

‘Profile Likelihoods on ML-Steroids’

Accelerating global SMEFT fits using neural importance sampling

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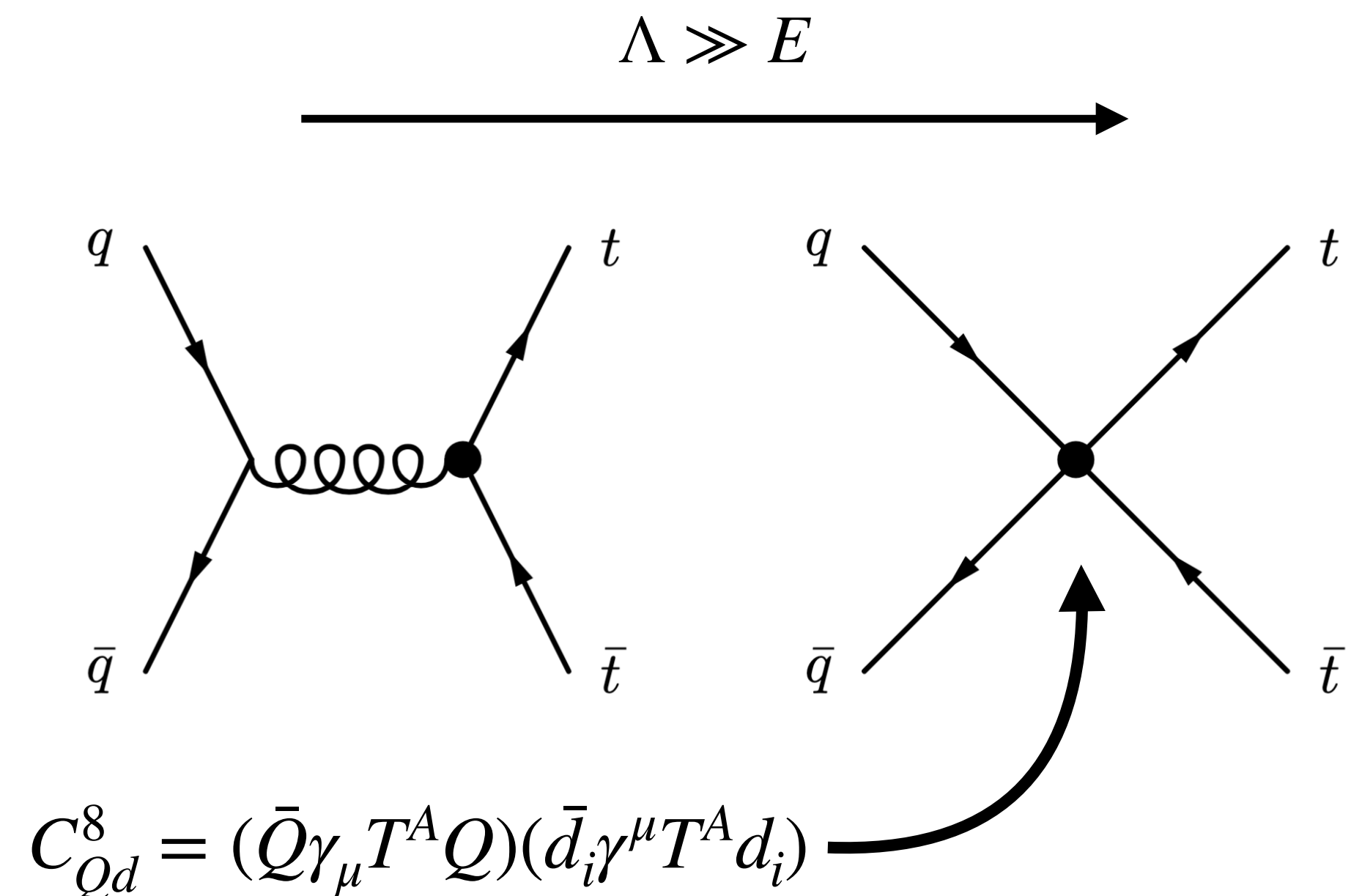
SMEFT predictions

- Model agnostic approach to look for signs of new physics

$$\mathcal{L}_{SMEFT} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_i \frac{C_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)} + \dots$$

- Here: **Dimension 6** operators, up to quadratic contributions

Example: $t\bar{t}$ production

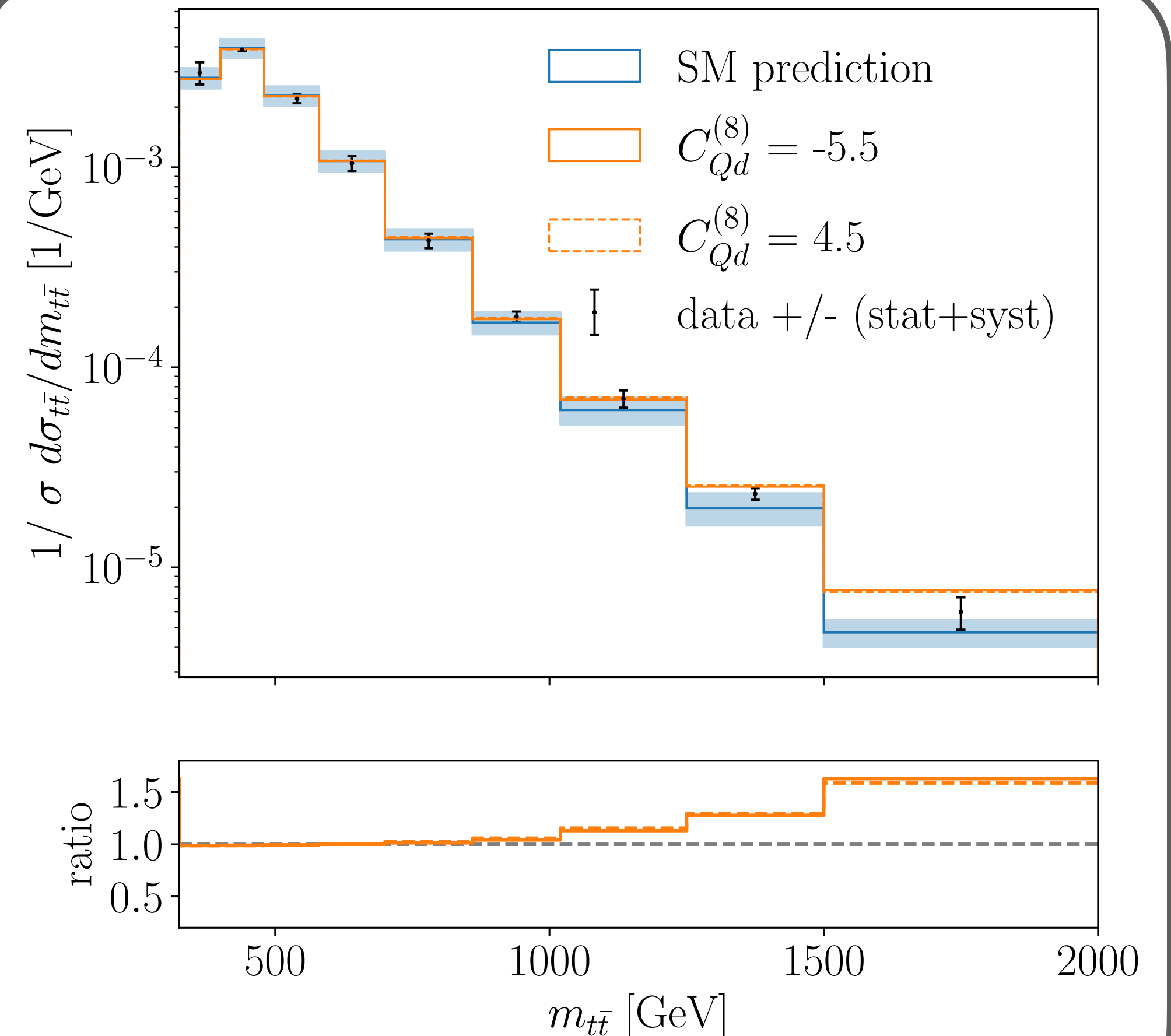


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SMEFT predictions

- Take data from experiment
- Simulation via e.g. MadGraph and SMEFTatNLO
- Predictions for each bin, given in **simple bilinear** form

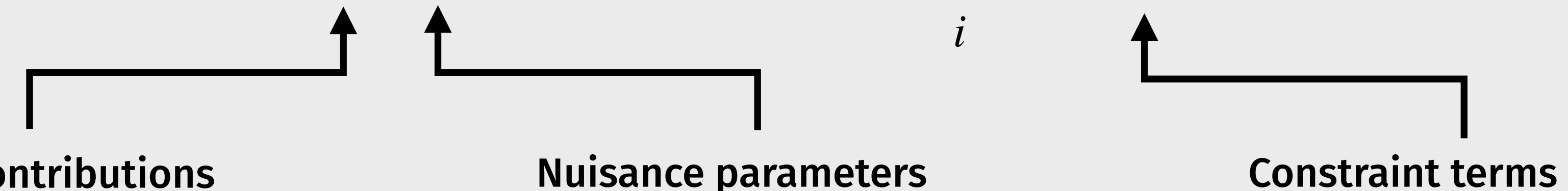
$$p_i^{(b)} = W_{ijk} C_j^{(b)} \tilde{C}_k^{(b)} + B_i$$



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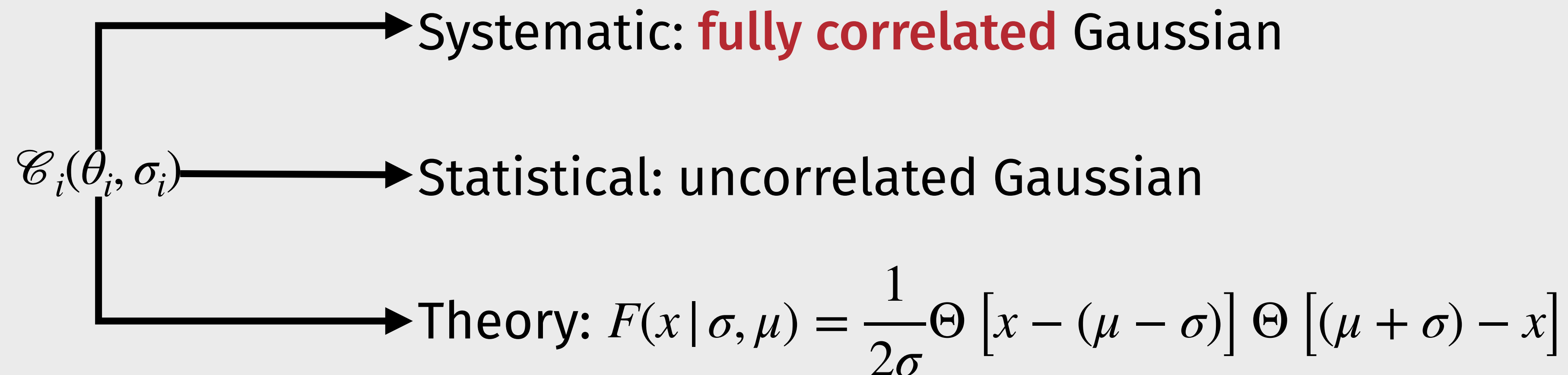
SFITTER - LIKELIHOOD

Likelihood construction

$$L_{\text{excl}} = \text{Pois}(d | p(C, \theta, b)) \text{Pois}(b_{CR} | bk) \prod_i \mathcal{C}_i(\theta_i, \sigma_i)$$


SMEFT contributions Nuisance parameters Constraint terms

Constraints



$\mathcal{C}_i(\theta_i, \sigma_i)$ → Systematic: **fully correlated** Gaussian

$\mathcal{C}_i(\theta_i, \sigma_i)$ → Statistical: uncorrelated Gaussian

$\mathcal{C}_i(\theta_i, \sigma_i)$ → Theory: $F(x | \sigma, \mu) = \frac{1}{2\sigma} \Theta [x - (\mu - \sigma)] \Theta [(\mu + \sigma) - x]$

SFITTER - PROFILING

Likelihood profiling

- Remove nuisances via **profiling** $L_{\text{prof}}(x) = \max_{\theta, b} L_{\text{excl}}$

Gaussian contribution

$$\log L_{\text{Gauss}}(\tilde{s} | d, b_{CR}) = \frac{(d - b_{CR} - \tilde{s}_{\sigma})^2}{\sum_{\text{syst}} (\sigma_{d,i} - \sigma_{b,i})^2}$$

Poisson contribution

$$\log L_{\text{pois},b}(\tilde{s} | d, b_{CR}) = b_{CR} - (d - \tilde{s}_{\sigma}) \log(d - \tilde{s}_{\sigma}) + \log \frac{(d - \tilde{s}_{\sigma})!}{b_{CR}!}$$

$$\log L_{\text{pois},d}(\tilde{s} | d, b_{CR}) = d - (\tilde{s}_{\sigma} + b_{CR}) \log(\tilde{s}_{\sigma} + b_{CR}) + \log \frac{(\tilde{s}_{\sigma} + b_{CR})!}{d!}$$

Full likelihood

$$\frac{1}{L_{\text{full}}} \approx \frac{1}{L_{\text{Gauss}}} + \frac{1}{L_{\text{Pois},b}} + \frac{1}{L_{\text{Pois},d}}$$

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- **Complementarity** of processes helps resolve blind directions

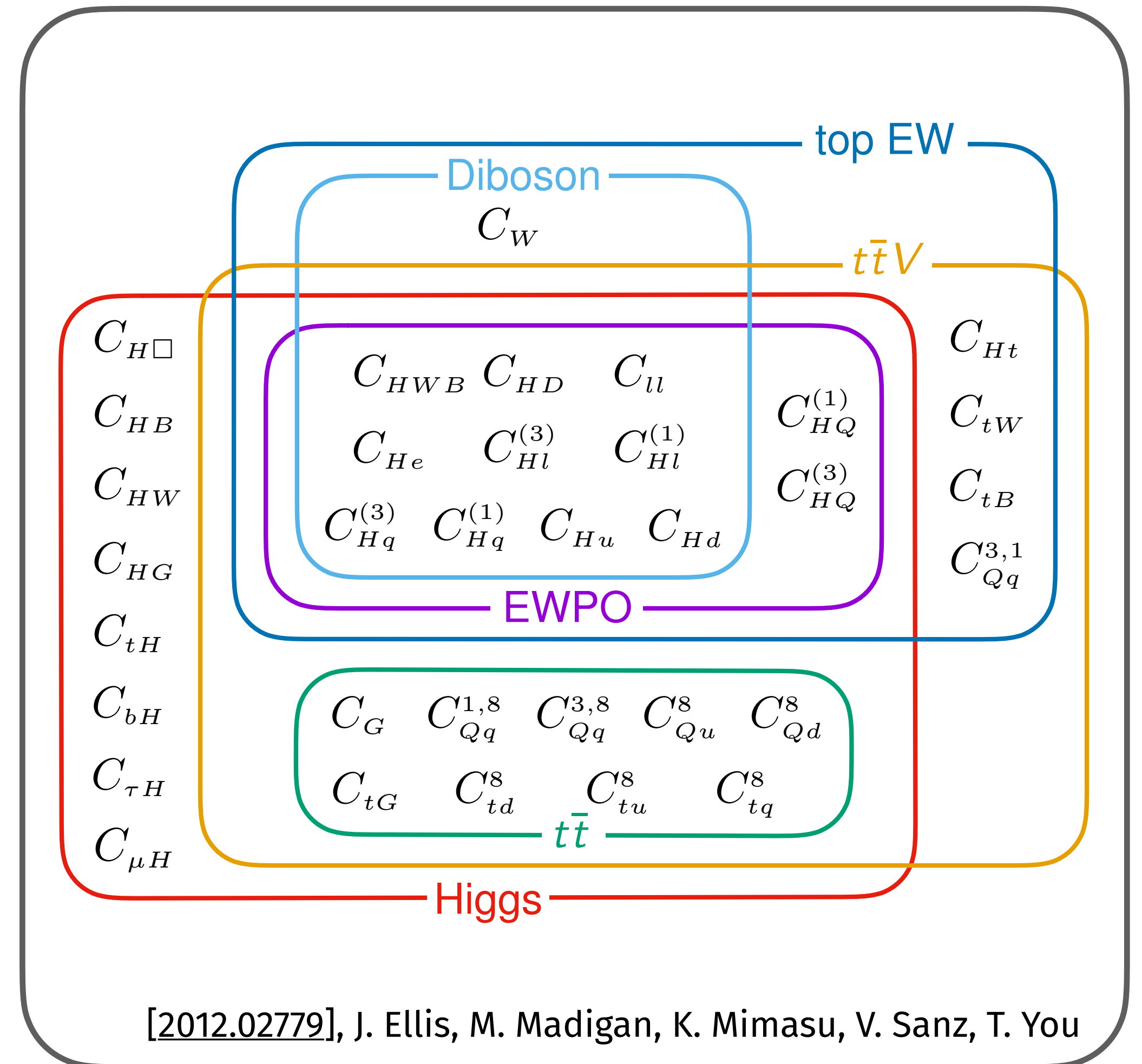
Wilson coeff		$t\bar{t}$	single t	tW	tZ	t -decay	$t\bar{t}Z$	$t\bar{t}W$
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$C_{\phi Q}^-$	Eq.(5)	—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	—	Λ^{-2}	—
$C_{\phi Q}^3$		—	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	—
$C_{\phi t}$		—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	—	Λ^{-2}	—
$C_{\phi tb}$		—	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	—	—
C_{tZ}		—	—	—	Λ^{-2}	—	Λ^{-2}	—
C_{tW}		—	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}	—	—
C_{bW}		—	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	Λ^{-4}	—	—
C_{tG}		Λ^{-2}	$[\Lambda^{-2}]$	Λ^{-2}	—	$[\Lambda^{-2}]$	Λ^{-2}	Λ^{-2}

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- Necessary to study **cross-talk** between different physics sectors



SFITTER – DATASET

Top sector

- Consider **Top** sector with **22 Wilson coefficients** [2312.12502]
 - 122 datapoints
 - many distributions (including boosted top)
 - includes $t\bar{t}$, $t\bar{t}Z$, $t\bar{t}W$ and SingleTop
 - also top decays, charge asymmetries

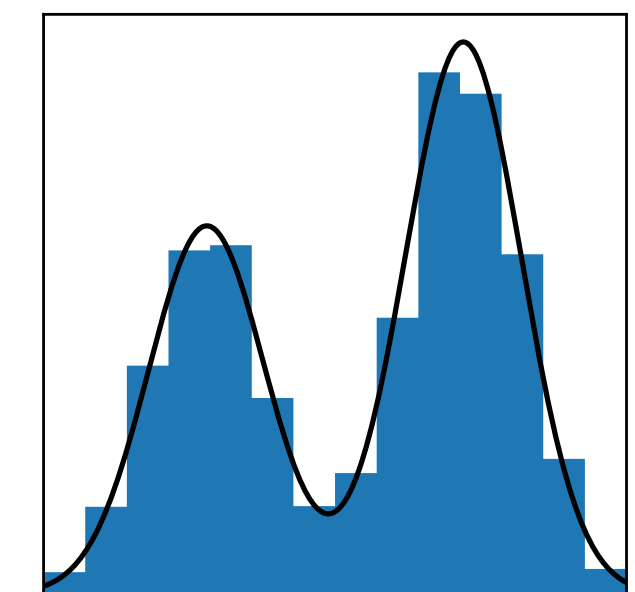
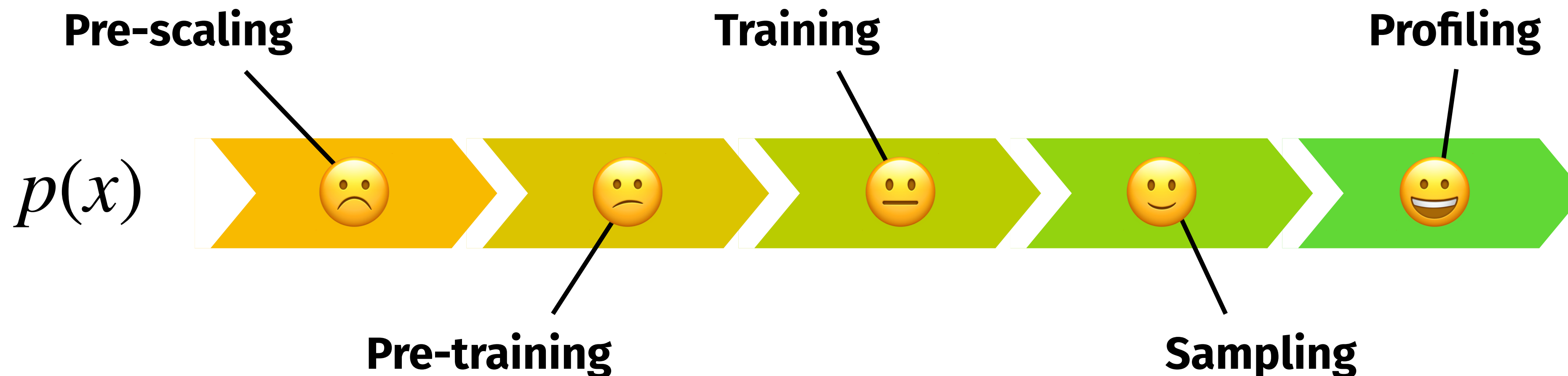
Higgs sector

- **Higgs** sector with **20 Wilson coefficients** [2208.08454]
 - 311 Higgs datapoints
 - 43 Di-Boson datapoints
 - 14 EWPOs (linear SMEFT contr.)
 - 4 high kinematic measurements

The five steps to happiness

Learning the likelihood

- How to extract constraints on the WCs?
- SFITTER makes use of MCMC, but that is too **slow**
- **Alternative:** Train a normalizing flow to speed this up





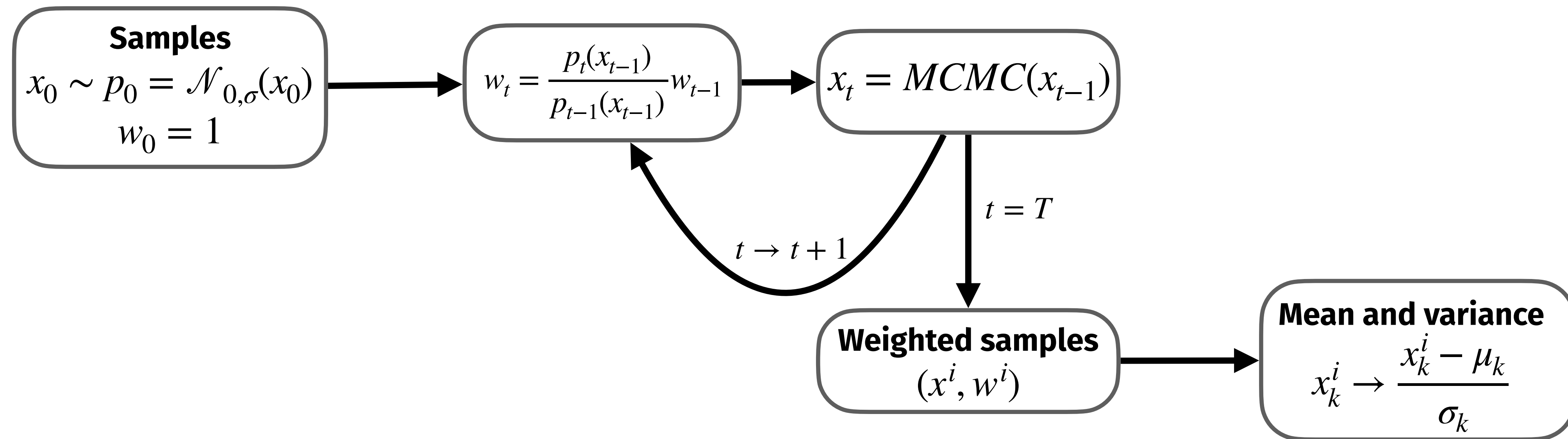
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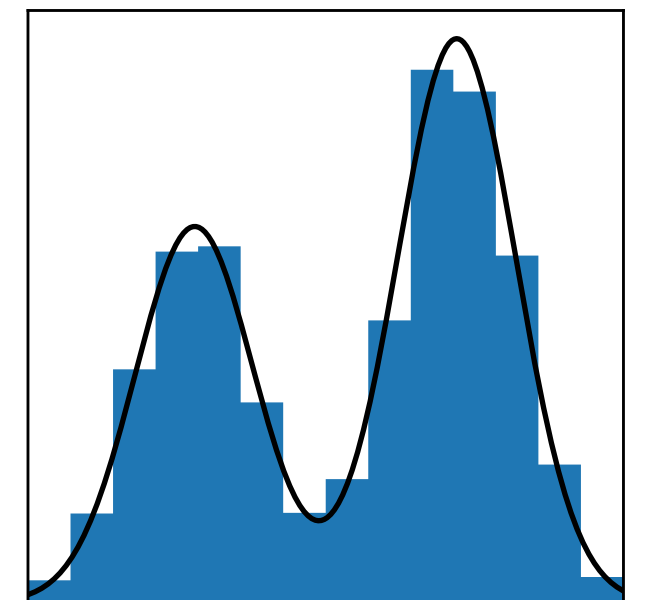
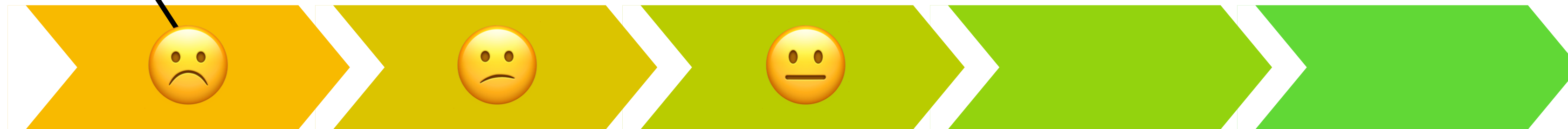
- Re-scaled** parameters: Zero mean, unit variance

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- normalize distribution

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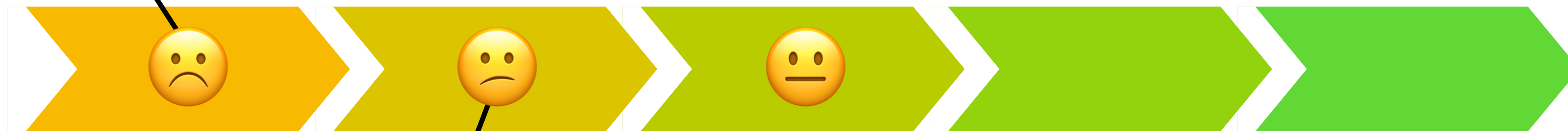


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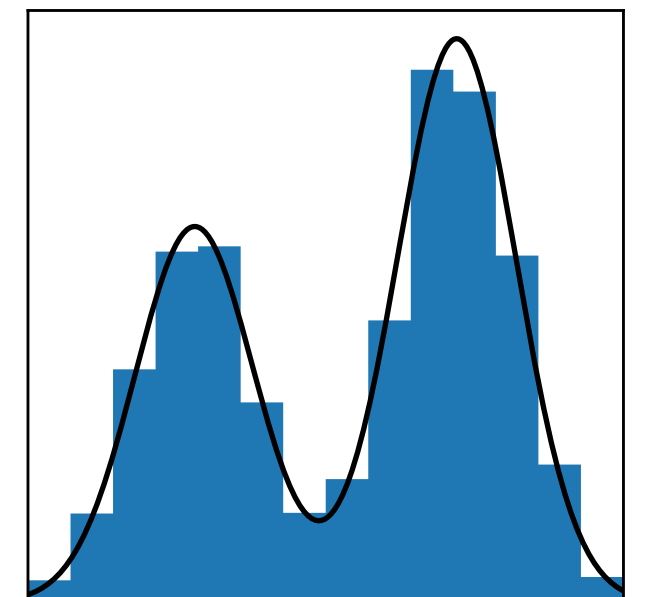
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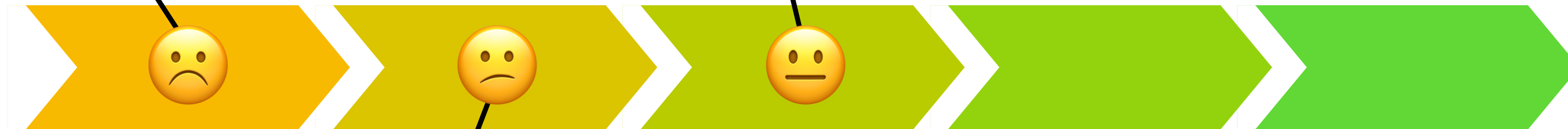
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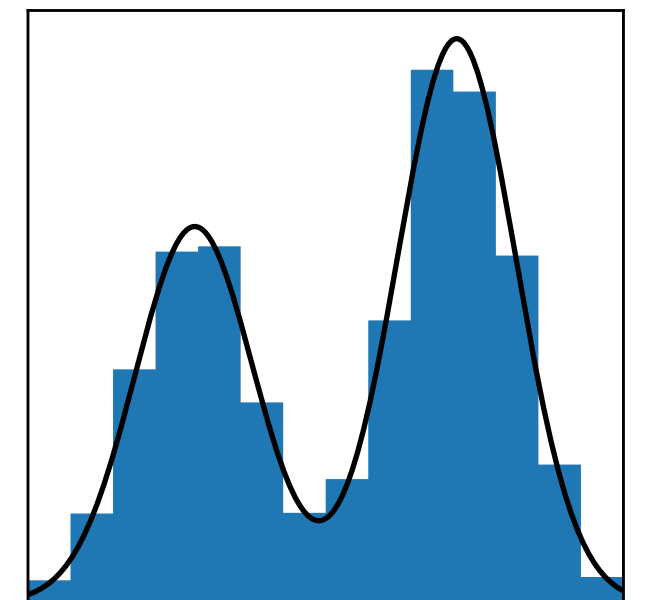
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[Midgley et al. [2208.01893](#)]

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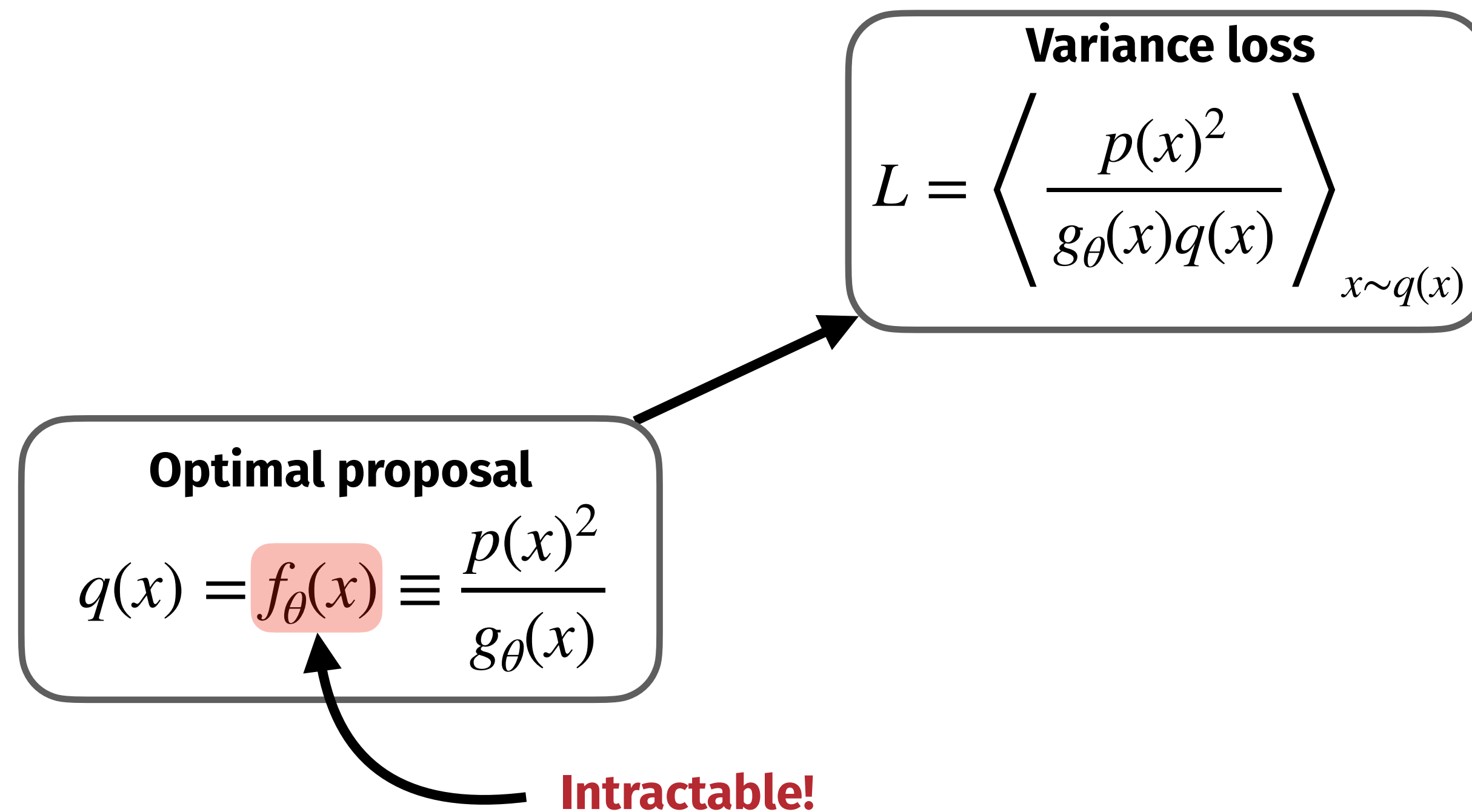
$$q(x) = f_{\theta}(x) \equiv \frac{p(x)^2}{g_{\theta}(x)}$$



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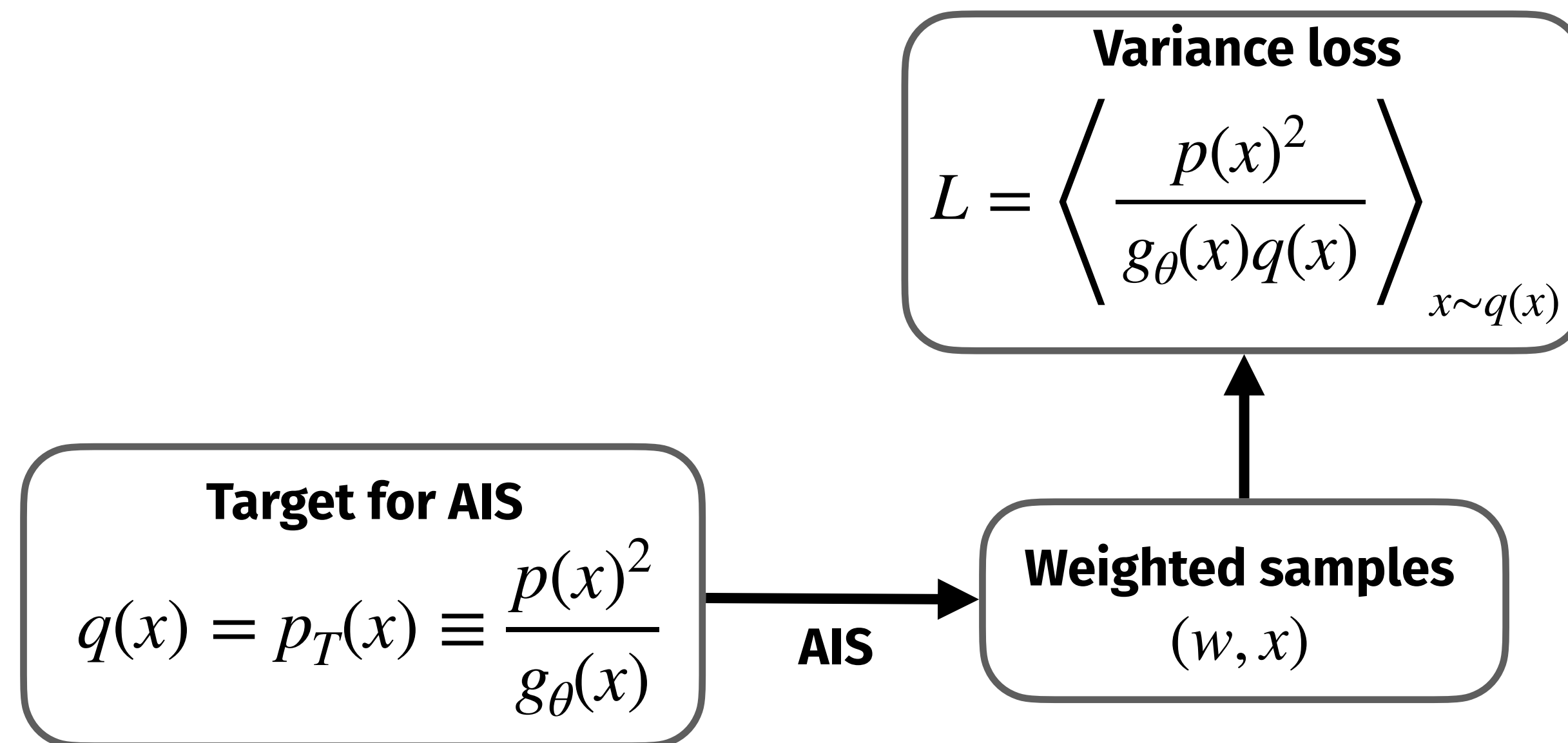




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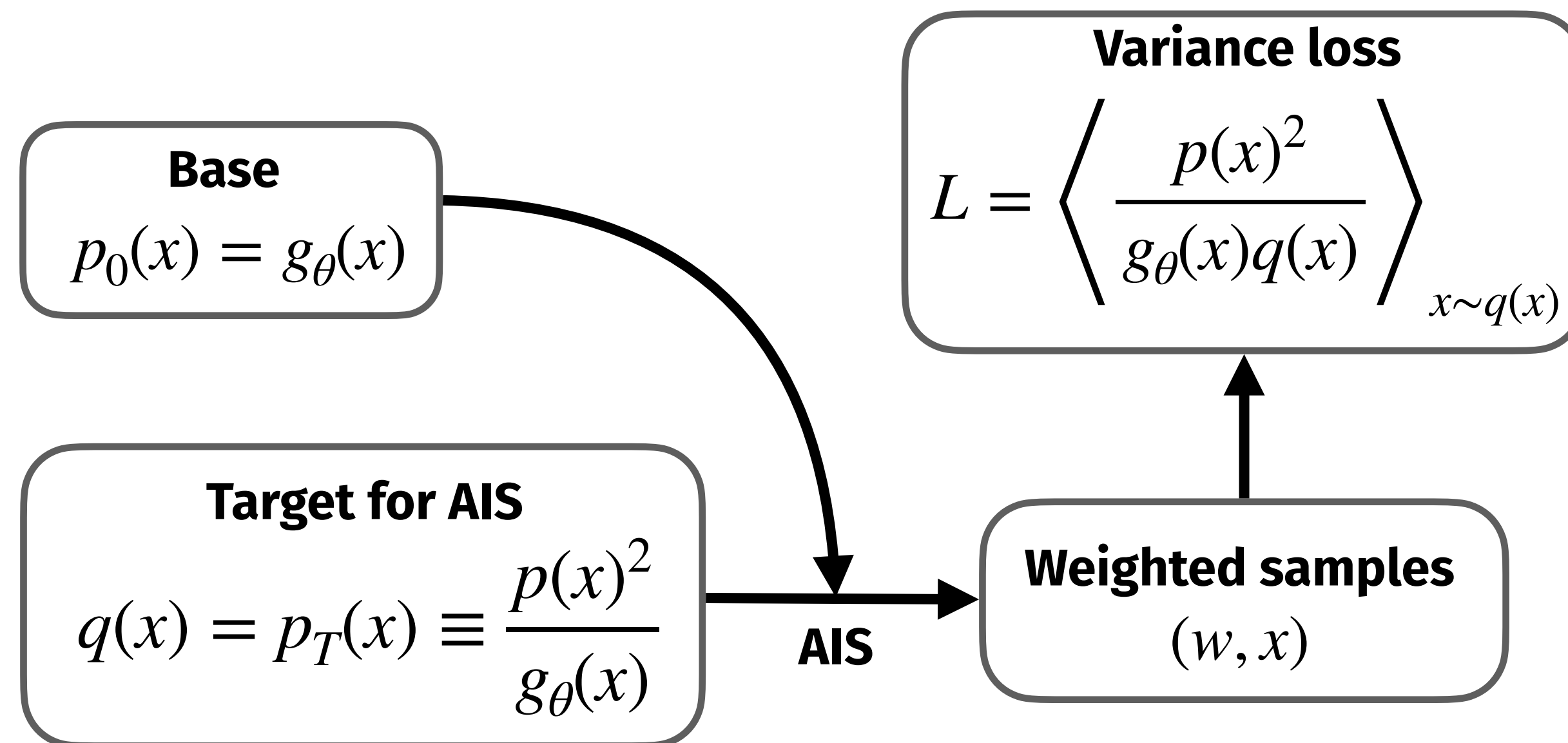




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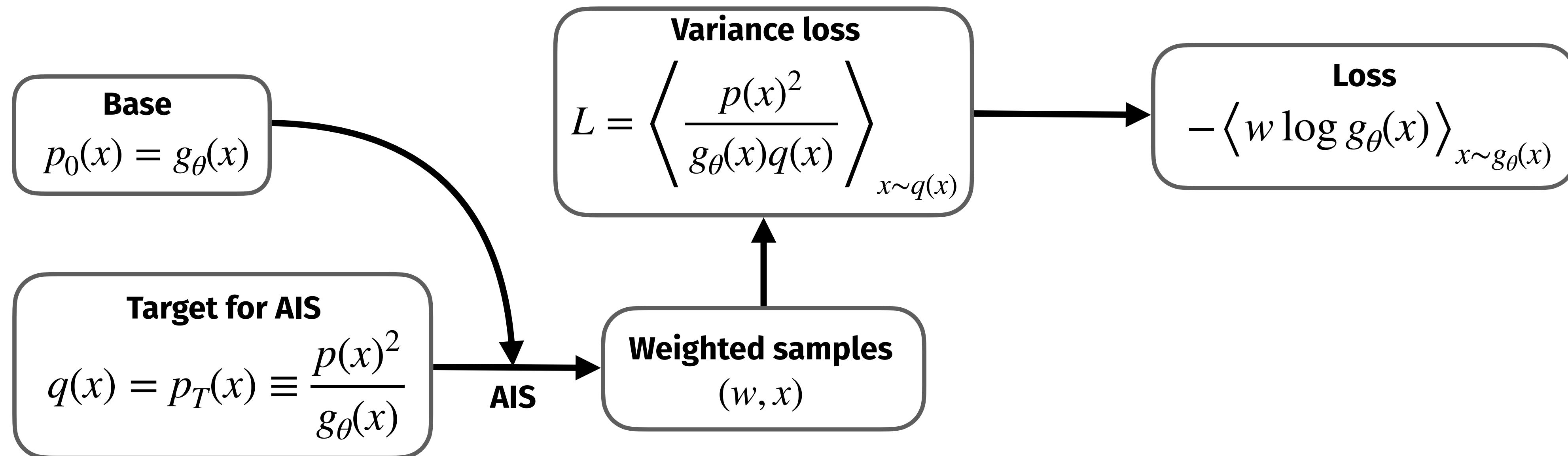




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- Simple loss, **fast sampling** from $g_\theta(x)$.

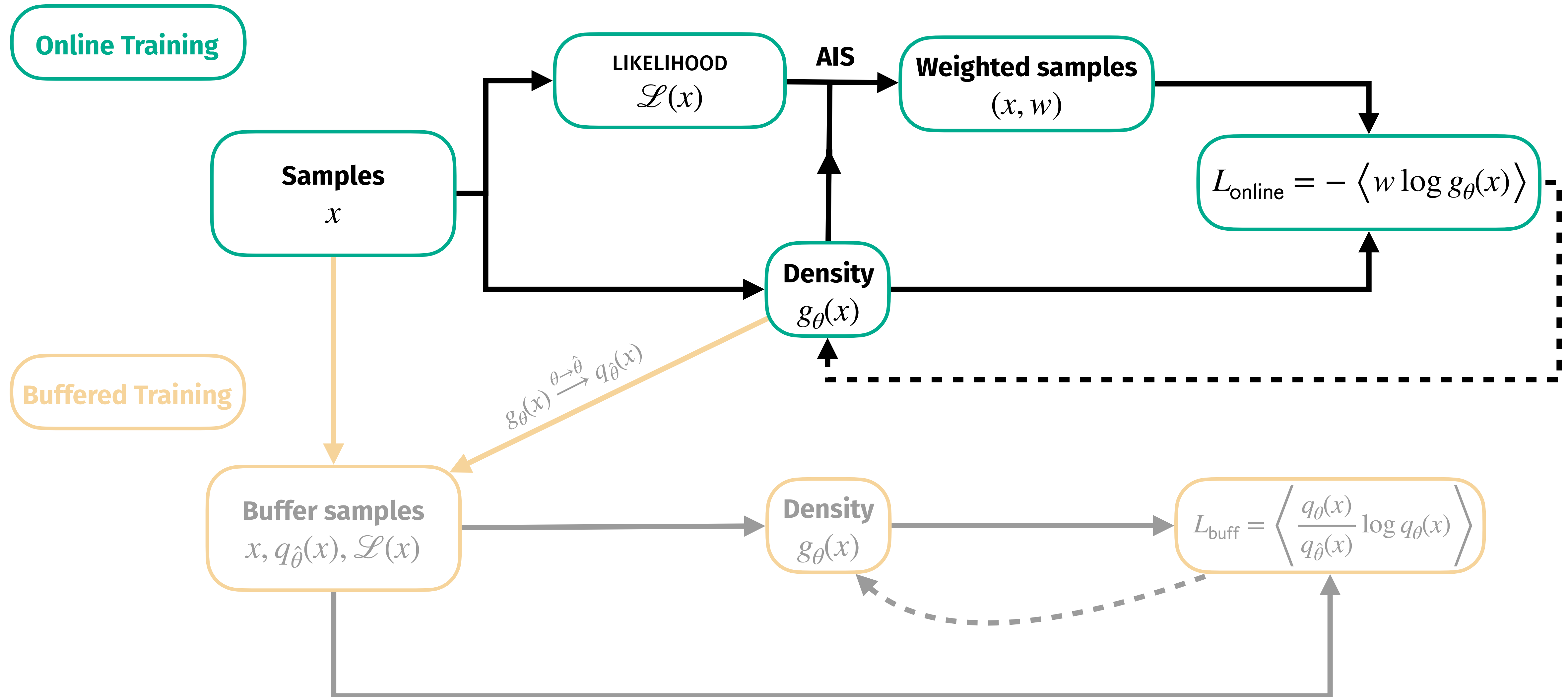
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Sampling

Profiling



To profile or to marginalize

How to compute constraints
from high-dimensional likelihood?

Profiling

Look for the **maximum**
in parameter space

$$\max_T p(M | T)$$

Marginalization

Integrate over
parameter space

$$\int_T p(T | M) = \int_T p(M | T) \frac{p(T)}{p(M)}$$

→ Support **both** in our global fits

The final steps to happiness

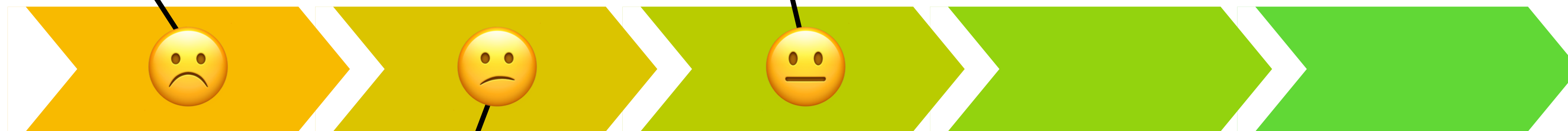
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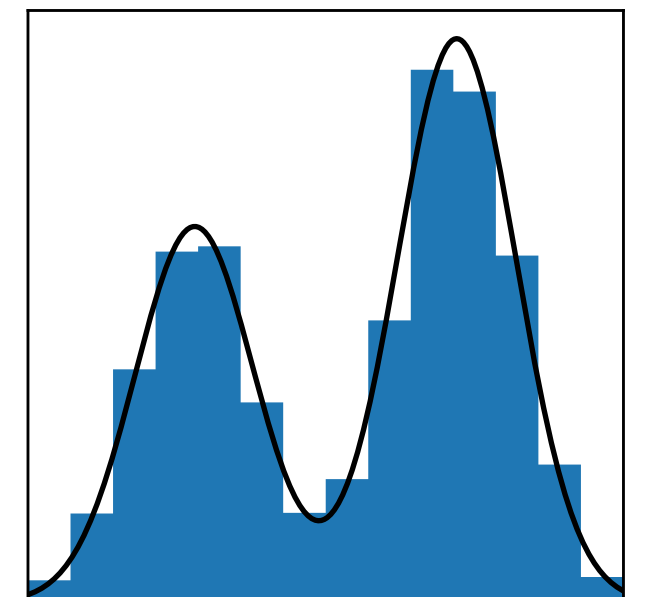
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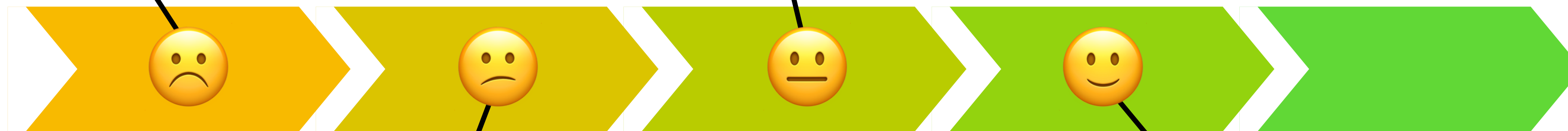
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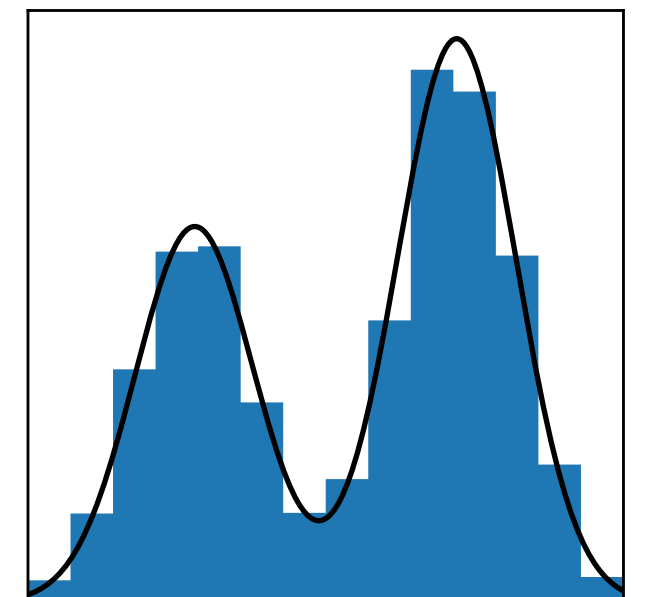


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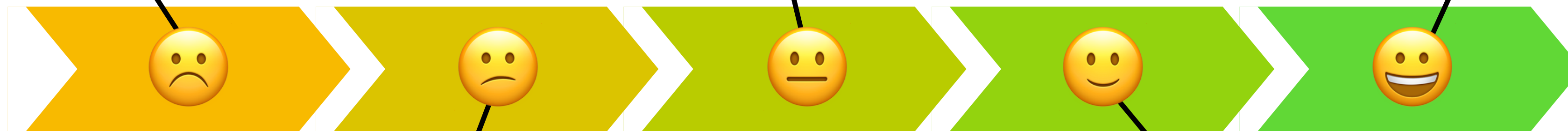
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- run maximization algorithm for each bin (L-BFGS)
- use gradient information

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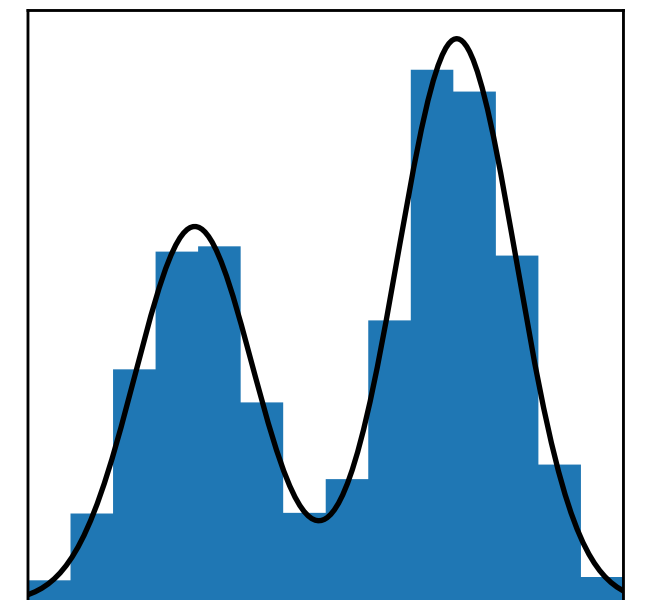


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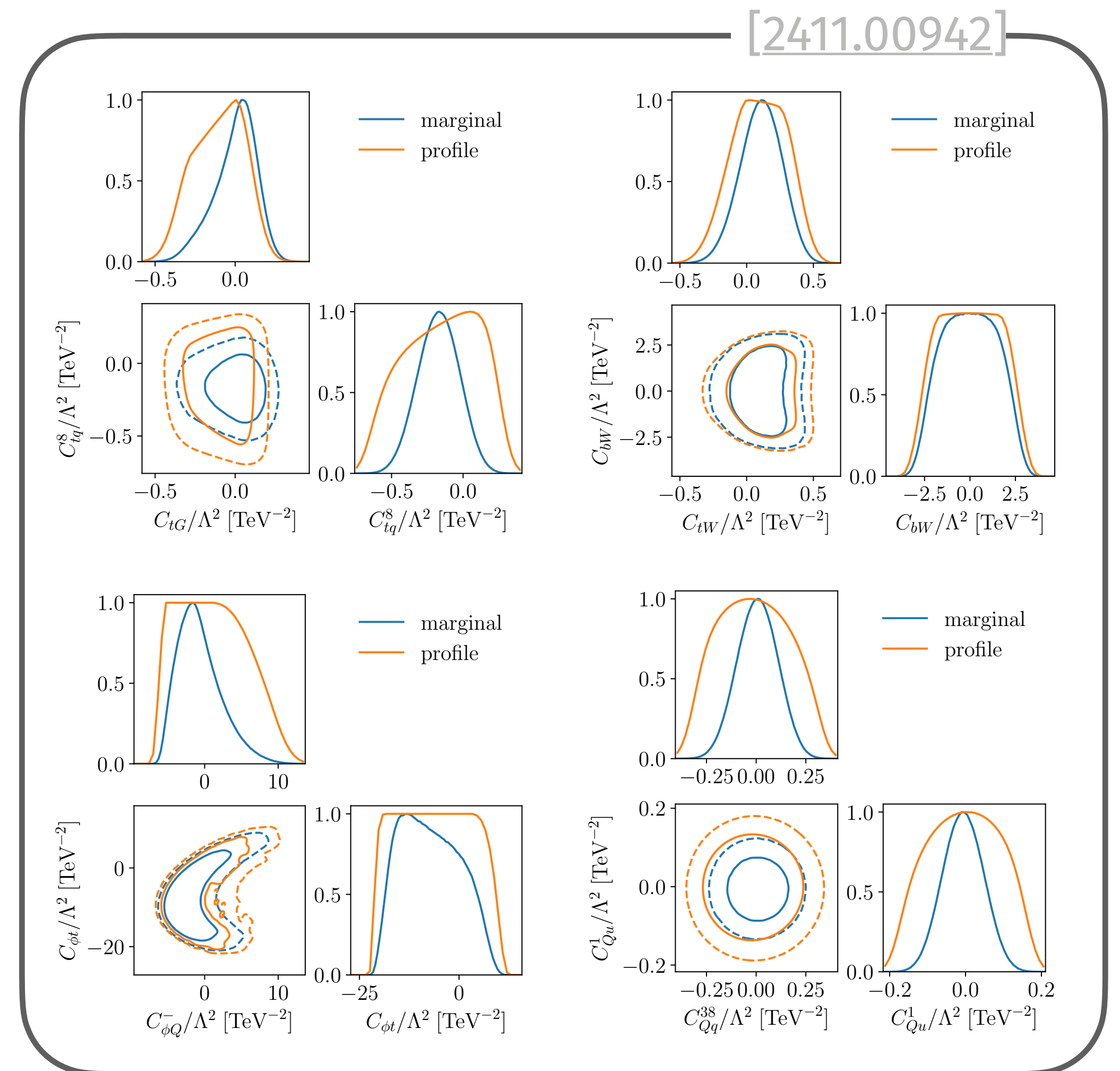
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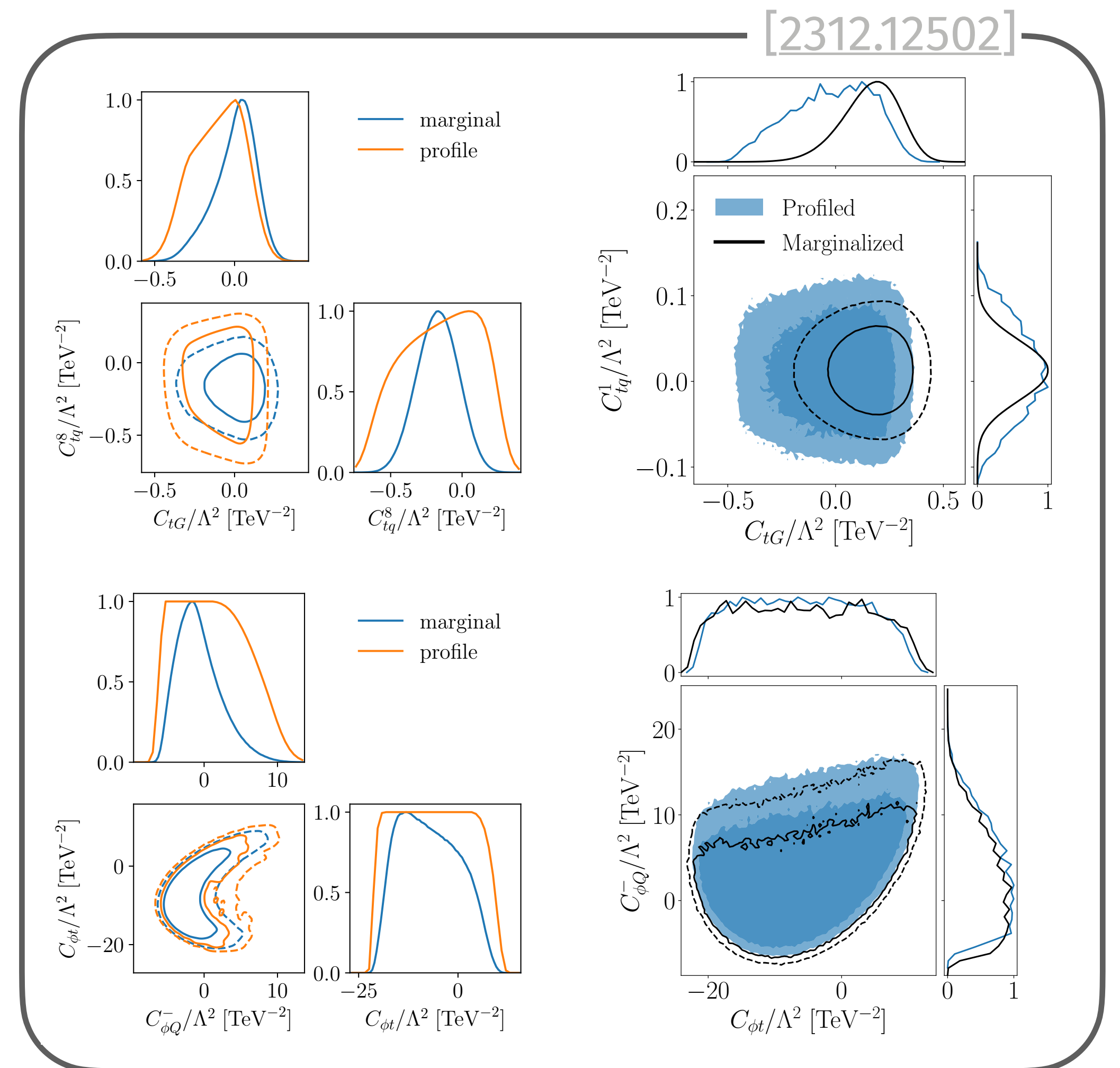
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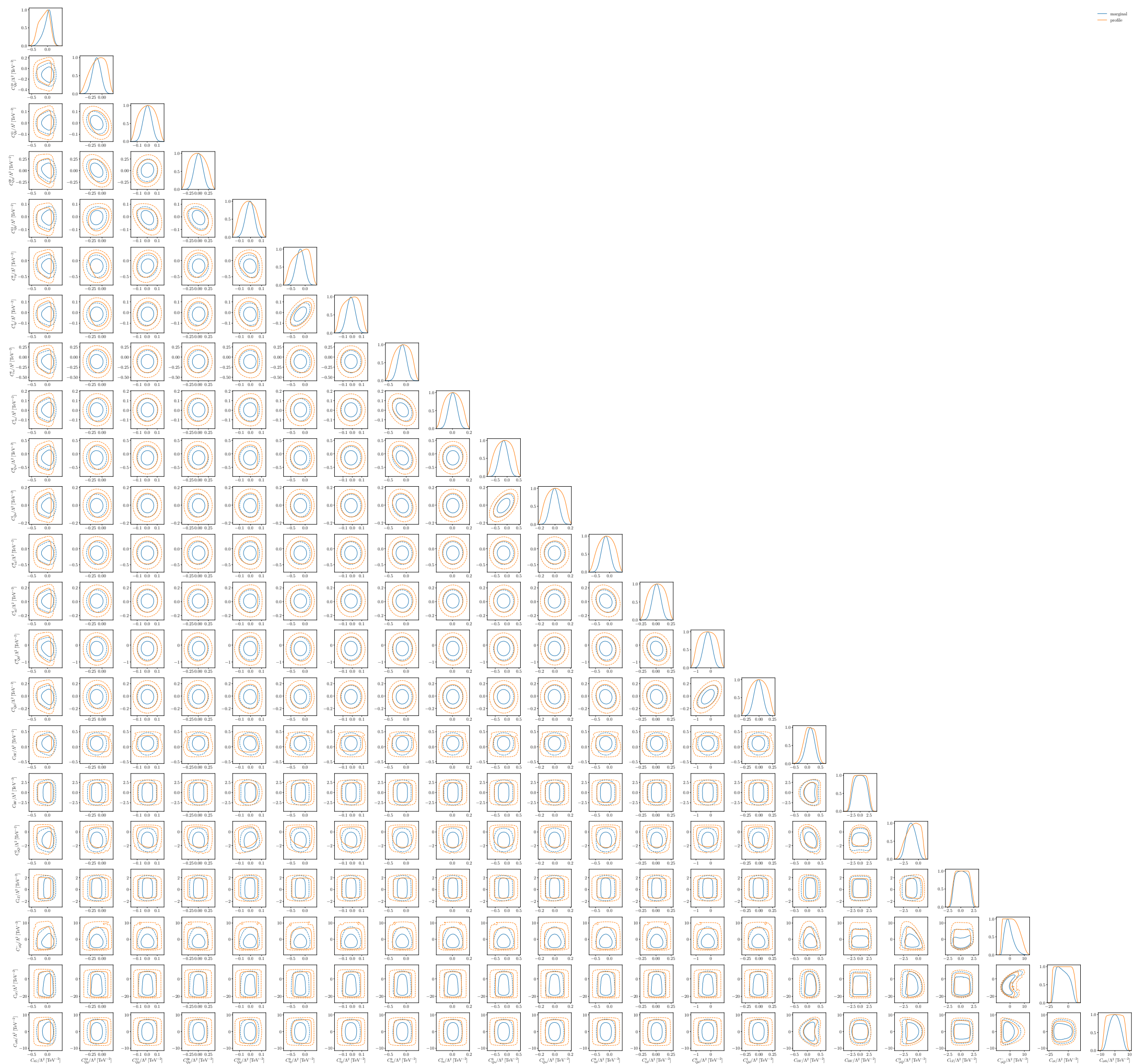
Top likelihood

- For simple likelihoods sampling on both CPU and GPU is fast
- Training + sampling done in around **a single minute**
- Most time spent on **profiling**

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	Top	Higgs-gauge	Combined
Dimensions	22	20	42
Training batches	100	2000	6000
Samples	10M	200M	100M
Effective sample size	7.1M	97M	21M
Pre-scaling time	7s	3.5min	5.3min
Pre-training time	18s	1.7min	2.5min
Training time	36s	17.3min	1.2h
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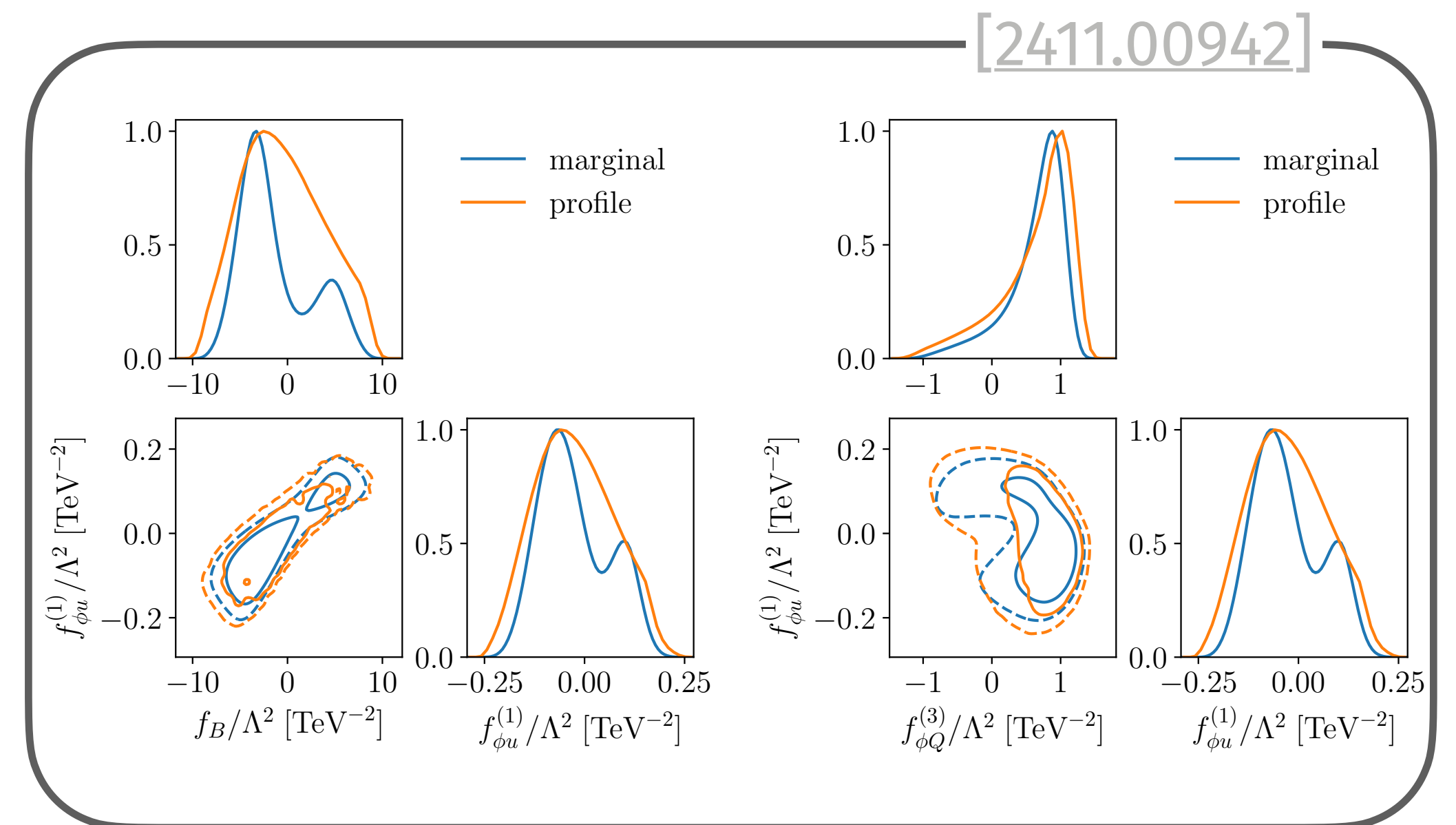
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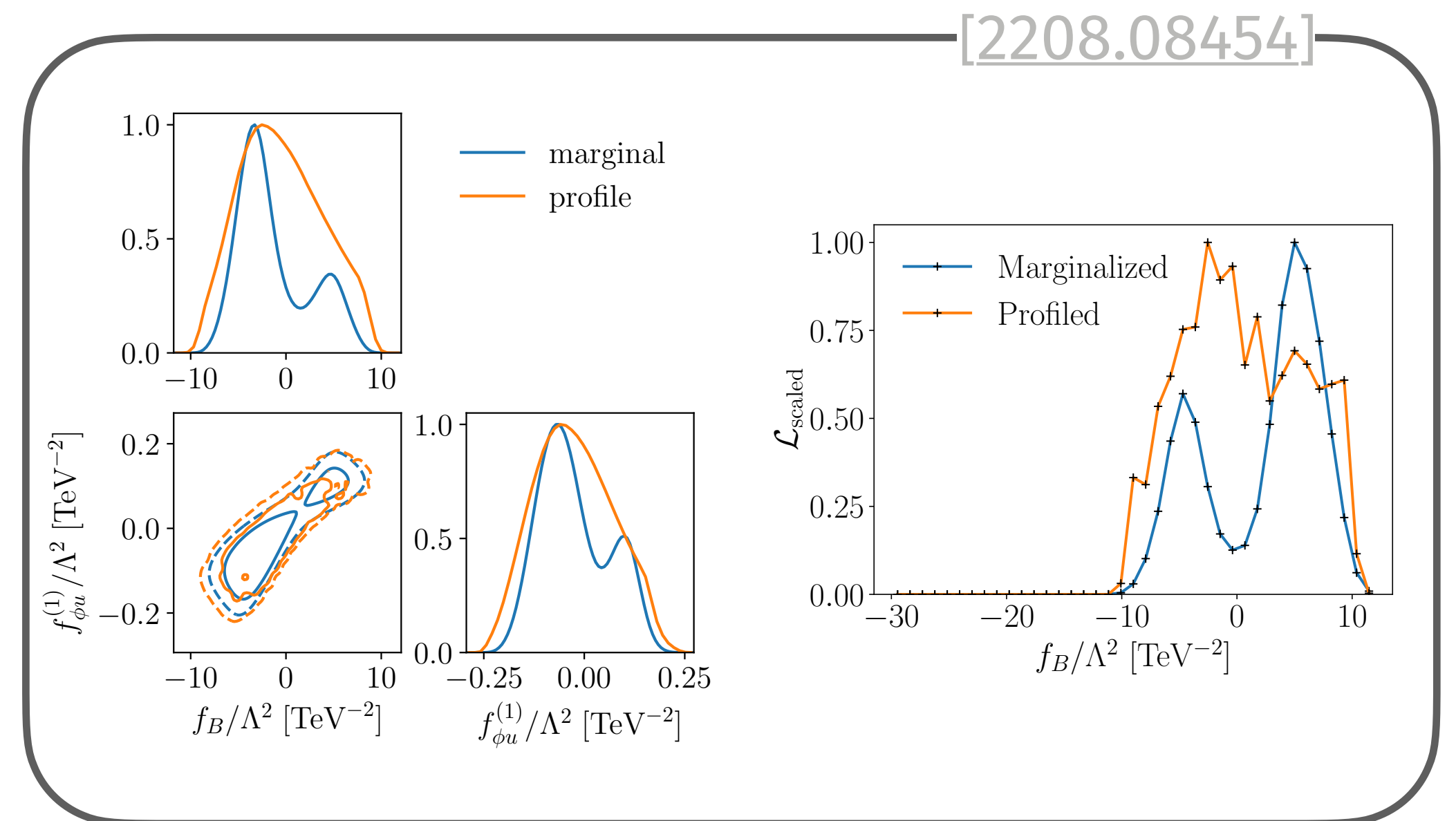
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- Slightly longer training, **significantly faster** even for complicated likelihoods

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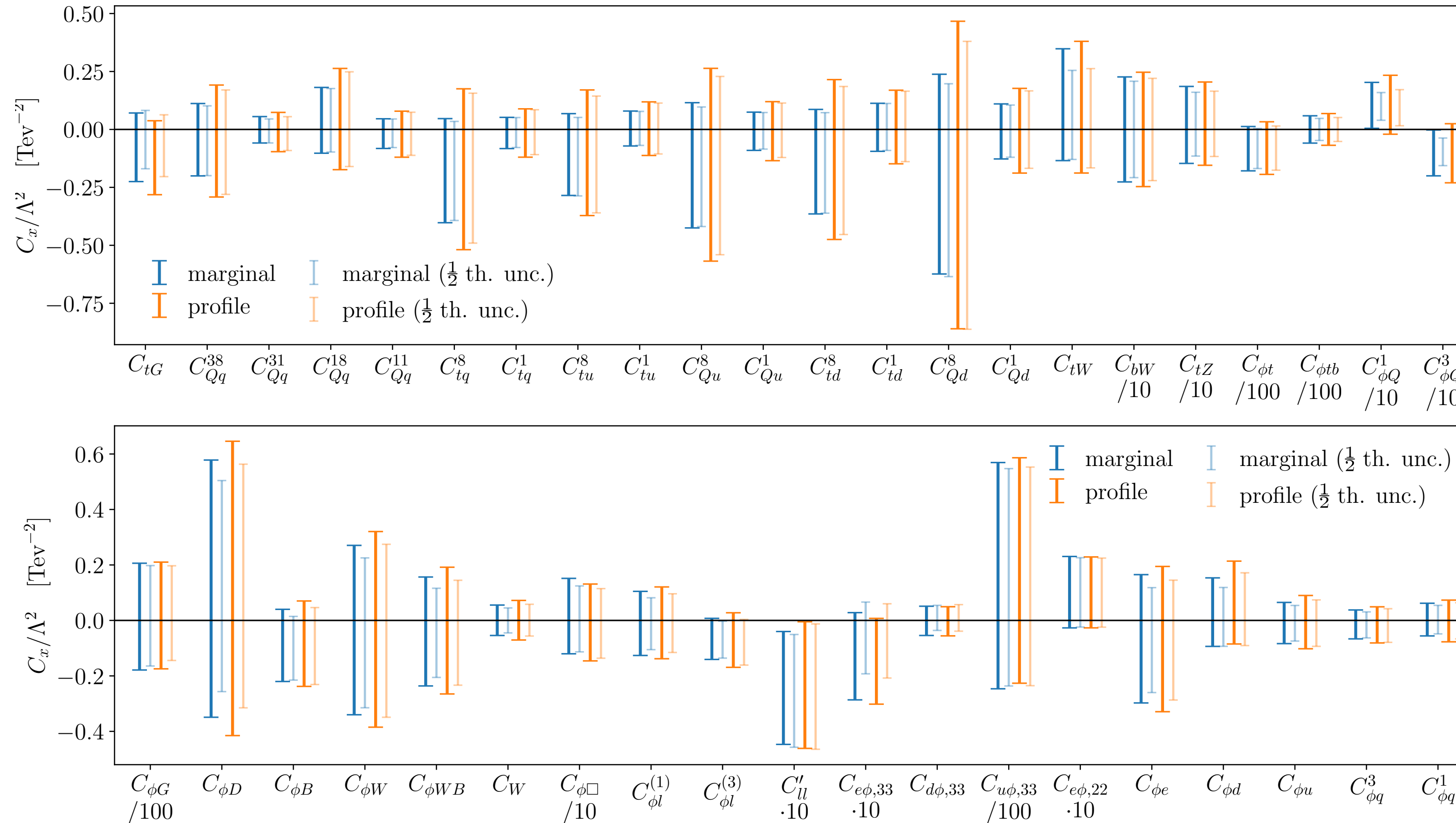
Combined likelihood

- Full combined likelihood requires serious training
- Sampling **orders of magnitude** faster
- **Reliable profiled results**, previously out of reach for CPU implementation

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Final results



- Previously: Takes (at least) a day to compute these constraints
- **Now:** Can find signs for new physics **during lunch break** (+coffee)

Summary

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- NIS: powerful tool to **accelerate sampling**
- Significantly **improves sampling speed** of complex likelihoods while simultaneously providing **smoother** results

Conclusion

- The five steps to happiness help fundamentally improve SFITTER studies
- Perfect time for further improvements

Appendix/Backup

Hyperparameters

		Top	Higgs-gauge	Combined
Architecture	Coupling blocks	RQ splines		
	Spline bins	16		
	Subnet layers	3		
	Hidden layers	64		
Pre-scaling	Number of samples	10240	40960	40960
	AIS steps	1500	5500	5500
	Target acceptance	0.33		
Pre-training	Batch size	1024		
	Epochs	15	6	6
	MCMC steps between batches	20	10	10
Training	Learning rate	0.001		
	Batch size	1024		
	Batches	100	2000	6000
	AIS steps	4	4	8
	Buffer capacity	262k		
	Ratio buffered/online steps	6		
Sampling	Batches	100	2000	1000
	Batch size	100k		
	Marginalization bins, 1D	80		
	Marginalization bins, 2D	40		
	Profiling bins, 1D	40		
	Profiling bins, 2D	30	30	20
Profiling	Batch size	100k		
	Optimizer	LBFGS		
	Optimization steps	200		

Top operator definitions

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$\mathcal{O}_{Qd}^8$	$(\bar{Q}\gamma^\mu T^A Q)(\bar{d}_i\gamma_\mu T^A d_i)$	$\mathcal{O}_{tq}^1$	$(\bar{q}_i\gamma^\mu q_i)(\bar{t}\gamma_\mu t)$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi Q}^1$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{Q}\gamma^\mu Q)$	$\ddagger \mathcal{O}_{tB}$	$(\bar{Q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} t) \tilde{\phi} B_{\mu\nu}$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi Q}^3$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I \phi)(\bar{Q}\gamma^\mu \tau^I Q)$	$\ddagger \mathcal{O}_{tW}$	$(\bar{Q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} t) \tau^I \tilde{\phi} W_{\mu\nu}^I$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi t}$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{t}\gamma^\mu t)$	$\ddagger \mathcal{O}_{bW}$	$(\bar{Q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} b) \tau^I \phi W_{\mu\nu}^I$
$\ddagger \mathcal{O}_{\phi tb}$	$(\tilde{\phi}^\dagger i D_\mu \phi)(\bar{t}\gamma^\mu b)$	$\ddagger \mathcal{O}_{tG}$	$(\bar{Q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} T^A t) \tilde{\phi} G_{\mu\nu}^A$

Higgs-gauge operator definitions (HISZ)

Operator Definition		Operator Definition	
$\mathcal{O}_{GG}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{O}_{WW}$	$\phi^\dagger \hat{W}_{\mu\nu} \hat{W}^{\mu\nu} \phi$
$\mathcal{O}_{BB}$	$\phi^\dagger \hat{B}_{\mu\nu} \hat{B}^{\mu\nu} \phi$	$\mathcal{O}_W$	$(D_\mu \phi)^\dagger \hat{W}^{\mu\nu} (D_\nu \phi)$
$\mathcal{O}_B$	$(D_\mu \phi)^\dagger \hat{B}^{\mu\nu} (D_\nu \phi)$	$\mathcal{O}_{BW}$	$\phi^\dagger \hat{B}_{\mu\nu} \hat{W}^{\mu\nu} \phi$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi 1}$	$(D_\mu \phi)^\dagger \phi \phi^\dagger (D^\mu \phi)$	$\mathcal{O}_{\phi 2}$	$\frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu (\phi^\dagger \phi) \partial_\mu (\phi^\dagger \phi)$
$\mathcal{O}_{3W}$	$\text{Tr}(\hat{W}_{\mu\nu} \hat{W}^{\nu\rho} \hat{W}_\rho^\mu)$		
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi u}^{(1)}$	$\phi^\dagger (i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu u_R)$	$\mathcal{O}_{\phi Q}^{(1)}$	$\phi^\dagger (i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{Q} \gamma^\mu Q)$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi d}^{(1)}$	$\phi^\dagger (i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{d}_R \gamma^\mu d_R)$	$\mathcal{O}_{\phi Q}^{(3)}$	$\phi^\dagger (i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^a \phi) (\bar{Q} \gamma^\mu \frac{\sigma_a}{2} Q)$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi e}^{(1)}$	$\phi^\dagger (i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{e}_R \gamma^\mu e_R)$		
$\mathcal{O}_{e\phi,22}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi \bar{L}_2 \phi e_{R,2}$	$\mathcal{O}_{e\phi,33}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi \bar{L}_3 \phi e_{R,3}$
$\mathcal{O}_{u\phi,33}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi \bar{Q}_3 \phi u_{R,3}$	$\mathcal{O}_{d\phi,33}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi \bar{Q}_3 \phi d_{R,3}$
$\mathcal{O}_{4L}$	$(\bar{L}_1 \gamma_\mu L_2) (\bar{L}_2 \gamma^\mu L_1)$		

Higgs-gauge operator definitions (Warsaw)

Operator Definition		Operator Definition	
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi G}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{O}_W$	$\epsilon^{IJK} W_{\mu}^{I\nu} W_{\nu}^{J\rho} W_{\rho}^{K\mu}$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi B}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{O}_{\phi W}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu}$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi WB}$	$\phi^\dagger \tau^I \phi W_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$		
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi\Box}$	$(\phi^\dagger \phi) \Box (\phi^\dagger \phi)$	$\mathcal{O}_{\phi D}$	$(\phi^\dagger D^\mu \phi)^* (\phi^\dagger D^\mu \phi)$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi e}$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{e}_i \gamma^\mu e_i)$	$\mathcal{O}_{\phi b}$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{b}_i \tau^I \gamma^\mu b_i)$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi d}$	$\sum_{i=1}^2 (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{d}_i \gamma^\mu d_i)$	$\mathcal{O}_{\phi u}$	$\sum_{i=1}^2 (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu u_i)$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi q}^{(1)}$	$\sum_{i=1}^2 (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu q_i)$	$\mathcal{O}_{\phi q}^{(3)}$	$\sum_{i=1}^2 (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{q}_i \tau^I \gamma^\mu q_i)$
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi l}^{(1)}$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{l} \gamma^\mu l)$	$\mathcal{O}_{\phi l}^{(3)}$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I \phi) (\bar{l} \tau^I \gamma^\mu l)$
$\mathcal{O}_{d\phi,33}$	$(\phi^\dagger \phi) (\bar{Q}_3 b \phi)$	$\mathcal{O}_{u\phi,33}$	$(\phi^\dagger \phi) (\bar{Q}_3 t \phi)$
$\mathcal{O}_{e\phi,22}$	$(\phi^\dagger \phi) (\bar{l}_2 \mu \phi)$	$\mathcal{O}_{e\phi,33}$	$(\phi^\dagger \phi) (\bar{l}_3 \tau \phi)$
$\mathcal{O}_{ll}$	$(\bar{l} \gamma_\mu l) (\bar{l} \gamma^\mu l)$		

Full top dataset

Experiment	Energy [TeV]	$\mathcal{L}$ [fb ⁻¹]	Channel	Observable	# Bins	New Likelihood	QCD k-factor
CMS [79]	8	19.7	$e\mu$	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$			[80]
ATLAS [81]	8	20.2	lj	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$			[80]
CMS [82]	13	137	lj	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$	✓		[80]
CMS [83]	13	35.9	ll	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$			[80]
ATLAS [84]	13	36.1	ll	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$	✓		[80]
ATLAS [85]	13	36.1	aj	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$	✓		[80]
ATLAS [47]	13	139	lj	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$	✓	✓	[80]
CMS [86]	13.6	1.21	ll, lj	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$	✓		[86]
CMS [87]	8	19.7	lj	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dp_T^t}$	7		[88–90]
CMS [87]	8	19.7	ll	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dp_T^t}$	5		[88–90]
ATLAS [91]	8	20.3	lj	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dm_{t\bar{t}}}$	7		[88–90]
CMS [82]	13	137	lj	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dm_{t\bar{t}}}$	15	✓	[45]
CMS [92]	13	35.9	ll	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Delta y_{t\bar{t}}}$	8		[88–90]
ATLAS [93]	13	36	lj	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dm_{t\bar{t}}}$	9	✓	[45]
ATLAS [94]	13	139	$aj, \text{high-}p_T$	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dm_{t\bar{t}}}$	13	✓	
CMS [95]	8	19.7	lj	A_C			[96]
CMS [97]	8	19.5	ll	A_C			[96]
ATLAS [98]	8	20.3	lj	A_C			[96]
ATLAS [99]	8	20.3	ll	A_C			[96]
CMS [100]	13	138	lj	A_C	✓		[96]
ATLAS [101]	13	139	lj	A_C	✓		[96]
ATLAS [48]	13	139		$\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z}$	✓	✓	[102]
CMS [103]	13	77.5		$\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z}$			[102]
CMS [104]	13	35.9		$\sigma_{t\bar{t}W}$			[102]
ATLAS [105]	13	36.1		$\sigma_{t\bar{t}W}$	✓		[102]
CMS [106]	8	19.7		$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\gamma}$	✓		
ATLAS [107]	8	20.2		$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\gamma}$	✓		

Exp.	$\sqrt{s}$ [TeV]	$\mathcal{L}$ [fb ⁻¹]	Channel	Observable	# Bins	New Likelihood	QCD k-factor
ATLAS [108]	7	4.59	$t\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{tq+\bar{t}q}$			
CMS [109]	7	1.17 (e), 1.56 (μ)	$t\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{tq+\bar{t}q}$			
ATLAS [110]	8	20.2	$t\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{tq}, \sigma_{\bar{t}q}$			
CMS [111]	8	19.7	$t\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{tq}, \sigma_{\bar{t}q}$			
ATLAS [112]	13	3.2	$t\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{tq}, \sigma_{\bar{t}q}$			[113]
CMS [114]	13	2.2	$t\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{tq}, \sigma_{\bar{t}q}$			[113]
CMS [115]	13	35.9	$t\text{-ch}$	$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d p_{T,t} }$	5	✓	
CMS [116]	7	5.1	$s\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{t\bar{b}+\bar{t}b}$			
CMS [116]	8	19.7	$s\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{t\bar{b}+\bar{t}b}$			
ATLAS [117]	8	20.3	$s\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{t\bar{b}+\bar{t}b}$			
ATLAS [49]	13	139	$s\text{-ch}$	$\sigma_{t\bar{b}+\bar{t}b}$		✓	✓
ATLAS [118]	7	2.05	tW (2l)	$\sigma_{tW+\bar{t}W}$			
CMS [119]	7	4.9	tW (2l)	$\sigma_{tW+\bar{t}W}$			
ATLAS [120]	8	20.3	tW (2l)	$\sigma_{tW+\bar{t}W}$			
ATLAS [121]	8	20.2	tW (1l)	$\sigma_{tW+\bar{t}W}$		✓	
CMS [122]	8	12.2	tW (2l)	$\sigma_{tW+\bar{t}W}$			
ATLAS [123]	13	3.2	tW (1l)	$\sigma_{tW+\bar{t}W}$			
CMS [124]	13	35.9	tW ($e\mu j$)	$\sigma_{tW+\bar{t}W}$			
CMS [125]	13	36	tW (2l)	$\sigma_{tW+\bar{t}W}$		✓	
ATLAS [126]	13	36.1	tZ	σ_{tZq}			
ATLAS [127]	7	1.04		F_0, F_L			
CMS [128]	7	5		F_0, F_L			
ATLAS [129]	8	20.2		F_0, F_L			
CMS [130]	8	19.8		F_0, F_L			
ATLAS [131]	13	139		F_0, F_L		✓	

SFitter - Likelihood

Global Likelihood

$$L_{\text{excl,full}} = \prod_c \text{Pois}(d_c | p_c(C, \theta, b)) \text{Pois}(b_{CR_c} | b_c k_c) \prod_i \mathcal{C}_i(\theta_{i,c}, \sigma_{i,c})$$

Correlations

$$C_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{\text{syst}} \rho_{ij} \sigma_{i,\text{syst}} \sigma_{j,\text{syst}}}{\sigma_{i,\text{exp}} \sigma_{j,\text{exp}}} \quad \text{with} \quad \sigma_{i,\text{exp}}^2 = \sum_{\text{syst}} \sigma_{i,\text{syst}}^2 + \sum_{\text{pois}} \sigma_{i,\text{pois}}^2$$

➔ **Assumption:** Fully correlated systematics
between measurements

Systematic uncertainties

Beam
Background (Separate for each channel)
ETmis
Jets
Leptons
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Luminosity
Pileup
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Tune
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tTagging
tauTagging

SFitter - Likelihood

Global Likelihood

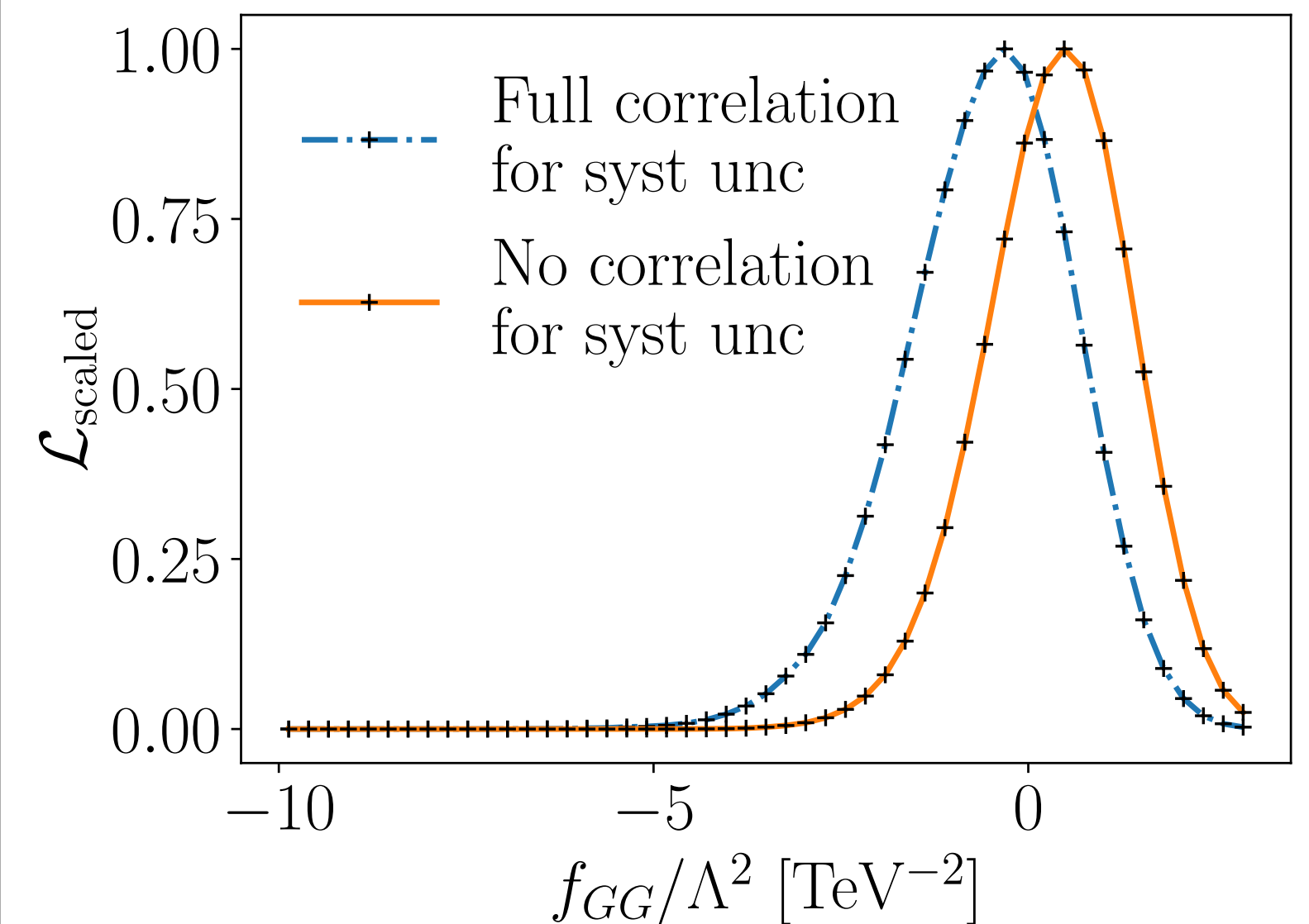
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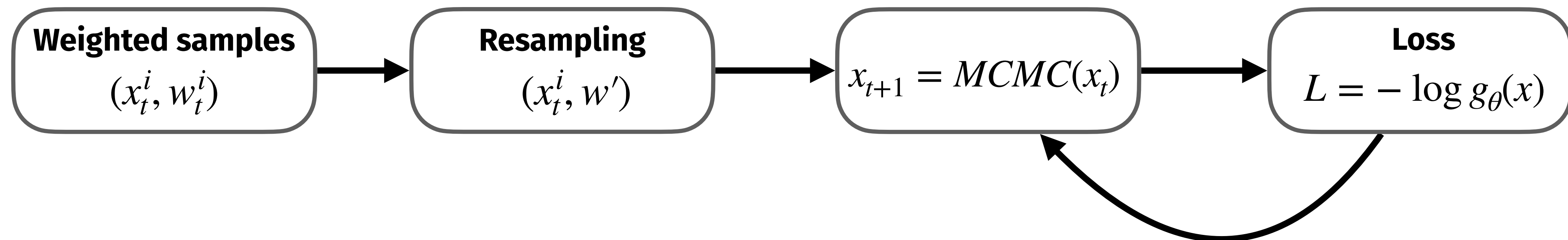
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Pre-training

- Pre-train on few samples using log-likelihood loss
- Reuse pre-scaling samples



- Find a good **starting point** for the training