



Searches for BSM Higgs bosons in CMS

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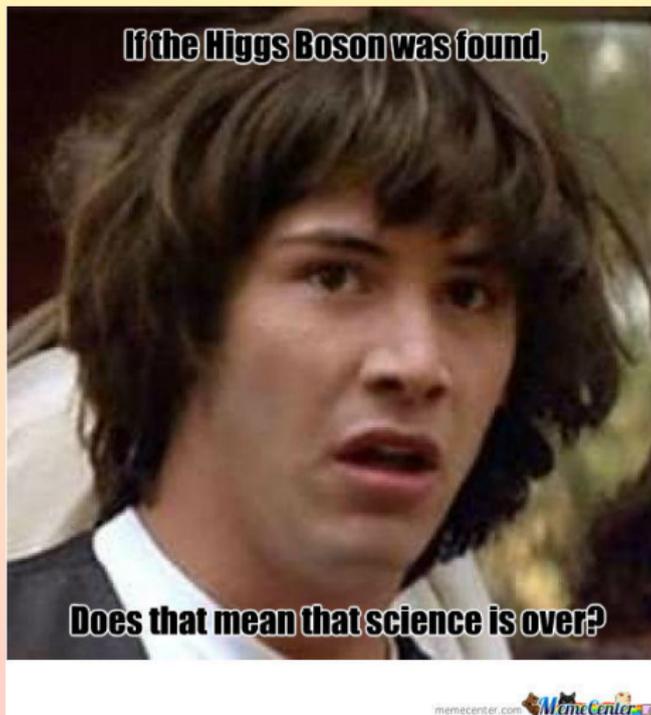


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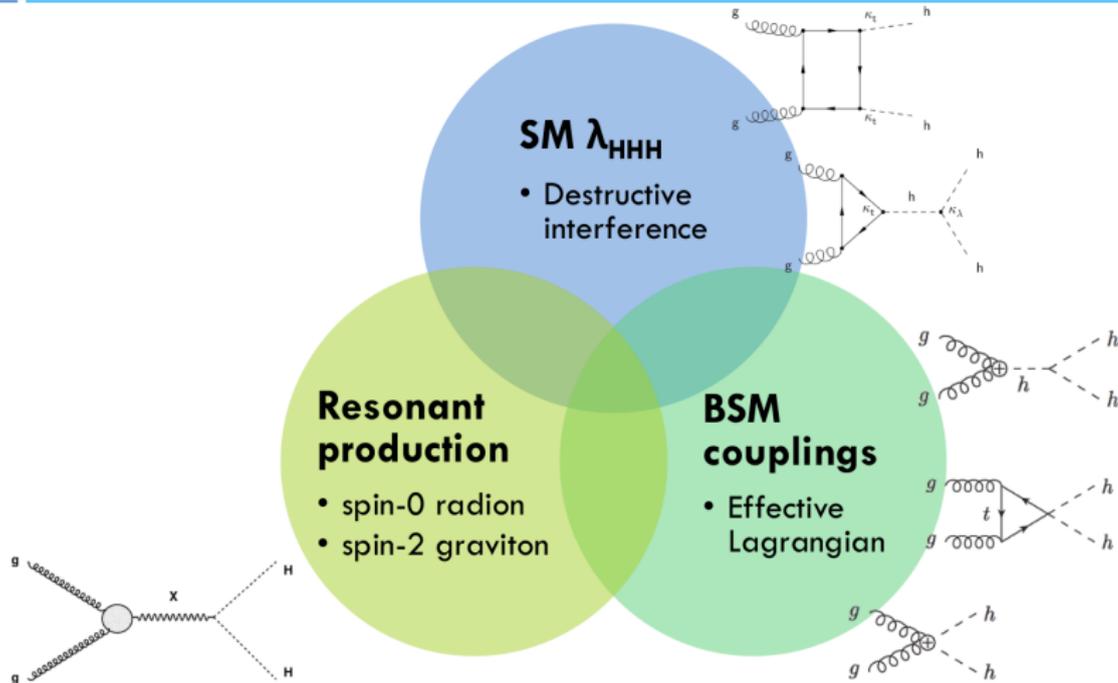
- Discovery of the $h(125)$ boson compatible with the SM is a major step towards understanding EW symmetry breaking
- Measuring Higgs boson couplings provides an independent test of the SM
 - Probing the Higgs field potential shape
- BSM physics effects can appear as anomalous couplings of the Higgs boson
- Minimal extensions of the SM predict additional Higgs bosons (at least four, for a total of five)
- Any such effect would be a smoking gun for new physics!
 - Searches for BSM Higgs bosons are a bleeding edge tool for new physics searches
 - Targeted and more exciting searches than the usual generalist SUSY searches
 - Absence of assumptions on SUSY particles is definitely an advantage



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- Interlaced sectors of the theory lead to a rich experimental landscape



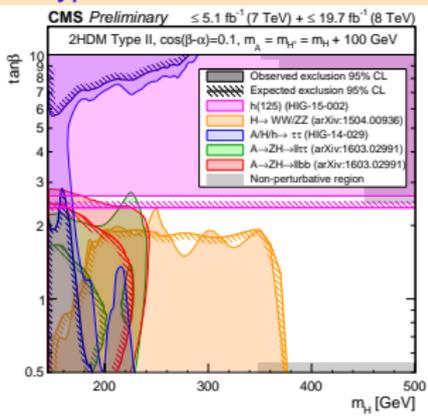
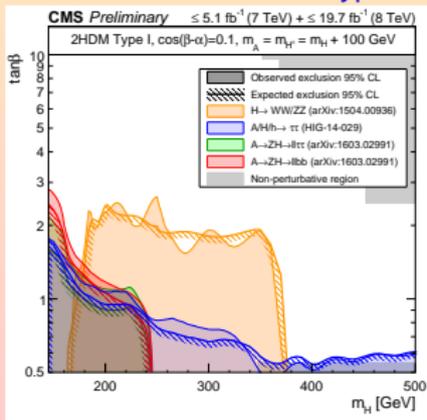
enjoying.higgs@cern.ch Benasque LHC Flavour, May 2017

From André David's talk in Benasque LHC Flavour

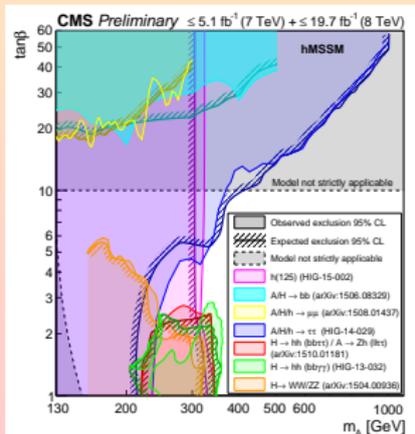
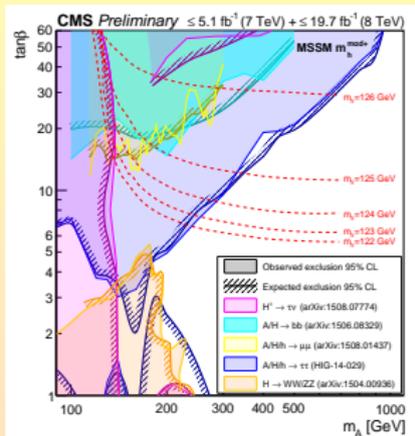
Summary of Run-I CMS searches (HIG-16-007)

- Additional bosons searched extensively in Run-I
- Grand summaries of all CMS heavy Higgs boson searches
 - 2HDM and MSSM scenarios chosen to maximize contribution of all analyses
- Type-II 2HDM more constrained than Type-I because of enhanced coupling of A H to down-type fermions for increasing $\tan\beta$
- hMSSM more constrained than MSSM because $A/H/h \rightarrow \tau\tau$ sensitivity to shift of M_H to higher values w.r.t. M_A for low $\tan\beta$

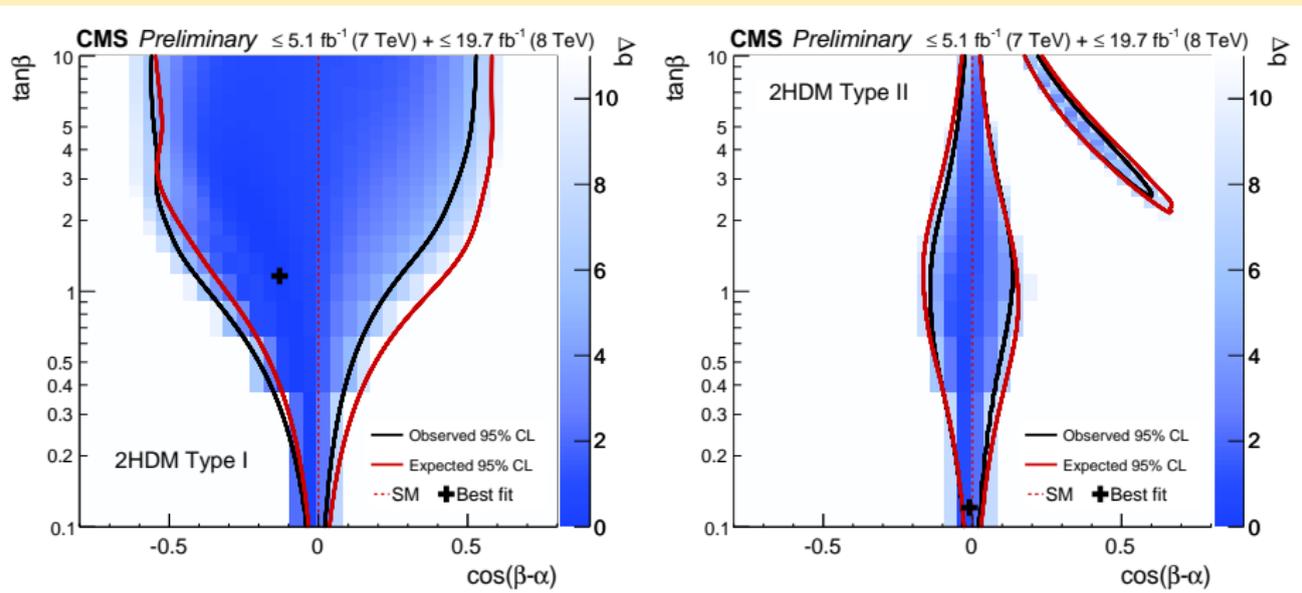
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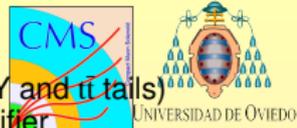
MSSM and hMSSM



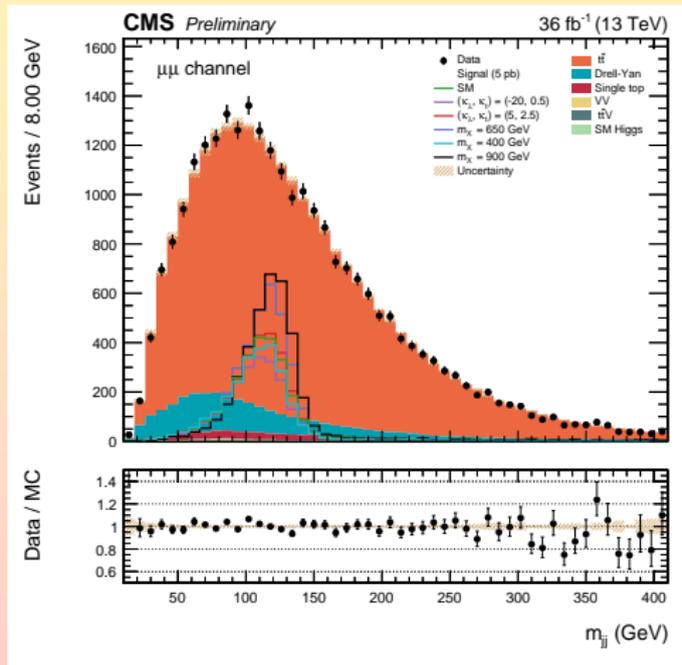
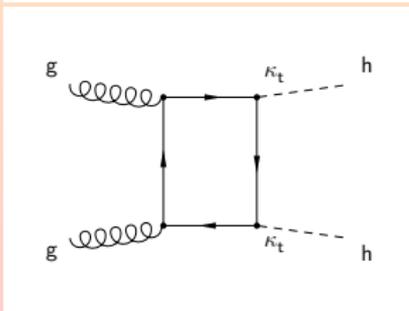
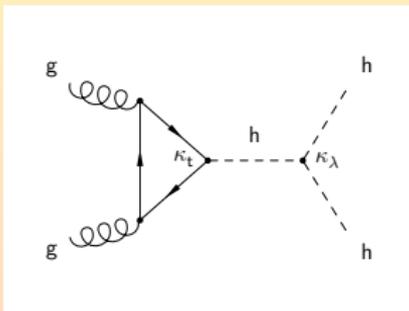
- Interpreted $h(125)$ as the lighter neutral 2HDM boson h
 - The observed production and decay rate constrains model phase space
- Simultaneous fit of ratios of the $t3$ LO coupling modifiers (k_u, k_d, k_V), and derive exclusion contours
 - Combining experimental information from all probed $h(125)$ decays



$h h \rightarrow bbVV \rightarrow bbl\nu\nu$ (HIG-17-006)

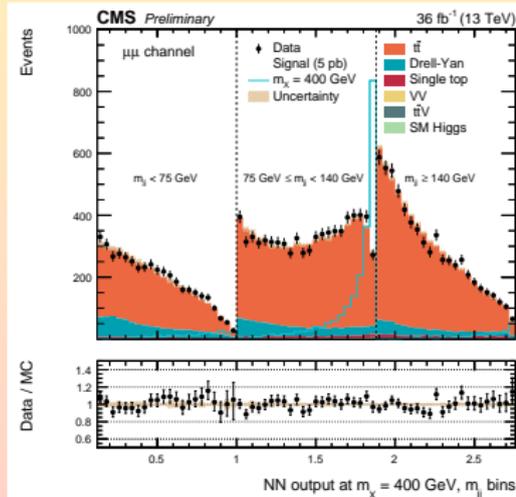
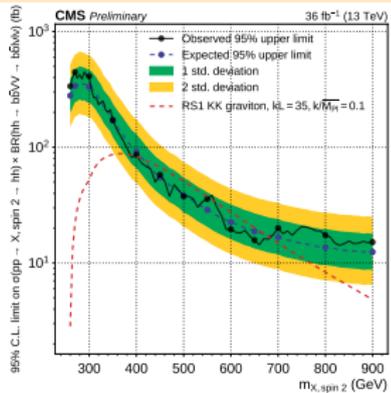
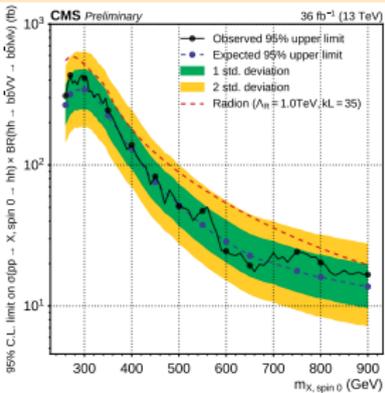


- 2 OS leptons, $2b$, $M_{\ell\ell} < m_Z - 15$ (reduces resonant Z peak and high DY and $t\bar{t}$ tails)
- DY contribution in OSSF+2b estimated in data via a dedicated BDT classifier
 - Re-weight data according to BDT classifier and k (=light,c,b)-flavour efficiencies
 - Residual non-DY contribution subtracted from the re-weighted data
- $\ell := e, \mu, \tau$ (leptonic tau decays accounted for!)
- Other backgrounds estimated from simulation

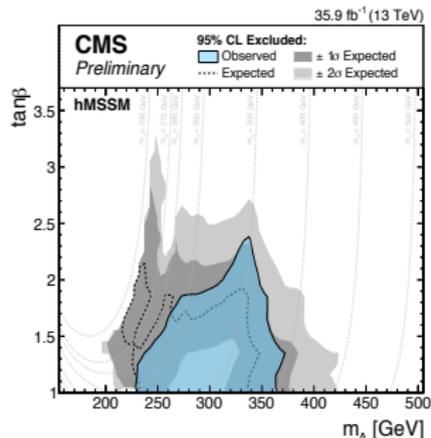
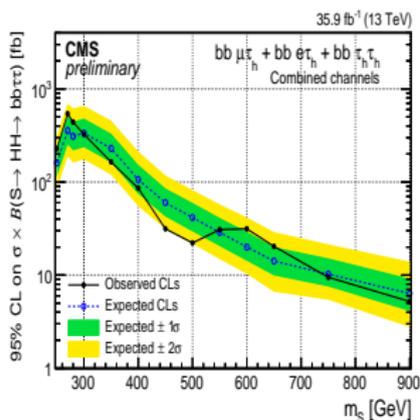
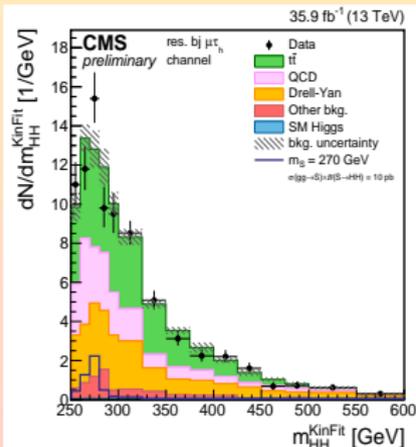


- DNN classifier improves signal separation from $t\bar{t}$ main background
- Parameterized machine learning technique to ensure optimal sensitivity to all mass hypotheses
 - Performance as good as individual networks trained for specific mass hypotheses
 - Provides a smooth interpolation to cases not fed during the training phase
 - Parameterized with resonance mass, dilepton flavour (SF/OF)

- No significant excess (neither resonant nor non-resonant)
- Set exclusion regions on heavy resonances



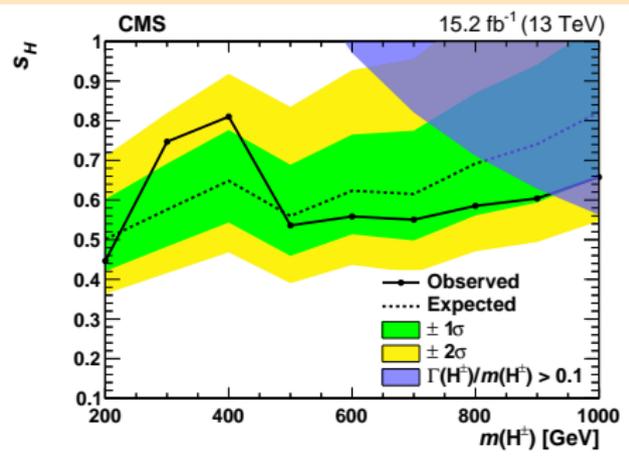
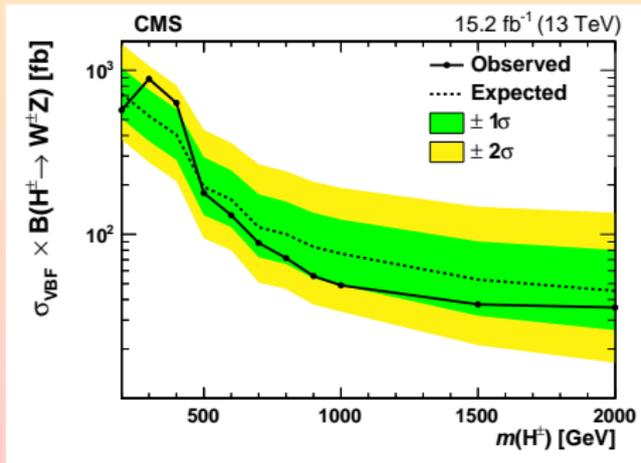
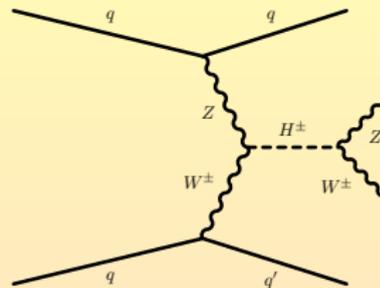
- Trilinear self couplings λ_{HHH} probed in Higgs boson pair production
 - Resonant production is a feature of Singlet models, 2HDM, MSSM, Warped Extra Dimensions models
- Account for 80% of the decays of the $\tau\tau$ system ($\ell\tau\nu_\tau$, or $\tau_h\tau_h$)
- Select events with 2 opposite charge leptons, and two large ($\Delta R = 0.8$) anti- K_T jets
 - Resolve boosted topologies using jet substructure taggers
- Suppress $t\bar{t}$ by requiring a 90% rejection in cutting on a dedicated BDT classifier
- Kinematic fit to reconstruct $M_{HH} := M(\tau\tau bb)$



Non-resonant production covered by Teresa Lenz in her talk!

Charged Higgs to WZ (HIG-16-027)

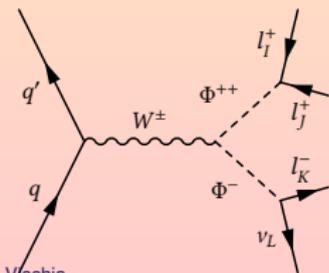
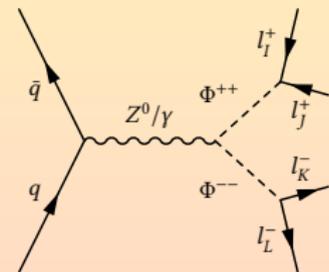
- Tree-level couplings rise when extending Higgs sector with SU(2) triplets
- VBF topology: two $M_{jj} > 500$ GeV jets
- Three leptons (veto additional ones)
 - Reconstruct Z as pair with $M_{\ell\ell}$ closest to M_Z
- Estimate QCD from low- M_{jj} sidebands
- Used 2015 (2.3 fb^{-1}) and 2016 (12.9 fb^{-1}) data
- Most stringent limit on Georgi-Machacek triplet model



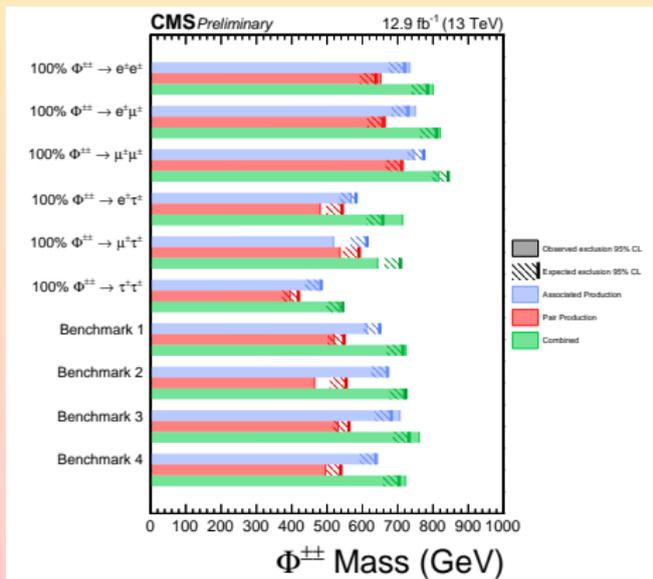
Doubly charged Higgs (HIG-16-036)



- Scalar triplet coming from minimal Type-II seesaw mechanism
 - Small v.e.v. (otherwise unnaturally small Yukawa couplings)
 - Decays to lepton pairs: WW decays are suppressed because proportional to v.e.v.
- Three leptons ($\Phi^{\pm\pm}\Phi^{\pm}$) and four leptons final states ($\Phi^{++}\Phi^{--}$)
- Backgrounds estimated in sidebands (outside of mass window)
 - Non-prompt leptons component estimated with tight-to-loose ratio
 - Contaminations from W +jets, Z , and low resonances removed via mass/transverse mass cuts
- Limits on $\sigma_{\Phi^{\pm\pm}}$ set assuming 100% BR for each flavour combination
- Mass exclusions around 500–700 GeV for each flavour combination and Type-II see-saw models benchmarks

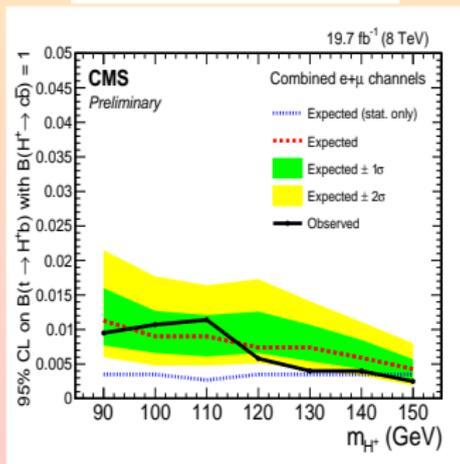
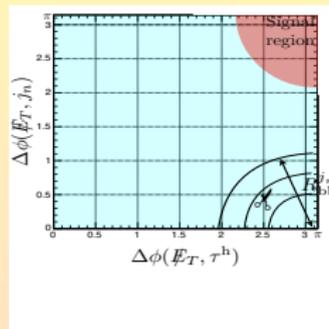
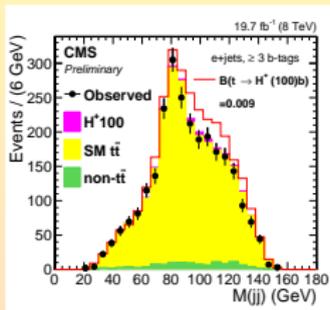


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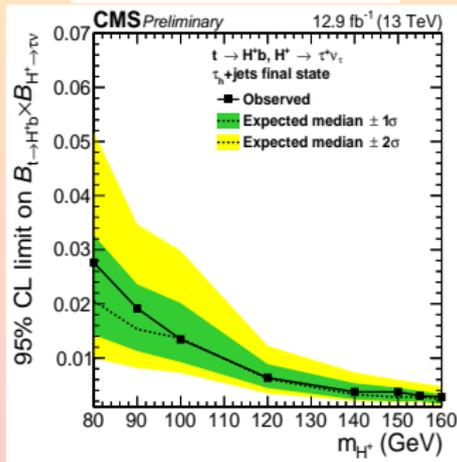


Other 13 TeV charged Higgs results

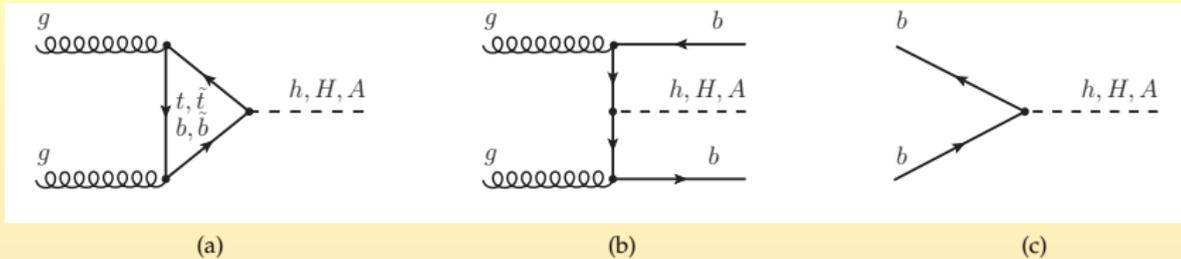
- $H^+ \rightarrow c\bar{b}$ (HIG-16-030)
- Dijet mass reconstruction in $\ell+jets$
- Set limits on $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow H^+b)$



- $H^\pm \rightarrow \tau^\pm \nu_\tau$ (HIG-16-031)
- Background rejection via τ -related angular variable
- Stringent limits set (light and heavy case)
- $H^\pm \rightarrow t\bar{b}$ coming soon

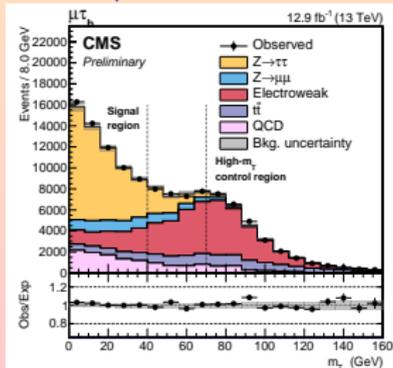


Neutral MSSM $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ (HIG-16-037)

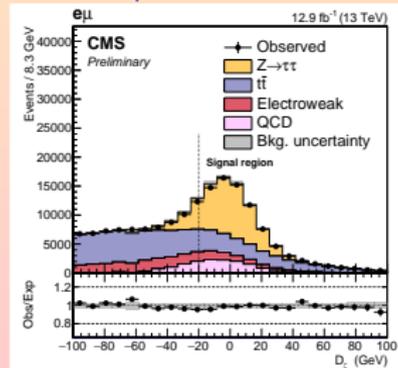


- Final states ($e\mu, e\tau_h, \mu\tau_h, \tau_h \tau_h$) studied w/ targeted triggers and offline selection
- Contribution from events with fake hadronic taus is estimated in data
 - Mainly W +jets and QCD multijets events
- Signal regions identified via dedicated cuts in different final states
 - $\ell\tau$: transverse mass between the light lepton and the E_T^{miss}
 - $e\mu$: topological discriminator D_ζ based on projecting momenta and E_T^{miss} on the axis ζ bisecting p_T^e, p_T^μ

$\mu\tau$ final state

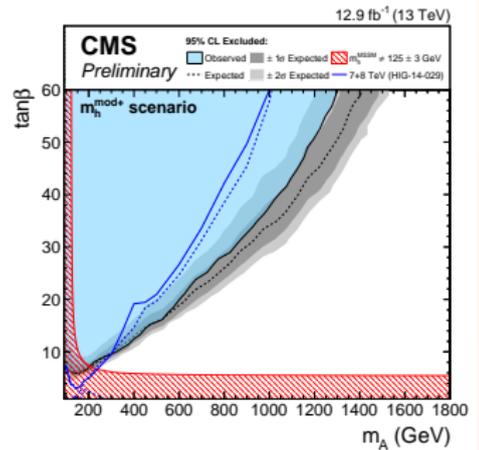
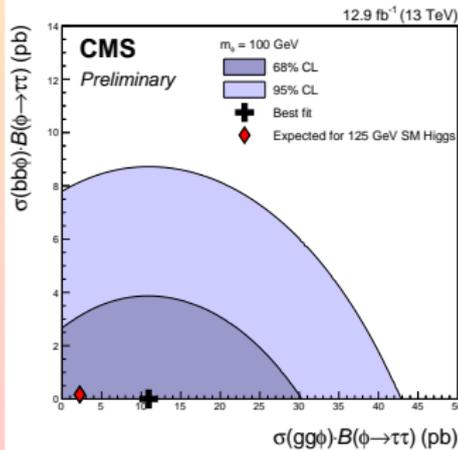
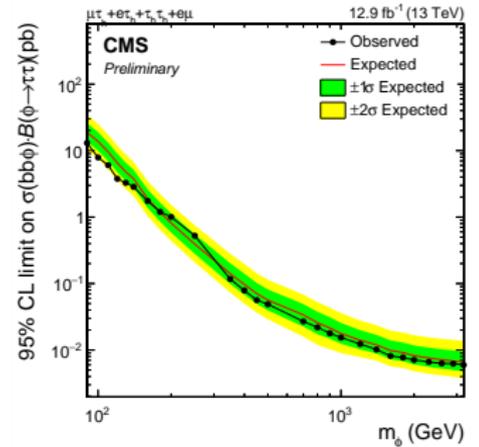
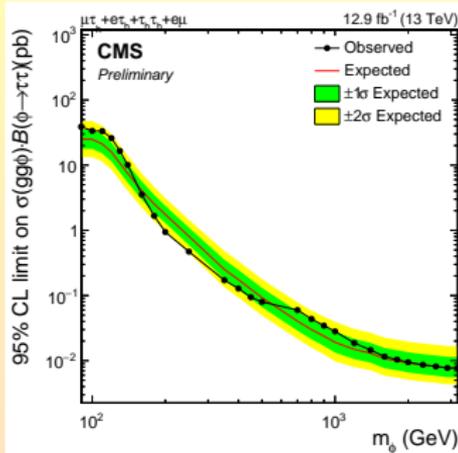


$e\mu$ final state



Neutral MSSM H $\rightarrow \tau\tau$ (HIG-16-037)

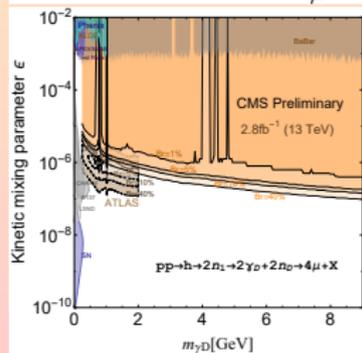
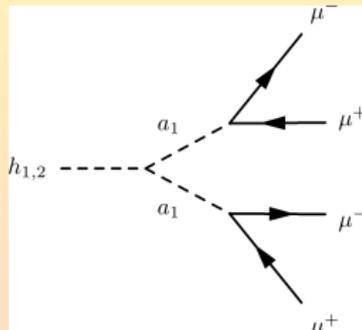
- Obtain limits on each production mode independently
- Scan the two production modes
- Set limits on MSSM scenarios (m_ϕ^{mod+})



Other searches for resonances

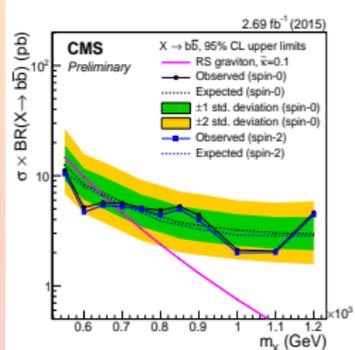
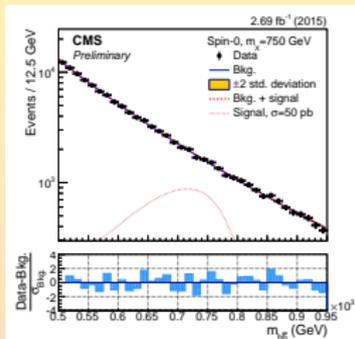
BSM $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow 4\mu$ (HIG-16-035)

- 2 OS muon pairs
- Iso requirements to suppress dimuons from jets
- Model independent 95% CL upper limit: 1.7 pb



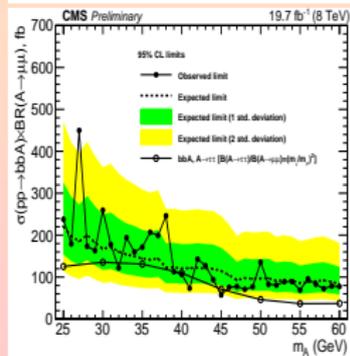
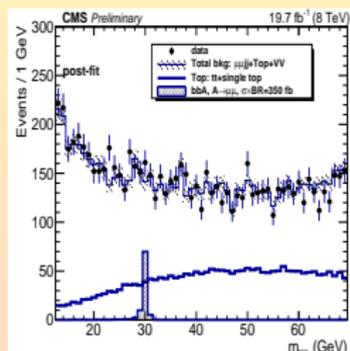
Heavy BSM $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ (HIG-16-025)

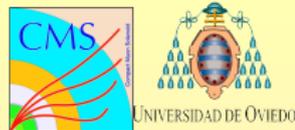
- 2b-jet, 0 l final state
- Fit dijet invariant mass spectrum



Light BSM $b\bar{b}H \rightarrow b\bar{b}\mu\mu$ (HIG-15-009)

- Optimized cuts to enhance signal
- Complementary to $A \rightarrow \tau\tau$ search
- Fit dimuon mass spectrum





- BSM Higgs boson searches at the LHC are a bleeding edge tool for testing the SM
- Any measured effect would be a smoking gun for new physics
- Rich CMS program in various final states
 - Full combination of Run-I results improved comprehension of theory landscape
 - Run-II results complement and expand the set of experimental results
- Self couplings and additional neutral bosons searched for with advanced tools
 - Advanced multivariate classifiers (DNN)
 - Jet substructure in boosted topologies
 - Sophisticated kinematical cuts
- Multilepton topologies favoured (low SM backgrounds)
- Topologies with heavy objects (b quarks, τ leptons) favoured
- Many new results to come or be updated soon!!!
- **Stay tuned!** <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsHIG>

THANKS FOR THE ATTENTION!

Backup

- Non-resonant case: upper limits are set as a function of $\frac{\kappa_\lambda}{\kappa_t}$

