

Detecting symmetries in 3HDM in any basis

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3HDM

What's new in 3HDM compared to 2HDM:

- richer pheno (both scalar and fermion sectors);
- combining nice features of 2HDM, e.g. NFC + CPV [Weinberg, 1976; Branco, 1979], scalar DM + CPV [Grzadkowski et al, 2009];
- new options for CP violation, e.g. geometrical CPV [Branco, Gerard, Grimus, 1984],
- CP symmetry of order 4 (CP4) [Ivanov, Silva, 2015]:
 - mass degeneracy, CP eigenstates beyond CP -even/odd [Ivanov, Silva, 2015; Haber et al, 2018];
 - DM stabilized by CP4: [Koepke, 2018; Ivanov, Laletin, 2018];
 - quark/neutrino patterns from CP4: [Ferreira et al, 2017; Ivanov, 2018];
 - solution to strong CP problem: [Cherchiglia, Nishi, 2019].
- symmetries, lots of symmetries in the 3HDM scalar sector!

Symmetries in 3HDM

Particular examples of 3HDMs with symmetries begin in 1970's;
full classification only recently.

- abelian groups: [Ferreira, Silva, 1012.2874; Ivanov, Keus, Vdovin, 1112.1660]

$$\mathbb{Z}_2, \quad \mathbb{Z}_3, \quad \mathbb{Z}_4, \quad \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2, \quad U(1), \quad U(1) \times \mathbb{Z}_2, \quad U(1) \times U(1).$$

- discrete non-abelian groups: [Ivanov, Vdovin, 1210.6553]

$$S_3, \quad D_4, \quad A_4, \quad S_4, \quad \Delta(54), \quad \Sigma(36).$$

- symmetry breaking patterns $G \rightarrow G_V$: [Ivanov, Nishi, 1410.6139]
- interplay between G and CP [many classical works].

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Proximity to a symmetric 3HDM

For large G :

- imposing an **exact** $G \rightarrow$ some observables $= 0$;
- a 3HDM in the **vicinity**, ϵ , of an exact $G \rightarrow$ observables depend as ϵ^α .
- a 3HDM can be close to several distinct symmetric situations \rightarrow **competing symmetries**.

Challenge

When scanning the 3HDM parameter space,
one must detect (proximity to) **a G -symmetric situations**.

Basis-invariant methods

Large freedom of basis changes: $\phi_a \mapsto U_{ab}\phi_b$, $U \in U(N)$.

Physics does not change upon basis changes!

A symmetry can be evident in one basis and hidden in another \rightarrow challenge!

The goal

Detecting structural properties of NHDMs irrespective of the basis choice!

General recipe [Botella, Silva, 1995]:

- write down all couplings as tensors under basis changes,
- take their product and contract all indices \rightarrow basis invariants J_k ,
- find algebraically independent J_k ,
- link them to the phenomenon you study.

Explicit CP conservation in 2HDM scalar sector

The most general 2HDM potential:

$$V = Y_{ab}(\phi_a^\dagger \phi_b) + Z_{ab,cd}(\phi_a^\dagger \phi_b)(\phi_c^\dagger \phi_d),$$

or, in the explicit form,

$$\begin{aligned} V = & -\frac{1}{2} \left[m_{11}^2(\phi_1^\dagger \phi_1) + m_{22}^2(\phi_2^\dagger \phi_2) + m_{12}^2(\phi_1^\dagger \phi_2) + m_{12}^{2*}(\phi_2^\dagger \phi_1) \right] \\ & + \frac{\lambda_1}{2}(\phi_1^\dagger \phi_1)^2 + \frac{\lambda_2}{2}(\phi_2^\dagger \phi_2)^2 + \lambda_3(\phi_1^\dagger \phi_1)(\phi_2^\dagger \phi_2) + \lambda_4(\phi_1^\dagger \phi_2)(\phi_2^\dagger \phi_1) \\ & + \left[\frac{1}{2}\lambda_5(\phi_1^\dagger \phi_2)^2 + \lambda_6(\phi_1^\dagger \phi_1)(\phi_1^\dagger \phi_2) + \lambda_7(\phi_2^\dagger \phi_2)(\phi_1^\dagger \phi_2) + \text{h.c.} \right] \end{aligned}$$

It contains $4 + 10 = 14$ free parameters.

General 2HDM scalar sector

Checking **explicit CP-conservation** [Davidson, Haber, 2005; Gunion, Haber, 2005; Branco, Rebelo, Silva-Marcos, 2005]:

- There exists of a basis with **all coefs real** \rightarrow symmetry $\phi_a \rightarrow \phi_a^*$.
- Construct invariants with Y_{ab} and $Z_{ab,cd}$ and establish independent ones;
- Basis-invariant criterion: check the following **four invariants**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im}(Z_{ac}^{(1)} Z_{eb}^{(1)} Z_{be,cd} Y_{da}) &= 0, & \text{Im}(Y_{ab} Y_{cd} Z_{ba,df} Z_{fc}^{(1)}) &= 0, \\ \text{Im}(Z_{ab,cd} Z_{bf}^{(1)} Z_{dh}^{(1)} Z_{fa,jk} Z_{kj,mn} Z_{nm,hc}) &= 0, \\ \text{Im}(Z_{ac,bd} Z_{ce,dg} Z_{eh,fq} Y_{ga} Y_{hb} Y_{qf}) &= 0, & \text{where } Z_{ac}^{(1)} &\equiv Z_{ab,bc}. \end{aligned}$$

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Drawbacks:

- non-intuitive, relies on computer algebra; one needs to find the **generating set** of the ring of symmetry-related invariants;
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Bilinears in 3HDM

Geometric constructions in the adjoint space [Nachtmann et al, 2004–2007; Ivanov, 2006–2007; Nishi, 2006–2008]. V is built of 9 bilinears $\phi_a^\dagger \phi_b$.

$$r_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \phi_a^\dagger \phi_a, \quad r_i = \phi_a^\dagger (t^i)_{ab} \phi_b, \quad i = 1, \dots, 8,$$

where $t_i = \lambda_i/2$ are $SU(3)$ generators satisfying

$$[t_i, t_j] = if_{ijk} t_k, \quad \{t_i, t_j\} = \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} \mathbf{1}_3 + d_{ijk} t_k.$$

The orbit space:

$$r_0 \geq 0, \quad r_0^2 - r_i^2 \geq 0, \quad \sqrt{3} d_{ijk} r_i r_j r_k + (r_0^2 - 3r_i^2) r_0 / 2 = 0.$$

Basis changes \rightarrow $SO(8)$ rotations of r_i .

$SU(3) \subset SO(8) \Rightarrow$ not all $SO(8)$ rotations are basis changes!

Adjoint space

The NHDM potential takes the simple form

$$V = -M_0 r_0 - M_i r_i + \Lambda_{00} r_0^2 + L_i r_0 r_i + \Lambda_{ij} r_i r_j,$$

with vectors $M, L \in \mathbb{R}^{N^2-1}$ and an $(N^2 - 1) \times (N^2 - 1)$ matrix Λ .

In 2HDM: 3×3 matrix Λ can be always diagonalized by basis change.



Orientation of M and L with respect to **eigenvectors of Λ**
 \Rightarrow immediate connection to **symmetries**.

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- directions in \mathbb{R}^8 are **not equivalent!**
- Λ is **not** in general diagonalizable by a basis change.

We need to make sense of the **adjoint space**.

The toolbox

Suppose vectors $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^8$. Define new products:

$$F_i^{(ab)} \equiv f_{ijk} a_j b_k, \quad D_i^{(ab)} \equiv \sqrt{3} d_{ijk} a_j b_k, \quad D_i^{(aa)} \equiv \sqrt{3} d_{ijk} a_j a_k.$$

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Detecting special subspaces

- **Check-(8)**. Consider $a \in \mathbb{R}^8$, $|a| = 1$. Compute vector $D^{(aa)}$.

If $D^{(aa)} = -a$, then there is a basis in which a is along x_8 .

If an eigenvector of Λ passes Check-(8), then in this basis

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Detecting further splitting of Λ

Check-(12)(45)(67)

Suppose Λ passes Check-(38). Then, in a certain basis, it has a generic 6×6 block within the subspace

$$V_6 = (x_1, x_2; x_4, x_5; x_6, x_7).$$

Take 6 eigenvectors from this subspace. If they break into three pairs such that each pair of eigenvectors a', b' satisfies

$$D^{(a'b')} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad D^{(a'a')} = D^{(b'b')} \in (x_3, x_8),$$

then Λ splits into four 2×2 blocks within subspaces

$$(x_3, x_8), \quad (x_1, x_2), \quad (x_4, x_5), \quad (x_6, x_7).$$

Detecting special subspaces

- Such Checks give **necessary and sufficient conditions** for the corresponding features to occur.
- They can be performed **in any basis** and can be automatized.
- One just needs to relate them to symmetries.

Symmetries in 3HDM

The NHDM potential

$$V = Y_{ab}(\phi_a^\dagger \phi_b) + Z_{ab,cd}(\phi_a^\dagger \phi_b)(\phi_c^\dagger \phi_d)$$

can be invariant under global symmetries:

- family symmetries: $\phi_a \rightarrow U_{ab}\phi_b$, with $U \in U(N)$,
- GCP symmetries: $\phi_i \xrightarrow{CP} X_{ij}\phi_j^*$, with $X \in U(N)$.

A symmetry group G and its breaking by vevs $G_v \subseteq G$ lead to a characteristic phenomenology (scalars, DM candidates, fermion masses, mixing, sources of CPV, etc).

In 3HDM, a novel form of CP -symmetry (**CP4**) [Ivanov, Silva, 1512.09276] which is physically distinct from the usual CP (**CP2**) [Haber, OGREID, OSLAND, REBELO, 1808.08629].

Explicit CP2 conservation

CP2: there exists a basis in which it takes the standard form: $\phi_a \rightarrow \phi_a^*$.

In the adjoint space, the standard CP is the following reflection:

- vectors from $V_+ = (x_3, x_8, x_1, x_4, x_6)$ stay unchanged,
- vectors from $V_- = (x_2, x_5, x_7)$ flip signs.

3HDM potential is **explicitly CP2-invariant** if there exists a basis in which:

- Λ has the block-diagonal form:

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \square_{5 \times 5} & 0 \\ 0 & \square_{3 \times 3} \end{pmatrix}$$

with generic blocks within V_+ and V_- .

- vectors $M, L \in V_+$,

Detecting explicit CP2 conservation

Detecting $\square_{3 \times 3}$ in (x_2, x_5, x_7) :

- There exist three mutually orthogonal eigenvectors a, b, c such that

$$2F^{(ab)} = c, \quad 2F^{(bc)} = a, \quad 2F^{(ca)} = b.$$

- vectors M, L are orthogonal to these a, b, c .

Derived first in [\[Nishi, hep-ph/0605153\]](#).

Explicit CP4 conservation

CP4 leads in a certain basis in the bilinear space to

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_8 &\rightarrow x_8, & (x_1, x_2, x_3) &\rightarrow -(x_1, x_2, x_3) \\
 x_4 &\rightarrow x_6, & x_6 &\rightarrow -x_4, & x_5 &\rightarrow -x_7, & x_7 &\rightarrow x_5.
 \end{aligned}$$

3HDM potential is explicitly CP4-invariant iff there exists a basis in which

- the matrix Λ is

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{}_{3 \times 3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{}_{4 \times 4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \Lambda_{88} \end{pmatrix}$$

with a specific pattern in the 4×4 block,

- all possible vectors $M, L, (\Lambda^n)L, K_i \equiv d_{ijk}\Lambda_{jk}, \dots$ are all parallel to x_8 (**complete alignment**).

Detecting explicit CP4 conservation

Basis invariant necessary and sufficient conditions for explicit CP4 conservation [Ivanov, Nishi, Silva, Trautner, 1810.13396]:

- Λ passes Check-(8): there exists an eigenvector $e^{(8)}$ such that

$$D^{(88)} = -e^{(8)};$$

- There exist three other eigenvectors a, b, c such that

$$F^{(a8)} = F^{(b8)} = F^{(c8)} = 0,$$

which guarantees the 3×3 block within (x_1, x_2, x_3) subspace.

- $M, L, K_i = d_{ijk}\Lambda_{jk}$, and $K_i^{(2)} = d_{ijk}(\Lambda^2)_{jk}$ are aligned with $e^{(8)}$.

Weinberg's model

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- Λ passes [Check-\(38\)](#) and [Check-\(12\)\(45\)\(67\)](#);
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If, in addition, there are degenerate eigenvalues within V_6 :

- if the degeneracy pattern is $1 + 1 + 2 + 2 \rightarrow U(1) \times \mathbb{Z}_2$;
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Conclusions

Done:

- Efficient parameter space scans in multi-Higgs models must be able to **detect symmetries in a basis invariant way**.
- **We found a way** how to do it in the scalar sector of 3HDM: via subspace detection techniques applied to eigenvectors of Λ .

To do:

- Implement the algorithms in a working **computer code**.
- Go beyond 3HDM.
- Apply the idea to the **fermion sector**.