

Charming top decays with flavor changing Higgs boson and $\tau\tau$ at LHC

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SM and FCNH



The Standard Model

- In Standard model, we have six flavors of quarks and three flavors of charged leptons
- Higgs like boson's discovery in 2012, has completed the particle content, predicted by SM
- Higgs mechanism is not fully understood, hence room for new physics

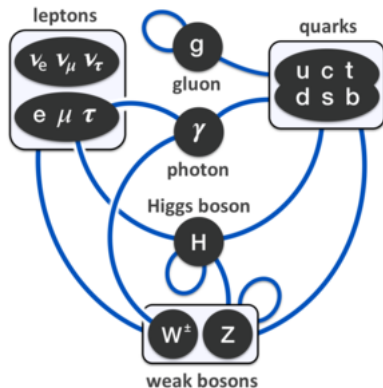


Figure: Standard Model



FCNH in Standard Model and Limits on Flavor anomalies

- In SM Flavor Changing neutral currents like $t \rightarrow c(u)V^0$, ($V^0 = \gamma, Z, h^0$) or $h^0 \rightarrow \tau\bar{\mu}$ are absent at tree level.
- At one loop level, SM predicts $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow qh, Z, \gamma) \simeq 10^{-14}$ from ¹ and $\mathcal{B}(h^0 \rightarrow f_i f_j)$ is highly suppressed at one loop level, where $i \neq j$.
- Current limits on some of the flavor anomalous searches are,
 - $\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma \lesssim 4.5 \times 10^{-8}$ at 90% C.L (Belle-collaboration)
 - $\tau \rightarrow e\gamma \lesssim 1.1 \times 10^{-8}$ at 90 % C.L (BaBar Collaboration)
 - $\tau \rightarrow 3\ell \lesssim (1.5 - 2.7) \times 10^{-8}$ at 90% C.L (Belle collaboration)
 - $h \rightarrow \tau\mu \lesssim 2.5 \times 10^{-3}$ at 95 % C.L (CMS Collaboration)
 - $t \rightarrow ch^0 \lesssim 1.1 \times 10^{-3}$ at 95 % C.L (ATLAS collaboration)

¹Aguilar-Saavedra arxiv:hep-ph/0409342



General Two Higgs Doublet Model(gTHDM) and FCNH



General Two Higgs Doublet Model(gTHDM)

- In gTHDM, we have two doublets ϕ_i ($i = 1,2$) with same hypercharge, and the Higgs potential is,²

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{THDM} = & m_{11}^2 \phi_1^\dagger \phi_1 + m_{22}^2 \phi_2^\dagger \phi_2 - \{m_{12}^2 \phi_1^\dagger \phi_2 + h.c\} \\
 & + (1/2)\lambda_1 (\phi_1^\dagger \phi_1)^2 + (1/2)\lambda_2 (\phi_2^\dagger \phi_2)^2 + \lambda_3 (\phi_1^\dagger \phi_2)(\phi_2^\dagger \phi_1) \\
 & + \lambda_4 (\phi_1^\dagger \phi_2)(\phi_2^\dagger \phi_1) + \{(1/2)\lambda_5 (\phi_1^\dagger \phi_2) + h.c\} \\
 & + \{(\lambda_6 \phi_1^\dagger \phi_1 + \lambda_7 \phi_2^\dagger \phi_2) \phi_1^\dagger \phi_2 + h.c\}
 \end{aligned}$$

- After Electroweak symmetry the two doublets in arbitrary basis ³

$$\phi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi_1^0 + v_1 + iIm\phi_1^0) \end{pmatrix} \quad \phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi_2^0 + v_2 + iIm\phi_2^0) \end{pmatrix}$$

where $v_{1,2}$ are VEV from two doublets such that $v_1^2 + v_2^2 = v^2, v = 246.1$ GeV

²J.Gunion & H.Haber [10.1103/PhysRevD.67.075019]

³G.C,Branco.et.al 10.1016/j.physrep.2012.02.002



General Two Higgs Doublet Model(THDM)

- When we apply a Z_2 symmetry i.e $\phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_1$ and $\phi_2 \rightarrow -\phi_2$, for this symmetry, $m_{12}^2, \lambda_{6,7} = 0$ and now the two doublets are no longer identical.⁴
- In this basis we can define $\tan\beta \equiv v_2/v_1$.
- For our study we have broken the Z_2 symmetry softly by considering a non zero, m_{12}^2 .
- It is important to note that $\tan\beta$ is not a physical parameter because I can choose a basis in which one doublet takes a vev and other one doesn't. This basis is called Higgs Basis.⁵

⁴G.C,Branco.t.al 10.1016/j.physrep.2012.02.002

⁵H.Haber & D.O'Neil 10.1103/PhysRevD.74.059905



General Two Higgs Doublet Model

- β is also the rotation angle that diagonalizes the mass matrix of ϕ_i^+ and $Im(\phi_0)_i$.
- α rotation diagonalizes the mass matrix of ϕ_i^0 .

$$\phi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} c_\beta G^+ - s_\beta H^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_\alpha H^0 - s_\alpha h^0 + v c_\beta + i c_\beta G^0 - i s_\beta A^0) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} s_\beta G^+ + c_\beta H^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(s_\alpha H^0 + c_\alpha h^0 + v s_\beta + i s_\beta G^0 + i c_\beta A^0) \end{pmatrix}$$

J.Gunion & H.Haber [10.1103/PhysRevD.67.075019]

- H^\pm , is a charged scalar, A^0 , CP odd h^0 and H^0 CP even scalars.



2HDM and Corrections to Yukawa sector

- The mixing of the two doublets, induce corrections to Yukawa couplings. The effective yukawa lagrangian in General 2HDM is,

$$-\sqrt{2}\mathcal{L}_Y = \bar{F} \left\{ \left[\kappa^F s_{\beta-\alpha} + \rho^F c_{\beta-\alpha} \right] h + \left[\kappa^F c_{\beta-\alpha} - \rho^F s_{\beta-\alpha} \right] H^0 \right\} P_R F - \left\{ i \text{sgn}(Q_F) \rho^F A^0 \right\} P_R F + \text{H.c.}$$

where $P_{L,R} \equiv (1 \mp \gamma_5)/2$, $c_{\beta-\alpha} = \cos(\beta - \alpha)$, $s_{\beta-\alpha} = \sin(\beta - \alpha)$, and α is the mixing angle between neutral Higgs scalars in the Type II (2HDM-II) notation⁶, κ matrices are diagonal and fixed by fermion masses to $\kappa^F = \sqrt{2}m_F/v$ with $v \simeq 246$ GeV, while ρ matrices are free and have both diagonal and off diagonal term.

⁶J. F. Gunion, H. E. Haber, G. L. Kane and S. Dawson, *Front. Phys.* **80**, 1 (2000)



THDM and Flavor Changing Neutral Currents

- With ρ matrix containing non diagonal terms, we have tree level FCNC's possible in gTHDM
- This property of gTHDM was considered dangerous.
- So Pashchos-Glashow-Weinberg, proposed that by restricting one doublet to interact with certain kind fermion, we can remove these FCNH couplings at tree level(Natural flavor Conservation(NFC))^{7, 8}
- Following this we have Type I, Type II, Lepton Specific , Lepton Flipped models of 2HDM.
- These model only effect the yukawa sector, Higgs couplings to bosons are independent of these model variations.

⁷Glashow.et.al 10.1103/PhysRevD.15.1958

⁸Paschos 10.1103/PhysRevD.15.1966



Why gTHDM over THDM-I, THDM-II ..



Limitations of NFC THDM models

- NFC models cannot simultaneously explain the anomalies observed in the Tauonic B meson decays ($b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$), namely $R(D)$, $R(D^*)$ and $B_u \rightarrow \tau\nu$.
- Current experimental anomalies in the measurements of $R(D^*)$, $R(D)$, $R(K^*)$ etc, points towards a flavor violating side of the Nature.

Anomaly	SM expectation	Observed
$R(D)$	0.299 ± 0.011	$0.407 \pm 0.039 \pm 0.024$ (WA)
$R(D^*)$	0.252 ± 0.003	$0.304 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.007$ (WA)
$B_u \rightarrow \tau\nu$	$[(0.84 \pm 0.11) \times 10^{-4}]^9$	$(1.67 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}$

Table: Current Flavor Anomalies measurements, WA = World Average, From LHCb, Belle and BaBar Collaborations¹⁰. $B_u \rightarrow \tau\nu$ is taken from doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.86.054014

⁹doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2010.02.063 [arXiv:0908.3470 [hep-ph]]

¹⁰doi:10.1016/j.nuclphysb.2017.10.014



Limitations of NFC THDM models

- As shown by Crivellin.et.al ¹¹, THDM-II and THDM of type III with MFV can only explain $B_u \rightarrow \tau \nu$ and again by Iguru.et.al ¹², there results are shown below,

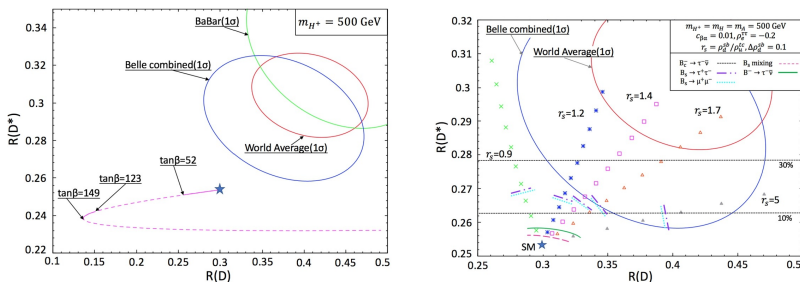


Figure: Predictions for $R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$ from THDM-II (left) and gTHDM(right) [doi:10.1016/j.nuclphysb.2017.10.014]

¹¹ doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.86.054014

¹² [doi:10.1016/j.nuclphysb.2017.10.014]



$$t \rightarrow ch^0$$



Motivation

- Top mass
- Current Experimental Limits are 12 orders of magnitude higher than SM expectation
- FCNH coupling ρ_{tc} can also drive Electroweak Baryogenesis¹³.
- Discovery will lead to definitive signature of new physics either at tree level or at loop level.

¹³Fuyuto et al doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2017.11.073



Translating Experimental Constraints

- The Branching Fraction for $t \rightarrow ch^0$ is given as, Using $m_t = 173.2$ GeV, $M_h = 125.1$ GeV and $m_c = 1.42$ GeV

$$\mathcal{B}_{t \rightarrow ch^0} = \frac{c_{\beta\alpha}^2 m_t}{32\pi\Gamma_t} \{0.48|\tilde{\rho}_{tc}|^2\} \times \lambda^{1/2}(1, x_c^2, x_h^2) \quad (1)$$

Where $\tilde{\rho}_{tc} = \sqrt{\frac{|\rho_{tc}|^2 + |\rho_{ct}|^2}{2}}$,

$$\lambda(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2xy - 2xz - 2yz, \quad x_i = m_i/m_t$$

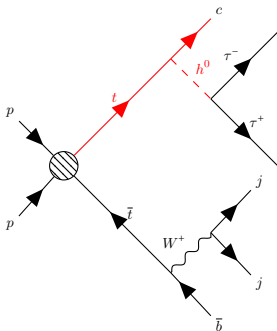
- Current limits $\mathcal{B}_{t \rightarrow ch^0} \lesssim 1.1 \times 10^{-3}$ gives $\lambda_{tc} = \tilde{\rho}_{tc} c_{\beta-\alpha} \lesssim 0.064$ ¹⁴

¹⁴doi 10.1007/JHEP05(2019)123, ATLAS Collaboration



Parameters and Channel of study

- Our production channel is top pair production at LHC. With the following following decay modes,
 - $t \rightarrow ch^0 \rightarrow c\tau^+\tau^-$, Other top decays via $t \rightarrow bj\bar{j}$ [Work in progress]



Channel of Study and Important Backgrounds

- We are considering the two different final states here,
 - $\tau^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell \bar{\nu}_\tau, \tau^- \rightarrow \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \nu_\tau$
 - $\tau^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell \bar{\nu}_\tau, \tau^- \rightarrow j_\tau \nu_\tau$
- Where $j_\tau = \pi^\pm, \rho$ and a_1
- For this talk I am only considering the two leptonically decaying τ' s
- Important backgrounds are
 - $t\bar{t}jj$
 - $t\bar{t}W^\pm$ and $t\bar{t}Z$
 - $b\bar{b}jjW^+W^-$,
 - $b\bar{b}jj\tau^+\tau^-$



Event Generation and Selection

- We have used MadGraph5 to generate parton level events and then use Pythia8 to mimic hadronization and showering effect, and later pass on to Delphes for detector modeling.
- We apply minimal cuts to get a stable cross section for event generation at tree-level and later use K-factor to scale them to NLO.
- After this we extract events from the samples by applying the following selection rules,
 - $P_T(b, j) \geq 20$ GeV
 - $|\eta(b)| \leq 4.7$, $|\eta(j)| \leq 2.5$
 - $P_T(\ell) \geq 10$ GeV, and two OS leptons , $|\eta(\ell)| \leq 2.5$
 - $E_T \geq 25$ GeV, $(\ell\ell, jj, bj, bb, lj, lb) \geq 0.4$
 - $P_T(\text{leading } \ell) \geq 20$ GeV
 - We also apply b veto. Remove all the event having more than one b with $P_T \geq 20$ GeV and $|\eta| < 4.7$
 - To reconstruct Higgs mass we apply collinear approximation to reconstruct τ momenta.



Event Selection

- Under collinear approximation¹⁵,

$$P_{\tau_i} = P_{\ell_i}/x_i$$

- We only select those event which satisfy $0 \leq x_i \leq 1$ Where $i = 1, 2$.
- After applying all these selection rules, Background cross section at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

Process	Cross-section(fb)
$t\bar{t}jj$	711.324
$t\bar{t}W^\pm$	0.5516
$t\bar{t}Z$	0.362
$b\bar{b}jjW^+W^-$	1.404
$b\bar{b}jj\tau^+\tau^-$	2.052

¹⁵Higgs decay to $\tau^+\tau^-$ a possible signature of intermediate mass higgs bosons at high energy hadron colliders. Nuclear Physics B, 297(2):221 – 243, 1988.



Training Variables and BDT outcome

- We use the following variables training.
 - Invariant mass of two light jets $M(j,j)$ and Invariant mass of b jet and two light jets $M(b,j,j)$
 - Invariant Mass of two τ 's and Invariant mass of c and two τ 's. Using collinear approximation
 - $P_T(b, j, j, \ell_1, \ell_2)$ and E_T
 - Invariant mass of two leptons.
- After the selecting the events, we create two different samples for Signal by randomly selecting 80% events and train both of them with the total background sample.
- We also apply some Mass window cuts before training,
 - $40 \leq M(j_1, j_2) \leq 120\text{GeV}$
 - $100 \leq M(b, j_1, j_2) \leq 246\text{GeV}$
 - $M(\ell, \ell) \leq 80 \text{ GeV}$



Here we have used TMVA ¹⁶ for our BDT analysis,

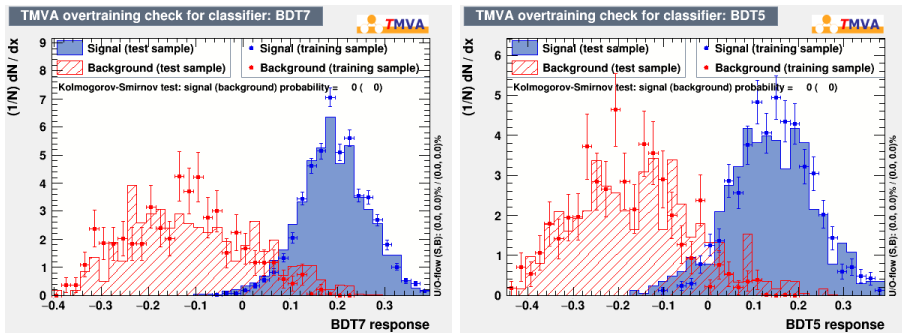


Figure: BDT discriminator from the two different samples

¹⁶TMVA, arXiv:physics/0703039



Current Estimate on the Significance

$$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$$

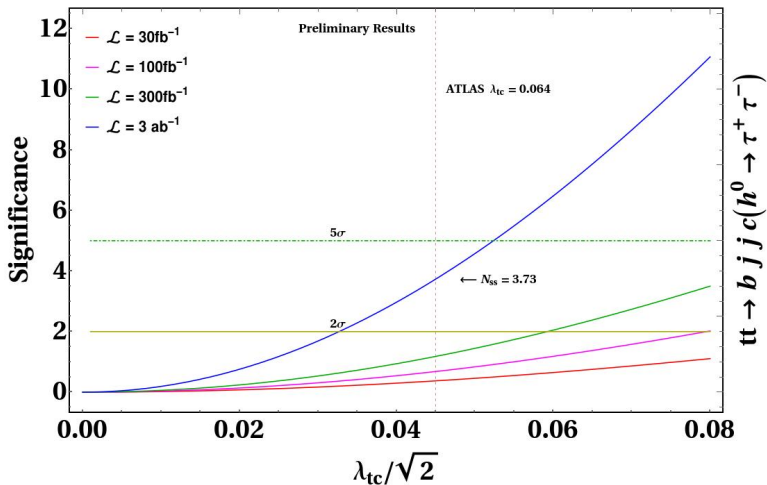


Figure: Preliminary Estimates of Significance



Conclusion and Future Work



- FCNC's presents an exciting new physics channel to probe. If detected, can improve our understanding of the flavor structure of the Nature.
- The $t \rightarrow ch^0$ also holds promising future. However the study we presented is limited for one τ decay modes. Including other decay modes for τ , can really improve the expectation for current and future hadron colliders.
- The $tc\phi$ coupling holds a very rich phenomenology, and In the future I would like work more on this, to find out what it can tell us about nature.

