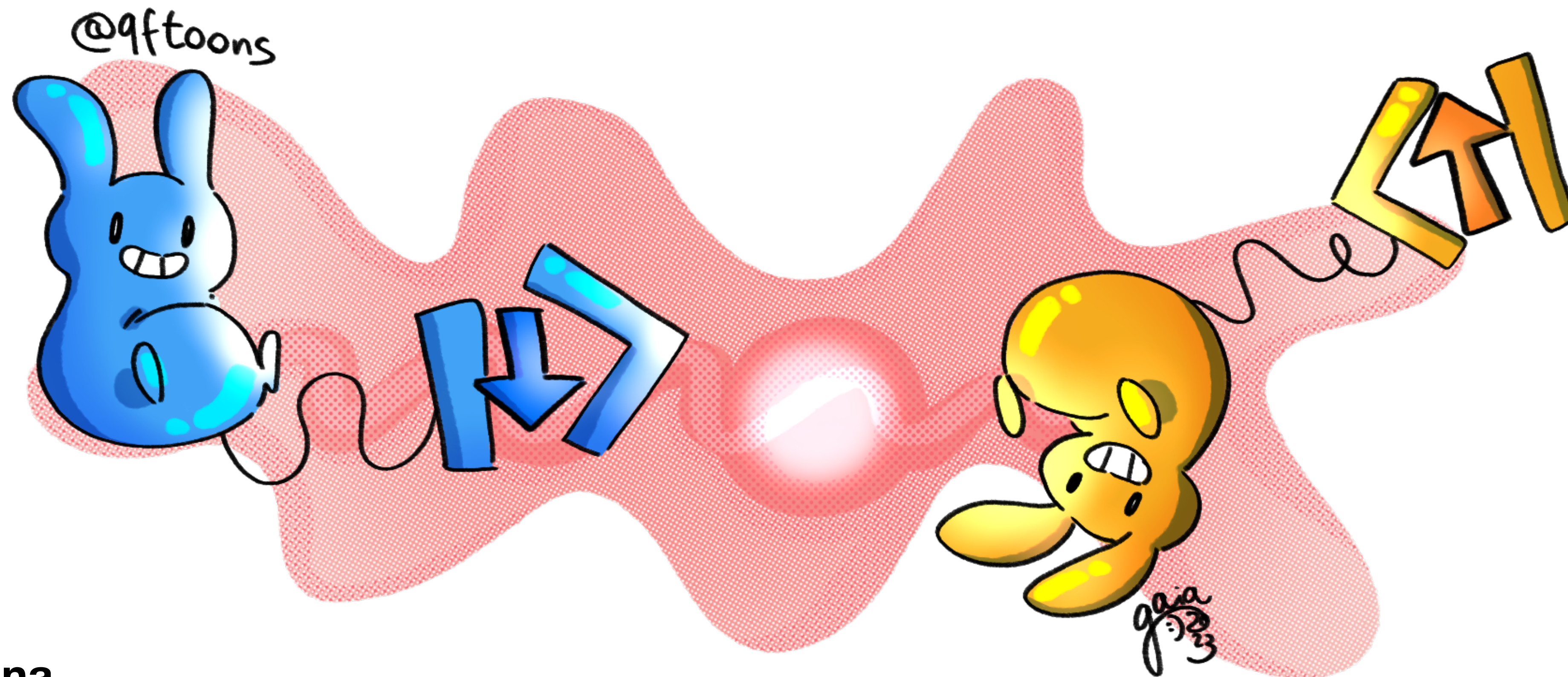


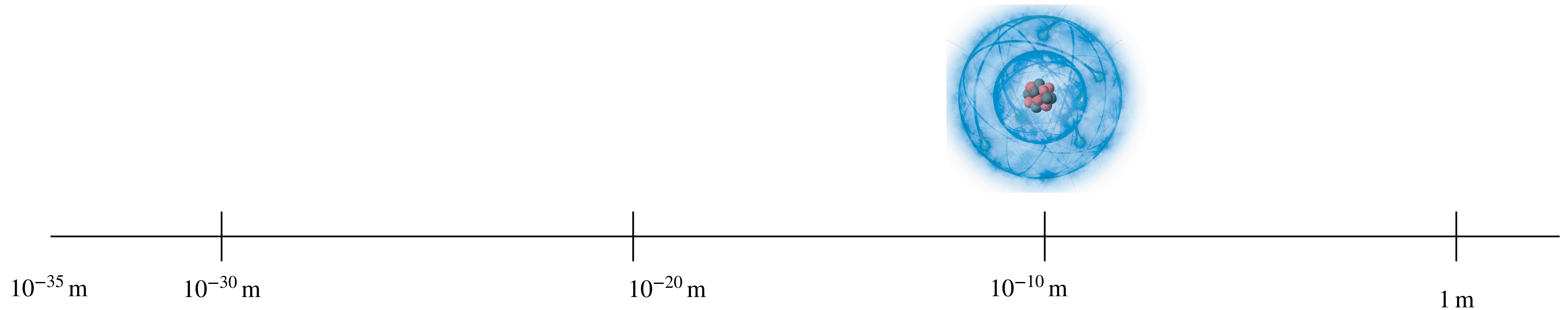
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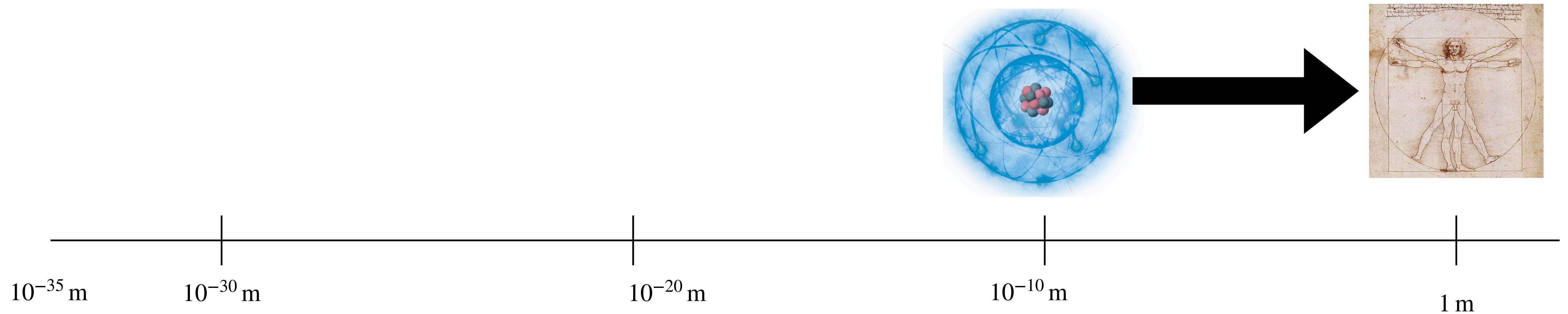
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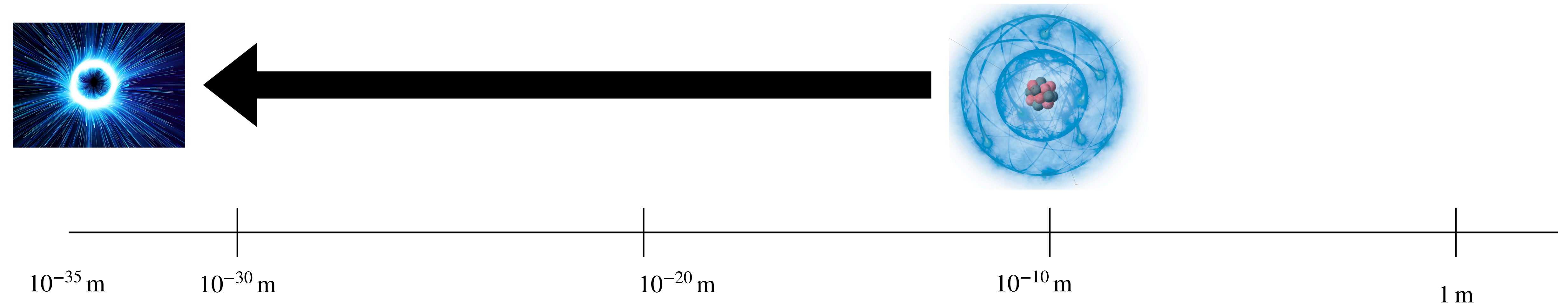
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Quantum information paradox (gravity+quantum mechanics):

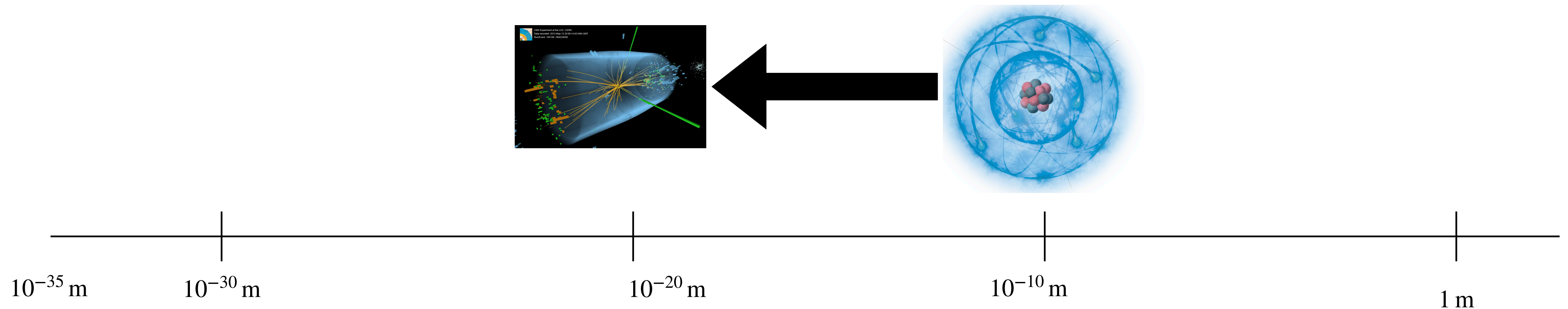


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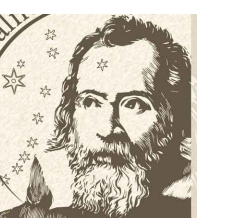
- Does spacetime emerge from entanglement?
- Do black holes have interiors?
- Does the universe exist outside our horizon?
- **What is the information-theoretic structure of quantum field theories?**
- Can quantum computers simulate all physical phenomena?
- How does quantum information flow in time?

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What can we learn on Fundamental Interactions from quantum information ideas/methods/techniques/results?



***Io stimo più il trovar un vero, benché di cosa leggera, che 'l disputar lungamente delle massime questioni senza conseguir verità nissuna.**



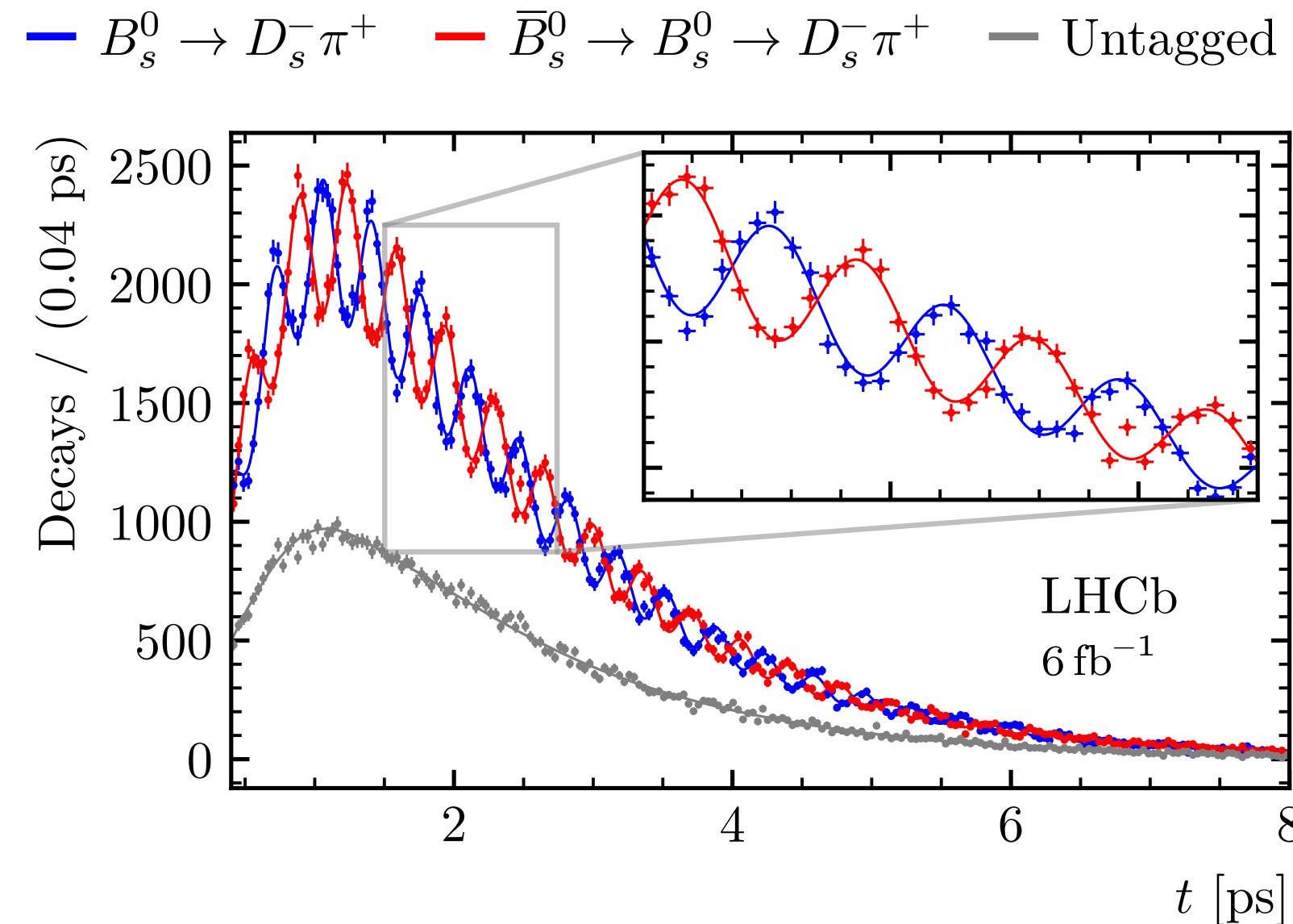
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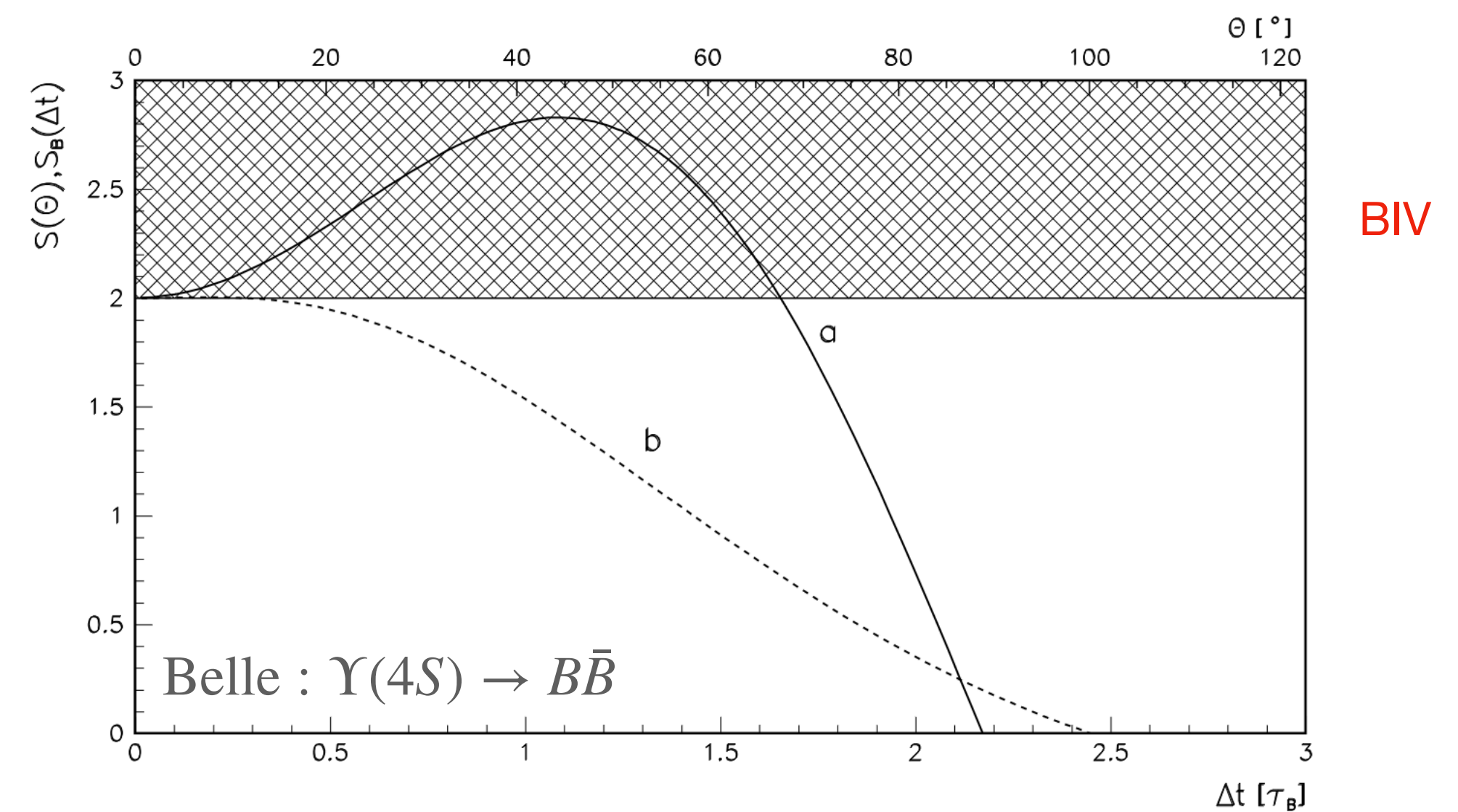
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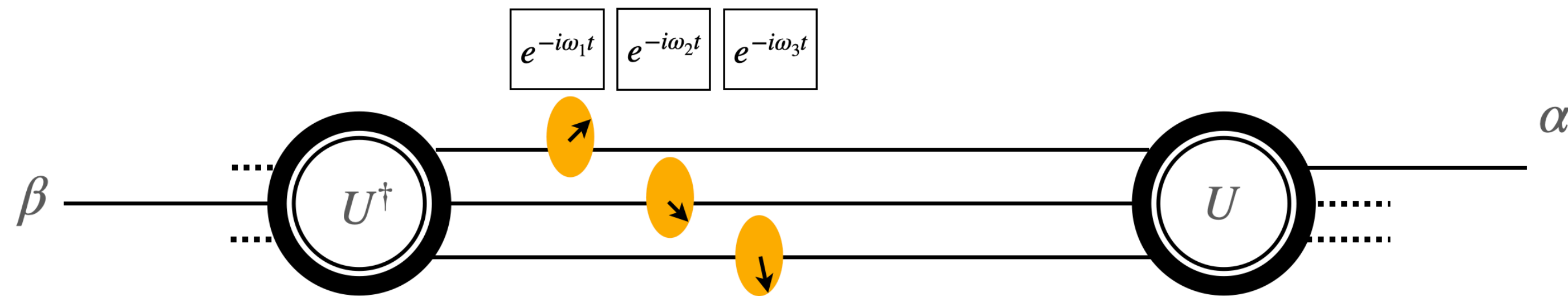


2-leg : Leggett-Garg K4 (like Bell)

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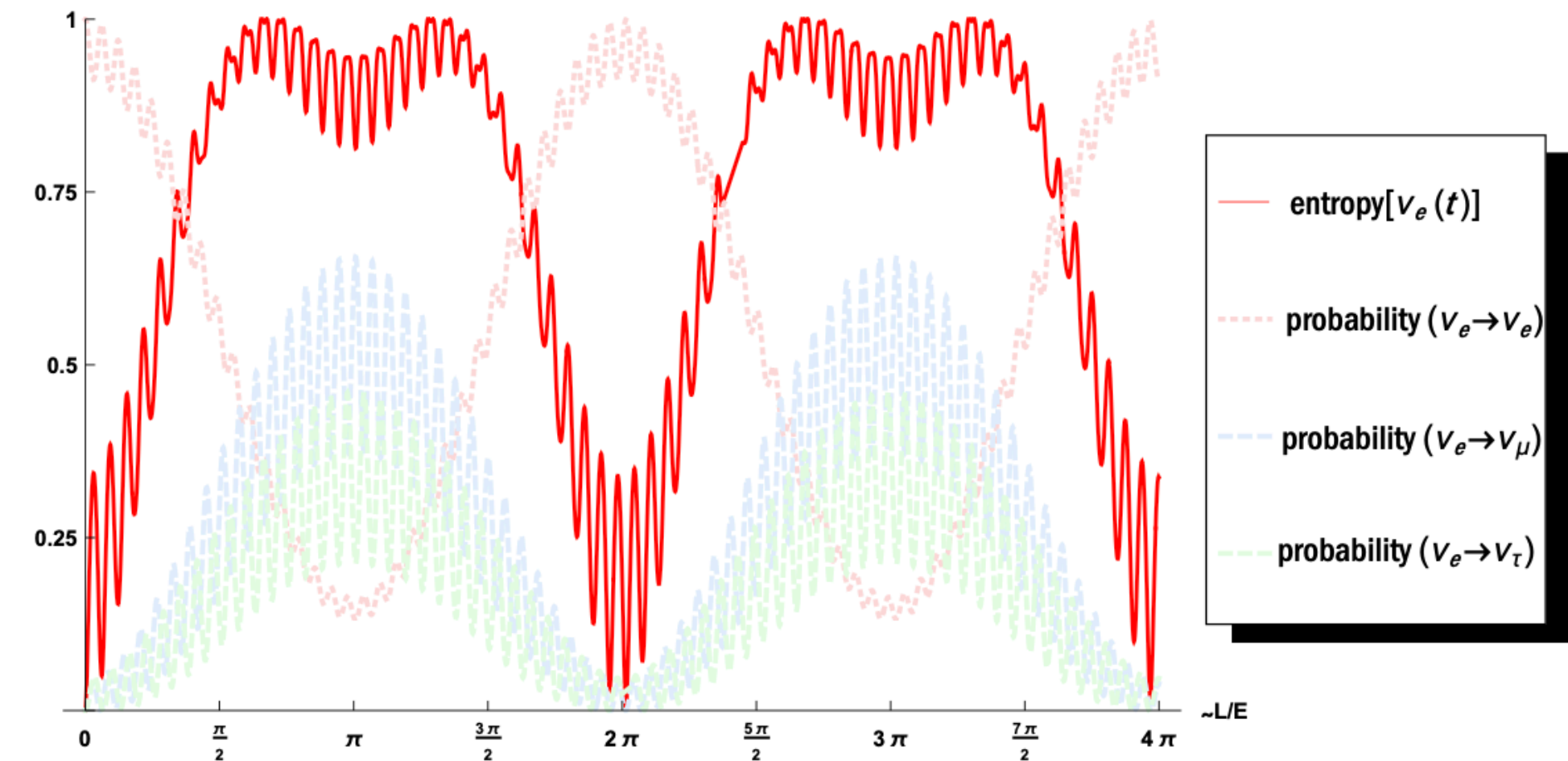
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$$|\Psi(t)\rangle_\alpha = a_{\alpha e}(t) |100\rangle + a_{\alpha \mu}(t) |010\rangle + a_{\alpha \tau}(t) |001\rangle$$

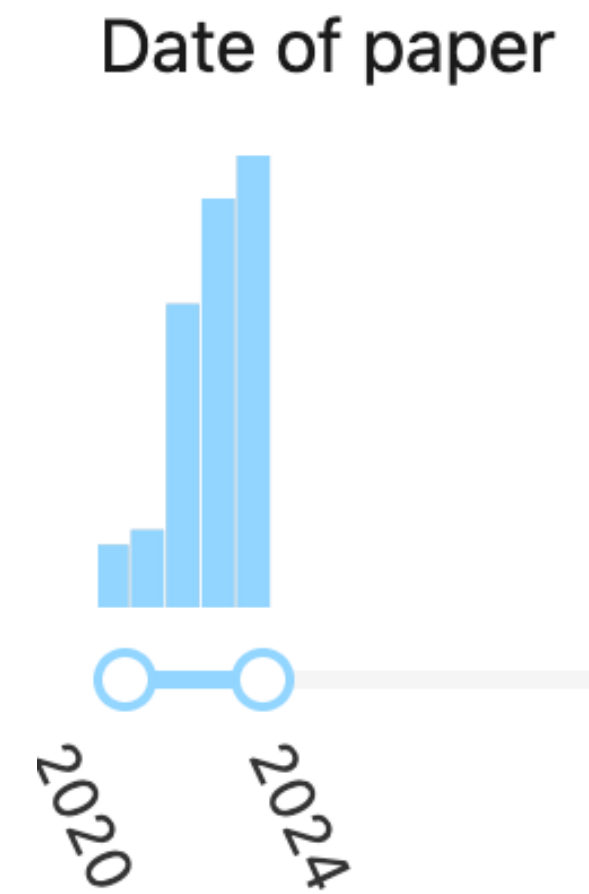
Neutrino oscillations as bi- and tri-partite systems [Blasone et al.] to more recent analyses of neutrino oscillations [Banerjee et al.]. See also [Kumar et al.]. Possibility of using quantum observables to access the mass hierarchy [Dixit et al.], distinguishing between Majorana vs Dirac [Richter et al.]. For a very interesting proposal to use Leggett-Garg violations at different energies was made [Formaggio et al.].



Introduction

What can we learn on Fundamental Interactions from quantum information ideas/methods/techniques/results?

- Recent and growing interest in the high- Q^2 **collider community** with ~100 papers in the last few years.
- Broadening of interests in more formal and pheno aspects.
- First experimental results appeared starting Nov 2023!



Citations to the Afik & de Nova paper

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- **Community pride:** $\mathcal{QM} \subset \mathcal{QFT}$
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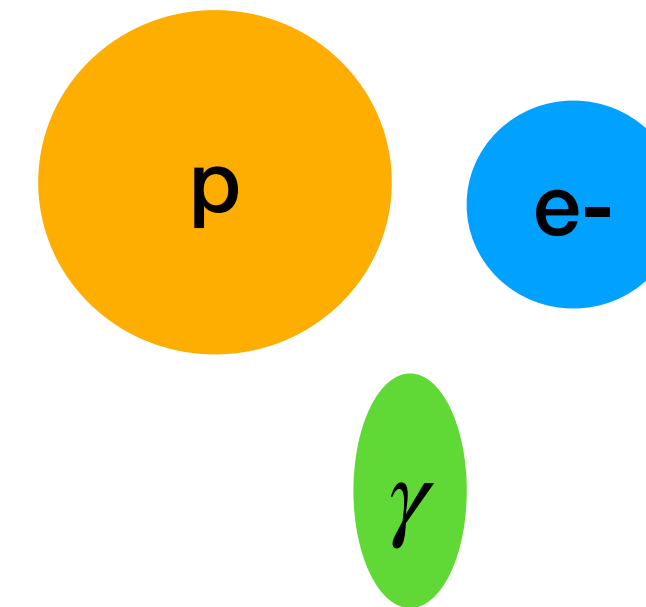
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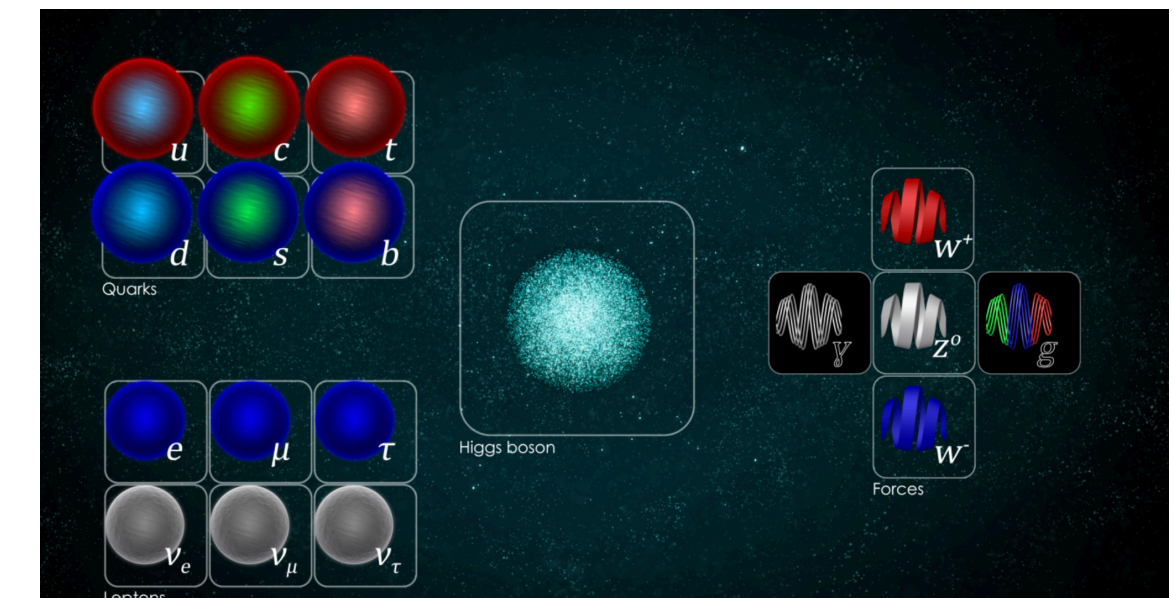
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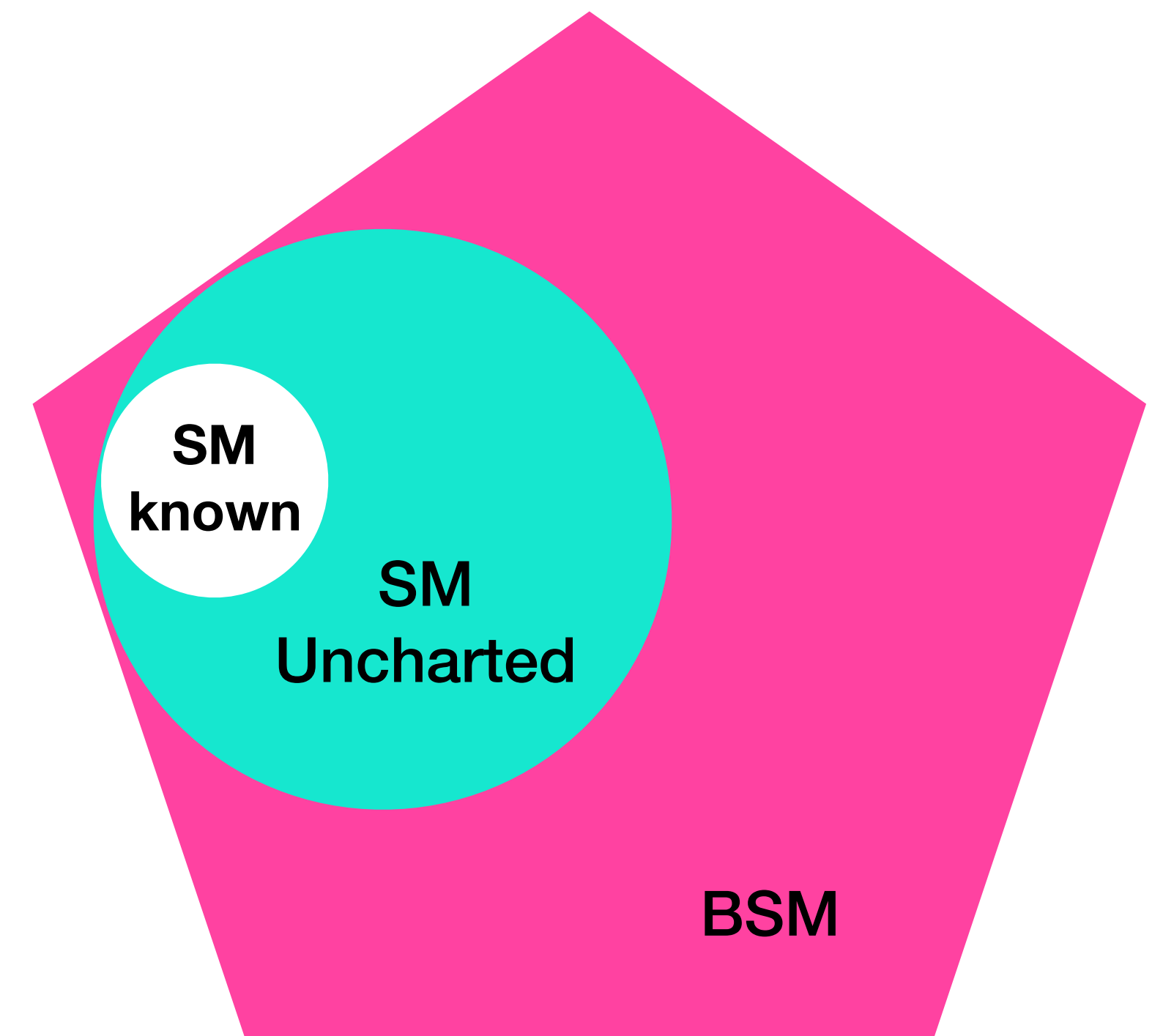
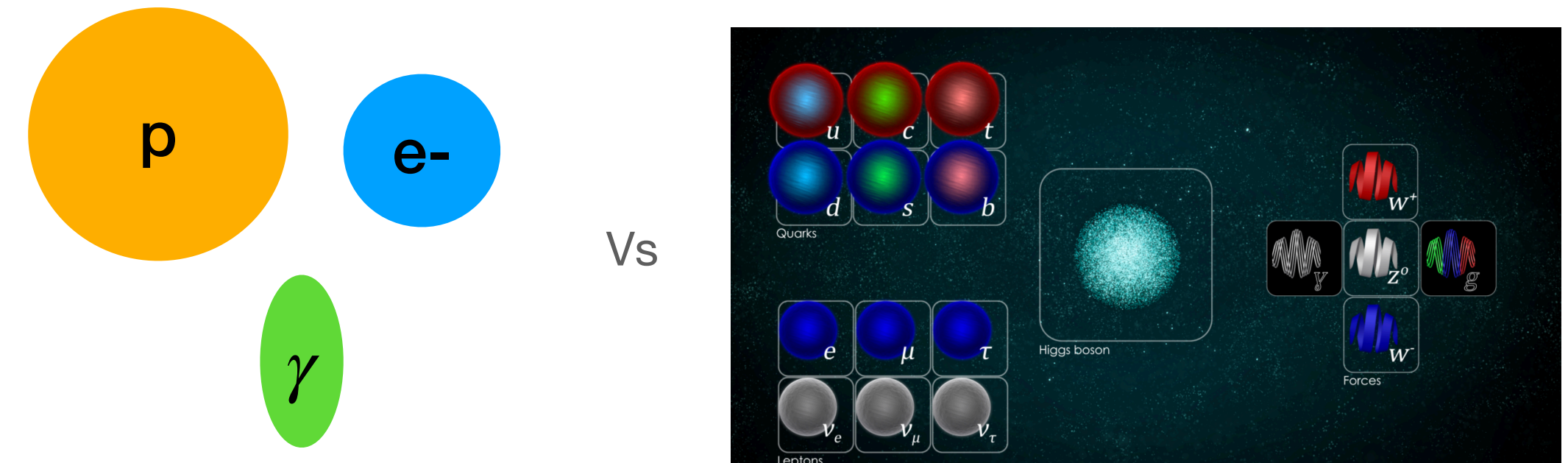


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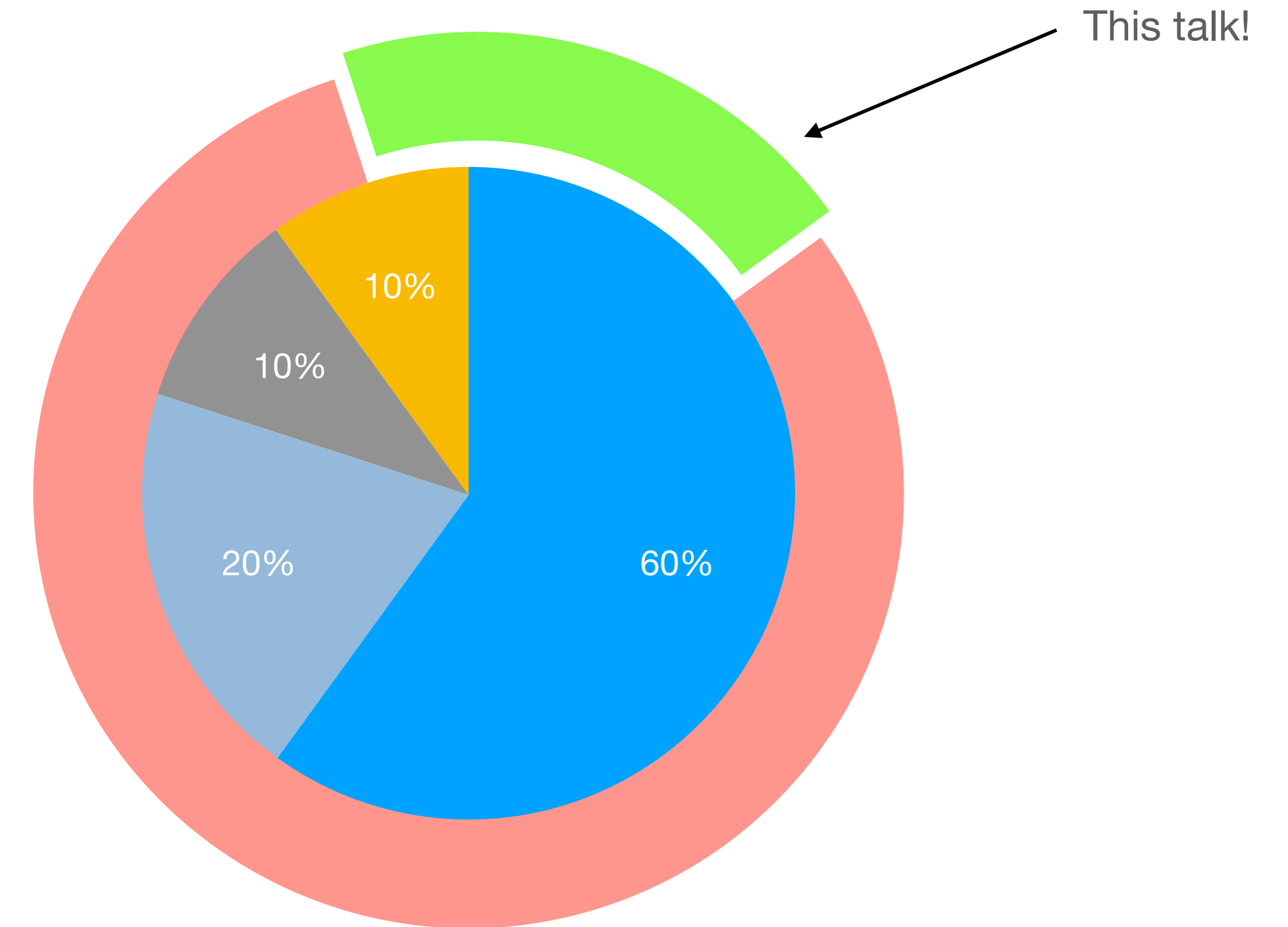
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● 2 qubits ● 2 qutrits
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For a nice review:

Quantum entanglement and Bell inequality violation at colliders

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<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2402.07972.pdf>

Basics

Density matrix : pure versus mixed

Schrödinger wave function (pure)

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n \alpha_n |\phi_n\rangle$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi(t)\rangle = H |\psi(t)\rangle$$

$$\langle A \rangle = \langle \psi | A | \psi \rangle$$

$$\langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 1$$

$$|\langle \phi | \psi \rangle|^2 \geq 0$$

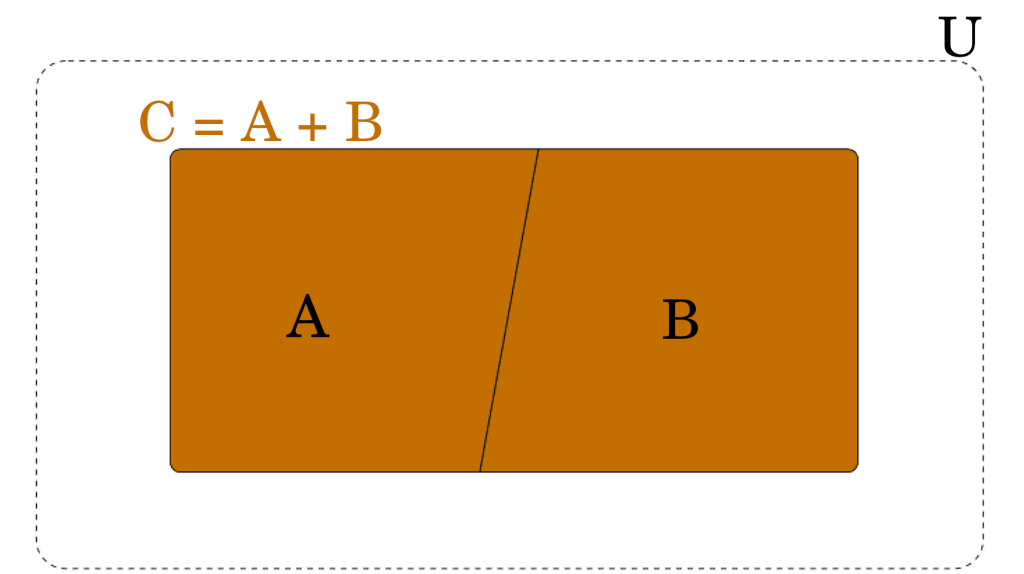
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Density matrix : pure versus mixed

Schrödinger wave function (pure)	Pure	Generic (mixed)
$ \psi\rangle = \sum_n \alpha_n \phi_n\rangle$	$\rho = \psi\rangle\langle\psi $	$\rho = \sum_j p_j \psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j \quad (\sum_j p_j = 1, p_j \geq 0)$
$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \psi(t)\rangle = H \psi(t)\rangle$	$i\hbar \frac{d\rho}{dt} = [H, \rho]$	
$\langle A \rangle = \langle \psi A \psi \rangle$	$\langle A \rangle = \text{Tr}[A\rho]$	
$\langle \psi \psi \rangle = 1$	$\text{Tr}[\rho] = 1$	
$ \langle \phi \psi \rangle ^2 \geq 0$	$\text{Tr}[\rho^2] = 1 \quad \rho = \rho^2$	$\text{Tr}[\rho^2] < 1 \quad \rho \neq \rho^2$

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Composite systems

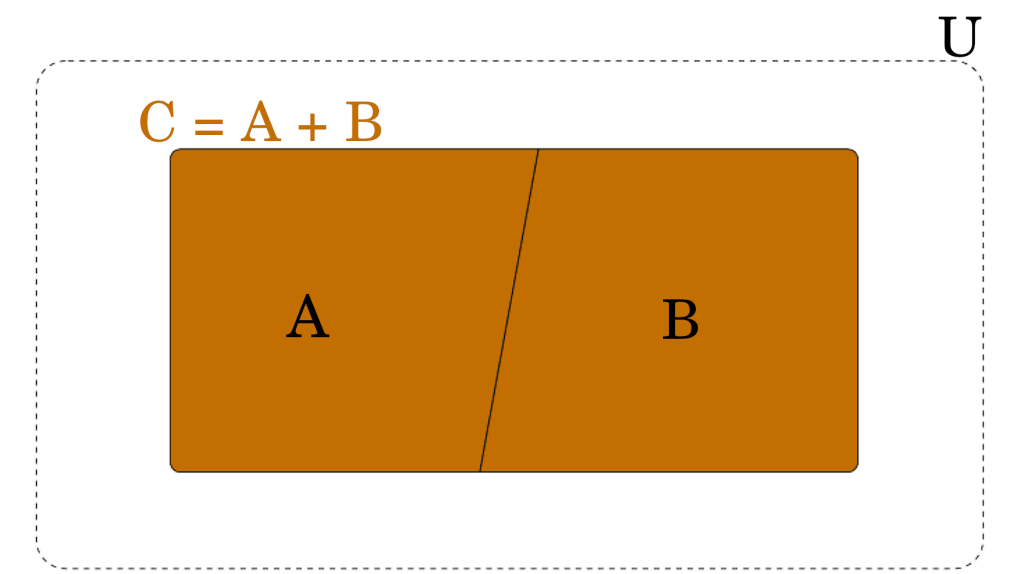


Product pure state	Generic state (entangled)
$ \psi\rangle = a\rangle \otimes b\rangle$	$ \psi\rangle = \sum_{ij} p_{ij} a_i\rangle \otimes b_j\rangle \quad p_{ij} \in \mathbb{C}, \sum_{ij} p_{ij} p_{ij}^* = 1$ <p style="text-align: center;">$a_i\rangle, b_j\rangle$ orthonormal bases</p>
Separable	Non-separable (generic)
$\rho = \sum_i p_i \rho_A^i \otimes \rho_B^i$ $p_i \geq 0, \sum_i p_i = 1$	$\rho = \sum_{ijkl} p_{ij} p_{kl}^* a_i\rangle \otimes b_j\rangle \langle a_k \otimes \langle b_l = \sum_{ijkl} p_{ij} p_{kl}^* a_i\rangle \langle a_k \otimes b_j\rangle \langle b_l $ $\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B [\rho] = \sum_{ijl} p_{ij} p_{kj}^* a_i\rangle \langle a_k $ $\rho_B = \text{Tr}_A [\rho] = \sum_{ijl} p_{ij} p_{il}^* b_j\rangle \langle b_l $

The properties are different for pure and mixed states

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Entanglement



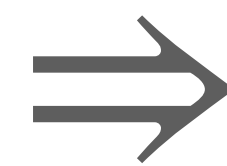
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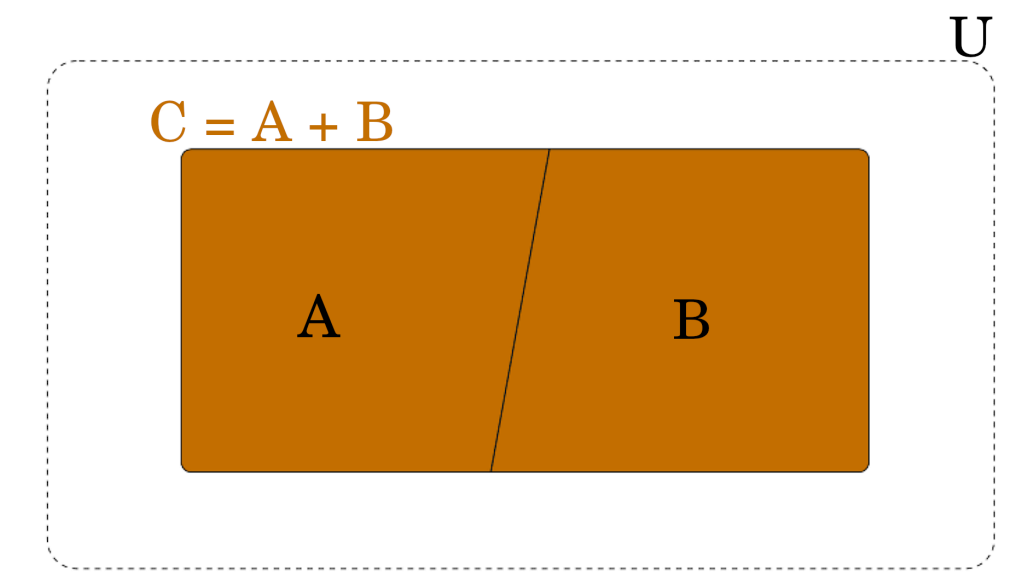
$$\rho_B = \sum_i \lambda_i |z_i\rangle_B \langle z_i|$$



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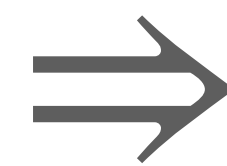
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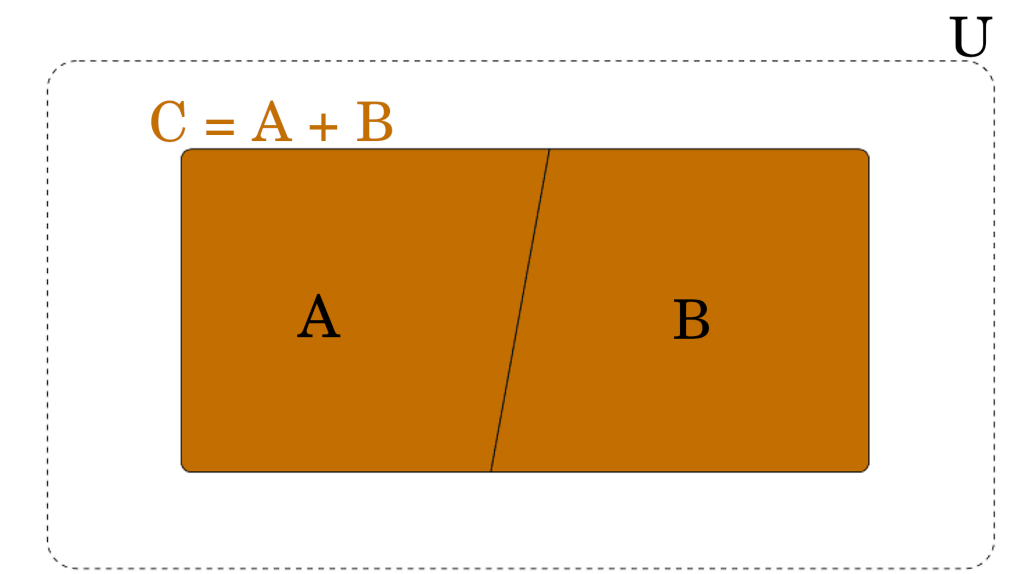
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Consequences:

1. One can always think of a mixed state as the trace out a subsystem in a large system (purification).
2. Two subsystems that partition a pure state are entangled IFF their reduced states are mixed.

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Concurrency



Take an entangled **pure** state between the two subsystems A and B. $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$

As a result, the states in A and B must be mixed and

$$\text{Tr} [\rho_A^2] \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Tr} [\rho_B^2] \leq 1$$

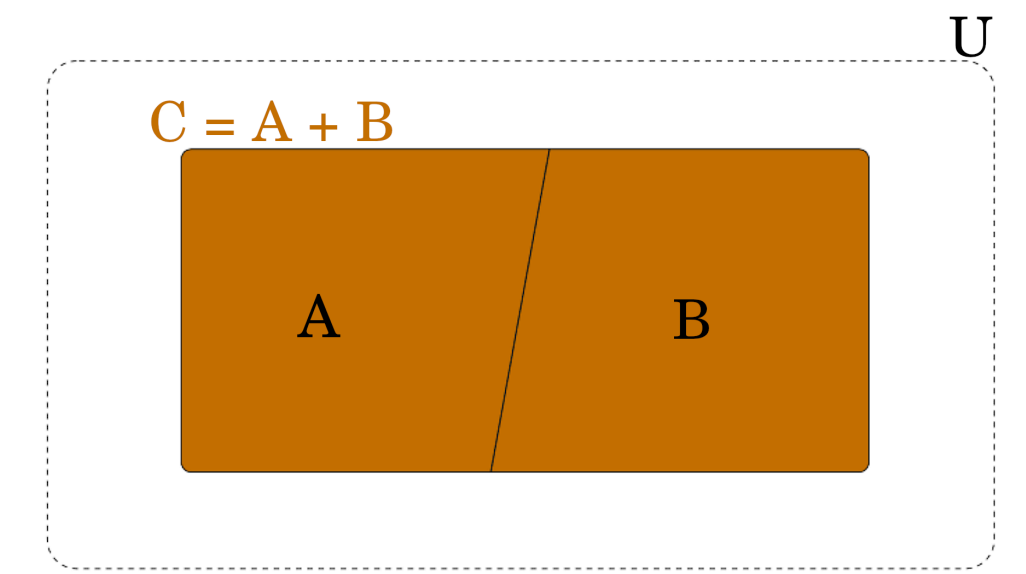
The concurrency $C_{A|B}$ is defined as

$$0 \leq C_{A|B}^2 = 2(1 - \text{Tr}[\rho_A^2]) = C_{B|A}^2 \leq 1 \quad C_{A|B}^2 = 2S_2(\rho_A) \quad \text{Tsallis-2 linear entropy}$$

For mixed states, things are in general more complicated.

Basics

Peres-Horodecki criterium



This is a necessary (and for two qubits sufficient) criterium for separability of a mixed state of two subsystems A and B. Consider a generic state:

$$\rho = \sum_{ijkl} p_{ij} p_{kl}^* |a_i\rangle \otimes |b_j\rangle \langle a_k| \otimes \langle b_l|$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$$

And the partial transpose on B

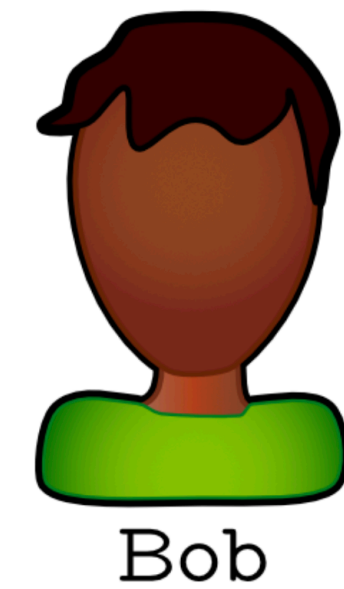
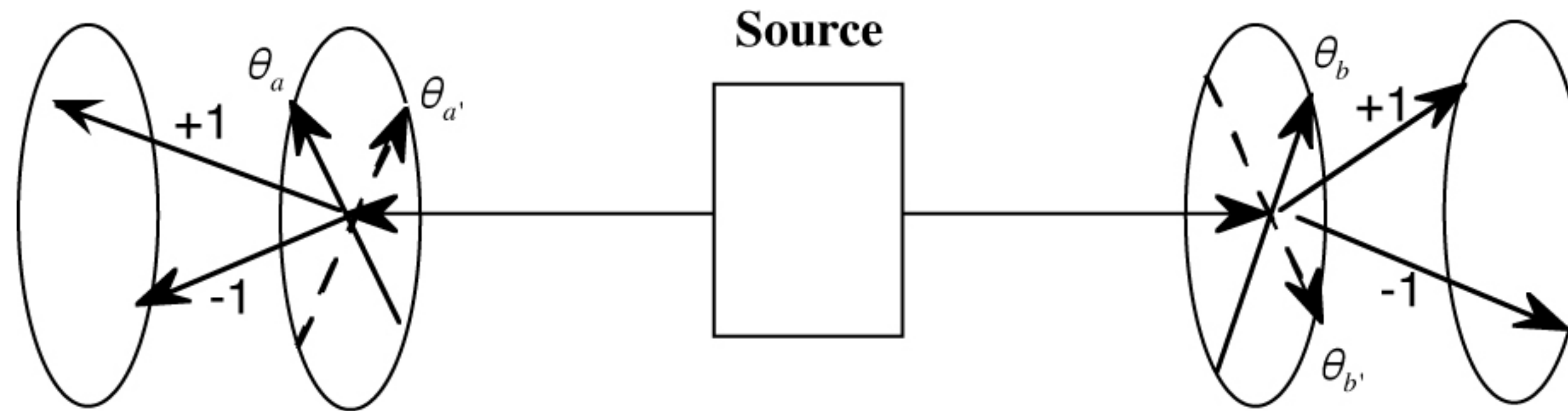
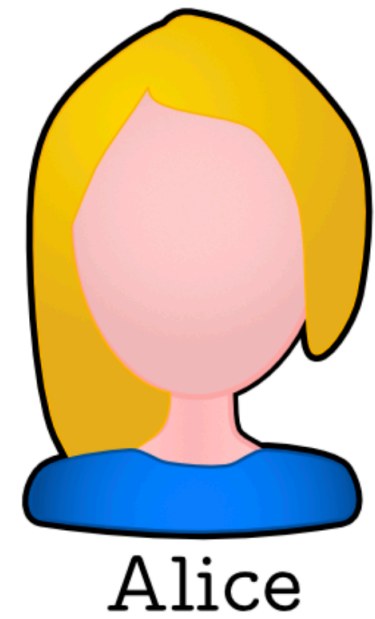
$$\rho^{T_B} = (I \otimes T)[\rho] = \sum_{ijkl} p_{ij} p_{kl}^* |a_i\rangle \langle a_k| \otimes (|b_j\rangle \langle b_l|)^T = \sum_{ijkl} p_{ij} p_{kl}^* |a_i\rangle \langle a_k| \otimes |b_l\rangle \langle b_j| = \sum_{ijkl} p_{il} p_{kj}^* |a_i\rangle \langle a_k| \otimes |b_j\rangle \langle b_l|$$

The criterion states that if ρ is separable then all the eigenvalues of are non-negative.

In other words, if ρ has a negative eigenvalue, is guaranteed to be entangled.

Basics

Bell (Clauser, Horne, Shimony, and Holt) inequalities



$$A = \pm 1$$

$$A' = \pm 1$$

Assuming:

- 1] Measurements reveal element of reality, physical properties present beforehand.
- 2] Alice and Bob are separated by a space-like distance

Then:

$$E(AB) + E(AB') + E(A'B) - E(A'B') \leq 2$$

$$B = \pm 1$$

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Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} & E(AB) + E(AB') + E(A'B) - E(A'B') \\ &= E(AB + A'B + A'B - A'B') \\ &= E(A(B + B') + A'(B - B')) \end{aligned}$$

Now $B + B' = 0 \Rightarrow B - B' = \pm 2$ and viceversa. So

$$AB + A'B + A'B - A'B' = \pm 2$$

So for the expectation value

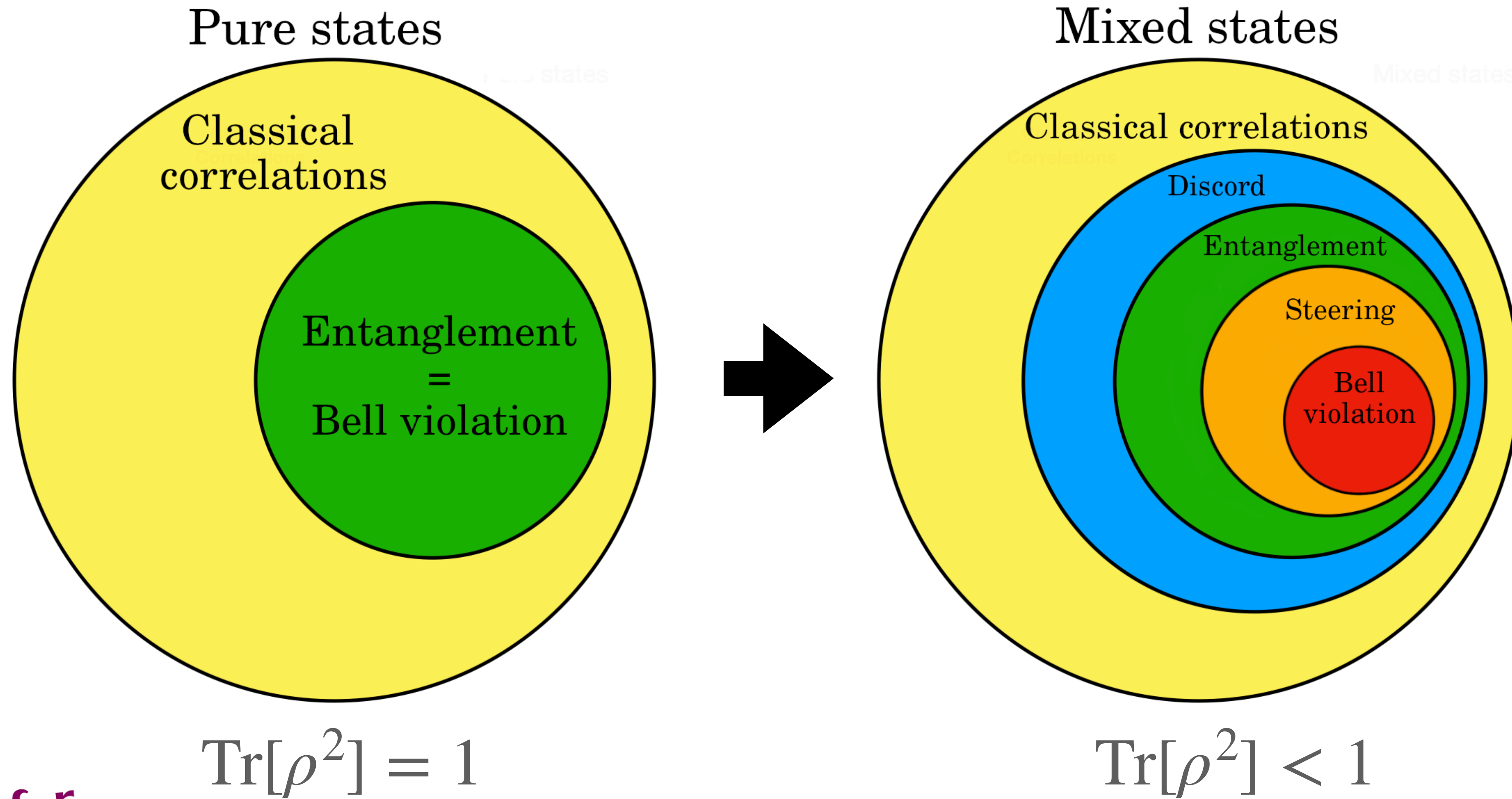
$$E(AB) + E(AB') + E(A'B) - E(A'B') = \sum_{a,a',b,b'} p(a, a', b, b')(ab + ab' + a'b - a'b') \leq 2$$

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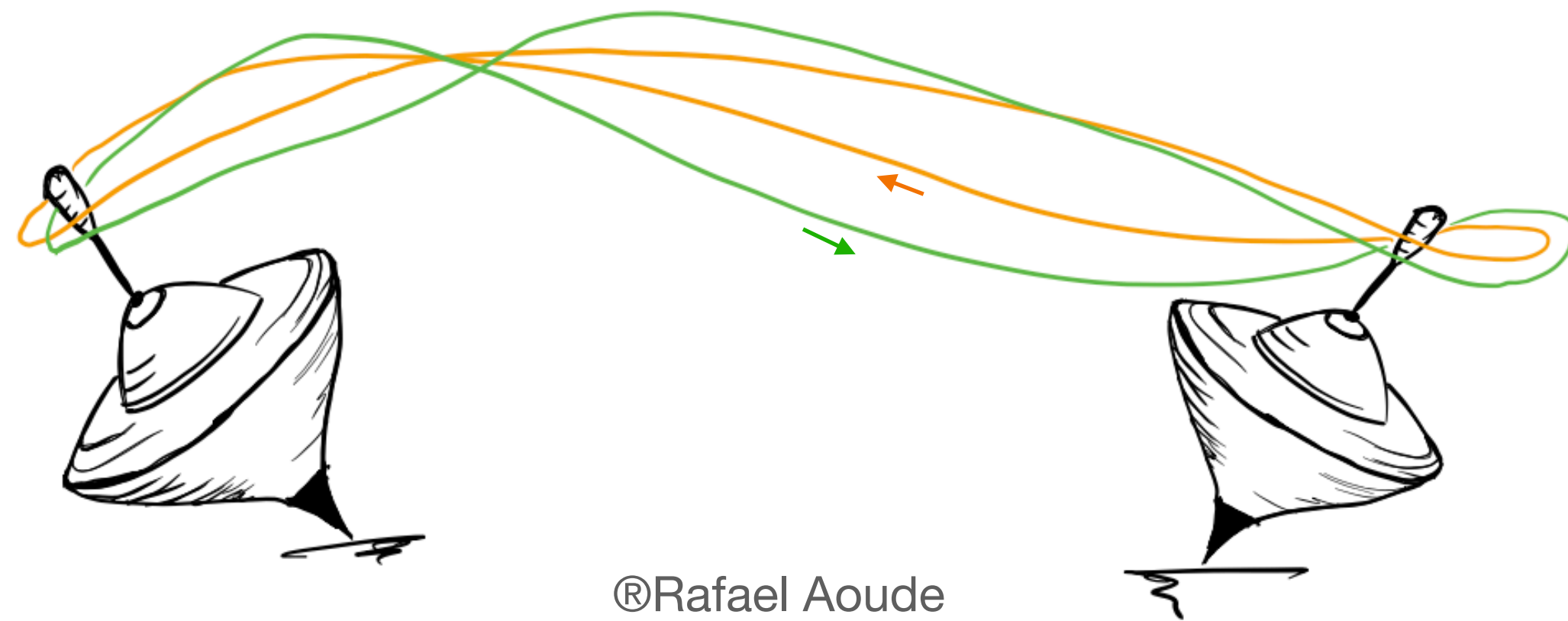
- i) Bell inequalities have nothing to do with quantum mechanics.
- ii) In the last 40 years experiments have proven them over larger and larger distances.
- iii) Discussions on possible loopholes have heated and continue to keep the community of experts busy.

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Grading quantum correlations



Quantum tops @ LHC



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Many other papers on $(H \rightarrow) WW, ZZ, ZW, \tau^+ \tau^-, tW, \dots$

Why looking at tops?

- **LHC:** a top factory.

- **Top decay:** The decay occurs in two steps, $t \rightarrow Wb$ is the first one:

$$\tau_{\text{had}} \approx h/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \approx 2 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ s}$$

$$\tau_{\text{top}} \approx h/\Gamma_{\text{top}} = 1/(GF m_t^3 |V_{tb}|^2/8\pi\sqrt{2}) \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-25} \text{ s (with } h=6.6 \cdot 10^{-25} \text{ GeV s)}$$

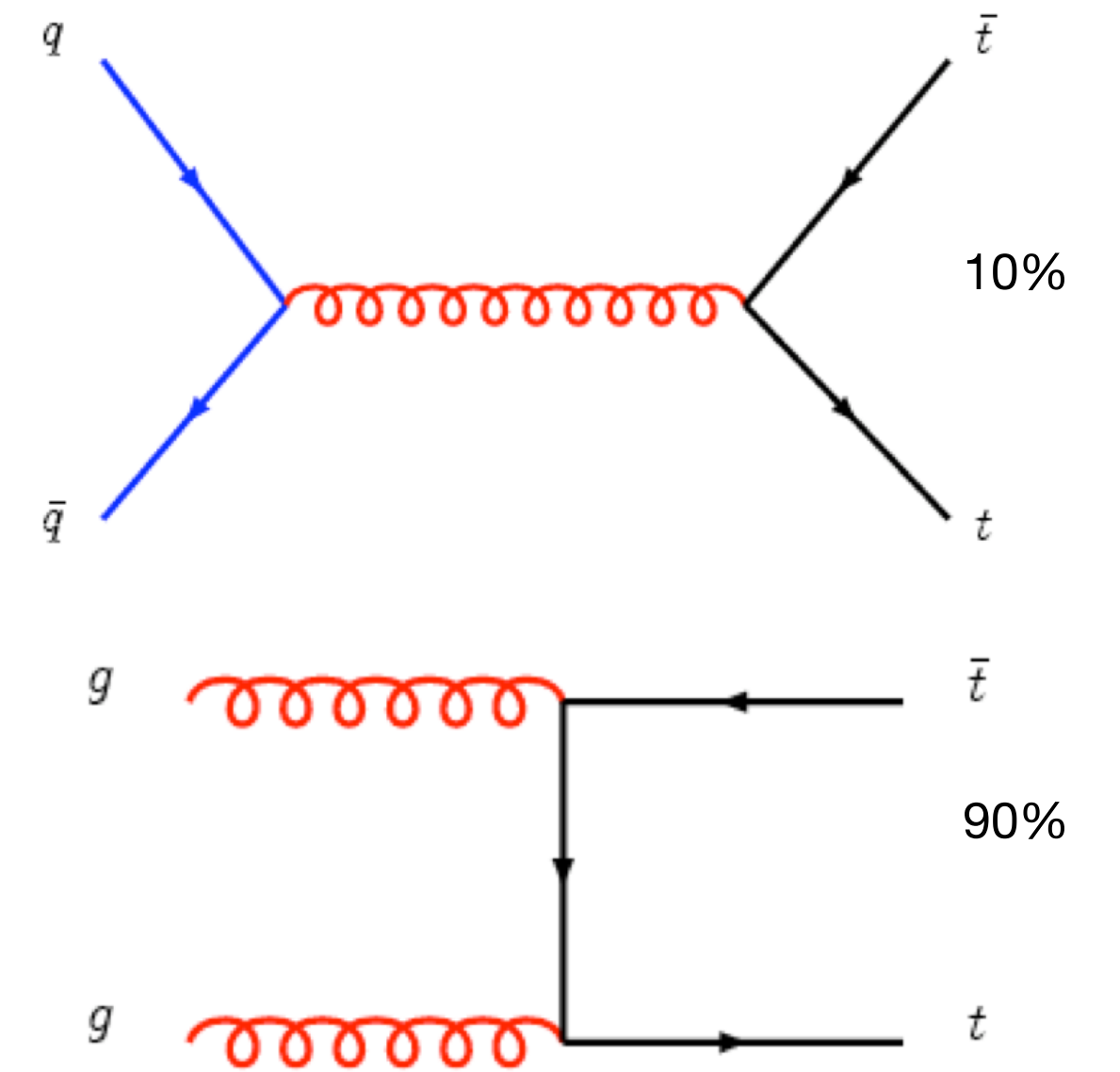
$$\tau_{\text{spin-flip}} \approx \left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{m_t} \right)^{-1} \gg \tau_{\text{had}}$$

- Due to the structure of weak interactions, it “magically” turns out that the direction of the lepton is 100% correlated with that of the spin of the top.

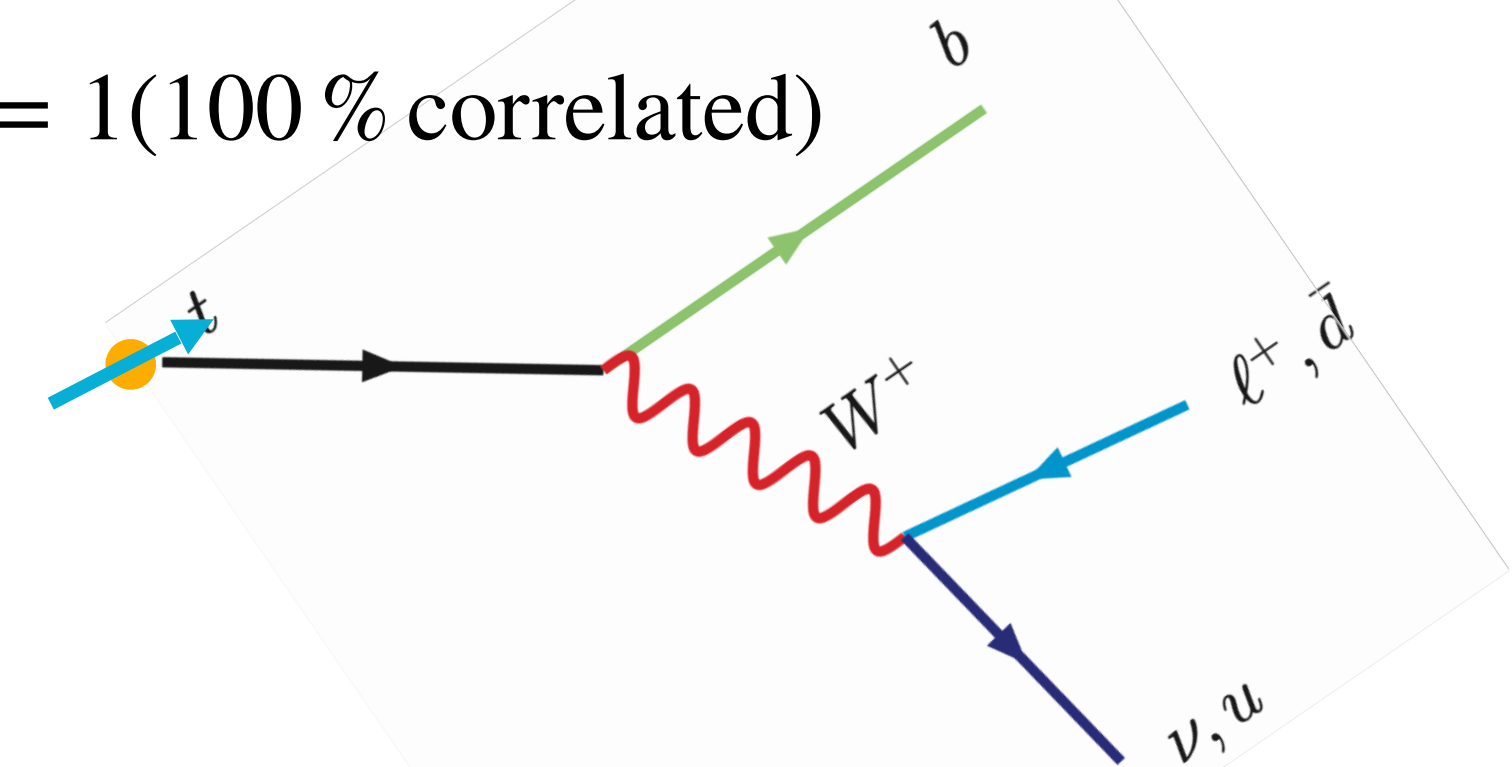
$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\varphi} = \frac{1 + \alpha \cos\varphi}{2}$$

$$\alpha_d = 1, \alpha_u = -0.3, \alpha_b = -0.4, \alpha_W = 0.4$$

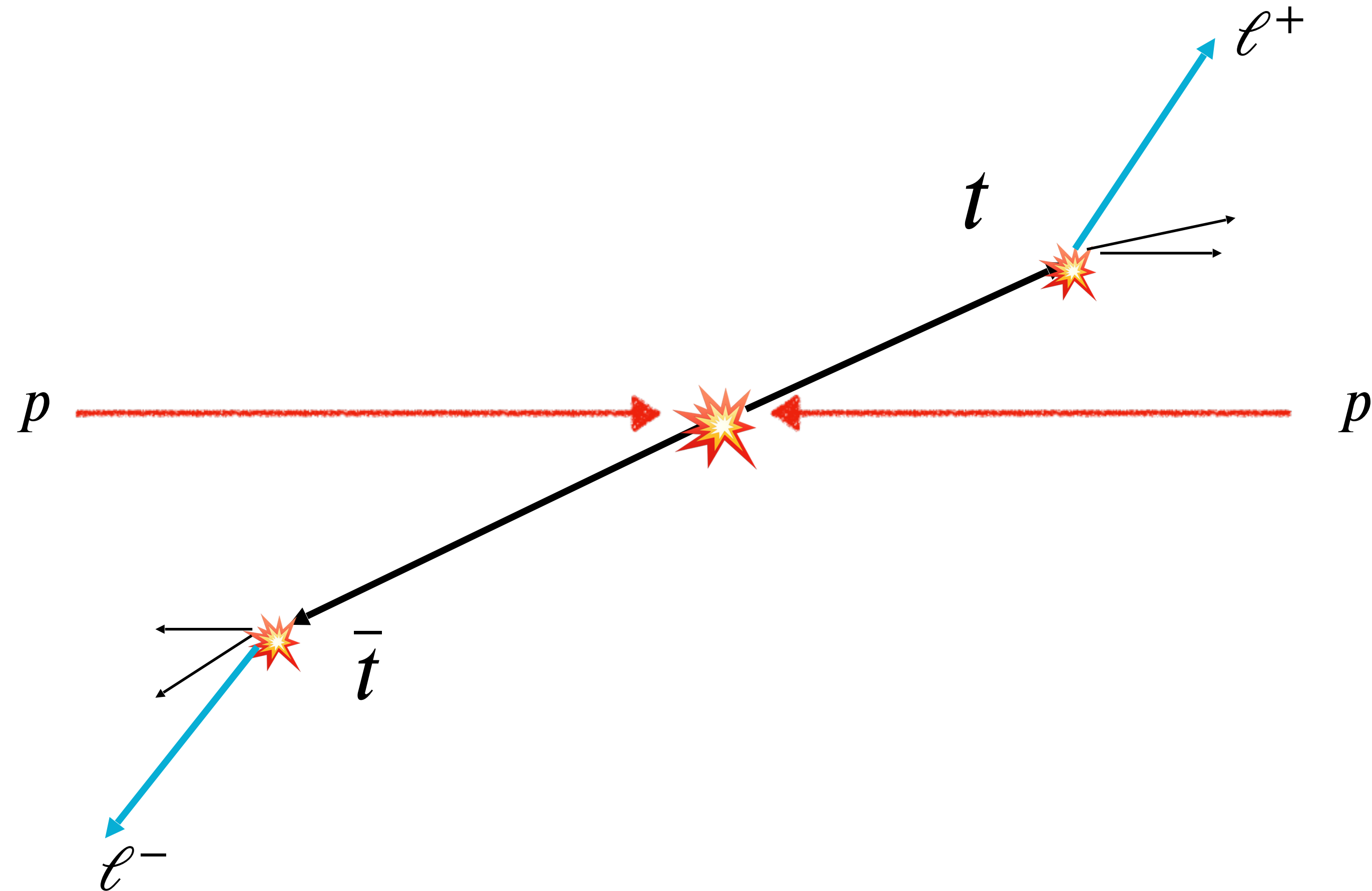
⇒ **The charged lepton is the best proxy for the spin**



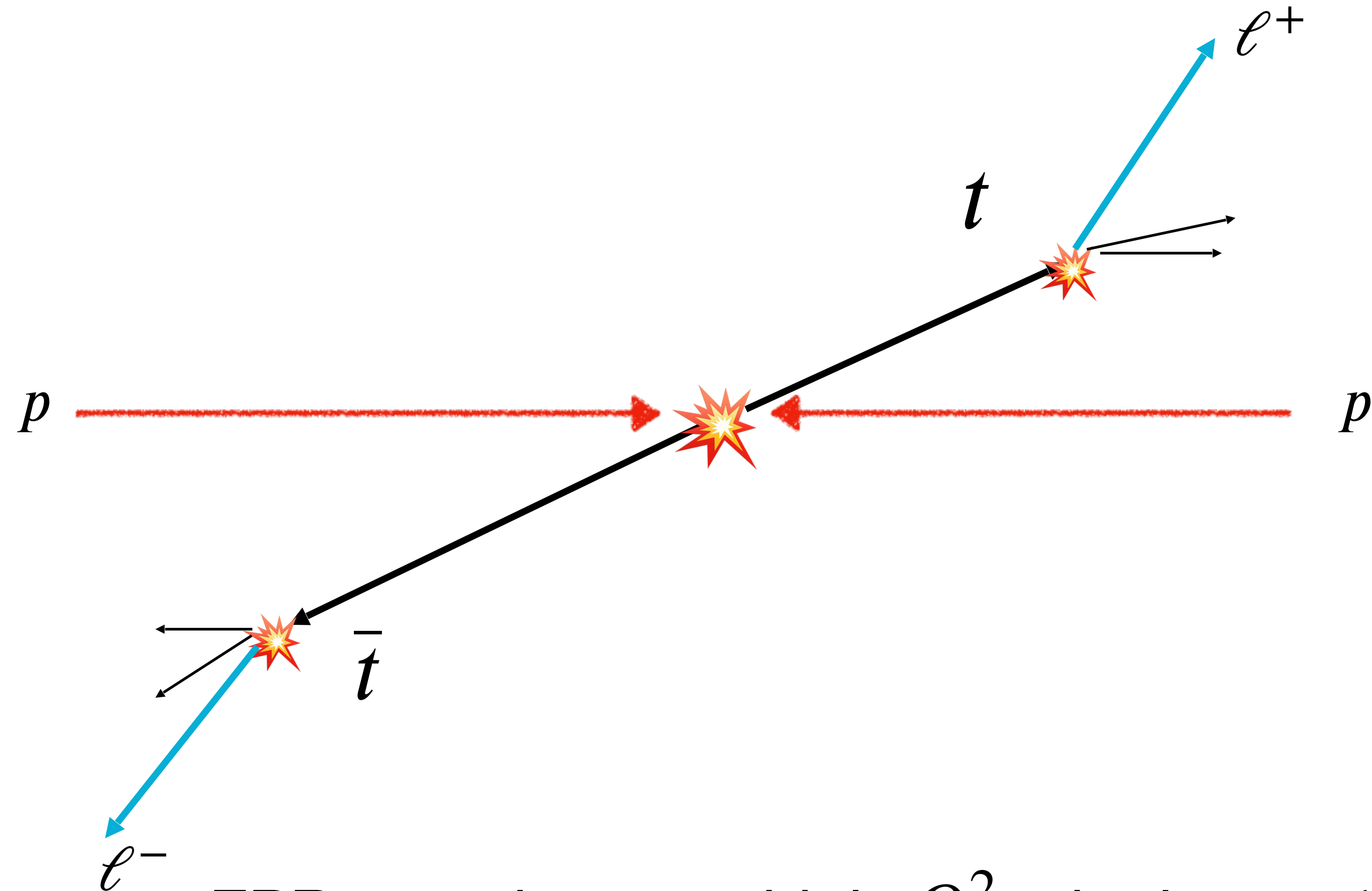
$\alpha_\ell = 1$ (100% correlated)



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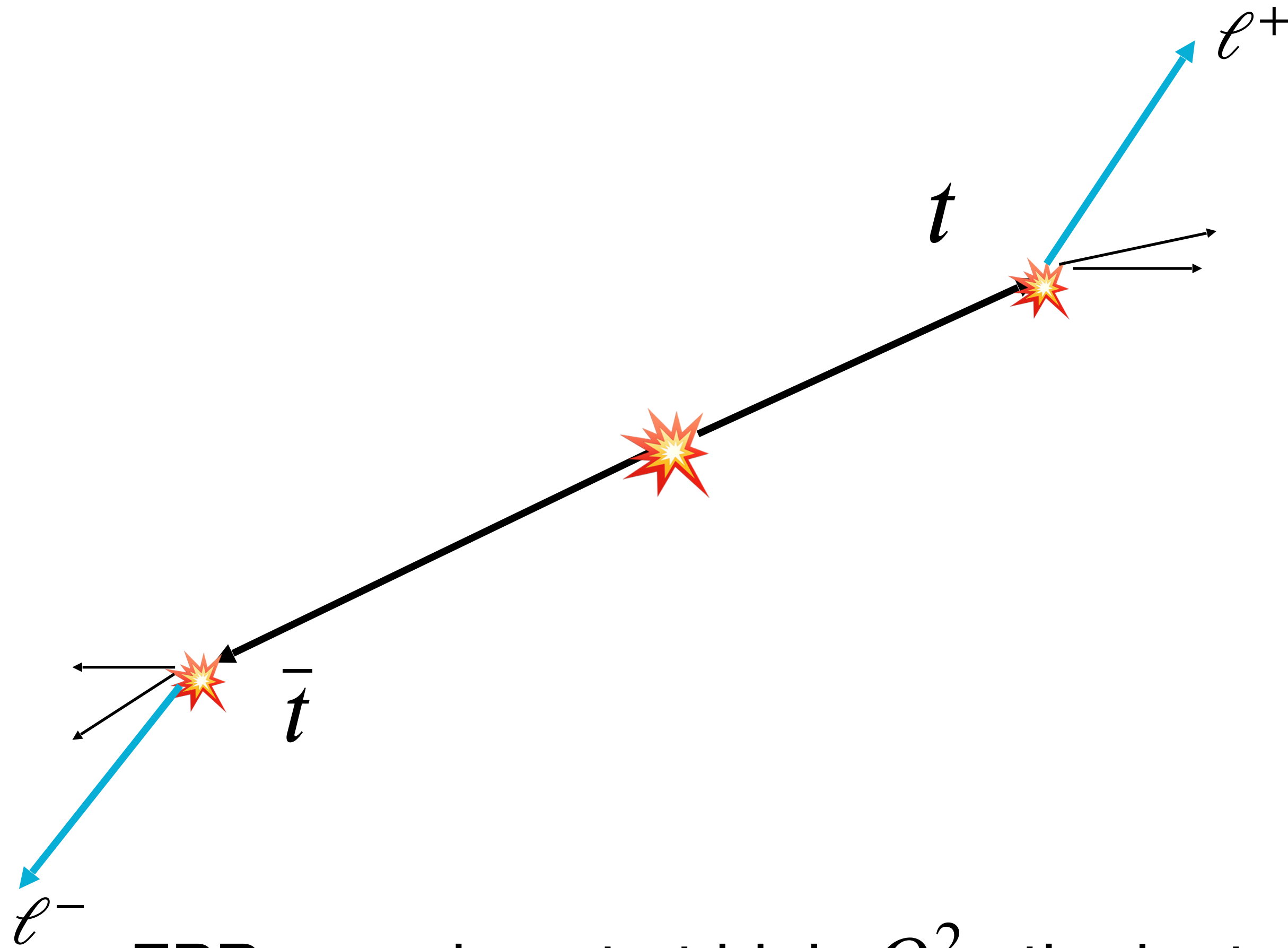


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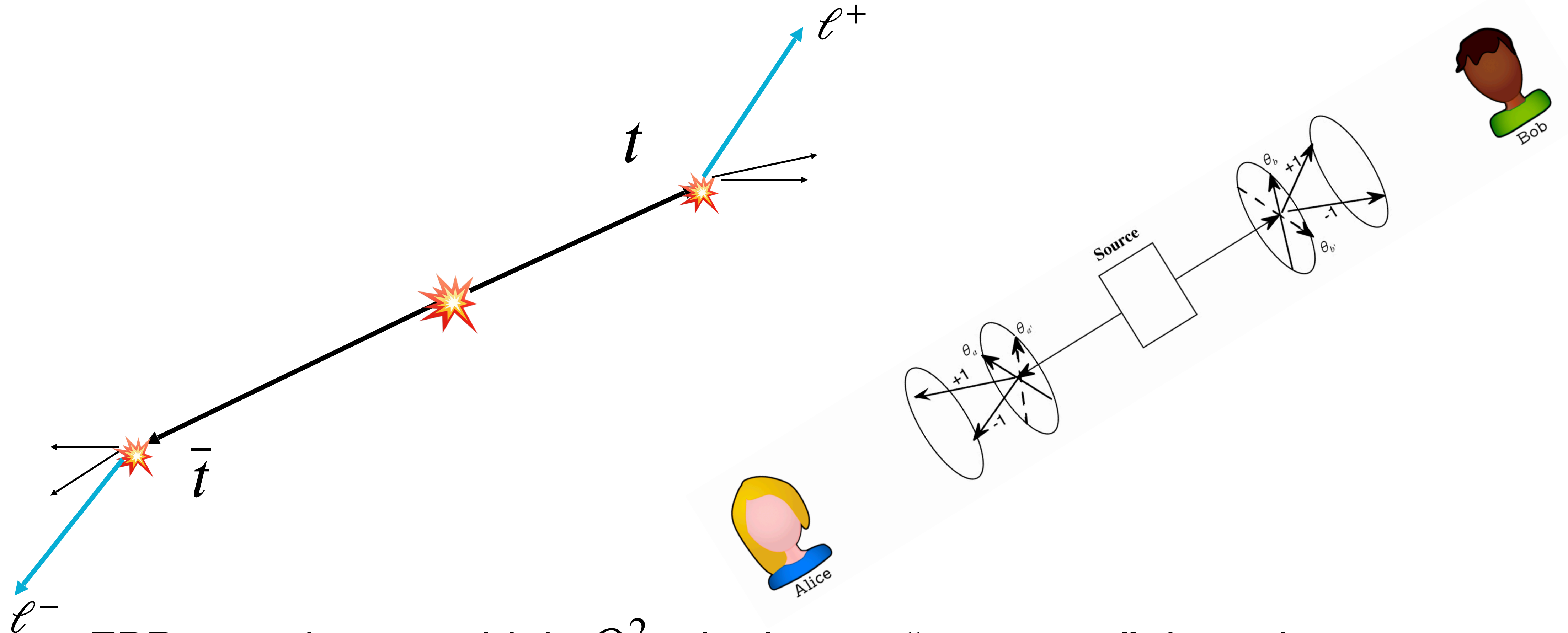
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“The devil is in the details” : $t\bar{t}$ pair is not in a pure state.

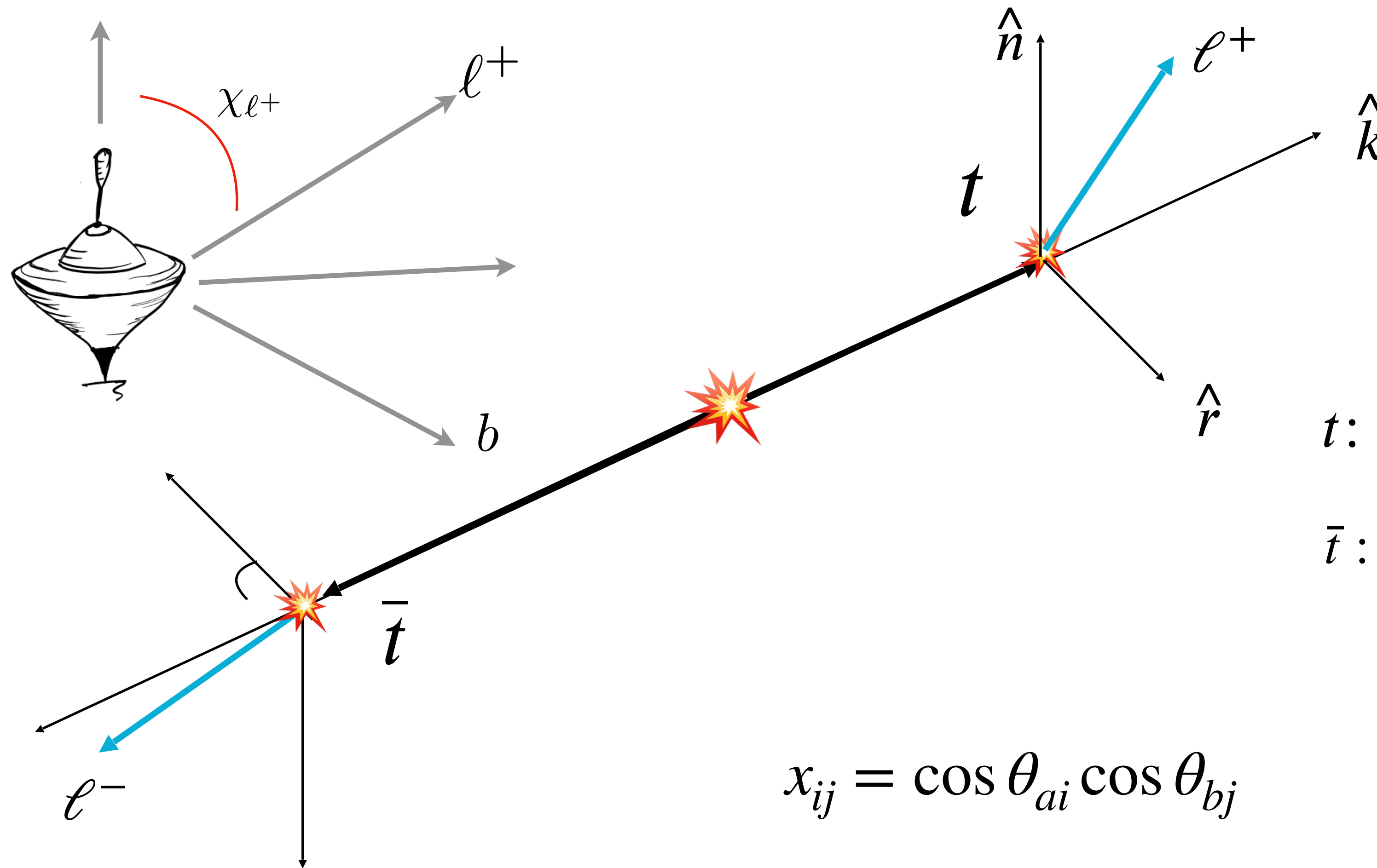
- The qubit-qubit system is described by the following density matrix

$$\rho = \frac{1}{4} (\mathbf{1} \otimes \mathbf{1} + \mathcal{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \otimes \mathbf{1} + \bar{\mathcal{B}} \cdot \mathbf{1} \otimes \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathcal{C} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \otimes \boldsymbol{\sigma})$$

which, for $t\bar{t}$ can be approximated by $B_1 = B_2 = 0$, and C is symmetric (CP conservation) and almost diagonal in the helicity basis.

$$\langle S_i \rangle = B_i, \quad \langle \bar{S}_i \rangle = \bar{B}_i, \quad \langle S_i \bar{S}_j \rangle = C_{ij}$$

Kinematics



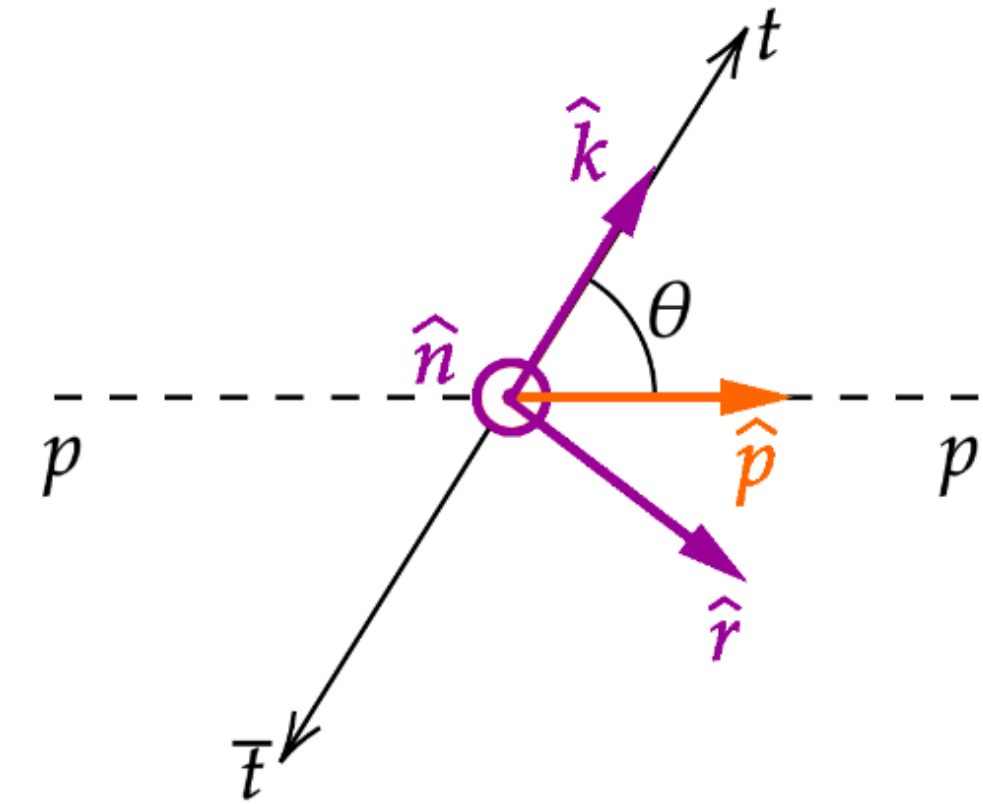
$$t: \hat{k} = \text{top direction}, \hat{r} = \frac{\hat{p} - \hat{k} \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}, \hat{n} = \frac{\hat{p} \times \hat{k}}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\bar{t}: \{-\hat{k}, -\hat{r}, -\hat{n}\}$$

$$x_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ai} \cos \theta_{bj}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dx_{ij}} = \frac{C_{ij} x_{ij} - 1}{2} \log |x_{ij}|$$

Quantum tops



$$\hat{k} = \text{top direction}, \quad \hat{r} = \frac{\hat{p} - \hat{k} \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}, \quad \hat{n} = \frac{\hat{p} \times \hat{k}}{\sin \theta}$$

We can write four sufficient conditions for entanglement:

$$-C_{kk} - C_{rr} - C_{nn} \equiv -3D^{(1)} > 1$$

$$-C_{kk} + C_{rr} + C_{nn} \equiv -3D^{(k)} > 1$$

$$+C_{kk} + C_{rr} - C_{nn} \equiv -3D^{(n)} > 1$$

$$+C_{kk} - C_{rr} + C_{nn} \equiv -3D^{(r)} > 1$$

$$D < -1/3 \quad \Rightarrow \text{Entanglement}$$

$$C^{(\text{singlet})} = \begin{pmatrix} -\eta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\eta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\eta \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \eta \leq 1$$

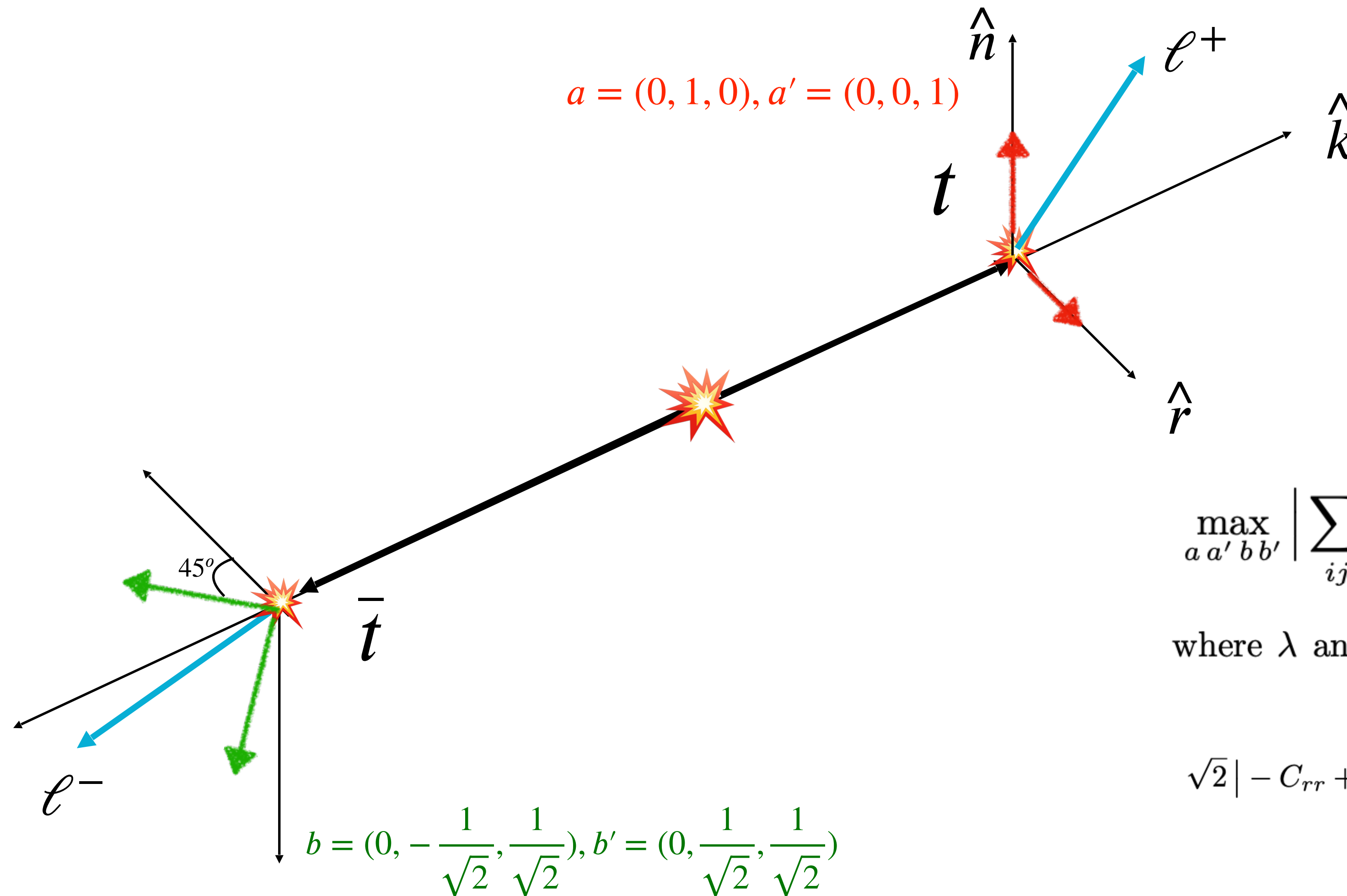
$$C^{(\text{triplet})} = \begin{pmatrix} \eta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \eta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\eta \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < \eta \leq 1$$

Where $D = -\eta$ and in the limiting case of $\eta = 1$ we have the four Bell states:

$$|\Phi^\pm\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \pm |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle),$$

$$|\Psi^\pm\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \pm |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle).$$

Kinematics



$$\max_{a a' b b'} \left| \sum_{ij} C_{ij} (a_i b_j - a_i b'_j + a'_i b_j + a'_i b'_j) \right| = 2\sqrt{\lambda + \lambda'}$$

where λ and λ' are the two largest eigenvalues of $C^T C$.

$$\sqrt{2} | -C_{rr} + C_{nn} | \leq 2 \quad \Rightarrow \text{Bell condition (with axis choice)}$$

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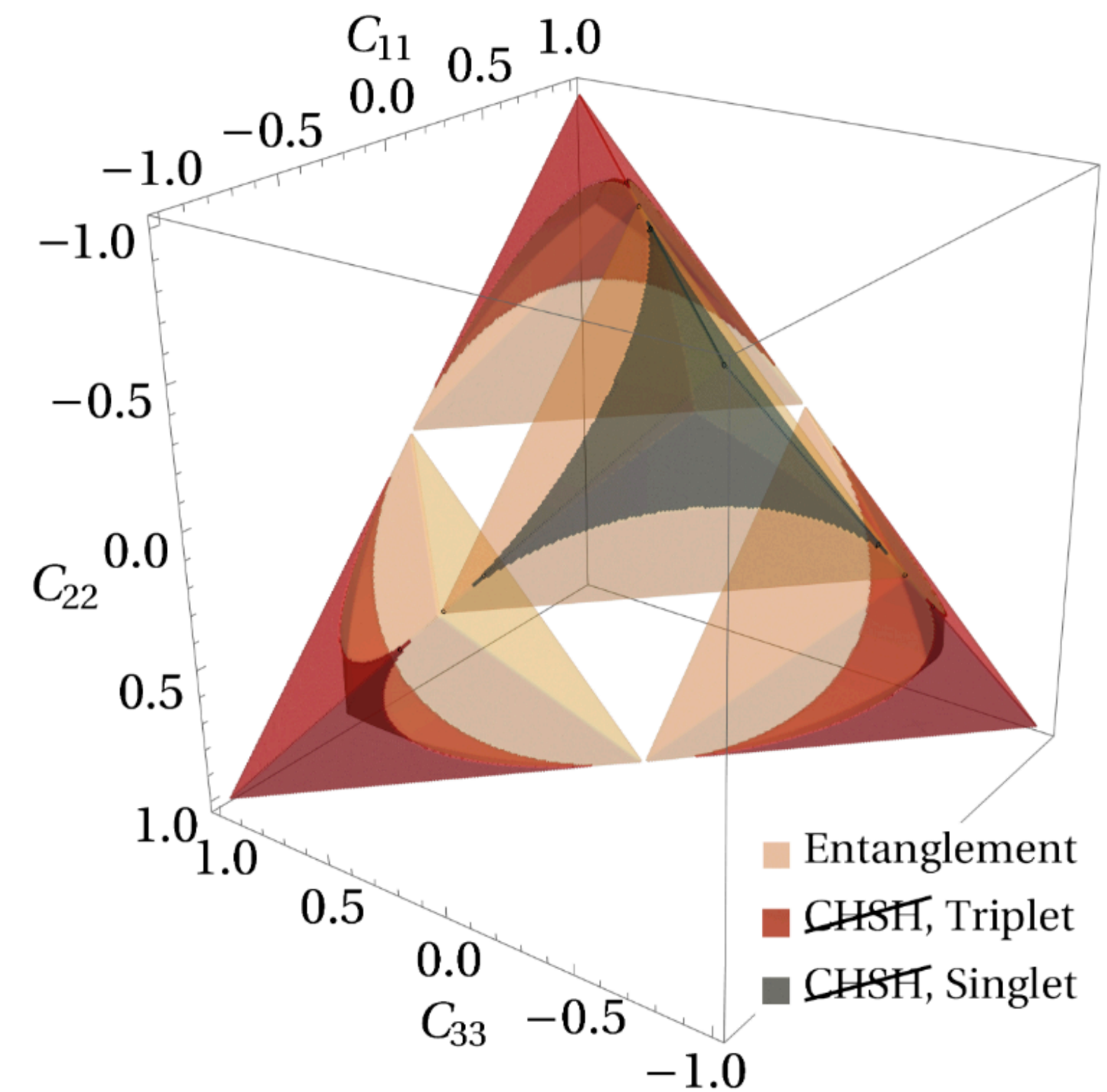
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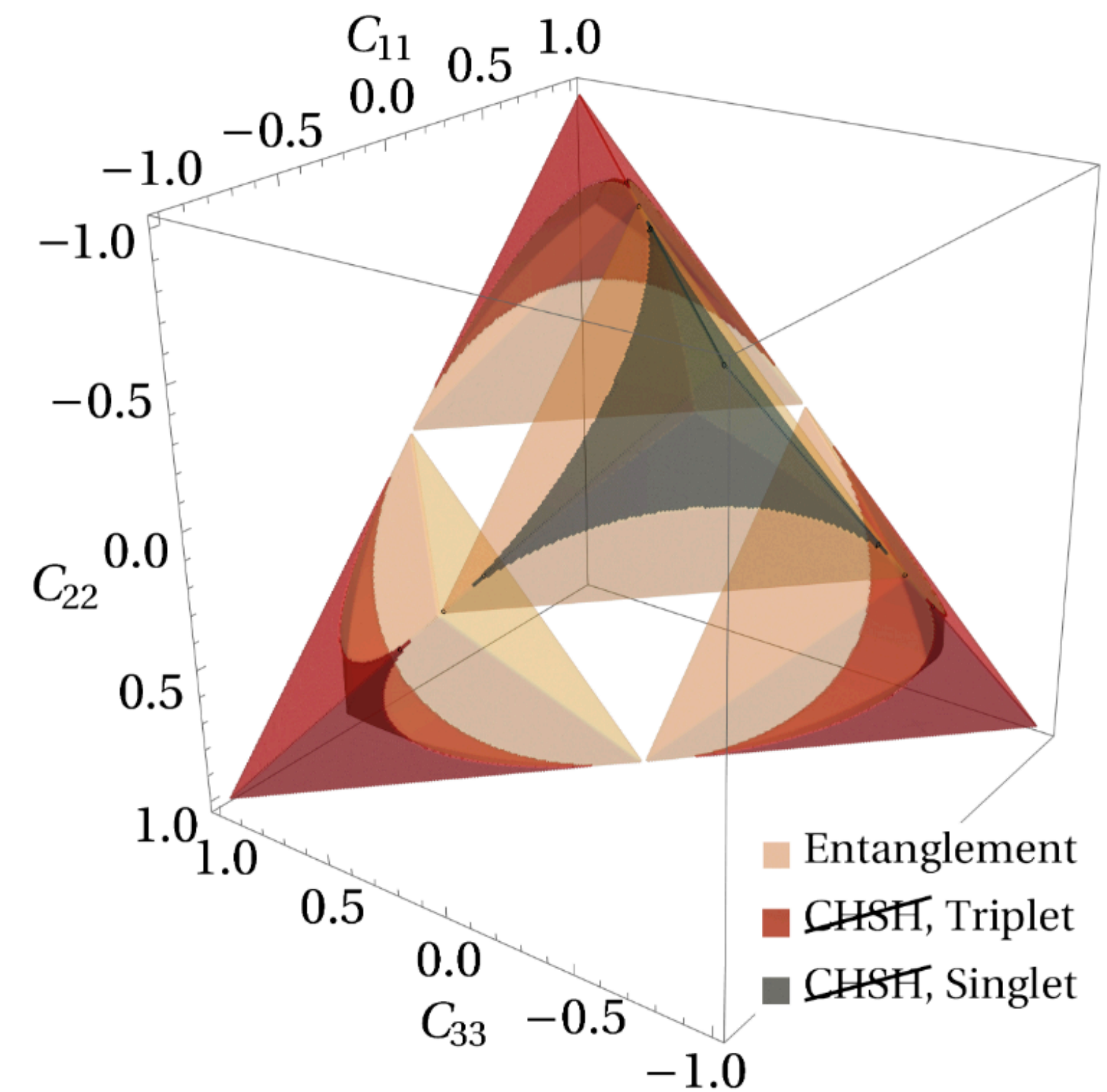
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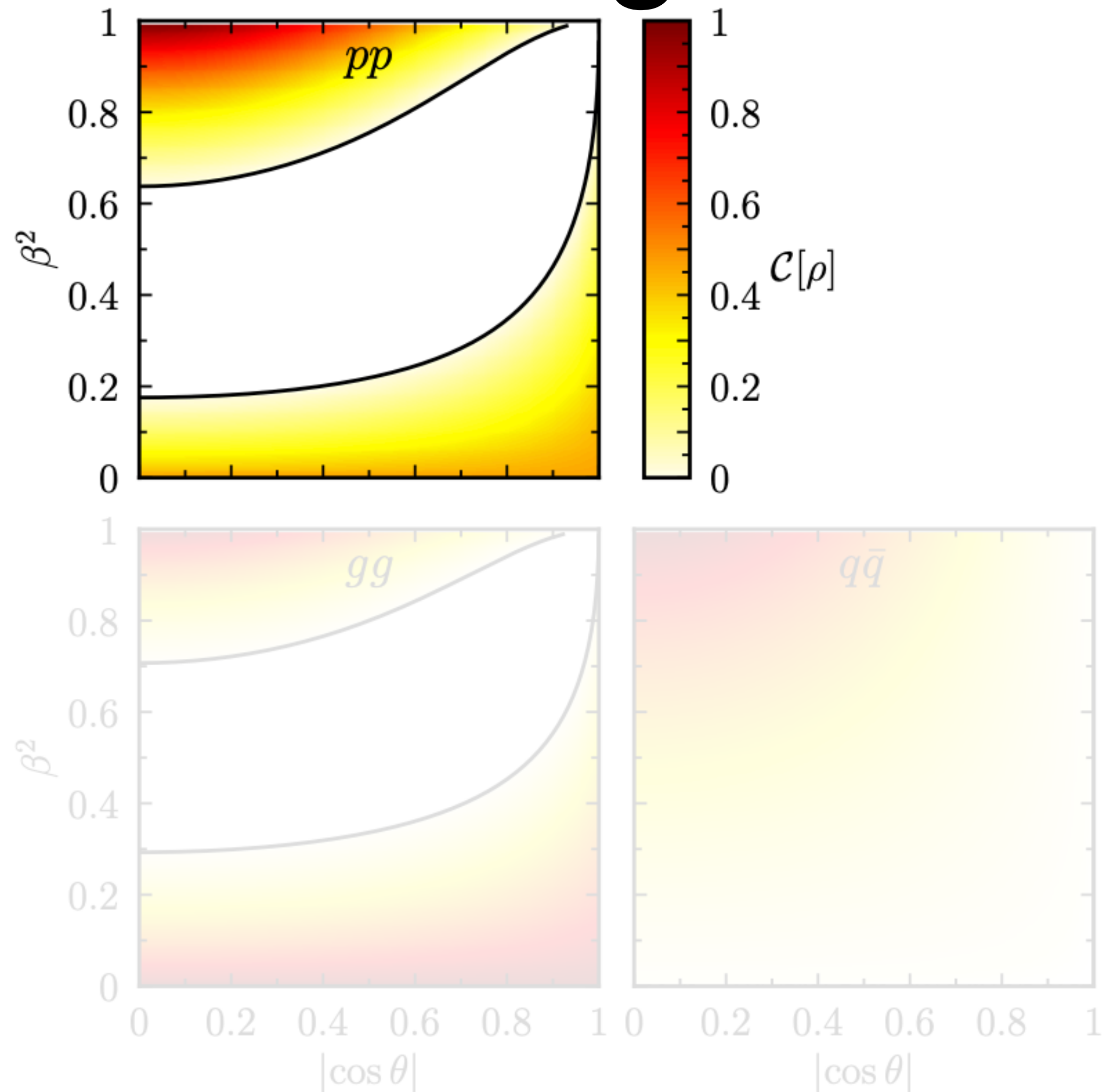
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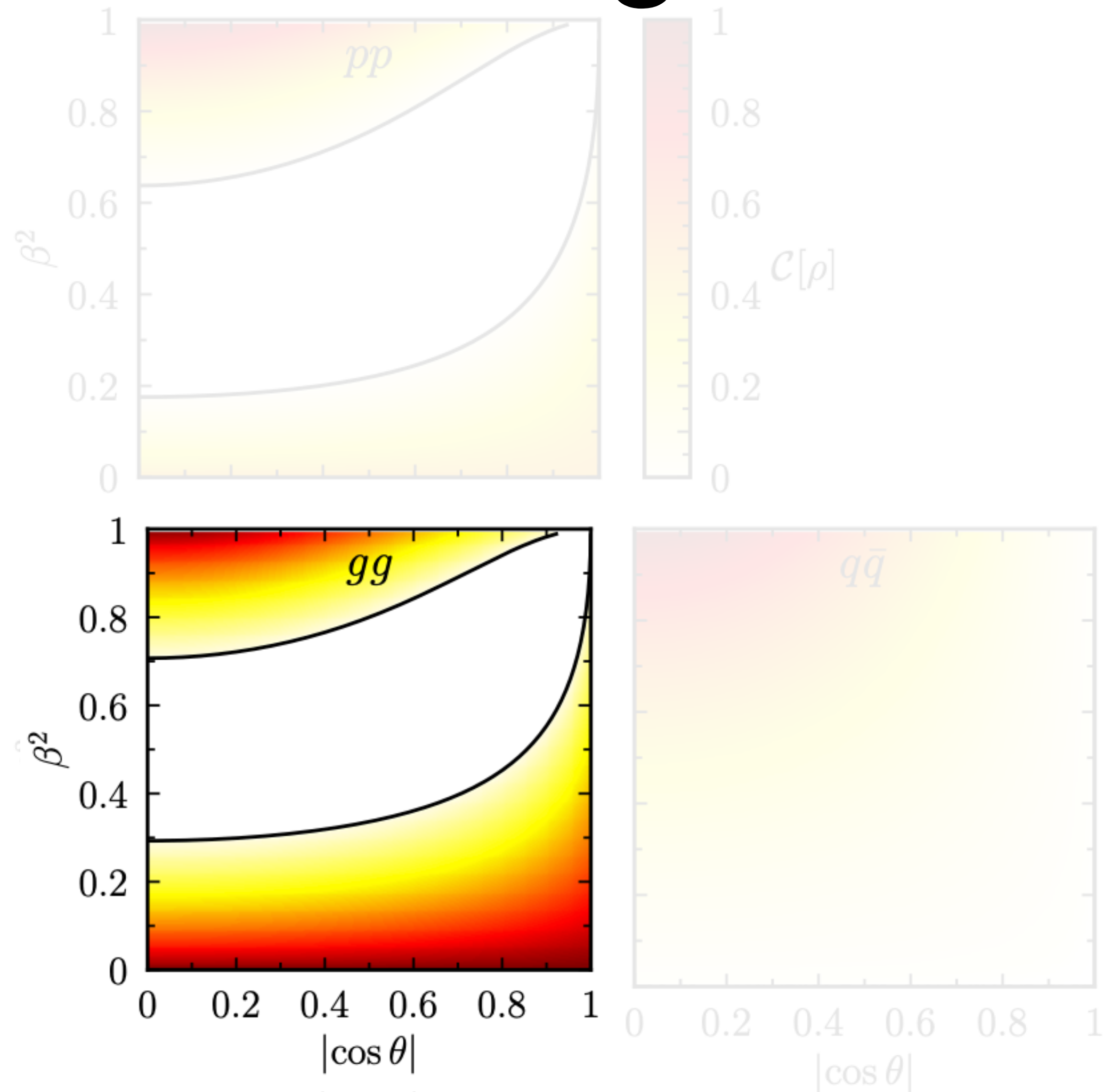
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White regions: zero-entanglement

Maximal entanglement points/regions:

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SM Entanglement



gg

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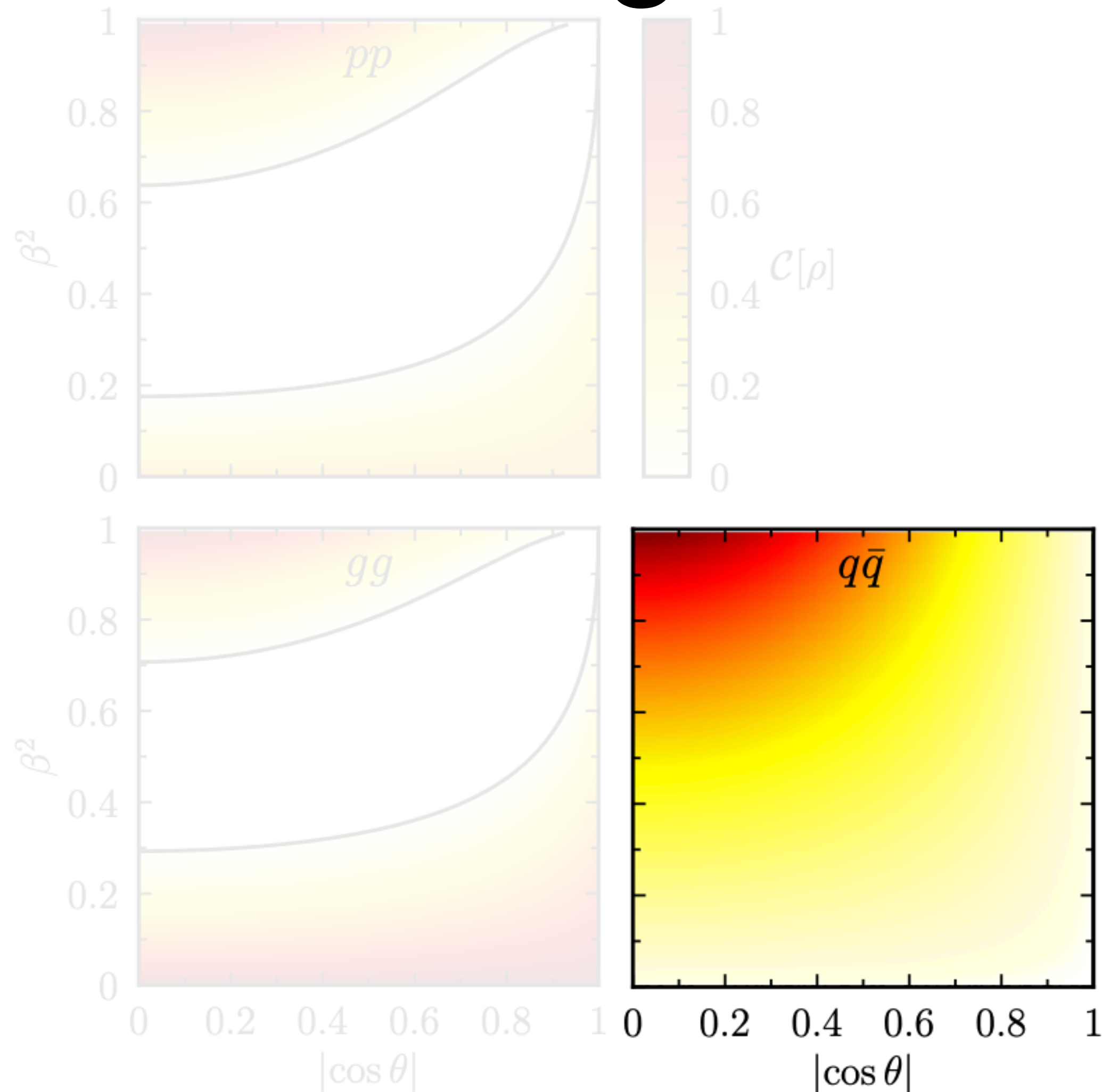
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$$\rho_{gg}^{\text{SM}}(0, z) = |\Psi^-\rangle_n \langle \Psi^-|_n \quad (\text{singlet})$$

- High-E: $\beta^2 \rightarrow 1, \cos \theta = 0$

$$\rho_{gg}^{\text{SM}}(1, 0) = |\Psi^+\rangle_n \langle \Psi^+|_n \quad (\text{triplet})$$

SM Entanglement



$q\bar{q}$

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mixed but separable
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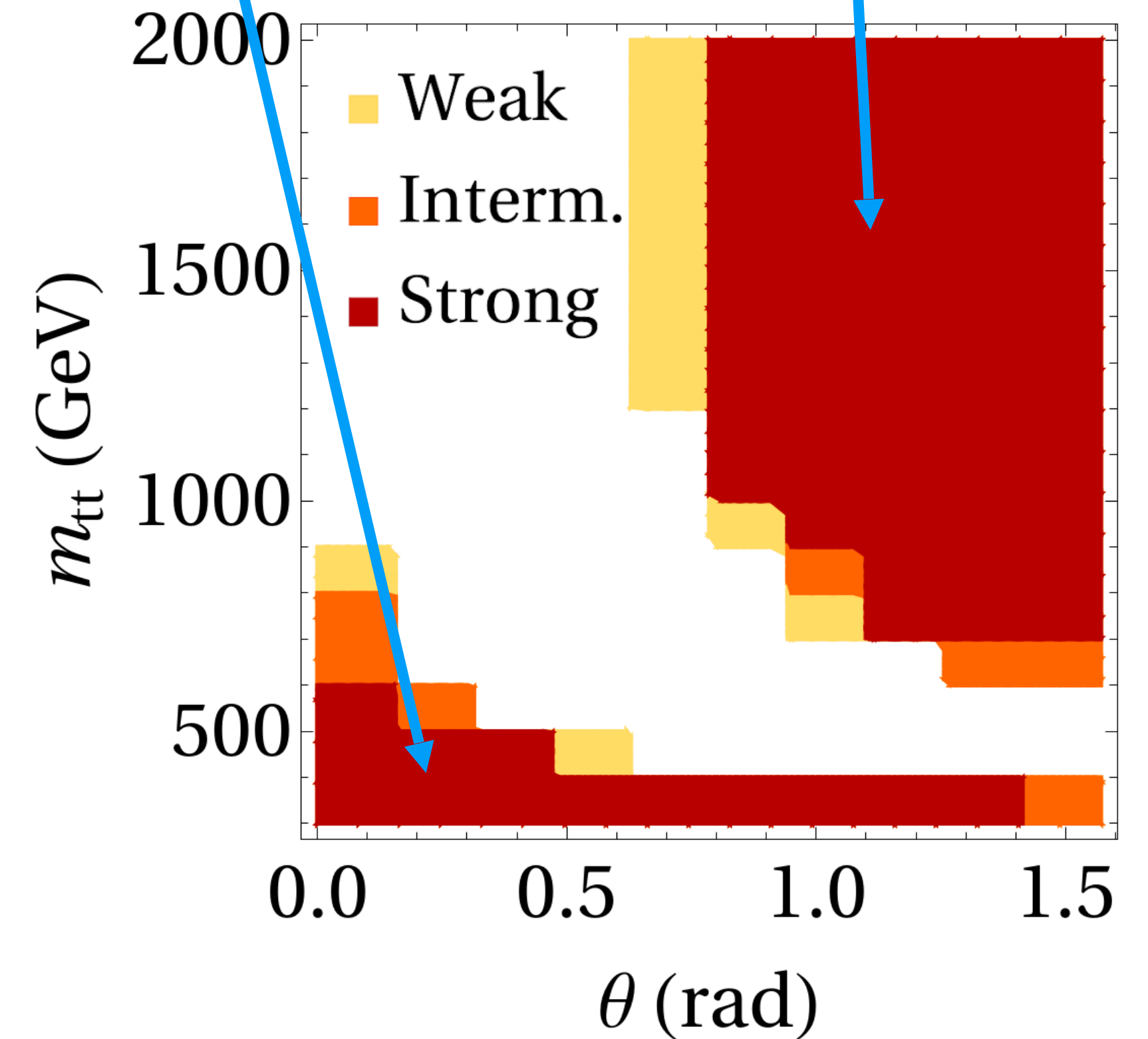
SM Entanglement

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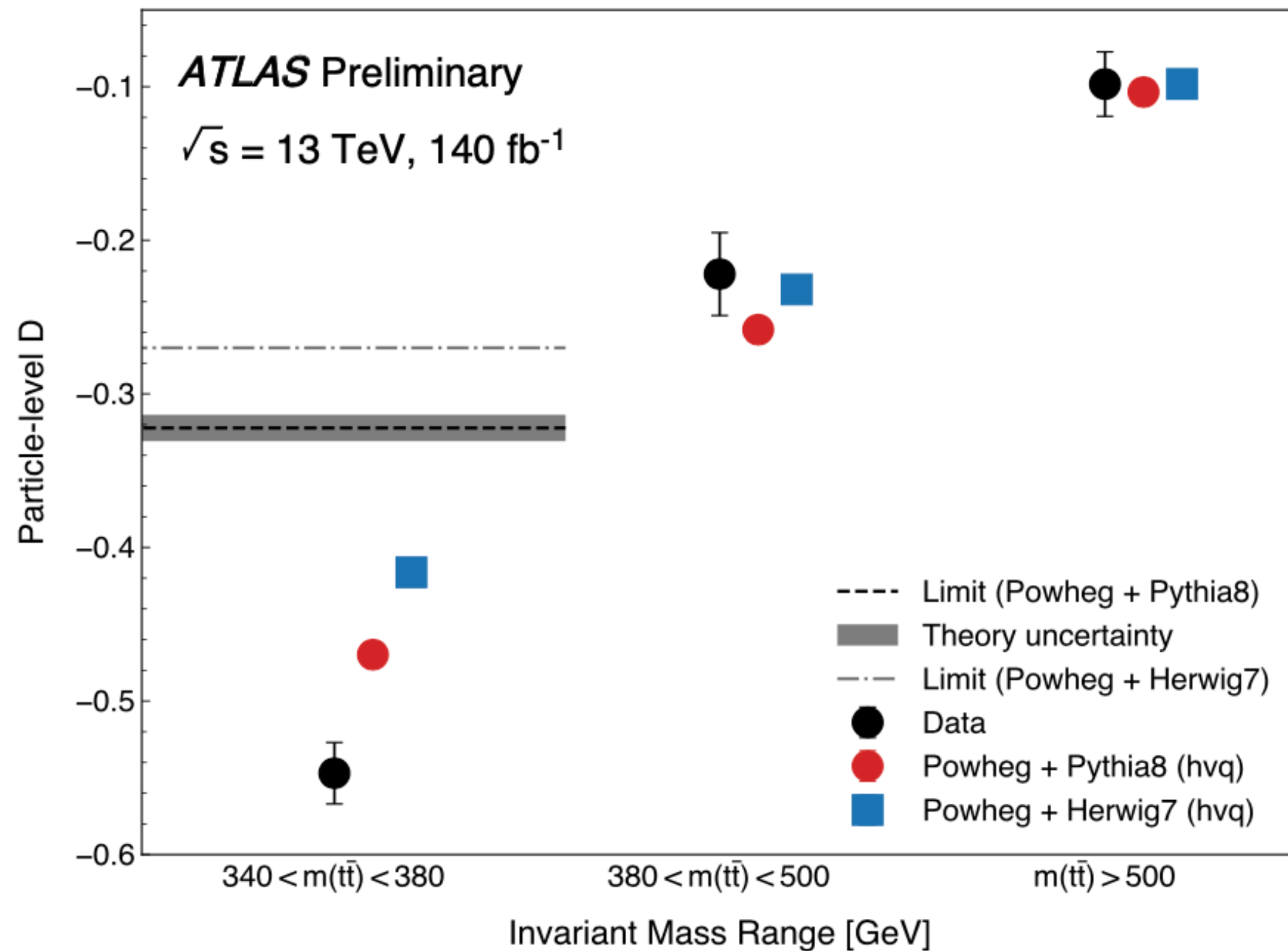
Region	Selection	Cross section	$ C_{kk} + C_{rr} - C_{nn}$	
			Reconstructed	Significance for > 1
Threshold	Weak	14 pb	1.31 ± 0.02	$\gg 5\sigma$
	Intermediate	12 pb	1.34 ± 0.02	$\gg 5\sigma$
	Strong	10 pb	1.38 ± 0.02	$\gg 5\sigma$
High- p_T	Weak	1.9 pb	1.32 ± 0.07	5σ
	Intermediate	1.5 pb	1.36 ± 0.08	4σ
	Strong	1.0 pb	1.42 ± 0.13	3σ

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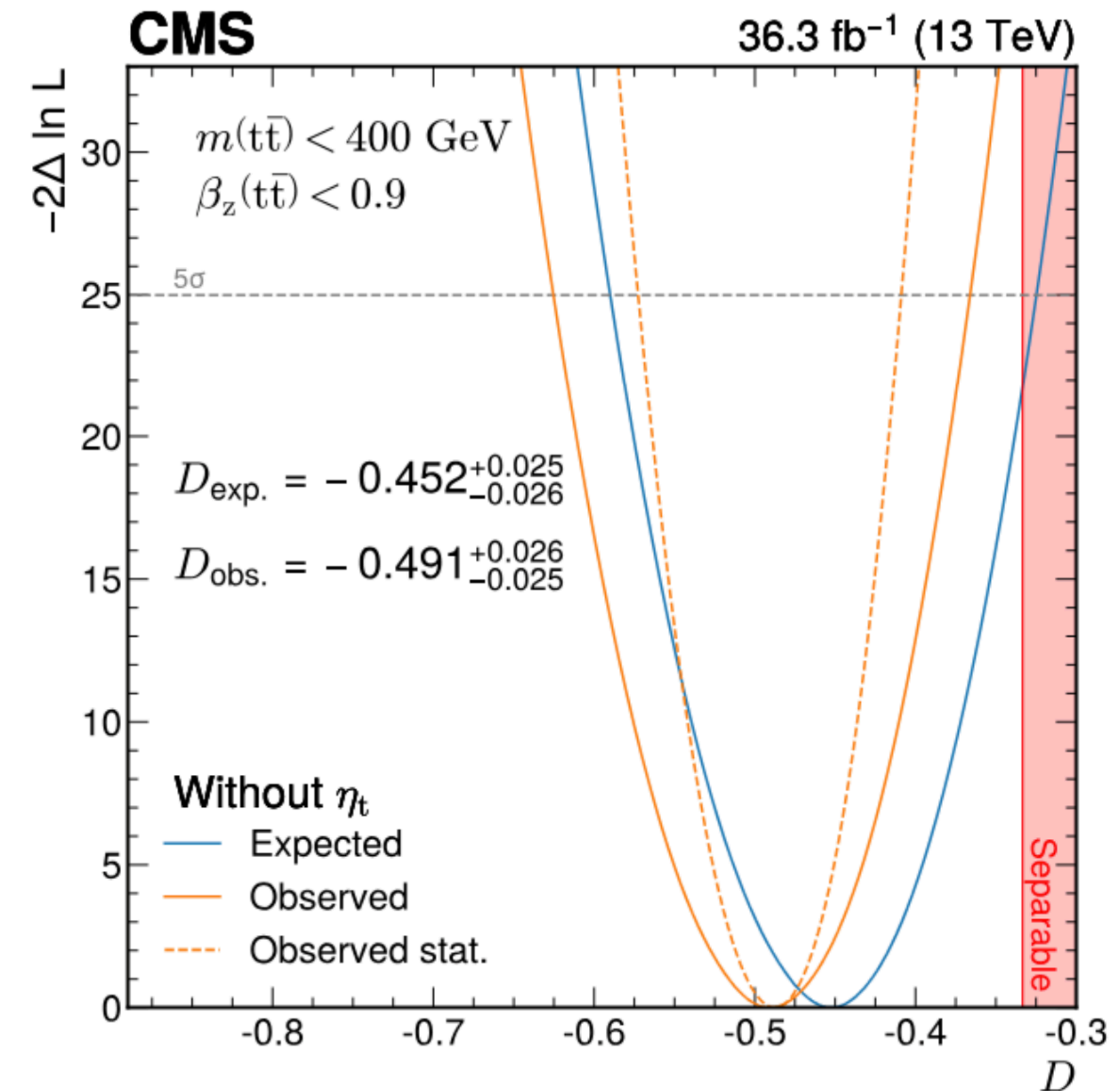
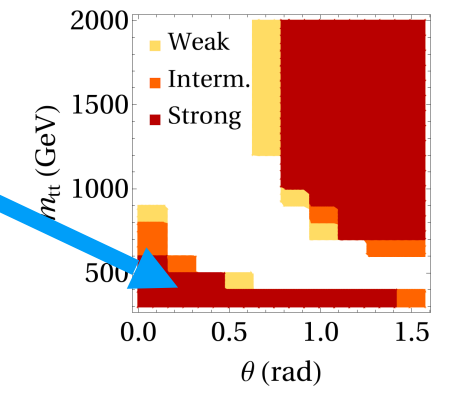
Entanglement “easily” observable at the LHC!

First measurements Dilepton channel at threshold



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Entanglement observation by ATLAS

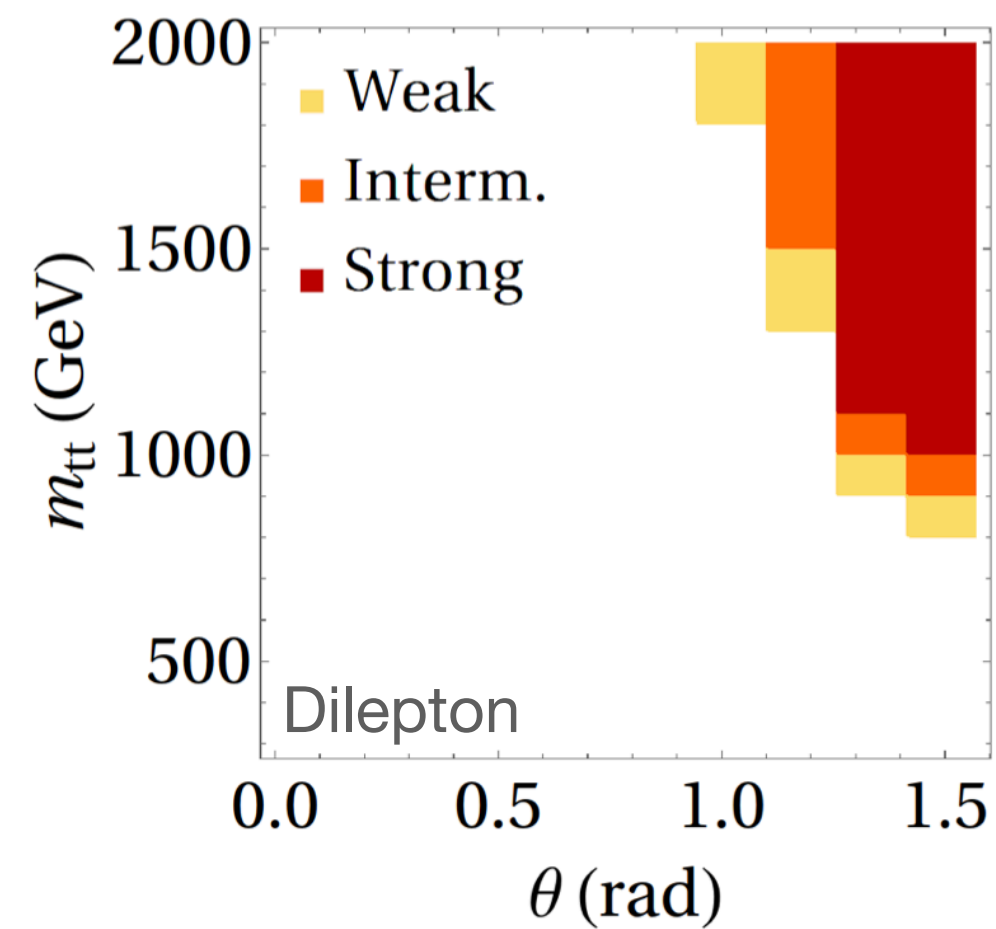


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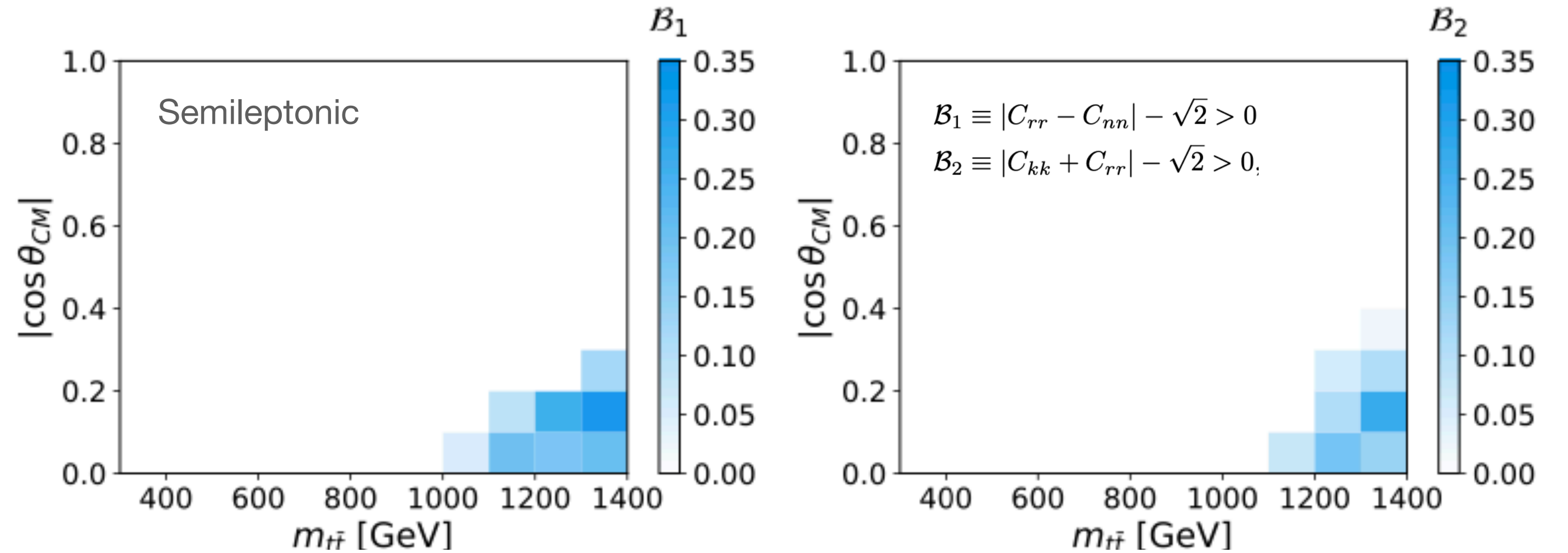
Entanglement observation by CMS

Bell inequalities violation

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High- p_T Selection	Cross section	Significance for > 2 w/ 3 ab^{-1}
Weak	0.58 pb	83% CL
Intermediate	0.31 pb	81% CL
Strong	0.17 pb	66% CL

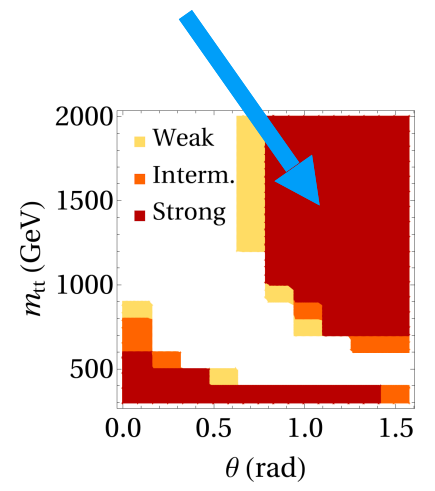
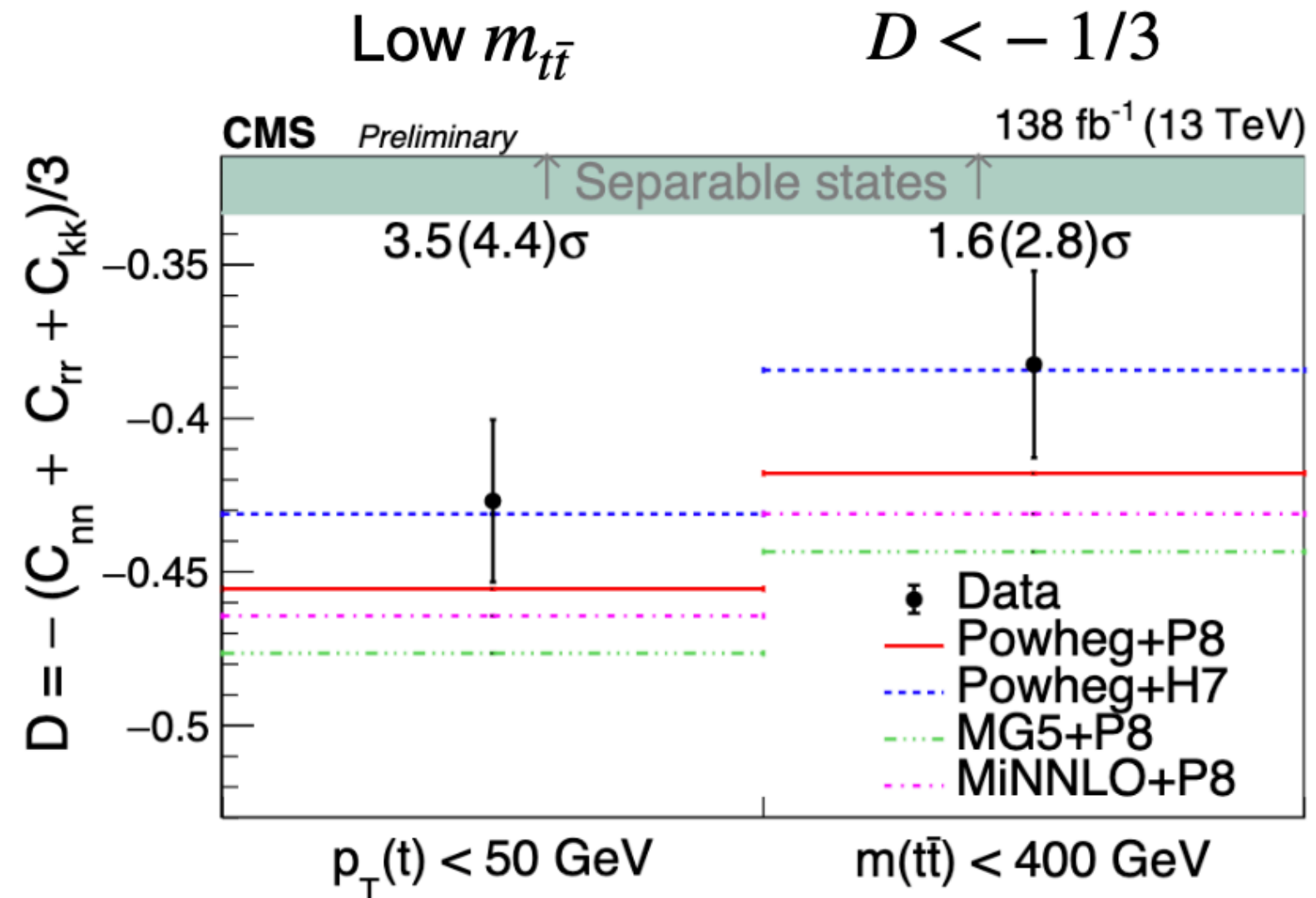
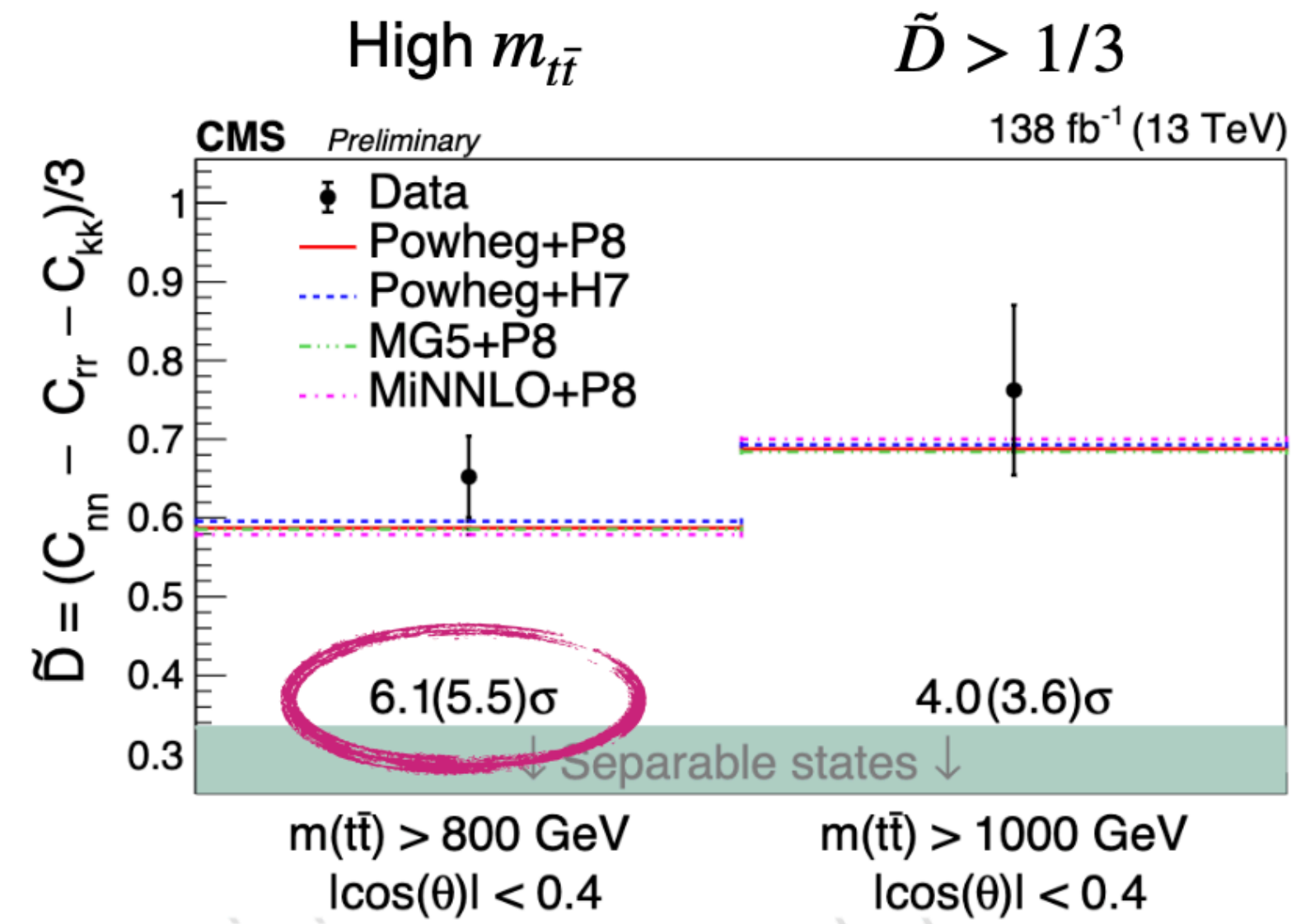
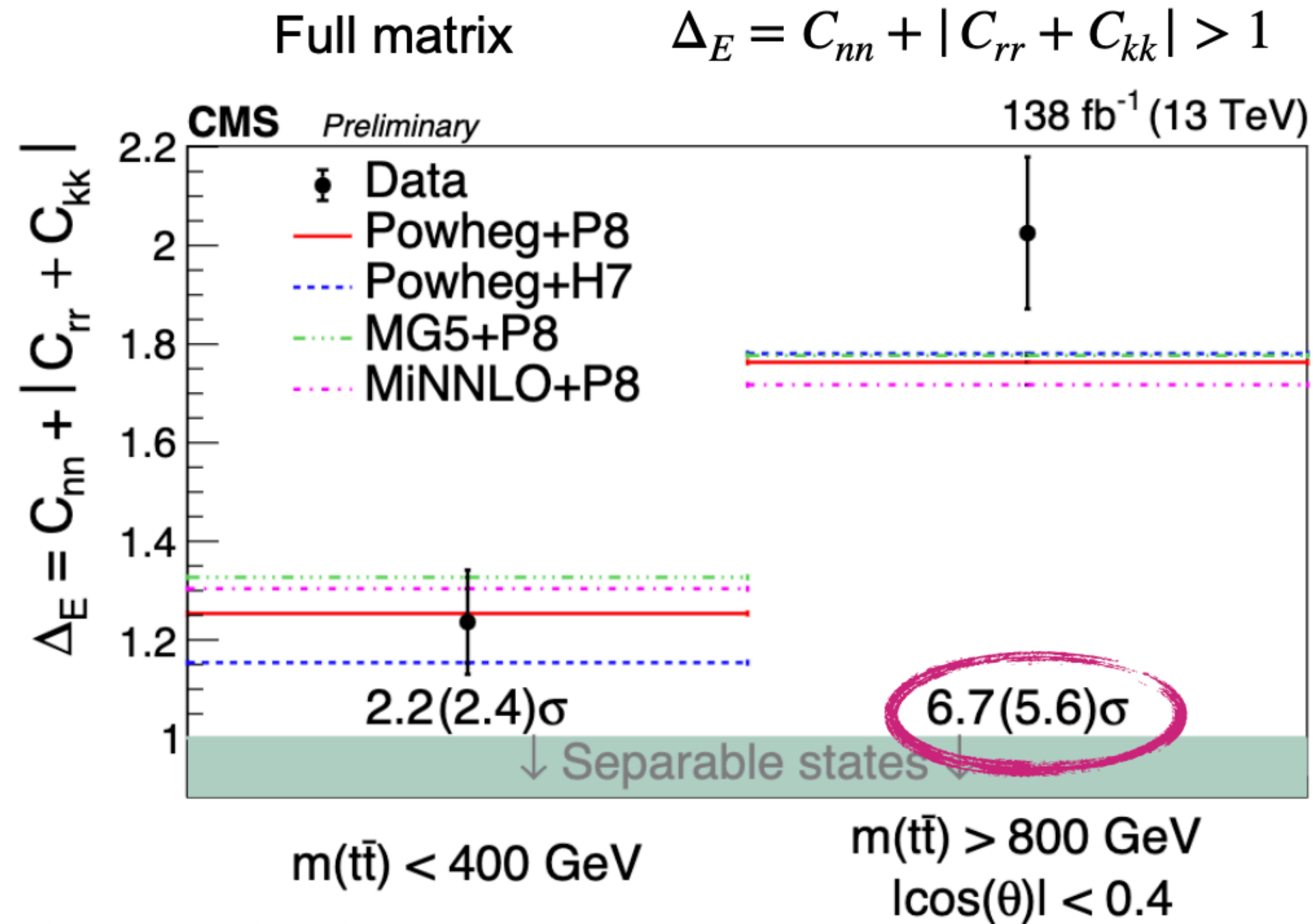
Low statistics...

Indicator	Parton-level	Unfolded	Significance ($\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$)
\mathcal{B}_1	0.267 ± 0.023	0.274 ± 0.057	4.8
\mathcal{B}_2	0.204 ± 0.023	0.272 ± 0.058	4.7

Better statistics, use of boosted top tagging

Challenging!!

First measurements Semileptonic channel



See Giulia Negro's seminar at CERN

Measurements going towards testing BIV (with many loopholes...)

Is there a *Quantum Advantage* in the search for New Physics?

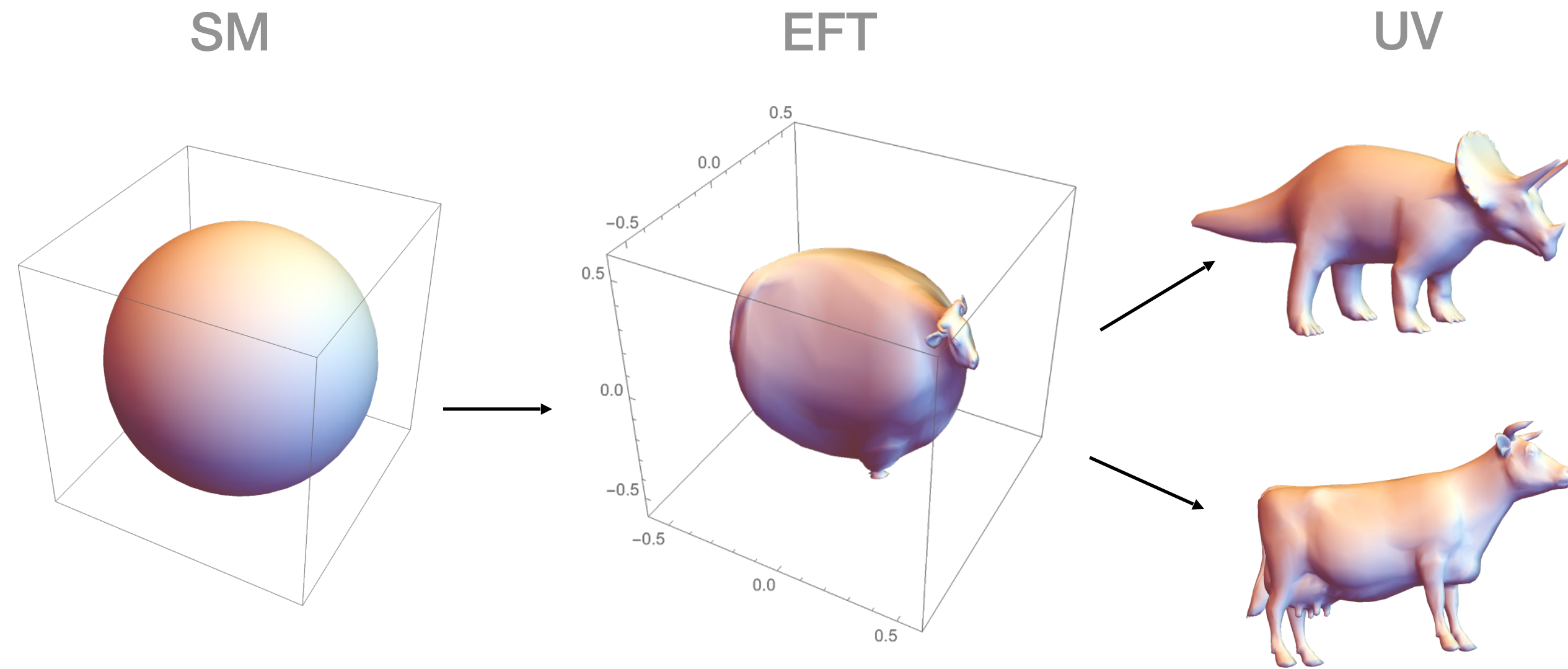
Two model-independent approaches:

- 1] BSM resides beyond the scales directly explored by the experiment
⇒ Effective Field Theory

- 2] BSM resonances can be directly produced
⇒ Simplified models

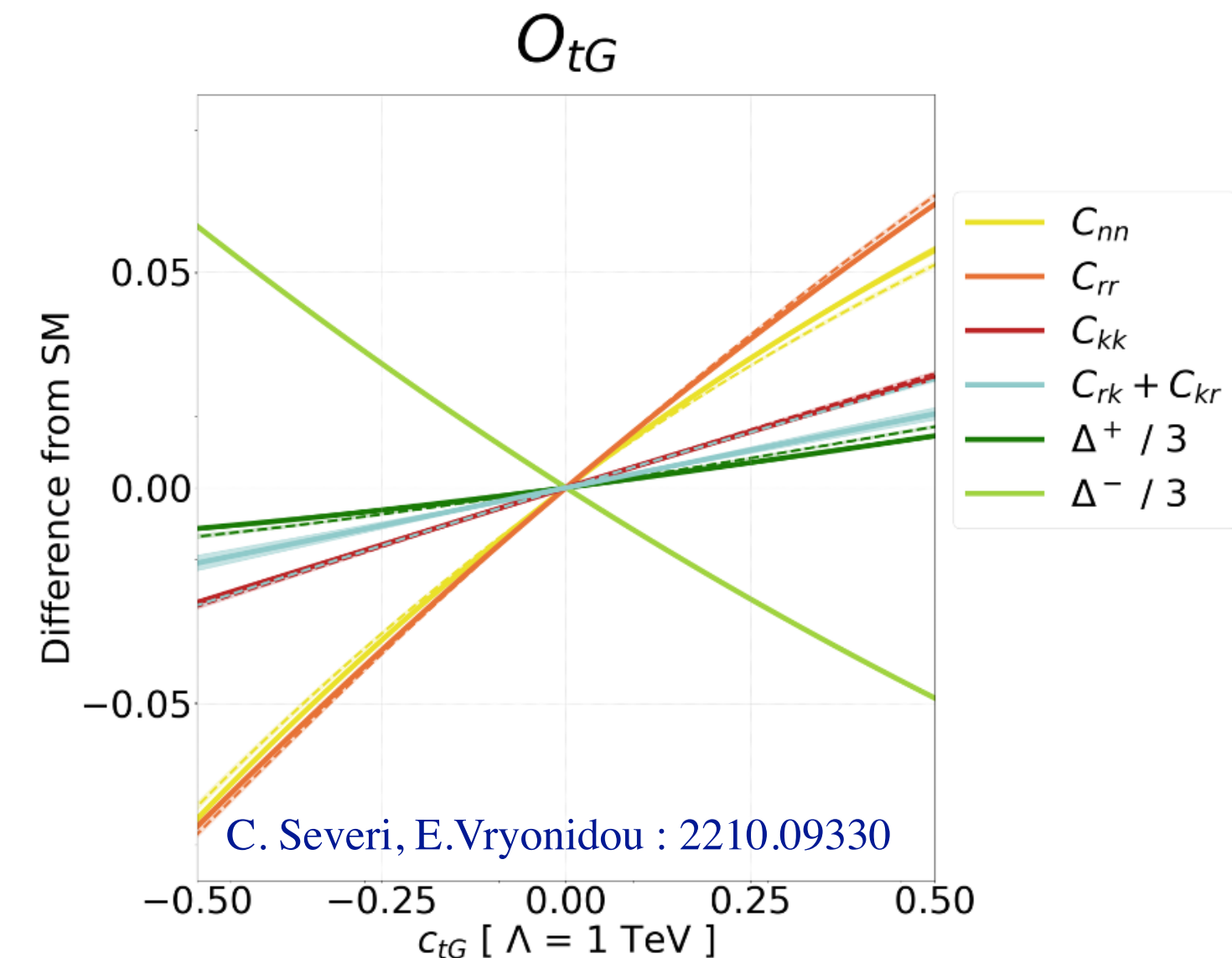
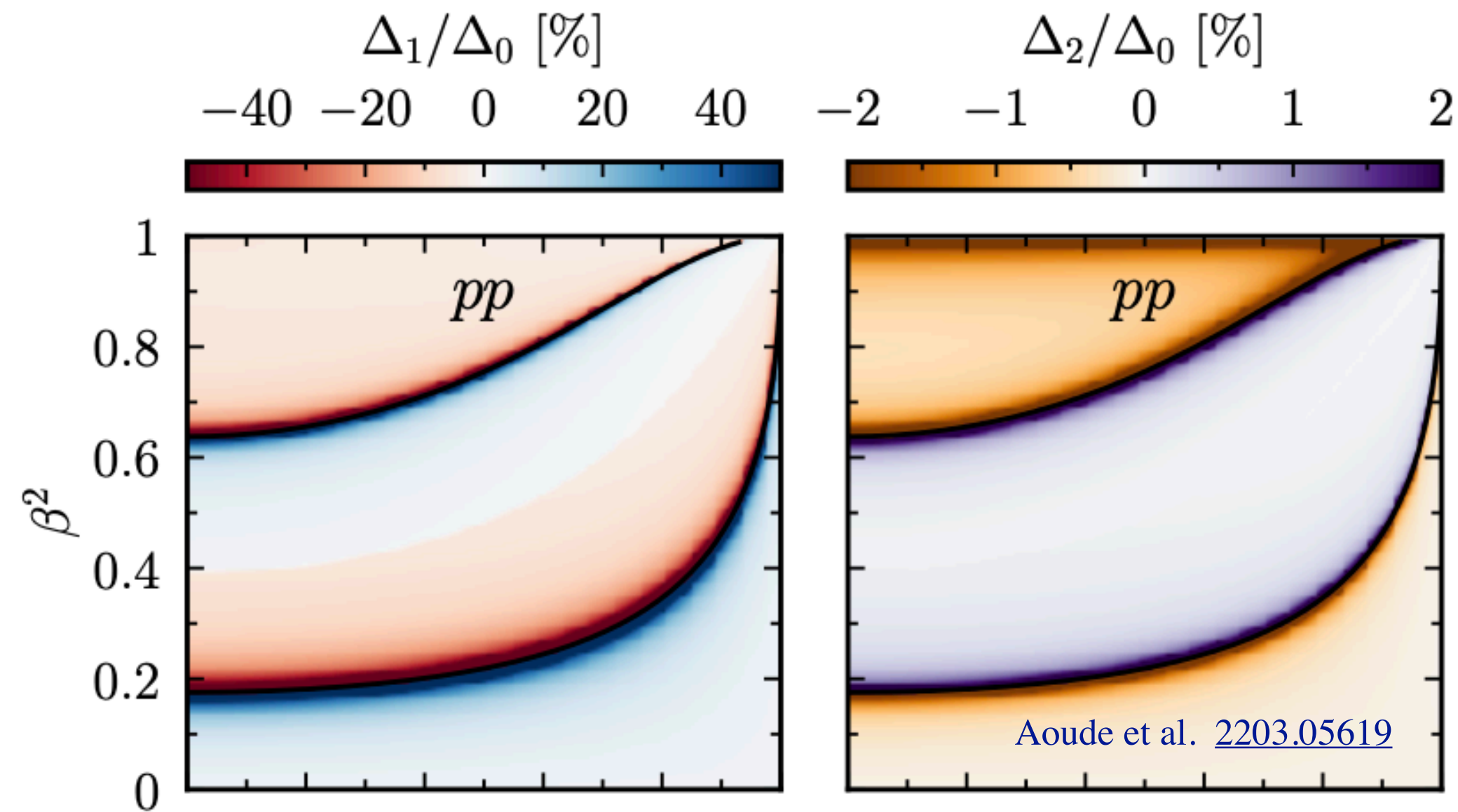
SMEFT

$$\mathcal{L}_{SM}^{(4)} = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi}i\not{D}\psi + (y_{ij}\bar{\psi}_L^i\phi\psi_R^j + \text{h.c.}) + |D_\mu\phi|^2 - V(\phi)$$



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{SM}^{(4)} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \sum_i^{N_6} c_i \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \sum_j^{N_8} c_j \mathcal{O}_j^{(8)} + \dots$$

Quantum Advantage for SMEFT

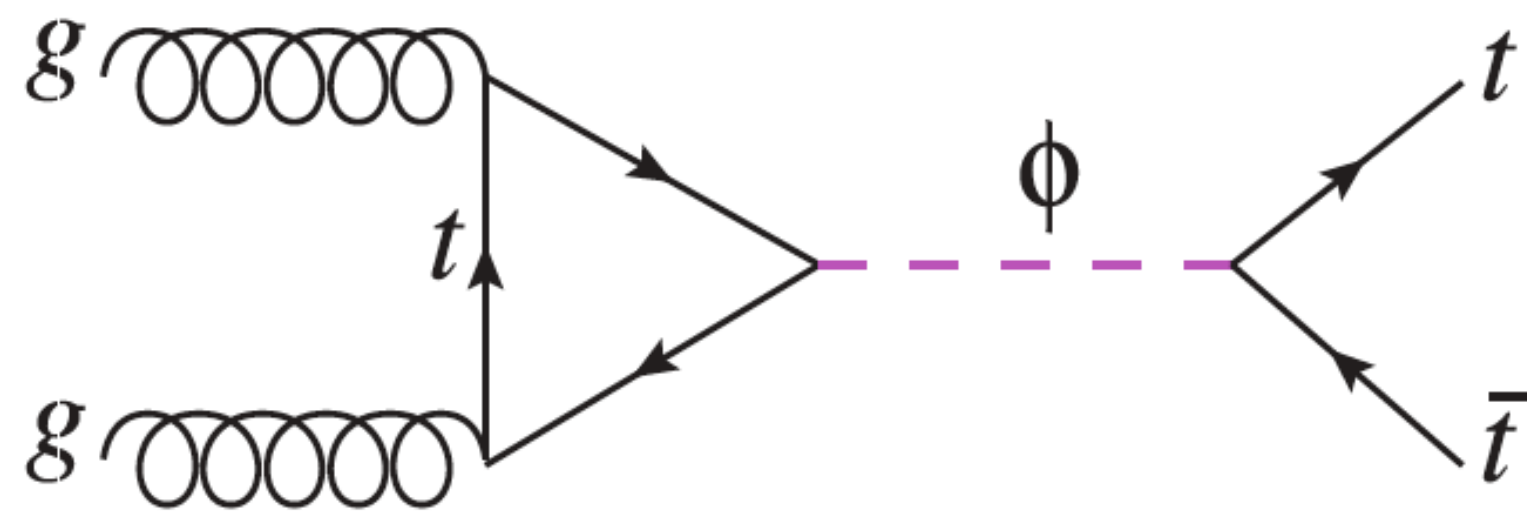


- New interactions modify both conventional and quantum observables
- Dimension-6 operators can modify the degree of entanglement between top quarks
- SMEFT introduce new structures, thus probing new linear combinations between coefficients
- QI observables can break degeneracies between operators when combined with standard observables

New sensitivity!

BSM resonances

Scalar

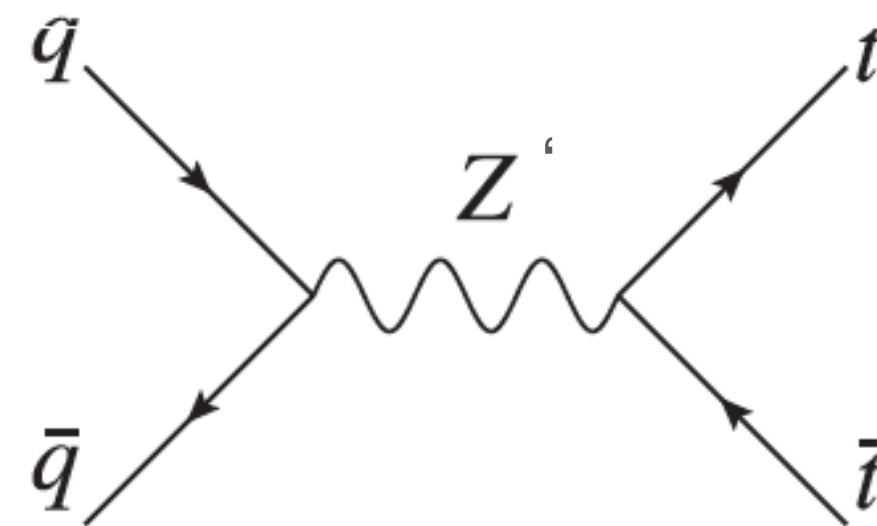


$$c_y \frac{y_t}{\sqrt{2}} \phi \bar{t} (\cos \alpha + i \gamma^5 \sin \alpha) t$$

$$C^{[gg, \phi]} \Big|_{\alpha=\pi/2} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C^{[gg, \phi]} \Big|_{\alpha=0} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

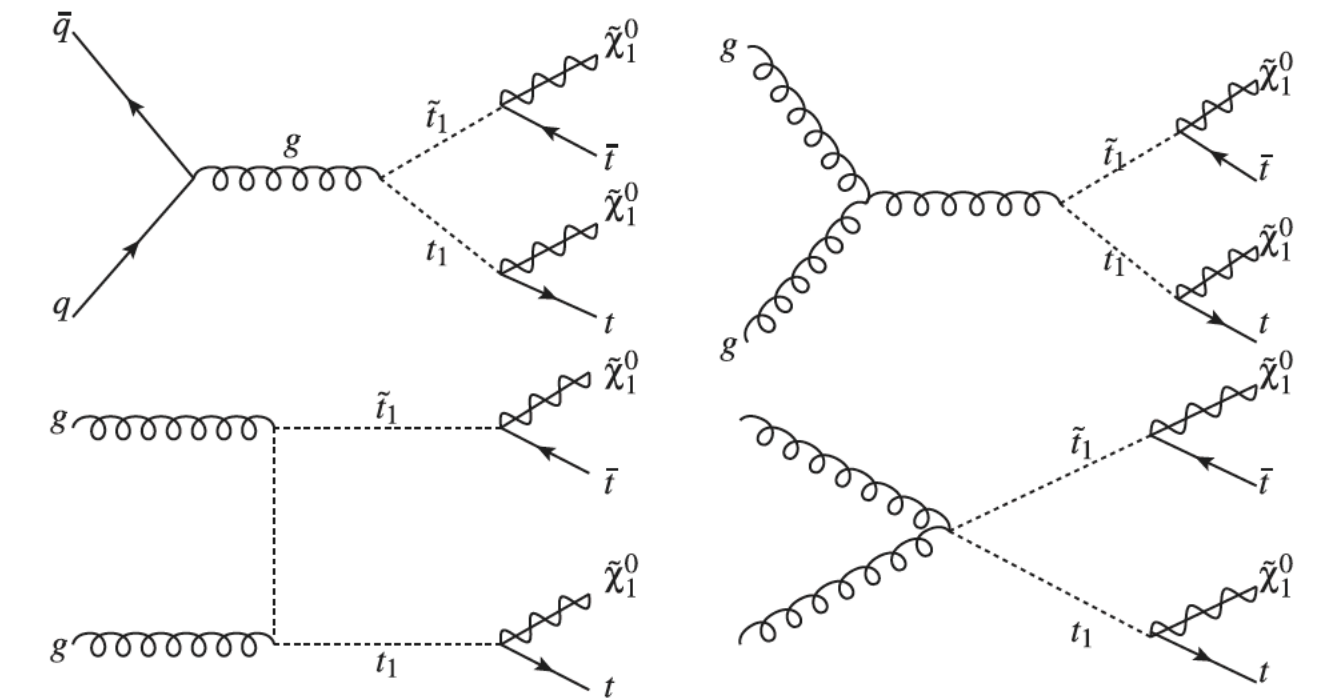
Z'



Sequential Z'

It interferes with SM EW top production.

Stops



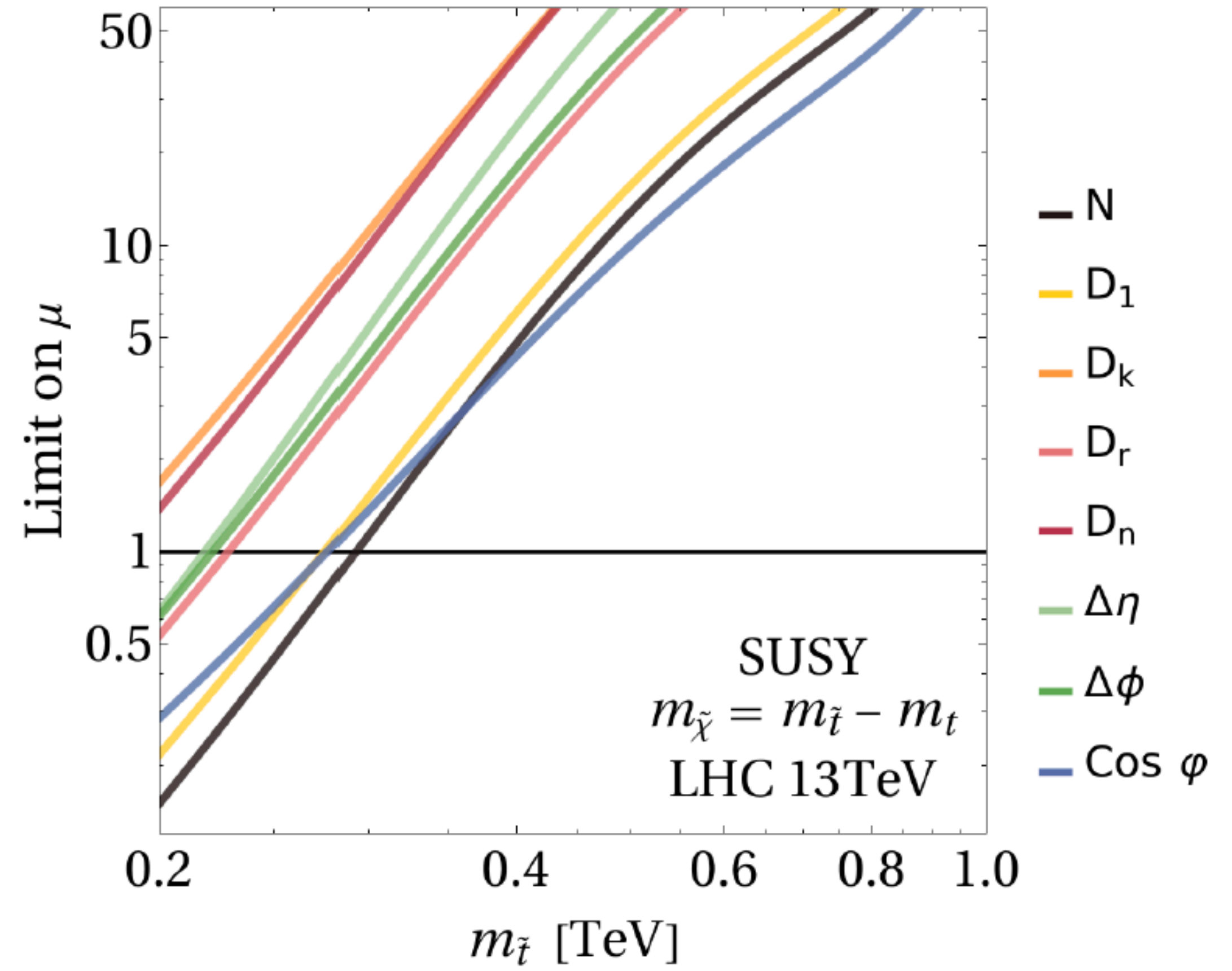
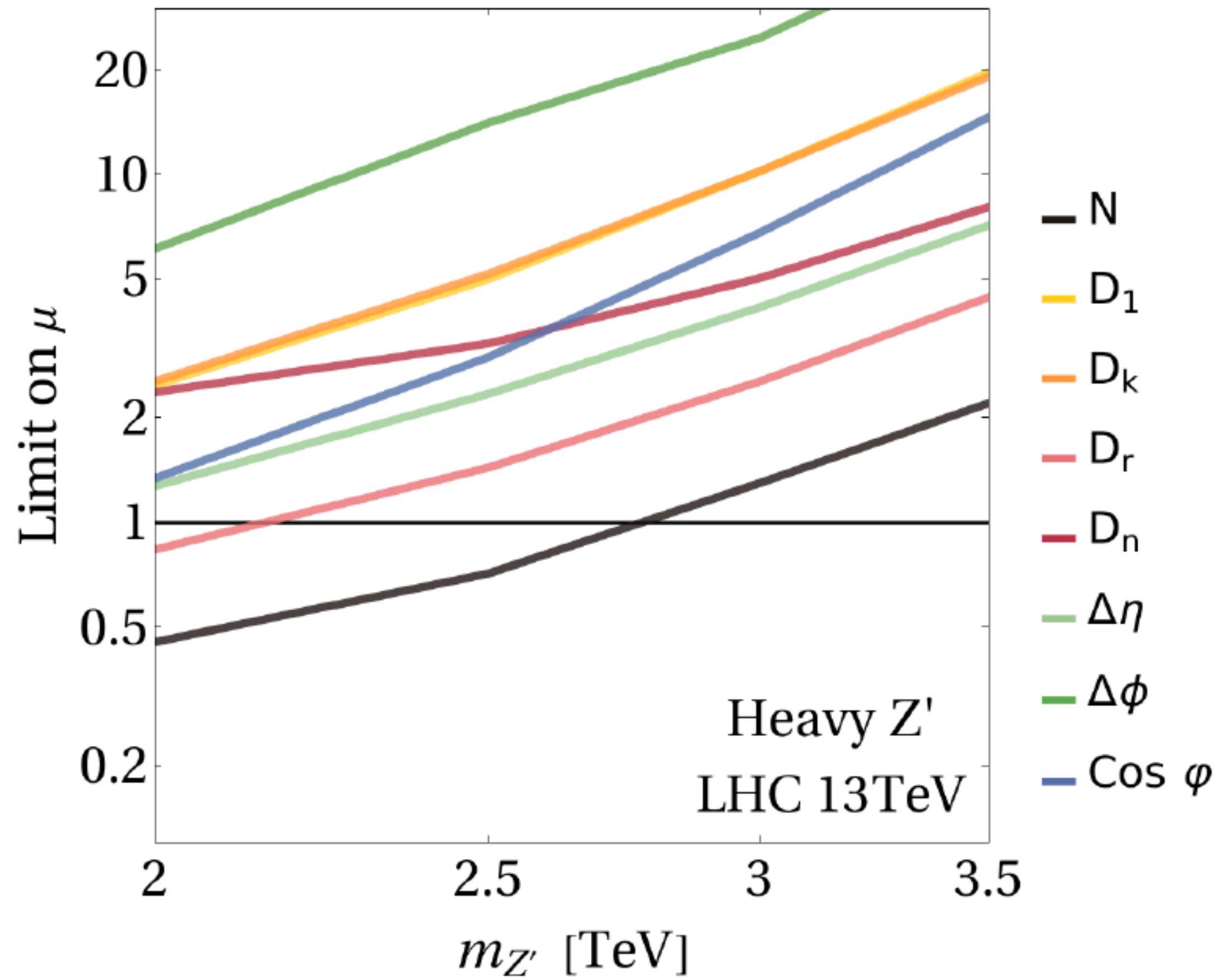
$$|m_{\tilde{t}_1} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} - m_t| \approx \Gamma_t,$$

$$C^{[\text{SUSY}]} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$B_i = \frac{A^{[\text{SM}]}}{A^{[\text{TOT}]}} B_i^{[\text{SM}]} + \frac{A^{[\text{SUSY}]}}{A^{[\text{TOT}]}} B_i^{[\text{SUSY}]} \simeq \frac{A^{[\text{SUSY}]}}{A^{[\text{TOT}]}} B_i^{[\text{SUSY}]},$$

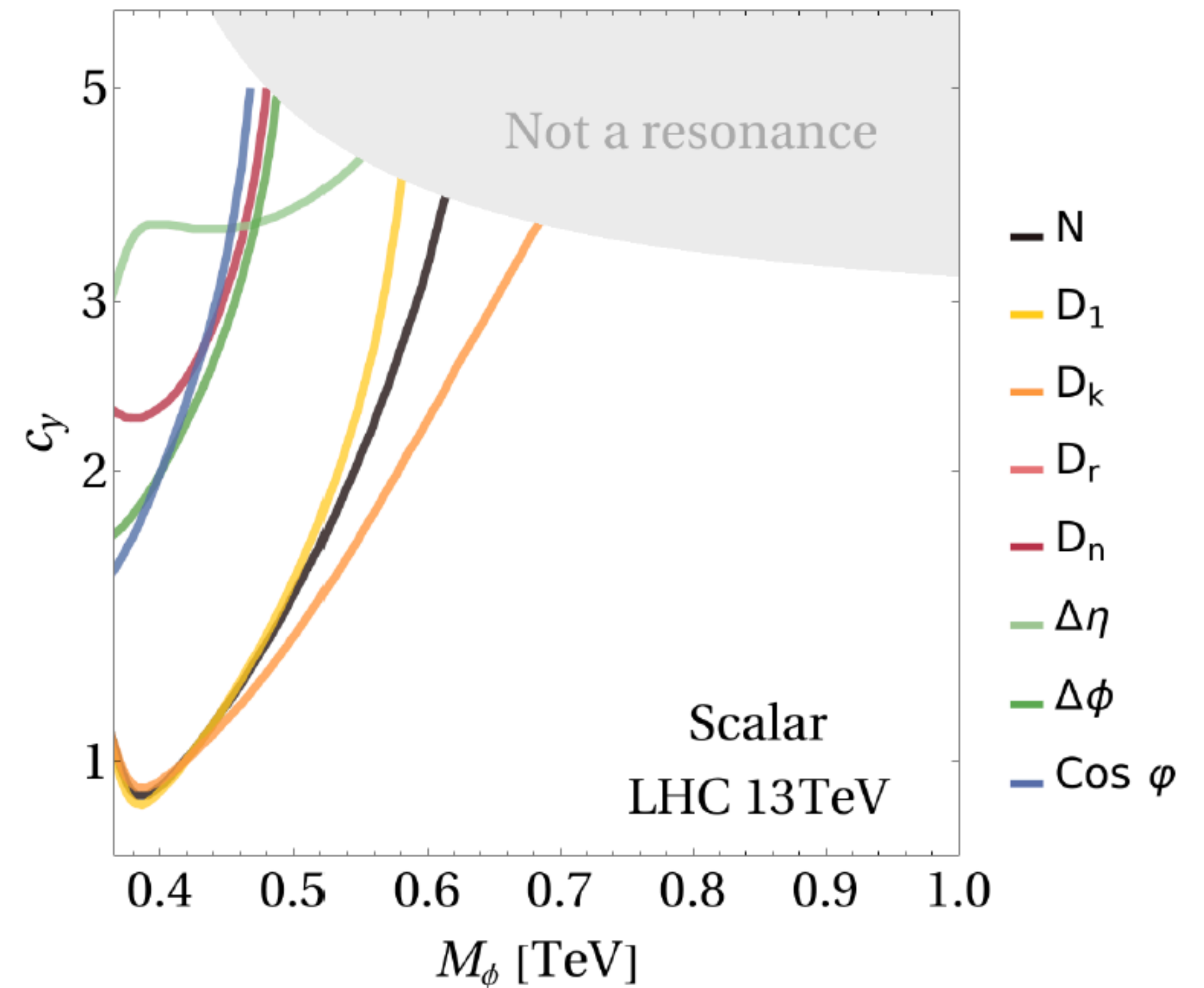
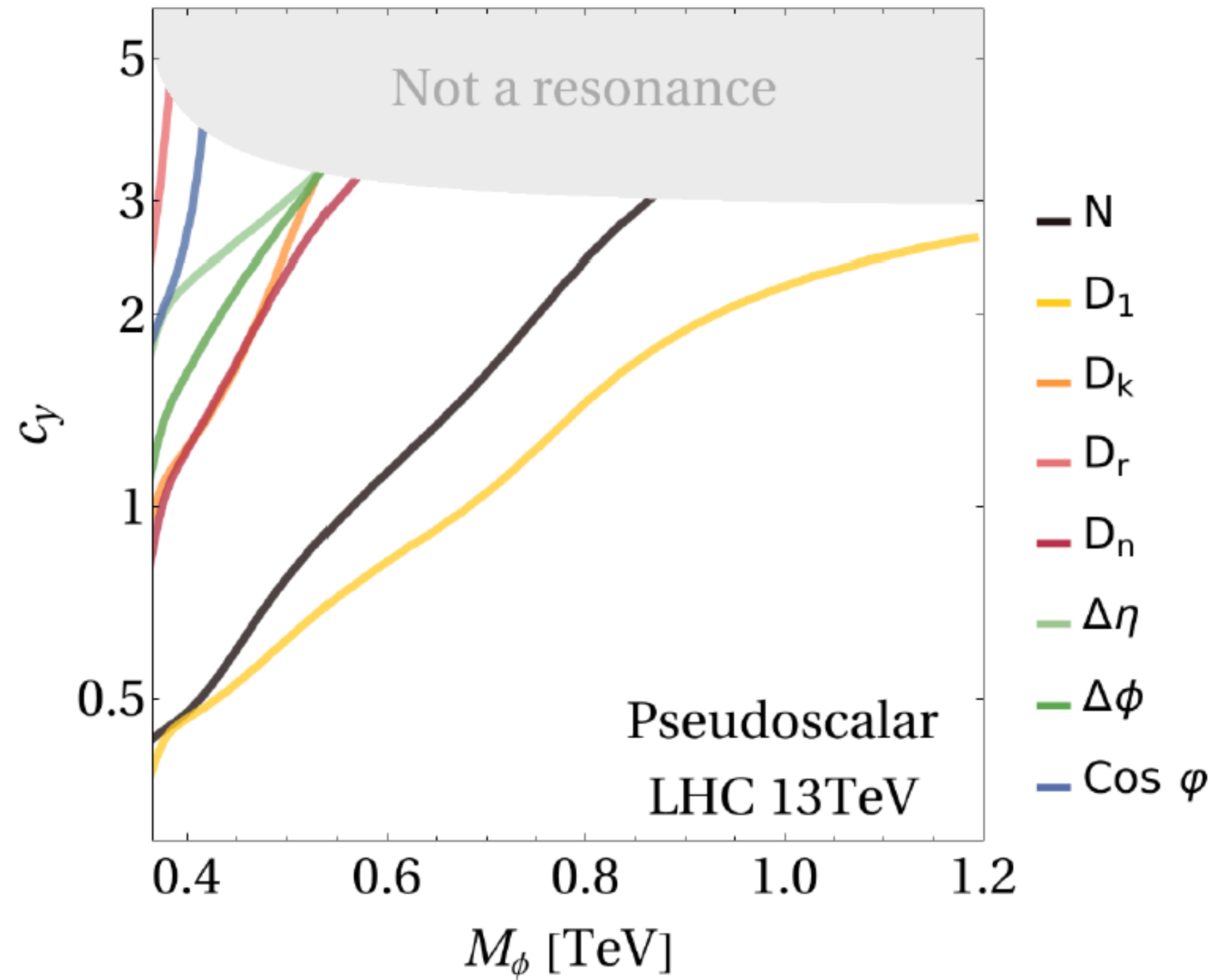
$$C = \frac{A^{[\text{SM}]}}{A^{[\text{TOT}]}} C^{[\text{SM}]} + \frac{A^{[\text{SUSY}]}}{A^{[\text{TOT}]}} C^{[\text{SUSY}]} = \frac{A^{[\text{SM}]}}{A^{[\text{TOT}]}} C^{[\text{SM}]},$$

Quantum Advantage for BSM resonances



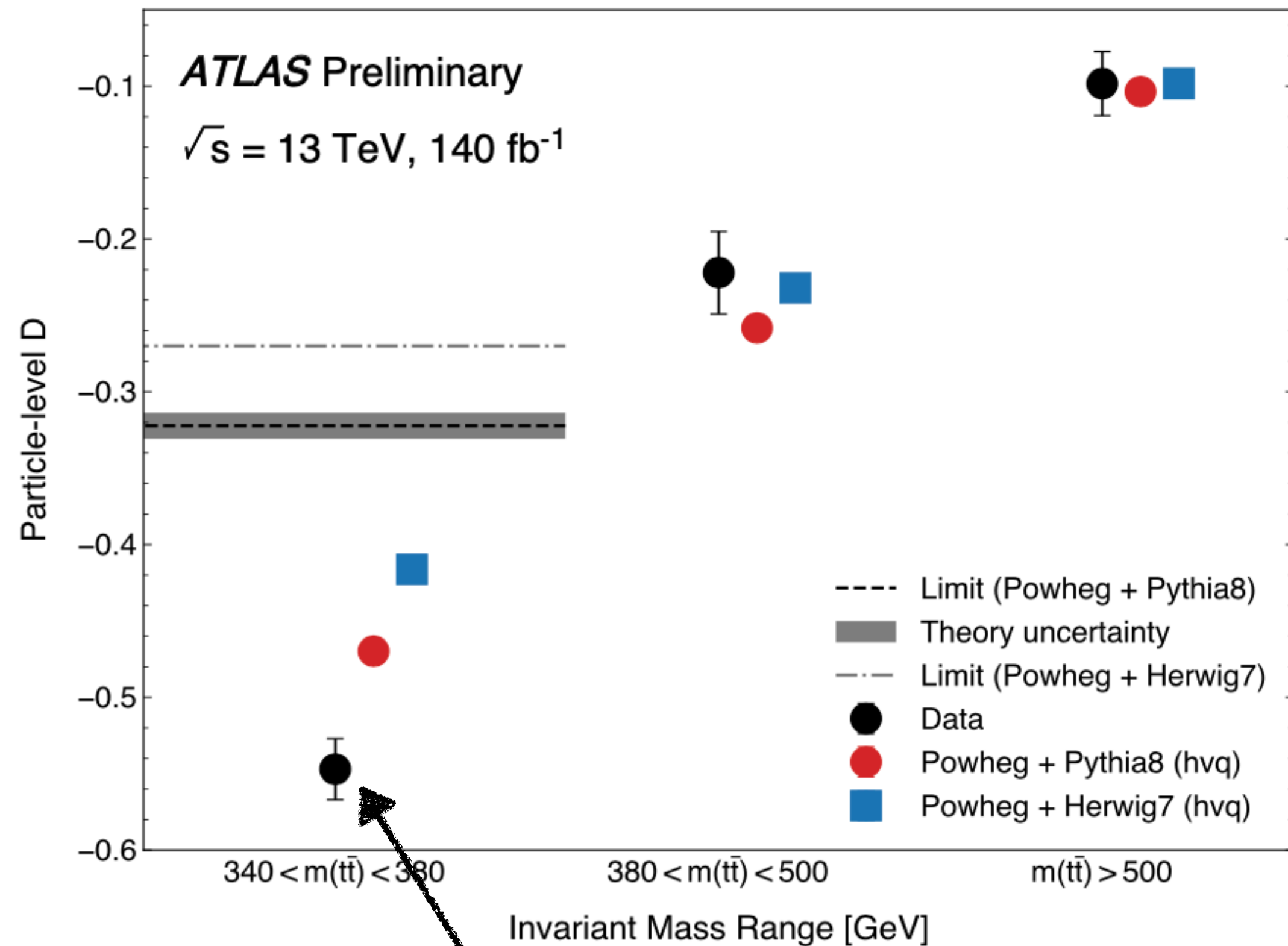
Not adding much...

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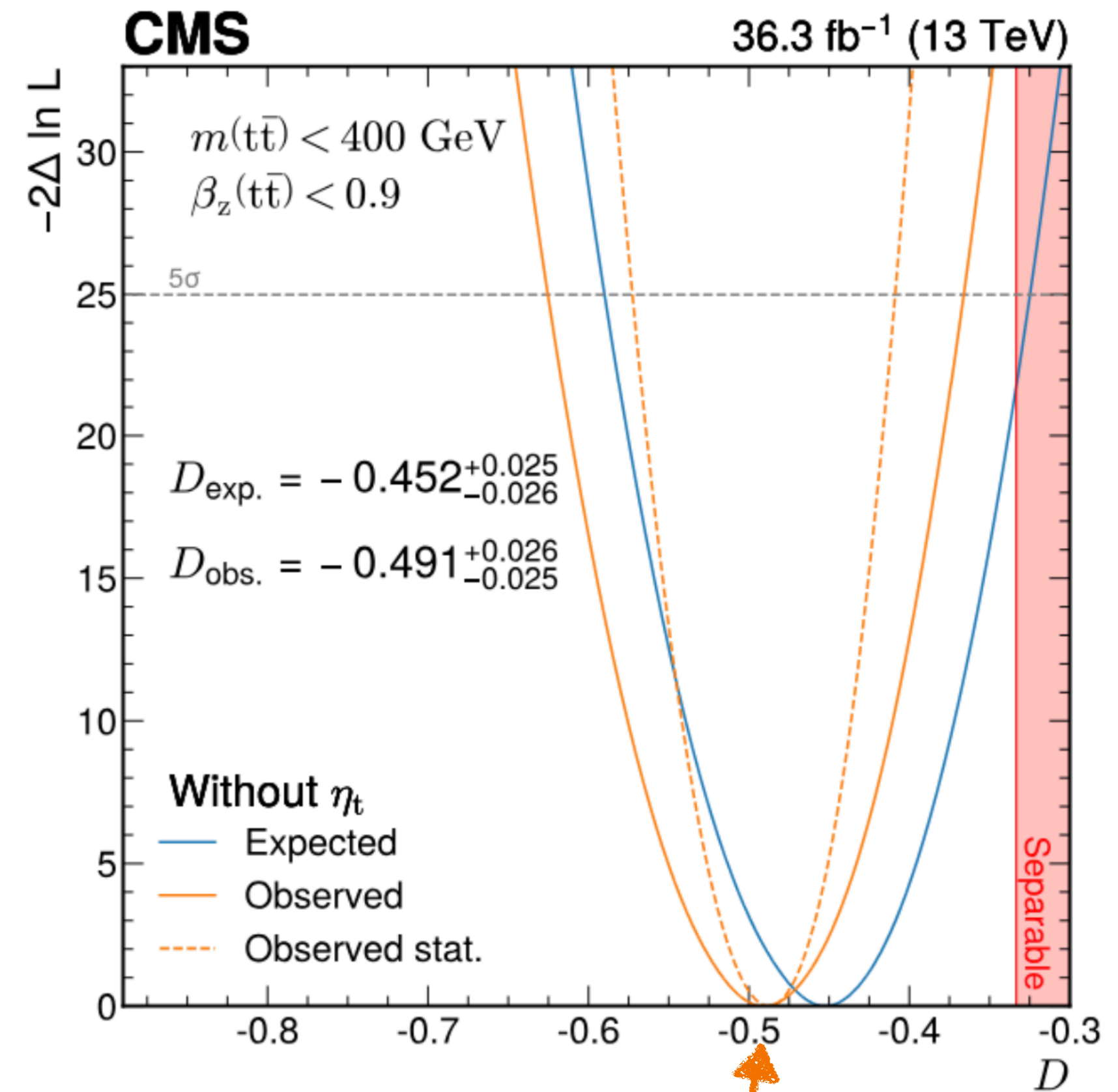


Promising!

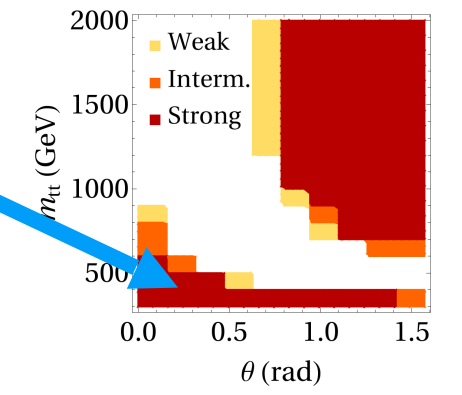
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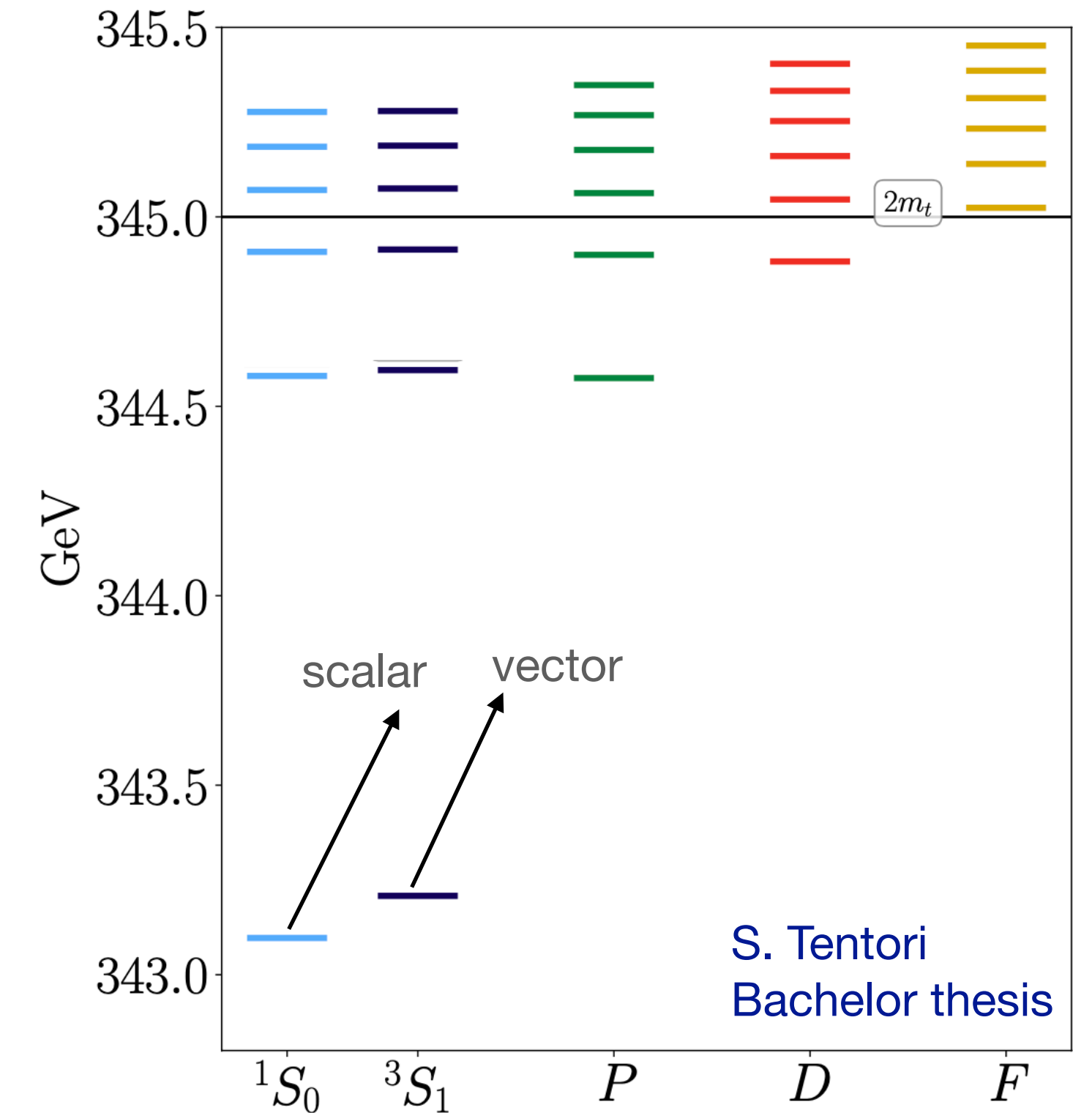
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More entanglement than predicted by NLO+PS QCD!

New SM Physics: Toponium

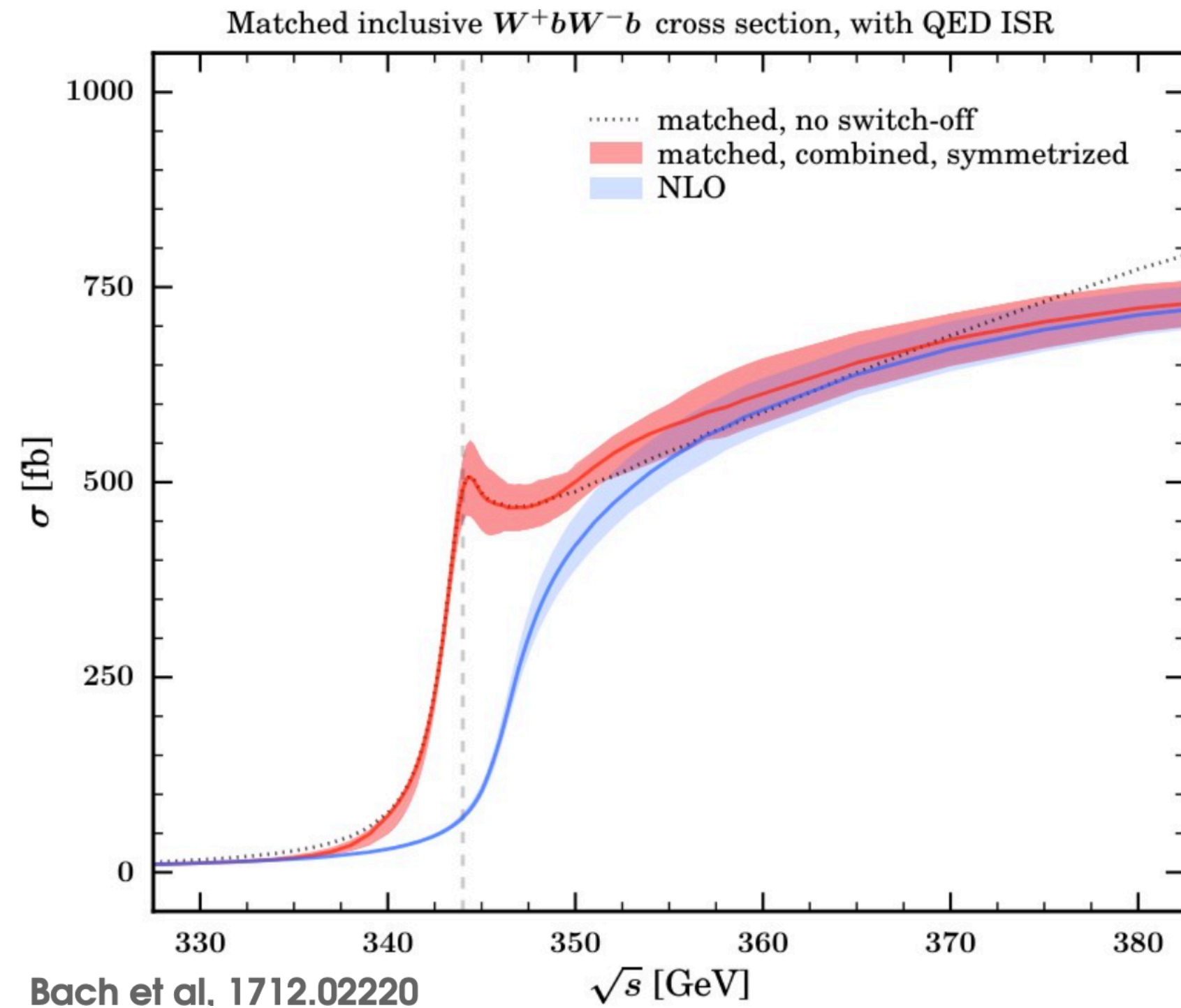
- Quasi-Bound State of top and antitop
- Energy states obtained by solving Schrödinger equation with QCD potential
- Described by NRQCD
- Ground state n=1 S-wave
- Spin-singlet vs spin-triplet depending on production mode
 - spin singlet for pp and spin triplet for e^+e^-



$$\left[(E + i\Gamma_t) - \left(\frac{\nabla^2}{m_t} + V(\mathbf{r}) \right) \right] G(\mathbf{r}, E + i\Gamma_t) = \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r}) \quad V_{\text{QCD}}(r, \mu_B) = C^{[\text{col}]} \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_B)}{r} \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left(2\beta_0 \log(e^\gamma \mu_B r) + \frac{31}{9} C_A - \frac{10}{9} n_f \right) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \right]$$

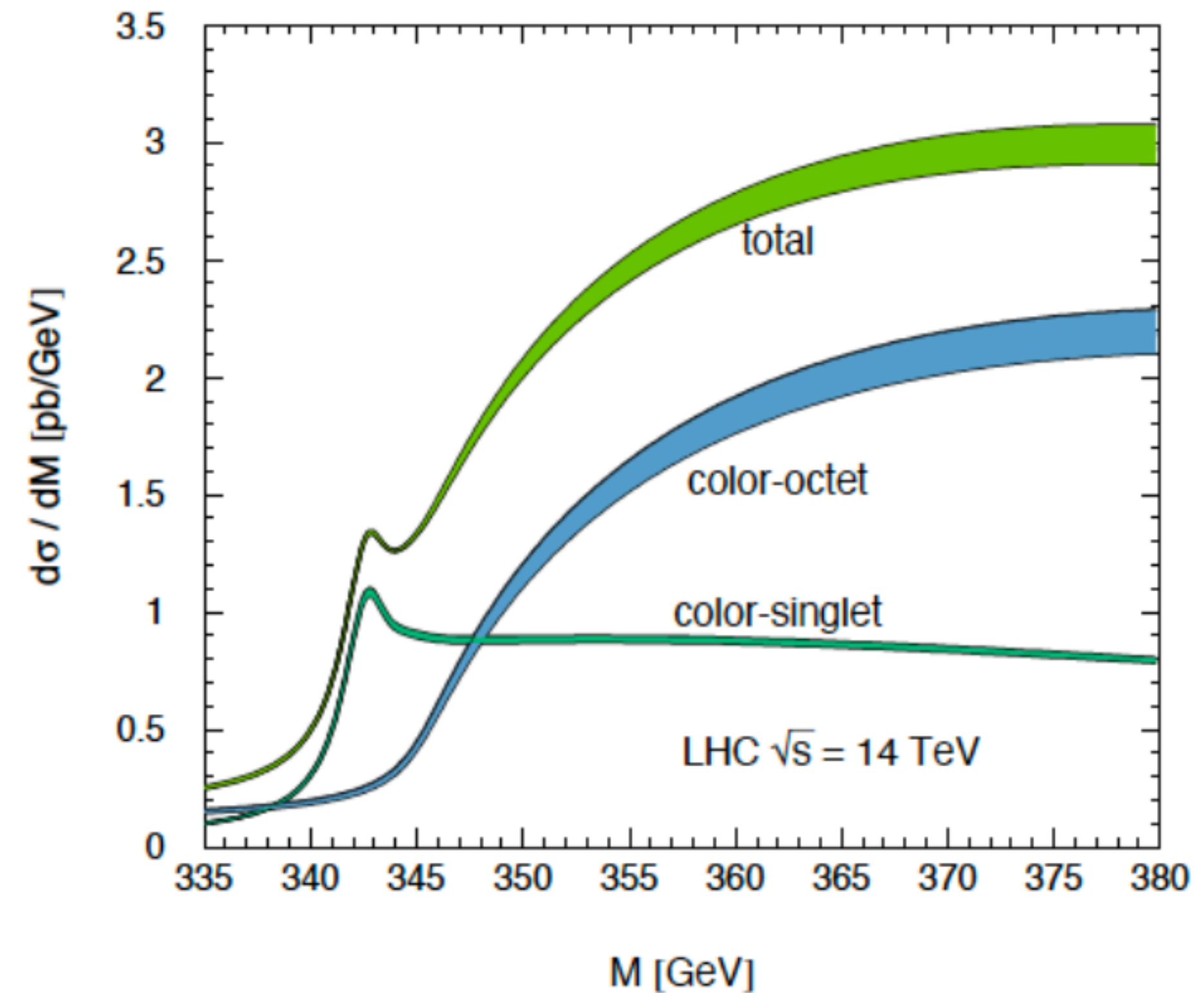
New SM Physics: Toponium

e^+e^- predictions



Fully differential NLO+LL, Coulomb Resummation

LHC predictions



Coulomb Resummation

Needs matching between below threshold, toponium region, continuum

Kiyoyama, Kühn, Steinhauser, Moch, Uwer arXiv: 0812.0919

Ju, Wang, Wang, Xu, Xu and Li Lin Yang arXiv:2004.03088

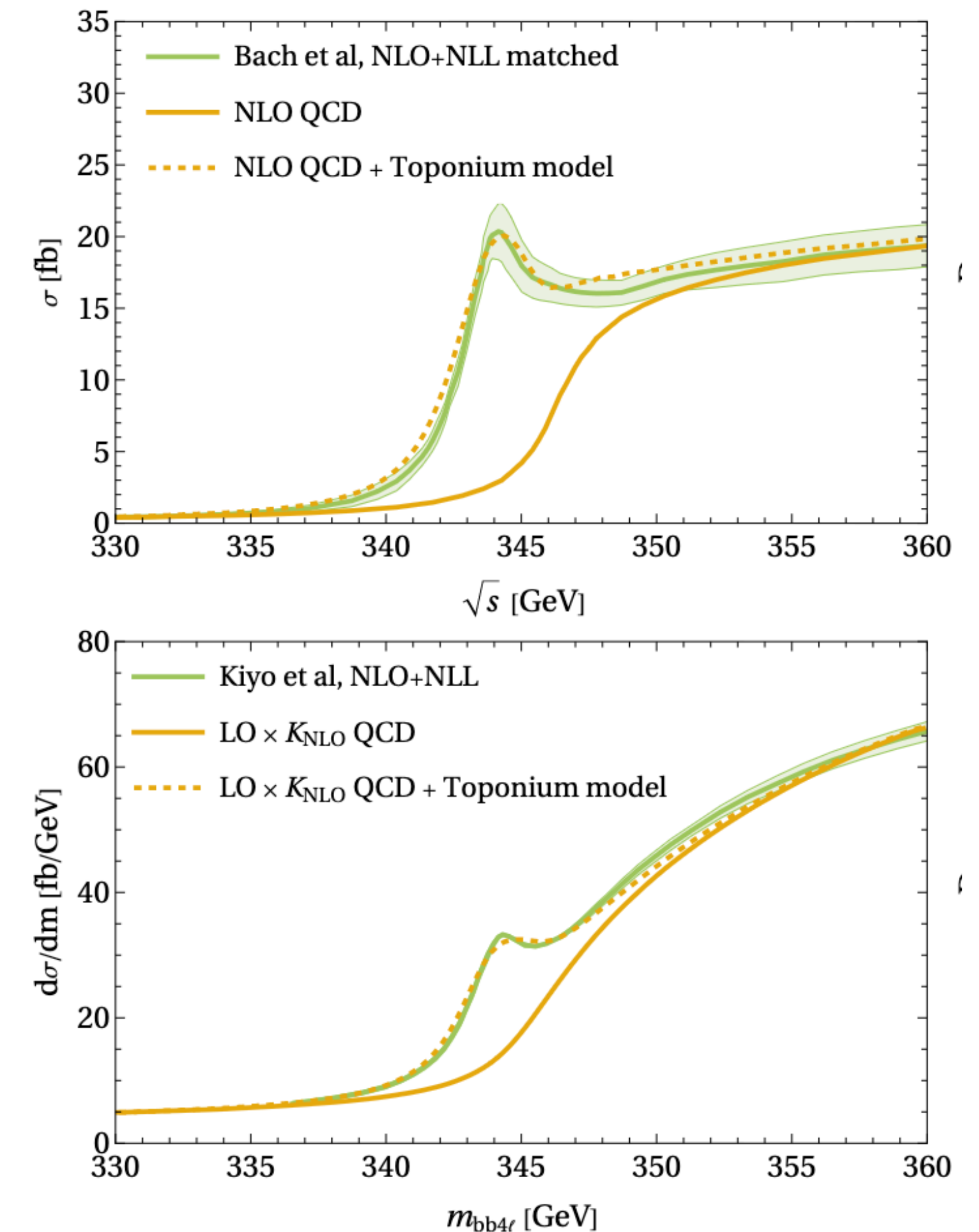
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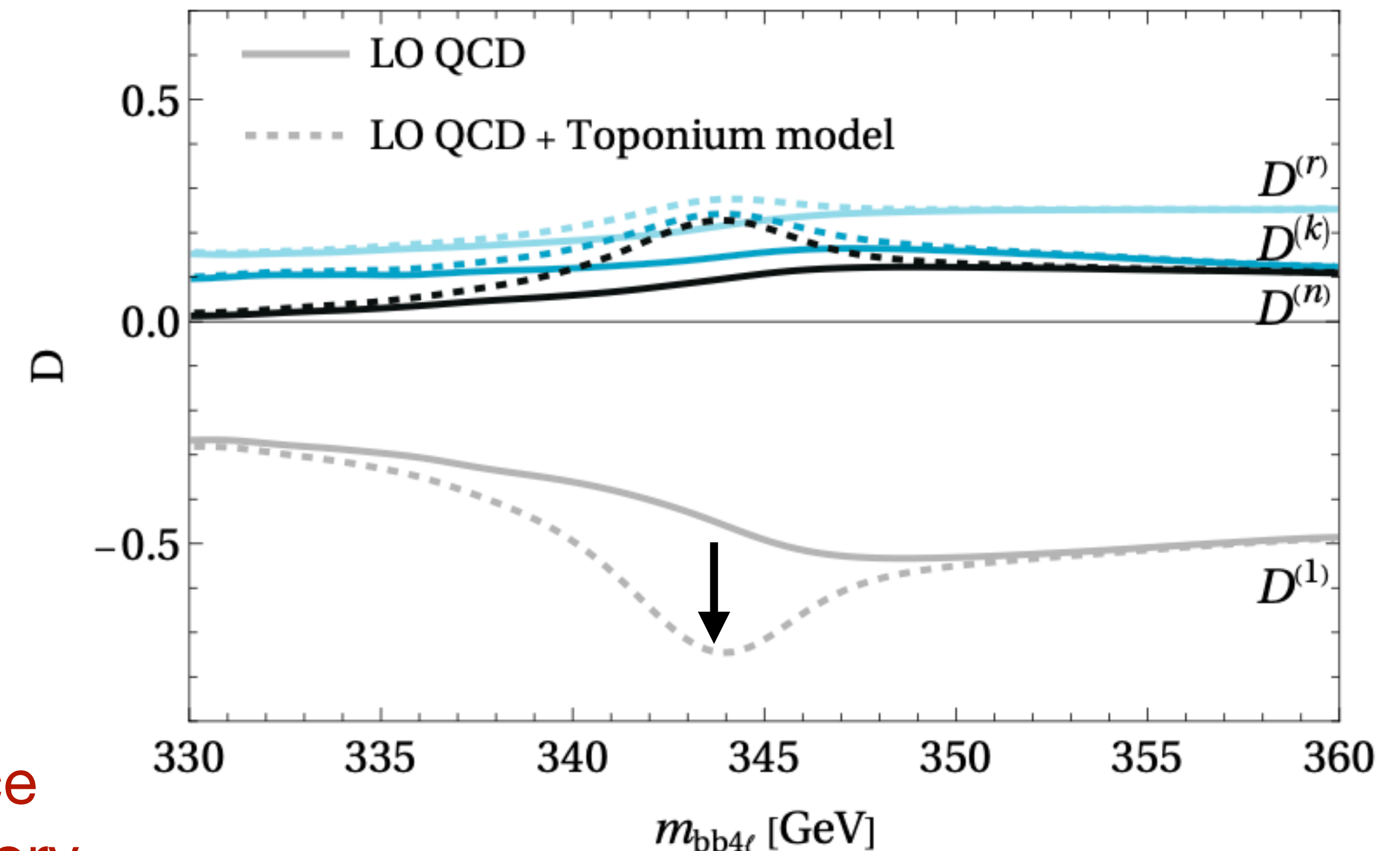
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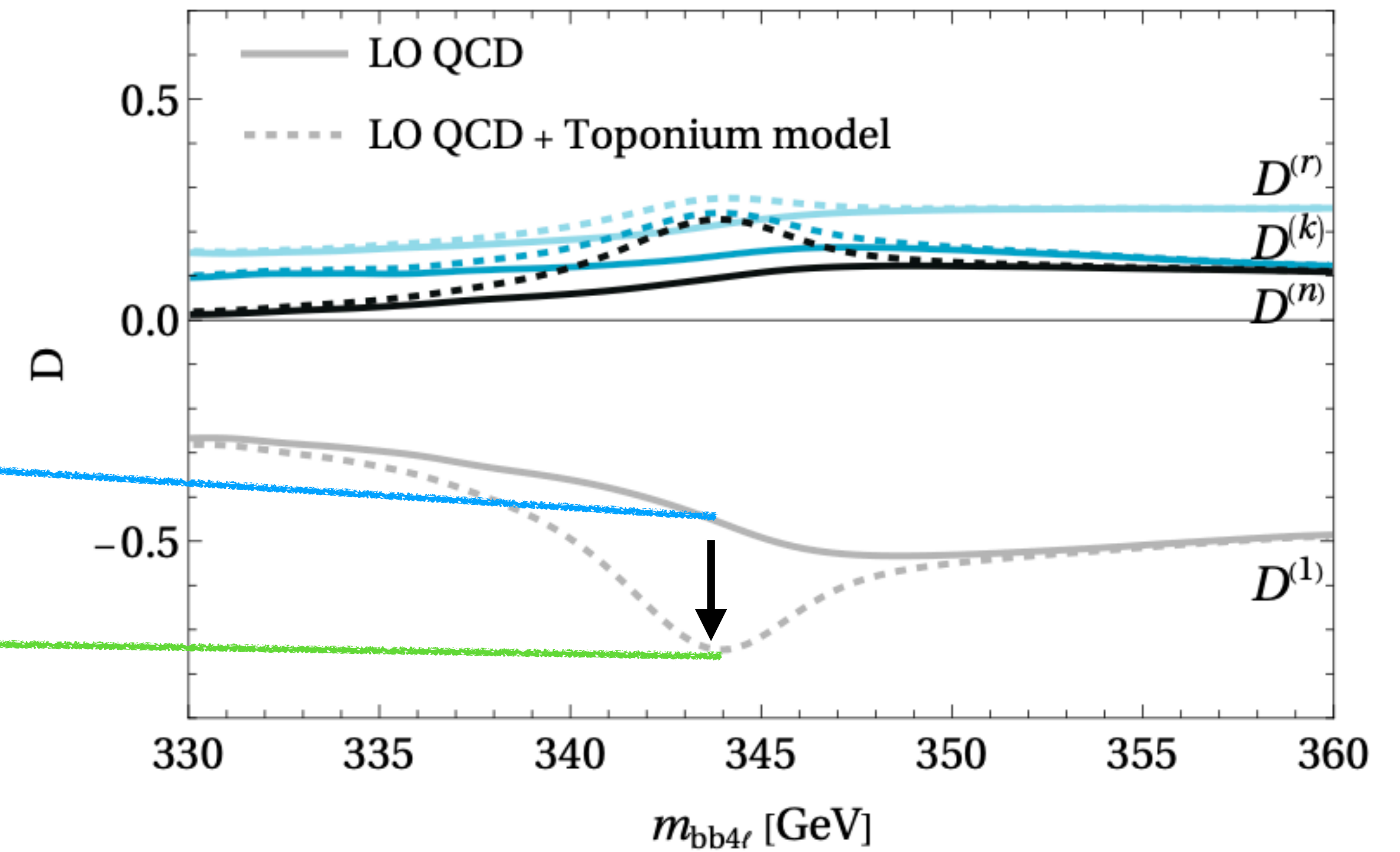
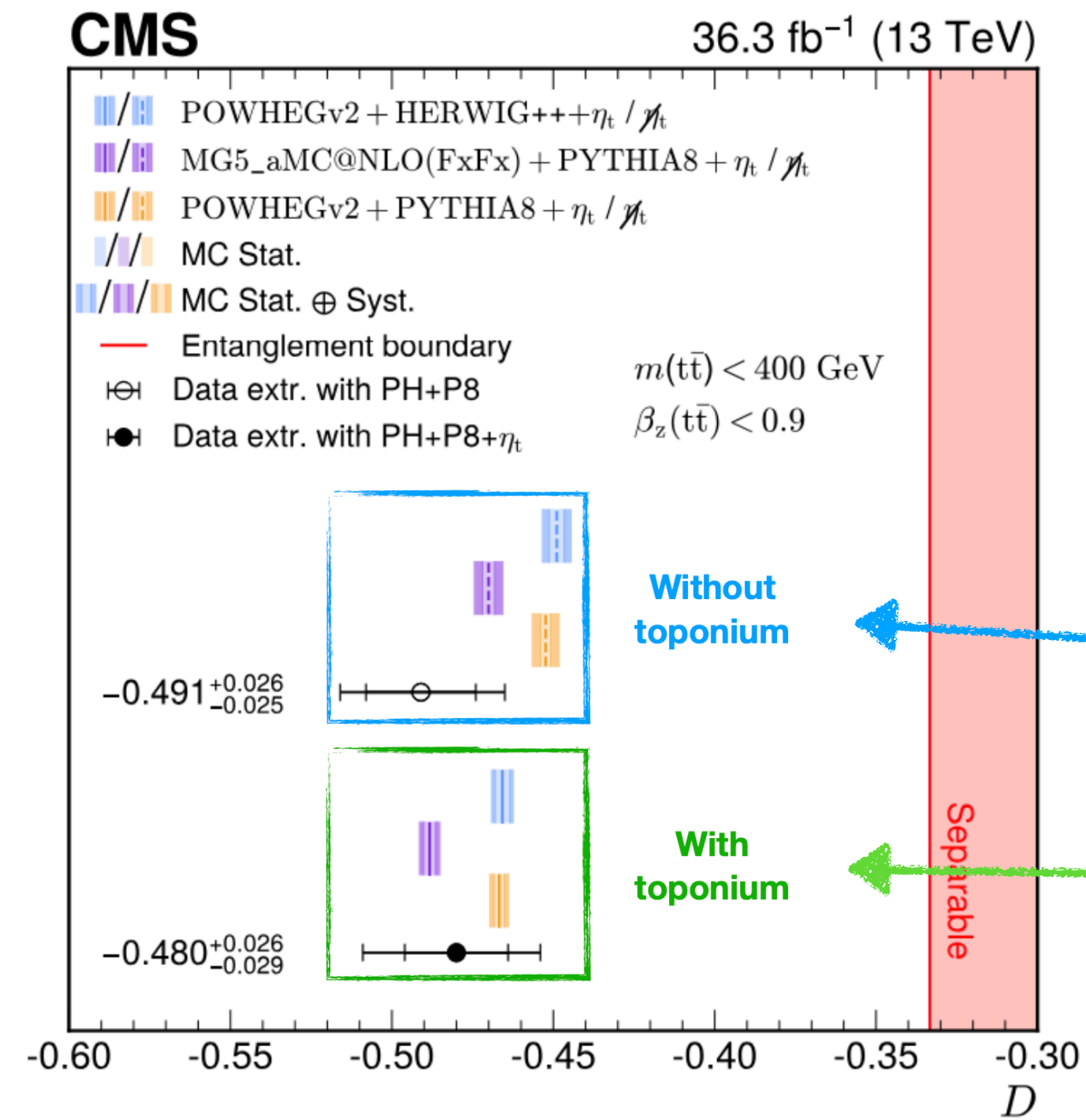
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Significant impact on entanglement markers, hence improvement of measurement agreement with theory

Pseudoscalar resonance leads to different spin correlations compared to QCD



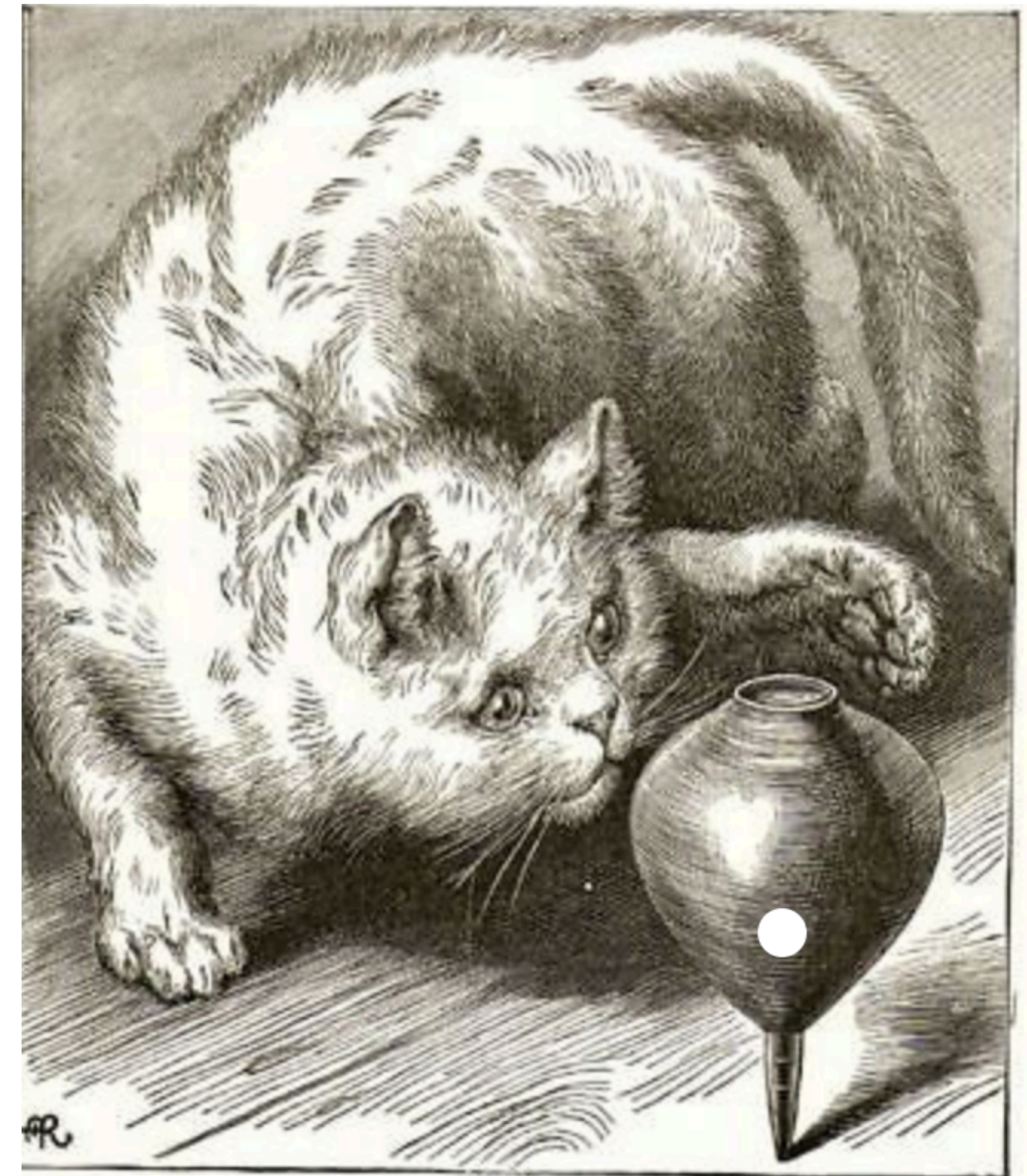
First measurements



Tantalising indication of New (SM) Physics!

Conclusions

- ❖ Quantum information and computing is hyped up. It promises a quantum advantage that, while not yet proven, could bring to transformative applications.
- ❖ The current status builds upon a number of theoretical and experimental advances in the last 30 years that have changed the way we think about quantum mechanics.
- ❖ Our current description of fundamental interactions, based on QFT, has QM at its core. Theoretically, it is embedded in our formalism so deeply that (sometimes) we do not even notice. Experimentally, however, most of our measurements are not correlations, but just counting experiments.
- ❖ A novel interest in looking at fundamental interactions at TeV scale with QI glasses has started since two/three years ago and has quickly lead to a variety of studies and interesting results, ...



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...raising new ideas and questions every day !

- ❖ Is there a relation between symmetries and entanglement? [1812.03138](#), [2210.12085](#)
- ❖ What is the best frame for making quantum measurements? [2311.09166](#)
- ❖ How is decoherence happening for collider final states?
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- ❖ Is the information entropy a useful quantity in collider physics?
- ❖ Are SM interactions minimal in with respect to alternative theories? [2307.08112](#)
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Quantum correlations

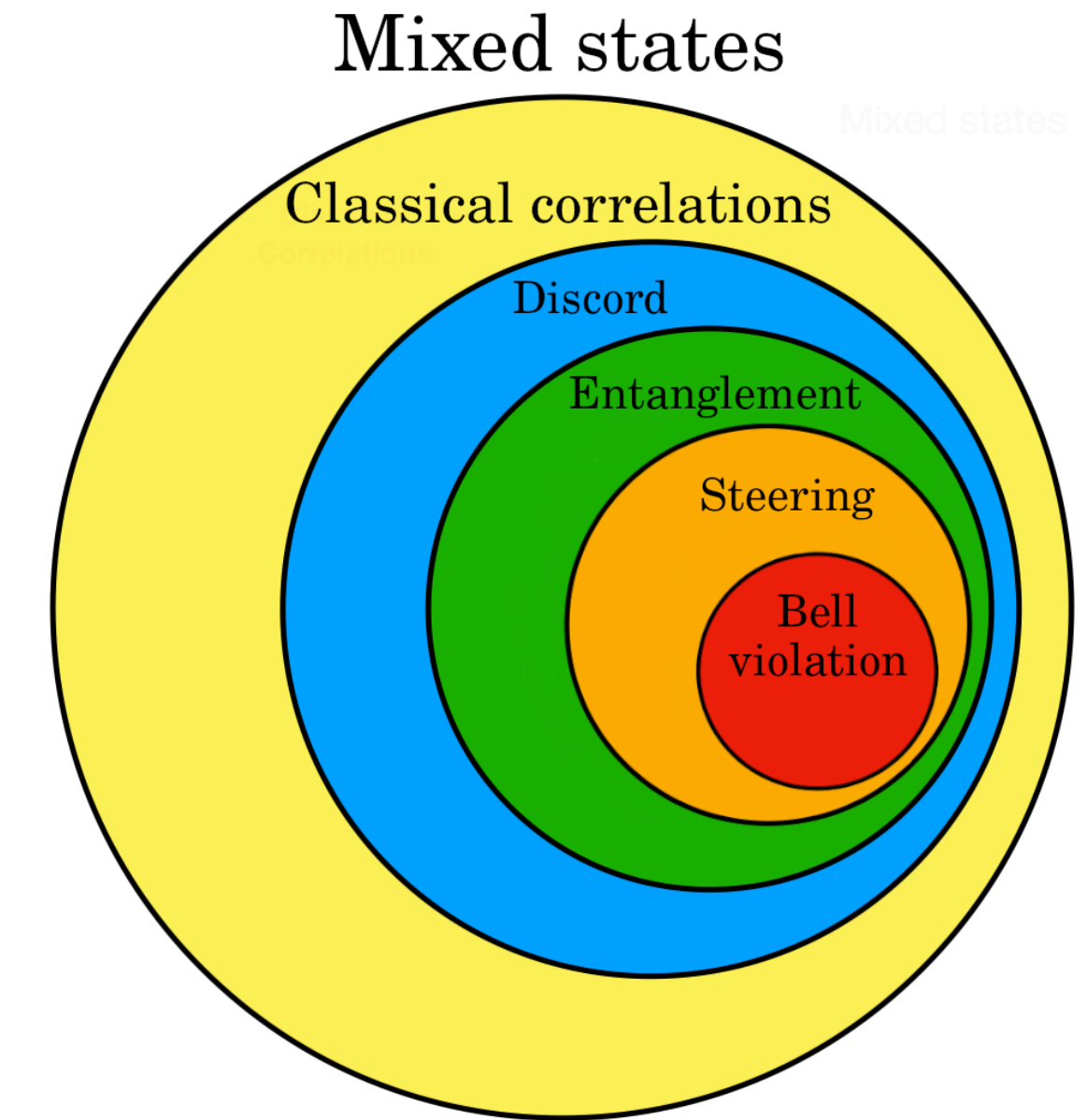
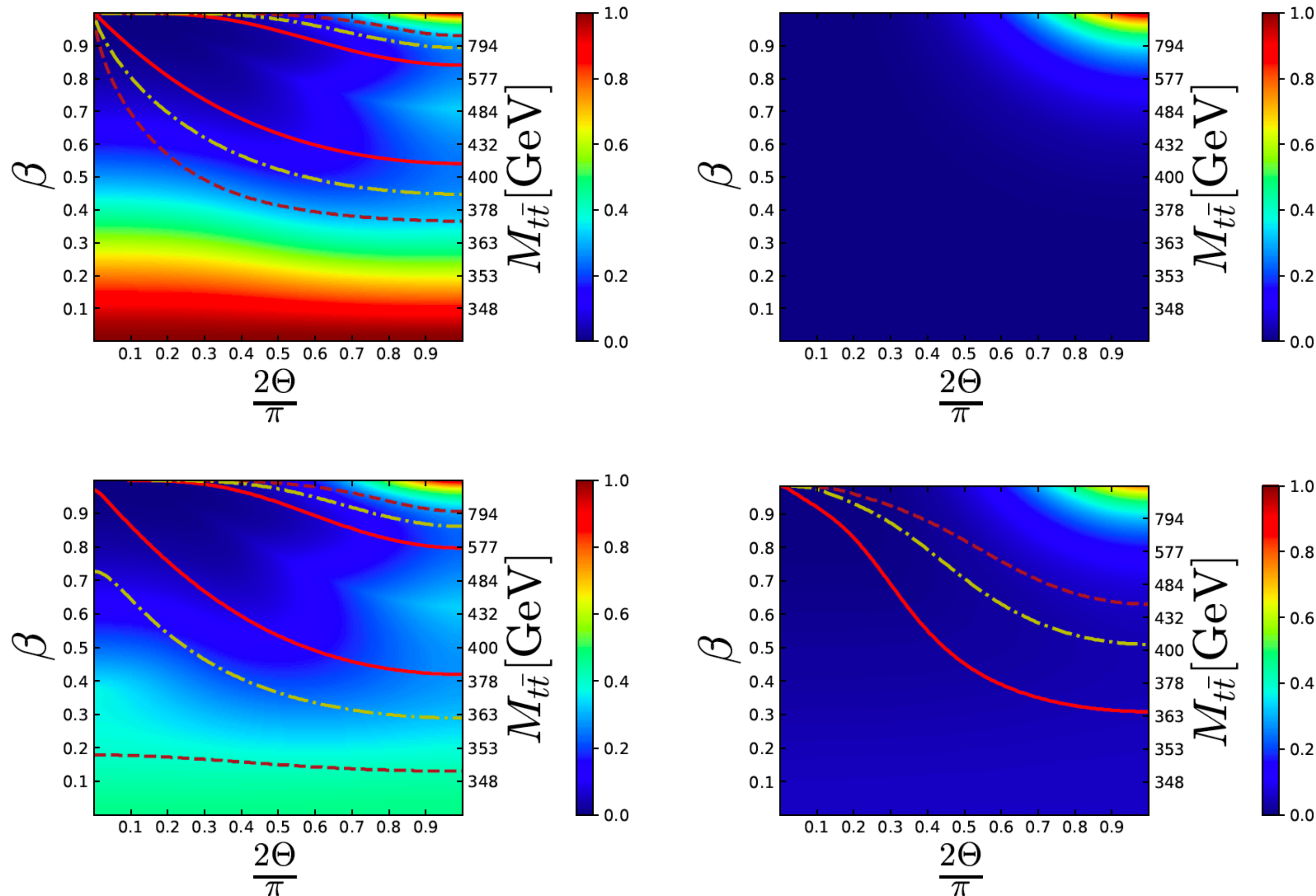


FIG. 2. Quantum discord of the spin density matrix $\rho(M_{t\bar{t}}, \hat{k})$ as a function of the top velocity β and the production angle Θ in the $t\bar{t}$ c.m. frame. All plots are symmetric under $\Theta \rightarrow \pi - \Theta$. Upper left: $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$. Upper right: $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$. Lower left: $t\bar{t}$ production at the LHC for Run 2 c.m. energy, $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV [19]. Lower right: $t\bar{t}$ production at the Tevatron for $\sqrt{s} = 2$ TeV, close to its last-run c.m. energy $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV [15]. Solid red, dashed-dotted yellow, and dashed brown lines are the critical boundaries of separability, steerability, and Bell locality, respectively.

Basics

Bell (CHSH) inequalities : QM

$$|\Phi^\pm\rangle = \frac{|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \pm |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle \otimes |\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\rangle \otimes |\uparrow\rangle)$$

$$A(a) = \hat{S}_x \otimes I$$

$$E(AB) = \langle A(a)B(b) \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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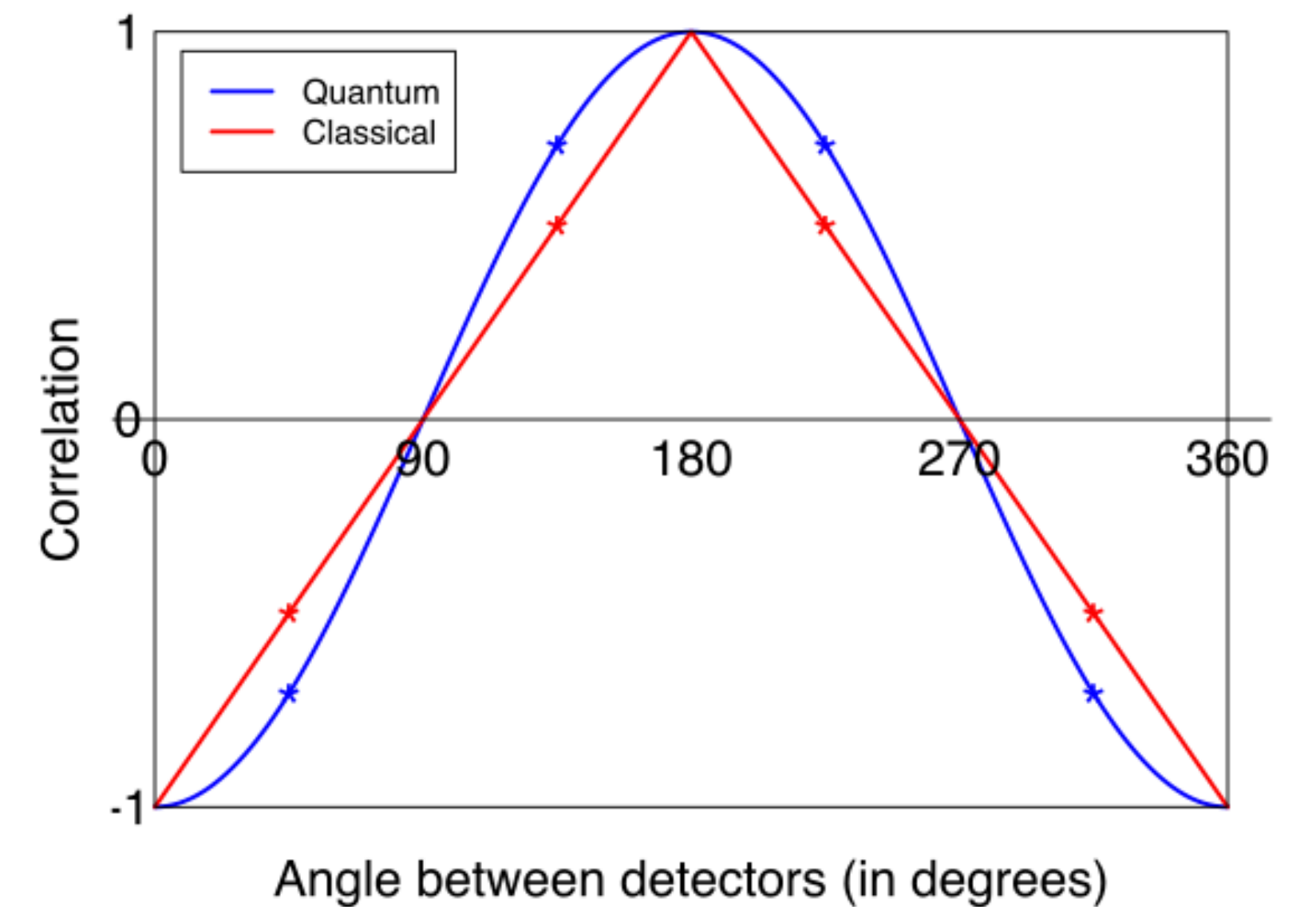
$$B(b) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}I \otimes (\hat{S}_z + \hat{S}_x)$$

$$E(A'B) = \langle A(a')B(b) \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$B(b') = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}I \otimes (\hat{S}_z - \hat{S}_x)$$

$$E(A'B') = \langle A(a')B(b') \rangle = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$E(AB) + E(AB') + E(A'B) - E(A'B') = 2\sqrt{2}$$



Basics

Grading quantum correlations

Entanglement rests on the difference between separable and non-separable states. Is this the boundary of quantum and non-quantum effects?

Quantum discord is an asymmetric measure of nonclassical correlations between two subsystems of a system, based on the difference between two different quantum definitions of mutual information.

Quantum steering (proposed by Schrödinger) differs from entanglement for mixed states and it is also asymmetric (and base dependent).

Bell non-locality needs a strong quantum correlation. For pure states it just amounts to entanglement again.

