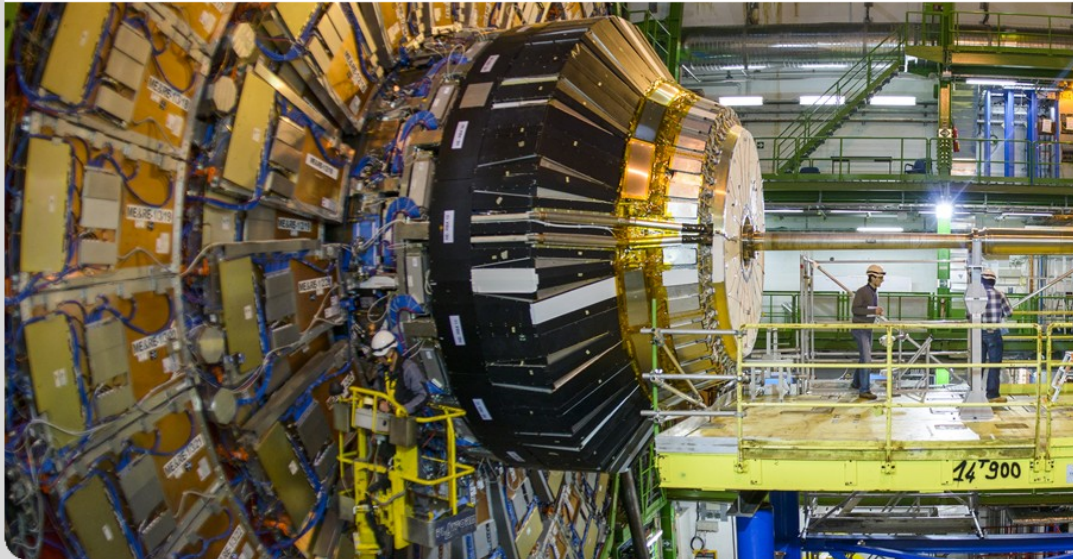


# Likelihood Analyses in BSM Searches: from model-independent to searches in dedicated scenarios

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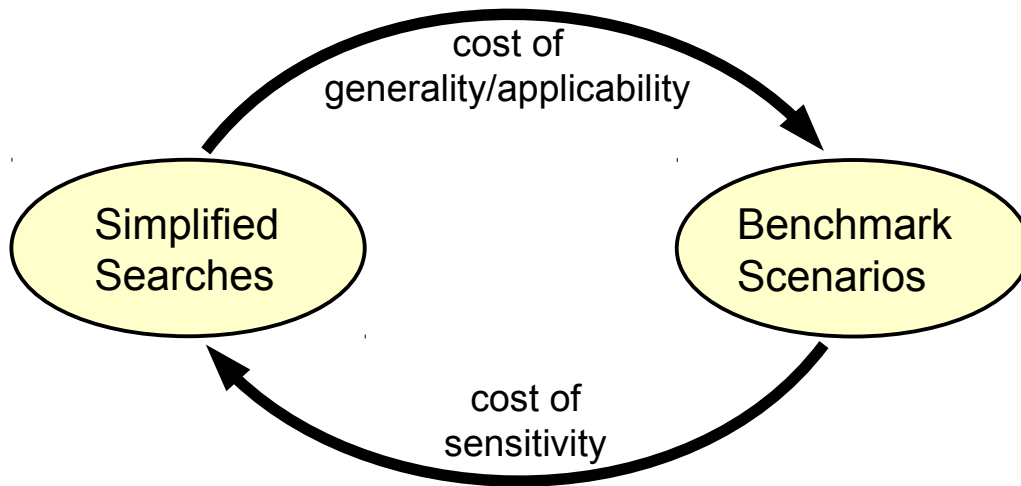


- Introduction
- Data representation in MSSM  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  analyses
- Recall: limit setting algorithms
- “Deconstruction” of likelihood function
- Method comparison and conclusions

# After discovery is before discovery (Sepp Herberger)



- After the discovery of one Higgs boson we are out for its siblings.
- In many(all?) non-trivial extensions of the SM search **for not a single but several particles with well defined relations.**
- Search strategies:



Common problem with many faces:

- Search for deviations from SM in generic Higgs couplings analyses.
- SUSY searches.
- DM searches @ colliders.
- **BSM Higgs searches.**

- **Always do both!** To be efficient try to keep the **loop as concise as possible.**

# Case-study: Higgs Bosons in the MSSM

- The MSSM, like any other Two Higgs Doublet Model (THDM) predicts five Higgs bosons:

$$H_u = \begin{pmatrix} H_u^+ \\ H_u^0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y_{H_u} = +1, \quad v_u : \text{VEV}_u$$

$$H_d = \begin{pmatrix} H_d^0 \\ H_d^- \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y_{H_d} = -1, \quad v_d : \text{VEV}_d$$

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$$N_{\text{ndof}} = 8 \quad - \underbrace{3}_{W, Z} = \underbrace{5}_{H^\pm, H, h, A}$$

- Strict mass requirements at tree level:

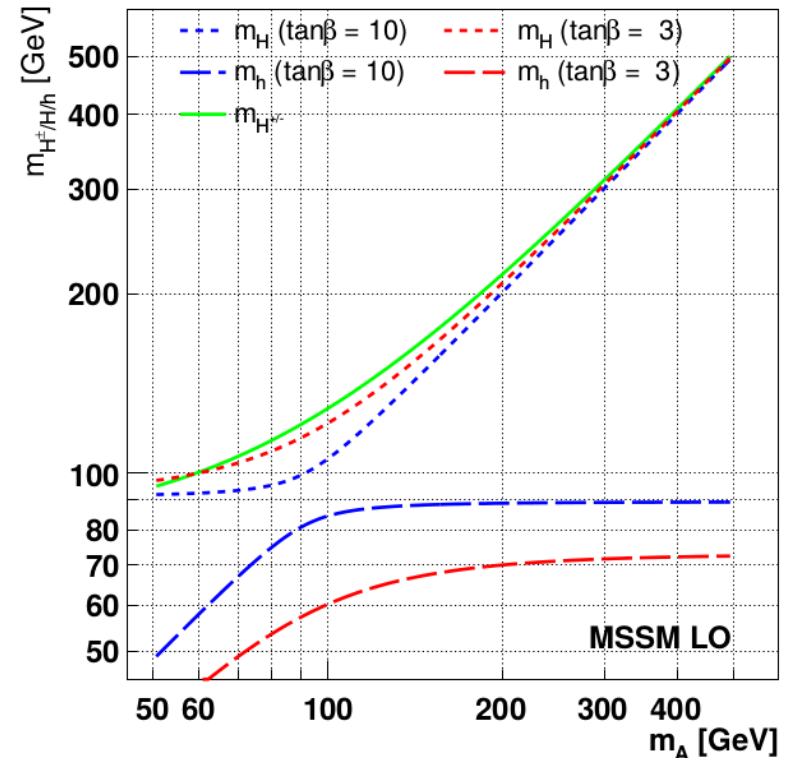
two free parameters:  $m_A$ ,  $\tan \beta = v_u/v_d$

$$m_{H^\pm}^2 = m_A^2 + m_W^2$$

$$m_{H, h}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( m_A^2 + m_Z^2 \pm \sqrt{(m_A^2 + m_Z^2)^2 - 4m_A^2 m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta} \right)$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{-(m_A^2 + m_Z^2) \sin 2\beta}{(m_Z^2 - m_A^2) \cos 2\beta + \sqrt{(m_A^2 + m_Z^2)^2 - 4m_A^2 m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta}}$$

(angle btw.  $H_u$  &  $H_d$  in isospace)

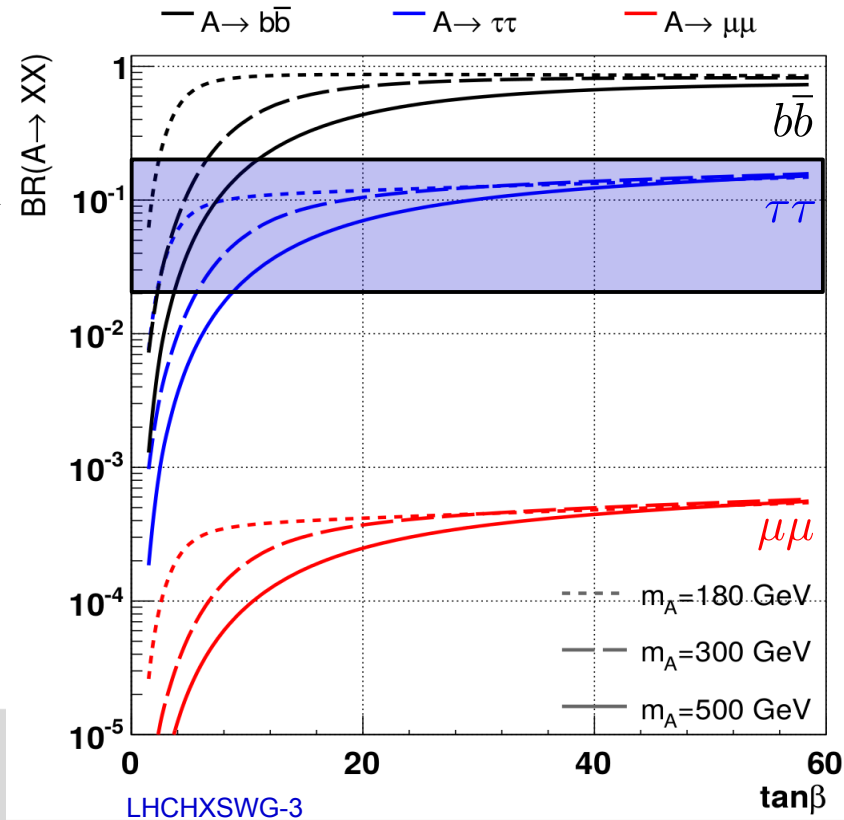
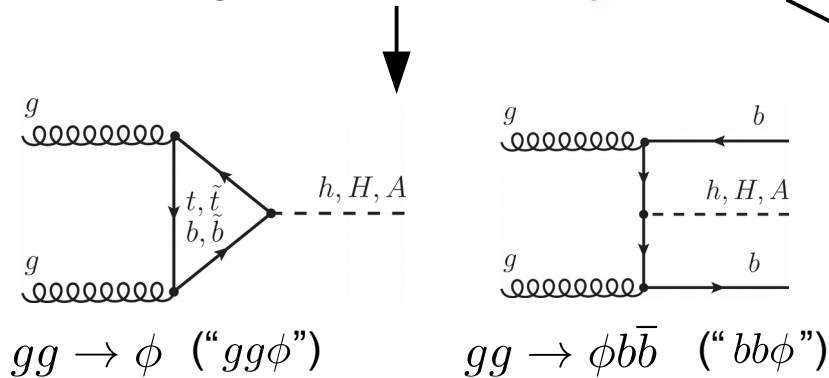


# Coupling structure to neutral Higgs Bosons

	$g_{VV}/g_{VV}^{SM}$	$g_{uu}/g_{uu}^{SM}$	$g_{dd}/g_{dd}^{SM}$
$A$	—	$\gamma_5 \cot \beta$	$\gamma_5 \tan \beta$
$H$	$\cos(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 0$	$\sin \alpha / \sin \beta \rightarrow \cot \beta$	$\cos \alpha / \cos \beta \rightarrow \tan \beta$
$h$	$\sin(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 1$	$\cos \alpha / \sin \beta \rightarrow 1$	$-\sin \alpha / \cos \beta \rightarrow 1$

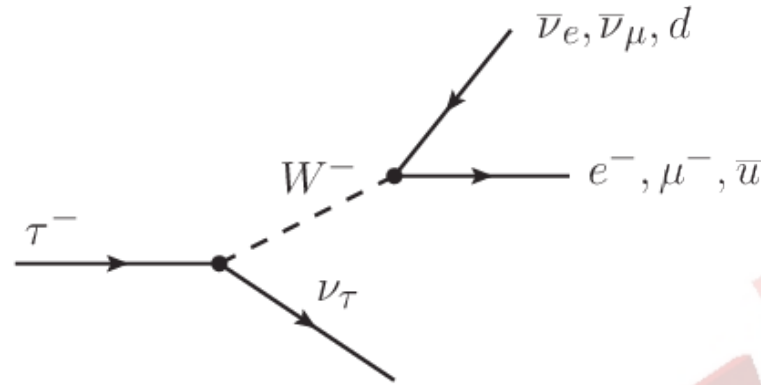
- For  $m_A \gg m_Z$  :  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta - \pi/2$  (coupling to **down-type fermions enhanced by  $\tan \beta$** ).

- Interesting **production/decay modes**:

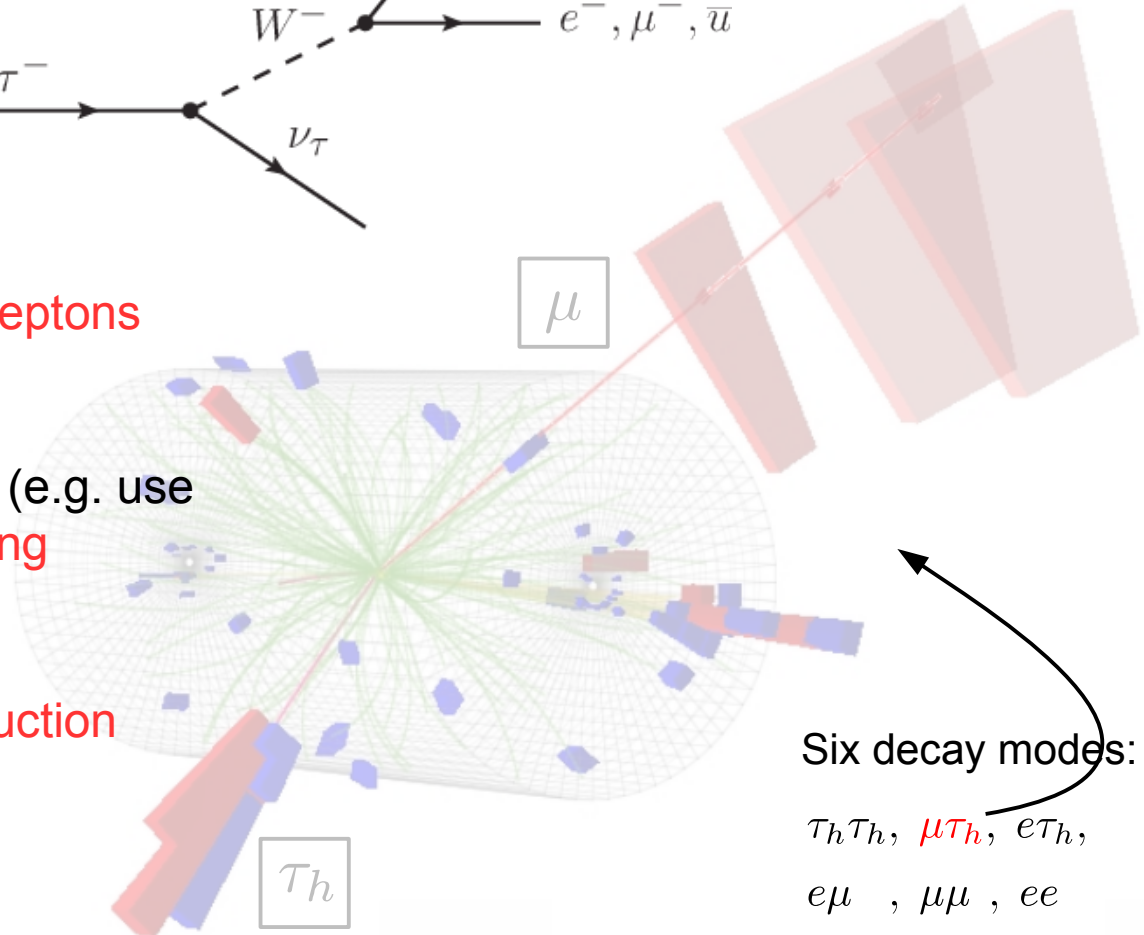


# The analysis in the $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ decay channel

Decay Mode	BR [%]
$e\nu_e\nu_\tau$	17.83
$\mu\nu_\mu\nu_\tau$	17.41
1-prong $\nu_\tau$	37.10
3-prong $\nu_\tau$	15.20



- Search for **2 isolated high  $p_T$  leptons** ( $e, \mu, \tau_h$ ).
- Reduce obvious backgrounds (e.g. use  $E_T$ ) & **reconstruct discriminating variable** (e.g.  $m_{\tau\tau}$ ).
- Exploit **characteristics of production mode** to increase sensitivity.



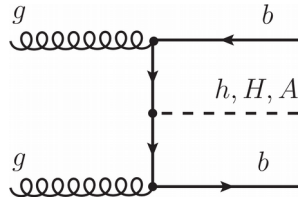
Six decay modes:  
 $\tau_h\tau_h, \mu\tau_h, e\tau_h,$   
 $e\mu, \mu\mu, ee$

# Typical discriminating distributions

b-tag category:

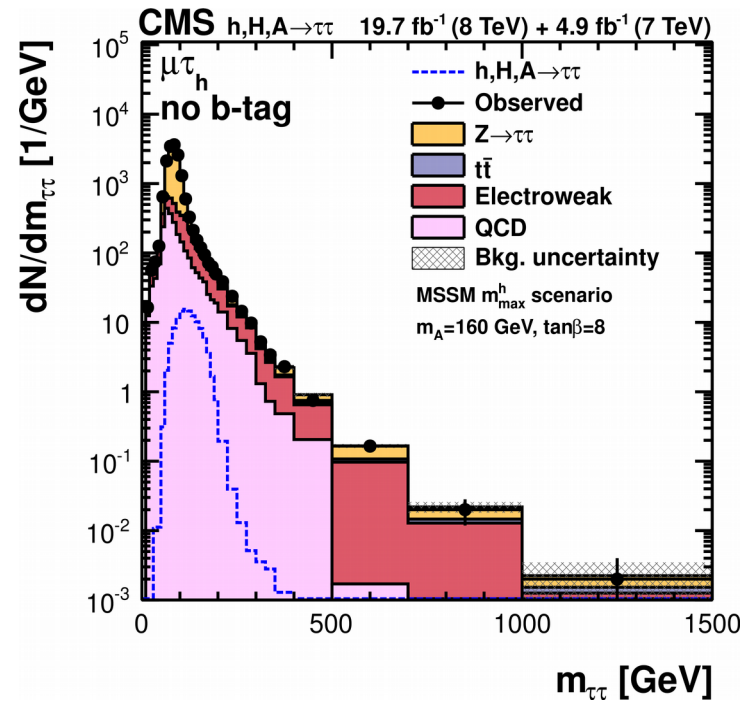
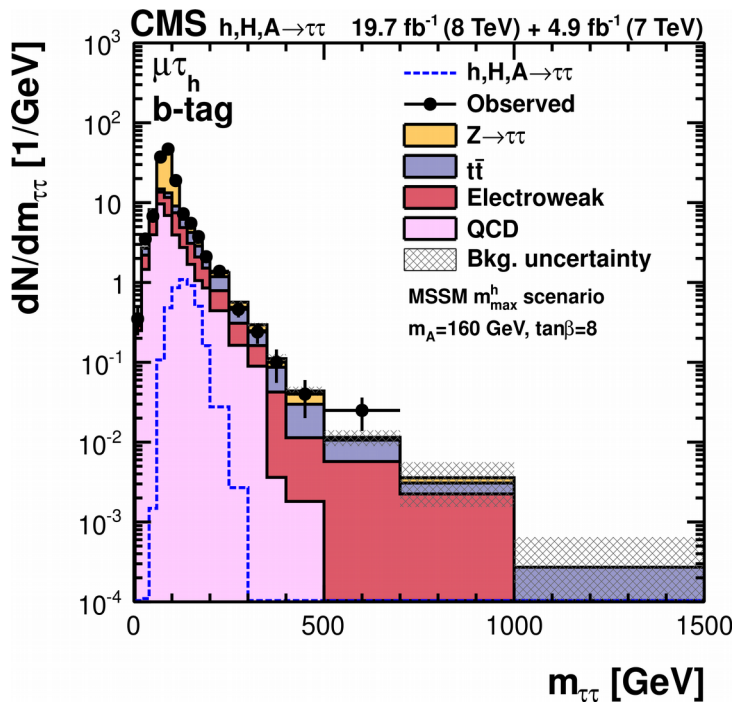
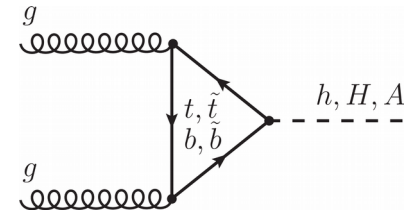
$$N(b\text{-tag}) \geq 1$$

$$N(\text{Jet}) \leq 1$$



No b-tag category:

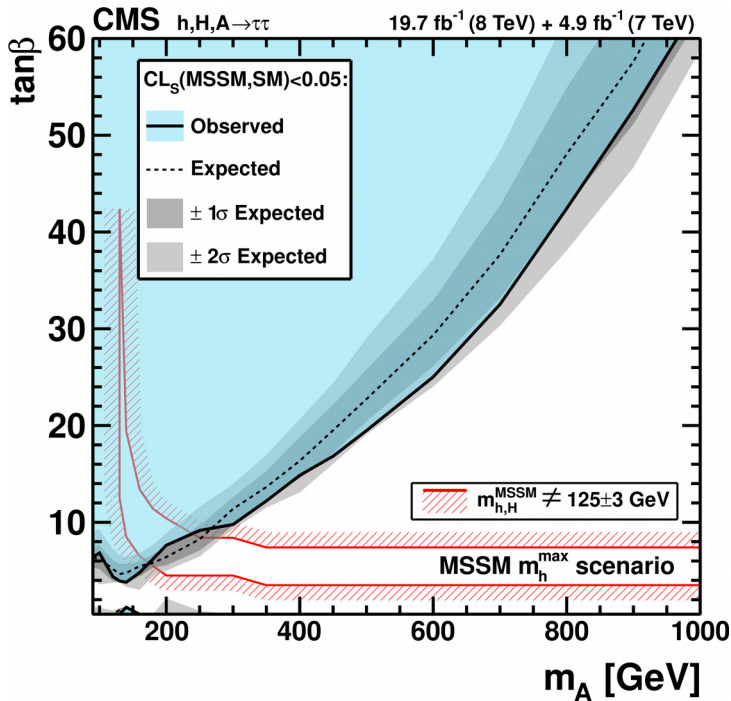
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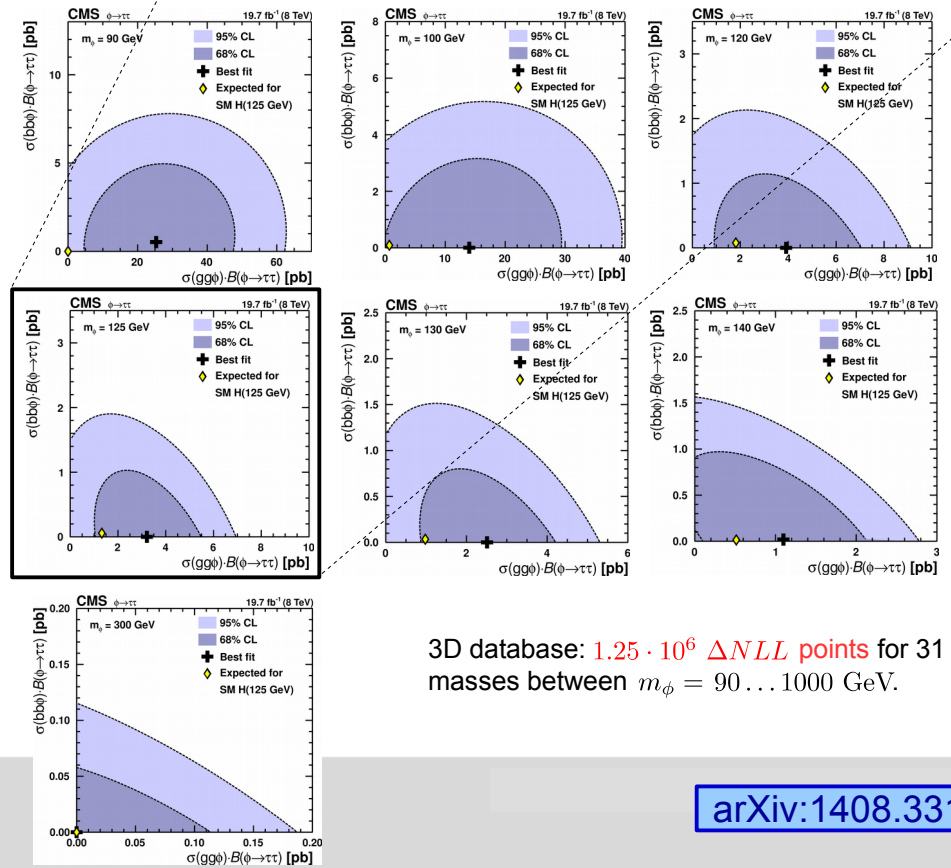
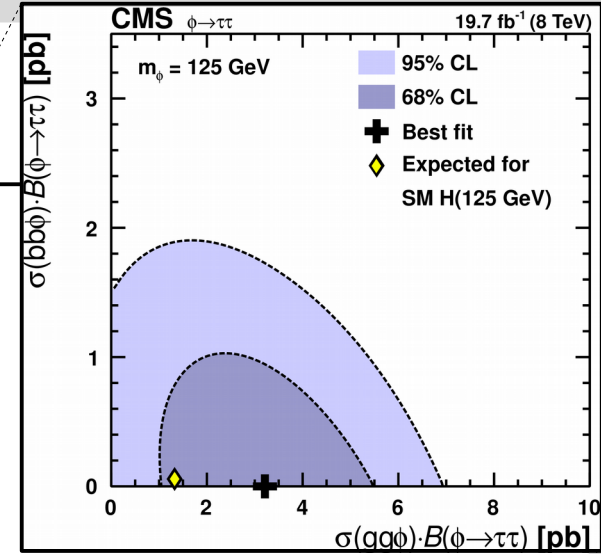
- Search for **additional peak(s)** in  $m_{\tau\tau}$  distribution.
- **Non-observation** of signal  $\rightarrow$  **limits in parameter space** of models.

# Presentation of limits ...

- Full exclusion (here in the  $m_h^{max}$  scenario):



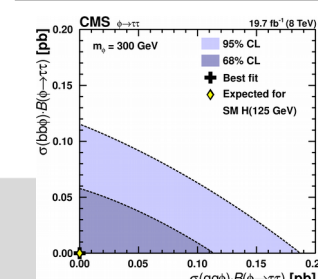
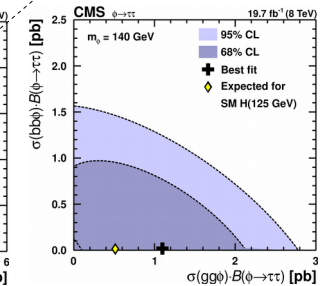
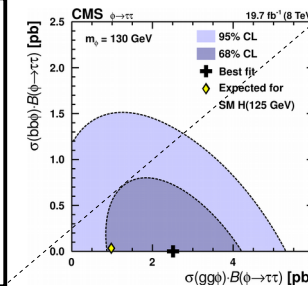
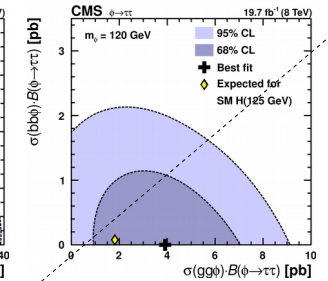
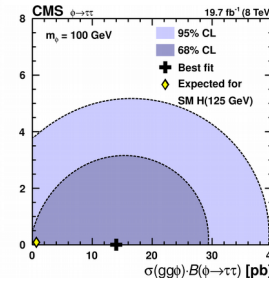
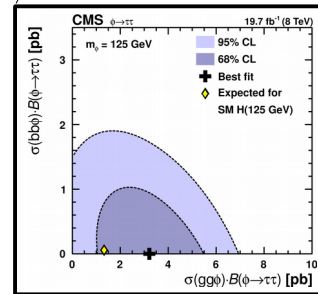
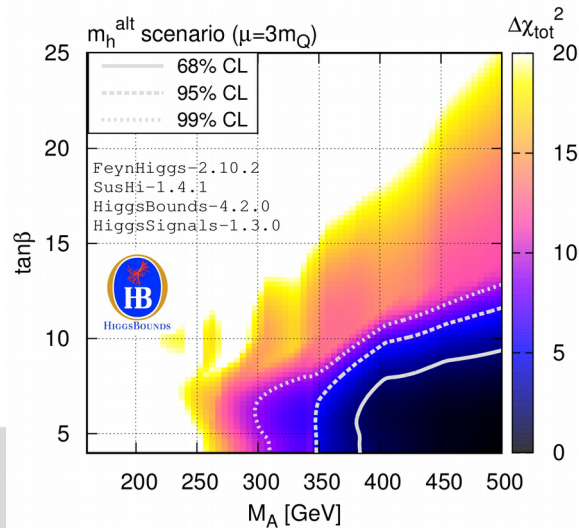
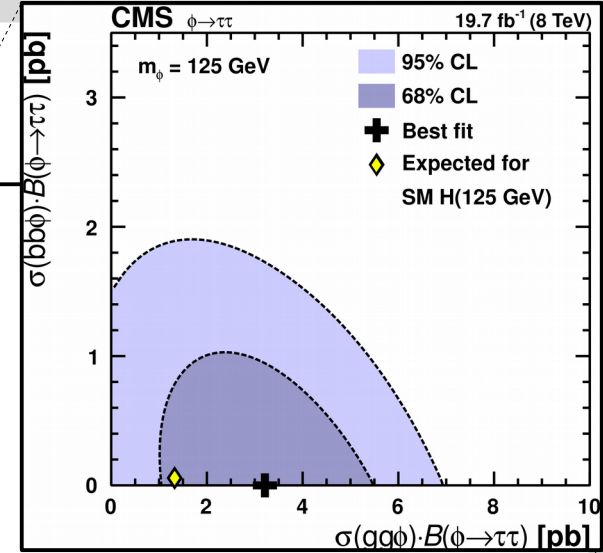
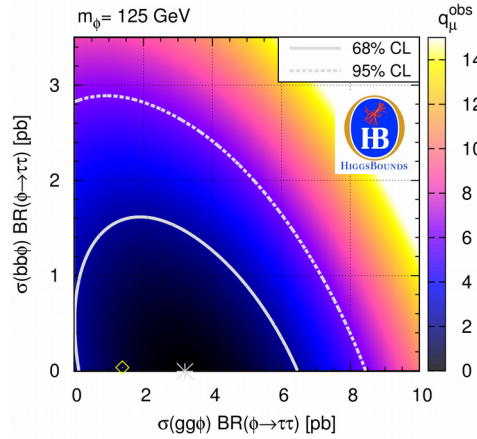
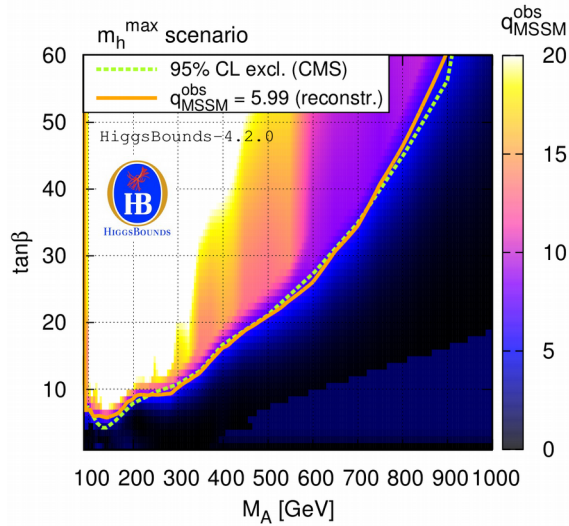
- Model independent limits (single narrow resonance search in  $gg\phi$  &  $bb\phi$  mode):



3D database:  $1.25 \cdot 10^6$   $\Delta NLL$  points for 31 masses between  $m_\phi = 90 \dots 1000$  GeV.

# ... picked up by theory

- First application to new models (using HiggsBounds): [arXiv:1507.06706](https://arxiv.org/abs/1507.06706)



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# Deliverables of this study

- In general better understanding **how signal will show up** in exclusion contour.
- Better understanding of relation b.t.w. **original exclusion in full benchmark** scenarios and **construction from model independent LH** information.

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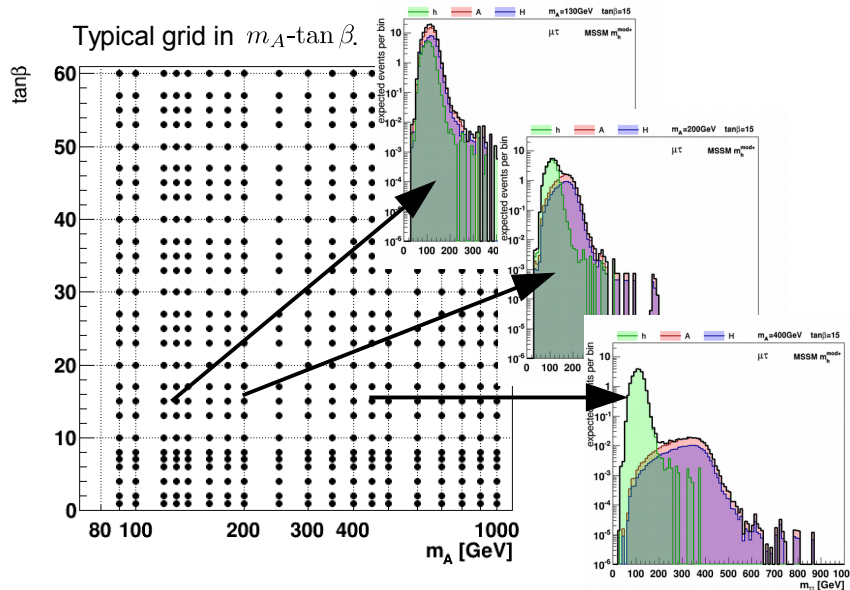
For this used **simplified model of**  
[arXiv:1408.3316](https://arxiv.org/abs/1408.3316) :

- 8TeV,  $\mu\tau$ -channel @ 30/fb.
- assume infinite statistics for MC templates.

# Recall: limit construction algorithms

Direct limit on full benchmark:

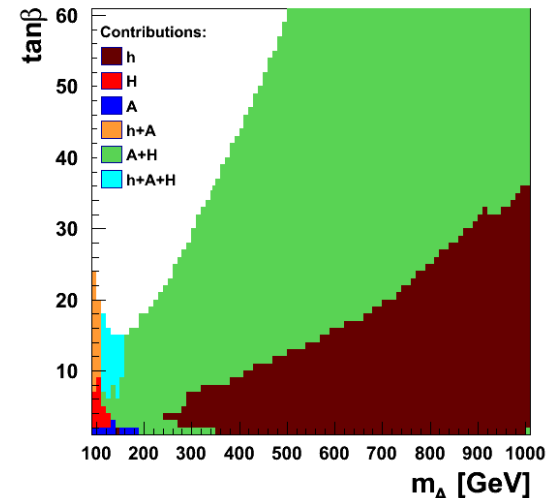
- For fixed values in  $(m_A, \tan\beta)$  build **templates composed of  $h + H + A$**  according to model.



- vary whole template** (scaling factor  $\mu$ ).
- for fixed value of  $m_A$  **find value of  $\tan\beta$**  where  $CL_s(\mu = 1) = 0.05$ .

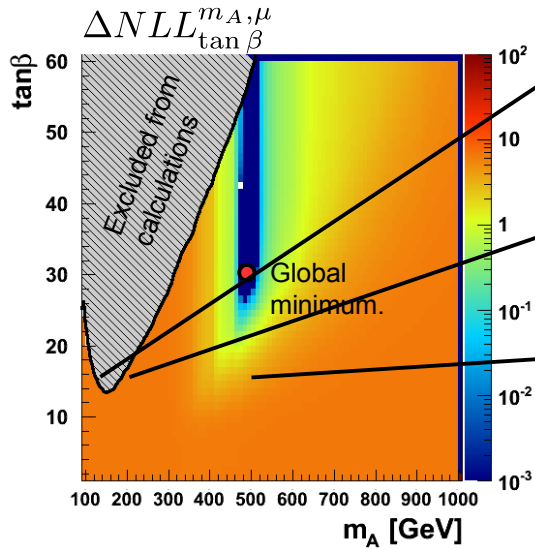
Re-interpretation from LH:

- Cluster Higgs bosons** if they are close to each other (within exp. Resolution).
- Determine **cluster with highest expected exclusion sensitivity** (i.e. largest  $\Delta NLL_{exp}$  from DB based on BG-only *Asimov* dataset).



- Read off  $\Delta NLL_{obs}$**  for each given point of  $(m_A, \tan\beta)$  from DB based on data.

# LH components

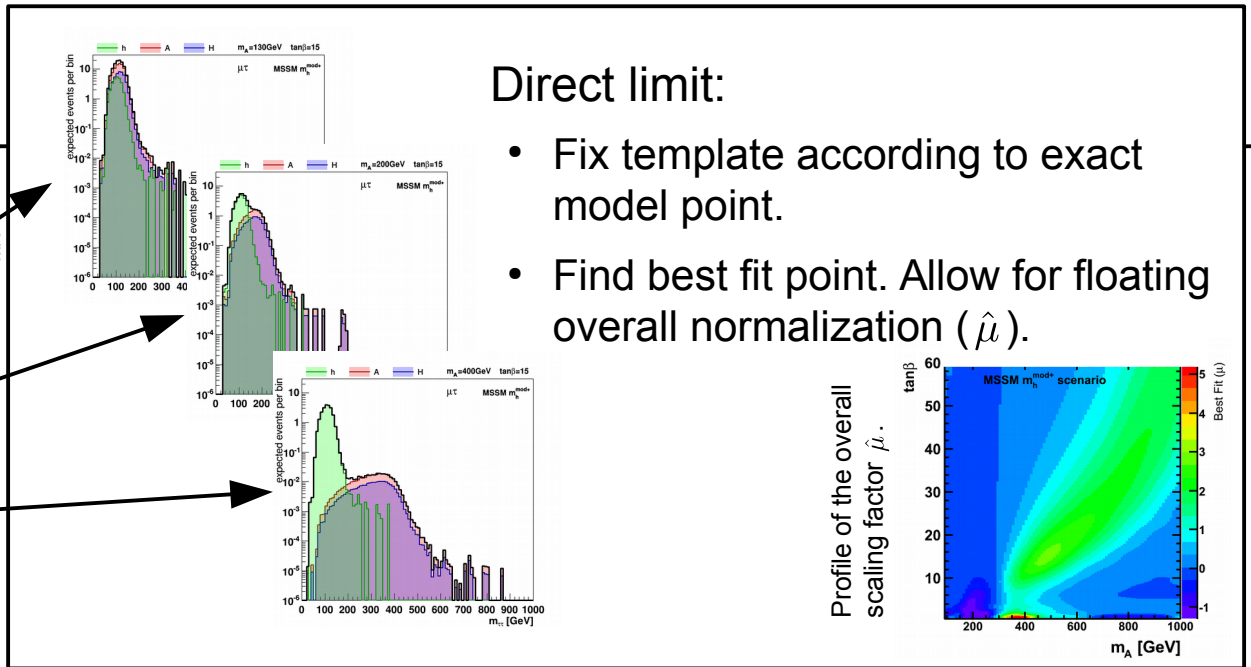


$$\Delta NLL_{\tan \beta}^{m_A, \mu} = \ln \left( \frac{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta}_{\hat{\mu}}) |_{\tan \beta}^{m_A}}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\hat{\mu}}, \hat{\hat{\theta}}_{\hat{\hat{\mu}}})} \right)$$

“ $\Delta NLL(m_A, \tan \beta)$  w.r.t. global minimum with floating  $\mu$ ”.

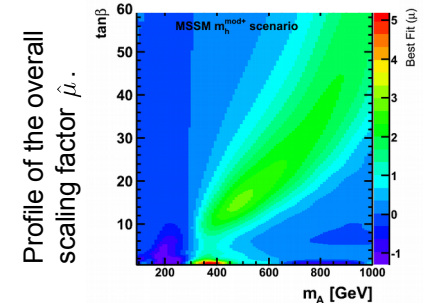
Pseudo-dataset (30/fb):

BG +  $m_h^{mod+}$   $m_A = 500$ ,  $\tan \beta = 30$



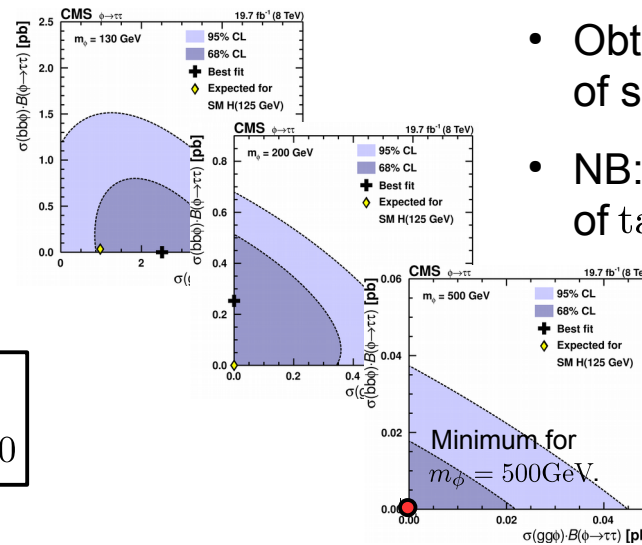
Direct limit:

- Fix template according to exact model point.
- Find best fit point. Allow for floating overall normalization ( $\hat{\mu}$ ).



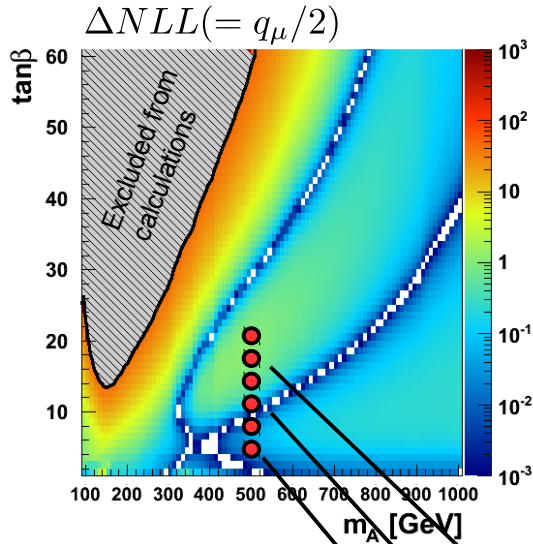
Re-interpretation:

- Obtain  $\Delta NLL$  from minimum of scan for given  $m_\phi$ .
- NB: does not vary as function of  $\tan \beta$ .



NB: plots do not corresp. to pseudo-dataset, but to CMS publication.

# LH components

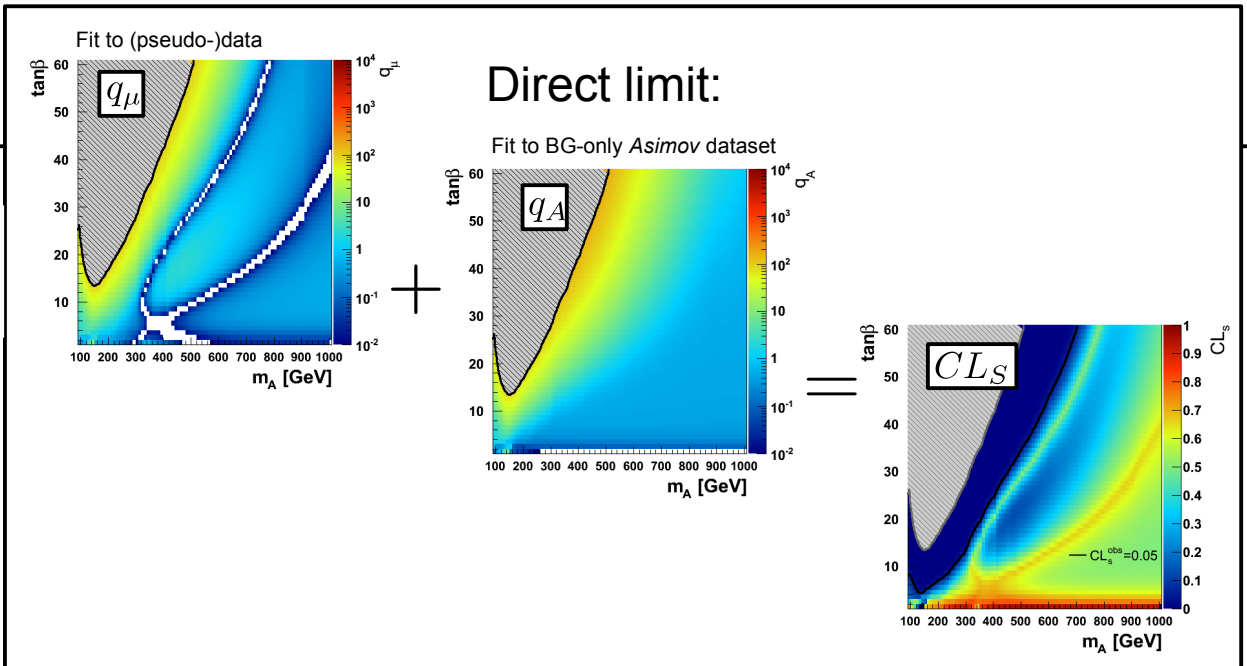


$$\Delta NLL = \ln \left( \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu=1, \hat{\theta}_{\mu=1})|_{\tan\beta}^{m_A}}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta}_{\hat{\mu}})|_{\tan\beta}^{m_A}} \right)$$

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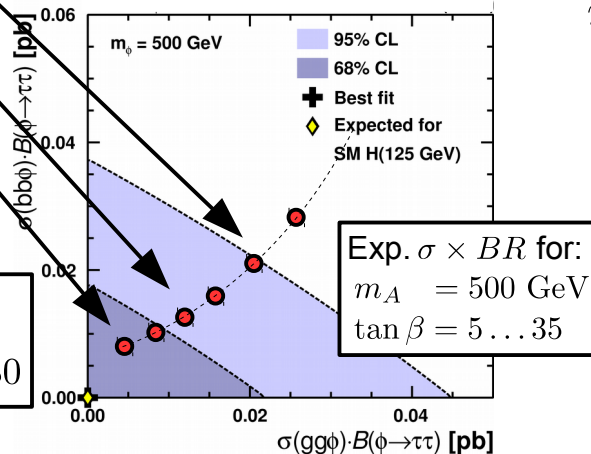
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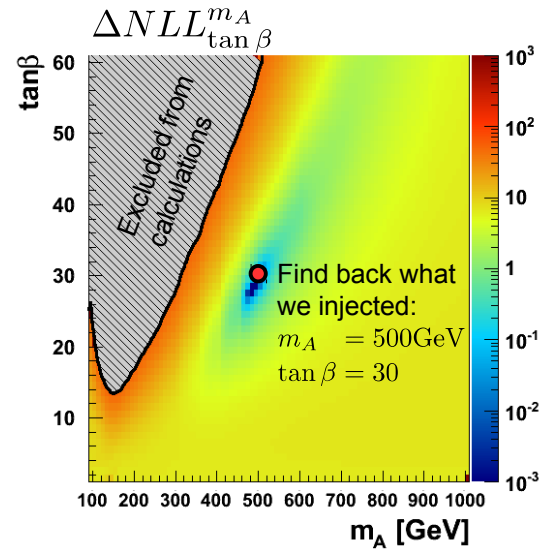
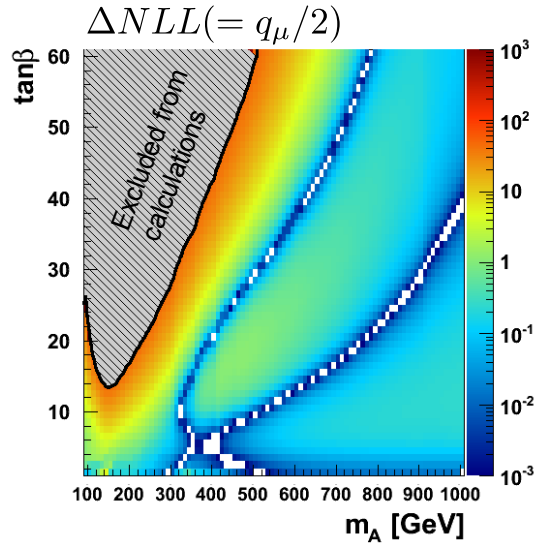
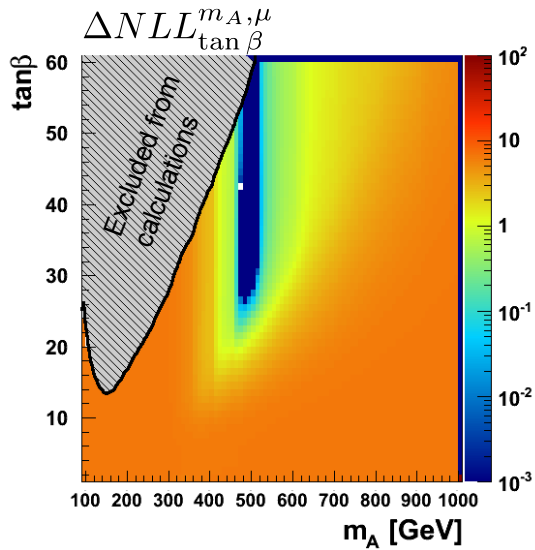
## Re-interpretation:

- Read off  $\Delta NLL$  and apply to  $m_A$ -tan $\beta$  plot.



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# LH components



Direct limit

$$\Delta NLL_{\tan \beta}^{m_A, \mu} = \ln \left( \frac{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta}_{\hat{\mu}})|_{\tan \beta}^{m_A}}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta}_{\hat{\mu}})} \right) + \Delta NLL = \ln \left( \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu=1, \hat{\theta}_{\mu=1})|_{\tan \beta}^{m_A}}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta}_{\hat{\mu}})|_{\tan \beta}^{m_A}} \right) = \Delta NLL_{\tan \beta}^{m_A} = \ln \left( \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu=1, \hat{\theta}_{\mu=1})|_{\tan \beta}^{m_A}}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta}_{\hat{\mu}})} \right)$$

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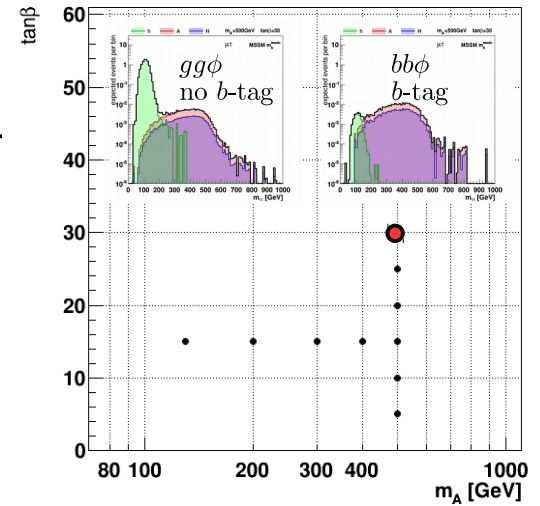
$$\text{BG} + m_h^{\text{mod}+} \quad m_A = 500, \tan \beta = 30$$

# Walk across $(m_A, \tan \beta)$ plane

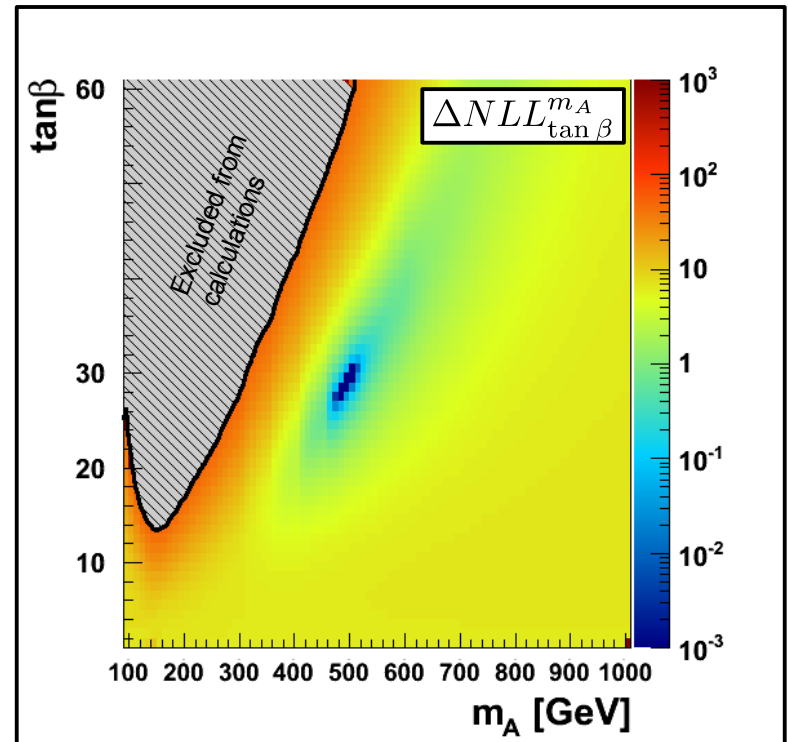
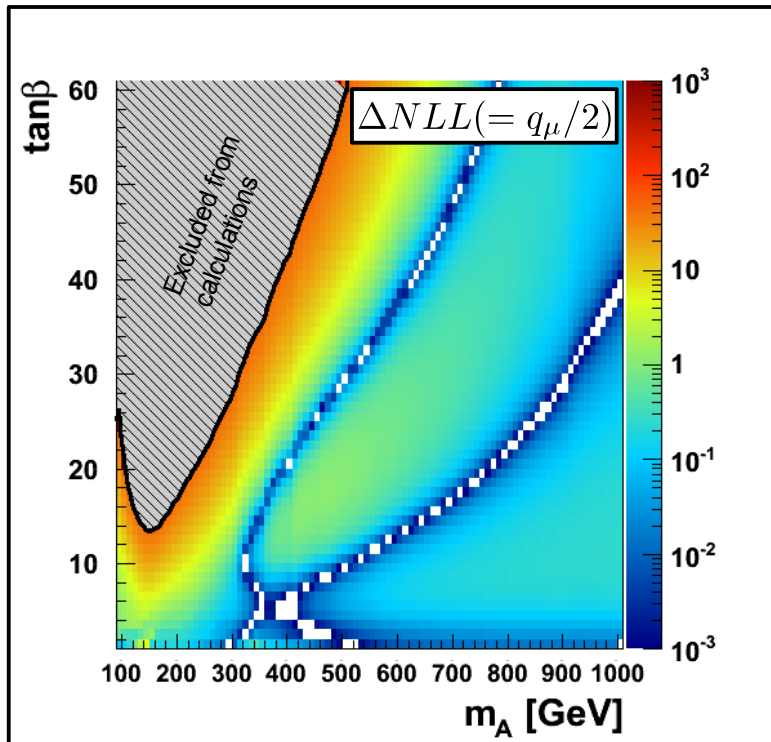
- Inject signal for decreasing values of  $\tan \beta$ :

$$m_h^{mod+} \quad m_A = 500 \text{ GeV} \quad \tan \beta = 30$$

- Investigate behavior of signal templates & likelihood.



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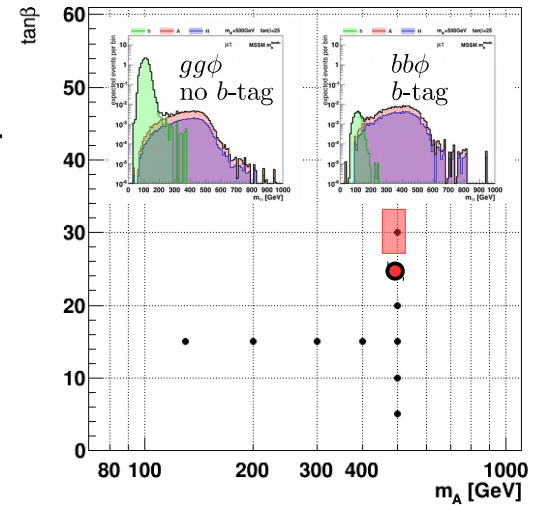


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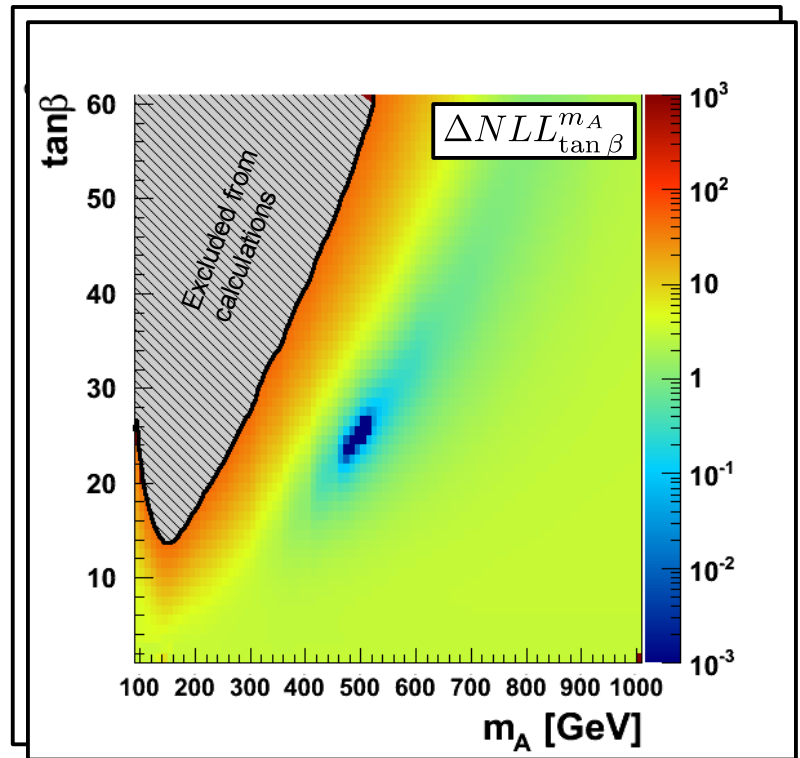
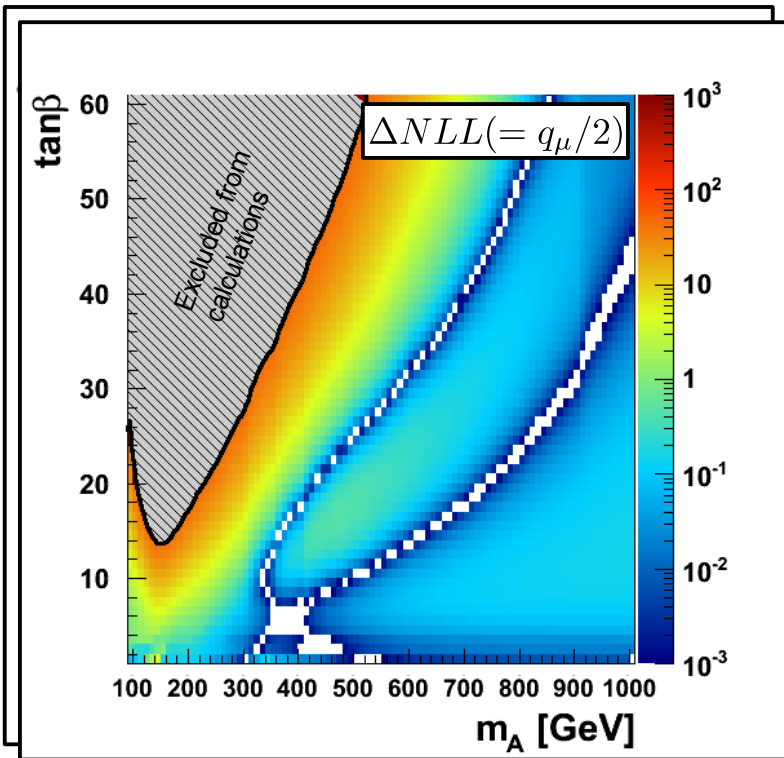
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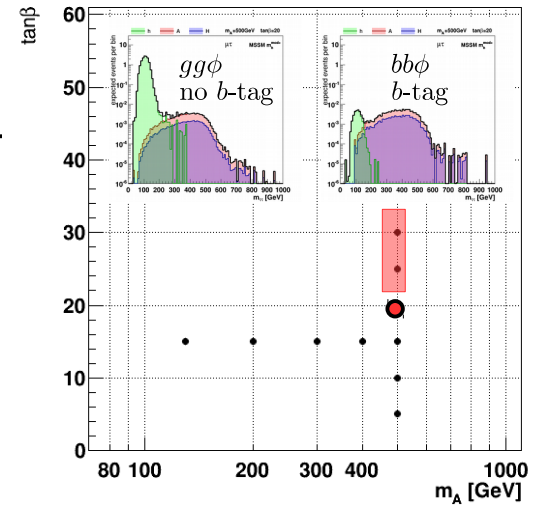


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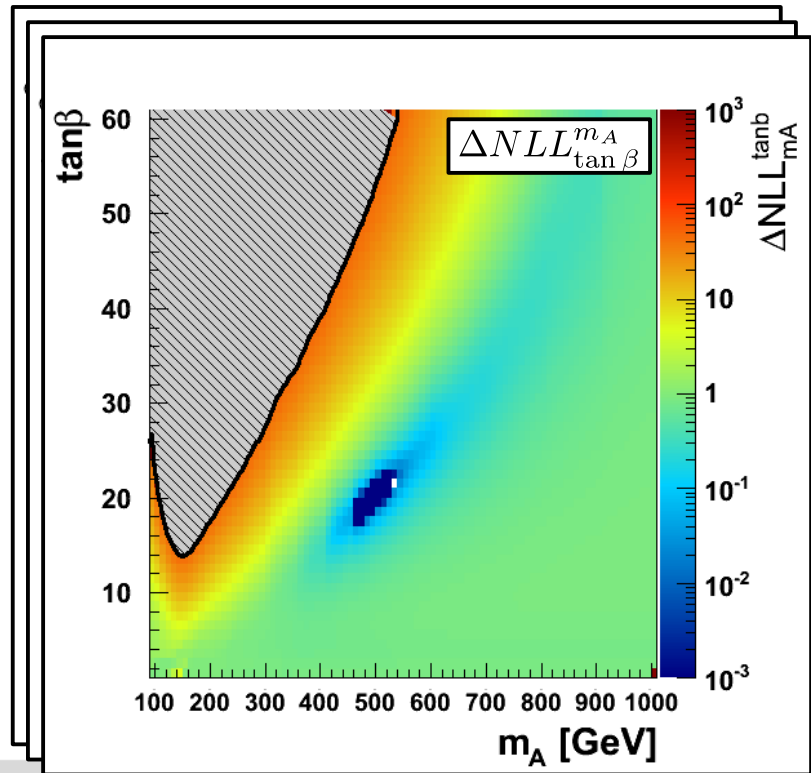
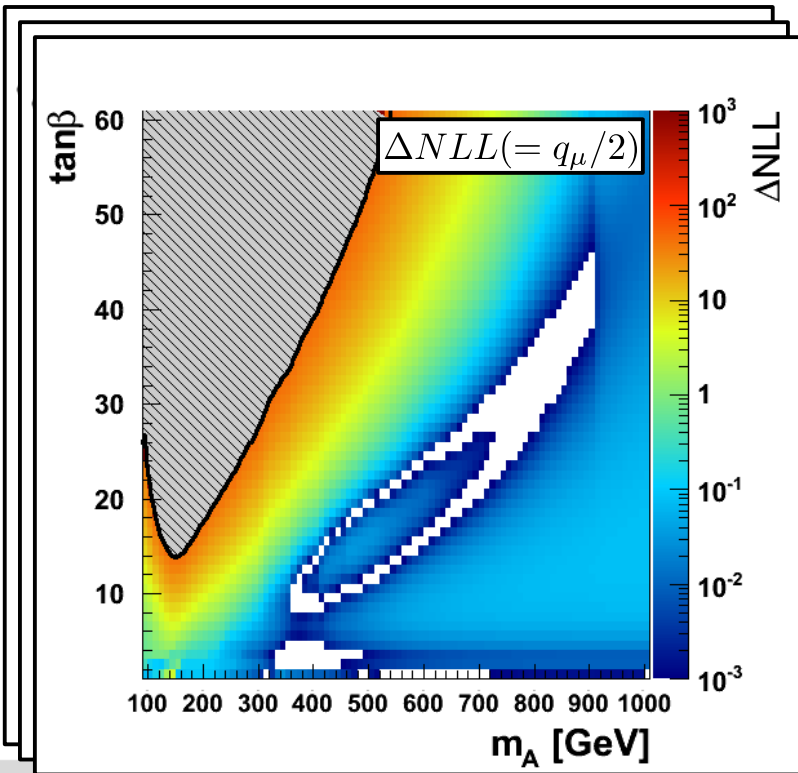
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- Investigate behavior of signal templates & likelihood.



Direct limit



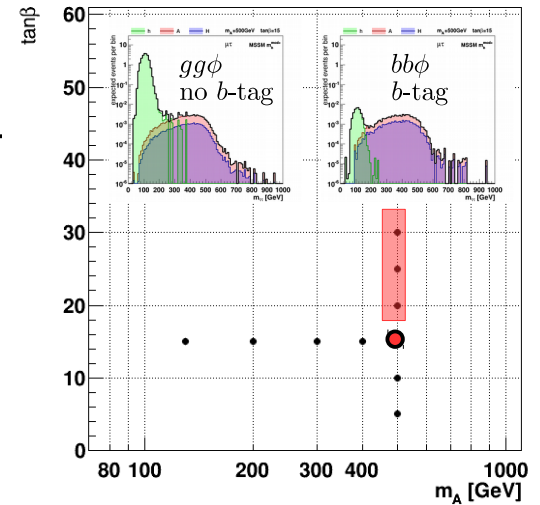


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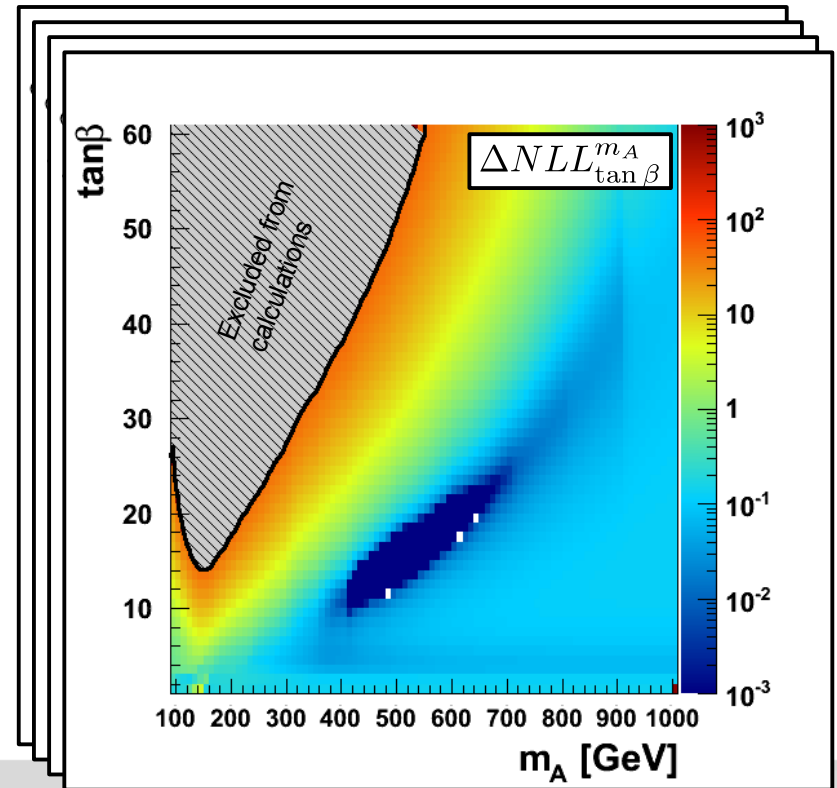
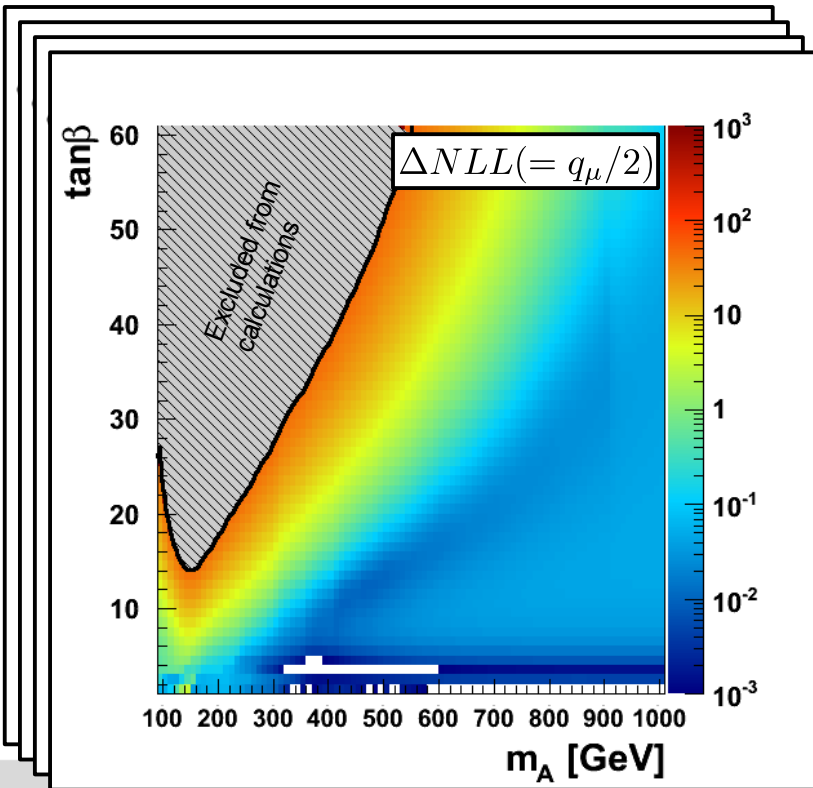
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- Investigate behavior of signal templates & likelihood.



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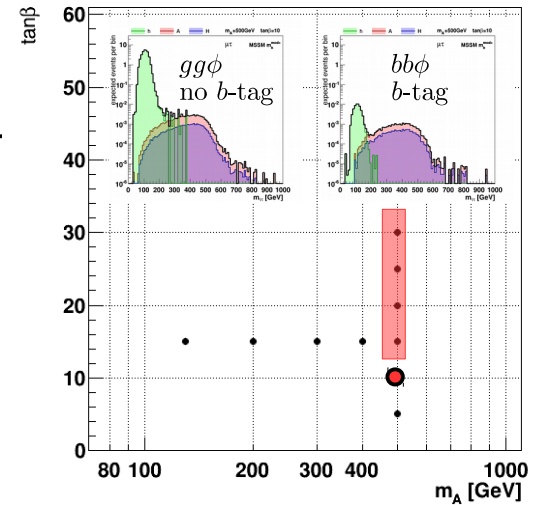


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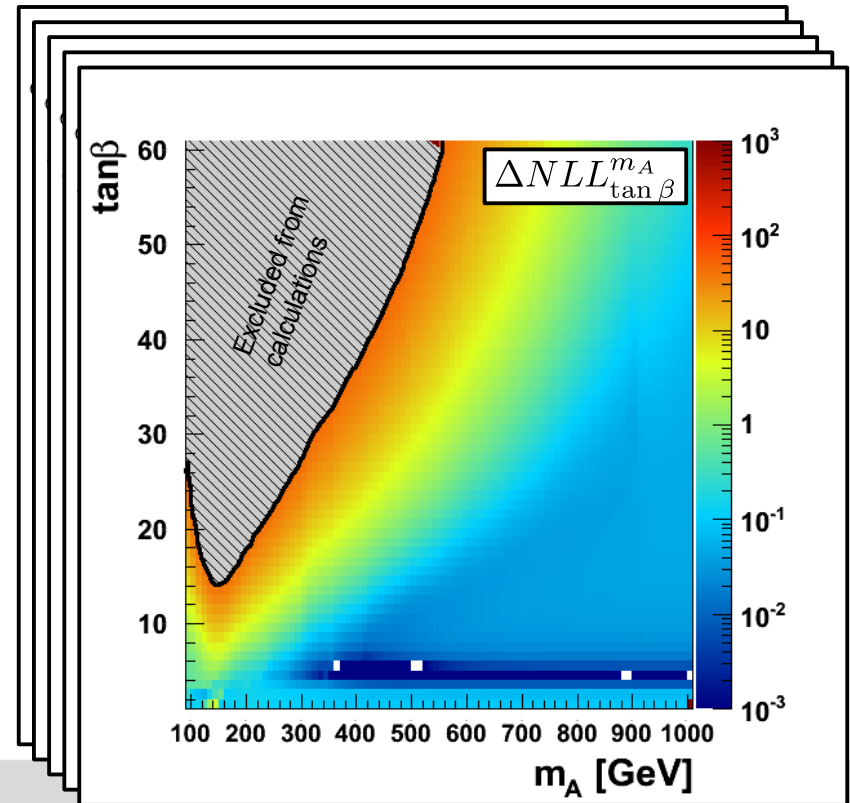
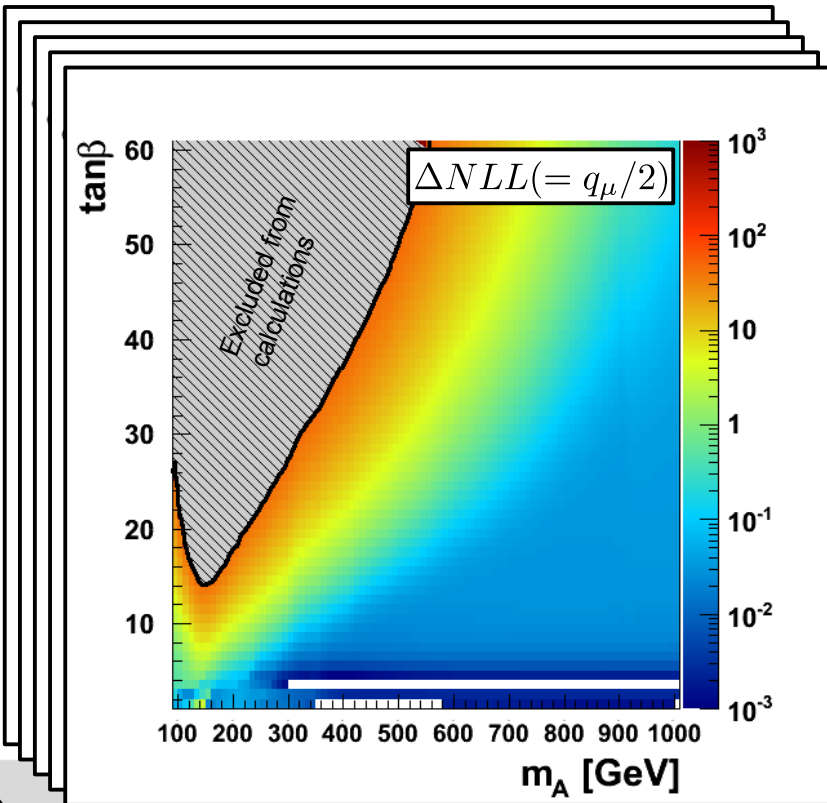
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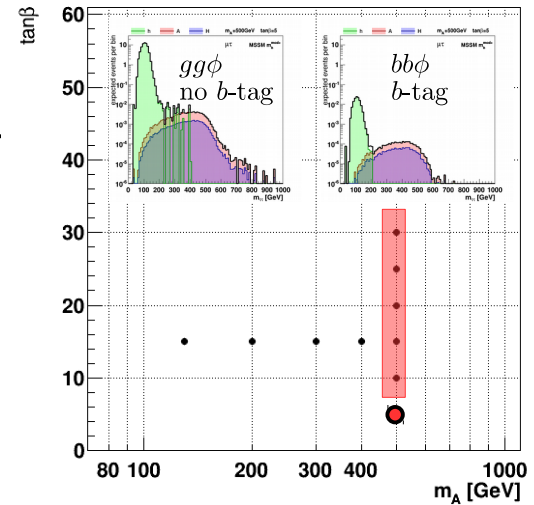


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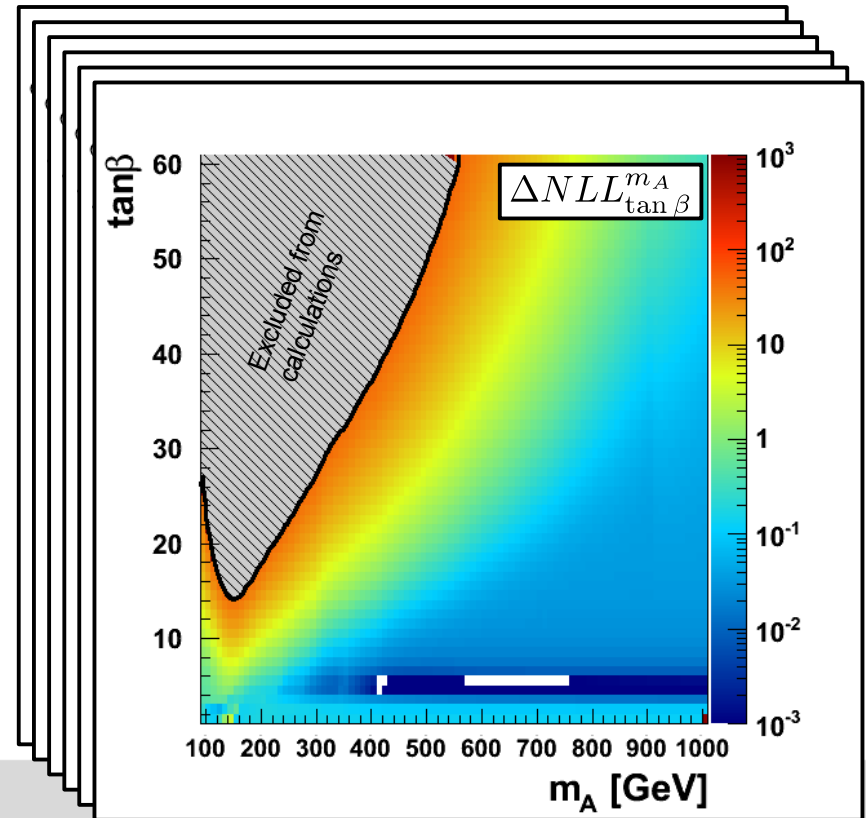
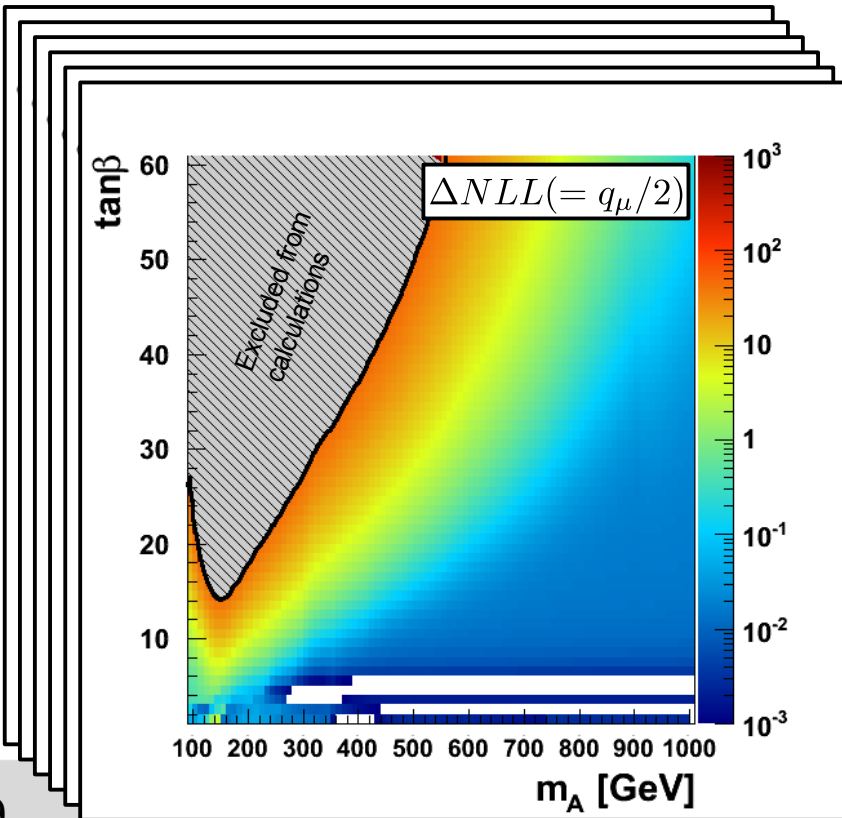
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- Investigate behavior of signal templates & likelihood.



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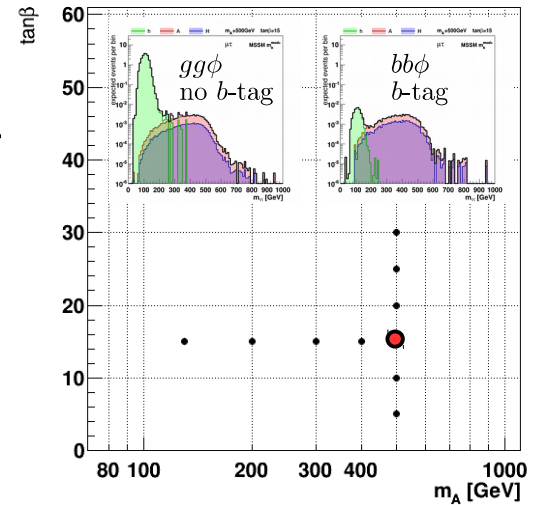


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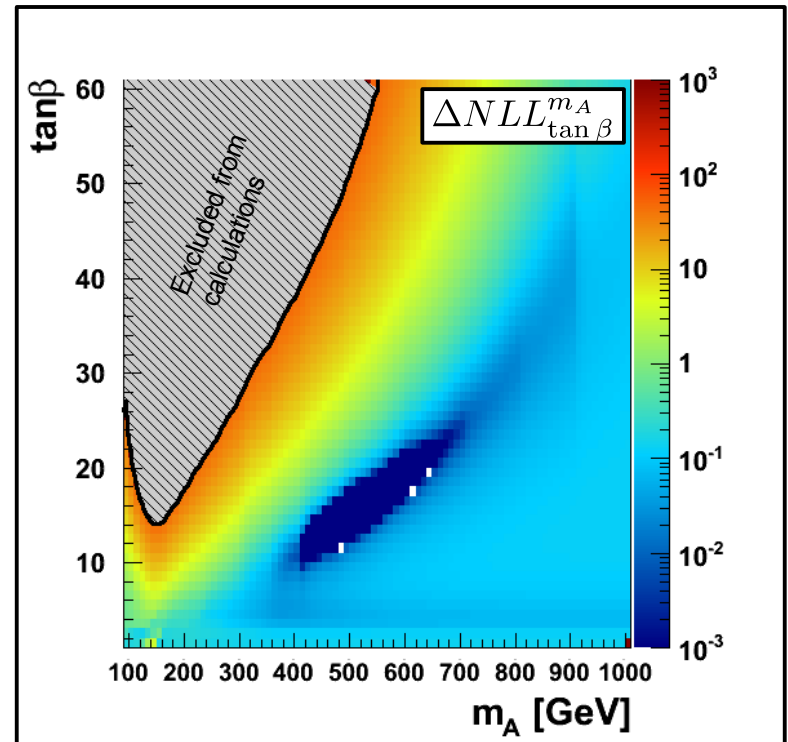
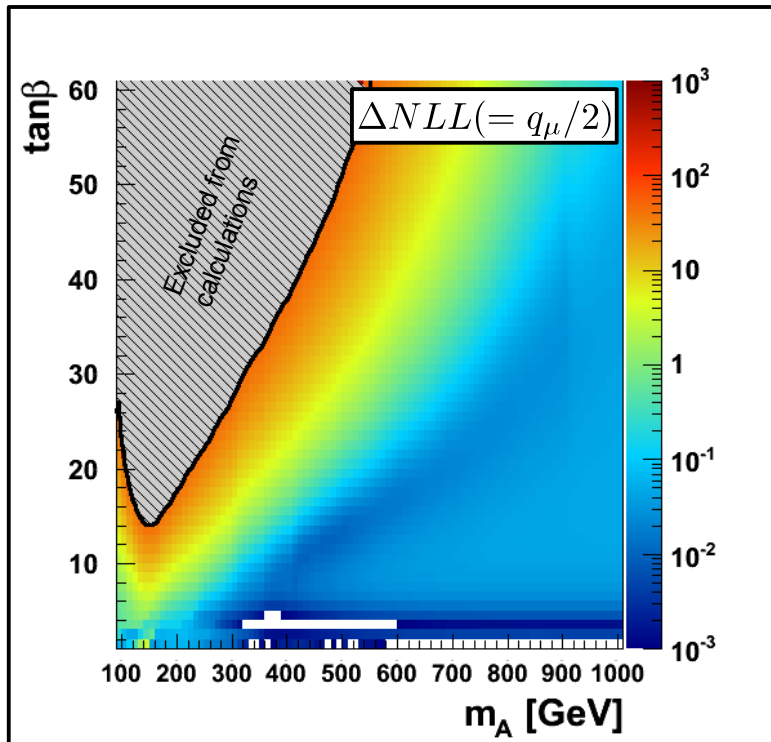
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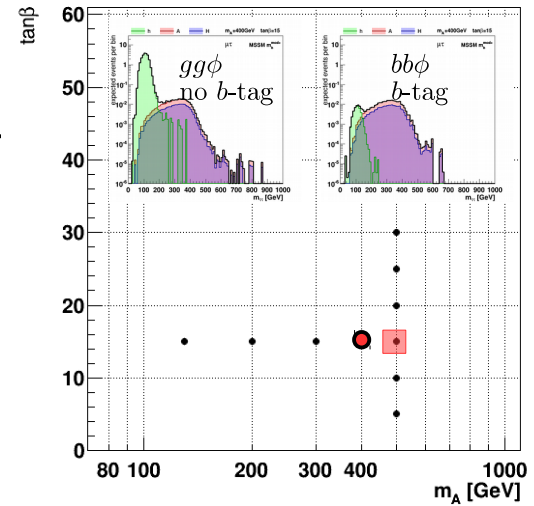


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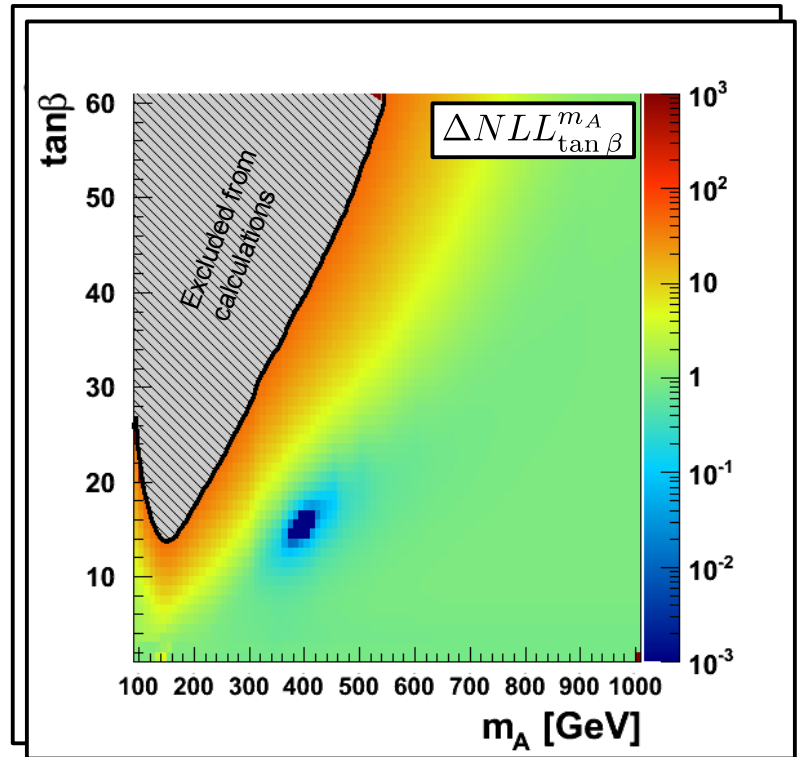
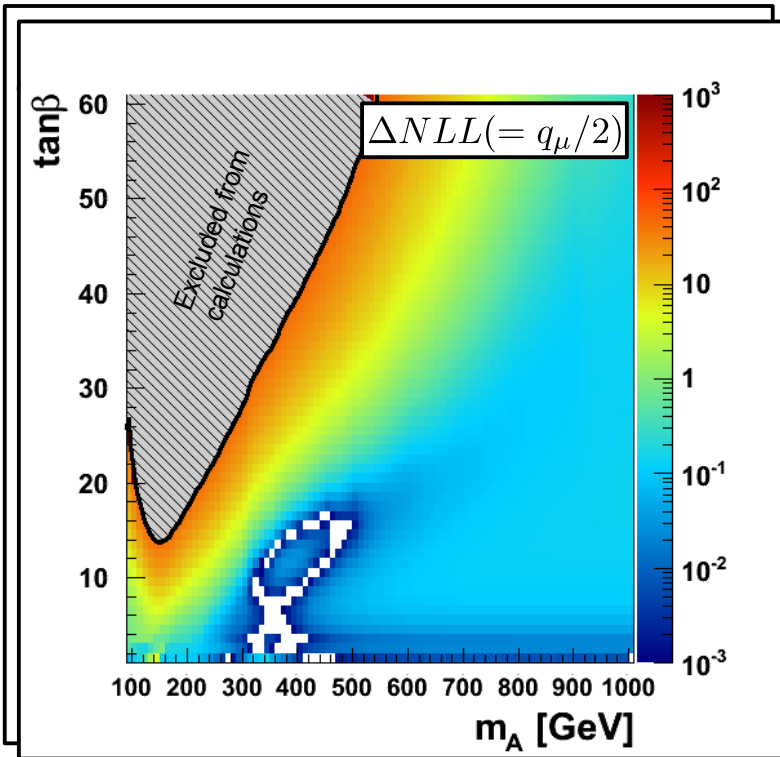
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- Investigate behavior of signal templates & likelihood.



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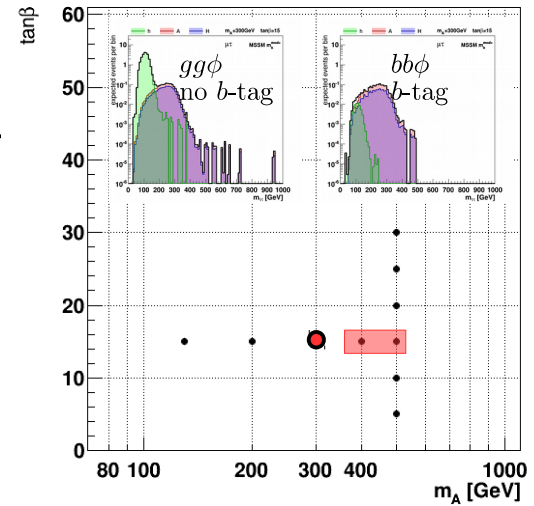


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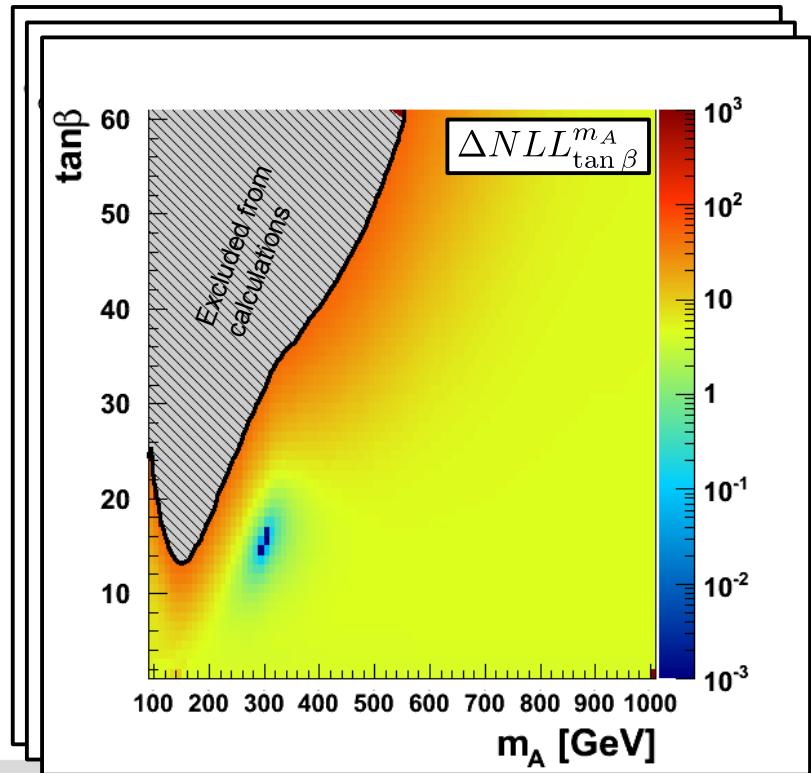
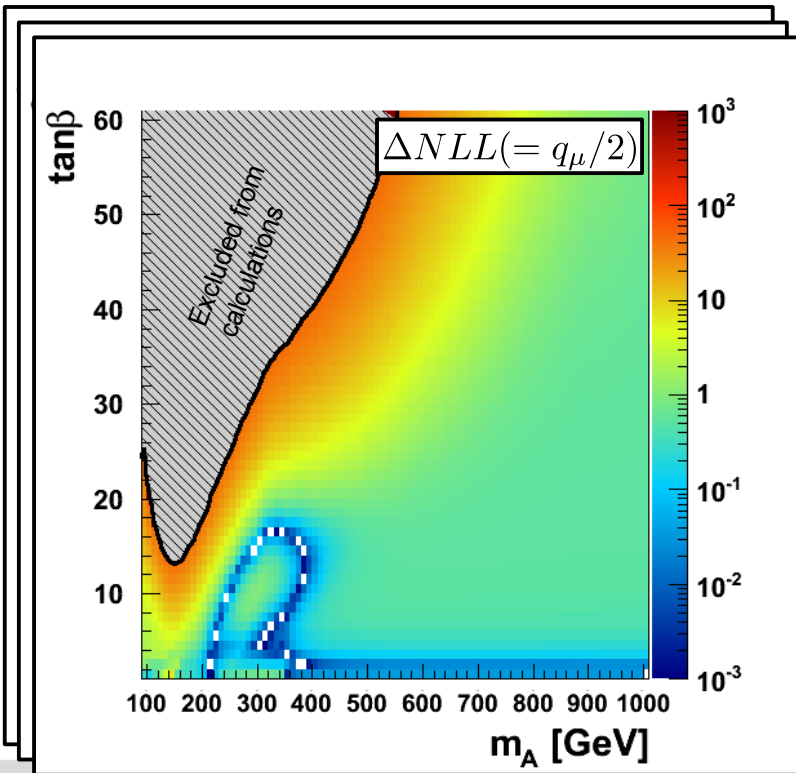
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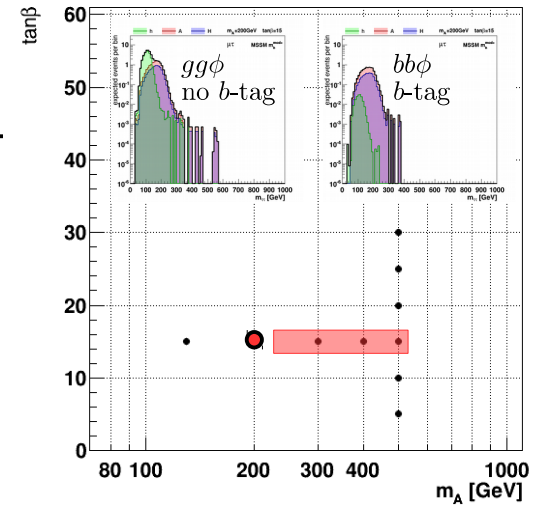


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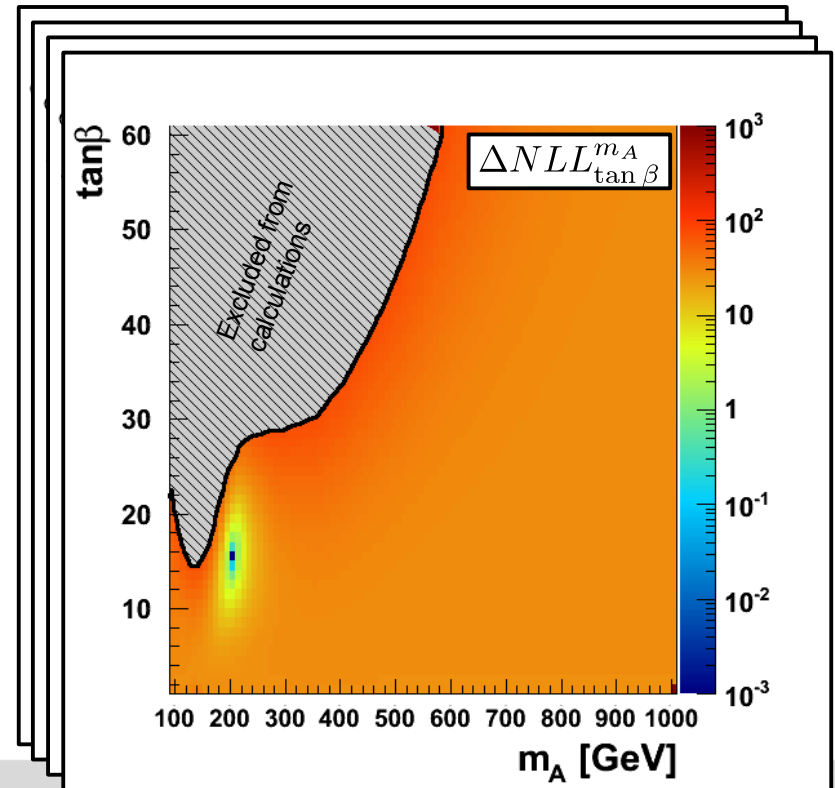
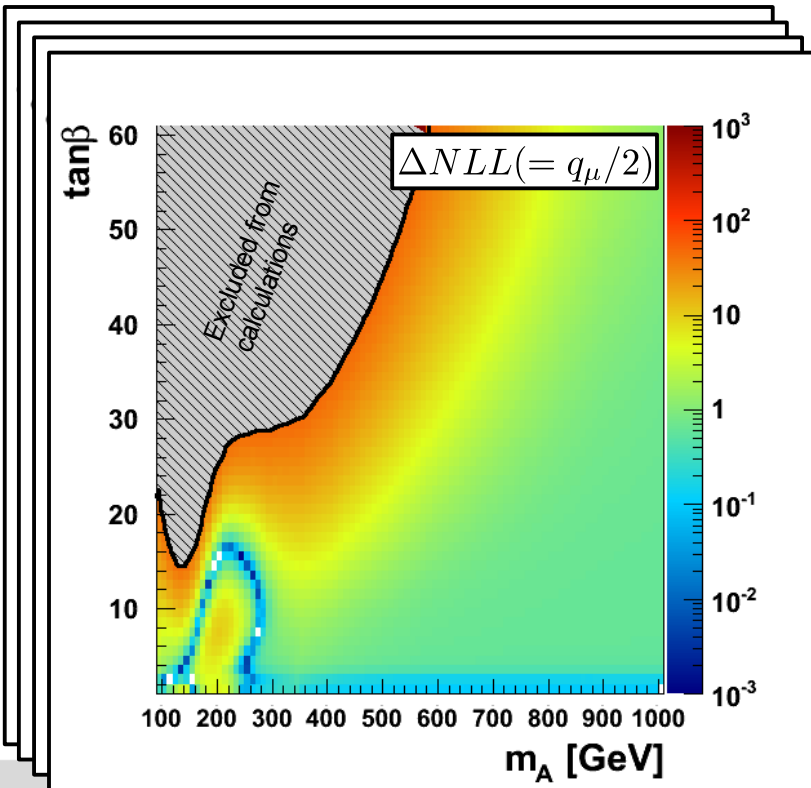
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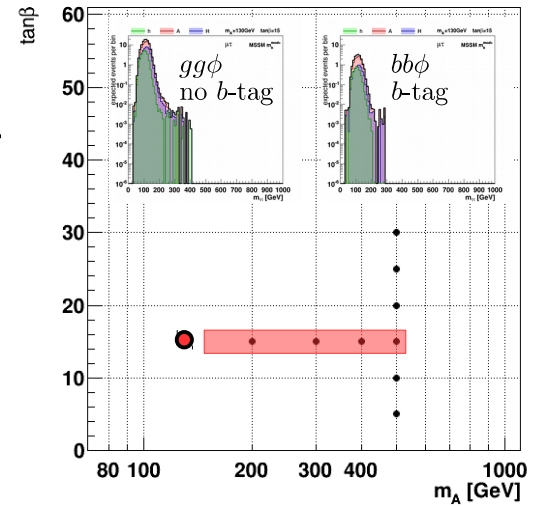


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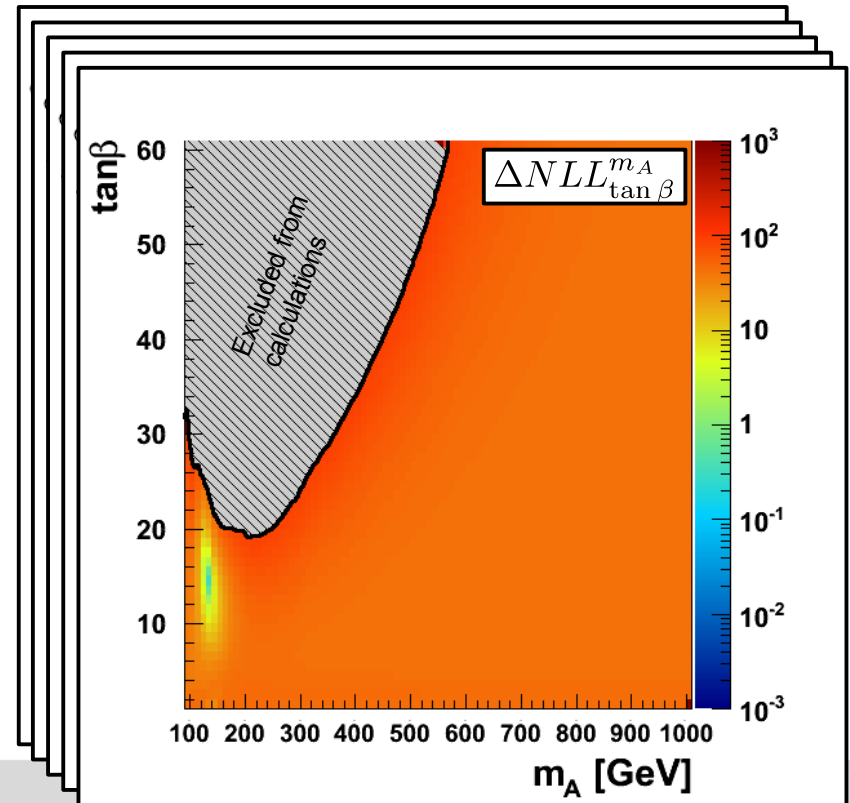
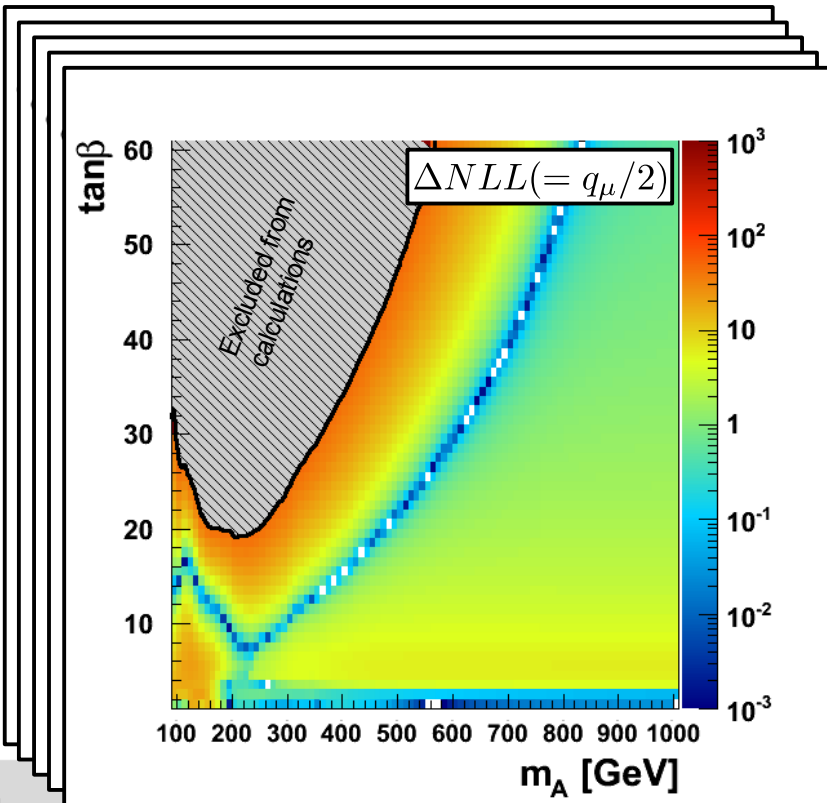
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- Investigate behavior of signal templates & likelihood.

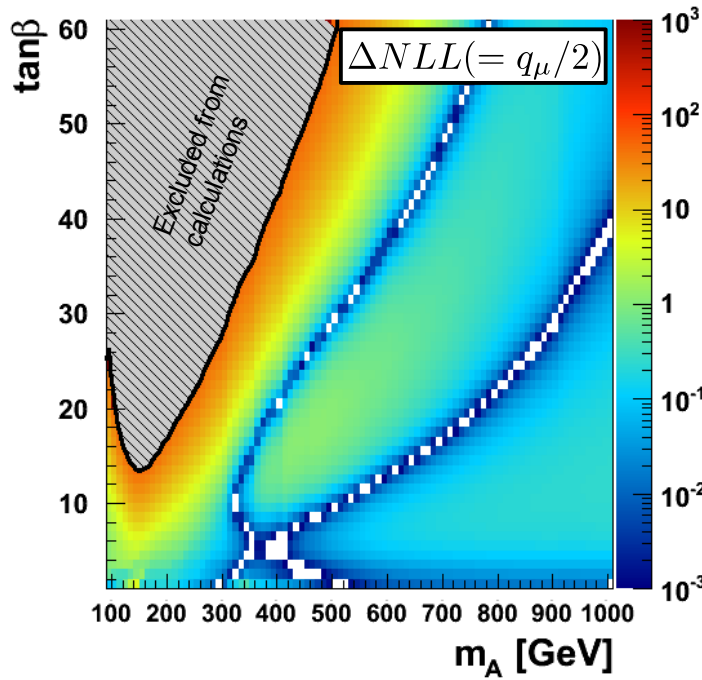
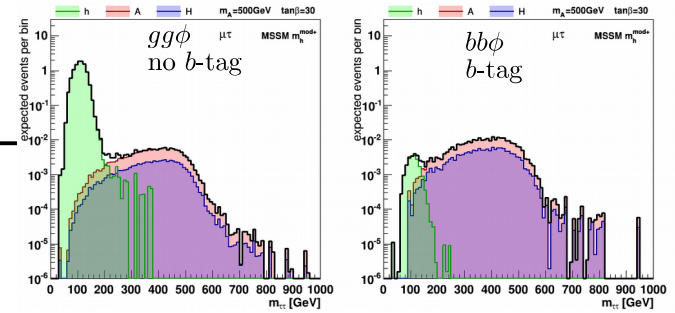


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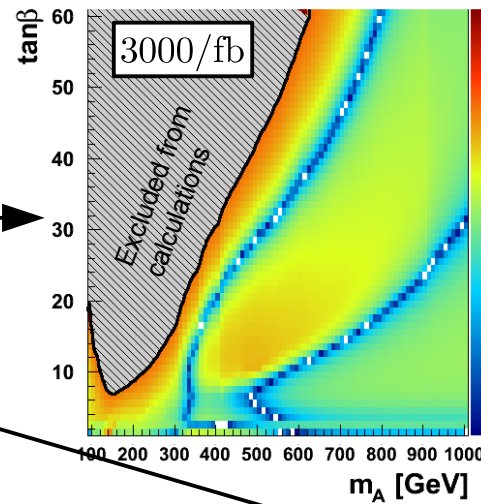




# Investigating the structure of $\Delta NLL$

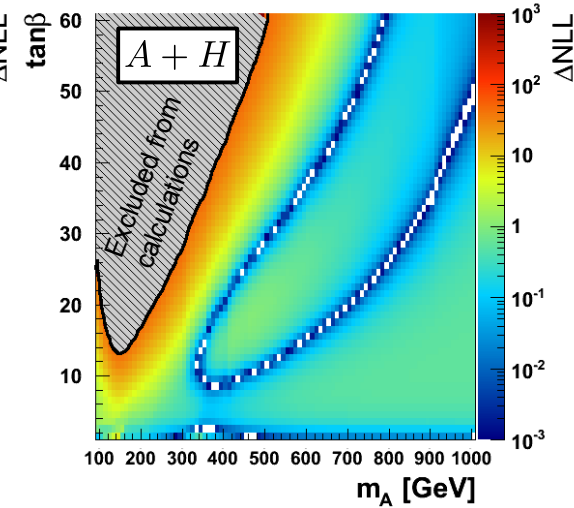
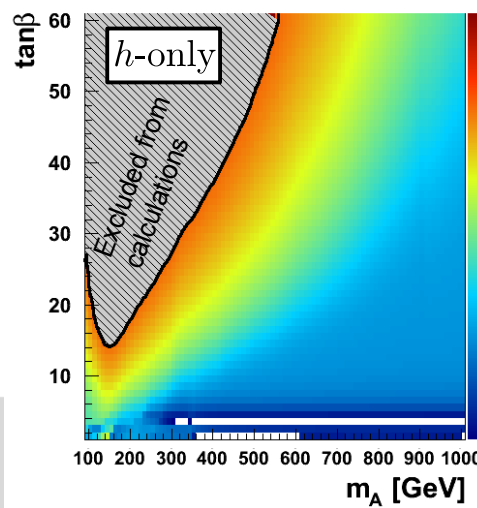


Increase target luminosity from 30/fb to 3000/fb.



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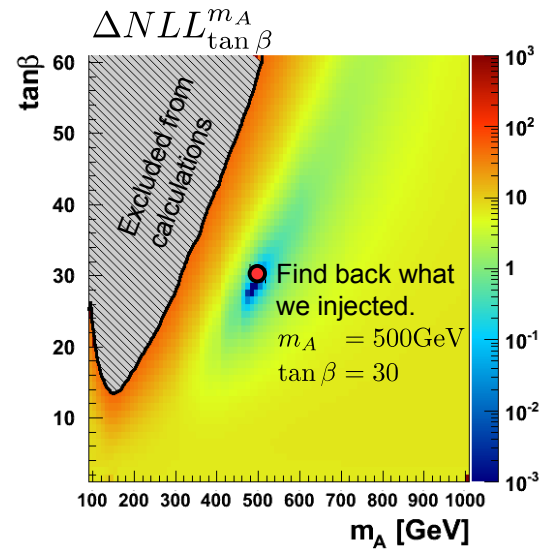
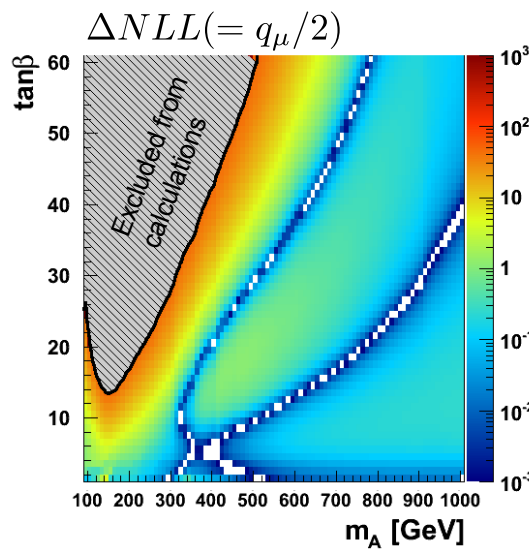
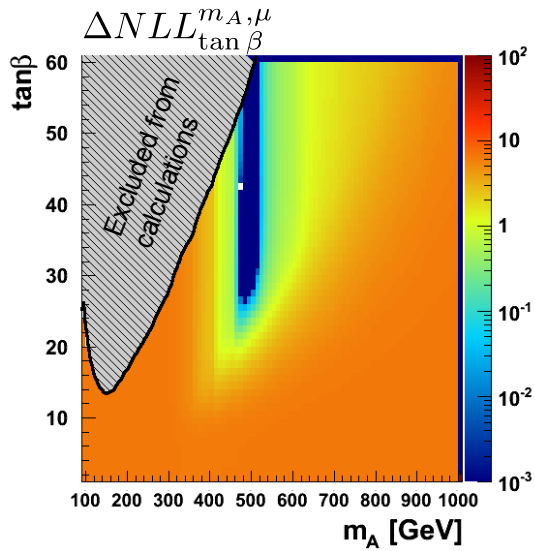
Contributions of individual signal components to signature.



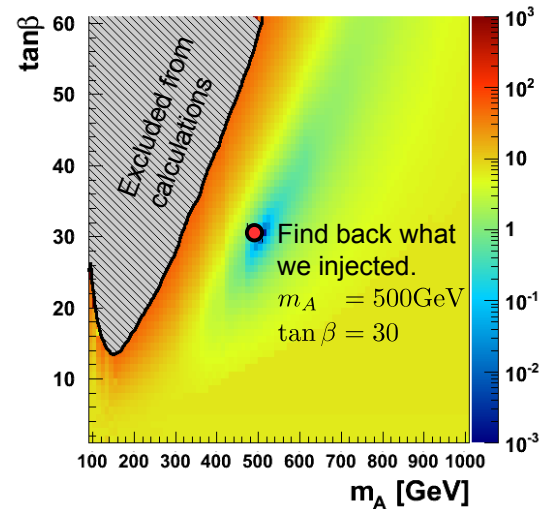
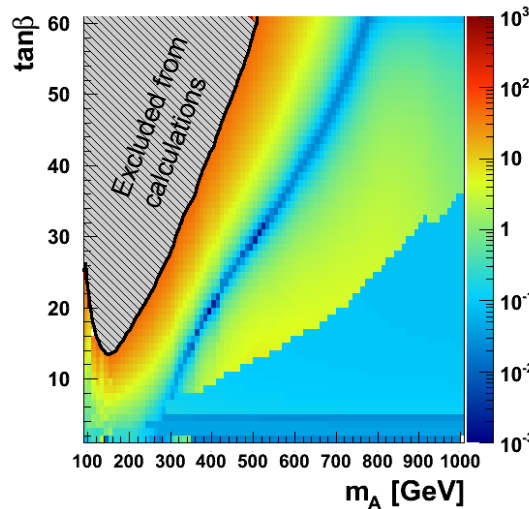
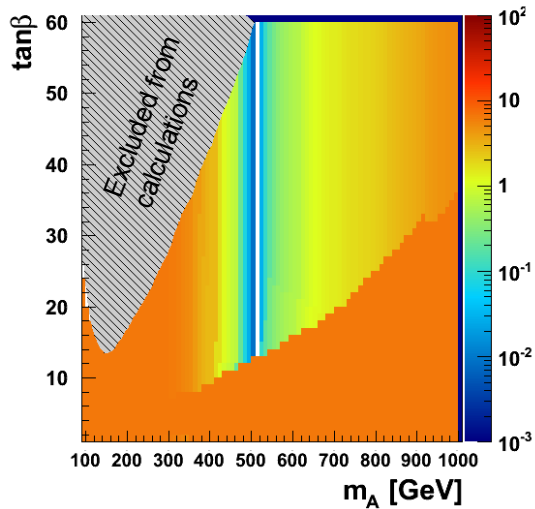
Pseudo-dataset:

BG +  $m_h^{mod+}$   $m_A = 500$ ,  $\tan\beta = 30$

# Method comparison

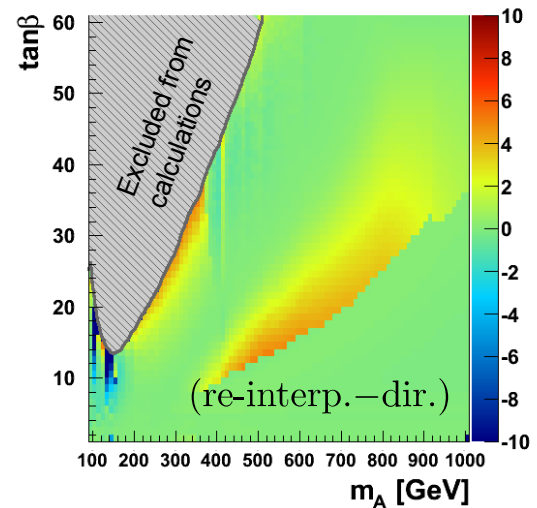
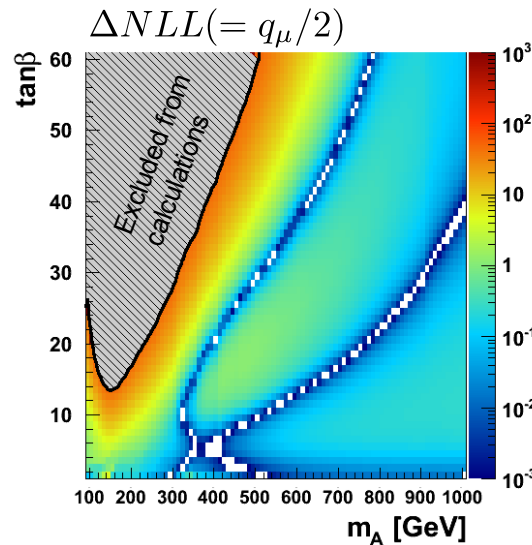
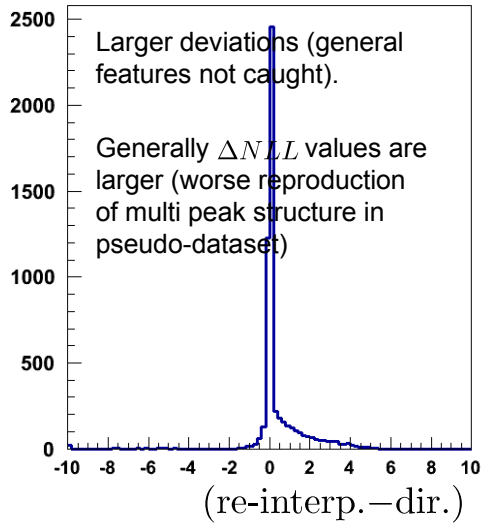
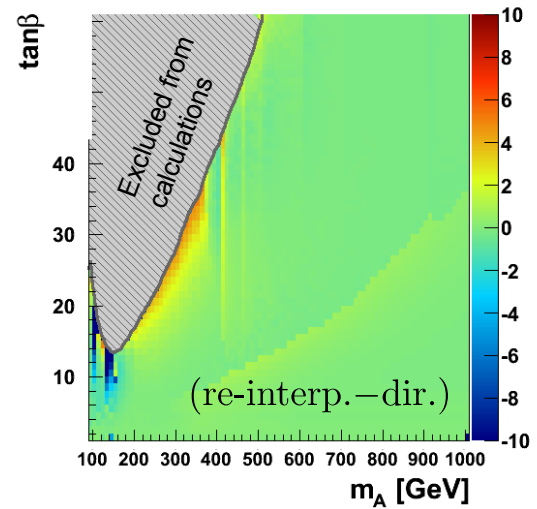
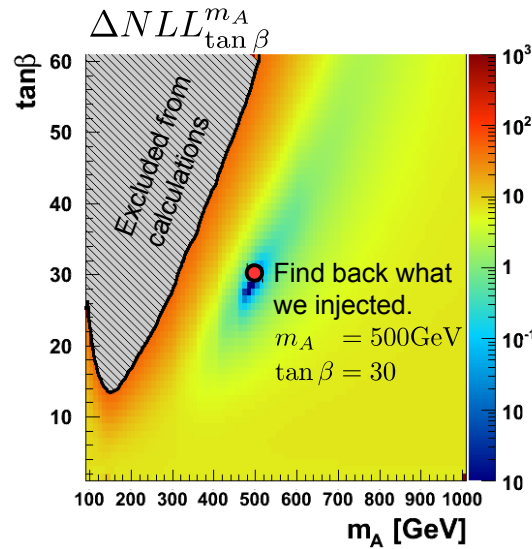
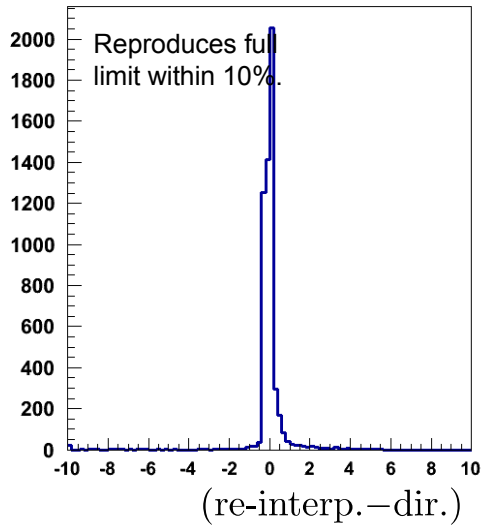


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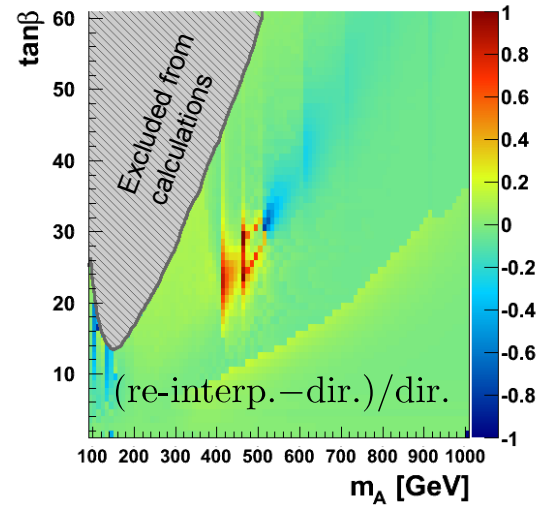
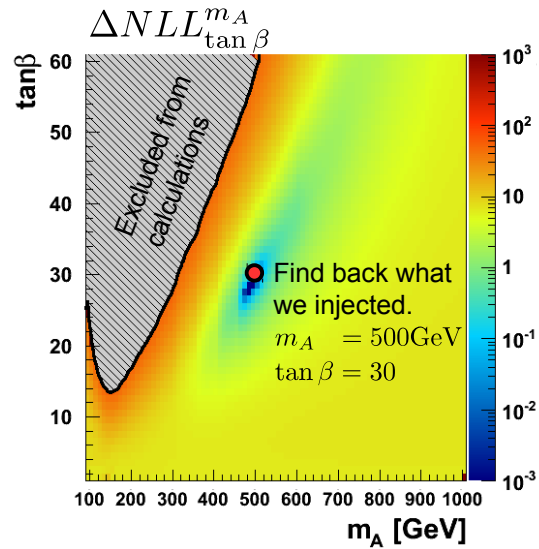
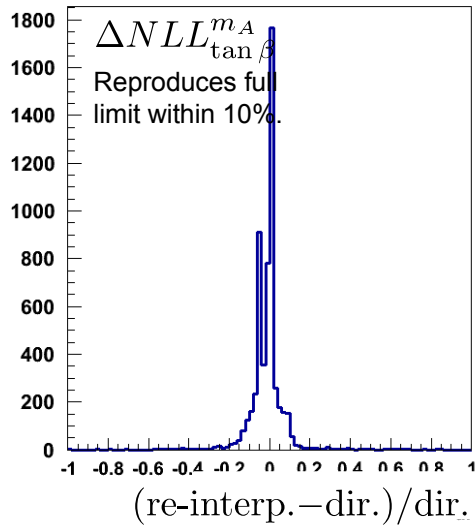


Re-interpretation

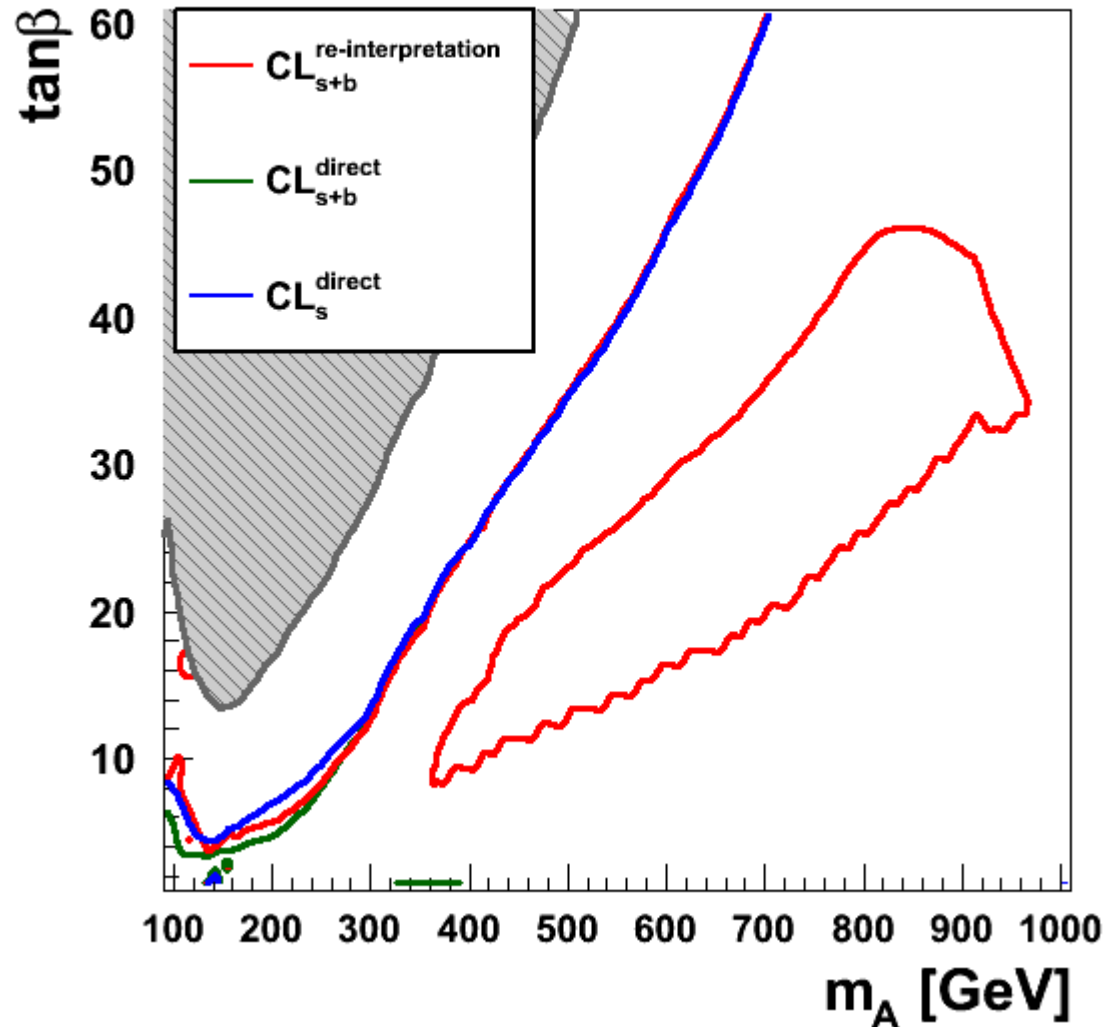
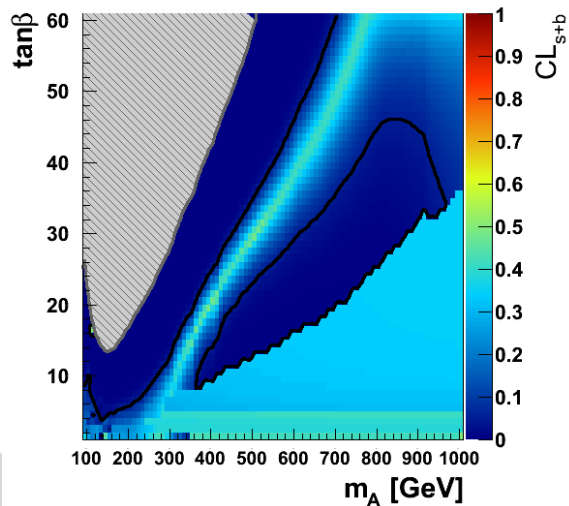
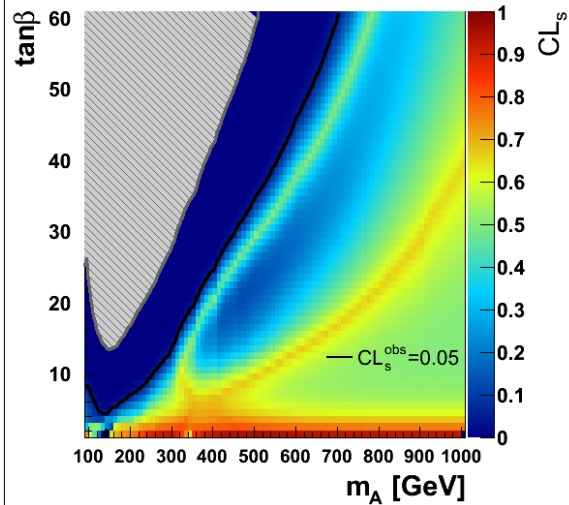
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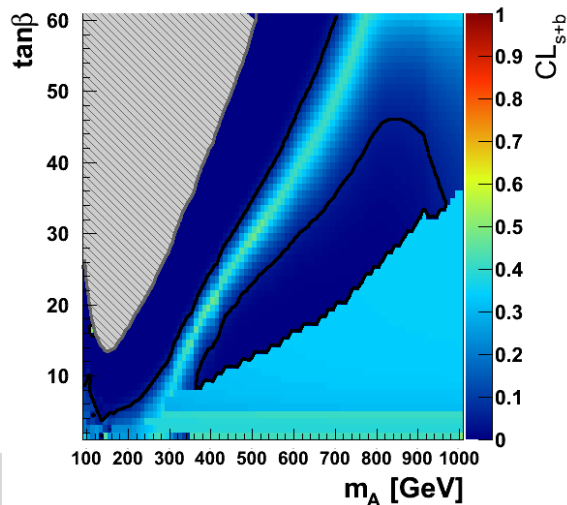
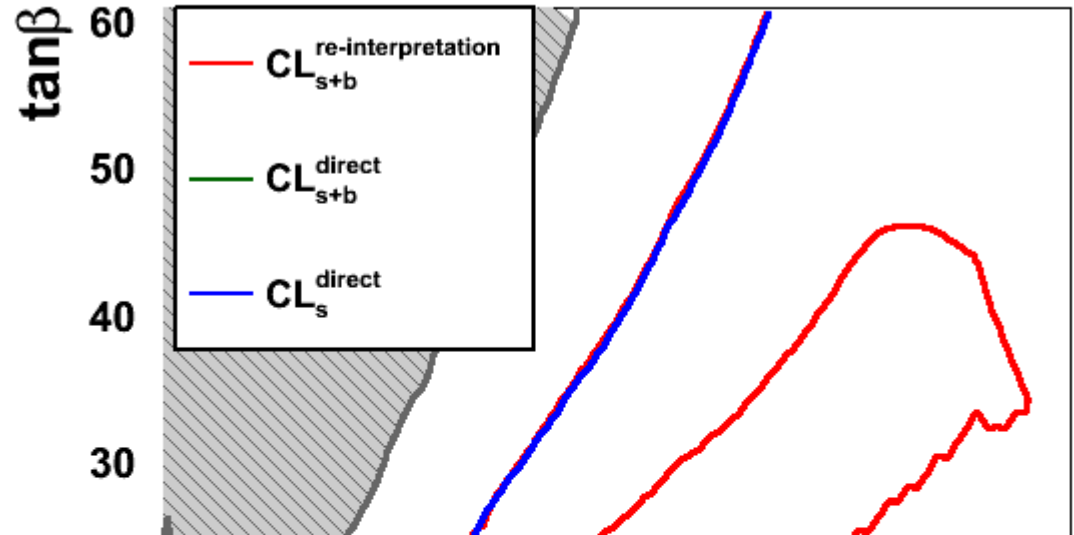
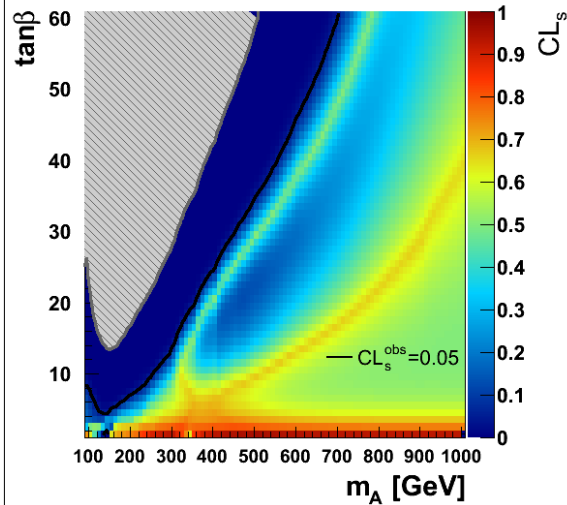
# Method comparison (more quantitative)



# Method comparison (exclusion contour)



# Method comparison (exclusion contour)



How does the re-interpretation method differ from the full limit?

- $\Delta NLL_{\tan\beta}^{m_A}$  remarkably well reproduced.
- Catches long-range effects of  $h$  only coarsely (supposed to be small).
- By construction  $gg\phi$  and  $bb\phi$  uncorrelated.

$m_A$  [GeV]

# Conclusions

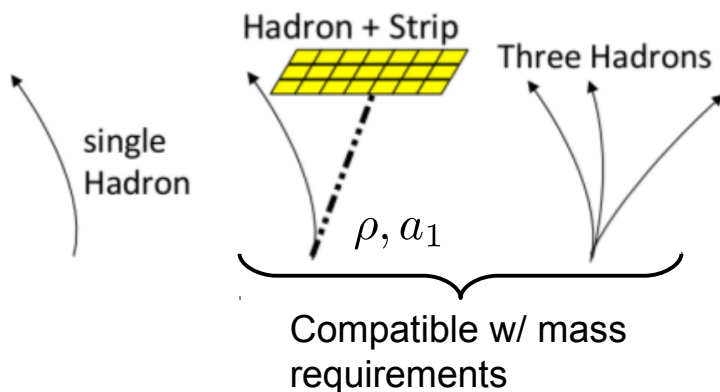
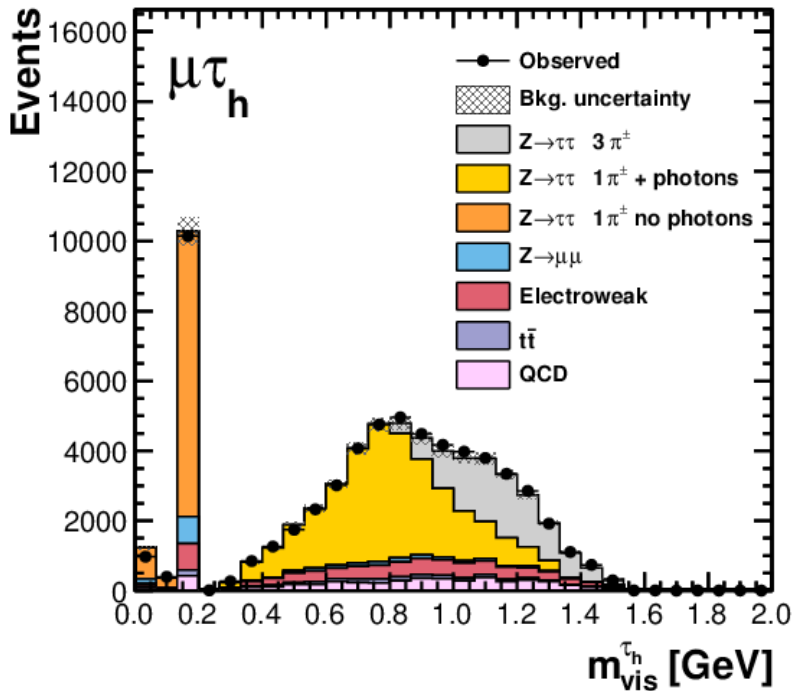
- Started **thorough investigation of likelihood** function approach generally used to set exclusion contours in neutral MSSM Higgs Boson searches.
- Genuine MSSM signal would give notice in form of **non-trivial exclusion contours “ahead of discovery”** (reveal information about exact model parameters already).
- CMS has provided a **large DB of likelihood values** of a model independent search, which allows re-interpretation in form of full pledged models.
- The similarities and differences of both interpretation methods have been investigated.
  - Long-range correlations of  $A + H + h$ .
  - $CL_S$  versus  $CL_{S+B}$ .
  - Correlated cross section between  $gg\phi$  and  $bb\phi$ .
- Big playground to **increase our general understanding!**







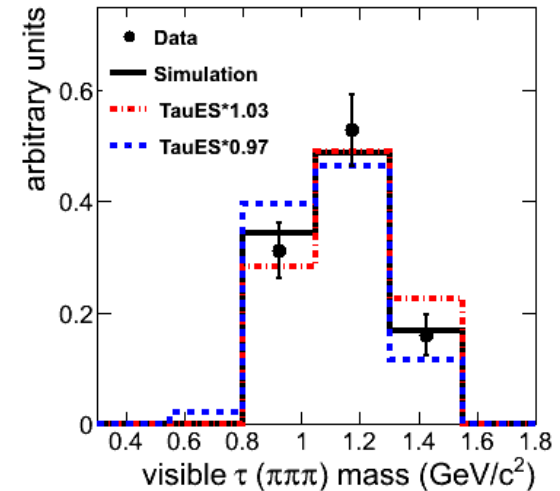
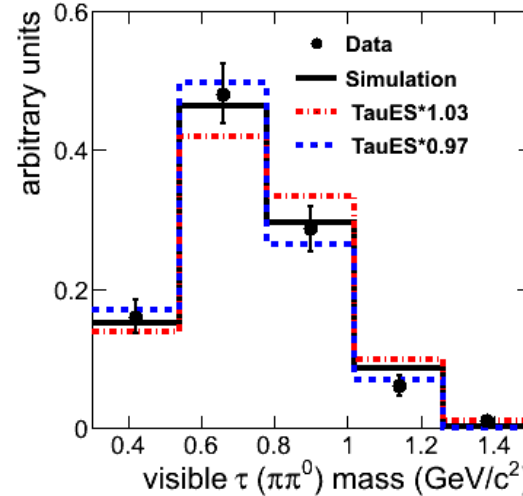
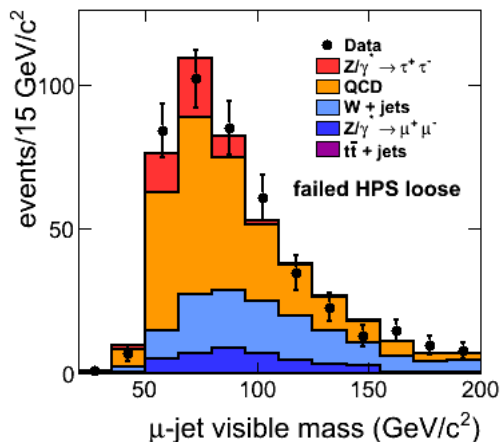
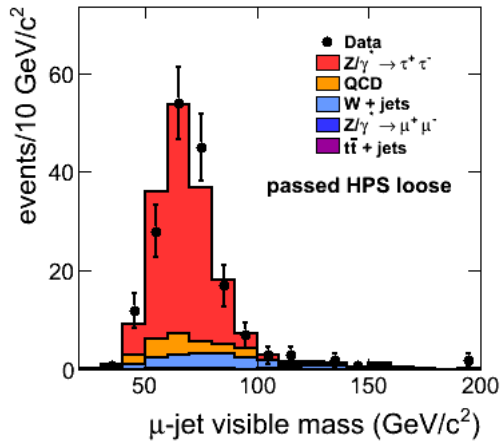
# Reconstruction of hadronic $\tau$ -leptons



- **Exploit particle flow** algorithm: distinguish between  $\gamma$ , neutral and charged hadron .
- **Isolation** (based on energy deposits in vicinity of reconstructed  $\tau_h$  candidate).
- **Discrimination against electrons** (based on shower shape &  $E/p$ ).
- **Discrimination against muons**.
- Allows for independent cross check of  **$\tau_h$  energy calibration** (use 3% uncert.).
- **Efficiency  $\approx 60\%$  ( $\approx 3\%$  fakerate)**, flat as function of  $p_T(\tau_h)$  and  $N(vtx)$ .

# Performance of Hadronic $\tau$ Reconstruction

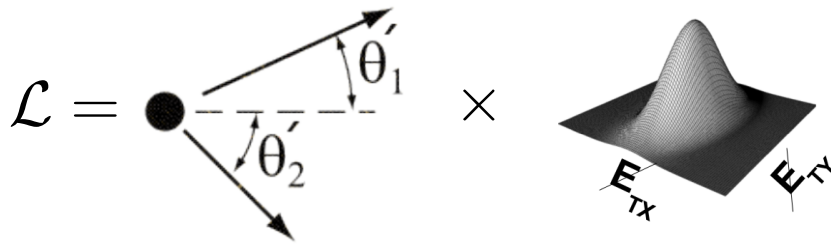
- Control efficiency within  $\pm 7\%$  using tag & probe methods:
- Control  $\tau_h$  energy scale within  $\pm 3\%$  from fits to  $m_{\tau, \text{vis}}$ :



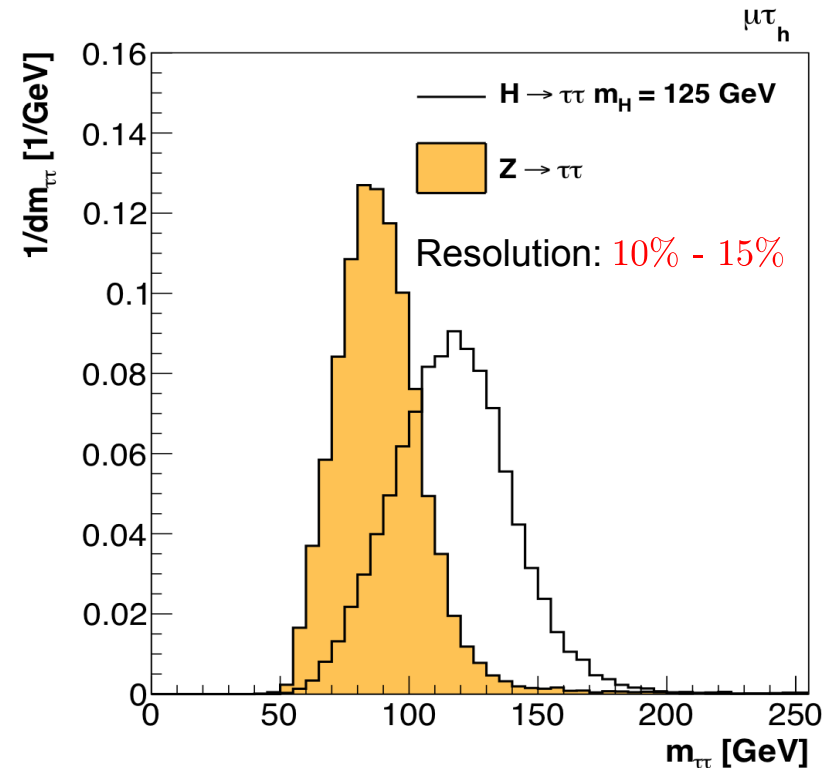
- Uncertainties further constrained by maximum likelihood fit in the statistical inference for signal extraction.

# Reconstruction of $m_{\tau\tau}$

- Likelihood approach:



- ME for leptonic  $\tau$  decay or phase space kinematics of 2-body decay of  $\tau_h$ .
- Estimate of **expected  $E_T$  resolution** on event by event basis.
- Inputs: visible decay products, x-, y-component of  $\vec{E}_T$ .
- Free parameters:  $\varphi$ ,  $\theta^*$ ,  $(m_{\nu\nu})$  per  $\tau$ .



- **Find minimum of  $\mathcal{L}$**  for given  $m_{\tau\tau}$  and **scan over all possible values of  $m_{\tau\tau}$**  to find global minimum.

# Control of backgrounds

$t\bar{t}$

- From simulation.
- Normalization from sideband.

$QCD$  multijet

- Normalization & shape taken from LS/OS or fakerate.

$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$

- Embedding (in  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  replace  $\mu$  by sim  $\tau$ ).
- Norm from  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ .

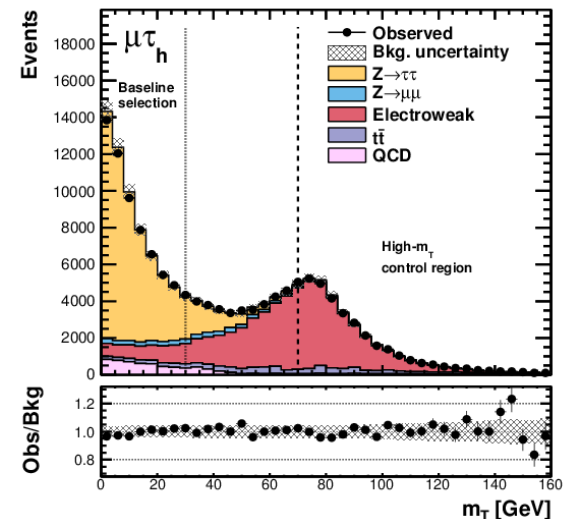
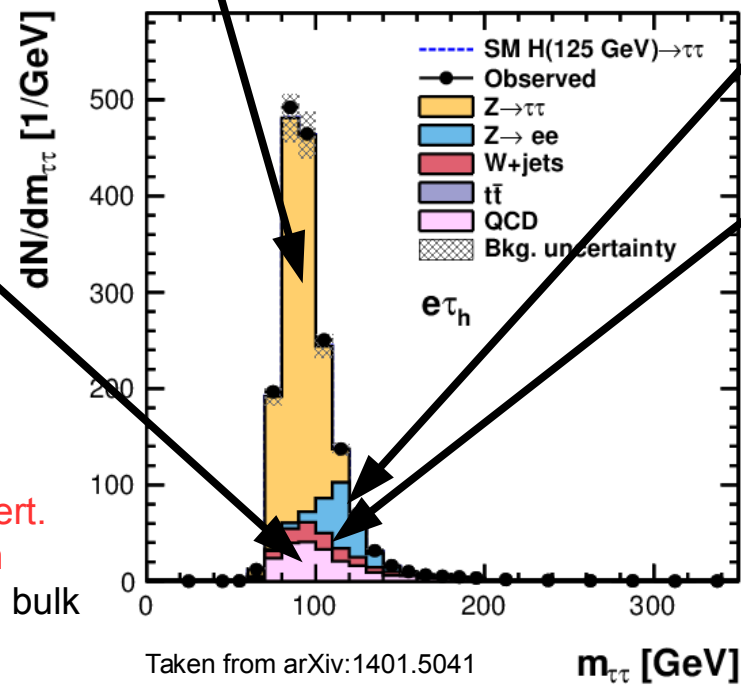
$Z \rightarrow ll$

- From simulation
- Corrected for  $jet \rightarrow \tau$  or  $e/\mu \rightarrow \tau$  fakerate.

$W + jets, Diboson$

- From simulation
- Normalization from sidebands.

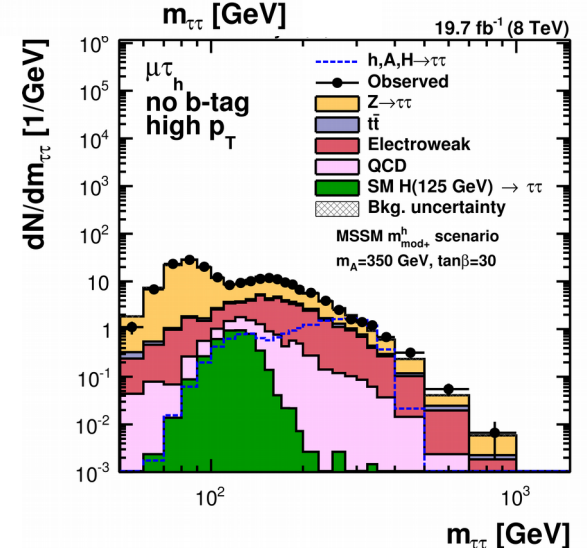
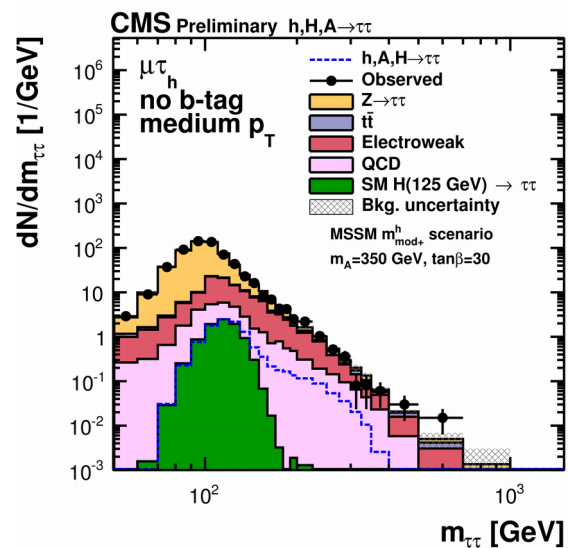
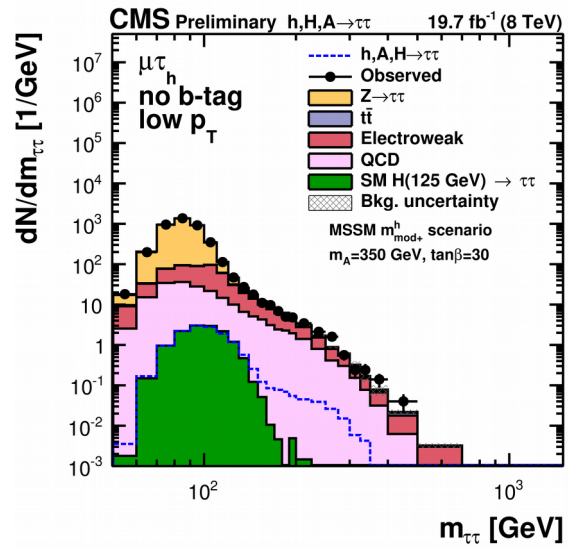
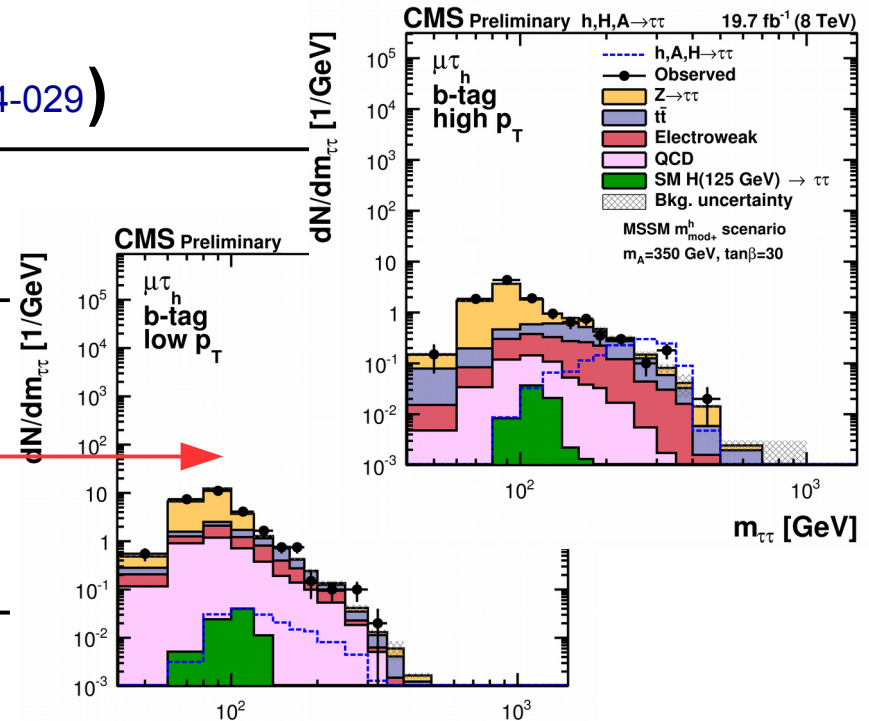
- Full consideration of **uncert.** due to limited statistics in control or MC samples in bulk of distributions.



# $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ : results (CMS, CMS-PAS-HIG-14-029)

(\*) low      no b-tag      high      b-tag      high

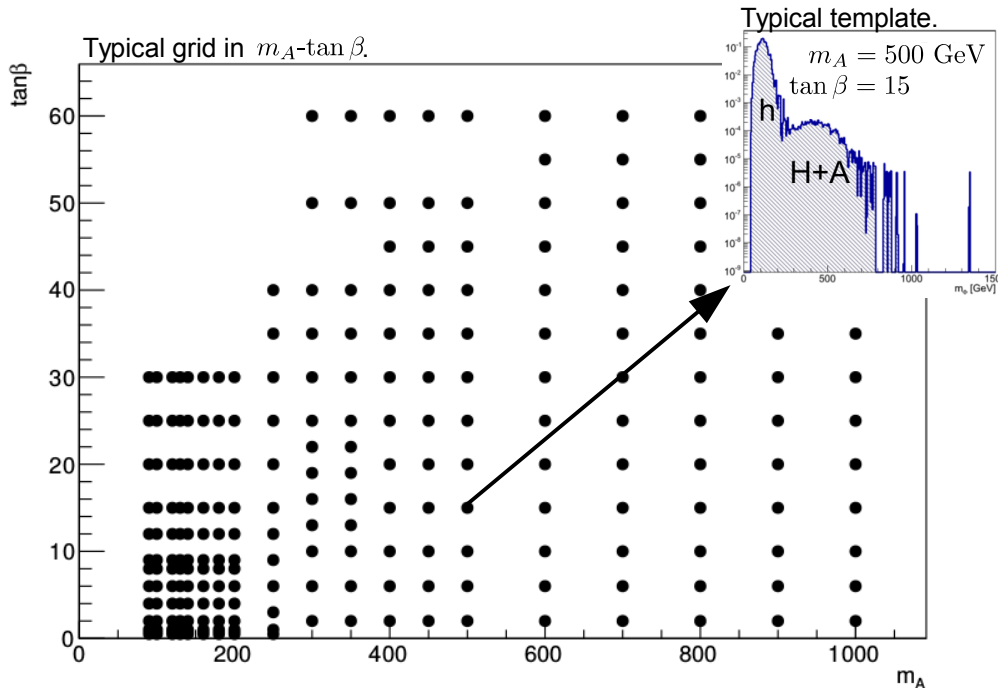
$\mu\mu$	$m_{\tau\tau} \times m_{\mu\mu}$		$m_{\tau\tau} \times m_{\mu\mu}$	
$e\mu$	$m_{\tau\tau}$		$m_{\tau\tau}$	
$\mu\tau_h$	$m_{\tau\tau}$	$m_{\tau\tau}$	$m_{\tau\tau}$	$m_{\tau\tau}$
$e\tau_h$	$m_{\tau\tau}$	$m_{\tau\tau}$	$m_{\tau\tau}$	$m_{\tau\tau}$
$\tau_h\tau_h$	$m_{\tau\tau}$	$m_{\tau\tau}$	$m_{\tau\tau}$	$m_{\tau\tau}$



(\*) categorization based on  $p_T(\tau_h), p_T(\ell_1)$ .

# Reprise of MSSM model dependent limit setting

- For fixed values in  $m_A$  and  $\tan\beta$  build **templates composed of  $h + H + A$  according to model:**



- With this template perform **fit to data with single signal strength modifier  $\mu$** .

$$q_\mu = -2 \ln \left( \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu, \hat{\theta}_\mu)}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta})} \right) \Big|_{\mu \cdot s + b}$$

**NB:**  $\mu = 1$  hits the proper model for given  $m_A$ - $\tan\beta$ .

- Do the same with a BG-only template:

$$q_A = -2 \ln \left( \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu, \hat{\theta}_\mu)}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\theta})} \right) \Big|_{b\text{-only}}$$

- Calculate (asymptotic)  $CL_s$  value:

$$CL_s = \frac{1 - \Phi(\sqrt{q_\mu})}{\Phi(\sqrt{q_A} - \sqrt{q_\mu})}$$

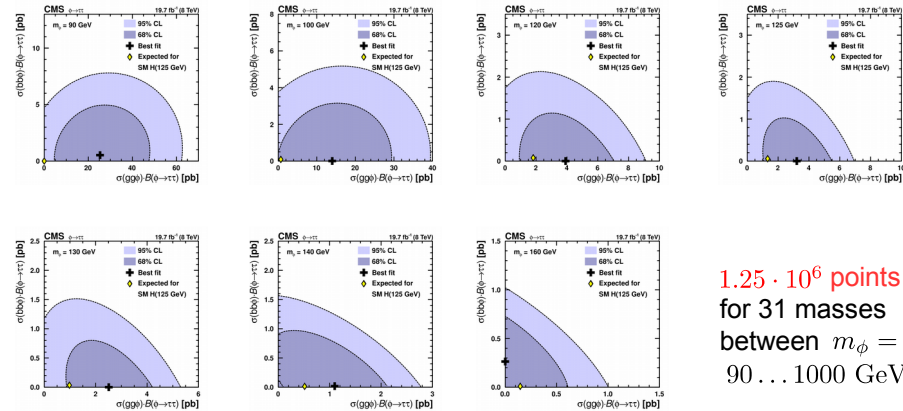
- For the 95% CL exclusion contour: **for fixed value of  $m_A$  find value of  $\tan\beta$  with  $CL_s(\mu = 1) = 0.05$** .

- Cluster Higgs bosons if they are close to each other, i.e:

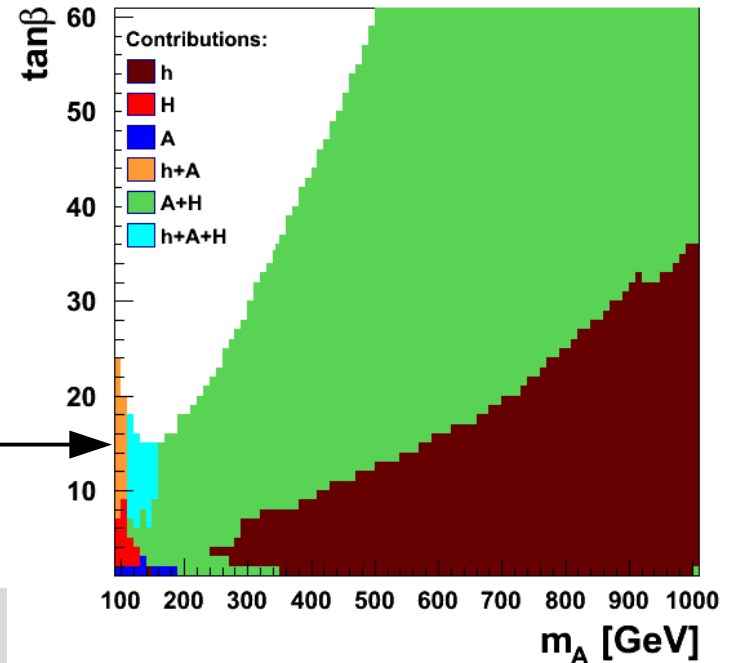
$$d_{ij} = \frac{|m_i - m_j|}{\max(m_i, m_j)} < 0.2^{(8)}$$

- Cluster obtains a mass of  $\sigma_k \times BR_k^{(9)}$  weighted mean of  $m_i$  and  $m_j$  and a cross section of  $\sum \sigma_k \times BR_k$ , according to model and point in  $m_A$  and  $\tan \beta$ .

- Determine cluster with highest expected sensitivity (i.e. largest value of  $\Delta NLL_{exp}$  from DB based on BG-only Asimov dataset).
- Read off observed value of  $\Delta NLL_{obs}$  for selected point of  $(m_A, \tan \beta)$  from DB.



$1.25 \cdot 10^6$  points  
for 31 masses  
between  $m_\phi =$   
90...1000 GeV.



<sup>(8)</sup> given by experimental  $m_{\tau\tau}$ -resolution. <sup>(9)</sup>  $k = i, j$ .