

The top-quark couplings at the LHC and beyond

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Beyond the Standard Model

The SM has been extremely successful but many phenomena require for a better understanding:

- Matter-antimatter asymmetry
- Neutrino masses
- Dark matter
- Strong CP-problem
- Flavour puzzle
- Origin of charged quantisation
- ...

Many extensions of the SM have been proposed → Why not using a **model independent** framework?

- The SM is not complete, it is just an EFT
- The complete theory is unknown → Follow a **bottom-up** approach
- Assuming invariance under the same gauge symmetries as in the SM → SMEFT

The SM Effective Field Theory

- The SMEFT Lagrangian is build with the particle content of the SM and with the operators invariant under $SU(3)_C \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_{d=5}^{\infty} \sum_j \frac{C_j^{(d)}}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \mathcal{O}_j^{(d)}$$

- Any heavy NP field, invariant under the same gauge group, can be integrated out, translating its effects on physical observables in terms of the Wilson coefficients ($C_j^{(d)}$)
- The operators of odd dimension generate baryon and lepton number violation and will not be considered
- The leading even-dimensional contribution will be the one of $d = 6$
- At $d = 6$ the total number of 2499 operators is overwhelming
- In this work we will only consider the subset of operators related to top-quark physics

Why the top-quark?

- Being the heaviest particle of the SM the top-quark is a good candidate for searching for new physics
- As the top-quark was not produced in LEP its EW sector could not be precisely measured until now
- The LHC data allows, finally, for precise measurements of this sector
- Here we present results of a global fit to the new physics couplings of the top-quark
- We used the most recent available data from the LHC (ATLAS and CMS), and also from LEP and Tevatron
- We study the effects of the HL-LHC and e^+e^- future colliders like ILC, CLIC, CEPC, FCC-ee
- The fits have been performed using HEPfit [\[1910.14012\]](#)

Data treatment

- The general goal is to know if the new physics extensions are compatible with data
- Need to find constraints on their parameter space
- Huge amounts of data → efficient tool for dealing with data → [HEPfit \[1910.14012\]](#)

HEPfit:

- Flexible open-source C++ code
- Based on BAT (bayesian statistical framework)
- Markov Chain Monte Carlo procedure
- Useful for SM, new physics models or EFTs
- Flavour, electroweak and Higgs observables

SMEFT operators relevant for the top-quark

2-quark operators

Couplings of the t- and b-quark to the Z

$$\begin{aligned} O_{\varphi Q}^3 &\equiv (\bar{Q} \tau^I \gamma^\mu Q) (\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I \varphi) \\ O_{\varphi Q}^1 &\equiv (\bar{Q} \gamma^\mu Q) (\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi) \\ O_{\varphi t(b)} &\equiv (\bar{t}(\bar{b}) \gamma^\mu t(b)) (\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi) \end{aligned}$$

EW dipole operators

$$\begin{aligned} O_{uW} &\equiv (\bar{Q} \tau^I \sigma^{\mu\nu} t) (\varepsilon \varphi^* W_{\mu\nu}^I) \\ O_{tB} &\equiv (\bar{Q} \sigma^{\mu\nu} t) (\varepsilon \varphi^* B_{\mu\nu}) \end{aligned}$$

Chromo-magnetic dipole op.

$$O_{tG} \equiv (\bar{Q} \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^A t) (\varepsilon \varphi^* G_{\mu\nu}^A)$$

t-quark yukawa

$$O_{t\varphi} \equiv (\bar{Q} t) (\varepsilon \varphi^* \varphi^\dagger \varphi)$$

4-quark operators

Couplings of light quarks with t- and b-quarks

$$O_{tu}^8 \quad O_{td}^8 \quad O_{Qq}^{1,8} \quad O_{Qu}^8 \quad O_{Qd}^8 \quad O_{Qq}^{3,8} \quad O_{tq}^8$$

2-quark 2-lepton operators

Couplings of light leptons with t- and b-quarks

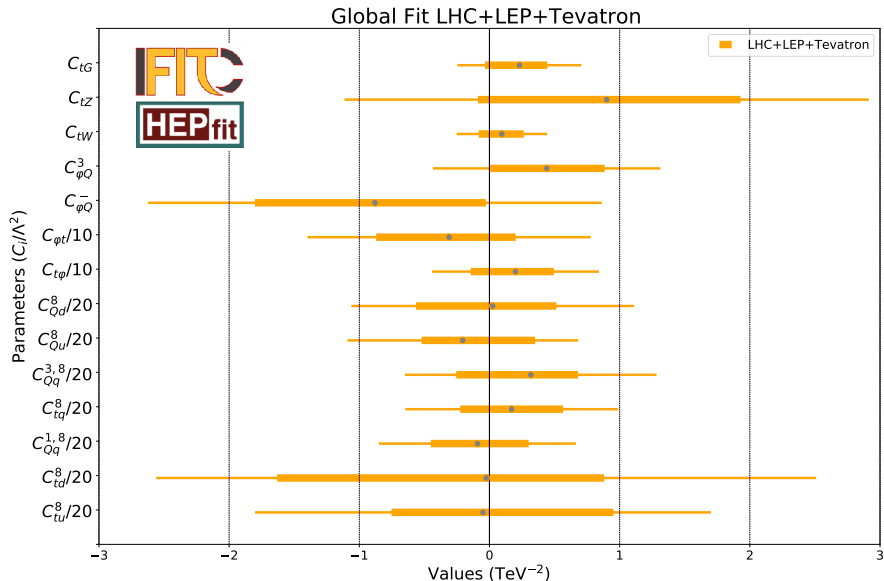
$$O_{eb} \quad O_{lb} \quad O_{et} \quad O_{lt} \quad O_{eQ} \quad O_{lQ}^+ \quad O_{lQ}^-$$

Observables from current colliders (LEP/SLC, Tevatron, LHC run 1 & 2)

- Here we show the observables included that have been measured in the actual colliders

Process	Observable	\sqrt{s}	$\int \mathcal{L}$	Experiment
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	$d\sigma/dm_{t\bar{t}}$ (15+3 bins)	13 TeV	140 fb $^{-1}$	CMS
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	$dA_C/dm_{t\bar{t}}$ (4+2 bins)	13 TeV	140 fb $^{-1}$	ATLAS
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}Z$	$d\sigma/dp_T^Z$ (7 bins)	13 TeV	140 fb $^{-1}$	ATLAS
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma$	$d\sigma/dp_T^\gamma$ (11 bins)	13 TeV	140 fb $^{-1}$	ATLAS
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H + tHq$	σ	13 TeV	140 fb $^{-1}$	ATLAS
$pp \rightarrow tZq$	σ	13 TeV	77.4 fb $^{-1}$	CMS
$pp \rightarrow t\gamma q$	σ	13 TeV	36 fb $^{-1}$	CMS
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}W$	σ	13 TeV	36 fb $^{-1}$	CMS
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{b}$ (s-ch)	σ	8 TeV	20 fb $^{-1}$	LHC
$pp \rightarrow tW$	σ	8 TeV	20 fb $^{-1}$	LHC
$pp \rightarrow tq$ (t-ch)	σ	8 TeV	20 fb $^{-1}$	LHC
$t \rightarrow Wb$	F_0, F_L	8 TeV	20 fb $^{-1}$	LHC
$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{b}$ (s-ch)	σ	1.96 TeV	9.7 fb $^{-1}$	Tevatron
$e^-e^+ \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	R_b, A_{FBLR}^{bb}	~ 91 GeV	202.1 pb $^{-1}$	LEP/SLD

LEP/SLC, Tevatron, LHC run 1 & 2 results

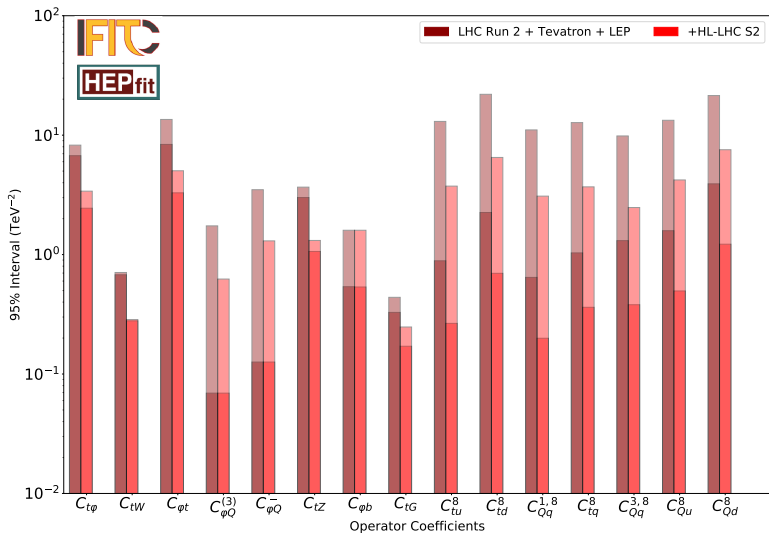


Prospects for Measurements at HL-LHC

Theoretical Uncertainties \longrightarrow scale with $1/2$

Experimental Uncertainties $\left\{ \begin{array}{lll} \text{Modelling} & \longrightarrow & \text{scale with } 1/2 \\ \text{Systematic} & \longrightarrow & \text{scale with } 1/\sqrt{\mathcal{L}} \\ \text{Statistical} & \longrightarrow & \text{scale with } 1/\sqrt{\mathcal{L}} \end{array} \right.$

HL-LHC results



Future e^+e^- colliders

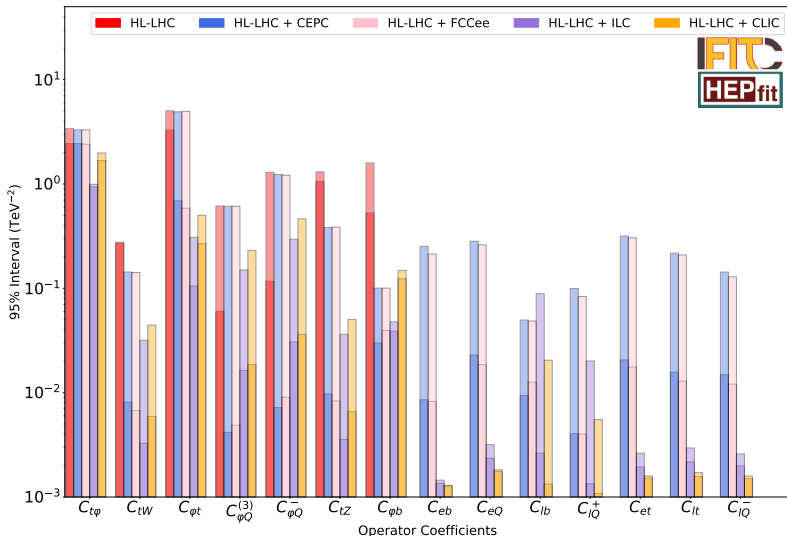
- International Linear Collider (ILC)
 - Linear collider with three stages (250 GeV, 500 GeV and 1 TeV)
 - Length between 20 and 50 km
 - Would be built in Japan
- Compact Linear Collider (CLIC)
 - Linear collider with three stages (380 GeV, 1.5 TeV and 3 TeV)
 - Length between 11 and 50 km
 - Would be built in CERN
- Future Circular Collider with e^+e^- stage (FCC-ee)
 - Circular collider three stages (Z-pole, 240 GeV and 365 GeV)
 - Length of circumference between 80 and 100 km
 - Would be built in CERN
- Circular electron positron collider (CEPC)
 - Circular collider three stages (Z-pole, 240 GeV and 360 GeV)
 - Length of circumference around 100 km
 - Would be built in China

Measurements at e^+e^- colliders

Machine	Polarisation	Energy	Luminosity
ILC	$P(e^+, e^-):(-30\%, +80\%)$ $P(e^+, e^-):(+30\%, -80\%)$	250 GeV	2 ab^{-1}
		500(550) GeV	4 ab^{-1}
		1 TeV	8 ab^{-1}
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		3 TeV	5 ab^{-1}
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		240 GeV	$20/5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$
		350 GeV	0.2 ab^{-1}
		360/365 GeV	$1/1.5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$

- In all the configurations it would be measure $e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ($\sigma_{b\bar{b}}$, $A_{\text{FB}}^{b\bar{b}}$)
- For energies above $t\bar{t}$ -threshold ($\sim 350 \text{ GeV}$) $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ (optimal observables)
- For energies above $t\bar{t}H$ -threshold ($\sim 500 \text{ GeV}$) $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$ ($\sigma_{t\bar{t}H}$)

Comparison of future colliders



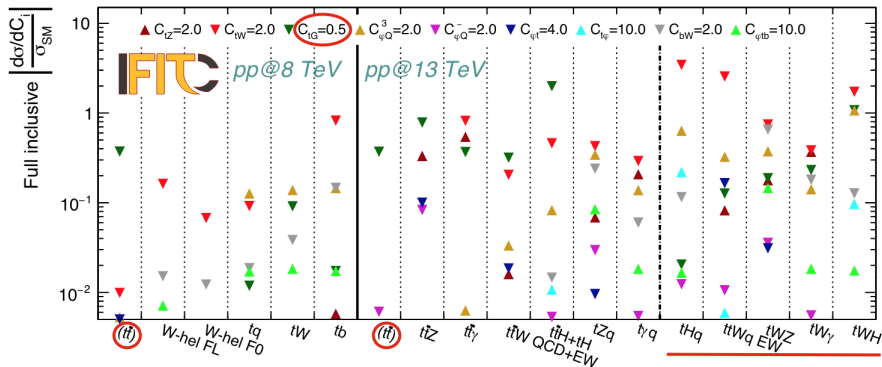
Summary

- Current data is compatible with the SM within a 95% probability
- HL-LHC expected to improve the bounds by roughly a factor 3 w.r.t. current state-of-the-art LHC run 2 + Tevatron + LEP/SLC
- An e^+e^- collider can significantly improve bounds on bottom-quark operators, and on top-quark operators if operated above the $t\bar{t}$ threshold
- Circular colliders (FCC-ee and CECP) operated at and slightly above the $t\bar{t}$ threshold can improve bottom- and top- operators by factor 5 and 2 for 2-fermion operators.
- Power to constrain 4-fermion operators limited by energy reach
- Linear colliders (ILC & CLIC) operated at 2 center-of-mass energies above the $t\bar{t}$ -threshold provide tight bounds on all operators, with 4F bounds gaining from the energy-growing sensitivity
- The operation of the linear colliders above the ttH -thresholds allows for strong constraints on the top-quark Yukawa

Thank you!

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Sensitivity

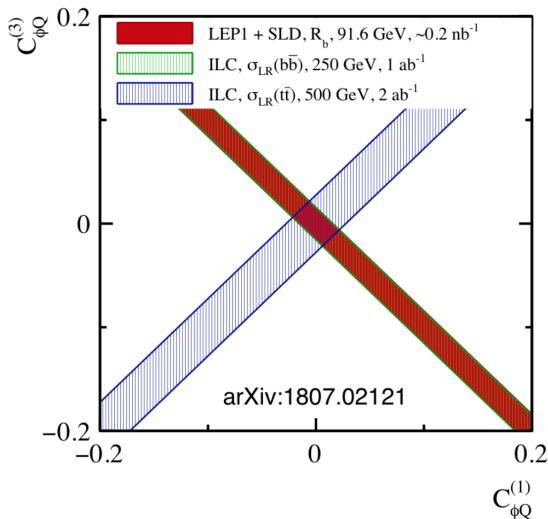


Future Colliders - Complementarity on e^+e^- Colliders

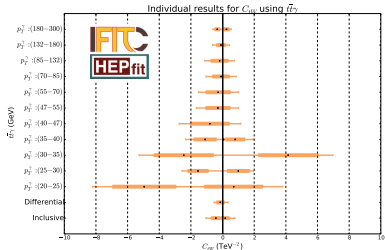
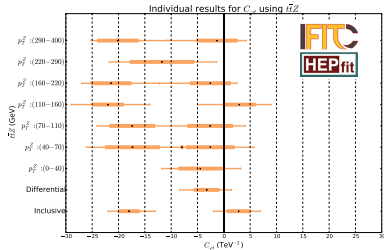
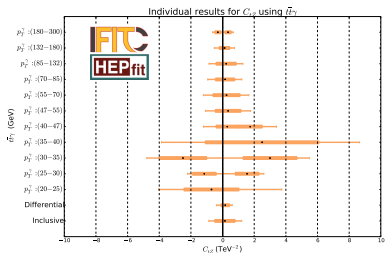
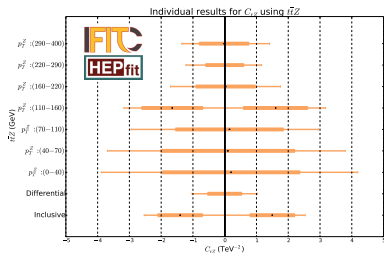
Good complementarity between $b\bar{b}$ (LEP) and $t\bar{t}$ (future e^+e^- collider) if we reach $\sqrt{s} > 2m_t$

$$\delta g_L^t = -(C_{\phi Q}^1 - C_{\phi Q}^3)m_t^2/\Lambda^2$$

$$\delta g_L^b = -(C_{\phi Q}^1 + C_{\phi Q}^3)m_t^2/\Lambda^2$$

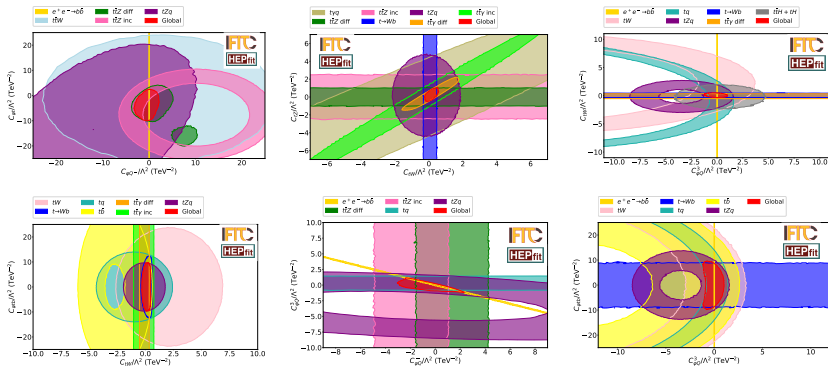


Results - Differential Cross Section Effect



Results - Complementarity Between Observables

- Very good complementarity between the observables
- The data set is diverse enough to avoid the existence of blind directions



Dependencies

[1910.03606]

parameter	$t\bar{t}$	single t	tW	tZ	t decay	$t\bar{t}Z$	$t\bar{t}W$
$C_{Qq}^{1,8}$	Λ^{-2}	—	—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}
$C_{Qq}^{3,8}$	Λ^{-2}	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	—	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}
C_{tu}^8, C_{td}^8	Λ^{-2}	—	—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	—
$C_{Qq}^{1,1}$	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	—	—	—	—	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$
$C_{Qq}^{3,1}$	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	Λ^{-2}	—	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$
C_{tu}^1, C_{td}^1	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	—	—	—	—	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	—
C_{Qu}^8, C_{Qd}^8	Λ^{-2}	—	—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	—
C_{tq}^8	Λ^{-2}	—	—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}
C_{Qu}^1, C_{Qd}^1	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	—	—	—	—	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	—
C_{tq}^1	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	—	—	—	—	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$	$\Lambda^{-4} [\Lambda^{-2}]$
$C_{\phi Q}^-$	—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	—	Λ^{-2}	—
$C_{\phi Q}^3$	—	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	—	—
$C_{\phi t}$	—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	—	Λ^{-2}	—
$C_{\phi tb}$	—	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	—	—
C_{tZ}	—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	—	Λ^{-2}	—
C_{tW}	—	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	—	—
C_{bW}	—	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	—	—
C_{tG}	Λ^{-2}	$[\Lambda^{-2}]$	Λ^{-2}	—	$[\Lambda^{-2}]$	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}

Table 1. Wilson coefficients in our analysis and their contributions to top-quark observables via SM-interference (Λ^{-2}) and via dimension-6 squared terms only (Λ^{-4}). A square bracket indicates that the Wilson coefficient contributes via SM-interference at NLO QCD. All quark masses except m_t are assumed to be zero. ‘Single t ’ stands for s - and t -channel electroweak top production.

Relevant Operators

- We use an EFT description to parametrise deviations from the SM

Relevant Operators			
Coefficient	Operator	Coefficient	Operator
$C_{\varphi Q}^1$	$(\bar{Q}\gamma^\mu Q)(\varphi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)$	$C_{\varphi Q}^3$	$(\bar{Q}\tau^I\gamma^\mu Q)(\varphi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I \varphi)$
$C_{\varphi t}$	$(\bar{t}\gamma^\mu t)(\varphi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)$	$C_{\varphi b}$	$(\bar{b}\gamma^\mu b)(\varphi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)$
$C_{t\varphi}$	$(\bar{Q}t)(\varepsilon\varphi^*\varphi^\dagger\varphi)$	C_{tG}	$(\bar{t}\sigma^{\mu\nu}T^A t)(\varepsilon\varphi^*G_{\mu\nu}^A)$
C_{tW}	$(\bar{Q}\tau^I\sigma^{\mu\nu}t)(\varepsilon\varphi^*W_{\mu\nu}^I)$	C_{tB}	$(\bar{Q}\sigma^{\mu\nu}t)(\varepsilon\varphi^*B_{\mu\nu})$
$C_{qq}^{1(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{q}_i\gamma^\mu q_j)(\bar{q}_k\gamma_\mu q_l)$	$C_{qq}^{3(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{q}_i\tau^I\gamma^\mu q_j)(\bar{q}_k\tau^I\gamma_\mu q_l)$
$C_{uu}^{(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{u}_i\gamma^\mu u_j)(\bar{u}_k\gamma_\mu u_l)$	$C_{ud}^{8(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{u}_i\gamma^\mu T^A u_j)(\bar{d}_k\gamma_\mu T^A d_l)$
$C_{qu}^{8(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{q}_i\gamma^\mu T^A q_j)(\bar{u}_k\gamma_\mu T^A u_l)$	$C_{qd}^{8(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{q}_i\gamma^\mu T^A q_j)(\bar{d}_k\gamma_\mu T^A d_l)$
C_{lQ}^1	$(\bar{Q}\gamma_\mu Q)(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)$	C_{lQ}^3	$(\bar{Q}\tau^I\gamma_\mu Q)(\bar{l}\tau^I\gamma^\mu l)$
C_{lt}	$(\bar{t}\gamma_\mu t)(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)$	C_{lb}	$(\bar{b}\gamma_\mu b)(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)$
C_{eQ}	$(\bar{Q}\gamma_\mu Q)(\bar{e}\gamma^\mu e)$	C_{et}	$(\bar{t}\gamma_\mu t)(\bar{e}\gamma^\mu e)$
C_{eb}	$(\bar{b}\gamma_\mu b)(\bar{e}\gamma^\mu e)$	—	—

Theoretical Framework

- The Wilson coefficients are fitted are:

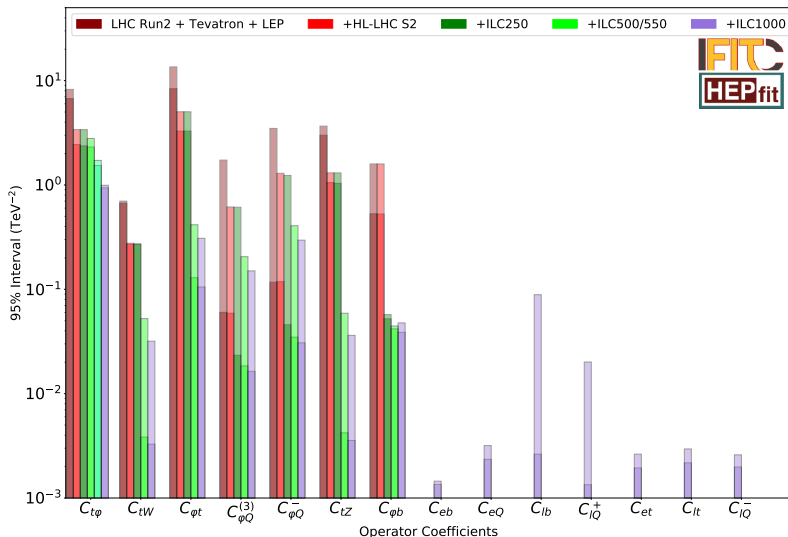
Coefficients Fitted			
2-quark	C_{tG} $C_{\phi t}$ –	$C_{\phi Q}^3$ $C_{\phi b}$ $C_{t\phi}$	$C_{\phi Q}^- = C_{\phi Q}^1 - C_{\phi Q}^3$ $C_{tZ} = c_W C_{tW} - s_W C_{tB}$ C_{tW}
4-quark	$C_{tu}^8 = \sum_{i=1,2} 2 C_{uu}^{(i33i)}$ $C_{Qu}^8 = \sum_{i=1,2} C_{qu}^{8(33ii)}$ –	$C_{td}^8 = \sum_{i=1,2,3} C_{ud}^{8(33ii)}$ $C_{Qd}^8 = \sum_{i=1,2,3} C_{qd}^{8(33ii)}$ –	$C_{Qq}^{1,8} = \sum_{i=1,2} C_{qq}^{1(i33i)} + 3 C_{qq}^{3(i33i)}$ $C_{Qq}^{3,8} = \sum_{i=1,2} C_{qq}^{1(i33i)} - C_{qq}^{3(i33i)}$ $C_{tq}^8 = \sum_{i=1,2} C_{uq}^{8(ii33)}$
2-quark 2-lepton	C_{eb} C_{lb} –	C_{et} C_{lt} –	$C_{lQ}^+ = C_{lQ}^1 + C_{lQ}^3$ $C_{lQ}^- = C_{lQ}^1 - C_{lQ}^3$ C_{eQ}

Prospects for Measurements at HL-LHC

Inclusive cross sections and helicities

Process	Measured (fb)	SM (fb)	LHC Unc.					HL-LHC Unc.				
			theo.	exp.				theo.	exp.			
				stat.	sys.	mod.	tot.		stat.	sys.	mod.	tot.
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H + tHq$	640	664.3	41.7	90	40	70.7	121.2	20.9	19.4	8.6	35.4	41.3
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}Z$	990	810.9	85.8	51.5	48.9	67.3	97.8	42.9	11.1	10.6	33.6	37.0
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma$	39.6	38.5	1.76	0.8	1.25	2.16	2.62	0.88	0.17	0.27	1.08	1.13
$pp \rightarrow tZq$	111	102	3.5	13.0	6.1	6.2	15.7	1.75	2.09	0.98	3.1	3.87
$pp \rightarrow t\gamma q$	115.7	81	4	17.1	21.1	21.1	34.4	2	1.9	2.3	10.6	11.0
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}W + EW$	770	647.5	76.1	120	59.6	73.0	152.6	38.1	13.1	6.5	36.5	39.4
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{b}$ (s-ch)	4900	5610	220	784	936	790	1454	110	35	42	395	399
$pp \rightarrow tW$	23100	22370	1570	1086	2000	2773	3587	785	49	89	1386	1390
$pp \rightarrow tq$ (t-ch)	87700	84200	250	1140	3128	4766	5810	125	51	140	2383	2390
F_0	0.693	0.687	0.005	0.009	0.006	0.009	0.014	0.003	0.0004	0.0003	0.004	0.004
F_L	0.315	0.311	0.005	0.006	0.003	0.008	0.011	0.003	0.0003	0.0002	0.004	0.004

HL-LHC and ILC results



Measurements at e^+e^- colliders: $b\bar{b}$ production

Machine	Polarisation	Energy	Luminosity	Observable
ILC	$P(e^+, e^-):(-30\%, +80\%)$ $P(e^+, e^-):(+30\%, -80\%)$	250 GeV	2 ab^{-1}	$\sigma_{b\bar{b}}$ $A_{\text{FB}}^{b\bar{b}}$
		500 GeV	4 ab^{-1}	
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		240 GeV	$20/5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$	
		360/365 GeV	$1/1.5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$	

- These observables set constraints on the EW precision observables $C_{\varphi Q}^+ = C_{\varphi Q}^1 + C_{\varphi Q}^3$ and $C_{\varphi b}$
- Also relevant for 2-quark 2-lepton operators C_{lQ}^+ , C_{lb} and C_{eb}
- The higher-energy measurement are more relevant for the 2-quark 2-lepton operators

Measurements at e^+e^- colliders: $t\bar{t}$ production

Machine	Polarisation	Energy	Luminosity	Observable
ILC	$P(e^+, e^-):(-30\%, +80\%)$	500 GeV	4 ab^{-1}	Optimal
	$P(e^+, e^-):(+30\%, -80\%)$	1 TeV	8 ab^{-1}	Observables
CLIC	$P(e^+, e^-):(0\%, +80\%)$	380 GeV	2 ab^{-1}	Optimal Observables
	$P(e^+, e^-):(0\%, -80\%)$	1.5 TeV	2.5 ab^{-1}	
		3 TeV	5 ab^{-1}	
CEPC/FCC- ee	Unpolarised	350 GeV	0.2 ab^{-1}	Optimal Observables
		365 GeV	$1/1.5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$	

- Optimal observables maximally exploit the information in the fully differential $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow bW^+\bar{b}W^-$ distribution [[1807.02121](#)]
- These constrain the 2-fermion operators $C_{\varphi Q}^-$, $C_{\varphi t}$, C_{tW} and C_{tZ}
- Also the 2-quark 2-lepton operators C_{lQ}^- , C_{lt} , C_{et} and C_{eQ}
- With these we eliminate blind directions in the $C_{\varphi Q}^{(1)} - C_{\varphi Q}^{(3)}$ plane
- Two different energies above the $t\bar{t}$ threshold are need to constrain all the 2- and 4-fermion operators

Measurements at e^+e^- colliders: $t\bar{t}H$ production

Machine	Polarisation	Energy	Luminosity	Observable
ILC	$P(e^+, e^-):(-30\%, +80\%)$	500/550 GeV	4 ab^{-1}	Inclusive cross section
	$P(e^+, e^-):(+30\%, -80\%)$	1 TeV	8 ab^{-1}	
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- Essential measurement in order to improve the limits on the top-quark Yukawa
- The effect of a ILC run at 550 GeV is studied
- At 550 GeV the production cross section increases by a large factor and boosts the statistical sensitivity by a factor two