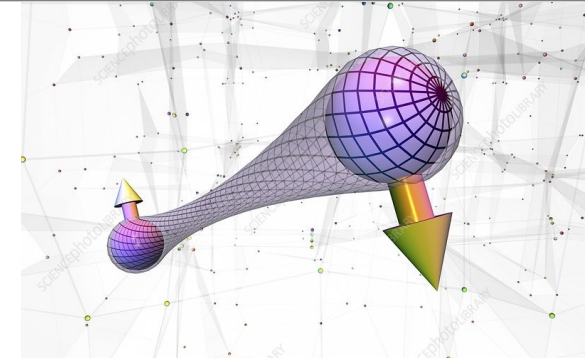


# Quantum Entanglement in Diboson production

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**PRD 109** (2024) 3, L031104; arXiv:2305.04982

- “Entanglement” between two systems is a pure quantum phenomena
- Expected to violates **Bell inequalities** → set of (classical) probability correlations
- Violations incompatible with classical physics based on causality and local realism (locality) (**EPR paradox, hidden variables theories**)
- Violation of Bell inequality observed at **low energy**

pair of photons Freedman-Clauser PRL 28 (1972), Aspect-Dalibard-Roger PRL 49 (1982),  
Zelinger et al. , Nature 433, 230 (2005)

### At high energy (B physics):

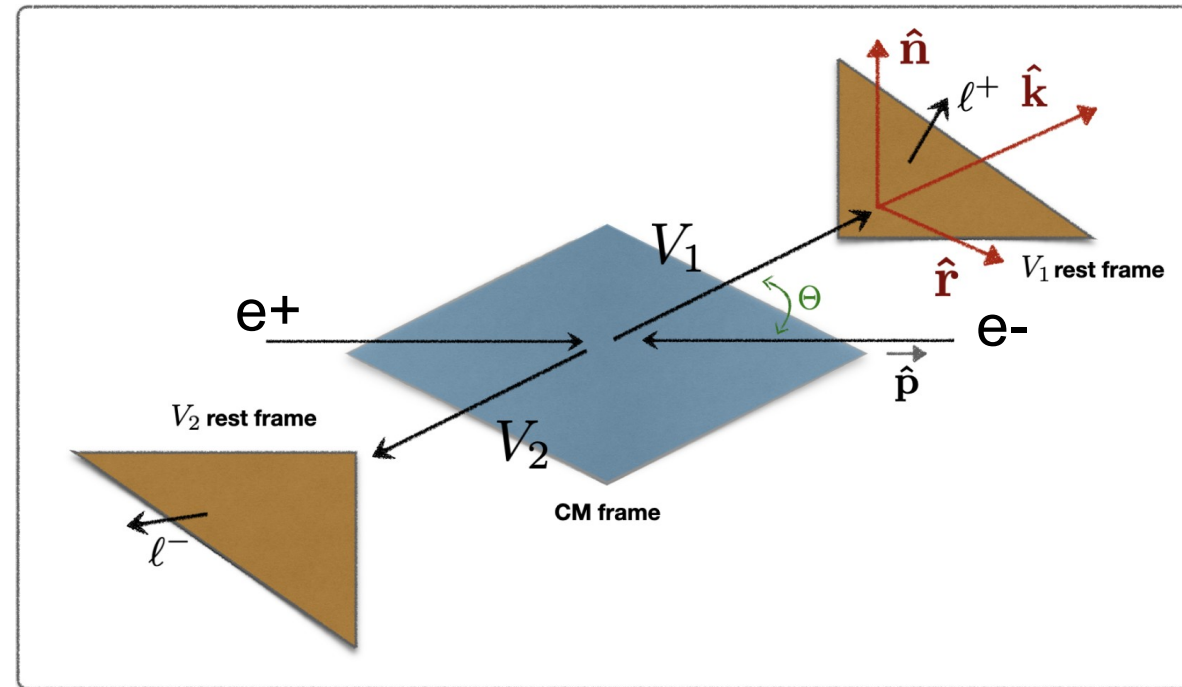
- **first observation of Bell violation** at high energy in B meson decays and in the presence of **WEAK and STRONG** interactions ! (large significance  $\gg 5\sigma$ )
- observation of **Entanglement** (as ATLAS [arXiv:2311.07288] and CMS [CMS-PAS-TOP-23001] results for tops)

Fabbrichesi, Floreanini, EG, Marzola, PRD 109 (2024) 3, L031104 ; arXiv: 2305.04982

# Entanglement & Bell inequalities in spin-1 systems (qutrits)

- Requires the knowledge of the **Polarization Density Matrix (PDM)** of spin-1  $V_1 V_2$  production
- PDM can be fully reconstructed from the angular distributions of the single  $V_1 V_2$  **decay products**

PDM depends only on invariant mass of  $V_1 V_2$  system and on scattering angle  $\theta$  in the  $V_1 V_2$  c.m. frame



- **but it can also be computed analytically**
- knowledge of full **PDM** allows to quantify (where possible) entanglement and Bell inequality violation

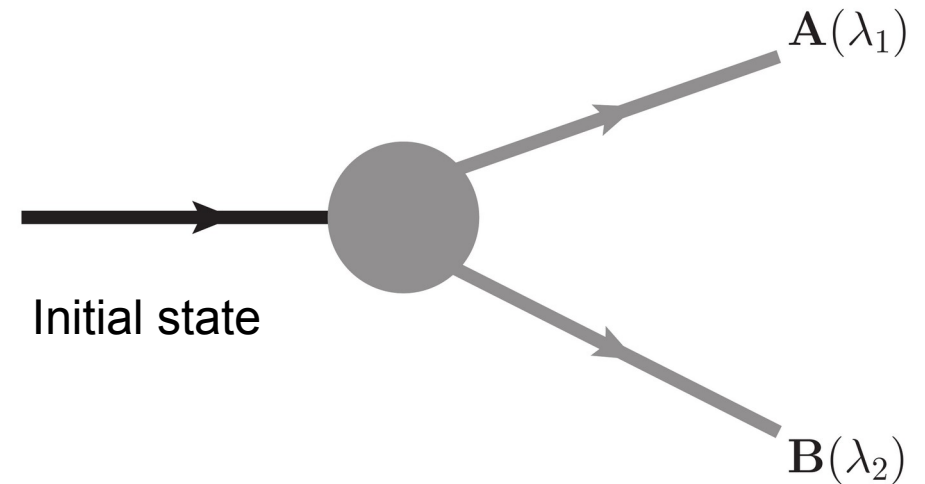
# Polarization density matrix: two final spin-1 particles

- Consider an initial quantum state going into two final **A,B** spin-1 particles

Quantum polarized amplitude  $\mathcal{M}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) =$



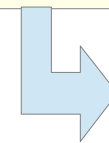
helicities of A,B



- polarization density matrix**

$$\rho(\lambda_1, \lambda'_1, \lambda_2, \lambda'_2) = \frac{\mathcal{M}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \mathcal{M}^\dagger(\lambda'_1, \lambda'_2)}{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2}$$

9x9 matrix



unpolarized

- Two methods available for computing or reconstructing **PDM** of two qutrits
  - ▶ Gell-Mann matrices decomposition (or spherical harmonics basis) → more general
  - ▶ using **helicity amplitudes** → suitable for pure states

# Decomposition of Polarization Density Matrix for qutrits

PDM  $\rho$  can be decomposed on the basis of tensor products of **Gell-Mann matrices**  $T^a$

$$[A \otimes B]_{ii'jj'} = A_{ii'} B_{jj'}$$

9x9 matrix

Unpolarized

$$\rho(\lambda_1, \lambda'_1, \lambda_2, \lambda'_2) = \left( \frac{1}{9} [\mathbb{1} \otimes \mathbb{1}] + \sum_a f_a [\mathbb{1} \otimes T^a] + \sum_a g_a [T^a \otimes \mathbb{1}] + \sum_{ab} h_{ab} [T^a \otimes T^b] \right)_{\lambda_1 \lambda'_1, \lambda_2 \lambda'_2}$$

helicities ↓

$$f_a = \frac{1}{6} \text{Tr} [\rho (\mathbb{1} \otimes T^a)]$$

Spin polarization of particle 1

$$g_a = \frac{1}{6} \text{Tr} [\rho (T^a \otimes \mathbb{1})]$$

Spin polarization of particle 2

$$h_{ab} = \frac{1}{4} \text{Tr} [\rho (T^a \otimes T^b)]$$

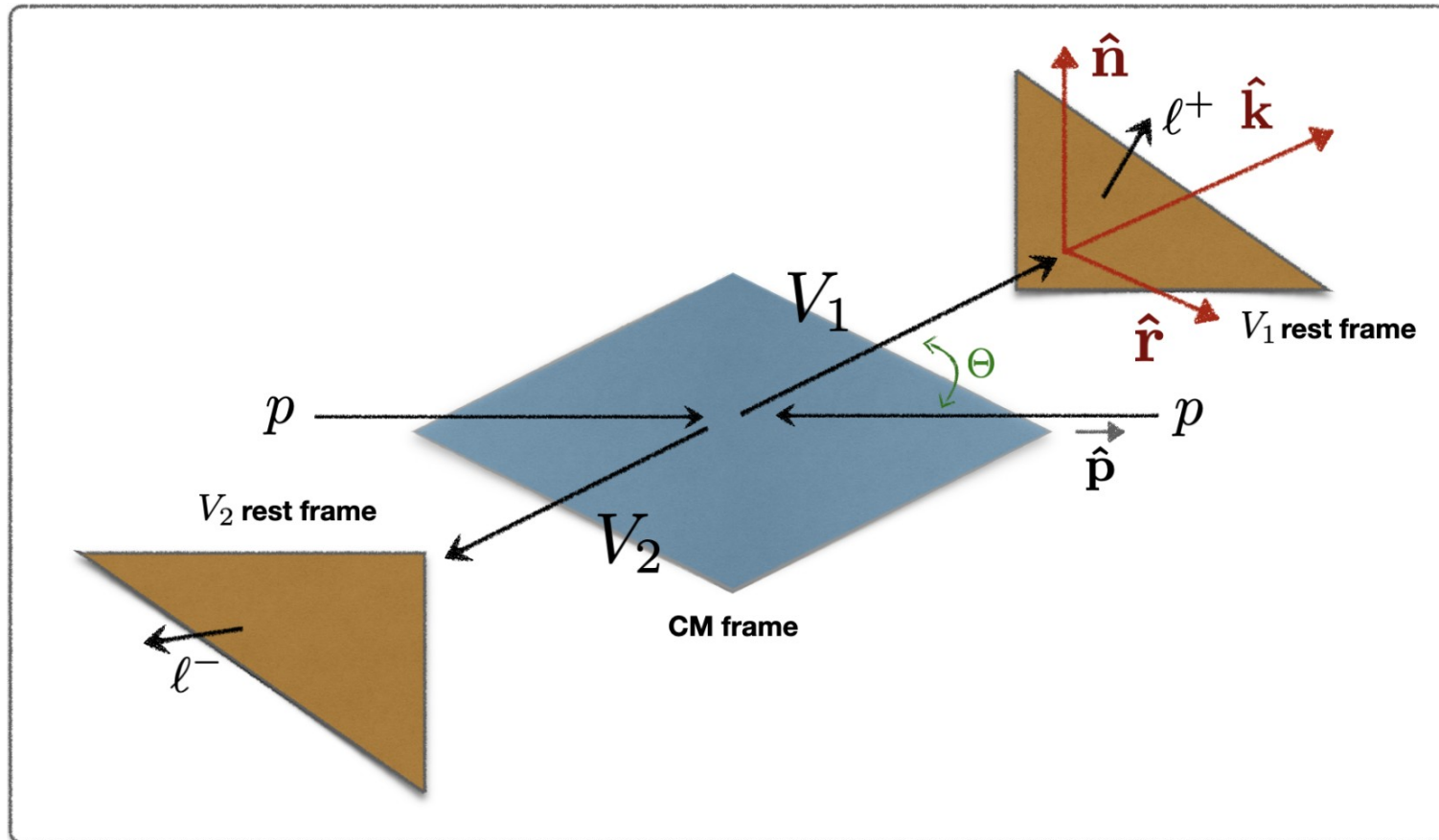
Spin **correlations** of particles 1 and 2

● extract **f,g,h** coefficients from data using the angular distributions of their decay products

Right-handed basis  $\{\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}, \hat{\mathbf{k}}\}$ :

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}} = \cos \Theta.$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}} = \frac{1}{\sin \Theta} (\hat{\mathbf{p}} \times \hat{\mathbf{k}}), \quad \hat{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{1}{\sin \Theta} (\hat{\mathbf{p}} - \cos \Theta \hat{\mathbf{k}})$$



$$d\Omega^\pm = \sin \theta^\pm d\theta^\pm d\phi^\pm$$

phase space written in terms of the spherical coordinates (with independent polar axis) for the momenta of the final charged leptons in the respective rest frames of the decaying spin-1 particles

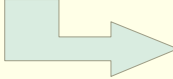
# Extracting PDM for **Two-Qutrits** from data

The following example is for W+ and W- final states, but the method is general

Rahaman, Singh, NPB 984 (2022), arXiv:2109.09345

Differential cross section

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega^+ d\Omega^-} = \left( \frac{3}{4\pi} \right)^2 \text{Tr} \left[ \rho_{V_1 V_2} (\Gamma_+ \otimes \Gamma_-) \right]$$

 Kronecker product

$$d\Omega^\pm = \sin \theta^\pm d\theta^\pm d\phi^\pm \longrightarrow$$

phase space written in terms of the spherical coordinates (with independent polar axis) for the momenta of the final charged leptons in the respective rest frames of the decaying spin-1 particles

$$\rho_{V_1 V_2} = \text{density matrix of } V_1 V_2$$

$\Gamma_\pm \longrightarrow$  Density matrices that describe the polarization of the two spin-1 massive vectors into final leptons (the charged ones assumed to be massless)

(in the case of the W-bosons these are projectors because of their chiral couplings to leptons )

can be computed by **rotating** to an arbitrary polar axis the spin  $\pm 1$  states of gauge bosons from the ones given in the **k-direction** quantization axis

$$\Gamma_{\pm} = \frac{1}{3} \mathbb{1} + \sum_{i=1}^8 q_{\pm}^a T^a$$

Example for the W+ W- final states

→ **Density matrices for W-bosons**

$q_{\pm}^a$  → **Wigner q-symbols** (see backup slides) are functions of the solid angle:  $\Omega^{\pm}$

↓  
set of polynomials  
of spherical  
coordinates  
(see backup slide)

$$h_{ab} = \frac{1}{\sigma} \int \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega^+ d\Omega^-} p_+^a p_-^b d\Omega^+ d\Omega^-$$

$$f_a = \frac{1}{\sigma} \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega^+} p_+^a d\Omega^+$$

$$g_a = \frac{1}{\sigma} \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega^-} p_-^a d\Omega^-$$

$p_{\pm}^n$  a particular set of orthogonal functions →  $\left(\frac{3}{4\pi}\right) \int p_{\pm}^n q_{\pm}^m d\Omega^{\pm} = \delta^{nm}$   
(see backup slides)

For **ZZ** case, the set of functions are linear combinations of  $q_{\pm}^a$  (see backup slides)



# Quantify entanglement

**For pure states**  $\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \Rightarrow \rho^2 = \rho \Rightarrow \text{Tr}[\rho^2] = 1$

● **CONCURRENCE**

$$\mathcal{C}[|\Psi\rangle] = \sqrt{2(1 - \text{Tr}[(\rho_r)^2])}$$

$r = A$  or  $B$

Hill, Wootters, PRL 78 (1997)

P. Rungta et al, PRA 64 (2001)

→ vanish for separable (not entangled) states

Trace performed in the subsystems  $r = A$  or  $B$

**For mixed states**

$$\rho = \sum_i p_i |\Psi_i\rangle\langle\Psi_i|, \quad p_i \geq 0, \quad \sum_i p_i = 1$$

$$\mathcal{C}[\rho] = \inf_{\{|\Psi\rangle\}} \sum_i p_i \mathcal{C}[|\Psi_i\rangle]$$

→ optimization problem  
(analytical solution only for qubit)

● **analytical solution exists for the lower bound**

$$(\mathcal{C}[\rho])^2 \geq \mathcal{C}_2[\rho]$$

Mintert, Buchleitner,  
PRL 98 (2007)

(witness of entanglement)

$$\mathcal{C}_2[\rho] = 2 \max \left( 0, \text{Tr}[\rho^2] - \text{Tr}[(\rho_A)^2], \text{Tr}[\rho^2] - \text{Tr}[(\rho_B)^2] \right)$$

● If **non-vanishing** unequivocally signal the presence of entanglement

● used as observable for **entanglement in WW, ZZ and WZ** productions

# Quantify entanglement for pure states

Fabbrichesi, Floreanini, EG, Marzola

EPJC 83 (2023) 9, 823 ; arXiv: 2302.00683]

- If the bipartite (A,B) system is a pure state it is possible to quantify its entanglement via

## Entropy of entanglement

$$\mathcal{E}[\rho] = -\text{Tr} [\rho_A \log \rho_A] = -\text{Tr} [\rho_B \log \rho_B]$$

Log is in natural basis

equality holds if and only if the bipartite is separable

$$0 \leq \mathcal{E}[\rho] \leq \log d$$

$d = 3$  for qutrits

(Von Neumann Entropy)

- Very useful in the case of Higgs decay into  $H \rightarrow WW^*$  or  $ZZ^*$  (pure state)

# Bell inequality for Two-QUTRITS

- take a bi-partite system with components  $A, B$
- perform two measurements  $\longrightarrow (A_1, A_2) \quad (B_1, B_2)$  each can take values  $\rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$
- consider the following correlator  $\mathcal{I}_3$  for probability measurements

$$\mathcal{I}_3 = P(A_1 = B_1) + P(B_1 = A_2 + 1) + P(A_2 = B_2) + P(B_2 = A_1) \\ - P(A_1 = B_1 - 1) - P(A_1 = B_2) - P(A_2 = B_2 - 1) - P(B_2 = A_1 - 1)$$

can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{I}_3 = \text{Tr} [\rho \mathcal{B}]$$

with  $\mathcal{B}$  a suitable Bell operator

Collins, Gisin, Linden,  
Massar, Popescu, PRL 88 (2002)

## Bell inequalities for two-qutrits

For deterministic local models

$$\mathcal{I}_3 \leq 2$$

QM for qutrits can violate this inequality with upper bound = 4

in order to maximize Bell's inequality

$$\mathcal{B} \rightarrow (U \otimes V)^\dagger \cdot \mathcal{B} \cdot (U \otimes V)$$

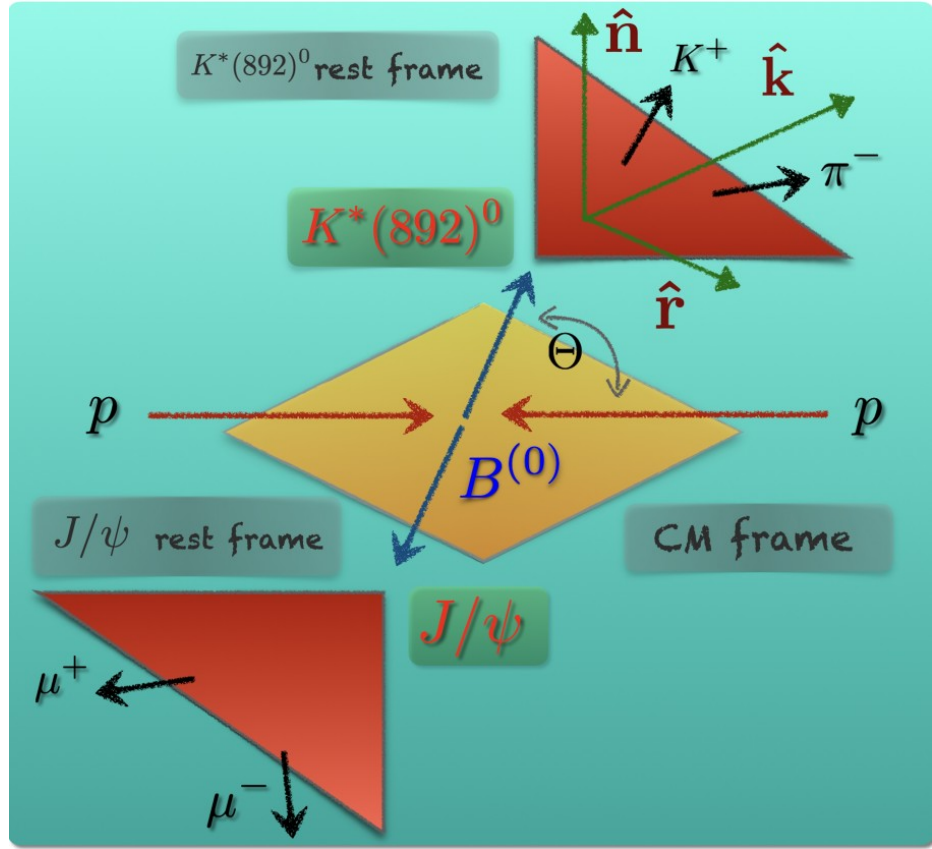
U, V unitary 3x3 matrices

● **first observation of Bell violation** at high energy in B meson decays and in the presence of **WEAK and STRONG** interactions and for **qutrit systems** (spin-1) !

● work based on data from LHCb experiment at CERN [Phys. Rev. D 88, 052002 (2013)]



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	$\mathcal{E}$	$\mathcal{I}_3$
• $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^*(892)^0$ [5]	$0.756 \pm 0.009$	$2.548 \pm 0.015$
• $B^0 \rightarrow \phi K^*(892)^0$ [18]	$0.707 \pm 0.133^*$	$2.417 \pm 0.368^*$
• $B^0 \rightarrow \rho K^*(892)^0$ [19]	$0.450 \pm 0.077^*$	$2.208 \pm 0.151^*$
• $B_s \rightarrow \phi\phi$ [20]	$0.734 \pm 0.037$	$2.525 \pm 0.064$
• $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$ [21]	$0.731 \pm 0.032$	$2.462 \pm 0.080$

CGLMP inequality  $\mathcal{I}_3 < 2$   
(for qutrits)

$$\mathcal{I}_3 = 2.548 \pm 0.015,$$

Significance (to reject the null hypothesis)

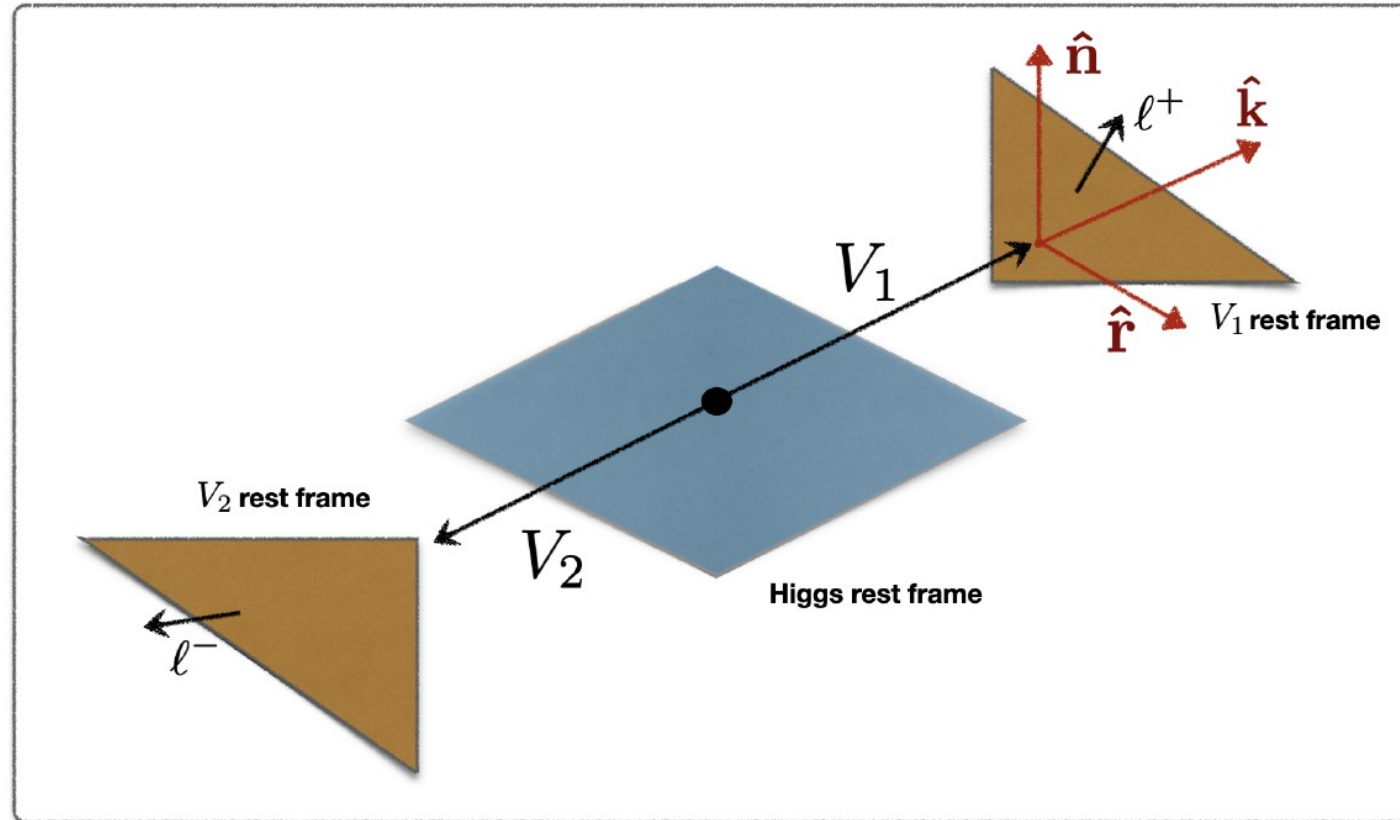
Entanglement (Entropy): **86  $\sigma$**

Bell inequality violation: **36  $\sigma$**

# Di-boson production in Higgs boson decays

EPJC 83 (2023) 9, 823 ; arXiv: 2302.00683

$$H \rightarrow V(k_1, \lambda_1) V^*(k_2, \lambda_2)$$



In the **Higgs boson rest frame** the density matrix of the bipartite  $VV^*$  system does not depend on the scattering angle, but only by the **Higgs mass**, the **V mass** and the off-shell  **$V^*$  mass**

# Di-boson production in Higgs boson decays

A. Barr, PLB 825 (2022) ; 2106.01377

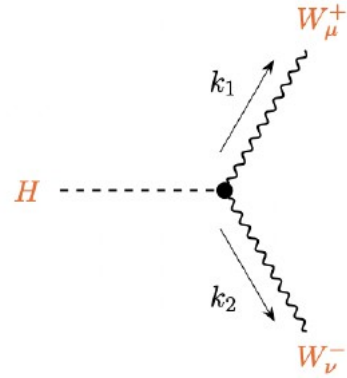
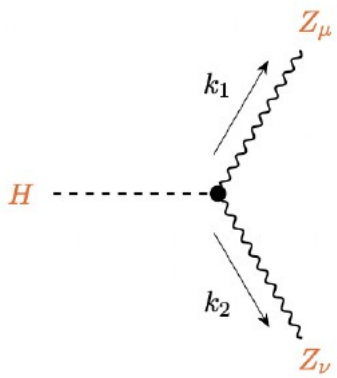
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$$H \rightarrow V(k_1, \lambda_1) V^*(k_2, \lambda_2)$$

Results based on  
EPJC 83 (2023) 9, 823 ; 2302.00683

analytic computation of PDM

PDM extracted from simulation at parton level



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \xi_W = 1, \text{ and } \xi_Z = 1/(2c_W), \text{ with } c_W = \cos \theta_W \\ g \text{ is the weak coupling} \end{array} \right.$$

Weinberg angle

$V^*$  regarded as an off-shell vector boson with mass  $M_V^*$   
mass of V boson  $M_V$

$$M_V^* = f M_V \quad 0 < f < 1$$

## Quantum Amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}_H(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = g M_V \xi_V g_{\mu\nu} \varepsilon^{\mu*}(k_1, \lambda_1) \varepsilon^{\nu*}(k_2, \lambda_2)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_H(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \mathcal{M}_H(\lambda'_1, \lambda'_2)^\dagger = g^2 M_V^2 \xi_V^2 g_{\mu\nu} g_{\mu'\nu'} \mathcal{P}_{\lambda_1 \lambda'_1}^{\mu\mu'}(k_1) \mathcal{P}_{\lambda_2 \lambda'_2}^{\nu\nu'}(k_2)$$

By projecting into the Gell-Mann matrix basis for 2-qrtrits one can extract the **f, g** and **h** coefficients

# Inserting the **f,g** and **h** coefficients into the Gell-Mann basis for 2-qutrits

$$\rho_H = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h_{44} & 0 & h_{16} & 0 & h_{44} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h_{16} & 0 & 2h_{33} & 0 & h_{16} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h_{44} & 0 & h_{16} & 0 & h_{44} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\text{Tr} [\rho_H] = 1$$

density matrix is idempotent

$$\rho_H^2 = \rho_H$$

Signaling that  $H \rightarrow VV^*$  is a **pure state**

$$\rho_H = |\Psi_H\rangle\langle\Psi_H|$$

using the basis

$$|\lambda \lambda'\rangle = |\lambda\rangle \otimes |\lambda'\rangle \text{ with } \lambda, \lambda' \in \{+, 0, -\}$$

where the pure state is

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$$|\Psi_H\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 + \varkappa^2}} [ |+-\rangle - \varkappa |00\rangle + |-+\rangle ]$$

$$\varkappa = 1 + \frac{m_H^2 - (1 + f)^2 M_V^2}{2fM_V^2}$$

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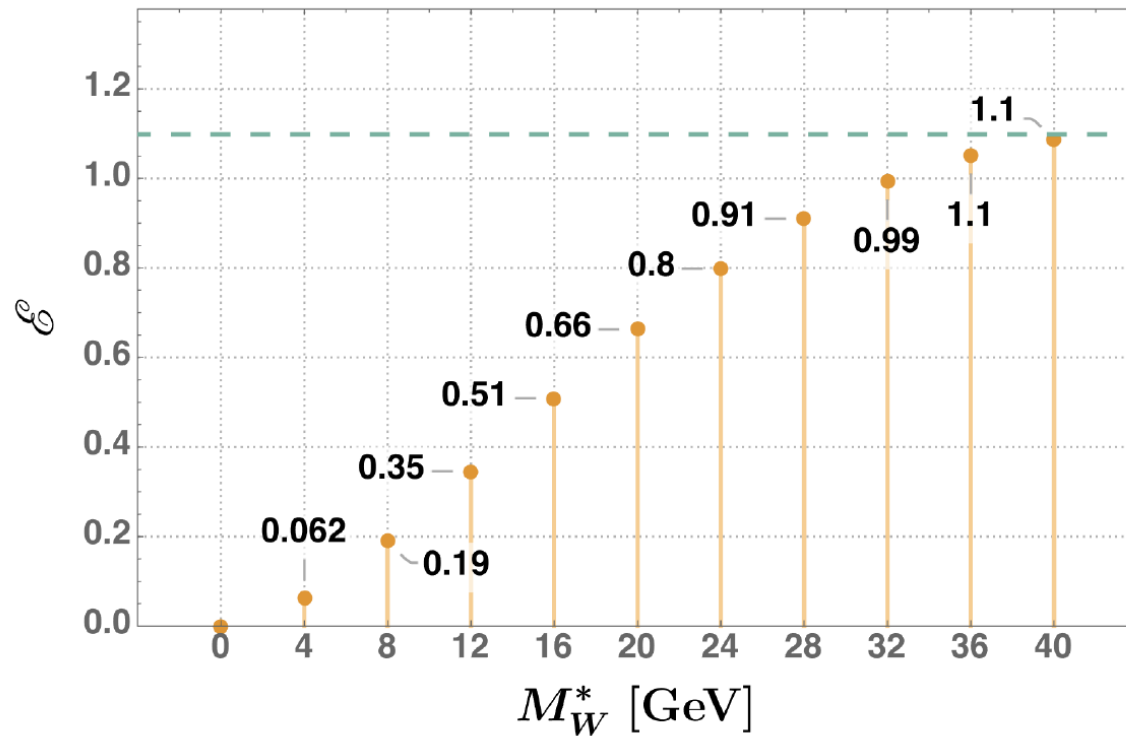
# Entropy of entanglement for $H \rightarrow VV^*$

- Being a pure state we can **quantify** entanglement via **Entropy of entanglement** (Von Neumann Entropy)

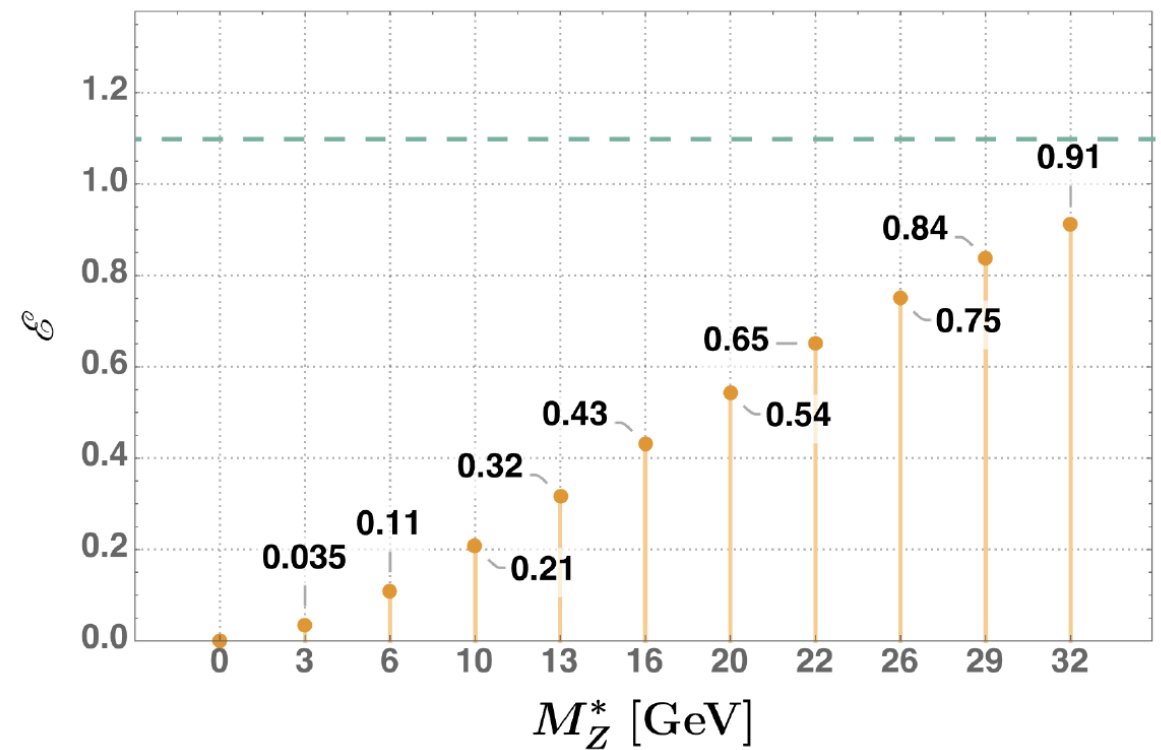
$$\mathcal{E}[\rho] = -\text{Tr} [\rho_A \log \rho_A] = -\text{Tr} [\rho_B \log \rho_B]$$

$$0 \leq \mathcal{E}[\rho] \leq \log 3 \sim 1.01 \quad \text{equality holds if and only if the bipartite is separable}$$

$H \rightarrow WW^*$



$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$



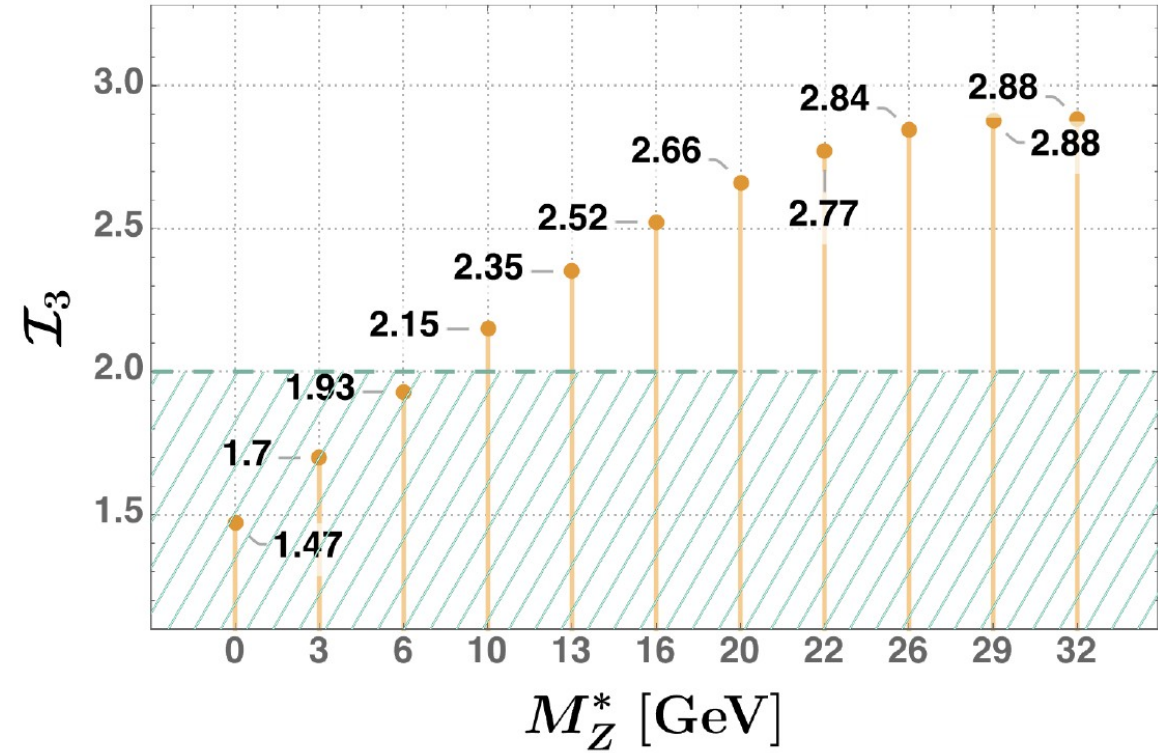
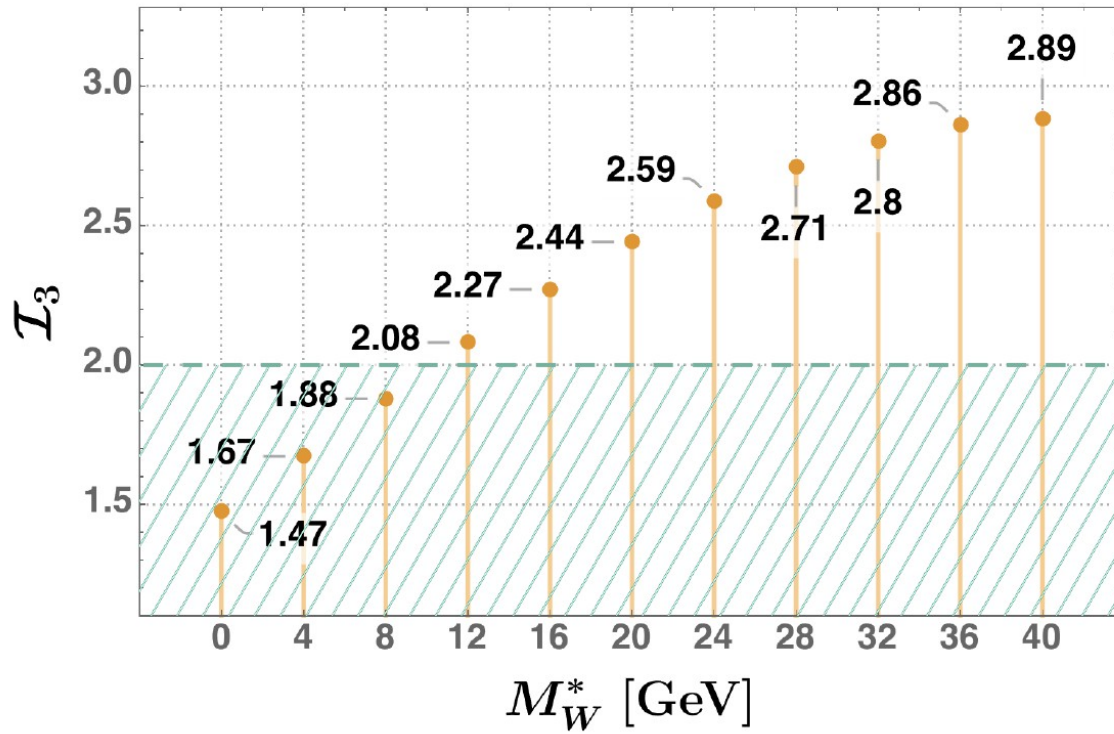


# Bell inequality violation for $H \rightarrow VV^*$

$$\mathcal{I}_3 > 2$$

$$H \rightarrow WW^*$$

$$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$$



Maximization of  $\mathcal{I}_3$  performed point by point as function of  $M_{V^*}$

# Summary of results for $H \rightarrow WW^*$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$

significance  $S$  for rejecting the null hypothesis  $\mathcal{I}_3 \leq 2$

1000 pseudo experiments

$S$  ( $WW^*$ )  $\rightarrow$  uncertainty dominated by the **systematic** error

$S$  ( $ZZ^*$ )  $\rightarrow$  uncertainty dominated by the **statistical** error

LHC Run 2

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1.3

LHC Hi-Lumi

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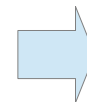
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$\rightarrow$  larger due to smaller uncertainty and higher mean value (2.9)

$ZZ^*$  promising channel at LHC Hi-Lumi

In real simulation a **reduced significance** is expected (systematic uncertainties due to unfolding, background, and detector were neglected or only partially modeled here)

Results are also consistent with analysis of




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where simulations of events have been adopted for the reconstruction of the density matrix

# Constraining $HWW$ and $HZZ$ anomalous couplings with Quantum Tomography

Fabbrichesi, Floreanini, EG, Marzola,  
 JHEP 09 (2023) 195; 2304.02403

 CP-even  
 CP-odd

We use polarization density matrix of the processes

$$H \rightarrow WW^*$$

$$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$$

to constrain anomalous Higgs couplings to  $WW$  and  $ZZ$

$V^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow$  Field strength,  $V=W,Z$   
 $\tilde{V}^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} V_{\alpha\beta}$

Effective Higgs- $VV$  Lagrangian (including SM)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{HVV} = & g m_W W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} H + \frac{g}{2 \cos \theta_W} m_Z Z_\mu Z^\mu H \\ & - \frac{g}{m_W} \left[ \frac{\lambda_1^W}{2} W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu} + \lambda_2^W \left( W^{+\nu} \partial^\mu W_{\mu\nu}^- + \text{H.c.} \right) + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_{CP}^W}{4} W_{\mu\nu}^+ \tilde{W}^{-\mu\nu} \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{\lambda_1^Z}{2} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + \lambda_2^Z Z^\nu \partial^\mu Z_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_{CP}^Z}{4} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}^{\mu\nu} \right] H, \end{aligned}$$

This state can be described in terms of helicity amplitudes  $h_i$

$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|} \left[ h_+ |V(+)\overline{V}^*(-)\rangle + h_0 |V(0)\overline{V}^*(0)\rangle + h_- |V(-)\overline{V}^*(+)\rangle \right]$$

$$h_\lambda = \langle V(\lambda)\overline{V}^*(-\lambda) | -\mathcal{L} | H \rangle \quad \text{with } \lambda = 0, \pm$$

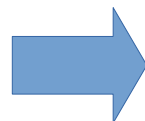
$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = |h_0|^2 + |h_+|^2 + |h_-|^2,$$

$$\rho_H = \frac{1}{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h_+ h_+^* & 0 & h_+ h_0^* & 0 & h_+ h_-^* & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h_0 h_+^* & 0 & h_0 h_0^* & 0 & h_0 h_-^* & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h_- h_+^* & 0 & h_- h_0^* & 0 & h_- h_-^* & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



see backup slide for same density matrix in Gell-Mann basis

$$\rho_H^2 = \rho_H$$



again a pure state!

# observables to constrain anomalous couplings in $H \rightarrow VV^*$

## Entropy of entanglement

$$\mathcal{E}_{ent} = -\text{Tr} [\rho_A \log \rho_A] = -\text{Tr} [\rho_B \log \rho_B] \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{CP-even}$$

## Lower bound on concurrence (entanglement)

$$\mathcal{C}_2 = 2 \max \left[ 0, -\frac{2}{9} - 12 \sum_a f_a^2 + 6 \sum_a g_a^2 + 4 \sum_{ab} h_{ab}^2, \right. \\ \left. -\frac{2}{9} - 12 \sum_a g_a^2 + 6 \sum_a f_a^2 + 4 \sum_{ab} h_{ab}^2 \right]. \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{CP-even}$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{odd} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{a,b \\ a < b}} |h_{ab} - h_{ba}| \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{CP-odd}$$

# Constraining the anomalous couplings in $H \rightarrow VV^*$

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \left[ \frac{O_i(a_V, \tilde{a}_V) - O_i(0, 0)}{\sigma_i} \right]^2 \leq 5.991 \quad \begin{array}{l} 95\% \text{ CL} \\ i=1,2 \end{array}$$

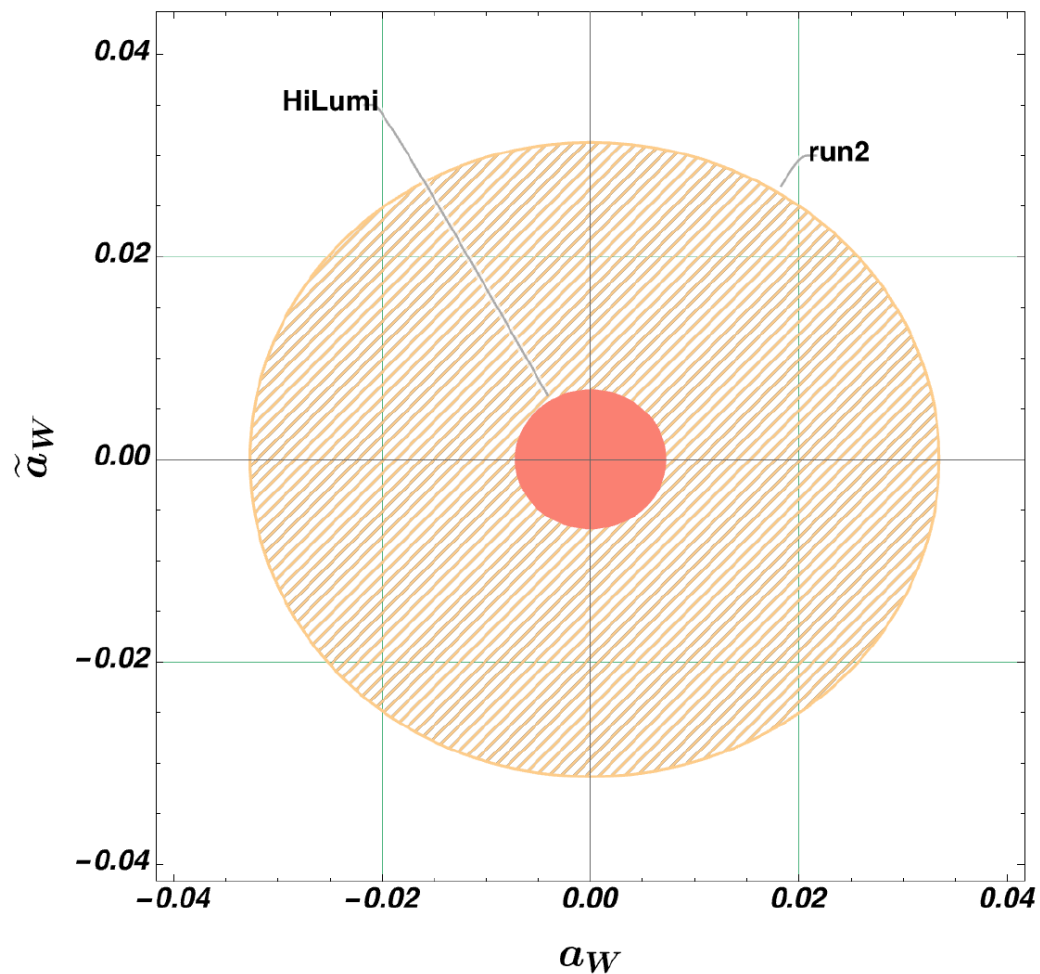
$$m_H = 124 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.04$$

Combinations of two  $O_i$

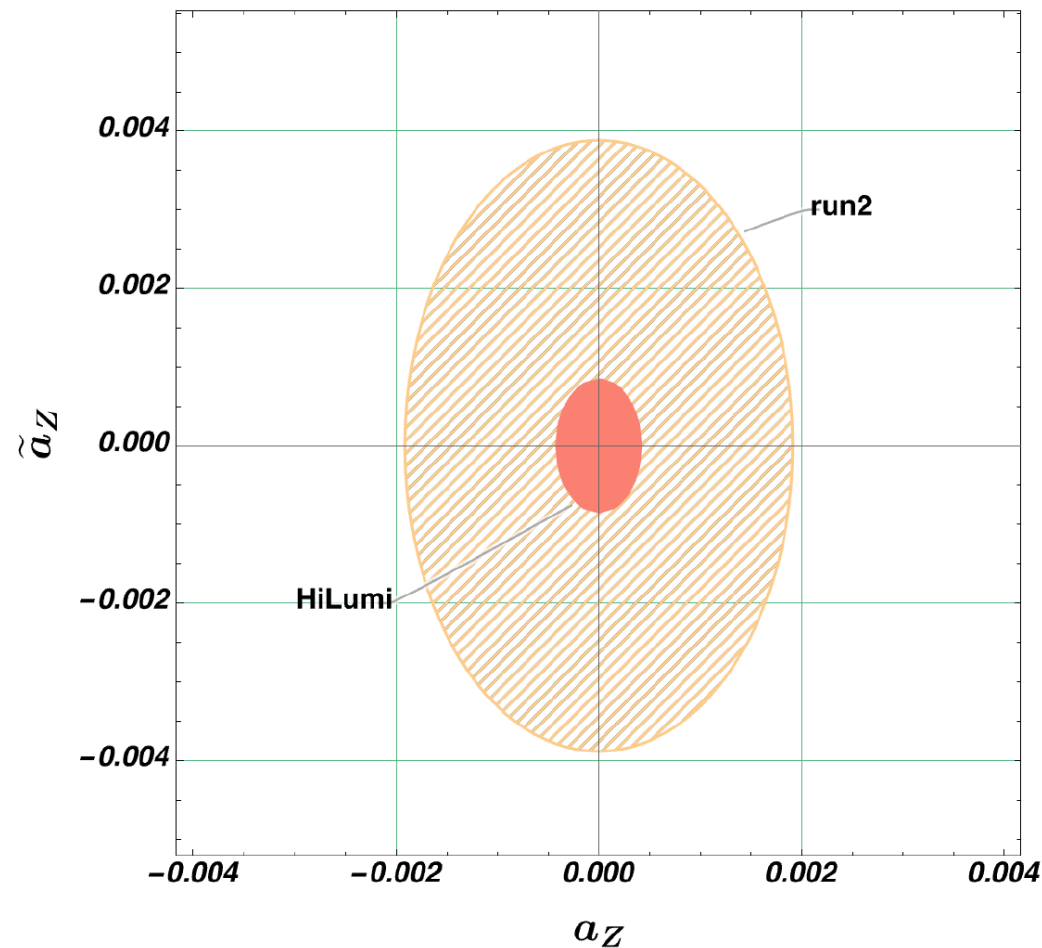
- **Main uncertainty** comes from the measurement of polarizations  $\rightarrow$  originates in the reconstruction of the rest frame of the decaying Higgs boson  $\rightarrow$  related to  $VV^*$  invariant mass
- We propagate uncertainty in the Higgs mass to the operators by means of a Montecarlo simul.  
 $\rightarrow$  giving variances  $\sigma_i^2$  associated to the operators  $O_i$
- Works well for  $ZZ^*$
- For  $WW$  we can determine only transverse mass  $\rightarrow$  comes with an error of 5 GeV for fully leptonic decays, and we take half for semileptonic decays



$H \rightarrow WW^*$



$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$



HiLumi → rescaling run2 uncertainties by

→ ratio of Luminosities  $\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma_i \sqrt{\frac{14}{300}}$

including bckg effects weakens a bit the bounds (see case for ZZ in backup slides)

# 95% CL limits

	<i>LHC</i>	<i>run2</i>	<i>HiLumi</i>
No background		$ a_W  \leq 0.033$	$ a_W  \leq 0.0070$
		$ \tilde{a}_W  \leq 0.031$	$ \tilde{a}_W  \leq 0.0068$
		$ a_Z  \leq 0.0019$	$ a_Z  \leq 0.00040$
		$ \tilde{a}_Z  \leq 0.0039$	$ \tilde{a}_Z  \leq 0.00086$

- Comparison with other theoretical analysis based on polarizations (not entanglement)

$1\sigma$  limits and for  $L=1\text{ab}^{-1}$   $\Rightarrow a_Z = 6.88 \times 10^{-3}$ ,  $\tilde{a}_Z = 9.53 \times 10^{-3}$

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NPB 964 (2021) 115317; 2009.00980

- Comparison with CMS  $f_{g2} = \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma} |a_V|^2$ , and  $f_{g3} = \frac{\sigma_3}{\sigma} |\tilde{a}_V|^2$

Our 95% CL limits  $f_{g2}^Z < 7.8 \times 10^{-6}$ ,  $f_{g3}^Z < 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$

CMS 95% CL limits  $f_{g2}^V < 3.4 \times 10^{-3}$ ,  $f_{g3}^V < 1.4 \times 10^{-2}$



# Di-boson production in pp collisions

$$p p \rightarrow V_1 V_2$$

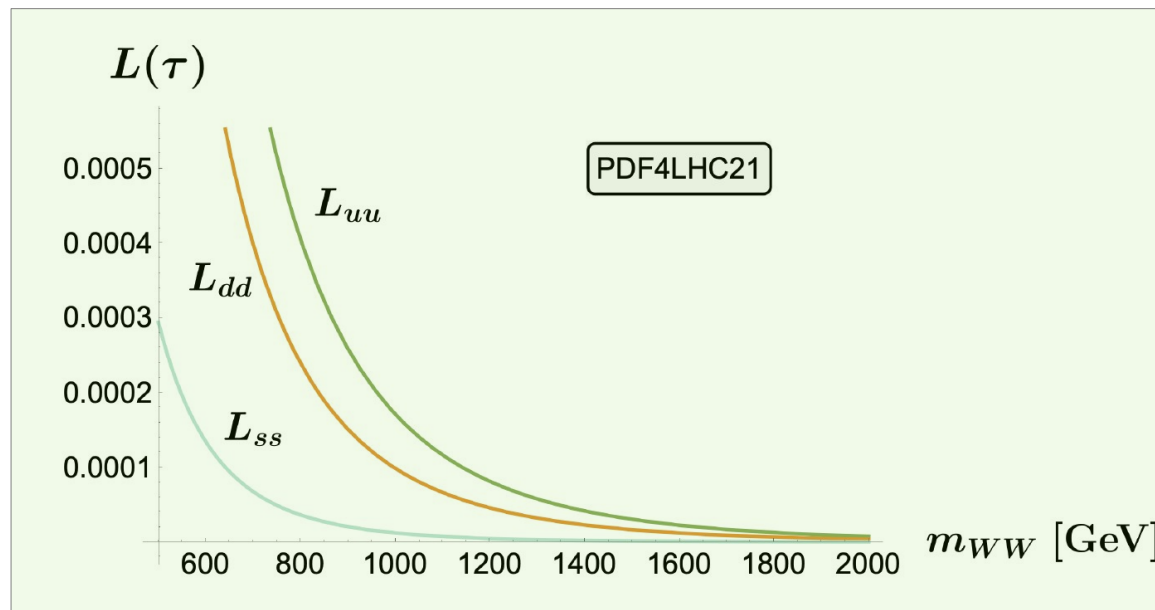
$$V_1, V_2 \in \{W, Z\}$$

Proceeds via the partonic quark-antiquark process

(away from the Higgs resonance)

$$q_1 \bar{q}_2 \rightarrow V_1 V_2$$

weighted by the parton luminosity  $L^{q_1 \bar{q}_1}(\tau)$



parton luminosity of the initial  $q_1 \bar{q}_2$  state

$$L^{q_1 \bar{q}_1}(\tau) = \frac{4\tau}{\sqrt{s}} \int_{\tau}^{1/\tau} \frac{dz}{z} q_{q_1}(\tau z) q_{\bar{q}_2}\left(\frac{\tau}{z}\right)$$

$$\tau = m_{VV} / \sqrt{s}$$

pp c.o.m. energy  
invariant mass of  $V_1 V_2$  system

## Decomposing the polarization matrix density into the Gell-Mann matrix basis

$$\rho(\lambda_1, \lambda'_1, \lambda_2, \lambda'_2) = \left( \frac{1}{9} [\mathbb{1} \otimes \mathbb{1}] + \sum_a f_a [\mathbb{1} \otimes T^a] + \sum_a g_a [T^a \otimes \mathbb{1}] + \sum_{ab} h_{ab} [T^a \otimes T^b] \right)_{\lambda_1 \lambda'_1, \lambda_2 \lambda'_2}$$

we obtain for the **h** correlations coefficients in VV production  $\longrightarrow$  depend also on **scattering angle**  $\ominus$

$$h_{ab}[m_{VV}, \Theta] = \frac{\sum_{q=u,d,s} L^{q\bar{q}}(\tau) \left( \tilde{h}_{ab}^{q\bar{q}}[m_{VV}, \Theta] + \tilde{h}_{ab}^{q\bar{q}}[m_{VV}, \Theta + \pi] \right)}{\sum_{q=u,d,s} L^{q\bar{q}}(\tau) \left( A^{q\bar{q}}[m_{VV}, \Theta] + A^{q\bar{q}}[m_{VV}, \Theta + \pi] \right)}$$

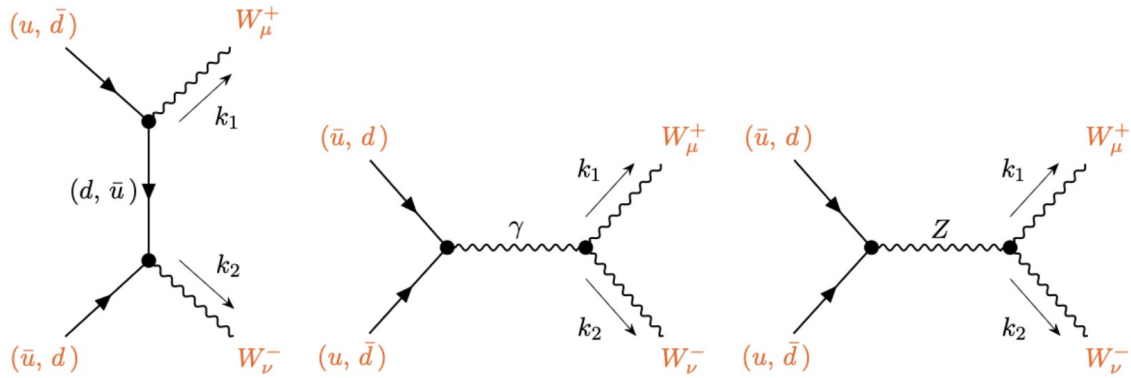
and analogously for the  $f_a$  and  $g_a$  correlation coefficients, where

$$\tilde{h}_{ab} = A^{q\bar{q}} h_{ab}$$

$A^{q\bar{q}}$  = unpolarized square amplitude of the partonic process

- main **uncertainty** on the correlation coefficients comes from the missing higher order **QCD corrections**
- giving approx a **10% uncertainty** on the main entanglement observables
- **other theoretical uncertainties**, mainly from PDF and other SM inputs, is **negligible**  $\longrightarrow$  of the order of **permille** effect

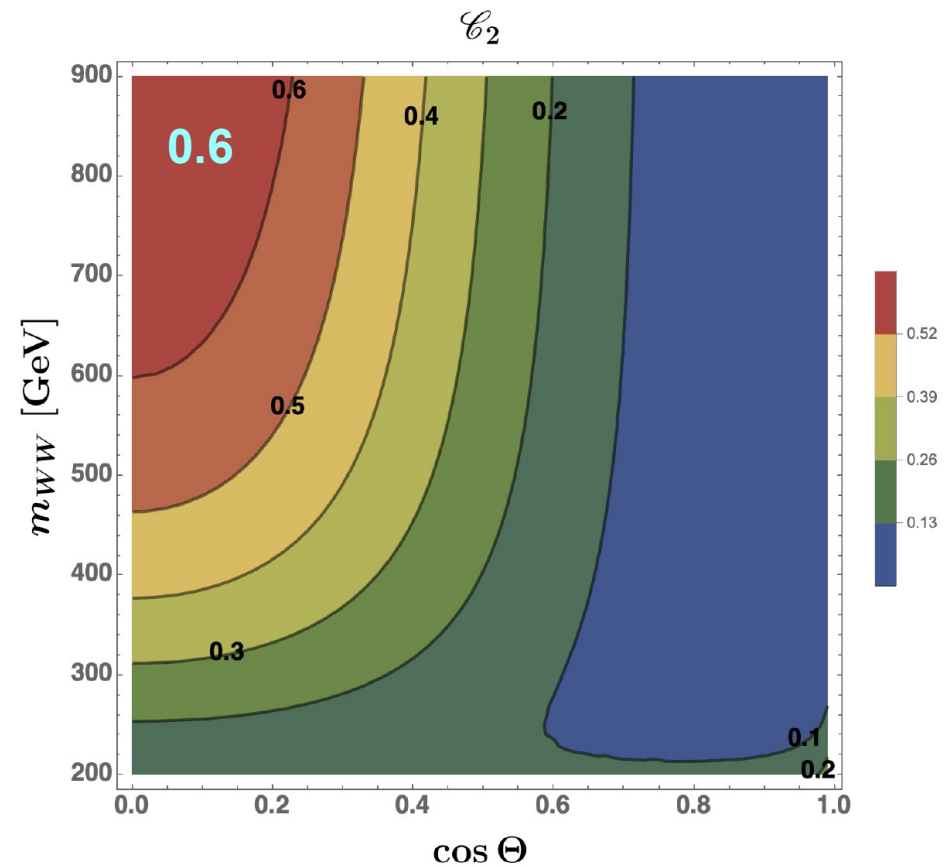
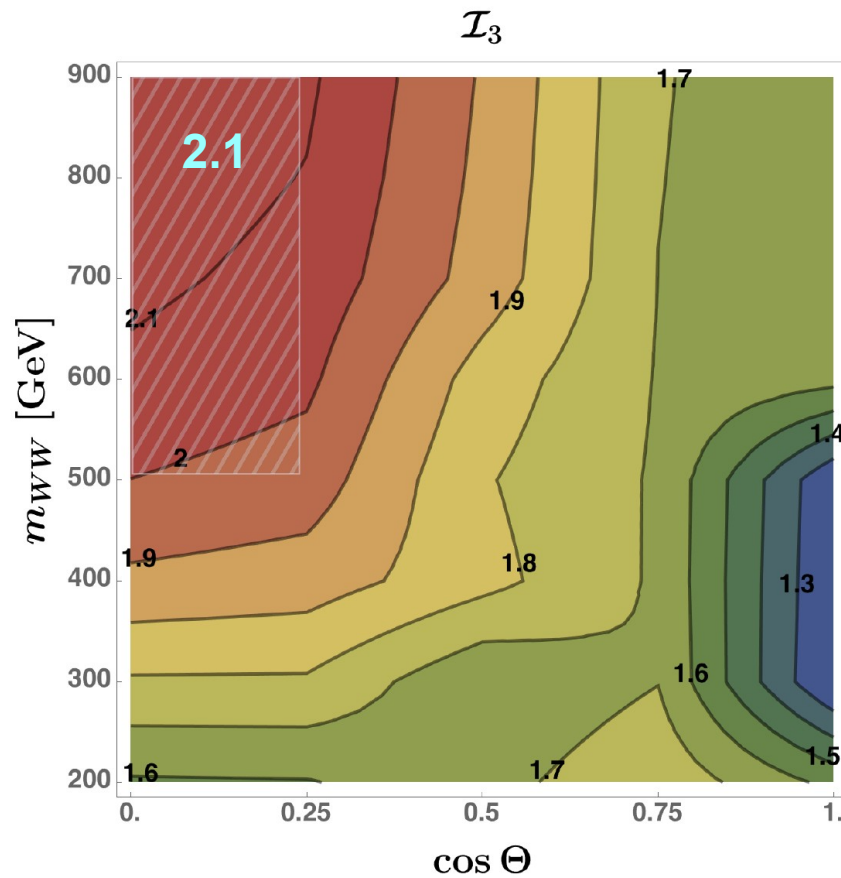
$$pp \rightarrow W^+W^-$$



optimization for **maximum value** of  $\mathcal{I}_3$  of Bell's inequality violation is employed point by point in the  $\Theta - m_{WW}$  space

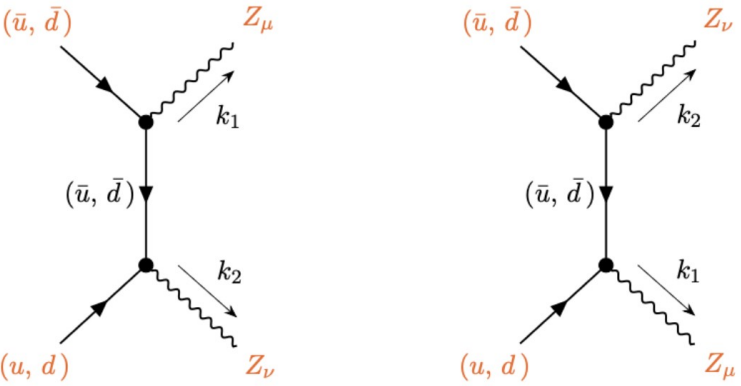
$$\mathcal{B} \rightarrow (U \otimes V)^\dagger \cdot \mathcal{B} \cdot (U \otimes V)$$

(see backup slides for their expressions in hatched area)



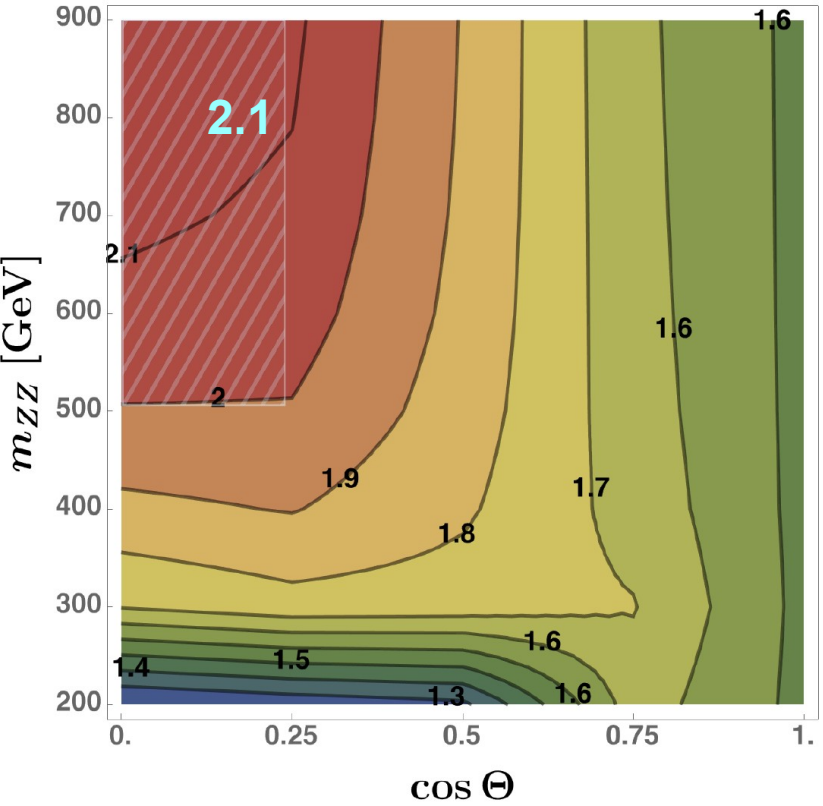
hatched area in the left-plot for  $\mathcal{I}_3 > 2$  indicates bin used as reference for our estimation of the significance (see next slides)

# $pp \rightarrow ZZ$

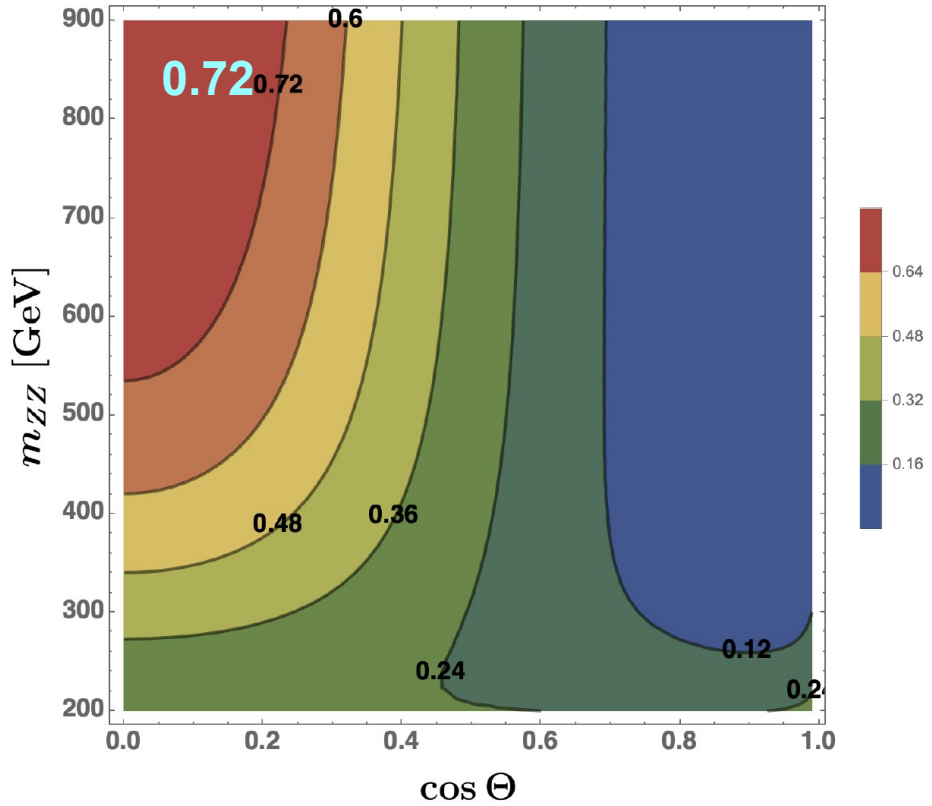


- same strategy as in WW for optimization of maximum value of Bell's inequality violation
- reduced effect for Bell violations with respect to WW, but error is smaller being dominated by statistics

$\mathcal{I}_3$



$\mathcal{C}_2$



hatched area in the left-plot for  $\mathcal{I}_3 > 2$  indicates bins used as reference for our estimation of the significance (see next slides)

# Bell's inequalities in Di-boson production at LHC

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$$pp \rightarrow W^+W^- \quad pp \rightarrow ZZ \quad pp \rightarrow WZ$$

(backup slides for details)

- not sufficient N. of events to test Bell's inequalities with large significance in the relevant kinematic region
- $pp \rightarrow WW$  largely affected by systematic error induced by the missing neutrino momentum reconstruction
- $pp \rightarrow ZZ$  is the most promising channel

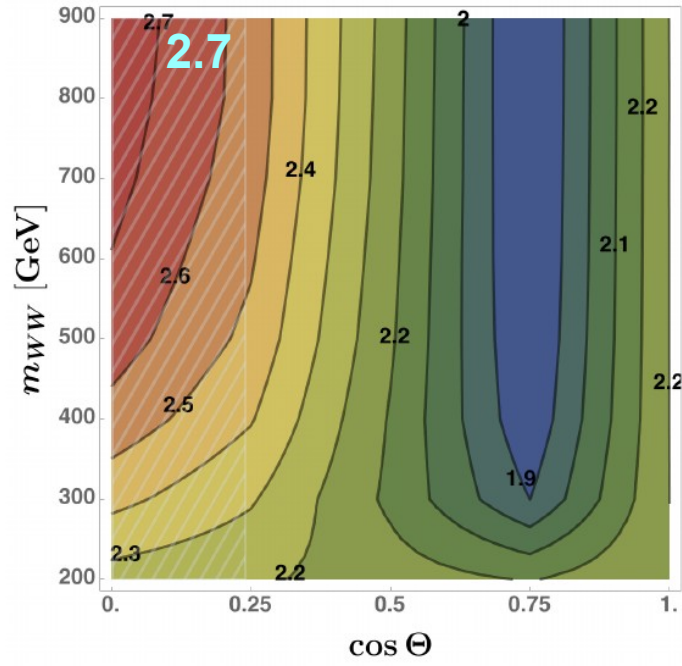
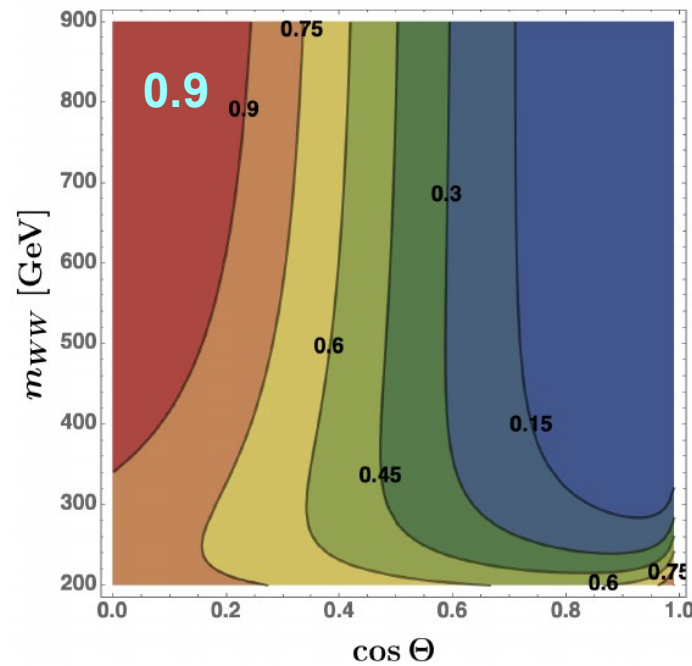
At Hi-lumi **significance more than 2** to reject the null hypothesis

- estimates of significance expected to be reduced by a full simulation analysis



# Lepton colliders

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow W^+ W^-$$

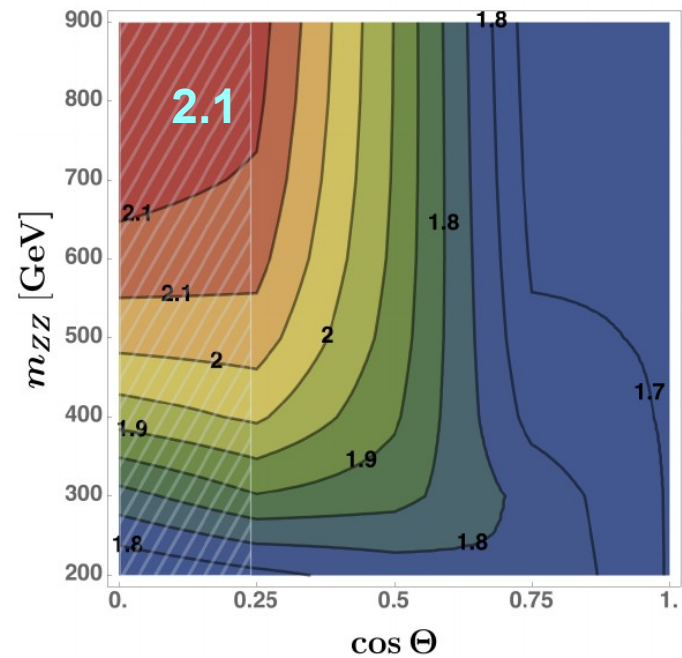
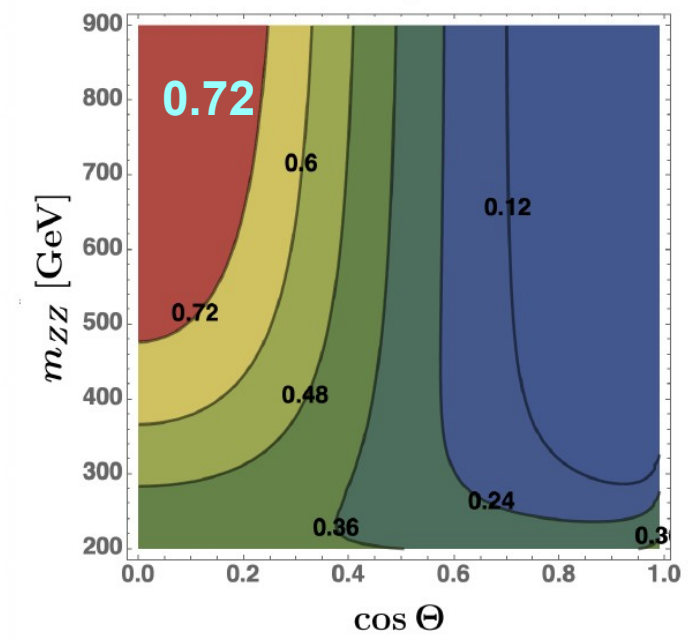
 $\mathcal{I}_3$ 

 $\mathcal{C}_2$ 


$$h_{ab}[m_{WW}, \Theta] = \frac{\tilde{h}_{ab}^{\ell\bar{\ell}}[m_{WW}, \Theta]}{A^{\ell\bar{\ell}}[m_{WW}, \Theta]},$$

$$f_a[m_{WW}, \Theta] = \frac{\tilde{f}_a^{\ell\bar{\ell}}[m_{WW}, \Theta]}{A^{\ell\bar{\ell}}[m_{WW}, \Theta]},$$

$$g_a[m_{WW}, \Theta] = \frac{\tilde{g}_a^{\ell\bar{\ell}}[m_{WW}, \Theta]}{A^{\ell\bar{\ell}}[m_{WW}, \Theta]},$$

absence of PDF increases entanglement and Bell violations in WW

 $\mathcal{I}_3$ 

 $\mathcal{C}_2$ 


$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow Z Z$$

ZZ channel not much different than LHC  $\rightarrow$  due to the fact that PDF almost factorize (t,u channels)

# Lepton colliders : events and sensitivity



promising channel

$$\sqrt{s} = 1 \text{ TeV}$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 368 \text{ GeV}$$

$$(\text{muon}) \mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$$

$$(\text{FCC}) \mathcal{L} = 1.5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$$

events

44

748

$$m_{WW} > 200 \text{ GeV and } \cos \Theta < 0.25$$

Significance to reject null hypothesis:

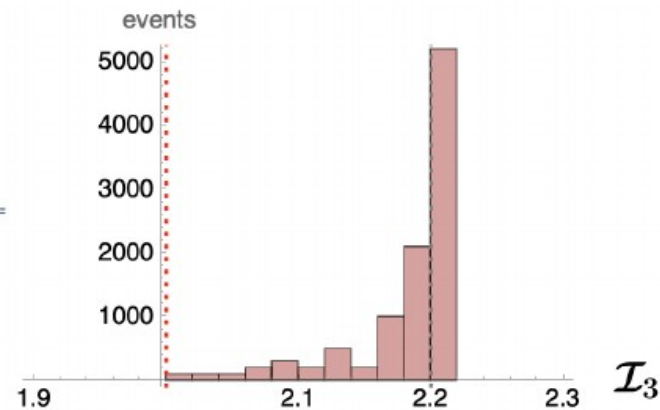
2 @ muon collider and > 4 @ FCC

- Events computed with MADGRAPH@LO
- Efficiency 70% in each lepton identification → n. of events reduced accordingly
- only statistic error assumed
- no background considered

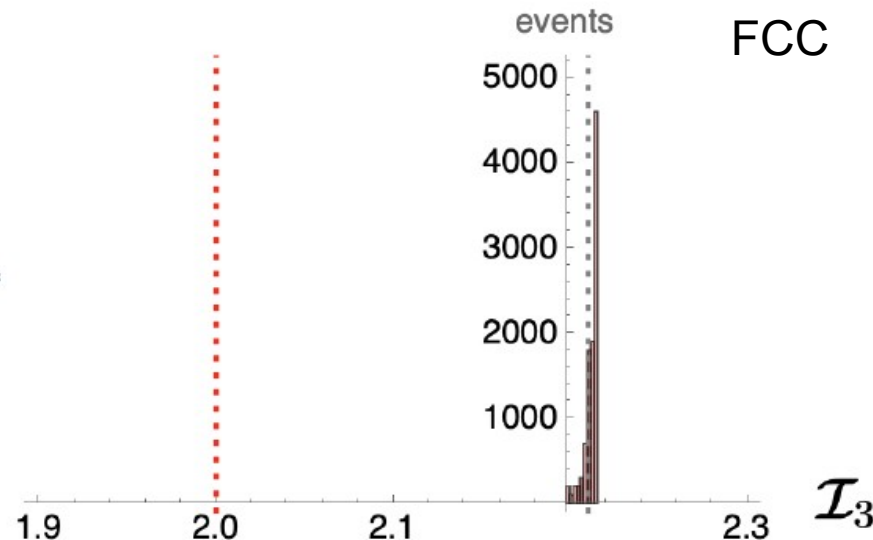
FCC significance is larger than muon collider due to larger n. of events at FCC (statistical error reduced)

10<sup>4</sup> pseudo experiments

$\mathcal{I}_3 = 2.2$   
Muon collider



$\mathcal{I}_3 = 2.2$



# Summary

- Quantum tomography in diboson production is a very powerful tool
- require the knowledge of **polarization density matrix**
- that can be fully reconstructed from decay products of W and Z
- **and allow to investigate quantum entanglement and Bell inequality violation**
  
- Entanglement in diboson production difficult to quantify in general case (mixtures)  
(but we can use lower bound on concurrence as witness of entanglement)
- It is possible to quantify entanglement in pure states  $H \rightarrow VV^*$  (using **Entropy**)
  
- Large significance ( $> 5\sigma$ ) to observe entanglement and Bell inequality violation in  
 $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$  expected at LHC Hi-Lumi
  
- Entanglement as powerful tool to constrain **anomalous couplings in  $H \rightarrow VV^*$**



# Backup slides

● **Matrix element of two-Vector Boson production**  $\bar{q}(p_1) q(p_2) \rightarrow V_1(k_1, \lambda_1) V_2(k_2, \lambda_2)$

$$\mathcal{M}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} \varepsilon^{\mu*}(k_1, \lambda_1) \varepsilon^{\nu*}(k_2, \lambda_2)$$

**Density matrix**

$$\rho(\lambda_1, \lambda'_1, \lambda_2, \lambda'_2) =$$

**9 x 9 matrix**

covariant expression

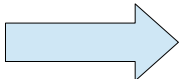
$$\frac{\mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{M}_{\mu'\nu'}^\dagger \mathcal{P}_{\lambda_1 \lambda'_1}^{\mu\mu'}(k_1) \mathcal{P}_{\lambda_2 \lambda'_2}^{\nu\nu'}(k_2)}{|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2}$$

↓ unpolarized matrix element square

$$\mathcal{P}_{\lambda\lambda'}^{\mu\nu}(p) = \varepsilon^\mu(p, \lambda)^* \varepsilon^\nu(p, \lambda')$$

(spin-1 eigenstates **at rest**)

**k**=axis of spin-quantization



$$\psi_{\pm} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\pm \hat{\mathbf{n}} + i \hat{\mathbf{r}}) \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_0 = \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

● How to related spin-1 eigenstates at rest to the boosted frame ? (see next slide)

## covariant polarization vector of spin-1

rest frame limit

$$\varepsilon^\mu(p, \lambda) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\lambda| (\lambda n_1^\mu + i n_2^\mu) + (1 - |\lambda|) n_3^\mu$$

$$\varepsilon^\mu(p, \lambda) \xrightarrow{(\beta \rightarrow 0)} \psi_\pm, \psi_0$$

helicity  $\lambda = \pm 1, 0$

$\beta$  is the velocity

boosted base

$$n_1^\mu = (0, \hat{\mathbf{n}}), \quad n_2^\mu = (0, \hat{\mathbf{r}}), \quad n_3^\mu = \frac{E}{M}(\beta, \hat{\mathbf{k}})$$

## Covariant Projector

$$\mathcal{P}_{\lambda\lambda'}^{\mu\nu}(p) = \varepsilon^\mu(p, \lambda)^* \varepsilon^\nu(p, \lambda')$$

master formula

$$\varepsilon^{0123} = 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left( -g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{p^\mu p^\nu}{M^2} \right) \delta_{\lambda\lambda'} - \frac{i}{2M} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\alpha n_\beta^i (S_i)_{\lambda\lambda'} - \frac{1}{2} n_i^\mu n_j^\nu (S_{ij})_{\lambda\lambda'}$$

$S_i, i \in \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow$  rotation matrices for spin-1 particle

H.S. Song, *Lett. Nuovo Cim.* 25 (1979)  
S.Y. Choi, T. Lee, H.S. Song, *PRD* 40 (1989)  
Fabbrichesi, Floreanini, EG, Marzola,  
2302.00683 [hep-ph]

$$S_{ij} = S_i S_j + S_j S_i - \frac{4}{3} \mathbb{1} \delta_{ij} \quad (\text{see backup slides})$$

basis correspondence for  $(S_i)_{\lambda\lambda'}$   $|+\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |-\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  corresponding to eigenevalues  $\lambda = \pm 1, 0$

# Sensitivity to the Bell violation

$$H \rightarrow WW^* \quad ZZ^*$$

		$l^+ \nu_e l^- \bar{\nu}_e$	$l^- l^+ l^- l^+$
<u>LHC run2</u>	$(\mathcal{L} = 140 \text{ fb}^{-1})$	4571	28
<u>Hi-Lumi</u>	$(\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1})$	$9.8 \times 10^3$	589

cuts in  $V^*$  invariant mass: 40 GeV for  $WW^*$  and 30 GeV for  $ZZ^*$

- we used **MADGRAPH5 @ LO** corrected by k factors at **N3LO + N3LL**  
Bonvini, Marzani, Muselli, Rottoli, JHEP 08, 105 (2016) 1603.08000 [hep-ph]
- take into account **efficiency (70%)** in the identification of final leptons
- events reduced of **25% for  $ZZ^*$**  and **50% for  $WW^*$**

- backgrounds can be efficiently reduced after considering topology of final states and use of suitable cuts
- we neglect all background effects in our assessment of significance
- We model uncertainty as a Gaussian dispersion in the determination of the **mass of the off-shell weak boson** controlled by the number of events
- For the  $WW^*$  we add a **systematic error** taking into account uncertainty in the reconstruction of  $W^*$  mass, taking as benchmark value = **5 GeV** for the **systematic error** in reconstruction of neutrino momenta

# Relations between helicity amplitudes $h_i$ and $h_{ab}$ , $f_a$ , $g_a$ , of Gell-Mann basis

$$\hat{h}_- \hat{h}_-^* = \frac{1}{9} \left[ 1 + 3\sqrt{3} (f_8 - 2g_8 - 2h_{38}) + 9f_3 - 6h_{88} \right],$$

$$\hat{h}_0 \hat{h}_-^* = h_{16} + i (h_{17} - h_{26}) + h_{27},$$

$$\hat{h}_+ \hat{h}_-^* = h_{44} + i (h_{45} - h_{54}) + h_{55},$$

$$\hat{h}_0 \hat{h}_0^* = \frac{1}{9} \left[ 1 - 9(f_3 + g_3 - h_{33}) + 3\sqrt{3} (f_8 + g_8 - h_{38} - h_{83}) + 3h_{88} \right],$$

$$\hat{h}_+ \hat{h}_0^* = h_{61} + i (h_{62} - h_{71}) + h_{72},$$

$$\hat{h}_+ \hat{h}_+^* = \frac{1}{9} \left[ 1 + 3\sqrt{3} (g_8 - 2f_8 - 2h_{83}) + 9g_3 - 6h_{88} \right],$$

# Including background for $H \rightarrow Z\ell^+\ell^-$

$$\rho_{ZZ} = \alpha \rho_{H \rightarrow ZZ} + (1 - \alpha) \rho_{\text{BCKG}} \quad 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$$

Main EW background

$$pp \rightarrow \bar{Z}Z / Z\gamma \rightarrow 4\ell$$

$$S / (S + B)$$

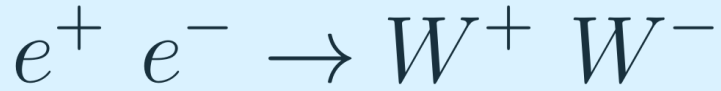
We take  $\alpha = 0.8$  corresponding to bckg 4 times smaller than signal

<i>LHC</i>	<i>run2</i>	<i>HiLumi</i>
	$ a_Z  \leq 0.0028$	$ a_Z  \leq 0.00062$
	$ \tilde{a}_Z  \leq 0.0039$	$ \tilde{a}_Z  \leq 0.00086$



bckg effects as expected weakens a bit the bounds

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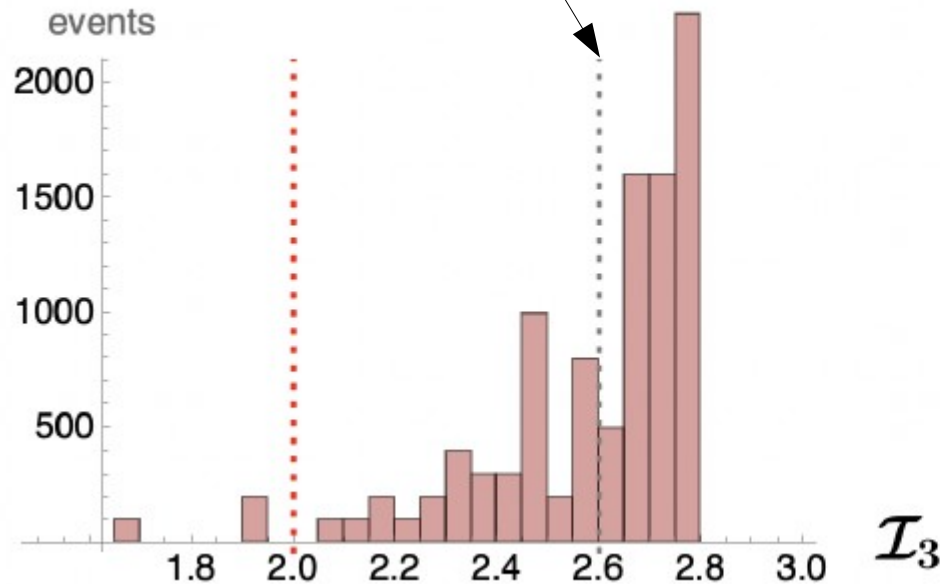
$$5.8 \times 10^4$$

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- systematic error due to missing neutrino in WW mass reconstruction largely dominates against statistical one
- no background considered

mean value = 2.6



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