

# Higgs Physics

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# Outline

- Standard Higgs bosons
- Two-Higgs Doublet Models
- Higgs bosons in the MSSM
- Distinguishing scenarios?
- Outlook

recent review:

A. Djouadi, hep-ph/0503172 + hep-ph/0503173

## Scalars in EW theory needed for

- masses of gauge bosons and fermions
- restoration of unitarity at high energies
  - compensate rising cross sections from
    - longitudinal polarizations of vector bosons
    - massive fermions

done via Higgs mechanism

- (i) non-vanishing VEV,      masses  $\sim$  VEV
- (ii) exchange of Higgs bosons in high-energy amplitudes
- (iii) all couplings proportional to masses of particles

→ **central element of electroweak theory**

⇒ Higgs search (& Higgs physics) is one of the main goals of collider physics

- $\leq 2000:$  LEP:  
 $e^+e^-$  collider,  $E_{CM} \lesssim 206$  GeV
- $\geq 2001:$  Tevatron, Run II:  
 $p\bar{p}$  collider,  $E_{CM} \approx 2$  TeV
- $\gtrsim 2007:$  LHC:  
 $pp$  collider,  $E_{CM} \approx 14$  TeV
- $\gtrsim 2015:$  ? ILC:  
 $e^+e^-$  collider,  $E_{CM} \approx 500\text{--}1000$  GeV

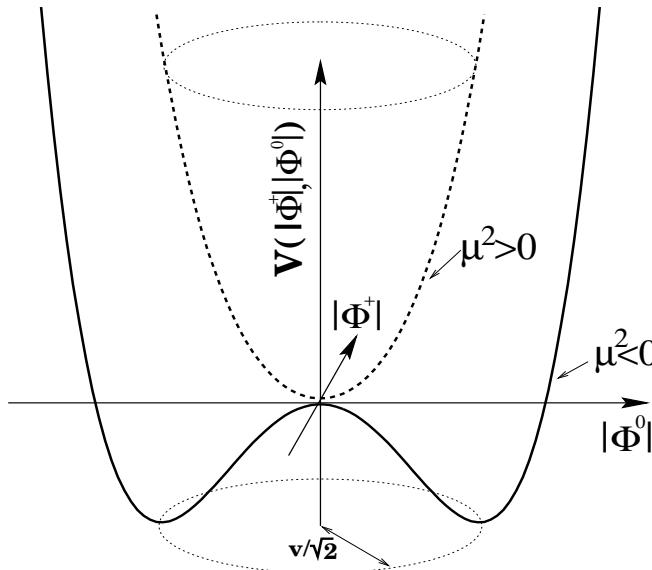
## Higgs sector of the Standard Model:

scalar SU(2) doublet:  $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$

Higgs potential:

$$V(\phi) = \mu^2 |\Phi^\dagger \Phi| + \lambda |\Phi^\dagger \Phi|^2, \quad \lambda > 0$$

$\mu^2 < 0$ : spontaneous symmetry breaking



minimum of the potential at  $\langle \Phi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{-\mu^2}{\lambda}} \equiv \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$

Gauge-invariant interaction with gauge fields:

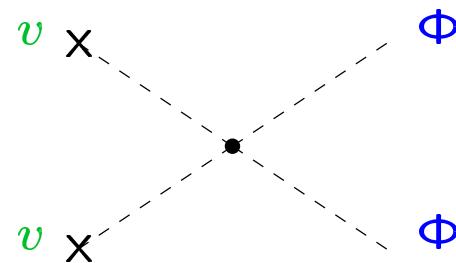
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs}} = (D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger (D^\mu \Phi) - V(\Phi)$$

⇒ mass terms

Unitary gauge:

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H \end{pmatrix}$$

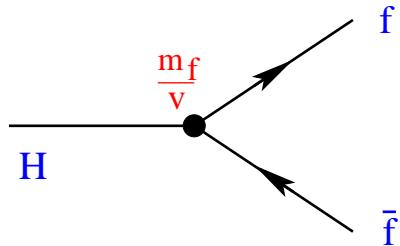
Mass of the Higgs boson: self-interaction



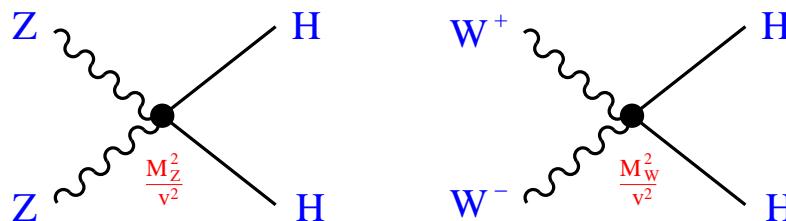
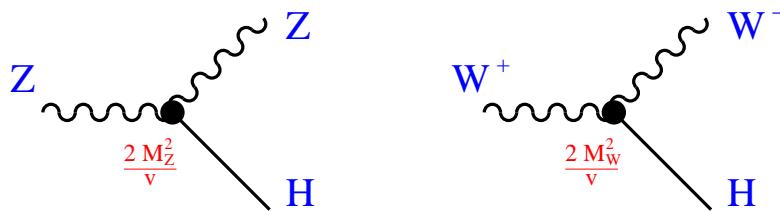
$$M_H = v\sqrt{\lambda} \quad \text{free parameter}$$

# Interactions of the Higgs boson

with fermions:

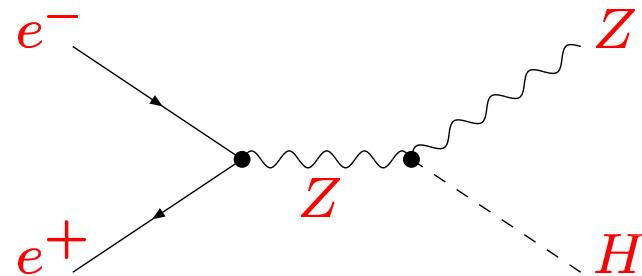


with gauge bosons:  $(\frac{2M_W}{v} = g)$

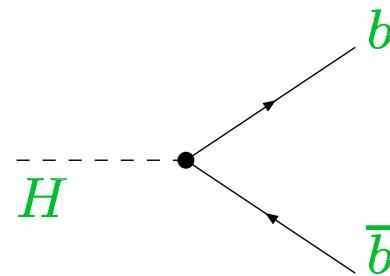


## Search for the Standard Model Higgs at LEP

Dominant production process:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH$



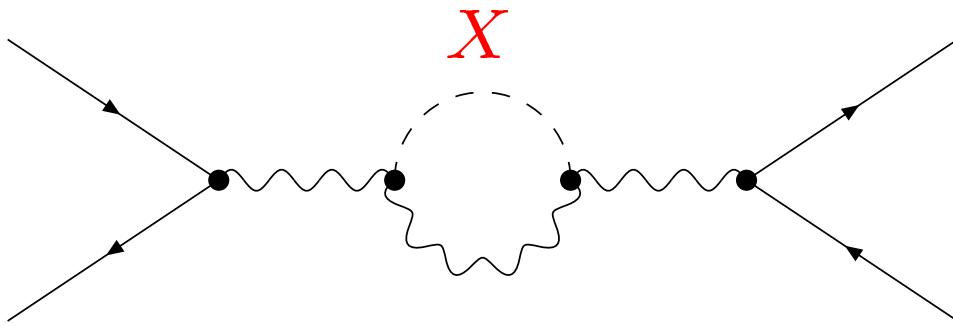
Dominant decay process:  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$



exclusion limit (95% C.L.):  $M_H > 114.4$  GeV

# indirect bounds from EW precision data

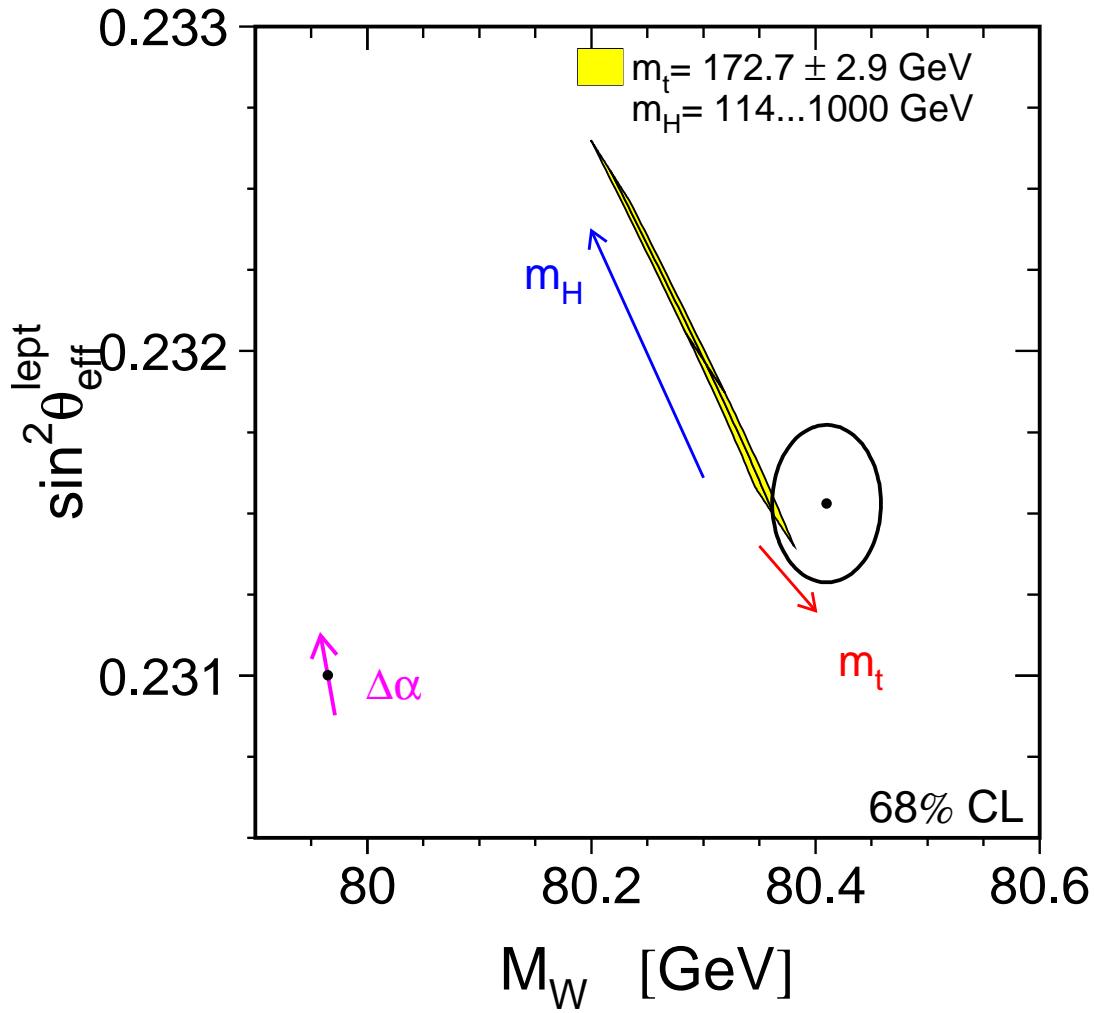
Test of theory at quantum level:  
Sensitivity to loop corrections



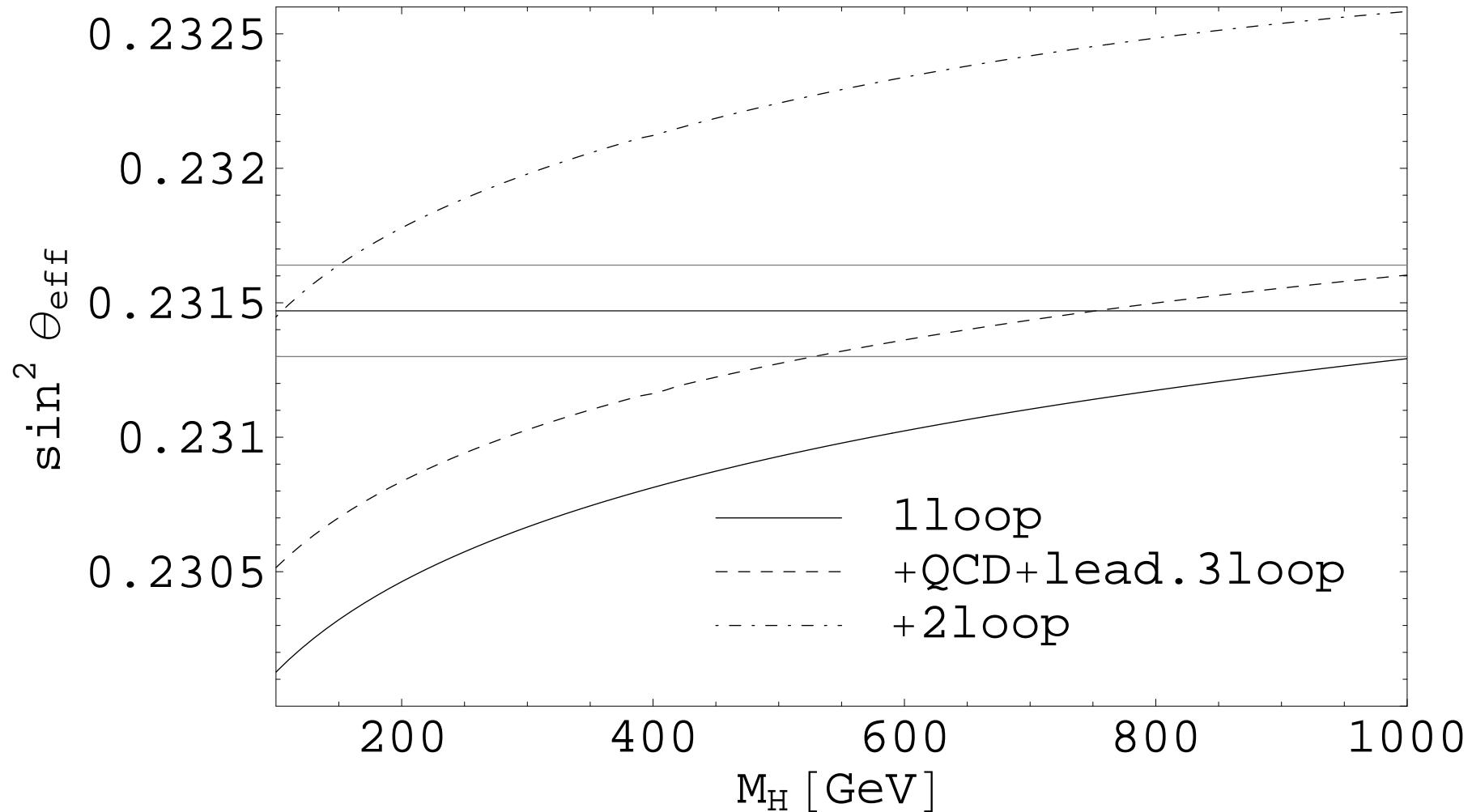
sensitivity to internal particles ( $X$ )

Standard Model:  $X = H$

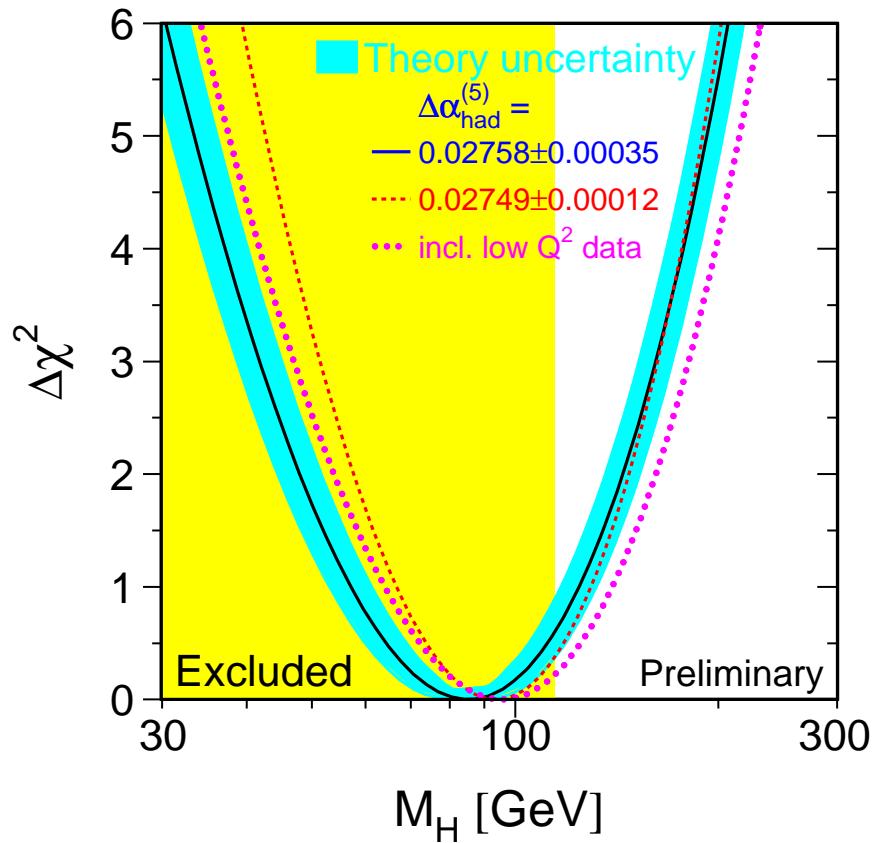
# LEP Electroweak Working Group



## importance of two-loop calculations







$M_H < 166$  GeV (95% C.L.)

with renormalized probability for  $M_H > 114$  GeV:

$M_H < 199$  GeV (95% C.L.)

## Theoretical bounds on Higgs boson mass from

- perturbativity → upper bound
- unitarity → upper bound
- triviality (Landau pole) → upper bound
- vacuum stability → lower bound

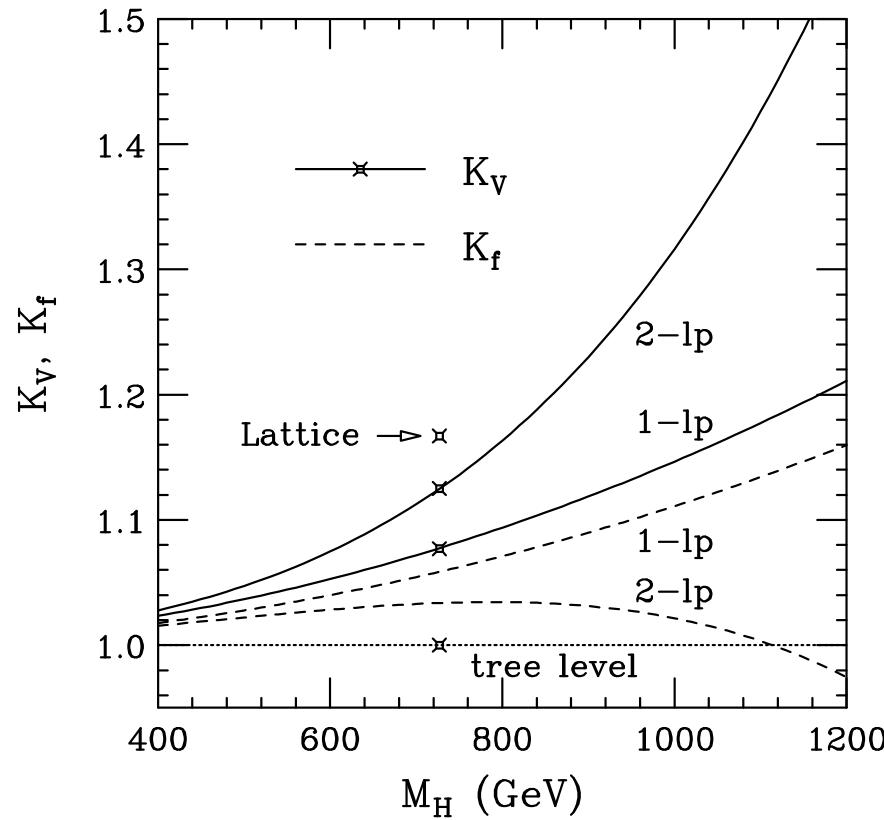
# perturbativity

decay widths into fermions:

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow f\bar{f}) = \Gamma_{\text{tree}} \cdot K_f$$

decay widths into vector bosons:

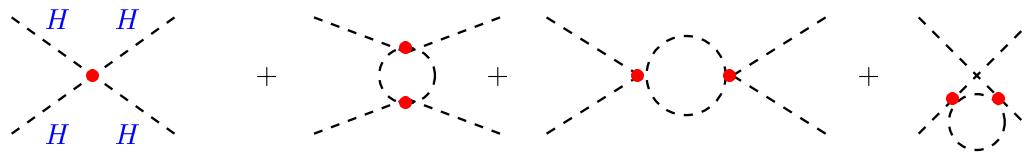
$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow V\bar{V}) = \Gamma_{\text{tree}} \cdot K_V$$



[Ghinculov; Frinck, Kniehl, Riesselmann]

## triviality (Landau pole)

Higgs self coupling is scale dependent,  $\lambda(Q)$



variation with scale  $Q$  described by RGE

$$\frac{d\lambda}{dt} = \frac{3}{4\pi^2} \lambda^2, \quad t = \log \frac{Q^2}{v^2}$$

solution:

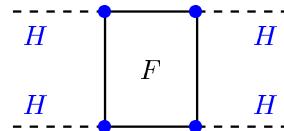
$$\lambda(Q) = \frac{\lambda(v)}{1 - \frac{3}{4\pi^2} \lambda(v) \log \frac{Q^2}{v^2}} \quad \text{with} \quad \lambda(v) = \frac{M_H^2}{2v^2}$$

diverges at scale  $Q = \Lambda_C$  (Landau pole)

$$\Lambda_C = v \exp \left( \frac{4\pi^2 v^2}{3M_H^2} \right)$$

## vacuum stability

top-quark Yukawa coupling  $g_t \sim m_t$  contributes to the running Higgs self coupling  $\lambda(Q)$  through top loop  $\sim g_t^4$



variation with scale  $Q$  described by RGE

$$\frac{d\lambda}{dt} = \frac{3}{4\pi^2} \left( \lambda^2 - \frac{m_t^4}{v^4} \right)$$

$\lambda(Q) < 0$  for  $Q > \Lambda_C \rightarrow$  vacuum not stable

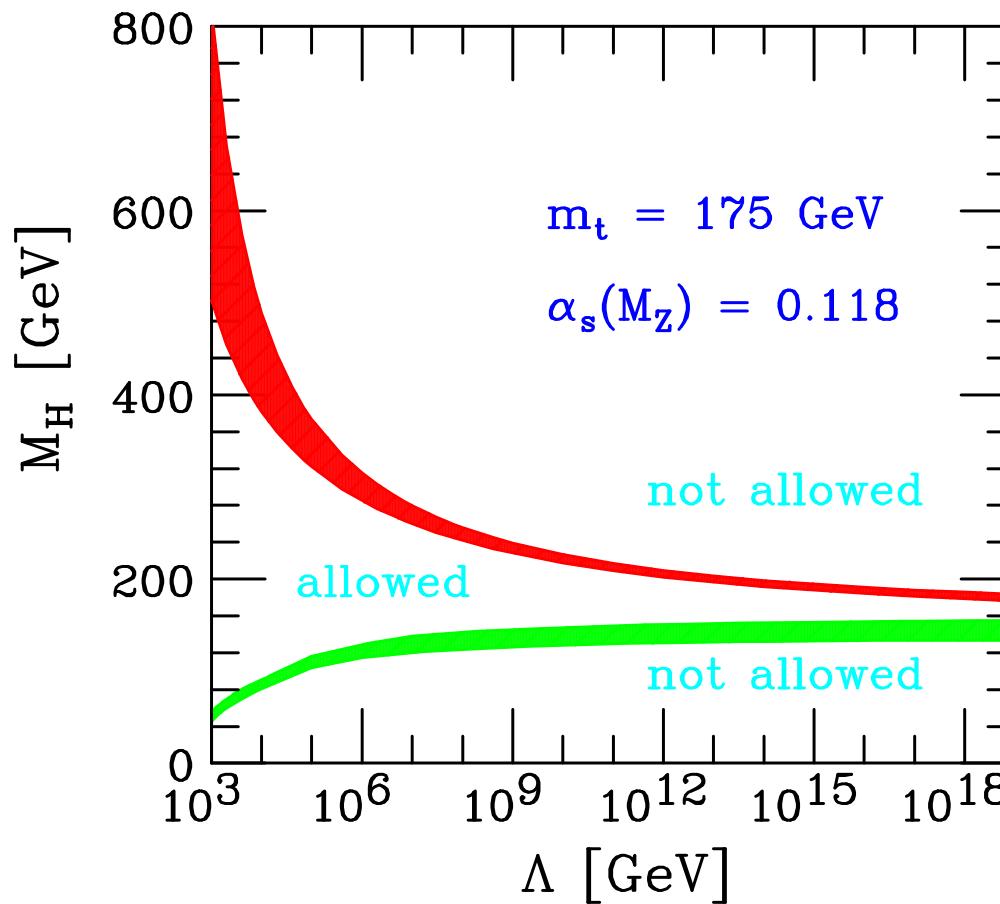
high value of  $\Lambda_C$  needs  $M_H$  large enough

$$\Lambda_C \sim 10^{16} : M_H > 130 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Lambda_C \sim 10^3 : M_H > 70 \text{ GeV}$$

combined effects, RGE in two-loop order:

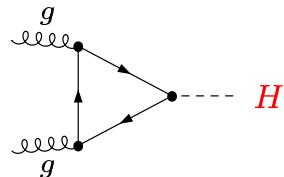
$$\frac{d\lambda}{dt} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (12\lambda^2 - 3g_t^2 + 6\lambda g_t^2 + \dots)$$



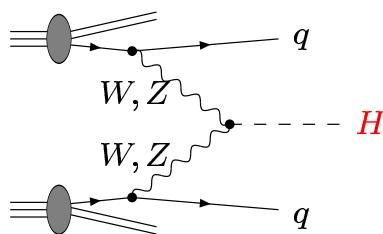
[Hambye, Riesselmann]

# Higgs production at the LHC

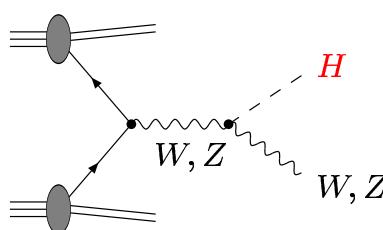
- gluon fusion,  $gg \rightarrow H$



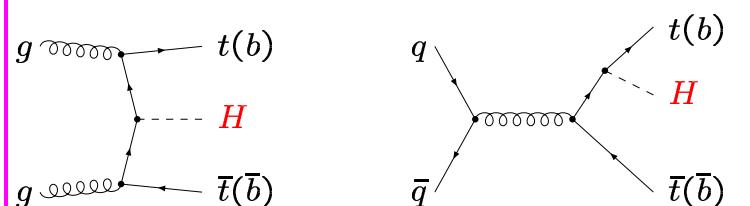
- vector boson fusion,  $qq \rightarrow qqH$



- Higgs strahlung,  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow VH$



- $t\bar{t}H$  ( $b\bar{b}H$ ) production



- gluon-gluon fusion:

NNLO QCD [*Harlander, Kilgore*]

NL EW [*Degrassi, Maltoni*]

- $WW$  ( $ZZ$ ) fusion:

NLO QCD

[*Figy, Oleari, Zeppenfeld*]

- Higgs-strahlung processes:

NNLO QCD + NLO EW

[*Brein et al.*]

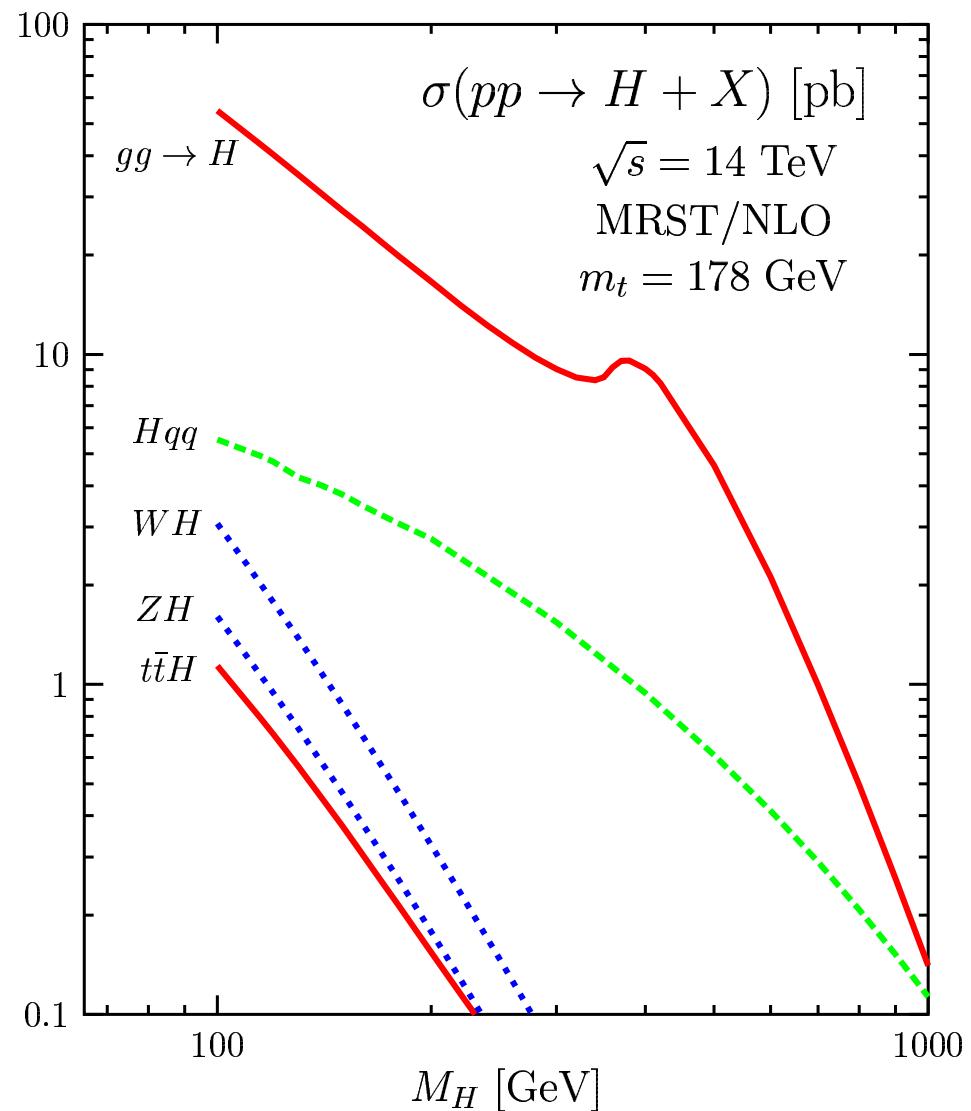
- radiation from heavy quarks:

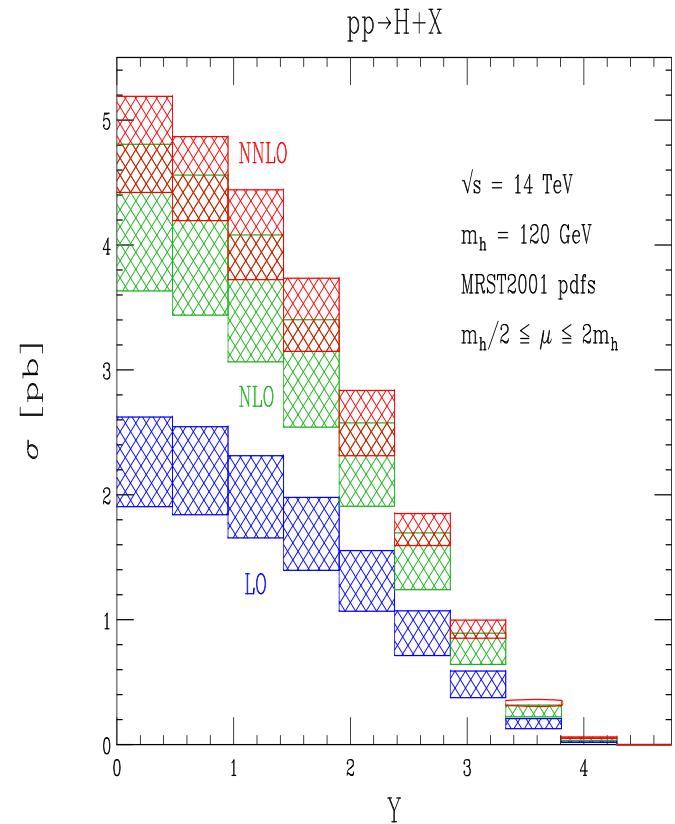
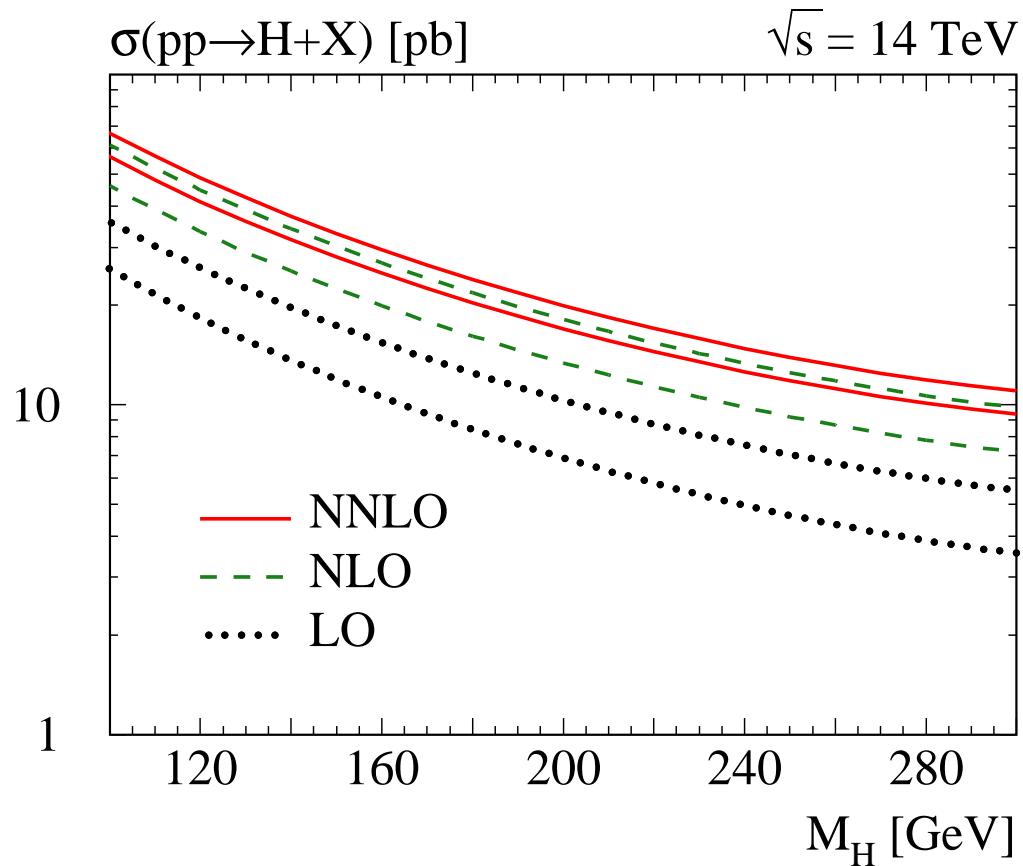
NLO QCD [*Beenakker et al.*,

*Dawson et al.*]

NLO EW [*Denner et al.*]

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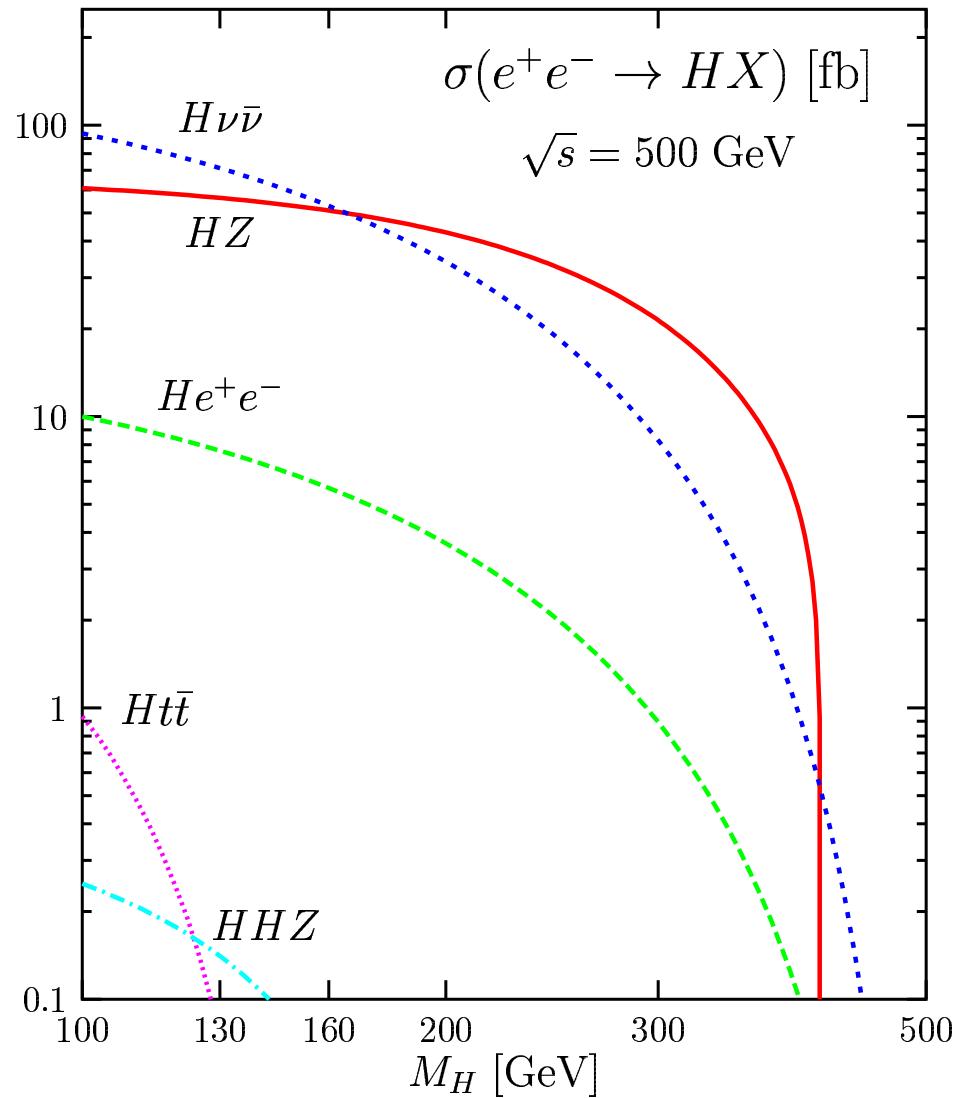


Total cross section: [R. Harlander, W. Kilgore '02]

Fully differential: [C. Anastasiou, K. Melnikov, F. Petriello '04]

⇒ Next-to-next-to-leading order needed

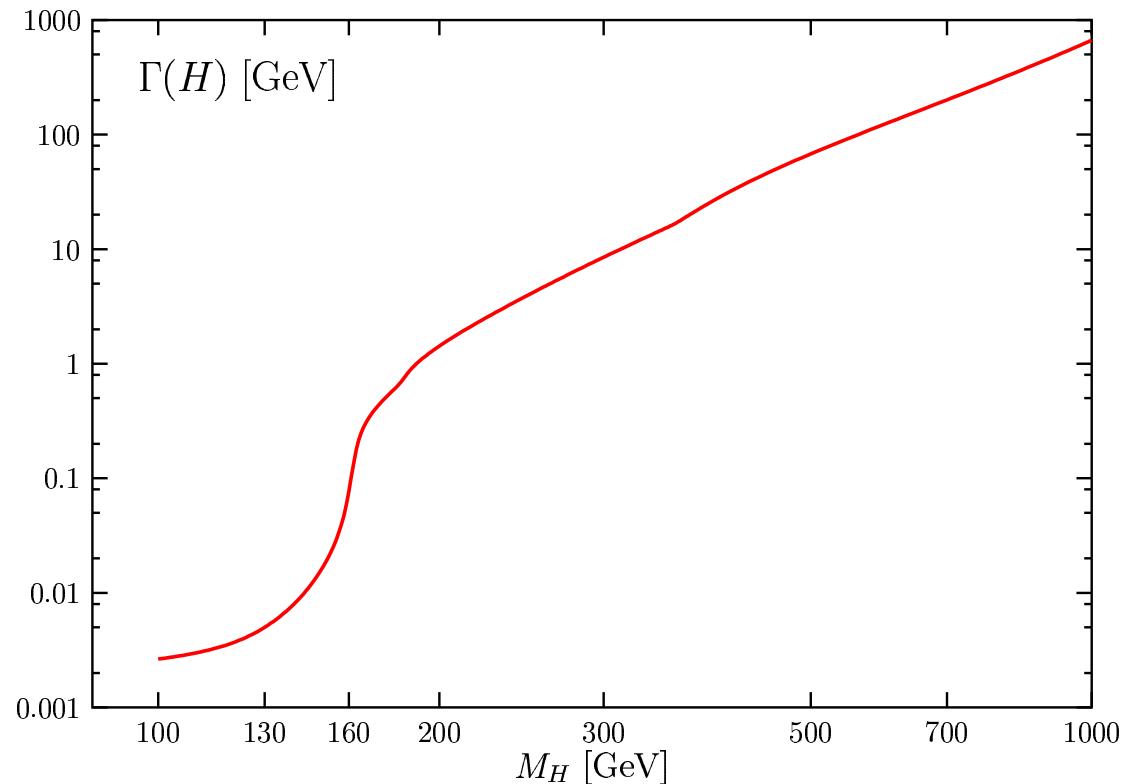
# Higgs production at a Linear Collider



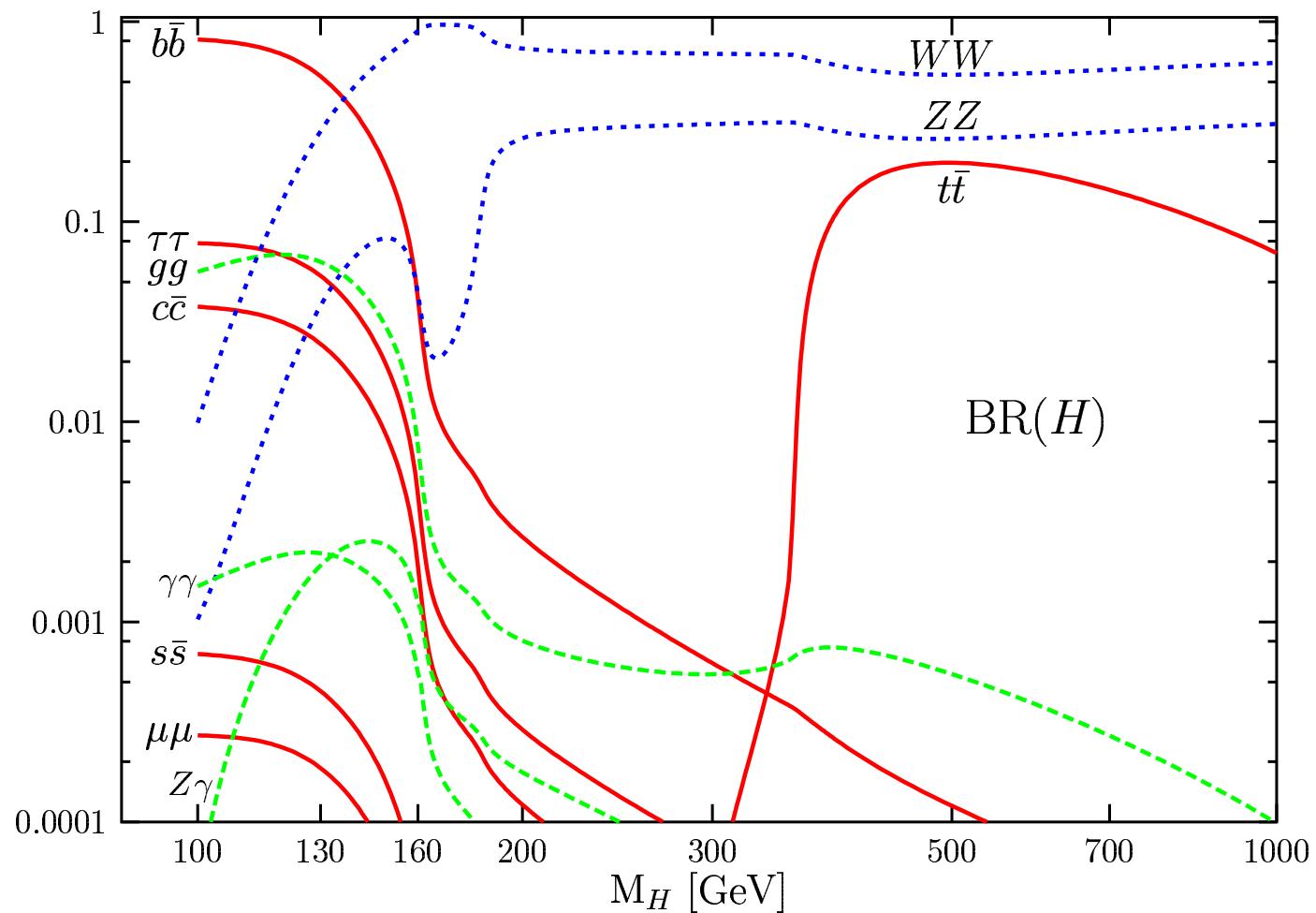
# Higgs decays

- $H \rightarrow f\bar{f}$ :  $\Gamma \sim M_H m_f^2$
- $H \rightarrow WW, ZZ$ :  $\Gamma \sim M_H^3$

## total width

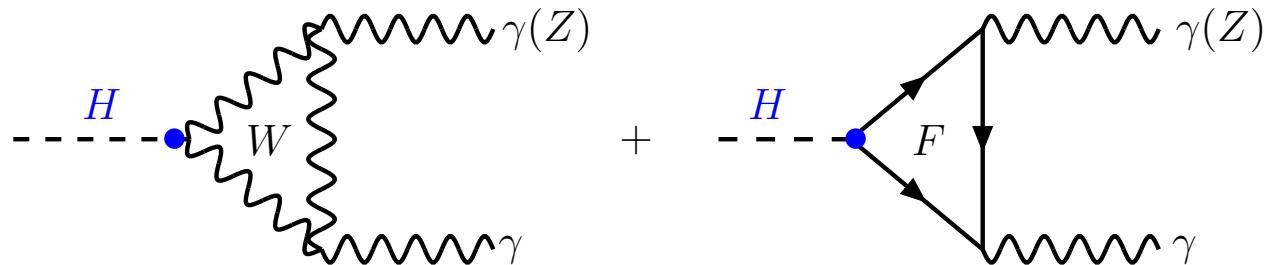


## branching ratios

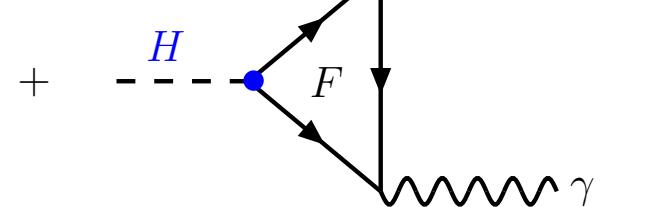


# loop-induced decays

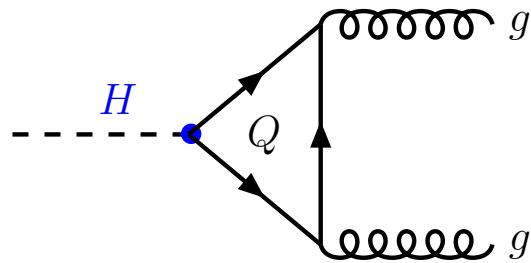
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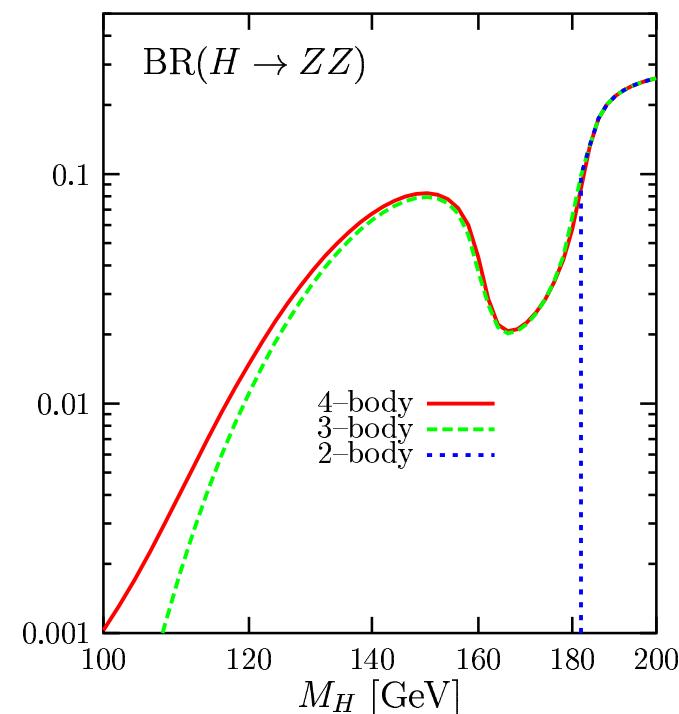
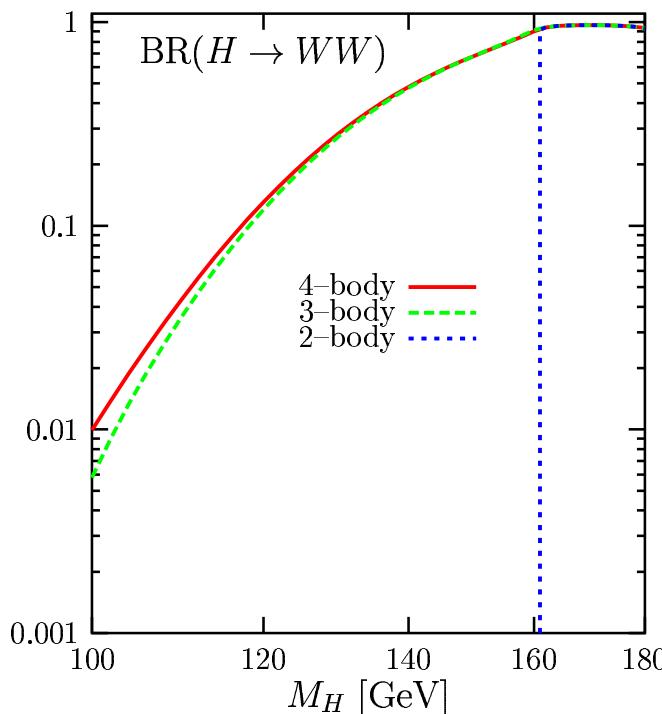
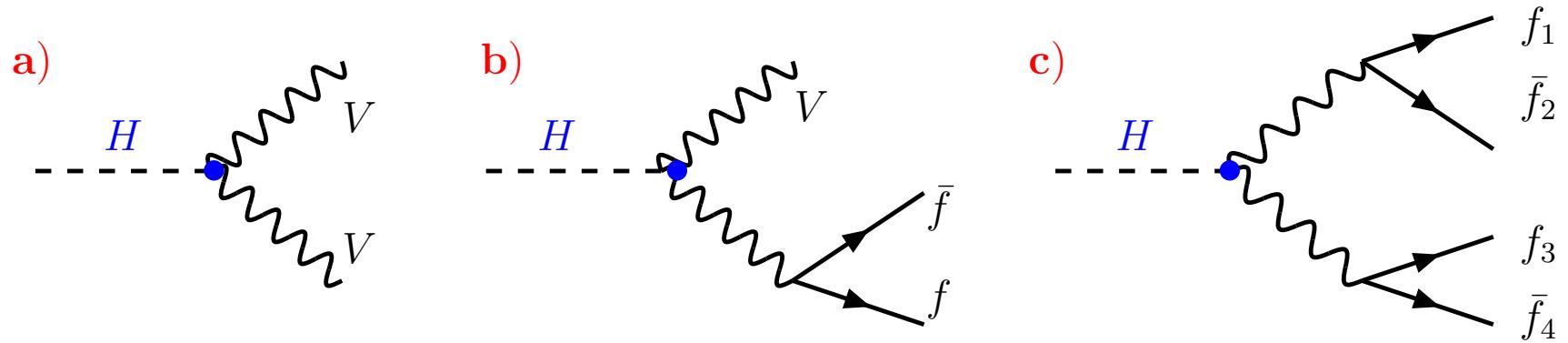


b)



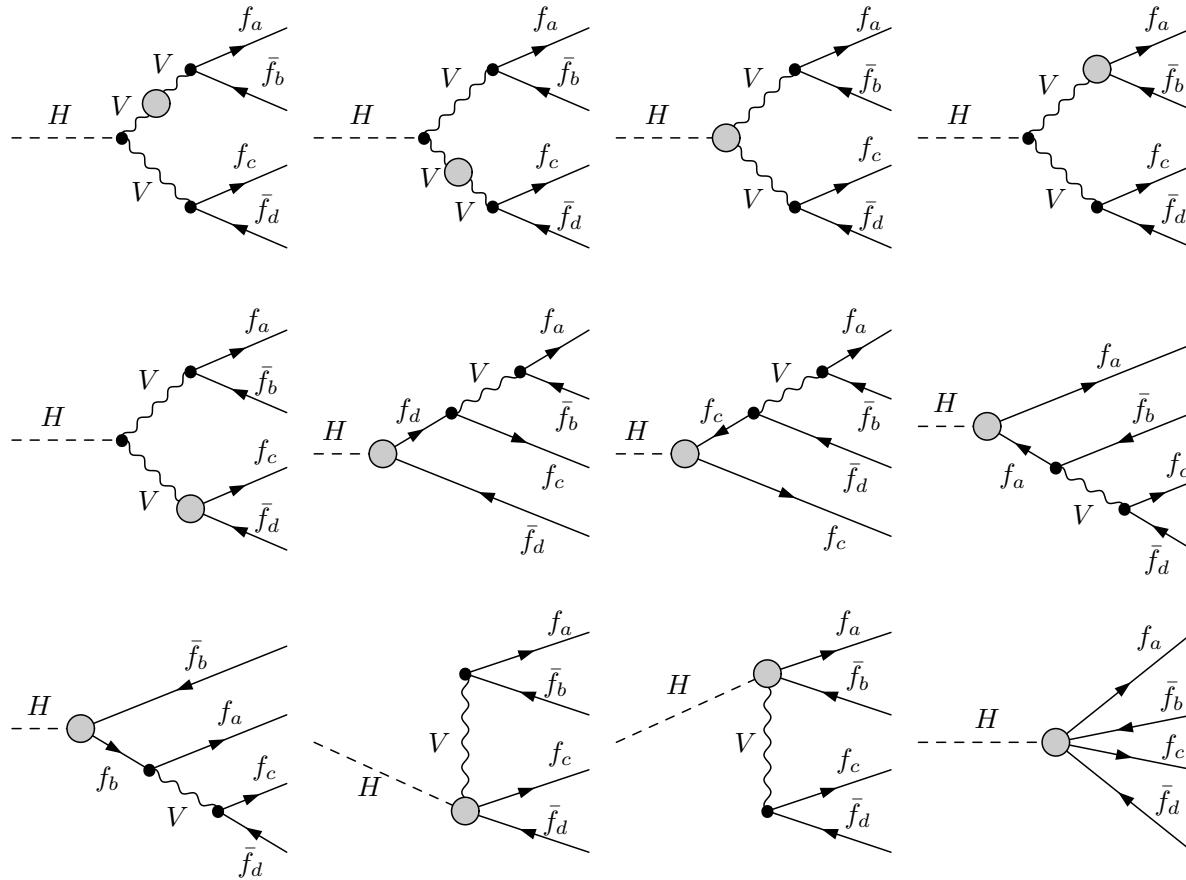
## Higgs decays into 4 fermions

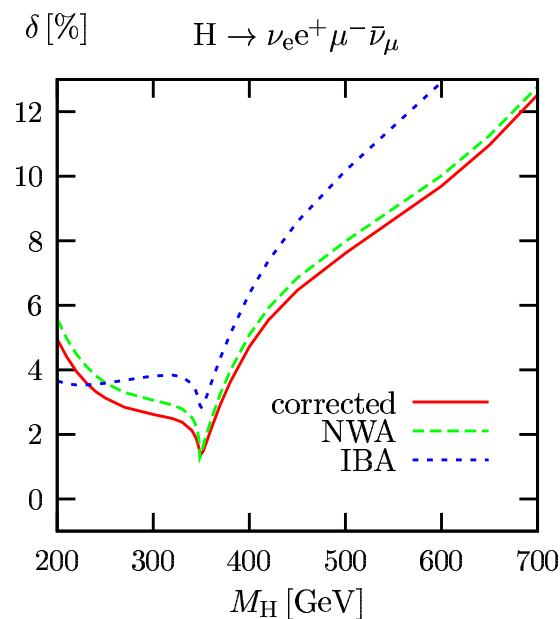
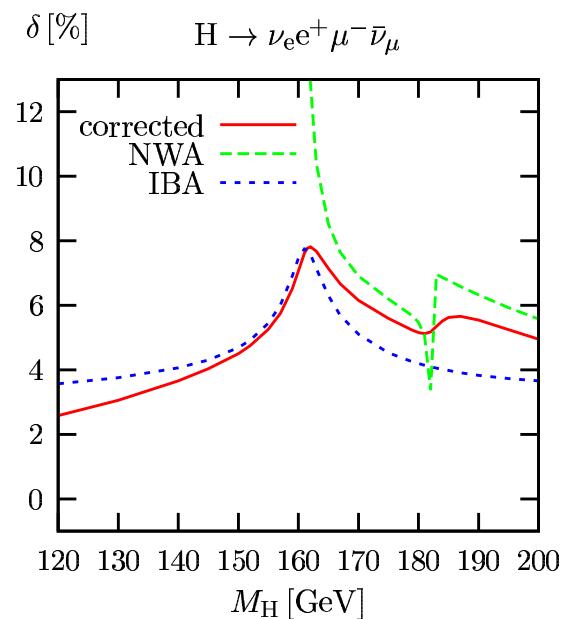
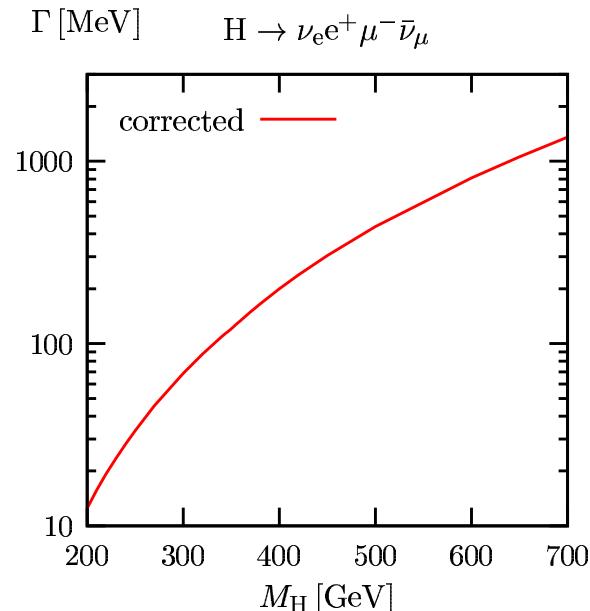
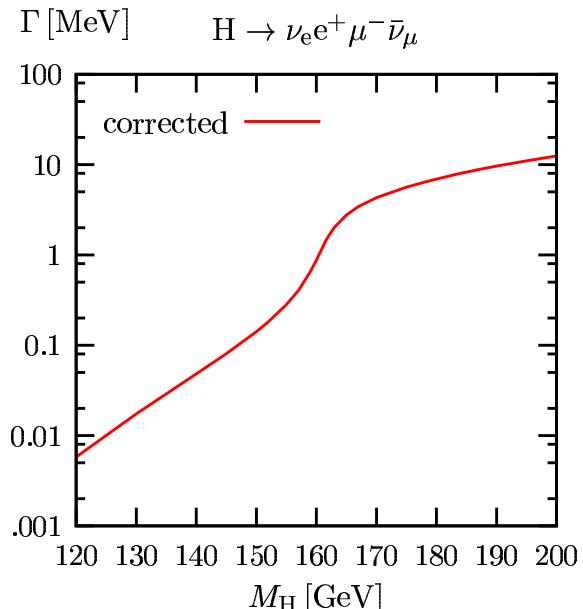
also below  $VV$  threshold with one or two  $V$  off-shell



$$H \rightarrow VV \rightarrow 4f$$

needs also background processes + h.o.





# Two-Doublet-Model Higgs Bosons

$$V(\Phi_1, \Phi_2) = \lambda_1 (\Phi_1^+ \Phi_1 - v_1^2)^2 + \lambda_2 (\Phi_2^+ \Phi_2 - v_2^2)^2 + \lambda_3 [(\Phi_1^+ \Phi_1 - v_1^2) + (\Phi_2^+ \Phi_2 - v_2^2)]^2 \\ + \lambda_4 [(\Phi_1^+ \Phi_1)(\Phi_2^+ \Phi_2) - (\Phi_1^+ \Phi_2)(\Phi_2^+ \Phi_1)] + \lambda_5 [Re(\Phi_1^+ \Phi_2) - v_1 v_2]^2 + \lambda_6 [Im(\Phi_1^+ \Phi_2)]^2$$

mass eigenstates:  $h^0, H^0, A^0, H^\pm$

free parameters:  $m_h, m_H, m_A, m_{H^\pm}, \tan \beta = \frac{v_2}{v_1}, \alpha, \lambda_5$

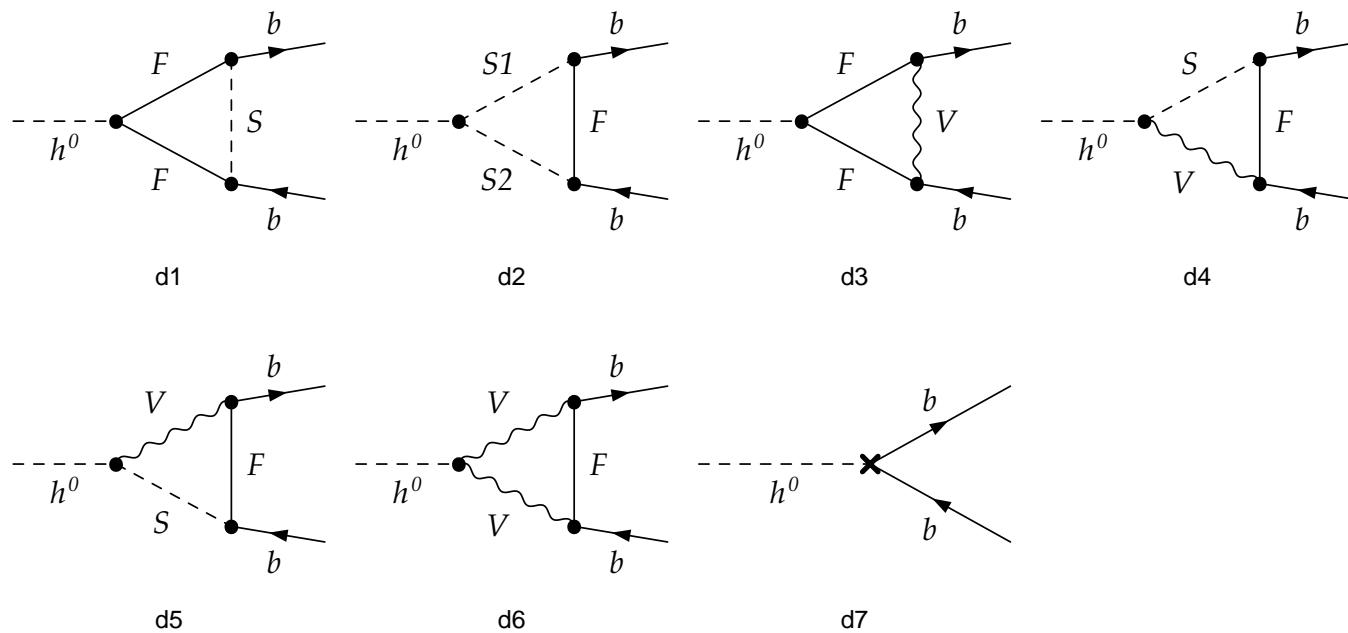
$$\lambda_1 = \frac{g^2}{16 \cos^2 \beta m_W^2} [m_H^2 + m_h^2 + (m_H^2 - m_h^2) \frac{\cos(2\alpha + \beta)}{\cos \beta}] + \lambda_3 (-1 + \tan^2 \beta) \\ \lambda_2 = \frac{g^2}{16 \sin^2 \beta m_W^2} [m_H^2 + m_h^2 + (m_h^2 - m_H^2) \frac{\sin(2\alpha + \beta)}{\sin \beta}] + \lambda_3 (-1 + \cot^2 \beta)$$

$$\lambda_4 = \frac{g^2 m_{H^\pm}^2}{2 m_W^2}, \quad \lambda_5 = \frac{g^2}{2 m_W^2} \frac{\sin 2\alpha}{\sin 2\beta} (m_H^2 - m_h^2) - 4\lambda_3, \quad \lambda_6 = \frac{g^2 m_A^2}{2 m_W^2}$$

$m_H \sim m_A \sim m_{H^\pm} \gg m_Z, \alpha \rightarrow \beta - \frac{\pi}{2}$ : ‘decoupling regime’

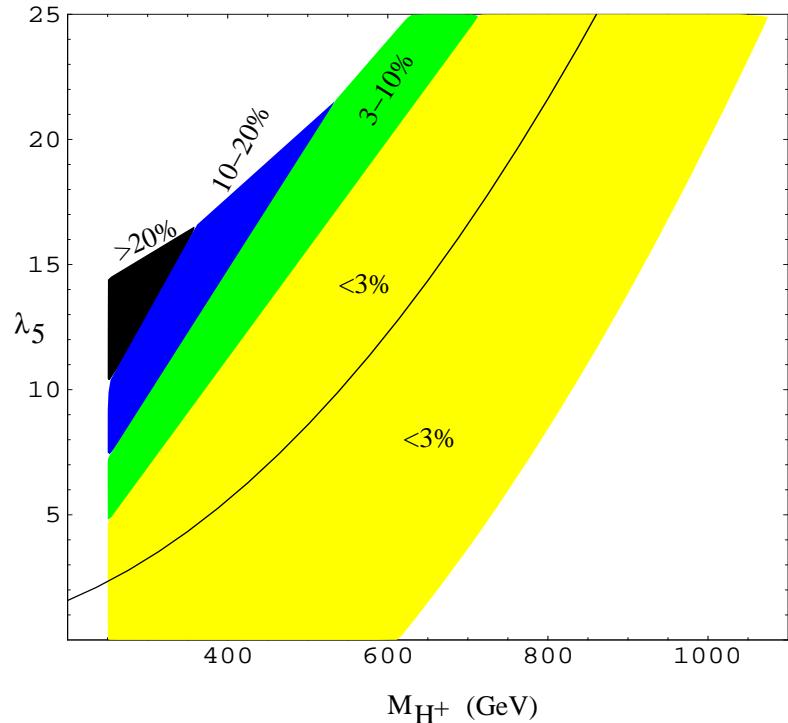
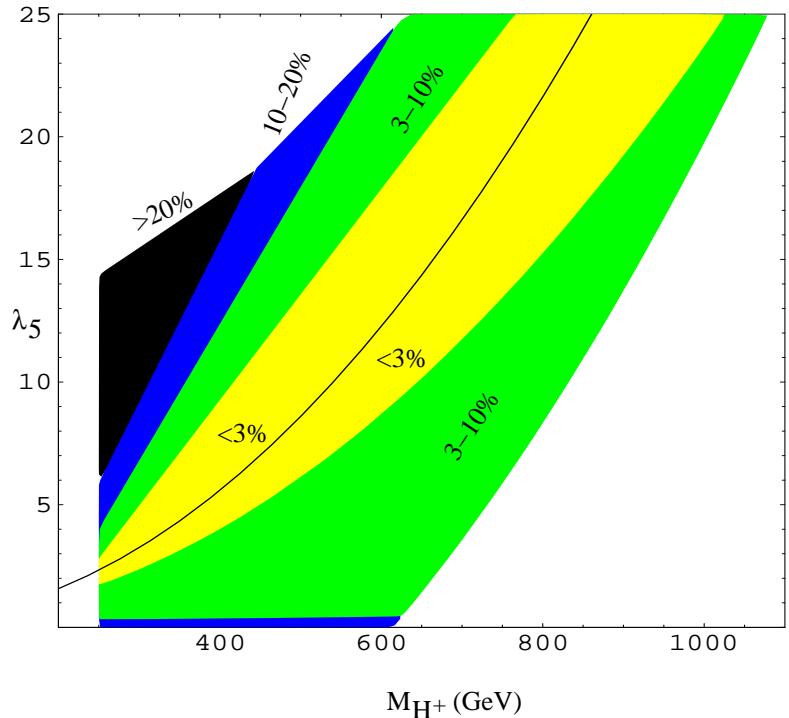
# decoupling regime

- $H^0, A^0, H^\pm$  decouple in EW precision observables,  
 $h^0$  with SM-like couplings to gauge bosons and fermions
- non-decoupling effects in  $h^0$  through self-couplings  
e.g. in  $h^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, h^0 \rightarrow b\bar{b}$



→ deviations from SM branching ratios

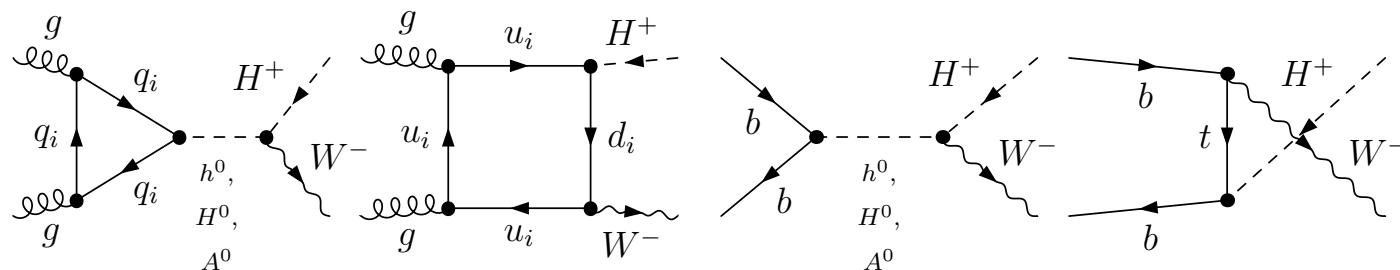
# relative deviation from SM branching ratios ( $m_h = 120$ GeV)



[Arhrib, WH, Peñaranda]

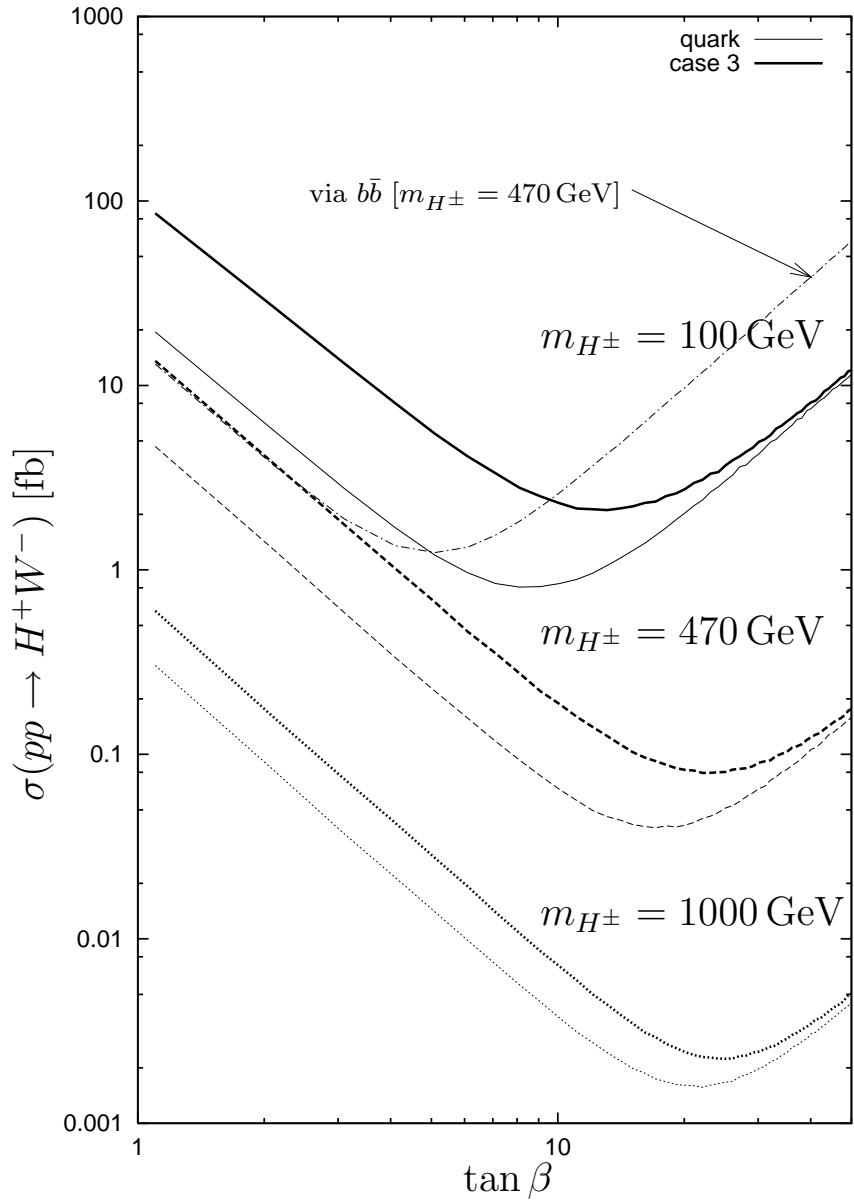
## Two-Doublet Higgs production at LHC

- for  $H^0, H^0, A^0$  similar mechanisms as for SM Higgs
- large contributions from  $b\bar{b}$  annihilation  
(enhanced Yukawa couplings)
- charged Higgs  $H^\pm$  through
  - $b\bar{b} \rightarrow H^+ H^-$ ,  $H^+ W^-$
  - $gg \rightarrow H^+ H^-$ ,  $H^+ W^-$  loop-induced



# $H^\pm W$ production with quark loops and squark loops (MSSM)

[Brein, WH, Kanemura]



# Higgs bosons in the MSSM

MSSM Higgs potential contains two Higgs doublets:

$$\begin{aligned} V = & m_1^2 H_1 \bar{H}_1 + m_2^2 H_2 \bar{H}_2 - m_{12}^2 (\epsilon_{ab} H_1^a H_2^b + \text{h.c.}) \\ & + \underbrace{\frac{g'^2 + g^2}{8}}_{\text{gauge couplings}} (H_1 \bar{H}_1 - H_2 \bar{H}_2)^2 + \underbrace{\frac{g^2}{2}}_{|H_1 \bar{H}_2|^2} |H_1 \bar{H}_2|^2 \end{aligned}$$

gauge couplings, in contrast to SM

Five physical states:  $h^0, H^0, A^0, H^\pm$

Input parameters:  $\tan \beta = \frac{v_2}{v_1}, M_A$

$\Rightarrow m_h, m_H, \text{mixing angle } \alpha, m_{H^\pm}$ : no free parameters

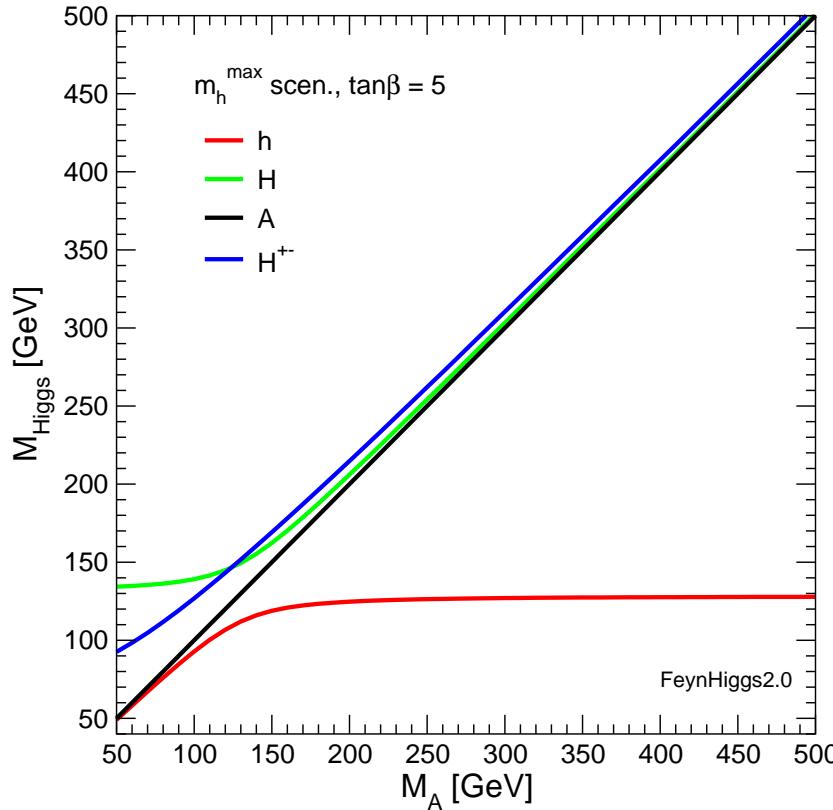
## SM Higgs:

- $\lambda\Phi^4$  term ad hoc
  - Higgs boson mass: free parameter
  - no a-priori reason for a light Higgs boson
  - SM (perturbatively) unstable at some high energy

SUSY Standard Model avoids these questions

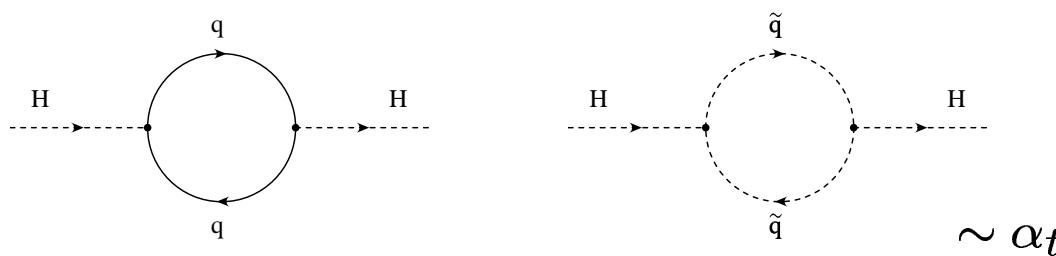
- SUSY gauge interaction  $\rightarrow H^4$  terms
  - self coupling remains weak

# Spectrum of Higgs bosons in the MSSM (example)



large  $M_A$ :  $h^0$  like SM Higgs boson  $\sim$  decoupling regime of THDM

$m_h^0$  strongly influenced by quantum effects, e.g.



⇒ Prediction for  $m_h$ ,  $m_H$ , ...

Tree-level result for  $m_h$ ,  $m_H$ :

$$m_{H,h}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left[ M_A^2 + M_Z^2 \pm \sqrt{(M_A^2 + M_Z^2)^2 - 4M_Z^2 M_A^2 \cos^2 2\beta} \right]$$

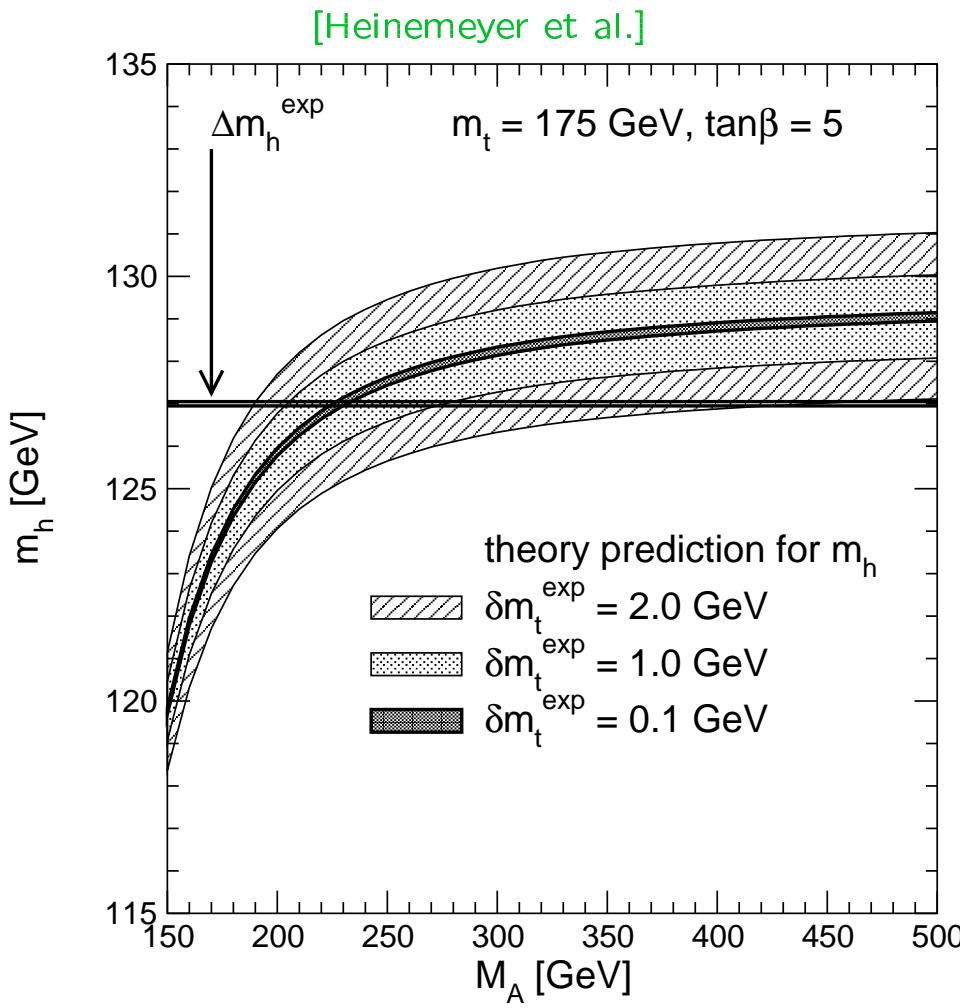
⇒  $m_h \leq M_Z$  at tree level

MSSM tree-level bound (gauge sector): excluded by LEP!

Large radiative corrections (Yukawa sector, ...):

Yukawa couplings:  $\frac{e m_t}{2M_W s_W}$ ,  $\frac{e m_t^2}{M_W s_W}$ , ...

⇒ Dominant one-loop corrections:  $G_\mu m_t^4 \ln \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{t}_1} m_{\tilde{t}_2}}{m_t^2} \right)$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(100\%)$  !



dependent on all SUSY particles and masses/mixings  
through Higgs self-energies

## determination of masses and couplings at higher order

- physical states  $h, H, A, H^\pm$
- conventional input:  $M_A, \tan \beta = v_2/v_1$

dressed  $h, H$  propagators, renormalized self-energies  $\hat{\Sigma}$

$$(\Delta_{\text{Higgs}})^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} q^2 - m_H^2 + \hat{\Sigma}_H(q^2) & \hat{\Sigma}_{hH}(q^2) \\ \hat{\Sigma}_{Hh}(q^2) & q^2 - m_h^2 + \hat{\Sigma}_h(q^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\det = 0 \rightarrow m_{h,H}^{\text{pole}}$
- diagonalization  $\rightarrow$  effective couplings ( $\alpha_{\text{eff}}$ )

1-loop: complete

2-loop:

- QCD corrections  $\sim \alpha_s \alpha_t, \alpha_s \alpha_b$
- Yukawa corrections  $\sim \alpha_t^2$

present theoretical uncertainty:

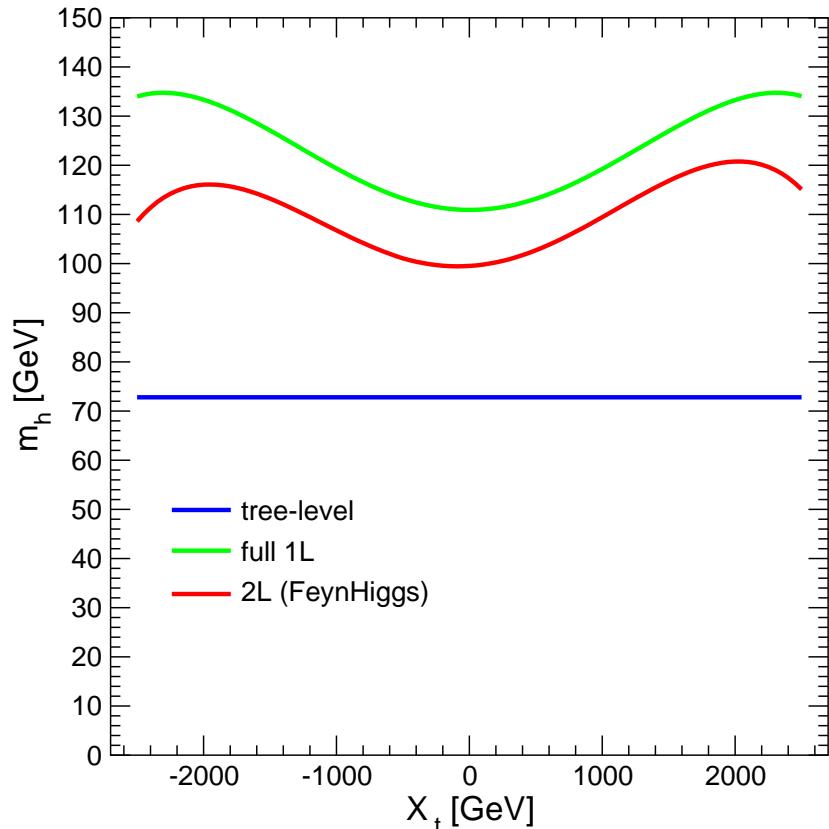
$$\delta m_h \simeq 4 \text{ GeV}$$

[Degrassi, Heinemeyer, WH, Slavich,  
Weiglein]

new version

FeynHiggs2.4.1

$m_{h^0}$  prediction at different levels of accuracy:

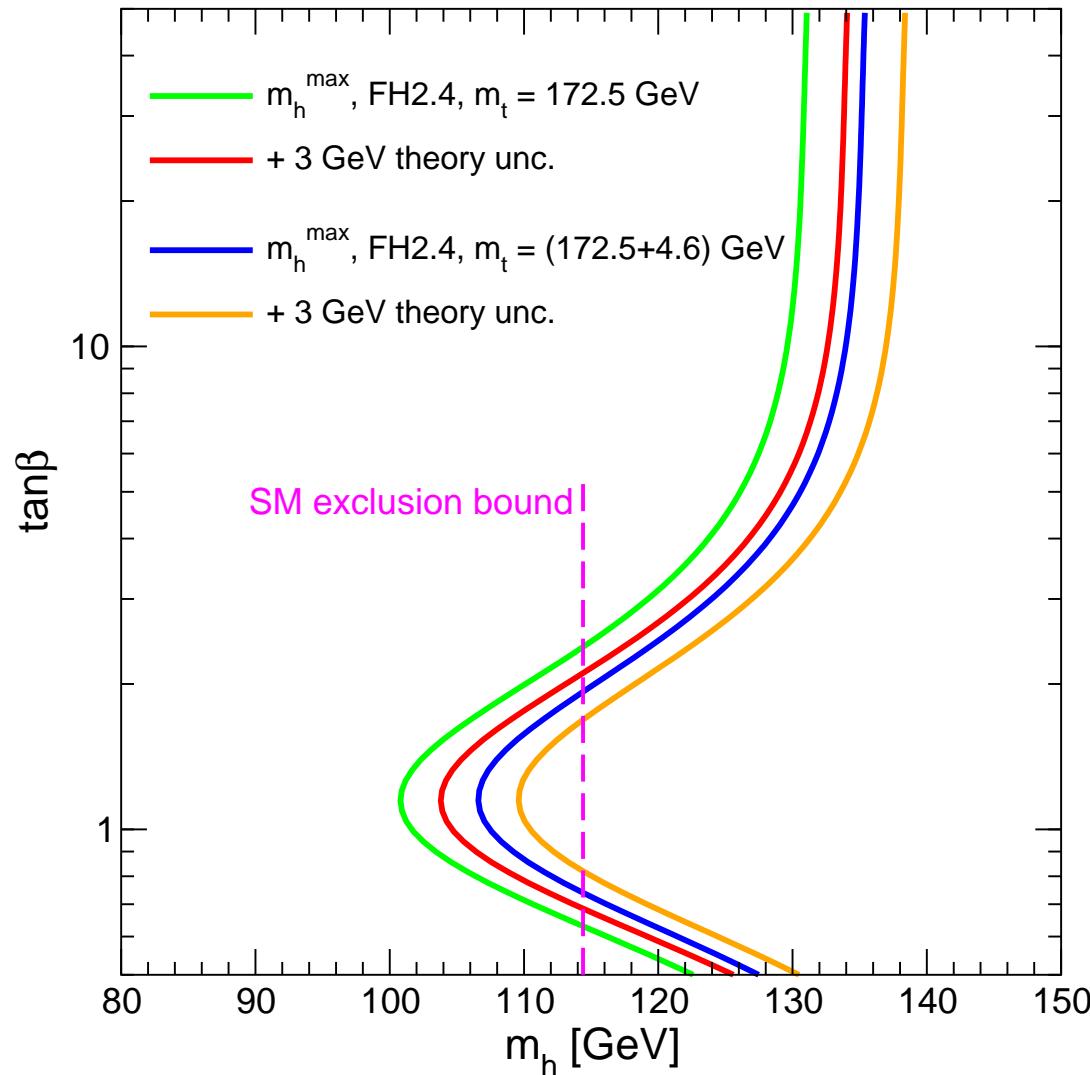


$$\tan \beta = 3, \quad M_{\tilde{Q}} = M_A = 1 \text{ TeV}, \quad m_{\tilde{g}} = 800 \text{ GeV}$$

$X_t$  : top-squark mixing parameter

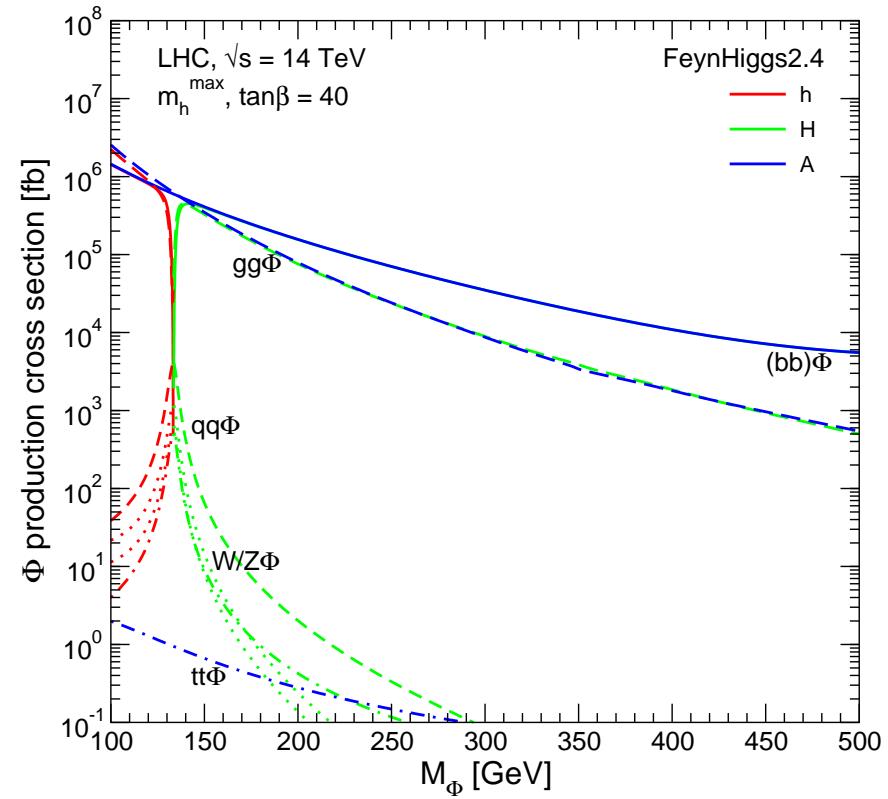
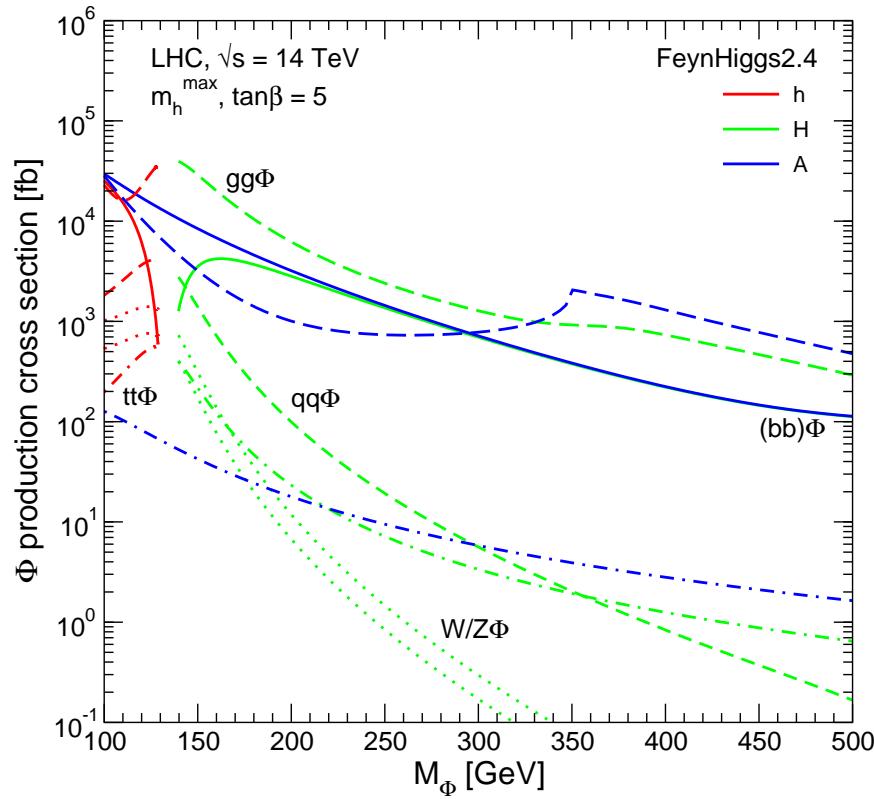
$$X_t = A_t - \mu \cot \beta$$

## exclusion limits for $m_h$



[Heinemeyer, WH, Weiglein]

# MSSM Higgs production at the LHC



[Hahn, Heinemeyer, Maltoni, Weiglein, Willenbrock]

## Recent theoretical developments:

### 1. Counterterms at two-loop order

ST identities valid in dimensional reduction (DR)

DR scheme consistent with symmetric counterterms

[WH, Stöckinger]

### 2. $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha_b)$ beyond $m_b^{\text{eff}}$ approximation

$m_b^{\text{eff}} = \frac{m_b}{1 + \Delta m_b}$  in  $\alpha_b$  Yukawa coupling

$\Delta m_b$  = non-decoupling SUSY contribution  $\sim \alpha_s \tan \beta$

[Heinemeyer, WH, Rzehak, Weiglein]

small shifts  $\sim$  few GeV, but stabilizes prediction

### 3. MSSM with complex parameters

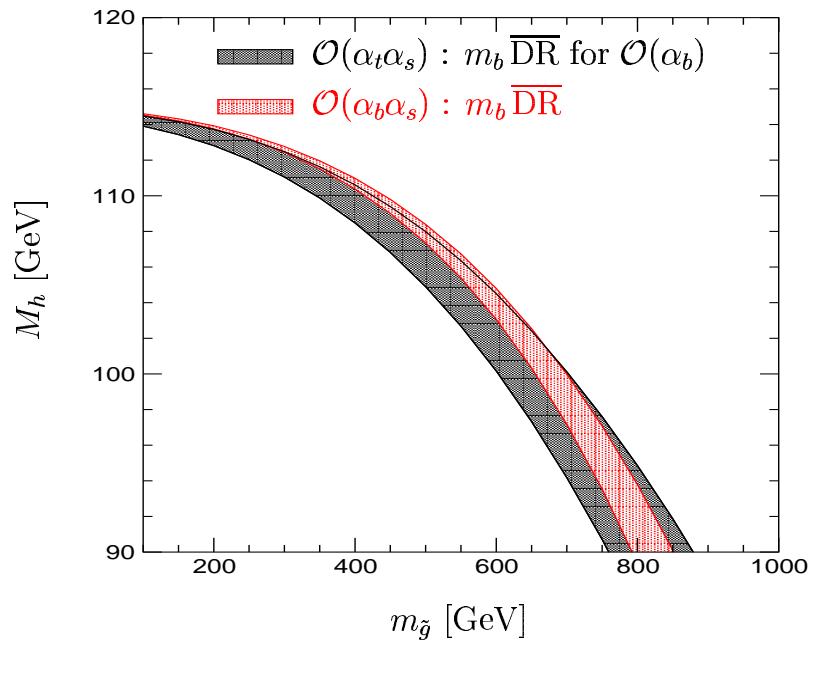
tree level: CP conserving Higgs sector

loop level: CP violation  $\leftarrow$  other sectors

$$(h, H, A) \rightarrow (h_3, h_2, h_1)$$

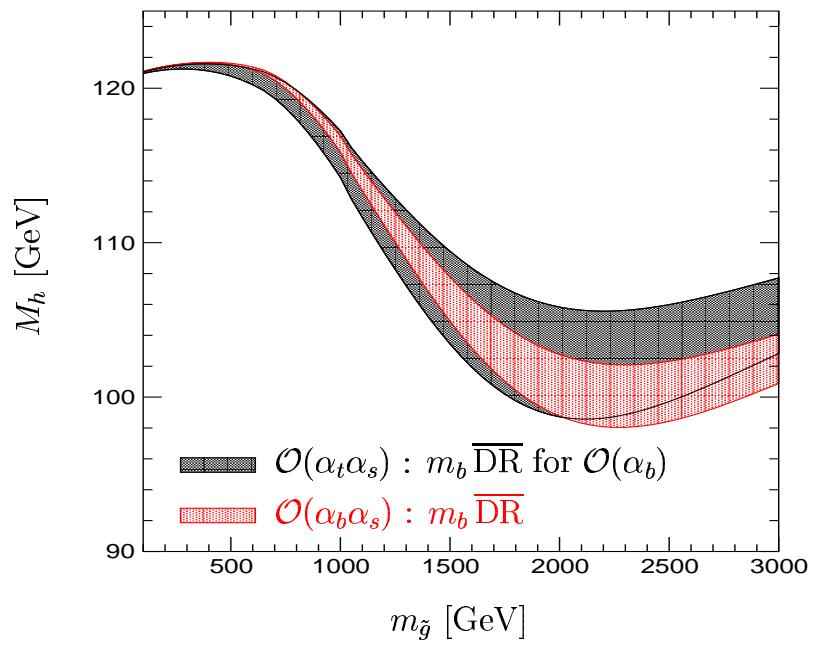
$$m_3 > m_2 > m_1$$

[Frank, Hahn, Heinemeyer, WH, Rzehak, Weiglein]

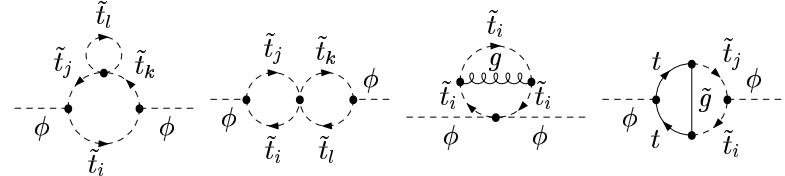
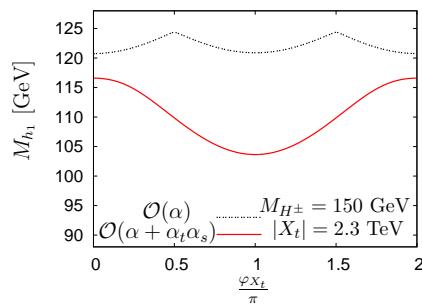
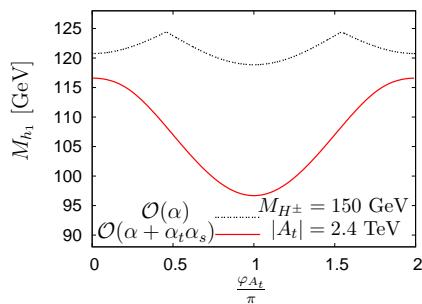
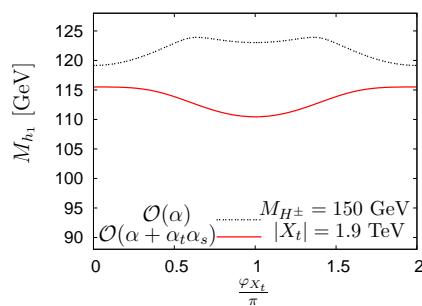
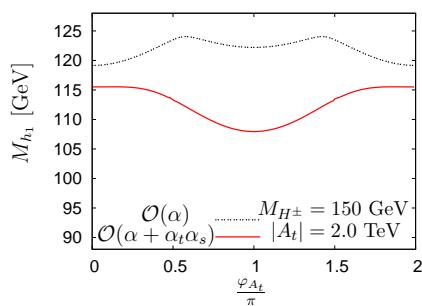
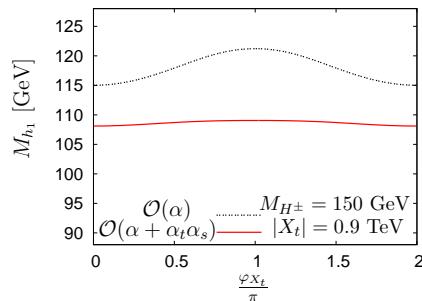
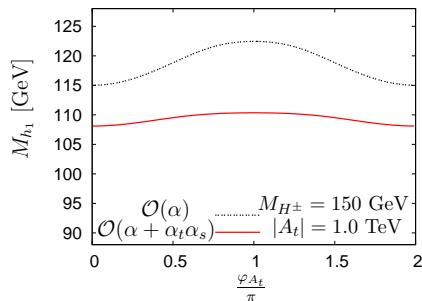


$$m_t/2 < \mu^{\overline{\text{DR}}} < 2 m_t$$

$$M_A = \begin{cases} 120 \text{ GeV} \\ 700 \text{ GeV} \end{cases}$$



# phase dependence of $m_{h_1}$



[H. Rzehak, Thesis]

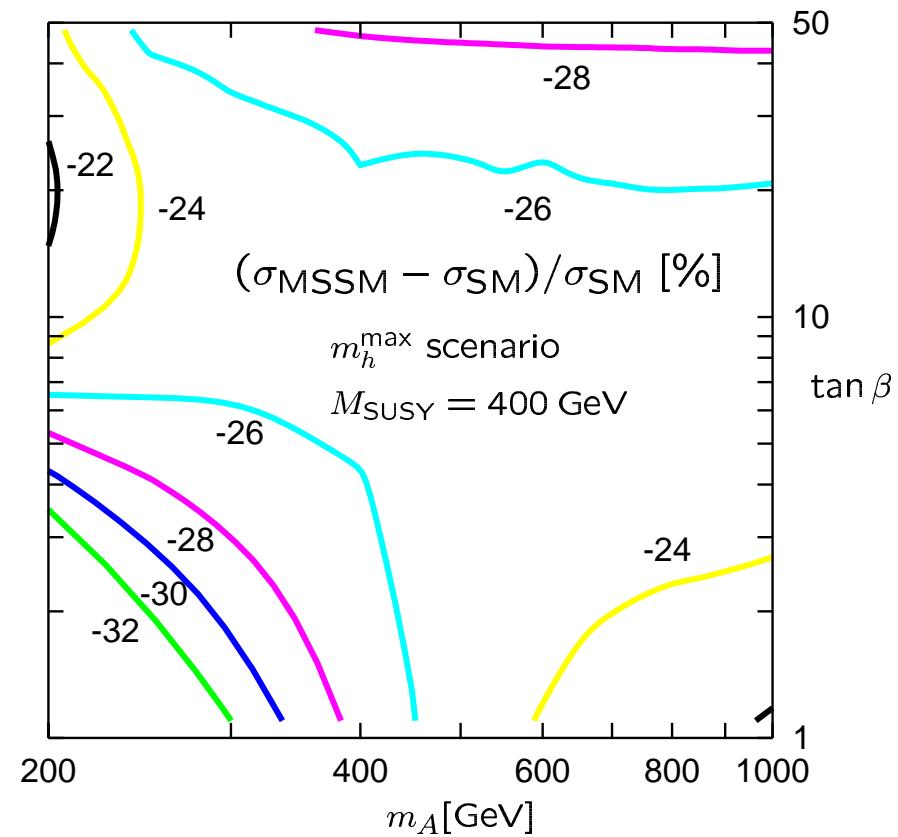
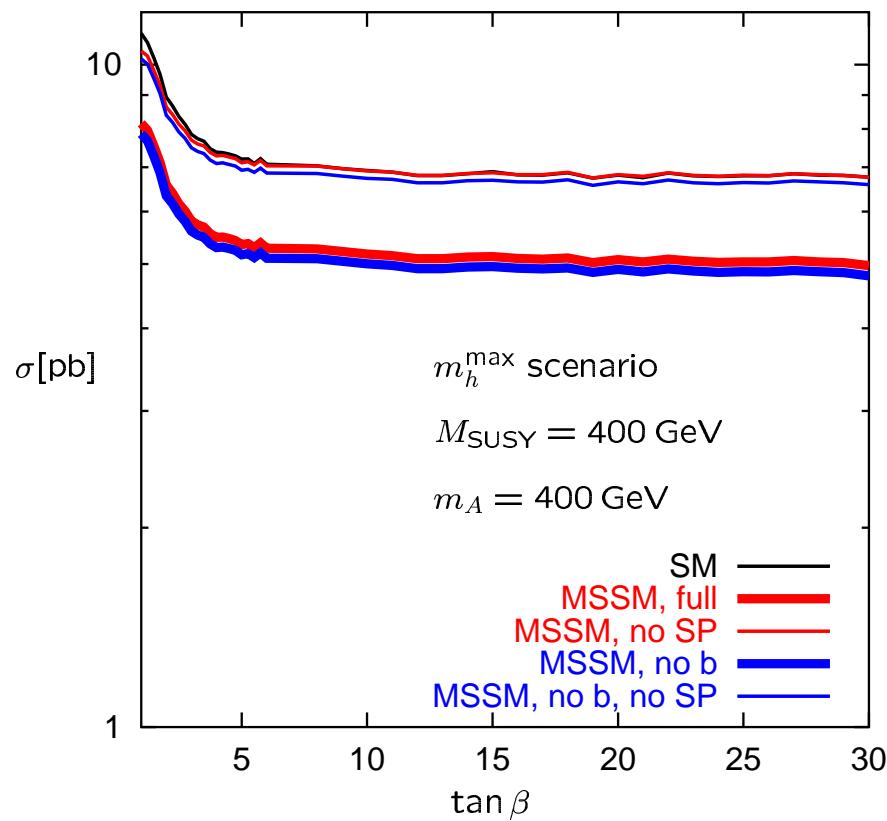
# Distinguishing scenarios?

- **direct** measured mass(es) of Higgs boson(s) *versus* **indirect** effects in precision observables
- more than one Higgs boson → beyond the SM  
precise determination of coupling constants  
→ separate SUSY from general THDM  
loop effects are important
- decoupling regime (only single Higgs observed) :  
difficult  
distinguishable only through quantum effects  
heavy virtual particles + non-decoupling effects

Example 1:  $pp \rightarrow h^0 + jet$

contour lines for deviations from SM

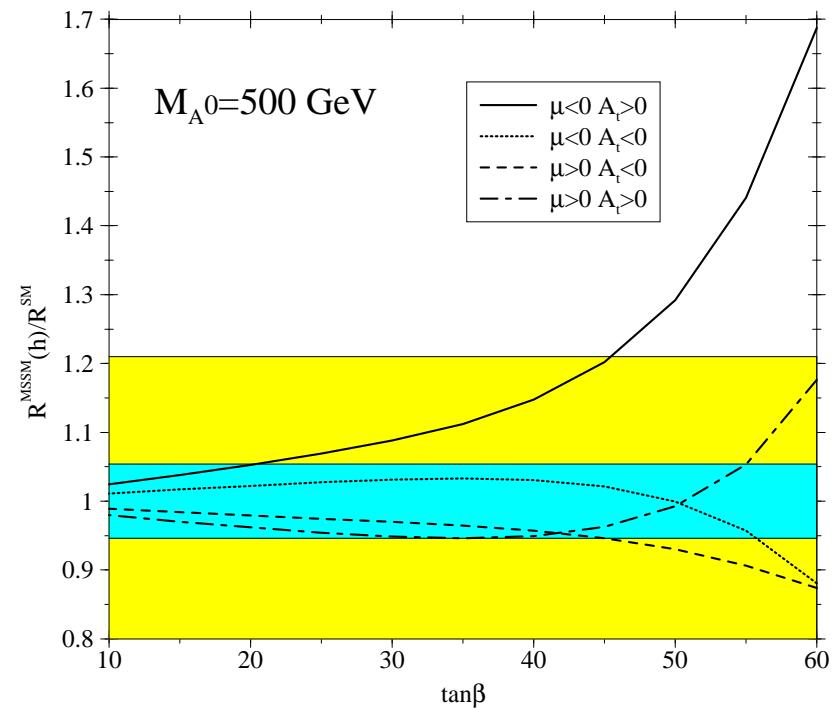
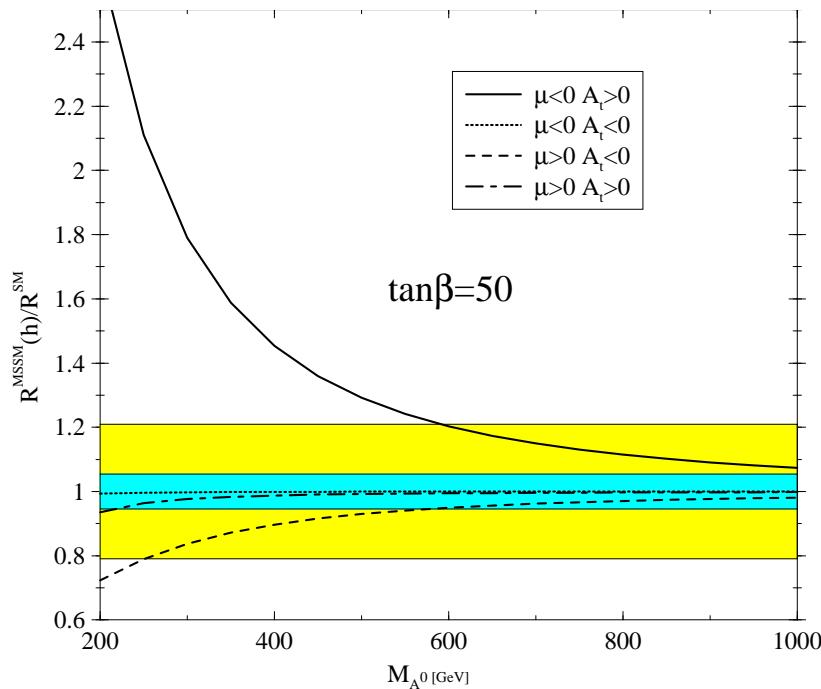
[Brein, WH]



## Example 2: branching ratio $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}/\tau^+\tau^-$

deviations from SM

[Guasch, WH, Peñaranda]



$$R = \frac{BR(h \rightarrow b\bar{b})}{BR(h \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-)} \text{ for SM and MSSM}$$

only differences from gluino and bino survive

# Outlook – Possible scenarios

- a single light Higgs boson
  - SM Higgs boson?
  - SUSY light Higgs boson?  
 $H, A, H^\pm$  heavy (decoupling scenario)  $h \sim H_{\text{SM}}$
- a light Higgs boson + more ( $H, A, H^\pm$ )
  - SUSY Higgs?
  - non-SUSY 2-Higgs-Doublet model?
- a single heavy Higgs boson ( $\gg 200$  GeV)
  - SUSY ruled out
  - SM + (?) strong interaction?
- no Higgs boson
  - strongly interacting weak interaction  
new strong force  $\sim$  TeV scale