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Efficient interpolation and practical observables

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Goals

- Present scaling matrix approach for linear-in-amplitude EFT expansion
- Demonstrate useful EFT fit speedup opportunity
- Suggest a systematic approach to splitting existing binning (such as STXS) towards *better* sensitivity

Scaling matrix

- Linear-in-amplitude parameterization of a differential cross section

- $\frac{d\sigma}{d\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) = |c_0 a_0(\mathbf{x}) + c_1 a_1(\mathbf{x}) + \dots|^2 = \mathbf{c}^\top \mathbf{a}^*(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{a}^\top(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{c}$

- For parameter vector \mathbf{c} , amplitude vector \mathbf{a} as a function of phase space point \mathbf{x}

- This can be rewritten to be real-valued: $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{a}^* \mathbf{a}^\top + \mathbf{a} \mathbf{a}^{*\top})/2$

- So it is a matrix norm:

- $\frac{d\sigma}{d\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{c}^\top \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{c}$

- \mathbf{A} is computed per event with usual tricks (MG reweighting) and is rank ≤ 2

- Integrate over some region to get a bin yield y

- $y = \mathbf{c}^\top \left(L \int_X \epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \right) \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{c}^\top \mathbf{M} \mathbf{c}$

- For luminosity L , efficiency ϵ , neglecting smearing (does not change picture)

- \mathbf{A} continuous in \mathbf{x} , so rank(\mathbf{M}) will grow as region grows

What good is that?

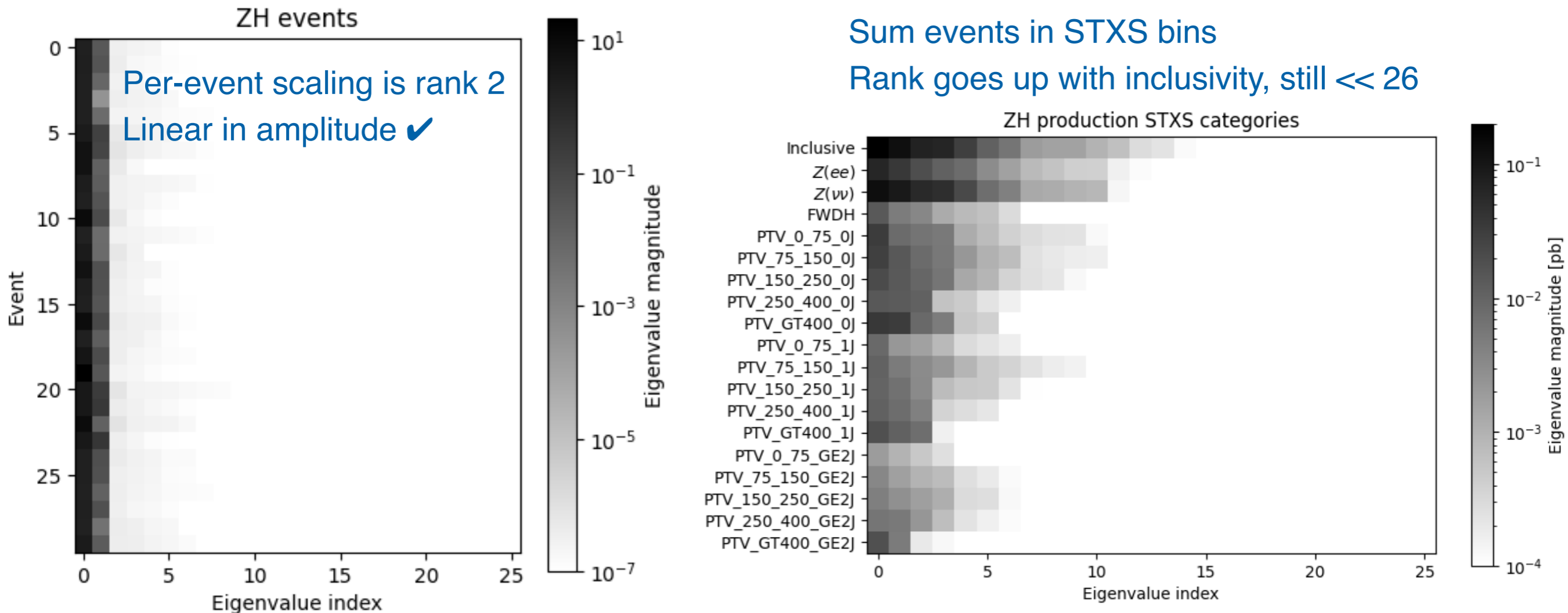
- A linear-in-amplitude dim-6 SMEFT parameterization then becomes:

$$y = y_{SM} \left(1 + \sum_i c_i A_i + \sum_{i \leq j} c_i c_j B_{ij} \right) \iff y = y_{SM} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} 1 & A_1/2 & A_2/2 & \cdots \\ A_1/2 & B_{11} & B_{12}/2 & \cdots \\ A_2/2 & B_{12}/2 & B_{22} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

- Easy to check pos-def
- When $\text{rank}(\mathbf{M}) < n$ (# coefficients) we can speed up interpolation in fits
 - Precompute eigendecomposition and keep top k rows $\mathbf{M}_{:k}^{1/2} = (\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{\Lambda}^{1/2})_{:k}$ per bin
 - Then $y \approx |\mathbf{M}_{:k}^{1/2} \mathbf{c}|^2$, which is $\mathbf{O}(kn)$ instead of $\mathbf{O}(n^2)$

Quick check

- Simulate $Z(ee, \nu\nu)H$ production with SMEFTsim
 - With linearized propagator correction, patch to restrict all coupling orders ≤ 2
 - Thanks to M. Knight
 - Calculate per-event scaling matrix for 25 NP operators with nonzero effect (+1 for SM)
 - $\mathfrak{I}C_{bB}, \mathfrak{R}C_{bB}, \mathfrak{I}C_{bH}, \mathfrak{R}C_{bH}, \mathfrak{I}C_{bW}, \mathfrak{R}C_{bW}, C_{HB}, C_{H\Box}, C_{Hb}, C_{H\tilde{b}}, C_{Hd}, C_{HD}, C_{He}, C_{Hq}^{(1)}, C_{Hq}^{(3)}, C_{Hl}^{(1)}, C_{Hl}^{(3)}, C_{Hq}^{(1)}, C_{Hq}^{(3)}, C_{Hu}, C_{HW}, C_{HWB}, C_{H\tilde{W}B}, C_{H\tilde{W}}, C'_{ll}$



What this looks like in a fit

- The binned likelihood is approximately

$$-2 \ln L(\mathbf{c}) \approx \sum_b \frac{(y_{b,obs} - \mathbf{c}^\top \mathbf{M}_b \mathbf{c})^2}{\sigma_b^2}$$

- The Fisher information matrix is then*

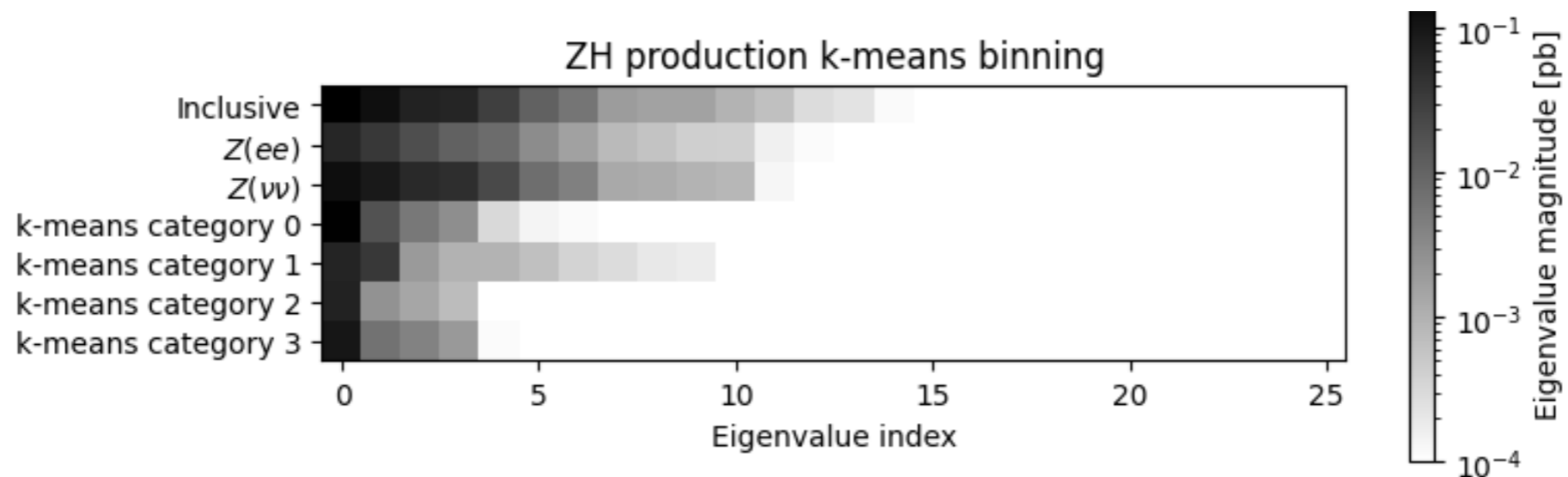
$$\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{c}) = \sum_b \frac{4}{\sigma_b^2} (\mathbf{M}_b \mathbf{c})(\mathbf{M}_b \mathbf{c})^\top$$

- Note: not constant, unlike for linear cross section expansion
- Of course, we are really interested in the 1:n submatrix since $c_0 \equiv 1$ (SM)
- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{M})$ is telling us how much coefficient-dependence is projected out
 - Split bin into sub-bins of lower rank that are “orthogonal” \rightarrow more information (but σ up)

* Assuming regularity conditions, e.g. domain of y independent of \mathbf{c}

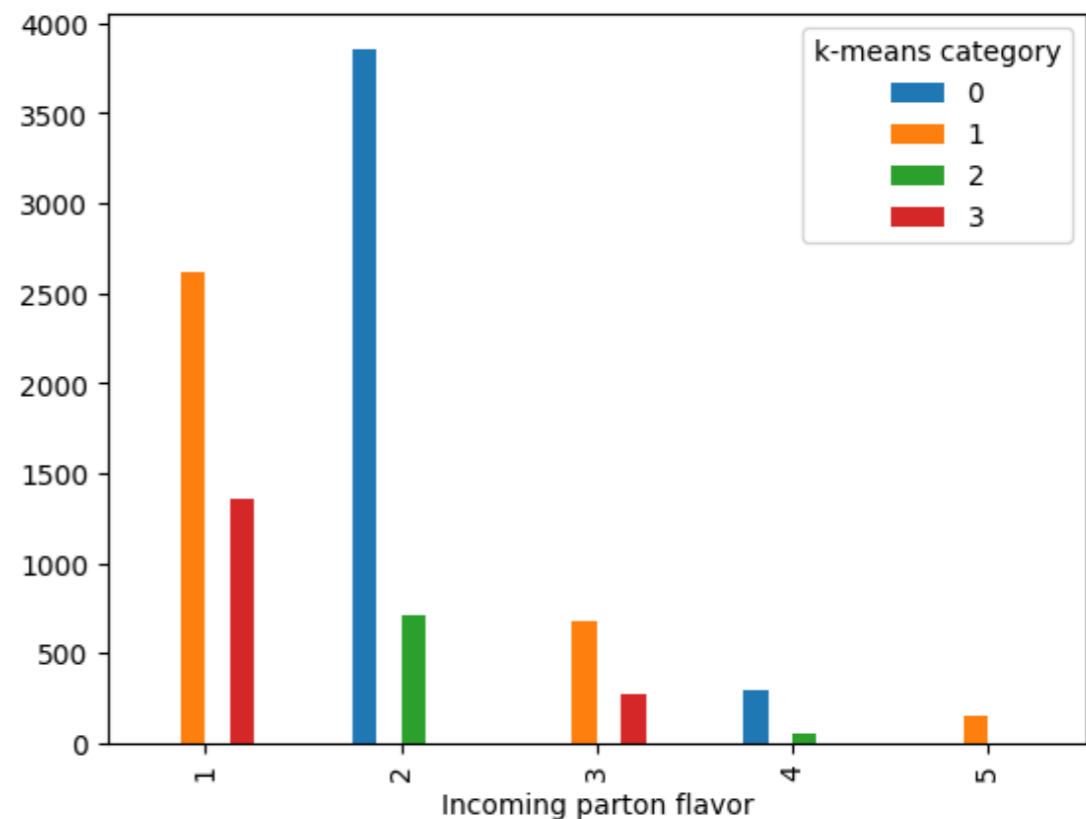
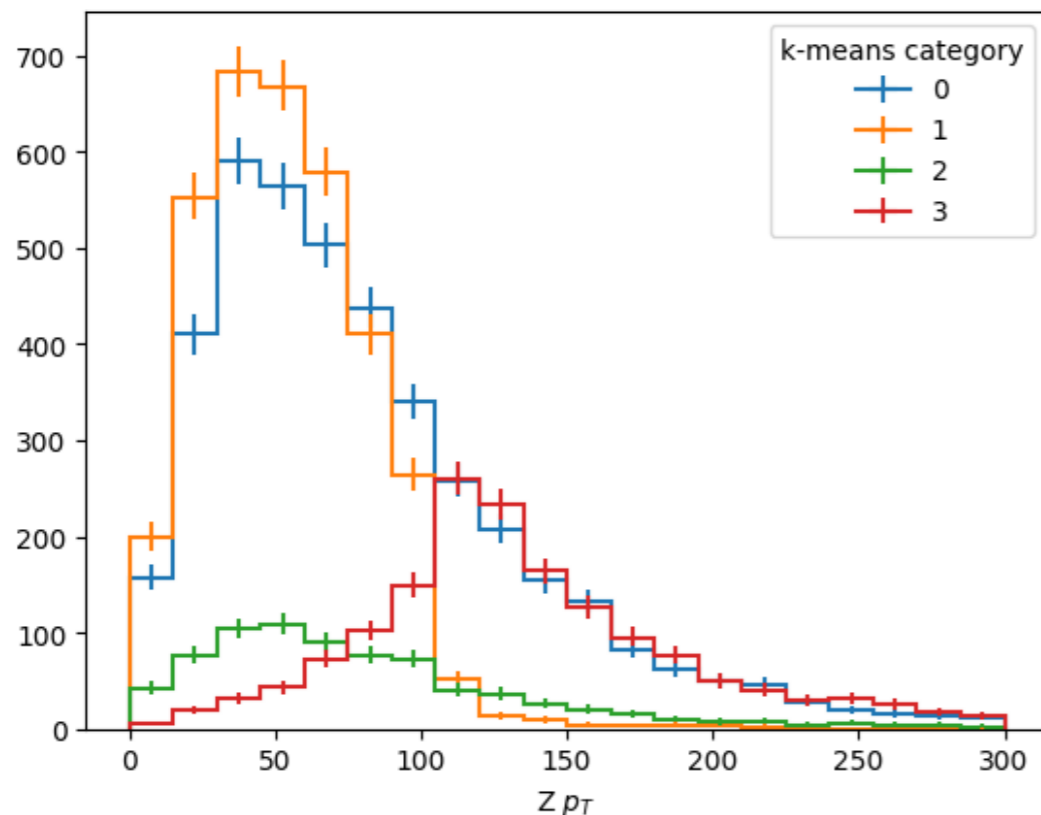
Squeezing information out

- Splitting a bin: need definition of “orthogonal”
 - At SM expectation ($\mathbf{c} = [1,0,\dots]$), find vectors $\mathbf{M}_{1:n,0}$ with low inner product
 - Can also just take Frobenius product
 - $\langle M_1, M_2 \rangle_F = \text{tr}(M_1^\top M_2)$
 - Dominated by interference terms anyway ($1/\Lambda^2$)
 - Value in optimizing \mathbf{I} for BSM points?
- Cluster same ZH events using Frobenius product as distance metric
 - Use direction rather than distance, i.e. inner product / sqrt(norms)
 - Simple k-means for now
- Categories are lower rank!



Towards observables

- Great, but scaling matrices are not observable
- What can identify clusters?
 - $Z p_T$ 😊
 - Incoming parton flavor 😞
- Next step: train NN on observables to separate
 - Supervised on cluster? Contrastive loss? Information matrix as loss (a la INFERNO)?
 - Early tests with the latter show promise



Summary

- I think this is a new way to look at linear-in-amplitude EFT expansion
 - Unlocks a lot of linear algebra stuff
- Alternative to optimal observables approach
 - Start from inclusive binning and divide up
 - vs. learning unbinned likelihood ratio
- If all that fails, at least it allows us to run fits faster