

An alternative explanation of the Multi-lepton anomalies at the LHC

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# Multi-lepton anomalies at the LHC

#### References:

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#### Multi-lepton anomalies at the LHC

 The starting point is a boson H, m<sub>H</sub>~250GeV-280GeV decaying to two scalars S
 We used a 2HDM+S as a simplified model for this

#### 2HDM+S potential

$$\mathcal{V}(\Phi_{1}, \Phi_{2}) + \frac{1}{2}m_{S_{0}}^{2}S^{2} + \frac{\lambda_{S_{1}}}{2}\Phi_{1}^{\dagger}\Phi_{1}S^{2} + \frac{\lambda_{S_{2}}}{2}\Phi_{2}^{\dagger}\Phi_{2}S^{2} + \frac{\lambda_{S_{3}}}{4}(\Phi_{1}^{\dagger}\Phi_{2} + h.c)S^{2} + \frac{\lambda_{S_{4}}}{4!}S^{4} + \mu_{1}\Phi_{1}^{\dagger}\Phi_{1}S + \mu_{2}\Phi_{2}^{\dagger}\Phi_{2}S + \mu_{3}\left[\Phi_{1}^{\dagger}\Phi_{2} + h.c\right]S + \mu_{S}S^{3}.$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{HhS} = -\frac{1}{2} v \left[ \lambda_{hhS} hhS + \lambda_{hSS} hSS + \lambda_{HHS} HHS \right],$$

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#### Multi-lepton anomalies at the LHC

- The multi-lepton anomalies are explained by the production of  $H \rightarrow$ SS where H and S are new scalar bosons.
- Data consistent with new bosons: one with a mass around  $m_H = 270$  GeV and another around  $m_S = 150$  GeV GeV.
- The combined results correspond to a  $8.04\sigma$  significance.



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#### Di-lepton invariant mass distributions

- The di-lepton invariant mass is sensitive to the mass of S.We see that excesses at low di-lepton invariant masses remain prevalent which indicate that effects seen in Run I were not statistical fluctuations.
- □ Using  $S \rightarrow WW$ , it was predicted in 2017 that the mass of S, through the production mechanism  $S \rightarrow$  $WW \rightarrow ll$  is  $m_S = 150 \pm 5$  GeV (refer to J.Phys.G 45 (2018) 11, 115003)



Residual discrepancies at high  $m_{ll}$  will be fixed with missing NLO QCD and NLO EW corrections.

#### Anatomy of the multi-lepton anomalies

Final state	Characteristic	Dominant SM process	Significance
l⁺l <sup>.</sup> + jets, b-jets	m <sub>il</sub> <100 GeV, dominated by 0b- jet and 1b-jet	tt+Wt	>5σ
l <sup>+l-</sup> + full-jet veto	m <sub>ii</sub> <100 GeV	ww	~3σ
l±l± & l±l±l + b- jets	Moderate H <sub>T</sub>	ttW, 4t	>3σ
l⁺l⁺ & l⁺l⁺l et al., no b-jets	In association with h	Wh, (WWW)	4.2σ
Z(→I⁺I⁻)+I	р <sub>тz</sub> <100 GeV	ZW	>3σ



Anomalies cannot be explained by mismodelling of a particular process, e.g.  $t\tilde{t}$  production.

# Singlet Scalar at 151.5 GeV

References:

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### Procedure

- Setting a well-defined procedure is essential to the integrity of a search. Performing a scan nullifies significance.
- $\Box$  From the di-lepton anomalies:  $m_h < m_S < 170$  GeV.
- $\Box$  We focus on  $\gamma\gamma$  and  $Z\gamma$  decay channels.
- As per the model that described the multi-lepton anomalies, we select final state according to di-boson signatures. S is produced via the decay of something heavier and not directly. In this setup:
- Re-use side bands of SM Higgs analysis
- Remove VBF and boosted topologies that are related to direct production.
- □ From Run I, multi-lepton excesses model-dependent predictions of  $m_S = 150 \pm 5$  GeV.



#### Candidate of a singlet Scalar



- New boson with a mass of 150 GeV
- □ Use  $\gamma\gamma$  and  $Z\gamma$  spectra in associated production that showed an excess at  $m_S =$ 151 GeV
- The result is obtained with public results from the LHC experiments.
- Using a simplified model and two degrees of freedom and residual LEE, the global significance drops to 3.9σ at 151.5 GeV.



# Di-lepton+MET

References: ➤ arXiv:2206.09466

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# Di-lepton+MET

- □ CMS recently released an analysis in the *W* boson pair decay channel in *pp* collisions.
- □ The results showed an excess at 150 GeV for the  $h \rightarrow WW \rightarrow ll + MET$  category.
- □ Using the 2HDM+S model, an analysis was done where  $H \rightarrow SS^*$ , with  $S \rightarrow WW \rightarrow ll + MET$ . In this model, S does not couple to SM particle the way a higgs-like particle does.
- □ In this simplified model, the mass of S is fixed at  $m_{\rm S} = 151$  GeV.



# Di-lepton+MET

- □ A global significance of ~2.7 $\sigma$  (preliminary) has been achieved. The extracted BSM signal strength is consistent with the simplified model described above within statistical errors
- □ The analysis of ATLAS data is ongoing.
- □ Results point at somewhat higher jet-veto survival probability compared to the simplified model. This will be taken into account when performing combination with  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $Z\gamma$  results described above.
- □ However, it predicts  $S \rightarrow ZZ$  which is not observed.
- □ Therefore, we look at a triplet model where  $H^0$  can only decay to WW and not ZZ.





# Introduction to the Higgs. Triplet Model

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- Eur. Phys. J. C (2018) 78:873
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#### Introduction to the Higgs Triplet Model

- □ The Higgs Triplet Model is an extension of the Standard Model (SM), by an SU(2) Higgs Triplet
- □ It contains a neutral CP and two charged Higgs bosons H<sup>±</sup>.
- $\Box$  The neutral component cannot decay to the *ZZ*.
- □ Therefore, we obtain a scalar that decays to *WW* but not *ZZ* at tree-level, solving the problem of the 2HDMS



- $\Delta$  is a SU(2)<sub>L</sub> triplet with hypercharge Y<sub> $\Delta$ </sub> = 0.
- The most general gauge invariant and renormalizable  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  Lagrangian of the scalar sector is given by

$$\mathcal{L} = (D_{\mu}H)^{\dagger}(D^{\mu}H) + Tr(D_{\mu}\Delta)^{\dagger}(D^{\mu}\Delta) - V(H,\Delta) + \mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}}$$

where

• The covariant derivatives are defined as

$$D_{\mu}H = \partial_{\mu}H + igT^{\alpha}W_{\mu}^{\alpha}H + i\frac{g'}{2}B_{\mu}H$$
$$D_{\mu}\Delta = \partial_{\mu}\Delta + ig[T^{\alpha}W_{\mu}^{\alpha},\Delta]$$

• The potential  $V(H, \Delta)$  can be expressed as

$$V(H,\Delta) = -m_H^2 H^{\dagger} H + \frac{\lambda}{4} \left(H^{\dagger} H\right)^2 - M_{\Delta}^2 Tr(\Delta^{\dagger} \Delta) + \mu H^{\dagger} \Delta H$$
$$+ \lambda_1 (H^{\dagger} H) Tr(\Delta^{\dagger} \Delta) + \lambda_2 (Tr\Delta^{\dagger} \Delta)^2 + \lambda_3 Tr(\Delta^{\dagger} \Delta)^2 + \lambda_4 H^{\dagger} \Delta^{\dagger} \Delta H$$

#### Processes

#### $\Box$ Process 1:

*i.*  $pp \rightarrow H^+H^-/Z j, (hpm \rightarrow W\gamma)$ *ii.*  $pp \rightarrow H^+H^-/\gamma j, (hpm \rightarrow WZ)$ 

#### $\Box$ Process 2:

*i.*  $pp \rightarrow H^-H^0$ ,  $(H^- \rightarrow WZ, W\gamma, H^0W), (H^0 \rightarrow WW)$ *ii.*  $pp \rightarrow H^+H^0$ ,  $(H^+ \rightarrow WZ, W\gamma, H^0W), (H^0 \rightarrow WW)$ 





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#### Branching ratio and cross-sections

□ Branching ratio for the  $H^+$  →  $W\gamma, WZ$  and  $H^0W$  decay channels. □  $m_{H^0} = 150$  GeV.





□ The cross-sections for  $pp \rightarrow$  $H^+H^-$  and  $pp \rightarrow H^{\pm}H^0$  decay channels.

### Conclusions

□ The deviations in the multi-lepton final states at the LHC with respect to Monte Carlo simulations are not statistical fluctuations.

- □ The features of Higgs data from the LHC agree with predictions made from the BSM models used.
- □ Excesses appear in ll + MET Higgs Transverse mass spectrums. However, the BSM used here does not explain  $S \rightarrow ZZ$  directly.
- □ This motivates us to use a Triplet model where we obtain a scalar that couples to *WW* but not *ZZ* at tree-level.





# Thank you!



# Additional slides



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- The L<sub>Yukawa</sub> contains all the Yukawa sector of the SM plus an extra Yukawa term that leads after spontaneous symmetry breaking to (Majorana) mass terms for the neutrinos, without requiring right-handed neutrino states.
- The two Higgs multiplets are written as

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \delta^0 & \sqrt{2} \, \delta^+ \\ \sqrt{2} \, \delta^- & -\delta^0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad H = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(5)

• In this setup, we define the electric charge as  $Q = I_3 + \frac{Y}{2}$ , where I denotes the isospin.

 Assuming that spontaneous electroweak symmetry breaking (EWSB) is taking place at some electrically neutral point in the field space and denoting the corresponding vacuum expectation values (VEVs) by

$$\langle \Delta \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} v_t & 0\\ 0 & -v_t \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \langle H \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ v_d/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

• We see that after the minimisation of the potential, we require the following conditions:

$$M_{\Delta}^{2} = \frac{\lambda_{a}}{2} v_{d}^{2} - \frac{\mu v_{d}^{2}}{4 v_{t}} + \lambda_{b} v_{t}^{2}$$
(6)  
$$m_{H}^{2} = \frac{\lambda}{4} v_{d}^{2} - \frac{\mu v_{t}}{2} + \frac{\lambda_{a}}{2} v_{t}^{2}$$
(7)

• These two conditions are used to construct the squared matrices  $\mathcal{M}^2_{\pm}$  and  $\mathcal{M}^2_{CP_{even}}$ . The mass-matrix for a singly charged field is

$$\mathcal{M}_{\pm}^2 = \mu \begin{pmatrix} v_t & v_d/2 \\ v_d/2 & v_d^2/4v_t \end{pmatrix}$$

• Among the two eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{M}^2_{\pm}$ , one is equal to zero, identifying the Goldstone boson  $G^{\pm}$ , while the other one corresponds to the mass of a singly charged Higgs bosons  $H^{\pm}$  given by

$$m_{H^{\pm}}^{2} = \frac{(v_{d}^{2} + 4v_{t}^{2})}{4v_{t}}\mu$$
(8)

• The neutral scalar's mass-matrix reads:

$$\mathcal{M}_{CP_{even}}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B & C \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$A = \frac{\lambda}{2} v_d^2, \qquad B = \frac{v_d [-\mu + 2\lambda_a v_t]}{2\sqrt{2}}, \qquad C = \frac{\mu v_d^2 + 8\lambda_b v_t^3}{8v_t}$$
(9)

• We can diagonalise  $\mathcal{M}^2_{CP_{even}}$  by a rotation matrix  $R_{\alpha}$  where  $\alpha$  is the rotation angle in the CP-even sector. After diagonalising  $\mathcal{M}^2_{CP_{even}}$ , we get two massive even-parity physical states  $h^0$  and  $H^0$  that are defined by,

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• Once the eigenmasses for the CP-even are known, we can determine the rotation angle  $\alpha$  which controls the field content of the physical states. Therefore, we have

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(12)  
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(13)  
$$A = c_{\alpha}^{2} m_{h^{0}}^{2} + s_{\alpha}^{2} m_{H^{0}}^{2}$$
(14)

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