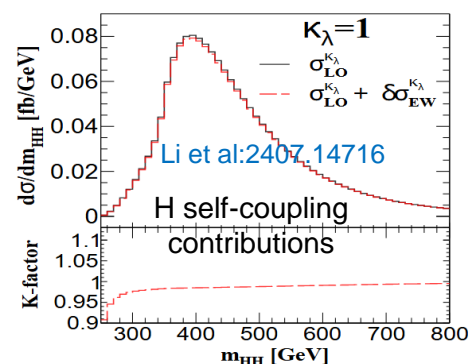
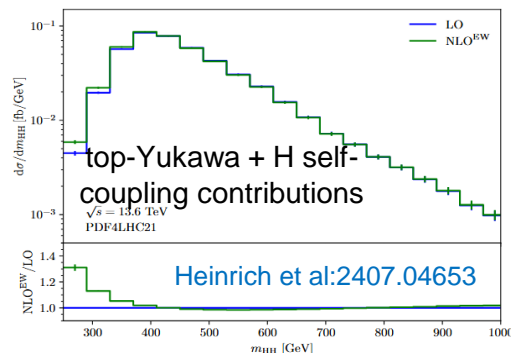
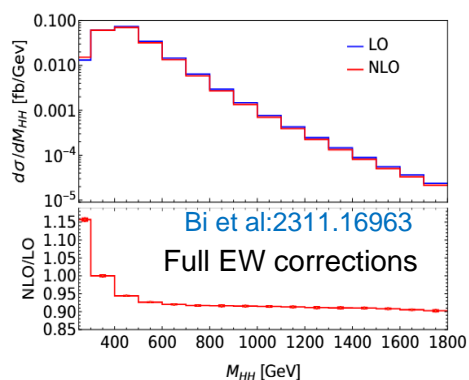
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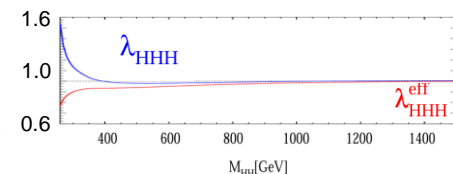
	Full EW corrections	H self-coupling contributions	top-Yukawa contributions
δ^{EW} Bi et al:2311.16963	-4.2%	-1.395%	2.344%
		0.949%	
δ^{EW} Heinrich et al:2407.04653	-	1%	
δ^{EW} Li et al:2407.14716 and Zhang's talk at Higgs 2023	-	-1.401%	2.355%
		0.953%	
δ^{EW} Muhlleitner et al:2207.02524	-	-	0.2%

HTL for
ggH(H) vertices

Results: Differential cross sections

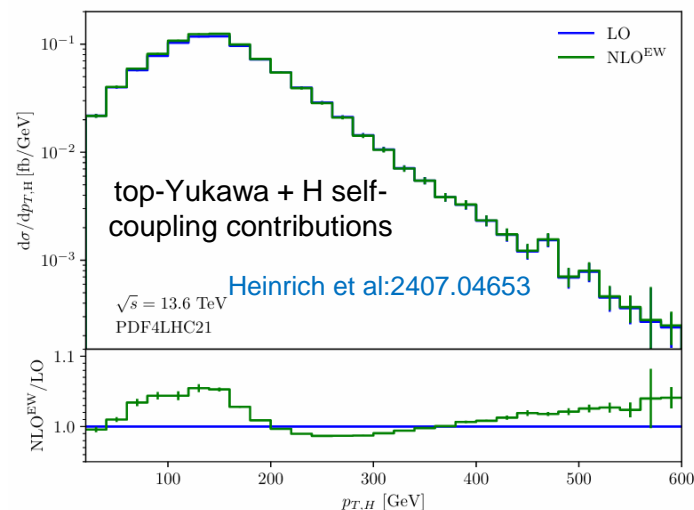
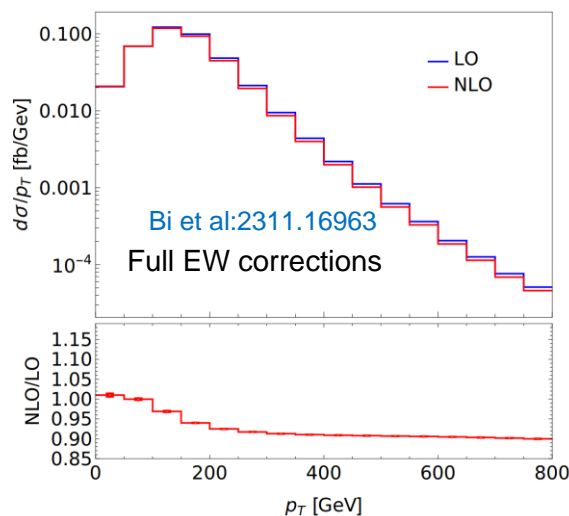


Muhlleitner et al:2207.02524
top-Yukawa contributions



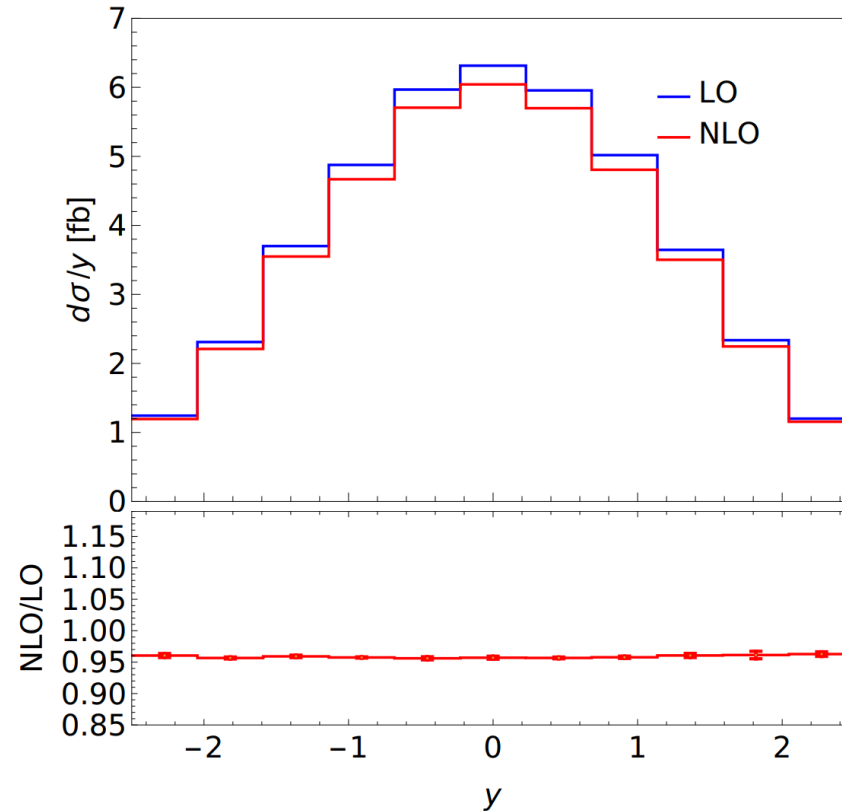
- Significant corrections at HH production threshold.
 - The gauge boson contributions included in full EW corrections is negative in the threshold region.
 - Top-Yukawa contributions and H self-coupling contributions have opposite signs in the threshold region.
- Partial results have ~0% corrections at high energy region, while full EW shows -10% corrections at high energy region.
 - The gauge boson contributions included in full EW corrections is negative at high energy region.
- The last plot shows that the M_{HH} is sensitive to the modeling of H self-coupling.
 - The measurement of M_{HH} at HH production threshold is key issue to probe the H self couplings.

Results: Differential cross sections



- At High energy region
 - Positive corrections for top-Yukawa + H self-coupling contributions
 - Negative corrections for full EW corrections
 - At high energy region, gauge boson contribution dominates and is negative

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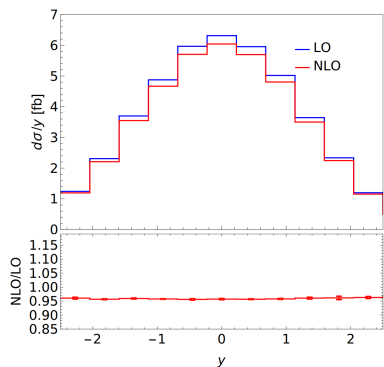
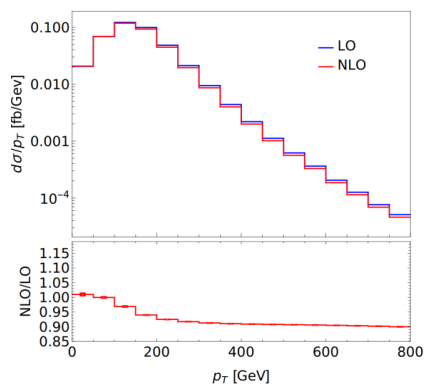
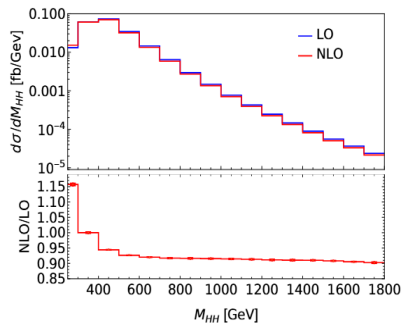


- Flat corrections at around -4%.
 - Similar to the total cross section

Results



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Bin (GeV)	250 -	300 -	400 -	500 -	600 -	700 -	800 -	900 -
	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000
K-fac	1.157(4)	1.000(2)	0.9442(2)	0.9263(2)	0.9204(3)	0.9171(9)	0.916(2)	0.916(2)
Bin (GeV)	1000 -	1100 -	1200 -	1300 -	1400 -	1500 -	1600 -	1700 -
	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800
K-fac	0.915(2)	0.913(2)	0.911(2)	0.911(2)	0.910(1)	0.9082(8)	0.9054(5)	0.902(2)

Bin (GeV)	0 -	50 -	100 -	150 -	200 -	250 -	300 -	350 -
	50	100	150	200	250	300	350	400
K-fac	1.010(4)	1.000(2)	0.969(2)	0.9399(4)	0.9249(1)	0.9172(1)	0.9129(1)	0.9104(1)
Bin (GeV)	400 -	450 -	500 -	550 -	600 -	650 -	700 -	750 -
	450	500	550	600	650	700	750	800
K-fac	0.9089(1)	0.9079(1)	0.9069(1)	0.9059(1)	0.9047(1)	0.9033(2)	0.9018(1)	0.8999(5)

Bin	-2.5 -	-2.04545 -	-1.59091 -	-1.13636 -	-0.681818 -	-0.227273 -	0.227273 -	0.681818 -
	-2.04545	-1.59091	-1.13636	-0.681818	-0.227273	0.227273	0.681818	1.13636
K-fac	0.960(3)	0.957(2)	0.959(2)	0.957(1)	0.956(2)	0.957(2)	0.957(2)	0.958(2)
Bin	1.13636 -	1.59091 -	2.04545 -					
	1.59091	2.04545	2.5					
K-fac	0.961(3)	0.961(6)	0.963(4)					

Summary



- **Higgs self coupling** is important to identify the Higgs potential and to probe new physics.
- The study of $\sigma(\text{HH})$ is the **best way** to extract the Higgs self coupling.
- Our **full calculation** includes all the diagrams and all the mass effects.
- **-4%** EW corrections at total cross section level.
- For dimensionful observables, EW corrections reach up to **+15%** at the beginning of the spectrum and **-10%** in the tail.
- Our results suggest that the remained uncertainties from theoretical side is overall about **few percent** and it's **precise enough** for the measurements at the HL-HLC.

Thanks for your attention!