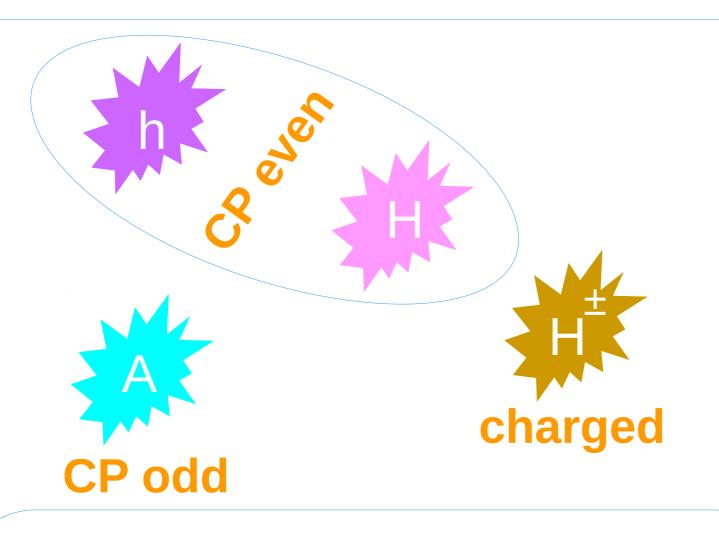
# Search for additional Higgs bosons produced in association with b quarks and decaying into two b quarks.

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### What are we looking for?

- High-mass Higgs bosons
- In models with two Higgs doublets: five physical Higgs bosons
  - This search: neutral states

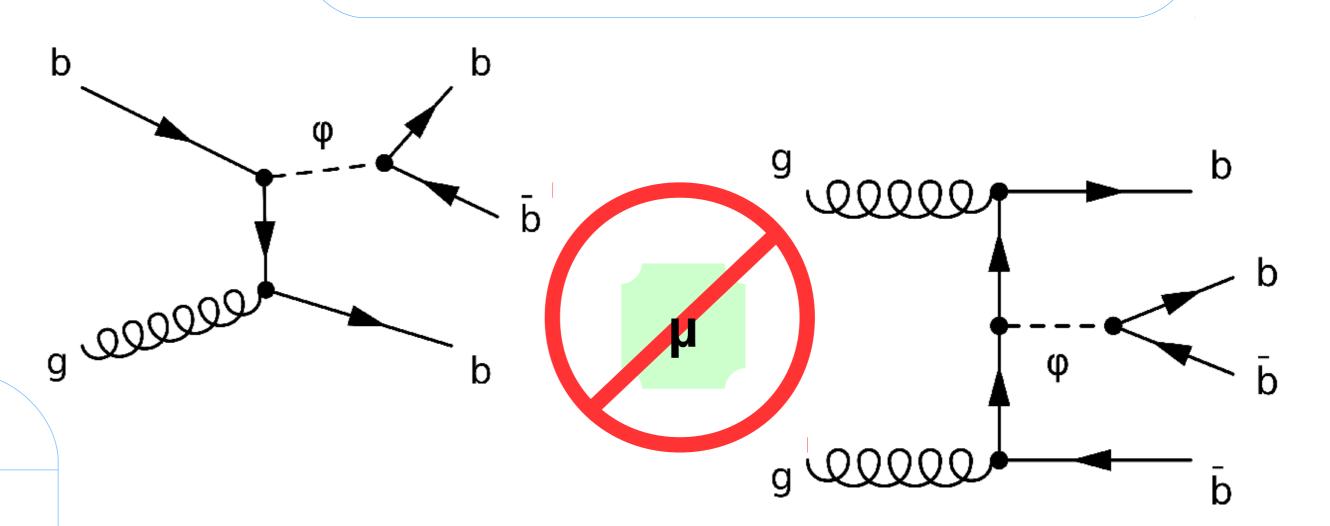


#### **Event selection**

- Dedicated trigger requiring two online b tags
- Reverse 3<sup>rd</sup> b tag: control region (CR)
- From 2017: 3 and 4 b tag categories
- From 2017: Semileptonic channel
- Basic p<sub>T</sub> cuts: 100/40 GeV (leading/subleading)

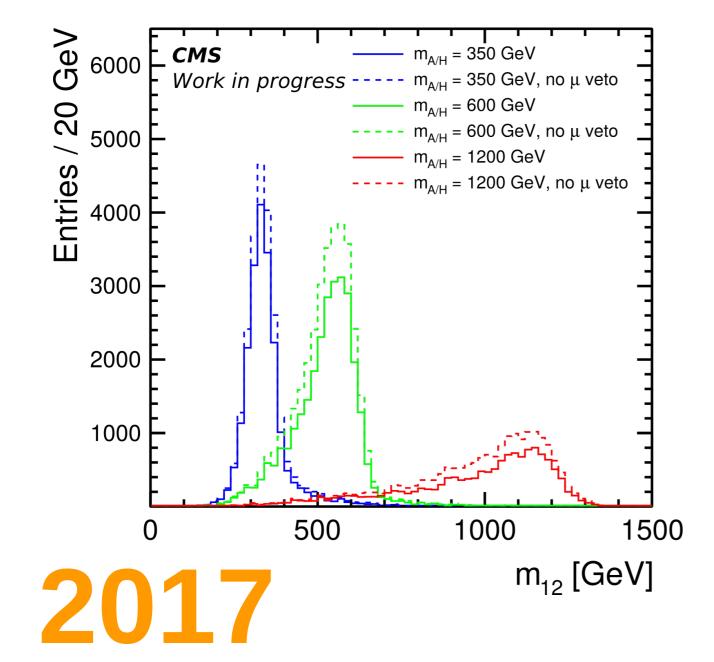
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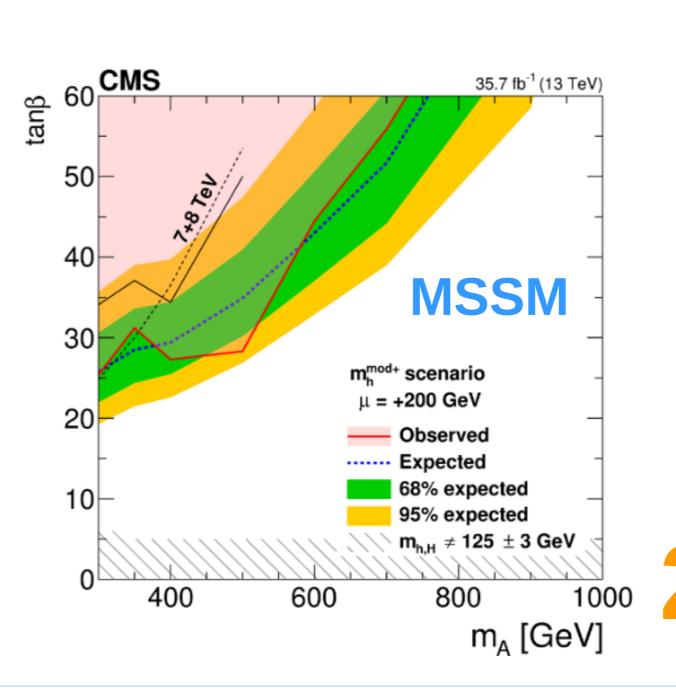
- A/H decaying to b quarks: dominant
- b associated production: enhanced in 2HDM and MSSM ~ tan² β
- Main background: QCD multijet events

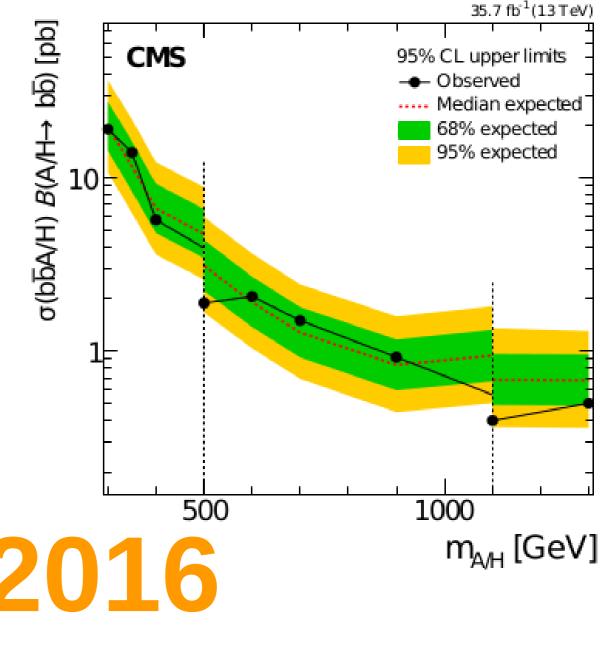


### Signal and Background model

- Background modeled using reverse b tag CR
- Novosibirsk-type functions + turn-on
- Subranges defined to reduce syst. uncertainties
- Signal mass range: 200 1600 GeV
- Using Gaussian and Bukin functions to model







# No place to hide anymore

- No signal observed → limits set
- Model independent limit on  $\sigma \times BR$ ; interpretation e.g. within MSSM

New techniques applied for 2017/18 targeting combination of full Run 2

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