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# *NMSSM Higgs Boson Phenomenology at the LHC*

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## After Higgs Discovery: Which Higgs Boson?

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## The $\mathcal{NMSSM}$ Higgs Sector

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- **Next-to-Minimal Supersymmetric Extension of the SM: NMSSM**

Fayet; Kaul eal; Barbieri eal; Dine eal; Nilles eal; Frere eal; Derendinger eal; Ellis eal;  
Drees; Ellwanger eal; Savoy; Elliott eal; Gunion eal; Franke eal; Maniatis; Djouadi eal; Mahmoudi eal; ...

- **The  $\mu$ -problem of the MSSM:**

Higgsino mass parameter  $\mu$  must be of order of EWSB scale

Kim,Nilles

- **Solution in the NMSSM:**

$\mu$  generated dynamically through the VEV of scalar component of an additional chiral superfield field  $\hat{S}$ :  $\mu = \lambda \langle S \rangle$  from:  $\lambda \hat{S} \hat{H}_u \hat{H}_d$

- **Enlarged Higgs and neutralino sector:** 2 complex Higgs doublets  $\hat{H}_u, \hat{H}_d$ , 1 complex singlet  $\hat{S}$

7 Higgs bosons:  $H_1, H_2, H_3, A_1, A_2, H^+, H^-$

5 neutralinos:  $\tilde{\chi}_i^0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, 5$ )

- **Significant changes of Higgs boson phenomenology**

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# NMSSM Higgs Mass in View of the LHC Results

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- **Vast literature on NMSSM Higgs of  $\sim 125\text{-}126 \text{ GeV}$**

Hall eal; Ellwanger; Gunion eal; King,MMM,Nevzorov; Albornoz Vasquez eal; Cao eal; Gabrielli eal; Ellwanger, Hugonie; Kang eal; Cheung eal; Jeong eal; Hardy eal; Kim eal; Arvanitaki eal; Cheng eal; Bélanger eal; Kowalska eal; Badziak eal; Moretti eal; Choi eal; Munir eal; Barbieri eal; Beskidt eal; Berg eal; Gherghetta eal; Cerdeno eal; Das eal; Christensen eal; Bhattacherjee eal; Guo eal; ...

- **Compatibility of NMSSM Higgs mass with LHC Searches:**

\* Upper mass bounds + corrections to the MSSM, NMSSM Higgs boson mass:

$$\text{MSSM: } m_h^2 \approx M_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta + \Delta m_h^2$$

$$\text{NMSSM: } m_h^2 \approx M_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta + \lambda^2 v^2 \sin^2 2\beta + \Delta m_h^2$$

$\Rightarrow M_H \approx 126$  requires:

MSSM:  $\Delta m_h \approx 85 \text{ GeV}$  ( $\tan \beta$  large)  $\Rightarrow$  large corrections are needed  $\rightsquigarrow$  conflict with fine-tuning

NMSSM:  $\Delta m_h \approx 55 \text{ GeV}$  ( $\lambda = 0.7, \tan \beta = 2$ )

$\Rightarrow$  NMSSM requires less fine-tuning

Hall,Pinner,Ruderman; Ellwanger; Arvanitaki,Villadoro; King,MMM,Nevzorov; Kang,Li,Li; Cao,Heng,Yang,Zhang,Zhu

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## NMSSM Higgs Boson Mass

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- **Higgs mass prediction** as precise as possible:

distinguish between MSSM and NMSSM

properly define scenarios with Higgs-to-Higgs decays

correctly interpret experimental data

- **Status of Higgs mass calculations:**

- 1-loop corrections in effective potential approach Ellwanger eal; Elliott eal; Pandita

- 1-loop corrections in Feynman-diagrammatic approach Degrassi,Slavich

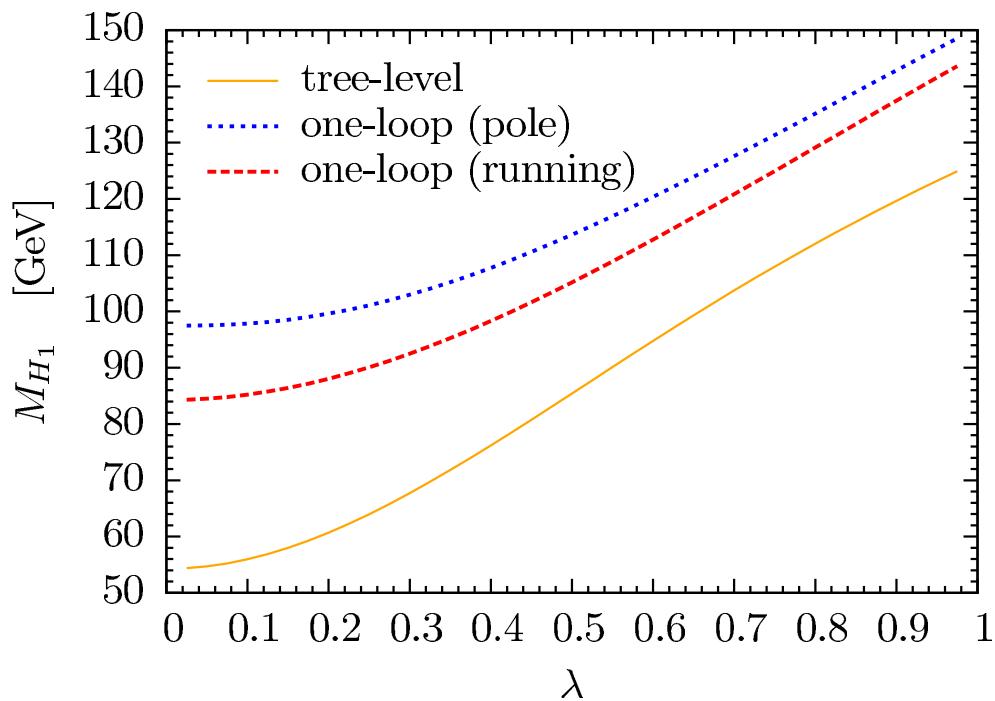
Ender,Graf,MMM,Rzehak '11

- 2-loop  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t \alpha_s + \alpha_b \alpha_s)$  Degrassi,Slavich

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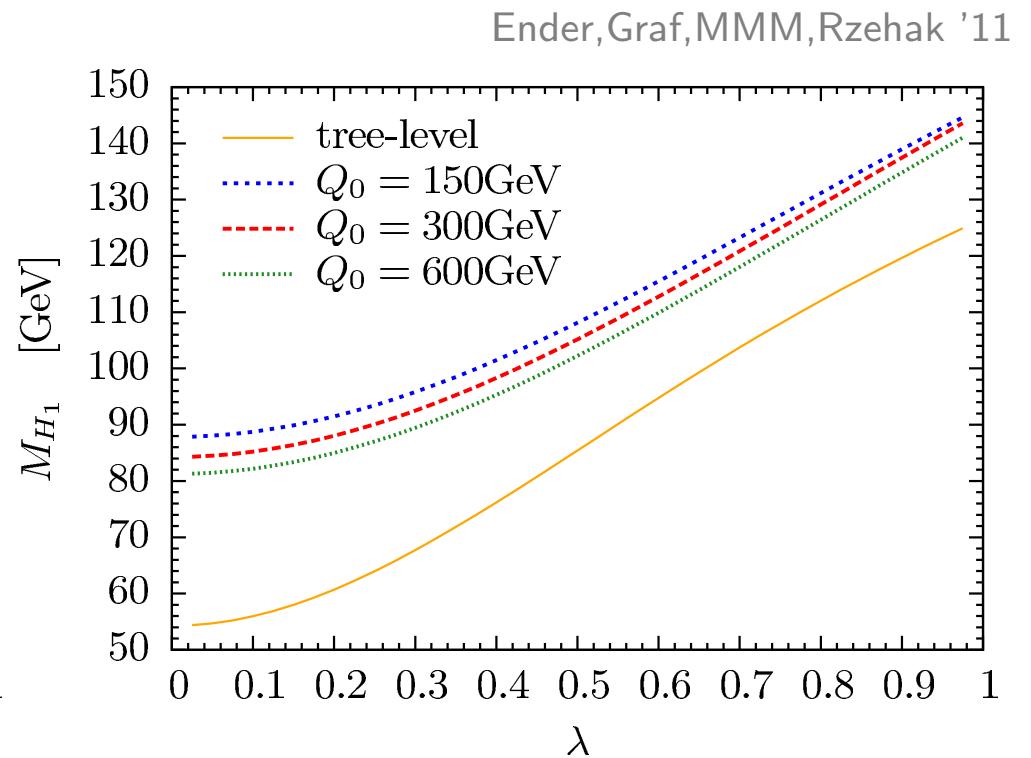
# NMSSM Higgs Boson Mass



Top quark mass:

$$m_t^{pole} = 173.3 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_t^{\overline{DR}} = 150.6 \text{ GeV at } Q = 300 \text{ GeV}$$

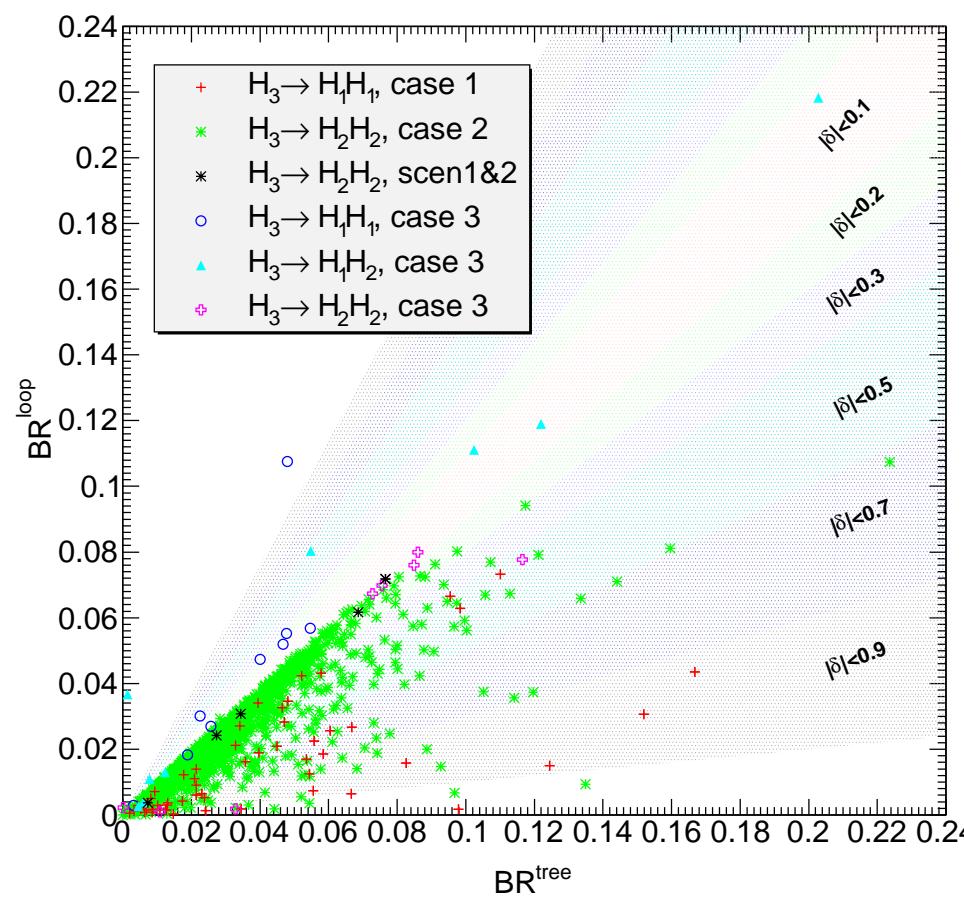


$\Rightarrow$  theoretical uncertainty  
 of the one-loop calculation:  
 $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$

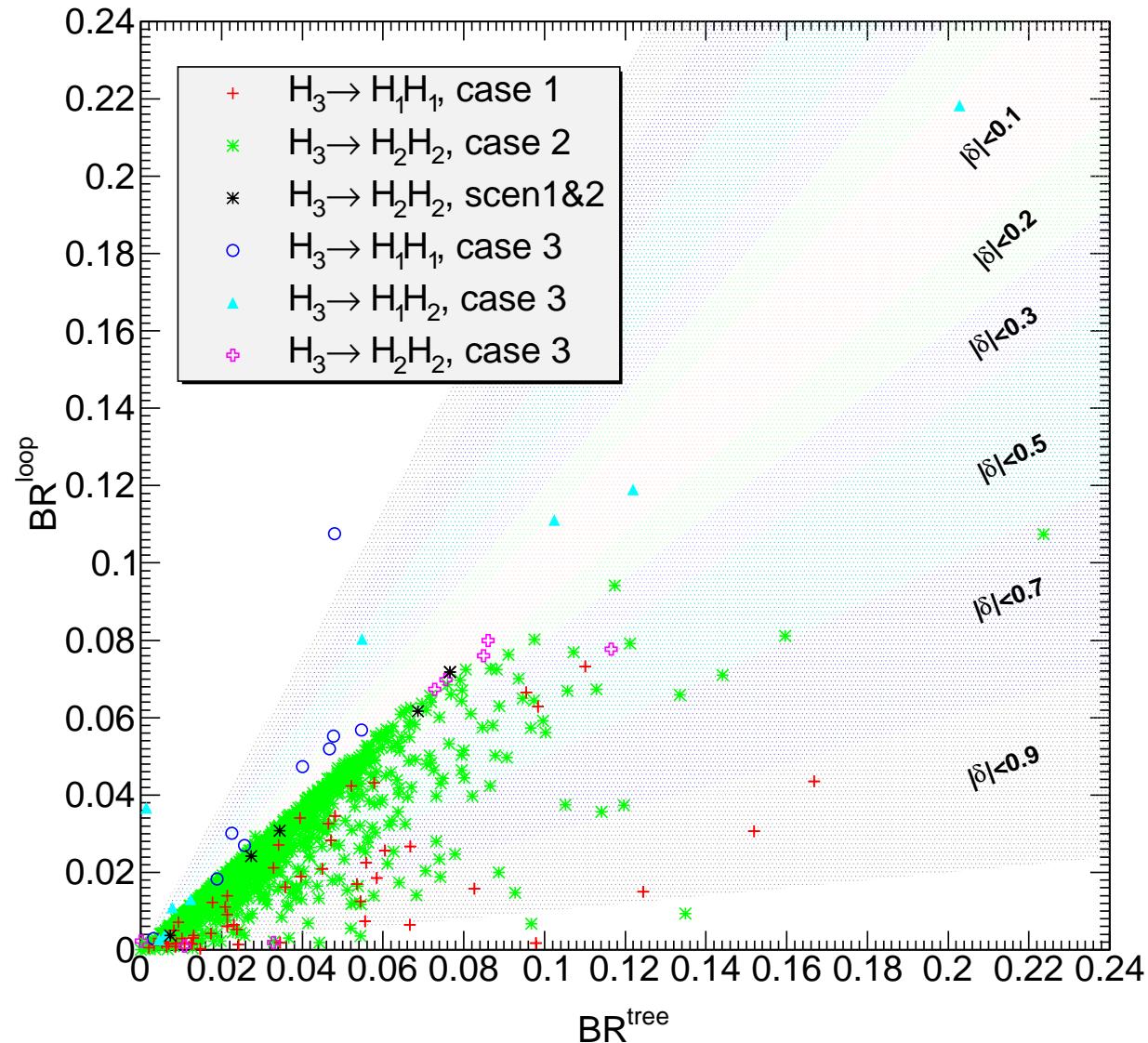
For 1-loop mass corrections in the complex NMSSM, see Graf,Grober,MMM,Rzehak,Walz '12

# Loop Corrected Trilinear Higgs Self-Coupling

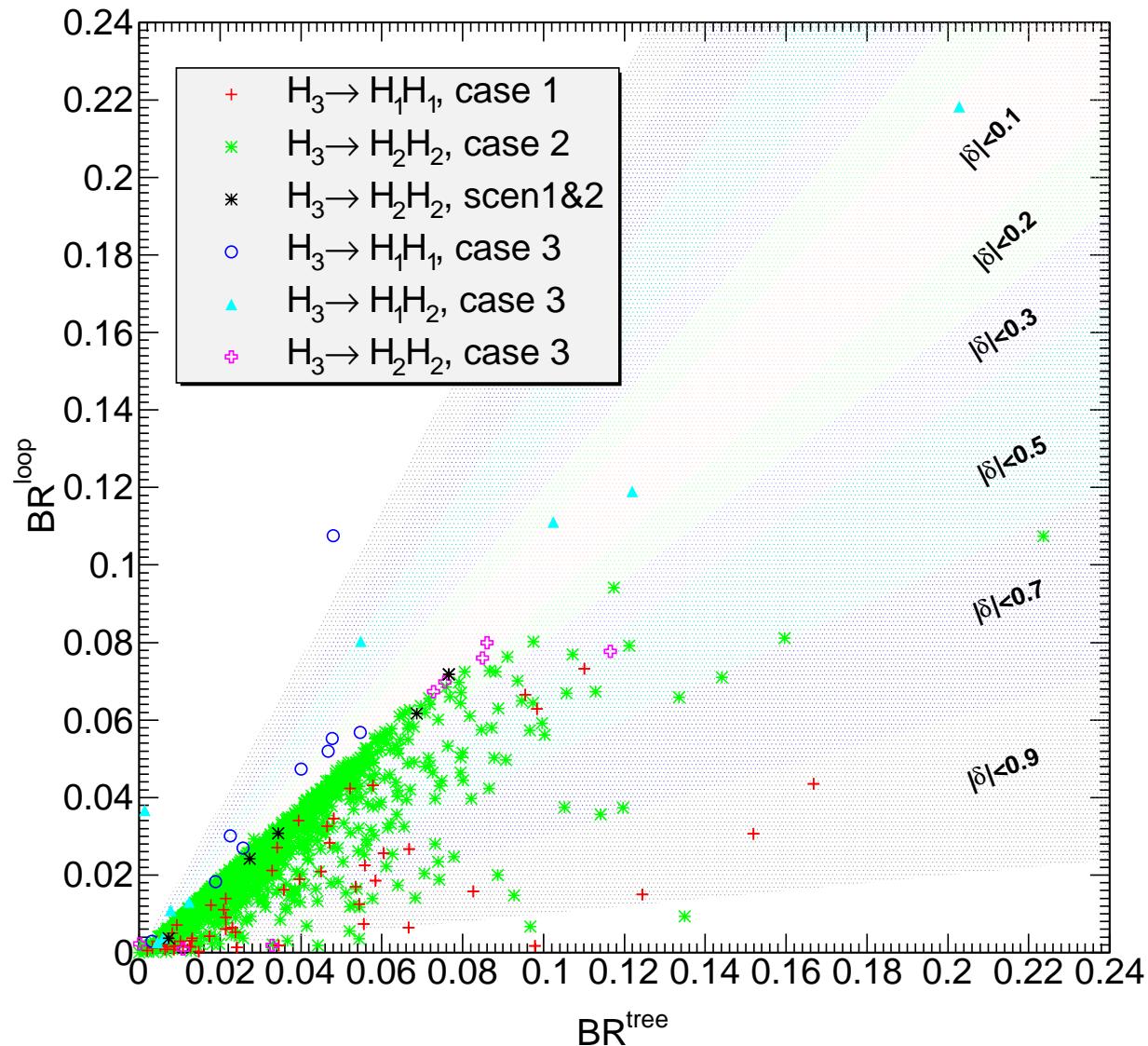
- **Higgs mass and self-couplings:** determined from Higgs potential  $\rightsquigarrow$  consistent description of Higgs sector at higher order requires loop corrections to masses **and** self-couplings  
⇒ determination of higher order corrections to trilinear Higgs self-couplings



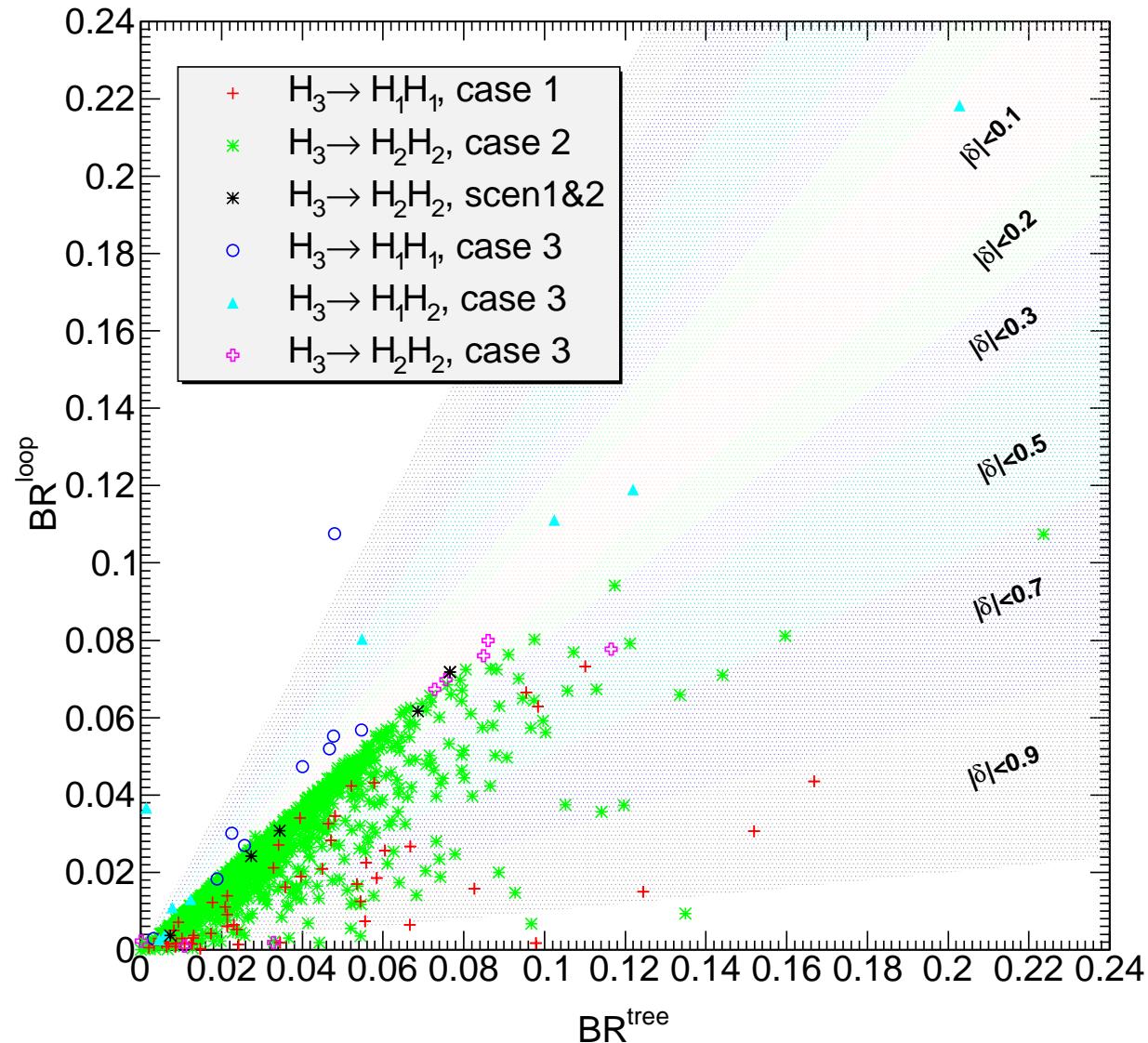
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\*  $H_3$  decays into SM-like Higgs bosons  $h$ :  $h = H_{1,2}$  (case 1,2);  $H_1, H_2$  degenerate in mass (case 3)



$$\delta \equiv \frac{BR^{\text{loop}} - BR^{\text{tree}}}{BR^{\text{tree}}}$$



- \* Effect of higher order corrections on branching ratios can be up to 90% and higher
- \* Black points: excluded if only tree-level BR considered: loop corrections decrease  $h$  decays into pair of lighter Higgs bosons  $\rightsquigarrow$  signal rates into SM particles compatible w/ LHC results

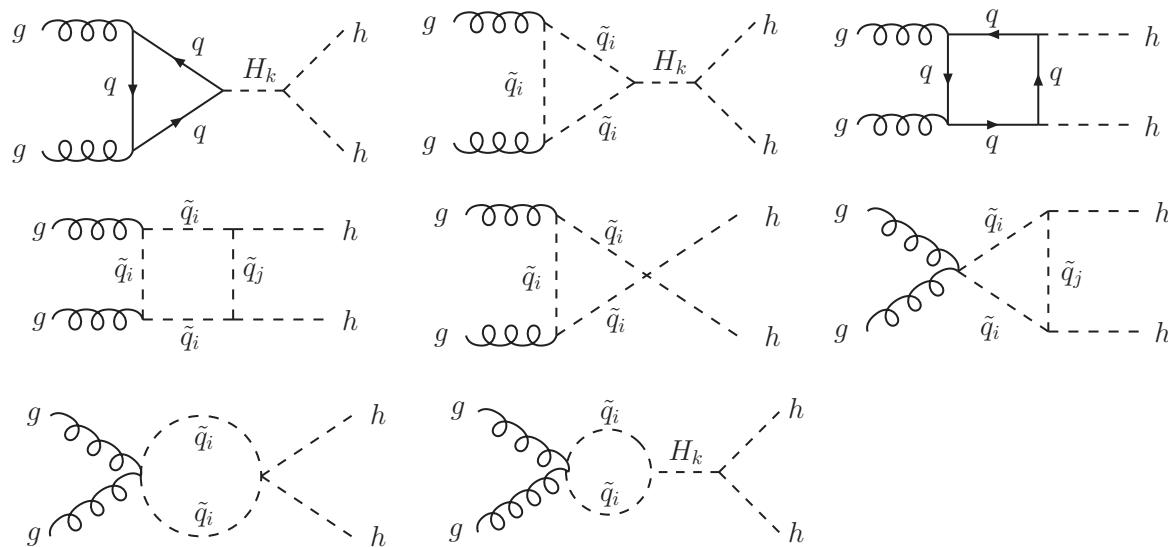
# Loop Corrected $\lambda_{\phi_i \phi_j \phi_k}$ and Higgs Pair Production

- **Higgs Pair Production:** Access to trilinear Higgs self-coupling

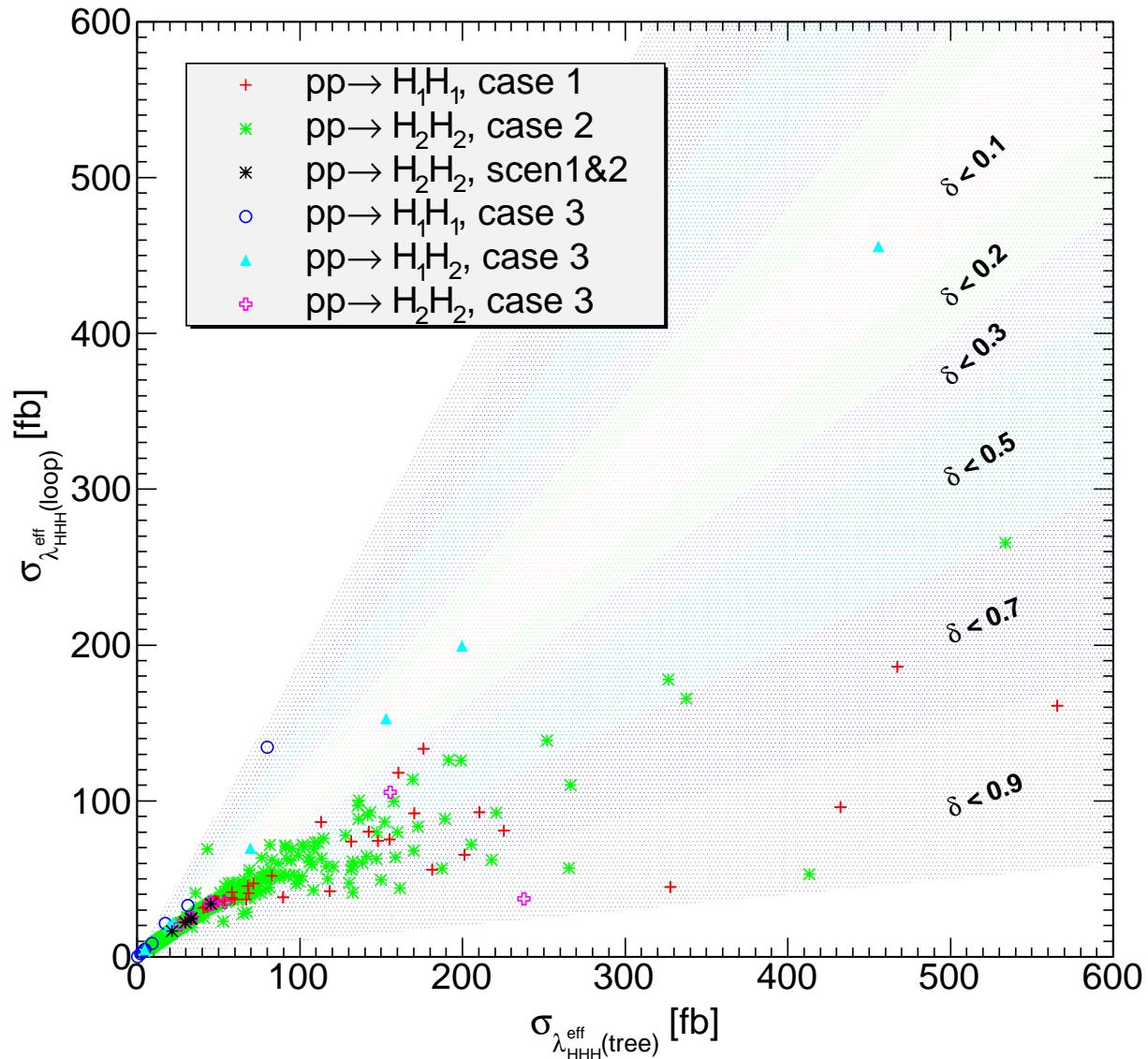
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- **Dominant process at LHC:**  $gg \rightarrow \phi_i \phi_k$

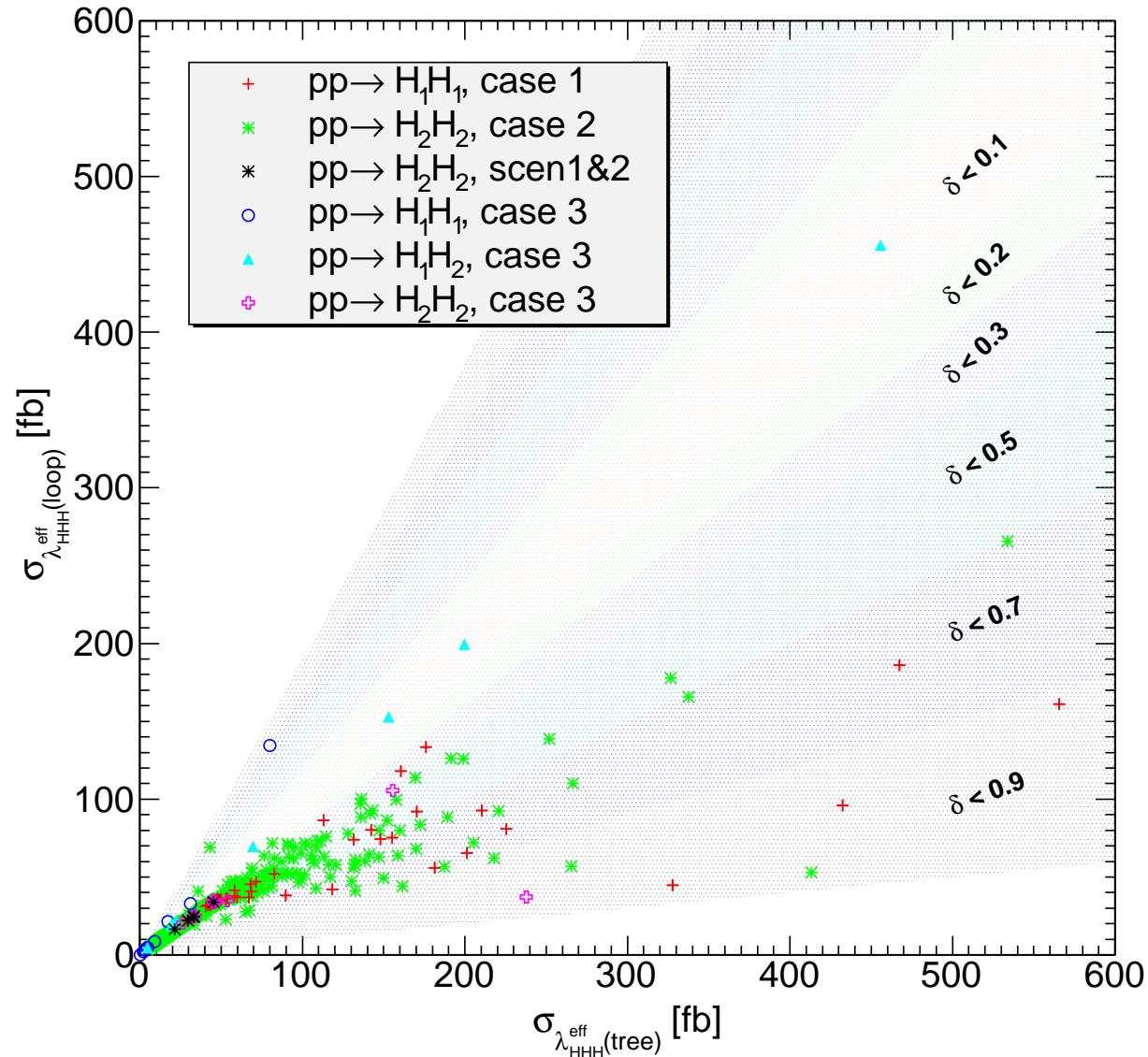
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Measurement of Higgs self-couplings  $\Rightarrow$  reconstruction of Higgs potential.



$$\delta \equiv \frac{\sigma_L - \sigma_T}{\sigma_T}$$



Large deviations (up to 90%) due to large deviations between tree-level and loop-corrected  $BR(H_3 \rightarrow hh)$ .

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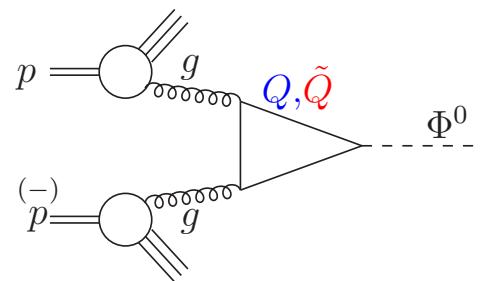
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- **Enhanced Diphoton rate (now only ATLAS)**

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$$BR(h^{126 \text{ GeV}} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \frac{\Gamma(h^{126 \text{ GeV}} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)}{(\Gamma_{b\bar{b}} + \Gamma_{WW} + \Gamma_{ZZ} + \dots)[h^{126 \text{ GeV}}]}$$

- \* Enhance gluon fusion production (enhanced for small stop mixing)



*NMSSM Scan - Light Stop Masses*

- \*  $\tan \beta = 2, 4$  maximize tree-level mass of lightest Higgs boson
  - \*  $0.55 \leq \lambda \leq 0.8$ ,  $10^{-4} \leq \kappa \leq 0.4$  validity of perturbativity    2-loop RGE's
  - \*  $100 \text{ GeV} \leq \mu_{\text{eff}} \leq 200 \text{ GeV}$  avoid finetuning
  - \*  $500 \text{ GeV} \leq M_{Q_3} = M_{t_R} \leq 800 \text{ GeV}$  avoid finetuning
  - $A_t = 0 \text{ GeV}, 1 \text{ TeV}$
  - \*  $-500 \text{ GeV} \leq A_\kappa \leq 0 \text{ GeV}$
  - $200 \text{ GeV} \leq A_\lambda \leq 800 \text{ GeV}$
  - \*  $M_{\tilde{u}_R} = M_{\tilde{c}_R} = M_{\tilde{D}_R} = M_{\tilde{Q}_{1,2}} = M_{\tilde{e}_R} = M_{\tilde{\mu}_R} = M_{\tilde{L}_{1,2}} = 2.5 \text{ TeV}$  comply with LHC results
  - $M_{\tilde{\tau}_R} = M_{\tilde{L}_3} = 300 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $A_D = A_E = 1 \text{ TeV}$
  - \*  $M_1 = 150 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $M_2 = 300 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $M_3 = 1 \text{ TeV}$

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## NMSSM Scan

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- **Conditions on the parameter scan:**

- \* At least one CP-even Higgs boson  $h$  with:  $124 \text{ GeV} \lesssim M_h \lesssim 127 \text{ GeV}$
- \* The reduced cross section for  $\gamma\gamma$  must fulfill:  $\mu_{\gamma\gamma}(h) \gtrsim 0.8$  with  
 $124 \text{ GeV} \lesssim M_h = M_{H^{\text{SM}}} \lesssim 127 \text{ GeV}$
- \* No restriction on rates into  $WW$ ,  $ZZ$ ,  $b\bar{b}$ ,  $\tau^+\tau^-$
- \* Higgs bosons outside 124...127 GeV: exclusion limits of LEP, Tevatron and LHC searches

- **Signal can be superposition of two Higgs boson rates close in mass:  $h$  and  $\Phi = H_i, A_j$**

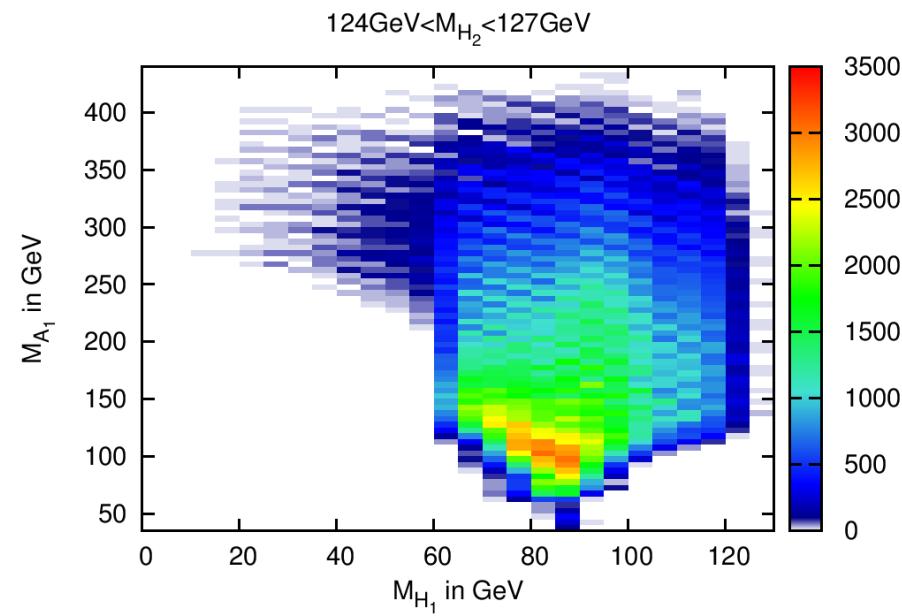
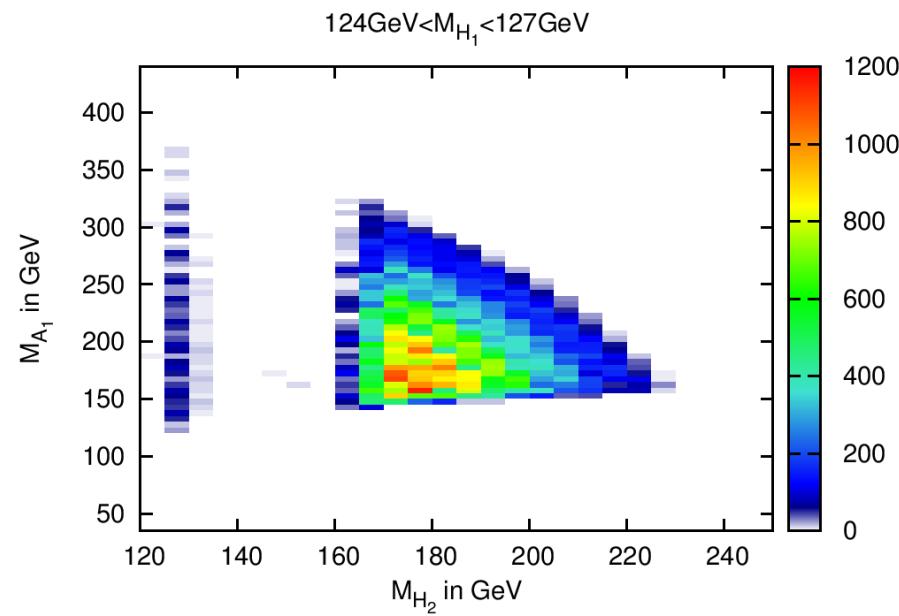
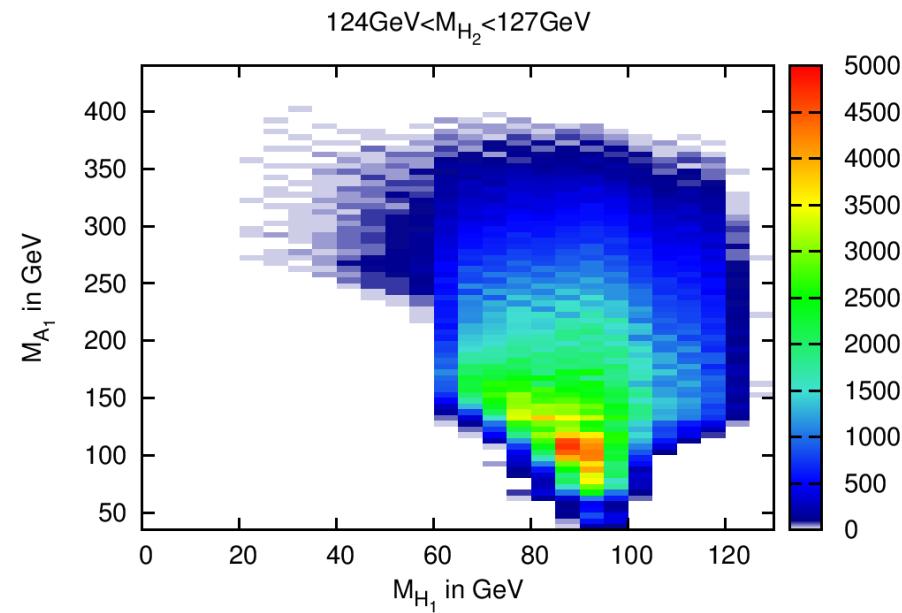
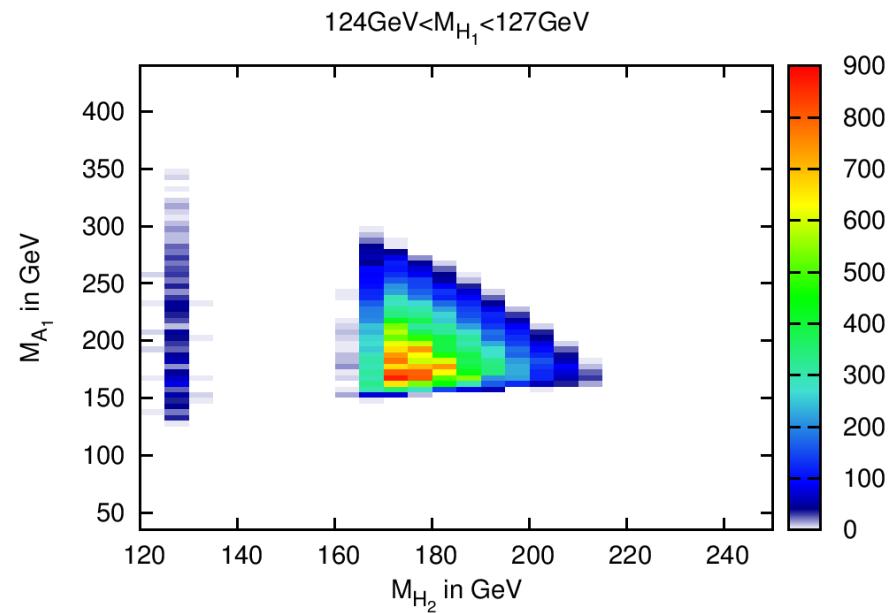
$$\mu_{XX}(h) \equiv R_\sigma(h) R_{XX}^{BR}(h) + \sum_{\substack{\Phi \neq h \\ |M_\Phi - M_h| \leq \delta}} R_\sigma(\Phi) R_{XX}^{BR}(\Phi) F(M_h, M_\Phi, d_{XX})$$

$\delta$ : mass resolution in the respective  $XX$  final state

$F(M_h, M_\Phi, d_{XX})$ : Gaussian weighting function

$d_{XX}$ : experimental resolution of final state  $XX$

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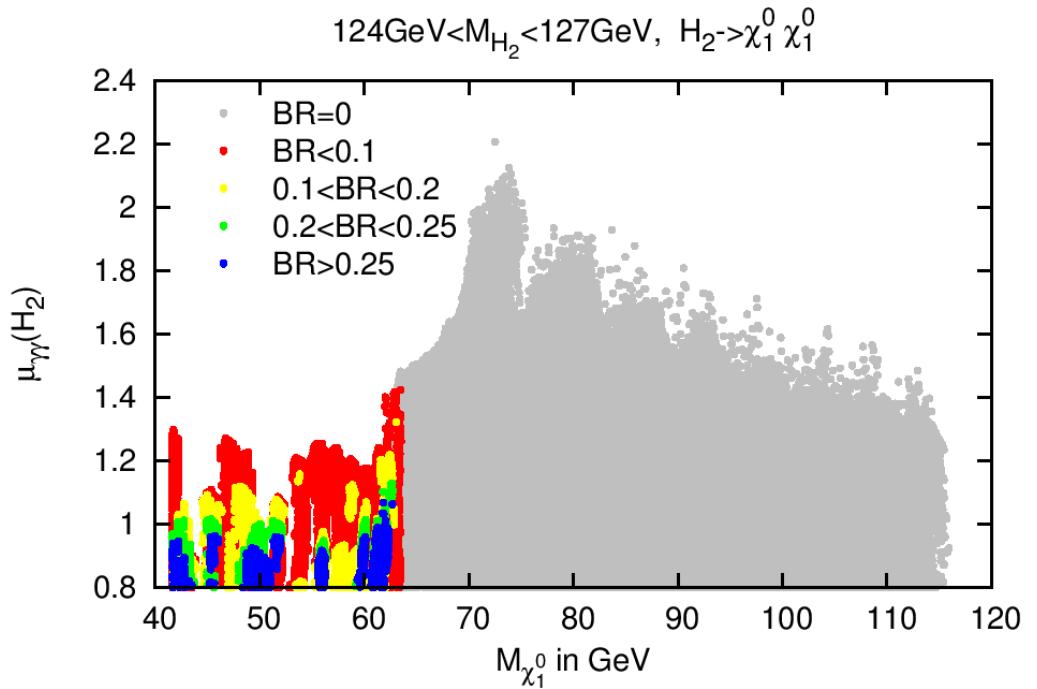
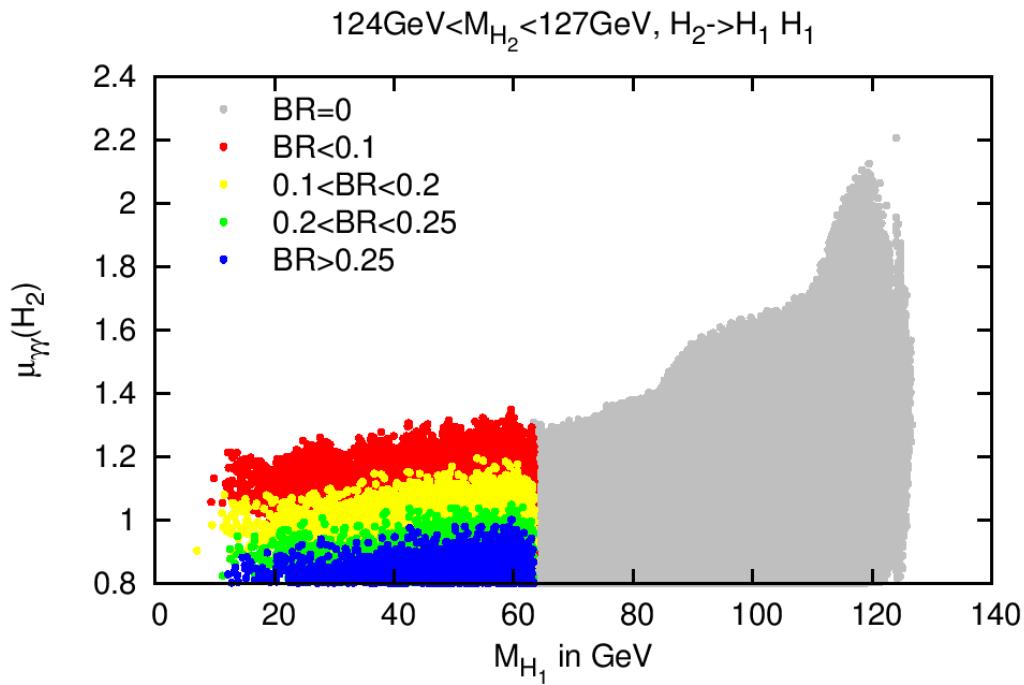
\* Upper/Lower:  $A_t = 0, 1$  TeV

\*  $M_{H_3}, M_{A_2}$  between 300 and 500 GeV

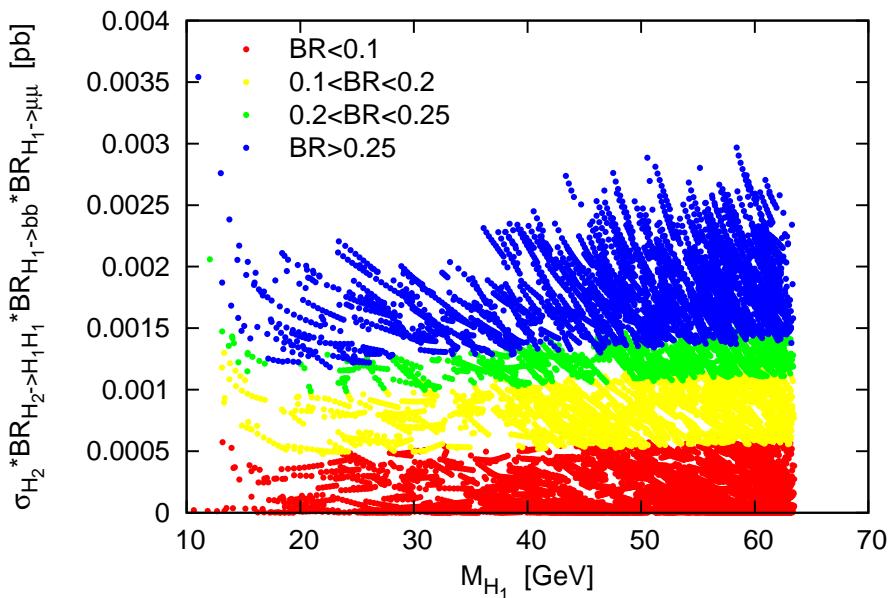
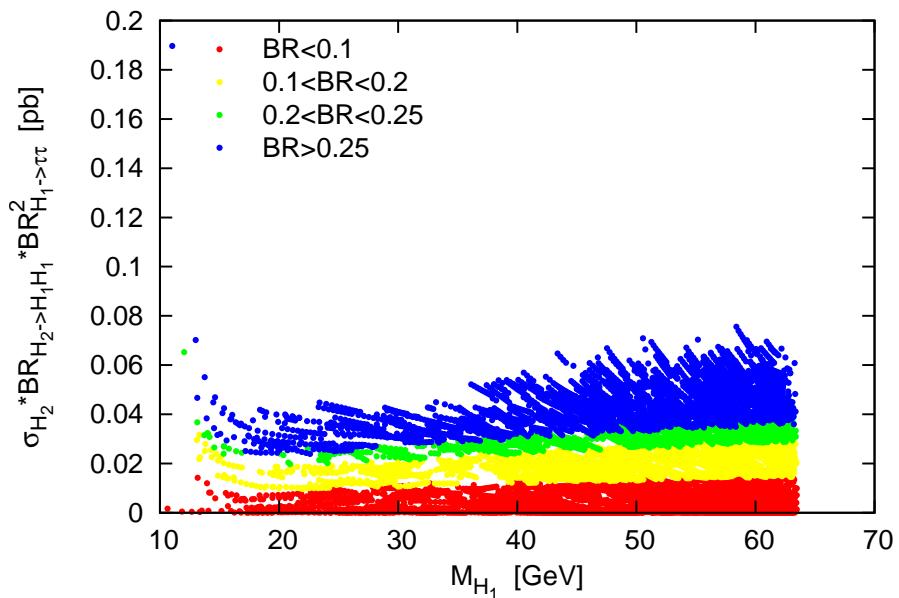
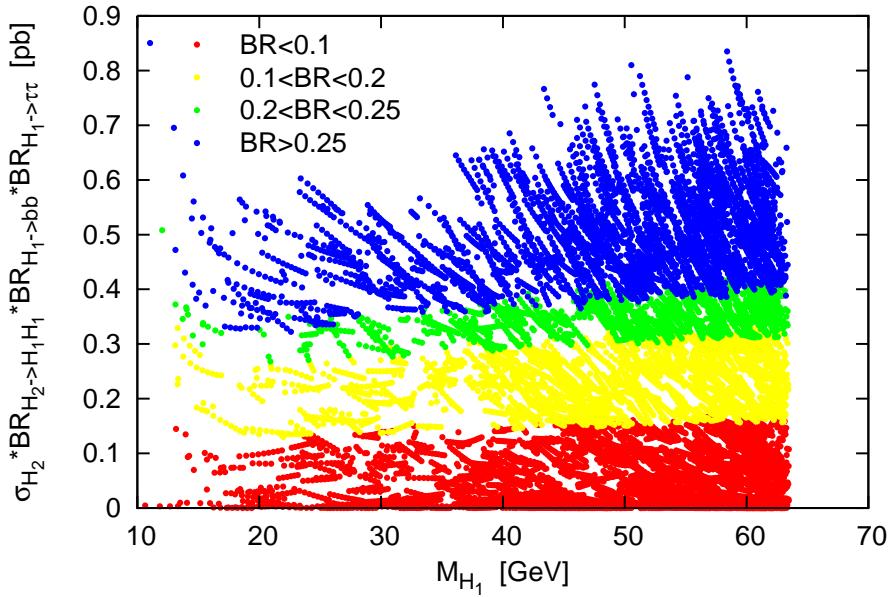
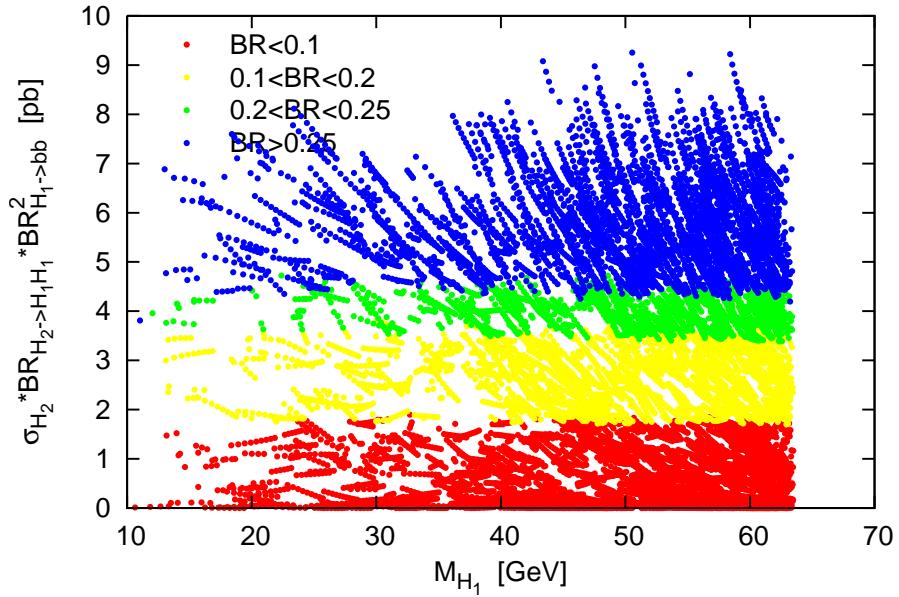
\* Possible degeneracy of  $h - H_{1,2}$  ( $H_{1,2} \neq h$ ),  $h - A_1$ , possible decays  $H_2 \rightarrow H_1 H_1, A_1 A_1, \chi_1^0 \chi_1^0$

## Exotic Decays

King, MMM, Nevzorov, Walz



- \*  $\tan \beta = 2, A_t = 1 \text{ TeV}$
- \*  $BR_{H_2}^{\max}(H_1 H_1) \approx 0.36, BR_{H_2}^{\max}(A_1 A_1) \approx 0.35$  and  $BR_{H_2}^{\max}(\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0) \approx 0.43$
- \*  $\sigma_{\text{prod}}(H_2) \times BR(H_2 \rightarrow \chi_1^0 \chi_1^0) \approx 4 - 8.5 \text{ pb}$



\* Decays  $H_2 \rightarrow H_1 H_1$

$A_t = 0$  TeV

\*  $BR(H_1 \rightarrow b\bar{b}) \approx 0.9$

$BR(H_1 \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-) \approx 0.07 - 0.085$

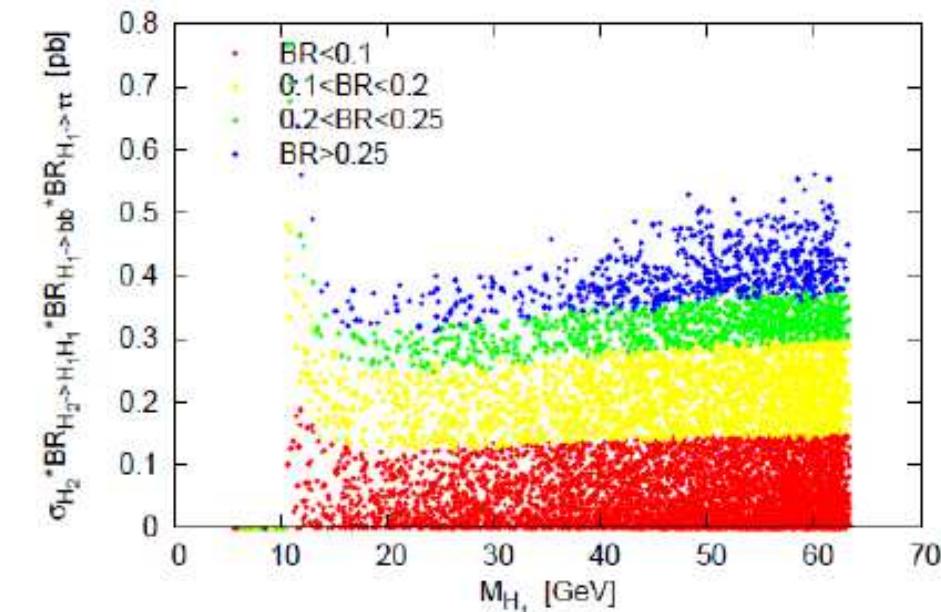
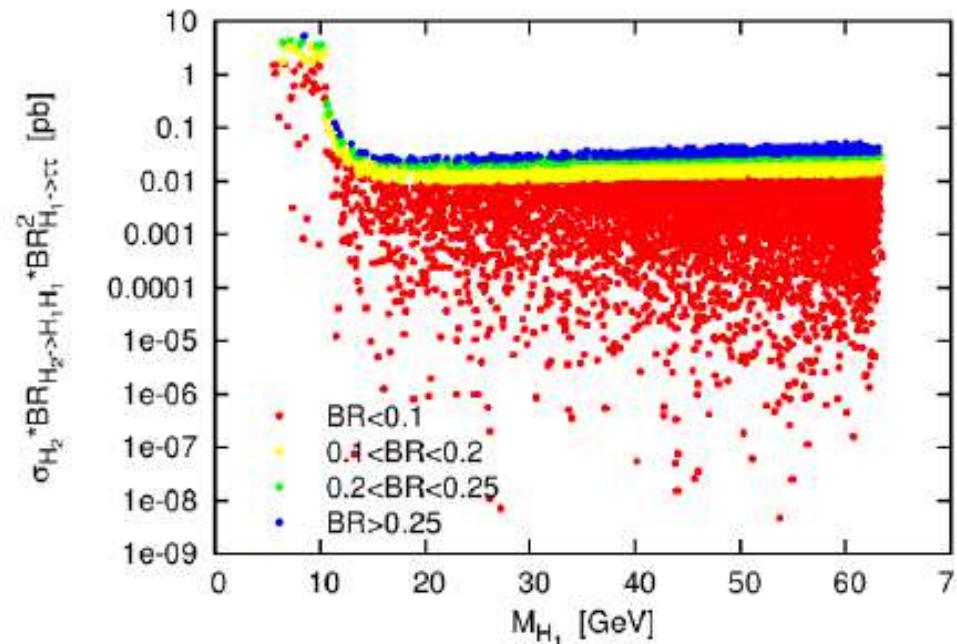
$BR(H_1 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) \lesssim 0.0006$

## Expected Signal - Results by Sasha Nikitenko

Consider two mass regions for  $m_{H_1}$

$6 \text{ GeV} < m_{H_1} < 2m_b$   
 $\tau\tau\tau\tau$  dominates

$2m_b < m_{H_1} < 2m_{H_2}$   
 $\tau\tau bb$  and  $bbbb$  dominates



## Expected signal event yield for 20 fb<sup>-1</sup> at 8 TeV

$\sigma \times \text{Br}(\tau\tau\tau\tau)$ from theory : 3 pb	60 000
Two $\tau \rightarrow \mu$ , two $\tau \rightarrow \text{hadr}$ : $0.17^2 \times 0.65^2 \times 6 = 0.0732$	4392
$p_T^{\mu 1} > 17 \text{ GeV},  \eta^{\mu 1}  < 2.1, p_T^{\mu 2} > 10 \text{ GeV},  \eta^{\mu 2}  < 2.4$ : 0.0713	313
$p_T^{\tau^{\text{th}}} > 10 \text{ GeV},  \eta^{\tau^{\text{th}}}  < 2.4$ : 0.277	87
$\Delta R(\mu - \mu) > 1.0$ : 0.579	50
Probably ask SS muons against DY, tt~, WW: 0.5	25
Probably ask only 1 track around muon against QCD: $0.75^2 = 0.56$	14

- $\tau\tau\tau\tau \rightarrow \tau_\mu\tau_h\tau_\mu\tau_h$  from inclusive  $H_2$  production and  $2m_\tau < M_{H_1} < 2m_b$  promising, but estimate of expected bkg needed

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## Conclusions

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- **Higher order corrections to masses and trilinear self-couplings**

- ★ Crucial to properly interpret experimental data

- **SM-like Supersymmetric Higgs boson**

- ★ Possible at  $\sim 126$  GeV, can be either  $H_1$ ,  $H_2$
  - ★ In NMSSM with low fine-tuning
  - ★ Can accommodate enhanced diphoton width (and also the non-enhanced one)
  - ★ Signal can be built up by two Higgs bosons close in mass

- **Exotic decays**

- ★ Scenarios with  $H_2 \rightarrow H_1H_1$ ,  $H_2 \rightarrow A_1A_1$ ,  $H_2 \rightarrow \chi_1^0\chi_1^0$  decays
  - ★ Exotic final states:  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ,  $4b$ ,  $2b2\tau$ , ...

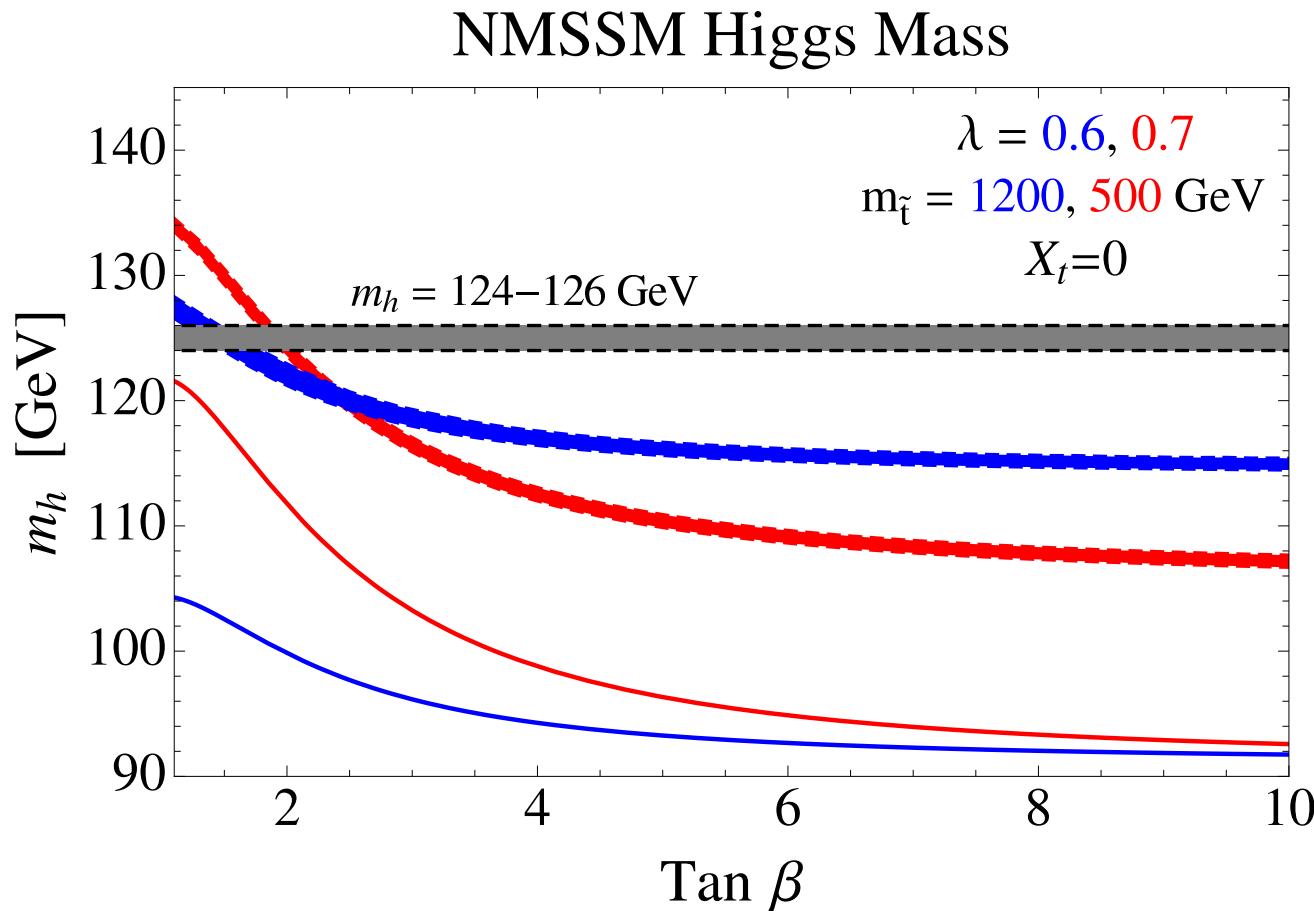
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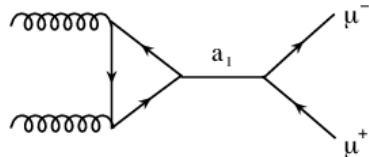
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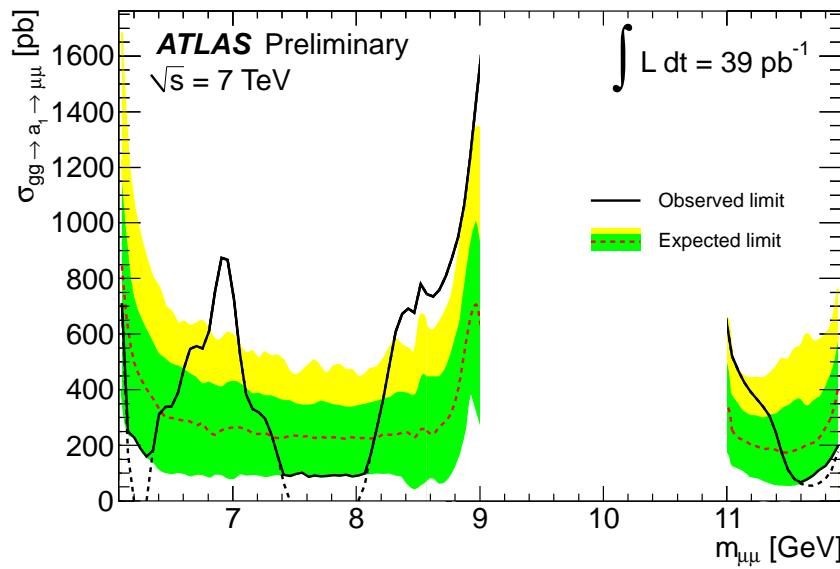


- ◊  $m_h$  maximized for small values of  $\tan \beta$
- ◊  $m_h \approx 126 \text{ GeV}$  can be achieved also for zero mixing  $X_t = 0$  and  $m_{\tilde{t}_1} \geq 500 \text{ GeV}$

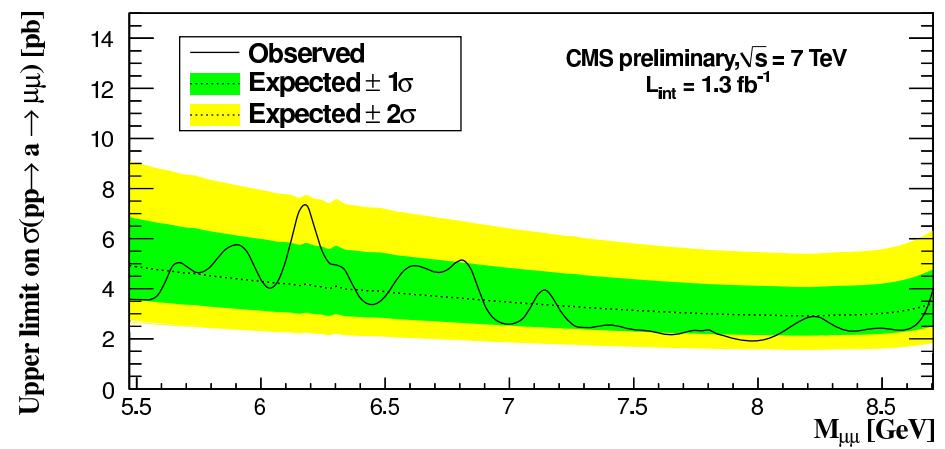
# Upper Limit on $\mathcal{NMSSM}$ $a_1$ Production



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## *Renormalisation Scheme*

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- **Mixed renormalisation scheme:**

$$\underbrace{M_Z, M_W, M_{H^\pm}, t_{h_u}, t_{h_d}, t_{h_s}, e}_{\text{on-shell scheme}}, \underbrace{\tan \beta, \lambda, v_s, \kappa, A_\kappa}_{\overline{\text{DR}} \text{ scheme}}$$

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- ◊ strong singlet-doublet mixing  $\rightsquigarrow$  reduced coupling to  $b\bar{b}$
- ◊  $\Delta_b$  corrections to  $h^{126 \text{ GeV}} b\bar{b}$  coupling

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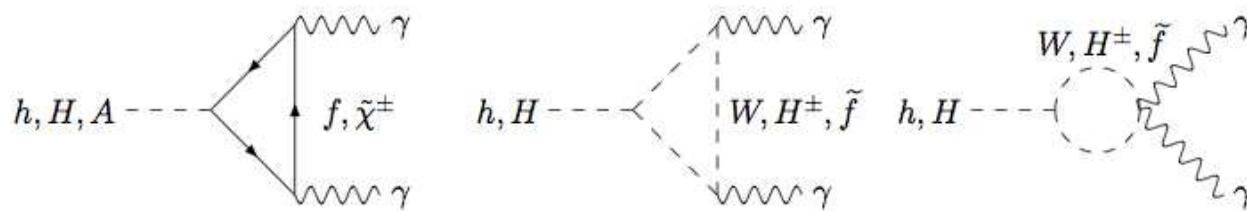
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- \* Enhanced  $\Gamma(h^{126 \text{ GeV}} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$  due to charged boson, chargino, stop loop contributions

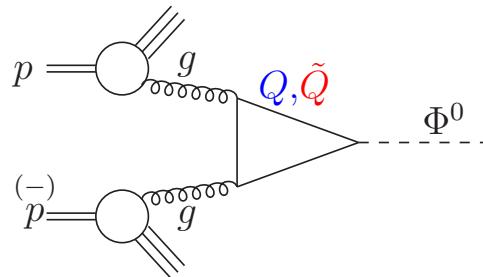


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## $\mathcal{NMSSM}$ Scalar Boson and Enhanced Diphoton Rate

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- Enhancement on the production side



- Enhanced gluon fusion production

See e.g. King, MMM, Nevzorov, Walz

- \* Stop, sbottom loop contributions in  $gg \rightarrow H_i$  can enhance the production cross section for small mixing
- \* Associated *slight* suppression in  $BR(h^{126\text{ GeV}} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$  compensated by charged boson, chargino loop contributions
- \*  $\Rightarrow$  overall enhanced production in  $\gamma\gamma$  final states,  $\mu_{\gamma\gamma} > 1$
- \* Couplings to  $WW, ZZ$  must be suppressed in this case  $\rightsquigarrow$  overall production in  $VV$  final states  $\approx$  SM-like,  $\mu_{ZZ, WW} \approx 1$

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- Constraints from comparison w/ experimental signal rates:

$$\mu_{XX}(h) \equiv R_\sigma(h) R_{XX}^{BR}(h) \quad \text{with} \quad R_\sigma(h) = \frac{\sigma_{\text{prod}}^{\text{NMSSM}}}{\sigma_{\text{prod}}^{\text{SM}}} \quad \text{and} \quad R_{XX}^{BR}(h) = \frac{BR_{XX}^{\text{NMSSM}}}{BR_{XX}^{\text{SM}}}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{prod}} = \sigma_{gg}^{\text{NNLO QCD}} + \sigma_{VV}^{\text{NNLO QCD}} + \sigma_{VH}^{\text{NNLO QCD}} + \sigma_{ttH}^{\text{NLO QCD}} \approx \sigma_{gg}^{\text{NNLO QCD}}$$

The NMSSM cxn  $\sigma_{gg}^{\text{NMSSM}}$  @ NNLO QCD can be obtained from modified version of HIGLU Spira

Note #1: EW corrections cannot be taken over from the SM or MSSM.

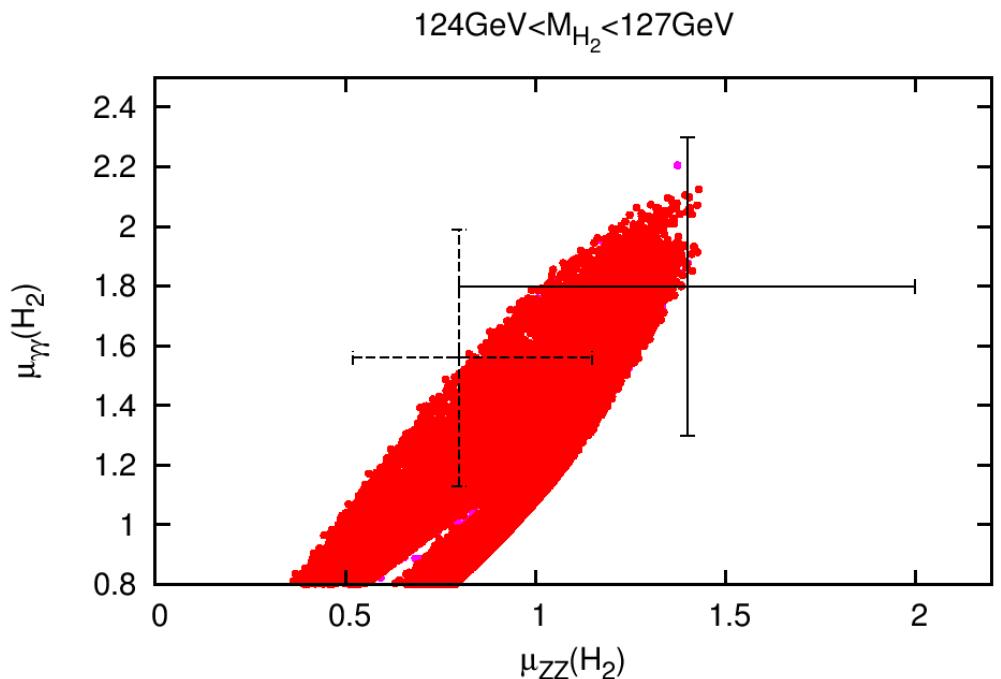
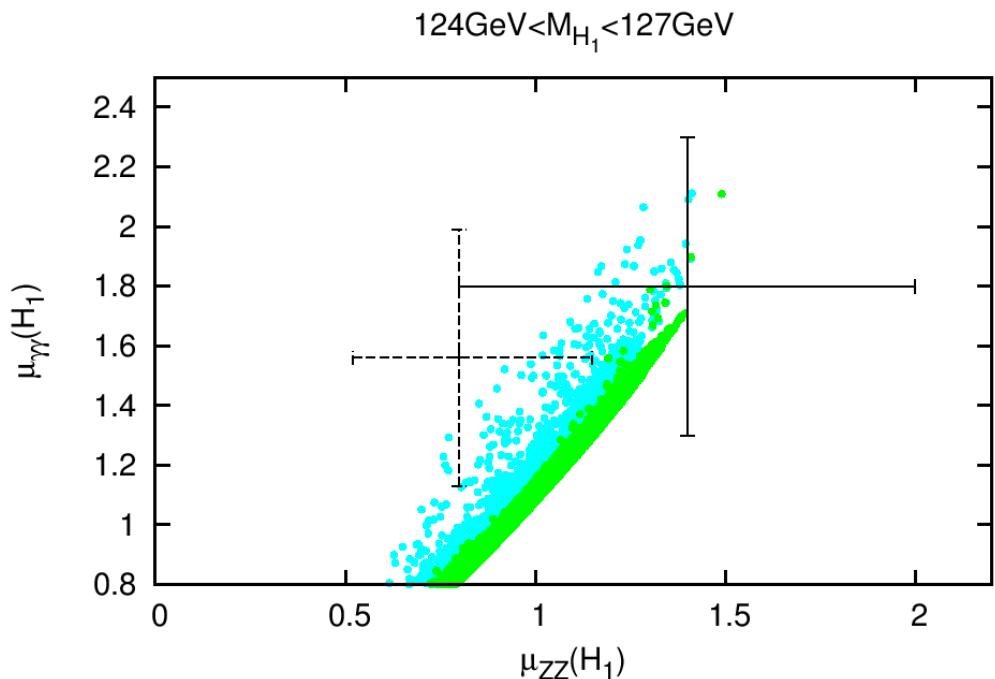
Note #2:  $R_{gg}(h)$  approximation by  $R_{\Gamma_{gg}}(h)$  at (N)NLO QCD has to be checked explicitly, can deviate!

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# $\mathcal{NMSSM}$ Scan - Pre-Moriond

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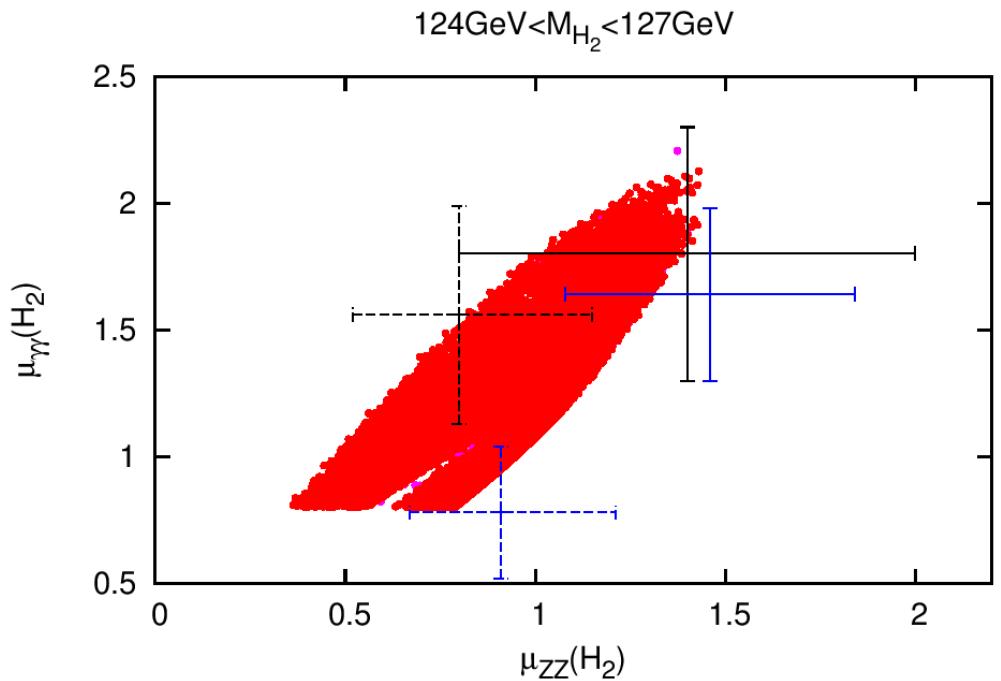
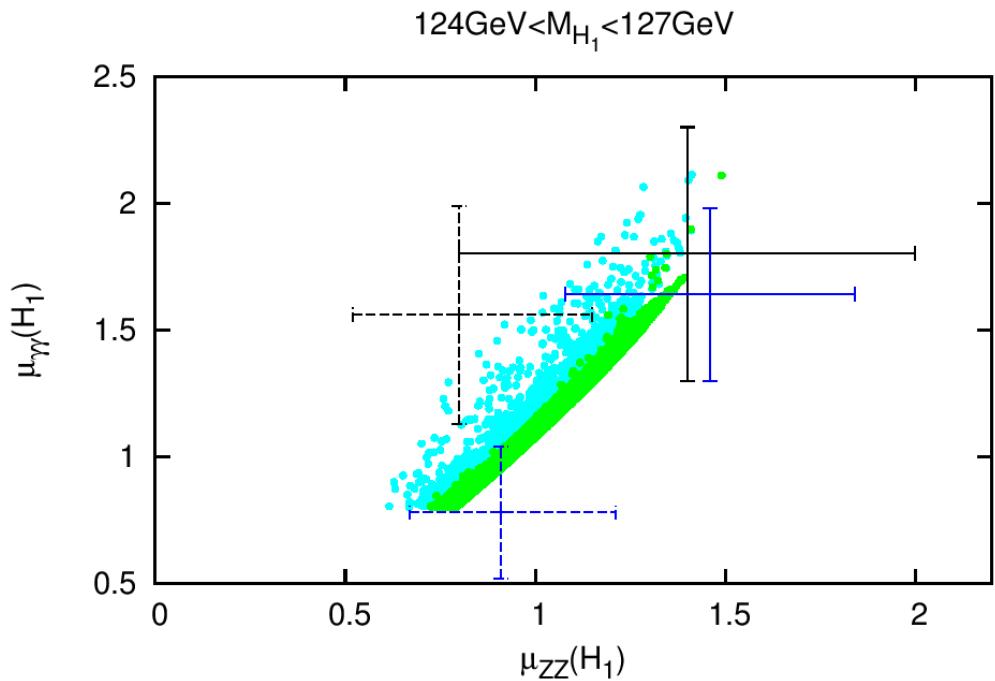
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## NMSSM Scan - After-Moriond

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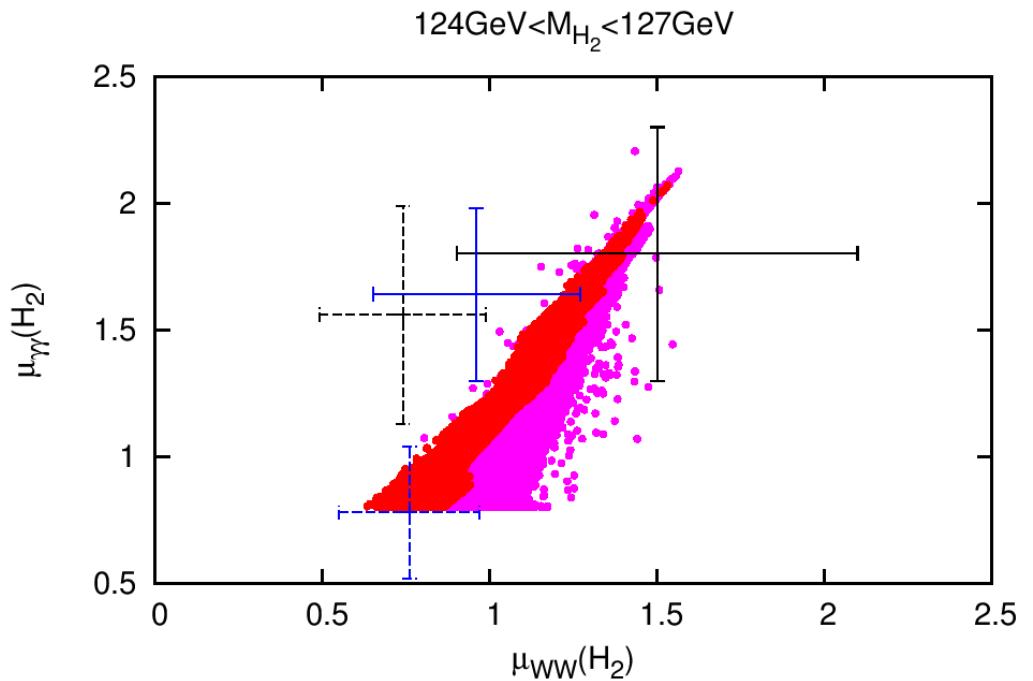
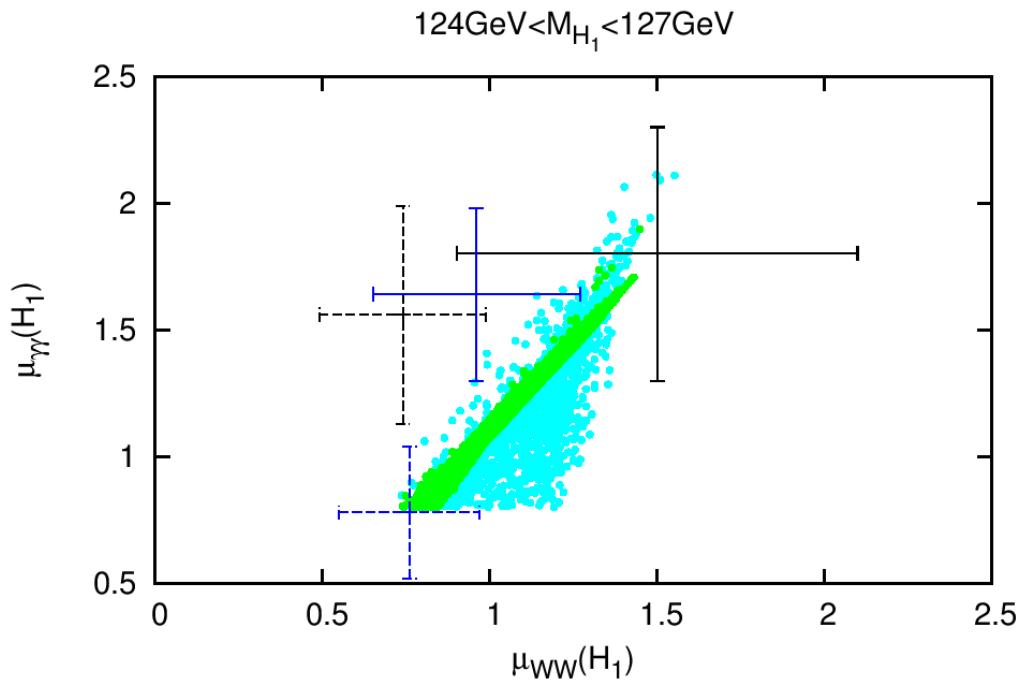
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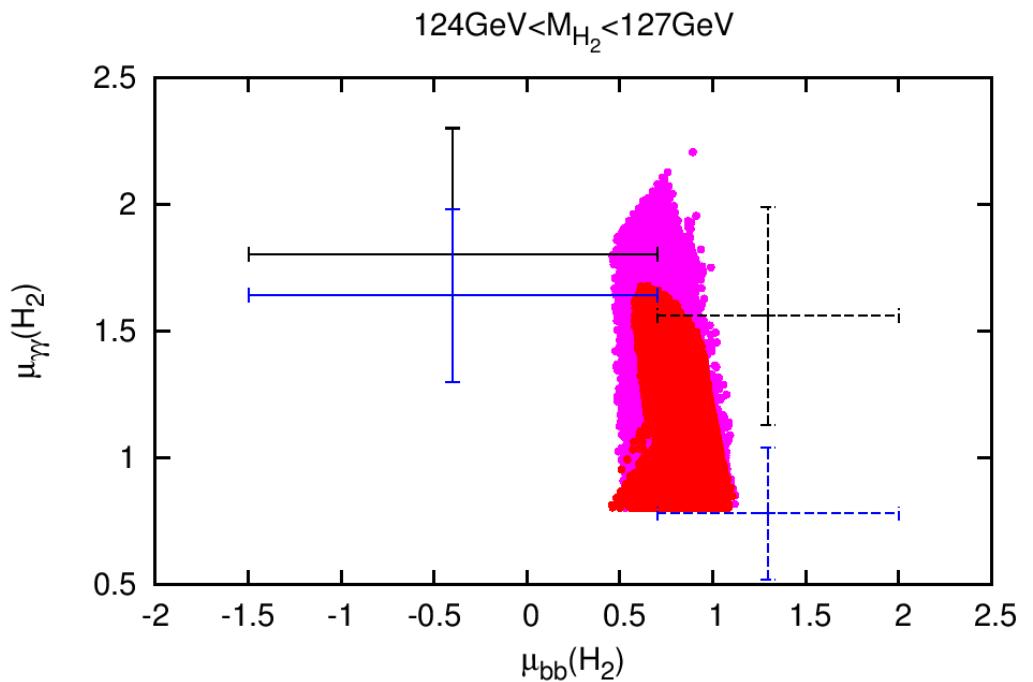
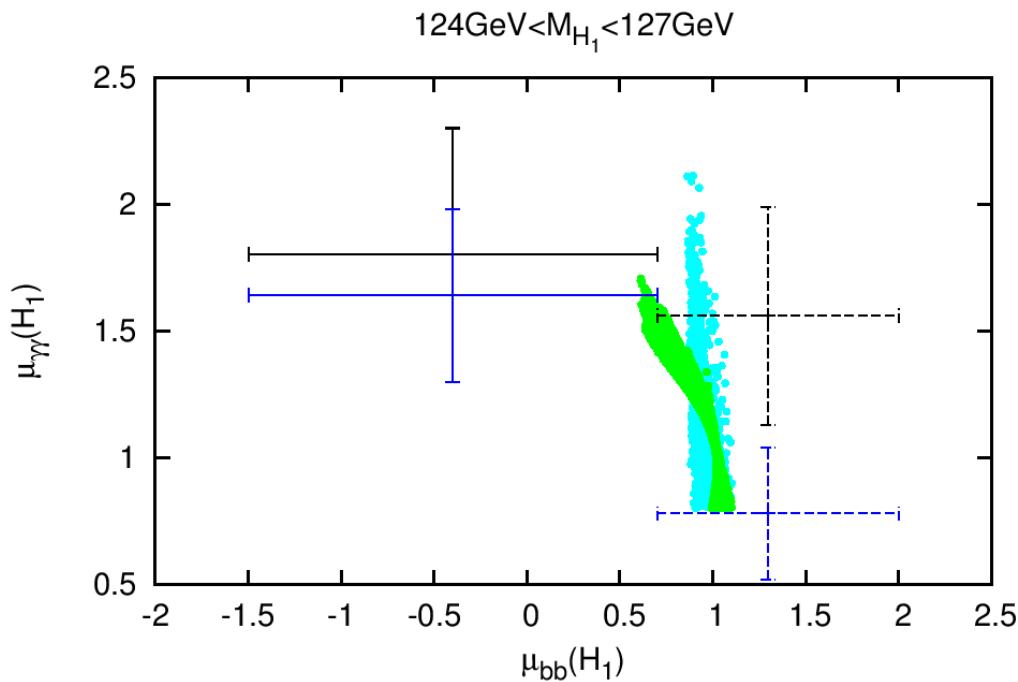
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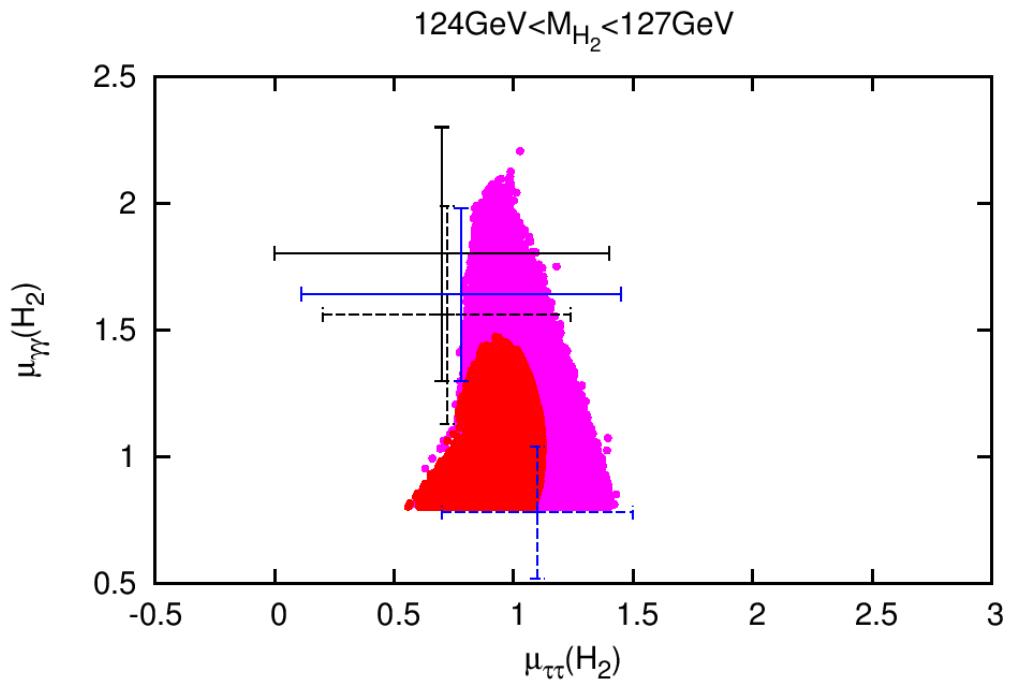
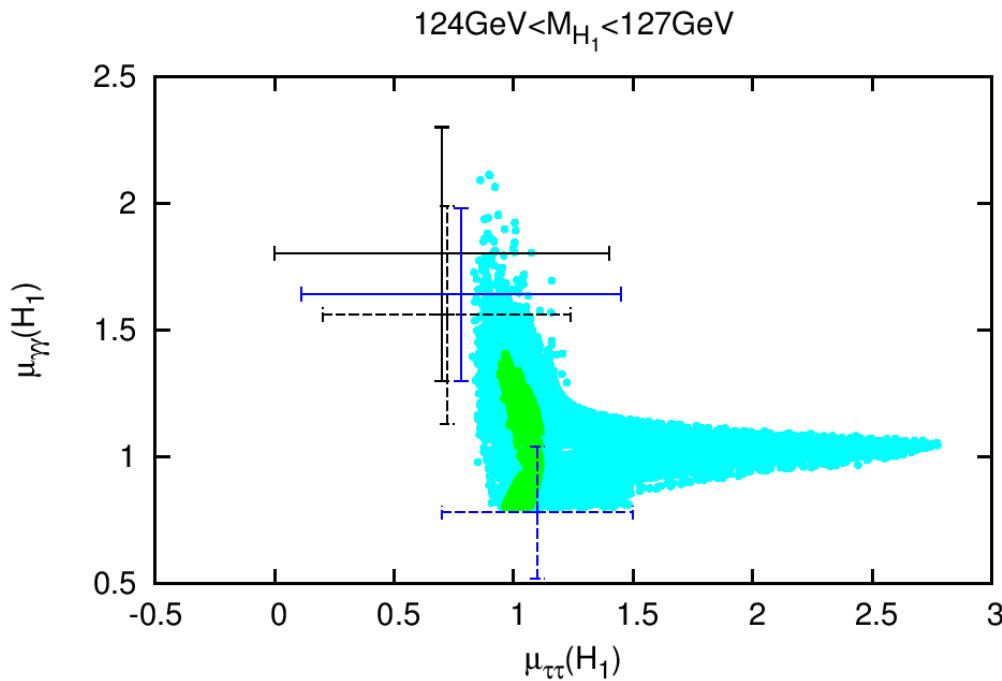
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## Superposition of Signal Rates

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$$R_{pp,H_i} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{incl}}^{\text{NMSSM}}}{\sigma_{\text{incl}}^{\text{SM}}} \cdot \frac{\text{BR}(H_i \rightarrow pp)^{\text{NMSSM}}}{\text{BR}(H_i \rightarrow pp)^{\text{SM}}} \quad \text{with } i = 1..5.$$

$$R_{pp,H_i}^{\text{recombined}} = \sum_{k=1}^5 R_{pp,H_k} \cdot \underbrace{\exp\left(\frac{-(M_{H_k} - M_{H_i})^2}{2(d_p \cdot M_{H_k})^2}\right)}_{F_p(M_{H_k})}$$

This weighting factor depends on the mass difference and on a factor  $d_p$  which is decay specific:

$p$	$\tau\tau$	$WW$	$bb$	$ZZ$	$\gamma\gamma$
$d_p$	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.02	0.02

