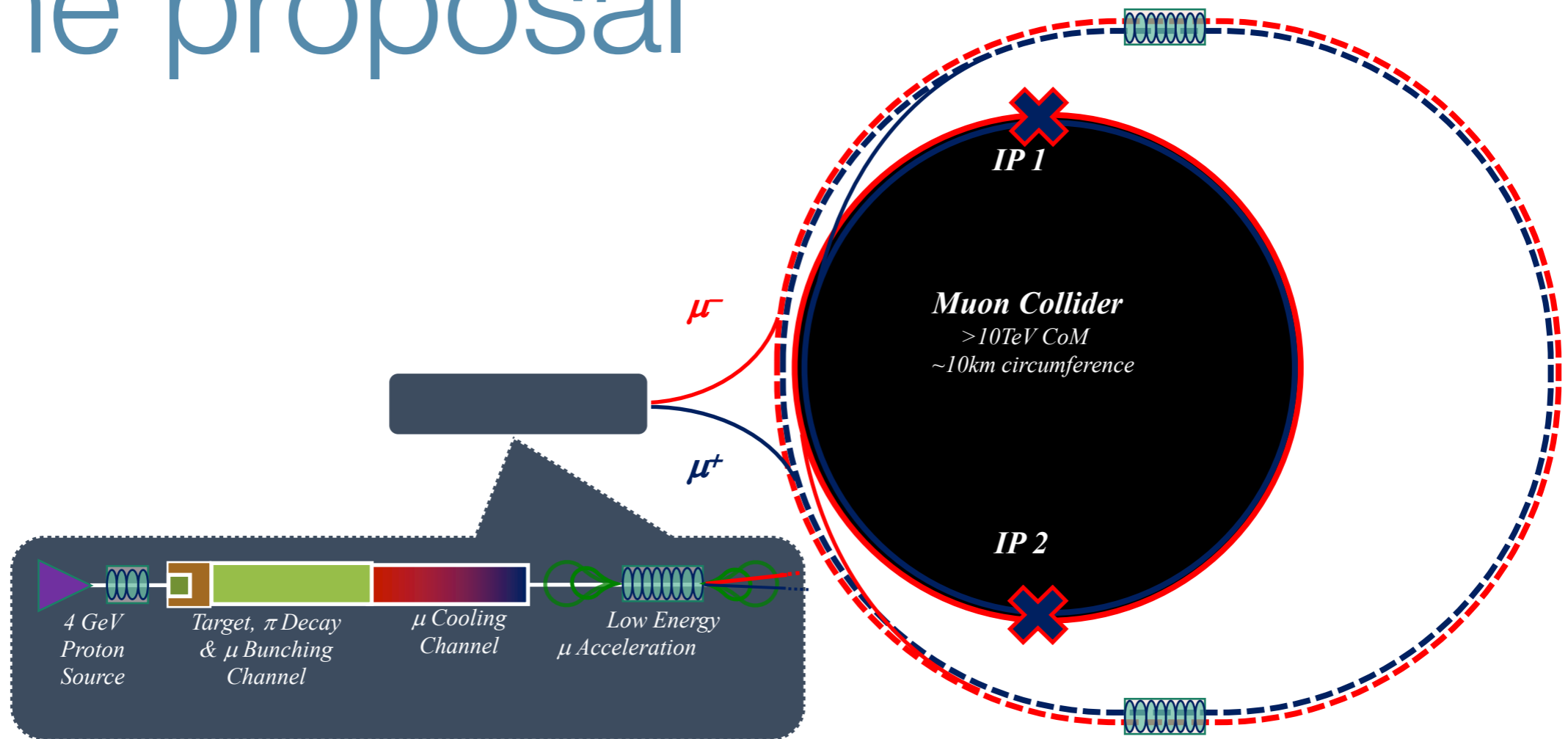


# Physics potential of Muon Collider

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University of Chicago

# The proposal



Running scenarios

$$E_{\text{CM}} = 3 \text{ TeV}, \quad \mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$$

$$E_{\text{CM}} = 10 \text{ TeV}, \quad \mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ ab}^{-1}$$

$$\mathcal{L} \propto E_{\text{CM}}^2$$

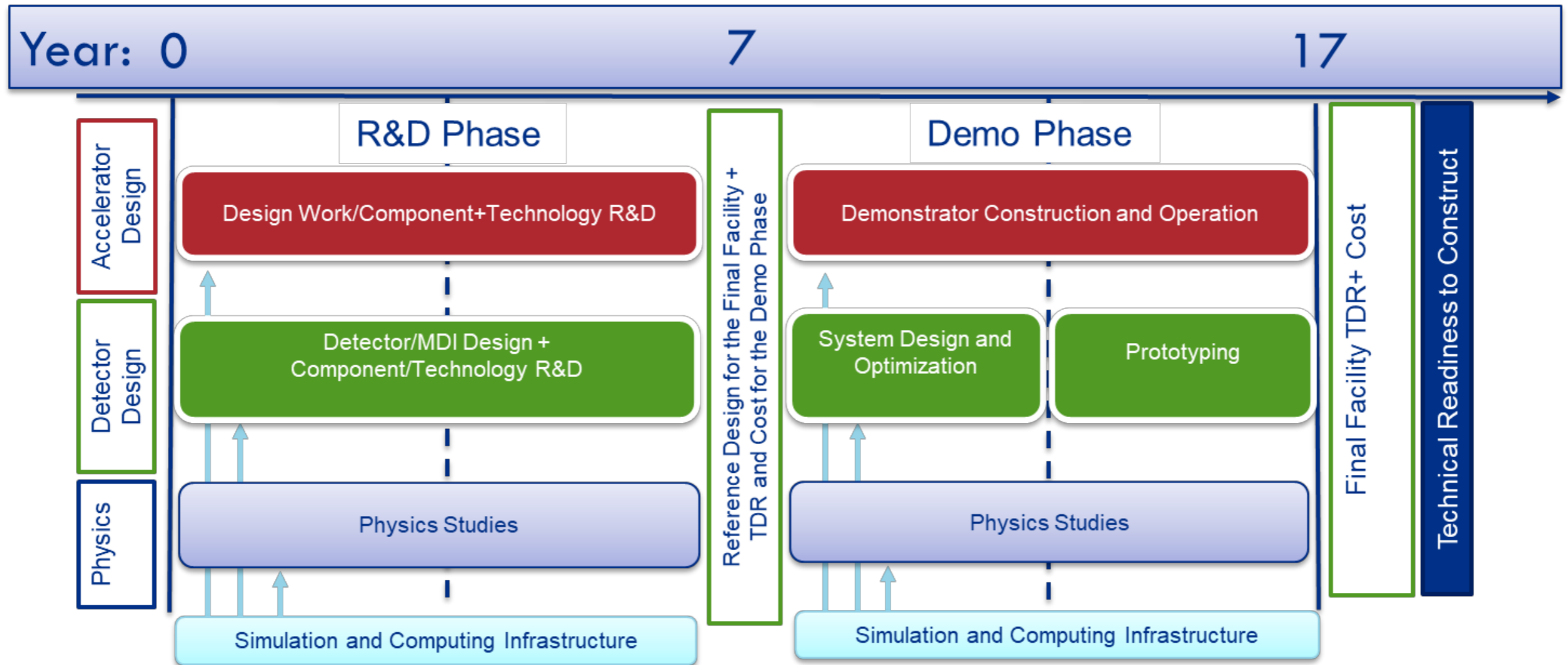
# Ready to build?

Collider Concepts	Collider-in-Sea	WFA MuIC Multi-TeV ILC (Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn)	ReLIC (≤3 TeV) CCC (TeV)	SppC FCC-eh TeV ILC (Nb)	FCC-hh CLIC
Technical Maturity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low maturity conceptual development.</li> <li>• Proof-of-principle R&amp;D required.</li> <li>• Concepts not ready for facility consideration.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emerging accelerator concepts requiring significant basic R&amp;D and design effort to bring to maturity.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Designs have achieved a level of maturity to have reliable performance evaluations based on prior R&amp;D and design efforts.</li> <li>• Critical project risks have been identified and sub-system focused R&amp;D is underway where necessary.</li> </ul>	
Funding Approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding for basic R&amp;D required.</li> <li>• Availability of "generic" accelerator test facility access often necessary</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Efforts would benefit from directed R&amp;D funding to mature collider concepts.</li> <li>• Availability of test facilities to demonstrate a broad range of technology concepts required.</li> <li>• Some large-ticket demonstrators are generally necessary before a detailed "reference" design can be completed.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding approach typically transitions to "project-style" efforts with significant dedicated investment required.</li> </ul>	

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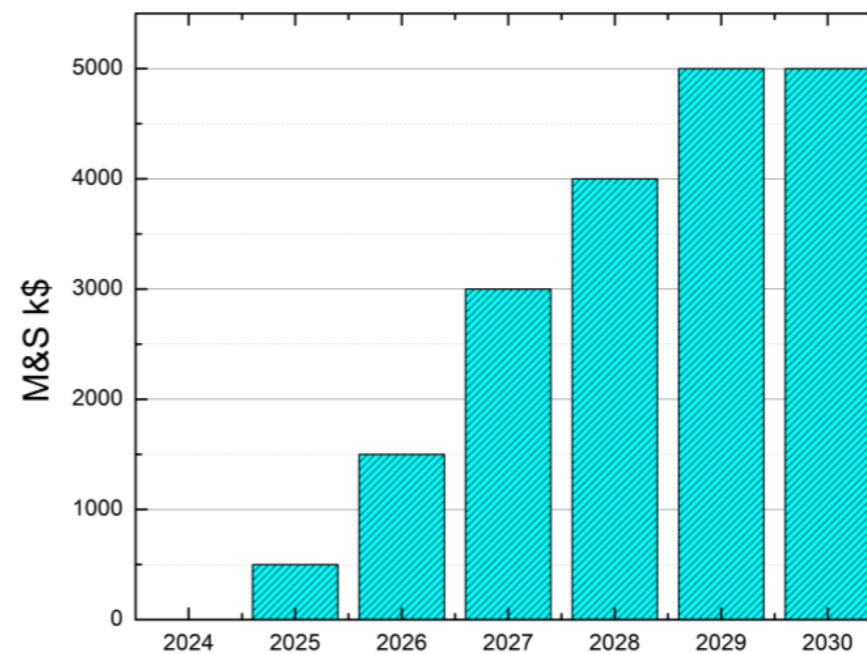
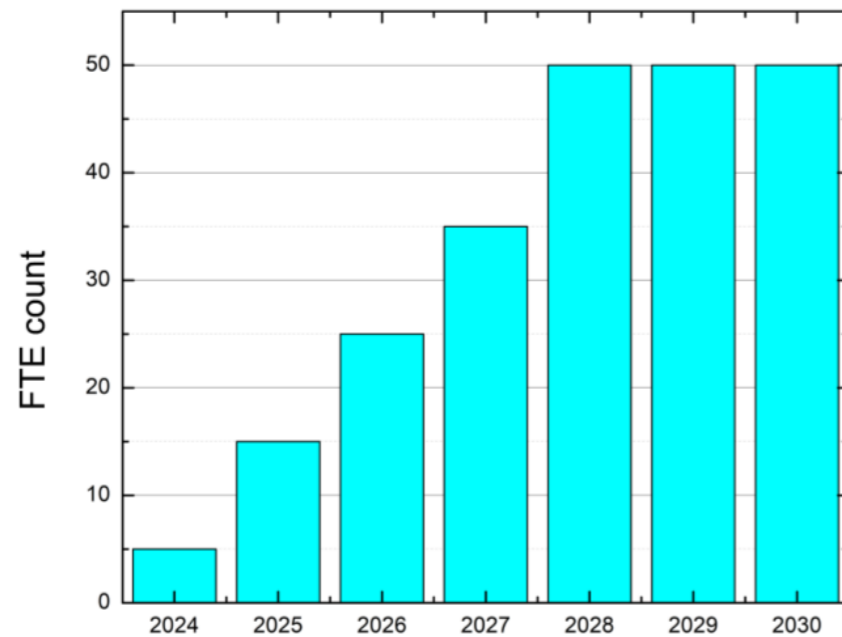
Before the decision to build it, needs more R&D.

# A plan.



Ready to build in early 2040s.

# Need support



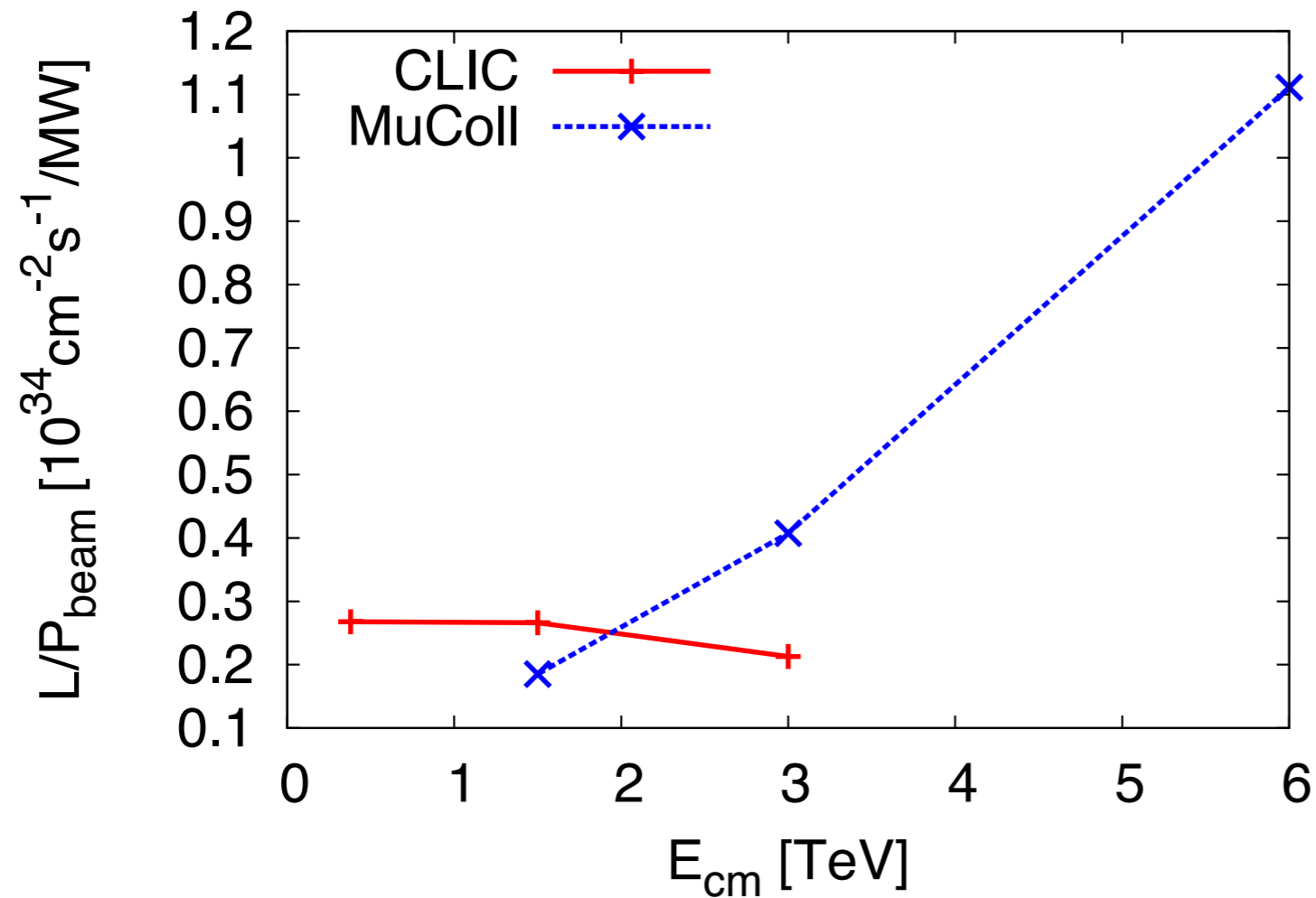
International Muon Collider Collaboration established after European strategy update in 2020.

US support (money, people) will be also crucial

A first step: P5 report (~ 24 hours from now)

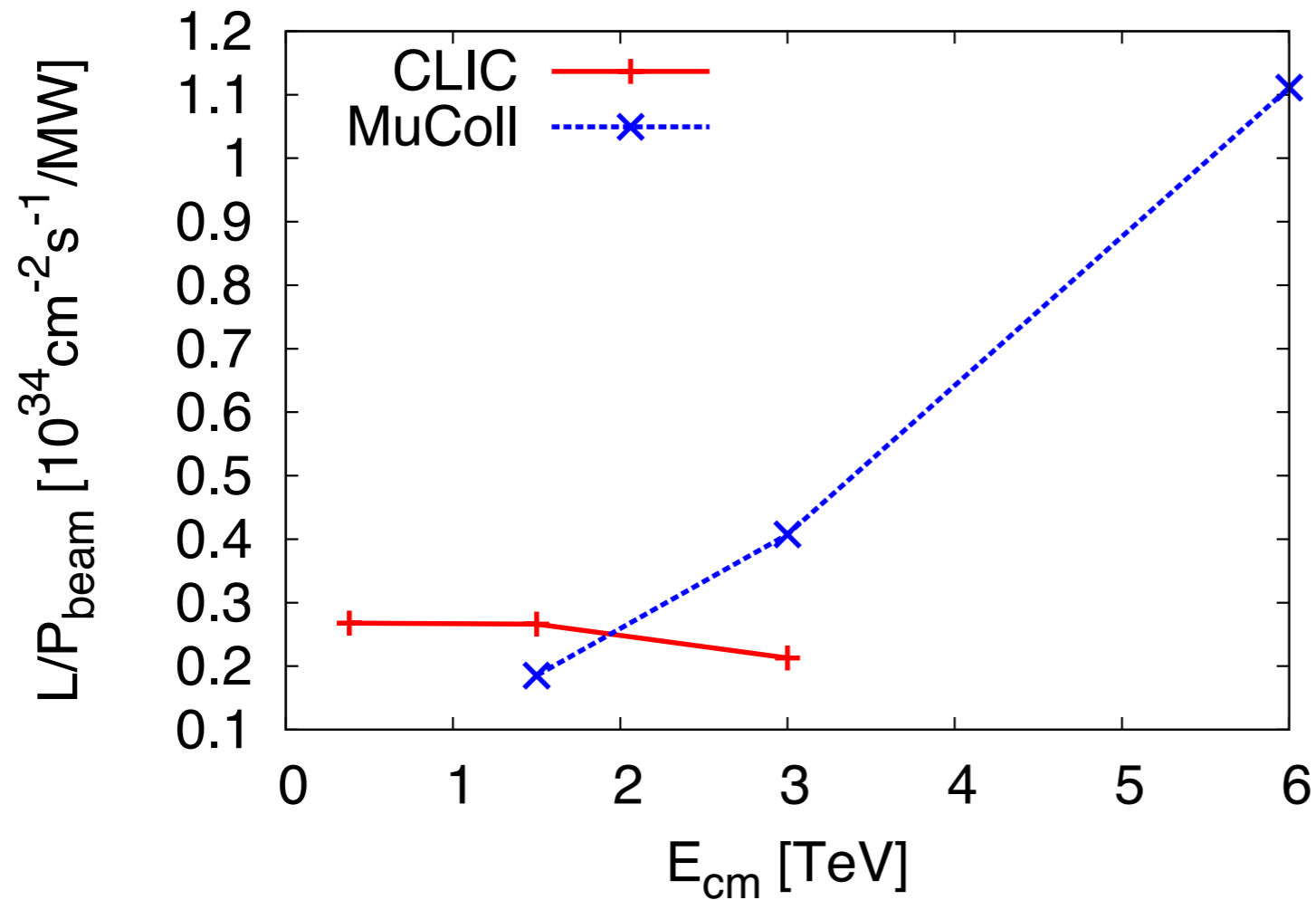
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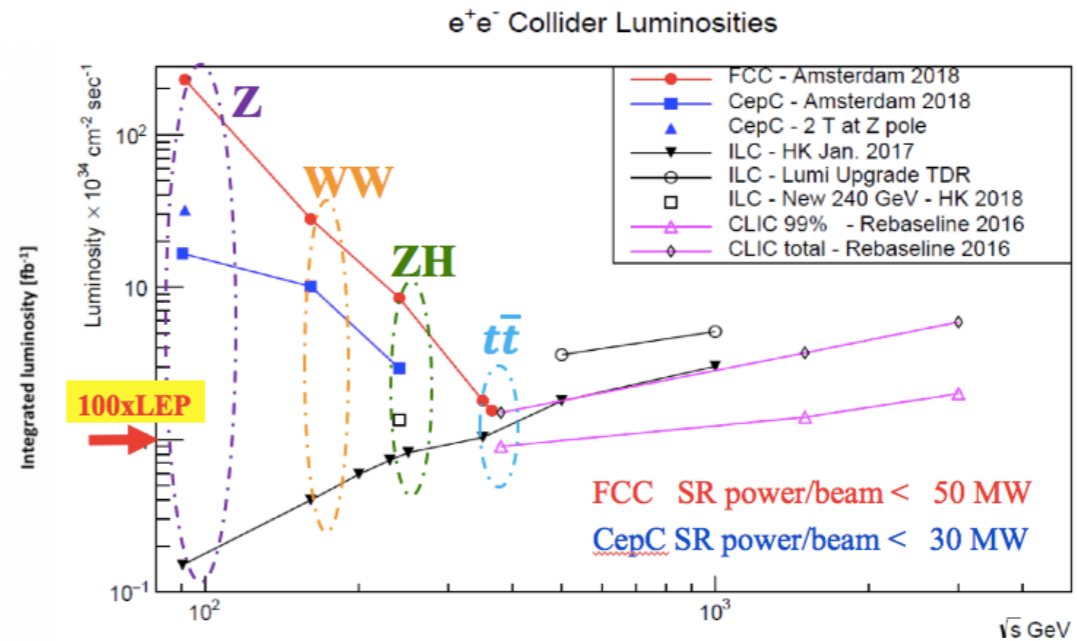
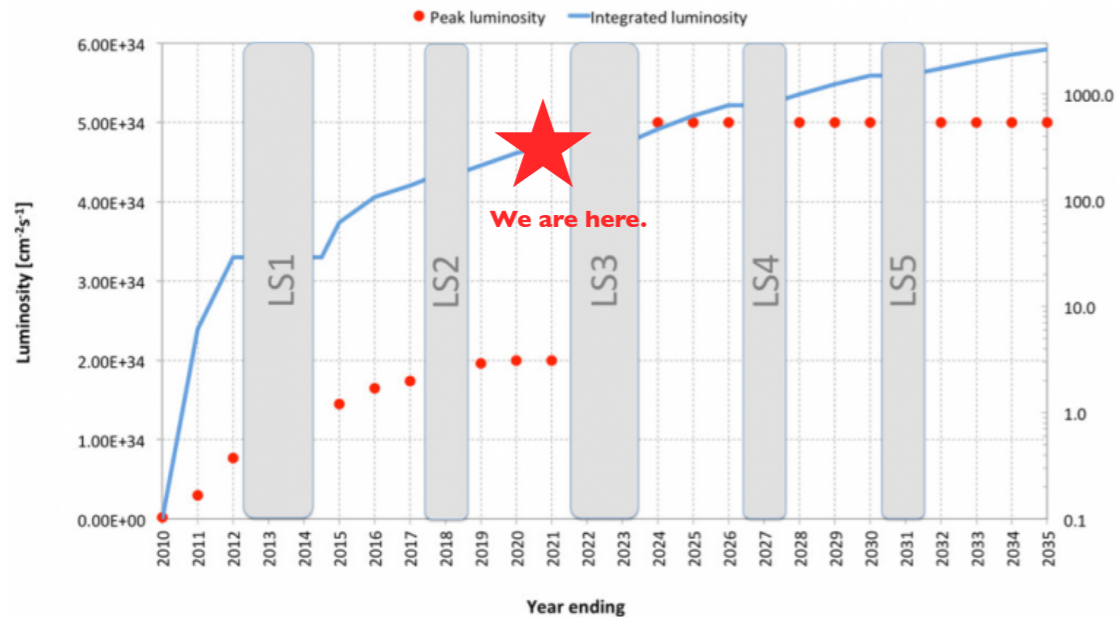
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Good enough? Yes (for most of us).

Still, why muon collider at these energies?

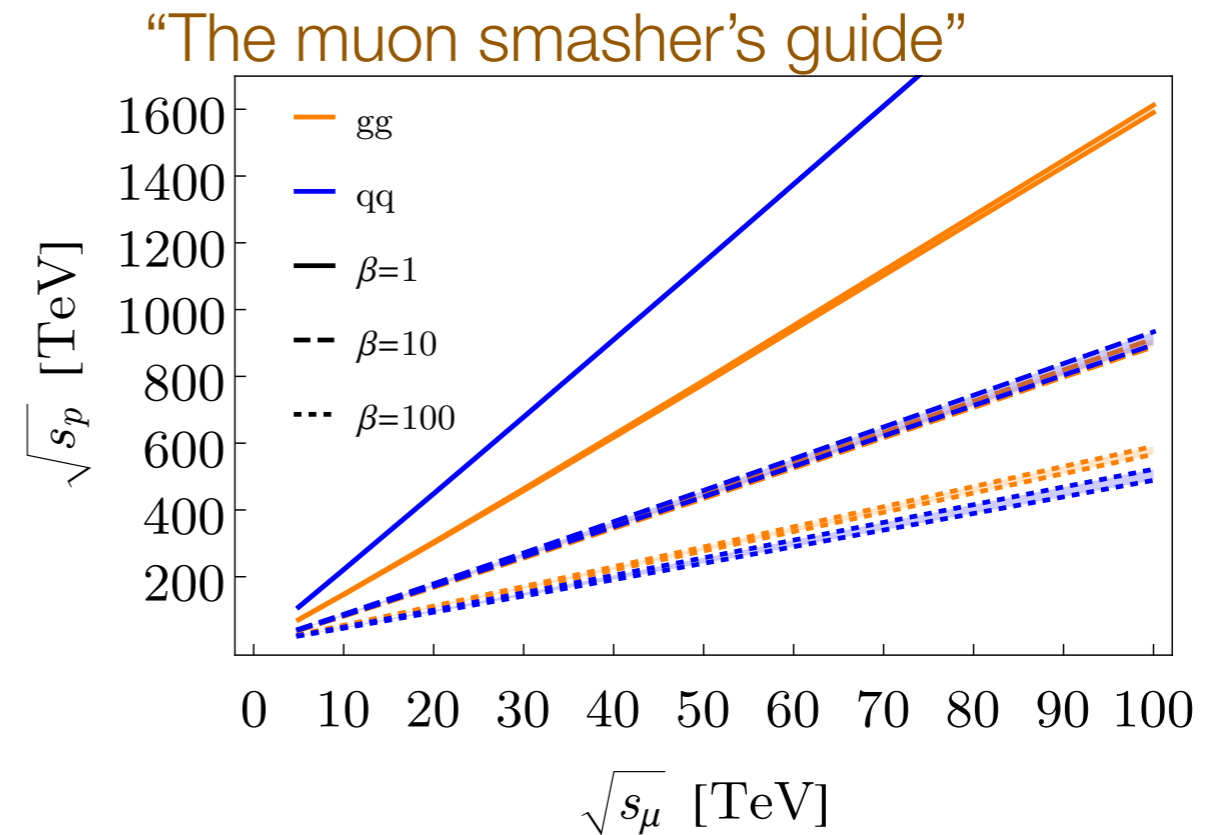
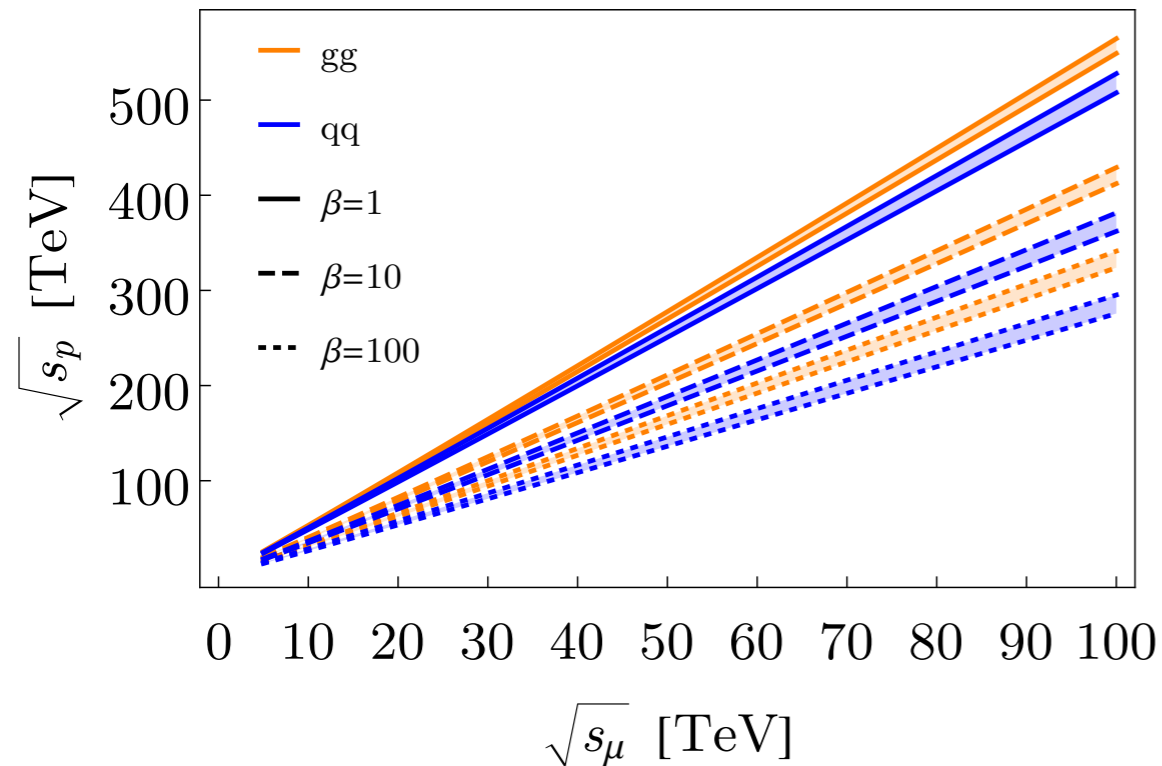


# The coming decades



- \* Main “near term” targets: precision, rare processes.
- \* Muon collider, going beyond these options, such as LHC and the low energy Higgs factories.

# Comparison with 100-ish TeV pp collider Such as FCC-hh or SPPC



- \* Naively, 100 TeV pp  $\approx$  10+ TeV muon collider.
- \* Lepton collider “cleaner”. Good for precision, search in difficult channels.

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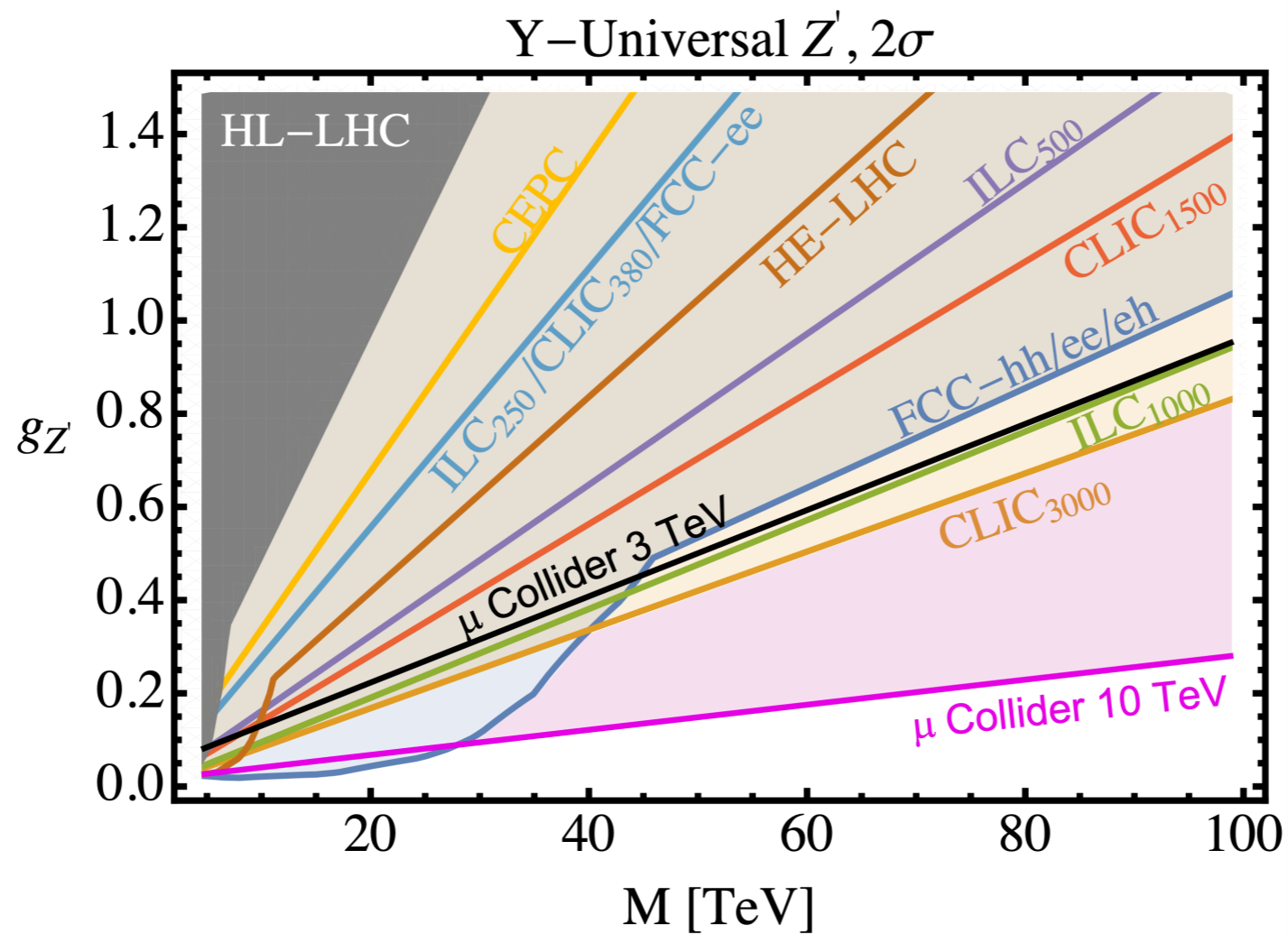
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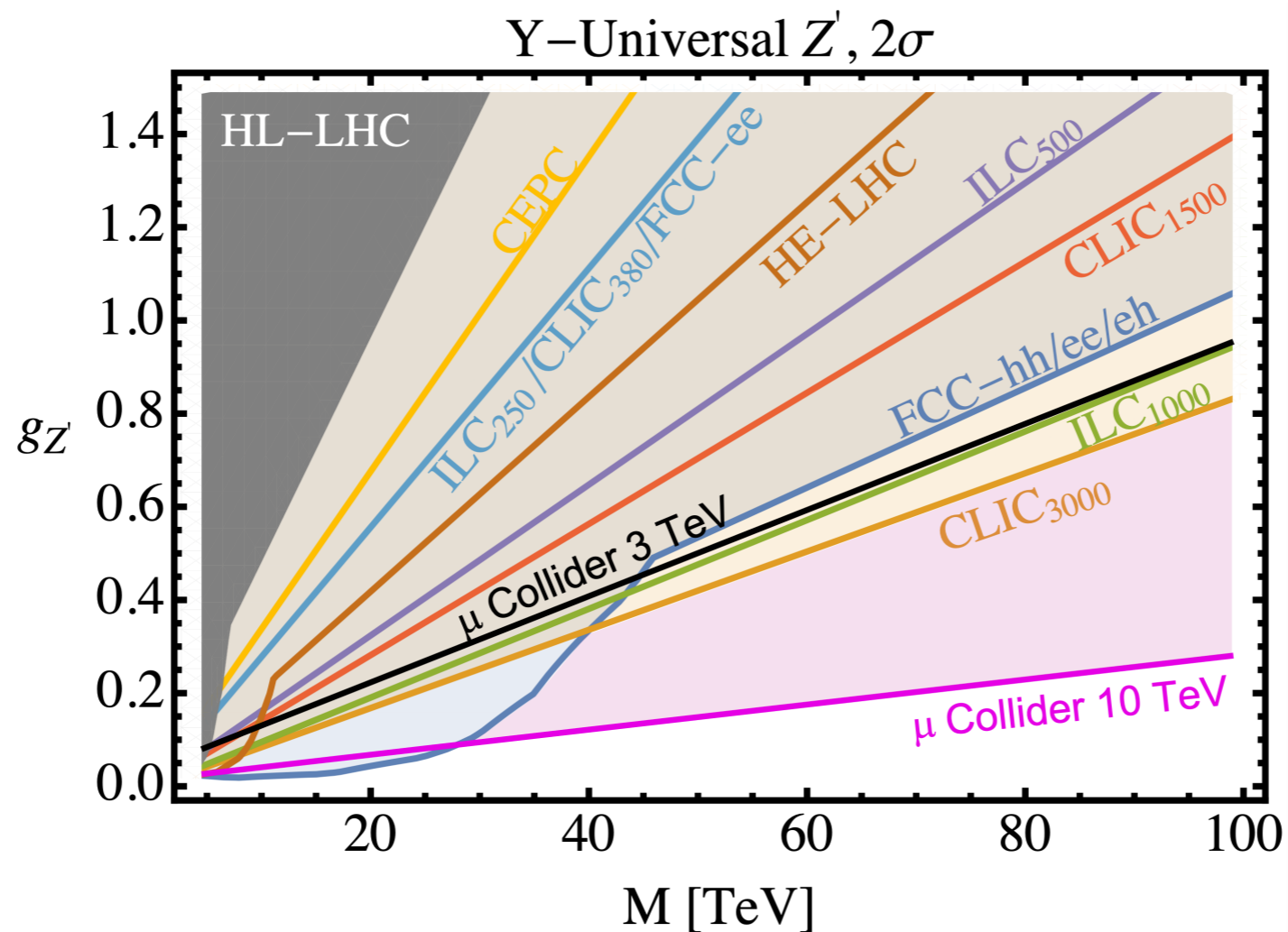
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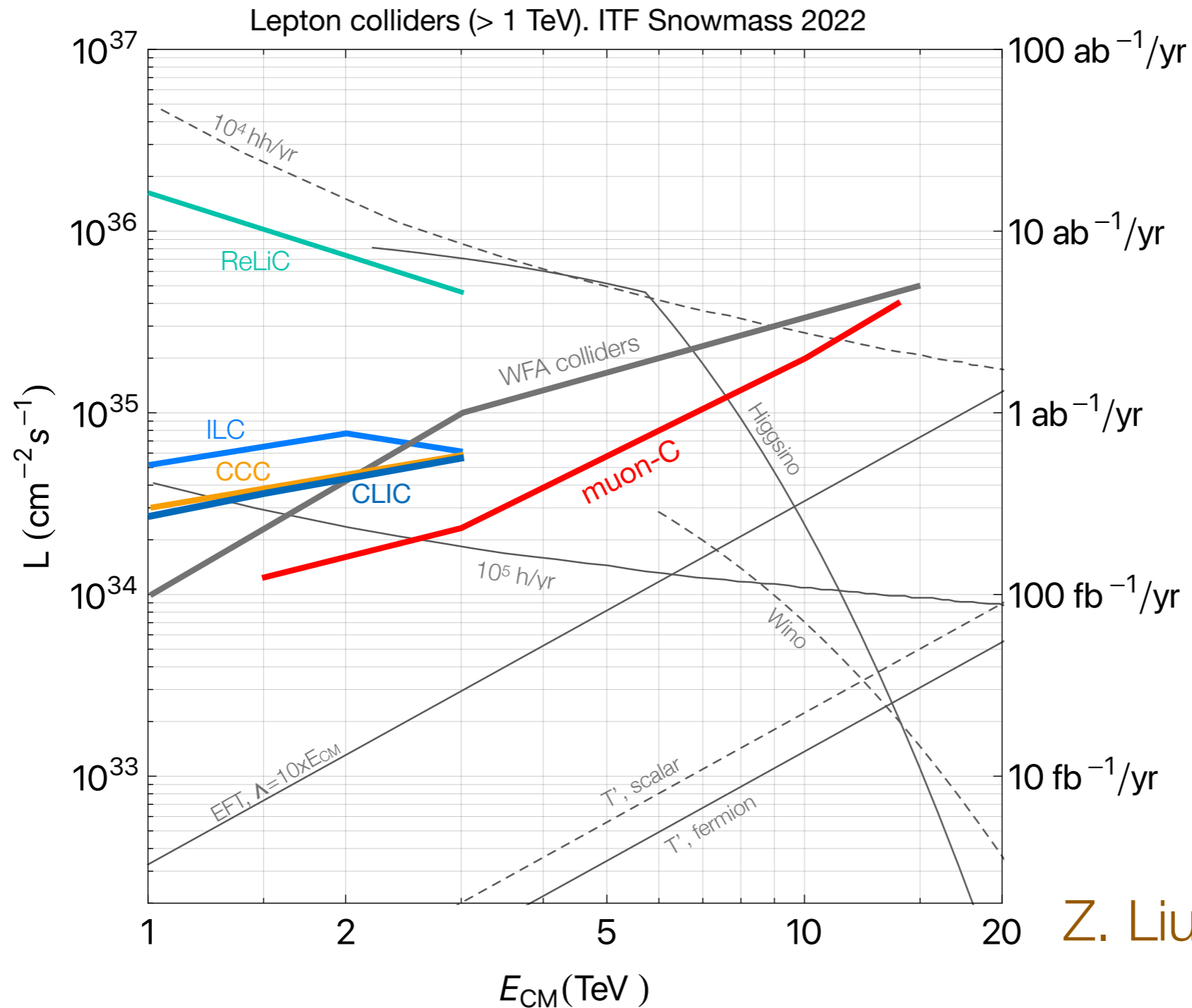


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What are the interesting questions it can help answer?

# Basic physics output



Z. Liu, LTW

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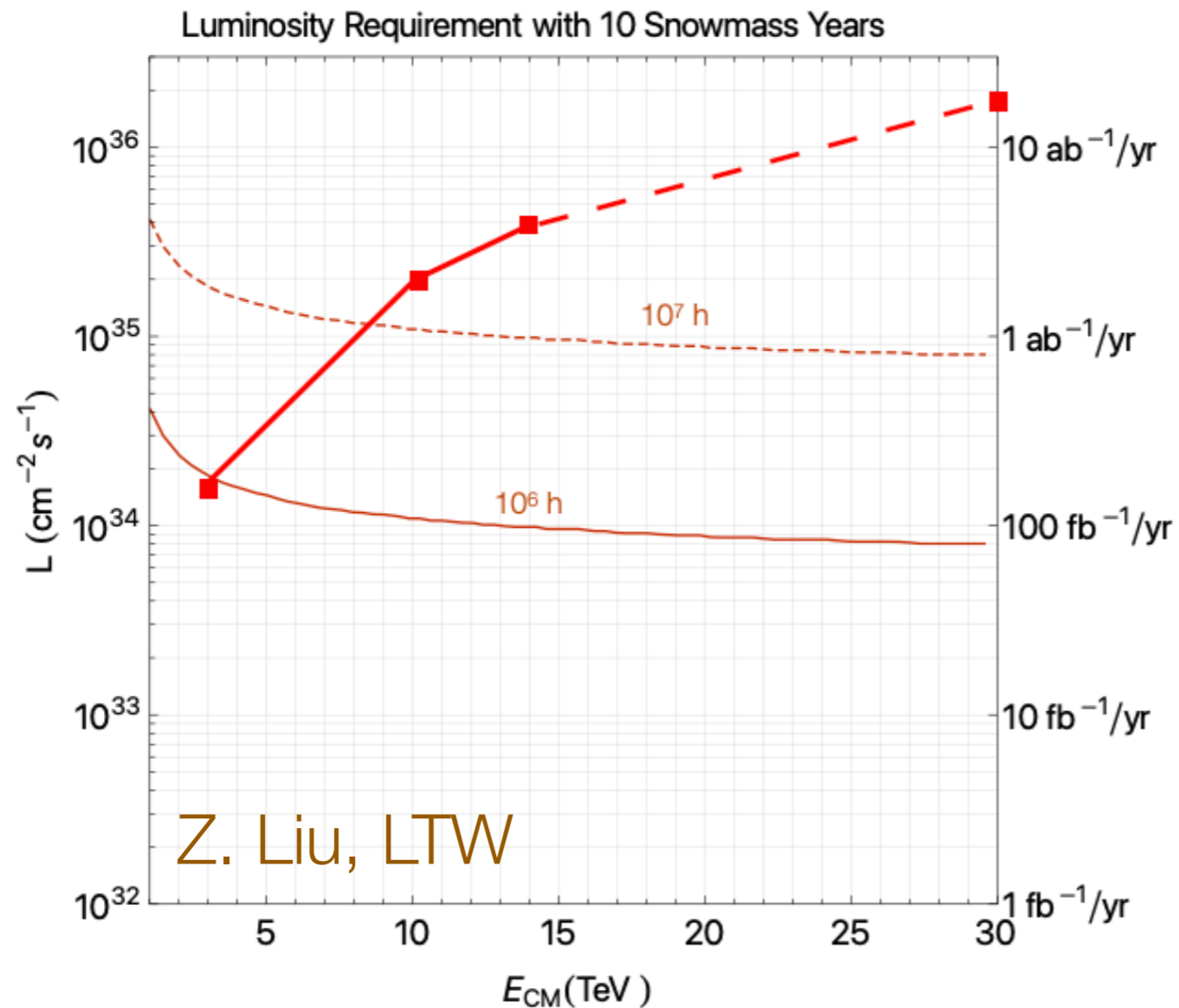
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It will reach energies much beyond the electroweak scale!

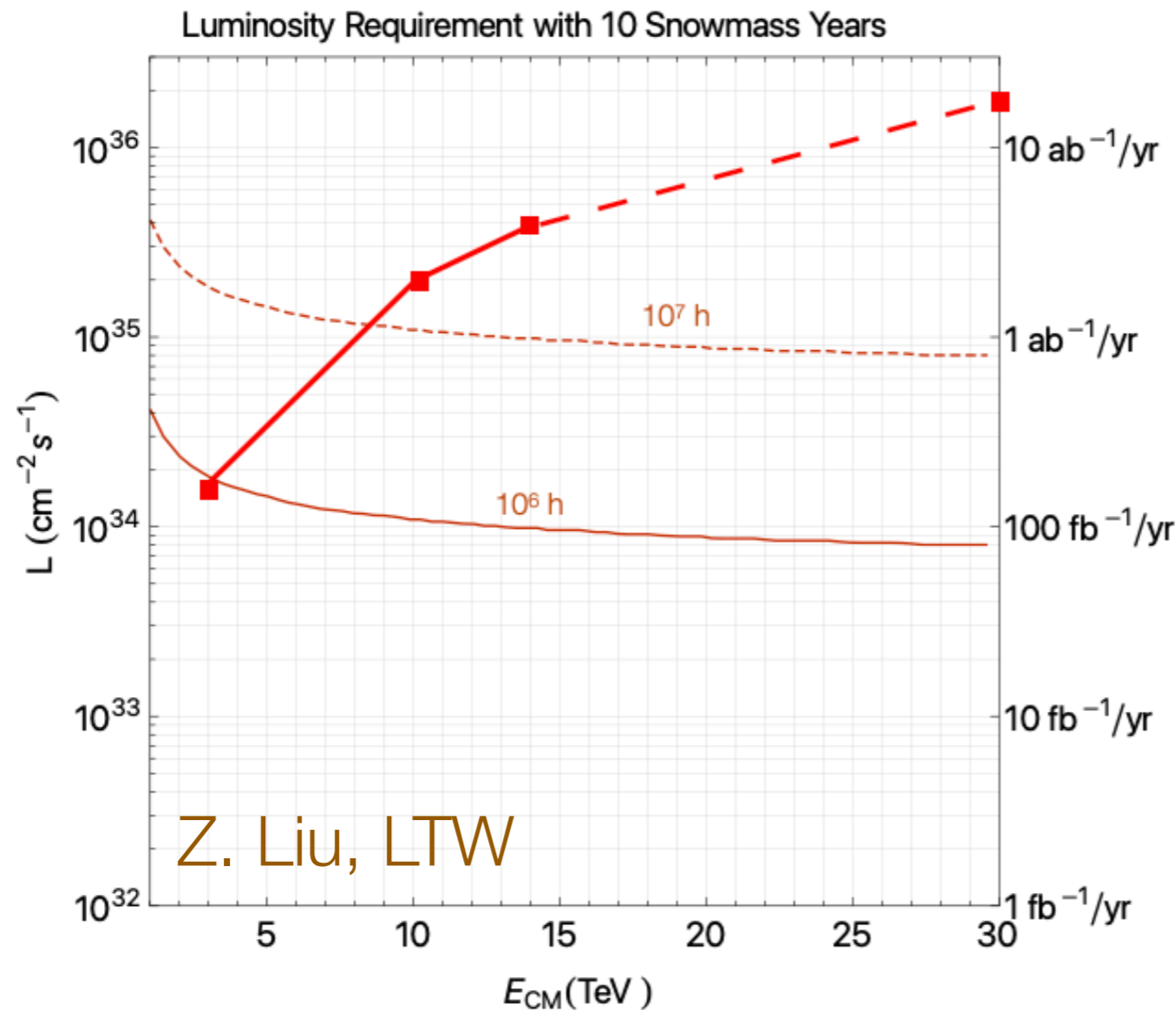
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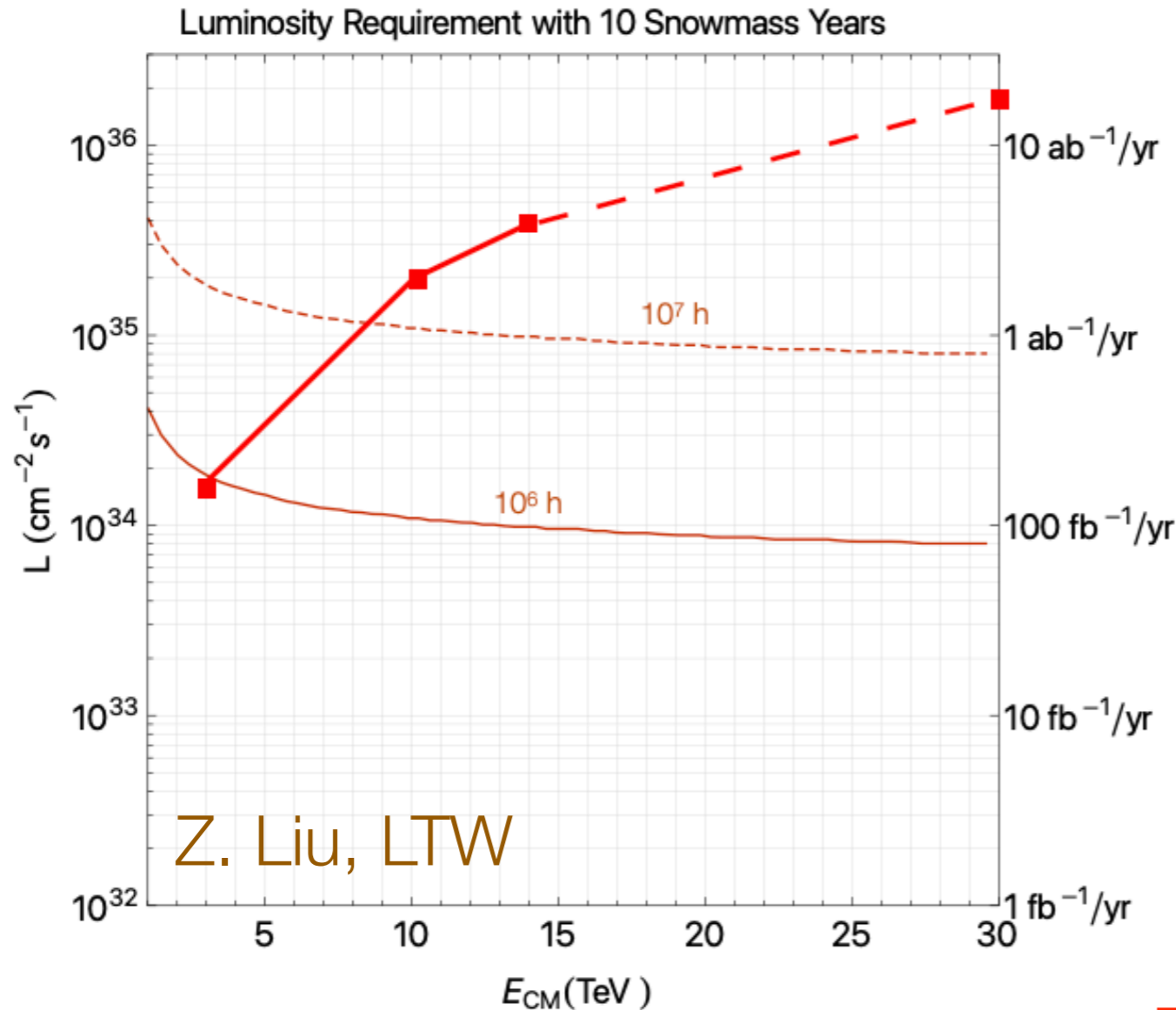
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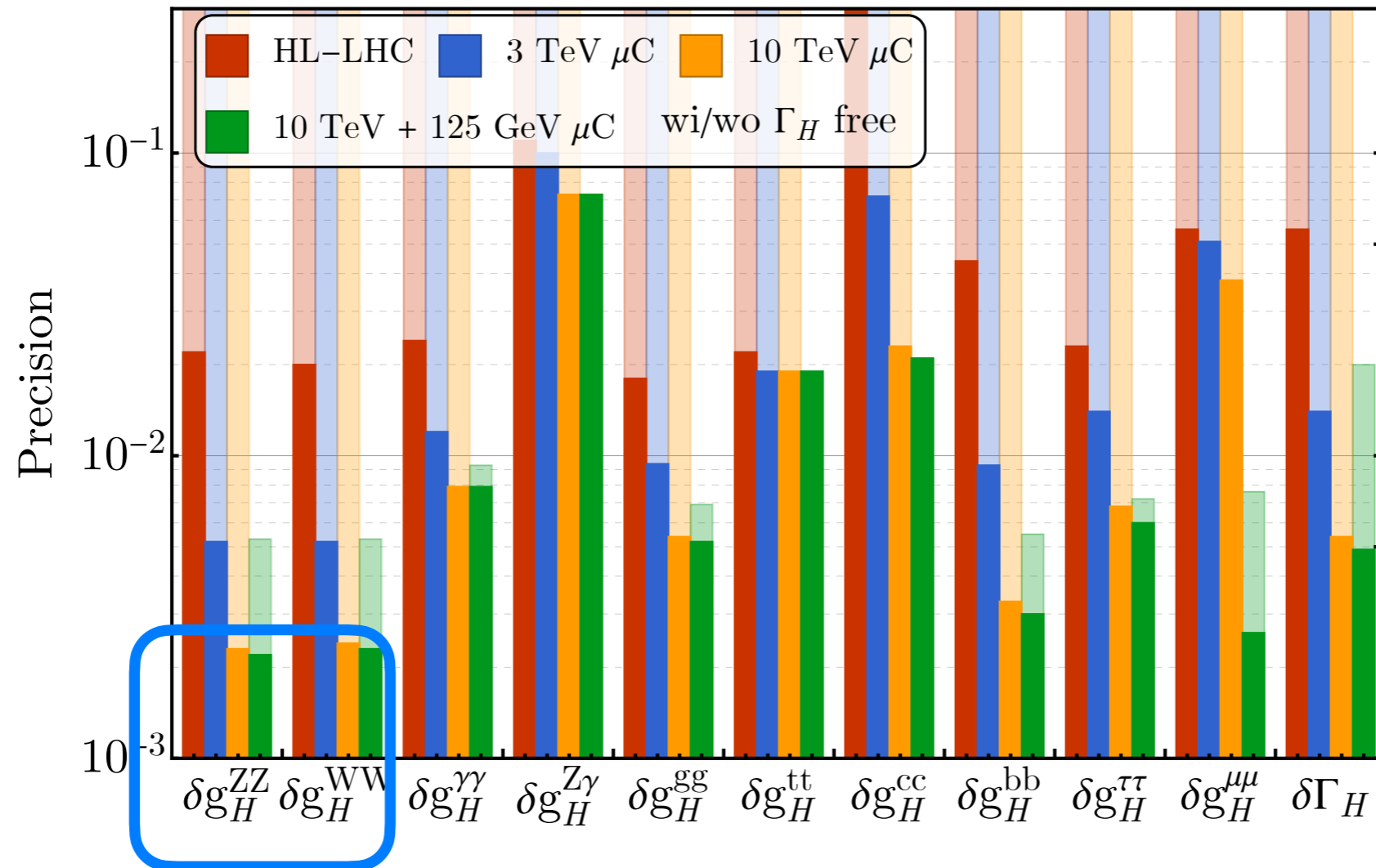
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better than low E higgs factories

# Higgs precision

Muon Collider Higgs Precision Projections (SMEFT)

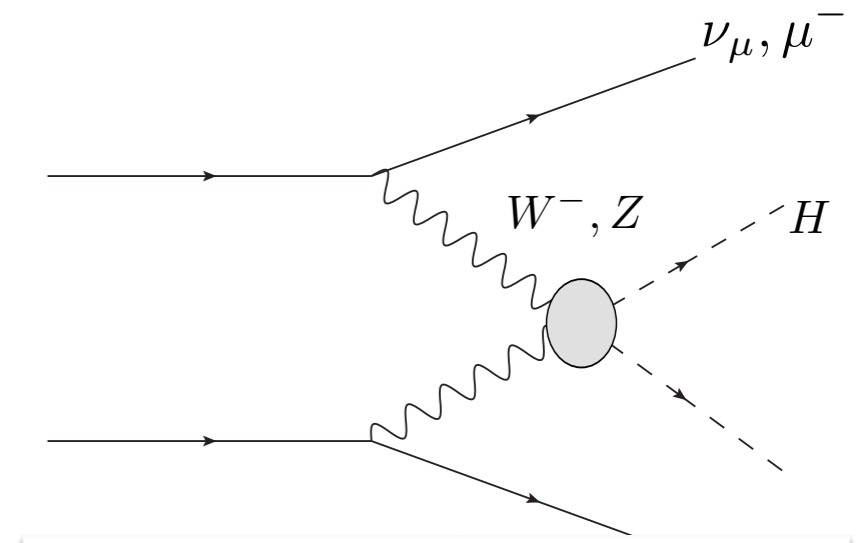
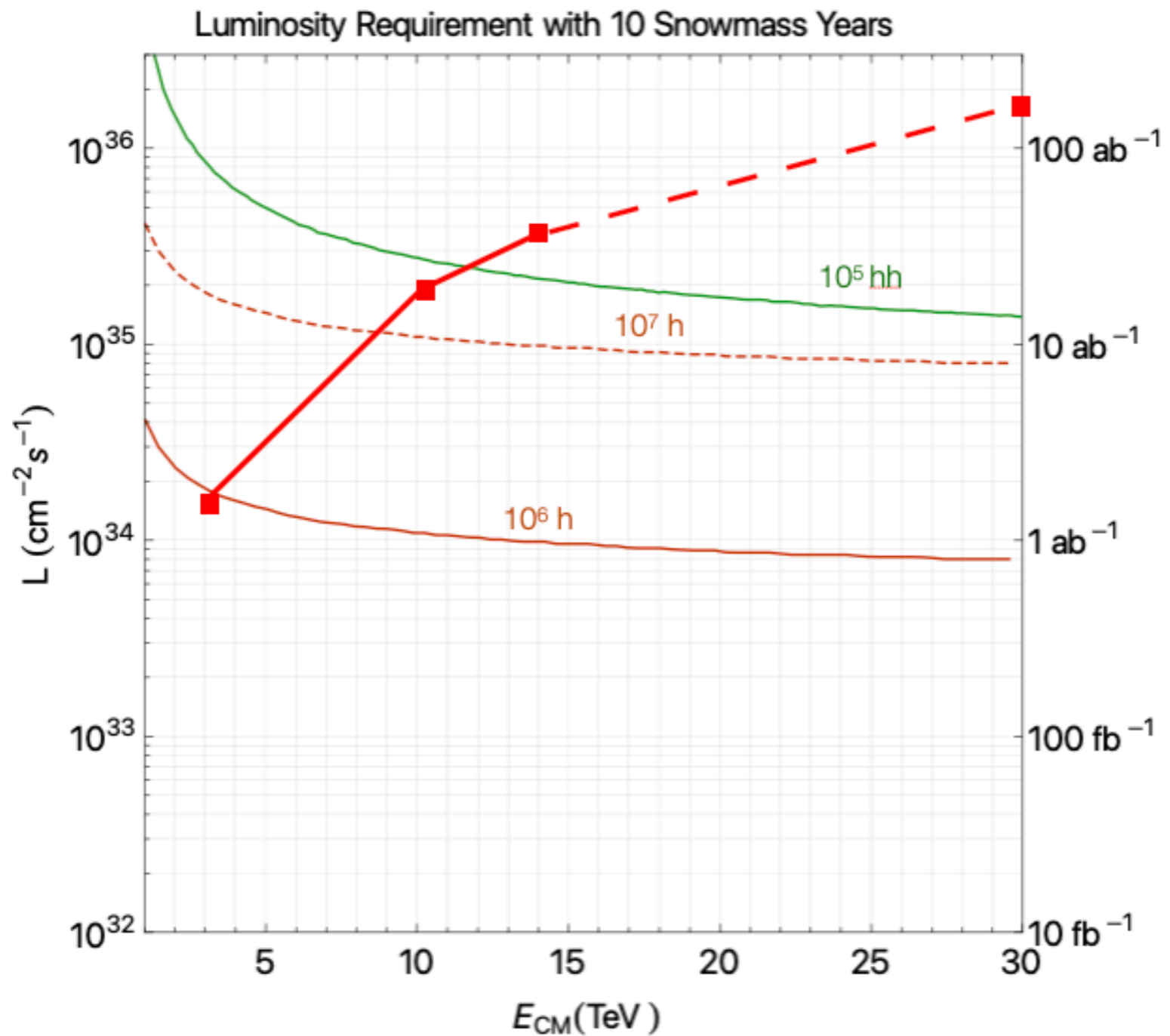


0.1% level or better measurement possible at higher energies.

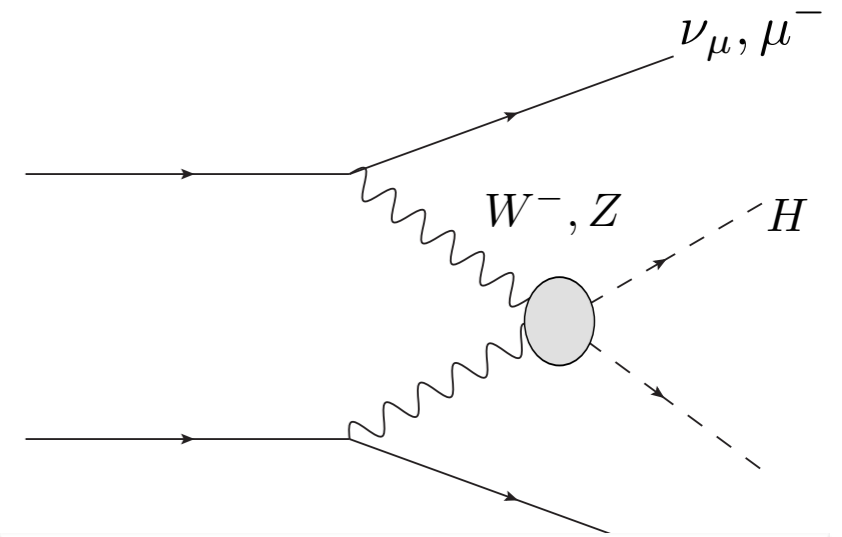
A factor of 10 better than the HL-LHC

Comparable to e+e- Higgs factories

# Double Higgs



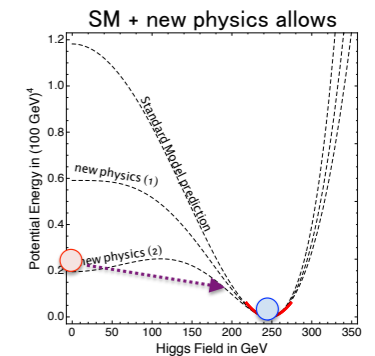
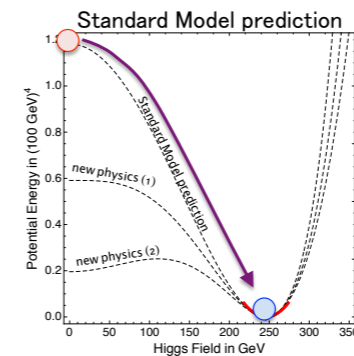
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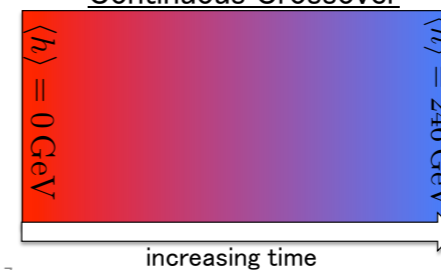
Crucial measurements  
such as the Higgs self-  
coupling.

# Nature of EW phase transition

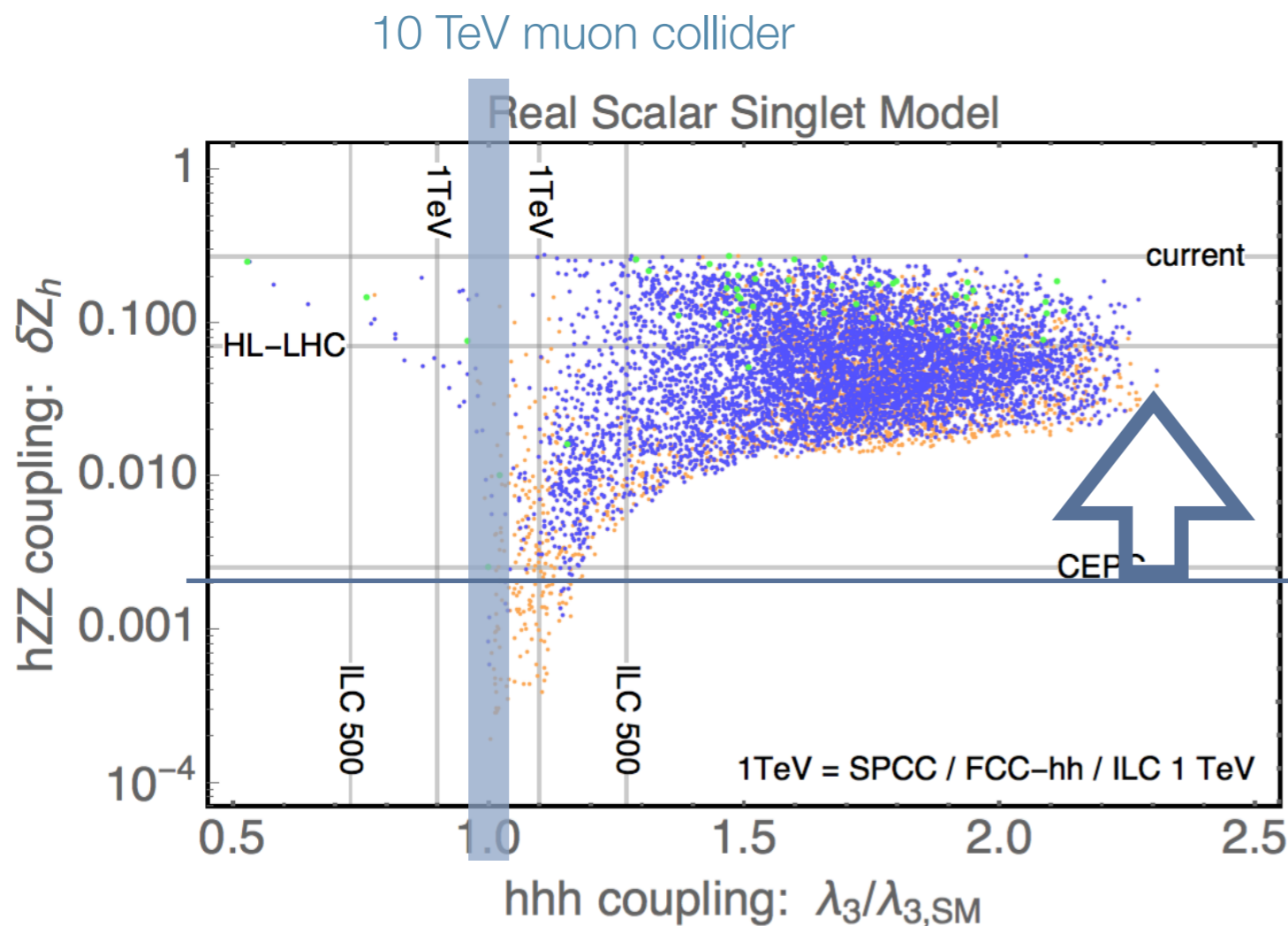
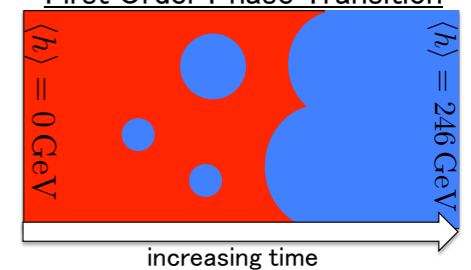
Which one is the right picture?



Continuous Crossover



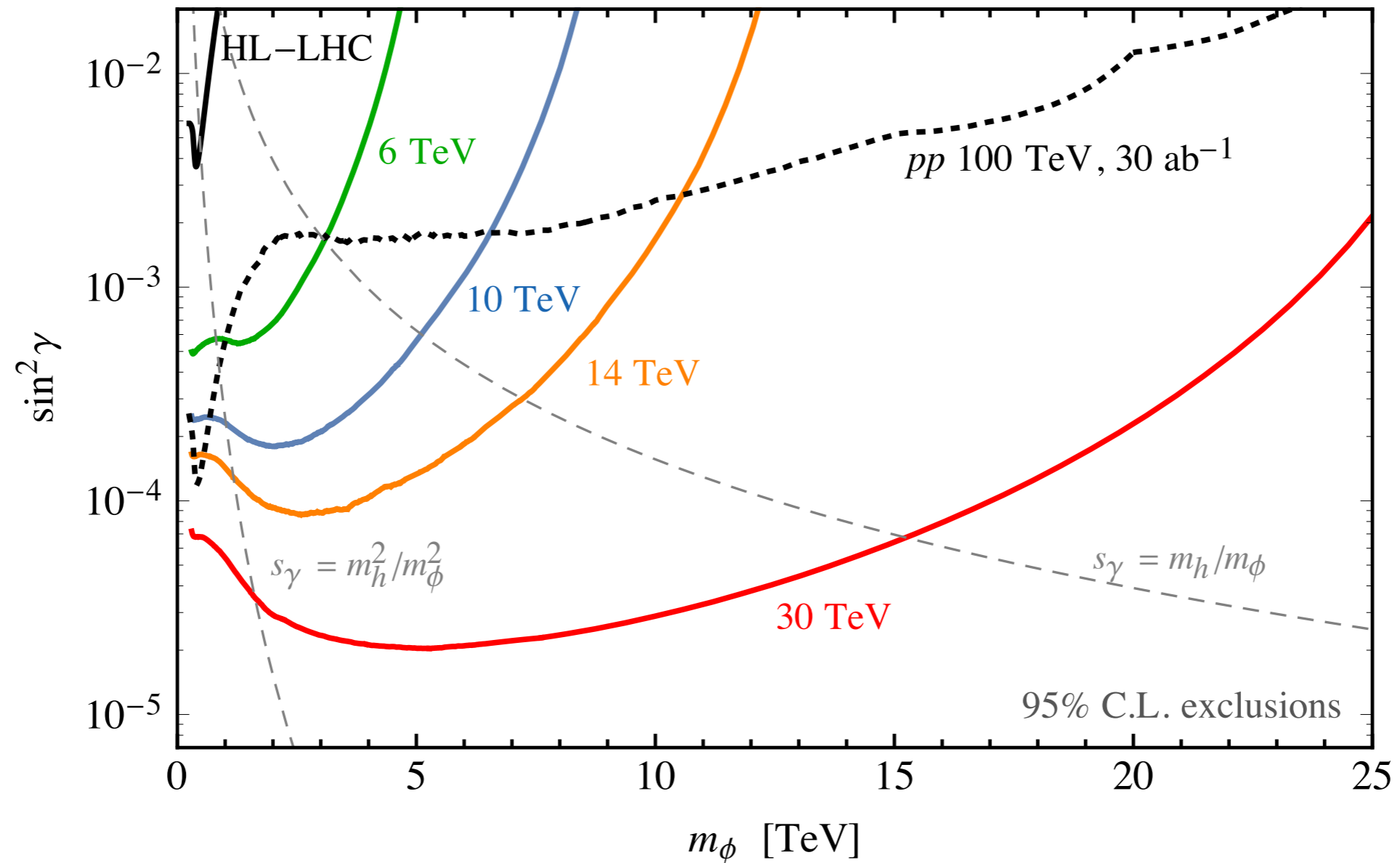
First Order Phase Transition



Precision Higgs measurements, self coupling and beyond, can reveal a lot.

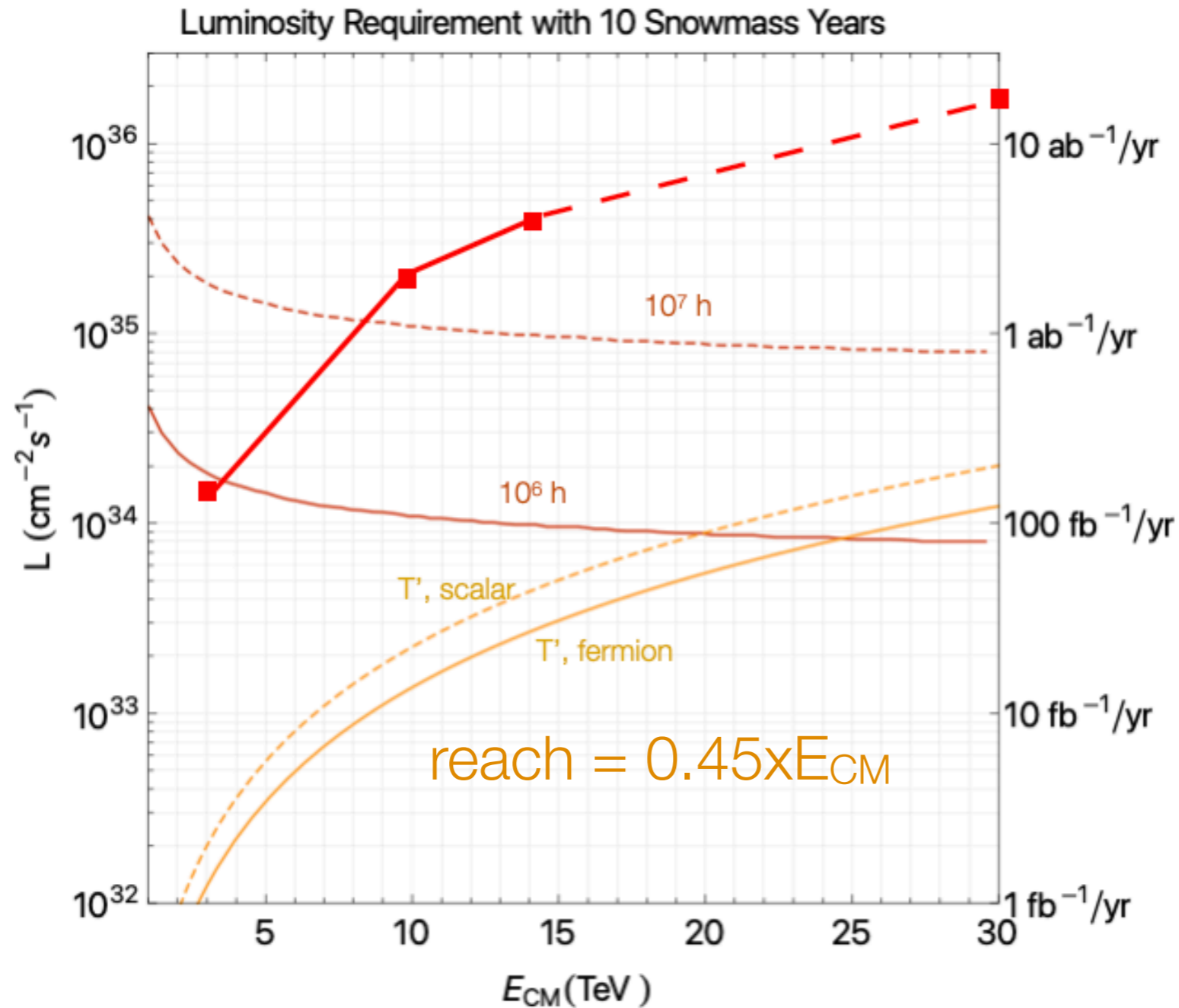
# Higgs's friends

D. Buttazzo, D. Redigolo, F. Sala, A. Tesi, 1807.04743



Singlet scalar mixing with the Higgs.

# Top partner



Pair production

$$\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow T' \tilde{T}'$$

Examples:  
 SUSY stop  
 Composite T

...

Spectacular signal, 10s event needed for discovery

# Energy $\Rightarrow$ precision

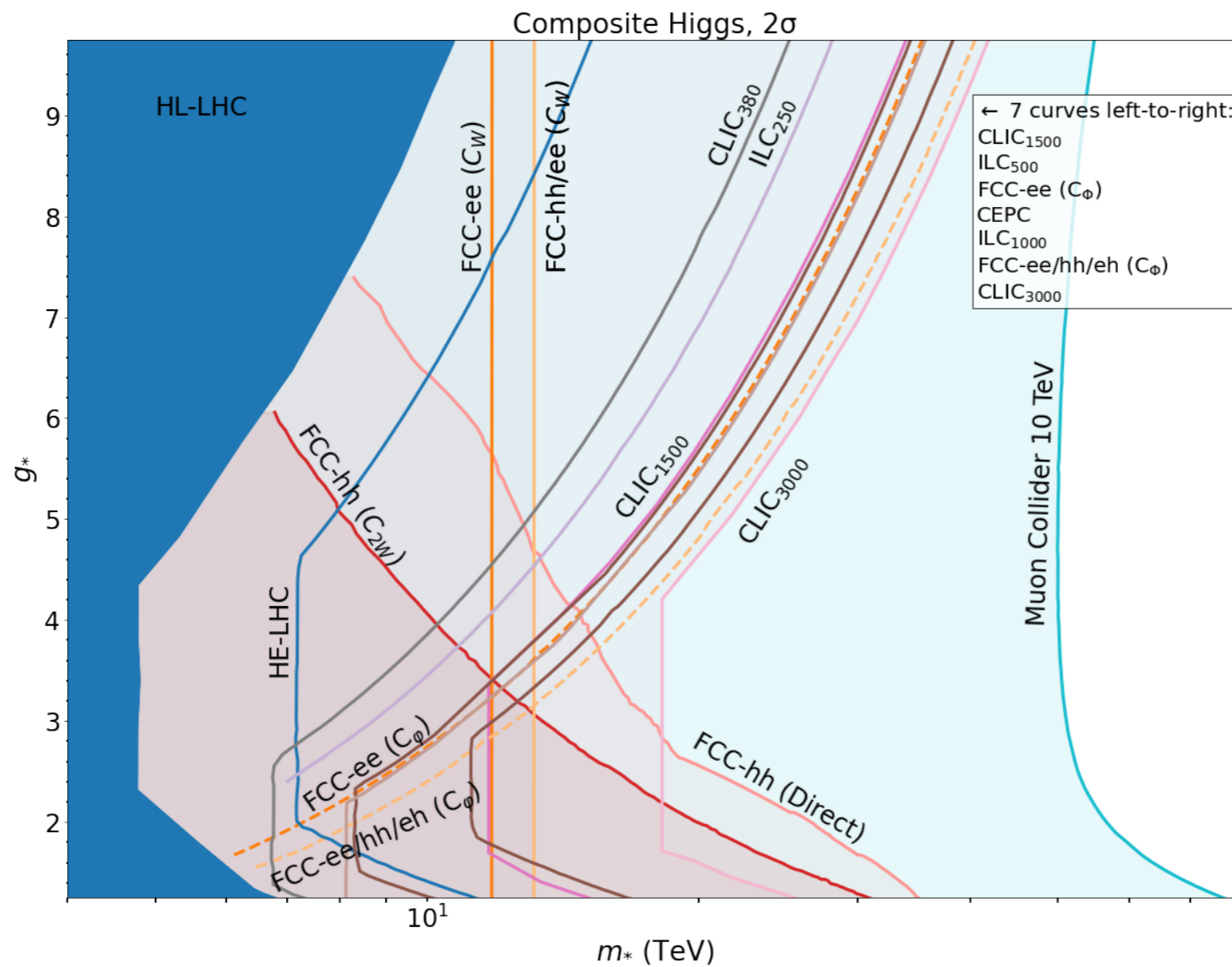
- \* The effect of heavy new physics can be parameterized by higher dimensional (EFT) operators.
- \* Their effect grows at higher energies.
  - \* e.g. if new physics lead to dim-6 operators

$$\frac{\mathcal{O}^{(6)}}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2} \rightarrow d\sigma \propto E^2$$

Higher energy  $\Rightarrow$  better precision

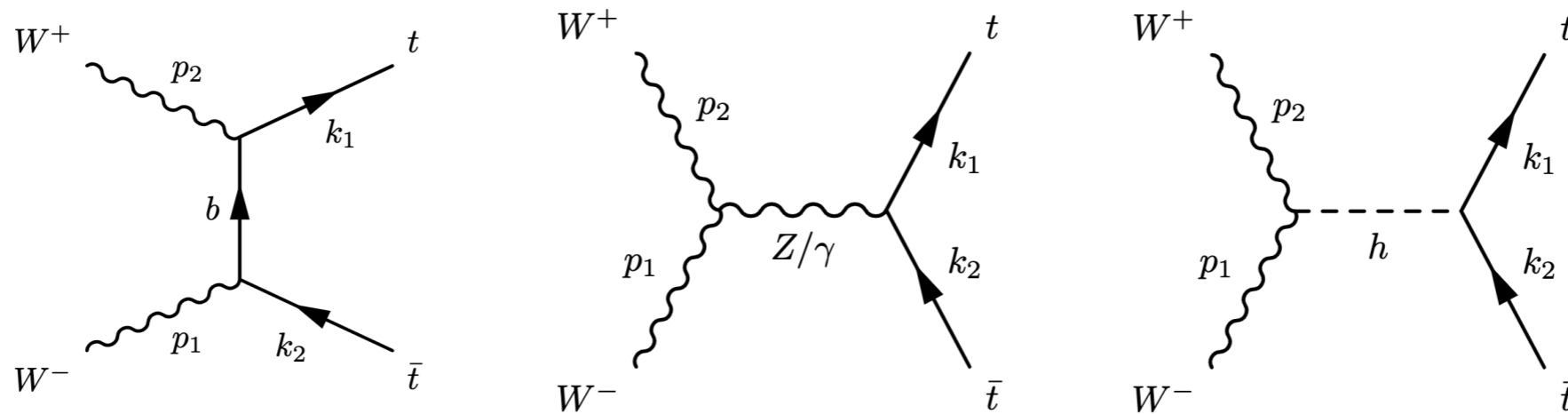


# Composite Higgs



$$\frac{c_\phi}{\Lambda^2} \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu (\phi^\dagger \phi) \partial^\mu (\phi^\dagger \phi)$$

# Top quark - Higgs coupling



Largest Higgs coupling.

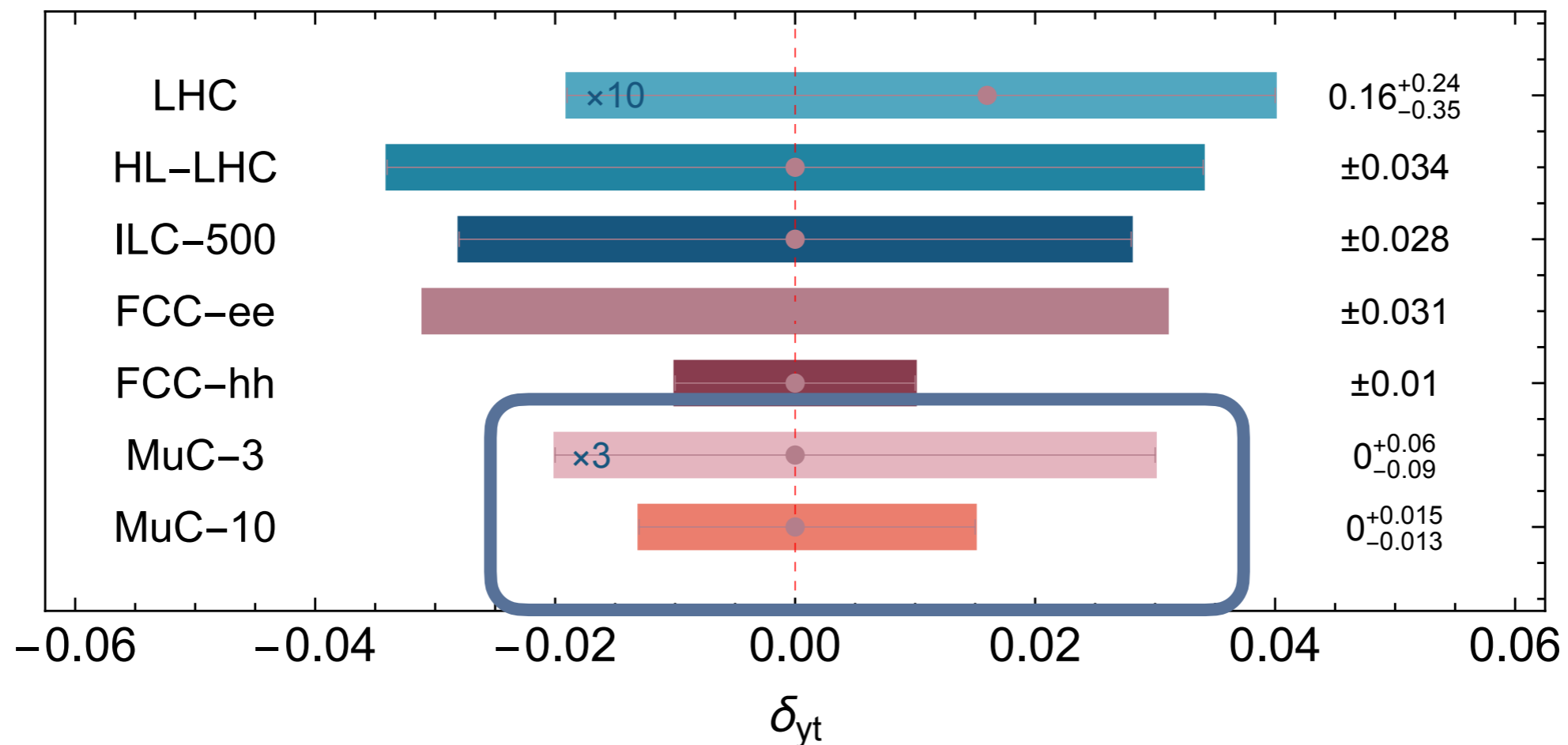
Plays an important role in weak scale dynamics. Sensitive to new physics.

$$\text{e.g. NP effect} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} H^\dagger H H Q t \rightarrow \mathcal{M} \propto E$$

Larger effect at high energies!

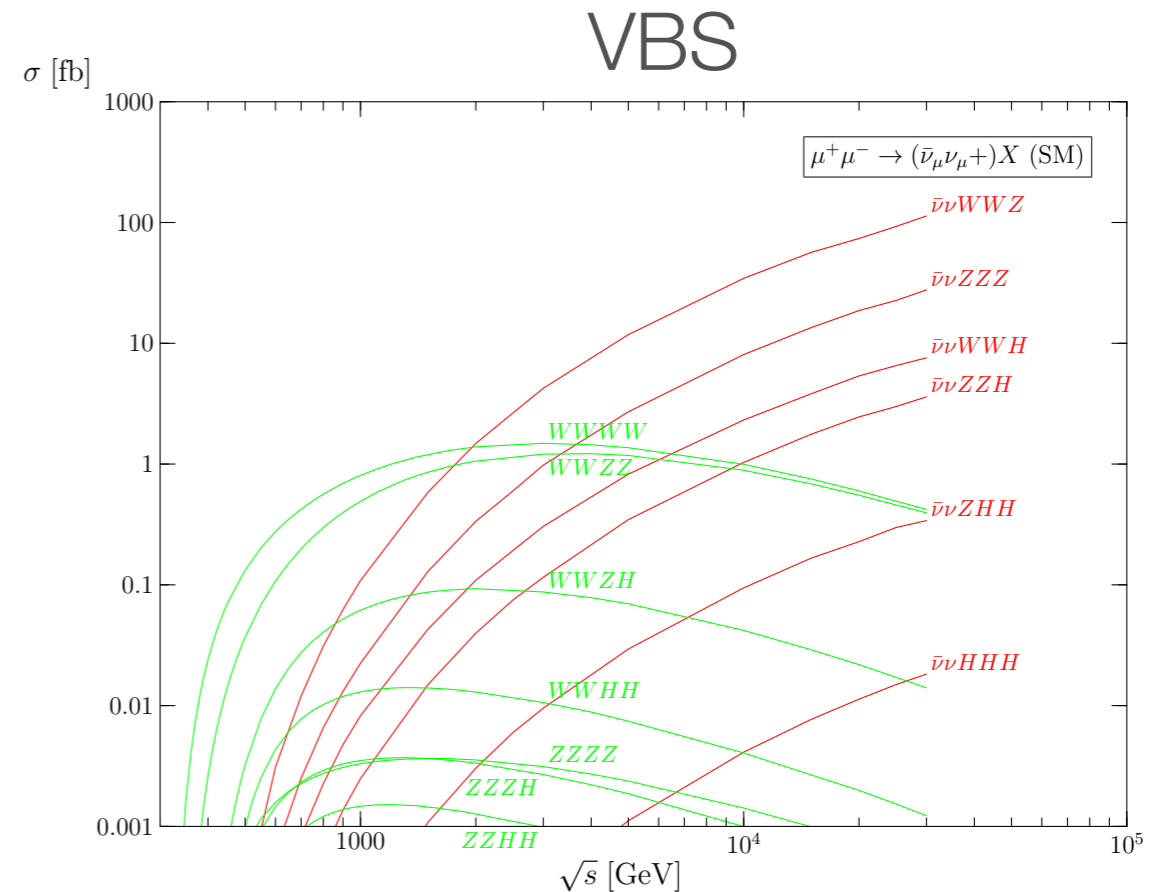
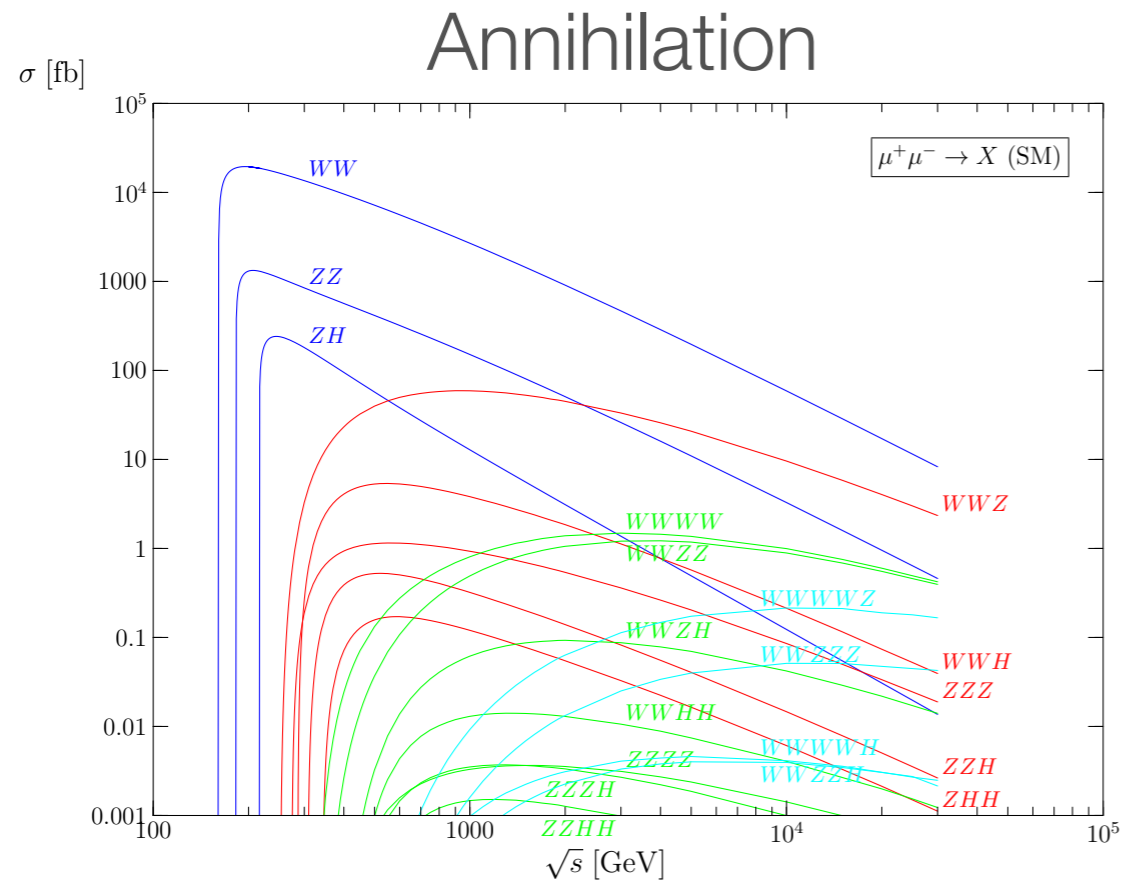
# Top quark - Higgs coupling

Z. Liu, K-F Lyu, I. Mahbube, LTW 2308.06323



Higher energies at muon collider lead to better precision.

# Multi-boson production



From W. Kilian, PittPACC workshop on muon Collider, 2020  
 Calculation: WHIZARD ( $\Rightarrow$  from CLICdp studies, cf. CERN YR / arXiv:1812.02093.)

W, Z, h "massless".

Can be sensitive to higher order NP effects.

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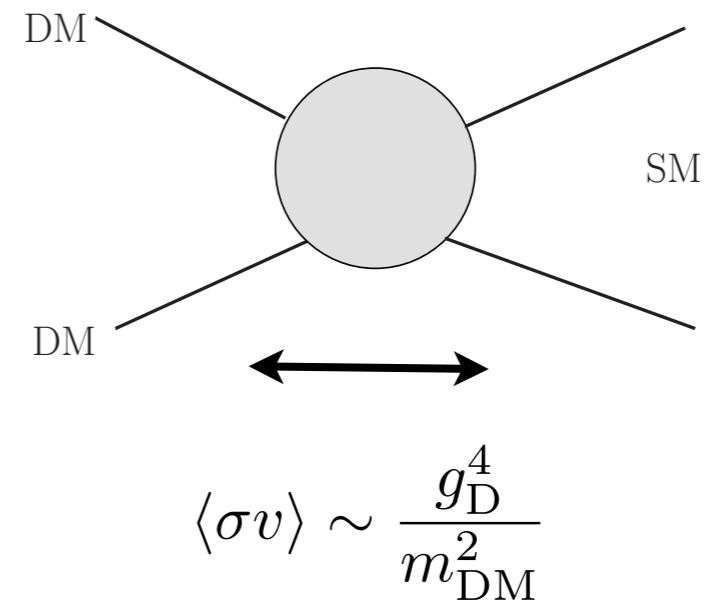
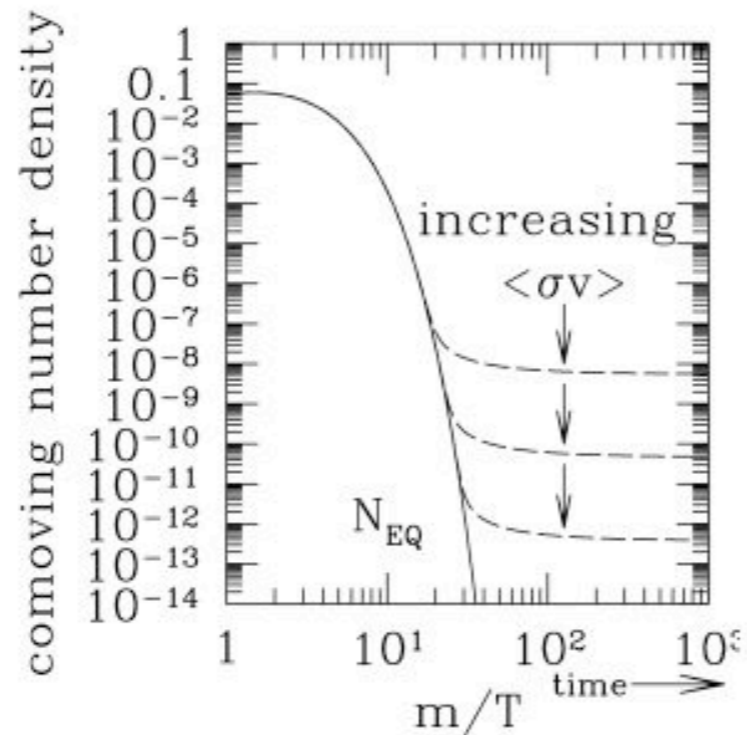
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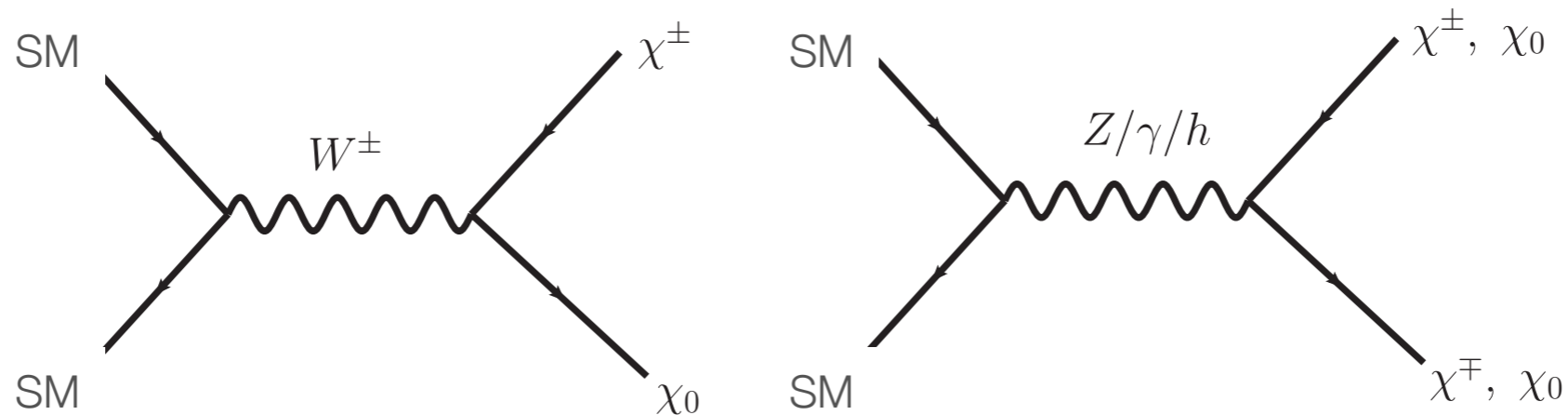
# WIMP:



- \* Simple assumption: DM in thermal eq. with the SM in early universe

# Simplest model: part of an EW multiplet

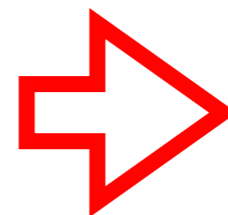
“Minimal dark matter”, Cirelli, Fornengo and Strumia, hep-ph/0512090, 0903.3381



- \* Simplicity: there is no additional new mediator.
- \* Mediated by  $W/Z/h$ . Very predictive.
- \* In SUSY, there are two such examples
  - \* Higgsino: doublet. Wino: triplet.

# Thermal targets

Model (color, $n$ , $Y$ )		Therm. target
(1,2,1/2)	Dirac	1.1 TeV
(1,3,0)	Majorana	2.8 TeV
(1,3, $\epsilon$ )	Dirac	2.0 TeV
(1,5,0)	Majorana	14 TeV
(1,5, $\epsilon$ )	Dirac	6.6 TeV
(1,7,0)	Majorana	48.8 TeV
(1,7, $\epsilon$ )	Dirac	16 TeV



Correct relic abundance  
 $\Rightarrow$  Thermal targets

Reach up to thermal target

$\approx$

complete coverage for WIMP candidate

Way beyond LHC reach.

Mitridate, Redi, Smirnov, Strumia, 1702.01141

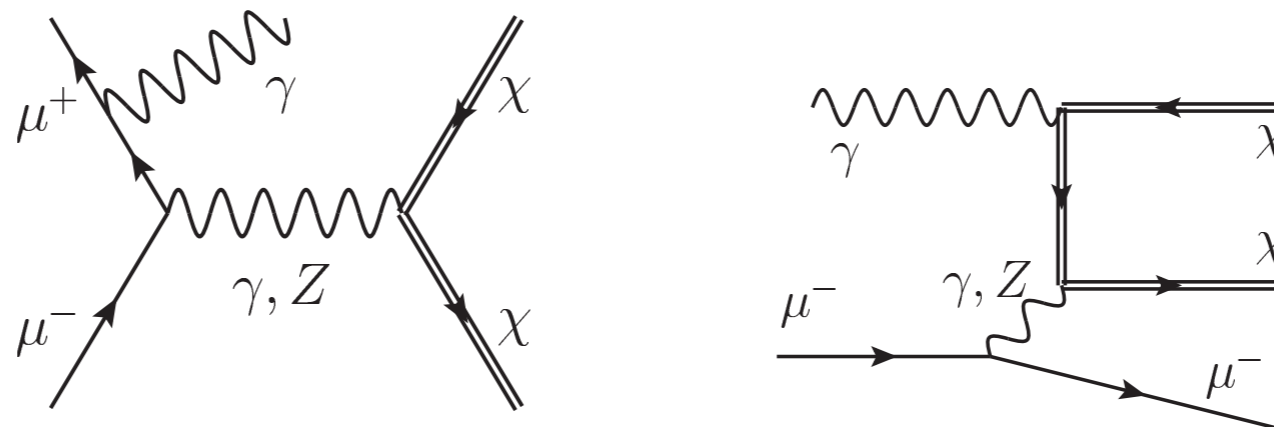
S. Bottaro, D. Buttazzo, M. Costa, R. Franceschini, P. Panci, D. Redigolo, L. Vittorio, 2107.09688



# Two classes of “direct” DM signals at colliders

- \* Production of dark matter particle.
- \* Inclusive search for  $X + \text{MET}$ 
  - \* similar to mono-jet at hadron colliders

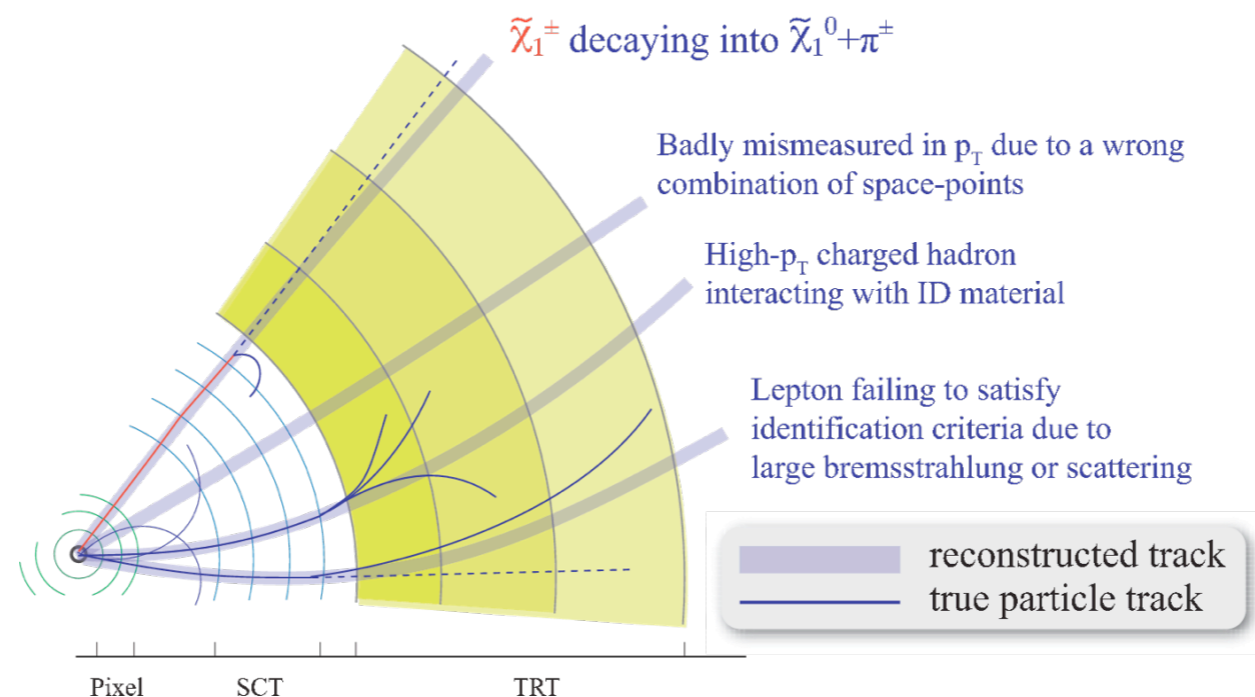
Examples:



Challenges: sizable background, systematics

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- \* Small EW induced mass splitting, charged member long-lived.
- \* Disappearing track



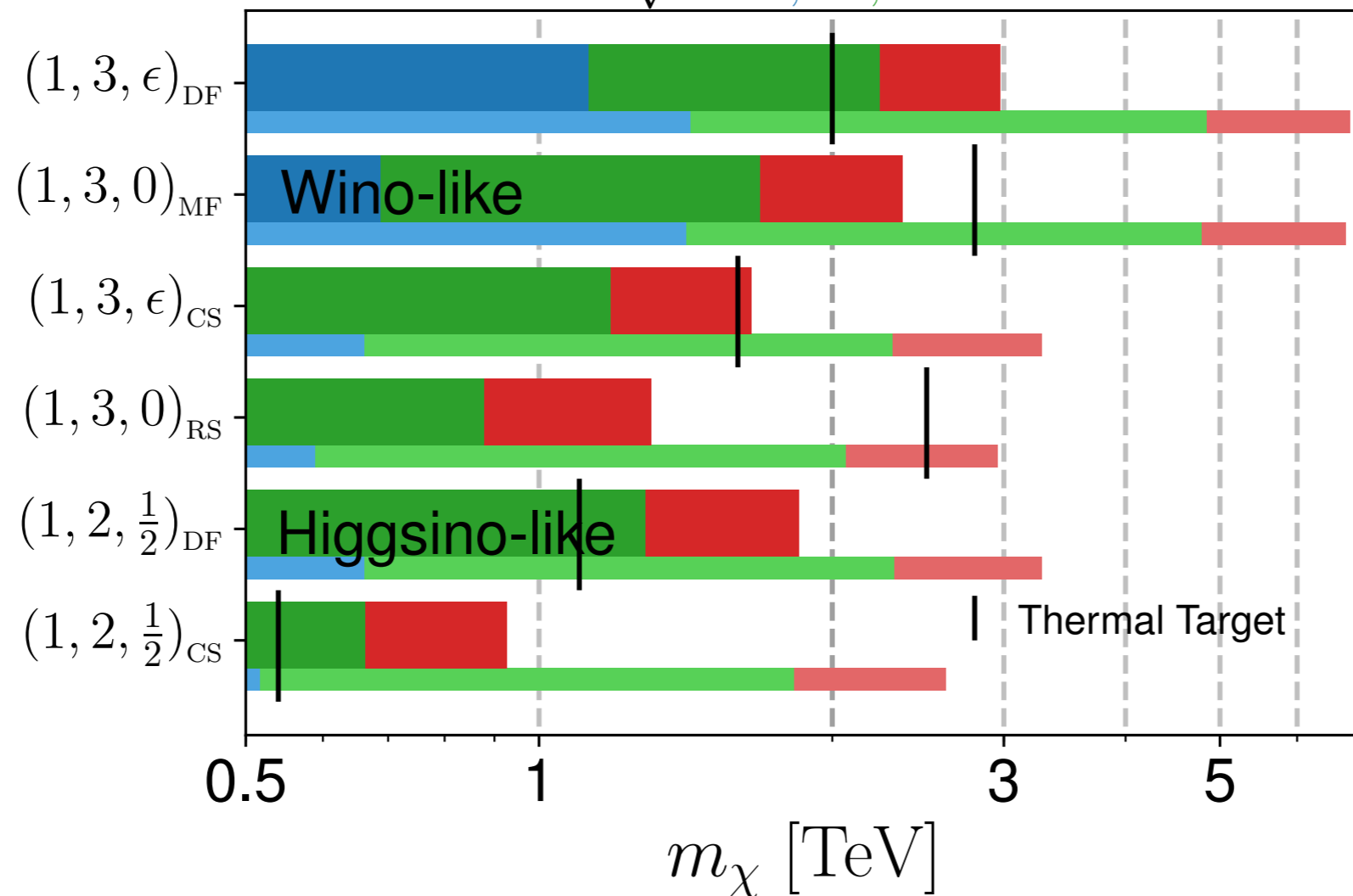
Challenge: detector need to be close, beam induced background

# WIMP reach

T. Han, Z. Liu, X. Wang, LTW, 2009.11287, 2203.07351

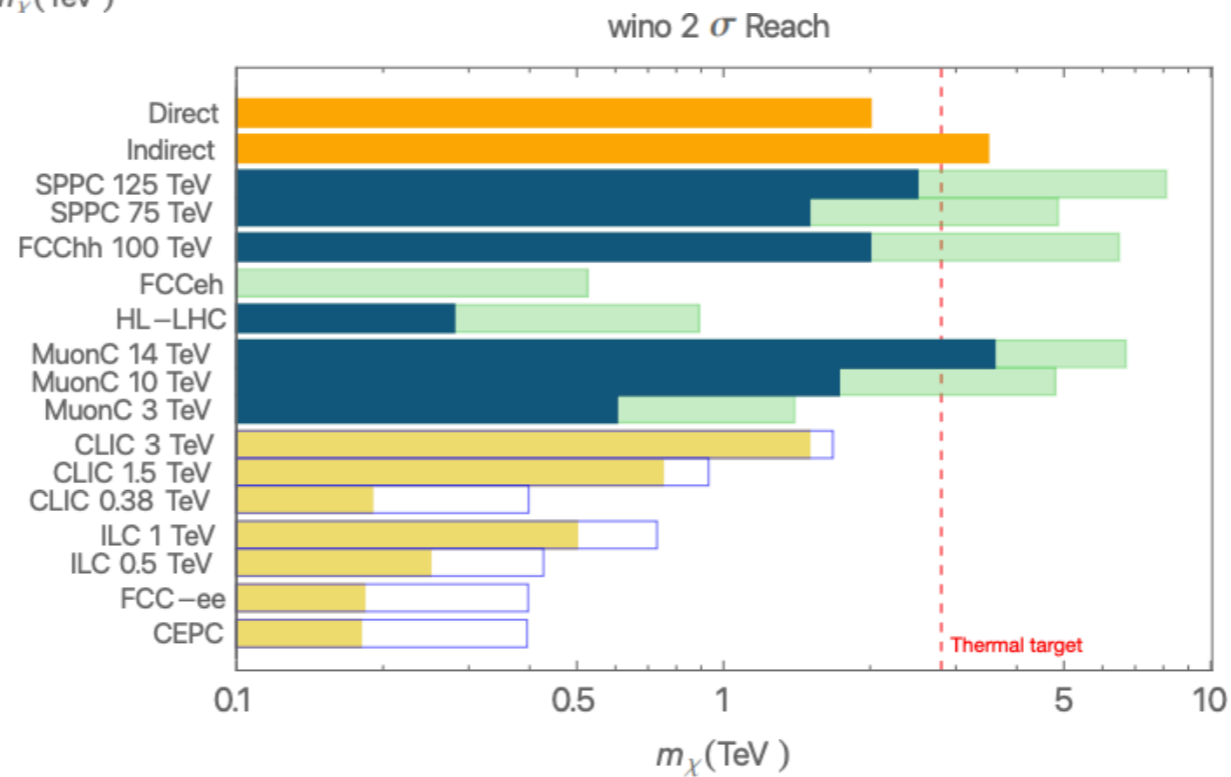
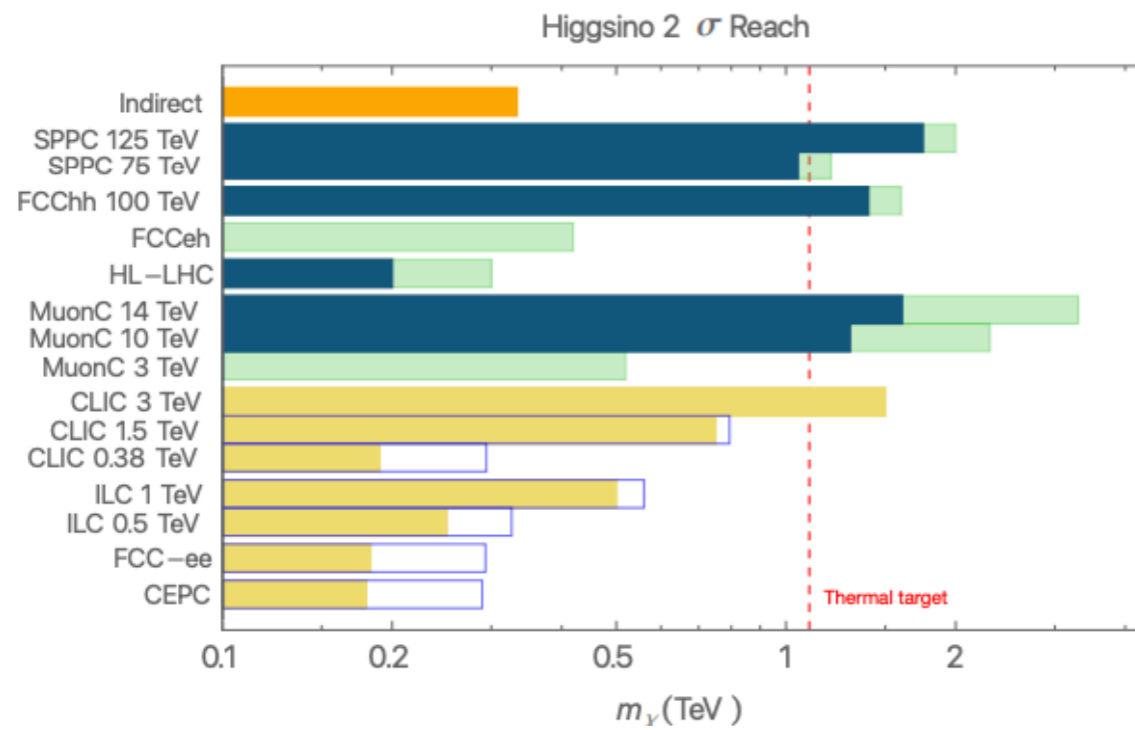
## Electroweak DM $2\sigma$ reach

$\sqrt{s} = 3, 10, 14$  TeV



High energy muon collider can play a decisive role in probing WIMP dark matter!

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# Flavor (CP)

- \* What is the scale of new flavor/CP physics?
- \* Flavor (CP) measurements have consistently pushed this to be (far) beyond weak scale.
  - \* e. g. Lepton flavor violation
  - \* e. g. EDM
- \* High energy muon colliders offers new windows to probe them.

# Lepton flavor violation

Exp limit:  $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow 3e) < 10^{-12}$

Constraint:  $\frac{c}{\Lambda^2}(e\Gamma\mu)(e\Gamma e), \quad \Lambda > 2 \times 10^2 \text{ TeV}$

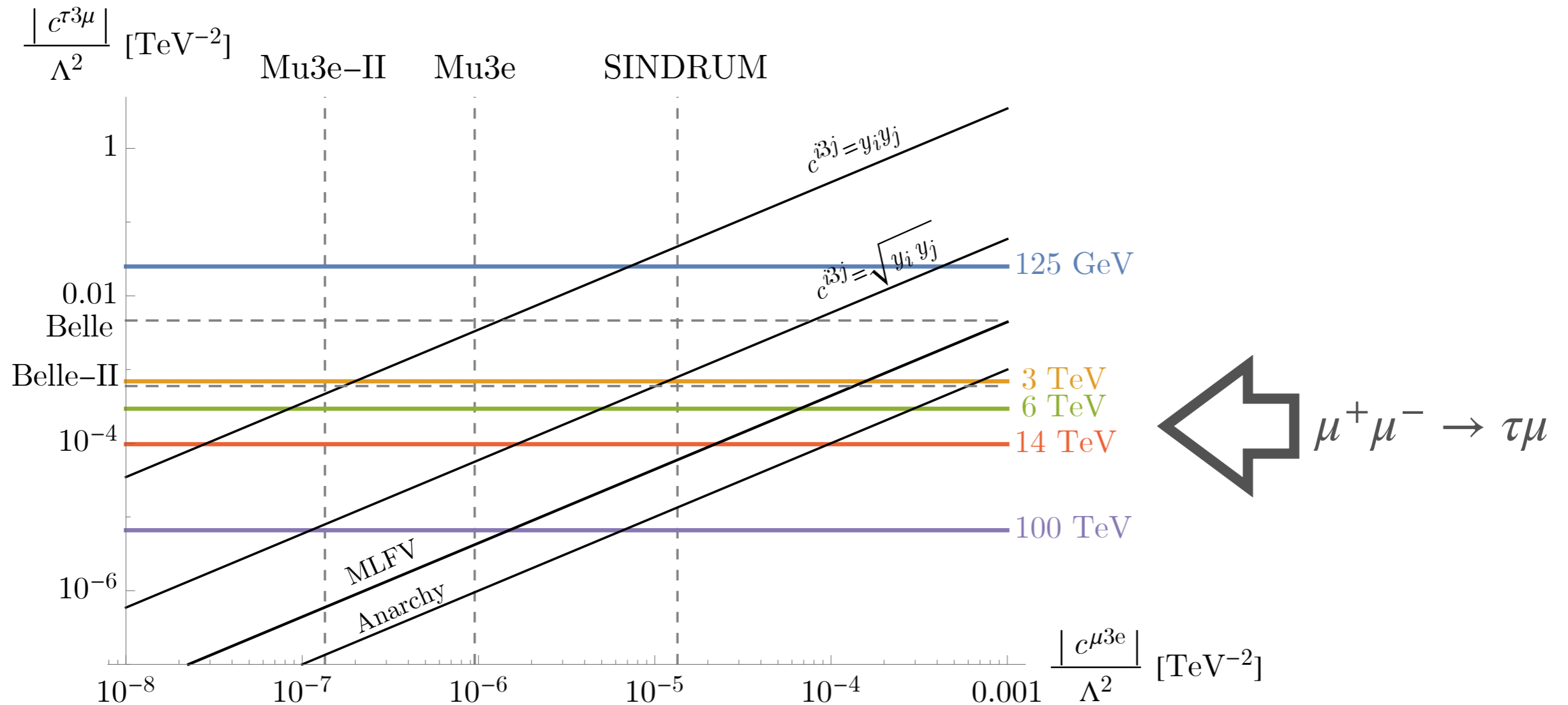
Exp limit:  $\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow 3\mu) < 2.1 \times 10^{-8}$

Constraint:  $\frac{c}{\Lambda^2}(\mu\Gamma\tau)(\mu\Gamma\mu), \quad \Lambda > 10 \text{ TeV}$

Direct probe at muon colliders:  $\mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \ell_i\ell_j$

# Probing lepton flavor violation

S. Homiller, Q. Lu, M. Reece, 2203.08825, Smasher's guide





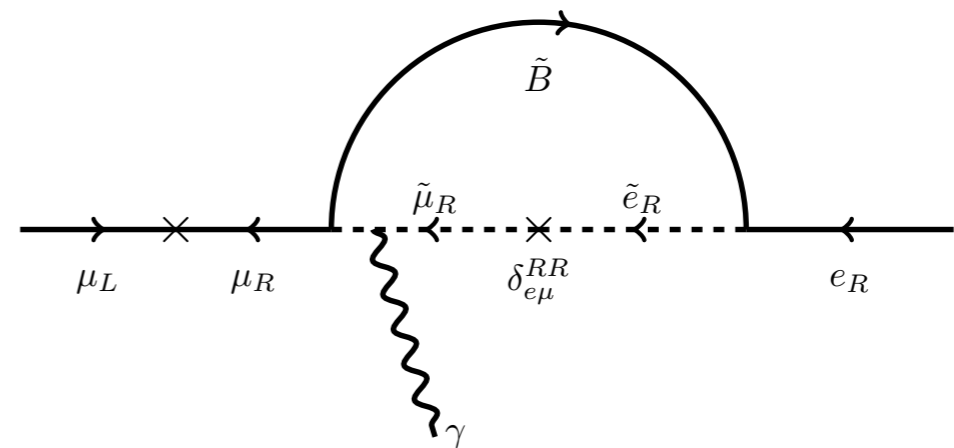
# LFV at loop order

- \* At loop order, the NP masses is lower.
  - \* Opportunity to search for it directly at muon collider.

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- \* Supersymmetry.
- \* Slepton flavor violation.

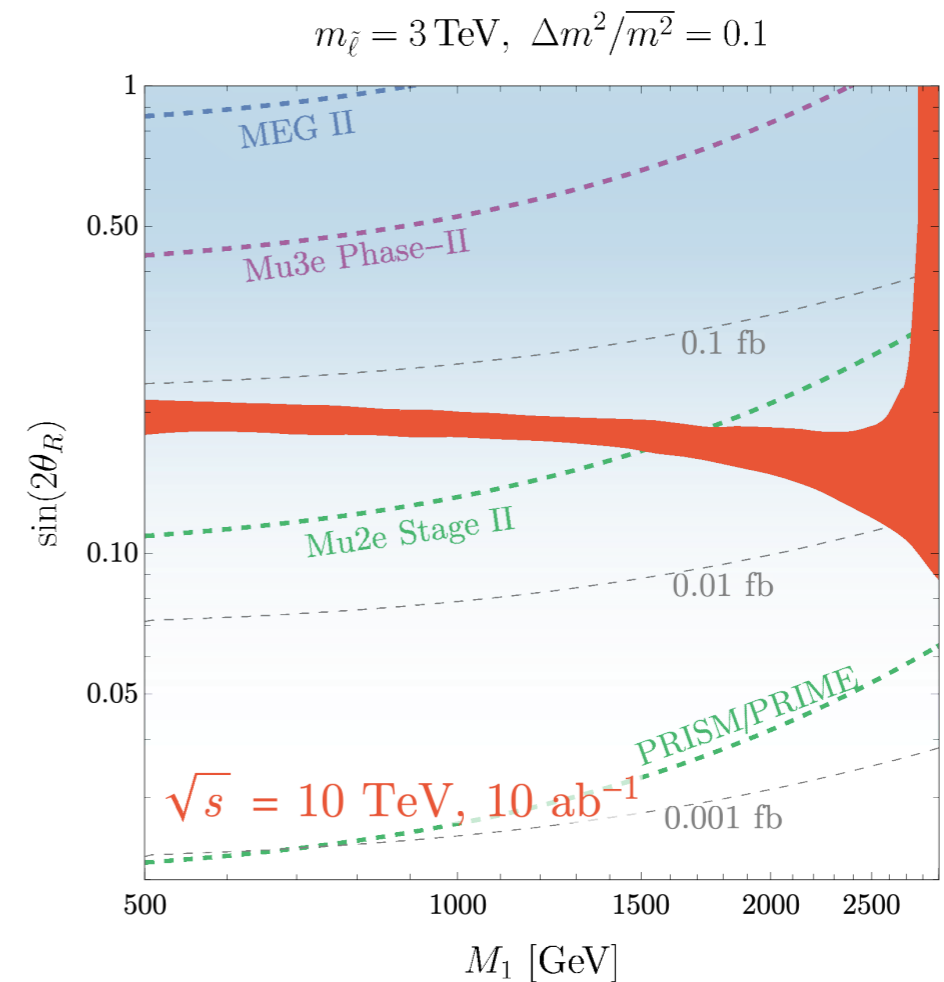
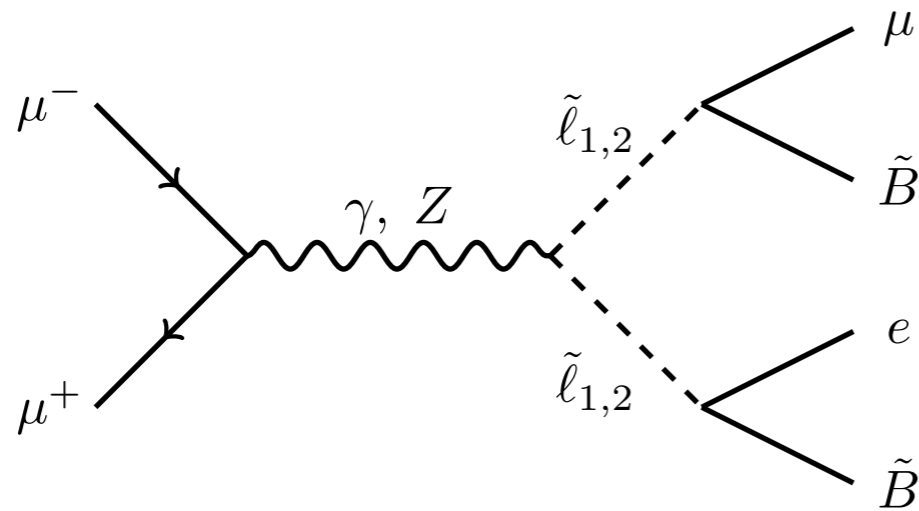
$$\begin{pmatrix} m_R^2 + \Delta_{ee}^{RR} & \Delta_{e\mu}^{RR} \\ (\Delta_{e\mu}^{RR})^* & m_R^2 + \Delta_{\mu\mu}^{RR} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 4.2 \times 10^{-13} \rightarrow m_{\text{SUSY}} > \text{TeV}$$

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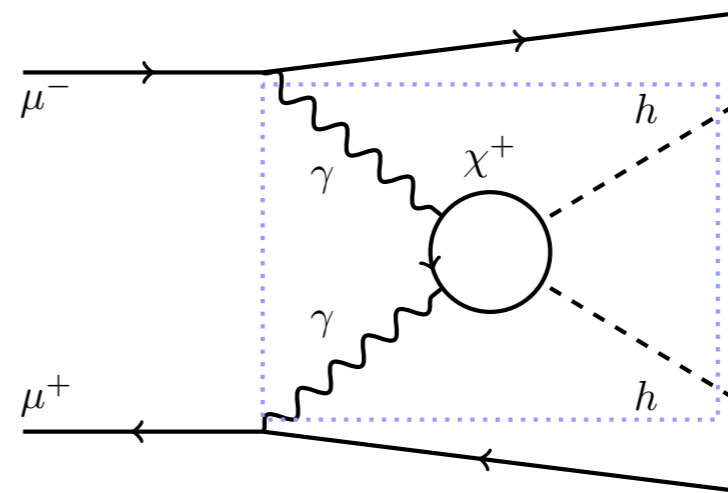
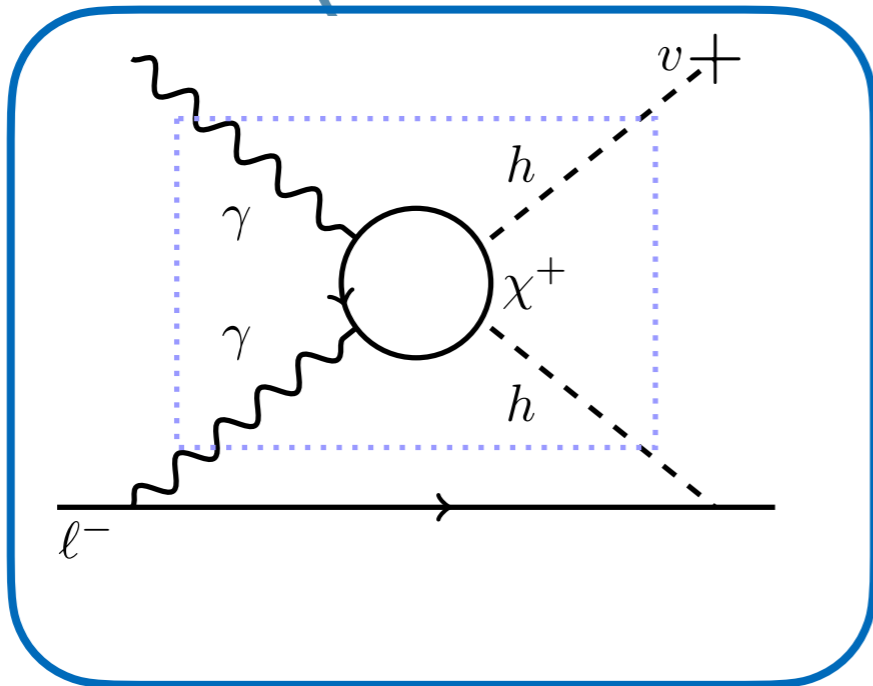
At muon collider



S. Homiller, Q. Lu, M. Reece, 2203.08825

10 TeV muon collider can have interesting reaches.  
Complementary to low energy measurement.

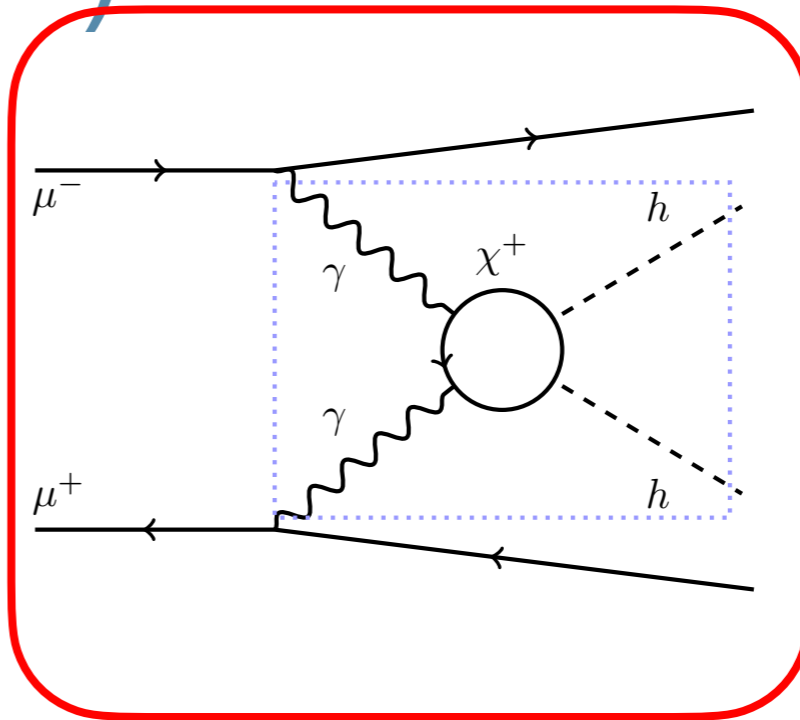
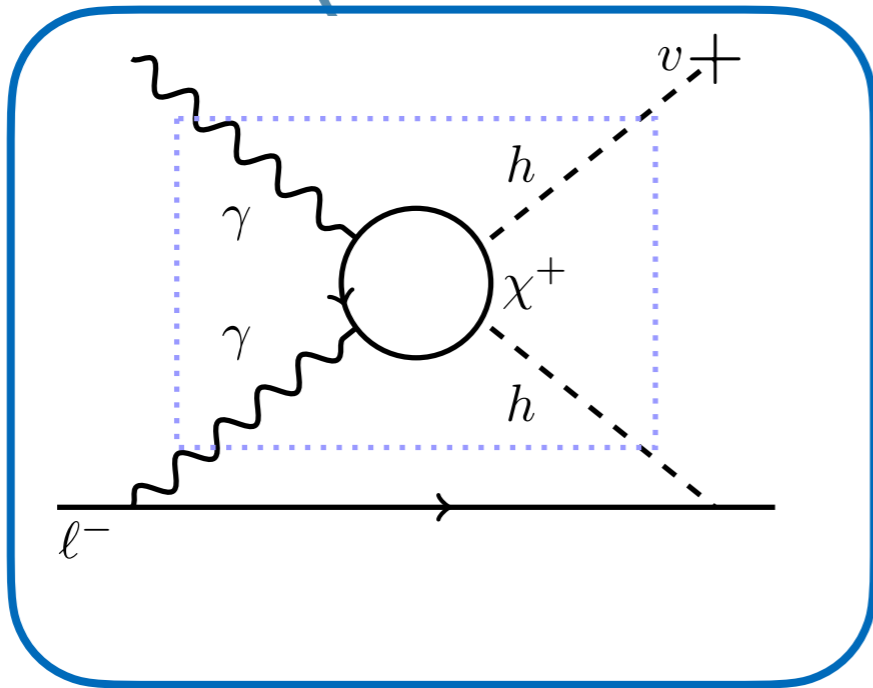
# EDM (Barr-Zee)



$$d_e \sim \sin(\delta_{\text{CP}}) \frac{e m_e}{M^2} \left( \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \right)^k \simeq 10^{-32} e \text{ cm} \sin(\delta_{\text{CP}}) \times \begin{cases} (1 \text{ PeV}/M)^2 & \text{for } k = 1 \\ (20 \text{ TeV}/M)^2 & \text{for } k = 2 \end{cases} \quad \text{2-loop Barr-Zee}$$

Potential sensitivity of next generation exp.

# EDM (Barr-Zee)



$$d_e \sim \sin(\delta_{\text{CP}}) \frac{e m_e}{M^2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{4\pi}\right)^k \simeq 10^{-32} e \text{ cm} \sin(\delta_{\text{CP}}) \times \begin{cases} (1 \text{ PeV}/M)^2 & \text{for } k = 1 \\ (20 \text{ TeV}/M)^2 & \text{for } k = 2 \end{cases} \quad \text{2-loop Barr-Zee}$$

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Same process probed by 10(s) TeV muon collider!

# Conclusion

- \* High energy muon collider holds promise of getting the next (10 TeV) high energy frontier.
- \* A lot of interesting physics to cover.
- \* My hope: we will do solid R&D in the coming decades to make it into a mature project.

# DM part of a EW multiplet

$$\text{DM} \in (1, n, Y) \text{ of } \text{SU}(3)_C \times \text{SU}(2)_L \times \text{U}(1)_Y$$

- \* **n odd. Fermionic.**
- \*  $n > 7$ , Landau pole close to  $M_{\text{DM}}$ .
- \* After EWSB, mass splitting (minimally) generated at 1-loop.
- \* Choose  $Y=0$ . Lightest member electric neutral. Potential DM candidate.

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- \* **n even. Fermionic**
- \* Choose  $Y=(n-1)/2$  ensures lightest member is neutral.
- \* Direct detection rules out the minimal case due to tree level Z exchange.
  - \* Can be avoided to introduce a small splitting,  $\delta m > 10^2$  keV, of the neutral states (for example, from a dim-5 operator). Not quite minimal (additional model dependence).
- \* Famous example: Higgsino  $(1,2)_{1/2}$



# DM part of a EW multiplet

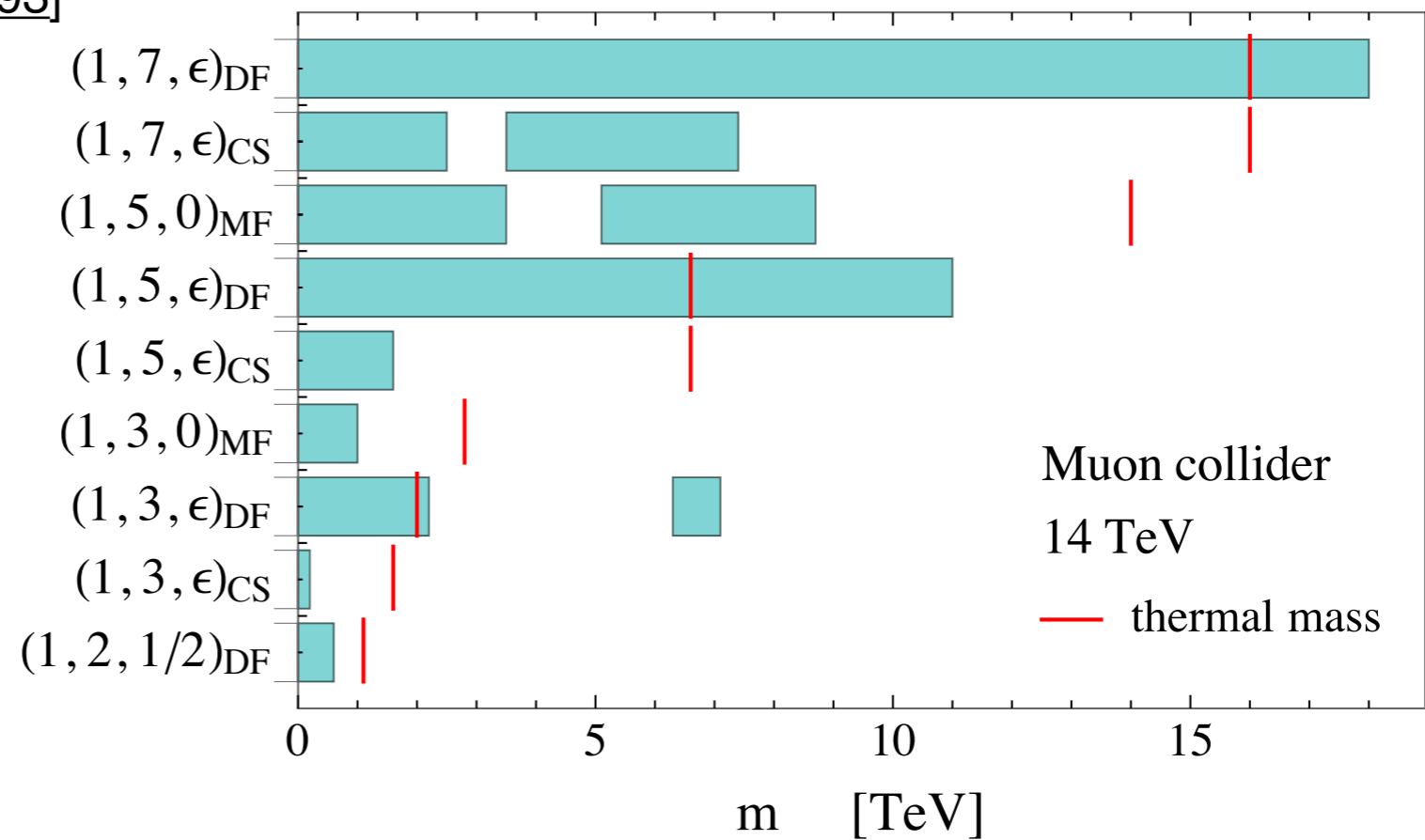
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- \* **Scalar (real and complex)**
  - \* Minimal case: mass splitting, stability discussion parallel to that of the fermionic multiplets.
  - \* Addition couplings of the form  $H^\dagger H X^\dagger X$ . More parameters involved in a full analysis.
- \* **More focus on the fermion case (so far).**

# “indirect”, from precision measurement

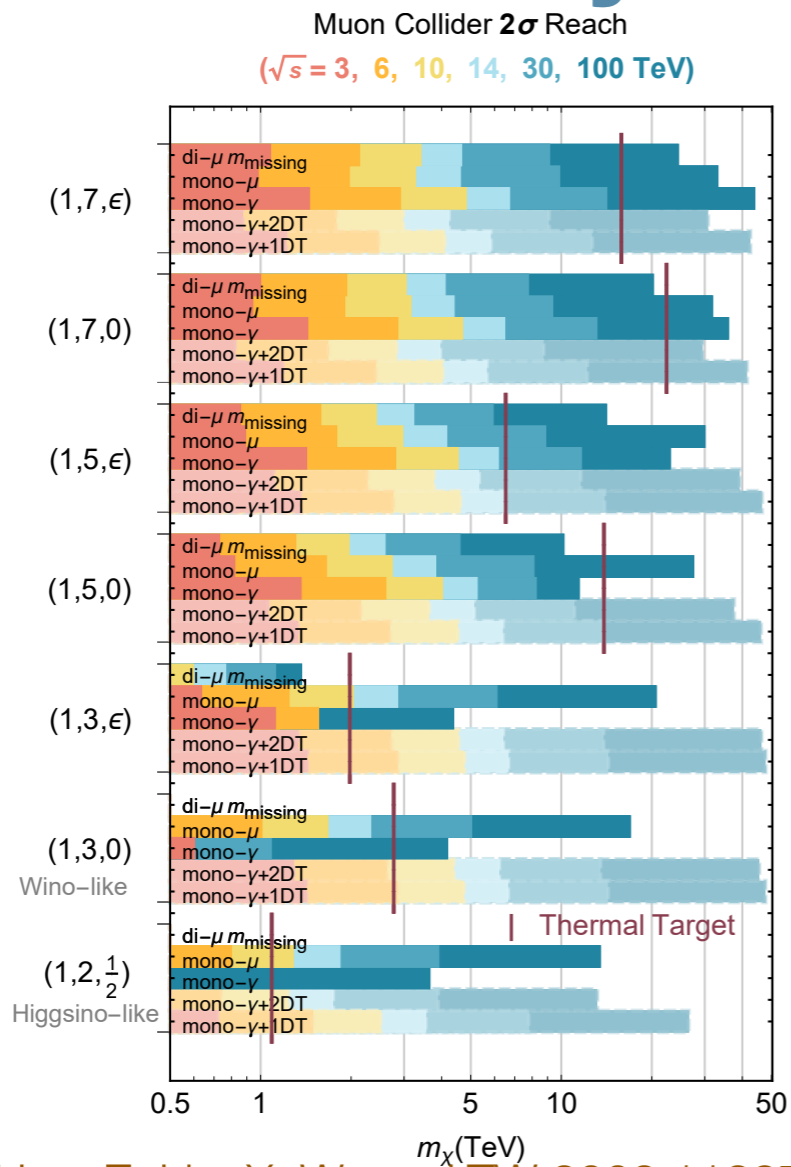
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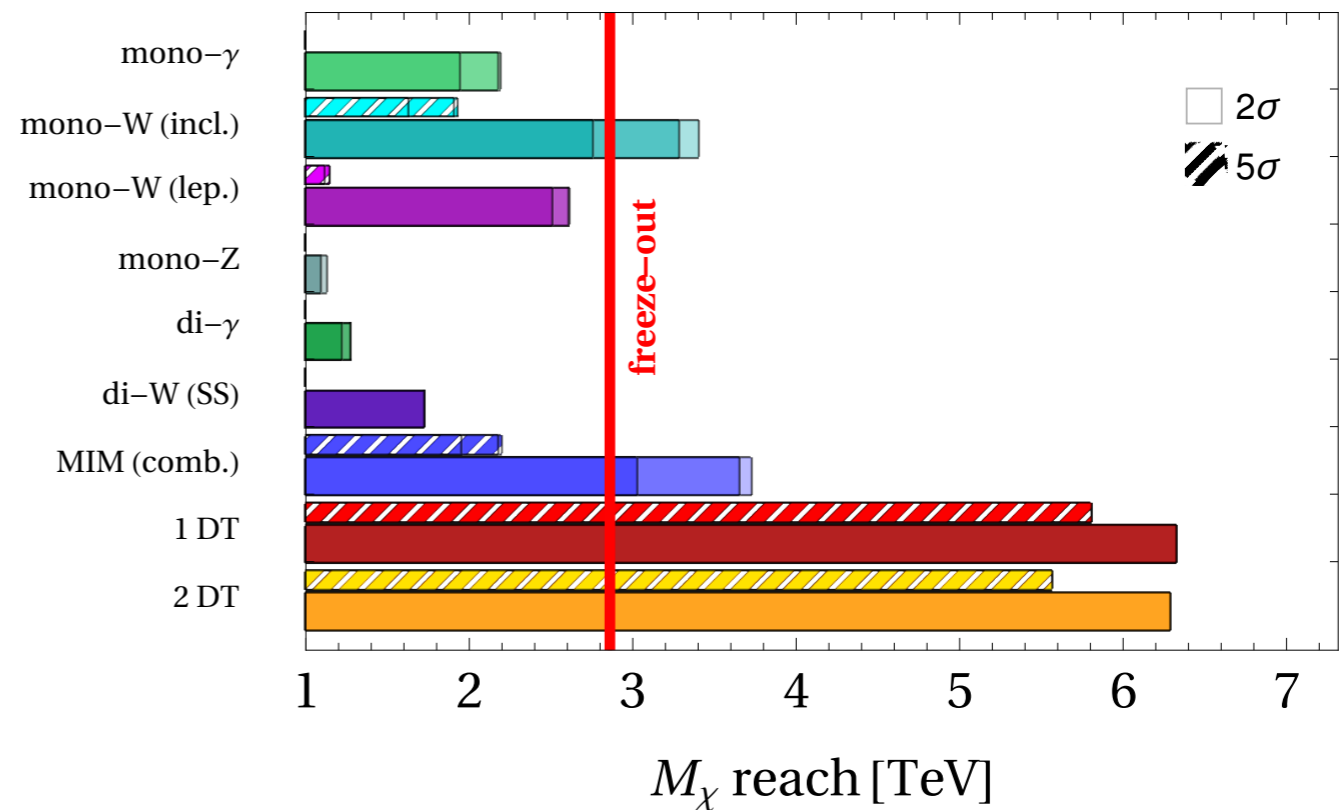
At loop level, modifying the  $q\bar{q}$  ( or  $\ell^+\ell^-$  )  $\rightarrow f\bar{f}$  amplitude

# Reach by channel



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$\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}, \mathcal{L} = 20 \text{ ab}^{-1}, \text{Majorana 3-plet}$

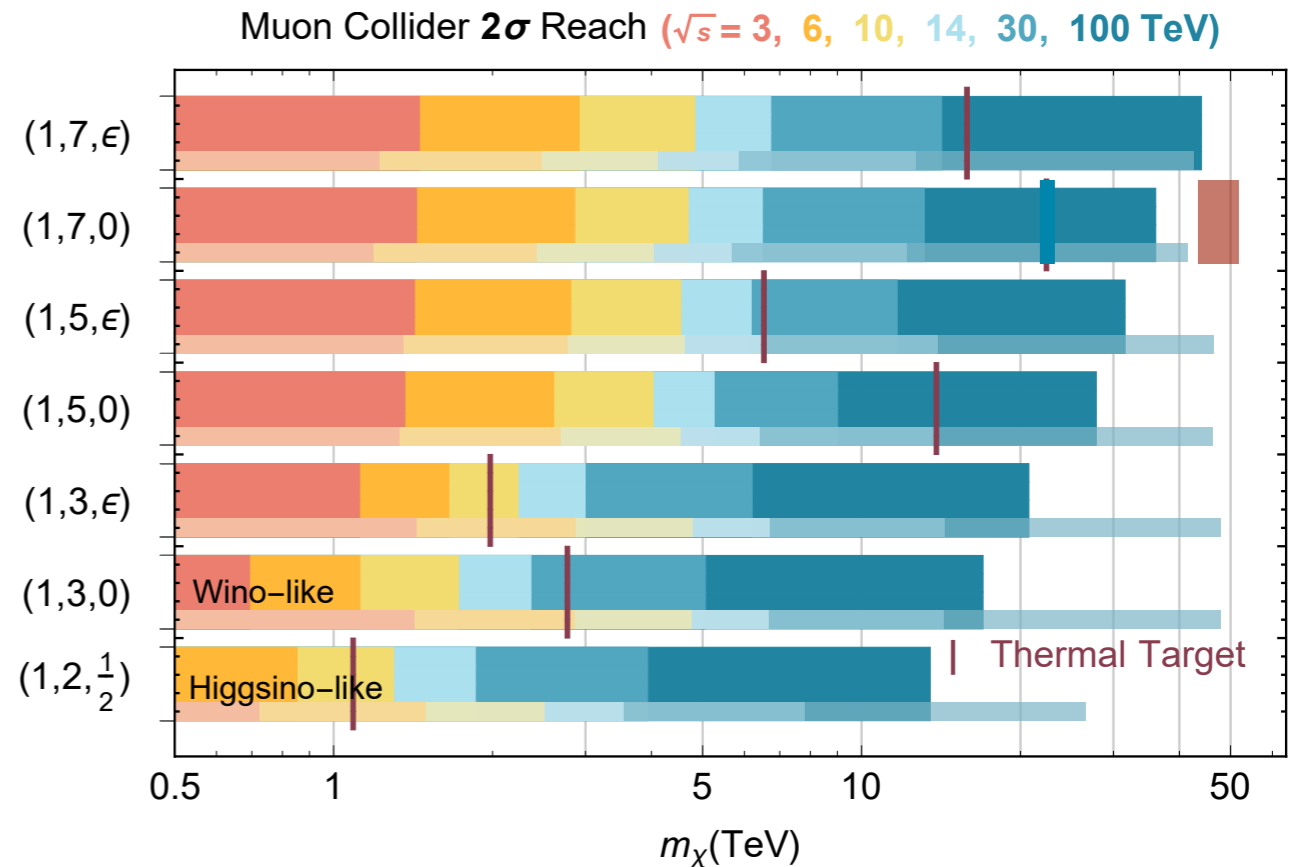
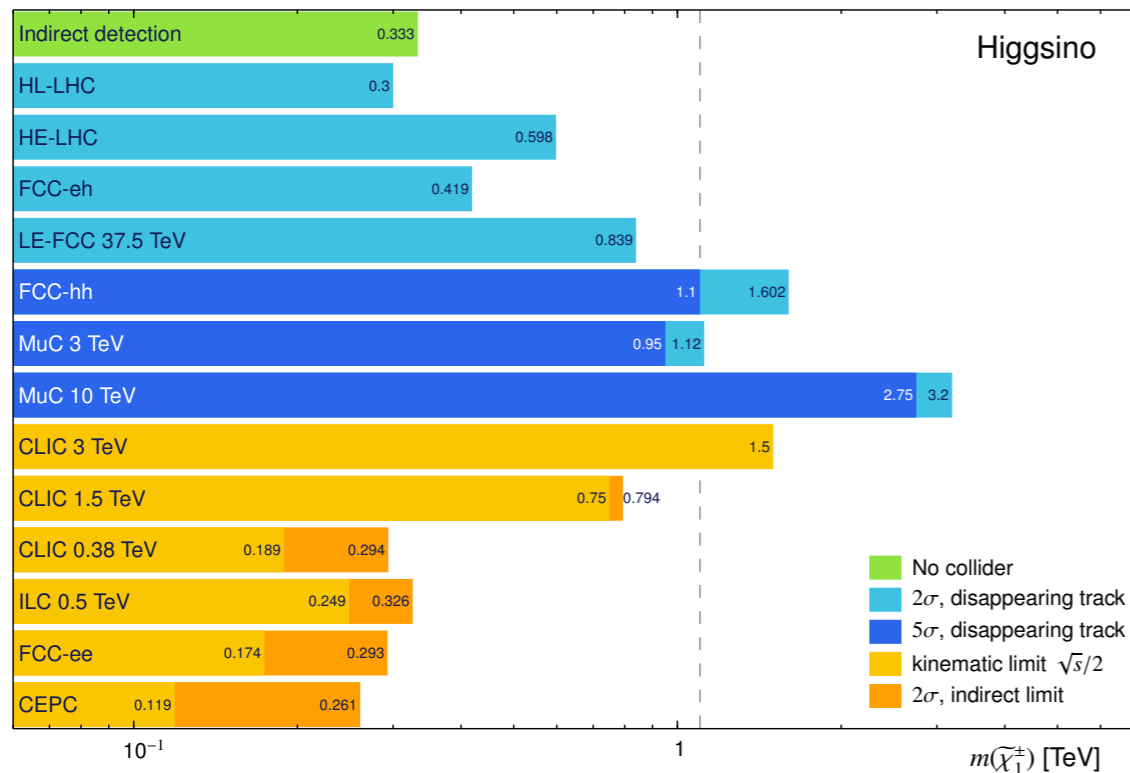


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mono-X, more generic model independent. Interesting channels: muon-mu, mono-W.

Disappearing track. Some model dependence. Important to have the right BIB estimates.

# Reach



R. Capdevilla F. Meloni, J. Zurita, 2102.11292

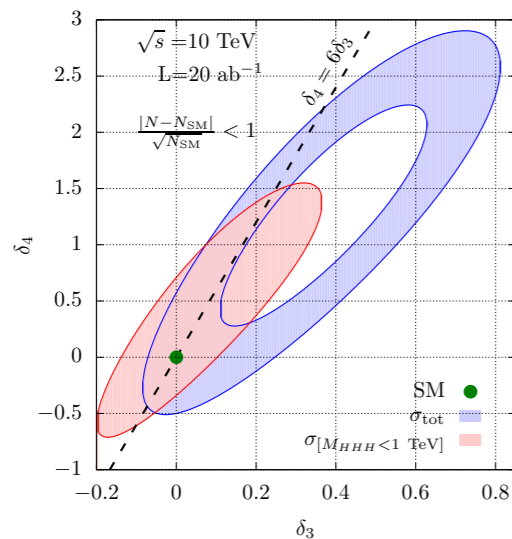
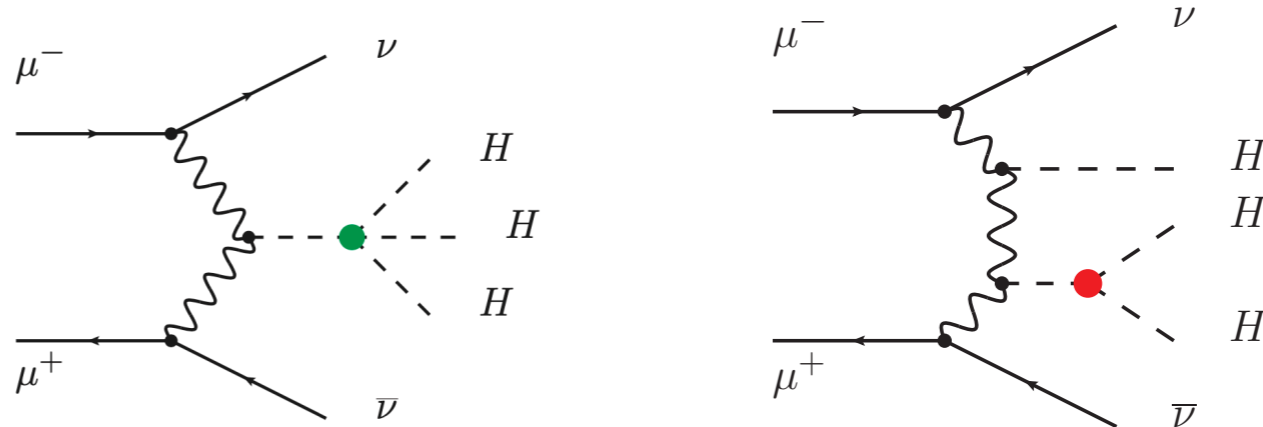
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With inclusive signal:  $E_{CM} \approx 14$  TeV enough to cover  $n \leq 3$  multiplets.  
 Higher energy needed to cover higher multiplets.

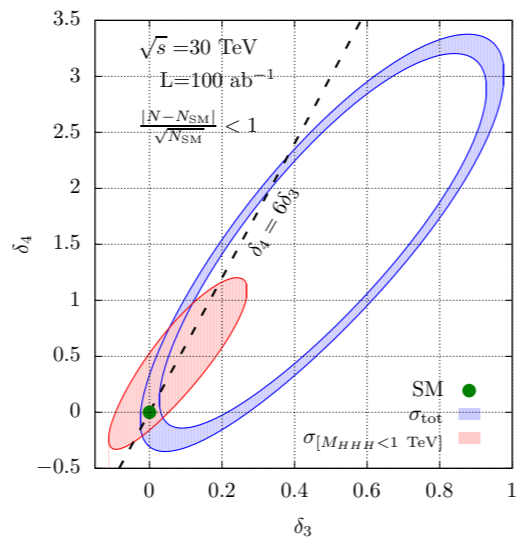
If we have disappearing track: potential to reach almost  $m_\chi \approx 1/2 E_{CM}$

# Higgs quartic coupling

3 Higgs final state



10 TeV  $\delta_4 \sim [-0.4, 0.7]$



30 TeV  $\delta_4 \sim [-0.2, 0.5]$

$$\frac{S}{\sqrt{B}} = \frac{|\mathcal{L} \cdot (\sigma - \sigma_{SM})|}{\sqrt{\mathcal{L} \cdot \sigma_{SM}}} \leq 1$$

Other colliders: ILC  $\sim [-10, 10]$   
 CLIC  $\sim [-5, 5]$   
 FCC  $\sim [-2, 4]$

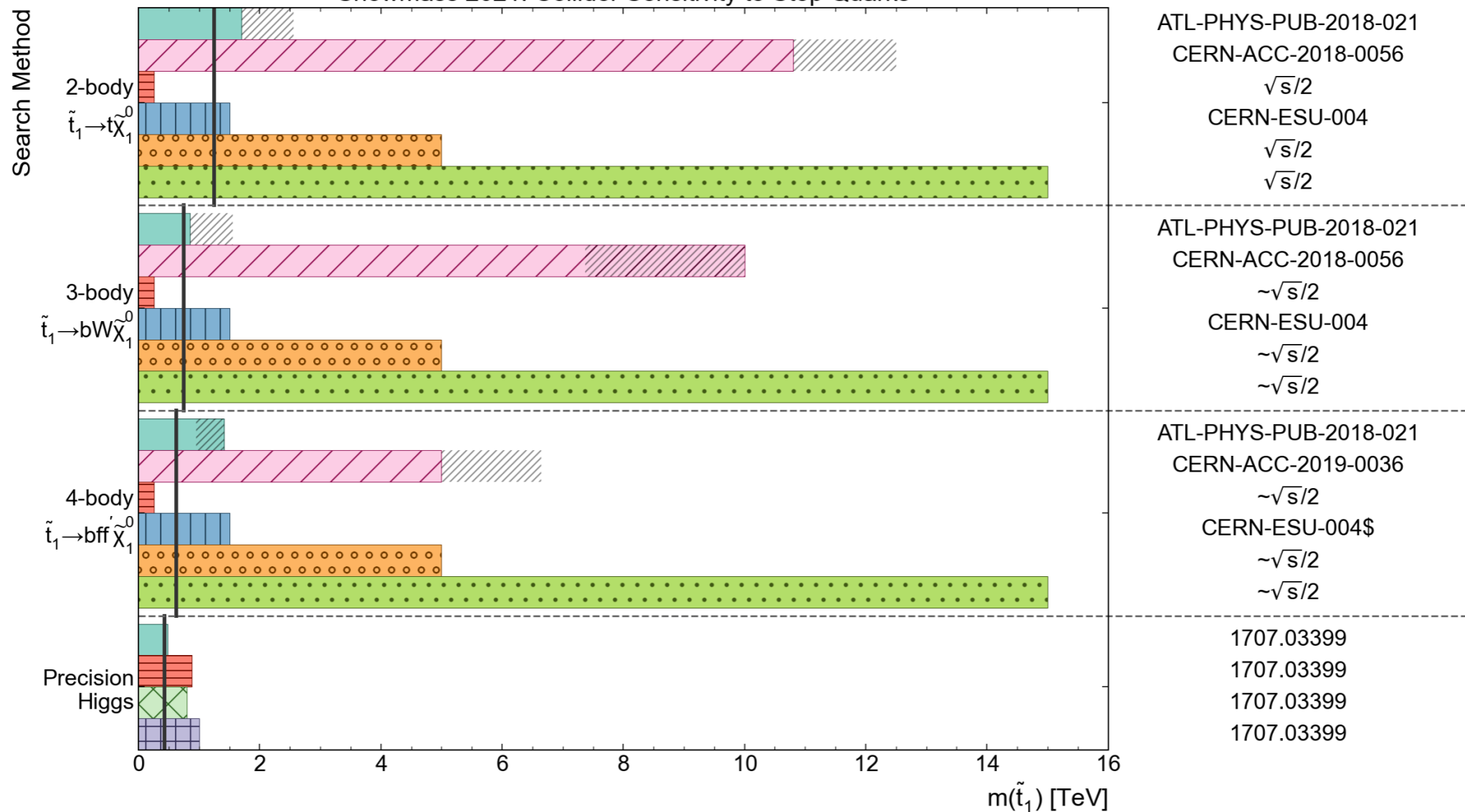
**A 10 TeV muon collider would do better than FCC**

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$$\lambda_3 = \lambda_{SM}(1 + \delta_3) = \kappa_3 \lambda_{SM}$$

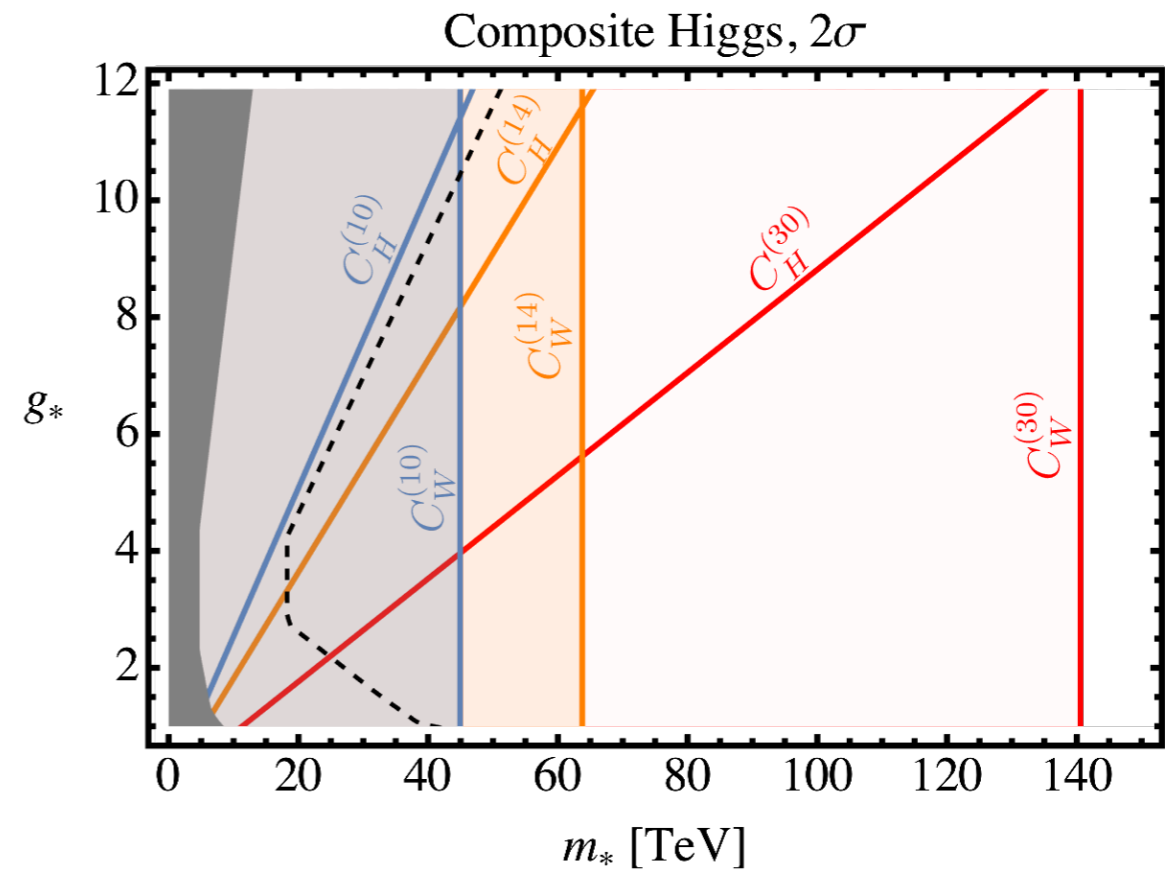
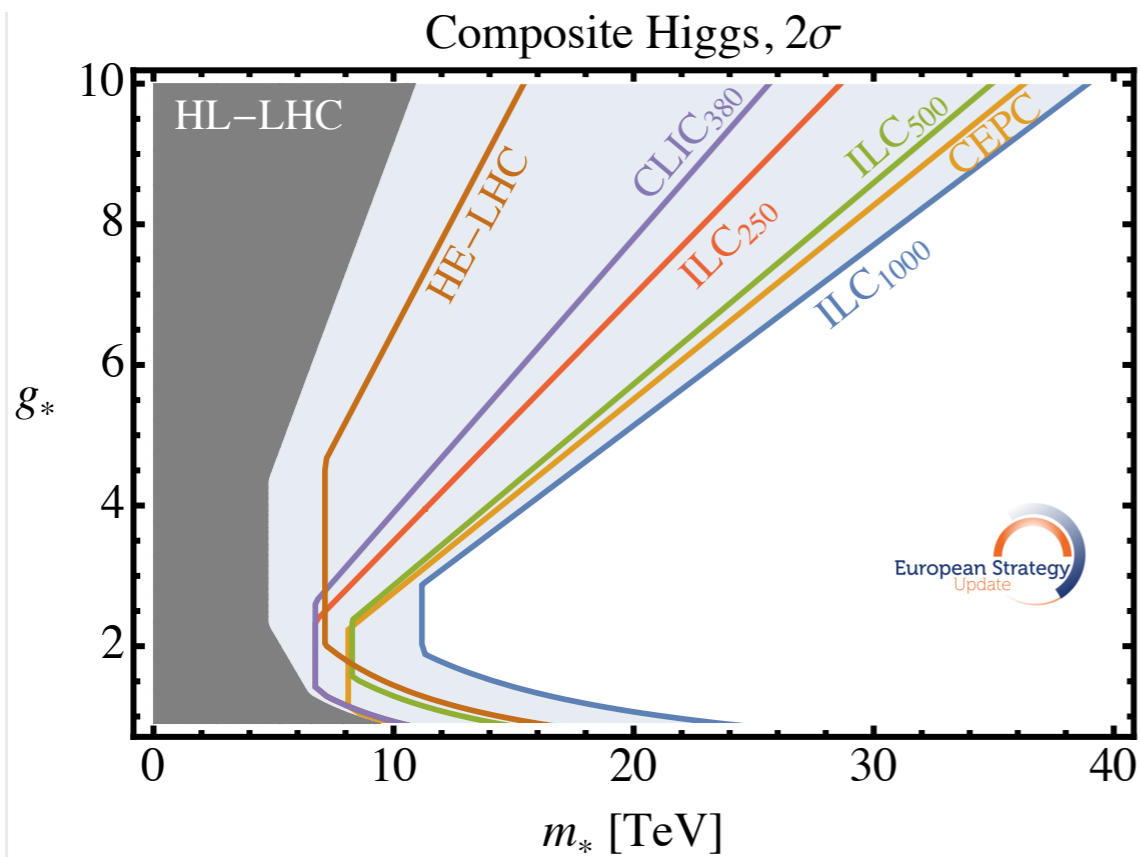
$$\lambda_4 = \lambda_{SM}(1 + \delta_4) = \kappa_4 \lambda_{SM}$$

### Snowmass 2021: Collider Sensitivity to Stop Quarks



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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| — LHC Limits                        | ILC 0.5 TeV, 4 $\text{ab}^{-1}$    | FCC-ee 0.35 TeV, 12.6 $\text{ab}^{-1}$ |
| Range of estimates                  | CLIC 3 TeV, 5 $\text{ab}^{-1}$     | Muon 10 TeV, 10 $\text{ab}^{-1}$       |
| HL-LHC 14 TeV, 3 $\text{ab}^{-1}$   | CEPC 0.24 TeV, 10 $\text{ab}^{-1}$ | Muon 30 TeV, 10 $\text{ab}^{-1}$       |
| FCC-hh 100 TeV, 30 $\text{ab}^{-1}$ |                                    |  |

# Composite



Through precision measurement at high energies.

# Blind spot for muon collider?

- \* New physics only charged under color.
  - \* e.g. Gluino
- \* Muon blind flavor specific coupling.