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# Testing Bell inequalities in $W$ boson pair production at future $e^+e^-$ colliders

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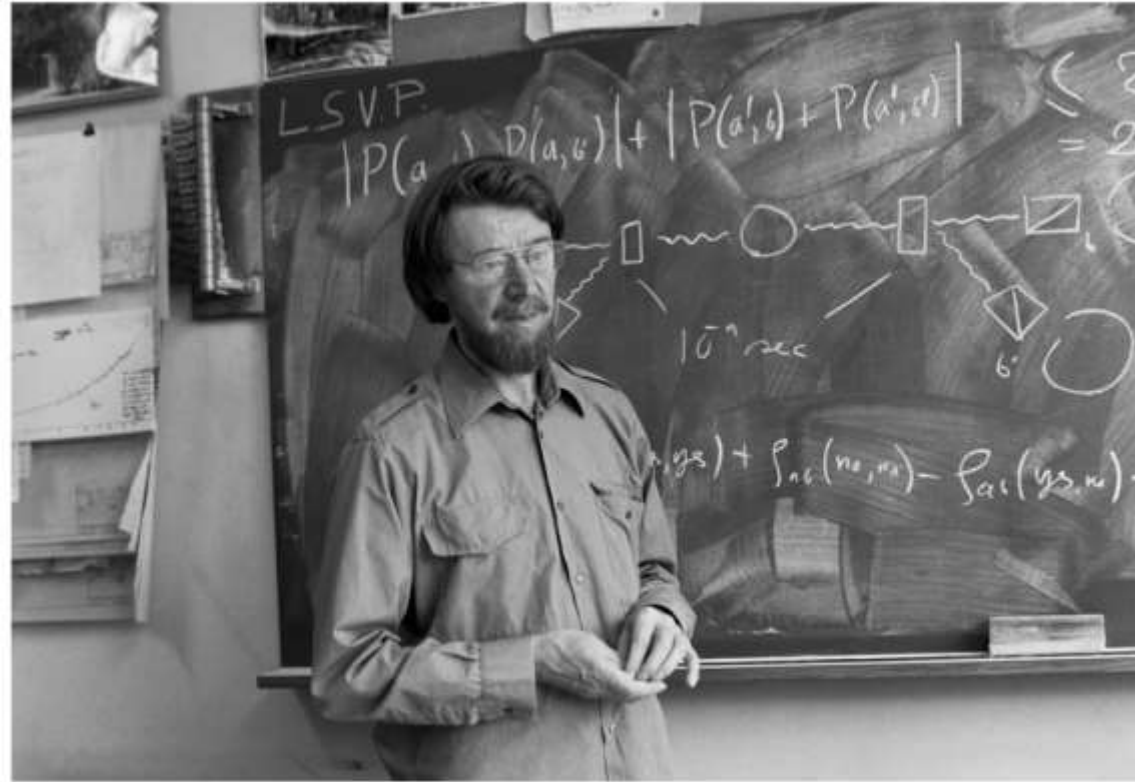
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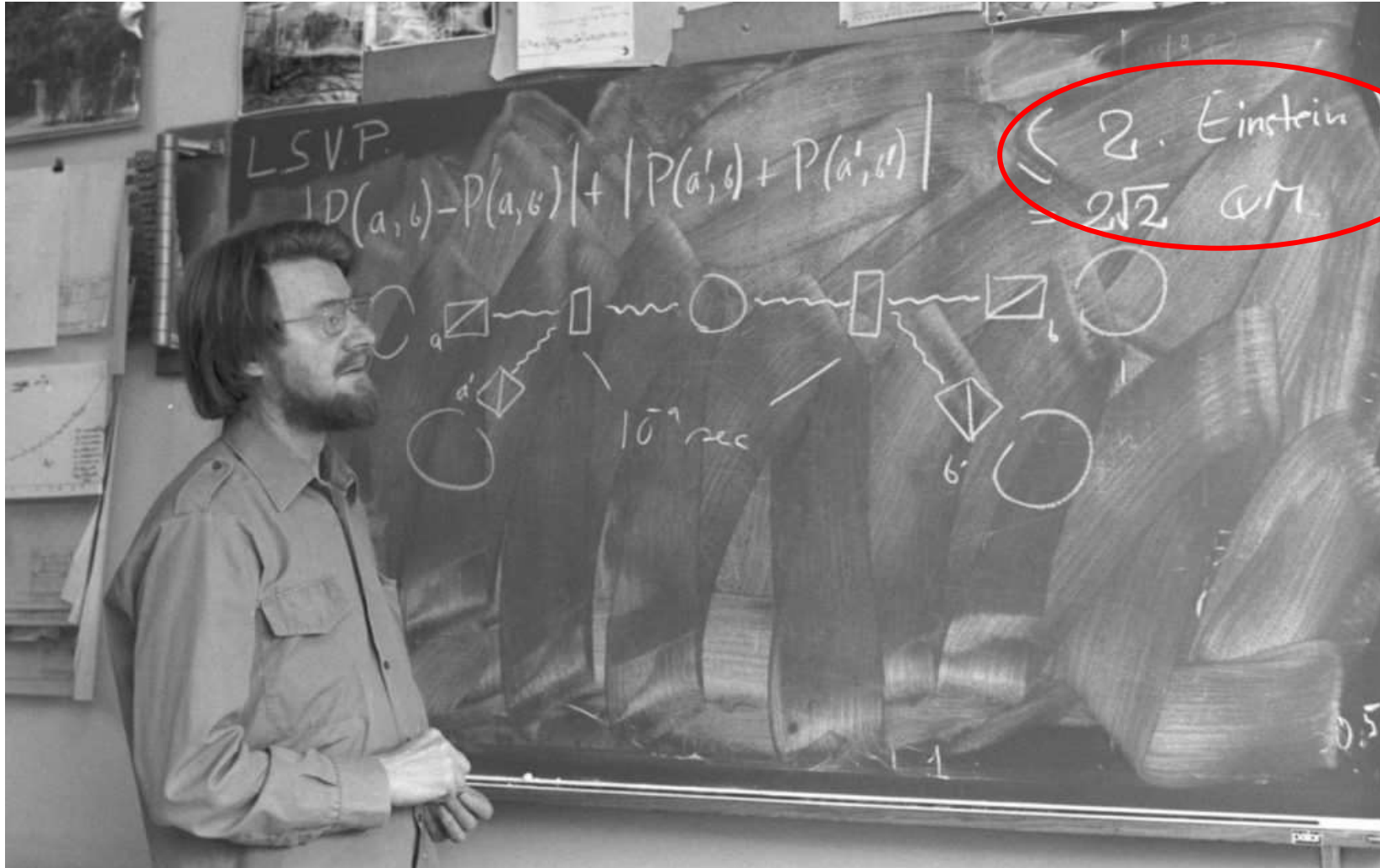
- *Quantum Theory or Realistic Local Theory ?*

➔ Bell inequality



1964: John Bell at CERN sharpened the formulation of the Einstein Podolsky Rosen experiment in terms of Bell inequalities

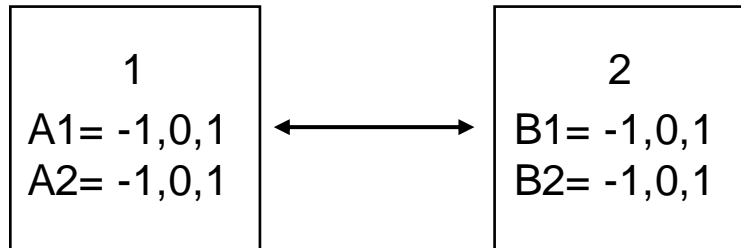
# Bell inequality



deviations of  
QM  
classical physics

# Bell inequality

- The initial state is a mixed state  
➔ (Generalized) Bell inequality



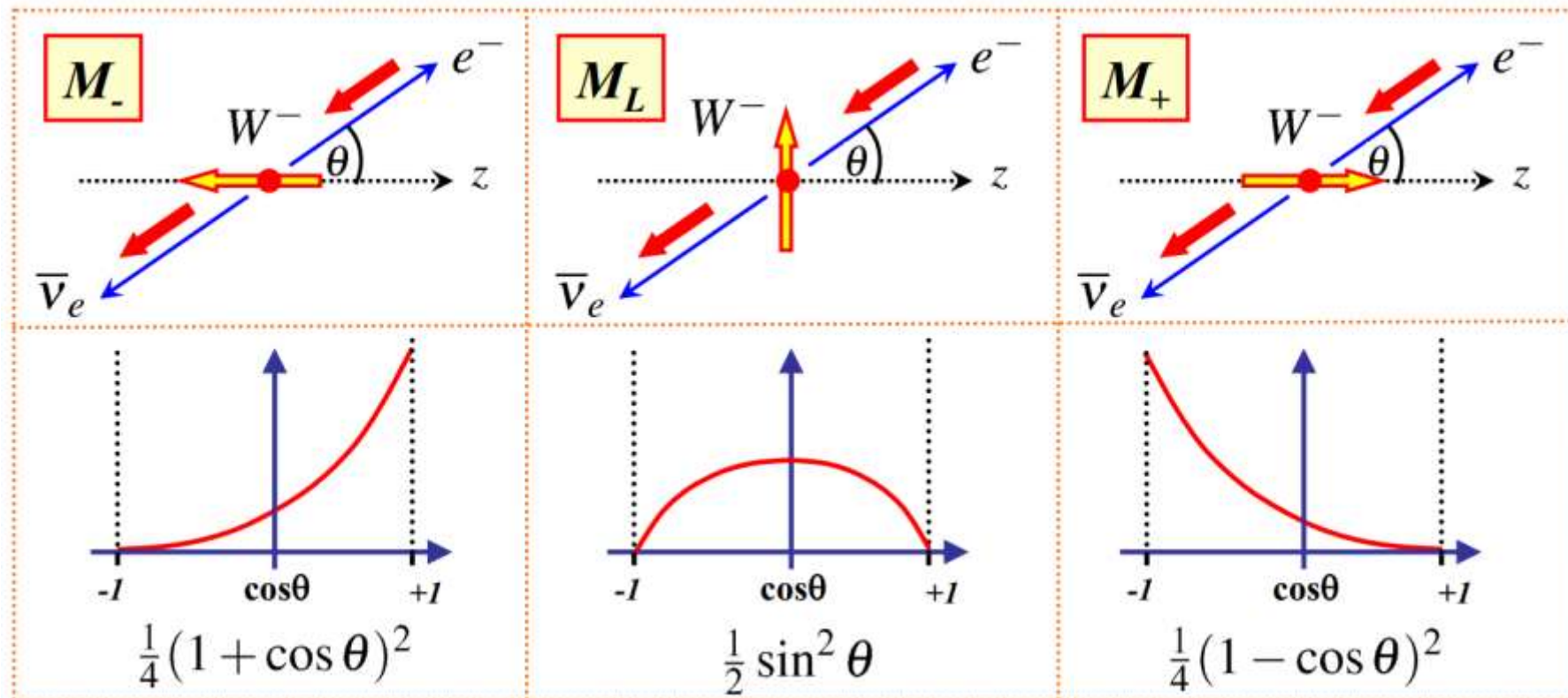
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_3 \equiv & + [P(A_1 = B_1) + P(B_1 = A_2 + 1) \\ & + P(A_2 = B_2) + P(B_2 = A_1)] \\ & - [P(A_1 = B_1 - 1) + P(B_1 = A_2) \\ & + P(A_2 = B_2 - 1) + P(B_2 = A_1 - 1)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\max_{\hat{A}_1, \hat{A}_2, \hat{B}_1, \hat{B}_2} \mathcal{I}_3(\hat{A}_1, \hat{A}_2; \hat{B}_1, \hat{B}_2) > 2$$

Collins-Gisin-Linden-Massar-Popescu (CGLMP) inequality

# The Verification in EW scale

- EW interactions allow for spin reconstruction from decay



# The Verification in EW scale

- The density matrix

$$\hat{\rho}_W = \frac{1}{3} \hat{I}_3 + d^i \hat{S}_i + q^{ij} \hat{S}_{\{ij\}}, \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\rho}_{WW} = & \frac{1}{9} \hat{I}_9 + \frac{1}{3} d_+^i \hat{S}_i^+ \otimes \hat{I}_3 + \frac{1}{3} d_-^i \hat{I}_3 \otimes \hat{S}_i^- \\ & + \frac{1}{3} q_+^{ij} \hat{S}_{\{ij\}}^+ \otimes \hat{I}_3 + \frac{1}{3} q_-^{ij} \hat{I}_3 \otimes \hat{S}_{\{ij\}}^- \\ & + C_d^{ij} \hat{S}_i^+ \otimes \hat{S}_j^- + C_{d,q}^{i,jk} \hat{S}_i^+ \otimes \hat{S}_{\{jk\}}^- \\ & + C_{q,d}^{ij,k} \hat{S}_{\{ij\}}^+ \otimes \hat{S}_k^- + C_q^{ij,kl} \hat{S}_{\{ij\}}^+ \otimes \hat{S}_{\{kl\}}^- \end{aligned}$$



# The Verification in EW scale

- The probability in Bell inequality

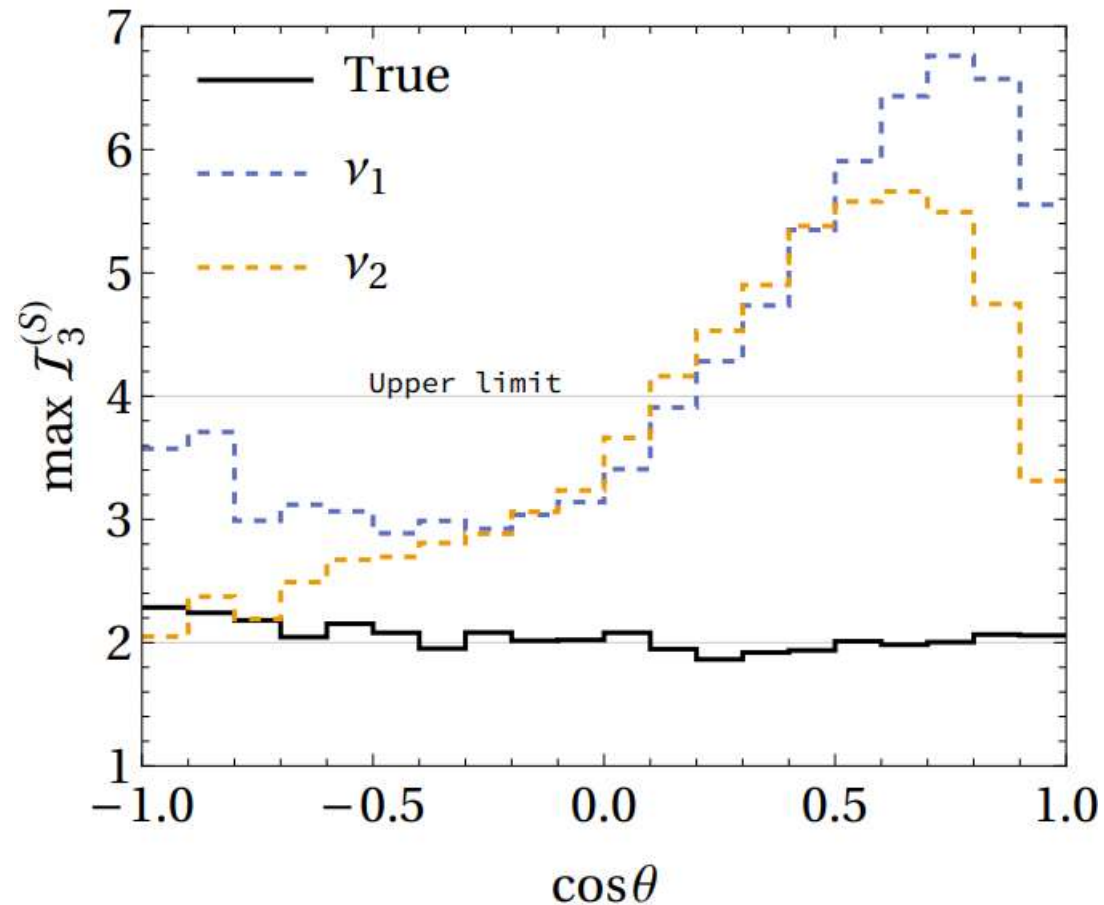
$$P(\vec{n}, \vec{n}'; \rho_{WW}) = \text{Tr} \left[ \hat{\rho}_{WW} \hat{\Pi}_{\vec{n}} \otimes \hat{\Pi}_{\vec{n}'} \right]$$

- Projection operators of the spin eigenstates:

$$\hat{\Pi}_{\vec{n}} = \frac{1}{2}(\hat{S}_{\vec{n}} + \hat{S}_{\vec{n}}^2)$$

# WW production at Higgs factory

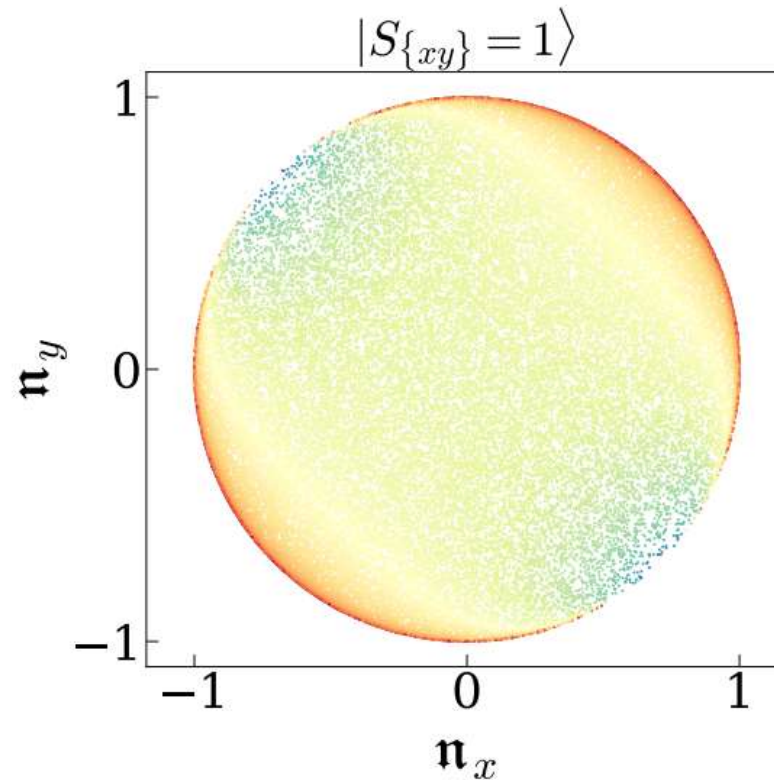
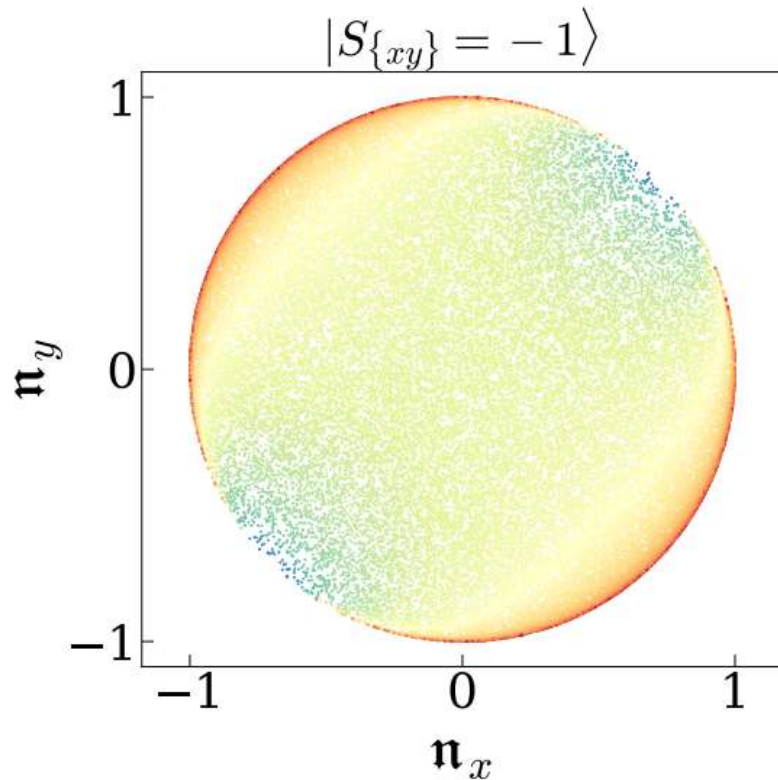
- Collider phenomenology
  - di-lepton decay mode  $\rightarrow$  twofold discrete ambiguity





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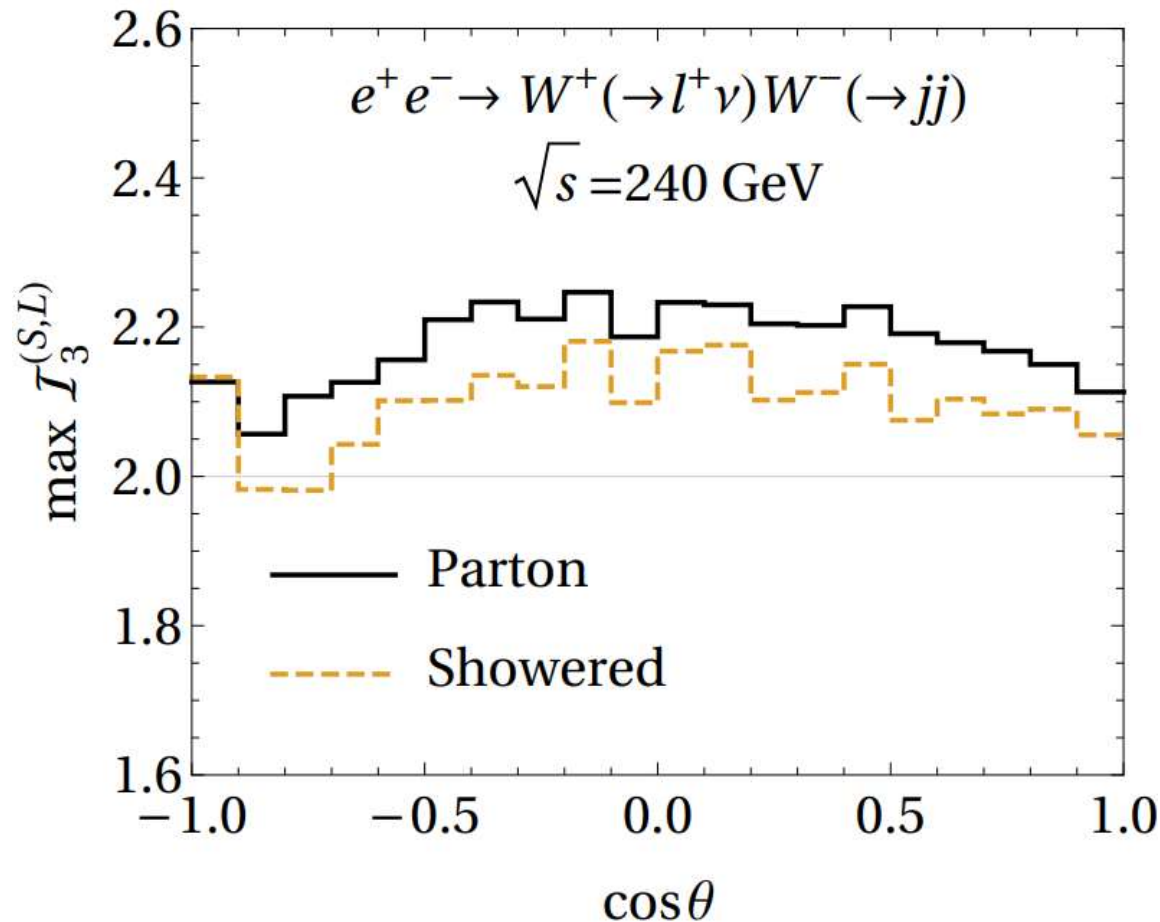
- Collider phenomenology: semi-leptonic decay mode
- Circular polarization  $\rightarrow$  linear polarization



$$\hat{\Pi}_{\mathbf{n}} = \hat{I}_3 - \hat{S}_{\mathbf{n}}^2$$

# WW production at Higgs factory

- Collider phenomenology: semi-leptonic decay mode



At 240GeV  $e^+e^-$  collider, one can verify the violation of the Bell inequality at  $5.0\sigma$  significance with  $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity.

# Summary

- We provide an approach to test Bell inequalities in  $W$  pair systems using a new set of Bell observables based on measuring the linear polarization of  $W$  bosons.
- Our observables depend on only part of the density matrix that can be correctly measured in the **semi-leptonic decay** mode of  $W$ .
- It is still an open question to testing the entanglement in an essential QFT system (beyond quantum mechanism).

*Thank you !*

# Backup

# Parameter reconstruction

$$\langle \mathbf{n}_i^\pm \rangle = d_i^\pm,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{q}_{ij}^\pm \rangle = \frac{2}{5} q_{ij}^\pm,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{n}_i^+ \mathbf{n}_j^- \rangle = C_{ij}^d,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{q}_{ij}^+ \mathbf{q}_{kl}^- \rangle = \frac{4}{25} C_{ij,kl}^q,$$

$$\langle \mathbf{n}_i^+ \mathbf{q}_{jk}^- \rangle = \frac{2}{5} C_{i,jk}^{dq},$$

$$\langle \mathbf{q}_{ij}^+ \mathbf{n}_k^- \rangle = \frac{2}{5} C_{ij,k}^{qd}.$$

# Explicit form of I3

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{I}_3(\hat{S}_{\vec{a}_1}, \hat{S}_{\vec{a}_2}; \hat{S}_{\{x_3 y_3\}}, \hat{S}_{\{x_4 y_4\}}) \\ &= 2q_{ij}^-(\omega_{1i}\omega_{1j} + \omega_{2i}\omega_{2j} - 2\omega_{3i}\omega_{3j}) \\ &+ 2C_{i,jk}^{dq} a_{1i} (2\epsilon_{1j}\epsilon_{1k} - \epsilon_{2j}\epsilon_{2k} - \epsilon_{3j}\epsilon_{3k} + \omega_{1j}\omega_{1k} \\ &\quad - 2\omega_{2j}\omega_{2k} + \omega_{3j}\omega_{3k}) \\ &+ 2C_{i,jk}^{dq} a_{2i} (-2\epsilon_{1j}\epsilon_{1k} + \epsilon_{2j}\epsilon_{2k} + \epsilon_{3j}\epsilon_{3k} + 2\omega_{1j}\omega_{1k} \\ &\quad - \omega_{2j}\omega_{2k} - \omega_{3j}\omega_{3k}) \\ &+ 6C_{ij,kl}^q a_{1i} a_{1j} (-\epsilon_{2k}\epsilon_{2l} + \epsilon_{3k}\epsilon_{3l} - \omega_{1k}\omega_{1l} + \omega_{3k}\omega_{3l}) \\ &+ 6C_{ij,kl}^q a_{2i} a_{2j} (\epsilon_{2k}\epsilon_{2l} - \epsilon_{3k}\epsilon_{3l} - \omega_{2k}\omega_{2l} + \omega_{3k}\omega_{3l}) \end{aligned}$$



# Density matrix

- The density matrix

$$\hat{\rho}_{WW} \propto \mathcal{M}(e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-) \hat{\rho}_{e^+e^-} \mathcal{M}(e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-)^\dagger$$

9×4 matrix in spin space

spin density matrix of the initial state  $e^+e^-$

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