

Precise prediction of MSSM Higgs boson  
masses combining fixed-order and  
effective field theory calculations

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Current situation:

- ▶ Higgs discovery at LHC fixed last free parameter of the Standard Model (SM),

$$M_h = 125.08 \pm 0.21(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.11(\text{sys.})\text{GeV}$$

- ▶ However still open questions which can not be solved within the SM  
→ Need beyond SM physics
- ▶ No direct evidence for beyond SM physics at LHC so far

Beyond SM models constrained by

- ▶ Direct searches
- ▶ Indirect constraints → precision observables

## One of the most common models of beyond the SM physics

### Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model

- ▶ Builds upon the concept of Supersymmetry (SUSY) relating bosons and fermions
- ▶ Each SM particle is associated with a superpartner
- ▶ Superpartner has same couplings but its spin is shift by 1/2

MSSM Higgs sector: 2 Higgs doublets

- ▶ Corresponds to a type II Two-Higgs-doublet model (THDM)
- ▶ Two Higgs doublets results in five physical Higgs states:  $\mathcal{CP}$ -even:  $h, H$ ;  $\mathcal{CP}$ -odd:  $A$ ; Charged:  $H^\pm$
- ▶ SUSY reduces Higgs potential parameters to 2 non-SM parameters ( $M_A$  and  $\tan \beta = v_2/v_1$ )

## Special feature of MSSM

Mass of lightest  $\mathcal{CP}$ -even Higgs  $M_h$  is calculable in terms of model parameters  $\Rightarrow$  can be used as a precision observable

- ▶ At tree-level  $M_h^2 \simeq M_Z^2 \cos(2\beta)^2 \leq M_Z^2$
- ▶  $M_h$  is however heavily affected by loop corrections (up to  $\sim 100\%$ )

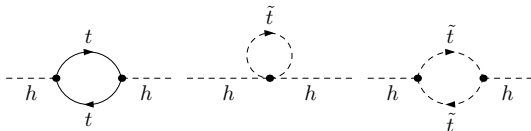
$\rightarrow$  Higher order calculations are essential

Two standard approaches:

- ▶ Fixed-order techniques
- ▶ Effective field theories

## Fixed-order approach

Calculate Higgs self-energy diagrams:

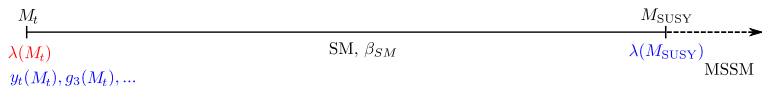


Status: full 1L,  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s(\alpha_b + \alpha_t), (\alpha_b + \alpha_t)^2)$  2L, partial 3L

→ Precise for low SUSY scales ✓

But: For high scales large logarithms appear,  $\ln(M_{\text{SUSY}}/M_t)$ ,  
spoil convergence of perturbative expansion ✗

# EFT calculation



- ▶ Integrate out all SUSY particles  $\rightarrow$  SM as EFT
- ▶ Higgs self-coupling fixed at matching scale  

$$\lambda(M_{SUSY}) = \frac{1}{4}(g^2 + g_y^2) \cos^2 2\beta + \dots$$
- ▶ Run  $\lambda$  down to electroweak scale using SM RGEs
- ▶ Calculate Higgs mass in effective SM:  $M_h^2 = 2\lambda(M_t)v^2 + \dots$

Status: full LL+NLL,  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s, \alpha_t, \alpha_b)$  NNLL

$\rightarrow$  Precise for high SUSY scales (logarithms resummed) ✓

But: Inaccurate for low scales (misses  $\mathcal{O}(M_t/M_{SUSY})$  terms) ✗

## How to deal with intermediary SUSY scales?

- ▶ For superpartners in the LHC range, both large logarithms and  $\mathcal{O}(M_t/M_{\text{SUSY}})$  terms might be relevant



### Hybrid approach

Combine both approaches to get precise results for both regimes

- ▶ First calculation based on existing state-of-the-art fixed-order result:
  - $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s, \alpha_t)$  LL and NLL resummation [Hahn et. al. (2013)]
  - Implemented into public code **FeynHiggs**

## Hybrid approach

1. Calculate diagrammatic fixed-order self-energies, e.g.  $\hat{\Sigma}_{hh}$
2. Calculate EFT result  $2\lambda(M_t)v^2$
3. Add non-logarithmic terms contained in fixed-order result and the logarithms contained in EFT result

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{hh} \longrightarrow \hat{\Sigma}_{hh} + \Delta_{hh}^{\text{EFT}}$$

with

$$\Delta_{hh}^{\text{EFT}} = -[\hat{\Sigma}_{hh}]_{\log} - [2v^2\lambda(M_t)]_{\log}$$

Additional complication:

Fixed-order calculation uses mixed OS/ $\overline{\text{DR}}$  scheme, for EFT calculation however  $\overline{\text{DR}}$  parameters needed (i.e.  $X_t^{\overline{\text{DR}}}$ )

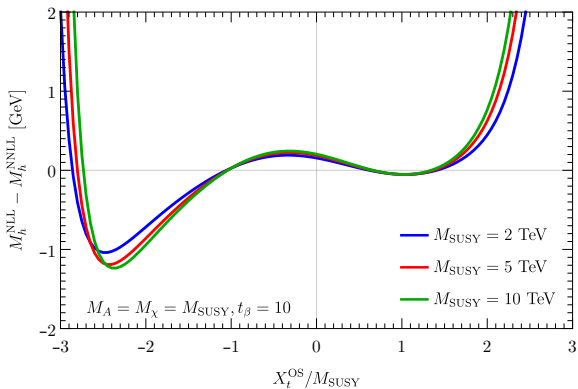
→ 1L log only conversion of  $X_t$  sufficient



# Improvement of EFT calculation

- ▶ Inclusion of electroweak contributions
  - Included at the LL+NLL level  
(full SM 2L RGEs, full 1L threshold corrections)
  - Include electroweak 1L corrections to SM  $\overline{MS}$  top mass, used in the fixed-order calculation
- ▶ Separate thresholds for EWinos and gluino
- ▶ Inclusion of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s, \alpha_t)$  NNLL resummation
  - 2L threshold correction for  $\lambda$ , 3L RGEs

# Example result – Inclusion of NNLL resummation



Same logarithmic accuracy as pure EFT calculations

## Comparison to pure EFT calculations

For large SUSY scales, suppressed terms are negligible  
⇒ Expect to see agreement with EFT codes for high scales

✗ Large discrepancies could be observed

Two main origins found:

- ▶  $\overline{\text{DR}} \leftrightarrow \text{OS}$  conversion
- ▶ Determination of Higgs propagator pole

Focus on single scale scenario:  $\tan \beta = 10$ ,  $M_A = M_\chi = M_{\text{Susy}}$

Hybrid approach uses OS/ $\overline{\text{DR}}$  scheme  $\leftrightarrow$  EFT calculations  $\overline{\text{DR}}$

→ For comparison parameter conversion necessary

Especially relevant: stop mixing parameter  $X_t$   
(large impact on Higgs mass, large logarithms in conversion)

Conversion:

- ▶  $X_t^{\overline{\text{DR}}} \xrightarrow{1L} X_t^{\text{OS}}$
- ▶ Forget about  $X_t^{\overline{\text{DR}}}$ , use  $X_t^{\text{OS}}$  as “new” input parameter

Problem: result contains resummed logarithms

→ Conversion induces additional logarithms not present in a genuine  $\overline{\text{DR}}$  calculation

⇒ Implemented optional  $\overline{\text{DR}}$  ren. of fixed-order result

## Pole mass determination

In the decoupling limit  $M_A \gg M_t$ , we have to solve

$$p^2 - m_h^2 + \hat{\Sigma}_{hh}(p^2) + \Delta_{hh}^{\text{EFT}} = 0$$

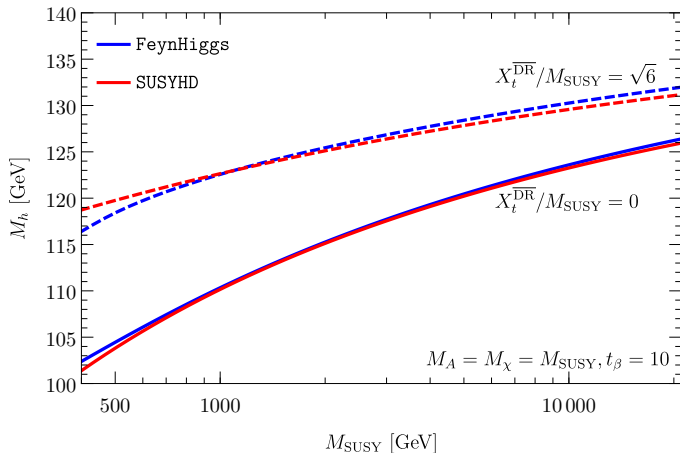
- ▶ Numerical solution induces terms beyond order of fixed-order calculation
- ▶ Part of these terms would cancel in a more complete calculation



Adapted determination of Higgs propagator pole to avoid these terms (truncate expansion around tree-level mass)

# Comparison to SUSYHD as exemplary EFT code

[J.P. Vega, G. Villadoro]



→ Good agreement for  $M_{\text{SUSY}} > 1$  TeV

## Resummation for low $M_A$

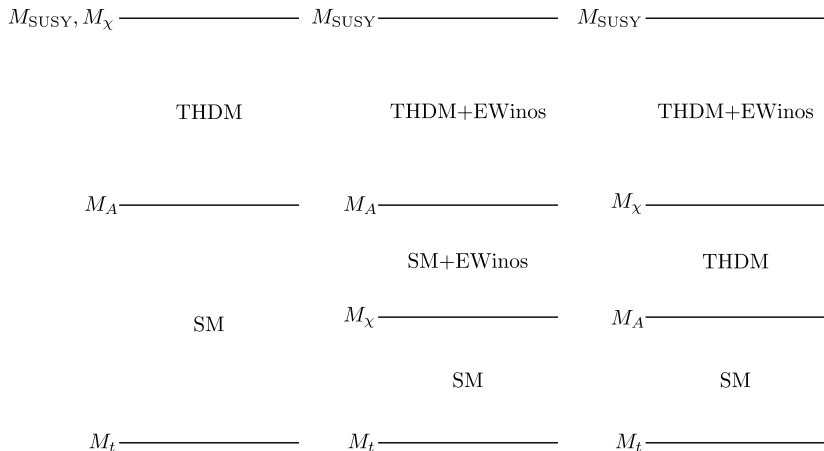
### Assumption so far

Fermion superpartners and heavy Higgs bosons share common mass scale

In case of  $M_A \ll M_{\text{SUSY}}$ , SM is not the right EFT anymore



Low-energy THDM is needed for full resummation of  
 $\ln(M_{\text{SUSY}}/M_A)$

EFTs for low  $M_A$ 

$$M_\chi = M_1 = M_2 = \mu;$$

Additional freely variable gluino threshold not shown



## EFT calculation

- ▶ All possible hierarchies taken into account
    - THDM type III  $\rightarrow$  12 effective couplings  $(\lambda_{1..7}, h_t, h'_t)$
    - THDM type III + EWinos  $\rightarrow$  20 effective couplings  $(\lambda_{1..7}, h_t, h'_t + \text{gaugino-Higgsino-Higgs couplings})$
  - ▶ Full 2L running for all effective couplings (RGEs via **SARAH**)
  - ▶ Full 1L threshold corrections for all effective couplings
  - ▶  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha_t)$  threshold corrections for  $\lambda_i$ 's
- $\rightarrow$  Most precise EFT calculation available

## Combination with fixed-order calculation

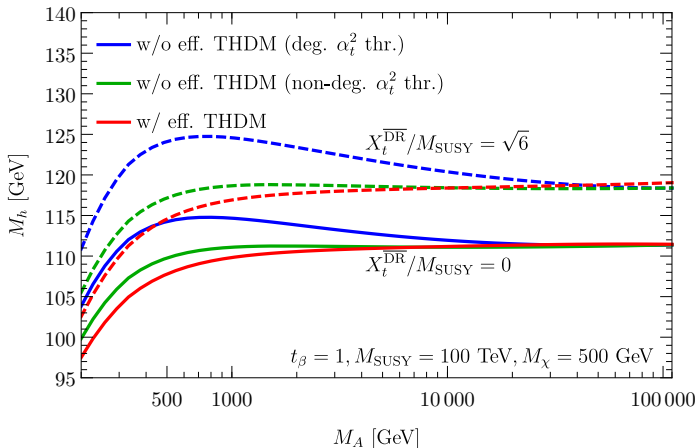
$\mathcal{CP}$ -even Higgs masses are zeros of

$$\Delta_{\text{hybrid}}^{-1}(p^2) = \begin{pmatrix} p^2 - m_h^2 + \hat{\Sigma}_{hh}(p^2) + \Delta_{hh}^{\text{EFT}} & \hat{\Sigma}_{hH}(p^2) + \Delta_{hH}^{\text{EFT}} \\ \hat{\Sigma}_{hH}(p^2) + \Delta_{hH}^{\text{EFT}} & p^2 - m_H^2 + \hat{\Sigma}_{HH}(p^2) + \Delta_{HH}^{\text{EFT}} \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $\Delta_{ij}^{\text{EFT}} = \hat{\Sigma}_{ij}^{\text{EFT}} - \hat{\Sigma}_{ij}^{\text{sub}}$

Important: “Relative” normalization of Higgs doublets

- ▶ Combination of EFT result (THDM normalization) with fixed order result (MSSM renormalization)  
→ Implemented by means of finite field renormalization
- ▶ Calculation of 1L and 2L subtraction terms

Scan over  $M_A$ 

## Conclusion

- ▶ SM-like Higgs mass is an important constraint on MSSM parameter space
- ▶ Precise prediction for low and high SUSY scales  
→ Combine fixed-order and EFT calculations
- ▶ Improved accuracy of EFT calculation
  - Full LL, NLL and  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s, \alpha_t)$  NNLL corrections
  - Low-energy electroweakino and gluino thresholds
- ▶ Optional  $\overline{\text{DR}}$  renorm. and improved pole determination  
→ Good agreement with pure EFT codes found for high scales
- ▶ For low  $M_A$ , implemented effective THDM as EFT

→ All results implemented into public code **FeynHiggs**