Precision constraints on the MSSM Higgs sector

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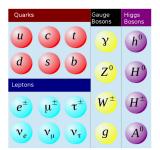
- ▶ We have a well-established and well-tested model → Standard Model (SM).
- but SM must be extended to explain Dark Matter, hierarchy problem, ...,
- ▶ no direct evidence for beyond SM physics at the LHC yet,
- most known particles studied intensively confirming SM predictions,
- but discovered SM-like Higgs boson at the LHC.

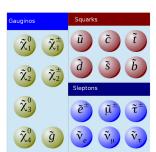
Where to look for new physics?

- → One promising place: the **Higgs sector**
 - ▶ Higgs boson properties still leave room for deviations from SM,
 - ► Higgs boson can be coupled easily to beyond SM particles,
 - why should there be only one scalar particle?

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- ► The MSSM addresses many of the open issues of the SM.
- each SM degree of freedom is associated with a superpartner.
- in addition, the SM Higgs sector is extended by an additional doublet \rightarrow five physical Higgses (h, H, A, H^{\pm})





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The MSSM Higgs sector – potential

Two Higgs doublets

$$\Phi_i = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_i^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (v_i + \phi_i + i\chi_i) \end{pmatrix},$$

general THDM Higgs potential has 9 non-SM parameters

$$\begin{split} V_{\mathsf{THDM}}(\Phi_1, \Phi_2) &= m_{11}^2 \, \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1 + m_{22}^2 \, \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2 - \left(m_{12}^2 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 + \mathrm{h.c.} \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \lambda_1 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_2 (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + \lambda_3 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2) + \lambda_4 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1) \\ &+ \left(\frac{1}{2} \lambda_5 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + \lambda_6 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1) (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2) + \lambda_7 (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2) (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2) + \mathrm{h.c.} \right), \end{split}$$

SUSY reduces these to 2

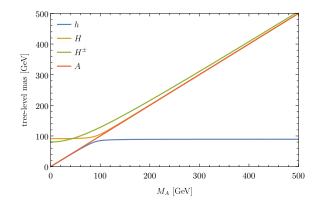
$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{4}(g^2 + g_y^2), \lambda_3 = \frac{1}{4}(g^2 - g_y^2), \lambda_4 = -\frac{1}{2}g^2, \lambda_{5,6,7} = 0$$

 \rightarrow predictive model!

The MSSM Higgs sector – mass eigenstates

Two Higgs doublets \rightarrow five physical Higgs states: h, H, A, H^{\pm}

▶ Two non-SM input parameters: M_A and $\tan \beta = v_2/v_1$.



 \rightarrow Decoupling limit: $M_A \gg M_Z$.

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Special feature of MSSM

Mass of lightest \mathcal{CP} -even Higgs, M_h , is calculable in terms of model parameters \Rightarrow can be used as a precision observable

- ▶ at tree-level $M_h^2 \simeq M_Z^2 \cos^2(2\beta) \leq M_Z^2$,
- $ightharpoonup M_h$ is, however, heavily affected by loop corrections,
- directly sensitive to the SUSY scale.

Experimentally measured mass: [Aad et al., 1503.07589]

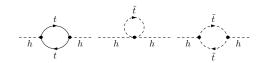
$$M_h^{\rm exp} = 125.08 \pm 0.21 \ ({
m stat.}) \pm 0.11 \ ({
m sys.}) \ {
m GeV}$$

To fully profit from experimental precision, higher order calculations are crucial!

Three approaches are used:

- ► Fixed-order (FO) approach:
 - + Precise for low SUSY scales,
 - but for high scales $\ln(M_{\tilde{t}}^2/M_t^2)$ terms spoil convergence of perturbative expansion.
- effective field theory (EFT) approach:
 - + Precise for high SUSY scales (logs resummed),
 - but for low scales $\mathcal{O}(M_t/M_{\text{SUSY}})$ terms are missed if higher-dimensional operators are not included.
- hybrid approach:
 - ++ Precise for low and high SUSY scales.

Fixed-order techniques



$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_h^2 &\simeq m_h^2 - \hat{\Sigma}_{hh}(m_h^2) = \ &= m_h^2 + rac{6y_t^4}{(4\pi)^2} v^2 \left[\ln rac{M_{ ilde{t}}^2}{M_t^2} + \left(rac{X_t}{M_{ ilde{t}}}
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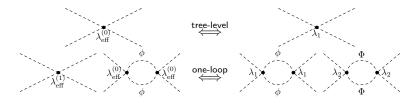
- ightharpoonup Stop mass scale $M_{\tilde{t}} = \sqrt{M_{\tilde{t}_1} M_{\tilde{t}_2}}$,
- large logarithms spoil perturbative convergence if $M_{\tilde{t}} \gg M_t$,
- ▶ status in FeynHiggs: $\mathcal{O}(\text{full 1L}, \alpha_s(\alpha_b + \alpha_t), (\alpha_b + \alpha_t)^2)$.

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{toy}} = & \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \phi \partial^{\mu} \phi + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \Phi \partial^{\mu} \Phi - m^2 \phi^2 - M^2 \Phi^2 - V(\phi, \Phi) \\ V(\phi, \Phi) = & \frac{\lambda_1}{4!} \phi^4 + \frac{\lambda_2}{4} \phi^2 \Phi^2 + \frac{\lambda_3}{4!} \Phi^4 \end{split}$$

Effective Lagrangian for $Q \sim m \ll M$

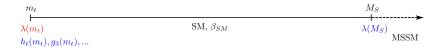
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \phi \partial^{\mu} \phi - \textit{m}^{2} \phi^{2} - \frac{\textit{g}_{\text{eff}}}{3!} \phi^{3} - \frac{\lambda_{\text{eff}}}{4!} \phi^{4}$$

Determine $g_{\text{eff}}, \lambda_{\text{eff}}$ by matching with full theory



→ threshold corrections

EFT calculation (simplest hierarchy)



- Integrate out all SUSY particles → SM as EFT,
- Higgs self-coupling fixed at matching scale

$$\lambda(M_{\text{SUSY}}) = \frac{1}{4}(g^2 + g_y^2)c_{2\beta}^2 + \frac{6y_t^4}{(4\pi)^2} \left[\left(\frac{X_t}{M_{\text{SUSY}}} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{12} \left(\frac{X_t}{M_{\text{SUSY}}} \right)^4 \right] + \dots,$$

- run Higgs self-coupling down to electroweak scale.
- ightharpoonup calculate Higgs mass: $M_h^2 = \lambda(M_t)v^2 + \dots$
- status in FeynHiggs: full LL + NLL resummation, NNLL resummation in gaugeless limit, partial N³LL resummation; similar precision for multi-scale hierarchies.

How to deal with intermediary SUSY scales?

For sparticles in the LHC range, both logs and suppressed terms might be relevant. We could try to improve

- ▶ fixed-order calculation → need to calculate more three- and two-loop corrections,
- ► EFT calculation → need to include higher-dimensional operators into calculation.

or ...



Hybrid approach

Combine both approaches to get precise results for both regimes!

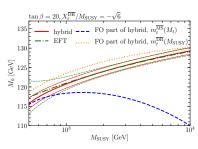
Procedure in FeynHiggs

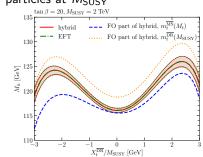
- 1. Calculation of diagrammatic fixed-order self-energies $\hat{\Sigma}_{hh}$
- 2. Calculation of EFT prediction $\lambda(M_t)v^2$
- Add non-logarithmic terms contained in fixed-order result and the logarithms contained in EFT result

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{hh}(m_h^2) \longrightarrow \left[\hat{\Sigma}_{hh}(m_h^2)\right]_{\text{nolog}} - \left[v^2 \lambda(M_t)\right]_{\text{log}}$$

In practice, this is achieved by using subtraction terms.

Single-scale scenario with all non-SM particles at $M_{\rm SUSY}$





"Rule of thumb"

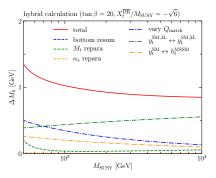
Remaining theoretical uncertainties (for \overline{DR} stop input parameter):

$$X_t/M_{\text{SUSY}} = 0 \rightarrow \Delta M_h \sim 0.5 \text{ GeV},$$

 $X_t/M_{\text{SUSY}} = \sqrt{6} \rightarrow \Delta M_h \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

Slightly higher for OS stop input parameters.

Remaining uncertainties – individual sources



Uncertainty estimate dominated by:

- Uncertainty from higher order threshold corrections:
 - vary matching scale between SM and MSSM,
 - reexpress treshold correction in terms of h_t^{MSSM} instead of y_t^{SM} .
- Uncertainty of SM input couplings:
 - $y_t(M_t)$ extracted at the 2- or 3-loop level out of OS top mass.
- \rightarrow FeynHiggs provides point-by-point uncertainty estimate.

Higgs mass: multi-scale hierarchies

Multi-scale hierarchies

Large hierarchy between SUSY particles \rightarrow EFT tower needed.

$$M_{\mathrm{SUSY}}, M_{\chi}$$
 — M_{SUSY} — M_{SUSY} — M_{SUSY} — M_{SUSY} — M_{SUSY} — M_{χ} — M

EFTs implemented in FeynHiggs:

- ► SM (resums $ln(M_{\tilde{t}}/M_t)$),
- SM+EWinos (resums $ln(M_{\tilde{t}}/M_{\tilde{\chi}}))$,
- SM+Gluino (resums $ln(M_{\tilde{t}}/M_{\tilde{g}})$ if $M_{\tilde{g}} < M_{\tilde{t}}$),

- ► SM+EWinos+Gluino,
- ► THDM (resums $ln(M_{\tilde{t}}/M_A)$),
- ► THDM+EWinos,
- ► THDM+EWinos+Gluino.

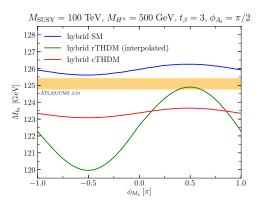
THDM as EFT

- For low M_A , the EFT of the MSSM is not the THDM type-II, \rightarrow both Higgs doublets couple to e.g. top quarks,
- loop corrections induce non-zero (potentially complex) values for $\lambda_{5,6,7}$
- ⇒ Large number of EFT parameters complicating the calculation.

Recent progress:

- complex THDM as EFT [HB,Murphy,Rzehak,1909.00726,2010.04711],
- ightharpoonup calculation of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t^2)$ threshold corrections [HB,Sobolev, 2010.01989].

Complex THDM as EFT



Including phase dependence fully in

- ► 2L RGEs,
- one-loop threshold corrections,
- \triangleright $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t \alpha_s)$ λ_i -threshold corrections.

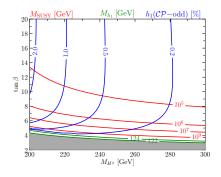
Intermezzo: $\mathcal{CP}\text{-}\mathrm{odd}$ component of

the SM-like Higgs boson Sizeable CP-odd component requires

- ► Large mixing with CP-odd A boson
 - imaginary parts of couplings have to be large

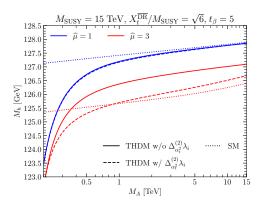
$$(\phi_{A_t}=2\pi/3,\phi_{M_3}=\pi/4)$$
• tan β and M_{H^\pm} must be

- an eta and M_{H^\pm} must be small
- ▶ large SUSY scale required to ensure $M_h \sim 125$ GeV $\rightarrow \mathcal{CP}$ -mixing decouples



Potential discovery of \mathcal{CP} -odd component at the LHC would probably exclude the MSSM.

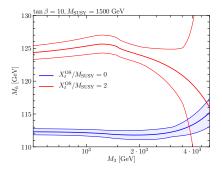
$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_t^2)$ threshold corrections to λ_i



- compared different calculation methods,
- easiest methods: calculate 2L four-point functions in the unbroken phase,
- calculation fully includes CP-violating phases.

The heavy gluino limit: $M_{\tilde{e}} \gg M_{\tilde{\tau}}$

Increasingly relevant due to tightening LHC gluino limits.



Large uncertainty due to M_3 power-enhanced terms appearing at the two-loop level in \overline{DR} EFT calculation (do not appear in OS scheme).

Needed EFT: MSSM without gluino

Has not been worked out yet...

Solution: Absorb power-enhanced terms into renormalization scheme [HB.Sobolev,Weiglein,1912.10002]

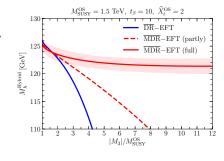
Use $\overline{\mathsf{MDR}}$ instead of $\overline{\mathsf{DR}}$ in EFT.

$$\begin{split} &\left(m_{\overline{t}L,R}^{\overline{\text{MDR}}}\right)^2 = \left(m_{\overline{t}L,R}^{\overline{\text{DR}}}\right)^2 \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_{\text{S}}}{\pi} C_F \frac{|M_3|^2}{m_{\overline{t}L,R}^2} \left(1 + \ln \frac{Q^2}{|M_3|^2}\right)\right], \\ & X_t^{\overline{\text{MDR}}}(Q) = X_t^{\overline{\text{DR}}}(Q) - \frac{\alpha_{\text{S}}}{\pi} C_F M_3 \left(1 + \ln \frac{Q^2}{|M_3|^2}\right), \end{split}$$

resums all $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^n M_3^{2n}, \alpha_s^n M_3^n)$ terms.



Drastically reduced uncertainty.



(not yet usable with the public FeynHiggs version)

Exemplary phenomenology applications

Higgs benchmark scenarios – why do we need them?

- ► MSSM has large number of free parameters,
- ▶ interpretation of Higgs properties and searches for additional Higgs bosons would require large parameter scans.



Focus on benchmark scenarios with only two free parameters:

- ▶ Typically presented in M_A -tan β plane (or $M_{H^{\pm}}$ -tan β),
- ightharpoonup fix stop mass scale and other parameters such that SM-like Higgs with mass of ~ 125 GeV exists,
- each scenario has a different phenomenology,
- provide interpretation frameworks for experiments.

Technical setup

[Bagnaschi, HB, Fuchs, Hahn, Heinemeyer, Liebler, Patel, Slavich, Stefaniak, Wagner, Weiglein, 1808.07542]

Defined using:

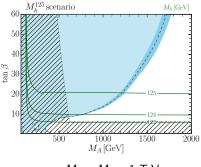
- ▶ FeynHiggs → Higgs masses and branching ratios,
- ► SusHi → Higgs production cross-sections,
- ► HiggsBounds → direct searches for extra Higgs bosons,
- ► HiggsSignals → SM-like Higgs signal strengths.

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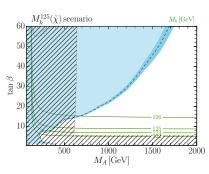
- ▶ M_b^{125} scenario → all SUSY particles at the TeV scale,
- ▶ $M_h^{125}(\tilde{\chi})$ scenario → light Bino, Winos and Higgsinos.

M_h^{125} and $M_h^{125}(\tilde{\chi})$ scenarios

$$M_{Q_3} = M_{U_3} = M_{D_3} = 1.5 \text{ TeV}, \quad M_{L_3} = M_{E_3} = 2 \text{ TeV}, \ M_3 = 2.5 \text{ TeV}, \quad X_t = 2.8 \text{ TeV}, \quad A_b = A_\tau = A_t \,.$$



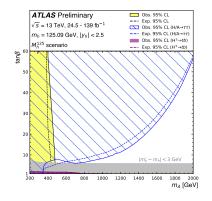
$$\mu = M_1 = M_2 = 1 \text{ TeV}$$

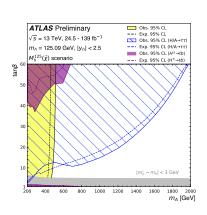


$$\mu = M_2 = 180 \text{ GeV}, M_1 = 160 \text{ GeV}$$

- Blue: excluded by direct searches for heavy Higgs bosons,
- hashed: excluded by SM-like Higgs signal strengths / mass.

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Benchmark scenarios for the low $\tan \beta$ region

[HB, Liebler, Stefaniak, 1901.05933]

In scenarios with $M_{\rm SUSY}\sim 1.5$ TeV, region of $\tan\beta\lesssim 8$ excluded, since mass $M_h<125\pm 3$ GeV:

 $M_{h,\text{tree}} \stackrel{t_{\beta} \to 1}{\longrightarrow} 0 \Rightarrow \text{need to raise } M_{\text{SUSY}} \text{ to push } M_{h} \text{ upwards.}$

Concept

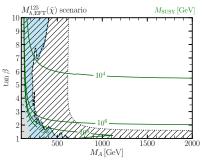
Take existing scenarios and raise $M_{\rm SUSY}$ at every point such that $M_h \sim 125$ GeV (upper limit: $M_{\rm SUSY} \leq 10^{16}$ GeV).

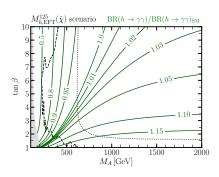
- \rightarrow large hierarchy between M_A and M_{SUSY}
- ightarrow using THDM as EFT crucial.

Two low-tan β benchmark scenarios:

- ► $M_{h,\text{EFT}}^{125}$ scenario resembling M_h^{125} scenario,
- ▶ $M_{h,\text{EFT}}^{125}(\tilde{\chi})$ scenario resembling $M_h^{125}(\tilde{\chi})$ scenario.

$M_{h,\text{EFT}}^{125}(\tilde{\chi})$ scenario

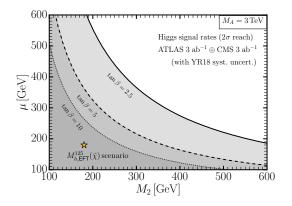




- ▶ Gray: $M_h < 122$ GeV,
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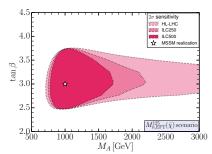
HL-LHC projections – $M_{h,\text{EFT}}^{125}(\chi)$ scenario

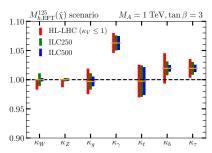
[HB, Bechtle, Heinemeyer, Liebler, Stefaniak, Weiglein, 2005.14536]



► Assumption: discovered Higgs has SM-like couplings.

What if $M_{h,\text{EFT}}^{125}(\tilde{\chi})$ scenario is realized in nature?





Assumption: discovered Higgs has couplings as predicted for $M_A = 1$ TeV and $\tan \beta = 3$.

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