

Higgs exotic decays at high energy colliders

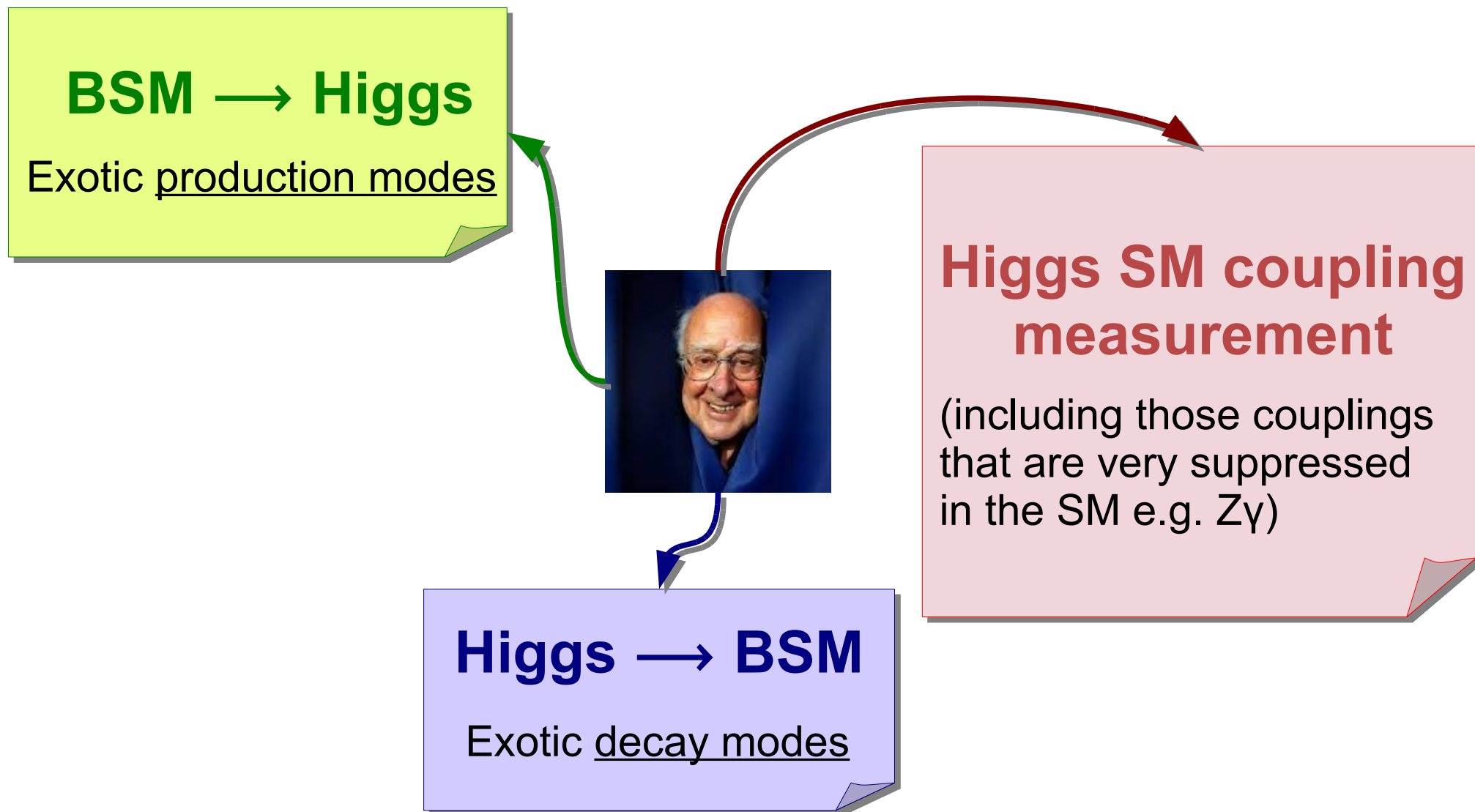
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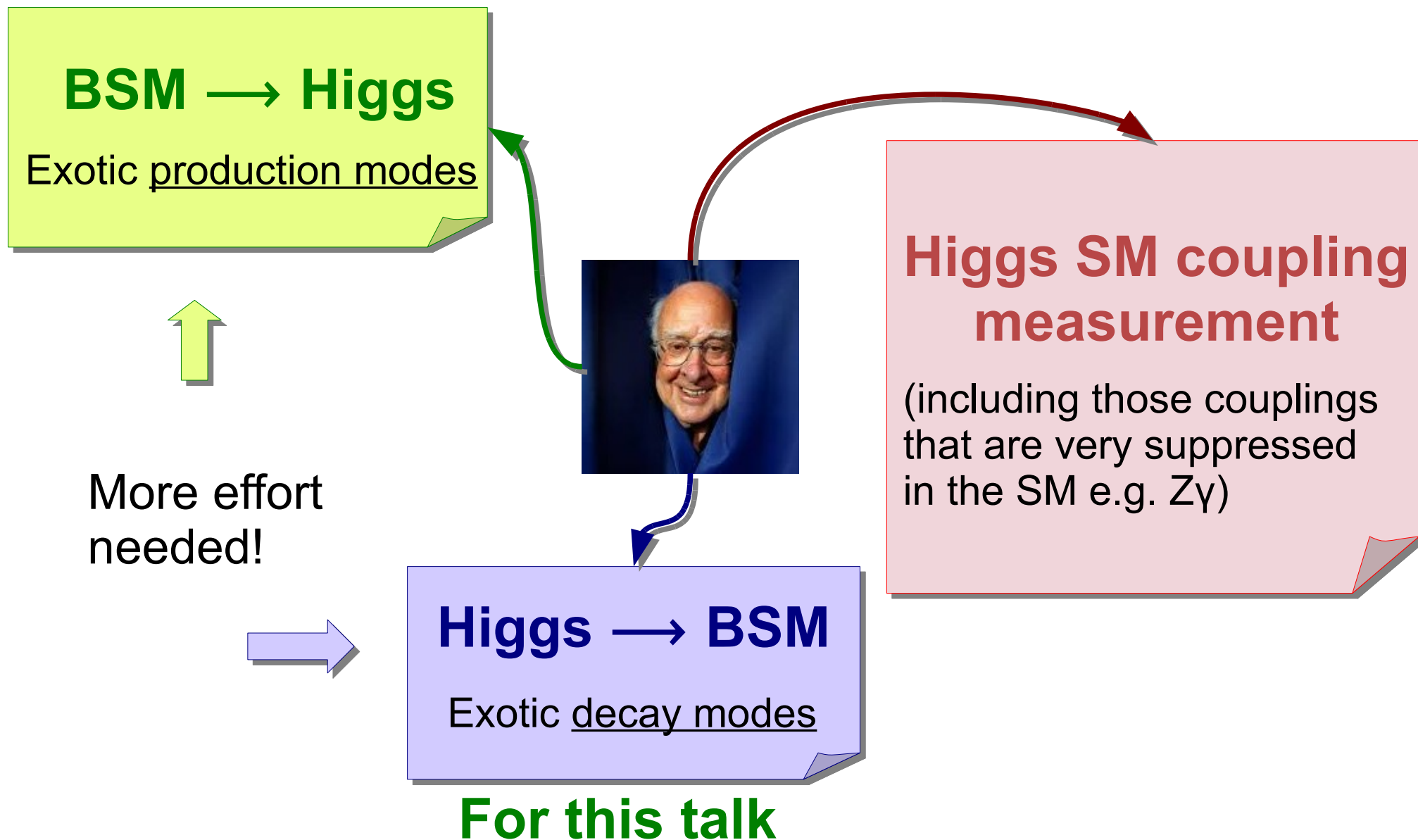
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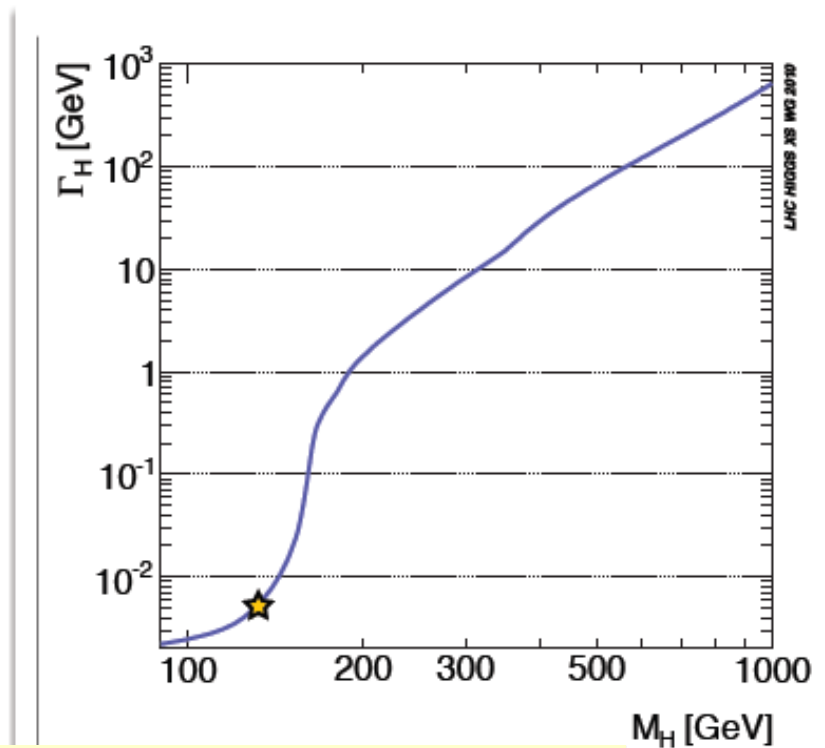


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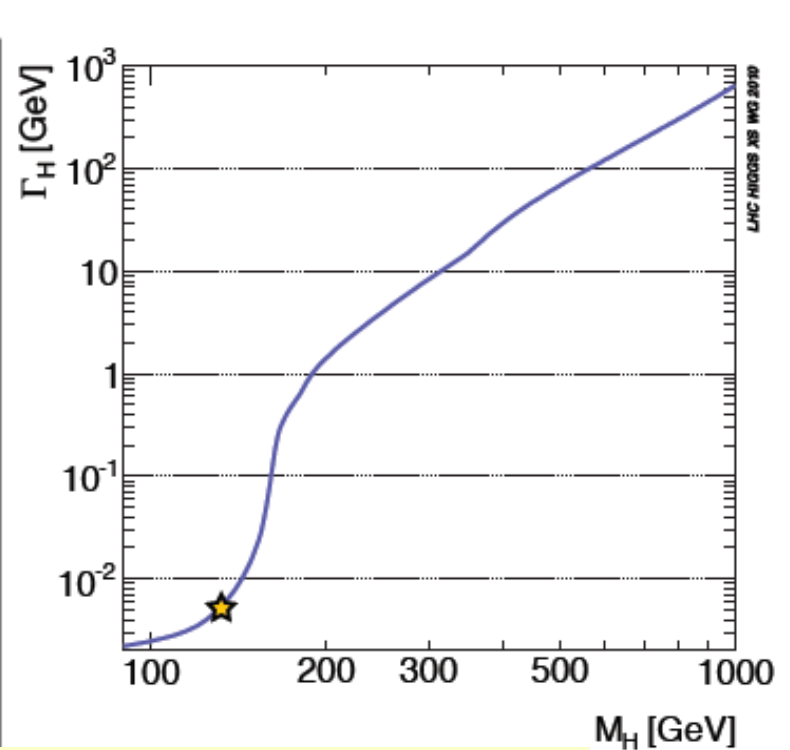
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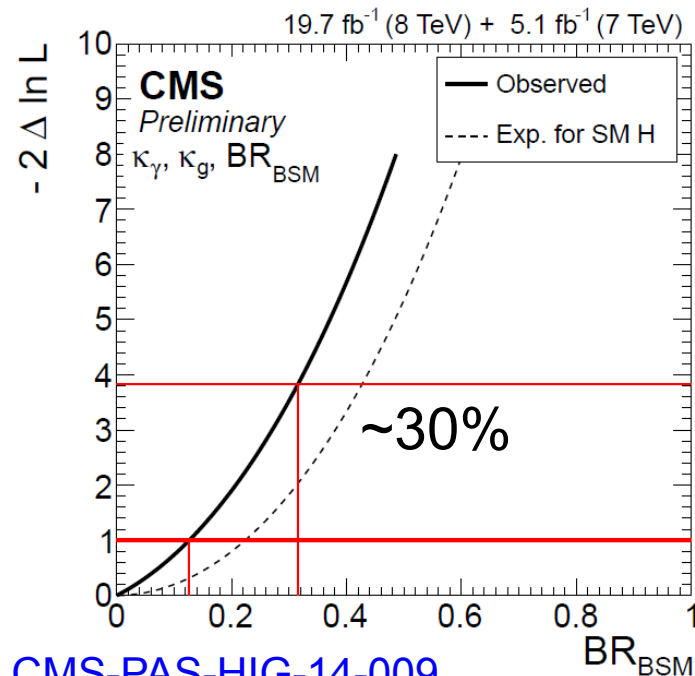
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CMS-PAS-HIG-14-009

Higgs width: from H off-shell measurements

$\Gamma_H < 4.2 \Gamma_{H,\text{SM}}$
 $< (4.8 - 7.7) \Gamma_{H,\text{SM}}$

CMS-PAS-HIG-14-002
 ATLAS-CONF-2014-042

Based on
 Caola, Melnikov,
 1307.4935
 Campbell, Ellis,
 Williams, 1311.3589

Why (future)

Future measurements of the total Higgs width

Prospects for LHC RunII

From global fits:

Expected bound on the BSM width:

(14-18)% with 300 fb^{-1} ;

(7-11)% with 3000 fb^{-1} ;

Prospects at linear e^+e^- colliders:

The BSM width can be bounded in a model-independent way thanks to the measurement of

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow Zh$$

ILC: Bound at the level of **5%**

From snowmass Higgs report 1310.8361

A lot of events!

Production	$N_{\text{ev}}^{10\%}, \text{Now}$
ggF	46.000
VBF	3.800
hW^{\pm}	1.700
hZ	1.000
$t\bar{t}h$	300

with the present (7+8)TeV LHC data set

Production	$N_{\text{ev}}^{10\%}, 14 \text{ TeV}$
ggF	1.3×10^7
VBF	1.1×10^6
hW^{\pm}	4.1×10^5
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$t\bar{t}h$	1.5×10^5

with 3000 fb^{-1} 14 TeV LHC data

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ggF	2.2×10^8
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hW^{\pm}	4.8×10^6
hZ	3.4×10^6
$t\bar{t}h$	1.1×10^7

with 3000 fb^{-1} data

100 TeV pp collider
as a high-intensity
Higgs machine

A look at models

Higgs \rightarrow NP 

Light NP
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($m_{NP} < m_h$)

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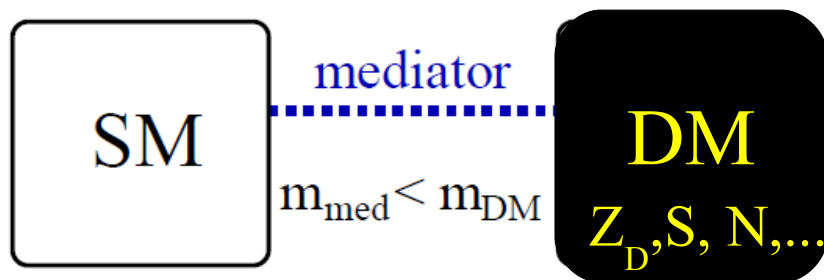
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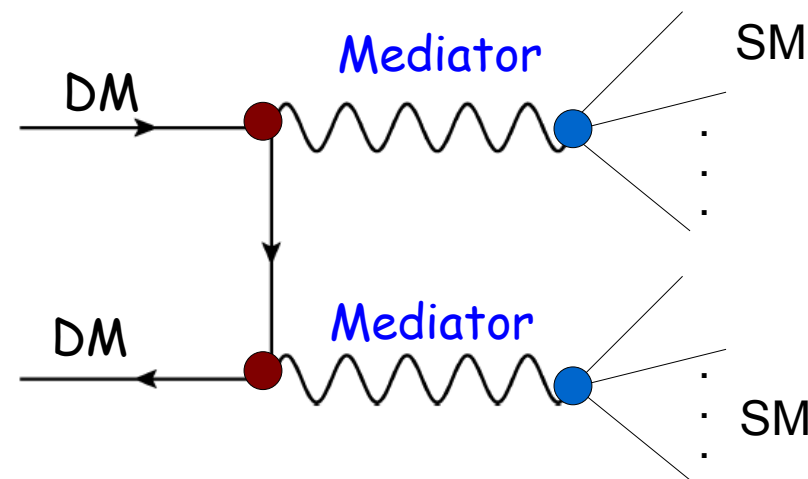
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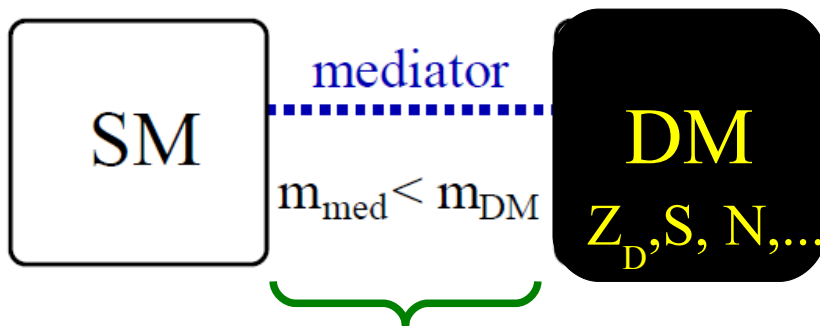
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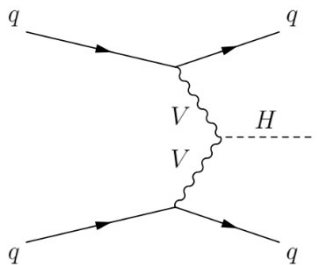
- ◆ Models stabilizing the electroweak scale: **Twin Higgs models**
- ◆ Models with extended Higgs sectors: **NMSSM**

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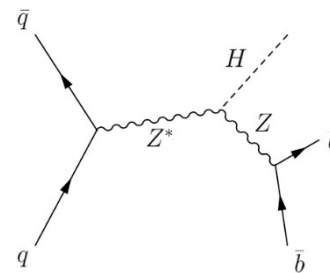
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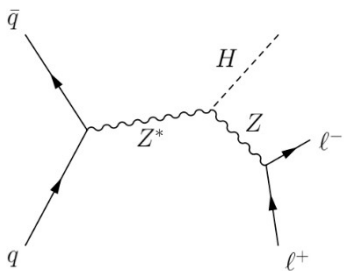
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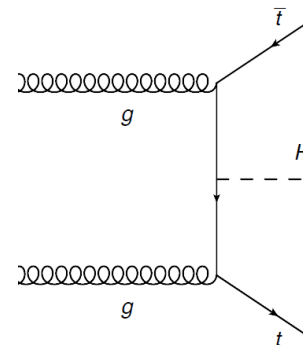
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CMS, 1404.1344



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CMS, 1404.1344



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ATLAS, 1402.3244



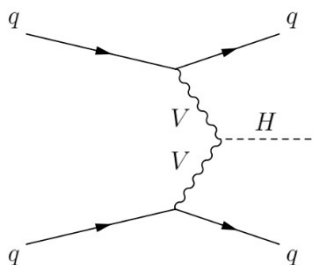
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Zhou, et al. tth, 1408.0011

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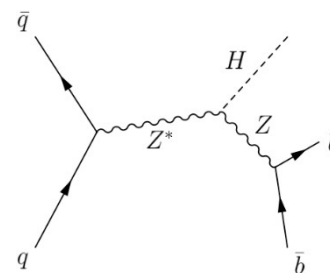
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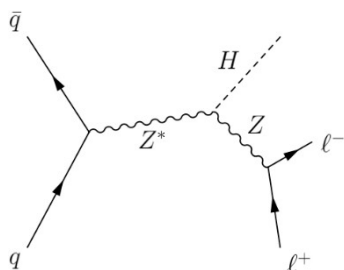
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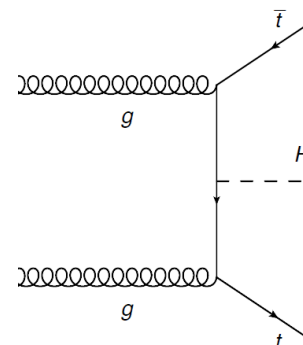
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Great prospects for the future:

LHC300: ~20%
 LHC3000: ~10% } Snowmass Higgs report
 1310.8361

ILC250, 250fb⁻¹: ~ 0.69% Ishikawa @ ILC Tokusui Workshop 2014

CepC 5ab⁻¹: ~0.28% preliminary, Qian et al.

Lessons from LHC8 recasts

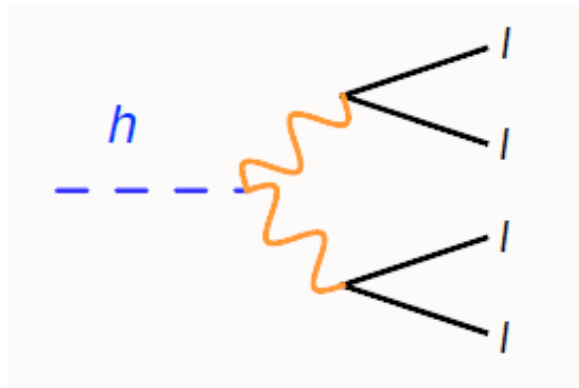
What else can we measure to test hidden singlets?

Higgs exotic decay review, 1312.4992

Curtin, Essig, SG, Jaiswal, Katz, Liu, Liu, McKeen, Shelton, Strassler, Surujon, Tweedie, Zhong

Prospects depend in detail on the particles in the final state, and range from **spectacular** to **very hard**

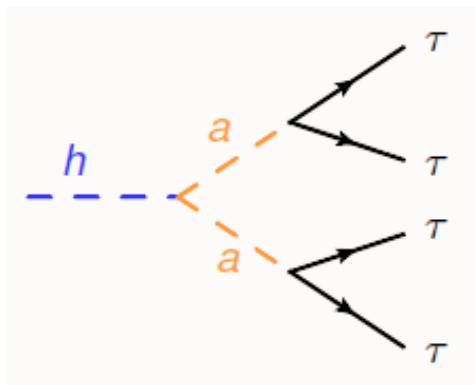
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multiple resonant leptons

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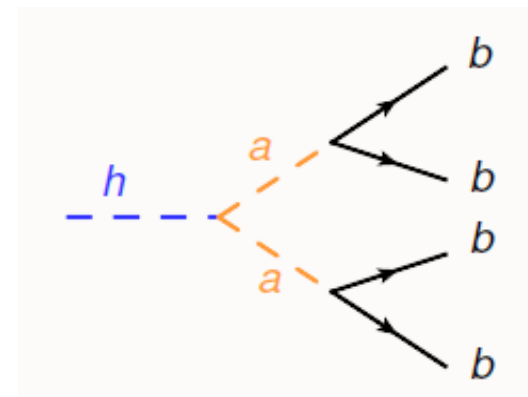
Moderate



multiple EW object
but
poor mass resolution

$$\text{BR} \lesssim 0.2 - 0.4$$

Hard



all hadronic

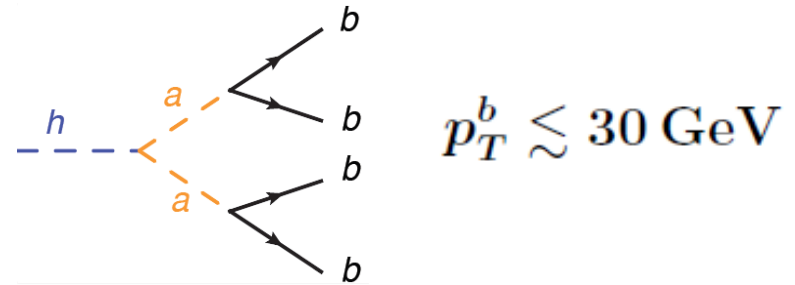
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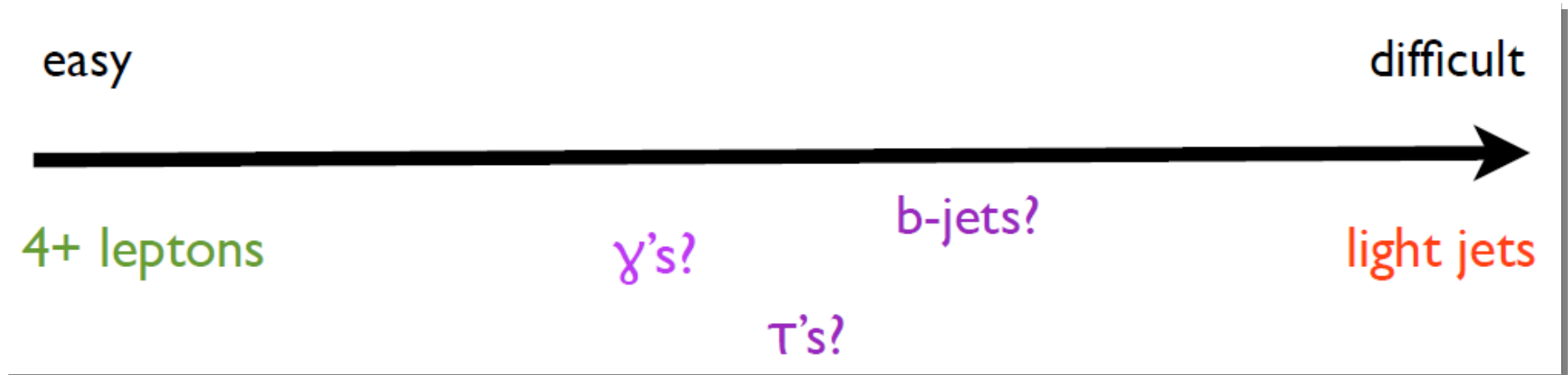
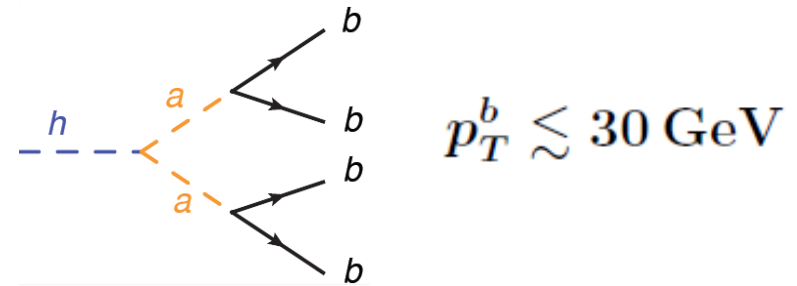


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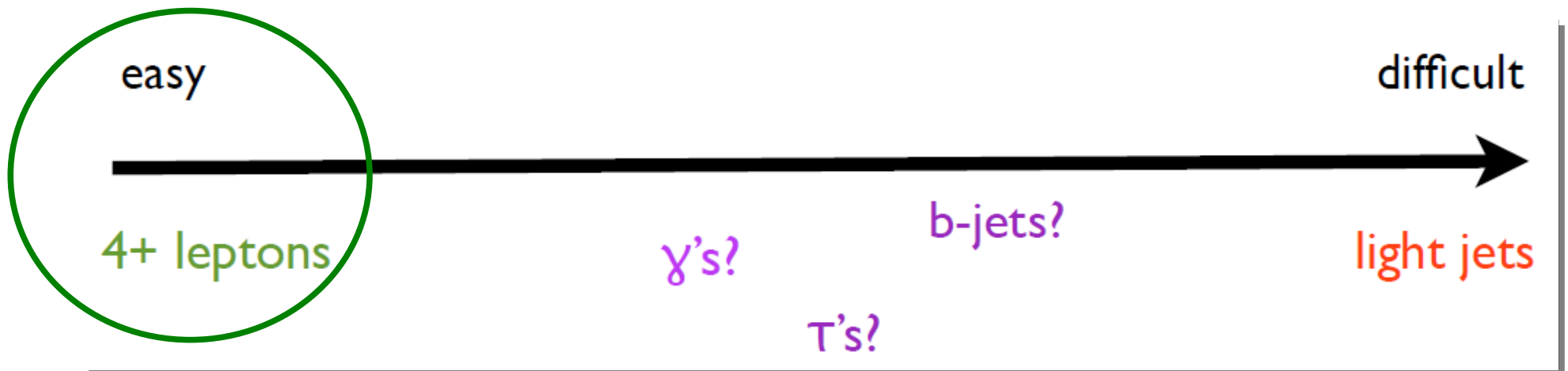
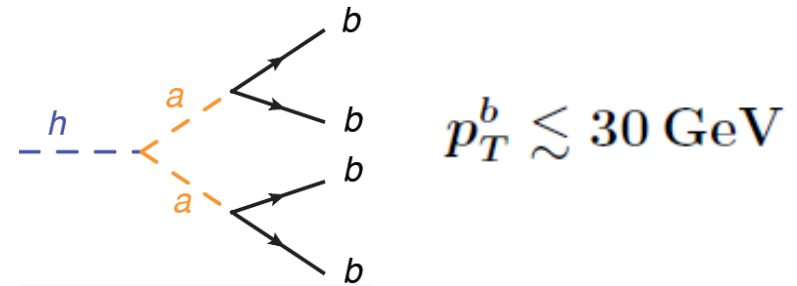


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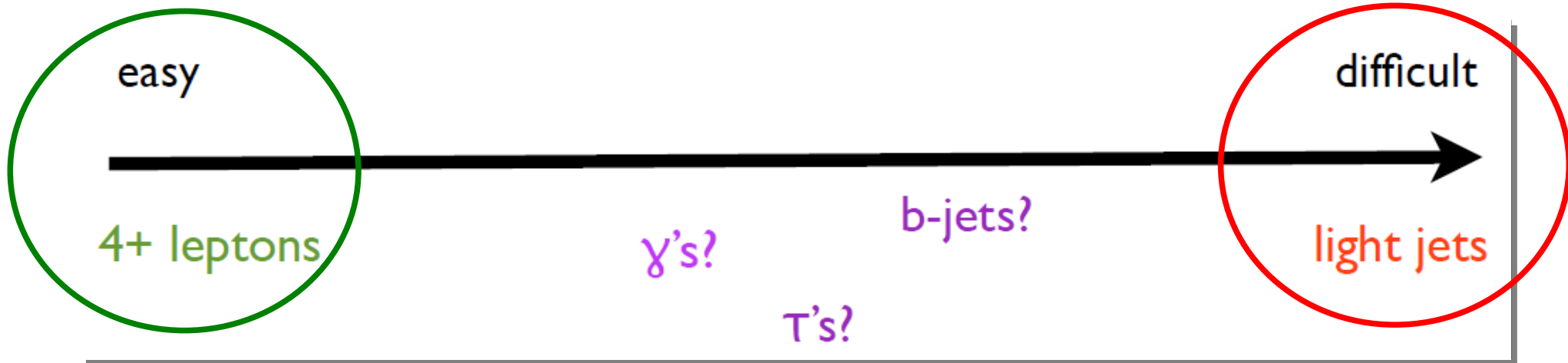
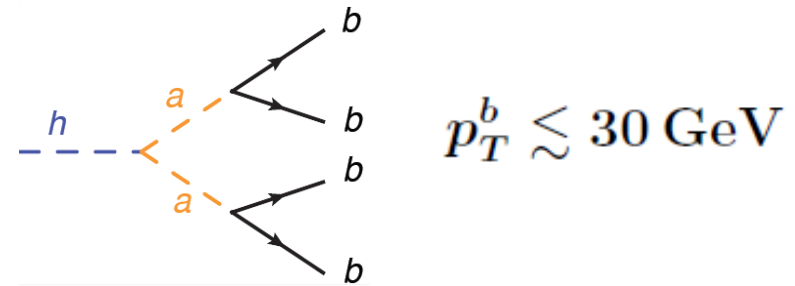
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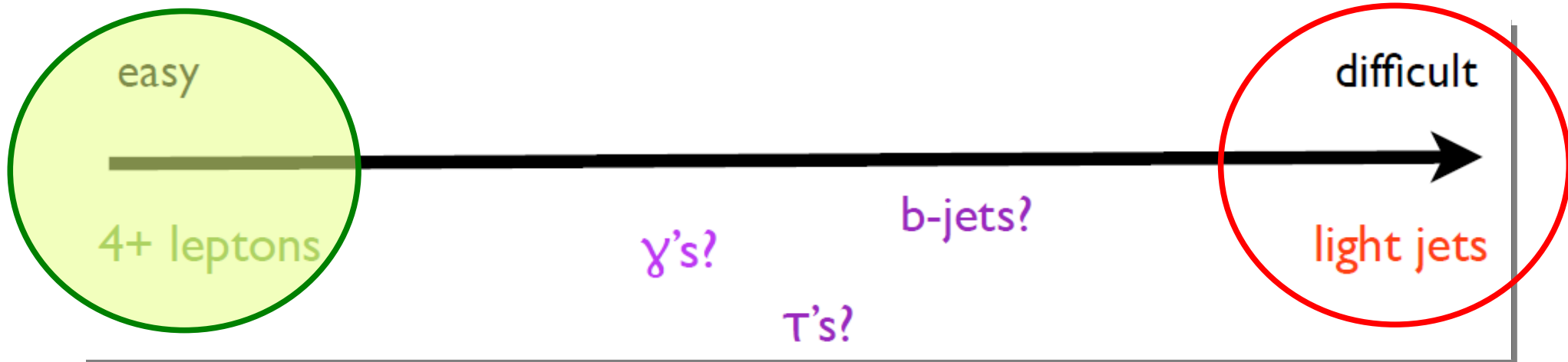
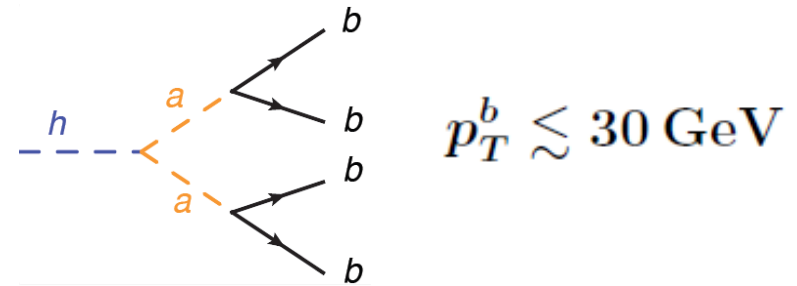
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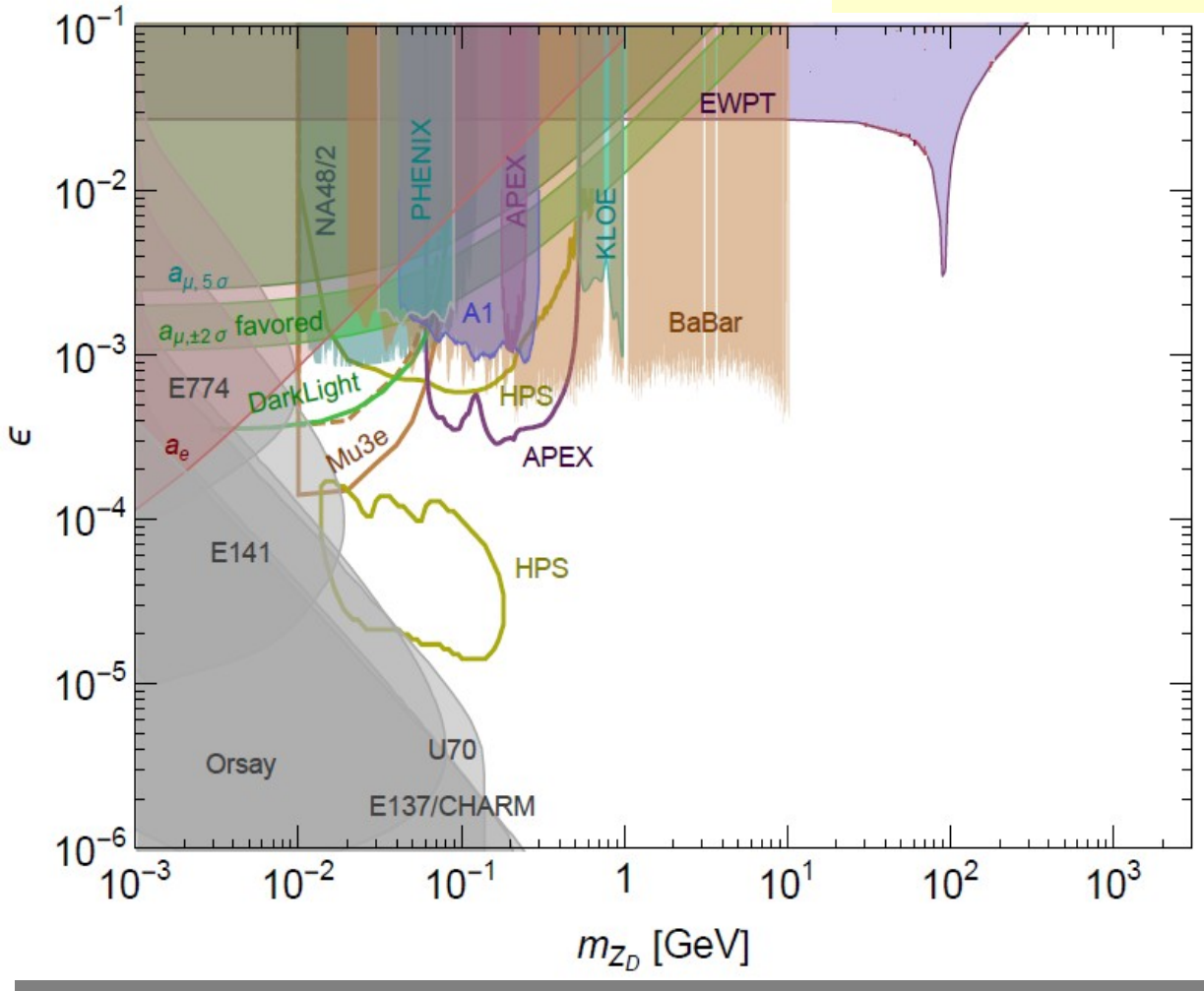
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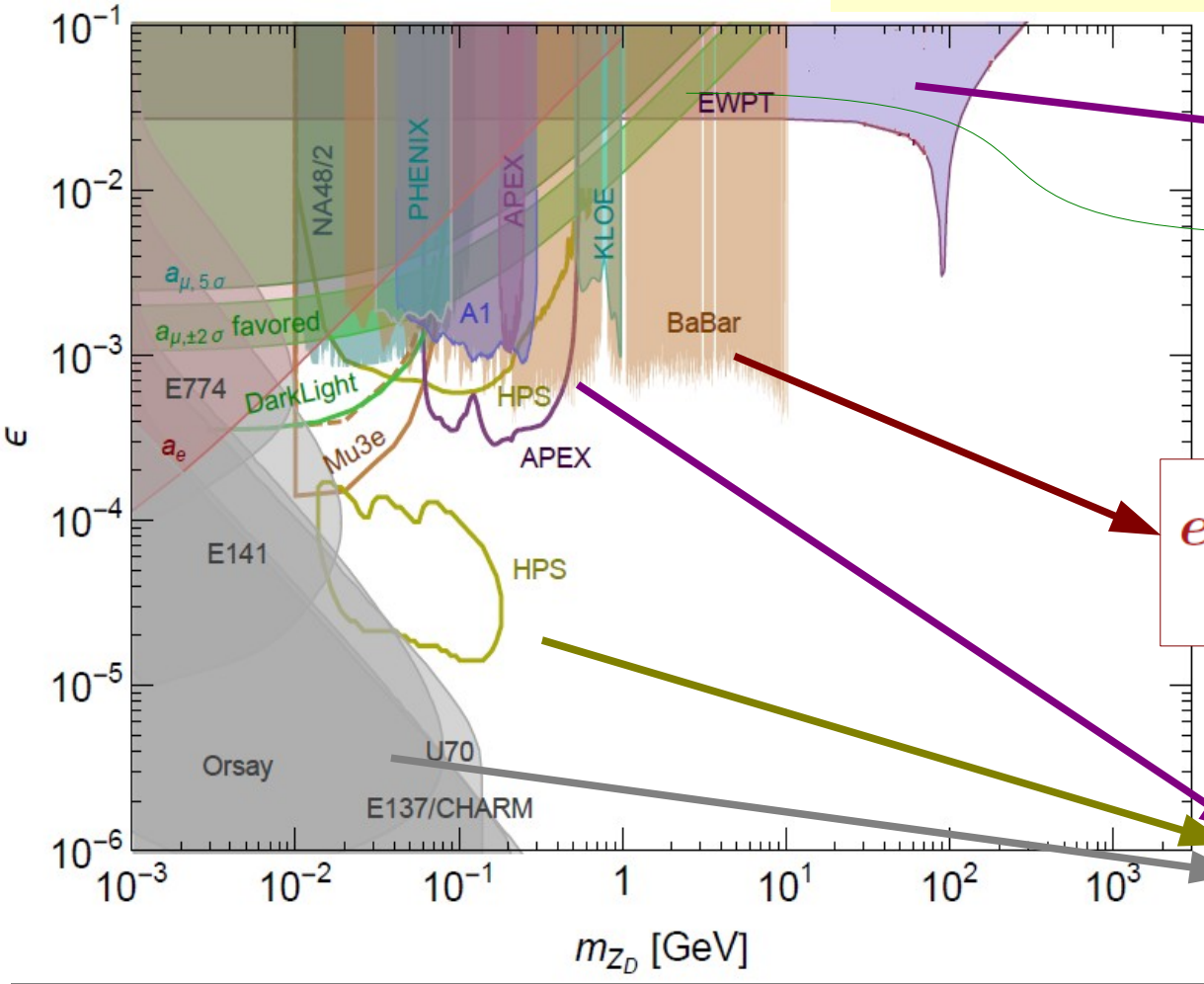


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EW precision measurements at the Z peak

Gopalakrishna, Jung, Wells, 0801.3456

Hook, Izaguirre, Wacker, 1006.0973

$(g-2)_\mu$

$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\mu^+\mu^-$
1406.2980

Fixed target/beam dump experiments

Bjorken, Essig, Schuster, Toro, 0906.0580

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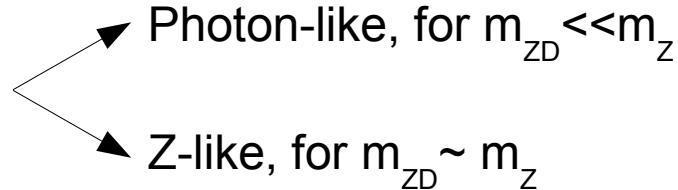
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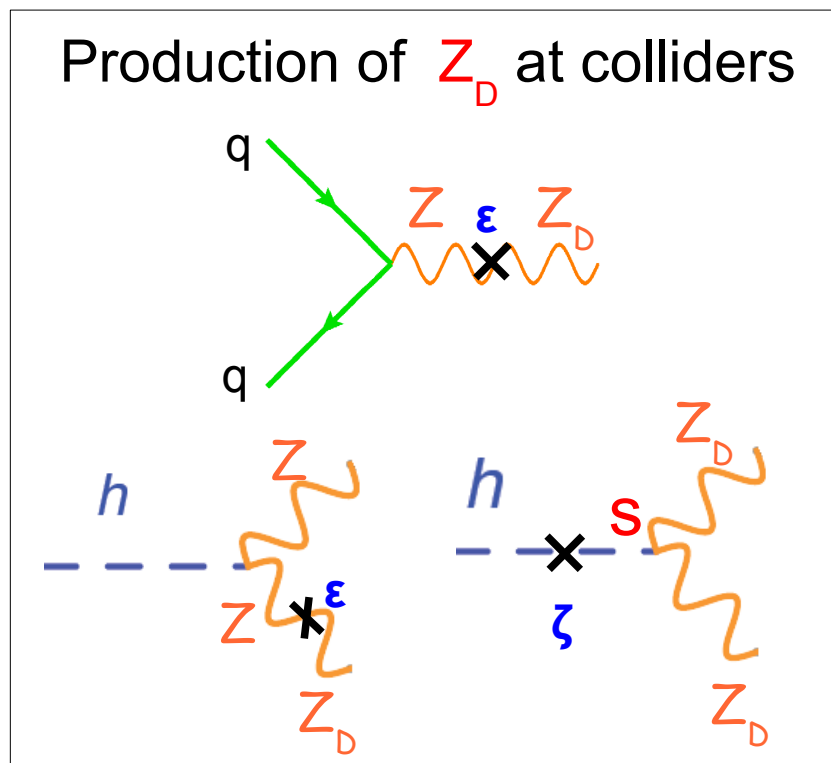
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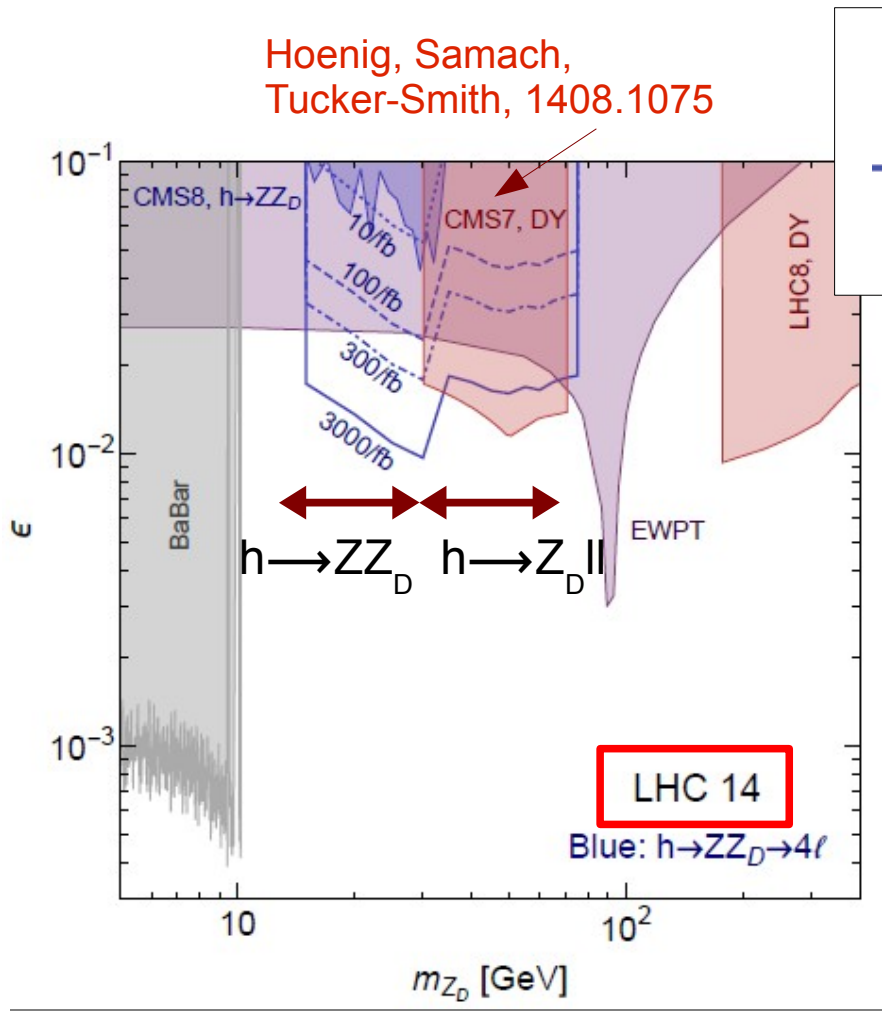
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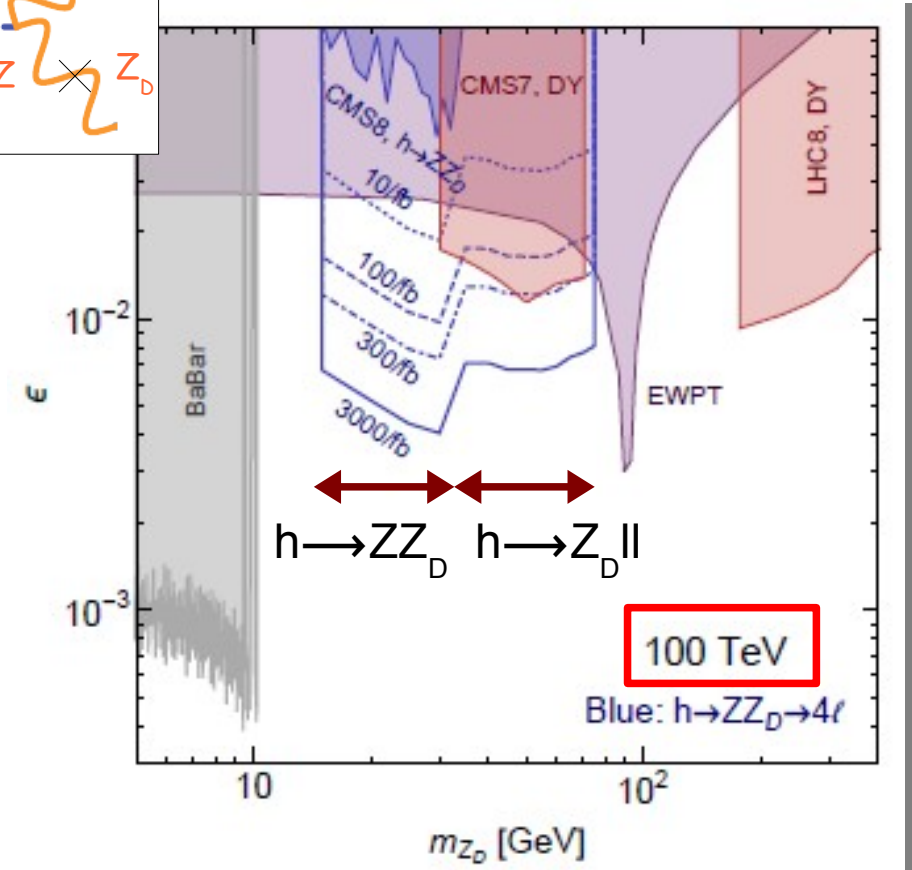
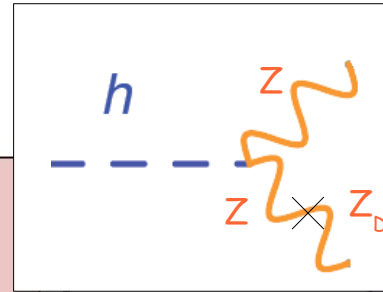


A dedicated search for ZZ_D

Hoening, Samach,
Tucker-Smith, 1408.1075



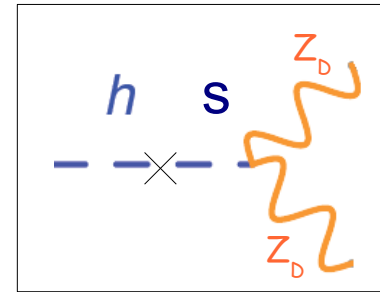
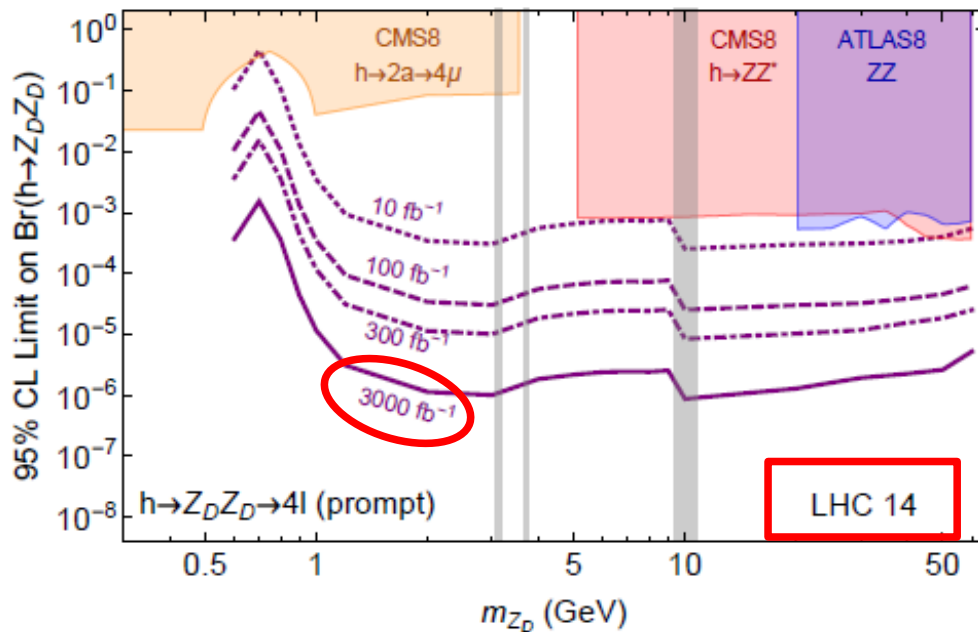
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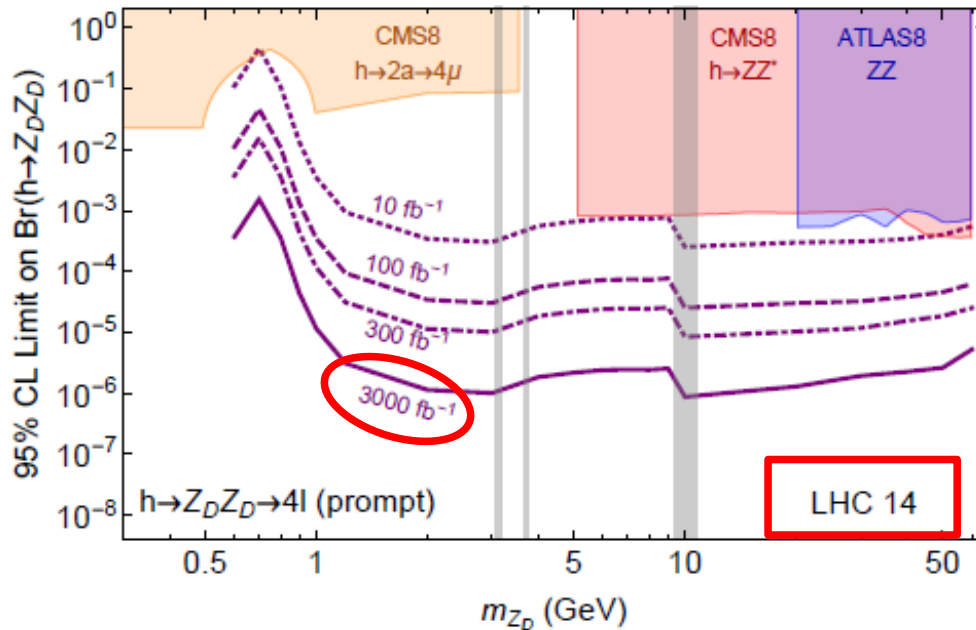
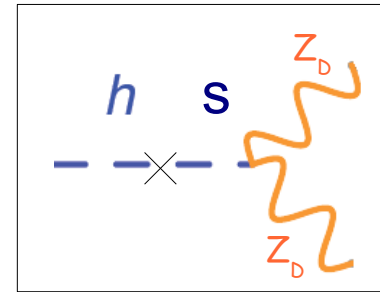


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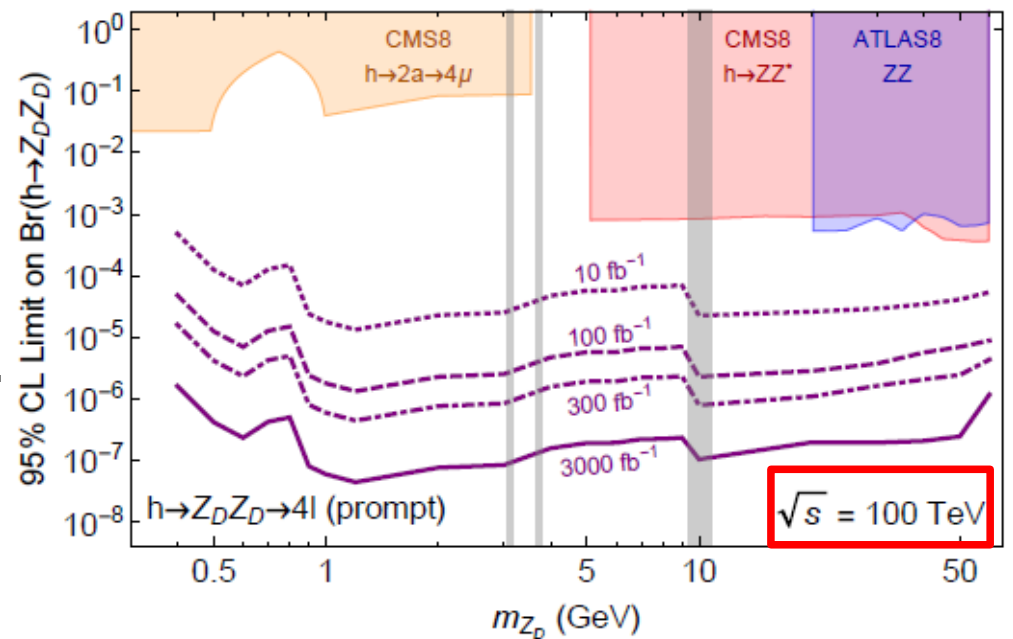
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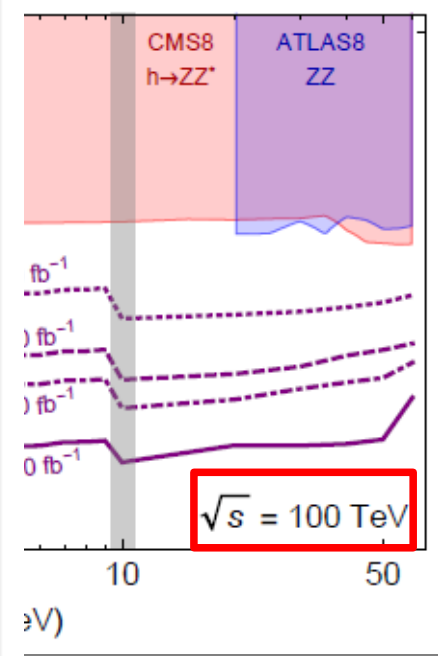
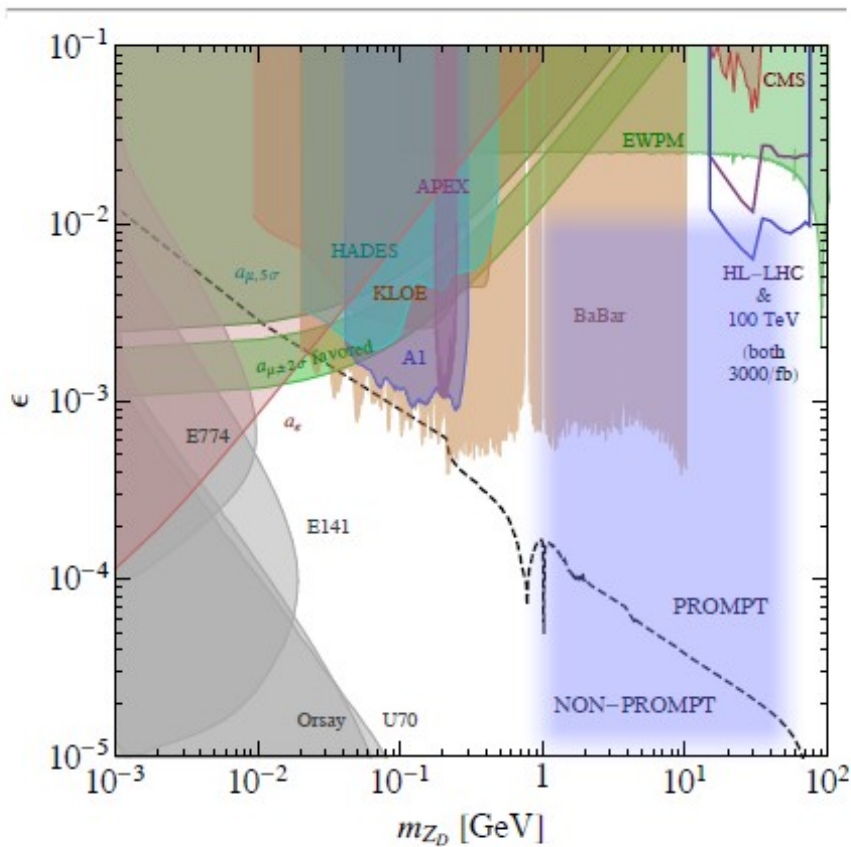
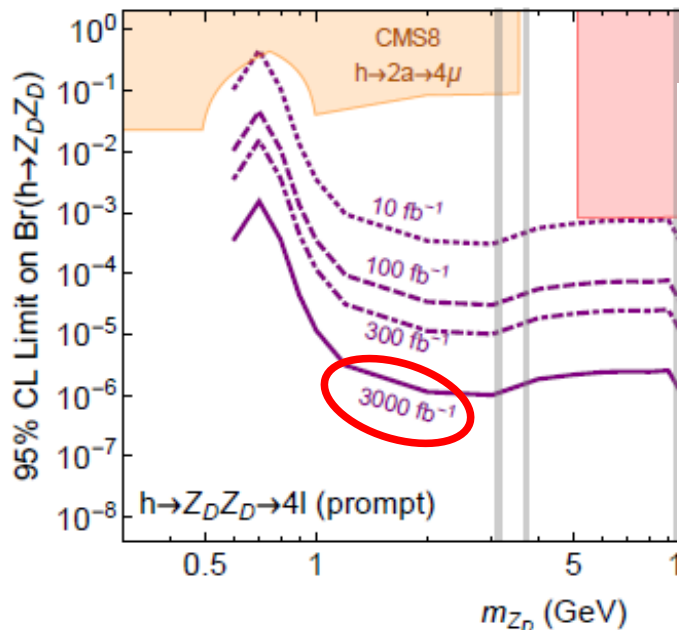
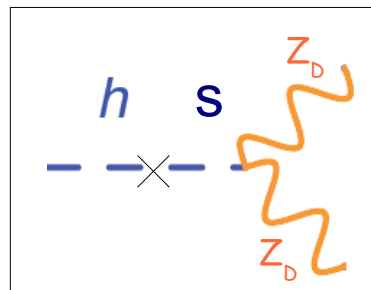
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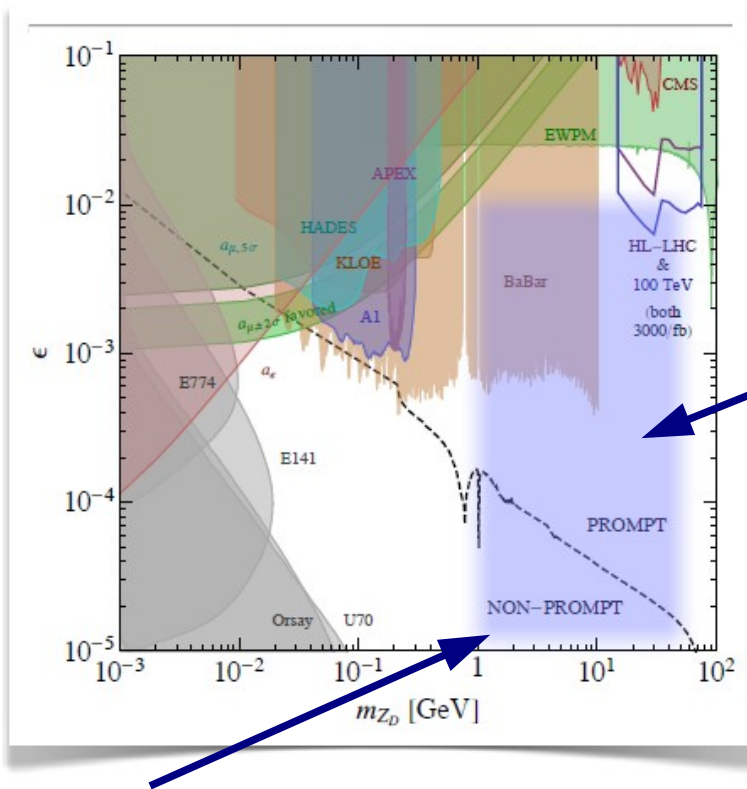
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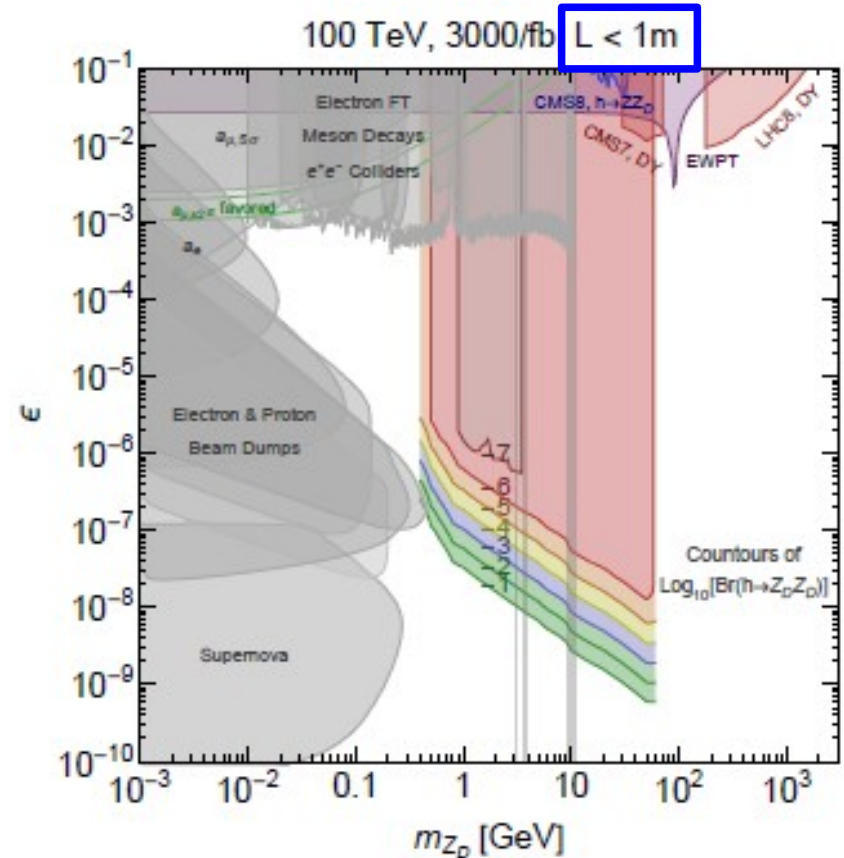
A non-promptly decaying Z_D

What if the kinetic mixing is very small $\epsilon \lesssim 10^{-4} - 10^{-5}$ and Z_D does not decay promptly?

Let's estimate...



Probed by
 $h \rightarrow Z_D Z_D$



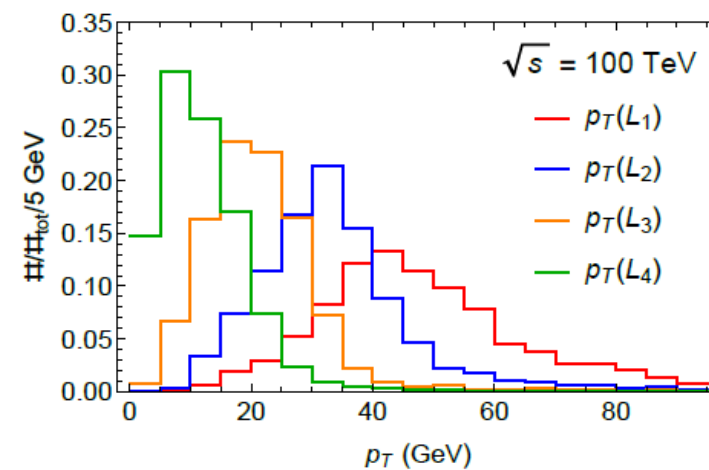
Probability for Z_D to decay inside the detector

The BR we measure $\text{BR}_{\text{eff}} = \text{BR}(h \rightarrow Z_D Z_D) P(L, \sqrt{s}, m_{Z_D}, \epsilon)$

A completely new detector!

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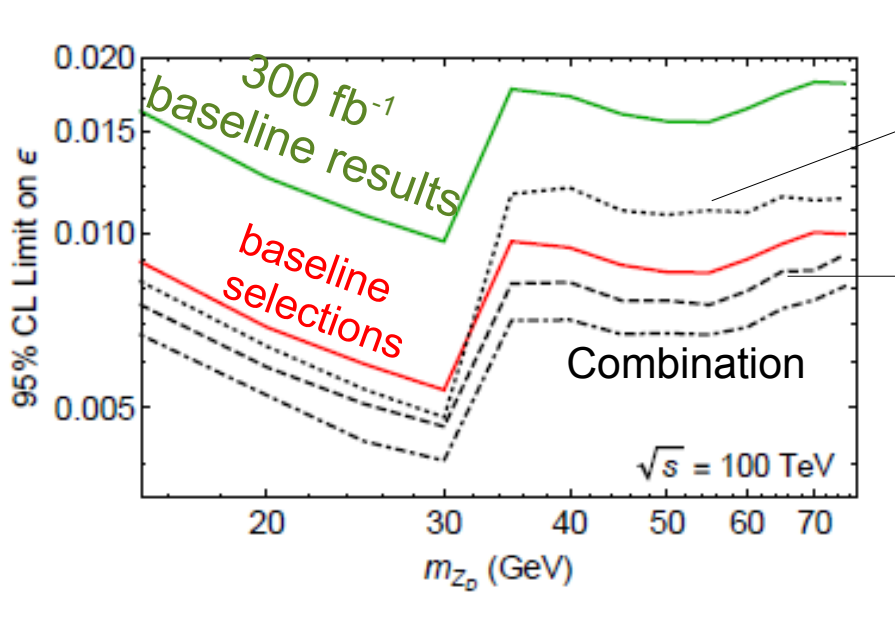
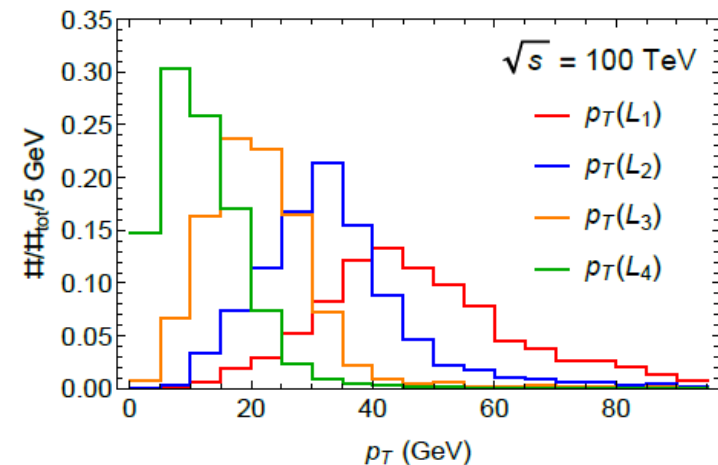
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- ◆ We might gain having a better eta coverage and mass resolution



1. Larger η coverage ($|\eta| < 4$)

2. Better mass resolution

$$|M_{\ell\ell} - m_{Z_D}| < 0.015 M_{\ell\ell}$$

instead of

$$|M_2 - m_{Z_D}| <$$

$$\begin{cases} 0.02M_2 & \text{(electrons)} \\ 2.5(0.026 \text{ GeV} + 0.013M_2) & \text{(muons)} \end{cases}$$

Bound from $h \rightarrow ZZ_D$, 3000 fb^{-1}

Conclusions

A high energy, high luminosity proton proton machine offers a unique opportunity to test exotic decays of the 125GeV Higgs bosons

Branching ratios as low as $\sim \text{few} \times 10^{-9}$ could be tested with 3000fb^{-1} 100TeV data for particularly clean modes

Our assumptions

1. The observed 125 GeV is SM-like

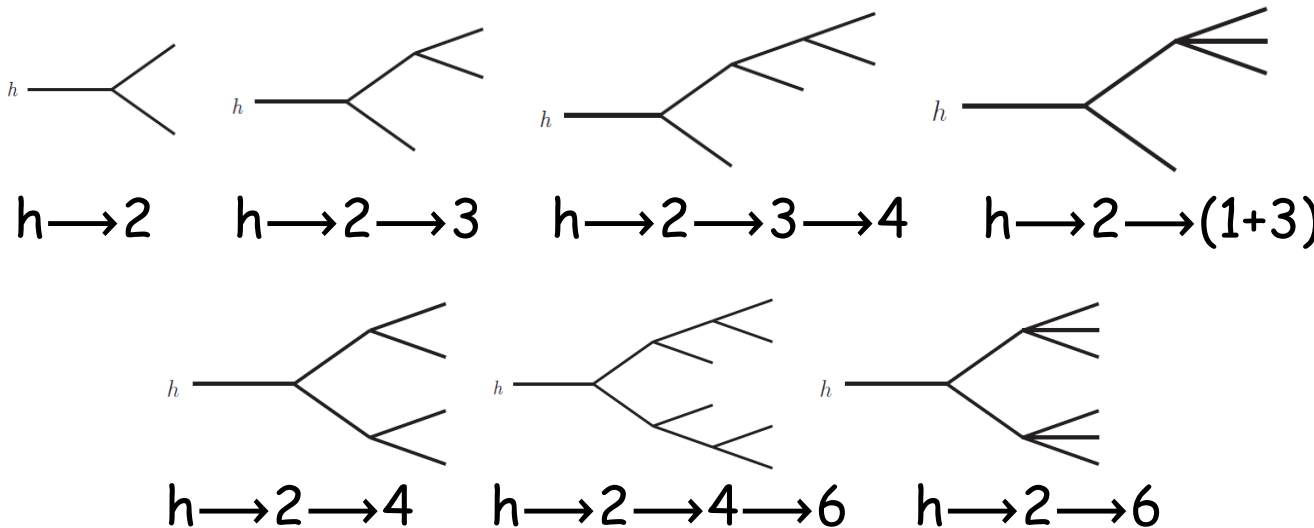
- In particular its production cross section in the several channels is the one of the SM Higgs

2. The Higgs decays promptly to new BSM particles that are either stable or promptly decaying

- we do not consider rare or nonstandard decays to SM particles

3. The Higgs decay is a 2-body decay

- 3-body decays are possible, but require new light states with substantial coupling to h to overcome phase space suppression



$h \rightarrow \text{MET}$
 $h \rightarrow 4b$
 $h \rightarrow 2b2\tau$
 $h \rightarrow 2b2\mu$
 $h \rightarrow 4\tau, 2\tau2\mu$
 $h \rightarrow 4j$
 $h \rightarrow 2\gamma2j$
 $h \rightarrow 4\gamma$
 $h \rightarrow ZZ_D \rightarrow 4l$

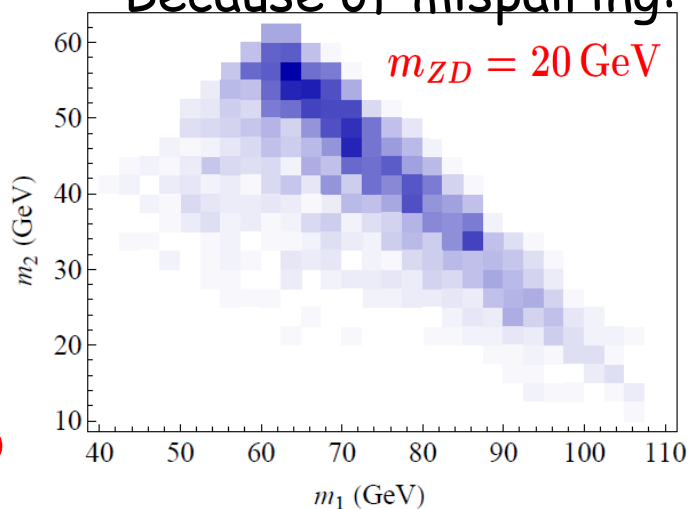
$h \rightarrow Z_D Z_D \rightarrow 4l$
 $h \rightarrow \gamma + \text{MET}$
 $h \rightarrow 2\gamma + \text{MET}$
 $h \rightarrow 4l + \text{MET}$
 $h \rightarrow 2l + \text{MET}$
 $h \rightarrow \text{one lepton jet}$
 $h \rightarrow \text{two lepton jets}$
 $h \rightarrow bb + \text{MET}$
 $h \rightarrow \tau\tau + \text{MET}$

Setting bounds on $Z_D Z_D$: present

Bounds coming from SM $h \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ searches at the LHC

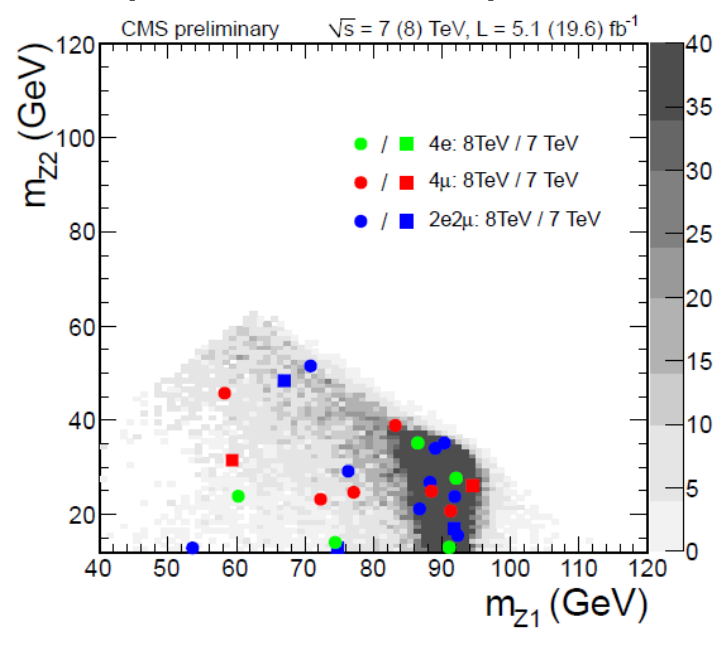
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Because of mispairing:



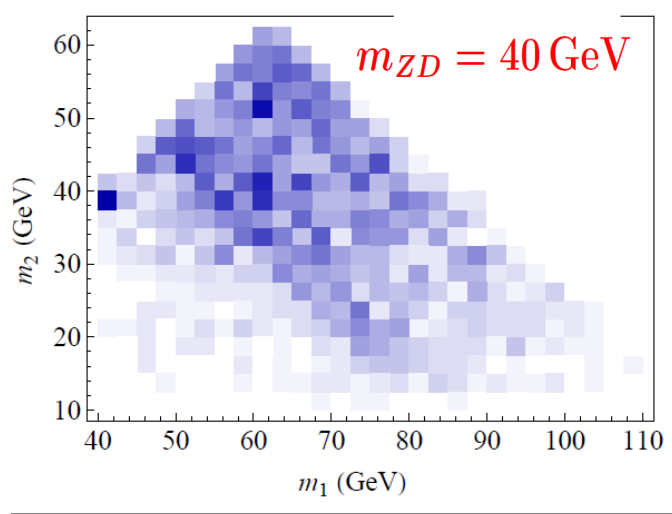
$$40 \text{ GeV} < m_1 < 120 \text{ GeV},$$
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To compare to the experimental data:



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Our signal

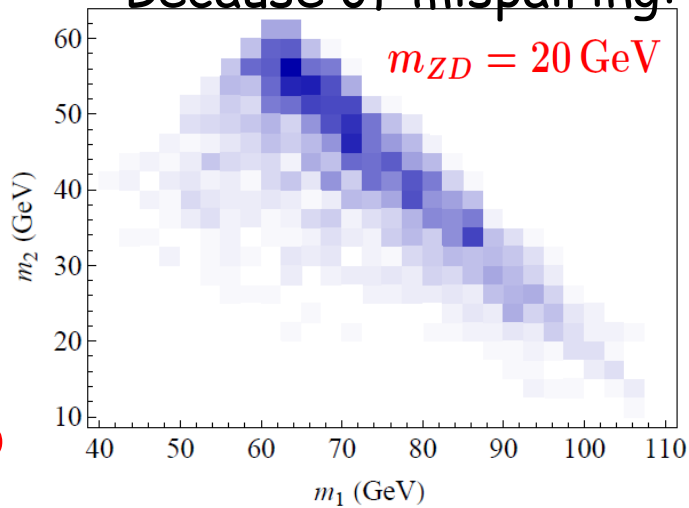


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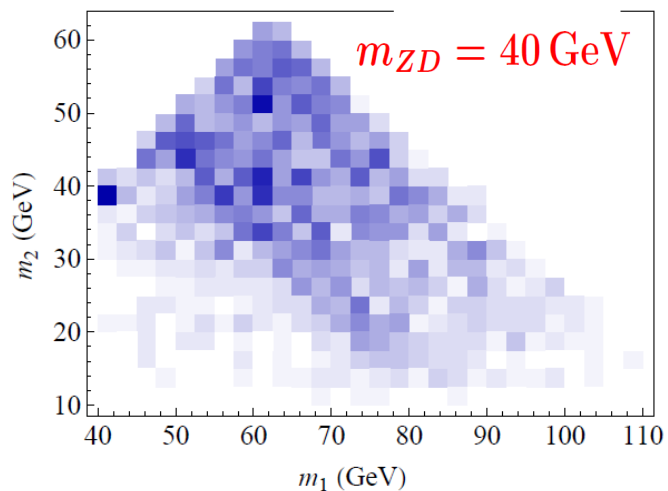
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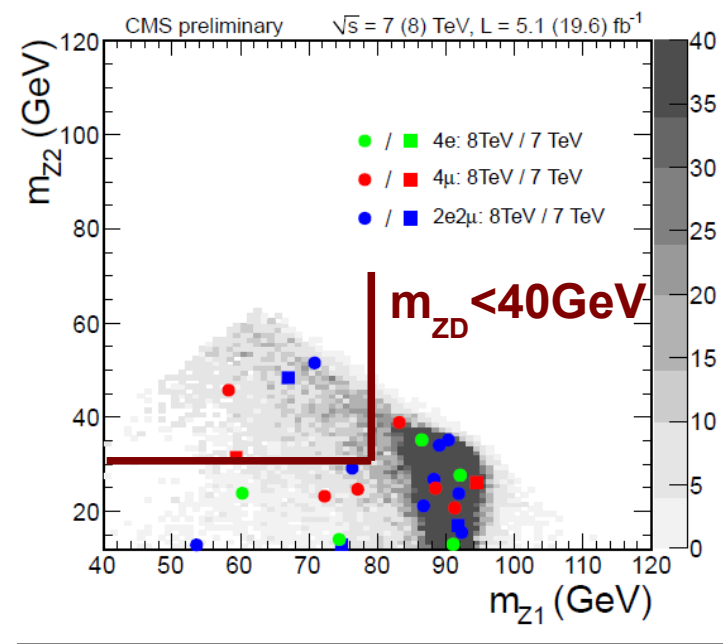
Our signal



$$40 \text{ GeV} < m_1 < 120 \text{ GeV},$$

$$12 \text{ GeV} < m_2 < 120 \text{ GeV}$$

To compare to the experimental data:



For $m_{ZD} > 40 \text{ GeV}$:
 $m_{ZD} \pm 5 \text{ GeV}$

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Setting bounds on $Z_D Z_D$: present

Bounds coming from SM $h \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ searches at the LHC

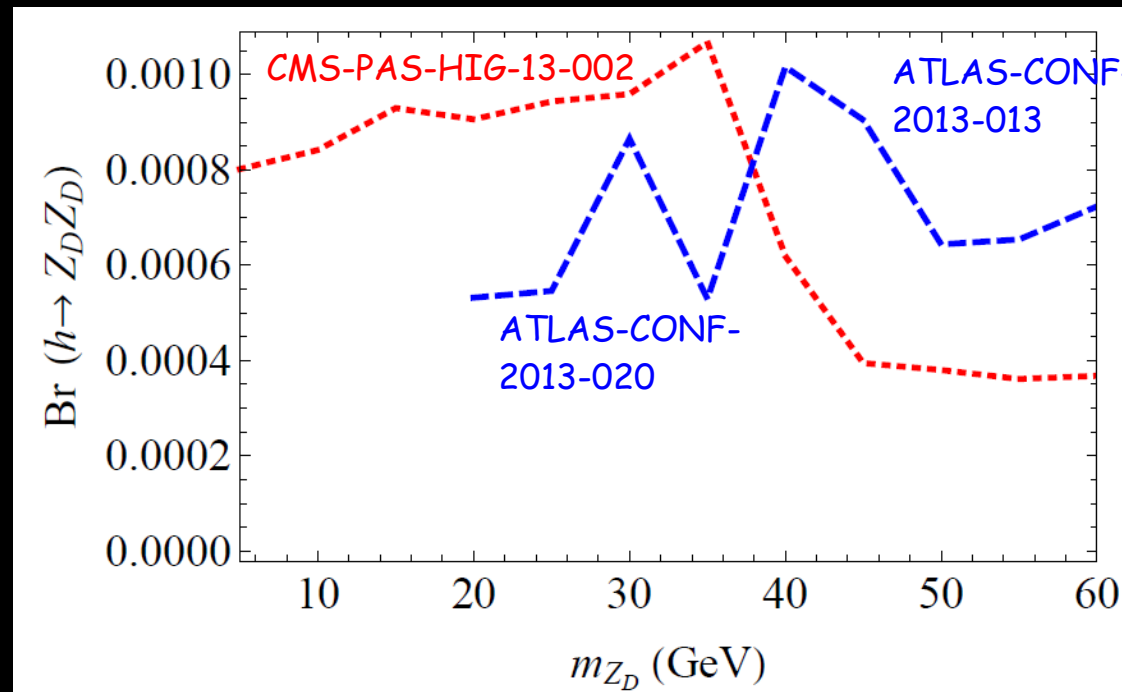
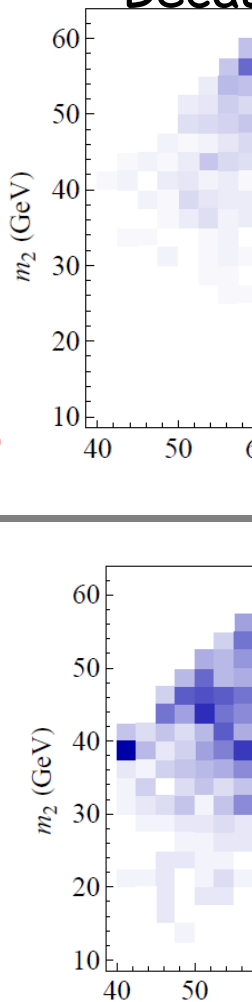
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Because of mispairing:

$m_{Z_D} = 20 \text{ GeV}$

$40 \text{ GeV} < m_{Z_D} < 120 \text{ GeV}$

Our signal



Experimental data:

For $m_{Z_D} > 40 \text{ GeV}$:
 $m_{Z_D} \pm 5 \text{ GeV}$

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The final aim

$$h \rightarrow ZZ_D, h \rightarrow Z_D Z_D$$

Exotic scorecard

	jj	bb	$\tau\tau$	$\ell\ell$	$\nu\nu$
jj					
bb					
$\tau\tau$					
$\ell\ell$					
$\nu\nu$					

Prospects?

Initial attempt for $h \rightarrow Z_D Z_D$ (by theorists)

Decay Mode \mathcal{F}_i	Projected/Current 2σ Limit on $\text{BR}(\mathcal{F}_i)$ 7+8 [14] TeV	Production Mode	$\frac{\text{BR}(\mathcal{F}_i)}{\text{BR}(\text{non-SM})}$	Limit on $\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{\text{SM}}} \cdot \text{BR}(\text{non-SM})$ 7+8 [14] TeV
$jjjj$	> 1 [0.1*]	W	0.25	> 1 [0.4*]
$llll$	$4 \cdot 10^{-5}$	G	0.09	$4 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$jj\mu\mu$	0.002 – 0.008 [(5 – 20) $\cdot 10^{-4}$]	G	0.15	0.01 – 0.06 [0.003 – 0.01]
$bb\mu\mu$	$(2 - 7) \cdot 10^{-4}$ [(0.6 – 2) $\cdot 10^{-4}$]	G	0.015	0.01 – 0.05 [0.003 – 0.01]