## Determining the CP Nature of a Neutral Higgs Boson at the CERN Large Hadron Collider

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We demonstrate that certain weighted moments of  $t\bar{t}h$  production can provide a determination of the *CP* nature of a light neutral Higgs boson produced and detected in this mode at the CERN Large Hadron Collider. [S0031-9007(96)00272-4]

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It is well known [1,2] that detection of a Higgs boson h with couplings roughly like those of the standard model (SM) Higgs ( $\phi^0$ ) will be possible at the CERN Large Hadron Collider (LHC), the detection mode depending upon the mass  $m_h$ . If  $m_h \leq 130$  GeV, the primary techniques for observing such an h rely on  $gg \rightarrow h$ ,  $W^* \to Wh$ , and  $gg \to t\bar{t}h$ , with  $h \to \gamma\gamma$  and, for the latter two modes,  $h \rightarrow b\overline{b}$ . If the h is part of a larger (non-SM) Higgs sector, deviations of the Wh and  $t\bar{t}h$  production rates from SM expectations will be present, but difficult to interpret. A direct determination of whether the h is CP even (as predicted for the SM  $\phi^0$  and the minimal supersymmetric model  $h^0$ ) would be especially crucial to unraveling the situation. The only procedure proposed to date for directly determining the CP nature of a light h at the LHC employs proton beam polarization asymmetries which are only sufficiently large if proton polarization implies substantial polarization for the colliding gluons in the  $gg \rightarrow h$  process [3]. (Other techniques are available at  $e^+e^-$  and  $\mu^+\mu^-$  machines [4].) Here, we demonstrate that certain weighted moments of the cross section for  $t\bar{t}h$  production are sensitive to the relative magnitudes of the CP-even and CP-odd coupling coefficients c and d (respectively) in the  $t\bar{t}h$  interaction Lagrangian,  $\mathcal{L} \equiv \overline{t}(c + id\gamma_5)th$ . The accuracy with which these moments can be measured experimentally at the LHC (assuming an accumulated, detector-summed luminosity of  $L = 600 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) is sufficient that *CP*-even SM Higgs boson can be shown to be inconsistent with an equal mixture of CP-odd and CP-even components at the  $\sim 1.5\sigma - 2\sigma$  statistical level, and inconsistent with a purely *CP*-odd state at the  $\gtrsim 7\sigma$  statistical level.

Consider a general quark-antiquark-Higgs coupling of the form  $\overline{Q}(c + id\gamma_5)Qh$ , where c and d are both taken to be real; c and d determine the CP-even and CPodd components of the coupling, respectively. The spinaveraged cross sections for  $gg \rightarrow Q\overline{Q}h$  and  $q\overline{q} \rightarrow Q\overline{Q}h$ production contain no terms proportional to cd. However, they do contain terms proportional to both  $c^2 + d^2$  and  $c^2 - d^2$ . Since the  $c^2 - d^2$  terms are multiplied by  $m_Q^2$ , sensitivity to  $c^2 - d^2$  terms is only significant if  $m_Q^2$  is of the same order as the other invariant masses squared for the subprocess. The latter are fairly large, being set by the scale  $m_h^2$ , implying that only  $t\bar{t}h$  production will have substantial sensitivity to  $c^2 - d^2$ .

In order to isolate the  $c^2 - d^2$  terms in the production amplitude squared in a manner that is free of systematic uncertainties associated with the overall production rate, we compute the ratio

$$\alpha[\mathcal{O}_{CP}] \equiv \frac{\int [\mathcal{O}_{CP}] \{ d\sigma(pp \to t\bar{t}X)/dPS \} dPS}{\int \{ d\sigma(pp \to t\bar{t}X)/dPS \} dPS}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_{CP}$  is an operator designed to maximize sensitivity of  $\alpha$  to the  $c^2 - d^2$  term. (We use the notation *PS* for phase space.) Some simple operators that offer substantial sensitivity to  $c^2 - d^2$  are

$$a_{1} = \frac{\left(\vec{p}_{t} \times \hat{n}\right) \cdot \left(\vec{p}_{\overline{t}} \times \hat{n}\right)}{\left|\left(\vec{p}_{t} \times \hat{n}\right) \cdot \left(\vec{p}_{\overline{t}} \times \hat{n}\right)\right|}, \qquad a_{2} = \frac{p_{t}^{x} p_{\overline{t}}^{x}}{\left|p_{t}^{x} p_{\overline{t}}^{x}\right|},$$

$$b_{1} = \frac{\left(\vec{p}_{t} \times \hat{n}\right) \cdot \left(\vec{p}_{\overline{t}} \times \hat{n}\right)}{p_{t}^{T} p_{\overline{t}}^{T}},$$

$$b_{2} = \frac{\left(\vec{p}_{t} \times \hat{n}\right) \cdot \left(\vec{p}_{\overline{t}} \times \hat{n}\right)}{\left|\vec{p}_{t}\right| \left|\vec{p}_{\overline{t}}\right|},$$

$$b_{3} = \frac{p_{t}^{x} p_{\overline{t}}^{x}}{p_{t}^{T} p_{\overline{t}}^{T}}, \qquad b_{4} = \frac{p_{t}^{z} p_{\overline{t}}^{z}}{\left|\vec{p}_{t}\right| \left|\vec{p}_{\overline{t}}\right|},$$

$$(2)$$

where  $p_{t,\overline{t}}^T$  denote the magnitudes of the *t* and  $\overline{t}$  transverse momenta. In Eq. (2),  $\hat{n}$  is a unit vector in the direction of the beam line and defines the *z* axis; for the *x* axis we choose any *fixed* direction perpendicular to the beam. Since all these operators will have somewhat different systematic uncertainties, it will be useful to analyze the *CP* properties using all of them (and, perhaps, others as well).

The critical question with regard to the usefulness of a given  $\alpha$  is the accuracy with which it can be measured relative to the predicted changes in  $\alpha$  as a function of the *CP* nature of the *h*. There will be background as well as  $t\bar{t}h$  signal contributions in any  $t\bar{t}X$  channel ( $X = \gamma\gamma\gamma$  or  $b\bar{b}$ ). We define  $\alpha_S$  and  $\alpha_B$  to be the value of  $\alpha$  as defined in Eq. (1) for the signal and background cross sections on their own. We also define

$$\beta[\mathcal{O}_{CP}] = \frac{\int [\mathcal{O}_{CP}]^2 \{ d\sigma(pp \to t\bar{t}X)/dPS \} dPS}{\int \{ d\sigma(pp \to t\bar{t}X)/dPS \} dPS}, \quad (3)$$

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and the  $\beta_s$  and  $\beta_B$  values of  $\beta$  for the signal and background individually. Then, one finds that the experimental error for  $\alpha_s$  is given by

$$\delta \alpha_S = S^{-1/2} \left[ \beta_S - \alpha_S^2 + \frac{B}{S} (\beta_B - 2\alpha_B \alpha_S + \alpha_S^2) \right]^{1/2}, \quad (4)$$

where *S* and *B* are the total number of signal and background events, respectively, in the  $t\bar{t}X$  channel being considered. Note that  $\beta = 1$  for the  $a_i$  operators. Since deviations from the SM predictions for the  $t\bar{t}X$  background could be present, it will be important to experimentally measure (using data with  $M_X$  not in the vicinity of  $m_h$ ) *B*,  $\alpha_B$ , and  $\beta_B$  with high precision. In what follows, we use in Eq. (4) values calculated in the SM as a guide.

Let us now focus on the  $X = \gamma \gamma$  channel. Detection of a Higgs boson in the  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  final state was originally proposed in Ref. [5] and has been thoroughly studied by both the ATLAS and CMS Collaborations in their technical proposals [6,7]. The final state employed is that in which one t decays semileptonically, while the other decays hadronically. This allows identification of t vs  $\overline{t}$ , and reconstruction of the transverse momenta of both t and  $\overline{t}$ . This is already sufficient for defining  $a_{1,2}$ and  $b_{1,3}$  in Eq. (2). The  $b_{2,4}$  operators of Eq. (2) require knowledge of the full t and  $\overline{t}$  three-momenta. For the hadronically decaying t, the three jets can be used for this determination. Determination of the z component of momentum of the leptonically decaying t is subject to the usual twofold ambiguity in determining the z component of the momentum of the unobserved neutrino using the missing transverse energy,  $m_{\nu} = 0$ , and the known value of  $m_t$ . The algorithm in which  $p_{\nu}^z$  is chosen so as to minimize the overall rapidity of the  $t\bar{t}h$  system yields the correct solution a large fraction of the time.

We first present the values of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  for signal and background, for the various different  $\mathcal{O}_{CP}$  operators listed in Eq. (2), assuming a Higgs boson mass of  $m_h =$ 100 GeV. These values include mild cuts on the outgoing  $t, \bar{t}$  and photons of  $|y_{t,\bar{t},\gamma}| \langle 4, p_{\gamma}^T \rangle m_h/4$ . In actual practice, the detector collaborations must compute the expected numbers using their full cuts and resolutions. Results for  $\alpha_B$  and  $\beta_B$  are given in Table I, and results for  $\alpha_S$ and  $\beta_S$  are given in Table II for several choices of c, d. Also given are the values of  $S^{1/2} \delta \alpha_S$  in the limit of zero background. These latter values, in comparison to the changes in  $\alpha_S$  as a function of (c, d), give a first indication of the relative sensitivity of the various  $\mathcal{O}_{CP}$  operators to different values of c, d. We see that the operators  $a_1$ ,

TABLE I.  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  channel  $\alpha_B$  and  $\beta_B$  values, assuming  $m_h = 100$  GeV.

$\mathcal{O}_{CP}$	$a_1$	$b_1$	$b_2$	$a_2$	$b_3$	$b_4$
$\alpha_b$ $\beta_B$	-0.863	-0.796 0.806	-0.249 0.127	-0.698	-0.404 0.332	0.130 0.411

 $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ , and  $b_4$  will be most useful,  $b_1$  probably being the best, both in that it exhibits the largest relative changes and also in that it can be constructed without the use of *z*-component momenta.

Of course, we must include the background in order to obtain the true value of  $\delta \alpha_S$ , see Eq. (4). Let us focus on the case where the h has SM-like couplings and ask how well we can measure  $\alpha_S$  in this case. For this purpose, we employ the results from the CMS experimental technical proposal, Fig. 12.8 (in which  $L = 162.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ is assumed), scaled to the current standard benchmark in which it is assumed that the ATLAS and CMS detectors will (in combination) accumulate an integrated luminosity of  $L = 600 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . For our estimates we will sum events in a 5 GeV interval centered at  $M_{\gamma\gamma} = m_h = 100$  GeV. From the above-referenced Fig. 12.8, one obtains, after rescaling, S = 259 and B = 42 for the sum of the  $W\gamma\gamma$ and  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  modes. At the LHC, these two modes contribute almost equally, implying  $S \sim 130$  and  $B \sim 21$  for the  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  mode. To quantify our ability to discriminate the SM case of c = 1, d = 0 from the  $c = d = 1/\sqrt{2}$ and c = 0, d = 1 cases, we define the two discrimination powers

$$D_{1} \equiv \frac{|\alpha_{S}(c=1, d=0) - \alpha_{S}(c=d=1/\sqrt{2})|}{\delta \alpha_{S}(c=1, d=0)},$$
$$D_{2} \equiv \frac{|\alpha_{S}(c=1, d=0) - \alpha_{S}(c=0, d=1)|}{\delta \alpha_{S}(c=1, d=0)}.$$
 (5)

These definitions of  $D_{1,2}$  are those appropriate if the observed Higgs boson is CP even [so that it is appropriate to use  $\delta \alpha_S(c = 1, d = 0)$  in computing the experimental error]. [If the *h* is pure CP odd,  $D_2$  should be defined using  $\delta \alpha_S(c = 0, d - 1)$ ; if it is an equal CP-even and CP-odd mixture,  $D_1$  should be defined using  $\delta \alpha_S(c = d = 1/\sqrt{2})$ .] The numerical values for  $D_{1,2}$  are given in Table III and indicate the level of statistical significance at which an observed CP-even *h* could be said to *not* be (1) an equal mixture of CP-odd and CP-even or (2) a purely CP-odd state. These values may be somewhat optimistic in that the above rates are those obtained before reconstructing the *t* and  $\overline{t}$ . However, because of the cleanliness of the  $t\overline{t}\gamma\gamma$  final state, we do not anticipate a large event rate loss for such reconstruction.

As anticipated, the operators  $a_1$ ,  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ , and  $b_4$  provide the best discrimination. For the best single operator,  $b_1$ , discrimination from the  $c = d = 1/\sqrt{2}$  case is only achieved at the  $\sim 1.5\sigma$  level. To reach the more satisfactory  $3\sigma$  level would require about 4 times as much integrated luminosity. Discrimination between the purely *CP*-even case and the purely *CP*-odd case would be possible using  $b_1$  at a high level of statistical significance,  $\sim 7\sigma$ . Better statistical significance in both cases can be achieved to the extent that the different operators are sensitive to different aspects of the t and  $\overline{t}$  distributions in the final state. In particular,  $b_4$  is primarily sensitive to the  $t, \overline{t}$  longitudinal

$a = 1/\sqrt{2}, c = 0, a = 1.$ Also given is 5 buy in the mint $b = 0.$							
$\mathcal{O}_{CP}$	$a_1$	$b_1$	$b_2$	<i>a</i> <sub>2</sub>	$b_3$	$b_4$	
c = 1, d = 0							
$\alpha_S$	-0.810	-0.718	-0.269	-0.619	-0.359	0.292	
$\beta_{S}$	1	0.736	0.151	1	0.308	0.376	
$S^{1/2}\delta \alpha_S$	0.586	0.469	0.280	0.785	0.424	0.539	
$c = d = 1/\sqrt{2}$							
$\alpha_S$	-0.742	-0.654	-0.243	-0.562	-0.327	0.228	
$\beta_{S}$	1	0.707	0.139	1	0.302	0.372	
$S^{1/2}\delta lpha_S$	0.671	0.528	0.283	0.827	0.442	0.566	
c = 0, d = 1							
$\alpha_S$	-0.486	-0.407	-0.147	-0.335	-0.200	-0.005	
$\beta_{S}$	1	0.593	0.096	1	0.272	0.371	
$S^{1/2}\delta lpha_S$	0.874	0.654	0.272	0.942	0.482	0.609	

TABLE II. Values of  $\alpha_s$  and  $\beta_s$  for the  $t\bar{t}h$  production, assuming  $m_h = 100$  GeV for the following cases: c = 1, d = 0;  $c = d = 1/\sqrt{2}$ ; c = 0, d = 1. Also given is  $S^{1/2}\delta\alpha_s$  in the limit B = 0.

momenta distributions, as distinct from the transverse momenta distributions that determine  $b_1$ . Simply combining the statistics for these two different moments would imply that c = 1, d = 0 could be distinguished from  $c = d = 1/\sqrt{2}$  at nearly the  $2\sigma$  level, assuming the L = 600 fb<sup>-1</sup> SM-like event rate. In reality, the experimental groups would undoubtedly obtain the best level of discrimination by studying the likelihood that a particular c, d mixture fits their data in an overall sense (without assuming knowledge of normalization).

A second possible channel for this type of analysis is the  $X = b\overline{b}$  channel (i.e.,  $t\overline{t}b\overline{b}$  final state). The signal event rate is much larger than in the  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  final state, but there are large backgrounds. This channel for Higgs discovery was first explored in Refs. [8,9], and has been studied by the ATLAS and CMS Collaborations with generally encouraging results [6,7,10]. These analyses isolate a signal by demanding that one of the t's decay semileptonically, and that three or four b quarks be tagged. The expected b-tagging efficiency and purity at high luminosity are sufficiently large that statistically significant signals for a SM-like h can be achieved. In Ref. [6], with  $L = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and using 3-b tagging, a roughly  $5\sigma$  signal is seen for  $m_h \sim$ 100 GeV, despite a small  $S/B \sim 1/40$  signal to background ratio. In the parton-level study of Ref. [8], it was found that 4-b tagging yields a cleaner  $S/B \sim 1/2$ , but S is also reduced so that  $S/\sqrt{B}$  for  $L = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  is at most increased to  $S/\sqrt{B} \sim 8-10$ . Neither of these analyses demands that the t quarks be reconstructed, as would be required in order to construct the  $\mathcal{O}_{CP}$ 

TABLE III.  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  channel,  $m_h = 100$  GeV: the discrimination powers  $D_{1,2}$  for S = 130 and B = 21.

$\mathcal{O}_{CP}$	$a_1$	$b_1$	$b_2$	$a_2$	$b_3$	$b_4$
$D_1$	1.26	1.47	0.97	0.78	0.81	1.21
$D_2$	5.97	7.10	4.67	3.87	3.97	5.65

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operators considered here. Such reconstruction could well improve the S/B ratios (in particular, by largely eliminating the combinatoric backgrounds), but undoubtedly at further sacrifice of signal event rate. Nonetheless, it seems probable that, for the combined ATLAS + CMS benchmark luminosity of L = 600 fb<sup>-1</sup>,  $S/\sqrt{B} \ge 5$  can be achieved after full *t*-quark reconstruction. We assume that after such reconstruction the only significant background will be from the irreducible  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  background process. (This is clearly the case if 4-*b* tagging is employed.) In analyzing the experimental error on the determination of  $\alpha_S$  for the different  $\mathcal{O}_{CP}$  operators, we then need only compute the  $\alpha_B$  and  $\beta_B$  values for the irreducible  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  background.

The values of  $\alpha_B$  and  $\beta_B$  for the cuts  $|y_{t,\overline{t},b,\overline{b}}| < 4$  and  $p_{b,\overline{b}}^T > m_h/4$  are given in Table IV. The corresponding signal reaction  $\alpha_S$  and  $\beta_S$  values for the various  $\mathcal{O}_{CP}$  operators are unchanged from the results appearing in Table II. Although the cuts that will be required in the eventual analysis will be far more complex, the changes in  $\alpha_s$ ,  $\beta_S$ ,  $\alpha_B$ , and  $\beta_B$  are unlikely to be so large as to invalidate the estimates obtained below.

Given  $\alpha_s$ ,  $\beta_S$ ,  $\alpha_B$ , and  $\beta_B$ , it is straightforward to compute the signal rate *S* for a SM-like Higgs that would be required to achieve  $D_1 = 2$  (that is, to discriminate a pure *CP*-even coupling from an equal *CP*even and *CP*-odd mixture at the  $2\sigma$  statistical level) as a function of *B/S*. The results are easily summarized. For  $B/S \sim 1$ ,  $D_1 = 2$  requires  $S \sim 700$  (~600), equivalent to  $S/\sqrt{B} \sim 26$  (~24), using  $\mathcal{O}_{CP} = b_1$  ( $b_4$ ). For  $B/S \sim$ 50,  $D_1 = 2$  requires  $S \sim 20000$  (~15000), equivalent to

TABLE IV.  $t\overline{t}b\overline{b}$  channel  $\alpha_B$  and  $\beta_B$  values, assuming  $m_h = 100$  GeV.

$\mathcal{O}_{CP}$	$a_1$	$b_1$	$b_2$	$a_2$	$b_3$	$b_4$
$\alpha_B$	-0.552	-0.478	-0.177	-0.395	-0.239	0.241
$\beta_{\scriptscriptstyle B}$	1	0.642	0.122	1	0.284	0.375

 $S/\sqrt{B} \sim 20 \ (\sim 17)$ , for  $\mathcal{O}_{CP} = b_1 \ (b_4)$ . Although the *S* values for  $b_4$  are a bit smaller than for  $b_1$ , these are not inaccuracies associated with using longitudinal momenta to construct the former. Note that, for large B/S,  $S/\sqrt{B} \sim 20$  is inevitably required to achieve  $D_1 \sim 2$  (using  $b_1$ ). The signal event rate required for  $D_2 = 2$ , i.e., to distinguish a purely *CP*-even Higgs from a purely *CP*-odd Higgs at the  $2\sigma$  level, is only about 1/20 that needed to achieve  $D_1 = 2$  (for a given B/S);  $D_2 \sim 2$  is achieved whenever  $S/\sqrt{B} \sim 4-5$ .

The above rules arise because  $D_{1,2}$  scale as  $S/\sqrt{B}$  for large B/S, see Eq. (4). At large B/S, we find in the  $b\overline{b}$  channel

$$D_1 = 2(S/\sqrt{B})/22, \qquad D_2 = 2(S/\sqrt{B})/4.4$$
 (6)

when employing the operator  $b_1$  (alone). In fact, the  $S/\sqrt{B}$  values required for a given  $D_{1,2}$  value are remarkably independent of B/S once  $B/S \gtrsim 2$ .

Overall, the  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  channel will probably not be as useful as the  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  channel in the case of a SM-like CP-even Higgs boson. However, for a non-SM-like Higgs boson,  $B(h \rightarrow \gamma \gamma)$  might be too small to yield an observable signal in the  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  final state, whereas  $B(h \rightarrow b\bar{b})$  will generally be large, and an observable signal in the  $t\overline{t}b\overline{b}$ channel will be possible so long as the  $t\bar{t}h$  coupling is not significantly suppressed compared to SM strength. The most difficult example is the case of a purely *CP*-odd  $A^0$ . The absence of the  $W^+W^-A^0$  coupling implies very small  $B(A^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma)$ . In a two-Higgs-doublet model of type II, the  $t\bar{t}A^0(b\bar{b}A^0)$  coupling is  $\propto \cot\beta(\propto \tan\beta)$ , where  $\tan\beta$ is the ratio of the vacuum expectation values of the two neutral Higgs doublet fields [1,2]. In the preferred  $\tan\beta > 1$  region of parameter space, the  $t\bar{t}A^0$  production cross section, proportional to  $\cot^2\beta$ , is suppressed, but  $B(A^0 \rightarrow b\overline{b})$  is large (for  $m_{A^0}$  below  $2m_t$ ). With L =600 fb<sup>-1</sup>, it might prove possible to achieve  $S/\sqrt{B} \sim 5$ for tan $\beta \leq 2$ , which [assuming large B/S and employing  $\delta \alpha_S(c=0, d=1)$  for  $b_1$  from Table II in defining  $D_2$ ] would imply  $D_2 \sim 1.6$ . This would at least add support to the indirect evidence for a large CP-odd component deriving simply from the absence of observable W +Higgs and  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  channel signals.

In this Letter, we have shown that weighted moments of the  $t\bar{t}h$  production cross section can provide a rough but direct (cross section normalization independent) determination of the *CP* nature of a light Higgs boson at the LHC. In the  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  final state, if we employ the best single weighting operator that does not depend upon the longitudinal momenta of the *t* quarks, a SM-like Higgs boson (pure *CP* even) can be distinguished from a Higgs boson that is an equal mixture of *CP* odd and *CP* even at the ~  $1.5\sigma$  statistical level with about 130 signal events (assuming  $B/S \ll 1$ ). This is roughly the number obtained for a combined ATLAS + CMS luminosity of L = 600 fb<sup>-1</sup> (assuming that the required *t*-quark reconstruction does not cause large losses in this final state). About 240 signal events are needed to achieve  $2\sigma$  discrimination. These same numbers of events would distinguish the purely *CP*even Higgs from a purely *CP*-odd Higgs at the  $\sim 7\sigma$  and  $\sim 10\sigma$  level, respectively. If the best operator depending upon *t*-quark longitudinal momenta can also be employed, the above statistical significances would increase by about 40%.

In the  $t\bar{t}bb$  channel, typically characterized by  $B/S \gtrsim 1$  (possibly  $\gg 1$ ),  $2\sigma$  discrimination between a pure *CP*even Higgs and one with an equal mixture of *CP*-odd and *CP*-even components requires  $S/\sqrt{B} \sim 20$ , which would, in general, be very difficult to achieve (except for a Higgs with enhanced  $t\bar{t}A^0$  coupling—requiring  $\tan\beta < 1$ in the *CP*-violating type-II two-Higgs-doublet model). However, distinguishing between purely *CP*-even and purely *CP*-odd coupling at the  $\geq 2\sigma$  level is possible whenever  $S/\sqrt{B} \geq 4$ , that is, whenever the Higgs boson can be detected.

Our analysis has made use of rather simplified cuts; the experimental groups should compute the weightings defined in Eqs. (1) and (3) using their full simulation, including the necessary *t*-quark reconstruction.

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