

SEARCHING FOR THE HIGGS BOSON

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- Collider searches for the Higgs
- Is it the SM Higgs boson?
- SUSY & other BSM Higgs sectors

Some recommended references

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II strong dynamics – strongly coupled

Technicolor, Extended Technicolor, Walking Technicolor, Stumbling Drunk Technicolor, ...
Topcolor-assisted technicolor (TC2)

BSM HIGGS PHENO WITHOUT BSM

BSM deviations to $\lambda, \tilde{\lambda}$ in SM

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Alternative effective theory for Higgs potential:

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{n=0} \frac{\lambda_n}{\Lambda^{2n}} \left(|\Phi|^2 - \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^{2+n}$$

so \mathcal{O}_2 corresponds to the $n = 1$ term in this expansion

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- Higgs mass altered: $M_H = 2\lambda v^2 \left(1 - f_1 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{f_2}{2\lambda} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)$

- VVH couplings altered:

$$\frac{1}{2} g^2 v \left(1 - \frac{f_1}{2} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) H W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} \quad \frac{1}{4} g^2 \left(1 - f_1 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) H H W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{g^2}{c_W} v \left(1 - \frac{f_1}{2} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) H Z_\mu Z^\mu \quad \frac{1}{4} \frac{g^2}{c_W} \left(1 - f_1 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) H H Z_\mu Z^\mu$$

- 3,4-pt. self-couplings modified:

$$\lambda_{3H} = -i \frac{3m_H^2}{v} \left[\left(1 - \frac{f_1}{2} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{2f_2}{3} \frac{v^2}{M_H^2} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) + \frac{2f_1}{3M_H^2} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \sum_{i < j}^3 p_i \cdot p_j \right]$$

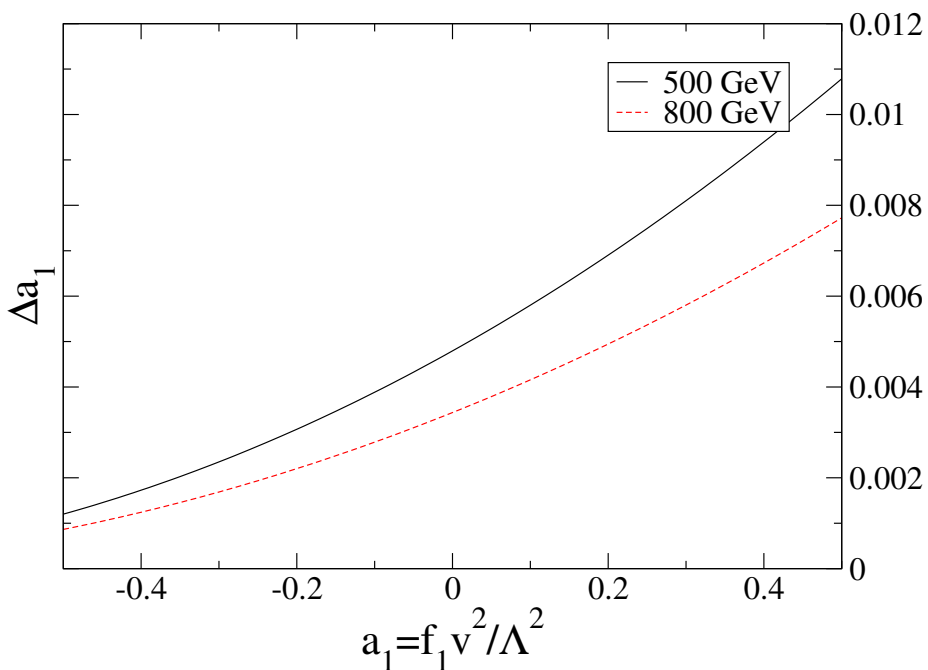
$$\lambda_{4H} = -i \frac{3m_H^2}{v^2} \left[\left(1 - f_1 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} + 4f_2 \frac{v^2}{M_H^2} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) + \frac{2f_1}{3M_H^2} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \sum_{i < j}^4 p_i \cdot p_j \right]$$

→ note momentum dependence from \mathcal{O}_1 operator

► phenomenological analyses exist only for ILC (and CLIC)

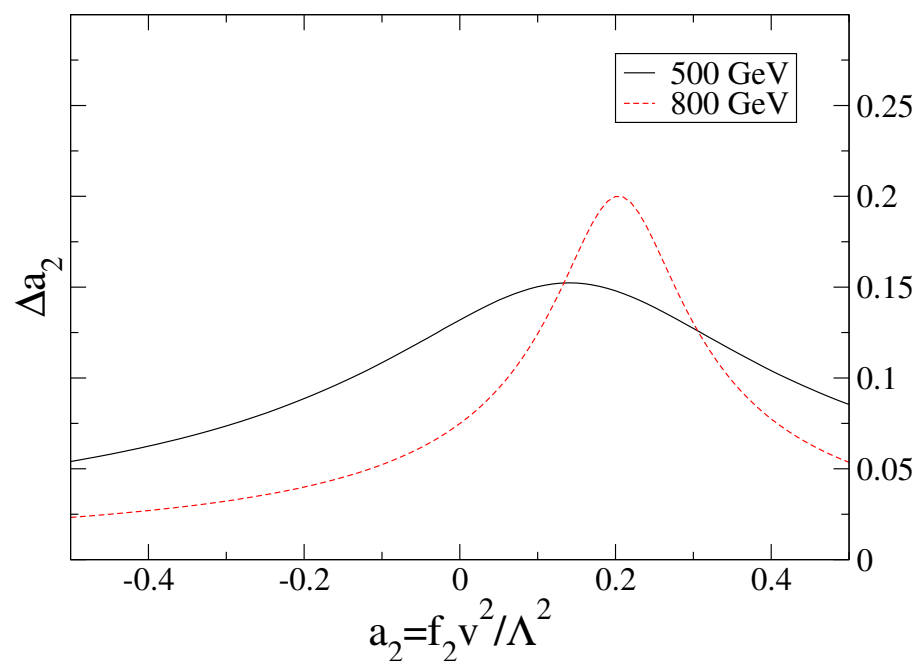
From $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH$:

a_1 Error



From $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZHH, \nu\bar{\nu}HH$:

a_2 Error



For $f_1 = 1$, Δa_1 corresponds to $\Lambda \sim 4$ TeV

For $f_2 = 1$, Δa_2 corresponds to $\Lambda \sim 0.8$ TeV

Dimension-6 (D6) operators with Higgs, fermion and gauge fields

$$O_{d\phi} = (\phi^\dagger \phi)(\bar{q}d\phi)$$

$$O_{\phi q}^{(1)} = i(\phi^\dagger D_\mu \phi)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu q)$$

$$O_{\phi q}^{(3)} = i(\phi^\dagger D_\mu \sigma^i \phi)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu \sigma^i q)$$

$$O_{\phi d} = i(\phi^\dagger D_\mu \phi)(\bar{d}\gamma^\mu d)$$

$$O_{\phi\phi} = i(\phi^\dagger \epsilon D_\mu \phi)(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu d)$$

$$O_{Dd} = (\bar{q}D_\mu d)D^\mu \phi$$

$$O_{\bar{D}d} = (D_\mu \bar{q}d)D^\mu \phi$$

$$O_{dW} = (\bar{q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} \sigma^i d)\phi W_{\mu\nu}^i$$

$$O_{dB} = (\bar{q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} d)\phi B_{\mu\nu}$$

- some constrained by $Zb\bar{b}, \gamma b\bar{b}$ coups
- others would give interesting rare decays: $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}Z, b\bar{b}\gamma, \dots$

► phenomenology not really studied

D6 operators with Higgs and gauge fields

$$O_{WW} = (\phi^\dagger \phi) \left[W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} W_{\mu\nu}^3 W^{3\mu\nu} \right]$$

$$O_{BB} = (\phi^\dagger \phi) B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

$$O_{BW} = B^{\mu\nu} \left[(\phi^\dagger \sigma^3 \phi) W_{\mu\nu}^3 + \sqrt{2} \left[(\phi^\dagger T^+ \phi) W_{\mu\nu}^+ + (\phi^\dagger T^- \phi) W_{\mu\nu}^- \right] \right]$$

$$O_W = (D^\mu \phi)^\dagger \left[\sigma^3 (D^\nu \phi) W_{\mu\nu}^3 + \sqrt{2} \left[T^+ (D^\nu \phi) W_{\mu\nu}^+ + T^- (D^\nu \phi) W_{\mu\nu}^- \right] \right]$$

$$O_B = (D^\mu \phi)^\dagger (D^\nu \phi) B_{\mu\nu}$$

$$O_{\Phi,1} = (D_\mu \phi)^\dagger \phi \phi^\dagger (D^\mu \phi)$$

→ give anomalous momentum-dependent $HHVV$ vertices

But highly constrained by S, ρ, g_{VVV}

(Note: no updates past '98)

2HDMs AND THE MSSM

Overview of 2HDMs

Here, assume CP conservation is exact (both vevs real).

Five physical states: h, H, A, H^\pm (2 CP-even; 1 CP-odd; charged)

Four types exist, depending on how Φ_1 and Φ_2 couple to fermions:

- I only Φ_2 couples to fermions
- II Φ_1 couples to down-type, Φ_2 to up-type fermions
- III Φ_1 couples to down quarks, Φ_2 to up quarks and down leptons
- IV Φ_1 couples to quark, Φ_2 to leptons

Vevs parameterized by $\tan \beta = \frac{v_2}{v_1}$; to solve unitarity, $v_1^2 + v_2^2 \equiv v^2$ (from G_F)

$$\text{Recall: } \begin{cases} h &= \sqrt{2} [-(\text{Re}\phi_1^0 - v_1) \sin \alpha + (\text{Re}\phi_2^0 - v_2) \cos \alpha] \\ H &= \sqrt{2} [(\text{Re}\phi_1^0 - v_1) \cos \alpha + (\text{Re}\phi_2^0 - v_2) \sin \alpha] \end{cases}$$

Phenomenologically, Higgs sector defined by $\alpha, \tan \beta$, potential param's.

· in many models, masses defined by M_A & M_Z

Overview of 2HDMs

General coupling structure of 2HDMs:

Type I model:

Φ	$\frac{g_{\Phi u\bar{u}}}{g_f}$	$\frac{g_{\Phi d\bar{d}}}{g_f}$	$\frac{g_{\Phi VV}}{g_V}$	$\frac{g_{\Phi ZA}}{g_V}$
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$$g_{H-U\bar{D}} = \frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}M_W} [m_U \cot \beta (1 + \gamma_5) - m_D \cot \beta (1 - \gamma_5)]$$

Type II model:
(MSSM)

Φ	$\frac{g_{\Phi u\bar{u}}}{g_f}$	$\frac{g_{\Phi d\bar{d}}}{g_f}$	$\frac{g_{\Phi VV}}{g_V}$	$\frac{g_{\Phi ZA}}{g_V}$
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Types III & IV induce FCNC's – highly constrained \therefore not usually studied

→ let's study the MSSM 2HDM, since SUSY is so well-motivated

Review: Higgs masses in the MSSM

Pseudoscalar: M_A is an input! Others are $\tan \beta$, M_S (SUSY scale), A_t

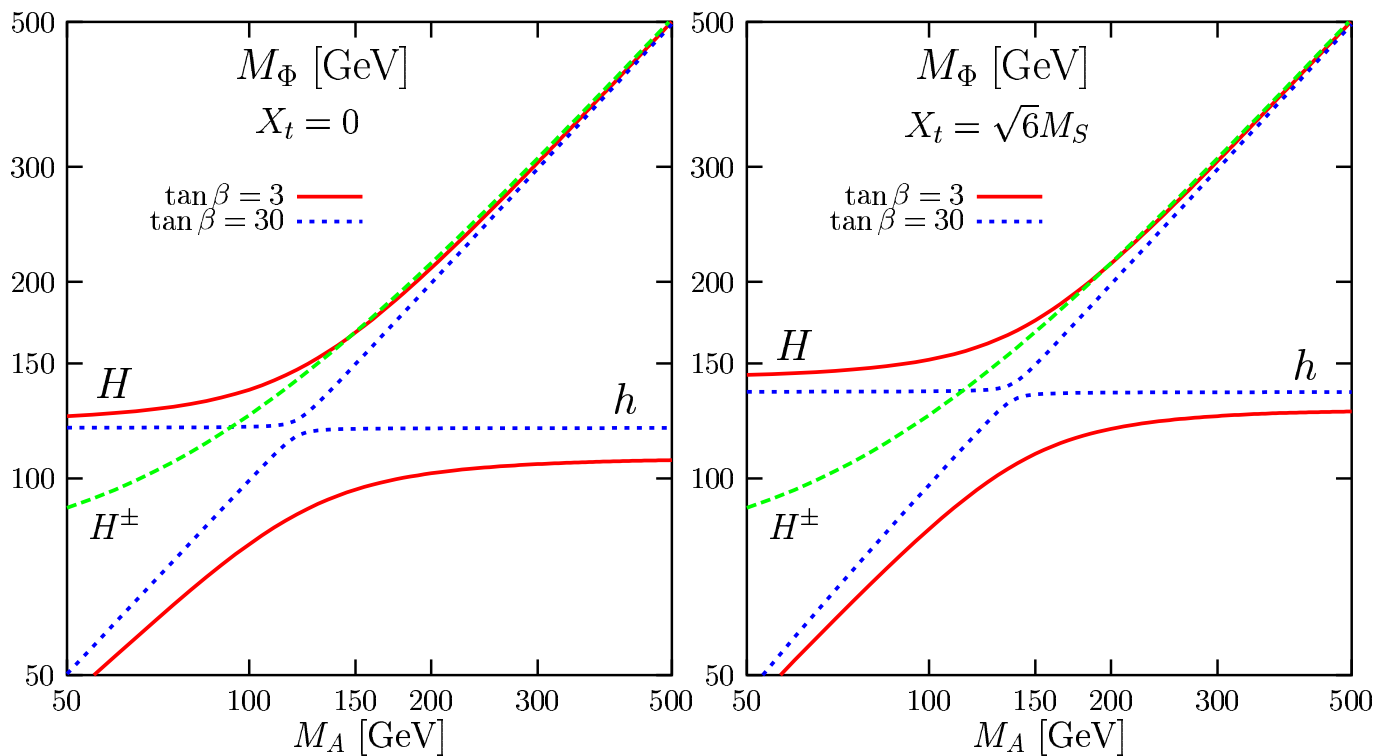
$$M_{H,h}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(M_A^2 + M_Z^2 \pm \sqrt{(M_A^2 + M_Z^2)^2 + 4M_A^2 M_Z^2 \sin^2(2\beta)} \right) + \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \sin^2 \beta Y_t^2 m_t^2 \left[\log \frac{M_S^2}{m_t^2} + \frac{X_t^2}{M_S^2} \left(1 - \frac{X_t^2}{12M_S^2} \right) \right] \quad \text{for } M_h \text{ only}$$

Charged Higgs:

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

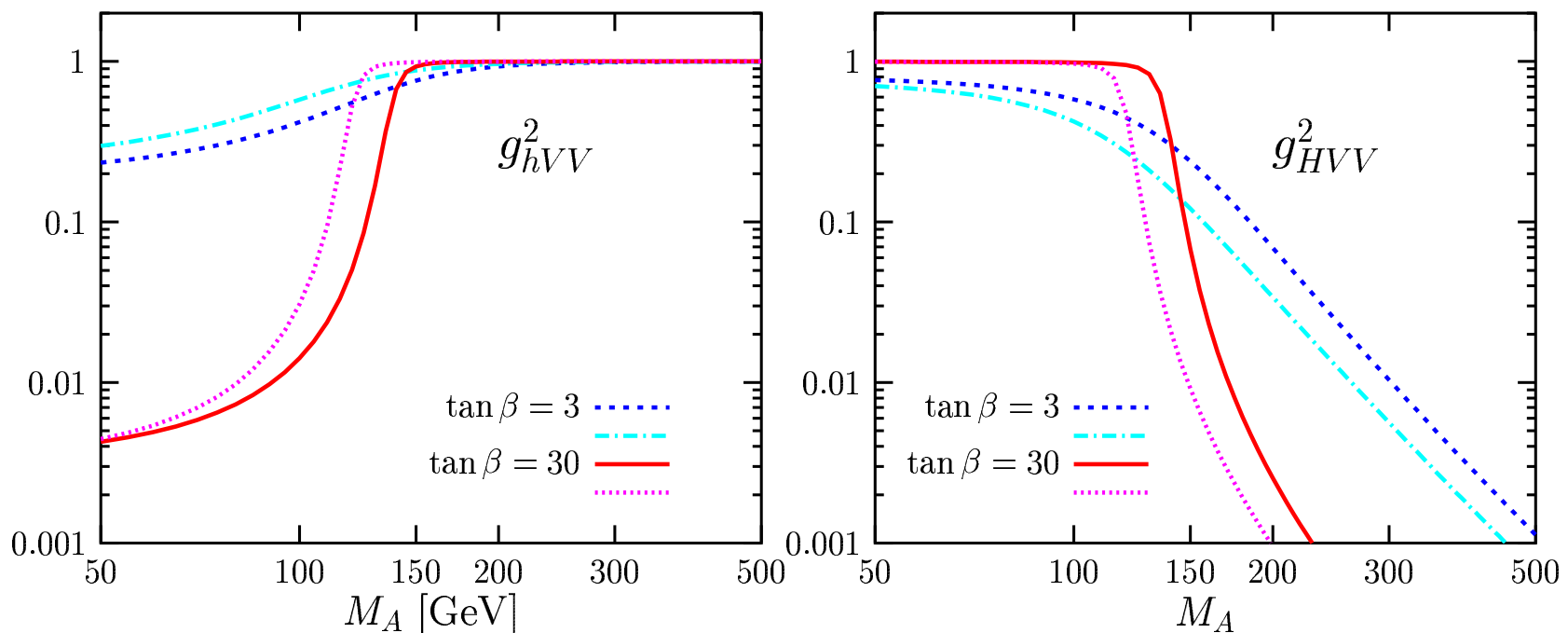
Note: $M_{H^\pm, H}$ track

M_A for large values.



- “transition region” for moderate M_A
- “decoupling” for large M_A

Couplings also have decoupling and transition regions



Important sum rule:

$$g_{hVV}^2 + g_{HVV}^2 = g_{HVV,SM}^2$$

► required to preserve $VV \rightarrow VV$ unitarity cancellation!

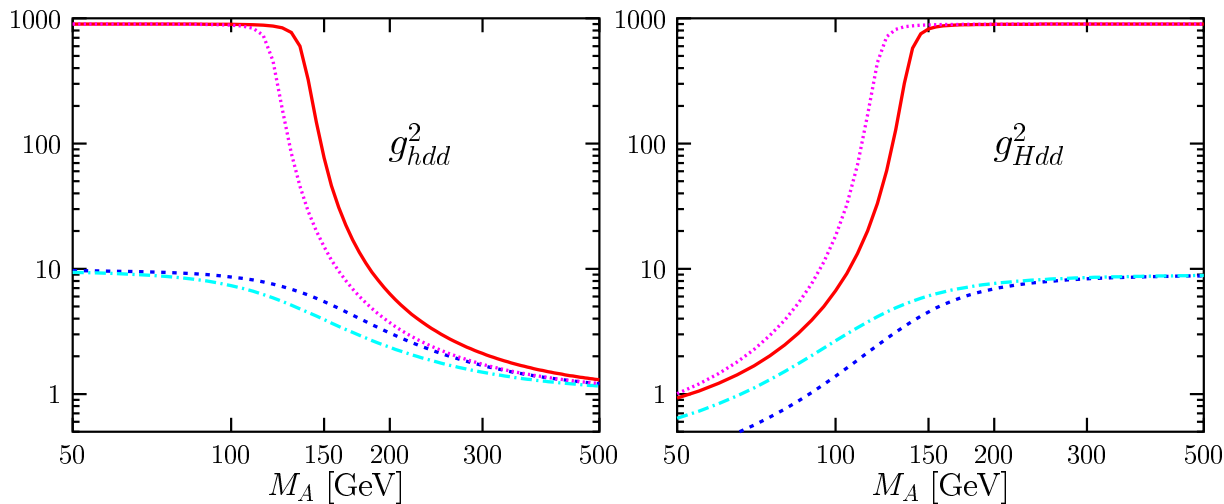
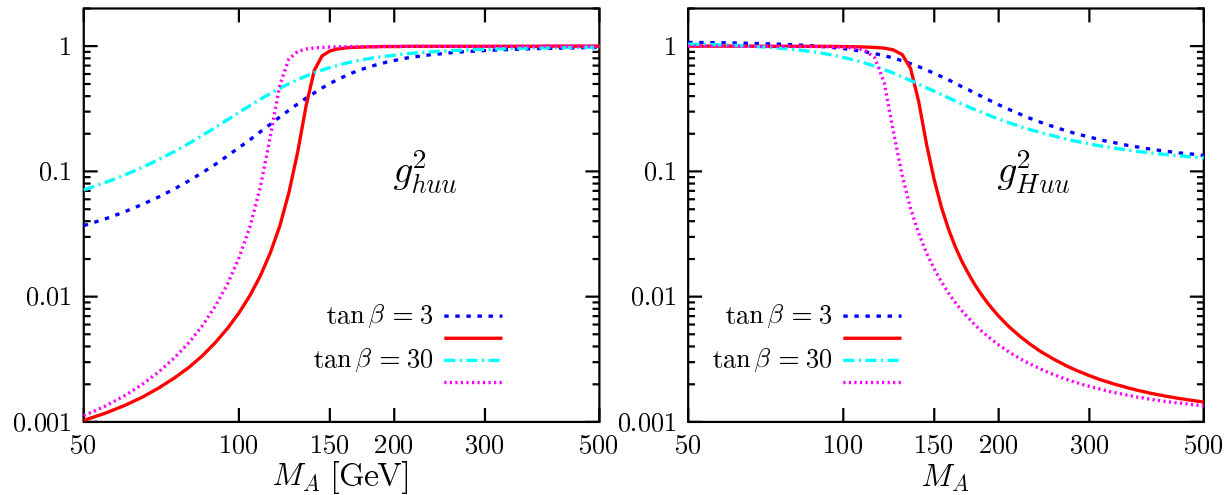
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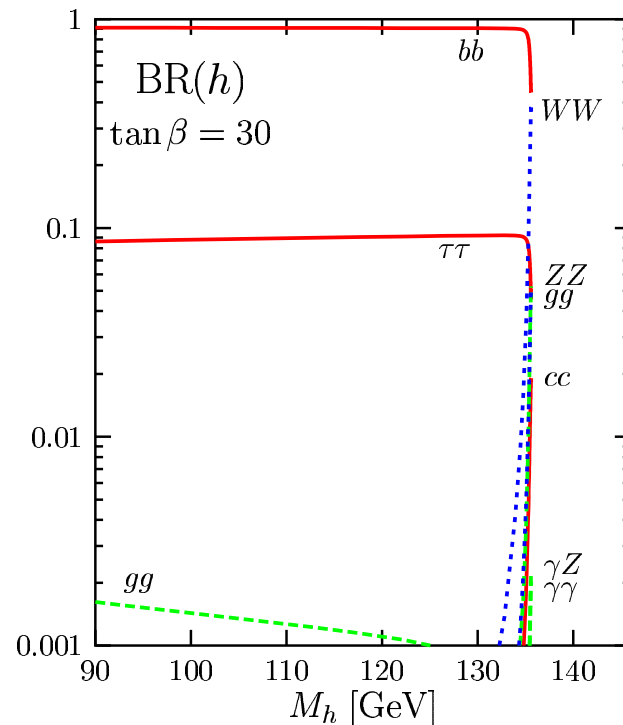
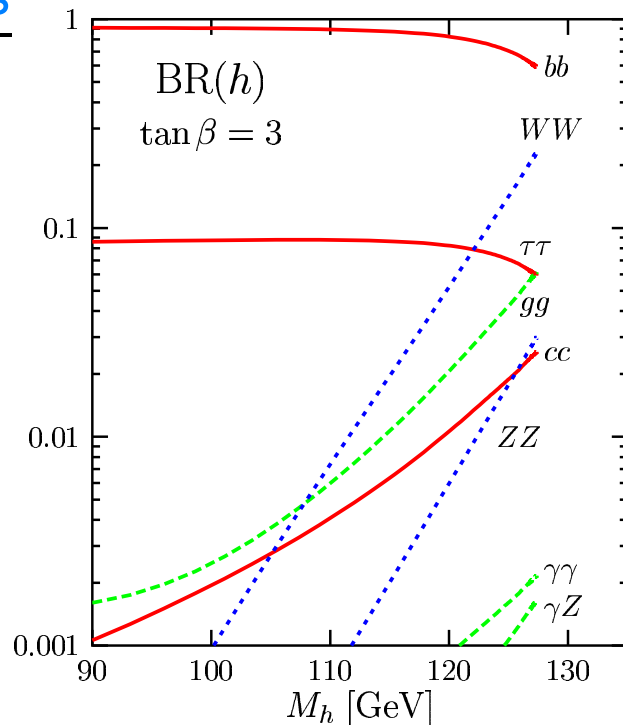
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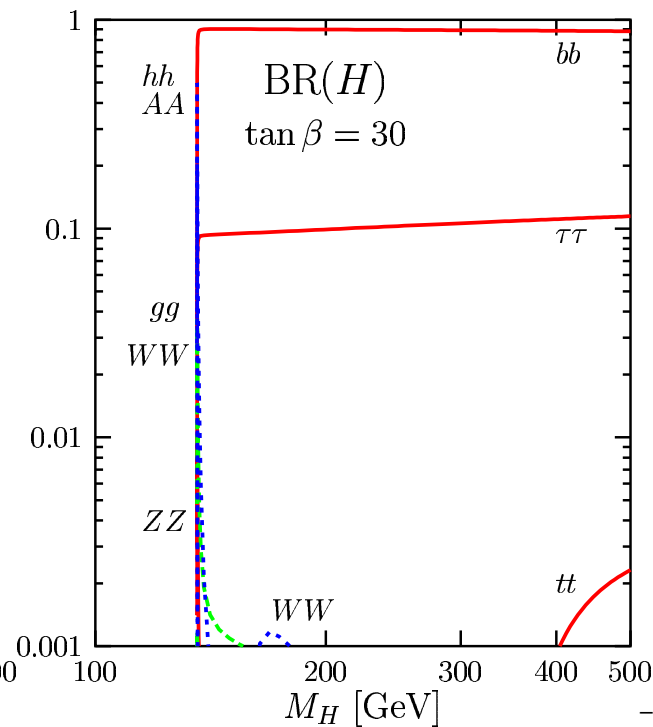
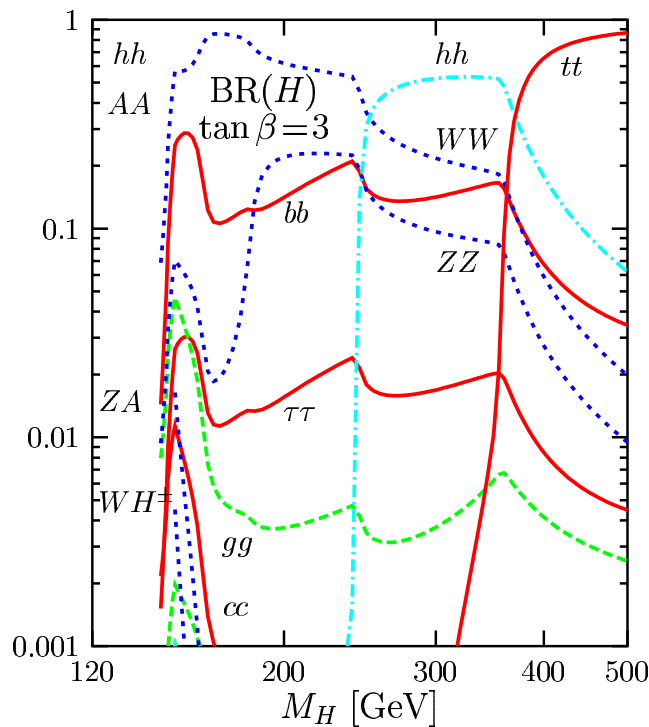


CP-even branching ratios

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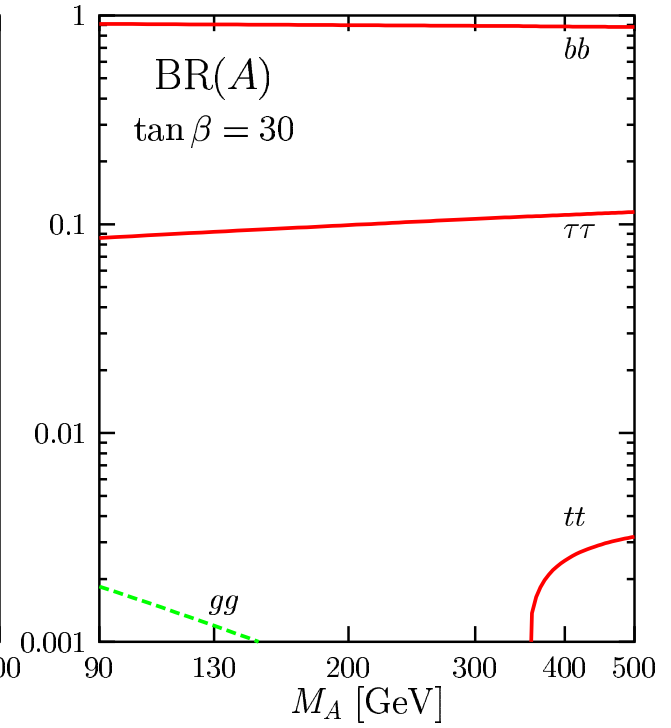
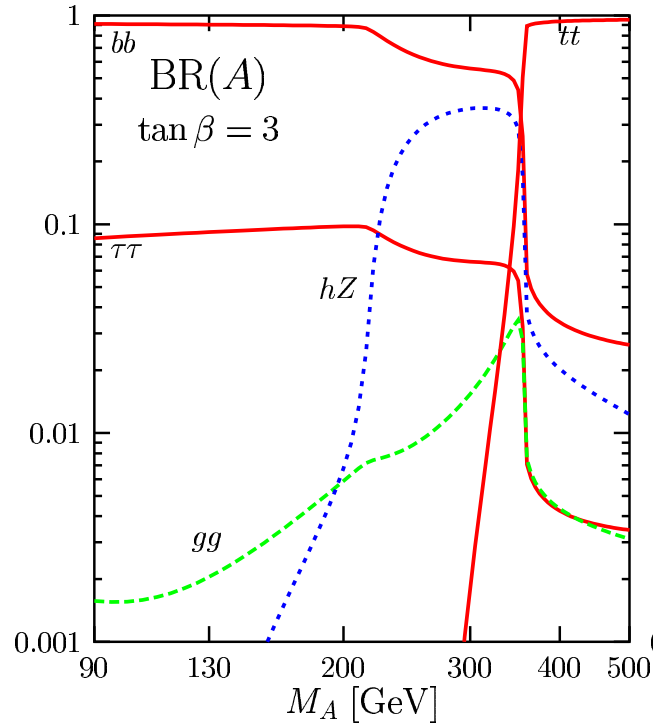


H has $f_d \bar{f}_d$ enhancement
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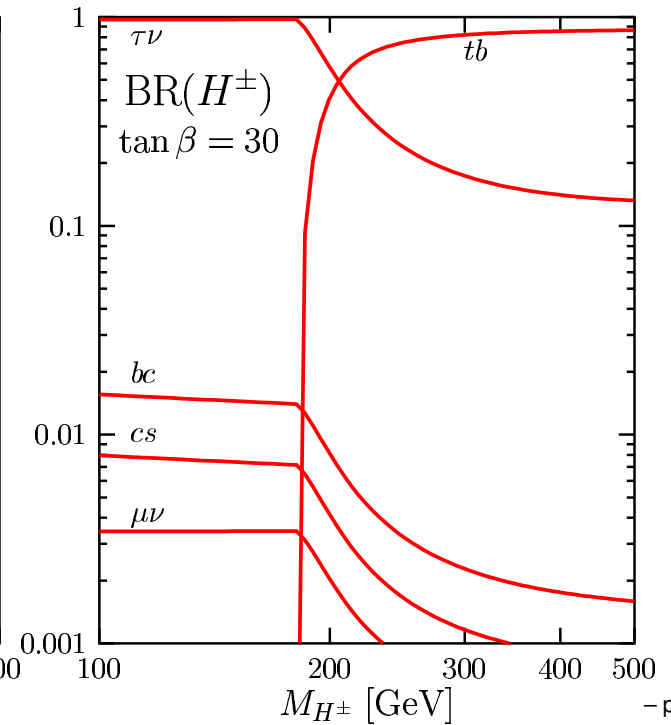
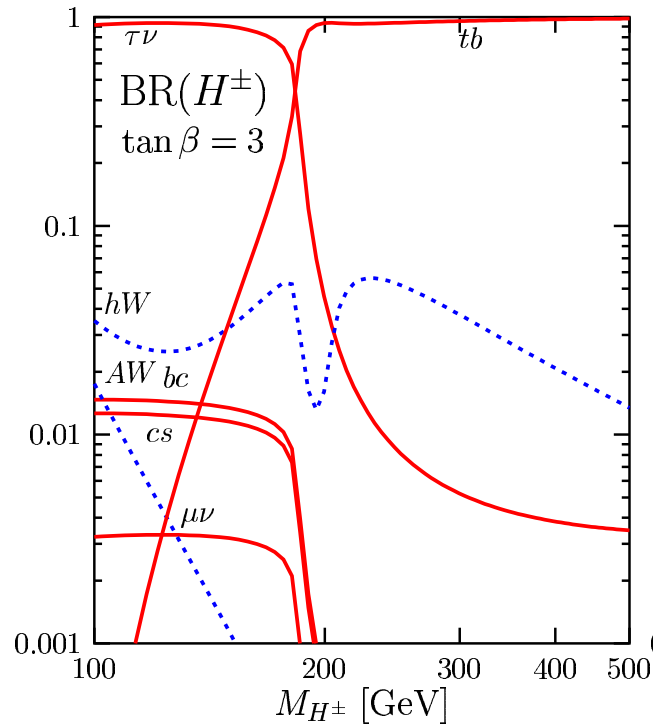
A, H^\pm branching ratios

A has $f_d \bar{f}_d$ enhancement at large $\tan \beta$ for all M_A



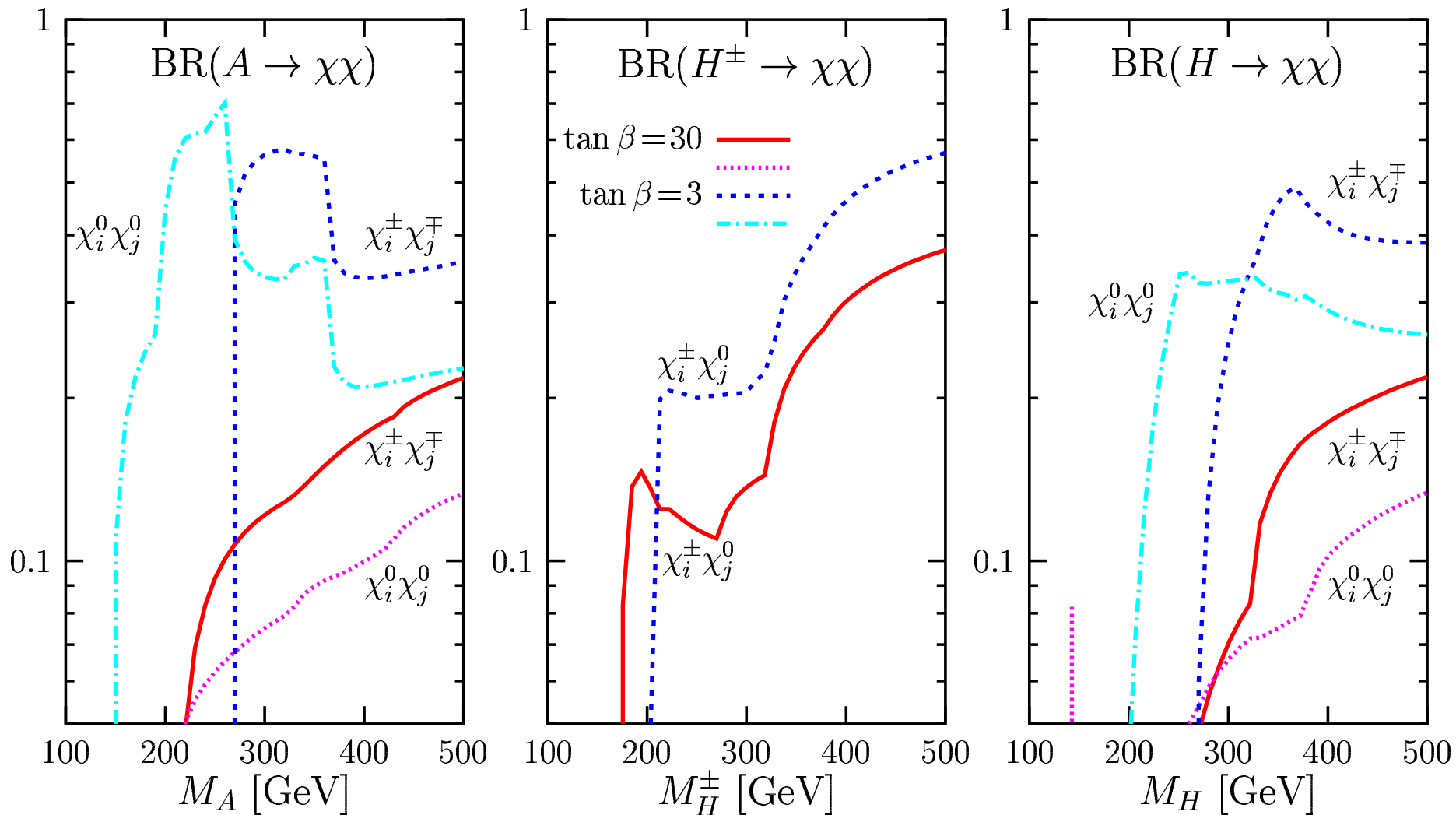
H^\pm decay to:

- hW^\pm only at small $\tan \beta$
- $\tau\nu$ at low mass
- tb at high mass

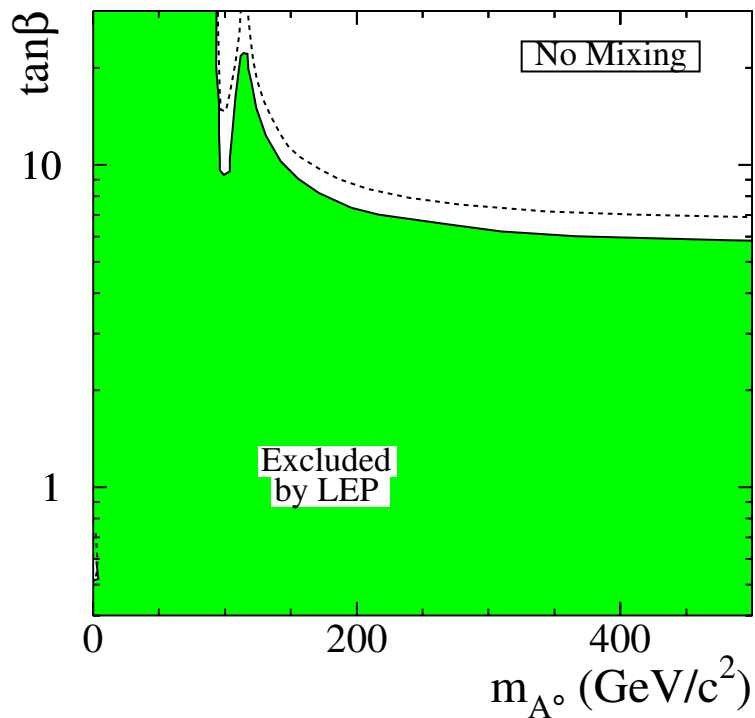
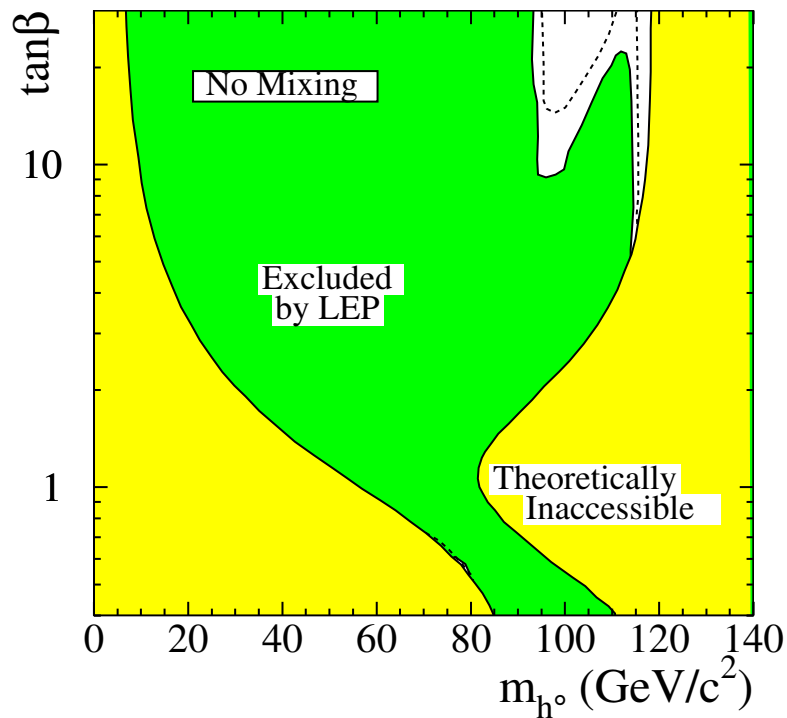
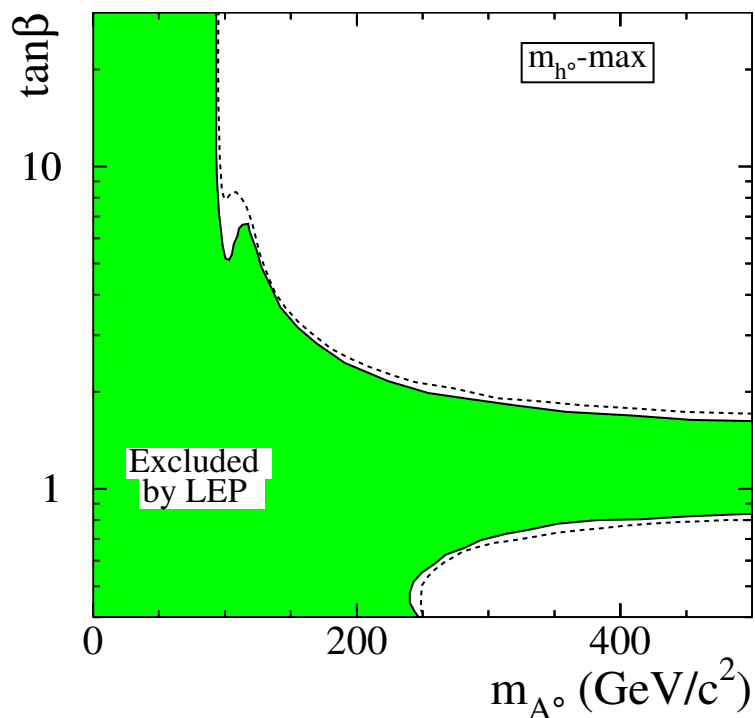
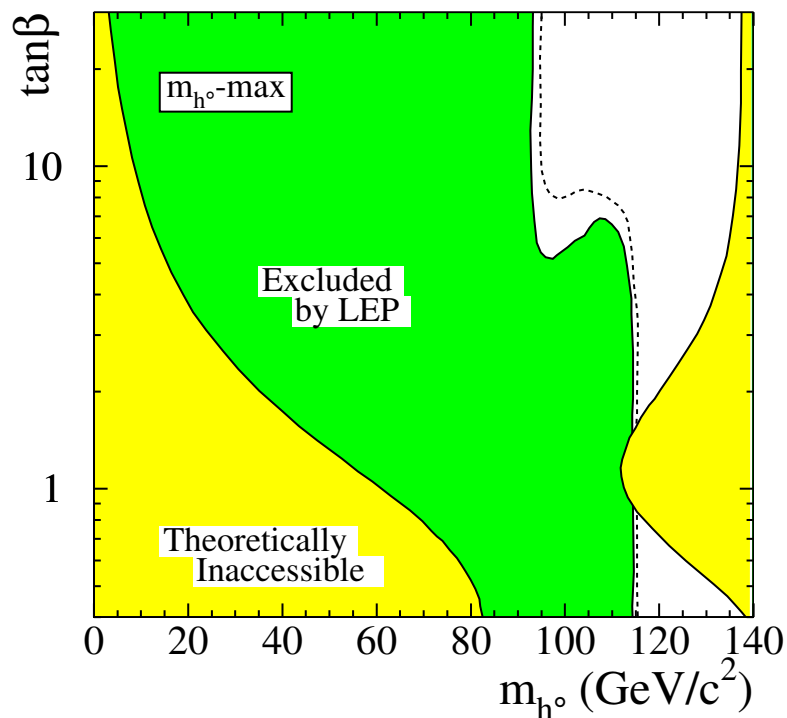


BR's to SUSY particles

Higgses can decay to SUSY pairs if light:

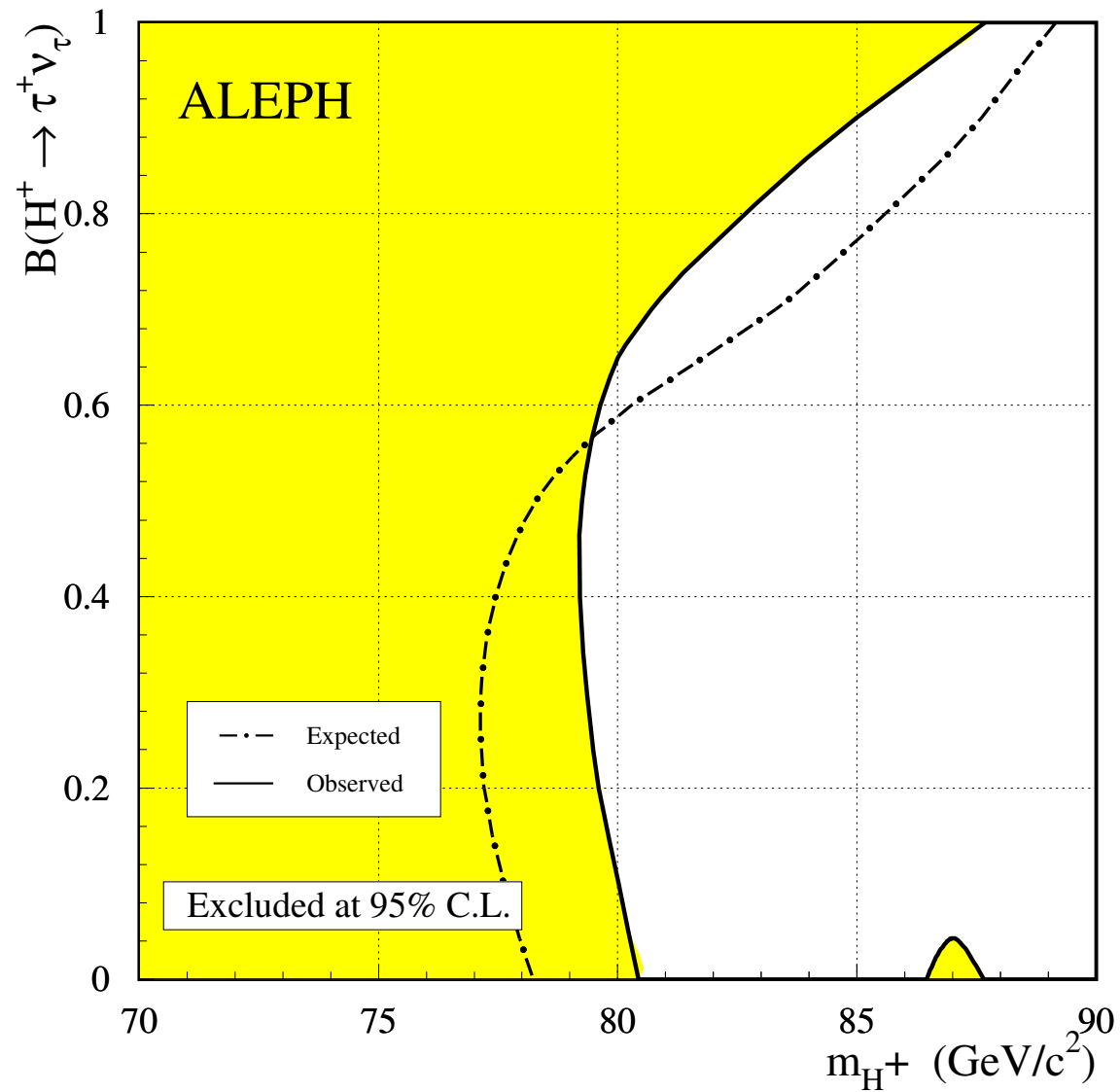


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LEP's charged Higgs search was much less model-dependent:



Some notes on LHC MSSM Higgs production

Lest ye suffer from Plot Overload...

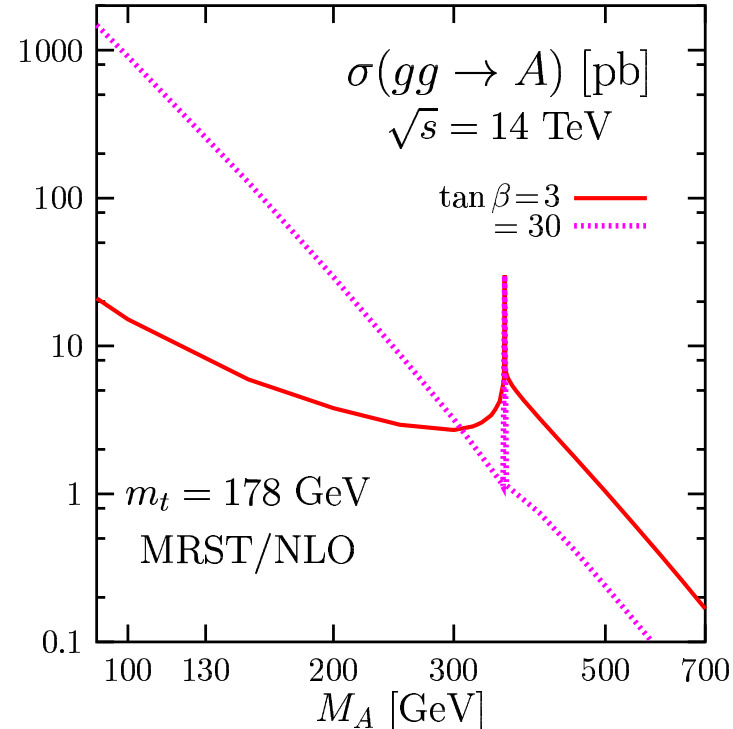
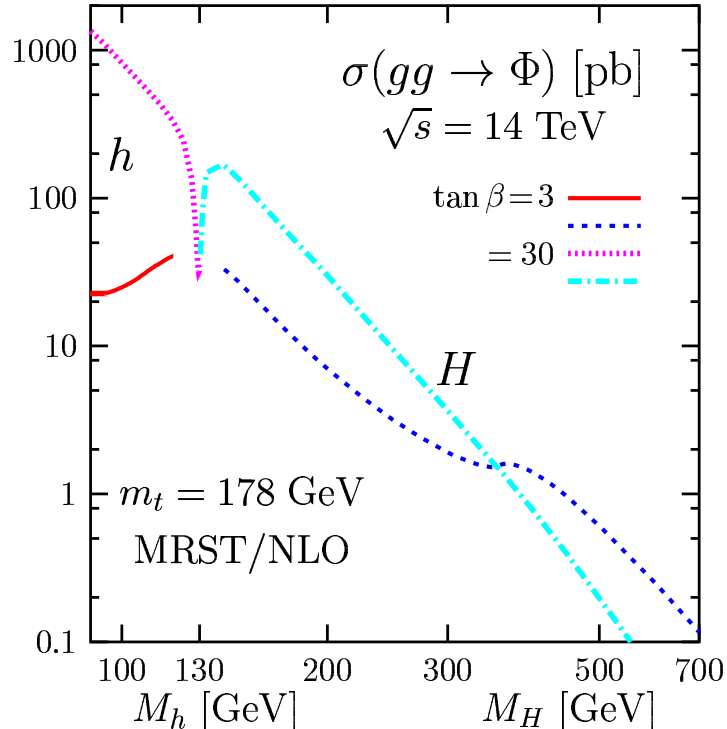
1. WBF and VH cross sections can only go *down*

→ $\sin^2(\beta - \alpha)$, $\cos^2(\beta - \alpha)$ suppression for h, H

2. $t\bar{t}\phi$ rates about same as SM for equivalent mass

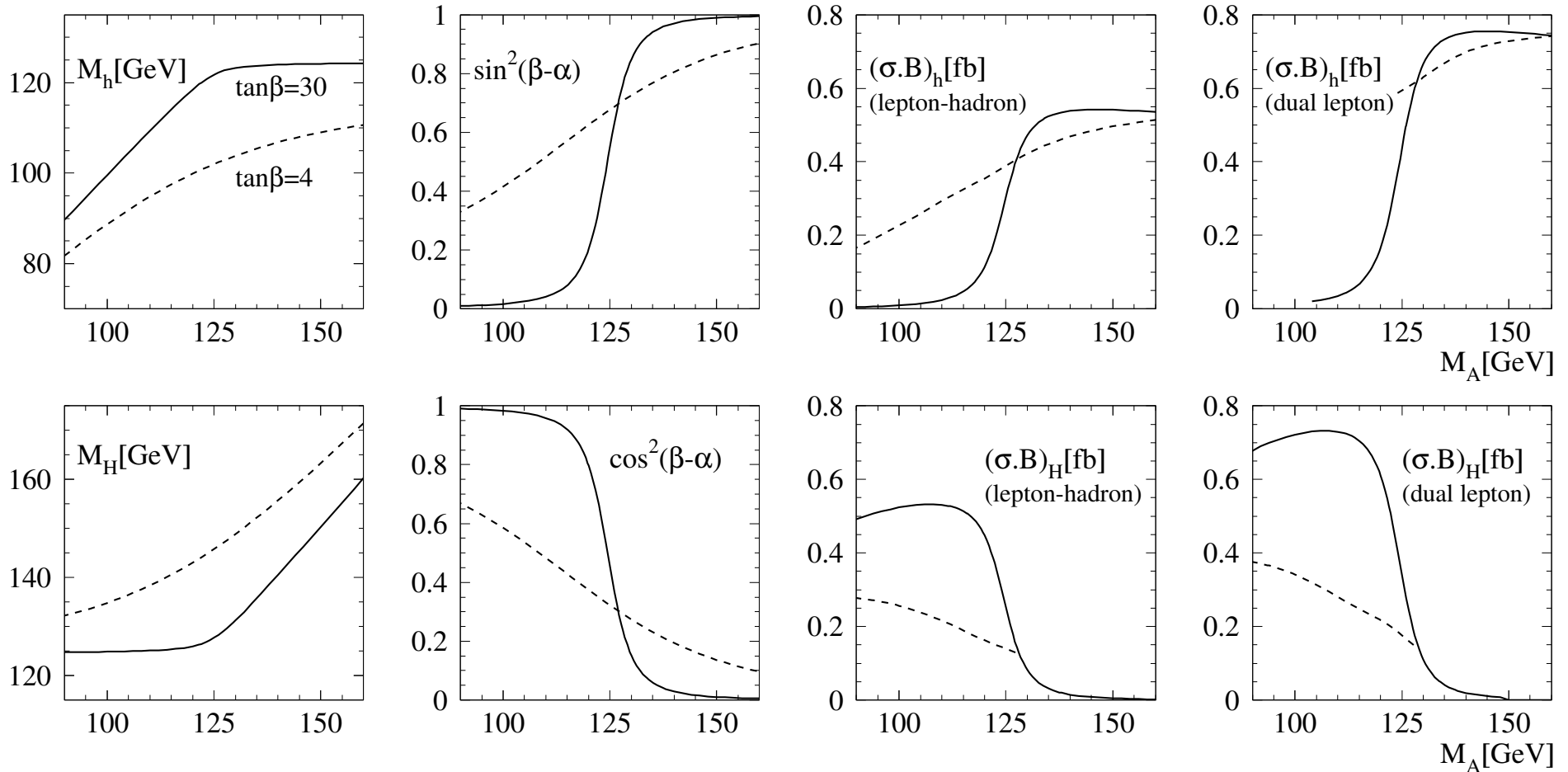
3. $b\bar{b}\phi$ rates become very important for large $\tan\beta$

4. $pp \rightarrow \phi$ rates can alter dramatically; b loop extremely important



Back to h, H mass and coupling behavior in the MSSM

Right-hand $\sigma \cdot B$ plots for WBF $H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ at LHC



- for large M_A , M_H tracks M_A and M_h plateaus – in “good” region
- for small M_A , M_h tracks M_A and M_H plateaus – in “good” region
- the Higgs which tracks M_A decouples from W, Z

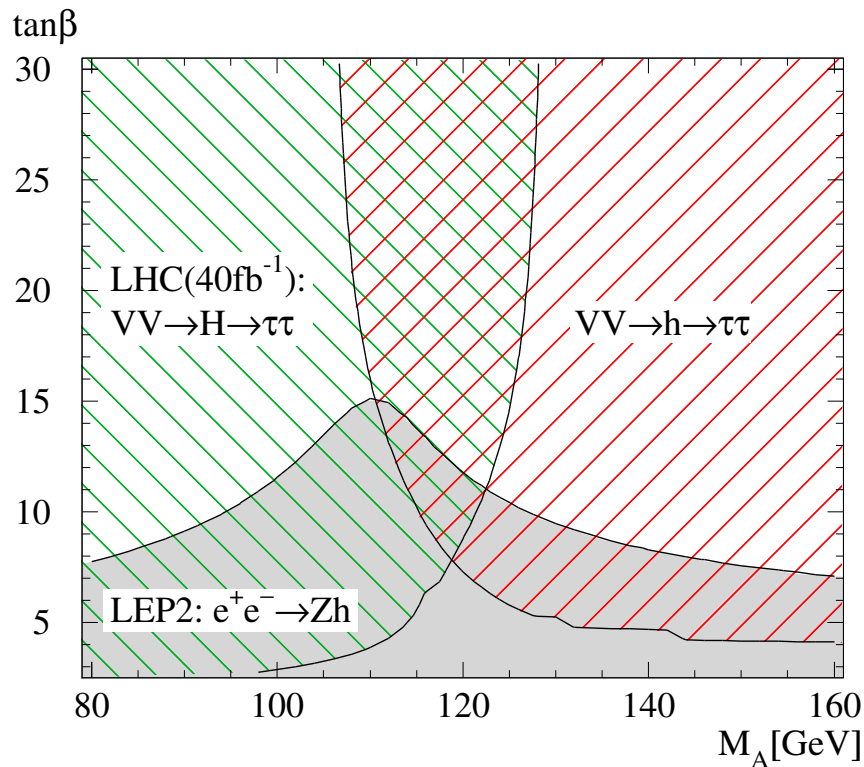
WBF Higgs production at LHC looks extremely important.

MSSM Higgs No-Lose Theorem

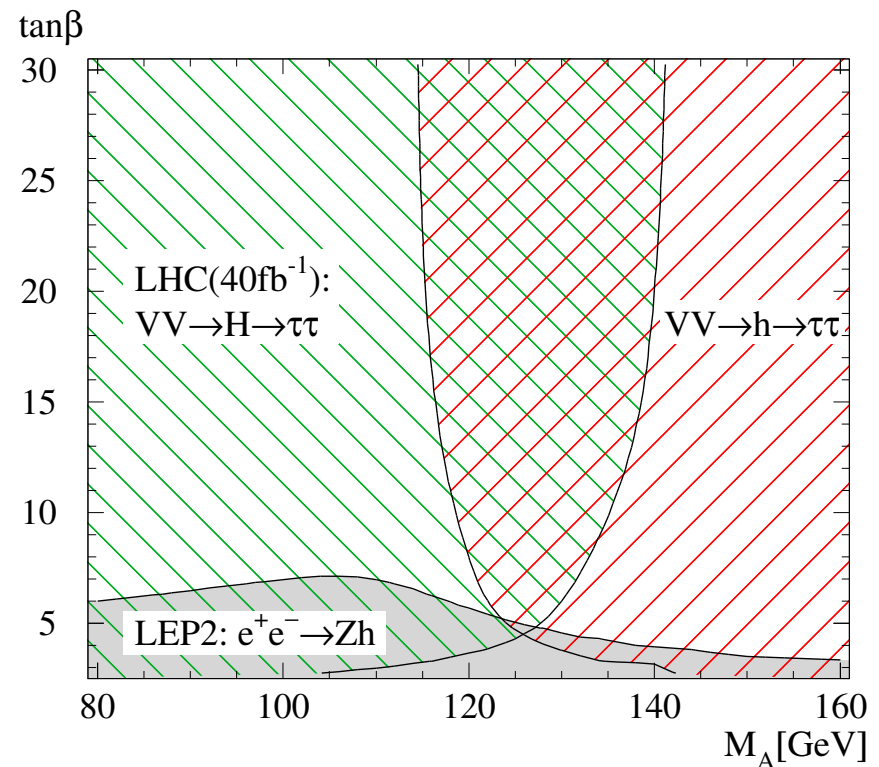
- No matter where in MSSM parameter space, at least one of h or H can be observed in WBF production.

Relies on plateau behavior in $M_{h,H}$ and $g_{hVV}^2 + g_{HVV}^2 = g_{HVV,SM}^2$.

no mixing



maximal mixing



\rightarrow ATLAS confirmed - needs even less lumi ($\sim 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$)

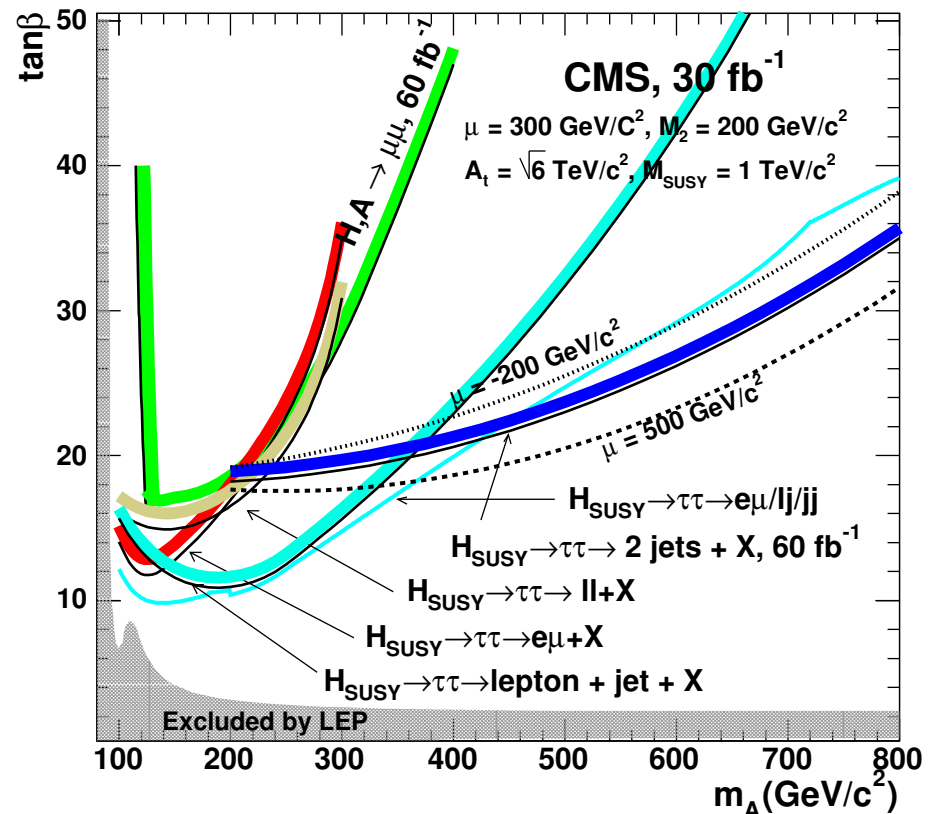
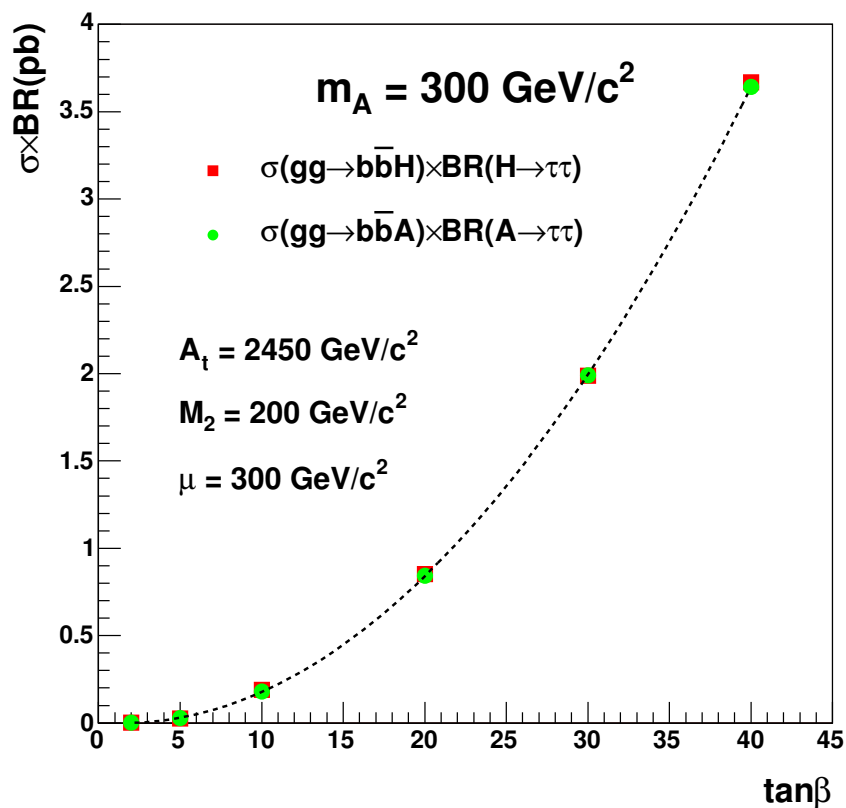
• ATLAS plots are a bit more confusing, though

Observing MSSM H, A states when “decoupled”

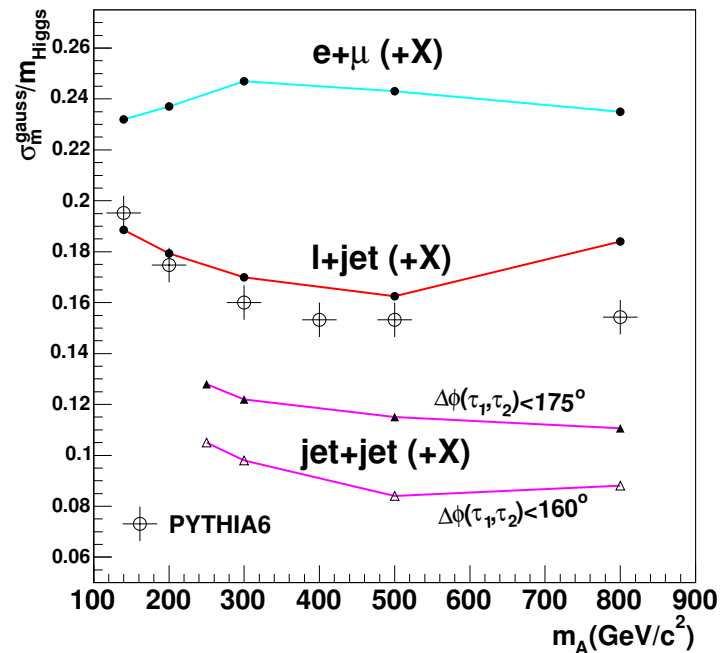
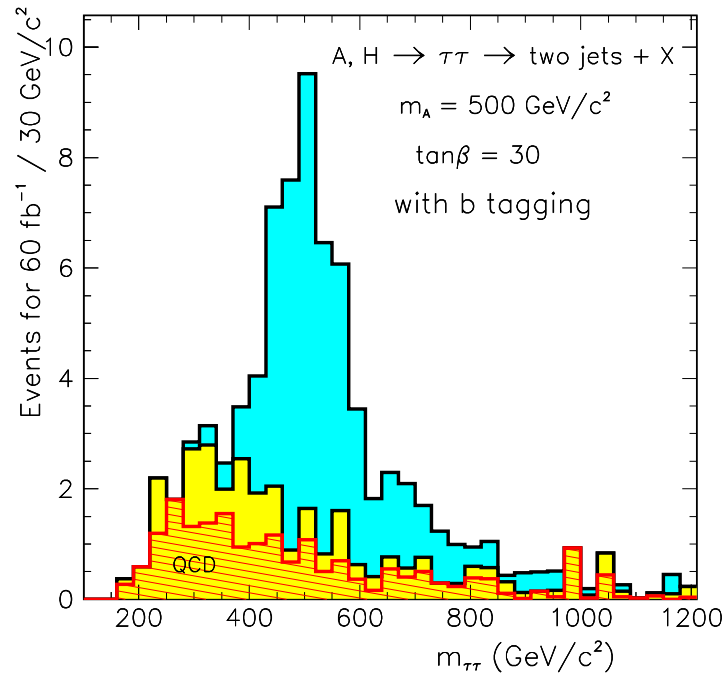
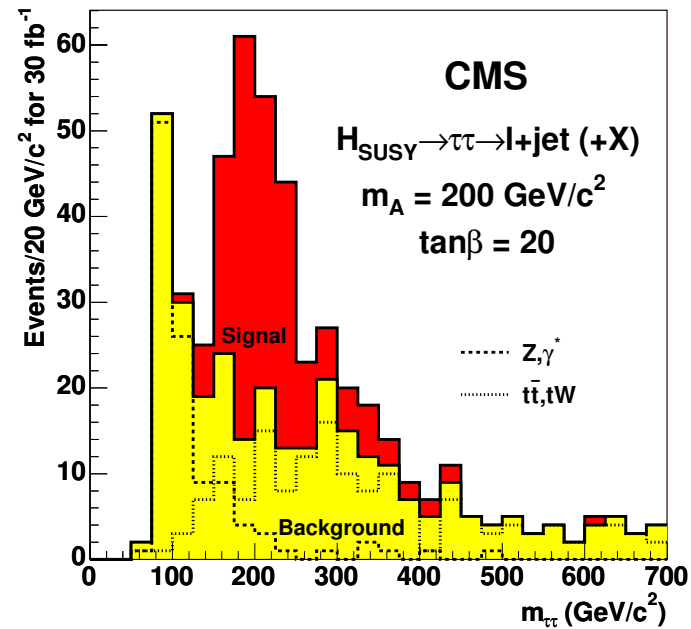
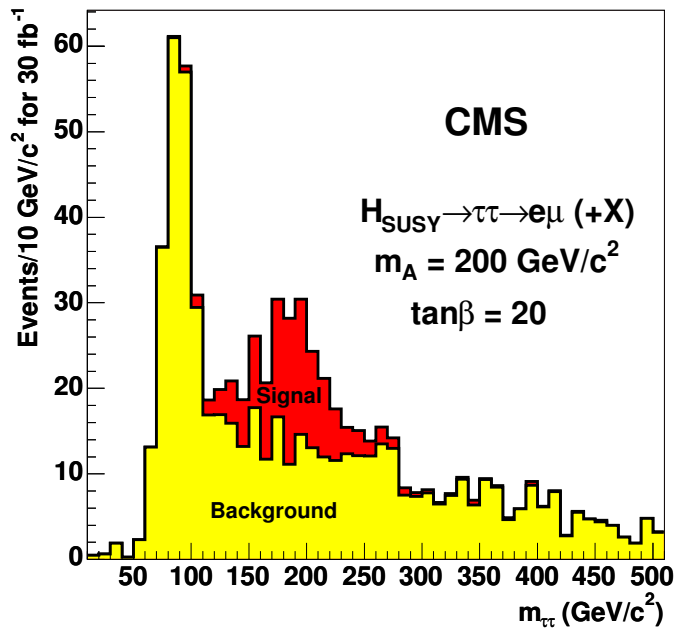
Recall that H has $\tan\beta$ enhancement to down-type quarks in decoupling region, and A always has this enhancement.

What decays to observe?

- forget about $H/A \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ - QCD overwhelms this
- BRs are dominantly to $\tau^+\tau^-$ and $\mu^+\mu^-$ as a rare mode
- $\tau^+\tau^-$ can work because H, A have large recoil in associated production

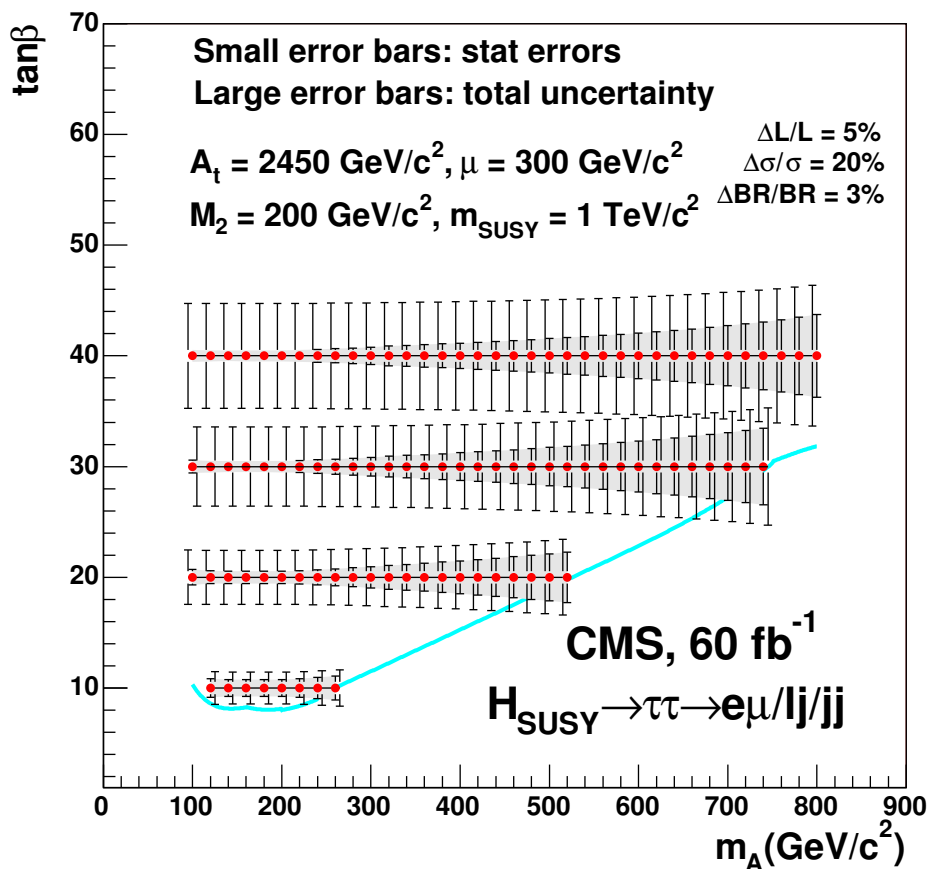
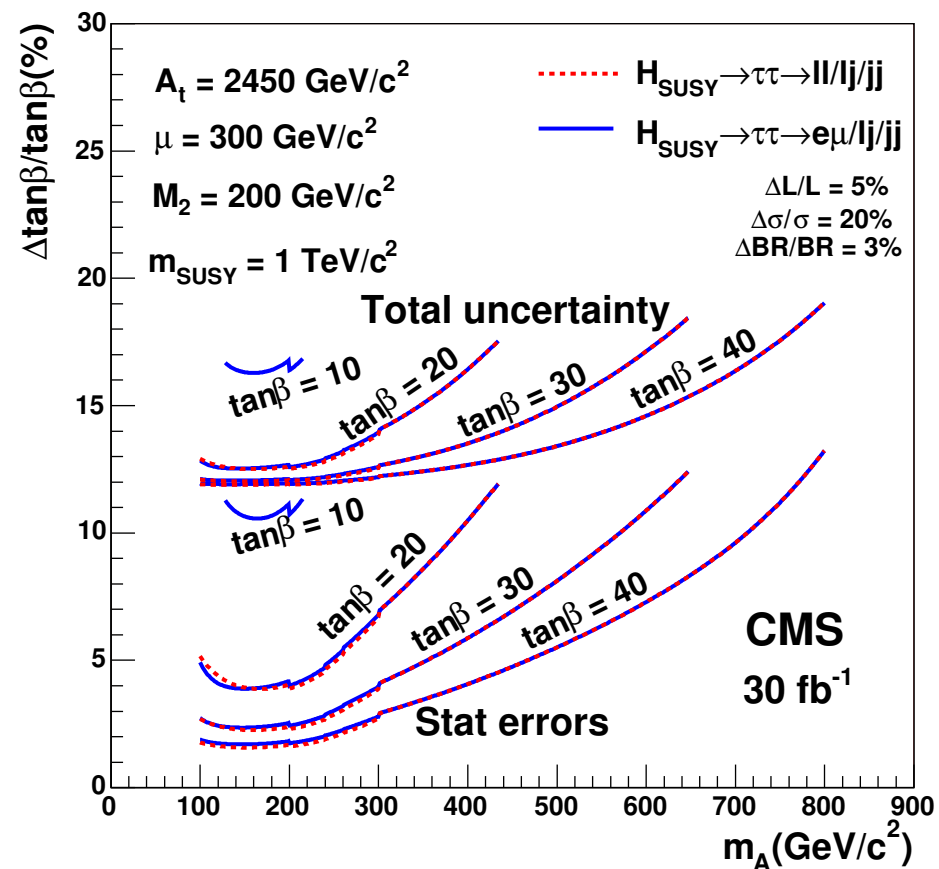
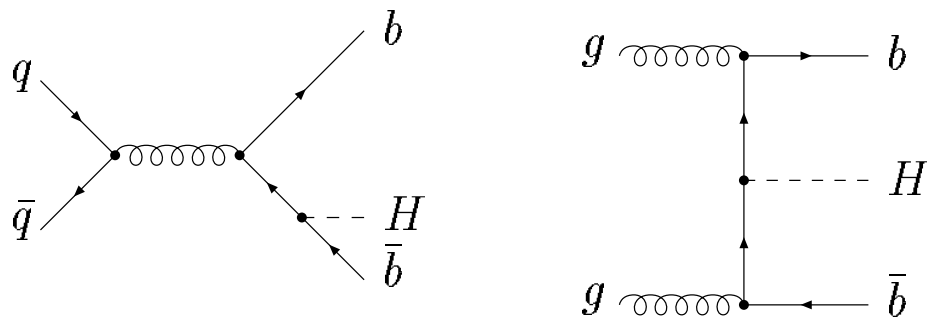


$H/A \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ mass resolution is even pretty good



How to measure $\tan\beta$

Essentially, measure the rate of $H/Abb\bar{b}$ production.
(coupling $\propto \tan\beta$)



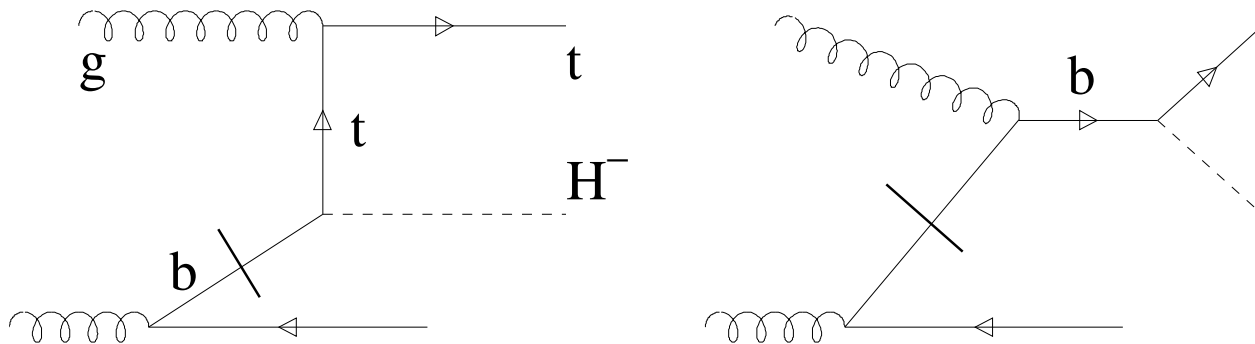
Pretty good measurement for hadron collider environment.
Systematic uncertainties dominate everywhere.

MSSM charged Higgs searches

Despite *everything else* we may see at Tevatron or LHC, the only way to prove the existence of two Higgs doublets is to directly observe the charged Higgs states.

❶ At Tevatron, this is most likely in top quark decays, $t \rightarrow H^\pm b$.

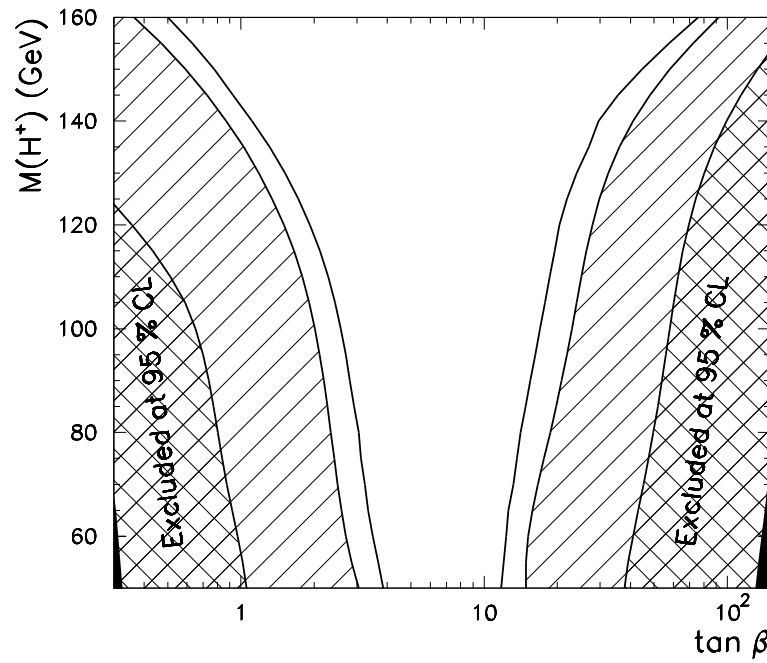
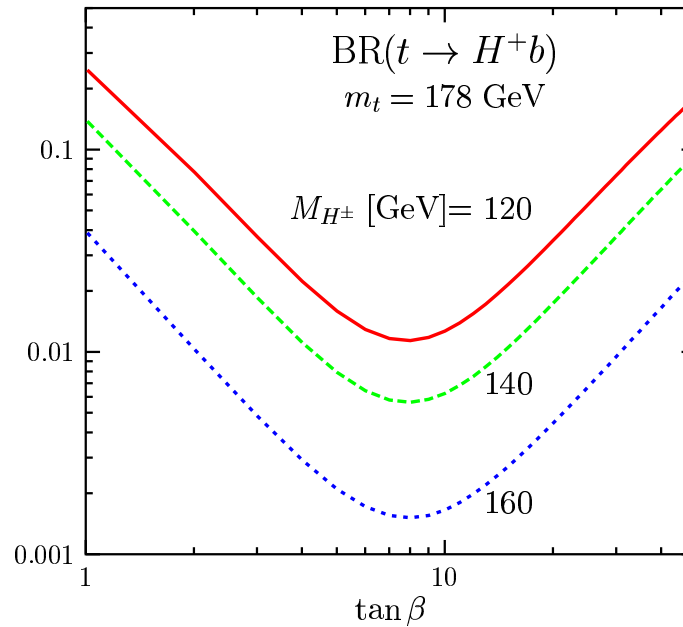
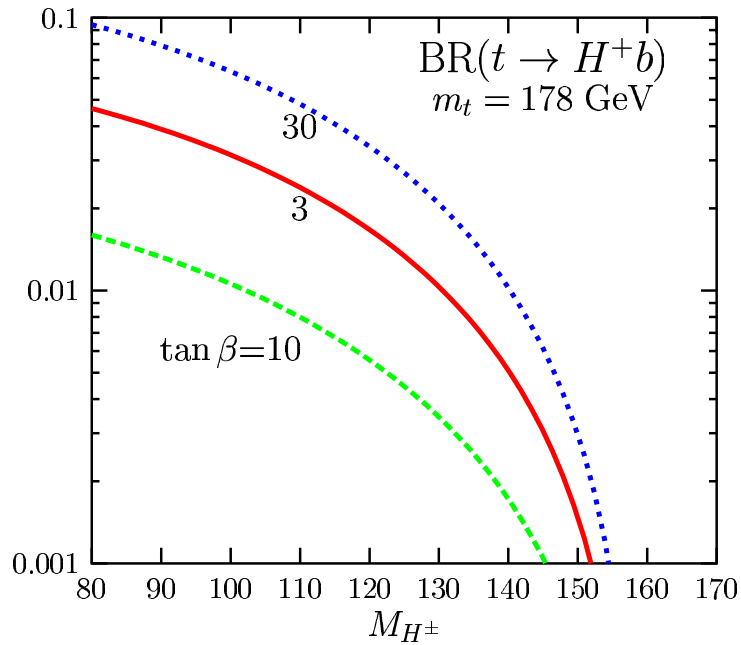
❷ At LHC, this is most likely in bottom-gluon fusion:



❸ At ILC, it depends strongly on M_{H^\pm}

H^\pm at Tevatron

Recall coupling: $g_{H-t\bar{b}} = \frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}M_W} [m_t \cot \beta(1 + \gamma_5) + m_b \tan \beta(1 - \gamma_5)]$

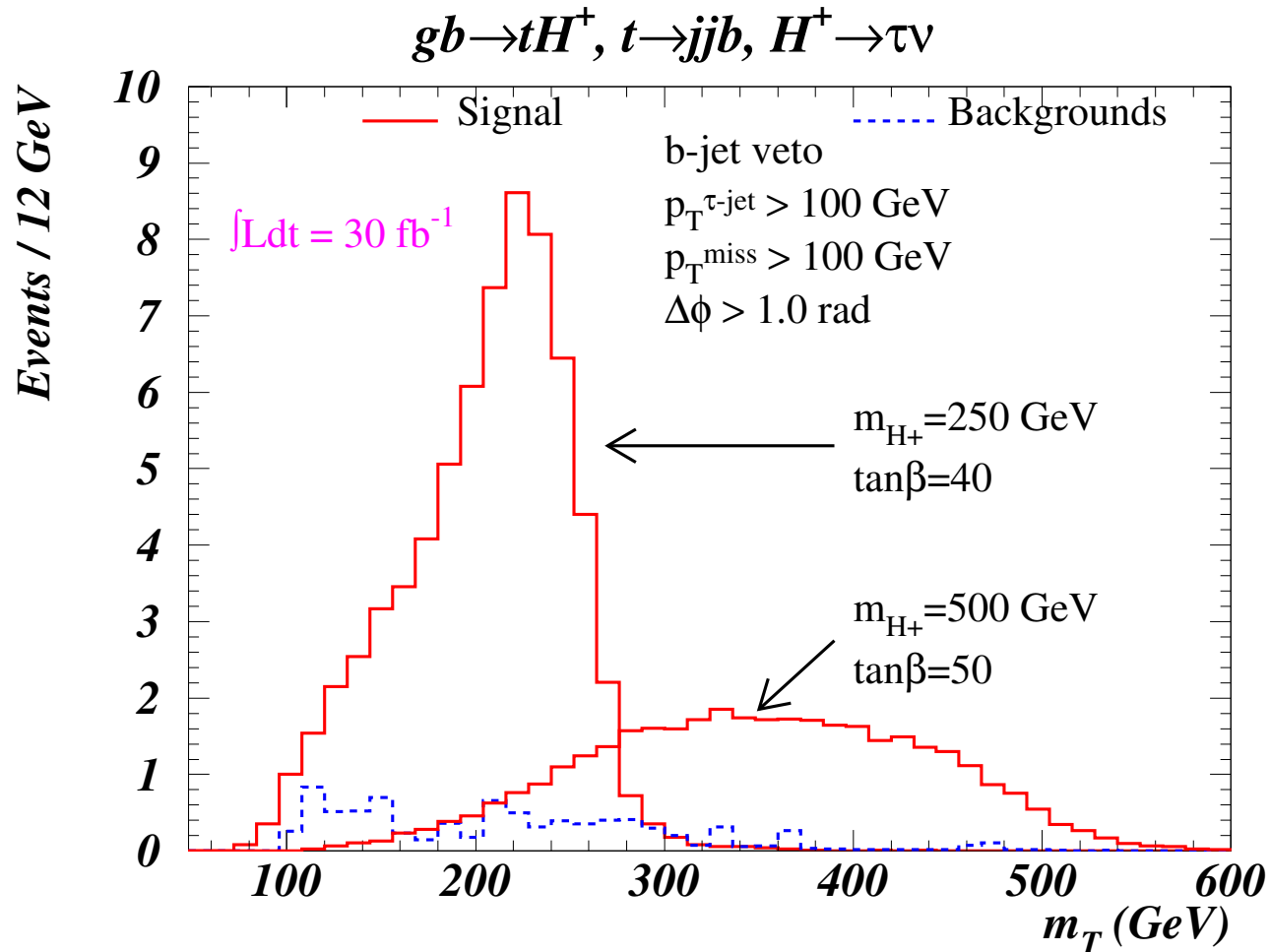


Run I and projected
Run II limits:

H^\pm at LHC cover basically $M_{H^\pm} > m_t$

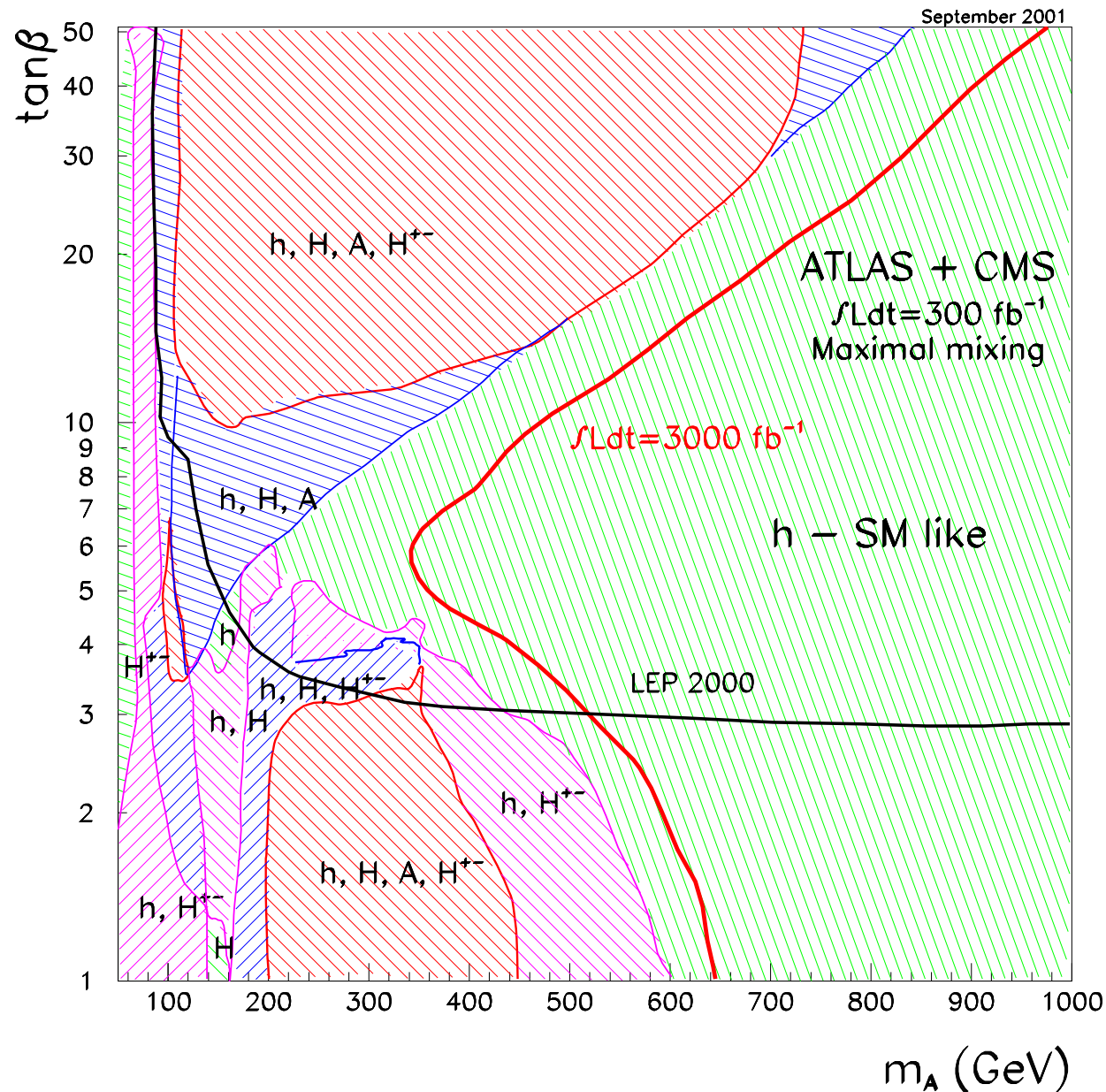
- decays to tb ? fuggedaboutit! (QCD is so nasty)
- that leaves decays to $\tau\nu$

Note: $\tau\nu$ is a killer because $\tau_L \rightarrow \ell$ decays are soft (low- p_T leptons)



→ can work at LHC, but is weak at large M_{H^\pm} and moderate $\tan\beta$

(S)LHC MSSM Higgs coverage summary



- large M_A and moderate $\tan \beta$ are *really* difficult (but needs updates)

MSSM Higgs potential and self-couplings

For the general MSSM Higgs potential, we have in $\lambda_{\phi_i\phi_j\phi_k}$ notation:

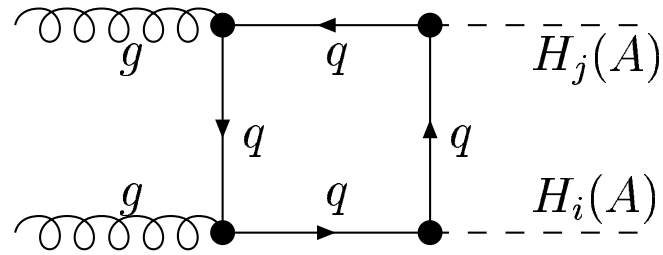
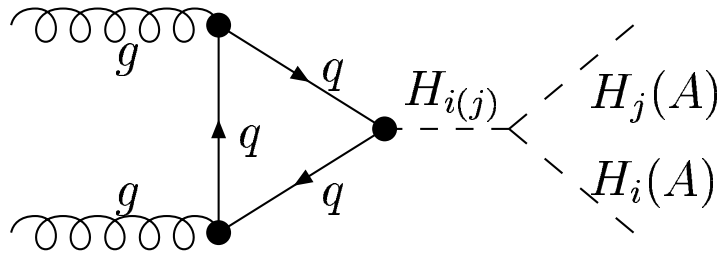
$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_{hhh} &= 3 \cos 2\alpha \sin(\beta + \alpha) + \frac{3\epsilon}{M_Z^2} \frac{\cos^3 \alpha}{\sin \beta} \\ \lambda_{Hhh} &= 2 \sin 2\alpha \sin(\beta + \alpha) - \cos 2\alpha \cos(\beta + \alpha) + \frac{3\epsilon}{M_Z^2} \frac{\sin \alpha \cos^2 \alpha}{\sin \beta} \\ \lambda_{HHh} &= -2 \sin 2\alpha \cos(\beta + \alpha) - \cos 2\alpha \sin(\beta + \alpha) + \frac{3\epsilon}{M_Z^2} \frac{\sin^2 \alpha \cos \alpha}{\sin \beta} \\ \lambda_{HHH} &= 3 \cos 2\alpha \cos(\beta + \alpha) + \frac{3\epsilon}{M_Z^2} \frac{\sin^3 \alpha}{\sin \beta} \\ \lambda_{hAA} &= \cos 2\beta \sin(\beta + \alpha) + \frac{\epsilon}{M_Z^2} \frac{\cos \alpha \cos^2 \beta}{\sin \beta} \\ \lambda_{HAA} &= -\cos 2\beta \cos(\beta + \alpha) + \frac{\epsilon}{M_Z^2} \frac{\sin \alpha \cos^2 \beta}{\sin \beta}\end{aligned}$$

where $\epsilon = \frac{3G_F}{\sqrt{2}\pi^2} \frac{m_t^4}{\sin^2 \beta} \log \left[1 + \frac{M_S^2}{m_t^2} \right]$, all couplings normalized to $\frac{M_Z^2}{v}$

- realize that these couplings are partly gauge parameters
- $\lambda_{hhh} \rightarrow \lambda_{SM}$ in decoupling limit

► must observe hh, hH, HH, hA, HA, AA production to measure potential!

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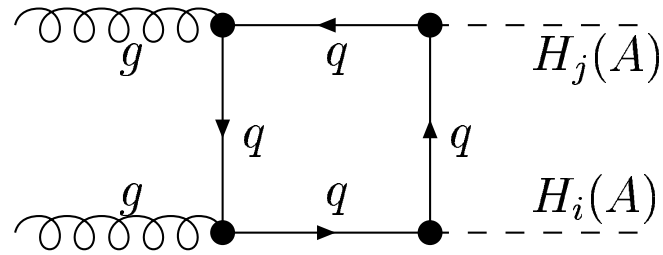
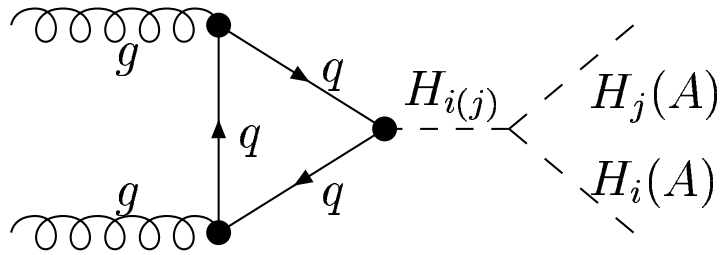


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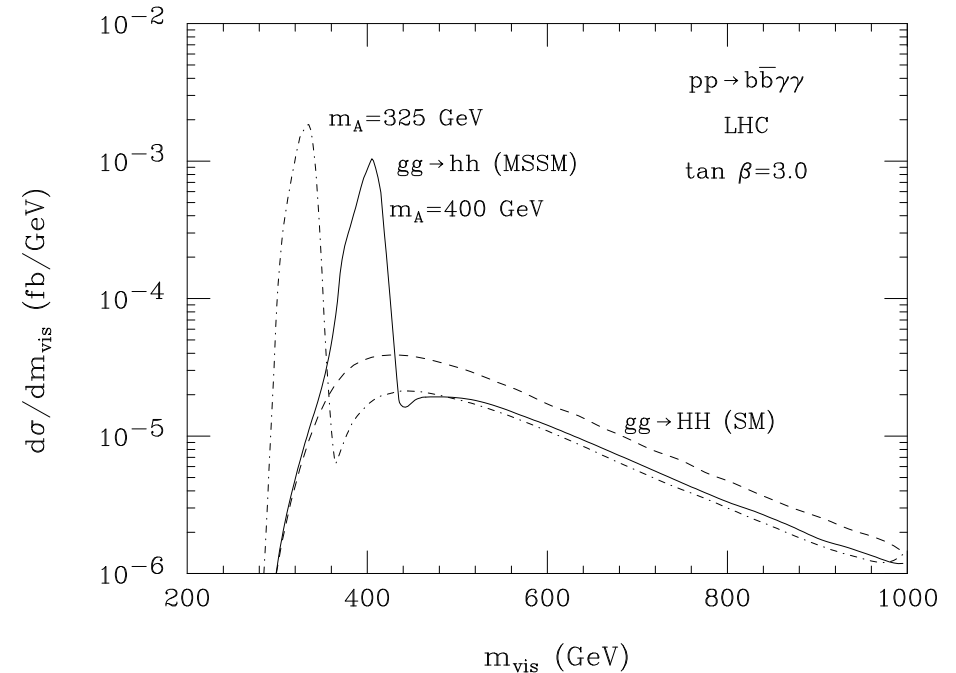
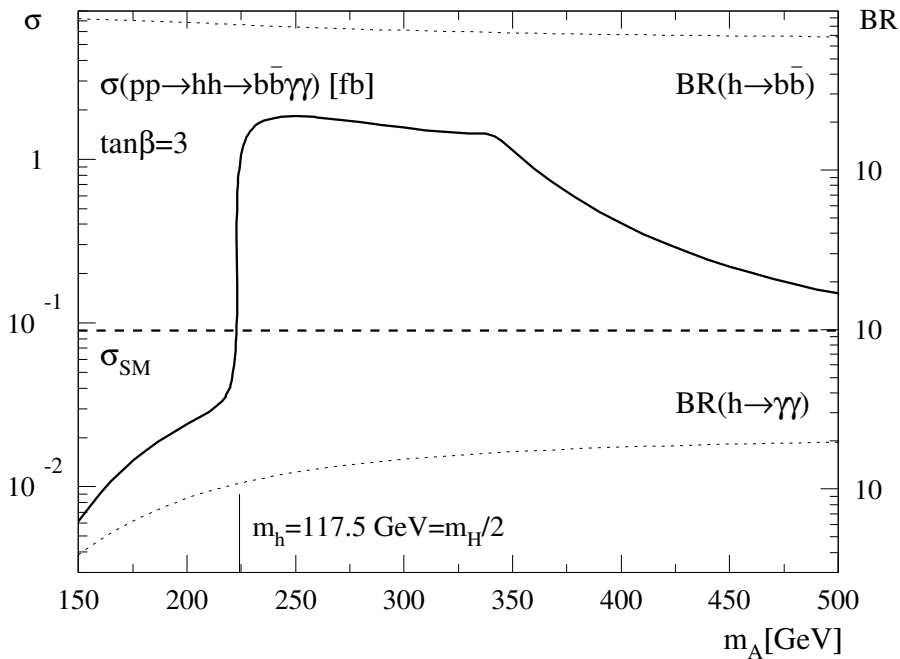


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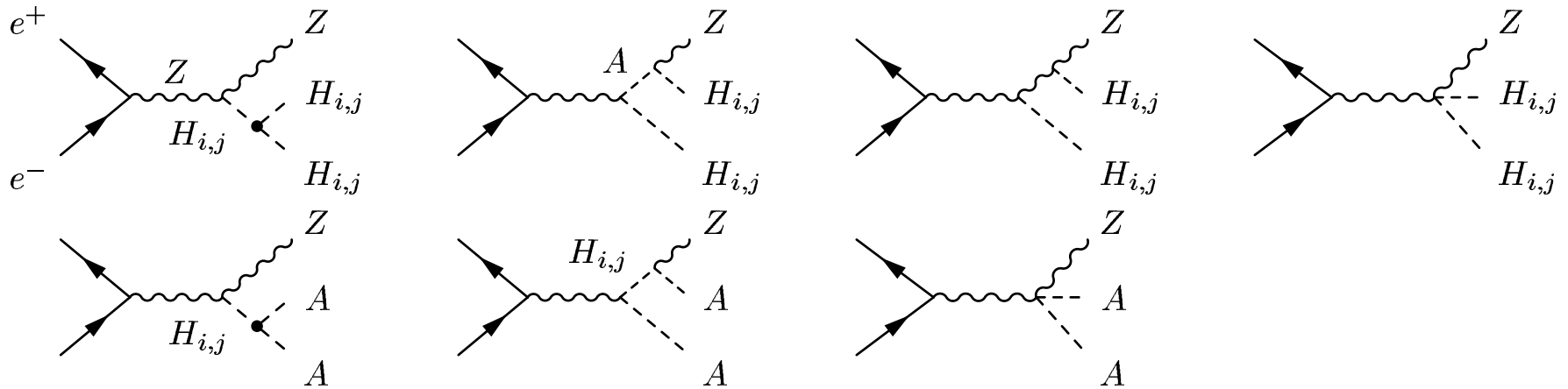
...with an interesting exception: resonant $H \rightarrow hh$ production



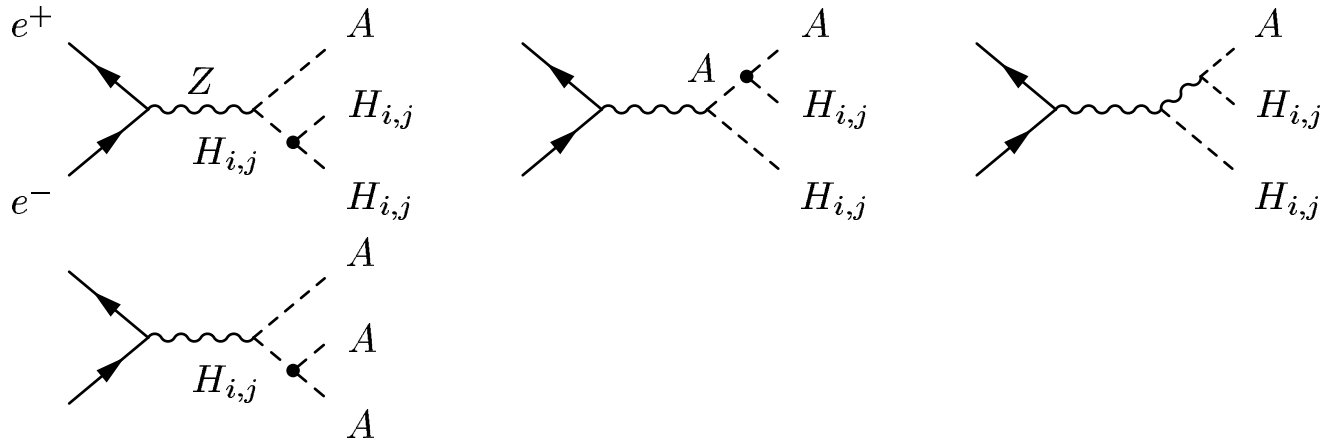
MSSM $e^+e^- \rightarrow \phi_i\phi_j$ at an ILC

Don't have annoying interference with dominant box diagrams...

double Higgs-strahlung: $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH_iH_j, ZAA$ [$H_{i,j} = h, H$]



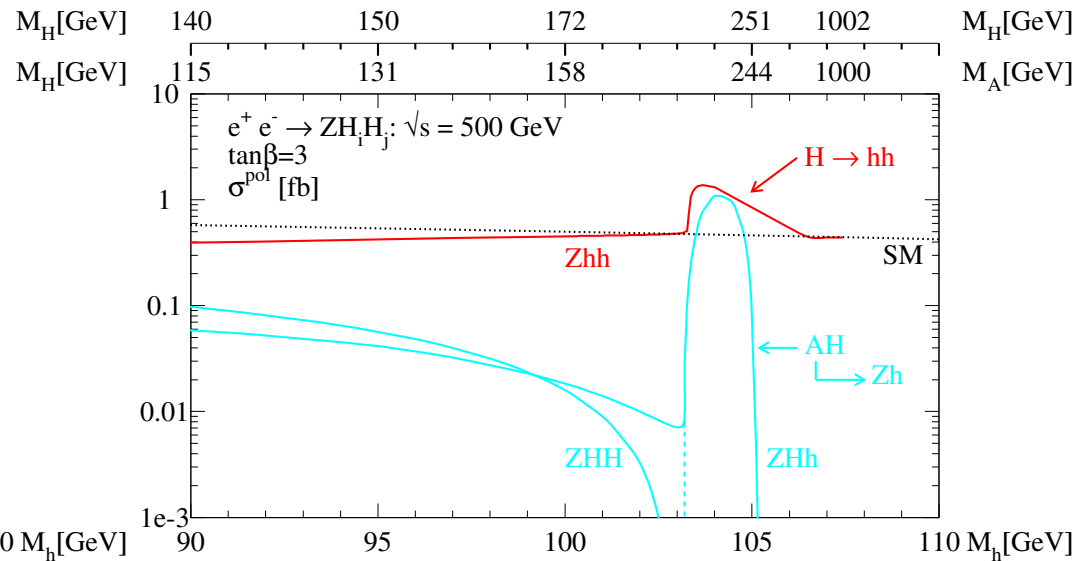
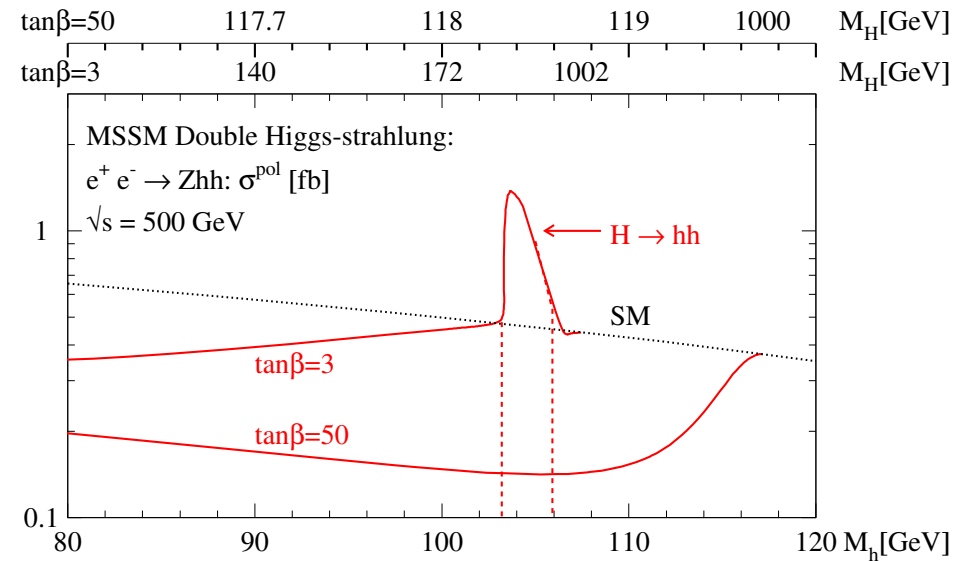
triple Higgs production: $e^+e^- \rightarrow AH_iH_j, AAA$



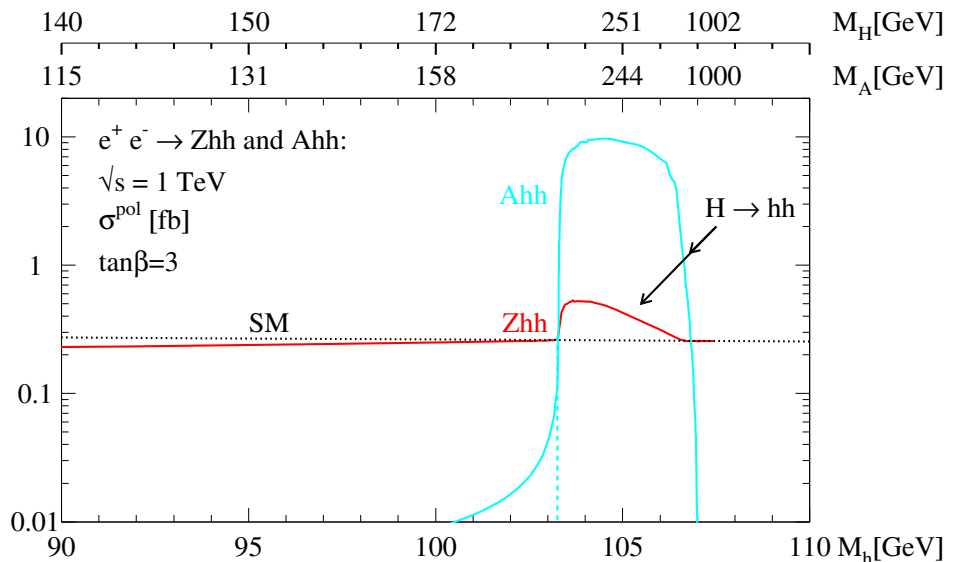
plus WBF diagrams...

MSSM $e^+e^- \rightarrow \phi_i\phi_j$ at an ILC

What do the cross sections look like compared to the SM?



Mostly smaller than SM,
 except where resonant
 → makes analyses very tough



SUMMARY PART 3

- In the absence of direct observation of new physics, make an anomalous couplings analysis using higher-dim. operators.
→ probes to many TeV in general
- Variety of Higgs sectors BSM is vast.
Working in the MSSM is “conventional” as SUSY is attractive.
- General 2HDMs have 5 states:
2 CP-even neutrals, 1 CP-odd neutral, and a charged pair.
- MSSM Higgs sector defined mostly by M_A , $\tan \beta$, M_S and A_t .
- Become familiar with the general characteristics of h, H, A couplings as a function of M_A and $\tan \beta$.
- MSSM Higgs pheno is *mostly* variations on SM pheno.
- Charged Higgses are *tough* to find, but crucial.
- MSSM Higgs self-coups impossible to measure except resonantly.