



OVERVIEW ON TOP PHYSICS

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Weak process : same diagrams as the top decay!

Cross sections smaller than QCD but enhanced by a lower energy cost:

- ~ 3 pb at Tevatron
- ~ 60pb at LHC7

Three independent channels.





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- Top quark mass: $173.3 \pm 1.1 \text{ GeV}$
- ttbar cross section
- W-boson helicity fractions
- Spin correlations between the top quarks are measured by fitting a double distribution
- Forward-backward asymmetry: $A_{FB} = 0.15 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.02$
- m_{tt} , p_t , H_T distributions
- Decay width: $\Gamma_t < 7.4$ GeV at 95% C.L.
- Branching fraction: $(t \rightarrow W^+b)/(t \rightarrow W^+q) > 0.61$ at 95% C.L.
- Electric charge: $Q_t = -4/3$ excluded at 87% C.L
- Single top production cross section
- Measurement of $|V_{tb}| = 0.88 \pm 0.07$
- Discrimination between t- and s-channel production

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Beware: NNLO corrections not known exactly yet!!











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[Cacciari, Czakon, Mangano, Mitov, Nason, 2011]

Last results at NLO+NNLL:

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Tevatron

	Approximation	$\sigma_{\rm tot}$ [pb]	PDF	Α	2-loop Coulomb
1	NLO	$6.681^{+0.363}_{-0.752}$ (11.3%)	NLO	-	-
2	NLO+NLL	$7.070^{+0.212(3.0\%)}_{-0.432(6.1\%)}$	NLO	0	-
3	NLO+NLL	$6.930^{+0.278(4.0\%)}_{-0.496(7.2\%)}$	NLO	2	-
4	$\text{NNLO}_{\beta}, C_{ij}^{(2,0)} = 0$	$7.062^{+0.240}_{-0.334}(4.7\%)$	NNLO	-	-
5	NNLO _{β} , $C_{ij}^{(2,0)} = \overline{C}_{ij}^{(2,0)}$	$6.853^{+0.268(3.9\%)}_{-0.386(5.6\%)}$	NNLO		_
6	NLO+NNLL	$6.844^{+0.197(2.9\%)}_{-0.353(5.2\%)}$	NNLO	0	NO
7	NLO+NNLL	$6.722^{+0.212}_{-0.391} {}^{(3.2\%)}_{(5.8\%)}$	NNLO	2	NO
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1	NLO	$158.1^{+19.5(12.3\%)}_{-21.2(13.4\%)}$	NLO	-	_
2	NLO+NLL	$174.8^{+17.6(10.1\%)}_{-15.3(8.8\%)}$	NLO	0	-
3	NLO+NLL	$167.1^{+14.3}_{-15.4}(9.2\%)$	NLO	2	-
4	NNLO _{β} , $C_{ij}^{(2,0)} = 0$	$161.2^{+11.3}_{-10.8} {}^{(7.0\%)}_{(6.7\%)}$	NNLO	—	—
5	NNLO _{β} , $C_{ij}^{(2,0)} = \overline{C}_{ij}^{(2,0)}$	$154.0^{+12.0(7.8\%)}_{-8.6(5.6\%)}$	NNLO		_
6	NLO+NNLL	$161.5^{+14.5(9.0\%)}_{-12.3(7.6\%)}$	NNLO	0	NO
7	NLO+NNLL	$155.9^{+11.5(7.4\%)}_{-13.0(8.3\%)}$	NNLO	2	NO
8	NLO+NNLL	$164.7^{+15.0(9.1\%)}_{-12.8(7.8\%)}$	NNLO	0	YES
9	NLO+NNLL	$158.7^{+12.2(7.7\%)}_{-13.5(8.5\%)}$	NNLO	2	YES

LHC

* Best improved results basically the same as those from standard NLO both Tevatron and LHC

* Nothing more to squeeze out from improved, partial, resummed results. The only improvement now can come from the true NNLO corrections which should be expected soon.




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- Recently, the full NLO computations to the WWbb process (with mb=0) were calculated by two independent groups. [Denner et al.; Bevilacqua et al.]
- Compared to the LO WWbb production, the NLO corrections do **not** lead to an overall change in normalization:







- A full calculation with m_b≠0 would have a much larger phenomenological impact
- Consistent description of top pair, single top and non-resonant contributions at NLO
- Particularly important when cuts require tops to be off-shell
- No need to disentangle top pair and Wt and apply separate K-factors when studying the "top" background to e.g. H → WW.



Add it to the desiderata...





$$A_{CC}^{t\bar{t}} = \frac{\sigma(\Delta y > 0) - \sigma(\Delta y < 0)}{\sigma(\Delta y > 0) + \sigma(\Delta y < 0)}$$



Other definitions are used: lab frame at Tevatron, central charge [Antunano, et al,] and one-side asymmetries [Wang et al. 2010] at the LHC which depend on a cut. A_{CC} at the LHC has been introduced by CMS (in terms of pseudo-rapidity). LHCB does not need any special definition [Kagan et al.]

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Note, on the other hand, the interesting pattern: t tbar : LO=0 + Virtual>0 (large) + Real<0 (small) = 0.05t tbar j : LO<0 (-0.08) + Virtual>0 (large) + Real<0 (small) = -0.02t tbar jj : LO<0

Virtuals always dominate : what about the two-loop contributions? to be seen...



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New Physics





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- * New Physics model with top partners (SUSY, UED, LH, 4th Gen..)
- * Consider viable benchmark points.
- * Identify the signatures with top.
- * Set exclusion limits on the model parameters
- * Optional : learn "model independent" lessons...







- b'b' → t t W= W+
- t't' → b b W+ W-
- $t't' \rightarrow ZZtt$





• 4tops

In general, very rich and energetic final states, large H_T, very spectacular and "easy" to detect in principle. Looks great, if one model at the time is studied. In fact, very difficult to discriminate which NP leads to it.

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Model independent (bottom-up) strategy for New Physics :

I. Focus on a specific SM observable that is

a. naturally sensitive to BSMb. is well-predicted & possibly "background free"

and look for deviations

2. Look for "exotic top signatures" (no-SM equivalent),





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NEW PHYSICS : TWO POSSIBILITIES







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$$h = c = 1$$
$$\dim A^{\mu} = 1$$
$$\dim \phi = 1$$
$$\dim \psi = 3/2$$



$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_{i} \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{\dim=6}$$

Bad News: > 60 operators [Buchmuller, Wyler, 1986] Good News : an handful are unconstrained and can significantly contribute to top physics! [Aguilar-Saavedra 2010, Willenbrock et al. 2010, Degrande et al 2010]

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 \Rightarrow 2Re(A_{SM} · A⁺_{BSM})

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Very few operators of dim-6:

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Dim-6 operators that affect top pair production **at tree level by interference with the SM** (QCD) amplitudes (we neglect weak corrections)

Top-philic operators

(modifying top couplings and not only gluons couplings)

operator	process			
$O_{\phi q}^{(3)} = i(\phi^+ \tau^I D_\mu \phi)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu \tau^I q)$	top decay, single top			
$O_{tW} = (\bar{q}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\tau^I t)\tilde{\phi}W^I_{\mu\nu}$ (with real coefficient)	top decay, single top			
$O_{qq}^{(1,3)} = (\bar{q}^i \gamma_\mu \tau^I q^j) (\bar{q} \gamma^\mu \tau^I q)$	single top			
$O_{tG} = (\bar{q}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\lambda^A t)\tilde{\phi}G^A_{\mu\nu}$ (with real coefficient)	single top, $q\bar{q}, gg \to t\bar{t}$			
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TTBAR PRODUCTION

One can show that you end up with five main operators,

$$\mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}} = \mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}}^{SM} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \left[g_h \mathcal{O}_{hg} + c_R \mathcal{O}_{Rg} + a_R \mathcal{O}_{Ra}^8 + (R \leftrightarrow L) \right]$$

and in case one is interested only in total rates (and spin independent / FB symmetries) only three parameters are left : g_h , $c_V = c_{R+}c_L$ and $a_A = a_R - a_R$







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Non-resonant top philic new physics can be probed using measurements in top pair production at hadron colliders

This model-independent analysis can be performed in terms of 8 operators.

Observables depend on different combinations of only 4 parameters:

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$$d\sigma(q\bar{q} \to t\bar{t})/dm_{tt} \qquad \leftrightarrow \quad c_{hg}, c_{Vv}$$

$$A_{FB} \qquad \leftrightarrow \quad c_{Aa}$$
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with:

$$\mathcal{O}_{RR} = [\bar{t}_R \gamma^\mu u_R] [\bar{t}_R \gamma_\mu u_R] \qquad \mathcal{O}_{LL}^{(1)} = [\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu q_L] [\bar{Q}_L \gamma_\mu q_L] \qquad \mathcal{O}_{LL}^{(3)} = [\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu \sigma^a q_L] [\bar{Q}_L \gamma_\mu \sigma^a q_L] \mathcal{O}_{LR}^{(1)} = [\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu q_L] [\bar{t}_R \gamma_\mu u_R] \qquad \mathcal{O}_{LR}^{(8)} = [\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu T^A q_L] [\bar{t}_R \gamma_\mu T^A u_R]$$

All the effects given by the (heavy) resonances written before can be written in terms of the operators.

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \left[\left(\left| c_{RR} \right|^2 + \left| c_{LL} \right|^2 \right) \frac{\left(s - 2m_t^2 \right)}{3\pi s} + \left(\left| c_{LR}^{(1)} \right|^2 + \frac{2}{9} \left| c_{LR}^{(8)} \right|^2 \right) \frac{\left(m_t^2 - t \right)^2 + \left(m_t^2 - u \right)^2}{16\pi s^2} \\ - \left(\left| c_{LR}^{(1)} \right|^2 + \frac{8}{3} \Re \left(c_{LR}^{(1)} c_{LR}^{(8)} \right) - \frac{2}{9} \left| c_{LR}^{(8)} \right|^2 \right) \frac{m_t^2}{24\pi s} \right].$$

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[Degrande, Gerard, Grojean, FM, Servant, 2011]

SAME SIGN TOPS

The Tevatron constraints on same-sign tops [CDF/PHYS/EXO/PUBLIC/10466] (pretty weak)



LHC start to put limits on same sign tops, but using a model...:



	$\sigma_{95}(tt)$ (pb)							
Mass range [GeV]	m(Z') = 100 GeV		m(Z') = 150 GeV		m(Z') = 200 GeV		$m(Z') \gg 1 \text{ TeV}$	
	exp.	obs.	exp.	obs.	exp.	obs.	exp.	obs.
$m(\mu^+\mu^+) > 15 \text{ GeV}$	24.8	21.8	23.0	20.3	22.4	19.7	36.6	32.2
$m(\mu^+\mu^+) > 100 \text{ GeV}$	5.4	3.6	4.7	3.1	4.4	2.9	6.1	4.1
$m(\mu^+\mu^+) > 200 \text{ GeV}$	4.1	4.1	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.9
$m(\mu^+\mu^+) > 300 \text{ GeV}$	5.5	5.5	4.1	4.1	3.7	₁ 3.7	2.8	2.8





[]. Andrea, B. Fuks, F.M., 2011]

MONOTOPS



Very unique signature. Two types of physics involved: R parity violation (RPV) and/or FCNC.

Most general simplified model leading to monotops:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L} &= \mathcal{L}_{SM} \\ &+ \phi \bar{u} \left[a_{FC}^0 + b_{FC}^0 \gamma_5 \right] u + V_\mu \bar{u} \left[a_{FC}^1 \gamma^\mu + b_{FC}^1 \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \right] u \\ &+ \epsilon^{ijk} \varphi_i \bar{d}_j^c \left[a_{SR}^q + b_{SR}^q \gamma_5 \right] d_k + \varphi_i \bar{u}^i \left[a_{SR}^{1/2} + b_{SR}^{1/2} \gamma_5 \right] \chi \\ &+ \epsilon^{ijk} \tilde{\varphi}_i \bar{d}_j^c \left[\tilde{a}_{SR}^q + \tilde{b}_{SR}^q \gamma_5 \right] u_k + \tilde{\varphi}_i \bar{d}^i \left[\tilde{a}_{SR}^{1/2} + \tilde{b}_{SR}^{1/2} \gamma_5 \right] \chi \\ &+ \epsilon^{ijk} X_{\mu,i} \ \bar{d}_j^c \left[a_{VR}^q \gamma^\mu + b_{VR}^q \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \right] d_k \\ &+ X_{\mu,i} \ \bar{u}^i \left[a_{VR}^{1/2} \gamma^\mu + b_{VR}^{1/2} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \right] \chi + \text{h.c.}, \end{split}$$





MONOTOPS

Study of the simplest signature: 3jets (and/or I boosted top)+nothing.



Models implemented in FeynRules + MG5. Pheno ready to go.





[Z. Dong, G. Durieux, JM Gerard, T. Han, F.M., 2011]

TOP & BARYON NUMBER VIOLATION

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{BNV}}^{\mathrm{dim}=6} = rac{1}{\Lambda^2} \sum_{i=1}^5 c_i \, O^{(i)}$$

Weinberg's dimension-6 operator basis reduce in case of top to only 2 independent ones:

 $O^{(s)} \equiv \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} [\overline{t^c_{\alpha}} (aP_L + bP_R)D_{\beta}] [\overline{U^c_{\gamma}} (cP_L + dP_R)E]$ $O^{(t)} \equiv \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} [\overline{t^c_{\alpha}} (a'P_L + b'P_R)E] [\overline{U^c_{\beta}} (c'P_L + d'P_R)D_{\gamma}]$



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Strongly constrained by proton decay due to two-loop contributions. Theory of flavor needed...

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