

# Flavor and $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$ : Flavored Colorons and Composite $t'$ 's

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## Plan

- Flavor and the top-antitop forward-backward asymmetry with B. Grinstein, M. Trott, J. Zupan, arXiv:1102.3374
  - MFV, flavor octet vectors, t-channel dominance
- New strong interaction realizations with M. Trott and J. Zupan, in progress
  - composite  $(u', c', t')$  weak singlet up quarks, composite flavor octet vectors,....
  - identification with technicolor: electroweak symmetry breaking
    - $W + jj$  ?

# **Flavor and the top-antitop forward-backward asymmetry**

# Issues for NP explanations of $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$

For  $M_{t\bar{t}} > 450$  GeV CDF measures:

$$A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}} = \frac{\sigma_F^{SM} + \sigma_F^{NP} - \sigma_B^{SM} - \sigma_B^{NP}}{\sigma_F^{SM} + \sigma_F^{NP} - \sigma_B^{SM} - \sigma_B^{NP}} = 0.475 \pm 0.114$$

$$\sigma^{t\bar{t}} = 1.9 \pm 0.5 \text{ pb}$$

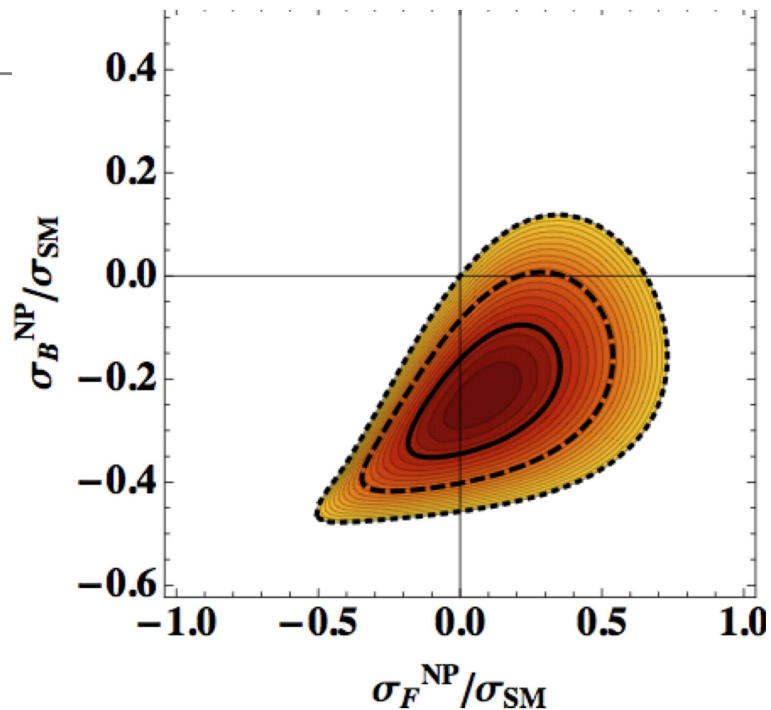
SM theory predictions for  $M_{t\bar{t}} > 450$  GeV:

$$A_{\text{NLO}}^{t\bar{t}} = 0.088 \pm 0.013 \text{ (3.4}\sigma \text{ discrepancy)}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO+NNLL}}^{t\bar{t}} = 2.26 \pm 0.18 \text{ pb Ahrens et al}$$

Can study

$$\sigma_B^{NP} / \sigma^{SM} \text{ vs. } \sigma_F^{NP} / \sigma^{SM} \text{ for } M_{t\bar{t}} > 450 \text{ GeV}$$



$\sigma_B^{NP} < 0 \Rightarrow$  NP interferes with SM

Therefore, s-channel explanation requires color octet vector

- $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}} \neq 0$  requires  $g_L^t \neq g_R^t, g_L^q \neq g_R^q \Rightarrow$  "Axigluon" or "Chiral gluon"
- FCNC's are an issue, e.g.,  $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$  mixing
- no s-channel  $M_{t\bar{t}}$  bump, no excess in high  $M_{t\bar{t}}$  bins, dijets  $\Rightarrow$  large  $M_V \sim 2$  TeV -see [Susanne Westhoff's talk](#)
  - moderate  $A_{FB} \lesssim 0.2$  achievable

## Low mass t-channel explanations have appealing features:

- vectors, e.g.,  $Z'$  and  $W'$ , with masses of a few hundred GeV yield large  $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$ , increases with  $M_{t\bar{t}}$ , as observed -Jung, Murayama, Pierce, Wells '10
- simultaneously, good agreement with measured spectrum at large  $M_{t\bar{t}}$  -Gresham, Kim, Zurek '11; Jung, Pierce, Wells '11
  - for large  $M_{t\bar{t}}$ , NP t-channel top production more forward
  - CDF's acceptance decreases rapidly at large rapidity
    - smaller impact on  $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$  due to coarser  $M_{t\bar{t}}$  binning

## Low mass $Z'$ , $W'$ have some problems

- $Z'$ : same sign top production
- $W'$ : single top production
- large  $Z' - u - t$  or  $W' - d - t$  couplings  $\Rightarrow$  FCNC's are an issue

# Minimal Flavor Violation: Flavor Symmetric Models

Quark sector formally invariant under the flavor group

$$G_F = U(3)_Q \times U(3)_u \times U(3)_d$$

if Yukawas promoted to spurions,  $Y'_{u,d} = V_Q Y_{u,d} V_{u,d}^\dagger$ .

To address problems mentioned above consider models for  $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$

- that do not contain additional breaking of the SM flavor group  $G_F$
- new fields can be in non-trivial representations of  $G_F$
- they have  $O(1)$  couplings to the top and light quarks

# Vectors in MFV

- Motivated by nice features of vector t-channel models
- There are 22 vector representations satisfying the MFV hypothesis  
(not all relevant to  $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$ )

Case	$SU(3)_c$	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_Y$	$SU(3)_{U_R} \times SU(3)_{D_R} \times SU(3)_{Q_L}$	Couples to
I <sub>s,o</sub>	1,8	1	0	(1,1,1)	$\bar{d}_R \gamma^\mu d_R$
II <sub>s,o</sub>	1,8	1	0	(1,1,1)	$\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu u_R$
III <sub>s,o</sub>	1,8	1	0	(1,1,1)	$\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu Q_L$
IV <sub>s,o</sub>	1,8	3	0	(1,1,1)	$\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu Q_L$
V <sub>s,o</sub>	1,8	1	0	(1,8,1)	$\bar{d}_R \gamma^\mu d_R$
VI <sub>s,o</sub>	1,8	1	0	(8,1,1)	$\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu u_R$
VII <sub>s,o</sub>	1,8	1	-1	( $\bar{3}$ ,3,1)	$\bar{d}_R \gamma^\mu u_R$
VIII <sub>s,o</sub>	1,8	1	0	(1,1,8)	$\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu Q_L$
IX <sub>s,o</sub>	1,8	3	0	(1,1,8)	$\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu Q_L$
X <sub><math>\bar{3},6</math></sub>	$\bar{3},6$	2	-1/6	(1,3,3)	$\bar{d}_R \gamma^\mu Q_L^c$
XI <sub><math>\bar{3},6</math></sub>	$\bar{3},6$	2	5/6	(3,1,3)	$\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu Q_L^c$



- Simplest possibilities are the  $SU(3)_{U_R}$  **flavor octet** color octet or color singlet vectors coupling only to RH up quarks

$$\mathcal{L} = \lambda \bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu V_\mu^{o,s} u_R + \text{MFV corrections}$$

- color octet:**  $V_\mu^o = V_\mu^{A,B} T^A T^B$

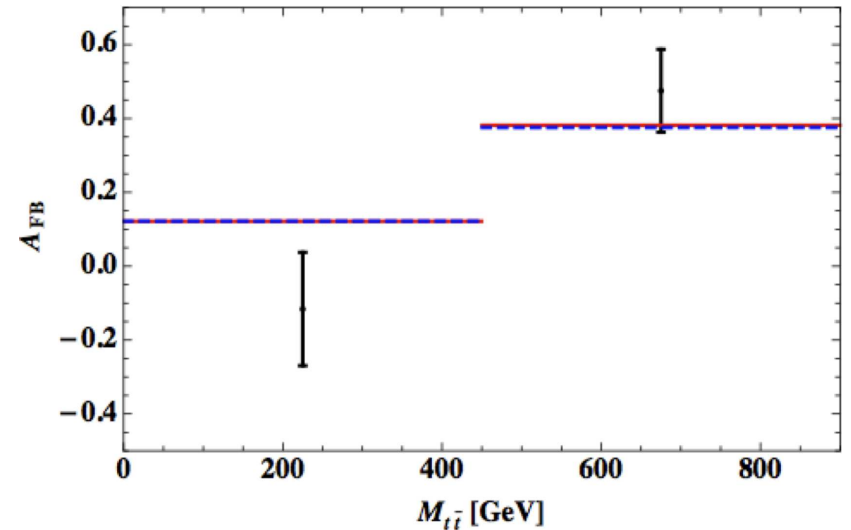
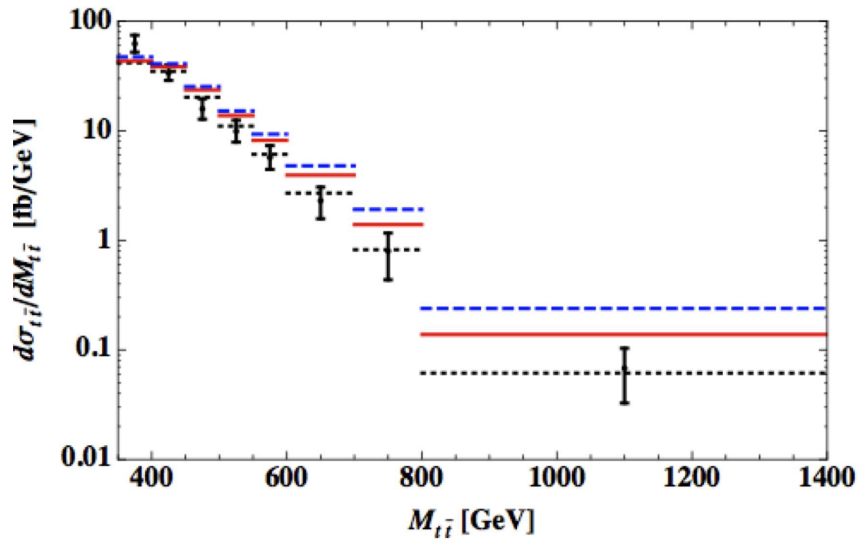
- color singlet:**  $V_\mu^s = V_\mu^A T^A$

t – channel  $(V_\mu^4 - iV_\mu^5)(\bar{t}_R \gamma^\mu u_R) + \dots$

s – channel  $V_\mu^8(\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu u_R + \bar{c}_R \gamma^\mu c_R - 2\bar{t}_R \gamma^\mu t_R)$

- color octet:  $t\bar{t}$  production t-channel dominated
- color singlet: s-channel larger than for color octet  $\Rightarrow$  problematic for  $M_{t\bar{t}}$  bump and dijets at Tevatron
- MFV corrections split  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $\bar{t}q$ , and  $\bar{q}q$  couplings, preserve  $SU(2)_{U_R}$  symmetry
- Flavor symmetry  $\Rightarrow$  no like sign top or single top production; negligible FCNC's:  $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$  mixing

# $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$ and $d\sigma/dM_{t\bar{t}}$ for the octet of color and flavor



$A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$  and  $d\sigma(t\bar{t})/dM_{t\bar{t}}$ , for two different values of  $(m_V, \sqrt{\lambda_{qq}\lambda_{33}}, \lambda_{q3}, \Gamma_V/m_V)$ : **solid red** (300 GeV, 1, 1.33, 0.08); **dashed blue** (1200 GeV, 2.2, 4.88, 0.5), that give approximately the same  $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$  in the high mass bin

- CDF rapidity acceptance corrections (in progress) should eliminate  $M_{t\bar{t}} > 600$  GeV spectrum excesses for light vector example
- Dijet constraints: require moderate flavor symmetry breaking for light vectors; large breaking for heavy vectors

**Strong interaction realizations:  
composite  $t'$ 's, flavored colorons**

## The set-up

- can we build models with composite flavor octet vector mesons which naturally only couple to right-handed up quarks?
- already have a very nice example of flavor octet composite vector mesons in QCD
- add a new asymptotically free  $SU(N)_{HC}$  "hypercolor" gauge interaction, with strong interaction scale  $\Lambda_{HC} \sim 1/2$  TeV
- add a new weak singlet vectorlike "flavor triplet" of left-handed and right-handed hypercolor quarks,  $(\omega_{L_i}, \omega_{R_i})$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ), and a new hypercolored scalar,  $\tilde{s}$ , transforming under  $SU(N)_{HC} \times SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  as

$$\text{model A : } \omega_{L_i, R_i} (N, 1, 1, 2/3), \quad \tilde{s}(\bar{N}, 3, 1, 0)$$

$$\text{model B : } \omega_{L_i, R_i} (N, 3, 1, 2/3), \quad \tilde{s}(N, 1, 1, 0)$$

with new Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{NP} = \mathbf{h}_{ij} \bar{u}_{Ri} \omega_{Li} \tilde{s} + h.c. + \mu_{ij} \bar{\omega}_i \omega_j + m_s^2 |\tilde{s}|^2$$

$u_{Ri}$  are the ordinary right handed quarks ( $u_R, c_R, t_R$ )

- could "supersymmetrize" in order to protect the scalar masses, or could imagine that scalars are composites of some yet higher energy interaction,.....

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- hypercolor sector only couples to the right-handed up quarks
  - consequence of choice of representations for  $\omega$ ,  $\tilde{s}$  (hypercharge assignments)
  - $SU(3)_{UR}$  symmetry of  $\mathcal{L}_{NP}$  could be an accidental consequence of  $SU(3)_H$  horizontal gauge symmetry at some large UV scale responsible for generating the quark mass and mixing hierarchies via a Frogatt-Nielsen type mechanism
- imposing MFV  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{h}_{ij} = h \delta_{ij}, \quad \mu_{ij} = \mu \delta_{ij}$
- MFV corrections  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{h} = \text{diag}(h_1, h_1, h_3), \quad \mu = \text{diag}(\mu_1, \mu_1, \mu_3)$

consider model A:  $\omega_{L_i, R_i}(N, 1, 1, 2/3), \quad \tilde{s}(\bar{N}, 3, 1, 0)$

- vectors  $\rho^{HC}[\bar{\omega}\omega], a_1[\bar{\omega}\omega]$  are flavor "nonets" 8 + 1
- vector P-wave bound state of the scalars  $[\tilde{s}^* \tilde{s}]$ , flavor singlet
- $\langle \bar{\omega}\omega \rangle \neq 0$  breaks global chiral symmetry

$$SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \rightarrow SU(3)_V$$

⇒ flavor octet of hypercolor pions  $\pi^{HC}$ , heavier  $\eta'_{HC}$

- mass scales: scale up from QCD

$$\frac{f_\pi^{HC}}{f_\pi} \sim \frac{f_\rho^{HC}}{f_\rho} \sim \frac{m_{\rho_{HC}}}{m_\rho} \sqrt{\frac{N_{HC}}{3}}$$

Motivated by vector flavor/color octet analysis of  $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$

- $m_\rho^{HC} \sim 300 - 500 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow f_\pi^{HC} \sim 30 - 60 \text{ GeV} (N_{HC} = 3)$
- $\Lambda_{\chi SB} \sim 4\pi f_\pi^{HC} \sim 400 - 700 \text{ GeV}$

•  $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}} \Rightarrow O(1) \rho - \bar{t} - t$  coupling  $\lambda$

• perturbative Yukawa couplings  $h$  require scalar  $m_{\tilde{s}} < \Lambda_{HC}$ . Naive dimensional analysis (NDA) implies

$$\lambda \sim h^2 \frac{f_\rho}{\Lambda_{HC}}$$

or  $h = O(\text{few})$

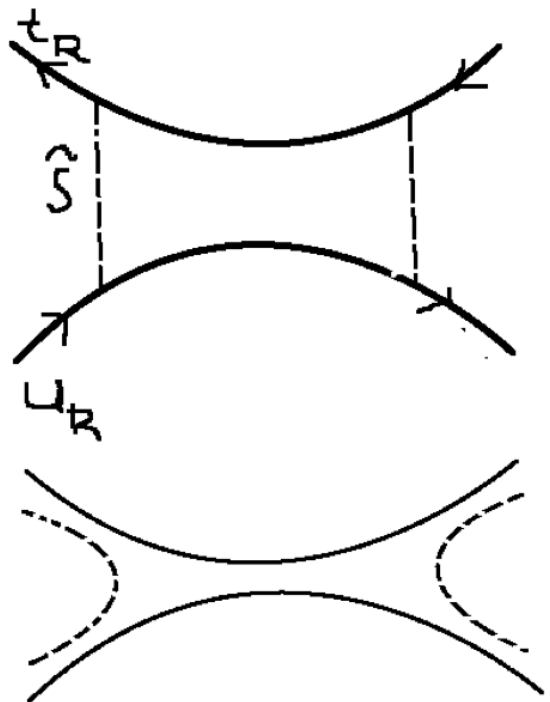
• a modified resonance picture emerges, in which we also have a new flavor triplet of weak singlet vectorlike up quarks,

$$u'[\tilde{s}\omega_1], \quad c'[\tilde{s}\omega_2], \quad t'[\tilde{s}\omega_3]$$

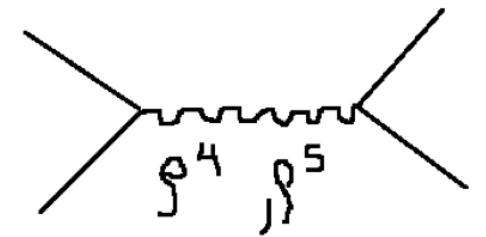
with masses of  $O(m_\rho^{\text{HC}})$  or  $O(1/2 \text{ TeV})$

$$\langle u_{R_i} | \bar{\omega}_{R_i} \tilde{s}^* | 0 \rangle \sim f_U \bar{u}_{R_i} \text{ with } f_U \sim f_\rho^{\text{HC}}$$

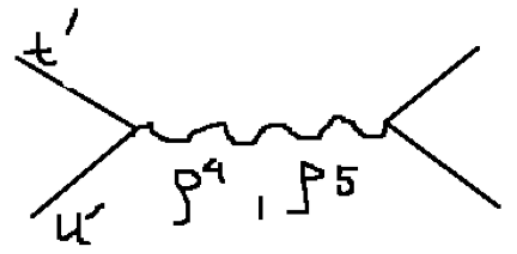
•  $t\bar{t}$  production via exchange of  $\rho^a$ ,  $a_1^a$  and large mixing of the composite  $u'_{R_i}$ 's with the ordinary  $u_{R_i}$



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- The new composite quarks can be quite broad! via decays to ordinary RH up quarks and HC pions,  $\pi^a$ , e.g.,

$$u'_i \rightarrow \pi^a + t$$

- using NDA for the couplings of the  $\pi^a$  to the  $u'$ 's

$$O(4\pi) \bar{u}'_{R_i} T_{ij}^b \pi^b u'_{L_j} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Gamma_{u'}/M_{u'} \sim 10 - 30\%$$

is possible, compared with  $\approx 1\%$  for the top quark

- detection at LHC via

$$u'_i \rightarrow t + \pi^a$$

- Model A: the  $\pi^a$  are stable, color neutral
- Model B: the  $\pi^a$  are color octets, decay to two jets  $\pi^a \rightarrow gg$