

Simultaneous determination of SMEFT parameters and PDFs

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Difficult to determine on theoretical basis (obtained through fits)

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$$\sigma = \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \sum_{q_1, q_2} f_{q_1}(x_1) f_{q_2}(x_2) \hat{\sigma}(x_1, x_2)$$

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NNPDF4.0 [2109.02653] Kinematic coverage



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e.g. Dijet data used to fit the SMEFT operator in *F. Krauss et. al, 1611.00767*





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Where to look?

SMEFT-PDF interplay in top arXiv:2303.06159

The **top sector** has been used in multiple EFT analyses, ¹⁰⁶ including **SMEFiT** (2105.00006) and **FitMaker** (2012.02779).

PDFs: the top sector is relevant for **high-x** $\bar{q}q$ lumi + **gluon** lumi

EFT: ~ 20 operators affect top processes

Dataset superset of SMEFiT & FitMaker

 $t\bar{t}$ (incl. A_C), $t\bar{t} + X$,

single t, tZ, tW, \dots



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Also: NN good at interpolating, bad in extrapolation

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Shift in PDF not as dramatic as SM

gg luminosity $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$









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Enhanced PDF uncertainties



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Backup

Outline



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Theory assumptions

Measurements

Model the proton

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- Define target operators: e.g. top-philic EFT [arXiv:1802.07237]
- Find optimal observables to probe them
- Compute with precision theoretical predictions (both SM and EFT)
- Make accurate measurements

59 operators flavour universal

2499 operators flavour general

X ³		φ^6 and $\varphi^4 D^2$		$\psi^2 arphi^3$	
Q_G	$f^{ABC}G^{A u}_{\mu}G^{B ho}_{ u}G^{C\mu}_{ ho}$	Q_{arphi}	$(arphi^\dagger arphi)^3$	Q_{earphi}	$(arphi^\dagger arphi) (ar{l}_p e_r arphi)$
$Q_{\widetilde{G}}$	$f^{ABC}\widetilde{G}^{A u}_{\mu}G^{B ho}_{ u}G^{C\mu}_{ ho}$	$Q_{arphi \Box}$	$(arphi^\daggerarphi) \Box (arphi^\daggerarphi)$	Q_{uarphi}	$(arphi^\dagger arphi) (ar q_p u_r \widetilde arphi)$
Q_W	$\varepsilon^{IJK}W^{I u}_{\mu}W^{J ho}_{ u}W^{K\mu}_{ ho}$	$Q_{arphi D}$	$\left(arphi^{\dagger} D^{\mu} arphi ight)^{\star} \left(arphi^{\dagger} D_{\mu} arphi ight) ight.$	Q_{darphi}	$(arphi^\dagger arphi) (ar q_p d_r arphi)$
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$Q_{lq}^{(1)}$	$(ar{l}_p\gamma_\mu l_r)(ar{q}_s\gamma^\mu q_t)$	Q_{eu}	$(ar{e}_p \gamma_\mu e_r) (ar{u}_s \gamma^\mu u_t)$	Q_{qe}	$(ar{q}_p \gamma_\mu q_r) (ar{e}_s \gamma^\mu e_t)$	
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Many observables and final states



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Degrande et al, arXiv:2008.11743
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Quadratic contribution: useful information in many instances

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Global SMEFT fits	J. Ellis et. al, 1803.03252
	E. da Silva Almeida et. al, 1812.01009
Higgs, diboson and electroweak precision data	A. Biekötter et. al, 1812.07587
	A. Falkowski et. al, 1911.07866
	I. Brivio et. al, 1910.03606:
Top data	N. Hartland et. al, 1901.05965:
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Higgs, diboson, top and electroweak precision data	J. Ellis et. al, 2012.02779



Global fit result

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- Fits can be interpreted in UV completion models
- Bounds on coefficient translate on bounds on mass or couplings
- Simple case: single field extension

Ellis et al: arXiv:2012.02779

The SMEFT proton

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W helicities	4	0.71	0.45		0.47
$t\bar{t}Z$	12	1.19	1.17		0.94
$t\bar{t}W$	4	1.71	0.46		1.66
$t ar{t} \gamma$	2	0.47	0.03		0.59
$t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ & $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$	8	1.32	1.06		0.49
single top	30	0.504	0.33		0.37
tW	6	1.00	0.82		0.82
tZ	5	0.45	0.30		0.31
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Different approach is needed





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