Higgs and the electroweak precision observables in the MRSSM

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We briefly review recent progress in the analysis of the Higgs sector of the Minimal R-symmetric Supersymmetric Standard Model. Importance of the interplay between W and Higgs boson masses in constraining the parameter space of the model is shown.
1. Introduction

In recent years non-minimal SUSY models have been gaining increasing attention. This is, on one hand, due to the discovery of a Higgs boson whose mass is close to the maximal one allowed in the MSSM, and to no discovery of SUSY particles during Run I of the LHC on the other. Proposed extensions vary greatly, from ‘simple’ ones, like NMSSM, to rich and complicated like $E_6$-MSSM and beyond. One of those models is MRSSM, which is a minimal supersymmetrized Standard Model preserving R-symmetry. It was proposed in [1], in the context of solving the flavor problem of the MSSM. Since the discovery of a Higgs boson by the ATLAS and CMS experiments at the LHC it became of interest if this model can accommodate it. First answer to this question was given in [2], followed by calculation of complete one-loop corrections to Higgs and W boson masses [3] and two-loop corrections in the effective potential approximation and gauge-less limit [4]. In this note we briefly review results presented in [3].

2. The MRSSM

Table 1 lists the particle content of the MRSSM, together with R-charge assignment for the superfields. With this assignment, R-symmetric superpotential reads

$$W = \mu_d \hat{R}_d \cdot \hat{H}_d + \mu_u \hat{R}_u \cdot \hat{H}_u + \Lambda_d \hat{R}_d \cdot \hat{T} \hat{H}_d + \Lambda_u \hat{R}_u \cdot \hat{T} \hat{H}_u$$

$$+ \lambda_u \hat{S} \hat{R}_d \cdot \hat{H}_d + \lambda_u \hat{S} \hat{R}_u \cdot \hat{H}_u - Y_d \hat{d} \hat{q} \cdot \hat{H}_d - Y_u \hat{u} \hat{d} \cdot \hat{H}_u,$$

where $\hat{H}_{u,d}$ are the MSSM-like Higgs weak iso-doublets, and $\hat{S}, \hat{T}, \hat{R}_{u,d}$ are the singlet, weak iso-triplet and $\hat{R}$-Higgs weak iso-doublets, respectively. The usual MSSM $\mu$-term is forbidden; instead the $\mu_{u,d}$-terms involving R-Higgs fields are allowed. The $\Lambda, \lambda$-terms are similar to the usual Yukawa terms, where the $\hat{R}$-Higgs and $\hat{S}$ or $\hat{T}$ play the role of the quark/lepton doublets and singlets.

Since Majorana masses for the gauginos are forbidden by the R-symmetry, appearance of gauge singlet, $SU(2)_L$ triplet and $SU(3)_C$ octet superfields $\hat{S}, \hat{T}$ and $\hat{O}$ is dictated by the need to write their Dirac mass terms of the form

$$V_D \equiv M_B^D B \hat{S} + M_W^D W^\alpha T^\alpha + M_O^D \hat{O}^\alpha + h.c.,$$

where $\hat{B}, \hat{W}$ and $\hat{g}$ are familiar MSSM Weyl fermions.

In the scalar sector, after the electroweak symmetry breaking, (neutral) scalar components of $\hat{H}_d, \hat{H}_u, \hat{S}$ and $\hat{T}$ acquire vev, which we parametrize as

$$H_u^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_u + \phi_u + i\sigma_u), \quad H_d^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_d + \phi_d + i\sigma_d),$$

$$T^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_T + \phi_T + i\sigma_T), \quad S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_S + \phi_S + i\sigma_S).$$

Since R-Higgs bosons carry R-charge 2 their vev would spontaneously break R-symmetry leading to a massless R-axion. Therefore we do not consider it here.

In the next section we will discuss $v_T$, which is strongly constrained by the measurement of the W boson mass.

CP-even components \{ $\phi_d, \phi_u, \phi_S, \phi_T$ \} mix giving rise to 4 physical Higgs boson. Due to the mixing, lightest Higgs mass is always lower than in the MSSM, requiring larger radiative corrections to reach the measured value. In sec. 4 we will show that this is indeed achievable in the MRSSM.
Higgs boson and EWPO in the MRSSM

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Field | Superfield | Boson | Fermion
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Gauge Vector | $\hat{g}, \hat{W}, \hat{B}$ | 0 | $\hat{g}, \hat{W}, \hat{B}$ | +1
Matter | $\hat{l}, \hat{e}$ | +1 | $\hat{l}, \hat{e}_R$ | +1
 | $\hat{\nu}, \hat{\nu}, \hat{\nu}$ | +1 | $\hat{\nu}, \hat{\nu}_R, \hat{\nu}_R$ | +1
$H$-Higgs | $\hat{H}_{d,u}$ | 0 | $\hat{H}_{d,u}$ | 0
 | $\hat{H}_{d,u}$ | 0 | $\hat{H}_{d,u}$ | 0
R-Higgs | $\hat{R}_{d,u}$ | +2 | $\hat{R}_{d,u}$ | +1
Adjoint Chiral | $\hat{O}, \hat{T}, \hat{S}$ | 0 | $\hat{O}, \hat{T}, \hat{S}$ | -1

Table 1: The R-charges of the superfields and the corresponding bosonic and fermionic components.

3. Precision EW observables

The vev $v_T$ of the $SU(2)_L$ triplet field $T^0$ in eq. 2.3 breaks the custodial symmetry already at the tree level shifting the $W$ boson mass by

$$m_W^2 = \frac{1}{4} g_2^2 v^2 + g_2^2 v_T^2,$$

(3.1)

where $v^2 \equiv v_u^2 + v_d^2$. Large $|v_T|$ is therefore excluded by measurement of $m_W = 80.385 \pm 0.015$ GeV [5]. Small $|v_T|$ corresponds, through tadpole equations, to large values of triplet soft-mass parameter $m_T^2$, leading to somewhat split spectrum with heaviest Higgs boson around few TeV for $|v_T|$ of few hundred MeV.

To approach experimental accuracy of 15 MeV for $m_W$ one has to include at least one-loop corrections which can be concise written in the DR scheme as (see ref. [6])

$$m_W^2 = \frac{1}{2} m_Z^2 \hat{\rho} \left[ 1 + \frac{4 \pi \hat{\alpha}}{\sqrt{2} G_{\mu} m_Z^2 \hat{\rho} (1 - \Delta \hat{r}_W) } \right],$$

(3.2)

where $\hat{\rho}$ contains only oblique while $\Delta \hat{r}_W$ both oblique and non-oblique corrections (see ref. [6] and [3] for the thorough discussion of this formula). Equation 3.2, although very useful for numerical evaluation of the contributions as it properly resums leading two-loop SM corrections [6], does not give direct insight into importance of different contributions due to implicit cancelations between $\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\rho}$ and $\hat{r}_W$.

Expanding eq. 3.2 and recasting it in terms of familiar $S,T$ and $U$ parameters [7–12] we get

$$m_W = m_W^{\text{ref}} + \frac{\hat{\alpha} m_Z \hat{c}_W}{2 (c_W^2 - s_W^2)} \left( \frac{S}{2} + \frac{c_W^2}{2} T + \frac{c_W^2 - s_W^2}{4 s_W^2} U \right),$$

(3.3)

where $m_W^{\text{ref}}$ is $W$ boson mass as calculated in the SM. Figure 1 shows result of this decomposition for one of the benchmark points of ref. [3]. We see that the full result (given by the black line) is well approximated by the sum of tree and one-loop contributions to the $T$-parameter. Importance of formula 3.3 comes from the fact that in many cases one can find relatively simple, concise expressions for the $T$-parameter. Also, $T$-parameter constraints not only $m_W$, but also other EW precision observables. For the benchmark points devised in [3], the total contributions to the $T$-parameter were always smaller than 0.1.
4. Higgs mass at one loop

As already pointed out, the lightest Higgs boson mass in the MRSSM suffers at the tree-level from reduction (compared to MSSM) due to mixing with singlet and triplet states. This can be seen from an approximate formula, when using the MSSM mixing angle \( \alpha \) to diagonalize \( \{ \phi_d, \phi_u \} \) submatrix for large \( m_2^2 \) when \( \alpha = \beta - \pi/2 \), further assuming \( \lambda = \lambda_u = -\lambda_d \), \( \Lambda = \Lambda_u = \Lambda_d \), \( \mu_u = \mu_d = \mu \) and \( v_S \approx v_T \approx 0 \), which reads

\[
m_{H_1,\text{approx}}^2 = m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta - v^2 \left( \frac{g_1 M_D^2}{4(M_D^2 + m_S^2)} + \frac{g_2 M_W^2 + \Lambda \mu}{4(M_W^2 + m_T^2)} \right) \cos^2 2\beta.
\]  

(4.1)

Beyond the tree-level the Higgs mass receives large corrections which push its value towards the measured one. This is achieved with stops of mass around 1 TeV and without L-R mixing in the squark sector which is forbidden by the R-symmetry. Figure 2 compares impact of full one-loop corrections with ones calculated in the effective potential approximation for 3 superpotential parameters: \( \Lambda_u, \Lambda_d \) and \( \lambda_u \). Large values of couplings \( \Lambda, \lambda \), needed to lift the mass of the lightest Higgs, could in principle cause conflict with W boson mass measurement. This is exemplified in fig. 3 where the mentioned interplay between \( m_h \) and \( m_W \) predictions for one selected pair of superpotential parameters is shown. We emphasize that the analysis of \( T \)-parameter contributions discussed in the previous section was done only in order to understand (approximate) functional dependence of \( m_W \) on the parameters of the model. All numerical calculations were done using eq. 3.2. As already pointed out in the abstract, it is clear from fig. 3 that W and Higgs boson masses give non-trivial constrains on the parameter space of the model. Nevertheless it is easy to identify regions in the parameter space which accommodate both measurements.

5. Conclusions

In this work we have reviewed recent progress in the analysis of the Minimal R-symmetric Supersymmetric Standard Model. We showed that the model can accommodate measured Higgs
Figure 2: Comparison of the lightest Higgs boson mass calculated using the effective potential approach (blue) and the full one-loop calculation (red), as well as the tree-level mass (magenta). Results are shown as functions of one of the couplings: \( \Lambda_u \) (solid), \( \Lambda_d \) (dots), \( \lambda_u \) (dashes), for benchmark point 1 of ref. [3].

Figure 3: Interplay between Higgs and W boson masses for superpotential parameters \( \lambda_u \) and \( \mu_u \). Green region corresponds to \( m_h = 126 \pm 2 \) GeV, yellow to \( \pm 8 \) GeV. Contours show value of \( m_W \).

The Higgs boson mass while being in agreement with measured mass of the W boson. The \( \sim 125 \) GeV Higgs mass is obtained without stop mixing, which is forbidden by the R-symmetry, and with stops of masses below 1 TeV, which is an attractive feature, both theoretically and experimentally. Despite that, there are still some open questions like issue of dark matter or confronting MRSSM with LHC limits from direct searches of SUSY particles. We hope that these question will be addressed, with positive outcome, in the near feature.

In ref. [4] we substantially refined the calculation by including two-loop corrections to Higgs mass in effective potential approximation and gauge-less limit. Although important, those contributions don’t change conclusions of [3].
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