



Detecting Quantum Entanglement at Colliders

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Plan

- Introduction
 - Entanglement, Non-locality, Bell inequality
- Entanglement detection at Colliders

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$$H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$$

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$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$$

– $H \rightarrow WW^*, ZZ^*, pp \rightarrow WW, ZZ$

Entanglement



$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Alice} & \swarrow & \swarrow & \text{Bob} \\ |\Psi_{AB}^{(0,0)}\rangle &\simeq & |+\rangle \otimes |-\rangle - |-\rangle \otimes |+\rangle \end{array}$$

$$\neq |\Psi_A\rangle \otimes |\Psi_B\rangle$$
 - entangled

$$|\Psi_{AB}^{\text{sep}}\rangle = |\Psi_{A}\rangle \otimes |\Psi_{B}\rangle \quad \leftarrow \text{ separable}$$

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- Nonlocal states in QM does not violate causality

$$p(a | x, y) \equiv \sum_{b} p(a, b | x, y)$$

Condition for no causality violation: No-Signalling [Cirel'son(1980), Popescu, Rohrlich(1994)]

 ${}^{\forall}a, b, x, x', y, y' \begin{cases} p(a \mid x, y) = p(a \mid x, y') & \text{Alice's dist. is indep. of Bob's choice for meas. axis} \\ p(b \mid x, y) = p(b \mid x', y) & \text{Bob's dist. is indep. of Alice's choice for meas. axis} \end{cases}$

No-signalling \supset **Quantum** \supset **Local** \supset **Separable**

Bell Inequalities

- Bell-type inequalities (in general) are the inequalities that separate different types of distributions (No-signalling, Quantum, Local).

- Define the correlator $C_{xy} = \langle A_x B_y \rangle \equiv \sum_{a,b} abp(a, b | x, y)$

- CHSH inequality [Clauser-Horne-Shimony-Holt(1969)]

For $a, b \in \{\pm 1\}, x \in \{\mathbf{n}_1, \mathbf{n}_2\}, y \in \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2\}$ $S_{\text{CHSH}} \equiv C_{\mathbf{n}_1, \mathbf{e}_1} + C_{\mathbf{n}_1, \mathbf{e}_2} + C_{\mathbf{n}_2, \mathbf{e}_1} - C_{\mathbf{n}_2, \mathbf{e}_2}$ $S_{\text{CHSH}} \leq \begin{cases} 2 & \text{Local theories} \quad [\text{CHSH}(1969)] \\ 2\sqrt{2} & \text{Quantum Mechanics} \quad [\text{Tsirelson}(1987)] \\ 4 & \text{No-signalling} \quad [\text{Popescu, Rohrlich}(1994)] \end{cases}$

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No-signalling \supset Quantum \supset Local \supset Separable \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow $C[\rho] = 0$ $S_{\text{CHSH}} = 2\sqrt{2}$ $S_{\text{CHSH}} = 2$ $C[\rho] = 0_+$ for all separable states

✤ Violation of Bell inequality, $S_{\rm CHSH} > 2$, has been observed at energies $\ll {\rm TeV}$

- Entangled photon pairs (from decays of Calcium atoms)

Clauser, Horne, Shimony, Holt (1969), Freedman and Clauser (1972), A. Aspect et. al. (1981, 1982), Y. H. Shih, C. O. Alley (1988), L. K. Shalm et al. (2015) [50]

- Entangled proton pairs (from decays of ²He)

M. M. Lamehi-Rachti, W. Mitting (1972), H. Sakai (2006)

- $K^0 \overline{K^0}$, $B^0 \overline{B^0}$ flavour oscillation CPLEAR (1999), Belle (2004, 2007)

- $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi + K^*(892)^0$ spin correlation, $S_{\text{CGLMP}} > 2$, [36 σ]

Fabbrichesi, Floreanini, Gabrielli, Marzola (2023)

→ Normalised helicity amplitude for $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi + K^*(892)^0$

$$\begin{aligned} |A_{\parallel}|^2 &= 0.227 \pm 0.004 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.011 \text{ (syst.)}, \\ |A_{\perp}|^2 &= 0.201 \pm 0.004 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.008 \text{ (syst.)}, \\ \delta_{\parallel} \text{ [rad]} &= -2.94 \pm 0.02 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (syst.)}, \\ \delta_{\perp} \text{ [rad]} &= 2.94 \pm 0.02 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (syst.)}. \end{aligned}$$



Testing QM at high energy colliders



Motivation

- Bell inequalities/Entanglement have not been tested at the TeV energy scale:
 - ➡ LHC (and FCC_{ee/hh}) provides the unique opportunity for this test
- Detection of Entanglement/Bell violation requires a detailed analysis of spin correlation:
 - provides a very good test for the Standard Model (sensitive to BSM)

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$$\tilde{\Delta} = |C_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}} + C_{\mathbf{r}\mathbf{r}}| - C_{\mathbf{n}\mathbf{n}} > 0 \quad \text{Entanglement detection} \quad \mathbf{r}^{\mathbf{k}} \rightarrow \mathbf{n}$$

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[Fabbrichesi, Floreanini, Gabrielli (2023)]

$$\delta = 0$$

$$|\Psi^{(s=1,m)}\rangle \propto \left(\begin{array}{c} |++\rangle & (CP \text{ even}) \\ |+-\rangle + |-+\rangle \\ |--\rangle \end{array} \right)$$

$$\delta = \pi/2 \text{ (CP odd)}$$

$$|\Psi^{(0,0)}\rangle \propto |+-\rangle - |-+\rangle$$

Parity:
$$P = (\eta_f \eta_{\bar{f}}) \cdot (-1)^l$$
 with $\eta_f \eta_{\bar{f}} = -1$:

$$J^P = \begin{cases} 0^+ \Longrightarrow & l = s = 1\\ 0^- \Longrightarrow & l = s = 0 \end{cases}$$

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Four measurement axes in
$$S_{\text{CHSH}}$$
: $(\mathbf{n}_1, \mathbf{n}_2, \mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2) = \left(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{n}, \frac{\mathbf{n} + \mathbf{r}}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{\mathbf{n} - \mathbf{r}}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$ boost of H
at H rest frame
 τ^{-} \mathbf{r}
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 $\mathcal{C}[\rho] = 1$ (maximally entangled)



[Altakach, Lamba, Maltoni, Mawatari, Sakurai (2023)]

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 τ^{\pm} rest frames must be reconstructed very precisely



We overcome this by incorporating the **impact parameter** info in the event reconstruction with the log-likelihood

Talk by Priyanka Lamba (tomorrow)

MC-sim for FCC_{ee}: $L = 5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$, $E_{CM} = 240 \text{ GeV}$

 $C[\rho] = 0.871 \pm 0.084 \Rightarrow \text{Entanglement} \gg 5\sigma$

 $S_{\text{CHSH}}/2 = 1.276 \pm 0.094 \Rightarrow \text{Bell nonlocality} \sim 3\sigma$

[Afik, Nova (2021, 2022)]

$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ @LHC

• At the rest frame of $t\overline{t}$, the kinematics is determined by:

 Θ : the angle between t and the beam line ($0 \le \Theta \le \pi/2$)

 $M_{t\overline{t}}$: the inv. mass of $t\overline{t}$

• gg and $q\bar{q}$ initial states contribute stochastically \Rightarrow the $t\bar{t}$ spin state is necessarily **mixed**

$$\rho(M_{t\bar{t}},\Theta) = \sum_{I=gg,q\bar{q}} w_I(M_{t\bar{t}},\Theta) \cdot \rho^I(M_{t\bar{t}},\Theta)$$





$$w_{I}(M_{t\bar{t}},\Theta) = \frac{L_{I}(M_{t\bar{t}})\tilde{A}^{I}(M_{t\bar{t}},\Theta)}{\sum_{J} L_{J}(M_{t\bar{t}})\tilde{A}^{J}(M_{t\bar{t}},\Theta)}$$

 $\tilde{A}^{I}(M_{t\bar{t}},\Theta)$: partonic differential x-section

 $L_I(M_{t\bar{t}})$: luminosity function



MC-sim: di-leptonic decay, $pp \to t\bar{t} \to (b\ell^+\nu)(\bar{b}\ell^-\bar{\nu})$



selecting events here HL-LHC $(L = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1})$ [Severi, Boschi, Maltoni, Sioli (2022)] $|C_{kk} + C_{rr}| - C_{nn} = 1.36 \pm 0.07 > 1 \Rightarrow \text{Entanglement} \gg 5\sigma$ $\sqrt{2}S_{\text{CHSH}}/2 = 2.20 \pm 0.1 > 2 \Rightarrow \text{Bell nonlocality} \sim 1.8\sigma$

MC-sim: semi-leptonic decay, $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow (b\ell\nu)(bjj)$

[Dong, Goncalves, Kong, Navarro (2023)]

boosted top-tagging





Entanglement in CMS

[Phys. Rev. D 100, 072002]



To see the entanglement, selecting certain kinematical regions is crucial. A dedicated analysis is needed.

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

• Conceptually less clear since one particle is off-shell.

 \Rightarrow virtual particle with mass shifted: $m_{V^*} = f \cdot m_V (0 < f < 1)$

- two qutrits (rather than qubits)
- the final state is pure:

$$\begin{split} |\Psi_{VV^*}\rangle &\simeq |+-\rangle - \beta |00\rangle + |-+\rangle \\ \beta &= 1 + \frac{m_H^2 - (1+f)^2 m_V^2}{2fm_V^2} \sim 1 \end{split} \right\} \end{split}$$

 \Rightarrow (almost) maximally entangled

[Barr (2022)] [Aguilar-Saavedra ,Bernal, Casas, Moreno (2022)] [Aguilar-Saavedra (2023)] [Fabbrichesi, Floreanini, Gabrielli, Marzola (2023)]

CGLMP Qutrit inequality

CGLMP function

[Collins Gisin Linden Massar Popescu (2002)]

$$\begin{split} I_3 &\equiv P(A_1 = B_1) + P(B_1 = A_2 + 1) + P(A_2 = B_2) + P(B_2 = A_1) \\ &- P(A_1 = B_1 - 1) - P(B_1 = A_2) - P(A_2 = B_2 - 1) - P(B_2 = A_1 - 1) \end{split}$$
*) $P(A_i = B_j + k)$ is the probability that A_i and B_j are differ by $k \mod 3$

$$I_3 \leq \left\{ egin{array}{ccc} 2 & \mbox{Local theories} \ 1+\sqrt{11/3} \simeq 2.9149 & \mbox{Quantum Mechanics} \end{array}
ight.$$

Quantum state tomography

- It is convenient to reconstruct the density matrix from the kinematics, then analysis entanglement and nonlocality
- density matrix is 9 x 9 Hermitian matrix with unit trace. It can be expanded by two sets of Gell-Mann matrices and 8 + 8 + 64 = 80 real parameters $(9^2 1)$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{9}(\mathbf{1} \otimes \mathbf{1}) + \frac{1}{3}\sum_{i=1}^{8} a_i(\lambda_i \otimes \mathbf{1}) + \frac{1}{3}\sum_{j=1}^{8} b_j(\mathbf{1} \otimes \lambda_j) + \sum_{i,j=1}^{8} c_{ij}(\lambda_i \otimes \lambda_j)$$

• real parameters a_i, b_j, c_{ij} can be reconstructed from the directions of two charged leptons, \mathbf{n}_1 and \mathbf{n}_2 , using the eight Wigner P functions, Φ_i^P

$$a_i = \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \mathbf{\Phi}_i^P \mathbf{n}_1 \right\rangle_{\text{av}} \qquad b_i = \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \mathbf{\Phi}_i^P \mathbf{n}_2 \right\rangle_{\text{av}} \qquad c_{ij} = \frac{1}{4} \left\langle (\mathbf{\Phi}_i^P \mathbf{n}_1) (\mathbf{\Phi}_j^P \mathbf{n}_2) \right\rangle_{\text{av}}$$

[Ashby-Pickering, Barr, Wierzchucka (2022)]

Quantum state tomography

- Wigner functions for $W^{\pm} \to \mathscr{C}^{\pm} \nu$

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$$\Phi_1^{P\pm} = \sqrt{2}(5\cos\theta\pm 1)\sin\theta\cos\phi$$
$$\Phi_2^{P\pm} = \sqrt{2}(5\cos\theta\pm 1)\sin\theta\sin\phi$$
$$\Phi_3^{P\pm} = \frac{1}{4}(\pm 4\cos\theta + 15\cos 2\theta + 5)$$
$$\Phi_4^{P\pm} = 5\sin^2\theta\cos 2\phi$$

$$\Phi_5^{P\pm} = 5\sin^2\theta\sin 2\phi$$

$$\Phi_6^{P\pm} = \sqrt{2}(\pm 1 - 5\cos\theta)\sin\theta\cos\phi$$

$$\Phi_7^{P\pm} = \sqrt{2}(\pm 1 - 5\cos\theta)\sin\theta\sin\phi$$

$$\Phi_8^{P\pm} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}}(\pm 12\cos\theta - 15\cos 2\theta - 5)$$



CGLMP function I_3 in optimal measurement axes

[Fabbrichesi, Floreanini, Gabrielli, Marzola (2023)]







 $pp \rightarrow ZZ$



Effect of BSM $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

$$\mathcal{O}_{tG} = g_S \,\overline{Q} T_A \tilde{\varphi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} t \, G^A_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{tq}^8 = \sum_{f=1}^2 (\overline{q}_f \gamma_\mu T_A q_f) (\overline{t} \gamma^\mu T^A t)$$



 β : top velocity in the $t\bar{t}$ rest frame

[Aoude Madge Maltoni Mantani (2022)]



[Severi Vryonidou (2023)]

Effect of BSM $H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$

[Altakach, Lamba, Maltoni, Mawatari, Sakurai (2023)]

- Under CP, the spin correlation matrix transforms: $C \xrightarrow{CP} C^T$
- This can be used for a *model-independent* test of CP violation. We define:

$$A \equiv (C_{rn} - C_{nr})^2 + (C_{nk} - C_{kn})^2 + (C_{kr} - C_{rk})^2 \ge 0$$

• From MC-sim (assuming the SM, i.e. $\delta = 0$), we find

$$A = 0.112 \pm 0.085$$
 (FCC_{ee})

CP-violating Yukawa interaction gives

$$\mathscr{L}_{\text{int}} \propto H \bar{\psi}_{\tau}(\cos \delta + i\gamma_5 \sin \delta) \psi_{\tau} \quad \blacktriangleright \quad C_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\delta & \sin 2\delta & 0 \\ -\sin 2\delta & \cos 2\delta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \bigstar \quad A(\delta) = 4 \sin^2 2\delta$$
$$|\delta| < 6.4^o \quad (\text{FCC}_{\text{ee}})$$

Summary

- Quantum property measurements (entanglement and Bell inequality) at LHC and future lepton colliders have recently been studied.
- Such tests are important to look for beyond QM at high energies but it is also sensitive to BSM in the QFT framework.
- Promising processes: $pp \to t\bar{t}, VV, H \to VV^*, \tau^+\tau^-$
- Experiments by ATLAS and CMS a bit behind the theoretical studies

Future prospects

- Feasibility studies for $pp \rightarrow VV$, $H \rightarrow VV^*$ including background
- $pp \to H(Z) \to \tau^+ \tau^-$ at the LHC, tau decay modes other than $\tau \to \pi \nu$
- Entanglement in 3 parties? $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}W$
- Testing not only the quantum state but also quantum process (CPTP maps).







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