

Exotic scalars and the Higgs to gamma - gamma rate

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Outline

1. Introduction: status of the Higgs searches with $(5+5)\text{fb}^{-1}$

As last December/Moriond

2. The Higgs portal and the Higgs phenomenology

- ◆ The several scalar representations
- ◆ Effects in the Higgs to gamma-gamma rate
- ◆ Possibility of hiding a heavy Higgs

3. Direct searches of exotic scalars

- ◆ Current LHC bounds on extra scalars



4. Conclusions

Based on:

„Exploring the Higgs portal with 10fb^{-1} at the LHC “

B. Batell, S. Gori, L.T. Wang arXiv: 1112.5180

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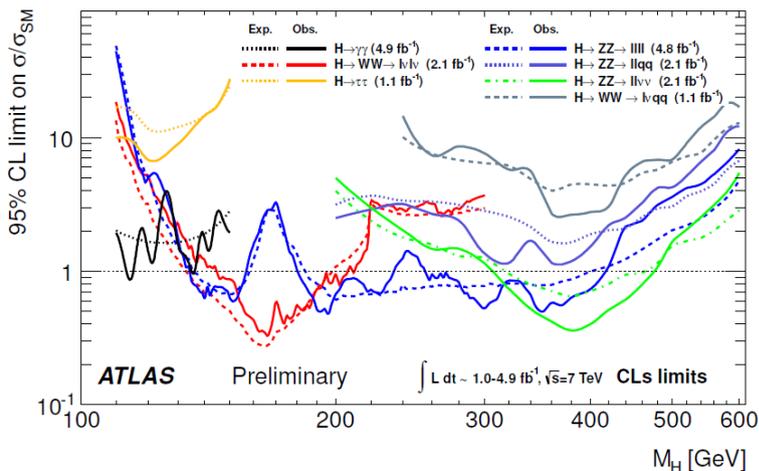
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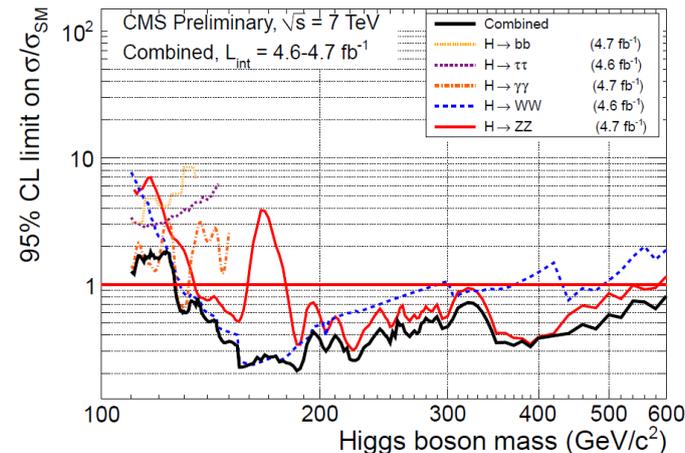
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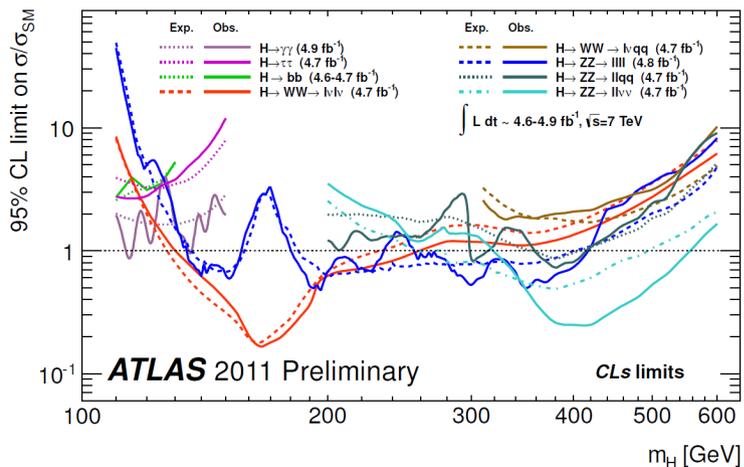


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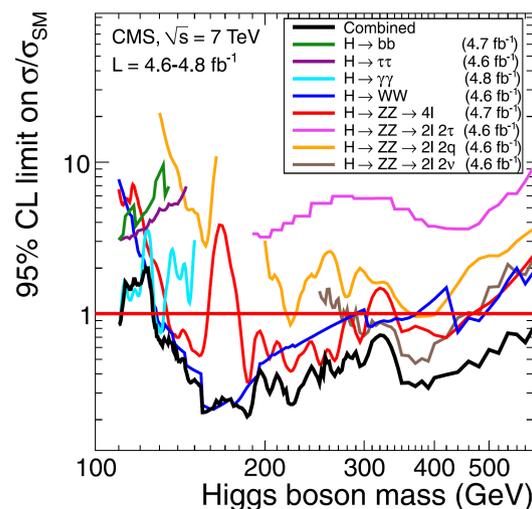


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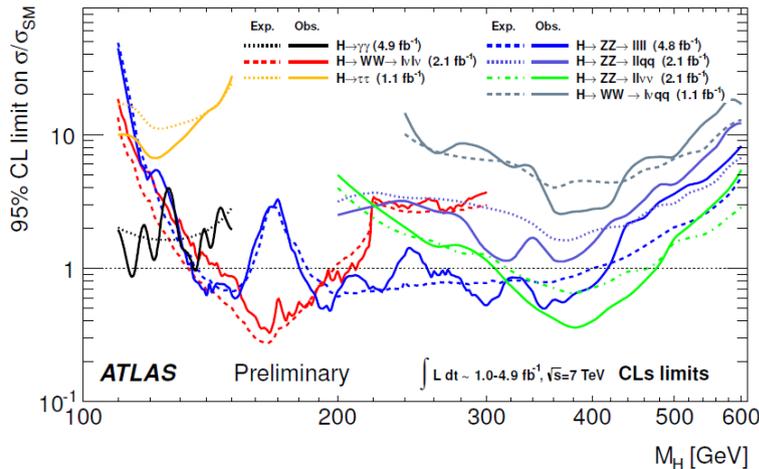
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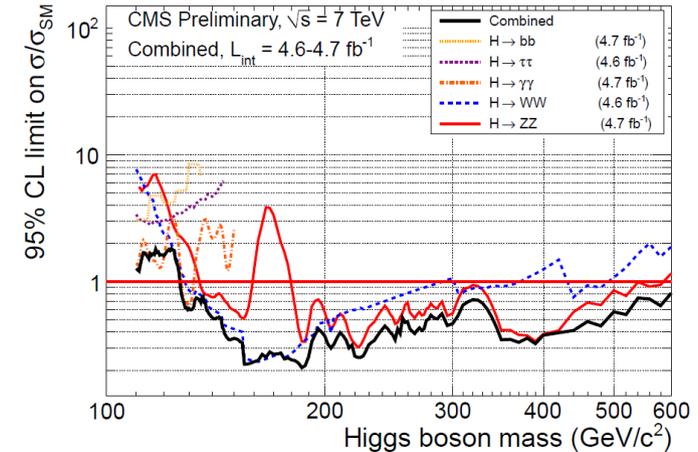
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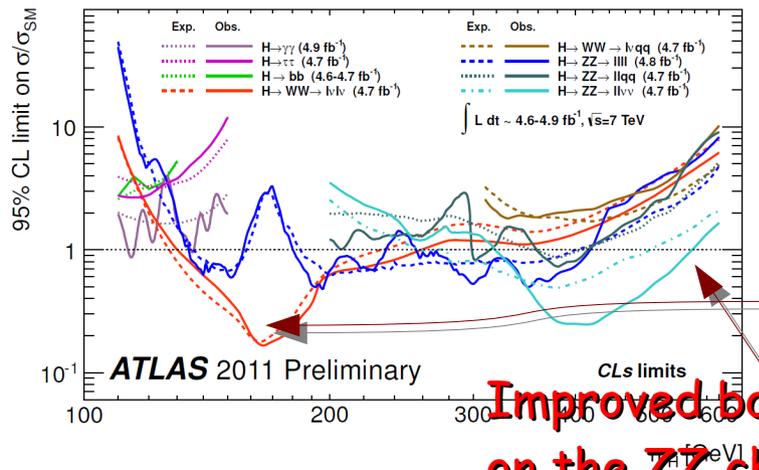


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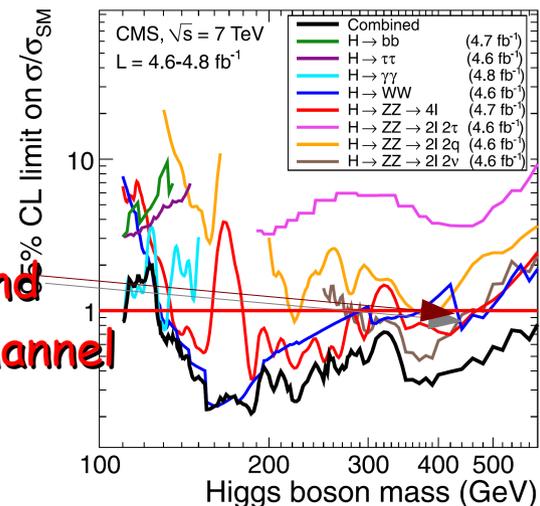
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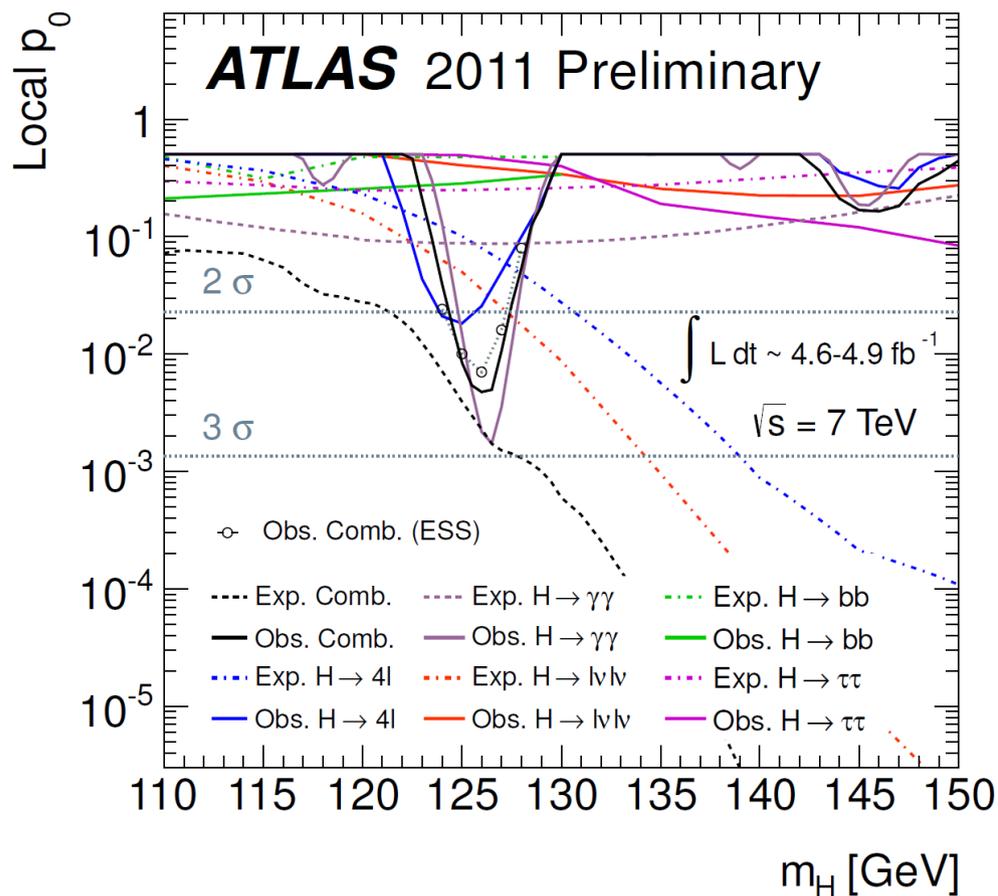
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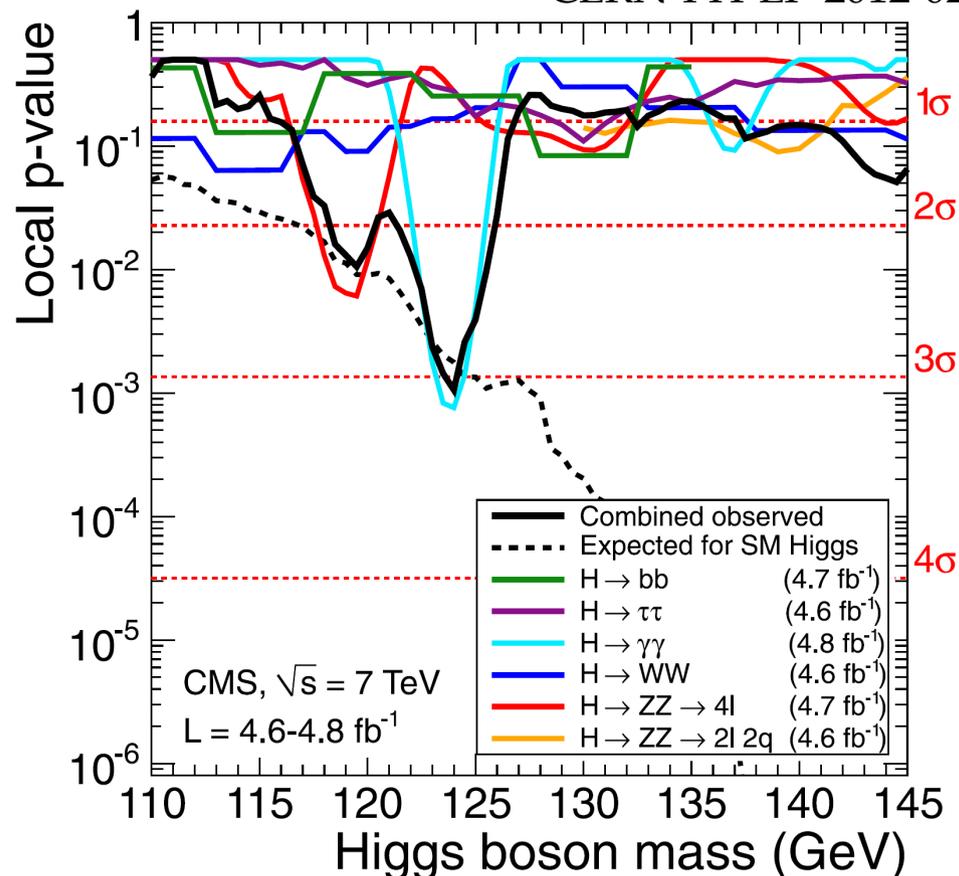
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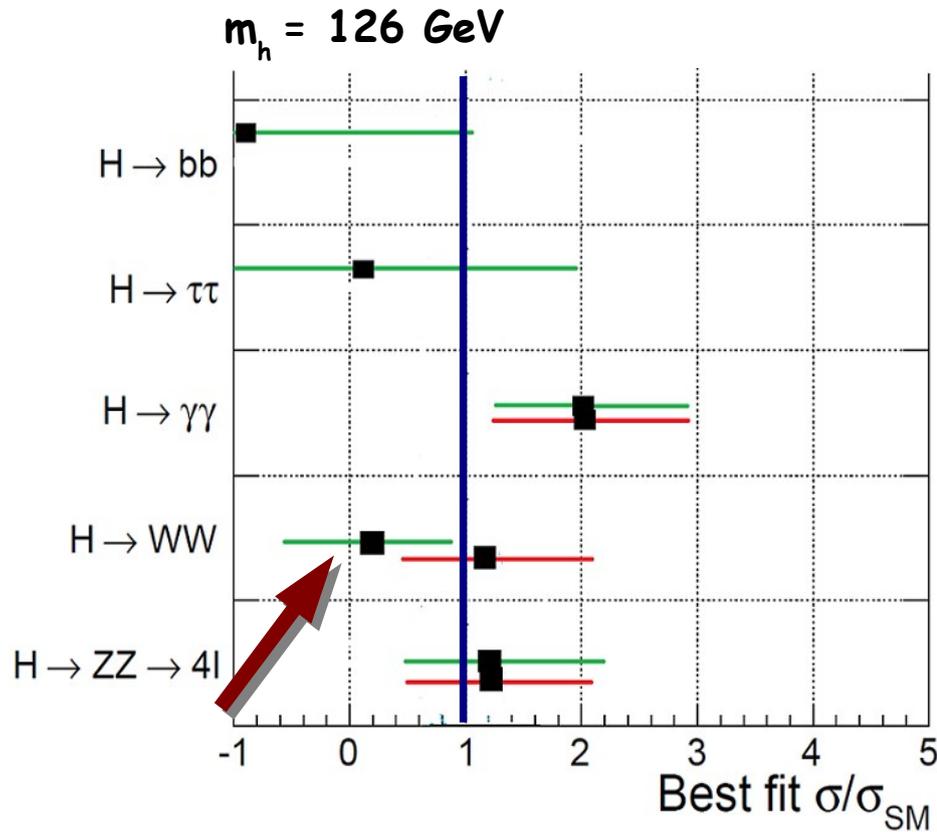


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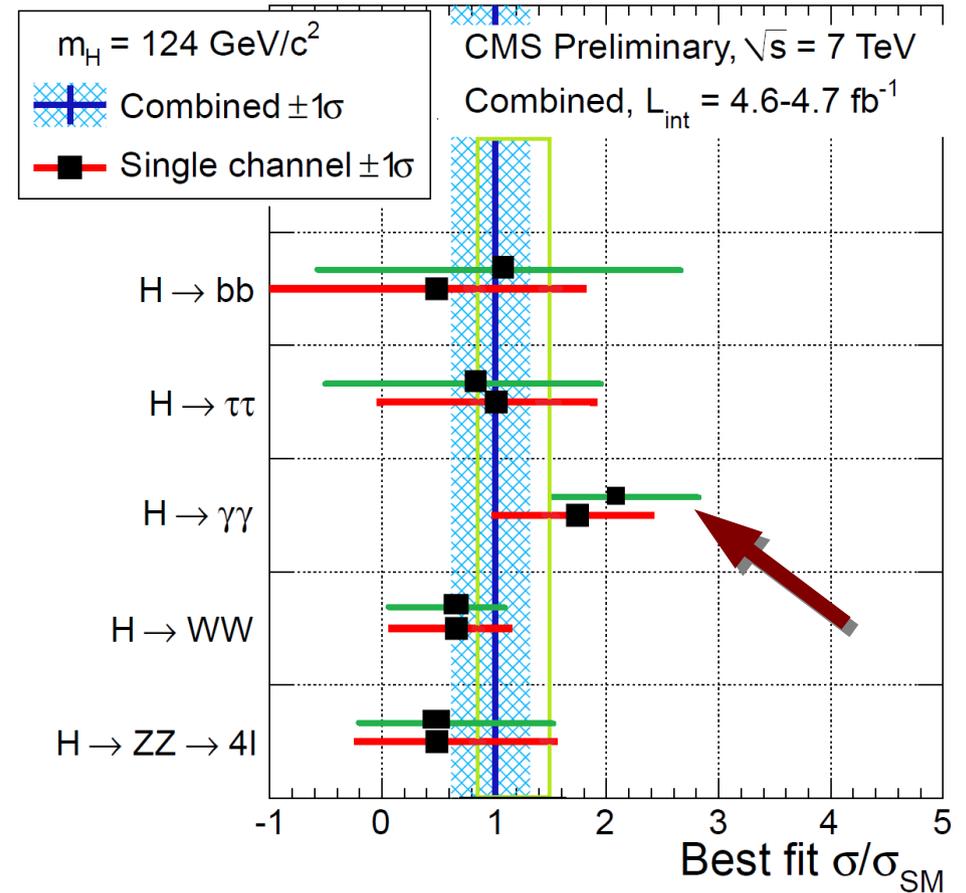
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Results of **1. last December**
2. Moriond

Possible reactions...

ATLAS & CMS results

Take the signal seriously

This is a statistical fluctuation

Evidence for a
SM Higgs boson

Evidence for a
Higgs with
enhanced
gamma-gamma rate

Higgsless theories
&
theories with heavy Higgs
are still viable

Study of the implications
for new physics scenarios

The Higgs portal

- ◆ The hierarchy problem suggests the existence of new particles at the TeV scale that couple with the Higgs

How?

- ◆ An easy way:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda H^\dagger H \mathcal{O}_{\text{NP}}$$

Lorentz invariant gauge singlet

- ◆ \mathcal{O}_{NP} can be made of NP states carrying $SU(3) \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ quantum numbers
- ◆ Many specific examples, including Higgs-partner coupling in natural theories

Manohar, Wise, 2006

Hur, Jung, Ko, Lee, 2007

Low, Vichi, 2010

Bai, Fan, Hewett, 2011

Dobrescu, Kribs, Martin, 2011

- ◆ Possible couplings:

◆ Fermion $\frac{\lambda}{\Lambda} H^\dagger H \bar{F} F$

Need low cut-off

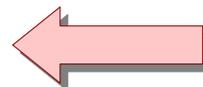
◆ Vector $\frac{\lambda}{\Lambda^2} H^\dagger H F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$

to have large effect

$$\lambda H^\dagger H A^\mu A_\mu$$

Introduces mixing between SM and new gauge boson

◆ Scalar $\lambda H^\dagger H S^\dagger S$



Exotic scalars

- ♦ Interactions of the type

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \underbrace{-\lambda |S|^2 H^\dagger H - m_0^2 |S|^2 + \lambda_S |S|^4}_{\text{Very much dependent on the gauge representation of S}} + (\mathcal{L}_{\text{fermion}})$$

Very much dependent on the gauge representation of S

- ♦ Free parameters

- λ coupling constant of the Higgs portal

- **Mass** of the scalar **S** ($m_s^2 = m_0^2 + \lambda v^2$)

- **Mass** of the **Higgs** boson m_h

- ♦ We impose that

- Potential is bounded from below: $\lambda_S > 0, \lambda > -2\sqrt{\lambda_H \lambda_S}$

- S does not participate to EWSB $-\frac{\lambda v^2 + m_0^2}{\lambda_S} < 0 \rightarrow$ No mixing between S and H

- The $SU(2)_L$ components of S are approximately degenerate in mass

- Perturbativity up to (2-3)TeV at least: $|\lambda| < 4$

Scalar representations

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(3, 1, $-\frac{1}{3}$)	$QQ, u_R d_R$	$(jj)(jj), (tj)(\bar{t}j), (bj)(\bar{b}j), (tb)(\bar{t}\bar{b})$
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(3, 1, $\frac{2}{3}$)	$d_R d_R$	$(jj)(jj), (bj)(\bar{b}j)$
(3, 1, $-\frac{4}{3}$)	$u_R u_R$	$(jj)(jj), (tj)(\bar{t}j)$
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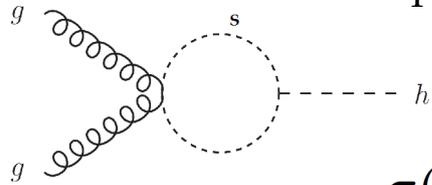
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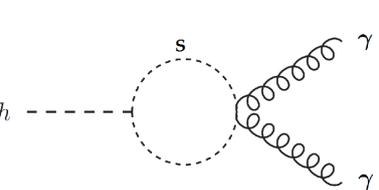
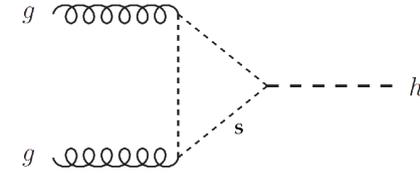
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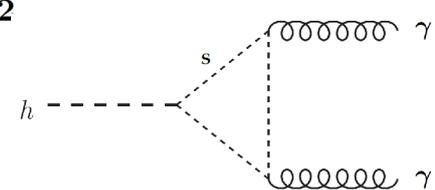
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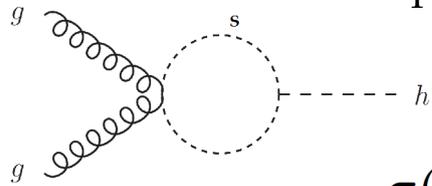
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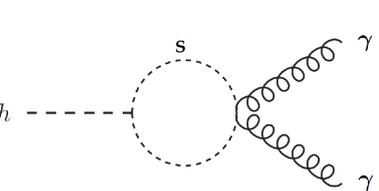
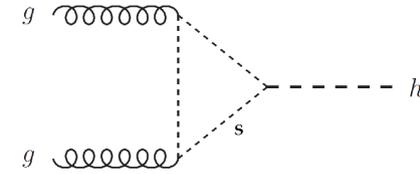
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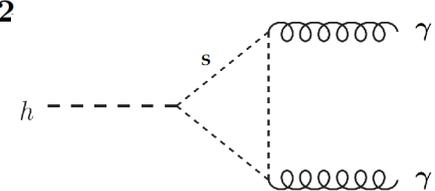
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Note: $\lambda > 0$ implies a **positive** NP contribution to the **production cross section** and a **negative** NP contribution in the **branching ratio to two photons**, and viceversa

Two interpretations

What are the implications of

1. A light Higgs at (124-126) GeV

„Moriond best fit values“

	$\gamma\gamma$	ZZ	WW	$\tau\tau$	bb
$\mu_i = \frac{\sigma_i^{\text{best}}}{\sigma_i^{\text{SM}}}$	ATLAS 1.96 ± 0.86	1.19 ± 1.18	0.17 ± 0.65	0.14 ± 0.84	-0.82 ± 1.16
	CMS 2.1 ± 0.62	0.48 ± 1.1	0.67 ± 0.57	0.84 ± 1.32	1.7 ± 1.65

Chi square, assuming a Gaussian form in R:

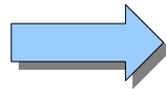
$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \frac{(R_i - \mu_i)^2}{\tilde{\sigma}_i^2} < \#$$

It depends on the number of degrees of freedom and on the C.L.

2. A hidden heavy Higgs

$$\tilde{\mu}_i^{\text{NP}} = \frac{\sigma_i}{\sigma_i^{\text{bound}}}$$

at the 95% C.L.,
combination of both
experiments



$$\tilde{\mu}_{\text{comb}} = 1 / \sqrt{\sum_i \frac{1}{(\tilde{\mu}_i^{\text{NP}})^2}} < 1$$

Suppression of its gluon gluon production cross section

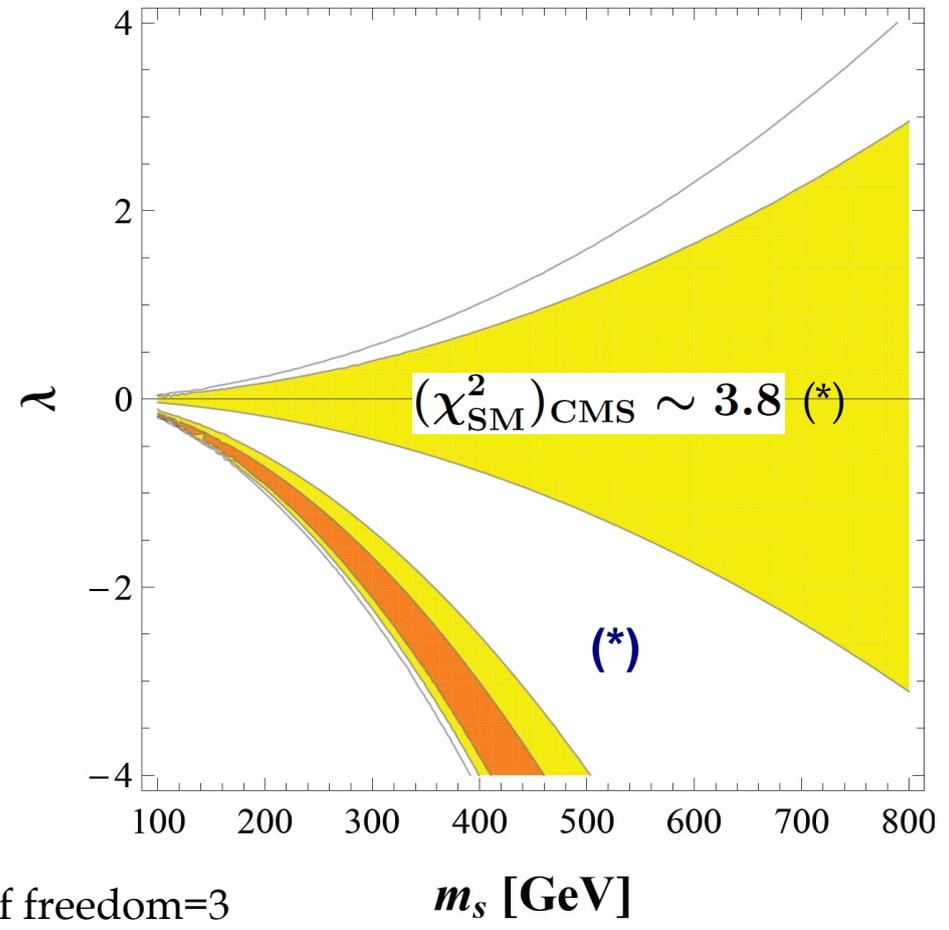
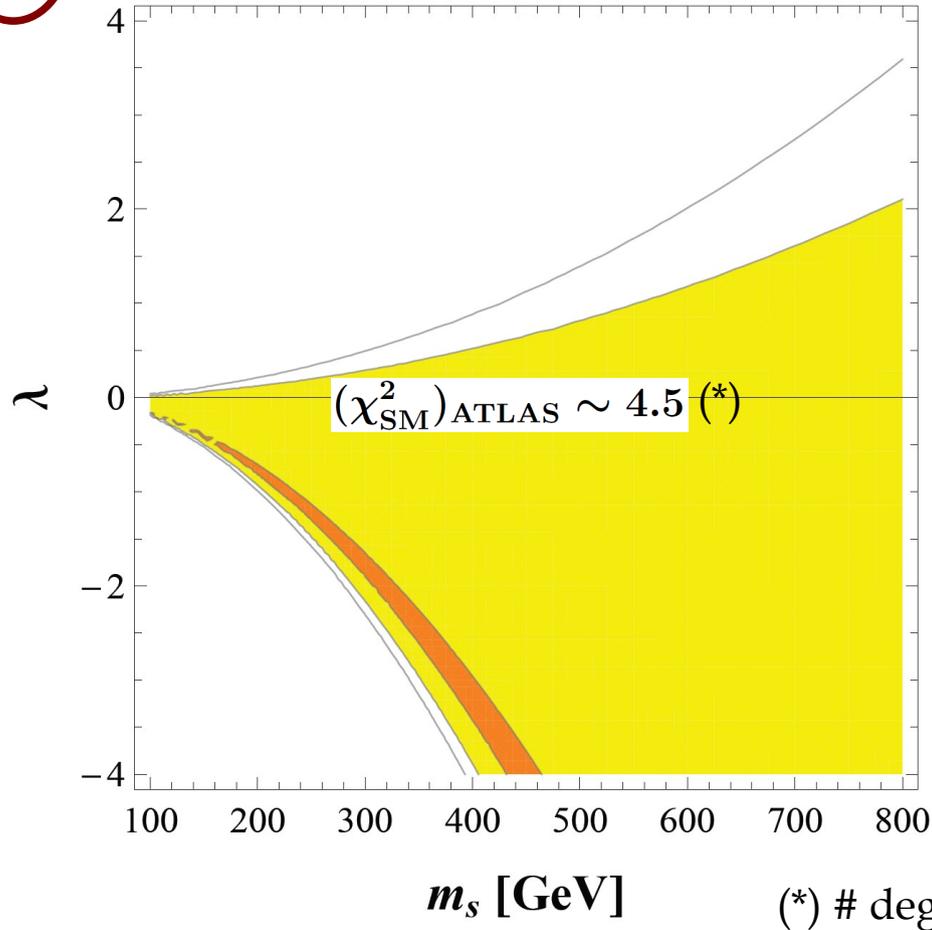
A light Higgs boson signal: colored scalars

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ATLAS

(8,2,1/2)

CMS



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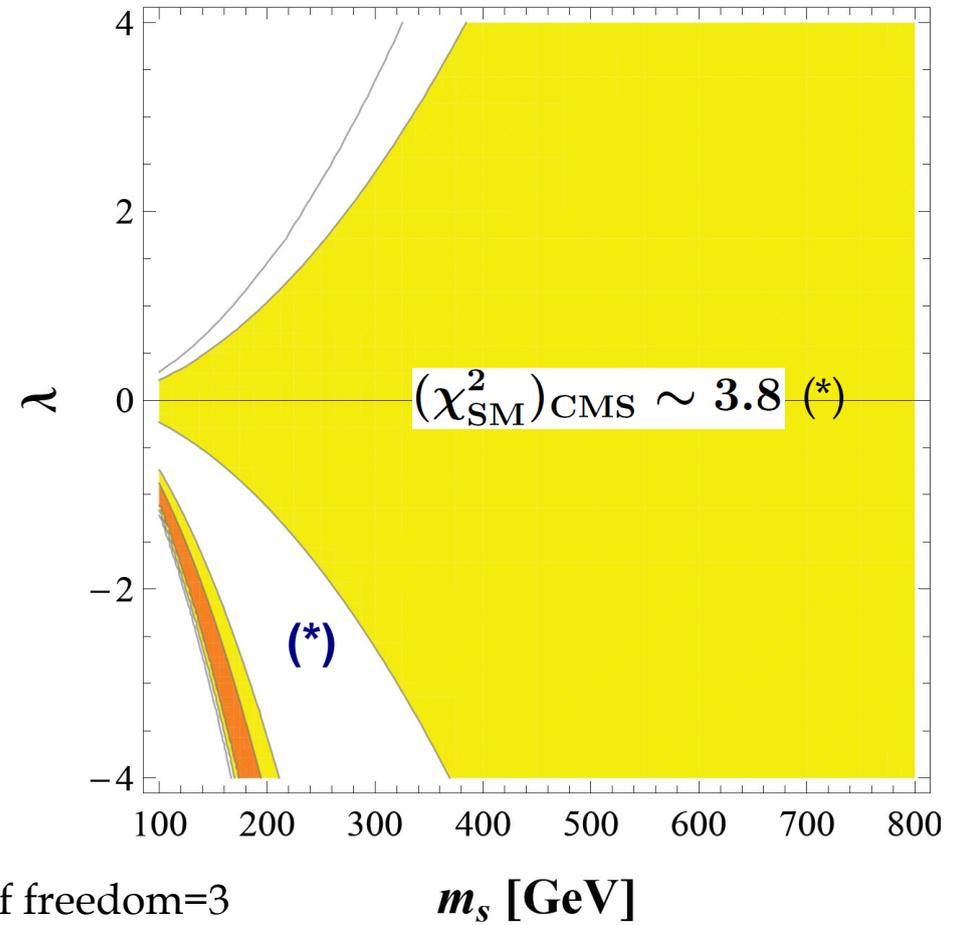
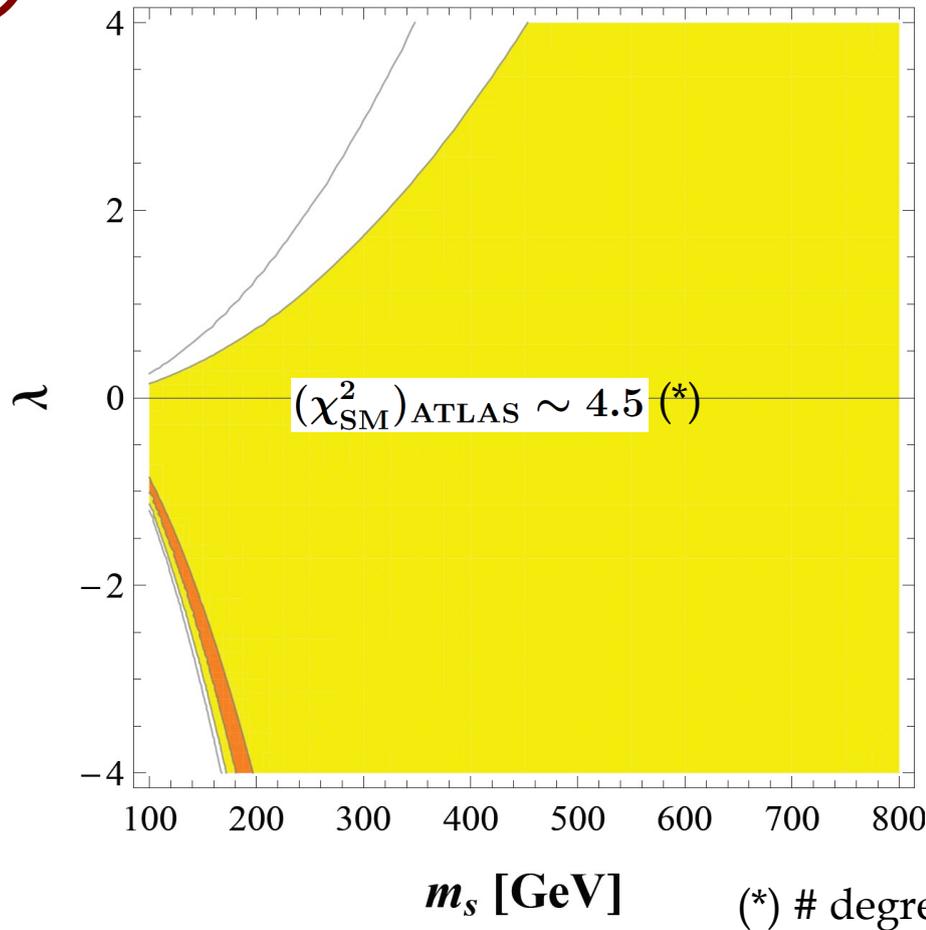
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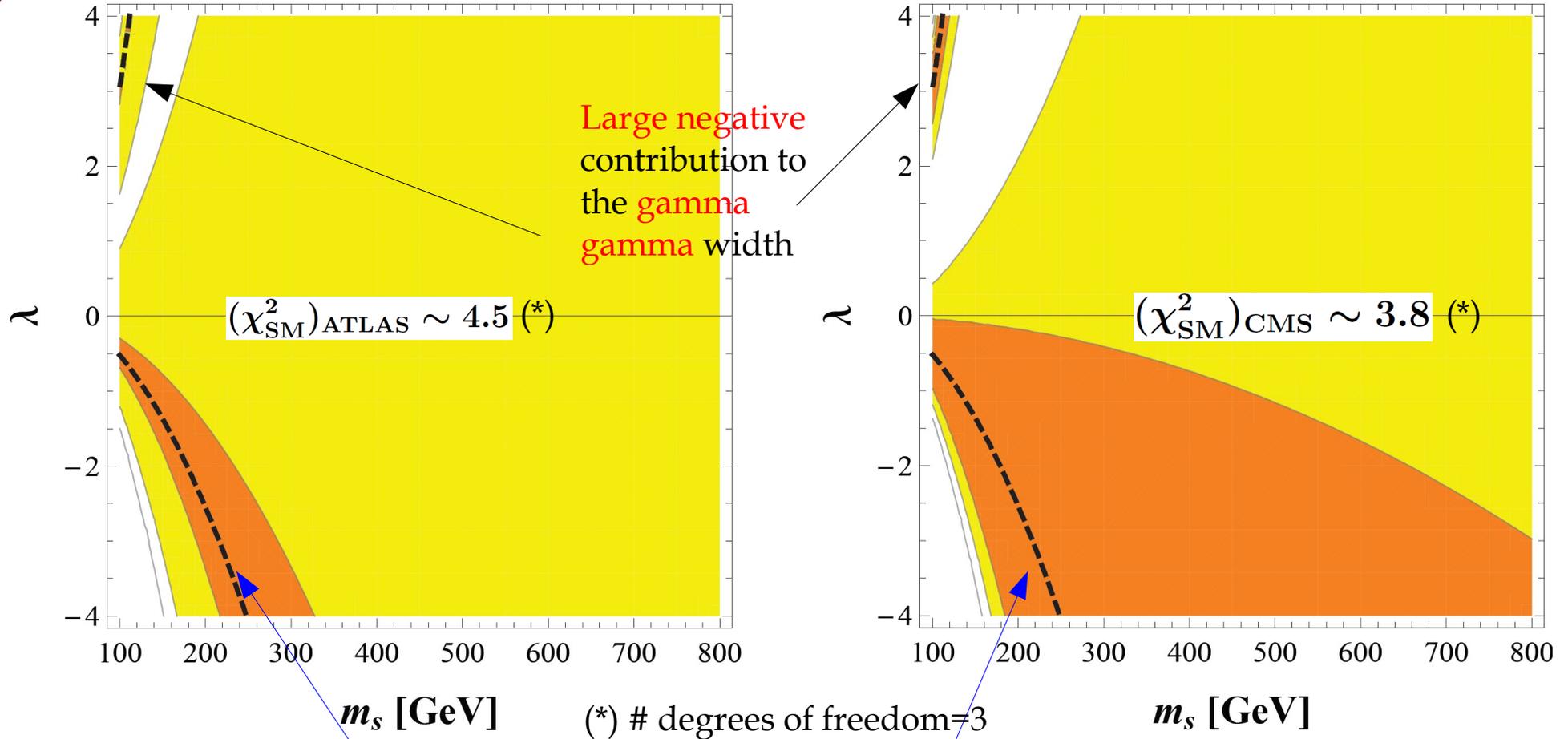
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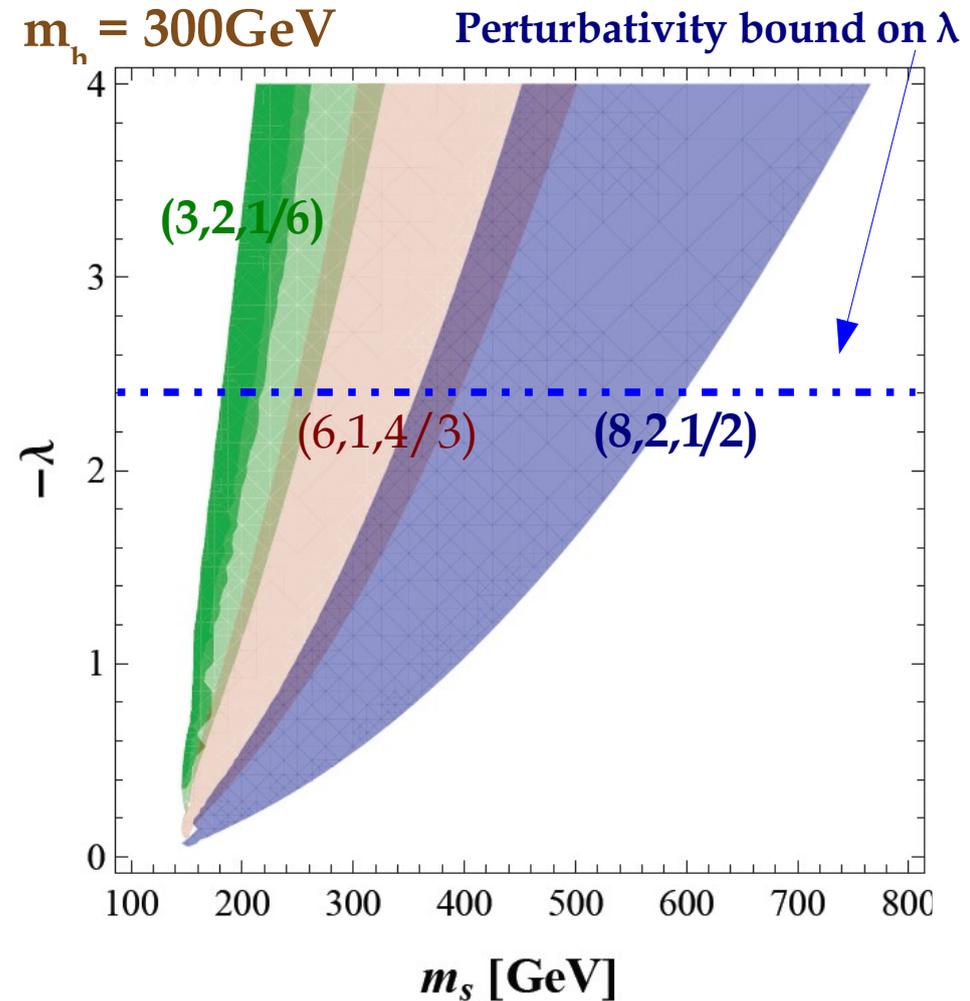
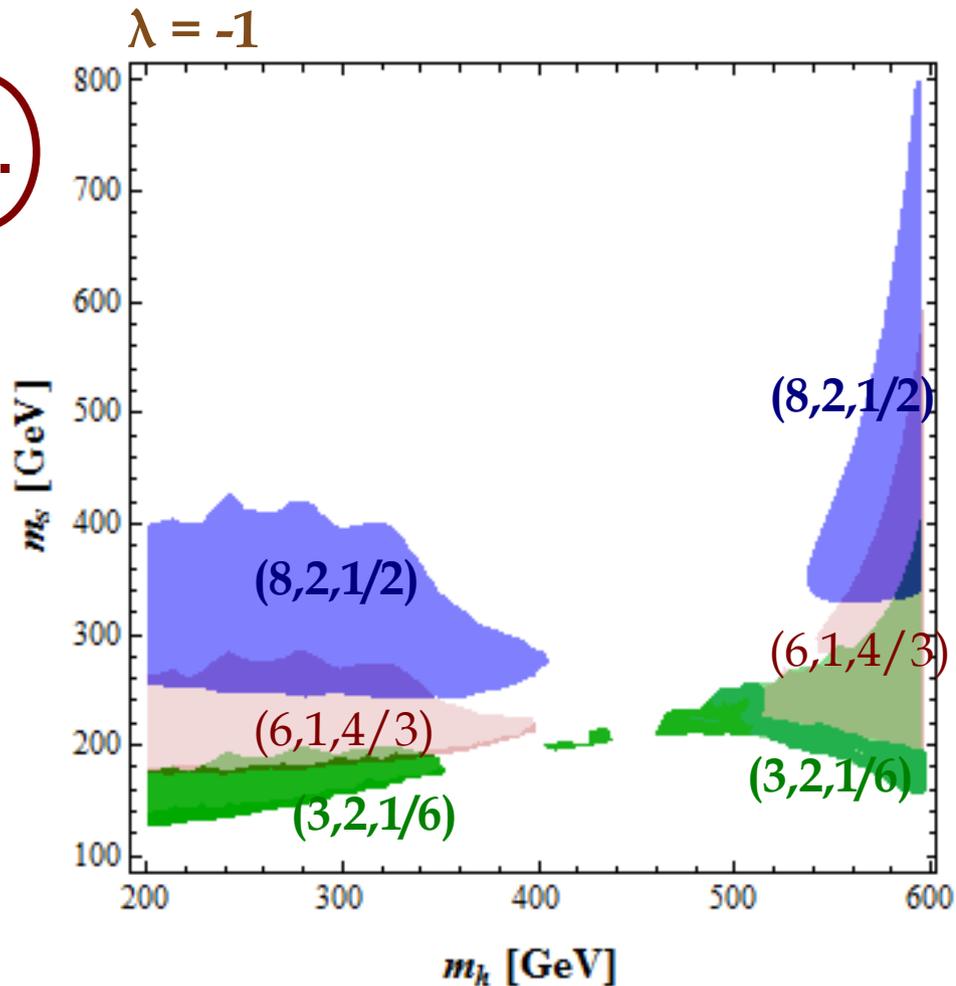
The gamma-gamma rate is enhanced by a factor of 2

1 σ 2 σ

Both ATLAS and CMS prefer $\lambda < 0$ \Rightarrow enhancement of the gamma-gamma rate

A hidden heavy Higgs

2.



The triplet representation should be rather light to hide „efficiently“ a heavy Higgs

Already been excluded by [direct searches](#)? See later...

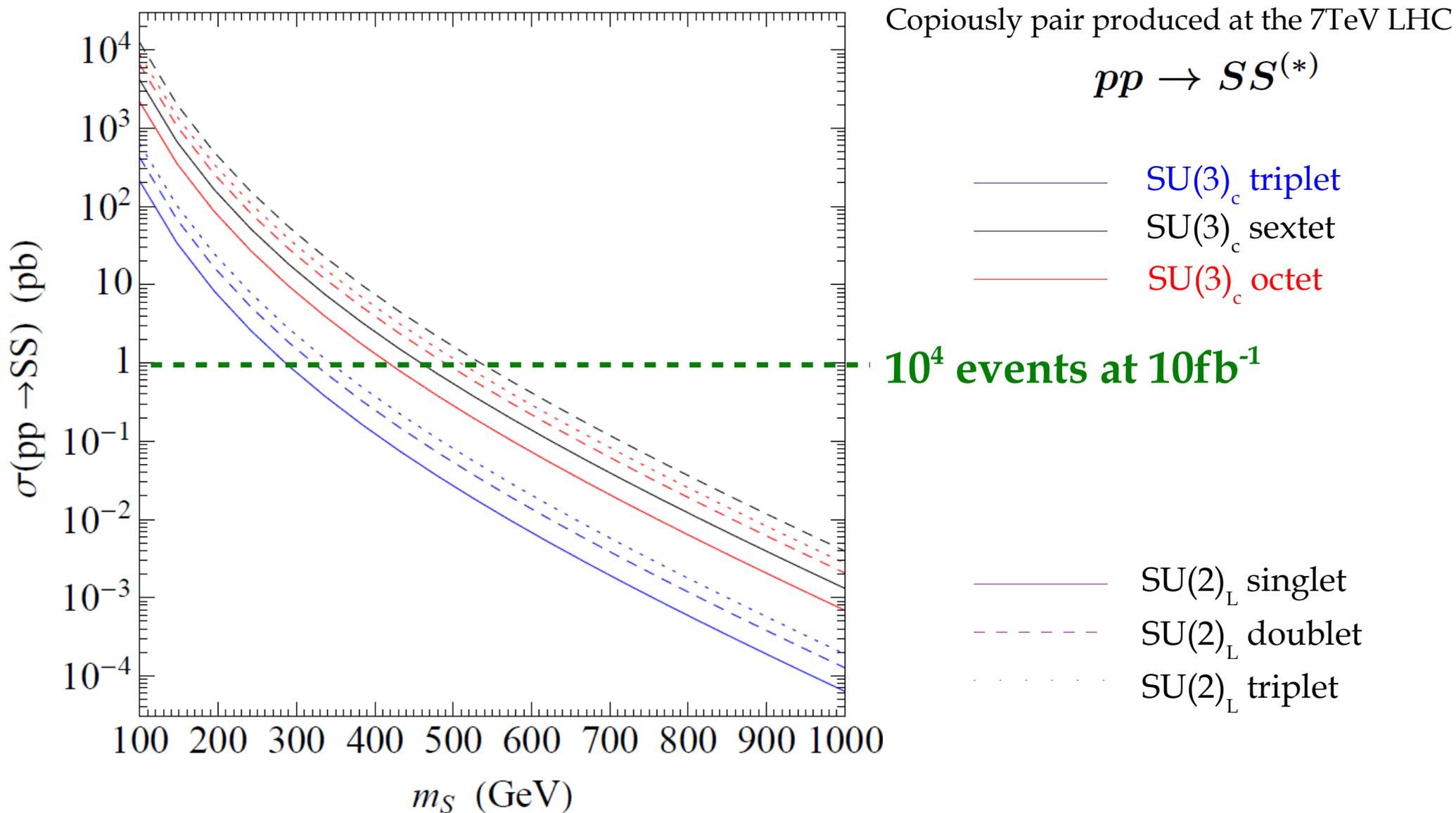
Complementary searches

- ♦ Higgs phenomenology are consistent with (possible even favor) **lighter exotic scalars**
- ♦ These states can be searched for at the LHC
- ♦ Complementary to the measurement of the Higgs phenomenology
- ♦ QCD pair production $pp \rightarrow SS^{(*)}$
with sizable rates even at the 7 TeV LHC

Note: single production of these scalars through gluon gluon fusion can have similar rates only for very heavy ($m_s > 1\text{TeV}$) scalars

Gresham, Wise, 2007

Production of the new scalars



Decay modes

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\lambda|S|^2 H^\dagger H - m_0^2|S|^2 + \lambda_S|S|^4 + (\mathcal{L}_{\text{fermion}})$$

Decays mediated by the renormalizable couplings

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{fermion}} \supset \eta_{ij} S \bar{\psi}_{1\text{SM}}^i \psi_{2\text{SM}}^j + h.c.$$

20 possible
final states

If η_{ij} are generic $O(1)$ couplings, large FCNCs are induced, however

1. One can impose the Minimal Flavor Violation (**MFV**) principle
2. One can impose that η_{ij} are **small**

} Work for
the future

1.
 - Only the representation (8, 2, 1/2) can have MFV coupling [Manohar, Wise, 2006](#)
 - Multi b or multi top final state searches

2.
 - Lifetime of a real scalar decaying to two (relatively light) fermions:
$$c\tau \sim 0.5\text{mm} \left(\frac{10^{-7}}{\eta} \right)^2$$
 - If $\eta \geq 10^{-7}$ the decay is prompt in the detector

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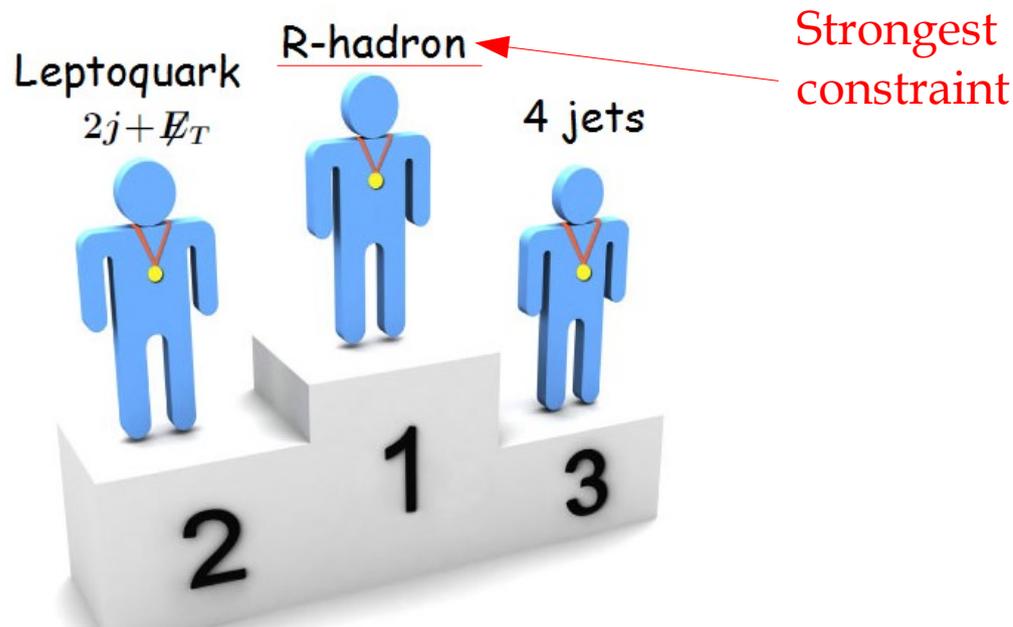
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Several LHC searches:



R-hadron searches

R-hadron = long lived charged and hadronizing particle (CMS-PAS-EXO-11-022)

$$L = 1.09 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

If η is particularly small...

- Present limit on sgluons: $M > 900 \text{ GeV}$

We deduce the bounds for the color octets:

$$(8, 1, 0) \rightarrow m_S \gtrsim 800 \text{ GeV},$$

$$(8, 2, Y) \rightarrow m_S \gtrsim 1000 \text{ GeV}$$

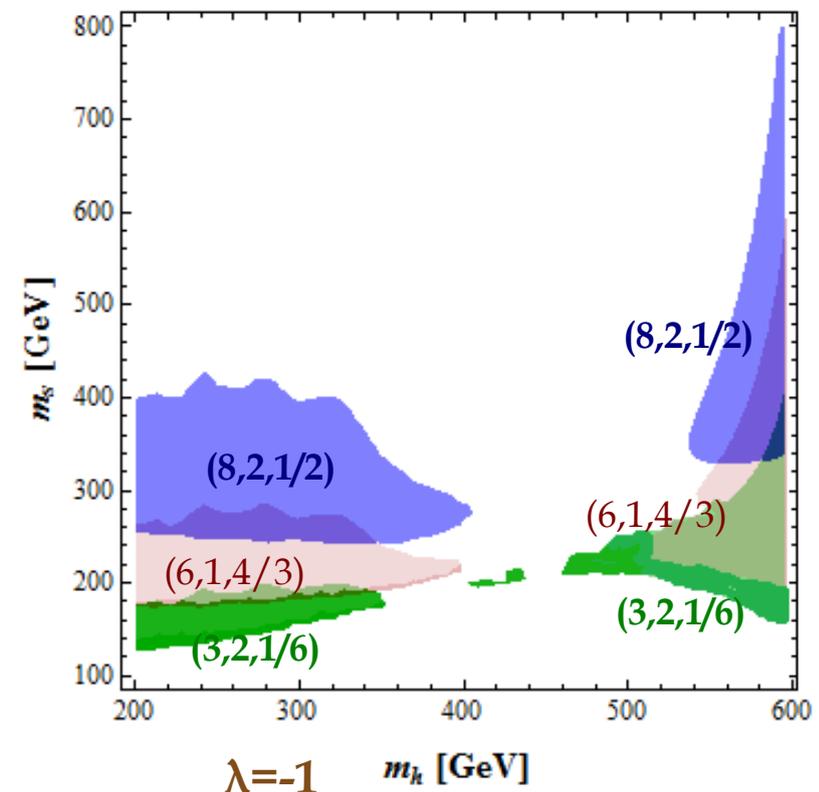
- Present limit on scalar tops: $M > 620 \text{ GeV}$

We deduce the bounds for the color triplets:

$$(3, 1, 0) \rightarrow m_S \gtrsim 600 \text{ GeV},$$

$$(3, 2, Y) \rightarrow m_S \gtrsim 700 \text{ GeV}$$

Reminder:



Very difficult to hide a Higgs if the scalars are long lived $\rightarrow \eta \gtrsim 10^{-7}$

Leptoquarks and 2j+missing energy searches

Only for color triplets:

- ♦ $2j + \cancel{E}_T$: similar to Susy searches

$L = 1.04 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ATLAS collaboration: arXiv:1109.6572.
 $L = 1.14 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ CMS collaboration: arXiv:1109.2352.

In the limit $m_{\tilde{g}} \rightarrow \infty$, $m_{\text{LSP}} \rightarrow 0$, $M_{\text{squark}} > 800 \text{ GeV}$

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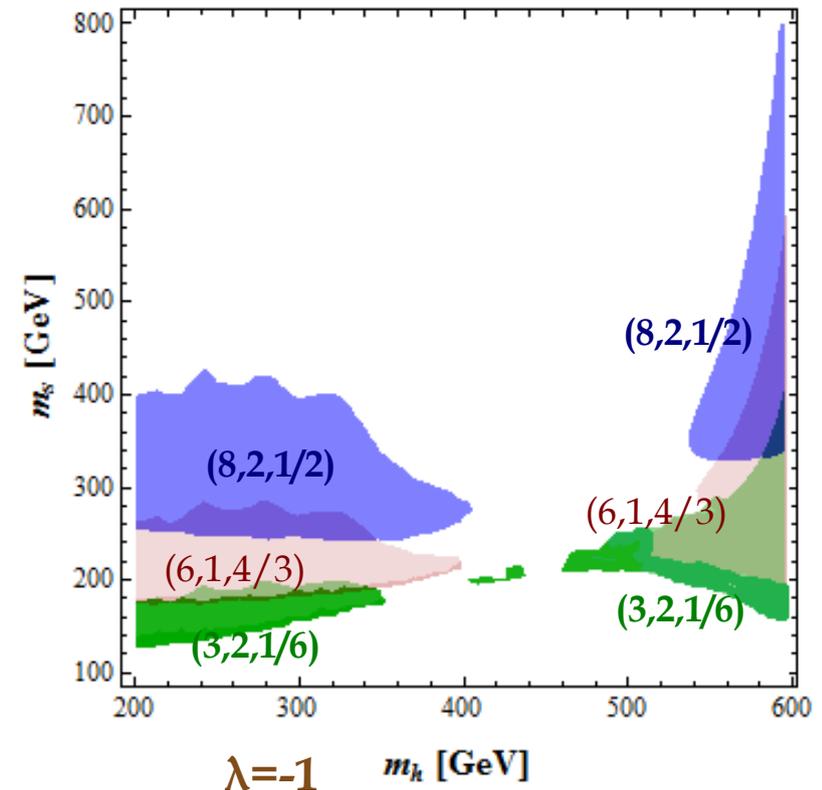
$$(3, 1, 0) \rightarrow m_S \gtrsim 550 \text{ GeV},$$

$$(3, 2, Y) \rightarrow m_S \gtrsim 650 \text{ GeV}$$

- ♦ $SU(2)_L$ gauge invariance requires that this final state co-exists with a lepto-quark-like $(\ell^- j)(\ell^+ j)$ final states

$$m_S > 650 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{for first generation lepto-quarks})$$

Reminder:

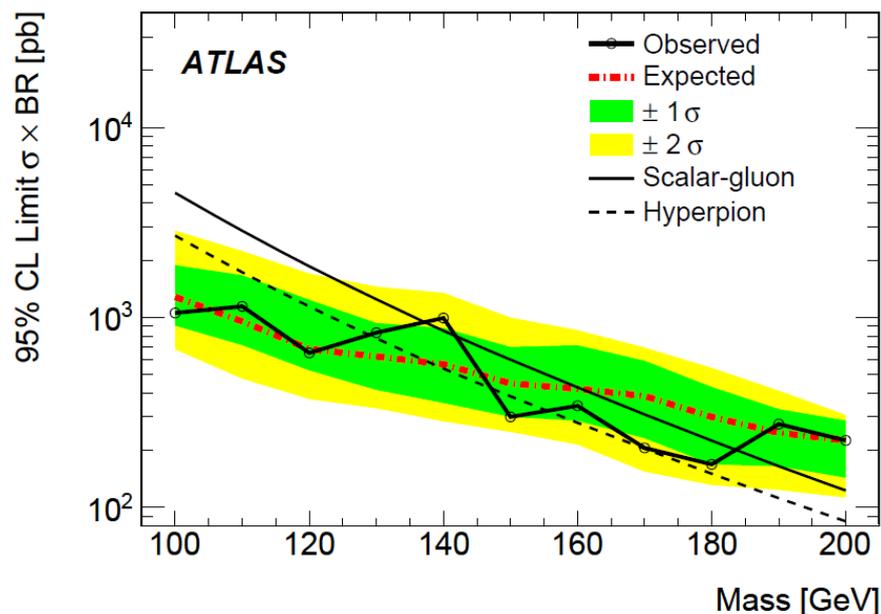


$L = 1.03 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ATLAS collaboration: 1112.4828
 $L = 1.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ CMS PAS EXO-11-030

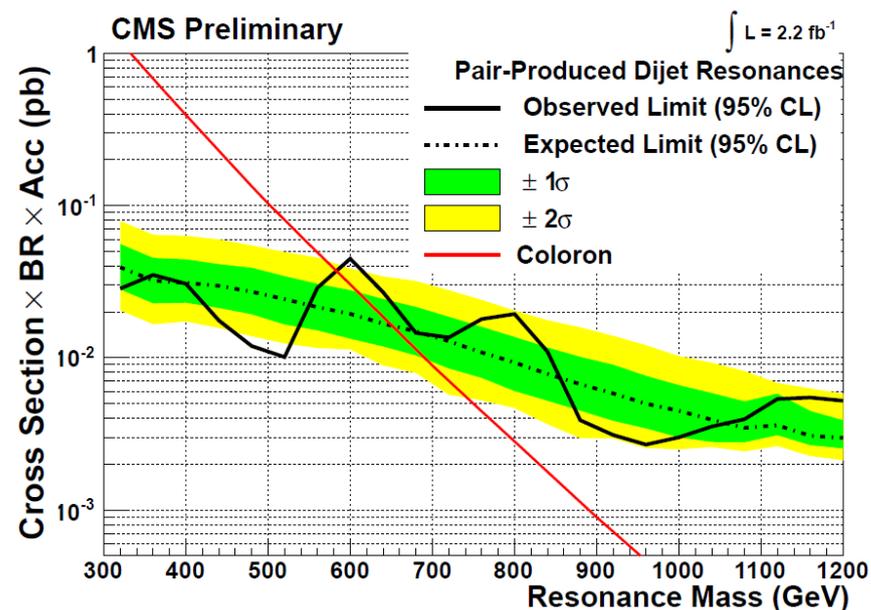
4 jet searches

A very common final state (both for triplets, sextets and octets)

A rather difficult channel because of the large QCD background



$L = 34 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ATLAS collaboration: arXiv:1110.2693

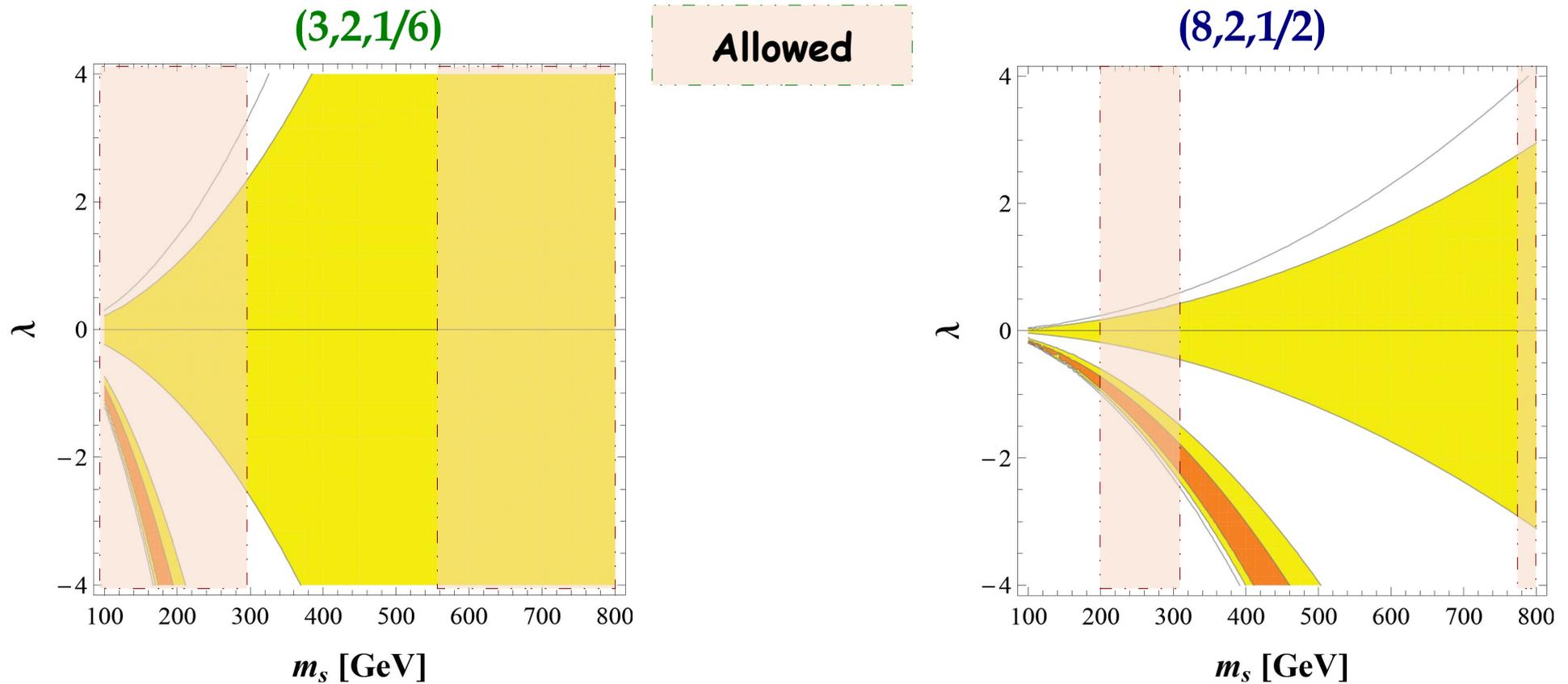


$L = 2.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ CMS PAS EXO-11-016 (last January public note)

New

Interplay with the Higgs phenomenology

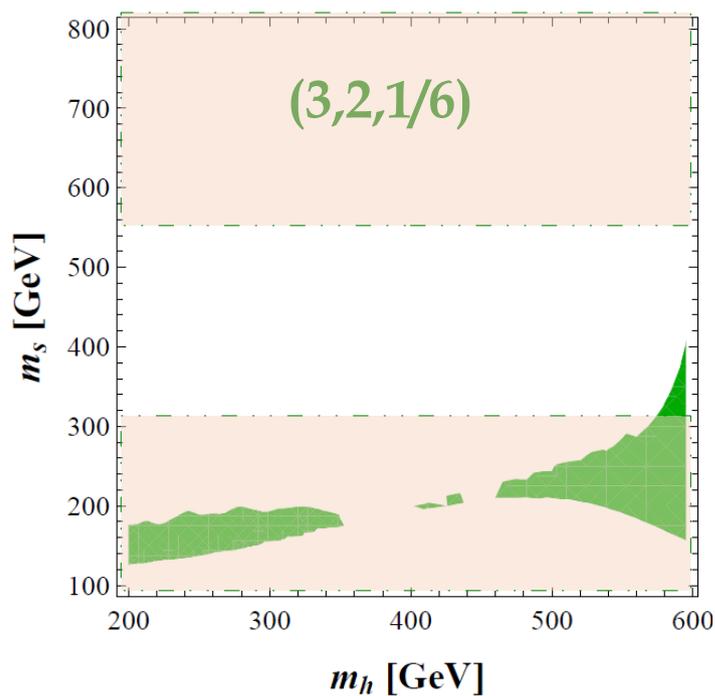
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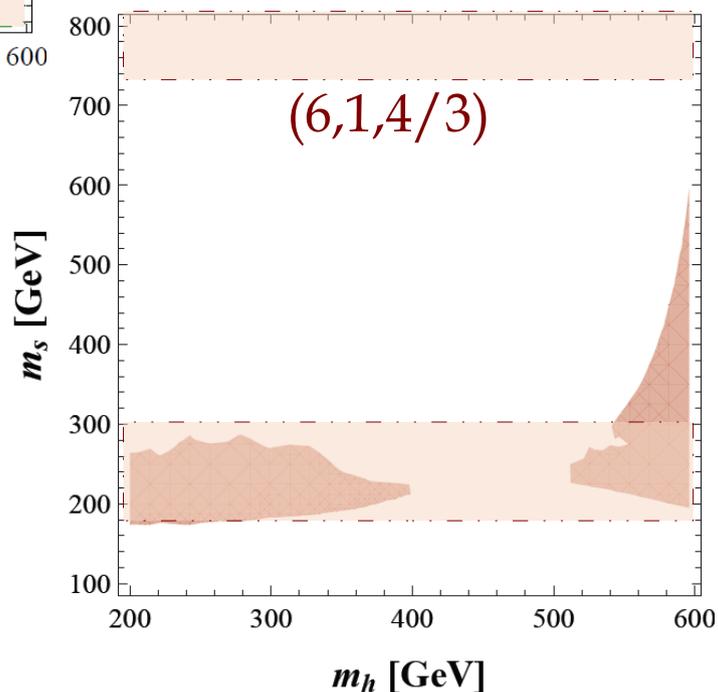
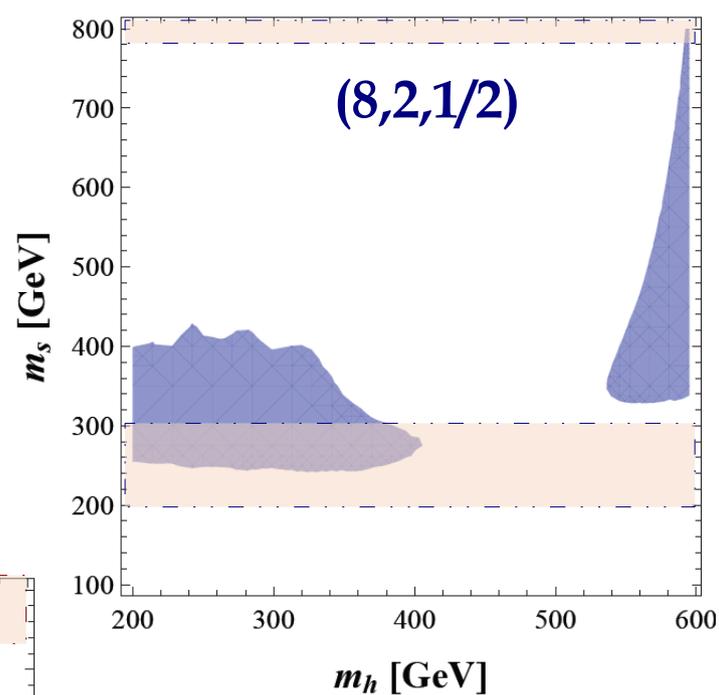
CMS fit for a light Higgs ($m_h \sim 125$ GeV)

Interplay with the Higgs phenomenology

If the exotic scalars are decaying exclusively to 2 jets:



Allowed



Heavy hidden Higgs

Conclusions

♦ 2012 is going to be the year for the Higgs:

- Confirm a light Higgs signal, or
- Rule out SM-like weakly coupled Higgs.

♦ Rich implications for NP particles interacting with the Higgs (Higgs portal)

$$\lambda H^\dagger H \mathcal{O}_{\text{NP}}$$

- Already with 10 fb^{-1} , direct searches of colored scalars are close to mass scales needed to hide a heavy Higgs.

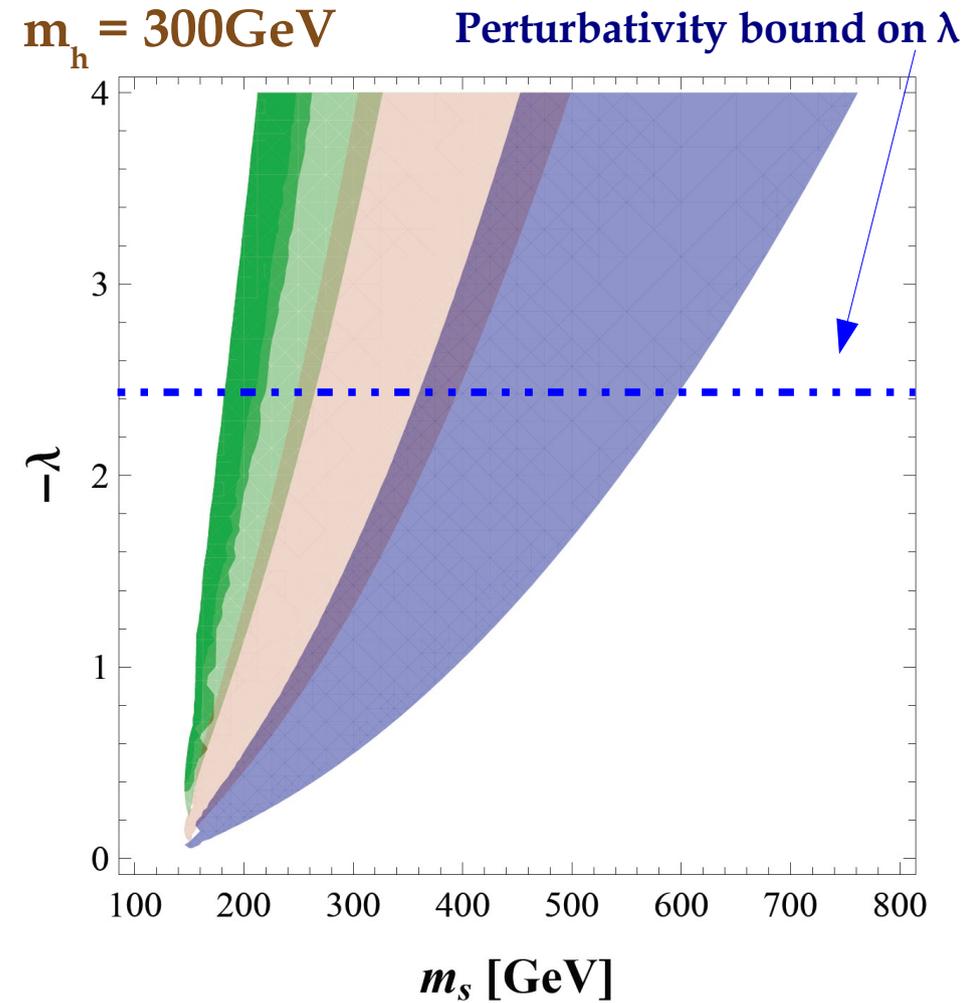
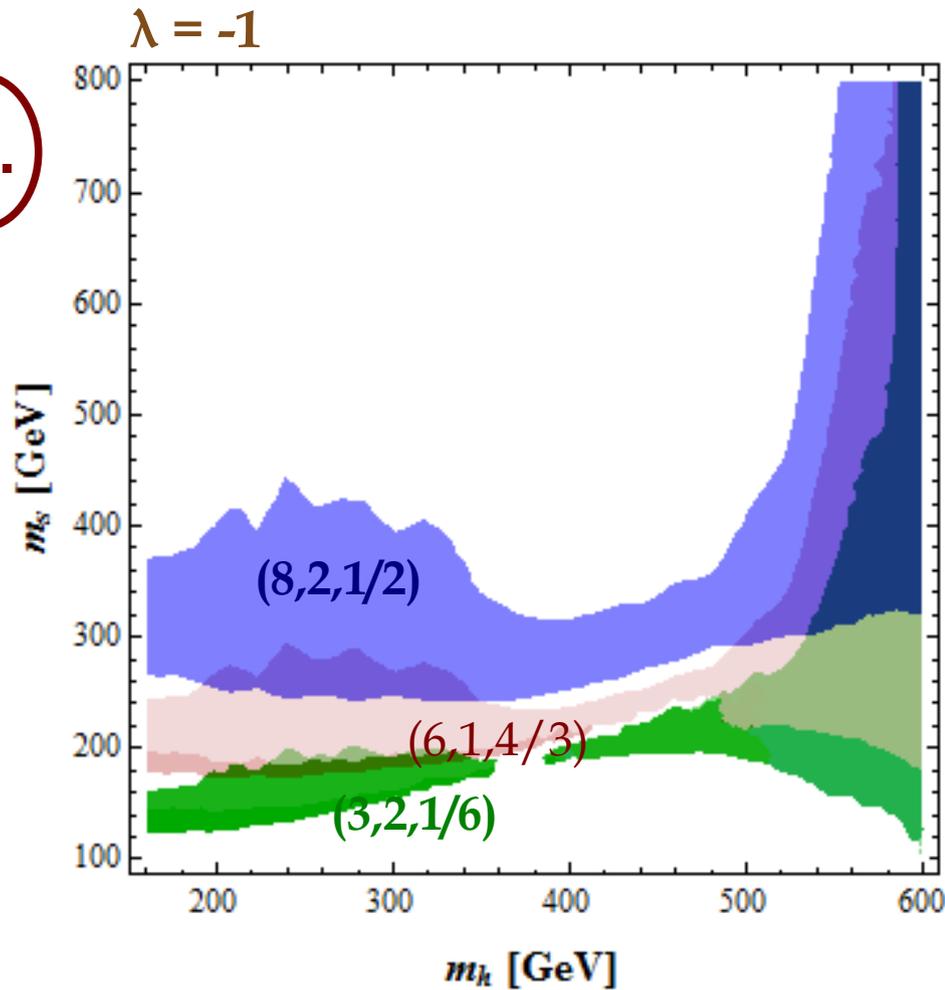
♦ Complementarity between exotic scalar searches and Higgs phenomenology

**Most
exciting
scenario!**

- If deviations from SM-like Higgs are observed, the light exotic matter coupling through the Higgs portal will provide a promising and experimentally testable explanation.

A hidden heavy Higgs (as last December)

2.



Now the bounds on $m_h > 350\text{ GeV}$
are more stringent especially because of the ZZ channel

Coupling with SM fermions, an example

Example: color octet $(8, 2, \frac{1}{2})$

$$S_a^b = \begin{pmatrix} S_+ \\ S_0 \end{pmatrix}_a^b$$

1. It interacts with $\bar{u}_R Q$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{fermion}} \supset \eta_{ij} (\bar{u}_R^\alpha)^{ai} (u_{L\alpha})_b^j (S_0)_a^b - \eta_{ij} (\bar{u}_R^\alpha)^{ai} (d_{L\alpha})_b^j (S_+)_a^b + \text{h.c.}$$

This Lagrangian mediates the decays $S_0 \rightarrow u^i \bar{u}^j, S_+ \rightarrow u^i \bar{d}^j$

With LHC signatures from $SS^{(*)}$ production:

$$(jj)(jj), (tj)(\bar{t}j), (bj)(\bar{b}j), (t\bar{b})(\bar{t}b), (t\bar{t})(t\bar{t})$$

a,b,c,... SU(3)_c indices
i,j,k,... flavor indices
 $\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\dots$ Lorentz indices

2. It interacts with $\bar{Q} d_R$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{fermion}} \supset \eta_{ij} (\bar{u}_{L\dot{\alpha}})^{ai} (d_R^{\dot{\alpha}})_b^j (S_+)_a^b + \eta_{ij} (\bar{d}_{L\dot{\alpha}})^{ai} (d_R^{\dot{\alpha}})_b^j (S_0)_a^b + \text{h.c.}$$

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Some of these signatures are already pretty constrained by the LHC!

A heavy SM Higgs in trouble (2)

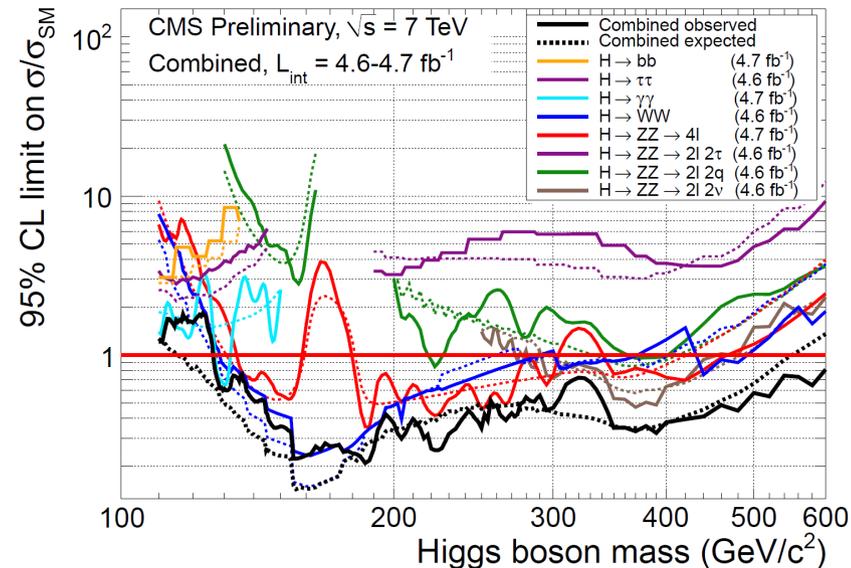
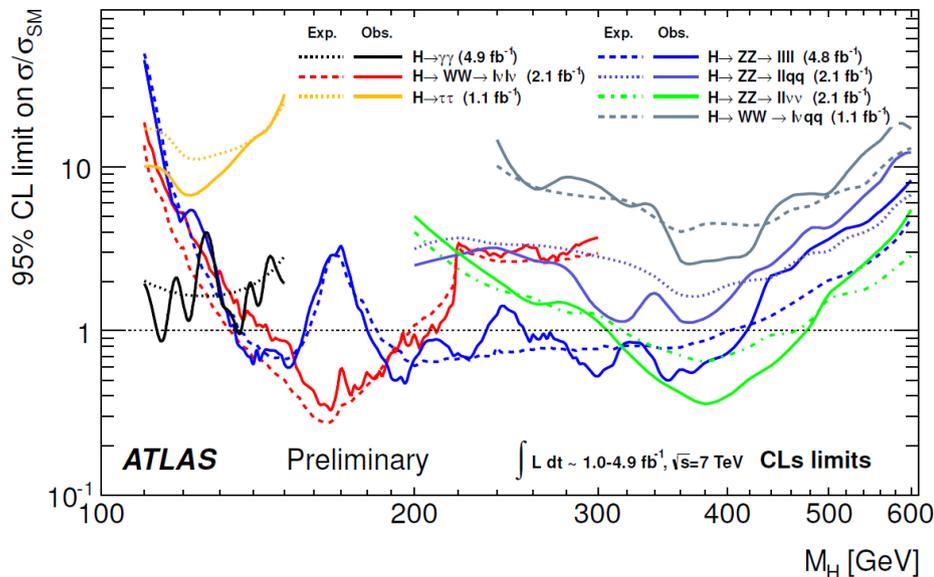
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Last December results

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{	$h \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow l^+l^-l^+l^-$	4.8fb^{-1}
	$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	4.9fb^{-1}
	$h \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow l^+\nu l^-\bar{\nu}$	2.1fb^{-1}
	$h \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow l^+l^-\nu\bar{\nu}$	2.1fb^{-1}
	$h \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow l^+l^-q\bar{q}$	2.1fb^{-1}
	$h \rightarrow \tau\tau$	1.04fb^{-1}
	$h \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l^+l^-q\bar{q}$	1.04fb^{-1}

All channels are updated with full luminosity ($4.6-4.7\text{fb}^{-1}$)

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	$h \rightarrow \tau\tau$
	$h \rightarrow bb$
	$h \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow l^+l^-\tau^-\tau^+$

At high mass, main relevant channels are WW and ZZ.
They are giving strong constraints for $m_h \geq 150\text{GeV}$