



Area 3 targets

Experimental Measurements and Observables

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- Study observable, channel, process sensitivities and complementarities (***)
 - Experimental targets: survey of the sensitive channels and corresponding operators
 - Differential distributions, optimal observables, including machine learning, and dedicated EFT measurements, spin density matrices, EFT-optimized fiducial regions, amplitude analyses, angular distributions (e.g. for CP), pseudo observables, etc.
 - Agreement across experiments (for fiducial regions in particular)
 - What observables are most sensitive to new physics? Exploit energy growing effects, non-interferences, and other TH knowledge
 - Expected uncertainties: sys. or stat. dominated
- Analysis strategies & experimental outputs, also with a view at legacy measurements and their possible reinterpretation (***)
 - Dedicated EFT extractions by collaborations
 - Differential measurements and the best choice of observables for re-interpretation.
 - Presentation of measurements: cross sections, correlations/covariance, multi-D likelihood, etc...
 - Experimental systematics related to EFT (e.g. accounting for detector effects)
 - Detector effects: unfolding, forward folding, efficiency maps, recasting through reweighting, etc.
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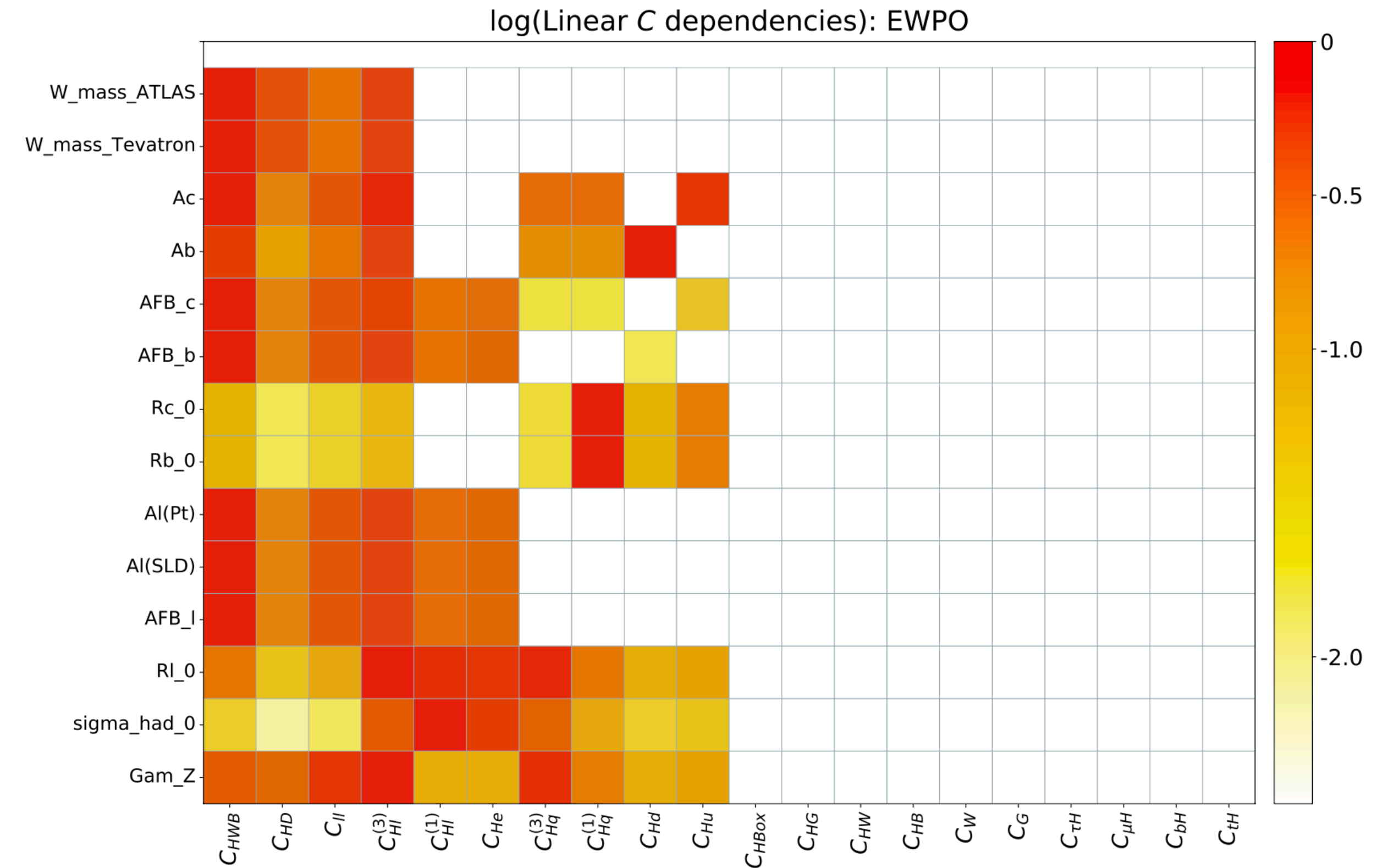
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Future targets?

- Special regions in particular
- New physics? Exploit energy growing knowledge
- Minimized
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- Build upon previous WG work identifying powerful observables
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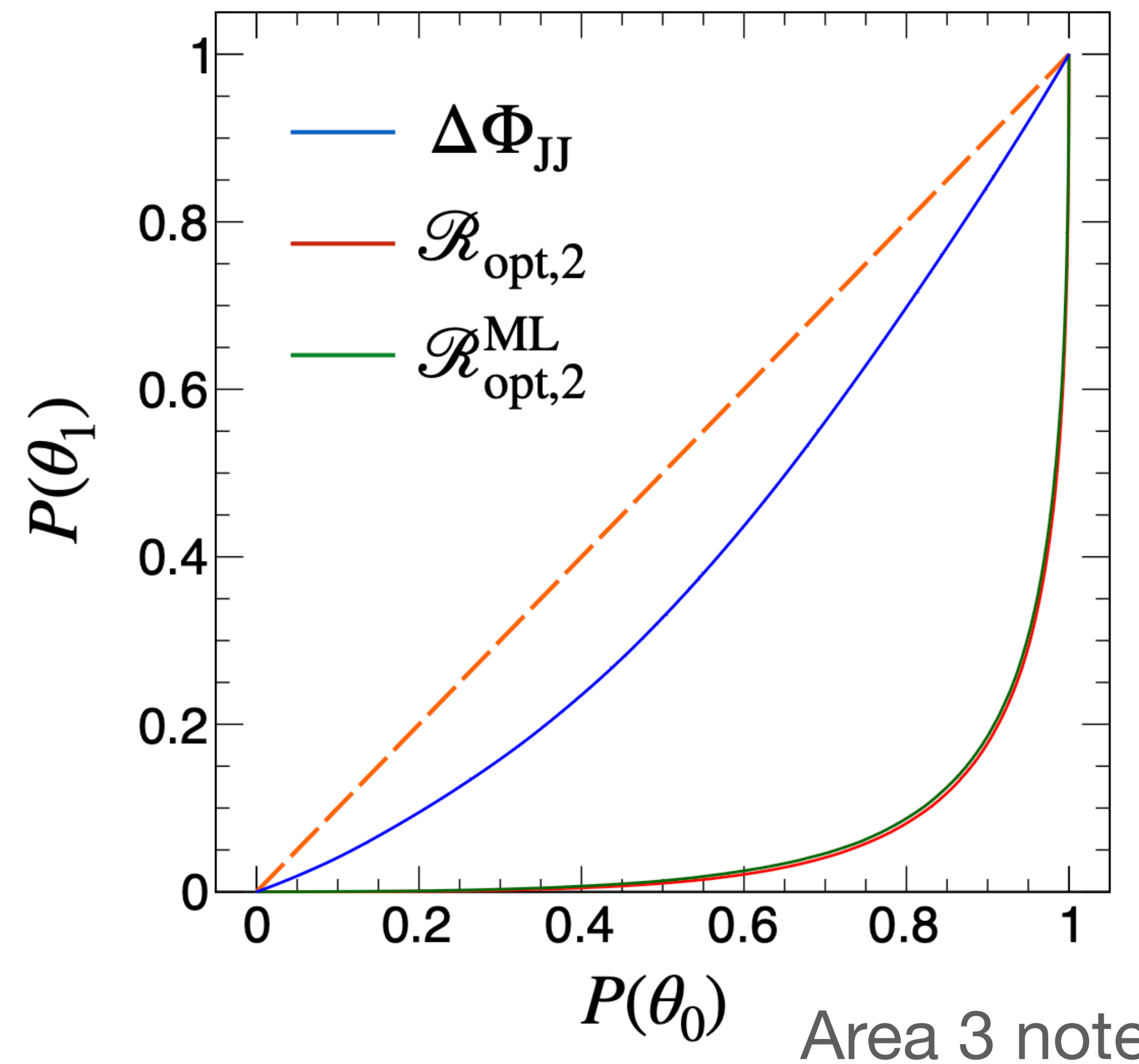


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POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS / CONCLUSION

A. Suggest comparative study of all approaches (& aware of STXS parametrisation)

	Sample based	Event based (per hel.)	Event based (summed hel.)
Persistency	1 sample per term	1 number per event & term	1 number per event & term
Madgraph reweighting	None	$W_{new} = \frac{ M_{new}^h ^2}{ M_{orig}^h ^2} W_{orig}$	$W_{new} = \frac{ M_{new} ^2}{ M_{orig} ^2} W_{orig}$
Phase space mismatches?	No problem	May require $c \neq 0$	May require $c \neq 0$ (fewer cases)
Can be staged?	Yes, including hel.	No new hel.	Yes, including hel.
ML sample efficient?	Less so	Yes	Yes

B. Analysis persistency for later reinterpretation – tools, practises, shortcomings

- Are we ready for an excess?

[Robert's talk]

C. Best practices for publication of ML results

- proposal [Publishing statistical models: Getting the most out of particle physics experiments, [2109.0491](#)]

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More to add?