

# A 126 GeV Higgs boson with enhanced $\gamma\gamma$ rate in Supersymmetry

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# Decay rates

Higgs-like particles with mass of 126 GeV observed

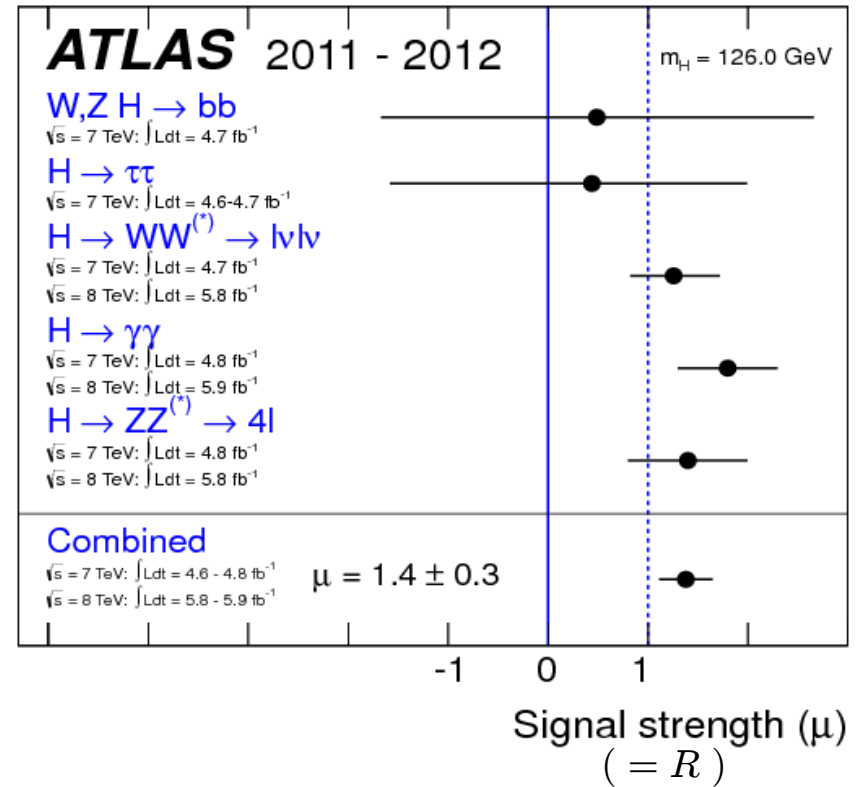
- ATLAS and CMS give best fit signal strength

$$R = (\sigma \times BR) / (\sigma \times BR)_{SM}$$

- Consistent with the SM

However:

- Enhanced  $\gamma\gamma$  signal
- Nothing seen in  $\tau\tau$  and  $bb$  mode
  - What about Tevatron?
- Many new physics alternatives possible



# Higgs sector in the MSSM

- Two Higgs doublets

$$H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi_1 - i\chi_1) \\ -\phi_1^- \end{pmatrix}, \quad H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2^+ \\ v_2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi_2 + i\chi_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

- 5 physical Higgs bosons: 2 CP-even, 1 CP-odd, 2 charged

$$\begin{pmatrix} H \\ h \end{pmatrix} = U_\alpha \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} G \\ A \end{pmatrix} = U_\beta \begin{pmatrix} \chi_1 \\ \chi_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} G^\pm \\ H^\pm \end{pmatrix} = U_\beta \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^\pm \\ \phi_2^\pm \end{pmatrix}$$

- Tree level:  $M_h \leq M_Z$
- Large radiative corrections:  $M_h \lesssim 135 \text{ GeV}$
- $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha_{\text{eff}}$  approximation beyond LO

In the MSSM the Higgs signal at 126 GeV can be the light (h) or the heavy (H) CP-even Higgs

# How well does the MSSM describe the Higgs signal?

- Scanning over 7 MSSM parameters (~10 million points)

- Standard  $\chi^2$  method:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \frac{(R_i - \hat{R}_i)^2}{\sigma_i^2} + \frac{(M_h - M_h^{\text{ref}})^2}{\Delta M_h^2}$$

$M_h^{\text{ref}} = 125.7 \text{ GeV}$   
 $\Delta M_h = 1 \text{ GeV}$   
 SM:  $R_i = 1$

$$N_{\text{obs}} = N_{\text{ATLAS}} + N_{\text{CMS}} (+N_{\text{others}})$$

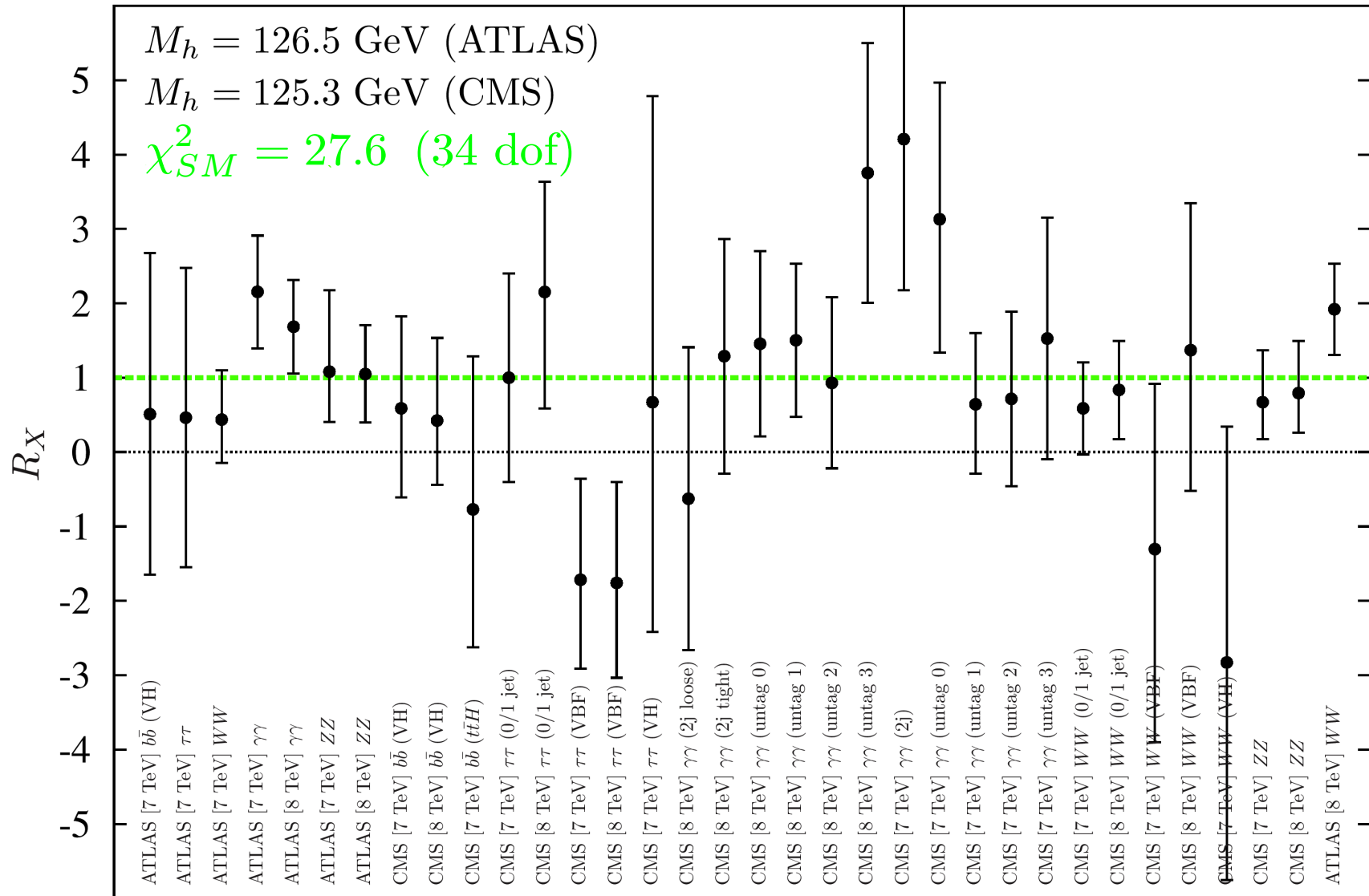
Tevatron data not included yet!

- $\chi^2$  calculated with/without B-physics observables and  $(g - 2)_\mu$
- MSSM Higgs decay rates calculated with channel efficiencies as weights

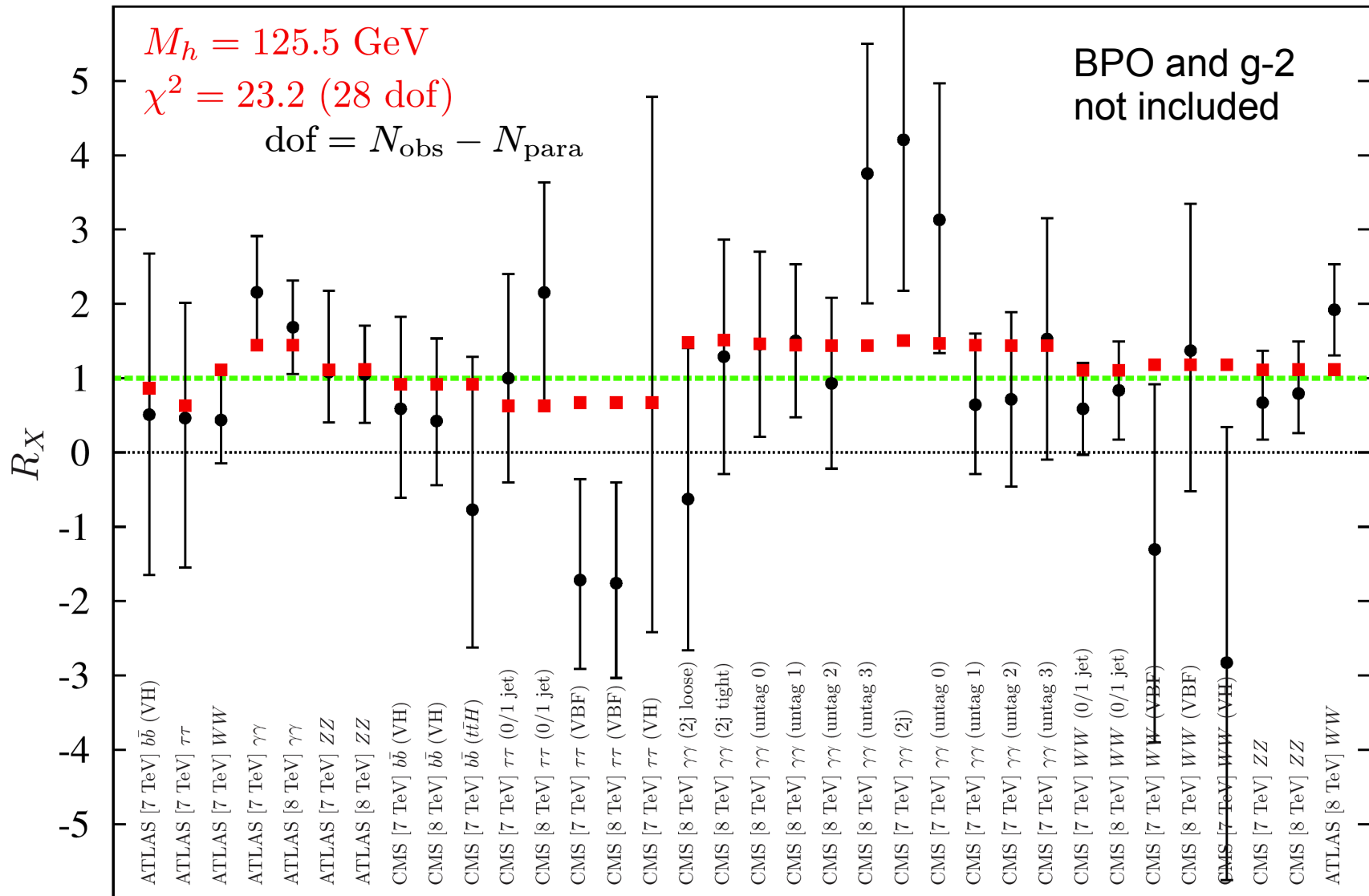
Weights available only for  $\gamma\gamma$   
Naive prediction for other channels

$$R_{xx} = \frac{\sum_k w_k \sigma_k \times BR(h \rightarrow xx)}{\sum_k w_k \sigma_k^{SM} \times BR(h \rightarrow xx)^{SM}}$$

# LHC data



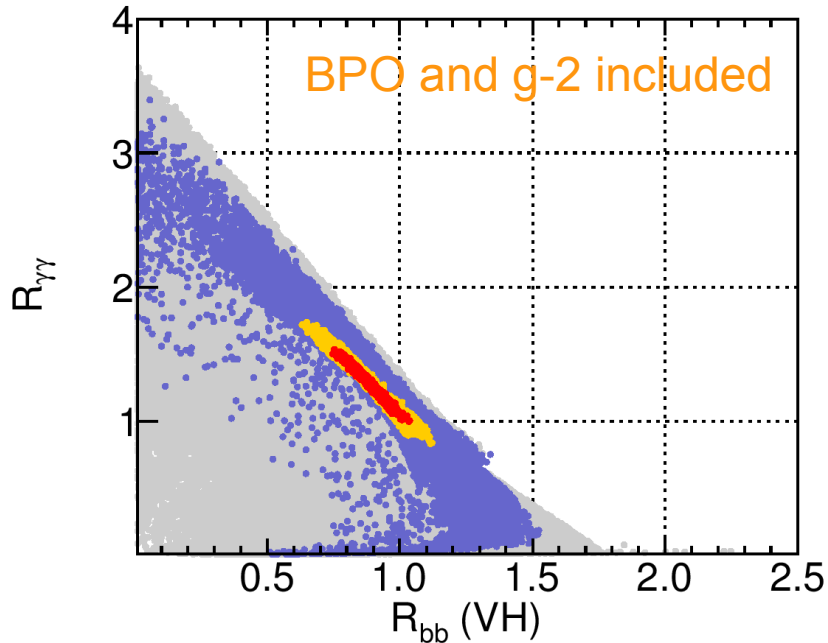
# Light Higgs case – Best fit for LHC rates



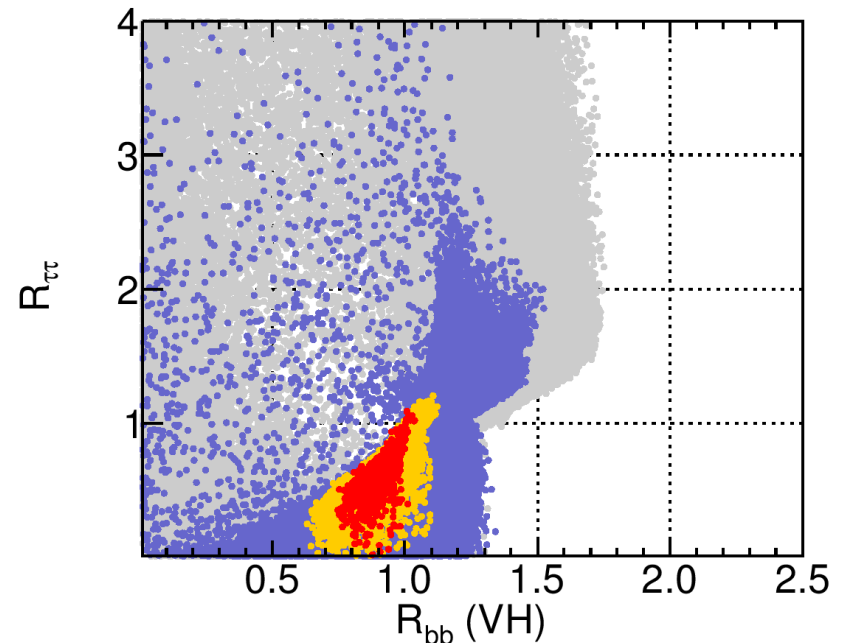
# Modified decay rates

- Which regions describe data best?

$$\Delta\chi^2 = \chi^2 - \chi_{\min}^2$$



- All points  $121 < M_h < 129$  GeV
- HiggsBounds allowed
- $\Delta\chi^2 < 2.30$
- $\Delta\chi^2 < 5.99$

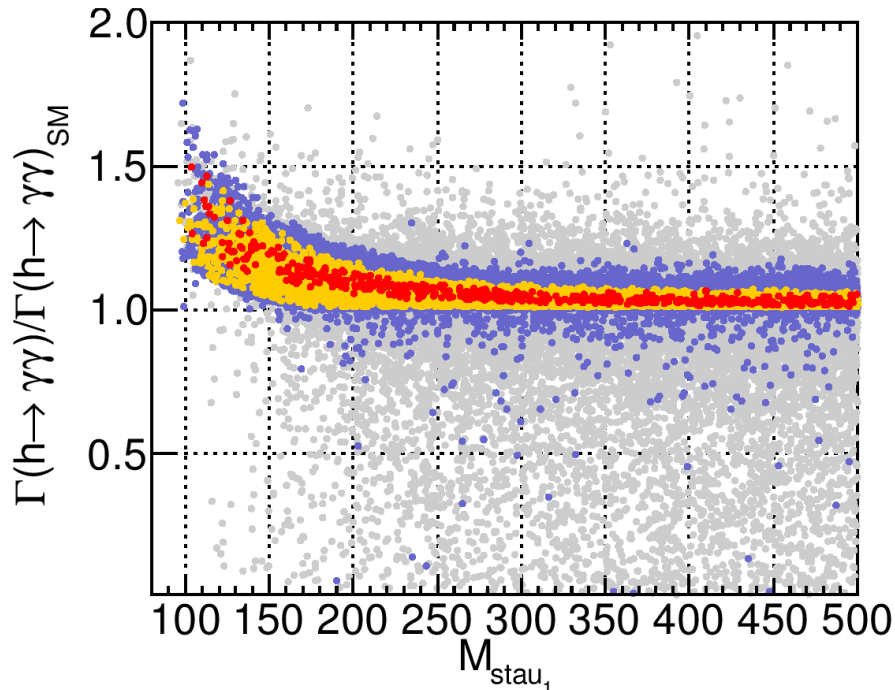


- Favored region in the MSSM:  
Enhanced  $\gamma\gamma$  rate, suppressed  $bb$  and  $\tau\tau$  rates
- Favored region might change when Tevatron data included

# Enhancing the $\gamma\gamma$ rate in the MSSM

Two mechanisms to enhance the  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  rate in the MSSM

## 1. Light Staus



- SUSY contributions to the partial width
  - Enhancement up to 50% of  $\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$

- Main contribution from light staus
- Implies staus with mass close to PDG bound ( $> 81.2$  GeV)
- Small effect on other decay rates

Carena, Gori, Shah, Wagner,  
[1112.3336], [1205.5842]



# Enhancing the $\gamma\gamma$ rate in the MSSM

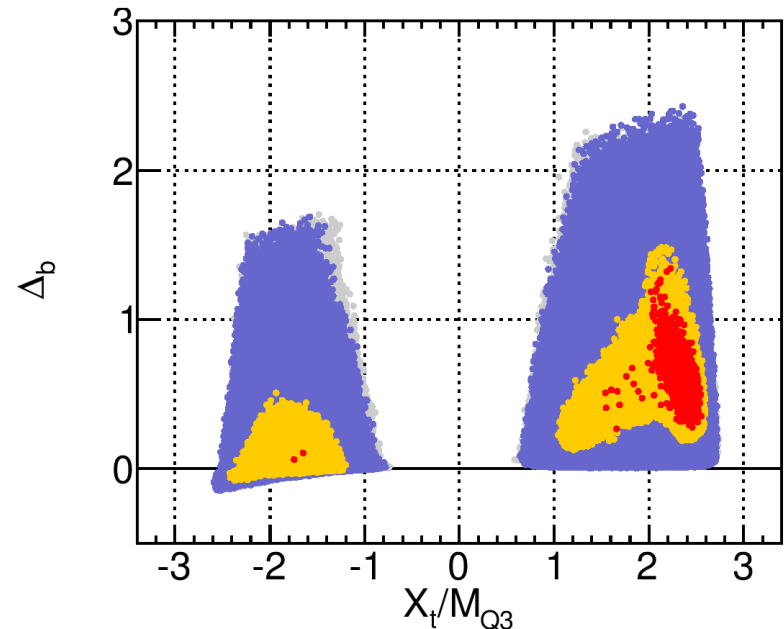
## 2. Suppression of the total width

- Suppression of dominant decay mode  $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Reduced  $hb\bar{b}$  coupling in the MSSM

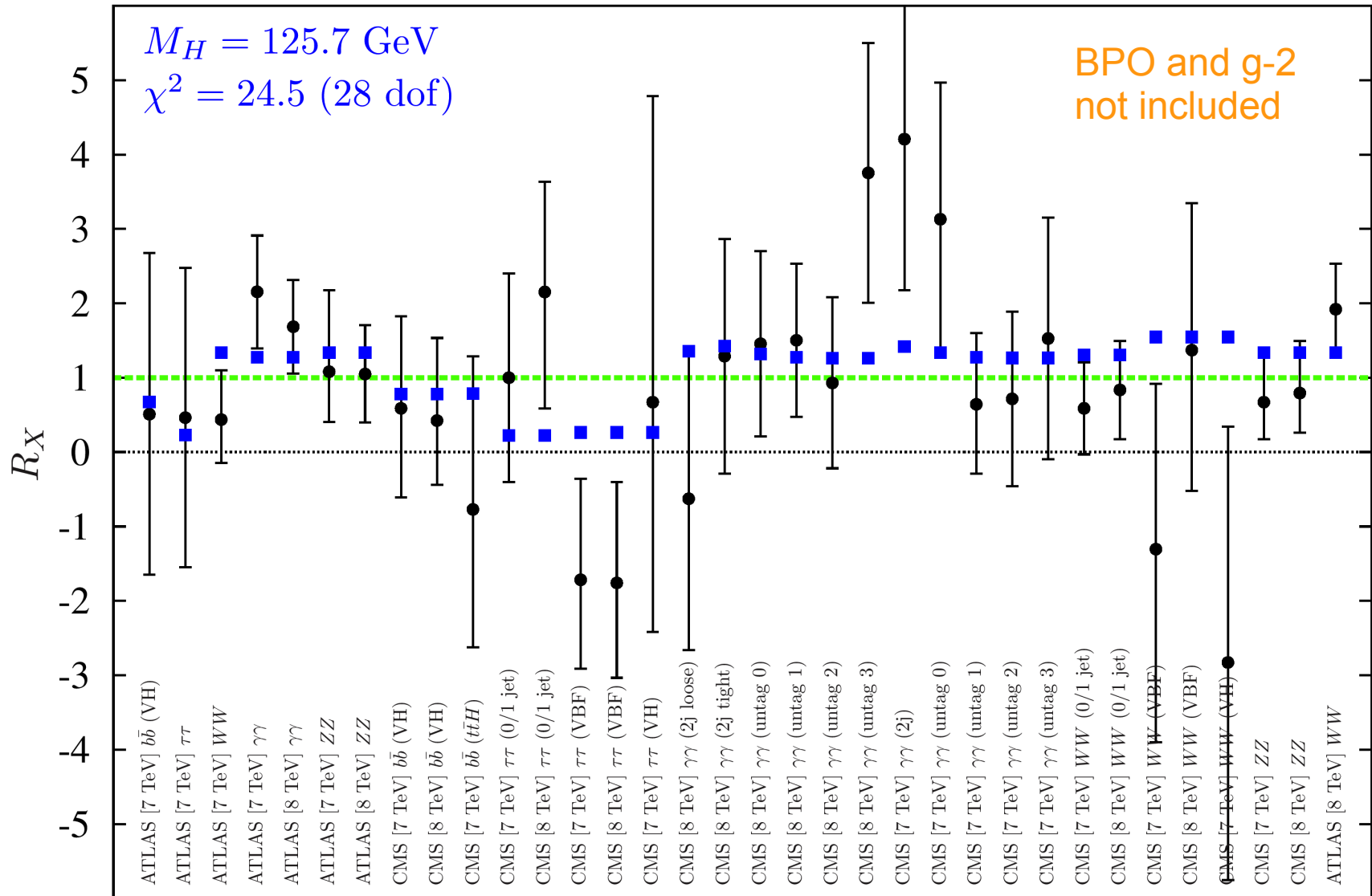
$$\frac{g_{hb\bar{b}}}{g_{H_{SM}b\bar{b}}} = \frac{1}{1 + \Delta_b} \left( -\frac{\sin \alpha_{\text{eff}}}{\cos \beta} + \Delta_b \frac{\cos \alpha_{\text{eff}}}{\sin \beta} \right).$$

Loop-induced SUSY correction

- Favored region has intermediate-large  $\Delta_b$  corrections
- Largest  $b\bar{b}$  suppression for
  - Large  $X_t$
  - Large  $\mu$  (1-3 TeV)

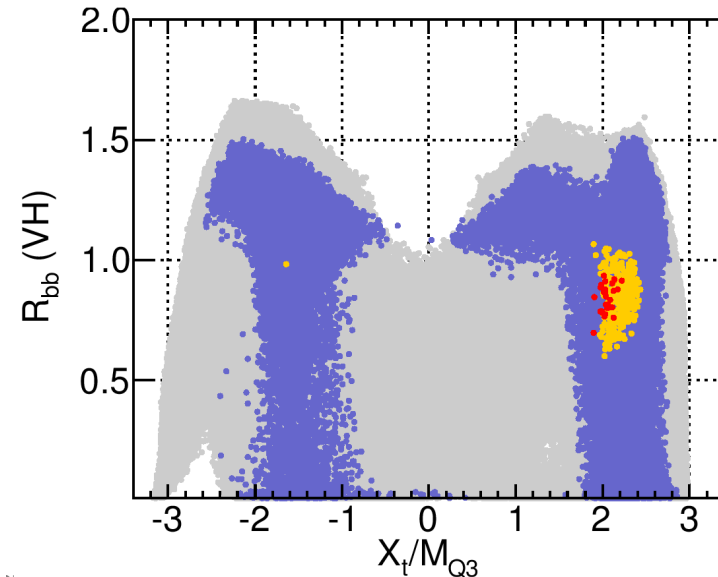
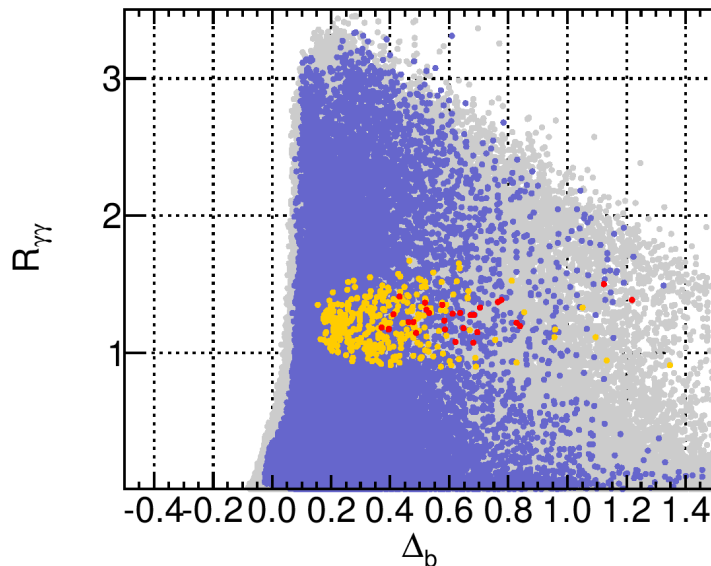


# Heavy Higgs case – Best fit for LHC rates



# Heavy Higgs case

- Allowed region in parameter space limited
  - Relatively low  $M_A$ 
    - Other MSSM Higgs states should be accessible soon
- Additional light CP-even Higgs
  - Reduced couplings to vector bosons
    - can be below LEP limit for SM Higgs
- Best fit decay rates similar to the light Higgs case



# Higgs sector in the NMSSM

- Motivation for NMSSM:  
Solved 'μ-problem' of the MSSM

$$W_{(2)} = \mu \hat{H}_2 \hat{H}_1 \rightarrow \lambda \hat{S} \hat{H}_2 \hat{H}_1$$

→  $\mu_{\text{eff}} = \lambda v_s$  naturally of the EW scale

- Additional Higgs singlet

$$S = v_s + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi_s + i\chi_s).$$

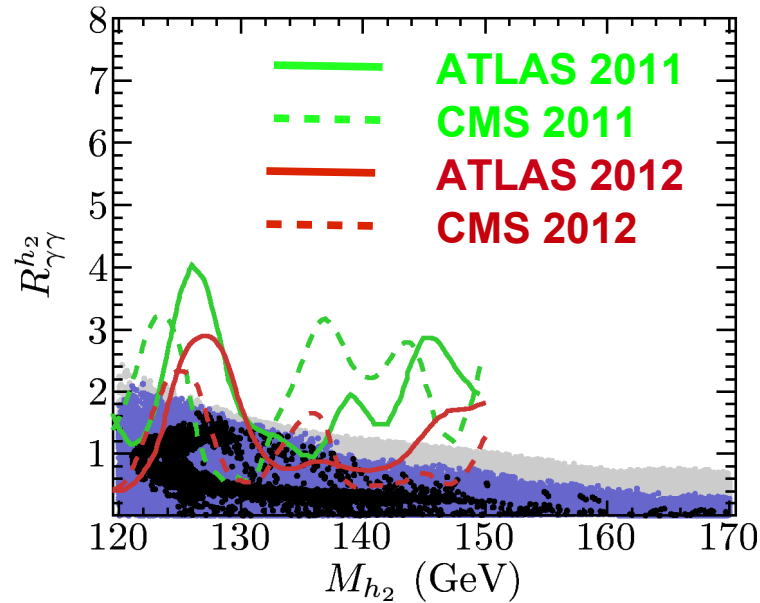
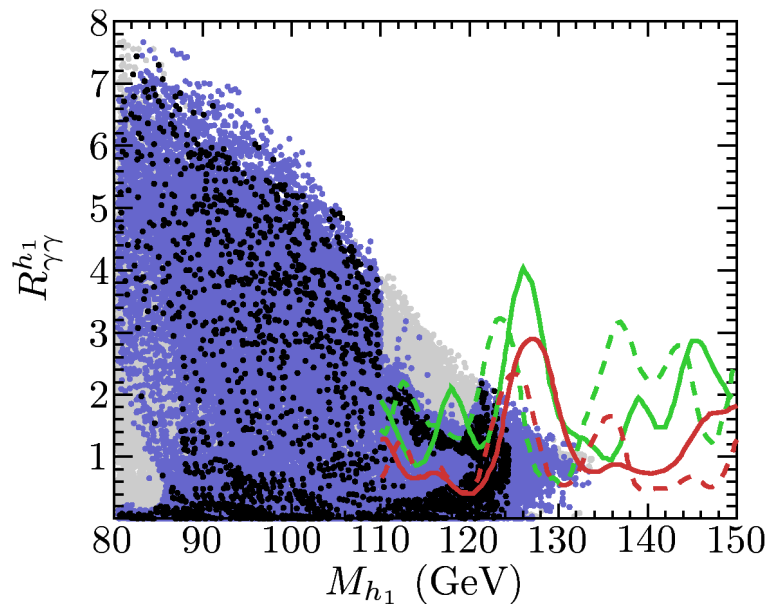
- Extended Higgs sector → 7 physical Higgs bosons

$$\begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \\ h_3 \end{pmatrix} = U^H \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_s \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ G \end{pmatrix} = U^A \begin{pmatrix} \chi_1 \\ \chi_2 \\ \chi_s \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} H^\pm \\ G^\pm \end{pmatrix} = U^C \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^\pm \\ \phi_2^\pm \end{pmatrix}$$

In the NMSSM the Higgs signal at 126 GeV can be the lightest ( $h_1$ ) or the second lightest ( $h_2$ ) CP-even Higgs

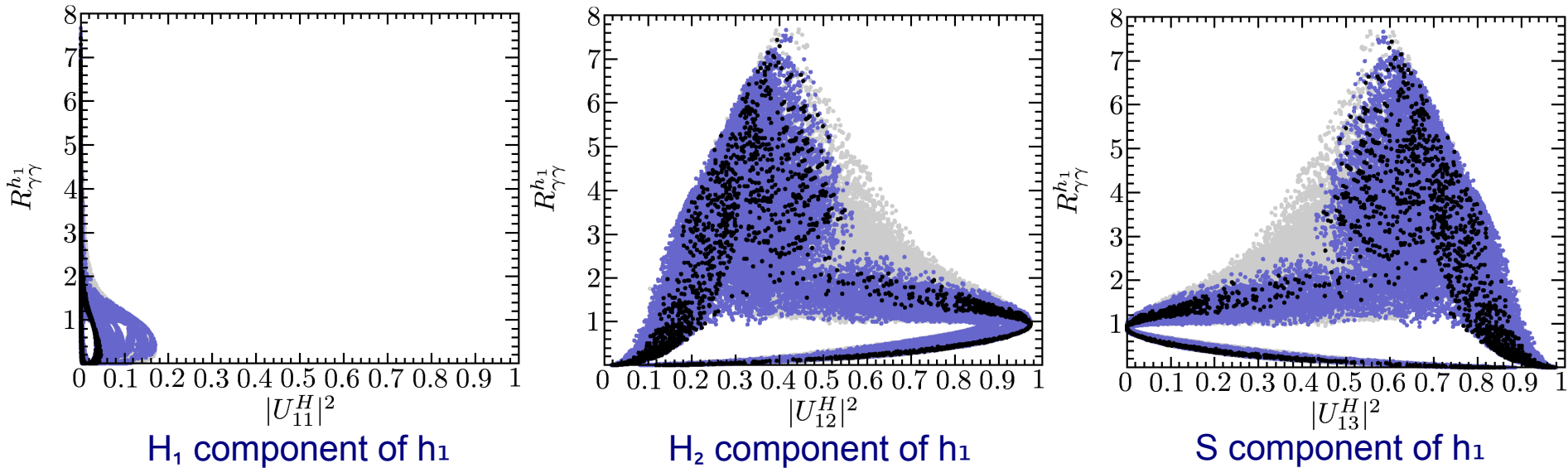
# NMSSM Higgs with enhanced $\gamma\gamma$ rate

- Scan over the NMSSM parameter space
- $R_{\gamma\gamma}$  calculated with **FeynArts/FormCalc**  
(Effective coupling approximation of gluon fusion)



- In the NMSSM for both  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  interpretations:  
**Enhancement of di-photon rate possible**

# Mechanism to enhance the $\gamma\gamma$ rate in the NMSSM



- Reduced  $h_1 b \bar{b}$  coupling in the NMSSM  $\propto U_{11}^H$
- $R_{\gamma\gamma}$  enhanced by a **strong suppression of  $h \rightarrow b \bar{b}$**  via doublet – singlet mixing
- Requires large sizable singlet component  
→ **Genuine feature of the NMSSM**

U. Ellwanger, [1012.1201], [1112.3548]

# Conclusions

- Signal in the two photon channel higher than SM prediction

## MSSM

- Fitting the MSSM to experimental rates
- Both  $h$  and  $H$  at 126 GeV interpretations viable
- Fit prefers enhanced  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ , suppressed  $h \rightarrow bb$  rate

## NMSSM

- Higgs at 126 GeV can be interpreted as  $h_1$  or  $h_2$
- Additional mechanism to enhance di-photon rate  
→ Suppression of  $h \rightarrow bb$  via doublet-singlet mixing

Thank you!

# Back-up slides



# Parameter ranges for MSSM fit

Random scan of 7 “pMSSM” parameters (~10 M points)  
 (+ $m_t$  varied in  $2\sigma$  interval)

	Min	Max
$M_A$	90	1000
$\tan \beta$	1	60
$M_{Q_3}$	200	1500
$A_t$	$-3 M_{Q_3}$	$3 M_{Q_3}$
$\mu$	200	3000
$M_{L_3}$	200	1500
$M_2$	200	500

$$M_{Q_{1,2}} = M_{U_{1,2}} = M_{D_{1,2}} = 1 \text{ TeV}$$

$$M_{D_3} = M_{U_3} = M_{Q_3}$$

$$M_{L_{1,2}} = M_{E_{1,2}} = 300 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_{E_3} = M_{L_3}$$

$$A_b = A_\tau = A_t$$

$$M_3 = 1 \text{ TeV}$$

$M_1$  fixed by GUT relation

# Values used for BPO and (g-2)

Observable	Experiment	SM prediction	Total unc. used
$\text{BR}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)_{E_0 > 1.6 \text{ GeV}}$	$(3.55 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-4}$	$(3.08 \pm 0.24) \times 10^{-4}$	$0.7 \times 10^{-4}$
$\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$	$< 4.5 \times 10^{-9}$ (95% CL)	$3.5 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{-9}$	$0.5 \times 10^{-9}$
$\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)$	$(1.64 \pm 0.34) \times 10^{-4}$	$(1.01 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{-4}$	$0.45 \times 10^{-4}$
$\delta a_\mu$	$(30.2 \pm 8.8) \times 10^{-10}$	0	$9 \times 10^{-10}$

# Parameter ranges for NMSSM scan

Parameter	Minimum	Maximum	
$A_t = A_b = A_\tau$	-2 400	2 400	GeV
$\mu_{\text{eff}}$	150	250	GeV
$M_{H^\pm}$	500	1 000	GeV
$\tan \beta$	2.6	6	
$\lambda$	0.5	0.7	
$K$	0.3	0.5	
$A_\kappa$	-100	-5	GeV

## Fixed parameters:

$$M_{\text{SUSY}} = 1000 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_L = M_E = 250 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_2 = 400 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_1 \approx M_2/2$$

$$m_{\tilde{g}} = 1200 \text{ GeV}$$

## Calculation of $R_{\gamma\gamma}$ in the NMSSM

- Production cross section approximated by gluon fusion
- Approximation  $\sigma(gg \rightarrow h)$  by  $\Gamma(h \rightarrow gg)$ 
  - Couplings the same, difference in kinematics neglected
- Total width:

$$\Gamma_{\text{tot}} = \frac{1}{m_h} \text{Im} [\Sigma(m_h^2)] + \Gamma(h \rightarrow WW^*) + \Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) + \Gamma(h \rightarrow gg)$$

# Summary of fits

Only LHC data

LHC + BPO +  $(g-2)_\mu$

Case	min $\chi^2$	dof	$\chi^2/\text{dof}$	$p$	min $\chi_{\text{tot}}^2$	dof	$\chi_{\text{tot}}^2/\text{dof}$	$p$
SM	27.6	34	0.811	0.77	42.3	38	1.11	0.29
MSSM- $h$	23.2	28	0.828	0.72	28.3	32	0.886	0.65
MSSM- $H$	24.5	28	0.874	0.65	31.0	32	0.969	0.52

$$\text{dof} = N_{\text{obs}} - N_{\text{para}}$$

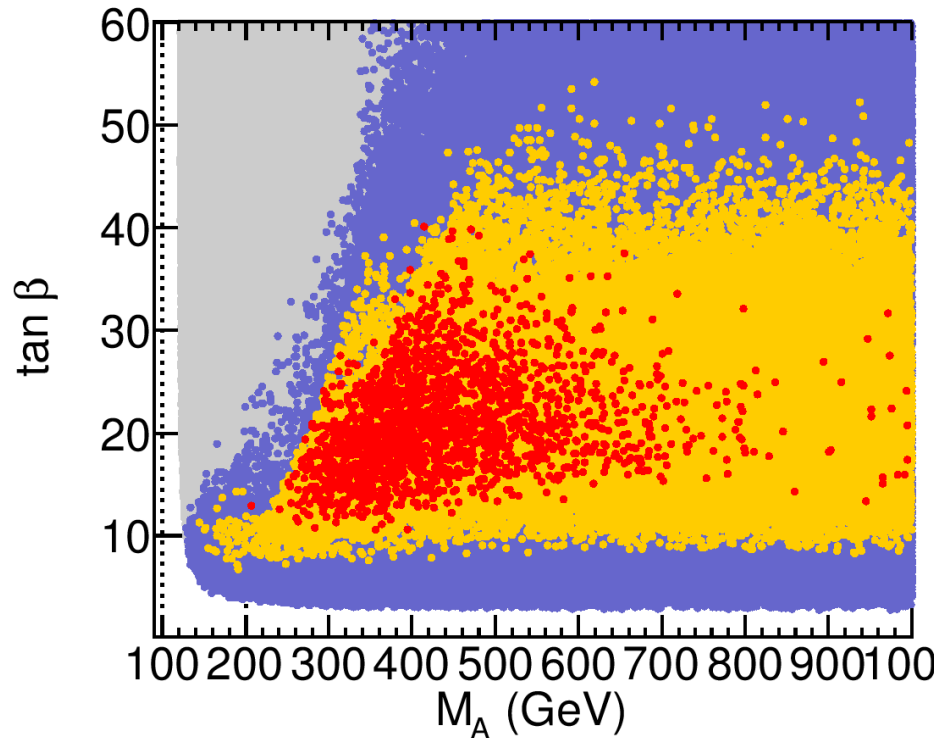
SM fit worse if  $(g-2)$  included  
( $3\sigma$  deviation)

- Fits in good shape for SM and MSSM (both interpretations)
- No model preferred over the others

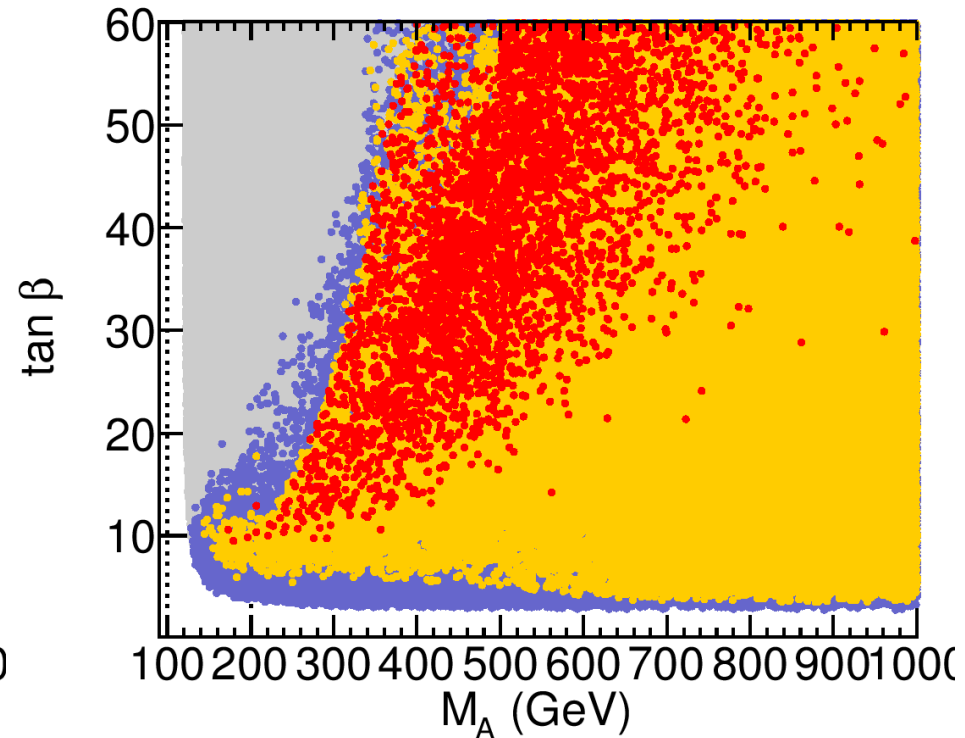
# MSSM light Higgs case

## Favored region in the $M_A$ – $\tan\beta$ plane:

With BPO and (g-2)

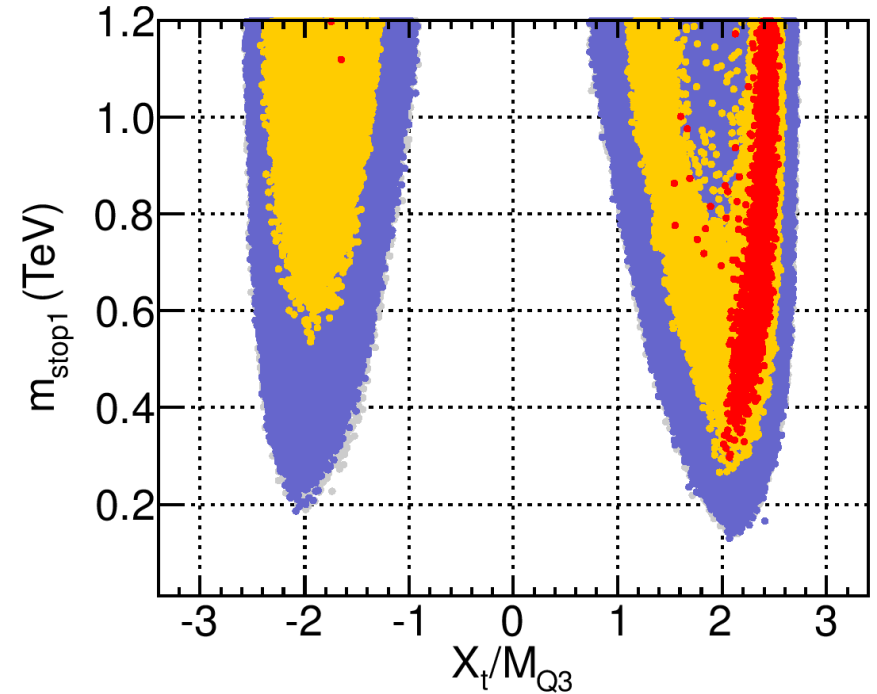
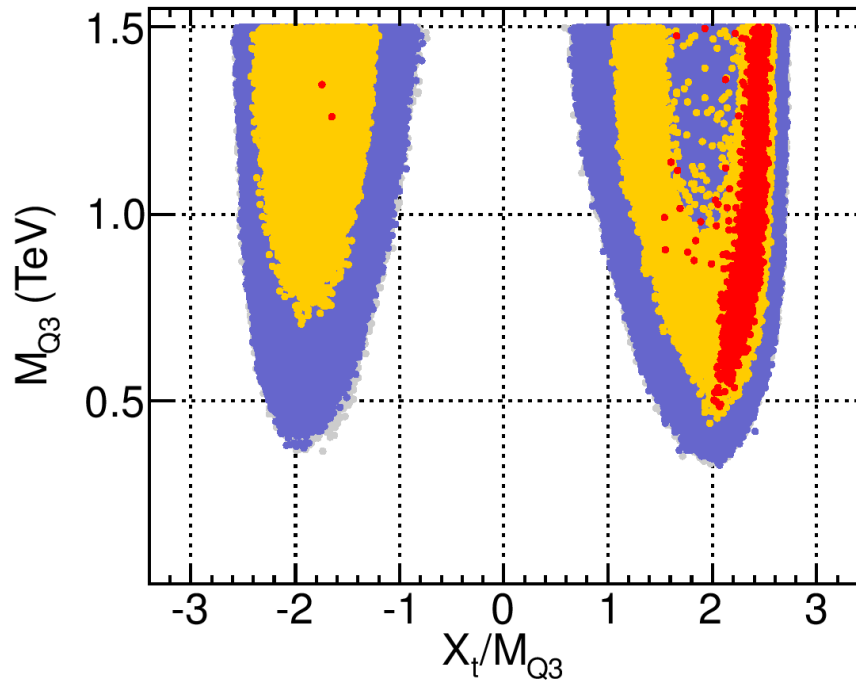


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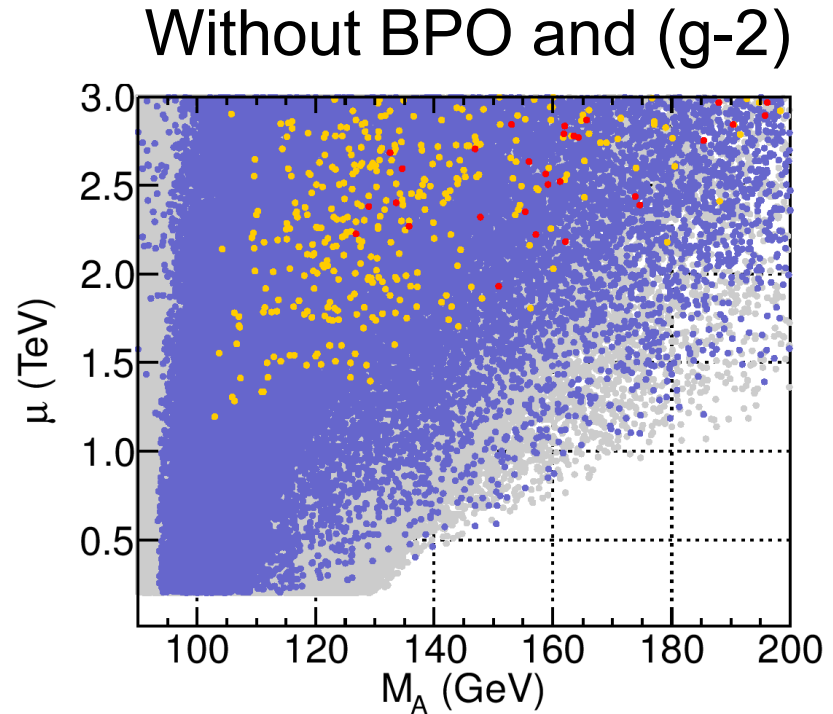
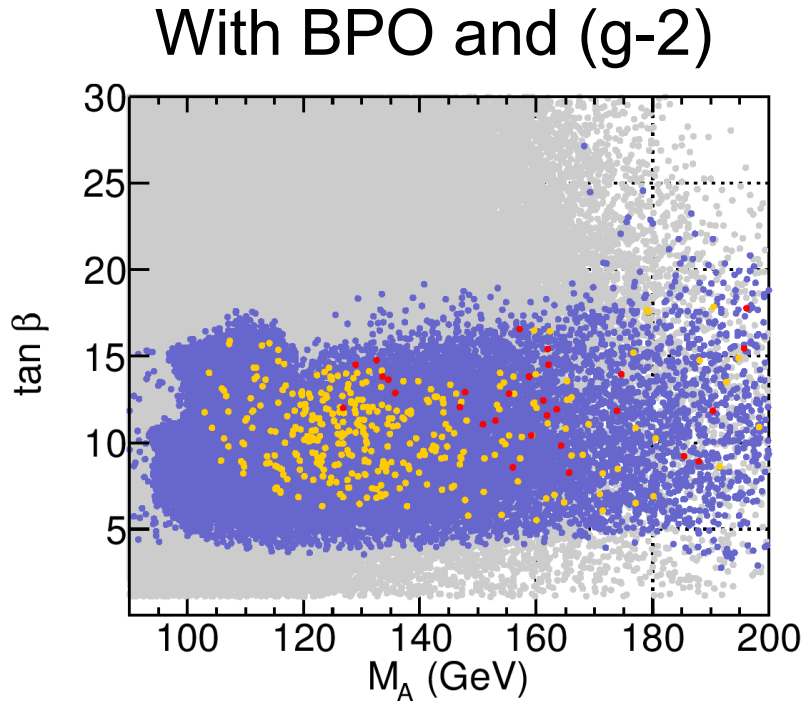
# MSSM light Higgs case

## Favored stop mixing, stop masses



# MSSM heavy Higgs case

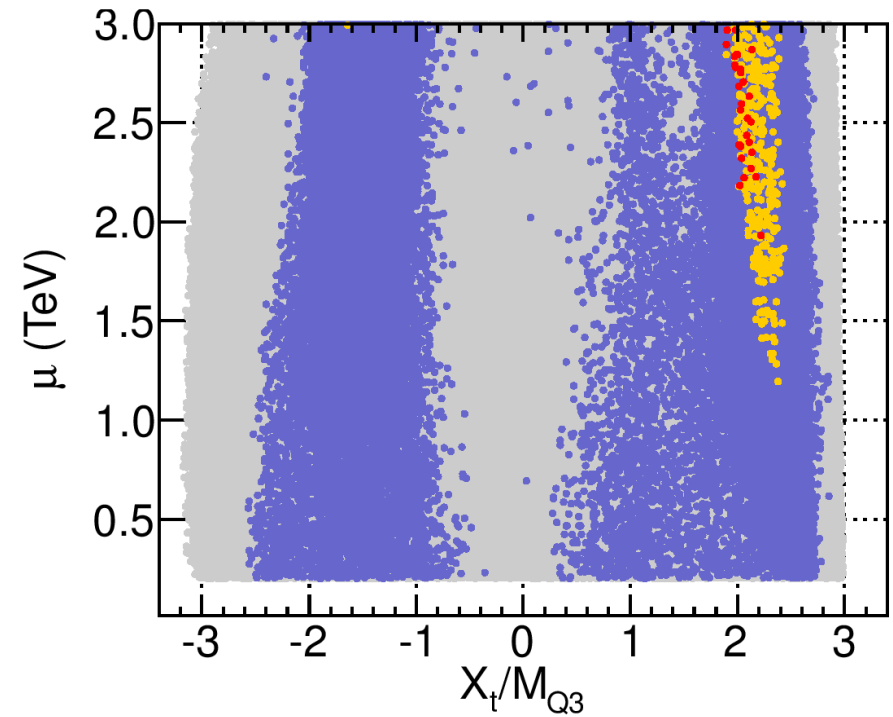
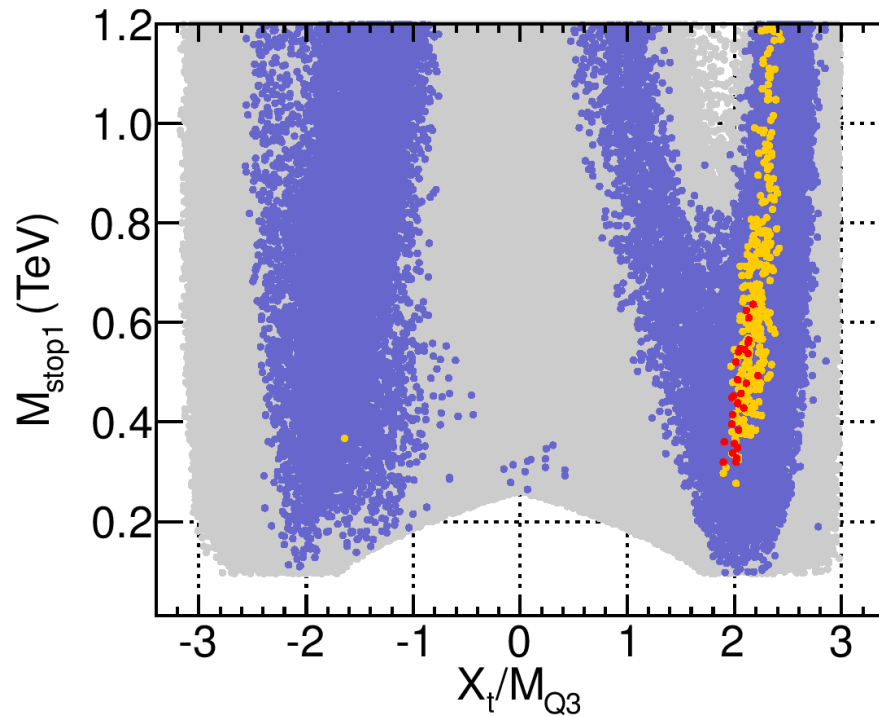
Favored region in the  $M_A - \tan\beta$  plane:



Allowed range for  $M_A$  unexpectedly large (for large  $\mu$ )  
Higgs mass prediction stable?

# MSSM heavy Higgs case

## Favored stop mixing, stop masses



## Example points

Parameter	$M_h \sim 126$ GeV	$M_H \sim 126$ GeV
$M_A$ (GeV)	277.0	107.3
$\tan \beta$	17.49	15.88
$M_{Q_3}$ (GeV)	567.46	738.79
$A_t$ (GeV)	1344.	1733.
$\mu$ (GeV)	2400.	1411.
$M_{L_3}$ (GeV)	1239.	953.6
$M_2$ (GeV)	459.5	245.9
Calculated		
$M_h$ (GeV)	125.8	86.4
$M_H$ (GeV)	235.7	125.4
$M_A$ (GeV)	277.0	107.3
$M_{H^\pm}$ (GeV)	280.0	130.5