

Electroweak Precision Physics at the FCC-ee

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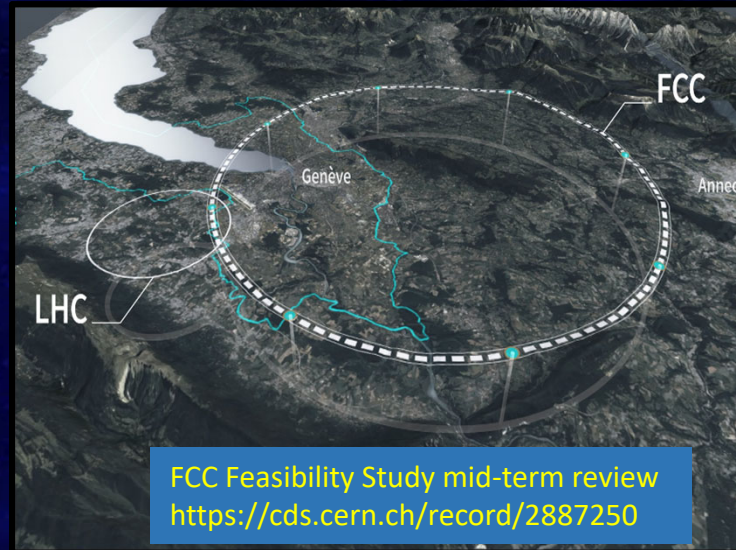
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FCC - global international collaboration hosted at CERN

- ✓ **0th stage:** construction of ~91 km circumference tunnel infrastructure in Geveva area to host:
- ✓ **1st stage – FCC-ee:** electron positron collisions (90-360) GeV
- ✓ **2nd stage – FCC-hh:** proton-proton collisions at ~100 TeV
- ✓ **Options of AA and eh** also envisioned

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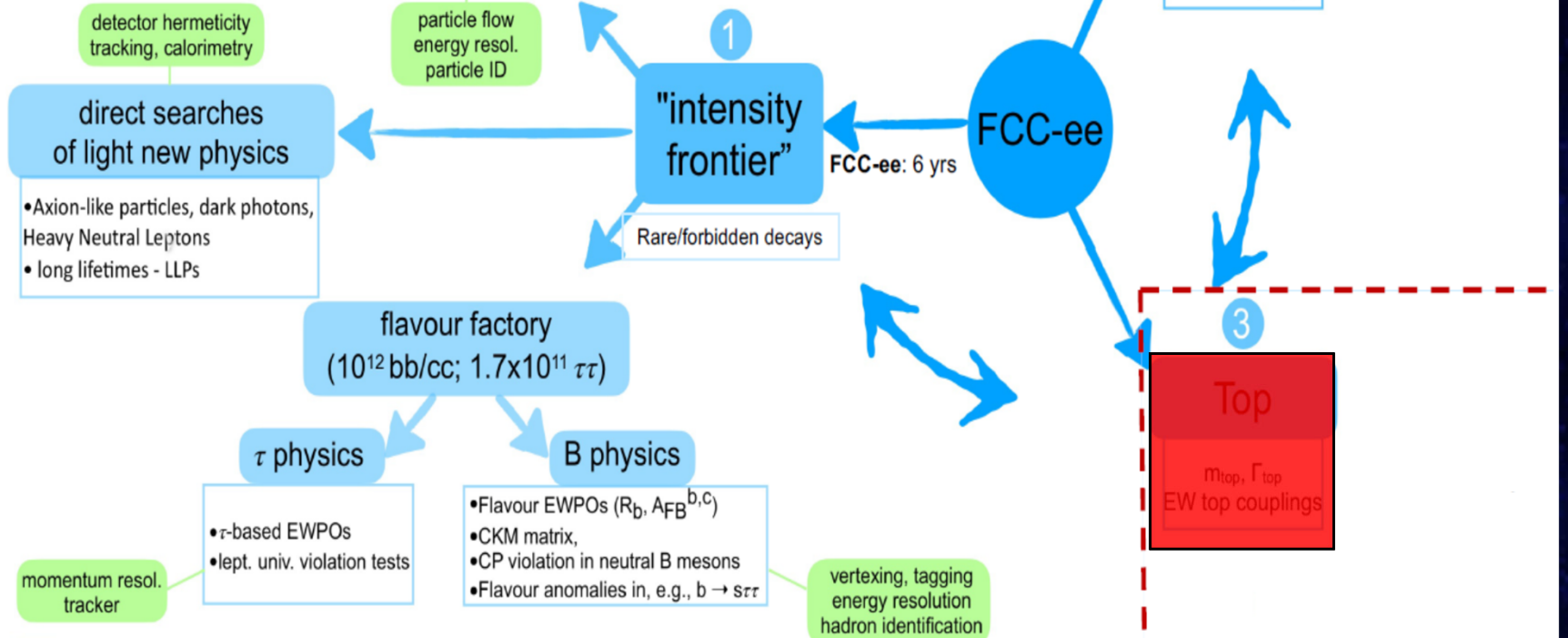




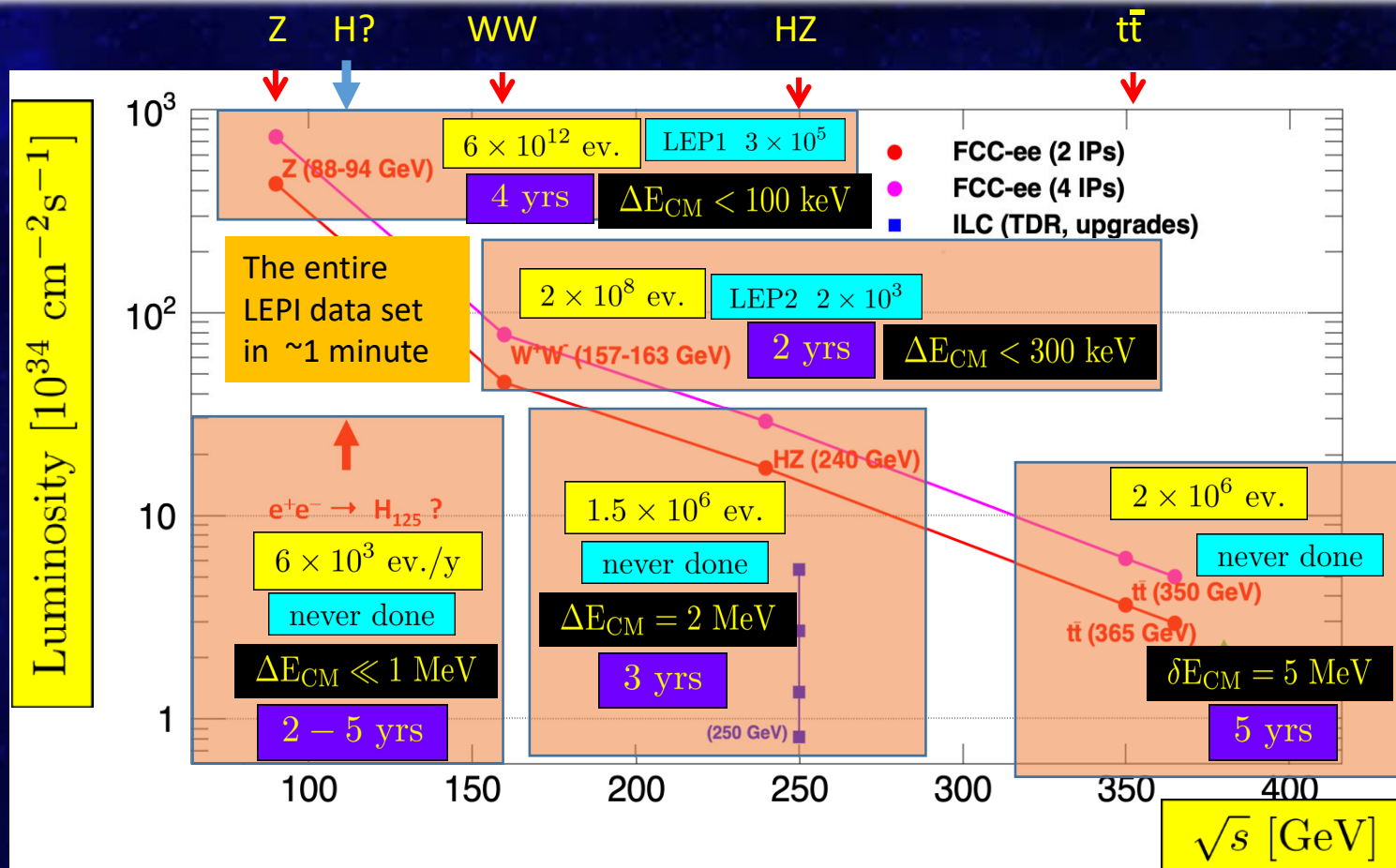
Covered in this talk:

EW & QCD

- m_Z, Γ_Z, N_ν
- R_l, A_{FB}
- m_W, Γ_W
- $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ with per-mil accuracy
- Quark and gluon fragmentation
- Clean non-perturbative QCD studies



Slide from C. Grojean @ FCC Week'22

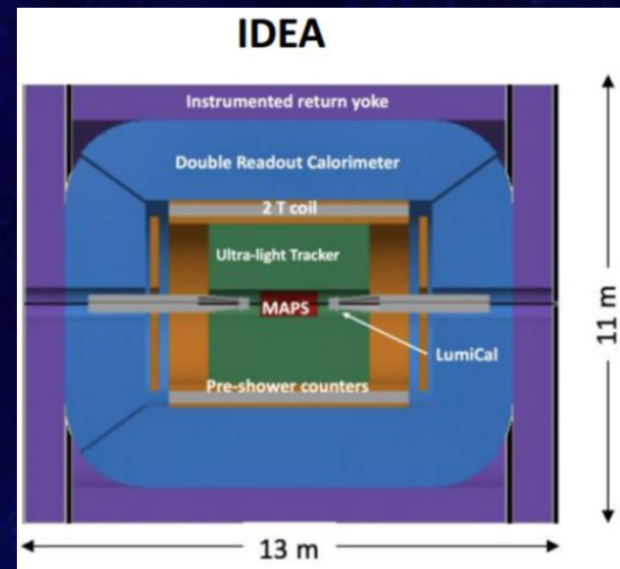


- EW observables:**
- m_Z, Γ_Z
 - N_ν, Γ_{inv}
 - R_l, R_b, R_c
 - A_{FB}^e, A_{FB}^μ
 - A_{FB}^b, A_{FB}^c
 - A_{FB}^τ, P_τ
 - $\sin^2 \theta_W$
 - $\alpha_{QED}(m_Z^2)$
 - m_W, Γ_W
 - m_t, Γ_t

- Optimal energy range for SM particles!
- HZ and ttbar thresholds never investigated at leptonic colliders !
- Circular colliders can serve up to 4 IPs → increase discovery potential and the community, better accelerator monitoring, robustness of systematic uncertainties, detector diversity, sustainability...



- **Detector design based on experience from LEP/ILC/CLIC/LHC & generic detector R&D , with the following requirements**
 - Matching systematic errors to the very small statistical uncertainties expected at the FCC-ee
 - Ability to withstand a large dynamic range in luminosity and energy
 - Si SVT: low material budget, cooling, MDI constraints (last focusing quadrupole $\pm 2.2\text{m}$ from IP)
 - Tracker (Si, drift chamber, TPC): low material budget
 - Calorimeters: high granularity and identification capabilities (Particle Flow Algorithm PFA), power consumption, cooling
 - PID: dE/dx - gaseous detectors, compact RICH detectors
 - Hermeticity (forward region)
 - Precise luminosity detectors
 - Specific to the Z pole run: large collisions rates ($\sim 33\text{ MHz}$), large event rates ($\sim 100\text{ kHz}$), beamstrahlung
 - Cost: 300-400 MEUR
 - Three concepts: CLD, IDEA, ALLEGRO



Junjie Zhu talk at the FCC weak (San Francisco, June 2024):

https://indico.cern.ch/event/1298458/contributions/5975666/attachments/2874286/5033190/DetectorRequirements_Zhu.pdf



The Z Lineshape Measurements



LEP

$$N_Z = 2 \times 10^7$$

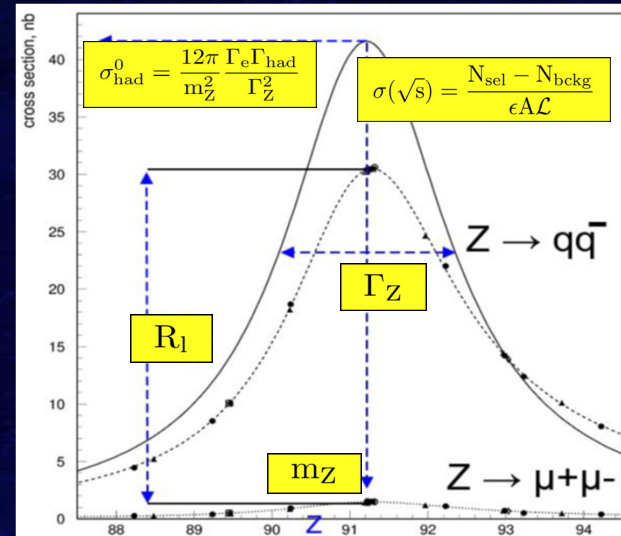
FCC-ee

$$N_Z \sim 6 \times 10^{12}$$

extreme statistical precision
of EW observables

➤ Z mass and width (from Z pole scan):

- **The crucial factor limiting factor: uncertainty on the collision energy:** continuous E_{CM} calibration (resonant depolarization of the transversely polarized beams)
- **Experimental (big) challenge:** match the detector capabilities to the statistical power
- **Theoretical challenges:** improved precision on predictions used for lumi measurement, deconvolution of QED effects; EW/QCD corrections



Δ [keV]	LEP	FCC-ee		
		Total	stat	syst
Z mass	2100	100	10	100
Z width	2300	25	4	25

100 ab^{-1} at $\sqrt{s} = 91.2$ GeV

50 ab^{-1} at $\sqrt{s} = 87.9$ GeV, 50 ab^{-1} at 94.3 GeV

➤ Normalized partial widths:

$$R_q = \frac{\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}}{\Gamma_{had}}, \quad q = b, c \quad R_l = \frac{\Gamma_{had}}{\Gamma_{ll}}, \quad l = e, \mu, \tau$$

$$\Gamma_{f\bar{f}} \propto (g_V^f)^2 + (g_A^f)^2 \quad f = l, q$$

necessary input for a precise measurement
of EW couplings (next slides)

and $\alpha_S(m_Z^2)$ (from hadronic Z decays). FCC-ee precision: $\Delta_{rel} \alpha_S(m_Z^2) = (0.1 - 0.2)\%$

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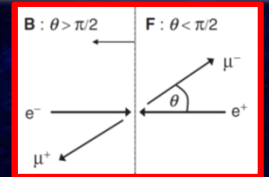
LEP: 2.5%

$\times 10^{-6}$	PDG (LEP) rel. precision	FCC-ee		
		Total	stat	syst
R_e	2400	10	3.6	10
R_μ	1600	10	2.6	10
R_τ	2200	10	3.1	10
R_b	3100	300	1.4	300
R_c	17000	1500	150	1500



➤ **Z asymmetries:** $\frac{d\sigma_{f\bar{f}}}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{3}{8}\sigma_{f\bar{f}}^{\text{tot}} [(1 - \mathcal{P}_e\mathcal{A}_e)(1 + \cos^2\theta) + 2(\mathcal{A}_e - \mathcal{P}_e)\mathcal{A}_f\cos\theta]$

\mathcal{P}_e – longitudinal polar. of the initial state e^-



The forward-backward asymmetry:

$$A_{FB}^f = \frac{\sigma_F - \sigma_B}{\sigma_F + \sigma_B} = \frac{3}{4}\mathcal{A}_f \frac{\mathcal{A}_e + \mathcal{P}_e}{1 + \mathcal{P}_e\mathcal{A}_e}$$

The left-right asymmetry:

$$A_{LR}^f = \frac{\sigma_L - \sigma_R}{\sigma_L + \sigma_R} = \mathcal{P}_e\mathcal{A}_e \quad \mathcal{A}_f = \frac{2g_V^f g_A^f}{(g_V^f)^2 + (g_A^f)^2}$$

LEP & SLC: longstanding tensions between different asymmetry measurements; uncertainties dominated by statistics

Δ	PDG	FCC – ee ($\times 10^3$)		
		Total	stat	syst
A_{FB}^c	2.5	0.020	0.007	0.020
A_{FB}^b	1.3	0.032	0.023	0.022
A_{FB}^c	3.5	0.250	0.200	0.150
A_{FB}^b	1.6	0.210	0.024	0.210

tau lepton case: the final state helicity can be measured

$$\mathcal{P}_\tau(\cos\theta) = \frac{d(\sigma_r - \sigma_l)}{d\cos\theta} \cdot \left(\frac{d(\sigma_r + \sigma_l)}{d\cos\theta} \right)^{-1}$$

Experimentally accessible observables:

$$A_{FB}^\tau = \frac{(\sigma_r - \sigma_l)_F - (\sigma_r - \sigma_l)_B}{(\sigma_r + \sigma_l)_F + (\sigma_r + \sigma_l)_B}$$

$$A_{FB}^\tau = -\frac{3}{4}\mathcal{A}_e$$

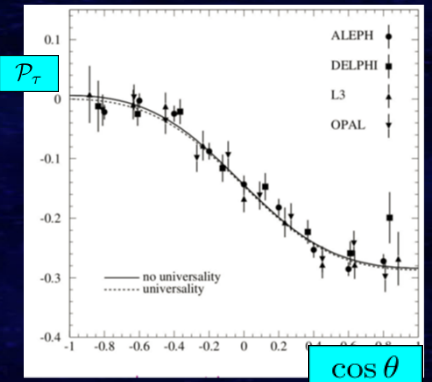
$$\mathcal{P}_\tau(\cos\theta) = \frac{\mathcal{A}_\tau(1 + \cos^2\theta) + 2\mathcal{A}_e\cos\theta}{(1 + \cos^2\theta) + \mathcal{A}_e\mathcal{A}_\tau\cos\theta}$$

$$\langle \mathcal{P}_\tau \rangle = -\mathcal{A}_\tau$$

Δ	LEP	FCC – ee ($\times 10^3$)		
		Total	stat	syst
$\langle P^\tau \rangle$	1.3	0.20	0.005	0.20
A_{FB}^τ	4.9	0.020	0.015	0.20

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\mathcal{A}_f measured (f = e, μ , τ , b, c)

$g_V^f g_A^f$ extracted

$$\sin^2\theta_{W,\text{eff}}^f = \frac{1}{4} \left(1 - \frac{g_V^f}{g_A^f} \right)$$

➔ $\sin^2\theta_{W,\text{eff}}$

$\Delta \sin^2\theta_{W,\text{eff}}^f (\times 10^6)$	current	total	stat	syst
from muon FB	160	3.1	2.0	2.4

(absolute) uncertainties

Task: further reduction of the systematic uncertainty



The Z Invisible Width – Number of Light Neutrino Species



1) N_ν determined at LEP1 from the Z line-shape scan:

$$N_\nu = 2.996 \pm 0.007$$

$$N_\nu \cdot \Gamma_\nu = \Gamma_Z - \Gamma_h - 3\Gamma_l$$

$$N_\nu = \left(\frac{\Gamma_l}{\Gamma_\nu} \right)_{SM} \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{12\pi R_l}{M_Z^2 \sigma_{had}^0}} - R_l - 3 \right)$$

theory

all measured at the peak

Only small room for improvements:

limited mainly by precision in the measurement of the the luminosity

Theory: (more precise) evaluation of the small angle Bhabha cross section

room for improvement

(LEP1: $\Delta L/L = 0.00061$, $\Delta N_\nu^{lumi} = 0.0046 \rightarrow \Delta N_\nu^{lumi} = 0.001$ @FCC-ee).

$$\Delta N_\nu^{FCC-ee} = 0.00005(stat) \pm 0.001(syst)$$

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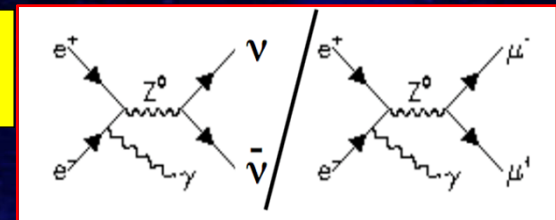
2) N_ν from the radiative return process

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z\gamma, Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$$

from the higher masses than the Z resonance e.g. at the WW

Monophoton events (normalized to photon-lepton-lepton events):

$$N_\nu = \left(\frac{e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma Z_{inv}}{e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma Z_{lept}} \right)^{meas} / \left(\frac{\Gamma_{\nu\bar{\nu}}}{\Gamma_{lept}} \right)^{SM}$$



- LEP1: $N_\nu = 2.92 \pm 0.05$ (statistics too scarce).

- Uncertainties associated with absolute luminosity cancel
- Photon selection common for both final states \rightarrow cancellations of systematics.
- N_ν can be measured vs sqrt(s) \rightarrow sensitivity to NP at high energy scales.

- FCC-ee sensitivity: $\Delta N_\nu^{FCC-ee} = 0.0004$





➤ $\alpha_{\text{QED}}(m_Z^2)$ - better precision necessary for future precision SM tests !

- Current uncertainty: $\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}(m_Z^2) = 10^{-4}$ from running coupling constant formula:

$$\alpha_{\text{QED}}(m_Z^2) = \frac{\alpha_{\text{QED}}(0)}{1 - \Delta\alpha_l(m_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(m_Z^2)}$$

dominated by the experimental determination of the hadronic vacuum polarization, obtained from dispersion integral with expt. input from low energies (KLOE, Belle, BaBar, CLEO, BES CMD-2...)

➤ Alternative: the direct measurement of $\alpha_{\text{QED}}(m_Z^2)$ from the muon FB asymmetry just below and just above the Z pole (as part of Z resonance scan) – no need of extrapolation from $\alpha_{\text{QED}}(0)$

- The $A_{\text{FB}}^{\mu\mu}$ - self normalized quantity

$$A_{\text{FB}}^{\mu\mu} = \frac{\sigma_{\mu\mu}^F - \sigma_{\mu\mu}^B}{\sigma_{\mu\mu}^F + \sigma_{\mu\mu}^B}$$

(no need for measurement of L_{int} ;
most uncertainties (sel. efficiency, det. acceptance) cancel in the ratio)

$$\frac{\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}}{\alpha_{\text{QED}}} \simeq \frac{\Delta A_{\text{FB}}^{\mu\mu}}{A_{\text{FB}}^{\mu\mu}} \times \frac{\mathcal{Z} + \mathcal{G}}{\mathcal{Z} - \mathcal{G}}$$

2x 6 months of FCC-ee running:

$\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{G})$ - Z(photon)-exchange terms

Optimal CMS energies:

$$\sqrt{s_-} = 87.9 \text{ GeV}$$

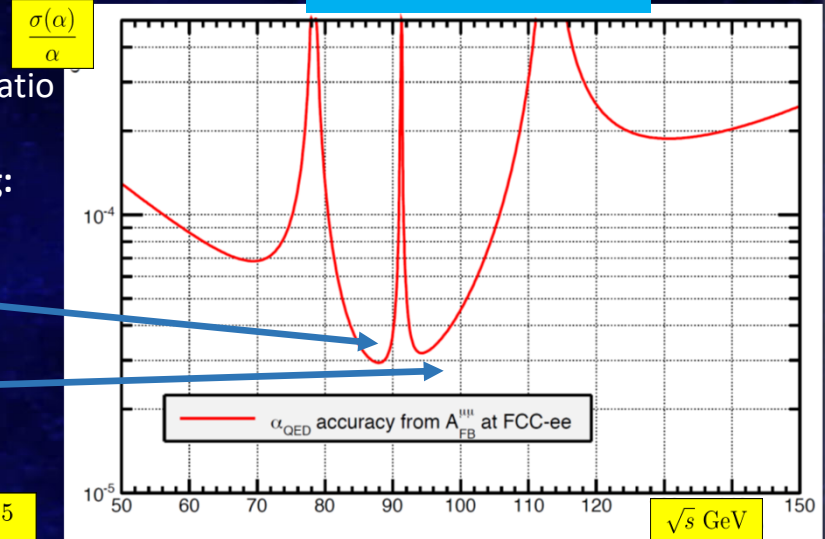
$$\sqrt{s_+} = 94.3 \text{ GeV}$$

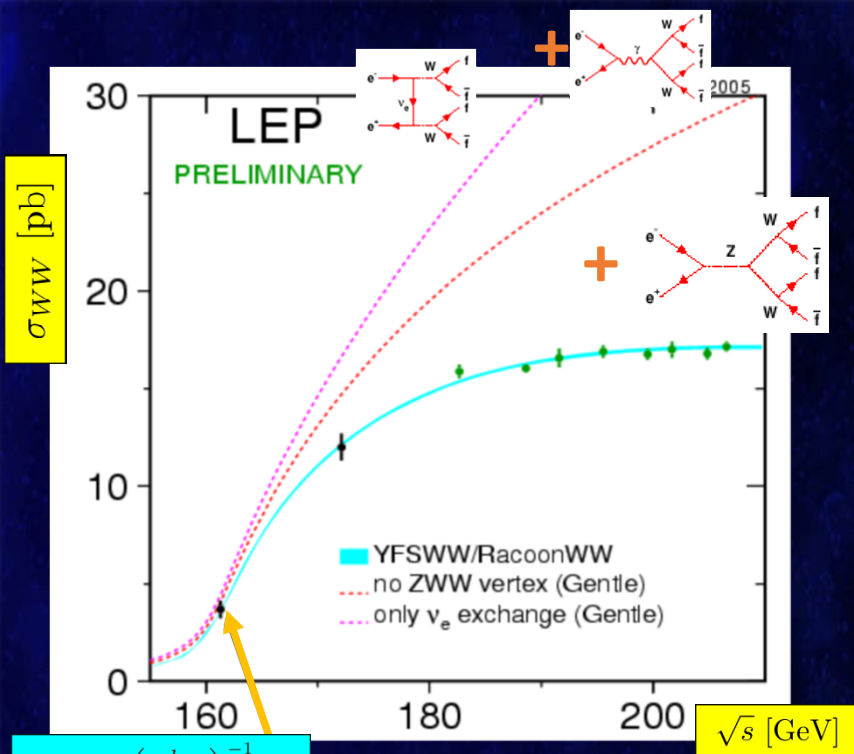
$$\frac{1}{\alpha_{\text{QED}}(m_Z^2)} = \frac{1}{\alpha_{\pm}} + \beta_{\text{QED}} \log \frac{s_{\pm}}{m_Z^2}$$

$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}(m_Z^2) = 3 \times 10^{-5}$$

(adequate for future precision EW fits)

P.Janot JHEP 02 (2016) 053





$$\Delta m_W = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dm_W} \right)^{-1} \Delta\sigma$$

	LEP2 Stat./Prec.	FCC - ee stat (syst)
N_{WW}	4×10^4	2×10^8

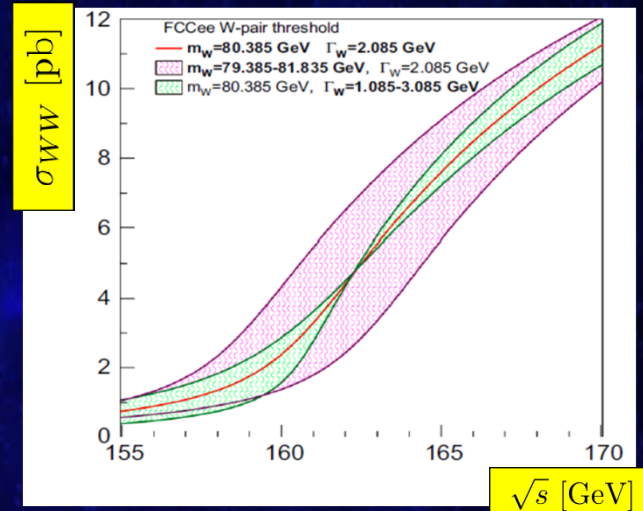
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Other W topics:

W branching ratios (lepton universality, lepton-quark universality), TGCs, $\alpha_s(m_W^2)$...

➤ The W mass and width from σ_{WW} :



- Measure σ_{WW} in two energy points E_1 and E_2 , with the fractions of luminosity f and $(1-f)$
➔ evaluation of both m_W and Γ_W

- Choose the parameters E_1 , E_2 , and f in order to minimize the errors: $\Delta\Gamma_W$ and Δm_W :

$$E_1 = 157.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$E_2 = 162.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$f = 0.4$$

$$12 \text{ ab}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta m_W = 0.5 \text{ MeV} \quad \Delta\Gamma_W = 1.2 \text{ MeV}$$

- Exploiting also a direct reconstruction of the W at threshold: $\Delta m_W = 0.25 \text{ MeV}$

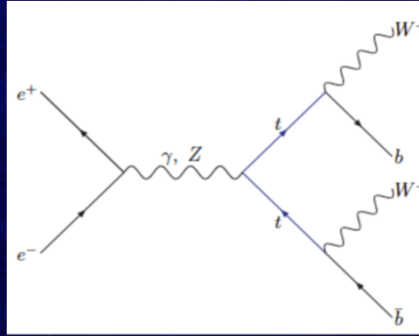


$t\bar{t}$ Pair Production at Threshold



➤ Any next e^+e^- collider:

for the 1st time the top quark to be studied using a precisely defined leptonic initial state



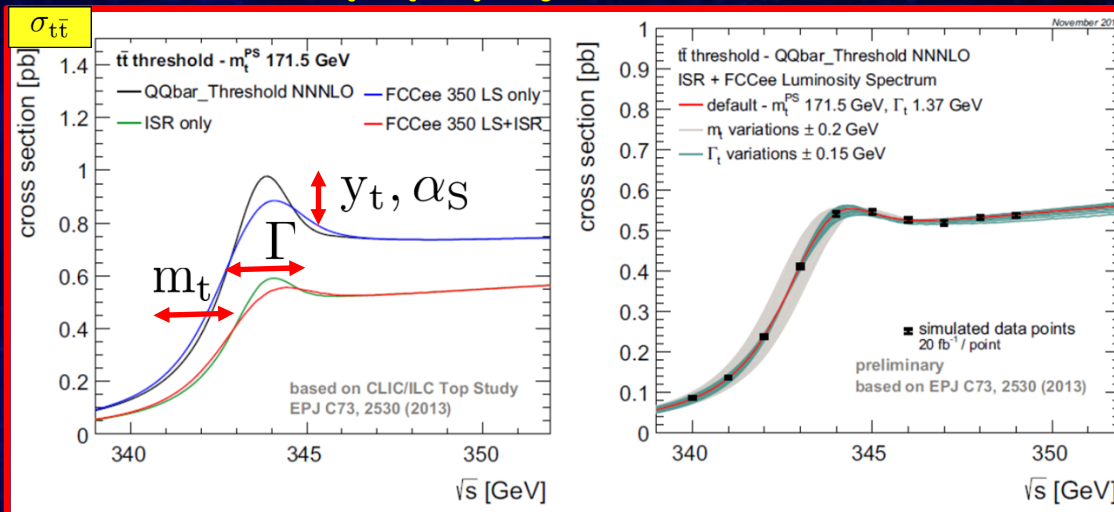
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z/\gamma \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow (bW^+)(\bar{b}W^-)$$

Final state	BR [%]	signature
Fully hadronic	46.2	6 jets
Semi leptonic	43.5	4 jets, 1 l^\pm , 1 ν
Fully leptonic	10.3	2 jets, 2 l^\pm , 2 ν

➤ The shape of the $t\bar{t}$ production cross-section at the threshold is computable to high precision and depends on $m_t, \Gamma_t, y_t, \alpha_s$ (and luminosity spectrum)

25 ab^{-1}

- $E_1 = 340 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_2 = 341 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_3 = 341.5 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_4 = 342 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_5 = 343 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_6 = 343.5 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_7 = 344 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_8 = 345 \text{ GeV}$



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➤ Other top topics:

Single top production,
top quark FCNC,
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma$,
top-quark EW couplings

...

PDG : $m_t = (172.69 \pm 0.30) \text{ GeV}$

FCC-ee

$\Delta m_t = 17 \text{ MeV}$

$\Delta \Gamma_t = 45 \text{ MeV}$

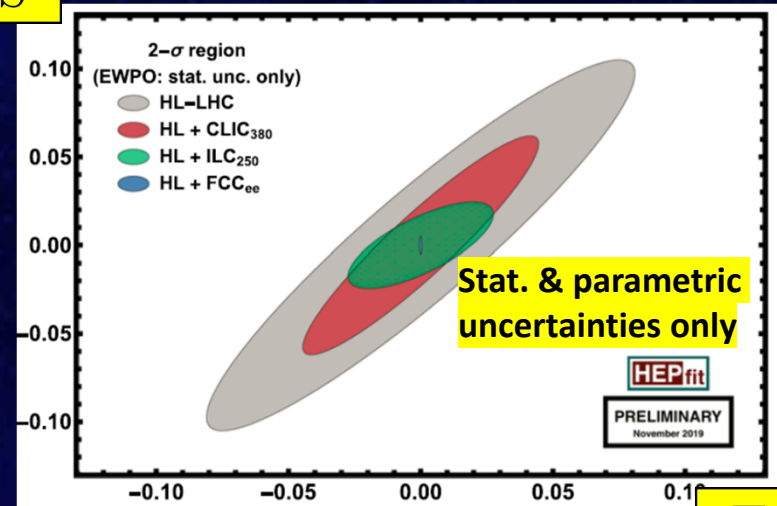


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$1/\alpha_{\text{QED}}(m_Z^2)$	$[\times 10^3]$	128 952	14	3	small
R_l^Z	$[\times 10^3]$	20 767	25	0.06	0.2-1
$\alpha_S(m_Z^2)$	$[\times 10^4]$	1 196	30	0.1	0.4-1.6
σ_{had}^0	$[\times 10^3 \text{ nb}]$	41 541	37	0.1	4
N_ν	$[\times 10^3]$	2 996	7	0.005	1
R_b	$[\times 10^6]$	216 290	660	0.3	< 60
$A_{\text{FB}}^{b,0}$	$[\times 10^4]$	992	16	0.02	1-3
$A_{\text{FB}}^{\text{pol},\tau}$	$[\times 10^4]$	1498	49	0.15	< 2
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τ mass	[MeV]	1776.86	0.12	0.004	0.04
τ leptonic BR	[%]	17.38	0.04	0.0001	0.003
m_W	[MeV]	80 350	15	0.25	0.3
Γ_W	[MeV]	2 085	42	1.2	0.3
$\alpha_S(m_W^2)$	$[\times 10^4]$	1 170	420	3	small
m_{top}	[MeV]	172 740	500	17	small
Γ_{top}	[MeV]	1 410	190	45	small

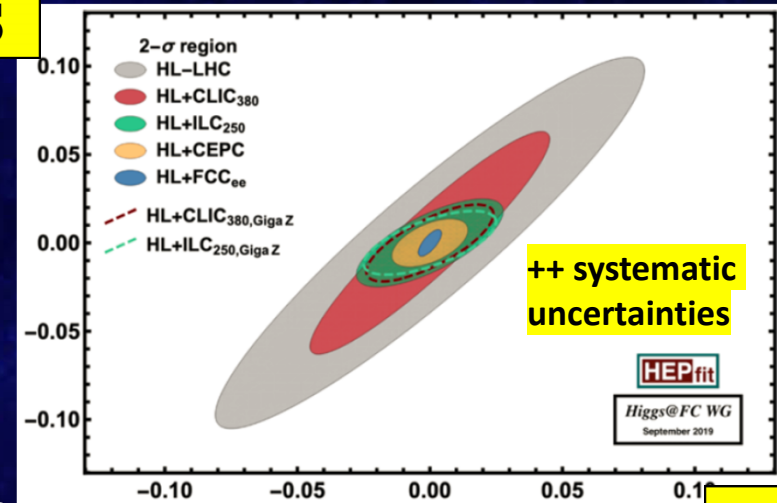
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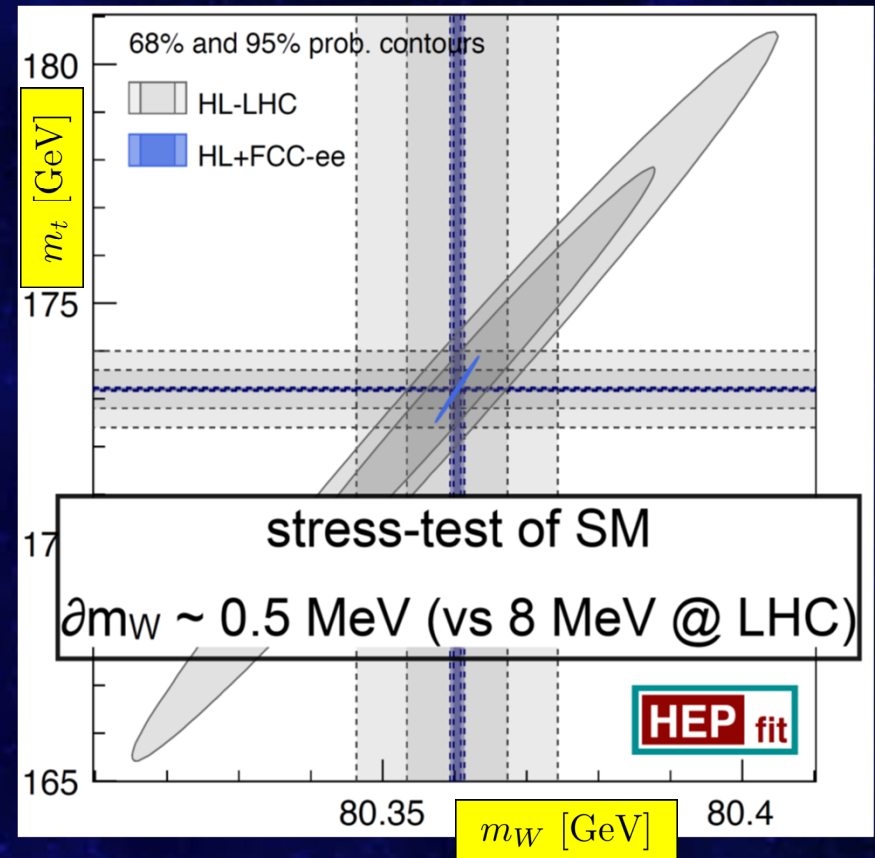


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- ✓ **The FCC project offers a complete, coherent and exciting option for the particle physics for the next decades**
- ✓ **The process of decision about its approval is gaining momentum in view of the update of European Strategy for Particle Physics**
- ✓ **FCC-ee studies of electroweak observables, would provide a qualitative leap in precision tests of the Standard Model, thus opening options for pinpointing new phenomena**
- ✓ **An extensive preparatory work is needed in order to fully exploit the expected statistical power of data, by optimising detector' designs and improving theoretical precision of observables**