

EFT concepts for experimental analyses

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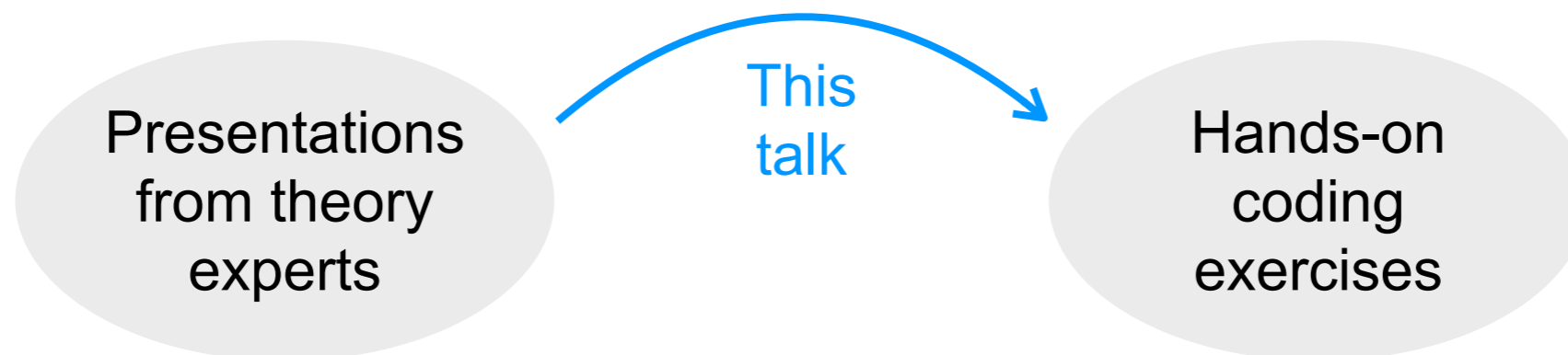
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Tutorial Day:	April 22
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Goal of the talk

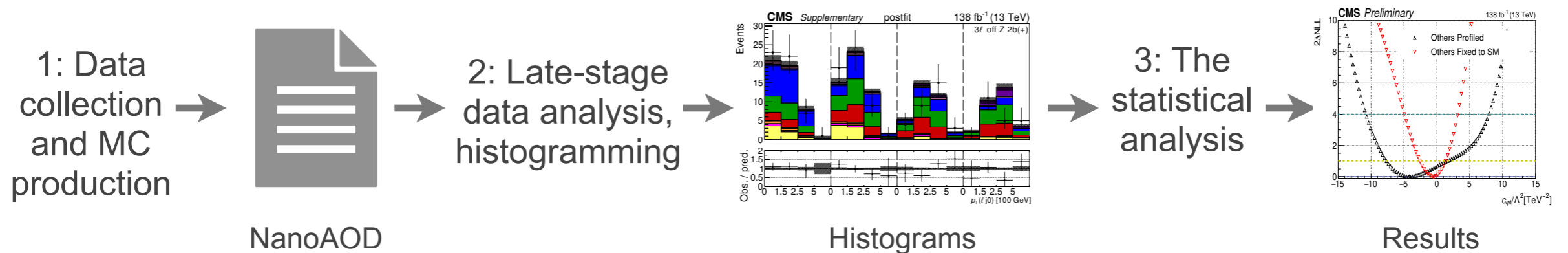
- Goal of this talk is to take what we learned from the theory talks, and discuss how it applies to doing an experimental EFT analysis
- I.e. we will try to bridge the gap between the preceding theory talks, and the following hands-on tutorial
- Aim to get a conceptual understanding of the code that we'll work through next



Introduction to experimental EFT

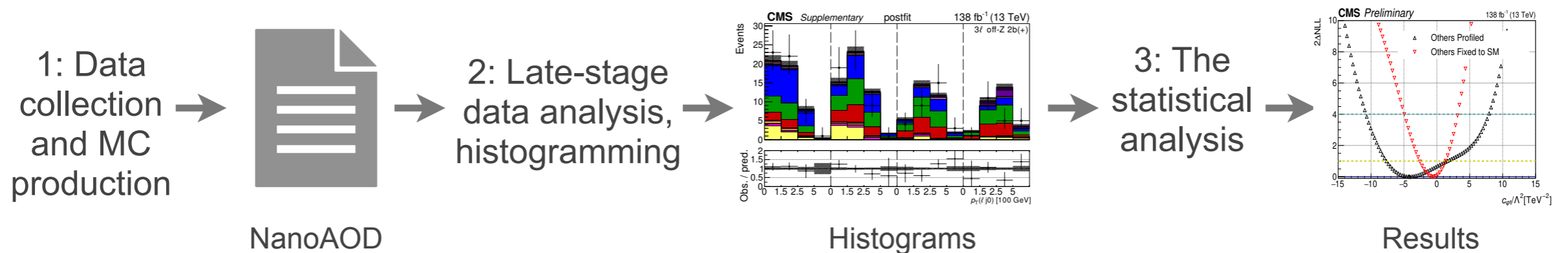
The big-picture **experimental goal** is to **compare EFT prediction to data in order to extract confidence intervals for the WCs** (Wilson Coefficients), involves three main steps:

1. Generate MC that incorporates the EFT into the prediction
2. Perform selection to obtain the events of interest, summarized in histogram objects
3. Perform a statistical analysis to compare the prediction to the observation and extract confidence intervals



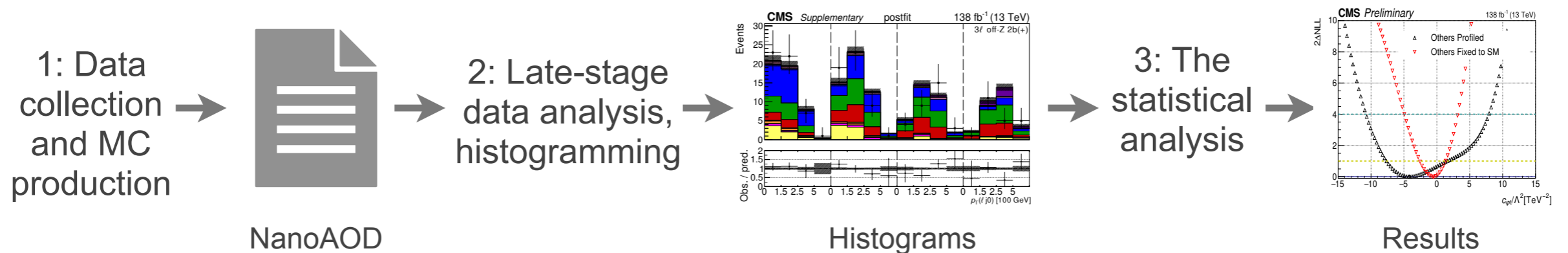
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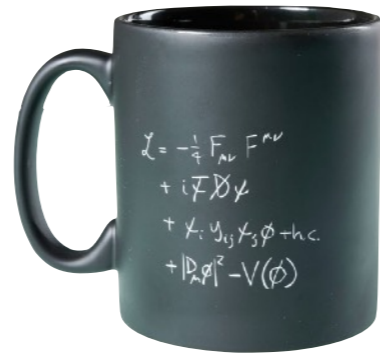
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Higher order corrections
(think Taylor series)

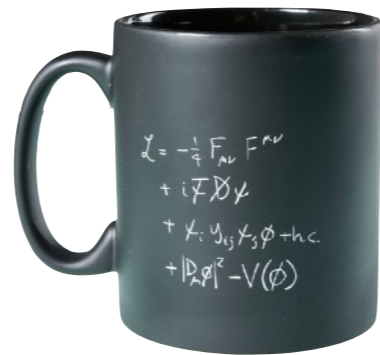
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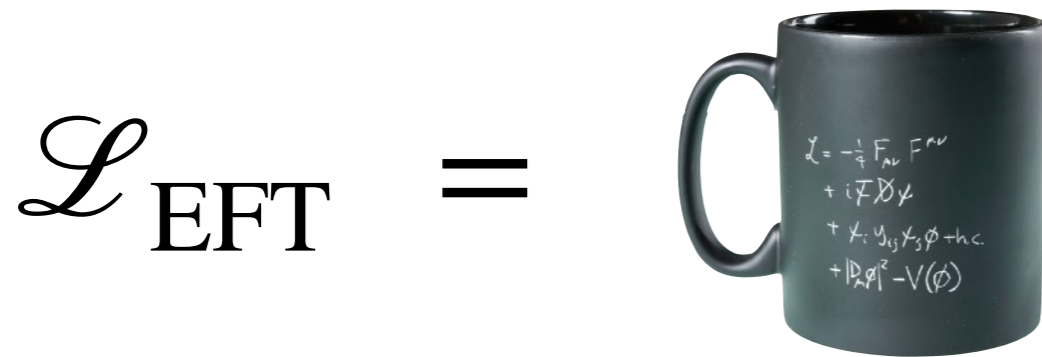
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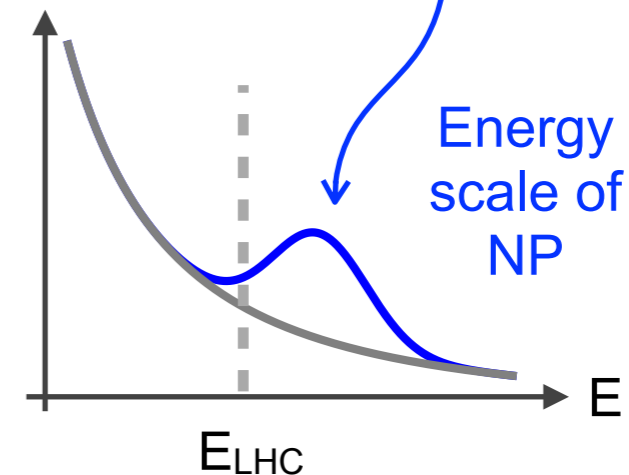
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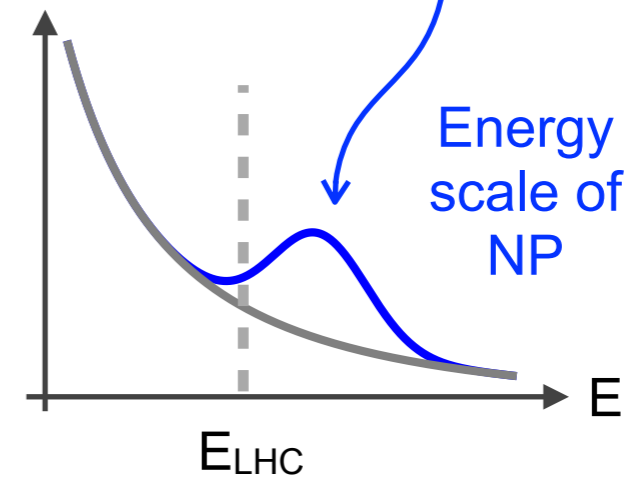
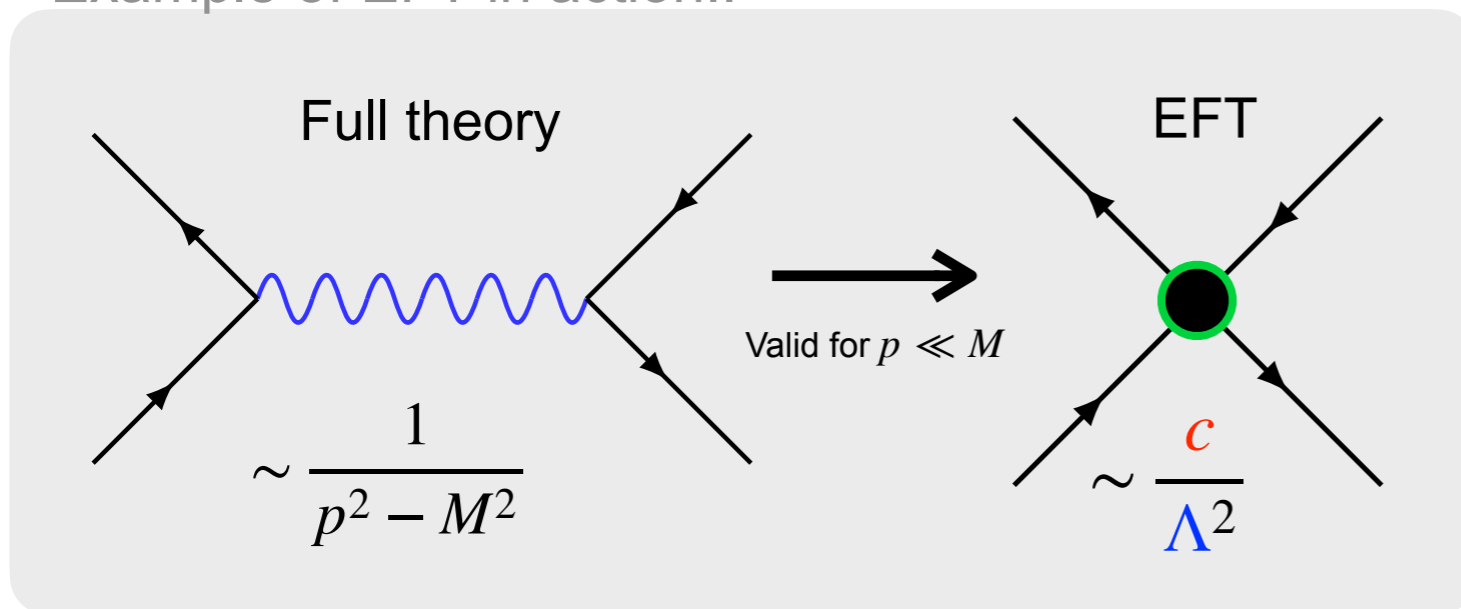
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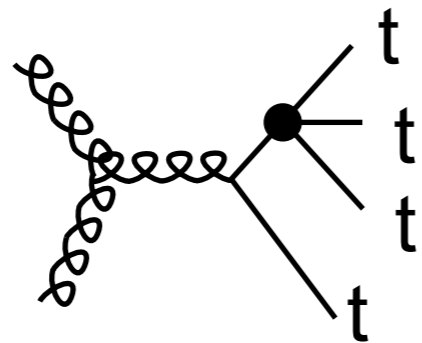
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Example of EFT in action..

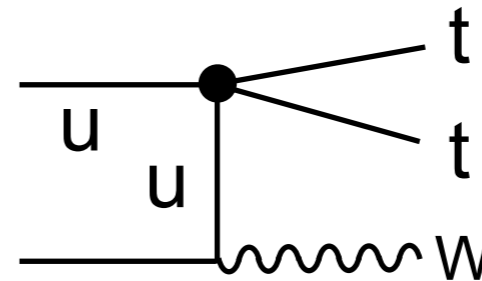


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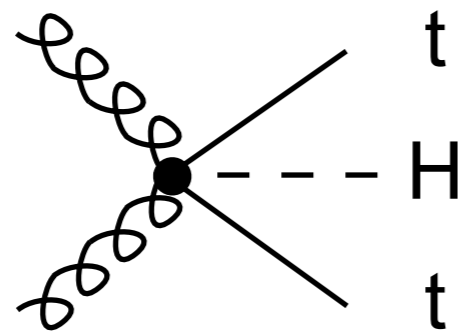
The **EFT** vertices can **impact observables**,
 where the strengths of the impacts are
determined by the WCs that scale the vertices



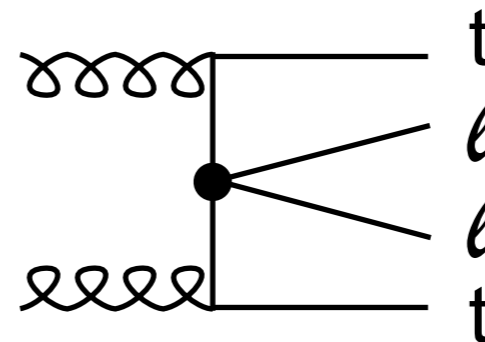
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2 heavy quarks
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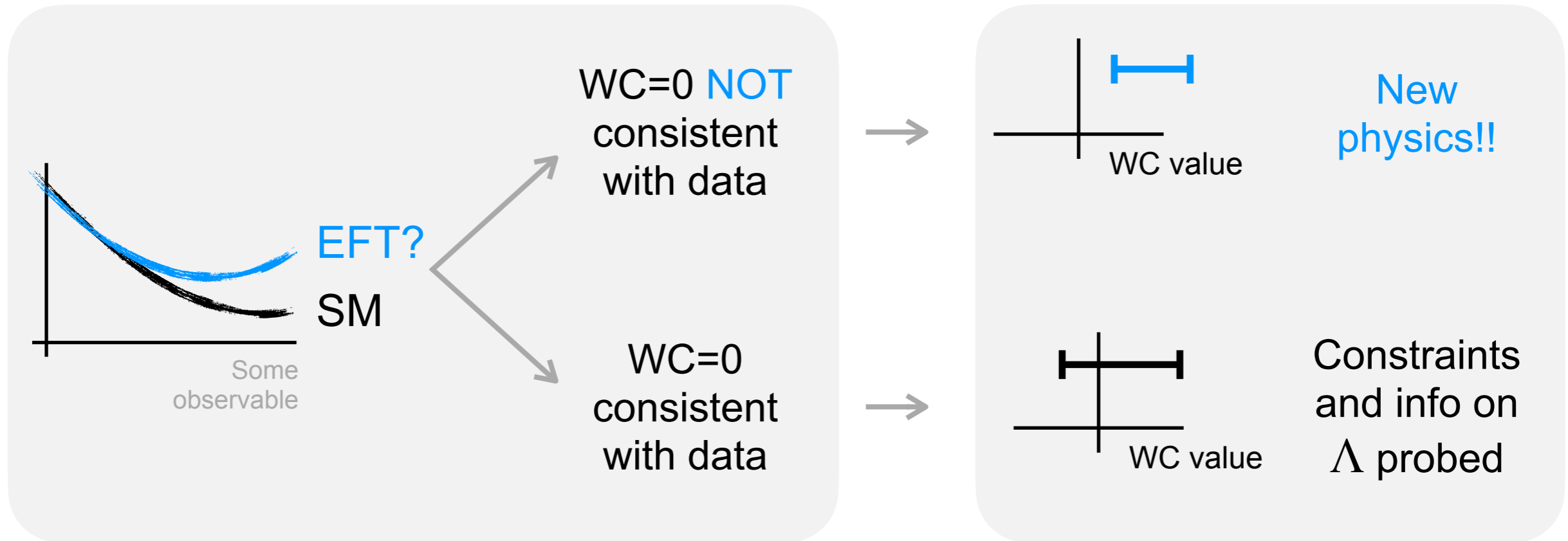


2 heavy quarks
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(A few
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What: Compare prediction to data to find WC values

Why: Any non-zero WC would be new physics!

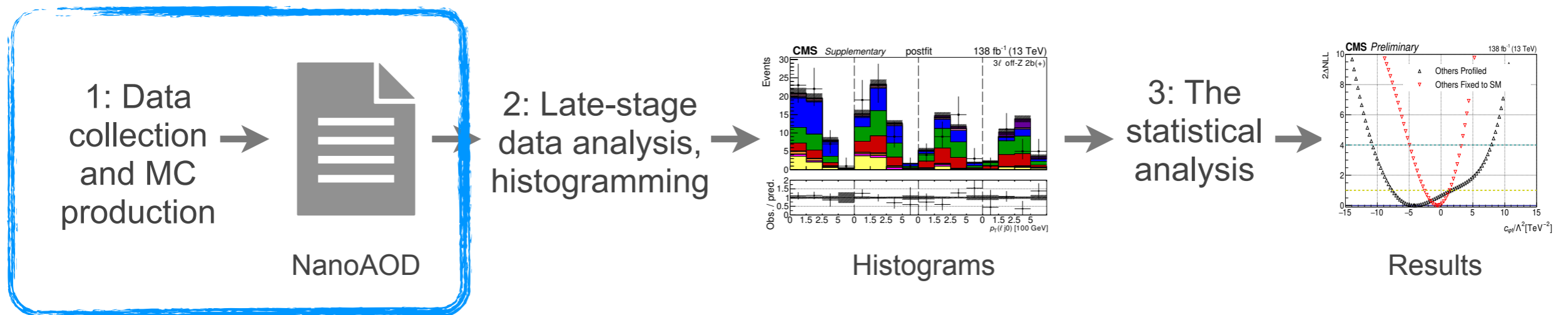


How?

Parameterize some prediction in terms of the WCs
Compare observation to prediction and extract best fit values and corresponding uncertainties for the WCs

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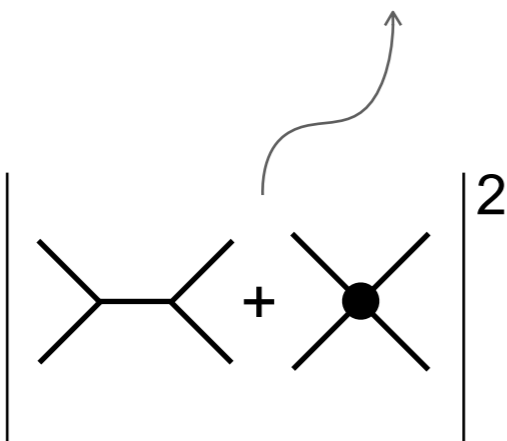
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The diagram shows two Feynman diagrams representing scattering amplitudes. The first diagram is a tree-level exchange process with two incoming lines on the left and two outgoing lines on the right, connected by a horizontal internal line. The second diagram is a contact process with two incoming lines on the left and two outgoing lines on the right, meeting at a central black dot. A plus sign is between the two diagrams. A vertical line on the left and a vertical line on the right enclose the sum of the two diagrams, with a superscript '2' at the end of the right vertical line. An arrow points from the top of the right vertical line to the coefficient $\frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2}$ in the equation above.

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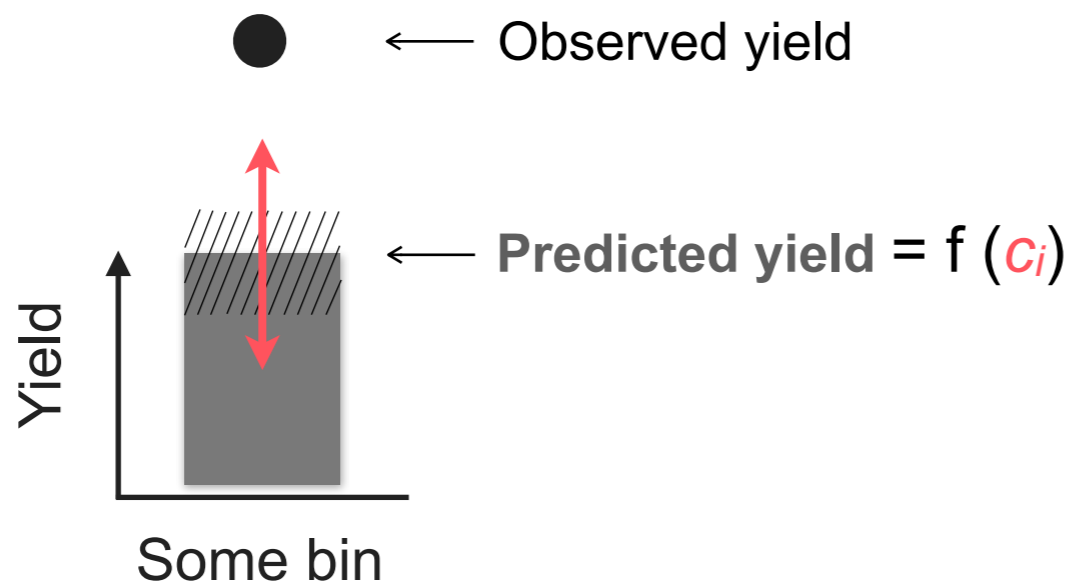
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This holds for any cross section, inclusive or differential

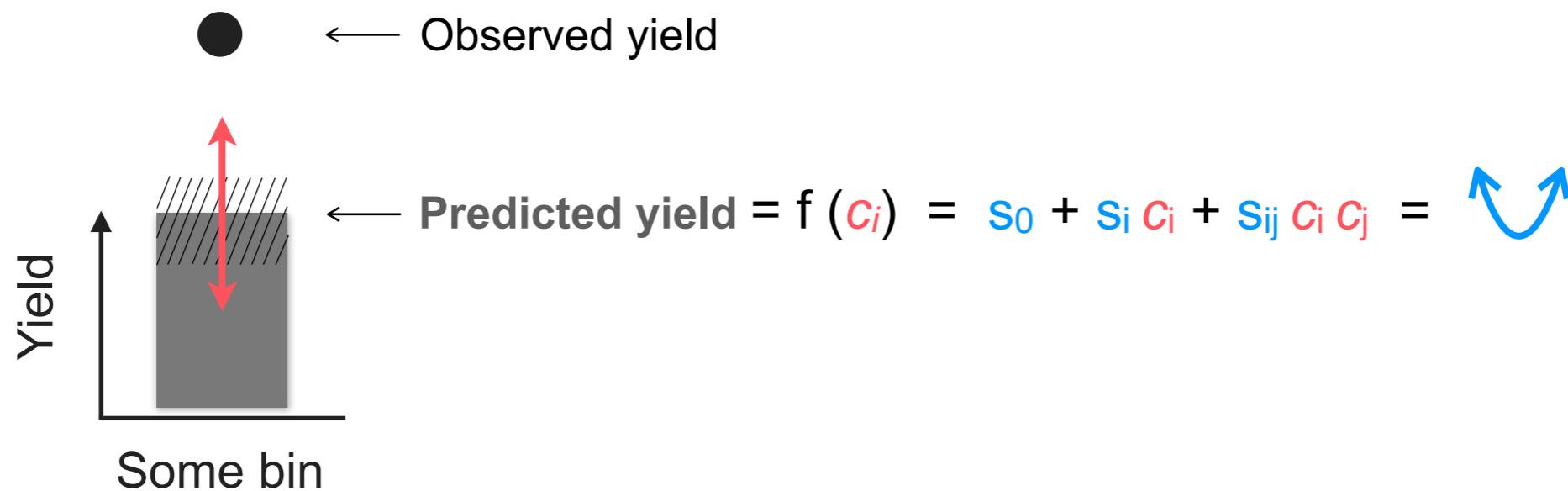
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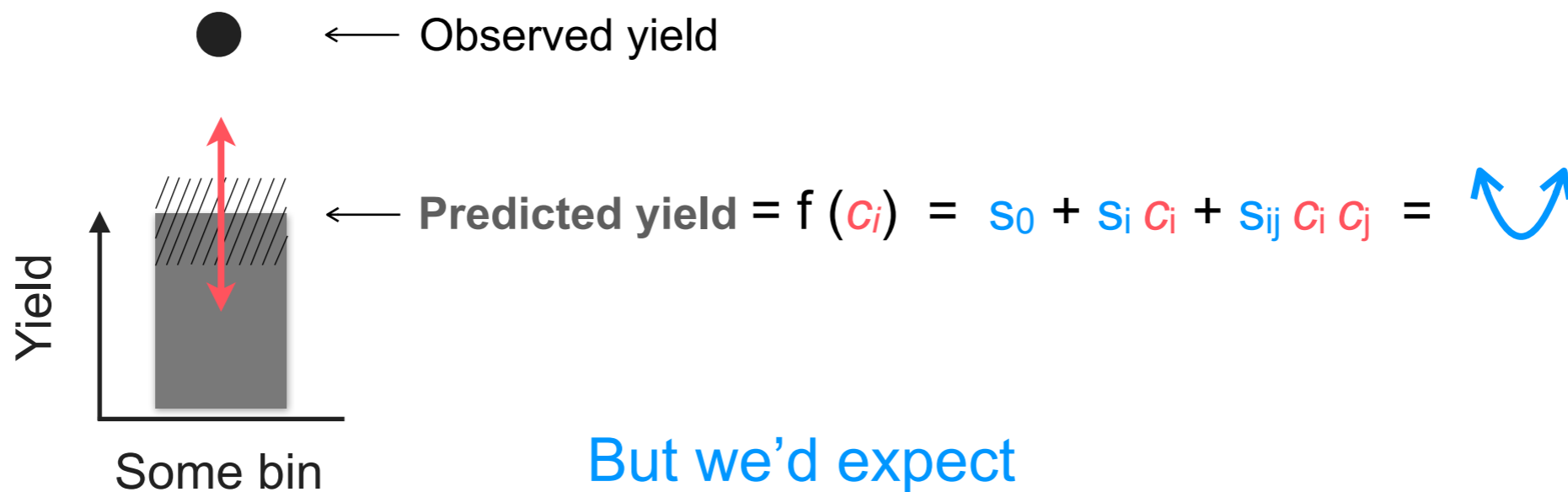
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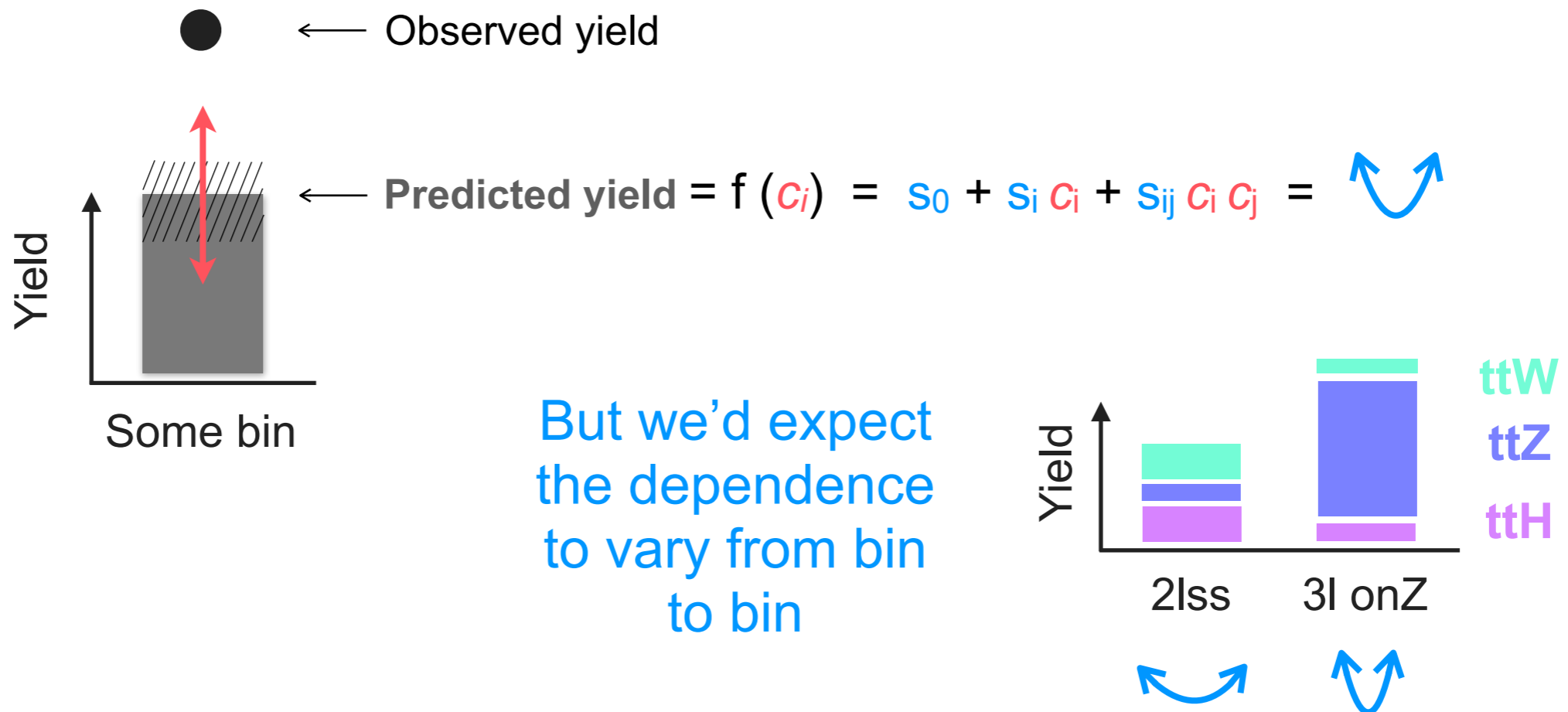
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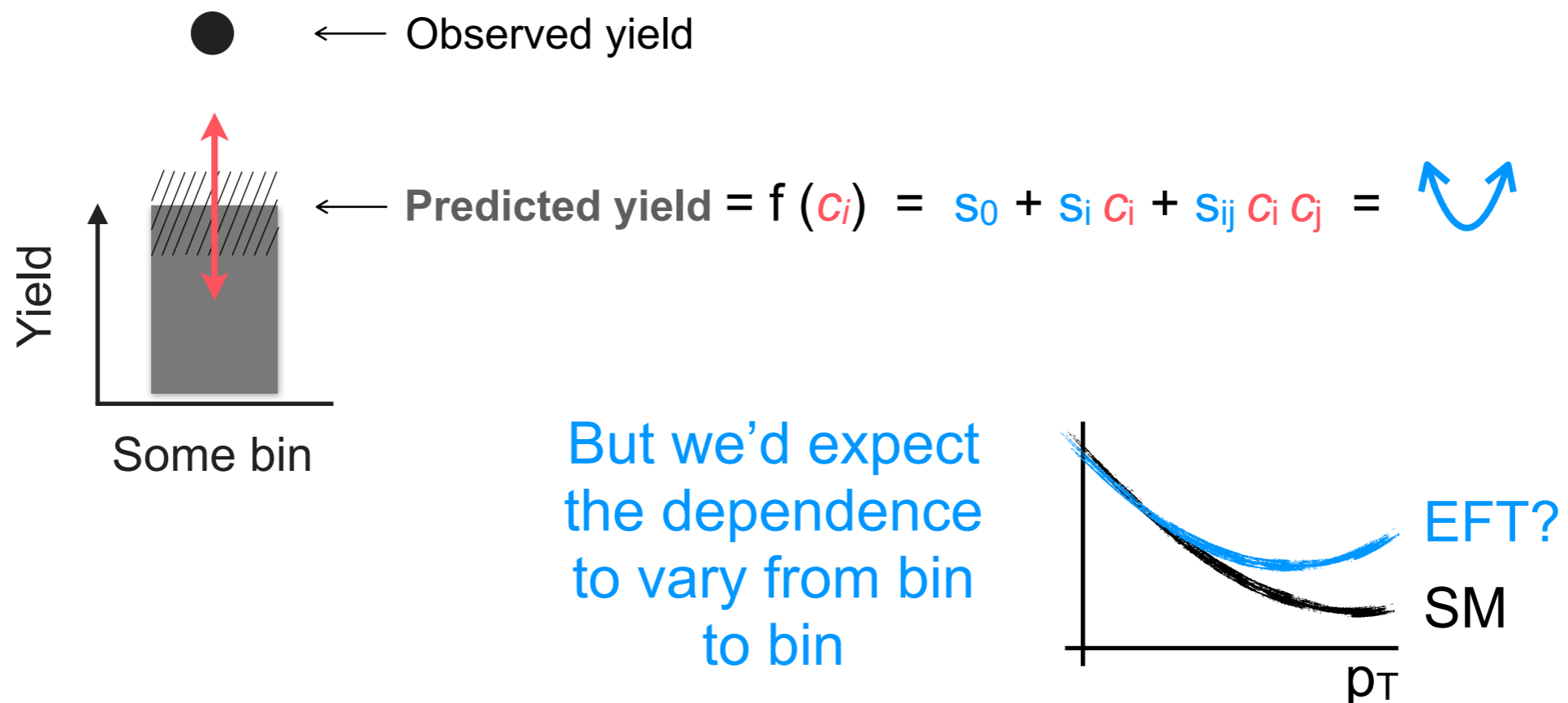
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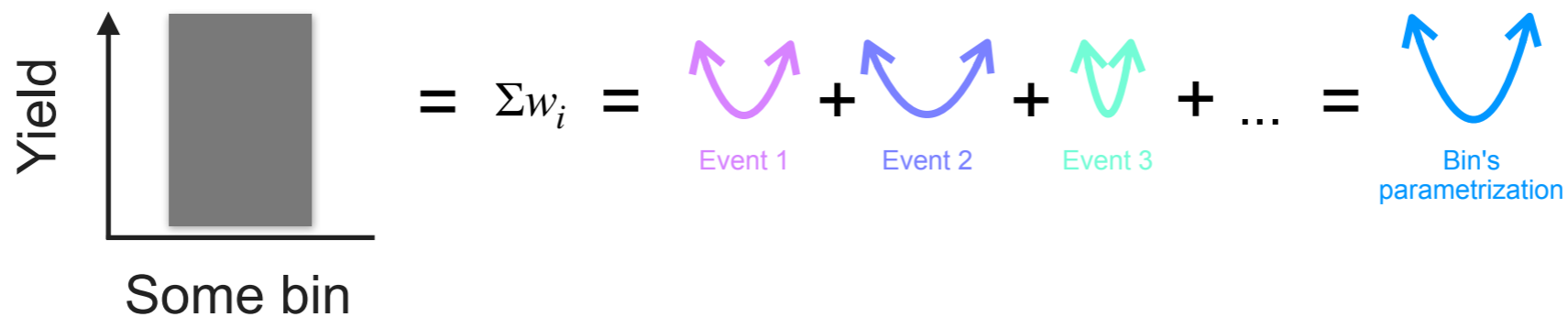
EFT dependence also impacted by kinematics

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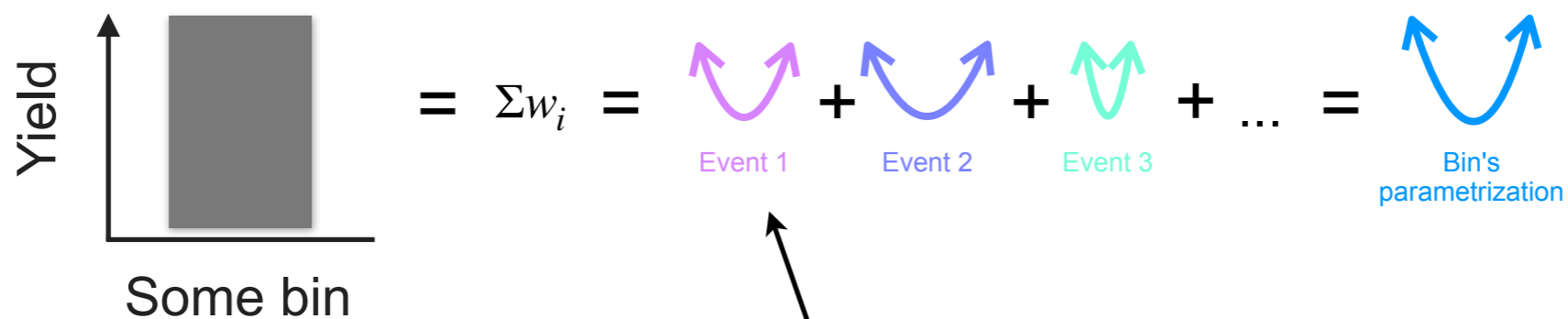
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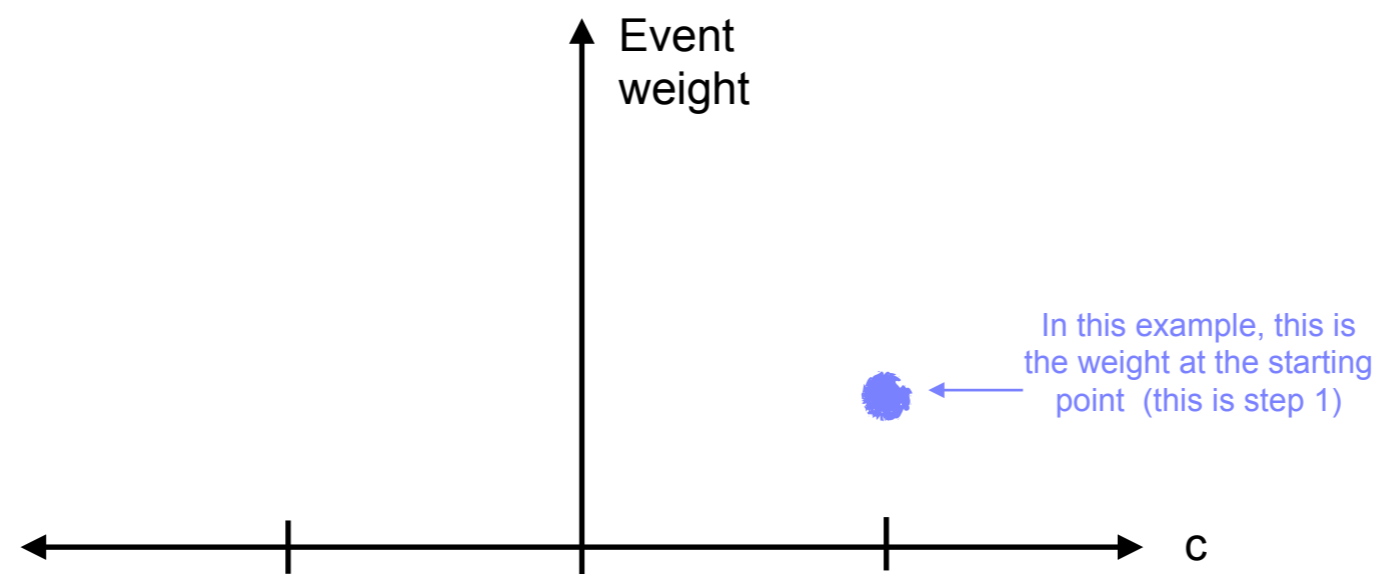
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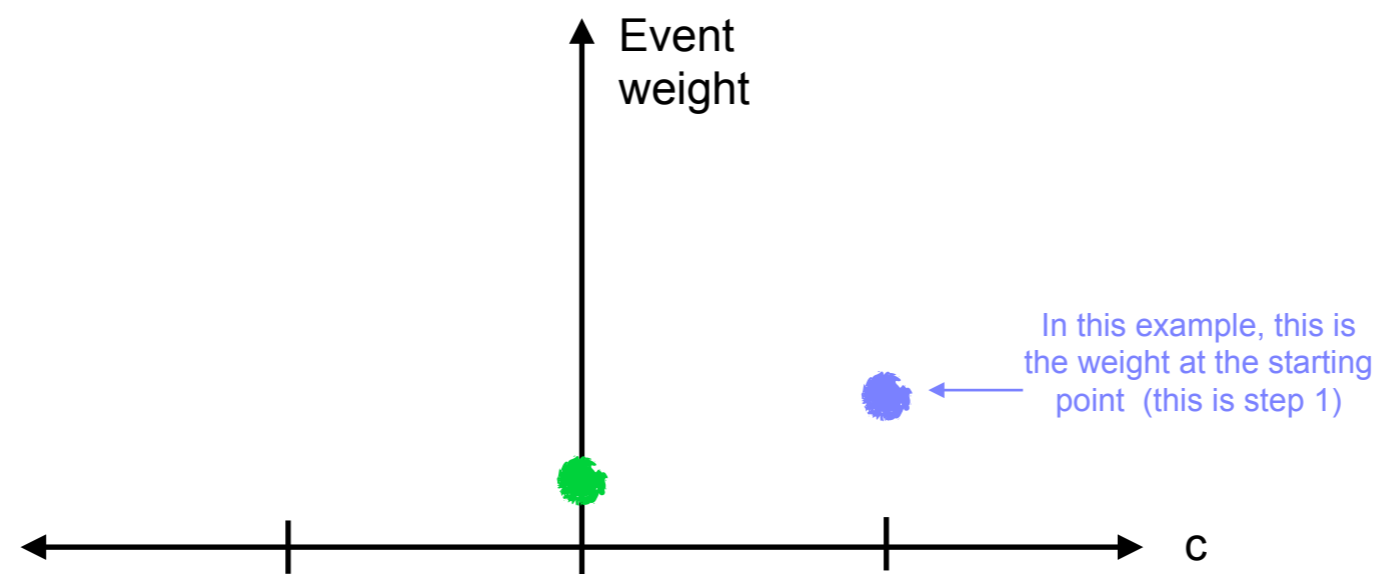
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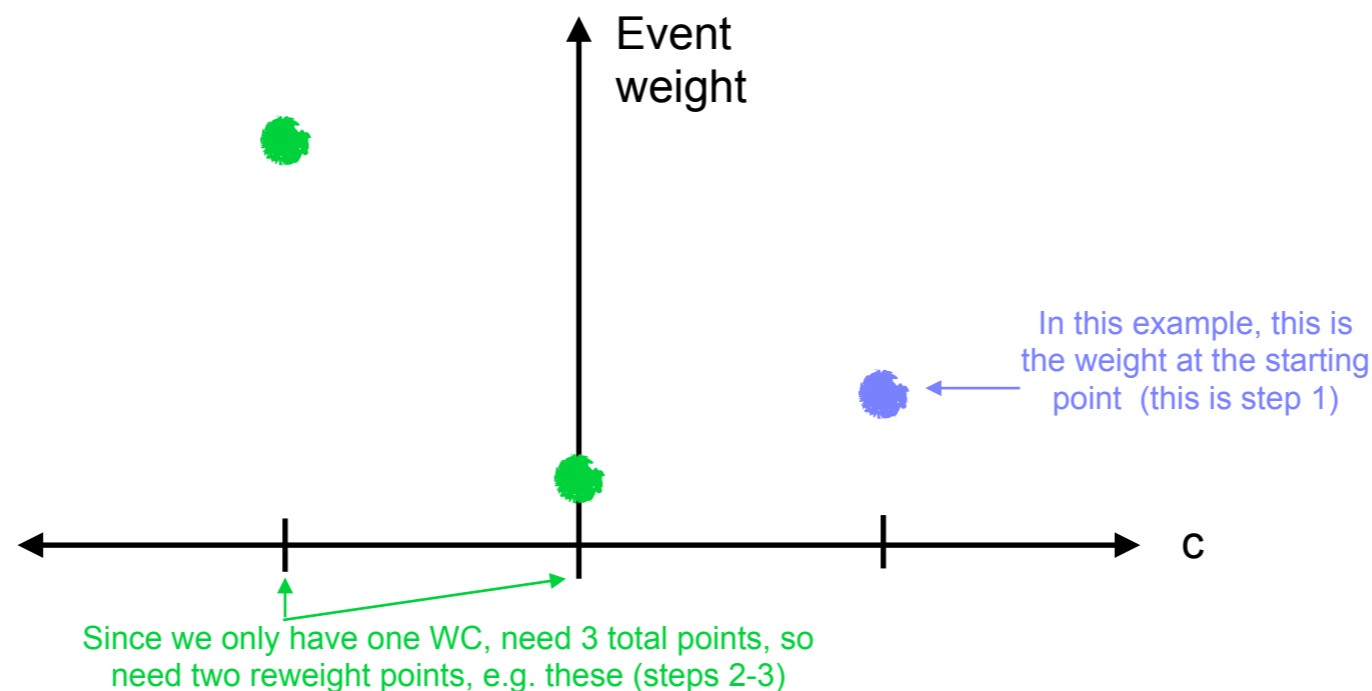
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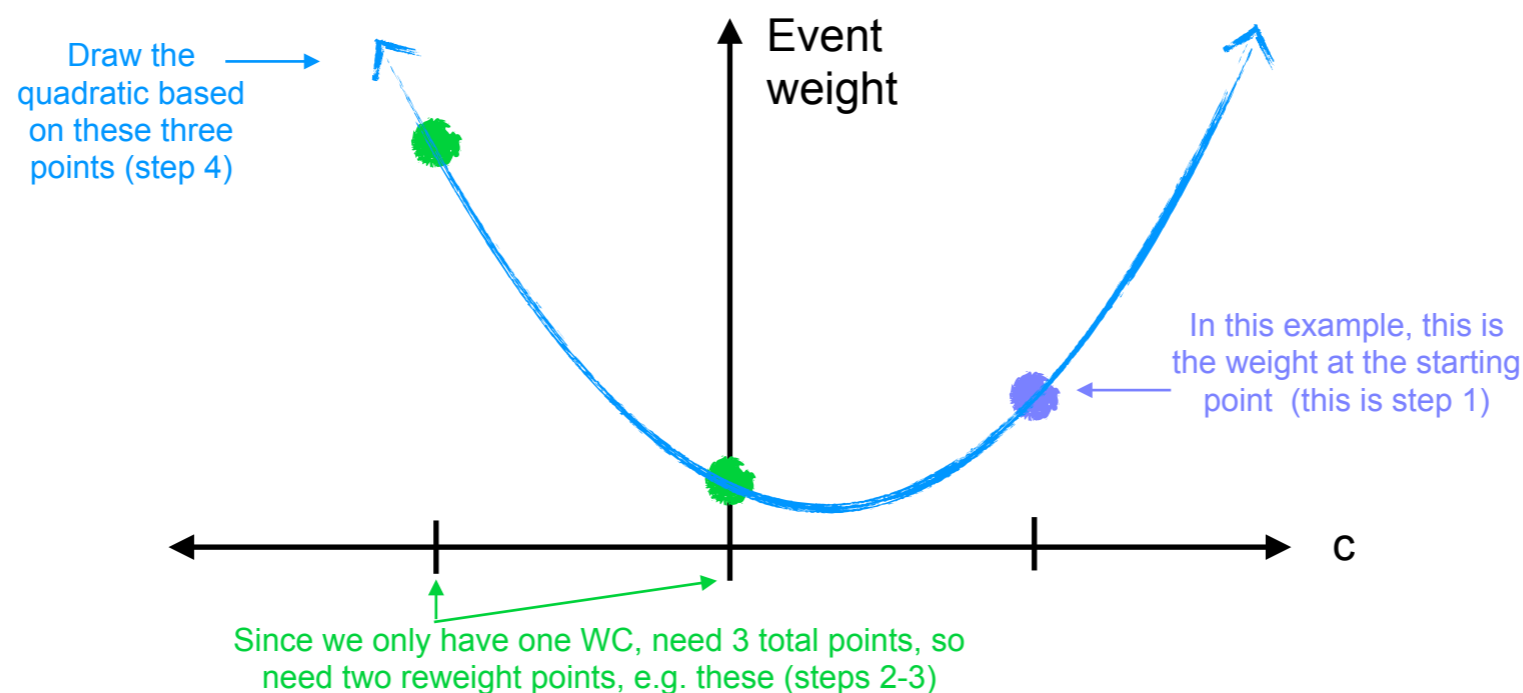
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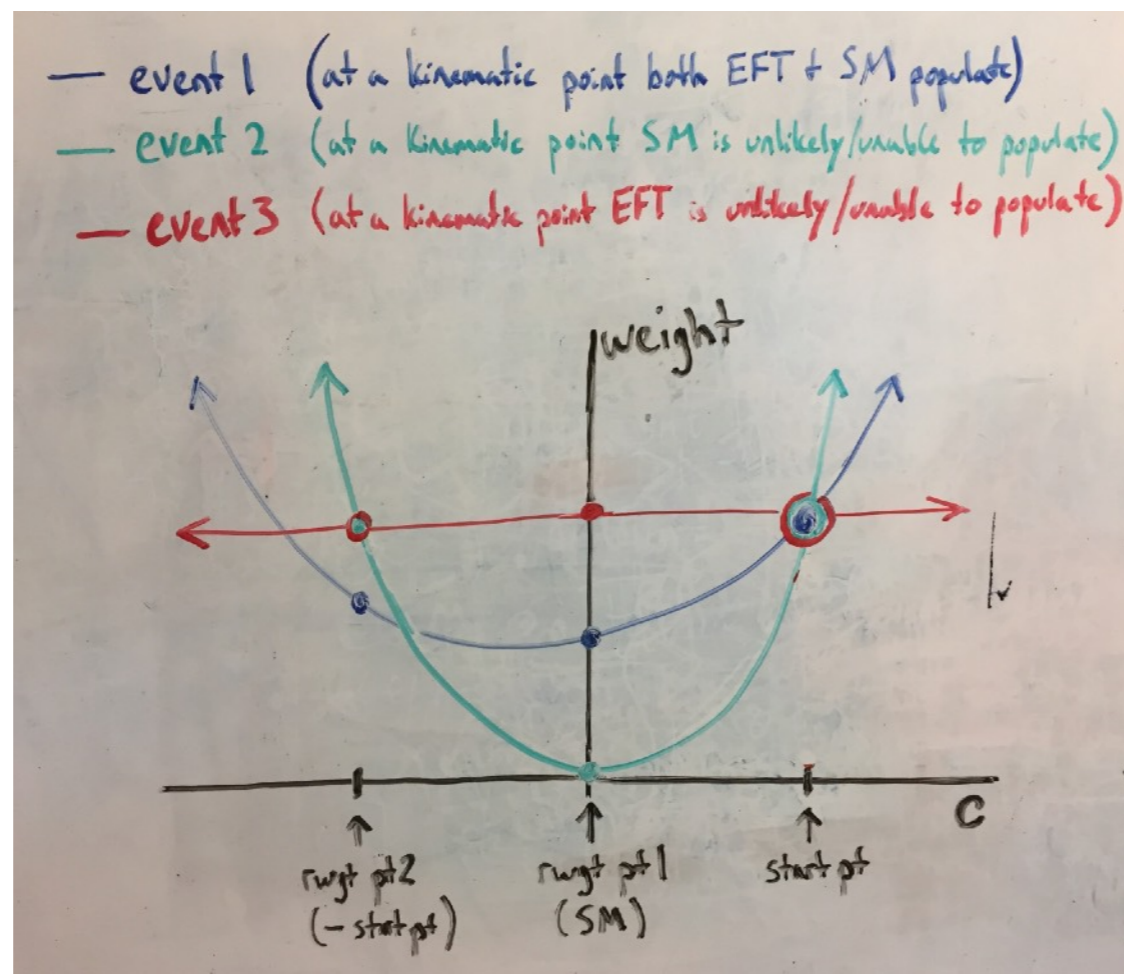
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 4. From the set of points in WC space and the associated weights, extract the quadratic parameterization



Why do different events have different quadratic shapes?

- Recall that MG will generate each event at a different kinematic point
- The kinematic point will be relatively less/more likely to be populated based on the theory assumption (i.e. at which point in WC space we are sitting)
- A complication to remember: Due to MG unweighting, the weight at the starting point will always be of the same magnitude (regardless of the differences in kinematics)

In this conceptual example, we're exploring different quadratic shapes we might see for three different simulated events



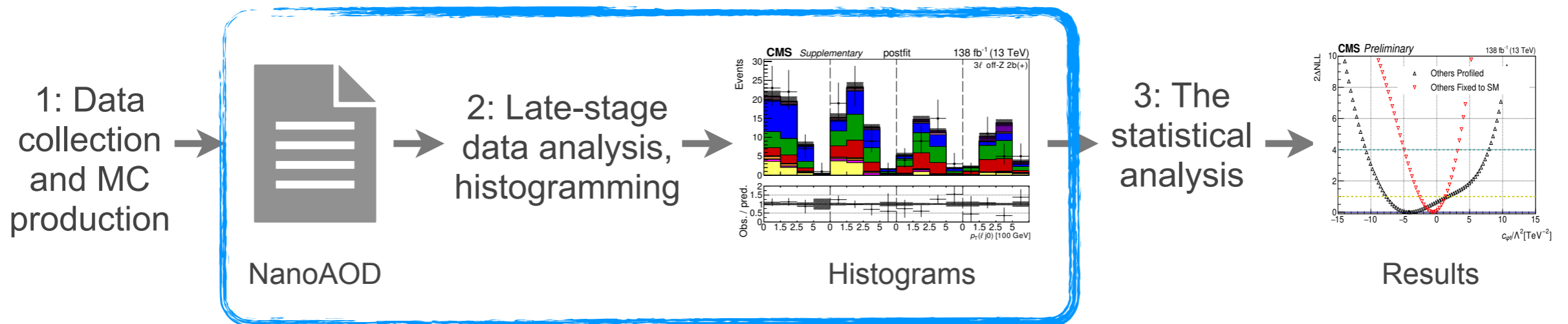
This is somewhat difficult to conceptualize (at least for me) but remember that at the starting point, differences in probability due to different kinematics are conveyed by *how many events are generated at a given phase space point*, rather than by the *weight* of the given event at the given point in the space

Summary and some caveats

- Summary: If you have a sufficient number of reweights points, you can extract the quadratic parametrization for each event's weight, which allows you to know the value of the event weight at any arbitrary point in the EFT space
- This can be a powerful approach for several reasons:
 - Allows essentially arbitrary regions in the EFT space to be probed with just a single sample
 - Allows the full effects of the EFT on kinematics to be accounted for
 - If the weights are carried through to detector level, allows EFT effects on acceptance/efficiency to be incorporated
- Caveats:
 - Vitally crucial to thoroughly validate the reweighted samples to ensure the sample can be consistently reweighted throughout the relevant EFT space
 - Important to explore the statistical power of the sample (highly non-uniform event weights degrade the statistical power)
 - Computationally challenging to produce samples with many WCs

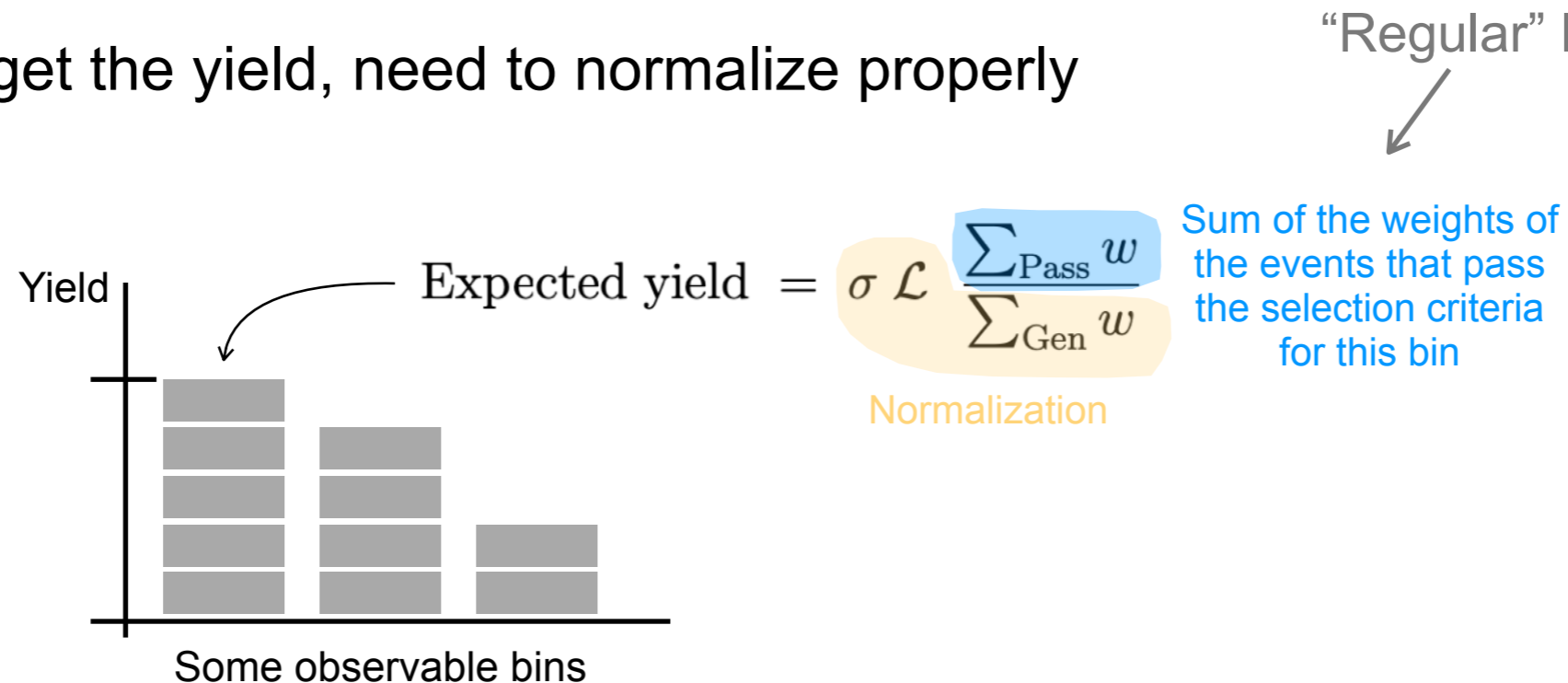
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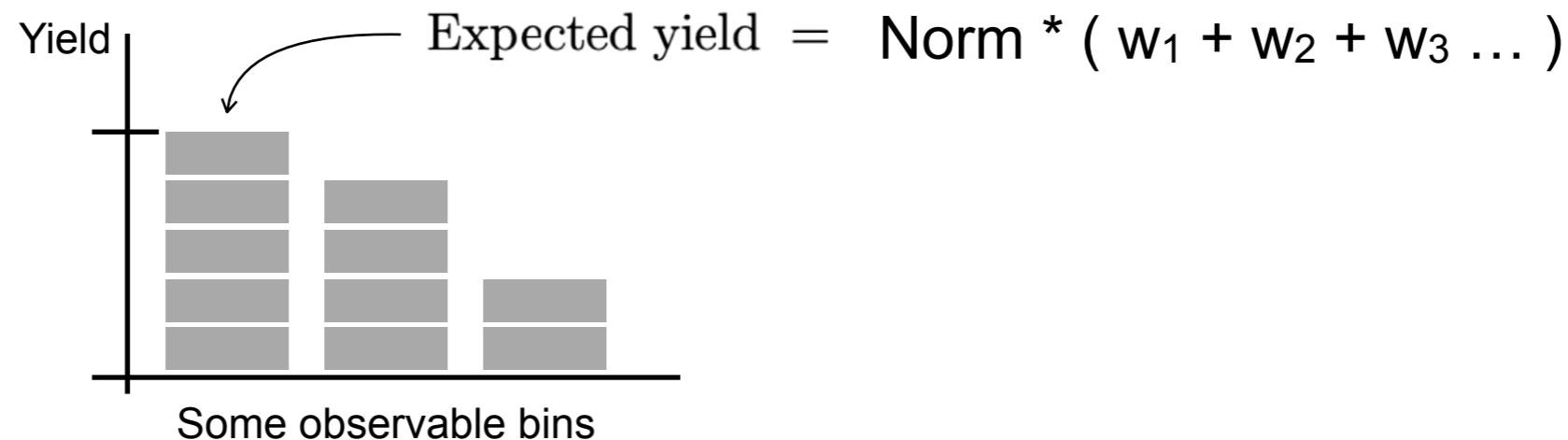


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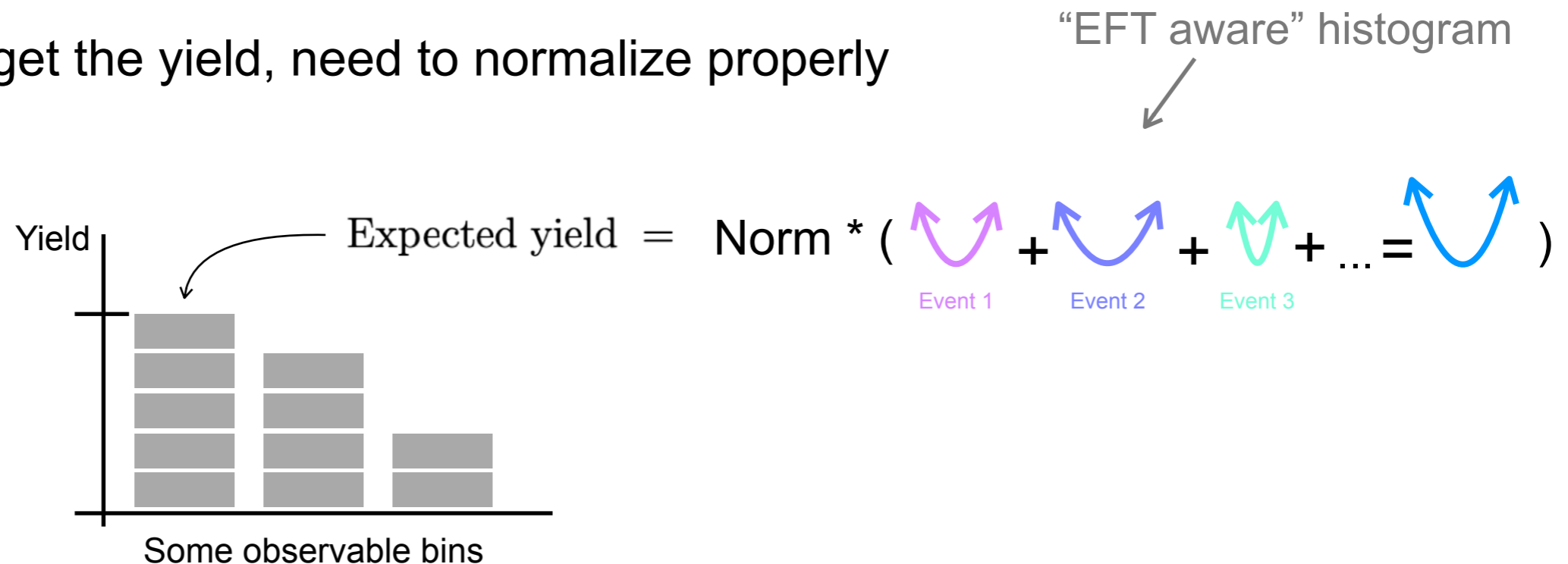
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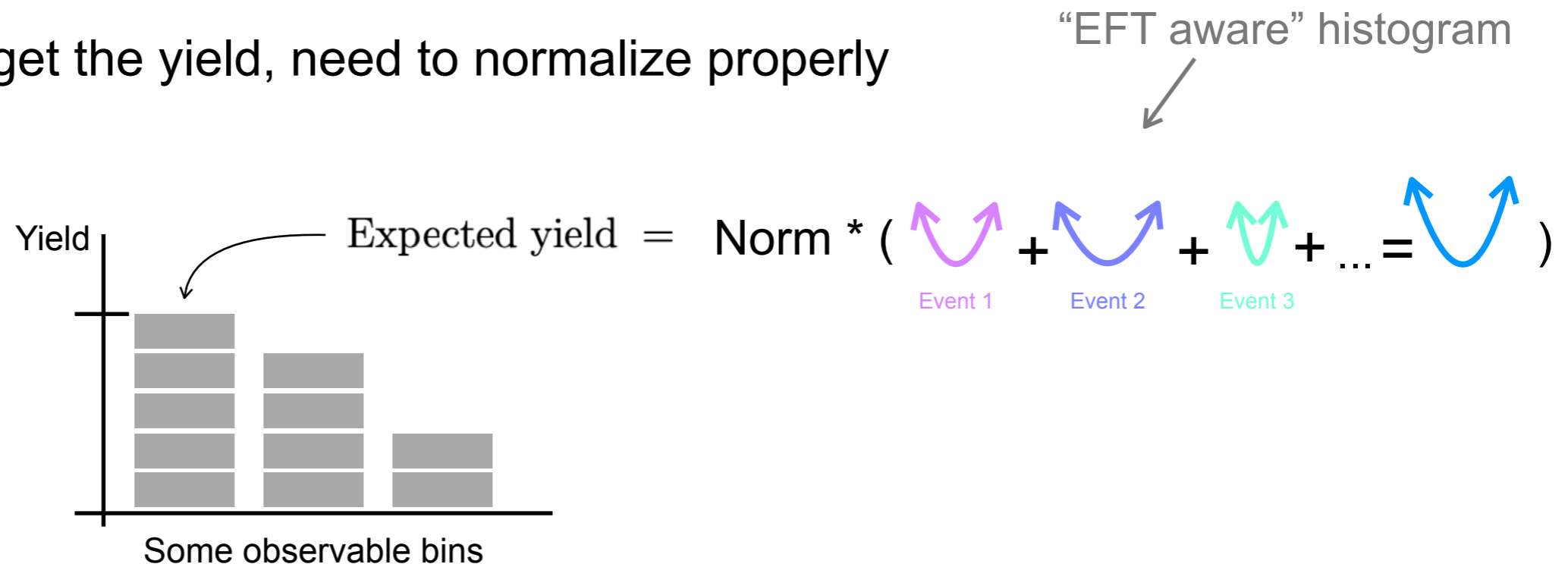
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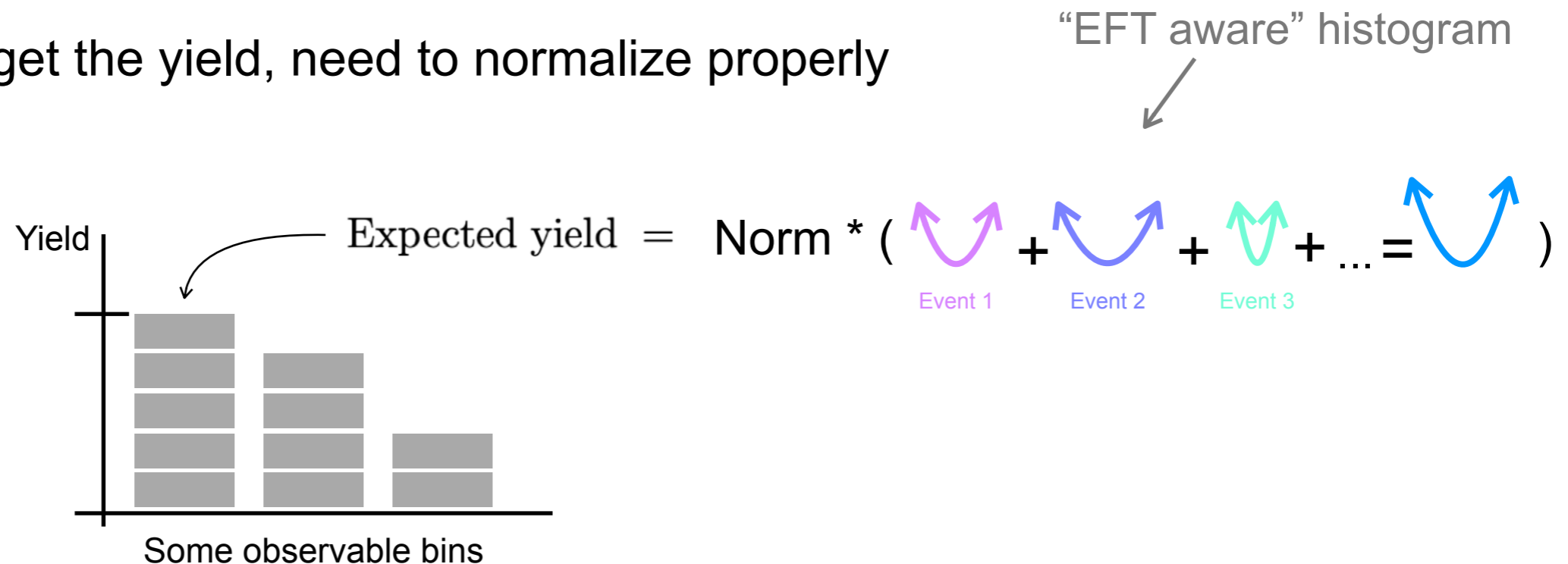
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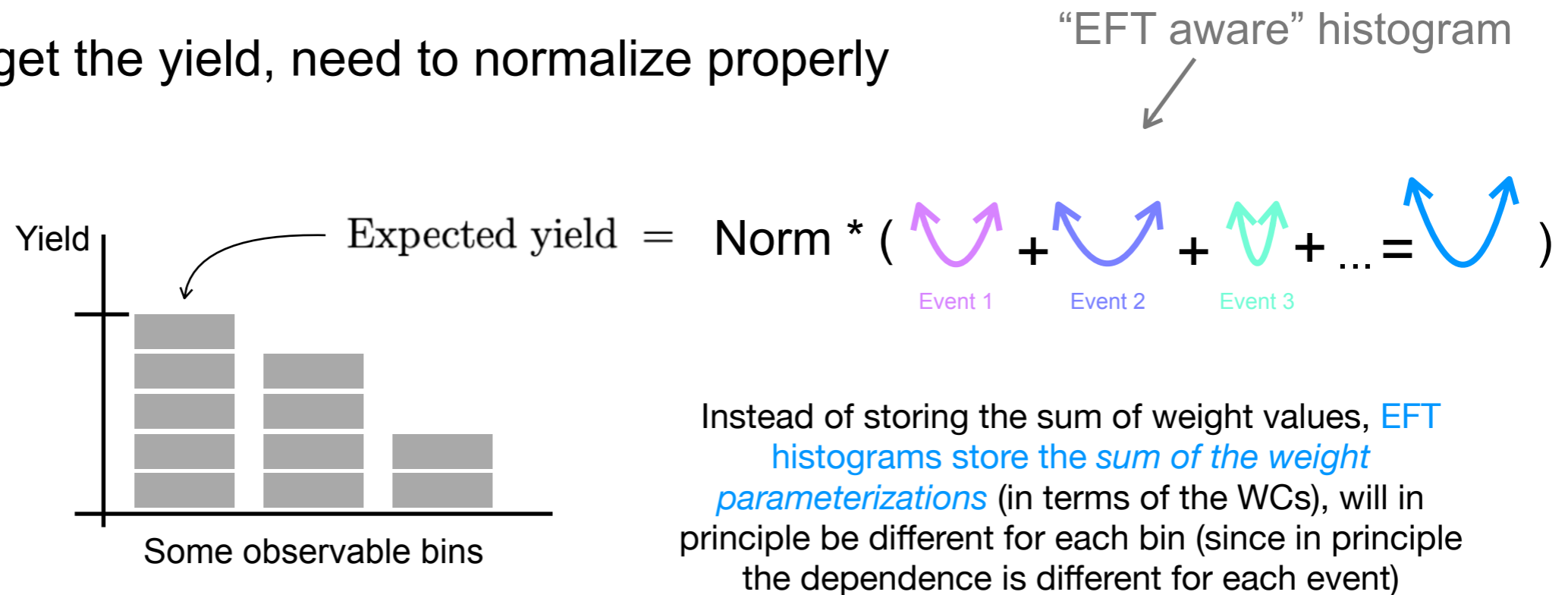
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Practical considerations: Tools for EFT-aware histograms

- Now that we've talked about the concepts of EFT-aware histograms, let's discuss what this would look like in practice
- We know we need to store the quadratic parameterization for each bin
- But what really is the quadratic parameterization? Essentially it's just a list of terms, e.g. for two WCs:

$$\text{Quad parameterization} = s_0 + s_1 c_1 + s_2 c_1^2 + s_3 c_2 + s_4 c_1 c_2 + s_5 c_2^2$$

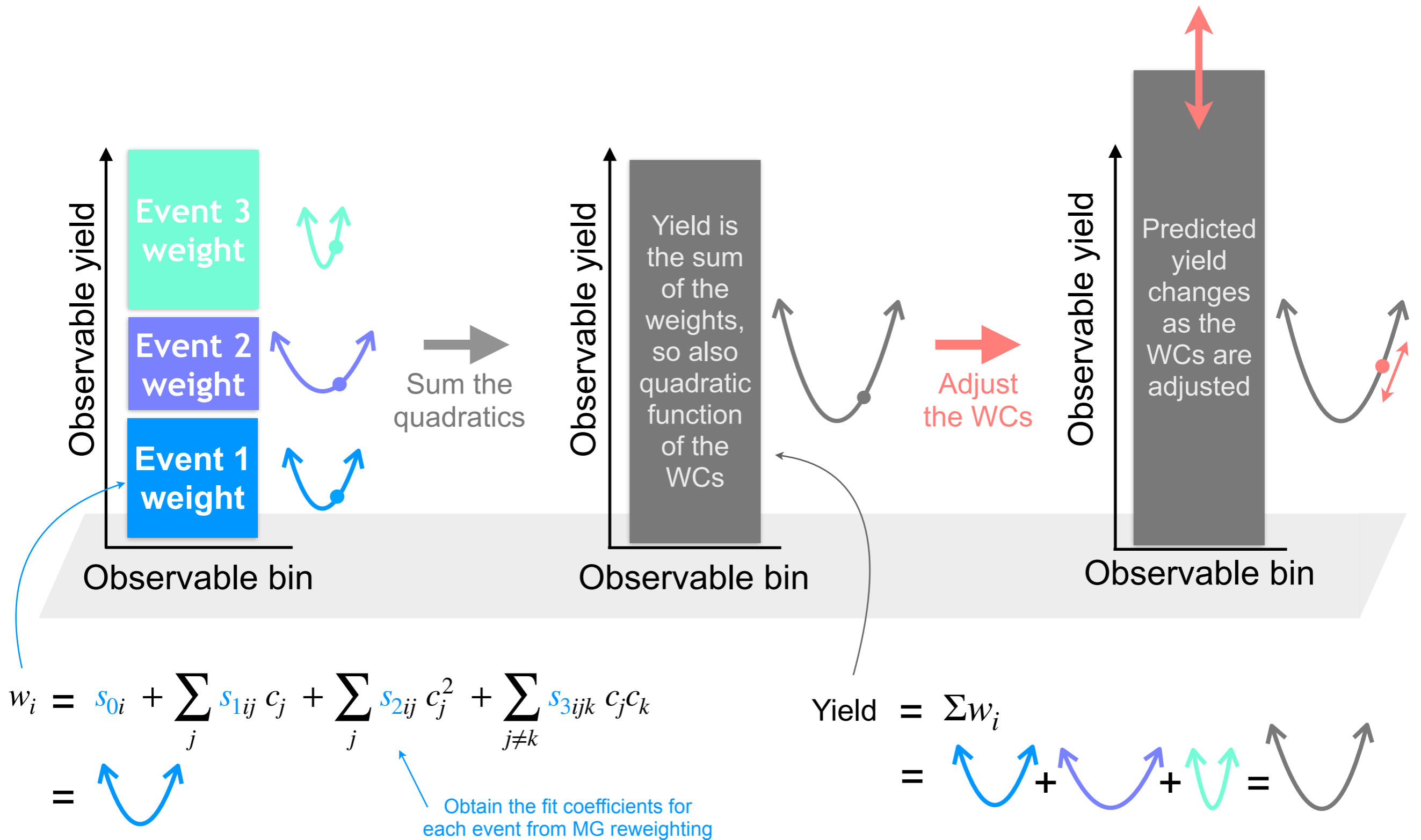
- The terms are essentially a structure constant (called “ s ” in the above) and the corresponding variables (i.e. the WCs denoted c_i)
- If we follow a convention for the order of the terms, we can just store the list of WCs $[c_1, c_2]$ and the structure constants $[s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, s_5,]$ for each bin

See backup for discussion of ordering convention for structure constants

This is implemented in histEFT, which we will explore in the hands-on part coming next

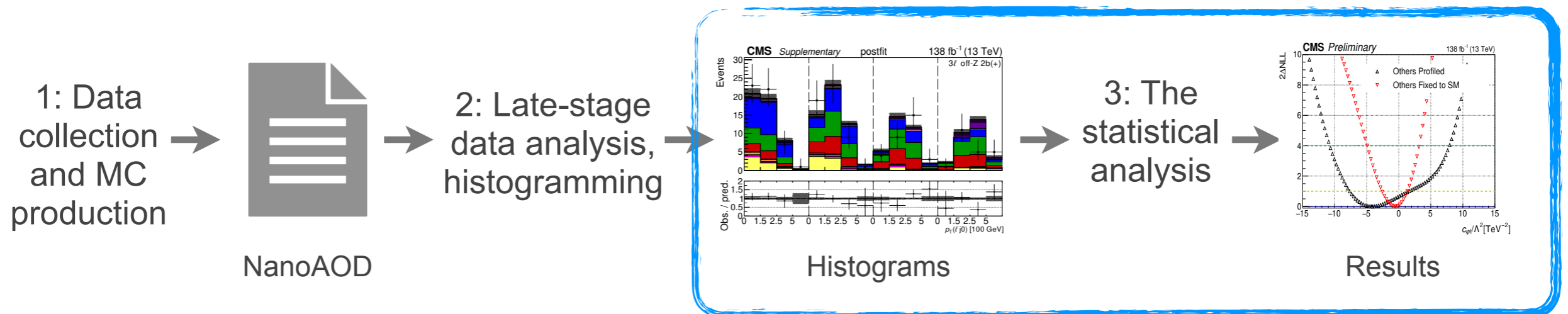
Some history: TOP-19-001 developed EFT-aware “TH1EFT”, then TOP-22-006 implemented new version on top of coffea hist and called it histEFT... but since coffee hist is now outdated, histEFT has recently been rewritten (by Ben Tovar of [ND_CCL](#)) based on the scikit hep hist

Visualization of putting it all together (example with just one bin)

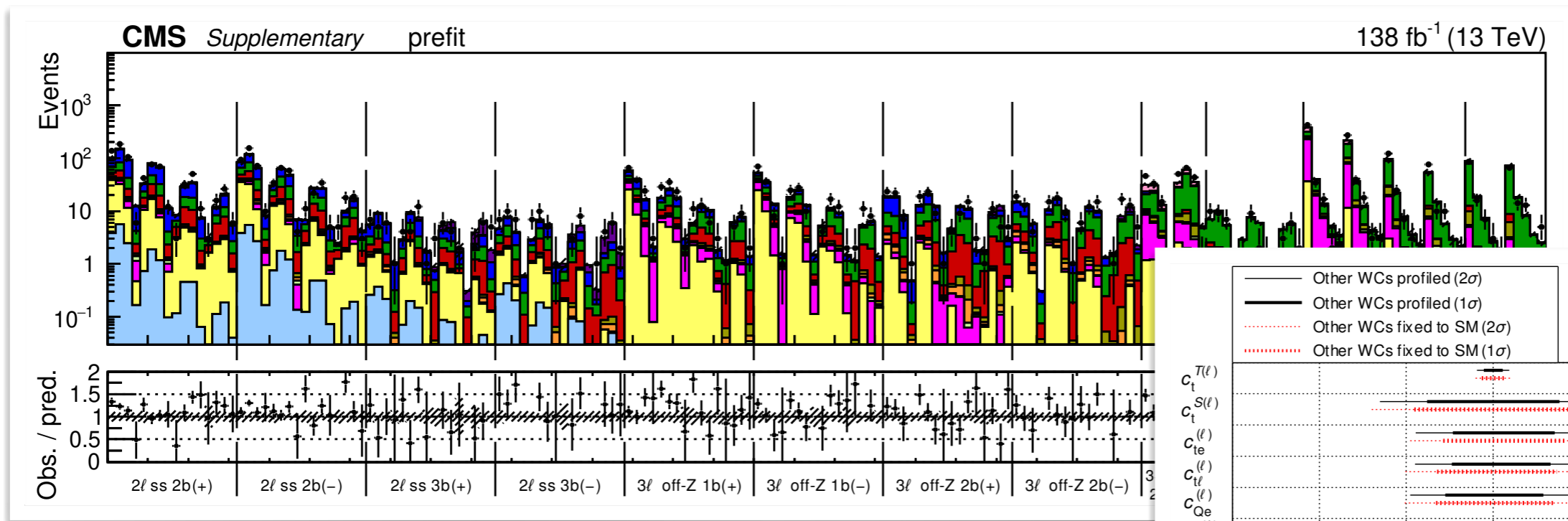


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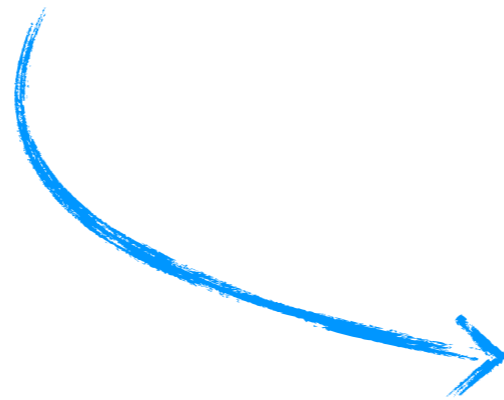
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Statistical analysis

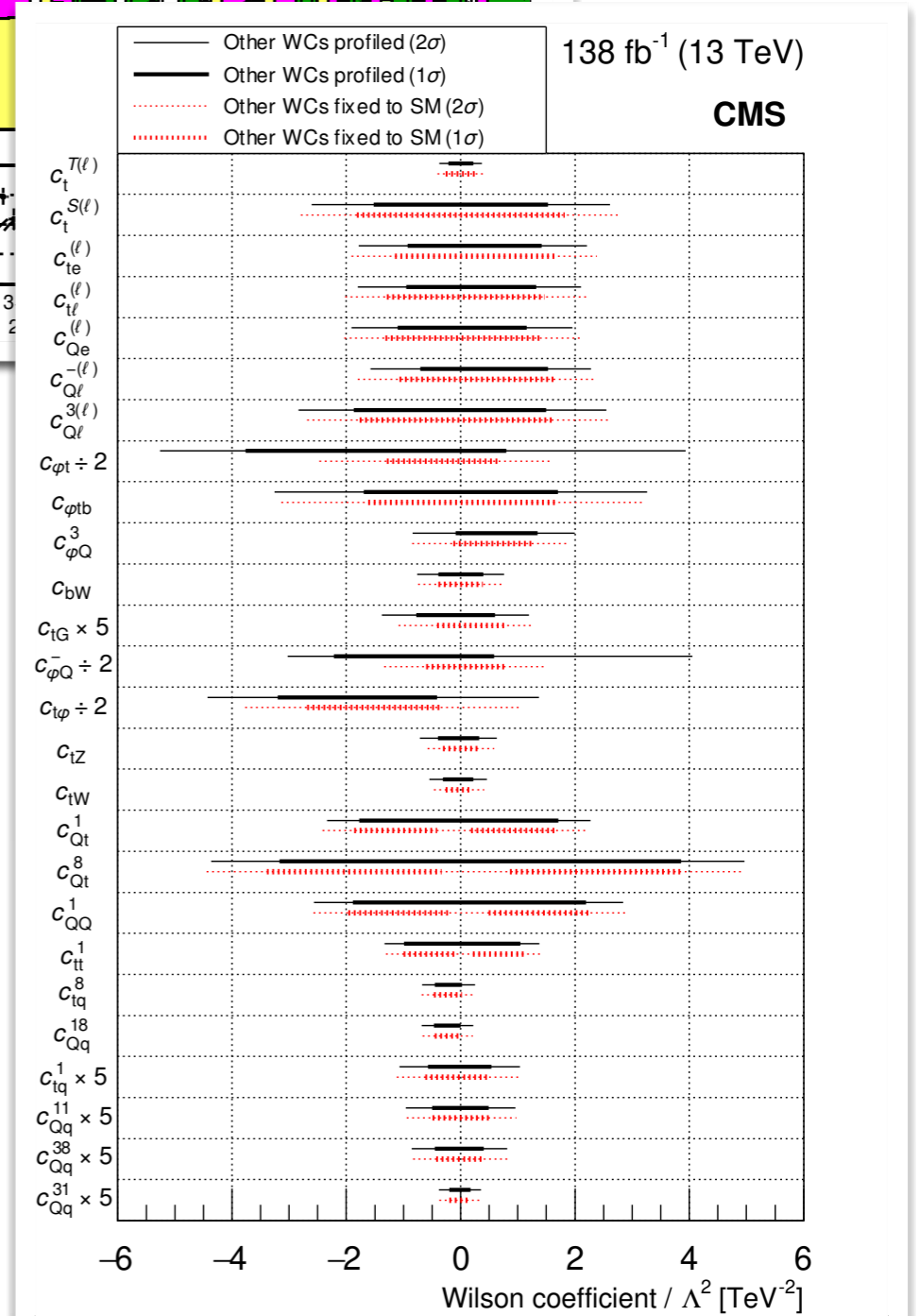


How to get from here...



To here:

Disclaimer: This section will be very brief, and only discuss one example (statistical treatment can vary by analysis)



The likelihood

- The likelihood characterizes the probability of measuring the observed number of events, given the theory i.e. $L = P(\text{data}|\text{theory})$
- Write the likelihood as a product over the N bins in the analysis, each treated as an independent Poisson measurement, with a **mean** corresponding to the **predicted yield** (which is a **quadratic function** of the WCs)
- We want to find the WC values that best agree with the data (i.e. that maximize the likelihood)

Product over the N bins in the analysis

n is the observed yield in the bin

m is the prediction in each bin, depends quadratically on the WCs θ , and the dependence on θ is different in every bin

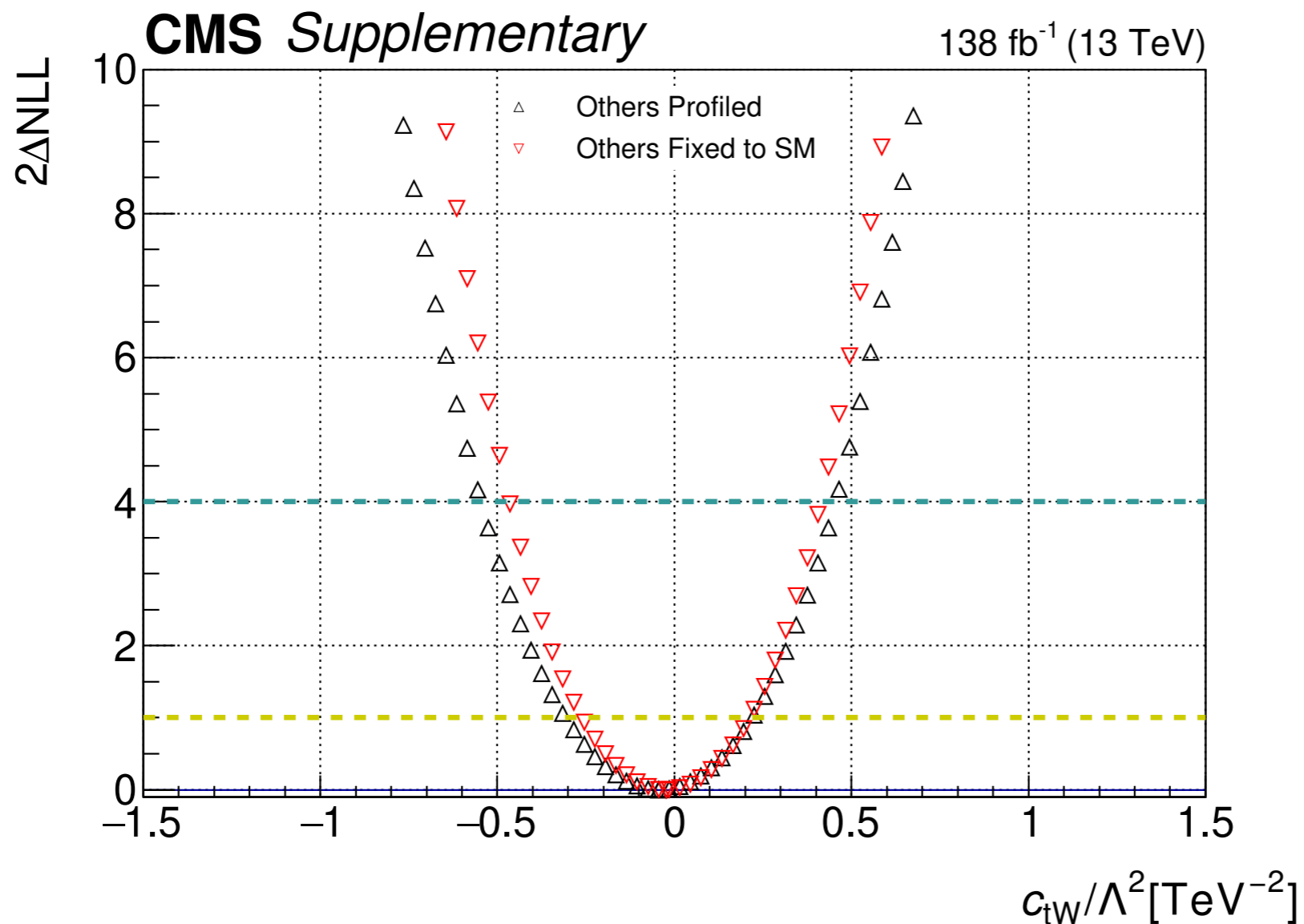
$$L = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{m(\theta)_i^{n_i}}{n_i!} e^{-m(\theta)_i}$$

Understanding how the likelihood depends on the WCs

- We want to know how the likelihood depends on the WCs
- Ideally would scan across all WCs and map out the likelihood, but realistically this is too computationally expensive more more than a few WCs
 - E.g. for a recent CMS analysis (TOP-22-006) a back-of-the-envelope calculation indicated that even for a relatively sparse grid of 5 scan points in each direction and a relatively large amount of computing resources (10k CPU cores), it would take ~17 billion years to perform the scan
- Instead, we scan across one WC and *profile* the others (allowing them to float to their best fit value for the given scan point)
- This is computationally feasible, and allows us to understand the range of WC values that are consistent with the data

Extracting the confidence intervals

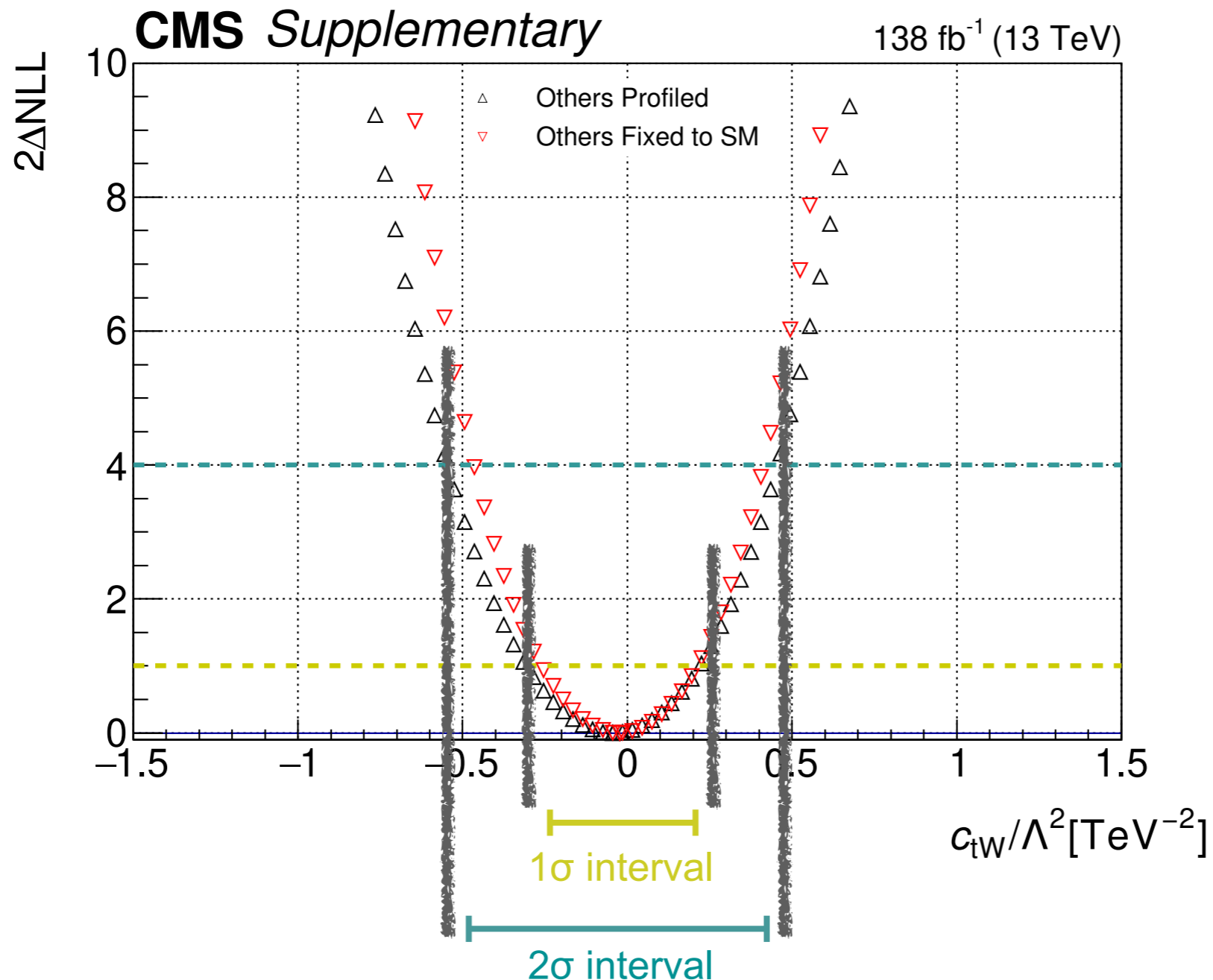
- For each WC, we scan across a range of values, profiling the other WCs
- We can then read off the best fit point and the one and two standard deviation confidence intervals from the scans



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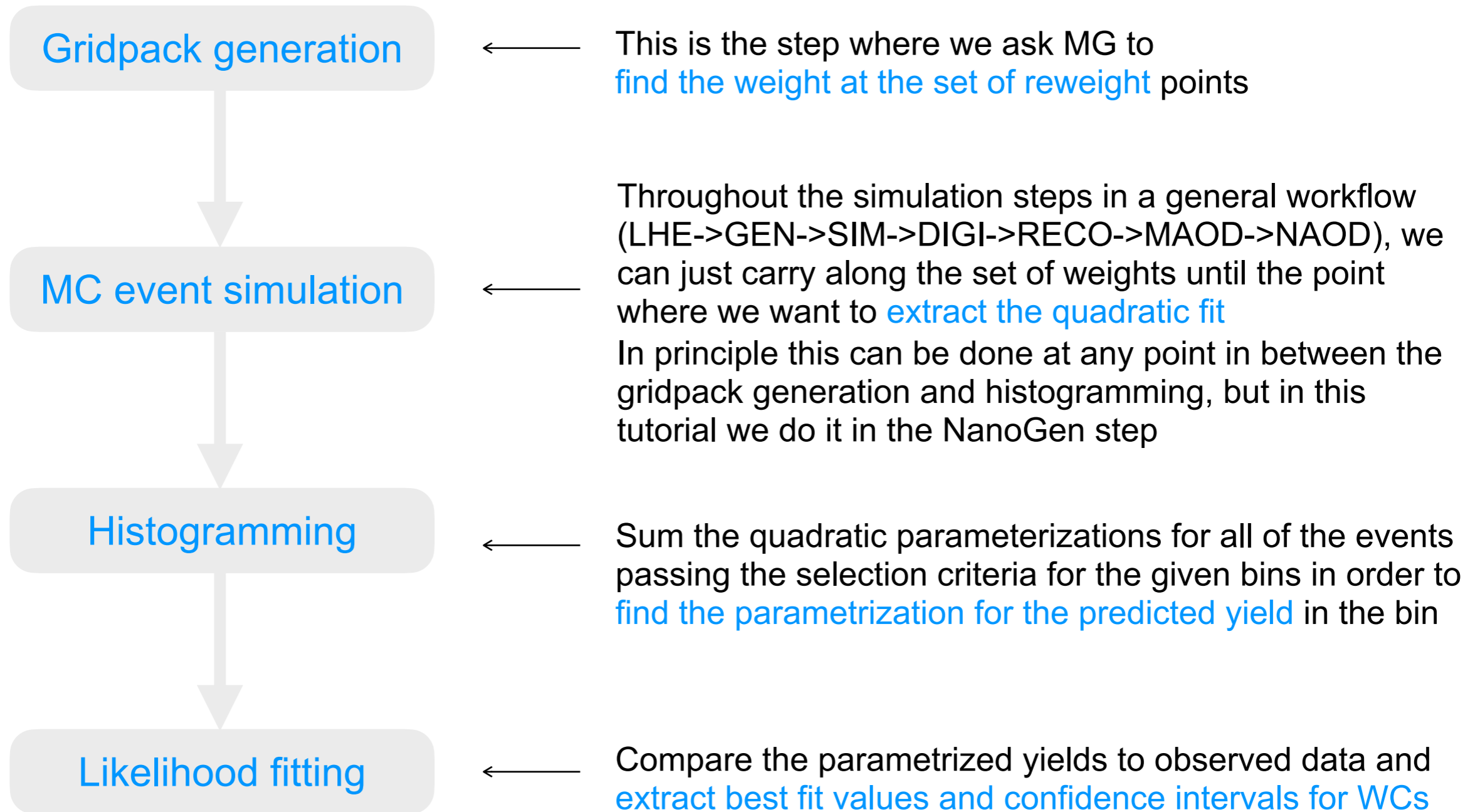
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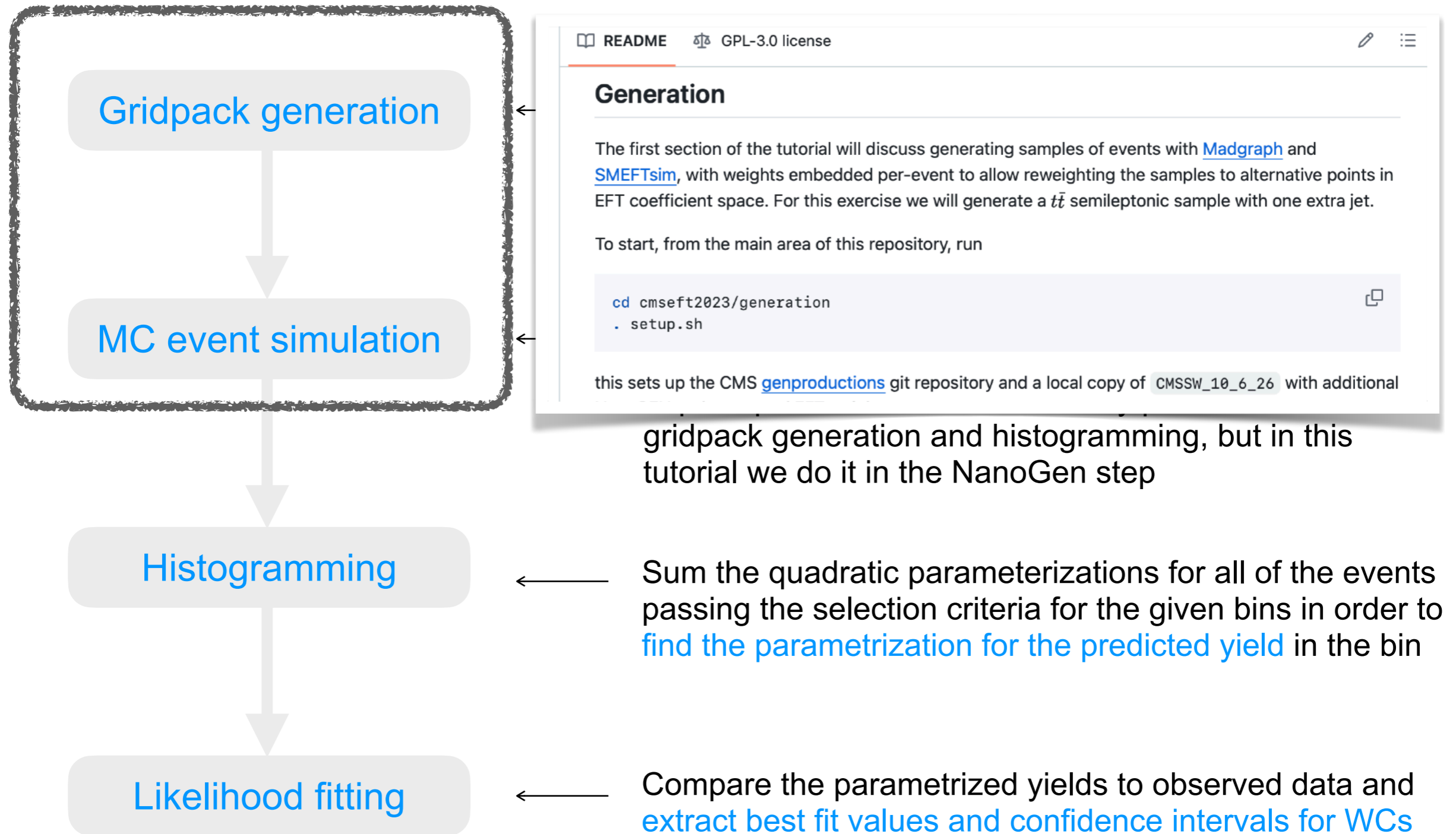
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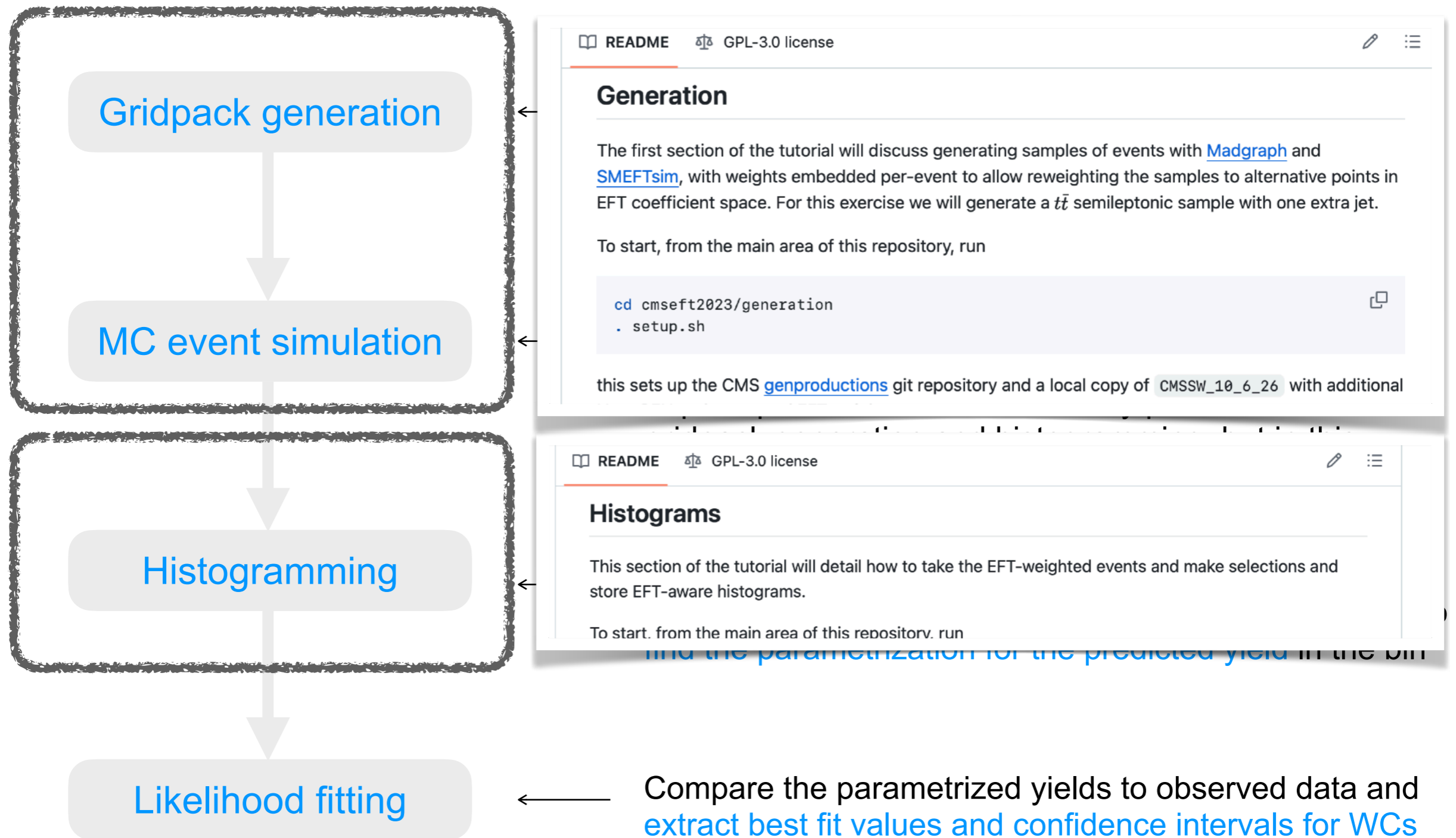
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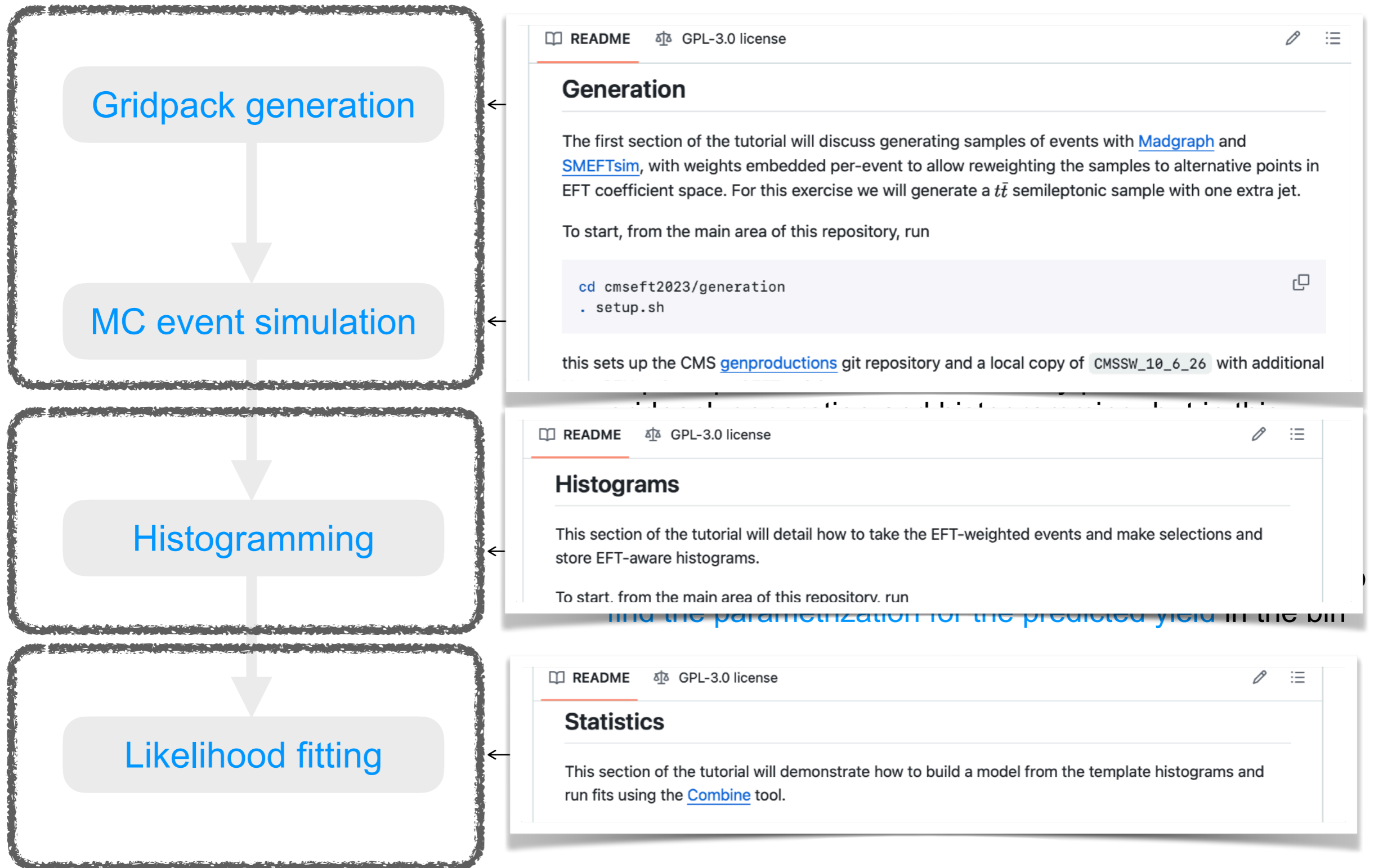
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Backup

Advantageous vs more challenging aspects of the direct approach



Analysis preservation/longevity

More information available → potential for more sensitivity

Reinterpretations

Can handle final states with complicated admixtures of processes all affected differently by EFT

Need to produce detector-level EFT simulations

Account for all relevant correlations



These challenging aspects for direct approaches are generally advantages of the indirect approach

How do observables depend on EFT? Let's start with σ

If the EFT is modeled linearly in amplitude, the cross section is an n -quadratic in terms of the WCs (where n is number of WCs)

$$\sigma \propto \left| \mathcal{M}_{SM} + \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{M}_i \right|^2 \propto s_0 + s_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} + s_{ij} \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \frac{c_j}{\Lambda^2} = \curvearrowright$$

The diagrammatic expansion shows the cross section σ as the square of the sum of the Standard Model (SM) amplitude and a new physics amplitude. This expands into three terms: the SM squared term, the interference with SM term, and the quadratic new physics term. The quadratic new physics term is highlighted with a blue box.

Other contributions at same Λ^{-4} order as quad piece

Two diagrams showing other contributions at the same order. The first diagram shows a SM amplitude multiplied by a dim6 operator squared, which is proportional to Λ^{-4} . The second diagram shows a SM amplitude multiplied by a dim8 operator, which is also proportional to Λ^{-4} .

Term ordering convention for histEFT

- For histEFT, the term ordering convention follows the order of the lower triangle of an $(n+1) \times (n+1)$ matrix, where n is the number of WCs, and the order of the WCs is assumed to be $[sm, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n]$
- Thus, if you know the WC order, you can reconstruct the quadratic parametrization from the list of terms

	SM	C_1	C_2	...	C_n
SM	SM · SM	—	—	...	—
C_1	$C_1 \cdot SM$	$C_1 \cdot C_1$	—	...	—
C_2	$C_2 \cdot SM$	$C_2 \cdot C_1$	$C_2 \cdot C_2$...	—
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
C_n	$C_n \cdot SM$	$C_n \cdot C_1$	$C_n \cdot C_2$...	$C_n \cdot C_n$

⇒ Terms order for $n=2$:

[SM · SM , $C_1 \cdot SM$, $C_1 \cdot C_1$, $C_2 \cdot SM$, $C_2 \cdot C_1$, $C_2 \cdot C_2$]

Some technical considerations: Normalization of EFT-aware histograms

- Usually you don't want to use the normalization straight from your generated sample (usually for EFT samples this is LO)
- Want to normalize to the best available theory cross section, as usual
- Usually achieve this normalization by dividing summing the parameterizations for all all generated events, then reweighting to the SM* (i.e. the SM prediction for the total cross section, denoted $w(\text{SM})$)
- After dividing by the $w(\text{SM})$, the constant term in your quadratic parameterization is 1, so after scaling by the lumi and the NLO xsec, the constant piece is the SM predicted yield

$$\text{Expected yield } (\vec{c}) = \sigma_{SM} \mathcal{L} \frac{\sum_{\text{Pass}} w(\vec{c})}{\sum_{\text{Gen}} w(\text{SM})},$$

* Note: This normalization approach is not possible in the case when the SM prediction for your sample is 0 (e.g. for FCNC samples, a different normalization approach is required)

Extracting the quadratic dependence, a toy example

- Let's say we have just two WCs, called c_1 and c_2
- We thus need 6 reweight points: $((n + 1)^2 - (n + 1))/2 + n + 1 \big|_{n=2} = 6$
- Let's say we run MG and get the following weights at the following points: \longrightarrow
- What we want to find are the structure constants (let's call them \vec{s}), given the set of reweight points and weights, i.e.: $\mathbf{A} \vec{s} = \vec{w}$

c1	c2	weight
0	0	1.000
0	1	0.909
5	0	1.403
5	10	0.721
-5	10	0.333
-10	10	0.418
10	10	1.194

(Notice that we have one more point than we need! This will let us make sure that this shape indeed looks quadratic)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & (c_1)_0 & (c_2)_0 & (c_1^2)_0 & (c_2^2)_0 & (c_1 c_2)_0 \\ 1 & (c_1)_1 & (c_2)_1 & (c_1^2)_1 & (c_2^2)_1 & (c_1 c_2)_1 \\ 1 & (c_1)_2 & (c_2)_2 & (c_1^2)_2 & (c_2^2)_2 & (c_1 c_2)_2 \\ 1 & (c_1)_3 & (c_2)_3 & (c_1^2)_3 & (c_2^2)_3 & (c_1 c_2)_3 \\ 1 & (c_1)_4 & (c_2)_4 & (c_1^2)_4 & (c_2^2)_4 & (c_1 c_2)_4 \\ 1 & (c_1)_5 & (c_2)_5 & (c_1^2)_5 & (c_2^2)_5 & (c_1 c_2)_5 \\ 1 & (c_1)_6 & (c_2)_6 & (c_1^2)_6 & (c_2^2)_6 & (c_1 c_2)_6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{s} = \begin{bmatrix} s_0 \\ s_1 \\ s_2 \\ s_3 \\ s_4 \\ s_5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_0(c_1, c_2) \\ w_1(c_1, c_2) \\ w_2(c_1, c_2) \\ w_3(c_1, c_2) \\ w_4(c_1, c_2) \\ w_5(c_1, c_2) \\ w_6(c_1, c_2) \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Extracting the quadratic dependence, a toy example

- Let's plug in the numbers from our seven reweight points and find the \vec{s} that minimizes $\|\vec{w} - \mathbf{A}\vec{s}\|$ using `numpy.linalg.lstsq`

```
import numpy as np

w = [ 1.000, 0.909, 1.403, 0.721, 0.333, 0.418, 1.194]
A = [
    [1.0, 0.0, 0.0, (0.0)**2, (0.0)**2, (0.0)*(0.0) ],
    [1.0, 0.0, 1.0, (0.0)**2, (1.0)*2, (0.0)*(1.0) ],
    [1.0, 5.0, 0.0, (5.0)**2, (0.0)**2, (5.0)*(0.0) ],
    [1.0, 5.0, 10.0, (5.0)**2, (10.0)**2, (5.0)*(10.0) ],
    [1.0, -5.0, 10.0, (-5.0)**2, (10.0)**2, (-5.0)*(10.0) ],
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    [1.0, 10.0, 10.0, (10.0)**2, (10.0)**2, (10.0)*(10.0) ],
]

s, resid, _, _ = np.linalg.lstsq(A,w,rcond=None)
```

And the sum of the squared residuals is just $1.15168414\text{e-}30$, not too big :)

- We find that: $s = [1.0, 0.062, -0.0996, 0.00372, 0.0043, -0.00232]$
- This means our quadratic dependence of the weight on WCs is thus:

$$w(c_1, c_2) = 1 + 0.062 c_1 - 0.0996 c_2 + 0.00372 c_1^2 + 0.0043 c_2^2 - 0.00232 c_1 c_2$$

plot (1. + 0.062x - 0.0996y + 0.00372x^2 + 0.0043y^2 - 0.00232x*y) from x=(-20,20) and y=(-20,20)

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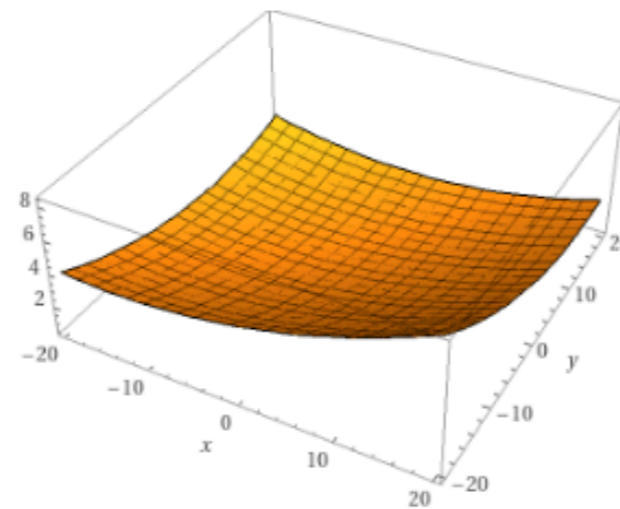
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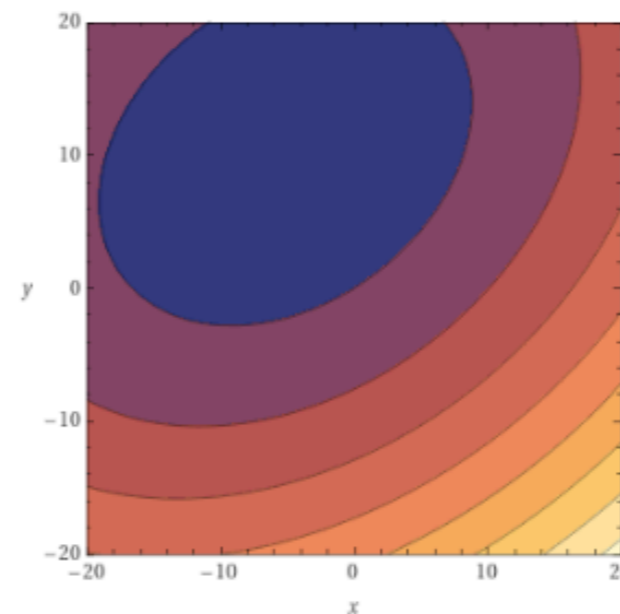
$y = -20$ to 20

3D plot

Show contour lines



Contour plot



Just for fun →