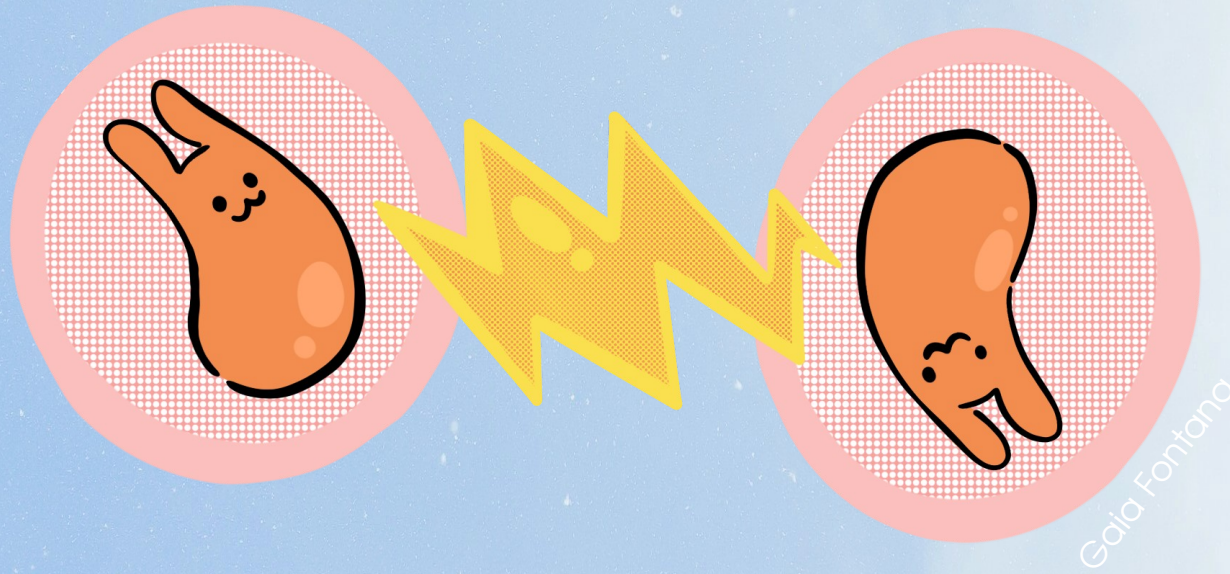


# Searches for new physics with quantum observables



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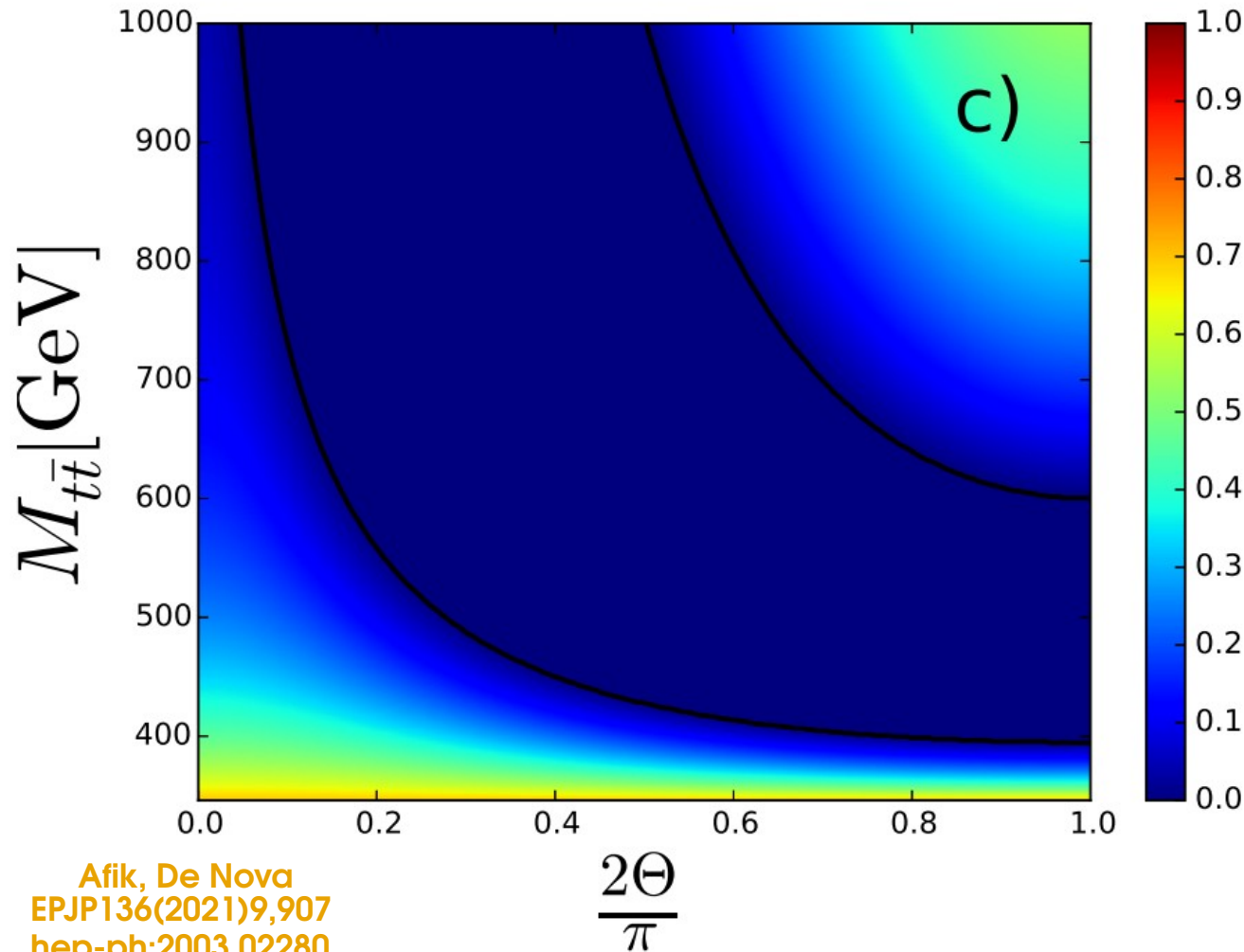
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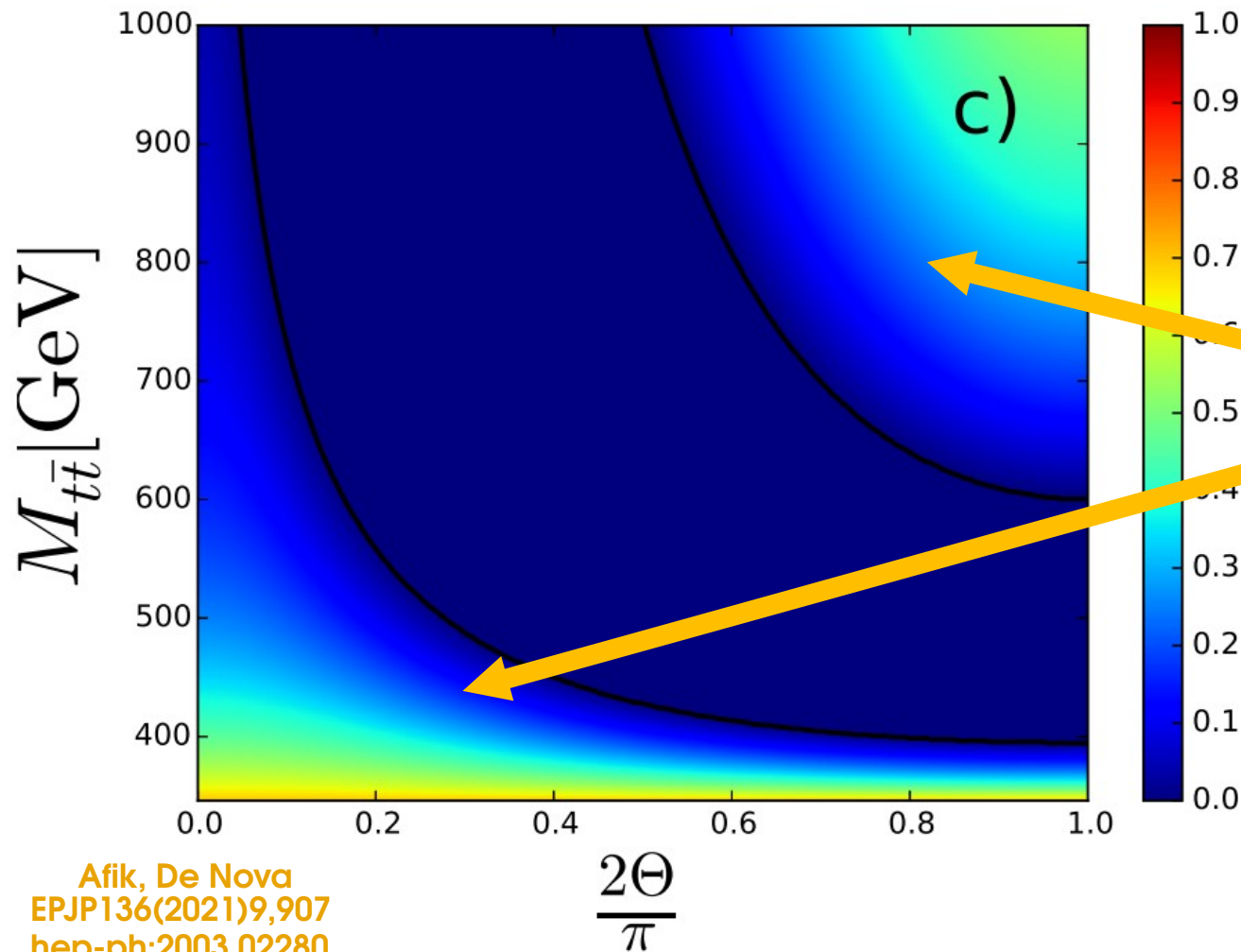
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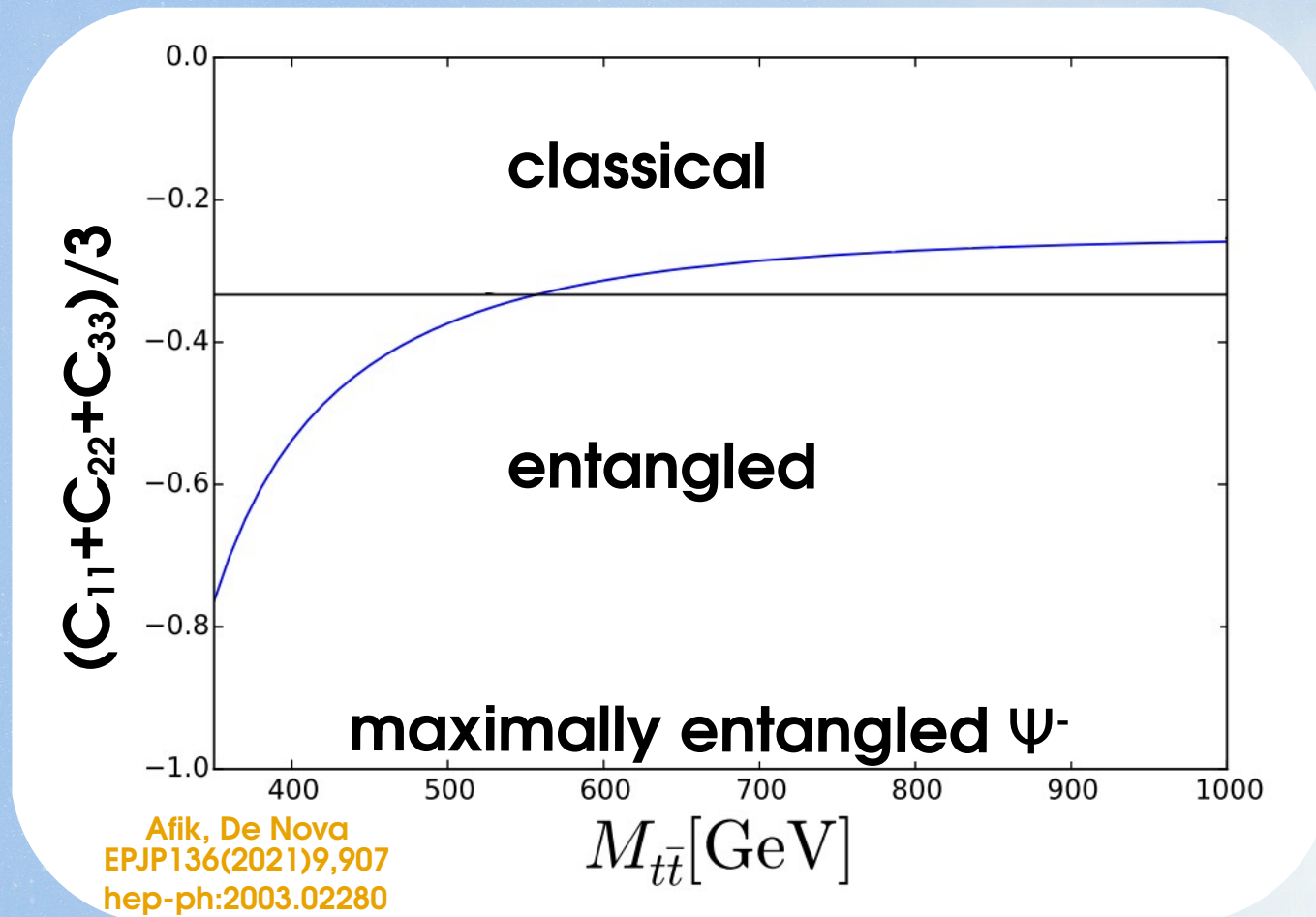
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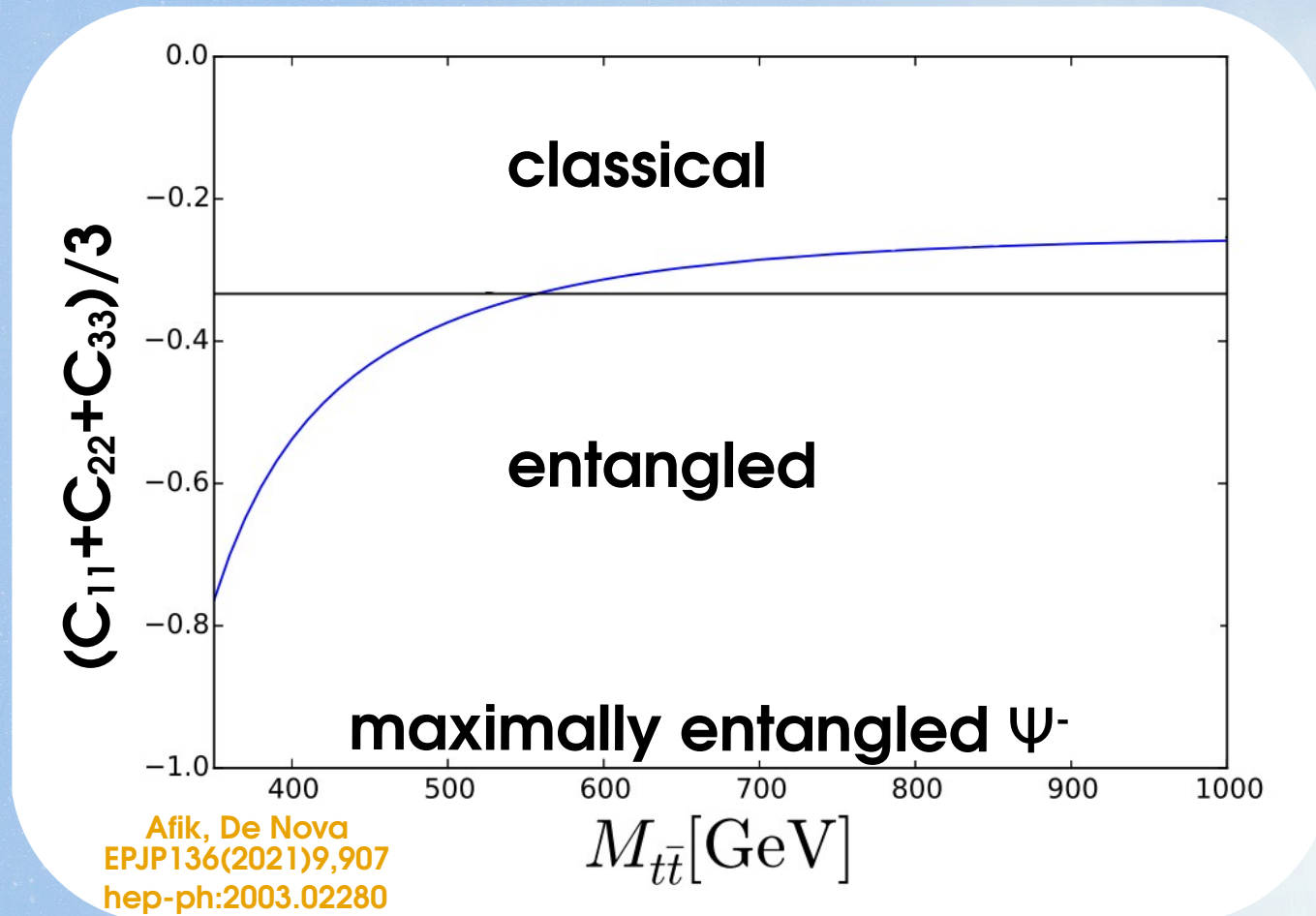
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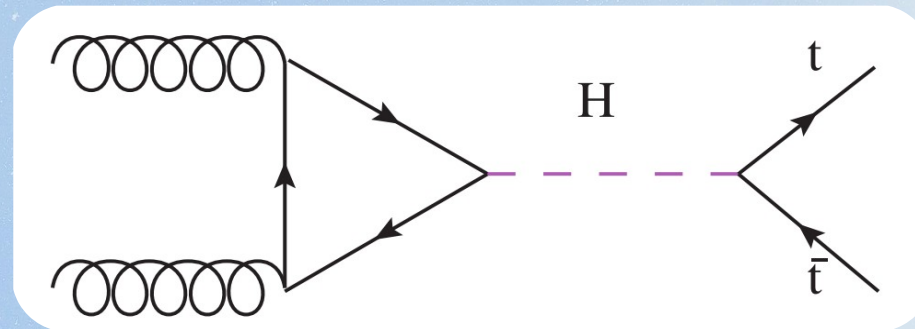
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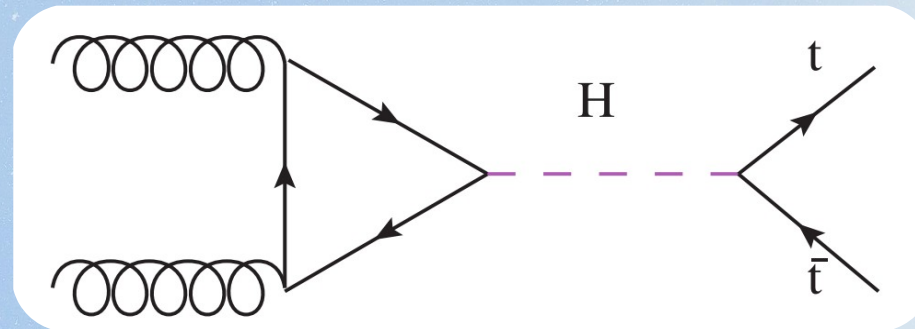


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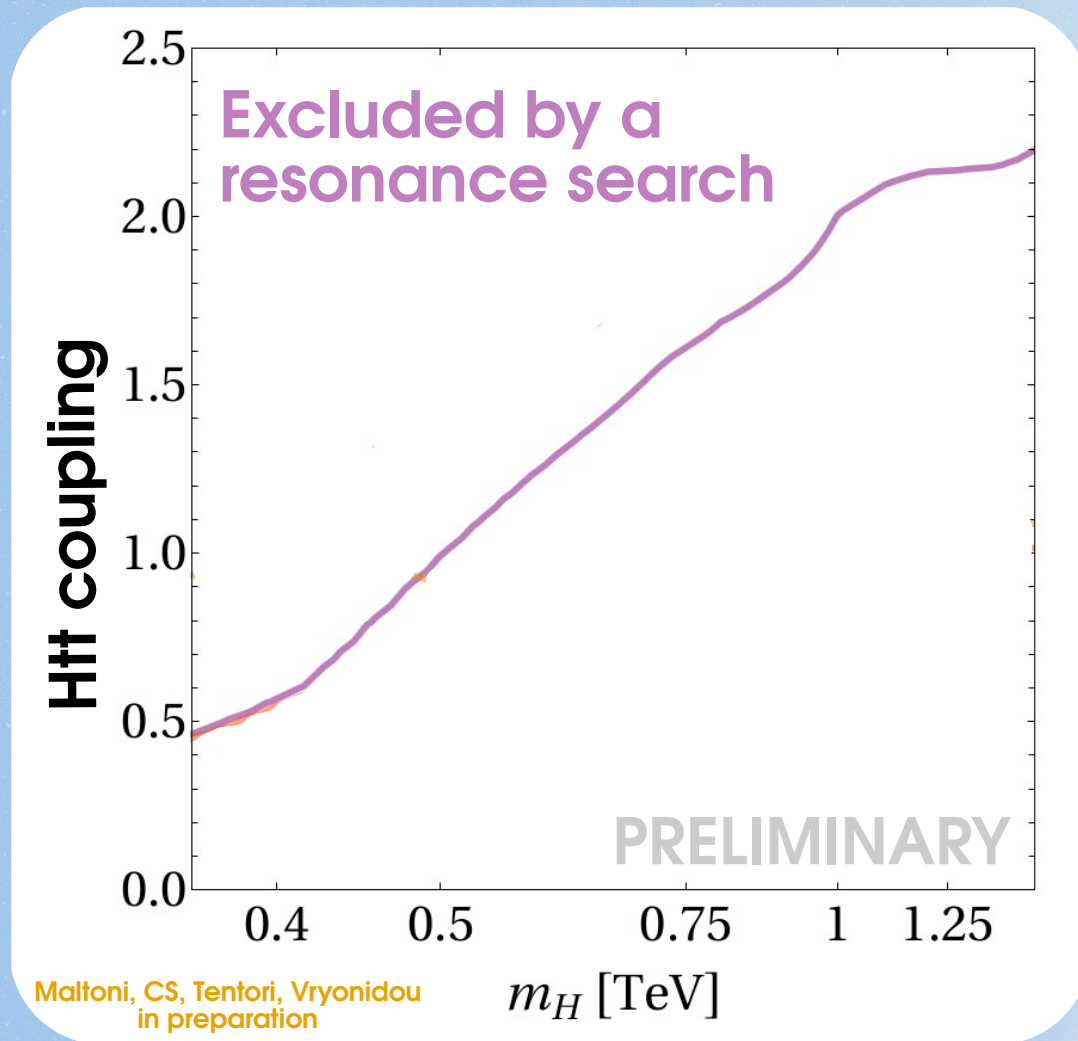
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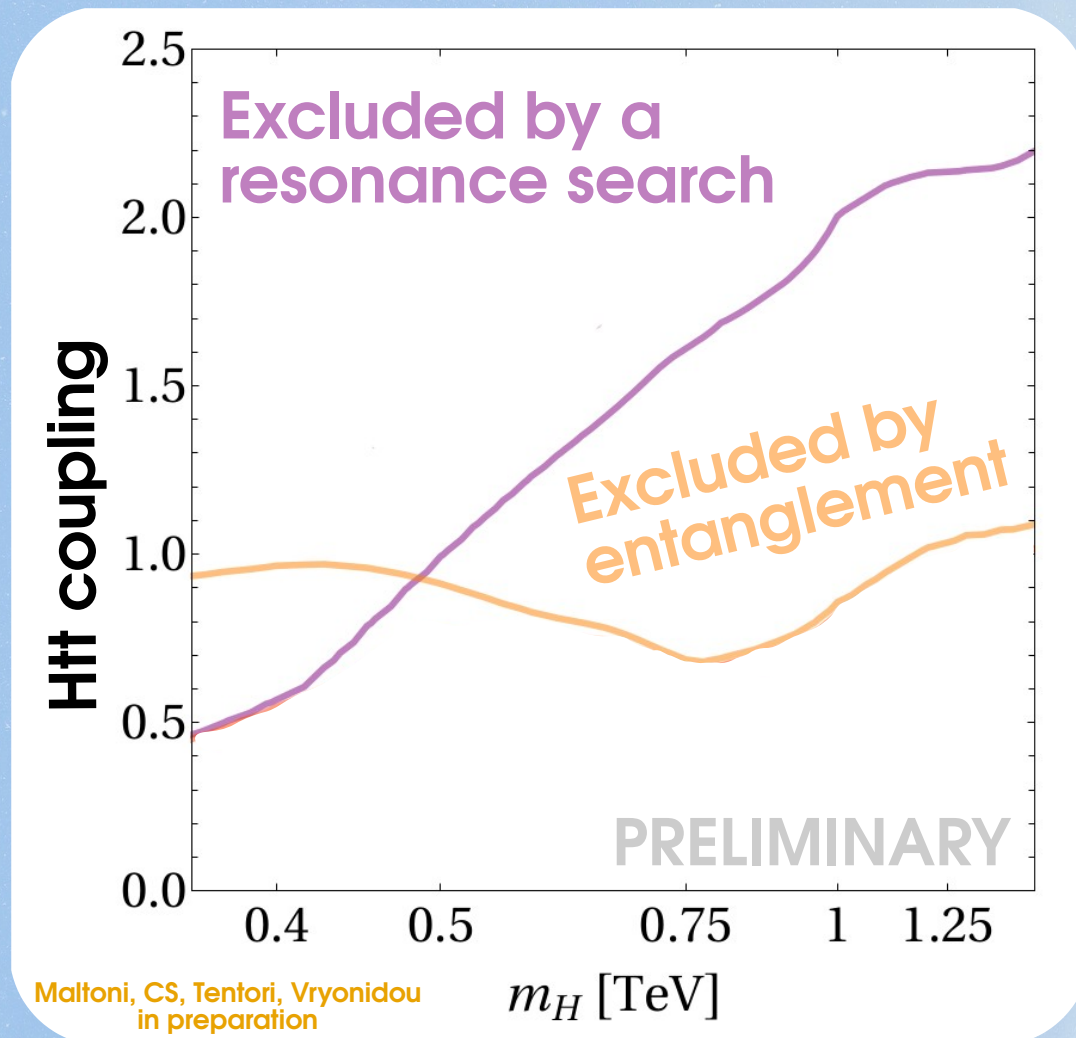
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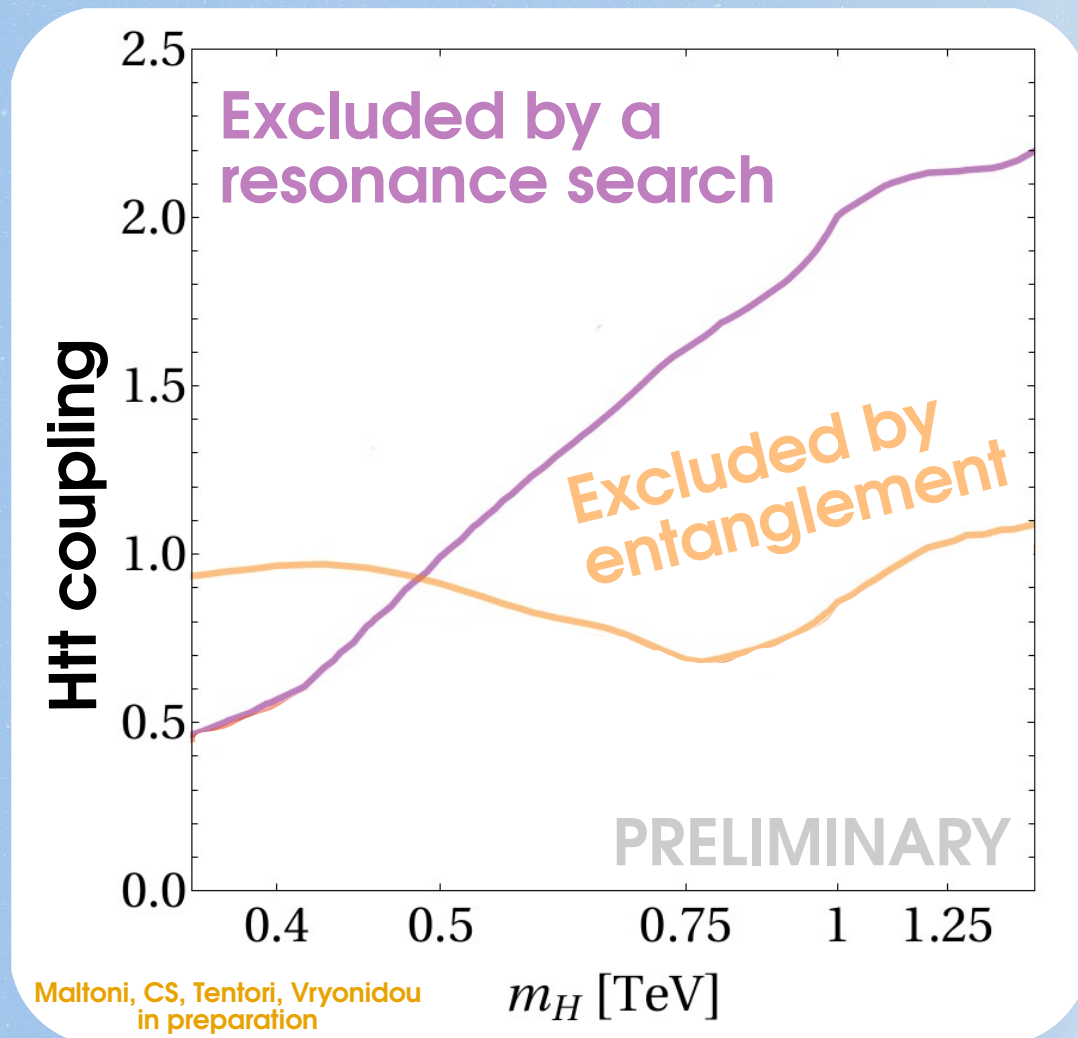
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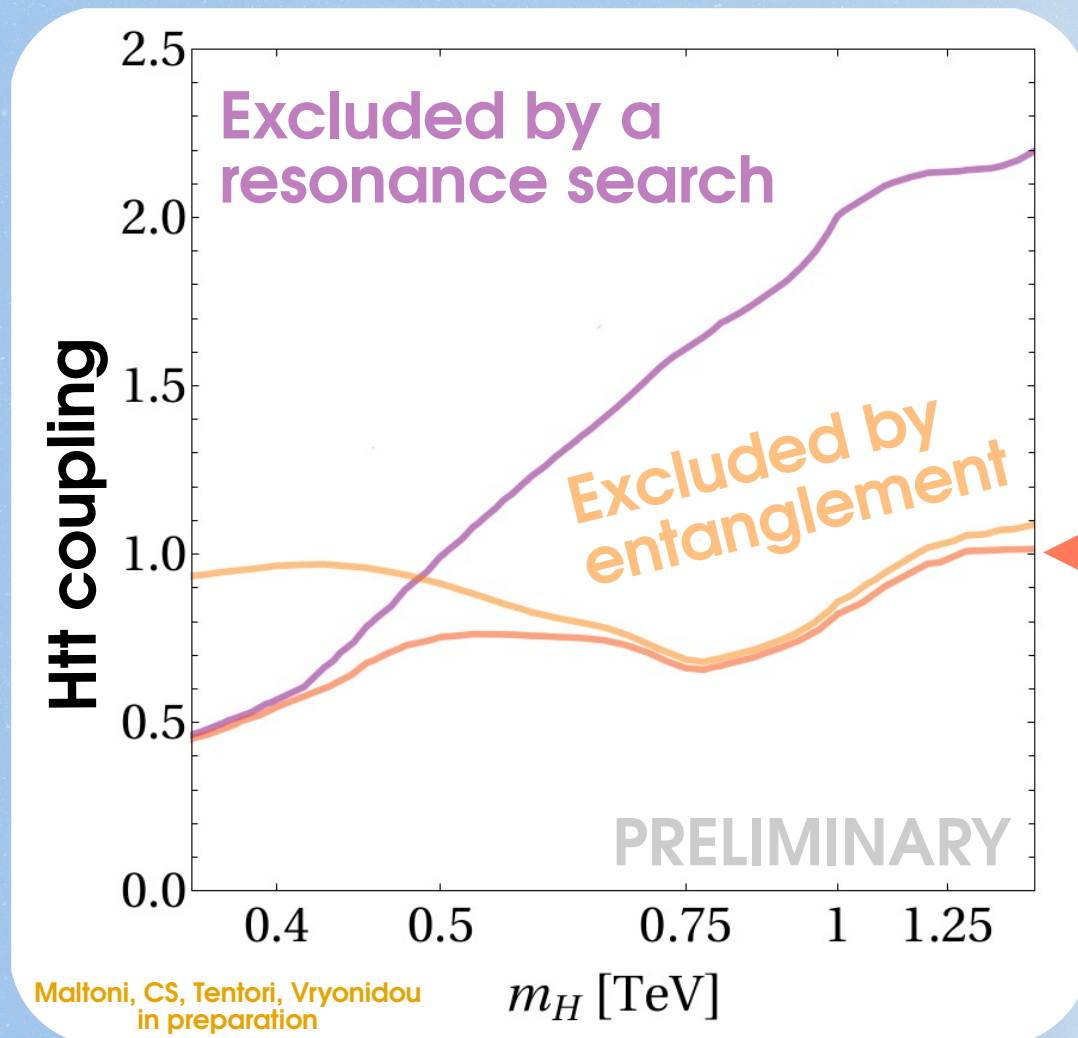
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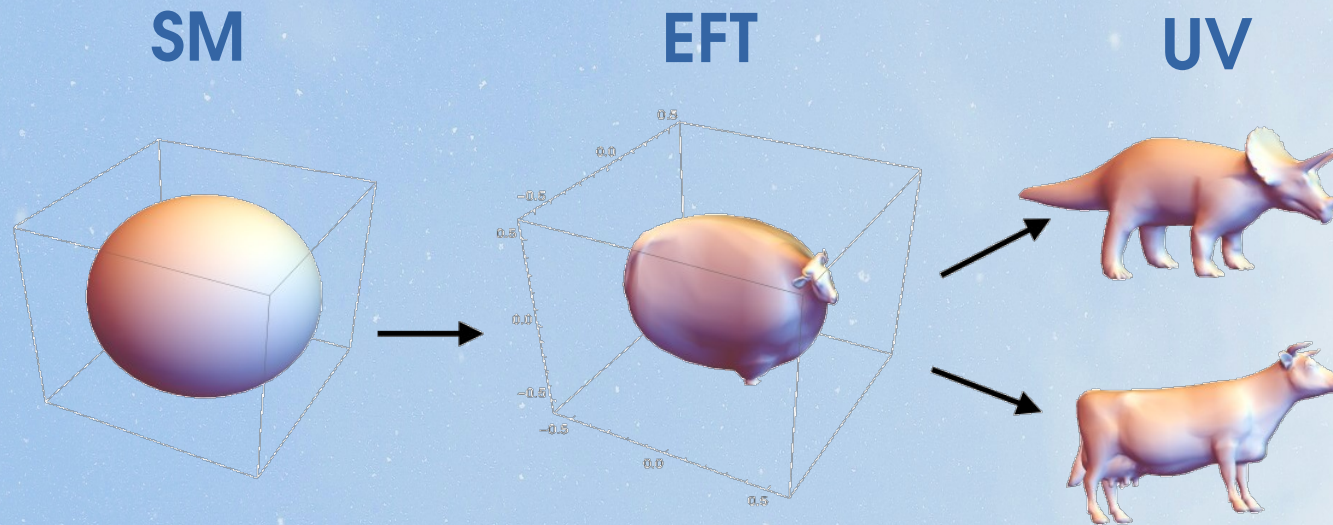
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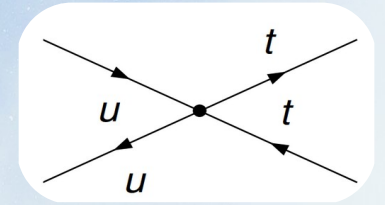
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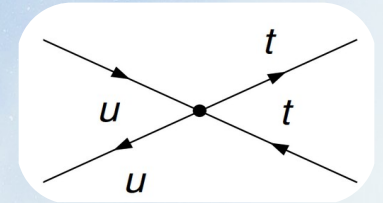
There are 15 dimension 6 operators entering spin correlations: 14 four-quark operators and the top chromo dipole  $O_{tG}$ .

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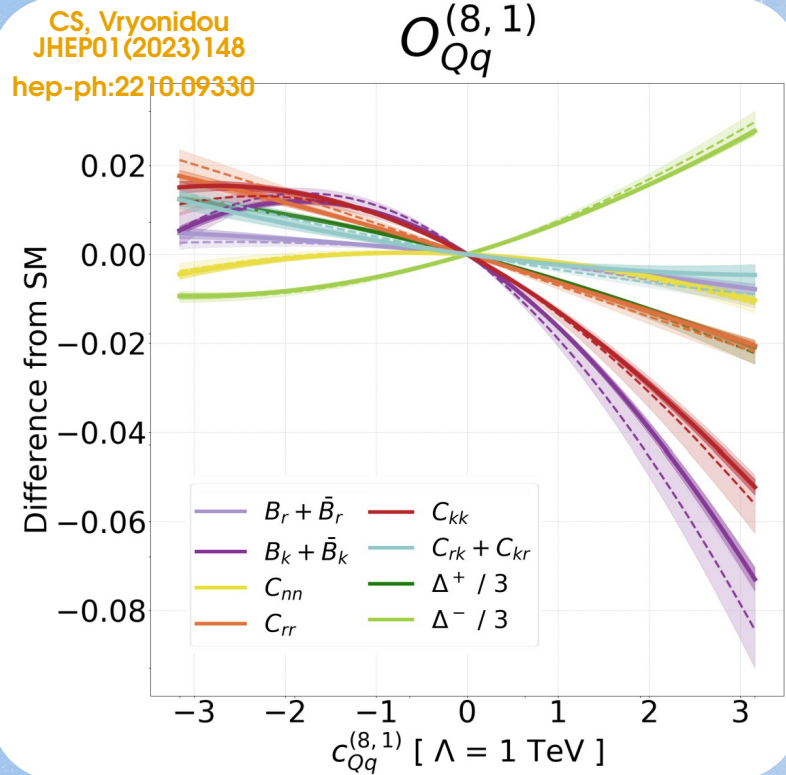
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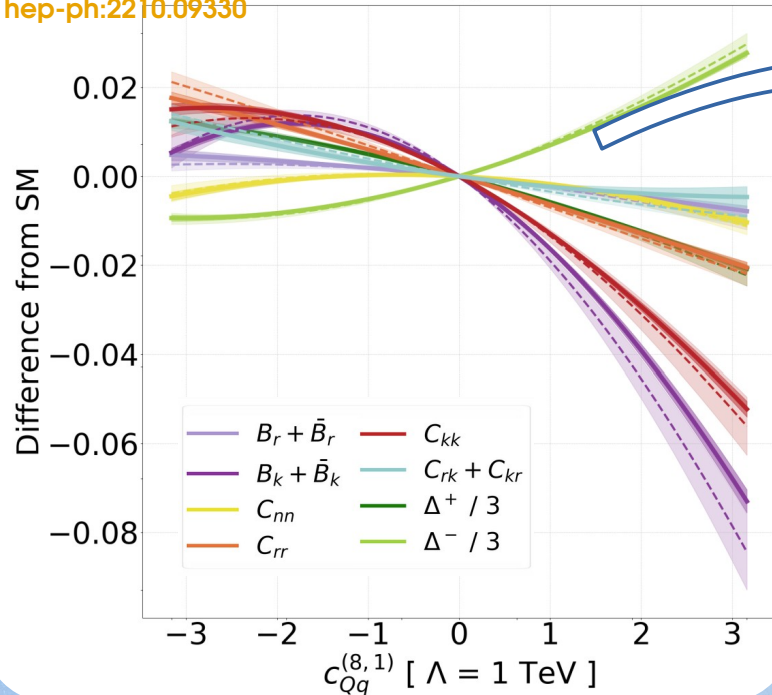


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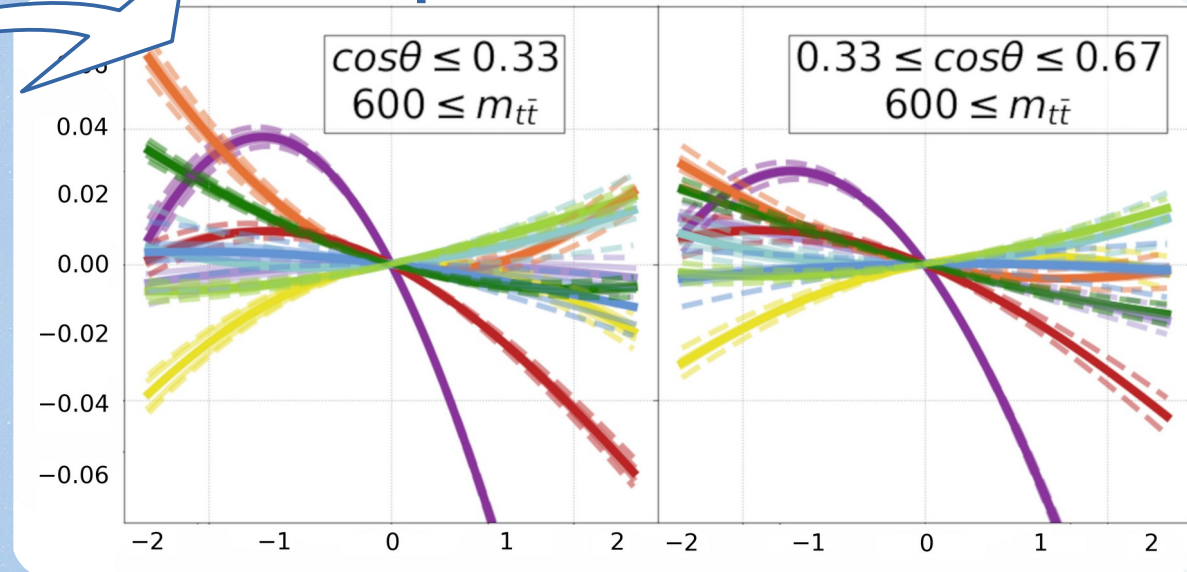
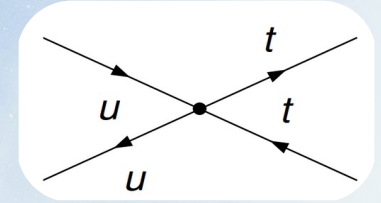
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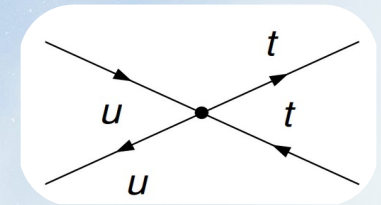
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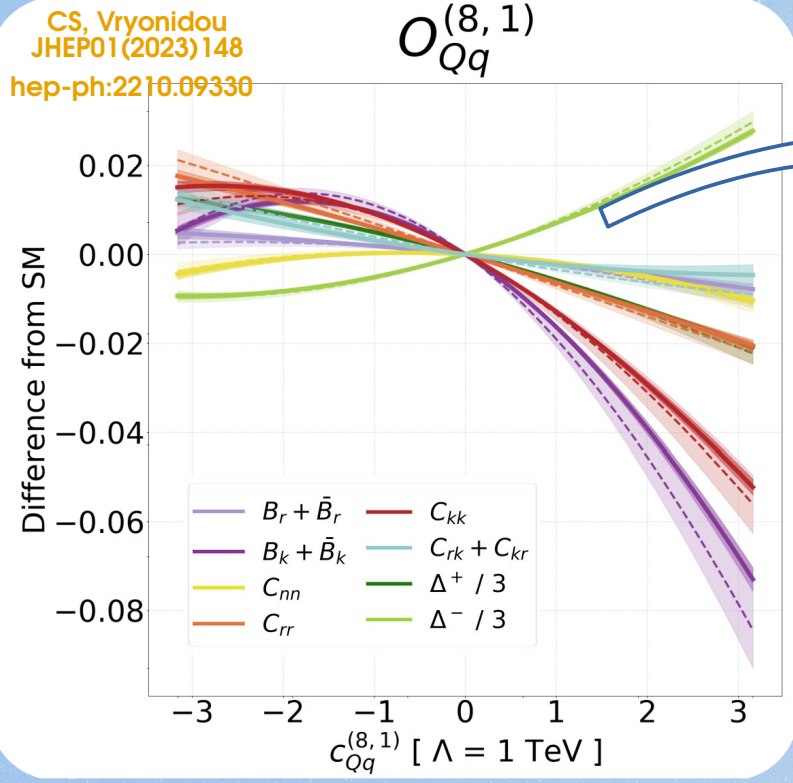
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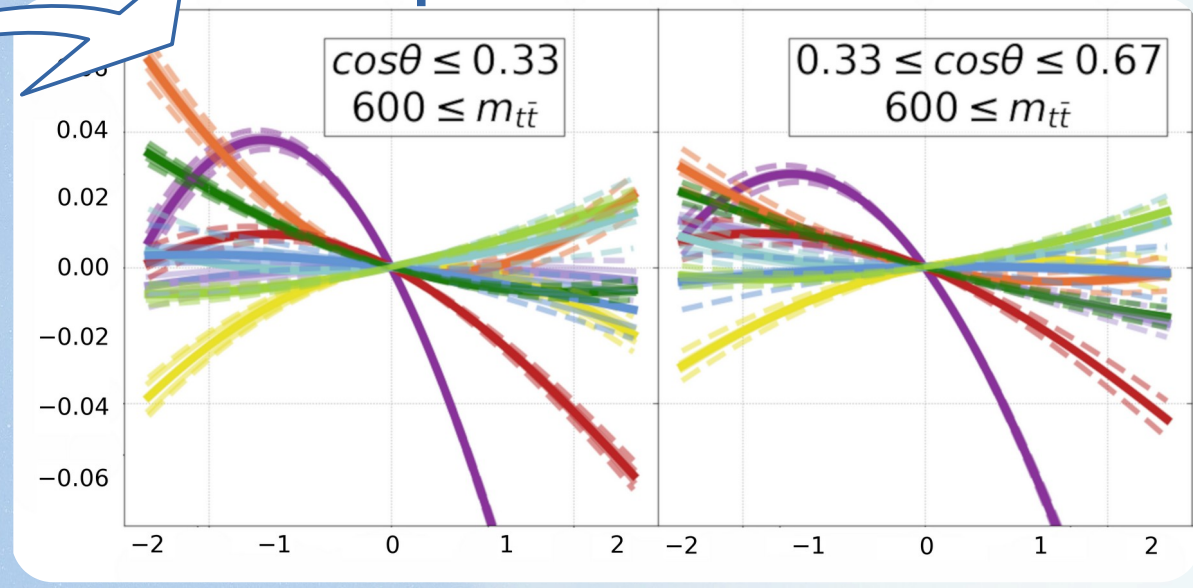
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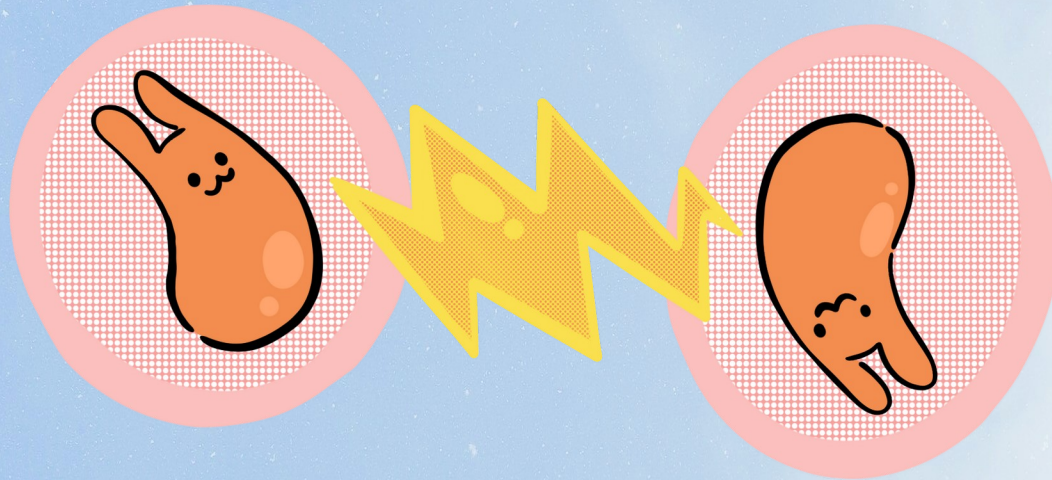
Our simulations show that one differential measurement will be competitive with the global fits to all top data.

Operator	Run III Projection 300 fb <sup>-1</sup> Differential	Current Global Fit
$O_{Qu}^8$	[-0.7, 0.6]	[-1.0, 0.5]
$O_{Qd}^8$	[-0.9, 0.8]	[-1.6, 0.9]
$O_{Qq}^{(1,8)}$	[-0.4, 0.3]	[-0.4, 0.3]
$O_{Qq}^{(3,8)}$	[-1.1, 0.8]	[-0.5, 0.4]



# Conclusions

The era of quantum tops has just began.



There are many spin/entanglement observables, of different theoretical cleanliness and experimental accessibility.

They explore new corners of top physics, and carry a remarkable discovery potential.