

# New constraints on extended Higgs sectors from the trilinear Higgs coupling

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# The Higgs boson – what we know so far.

- A scalar behaving similar as the SM Higgs boson was discovered at the LHC.
- What we know about this scalar:
  - Its mass, vev, spin.
  - It's not a  $\mathcal{CP}$ -odd state.
  - Its couplings to gauge bosons ( $WW, ZZ, gg, \gamma\gamma$ ):  $\mathcal{O}(10)$  %
  - Its coupling to third generation fermions:  $\mathcal{O}(20)$  %
  - Its coupling to muons:  $\mathcal{O}(50)$  %
- What we don't know about this scalar:
  - Its exact  $\mathcal{CP}$  nature.
  - Its couplings to first- and second-generation fermions.
  - Its width (are there any decays to non-SM particles?).
  - The shape of its potential (especially interesting for cosmology).

→ Focus of this talk: **Higgs potential**

# The Higgs potential

In the SM, the Higgs potential is completely determined by the Higgs mass and its vev:

$$V_h^{\text{SM}} = \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 h^2 + \frac{m_h^2}{2v} h^3 + \frac{m_h^2}{8v^2} h^4 + \dots$$

Relation between the different terms can easily be modified by BSM physics  
→ add modifier  $\kappa_\lambda$  (and  $\kappa_{\lambda_4}$ ):

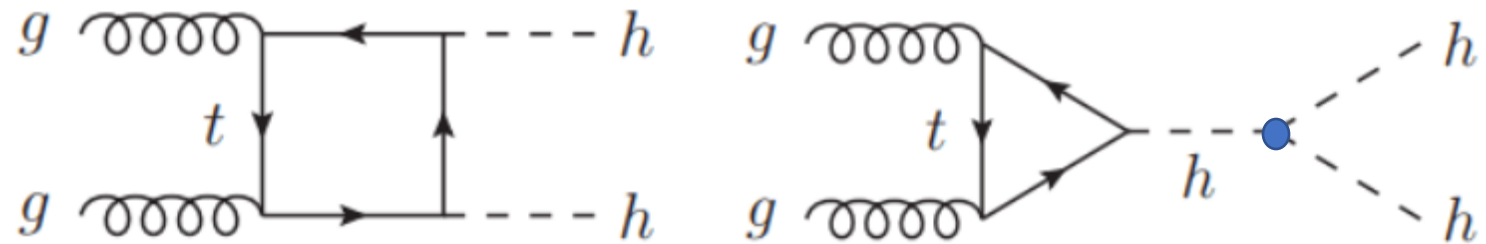
$$V_h = \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 h^2 + \kappa_\lambda \frac{m_h^2}{2v} h^3 + \kappa_{\lambda_4} \frac{m_h^2}{8v^2} h^4 + \dots$$

known  
↓  
unknown

How can we constraint  $\kappa_\lambda$  experimentally?

# Double-Higgs production

Most direct probe of trilinear Higgs coupling: double-Higgs production via gluon fusion.



In the SM: large destructive interference between box and triangle contribution.

⇒ Deviations from SM trilinear Higgs coupling can significantly enhance the  $hh$  cross section.



Interpret experimental upper limits on  $hh$  cross section as limits on  $\kappa_\lambda$ .

# Experimental bound on $\kappa_\lambda$

Current strongest limit:  $-1.0 < \kappa_\lambda < 6.6$  at 95% CL [ATLAS-CONF-2021-052].

Assumptions:

- All other Higgs couplings are SM-like.
- Non-resonant Higgs-boson pair production only deviates from the SM via a modified trilinear Higgs coupling.



Can we use this limit to constrain BSM models?

# $\kappa_\lambda$ in the 2-Higgs-doublet-model (2HDM)

- Focus first on **2HDM type I** in the alignment limit (similar results expected for other types/models).

$$V_{2\text{HDM}}(\Phi_1, \Phi_2) = m_{11}^2 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1 + m_{22}^2 \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2 - m_{12}^2 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 + \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_1 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_2 (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + \lambda_3 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2) + \lambda_4 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1) + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_5 \left( (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1)^2 \right).$$

- 2 Higgs doublets  $\rightarrow$  5 physical Higgs bosons: CP-even  $h, H$ ; CP-odd  $A$ ; charged  $H^\pm$ .
- Most relevant/largest couplings:

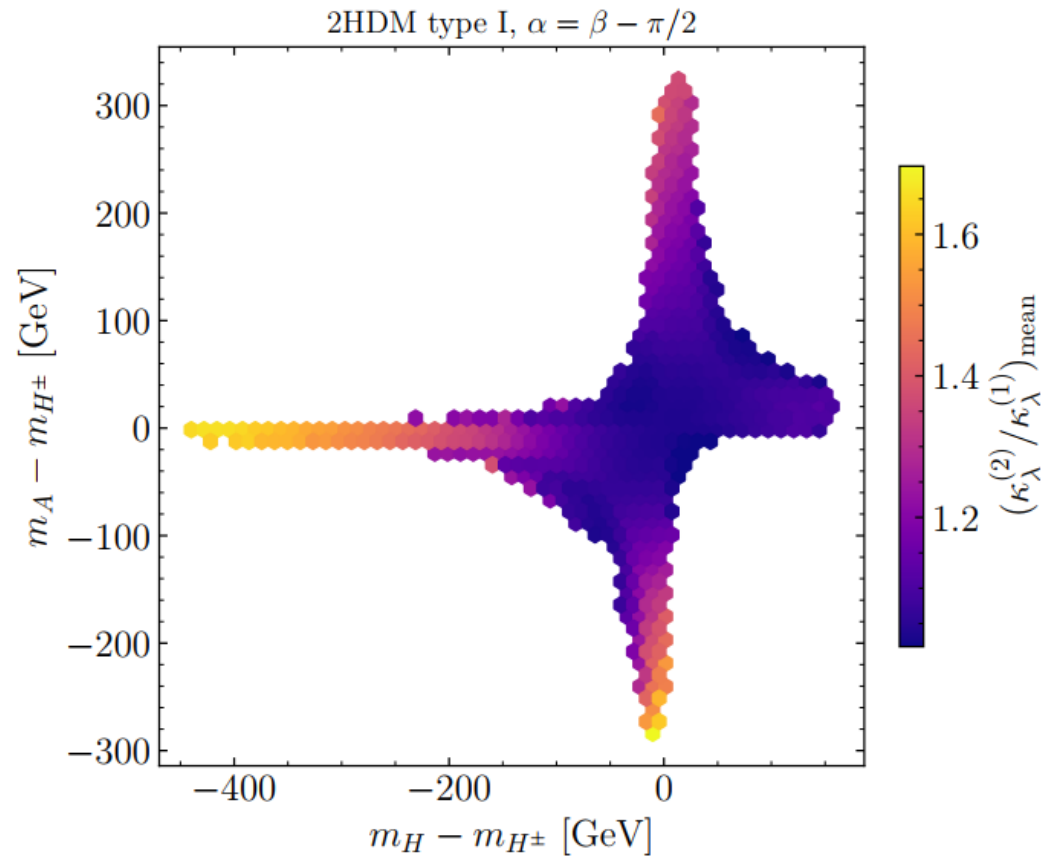
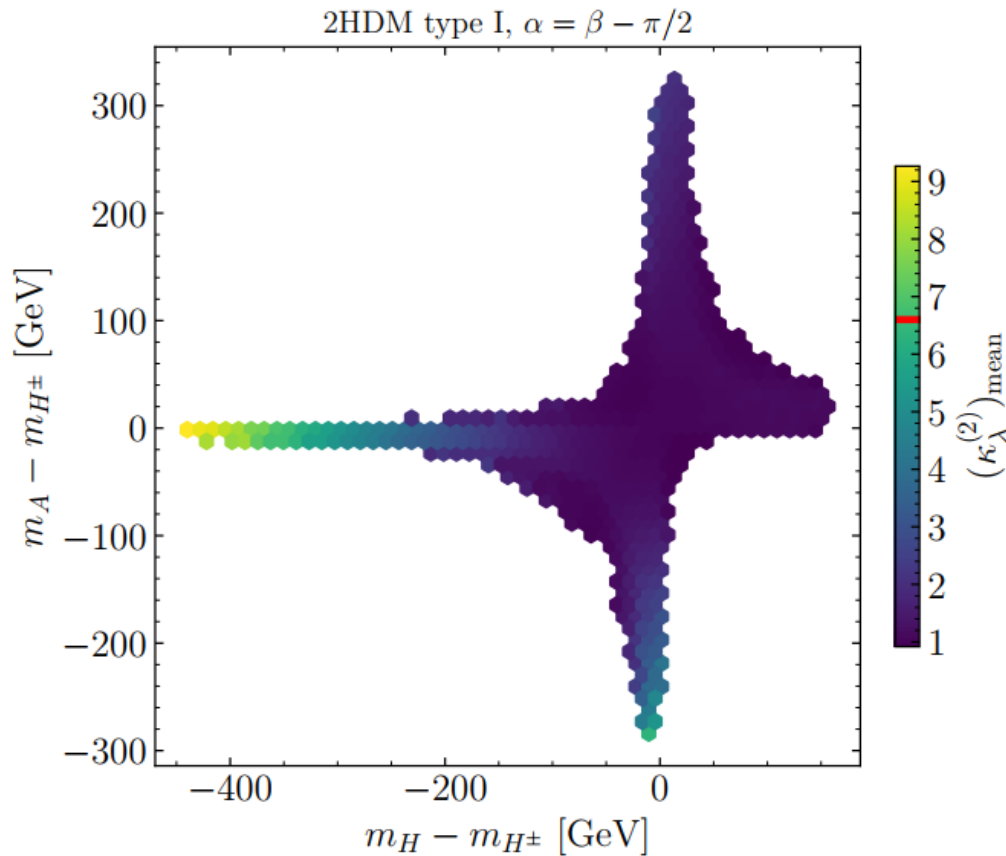
$$g_{hh\Phi\Phi} = -\frac{2(M^2 - m_\Phi^2)}{v^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \Phi \in \{H, A, H^\pm\} \quad \text{and} \quad M^2 = \frac{m_{12}^2}{s_\beta c_\beta}$$

- Strategy:
  1. Scan parameter space applying various theoretical and experimental constraints.
  2. Identify regions with large deviations of  $\kappa_\lambda$ , which is calculated at the 2L level.
  3. Define a benchmark scenario and apply constraints on  $\kappa_\lambda$ .

# 2HDM parameter scan

- We checked for:
  - Vacuum stability and boundedness-from-below.
  - NLO perturbative unitarity.
  - Electroweak precision observables (calculated at the 2L level using THDM\_EWPOS [Hessenberger,Hollik,1607.04610]).
  - SM-like Higgs measurements via HiggsSignals.
  - Direct searches for BSM scalars via HiggsBounds.
  - b-physics constraints.
- Most constraints checked using ScannerS.
- For each point passing the constraints, we calculate  $\kappa_\lambda$  at the 1L and 2L level ( $\kappa_\lambda^{(1)}$  and  $\kappa_\lambda^{(2)}$ ) using results from [Braathen,Kanemura,1911.11507].

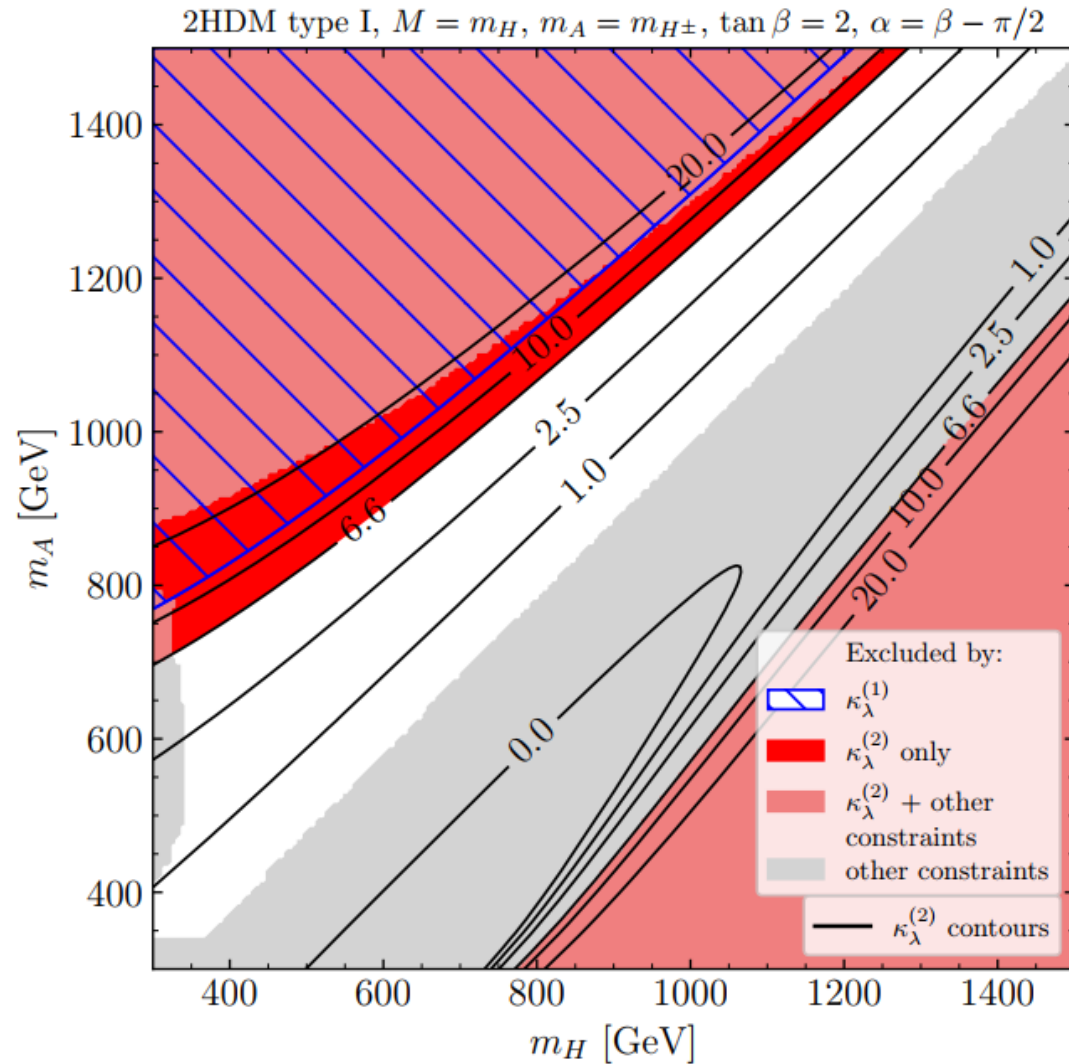
# 2HDM parameter scan - results



Largest corrections for  $m_A \simeq m_{H^\pm}$ ,  $m_H < m_{H^\pm}$  and  $m_H \simeq m_{H^\pm}$ ,  $m_A < m_{H^\pm}$ . 2L corrections have sizeable impact.



# Constraints on $\kappa_\lambda$ - benchmark scenario



Experimental bound on  $\kappa_\lambda$  excludes so far unconstrained parameter space!

# Conclusions

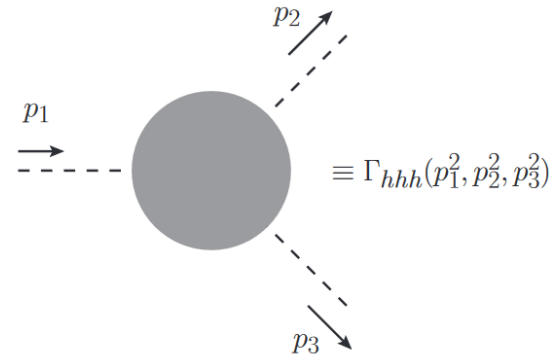
- Measurement of the **trilinear Higgs coupling** crucial to determine shape of Higgs potential.
- Large deviations from the SM possible in many BSM models.
- We showed that already current bounds exclude significant parts of so far unconstrained 2HDM parameter space.
- Including 2L corrections important for precise prediction.
- We expect similar results in other BSM Higgs models.
- More precise bounds expected in the future  $\Rightarrow$  more precise theory predictions will be needed.
- Potentially interesting implications for cosmology.

**Thanks for your attention!**

# Appendix

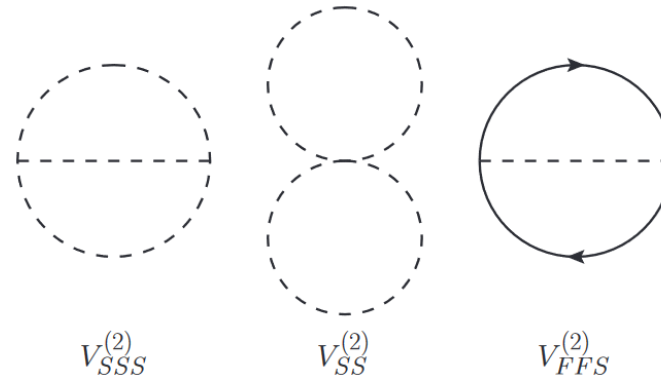
# Calculating BSM corrections to $\kappa_\lambda$

- Need to calculate Higgs three-point function:



- Alternatively, employ zero momentum approximation and then use effective potential:

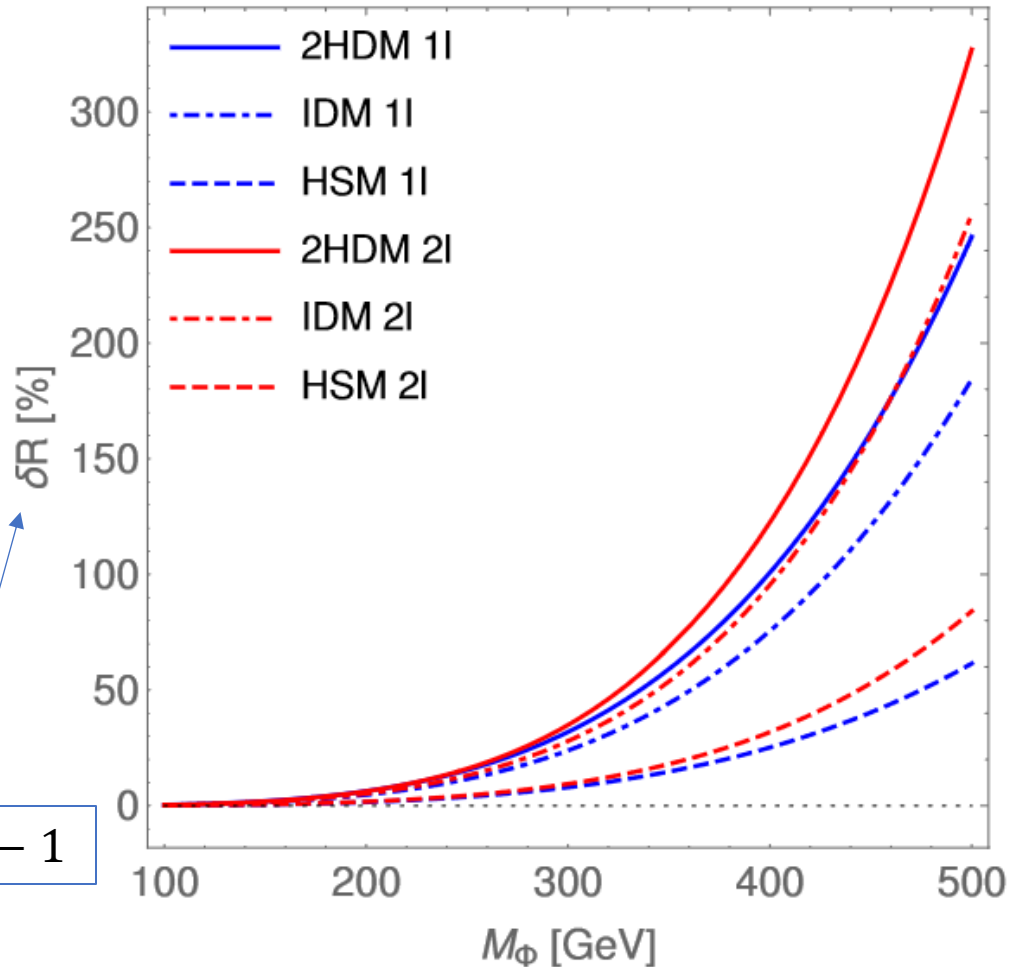
$$\lambda_{hhh} \equiv \left. \frac{\partial^3 V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial h^3} \right|_{\text{min}} \equiv \lambda_{hhh}^{(0)} + \kappa \delta^{(1)} \lambda_{hhh} + \kappa^2 \delta^{(2)} \lambda_{hhh}$$



- Using  $V_{\text{eff}}$ , 1L and 2L corrections have been calculated in various BSM Higgs models (see e.g. [Braathen, Kanemura, 1911.11507]).

# Calculating BSM corrections to $\kappa_\lambda$

[Braathen, Kanemura, 1911.11507]



- Large non-decoupling corrections found in several BSM models.
- Analysis assumed that all BSM masses are equal  $M_\Phi$ .
- No phenomenological analysis has been performed.



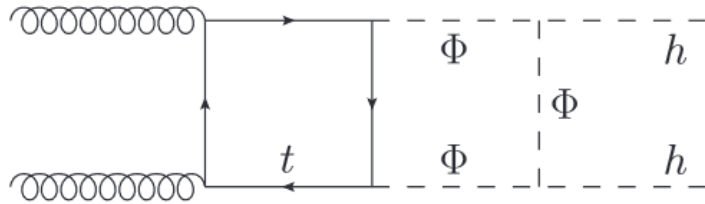
**Idea of this work:**

Can we constrain these models based on the large corrections to  $\kappa_\lambda$ ?

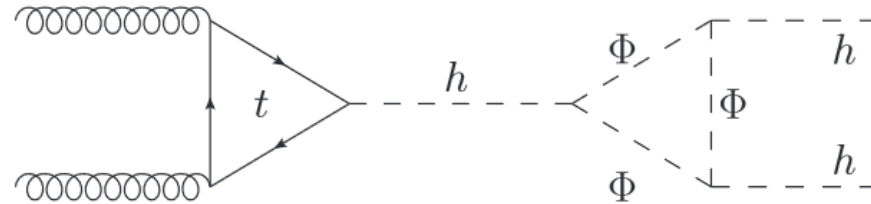
# Applying the constraints on $\kappa_\lambda$

Assumptions of experimental bound:

- All other Higgs couplings are SM-like.
  - 2HDM in the alignment limit with heavy BSM masses. ✓
- Higgs-boson pair production only deviates from the SM via a modified trilinear Higgs coupling.
  - No resonant contribution because  $Hhh$  coupling is zero in alignment limit. ✓
  - Other BSM contributions to  $hh$  production?



$$\propto y_t^2 g_{hh\Phi\Phi}^2 \text{ (not included)}$$



$$\propto y_t g_{hh\Phi\Phi}^3 \text{ (included)}$$

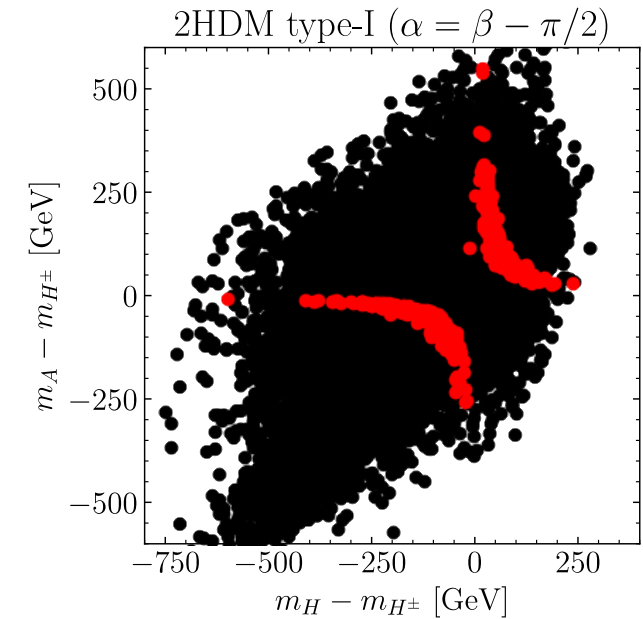
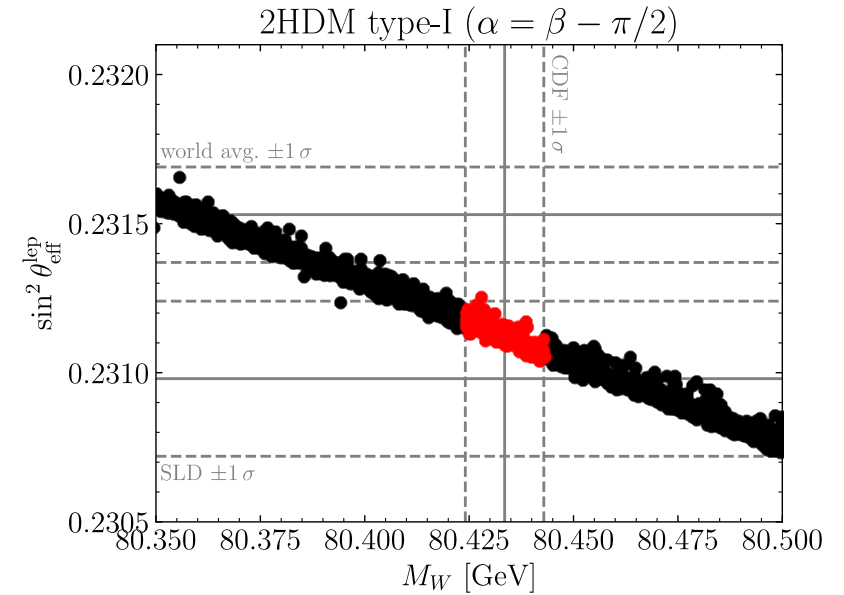
- We include the all corrections leading in the large coupling  $g_{hh\Phi\Phi}$  at the NLO and NNLO level. ✓

# $M_W$ in the 2HDM

$$\Delta\rho_{\text{non-SM}}^{(1)} = \frac{\alpha}{16\pi^2 s_W^2 M_W^2} \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \frac{m_A^2 m_H^2}{m_A^2 - m_H^2} \ln \frac{m_A^2}{m_H^2} \\ & - \frac{m_A^2 m_{H^\pm}^2}{m_A^2 - m_{H^\pm}^2} \ln \frac{m_A^2}{m_{H^\pm}^2} \\ & - \frac{m_H^2 m_{H^\pm}^2}{m_H^2 - m_{H^\pm}^2} \ln \frac{m_H^2}{m_{H^\pm}^2} + m_{H^\pm}^2 \end{aligned} \right\},$$

$$\Delta M_W \simeq \frac{1}{2} M_W \frac{c_W^2}{c_W^2 - s_W^2} \Delta\rho.$$

$$\Delta M_W \simeq 0 \text{ if } m_A = m_{H^\pm} \text{ or } m_H = m_{H^\pm}$$



# $M_W$ in the 2HDM – correlation with $\kappa_\lambda$ ?

