

# The Higgs boson and the scale of new physics

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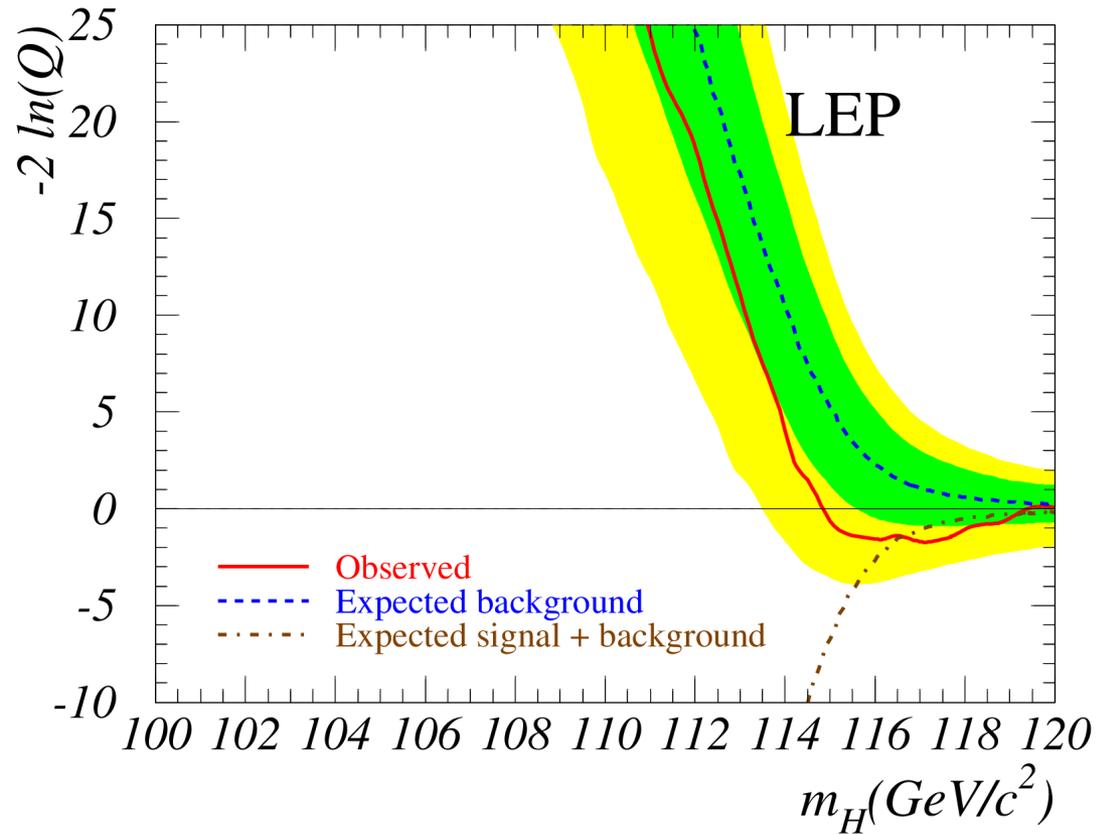
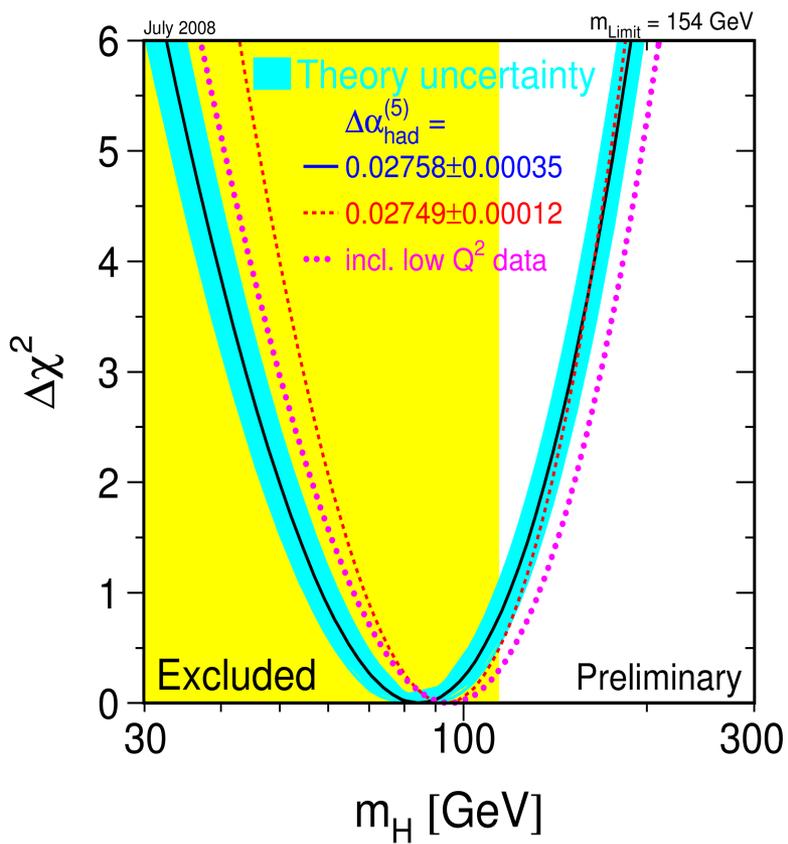


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# Outline

- Past and present informations on the Higgs boson
- Implications of  $M_h \sim 125$  GeV for New Physics:  
vacuum stability, MSSM
- Conclusions

# The past: LEP



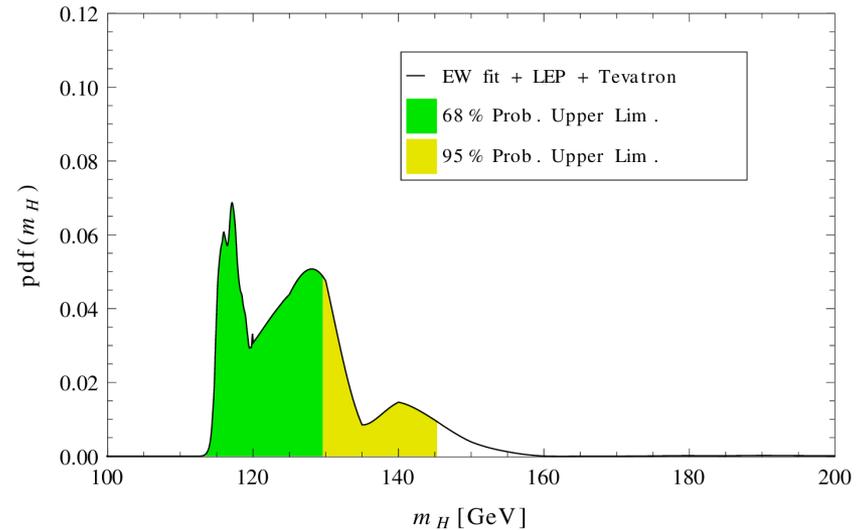
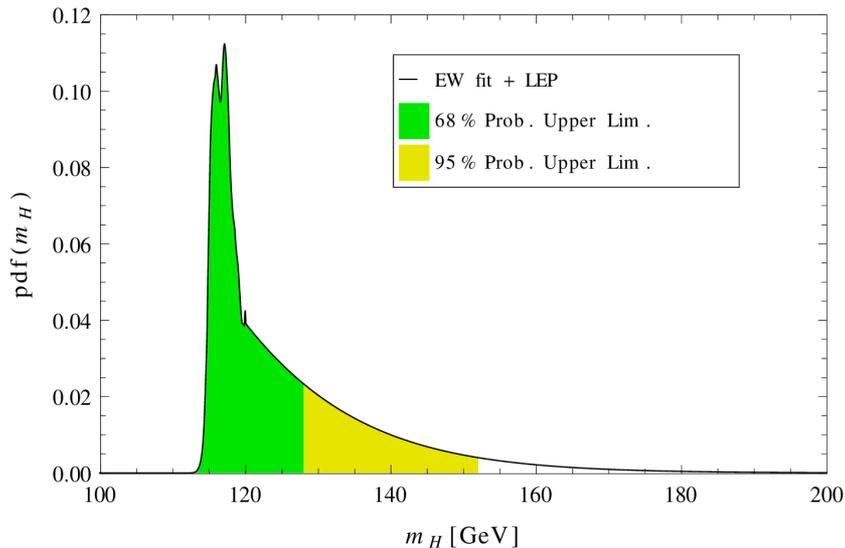
$$Q = \frac{\mathcal{L}(s + b)}{\mathcal{L}(b)}$$

# The past: LEP+ Tevatron

Combining direct and indirect information:

D'Agostini, G.D.1999

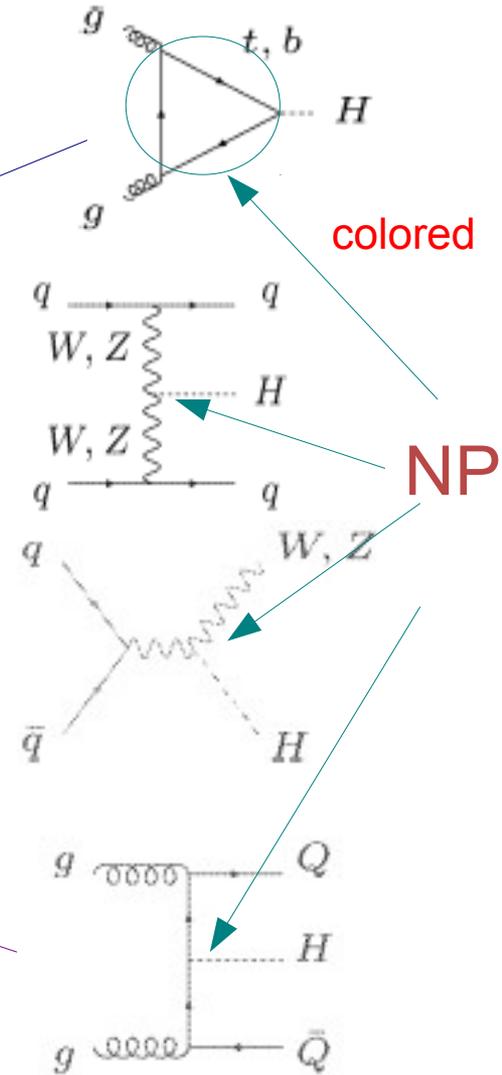
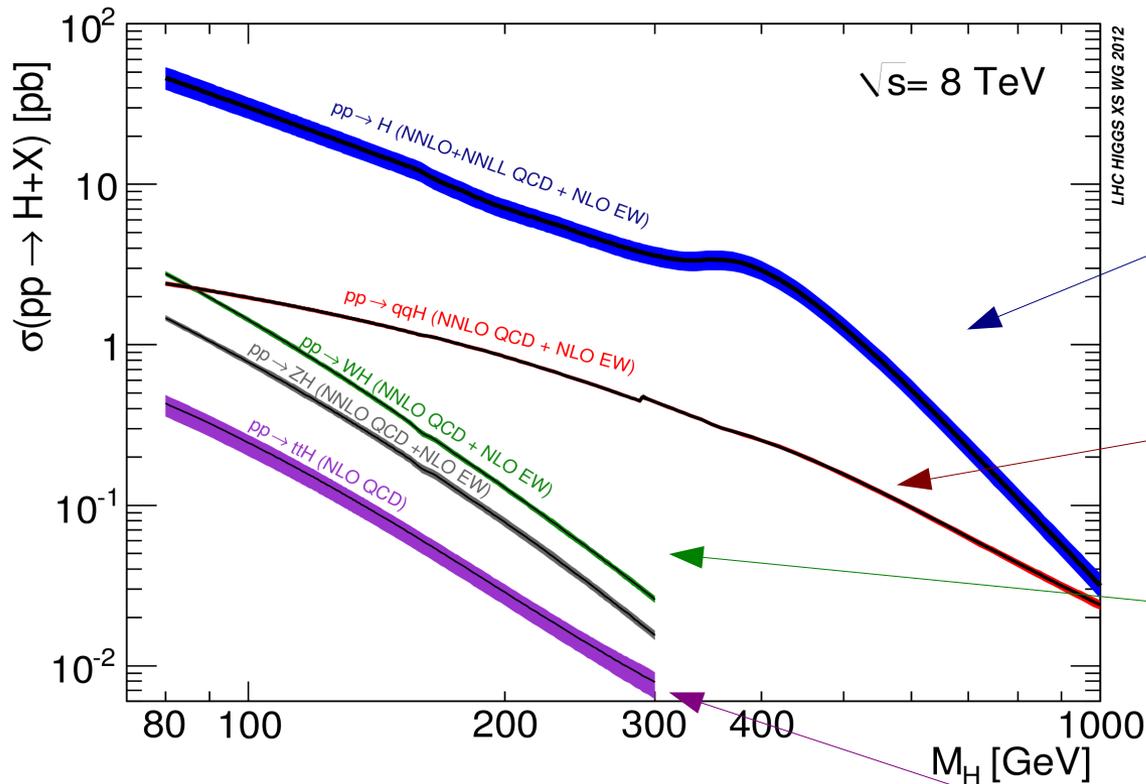
$$\text{pdf}(M_h) \propto \frac{Q(M_h)e^{-(x^2/2)}}{M_h}$$



courtesy of S. Di Vita

The consistency of the (minimal) SM at the quantum level predicts a Higgs boson with mass between 110 and 160 GeV

# The present: LHC Higgs Production



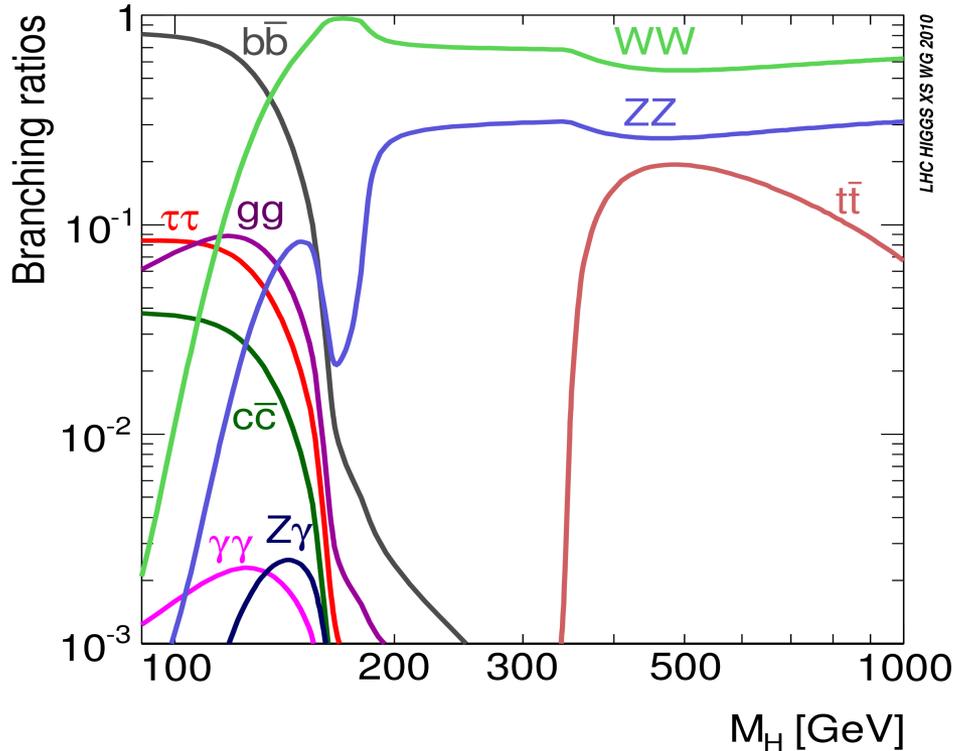
Gluon-fusion process dominant

Weak-boson fusion has a very good-signal/background ratio

Bands include: PDF +  $\alpha_s$  + scale uncertainties

Heavy replicas of SM particles contribute to gluon-fusion:  
ex. 4<sup>th</sup> generation

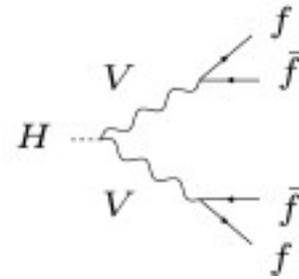
# The present: LHC Higgs Decays



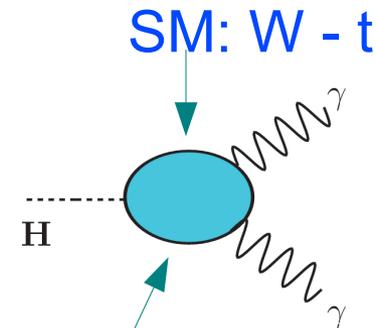
A NP increase in gluon-fusion X-sect. often corresponds to a decrease of  $BR(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$

The  $BR(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$  can increase if NP reduces the other BR's

Golden Channel  $V=Z$

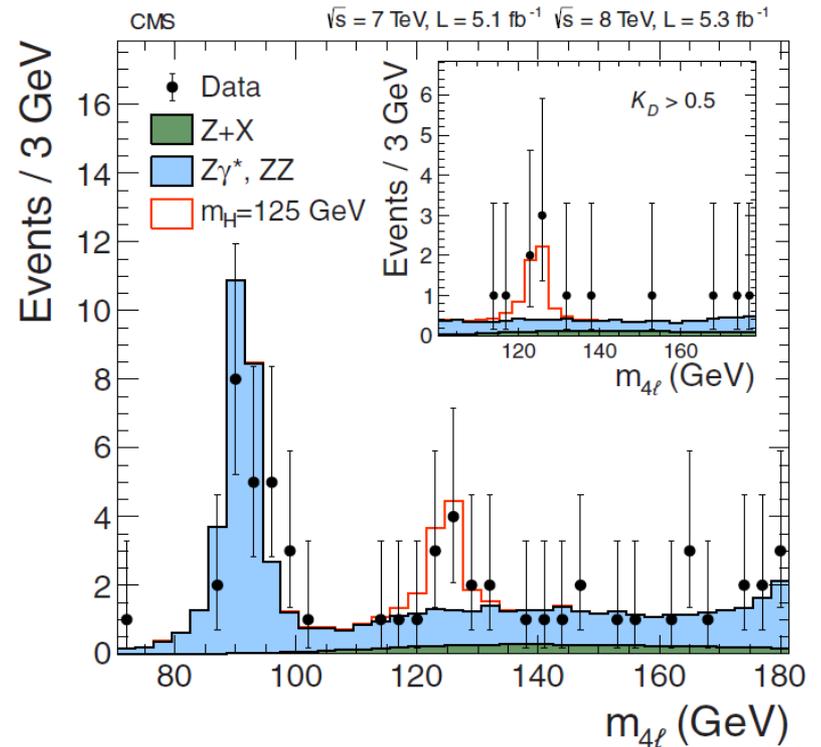
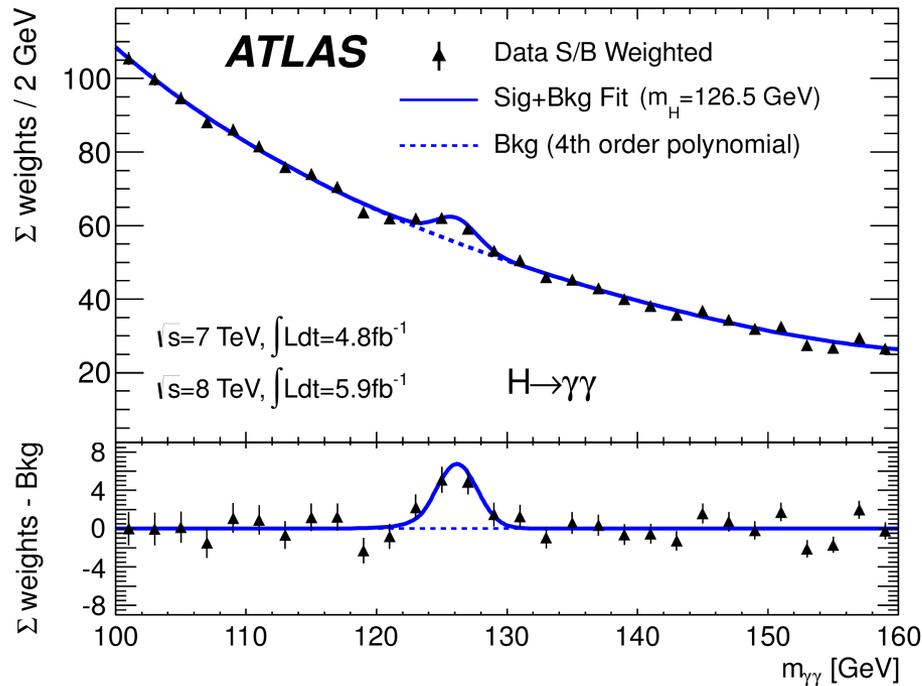


Low Higgs mass



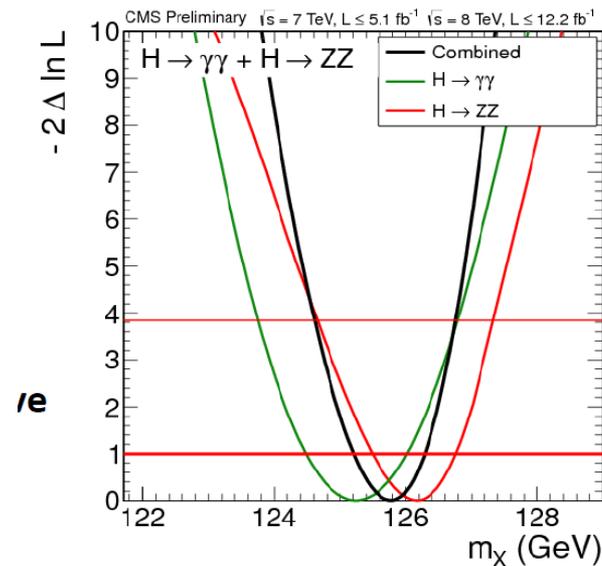
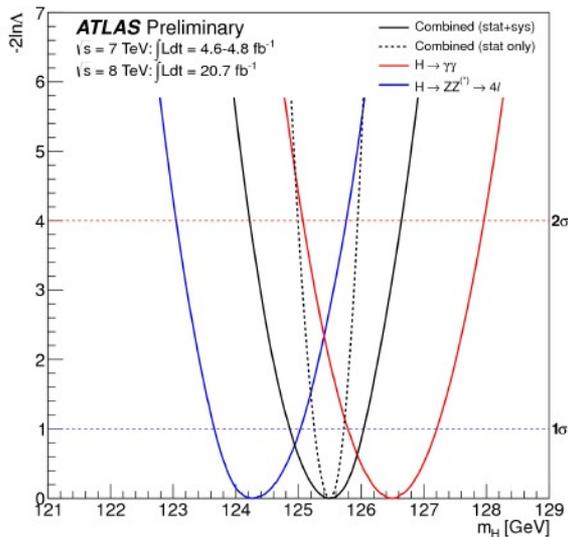
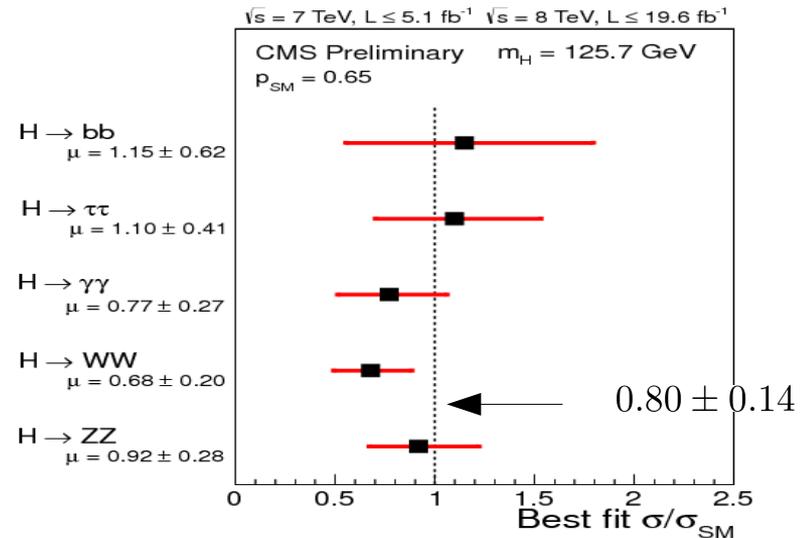
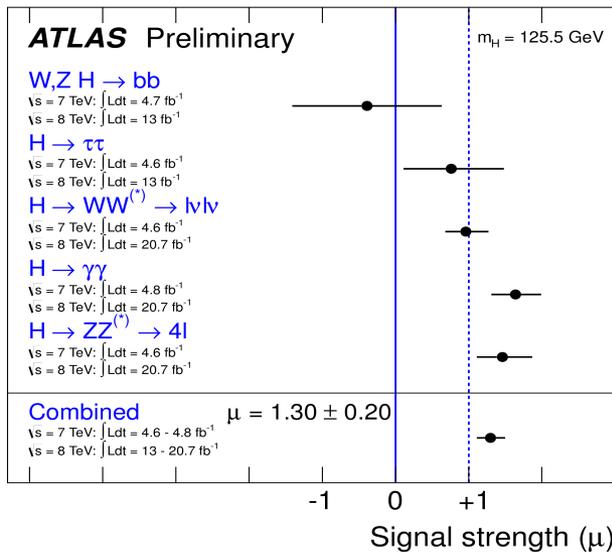
NP: white + colored

# The present: LHC 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2012 news



Clear evidence of a new particle  
 with properties compatible with those of the SM Higgs boson

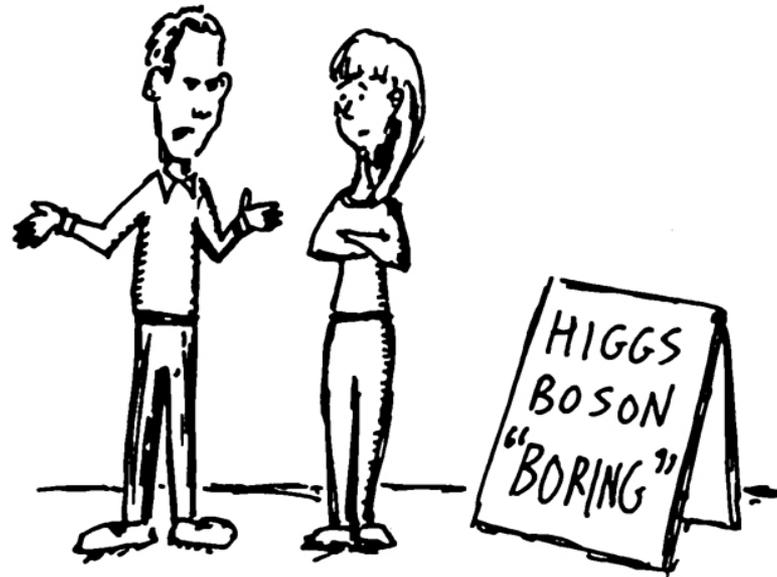
# The present: LHC Studying the properties of the new particle



$$M_h = 125.5 \pm 0.2(\text{stat}) \pm_{-0.6}^{+0.5}(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_h = 125.7 \pm 0.3(\text{stat}) \pm 0.3(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV}$$

# Implications of $M_h \sim 125$ GeV



WELL, WHAT DID YOU EXPECT  
FROM A PARTICLE WITH NO SPIN?

# Reversing the heavy Higgs argument

Specific type of NP could allow a heavy Higgs in the EW fit (“conspiracy”).  
Take

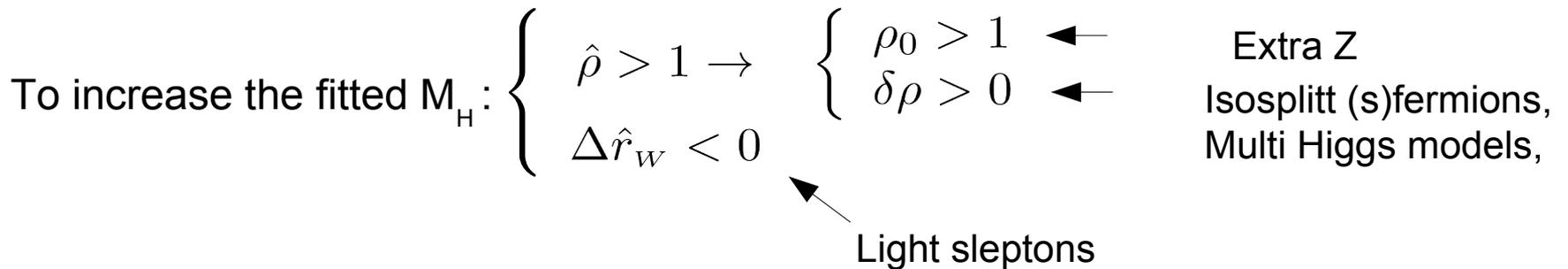
$$\hat{\rho} = \rho_0 + \delta\rho \quad (\rho_0^{\text{SM}} = 1, \delta\rho \leftrightarrow (\epsilon_1, T))$$

$$\Delta\hat{r}_W \leftrightarrow (\epsilon_3, S)$$

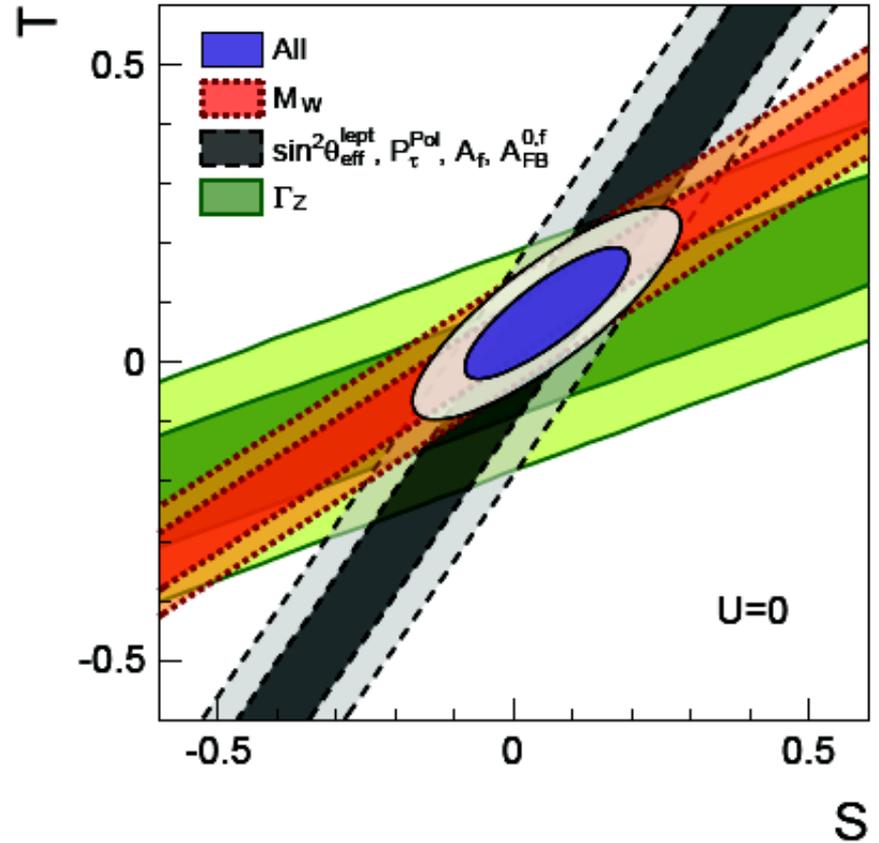
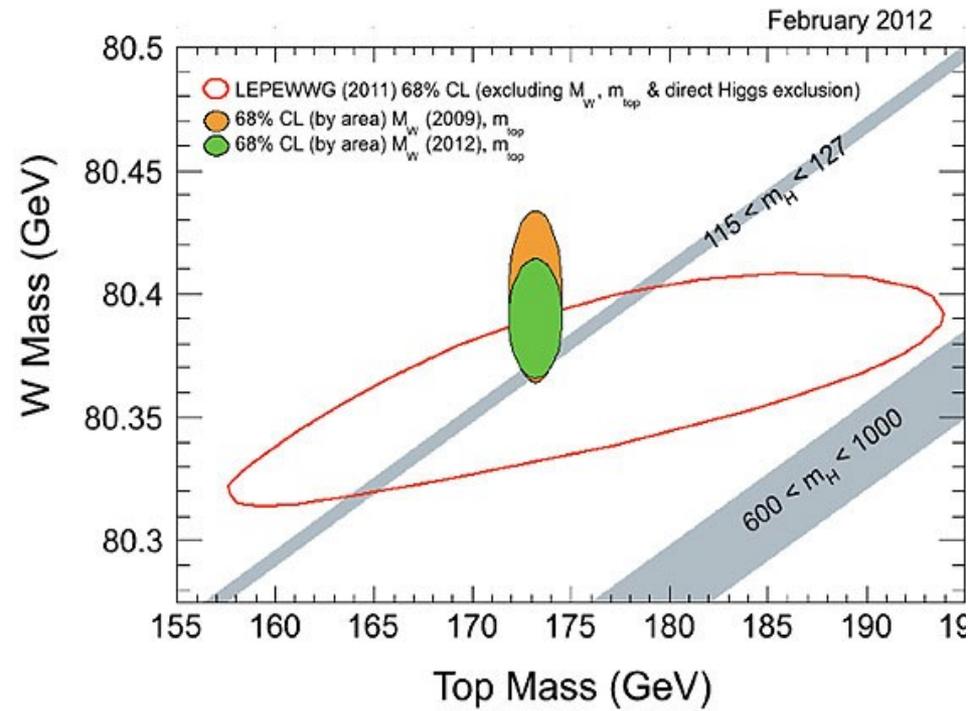
$$\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept} \sim \frac{1}{2} \left\{ 1 - \left[ 1 - \frac{4A^2}{M_Z^2 \hat{\rho} (1 - \Delta\hat{r}_W)} \right]^{1/2} \right\}$$

$$\sim (\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept})^\circ + c_1 \ln \left( \frac{M_H}{M_H^\circ} \right) + c_2 \left[ \frac{(\Delta\alpha)_h}{(\Delta\alpha)_h^\circ} - 1 \right] - c_3 \left[ \left( \frac{M_t}{M_t^\circ} \right)^2 - 1 \right] + \dots$$

$$c_i > 0$$



NP (if there) seems to be of the decoupling type



Ciuchini, Franco, Mishima, Silvestrini (13)

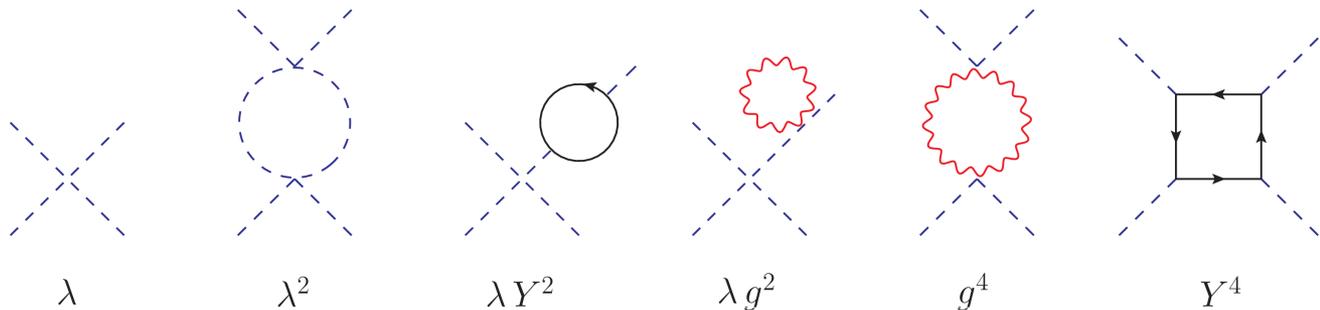
# (Meta)Stability bound

Quantum corrections to the classical Higgs potential can modify its shape

$$V^{class}(\phi) = -\frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 + \lambda\phi^4 \longrightarrow V^{eff} \approx -\frac{1}{2}m^2(\mu)\phi^2(\mu) + \lambda(\mu)\phi^4(\mu) \sim \lambda(\mu)\phi^4(\mu)$$

  $\phi \sim \mu \gg v$

$\lambda$  runs



$$\frac{d\lambda}{d\ln\mu} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left[ +24\lambda^2 + \lambda(4N_c Y_t - 9g^2 - 3g'^2) - 2N_c Y_t^4 + \frac{9}{8}g^4 + \frac{3}{8}g'^4 + \frac{3}{4}g^2 g'^2 + \dots \right]$$

$M_H$  large:  $\lambda^2$  wins

$$\lambda(M_t) \rightarrow \lambda(\mu) \gg 1$$

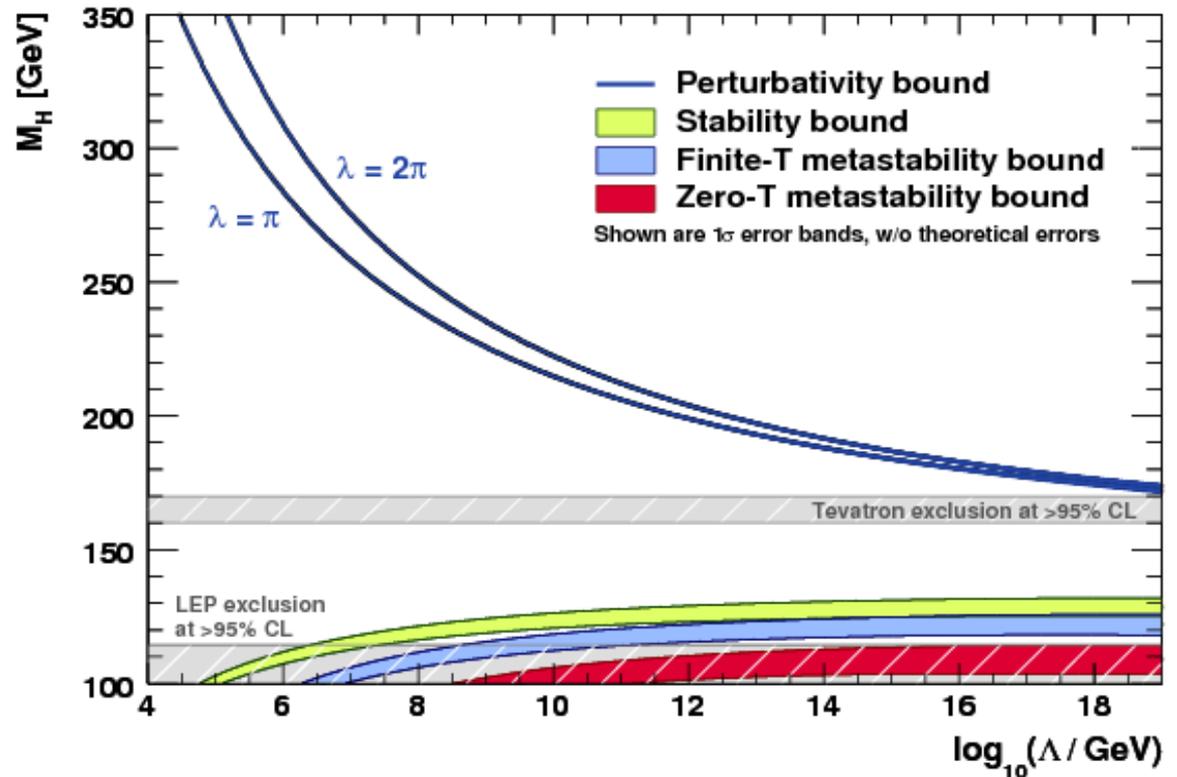
non-perturbative regime, Landau pole

$M_H$  small:  $-Y_t^4$  wins

$$\lambda(M_t) \rightarrow \lambda(\mu) \ll 1$$

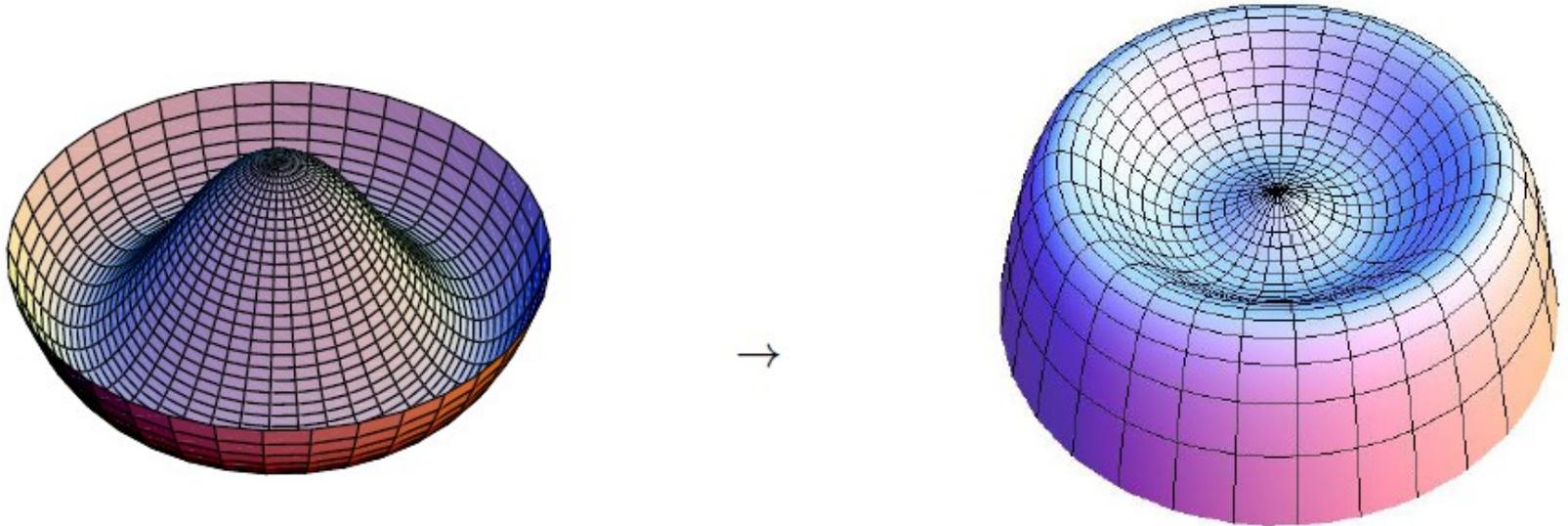
$M_H \sim 125\text{-}126$  GeV:  $-Y_t^4$  wins  
no problem with the Landau  
pole

Running depends on  
 $M_t, \alpha_s \dots$



$M_H \sim 125\text{-}126$  GeV:  $-Y_t^4$  wins:  $\lambda(M_t) \sim 0.14$  runs towards smaller values and can eventually become negative. If so the potential is either unbounded from below or can develop a second (deeper) minimum at large field values

# Illustrative

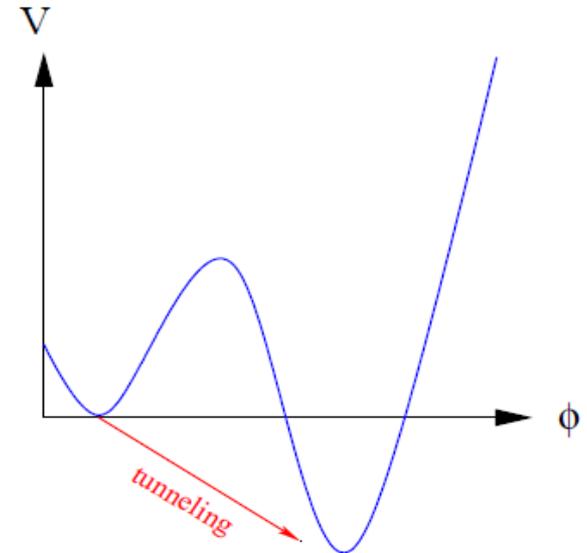


If your mexican hat turns out to be a dog bowl you have a problem...

from A. Strumia

## The problem

There is a transition probability between the false and true vacua



It is really a problem ?

It is a problem that must be cured via the appearance of New Physics at a scale below that where the potential become unstable ONLY if the transition probability is smaller than the life of the universe.

**Metastability condition:** if  $\lambda$  becomes negative provided it remains small in absolute magnitude the SM vacuum is unstable but sufficiently long-lived compared to the age of the Universe

Transition probability:  $p \sim e^{-\frac{8\pi^2}{3|\lambda|}}$

# Vacuum stability at NNLO

- Two-loop effective potential  
(complete) Ford, Jack, Jones 92,97; Martin (02)
- Three-loop beta functions  
gauge Mihaila, Salomon, Steinhauser (12)  
Yukawa, Higgs Chetyrkin, Zoller (12, 13,); Bednyakov et al. (13)
- Two-loop threshold corrections at the weak scale  
 $y_t$ : gauge x QCD Bezrukov, Kalmykov, Kniehl, Shaposhnikov (12)  
 $\lambda$ : Yuk x QCD, Bezrukov et al. (12), Di Vita et al. (12)  
SM gaugeless Di Vita, Elias-Miro', Espinosa, Giudice, Isidori, Strumia, G.D. (12)

Dominant theory uncertainty on the Higgs mass value that ensures vacuum stability comes from the residual missing two-loop threshold corrections for  $\lambda$  at the weak scale

Full SM two-loop threshold corrections to  $\lambda$ ,  $y_t$  and  $m$

Buttazzo, Giardino, Giudice, Sala, Salvio, Strumia, G.D. (13)



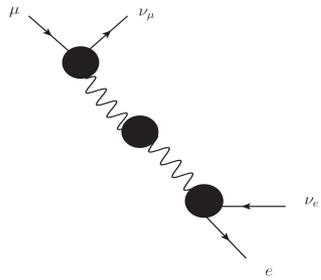
$\lambda(\mu)$  in terms of  $G_\mu$ ,  $\alpha(M_Z)$ ,  $M_h$ ,  $M_t$ ,  $M_Z, M_w$  (pole masses)

$$\lambda(\mu) = \frac{G_\mu}{\sqrt{2}} M_h^2 - \delta\lambda^{(1)}(\mu) - \delta\lambda^{(2)}(\mu)$$

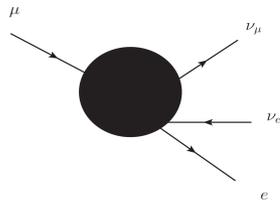
Sirlin, Zucchini (86)

$$\frac{G_\mu}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2v_0^2} (1 + \Delta r_0)$$

$$\delta\lambda^{(2)}(\mu) = \frac{G_\mu}{\sqrt{2}} M_h^2 \left\{ -\frac{\Delta r_0^{(1)}}{M_h^2} \left[ M_h^2 \Delta r_0^{(1)} + \frac{3T^{(1)}}{2v_{\text{ren}}} + \text{Re} \Pi_{hh}^{(1)}(M_h^2) \right] \right. \\ \left. + \Delta r_0^{(2)} + \frac{1}{M_h^2} \left[ \frac{T^{(2)}}{v_{\text{ren}}} + \text{Re} \Pi_{hh}^{(2)}(M_h^2) \right] \right\}_{\text{fin}} + \Delta_\lambda$$



analytical



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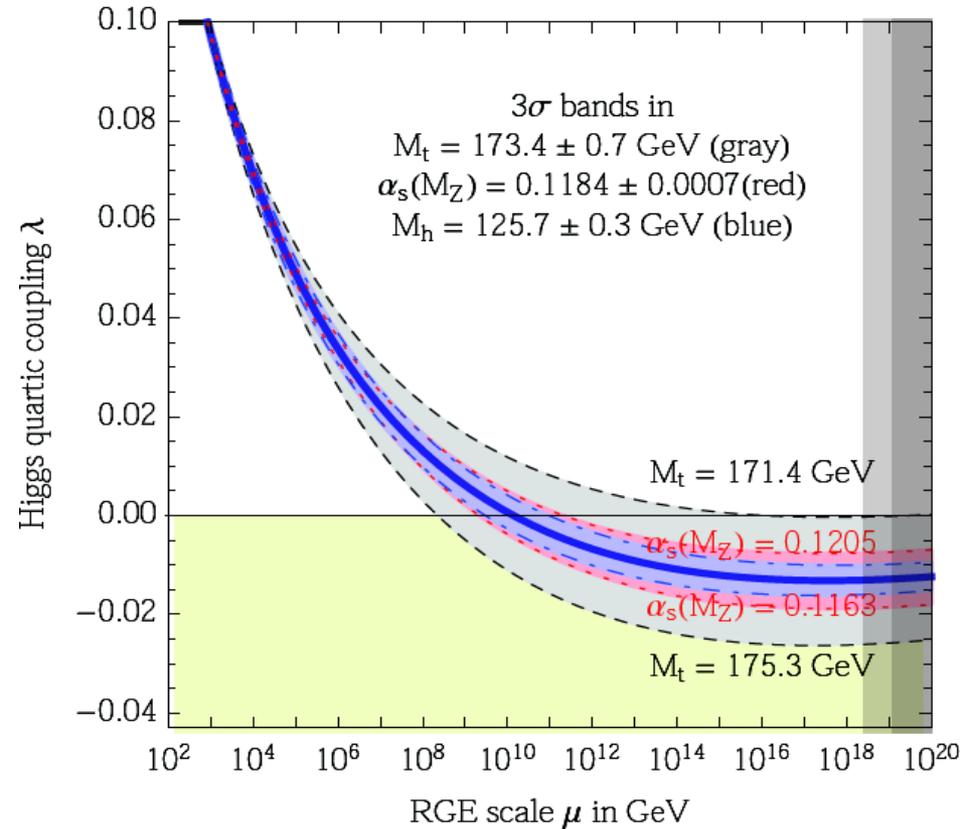
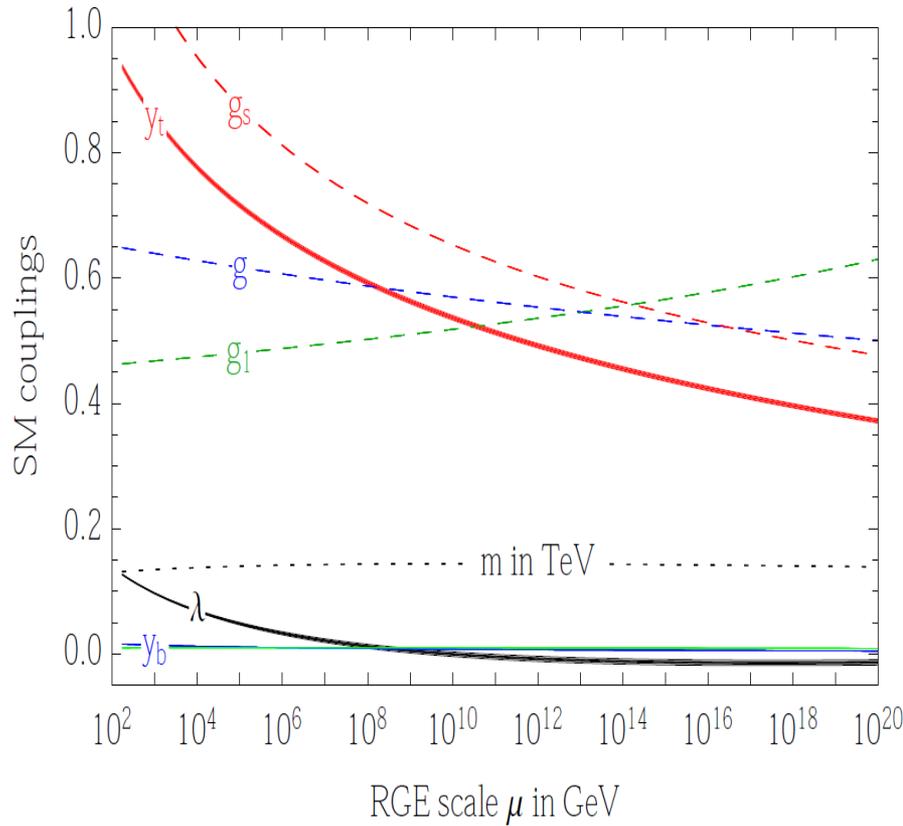
numerical,  
Martin's loop functions

Martin (02,03)

$$\delta\lambda_{SM}^{(2)}(\mu = M_t) = -\frac{9.545}{(4\pi)^4},$$

$$\delta\lambda_{G.L.}^{(2)}(\mu = M_t) = -\frac{9.605}{(4\pi)^4}$$

$$\lambda(\mu = M_t) = 0.12709 + 0.00206 \left( \frac{M_h}{\text{GeV}} - 125.66 \right) - 0.00004 \left( \frac{M_t}{\text{GeV}} - 173.15 \right) \pm 0.00035_{\text{th}}$$

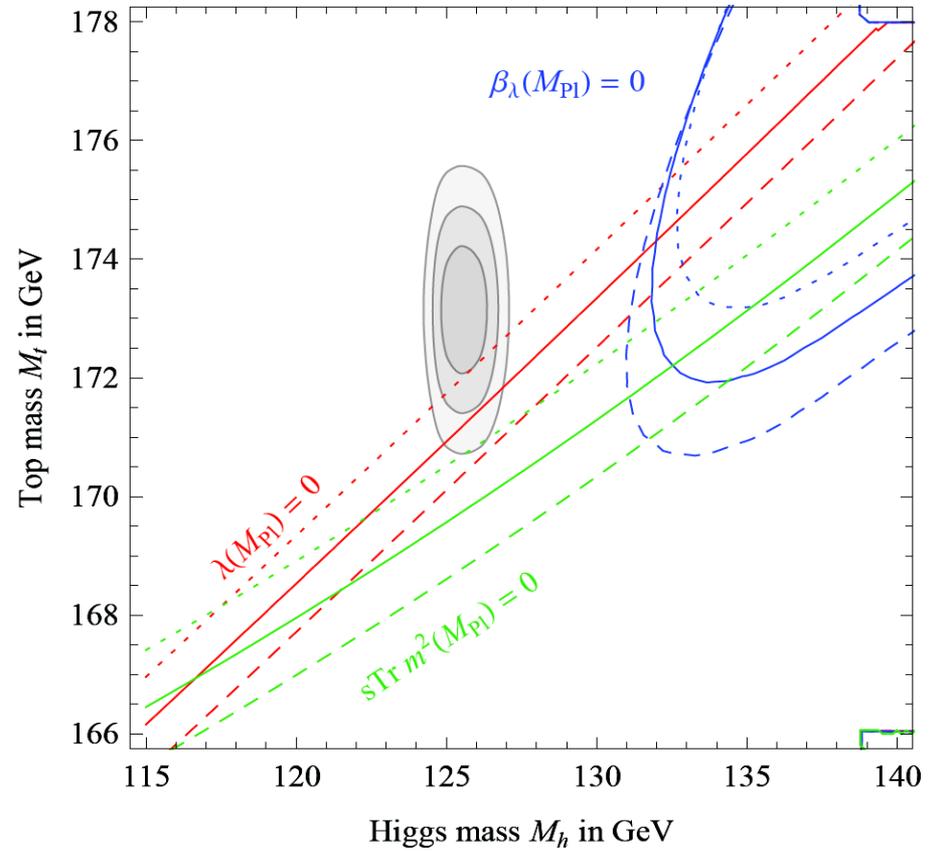
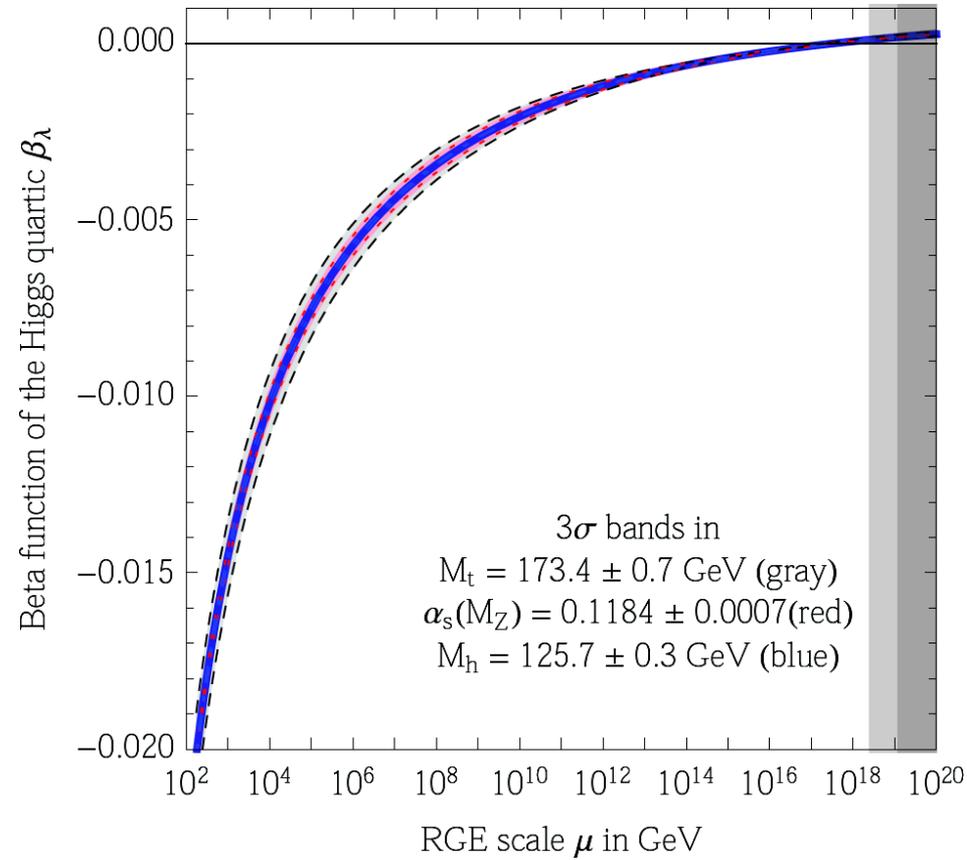


Full stability is lost at  $\Lambda \sim 10^{10}-10^{11}$  GeV but  $\lambda$  never becomes too negative

$$\lambda(M_{Pl.}) = -0.0128 + 0.0010 \left( \frac{M_h - 125.66 \text{ GeV}}{0.34 \text{ GeV}} \right) - 0.0043 \left( \frac{M_t - 173.35 \text{ GeV}}{0.65 \text{ GeV}} \right) + 0.0018 \left( \frac{\alpha_s(M_Z) - 0.1184}{0.0007} \right)$$

Both  $\lambda$  and  $\beta_\lambda$  are very close to zero around the Planck mass

Are they vanishing there?



$$\lambda(M_{Pl})=0 \rightarrow M_t \sim 171 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{Veltman's condition} \rightarrow M_t \sim 169 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_t = 173.4 \pm 0.7 \text{ GeV}$$

Pole mass

## Top pole vs. $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass

Is the Tevatron number really the “pole” (what is?) mass?  
Monte Carlo are used to reconstruct the top pole mass from its decays products that contain jets, missing energy and initial state radiation.

$M_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}$  can be extracted from total production cross section

$$M_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(M_t) = 163.3 \pm 2.7 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow M_t = 173.3 \pm 2.8 \text{ GeV}$$

Alekhin, Djouadi, Moch, 12

Consistent with the standard value albeit with a larger error.

**N.B.**

Fermion masses are parameters of the QCD Lagrangian, not of the EW one, Yukawas are.

$\overline{\text{MS}}$  masses are gauge invariant objects in QCD, not in EW, Yukawas are.

The vacuum is not a parameter of the EW Lagrangian. Its definition is not unique:

- Minimum of the tree-level potential

→  $M_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}$  g.i. but large EW corrections in the relation pole- $\overline{\text{MS}}$  mass (  $\sim M_t^4$  )

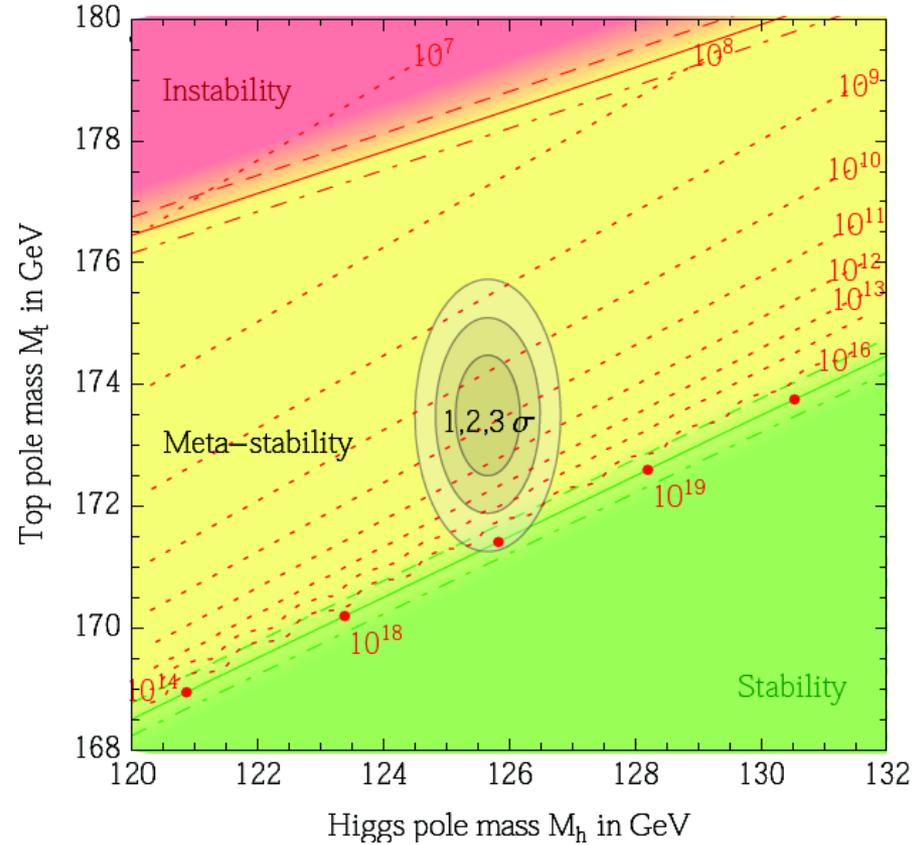
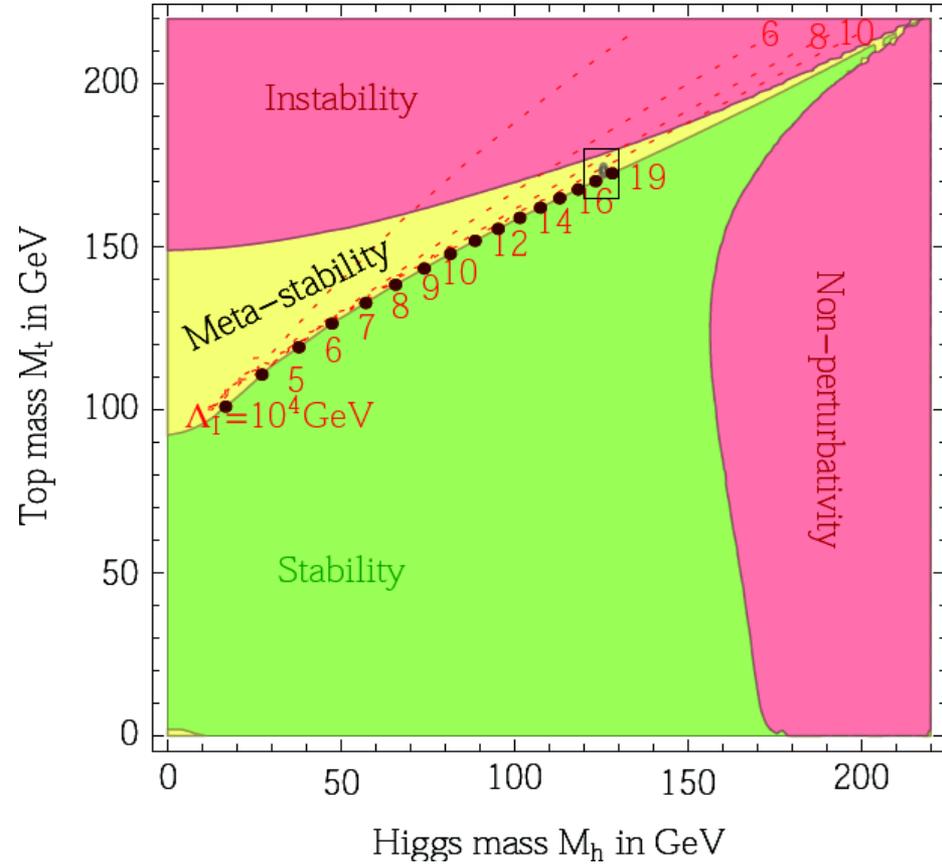
Jegerlehner, Kalmykov, Kniehl, 12

But direct extraction of  $M_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}$  requires EW correction

- Minimum of the radiatively corrected potential

→  $M_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}$  not g.i. (problem?  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  mass is not a physical quantity )  
no large EW corrections in the relation pole- $\overline{\text{MS}}$  mass

# SM phase diagram



We live in a metastable universe close to the border with the stability region.

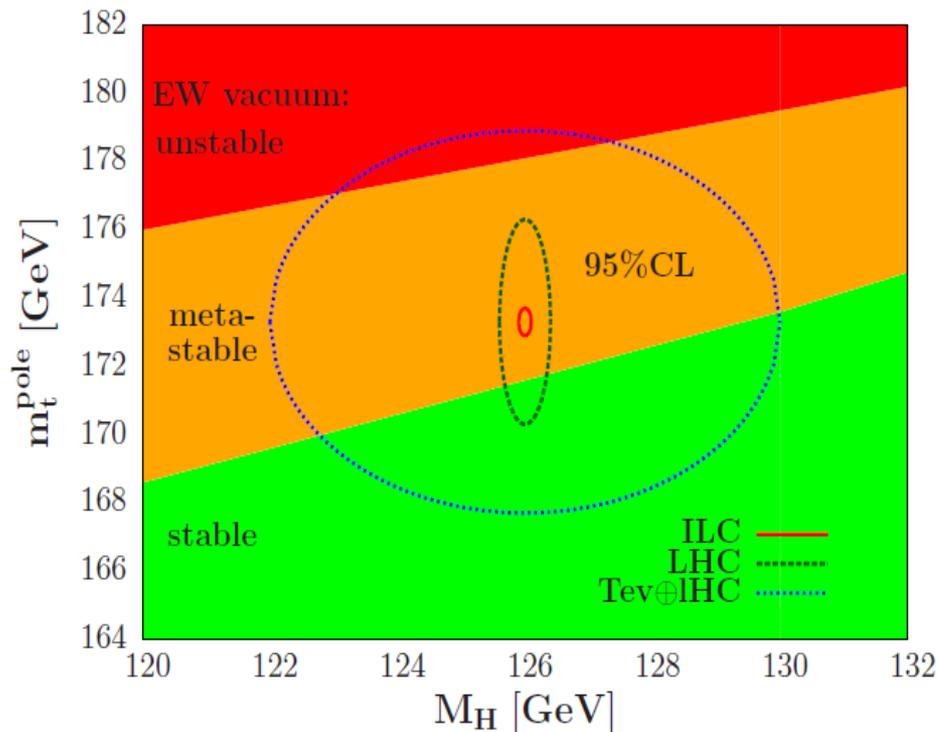
Stability condition:

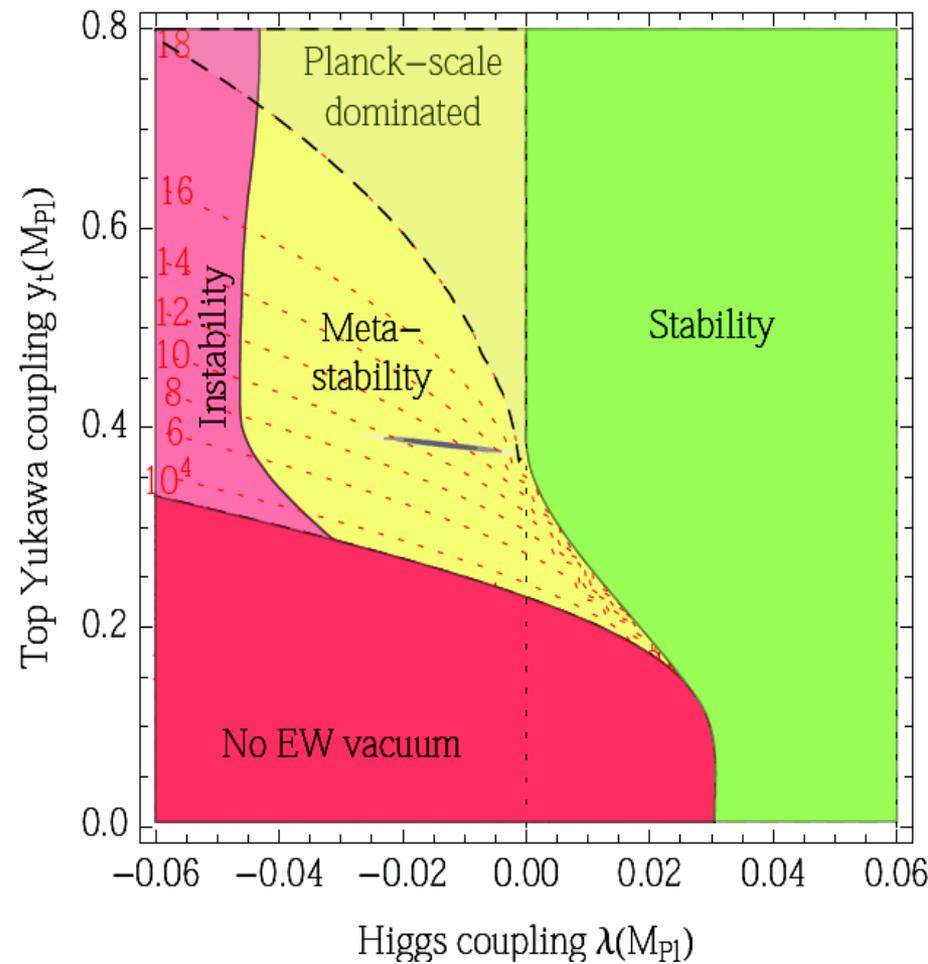
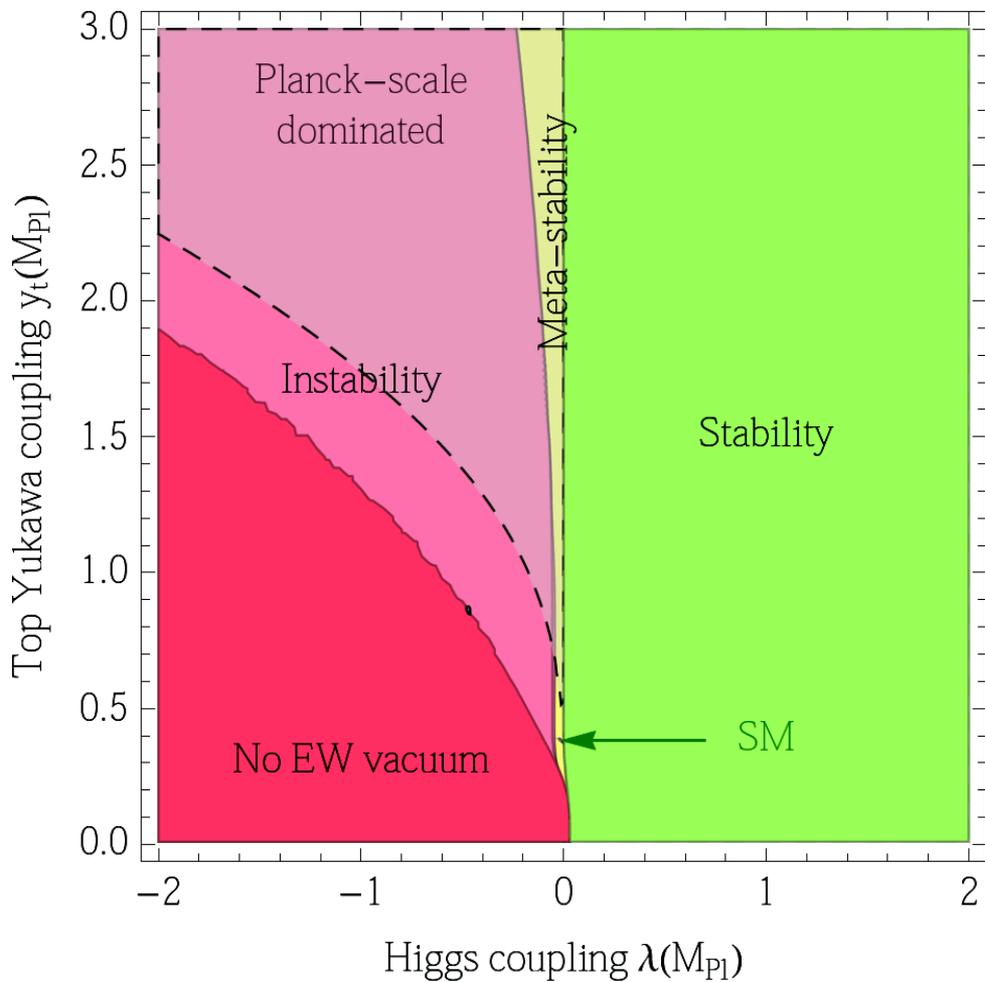
$$\frac{M_h}{\text{GeV}} > 129.6 + 1.3 \left( \frac{M_t - 173.35 \text{ GeV}}{0.65 \text{ GeV}} \right) - 0.5 \left( \frac{\alpha_s(M_Z) - 0.1184}{0.0007} \right) \pm 0.3_{\text{pert.}} \pm 0.6_{\text{non-pert.}}$$

$$M_t < (171.36 \pm 0.15_{\text{pert.}} \pm 0.30_{\text{non-pert.}} \pm 0.25_{\alpha_s} \pm 0.17_{M_h}) \text{ GeV}$$

reduced

Type of error	Estimate of the error	Impact on $M_h$	
$M_t$	experimental uncertainty in $M_t$	$\pm 1.4$ GeV	
$\alpha_s$	experimental uncertainty in $\alpha_s$	$\pm 0.5$ GeV	
<b>Experiment</b>	<b>Total combined in quadrature</b>	<b><math>\pm 1.5</math> GeV</b>	
$\lambda$	scale variation in $\lambda$	<del><math>\pm 0.7</math> GeV</del>	
$h_t$	$\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$ correction to $M_t$	$\pm 0.6$ GeV	
$h_t$	QCD threshold at 4 loops	$\pm 0.3$ GeV	
RGE	EW at 3 loops + QCD at 4 loops	<del><math>\pm 0.2</math> GeV</del>	
<b>Theory</b>	<b>Total combined in quadrature</b>	<del><b><math>\pm 1.0</math> GeV</b></del>	<b><math>\pm 0.7</math> GeV</b>





$\lambda(M_{Pl})$  and  $y_t(M_{Pl})$  almost at the minimum of the funnel  
An accident or deep meaning?

# The MSSM Higgs sector

Higgs sector:  $H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} H_1^0 \\ H_1^- \end{pmatrix}, H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} H_2^+ \\ H_2^0 \end{pmatrix} \implies h, H, A, H^\pm$

$\beta, \alpha$

**Higgs masses:** predicted at the tree level in terms of  $M_A, \tan \beta, M_h < M_Z$

Including radiative corrections: dependence on all SUSY(-breaking) parameters ( $A_t, A_b, \mu \dots$ )

$$M_h \lesssim 135 \text{ GeV} \xrightarrow{\text{decoupling}} h \text{ SM-like}$$

$$M_{A,H,H^\pm} \sim 100 \dots \text{TeV} \quad M_A \sim M_H \sim M_{H^\pm} > \mathcal{O}(200 \text{ GeV})$$

$\phi$	$g_{u\bar{u}}^\phi$	$g_{d\bar{d}}^\phi$	$g_{VV}^\phi$
$h$	$\cos \alpha / \sin \beta \rightarrow 1$	$-\sin \alpha / \cos \beta \rightarrow 1$	$\sin(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 1$
$H$	$\sin \alpha / \sin \beta \rightarrow 1 / \tan \beta$	$\cos \alpha / \cos \beta \rightarrow \tan \beta$	$\cos(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 0$
$A$	$1 / \tan \beta$	$\tan \beta$	$0$

Large  $\tan \beta$

$$g_{d\bar{d}}^\phi \uparrow$$

decoupling

$$g_{d\bar{d}}^\phi \rightarrow \frac{0}{0}$$

delayed decoupling

## How easy is to get $M_H \sim 125$ GeV in the MSSM ?

$$M_h^2 \simeq M_Z c_{2\beta}^2 + \frac{3 m_t^4}{4 \pi^2 v^2} \left[ \ln \left( \frac{M_S^2}{m_t^2} \right) + \frac{X_t^2}{M_S^2} \left( 1 - \frac{X_t^2}{12 M_S^2} \right) \right] + \dots$$



SUSY breaking parameters

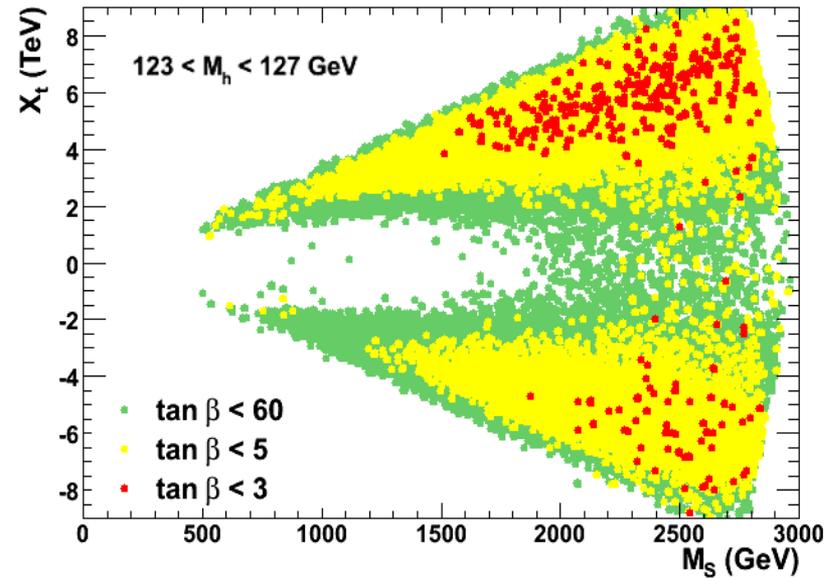
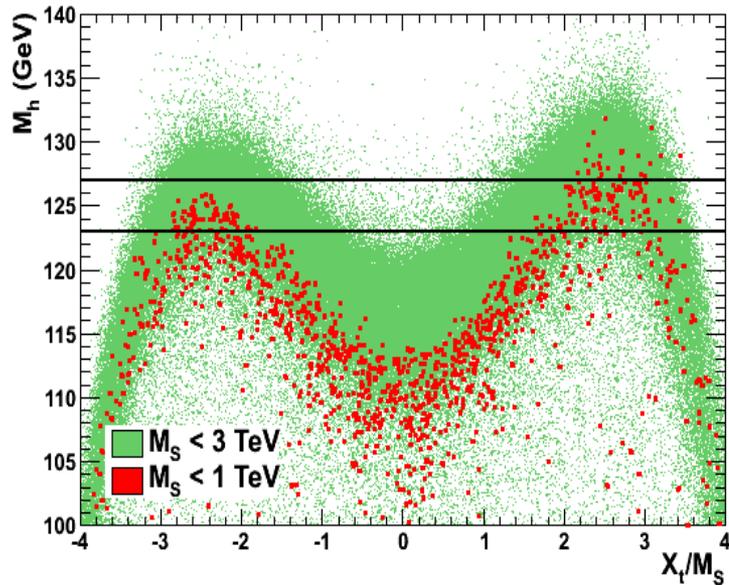
$$X_t = A_t - \mu \cot \beta, \quad M_S = \sqrt{M_{\tilde{t}_1} M_{\tilde{t}_2}}$$

To get  $M_H \sim 125$  GeV:

- Large  $\tan \beta$ ,  $\tan \beta > 10$  (increase the tree-level)
- Heavy stops, i.e. large  $M_S$  (increase the ln)
- Large stop mixing, i.e. large  $X_t$

The more assumptions we take on the mechanism of SUSY-breaking, the more difficult becomes to get  $M_H \sim 125$  GeV

**pMSSM:** minimal assumptions on SUSY-breaking parameters



Arbey et al., 2011

**22** input parameters varying in the domains:

$$1 \leq \tan \beta \leq 60, \quad 50 \text{ GeV} \leq M_A \leq 3 \text{ TeV}, \quad -9 \text{ TeV} \leq A_f \leq 9 \text{ TeV},$$

$$50 \text{ GeV} \leq m_{\tilde{f}_L}, m_{\tilde{f}_R}, M_3 \leq 3 \text{ TeV}, \quad 50 \text{ GeV} \leq M_1, M_2, |\mu| \leq 1.5 \text{ TeV}.$$

Costrained scenarios:

(no) GMSB:

$$\tan \beta, \text{sign}(\mu), M_{\text{mess}}, N_{\text{mess}}, \Lambda$$

(no) AMSB:

$$\tan \beta, \text{sign}(\mu), m_0, m_{3/2}$$

(yes) MSUGRA:

$$\tan \beta, \text{sign}(\mu), m_0, m_{1/2}, A_0$$

(no) no-scale:

$$m_0 \approx A_0 \approx 0$$

(yes) VCMSSM :

$$m_0 \approx -A_0$$

(no) NMSSM :

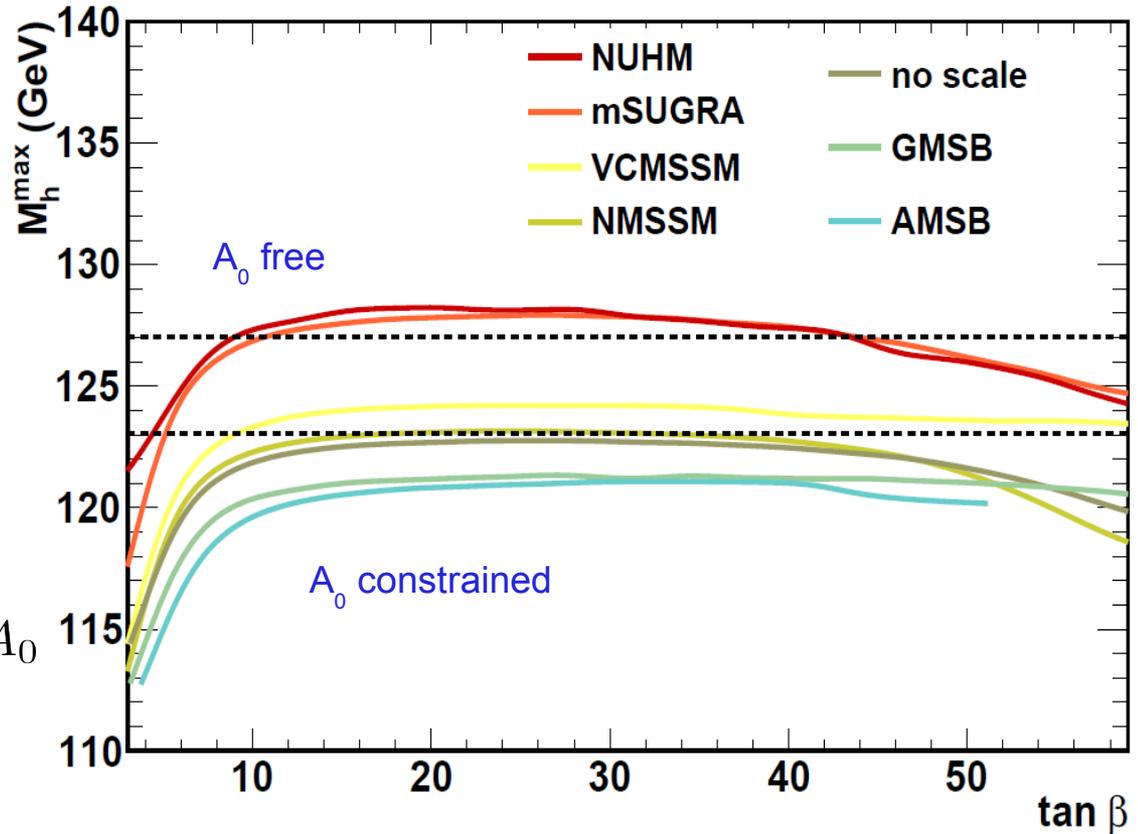
$$m_0 \approx 0,$$

$$A_0 \approx -1/4 m_{1/2}$$

(yes) NUHM:

non universal  $m_0$

mSUGRA:	$50 \text{ GeV} \leq m_0 \leq 3 \text{ TeV},$	$50 \text{ GeV} \leq m_{1/2} \leq 3 \text{ TeV},$	$ A_0  \leq 9 \text{ TeV};$
GMSB:	$10 \text{ TeV} \leq \Lambda \leq 1000 \text{ TeV},$	$1 \leq M_{\text{mess}}/\Lambda \leq 10^{11},$	$N_{\text{mess}} = 1;$
AMSB:	$1 \text{ TeV} \leq m_{3/2} \leq 100 \text{ TeV},$	$50 \text{ GeV} \leq m_0 \leq 3 \text{ TeV}.$	



Arbey et al.,  
2011

# $M_h \sim 125 \text{ GeV}$ and the SUSY breaking scale

MSSM variant:  $(\tilde{m}: \text{Supersymmetry breaking scale})$

High-Scale Supersymmetry

All SUSY particle with mass  $\tilde{m}$

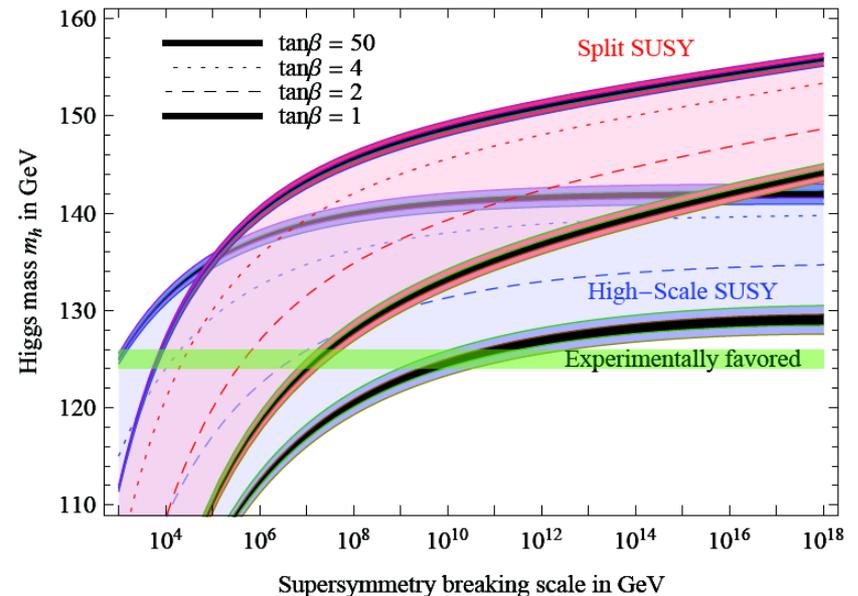
Split SUSY:

Susy fermions at the weak scale

Susy scalars with mass  $\tilde{m}$

$$\lambda(\tilde{m}) = \frac{1}{8} [g^2(\tilde{m}) + g'^2(\tilde{m})] \cos^2 2\beta$$

Predicted range for the Higgs mass



Supersymmetry broken at a very large scale is disfavored

# Conclusions

SM is quite OK

$M_h = 125/6$  GeV is a very intriguing value.

The SM potential is metastable, at the “border” of the stability region.  
Model-independent conclusion about the scale of NP cannot be derived.  
 $\lambda$  is small at high energy: NP (if exists) should have a *weakly interacting* Higgs particle

$\lambda$  and  $\beta_\lambda$  are very close to zero around the Planck mass: deep meaning or coincidence?

In the MSSM  $M_h = 125/6$  it is at the “border” of the mass-predicted region.  
CMSSM models suffer. However, if SUSY exists its scale of breaking cannot be too high.