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Implementation of the extra doublet and the singlet in the Standard Model. The lagrangian is,

$$\mathscr{L} = (D_{\mu}H_{1})^{\dagger}(D^{\mu}H_{1}) + (D_{\mu}H_{2})^{\dagger}(D^{\mu}H_{2}) + (\partial_{\mu}S)^{\dagger}(\partial^{\mu}S) - V(H_{1}, H_{2}, S)$$
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- All scalar couplings  $\lambda_i$  (*i* = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8) and  $\mu_{12}^2$  are assumed to be real parameters.
- This potential is obtained by imposing two  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetries on the scalar potential:

$$H_1 \to H_1, \quad H_2 \to -H_2, \quad S \to S.$$
  
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• "Physical" input free parameters:

 $m_{h_{1,2,3}}$  ,  $m_A$  ,  $m_{H^{\pm}}$  , v ,  $v_S$  ,  $\tan\beta = v_2/v_1$  ,  $\alpha_{1,2,3}$  ,  $\mu_{12}^2$ 

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	$\chi_t^{h_i}$	$\chi^{h_i}_d$	$\chi^{h_i}_V$
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$h_2$	$(c_{\alpha_1}c_{\alpha_3}-s_{\alpha_1}s_{\alpha_2}s_{\alpha_3})/s_{\beta}$	$-(c_{\alpha_3}s_{\alpha_1}+c_{\alpha_1}s_{\alpha_2}s_{\alpha_3})/c_{\beta}$	$-c_{\beta-\alpha_1}s_{\alpha_2}s_{\alpha_3}+c_{\alpha_3}s_{\beta-\alpha_1}$
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Figure 1: Higgs bosons  $h_i$  (i = 1, 2, 3) tadpole diagrams showing the contribution at one loop of: fermions (f): straight line; vector bosons ( $V = W^{\pm}, Z$ ): wiggly line; scalars ( $S = h_1, h_2, h_3, A, H^{\pm}$ ): short dashed line; and ghosts ( $\eta = \eta^0, \eta^{\pm}$ ): long-dashed line.

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which it turns out that

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The 2HDM limit ⇐⇒ λ<sub>7</sub> = λ<sub>8</sub> = 0 [Nucl. Phys. B 926, 167 (2018), arXiv:1709.07219 [hep-ph]

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 $\Rightarrow$  we perform a random scan over the parameter space of the N2HDM type-II, by applying all the theoretical and experimental constraints and we keep only the points in the parameter space that fits within the definition of VC (as the parameter  $\epsilon$  must be controllably small, we consider the cases  $\epsilon = 4, 6, 10$ ).

$m_{h_1}$	$m_{h_{2,3}}$	$m_A$	$m_{H^\pm}$	$\tan\beta$	$\alpha_{1,2,3}$	$\mu_{12}^2$	$v_s$
125.09	[130; 1000]	[200; 1000]	[580; 1000]	[0.5; 12]	$[-\frac{\pi}{2};\frac{\pi}{2}]$	$[0; 10^6]$	[100; 1000]

Table 1: Scan ranges of the Type-II input parameters. Masses,  $\mu_{12}^2$ , and  $v_S$  are given in GeV.

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• for  $\epsilon = 4$  and taking into account limit from B-physics - most of the orange points falling within the range of  $m_A$  (resp.  $m_{H^{\pm}}$ ), from 700 GeV to 858 GeV (resp. from 706 GeV to 824 GeV).

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• For  $h_2$  (resp.  $h_3$ ), the excluded Higgs mass region is significantly extended with lower bounds around 604 GeV (resp. 776 GeV) and upper bounds reaching 809 GeV (resp. 962 GeV).

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Fig: Projection of the surviving samples of the type-II N2HDM, while respecting the Veltman conditions for  $\epsilon = 4$ , in the  $[\sin(\alpha_1 - \beta), \tan\beta]$  plane. Such a projection is overlaid on the expected exclusion limits at  $2\sigma$  in the type-II 2HDM hypothesis, according to to the measured rates of Higgs boson production and decays by ATLAS [ATLAS-CONF-2021-053 (2021)].

⇒ The model outcome falls squarely within the observed range at  $2\sigma$ , fully reflecting the consistency of N2HDM with the experimental measurements, together with the VC.



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BP1	3.23	0.9927	-0.0076	0.999971	125.09	676.714	779.429	700.329	708.470	363	379
BP2	2.39	0.9908	-0.023606	0.999721	125.09	811.969	966.002	858.407	826.424	500.70	379.55
BP3	1.53	0.9778	-0.000842	1.0	125.09	606.698	851.301	794.755	740.410	503.47	379.55
BP4	1.29	0.9249	-0.02957	0.999563	125.09	394.440	691.753	497.419	592.647	358.012	379.55
BP5	1.03	0.9835	-0.005086	0.999987	125.09	601.137	696.009	661.480	643.149	459.600	379.55

Table 2: Higgs bosons masses,  $\mu$ -parameter and singlet's *vev*  $v_S$  (in GeV) are shown in the scenario of h1 is the SM-like Higgs boson for various values of angles  $\alpha$ 's and  $\beta$ .

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