Type I 2HDM in Top Decays and the 13 TeV excess in $t\bar{t}H$ searches

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Important to consider alternatives complementary to direct production

High Statistics Final States

E.g.,

> <u>Differential Drell-Yan distribution</u>

> running of EW couplings: indirect probe of EW-charged states

> Rare decays of copiously produced SM particles

> rare top decays:

sensitive to additional scalars in Higgs sector

Rare Top Decays

In 2 Higgs Doublet Model, top can decay to charged Higgs



If type-II 2HDM:

 $y_u H_u Q u^c + y_d H_d Q d^c + y_\ell H_d Q \ell^c$





95% CL limit on $\sigma_{H^+} \times B_{H^+ \rightarrow \tau \nu}$ [pb]

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 H^+ decays



MSSM inspired	In this talk
$Type II y_u H_u Q u^c + y_d H_d Q d^c + y_\ell H_d Q \ell^c$	$Type I y_u H_1 Q u^c + y_d H_1 Q d^c + y_\ell H_1 Q \ell^c$

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Right ballpark to explain recent ATLAS excess in $t\bar{t}H$

Excess appears exclusively on 1 b-tag channel

Easily explained by small mass splitting $m_t - m_{H^{\pm}}$

 \Rightarrow b is too soft to be tagged

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Fit of excess with rare top decay in light type-I 2HDM

Summary

Probing new EW physics @ LHC is challenging

Searches in direct production (low statistics) can be complemented by high statistics channels

E.g., rare top decays

In type I 2HDM,

- > new scalars can be light
 - > top can decay to charged higgs
 - > such decays can contaminate ttH searches
 - > could explain recent excess in ATLAS ttH search in multileptons

Thank You