

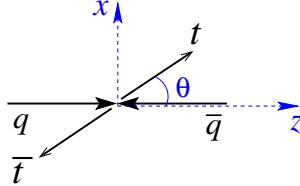
# Matrix Element for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ via V,A, and V±A currents

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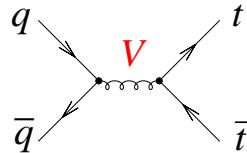
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We define  $z$ -axis as the flight direction of  $q$  in  $q\bar{q}$  rest frame (ZMF), and the  $z$ - $x$  plane as the plane where  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  occurs

Suppose  $\theta$  as the production angle of top quark w.r.t.  $z$ -axis.



## $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ via vector current



At  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  production, spin related part can be

$$\sigma \propto \sum_{q\bar{q}} |\mathfrak{M}_V|^2$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_V = (\bar{v}_{\bar{q}} \gamma^\mu u_q)(\bar{u}_t \gamma_\mu v_t) = J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\lambda_q \lambda_{\bar{q}}) J_{t\bar{t},\mu}(\lambda'_t \lambda'_{\bar{t}})$$

$$\text{where } J_{Q\bar{Q}}^\mu = \bar{v}_{\bar{Q}} \gamma^\mu u_Q, u_Q(\mathbf{p}_Q) = N_Q \begin{pmatrix} \chi_Q \\ \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_Q}{E_Q + m_Q} \chi_Q \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } v_{\bar{Q}}(\mathbf{p}_{\bar{Q}}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_{\bar{Q}}}{E_{\bar{Q}} + m_{\bar{Q}}} \chi_{\bar{Q}} \\ \chi_{\bar{Q}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Consider  $J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu$  first, where

$$u_q(\mathbf{p}_q) = N_q \begin{pmatrix} \chi_q \\ \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_q}{E_q + m_q} \chi_q \end{pmatrix} \quad v_{\bar{q}}(\mathbf{p}_{\bar{q}}) = N_{\bar{q}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_{\bar{q}}}{E_{\bar{q}} + m_{\bar{q}}} \chi_{\bar{q}} \\ \chi_{\bar{q}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

In  $q\bar{q}$  ( $t\bar{t}$ ) rest frame (ZMF),

$$\mathbf{p} \equiv \mathbf{p}_q = -\mathbf{p}_{\bar{q}} \quad E \equiv E_q = E_{\bar{q}} \quad m \equiv m_q = m_{\bar{q}},$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{v}_{\bar{q}} \gamma^\mu u_q &= N_q N_{\bar{q}} \begin{pmatrix} \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot (-\mathbf{p})}{E + m} & -\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} (\gamma^0; \gamma^i) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_q}{E + m} \chi_q \\ \chi_q \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -N_q N_{\bar{q}} \left( 0; \begin{pmatrix} \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}}{E + m} & \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_i \\ -\sigma_i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}}{E + m} \chi_q \\ \chi_q \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &= N_q N_{\bar{q}} \left( 0; \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \sigma_i \chi_q - \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}}{E + m} \sigma_i \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}}{E + m} \chi_q \right) \end{aligned}$$

Suppose the case that  $\mathbf{p} = (0, 0, p)$ , and  $m = 0$ ,

$$J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu = v_{\bar{q}} \gamma^\mu \bar{u}_q = N_q N_{\bar{q}} (0; \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (\sigma_i - \sigma_3 \sigma_1 \sigma_3) \chi_q) = 2N_q N_{\bar{q}} (0; \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \sigma_1 \chi_q, \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \sigma_2 \chi_q, 0)$$

If we consider eigen states along  $z$ -axis for  $u_q$  and  $v_{\bar{q}}$ , i.e.

$$\chi_q(\uparrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \chi_q(\downarrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{\bar{q}}(\uparrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } \chi_{\bar{q}}(\downarrow) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\uparrow\uparrow) &\propto \left\{ 0; (0 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, (0 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0 \right\} = (0; 1, i, 0) \\ J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\uparrow\downarrow) &\propto \left\{ 0; (-1 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, (-1 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0 \right\} = (0; 0, 0, 0) \\ J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\downarrow\uparrow) &\propto \left\{ 0; (0 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, (0 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, 0 \right\} = (0; 0, 0, 0) \\ J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\downarrow\downarrow) &\propto \left\{ 0; (-1 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, (-1 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, 0 \right\} = (0; -1, i, 0) \end{aligned}$$

These results are consistent to helicity conservation. Remind that the polarization vectors for a spin-1 particle are

$$\varepsilon^\mu(\lambda = \pm) = (0; \mp 1, -i, 0)/\sqrt{2}, \varepsilon^\mu(\lambda = 0) = (0; 0, 0, 1).$$

This means there is no longitudinal component for  $J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu$  and spin sum for the initial state becomes  $\sum_{\lambda_q \lambda_{\bar{q}}} \uparrow\uparrow, \downarrow\downarrow$ .

Next, we consider  $J_{t\bar{t}}$ . In ZMF, i.e.  $\mathbf{p}_t = -\mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} J_{t\bar{t}}^\mu &= \bar{u}_t \gamma^\mu v_{\bar{t}} = N_t N_{\bar{t}} \left( \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_t}{E_t + m_t} \chi_t \right)^\dagger \gamma^0 \gamma^\mu \left( \frac{-\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_t}{E_t + m_t} \chi_{\bar{t}} \right) \\ &= N_t N_{\bar{t}} \left( \chi_t^\dagger - \chi_t^\dagger (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \right) \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ -\sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \left( \frac{-(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \chi_{\bar{t}}}{\chi_{\bar{t}}} \right), \\ &= N_t N_{\bar{t}} \left( -\chi_t^\dagger (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \chi_{\bar{t}} + \chi_t^\dagger (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \chi_{\bar{t}}; -\chi_t^\dagger (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \sigma_i (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \chi_{\bar{t}} + \chi_t^\dagger \sigma_i \chi_{\bar{t}} \right) \\ &= N_t N_{\bar{t}} (0; \chi_t^\dagger \{\sigma_i - (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \sigma_i (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha})\} \chi_{\bar{t}}) \end{aligned}$$

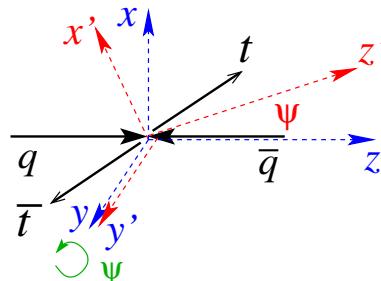
where

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \frac{\mathbf{p}_t}{E_t + m_t} = k \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}, k^2 = \left( \frac{p_t}{E_t + m_t} \right)^2 = \frac{\gamma_t - 1}{\gamma_t + 1}$$

$\theta$  is the production angle of top quark w.r.t.  $z$ -axis. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} J_{t\bar{t}}^\mu &\propto (0; \chi_t^\dagger \{\sigma_i - k^2(\sigma_1 \sin \theta + \sigma_3 \cos \theta) \sigma_i (\sigma_1 \sin \theta + \sigma_3 \cos \theta)\} \chi_{\bar{t}}) \\ &= (0; \chi_t^\dagger \{\sigma_i - k^2(\sigma_1 \sigma_i \sigma_1 \sin^2 \theta + \sigma_3 \sigma_i \sigma_1 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \sigma_1 \sigma_i \sigma_3 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \sigma_3 \sigma_i \sigma_3 \cos^2 \theta)\} \chi_{\bar{t}}) \\ &= \left( 0; \chi_t^\dagger \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 - k^2(\sigma_1 \sin^2 \theta + 2\sigma_3 \sin \theta \cos \theta - \sigma_1 \cos^2 \theta) \\ \sigma_2 - k^2(-\sigma_2 \sin^2 \theta - \sigma_2 \cos^2 \theta) \\ \sigma_3 - k^2(-\sigma_3 \sin^2 \theta + 2\sigma_1 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \sigma_3 \cos^2 \theta) \end{bmatrix} \chi_{\bar{t}} \right) \\ &= \left( 0; \chi_t^\dagger \begin{bmatrix} (1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \sigma_1 - k^2 \sin 2\theta \cdot \sigma_3 \\ (1 + k^2) \sigma_2 \\ (1 - k^2 \cos 2\theta) \sigma_3 - k^2 \sin 2\theta \cdot \sigma_1 \end{bmatrix} \chi_{\bar{t}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now we consider a new frame (top quantization frame) which is given by rotating the original frame by the angle  $\psi$  counterclockwise around  $y$ -axis.



2-component spinors for top and anti-top in a frame with the angle  $\psi$  w.r.t.  $z'$ -axis i.e. eigen spinors along  $z'$ -axis are

$$\chi_{t\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{t\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for top quark, and}$$

$$\chi_{\bar{t}\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{\bar{t}\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\cos \frac{\psi}{2} \\ -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for anti-top quark.}$$

In this case, the 4 eigen-states of  $J_{t\bar{t}}^\mu$  for the quantization basis will become

$$J_{tt}^\mu(\uparrow\uparrow) \propto \left( 0; \begin{bmatrix} (1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\cos \psi + k^2\sin 2\theta \sin \psi \\ -i(1+k^2) \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$J_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\uparrow\downarrow) = J_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\downarrow\uparrow) \propto \left( 0; \begin{bmatrix} -(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\sin \psi + k^2\sin 2\theta \cos \psi \\ 0 \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$J_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\downarrow\downarrow) \propto \left( 0; \begin{bmatrix} -(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\cos \psi - k^2\sin 2\theta \sin \psi \\ -i(1+k^2) \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Therefore

$$J_+ \equiv J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)J_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\uparrow) = J_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)J_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\downarrow)$$

$$\propto (1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\cos \psi + k^2\sin 2\theta \sin \psi + (1+k^2)$$

$$= 1 + k^2 + \cos \psi + k^2 \cos(2\theta - \psi)$$

$$J_- \equiv J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)J_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\downarrow) = J_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)J_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\uparrow)$$

$$\propto -(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\cos \psi - k^2\sin 2\theta \sin \psi + (1+k^2)$$

$$= 1 + k^2 - \cos \psi - k^2 \cos(2\theta - \psi)$$

$$J_0 \equiv J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)J_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\downarrow) = J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)J_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\uparrow) = -J_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)J_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\downarrow) = -J_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)J_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\uparrow)$$

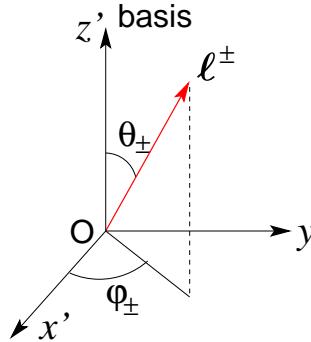
$$\propto -(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\sin \psi + k^2\sin 2\theta \cos \psi$$

$$= -\sin \psi + k^2 \sin(2\theta - \psi)$$

In the top quantization frame, using the lepton flight directions described by  $(\theta_+, \varphi_+)$  for  $\ell^+$  and  $(\theta_-, \varphi_-)$  for  $\ell^-$  in a basis, the spinor of the top (anti-top) quark can be described as

$$u_t(\theta_+, \varphi_+) = e^{-i\varphi_+/2} \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} u_{t\uparrow} + e^{i\varphi_+/2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} u_{t\downarrow}$$

$$v_{\bar{t}}(\theta_-, \varphi_-) = e^{-i\varphi_-/2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} v_{\bar{t}\downarrow} - e^{i\varphi_-/2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} v_{\bar{t}\uparrow}$$



In this case,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{t\bar{t}}^\mu &= \left( e^{i\varphi_+/2} \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \bar{u}_{t\uparrow} + e^{-i\varphi_+/2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \bar{u}_{t\downarrow} \right) \gamma^\mu \left( -e^{i\varphi_-/2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} v_{t\bar{t}\uparrow} + e^{-i\varphi_-/2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} v_{t\bar{t}\downarrow} \right) \\
&= -e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2} \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\uparrow) + e^{i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2} \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\downarrow) \\
&\quad -e^{-i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\uparrow) + e^{-i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\downarrow)
\end{aligned}$$

$t\bar{t}$  spin correlations can be seen as angular correlations of decay products.

$$\begin{aligned}
|J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)J_{t\bar{t}}|^2 &= \left| -e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2} \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow) J_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\uparrow) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + e^{i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2} \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow) J_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\downarrow) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - e^{-i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow) J_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\uparrow) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + e^{-i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow) J_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\downarrow) \right|^2 \\
&= \left| -e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2} \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_+ + e^{i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2} \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_0 \right. \\
&\quad \left. - e^{-i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_0 + e^{-i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} J_- \right|^2 \\
&= \cos^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} |J_+|^2 + \cos^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} |J_0|^2 \\
&\quad + \sin^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} |J_0|^2 + \sin^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} |J_-|^2 \\
&\quad - 2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\varphi_-} J_+ J_0^*) \\
&\quad + 2 \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\varphi_+} J_+ J_0^*) \\
&\quad - 2 \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)} J_+ J_-^*) \\
&\quad - 2 \cos(\varphi_+ - \varphi_-) \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} |J_0|^2 \\
&\quad + 2 \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\varphi_+} J_-^* J_0) \\
&\quad - 2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\varphi_-} J_-^* J_0)
\end{aligned}$$

For  $J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)J_{t\bar{t}} \rightarrow J_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)J_{t\bar{t}}$ , we just set  $J_\pm \rightarrow J_\mp$  and  $J_0 \rightarrow -J_0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
4\sigma &\propto |J_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)J_{t\bar{t}}|^2 + |J_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)J_{t\bar{t}}|^2 \\
&= \left( \cos^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} + \sin^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} \right) (|J_+|^2 + |J_-|^2) \\
&\quad + 2 \left( \cos^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} + \sin^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} \right) |J_0|^2 \\
&\quad - 2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\varphi_-} J_+ J_0^* - e^{i\varphi_-} J_-^* J_0) \\
&\quad + 2 \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\varphi_+} J_+ J_0^* - e^{i\varphi_+} J_-^* J_0) \\
&\quad - 4 \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)} J_+ J_-^*) \\
&\quad - 4 \cos(\varphi_+ - \varphi_-) \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} |J_0|^2 \\
&\quad + 2 \cos \frac{\theta_+}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\varphi_+} J_-^* J_0 - e^{i\varphi_+} J_+ J_0^*) \\
&\quad - 2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta_+}{2} \cos \frac{\theta_-}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_-}{2} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\varphi_-} J_-^* J_0 - e^{i\varphi_-} J_+ J_0^*)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (1 - \cos\theta_+ \cos\theta_-) \frac{|J_+|^2 + |J_-|^2}{2} + (1 + \cos\theta_+ \cos\theta_-) |J_0|^2 \\
&\quad - \sin\theta_+ \cos\theta_- \operatorname{Re}\{e^{i\varphi_+} (J_+ J_0^* - J_-^* J_0)\} \\
&\quad - \cos\theta_+ \sin\theta_- \operatorname{Re}\{e^{i\varphi_-} (J_+ J_0^* - J_-^* J_0)\} \\
&\quad - \sin\theta_+ \sin\theta_- \{\operatorname{Re}(e^{i(\varphi_+ + \varphi_-)} J_+ J_-^*) + \cos(\varphi_+ - \varphi_-) |J_0|^2\}
\end{aligned}$$

Here, if we choose  $\psi$  (**offdiagonal basis**) which satisfies

$$\sin\psi = k^2 \sin(2\theta - \psi)$$

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned}
\sin\psi &= k^2 (\sin 2\theta \cos \psi - \cos 2\theta \sin \psi) \\
\tan\psi &= \frac{k^2 \sin 2\theta}{1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta} = \frac{2(\gamma - 1) \sin \theta \cos \theta}{\gamma + 1 + (\gamma - 1)(1 - 2\sin^2 \theta)} = \frac{(\gamma - 1) \tan \theta}{\gamma + \tan^2 \theta} \\
\frac{1}{\gamma} \tan \theta &= \frac{\tan \theta - \tan \psi}{1 + \tan \psi \tan \theta} = \tan(\theta - \psi)
\end{aligned}$$

In this frame,

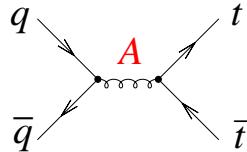
$$\begin{aligned}
J_+ &\propto 1 + k^2 + \cos \psi + k^2 \cos(2\theta - \psi) \\
J_- &\propto 1 + k^2 - \cos \psi - k^2 \cos(2\theta - \psi) \\
J_0 &= 0 \\
4\sigma &\propto (1 - \cos\theta_+ \cos\theta_-) \frac{J_+^2 + J_-^2}{2} - \sin\theta_+ \sin\theta_- \cos(\varphi_+ + \varphi_-) J_+ J_- \\
J_+ J_- &\propto (1 + k^2)^2 - \{\cos \psi + k^2 \cos(2\theta - \psi)\}^2 \\
&= \sin^2 \psi + 2k^2 + k^4 \sin^2(2\theta - \psi) - 2k^2 \cos \psi \cos(2\theta - \psi) \\
&= 2k^2 \sin \psi \sin(2\theta - \psi) + 2k^2 - 2k^2 \cos \psi \cos(2\theta - \psi) \\
&= 2k^2 - 2k^2 \cos 2\theta = 4k^2 \sin^2 \theta \\
\frac{J_+^2 + J_-^2}{2} &= \frac{1}{2} (J_+ + J_-)^2 - J_+ J_- \propto 2(1 + k^2)^2 - 4k^2 \sin^2 \theta = 2(1 + k^4) + 4k^2 \cos^2 \theta
\end{aligned}$$

Top production angle distribution is corresponding to  $\frac{J_+^2 + J_-^2}{2}$ . If top quark is ultra-relativistic  $k \rightarrow 1$ , then

$$\frac{J_+^2 + J_-^2}{2} \rightarrow 4 + 4\cos^2 \theta$$


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### $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ via axial-vector current



$$\mathfrak{M}_A = (\bar{v}_{\bar{q}} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 u_q) (\bar{u}_t \gamma_\mu \gamma^5 v_{\bar{t}}) = A_{q\bar{q}} (\lambda_q \lambda_{\bar{q}}) A_{t\bar{t}} (\lambda'_t \lambda'_{\bar{t}})$$

$$\text{where } A_{Q\bar{Q}}^\mu = \bar{v}_{\bar{Q}} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 u_Q, u_Q(\mathbf{p}_Q) = N_Q \begin{pmatrix} \chi_Q \\ \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_Q}{E_Q + m_Q} \chi_Q \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } v_{\bar{Q}}(\mathbf{p}_{\bar{Q}}) = N_{\bar{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_{\bar{Q}}}{E_{\bar{Q}} + m_{\bar{Q}}} \chi_{\bar{Q}} \\ \chi_{\bar{Q}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Assume

$$\mathbf{p} \equiv \mathbf{p}_q = -\mathbf{p}_{\bar{q}} = (0, 0, p), m_q = m_{\bar{q}} = 0, \text{ and } E = E_q = E_{\bar{q}} = p,$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{q\bar{q}}^\mu &= \bar{v}_{\bar{q}} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 u_q \propto \begin{pmatrix} -\sigma_3 \chi_{\bar{q}} \\ \chi_{\bar{q}} \end{pmatrix}^\dagger \gamma^0 \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \begin{pmatrix} \chi_q \\ \sigma_3 \chi_q \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \left( -\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \sigma_3 - \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \right) \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{array} \right); \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & \sigma_i \\ -\sigma_i & 0 \end{array} \right) \right\} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_3 \chi_q \\ \chi_q \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \left\{ 0; \left( \begin{array}{cc} \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \sigma_i & -\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \sigma_3 \sigma_i \\ \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger & \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_3 \chi_q \\ \chi_q \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\
&= \{ 0; \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (\sigma_i \sigma_3 - \sigma_3 \sigma_i) \chi_q \} \\
&= 2 \{ 0; \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (-i \sigma_2) \chi_q, \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (i \sigma_1) \chi_q, 0 \}
\end{aligned}$$

If we consider eigen states along  $z$ -axis for  $u_q$  and  $v_{\bar{q}}$ , i.e.

$$\chi_q(\uparrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \chi_q(\downarrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{\bar{q}}(\uparrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } \chi_{\bar{q}}(\downarrow) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\uparrow\uparrow) &\propto \left\{ 0; \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0 \right\} = (0; 1, i, 0) \\
A_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\uparrow\downarrow) &\propto \left\{ 0; \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \left( \begin{array}{cc} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, 0 \right\} = (0; 0, 0, 0) \\
A_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\downarrow\uparrow) &\propto \left\{ 0; \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, 0 \right\} = (0; 0, 0, 0) \\
A_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\downarrow\downarrow) &\propto \left\{ 0; \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \left( \begin{array}{cc} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, 0 \right\} = (0; 1, -i, 0)
\end{aligned}$$

The axial vector current gives helicity conservation as well.

Next, we consider  $A_{t\bar{t}}$ . In ZMF, i.e.  $\mathbf{p}_t = -\mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}}$ ,  $m_t = m_{\bar{t}}$ , and  $E_t = E_{\bar{t}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{t\bar{t}}^\mu &= \bar{u}_t \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 v_{\bar{t}} \propto \left( \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_t}{E_t + m_t} \chi_t \right)^\dagger \gamma^0 \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_t}{E_t + m_t} \chi_{\bar{t}} \\ \chi_{\bar{t}} \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \left( \chi_t^\dagger - \chi_t^\dagger (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \right) \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{array} \right); \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & \sigma_i \\ -\sigma_i & 0 \end{array} \right) \right\} \begin{pmatrix} \chi_{\bar{t}} \\ -(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \chi_{\bar{t}} \end{pmatrix}, \\
&= \{ \chi_t^\dagger \chi_{\bar{t}} - \chi_t^\dagger (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha})^2 \chi_{\bar{t}}; \chi_t^\dagger (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \sigma_i \chi_{\bar{t}} - \chi_t^\dagger \sigma_i (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \chi_{\bar{t}} \} \\
&= ((1 - \boldsymbol{\alpha}^2) \chi_t^\dagger \chi_{\bar{t}}; \chi_t^\dagger \{ (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \sigma_i - \sigma_i (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \} \chi_{\bar{t}})
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \frac{\mathbf{p}_t}{E_t + m_t} = k \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $k^2 = \left( \frac{p_t}{E_t + m_t} \right)^2 = \frac{\gamma_t - 1}{\gamma_t + 1}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{u}_t \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 v_{\bar{t}} &\propto (*; \chi_t^\dagger \{ k(\sigma_1 \sin \theta + \sigma_3 \cos \theta) \sigma_i - k \sigma_i (\sigma_1 \sin \theta + \sigma_3 \cos \theta) \} \chi_{\bar{t}}) \\
&= (*; \chi_t^\dagger \{ k(\sigma_1 \sigma_i - \sigma_i \sigma_1) \sin \theta + k(\sigma_3 \sigma_i - \sigma_i \sigma_3) \cos \theta \} \chi_{\bar{t}}) \\
&= \left( *; \chi_t^\dagger \begin{bmatrix} 2i k \sigma_2 \cos \theta \\ 2i k \sigma_3 \sin \theta - 2i k \sigma_1 \cos \theta \\ -2i k \sigma_2 \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} \chi_{\bar{t}} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Suppose

$$\chi_{t\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{t\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for top quark, and}$$

$$\chi_{\bar{t}\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{\bar{t}\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\cos \frac{\psi}{2} \\ -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for anti-top quark,}$$

then, the axial vector currents on the 4 eigen-states of  $A_{t\bar{t}}$  will be

$$\begin{aligned} A_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\uparrow\uparrow) &\propto \left( *; \begin{bmatrix} 2k \cos\theta \\ -2i k \sin\psi \sin\theta - 2i k \cos\psi \cos\theta \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ A_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\uparrow\downarrow) = A_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\downarrow\uparrow) &\propto \left( *; \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2i k \cos\psi \sin\theta + 2i k \sin\psi \cos\theta \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ A_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\downarrow\downarrow) &\propto \left( *; \begin{bmatrix} 2k \cos\theta \\ 2i k \sin\psi \sin\theta + 2i k \cos\psi \cos\theta \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} A_+ &\equiv A_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)A_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\uparrow) = \{A_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)A_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\downarrow)\} \\ &\propto 2k\{(1+\cos\psi)\cos\theta + \sin\psi\sin\theta\} = 2k\{\cos\theta + \cos(\psi-\theta)\} \\ A_- &\equiv A_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)A_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\downarrow) = \{A_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)A_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\uparrow)\} \\ &\propto 2k\{(1-\cos\psi)\cos\theta - \sin\psi\sin\theta\} = 2k\{\cos\theta - \cos(\psi-\theta)\} \\ A_0 &\equiv A_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)A_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\downarrow) = A_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)A_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\uparrow) = -A_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)A_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\downarrow) = -A_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)A_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\uparrow) \\ &\propto 2k(\cos\psi\sin\theta - \sin\psi\cos\theta) = 2k\sin(\psi-\theta) \end{aligned}$$

Using the lepton flight directions described by  $(\theta_+, \varphi_+)$  for  $\ell^+$  and  $(\theta_-, \varphi_-)$  for  $\ell^-$  in a basis, and the same calculation as the vector case can be applied.

$$\begin{aligned} 4\sigma &\propto (1-\cos\theta_+\cos\theta_-)\frac{|A_+|^2 + |A_-|^2}{2} + (1+\cos\theta_+\cos\theta_-)|A_0|^2 \\ &\quad -\sin\theta_+\cos\theta_- \text{Re}\{e^{i\varphi_+}(A_+A_0^* - A_-^*A_0)\} \\ &\quad -\cos\theta_+\sin\theta_- \text{Re}\{e^{i\varphi_-}(A_+A_0^* - A_-^*A_0)\} \\ &\quad -\sin\theta_+\sin\theta_- \{\text{Re}(e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)}A_+A_-^*) + \cos(\varphi_+ - \varphi_-)|A_0|^2\} \end{aligned}$$

If we choose  $\psi = \theta$  (**helicity basis**),

$$\begin{aligned} A_+ &\propto 2k(1+\cos\theta) \\ A_- &\propto -2k(1-\cos\theta) \\ A_0 &= 0 \\ 4\sigma &\propto (1-\cos\theta_+\cos\theta_-)\frac{A_+^2 + A_-^2}{2} - \sin\theta_+\sin\theta_- \cos(\varphi_+ + \varphi_-)A_+A_- \\ \frac{A_+^2 + A_-^2}{2} &\propto 4k^2(1+\cos^2\theta) \quad A_+A_- \propto 4k^2(1-\cos^2\theta) = 4k^2\sin^2\theta \end{aligned}$$

Intuitive understanding for this result: For non-relativistic approximation

$$\langle \gamma^\mu \rangle \sim (1; \mathbf{v}) \quad \langle \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \rangle \sim (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{v}; \boldsymbol{\sigma})$$

### $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ via V-A current

$$\mathfrak{M}_{V-A} \propto \left\{ \bar{v}_{\bar{q}} \gamma^\mu \left( \frac{1-\gamma^5}{2} \right) u_q \right\} \left\{ \bar{u}_t \gamma_\mu \left( \frac{1-\gamma^5}{2} \right) v_{\bar{t}} \right\} = M_{q\bar{q}}(\lambda_q \lambda_{\bar{q}}) M_{t\bar{t}}(\lambda'_t \lambda'_{\bar{t}})$$

$$\text{where } u_Q(\mathbf{p}_Q) = N_Q \begin{pmatrix} \chi_Q \\ \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_Q}{E_Q + m_Q} \chi_Q \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } v_{\bar{Q}}(\mathbf{p}_{\bar{Q}}) = N_{\bar{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_{\bar{Q}}}{E_{\bar{Q}} + m_{\bar{Q}}} \chi_{\bar{Q}} \\ \chi_{\bar{Q}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Assume  $\mathbf{p} \equiv \mathbf{p}_q = -\mathbf{p}_{\bar{q}} = (0, 0, p)$ ,  $m_q = m_{\bar{q}} = 0$ , and  $E_q = E_{\bar{q}} = p$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{q\bar{q}}^\mu &= \bar{v}_{\bar{q}} \gamma^\mu \left( \frac{1 - \gamma^5}{2} \right) u_q = \frac{1}{2} (J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu - A_{q\bar{q}}^\mu) \\
&\propto \frac{1}{2} [ (0; 2\chi_q^\dagger \sigma_1 \chi_q, 2\chi_q^\dagger \sigma_2 \chi_q, 0) - (0; 2\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (-i\sigma_2) \chi_q, 2\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (i\sigma_1) \chi_q, 0) ] \\
&= \{0; \chi_q^\dagger (\sigma_1 + i\sigma_2) \chi_q, -i\chi_q^\dagger (\sigma_1 + i\sigma_2) \chi_q, 0\}
\end{aligned}$$

If we consider eigen states along  $z$ -axis for  $u_q$  and  $v_{\bar{q}}$ , i.e.

$$\chi_q(\uparrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \chi_q(\downarrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{\bar{q}}(\uparrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } \chi_{\bar{q}}(\downarrow) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\sigma_1 + i\sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

then

$$M_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\uparrow\uparrow) \propto (0; 0, 0, 0)$$

$$M_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\uparrow\downarrow) \propto (0; 0, 0, 0)$$

$$M_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\downarrow\uparrow) \propto (0; 0, 0, 0)$$

$$M_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\downarrow\downarrow) \propto (0; -1, i, 0)$$

Next, we consider  $M_{t\bar{t}}$ . In ZMF, i.e.  $\mathbf{p}_t = -\mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}}$ ,  $m_t = m_{\bar{t}}$ , and  $E_t = E_{\bar{t}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{t\bar{t}}^\mu &= \bar{u}_{\bar{t}} \gamma^\mu \left( \frac{1 - \gamma^5}{2} \right) v_t = \frac{1}{2} (J_{t\bar{t}}^\mu - A_{t\bar{t}}^\mu) \\
&\propto \frac{1}{2} [ -(1 - \boldsymbol{\alpha}^2) \chi_t^\dagger \chi_{\bar{t}}; \chi_t^\dagger \{ \sigma_i - (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \sigma_i (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) - (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \sigma_i + \sigma_i (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \} \chi_{\bar{t}} ]
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \frac{\mathbf{p}_t}{E_t + m_t} = k \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $k^2 = \left( \frac{p_t}{E_t + m_t} \right)^2 = \frac{\gamma_t - 1}{\gamma_t + 1}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{t\bar{t}}^\mu &= \frac{1}{2} (J_{t\bar{t}}^\mu - A_{t\bar{t}}^\mu) \\
&= \left( *; \frac{1}{2} \chi_t^\dagger \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} (1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \sigma_1 - k^2 \sin 2\theta \cdot \sigma_3 \\ (1 + k^2) \sigma_2 \\ (1 - k^2 \cos 2\theta) \sigma_3 - k^2 \sin 2\theta \cdot \sigma_1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2i k \sigma_2 \cos \theta \\ 2i k \sigma_3 \sin \theta - 2i k \sigma_1 \cos \theta \\ -2i k \sigma_2 \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} \right\} \chi_{\bar{t}} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Suppose

$$\chi_{t\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{t\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for top quark, and}$$

$$\chi_{\bar{t}\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{\bar{t}\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\cos \frac{\psi}{2} \\ -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for anti-top quark,}$$

then

$$M_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\uparrow\uparrow) \propto \frac{1}{2} \left( *; \begin{bmatrix} (1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \cos \psi + k^2 \sin 2\theta \sin \psi - 2k \cos \theta \\ -i(1 + k^2) + 2i k \sin \psi \sin \theta + 2i k \cos \psi \cos \theta \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$M_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\uparrow\downarrow) = M_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\downarrow\uparrow) \propto \frac{1}{2} \left( *; \begin{bmatrix} -(1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \sin \psi + k^2 \sin 2\theta \cos \psi \\ 2i k \cos \psi \sin \theta - 2i k \sin \psi \cos \theta \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$M_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\downarrow\downarrow) \propto \frac{1}{2} \left( *; \begin{bmatrix} -(1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \cos \psi - k^2 \sin 2\theta \sin \psi - 2k \cos \theta \\ -i(1 + k^2) - 2i k \sin \psi \sin \theta - 2i k \cos \psi \cos \theta \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
M_+ &\equiv M_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)M_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\downarrow) \\
&\propto \frac{1}{2}\{(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\cos\psi + k^2\sin 2\theta\sin\psi + 2k\cos\theta \\
&\quad + (1+k^2) + 2k\sin\psi\sin\theta + 2k\cos\psi\cos\theta\} \\
M_- &\equiv M_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)M_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\uparrow) \\
&\propto \frac{1}{2}\{-(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\cos\psi - k^2\sin 2\theta\sin\psi + 2k\cos\theta \\
&\quad + (1+k^2) - 2k\sin\psi\sin\theta - 2k\cos\psi\cos\theta\} \\
M_0 &\equiv M_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)M_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\downarrow) = M_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)M_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\uparrow) \\
&\propto \frac{1}{2}\{(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\sin\psi - k^2\sin 2\theta\cos\psi - 2k\cos\psi\sin\theta + 2k\sin\psi\cos\theta\}
\end{aligned}$$

Using the lepton flight directions described by  $(\theta_+, \varphi_+)$  for  $\ell^+$  and  $(\theta_-, \varphi_-)$  for  $\ell^-$  in a basis, and the same calculation as the vector case can be applied.

$$\begin{aligned}
|M_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)M_{t\bar{t}}|^2 &= \left| -e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2}\cos\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_-}{2}M_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)M_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\uparrow) \right. \\
&\quad + e^{i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2}\cos\frac{\theta_+}{2}\cos\frac{\theta_-}{2}M_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)M_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\downarrow) \\
&\quad - e^{-i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2}\sin\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_-}{2}M_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)M_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\uparrow) \\
&\quad \left. + e^{-i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2}\sin\frac{\theta_+}{2}\cos\frac{\theta_-}{2}M_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)M_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\downarrow) \right|^2 \\
&= \left| -e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2}\cos\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_-}{2}M_+ + e^{i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2}\cos\frac{\theta_+}{2}\cos\frac{\theta_-}{2}M_0 \right. \\
&\quad - e^{-i(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)/2}\sin\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_-}{2}M_0 + e^{-i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)/2}\sin\frac{\theta_+}{2}\cos\frac{\theta_-}{2}M_- \left. \right|^2 \\
&= \cos^2\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin^2\frac{\theta_-}{2}|M_+|^2 + \cos^2\frac{\theta_+}{2}\cos^2\frac{\theta_-}{2}|M_0|^2 \\
&\quad + \sin^2\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin^2\frac{\theta_-}{2}|M_0|^2 + \sin^2\frac{\theta_+}{2}\cos^2\frac{\theta_-}{2}|M_-|^2 \\
&\quad - 2\cos^2\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_-}{2}\cos\frac{\theta_-}{2}\text{Re}(e^{i\varphi_-}M_+M_0^*) \\
&\quad + 2\cos\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin^2\frac{\theta_-}{2}\text{Re}(e^{i\varphi_+}M_+M_0^*) \\
&\quad - 2\cos\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_-}{2}\cos\frac{\theta_-}{2}\text{Re}(e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)}M_+M_-^*) \\
&\quad - 2\cos(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)\cos\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_+}{2}\cos\frac{\theta_-}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_-}{2}|M_0|^2 \\
&\quad + 2\cos\frac{\theta_+}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_+}{2}\cos^2\frac{\theta_-}{2}\text{Re}(e^{i\varphi_+}M_-^*M_0) \\
&\quad - 2\sin^2\frac{\theta_+}{2}\cos\frac{\theta_-}{2}\sin\frac{\theta_-}{2}\text{Re}(e^{i\varphi_-}M_-^*M_0) \\
4\sigma &\propto \frac{1}{4}(1+\cos\theta_+)(1-\cos\theta_-)|M_+|^2 + \frac{1}{4}(1-\cos\theta_+)(1+\cos\theta_-)|M_-|^2 \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}(1+\cos\theta_+\cos\theta_-)|M_0|^2 \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+\sin\theta_-\text{Re}(e^{i(\varphi_++\varphi_-)}M_+M_-^*) \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+\sin\theta_-\cos(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)|M_0|^2 \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2}(1+\cos\theta_+)\sin\theta_-\text{Re}(e^{i\varphi_-}M_+M_0^*) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+(1-\cos\theta_-)\text{Re}(e^{i\varphi_+}M_+M_0^*) \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2}(1-\cos\theta_+)\sin\theta_-\text{Re}(e^{i\varphi_-}M_-^*M_0) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+(1+\cos\theta_-)\text{Re}(e^{i\varphi_+}M_-^*M_0)
\end{aligned}$$

In case of real  $M_+$ ,  $M_-$ , and  $M_0$

$$\begin{aligned} 4\sigma \propto & \frac{1}{4}(1+\cos\theta_+)(1-\cos\theta_-)M_+^2 + \frac{1}{4}(1-\cos\theta_+)(1+\cos\theta_-)M_-^2 \\ & + \frac{1}{2}(1+\cos\theta_+\cos\theta_-)M_0^2 \\ & - \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+\sin\theta_-\cos(\varphi_++\varphi_-)M_+M_- \\ & - \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+\sin\theta_-\cos(\varphi_+-\varphi_-)M_0^2 \\ & - \frac{1}{2}(1+\cos\theta_+)\sin\theta_-\cos\varphi_-M_+M_0 \\ & + \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+(1-\cos\theta_-)\cos\varphi_+M_+M_0 \\ & - \frac{1}{2}(1-\cos\theta_+)\sin\theta_-\cos\varphi_-M_-M_0 \\ & + \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+(1+\cos\theta_-)\cos\varphi_+M_-M_0 \end{aligned}$$

If we choose  $\psi$  which satisfies  $M_0 = 0$ , i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} (1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\sin\psi - k^2\sin 2\theta\cos\psi - 2k\cos\psi\sin\theta + 2k\sin\psi\cos\theta &= 0 \\ \sin\psi(1+k^2\cos 2\theta + 2k\cos\theta) &= \cos\psi(k^2\sin 2\theta + 2k\sin\theta) \\ \tan\psi\{(1+k\cos\theta)^2 - k^2\sin^2\theta\} &= 2k\sin\theta(1+k\cos\theta) \\ \tan\psi &= \frac{2k\sin\theta(1+k\cos\theta)}{(1+k\cos\theta)^2 - k^2\sin^2\theta} \end{aligned}$$

For ultra-relativistic  $t\bar{t}$  production ( $k \rightarrow 1$ )

$$\tan\psi = \frac{2\sin\theta(1+\cos\theta)}{(1+\cos\theta)^2 - \sin^2\theta} = \frac{2\sin\theta(1+\cos\theta)}{2\cos\theta + 2\cos^2\theta} = \tan\theta$$

For threshold  $t\bar{t}$  production ( $k = 0$ )

$$\tan\psi = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4\sigma \propto & \frac{1}{4}(1+\cos\theta_+)(1-\cos\theta_-)M_+^2 + \frac{1}{4}(1-\cos\theta_+)(1+\cos\theta_-)M_-^2 \\ & - \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+\sin\theta_-\cos(\varphi_++\varphi_-)M_+M_- \end{aligned}$$


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$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  via **V+A** current

$$\mathfrak{M}_{V-A} \propto \left\{ \bar{v}_{\bar{q}}\gamma^\mu \left( \frac{1+\gamma^5}{2} \right) u_q \right\} \left\{ \bar{u}_t\gamma_\mu \left( \frac{1+\gamma^5}{2} \right) v_{\bar{t}} \right\} = L_{q\bar{q}}(\lambda_q\lambda_{\bar{q}})L_{t\bar{t}}(\lambda'_t\lambda'_{\bar{t}})$$

$$\text{where } u_Q(\mathbf{p}_Q) = N_Q \begin{pmatrix} \chi_Q \\ \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_Q}{E_Q + m_Q} \chi_Q \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } v_{\bar{Q}}(\mathbf{p}_{\bar{Q}}) = N_{\bar{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}_{\bar{Q}}}{E_{\bar{Q}} + m_{\bar{Q}}} \chi_{\bar{Q}} \\ \chi_{\bar{Q}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Assume  $\mathbf{p} \equiv \mathbf{p}_q = -\mathbf{p}_{\bar{q}} = (0, 0, p)$ ,  $m_q = m_{\bar{q}} = 0$ , and  $E_q = E_{\bar{q}} = p$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} L_{q\bar{q}}^\mu &= \bar{v}_{\bar{q}}\gamma^\mu \left( \frac{1+\gamma^5}{2} \right) u_q = \frac{1}{2}(J_{q\bar{q}}^\mu + A_{q\bar{q}}^\mu) \\ &\propto \frac{1}{2}[(0; 2\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \sigma_1 \chi_q, 2\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger \sigma_2 \chi_q, 0) + \{0; 2\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (-i\sigma_2) \chi_q, 2\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (i\sigma_1) \chi_q, 0\}] \\ &= \{0; \chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (\sigma_1 - i\sigma_2) \chi_q, i\chi_{\bar{q}}^\dagger (\sigma_1 - i\sigma_2) \chi_q, 0\} \end{aligned}$$

If we consider eigen states along  $z$ -axis for  $u_q$  and  $v_{\bar{q}}$ , i.e.

$$\chi_q(\uparrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \chi_q(\downarrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{\bar{q}}(\uparrow) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } \chi_{\bar{q}}(\downarrow) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\sigma_1 - i\sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

then

$$L_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\uparrow\uparrow) \propto (0; 1, i, 0)$$

$$L_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\uparrow\downarrow) \propto (0; 0, 0, 0)$$

$$L_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\downarrow\uparrow) \propto (0; 0, 0, 0)$$

$$L_{q\bar{q}}^\mu(\downarrow\downarrow) \propto (0; 0, 0, 0)$$

Next, we consider  $L_{t\bar{t}}$ . In ZMF, i.e.  $\mathbf{p}_t = -\mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}}$ ,  $m_t = m_{\bar{t}}$ , and  $E_t = E_{\bar{t}}$

$$L_{t\bar{t}}^\mu = \bar{u}_t \gamma^\mu \left( \frac{1 + \gamma^5}{2} \right) v_{\bar{t}} = \frac{1}{2} (J_{tt}^\mu + A_{tt}^\mu),$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{2} [(1 - \boldsymbol{\alpha}^2) \chi_t^\dagger \chi_{\bar{t}}; \chi_t^\dagger \{ \sigma_i - (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \sigma_i (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) + (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \sigma_i - \sigma_i (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \} \chi_{\bar{t}}],$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \frac{\mathbf{p}_t}{E_t + m_t} = k \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $k^2 = \left( \frac{p_t}{E_t + m_t} \right)^2 = \frac{\gamma_t - 1}{\gamma_t + 1}$ , then

$$L_{t\bar{t}}^\mu = \frac{1}{2} (J_{tt}^\mu + A_{tt}^\mu)$$

$$= \left( *; \frac{1}{2} \chi_t^\dagger \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} (1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \sigma_1 - k^2 \sin 2\theta \cdot \sigma_3 \\ (1 + k^2) \sigma_2 \\ (1 - k^2 \cos 2\theta) \sigma_3 - k^2 \sin 2\theta \cdot \sigma_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2i k \sigma_2 \cos \theta \\ 2i k \sigma_3 \sin \theta - 2i k \sigma_1 \cos \theta \\ -2i k \sigma_2 \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} \right\} \chi_{\bar{t}} \right)$$

Suppose

$$\chi_{t\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{t\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for top quark, and}$$

$$\chi_{\bar{t}\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \chi_{\bar{t}\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} -\cos \frac{\psi}{2} \\ -\sin \frac{\psi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for anti-top quark,}$$

then

$$L_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\uparrow\uparrow) \propto \frac{1}{2} \left( *; \begin{bmatrix} (1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \cos \psi + k^2 \sin 2\theta \sin \psi + 2k \cos \theta \\ -i(1 + k^2) - 2i k \sin \psi \sin \theta - 2i k \cos \psi \cos \theta \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$L_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\uparrow\downarrow) = L_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\downarrow\uparrow) \propto \frac{1}{2} \left( *; \begin{bmatrix} -(1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \sin \psi + k^2 \sin 2\theta \cos \psi \\ -2i k \cos \psi \sin \theta + 2i k \sin \psi \cos \theta \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$L_{t\bar{t}}^\mu(\downarrow\downarrow) \propto \frac{1}{2} \left( *; \begin{bmatrix} -(1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \cos \psi - k^2 \sin 2\theta \sin \psi + 2k \cos \theta \\ -i(1 + k^2) + 2i k \sin \psi \sin \theta + 2i k \cos \psi \cos \theta \\ * \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$L_+ \equiv L_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow) L_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\uparrow)$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{2} \{ (1 + k^2 \cos 2\theta) \cos \psi + k^2 \sin 2\theta \sin \psi + 2k \cos \theta$$

$$+ (1 + k^2) + 2k \sin \psi \sin \theta + 2k \cos \psi \cos \theta \}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
L_- &\equiv L_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)L_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\downarrow) \\
&\propto \frac{1}{2}\{-(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\cos\psi - k^2\sin 2\theta\sin\psi + 2k\cos\theta \\
&\quad + (1+k^2) - 2k\sin\psi\sin\theta - 2k\cos\psi\cos\theta\} \\
L_0 &\equiv L_{q\bar{q}}(\uparrow\uparrow)L_{t\bar{t}}(\uparrow\downarrow) = L_{q\bar{q}}(\downarrow\downarrow)L_{t\bar{t}}(\downarrow\uparrow) \\
&\propto \frac{1}{2}\{-(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\sin\psi + k^2\sin 2\theta\cos\psi + 2k\cos\psi\sin\theta - 2k\sin\psi\cos\theta\}
\end{aligned}$$

These results are almost same as V-A except for  $L_0$  sign, i.e.

$$L_\pm = M_\pm \quad L_0 = -M_0.$$

If we choose  $\psi$  which satisfies  $L_0 = 0$ , i.e.

$$\begin{aligned}
(1+k^2\cos 2\theta)\sin\psi - k^2\sin 2\theta\cos\psi - 2k\cos\psi\sin\theta + 2k\sin\psi\cos\theta &= 0 \\
\tan\psi &= \frac{2k\sin\theta(1+k\cos\theta)}{(1+k\cos\theta)^2 - k^2\sin^2\theta} \\
4\sigma &\propto \frac{1}{4}(1+\cos\theta_+)(1-\cos\theta_-)L_+^2 + \frac{1}{4}(1-\cos\theta_+)(1+\cos\theta_-)L_-^2 \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta_+\sin\theta_-\cos(\varphi_+ + \varphi_-)L_+L_-
\end{aligned}$$

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