

# MSSM Working Group Experimental Summary

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# MSSM Higgs Analyses from ATLAS and CMS

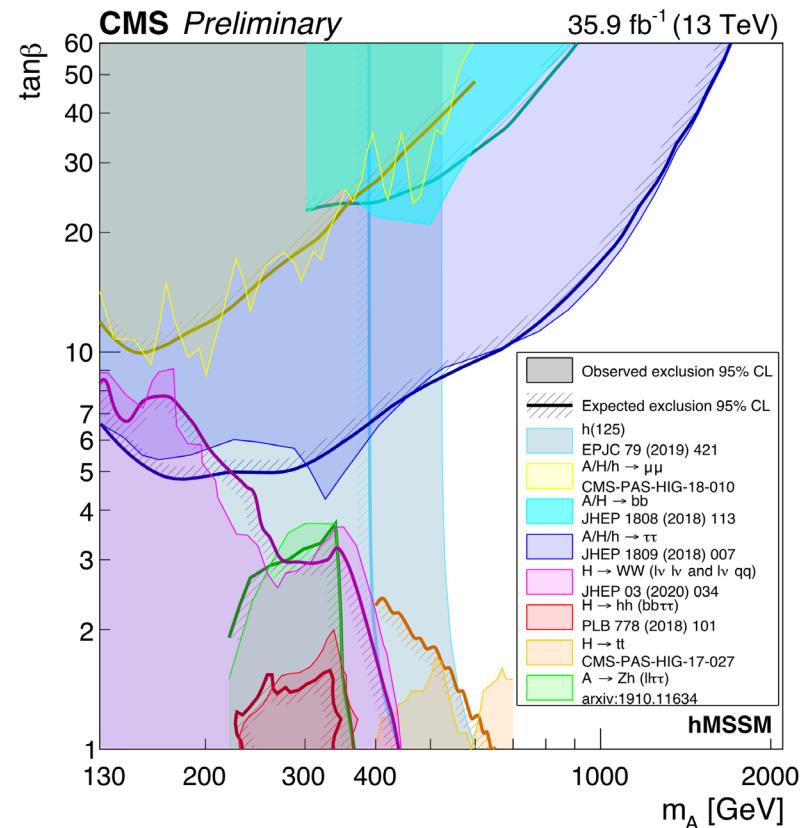
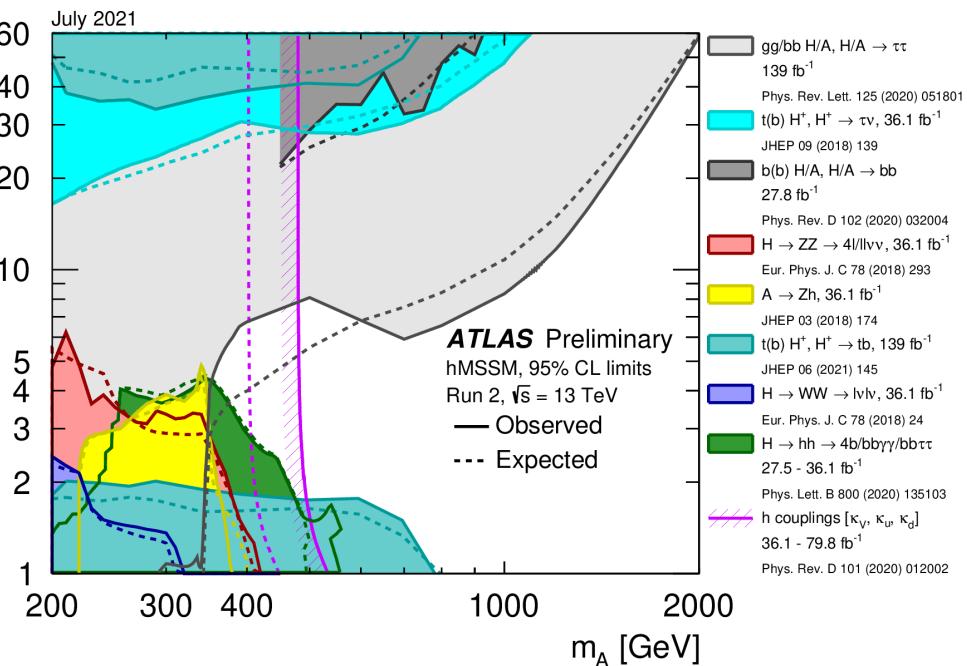
Channel	Mass (TeV)	ATLAS	CMS
H/A $\rightarrow\tau\tau$	0.09 – 3.2	139 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">Phys. Rev. Lett. 125 (2020) 051801</a>	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP 09 (2018) 007</a>
H/A $\rightarrow bb$	0.3 – 2.0	28 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">Phys. Rev. D 102 (2020) 032004</a>	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP 08 (2018) 113</a>
H/A $\rightarrow tt$	0.3 – 1.4	20 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">Phys. Rev. Lett. 119 (2017) 191803</a>	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP 04 (2020) 171</a>
H/A $\rightarrow\mu\mu$	0.13 – 1.0	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP 07 (2019) 117</a>	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">Phys. Lett. B 798 (2019) 134992</a>
A $\rightarrow Z h$	0.3 – 5.0	139 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">ATLAS-CONF-2020-043</a>	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP03 (2020) 065</a>
A $\rightarrow Z H$	0.23 – 0.8	139 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">Eur. Phys. J. C. 81 (2021) 396</a>	
H $\rightarrow Z A$	0.12 – 1.0		36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP 03 (2020) 055</a>
H $\rightarrow hh$	0.25 – 1.3	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">Phys. Lett. B 800 (2019) 135103</a>	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">Phys. Lett. B 778 (2018) 101</a>
H $^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$	0.09 – 2.0	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP 09 (2018) 139</a>	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP 07 (2019) 142</a>
H $^+ \rightarrow tb$	0.2 – 2.0	139 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP 06 (2021) 145</a>	36 fb $^{-1}$ <a href="#">JHEP 01 (2020) 096</a>

No change from Nov 2020 except some conf notes are now published papers

Most analyses with  $\leq 36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  are being updated to full Run2  $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  - results in 2022

# hMSSM summary plots from ATLAS and CMS

tan $\beta$



[ATL-PHYS-PUB-2021-030](#)

[CMS public Higgs PAG Summary Plots](#)

# Limits in the $M_h^{125}$ scenarios are slow in coming, but we have the root files

## Baseline scenarios

Subsequently you find ROOT histograms for the MSSM benchmark scenarios defined in:

"MSSM Higgs Boson Searches at the LHC: Benchmark Scenarios for Run 2 and Beyond"

Emanuele Bagdaschi, Henning Bahl, Elina Fuchs, Thomas Hahn, Sven Heinemeyer, Stefan Liebler, Shruti Patel, Pietro Slavich, Tim Stefański, Carlos E.M. Wagner, Georg Weiglein

arXiv:1808.07542

InSPIRE texkey: `\cite{Bahl:2018zmf}`

Most scans in the  $m_A$ - $\tan\beta$ -plane have been made between  $m_A=70$  GeV and  $m_A=2600$  GeV and between  $\tan\beta=0.5$  and 60.

### `SM_h^(125)$`

- This scenario is characterized by relatively heavy superparticles, so the Higgs phenomenology at the LHC resembles that of a THDM with MSSM-inspired Higgs couplings.
- [mh125\\_8.root](#): 8 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV
- [mh125\\_13.root](#): 13 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV
- [mh125\\_14.root](#): 14 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV

### `SM_h^(125)(tilde chi)`

- This scenario is characterized by all charginos and neutralinos being relatively light, with significant higgsino-gaugino mixing. This affects the decays of the heavier Higgs bosons, weakening the exclusion bounds from  $H/A \rightarrow \tau\bar{\tau}$  searches, as well as the decay of the SM-like Higgs boson to photons. On the other hand, the possibility to look for additional Higgs bosons through their decays to charginos and neutralinos opens up.
- [mh125\\_lc\\_8.root](#): 8 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV
- [mh125\\_lc\\_13.root](#): 13 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV
- [mh125\\_lc\\_14.root](#): 14 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV

### `SM_h^(125)(tilde tau)`

- This scenario is characterized by light staus and light gaugino-like charginos and neutralinos. The effect of the light staus on the decays of the heavier Higgs bosons, as well as on the decay of the SM-like Higgs boson to photons, is most relevant at large  $\tan\beta$ . Compared with the previous scenario, a larger mass for the higgsinos implies that the decays of the heavier Higgs bosons to charginos and neutralinos become relevant at larger values of  $m_A$ .
- [mh125\\_ls\\_8.root](#): 8 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV
- [mh125\\_ls\\_13.root](#): 13 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV
- [mh125\\_ls\\_14.root](#): 14 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV

### `SM_h^(125)(alignment)`

- This scenario is characterized by the phenomenon of "alignment without decoupling", in which, for a given value of  $\tan\beta$ , one of the two neutral CP-even scalars has SM-like couplings independently of the mass spectrum of the remaining Higgs bosons. In particular, for  $\tan\beta$  around 7 the properties of the lighter scalar  $h$  are in agreement with those of the observed Higgs boson also for relatively low values of  $m_A$ .
- [NOTE: In contrast to the definition in arXiv:1808.07542, the ROOT files start only at  $m_A > 120$  GeV due to a theoretically inaccessible region at low  $m_A < 120$  GeV and  $\tan\beta > 10$ .]
- [mh125\\_align\\_8.root](#): 8 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 1\text{-}20$ ,  $m_A = 120\text{-}1000$  GeV
- [mh125\\_align\\_13.root](#): 13 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 1\text{-}20$ ,  $m_A = 120\text{-}1000$  GeV
- [mh125\\_align\\_14.root](#): 14 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 1\text{-}20$ ,  $m_A = 120\text{-}1000$  GeV

### `SM_H^(125)(alignment)`

- This scenario is characterized by the phenomenon of "alignment without decoupling", in which, for a given value of  $\tan\beta$ , one of the two neutral CP-even scalars has SM-like couplings independently of the mass spectrum of the remaining Higgs bosons. In particular, for this scenario the properties of the heavier scalar  $H$  are tuned to be in agreement with those of the observed Higgs boson, part of the parameter plane.
- [NOTE: ROOT files temporarily generated using [FeynHiggs](#) only!]
- [mhH125\\_8.root](#): 8 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 5\text{-}6$ ,  $m_H = 150\text{-}200$  GeV
- [mhH125\\_13.root](#): 13 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 5\text{-}6$ ,  $m_H = 150\text{-}200$  GeV
- [mhH125\\_14.root](#): 14 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 5\text{-}6$ ,  $m_H = 150\text{-}200$  GeV

### `SM_(h_1)^(125)(CPV)`

- This scenario incorporates CP violation in the Higgs sector and gives rise to a strong admixture of the two heavier neutral states, leading to significant interference effects in their production and decay which weaken the exclusion bounds from  $\tau\bar{\tau}$  searches.
- [NOTE: The scenario contains three neutral Higgs bosons  $H_1$ ,  $H_2$  and  $H_3$  rather than  $h$ ,  $H$  and  $A$ .  $H_1$  is understood as the SM-like Higgs boson with a mass at 125 GeV in large parts of the parameter space. The input parameters are  $\tan\beta$  and the charged Higgs mass  $m_H$  rather than  $m_A$ . Please consider `mssm_xs_tools.h` for new access functions for the cross sections, masses and branching ratios. In contrast to the CP conserving scenarios we do not provide relative Yukawa couplings as those do have a real and imaginary contribution to both the vector and axial-vector component. On the other hand, we do provide interference factors  $\text{eta}(bb \rightarrow H_2/H_3 \rightarrow bb/\tau\bar{\tau})$  as in such channels large destructive interferences between  $H_2$  and  $H_3$  appear. When interpreting a search in those final states, do not forget to multiply  $\sigma(bb \rightarrow H_2/H_3)^* \text{BR}(H_2/H_3 \rightarrow bb/\tau\bar{\tau})$  with the corresponding  $(1+\text{eta})$  factor! This scenario needs access tool version 2.3 or higher.]
- [mh125\\_CPV\\_8.root](#): 8 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 1\text{-}20$ ,  $m_H = 130\text{-}1500$  GeV
- [mh125\\_CPV\\_13.root](#): 13 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 1\text{-}20$ ,  $m_H = 130\text{-}1500$  GeV
- [mh125\\_CPV\\_14.root](#): 14 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 1\text{-}20$ ,  $m_H = 130\text{-}1500$  GeV

## Negative mu scenarios

A set of scenarios corresponding to the `SM_h^(125)$` one but with negative values of  $\$mu = -1, -2, -3\$$  [TeV](#) have been defined in

"HL-LHC and ILC sensitivities in the hunt for heavy Higgs bosons"

H. Bahl, P. Bechtle, S. Heinemeyer, S. Liebler, T. Stefański, G. Weiglein

arXiv:2005.14536

InSPIRE texkey: `\cite{Bahl:2020kwe}`

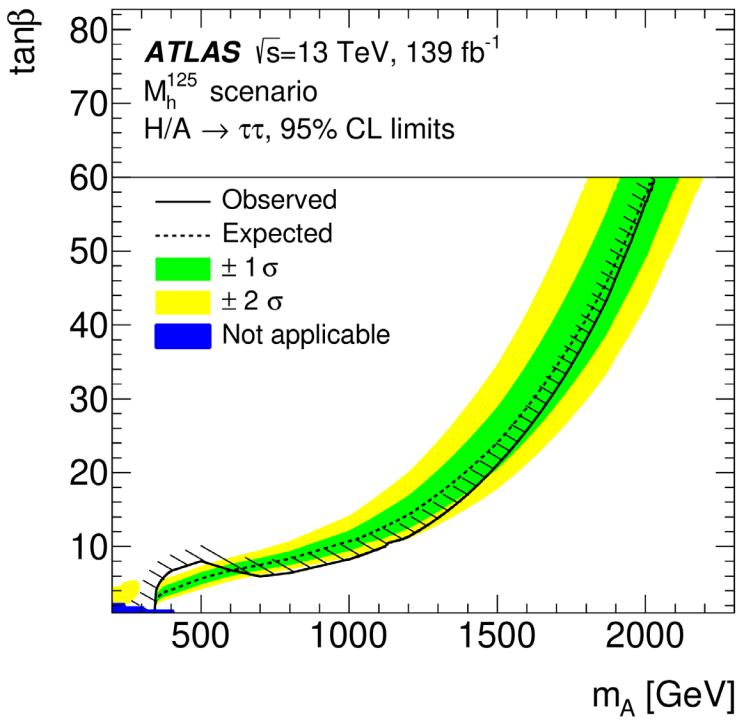
These scenarios are characterized by larger  $\$Delta_b\$$  effects, which reduce the allowed parameter space.

### `SM_h^(125)($mu = -1$ TeV)`

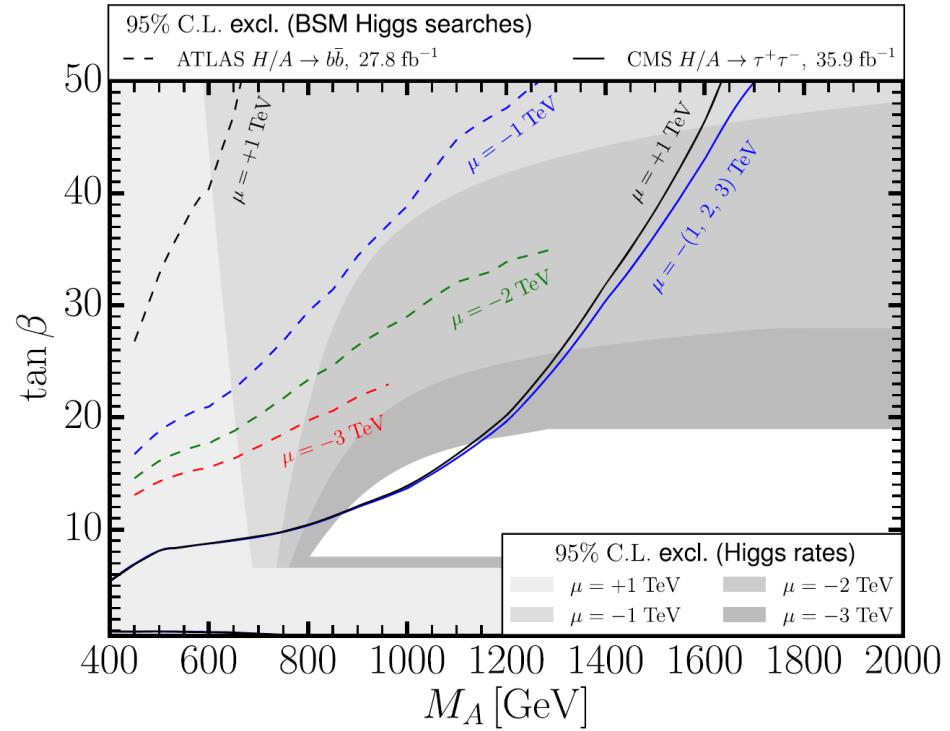
- [mh125\\_muneg\\_1\\_8.root](#): 8 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV
- [mh125\\_muneg\\_1\\_13.root](#): 13 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV
- [mh125\\_muneg\\_1\\_14.root](#): 14 TeV,  $\tan\beta = 0.5\text{-}60$ ,  $m_A = 70\text{-}2600$  GeV

# Example limits in the $M_h^{125}$ scenarios

$M_h^{125}$



$M_h^{125} \quad \mu < 0$



# Likelihood Scans

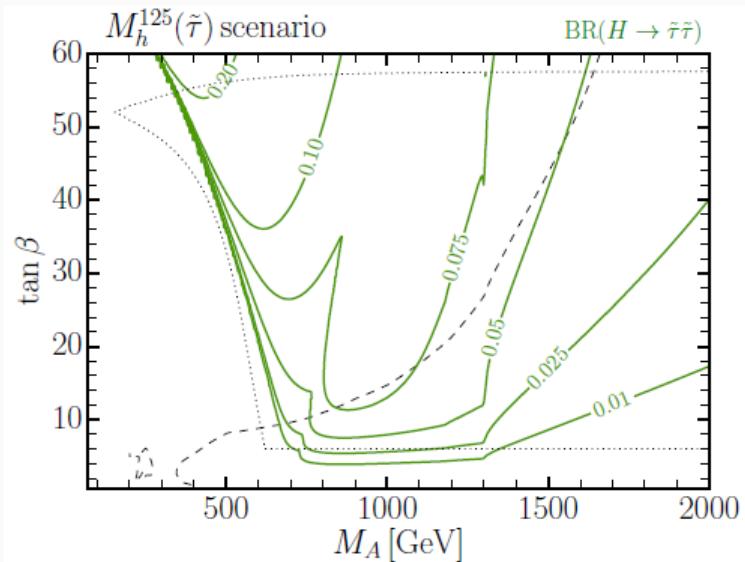
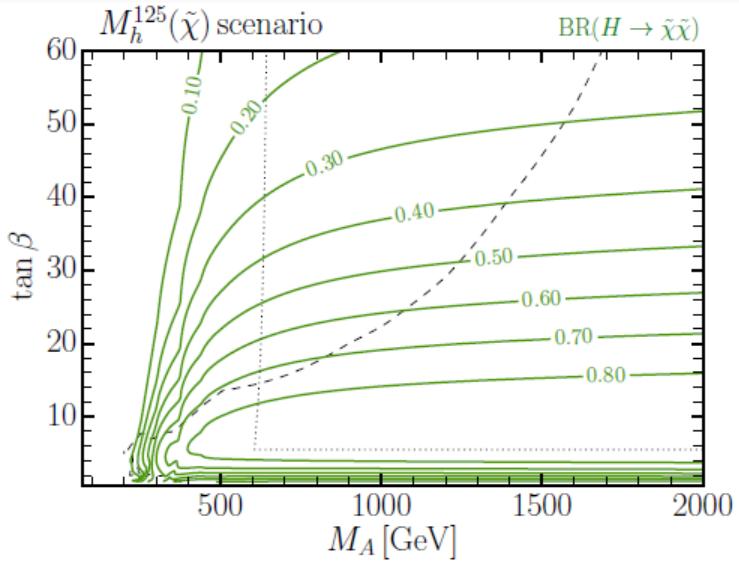
## Table of parameters of interest for model-independent (profiled) $\Delta(-\ln\mathcal{L})$ scans

In the following, a table of parameters is given, for which (profiled)  $\Delta(-\ln\mathcal{L})$  scans are desired to be provided by direct, model-independent searches of experimental collaborations for re-interpretation by theory community. These parameters of interest depend on the particular production and decay channels of considered BSM Higgs bosons.

Channel	Discrete Parameters	Continuous Parameters
$pp \rightarrow \phi + X \rightarrow \tau\tau + X$	$m_\phi$	$\sigma(gg\phi) \cdot BR, \sigma(bb\phi) \cdot BR$
$pp \rightarrow b(b)\phi + X \rightarrow b(b)bb + X$	$m_\phi$	$\sigma(b(b)\phi) \cdot BR$
$pp \rightarrow \phi + X \rightarrow tt + X$	$m_\phi, \Gamma_\phi/m_\phi$	$g_{\phi \leftrightarrow tt}$
$pp \rightarrow \phi + X \rightarrow \mu\mu + X$	$m_\phi, \Gamma_\phi/m_\phi$	$\sigma(gg\phi) \cdot BR, \sigma(bb\phi) \cdot BR$
$pp \rightarrow tbH^\pm + X \rightarrow tb\{tb, \tau\nu\} + X$	$m_{H^\pm}$	$\sigma(tbH^\pm) \cdot BR$
$pp \rightarrow t + X \rightarrow bH^\pm + X \rightarrow b\{tb, \tau\nu\} + X$	$m_{H^\pm}$	$BR(t \rightarrow bH^\pm) \cdot BR$

ATLAS and CMS have generally agreed to provide these likelihood scans as part of their final Run2  $139\text{ fb}^{-1}$  results.

# A/H → SUSY states



Not aware of ongoing analyses by ATLAS or CMS

Heavy Higgs decays to light gauginos and sleptons should be given consideration.