

Precision Electroweak Measurements at the Energy Frontier

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Community Planning Meeting

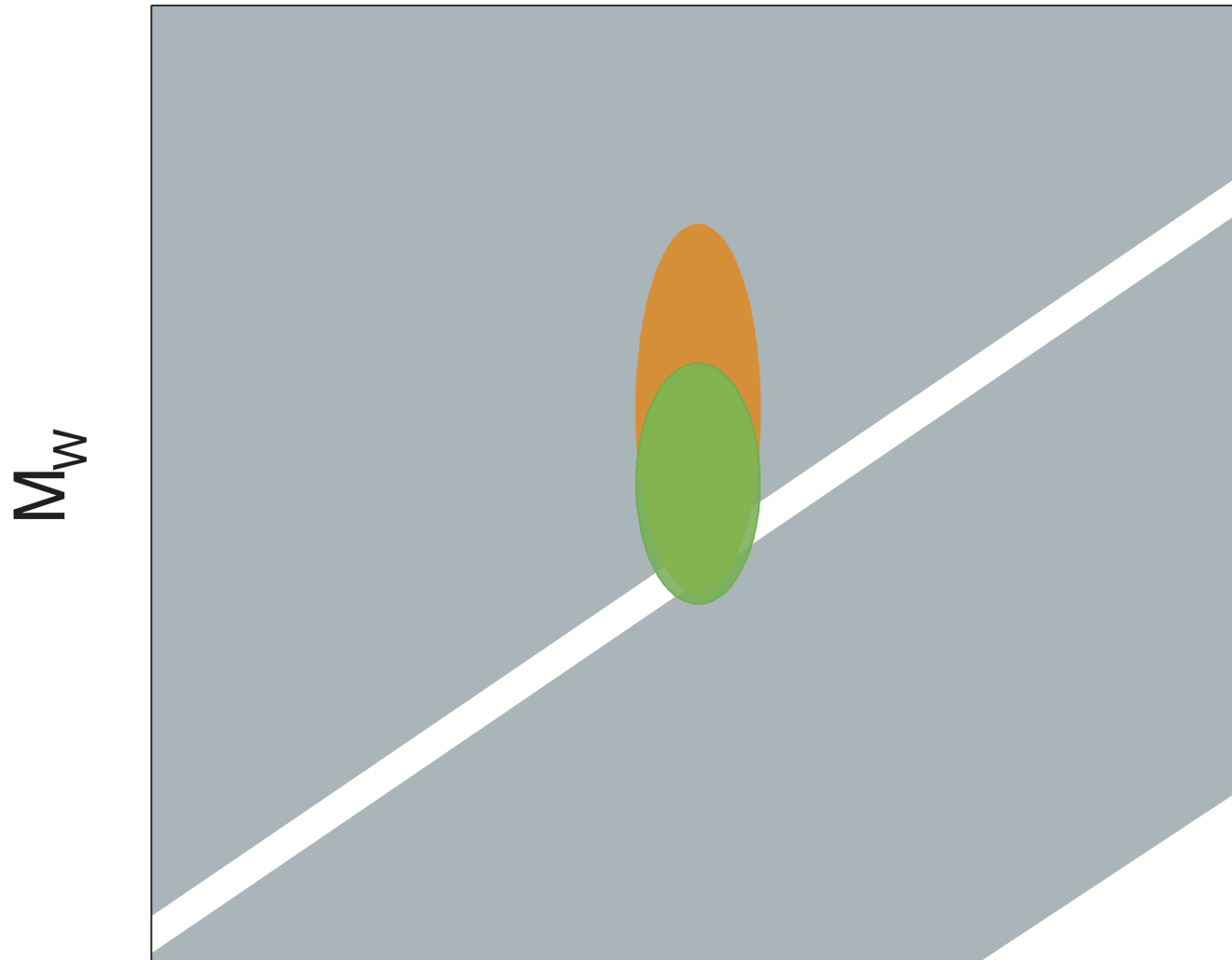
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End of an Era...Dawn of a New Era

- To a large extent, precision electroweak measurements at the energy frontier have been guided by symmetries of the standard model
 - Measurement of gauge couplings
 - Universality of electroweak interactions
 - Electroweak gauge symmetry
 - Pinpoint the mass of the Higgs boson, assuming SM Higgs mechanism
- If 126 GeV boson is the SM Higgs boson, what is the next agenda for precision electroweak measurements?

Before Higgs Discovery



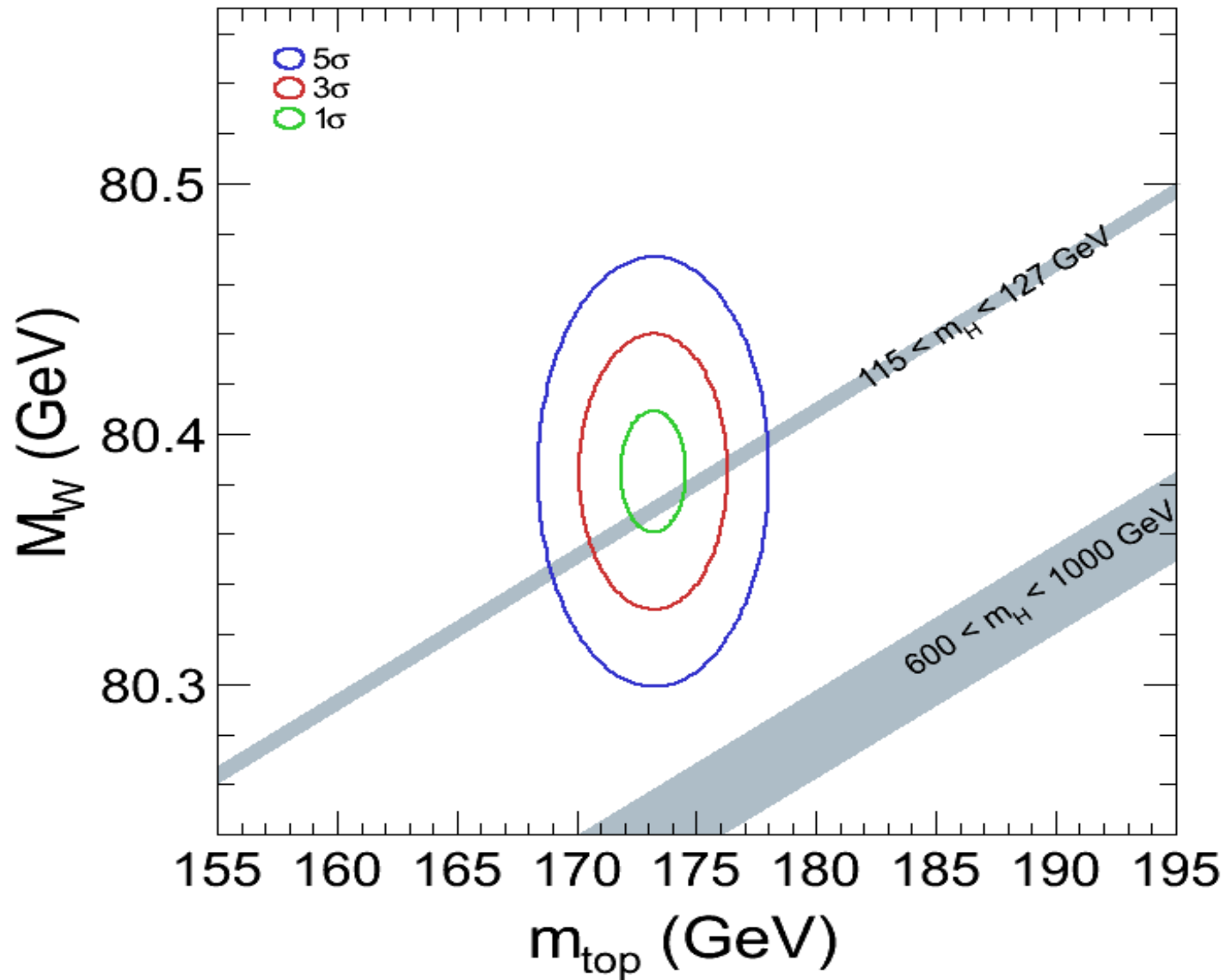
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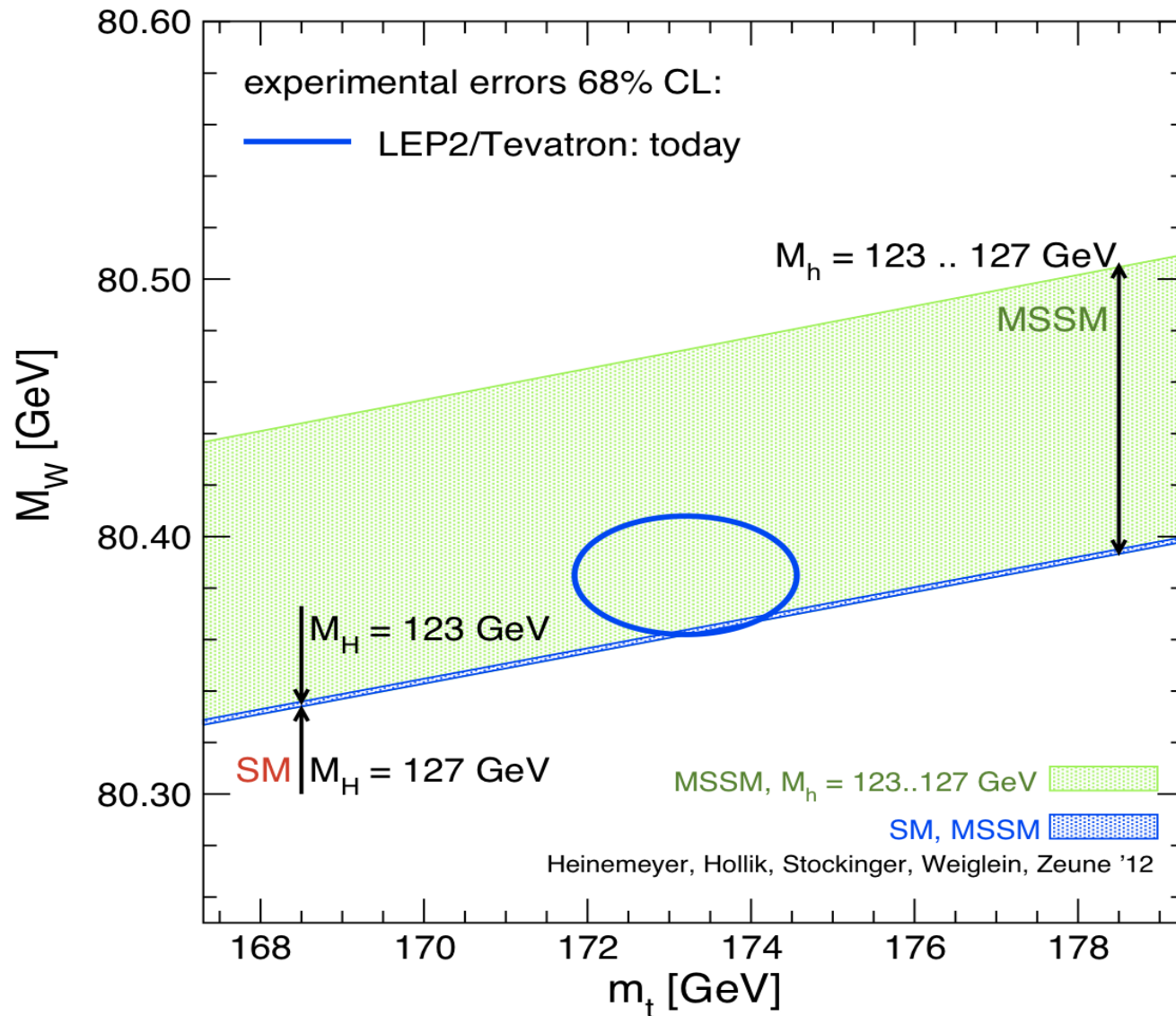
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After Higgs Discovery



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Our Charge

- Driven by the question

“What is the energy scale of physics beyond the standard model ?”

- Can precision electroweak measurements give us guidance?

Our Charge

- What are the important precision observables that can reveal deviations from the standard model
 - Observables that are sensitive to loop effects from eg. SUSY, extra dimensions, additional fermions, extra gauge bosons...
- Find the thresholds of precision that need to be achieved for these observables in order to be sensitive to new physics
- Study the precision that can be achieved at each proposed facility on these observables, and ask what machine and detector parameters are required to reach the discovery threshold
- Identify the calculational tools needed to predict standard model rates and distributions in order to perform these measurements at the required precision.

Detailed Charge

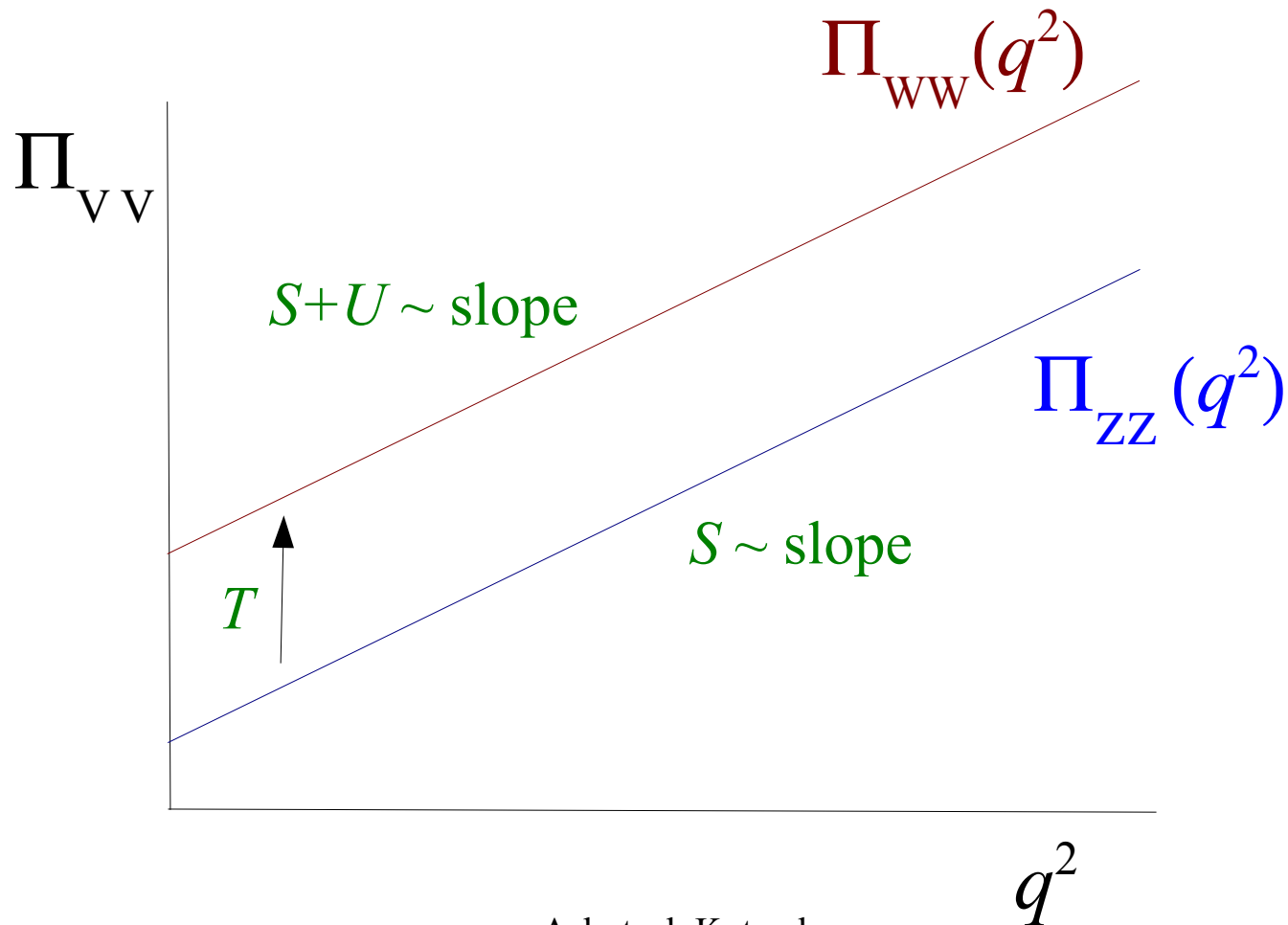
- What accuracies can be achieved on precision electroweak observables such as m_W and $\sin^2\theta_W$?
- For experiments at hadron colliders, what information about QCD is needed to achieve the goals for these precision measurements?
- It is interesting to improve the Z pole measurements using a "giga-Z" facility?
- How sensitive a test of the Standard Model can be achieved by comparing electroweak observables to the measured values of the Higgs boson and top quark masses?
 - How sensitive will future measurements be to deviations from the Standard Model expected in models of new physics?

Detailed Charge

- What accuracies can be achieved in measuring the parameters of weak-boson 3- and 4-boson interactions?
 - If there is a strongly interacting Higgs sector with a spectrum of resonances in the TeV energy region, how well might the spectrum be measured, in particular, at a high energy hadron collider?
- Exploration of the above goals to be guided by the following considerations:
 - Evaluate the above goals in the context of future facilities from the broad list above, paying attention to any benchmark energies or luminosities that enable physics goals.
 - Are new theoretical or simulation tools required in order to achieve the goals?
 - What are the detector and computing challenges that the above goals imply?

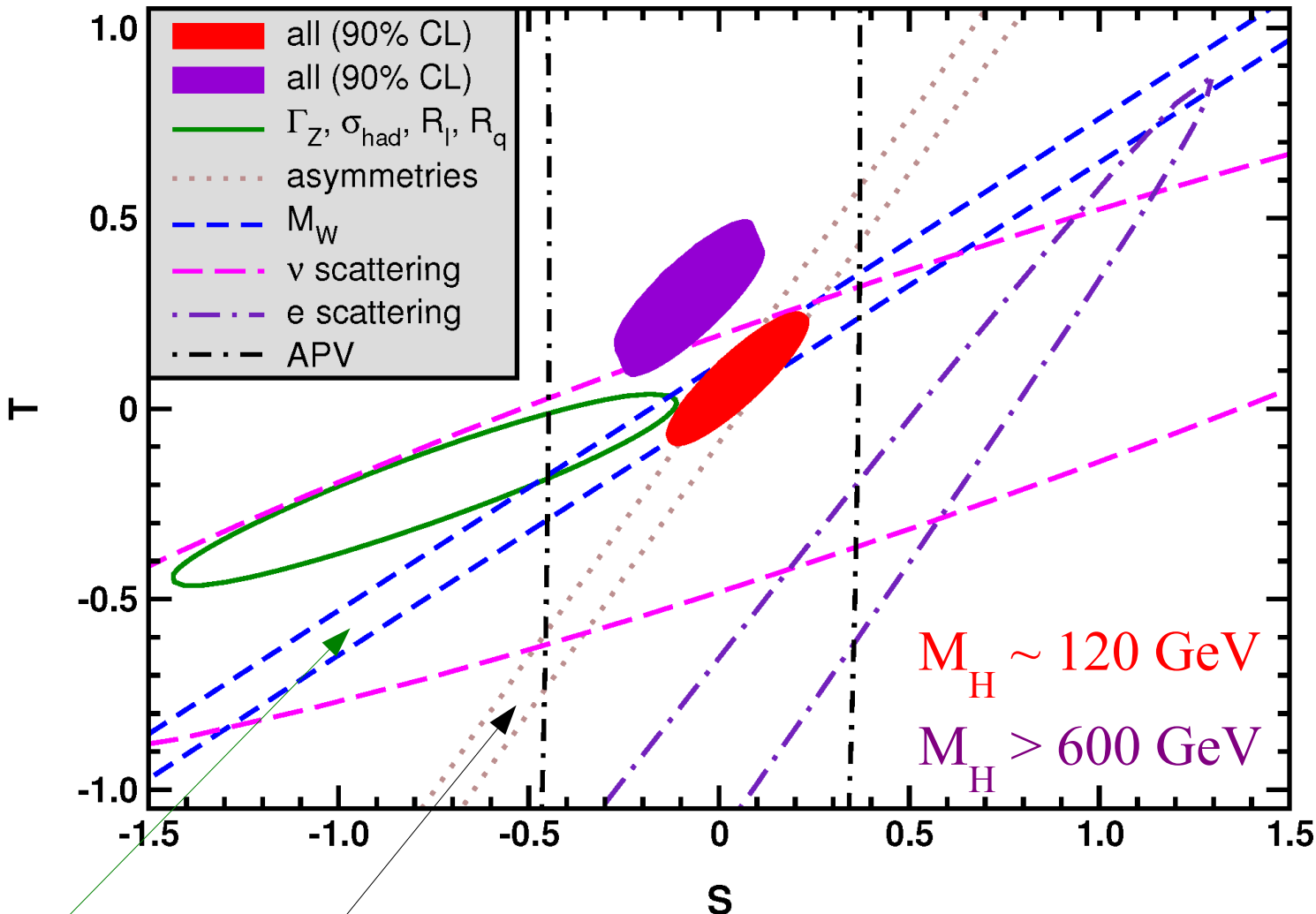
Example: New Physics Through Propagator Corrections

- Generic parameterization of new physics contributing to W and Z boson self-energies through radiative corrections in propagators
 - S, T, U parameters (Peskin & Takeuchi, Marciano & Rosner, Kennedy & Langacker, Kennedy & Lynn)



Propagator Corrections

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Can we map models of new physics into the ST plane?

(from P. Langacker, 2012)

M_W and Asymmetries are the most powerful observables in this parameterization

Theory Guidance

- How well can the SM Higgs mass be predicted from electroweak precision observables (EWPOs) to compare to “126 GeV Higgs-like Boson”
- constraining SUSY: Given LHC limits on squarks and gluinos, what is needed to be able to obtain complementary information from EWPOs?
- What is the radiative correction induced in EWPOs by various technicolor models, extra-dimensional models etc?

Example: M_W Measurements at Tevatron and LHC

- Factor of 2-5 bigger samples of W and Z bosons available at Tevatron
- Huge samples at LHC
- For most of the sources of systematic uncertainties, we have demonstrated that we can find ways to constrain them with data and scale systematic uncertainties with data statistics
- Exception is the PDF uncertainty, where we have not made a dedicated effort to constrain the PDFs within the analysis: current PDF uncertainty is 10 MeV at the Tevatron, total M_W uncertainty is 15 MeV
- We need to address specific PDF degrees of freedom to answer the question:
 - Can we achieve total uncertainty on $M_W < 10$ MeV at the Tevatron? 5 MeV at the LHC ?

PDF Uncertainties – scope for improvement

- Newer PDF sets, *e.g.* CT10W include more recent data, such as Tevatron W charge asymmetry data, to be improved with LHC data
- Dominant sources of W mass uncertainty are the d_{valence} and $\bar{d}-\bar{u}$ degrees of freedom at the Tevatron
 - What are the important degrees of freedom for PDFs at the LHC ?
- Tevatron and LHC measurements that can further constrain PDFs:
 - Z boson rapidity distribution
 - $W \rightarrow l\nu$ lepton rapidity distribution
 - W boson charge asymmetry
- Can specialized experiments make an appreciable, additional impact on PDF knowledge?

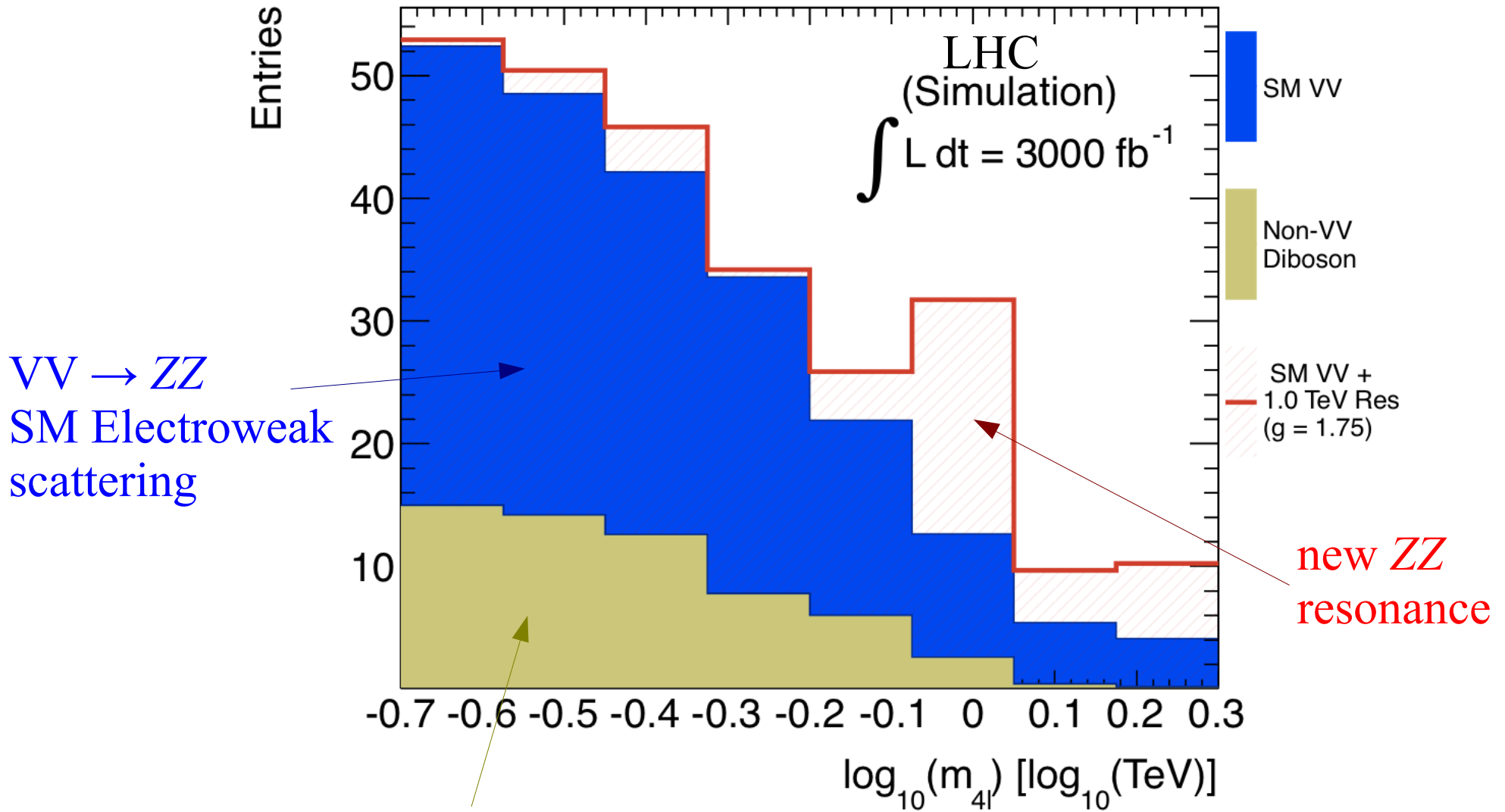
Triple and Quartic Gauge Couplings

- Triple gauge couplings measured at the “few %” level
 - New physics sensitivity possible at the 0.1% level?
- LHC has opened new era of quartic gauge coupling measurements
 - Measurements of longitudinal vector boson scattering is of particular interest to confirm unitarization
 - the search for new resonances in vector boson scattering in multi-TeV range to probe the Higgs sector is well-motivated
 - even if SM Higgs implies that no new resonances are needed for unitarization
 - What is the needed precision in quartic coupling measurements to detect new physics?

Developing Action Plan

- Careful study of how well W and Z and VV , VVV kinematic distributions and total rates can be measured and predicted at different colliders
 - ongoing work in the context of the LPCC EWWG and European Strategy Forum which we could use and extend
- Then the same study for the extraction of EW parameters and ElectroWeak Precision Observables, Trilinear & Quartic Gauge Couplings
 - Quite some work for the LHC and ILC has been done already
 - update past studies, in particular where new calculations became available
 - **Initiate new studies, especially on quartic couplings**

Example: $ZZ (\rightarrow 4l)$ Scattering at LHC



Substantial $ZZ + 2j$ “QCD” production background, to be calculated with $\sim 10\%$ accuracy

Electron-Positron Collider

- As LEP I and LEP II demonstrated, electron-positron collider is well-suited to make very precise measurements of electroweak observables:
 - Z-pole observables
 - W boson and top quark masses (@ higher c.m.s. energy)
 - Trilinear gauge couplings
 - Quartic gauge couplings (@ higher c.m.s. energy)
 - $\sin^2\theta_W$ versus c.m.s. Energy
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- We plan to document the sensitivity achievable in the various running modes (Giga-Z, threshold scans, vector boson fusion, vector boson scattering...)

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- Join us and help define the new era of precision electroweak measurements