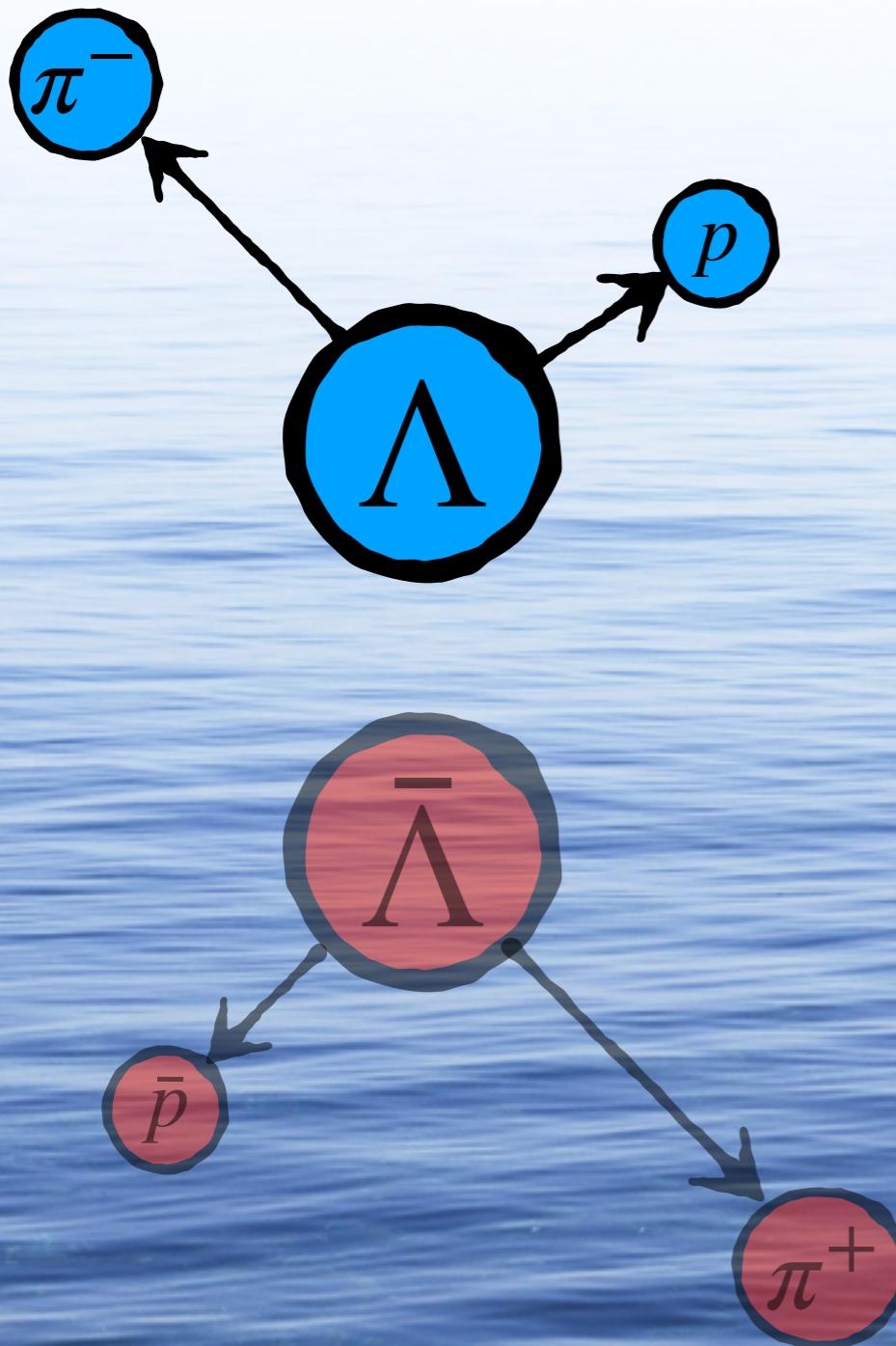


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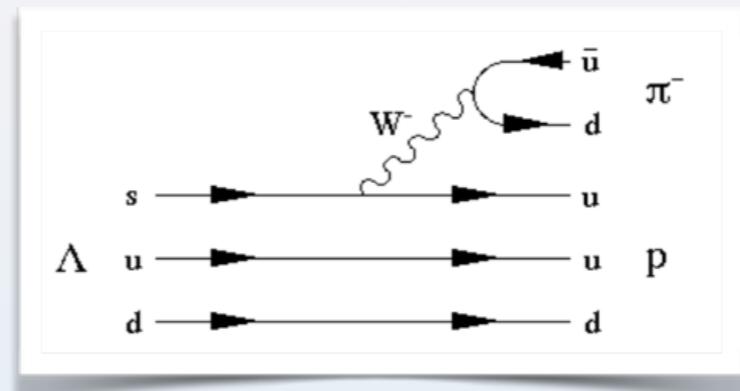
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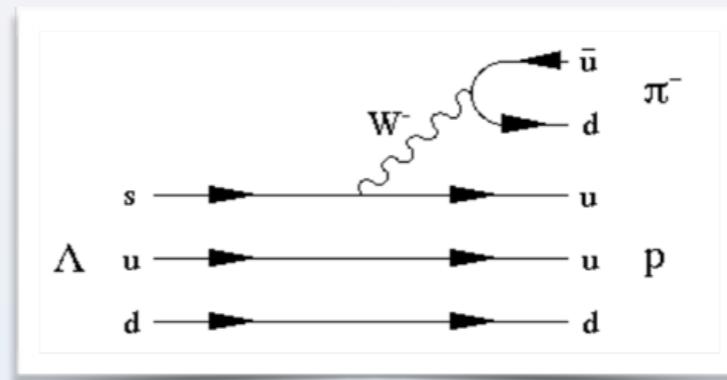
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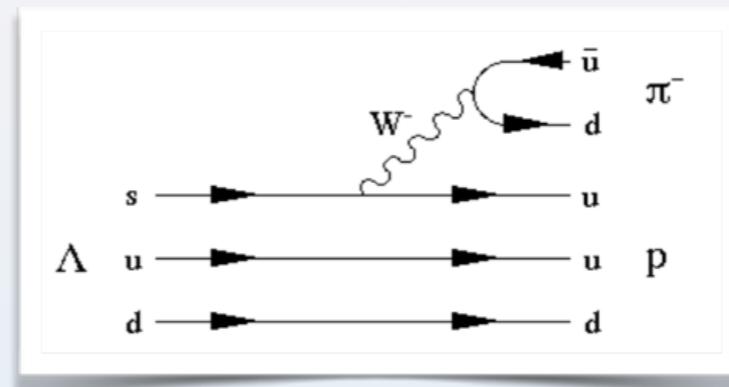
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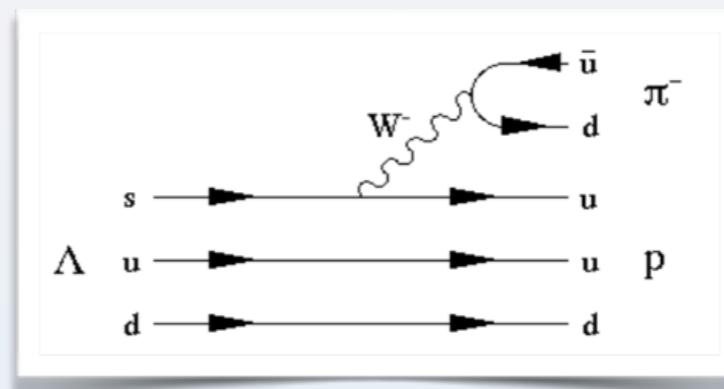
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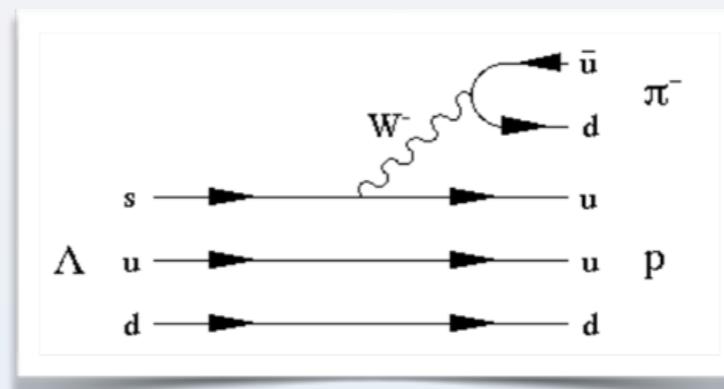
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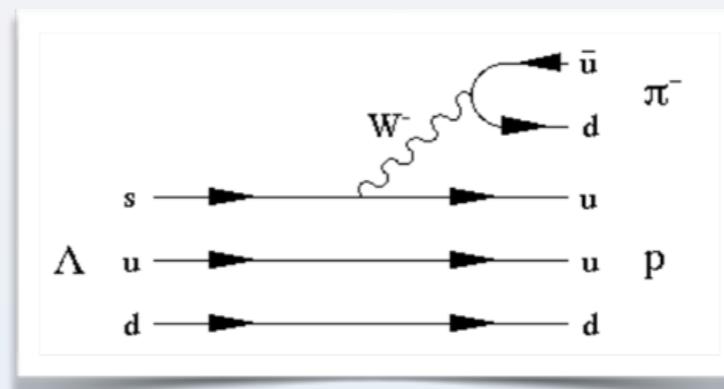
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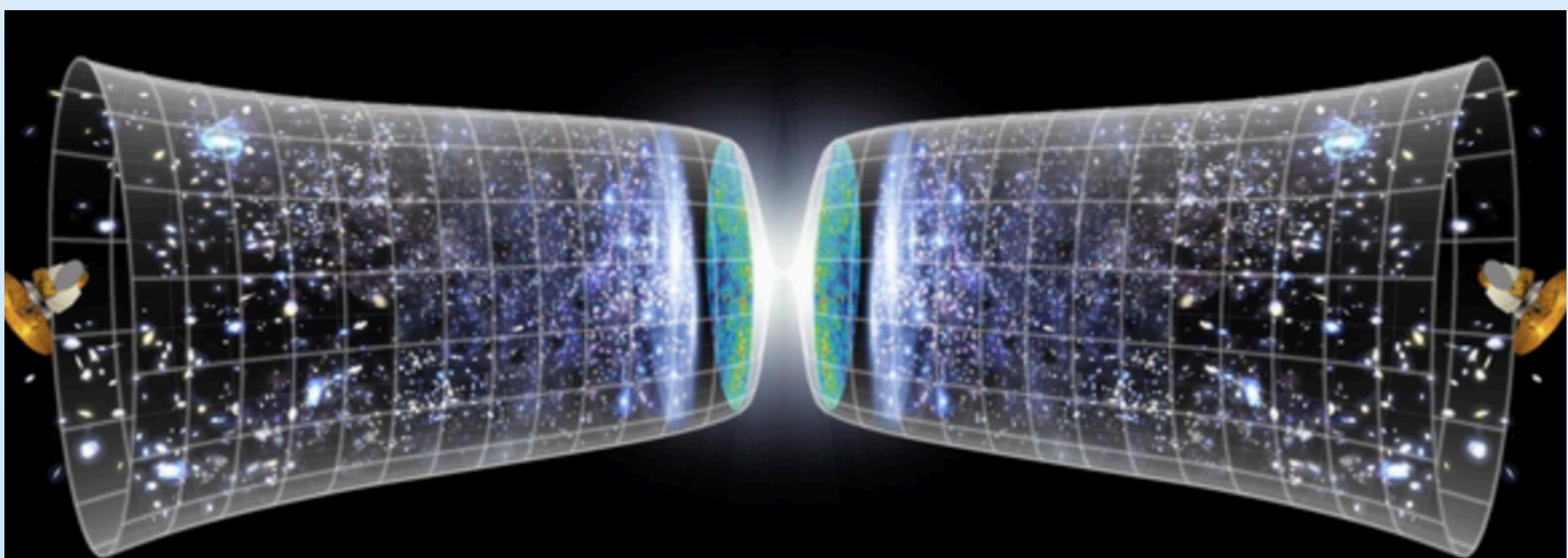


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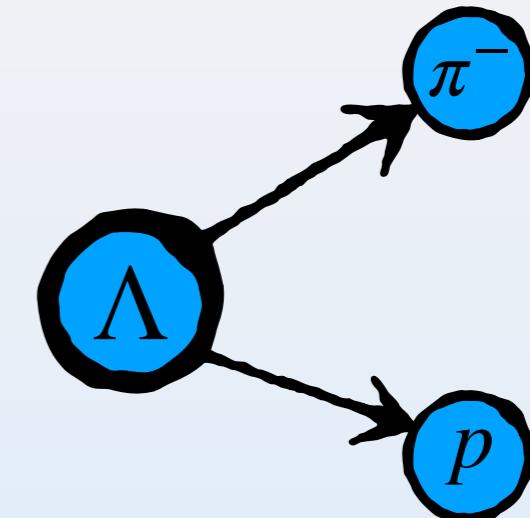
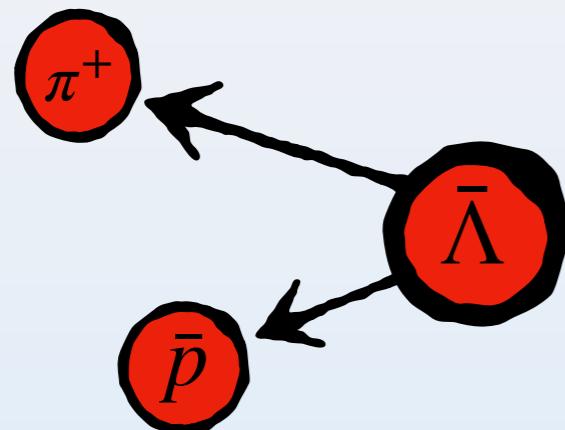


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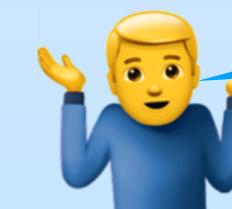
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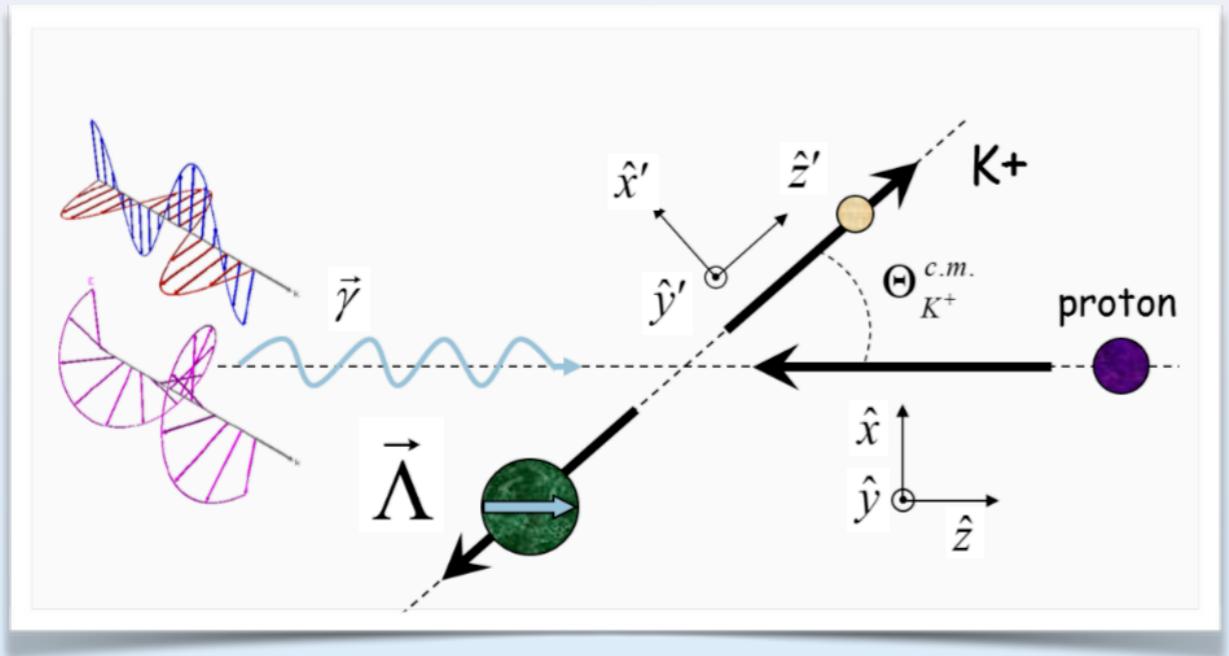


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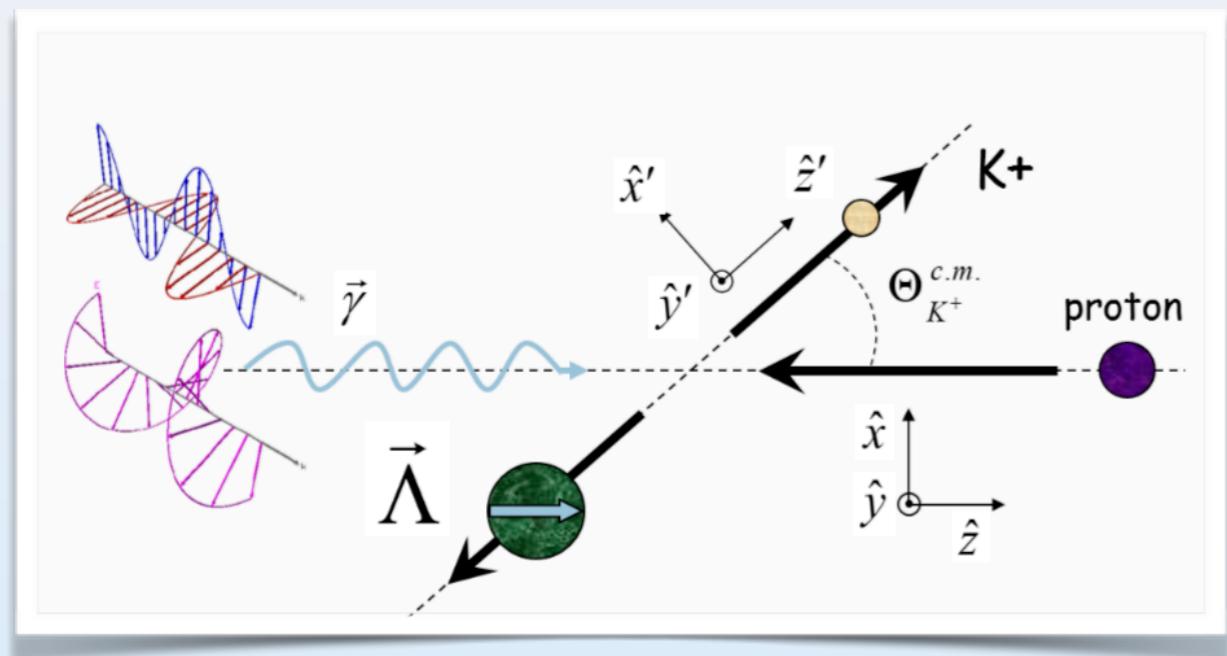
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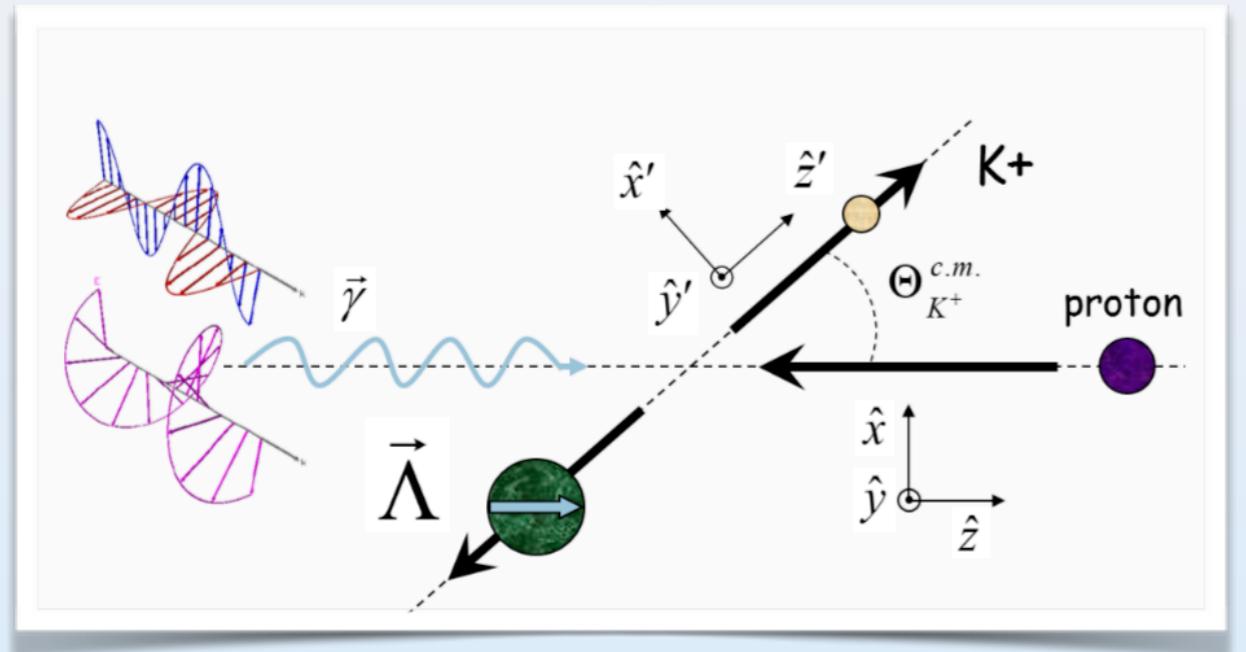
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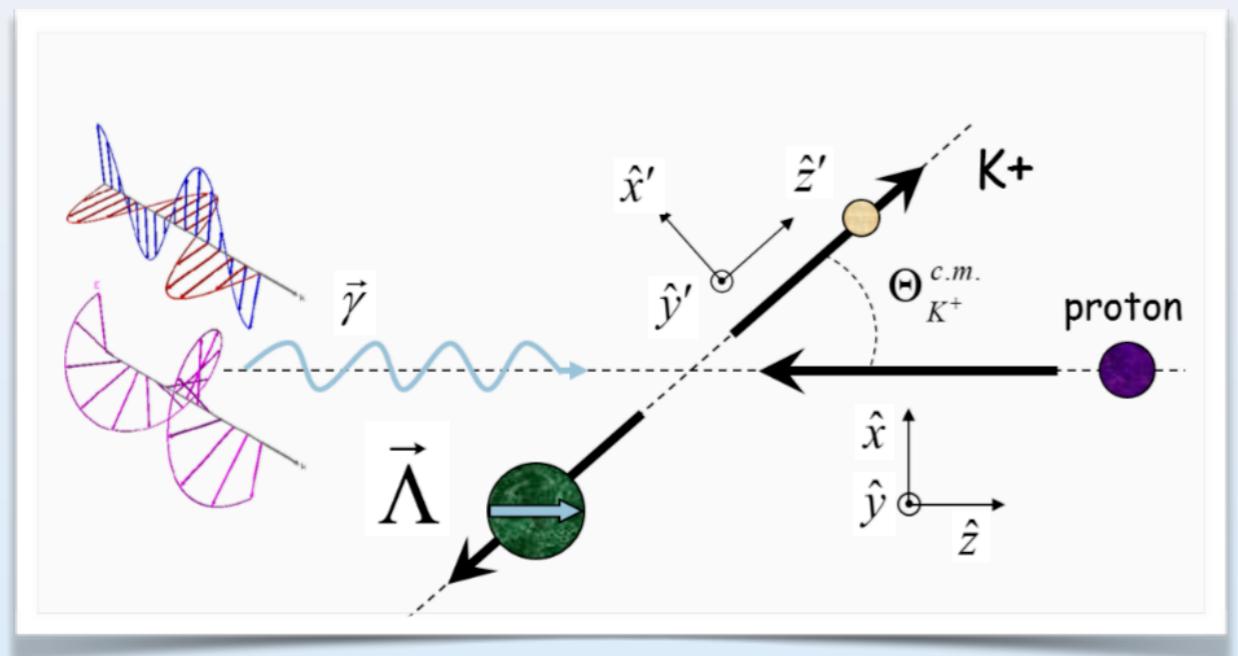
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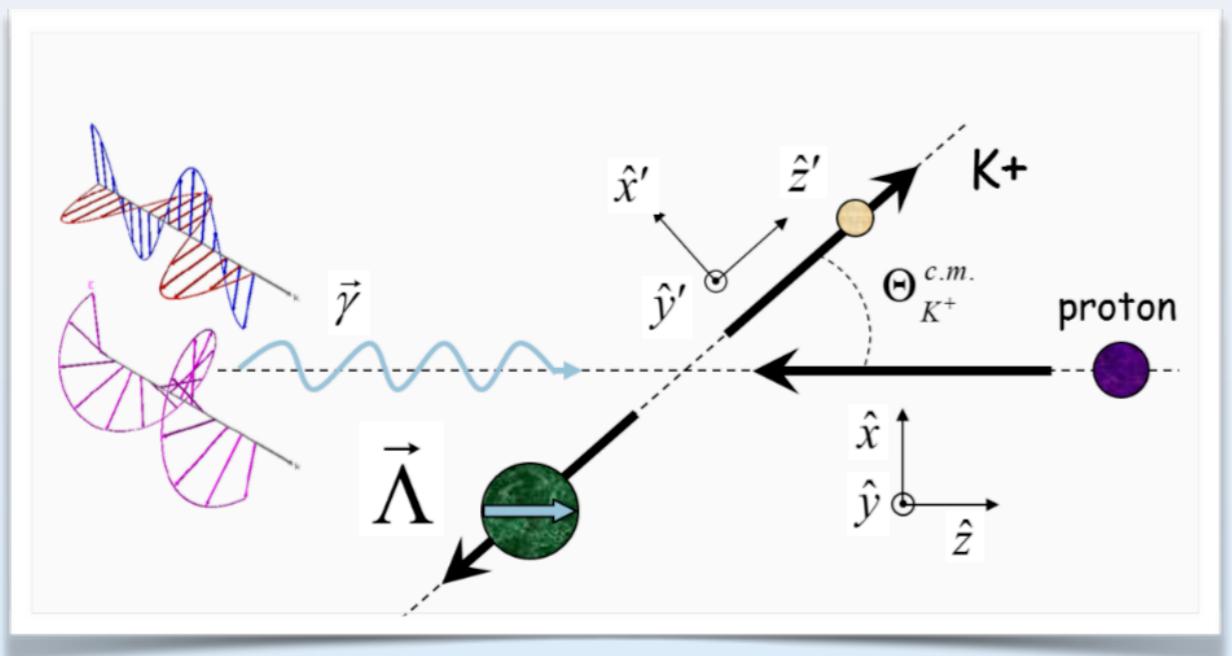
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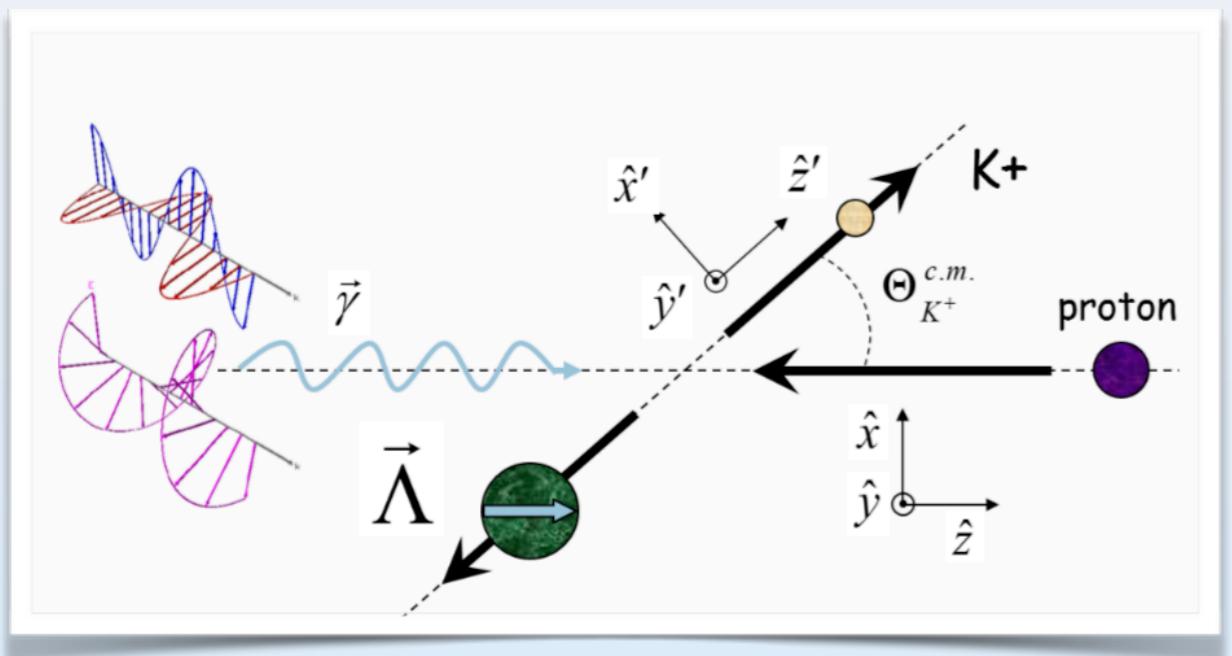
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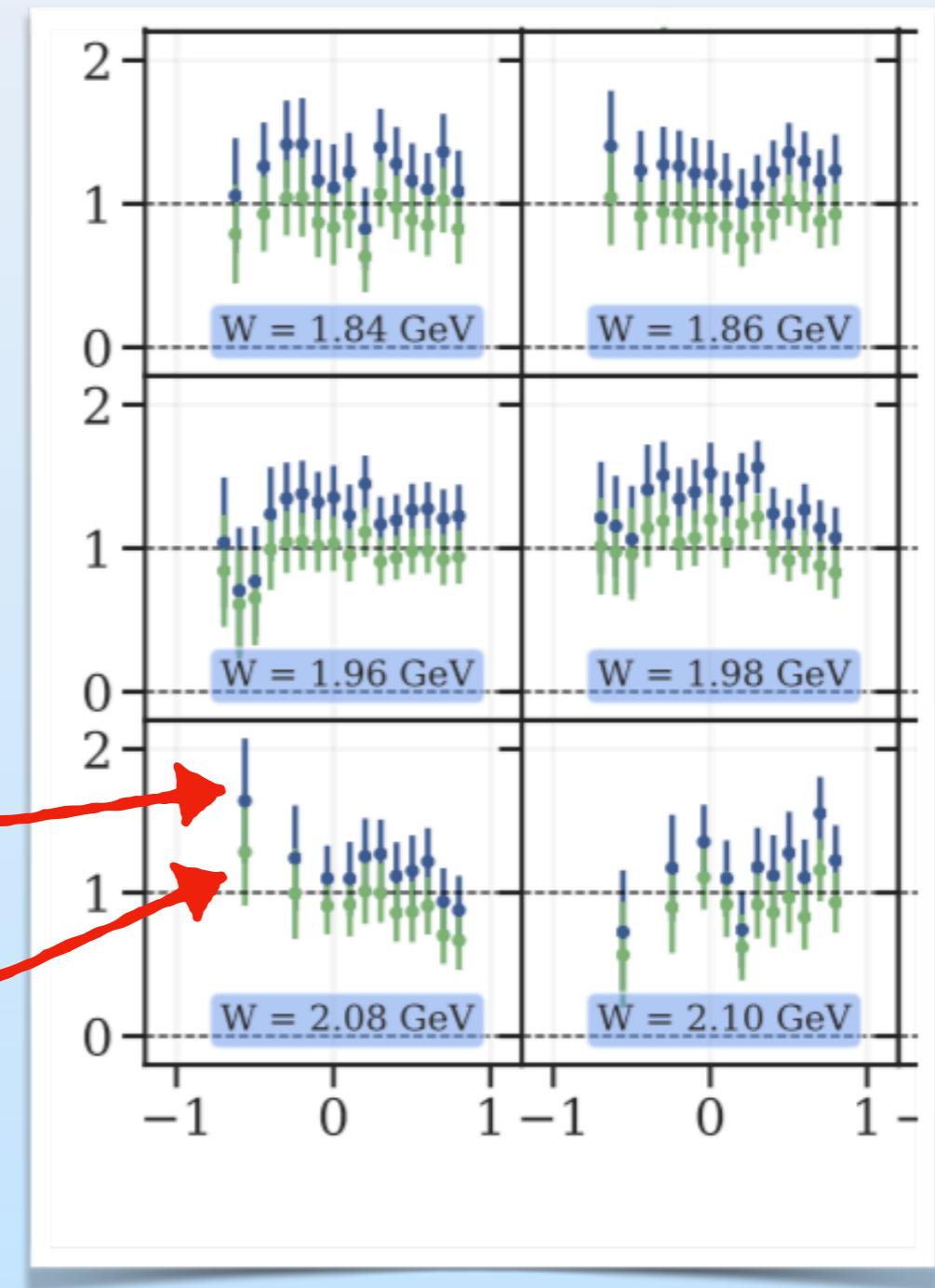
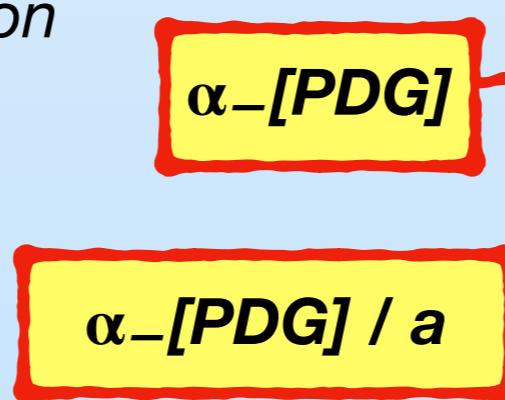
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d'Agostini (1994)

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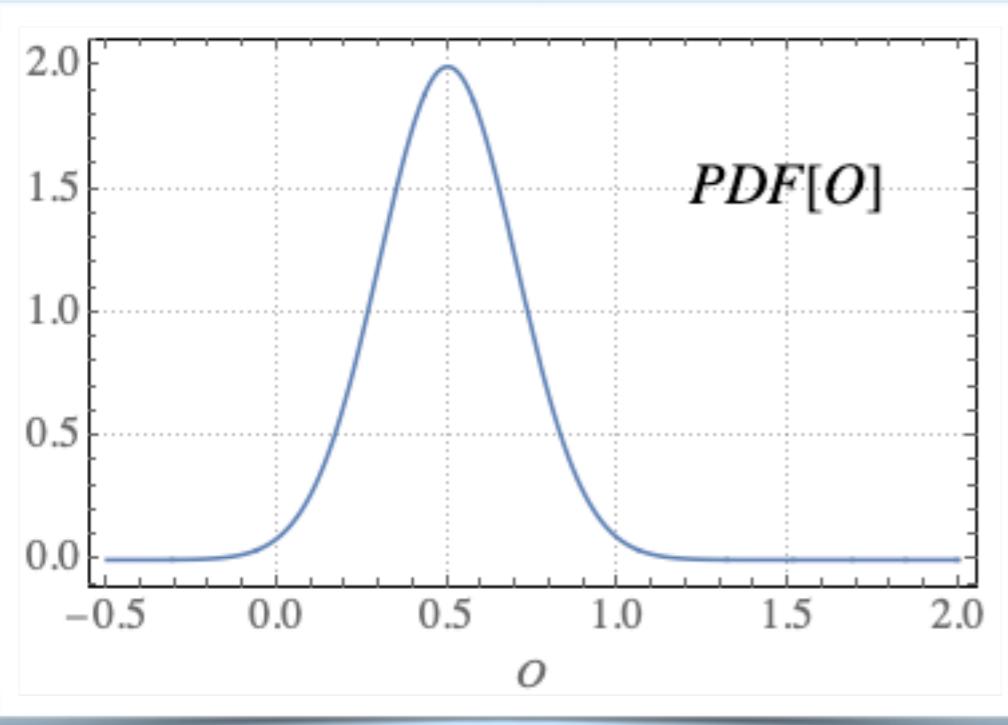
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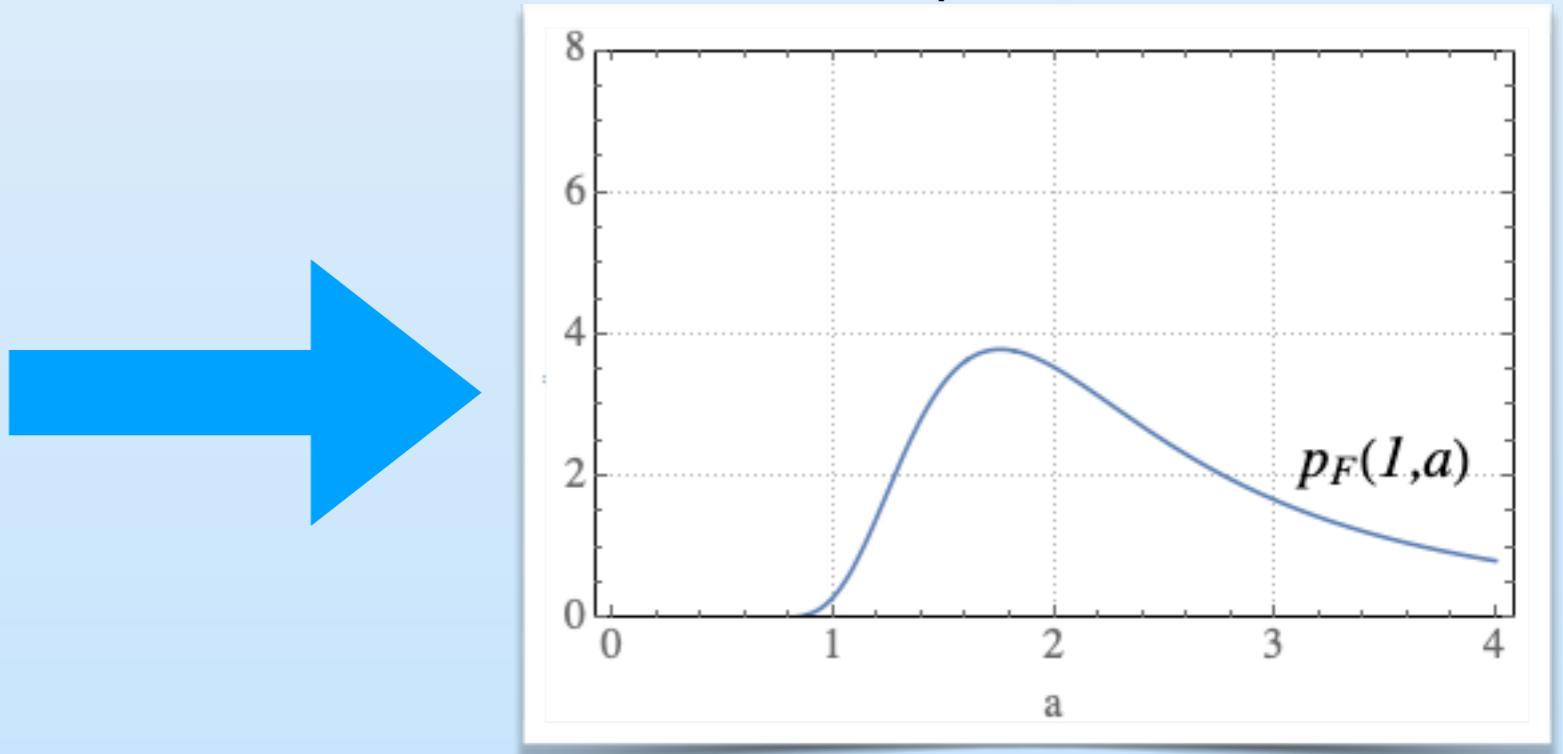
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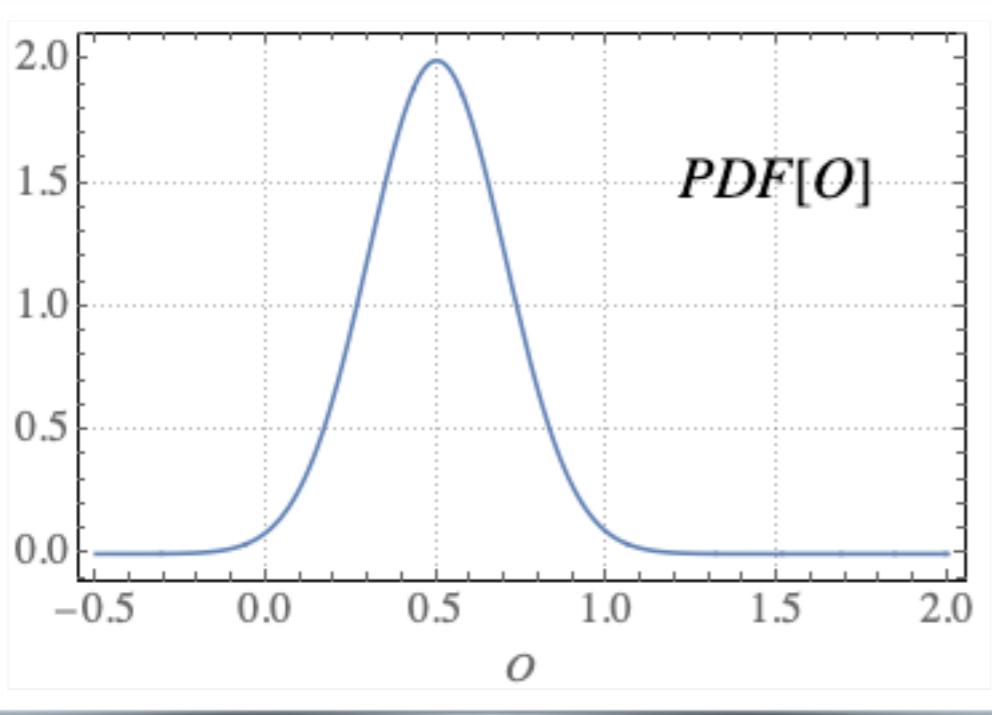
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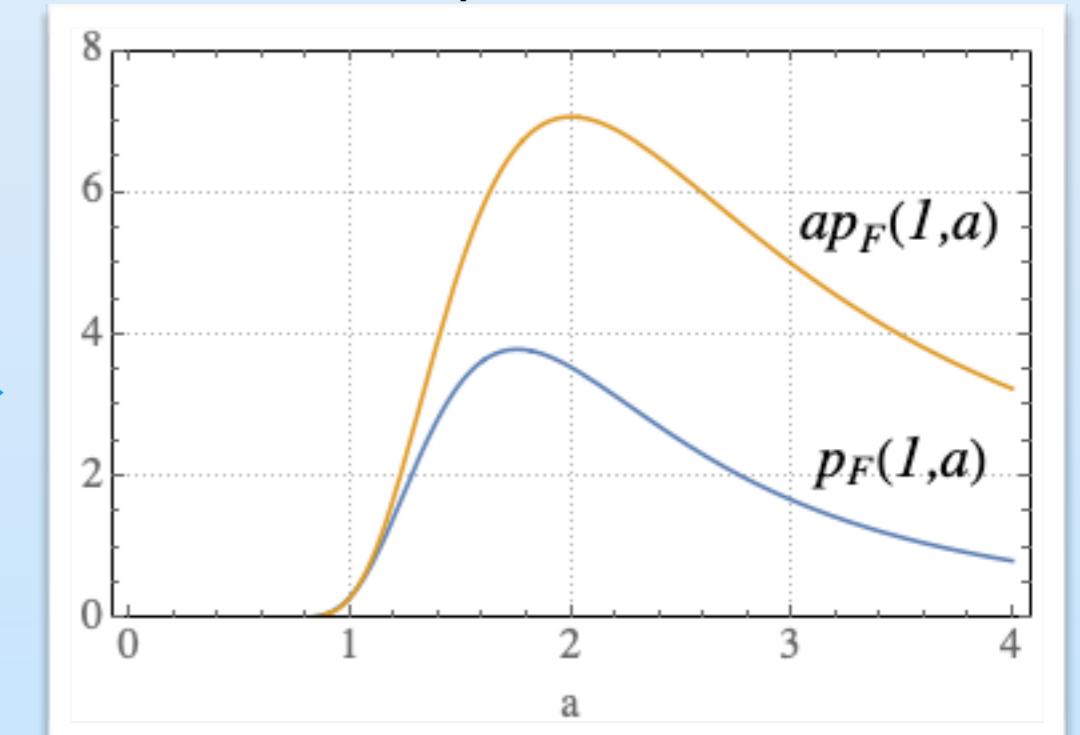
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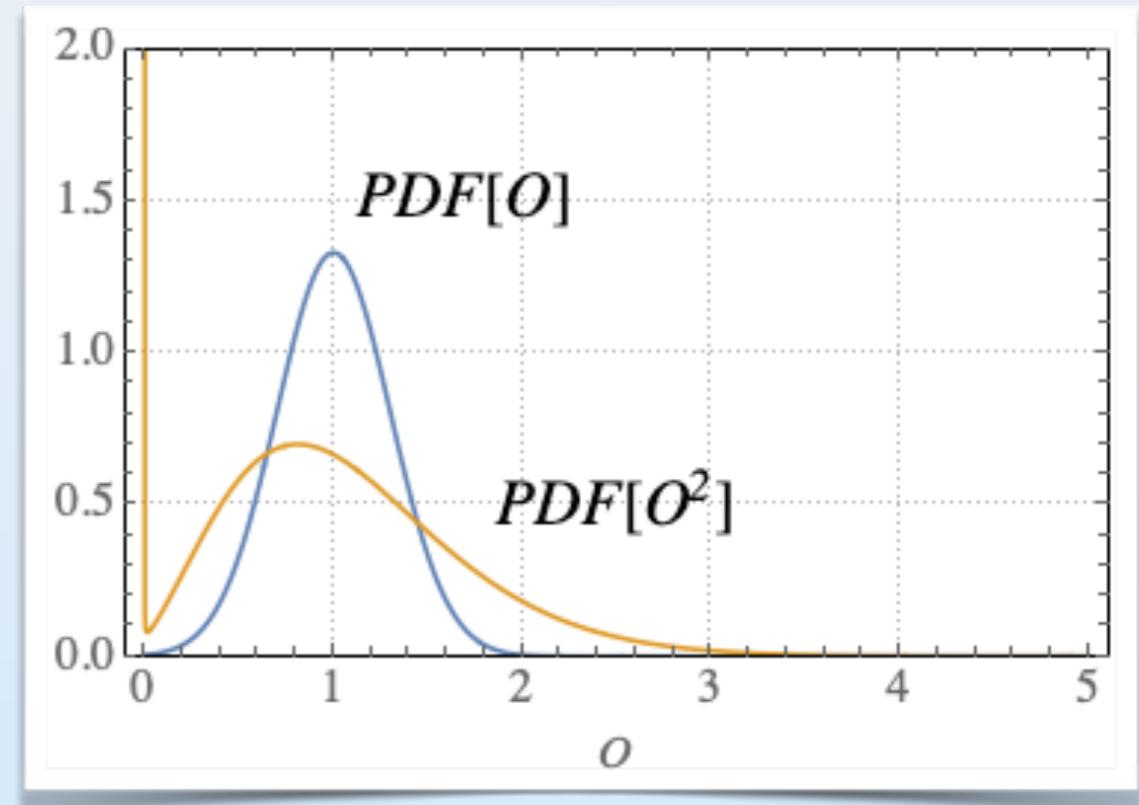
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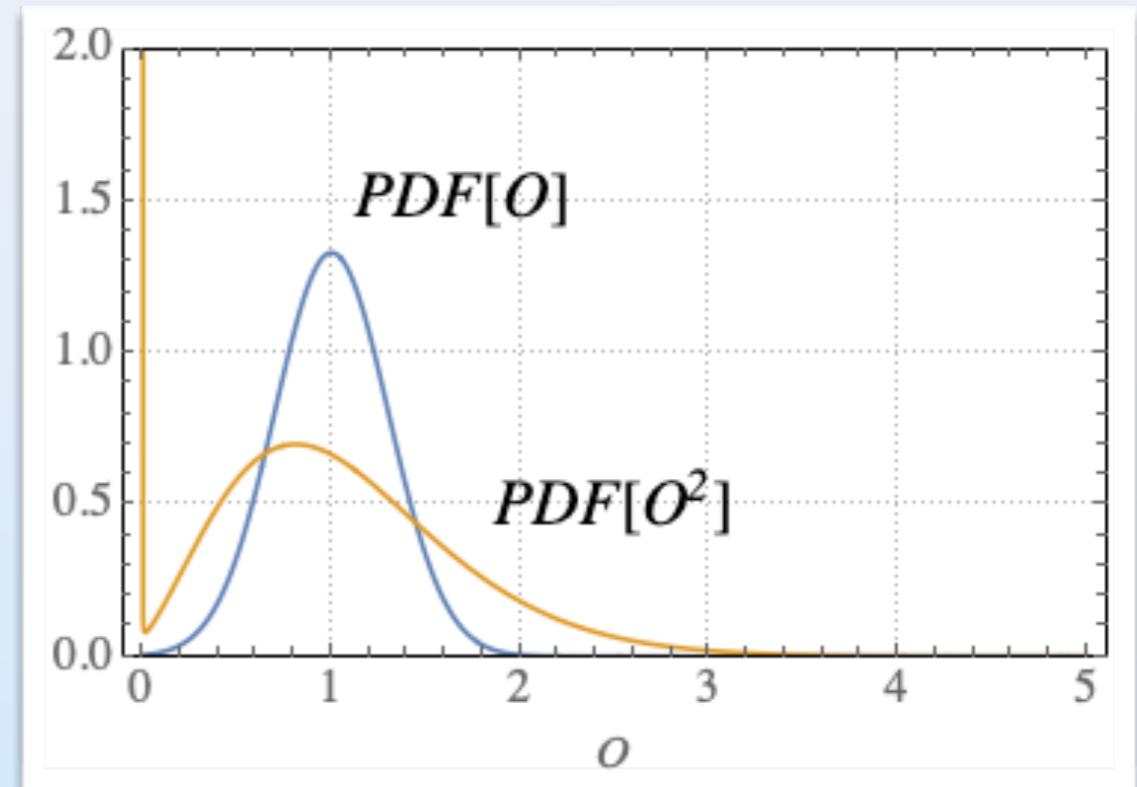
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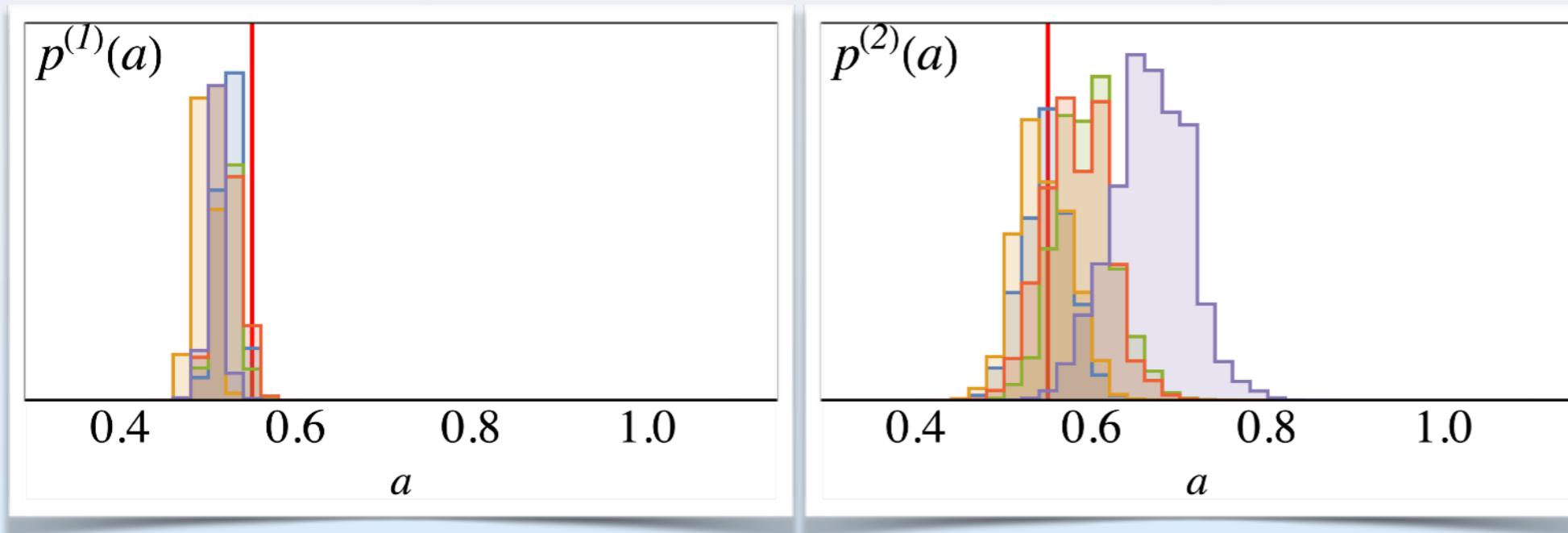
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- test various forms ➤ systematics

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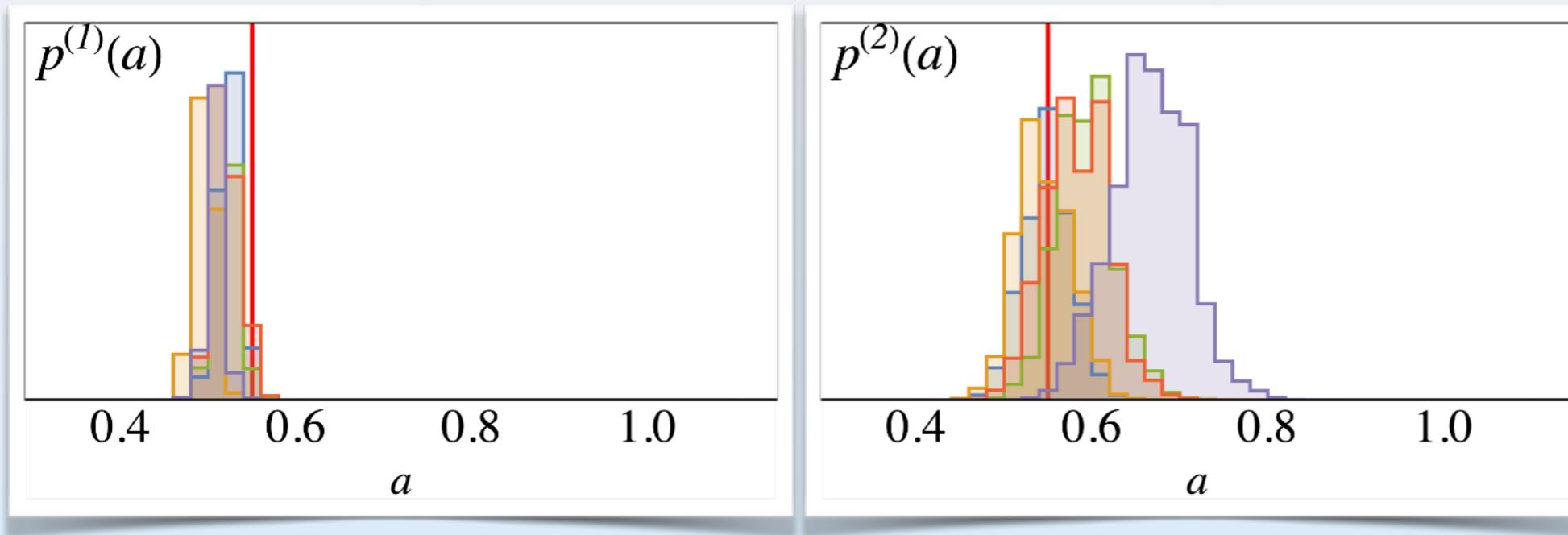


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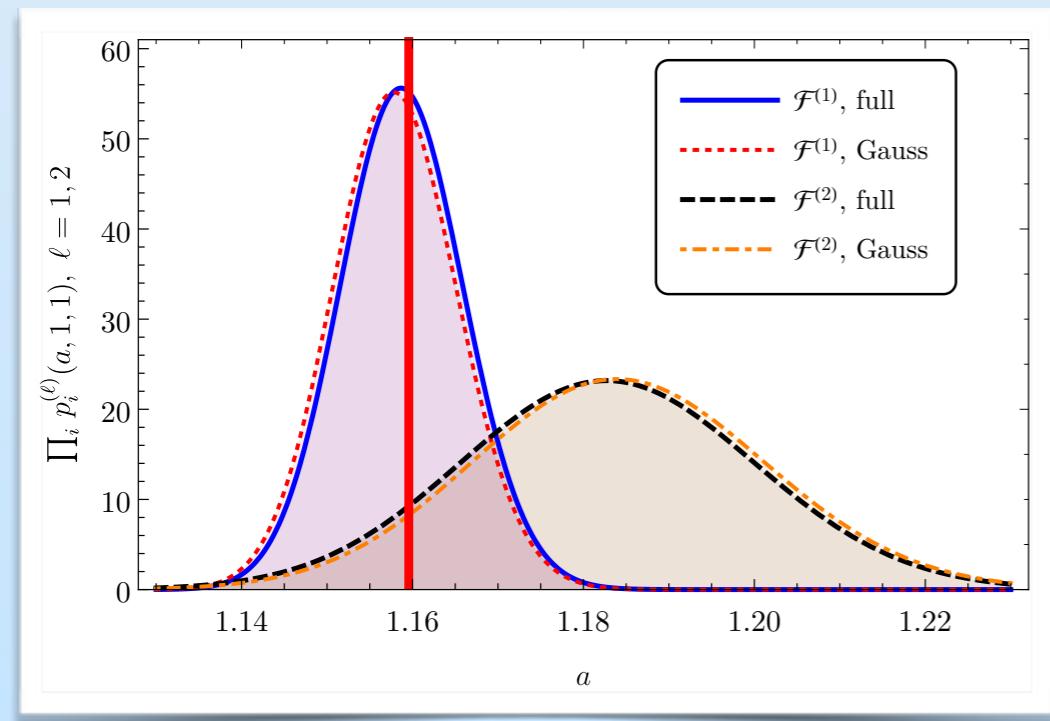
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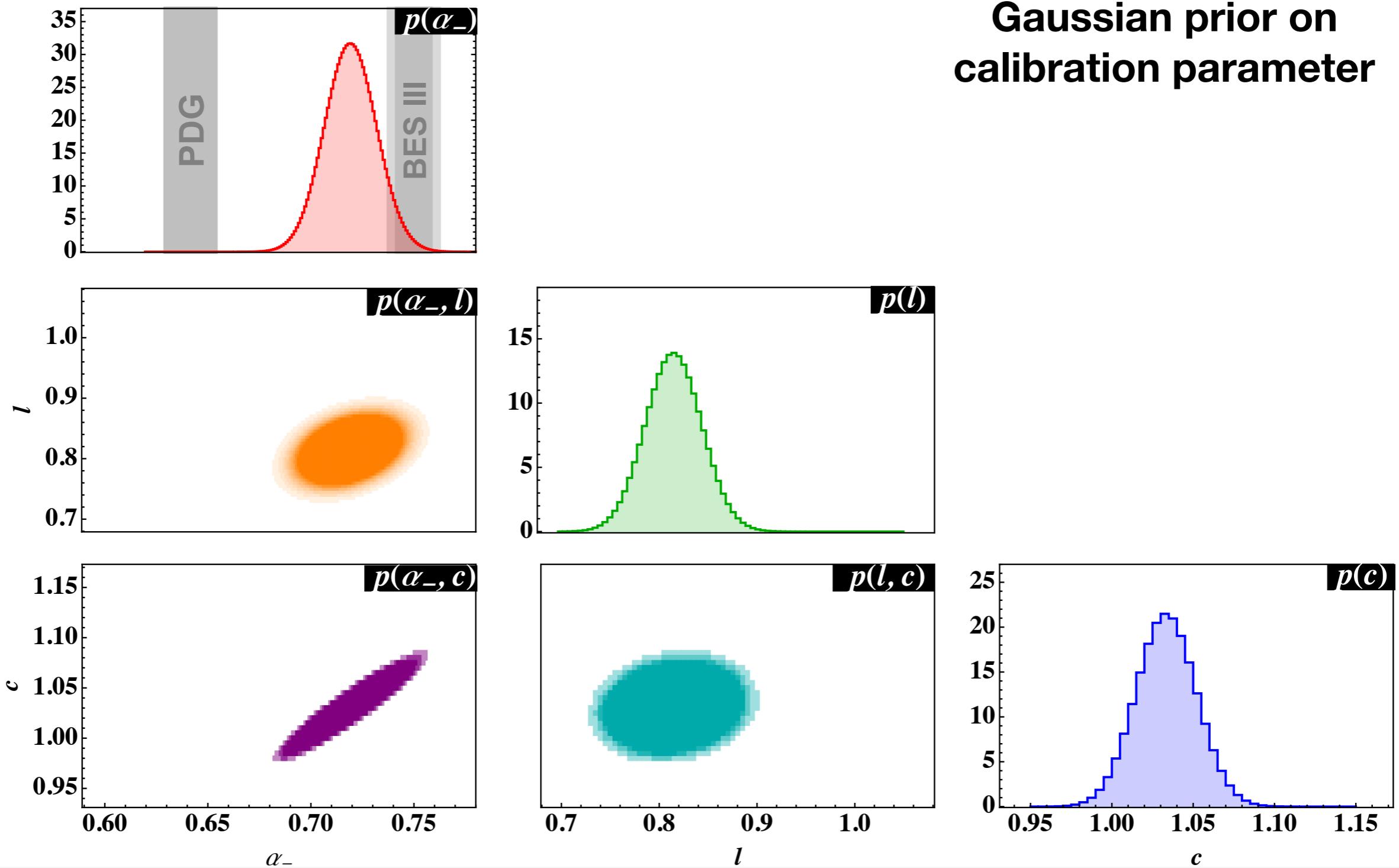
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Rönchen et al 2014

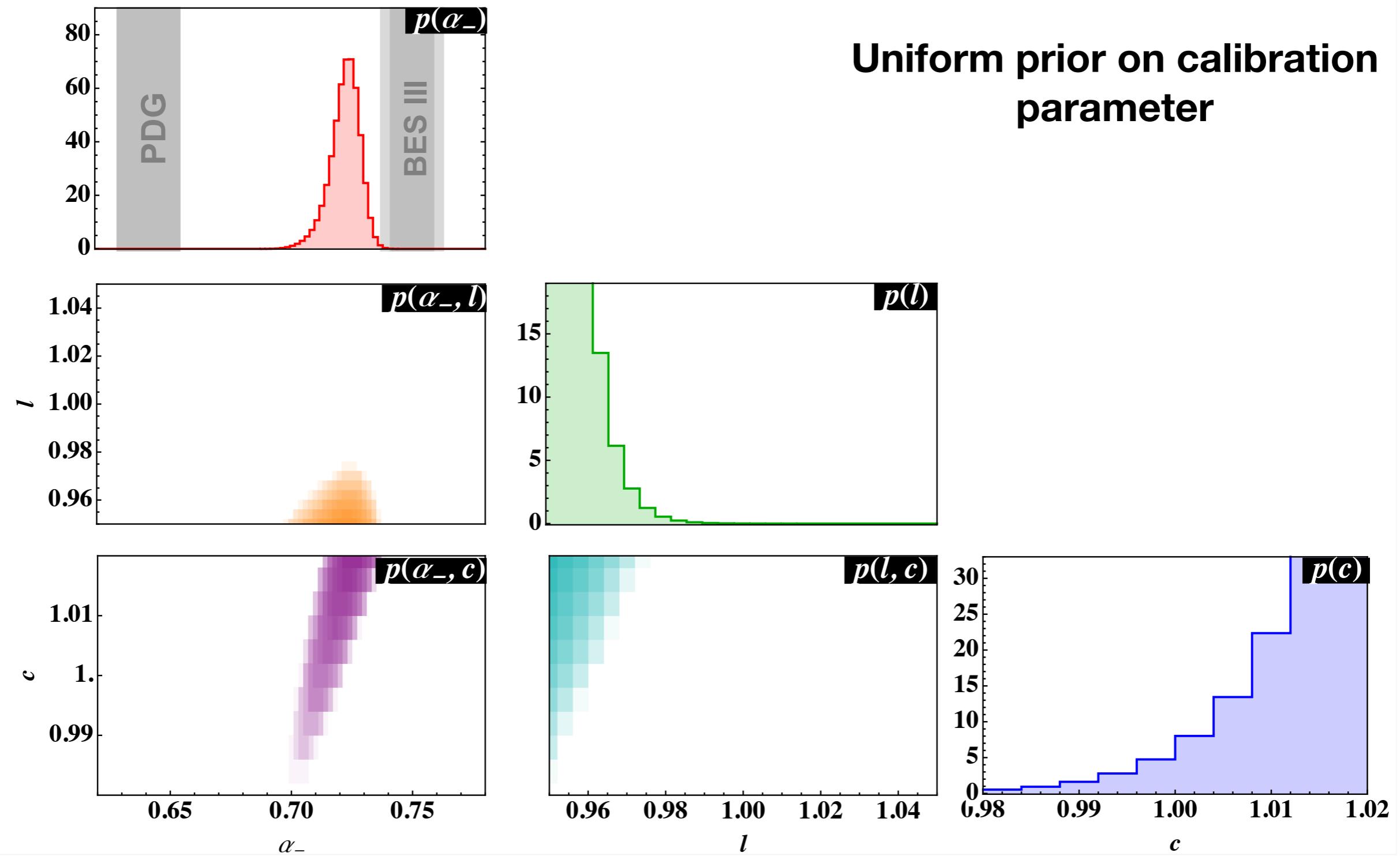
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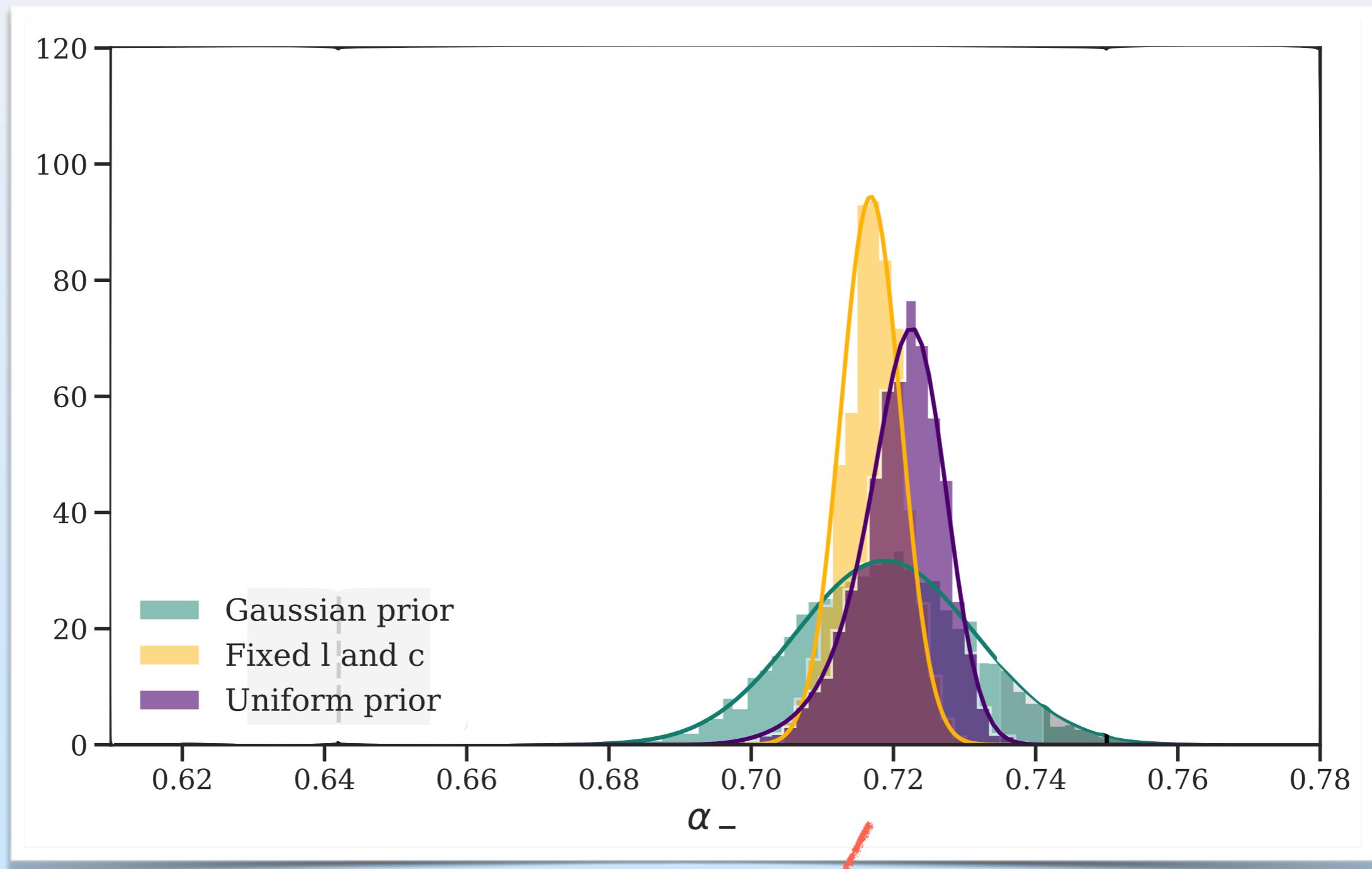
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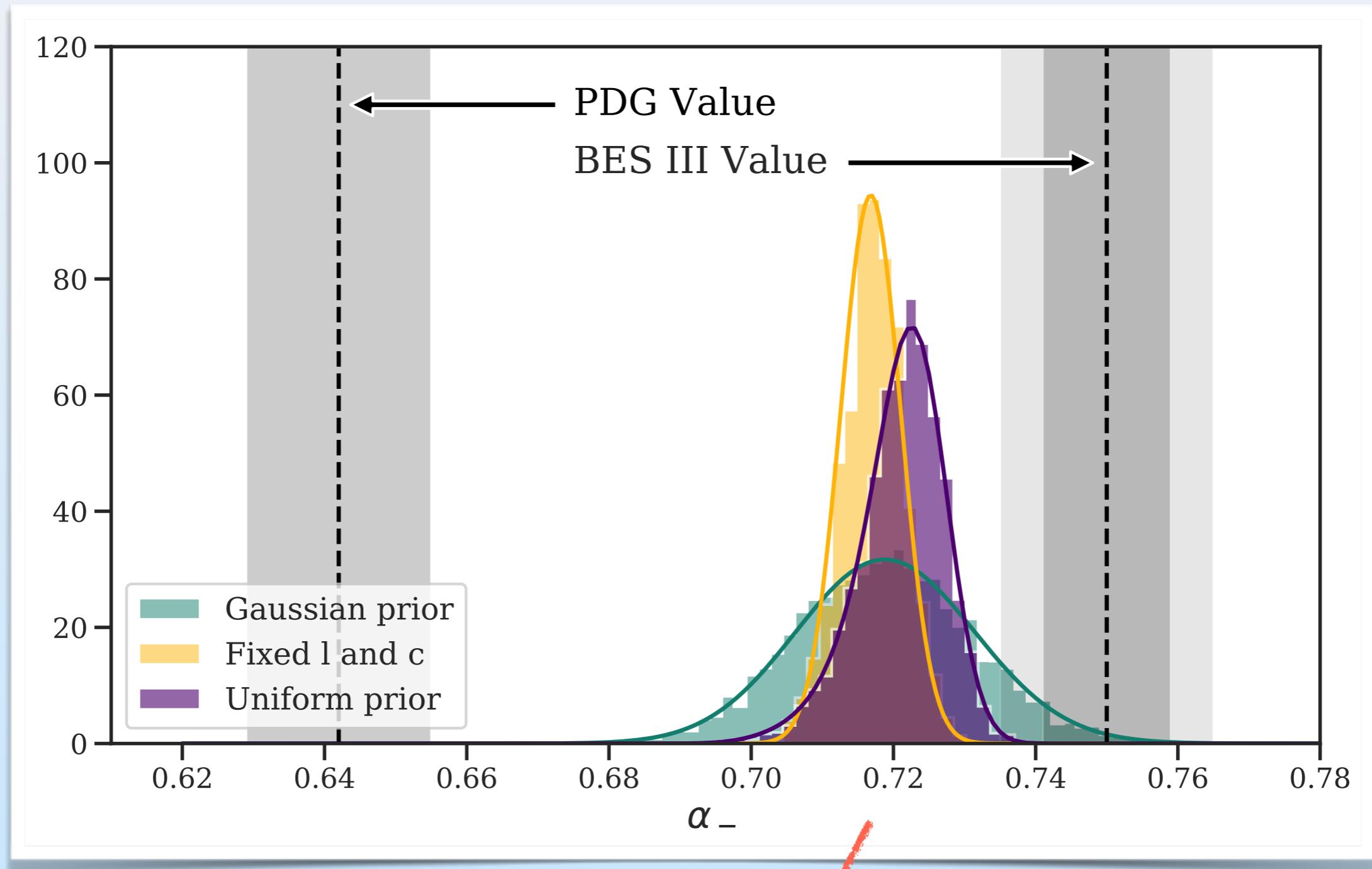


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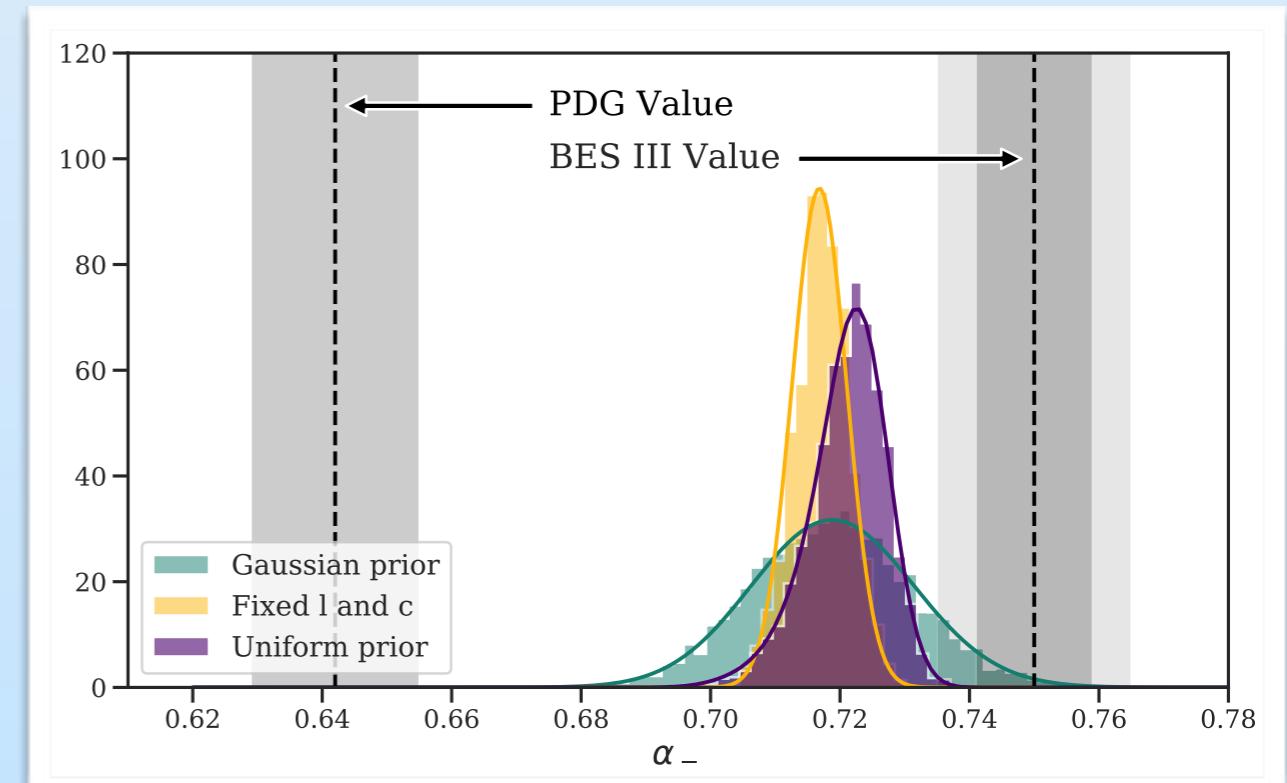


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# SUMMARY

- Kaon photoproduction data contains information on Lambda decay parameter:  $\alpha_-$ .
  - Fierz identities allow for an extraction of  $\alpha_-$ .
  - Careful statistical interpretation is in order:
    - Scaling bias (similar to d'Agostini bias)
    - Non-linearities
    - ...
- multiple simulations and tests ➤ “bias-free” procedure

- Final result is close to the recent BES III value





# **SPARES**

- Ultimately – blind test on model data (JuBo 2019)

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Observable (# data points)	$\chi^2/n$ (Refits)		
	$\alpha_- = 0.642$	0.75	0.721
$d\sigma/d\Omega$ (421) [15]	1.11	1.03	0.95
$\Sigma$ (314) [17]	2.55	2.61	2.56
$T$ (314) [17]	1.75	1.74	1.69
$P$ (410) [15]	1.84	1.66	1.62
$C_x$ (82) [16]	2.15	1.72	1.34
$C_z$ (85) [16]	1.58	1.83	1.62
$O_x$ (314) [17]	1.44	1.53	1.51
$O_z$ (314) [17]	1.34	1.58	1.49
all (2254)	1.67	1.66	1.59

TABLE II.  $\chi^2/\text{data point}$  of the Jülich-Bonn refits for different values of  $\alpha_-$ . The value of  $\alpha_- = \alpha_-^{\text{PDG}} = 0.642$  corresponds to the refit to unscaled data,  $\alpha_- = 0.75$  correponds to the BES-III result [1] and  $\alpha_- = 0.721$  uses the data-driven result of this study as input for the refit.