

# The Higgs to di-photon rate as a probe of Supersymmetry

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## 1. Introduction: the **discovery** of a new boson

## 2. The Higgs to di- photon rate & Supersymmetry

- ◆ The Higgs gamma gamma rate in the MSSM (stops, **staus** and mixing effects)
- ◆ Going beyond the MSSM

## 3. Phenomenology of the light stau model

- ◆ Constraints (EWPTs, DM abundance, vacuum stability)
- ◆  $(g-2)$
- ◆ Direct production of light staus at the LHC

### Some references

„A 125 GeV SM-like Higgs in the MSSM and the  $\gamma\gamma$  rate “

Carena, Gori, Shah, Wagner arXiv: 1112.3336, JHEP 1203 (2012) 014

„Light Stau Phenomenology and the  $\gamma\gamma$  Higgs Rate“

Carena, Gori, Shah, Wagner, Wang, arXiv: 1205.5842, JHEP 1207 (2012) 175



**Work in progress**

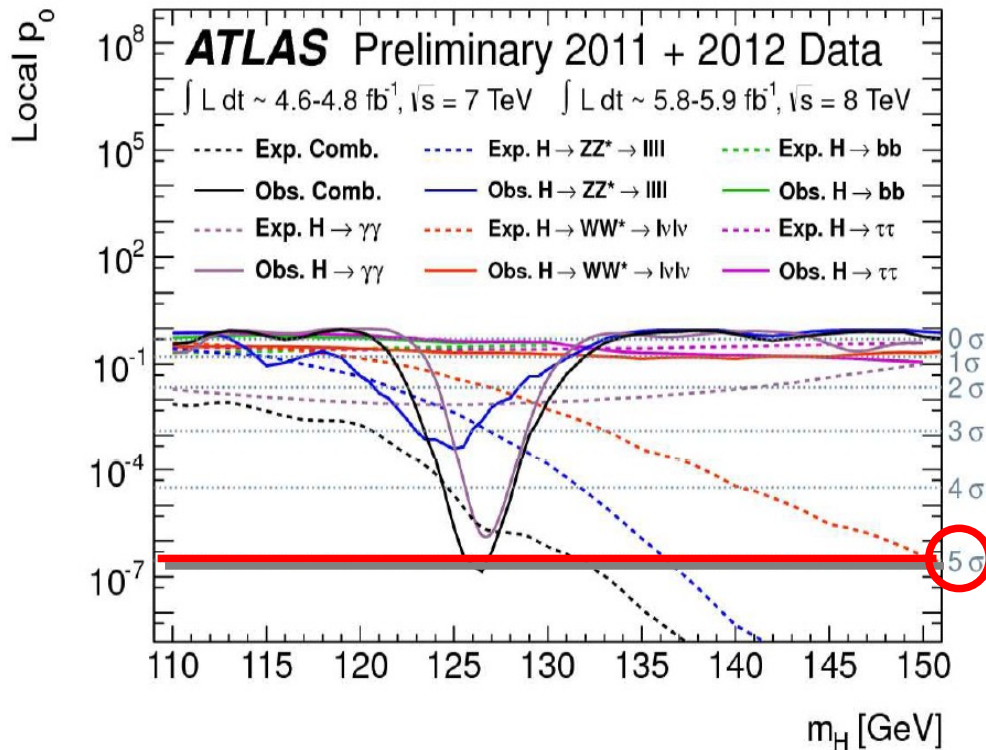
+ Ian Low

# We have a new boson!

July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012: Both ATLAS and CMS: „We have observed a new boson“

## ATLAS

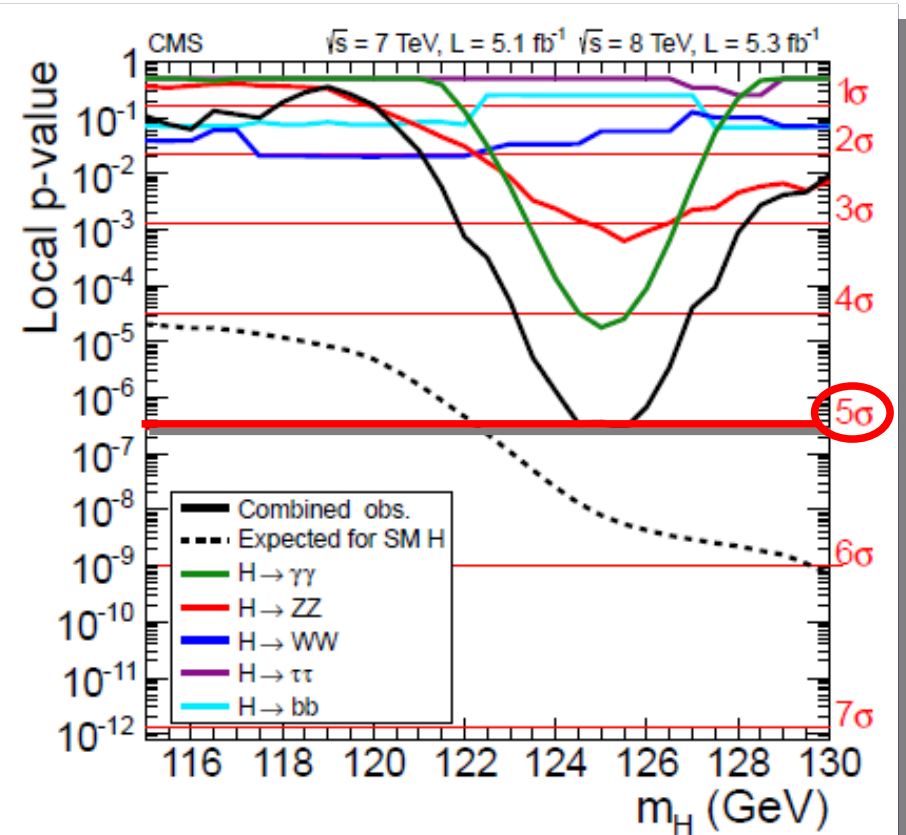
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## CMS

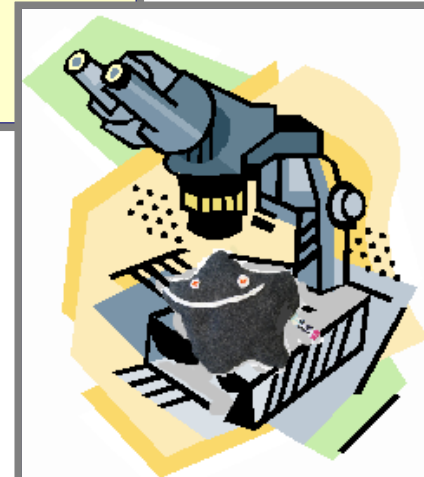
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$M_h = (125.3 \pm 0.4 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.5 \text{ (syst)}) \text{ GeV}$

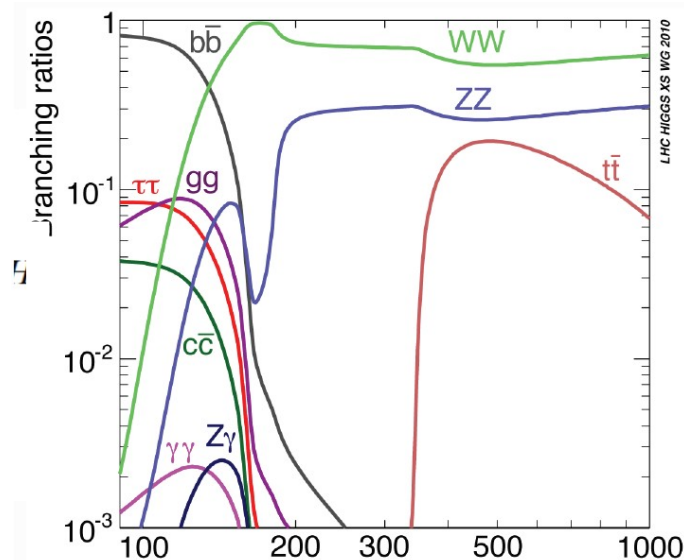
# Only the beginning of a new era

A **completely new sector** is started to be probed:  
the sector of electroweak symmetry breaking



The **interactions** of this Higgs are still **largely unknown**

A. Djouadi, 0503172



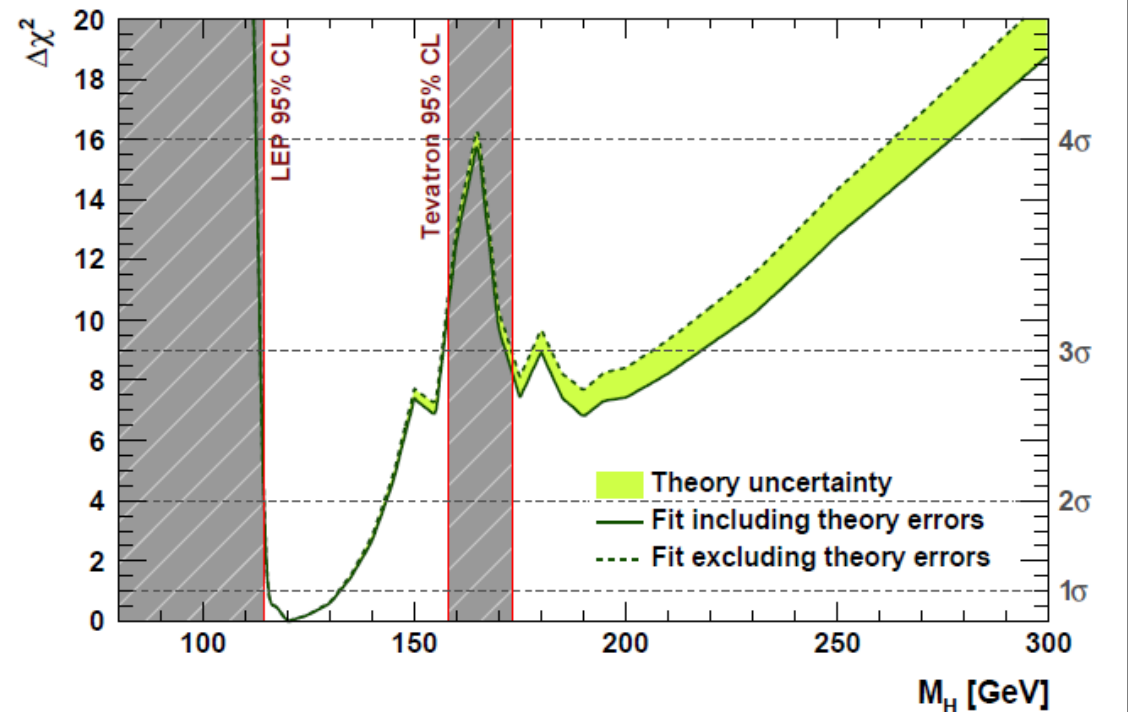
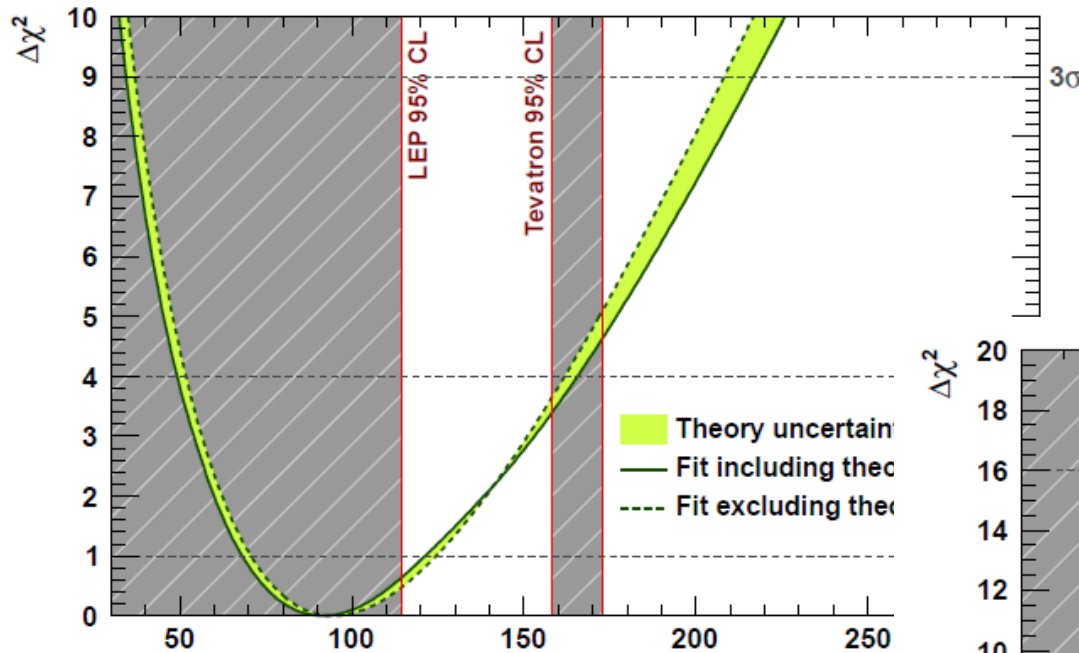
125 GeV: A good mass  
for experimentalists

Several decay modes will be  
measured at the LHC!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BR}(h \rightarrow b\bar{b}) &= 58\%, \quad \text{BR}(h \rightarrow ZZ^*) = 2.7\%, \\ \text{BR}(h \rightarrow WW^*) &= 21.6\%, \quad \text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\bar{\tau}) = 6.4\%, \\ \text{BR}(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) &= 0.22\%, \quad \text{BR}(h \rightarrow \gamma Z) = 0.16\% \end{aligned}$$

# The mass of the Higgs

A mass that one could have expected?

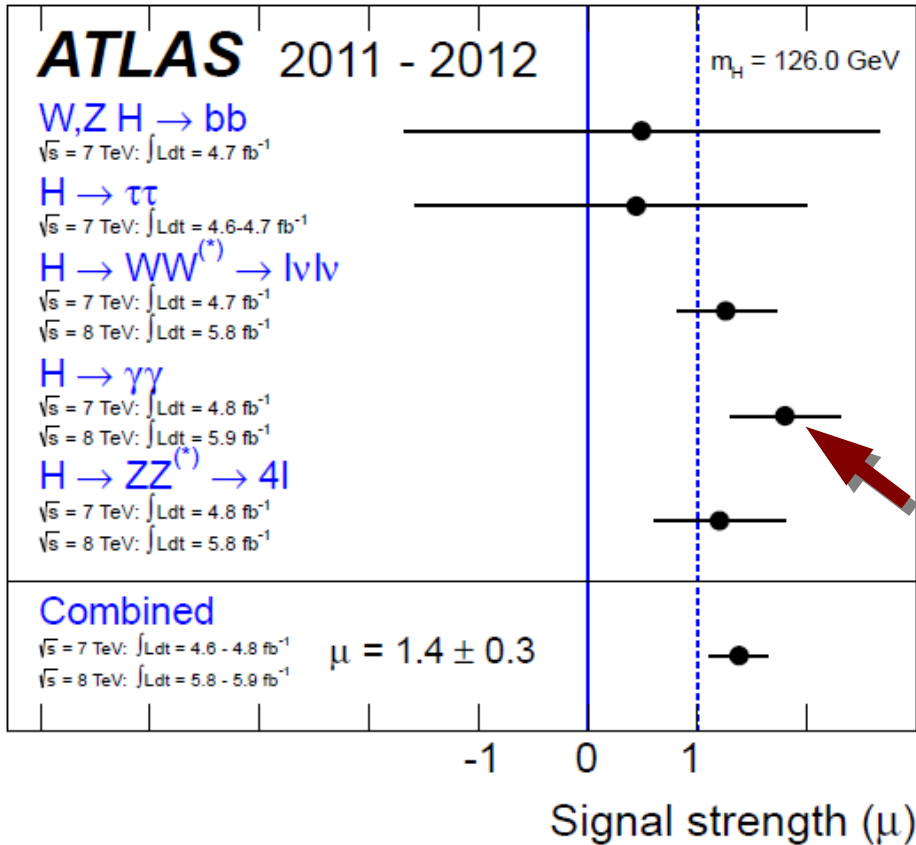


Gfitters, 1107.0975

# The Higgs of the SM?

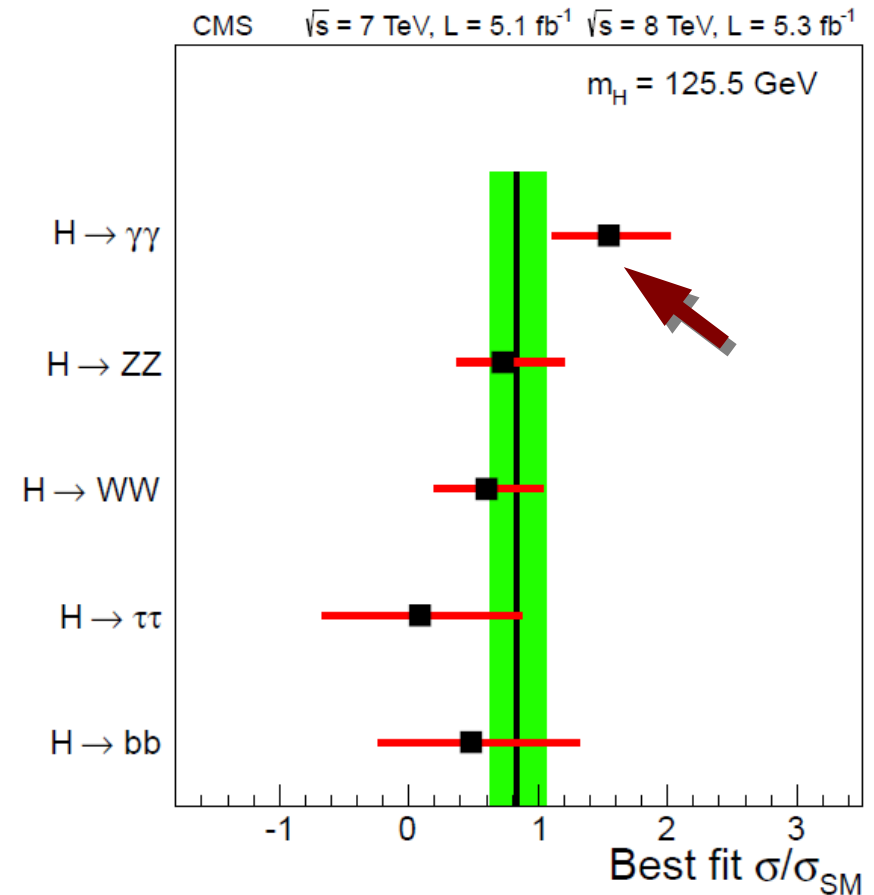
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**CMS**

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**SM-like** but still large room for **surprises**

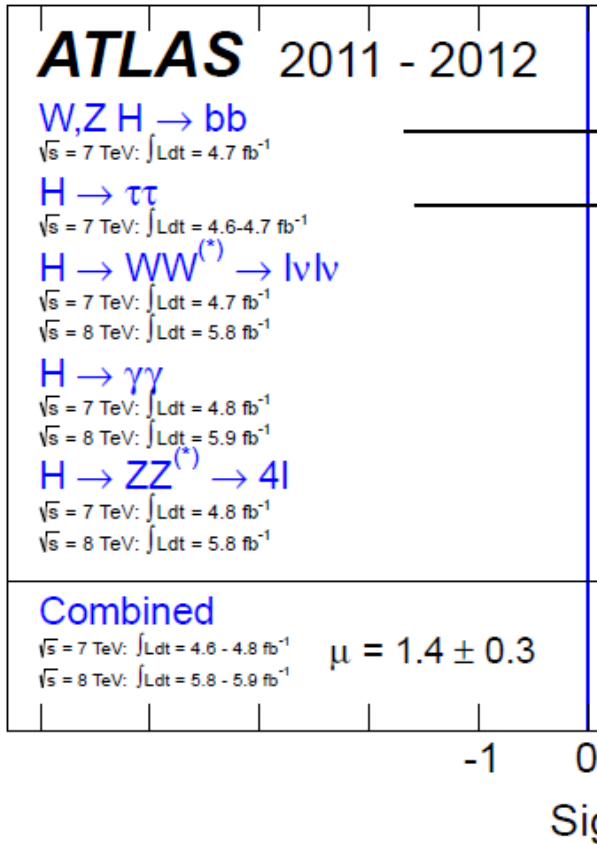
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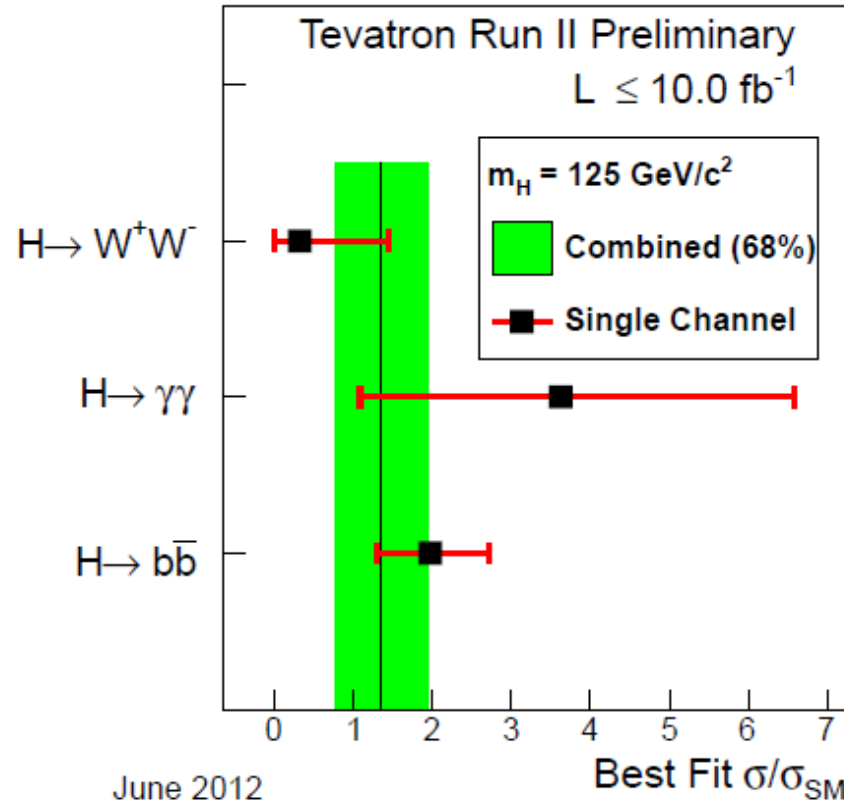
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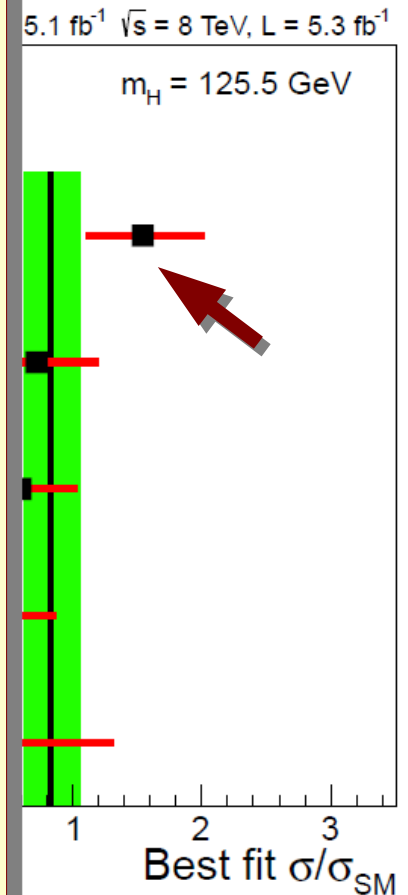


...and Tevatron

arXiv:1207.0449



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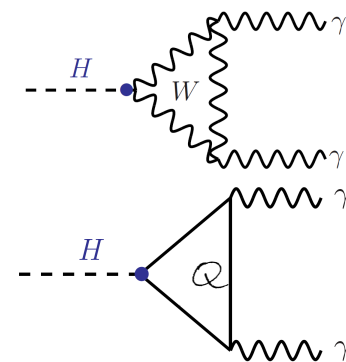
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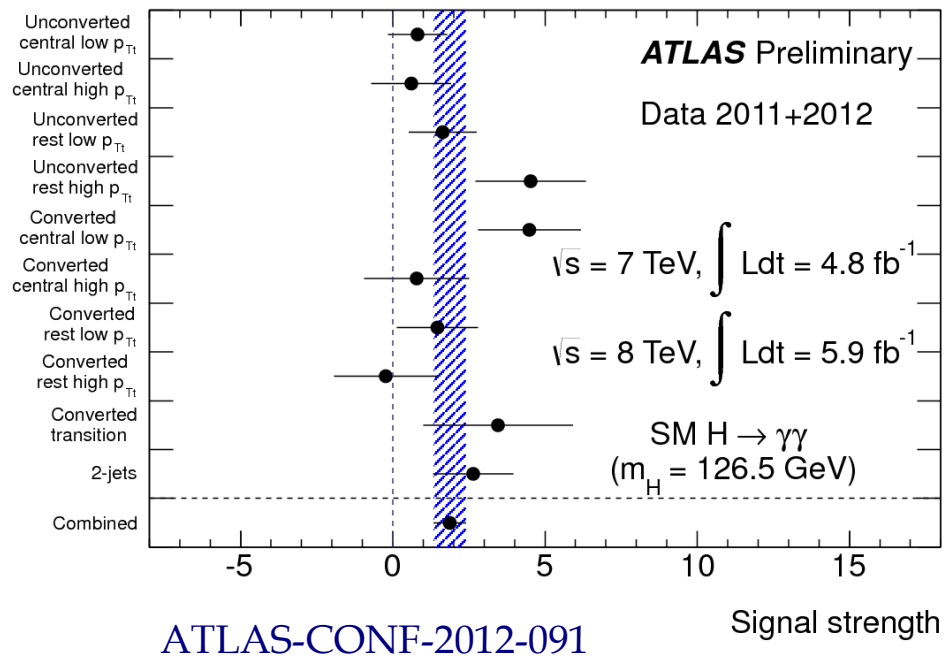
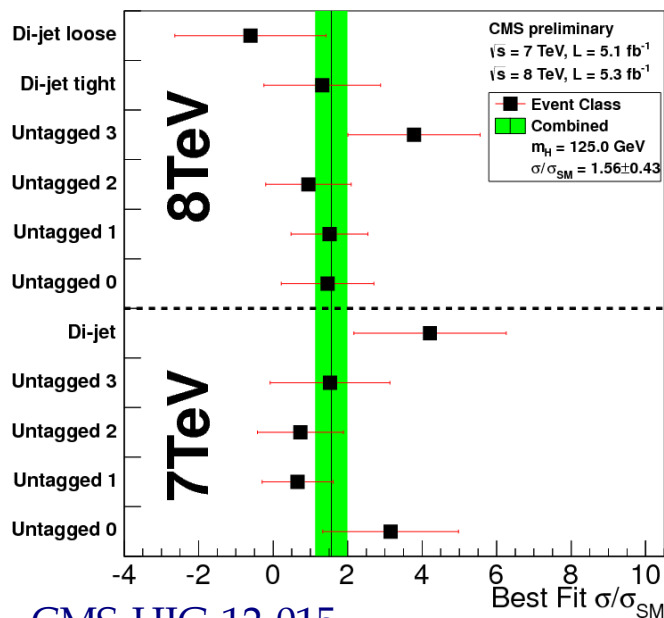
$$\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)_{SM}^{LO} \simeq \frac{\alpha^2 m_h^3}{1024\pi^3} \left| \frac{g_{hWW}}{m_W^2} A_1(\tau_W) - 2 \sum_f \frac{g_{hff}}{m_f} N_c^f Q_f^2 A_{1/2}(\tau_f) \right|^2$$

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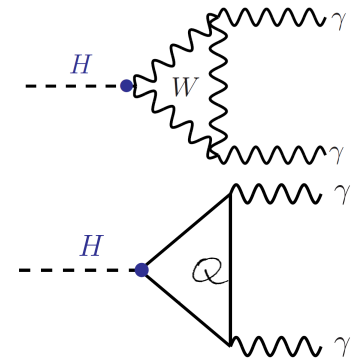
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$$R_{\gamma\gamma}^{7, \text{ATLAS}} = 2.0 \pm 0.9$$

$$R_{\gamma\gamma}^{7, \text{CMS}} = 2.1 \pm 0.6$$

$$R_{\gamma\gamma}^{\text{ATLAS}} = 1.9 \pm 0.5$$

$$R_{\gamma\gamma}^{\text{CMS}} = 1.56 \pm 0.43$$

$$R_{\gamma\gamma}^{\text{CMS+ATLAS}} = 1.71 \pm 0.33$$

First (long awaited) signal for beyond the SM physics at the LHC?

Or statistical fluctuation,  
Or underestimation of the QCD uncertainties?

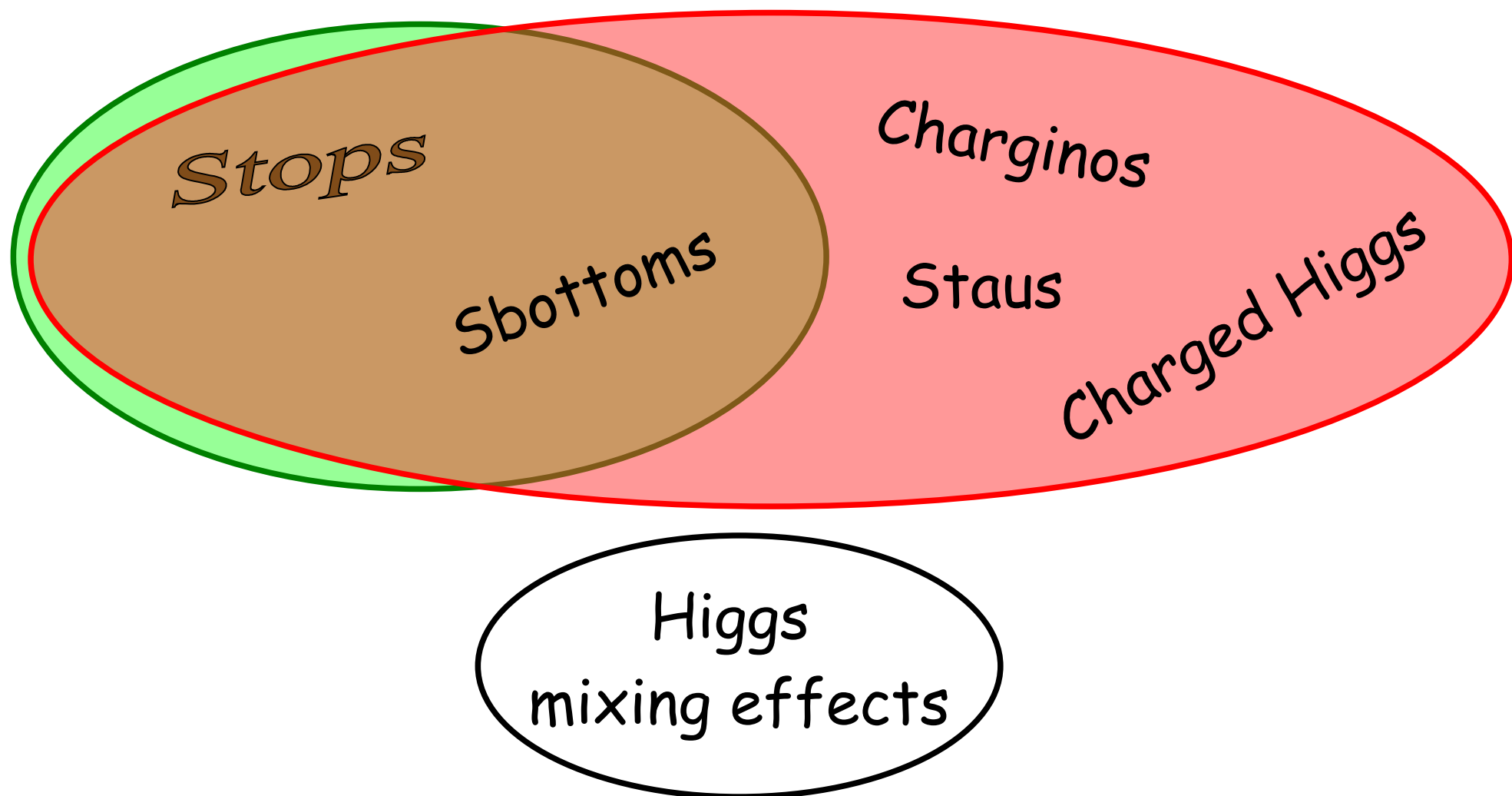
Baglio, Djouadi, Godbole, 1207.1451

# Naturalness and the Higgs rates

- ♦ New (light) particles introduced in models to address the **gauge hierarchy problem** also enter in the gluon fusion Higgs production cross section and diphoton rate
  
- ♦ Higgs rates may be **the best route to new physics**

# MSSM NP effects in the $\gamma\gamma$ rate

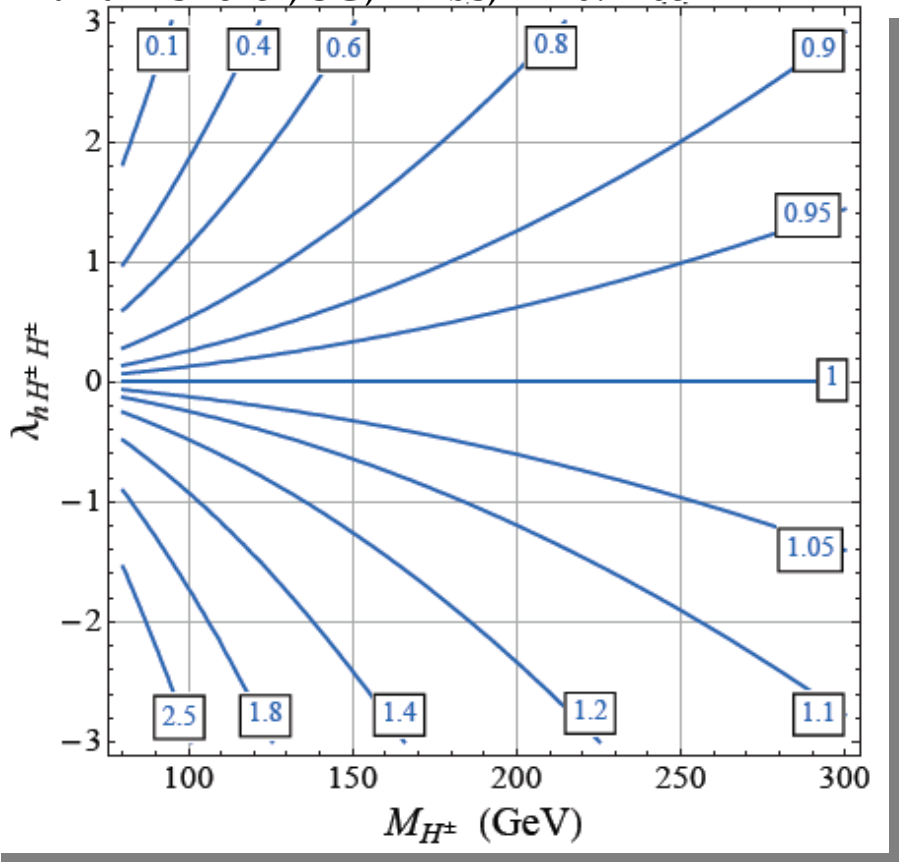
$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \sigma(pp \rightarrow h) \frac{\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)}{\Gamma_{\text{tot}}}$$



# Charged Higgs contributions

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Altmannshofer, SG, Kribs, 1210.2465



Maximized at very small  $\tan\beta$

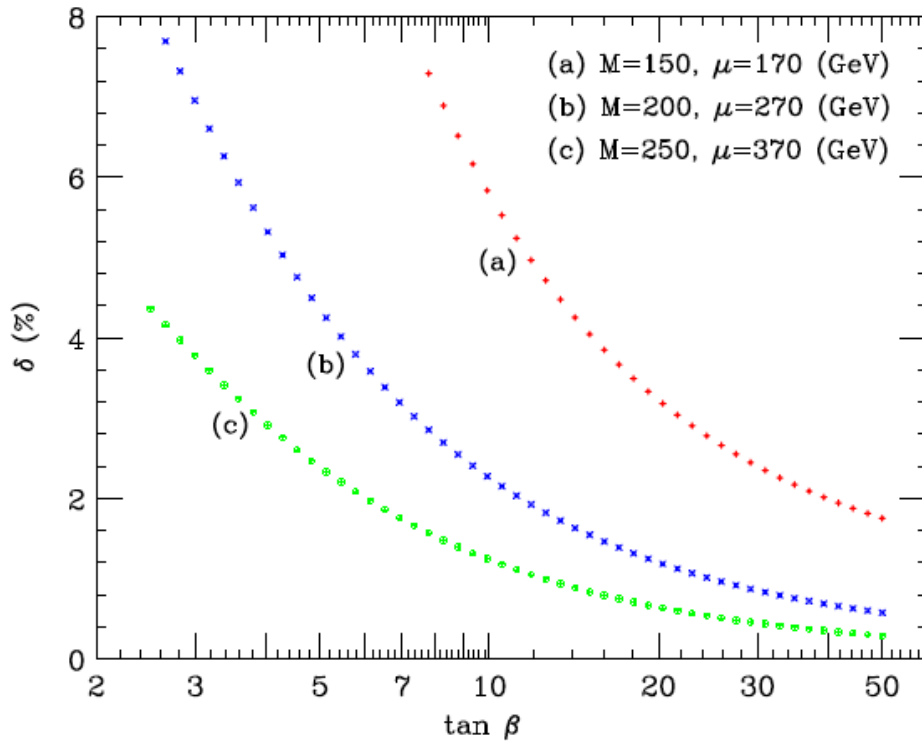
$$|\lambda_{hH^\pm H^\pm}^{\text{MSSM}}| \lesssim \frac{g^2}{2} \sim 0.21$$

Quartic couplings in the MSSM are dictated by the gauge couplings

Too small NP effects coming from the MSSM charged Higgs

# Chargino contributions

Diaz, Perez, 0412066



$$\Delta A_{\gamma\gamma} \propto -\frac{m_W^2 s_\beta c_\beta}{M_2 \mu}$$

The parameter dependence can be understood by

**the low energy theorem:**

Ellis, Gaillard, Nanopoulos, 1976

In presence of heavy charged particles

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \Delta A_{\gamma\gamma}^F \propto b^F \times \frac{\partial \log(\det \mathcal{M}(v) \mathcal{M}^\dagger(v))}{\partial \log v} & \text{for fermions in the loop} \\ \Delta A_{\gamma\gamma}^B \propto b^B \times \frac{\partial \log(\det \mathcal{M}^2(v))}{\partial \log v} & \text{for bosons in the loop} \end{array} \right.$$

See also Belanger, Boudjema, Donato, Godbole, Rosier-Lees, 0002039  
 Blum, D'Agnolo, Fan, 1206.5303

$$\mathcal{M}_{\chi^\pm} = \begin{pmatrix} M_2 & gv \sin \beta \\ gv \cos \beta & \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

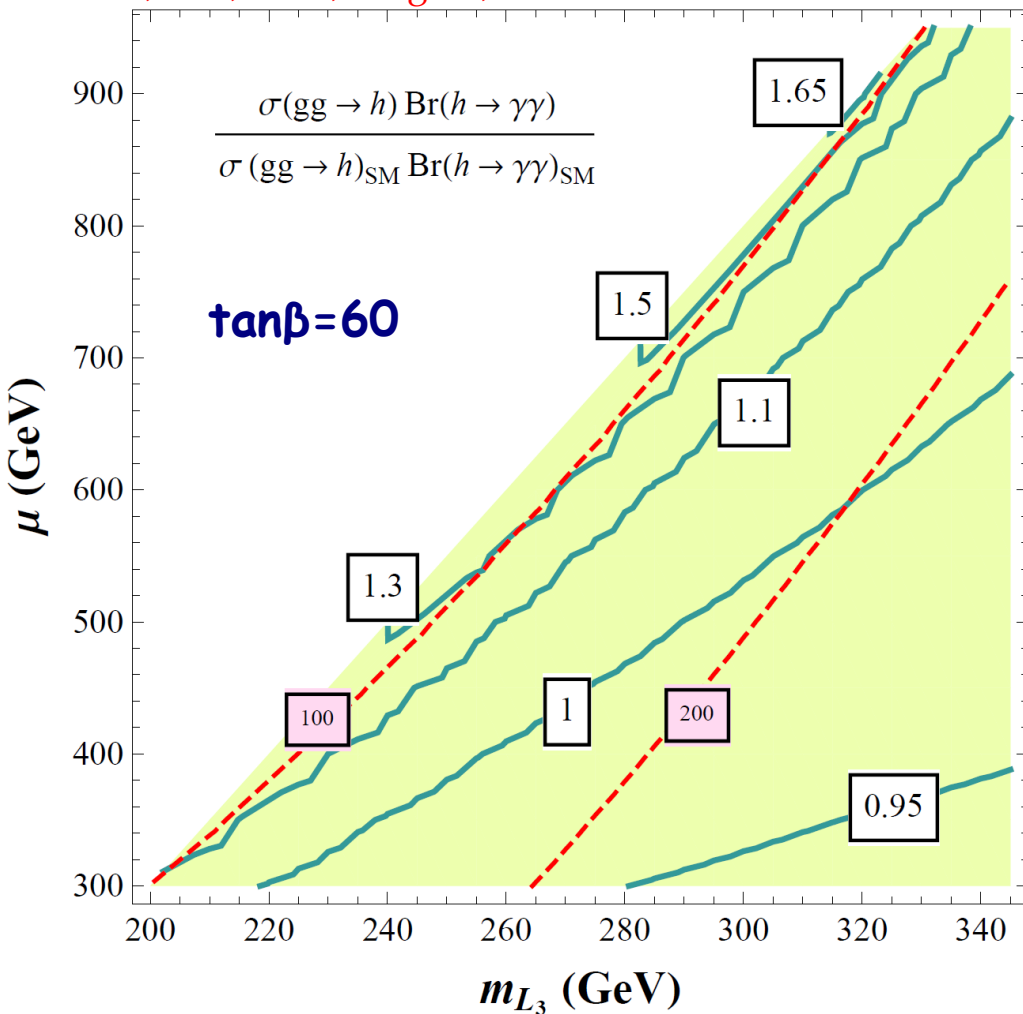
Corrections to the  $\gamma\gamma$  rate are **smaller than ~15%** and arise only at **very small  $\tan\beta$**

# Stau contributions

$$\Delta A_{\gamma\gamma} \propto -\frac{(\mu \tan \beta)^2 m_\tau^2}{m_{L_3}^2 m_{e_3}^2 - m_\tau^2 (\mu \tan \beta)^2} \sim -\frac{m_{\tilde{\tau}_2}^2}{m_{\tilde{\tau}_1}^2} \left(1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{\tau}_1}^2}{m_{\tilde{\tau}_2}^2}\right)^2$$

For degenerate stau soft masses

Carena, S.G., Shah, Wagner, 1112.3336

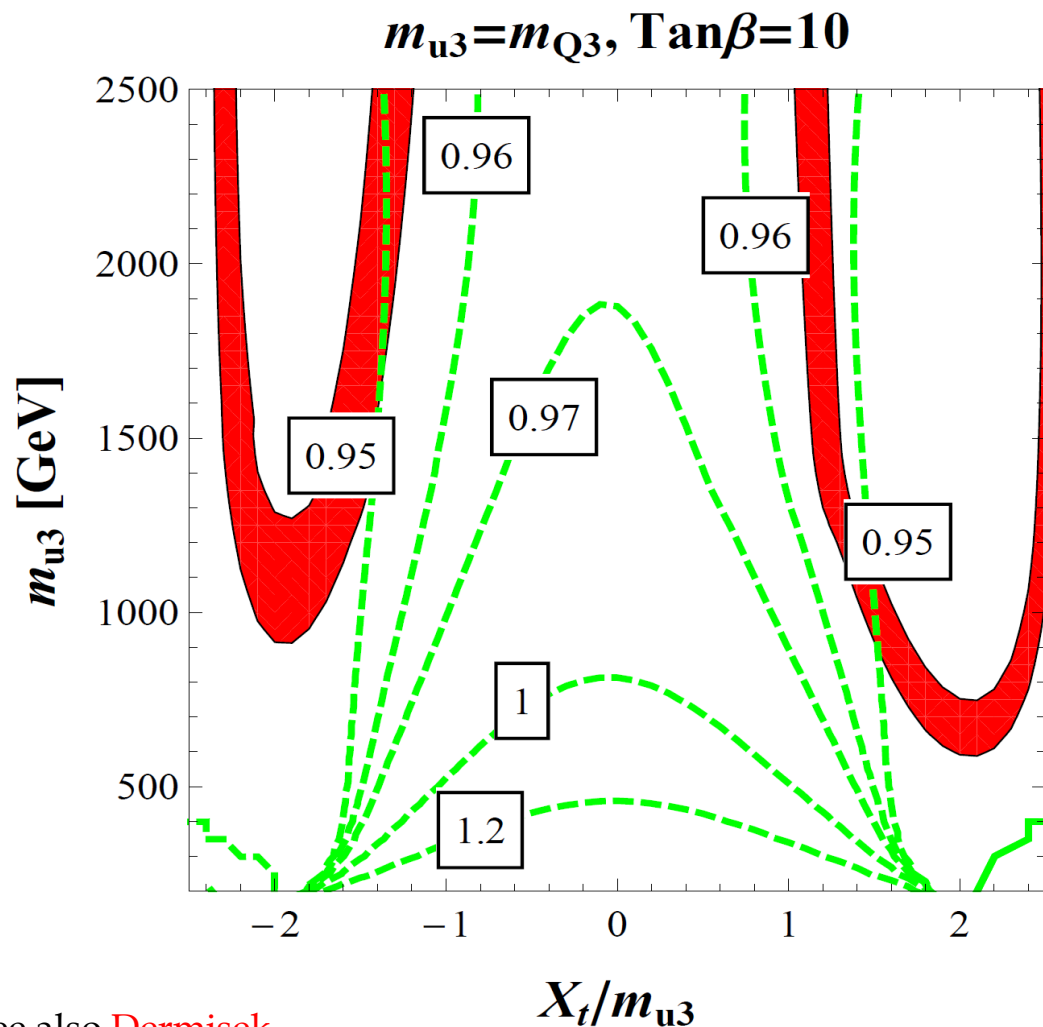


$$\mathcal{M}_\tau^2 \simeq \begin{pmatrix} m_{L_3}^2 + m_\tau^2 + D_L^\tau & m_\tau(A_\tau - \mu \tan \beta) \\ m_\tau(A_\tau - \mu \tan \beta) & m_{E_3}^2 + m_\tau^2 + D_R^\tau \end{pmatrix}$$

Heavily mixed light (LEP bound  $\sim 95\text{GeV}$ ) staus can lead to sizable effect in the  $\gamma\gamma$  rate

# Stop contributions

First case: large mixing and comparable stop masses



$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \sigma(pp \rightarrow h) \frac{\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)}{\Gamma_{\text{tot}}}$$

- ◆ Competing effects in gg fusion and in the  $\gamma\gamma$  partial width
- ◆ Both effects are rather small in the region reproducing the correct Higgs mass
- ◆ Overall **small suppression** of the  $\gamma\gamma$  rate coming from stops in this region

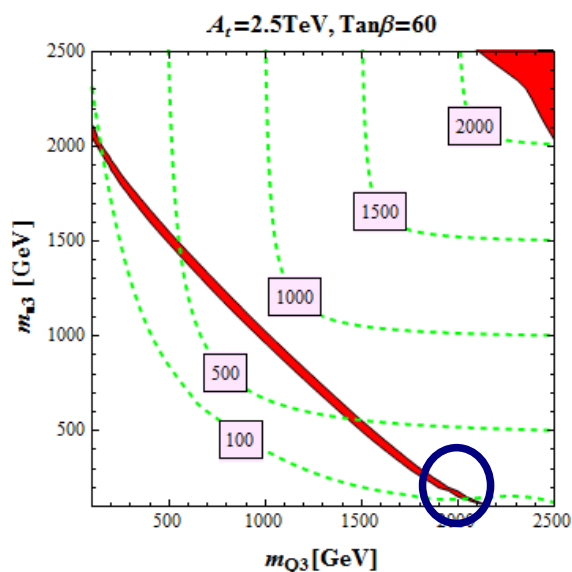
See also Dermisek,  
Low, 0701235

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# Stop contributions

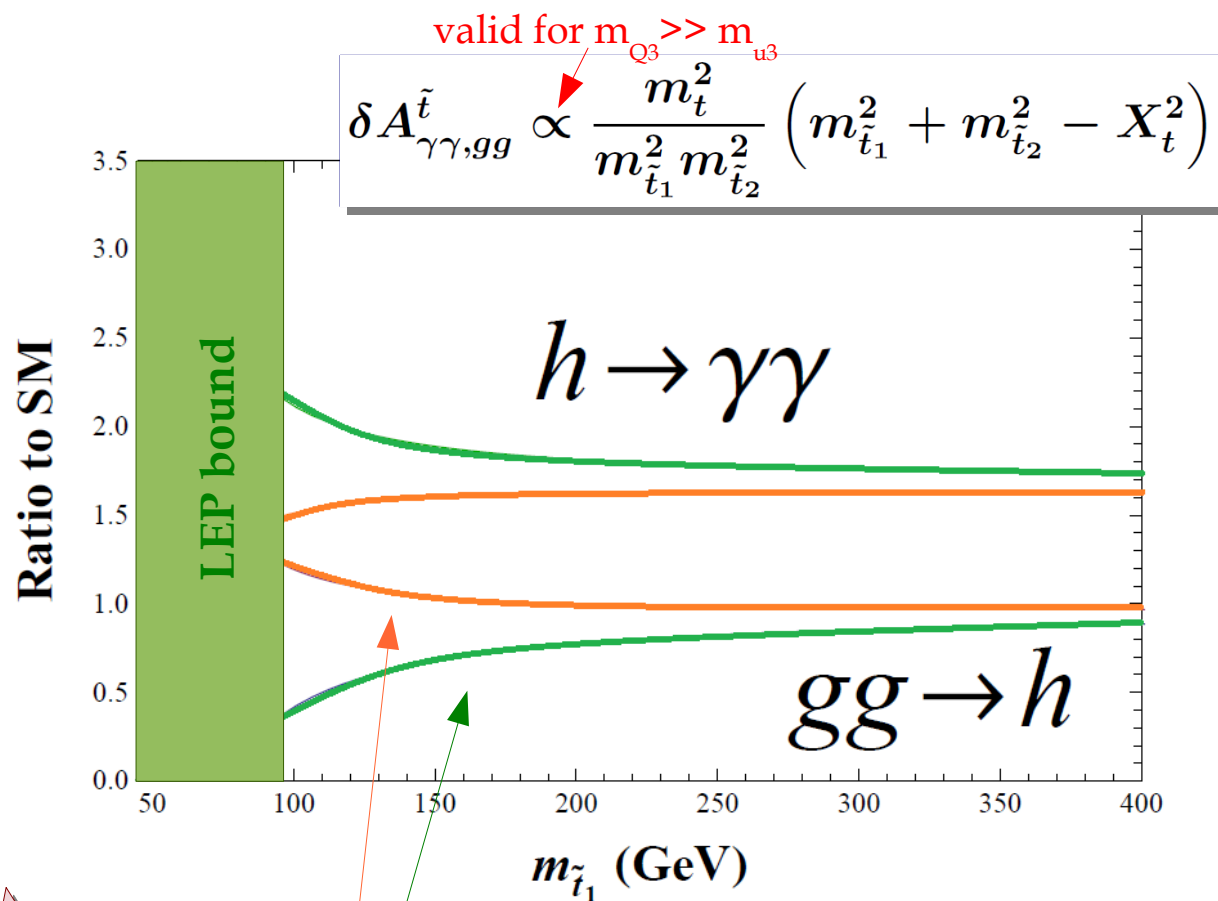
Second case: very large splitting between the two stops

Reminder:



$$m_h^2 \sim m_Z^2 \cos^2(2\beta) + \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \frac{m_t^4}{v^2} \tilde{X}_t$$

$$\tilde{X}_t = \frac{2X_t^2}{M_{\text{Susy}}^2} \left( 1 - \frac{X_t^2}{12M_{\text{Susy}}^2} \right)$$



Two solutions for  $X_t$  leading to the same Higgs mass



# Higgs mixing effects

$$\begin{pmatrix} h & H \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m_A^2 s_\beta^2 + M_Z^2 c_\beta^2 & -(m_A^2 + M_Z^2) s_\beta c_\beta + \text{Loop}_{12} \\ \star & m_A^2 c_\beta^2 + M_Z^2 s_\beta^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h \\ H \end{pmatrix}$$

- ◆ In the decoupling limit:  $m_A \gg M_Z$

The lightest Higgs couplings are SM-like

- ◆ Introducing some mixing between the two Higgs bosons:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \xi_d^h = \xi_\ell^h = -\frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \beta} \\ \xi_u^h = \frac{\cos \alpha}{\sin \beta} \\ \xi_V^h = \sin(\beta - \alpha) \end{array} \right.$$

For generic mixings, the coupling with bottom quarks would be highly non-SM-like

The Higgs width would be very different from the one of the SM

It does not seem to be hinted by the data  
(still it is a viable possibility)

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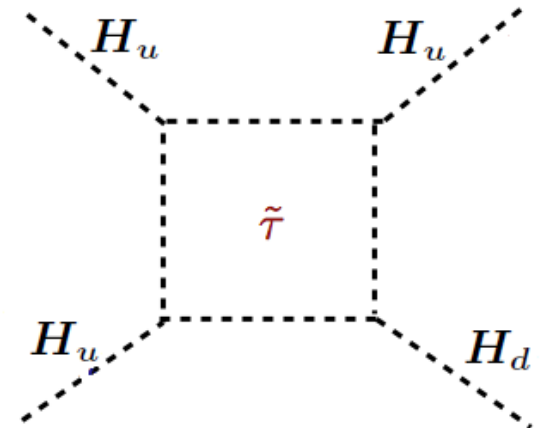
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$$\text{Loop}_{12} = \frac{m_\tau^4}{12\pi^2 v^2} \frac{\tan^4 \beta}{\sin^2 \beta} \frac{\mu^3 A_\tau}{M_{\tilde{\tau}}^4} + \dots$$

Coupling of the lightest Higgs with b-quarks (at tree level):

$$\xi_d^h = -\frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \beta}$$

In the exact decoupling limit:  $\xi_d^h = 1$

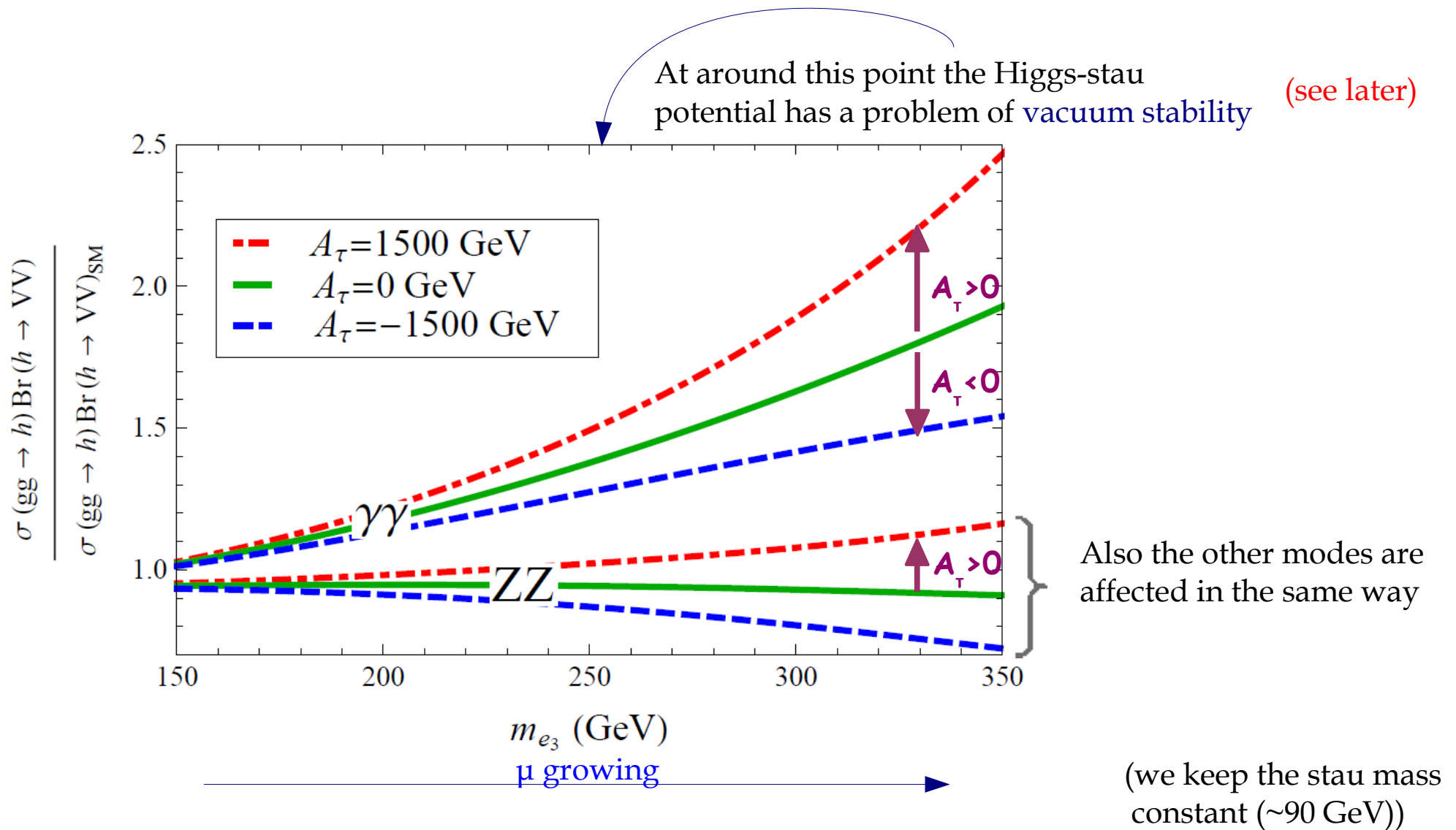


At large  $\mu$ ,  $A_\tau$ ,  $\tan\beta$  we can have  $|\xi_d^h| < 1$  (if  $\text{Loop}_{12} > 0$ ) or  $|\xi_d^h| > 1$  (if  $\text{Loop}_{12} < 0$ )

$\Gamma_{bb}$  is suppressed

$\Gamma_{bb}$  is enhanced

# Higgs mixing effects



The effects on the branching ratio into two b-quarks is small ( $\leq 5-10\%$ )  
 The bb mode is basically SM-like

# Higgs mass in the MSSM

In the „quasi decoupling limit“:  
 $(m_A \gg \lambda v)$

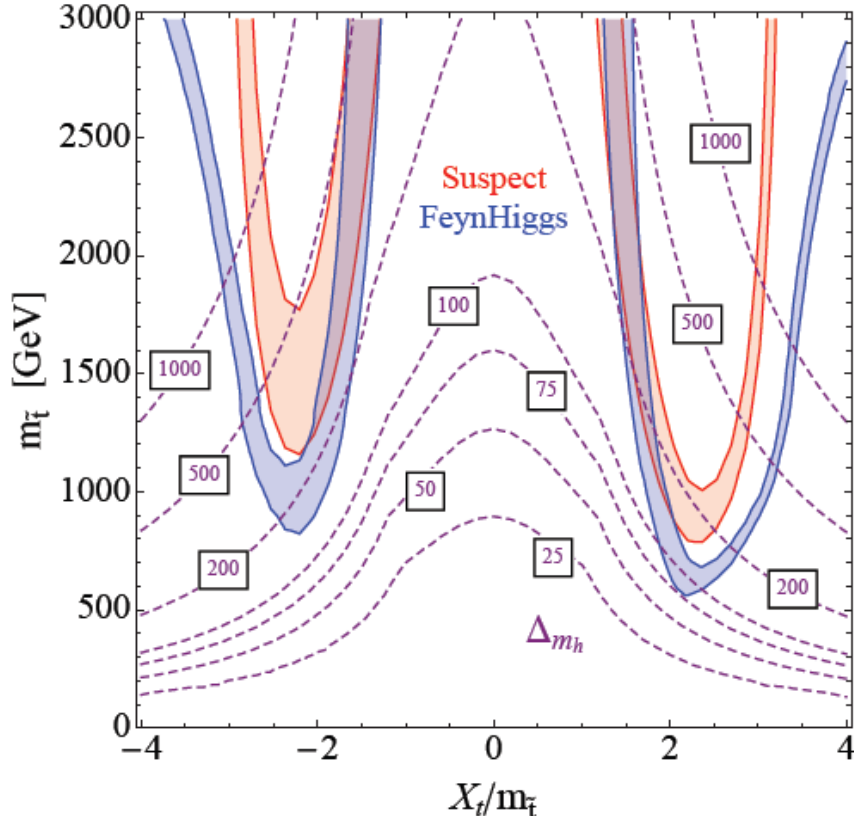
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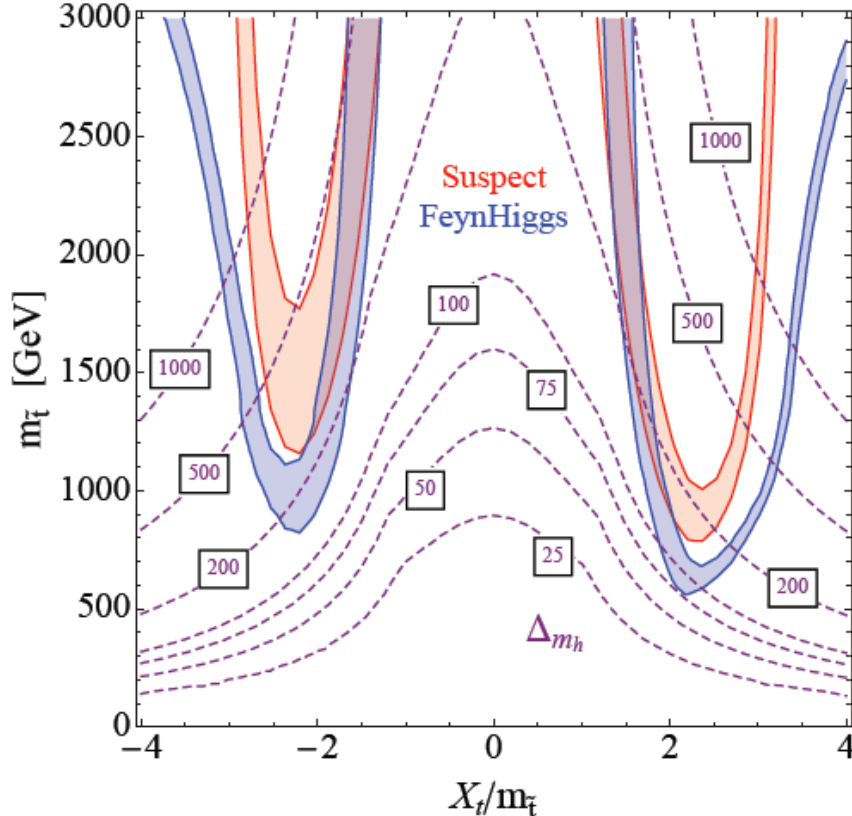
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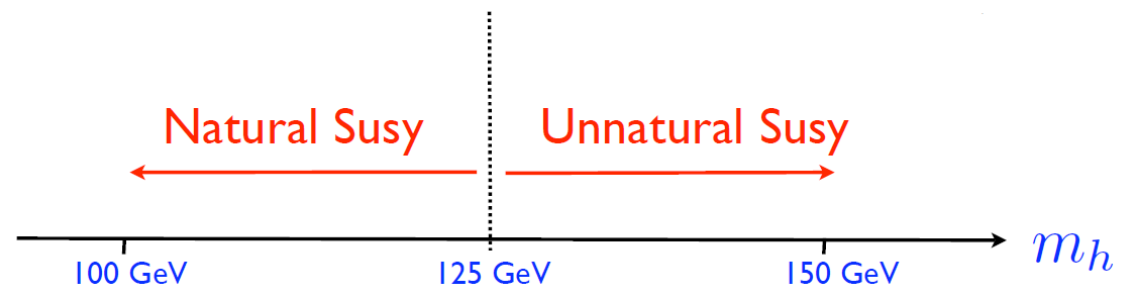
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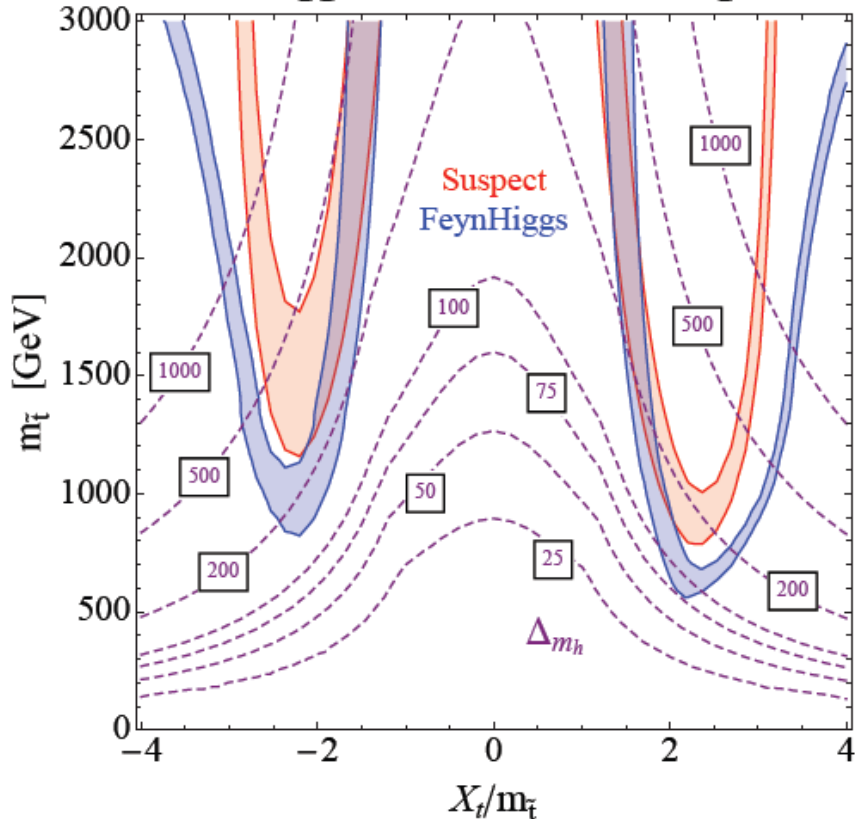
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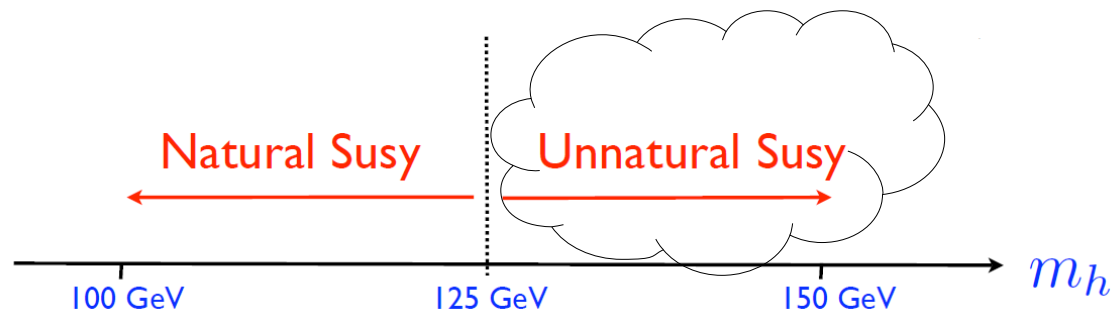
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# Higgs to di-photon rate beyond the MSSM

## An (incomplete) list of references:

1112.2703, Hall, Pinner, Ruderman

$\lambda_{\text{susy}}$ , enhancement of the di-photon rate through the **suppression of the  $bb$  width**  
(sizable mixing between the two Higgs doublets)

1112.3548, Ellwanger

1203.3446, Vasquez, Belanger, Böhm, Da Silva, Richardson, Wymant

1203.5048, Ellwanger

1210.1976, Belanger, Ellwanger, Gunion, Jiang, Kraml

**NMSSM** with  $h \sim H_2$ , enhancement of the di-photon rate through the **suppression of the  $bb$  width**  
(sizable singlet component of the Higgs)

1207.1545: Gunion, Jiang, Kraml

**NMSSM**: enhancement of the di-photon rate since coming from **two degenerate Higgs bosons**

1207.2473: An, Liu, Wang

**MSSM+ gauged U(1) symmetry**: enhancement of the di-photon rate through loops of the **fermions curing the gauge anomaly**

1207.6596, Delgado, Nardini, Quiros

**MSSM+Higgs triplet of SU(2)**: enhancement of the di-photon rate through **chargino loops**

1208.1683: Schmidt, Staub

**NMSSM+R-symmetry**: enhancement of the di-photon rate through **chargino, charged Higgs loops**

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# Phenomenology of the light stau model

EWPTs

Vacuum stability

Dark matter constraints



Constraints

$(g-2)_\mu$



Predictions

How to look for these light staus: direct searches

It is noteworthy that in spite LHC is pushing higher and higher the bound on the mass of gluinos and squarks of the first two generations, models with electroweakinos (sleptons, charginos) at  $\sim 100$  GeV are still consistent with the data!



# Electroweak Precision Tests

**Staus:** very light NP states charged under  $SU(2) \times U(1)$



too large contribution to EWPTs?

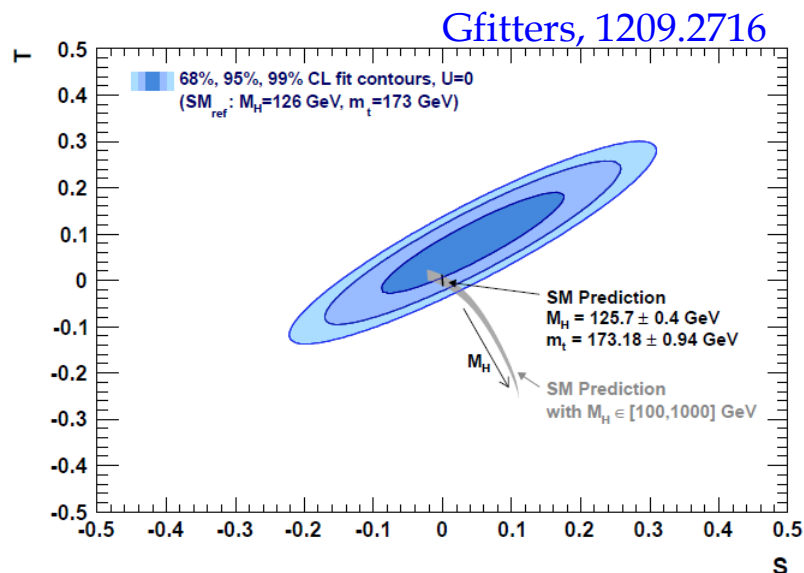
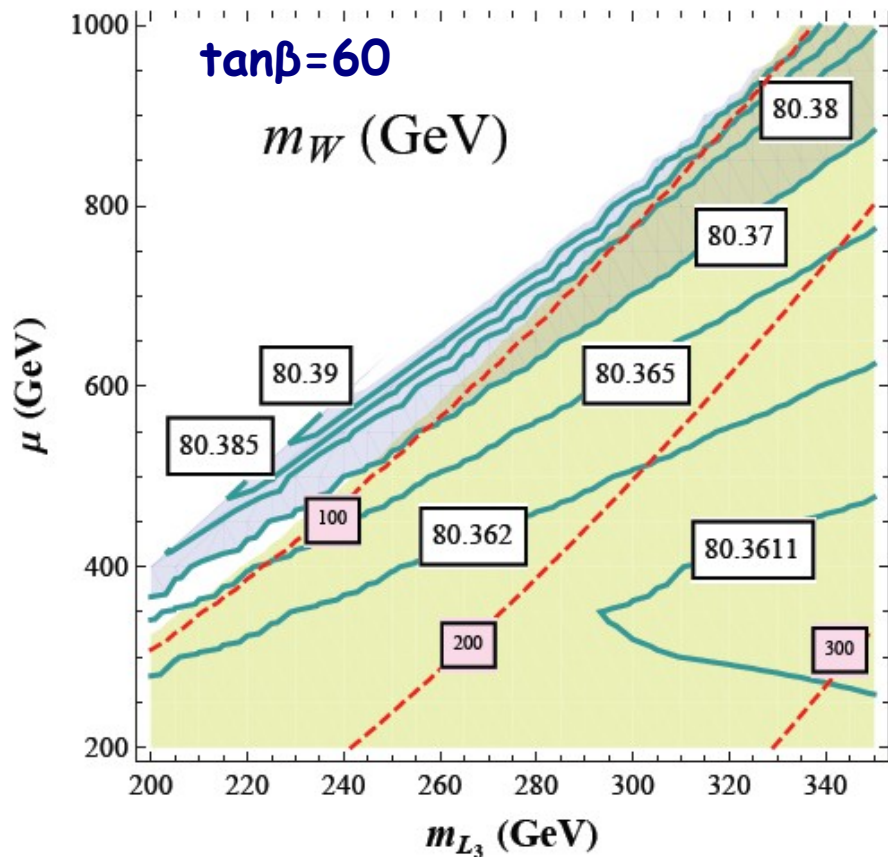
New measurement of  $M_W$ :

$$(80.385 \pm 0.015) \text{ MeV}$$

FERMILAB-TM-2532-E, 2012

$$\Delta M_W \simeq \frac{M_W}{2} \frac{\cos^2 \theta_W}{\cos^2 \theta_W - \sin^2 \theta_W} \alpha \Delta T$$

Heinemeyer, Hollik, Weiglein, 0412214



It corresponds to a contribution of (at most)

$$\Delta T \lesssim 0.1$$

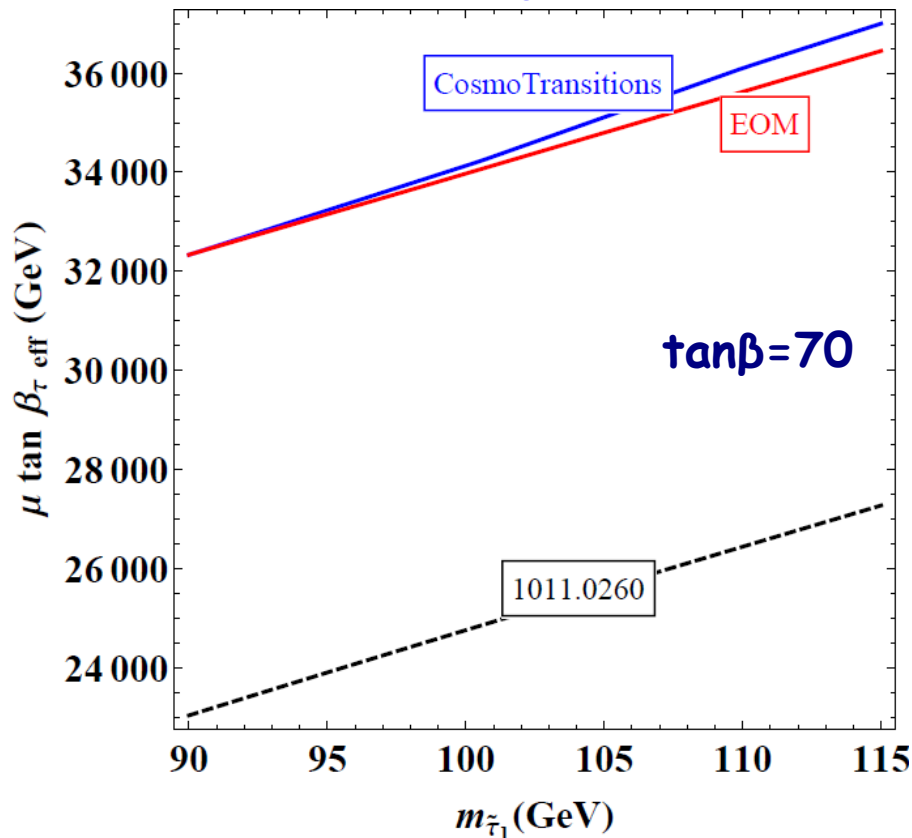
# Vacuum stability

Possible instability in the Higgs-staus potential:

$$V \supset -2y_\tau \mu \tilde{L} \tilde{\tau} \phi_u + \tilde{L}^2 \tilde{\tau}^2 \left( y_\tau^2 - \frac{g_1^2}{2} \right)$$

At the tree level:  $y_\tau \mu = \sqrt{2} \frac{m_\tau}{v \cos \beta} \mu \sim \sqrt{2} \frac{m_\tau}{v} \mu \tan \beta$

Carena, SG, Low, Shah, Wagner, to appear



Bound in Hisano, Sugiyama, 1011.0260

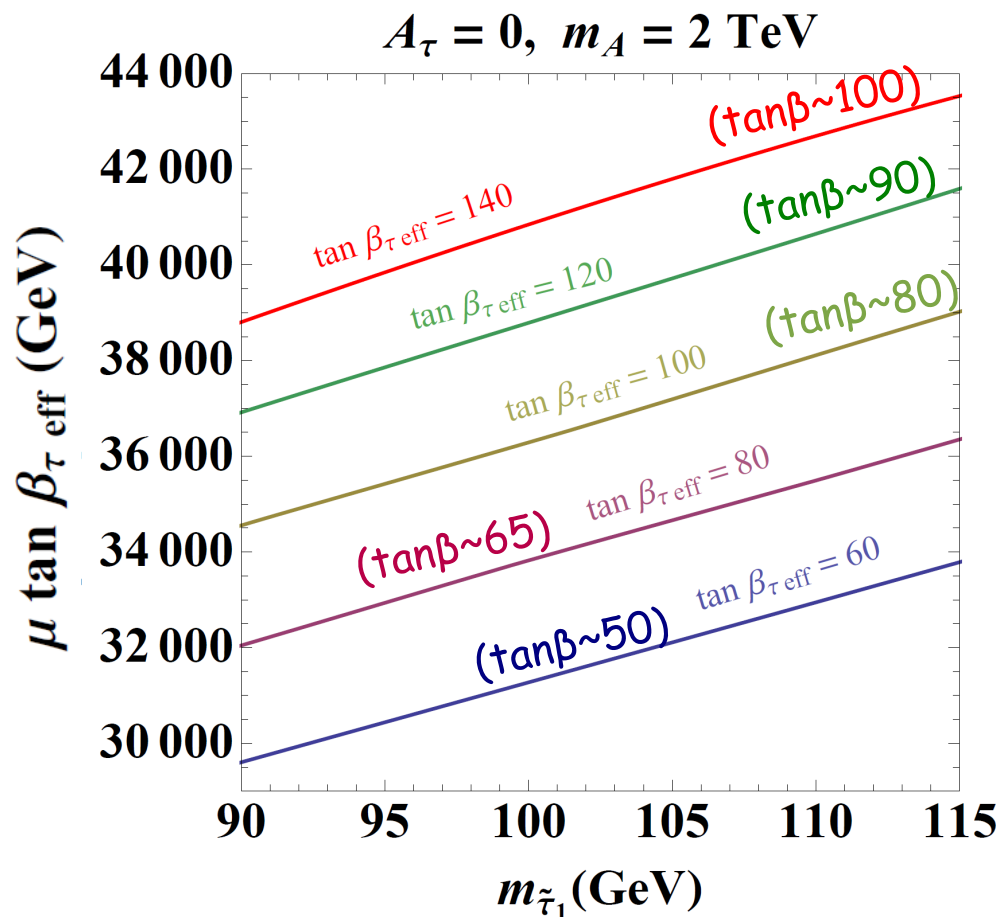
$$|\mu \tan \beta| < 76.9 \sqrt{m_{L_3} m_{E_3}} + 38.7(m_{L_3} + m_{E_3}) - 1.04 \times 10^4 \text{ GeV}$$

Kitahara, 1208.4752: with this bound enhancement of the  $\gamma\gamma$  rate larger than  $\sim 30\%$  are not possible

# Vacuum stability

However this does not take into account the  $\tan\beta$  dependence

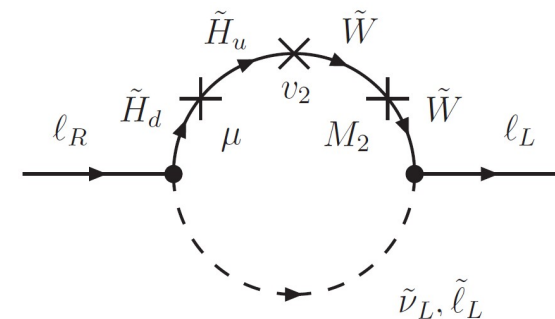
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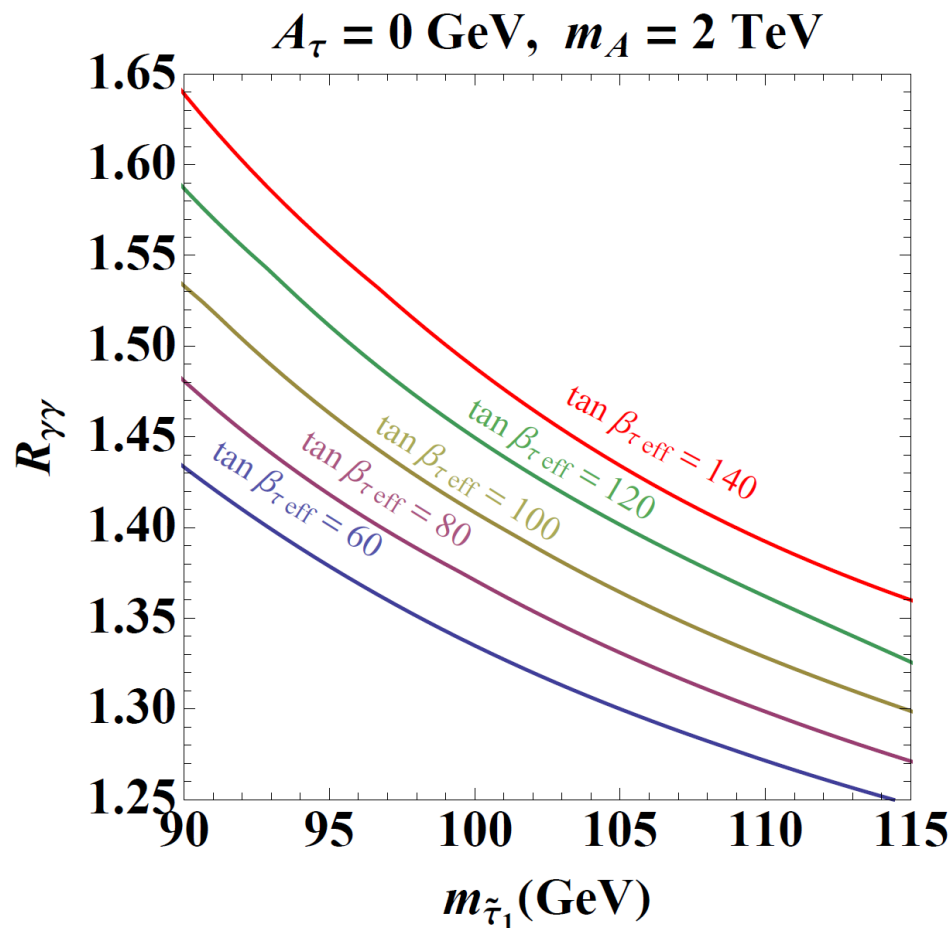
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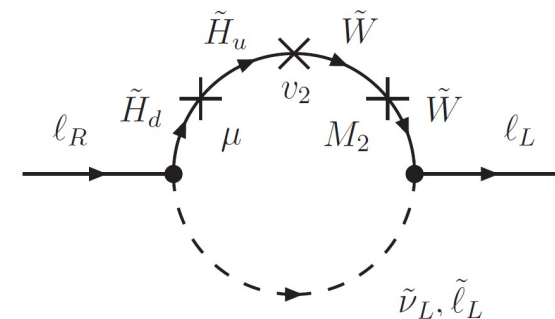
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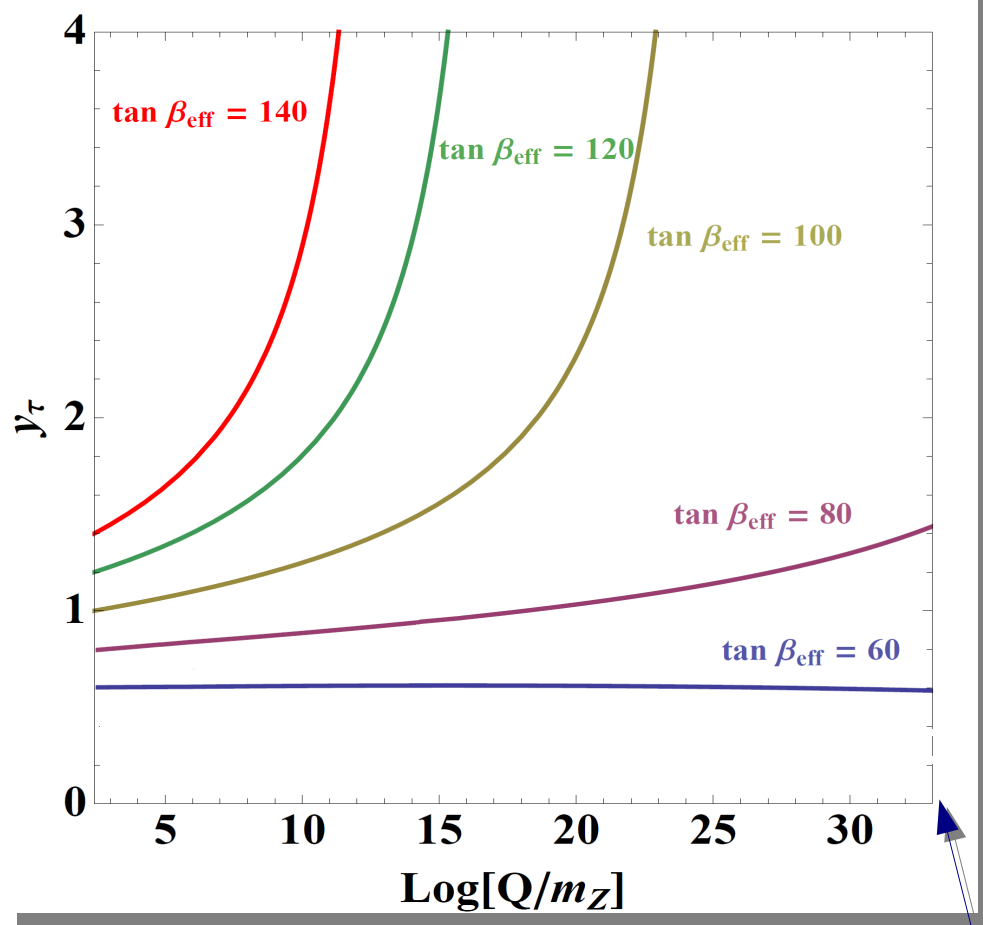
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# What if a larger di-photon enhancement?

This result would **univocally** point towards the existence of a **NP scale** of the physics beyond the **MSSM**

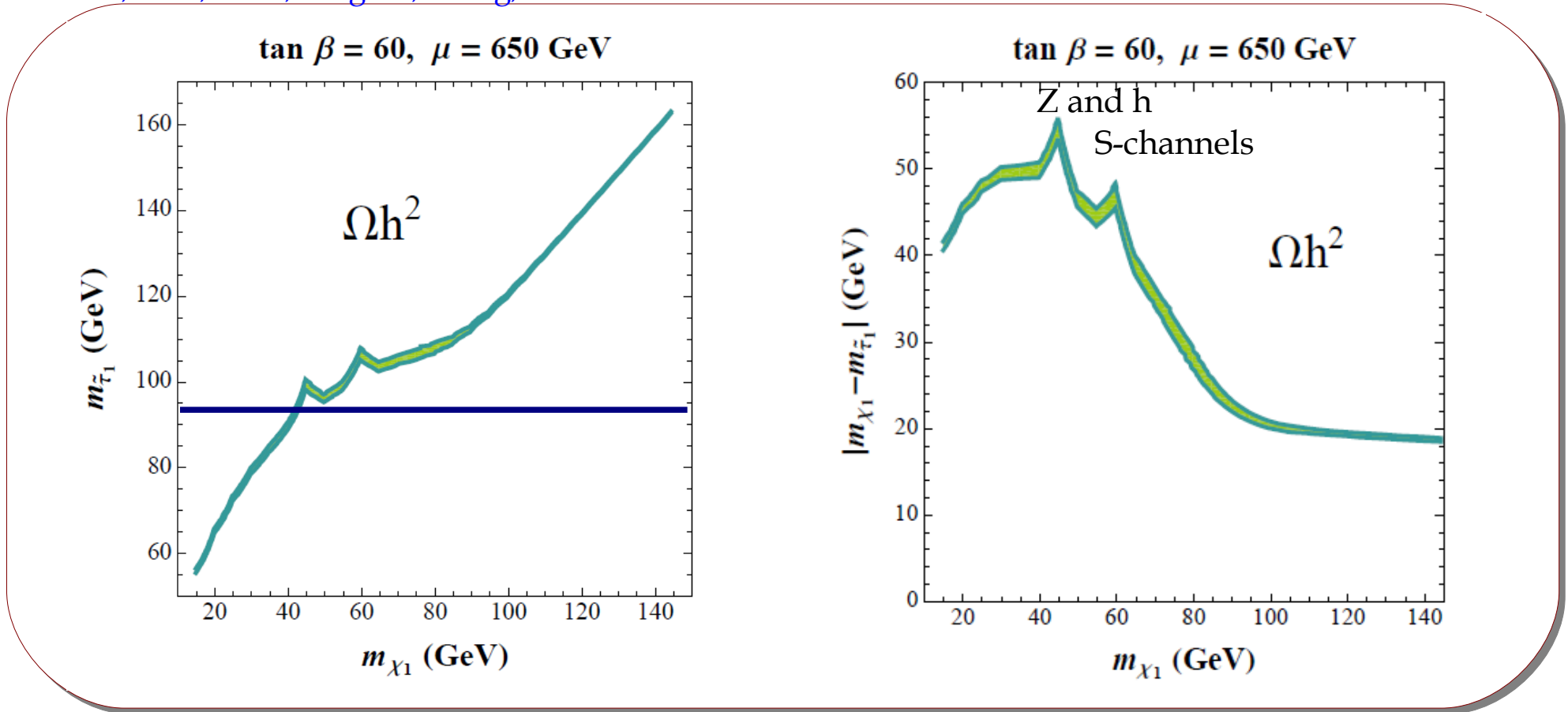


Using light staus, „only“ 50-60% enhancements of the di-photon rate are feasible if the MSSM is perturbative until the GUT scale

GUT scale

# Some handle from Dark Matter?

Carena, Gori, Shah, Wagner, Wang, 1205.5842



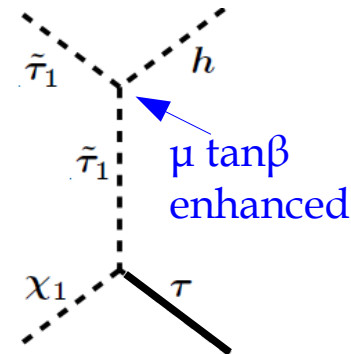
LSP= lightest neutralino (mainly bino)

Main coannihilation channel:

$$\chi_1 \tilde{\tau}_1 \rightarrow h \tau$$

In the region of interest:

$$m_{\chi_1} \sim 30 - 40 \text{ GeV}$$

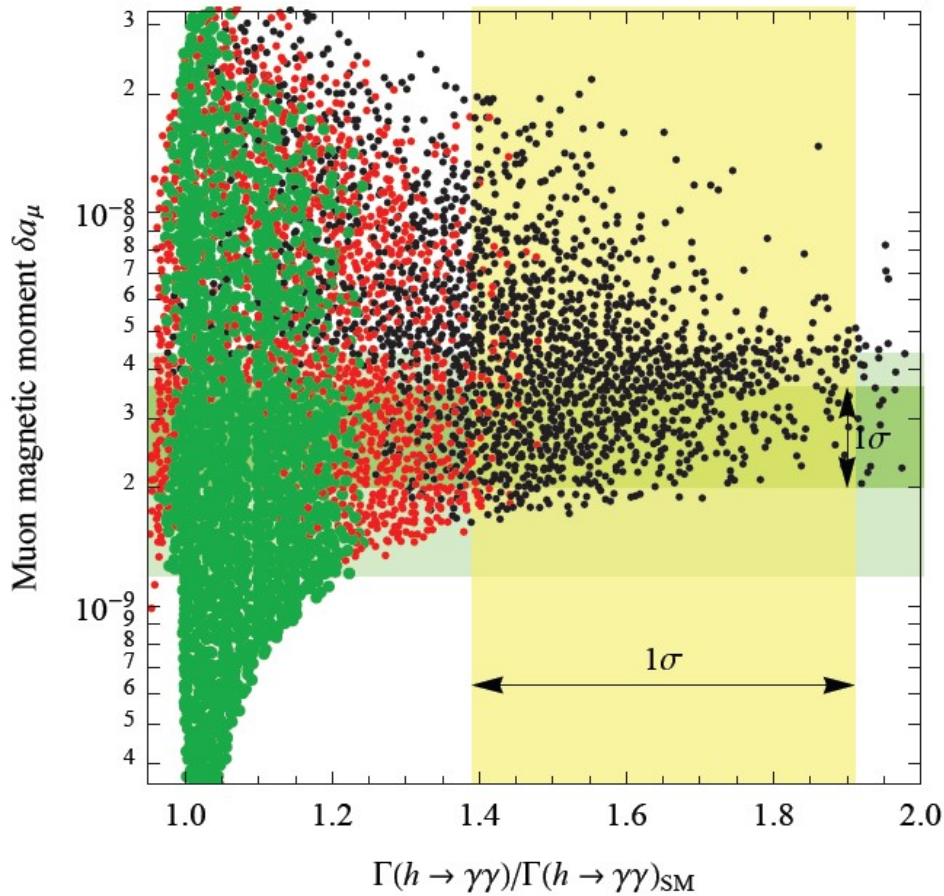


See also Belanger, Biswas, Böhm, Mukhopadhyaya, 1206.5404

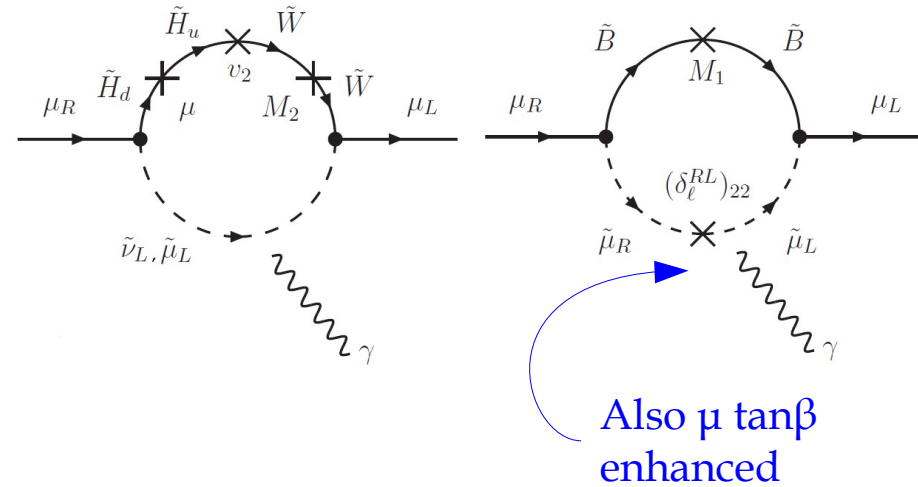
$(g-2)_\mu$

$$\delta a_\mu = a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = (2.8 \pm 0.8) 10^{-9}$$

Giudice, Paradisi, Strumia, 1207.6393



$m_{\tilde{\tau}_1} > 100 \text{ GeV}, m_{\tilde{\tau}_2} > 80 \text{ GeV}$



Correlation arising in the hypothesis of

- ◆ degenerate slepton soft masses at the EW scale
- ◆  $M_1$  scanned in such a way that the LSP is neutral and the stau is the NLSP
- ◆ Slepton soft masses below the TeV

# Staus direct searches

- ♦ LEP bound on the stau mass: [Aleph, 0112011](#)  
(85-90) GeV in the case of no degeneracy with the lightest neutralino
- ♦ CMS bound on **long lived staus**: 223 GeV [1205.0272](#)  
Not applicable to our model since our staus are promptly decaying
- ♦ CMS & ATLAS **multilepton searches**  $\tilde{\chi}^{\pm} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}^0 W, l\tilde{\nu}, \tilde{l}\nu, \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 Z, l\tilde{l}$   
3 or more leptons final states [1204.5341, 1208.3144](#)  
And also limits on sleptons produced in cascade decays
- ♦ ATLAS: searches for **staus NLSP** produced from gluino & squark **cascade decays**.  
Up to 4 leptons, jets and missing energy signature. [ATLAS-CONF-2012-112](#)  
The limits are model dependent and not applicable if squarks and gluinos are heavy

**Improved strategies to look for our light staus?**

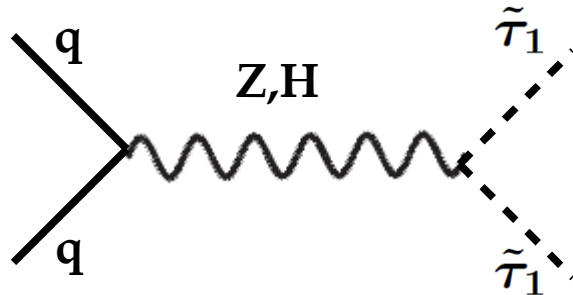


# Proposing new channels

Carena, Gori, Shah, Wagner, Wang, 1205.5842

## Direct production of staus/sneutrinos

1)  $pp \rightarrow \tilde{\tau}_1 \tilde{\tau}_1 \rightarrow (\tau \text{ LSP})(\tau \text{ LSP})$



Production cross section for staus at  $\sim 95$  GeV:  
 $\sim 55$  fb (8TeV),  $\sim 130$  fb (14TeV)

See also Lindert, D. Steffen, Trenkel, 1106.4005

Main backgrounds:  $Z + Z/\gamma^*$ ,  $WW$ ,  $W$ +jets

Veto on the invariant mass close to  $m_Z$

Cut on the  $p_T$  of the taus  $> m_W/2$

Difficult to reduce reasonably: jet rejection factor 20-50 for loose hadronic taus (id $\sim$ 60%)

What about taus decaying leptonically?

Work in progress

Talking to experimentalists:

Possible large improvement in the tau identification/jet rejection in the near future

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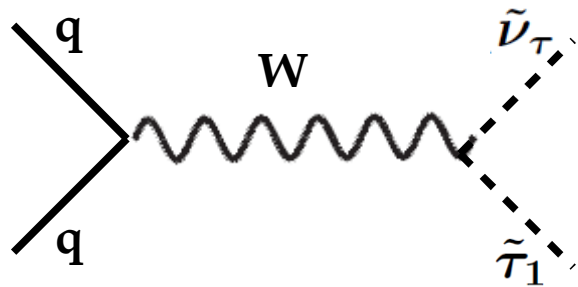
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## Direct production of staus/sneutrinos

$$2) \quad pp \rightarrow \tilde{\tau}_1 \tilde{\nu}_\tau \rightarrow \cancel{e} \tau \tau \cancel{E}_T$$

( $\tilde{\tau}_1 \rightarrow \tau \text{ LSP}$ ,  $\tilde{\nu}_\tau \rightarrow W \tilde{\tau}_1$ ,  $W \rightarrow \cancel{e} \nu$ )

Additional lepton: easier search,  
even if statistically limited



Production cross section for staus at  $\sim 95$  GeV,  
sneutrino  $\sim 270$  GeV:  
 $\sim 15$  fb (8TeV),  $\sim 40$  fb (14TeV)

Main backgrounds:  $W + Z/\gamma^*$ ,  $W + \text{jets}$

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	Total (fb)	Basic (fb)	Hard Tau (fb)
Signal	1.6	0.26	0.11
Physical background, $W + Z/\gamma^*$	27	0.32	$\lesssim 10^{-3}$
$W + \text{jets}$ background	$10^4$	39	0.25

14  
TeV

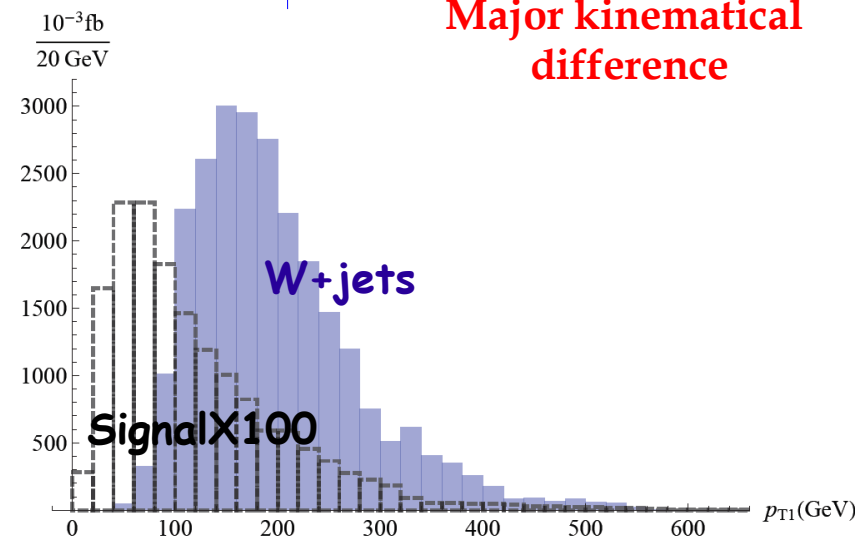
Estimation at the parton level,  
A more careful analysis would  
be needed

2-loose taus  $p_T^\ell > 85 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $p_T^{\tau_1} < 80 \text{ GeV}$   
 $p_T^\tau > 10 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\cancel{E}_T > 85 \text{ GeV}$   
 $\Delta R > 0.4$

Major kinematical  
difference

Comparable numbers (after cuts)  
at the 8 TeV LHC

Motivate experimentalists to perform  
a dedicated search to  
validate these results



# Conclusions

If LHC will find a Higgs (at  $\sim 125$  GeV) with enhanced  $\gamma\gamma$  rate

↳ **Light staus with large mixing** provide a good candidate to look for

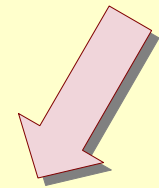
Further enhancement due to **Higgs mixing** are possible

↳ Little enhancement also of the other channels (WW, ZZ)

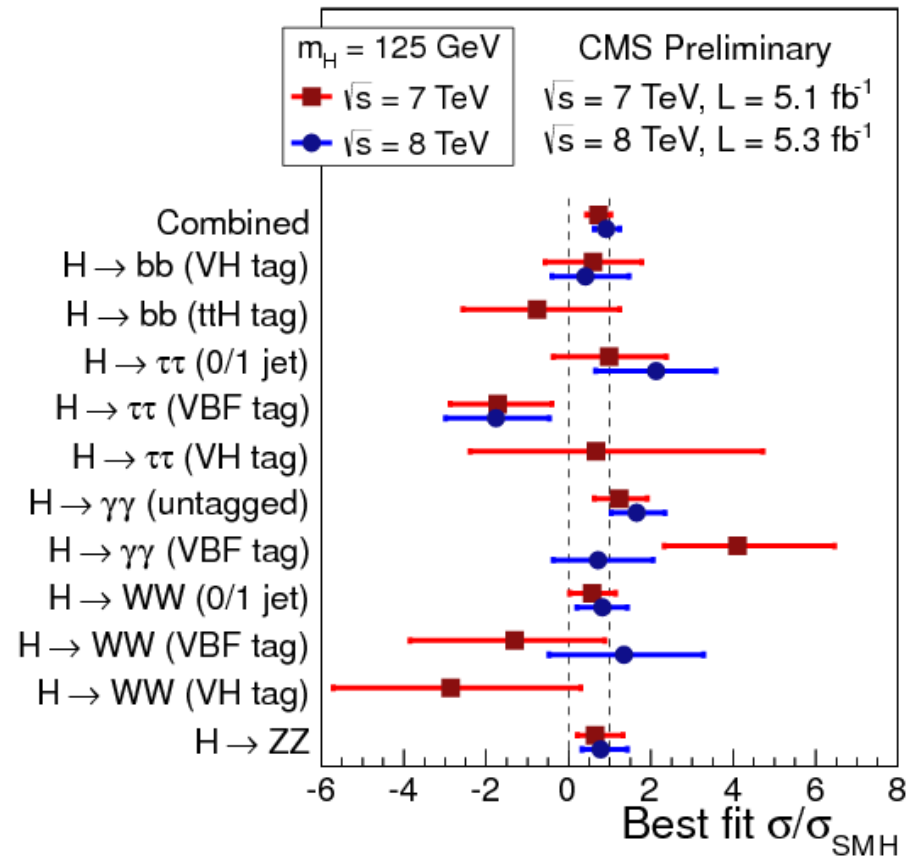
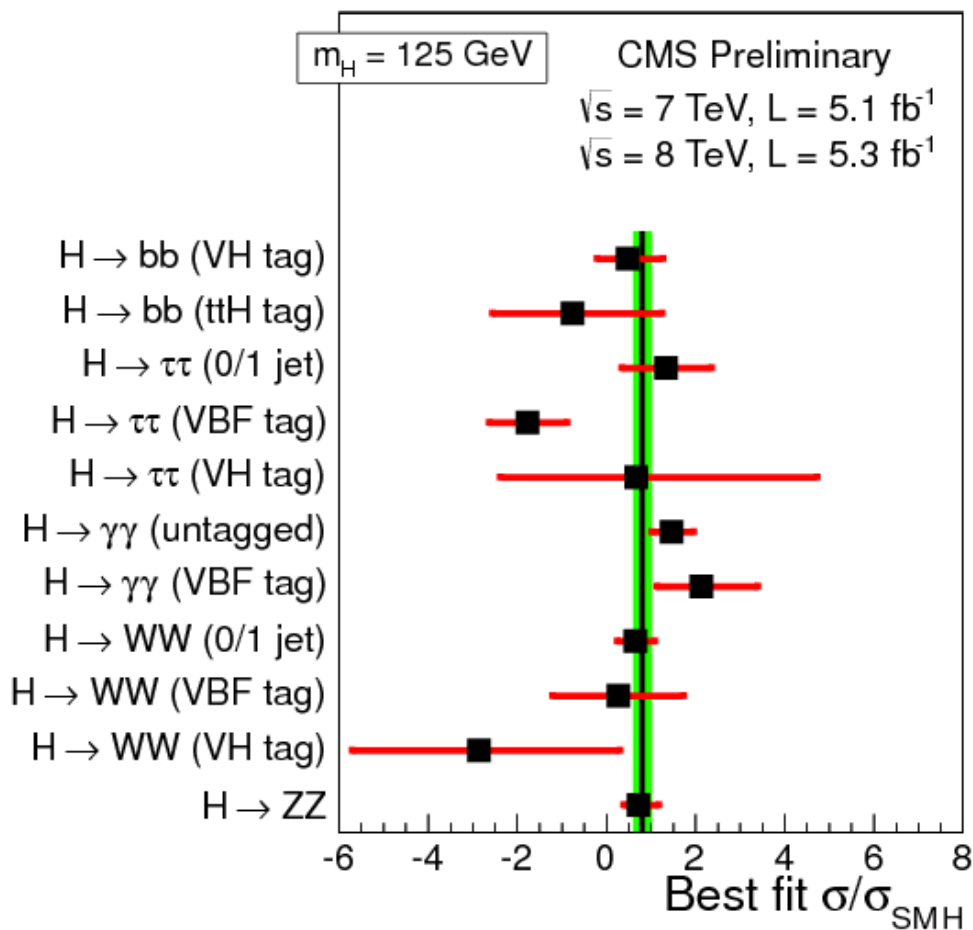
Possible modification of the **Higgs production cross section** thanks to light stops

**Light staus with large mixing:**

- ♦ Good fit of electroweak precision observables
- ♦ Relatively light neutralino LSP to have a good DM candidate
- ♦  $(g-2)_\mu$  in agreement with the experimental measurement (under a reasonable set of assumptions)
- ♦ Possibility of **discovering** them directly at the 14TeV LHC, through **weak production**, even if all the other scalars of the theory are very heavy (beyond the reach of the LHC)



# CMS Higgs results, more detail



# Higgs mass in the pMSSM

In the „quasi decoupling limit“:  
 $(m_A \gg \lambda v)$

$$\mathcal{M}_{stop}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} m_{Q_3}^2 + m_t^2 + D_L & m_t X_t \\ m_t X_t & m_{u_3}^2 + m_t^2 + D_R \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m_h^2 \sim m_Z^2 \cos^2(2\beta) + \underbrace{\frac{3}{4\pi^2} \frac{m_t^4}{v^2} \left( \frac{\tilde{X}_t}{2} + \log \frac{M_{Susy}^2}{m_t^2} \right)}_{\text{Stop loop contributions}}$$

Stop loop contributions

Valid in the approximation  $m_{Q_3} \sim m_{u_3}$

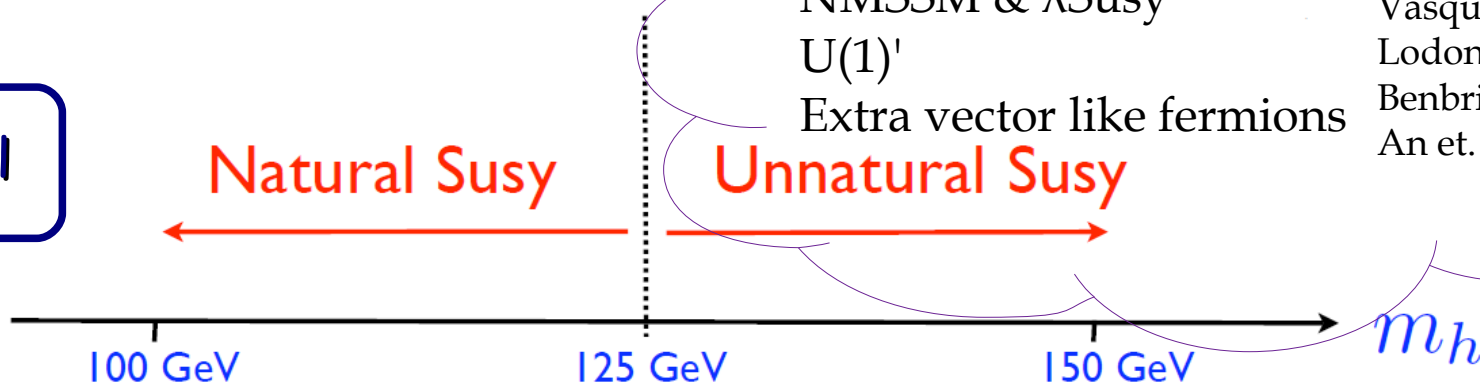
$$\begin{cases} \tilde{X}_t = \frac{2X_t^2}{M_{Susy}^2} \left( 1 - \frac{X_t^2}{12M_{Susy}^2} \right) \\ X_t = A_t - \frac{\mu}{\tan \beta} \end{cases}$$

Stop mixing

L. Hall

Natural Susy

Unnatural Susy



Extensions of the MSSM:

NMSSM &  $\lambda$ Susy

U(1)'

Extra vector like fermions

Hall et. al., 1112.2703

Ellwanger, 1112.3548

Boudjema et. al., 1203.3141

Vasquez et.al., 1203.3446

Lodone, 1203.6227

Benbrik et. al., 1207.1096

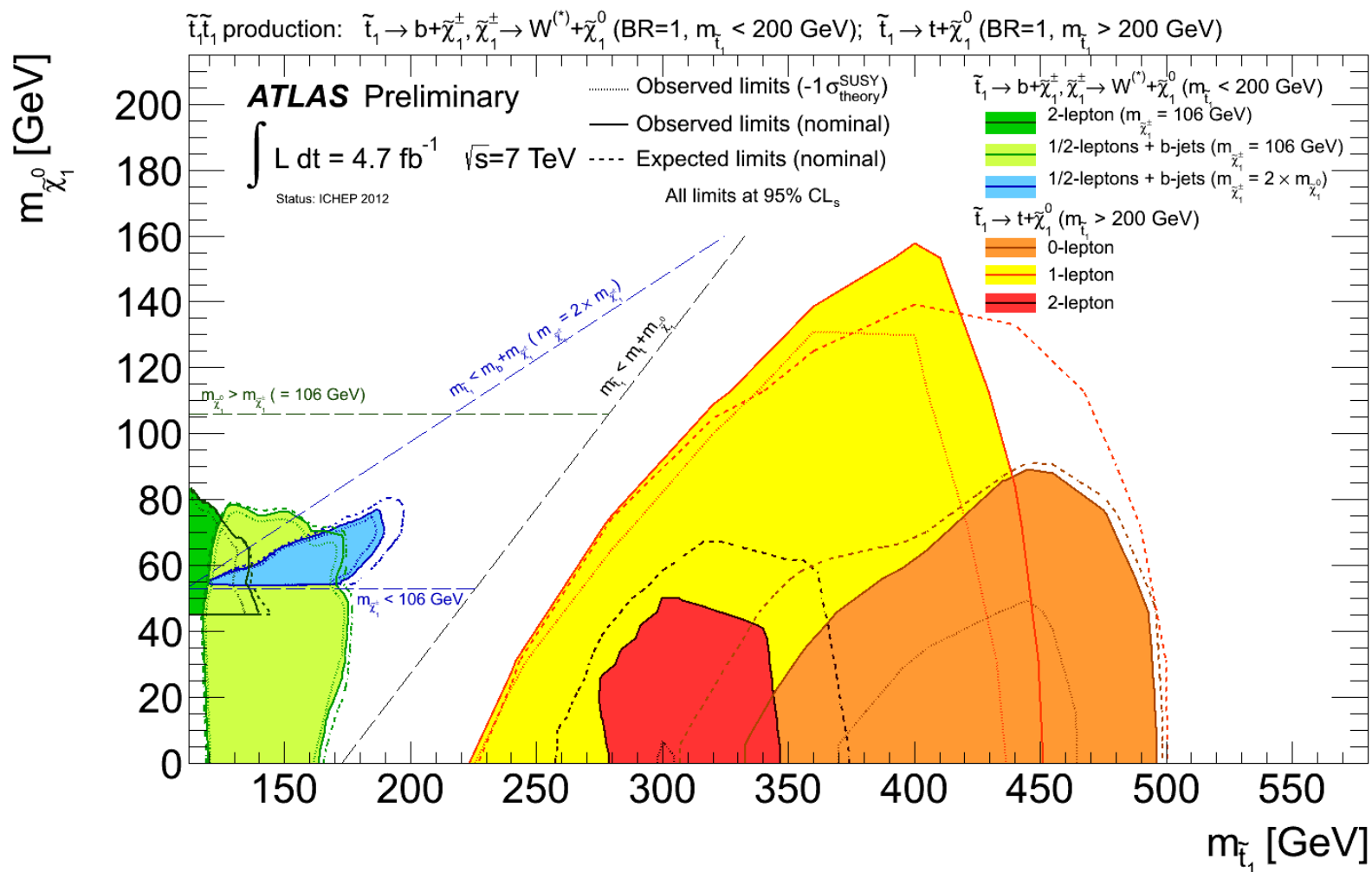
An et. al., 1207.2473

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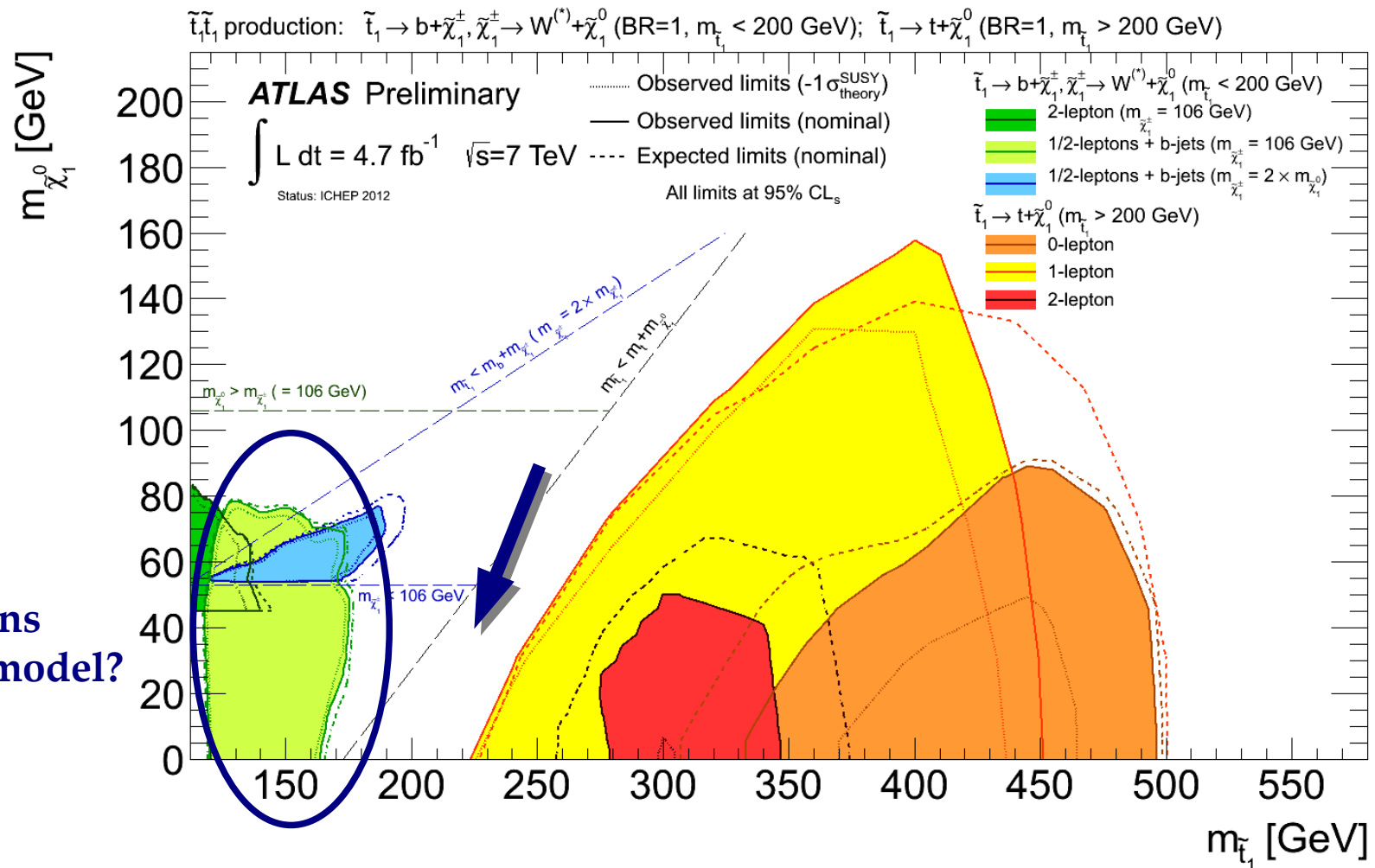
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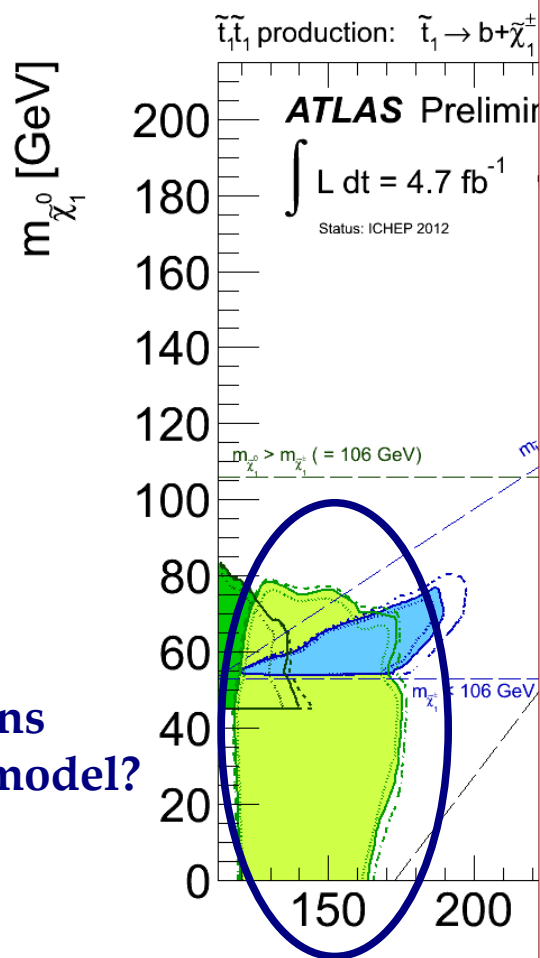


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Carena, SG, Shah, Wagner, Wang, work in progress

The decay  $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow W\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  is usually suppressed

thanks to the opening up of new decay modes

- $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{\tau}_1 b \nu_\tau$  To recast multilepton searches
  - $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 c$  CDF bound:  $m_{\text{stop}} > 120 \text{ GeV}$  if 100% decaying in this final state and neutralino mass  $\sim 30\text{-}40 \text{ GeV}$
- 0707.2567

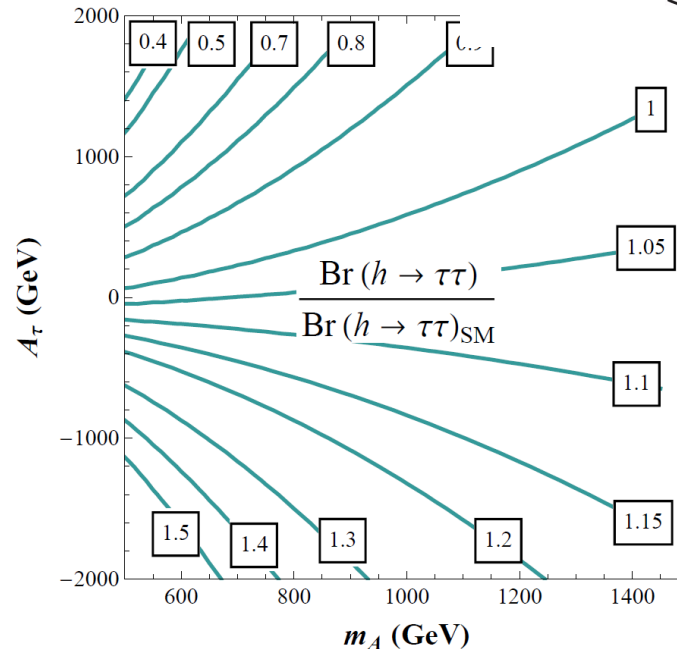
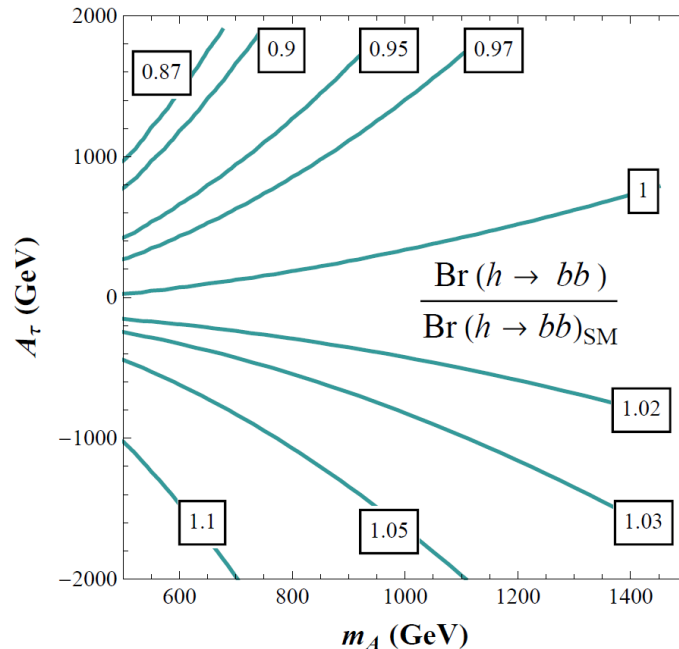
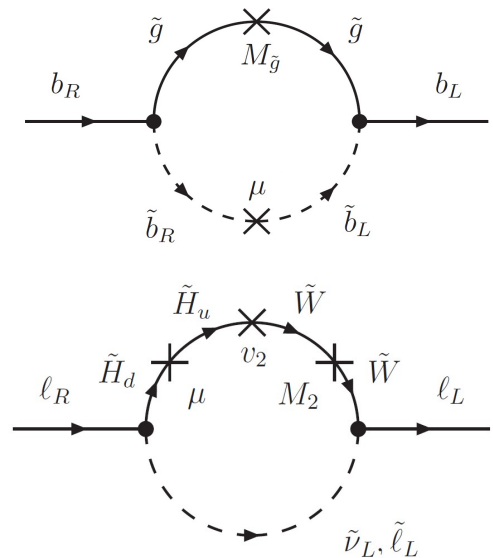
# bb and $\tau\tau$ modes

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$$g_{hbb, h\tau\tau} = -h_{b,\tau} \sin \alpha + \Delta h_{b,\tau} \cos \alpha$$

$$g_{hbb, h\tau\tau} = -\frac{m_{b,\tau} \sin \alpha}{v \cos \beta (1 + \Delta_{b,\tau})} \left[ 1 - \frac{\Delta_{b,\tau}}{\tan \beta \tan \alpha} \right]$$

$$\frac{g_{hbb}}{g_{h\tau\tau}} = \frac{m_b (1 + \Delta_\tau) (1 - \Delta_b / (\tan \beta \tan \alpha))}{m_\tau (1 + \Delta_b) (1 - \Delta_\tau / (\tan \beta \tan \alpha))}$$



$A_t = 2\text{TeV}$ ,  $m_{Q_3} = 1.65\text{TeV}$ ,  $m_{u_3} = 200\text{GeV}$ ,  $m_{L_3} = m_{e_3} = 280\text{GeV}$ ,  $\tan \beta = 60$

# MSSM Higgs properties

At the tree level

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \xi_u^h = \frac{\cos \alpha}{\sin \beta} \\ \xi_d^h = \xi_l^h = -\frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \beta} \\ \xi_V^h = \sin(\beta - \alpha) \end{array} \right.$$

Higgs mixing angle

+

Couplings normalized to the SM value

Couplings with sparticles and additional Higgs bosons



Giving the effective couplings

$$\xi_\gamma^h, \xi_g^h$$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow h \rightarrow X_{SM}) = \sigma(pp \rightarrow h) \frac{\Gamma(h \rightarrow X_{SM})}{\Gamma_{tot}}$$

Main contribution coming from gluon gluon fusion,

Dominated by  $\Gamma_{bb}$

# Is this the Higgs boson?

## New program: Higgs Identification

What makes a Higgs a Higgs?

- 1) **Spin 0** boson
  - Spin 1 is excluded, but spin 2 is hard to exclude
- 2) **CP even**
  - Pure CP odd should be ruled out or in this year
- 3) Taking a **vev** and breaking  $SU(2) \times U(1)$

An (incomplete) list

Chivukula et. al. 1207.0450

Coleppa et. al. 1208.2692

Bellazzini et. al. 1209.3299

Chacko et. al. 1209.3259, ...

Well motivated „Higgs imposter“

**Dilaton** (conformal strong dynamics)

**Radion** (warped extra dimensional models)

**Plain singlets & triplets** (extended Higgs sectors)

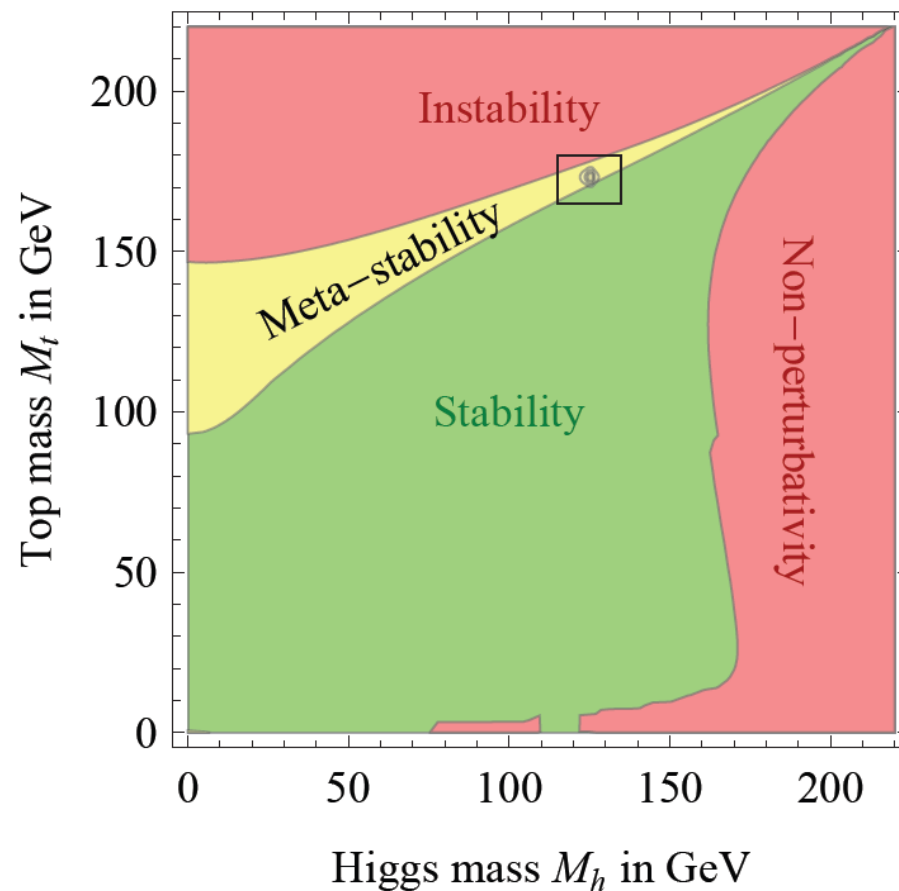
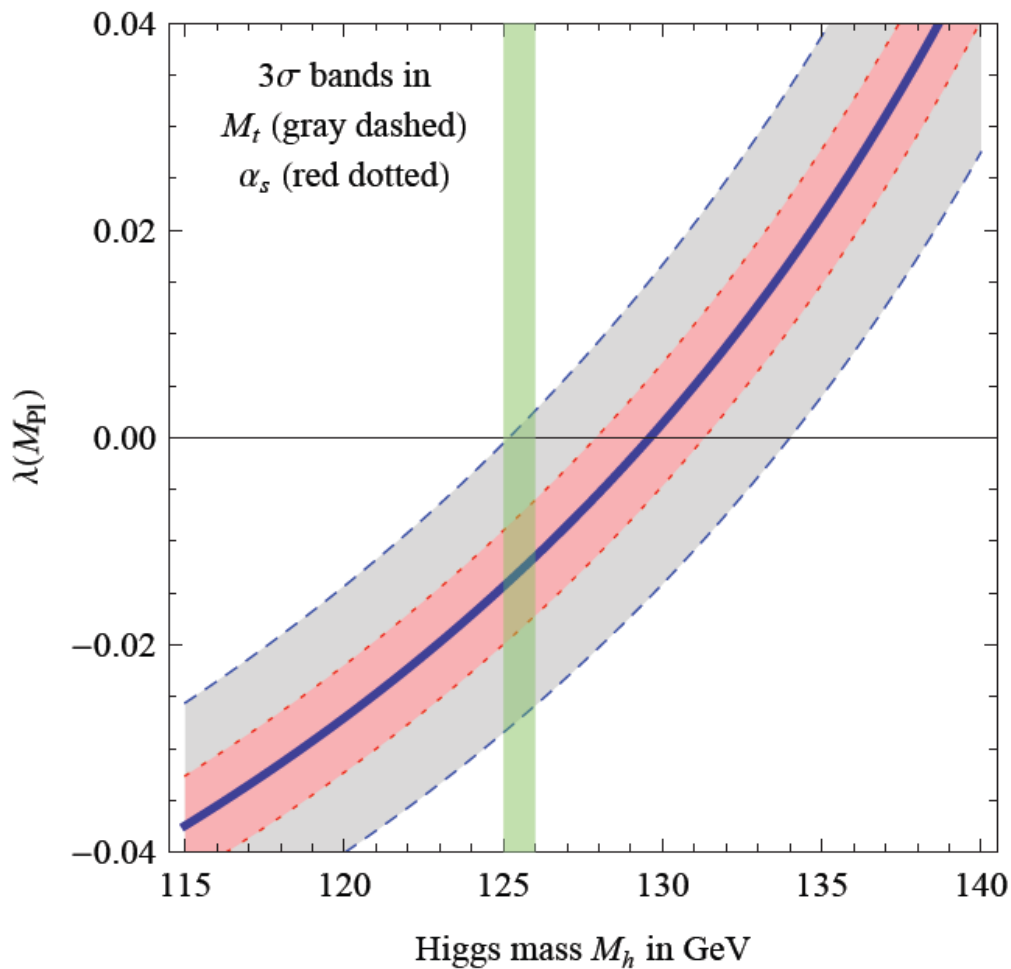
Low, Lykken,

Shaughnessy

1207.1093

Let me call the new boson **the Higgs boson**

# A good mass also for theorists?



Degrassi, Di Vita, Miro, Espinosa, Giudice, Isidori, Strumia,  
1205.6497