

Stealthy new strong interactions

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UnMotivational remarks

Yes, we have not discovered NP yet.

But:

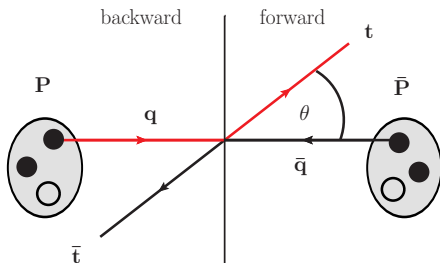
- LHC is a hadron machine → environment with large background
- many NP searches (have to) rely on leptonic final states or MET
- LHC13 starts next year

Questions:

- Is it possible that we missed some NP?
- Can it have $O(1)$ couplings to the SM?
- Could the A_{FB} be a first manifestation?

- A_{FB} present situation
- What we know from toy-models.
- UV-complete strong-interaction realisation
- Phenomenology at Tevatron and LHC.

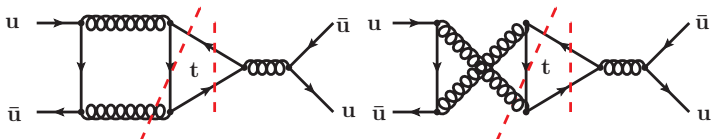
Top-quark forward-backward asymmetry



CDF/D0 \rightarrow more tops in forward direction

QCD $\rightarrow A_{FB} = 0$ at tree level,

$A_{FB} > 0$ at NLO from real and virtual gluons



Tevatron: top-quark forward-backward asymmetry

$$A_{\text{FB}}^{\text{inc,CDF}} = (16.4 \pm 4.7)\%$$

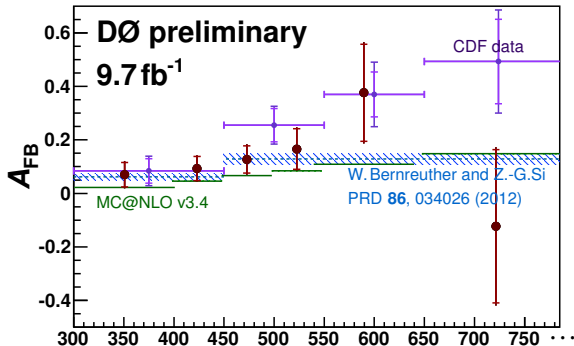
[CDF, arXiv:1211.1003]

$$A_{\text{FB}}^{\text{inc,D0}} = (10.6 \pm 3.0)\%$$

[D0, arXiv:1405.0421]

$$A_{\text{FB}}^{\text{inc,average}} = (12.3 \pm 2.5)\%$$

$$A_{\text{FB}}^{\text{inc,SM}} = (8.8 \pm 0.6)\%$$



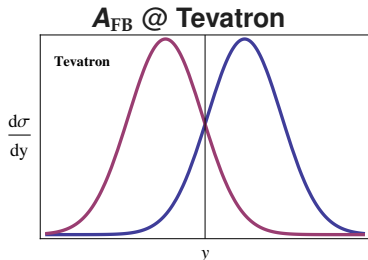
- rise with $m_{t\bar{t}}$ and Δy
- middle bins still give $\approx 3\sigma$ tension
- D0 has large errors in high bins

① requirement on NP

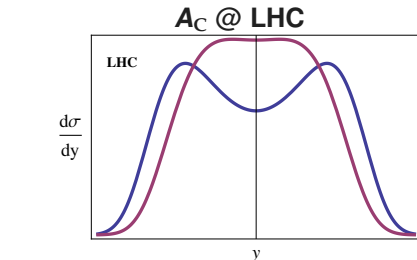
LHC: top-quark charge asymmetry

@LHC initial state is symmetric \rightarrow no A_{FB} . Instead

$$A_C = \frac{N(|y_t| > |y_{\bar{t}}|) - N(|y_t| < |y_{\bar{t}}|)}{N(|y_t| > |y_{\bar{t}}|) + N(|y_t| < |y_{\bar{t}}|)}$$



Purple: anti-top distribution



Blue: top distribution [Ahrens et al., 12]

Good agreement with SM:

$$A_C(7\text{TeV}) = (1.0 \pm 0.8)\% \quad [\text{ATLAS, CMS}]$$

$$A_C^{\text{SM}}(7\text{TeV}) = (1.23 \pm 0.05)\%$$

$$A_C(8\text{TeV}) = (0.5 \pm 0.9)\% \quad [\text{CMS}]$$

$$A_C^{\text{SM}}(8\text{TeV}) = (1.11 \pm 0.04)\%$$

[Bernreuther, Si; 12]

② requirement on NP

◦ A_{FB} comes from **interference** with SM

[Grinstein et al.; 11]

→ Favoured scenarios:

s-channel: colour-octet vector with axial couplings

(heavy axigluon)

t-channel: colour-singlet or coloured resonances

(flavoured gauge bosons, flavoured resonances?)

◦ t-channel mediator ≈ 150 GeV

→ A_{FB} rises with $m_{t\bar{t}}$

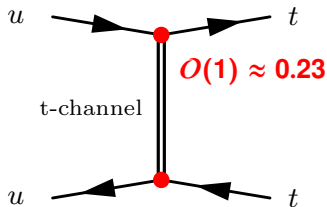
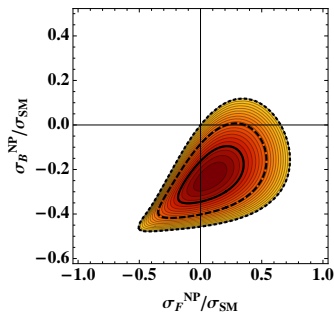
[Jung et al.; 09]

→ compatible with diff. $t\bar{t}$ x-section

[Gresham et al.; 11]

→ $O(1) \bar{t}_R \Psi_{UR}$ couplings from flavour-symmetric sector favoured

[Grinstein et al.; 11]



③ requirement on NP

uv complete model with t-channel solution for the A_{FB}

- A_{FB} increasing with $m_{\tilde{t}\bar{t}} / \Delta y$
→ $M_{\text{med}} \approx 150 \text{ GeV}$ with $O(1)$ couplings to t - u
- A_{C} compatible with SM
→ possible through associate production of med. if
 $\text{BR}(\text{mediator} \rightarrow t\bar{u}) \approx 20\%$ [Drobnak et al.; 12]
→ need another dominant decay channel
- compatible with differential $t\bar{t}$ spectra
- compatible with same-sign, single top searches & FCNCs
→ flavour-symmetric sector
- not yet discovered at LHC

a new stealth strongly-coupled sector can naturally have such resonances

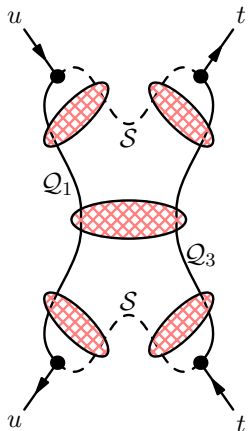
Strong interaction realisation

Idea:

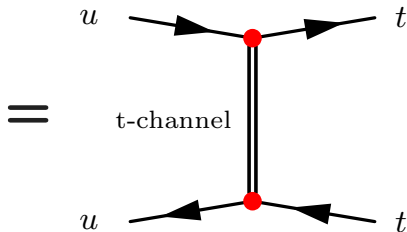
- ① **confinement** of **new** asymptotically-free $SU(N)_{HC}$
(around 200 GeV)
- ② **breaking of chiral symmetry** of new HC quarks
(just like QCD)
- ③ HC quarks form colour/HC singlet **bound states**
($\pi_{HC}, \rho_{HC}, K_{HC}^*, a_{1HC}, \dots$)
- ④ $O(1)$ couplings **only** to right-handed up-type quarks
(due to hypercharge assignment, couplings through partial compositeness)
- ⑤ $U(2)_{u_R}$ symmetry protects from dangerous FCNCs
(just 5 new parameters)
- ⑥ A_{FB} from resonances in the t-channel
(mediator has naturally a dominant decay channel other than $t\bar{u}$)

How it works

UV picture



IR picture



The model

- under $SU(3)_{\text{HC}} \times SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

$$Q_{Li,Ri}(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{0}) \quad S(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2/3})$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NP}} \supset m_{Q_{ij}} \bar{Q}_i Q_j + m_S^2 |S|^2 + (h_{ij} \bar{u}_{Ri} Q_{Lj} S + h.c.)$$

- chiral-symmetry breaking from **HC quark** condensate
(copy of QCD)
- coupling to SM through colour-triplet **HC-antitriplet scalar S**
("analogous" to QED in QCD)
- $\langle SQ \rangle$ has charge of up-type quarks (u')
 - up-type quarks rendered partial composite
 - large mixing with 3rd generation
- $U(2)_{u_R}$ flavour symmetry ala MFV
 - $m_{Q_{ij}} = \text{diag}(m_1, m_1, m_3)$ and $h_{ij} = \text{diag}(h_1, h_1, h_3)$

A viable benchmark

How do we get the **IR** spectrum/couplings from the **UV** parameters?

QCD as prototype

- o pheno. quark model to fit meson masses from quark masses [Cheng, Shrock; 11]
- o naive rescaling from Λ_{QCD} up to Λ_{HC} (e.g. $M_{\rho_{\text{QCD}}}/M_{\rho_{\text{HC}}} = f_{\rho_{\text{QCD}}}/f_{\rho_{\text{HC}}}$)
- o vector-meson dominance for estimating strong couplings

We then perform a χ^2 fit including A_{FB} , A_{C} and $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda_{\chi_{\text{HC}}} \approx 180 \text{ GeV} &\equiv \Lambda_{\chi_{\text{QCD}}} \approx 700 \text{ MeV} \\ Q_1 [3\text{GeV}], Q_2 [3\text{GeV}], Q_3 [20\text{GeV}] \text{ of HC} &\equiv u, d, s \text{ of QCD} \\ S [500\text{GeV}] \text{ of HC} > \Lambda_{\chi_{\text{HC}}} &\equiv c \text{ of QCD}\end{aligned}$$

octet of (pseudo)-Nambu Goldstone bosons $\langle Q_i Q_j \rangle$

$$\pi_{\text{HC}} [60 \text{ GeV}], \quad K_{\text{HC}} [140 \text{ GeV}], \quad \eta_{\text{HC}} [161 \text{ GeV}]$$

(neglect η - η' mixing)

nonet of vectors $\langle Q_i Q_j \rangle$

$$\rho_{\text{HC}} [177 \text{ GeV}], \quad K_{\text{HC}}^* [210 \text{ GeV}], \quad \Omega_{\text{HC}} [180 \text{ GeV}], \quad \Phi_{\text{HC}} [240 \text{ GeV}]$$

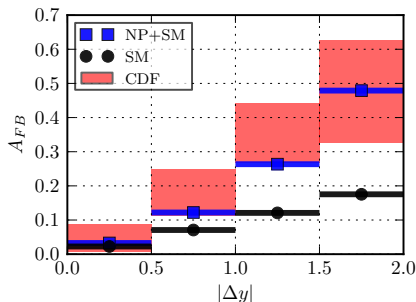
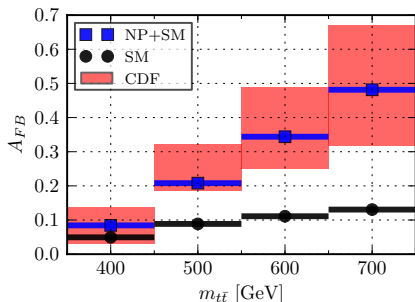
(K_{HC}^* main contribution to A_{FB} because Ω_{HC} Φ_{HC} ideally mixed)

would-be u 's $\langle Q_i S \rangle$

similar to top in SM: S decays before forming $\langle Q_i S \rangle$

$$\Gamma(S \rightarrow u_j \bar{Q}_j) \propto m_S |h_j|^2 \approx 240 \text{ GeV}$$

This benchmark has $h_1 \approx 2$ and $h_3 \approx 4$. Problem? Low Landau pole? Is the QCD breaking pattern disturbed? Currently looking into this.



A_{FB} - A_C correlation naturally broken by associate K_{HC}^* production
(since K_{HC}^* not self-conjugate and $BR(K_{HC}^* \rightarrow t\bar{u}_{HC}) \approx 30\%$)

$A_C(7 \text{ TeV}) = 2.45\%$ (no associates) \rightarrow 1.37% (with associates)

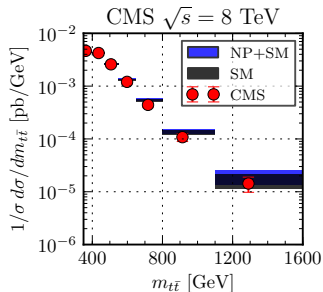
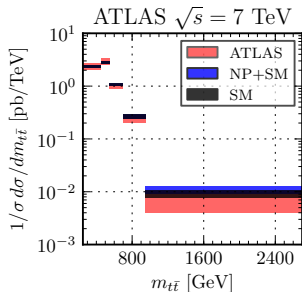
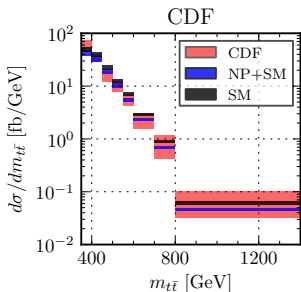
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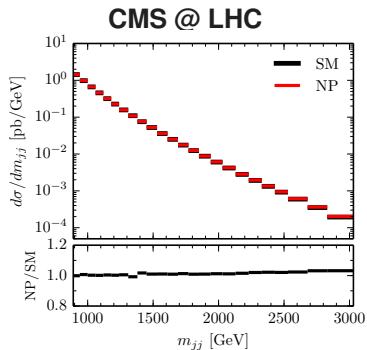
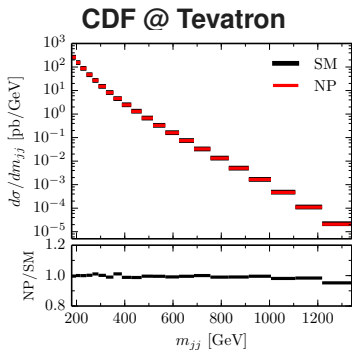
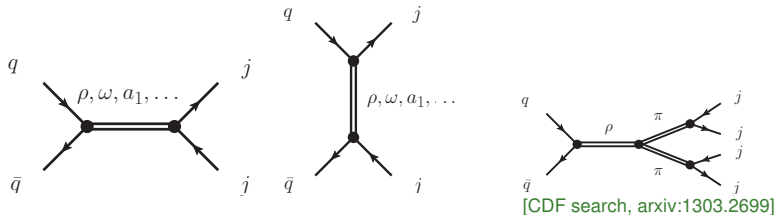
Differential $t\bar{t}$ cross section at Tevatron and LHC



| $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ | SM + NP | experiment |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Tevatron | 6.38 ± 0.54 pb | 7.50 ± 0.48 pb |
| LHC (7 TeV) | 176 ± 15 pb | 172.4 ± 8.5 pb |
| LHC (8 TeV) | 251 ± 20 pb | 234 ± 8 pb |

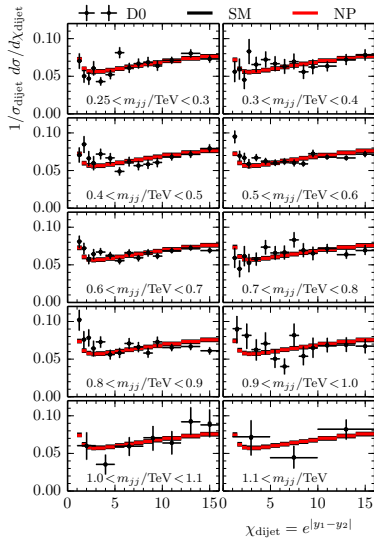


m_{jj} dijet spectra and dijet pairs constraints

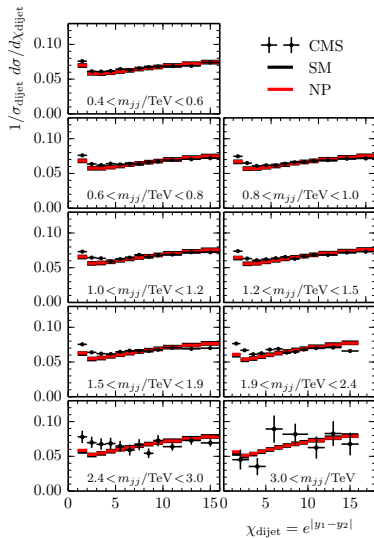


Dijet angular distributions

D0 @ Tevatron



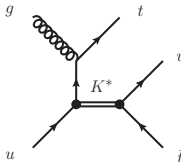
CMS @ LHC



Top-jet resonance searches

$$\sigma_{K^*t} \times \text{Br}_{K^* \rightarrow \bar{t}j} = 0.07 \text{ pb}$$

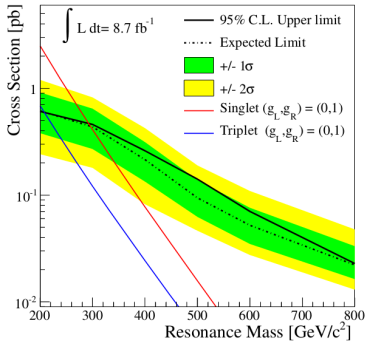
$$\sigma_{K_1t} \times \text{Br}_{K_1 \rightarrow \bar{t}j} = 0.008 \text{ pb}$$



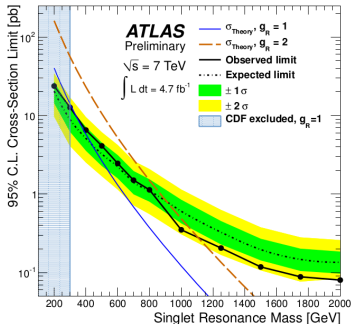
$$\sigma_{K^*t} \times \text{Br}_{K^* \rightarrow \bar{t}j} = 4.4 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{K_1t} \times \text{Br}_{K_1 \rightarrow \bar{t}j} = 0.8 \text{ pb}$$

CDF [1203.3894]



ATLAS [CONF-2012-096]



→ Possible signal at LHC13.

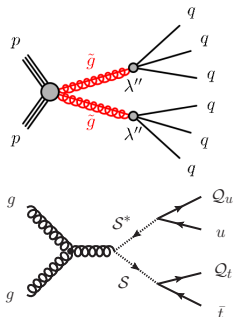


S production and multi-jet searches

- ATLAS searches for multi-jets from gluinos with RPV decays.

[ATLAS-CONF-2013-091]

- S also decays to high multiplicity jets.

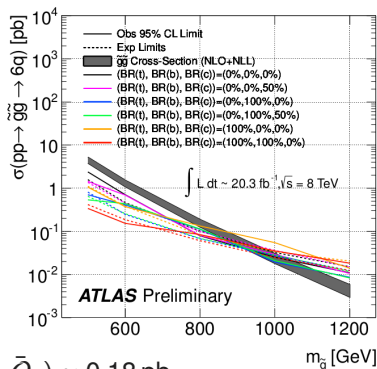


$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow SS^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}Q_q\bar{Q}_q) \approx 0.18 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow SS^* \rightarrow q\bar{t}\bar{Q}_qQ_t + \bar{q}tQ_q\bar{Q}_t) \approx 0.6 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow SS^* \rightarrow t\bar{t}Q_t\bar{Q}_t) \approx 0.6 \text{ pb}$$

→ Another possible signal at LHC13



Conclusions

- We constructed a **uv-complete model** with many **low-mass resonances** from a new strongly interacting sector.
 - natural (does not address the hierarchy problem)
 - $O(1)$ couplings to up-type quarks
- It is **stealth @ LHC**
 - multi-jet final state
 - no MET, no leptonic final states
 - can give **large** A_{FB}
- Good prospects for discovery at LHC13 and is a proof of principle for what we may have missed.

LHC results...

125 GeV
palm tree

[Avelino Vicentes talk]

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Avelino Vicente - FlavorKit: Flavor physics beyond the SM



Backup

Associated K production

- Recall $M_K = 143 \text{ GeV}$
 - Contribution to single top + W production?
 $\sigma_{tW} < 1.7 \text{ pb}$ (cf. $\sigma_{tW} = 16_{-4}^{+5} \text{ pb}$ [CMS, arxiv:1209.3489])
 - Contribution to $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$?
 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} < 11 \text{ pb}$ (cf. $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 239 \pm 13 \text{ pb}$ [CMS, arxiv:1312.7582])
 - \Rightarrow Contributions smaller than current exp. error

