CHARGED HIGGS BOSON IN THE ECONOMICAL 3–3–1 MODEL

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The $SU(3)_C \otimes SU(3)_L \otimes U(1)_X$ gauge model with two Higgs triplets (the economical 3–3–1 model) is presented. The minimal Higgs potential is considered in detail, and new Higgs bosons with the mass proportional to the bilepton mass are predicted. In the effective approximation, the charged Higgs bosons H_2^{\pm} are scalar bileptons, while the neutral scalar bosons H^0 and H_1^0 do not carry lepton number. The couplings of the charged Higgs bosons to leptons and quarks are given. We show that Yukawa couplings of H_2^{\pm} to ordinary leptons and quarks are lepton-number violating. Pair production of H_2^{\pm} at high-energy e^+e^- colliders with polarization of the e^+ , e^- beams is studied in detail. Numerical evaluation shows that if the Higgs mass is not too heavy then the reaction can give observable cross section in future colliders at high degree of polarization. The reaction $e^+e^- \rightarrow H_2^{\pm}W^{\mp}$ is also examined. We show that the production cross sections of H_2^{\pm} and W^{\mp} is in general not expected to lead to easily observable signals in e^+e^- annihilation.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Recent neutrino experimental results [1] establish the fact that neutrinos have masses and the standard model (SM) must be extended. Among the extensions beyond the SM, the models based on the $SU(3)_C \otimes SU(3)_L \otimes U(1)_X$ (3–3–1) gauge group have some intriguing features. First, they can give partial explanation of the generation number problem. Second, the third quark generation has to be different from the first two, which leads to a possible explanation of why the top quark is uncharacteristically heavy.

There are two main versions of the 3–3–1 models. In one of them [2], the three known left-handed lepton components for each generation are associated with three $SU(3)_L$ triplets as $(\nu_l, l, l^c)_L$, where l_L^c is related to the right-handed isospin singlet of the charged lepton l in the SM. The scalar sector of this model is quite complicated (three triplets and one sextet). In the second version [3], three $SU(3)_L$ lepton triplets are of the form $(\nu_l, l, \nu_l^c)_L$, where ν_l^c is related to the right-handed component of the neutrino field ν_l (a model) with right-handed neutrinos). The scalar sector of this model requires three Higgs triplets, and we therefore call this version the 3–3–1 model with three Higgs triplets (331RH3HT) in what follows. It is interesting to note that in the 331RH3HT, two Higgs triplets have the same $U(1)_X$ charge with two neutral components at their top and bottom. Allowing these neutral components to have vacuum expectation values (VEVs), we can reduce the number of Higgs triplets to two. Based on these results, a model with two Higgs triplets, the economical 3–3–1 model, was proposed recently [4]. This model contains a very important advantage: there is no new parameter, but its Higgs sector is very simple, and hence a significant number of free parameters are reduced. In the Higgs sector of this model, there are four physical Higgs bosons. Two of them are neutral physical fields $(H^0 \text{ and } H^0_1)$, others are singly charged bosons H_2^{\pm} .

The Higgs boson plays an important role in the SM, being responsible for the generation of the masses of all elementary particles (leptons, quarks, and gauge bosons). The experimental detection of them will be a great triumph of the electroweak interactions and will

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mark a new stage in high-energy physics. However, the mass of the Higgs boson is a free parameter¹). The trilinear Higgs self-coupling can be measured directly in pair production of the Higgs particle at hadron and high-energy e^+e^- linear colliders [6–9] or at photon colliders [10]. Interactions among the SM gauge bosons and Higgs bosons in the economical 3-3-1 model were studied in detail in our earlier work [11]. The trilinear gauge boson couplings in the 3-3-1 models were presented in [12]. Production of bileptons in high-energy collisions [13] and the single Z' production at CLIC based on $e-\gamma$ collisions were studied in [14]. The discovery potential for doubly charged Higgs bosons and the possibility to detect the neutral Higgs boson in the minimal version at e^+e^- colliders was considered in [15, 16]. Production of the Higgs bosons in the 331RH3HT at the CERN LHC was studied in [17]. The distinguishing little-Higgs production and simple group models at the LHC and ILC were also discussed recently [18].

The polarization of electron and positron beams gives a very effective means to control the effect of the SM processes on the experimental analyses. Beam polarization is also an indispensable tool in identifying and studying new particles and their interactions. In this paper, we consider some properties of H_2^{\pm} in the 3–3–1 economical model and the future perspective experiment, the production of the singly charged Higgs boson in high-energy collisions with polarization of e^+ , e^- beams.

This paper is organized as follows. In Sec. 2, we give a brief review of the economical 3–3–1 model. Section 3 presents the minimal Higgs potential in detail. In Sec. 4, we consider the coupling of the charged Higgs boson with leptons and quarks. Section 5 represents a detailed calculation of the cross section of H_2^{\pm} pair production with polarization of e^+ , e^- beams. The associated production of H_2^{\pm} and W^{\mp} via neutral bosons Z and Z' is given in Sec. 6. We summarize our result and make conclusions in Sec. 7.

2. A REVIEW OF THE ECONOMICAL 3-3-1 MODEL

The particle content in this model, which is anomaly free, is given by [4]

$$\psi_{aL} = (\nu_{aL}, l_{aL}, N_{aL})^T \sim \left(1, 3, -\frac{1}{3}\right), \qquad (1)$$
$$l_{aR} \sim (1, 1, -1),$$

where a = 1, 2, 3 is a family index. The right-handed neutrino is denoted by $N_L \equiv (\nu_R)^c$ and

$$Q_{1L} = (u_1, d_1, U)_L^T \sim \left(3, \frac{1}{3}\right),$$

$$Q_{\alpha L} = (d_\alpha, -u_\alpha, D_\alpha)_L^T \sim (3^*, 0), \quad \alpha = 2, 3,$$

$$u_{aR} \sim \left(1, \frac{2}{3}\right), \quad d_{aR} \sim \left(1, -\frac{1}{3}\right),$$

$$U_R \sim \left(1, \frac{2}{3}\right), \quad D_{\alpha R} \sim \left(1, -\frac{1}{3}\right).$$
(2)

Electric charges of the exotic quarks U and D_{α} are the same as for the usual quarks, i.e., $q_U = 2/3$ and $q_{D_{\alpha}} = -1/3$. The SU(3)_L \otimes U(1)_X gauge group is broken spontaneously in two steps. In the first step, it is embedded into the SM group via a Higgs scalar triplet

$$\chi = \left(\chi_1^0, \chi_2^-, \chi_3^0\right)^T \sim \left(3, -\frac{1}{3}\right), \tag{3}$$

endowed with the VEV

$$\langle \chi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(u, 0, \omega \right)^T.$$
 (4)

In the second step, to embed the gauge group of the SM into $U(1)_Q$, another Higgs scalar triplet

$$\phi = \left(\phi_1^+, \phi_2^0, \phi_3^+\right)^T \sim \left(3, \frac{2}{3}\right) \tag{5}$$

is needed with the VEV

$$\langle \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(0, v, 0 \right)^T.$$
(6)

The Yukawa interactions that induce the fermion masses can be written in the most general form as

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = (\mathcal{L}_Y^{\chi} + \mathcal{L}_Y^{\phi}) + \mathcal{L}_Y^{mix}, \tag{7}$$

where

$$(\mathcal{L}_{Y}^{\chi} + \mathcal{L}_{Y}^{\phi}) = h'_{11}\overline{Q}_{1L}\chi U_{R} + h'_{\alpha\beta}\overline{Q}_{\alpha L}\chi^{*}D_{\beta R} + h^{\epsilon}_{ij}\overline{\psi}_{iL}\phi e_{jR} + h^{\epsilon}_{ij}\epsilon_{pmn}(\overline{\psi}^{c}_{iL})_{p}(\psi_{jL})_{m}(\phi)_{n} + h^{d}_{1i}\overline{Q}_{1L}\phi d_{iR} + h^{d}_{\alpha i}\overline{Q}_{\alpha L}\phi^{*}u_{iR} + \text{H.c.}, \quad (8)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{Y}^{mix} = h_{1i}^{u} \overline{Q}_{1L} \chi u_{iR} + h_{\alpha i}^{u} \overline{Q}_{\alpha L} \chi^{*} d_{iR} + h_{1\alpha}^{\prime\prime} \overline{Q}_{1L} \phi D_{\alpha R} + h_{\alpha 1}^{\prime\prime} \overline{Q}_{\alpha L} \phi^{*} U_{R} + \text{H.c.}$$
(9)

The VEV ω gives mass to the exotic quarks U and D_{α} and the new gauge bosons Z', X, and Y, while the VEVs u and v give mass to the quarks u_a and d_a , the

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 $^{^{1)}}$ For a review on the Higgs sector in the SM, see [5].

leptons l_a , and the ordinary gauge bosons Z and W. To preserve the correspondence with the effective theory, the VEVs in this model must satisfy the constraint

$$u^2 \ll v^2 \ll \omega^2. \tag{10}$$

The masses of the gauge bosons are

$$M_W^2 = \frac{g^2 v^2}{4},$$
 (11)

$$M_Y^2 = \frac{g^2}{4}(u^2 + v^2 + \omega^2), \qquad (12)$$

$$M_X^2 = \frac{g^2}{4} (\omega^2 + u^2), \tag{13}$$

and

$$M_{Z^1}^2 \approx \frac{g^2}{4c_W^2} (v^2 - 3u^2),$$
 (14)

$$M_{Z^2}^2 \approx \frac{g^2 c_W^2 \omega^2}{3 - 4s_W^2}.$$
 (15)

Relations (11), (12), and (13) imply the splitting between the bilepton masses similar to the law of Pythagoras

$$M_Y^2 = M_X^2 + M_W^2. (16)$$

Therefore, the charged bilepton Y is slightly heavier than the neutral one X. We recall that a similar relation in the 331RH3HT is $|M_Y^2 - M_X^2| \leq m_W^2$ [3].

3. HIGGS POTENTIAL

In this model, the most general Higgs potential has the very simple form

$$V(\chi,\phi) = \mu_1^2 \chi^{\dagger} \chi + \mu_2^2 \phi^{\dagger} \phi + \lambda_1 (\chi^{\dagger} \chi)^2 + \lambda_2 (\phi^{\dagger} \phi)^2 + \lambda_3 (\chi^{\dagger} \chi) (\phi^{\dagger} \phi) + \lambda_4 (\chi^{\dagger} \phi) (\phi^{\dagger} \chi).$$
(17)

We note that there is no trilinear scalar coupling, which makes the Higgs potential much simpler than that in the 331RH3HT [19] and closer to that of the SM. The analysis in Ref. [20] shows that after the symmetry breaking, there are eight Goldstone bosons and four physical scalar fields. One of two physical neutral scalars is the SM Higgs boson.

We shift the Higgs fields into physical ones,

$$\chi = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_1^0 + \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \chi_2^- \\ \chi_3^0 + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^+ \\ \phi_2^0 + \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \phi_3^+ \end{pmatrix}.$$
(18)

With (18) substituted in (17), the potential becomes

$$\begin{split} V(\chi,\phi) &= \mu_1^2 \left[\left(\chi_1^{0*} + \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\chi_1^0 + \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \\ &+ \chi_2^+ \chi_2^- + \left(\chi_3^{0*} + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\chi_3^0 + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right] + \\ &+ \mu_2^2 \left[\phi_1^- \phi_1^+ + \left(\phi_2^{0*} + \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\phi_2^0 + \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \phi_3^- \phi_3^+ \right] + \\ &+ \lambda_1 \left[\left(\chi_1^{0*} + \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\chi_1^0 + \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \\ &+ \chi_2^+ \chi_2^- + \left(\chi_3^{0*} + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\chi_3^0 + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right]^2 + \\ &+ \lambda_3 \left[\left(\chi_1^{0*} + \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\phi_2^0 + \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \phi_3^- \phi_3^+ \right]^2 + \\ &+ \chi_2^+ \chi_2^- + \left(\chi_3^{0*} + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\chi_3^0 + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right] \times \\ &\times \left[\phi_1^- \phi_1^+ + \left(\phi_2^{0*} + \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\phi_2^0 + \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \phi_3^- \phi_3^+ \right] + \\ &+ \lambda_4 \left[\left(\chi_1^{0*} + \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \phi_1^+ + \chi_2^+ \left(\phi_2^0 + \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \\ &+ \left(\chi_3^{0*} + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \phi_3^+ \right] \times \\ &\times \left[\phi_1^- \left(\chi_1^0 + \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \left(\phi_2^{0*} + \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \chi_2^- + \\ &+ \phi_3^- \left(\chi_3^0 + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right]. \end{split}$$
(19)

From the above expression, we obtain constraint equations at the tree level

$$\mu_1^2 + \lambda_1 (u^2 + \omega^2) + \lambda_3 \frac{v^2}{2} = 0, \qquad (20)$$

$$\mu_2^2 + \lambda_2 v^2 + \lambda_3 \frac{(u^2 + \omega^2)}{2} = 0, \qquad (21)$$

which imply that the Higgs vacua are not $\mathrm{SU}(3)_L \otimes \otimes \mathrm{U}(1)_X$ singlets. As a result, the gauge symmetry is broken spontaneously. The nonzero values of χ and ϕ at the minimum value of $V(\chi, \phi)$ can be easily obtained as

$$\chi^{+}\chi = \frac{u^{2} + \omega^{2}}{2} = \frac{\lambda_{3}\mu_{2}^{2} - 2\lambda_{2}\mu_{1}^{2}}{4\lambda_{1}\lambda_{2} - \lambda_{3}^{2}},$$

$$\phi^{+}\phi = \frac{v^{2}}{2} = \frac{\lambda_{3}\mu_{1}^{2} - 2\lambda_{1}\mu_{2}^{2}}{4\lambda_{1}\lambda_{2} - \lambda_{3}^{2}}.$$
(22)

It is worth noting that any other choice of u and ω for the vacuum value of χ satisfying (22) gives

the same physics because it is related to (4) by an $SU(3)_L \otimes U(1)_X$ transformation. Thus, in general, we assume that $u \neq 0$.

Because u is the lepton-number violation parameter, the terms linear in u violate the lepton number. Applying constraint equations (20) and (21), we obtain the minimum value, mass terms, lepton-number conserving, and lepton-number violating interactions:

$$V(\chi,\phi) = V_{min} + V_{mass}^{N} + V_{mass}^{C} + V_{LNC} + V_{LNV}, \quad (23)$$

where

$$V_{min} = -\frac{\lambda_2}{4}v^4 - \frac{1}{4}(u^2 + \omega^2)[\lambda_1(u^2 + \omega^2) + \lambda_3 v^2],$$

$$V_{mass}^{N} = \lambda_1 (uS_1 + \omega S_3)^2 + \lambda_2 v^2 S_2^2 + \lambda_3 v (uS_1 + \omega S_3) S_2, \quad (24)$$

$$V_{mass}^{C} = \frac{\lambda_4}{2} (u\phi_1^+ + v\chi_2^+ + \omega\phi_3^+) \times (u\phi_1^- + v\chi_2^- + \omega\phi_3^-), \quad (25)$$

$$V_{LNC} = \lambda_1 (\chi^+ \chi)^2 + \lambda_2 (\phi^+ \phi)^2 + \\ + \lambda_3 (\chi^+ \chi) (\phi^+ \phi) + \lambda_4 (\chi^+ \phi) (\phi^+ \chi) + \\ + 2\lambda_1 \omega S_3 (\chi^+ \chi) + 2\lambda_2 v S_2 (\phi^+ \phi) + \lambda_3 v S_2 (\chi^+ \chi) + \\ + \lambda_3 \omega S_3 (\phi^+ \phi) + \frac{\lambda_4}{\sqrt{2}} (v \chi_2^- + \omega \phi_3^-) (\chi^+ \phi) + \\ + \frac{\lambda_4}{\sqrt{2}} (v \chi_2^+ + \omega \phi_3^+) (\phi^+ \chi), \quad (26)$$

$$V_{LNV} = 2\lambda_1 u S_1(\chi^+ \chi) + \lambda_3 u S_1(\phi^+ \phi) + \frac{\lambda_4}{\sqrt{2}} u \left[\phi_1^-(\chi^+ \phi) + \phi_1^+(\phi^+ \chi) \right]. \quad (27)$$

We here expanded the neutral Higgs fields as

$$\chi_1^0 = \frac{S_1 + iA_1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \chi_3^0 = \frac{S_3 + iA_3}{\sqrt{2}}, \\ \phi_2^0 = \frac{S_2 + iA_2}{\sqrt{2}}.$$
(28)

In the literature, the real parts $(S_i, i = 1, 2, 3)$ are also called CP-even scalars and the imaginary parts $(A_i, i = 1, 2, 3)$ are called CP-odd scalars. In this paper, we call them scalar and pseudoscalar fields, respectively. As expected, the lepton-number violating part V_{LNC} is linear in u and trilinear in scalar fields.

In the pseudoscalar sector, all fields are Goldstone bosons: $G_1 = A_1$, $G_2 = A_2$, and $G_3 = A_3$ (see

Eq. (24)). The scalar fields S_1 , S_2 , and S_3 acquire masses via (24), and we therefore obtain one Goldstone boson G_4 and two neutral physical fields: the SM H^0 and the new H_1^0 with the masses

$$m_{H^{0}}^{2} = \lambda_{2}v^{2} + \lambda_{1}(u^{2} + \omega^{2}) - \sqrt{[\lambda_{2}v^{2} - \lambda_{1}(u^{2} + \omega^{2})]^{2} + \lambda_{3}^{2}v^{2}(u^{2} + \omega^{2})} \approx \frac{4\lambda_{1}\lambda_{2} - \lambda_{3}^{2}}{2\lambda_{1}}v^{2}, \quad (29)$$

$$M_{H_{1}^{0}}^{2} = \lambda_{2}v^{2} + \lambda_{1}(u^{2} + \omega^{2}) + \sqrt{[\lambda_{2}v^{2} - \lambda_{1}(u^{2} + \omega^{2})]^{2} + \lambda_{3}^{2}v^{2}(u^{2} + \omega^{2})} \approx \\ \approx 2\lambda_{1}\omega^{2}.$$
(30)

In terms of scalars, the Goldstone and Higgs fields are given by

$$G_4 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t_{\theta}^2}} (S_1 - t_{\theta} S_3), \qquad (31)$$

$$H^{0} = c_{\zeta} S_{2} - \frac{s_{\zeta}}{\sqrt{1 + t_{\theta}^{2}}} (t_{\theta} S_{1} + S_{3}), \qquad (32)$$

$$H_1^0 = s_{\zeta} S_2 + \frac{c_{\zeta}}{\sqrt{1 + t_{\theta}^2}} (t_{\theta} S_1 + S_3), \qquad (33)$$

where

$$t_{2\zeta} \equiv \frac{\lambda_3 M_W M_X}{\lambda_1 M_X^2 - \lambda_2 M_W^2}.$$
 (34)

It follows from Eq. (30) that the mass of the new Higgs boson $M_{H_1^0}$ is related to the mass of the bilepton gauge X^0 (or Y^{\pm} via the law of Pythagoras) through

$$M_{H_{1}^{0}}^{2} = \frac{8\lambda_{1}}{g^{2}}M_{X}^{2} \left[1 + O\left(\frac{M_{W}^{2}}{M_{X}^{2}}\right)\right] = \frac{2\lambda_{1}s_{W}^{2}}{\pi\alpha}M_{X}^{2} \left[1 + O\left(\frac{M_{W}^{2}}{M_{X}^{2}}\right)\right] \approx 18.8\lambda_{1}M_{X}^{2}.$$
 (35)

Here, we use $\alpha = 1/128$ and $s_W^2 = 0.231$.

In the charged Higgs sector, the mass terms for (ϕ_1, χ_2, ϕ_3) are given by (25), and hence there are two Goldstone bosons and one physical scalar field:

$$H_2^+ \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{u^2 + v^2 + \omega^2}} (u\phi_1^+ + v\chi_2^+ + \omega\phi_3^+) \qquad (36)$$

with the mass

$$M_{H_{2}^{+}}^{2} = \frac{\lambda_{4}}{2} (u^{2} + v^{2} + \omega^{2}) = 2\lambda_{4} \frac{M_{Y}^{2}}{g^{2}} = \frac{s_{W}^{2} \lambda_{4}}{2\pi \alpha} M_{Y}^{2} \approx 4.7 \lambda_{4} M_{Y}^{2}.$$
 (37)

The remaining two Goldstone bosons are

$$G_5^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t_\theta^2}} (\phi_1^+ - t_\theta \phi_3^+), \qquad (38)$$

$$G_{6}^{+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1+t_{\theta}^{2})(u^{2}+v^{2}+\omega^{2})}} \times \left[v(t_{\theta}\phi_{1}^{+}+\phi_{3}^{+})-\omega(1+t_{\theta}^{2})\chi_{2}^{+}\right].$$
 (39)

Thus, all pseudoscalars are eigenstates and are massless (Goldstone). The other physical fields are related to the scalars in the weak basis by the linear transformations

$$\begin{pmatrix} H^{0} \\ H^{0}_{1} \\ G_{4} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -s_{\zeta}s_{\theta} & c_{\zeta} & -s_{\zeta}c_{\theta} \\ c_{\zeta}s_{\theta} & s_{\zeta} & c_{\zeta}c_{\theta} \\ c_{\theta} & 0 & -s_{\theta} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} S_{1} \\ S_{2} \\ S_{3} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (40)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_2^+ \\ G_5^+ \\ G_6^+ \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega^2 + c_\theta^2 v^2}} \times \\ \times \begin{pmatrix} \omega s_\theta & v c_\theta & \omega c_\theta \\ c_\theta \sqrt{\omega^2 + c_\theta^2 v^2} & 0 & -s_\theta \sqrt{\omega^2 + c_\theta^2 v^2} \\ \frac{v s_{2\theta}}{2} & -\omega & v c_\theta^2 \end{pmatrix} \times \\ \times \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\psi s_{2\theta}}{2} & -\omega & v c_\theta^2 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^+ \\ \chi_2^+ \\ \phi_3^+ \end{pmatrix}. \quad (41)$$

From (29) and (30), we reproduce the result in Ref. [20]:

$$\lambda_1 > 0, \quad \lambda_2 > 0, \quad 4\lambda_1\lambda_2 > \lambda_3^2. \tag{42}$$

Equation (37) shows that the mass of the massive charged Higgs boson H_2^{\pm} is proportional to the mass of the charged bilepton Y through the Higgs self-coupling constant $\lambda_4 > 0$. The same is true for the SM Higgs boson H^0 ($M_{H^0} \sim M_W$) and the new H_1^0 ($M_{H_1^0} \sim M_X$). Combining (42) with constraint equations (20) and (21), we obtain that $\lambda_3 < 0$.

To finish this section, we comment on our physical Higgs bosons. In the effective approximation $w \gg v, u$, it follows from Eqs. (40) and (41) that

$$\begin{array}{l}
 H^{0} \sim S_{2}, \quad H^{0}_{1} \sim S_{3}, \quad G_{4} \sim S_{1}, \\
 H^{+}_{2} \sim \phi^{+}_{3}, \quad G^{+}_{5} \sim \phi^{+}_{1}, \quad G^{+}_{6} \sim \chi^{+}_{2}.
 \end{array}$$
(43)

This means that in the effective approximation, the charged boson H_2^- is a scalar bilepton (with lepton number L = 2), and the neutral scalar bosons H^0 and H_1^0 do not carry lepton number (L = 0).

4. INTERACTION OF H_2^{\pm} WITH LEPTONS AND QUARKS

Substituting Eq. (41) in Eqs. (8) and (9), we obtain the couplings of H_2^{\pm} to leptons and quarks as

$$L_Y^{lepton} = \frac{\omega H_2^+}{\sqrt{\omega^2 + c_\theta^2 v^2}} \Big[s_\theta (h_{ij}^e \overline{\nu}_{iL} e_{jR} - 2h_{ij}^\epsilon \overline{\nu}_{iL}^c e_{jL}) + c_\theta (h_{ij}^e \overline{\nu}_{iR}^c e_{jR} + 2h_{ij}^\epsilon \overline{\nu}_{iL}^c e_{jL}) \Big] + \text{H.c.}$$
(44)

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{Y}^{\chi(quark)} = \frac{vc_{\theta}}{\sqrt{\omega^{2} + c_{\theta}^{2}v^{2}}} \times \\ \times \left[h_{11}'H_{2}^{-}\overline{d}_{1L}U_{R} - h_{\alpha\beta}'H_{2}^{+}\overline{u}_{\alpha L}D_{\beta R}\right] + \text{H.c.}, \quad (45)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{Y}^{\phi(quark)} = \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{\omega^{2} + c_{\theta}^{2}v^{2}}} \Big[h_{1i}^{d} H_{2}^{+} (s_{\theta}\overline{u}_{1L} + c_{\theta}\overline{U}_{L}) d_{iR} + h_{\alpha i}^{d} H_{2}^{-} (s_{\theta}\overline{d}_{\alpha L} + c_{\theta}\overline{D}_{\alpha L}) u_{iR} \Big] + \text{H.c.}, \quad (46)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{Y}^{\chi(mix)} = \frac{vc_{\theta}}{\sqrt{\omega^{2} + c_{\theta}^{2}v^{2}}} \times \left(h_{1i}^{u}H_{2}^{-}\overline{d}_{1L}u_{iR} - h_{\alpha i}^{u}H_{2}^{+}\overline{u}_{\alpha L}d_{iR}\right) + \text{H.c.}, \quad (47)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{Y}^{\phi(mix)} = \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{\omega^{2} + c_{\theta}^{2}v^{2}}} \left[h_{1\alpha}^{\prime\prime}H_{2}^{+}(s_{\theta}\overline{u}_{1L} + c_{\theta}\overline{U}_{L})D_{\alpha R} + h_{\alpha 1}^{\prime\prime}H_{2}^{-}(s_{\theta}\overline{d}_{\alpha L} + c_{\theta}\overline{D}_{\alpha L})D_{R} \right] + \text{H.c.}$$
(48)

From Eqs. (44) and (46), we see that the Yukawa coupling of H_2^{\pm} to the ordinary leptons and quarks violates the lepton number because $L(H_2^{\pm}) = \pm 2$. In this case, the coupling coefficients are proportional to s_{θ} , which means that the Yukawa couplings are very weak. Interactions among the SM gauge bosons and Higgs bosons were studied in detail in [11]. From these couplings, all scalar fields including the neutral scalar H^0 and the Goldstone bosons were identified and their couplings to the usual gauge bosons such as the photon, the charged bosons W^{\pm} , and the neutral Z, and also Z' were recovered without any additional conditions. We note that the CP-odd part of the Goldstone boson associated with the neutral non-Hermitian bilepton gauge boson G_{X^0} decouples, while its CP-even counterpart is involved in mixing in the same way as in the gauge boson sector.

5. PAIR PRODUCTION OF H_2^{\pm} IN e^+e^- COLLIDERS

High-energy e^+e^- colliders have been essential instruments to search for the fundamental constituents of

Vertex	$A^{\mu}H_2^-\overleftarrow{\partial_{\mu}}H_2^+$	$Z^{\mu}H_2^-\overleftrightarrow{\partial_{\mu}}H_2^+$	
Coupling	ie	$-igS_W t_W$	

Table 1.Trilinear couplings of the pair H_2^{\pm} to the
neutral gauge bosons in the SM

matter and their interactions. The possibility to detect the neutral Higgs boson in the minimal version at $e^+e^$ colliders was considered in [16] and production of the SM-like neutral Higgs boson at the CERN LHC was studied in [17]. This section is devoted to the pair production of H_2^{\pm} at e^+e^- colliders with the center-of-mass energy chosen as $\sqrt{s} \leq 1000$ GeV (CLIC) [15, 16]. The trilinear couplings of H_2^{\pm} to the neutral gauge bosons in the SM are given in Table 1 [11].

From Table 1, we can see that the production of H_2^{\pm} in e^+e^- colliders occurs through the neutral gauge bosons in the SM. We now consider the process in which the initial state contains an electron and a positron and the final state contains a pair of H_2^{\pm} :

$$e^{-}(p_1) + e^{+}(p_2) \to H_2^{+}(k_1) + H_2^{-}(k_2).$$
 (49)

Straightforward calculation yields the following differential cross section (DCS) in the center-of-mass frame with the polarized e^+e^- beams:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{(P_+,P_-)}}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{K_{H_2^+H_2^-}^3 \pi \alpha^2}{4s^2} \left[\frac{1}{s^2} (1 - P_+ P_-) - \frac{g_z [v_e (1 - P_+ P_-) - a_e (P_- - P_+)]}{2c_W s_W s (s - m_Z^2)} + \frac{g_z^2 [(v_e^2 + a_e^2)(1 - P_- P_+) - 2v_e v_a (P_- - P_+)]}{16c_W^2 s_W^2 (s - m_Z^2)^2} \right] \times (1 - \cos^2\theta), \quad (50)$$

where θ is the angle between \mathbf{p}_1 and \mathbf{k}_1 ,

$$g = \frac{e}{s_W}, \quad g_Z = \frac{2\omega^2 s_W^2 - v^2 (4c_W^2 - 1)}{2s_W c_W (\omega^2 + v^2)},$$
$$v_e = -1 + 4s_W^2, \quad a_e = -1,$$

and

$$K_{H_2^+H_2^-} = \left[(s - m_{H_2^+}^2 - m_{H_2^-}^2)^2 - 4m_{H_2^+}^2 m_{H_2^-}^2 \right]^{1/2}.$$
 (51)

 P_+ and P_- are the respective polarization coefficients of the e^+ and e^- beams. The total cross section is given by

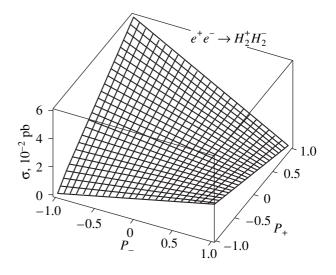


Fig.1. The total cross section of the process $e^+e^- \to H_2^\pm$ as a function of polarization coefficients. The collision energy is taken to be $\sqrt{s}=1~{\rm TeV}$ and the Higgs mass $m_{H_2^\pm}=200~{\rm GeV}$

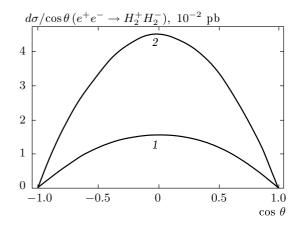


Fig.2. The DCS of the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow H_2^{\pm}$ as a function of $\cos \theta$. The collision energy is taken to be $\sqrt{s} = 1$ TeV and the Higgs mass $m_{H_2^{\pm}} = 200$ GeV. Curve 1 is for $P_- = 0, P_+ = 0$ and curve 2 for $P_- = -1, P_+ = 1$

$$\sigma_{(P_+,P_-)} = \frac{K_{H_2^+H_2^-}^3 \pi \alpha^2}{3s^2} \left[\frac{1}{s^2} (1 - P_+ P_-) - \frac{g_z [v_e (1 - P_+ P_-) - a_e (P_- - P_+)]}{2c_W s_W s (s - m_Z^2)} + \frac{g_z^2 [(v_e^2 + a_e^2)(1 - P_- P_+) - 2v_e v_a (P_- - P_+)]}{16c_W^2 s_W^2 (s - m_Z^2)^2} \right], \quad (52)$$

where we take $m_Z = 91.1882$ GeV, v = 246 GeV, and $\omega = 1$ TeV [4].

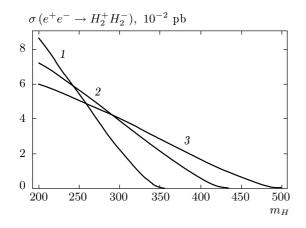


Fig. 3. The total cross section of the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow H_2^{\pm}$ as a function of m_H for $P_- = -1$ and $P_+ = 1$. The collision energies are chosen as $\sqrt{s} = 0.7$ (1), 0.85 (2), 1 (3) TeV

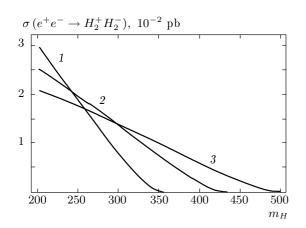


Fig.4. The total cross section of the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow H_2^{\pm}$ as a function of m_H for $P_- = P_+ = 0$. The collision energies are chosen as in Fig. 3

Based on Eqs. (44) and (46), we analyze the behavior of the cross section for some high energies of $e^+e^$ colliders. In Fig. 1, we plot the cross section $\sigma_{(P_+,P_-)}$ as a function of the polarized coefficients (P_+, P_-) . The collision energy is taken to be $\sqrt{s} = 1$ TeV and the Higgs mass is chosen as $m_{H_2^{\pm}} = 200$ GeV. The figure shows that the cross section has the maximum value $\sigma_{(P_+,P_-)} = 6 \cdot 10^{-2}$ pb at $P_- = -1$ and $P_+ = 1$, while $\sigma_0 = 2.1 \cdot 10^{-2}$ pb at $P_- = P_+ = 0$. The DCS as a function of $\cos \theta$ is shown in Fig. 2 (curve 1 for $P_- = P_+ = 0$ and curve 2 for $P_- = -1$, $P_+ = 1$). We see from Fig. 2 that the DCS has a maximum value at $\cos \theta = 0$, similarly to the process $e^+e^- \to ZR$ in the SM (while the DCS of the reactions $e^+e^- \to ZZ$, ZA has the minimal value at $\cos \theta = 0$) [9]. The results show that the cross

Table 2. Number of events with the integrated luminosity 500 fb⁻¹ and $m_H = 200$ GeV

\sqrt{s} , GeV	700	850	1000
$\sigma_{(P_+,P)}, \mathrm{pb}$	$8.7 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$7.4 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$6.1 \cdot 10^{-2}$
Number of events N	43500	37000	30500

section with highly polarized e^+ , e^- beams is approximately three times larger than those with unpolarized e^+ , e^- beams. The dependence of the total cross section on the Higgs mass for fixed collision energies, typically $\sqrt{s} = 0.7, 0.85, 1$ TeV, is also shown in Fig. 3 for $P_{-} = -1, P_{+} = 1$ and in Fig. 4 for $P_{-} = P_{+} = 0$. The Higgs mass is chosen as 200 GeV $\leq m_H \leq 500$ GeV. As we can see from the figures, at high energies, the cross section decreases as m_H increases. It is worth noting that there is no difference between two lines at $m_H \approx 240, 260$, and 300 GeV, with the respective cross sections given by $\sigma_{(P_+,P_-)} = 6 \cdot 10^{-2}, 5 \cdot 10^{-2},$ and $4.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$ pb. With the high integrated luminosity 500 fb^{-1} [8] and the Higgs mass chosen at a relatively low value of 200 GeV, the number of events with different values of \sqrt{s} is given in Table 2. From these results, we can see that with the high integrated luminosity and at the high degree of polarization of electron and positron beams, the production cross section may have observable values at moderately high energies. At the CLIC ($\sqrt{s} = 1$ TeV), the number of events is approximately N = 30500, as expected.

6. ASSOCIATED PRODUCTION OF H_2^{\pm} AND W^{\mp} IN e^+e^- COLLIDERS

Similarly to Sec. 5, in this section we evaluate the associated production of H_2^{\pm} and W^{\mp} at e^+e^- colliders via a Z Z' exchange, which is lepton-number violating with $\Delta L = \pm 2$. The trilinear couplings of the pair $H_2^{\pm}W^{\mp}$ to the neutral gauge bosons in the economical 3–3–1 model are given in Table 3 [11]. Here, $U_{\alpha\beta}$ ($\alpha, \beta = 1, 2, 3, 4$) is a mixing matrix of neutral gauge bosons given in the Appendix. The angle θ is the mixing angle between charged gauge bosons W and Y, which is defined by [4]

$$tg \theta = u/\omega. \tag{53}$$

The decay of the charged gauge boson W into leptons and quarks analyzed in detail in [4] gives the upper limit $s_{\theta} \leq 0.08$. We can see from Table 3 that the associated production of H_2^{\pm} and W^{\mp} at e^+e^- colliders occurs through the neutral gauge bosons Z and Z' in the *s*-channel

$$e^{-}(p_1) + e^{+}(p_2) \to H_2^{\pm}(k_1) + W^{\mp}(k_2).$$
 (54) In this case, the DCS is given by

$$\frac{d\sigma_{(P_{+},P_{-})}}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{K_{H_{2}^{\pm}W^{\mp}}\pi^{2}\alpha^{3}}{2s^{2}} \left\{ \frac{e_{Z}^{2}[(v_{e}^{2}+a_{e}^{2})(1-P_{-}P_{+})-2v_{e}a_{e}(P_{-}-P_{+})]}{16C_{W}^{2}S_{W}^{2}(s-m_{Z}^{2})^{2}} + \frac{e_{Z}^{\prime}[(v_{e}v_{e}^{\prime}+a_{e}a_{e}^{\prime})(1-P_{-}P_{+})-(v_{e}a_{e}^{\prime}+v_{e}^{\prime}a_{e})(P_{-}-P_{+})]}{16C_{W}^{2}S_{W}^{2}(s-m_{Z}^{2})^{2}} + \frac{e_{Z}e_{Z}^{\prime}[(v_{e}v_{e}^{\prime}+a_{e}a_{e}^{\prime})(1-P_{-}P_{+})-(v_{e}a_{e}^{\prime}+v_{e}^{\prime}a_{e})(P_{-}-P_{+})]}{8c_{W}^{2}s_{W}^{2}(s-m_{Z}^{2})(s-m_{Z}^{\prime})} \right\} \times \left\{ -2s + \frac{K_{H_{2}^{\pm}W^{\mp}}^{2}}{2m_{W}^{2}}(1-\cos^{2}\theta) \right\} \quad (55)$$

and the total cross section is

$$\sigma_{(P_{+},P_{-})} = \frac{K_{H_{2}^{\pm}W^{\mp}}\pi^{2}\alpha^{3}}{2s^{2}} \left\{ \frac{e_{Z}^{2}[(v_{e}^{2}+a_{e}^{2})(1-P_{-}P_{+})-2v_{e}a_{e}(P_{-}-P_{+})]}{16C_{W}^{2}S_{W}^{2}(s-m_{Z}^{2})^{2}} + \frac{e_{Z}^{\prime}\frac{2}{Z}[(v_{e}^{\prime}v_{e}^{\prime}+a_{e}a_{e}^{\prime})(1-P_{-}P_{+})-2v_{e}^{\prime}a_{e}^{\prime}(P_{-}-P_{+})]}{16C_{W}^{2}S_{W}^{2}(s-m_{Z}^{2})^{2}} + \frac{e_{Z}e_{Z}^{\prime}[(v_{e}v_{e}^{\prime}+a_{e}a_{e}^{\prime})(1-P_{-}P_{+})-(v_{e}a_{e}^{\prime}+v_{e}^{\prime}a_{e})(P_{-}-P_{+})]}{8C_{W}^{2}S_{W}^{2}(s-m_{Z}^{2})(s-m_{Z}^{2})} \right\} \left\{ -4s + \frac{2}{3}\frac{K_{H_{2}^{\pm}W^{\mp}}^{2}}{m_{W}^{2}} \right\}, \quad (56)$$

where

$$v_{e} = -1 + 4S_{W}^{2}, \quad a_{e} = -1, \quad v_{e}' = \frac{v_{e}}{\sqrt{4C_{W}^{2} - 1}},$$
$$a_{e}' = \frac{a_{e}}{\sqrt{4C_{W}^{2} - 1}},$$
$$e_{Z} = \frac{v\omega}{2S_{W}^{2}\sqrt{\omega^{2} + c_{\theta}^{2}v^{2}}} \times \left[s_{\theta}c_{\theta}(U_{12} + \sqrt{3}U_{22}) + c_{2\theta}U_{42}\right], \quad (57)$$

$$e'_{Z} = \frac{v\omega}{2S_{W}^{2}\sqrt{\omega^{2} + c_{\theta}^{2}v^{2}}} \times \\ \times \left[s_{\theta}c_{\theta}(U_{13} + \sqrt{3}U_{23}) + c_{2\theta}U_{43}\right], \quad (58)$$

and

$$K_{H_2^{\pm}W^{\mp}} = \left[(s - m_{H_2^{-}}^2 - m_W^2)^2 - 4m_{H_2^{-}}^2 m_W^2 \right]^{1/2}.$$
 (59)

We here use data as in the previous section, with $m_{Z'} = 800$ GeV [12]. For convenience of calculations, we take the upper value of the mixing angle $(s_{\theta})_{max} = 0.08$.

We now evaluate the cross section in detail. In Fig. 5, we plot the total cross section $\sigma_{(P_+,P_-)}$ as a function of the polarized coefficients. The status is as in Fig. 1, the total cross section $\sigma_{(P_+,P_-)}$ takes the maximum value $\sigma_{(P_+,P_-)} = 2.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$ pb at $P_- = -1$ and $P_+ = 1$, while if the e^+ , e^- beams are not polarized, then $\sigma_0 = 0.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$ pb. In this case, the cross section is

approximately $2.4 \cdot 10^4$ times smaller than those of the pair production H_2^{\pm} under the same conditions. The DCS as a function of $\cos \theta$ at $\sqrt{s} = 1$ TeV is shown in Fig. 6 (curve 1 with $P_{-} = P_{+} = 0$ and curve 2 with $P_{-} = -1, P_{+} = 1$). We see that the behavior of DCS is similar to that in Fig. 2. The Higgs mass dependence of the total cross section is shown in Fig. 7 for $P_{-} = -1$, $P_{+} = 1$ and in Fig. 8 for $P_{-} = P_{+} = 0$. The mass range is 200 GeV $\leq m_H \leq 800$ GeV and the collision energies are chosen as above, $\sqrt{s} = 0.7, 0.85$, and 1 TeV, respectively. We can see from the figures that the total cross section decreases rapidly as m_H increases. Figure 7 shows that at the lower bound of m_H , the respective cross sections are given by $\sigma_{(P_+,P_-)} = 17.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$, $4.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$, and $2.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$ pb. We can see that Fig. 8 is the same as Fig. 7, but the cross sections are approximately three times smaller.

For comparison with the behavior at higher collision energies, we present the cross section as a function of m_H for the fixed energies $\sqrt{s} = 1, 1.2$, and 1.4 TeV in Fig. 9. It follows that at higher values of \sqrt{s} , the total cross section decreases slowly, while at lower energy ($\sqrt{s} = 1$ TeV), the total cross section decreases rapidly as m_H increases. This shows that the cross section of the pair $H_2^{\pm}W^{\mp}$ production is much smaller than that of the pair production of H_2^{\pm} under the same conditions. We deduce that the associated production of H_2^{\pm} and W^{\mp} is in general not expected to lead to easily observable signals in e^+e^- collisions.

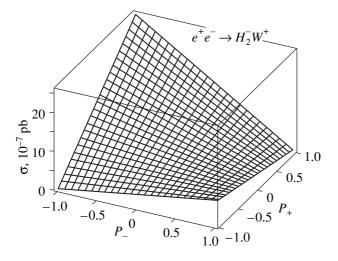


Fig. 5. The total cross section of the process $e^+e^- \to H_2^-W^+$ as a function of polarization coefficients. The collision energy is taken to be $\sqrt{s}=1~{\rm TeV}$ and the Higgs mass $m_{H_2^\pm}=200~{\rm GeV}$

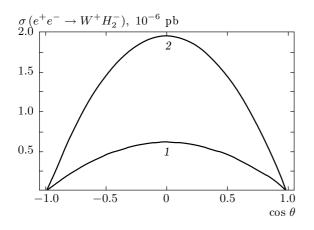


Fig. 6. The DCS of the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow H_2^-W^+$ as a function of $\cos\theta$. The collision energy is taken to be $\sqrt{s} = 1$ TeV and the Higgs mass $m_{H_2^\pm} = 200$ GeV. Curve 1 is for $P_- = 0, P_+ = 0$ and curve 2 for $P_- = -1, P_+ = 1$

In the final state, H_2^{\pm} can decay with modes as

$$\begin{aligned} H_2^{\pm} &\longrightarrow l^{\pm} \nu_l, \quad \tilde{U} d_a, \quad D_{\alpha} \tilde{u}_a, \\ \searrow & (60) \\ ZW^{\pm}, \quad Z'W^{\pm}, \quad XW^{\pm}, \quad ZY^{\pm}. \end{aligned}$$

We note that H_2^{\pm} is a bilepton in the effective approximation. Assuming that masses of the exotic quarks (U, D_{α}) are larger than $M_{H_2^{\pm}}$, we conclude that the hadron modes are absent in the decay of the charged Higgs boson. Because the Yukawa couplings of $H_2^{\pm}l^{\mp}\nu$

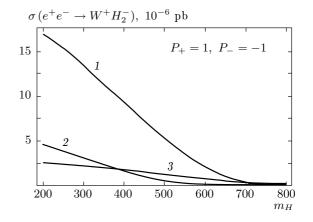


Fig.7. The total cross section of the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow H_2^-W^+$ as a function of m_H for $P_- = -1$ and $P_+ = 1$. The collision energies are taken to be $\sqrt{s} = 0.7$ (1), 0.85 (2), 1 (3) TeV

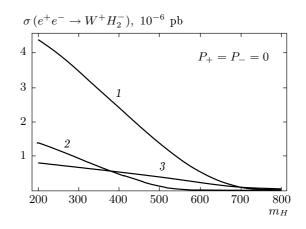


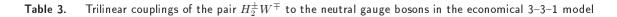
Fig. 8. The total cross section of the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow H_2^-W^+$ as a function of m_H for $P_- = P_+ = 0$. The collision energies are chosen as in Fig. 7

are very small, the main decay modes of H_2^{\pm} are in the second line of (60). Because the exotic X, Y and Z' gauge bosons are heavy, the coupling of a singly charged Higgs boson with the weak gauge bosons, $H_2^{\pm}W^{\mp}Z$, may be dominating. The decay width is given by

$$\Gamma(H_2^{\pm} \to W^{\pm} Z) = \frac{\pi \alpha^2 e_Z^2 K_{H_2^{\pm} W^{\mp}}}{m_{H_2^{\pm}}^3} \times \left[2 + \frac{(m_{H_2^{\pm}}^2 - m_Z^2 - m_W^2)^2}{4m_Z^2 m_W^2}\right].$$
 (61)

Taking 200 GeV $\leq m_{H_2^{\pm}} \leq 800$ GeV, we have the decay

Vertex	$ZH_2^{\pm}W^{\mp}$	$Z'H_2^{\pm}W^{\mp}$
Coupling	$\frac{g^2 v\omega}{2\sqrt{\omega^2 + c_\theta^2 v^2}} \left[s_\theta c_\theta \left(U_{12} + \sqrt{3}U_{22} \right) + c_{2\theta} U_{42} \right]$	$\frac{g^2 \upsilon \omega}{2\sqrt{\omega^2 + c_\theta^2 \upsilon^2}} \left[s_\theta c_\theta \left(U_{13} + \sqrt{3}U_{23} \right) + c_{2\theta} U_{43} \right]$



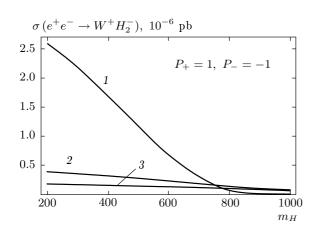


Fig. 9. The same as in Fig. 7, but for $\sqrt{s} = 1$ (1), 1.2 (2), 1.4 (3) TeV

width $2.1 \cdot 10^{-33} \text{ s}^{-1} \leq \Gamma(H_2^{\pm} \to W^{\pm} Z) \leq 3.4 \cdot 10^{-31} \text{ s}^{-1}$. It is interesting to note that the decay width of the main mode is also very small because the considered process is lepton-number violating ($\Delta L = \pm 2$).

It is worth mentioning the neutrinoless double beta decay, which requires violation of the lepton number. It can be useful in probing new physics beyond the SM [21]. Neutrino decay and neutrinoless double beta decay in the 3–3–1 model were studied recently [22]. The results show that the relevance of the new contributions is determined by the mixing angle θ and the bilepton mass m_Y . The order of magnitude of the new contributions is proportional to t_{θ} , which means that these contributions must be much smaller than the standard contributions.

7. CONCLUSIONS

We have presented the economical 3–3–1 model with two Higgs triplets. The minimal Higgs potential is considered in detail, with the prediction of a new Higgs bosons with the mass proportional to the bilepton mass. In the effective approximation, the charged Higgs bosons H_2^{\pm} are scalar bileptons, while the neutral

scalar bosons H^0 and H^0_1 do not carry lepton number. The couplings of charged Higgs bosons to leptons and quarks are given. It follows that the Yukawa coupling of the charged Higgs boson to ordinary leptons and quarks are lepton-number violating. The pair production of H_2^{\pm} at high-energy e^+e^- colliders with polarization of e^+ , e^- beams was studied in detail. Numerical evaluation shows that if the Higgs mass is not too large then the production cross section may give observable values at moderately high energies at high degree of polarization. We have also evaluated the associated production of H_2^{\pm} and W^{\mp} at high-energy e^+e^- colliders. It follows that the production cross sections are very small, much below the cross section of the pair production of H_2^{\pm} , and therefore the associated production of H_2^{\pm} and W^{\mp} is in general not expected to lead to easily observable signals in e^+e^- annihilation. This is because the considered process is lepton-number violating $(\Delta L = \pm 2)$.

Finally, we emphasize that the associated production of the charged Higgs boson and W^{\mp} at high-energy e^+e^- colliders in the minimal supersymmetric SM was recently studied in [23]. However, this reaction first arises at the one-loop level, while the considered process in the economical 3–3–1 model exists at the tree level.

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APPENDIX

Mixing matrix of neutral gauge bosons

For convenience in practical calculations, we use the mixing matrix

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$$\begin{pmatrix} W_3 \\ W_8 \\ B \\ W_4 \end{pmatrix} = U \begin{pmatrix} A \\ Z^1 \\ Z^2 \\ W'_4 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad (A.1)$$

where

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} s_W & c_{\varphi}c_{\theta'}c_W & s_{\varphi}c_{\theta'}c_W & s_{\theta'}c_W \\ -\frac{s_W}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{c_{\varphi}(s_W^2 - 3c_W^2 s_{\theta'}^2) - s_{\varphi}R_1R_2}{\sqrt{3}c_W c_{\theta'}} & \frac{s_{\varphi}(s_W^2 - 3c_W^2 s_{\theta'}^2) + c_{\varphi}R_1R_2}{\sqrt{3}c_W c_{\theta'}} & \sqrt{3}s_{\theta'}c_W \\ \frac{R_2}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{t_W(c_{\varphi}R_2 + s_{\varphi}R_1)}{\sqrt{3}c_{\theta'}} & -\frac{t_W(s_{\varphi}R_2 - c_{\varphi}R_1)}{\sqrt{3}c_{\theta'}} & 0 \\ 0 & -t_{\theta'}(c_{\varphi}R_1 - s_{\varphi}R_2) & -t_{\theta'}(s_{\varphi}R_1 + c_{\varphi}R_2) & R_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_1 = \sqrt{1 - 4s_{\theta'}^2 c_W^2}, \quad R_2 = \sqrt{4c_W^2 - 1},$$

and set

$$s_{\theta'} = \frac{t_{2\theta}}{c_W \sqrt{1 + 4t_{2\theta}^2}}$$

In the approximation that we consider, the angle φ has to be very small [4],

$$t_{2\varphi} \approx -\frac{\sqrt{3-4s_W^2}[v^2 + (11-14s_W^2)u^2]}{2c_W^4\omega^2}.$$
 (A.2)

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