

# Charged Higgs Studies

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## Outline

- Charged Higgs from top-quark decay in large extra dimensions
- Charged Higgs in the transition region:  
 $m_{H^\pm} \sim m_t$
- Prospects for  $H^\pm$  couplings determination

# $t \rightarrow bH^\pm (\rightarrow \tau\psi)$ in LED

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- In the SM,  $t \rightarrow Wb$  with  $\sim 100\%$  branching
- In supersymmetric models,

$$t \rightarrow W^\pm b$$

$$t \rightarrow H^\pm b$$

$$t \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{\chi}_i^0$$

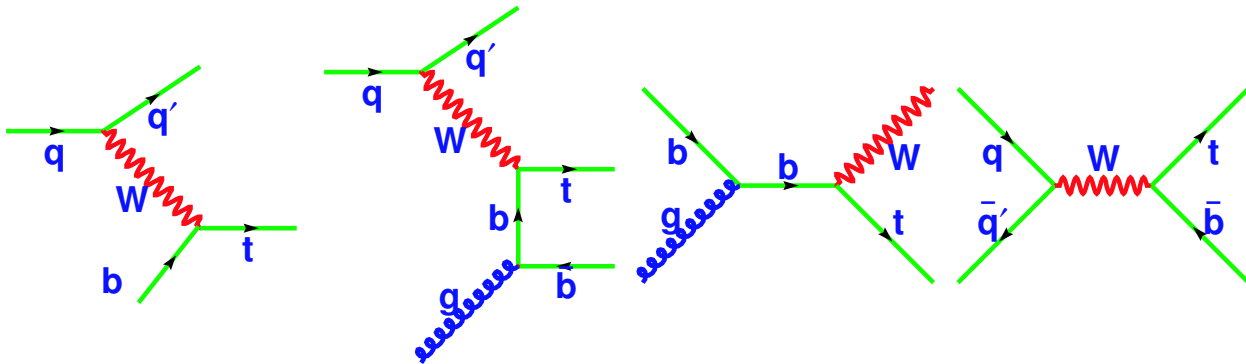
- In large extra dimensions,  $H^- \rightarrow \tau^- \psi$  can be enhanced due the large number of KK modes of the bulk neutrino  $\psi$
- In models with FCNC or LFV at tree level (for instance 2HDM-III):  $t \rightarrow c\gamma$ ,  $t \rightarrow cZ$ ,  $t \rightarrow ch$

$\Rightarrow$  A model independent measurement of  $\Gamma_t$  may signal new physics

$\Rightarrow$  measurements of  $BR(t \rightarrow Wb)$ ,  $V_{tb}$  and  $\Gamma_t$  are of prime importance.

## The Case of the SM

$\Gamma(t \rightarrow Wb)$  can be extracted from single top quark production



$$\sigma_{Wg} \text{ and } \sigma_{W*} \propto \Gamma(t \rightarrow Wb)$$

By measuring  $BR(t \rightarrow Wb)$  in  $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ ,

$$\Gamma_t = \frac{\Gamma(t \rightarrow Wb)}{BR(t \rightarrow Wb)}$$

$BR(t \rightarrow Wb)$  measured in  $t\bar{t}$  events using ratios of BRs:

- lepton+jets sample: ratio of single to double b-tags:  $\frac{BR(t \rightarrow Wb)}{BR(t \rightarrow Wq)}$
- Ratio of single to di-lepton events:  $\frac{BR(t \rightarrow Wq)}{BR(t \rightarrow non-W + X)}$

## The Case of the 2HDM-I, II

- If kinematically allowed,  $t \rightarrow bH^+$  would compete with  $t \rightarrow bW^+$
- $\Gamma(t \rightarrow bW^+)$  is unchanged  $\Rightarrow$   $W$ -gluon fusion process is not modified
- $\Rightarrow$  One can extract  $\Gamma_t$  in the same way as in the SM case, i.e., getting  $\Gamma(t \rightarrow Wb)$  from the measured cross section and  $BR(t \rightarrow Wb)$  from  $t\bar{t}$  events
- Excess of  $\tau$  leptons from  $H^\pm \rightarrow \tau^\pm \nu_\tau \Rightarrow$  violation of lepton universality in the top quark sector.

## The Case of Large Extra Dimensions

- Assume no additional Higgs bosons other than those of 2HDM-I or II
- $H^\pm$  production mechanisms:
  - $m_{H^\pm} > m_t$ :  $gb \rightarrow tH^\pm$  and  $gg \rightarrow tbH^\pm$
  - $m_{H^\pm} \sim m_t$ :  $gg \rightarrow tbH^\pm$
  - $m_{H^\pm} < m_t$ :  $t \rightarrow bH^\pm$

- In 2HDM-II,

$$H^- \rightarrow \tau_R^- \bar{\nu},$$

$H^-$  to  $\tau_L^-$  suppressed

- In Large Extra Dimensions,  $H^- \rightarrow \tau_L^- \psi$  can be enhanced by large number of KK states. Thus,

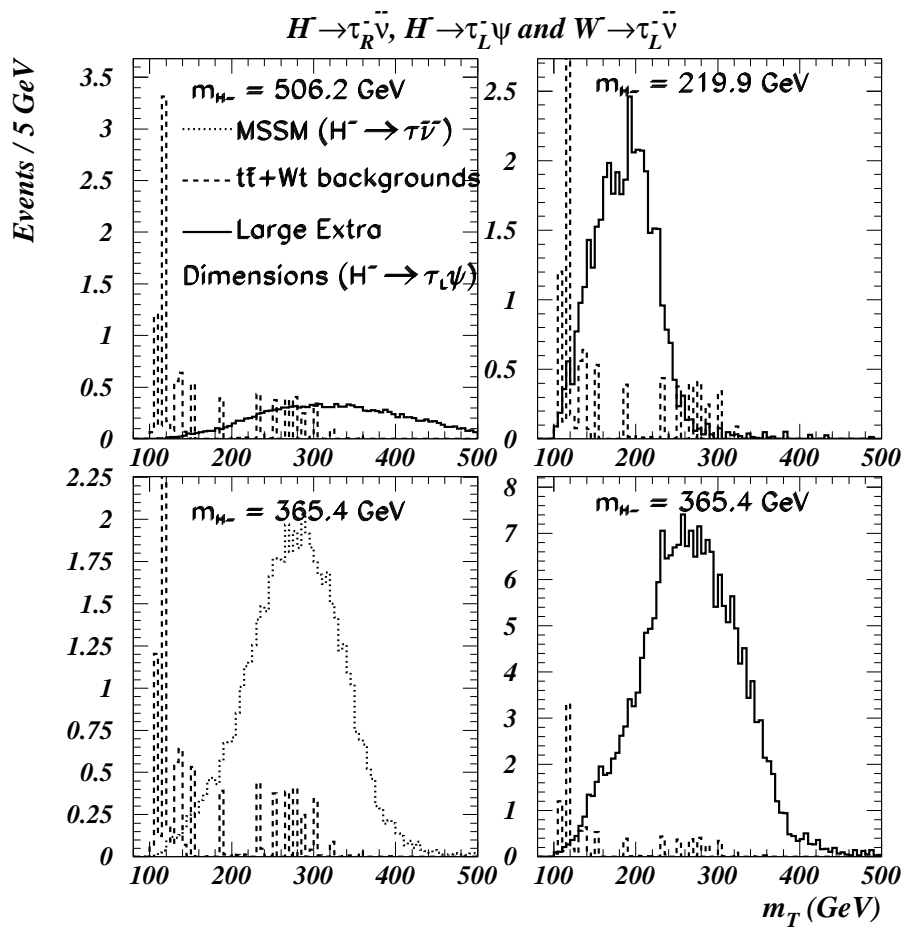
$$H^- \rightarrow \tau_R^- \bar{\nu} + \tau_L^- \psi$$

with an asymmetry depending on the parameters  $M_*$ ,  $\delta_\nu$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $m_D$ ,  $\tan \beta$  and  $m_{H^\pm}$ .

$$H^- \rightarrow \tau_L^- \psi + c.c.$$

$m_{H^\pm} > m_t$   $H^- \rightarrow \tau_L^- \psi$  at the LHC: Assamagan & Deandrea, Phys. Rev. D65 076006 (2002)

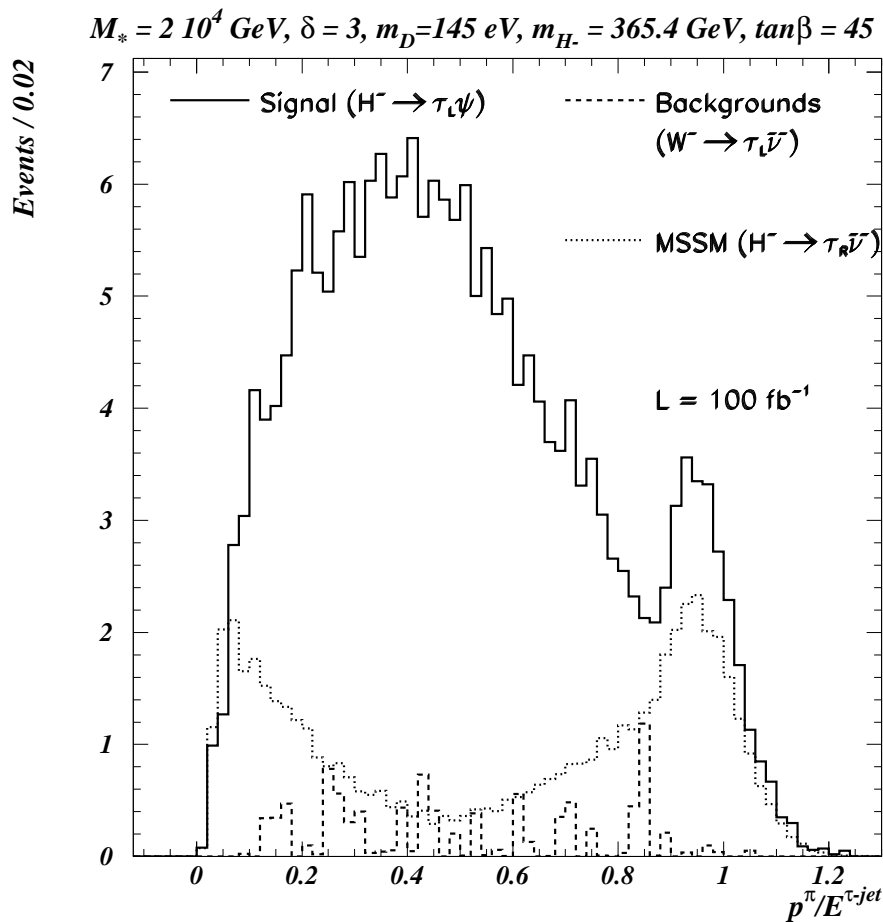
$$m_T = \sqrt{2p_T^\tau p_T^\psi [1 - \cos(\Delta\phi)]}$$



$\Rightarrow$  Observation of signal in  $m_T$  distribution is not sufficient to distinguish between 2HDM (MSSM) and L.E.D.

$$H^- \rightarrow \tau_L^- \psi + c.c.$$

Additionally, reconstruct the fraction of energy carried by the charged track in 1-prong  $\tau$  decays



$\Rightarrow$  The reconstruction of  $m_T$  and of  $p^\pi / E^{\tau\text{-jet}}$  should determine the scenario: 2HDM (MSSM) or L.E.D.

Further measurement of the asymmetry may provide a distinctive signature for L.E.D.



## The Case of Large Extra Dimensions

$$m_{H^\pm} < m_t$$

- Enhancement of  $H^- \rightarrow \tau_L^- \psi$  due to KK modes
- $H^- \rightarrow \tau_R^- \bar{\nu} + \tau_L^- \psi$
- Effectively, this means one additional decay mode of the top quark:

$$\bar{t} \rightarrow \bar{b} \tau_L \psi$$

mediated by the  $H^\pm$

$$\Gamma(t \rightarrow b W^+) \approx \frac{G_F m_t^3}{8\pi\sqrt{2}} |V_{tb}|^2 (1 - x_W^2)(1 + x_W^2 - 2x_W^4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(\bar{t} \rightarrow \bar{b} \tau_L \psi) &\sim \frac{\sqrt{2} G_F m_t^3}{192\pi^3} \cot^4 \beta \left(\frac{m}{v}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_t}{m_{H^\pm}}\right)^4 \\ &\times \left(\frac{m_t}{M_*}\right)^\delta \left(\frac{M_{Pl}}{M_*}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

## The Case of Large Extra Dimensions

$$m_{H^\pm} < m_t$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\bar{t} \rightarrow \bar{b}\tau_L\psi)}{\Gamma(t \rightarrow b\tau^+\nu)} \sim \frac{9\sqrt{2}}{0.624\pi^2} \cot^4 \beta \left(\frac{m}{v}\right)^2 \times \left(\frac{m_t}{m_{H^\pm}}\right)^4 \left(\frac{m_t}{M_*}\right)^\delta \left(\frac{M_{Pl}}{M_*}\right)^2$$

Example:

$m^2 \sim 10^{-2} \text{ (eV)}^2$ ,  $\tan \beta \sim 2$ ,  $M_* \sim 2 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $\delta = 3$   
and  $m_{H^\pm} \sim 200 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow$  an enhancement of 100%!

- If  $m_{\nu_e} \sim m_{\nu_\mu} \sim m_{\nu_\tau}$ , then similar enhancement in  $t \rightarrow be^+\nu_e$  and  $t \rightarrow b\mu^+\nu_\mu$  otherwise these 2 would be unaffected  $\Rightarrow$  violation of lepton universality.
- Measuring top BRs and  $\Gamma_t$  to  $\sim 10\%$  may allow to see this effect!
- Measuring  $\Gamma_t$ : same technique as in the 2HDM without large extra dimensions and as in the SM case because  $\Gamma(t \rightarrow W^+b)$  remains unaffected here too.

## The Case of FCNC and LFV

As an example, we take the 2HDM-III where no discrete symmetry suppresses FCNC nor LFV processes at tree level

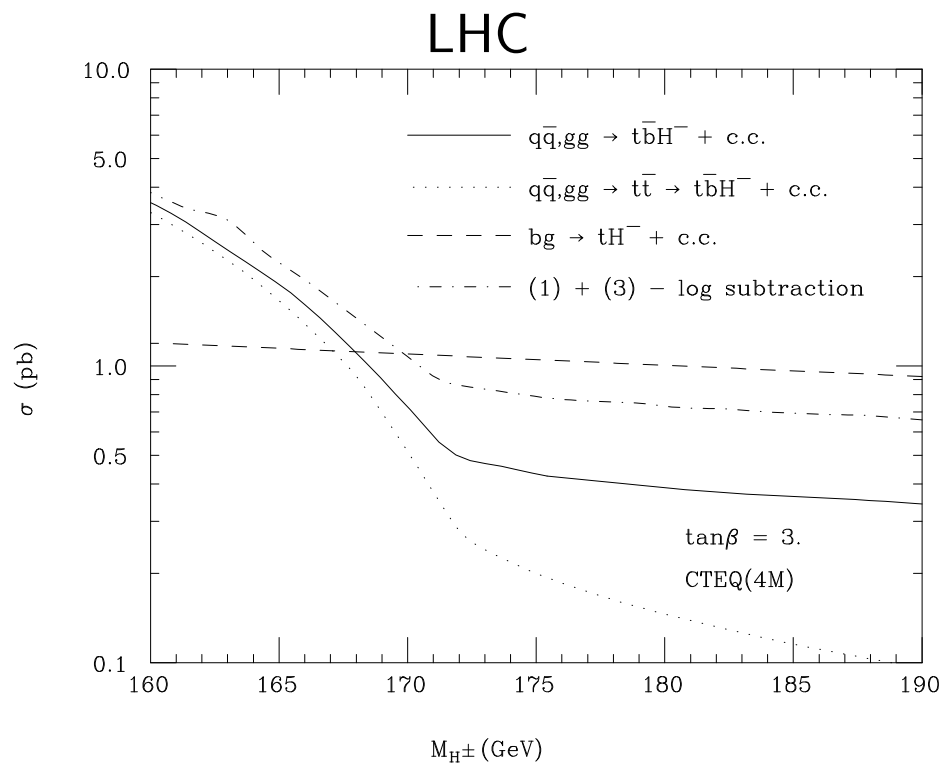
- $t \rightarrow ch$  ( $h = h^0, H^0, A^0$ )
- $t \rightarrow cg, t \rightarrow c\gamma, t \rightarrow cZ$
- This list of FCNC and LFV processes of the top quark is not exhaustive!
- the  $W$ -gluon fusion process may not be used any longer as a direct measure of  $\Gamma(t \rightarrow Wb)$  because of additional contributions such as a  $t$ -channel  $qq' \rightarrow ct$  mediated by a  $Z$
- The  $s$ -channel  $W^*$  may also be affected by  $s$ -channel  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{c}$ .
- The  $W - t - b$  vertex may be affected  $\Rightarrow$  all 3 modes of single top affected but  $BR(t \rightarrow W^+b) \approx SM$  value. Measuring  $\Gamma_t$  same as in SM.

## The Plan/Proposal

- Study the prospects for measuring  $\Gamma_t$  at the LHC:
  - (a)** Determine  $\Gamma(t \rightarrow W^+b)$  from the measured  $Wg$  and  $W^*b$  cross sections. The uncertainty in the cross section is the uncertainty in  $\Gamma(t \rightarrow W^+b)$
  - (b)** Determine  $BR(t \rightarrow W^+b)$  from ratios of  $BRs$  in  $t\bar{t}$  events
  - (c)** Determine  $\Gamma_t$  from **(a)** and **(b)**.
- The above method should be valid for the SM, the 2HDM-I and II and large extra dimensions assuming no FCNC and LFV

## $H^\pm$ in Transition Region

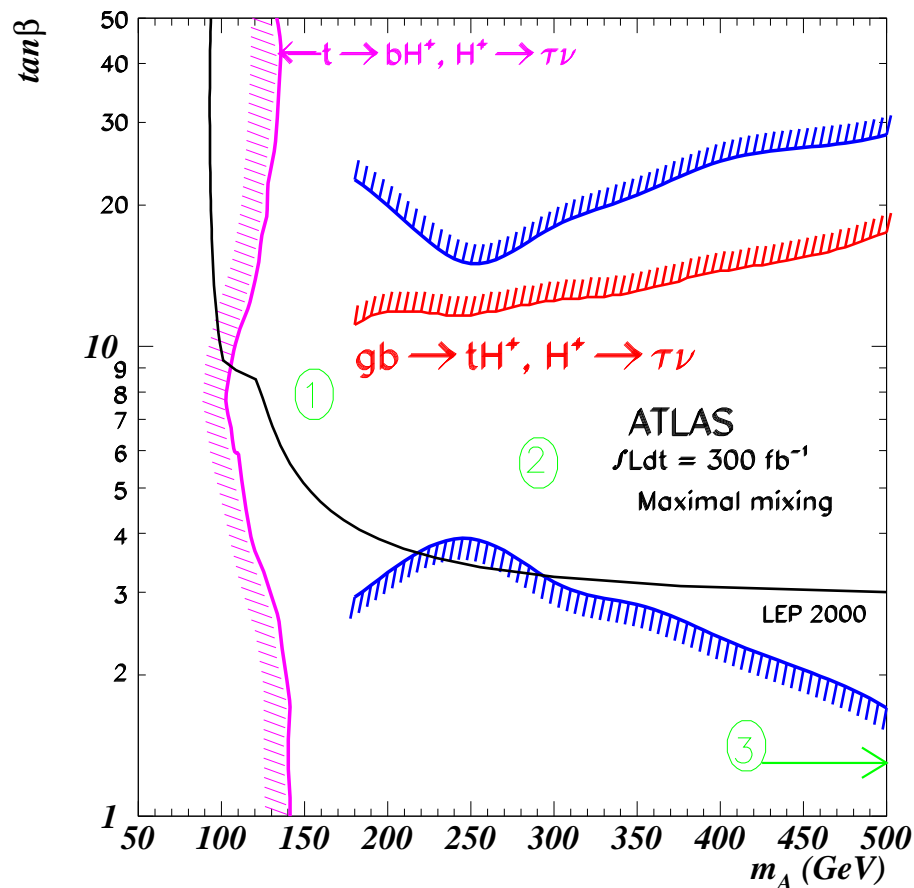
- For  $m_{H^\pm} < m_t$ :
  - $t \rightarrow bH^\pm$  where  $gg, qq \rightarrow t\bar{t}$
  - Narrow Width Approximation:  $gg, qq \rightarrow t\bar{t} \times t \rightarrow bH^\pm$
- For  $m_{H^\pm} \sim m_t$ : NWA does not work



- Use instead:  $gg \rightarrow tbH^\pm$  instead of  $gg, qq \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  with  $t \rightarrow bH^\pm$  ( $gb \rightarrow tH^\pm$ )
- $H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu$

## $H^\pm$ in Transition Region

Also to cover the area around  $m_A \sim 160$  GeV in the discovery contour



## Determination of Ratios of Couplings

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- $\Gamma(H/A \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)$ ,  $\Gamma(H/A \rightarrow b\bar{b})$ ,  
 $\Gamma(H^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau) \propto \tan^2 \beta$  ,  
 $\Gamma(H^+ \rightarrow t\bar{b}) \propto \tan^2 \beta (\tan \beta \gtrsim 10)$

- But large corrections:  $h_b^{eff} = \frac{m_b(Q)}{1 + \Delta m_b}$

$\Delta m_b$  is a non-decoupling quantity:

$$\Delta m_b \simeq -\alpha_s \frac{\mu m_{\tilde{g}}}{M_{\tilde{b}}^2} \tan \beta$$

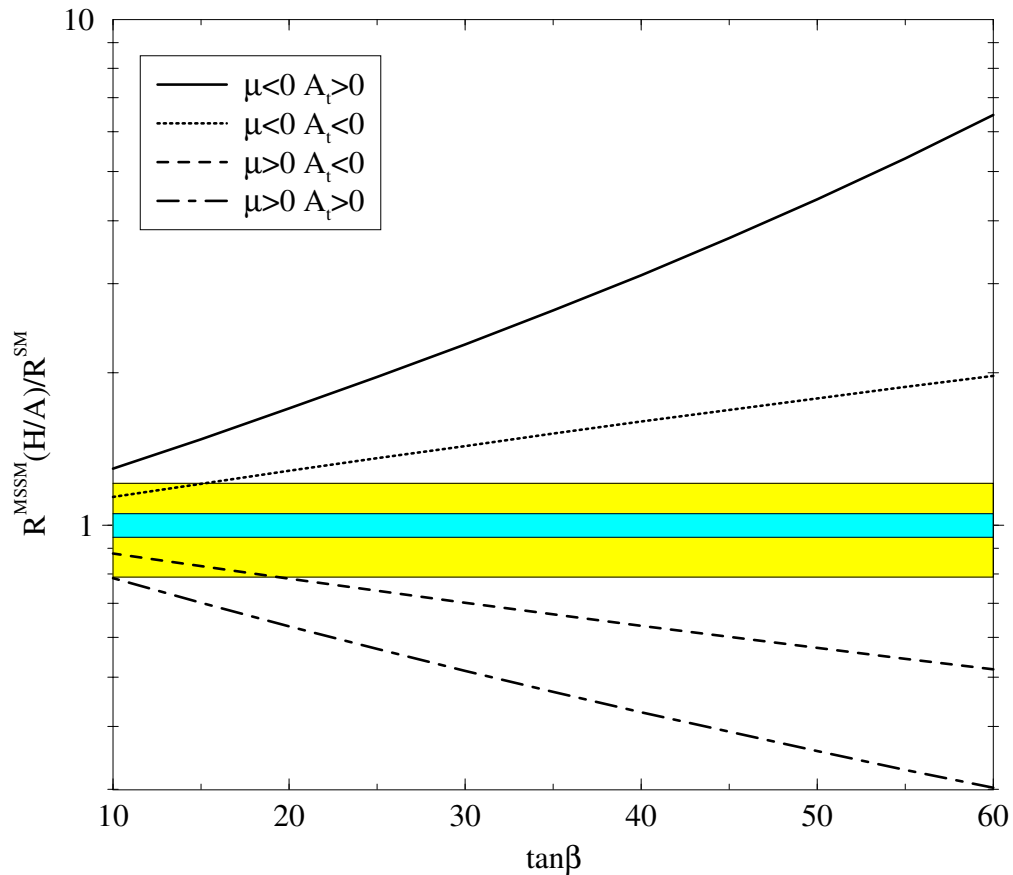
$\Rightarrow$  but different  $\Delta m_b, \Delta m_\tau$  corrections!

$$R = \frac{BR(H/A \rightarrow b\bar{b})}{BR(H/A \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)} = \frac{BR(H^+ \rightarrow t\bar{b})}{BR(H^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}$$

$$R^{tree} = R^{SM} = \frac{3m_b^2(Q)}{m_\tau^2} \simeq 8.02 (Q = 115 \text{ GeV})$$

$$\frac{R^{eff}}{R^{tree}} = \frac{\tan \beta_b^{eff}}{\tan \beta_\tau^{eff}}$$

## Determination of Ratios of Couplings



- Prospects of the Determination of  $R$  in the  $H^\pm$  sector by measuring the ratio of rates in  $\tau\nu$  and  $tb$  channels:
  - Determination of sign of  $\mu$
  - constraints on SUSY models



## Conclusions

- We propose to study the prospects for the determination of the top quark width at the LHC
- Such a measurement can be obtained from the measured single top production cross (in the  $W$ -gluon fusion and  $W^*$  channels) and from the measured  $BR(t \rightarrow Wb)$  in  $t\bar{t}$  events
- A measurement at the level of  $\sim 10\%$  would allow a test of the SM and other models including large extra dimensions with singlet neutrinos in the bulk (decay of the top-quark through a virtual charged Higgs)
- We also propose to study the discovery potential of  $H^\pm$  in the transition region using  $gg \rightarrow tbH^\pm$  with  $H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu$ :  $m_{H^\pm} \sim m_t$ .
- Using  $H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu$  and  $H^\pm \rightarrow tb$ , we will study the prospects for the determination of  $H^\pm$  couplings at large  $\tan\beta$ : to determine sign of  $\mu$  and to constrain SUSY models