

A Higgs Discovery via Exotic Higgs Decays

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Standard Model (before July 4th 2012)

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matter particles

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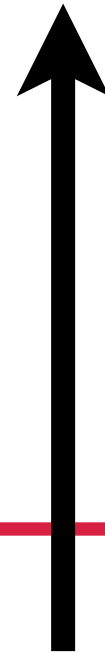


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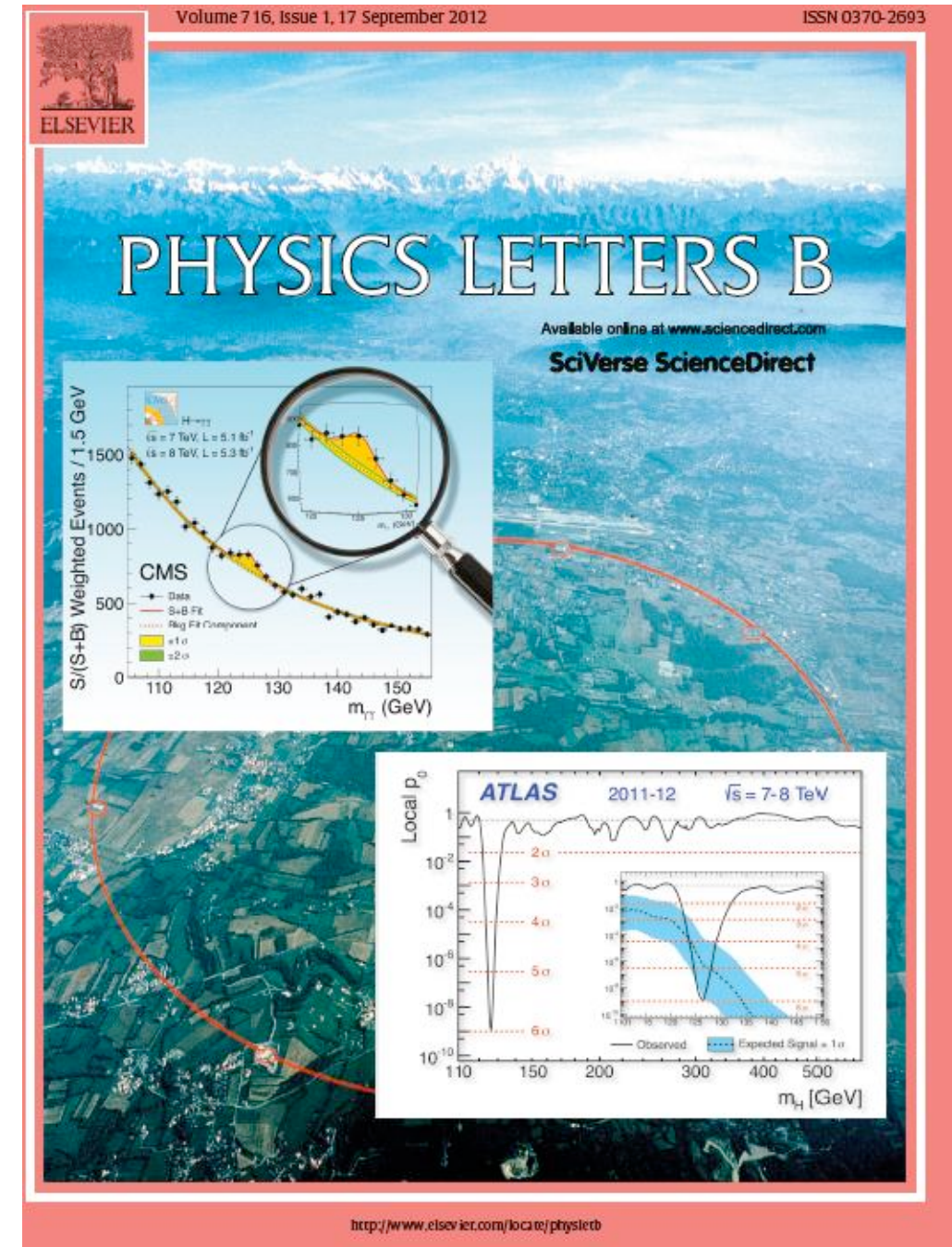


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Open Questions

Theoretical

Fundamental Spin 0 Particle

Origin of EWSB

Unstable Higgs Mass?

- Quadratically divergent radiative corrections
- additional symmetries?

Naturalness

- Hierarchy Problem
- Fine-tuning ?

Unified Theories

Experimental

Is it SM Higgs?

- Mass, Spin, Width
- Coupling to other particles
- Unexpected Decays?

What is Dark Matter?

- New Particles?
- Can we find them at LHC?

Deviations from SM?

- Precision Measurements
- Flavor Constraints

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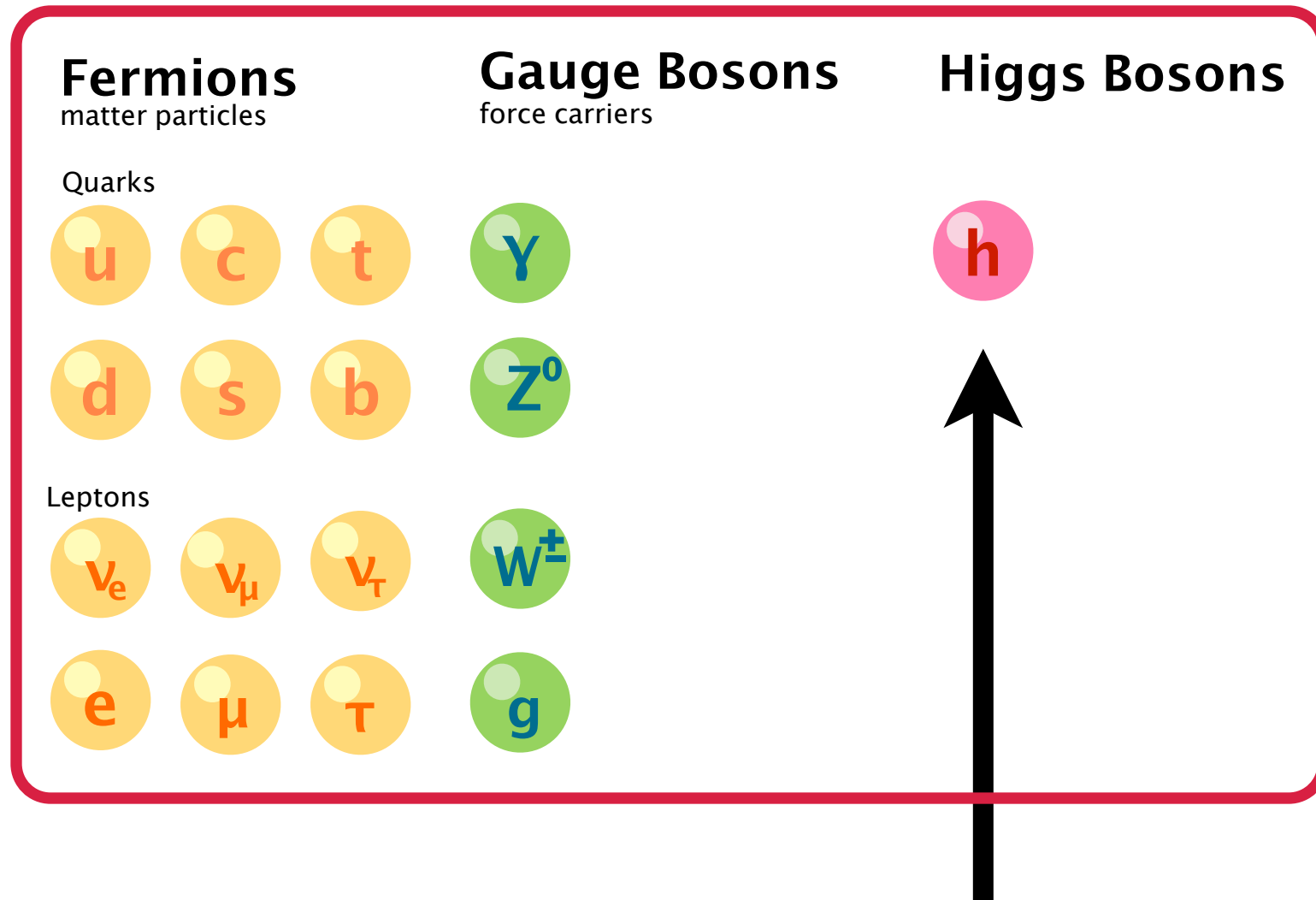
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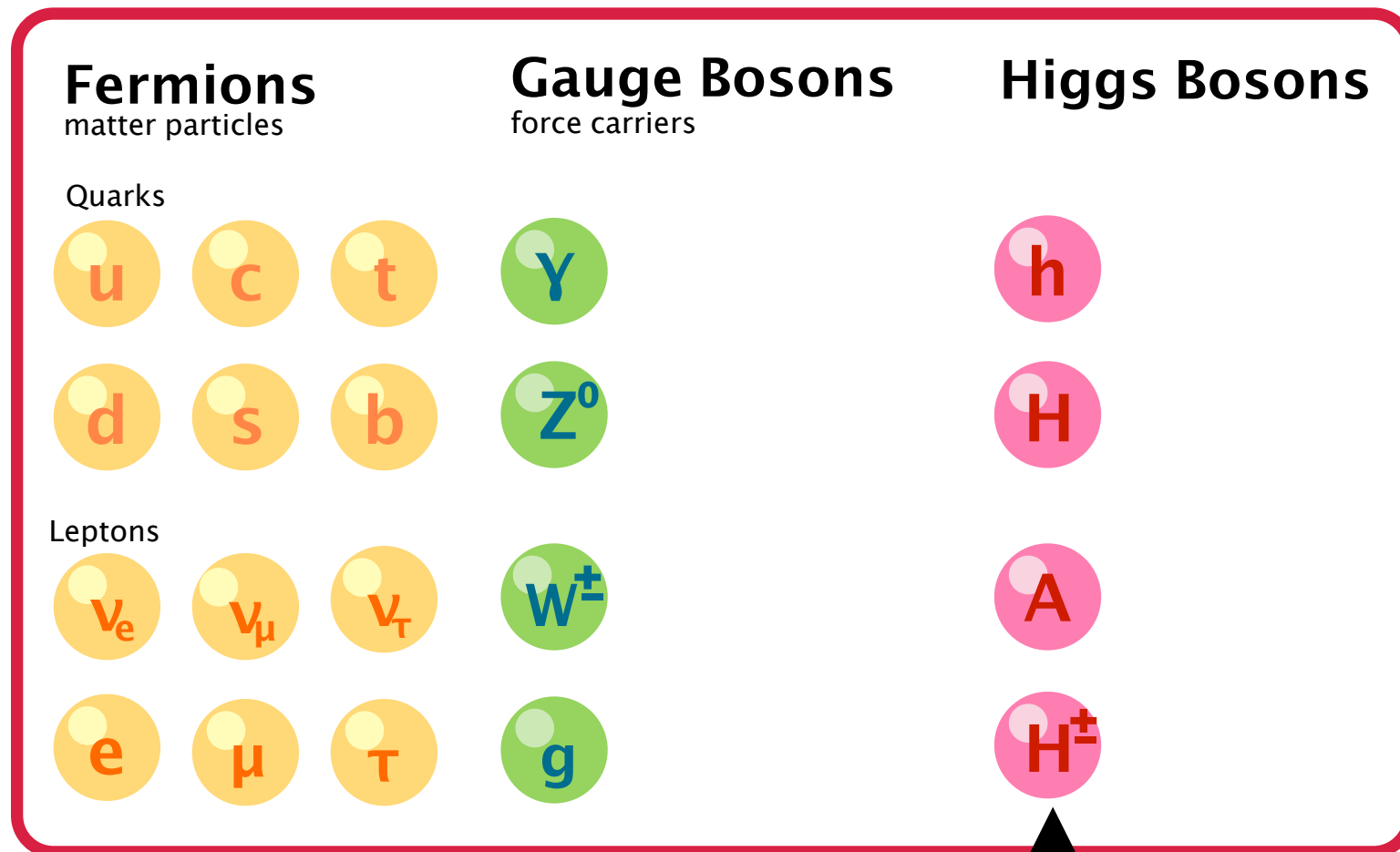
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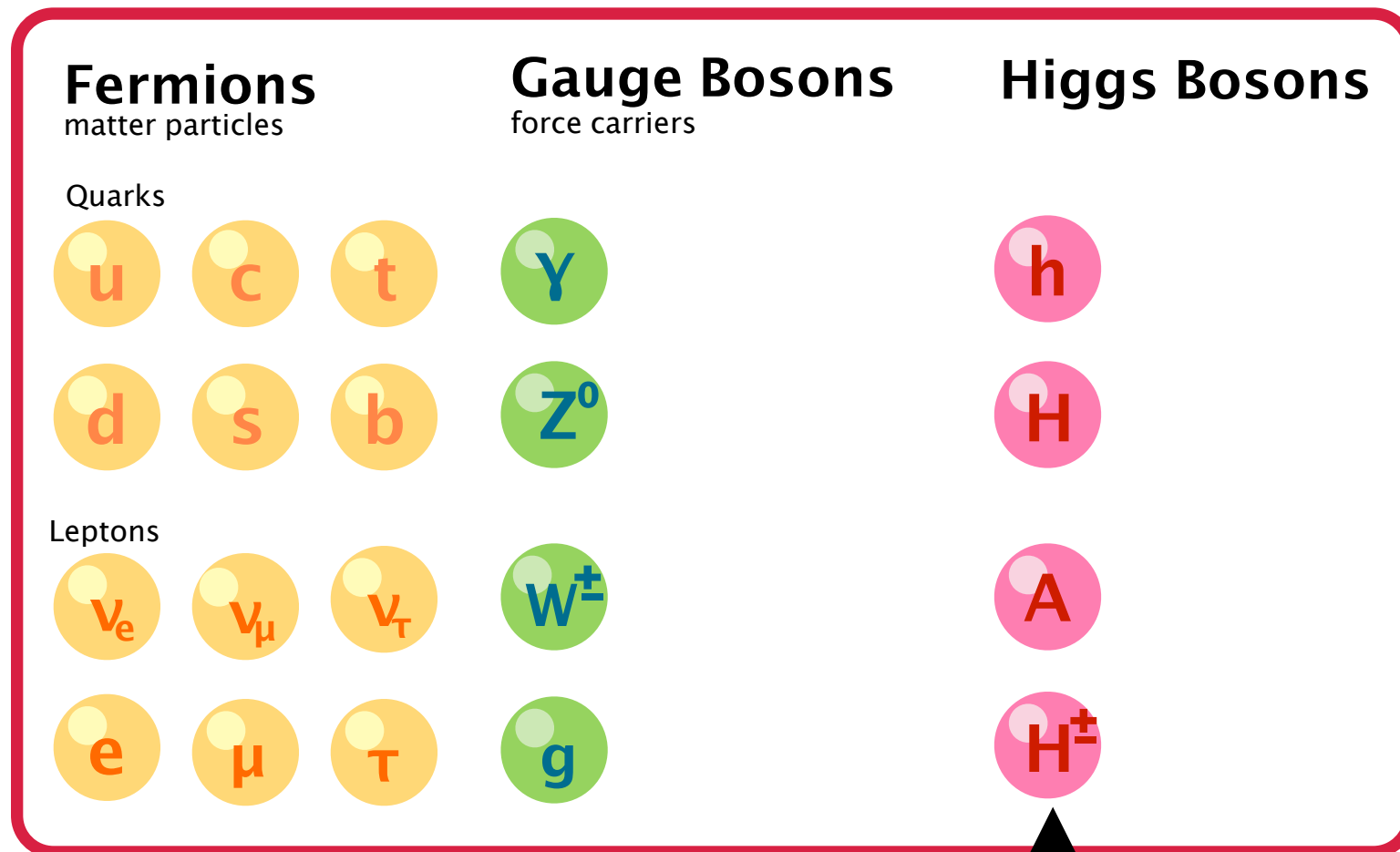
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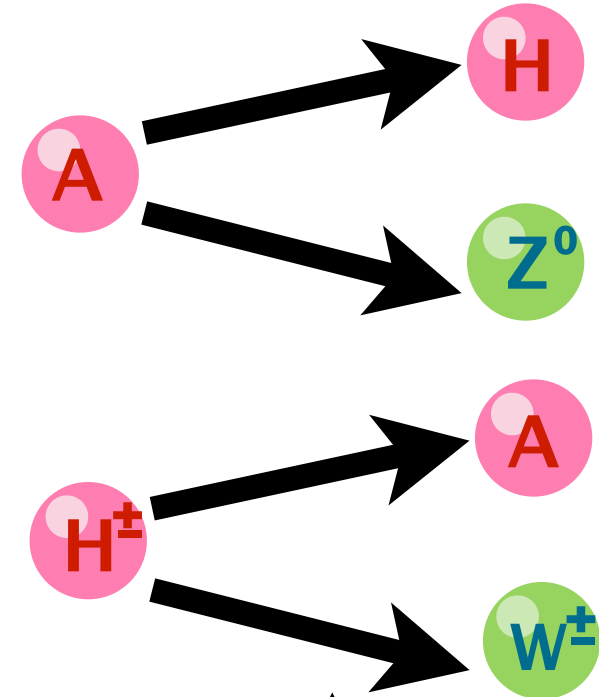
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Theory: SM

Standard Model:

- one scalar doublet Φ with $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ (v + \phi^0 + iG)/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$

where we use:

v vacuum expectation value

ϕ^0 physical Higgs boson

G, ϕ^+, ϕ^- Goldstone Bosons

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Couplings for Type II 2HDM:

- Coupling to fermions

up-like quarks couple to Φ_1

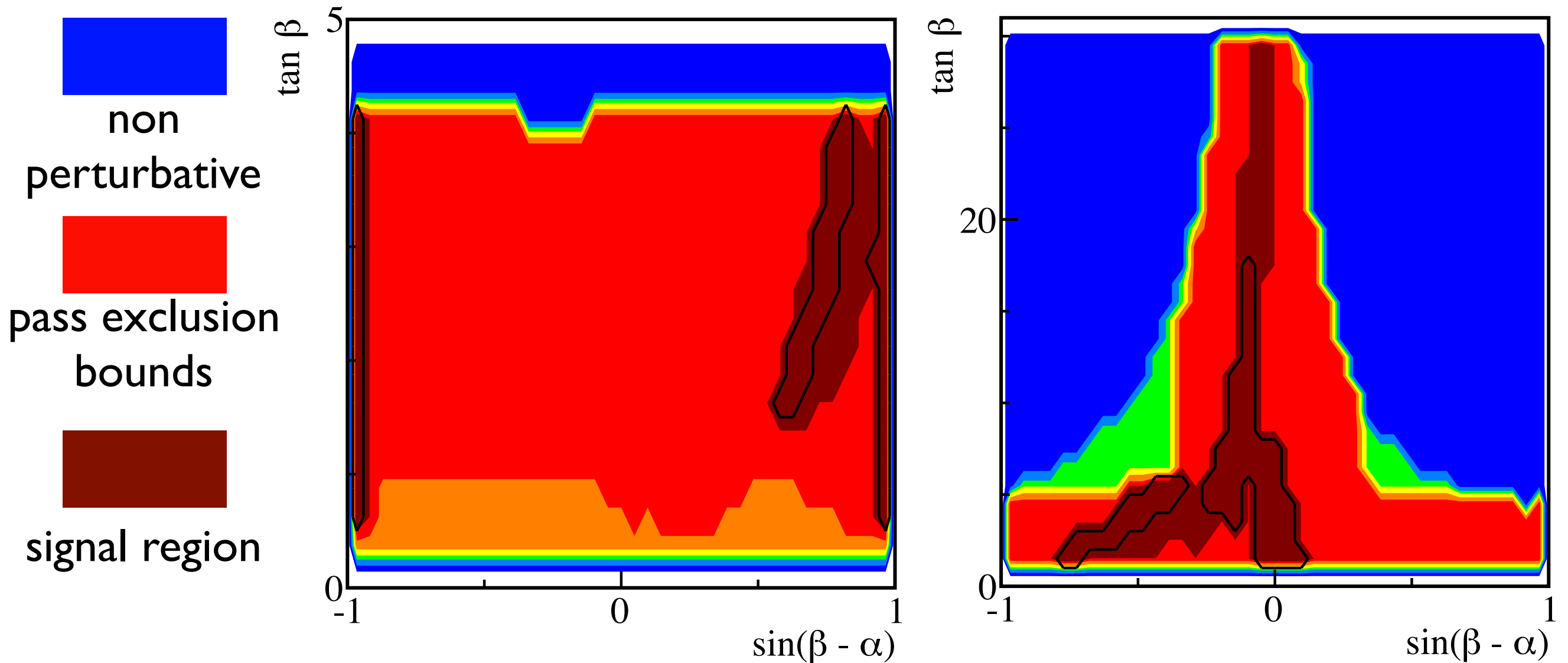
down-like quarks and leptons couple to Φ_2

Constraints on Parameter Space

see arXiv 1305.002

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SM like region:

$$\sin(\beta - \alpha) = \pm 1$$

extended region:

$$0.5 < \sin(\beta - \alpha) < 1$$

$$\sin(\beta - \alpha) = 0$$

$$-0.8 < \sin(\beta - \alpha) < 0$$

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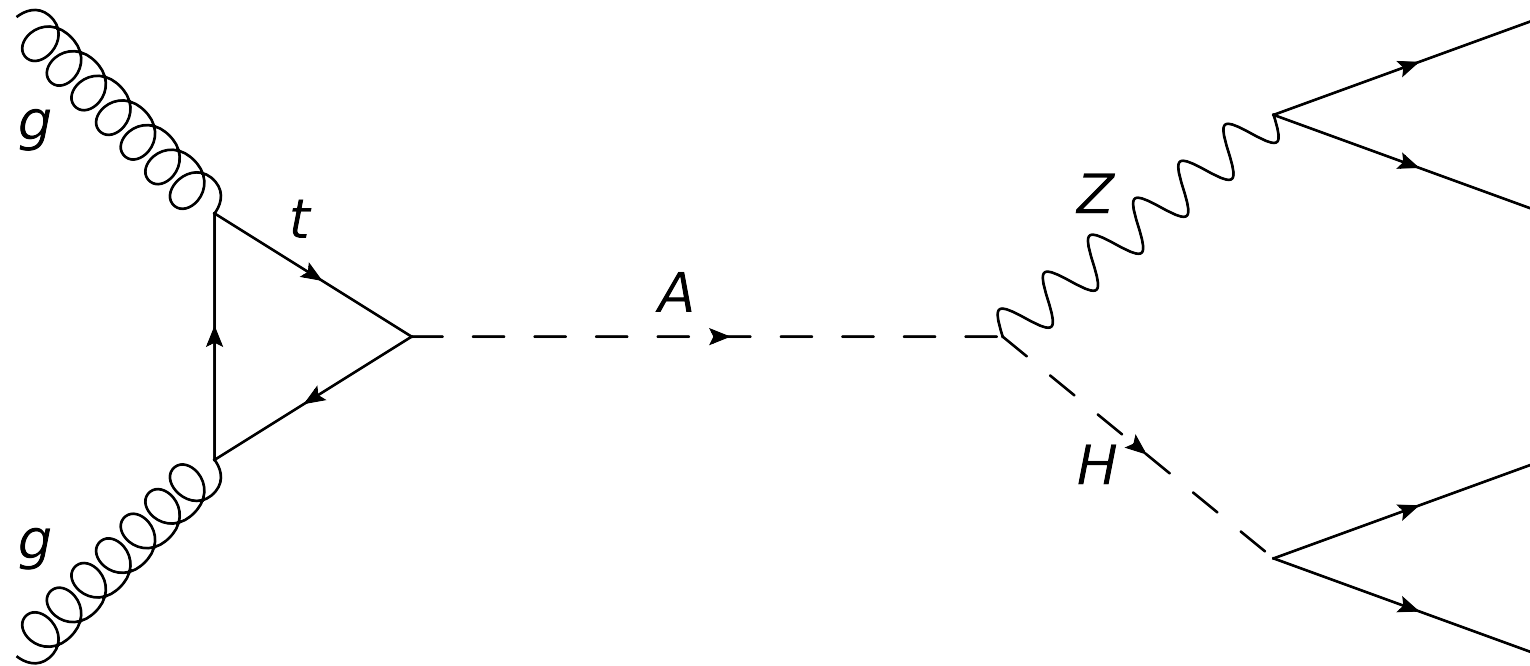
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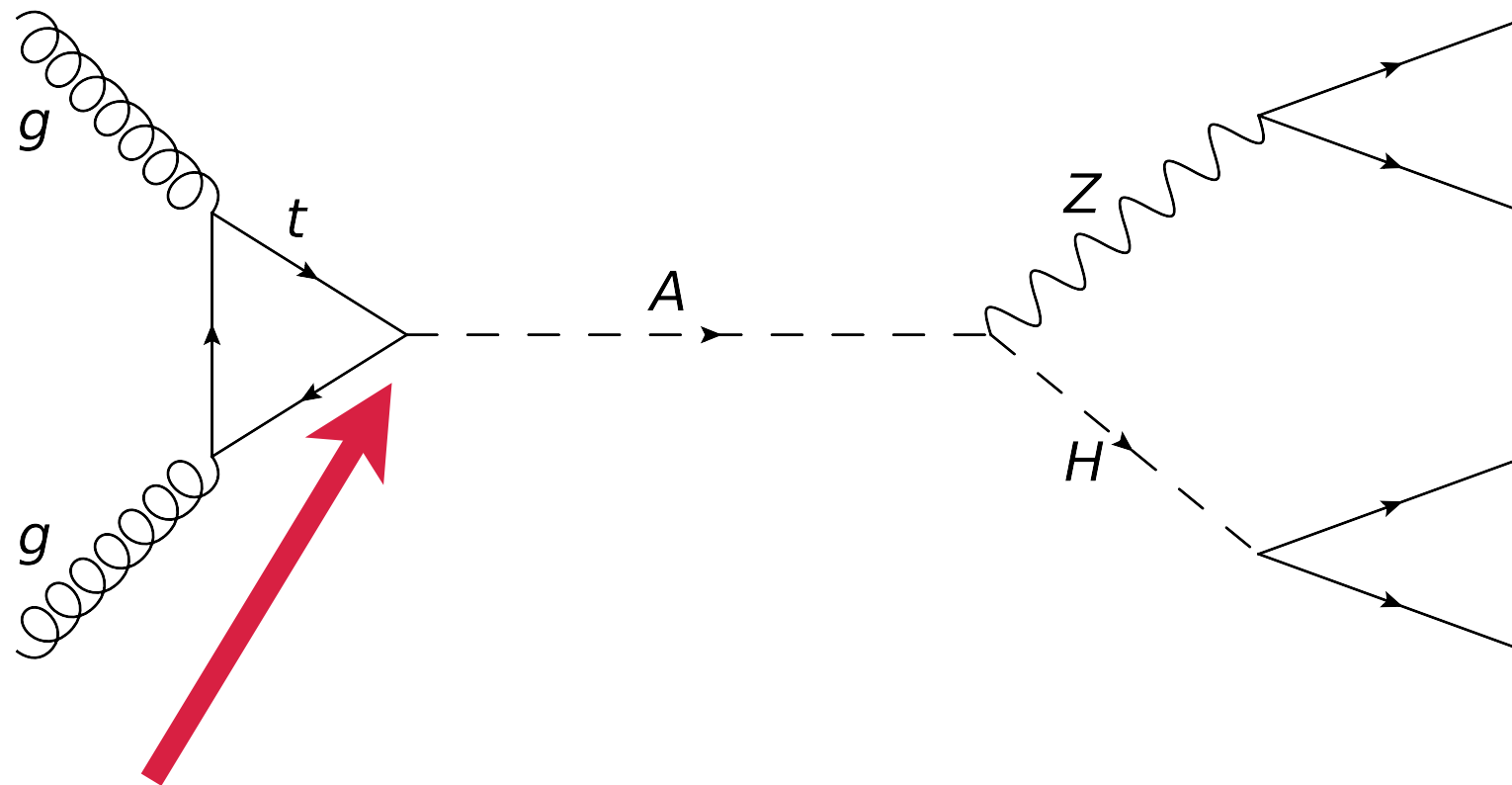
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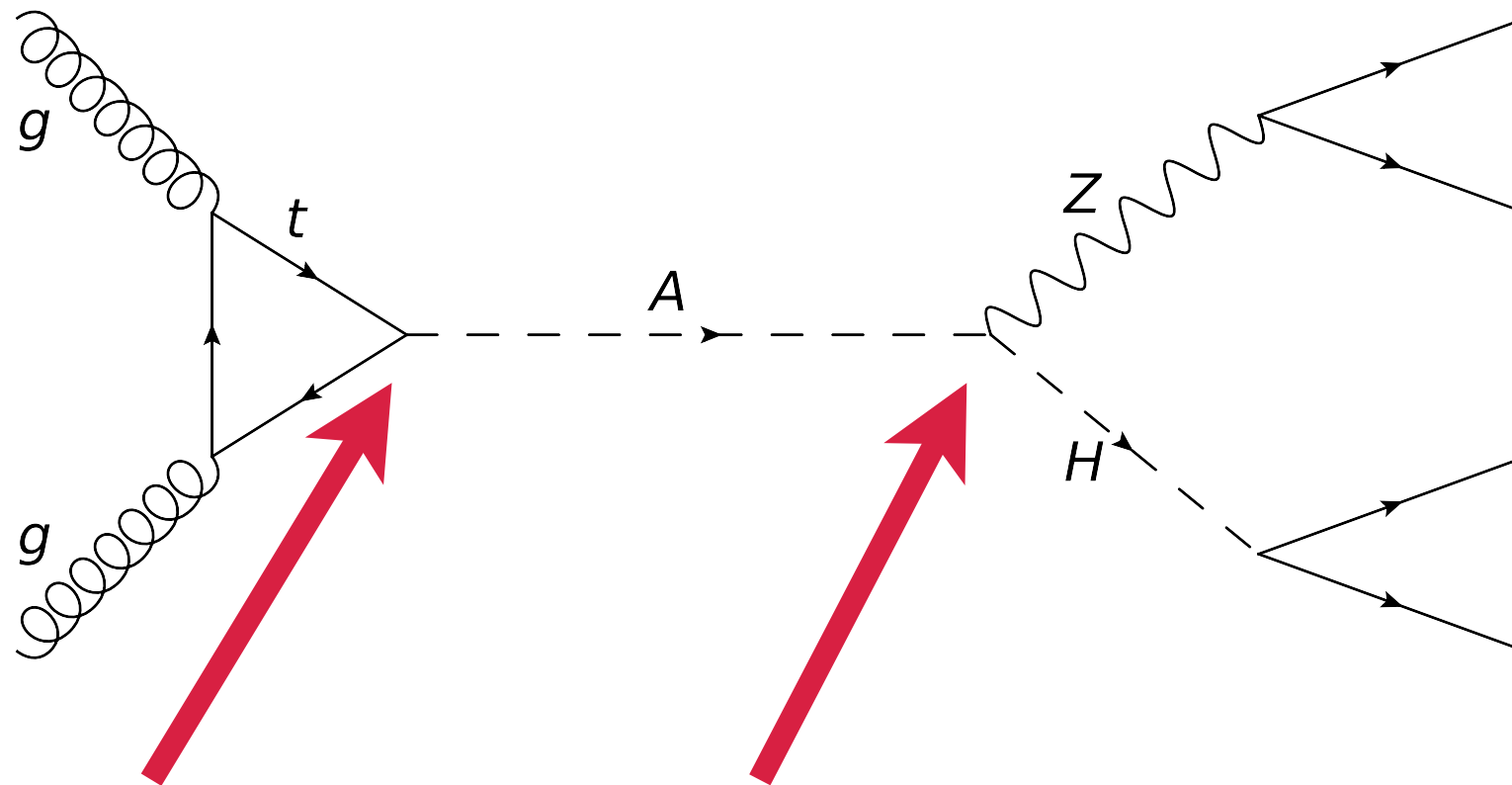
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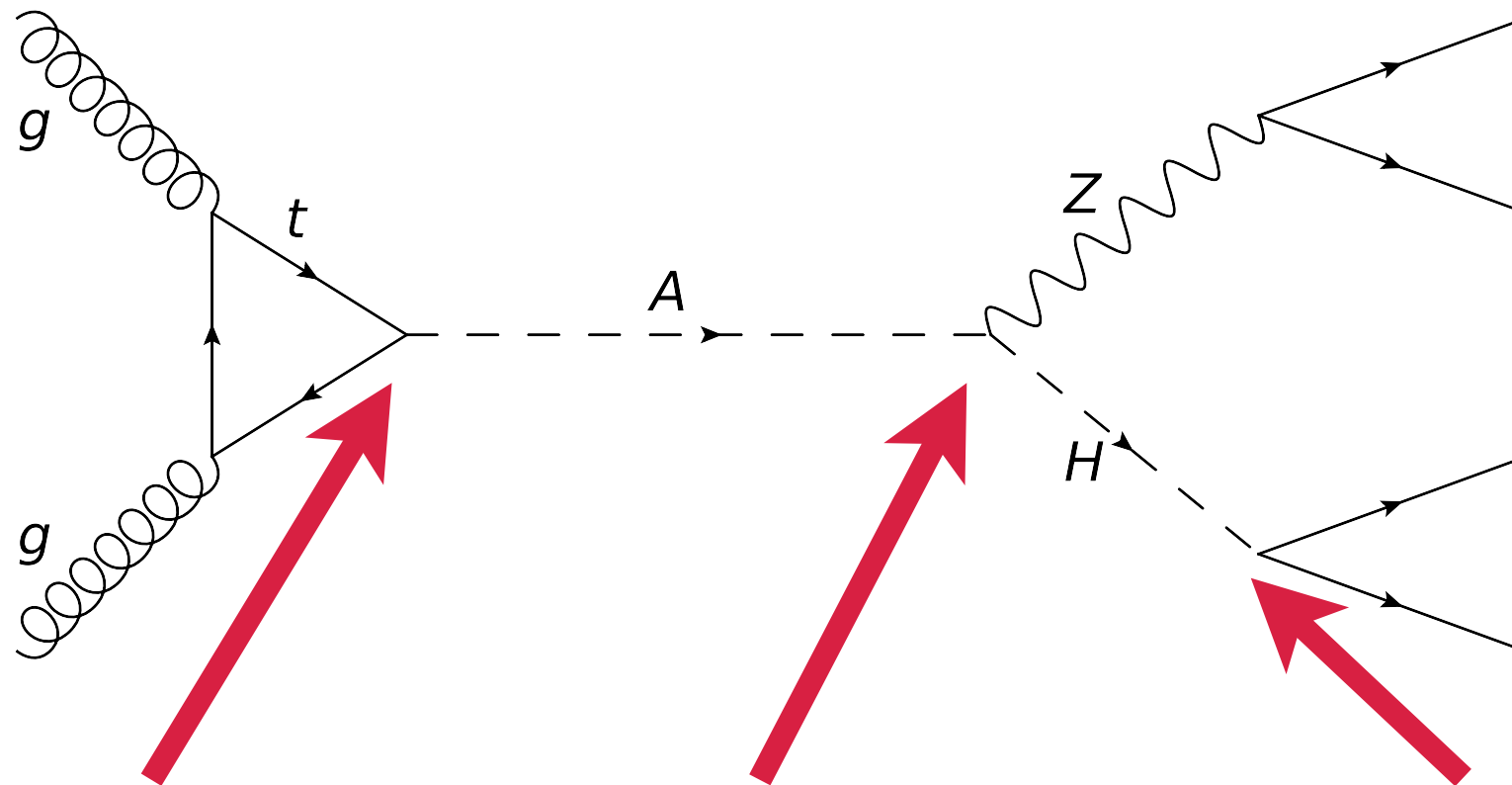
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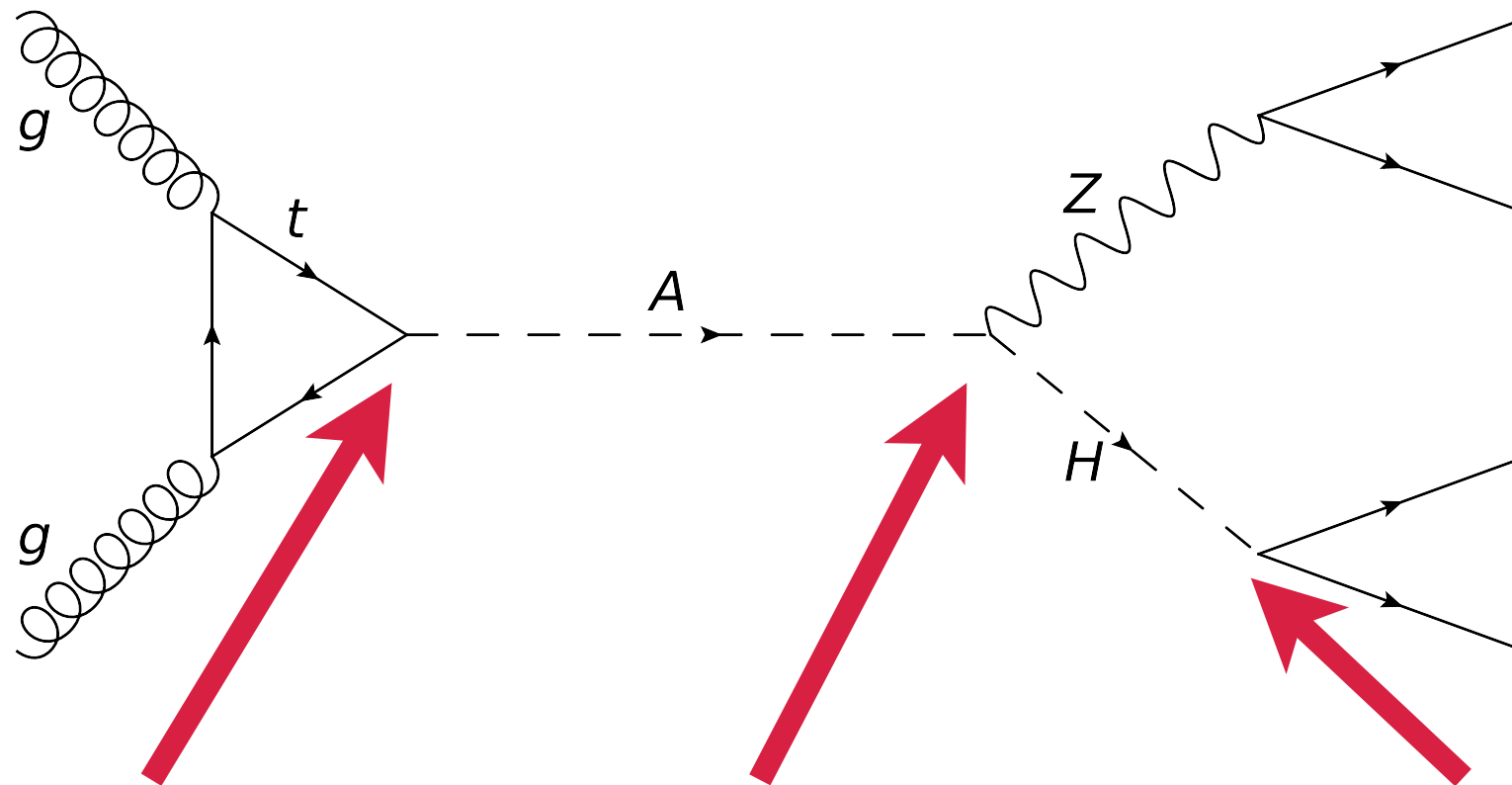
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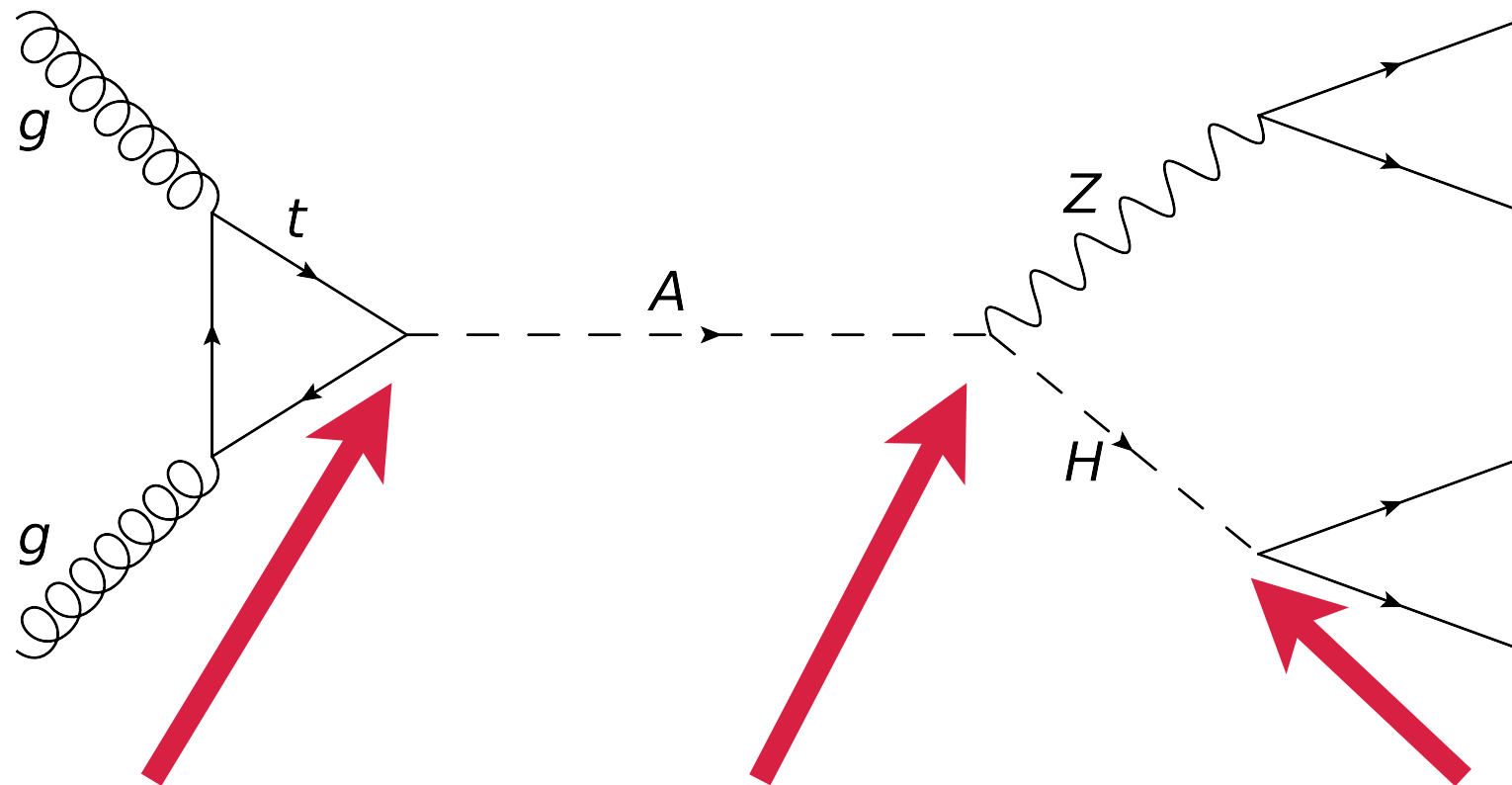
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This also applies to $H \rightarrow AZ$



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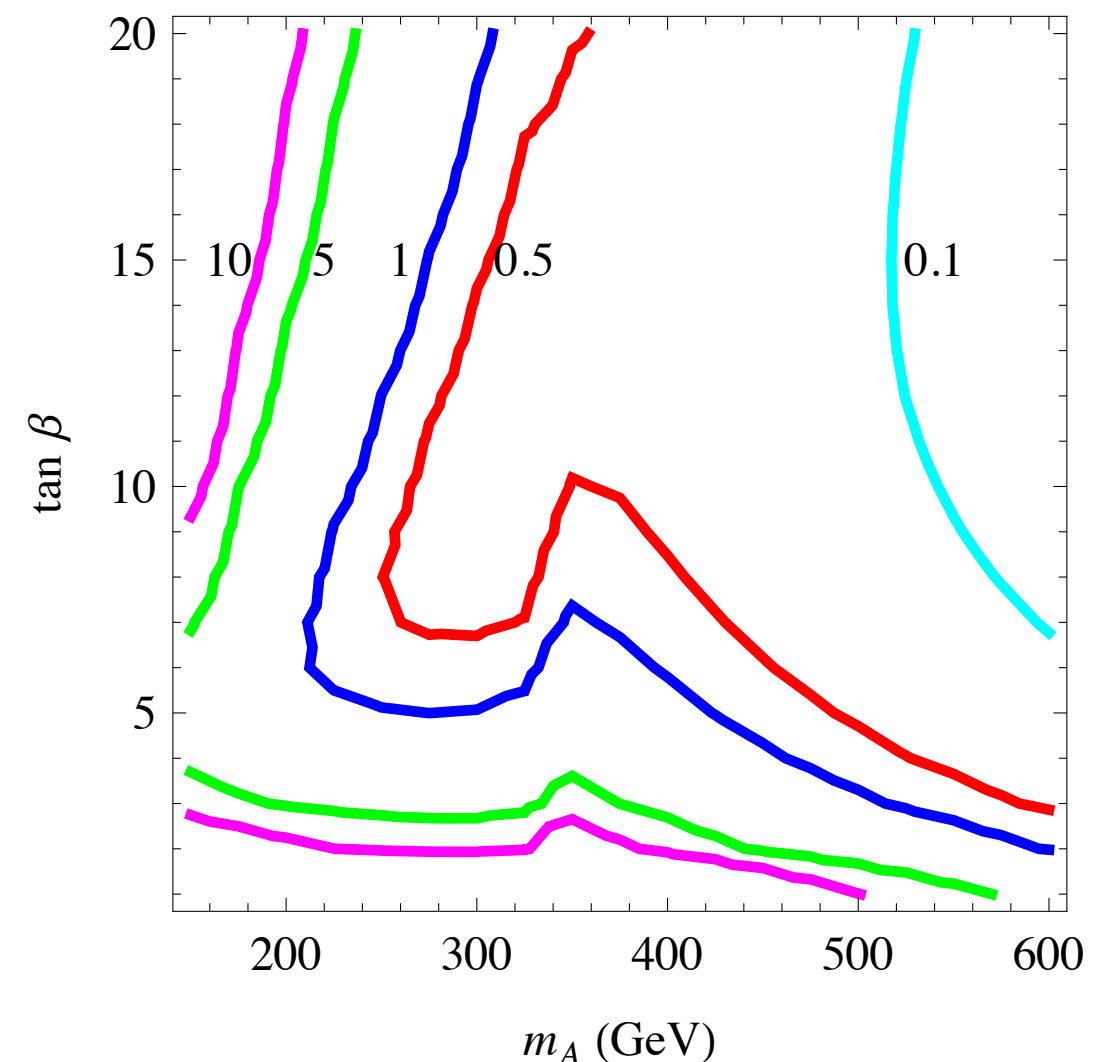
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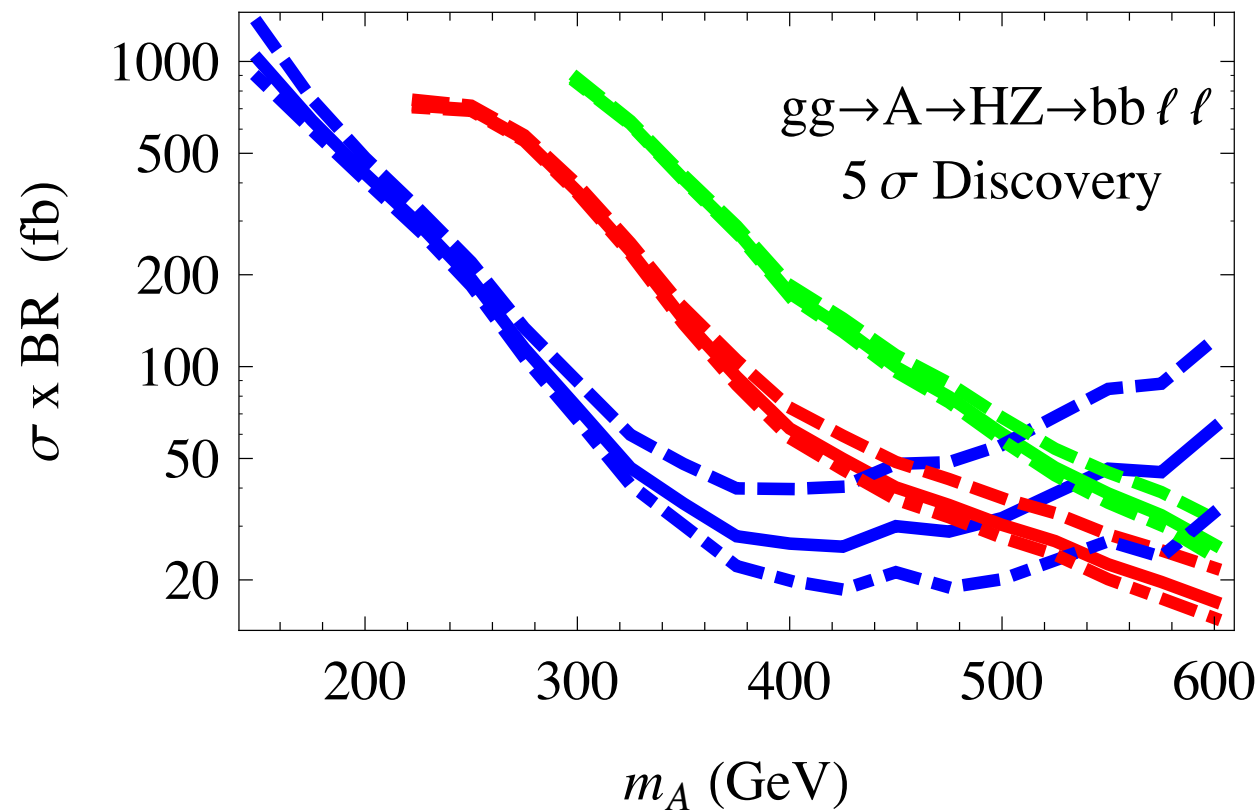
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perform analysis to extract signal

[arXiv:1404.1922]

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Obtain Limits for Exclusion/Discovery

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Compare!

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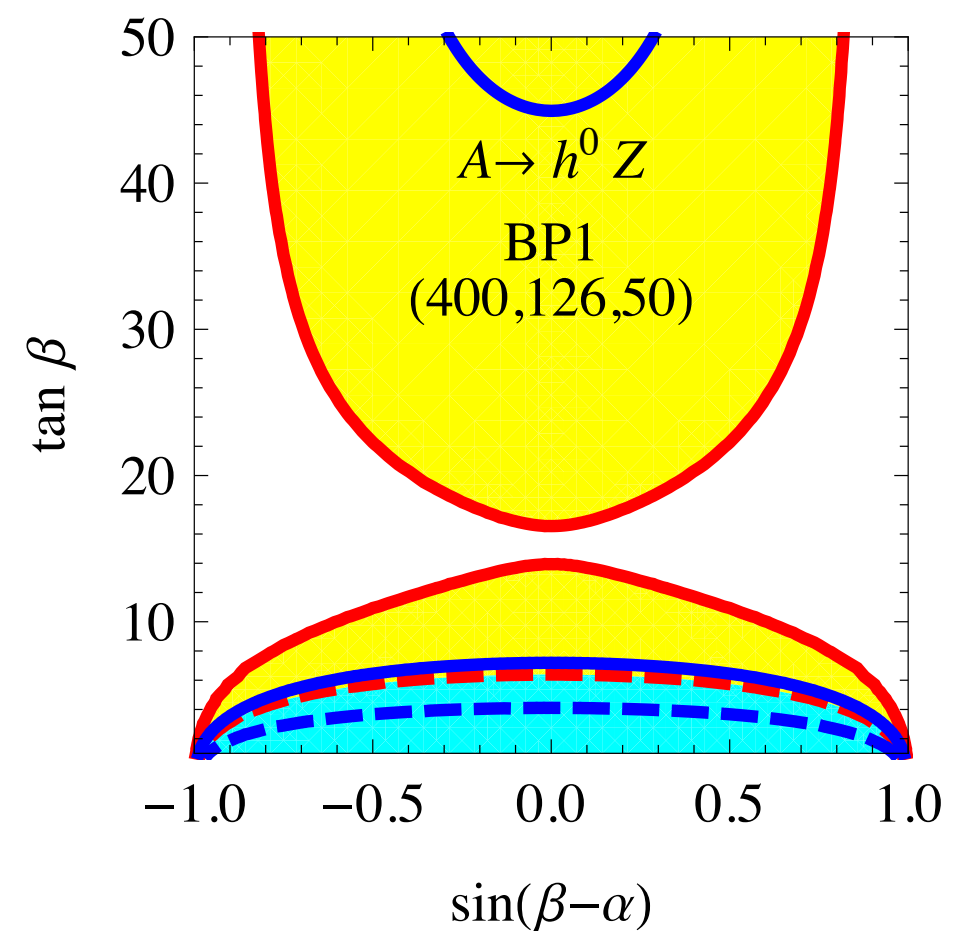
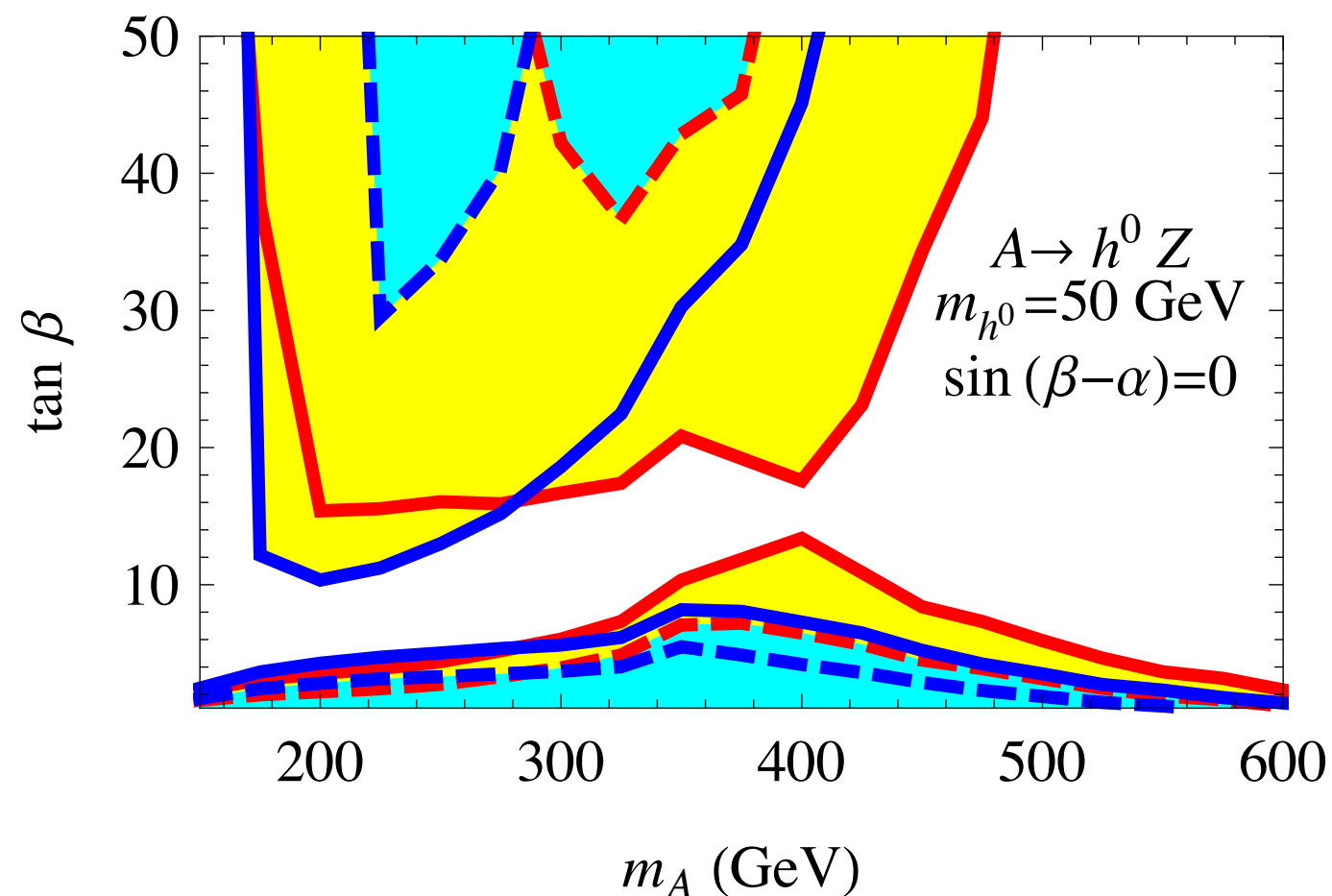
$H^0 - 126$ Scenario

$\sin(\beta - \alpha) = 0$ (SM like region)

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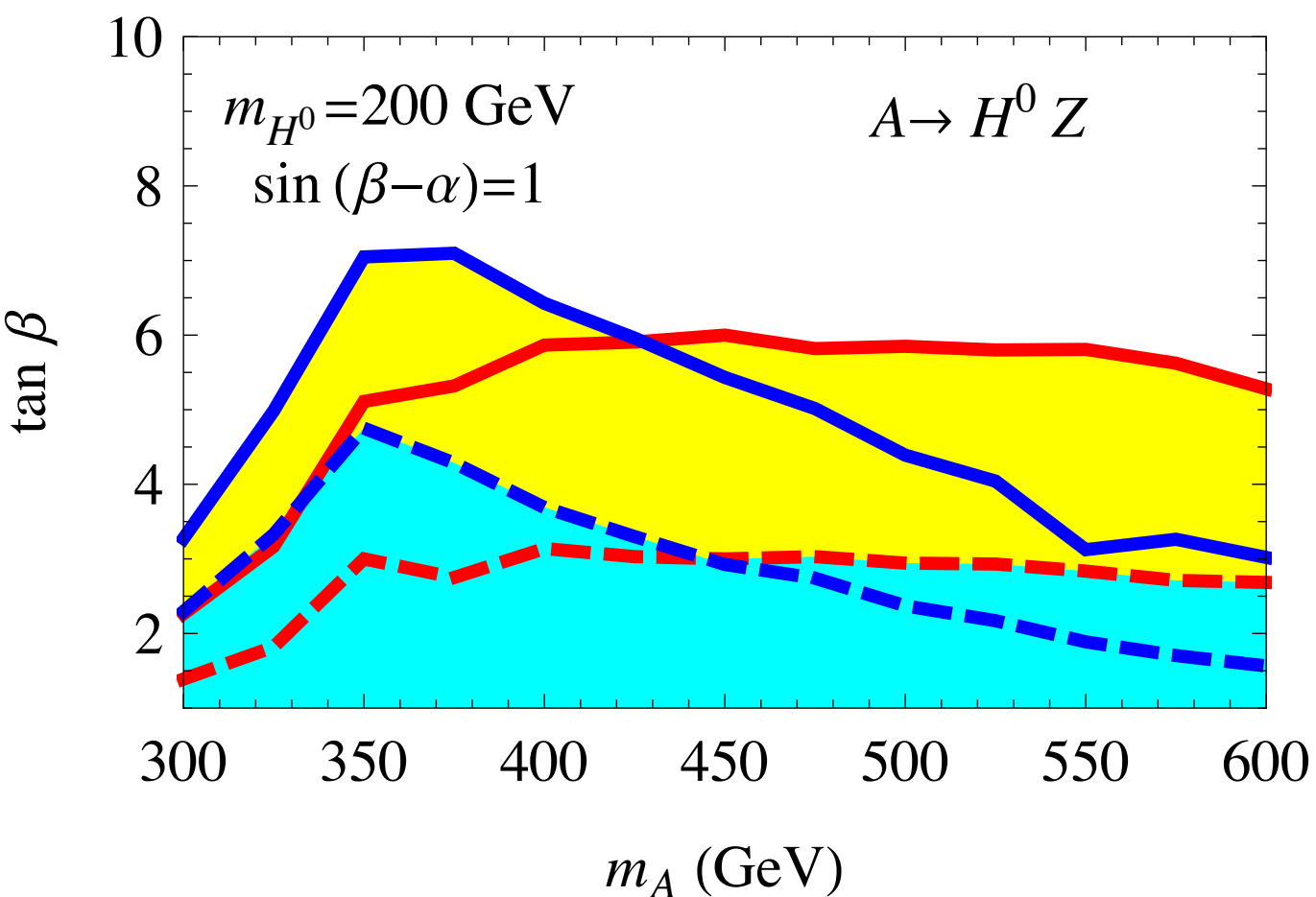
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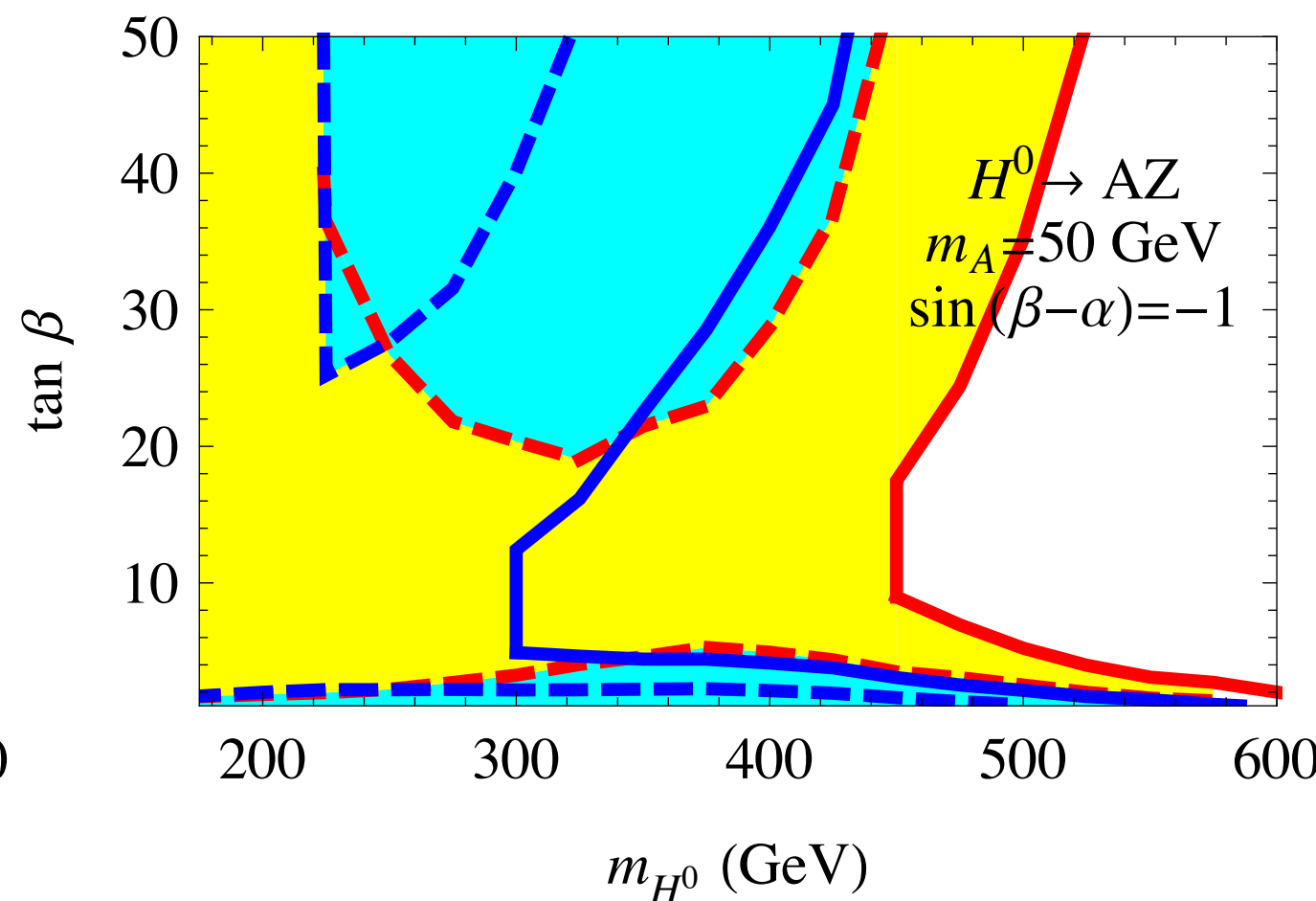
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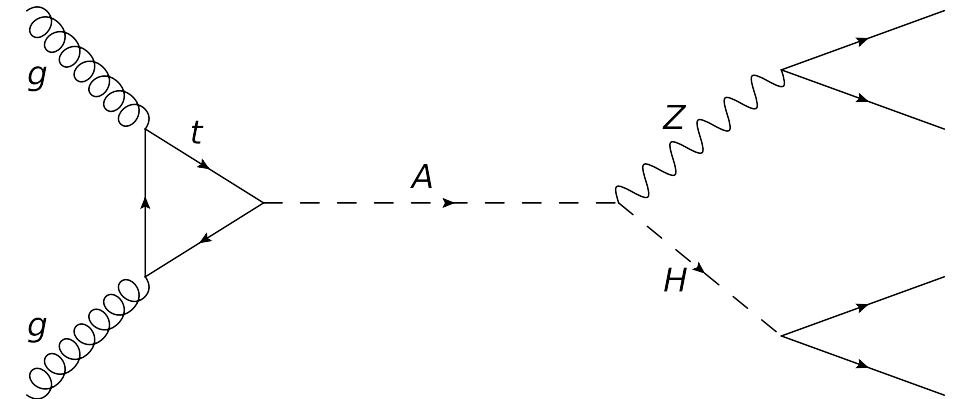
Conclusion

Physics beyond Standard Model:

- theoretically well motivated
- most models contain enlarged Higgs sector

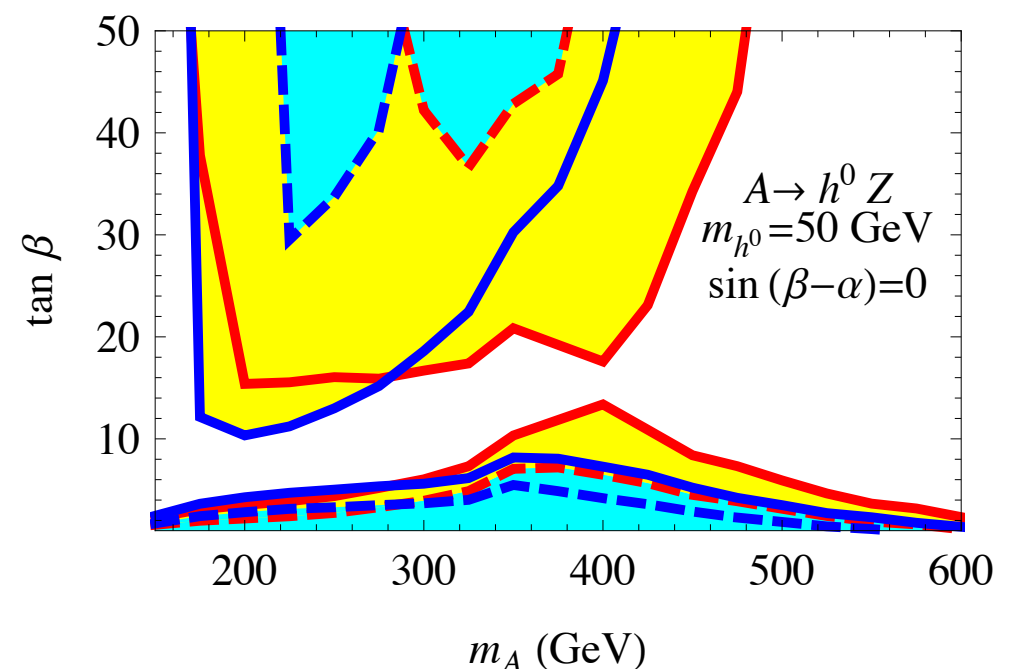
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- possible decay channel:
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- develop search strategy
- obtain model independent exclusion/discovery limits



Implication for Type II 2HDM:

- large part of parameter space can be discovered/ excluded

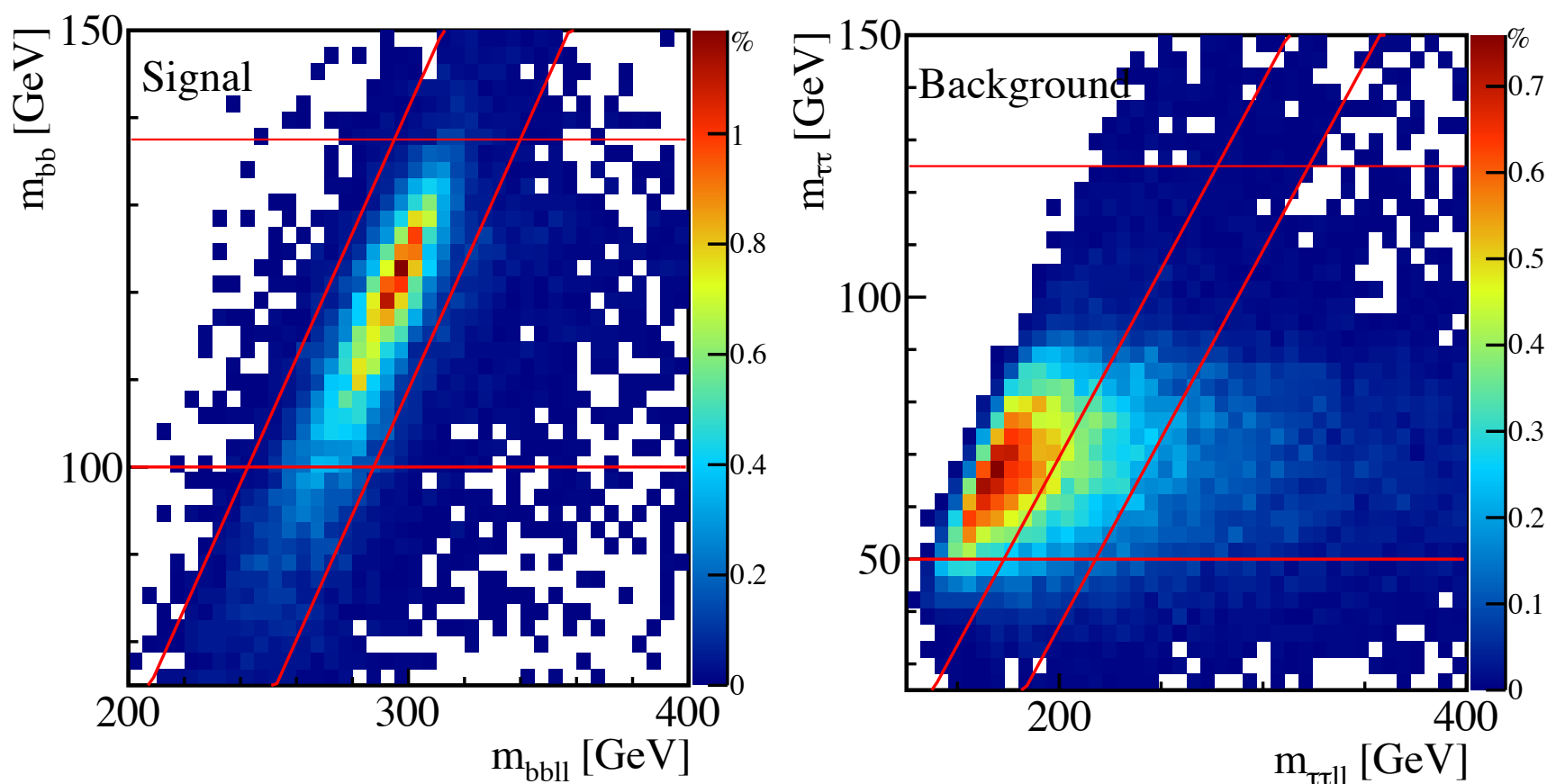


Search Strategy

Identification cuts: $n_b = 2, n_\ell = 2$

Dilepton mass: $80 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 100 \text{ GeV}$.

m_{bb} versus m_{bbll} :

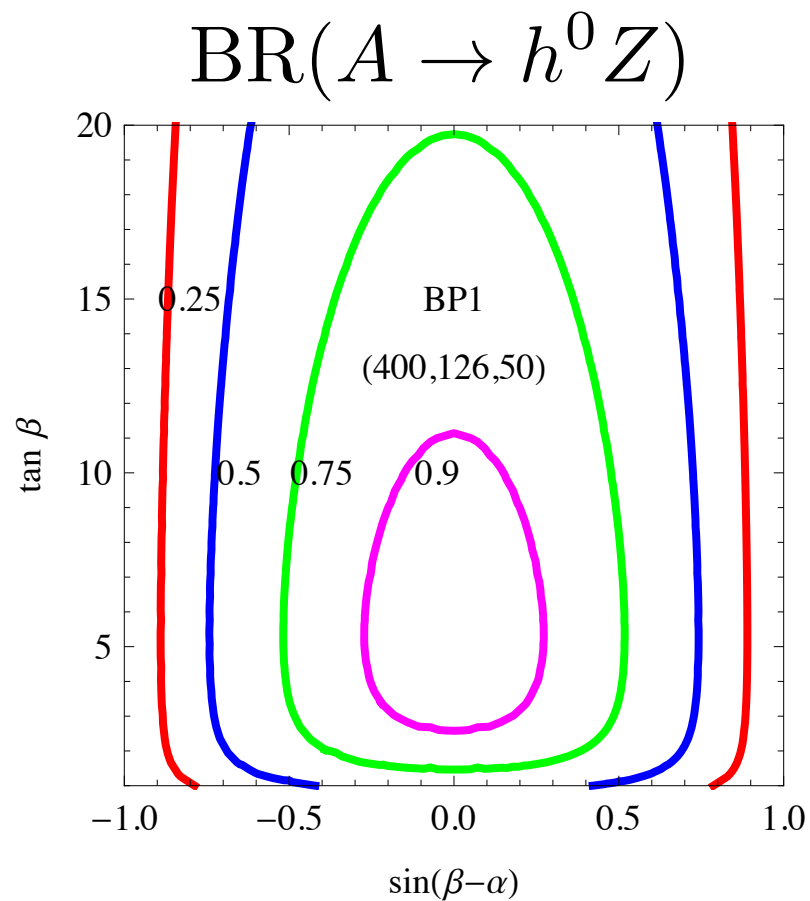


Transverse momentum cut:

$$\sum_{b \text{ jets}} p_T > 0.6 \times \frac{m_A^2 + m_H^2 - m_Z^2}{2m_A},$$

$$\sum_{\ell, b \text{ jets}} p_T > 0.66 \times m_A$$

Branching Ratio

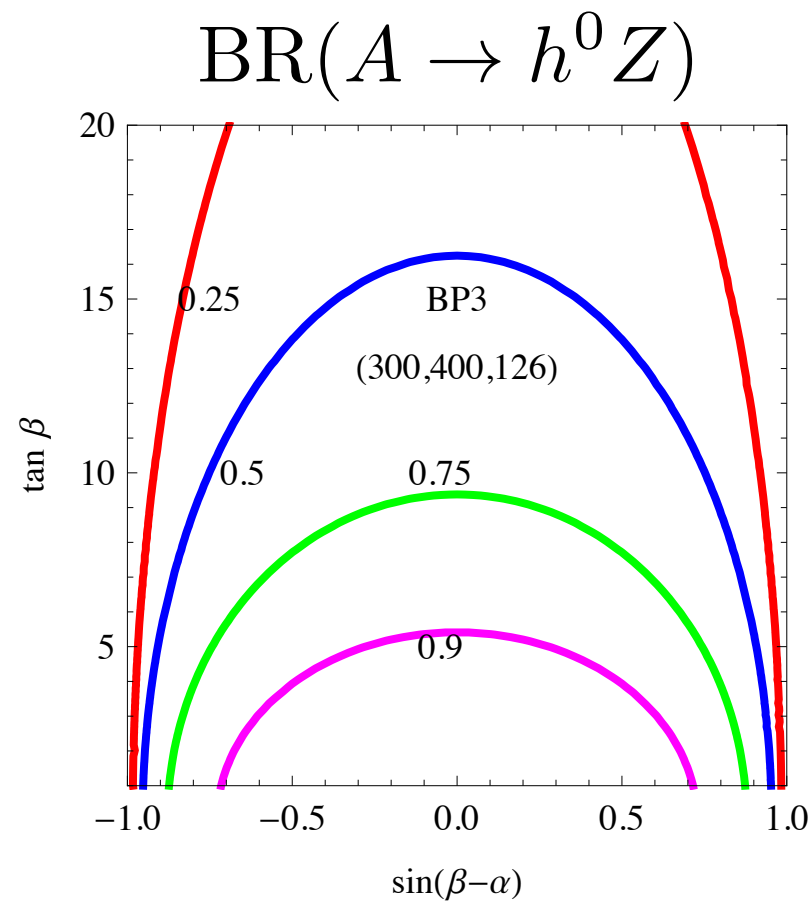


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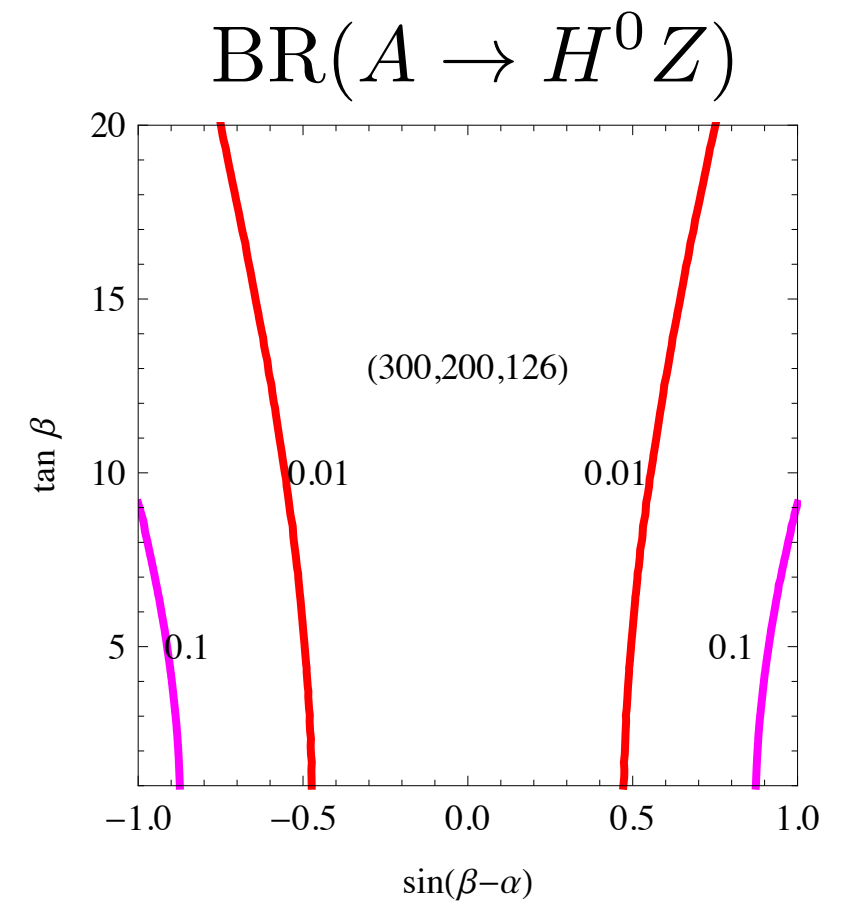


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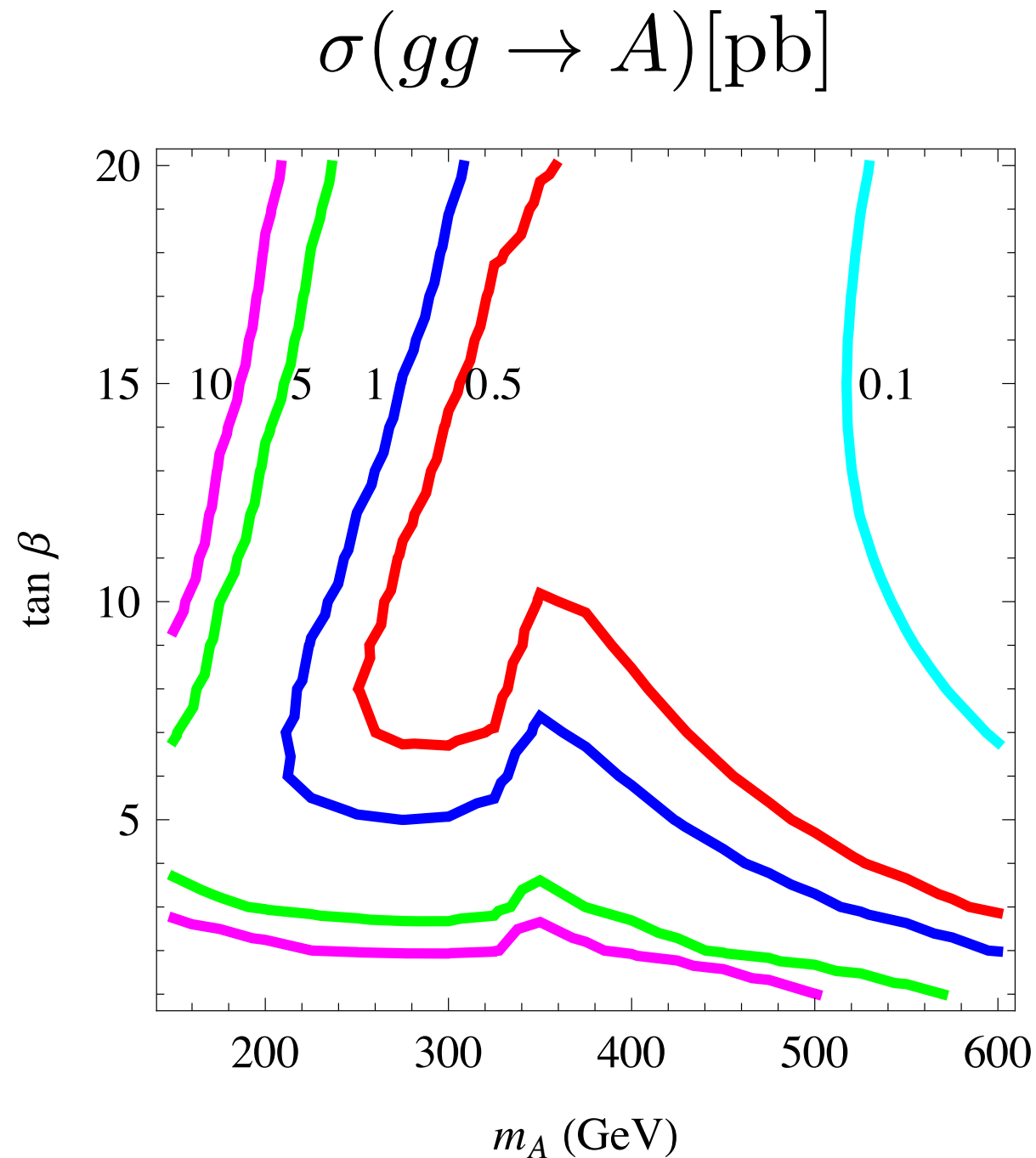
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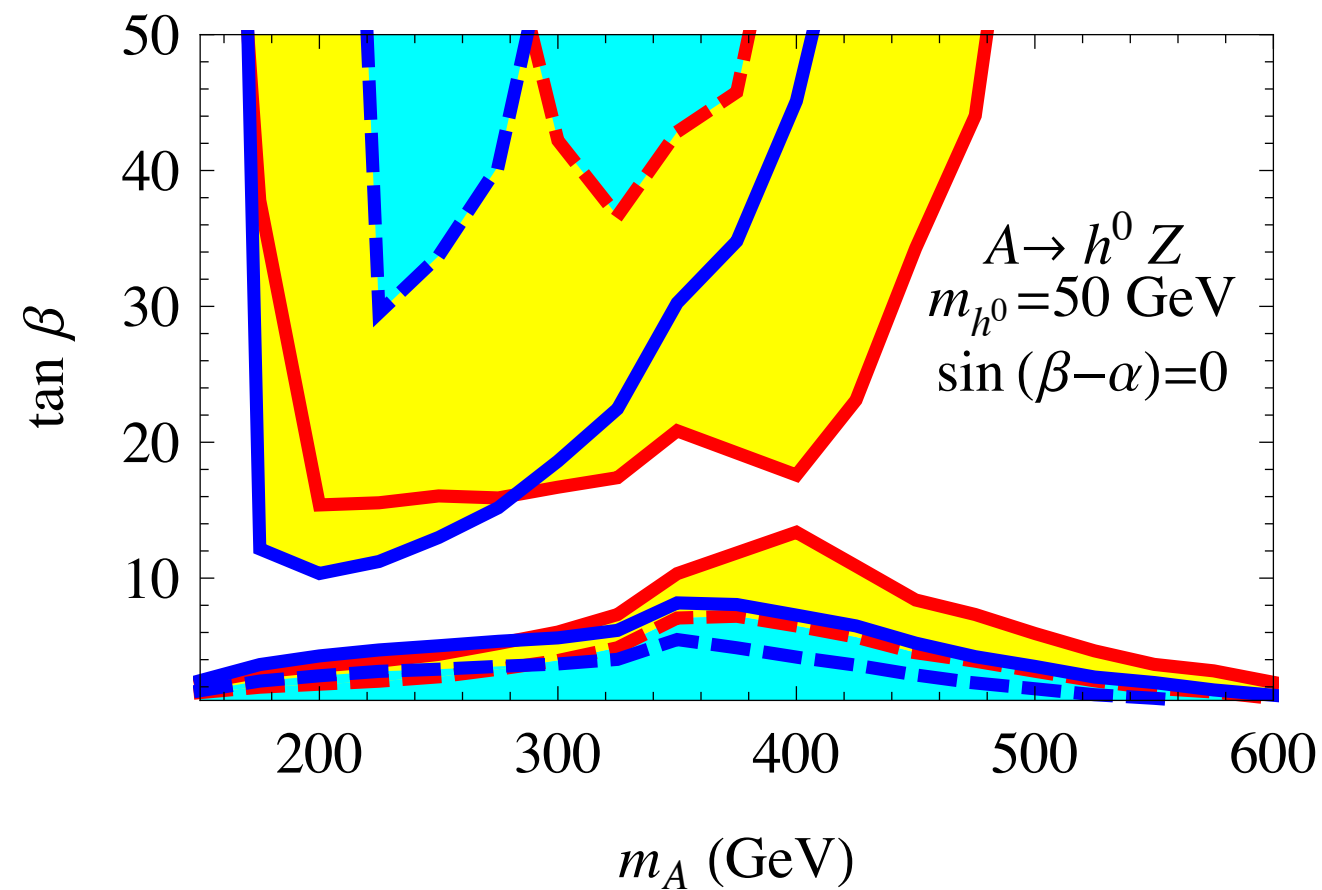


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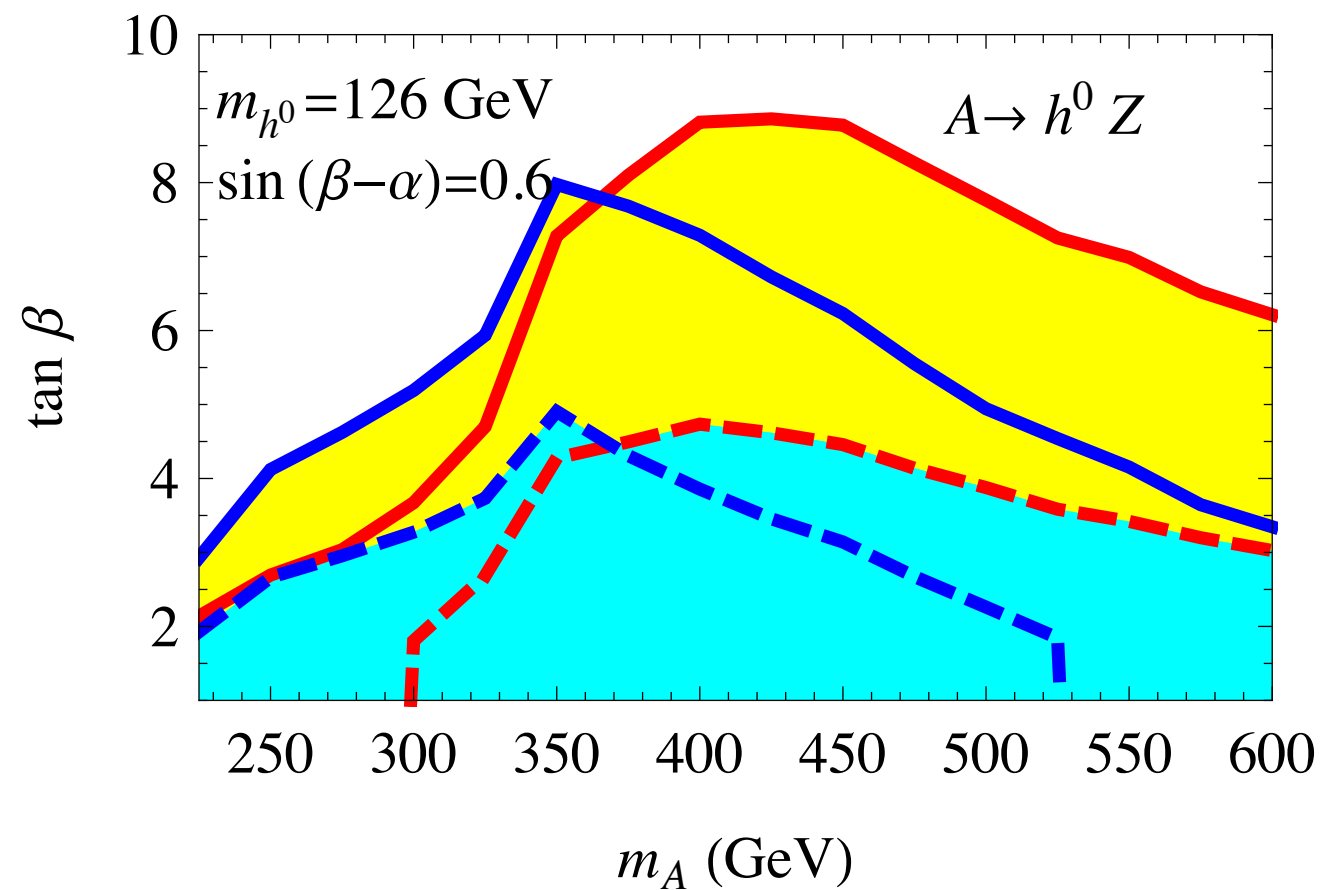
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