

Probing the CP-even Higgs Sector of Natural NMSSM at LHC

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NMSSM scalar potential

Z_3 -invariant NMSSM superpotential:

$$W_{Higgs} = \lambda \hat{S} \hat{H}_u \hat{H}_d + \frac{\kappa}{3} \hat{S}^3$$

The minimum of the scalar potential:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{Higgs} = & (-\lambda v_u v_d + \kappa s^2)^2 + (\lambda s)^2 (v_u^2 + v_d^2) \\
 & + \frac{g_1^2 + g_2^2}{8} (v_u^2 - v_d^2)^2 \\
 & + m_S^2 s^2 + m_{H_u}^2 v_u^2 + m_{H_d}^2 v_d^2 - 2\lambda A_\lambda v_u v_d s + \frac{2}{3} \kappa A_\kappa s^3
 \end{aligned}$$

The minimisation equations

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where $\mu_{\text{eff}} = \lambda s$, $B_{\text{eff}} = A_\lambda + \kappa s$

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- All above parameters are defined at electroweak scale.
- Fine-tuning is the sensitivity of m_Z to variations in the fundamental parameters.

$$F_i = \left| \frac{\partial \ln m_Z}{\partial \ln p_i} \right| \quad [\text{J. R. Ellis, et. al. (1986), R. Barbieri, et. al. (1988)}]$$

- If we build our models at GUT scale, like mSUGRA, we can get electroweak scale parameters by running RGE.
- Every parameter in the equations can be expressed as a polynomial in initial parameters.

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 $\kappa = 0.30$, $\tan\beta = 2.5$ at $Q_{SUSY} = 1$ TeV as a benchmark point, then:

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Stop sector at SUSY scale:

$$A_t \simeq 0.19\bar{A}_t - 0.06\bar{A}_\lambda - 1.83M_{1/2},$$

$$m_{\tilde{U}c}^2 \simeq 0.61\bar{m}_{\tilde{U}c}^2 - 0.26\bar{m}_{\tilde{Q}}^2 - 0.04\bar{A}_t^2 + 0.14\bar{A}_t M_{1/2} + 3.04M_{1/2}^2 - 0.20\bar{m}_{H_u}^2 + 0.03\bar{m}_S^2,$$

$$m_{\tilde{Q}}^2 \simeq 0.84\bar{m}_{\tilde{Q}}^2 - 0.13\bar{m}_{\tilde{U}c}^2 - 0.02\bar{A}_t^2 + 0.07\bar{A}_t M_{1/2} + 4.33M_{1/2}^2 - 0.13\bar{m}_{H_u}^2 + 0.02\bar{m}_S^2.$$

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125 GeV SM-like Higgs

A 125 GeV Higgs boson is a little heavy for SUSY. There are three ways in NMSSM that can lift the SM-like Higgs boson mass:

- A small $\tan\beta$ and large λ are needed to maximise the tree level Higgs mass. But $\lambda \lesssim 0.7$ to avoid Landau pole at GUT scale.
- The SM-like Higgs gets radiative correction from \tilde{t} :

$$\frac{3m_t^4(Q)}{4\pi^2 v^2} \left[\log \frac{m_{\tilde{t}}^2}{m_t^2(Q)} + \frac{X_t^2}{m_{\tilde{t}}^2} \left(1 - \frac{X_t^2}{12m_{\tilde{t}}^2} \right) \right]$$

So heavy \tilde{t} is needed. **Conflict with naturalness!**

- If the singlet is the lightest scalar, its mixing with doublet Higgs will lift the SM-like Higgs mass.

The Higgs basis (Goldstone basis) [D.J. Miller et. al.(2003)]

It is convenient to work in (S_1, S_2, S_3) basis:

$$H_u^0 = v_u + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(S_1 \cos \beta + S_2 \sin \beta) + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}(P_1 \cos \beta + G^0 \sin \beta),$$

$$H_d^0 = v_d + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-S_1 \sin \beta + S_2 \cos \beta) + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}(P_1 \sin \beta - G^0 \cos \beta),$$

$$S = v_s + \frac{S_3 + iP_2}{\sqrt{2}},$$

Higgs mass matrix

$$(M_S^2)_{11} = M_A^2 + (m_Z^2 - \lambda^2 v^2) \sin^2 2\beta,$$

$$(M_S^2)_{12} = -\frac{1}{2}(m_Z^2 - \lambda^2 v^2) \sin 4\beta,$$

$$(M_S^2)_{13} = -(M_A^2 \sin 2\beta + 2\lambda\kappa v_s^2) \cos 2\beta \frac{v}{v_s},$$

$$(M_S^2)_{22} = m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta + \lambda^2 v^2 \sin^2 2\beta, \rightarrow \text{SM like Higgs}$$

$$(M_S^2)_{23} = \frac{1}{2}(4\lambda^2 v_s^2 - M_A^2 \sin^2 2\beta - 2\lambda\kappa v_s^2 \sin 2\beta) \frac{v}{v_s},$$

$$(M_S^2)_{33} = \frac{1}{4} M_A^2 \sin^2 2\beta \left(\frac{v}{v_s} \right)^2 + 4\kappa^2 v_s^2 + \kappa A_\kappa v_s - \frac{1}{2} \lambda \kappa v^2 \sin 2\beta.$$

\rightarrow *singlet component*

where $M_A^2 = \frac{\lambda v_s}{\sin 2\beta} (\sqrt{2} A_\lambda + \kappa v_s)$

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- $C_{H_1 H_2 H_3} \sim -\frac{\lambda A_\lambda}{\sqrt{2}}$
- $C_{H_3 g g} \propto \cot\beta \times S_1$ component of H_3

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Scanning in NMSSM

We scan the parameters in the natural NMSSM framework:

- $\mu : [100, 200]$ GeV, $\lambda : [0.6, 0.7]$, $\tan\beta : [1.3, 3.0]$
- Fix $m_{\tilde{Q}_3} = m_{\tilde{U}_3} = 500$ GeV and $A_t = -1000$ GeV
- H_2 is the SM-like Higgs in $[125, 127]$ GeV
- H_1 is safe under the LEP searches.

Scanning result:

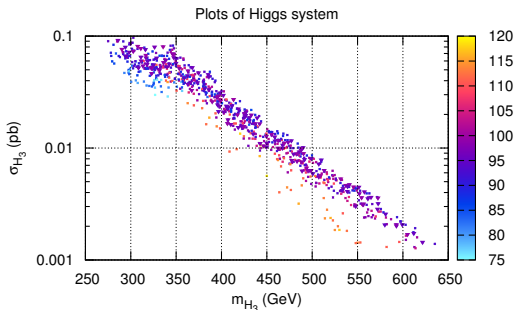
At 14 TeV LHC $gg \rightarrow H_3 \rightarrow H_2 H_1 \rightarrow W(\rightarrow l\nu)W(\rightarrow jj)b\bar{b}$:

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The large triangle points satisfy the LEP hint: $C_{1,V}^2 \frac{\text{Br}(H_1 \rightarrow b\bar{b})}{\text{Br}_{SM}(H_1 \rightarrow b\bar{b})} \sim 0.1 - 0.25$, $m_{H_1} \sim 95 - 100 \text{ GeV}$

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- Two main backgrounds:
 1. $t\bar{t}$ pair production with **semi-leptonic** decay ($\sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(240)$ pb)
 2. $W(\rightarrow l\nu)b\bar{b}$ **+jets** ($\sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(40)$ pb)

The event trigger

We will follow the BDRS procedure [J. M. Butterworth et. al.\(2008\)](#) of Higgs jet tagging with the basic cuts chosen as the following:

- At least two $R = 1.4$ C/A jets with $p_T > 40$ GeV in each event, which satisfy **two conditions**: a significant mass drop $m_{j_1} < 2/3 m_j$ and not too asymmetric splitting of the two subjets $y = \frac{\min(p_{tj1}^2, p_{tj2}^2)}{m_j^2} \Delta R_{j_1, j_2}^2 > 0.09$
- Exactly one isolated lepton with $p_T > 10$ GeV is required.

The Cuts:

- **Cut1:** $p_{T,b\bar{b}} > 150 \text{ GeV}$, $p_{T,jj\ell\nu} > 120 \text{ GeV}$, $|p_{T,b\bar{b}} - p_{T,jj\ell\nu}| < 20 \text{ GeV}$
- **Cut2:** $95 \text{ GeV} < m_{b\bar{b}} < 100 \text{ GeV}$, $m_{jj,\ell\nu} < 150 \text{ GeV}$, $m_{b\bar{b},jj,\ell\nu} < 440 \text{ GeV}$
- **Cut3:** $|\Delta\phi_{\ell j}| < 1.5$
- **Cut4:** $\Delta R_{H_1,b\bar{b}} < 0.01$
- **Cut5:** $M_C = \sqrt{p_{T,jj\ell}^2 + m_{jj\ell}^2} + E_T^{\text{miss}} < 220 \text{ GeV}$

The Cuts flow:

	$t\bar{t} + jets$	$W(\rightarrow l\nu jj)b\bar{b} + jets$	Signal
Events	1.2×10^8	1.91×10^7	1.25×10^4
Triggered	4.95×10^6	1.45×10^6	1456.75
Cut1	3.77×10^5	1.61×10^5	639.5
Cut2	1932	203	119.75
Cut3	1512	155.2	105.5
Cut4	108	47.75	56.25
Cut5	84	47.75	55

Table : Number of events after each cut for background and signal, which have been normalised to 500 fb^{-1} . The signal significance reaches 4.02.

Different masses:

	m_{H_1} (GeV)	m_{H_3} (GeV)	σ (fb)	$\frac{S}{\sqrt{S+B}}$
B1	98	400	25	4.73
B2	65	400	20	7.68
B3	100	300	70	0.81
B4	65	300	50	3.84
B5	100	600	2	2.79
B6	65	600	2	4.99

Table : Number of events after each cut for different benchmark points, which have been normalized to 500 fb^{-1}

- For a given m_{H_3} , a lighter H_1 shows a better discovery potential
- A relatively heavy H_3 is required to boost the H_1 . However, heavy H_3 suffers from small cross section.
- Most of the parameter space are discoverable except for simultaneously light H_3 and heavy H_1 .

Conclusion

- Naturalness of NMSSM predict a light CP-even Higgs sector.
- The light CP-even Higgs sector is discoverable at 14TeV LHC.