

Top EFT prospects with differential spin observables

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Motivations

The large top mass $m_t \sim 173 \text{ GeV} \leftrightarrow y_t \sim 1$ in the SM $\iff \mathbf{t} \heartsuit \mathbf{H}$

- t -quark chief troublemaker creating hierarchy problem. Naturalness: if NP stabilizes EW scale, should **expect that BSM is t -philic**
- $m_t > m_W + m_b \implies \Gamma_t \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$. Decay rate $>$ hadronisation timescale, so **spin information preserved in decay products**.
- Measuring angular distributions gives **additional information on production/decay mechanism**, sensitive to $\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{CP} \dots$
- (HL-)LHC: $\sim 3 \times 10^9 t\bar{t}$ pairs at $4ab^{-1}$. Both **precision and a wide array of differential measurements possible**.

Question:

What are the prospects for **constraining sources of NP**, in differential distributions sensitive to **t -polarisation and spin-correlations**?

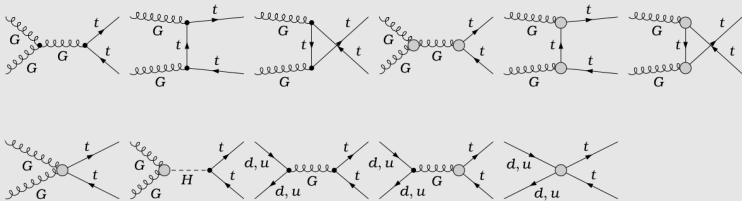
Non-resonant BSM with the SMEFT

The future divides into two possibilities:

- $\sqrt{s}_{\text{LHC}} \geq \Lambda_{\text{NP}}$: resonances accessible, measure properties
- $\sqrt{s}_{\text{LHC}} < \Lambda_{\text{NP}}$: states decoupled, observe only off-shell effects

Latter case: **construct general gauge-invariant** $\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}}$ from operators at each order in $1/\Lambda_{\text{NP}}$, constrain NP in contact interactions $\propto C_i/\Lambda^2$:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} \equiv \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}}^{(4)}(\{\Phi_{\text{SM}}\}) + \frac{C_i}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \mathcal{O}_i^{(d)}(\{\Phi_{\text{SM}}\}) + \dots$$



An example: new physics in $t\bar{t}$ production

Coefficient C_i	Operator \mathcal{O}_i
C_G	$f_{ABC} G_\mu^{A\nu} G_\nu^{B\lambda} G_\lambda^{C\mu}$
C_{uG}^{33}	$(\bar{q}\sigma^{\mu\nu}T^A u)\tilde{\phi}G_{\mu\nu}^A$
$C_{qq}^{(1)}$	$(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu q)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu q)$
$C_{qq}^{(3)}$	$(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu\tau^I q)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu\tau^I q)$
C_{uu}	$(\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u)(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu u)$
$C_{qu}^{(8)}$	$(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu T^A q)(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu T^A u)$
$C_{qd}^{(8)}$	$(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu T^A q)(\bar{d}\gamma^\mu T^A d)$
$C_{ud}^{(8)}$	$(\bar{u}\gamma_\mu T^A u)(\bar{d}\gamma^\mu T^A d)$

Table: \mathcal{O}_i ($pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$): viable UV models

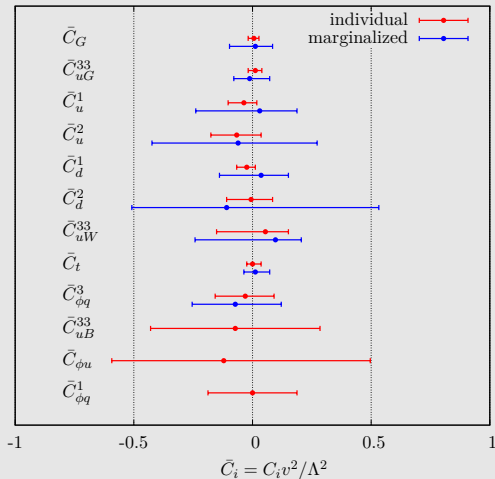
TOPFITTER: use parton-level top measurements to extract marginalised constraints on C_i in (primarily) $t\bar{t}$ + single- t production.

EFT can constrain multiple BSM models simultaneously:

- Heavy coloured fermions, technihadrons. . .
- Compositeness, stops, 2HDM. . .
- W' & Z' s
- Heavy (axi)gluons. . .
- Allow **all** \mathcal{O}_i **simultaneously**
 \implies **global fit (1512.03360)**

TOPFITTER v1.0 at a glance - Global 95% C.I.

- Limits 'weak': **weakly coupled UV unconstrained!**
- Partonic distributions \implies **see only 4 I.c. of 6 ψ^4 operators**
- One route to improvement: include **distributions of decay products \implies probe $t\bar{t}$ spins**
- Sensitive to \mathcal{P} , \mathcal{CP} -odd \mathcal{O}_i , break ψ^4 degeneracies, derive **complementary bounds**. . .
- Requires comparing distributions at the **particle level**



Inferring $t\bar{t}$ spins from decay modes

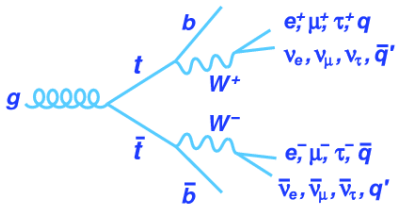


Figure: $t\bar{t}$ decay modes

$W^+ \backslash W^-$	$\bar{u}d$	$\bar{c}s$	e^-	μ^-	T^- decay
$\bar{u}d$	jets		e + jets	μ + jets	$\bar{u}d, e, \mu$
$\bar{c}s$					jets
e^-	e + jets		ee	$e\mu$	μ + jets
μ^-	μ + jets		$e\mu$	$\mu\mu$	e + jets
T^-	τ + jets		$e\tau$	$\mu\tau$	μ + jets
$\bar{u}d$	jets		e + jets	μ + jets	μ + jets
$\bar{c}s$					e + jets
e^-	e + jets		ee	$e\mu$	μ + jets
μ^-	μ + jets		$e\mu$	$\mu\mu$	e + jets
T^-	τ + jets		$e\tau$	$\mu\tau$	μ + jets
T is unstable					
not observed experimentally					

Figure: Credit: Nazar Bartosik

Left-handed decay \implies spin aligned with l/d direction in t -rest frame.
 Use l^\pm /light jet three-momentum as proxy to top spin. 2 options:

- Semileptonic: $BR \sim 30\%$, but $\alpha_i^{\text{jet}} \sim 50\%$ $\alpha_i^d \equiv \hat{s} \cdot \hat{p}_d \simeq 1$
- Dileptonic: $BR \sim 5\%$, $\alpha_i \simeq 1$, $2 \times \nu \implies$ reconstruction harder

The $t\bar{t}$ spin-density matrix

$M_{xy \rightarrow t\bar{t}}^{*\alpha'\beta'} M_{xy \rightarrow t\bar{t}}^{\alpha\beta}$ with t, \bar{t} spin indices explicit \equiv $t\bar{t}$ **spin density matrix**

$$R^{t\bar{t}} \propto [A^I \mathbb{1} \otimes \mathbb{1} + \tilde{B}_i^+ \sigma^i \otimes \mathbb{1} + \tilde{B}_i^- \mathbb{1} \otimes \sigma^i + \tilde{C}_{ij} \sigma^i \otimes \sigma^j]$$

NP \Leftrightarrow **C_i contribute to functions A, B_i, C_{ij} appropriately**

This information is propagated through the W -decay to the distributions:

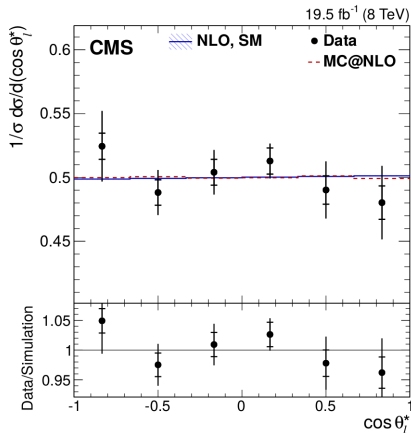
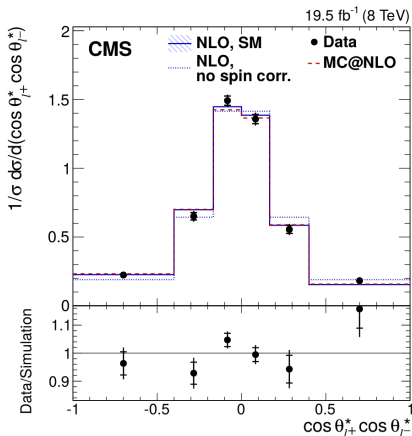
$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega_+ d\Omega_-} = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left(1 + \mathbf{B}'_1 \cdot \hat{\ell}_+ + \mathbf{B}'_2 \cdot \hat{\ell}_- - \hat{\ell}_+ \cdot \mathbf{C}' \cdot \hat{\ell}_- \right)$$

Choosing basis for spin axes \Leftrightarrow isolate \mathcal{O} 's in particular angular distributions. (**Bernreuther et al 1508.05271**) proposed $i, j = \{\hat{\mathbf{t}}, \hat{\mathbf{k}}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}\}$.

6+9 $\cos \theta_i^\pm$ distributions probe sources of **polarisation+spin correlations**

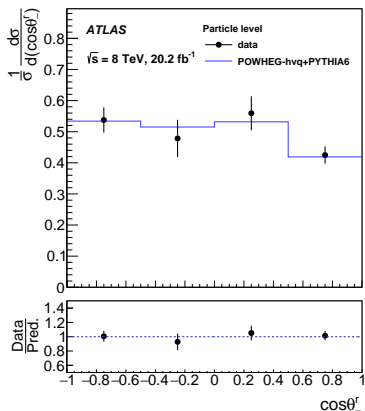
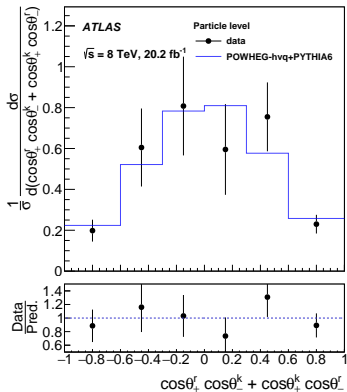
Each B, C has **dependence on kinematics** \propto operator coefficients

CMS: $\cos \theta_k^\pm$ (1601.01107)



Unfolded 8TeV measurements of $\cos \theta_k^\pm$ distributions, probing spin correlations $C(k, k)$ (left) and polarisation coefficients $B(k)$ (right)

ATLAS: $\cos \theta_{r/k}^{\pm}$ (1612.07004)



8TeV particle-level reconstructed distributions for $\cos \theta_{r/k}^{\pm}$ sensitive to spin correlations $C(r, k)$ (left), and polarisation coefficients $B(r)$ (right)

Studying the sensitivity of spin observables

	NLO+EW	$\propto \hat{\mu}_t$
$C(r, r)$	$0.071^{+0.008}_{-0.006}$	$2.475^{+0.020}_{-0.019}$
$C(k, k)$	$0.331^{+0.002}_{-0.002}$	$0.917^{+0.006}_{-0.006}$
--	--	$\propto \hat{c}_{VA}$
$B_{1/2}(r)$	$(3.2^{+2.3}_{-1.7}) \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.210^{+0.009}_{-0.009}$
$B_{1/2}(k)$	$(8.0^{+3.4}_{-2.4}) \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.607^{+0.051}_{-0.052}$

Table: Numerical sensitivity of obs $\propto \hat{c}$ (parton-level).

Errors: $\mu = m_t/2 \leftrightarrow 2m_t$ (Bernreuther et al
1508.05271, 1003.3926)

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{CMDM}} = -\frac{g_s}{2m_t} \hat{\mu}_t \bar{t} \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^a t G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{VA}} = \frac{g_s^2}{2m_t^2} \hat{c}_{VA} (\bar{q} \gamma^\mu T^a q) (\bar{t} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 T^a t)$$

- Pick two representative operators that modify B_s and C_s for given axes
- Parton-level expectations modified by **shower**, **acceptance cuts**, **reconstruction**. . .
- Overlap with **global fit**: **compare sensitivity** of spin vs. kinematic distributions
- **Double differential**: resolve $m_{t\bar{t}}$ dependence, enhance NP. Gains?



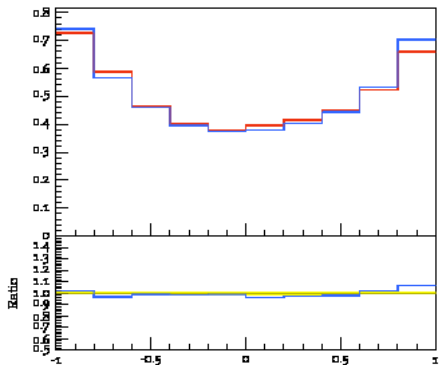
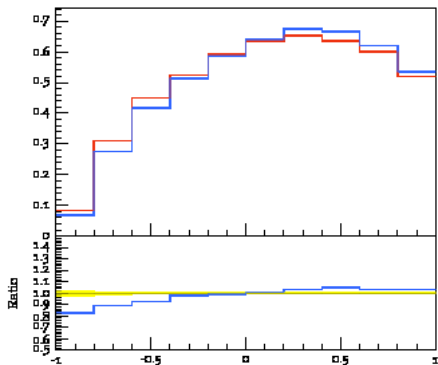
Analysis Summary

<i>Leptons</i>	$p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$ $ \eta < 2.5$
<i>Jets</i>	anti- k_T $R = 0.4$ $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$, $ \eta < 2.5$ b -tag w/ 70% efficiency 1% fake rate w/ FASTJET
<i>Reconstruction</i>	Pair b jets, l^\pm using M_{T2} ν solutions w/ MAOS (Cho et al. 0810.4853)
Require	≥ 2 jets w/ ≥ 1 b -tags $\geq 1 \times l^+, l^-$

Table: Event selection criteria in RIVET analysis

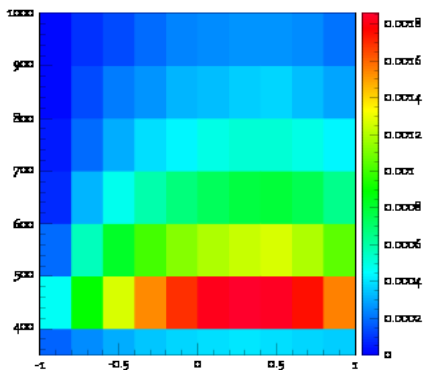
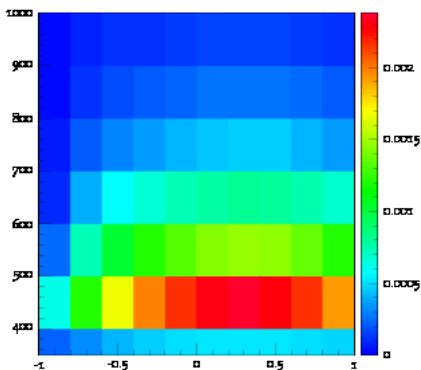
- ME+decays:
FEYNRULES+UFO+MG5_AMCNLO
- Shower: **PYTHIA8+UMEPS**
- Analysis: **RIVET+YODA**
- Rescale σ_{incl} with **NNLO k-factor (Czakon et al 2013)**
- Attach μ to **extrapolate D6 to different \hat{c} values** (to $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-2})$)
- Construct binned log-likelihood, exclude \hat{c} for $CL_s < 0.05$
assuming SM for toy \mathcal{L}_{int} , ϵ_{syst}

$\cos \theta_{\pm}$ polarisation distributions - \hat{c}_{VA} vs SM



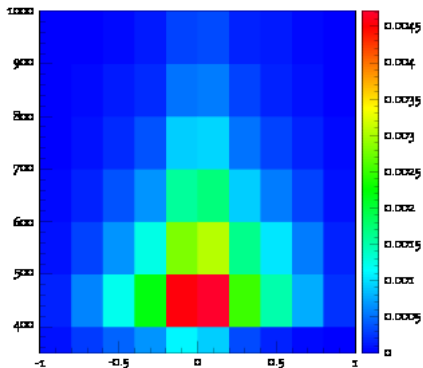
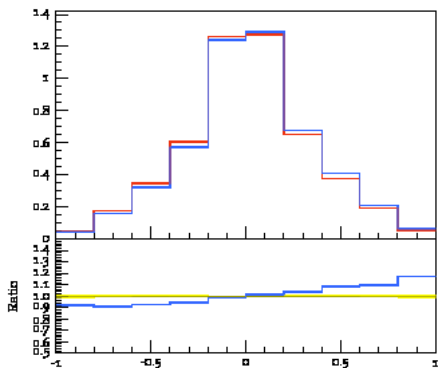
Left (Right): Reconstructed $\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d(\cos \theta_{k(r)}^+)}$ distributions for the **SM** and $\hat{c}_{VA} = 0.25$ sensitive to \mathbf{B}_k (\mathbf{B}_r).

2D $\cos \theta_{\pm}$ polarisation distributions - $c_{VA}^{\hat{}}$ vs SM



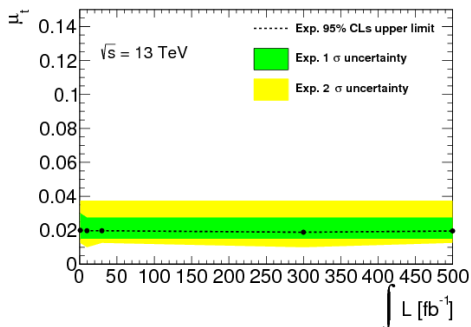
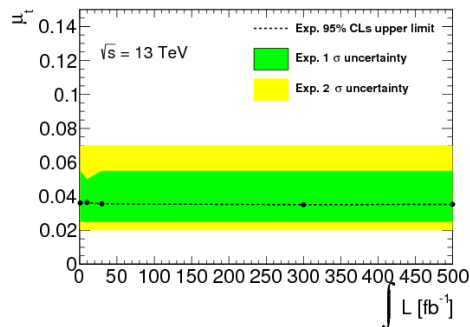
Left (Right): Reconstructed $\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d^2\sigma}{dm_{\ell\ell} d(\cos \theta_{k(r)^+}^+)}$ distributions for the SM
 ($c_{VA}^{\hat{}} = 0.25$) sensitive to \mathbf{B}_k (\mathbf{B}_r).

$\cos \theta_+ \cos \theta_-$ spin correlation distributions - $\hat{\mu}_t$ vs. *SM*



Left (Right): $\frac{d\sigma}{d(\cos \theta_n^+ \cos \theta_n^-)}$ $\left(\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d^2\sigma}{dm_{\ell\bar{\ell}} d(\cos \theta_n^+ \cos \theta_n^-)} \right)$ for the *SM*,
 $\hat{\mu}_t = 0.05$. Sensitive to \mathbf{C}_{nn} .

$$\hat{\mu}_t: 1\text{D } \cos \theta_n^+ \cos \theta_n^-$$

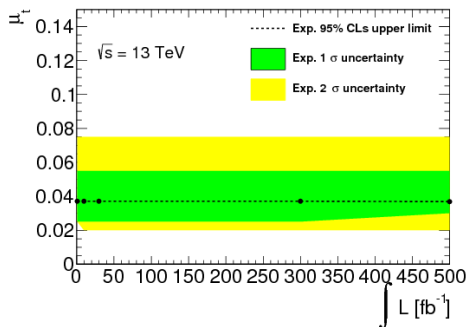
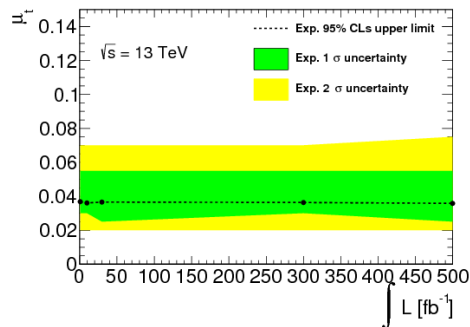


Expected exclusion limits from $\frac{d\sigma}{d(\cos \theta_n^+ \cos \theta_n^-)}$ with $\epsilon_{\text{sys}} = 10\%$, 5%

$$-0.053 < \hat{\mu}_t < 0.042 \text{ CMS, 8TeV (1601.01107)}$$

1D differential **sys. dominated**, comparable results to 8TeV CMS limit

$\hat{\mu}_t$: 1D $m_{t\bar{t}}$ distribution vs. $\cos\theta_k^+ \cos\theta_k^-$

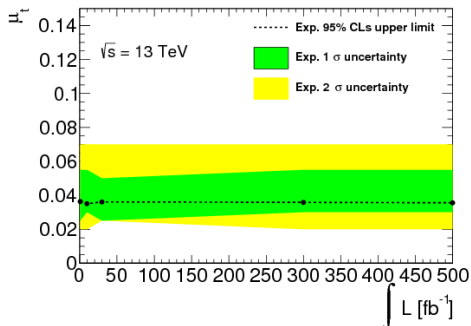
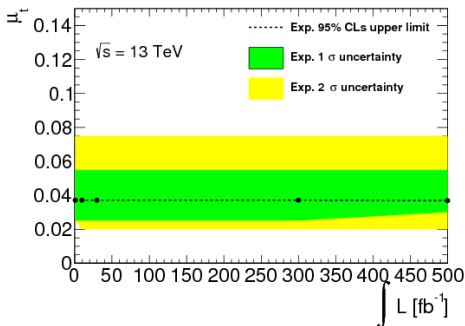


Exclusion limits from $\frac{d\sigma}{dm_{t\bar{t}}}$ and $\frac{d\sigma}{d(\cos\theta_k^+ \cos\theta_k^-)}$ respectively, $\epsilon_{\text{sys}} = 10\%$

$$-0.068 < \hat{\mu}_t < 0.029 \text{ TopFITTER w/ } 8\text{TeV } p_T \text{ spectra } \mathbf{(1607.04304)}$$

Numerically **similar results for r , k and n correlations**. Spin \sim kinematic.

$\hat{\mu}_t$: 1D vs 2D $\cos \theta_k^+ \cos \theta_k^-$ distributions

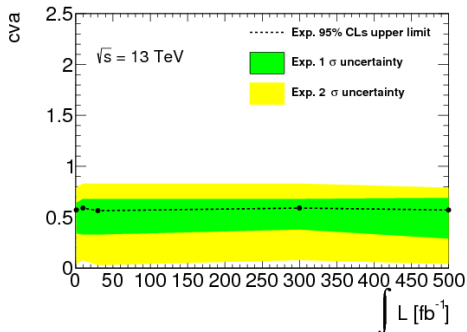
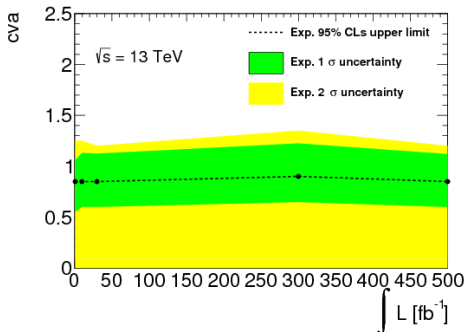


Exclusion limits for $\frac{d^{(2)}\sigma}{d \cos \theta_k^+ d \cos \theta_k^- (dm_{t\bar{t}})}$ 1D vs 2D respectively, $\epsilon_{\text{sys}} = 10\%$

$\hat{\mu}_t$ marginal ($\mathcal{O}(5\%)$) gains from resolving $m_{t\bar{t}}$ dependence of spin correlations. 2D improves with L_{int} at similar level.

D5: weaker scaling. k -axes spin correlations degrade w/ $m_{t\bar{t}}$ c.f. QCD.

\hat{c}_{VA} : 1D $\cos \theta_r^+$ vs. $\cos \theta_k^+$

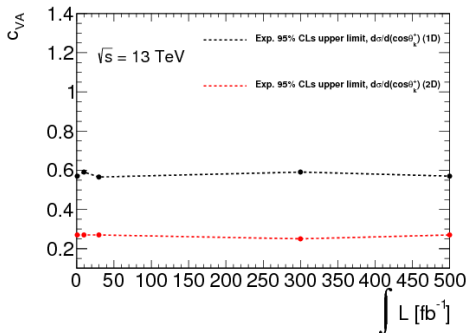
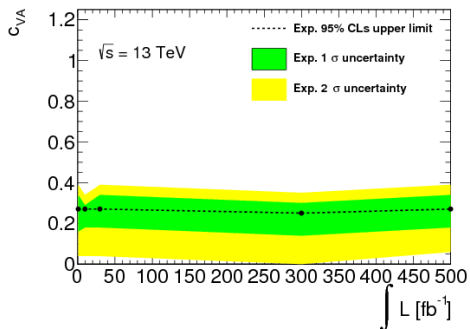


Exclusion limits from $\frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta_r}$ and $\frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta_k}$ respectively, $\epsilon_{\text{sys}} = 10\%$

Unconstrained in kinematic distributions, typical TopFITTER ψ^4 limits $\hat{c} \lesssim 0.2$

Sensitivity hierarchy $B(k) > B(r)$ follows parton level expectation

\hat{c}_{VA} : 1D vs 2D $\cos \theta_k^+$ distributions



Exclusion limits from $\frac{d^2\sigma}{dm_{t\bar{t}}d\cos\theta_k^+}$ and 1D vs 2D respectively, $\epsilon_{\text{sys}} = 10\%$

$\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$ effects start to become significant for $m_{t\bar{t}} > 1\text{TeV}$.

Here: even cutting bins $m_{t\bar{t}} < 1\text{TeV}$, **factor ≥ 2 improvement** 1D \rightarrow 2D.

Improves w/ L_{int} for $m_{t\bar{t}} > 1\text{TeV}$ region, but require EFT uncertainties.

Summary & Outlook

From preliminary results:

- 1D **spin** \sim **kinematic**, **syst. dominated**, limits consistent with TopFITTER
- Bound unconstrained ψ^4 operators **at comparable level**
- Double-differential: naively improve ψ^4 by **factor** \sim **2**
- Improvements with L_{int} req. lowering systematics below 10% level

Several directions for improvement:

- NLO+MADSPIN \rightarrow differential **SM NLO k-factors + theory uncertainties**
- Quantify **EFT uncertainties** in typical power counting scenarios
- Investigate quadratic EFT contributions to observables. . .
- Compare against **lepton + jets**, for all operators. . .

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1 Backup

TOPFITTER v1.0 - OVERVIEW

Idea: perform a simultaneous fit of the (\mathcal{CP} -even) operators affecting (single + pair) top production and decay observables. In a nutshell:

- Use FEYNRULES/MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO/MADANALYSIS toolchain, **sample observables at fixed points in $\{C_i\}$ space**
- Approximate linear dep. of observables on $C_i \implies$ use **polynomial interpolation method (PROFESSOR) to fill parameter space**
- Perform a χ^2 fit using this and publicly available **LHC and TeVatron (differential and rate) measurements**

Goals: Search for non-resonant NP signals, identify and understand sensitivity to operators, compare limits with resonance searches, establish feasibility of 9+ dimensional fit. . .

Backup: TopFITTER Setup (I)

- MADGRAPH+UFO observables supplemented by **approximate NLO QCD corrections, modelled by differential SM-only k -factors** generated with MCFM and verified with AMC_@NLO
- Theory uncertainties estimated by independently varying $\mu_{\text{central}}/2 < \mu_{\text{R,F}} < 2\mu_{\text{central}}, \mu_{\text{central}} = m_t$.
- PDF uncertainties were estimated by generating events using the **NLO NNPDF23, MSTW2008, and CT10 PDF sets**, according to the PDF4LHC prescription.
- For top pair total inclusive cross-sections we used **global K -factors from NNLO QCD** with soft gluons resummed to NNLL accuracy

Central value taken as estimate and the **width of the envelope** (including scale variations) as the total theoretical uncertainty.

Backup: TOPFITTER Setup (II)

- Total of **195 measurements**, predominantly Run I LHC $t\bar{t}$, **single top (differential) cross sections**, but also A_{FB} , A_C , Γ_{top} and W -helicity fractions and $\sigma_{t\bar{t}V}$
- Measurements included **quoted in terms of parton-level unfolded quantities** (far more abundant, computationally less expensive)
- Experimental uncertainties (stat, syst, lumi) included as quoted, **correlations between bins** from unfolding included **wherever quoted** (otherwise assumed to be uncorrelated)
- Interpolated $f_b(\{C_i\}) = \alpha_0^b + \sum_i \beta_i^b C_i + \sum_{i \leq j} \gamma_{ij}^b C_i C_j + \dots$ introduces **parametrisation error** $\lesssim 5\%$ from explicit MC
- Confidence intervals constructed from **minimizing χ^2 /d.o.f.** allowing all C_i to vary (**marginalized**), or each to vary **individually**

TOPFITTER v1.0 - Datasets

Dataset	\sqrt{s} (TeV)	Measurements	arXiv ref.	Dataset	\sqrt{s} (TeV)	Measurements	arXiv ref.
<i>Top pair production</i>							
Total cross-sections:				Differential cross-sections:			
ATLAS	7	lepton+jets	1406.5375	ATLAS	7	$p_T(t), M_{t\bar{t}}, y_{t\bar{t}} $	1407.0371
ATLAS	7	dilepton	1202.4892	CDF	1.96	$M_{t\bar{t}}$	0903.2850
ATLAS	7	lepton+tau	1205.3067	CMS	7	$p_T(t), M_{t\bar{t}}, y_t, y_{t\bar{t}}$	1211.2220
ATLAS	7	lepton w/o b jets	1201.1889	CMS	8	$p_T(t), M_{t\bar{t}}, y_t, y_{t\bar{t}}$	1505.04480
ATLAS	7	lepton w/ b jets	1406.5375	DØ	1.96	$M_{t\bar{t}}, p_T(t), y_t $	1401.5785
ATLAS	7	tau+jets	1211.7205				
ATLAS	7	$t\bar{t}, Z\gamma, WW$	1407.0573	Charge asymmetries:			
ATLAS	8	dilepton	1202.4892	ATLAS	7	A_C (inclusive+ $M_{t\bar{t}}, y_{t\bar{t}}$)	1311.6742
CMS	7	all hadronic	1302.0508	CMS	7	A_C (inclusive+ $M_{t\bar{t}}, y_{t\bar{t}}$)	1402.3803
CMS	7	dilepton	1208.2761	CDF	1.96	A_{FB} (inclusive+ $M_{t\bar{t}}, y_{t\bar{t}}$)	1211.1003
CMS	7	lepton+jets	1212.6682	DØ	1.96	A_{FB} (inclusive+ $M_{t\bar{t}}, y_{t\bar{t}}$)	1405.0421
CMS	7	lepton+tau	1203.6810				
CMS	7	tau+jets	1301.5755	Top widths:			
CMS	8	dilepton	1312.7582	DØ	1.96	Γ_{top}	1308.4050
CDF + DØ	1.96	Combined world average	1309.7570	CDF	1.96	Γ_{top}	1201.4156
<i>Single top production</i>				W-boson helicity fractions:			
ATLAS	7	t -channel (differential)	1406.7844	ATLAS	7		1205.2484
CDF	1.96	s -channel (total)	1402.0484	CDF	1.96		1211.4523
CMS	7	t -channel (total)	1406.7844	CMS	7		1308.3879
CMS	8	t -channel (total)	1406.7844	DØ	1.96		1011.6549
DØ	1.96	s -channel (total)	0907.4259				
DØ	1.96	t -channel (total)	1105.2788				
<i>Associated production</i>				<i>Run II data</i>			
ATLAS	7	$t\bar{t}\gamma$	1502.00586	CMS	13	$t\bar{t}$ (dilepton)	1510.05302
ATLAS	8	$t\bar{t}Z$	1509.05276				
CMS	8	$t\bar{t}Z$	1406.7830				



NP in angular distributions

Fix (an arbitrary) set of axes along which to quantize the $t\bar{t}$ spins. Each contribution then **isolated in the 1D distributions**:

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta_{\pm}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + B_{1,2} \cos \theta_{\pm} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\xi_{ab}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - C\xi \right) \ln \left(\frac{1}{|\xi_{ab}|} \right), \xi_{ab} = \cos \theta_+ \cos \theta_-$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{t}}_p = \frac{1}{r_p} (\mathbf{p}_p - y_p \hat{\mathbf{k}}), \quad \hat{\mathbf{k}} \equiv \hat{t}_{\text{ZMF}}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{n}}_p = \frac{1}{r_p} (\mathbf{p}_p \times \hat{\mathbf{k}}), \quad y_p = \mathbf{p}_p \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

with $\cos \theta^{\pm}$ measured with respect to the axes $\hat{\mathbf{a}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}} = \hat{\mathbf{t}}, \hat{\mathbf{k}}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}$.

Each B, C contains **dependence on $t\bar{t}$ kinematics \propto operator coefficients**. c.f. in QCD, spin-correlations along $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$ degrade for high $m_{t\bar{t}}$.

Operators \leftrightarrow observables

Correlation	\mathcal{CP} -properties	sensitive to
$B_1(r) + B_2(r)$	\mathcal{P} -odd, \mathcal{CP} -even	$\hat{\mathbf{C}}_{\mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}}, \hat{c}_3$
$B_1(k) + B_2(k)$	\mathcal{P} -odd, \mathcal{CP} -even	$\hat{\mathbf{C}}_{\mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}}, \hat{c}_3$
$C(n, n)$	\mathcal{P} -, \mathcal{CP} -even	$\hat{c}_{VV}, \hat{c}_1, \hat{\rho}_t$
$C(r, r)$	\mathcal{P} -, \mathcal{CP} -even	$\hat{c}_{VV}, \hat{c}_1, \hat{\rho}_t$
$C(k, k)$	\mathcal{P} -, \mathcal{CP} -even	$\hat{c}_{VV}, \hat{c}_1, \hat{\rho}_t$
$C(r, k) + C(k, r)$	\mathcal{P} -, \mathcal{CP} -even	$\hat{c}_{VV}, \hat{c}_1, \hat{\rho}_t$

Subset of correlation coefficients in **(Bernreuther et al 1508.05271)**. Angular distributions w.r.t. axes $(r, k, n \dots)$ probe different \mathcal{O}_i .

- Each distribution is sensitive to subset of $t\bar{t}$ dimension-six operators.
- Here we'll pick one each for the **polarisation angle** and **spin-correlation distributions**.

Consequences of EFT Validity

- Strength of constraints
 \iff range of EFT validity
- Match $\frac{C_i}{\Lambda^2} = \frac{g_*^2}{M_*^2}$
- Impose $M_* > \kappa \Lambda > m_{t\bar{t}}^{\max}$
- Weak constraint \implies
 larger g_* , higher-order
 corrections to BSM
 important
- Truncation at e.g. $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-2})$
 less reliable

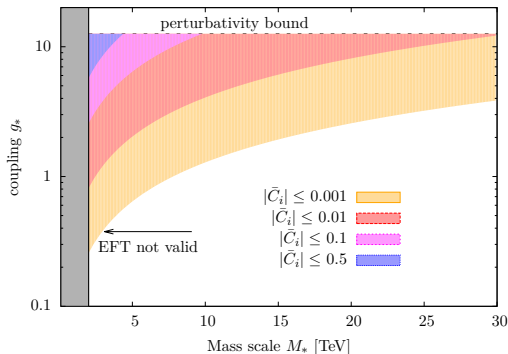
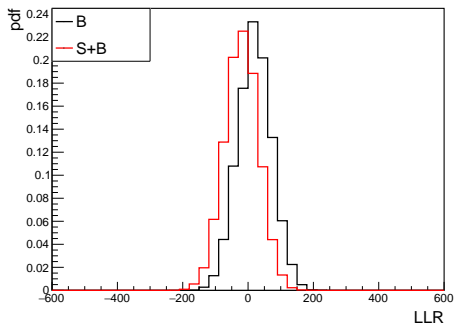
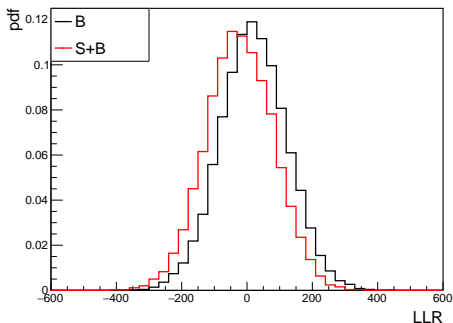


Figure: Areas in the $g_* - M_*$ plane. Coloured areas constrained in perturbative models subject to condition $C/\Lambda^2 = g_*^2/M_*^2$. Shaded grey area: mass scales $M_* < m_{t\bar{t}}^{\max}$

Limit-setting

- We use **log-likelihood ratio** $q = -2 \log\left(\frac{\mathcal{L}_1}{\mathcal{L}_0}\right)$ as test statistic
- **Systematic uncertainties** simulated as flat % gaussian uncertainty on the background imposed on all bins
- **Theory uncertainties** not represented here (yet) (\sim negligible in (1D) measurements). Flat **NNLO k-factor (Czakon et al 2013)**.
- Build up *LLR* p.d.f.s under $f_{0/1}(q)$ for SM and SM+D6 respectively
- Can form confidence intervals $CL_{(s+)b} = \int_{LLR_{obs}}^{\infty} f_{(1)0}(q) dq$
assuming observe SM expectation
- Exclude μ at 95% confidence level $\iff CL_s = \frac{CL_{s+b}}{CL_b} < 0.05$

1D vs 2D LLRs: $\hat{\mu}_t, 5\% \text{syst}, 100 \text{fb}^{-1}$



Left (Right): 1D (2D) LLR distributions for ξ_{kk} distribution in **SM** and **D6 EFT**.
 Smaller overlap between the distributions signifies 2D observables discriminate signal from background.