

How Parity Violation Affects Quantum Entanglement and Bell Nonlocality?

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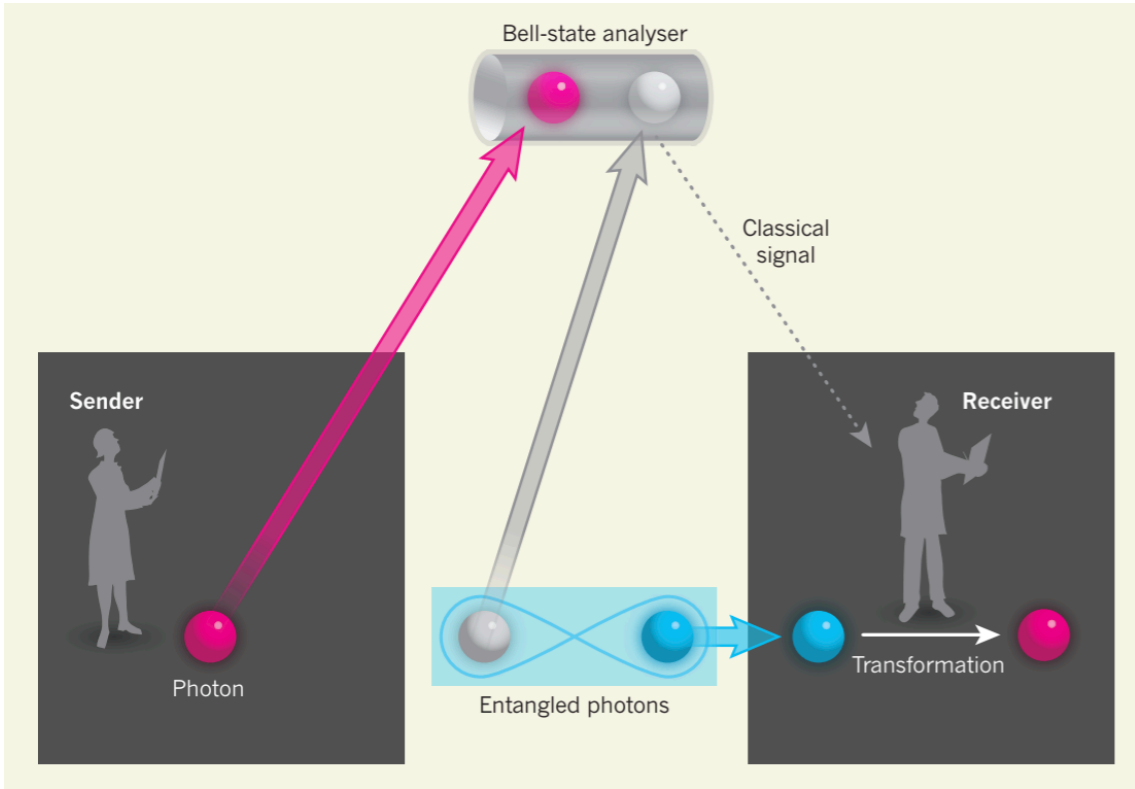
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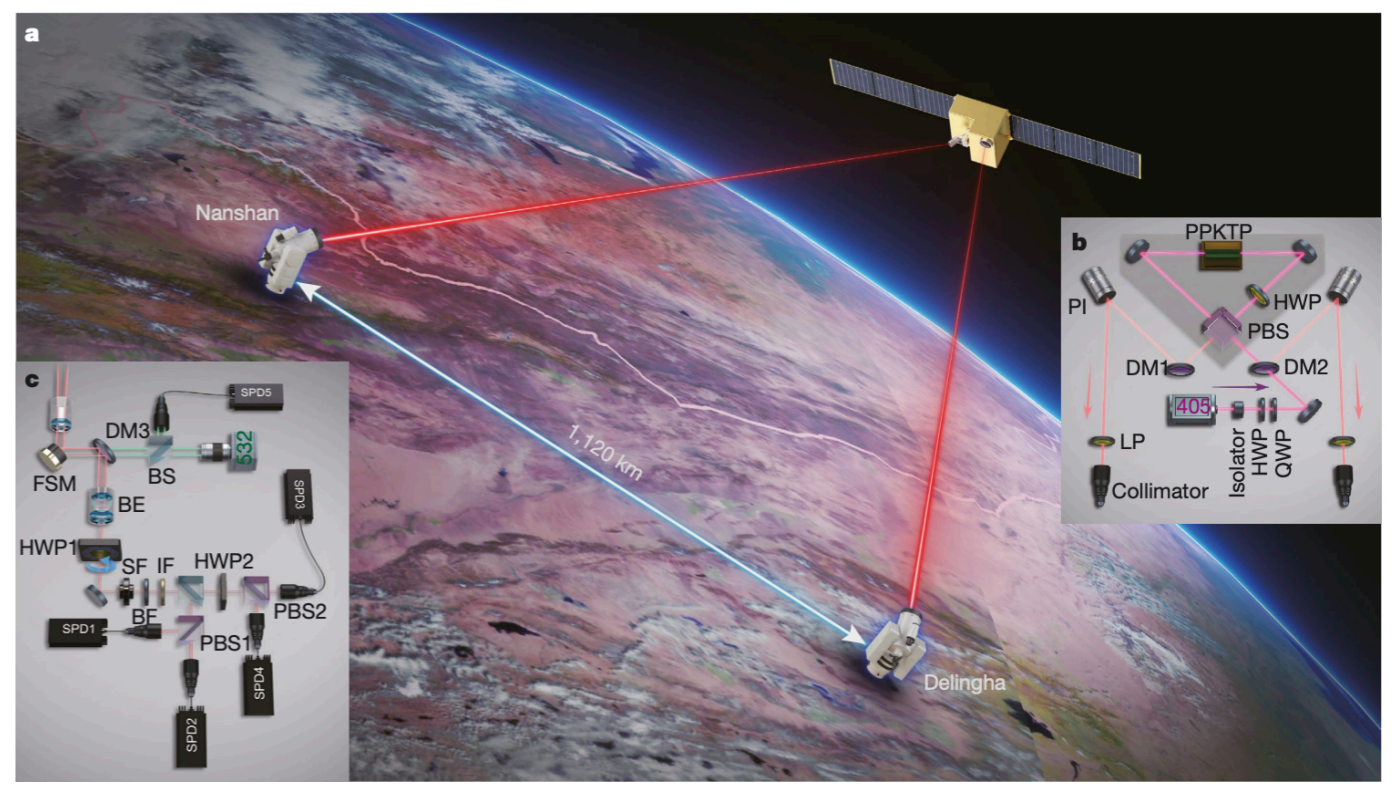
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Quantum teleportation with entangled photons



Gisin, Nature, 2017

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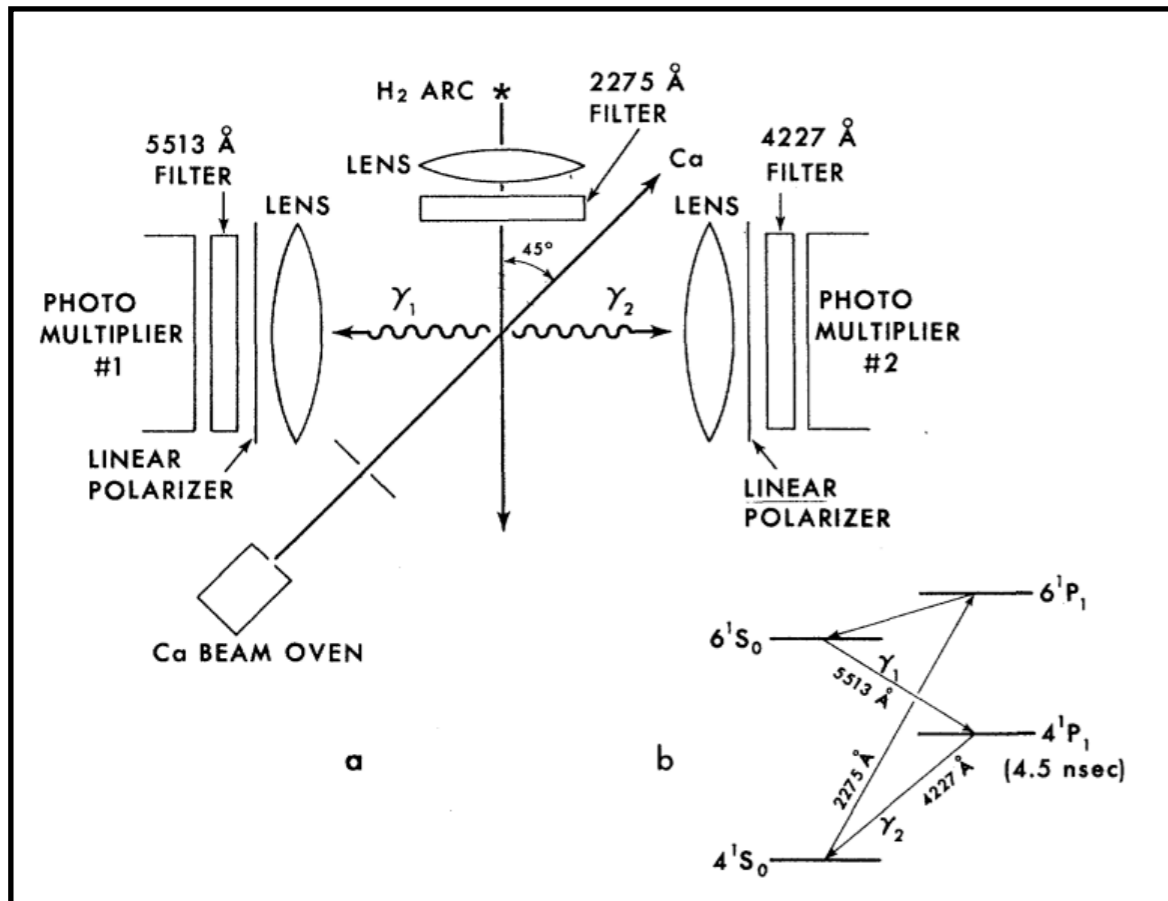


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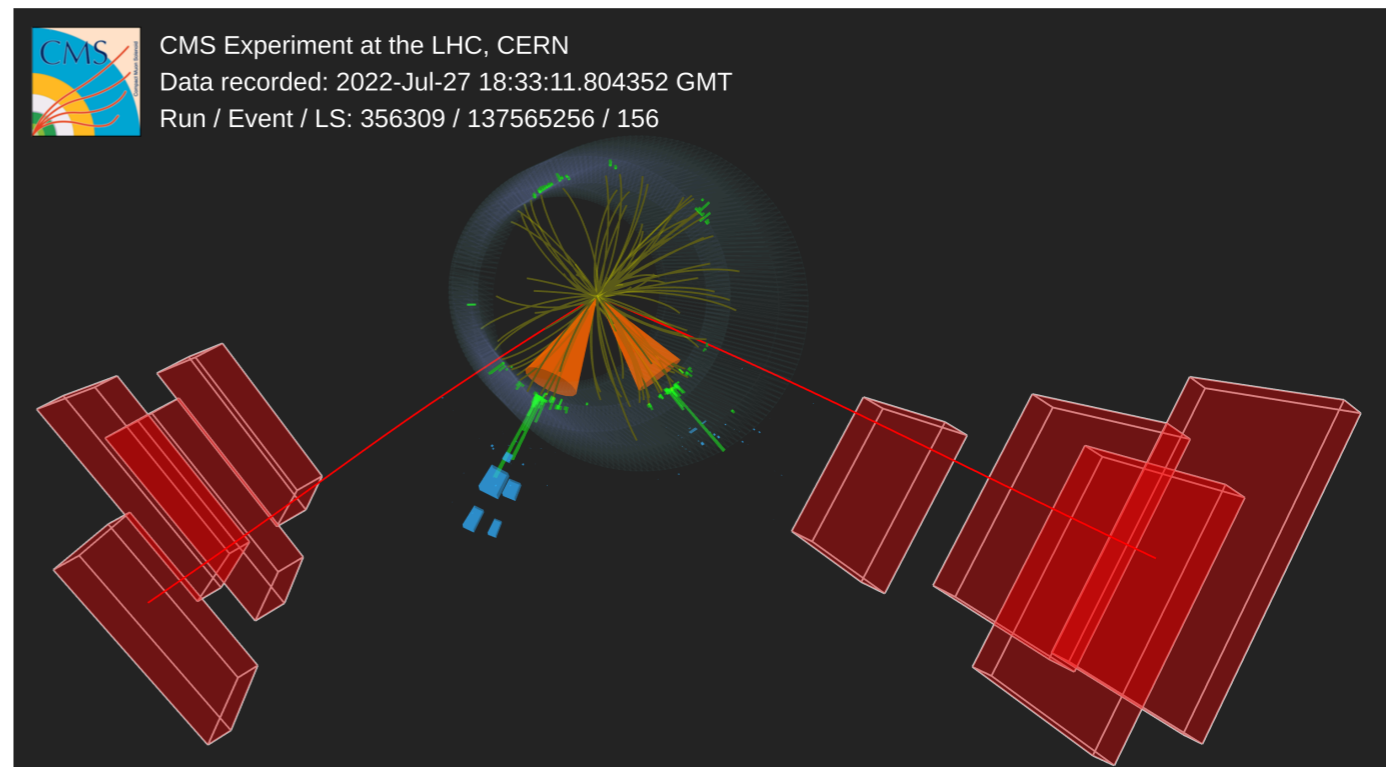
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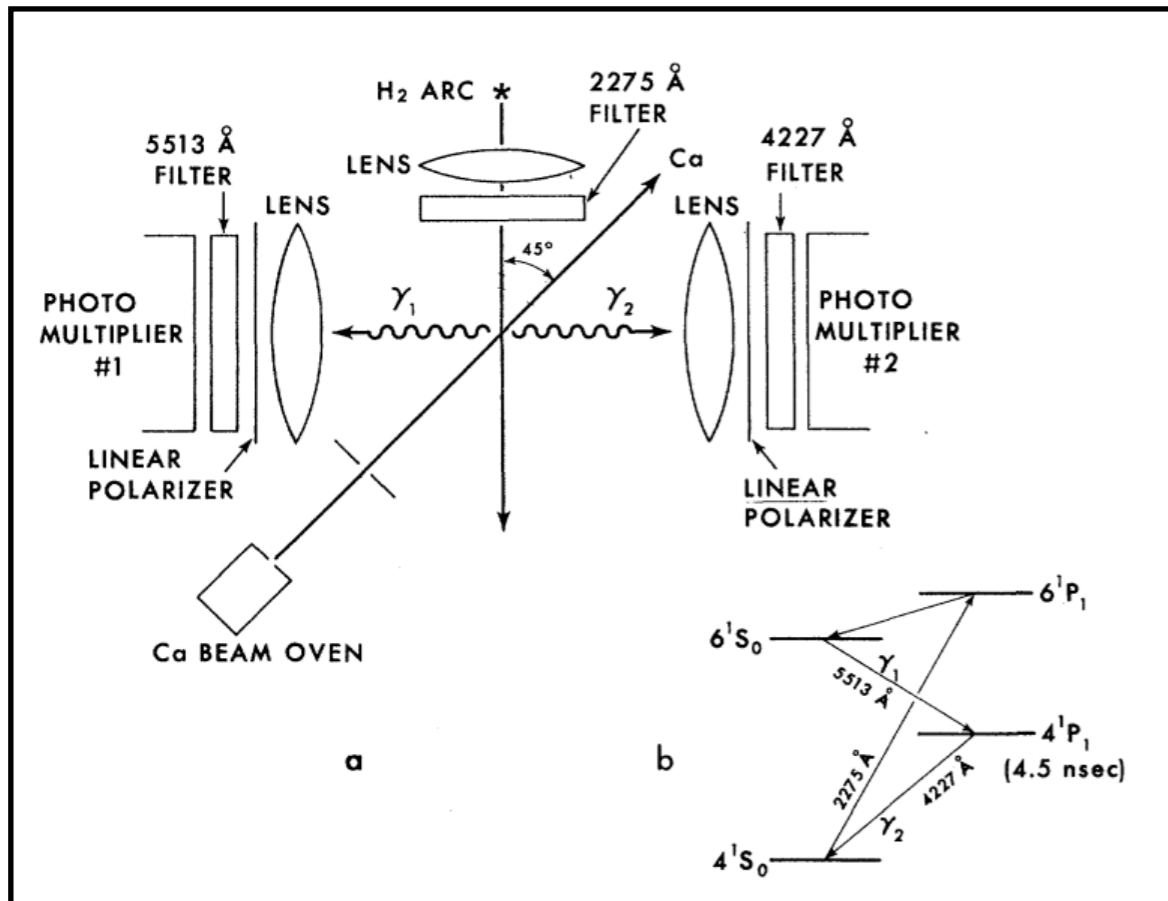


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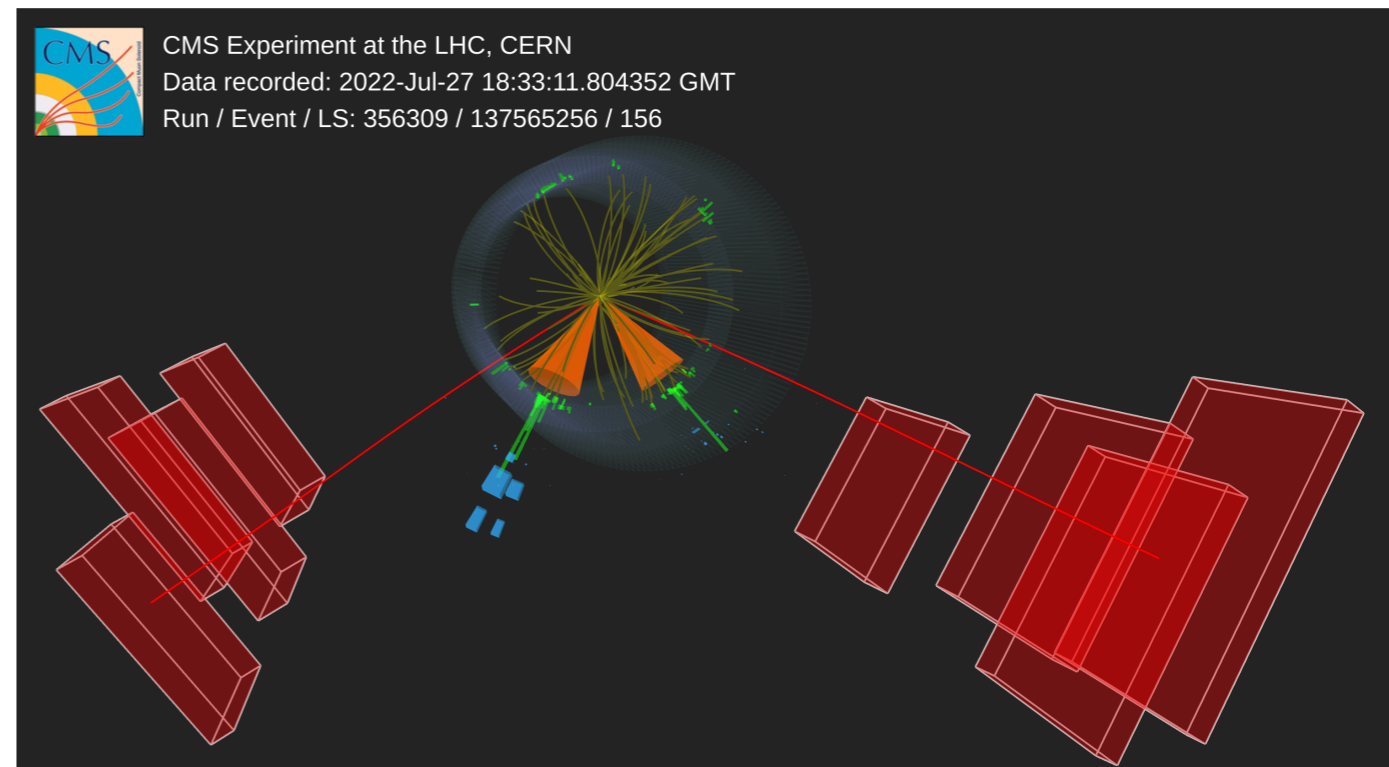
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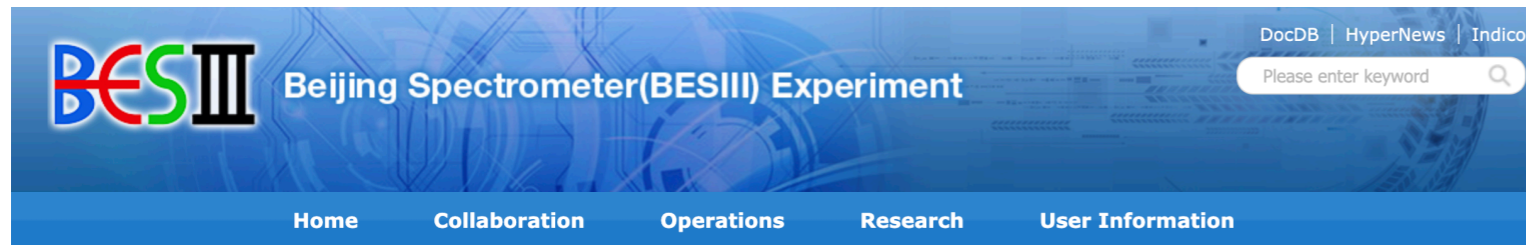


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The challenges lie in performing a loophole free test, and now there are well-established methods for that. *Luminosity will probably be the key ingredient as we'll see later.*

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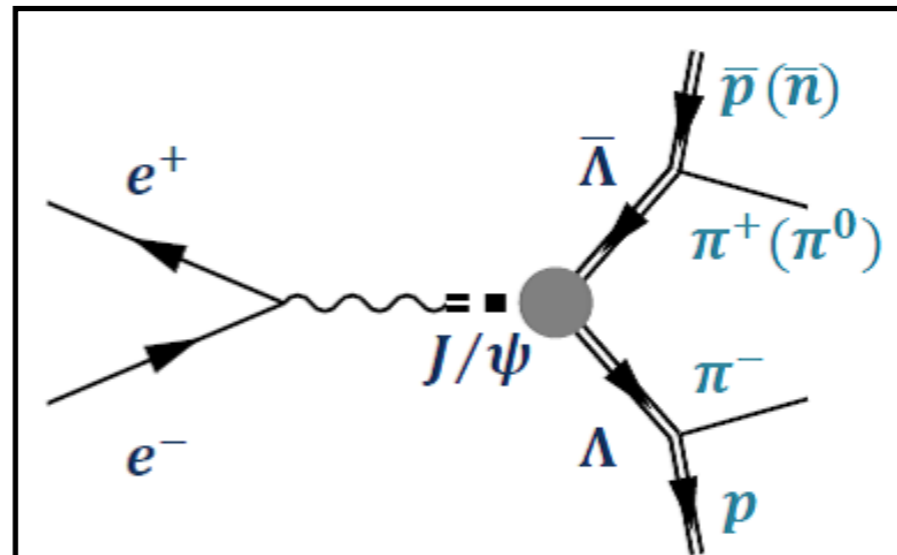
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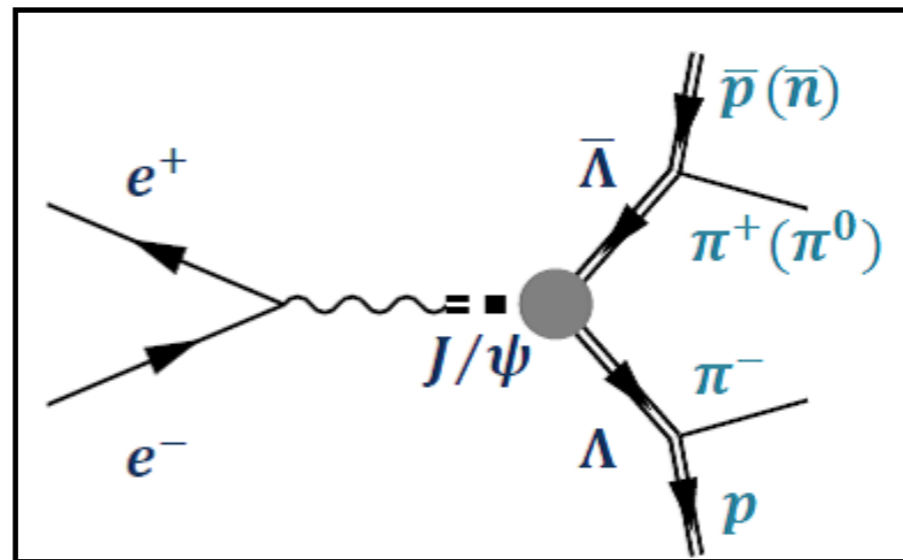


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Spin correlation

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_k d\Omega_p d\Omega_{\bar{p}}} \propto \text{Tr} \left[\rho \left(1 + \alpha s_1 \cdot \hat{l}_p \right) \left(1 - \bar{\alpha} s_2 \cdot \hat{l}_{\bar{p}} \right) \right]$$

Equally applies to LHC, CEPC, FCC-ee ($e^+e^-/pp \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-/t\bar{t}$ for instance)!

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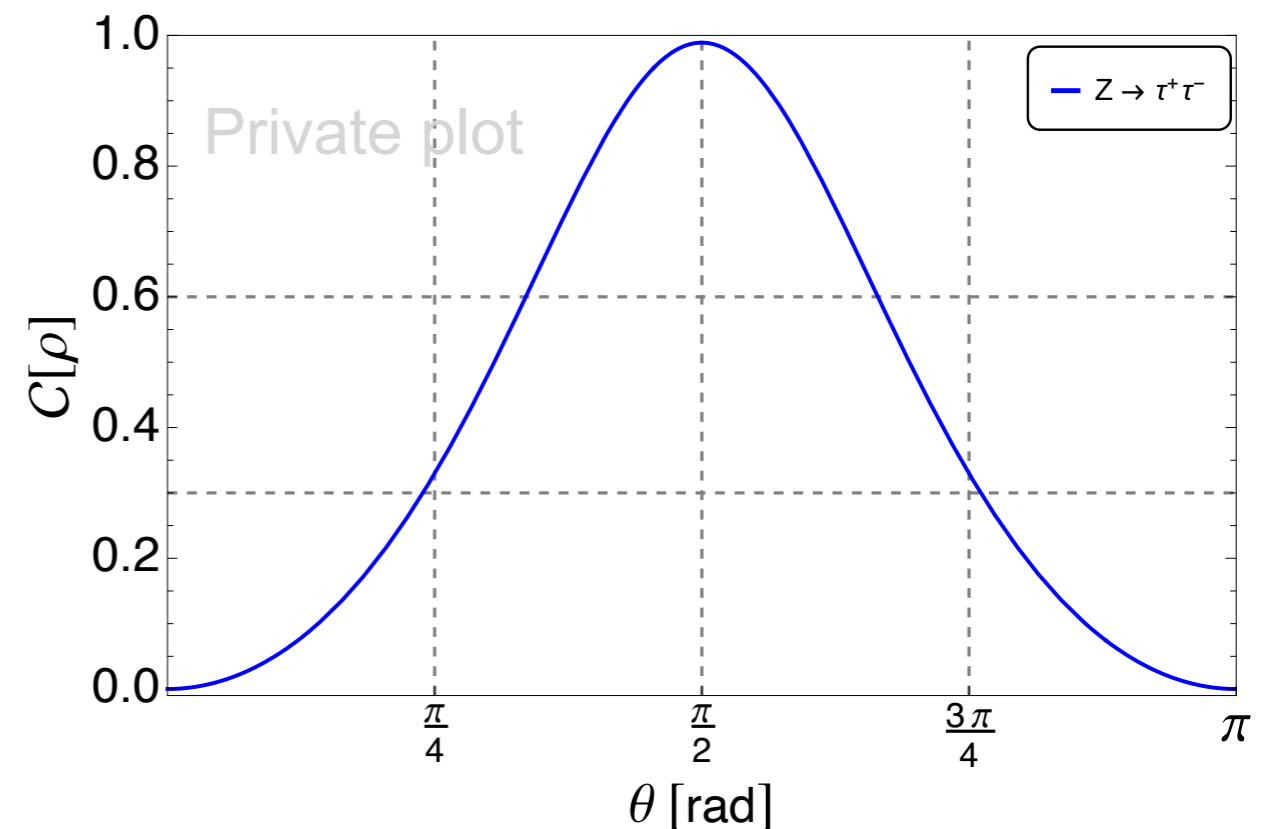
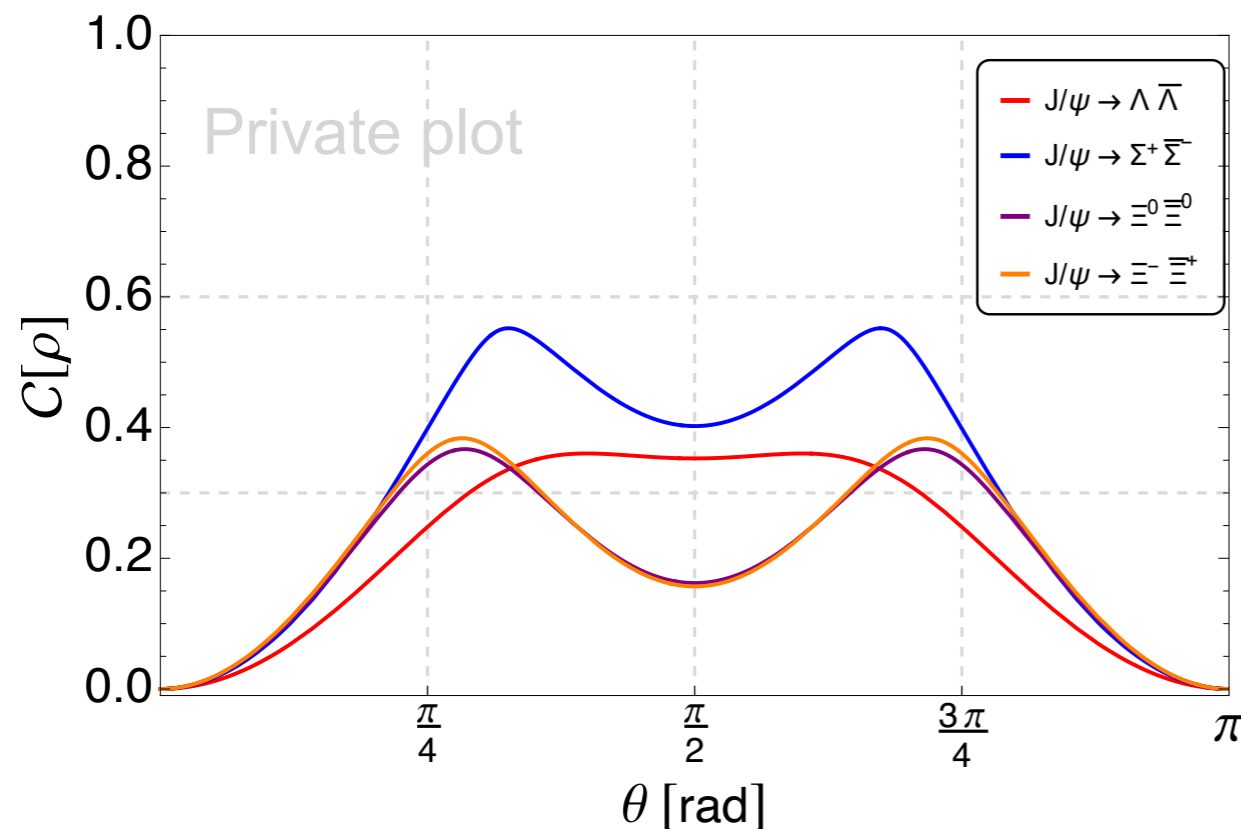
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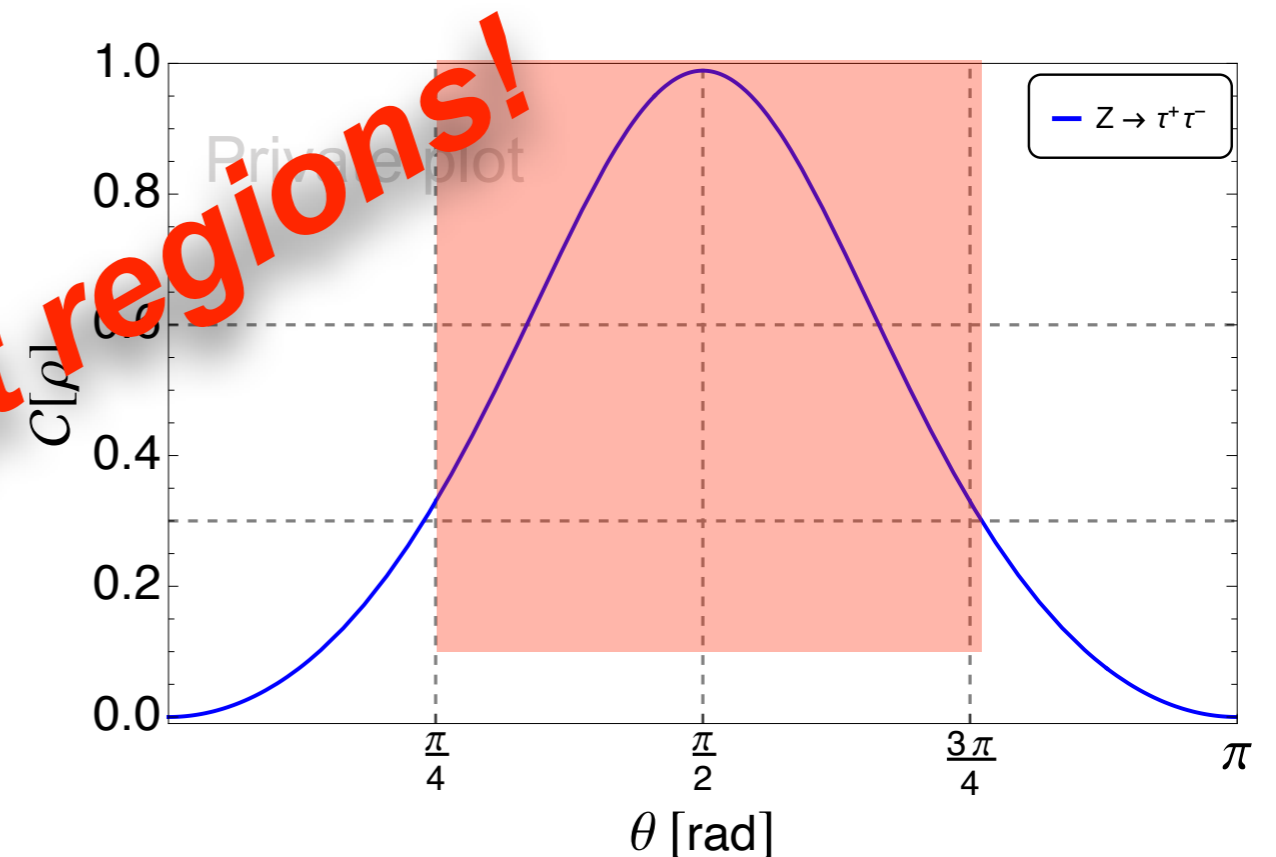
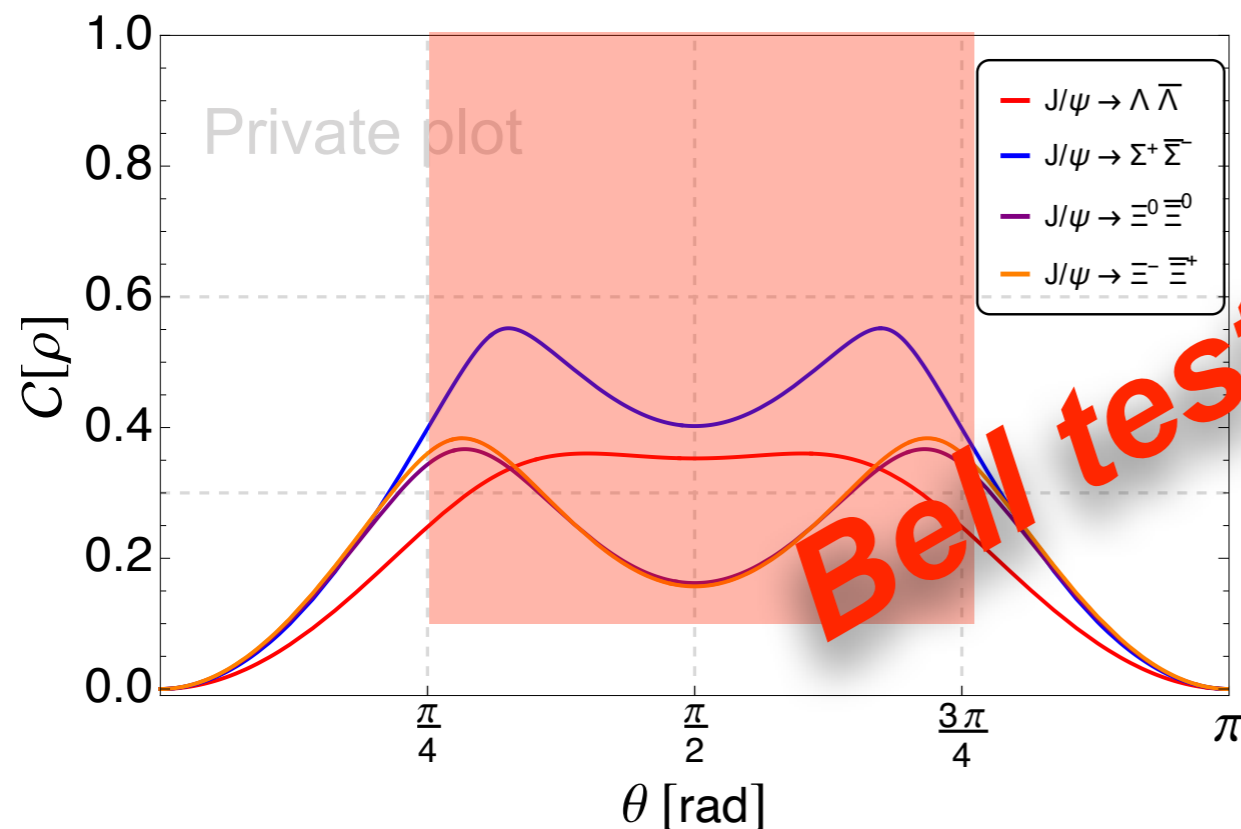
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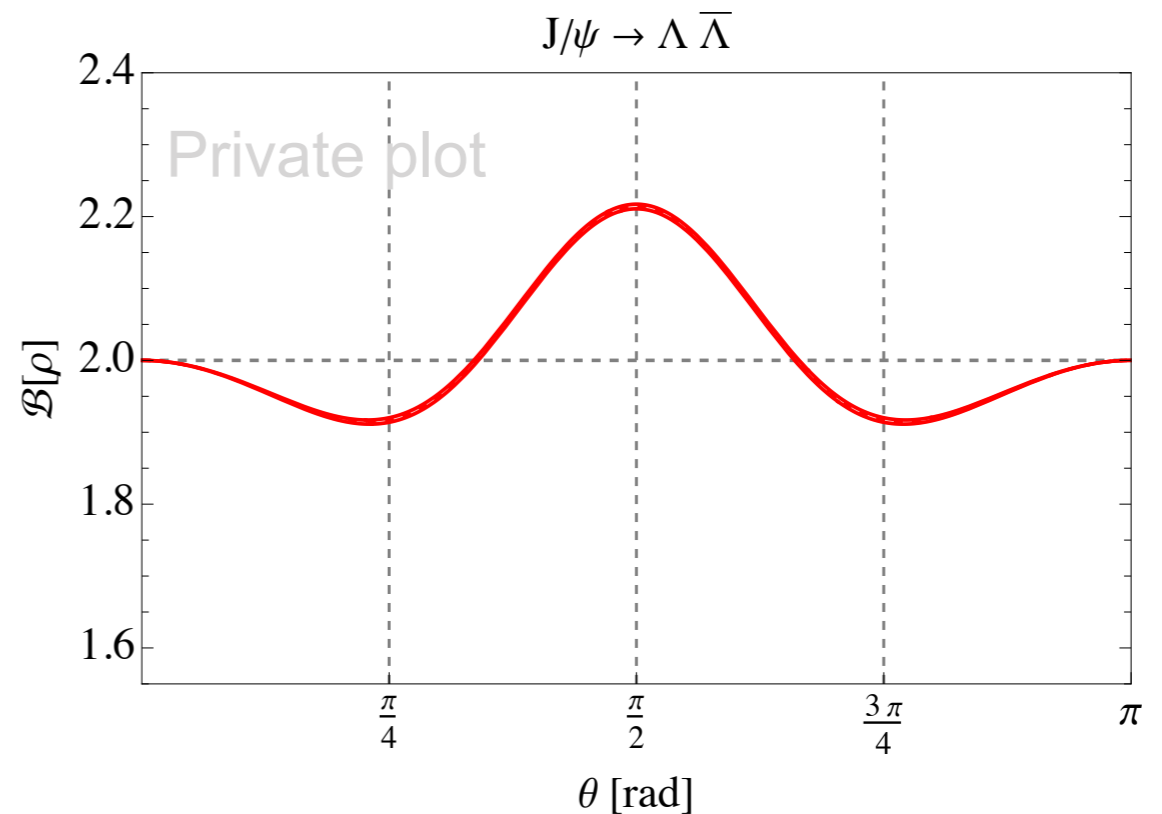
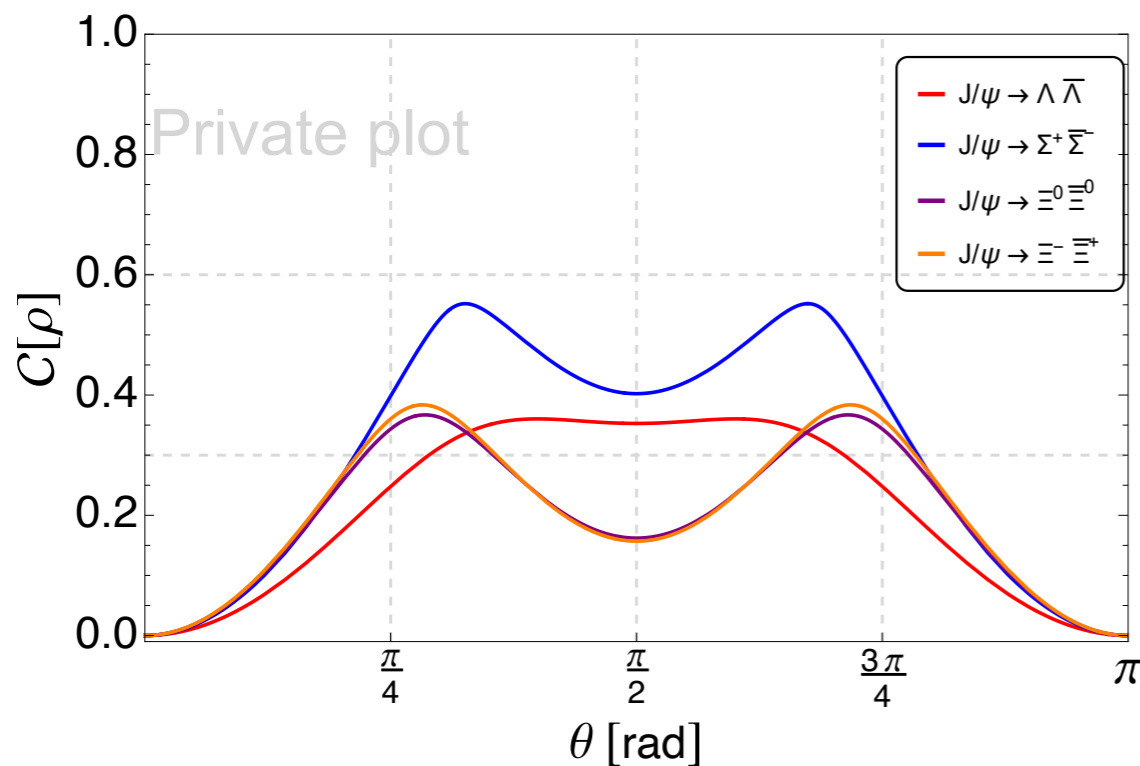
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See also Wu et al, [2406.16298](#)

Quantum entanglement \supset Bell inequality violation

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Q2: What are our targets?

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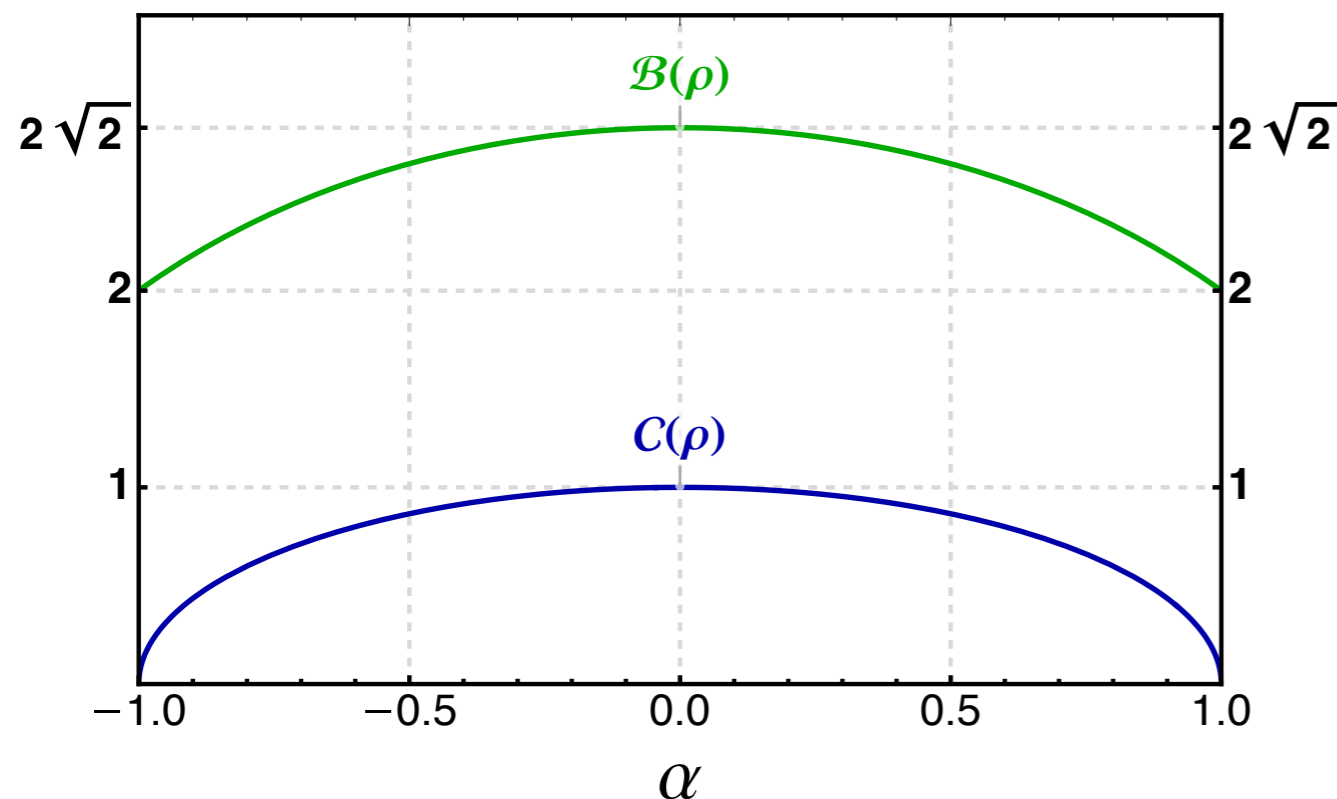
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$$\alpha = \frac{2\text{Re}(S^*P)}{|S|^2 + |P|^2}$$

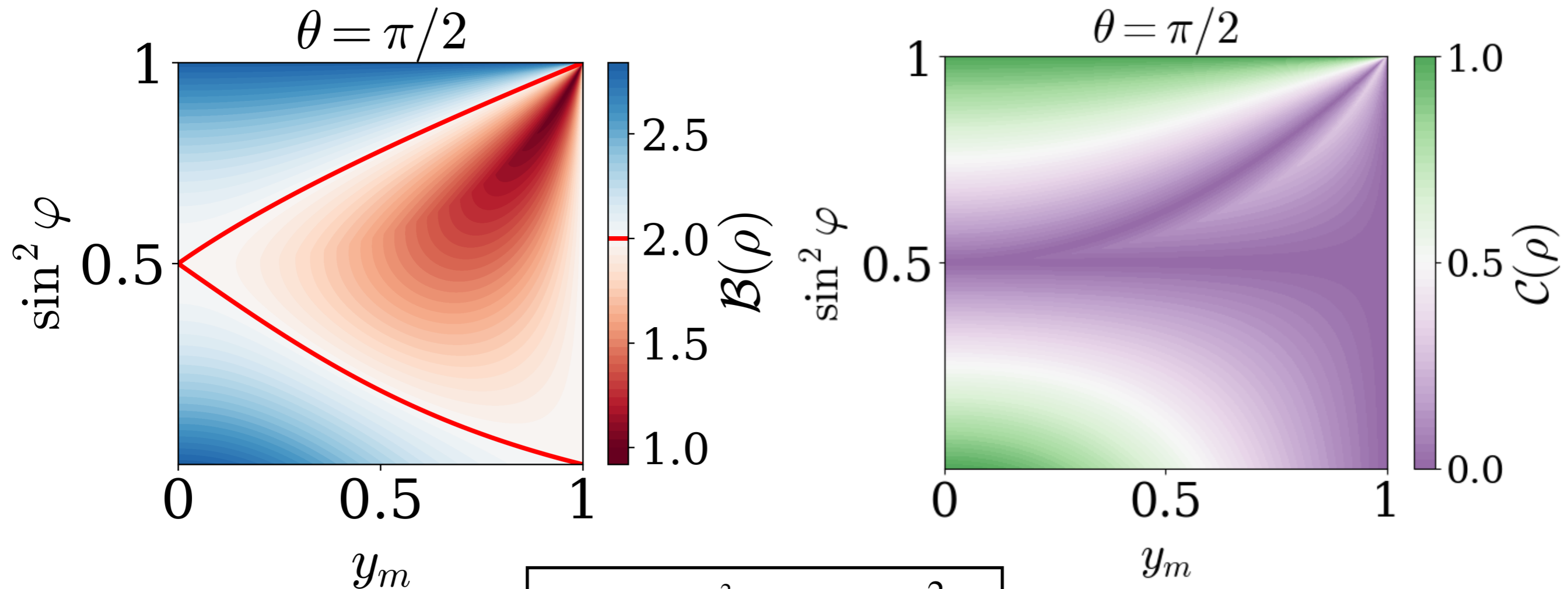
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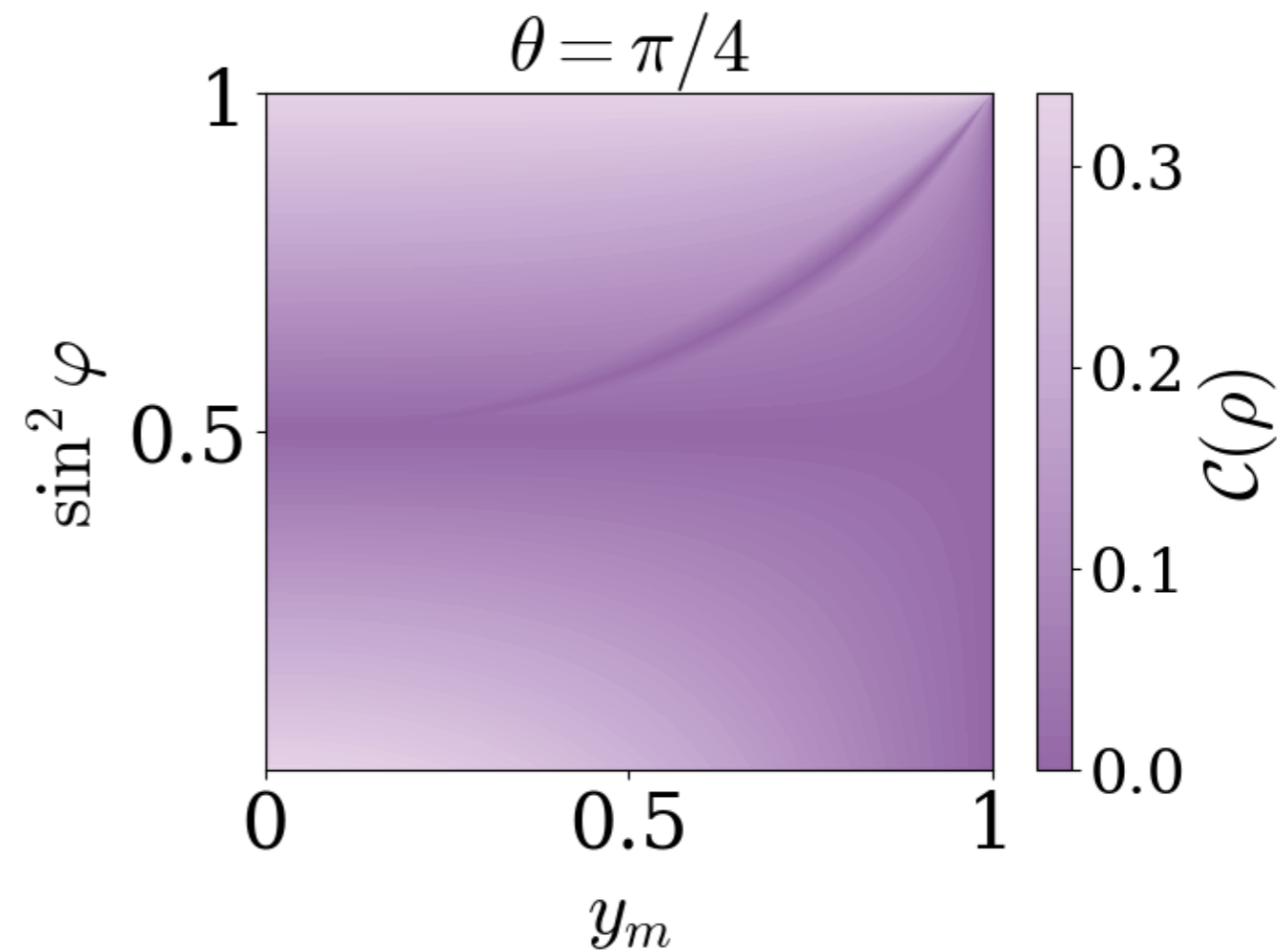
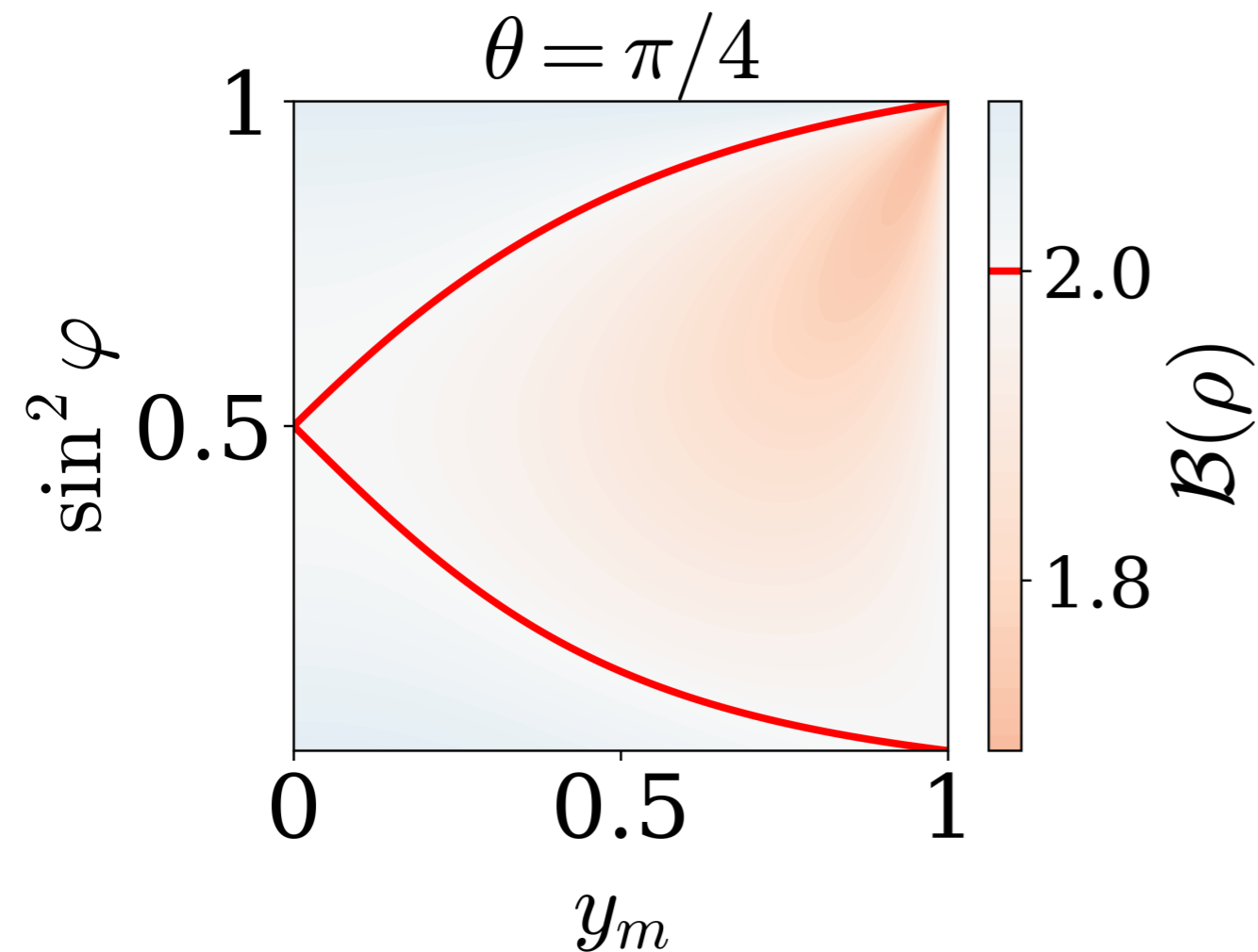
$$\sin^2 \varphi = \frac{F_A^2}{F_A^2 + F_V^2} \quad y_m = \frac{2m_f}{m_V}$$

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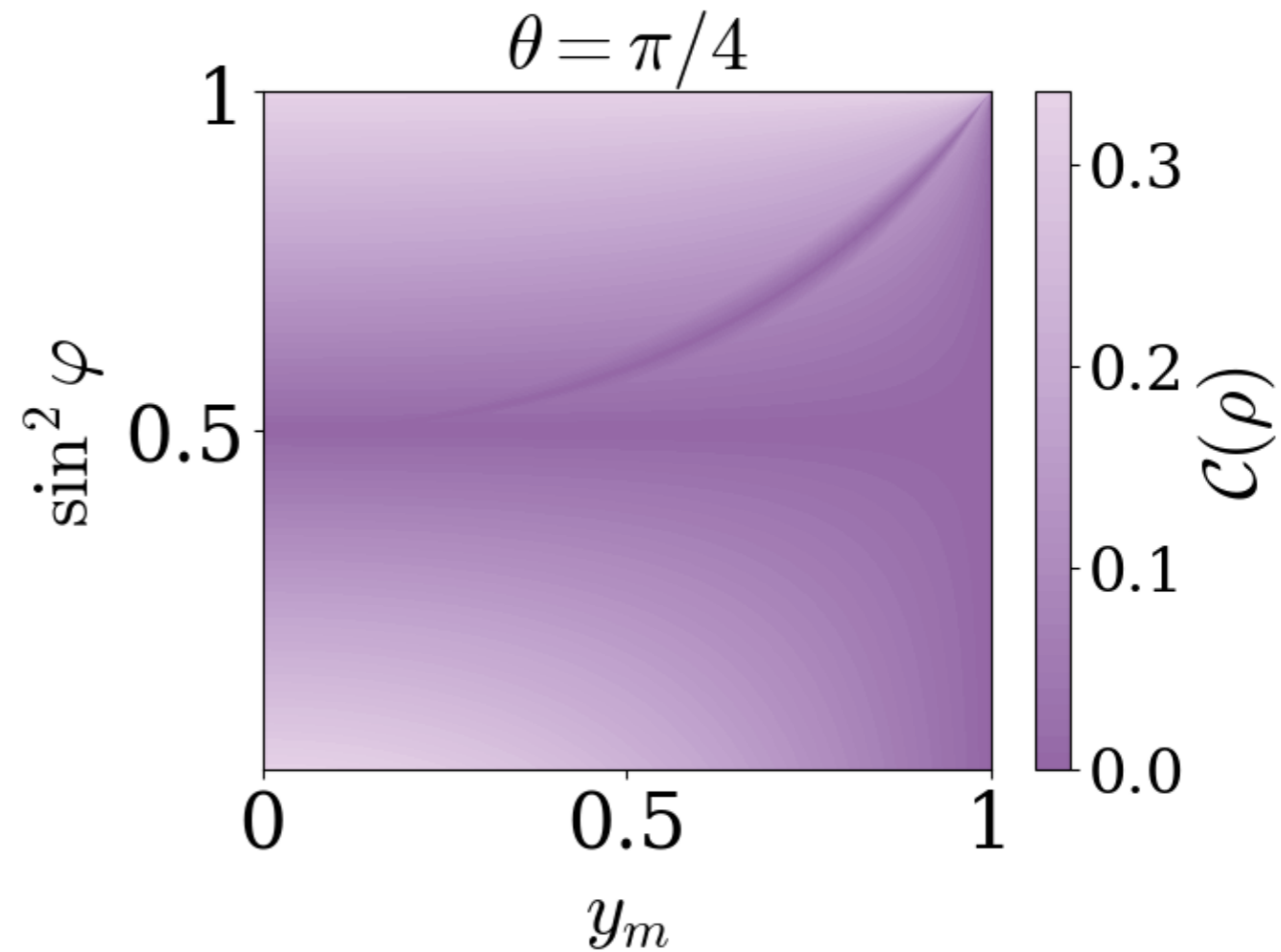
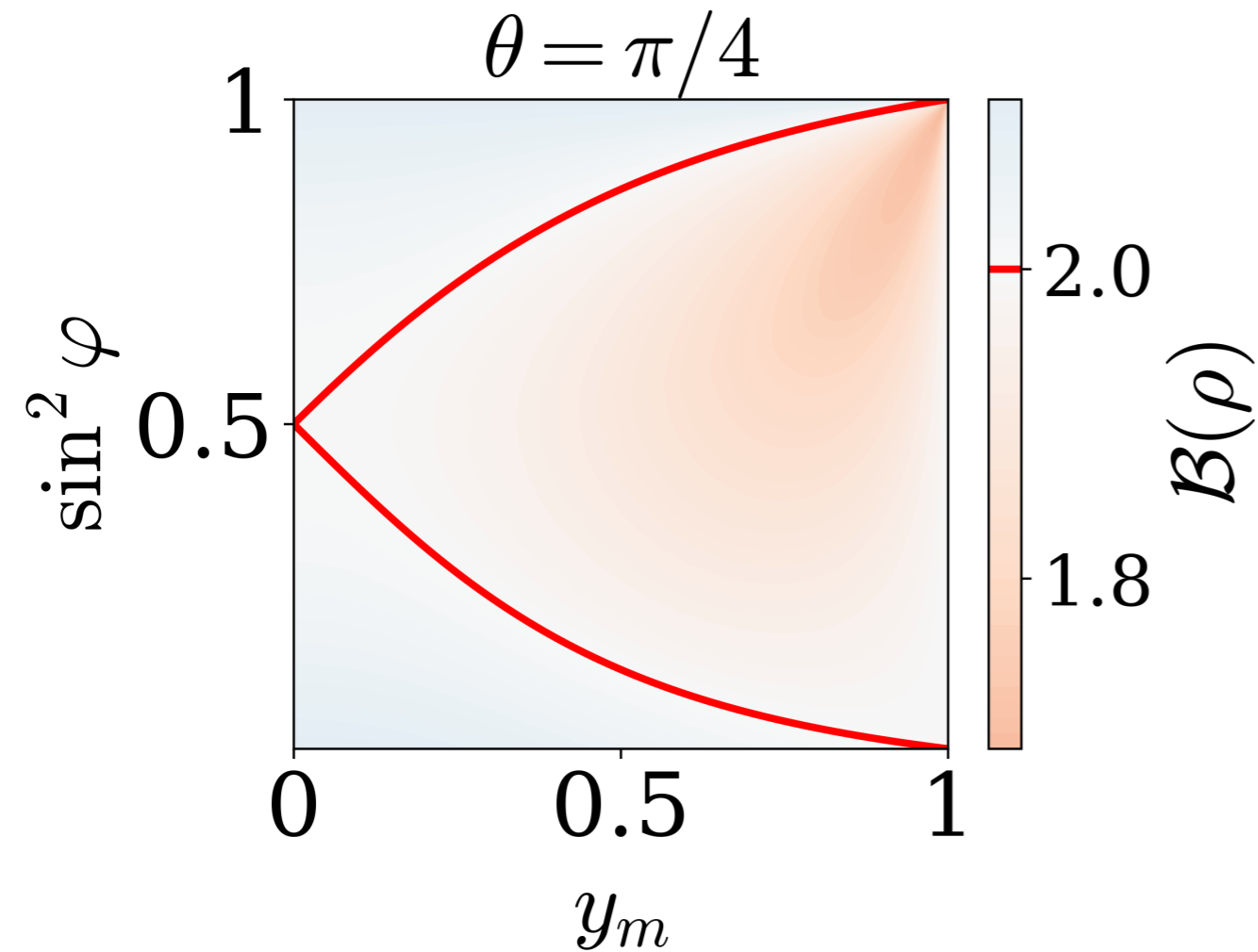


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Stat. improvement!

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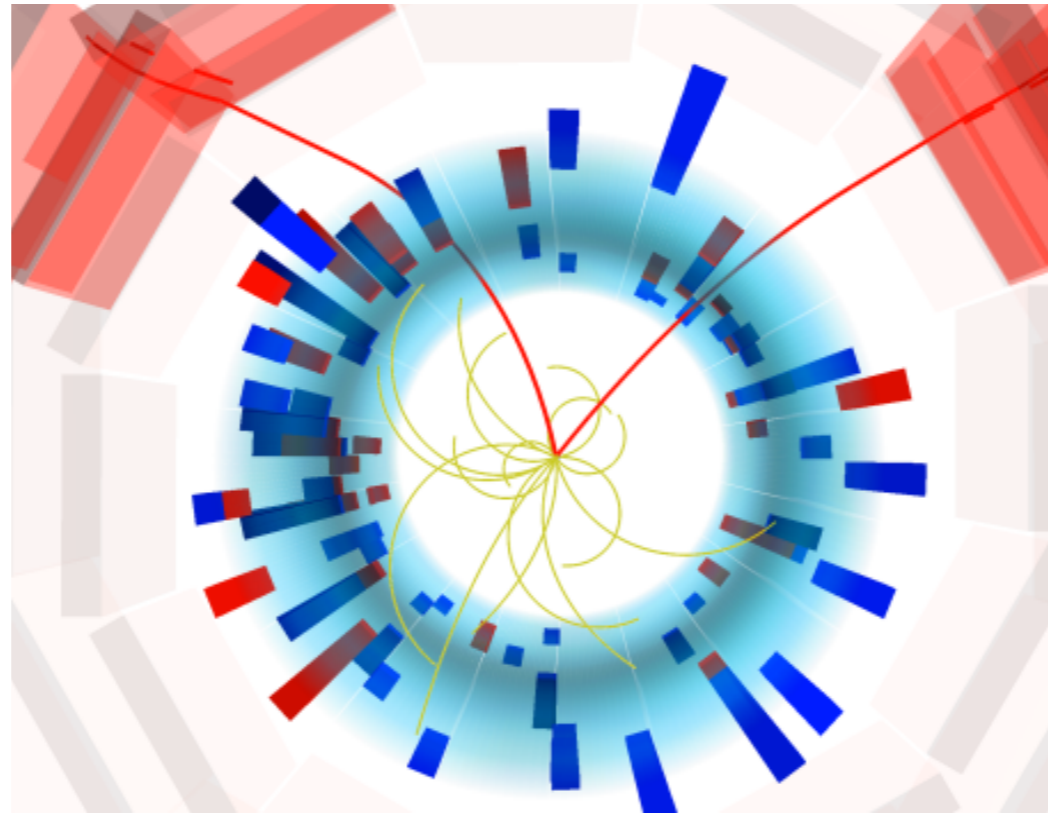
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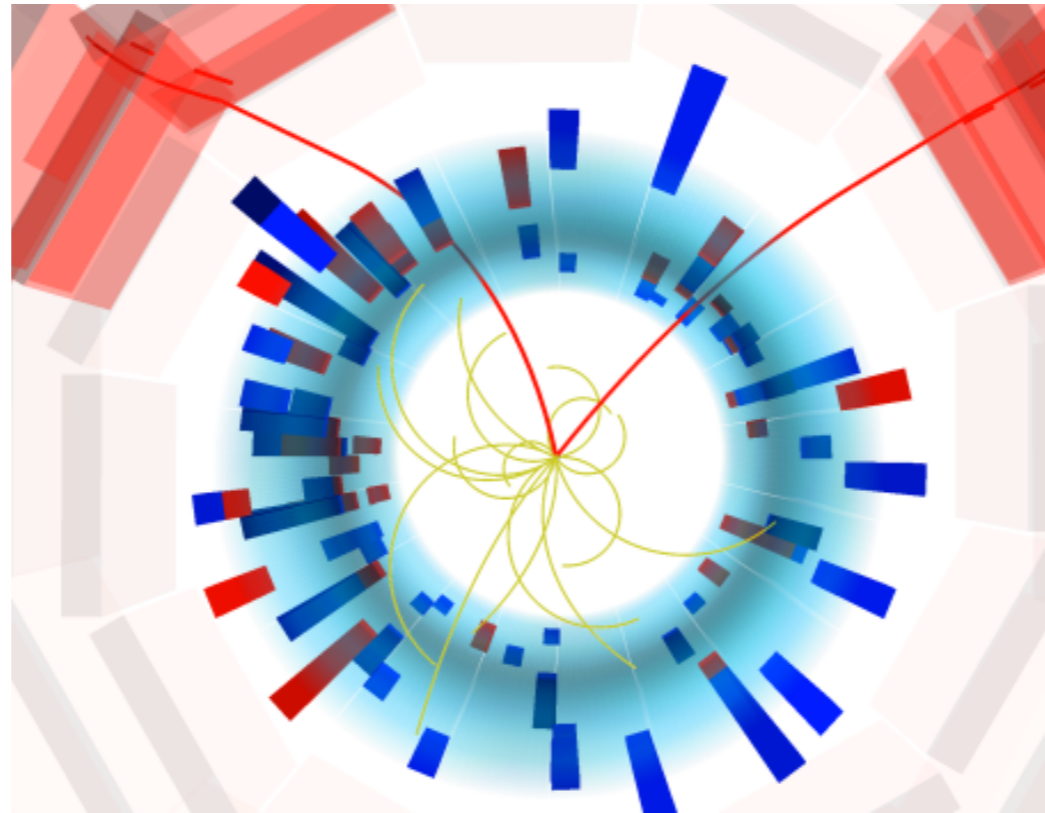


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To isolate the effects from the magnetic field and to make our point, we focus on particles decay before hitting the detector. Good examples are τ , Λ_c^+ and Ξ^- for LEP/CEPC/FCC-ee and BESIII/STCF, respectively.

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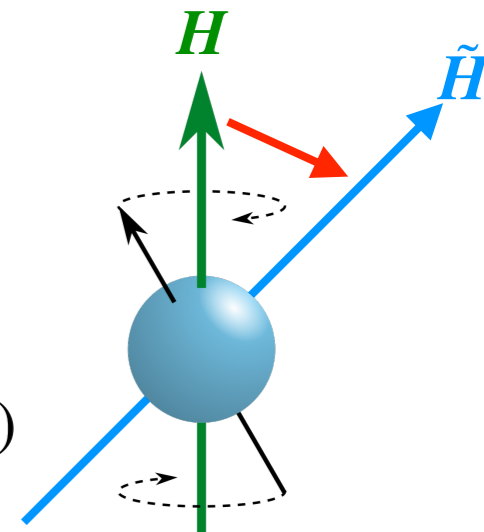
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$$\frac{d\mathbf{S}(t)}{dt} = \frac{ge}{2m}\mathbf{S}(t) \times \left[\gamma\mathbf{H} + (1 - \gamma)\frac{\mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{v^2}\mathbf{v} \right] \equiv \mathbf{S}(t) \times \tilde{\mathbf{H}}$$

First-order Magnus expansion is sufficient $|\tilde{\mathbf{H}}| \approx \frac{ge\tau_f |\mathbf{H}| \gamma}{m} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-2} \sim 10^{-4})$




$$R_s = e^{-i\mathbf{J} \cdot \Omega_1(t)} \quad \Omega_1(t) = \int_0^t dt' \frac{ge}{2m} \left[\gamma\mathbf{H} + (1 - \gamma)\frac{\mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{v}(t')}{v^2}\mathbf{v}(t') \right]$$

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Statistical average is taken over the decay time through a Gaussian PDF:

$$p(t_1, t_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_{\text{TOF}}^2} e^{-\frac{(t_1 - \tau)^2 + (t_2 - \tau)^2}{2\sigma_{\text{TOF}}^2}}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{TOF}}^{\text{BESIII}} = 33 \text{ ps}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{TOF}}^{\text{LEP}} = 150 \text{ ps}$$

* a Poisson PDF instead barely affects our conclusion

Decay time correlation is ignored as we lack this info (*also crucial for a loophole free test!*), thus high luminosity would possibly be urgently needed for a loophole free test at colliders.

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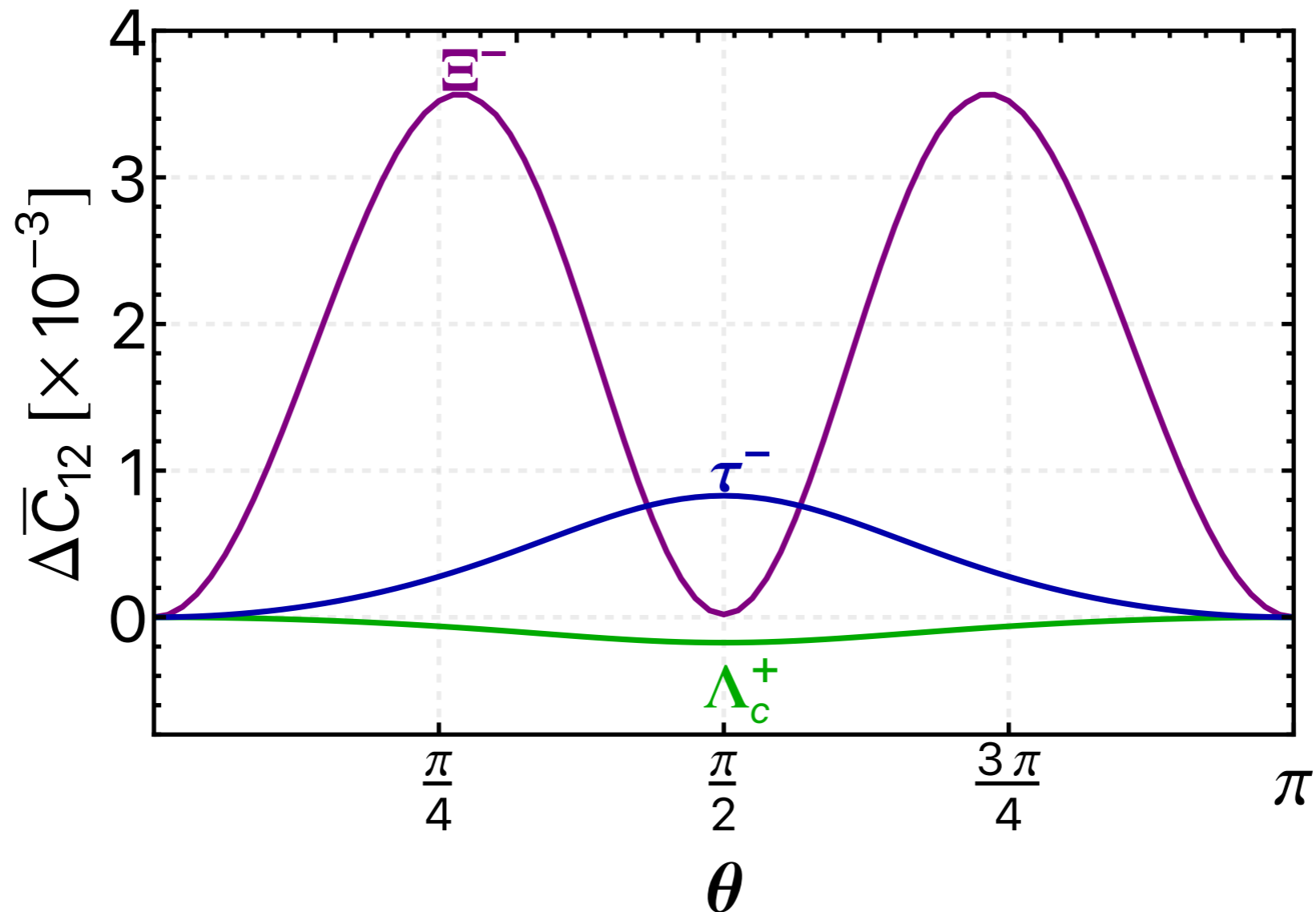
Rotational invariance puts constraints on the generic form of R (backup slide), and P and CP invariance will lead to, for instance, $C_{12} = C_{21}$ under P or CP invariance

$$\Delta \bar{C}_{12} \equiv \bar{C}_{12} - \bar{C}_{21}$$

$\Delta \bar{C}_{12} \neq 0$ would correspond to a spurious P and/or CP violation due to interaction with the environmental magnetic field.

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Spurious P and/or CP violation can be of $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$ for $|\mathbf{H}| = 1$ tesla.

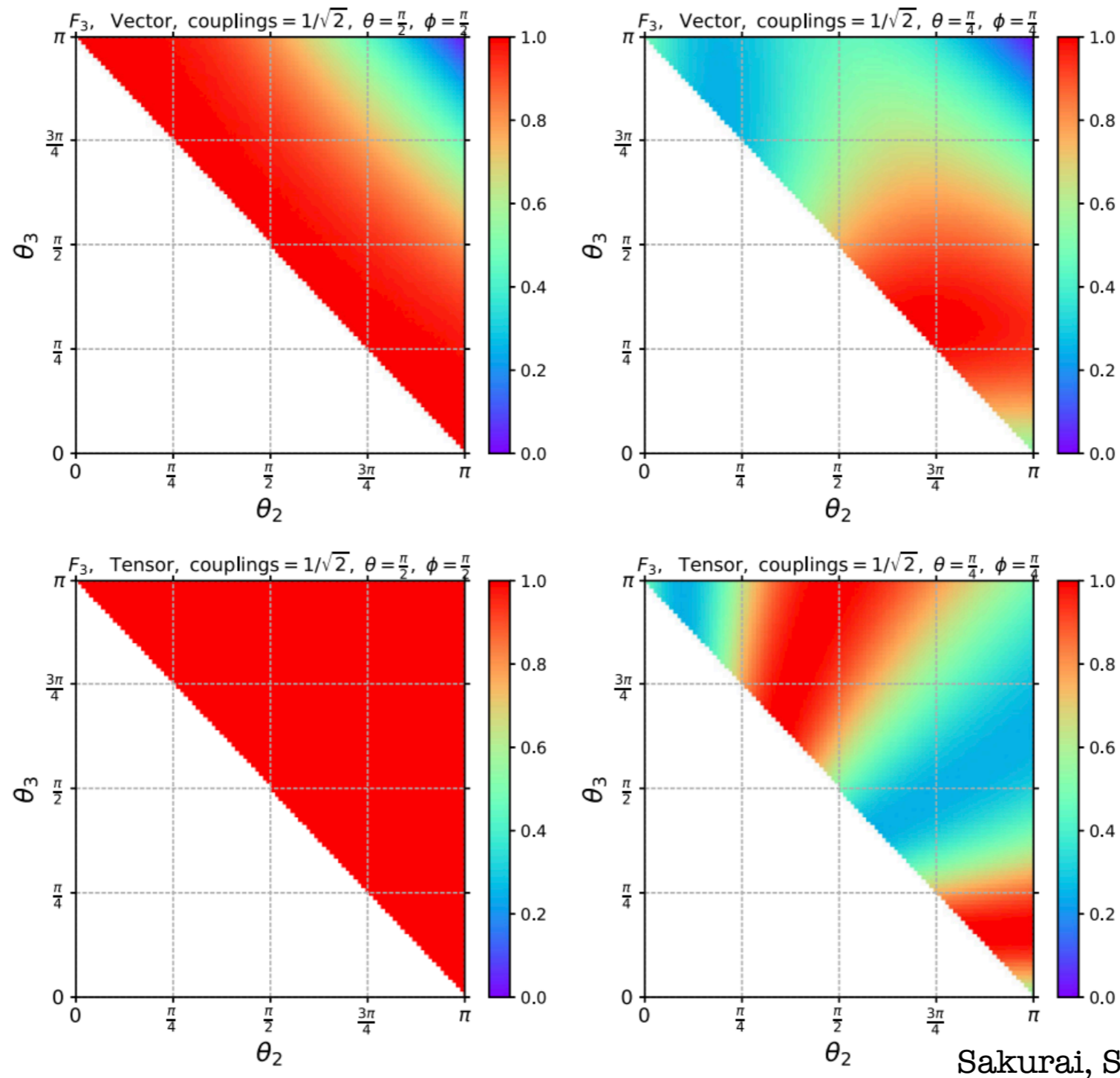


Non-negligible and may become observable at a future high-lumi electron collider!

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The spin correlation can be easily modified by the presence of new physics, *e.g.*, U(1) gauge boson or 4-fermion operators: New physics in the heatmap



Sakurai, Spannowsky, PRL 2024

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Up to now, the discussion, though free of referring to any specific local hidden variable theory, however does rely on the knowledge of a quantum one.

Q: Do we have to?

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Challenging the validity of general QFT can be achieved from the simple spin-0 h decay:

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Assuming no special direction for nature, *i.e.*, SO(3) invariance alone (in the rest frame of h)

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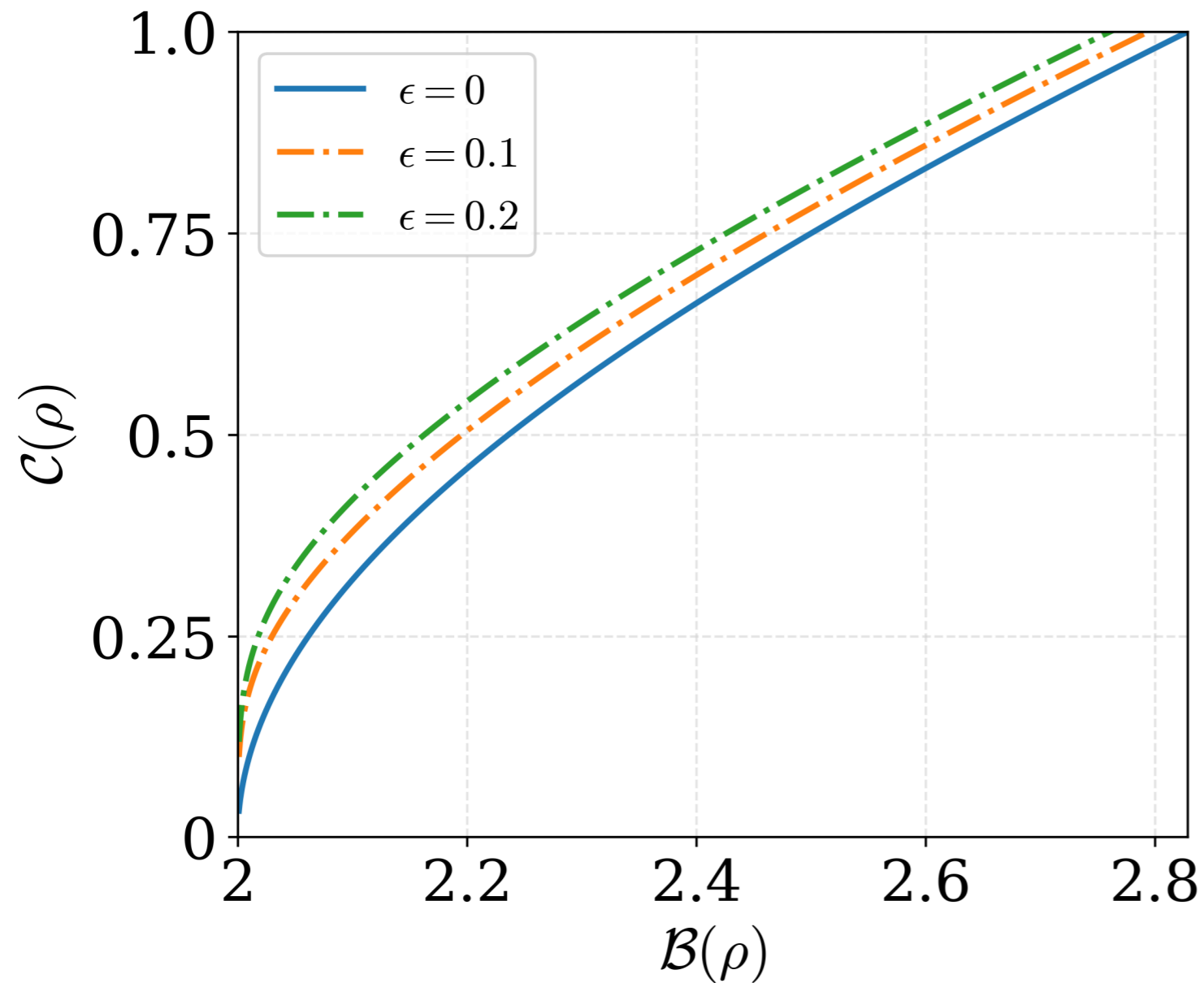
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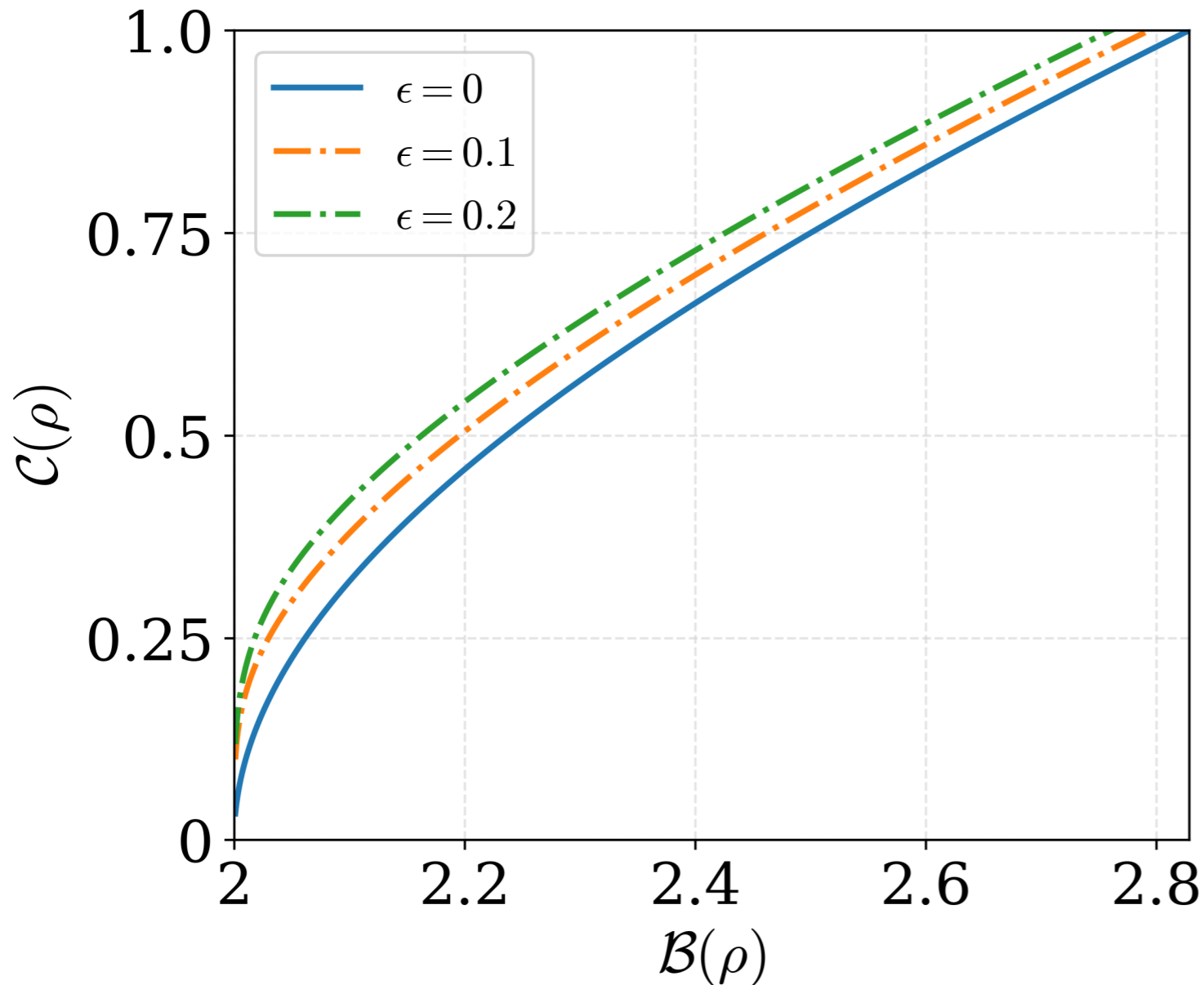
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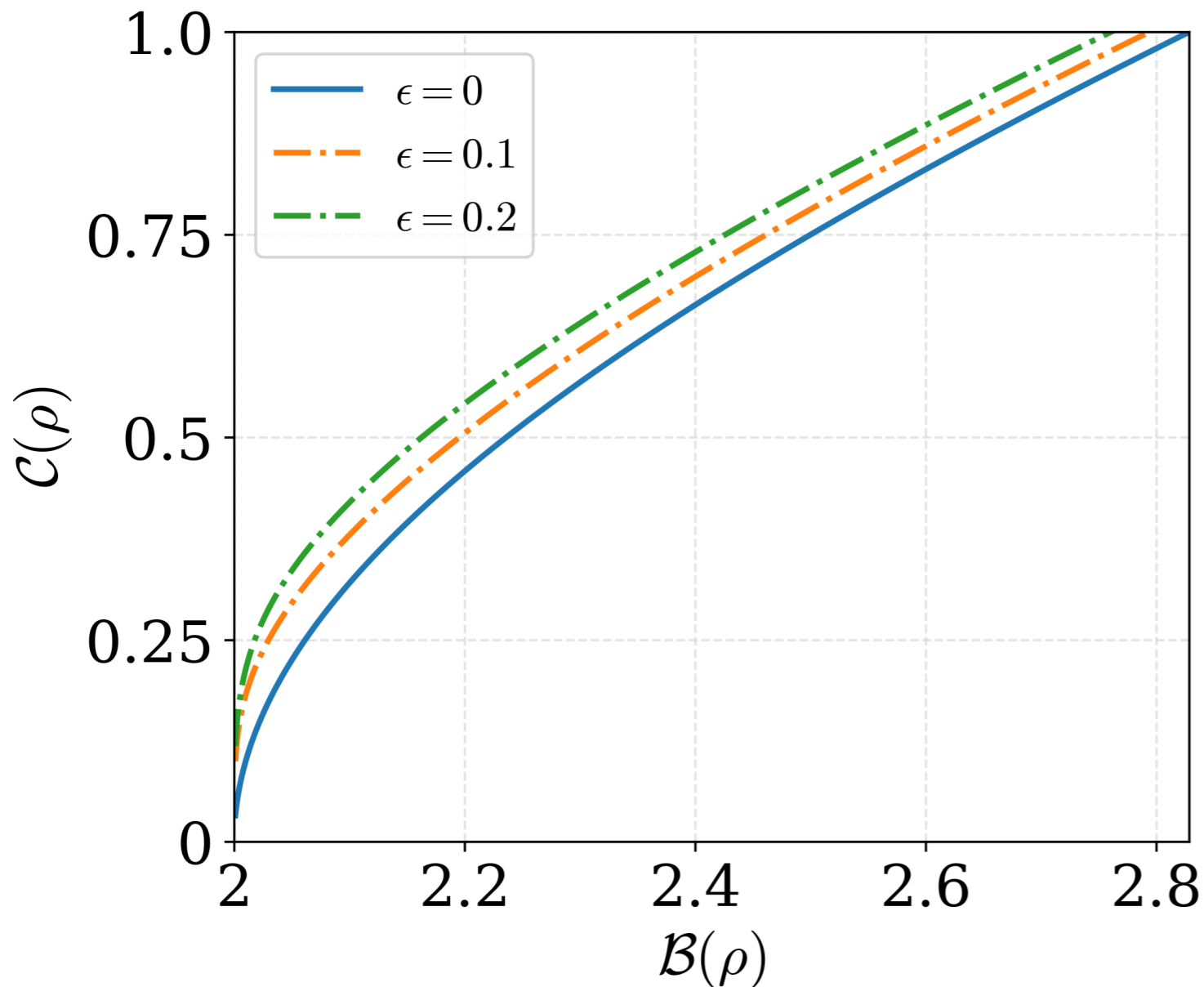
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Summary

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- ❖ The largely overlooked environmental effect was examined and we found a spurious P and/or CP violation of $\mathcal{O}(10^{-4} \sim 10^{-3})$ can be induced. This has to be subtracted for a genuine determination of P and CP violation at a future high-lumi lepton collider.
- ❖ We also propose a free test of the QFT framework using the simplest spin-0 decay and encourage our experimental colleagues to do such tests NOW.

Backup

ρ constraints

Rotational invariance puts constraints on the generic form of R :

$$B_1(\hat{\mathbf{p}}, \hat{\mathbf{k}}) = \hat{\mathbf{p}}b_{1p}(\omega) + \hat{\mathbf{k}}b_{1k}(\omega) + \hat{\mathbf{n}}b_{1n}(\omega),$$

$$B_2(\hat{\mathbf{p}}, \hat{\mathbf{k}}) = \hat{\mathbf{p}}b_{2p}(\omega) + \hat{\mathbf{k}}b_{2k}(\omega) + \hat{\mathbf{n}}b_{2n}(\omega),$$

$$C^{ij}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}, \hat{\mathbf{k}}) = \delta^{ij}c_0(\omega) + \epsilon^{ijk} \left(\hat{\mathbf{p}}^k c_1(\omega) + \hat{\mathbf{k}}^k c_2(\omega) + \hat{\mathbf{n}}^k c_3(\omega) \right) + \left(\hat{\mathbf{p}}^i \hat{\mathbf{p}}^j - \frac{1}{3} \delta^{ij} \right) c_4(\omega) + \left(\hat{\mathbf{k}}^i \hat{\mathbf{k}}^j - \frac{1}{3} \delta^{ij} \right) c_5(\omega) \\ + \left(\hat{\mathbf{p}}^i \hat{\mathbf{k}}^j + \hat{\mathbf{k}}^i \hat{\mathbf{p}}^j - \frac{2}{3} \omega \delta^{ij} \right) c_6(\omega) + (\hat{\mathbf{p}}^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^j + \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \hat{\mathbf{p}}^j) c_7(\omega) + (\hat{\mathbf{k}}^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^j + \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \hat{\mathbf{k}}^j) c_8(\omega),$$

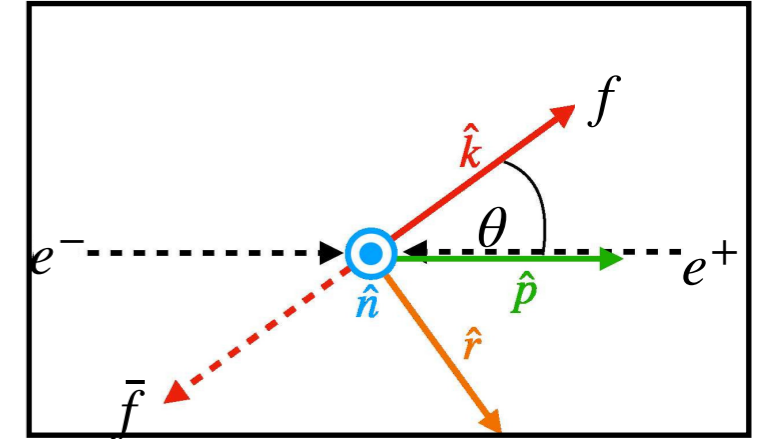
Further constraints from discrete symmetries such as P and CP:

$$b_{1p}(\omega) = b_{2p}(\omega) = b_{1k}(\omega) = b_{2k}(\omega) = c_1(\omega) = c_2(\omega) = c_7(\omega) = c_8(\omega) = 0, \quad (\text{from P invariance})$$

$$b_{1m}(\omega) = b_{2m}(\omega), \quad m = p, k, n \quad \text{and} \quad c_i(\omega) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3. \quad (\text{from CP invariance})$$

ρ for the spin-1 case

The spin density matrix for a spin-1 decay process:



$$\vec{B}^{\pm} = \frac{1}{\bar{N}} \sqrt{1 - y_m^2} \left(y_m c_{\theta} \hat{p} + (1 + (1 - y_m) c_{\theta}^2) \hat{k} \right) \text{Re} \left(\frac{F_A}{F_V} \right) ,$$

$$C_{ij} = \frac{1}{\bar{N}} \left[\frac{1}{3} \bar{N} \delta_{ij} + (1 - (1 - y_m^2) \left| \frac{F_A}{F_V} \right|^2) (\hat{p}_i \hat{p}_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij}) - ((1 - y_m) c_{\theta} (1 - (1 + y_m) \left| \frac{F_A}{F_V} \right|^2)) (\hat{p}_i \hat{k}_j + \hat{k}_i \hat{p}_j - \frac{2}{3} c_{\theta} \delta_{ij}) \right. \\ \left. + (1 - y_m) (1 + c_{\theta}^2 (1 - y_m)) (\hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij}) + \sqrt{1 - y_m^2} s_{\theta} \left((\hat{p}_i \hat{n}_j + \hat{n}_i \hat{p}_j) - (1 - y_m) c_{\theta} (\hat{k}_i \hat{n}_j + \hat{n}_i \hat{k}_j) \right) \text{Im} \left(\frac{F_A}{F_V} \right) \right] ,$$

$$\bar{N} = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + c_{\theta}^2 + y_m^2 s_{\theta}^2 + (1 - y_m^2) (1 + c_{\theta}^2) \left| \frac{F_A}{F_V} \right|^2 \right] ,$$

$$y_m = \frac{2m_f}{m_V}$$