

# Searches for Beyond-Standard Model Higgs bosons



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# What it's all about

- ✓ What is the motivation for a BSM Higgs sector?
- ✓ What have we learnt from LEP and flavour physics and what does the discovery of a 125-GeV SM-like Higgs boson mean in this context?
- ✓ What have we learnt from LHC Run-I and what are the prospects for Run-II?

## Warnings:

- ⇒ Not meant to be a comprehensive discussion of these topics: this would need much more than a seminar
- ⇒ Biased selection of experimental results: I will mostly show few LEP and ATLAS results

Apologies if your favourite BSM Higgs result is missing



# The Standard Model of Particle Physics (1897 – 2012)

In summer 2012, slightly more than a century after the identification of the first elementary particle, the last piece of the Standard Model was directly observed

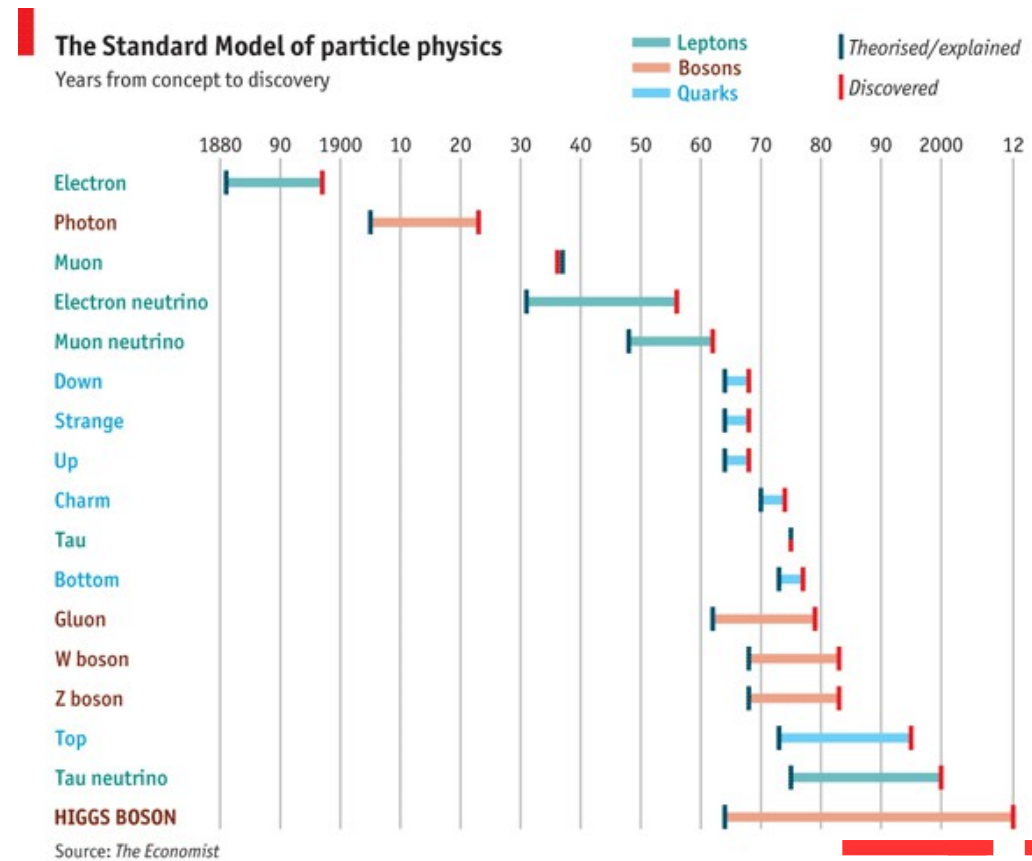
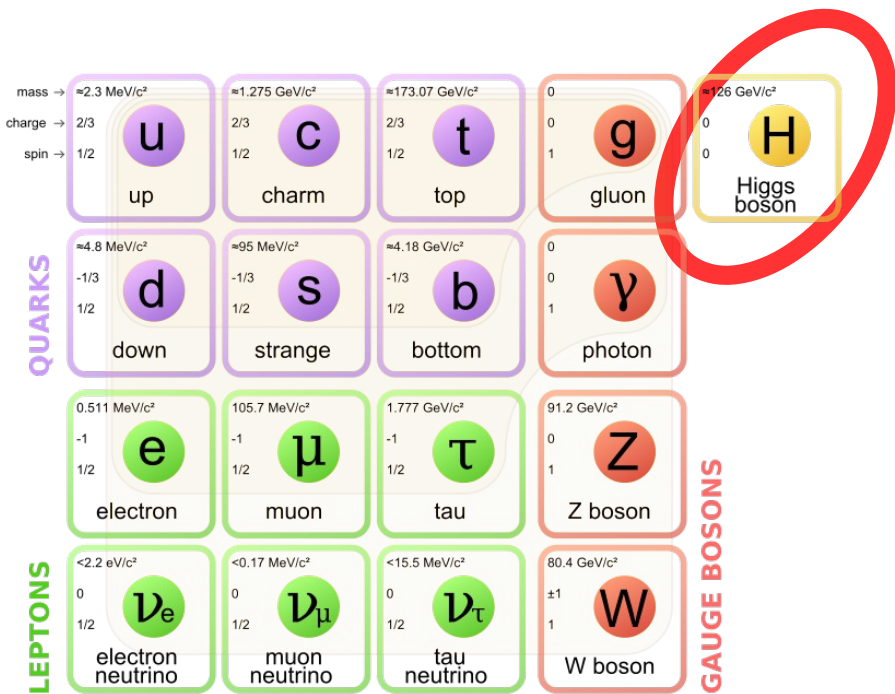


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**Supersymmetry**

# The Higgs boson

The Higgs boson is not only an important piece of the electroweak (EWK) symmetry breaking mechanism: it also provides access to physics beyond the SM

- ✓ first fundamental (?) scalar particle found (“little hierarchy” problem)
- ✓ a least constrained SM sector by symmetry principles (“custodial symmetry”  $\rho = (m_W/m_Z \cos\theta)^2 \simeq 1$ )
- ✓ the only dimension-2 coupling in the SM Lagrangian (“Higgs portal”)
- ✓ the only non-gauge interaction in the SM



# Beyond the Standard Model

- Standard Model is not the full picture. A number of questions that may be related to the Higgs sector are the following
  - CP-violation sources in nature, baryogenesis conditions  
**2HDM, SUSY, ...**
  - What is dark matter composed of? **SUSY, “Higgs portal”**
  - Do interactions unify at some high energy scale? **SUSY**
  - What is the neutrino mass origin?  
**Higgs triplets & see-saw mechanism**
  - Can fundamental scalars exist in Nature? **SUSY, TC, ...**

**Examples of popular topics for physics models with extended Higgs sectors**

# Talk Overview: the “big” picture

SM Higgs

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

What is the structure of the Higgs sector?

- 2 doublets? (2HDM; MSSM)
- More than 2 doublets? (e.g. NMSSM)
- Higher order representations?

Is Higgs a bridge to hidden sectors?

- hidden valley; Higgs to dark matter, ...

Notice: I have chosen a simple framework to place the experimental search program; I won't discuss theory models like Little Higgs, Extra Dimensions, etc.

# Supersymmetry and the MSSM

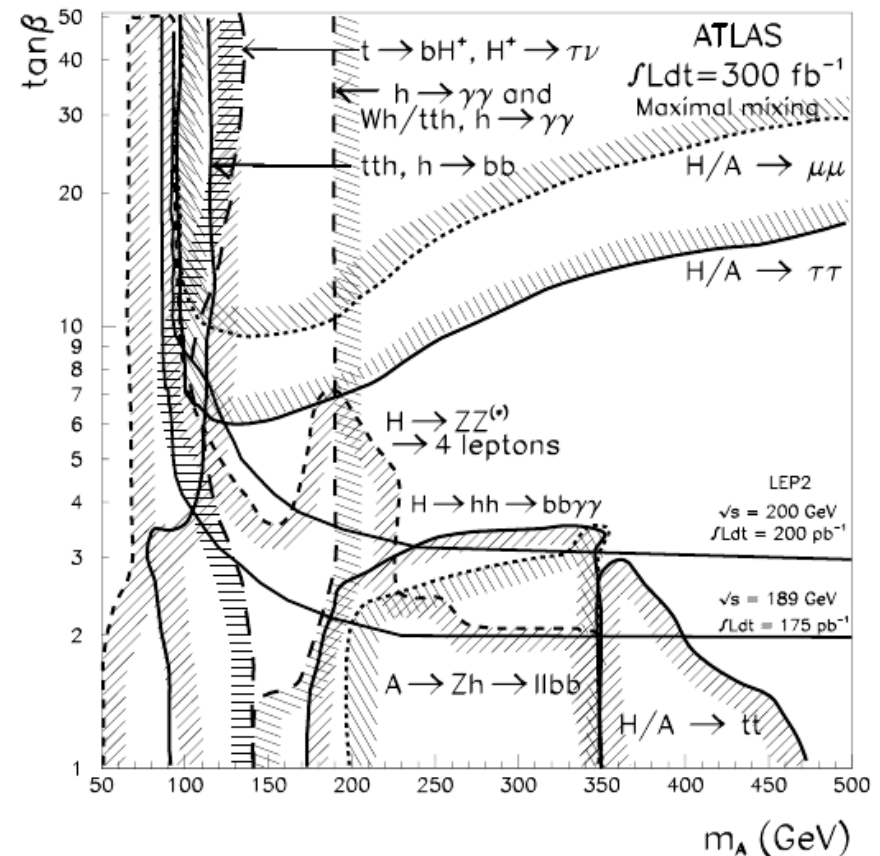
MSSM has been the basic idea behind the design of BSM Higgs searches from LEP and Tevatron till the discovery of  $h_{125}$ .

**“There is nothing more practical than a good theory.”**

## Technical Design Report

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# Supersymmetry and the MSSM

- MSSM = Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model
    - An (almost ?) complete realization of low energy supersymmetry
      - Minimal gauge group, i.e. SM  $SU(3) \otimes SU(2) \otimes U(1)$
      - Minimal particle content
      - R-parity conservation, i.e. dark matter candidate
      - Soft SUSY breaking
- ⇒ MSSM has more than 100 parameters; but fortunately it can be shown that most of the choices violate experimental bounds
- ⇒ Assuming reduced FCNC, no new sources of CP-violation, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> generation universality you are left with 19 parameters:  
*phenomenological MSSM or pMSSM*



# MSSM: Higgs at tree-level

- MSSM has 2 Higgs doublets
  - Higgsino is a fermion: anomaly cancellation needs 2<sup>nd</sup> doublet
  - One doublet for up-type fermions and the other to down-type
- CP-conserving Higgs sector (at lowest order)
  - After EWK symmetry breaking 5 Higgs bosons
  - CP-even: h and H; CP-odd A; Charged H<sup>+</sup> and H<sup>-</sup>

**Very economical: only two SUSY parameters needed**

$\Rightarrow m_A$  or  $m_{H^+} \Rightarrow \tan\beta = v_2/v_1$  (ratio of Higgs v.e.v.s: up / down)

**Very constraining: tight restrictions in Higgs masses**

$\Rightarrow$  e.g. lightest CP-even Higgs is lighter than the Z boson!

# MSSM: Higgs beyond the tree-level

- Radiative corrections play an important role for the mass of the lightest CP-even Higgs,  $h$

$$\Delta m_h^2 = \frac{3 m_t^4}{2 \pi^2 v^2} \left[ \log \frac{m_S^2}{m_t^2} + (X_t/m_S)^2 \left( 1 - \frac{(X_t/m_S)^2}{12} \right) \right] + \dots$$

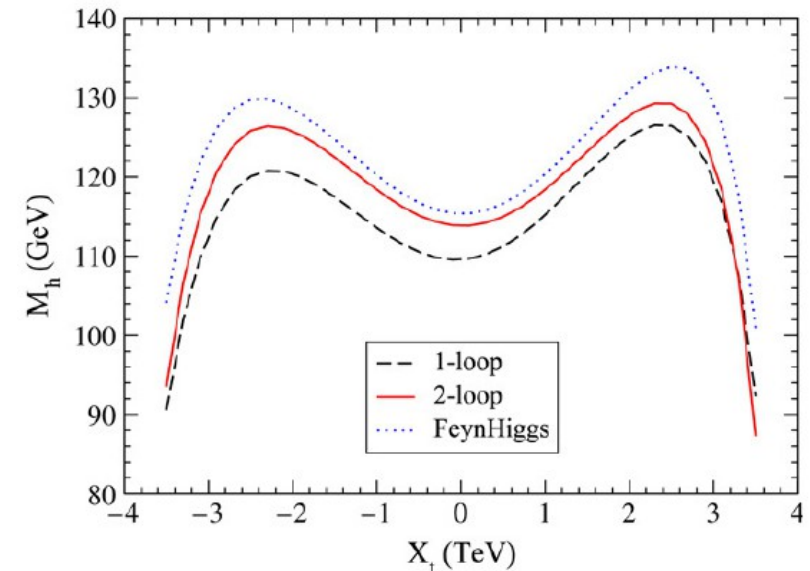
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$m_S^2 = m_{\tilde{t}_1} m_{\tilde{t}_2}$  stop masses average

$X_t = A_t - \mu/\tan\beta$  (stop mixing)

◇ “maximal mixing scenarios” refer to fixing  $m_S$  and choose  $X_t$  such that  $m_h$  is maximized

◇ you can make it up to  $m_h \sim 135$  GeV



# MSSM: masses of the Heavy Higgses

- MSSM poses tight constraints on the other Higgses, especially at high  $m_A$ 
  - Charged Higgs mass (tree-level)

$$M_{H^\pm}^2 = M_A^2 + M_W^2$$

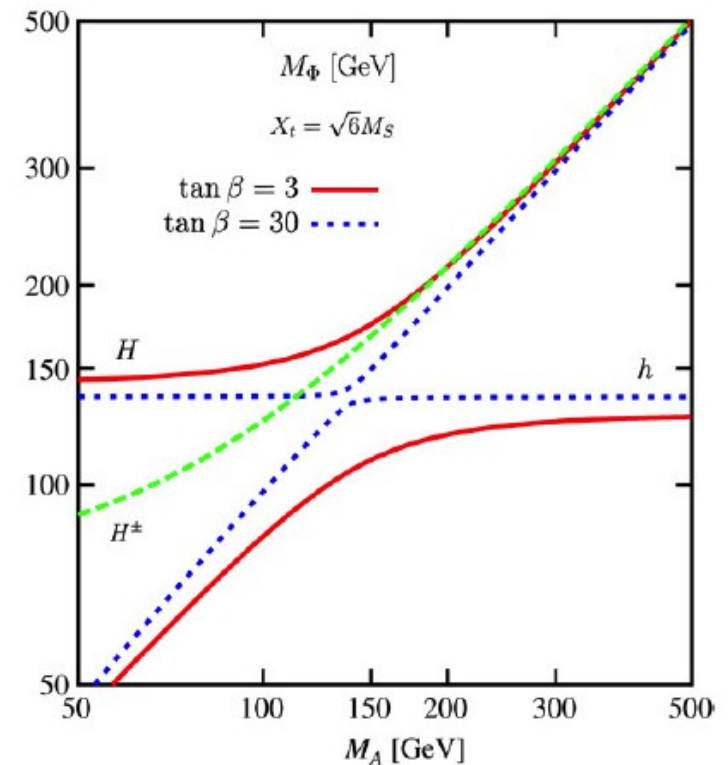
- Example for other masses at a “maximal mixing” scenario

Large  $\tan\beta$  ( $>10$ ) and large  $M_A$  ( $>130$  GeV)

$$M_A \simeq M_H \simeq M_{H^\pm} \text{ and } M_h \simeq 130 \text{ GeV}$$

Large  $\tan\beta$  ( $>10$ ) and small  $M_A$  ( $<130$  GeV)

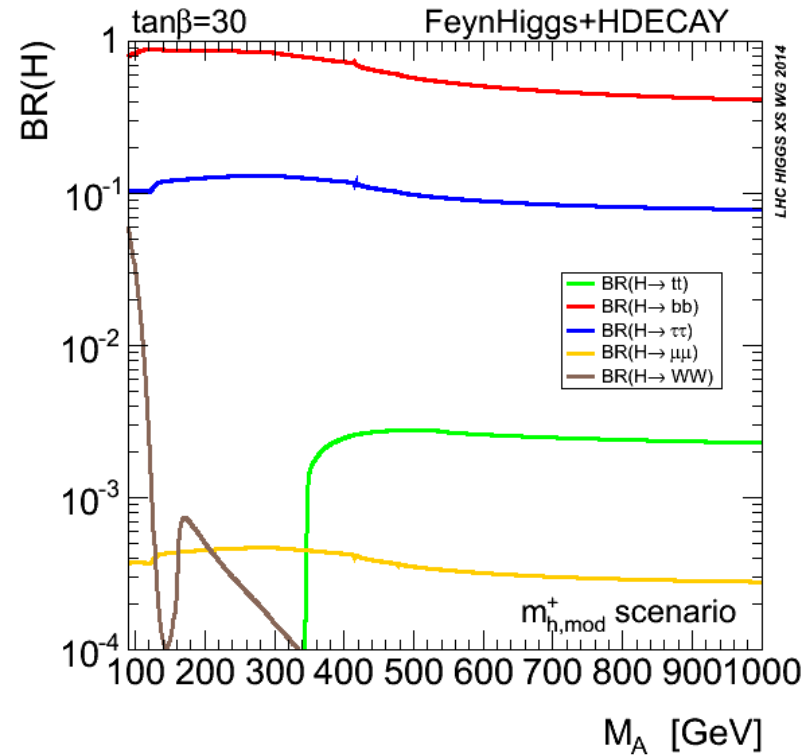
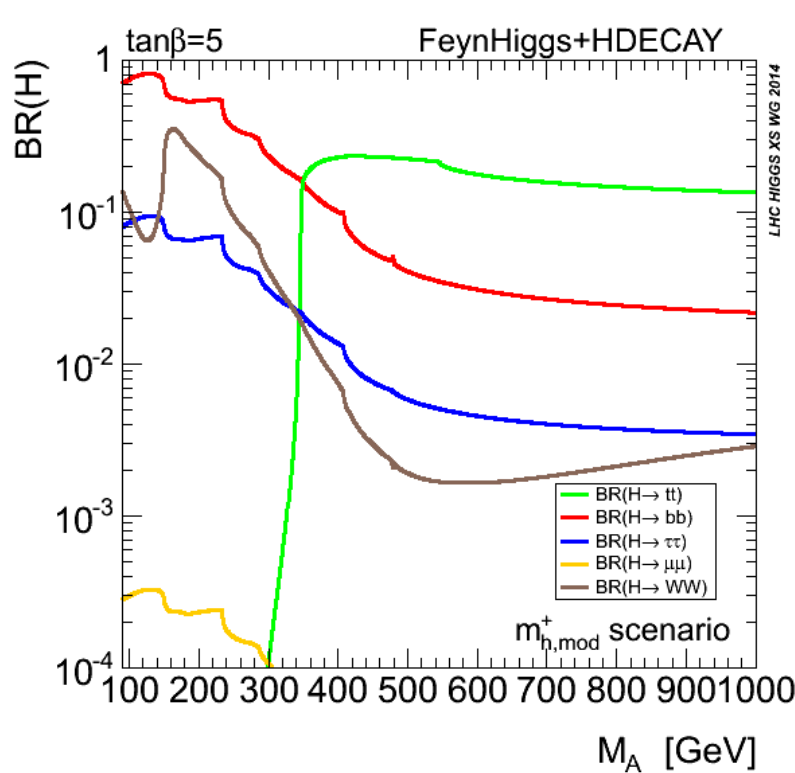
$$M_A \simeq M_h \text{ and } M_H \simeq 130 \text{ GeV}$$



# MSSM Pheno: Neutral Higgs decay

- The phenomenology for neutral Higgs depends a lot on  $\tan\beta$

Example for Heavy CP-even (H) Higgs decays

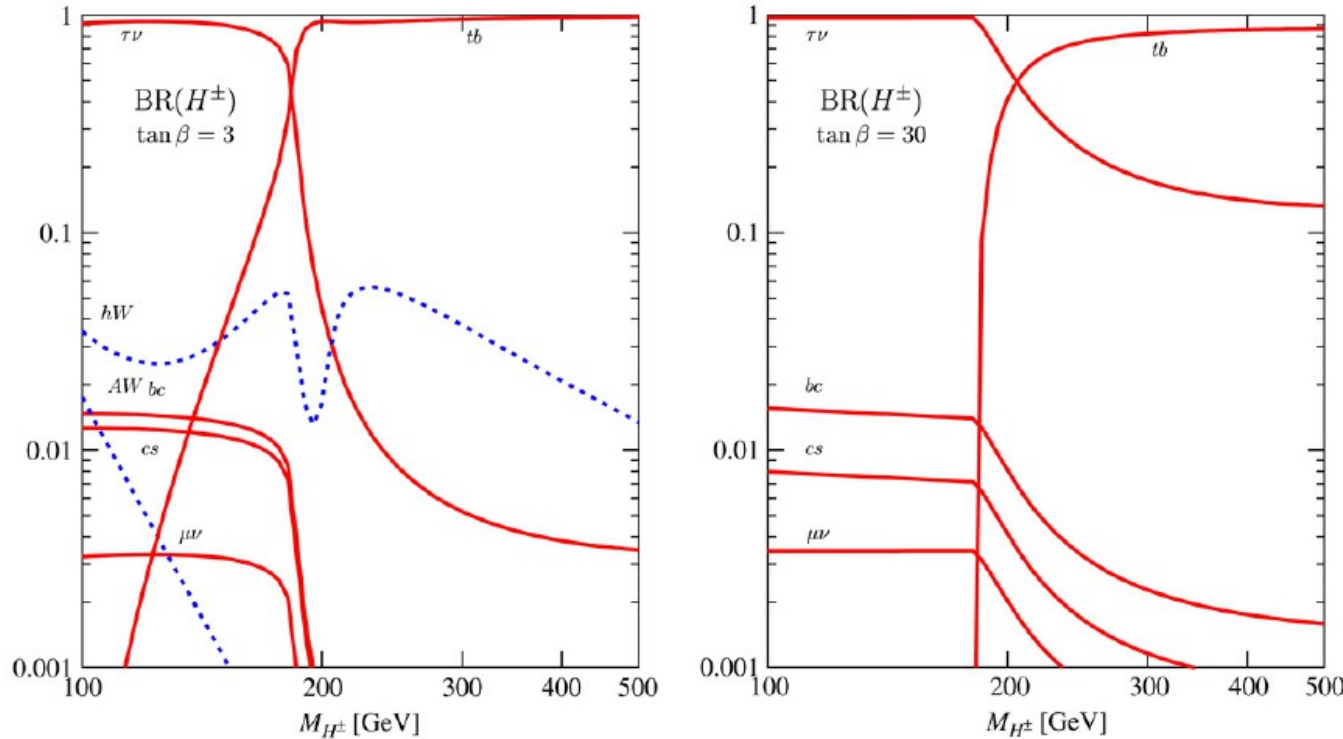


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# MSSM Pheno: Charged Higgs decay

- The phenomenology for charged Higgs depends on  $\tan\beta$ , but to a smaller extent wrt neutral Higgses

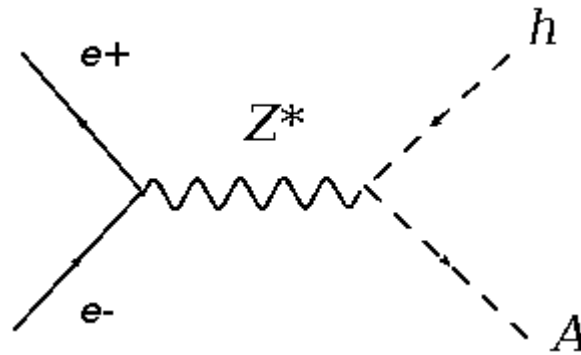
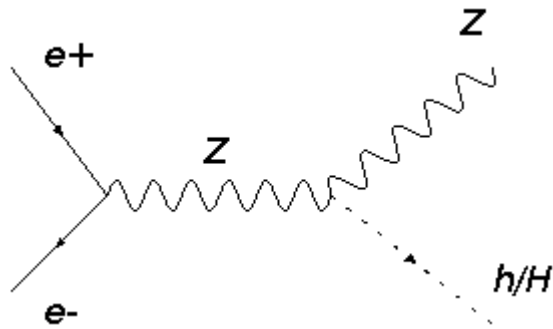
## Example for Heavy Charged Higgs decays



Charged Higgs decay BR for a low and high  $\tan\beta$  (maximal mixing)

# MSSM Neutral Higgses at LEP

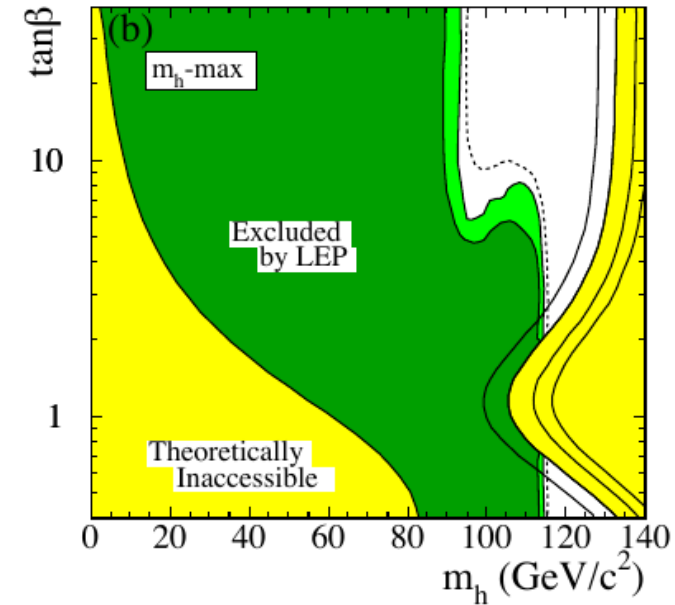
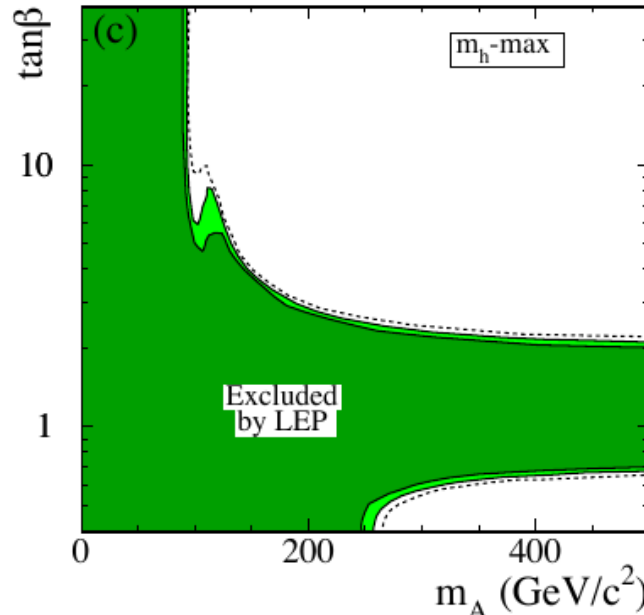
- LEP: electron – positron collisions with c.m.e. up to 209 GeV



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Various decay channels considered:  
 $h \rightarrow bb, \tau\tau, jj, AA$   
 $Z \rightarrow jj, ll$

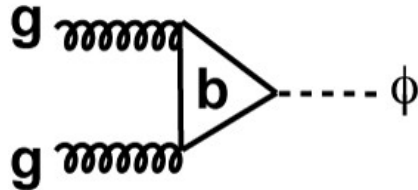
The basic LEP result is that  $m_A < 90 \text{ GeV}$  ( $m_{H^\pm} < 120 \text{ GeV}$ ) is excluded



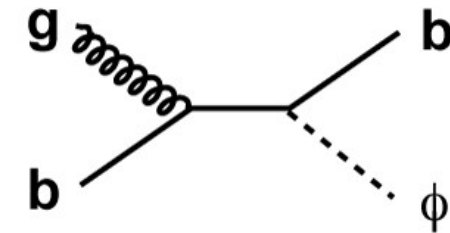
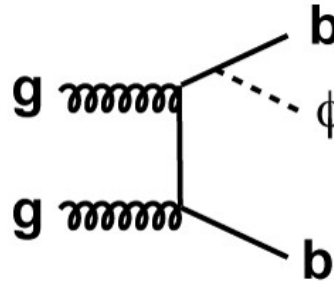
# MSSM Neutral Higgses at LHC

- Neutral Higgs production at the LHC

Gluon-fusion and



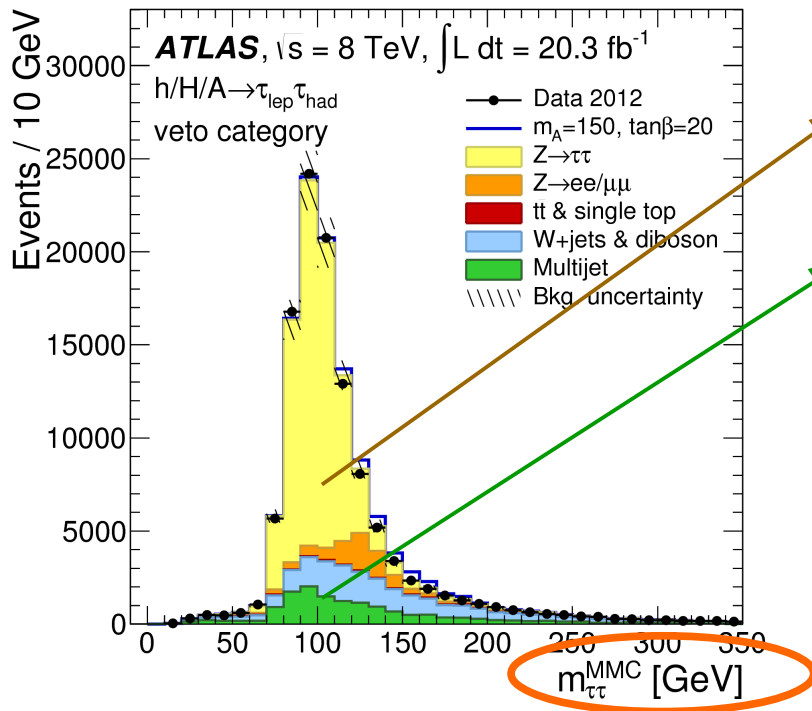
“b-associated” production



- Preferred decays at large  $\tan\beta$ :  $h/H/A \rightarrow \tau\tau$  and  $bb$ 
  - $BR(H/A \rightarrow \tau\tau) \sim 10\%$  for most of the parameter space
  - “ $\tau\tau$ ” modes have usually better sensitivity

# h/H/A → ττ

- Separate by τ decay mode:  $\tau_{lep}\tau_{lep}$ ,  $\tau_{lep}\tau_{had}$ ,  $\tau_{had}\tau_{had}$  and “b-tag” / “b-veto” categories to benefit from the different production modes



$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  from “tau-embedded”  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events in data

Events with a tau faked by a jet, like Z+jets, W+jets, ttbar, multi-jet production are data-driven.

The rest of the backgrounds are taken from simulation.

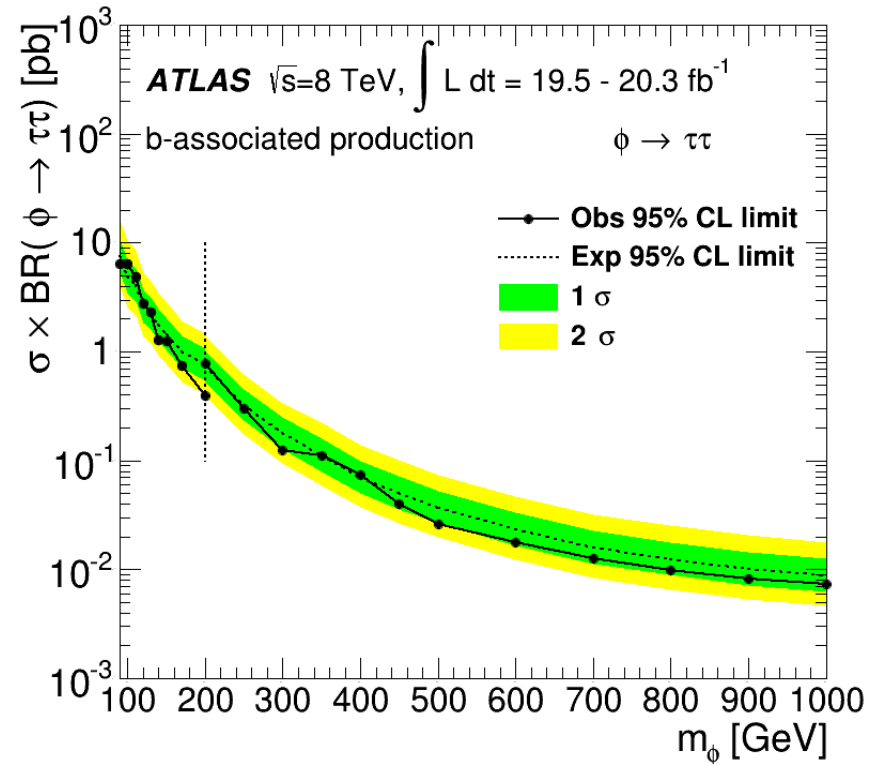
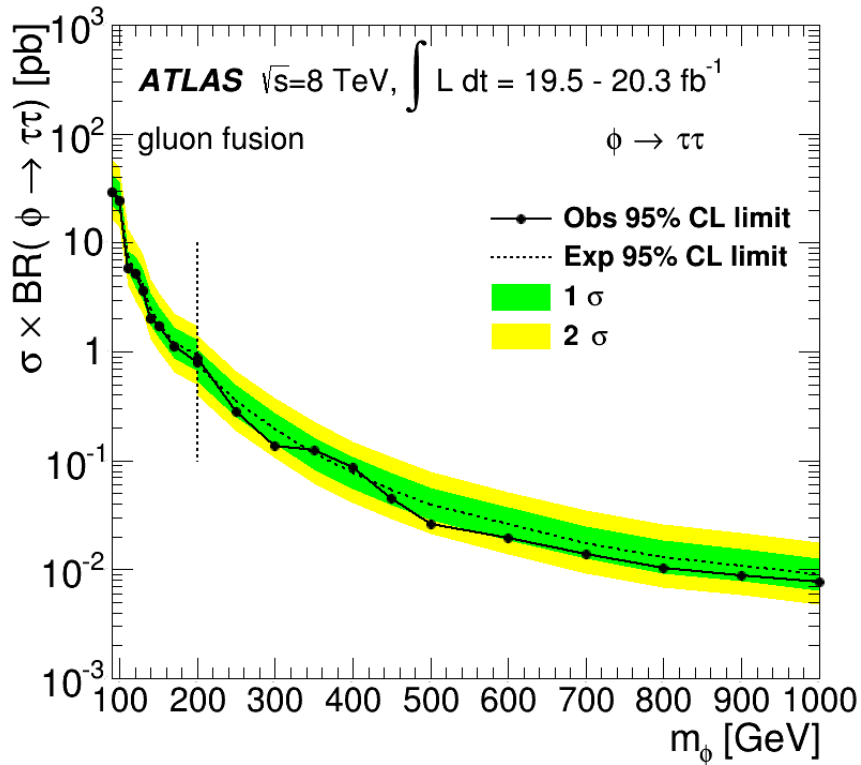
**Mass reconstruction:** MMC technique takes into account information from MET in order to predict the direction of the neutrinos

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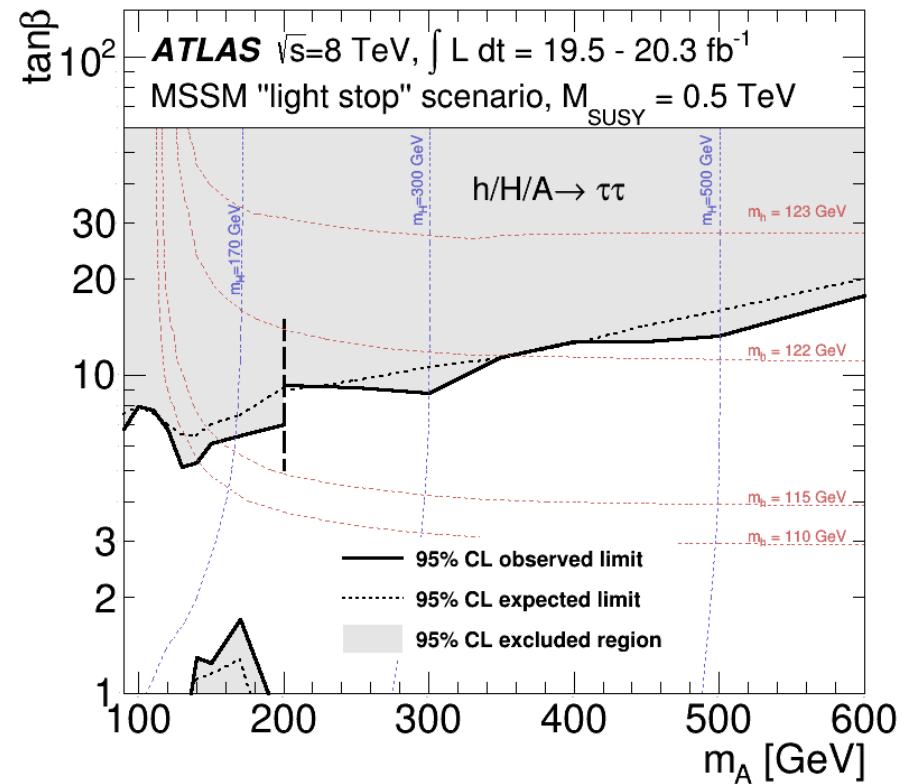
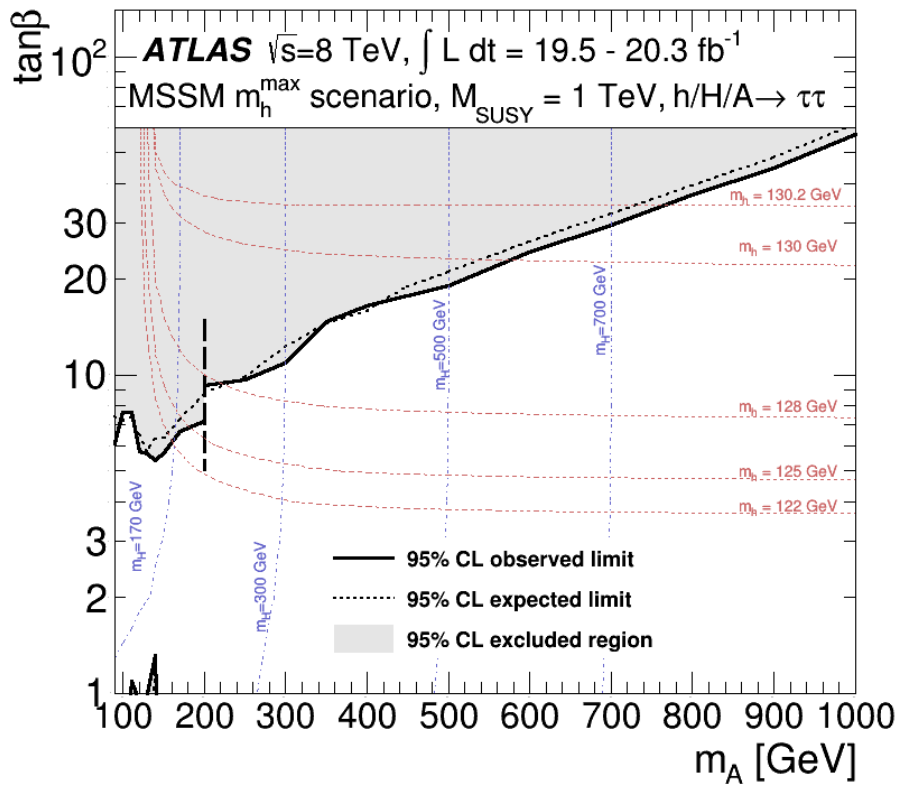
# $h/H/A \rightarrow \tau\tau$

- No excess of events: cross sections limits for a narrow  $\tau\tau$  resonance for different production mechanisms



# $h/H/A \rightarrow \tau\tau$

- Interpretation of the search for various MSSM scenarios

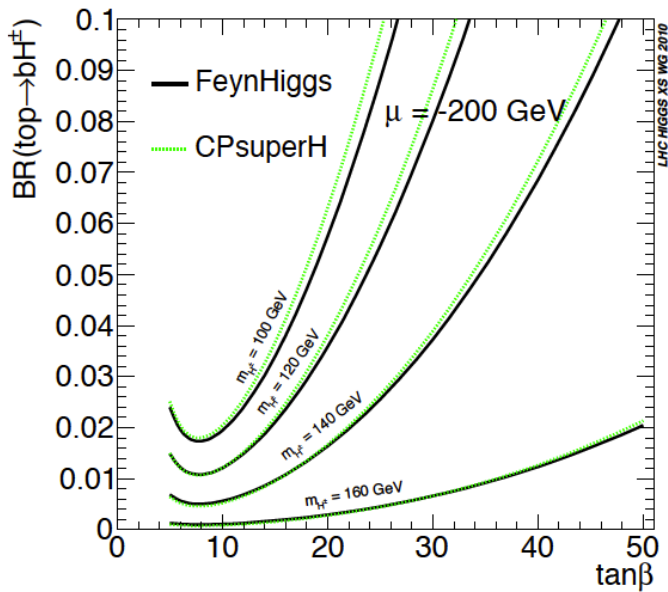


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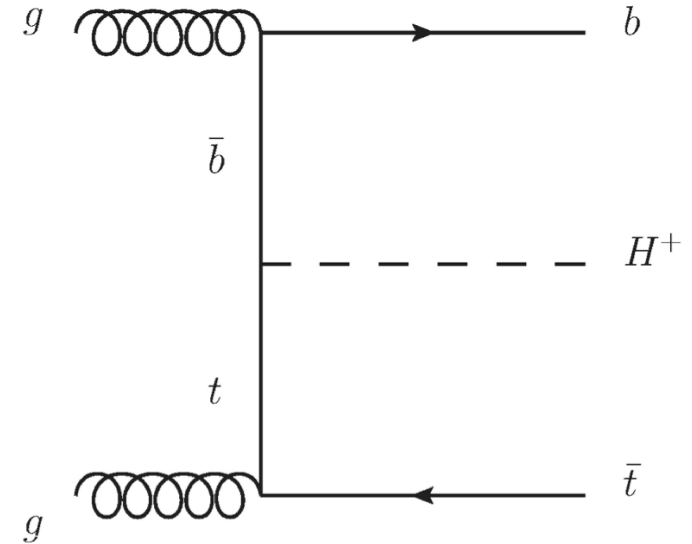
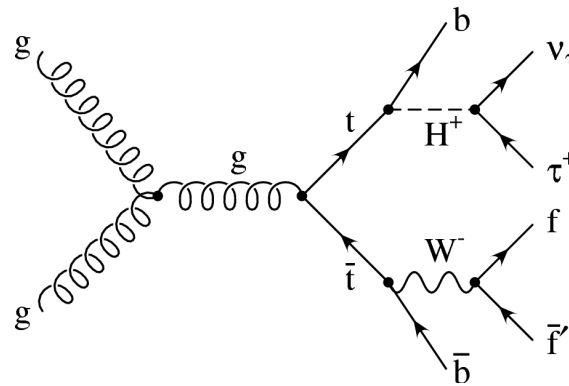
# MSSM Charged Higgs at the LHC

Light Charged Higgs is produced mainly in top quark decays

Heavy Charged Higgs is produced mainly in association with a top quark



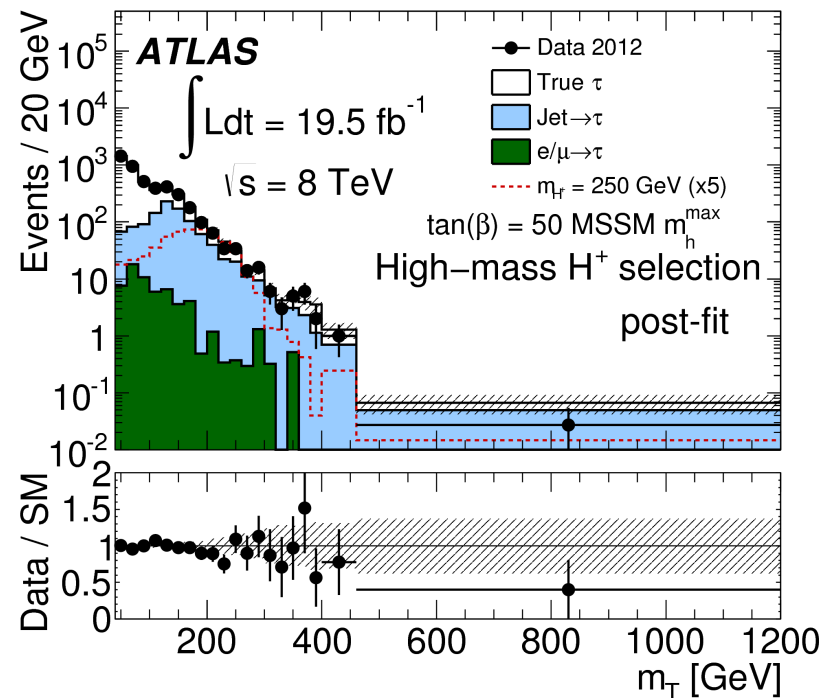
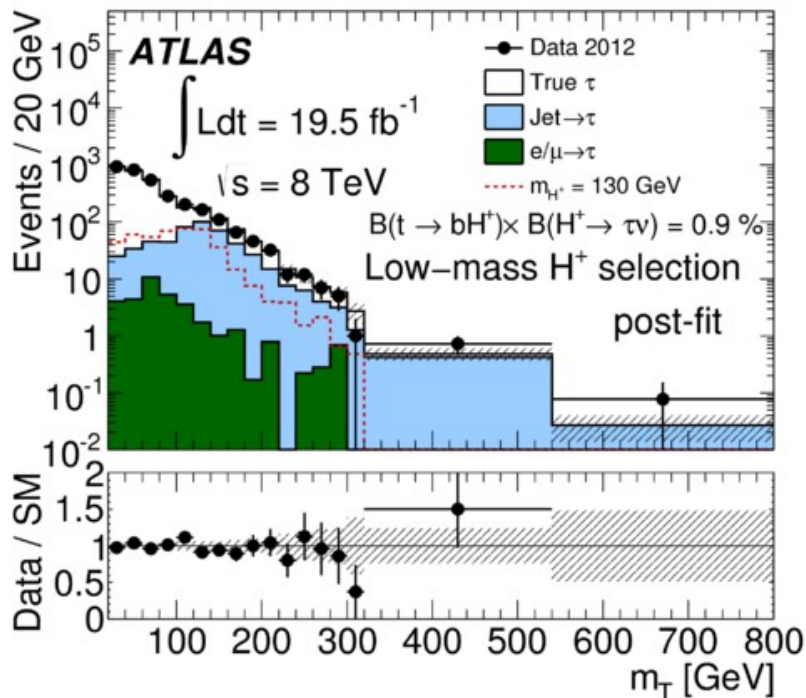
**BR(Top  $\rightarrow$  bH<sup>+</sup>) vs tan $\beta$**



# $H^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$

- Final state: one tau(had) from  $H^+$ , MET (from  $\nu$ ), jets from the full hadronic top decay
- Trigger: tau(had)+MET; Separate analysis for low and high mass

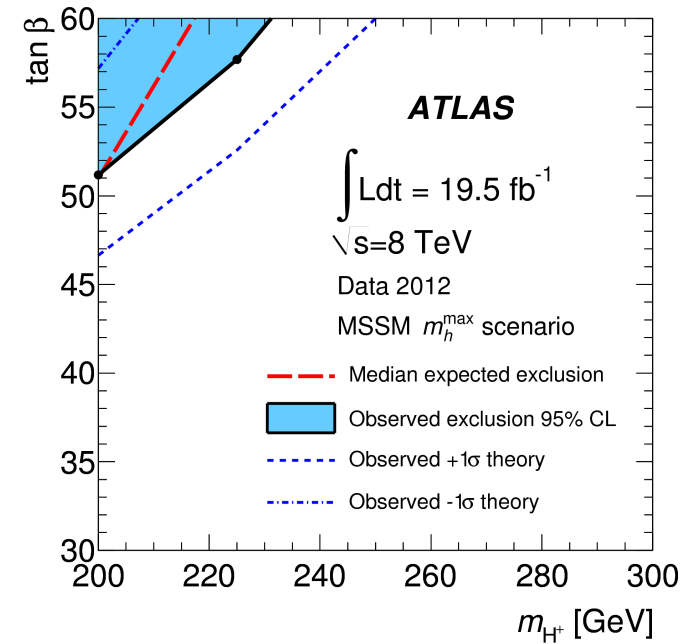
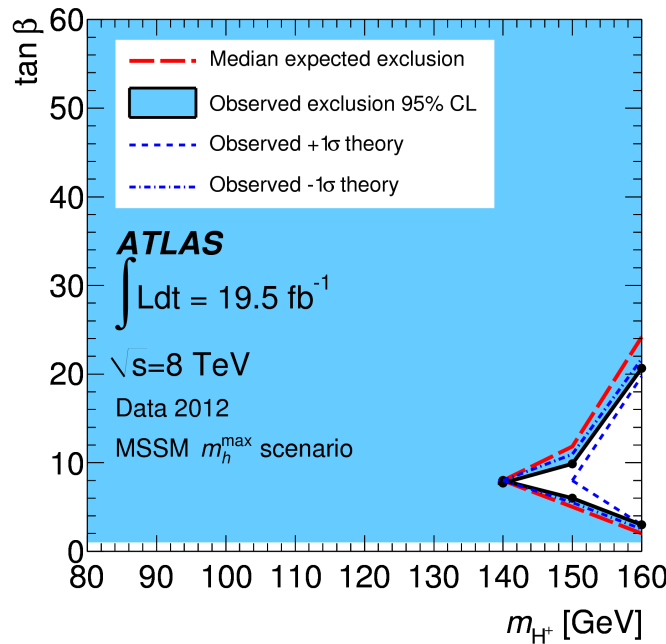
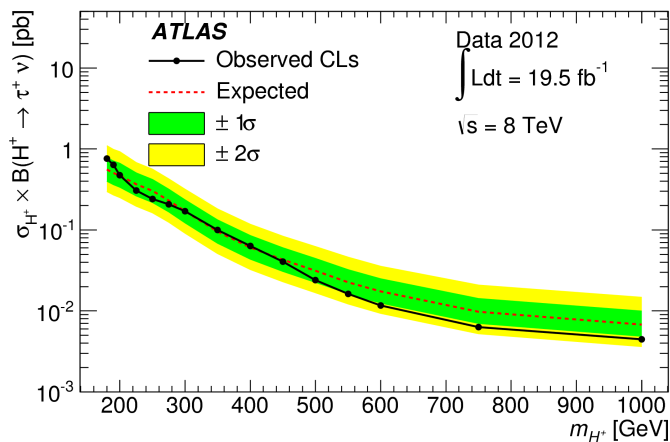
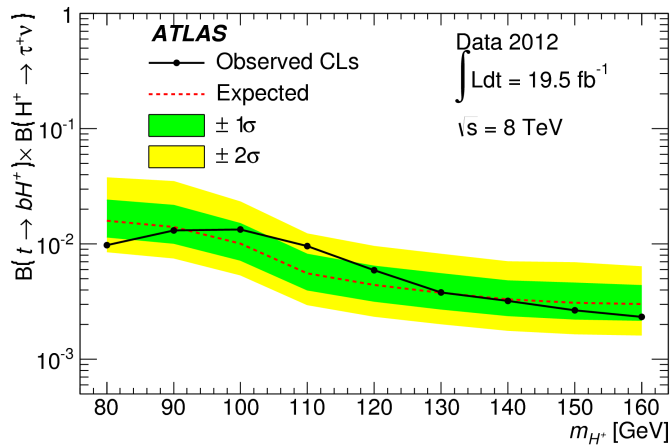
$$m_T = \sqrt{2p_T(\tau) E_T^{miss} (1 - \cos \Delta\phi(E_T^{miss}, \tau))}$$



# $H^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$

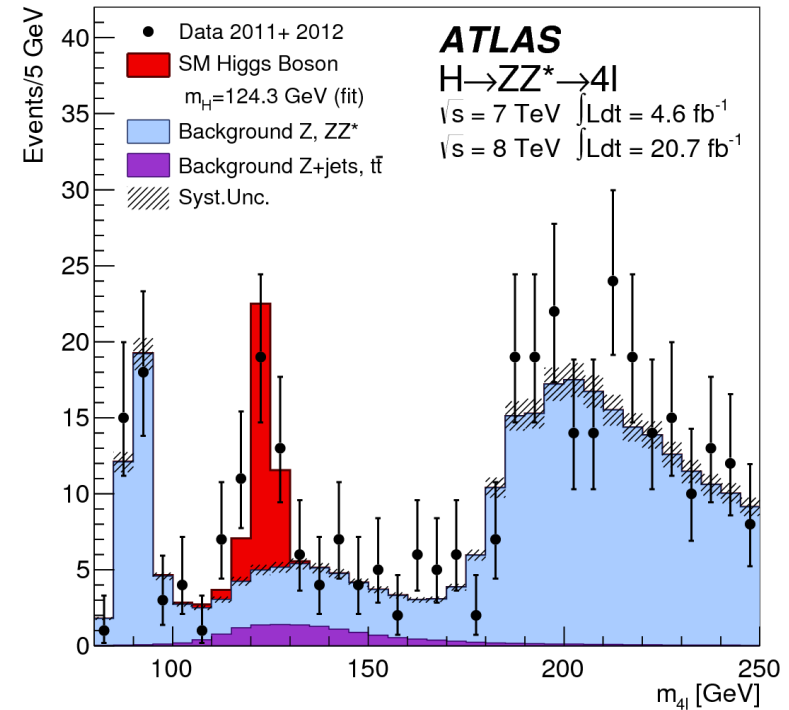
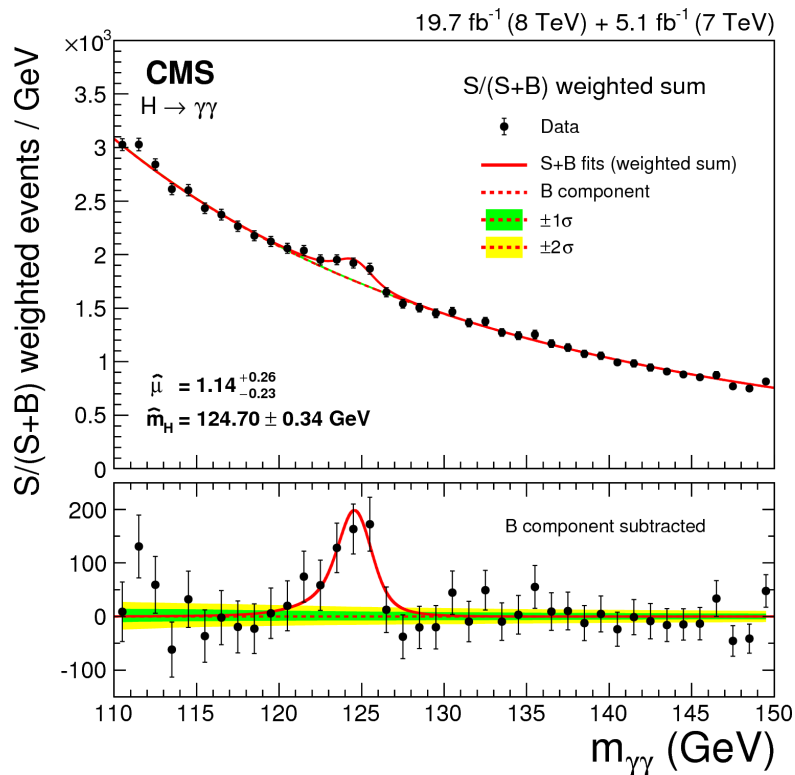
- $BR(t \rightarrow bH^+) \times BR(H^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu)$  and cross section limits

translated to MSSM parameter space limits



# The discovery of a Higgs boson at the LHC

- The LHC has already discovered a Higgs boson!



# Which MSSM Higgs is the “h125”?

- The MSSM is fully compatible with a SM-like Higgs at 125 GeV
  - This can be identified with one of the MSSM Higgs bosons

Which Higgs boson is the one at 125 GeV?

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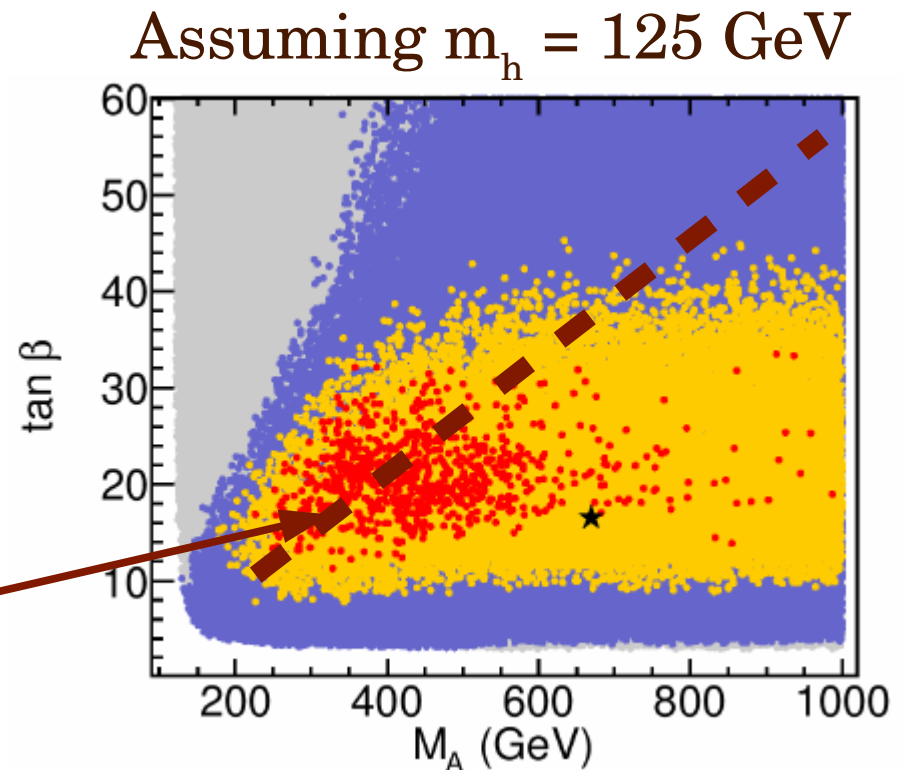
“pMSSM-7” assuming stops up to 1.5 TeV among few other assumptions; fits Higgs measurements, flavour observables etc

→ yellow points ~ 95% CL

→ red points ~68% CL

→ grey points: excluded at the time of the study by direct MSSM Higgs searches

LHC Run-I h/A/H → ττ search limit

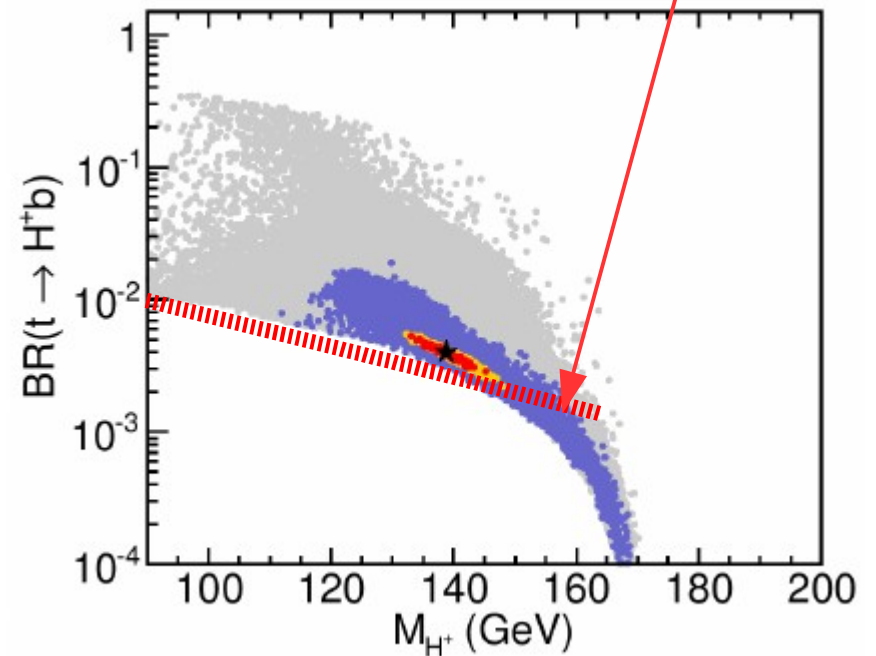
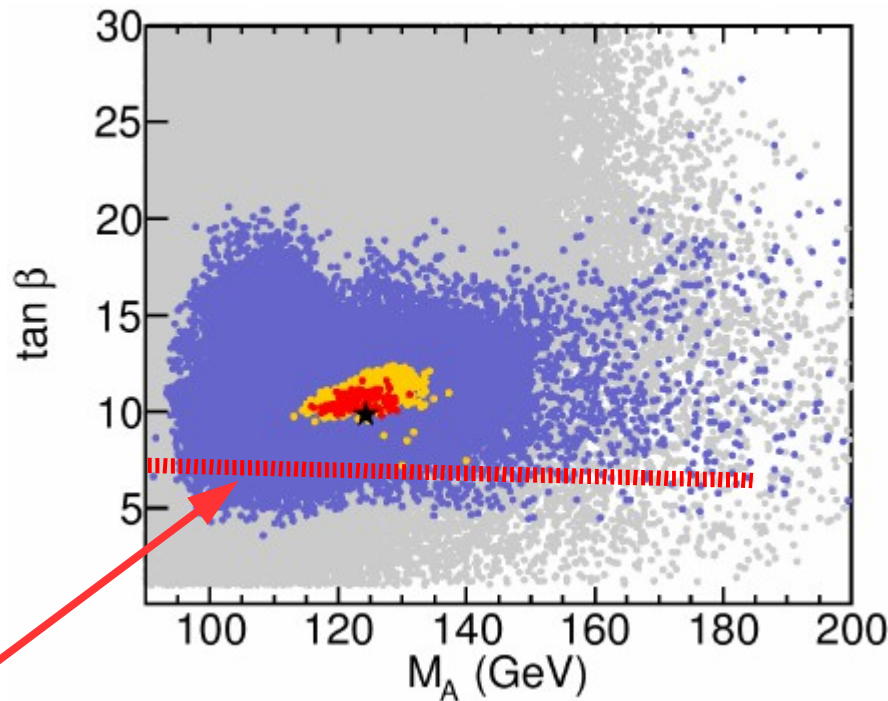


# Which MSSM Higgs is the “h125”?

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Assuming  $m_H = 125$  GeV

LHC Run-I  $H^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$  search limit



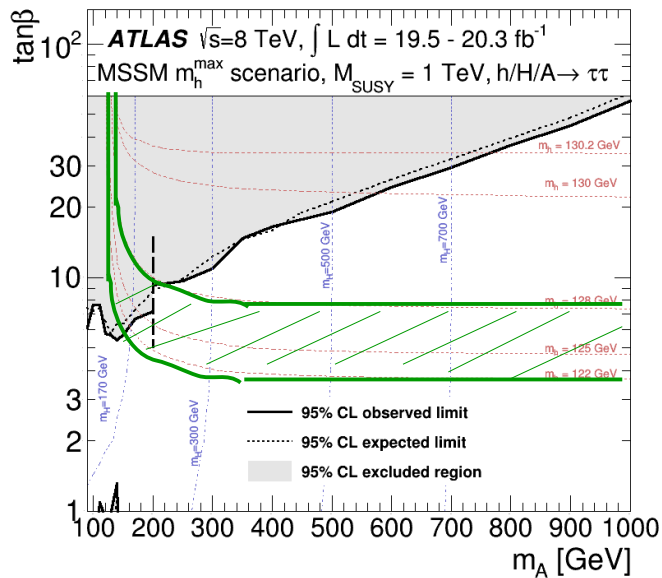
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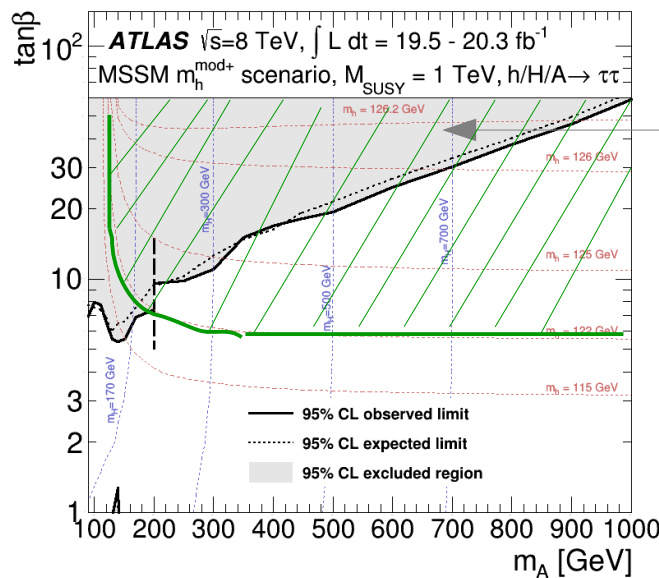
# MSSM scenarios after the discovery

Update of MSSM scenarios in order to include a light CP-even Higgs with mass  $\sim 125$  GeV

“mh-max” scenario



“mh-mod+” scenario

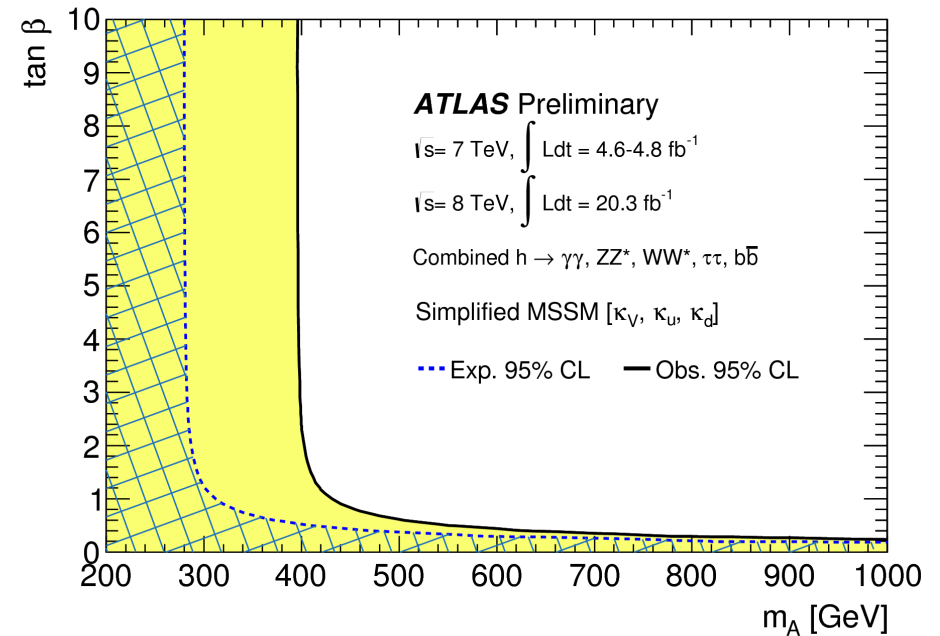
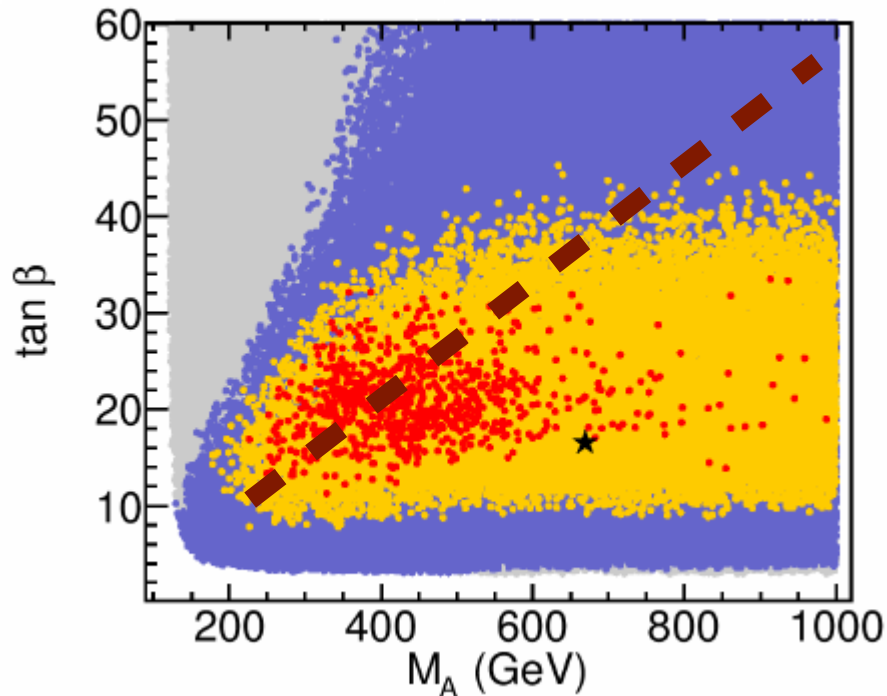


LHC 8 TeV Run exclusion

Region compatible with a 125 GeV light CP-even Higgs

# The effect of the Higgs measurement

- 125 GeV is ok, but what about the h125 properties?
  - The decoupling regime is ok with h125 measurements
  - Low  $\tan\beta$  needs very high mass Susy scale to accommodate the mass and even in that case doesn't survive the Higgs measurements



Plot to be handled with care

# Beyond the MSSM Higgs sector structure

- Going beyond the MSSM
  - LHC Run-I showed two major outcomes:
    - 125-GeV Higgs boson and no evidence for supersymmetry
- The discovery it opens the way to
  - Define searches without the MSSM pheno prejudice
  - Use the mass of the Higgs and its SM-like properties to choose among possible models

I will only mention here very few simple cases related to modifying the Higgs sector structure:

→ **Two-Higgs-Doublet models (2HDMs)**

→ **next-to-MSSM (NMSSM)**

→ **Higher order representations**

## 2HDM: Two-Higgs-Doublet model

- The 2-Higgs-Doublet-Model (2HDM) is conceptually one of the most straightforward extensions of the SM
  - Add another SU(2) doublet in the model and you get after EWK symmetry breaking 5 Higgs bosons:  $h_1, h_2, h_3, H^+, H^-$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(\Phi_1, \Phi_2) = & m_{11}^2 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1 + m_{22}^2 \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2 - (m_{12}^2 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 + \text{h.c.}) + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_1 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_2 (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + \lambda_3 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2) \\
 & + \lambda_4 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1) + \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \lambda_5 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + [\lambda_6 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1) + \lambda_7 (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2)] (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2) + \text{h.c.} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

→ Opens the phasespace for more decays

→ Decouples the mass of the neutral and charged Higgses

→ More options for CP-violation

→ ...

But it doesn't address naturalness: most probably it will come with company

# 2HDM basics (I)

- CP-conserving 2HDM with a (softly broken)  $Z_2$  symmetry ( $\Phi_1 \rightarrow -\Phi_1$ ) leaves us with 7 free parameters: masses ( $m_h, m_H, m_A, m_{H^\pm}$ ) angles ( $\tan \beta, \cos(\beta-\alpha)$ ) and a potential parameter  $m_{12}$  and 4 ways to arrange the yukawa couplings to fermions:

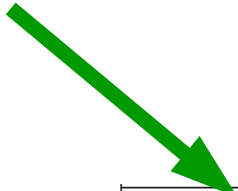
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In this notation:

$$t_\beta = \tan\beta;$$

$$c_{\beta-\alpha} = \cos(\beta-\alpha)$$

$$s_{\beta-\alpha} = \sin(\beta-\alpha)$$



<i>hVV</i>	$s_{\beta-\alpha}$	$s_{\beta-\alpha}$	$s_{\beta-\alpha}$	$s_{\beta-\alpha}$
<i>hQu</i>	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$
<i>hQd</i>	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} - t_\beta c_{\beta-\alpha}$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} - t_\beta c_{\beta-\alpha}$
<i>hLe</i>	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} - t_\beta c_{\beta-\alpha}$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} - t_\beta c_{\beta-\alpha}$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$
<i>HVV</i>	$c_{\beta-\alpha}$	$c_{\beta-\alpha}$	$c_{\beta-\alpha}$	$c_{\beta-\alpha}$
<i>HQu</i>	$c_{\beta-\alpha} - s_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$c_{\beta-\alpha} - s_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$c_{\beta-\alpha} - s_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$c_{\beta-\alpha} - s_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$
<i>HQd</i>	$c_{\beta-\alpha} - s_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$c_{\beta-\alpha} + t_\beta s_{\beta-\alpha}$	$c_{\beta-\alpha} - s_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$c_{\beta-\alpha} + t_\beta s_{\beta-\alpha}$
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<i>AVV</i>	0	0	0	0
<i>AQu</i>	$1/t_\beta$	$1/t_\beta$	$1/t_\beta$	$1/t_\beta$
<i>AQd</i>	$-1/t_\beta$	$t_\beta$	$-1/t_\beta$	$t_\beta$
<i>ALe</i>	$-1/t_\beta$	$t_\beta$	$t_\beta$	$-1/t_\beta$

# 2HDM basics (II)

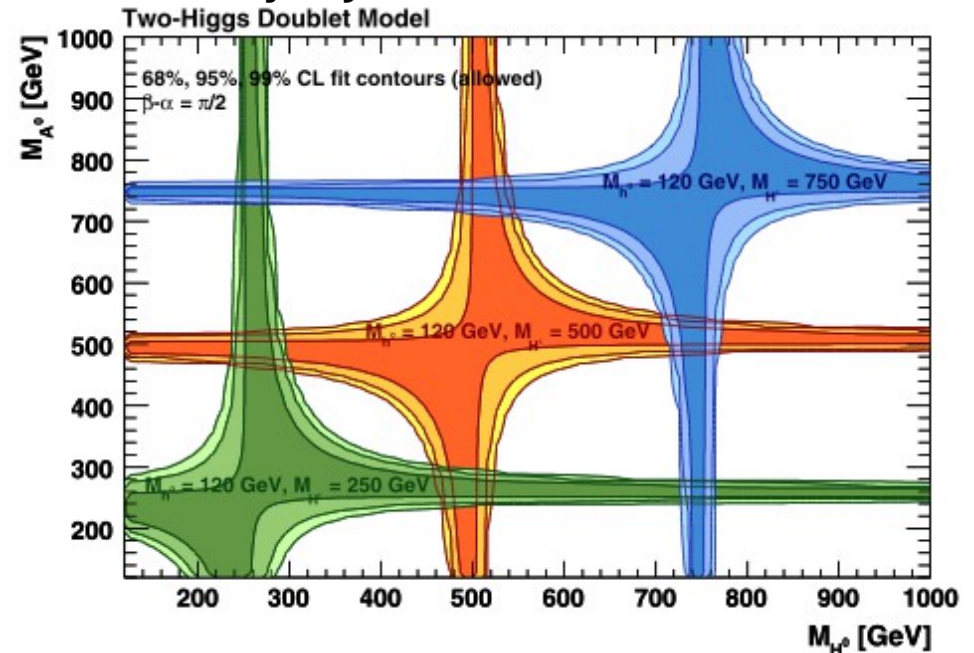
- Interesting limits:
  - Weak decoupling limit:  $\sin(\beta-\alpha) \rightarrow 1$ , i.e., there is a Higgs boson that can be as SM as you like but also there are light H/A/H<sup>+</sup> bosons
  - (strong) Decoupling limit:  $\sin(\beta-\alpha)=1$  and two mass scales i.e. all additional particles heavy. For a more formal definition see PhysRevD 67, 075019

- Constraints from EWK precision measurements

$$\rho = (m_W / (m_Z \cos \theta_W))^2 \simeq 1$$

2HDM has  $\rho = 1$  at tree level, but radiative corrections affect this number a lot!

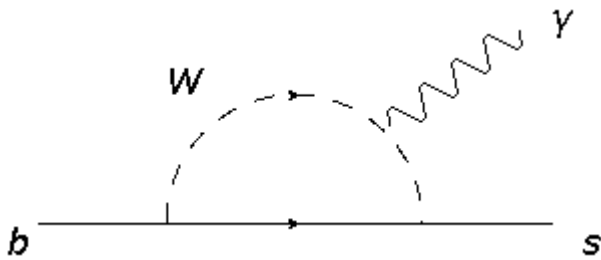
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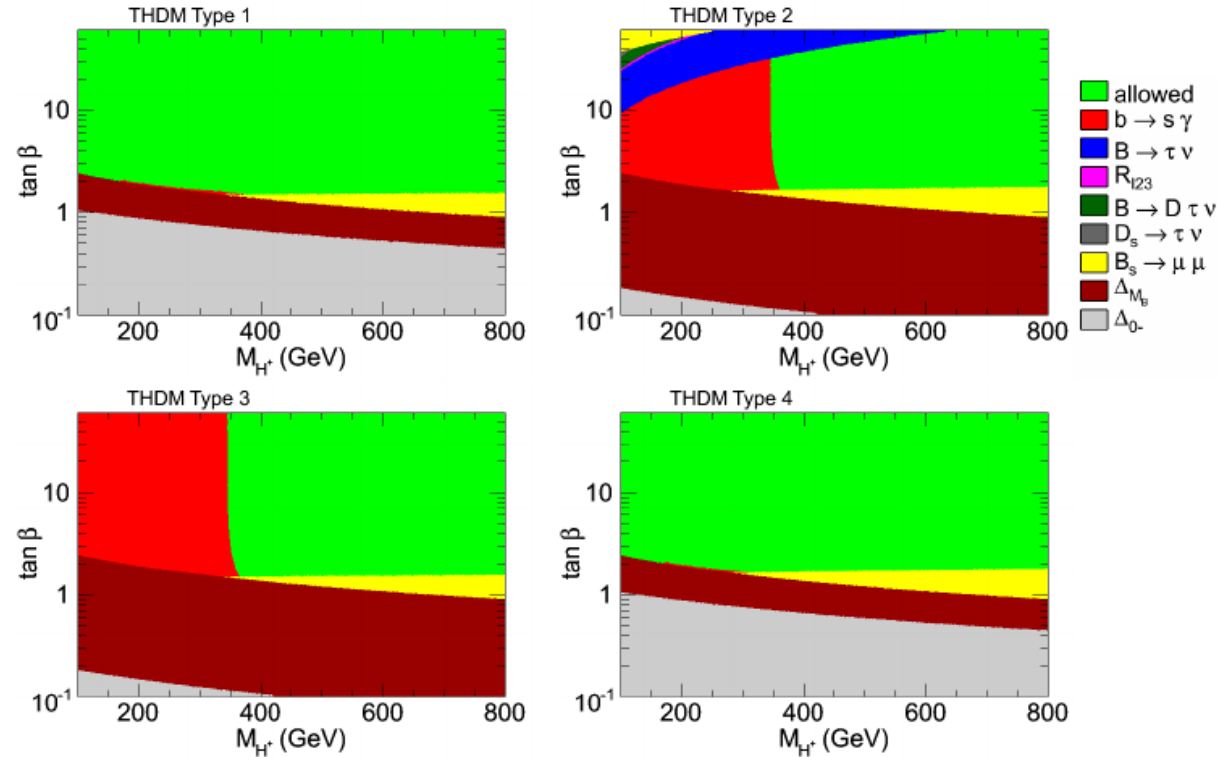
# 2HDM basics (III)

- Flavour physics constraints to 2HDM

Flavor constrains heavily type-II, but low masses, even below 100 GeV are allowed for type-I



	Type I	Type II
X	$\cot \beta$	$\cot \beta$
Y	$\cot \beta$	$-\tan \beta$
Z	$\cot \beta$	$-\tan \beta$

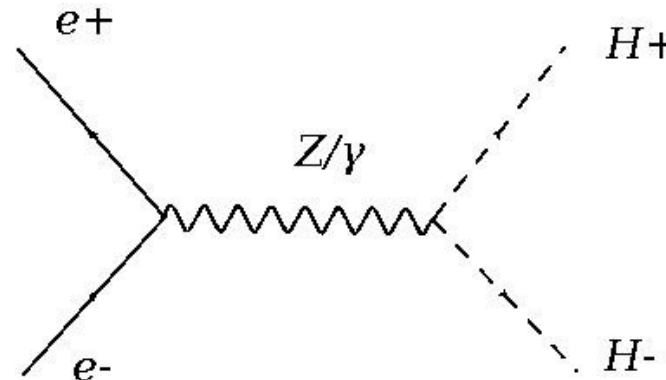


$$\mathcal{L}_{H^\pm} = -H^+ \left( \frac{\sqrt{2} V_{ud}}{v} \bar{u} (m_u X P_L + m_d Y P_R) d + \frac{\sqrt{2} m_\ell}{v} Z \bar{\nu}_L \ell_R \right) + \text{H.c.}$$

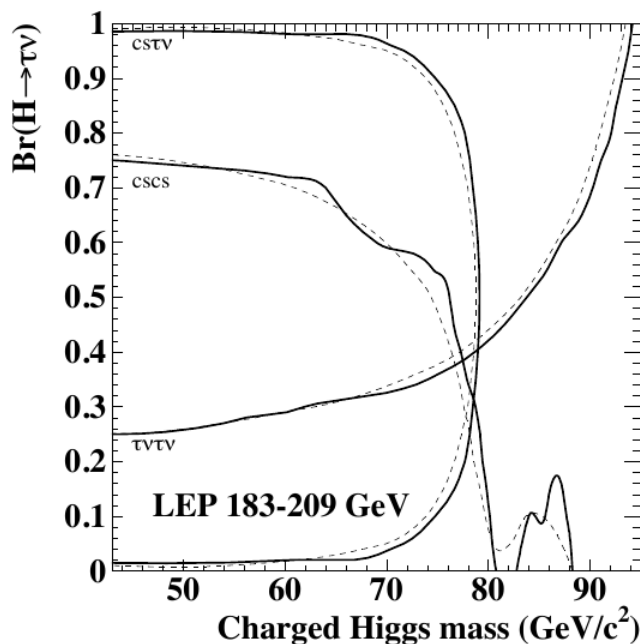
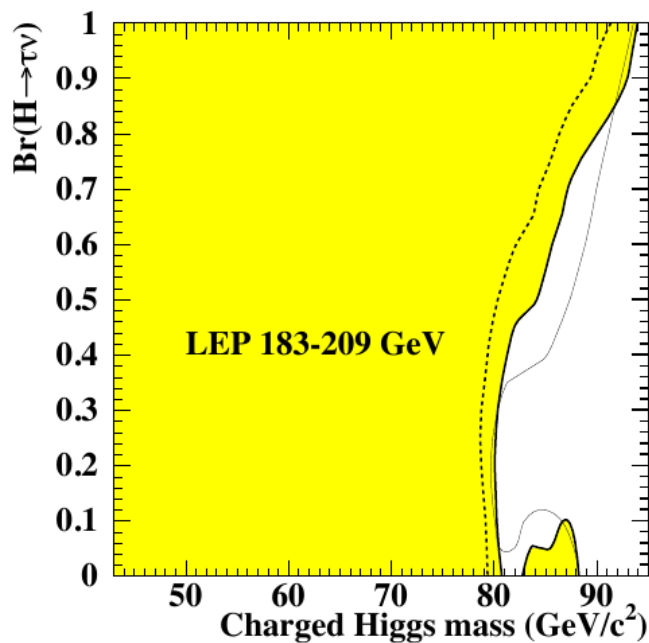
N. Mahmoudi & O. Stall, SuperIso v.3.4

# Charged Higgs at LEP

- Charged Higgs at LEP: simple production, limited decay channels = perfect 2HDM case!



2HDM Type-II has just  $H^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$  and  $H^+ \rightarrow cs$



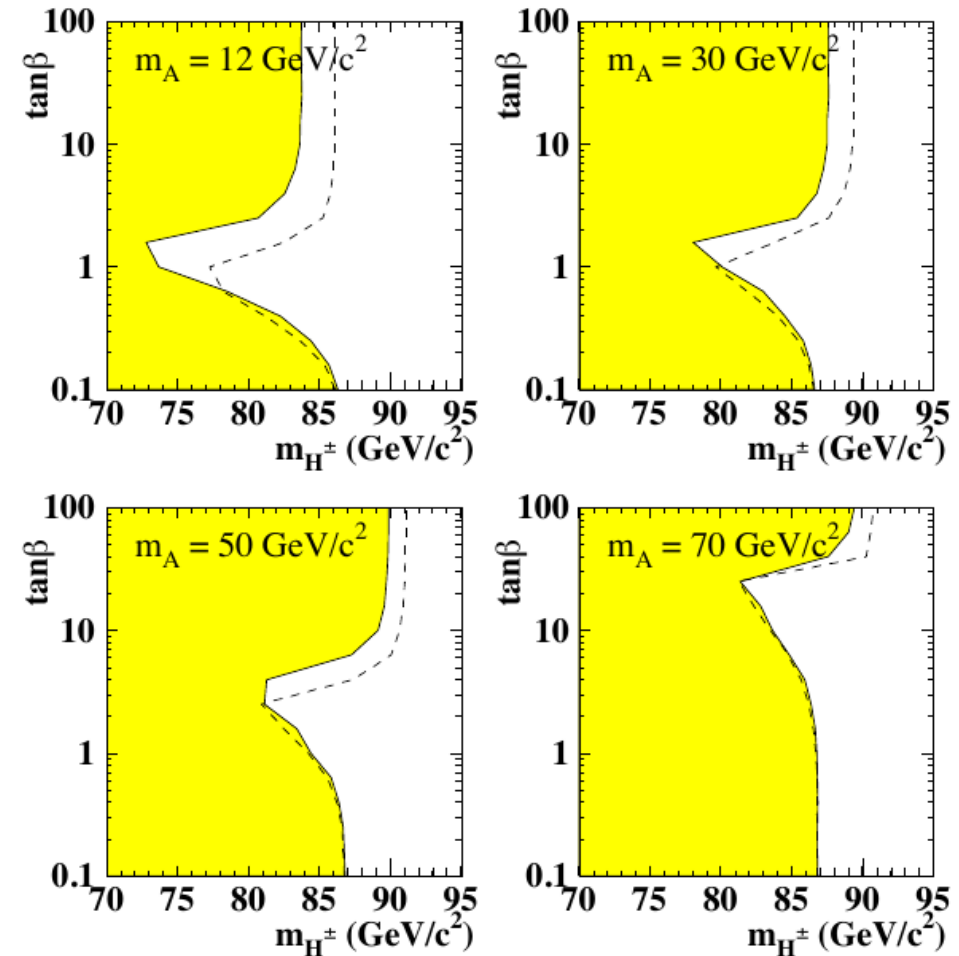
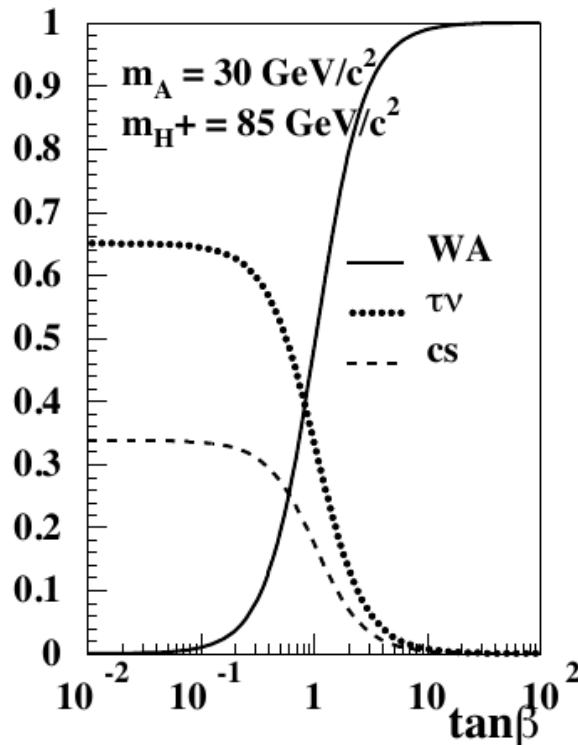
LEP excludes a type-II 2HDM Charged Higgs with mass < 80 GeV



# Charged Higgs at LEP

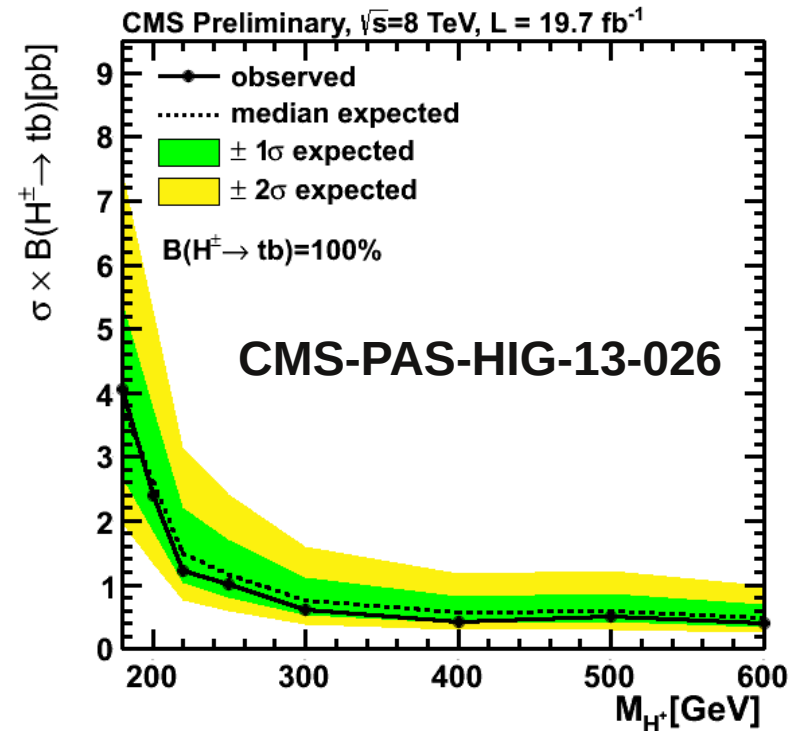
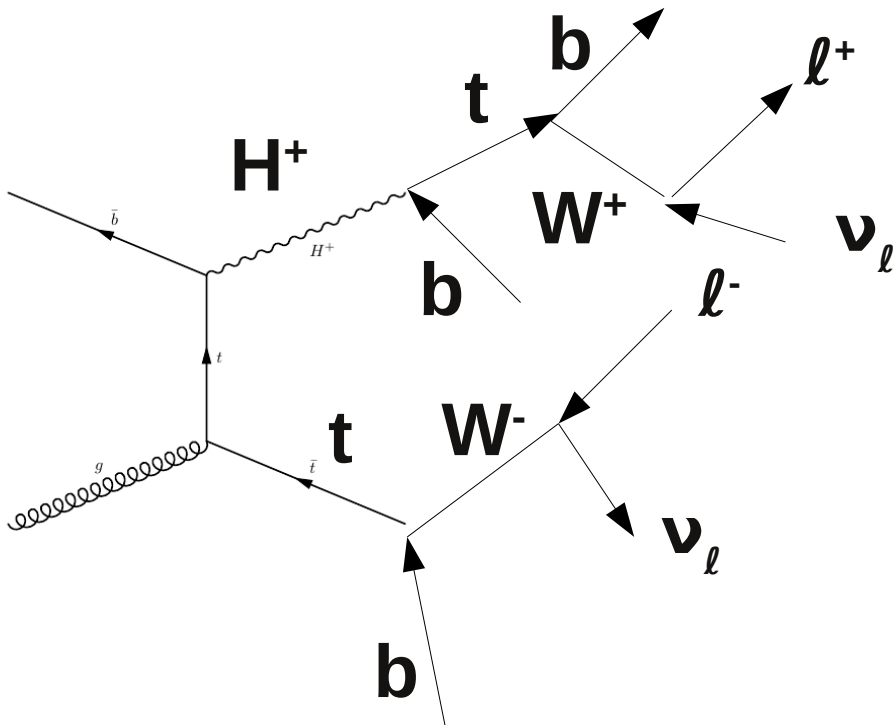
2HDM Type-I is more complicated: it has one more decay:

$H^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$ ,  $H^+ \rightarrow cs$  and  $H^+ \rightarrow W^+A$



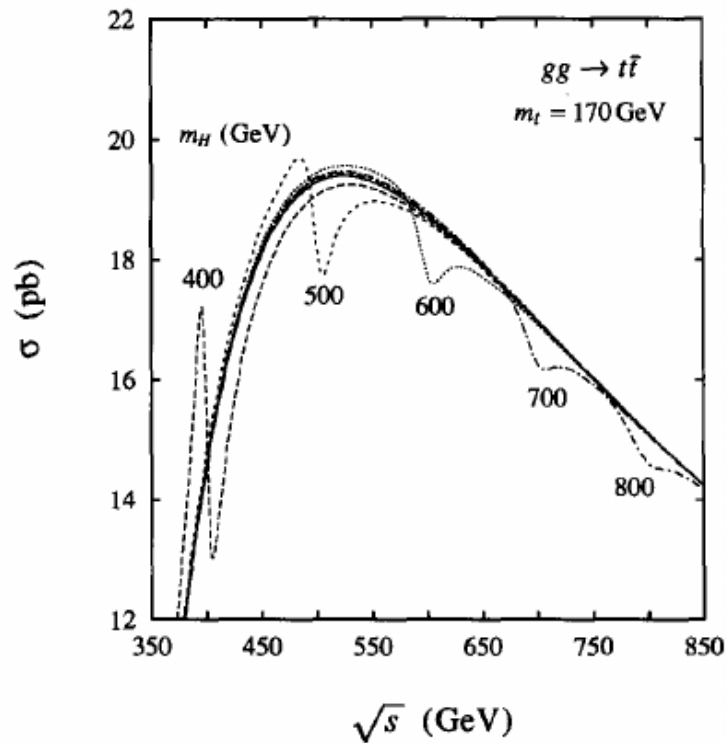
# $H^+ \rightarrow tb$

- This is the most typical decay mode of a high mass Charged Higgs
- The LHC has just started exploring that!



# A/H $\rightarrow$ tt

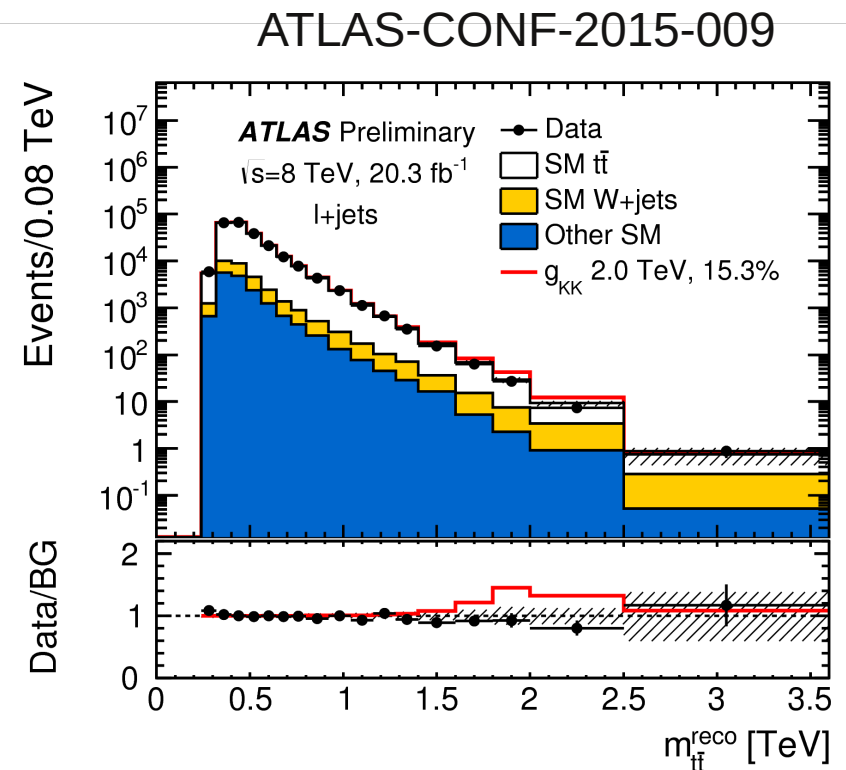
- This is typically one of the most dominant decay modes of a heavy neutral Higgs ( $m > 2 m_{\text{top}}$ )



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Nikolaos Rompotis

Highly motivated, but very difficult due to interference

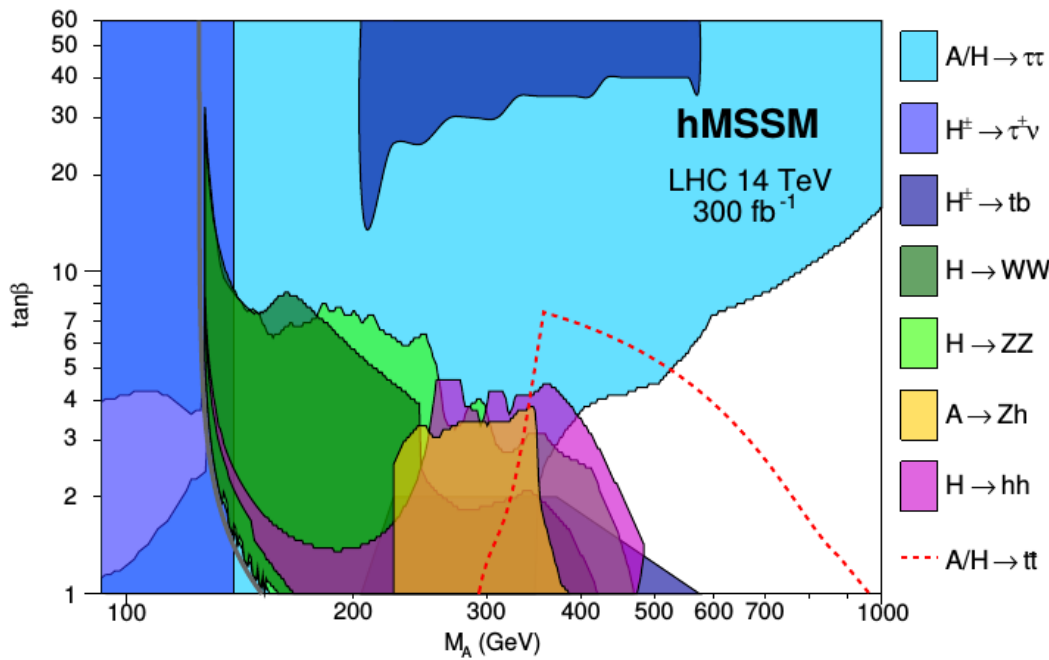


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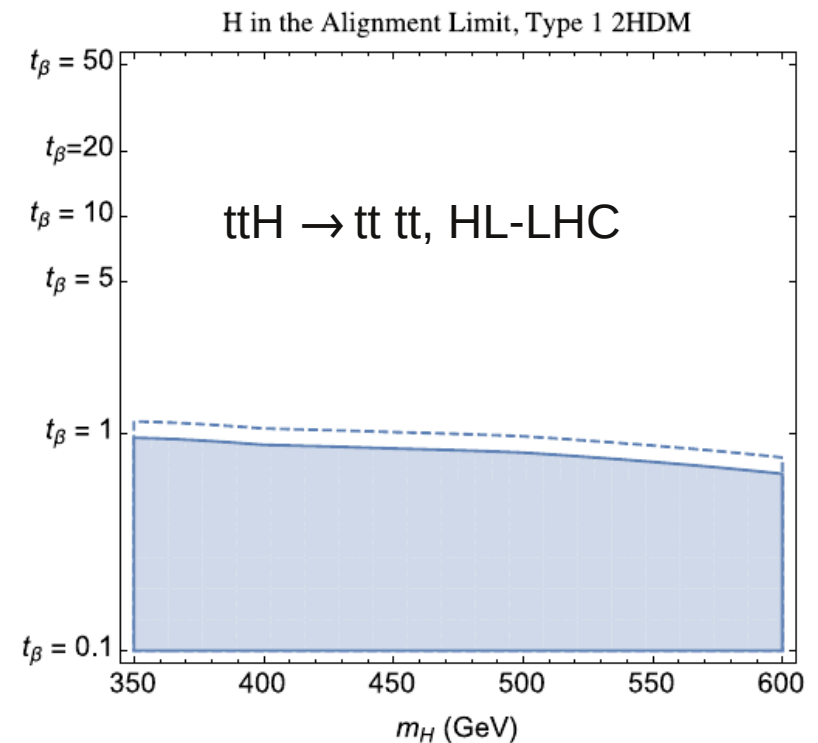
# A/H → tt

- Recently there has been a lot of interest from the pheno community on whether there is any sensitivity to H/A → tt

Djuadi et al arXiv:1502.05653



Craig et al arXiv:1504.04630

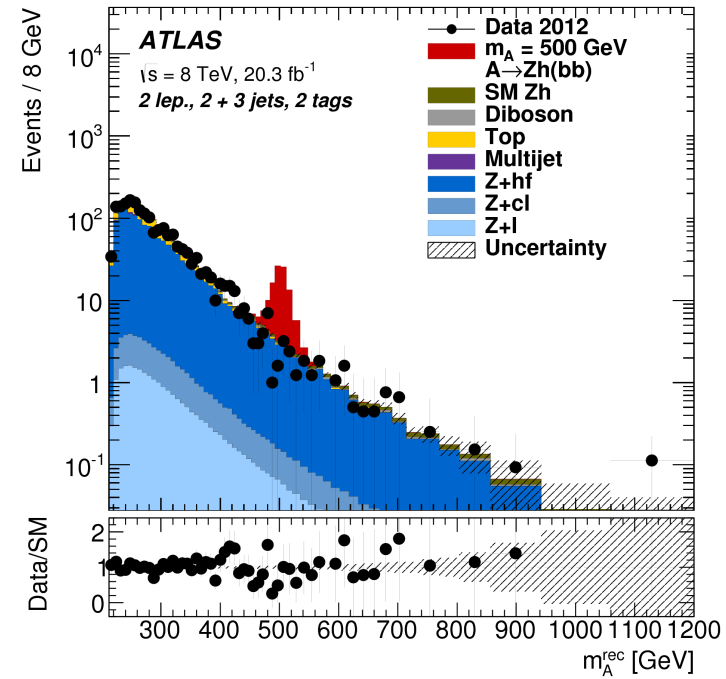
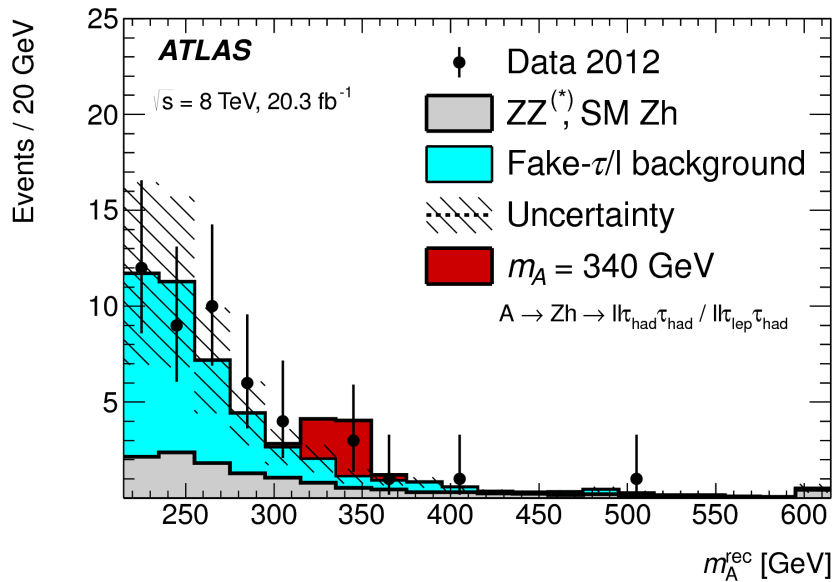


## Heavy Higgs search: (heavy) Higgs to (light) Higgs

- Very interesting signatures that are very important in generic 2HDMs:
  - $H \rightarrow hh, A \rightarrow Zh, H^+ \rightarrow Wh$
  - $A \rightarrow ZH, H^+ \rightarrow WH$
  - Conspiracy victims: The very nicely defined  $H \rightarrow hh, A \rightarrow Zh, H^+ \rightarrow Wh$  suffer from vanishing couplings in the weak decoupling limit;  $A \rightarrow ZH, H^+ \rightarrow WH$  have maximal couplings there, but they may be constrained kinematically
  - The LHC has just started exploring these final states

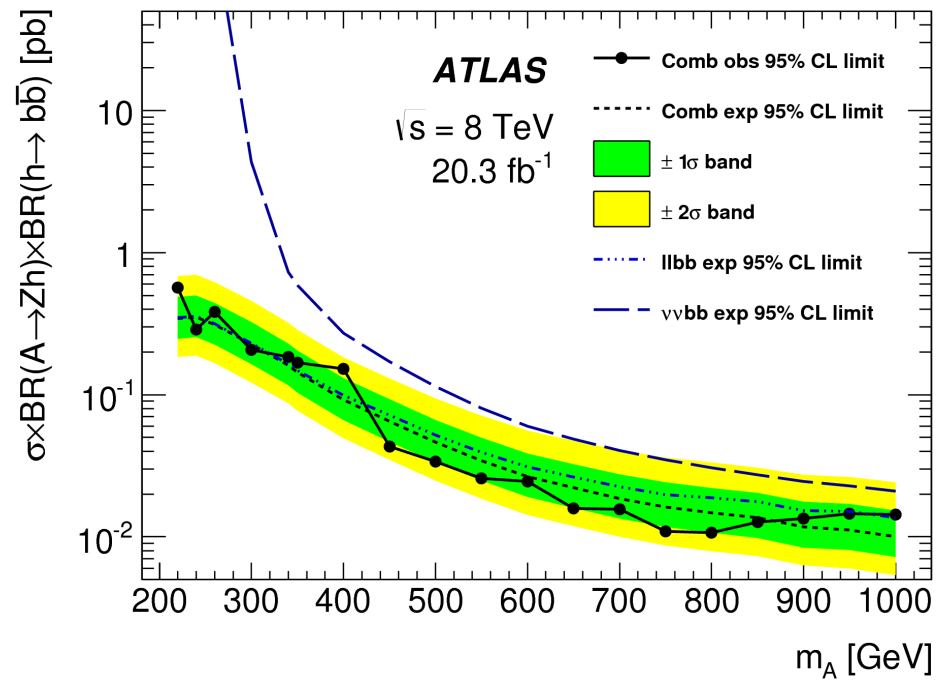
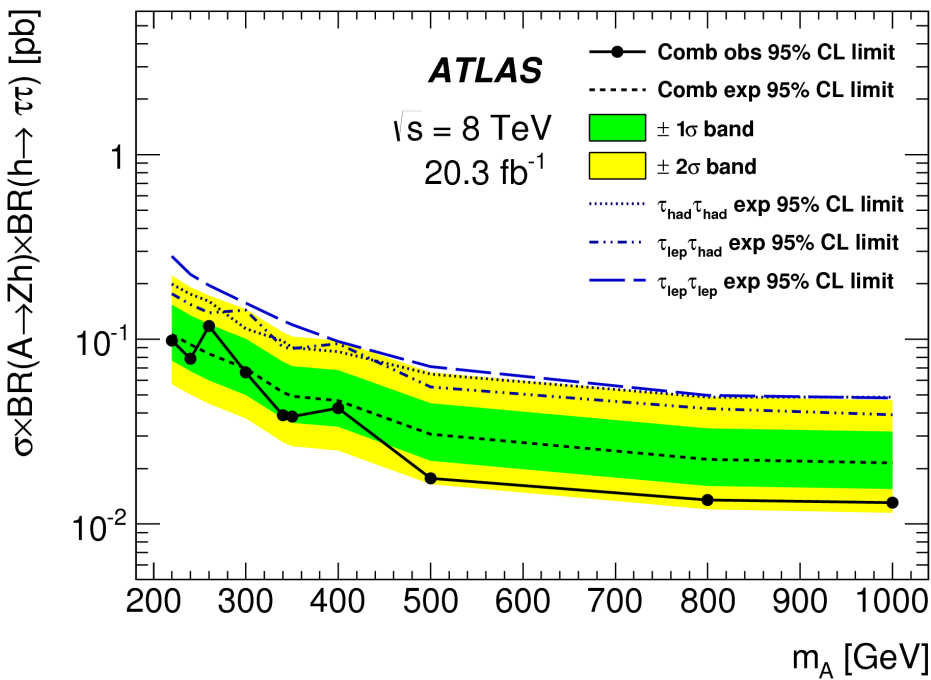
# A → Zh

- Very interesting channel, mostly in  $m_A \sim 220 - 350$  GeV
- ATLAS search looked for Zh → llττ, llbb and ννbb final states



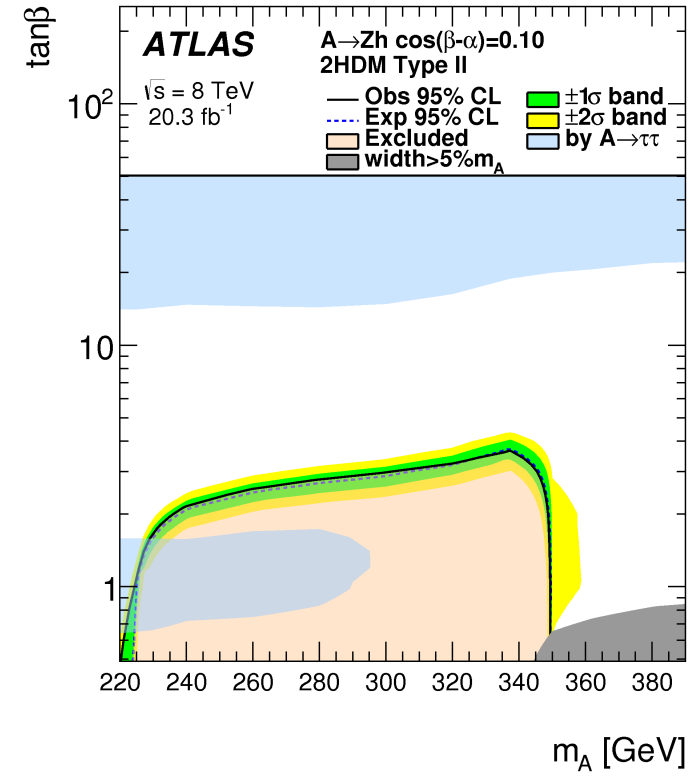
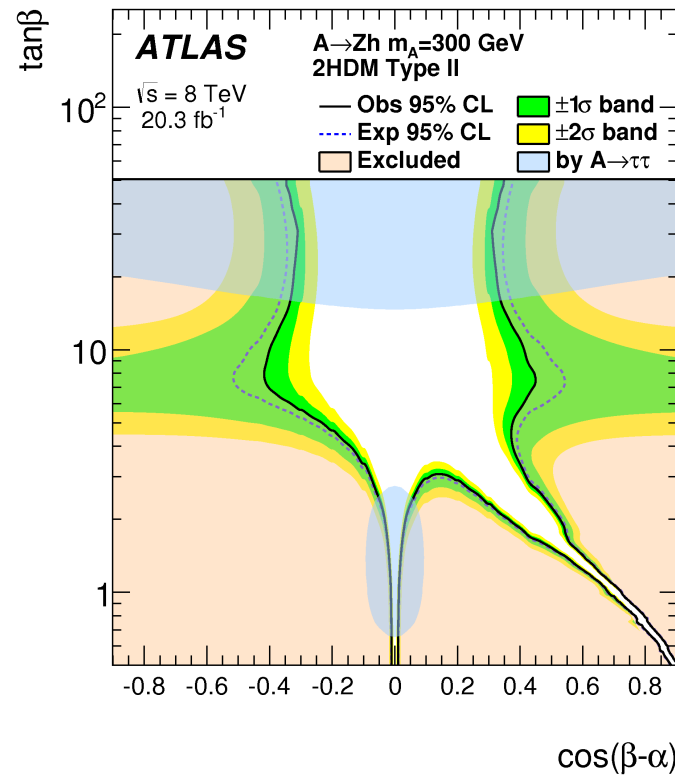
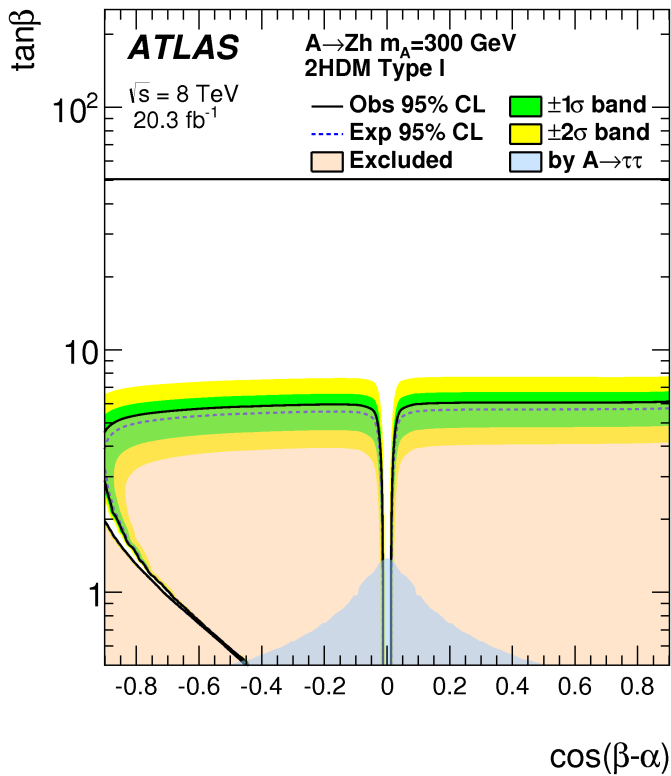
# A → Zh

Cross section limits for heavy, narrow width, CP-odd Higgs produced via gluon fusion



# A → Zh

Examples of the interpretation of the search in the CP-conserving 2HDM (also on the plots the constraint from A → ττ)



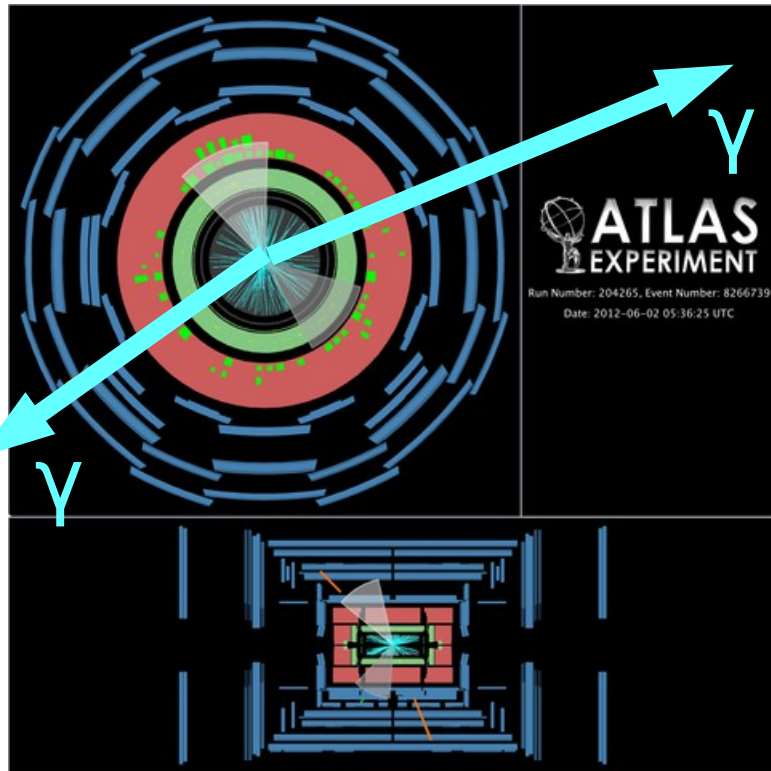


# Di-Higgs production: $hh \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$

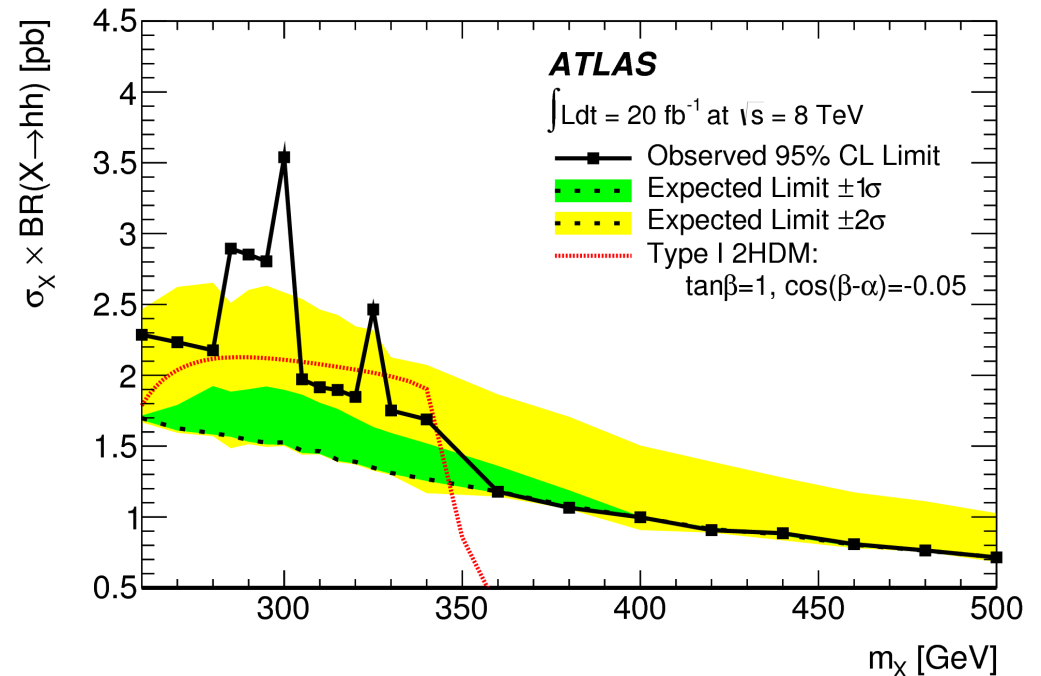
Obtained limit for anomalous non-resonant hh production:

$$\sigma < 2.2 \text{ pb (Exp: 1.0 pb)}$$

→ Compare SM hh production  $\sim 10\text{fb}$

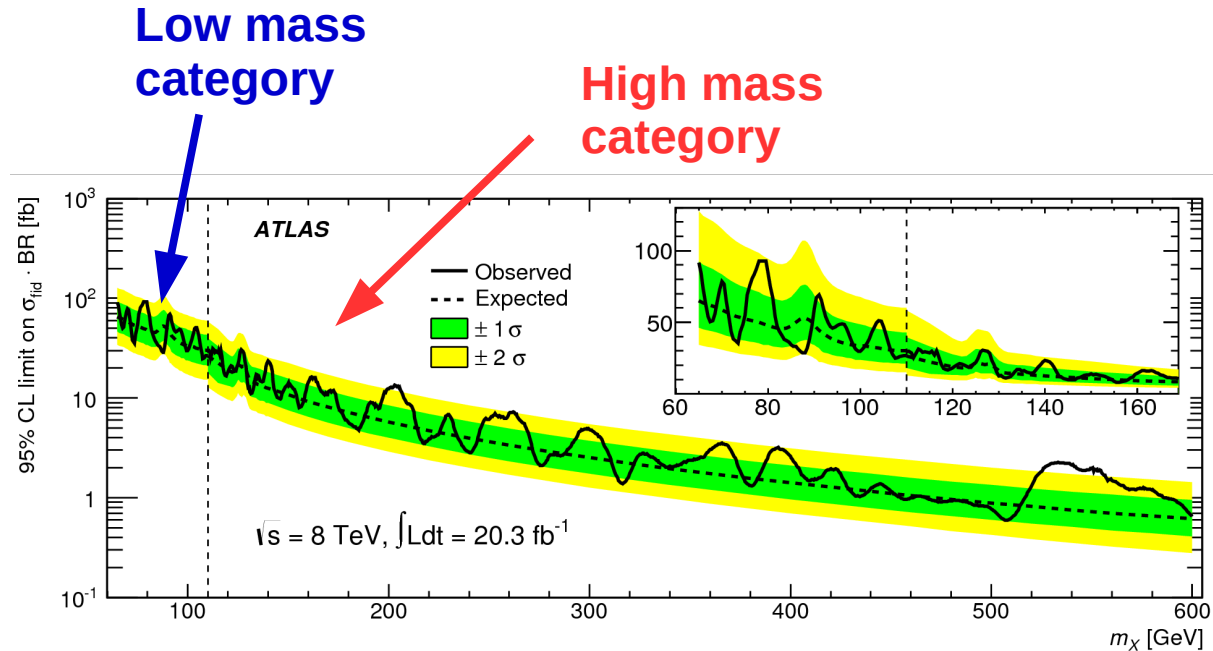
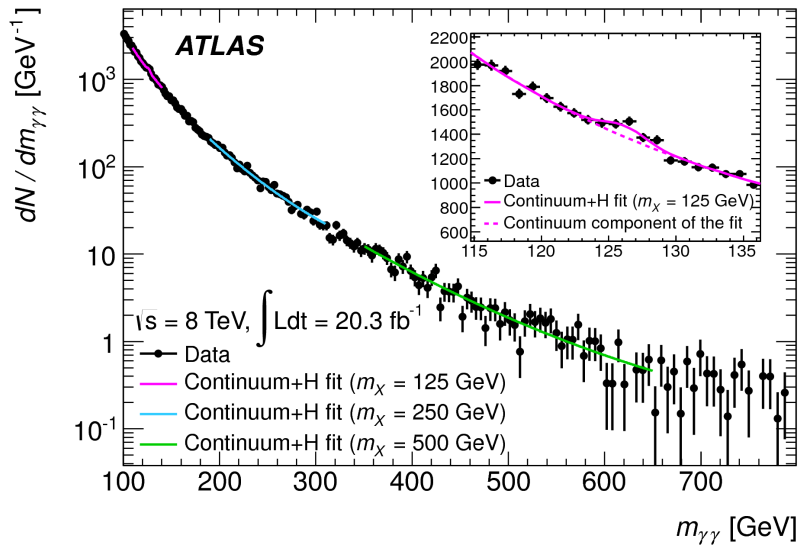


Limit for resonant hh production (assuming narrow width)



# Scalar resonances to di-photon pairs

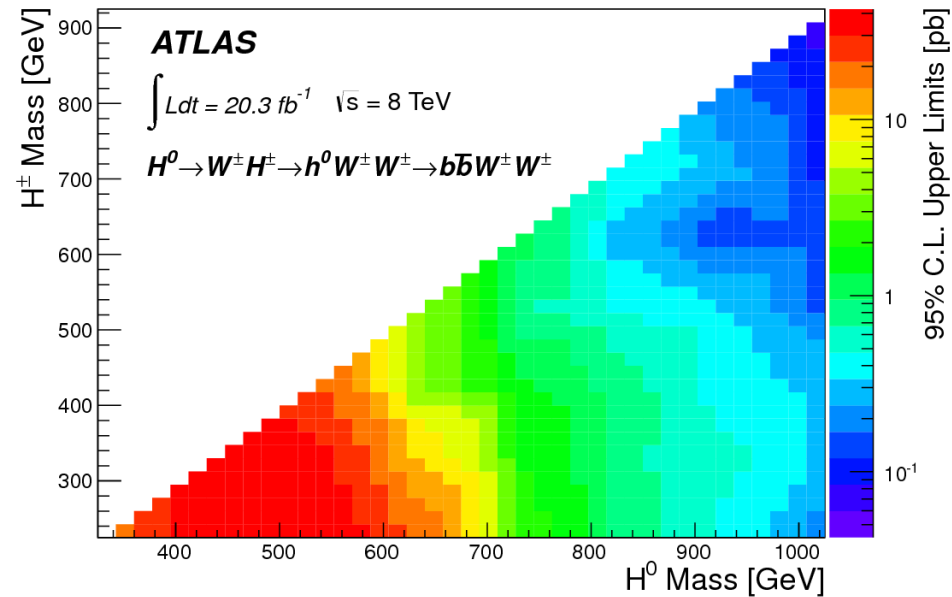
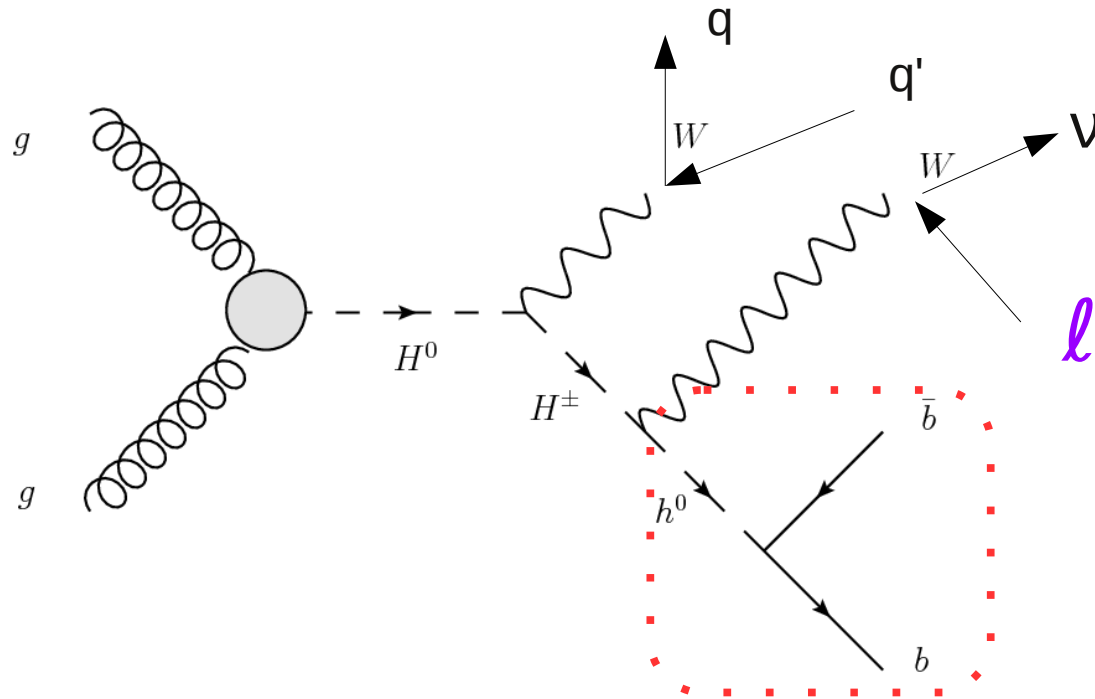
- ATLAS has looked for  $A/H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  at a mass range from 65–600 GeV extending the techniques mastered in the SM Higgs  $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  search



Limit on the fiducial cross section as a function of the assumed resonance mass

# Higgs cascades: $H^0/A \rightarrow H^\pm W^- \rightarrow W^+ W^- h$

- An interesting possibility when more than one Higgs bosons appear in the model includes decays of Heavy Higgses into lighter ones

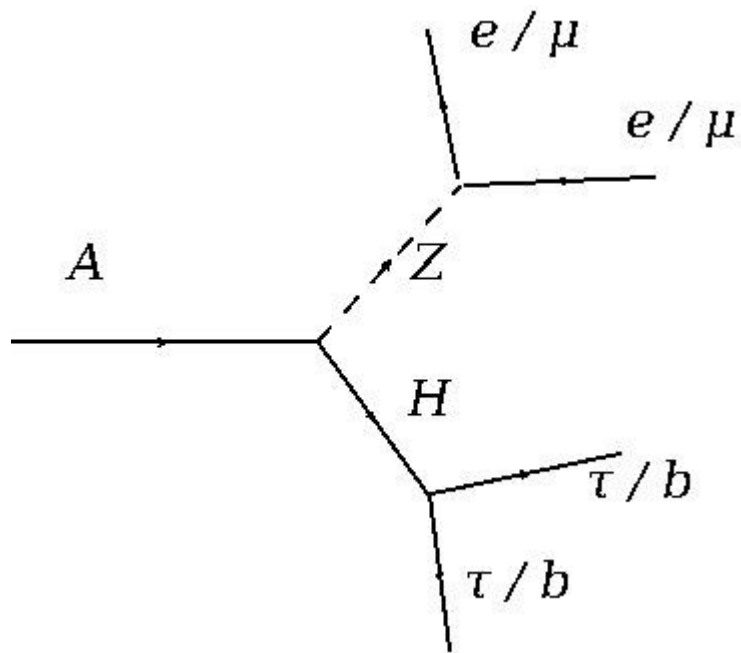


**125-GeV SM-like Higgs decaying to  $b\bar{b}$**

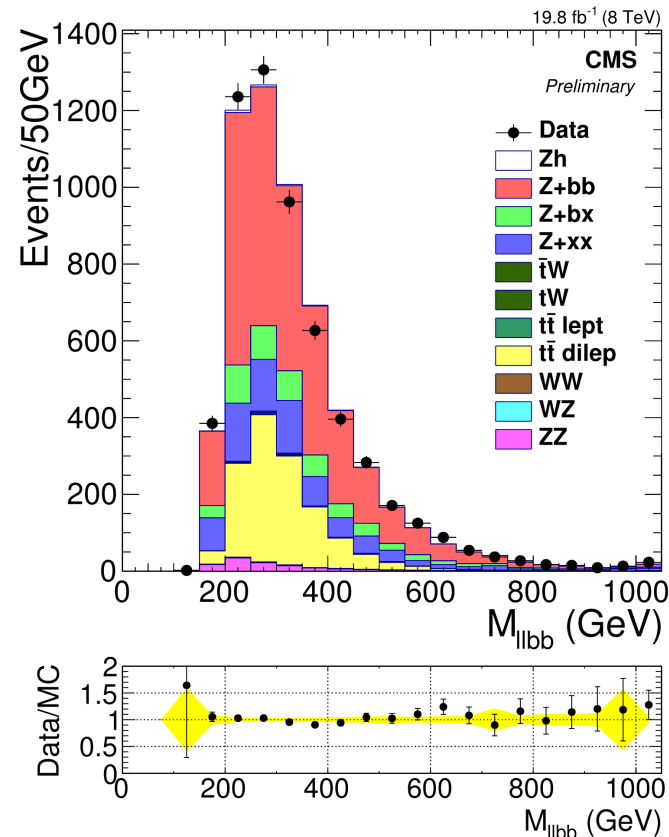
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# Heavy Higgs to Heavy Higgs

- CMS was bold enough to proceed to analysis that doesn't vanish in the 2HDM weak decoupling limit



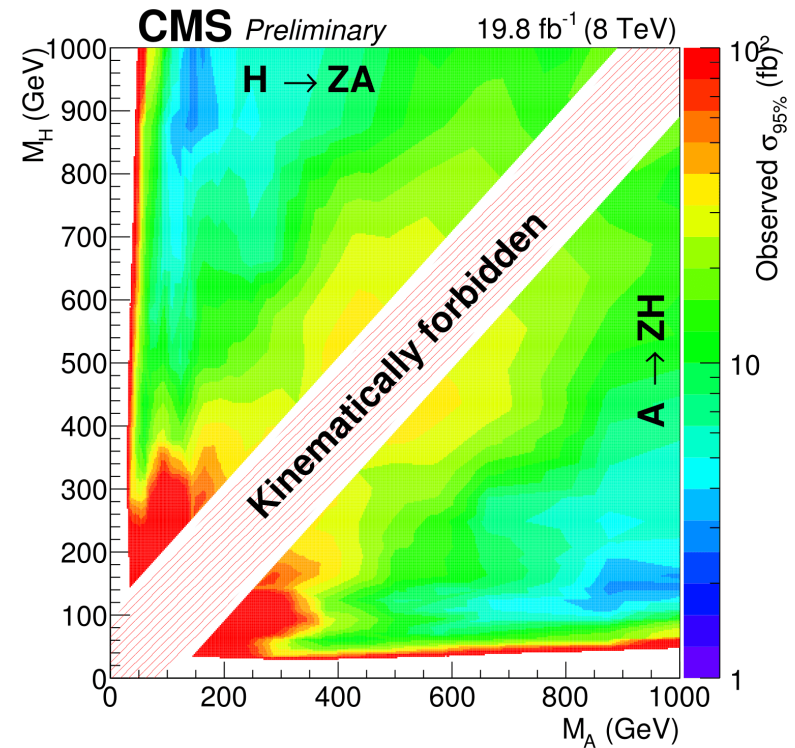
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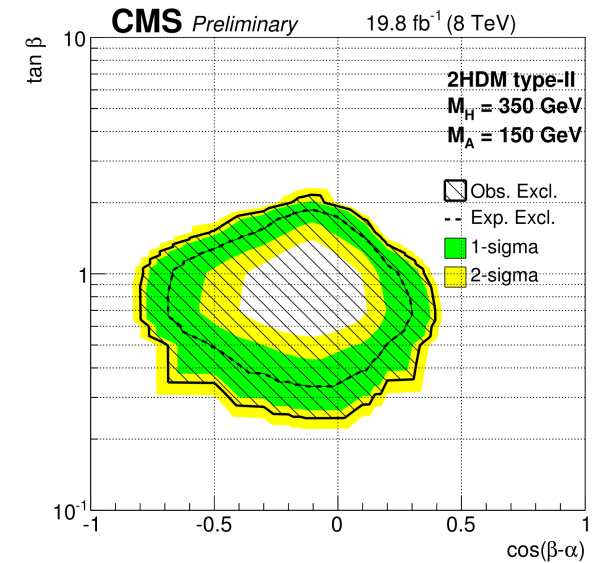
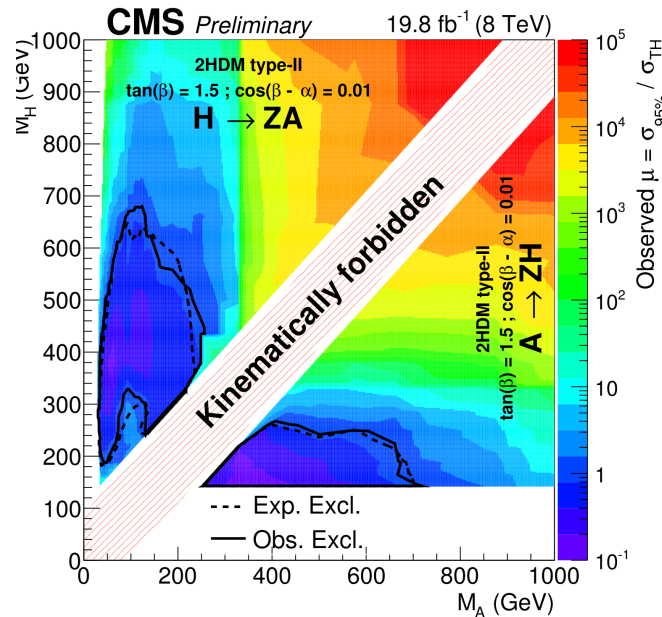
# Heavy Higgs to Heavy Higgs

- Interpretation is more complicated than the previous searches

Cross section limit in the  $m_A - m_H$  plane

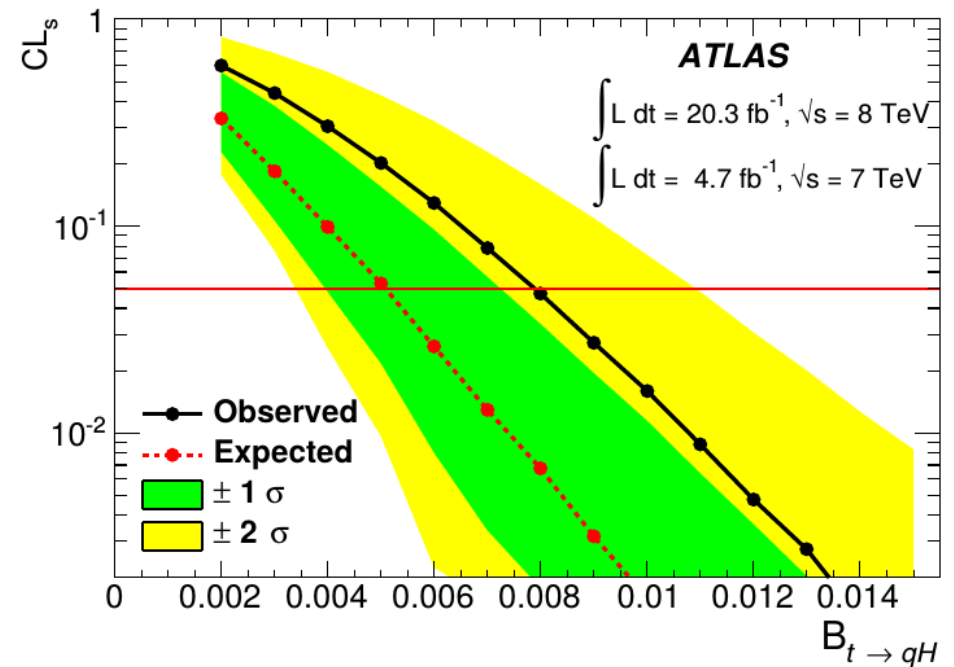
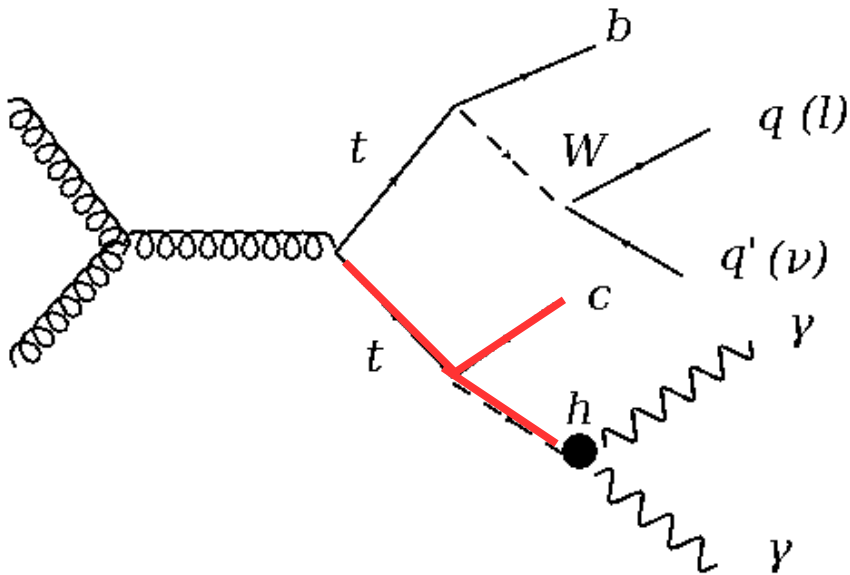


Attempt to show constraints on a type-II 2HDM configuration



# Exotic Higgs sectors: Flavour violation

- Flavour changing (FC) neutral currents appear in many BSM theories
  - In type-III 2HDM, for instance, FC couplings **tch** (and tuh) exist and can have sizeable effects for LHC searches



Final constrain on the FC branching ratio:  
 $BR(t \rightarrow qh) < 0.79$  (0.51) % observed  
 (expected) @ 95% CL

# Higgs singlets: NMSSM

- Criticism of the 2HDM

The only solution is to follow the teachings of Wess and Zumino!



2HDM gives you **more freedom**

- no severe mass constraints
- options for more searches for CP-violation
- more signatures



But you have to trade the physics motivation of the MSSM or expect that it will come with some company:

NMSSM keeps the SUSY physics motivation and allows for more freedom!

# Higgs singlets: NMSSM

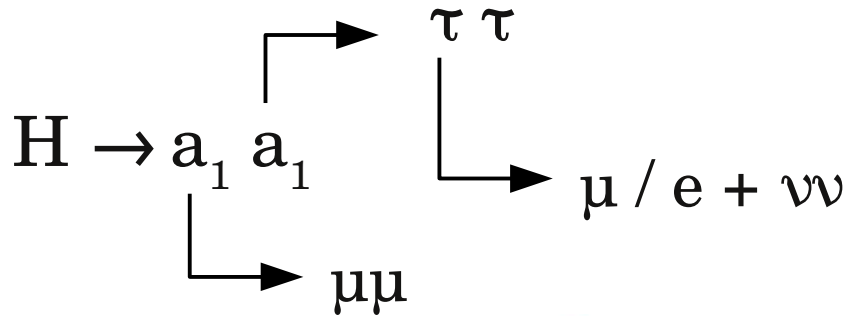
- NMSSM = next-to-minimal supersymmetric SM
  - Adds a singlet to the 2 Higgs Doublets of the MSSM: two additional Higgs bosons and one more neutralino (wrt MSSM)
  - Solves also the MSSM  $\mu$  problem
  - Higgs sector not CP-conserving at tree-level!
  - The tree-level MSSM relation “ $m_h < m_z$ ” is not valid!
  - LEP and MSSM  $\tau$  limits showed previously are not valid!

Typical phenomenological signature of NMSSM: existence of ultra-low mass Higgses,  $a_1$ , opening up decays like  $h_1 \rightarrow a_1 a_1$ ,  $H^+ \rightarrow a_1 W$

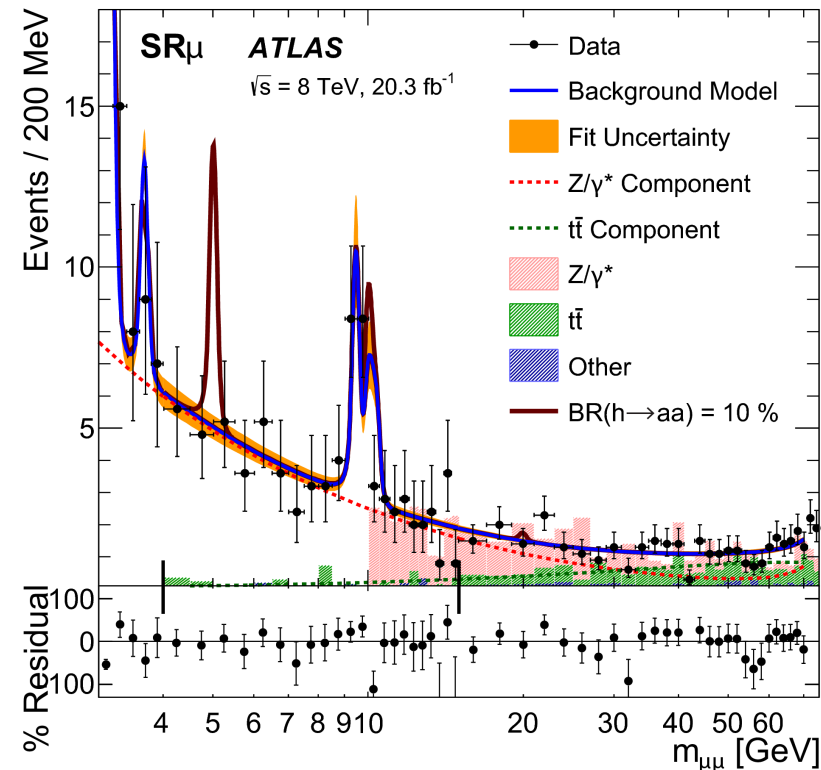
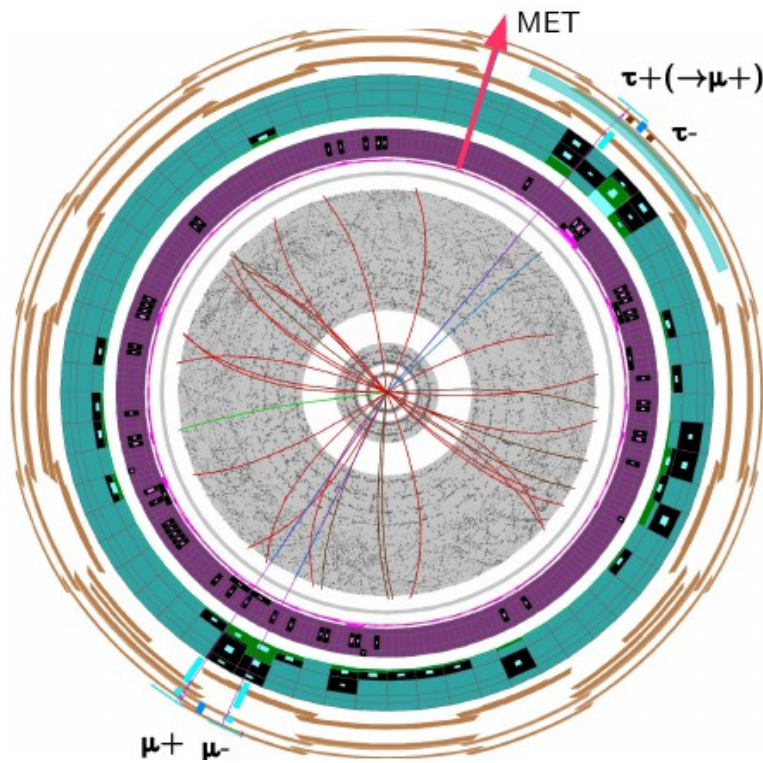


$$h \rightarrow a_1 a_1 \rightarrow \mu \mu \tau \tau$$

arXiv:1505.01609

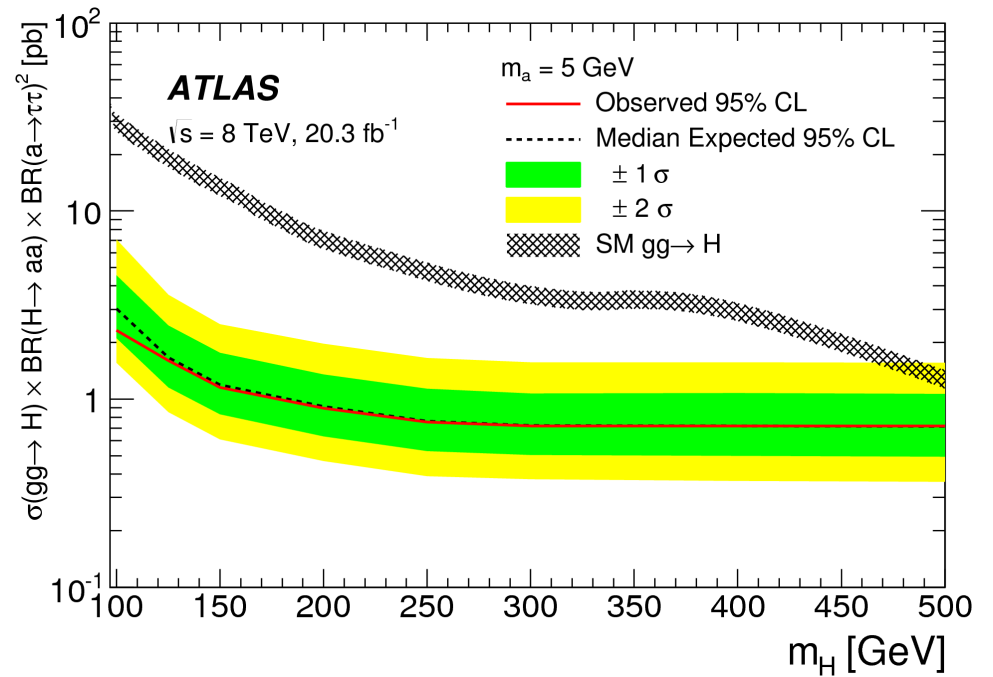
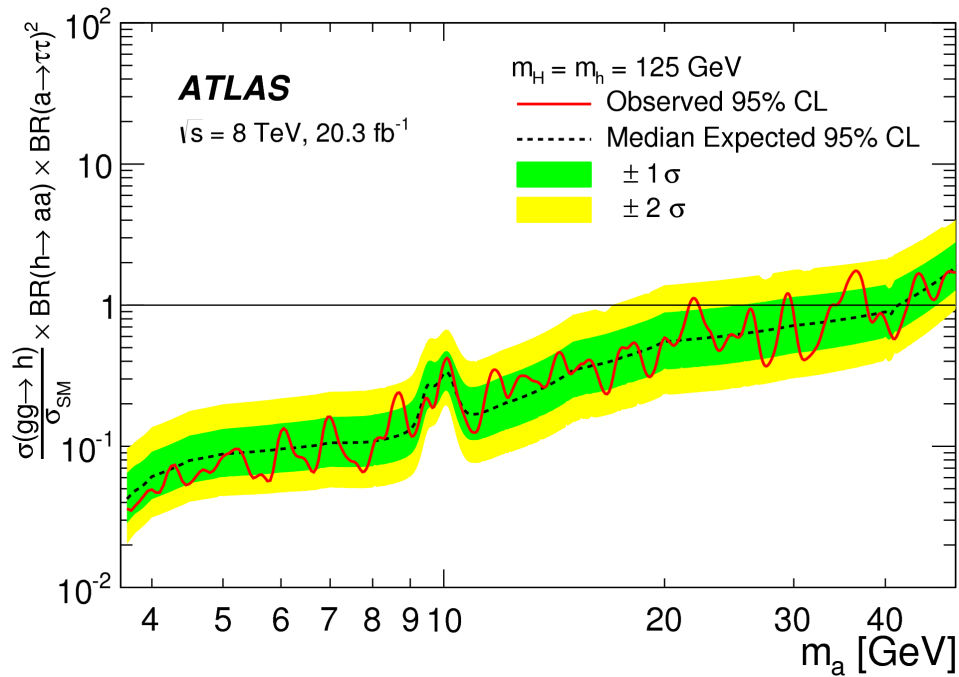


Searching for a bump in the  $\mu\mu$  spectrum:



# $h \rightarrow a_1 a_1 \rightarrow \mu \mu \tau \tau$

Look for  $m_a$  in the mass range: 3.7 – 50 GeV and for a heavy Higgs decaying to  $aa$  in the range 100 – 500 GeV



# Higher Order Representations

- There are arguments why one would be interested in higher order representations (i.e. isospin  $> \frac{1}{2}$ )
  - triplets (isospin=1) may be connected to neutrino masses
  - there are reasonable phenomenological possibilities that are not covered by 2HDM/MSSM due to their restricted Higgs sector structure
    - ✓ absence of vertices like  $H^+ZW$  (although they violate no basic symmetry)
    - ✓ Higgs couplings to  $W/Z$  must be less than their SM values
  - But they also suffer from a fundamental problem
    - ✗  $\rho \neq 1$  at tree-level

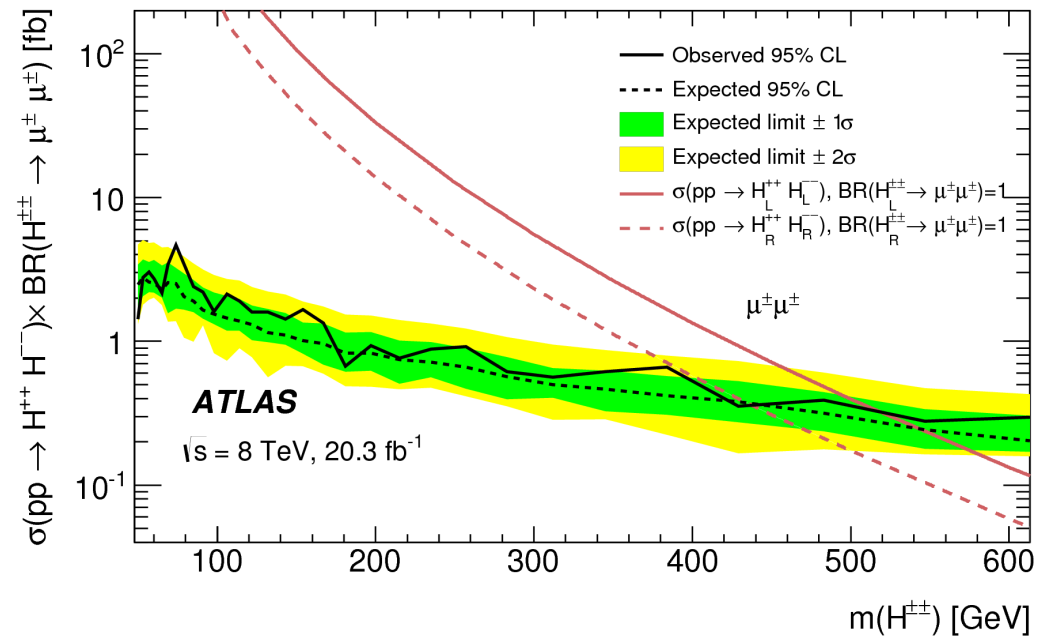
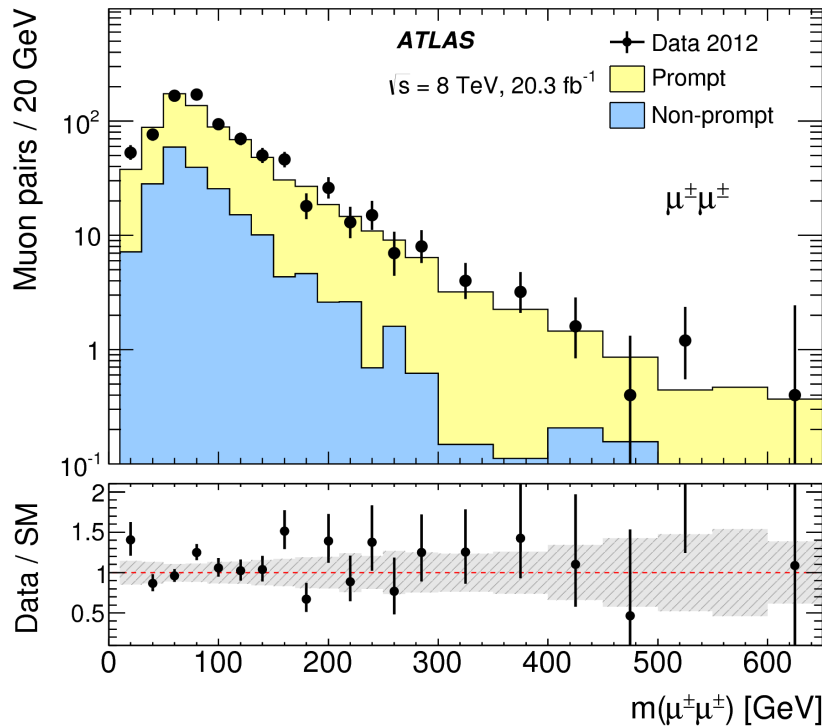
# Higher Order Representations

- There are ways to solve the tree-level  $\rho \neq 1$  issue
  - Fine tune the value of the triplet v.e.v. (up to GeV)
  - Fine tune the Higgs potential, such that it has the custodial  $SU(2)_V$  symmetry after EWSB (e.g. Georgi-Machacek model)
- Typical signatures
  - Doubly charged Higgs
  - $H^+ \rightarrow WZ$

$$H^{++} \rightarrow l^+ l^+$$

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- Doubly charged Higgs to same sign leptons
  - Pair production of  $H^{++}$  via  $Z/\gamma^*$

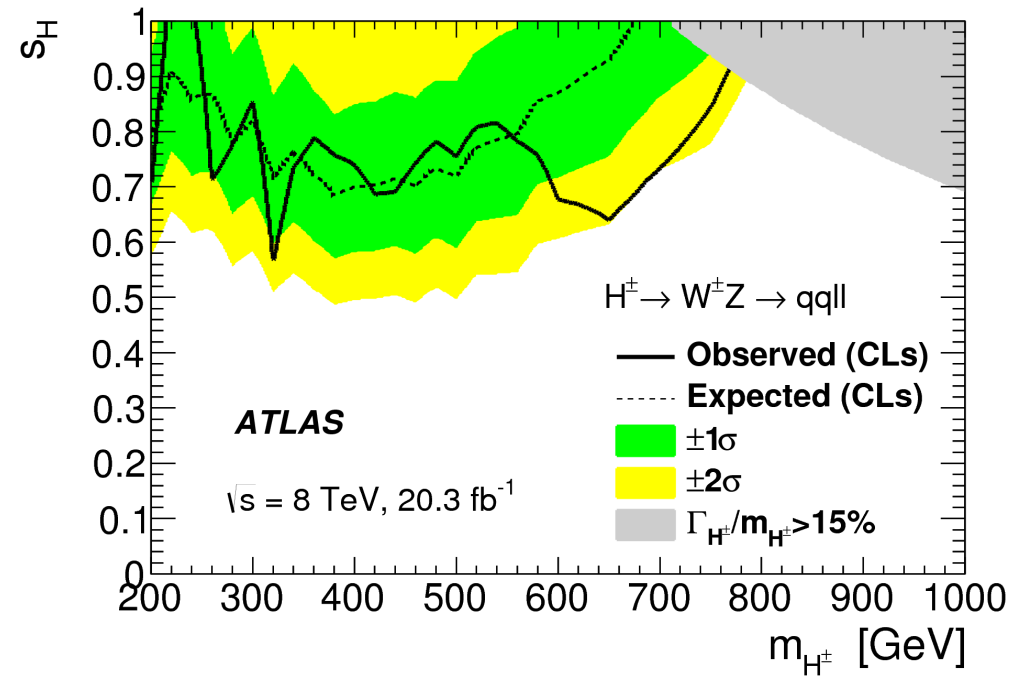
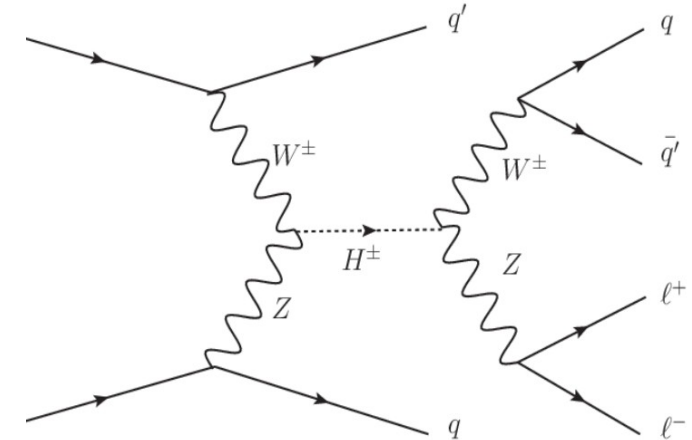
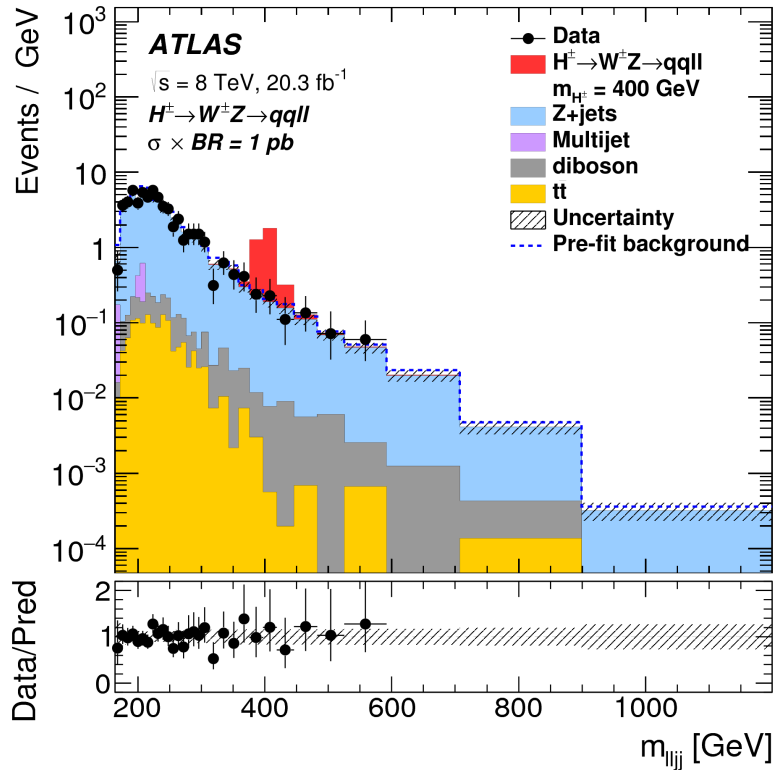


Example from the  $\mu\mu$  channel. Other channels are also in the paper:  $e\mu$ ,  $ee$

# $H^+ \rightarrow WZ$

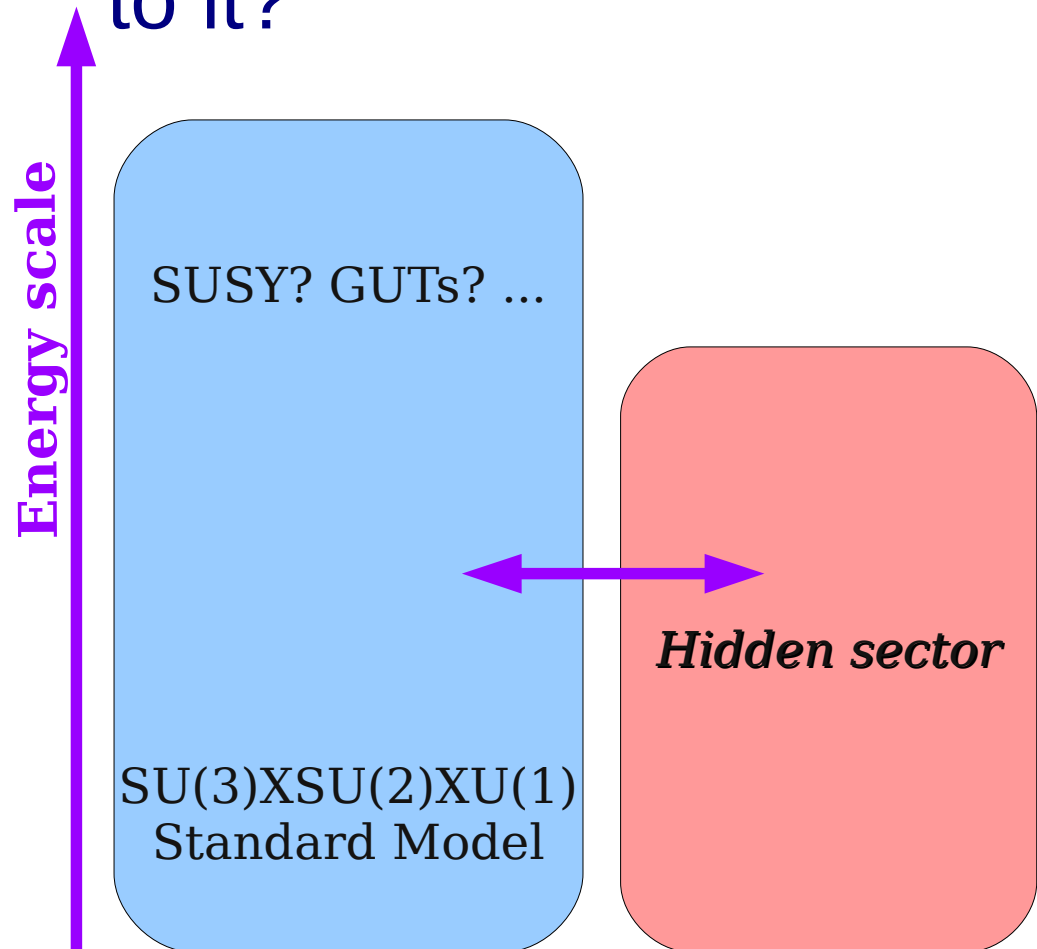
- VBF Production of a charged scalar that decays to ZW

arXiv:1503.04233



# Portals to Hidden Sectors

- If there is a hidden sector in nature: how to connect to it?



The Higgs sector provides a connection with a singlet  $S$  under the SM group using renormalizable operators:

$$\phi \phi S S \quad \text{Higgs portal}$$

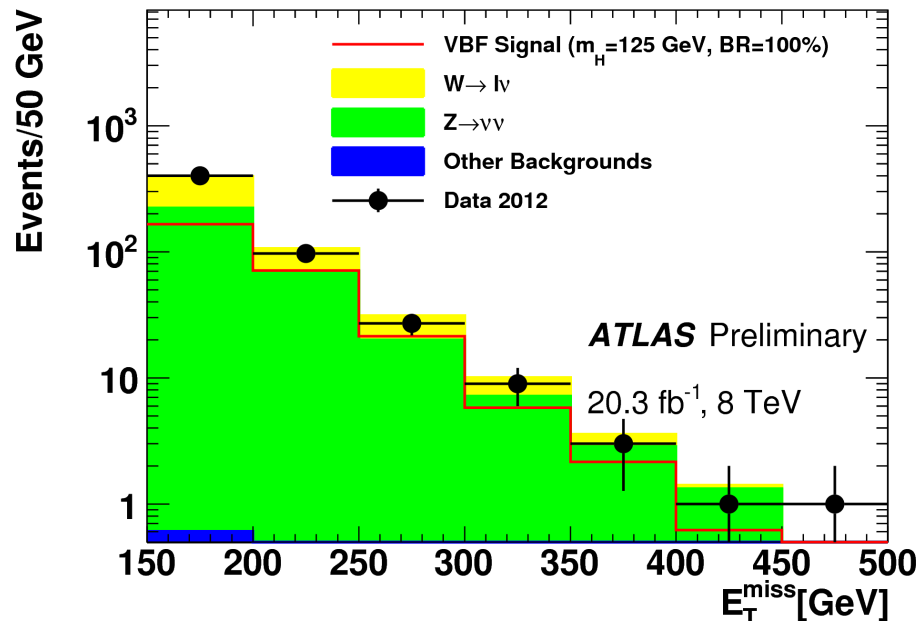
# Portals to Hidden Sectors

- A variety of signatures is motivated by such a connection
  - Couplings of Higgs to light (pseudo)scalars, ie. similar to the signatures of the NMSSM, see also **arXiv:1312.4992**
  - Higgs to dark matter (invisible) or long lived particles



# Higgs to invisible

- The SM Higgs boson has decays to (LHC detector) invisible particles, e.g.,  $h \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \nu\nu\nu$ , which has  $BR \sim 1/1000$  and hence it is beyond our current sensitivity.
  - Some ATLAS searches looking for “h125”  $\rightarrow$  invisible
- VBF Higgs to invisible:  $BR(inv) < 29\%$



V( $\rightarrow jj$ )H Higgs to invisible:  
 $BR(inv) < 78\%$

Z( $\rightarrow ll$ )H Higgs to invisible:  
 $BR(inv) < 75\%$

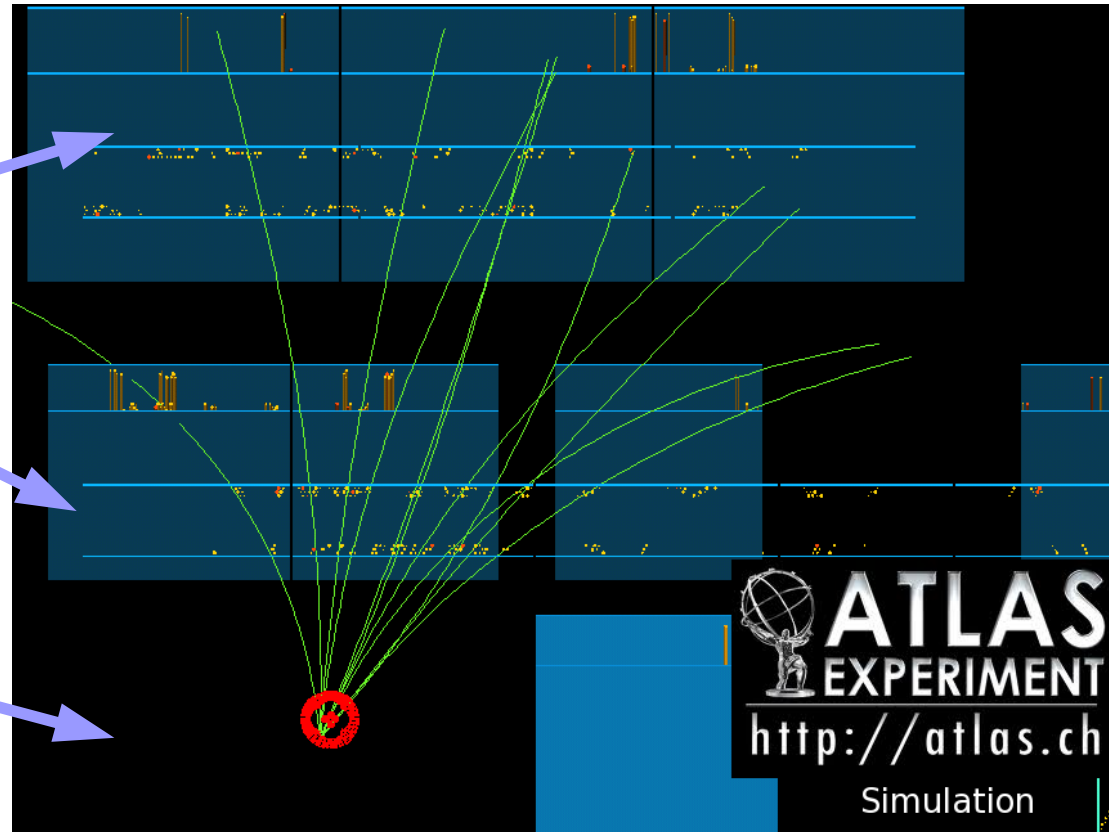
# Higgs to Long Lived particles

- Higgs decaying to invisible, long-lived “hidden valley” pions  $\pi_v$ , which decay to jets in the outer calorimeter and are detected in the muon system

$$h \rightarrow \pi_v \pi_v; \pi_v \rightarrow bb/cc/\tau\tau$$

ATLAS muon system

Calorimeter



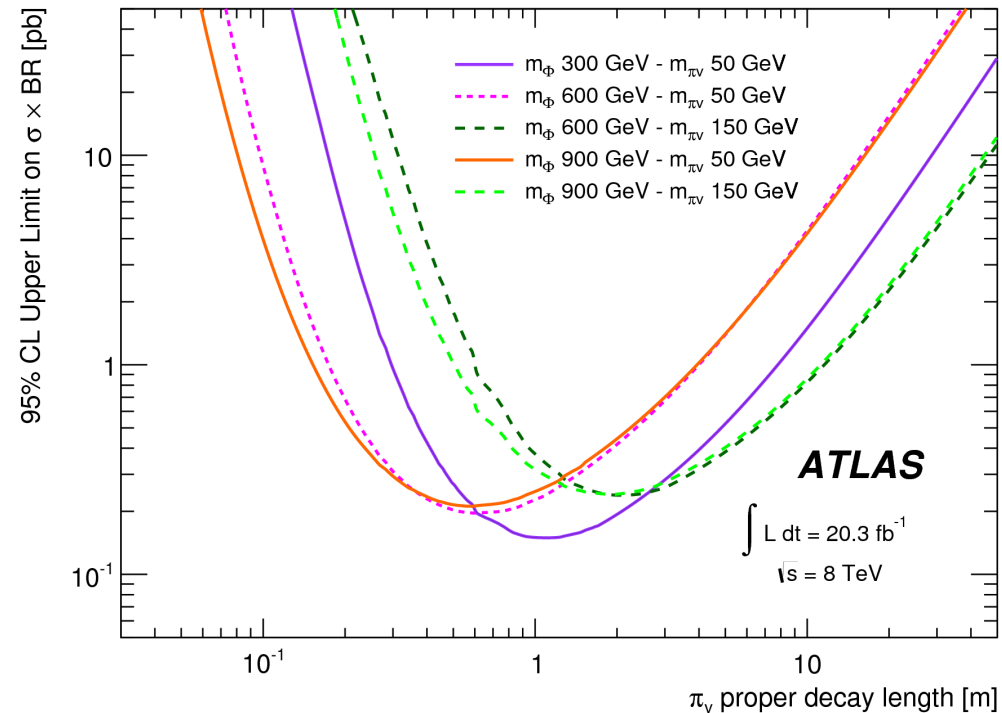
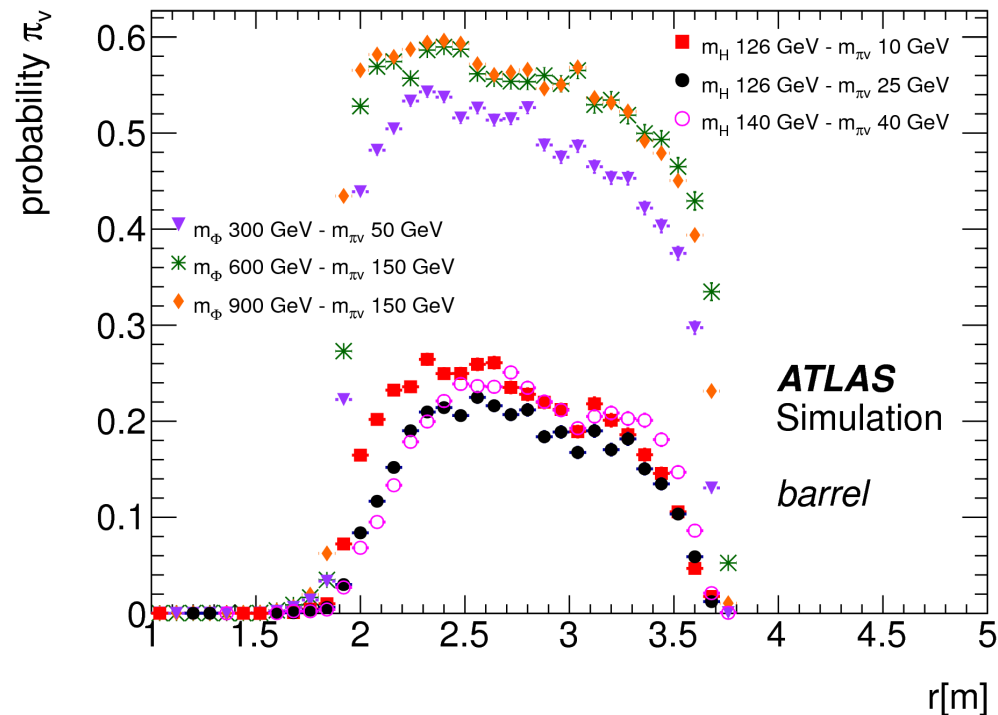
# Higgs to Long Lived particles

- Dedicated trigger development

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Trigger efficiency for a single  $\pi_\nu$  as a function of the radial decay length in the barrel

Observed limit for various mass assumptions



# Run-I results and hints for the future

- The search for BSM Higgs has just started!
- There is significant physics motivation

Supersymmetry, composite Higgs, baryogenesis, neutrino mass, dark matter, ...

- Only now we are start being sensitivity to most of the models

# Run-I results and hints for the future

- In Run-I we discovered what is most probably the lightest CP-even SUSY Higgs
  - We have disfavoured additional light MSSM Higgses, as well as the possibility that the heavy CP-even Higgs is the one at 125 GeV
  - There is still a lot of space for MSSM Higgses at high  $m_A$ 
    - $H/A \rightarrow \tau\tau$  will continue being the workhorse at high  $\tan\beta$
- In Run-I also we started exploring lots of signatures without the SUSY bias: Some of them have just started and are not yet sensitive to any realistic model
  - $H^+ \rightarrow tb$  has just started;  $H/A \rightarrow tt$  is very difficult
  - Triplets, exotic decays etc are just in their infancy

# Run-I results and hints for the future

- Do not forget flavour physics:
  - I didn't have time to talk a lot, but many channels, including  $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $B \rightarrow \tau\nu$ , etc have very high BSM Higgs interest
- We have to keep in mind looking for a Higgs boson means that we are looking for “a Higgs boson”
  - Higgs couples to mass, so disfavouring your exotic Higgs model doesn't mean that you disfavoured BSM Higgs
  - This essentially means that life may be more difficult than we would want and we should not be surprised if we have to wait for a discovery till the later stages of Run-II

## Concluding remark

### No BSM? Beware Historical Hubris

- ***"So many centuries after the Creation, it is unlikely that anyone could find hitherto unknown lands of any value" - Spanish Royal Commission, rejecting Christopher Columbus proposal to sail west, < 1492***
- *"The more important fundamental laws and facts of physical science have all been discovered" – Albert Michelson, 1894*
- *"There is nothing new to be discovered in physics now. All that remains is more and more precise measurement" - Lord Kelvin, 1900*
- *"Is the End in Sight for Theoretical Physics?" – Stephen Hawking, 1980*

From the theory summary talk in LHCP 2014 by J. Ellis

## Even more results

- Not all results were able to be shown
- All public results from ATLAS here:

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic>



# Exotic Higgs sectors: Flavour violation

- Flavour changing neutral currents may also appear in Higgs decays as well

arXiv:1502.07400

- $H \rightarrow \tau\mu$

$$\mathcal{L}_Y \supset - Y_{e\mu} \bar{e}_L \mu_R h - Y_{\mu e} \bar{\mu}_L e_R h - Y_{e\tau} \bar{e}_L \tau_R h - Y_{\tau e} \bar{\tau}_L e_R h - Y_{\mu\tau} \bar{\mu}_L \tau_R h - Y_{\tau\mu} \bar{\tau}_L \mu_R h + h.c.$$

