
Composite Higgs Search at the LHC

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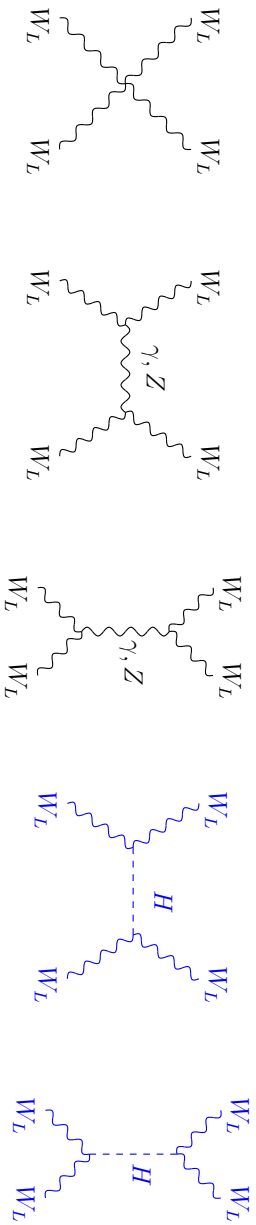
Electroweak Symmetry Breaking (EWSB)

LHC Understand the mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking

Why? Creation of particle masses without violating the basic symmetries of the SM

How? Higgs mechanism [SM, SUSY, ...]
Strong EW symmetry breaking [Composite, LH, “Higgsless”, Extra Dims., ...]

- Higgs as UV regulator: Scattering of longitudinally polarized W bosons

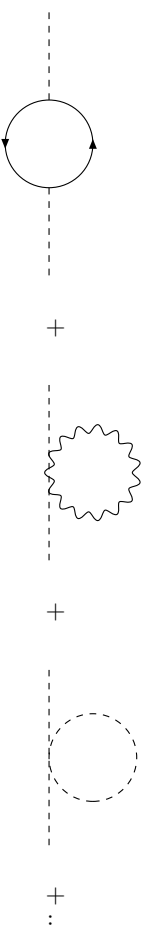

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{G_F M_H^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi}$$

Higgs boson guarantees unitarity of the W scattering (if its mass is $\lesssim 1$ TeV.)

- Higgs mechanism - model without dynamics: description but no explanation of the EWSB

Hierarchy problem

- Quantum corrections to the Higgs boson mass:



$$\delta m_H^2 = -\frac{\lambda_F^2}{8\pi^2} [\Lambda^2 - m_F^2 \ln \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_F^2}] + \dots$$

⇒ extreme finetuning necessary

- ◇ additional symmetry: forbids Higgs mass until symmetry is broken
 - * supersymmetry
 - * gauge-Higgs unification
 - * Higgs as a pseudo Nambu-Goldstone boson → this talk: Composite Higgs
- ◇ lower the UV scale
 - * large extra dimension
- ◇ remove the Higgs
 - * technicolor

Composite Higgs boson - Introduction

- **Idea: Higgs as composite bound state from a strongly interacting sector**

Kaplan, Georgi; Dimopoulos, Preskill; Banks; Dugan eal

- **Continuous interpolation between the SM and Technicolor:**

$$\xi = 0 \text{ SM limit}$$



$$\xi = \frac{v^2}{f^2} = \frac{(\text{weak scale})^2}{(\text{strong coupling scale})^2}$$

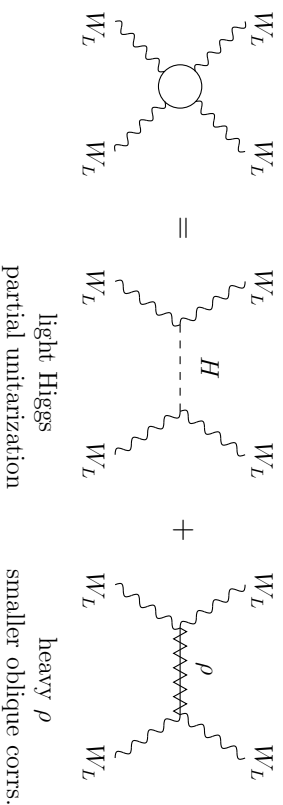


$$\xi = 1 \text{ Technicolor limit}$$

strong sector resonances decouple, except Higgs

Higgs decouples, vector resonances like in TC

- **Composite Higgs models:** Higgs = composite object: couplings deviate from SM couplings.



unitarity breakdown postponed to higher energy
 $\rightsquigarrow$ smaller oblique corrections

Composite Higgs boson - Introduction

- How can we obtain a light composite Higgs?

Higgs: Pseudo-Goldstone boson of strongly interacting sector

Global symmetry of strong sector G $\xrightarrow[\text{broken at } f]{\text{spontaneously}}$ subgroup H

G/H : 4th Nambu-Goldstone Boson: Higgs boson

- Possible symmetry patterns

- * H must contain SM gauge group

- * G must contain an $SU(2) \times SU(2) \sim SO(4)$ symmetry $\rightsquigarrow$ PGB is a Higgs doublet

Examples:

- $SO(5)/SO(4) \rightsquigarrow$ PGB: one doublet

- $SO(6)/SO(5) \rightsquigarrow$ PGB: one doublet + singlet

- ...

Composite Higgs boson - Physics

- **SILH effective Lagrangian**

(SILH=strongly interacting light Higgs)

Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi

- **Genuine strong operators** (sensitive to the scale f)

$$\frac{c_H}{2f^2}(\partial_\mu(|H|^2))^2 + \frac{c_T}{2f^2}(H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu)^2 + \left(\frac{c_{y_f}}{f^2} |H|^2 \bar{f}_L H f_R + h.c. \right) + \frac{c_6 \Lambda}{f^2} |H|^6$$

- **Form factor operators** (sensitive to the scale m_ρ)

$$\frac{ic_{wg}}{2m_\rho^2} (H^\dagger \sigma^i \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H) (D^\nu W_{\mu\nu})^i + \frac{ic_{Bg'}}{2m_\rho^2} (H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H) (\partial^\nu B_{\mu\nu}) + \dots$$

$c_H, c_T, \dots$: $\mathcal{O}(1)$, MFV built in (no FCNC)

- **Contribution to Higgs kinetic term:** $\frac{c_H}{2f^2}(\partial_\mu(|H|^2))^2$

$$\text{Rescale Higgs field } \rightsquigarrow \quad g_{Hf\bar{f}} = g_{Hf\bar{f}}^{SM} \left(1 - (c_g + c_H/2) \frac{v^2}{f^2} \right) \quad g_{HWW} = g_{HWW}^{SM} \left(1 - c_H \frac{v^2}{f^2} \right)$$

Higgs anomalous couplings

- Large v/f ?

SILH: expansion for small $\frac{v}{f}$

The 5D MCHM provides completion for large $\frac{v}{f}$ ($SO(5)/SO(4)$)

Contino et al; Agashe et al

$$g_{HVV} = g_{HVV}^{SM} \sqrt{1 - \xi}$$

$$\xi = \frac{v^2}{f^2}$$

- Fermion couplings depend on embedding into representations of the bulk symmetry

spinorial representations of $SO(5)$

fundamental representations of $SO(5)$

MCHM4

MCHM5

$$g_{Hff} = g_{Hff}^{SM} \sqrt{1 - \xi}$$

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universal shift of couplings

no modifications of BRs

BRs depend on ξ

How to test composite nature of the Higgs boson?

- **Resonances**

Production of heavy resonances m_ρ

- **Coupling modifications:**

◇ modification of production and decay rates^{*}

LHC/300 fb⁻¹: $\delta g \approx 20 - 40\%$ Dührssen eal. $\rightsquigarrow$ probe $4\pi f = 5 - 7$ TeV

ILC/500 GeV $\rightsquigarrow$ probe $4\pi f \sim 30$ TeV, $\delta\lambda_{HHH} \sim 10 - 20\%$ Barger eal

CLIC/3 TeV $\rightsquigarrow$ improve sensitivity by factor 2

Composite Higgs model: accuracy of couplings 20-30% (30 fb⁻¹) Bock eal

◇ strong WW scattering: $W_L W_L \rightarrow W_L W_L$

difficult: disentangle L from T polarization Giudice eal; Han eal

◇ strong HH production: $W_L W_L \rightarrow HH$

SLHC/5 ab⁻¹: 3l final state: rather clean signal $\xi > 0.5$ Contino eal

^{*} no direct probe of strong sector at origin of EWSB

- **This talk:** Impact on Higgs boson searches at the LHC Espinosa, Grojean, Mühlleitner

Impact on LHC searches

- Outline

- ▷ Branching ratios and total widths
- ▷ Constraints from LEP, Tevatron searches and EWPT
- ▷ Production cross sections
- ▷ Higgs boson search: significances

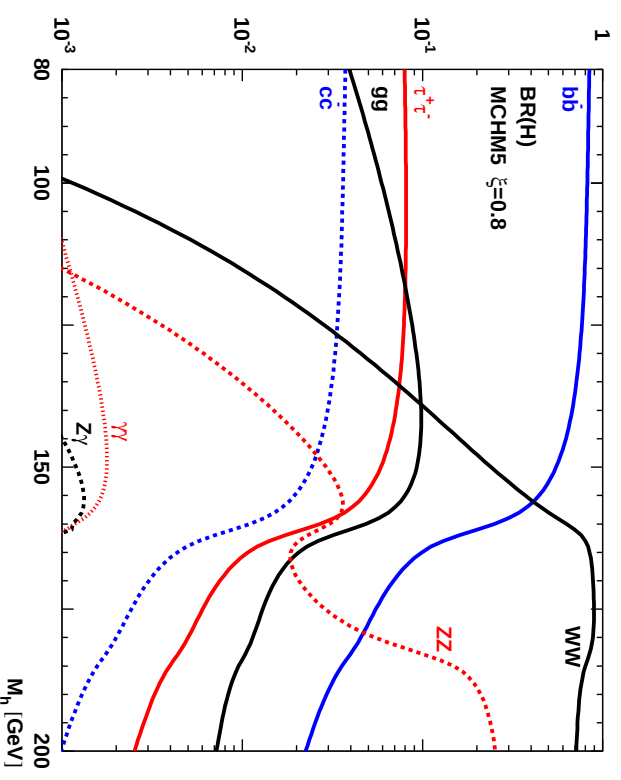
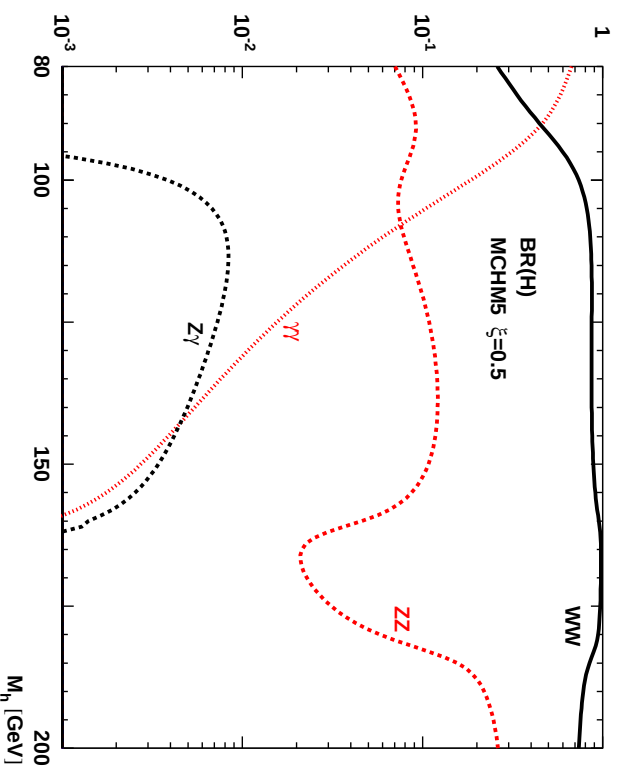
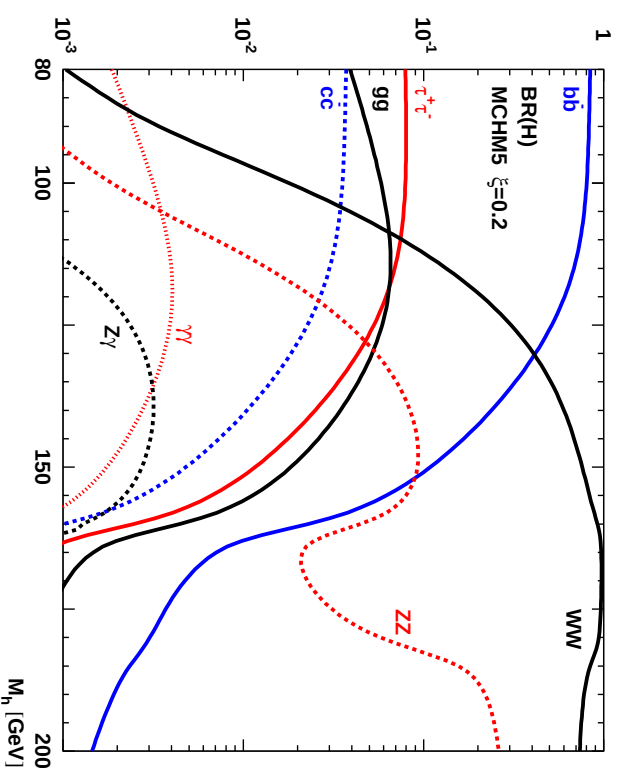
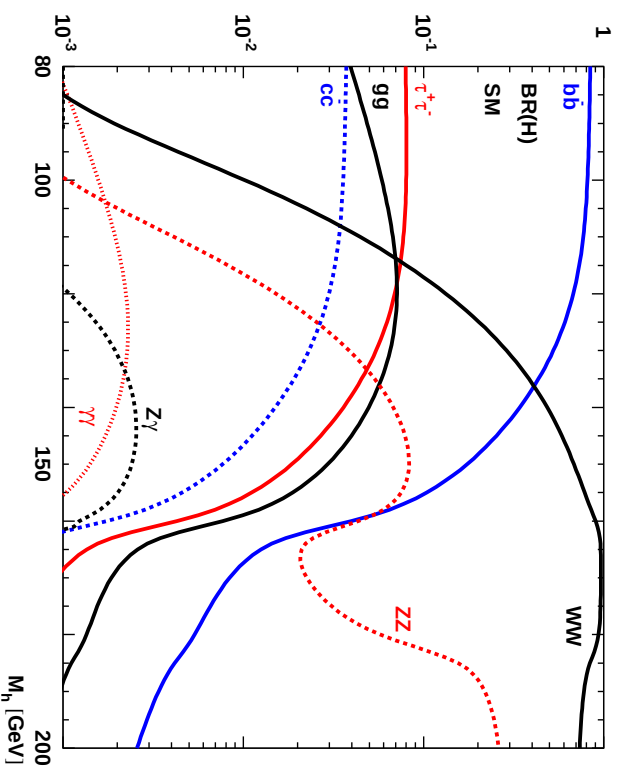
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MCHM4	MCHM5
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universal factor $\rightsquigarrow$ BRs unchanged	g_{Hff} coupling vanishes for $\xi = 0.5$

In the following: $\xi = 0.2, 0.5, 0.8$

- Branching ratios MCHM5

Espinoza, Grojean, Mühlleitner



Constraints from EWPT, LEP, Tevatron

- **EWPT constraints**

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removed by custodial symmetry

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◊ 1-loop IR effects Barbieri et al

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modified Higgs coupling to matter $\Rightarrow$

$$\hat{S}, \hat{T} = a((1 - c_H \xi) \ln m_H + c_H \xi \ln \Lambda) + b$$

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$$m_H^{eff} = m_H \left(\frac{\Lambda}{m_H} \right)^{c_H v^2 / f^2} > m_H$$

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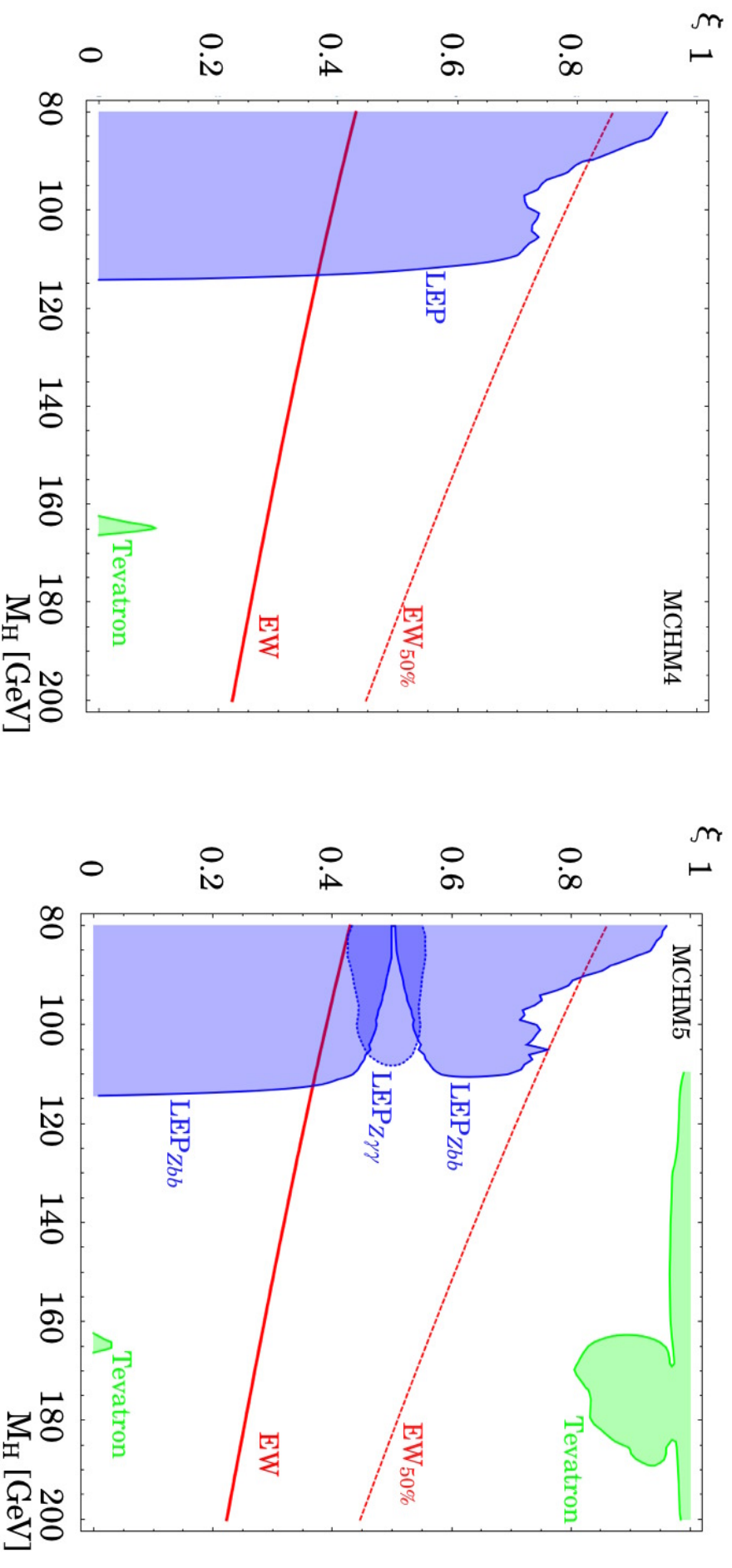
• **Searches at LEP** $e^+ e^- \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow Zb\bar{b}$ LEP Coll.

• **Tevatron search** most relevant $H \rightarrow WW$ CDF, D0

LEP/Tevatron exclusion limits generated with Higgsbounds Bechtel eal

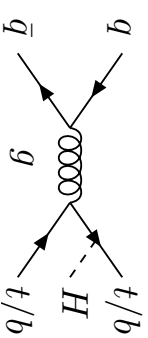
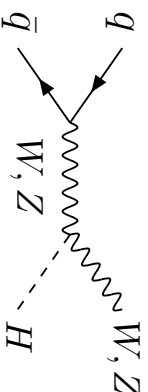
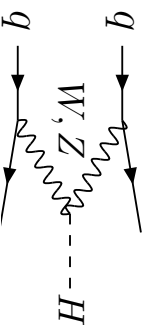
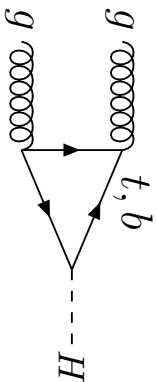
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Production Processes

- Production cross sections



- Higgs gauge boson couplings

$$\text{MCHM4/5: } g_{HVV} = g_{HVV}^{\text{SM}} \sqrt{1 - \xi}$$

- Higgs fermion couplings

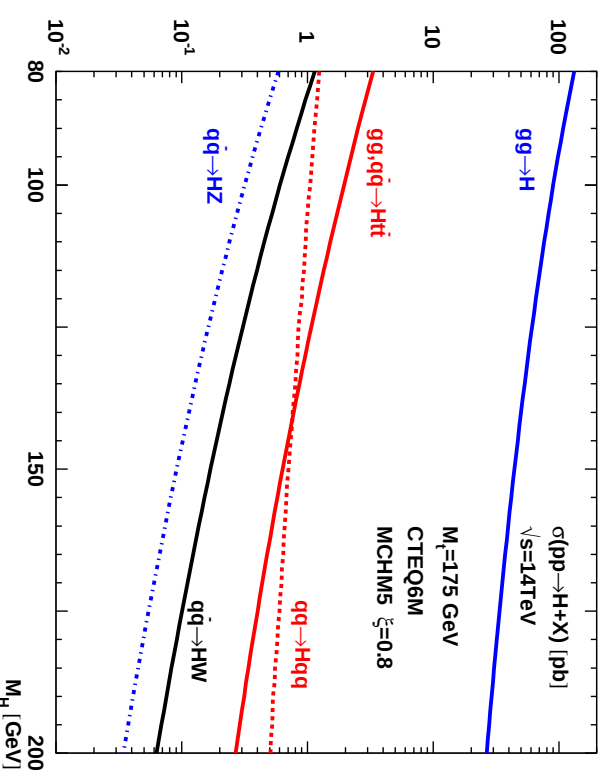
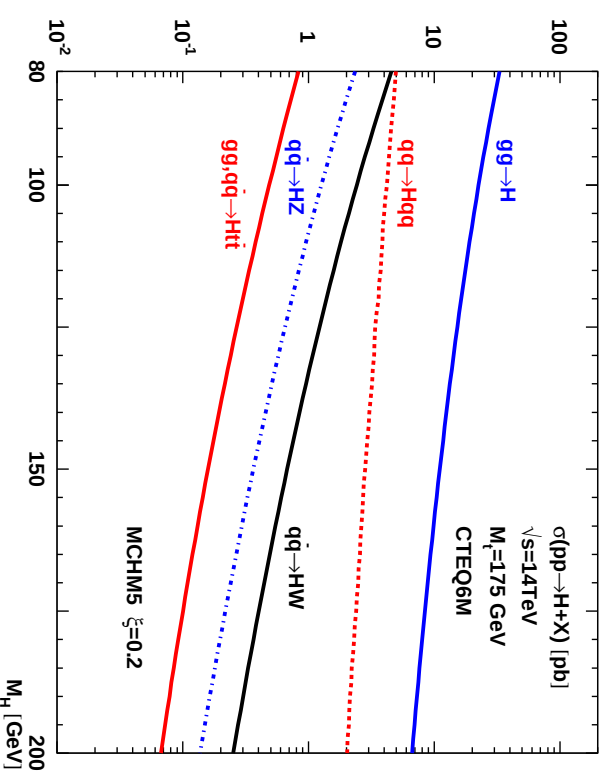
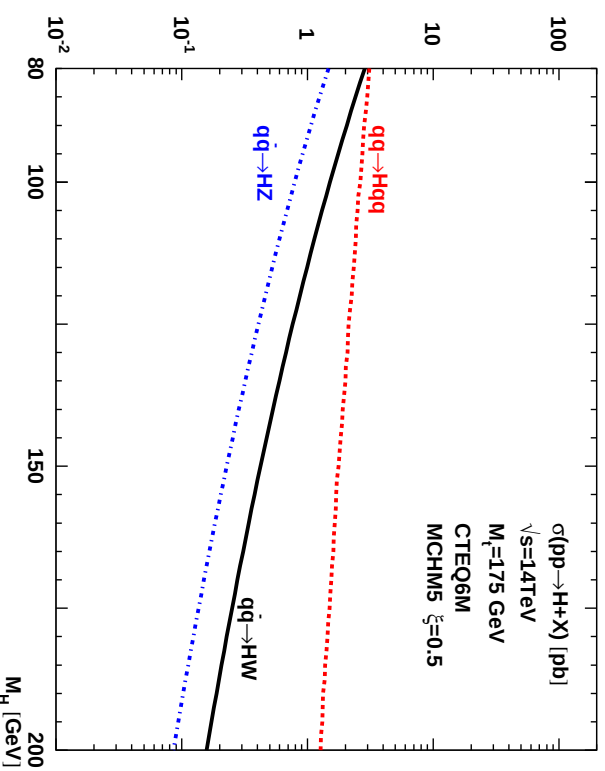
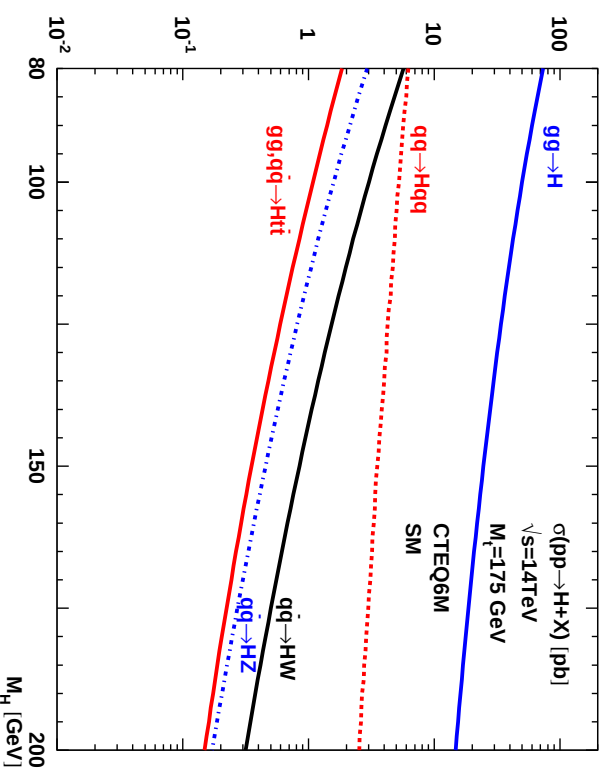
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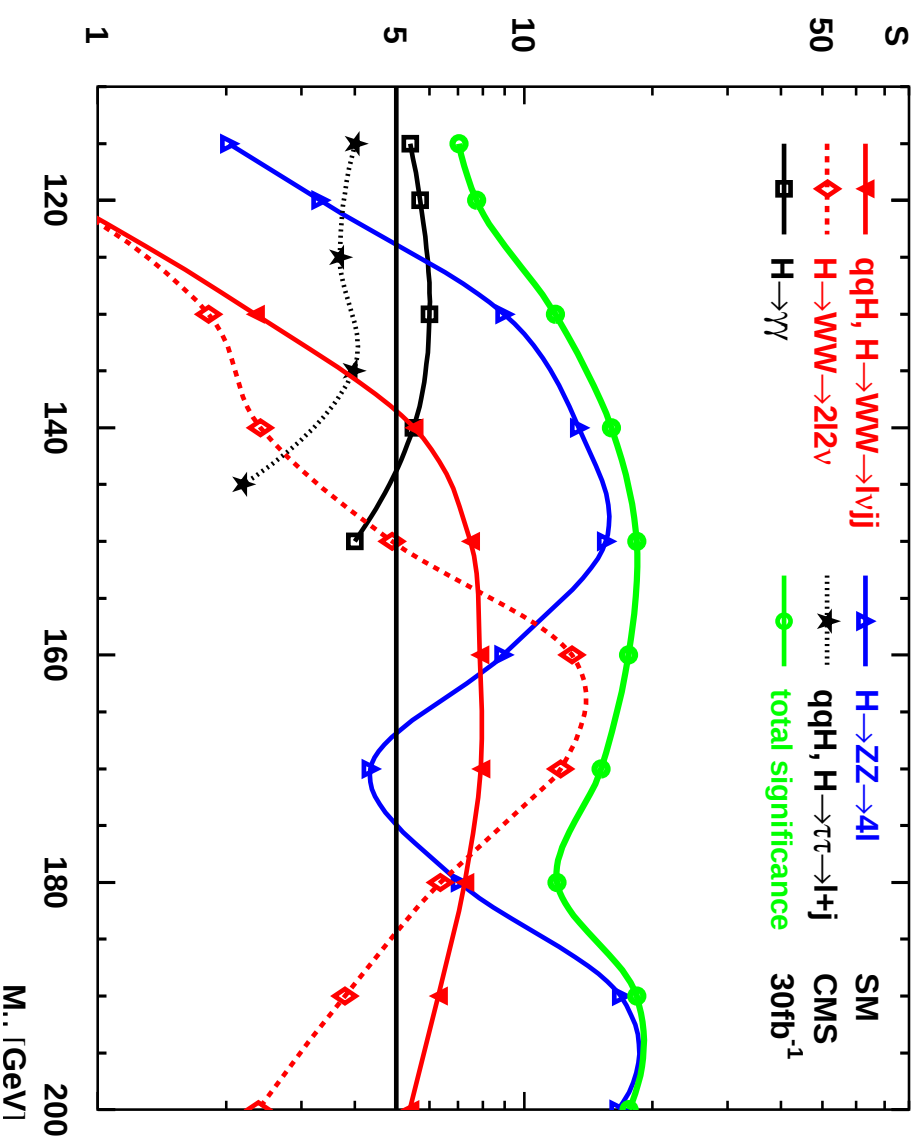
- NLO QCD corrections: not affected by modified Higgs couplings

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{NLO}(gg \rightarrow H) &= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (1 - \xi) \\ \frac{(1 - 2\xi)^2}{(1 - \xi)} \end{array} \right\} \sigma_{NLO}^{\text{SM}}(gg \rightarrow H) \quad \sigma_{NLO}(Ht\bar{t}) \text{ analogous} \\ \sigma_{NLO}(qqH) &= (1 - \xi) \sigma_{NLO}^{\text{SM}}(qqH) \quad \sigma_{NLO}(VH) \text{ analogous} \end{aligned}$$

• Production cross sections MCHM5



SM Higgs discovery potential



Significances: Composite Higgs

- **Composite Higgs search:**

- ◊ Composite couplings affect signal events, not background events
- ◊ Rescaling factor

$$\kappa = \frac{\sigma_{prod}^{\xi} BR^{\xi}(H \rightarrow X)}{\sigma_{prod}^{SM} BR^{SM}(H \rightarrow X)}$$

- ◊ Exp analyses provide signal & bkg events after cuts, s^{SM} , $b^{SM} \rightsquigarrow$ significances composite model from $s^{\xi} = \kappa s^{SM}$ and $b^{\xi} = b^{SM}$

- **Investigated Channels:** CMS analyses (similar results expected for ATLAS)

Inclusive production with subsequent decay : $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

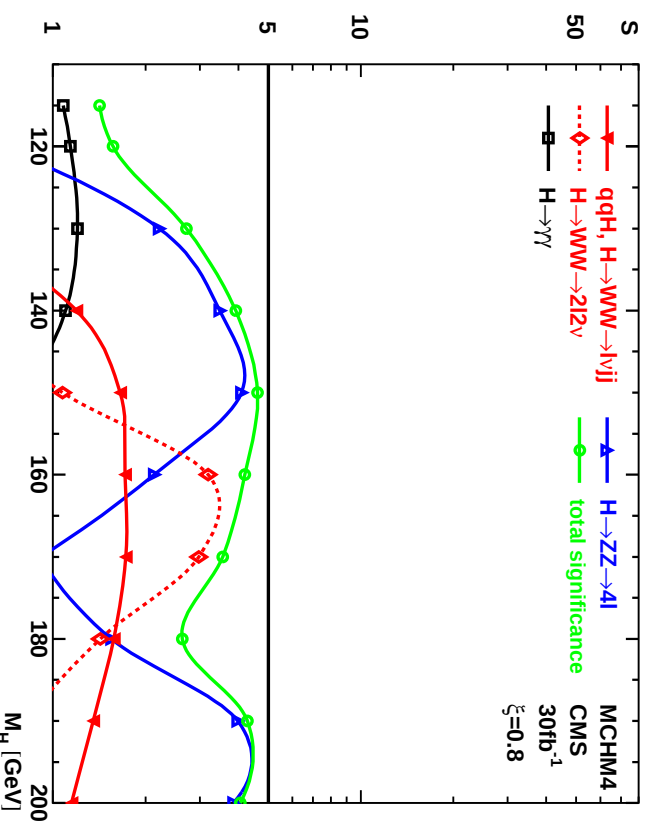
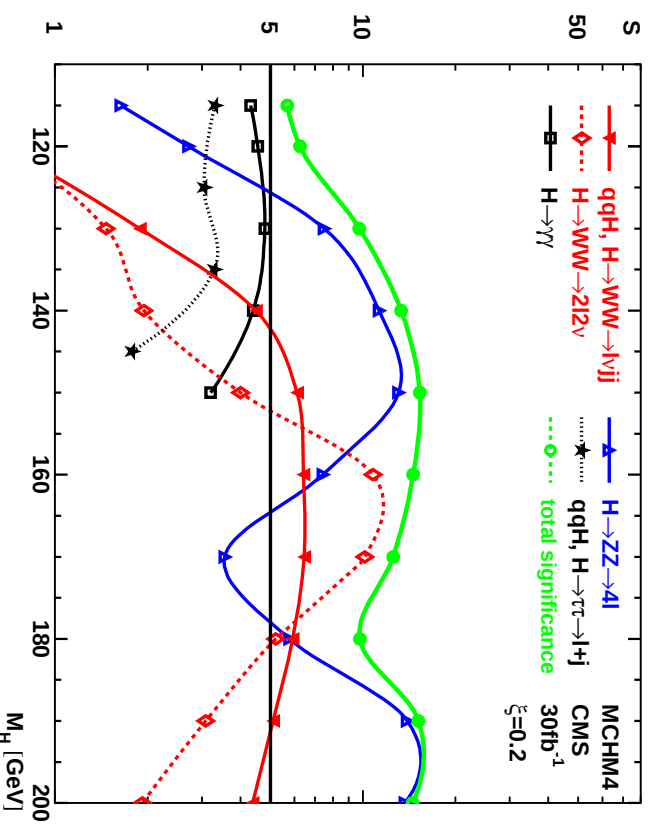
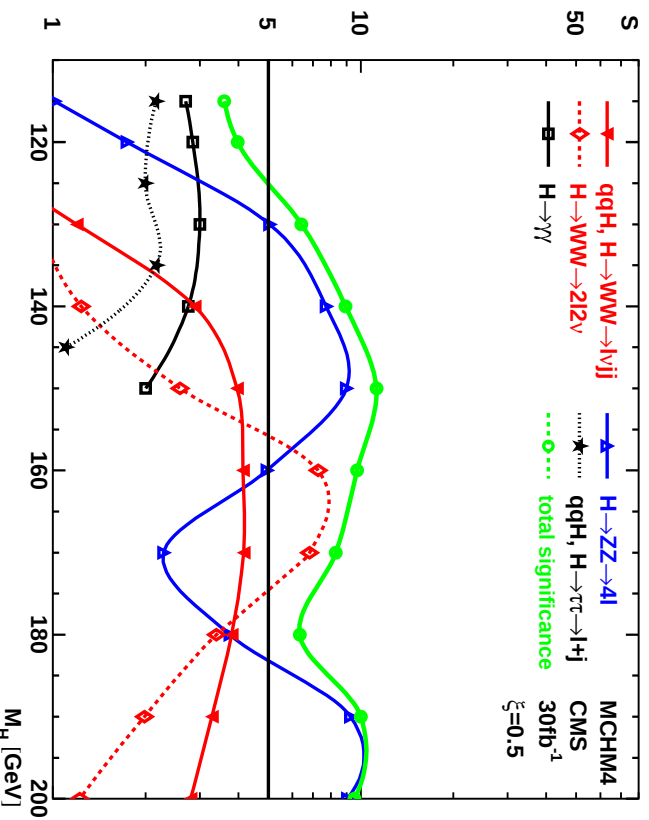
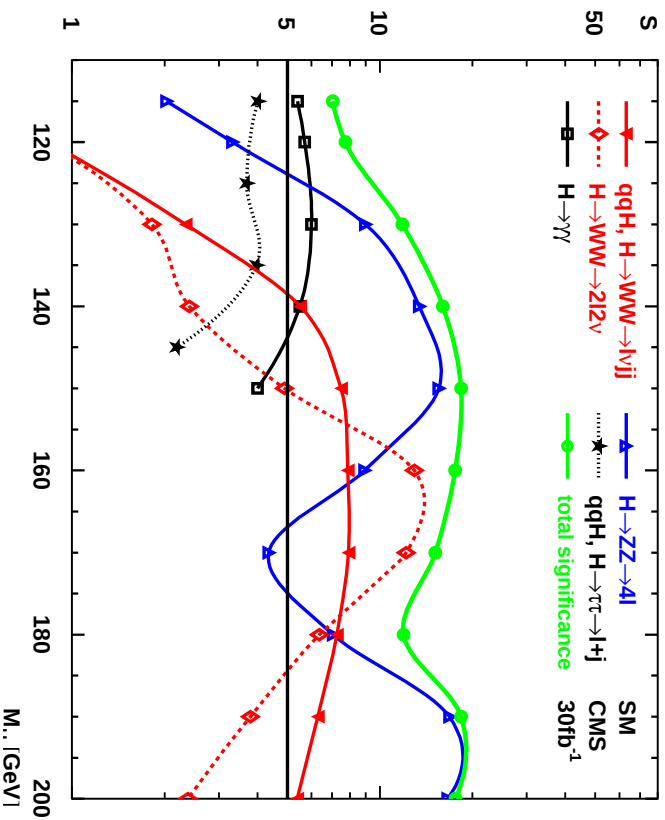
$$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2e2\mu, 4e, 4\mu$$

$$H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow 2l2\nu$$

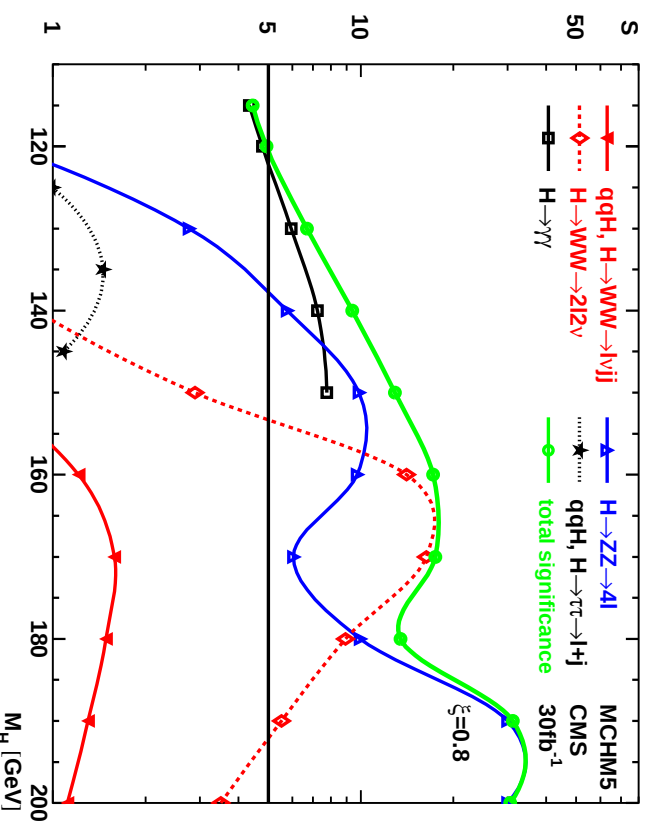
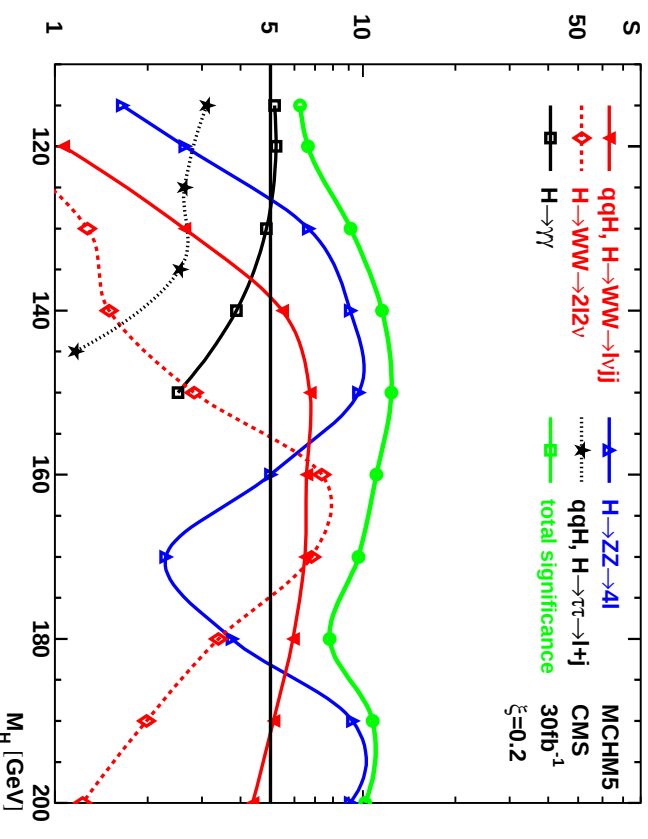
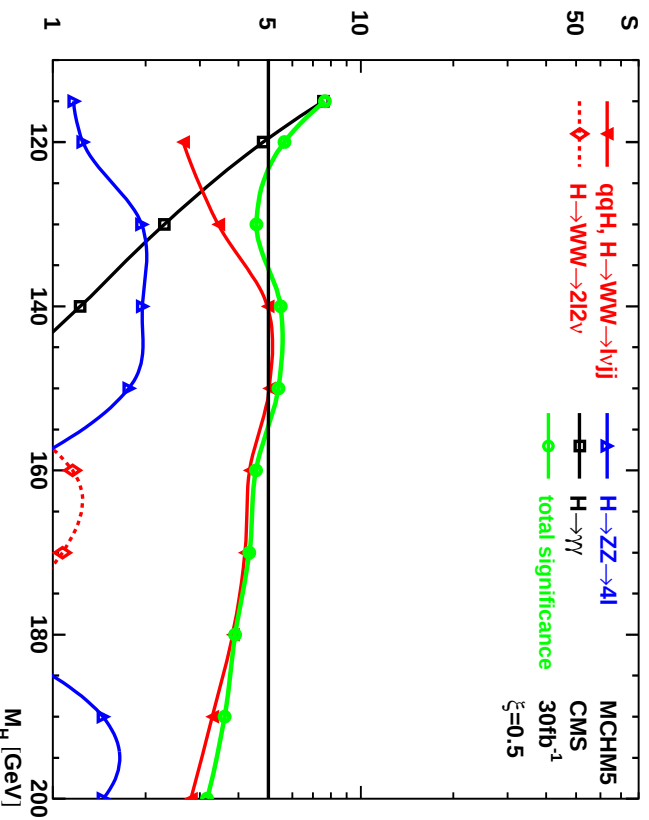
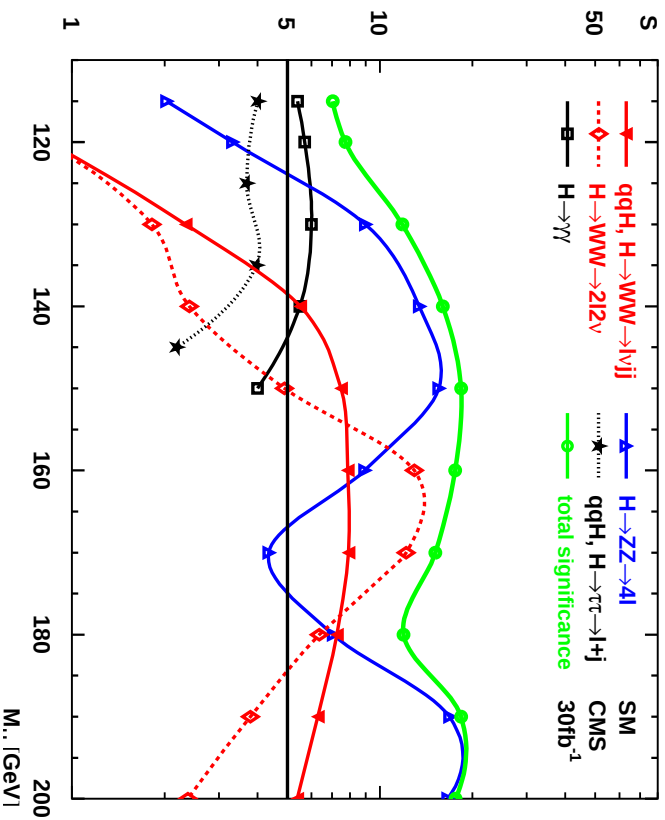
Vector boson fusion with subsequent decay : $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu jj$

$$H \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow l + j + E_T^{miss}.$$

Significances MCHM4



Significances MCHM5



Conclusions

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Backup Slides

Processes involved and significance definitions

- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Processes: gluon fusion, VBF, VH , $Ht\bar{t}$

Significance: cut-based analysis, $S^\xi = \kappa \sum_i \frac{s_i}{\sqrt{b_i}}$

- $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$

Processes: gluon fusion, VBF

Significance: Poisson significance S_P , neglecting the (small) systematic uncertainty.
 S_P is the solution of the equation

$$\sum_{i=0}^{s+b-1} \frac{e^{-b} b^i}{i!} = \int_{-\infty}^{S_P} dx \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

- $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow 2l2\nu$

Processes: gluon fusion, VBF

Significance: $ScP2$ w/ systematic uncertainty 10% at 30 fb⁻¹

$$ScP2[s, b, \Delta b] \equiv 2 \left(\sqrt{s+b} - \sqrt{b} \right) \sqrt{\frac{b}{b + \Delta b^2}}$$

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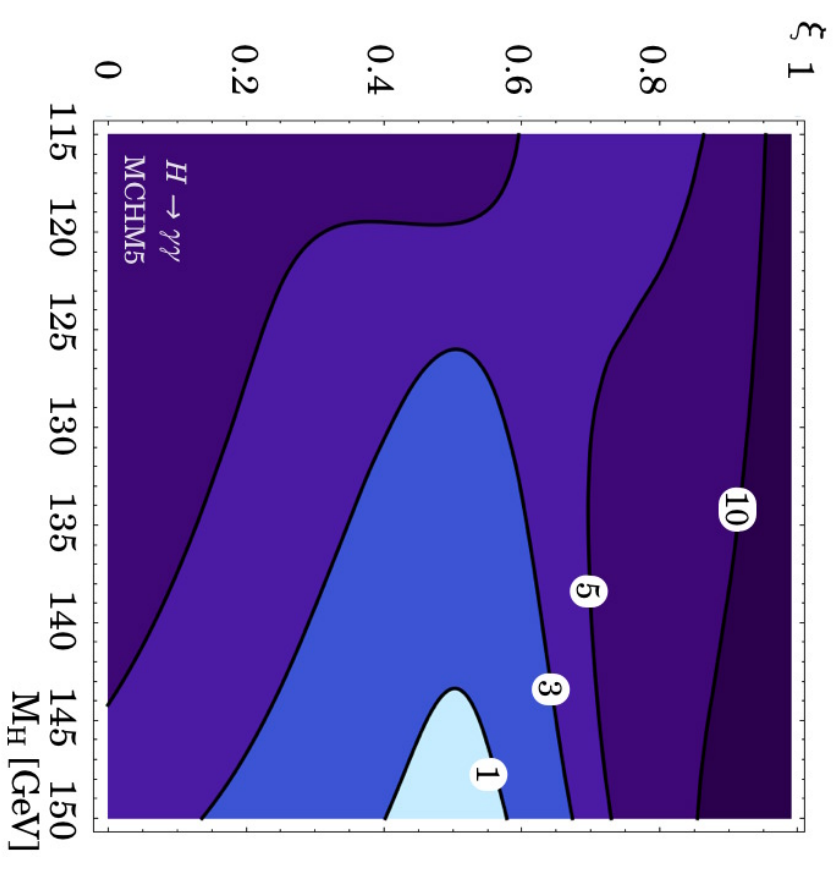
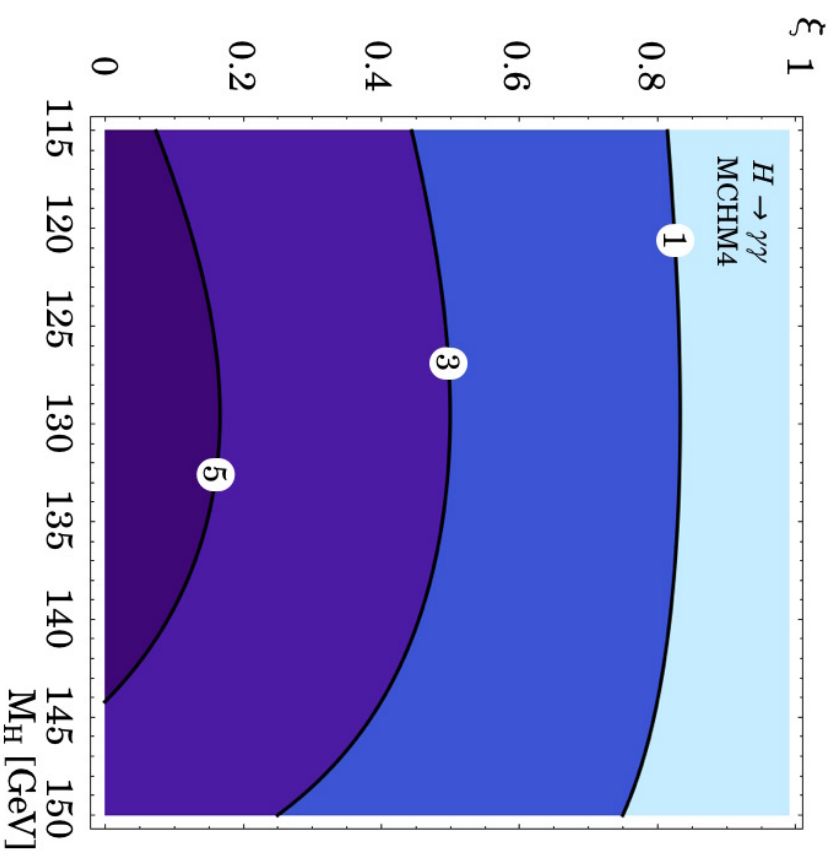
Significance: ScL' w/ 16% bkg uncertainty

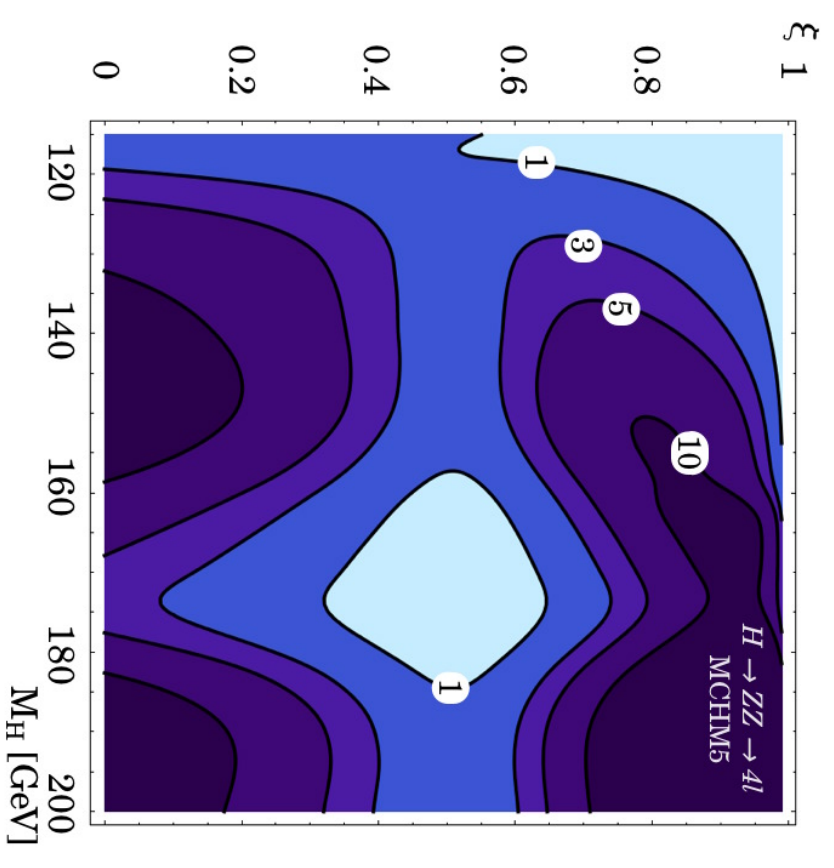
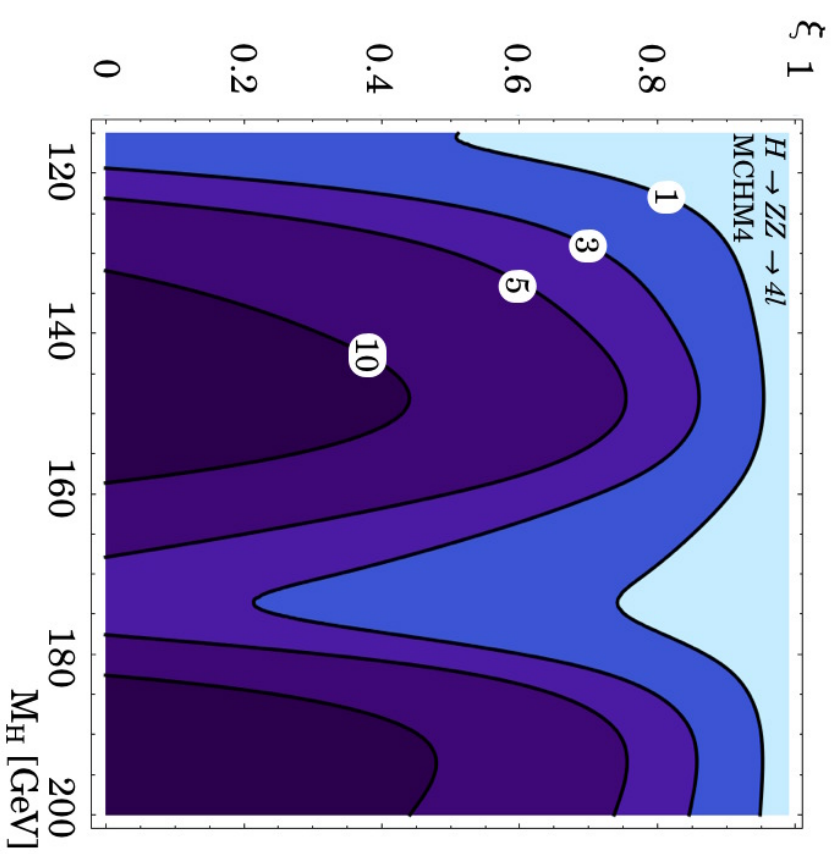
$$ScL[s, b] \equiv \sqrt{2[(s+b)\log(1+s/b) - s]} ,$$
$$ScL'[s, b, \Delta b] \equiv ScL[s, b + \Delta b^2]$$

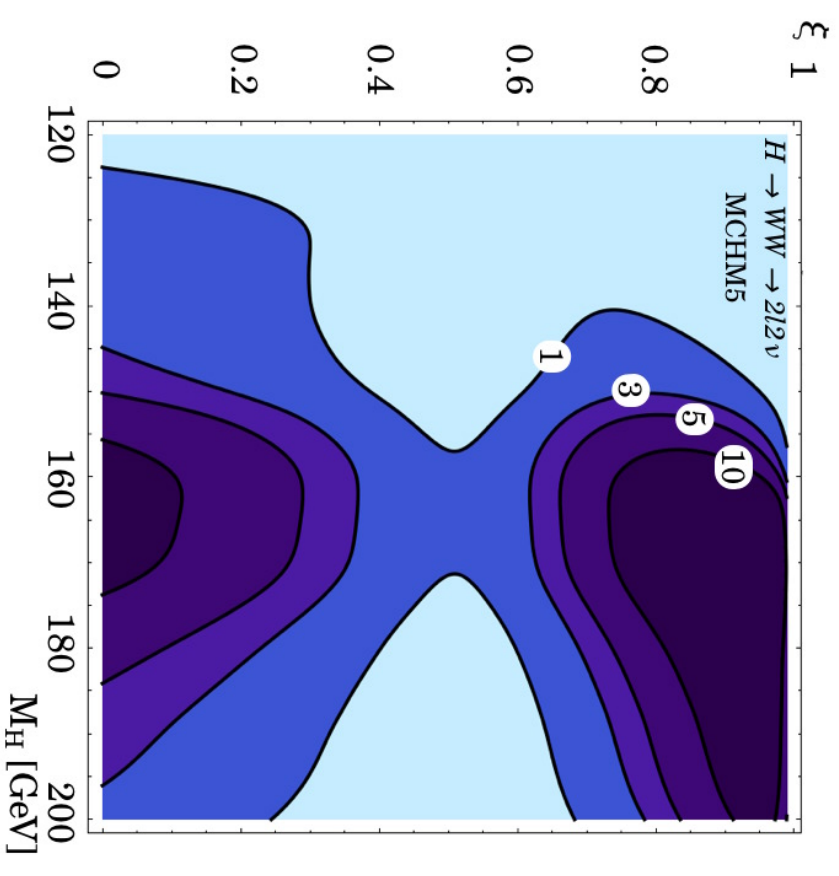
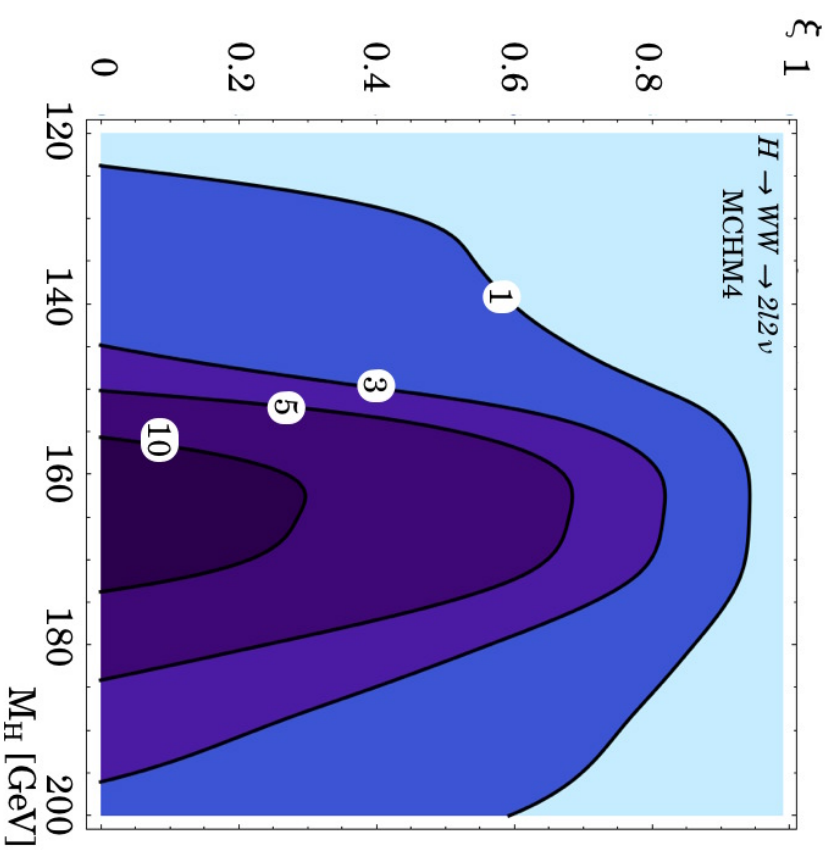
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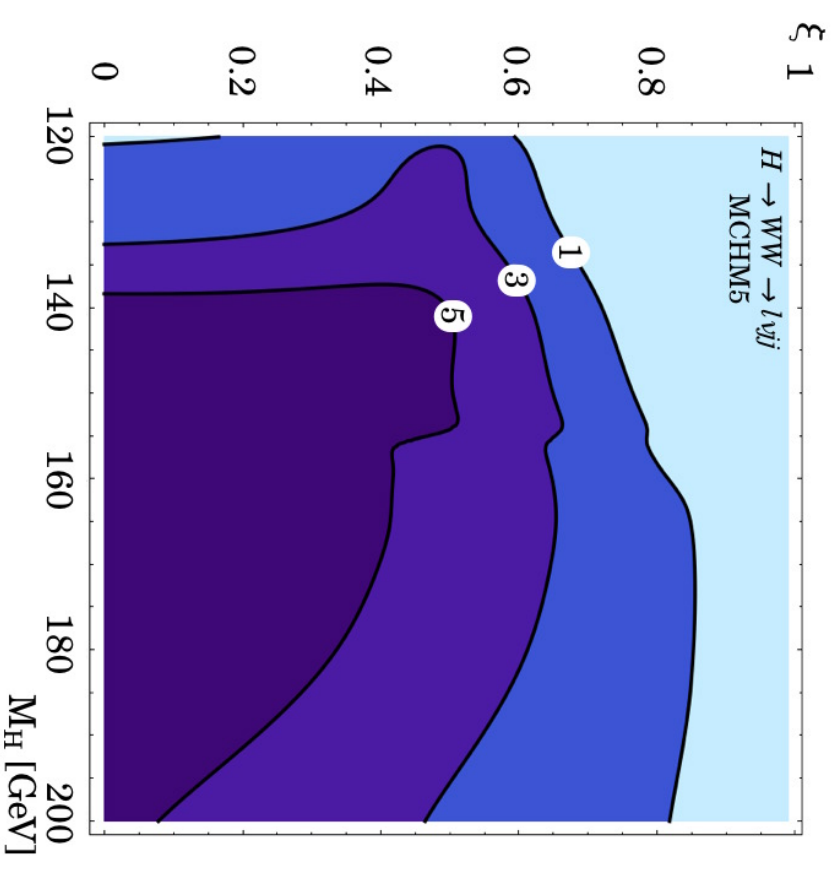
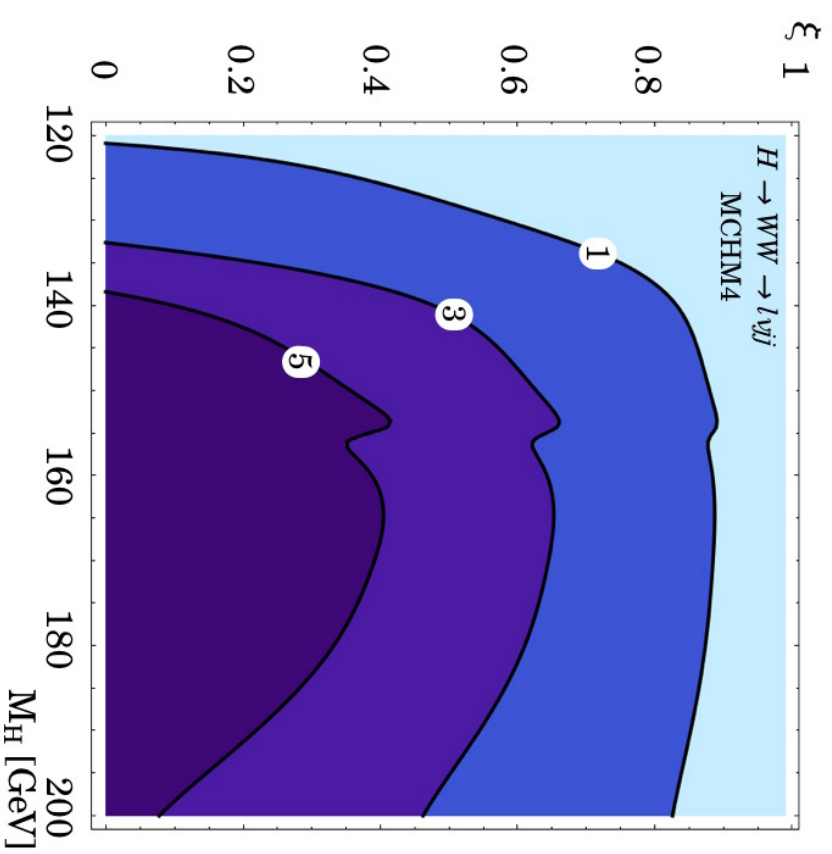
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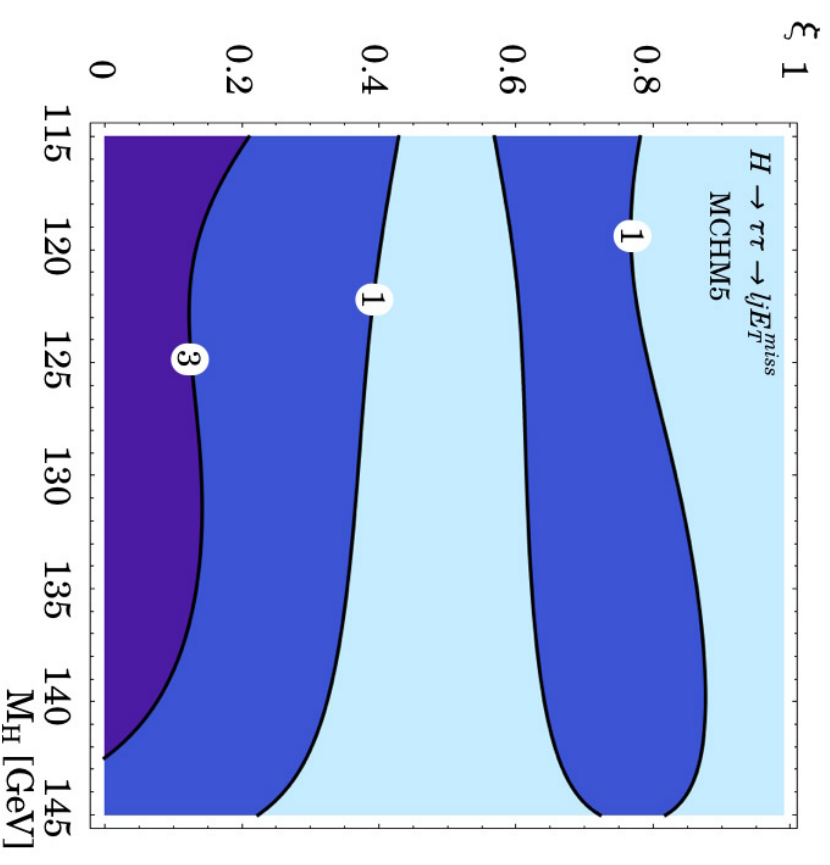
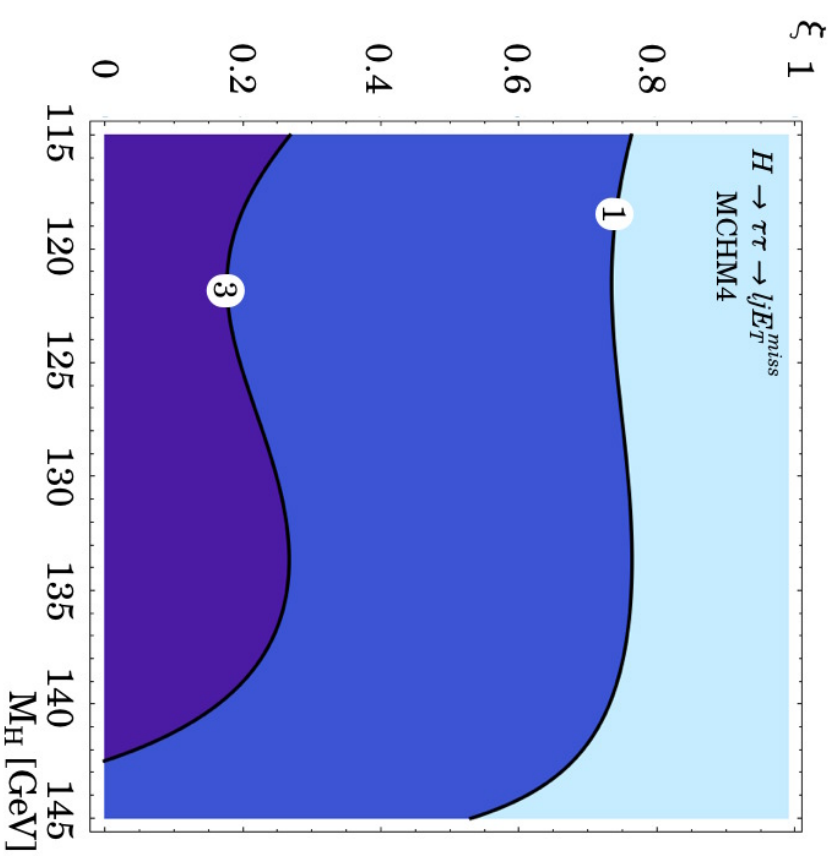
Significance: Poisson significance w/ systematic uncertainty 7.8%.



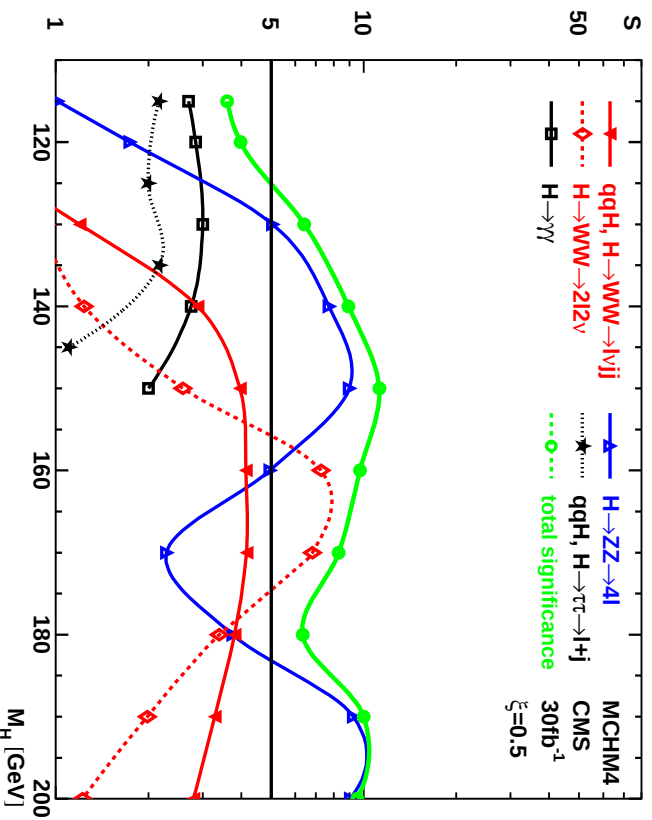
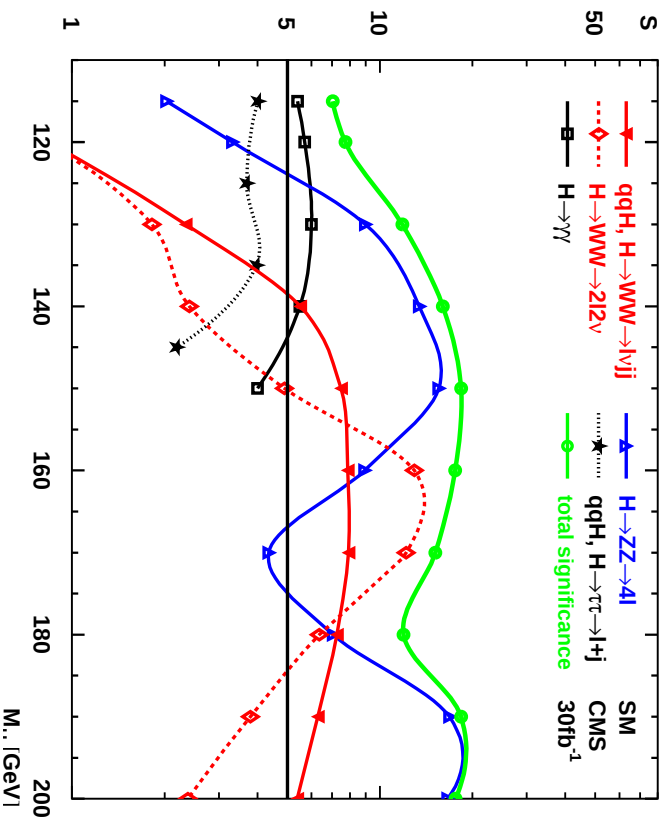








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