

# Constraining CP4 3HDM with meson oscillations

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The usual CP is of order 2. The exotic CP with  $k = 4$  is denoted CP4.

# CP4 3HDM

What is the **minimal NHDM** realizing **CP4** without accidental symmetries?

The answer was given in [Ivanov, Silva, 1512.09276](#).

Consider the 3HDM with  $V = V_0 + V_1$  (notation:  $i \equiv \phi_i$ ), where

$$V_0 = -m_{11}^2(1^\dagger 1) - m_{22}^2(2^\dagger 2 + 3^\dagger 3) + \lambda_1(1^\dagger 1)^2 + \lambda_2 \left[ (2^\dagger 2)^2 + (3^\dagger 3)^2 \right] \\ + \lambda_3(1^\dagger 1)(2^\dagger 2 + 3^\dagger 3) + \lambda_3'(2^\dagger 2)(3^\dagger 3) + \lambda_4 \left[ (1^\dagger 2)(2^\dagger 1) + (1^\dagger 3)(3^\dagger 1) \right] + \lambda_4'(2^\dagger 3)(3^\dagger 2),$$

with all parameters real, and

$$V_1 = \lambda_5(3^\dagger 1)(2^\dagger 1) + \frac{\lambda_6}{2} \left[ (2^\dagger 1)^2 - (3^\dagger 1)^2 \right] + \lambda_8(2^\dagger 3)^2 + \lambda_9(2^\dagger 3) \left[ (2^\dagger 2) - (3^\dagger 3) \right] + h.c.$$

with real  $\lambda_{5,6}$  and **complex**  $\lambda_{8,9}$ . It is invariant under **CP4**  $\phi_i \xrightarrow{CP} X_{ij}\phi_j^*$  with

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & -i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad XX^* = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1).$$

A group-theoretic peculiarity: the symmetry group generated by

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is the **abelian group**  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  but it **unavoidably mixes Higgs families**.

There is **no basis change** which makes  $X$  diagonal.

This feature leads to important phenomenological consequences.

# The flavored CP4 3HDM

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case A:  $\Gamma_1 \simeq$  arbitrary real matrix,  $\Gamma_{2,3} = 0$ .

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When combining up and down quarks, need to match  $\alpha_L$ : **8 combinations**.

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- case (A, A) implies **real CKM**  $\rightarrow$  disregarded.
- cases  $B_1, B_2, B_3$ : quark mass matrices

$$M_d = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum \Gamma_a v_a, \quad M_u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum \Delta_a v_a^*.$$

$v_1 v_2$  AND  $v_3$  must be nonzero to avoid mass-degenerate quarks.

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# The two goals

The two key goals of 2302.03094 = JHEP 04 (2023) 116:

- Learn how to perform an **efficient** parameter space scan!
- Check if some Yukawa scenarios can be **ruled out right away**, even before the full pheno scan.

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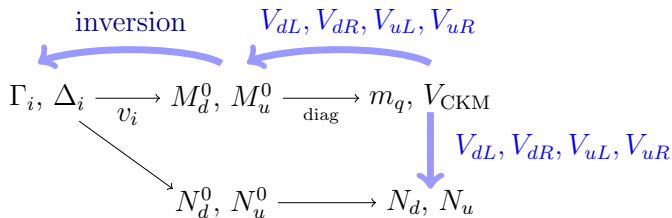
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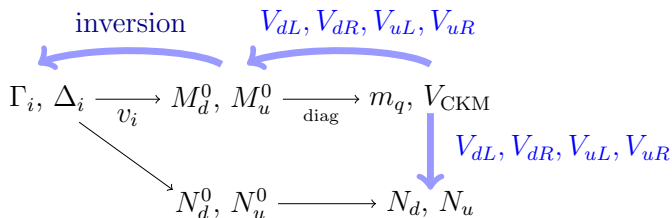
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The goal is to express FCNC matrices  $N_d, N_u$  via physical quark observables and quark rotation parameters.



- In [2302.03094](#), we found expressions for  $N_d$ 's,  $N_u$ 's for all CP4 3HDM Yukawa sectors (trivial for  $A$ , non-trivial for  $B_1, B_2, B_3$ ).
- Remarkably,  $N_{d2}$  and  $N_{u2}$  are similar to the BGL-like models and offer [some control over FCNCs](#). For example, in case  $B_1$  we get:

$$(N_{d2})_{ij} = \cot \beta m_{d_j} \delta_{ij} - \frac{m_{d_j}}{c_\beta s_\beta} (V_{dL,3i})^* V_{dL,3j}.$$

- However  $N_{d3}$  and  $N_{u3}$  show completely different patterns.

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CP4 feature:  $\Phi_3 d \bar{d} \propto m_s$ , not  $m_d$ ;  $\Phi_3 d \bar{s} \propto m_s$ , not  $\sqrt{m_d m_s}$ .

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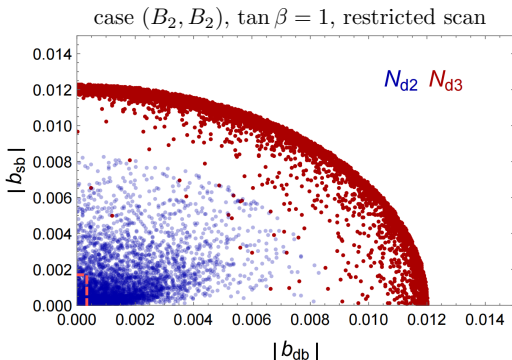
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Some clarifications.

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- This is a step towards understanding **how to do a clever CP4 3HDM scan**.
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  - ▶ **How small** the FCNCs can in principle become? What controls their smallness?
  - ▶ Can some CP4 3HDM Yukawa sectors be already excluded?

# Results of the numerical study 2302.03094

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# Conclusions

- **CP4 3HDM** is the minimal model implementing a CP symmetry of order 4 (**CP4**) without accidental symmetries.
- CP4 can be extended to the **Yukawa sector** → very characteristic flavor sector.
- Out of 8 possible CP4 invariant Yukawa sectors, only two scenarios —  $(A, B_2)$  and  $(B_1, B_1)$  — lead to viable models!

## Tired of 2HDMs? Try CP4 3HDM

- based on a **single symmetry assumption**,
- quite predictive with rich phenomenology,
- **analytical insights** guide numerical exploration.