

**After the discovery  
of  
a Higgs boson(-like) particle  
—  
a theorist's perspective**

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Nov. 2011

13 Dec. 2011

4 July 2012

8 Oct. 2013

HCP 2011:  
Exclusion of  
a wide Higgs  
mass range,  
some theorists'  
thought:  
"complete  
exclusion until  
the end of 2011"

ATLAS & CMS  
report an excess  
of events:  
Too early to  
draw conclusions

ATLAS & CMS  
announce the  
discovery of  
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particle

Nobel prize:  
for the theoret.  
discovery of  
a mechanism  
that contributes  
to our  
understanding  
of the origin of  
mass ...

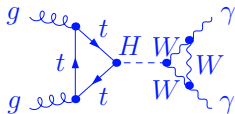
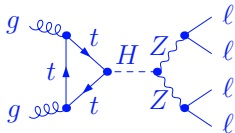
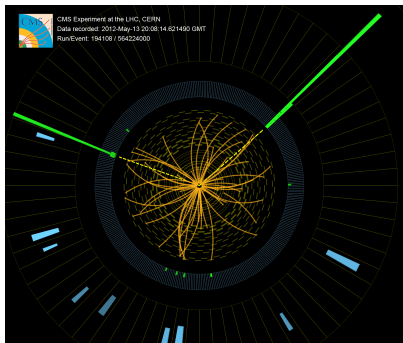
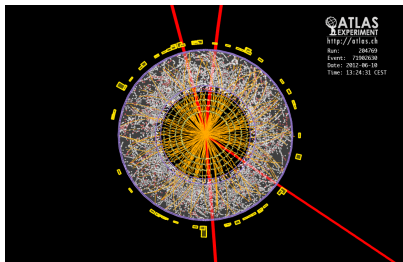
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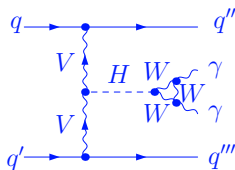
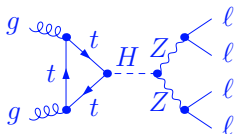
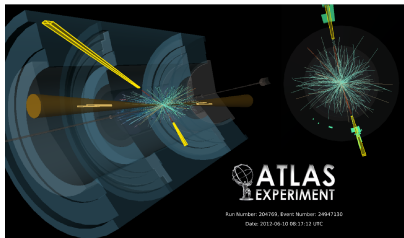
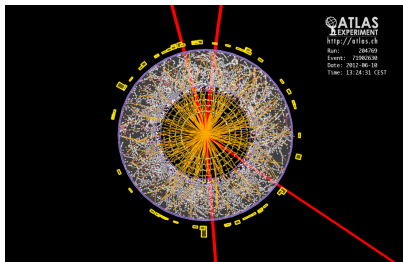
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expectation from precision measurements:  $\mathcal{O}(100 \text{ GeV})$   
(e.g. mass of the  $W$  boson)

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- **CP?** **Moriond '13:** CP-even: compatible

spin = 0

CP-odd: Exclusion with  $\gtrsim 98\%$  confidence level

# Is it “the” Higgs boson?

- **Couplings?** so far compatible with the Standard Model:

- Measurement of further production and decay channels:

$$pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW$$

(compatible with SM)

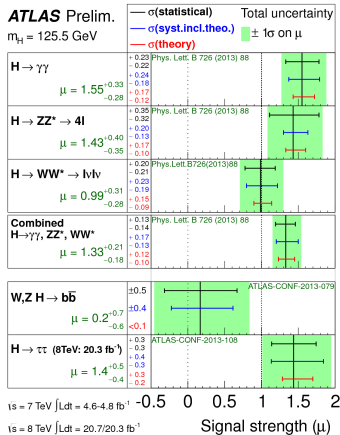
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## Signal strengths:



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Other models:  
Higgs mass  
can be given by  
other parameters.

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a mixture of  
CP-odd and  
-even?

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- **Couplings?** so far compatible

- Measurement of production

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(compatible)

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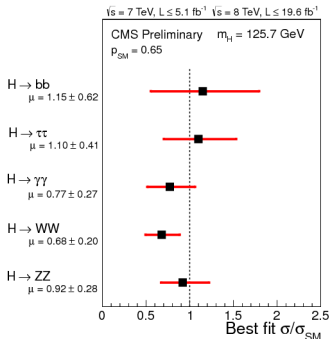
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Could be affected by an extended Higgs sector or other unknown particles: how much?

Standard Model:

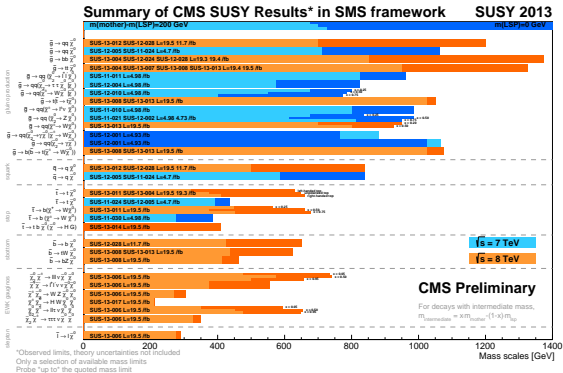
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# Further Results of the LHC

## Supersymmetric partner particles:

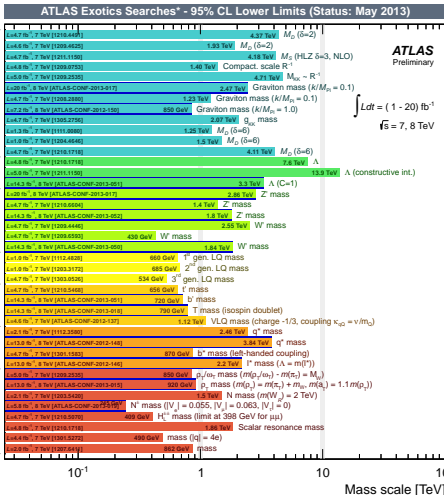
- not found yet
- strongest constraints:
  - colour charged particles: gluinos and first generation of squarks
  - signature: jets and missing energy
- much less constrained:
  - ★ top squarks
  - ★ purely electroweak particles
  - signature: three charged leptons



Note specific assumptions:  
simplified models, ...

# Further Results of the LHC

- Further particles:
- not found yet



# Reasons for further investigations

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- Main question: What is the underlying theory?
- Reasons to search for beyond the Standard Model Physics

From experiments:

- ★ dark matter
- ★ matter-antimatter asymmetry in the universe
- ★ neutrino oscillations

From theory:

- ★ grand unification
- ★ embedding of gravity
- ★ Higgs mass  $M_H$ : sensitive to physics at high energy scales  $\Lambda$   
quantum corrections:  $\delta M_H^2 \sim \Lambda^2$  (hierarchy problem)

# Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM)

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**MSSM:** ★ Extension of the Standard Model (SM)

★ Further symmetry:

**Supersymmetry (SUSY):**

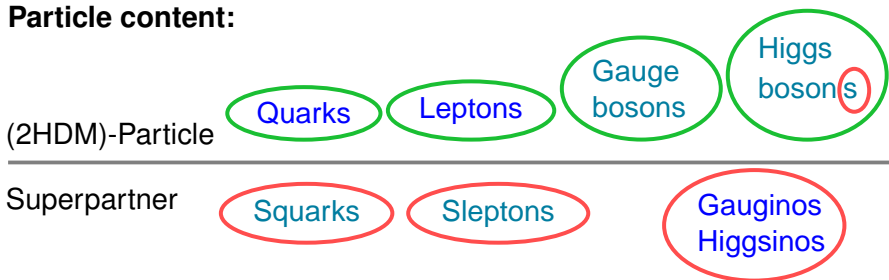
$$Q|\text{Boson}\rangle = |\text{Fermion}\rangle, \quad Q|\text{Fermion}\rangle = |\text{Boson}\rangle$$

$Q$  = supersymmetry generator

- Recipe:**
- Standard Model particles + 2<sup>nd</sup> Higgs doublet (2HDM)  
(Generation of fermion masses, anomaly cancelations)
  - Superpartners
  - Explicit soft SUSY-breaking  $\Rightarrow$  many new (complex) parameters  
(Else:  $\text{mass}_{\text{superpartner}} = \text{mass}_{\text{2HDM-particle}}$   $\leftarrow$  exp. excluded)
  - R-Parity: discrete symmetry

# Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM)

## Particle content:



Particles with same quantum numbers can mix:

charged Higgsinos and Gauginos → **Charginos**

neutral Higgsinos and Gauginos → **Neutralinos**

# Higgs Sector at Born Level

Higgs potential:

gauge couplings

$H_d, H_u$ : Higgs doublets

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$$+ (m_1^2 H_d^+ H_d + m_2^2 H_u^+ H_u) \quad \text{soft breaking terms}$$

$$+ (\epsilon_{ij} |m_{12}^2| e^{i\varphi_{m_{12}^2}} H_d^i H_u^j + h.c.)$$

- one phase in the Higgs potential:  $\varphi_{m_{12}^2}$

- phase difference of Higgs doublets  $\xi$

non-vanishing phases:

$\Rightarrow$  maybe  
CP- or T-violation?

} (Time reversal-operator is  
antiunitary

$\Rightarrow$  complex conjugation

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can be **rotated away**
- phase difference of Higgs doublets  $\xi$ :  
**vanishes** because of **minimum condition**

} **no CP violation**  
at Born level  
in the Higgs sector



# Higgs Sector at Born Level

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Physical mass eigenstates (at Born level):

- **5** Higgs bosons: 3 neutral  $H, h, A$ ; 2 charged  $H^\pm$

Masses of the Higgs bosons:

- **not** all independent:

often: Mass  $M_A$  or  $M_{H^\pm}$  (and  $\tan \beta$ ) as free parameter

$\tan \beta = \frac{v_2}{v_1}$ : ratio of the Higgs vac. expect. values

- **lightest** Higgs boson:  $h$

Upper theoretical Born mass bound:

$$M_h \leq M_Z = 91 \text{ GeV}$$

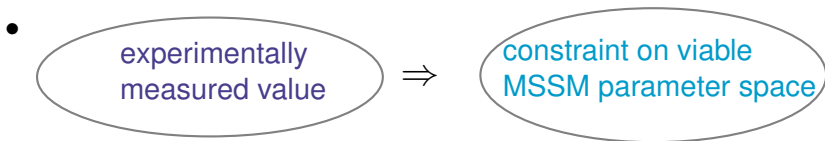
with **quantum corrections** of higher orders:  $M_h \lesssim 140 \text{ GeV}$

 **dependent on the MSSM parameters**

# Why a precise Higgs mass prediction?

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- Needed as consistent input for the calculation of cross sections and decay widths in the MSSM



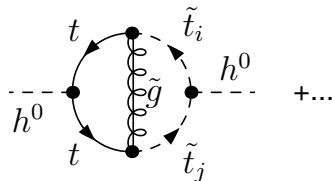
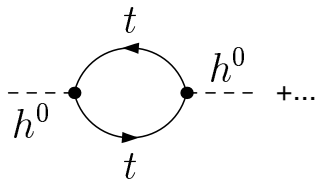
A precise theoretical prediction is needed to fully exploit this constraint:

$$\Delta M_H^{\text{exp.}} < 1 \text{ GeV} \quad \text{vs} \quad \Delta M_H^{\text{theory}} \approx 3 \text{ GeV}$$

- In the discussion of the amount of fine-tuning of the MSSM the precise theoretical prediction of the Higgs boson mass enters.

# Contributions to the Higgs boson masses

## Quantum corrections:

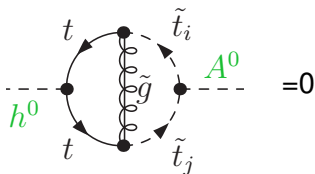


One-loop level  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t)$ :

$\alpha_t \sim (\text{top Yukawa coupl.})^2$

Two-loop level  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t \alpha_s)$ :

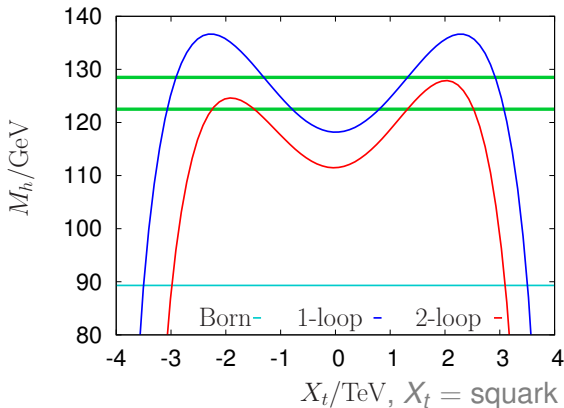
## Real parameters:



no mixing between CP-even  
and CP-odd states

$\Rightarrow$  Lightest Higgs boson is  
CP-even.

# Implications of a 125.5 GeV Higgs boson (MSSM)



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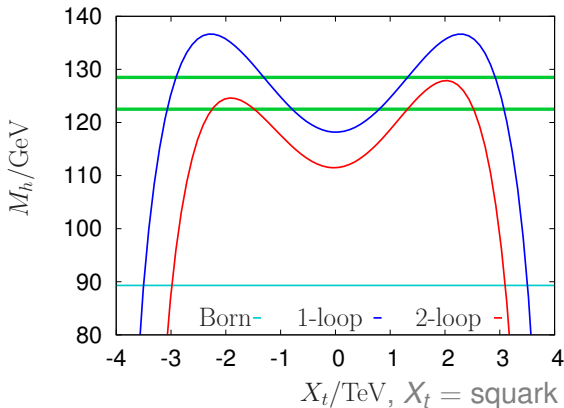
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- A  $125.5 \pm 3$  GeV mass constrains the parameter space but does not exclude the MSSM. (theory uncertainty  $\approx 3$  GeV)
- here: no known 3-loop contributions included [Martin; Harlander, Kant, Mihaila, Steinhauser]

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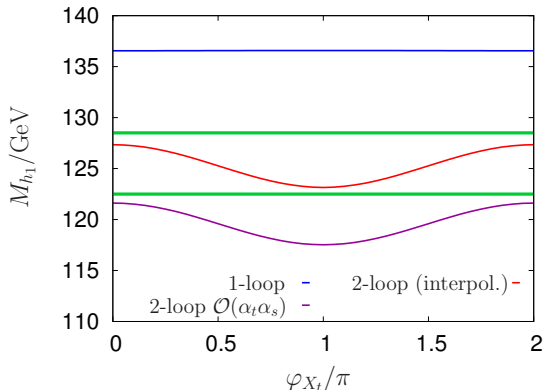
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For parameter scans, see e.g.

[Heinemeyer, Stål, Weiglein, arXiv:1112.3026;

Arbey, Battaglia, Djouadi, Mahmoudi, Quevillon, arXiv:1112.3028]

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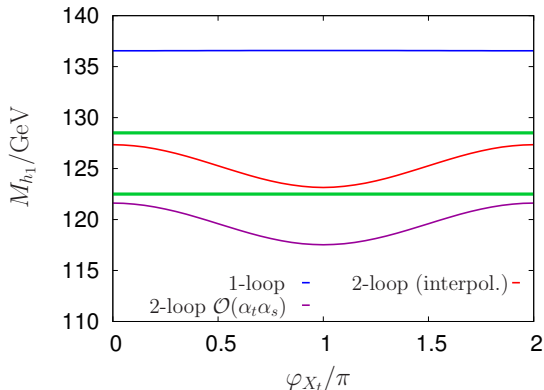
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To do: Implementation of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t^2)$  contr.

[Hollik, Passehr, arXiv:1401.8275]

# Higgs boson mass for large stop masses

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Prediction obtained via Feynman diagrammatic approach:

- + all **log** and **non-log** terms are taken into account  
at a **certain order** of perturbation theory
- possible appearance of **large logs**:

$$\Delta M_H \sim \log \frac{M_S}{m_t}$$

$M_S$ : SUSY particle mass scale

$m_t$ : top quark mass

- ⇒
- **good** prediction for **lower** SUSY mass scales
  - **no** reliable prediction for **large** SUSY mass scales



# Higgs boson mass for large stop masses

Other approach: Renormalization Group Equation (RGE) approach:

★ assume: all SUSY particles are heavy of order  $\sim M_S$ :

above  $M_S$ : MSSM

match at scale  $M_S$ :

below  $M_S$ : Standard Model

(as effective theory)

$$\lambda^{\text{MSSM}}(M_S) = \lambda^{\text{Standard Model}}(M_S)$$

quartic Higgs coupling

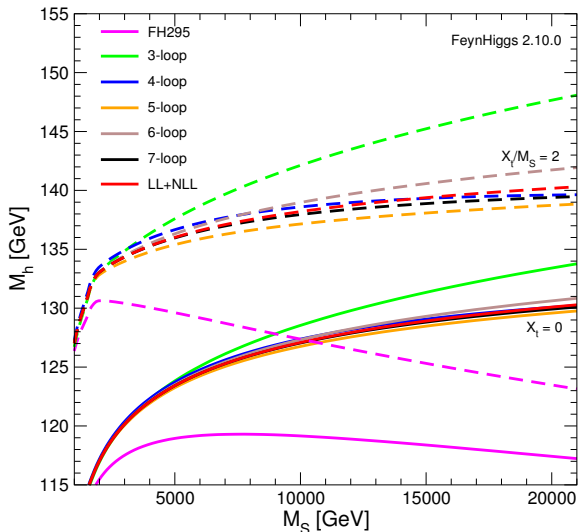
★ evolve  $\lambda$  to lower scale using Standard Model running (RGE)

★ the Higgs mass<sup>2</sup> is then  $M_h^2(m_t) = 2\lambda(m_t)v^2$      $v \approx 174$  GeV

⇒ logs resummed to all orders: good prediction for large SUSY masses

→ Combine both approaches (now: only for real parameters)

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Comparison of:

★ **old FeynHiggs**  
reliable up to  
 $M_s = \mathcal{O}(1\text{TeV})$

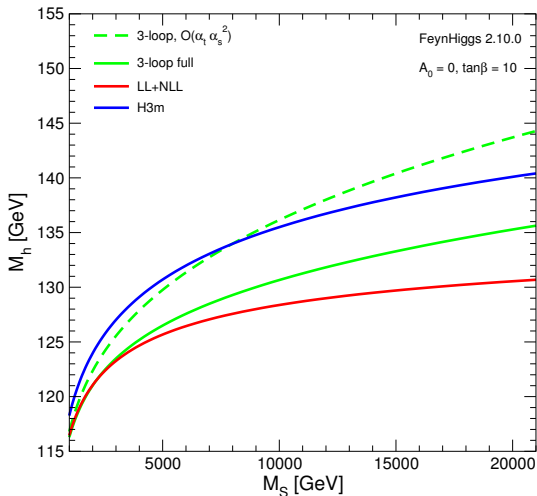
★ analyt. solution of RGE:  
**3-loop** ... 7-loop level:  
Logs of order  
 $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t \alpha_s^2, \alpha_t^2 \alpha_s, \alpha_t^3) \dots$

★ numerical solution:  
**LL+NLL**:  
logs resummed  
to all orders

$$M_A = M_2 = \mu = 1 \text{ TeV}, m_{\tilde{g}} = 1.6 \text{ TeV}, \tan \beta = 10$$

[T. Hahn, S. Heinemeyer, W. Hollik, H.R., G. Weiglein, arXiv:1312.4937]

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Comparison with H3m:

[Kant, Harlander, Mihaila,  
Steinhauser, arXiv:1005.5709]

3-loop:  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t \alpha_s^2)$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t^2 \alpha_s)$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t^3)$

- ★ only leading and next-to leading logs
- ★ single scale  $M_S$

H3m: ★ complete  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t \alpha_s^2)$  result

- ★ different scales

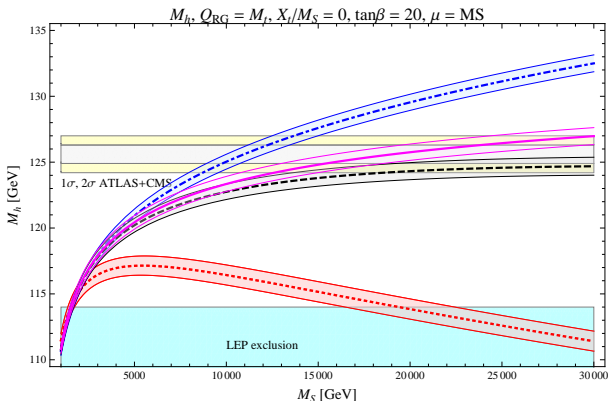
At 2-loop: different ren. schemes

CMSSM:  $m_0 = m_{1/2} = 200 \dots 15000$  GeV,  $A_0 = 0$ ,  $\tan\beta = 10$ ,  $\mu > 0$ ,  
spectra generation with `SoftSUSY` [Allanach, hep-ph/0104145]

# Higgs boson mass for large stop masses

Similar findings for large SUSY masses (pure RGE approach):

[Draper, Lee, Wagner, arXiv:1312.5743]



2-loop NNLL result

3-loop NNLL result

4-loop NNLL result

resummed result

Differences:

- 3-loop running for  $\lambda$
- 2-loop matching
- not yet implemented into a computer code

# Deviations from the Standard Model?

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[Frank Vincentz, <http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kleeblatt>; Uwe Vogel, <http://www.oldskoolman.de/>]

# Deviations from the Standard Model (SM)?

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Needed:

- precise predictions of the signal cross sections in the SM  
Calculation of higher-order corrections necessary
- precise determination of the background
- good error estimate  
(e.g. including possible errors originating from a contamination of control regions by events of unknown particles)

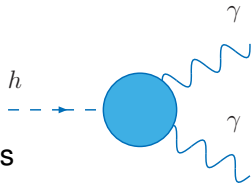
[Feigl, H.R., Zeppenfeld, arXiv:1205.3468]

# Deviations from the Standard Model (SM)?

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Where can they originate from?

- changes in loop-induced couplings due to unknown particles
- changes of couplings due to mixing effects in an enlarged Higgs sector
- changes due to additional decay into invisible particles
- changes due to two degenerate Higgs bosons



## Next-toMinimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (NMSSM)

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In the MSSM: Parameter  $\mu$  in the superpotential  $W$ ,  $W = \mu H_1 H_2 + \dots$

A priori: arbitrary value

But: Order of the electroweak/SUSY-breaking scale

In the NMSSM: Additional Higgs superfield singlet  $S$ :

$\mu$  is generated via a vacuum expectation value of the scalar Higgs singlet,  $W = \lambda S H_1 H_2 + \dots$ ,  $\lambda =$  new coupling

- 7 Higgs bosons:  $h_1, h_2, h_3, A_1, A_2, H^\pm$
- CP-violation in the Higgs sector possible already at Born level (complex parameters)
- Mass of the light CP-even MSSM-like Higgs boson can be larger than in the MSSM
- 5 neutralinos (4 neutralinos in the MSSM)



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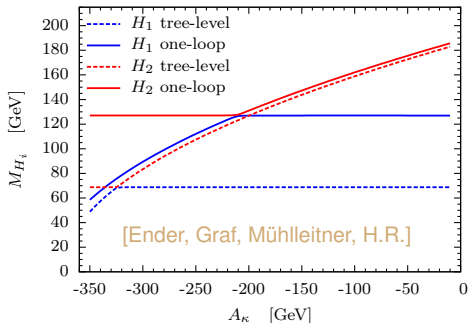


Illustration: Cross-over region of  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  at  $A_{\kappa} \approx -210$  GeV:

- Masses  $M_{H_i} \sim 125$  GeV
  - $H_1$  and  $H_2$  interchange their role
- trilinear, SUSY-breaking singlet coupling

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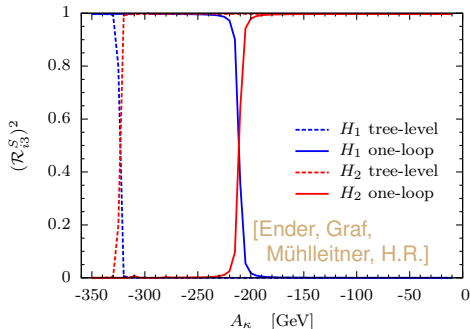


Illustration: Cross-over region of  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ : Masses  $\sim 125$  GeV

$A_{\kappa} < -210$  GeV:  $H_1$  singlet-like,  $H_2$  non-singlet like

$A_{\kappa} > -210$  GeV:  $H_1$  non-singlet like,  $H_2$  singlet-like

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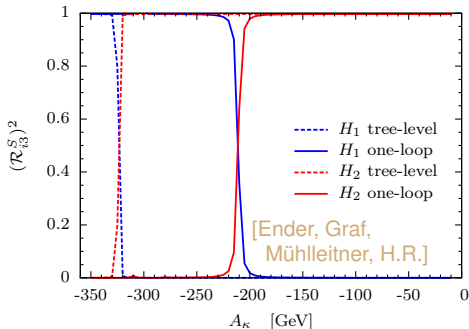


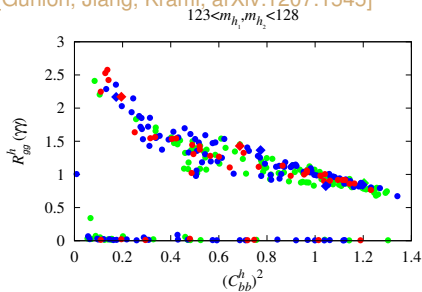
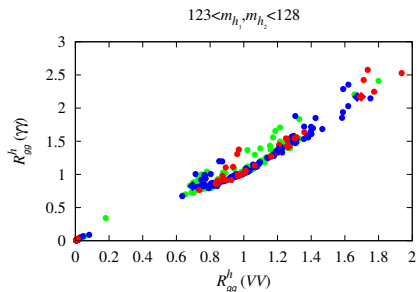
Illustration: • Higher-order corrections are necessary

- Implemented in `NMSSMCalc`: program for evaluation of mass spectra and decay widths (allows also for complex parameters)

[Baglio, Gröber,  
Mühlleitner, Nhung,  
H.R., Spira,  
Streicher, Walz]

# Degenerate Higgs bosons

[Gunion, Jiang, Kraml, arXiv:1207.1545]



Legend:  $m_{h_2} - m_{h_1} \leq 1$  GeV,  $1$  GeV  $< m_{h_2} - m_{h_1} \leq 2$  GeV,  
 $2$  GeV  $< m_{h_2} - m_{h_1} \leq 3$  GeV

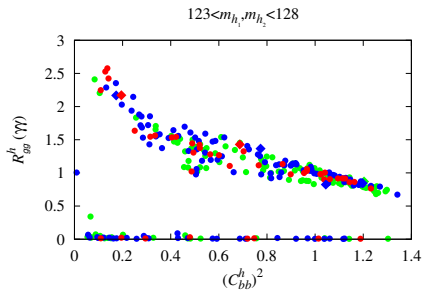
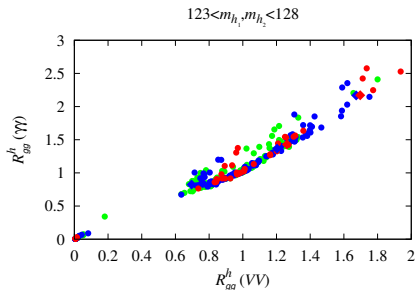
$$\text{Signal ratio: } R_{gg}^h(XX) = \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{\sigma(gg \rightarrow h_i) \text{BR}(h_i \rightarrow XX)}{\sigma^{\text{SM}}(gg \rightarrow h) \text{BR}^{\text{SM}}(h \rightarrow XX)}$$

with an effective SM Higgs mass

(Parameter scans with `NMSSMTools` [Ellwanger, Gunion, Hugonie])

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- Enhancement of the  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  channel by a factor of 1.5 possible without enhancing  $h \rightarrow VV$
- Enhancement of the  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  channel is generally achieved by reducing the average  $b\bar{b}$  coupling strength  $C_{bb}^h$

# Only a single Higgs boson discovery at the LHC?

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[Gupta, H.R., Wells, arXiv:1206.3560, arXiv:1305.6397]

If **no** beyond Standard Model (SM) physics is seen at the LHC:  
(related to electroweak symmetry breaking)

How large can deviations from the SM Higgs couplings be?

How precisely do we need to measure the Higgs couplings at least?

Which future collider and detectors?

# Only a single Higgs boson discovery at the LHC?

[Gupta, H.R., Wells, arXiv:1206.3560, arXiv:1305.6397]

No completely model independent answer possible:

- MSSM
- Mixed-in singlet model = Standard Model + exotic Higgs boson singlet  $S$ :

Scalar fields mix via  $|H_{SM}|^2 |S|^2$

[Schabinger, Wells, hep-ph/0509209;  
Bowen, Cui, Wells, hep-ph/0701035]

$\Rightarrow$  2 CP-even mass eigenstates: SM-like  $h$ , heavier  $H$   $c_h = \cos \theta_h$

$s_h = \sin \theta_h$

with couplings<sup>2</sup>  $g_h^2 = c_h^2 g_{SM}^2$  and  $g_H^2 = s_h^2 g_{SM}^2$   $\theta_h = \text{mix. angle}$

- Composite Higgs models: SM-like Higgs boson = pseudo-Goldstone:  
SM vector bosons and fermions + strong sector with Higgs multiplet  
in terms of an effective field theory  
for a strong interacting light Higgs (SILH) boson

[Guidice, Grojean, Pomarol,  
Rattazzi, hep-ph/0703164]

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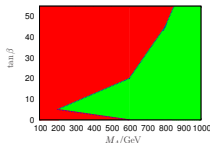
Take into account:

[Gupta, H.R., Wells, arXiv:1206.3560, arXiv:1305.6397]

- ★ **discovery potential** of the LHC  
for **further particles** related to electroweak symmetry breaking
- ★ constraints from **electroweak precision tests**

- **MSSM:**

Deviations constrained mainly by **discovery potential**



- **Mixed-in singlet model:**

Deviations constrained by **discovery potential**

**electroweak precision tests**

- **Composite Higgs models:**

Deviations constrained by **electroweak precision tests**



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Maximal deviations from the SM Higgs couplings? (no new physics at the LHC)

$ \Delta hVV $ c. to gauge bosons $V$	$ \Delta h\bar{t}t $ c. to top quarks $t$	$ \Delta h\bar{b}b $ c. to bottom quarks $b$	$ \Delta hhh $ triple Higgs coupl.
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MSSM	< 1%	3%	10%, 100%	2%, 15%
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Mixed-in Singlet	6%	6%	6%	18%
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Composite Higgs	8%	tens of %	tens of %	tens of %
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$\tan \beta > 20$       all other cases  
no superpartners      cases

⇒ a challenge for the future!

# Summary

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- Exciting times: **Discovery of a Higgs boson**
- Still exciting: What is **its true nature?**
- At the moment: **compatible with the Standard Model**
- **Constraints on the parameter space** of extension of the Standard Model (e.g. coming from the Higgs mass)
- Precise measurement of its couplings can help with the complete identification of the particle
- Program development:
  - ★ `FeynHiggs`: Higgs mass prediction for large stop masses improved
  - ★ `NMSSMCALC`: New program for the NMSSM Higgs masses/decay widths