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Potential of the HL-LHC to probe light fermiophobic Higgs boson signals via diphoton jets

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Search for new physics in the τ lepton plus missing transverse momentum final state in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

The CMS Collaboration

Abstract

A search for physics beyond the standard model (SM) in the final state with a hadronically decaying tau lepton and a neutrino is presented. This analysis is based on data recorded by the CMS experiment from proton-proton collisions at a center-ofmass energy of 13 TeV at the LHC, corresponding to a total integrated luminosity of 138 fb⁻¹. The transverse mass spectrum is analyzed for the presence of new physics. No significant deviation from the SM prediction is observed. Limits are set on the production cross section of a W' boson decaying into a tau lepton and a neutrino.

Too early to give up! Let's check every loophole.

What if the NP signal is hidden in the shadow under the lamp?

We have been missing the signal.



Two explanations

1. The new particle is generically elusive at the LHC.



2. We did not search the right place.



A new particle which satisfies two conditions:

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- 2. Jet subparticles and pileups
- 3. Cut-based analysis
- 4. Mass reconstructions
- 5. Machine Learning Techniques
- 6. Conclusions

1. Very light fermiophobic Higgs boson in Type-I 2HDM

• Two Higgs doublet fields

$$\Phi_i = \begin{pmatrix} w_i^+ \\ \frac{v_i + h_i + i\eta_i}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

where $v = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2} = 246 \text{ GeV}.$

• Discrete Z₂ symmetry to avoid tree-level FCNC

$$\Phi_1 \to \Phi_1, \quad \Phi_2 \to -\Phi_1$$

• SM Higgs boson: a linear combination of 2 CP-even Higgs bosons

$$h_{\rm SM} = s_{\beta-\alpha}h + c_{\beta-\alpha}H.$$

Two setups in Type-I

1. Inverted Higgs scenario

2. Fermiophobic light CP-even Higgs boson

fermiophobic type-I:
$$M_H = 125 \text{ GeV}, \quad \alpha = \pi/2.$$

 $\xi_f^h = \frac{c_{\alpha}}{s_{\beta}}, \quad \kappa_f^H = \frac{s_{\alpha}}{s_{\beta}}, \quad \xi_t^A = -\xi_b^A = -\xi_\tau^A = \frac{1}{t_{\beta}}.$
 h_f : fermiophobic Higgs boson



Why is h_f elusive? Production is suppressed.





Gluon fusion productions are prohibited!



VBF is also prohibited!





What about the decay modes? Are we really searching the wrong place?

We need to obtain the viable parameter space.



- (1) Theoretical stabilities
 - Scalar potential bounded from below
 - Perturbative unitarity of scalar-scalar scattering at tree level
 - Vacuum stability
 - cutoff scale > 10 TeV
- (2) Experimental constraints
 - B physics
 - Higgs precision data via HiggsSignals
 - Direct search bounds at the LEP, Tevatron, and LHC via HiggsBounds

Why imposing cutoff scale > 10 TeV? Scalar quartic couplings run fast under RGEs!



• Quartic couplings can be very large at high energy scale.







Focusing on the light fermion phobic Higgs boson, Let's scan the parameter space.

 $m_{h_{\rm f}} \in [1, 30] \text{ GeV}, \quad M_{A/H^{\pm}} \in [80, 900] \text{ GeV},$ $t_{\beta} \in [0.5, 50], \quad m_{12}^2 \in [0, 20000] \text{ GeV}^2.$

Viable parameter space



- Charge Higgs boson and A masses below about 330 GeV.
- Survival rate is high for m_{h_f} in [1,10] GeV.

Very light fermion phobic Higgs boson. $m_{h_{\rm f}} \in [1, 10] \text{ GeV}.$

Almost fixed decay modes

 $\operatorname{Br}(h_{\mathrm{f}} \to \gamma \gamma) \simeq 100\%$

Almost fixed decay modes for H^{\pm}, A



Golden discovery mode at the HL-LHC



Sizable cross sections



Why we are missing?



Light mass in [1,10] GeV

- Highly collimated two photons
- ➡ Failing photon isolation!



Two collimated photons are tagged as a jet



The signal appears as two jets!



Huge QCD backgrounds!!

Background	Cross section [pb]	$n_{\rm gen}$	Background	Cross section [pb]	$n_{ m gen}$
$W^{\pm}(\to L^{\pm}\nu)jj$	3.54×10^3	5×10^8	$W^{\pm}Z$	3.16×10	3×10^6
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We need to look inside the jets!

2. Jet subparticles and pileups



A jet consists of many subparticles

Subparticle information from Delphes: p_T , η , ϕ + EFlow object (from calorimeter information)



	With track	Without track	
ECAL	Electron	EFlowPhoton	
HCAL	EFlowChargedHadron	EFlowNeutralHadron	

The signal jet should consist of two photons! Diphoton jet

BUT

Big obstacle!


200 Pileups at the HL-LHC



200 Pileups at the HL-LHC could blur the diphoton jet.



Pileup subtraction is crucial.

Pileup subtraction is important. Hybrid method: CHS + SoftKiller₀

- Charged Hadron Subtraction (CHS) removes charged pileup particles
- SoftKiller removes neutral pileup particles

Jet images to demonstrate the superiority of CHS+SK0



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Jet images to demonstrate the superior of CHS+SK0 **EFlowNeutralHadron**



Jet images to demonstrate the superior of CHS+SK0 CHS+SK0 mimics zero pileup jet images



3. Cut-based analysis

BP no.	$m_{h_{\mathrm{f}}}$	$M_{A/H^{\pm}}$	$s_{eta-lpha}$	$m_{12}^2 \; [\mathrm{GeV^2}]$	t_{eta}
BP-1		$150 { m ~GeV}$	-0.123	0.0786	8.06
BP-2		$175~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0909	0.0400	11.0
BP-3	1 CeV	$200~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0929	0.0813	10.7
BP-4	1 Gev	$250~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0941	0.0494	10.6
BP-5		$300~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0985	0.0237	10.1
BP-6		$331~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0974	0.0634	10.2
BP-7		$150~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0737	0.305	13.5
BP-8		$175~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0922	2.20	10.8
BP-9	5 CoV	$200~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0983	1.93	10.1
BP-10	JGev	$250~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0907	1.99	11.0
BP-11		$300~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0984	1.84	10.1
BP-12		$331~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0920	2.17	10.8
BP-13		$150~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0748	1.17	13.3
BP-14		$175~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0993	1.70	10.0
BP-15		$200~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0919	0.973	10.8
BP-16		$250~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0974	0.851	10.2
BP-17		$300~{\rm GeV}$	-0.0917	0.0396	10.9
BP-18		$328.3~{ m GeV}$	-0.0979	1.15	10.2

First characteristics of the signal

• For the signal jets, the leading and subleading sub-article are EFlowPhotons.

Mistagging rate is only a few percent.

Second characteristics of the signal

• p_T of two leading subparticles $\simeq p_T$ of the mother jet

Significance w/ 10% uncertainty

Cross sections in units of fb at the 14 TeV LHC with $\mathcal{L}_{tot} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$							
Cut	BP-7	$W^{\pm}jj$	Zjj	$t\overline{t}$	$W^{\pm}j\gamma$	$\mathcal{S}^{10\%}_{\mathrm{BP-7}}$	
Basic	34.8	372622	27727	32052	3047	1.09×10^{-3}	
$E_T^{\rm miss} > 50 { m ~GeV}$	29.7	318 407	23274	27395	2610	9.01×10^{-4}	
$r_{11} > 0.50$	24.9	102 182	7843	4150	1 214	2.15×10^{-3}	
$r_{12} > 0.50$	18.7	36 204	2853	692	541	4.56×10^{-3}	
$r_{21} > 0.25$	7.06	4 218	323	62.2	55.8	1.49×10^{-2}	
$r_{22} > 0.25$	2.40	840	61.3	8.61	10.1	2.56×10^{-2}	
$J_1 \to J_{\gamma\gamma}$	2.29	18.6	2.31	0.205	0.467	1.01	
$J_2 \to J_{\gamma\gamma}$	1.98	0.363	0.0589	0.00	0.00849	22.8	

Significances for all 18 benchmark points

Results in the cut-based analysis at the 14 TeV LHC with $\mathcal{L}_{tot} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$								
	$\sigma_{\text{final}} \text{ [fb]}$	$\mathcal{S}^{10\%}$		$\sigma_{\rm final} \; [{\rm fb}]$	$\mathcal{S}^{10\%}$		$\sigma_{\rm final} \; [{\rm fb}]$	$\mathcal{S}^{10\%}$
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BP-2	1.19	16.1	BP-8	1.68	20.4	BP-14	1.56	19.4
BP-3	0.927	13.4	BP-9	1.37	17.7	BP-15	1.29	17.1
BP-4	0.529	8.71	BP-10	0.900	13.0	BP-16	0.857	12.7
BP-5	0.303	5.49	BP-11	0.582	9.40	BP-17	0.566	9.19
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Most have more than 5σ

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Still challenging!

4. Mass reconstruction

Although we could observe two diphoton signals with 5σ , can we tell its origin?

Another big obstacle!

Only 51 events

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Only 4 events

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No reliable distribution for the backgrounds

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Infeasible to enhance the event generation!

Weighting Factor Method

Some terminologies

- N : the expected number of events
- n: the number of generated events
- $E_{\it cut}$: the set of events satisfying "cut"

$$n_{\rm cut} \equiv \# E_{\rm cut}.$$

Cut-based analysis

Either 0 or 1

Cut-based analysis

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Weighting Factor Method

$$\sigma_{\text{final}}^{\text{WFM}} = \sum_{e \in E_{r_{22}}} P_e(j_1 \to J_{\gamma\gamma}) P_e(j_2 \to J_{\gamma\gamma}) \times \frac{\sigma_{\text{tot}}}{n_{\text{gen}}}.$$

Continuous nature of weighting factor

Invariant mass of two leading subparticles

Well-separated resonance peak around m_{h_f}

Transverse mass for H^\pm

final selection

5. Machine Learning Techniques to enhance the significances

Heavy $M_{H^{\pm}}$: low significances

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1D CNN

Subparticle features: For 2 jets, 10 leading subparticles

 p_T, η, ϕ

30×2

size 3, 1, padding 1

size 3, stride 1, ng 1 + ReLU

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size 3, stride 1, ng 1 + ReLU

MLP1

Events features:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_{\text{event}} = & \left[p_{T}^{J_{1}}, \eta_{J_{1}}, \phi_{J_{1}}, m_{J_{1}}, p_{T}^{J_{2}}, \eta_{J_{2}}, \phi_{J_{2}}, \right. \\ & m_{J_{2}}, p_{T}^{\ell}, \eta_{\ell}, \phi_{\ell}, E_{T}^{\text{miss}}, \phi_{\vec{E}_{T}^{\text{miss}}}, \\ & \Delta R_{J_{1}J_{2}}, \Delta R_{J_{1}\ell}, \Delta R_{J_{2}\ell}, \Delta R_{J_{1}\vec{E}_{T}^{\text{miss}}}, \\ & \Delta R_{J_{2}\vec{E}_{T}^{\text{miss}}}, \Delta R_{\ell\vec{E}_{T}^{\text{miss}}}, M_{T}^{J_{1}}, M_{T}^{J_{2}} \right], \end{aligned}$$

Impressive enhancement

$$x_{\text{cut}} = 0.5: \qquad \mathcal{S}_{\text{BP-6}}^{10\%} = 9.0, \quad \mathcal{S}_{\text{BP-12}}^{10\%} = 15.4, \quad \mathcal{S}_{\text{BP-18}}^{10\%} = 15.0;$$

$$x_{\text{cut}} = 0.9: \qquad \mathcal{S}_{\text{BP-6}}^{10\%} = 18.9, \quad \mathcal{S}_{\text{BP-12}}^{10\%} = 33.2, \quad \mathcal{S}_{\text{BP-18}}^{10\%} = 32.4.$$
6. Conclusions

- The very light fermiophobic Higgs boson in type-I 2HDM yields a jet consisting of two photons.
- HL-LHC has a high discovery potential to the very light fermiophobic Higgs boson via probing diphoton jets.
- Mass reconstructions can identify the origin of exotic diphoton jet signals.