

# SUSY phenomenology

## Part 2

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We have seen the two key features of the MSSM that impact Higgs physics:

- There are two Higgs doublets.
- The scalar potential is constrained by the form of the supersymmetric Lagrangian.

Let's start with a closer look at each of these.

The MSSM requires two Higgs doublets  
Reason #1: generating quark masses

The SM Higgs doublet is  $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$ , with  $\langle \phi^0 \rangle = v/\sqrt{2}$ .

Generate the down-type quark masses:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} &= -y_d \bar{d}_R \Phi^\dagger Q_L + \text{h.c.} \\ &= -y_d \bar{d}_R (\phi^-, \phi^{0*}) \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.} \\ &= -y_d \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{d}_R d_L + \bar{d}_L d_R) + \text{interactions} \\ &= -m_d \bar{d} d + \text{interactions}\end{aligned}$$

Generate the up-type quark masses:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = -y_u \bar{u}_R \Phi^\dagger Q_L + \text{h.c.}?$$

**Does not work!** Need to put the vev in the upper component of the Higgs doublet.

Can sort this out by using the **conjugate doublet  $\tilde{\Phi}$** :

[not to be confused with a superpartner....]

$$\tilde{\Phi} \equiv i\sigma_2\Phi^* = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi^- \\ \phi^{0*} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{0*} \\ -\phi^- \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} &= -y_u \bar{u}_R \tilde{\Phi}^\dagger Q_L + \text{h.c.} \\ &= -y_u \bar{u}_R (\phi^0, -\phi^+) \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.} \\ &= -y_u \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{u}_R u_L + \bar{u}_L u_R) + \text{interactions} \\ &= -m_u \bar{u}u + \text{interactions} \end{aligned}$$

Works fine in the SM!

But in SUSY we can't do this, because  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}}$  comes from  $-\frac{1}{2}W^{ij}\psi_i\psi_j + \text{c.c.}$  with  $W^{ij} = M^{ij} + y^{ijk}\phi_k$ .

$W$  must be analytic in  $\phi$

→ not allowed to use complex conjugates.

Instead, need a **second Higgs doublet** with opposite hypercharge:

$$H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} H_1^0 \\ H_1^- \end{pmatrix} \quad H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} H_2^+ \\ H_2^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} &= -y_d \bar{d}_R \epsilon_{ij} H_1^i Q_L^j - y_u \bar{u}_R \epsilon_{ij} H_2^i Q_L^j + \text{h.c.} && \text{ok!} \\ &= -y_d \frac{v_1}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{d}d - y_u \frac{v_2}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}u + \text{interactions} \end{aligned}$$

[lepton masses work just like down-type quarks]

Two important features:

- Both doublets contribute to the  $W$  mass, so need  $v_1^2 + v_2^2 = v_{\text{SM}}^2$ .  
Ratio of vevs is not constrained; define parameter  $\tan \beta \equiv v_2/v_1$ .

-  $\tan \beta$  shows up in couplings when  $y_i$  are re-expressed in terms of fermion masses.

$$y_d = \frac{\sqrt{2}m_d}{v_{\text{SM}} \cos \beta}$$

$$y_u = \frac{\sqrt{2}m_u}{v_{\text{SM}} \sin \beta}$$

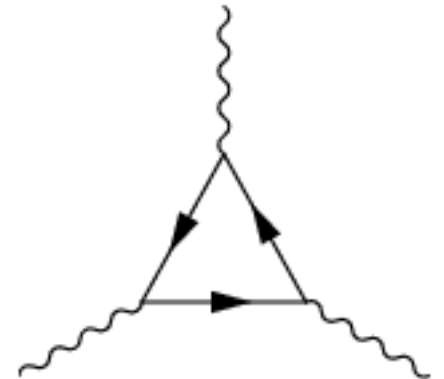
$$y_\ell = \frac{\sqrt{2}m_\ell}{v_{\text{SM}} \cos \beta}$$

The MSSM requires two Higgs doublets  
Reason #2: anomaly cancellation

Chiral fermions (where the left-handed and right-handed fermions have different couplings) can cause **chiral anomalies**.

anomaly diagram →

Breaks the gauge symmetry—generally very bad.



**Standard Model:** chiral anomalies all miraculously cancel within one fermion generation:

pure hypercharge :  $\sum_{\text{all } f} Y_f^3 = 0$

hypercharge and QCD :  $\sum_{\text{all } q} Y_q = 0$

hypercharge and SU(2) :  $\sum_{\text{weak doublets}} Y_d = 0$

Higgs has no effect on this since it's not a chiral fermion.

**Supersymmetric models:** Higgs is now part of a chiral supermultiplet. Paired up with chiral fermions! (Higgsinos)

The Higgsinos contribute to the chiral anomalies.

One Higgs doublet: carries hypercharge and SU(2) quantum numbers; gives nonzero  $Y_f^3$  and  $Y_d$  anomalies.

To solve this, introduce a second Higgs doublet with opposite hypercharge: sum of anomalies cancels.

[This is exactly the same as the requirement from generating up and down quark masses.]

MSSM is the **minimal** supersymmetric extension of the SM.

- Minimal SUSY Higgs sector is 2 doublets.
- More complicated extensions can have larger Higgs content (but must contain an even number of doublets).

## Higgs content of the MSSM

Standard Model: 
$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ (v + \phi^{0,r} + i\phi^{0,i})/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Goldstone bosons  $G^+ = \phi^+$ ,  $G^0 = \phi^{0,i}$  “eaten” by  $W^+$  and  $Z$ .
- One physical Higgs state  $H^0 = \phi^{0,r}$ .

MSSM: 
$$H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} (v_1 + \phi_1^{0,r} + i\phi_1^{0,i})/\sqrt{2} \\ \phi_1^- \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2^+ \\ (v_2 + \phi_2^{0,r} + i\phi_2^{0,i})/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \tan \beta \equiv v_2/v_1$$

- Still have one charged and one neutral Goldstone boson:  
 $G^+ = -\cos \beta \phi_1^{-*} + \sin \beta \phi_2^+$        $G^0 = -\cos \beta \phi_1^{0,i} + \sin \beta \phi_2^{0,i}$
- Orthogonal combinations are physical particles: [mixing angle  $\beta$ ]  
 $H^+ = \sin \beta \phi_1^{-*} + \cos \beta \phi_2^+$        $A^0 = \sin \beta \phi_1^{0,i} + \cos \beta \phi_2^{0,i}$
- Two CP-even neutral physical states mix: [mixing angle  $\alpha$ ]  
 $h^0 = -\sin \alpha \phi_1^{0,r} + \cos \alpha \phi_2^{0,r}$        $H^0 = \cos \alpha \phi_1^{0,r} + \sin \alpha \phi_2^{0,r}$



What are these physical states?

Masses and mixing angles are determined by the **Higgs potential**.

For the most general two-Higgs-doublet model:

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

from Haber & Davidson, PRD72, 035004 (2005)

MSSM is much more constrained, because of **supersymmetry**.

Supersymmetric part:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -W_i^* W_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_a g_a^2 (\phi^* T^a \phi)^2$$

recall  $W^i = M^{ij} \phi_j + \frac{1}{2} y^{ijk} \phi_j \phi_k$

The only relevant part of the superpotential is  $W = \mu H_1 H_2$ .  
 The rest of the SUSY-obeying potential comes from the D (gauge) terms,  $V \supset \frac{1}{2} \sum_a g_a^2 (\phi^* T^a \phi)^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{\text{SUSY}} = & |\mu|^2 H_1^\dagger H_1 + |\mu|^2 H_2^\dagger H_2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{8} g'^2 (H_2^\dagger H_2 - H_1^\dagger H_1)^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{8} g^2 (H_1^\dagger \sigma^a H_1 + H_2^\dagger \sigma^a H_2)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Note only one unknown parameter,  $|\mu|^2$ ! ( $g, g'$  are measured.)

But there is also SUSY breaking, which contributes three new quadratic terms:

$$V_{\text{breaking}} = m_{H_1}^2 H_1^\dagger H_1 + m_{H_2}^2 H_2^\dagger H_2 + [b \epsilon_{ij} H_2^i H_1^j + \text{h.c.}]$$

Three more unknown parameters,  $m_{H_1}^2$ ,  $m_{H_2}^2$ , and  $b$ .

Combining and multiplying everything out yields the MSSM Higgs potential, at tree level:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V = & (|\mu|^2 + m_{H_1}^2) (|H_1^0|^2 + |H_1^-|^2) + (|\mu|^2 + m_{H_2}^2) (|H_2^0|^2 + |H_2^+|^2) \\
 & + [b (H_2^+ H_1^- - H_2^0 H_1^0) + \text{h.c.}] \\
 & + \frac{1}{8} (g^2 + g'^2) (|H_2^0|^2 + |H_2^+|^2 - |H_1^0|^2 - |H_1^-|^2)^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} g^2 |H_2^+ H_1^{0*} + H_2^0 H_1^{-*}|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Dimensionful terms:  $(|\mu|^2 + m_{H_{1,2}}^2)$ ,  $b$  set the mass-squared scale.

$\mu$  terms come from F-terms: SUSY-preserving

$m_{H_{1,2}}^2$  and  $b$  terms come directly from soft SUSY breaking

Dimensionless terms: fixed by the gauge couplings  $g$  and  $g'$

D-term contributions: SUSY-preserving

Three relevant unknown parameter combinations:

$(|\mu|^2 + m_{H_1}^2)$ ,  $(|\mu|^2 + m_{H_2}^2)$ , and  $b$ .

[All this is tree-level: it will get modified by radiative corrections.]

The scalar potential fixes the vacuum expectation values, mass eigenstates, and 3- and 4-Higgs couplings.

**Step 1:** Find the minimum of the potential using  $\frac{\partial V}{\partial H_i} = 0$ .

This lets you solve for  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in terms of the Higgs potential parameters. Usually use these relations to eliminate  $(|\mu|^2 + m_{H_1}^2)$  and  $(|\mu|^2 + m_{H_2}^2)$  in favor of the vevs.

[Eliminate one unknown:  $v_1^2 + v_2^2 = v_{\text{SM}}^2$ .]

**Step 2:** Plug in the vevs and collect terms quadratic in the fields.

These are the mass terms (and generically include crossed terms like  $H_1^+ H_2^-$ ). Write these as  $M_{ij}^2 \phi_i \phi_j$  and diagonalize the mass-squared matrices to find the mass eigenstates.

## Results: Higgs masses and mixing angle

[Only 2 unknowns:  $\tan\beta$  and  $M_{A^0}$ .]

$$M_{A^0}^2 = \frac{2b}{\sin 2\beta} \quad M_{H^\pm}^2 = M_{A^0}^2 + M_W^2$$

$$M_{h^0, H^0}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( M_{A^0}^2 + M_Z^2 \mp \sqrt{(M_{A^0}^2 + M_Z^2)^2 - 4M_Z^2 M_{A^0}^2 \cos^2 2\beta} \right)$$

[By convention,  $h^0$  is lighter than  $H^0$ ]

Mixing angle for  $h^0$  and  $H^0$ :

$$\frac{\sin 2\alpha}{\sin 2\beta} = -\frac{M_{A^0}^2 + M_Z^2}{M_{H^0}^2 - M_{h^0}^2} \quad \frac{\cos 2\alpha}{\cos 2\beta} = -\frac{M_{A^0}^2 - M_Z^2}{M_{H^0}^2 - M_{h^0}^2}$$

[Note  $M_W^2 = g^2 v^2/4$  and  $M_Z^2 = (g^2 + g'^2)v^2/4$ : these come from the  $g^2$  and  $g'^2$  terms in the scalar potential.]

- $A^0$ ,  $H^0$  and  $H^\pm$  masses can be arbitrarily large: grow with  $\frac{2b}{\sin 2\beta}$ .
- $h^0$  mass is bounded from above:  $M_{h^0} < |\cos 2\beta| M_Z \leq M_Z$  (!!)

This is already ruled out by LEP! The MSSM would be dead if not for the large radiative corrections to  $M_{h^0}$ .

Mass matrix for  $\phi_{1,2}^{0,r}$ :

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} M_A^2 \sin^2 \beta + M_Z^2 \cos^2 \beta & -(M_A^2 + M_Z^2) \sin \beta \cos \beta \\ -(M_A^2 + M_Z^2) \sin \beta \cos \beta & M_A^2 \cos^2 \beta + M_Z^2 \sin^2 \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

Radiative corrections come mostly from the top and stop loops.

New mass matrix:

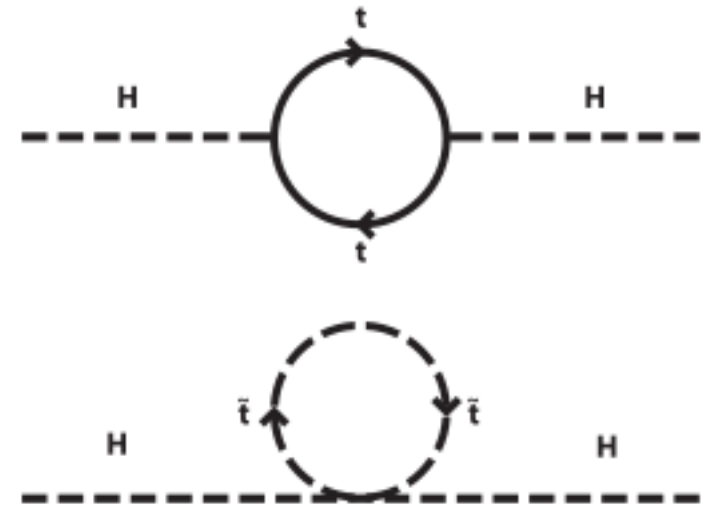
$$\mathcal{M}^2 = \mathcal{M}_{\text{tree}}^2 + \begin{pmatrix} \Delta\mathcal{M}_{11}^2 & \Delta\mathcal{M}_{12}^2 \\ \Delta\mathcal{M}_{21}^2 & \Delta\mathcal{M}_{22}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Have to re-diagonalize.

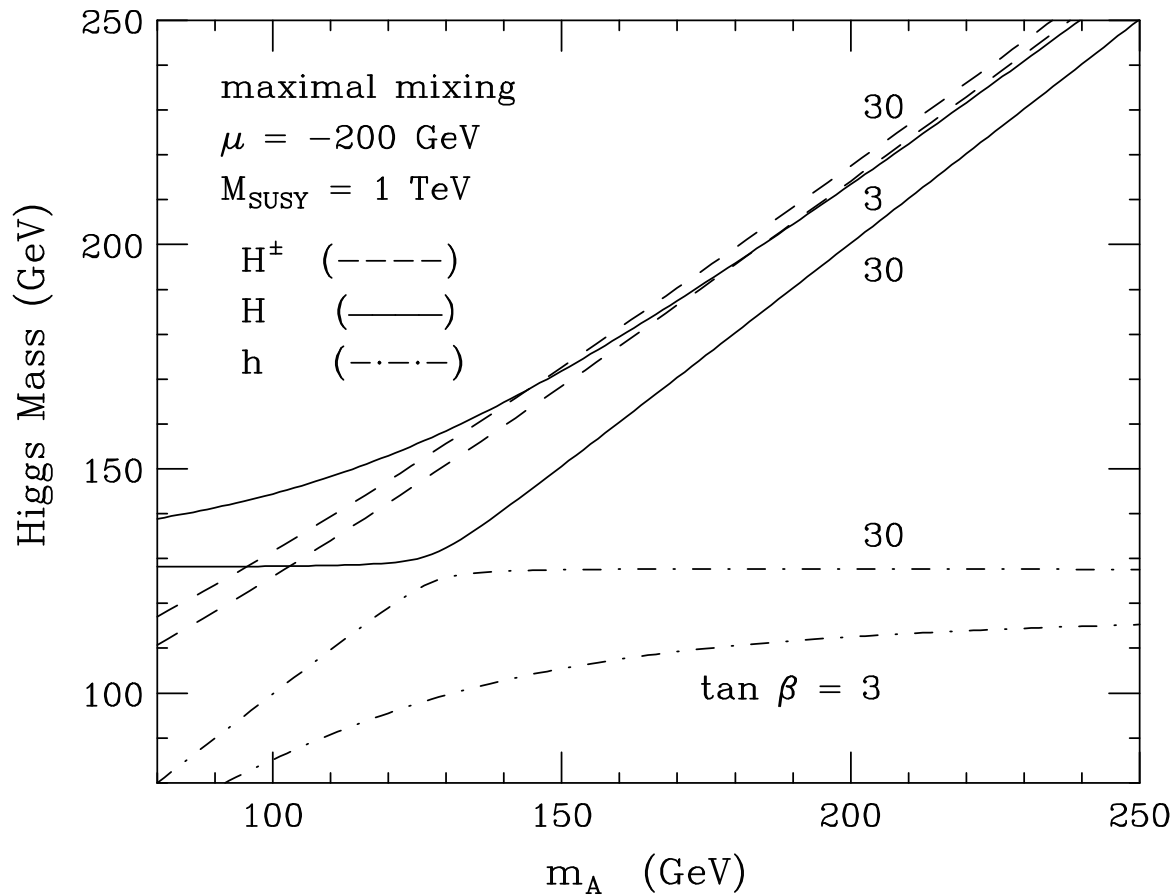
Leading correction to  $M_{h^0}$ :

$$\Delta M_{h^0}^2 \simeq \frac{3}{4\pi^2} v^2 y_t^4 \sin^4 \beta \ln \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{t}_1} m_{\tilde{t}_2}}{m_t^2} \right)$$

Revised bound (full 1-loop + dominant 2-loop):  $M_{h^0} \lesssim 135$  GeV.



## Higgs masses as a function of $M_A$ [for $\tan \beta$ small (3) and large (30)]



from Carena & Haber,  
[hep-ph/0208209](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0208209)

For large  $M_A$ :

- $M_h$  asymptotes
- $M_{H^0}$  and  $M_{H^\pm}$  become increasingly degenerate with  $M_A$

## Higgs couplings

Higgs couplings to fermions are controlled by the Yukawa Lagrangian,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = -y_\ell \bar{e}_R \epsilon_{ij} H_1^i L_L^j - y_d \bar{d}_R \epsilon_{ij} H_1^i Q_L^j - y_u \bar{u}_R \epsilon_{ij} H_2^i Q_L^j + \text{h.c.}$$

$\tan \beta$ -dependence shows up in couplings when  $y_i$  are re-expressed in terms of fermion masses:

$$y_\ell = \frac{\sqrt{2}m_\ell}{v_{\text{SM}} \cos \beta} \quad y_d = \frac{\sqrt{2}m_d}{v_{\text{SM}} \cos \beta} \quad y_u = \frac{\sqrt{2}m_u}{v_{\text{SM}} \sin \beta}$$

Higgs couplings to gauge bosons are controlled by the SU(2) structure.

Plugging in the mass eigenstates gives the actual couplings.



## Couplings of $h^0$ (the light Higgs)

$$\begin{aligned}h^0 W^+ W^- &: igM_W g_{\mu\nu} \sin(\beta - \alpha) \\h^0 Z Z &: i \frac{gM_Z}{\cos \theta_W} g_{\mu\nu} \sin(\beta - \alpha) \\h^0 \bar{t} t &: i \frac{gm_t}{2M_W} [\sin(\beta - \alpha) + \cot \beta \cos(\beta - \alpha)] \\h^0 \bar{b} b &: i \frac{gm_b}{2M_W} [\sin(\beta - \alpha) - \tan \beta \cos(\beta - \alpha)]\end{aligned}$$

[ $h^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$  coupling has same form as  $h^0 \bar{b} b$ ]

Controlled by  $\tan \beta$  and the mixing angle  $\alpha$ .

In the “**decoupling limit**”  $M_{A^0} \gg M_Z$ ,  $\cos(\beta - \alpha)$  goes to zero:

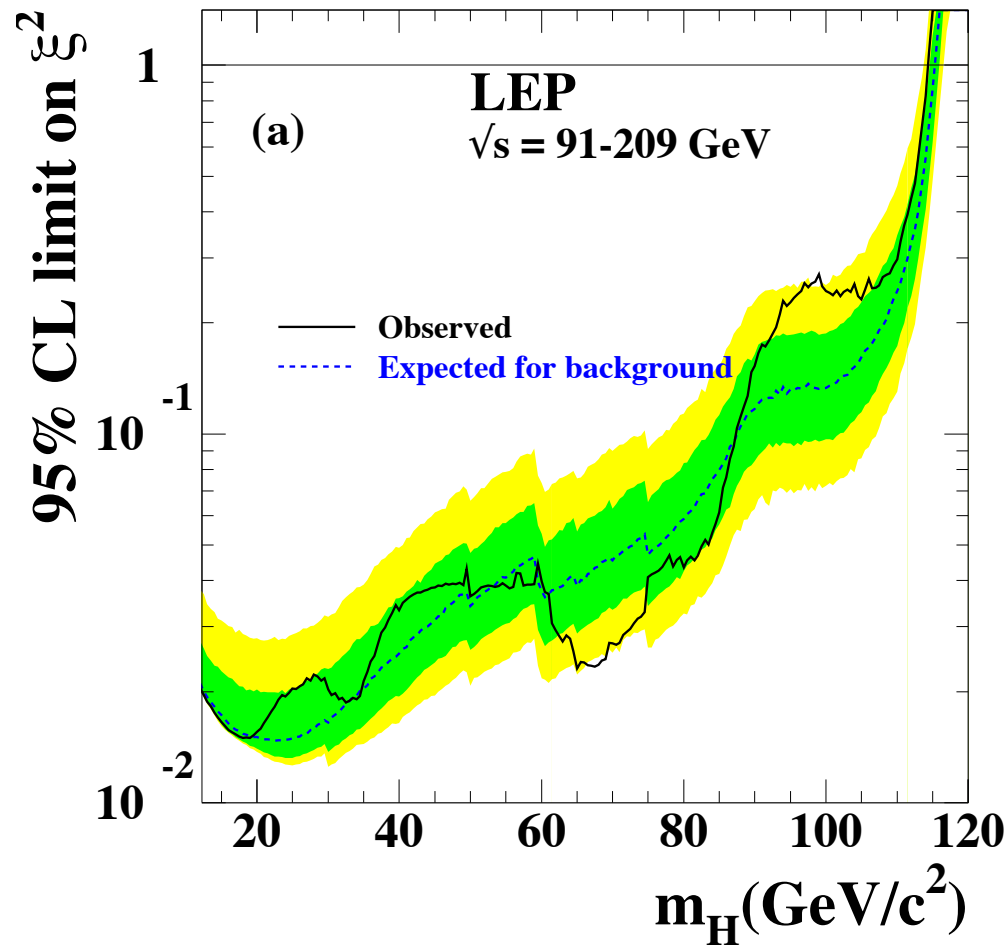
$$\cos(\beta - \alpha) \simeq \frac{1}{2} \sin 4\beta \frac{M_Z^2}{M_{A^0}^2}$$

Then all the  $h^0$  couplings approach their SM values!

## LEP searches for $h^0$

$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z^* \rightarrow Zh^0$ : coupling  $\frac{igM_Z}{\cos\theta_W} g_{\mu\nu} \sin(\beta - \alpha)$

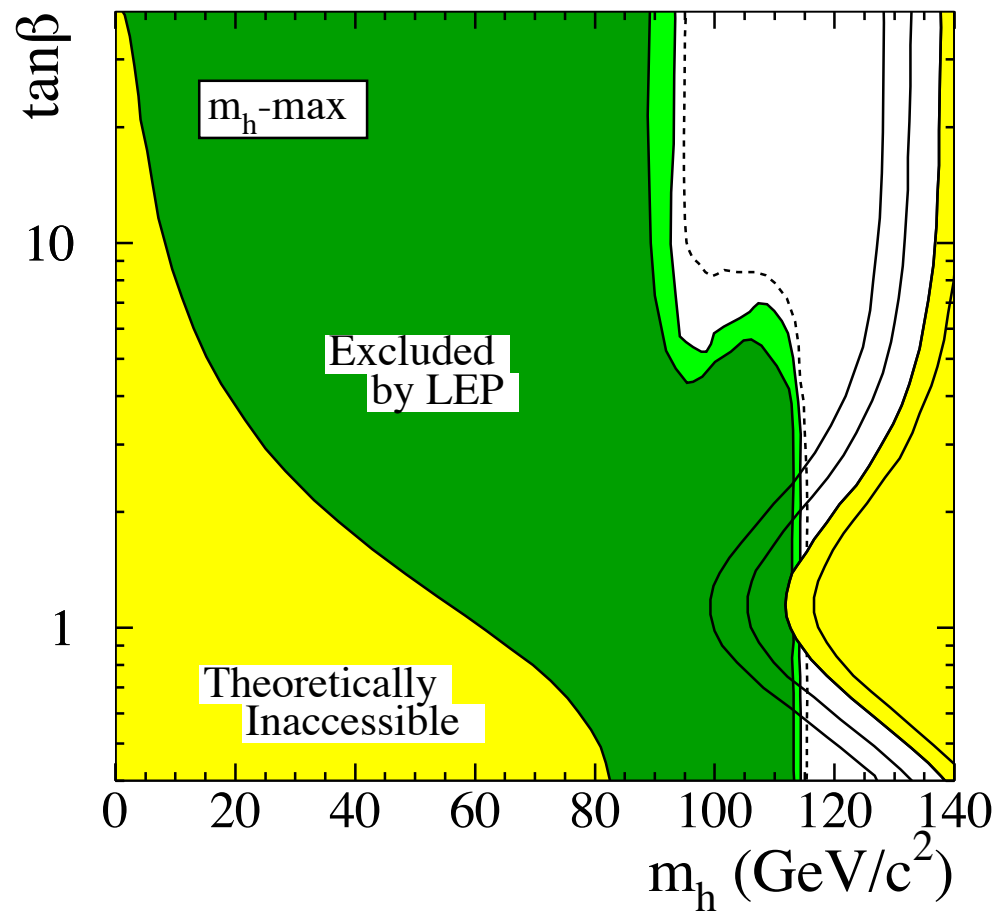
- Production can be suppressed compared to SM Higgs



## LEP searches for $h^0$

$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z^* \rightarrow h^0 A^0$ : coupling  $\propto \cos(\beta - \alpha)$

- Complementary to  $Zh^0$
- Combine searches for overall MSSM exclusion



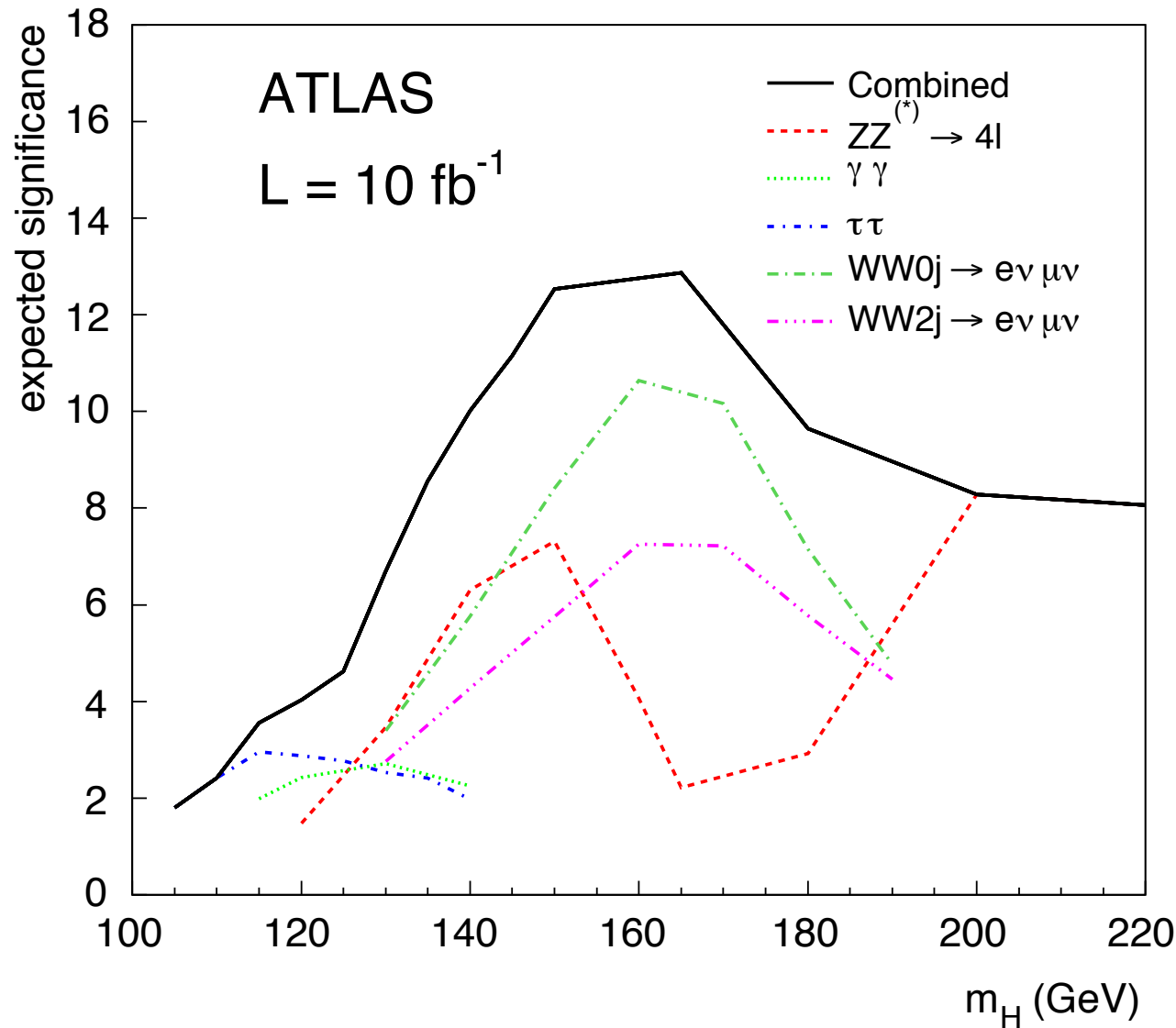
## LHC searches for $h^0$

Decoupling limit  
(large  $M_{A^0}$ ):

-  $h^0$  search basically the same as SM Higgs search

- Mass  $\lesssim 135$  GeV:  
lower-mass search channels most important

- Challenging channels



SM Higgs significance, ATLAS CSC book, arXiv:0901.0512

## Couplings of $H^0$ and $A^0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 H^0 W^+ W^- & : igM_W g_{\mu\nu} \cos(\beta - \alpha) \\
 H^0 Z Z & : i \frac{gM_Z}{\cos \theta_W} g_{\mu\nu} \cos(\beta - \alpha) \\
 H^0 \bar{t} t & : i \frac{gm_t}{2M_W} [-\cot \beta \sin(\beta - \alpha) + \cos(\beta - \alpha)] \\
 H^0 \bar{b} b & : i \frac{gm_b}{2M_W} [\tan \beta \sin(\beta - \alpha) + \cos(\beta - \alpha)]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$A^0 \bar{t} t : \frac{gm_t}{2M_W} \cot \beta \gamma^5 \qquad A^0 \bar{b} b : \frac{gm_b}{2M_W} \tan \beta \gamma^5$$

Couplings to leptons have same form as  $\bar{b} b$ .

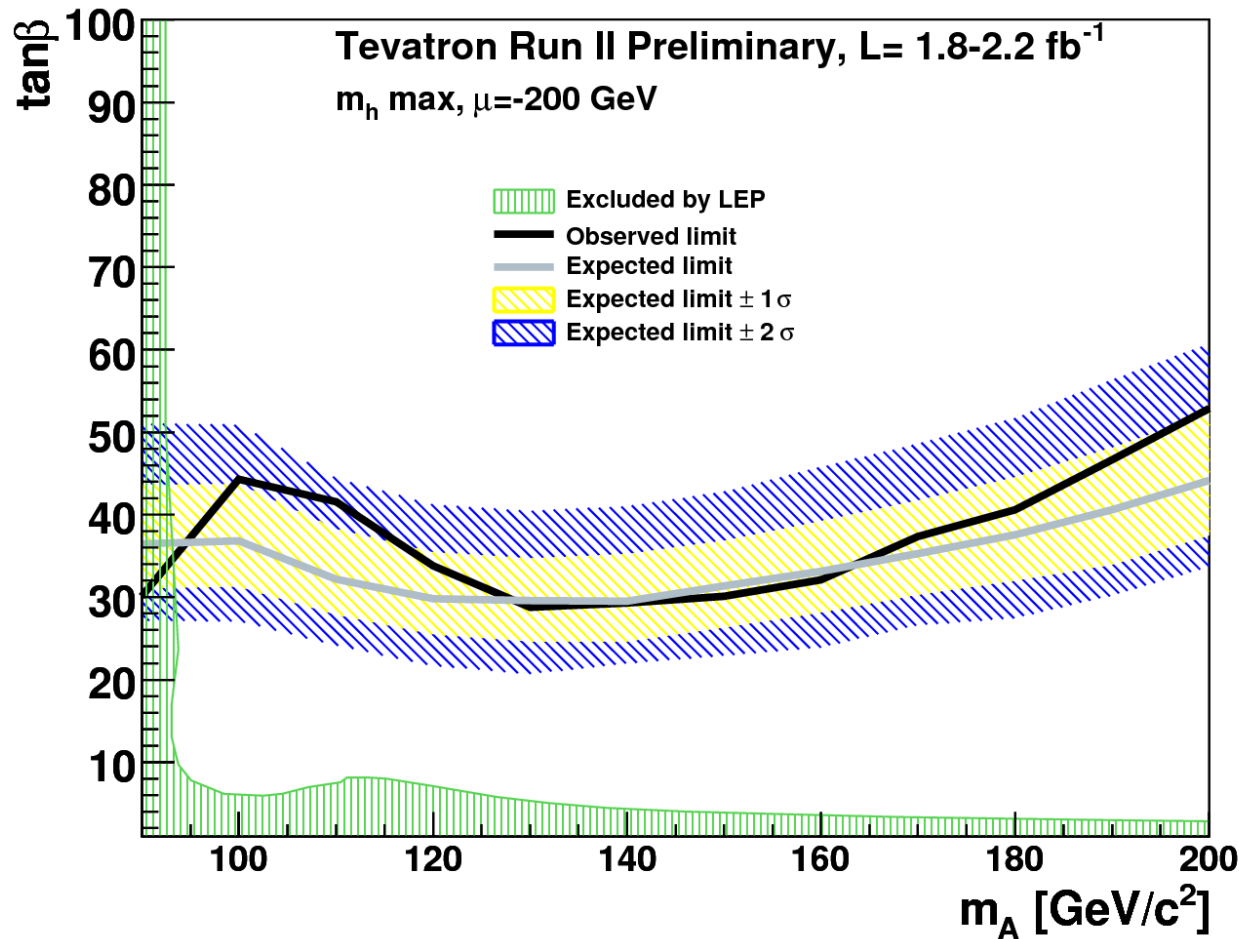
Remember the decoupling limit  $\cos(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 0$ :

- $\bar{b} b$  and  $\tau\tau$  couplings go like  $\tan \beta$ : can be strongly enhanced.
- $\bar{t} t$  couplings go like  $\cot \beta$ : can be strongly suppressed.

Can't enhance  $\bar{t} t$  coupling much: perturbativity limit.

## Tevatron searches for $H^0$ and $A^0$

Use  $bbH^0$ ,  $bbA^0$  couplings: enhanced at large  $\tan\beta$   
-  $bb \rightarrow H^0, A^0$ , decays to  $\tau\tau$  (most sensitive) or  $bb$

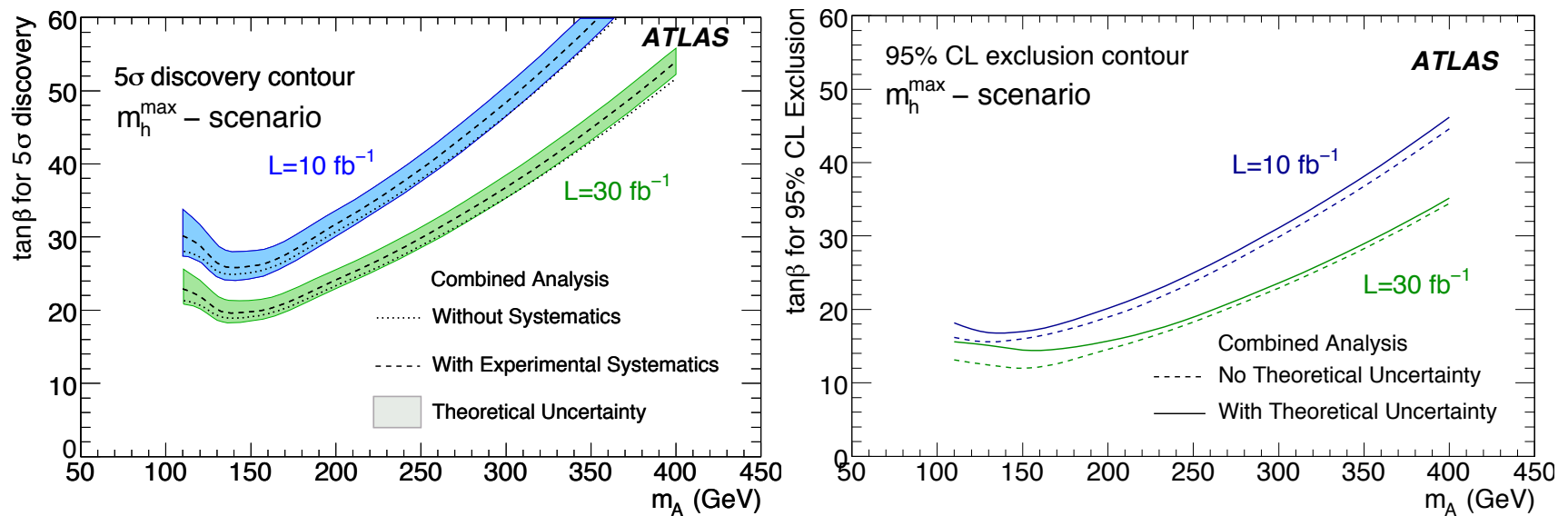


$\tau\tau$  channel, CDF + DZero, arXiv:1003.3363

# LHC searches for $H^0$ and $A^0$

Same idea, higher mass reach because of higher beam energy and luminosity

$bb \rightarrow H^0, A^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu$  channel: rare decay but great mass resolution!



$\mu\mu$  channel, ATLAS CSC book, arXiv:0901.0512

## Couplings of $H^\pm$

$$H^+ \tau^- \bar{\nu} : i \frac{g}{\sqrt{2} M_W} [m_\tau \tan \beta P_R]$$

Important for decays

$$H^+ \bar{t} b : i \frac{g}{\sqrt{2} M_W} V_{tb} [m_t \cot \beta P_L + m_b \tan \beta P_R]$$

Important for production and decays

$H^+ \bar{c} s$  coupling has same form

Couplings to another Higgs and a gauge boson are usual SU(2) form.

$$\gamma H^+ H^-, Z H^+ H^-$$

Search for pair production at LEP

$$W^+ H^- A^0, W^+ H^- H^0$$

Associated production at LHC



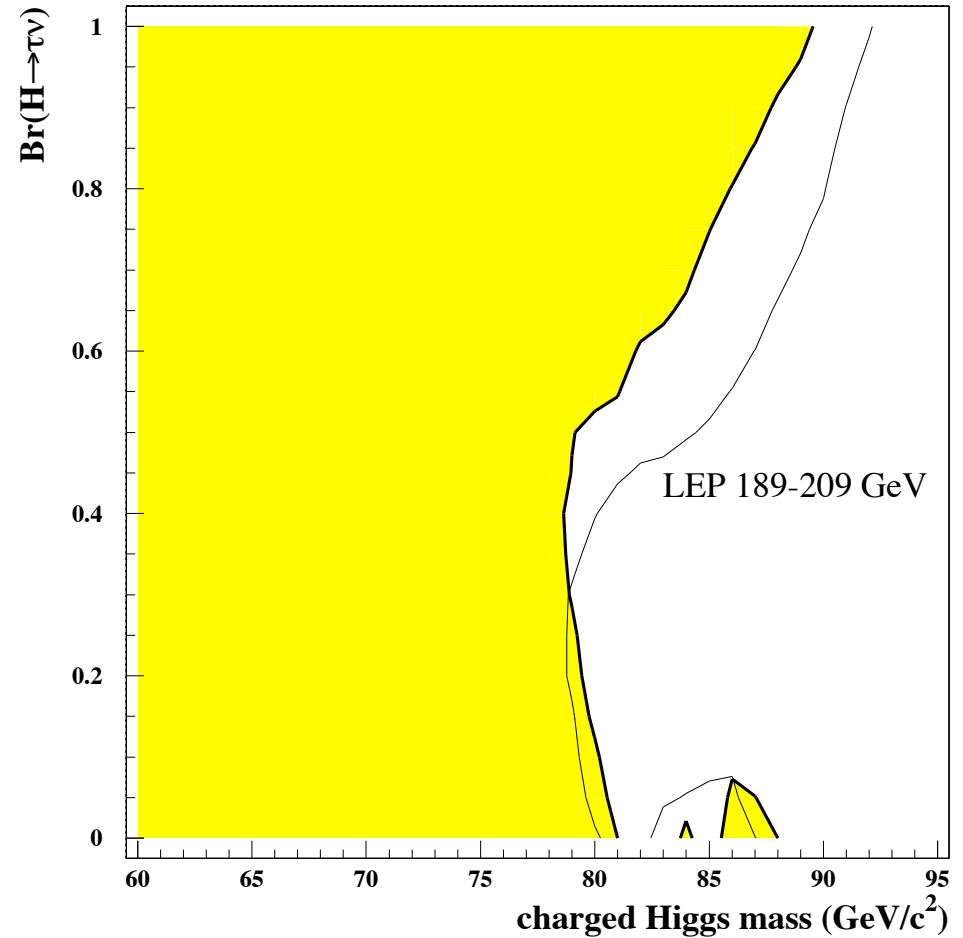
## LEP searches for $H^\pm$

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^*, Z^* \rightarrow H^+H^-$$

$H^\pm$  decays to  $\tau\nu$  or  $cs$   
- Assume no other decays

Major background from  $W^+W^-$   
especially for  $H^+ \rightarrow cs$

Limit  $M_{H^+} > 78.6\text{--}89.6$  GeV



LEP combined, hep-ex/0107031

## Tevatron searches for $H^\pm$

Look for  $t \rightarrow H^+ b$ .

- Sensitive at high and low  $\tan \beta$ .
- Decays to  $\tau \nu$  or  $cs$ .

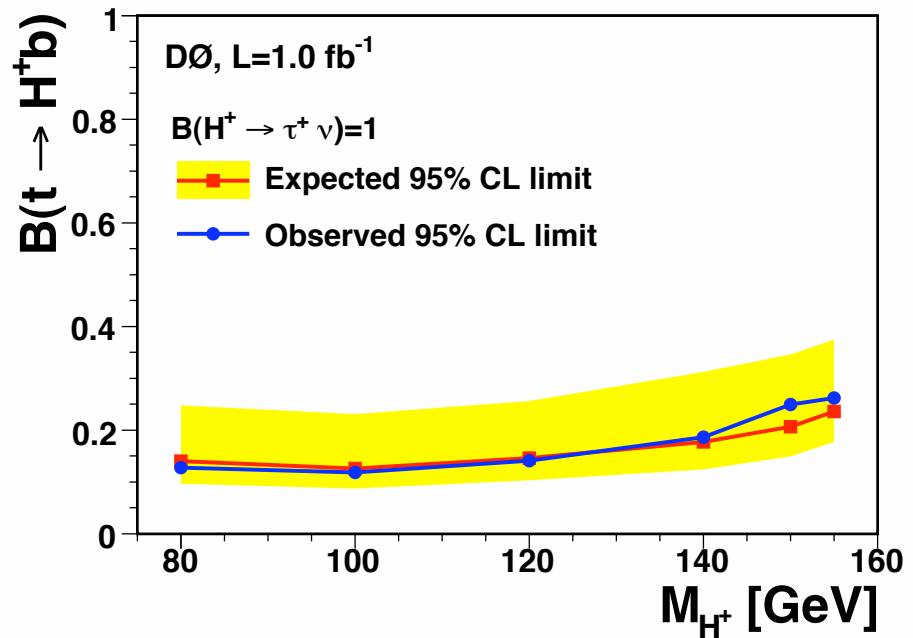
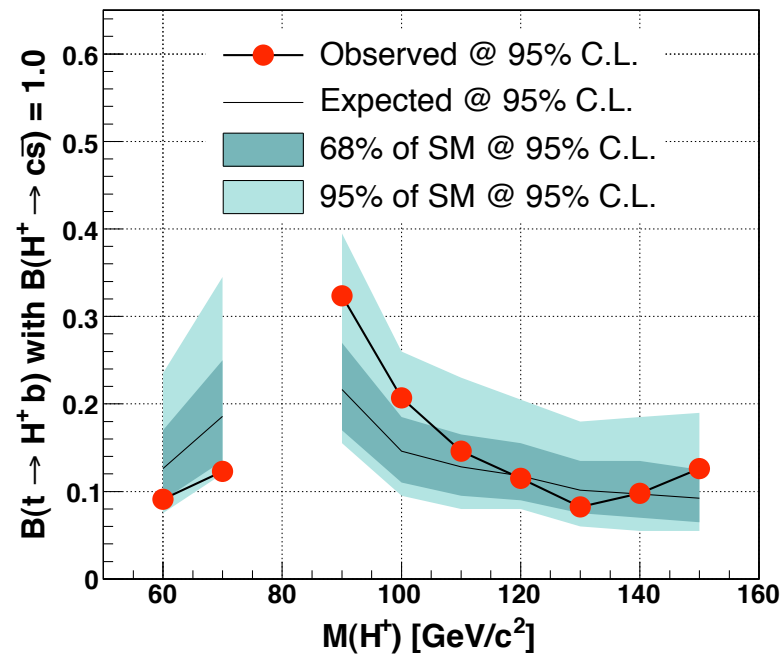
$$\text{Coupling } \frac{igV_{tb}}{\sqrt{2}M_W} [m_t \cot \beta P_L + m_b \tan \beta P_R]$$

$\text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow c\bar{s}) = 1:$

Look for  $M_{jj} \neq M_W$ .

$\text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow \tau \nu) > 0:$

Look at final-state fractions.



CDF, PRL103, 101803 (2009)

DZero, arXiv:0908.1811

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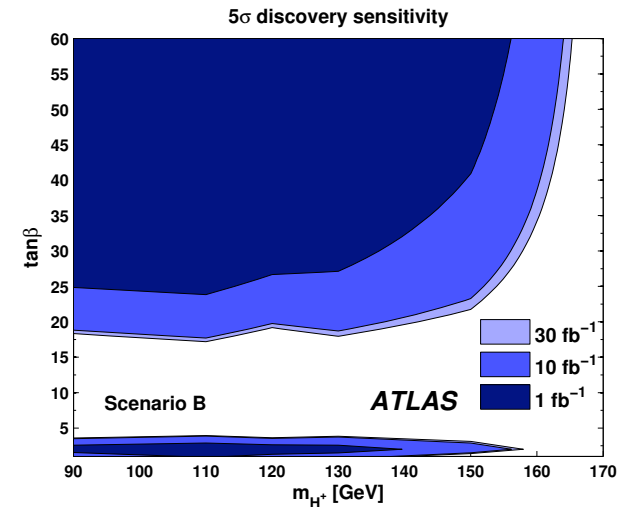
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# LHC searches for $H^\pm$

Light charged Higgs:

top decay  $t \rightarrow H^+ b$  with  $H^+ \rightarrow \tau \nu$ .



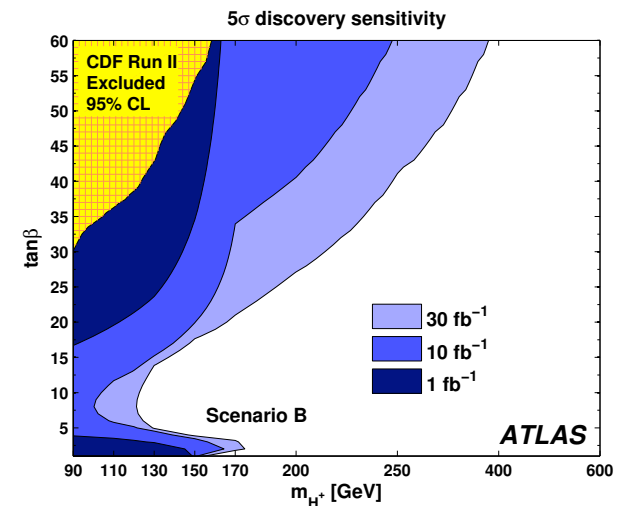
ATLAS CSC book, [arXiv:0901.0512](https://arxiv.org/abs/0901.0512)

Heavy charged Higgs:

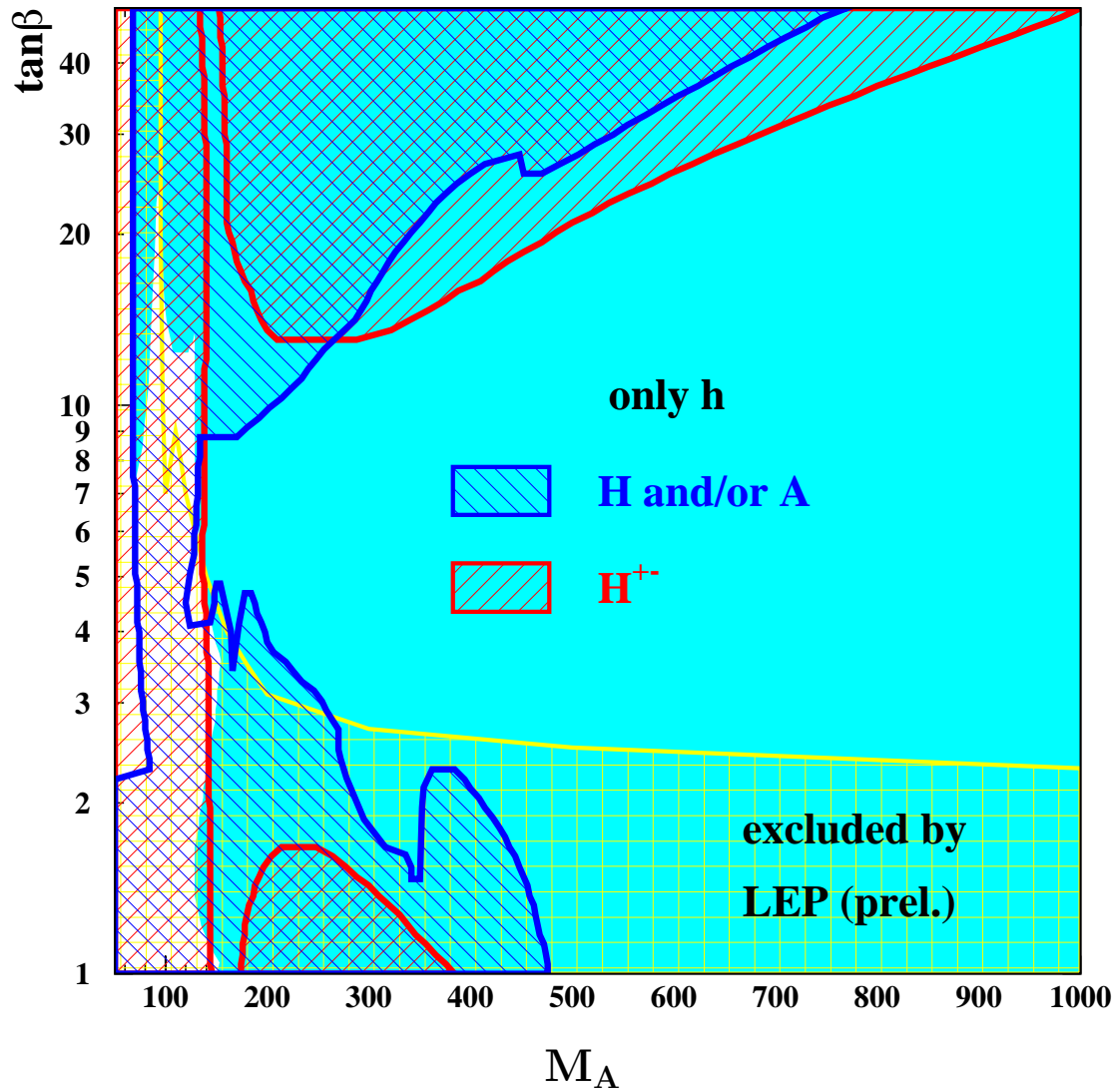
associated production  $pp \rightarrow t H^-$ .

most of sensitivity with  $H^+ \rightarrow \tau \nu$ ;

$H^+ \rightarrow t \bar{b}$  contributes but large background.



# Search for all the MSSM Higgs bosons at LHC



ATLAS,  $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $m_h^{\text{max}}$  scenario. From Haller, hep-ex/0512042

What if only  $h^0$  is accessible?

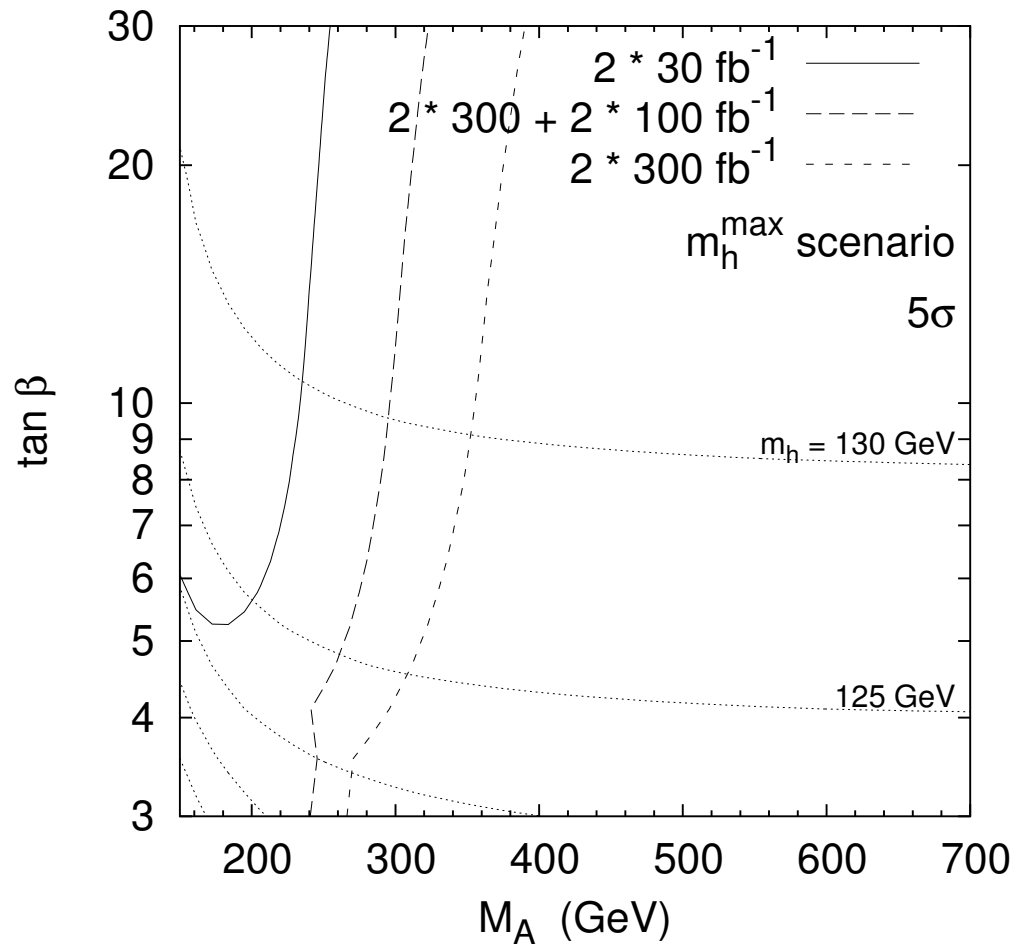
Try to distinguish it from the SM Higgs using coupling measurements.

$$\begin{aligned}h^0 W^+ W^- &: igM_W g_{\mu\nu} \sin(\beta - \alpha) \\h^0 ZZ &: i \frac{gM_Z}{\cos \theta_W} g_{\mu\nu} \sin(\beta - \alpha) \\h^0 \bar{t}t &: i \frac{gm_t}{2M_W} [\sin(\beta - \alpha) + \cot \beta \cos(\beta - \alpha)] \\h^0 \bar{b}b &: i \frac{gm_b}{2M_W} [\sin(\beta - \alpha) - \tan \beta \cos(\beta - \alpha)]\end{aligned}$$

Other couplings:

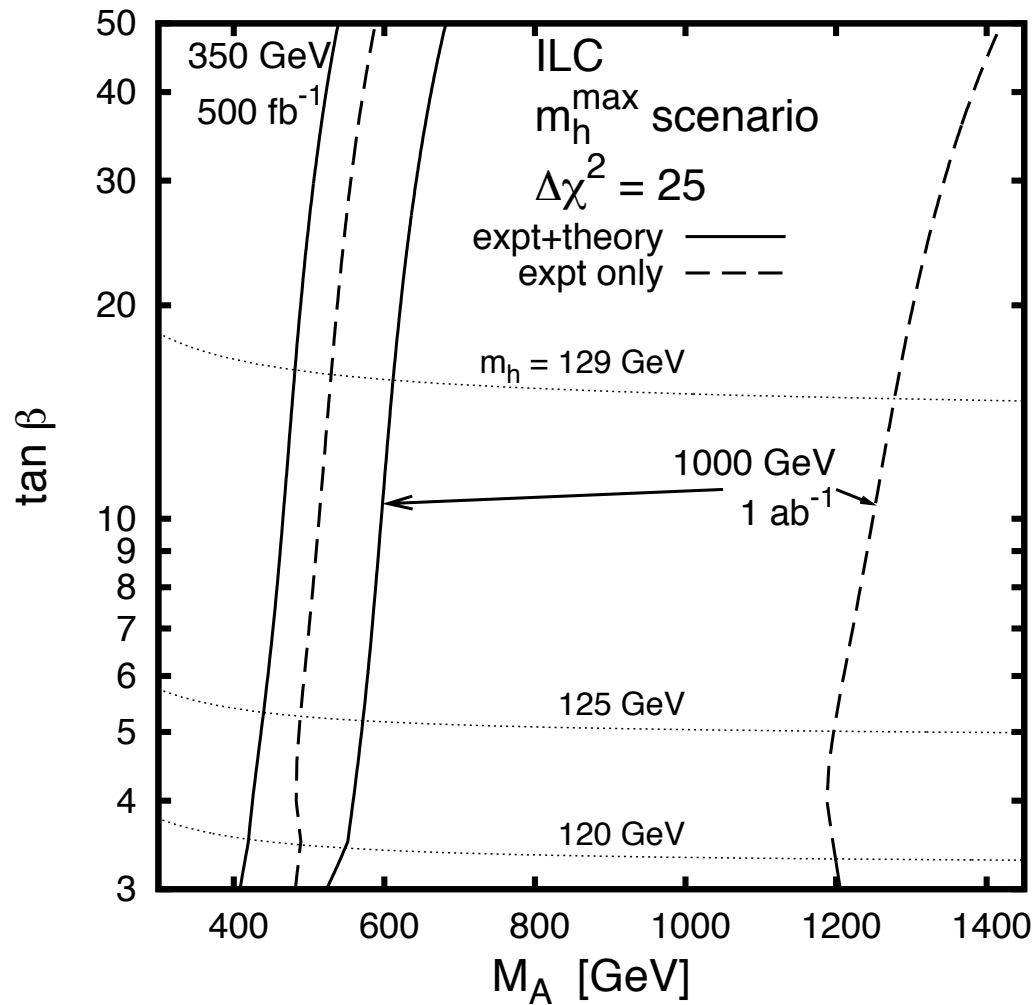
- $ggh^0$ : sensitive to  $h^0 \bar{t}t$  coupling, top squarks in the loop.
- $h^0 \gamma\gamma$ : sensitive to  $h^0 W^+ W^-$ ,  $h^0 \bar{t}t$ , couplings, charginos and top squarks in the loop.

Coupling fit at the LHC:  
 Look for discrepancies from SM predictions



Dührssen et al, PRD70, 113009 (2004)

Major motivation for ILC: probe  $h^0$  couplings with much higher precision.



Logan & Droll, PRD76, 015001 (2007)

## Going beyond the MSSM

Simplest extension of MSSM is to add an extra Higgs particle.

- NMSSM, nMSSM, MNSSM, etc.

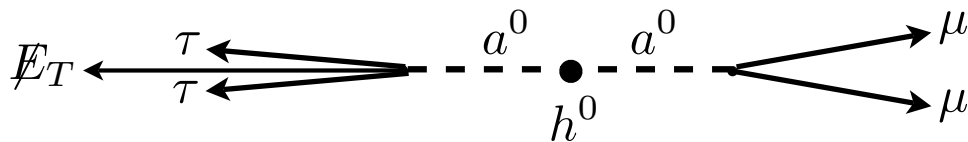
New chiral supermultiplet  $S$

- Gives an “extra Higgs”

- Couples only to other Higgses (before mixing): hard to detect, can be quite light

- Exotic decays  $h^0 \rightarrow ss$

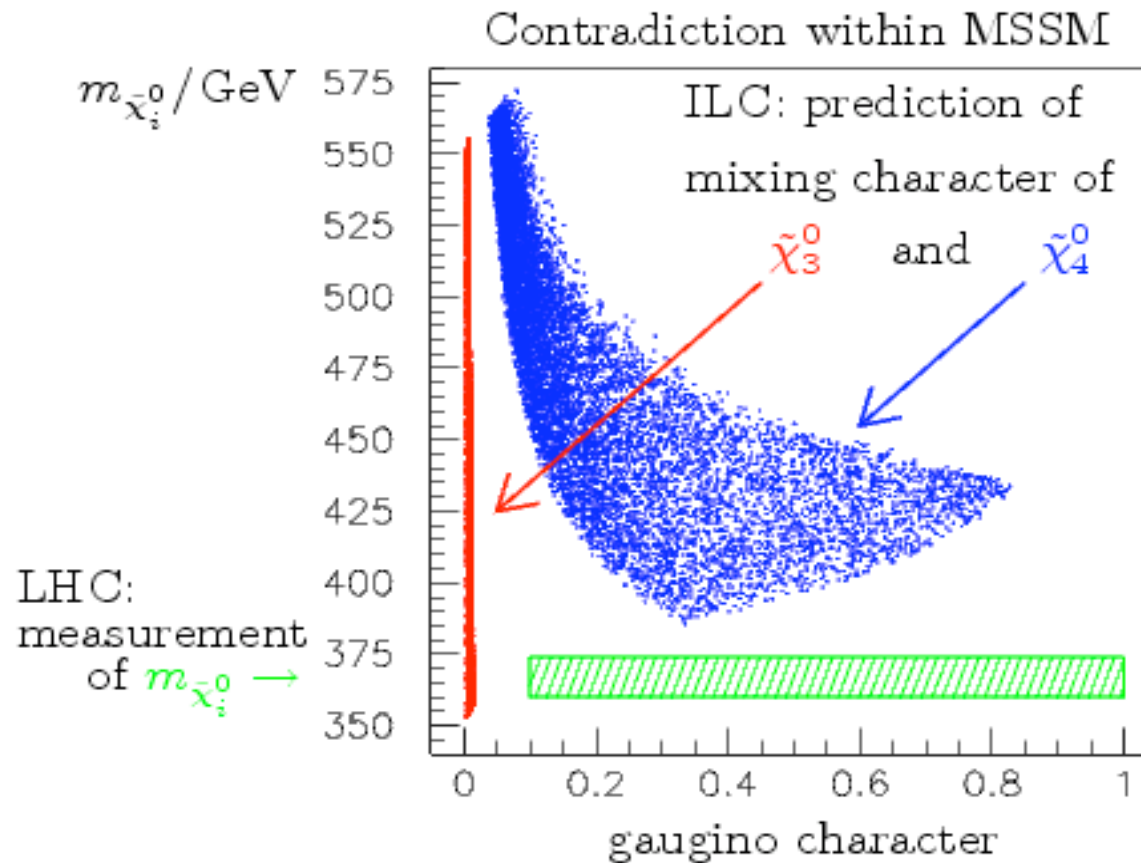
- Decays  $s \rightarrow \bar{b}b, \tau\tau, \gamma\gamma$  made possible by mixing



Lisanti & Wacker, PRD79, 115006 (2009)



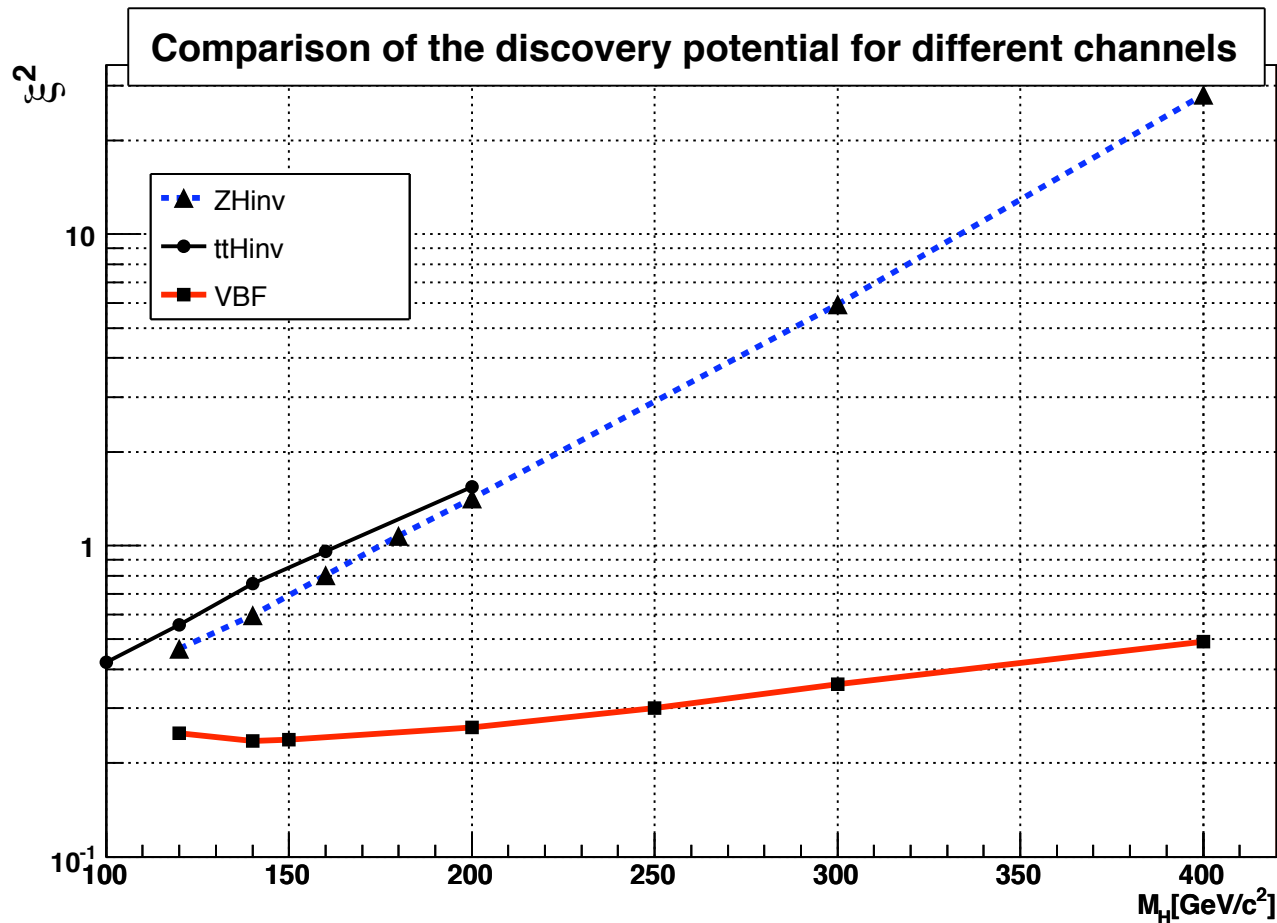
New chiral supermultiplet  $S$  also gives an extra neutralino  $\tilde{\chi}$   
 - Makes the neutralino sector more complicated: may need LHC and ILC synergy to unravel.



Moortgat-Pick et al, hep-ph/0508313

- New chiral supermultiplet  $S$  also gives an extra neutralino  $\tilde{\chi}$
- Dark matter particle, can be quite light
  - Invisible Higgs decay  $h^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}\tilde{\chi}$  if light enough

Plot: ATLAS with  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Scaling factor  $\xi^2 \sigma_{\text{SM}} \equiv \sigma \times \text{BR}(H \rightarrow \text{invis})$



$ZH_{\text{inv}}$  – uses  
 $Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$

**VBF** looks very good,  
 but not clear how  
 well events can be  
 triggered.

$t\bar{t}H_{\text{inv}}$  – may be room  
 for improvement?  
 ATLAS study in  
 progress.

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## MSSM Higgs summary

MSSM Higgs sector has a rich phenomenology

One Higgs boson  $h^0$

- Can be very similar to SM Higgs
- Mass is limited by MSSM relations,  $\lesssim 135$  GeV

Set of new Higgs bosons  $H^0$ ,  $A^0$ , and  $H^\pm$

- Can be light or heavy
- Search strategy depends on mass,  $\tan \beta$

Beyond the MSSM:

- Usually one more new Higgs
- Can have dramatic effect on Higgs phenomenology