

# **Searches for additional heavy Higgs bosons at CMS**

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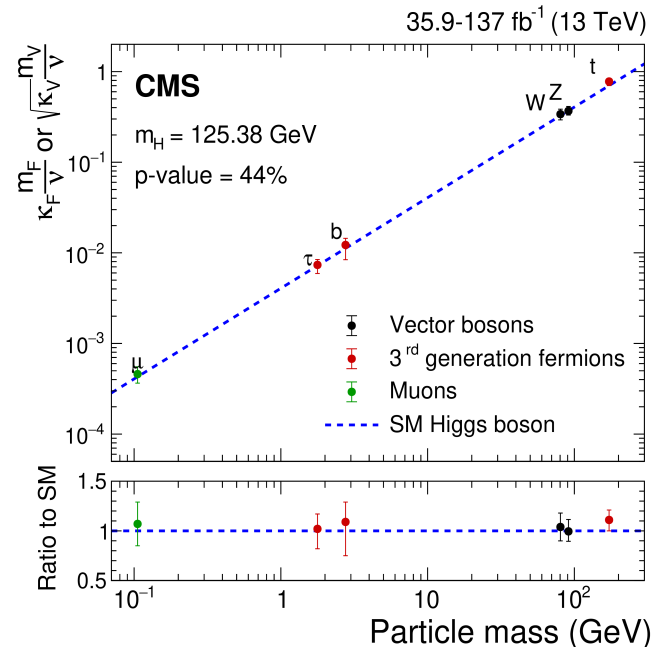
# Introduction

- H(125) boson properties are consistent (at the current level of precision) with SM predictions
- Theories beyond SM motivated by observed phenomena (dark matter, neutrino masses, ...) and theoretical arguments (hierarchy problem)
- New physics can manifest itself in the Higgs sector via

deviation of the H(125) couplings to fermions and bosons from SM predictions

exotic decays of H(125)

existence of additional neutral and charged scalars



$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow H_{\text{SM}}$$

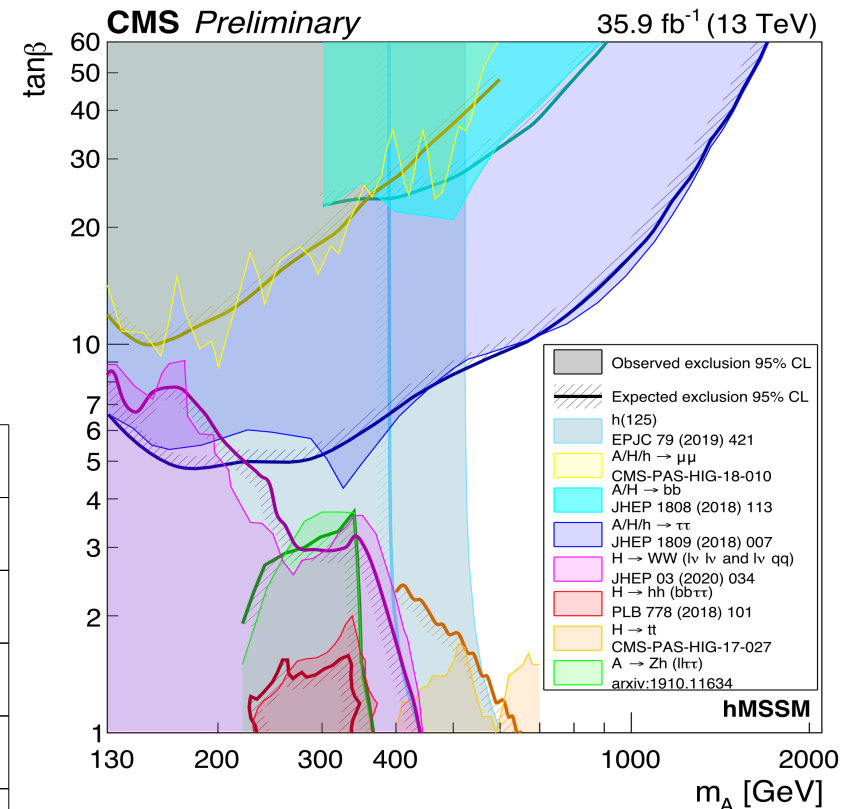
$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^+ \\ \phi_1^0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2^+ \\ \phi_2^0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow h, H, A, H^\pm$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^+ \\ \phi_1^0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2^+ \\ \phi_2^0 \end{pmatrix} + s \Rightarrow h_{(1,2,3)}, a_{(1,2)}, h^\pm$$

# Heavy neutral Higgs bosons of MSSM

- Minimal Supersymmetric extension of the SM (MSSM) contains two Higgs doublets  
 $\Phi_1$  couples to  $\ell^\pm$  and down-type q,  $\Phi_2$  couples to up-type q
- 5 physical states : h, H, A,  $H^\pm$   
h is identified with  $h_{125}$
- described by two parameters  
 $\tan\beta = \langle\Phi_2\rangle/\langle\Phi_1\rangle$  and  $m_A$
- searches for H/A with 2016 dataset

	production		
decay	$gg \rightarrow H(A)$	$bbH(A)$	$qqH$
$H(A) \rightarrow \tau\tau$	x	x	
$H(A) \rightarrow bb$		x	
$H(A) \rightarrow \mu\mu$	x	x	
$H(A) \rightarrow tt$	x		
$A \rightarrow Zh(\ell\ell\tau\tau)$	x		
$H \rightarrow hh(bb\tau\tau)$	x		
$H \rightarrow WW(2\ell 2\nu)$	x		x

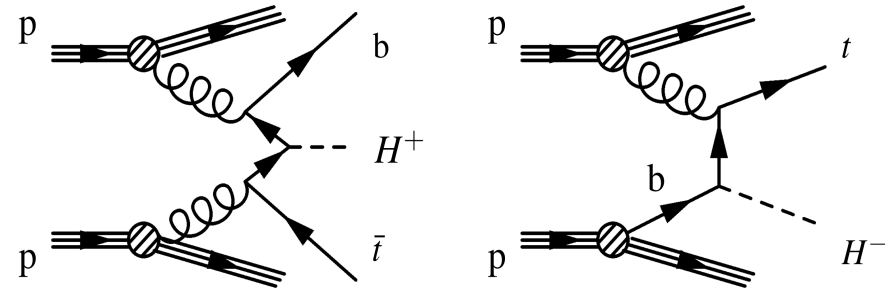
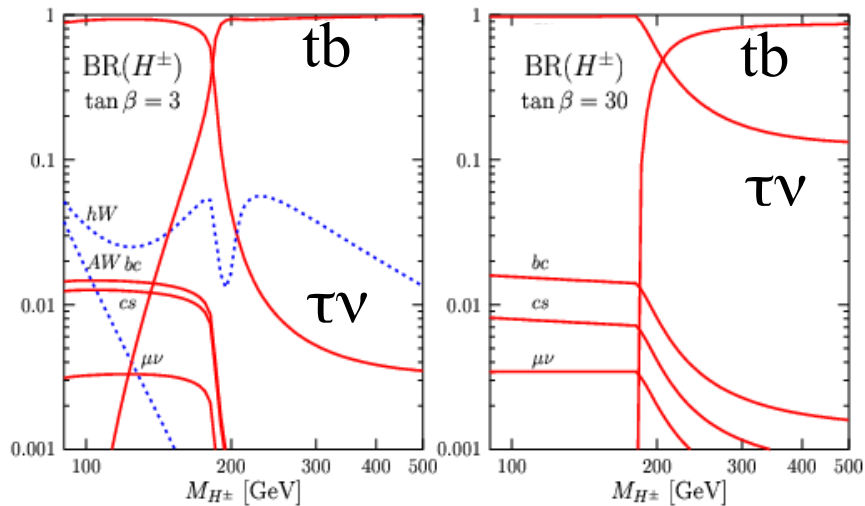


x - sensitivity at high  $\tan\beta$

x - sensitivity at low  $\tan\beta$

# Heavy charged Higgs bosons of MSSM

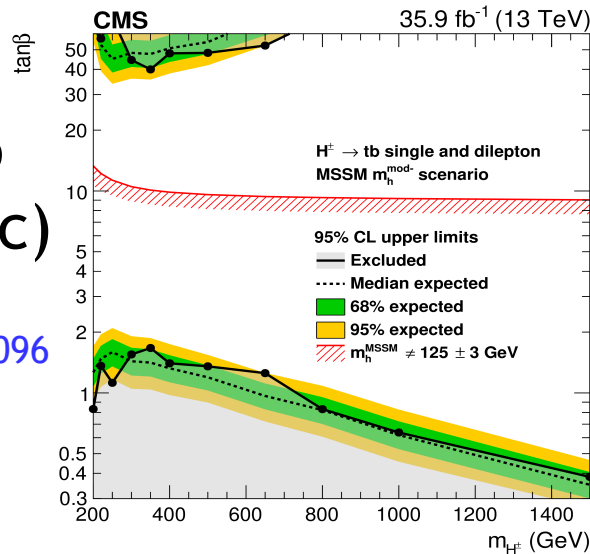
$$g_{H^\pm tb} \sim m_t \cot \beta - m_b \tan \beta, \quad g_{H^\pm \tau \nu} \sim m_\tau \tan \beta$$



dominant production modes at high  $m_{H^\pm}$

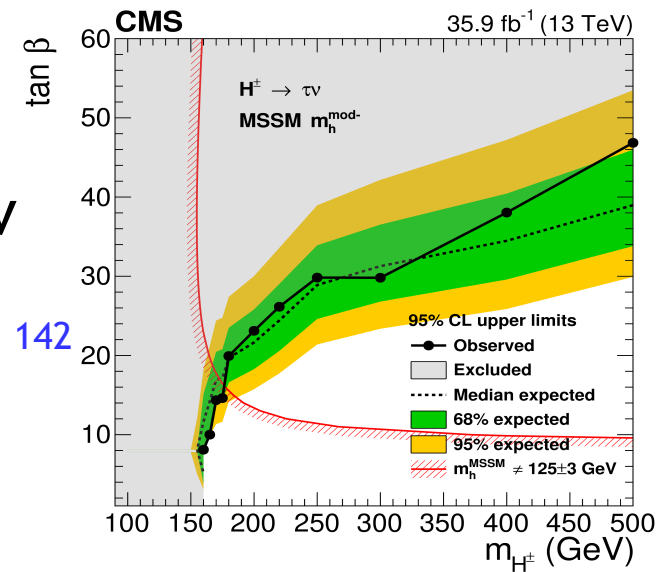
$H^\pm \rightarrow tb$   
(leptonic)

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$H^\pm \rightarrow \tau \nu$

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# Search for $H \rightarrow hh_s \rightarrow (\tau\tau)(bb)$

- Next-to-MSSM contains 2 Higgs doublets + 1 singlet (2HD+1S)  
singlet interacts only with itself and Higgs doublets (doesn't couple to SM sector)
- 7 physical states:  $h_{1,2,3}$  ( $m_{h3} > m_{h2} > m_{h1}$ ),  $a_{1,2}$  ( $m_{a2} > m_{a1}$ ),  $h^\pm$

- Peculiar scenario

$h_1$  or  $h_2$  is identified with  $h_{125}$  (denoted  $h$ )

$h_2$  or  $h_1$  has large singlet admixture ( $h_s$ )

$\rightarrow h_s$  has reduced couplings to SM particles

suppressed rates of conventional  
production modes ( $gg \rightarrow h_s$ ,  $bbh_s$  etc)

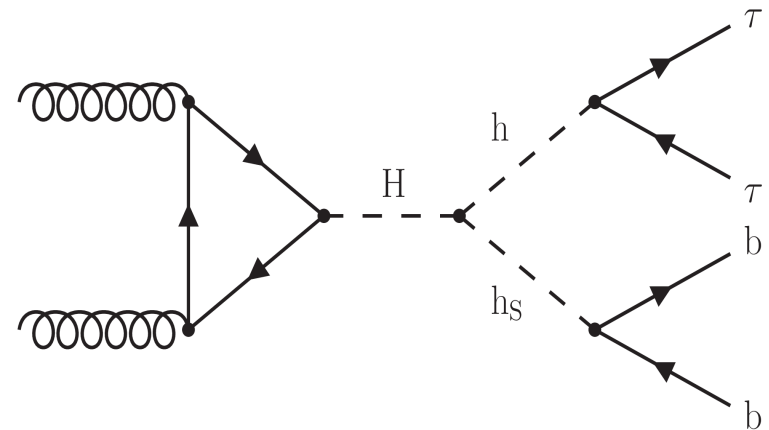
but still decays into SM particles  
(e.g  $h_s \rightarrow bb$ )

$h_3$  contains large doublet admixture  $\rightarrow$  has properties of MSSM H boson

in this scenario  $h_s$  is accessible via  $H \rightarrow hh_s$  decay

search targets  $gg \rightarrow H$  production and exploits  $hh_s \rightarrow (\tau\tau)(bb)$  decays

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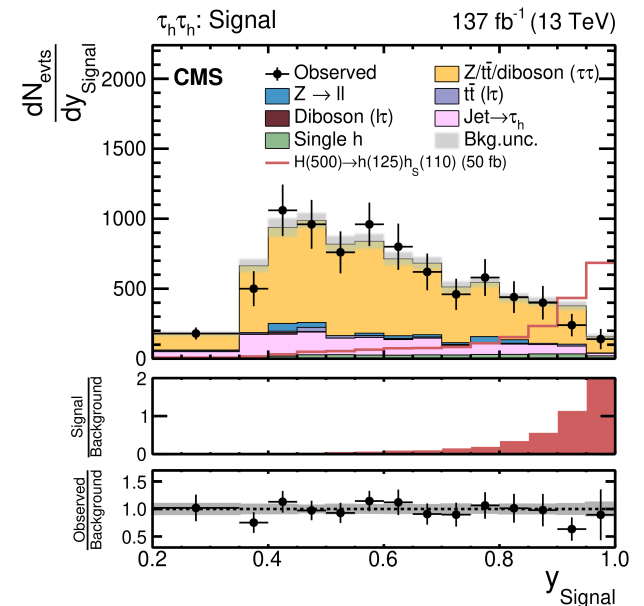
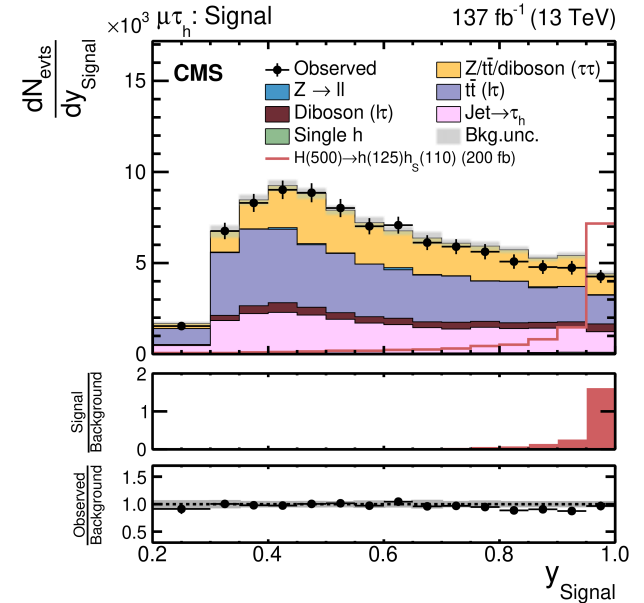
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## • Search strategy

- categorization of  $\tau$  decays:  $\tau_\mu\tau_h$ ,  $\tau_e\tau_h$ ,  $\tau_h\tau_h$
- identification of b-jets and  $\tau_h$  with Deep Neural Network (DNN)
- dedicated DNN classifies events into signal and control regions
- DNN score distributions are used to extract signal

## • Background estimation

- genuine  $\tau$  pairs: embedding simulated  $\tau$  decays in  $\mu^+\mu^-$  events (selected in data)
- $j \rightarrow \tau_h$  : applying misld probability to events in sideband region
- prompt  $e/\mu$  : MC simulation



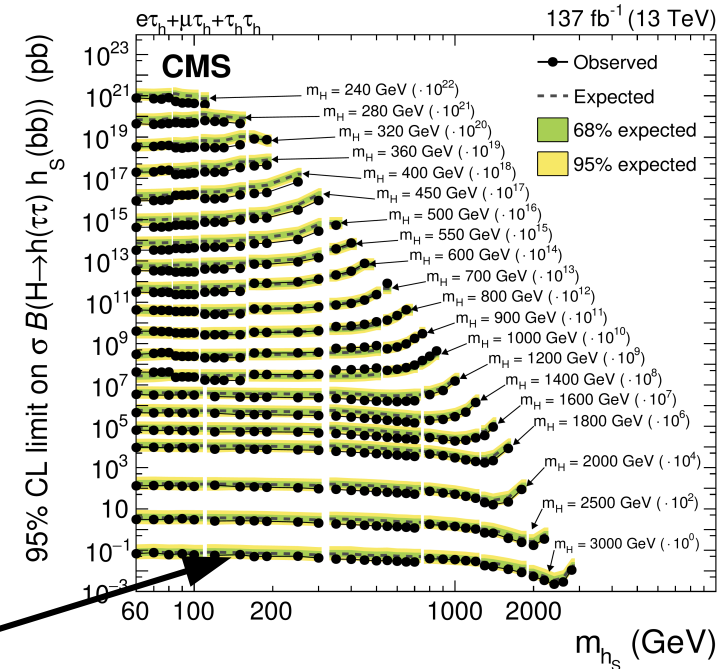
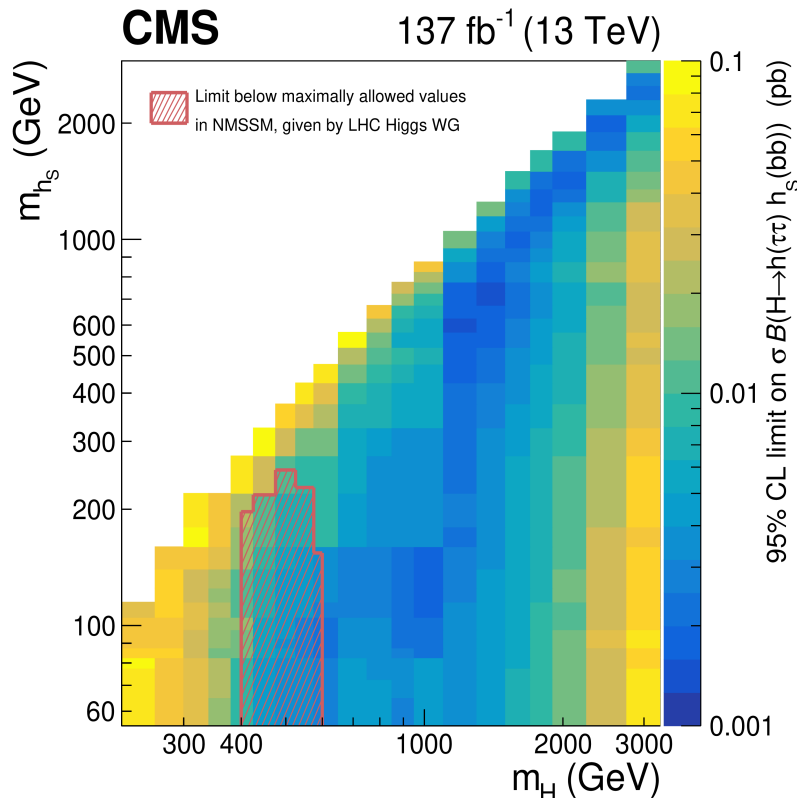
# Search for $H \rightarrow hh_s \rightarrow (\tau\tau)(bb)$

- no signal found

→ upper 95% CL limits on  $\sigma \times \text{BR}$

$$240 \text{ GeV} < m_H < 3000 \text{ GeV}, 60 \text{ GeV} < m_{hs} < 2800 \text{ GeV}$$

limits range from 125 fb ( $m_H = 240 \text{ GeV}, m_{hs} = 85 \text{ GeV}$ )  
to 2.7 fb ( $m_H = 1000 \text{ GeV}, m_{hs} = 350 \text{ GeV}$ )



- Interpretation within NMSSM

→ exclusion of  $(m_{hs}, m_H)$  region based on maximally allowed  $\sigma \times \text{BR}$

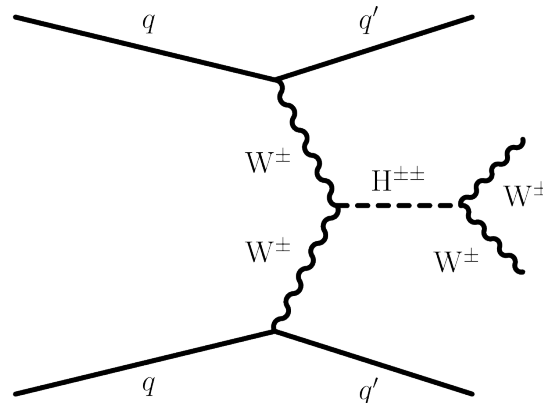
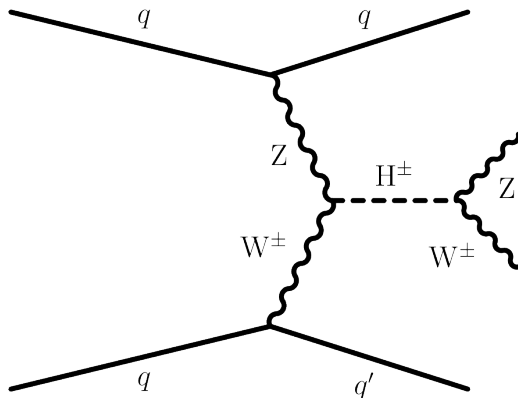
$$m_H \simeq 400 - 600 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{hs} \simeq 60 - 200 \text{ GeV}$$

# $H^\pm \rightarrow W^\pm Z$ and $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow W^\pm W^\pm$ decays

- Georgi-Machacek model : SM doublet + 2 triplets (real and complex)
  - preserves custodial SU(2) symmetry
  - physical spectrum contains quintet of fermiophobic states  
 $(H_5^{--}, H_5^-, H_5^0, H_5^+, H_5^{++})$  degenerate in mass ( $m_{H_5}$ )
  - accessible via VBF/VH production and decays to weak bosons
 
$$g_{H_5 VV} \sim s_H = 2\sqrt{2} \frac{v_\chi}{v}, \quad v^2 = v_\phi^2 + 8v_\chi^2, \quad v = 246 \text{ GeV}$$

$$v_\phi - \text{v.e.v. of doublet}, \quad v_\chi - \text{v.e.v. of triplets}$$
- presented analysis searches for singly and doubly charged Higgs bosons



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# $H^\pm \rightarrow W^\pm Z$ and $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow W^\pm W^\pm$ decays

- Signature : 2 same-sign ( $\ell^\pm \ell^\pm$ ) or 3 ( $\ell^\pm \ell^\pm \ell^\mp$ ) leptons + 2 VBF jets

- 2 signal regions (SR)

I.  $WW$  :  $\ell^\pm \ell^\pm$  + 3<sup>rd</sup> lepton veto

II.  $WZ$  :  $\ell^\pm \ell^\pm \ell^\mp$

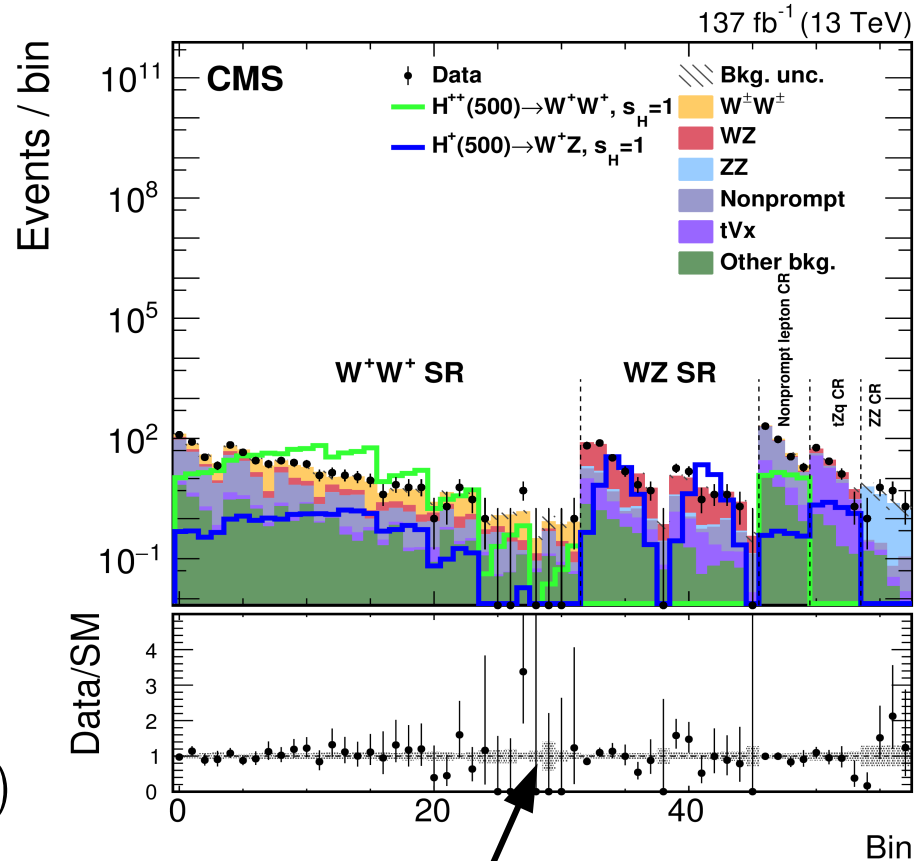
- control regions (CR) to constrain backgrounds:

$j \rightarrow \ell$  fakes,  $ZZ$ ,  $qZt$

- signal extracted from combined fit in SRs and CRs

SRs : 2D distributions:  $(m_T^{VV}, m_{jj})$

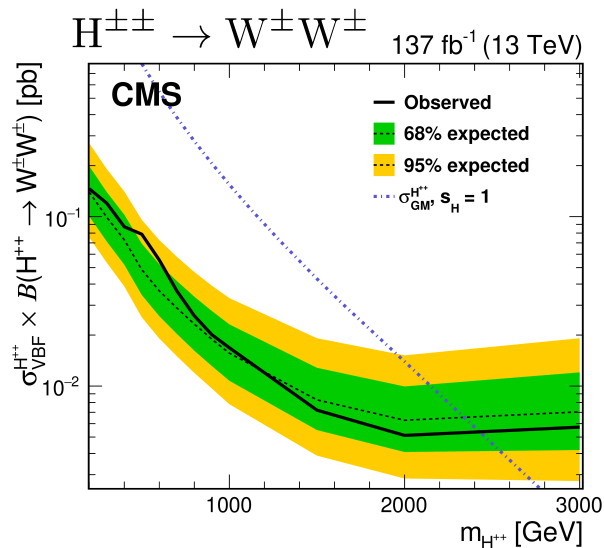
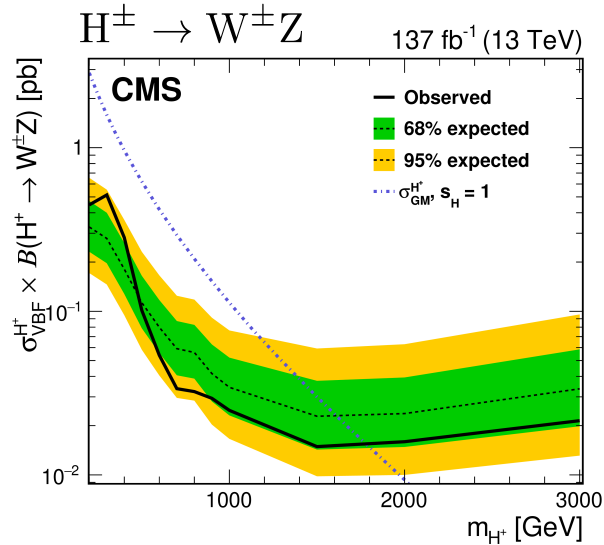
CRs : 1D distributions:  $m_{jj}$



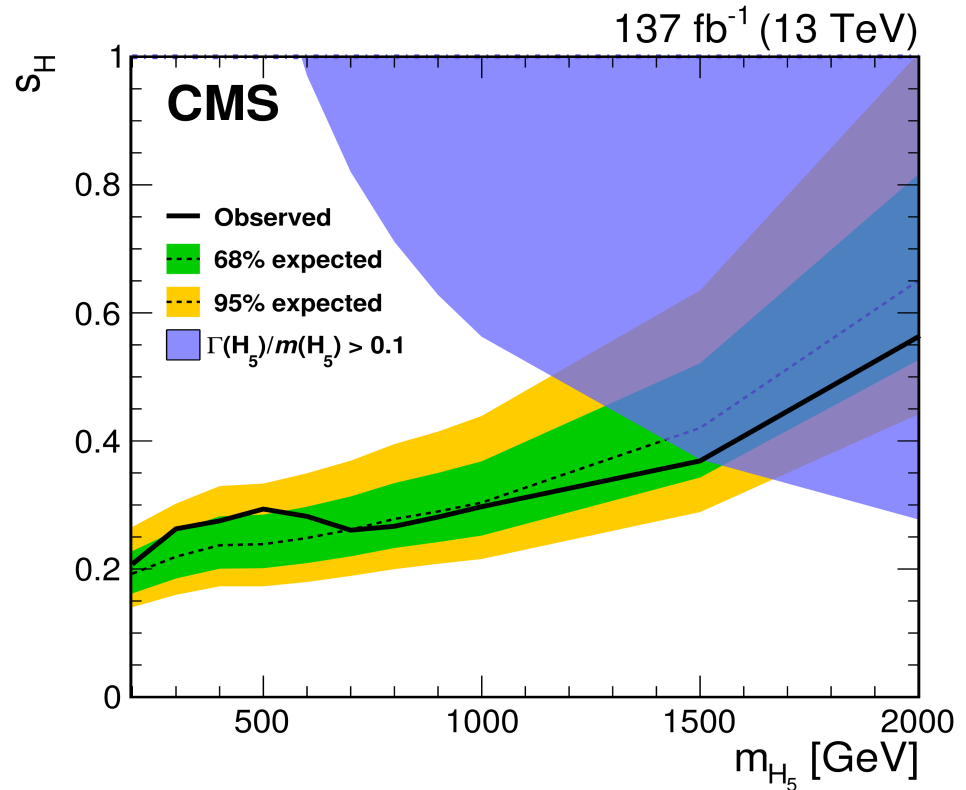
Set of analysis bins used in fit (unrolled 2D distributions in SRs + 1D distributions in CRs)

# $H^\pm \rightarrow W^\pm Z$ and $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow W^\pm W^\pm$ decays

- no signal found  $\rightarrow$  upper 95% CL limits on  $\sigma \times \text{BR}$



assumption:  $\Gamma_{H^\pm(\pm)} \leq 0.1 \cdot m_{H^\pm(\pm)}$



- Interpretation within Georgi-Machacek model  
 $\rightarrow$  limits on  $s_H$  as a function of  $m_{H_5}$

# Summary

- Theories with extended Higgs sector are proposed to overcome shortcomings of the SM
  - predict deviations of the H(125) properties from the SM expectations
  - postulate existence of additional Higgs bosons
- Searches for additional Higgs bosons of 2HDM (MSSM) and beyond are performed at CMS with partial or full LHC Run 2 dataset
  - large variety of channels studied
  - broad mass range probed
- Advanced analysis techniques are developed to boost sensitivity of searches beyond increase in luminosity
  - e.g. deep learning to identify physics objects (b-jets,  $\tau$ , ...) and discriminate signal against background
- No signal found (so far)  $\rightarrow$  large set of models excluded
- Many new results with full Run 2 and eventually Run 3 datasets are expected.