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Are Quantum Observables sensitive to CP violation in $t\bar{t}$ pairs?

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Quantum Observables in High Energy Physics

- Density operator for two spin $\frac{1}{2}$ particles:

$$\rho_{(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})} = \frac{1}{4} (\mathbb{I} \otimes \mathbb{I} + \boxed{B_i} \tau_i \otimes \mathbb{I} + \boxed{\bar{B}_i} \mathbb{I} \otimes \tau_i + \boxed{C_{ij}} \tau_i \otimes \tau_j)$$

Single-particle polarizations Correlations

Quantum Observables

- $t\bar{t}$ pairs in collider experiments:

- $\tau_{decay} < \tau_{hadr.}, \tau_{spin-flip};$
- Precise correlation between the $t(\bar{t})$ spin – direction of flight of decay products:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d \cos \theta} = \frac{\Gamma}{2} (1 + \alpha \cos \theta)$$

Particle	α
b	-0.3925(6)
W^+	0.3925(6)
ℓ^+	0.999(1)
d, \bar{s}	0.9664(7)
u, c	-0.3167(6)

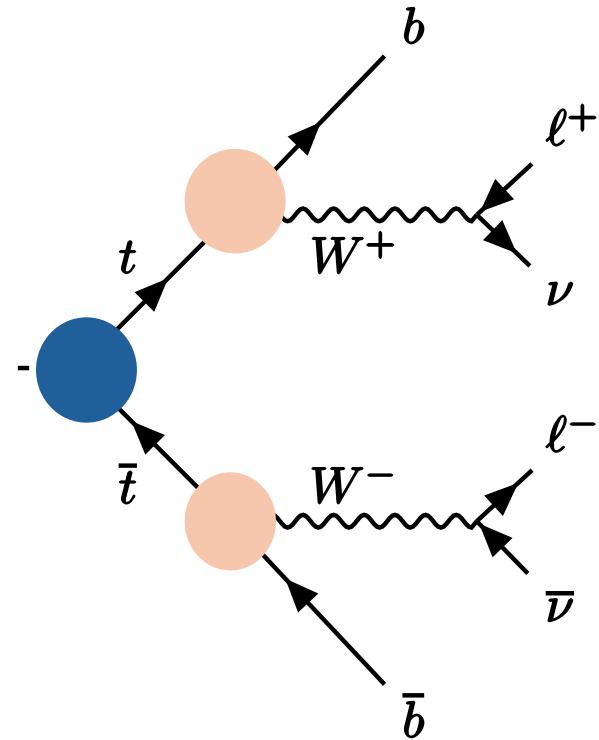
- Reconstruction of the state → **quantum state tomography**:

$$d\sigma \sim Tr[\rho_{t\bar{t}}(\rho^{Decay,t} \otimes \rho^{Decay,\bar{t}})^T] \longrightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta_i} = \frac{1}{2} [1 + \alpha_\ell \boxed{B_i} \cos \theta_i]$$

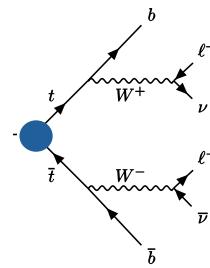
$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d(\cos \theta_i \cos \bar{\theta}_j)} = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \alpha_\ell \alpha_{\bar{\ell}} \boxed{C_{ij}} \cos \theta_i \cos \bar{\theta}_j) \ln \left(\frac{1}{|\cos \theta_i \cos \bar{\theta}_j|} \right)$$

New Physics and CP-violation in $t\bar{t}$ pairs

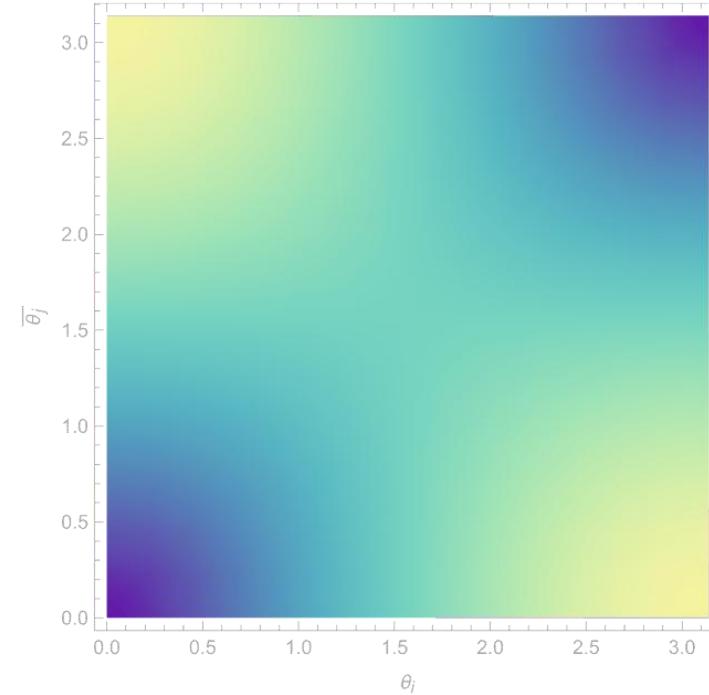
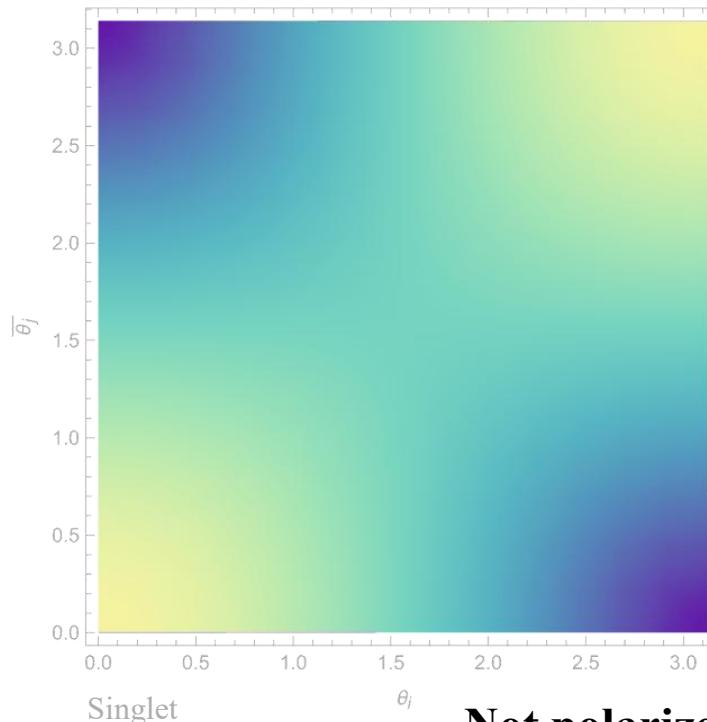


$$d\sigma \sim Tr [\rho_{t\bar{t}} (\rho^{Decay,t} \otimes \rho^{Decay,\bar{t}})^T]$$

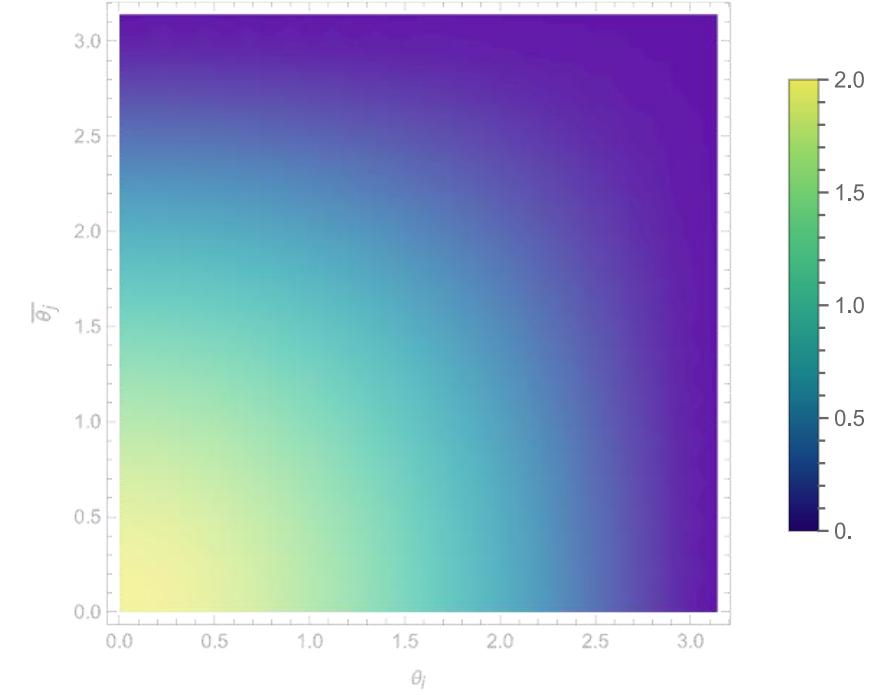
New Physics and CP-violation in production



$$\frac{4}{\sigma(\beta)} \frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta_i \ d \cos \bar{\theta}_j} = 1 + \alpha_\ell B_i \cos \theta_i + \bar{\alpha}_\ell \bar{B}_j \cos \bar{\theta}_j + \alpha_\ell \bar{\alpha}_\ell C_{ij} \cos \theta_i \cos \bar{\theta}_j$$

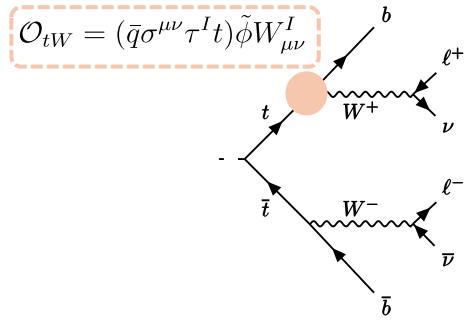


Not polarized but highly correlated

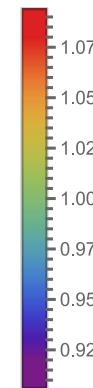
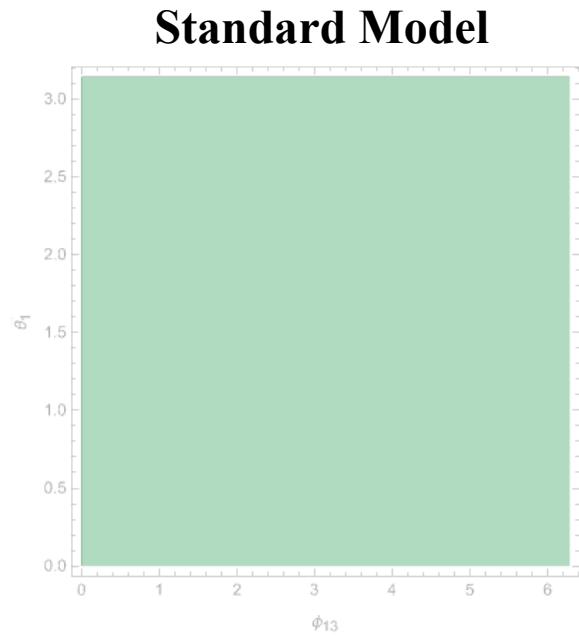


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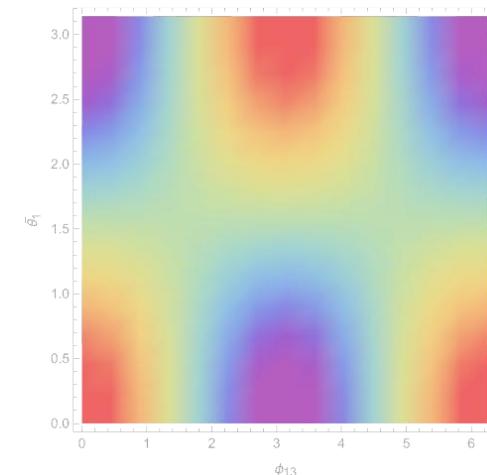
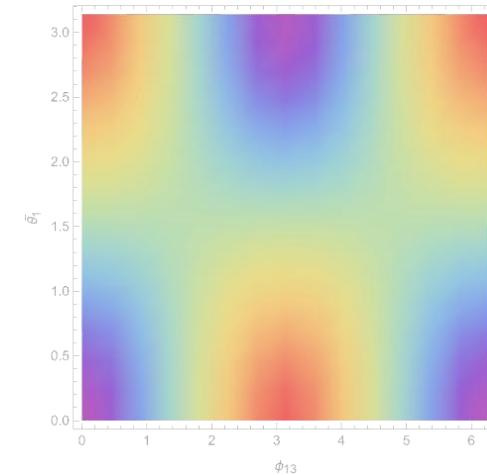
New Physics and CP-violation in decay



$$\frac{4\pi}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\phi_{13} d\cos\theta_1}$$



Without CP-violation



With CP-violation

