

# Effective Operators In Top Quark Production and Decay

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# Effective Field Theory

When searching for new physics beyond the SM, one might

- see it directly ( $Z'$ , etc.)
- see indirect effects (for example, the exchange of  $Z'$  between fermions appears as four-fermion interaction at low energy.)

In the latter case, we desire a model-independent approach to parameterize new physics.

# Effective Field Theory

An effective field theory approach is a two step process.

- First, one integrates out all new heavy states and obtains effective interactions involving only fields of the SM.
- These effective higher-dimensional operators are then used to compute the deviations from the SM and compare with the experimental data.

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum c_i \frac{O_i^{(5)}}{\Lambda} + \sum c_i \frac{O_i^{(6)}}{\Lambda^2} + \dots$$

$\Lambda$  can be regarded as the scale of new physics.

# Higher Dimensional Operators

- Dimension 5:

$$O_5 = \frac{c^{jj}}{\Lambda} \left( L^{iT} \epsilon \phi \right) C \left( \phi^T \epsilon L^j \right) + h.c.$$

(Weinberg 1979)

- Dimension 6:  
63 independent operators after the EOMs are applied.  
(Buchmuller and Wyler 1986, Aguilar-Saavedra 2009)
- There is no odd-dimensional operator that conserves baryon and lepton number.

# Operators That Contribute to Top Quark Interaction

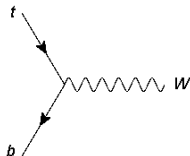
At leading order  $\frac{1}{\Lambda^2}$ , ignore bottom quark mass, we found

operator	process
$O_{\phi q} = i(\phi^+ \tau^i D_\mu \phi)(\bar{q} \gamma^\mu \tau^i q) + h.c.$	top decay, single top
$O_{tW} = (\bar{q} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \tau^i t) \tilde{\phi} W_{\mu\nu}^i + h.c.$	top decay, single top
$O_{tG\phi} = (\bar{q} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \lambda^A t) \tilde{\phi} G_{\mu\nu}^A + h.c.$	single top, $q\bar{q}, gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$
$O_{G3} = g_s f_{ABC} G_\mu^{A\nu} G_\nu^{B\rho} G_\rho^{C\mu}$	$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$
$O_{\phi G} = \frac{1}{2}(\phi^+ \phi) G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$	$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

and 8 four-fermions contact interactions such as  $(\bar{u} \gamma_\mu u)(\bar{q} \gamma^\mu q)$ .

# The $Wtb$ coupling

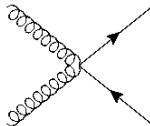
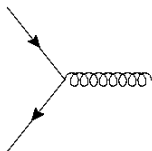
- $O_{\phi q} = i(\phi^\dagger \tau^i D_\mu \phi)(\bar{q} \gamma^\mu \tau^i q) + h.c.$
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Operators That Contribute at Leading Order

# The $G^3$ , Chromomagnetic Moment, and Higgs-Gluon Interactions

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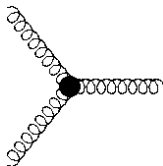




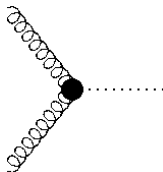
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# Top Quark Decay

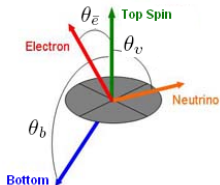
The  $W$  helicity fractions are given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_0 &= \frac{m_t^2}{m_t^2 + 2m_W^2} - \frac{4\sqrt{2}C_{tW}v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{m_t m_W (m_t^2 - m_W^2)}{(m_t^2 + 2m_W^2)^2} \\
 F_L &= \frac{2m_W^2}{m_t^2 + 2m_W^2} + \frac{4\sqrt{2}C_{tW}v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{m_t m_W (m_t^2 - m_W^2)}{(m_t^2 + 2m_W^2)^2} \\
 F_R &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

# Polarized Decay Rate

- In the top quark rest frame:

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\theta_i} = \frac{1 + \alpha_i \cos\theta_i}{2}$$



- Effects of new operators

$$\alpha_b = -\frac{m_t^2 - 2m_W^2}{m_t^2 + 2m_W^2} + \frac{C_{tW}}{g\Lambda^2} \frac{16\sqrt{2}vm_t m_W^2 (m_t^2 - m_W^2)}{(m_t^2 + 2m_W^2)^2}$$

$$\alpha_\nu = \frac{m_t^6 - 12m_t^4 m_W^2 + 3m_t^2 m_W^4 (3 + 8\ln(m_t/m_W)) + 2m_W^6}{m_t^6 - 3m_t^2 m_W^4 + 2m_W^6}$$

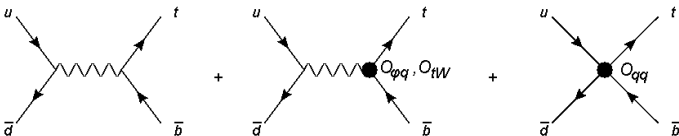
$$-\frac{C_{tW}}{g\Lambda^2} \frac{24\sqrt{2}vm_t m_W^2 (m_t^6 - 6m_t^4 m_W^2 + 3m_t^2 m_W^4 (1 + 4\ln(m_t/m_W)) + 2m_W^6)}{(m_t^2 + 2m_W^2)^2 (m_t^2 - m_W^2)^2}$$

$$\alpha_{\bar{e}} = 1$$

# s,t-Channel Single Top

Cao, Wudka and Yuan, 2007

- Feynman Diagrams



- s-channel

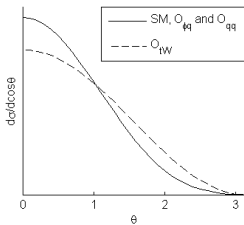
$$\frac{1}{4} \Sigma |M_{u\bar{d} \rightarrow t\bar{b}}|^2 = \frac{g^4 u(u - m_t^2)}{4(s - m_W^2)^2} + \frac{C_{\phi q} v^2}{2\Lambda^2} \frac{g^4 u(u - m_t^2)}{(s - m_W^2)^2} - \frac{\sqrt{2} C_{tW} m_t v}{\Lambda^2} \frac{g^3 s u}{(s - m_W^2)^2} + \frac{2C_{qq}}{\Lambda^2} \frac{g^2 u(u - m_t^2)}{s - m_W^2}$$

- t-channel

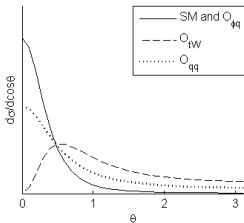
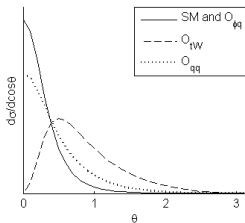
$$\frac{1}{4} \Sigma |M_{ub \rightarrow dt}|^2 = \frac{g^4 s(s - m_t^2)}{4(t - m_W^2)^2} + \frac{C_{\phi q} v^2}{2\Lambda^2} \frac{g^4 s(s - m_t^2)}{(t - m_W^2)^2} - \frac{\sqrt{2} C_{tW} m_t v}{\Lambda^2} \frac{g^3 s t}{(t - m_W^2)^2} + \frac{2C_{qq}}{\Lambda^2} \frac{g^2 s(s - m_t^2)}{t - m_W^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \Sigma |M_{\bar{d}b \rightarrow \bar{u}t}|^2 = \frac{g^4 u(u - m_t^2)}{4(t - m_W^2)^2} + \frac{C_{\phi q} v^2}{2\Lambda^2} \frac{g^4 u(u - m_t^2)}{(t - m_W^2)^2} - \frac{\sqrt{2} C_{tW} m_t v}{\Lambda^2} \frac{g^3 u t}{(t - m_W^2)^2} + \frac{2C_{qq}}{\Lambda^2} \frac{g^2 u(u - m_t^2)}{t - m_W^2}$$

Results: Single Top Production

Angular Dependence (at  $\sqrt{s} = 2m_t$ )

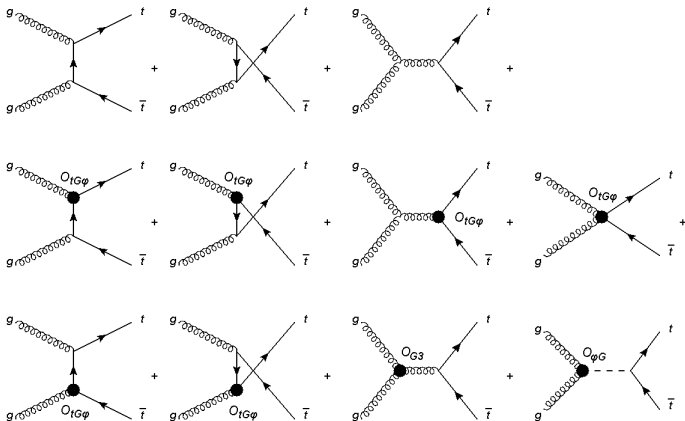
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t-channel( $ub \rightarrow dt$ )t-channel( $\bar{d}b \rightarrow \bar{u}t$ )

Results: Top Pair Production

 $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  Channel

## ● Feynman Diagrams



$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  Channel

Cho and Simmons, 1994

- The squared amplitude:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{256} |M|^2 = & \frac{3g_s^4}{4} \frac{(m^2 - t)(m^2 - u)}{s^2} - \frac{g_s^4}{24} \frac{m^2(s - 4m^2)}{(m^2 - t)(m^2 - u)} + \frac{g_s^4}{6} \frac{tu - m^2(3t + u) - m^4}{(m^2 - t)^2} \\ & + \frac{g_s^4}{6} \frac{tu - m^2(t + 3u) - m^4}{(m^2 - u)^2} - \frac{3g_s^4}{8} \frac{tu - 2m^2t + m^4}{s(m^2 - t)} - \frac{3g_s^4}{8} \frac{tu - 2m^2u + m^4}{s(m^2 - u)} \\ & + \frac{\sqrt{2}C_{tG\phi}g_s^3vm}{3\Lambda^2} \frac{4s^2 - 9tu - 9m^2s + 9m^4}{(m^2 - t)(m^2 - u)} + \frac{9C_{G3}g_s^4}{8\Lambda^2} \frac{m^2(t - u)^2}{(m^2 - t)(m^2 - u)} \\ & - \frac{C_{\phi G}g_s^2m^2}{16\Lambda^2} \frac{s^2(s - 4m^2)}{(s - m^2)(t - m^2)(u - m^2)} \end{aligned}$$

Results: Top Pair Production

 $u\bar{u}, d\bar{d} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  Channel

## ● Result

$$\frac{1}{36} |M_{u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}}|^2 = g_s^2 (M_1 + M_2) + \frac{32\sqrt{2} C_{tG\phi} g_s^3 v m}{9\Lambda^2} + C_u^1 \frac{s}{\Lambda^2} M_1 + C_u^2 \frac{s}{\Lambda^2} M_2$$

$$\frac{1}{36} |M_{d\bar{d} \rightarrow t\bar{t}}|^2 = g_s^2 (M_1 + M_2) + \frac{32\sqrt{2} C_{tG\phi} g_s^3 v m}{9\Lambda^2} + C_d^1 \frac{s}{\Lambda^2} M_1 + C_d^2 \frac{s}{\Lambda^2} M_2$$

where

$$M_1 = \frac{4g_s^2}{9s^2} (3m^4 - m^2(t+3u) + u^2)$$

$$M_2 = \frac{4g_s^2}{9s^2} (3m^4 - m^2(3t+u) + t^2)$$

$$C_u^1 = C_{4q}^1 + C_{4q}^2 + C_{4q}^3$$

$$C_u^2 = C_{4q}^5 + C_{4q}^7$$

$$C_d^1 = C_{4q}^1 - C_{4q}^2 + C_{4q}^4$$

$$C_d^2 = C_{4q}^6 + C_{4q}^7$$

$$O_{4q}^1 = \frac{1}{4} (\bar{q}^1 \gamma_\mu \lambda^A q^1) (\bar{q}^3 \gamma^\mu \lambda^A q^3)$$

$$O_{4q}^2 = \frac{1}{4} (\bar{q}^1 \gamma_\mu \tau^i \lambda^A q^1) (\bar{q}^3 \gamma^\mu \tau^i \lambda^A q^3)$$

$$O_{4q}^3 = \frac{1}{4} (\bar{u}^1 \gamma_\mu \lambda^A u^1) (\bar{u}^3 \gamma^\mu \lambda^A u^3)$$

$$O_{4q}^4 = \frac{1}{4} (\bar{d}^1 \gamma_\mu \lambda^A d^1) (\bar{u}^3 \gamma^\mu \lambda^A u^3)$$

$$O_{4q}^5 = (\bar{q}^3 u^1) (\bar{u}^1 q^3)$$

$$O_{4q}^6 = (\bar{q}^3 d^1) (\bar{d}^1 q^3)$$

$$O_{4q}^7 = (\bar{q}^1 u^3) (\bar{u}^3 q^1)$$



# Anomalous Couplings Compared with Effective Operators

- *Wtb* vertex:

$$\bar{b}\Gamma^\mu tW_\mu^- = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}\bar{b}\gamma^\mu(V_L P_L + V_R P_R)tW_\mu^- + \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}\bar{b}\frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_\nu}{M_W}(g_L P_L + g_R P_R)tW_\mu^-$$

$$V_L = 1 + C_{\phi q}^* \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

$$g_R = \sqrt{2}C_{tW} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

$$O_{\phi q} = i(\phi^\dagger \tau^i D_\mu \phi)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu \tau^i q) \quad O_{tW} = (\bar{q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} \tau^i t)\tilde{\phi}W_{\mu\nu}^i$$

( $V_R$  and  $g_L$  do not enter at order  $\frac{1}{\Lambda^2}$ .)

- *gtt* vertex:

$$\bar{t}\Gamma^{\mu a} tG_\mu^a = g_s \bar{t} \frac{\lambda^a}{2} \gamma^\mu t G_\mu^a + g_s \bar{t} \lambda^a \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{m_t} (d_V + id_A \gamma_5) t G_\mu^a$$

$$d_V = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{g_s} \text{Re} C_{tG\phi} \frac{vm_t}{\Lambda^2}$$

$$d_A = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{g_s} \text{Im} C_{tG\phi} \frac{vm_t}{\Lambda^2}$$

$$O_{tG\phi} = (\bar{q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} \lambda^a t)\tilde{\phi}G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

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