

Minimal Dark Matter Search at $\mu^+ \mu^+$ Collider

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Dark Matter

Cosmological & astrophysical observations suggests the existence of “**dark matter**”

The property of dark matter:

- “weakly” interacting with SM particles
- non-relativistic
- stable
- collisionless

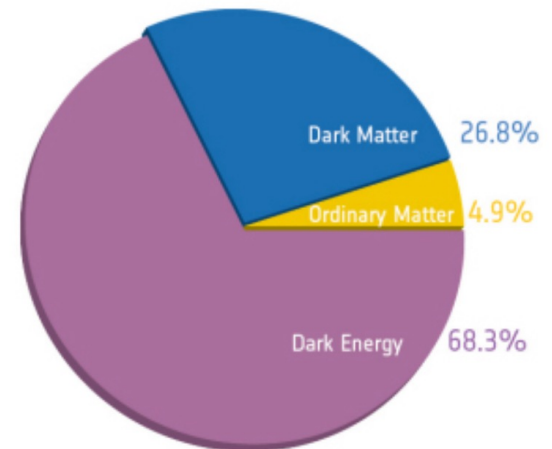


Figure from [ESA](#)

Among a plenty number of models, **Minimal Dark Matter (MDM)** is a promising candidate as a **Weakly Interacting Massive Particles (WIMPs)** dark matter.

Minimal Dark Matter (MDM)

Cirelli, Fornengo, Strumia (2005)

We introduce **new SU(2) multiplet (n-plet) with hypercharge Y** .

MDM is well-known dark matter candidate and many models predict its existence: e.g. MSSM.

Jungman, Kamionkowski, Griest (1995)

MDM can explain the dark matter relic abundance through the freeze-out mechanism with $m_{DM} \sim \mathcal{O}(1 \text{ TeV})$: **thermal mass target**

Femionic MDM candidate:

Hisano, Matsumoto, Nagai, Saito, Senami (2007)

Cirelli, Strumia, Tamburini (2007)

Mitridate, Redi, Smirnov, Strumia (2017)

particle	n	Y	Tharmal target
Higgsino	2	1/2	1.1 TeV
Wino	3	0	2.7 TeV
Quintuplet	5	0	14 TeV

Collider Search for MDM

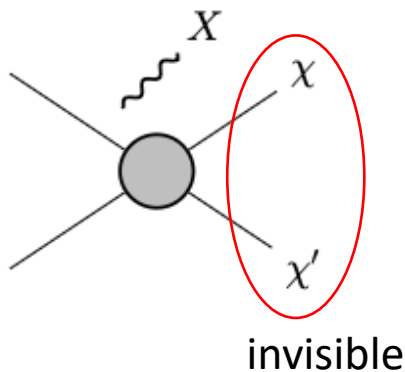
MDM is one of the main target at **high energy collider experiment** due to its interaction strength and the kinematical reach.

Signal

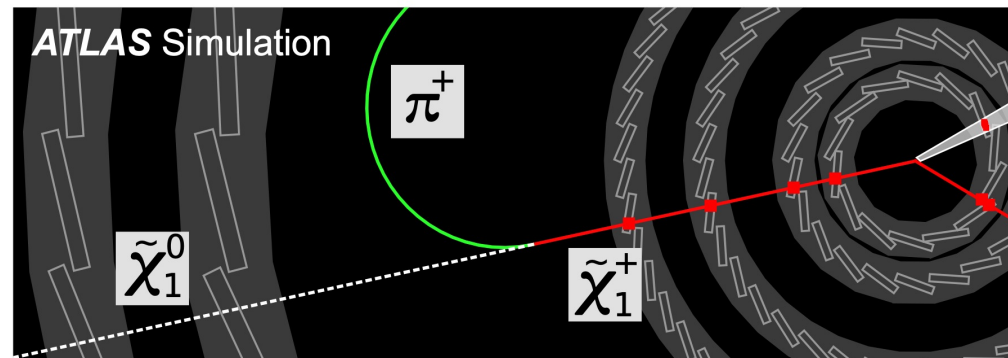
MDM cannot be detected in the detector, so MDM leaves **missing** signal.

In addition, some MDM candidate predicts **the long-lived charged particles** in their multiplet. These charged particle can hit the inner tracker.

Mono-X (X=SM final state)



Disappearing Track



ATLAS collaboration (2017)

Lepton Collider

In recent years, **lepton colliders** are discussed as **future collider experiment**:

- electron-positron collider *e.g.* ILC, CLIC, FCC-ee
- muon collider *e.g.* MAP, muTristan

Advantages of lepton collider:

- Beam particle is elementary particle (**not** composite particle like proton)
→ **kinematics** can be fully reconstructed
- Low hadronic background (maybe trigger is not needed)
- Use of beam polarization (Fukuda, AN 2406.XXXXX)

$\sqrt{s} \sim \mathcal{O}(1 \text{ TeV})$ and large luminosity are needed to search for MDM.
→ **muon collider is suitable !**

$\mu^+ \mu^+$ collider

Hamada, Kitano, Matsuda, Takaura, Yoshida (2022)

In recent years, μ^+ **cooling technique** is developed, and the realization of **well-collimated μ^+ beam** is discussed.

$\mu^+ \mu^+$ **collider** seems a realistic option as a future collider experiment
e.g. muTristan (proposal): Energy: $\sqrt{s} \sim 2$ TeV, Luminosity: $\mathcal{L} \sim 1$ ab⁻¹

However, muon collider is actually **not** clean around the beam pipe due to **the Beam Induced Background (BIB)**.

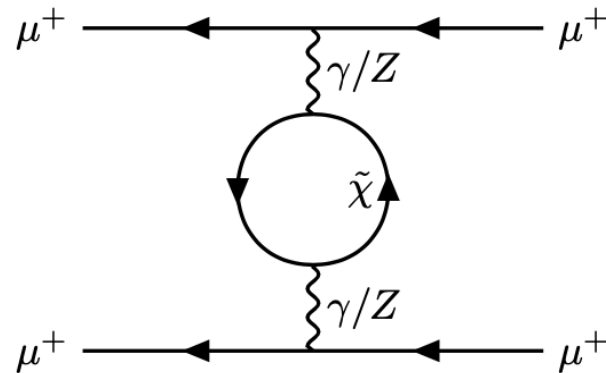
Capdevilla+ (2021)

Collamati+ (2021)

In our work, we consider the MDM search at $\mu^+ \mu^+$ **collider**:

- 1. Indirect search:**
BSM effect to the angular distribution of $\mu^+ \mu^+$ elastic scattering
- 2. Direct search:**
WIMP production, mono-X channel

Indirect search



MDM affects the $\mu^+ \mu^+$ elastic scattering through the gauge boson propagator:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{C_{WW}}{4} W_{\mu\nu}^a \Pi(-D^2/m^2) W^{a\mu\nu} + \frac{C_{BB}}{4} B_{\mu\nu} \Pi(-\partial^2/m^2) B^{\mu\nu} + \dots,$$

where

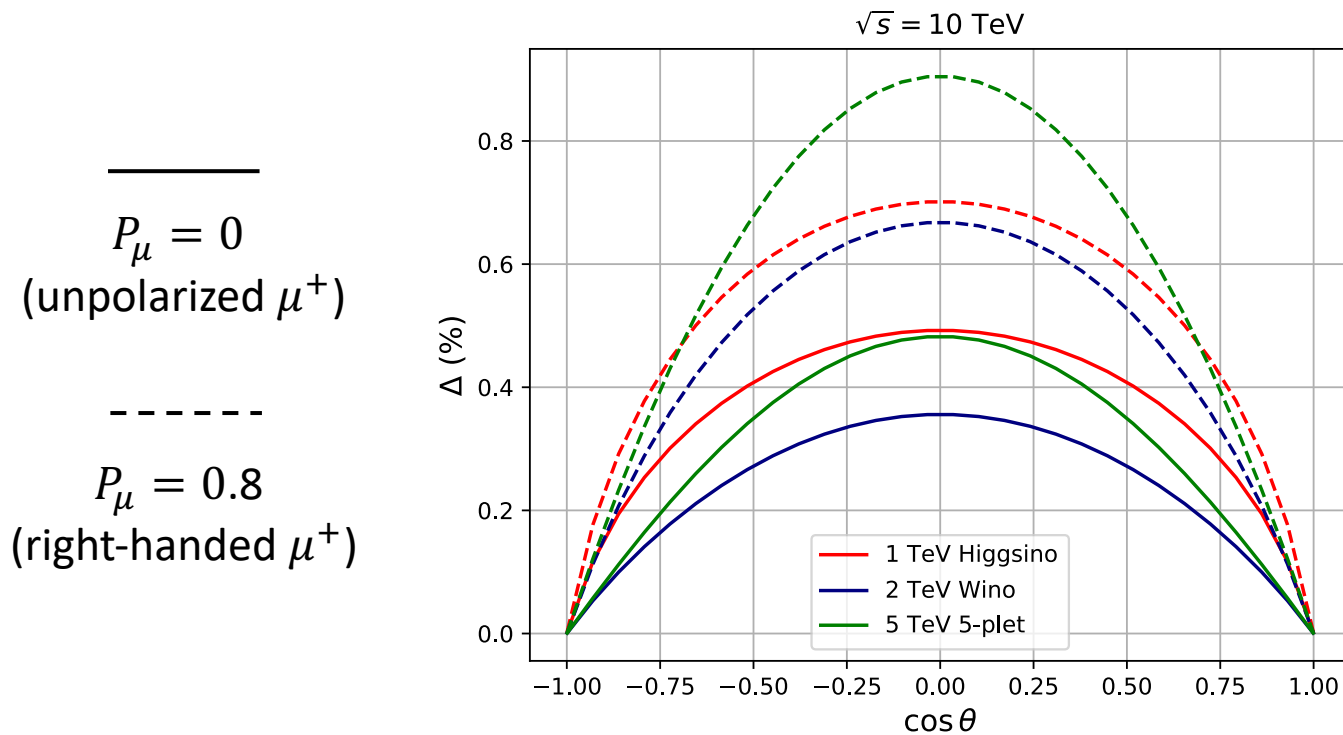
$$\Pi(x) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_0^1 dy y(1-y) \log \left(\frac{m^2 - xy(1-y)m^2}{\mu^2} \right),$$

From the t,u-dependence of the self-energy Π ,
the angular distribution of μ is distorted.

Indirect search

(WIMP contribution to cross section) / (SM contribution)

$$\Delta(\theta) \equiv \frac{d(\sigma_{\text{BSM}} - \sigma_{\text{SM}}) / d \cos \theta}{d\sigma_{\text{SM}} / d \cos \theta}$$



Indirect search

Statistical method : **shape analysis**

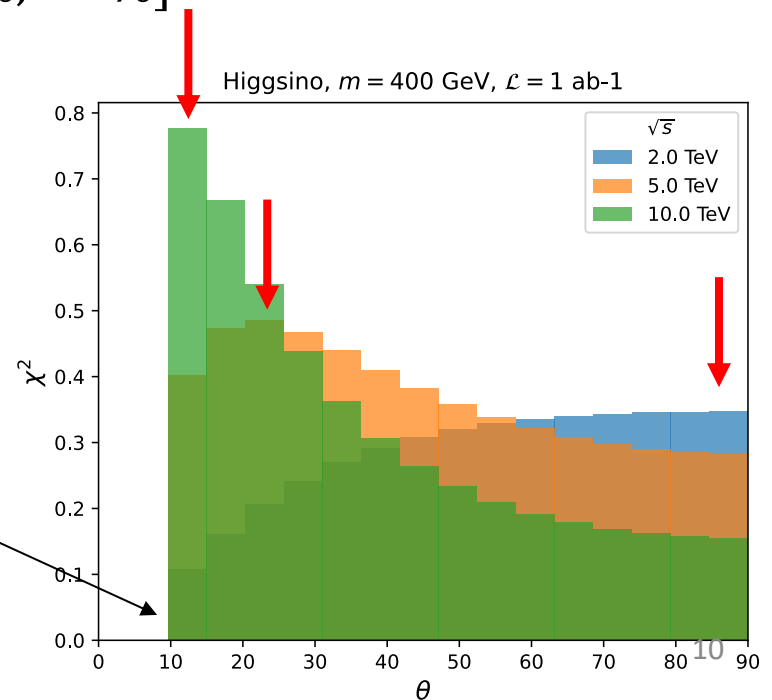
$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i \in \text{bin}} \frac{\left(N_i^{(SM+WIMP)} - N_i^{(SM)} \right)^2}{N_i^{(SM)} + (N_i^{sys})^2},$$

Bin: 15 intervals of the scattering angle, which satisfy $0 < \eta < 2.5$.

Systematic error: $N^{sys} = \epsilon N^{SM}$, $\epsilon \in [0\%, 0.3\%]$

The most contributing bin is where $t \sim m^2$, and this makes **the peak structure** of each bin contribution to χ^2 .

$\eta = 2.5$

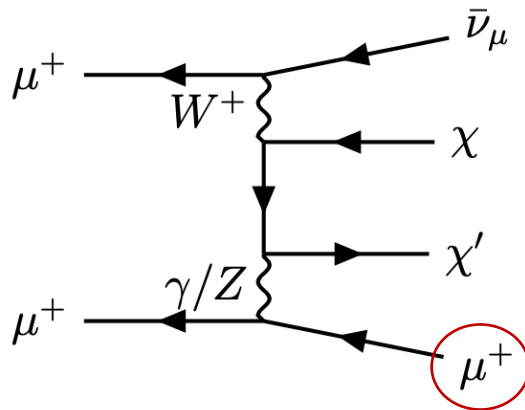


Direct search

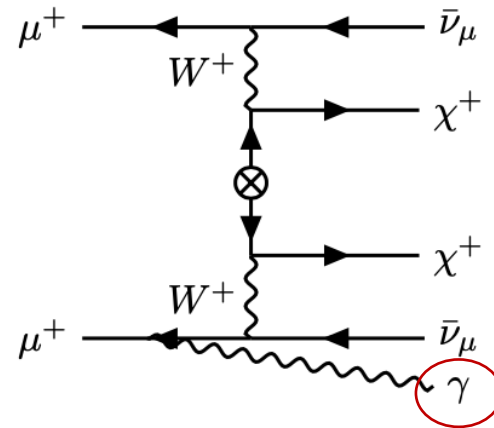
Mono-X ($X = \mu^+, \gamma$) searches are considered.

At $\mu^+ \mu^-$ collider, dominant production process of $\chi\chi$ is **Drell-Yan** production.

At $\mu^+ \mu^+$ collider, **Vector Boson Fusion (VBF) process** is the dominant production process.



mono- μ channel



mono- γ channel

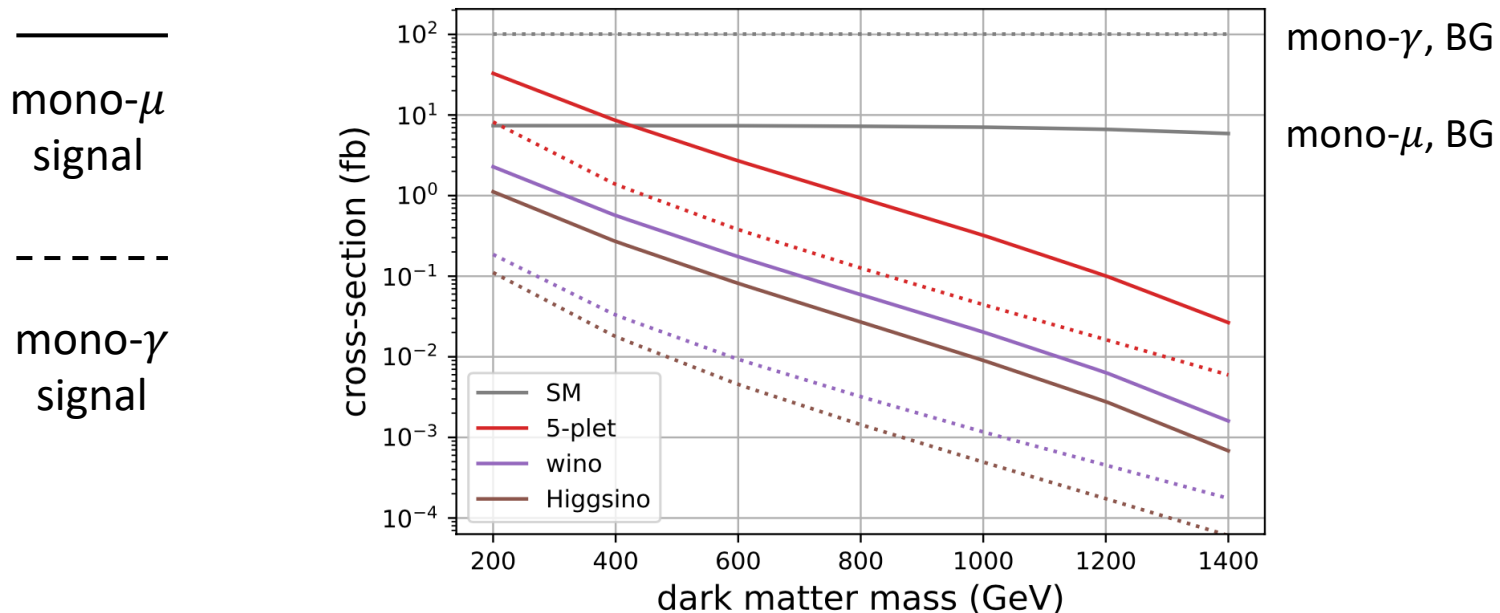
Direct search

Even in the case of $\mu^+\mu^-$ collider, the **mono- μ channel** is more sensitive than the **mono- γ channel**, because backgrounds can be discriminated **by the kinematical cut**.

Han, Liu, Wang, Wang (2021)
Bottaro+ (2022)

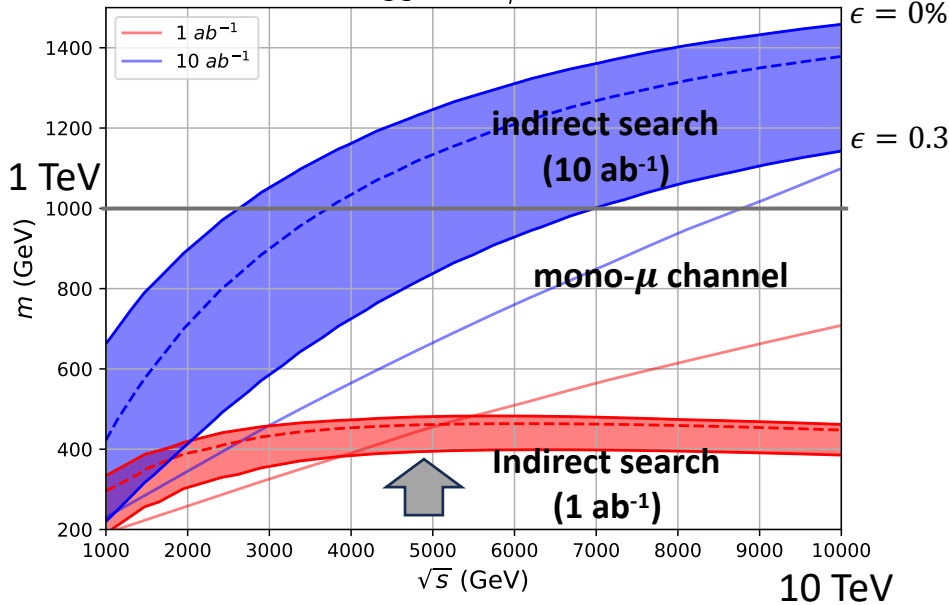
This is also true at $\mu^+\mu^+$ collider.

We show **only mono- μ channel** in our result.

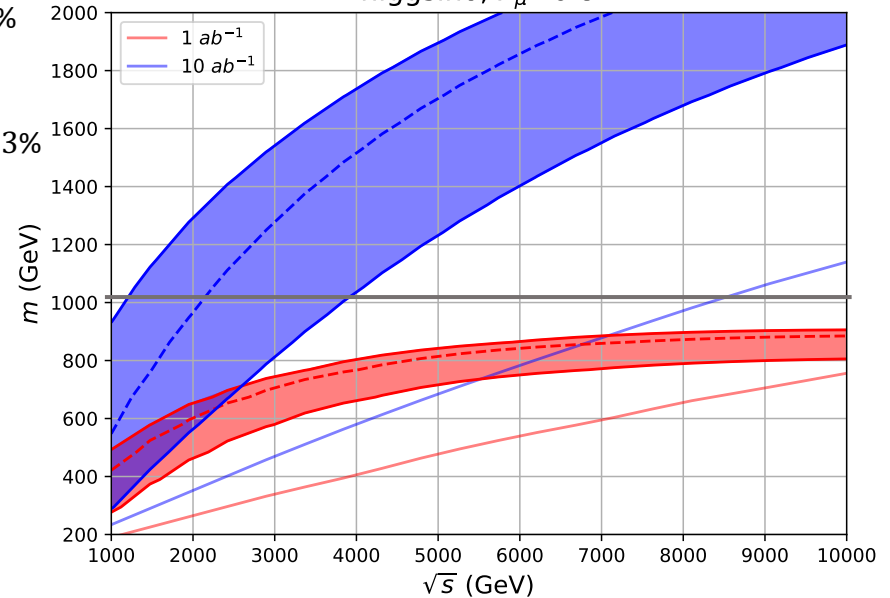


Result: Higgsino

unpolarized
higgsino, $P_\mu=0.0$



(right-handed) polarized
higgsino, $P_\mu=0.8$



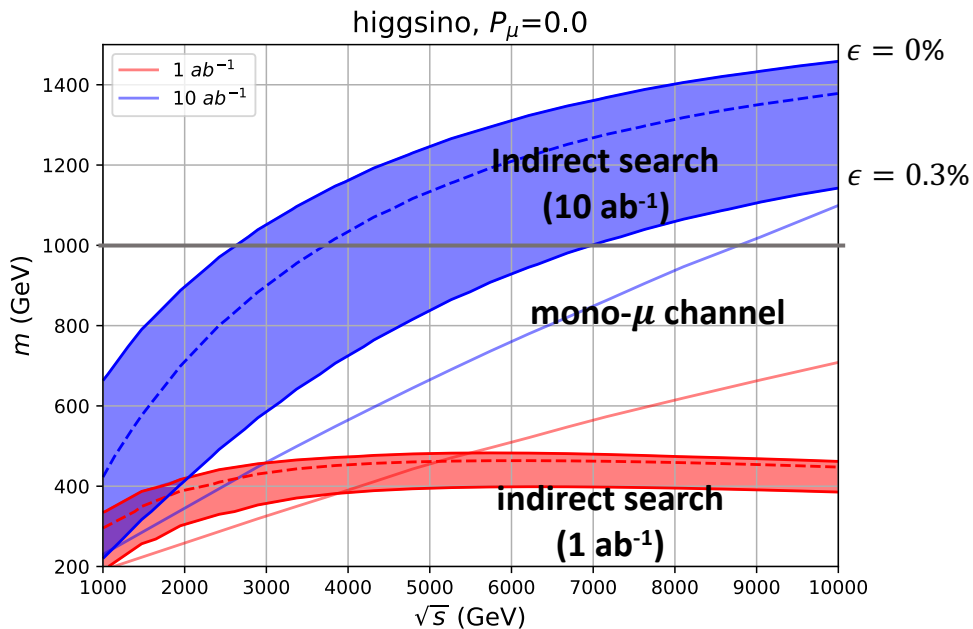
1 ab^{-1} : indirect search is more sensitive than direct search with $\sqrt{s} \lesssim 5$ TeV.

10 ab^{-1} : indirect search is more sensitive than direct search.

With 10 ab^{-1} luminosity, both searches can probe **the thermal target of higgsino.**

With **polarized muon**, sensitivity of the indirect search is much enhanced, due to the increase of the effective luminosity and SN ratio.

Result: Higgsino



\mathcal{L} : luminosity

Significance

Indirect search: $\chi^2 \propto \mathcal{L}/m^3$

Direct search: $\frac{N_{signal}}{\sqrt{N^{BG}}} \propto \sqrt{\mathcal{L}}/m^4$

fixed significance
e.g. 95% CL



Indirect search: $m \propto \mathcal{L}^{1/3}$
Direct search: $m \propto \mathcal{L}^{1/8}$

Indirect search has **larger** sensitivity than direct search (mono- μ channel) with **large luminosity**.

* When $\sqrt{s} \gg m^2$, χ^2 mass-dependence is different from what is discussed above due to the forward angular cutoff. See backup or our paper for more detail.

Summary

We estimate the sensitivity of the **indirect** and **direct** search for the minimal dark matter at $\mu^+\mu^+$ collider.

- Quantum correction from MDM modifies the angular distribution of $\mu^+\mu^+$ elastic scattering (indirect search).
- For the direct search, the mono- μ channel is more sensitive than the mono- γ channel.
- Indirect search has **an advantage** over the direct search with sufficient luminosity due to the difference of mass dependence.
With 10 ab^{-1} and polarized beam, the thermal target of Higgsino (Wino) can be probed with $\sqrt{s} \sim 2 (6) \text{ TeV } \mu^+\mu^+$ collider.

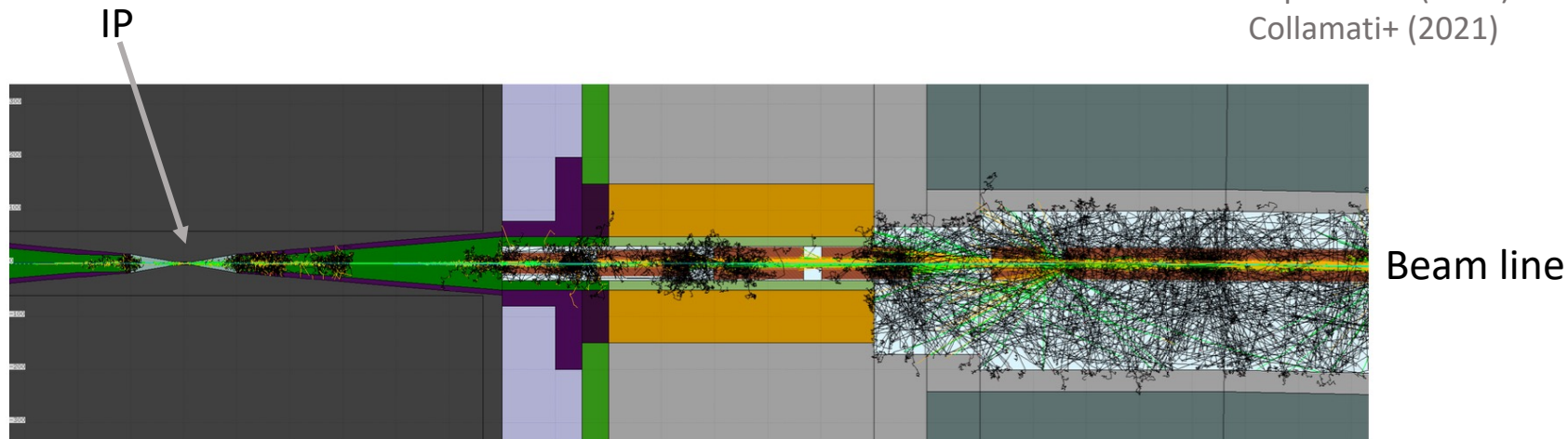
Backup

Muon Collider

Muon collider suffer from **Beam-Induced Background (BIB)**.

It may be a main background of disappearing track signal...

Capdevilla+ (2021)
Collamati+ (2021)



Then, WIMP search **without using tracker information** is important to propose the capability of muon collider.

- ❑ mono-X search at $\mu^+\mu^-$ collider
- ❑ muon beam polarization

Han+ (2021), Bottaro+ (2022)
Fukuda, Moroi, AN, Wei, in progress
Fukuda, AN, 2405.XXXXX

Collider Search for MDM

Wino, Quintuplet ($n = 3, 5 \ Y = 0$)

Charged state χ^+ is **long-lived**, $c\tau \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{cm})$.

The decay product is **soft** due to **small mass splitting** ($\delta m_+ \simeq 160 \text{ MeV}$).

Constraint from disappearing track search at LHC Run2:
 $\sim 660 \text{ GeV}$ for pure Wino

Chen, Drees, Gunion (1996)
 Ostdiek (2015)
 ATLAS collaboration (2022)

Higgsino ($n = 2 \ Y = 1/2$)

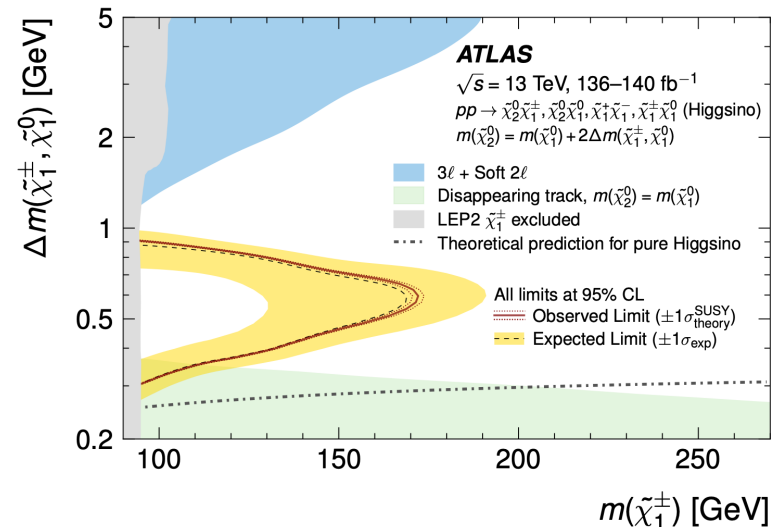
Large mass splitting ($\delta m_+ \simeq 340 \text{ MeV}$)

and

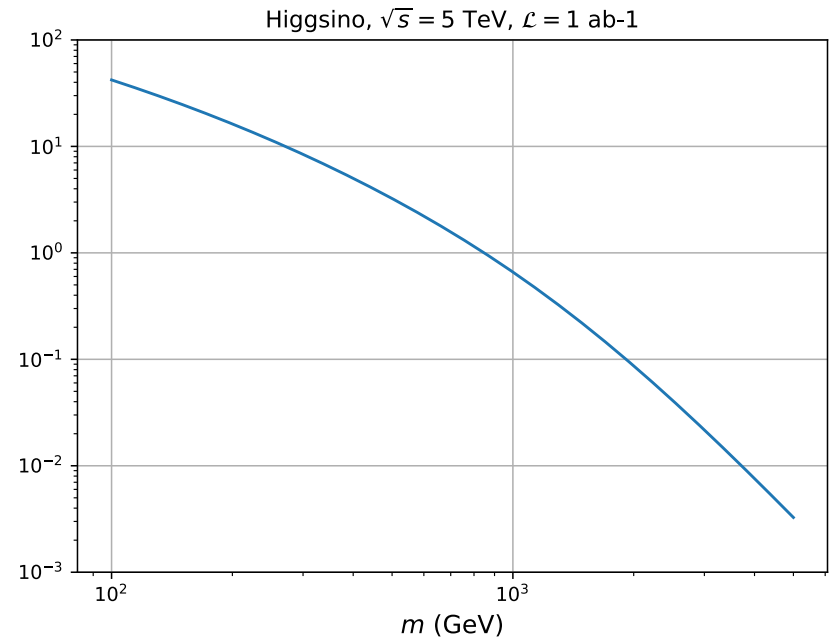
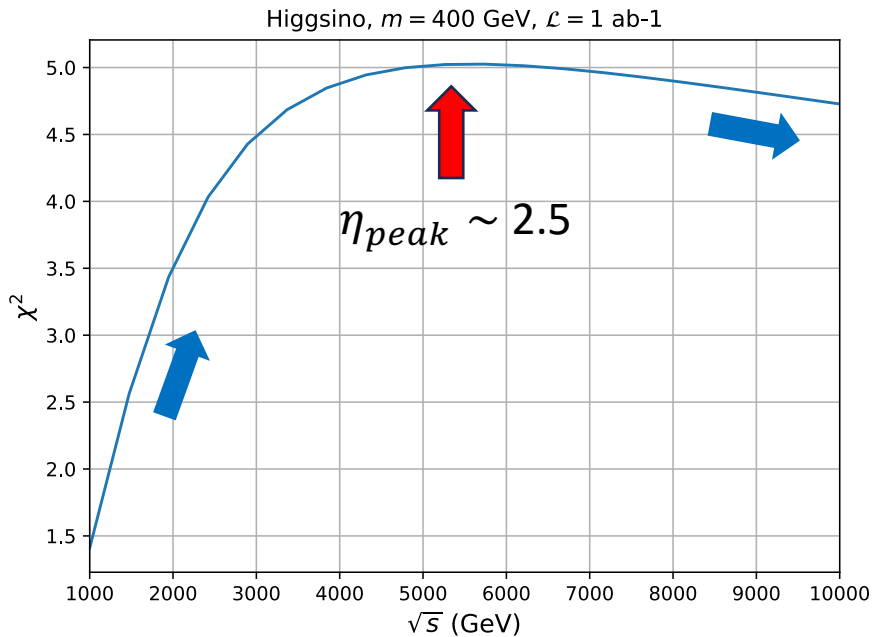
not so long lifetime for disappearing track

Even in that case, **displaced soft pion**
 can be used to discriminate the background.

Fukuda, Nagata, Oide, Otono, Shirai (2020)
 ATLAS collaboration (2024)



Indirect search



$d\chi^2/d\theta$ has a peak around $t \sim m^2$.

If this peak is inside the observed range, $\chi^2 \propto \sqrt{s} \frac{\mathcal{L}}{m^3}$.

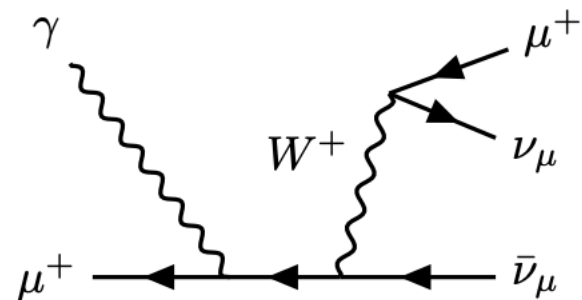
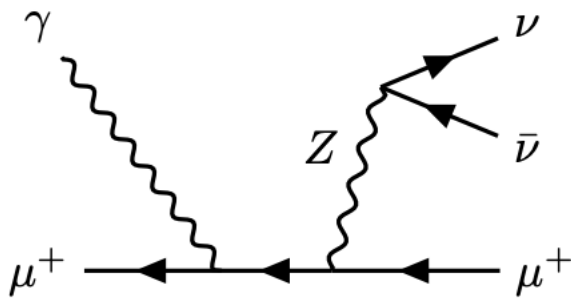
If the peak is outside, χ^2 slightly decreases with large \sqrt{s} .

Direct production search

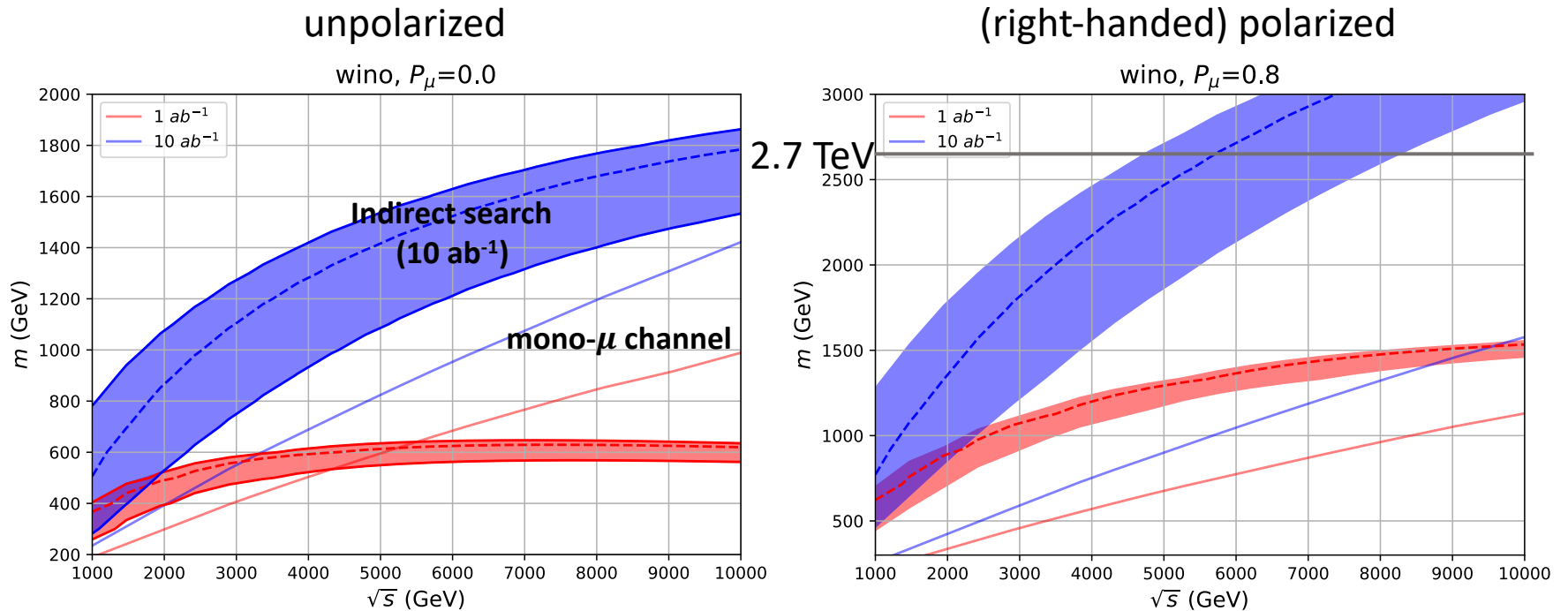
Kinematical cut

- $E_\mu > 0.23\sqrt{s}$
- $|\eta| < 2.5$
- $(p_{\mu,1}^{in} + p_{\mu,2}^{in} - p_\mu^{out})^2 > 4m^2$

BG process for mono- μ channel

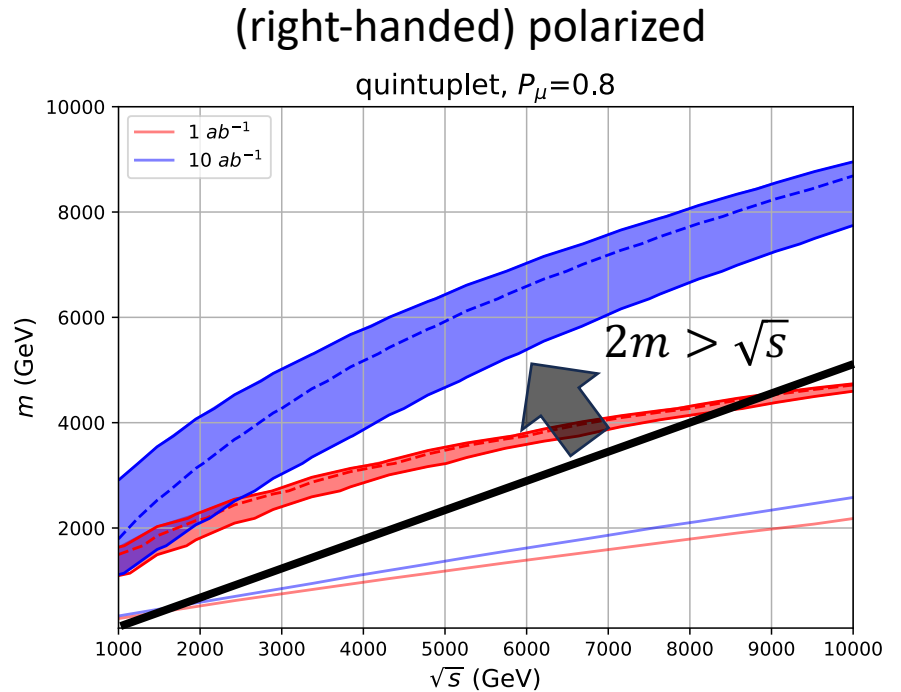
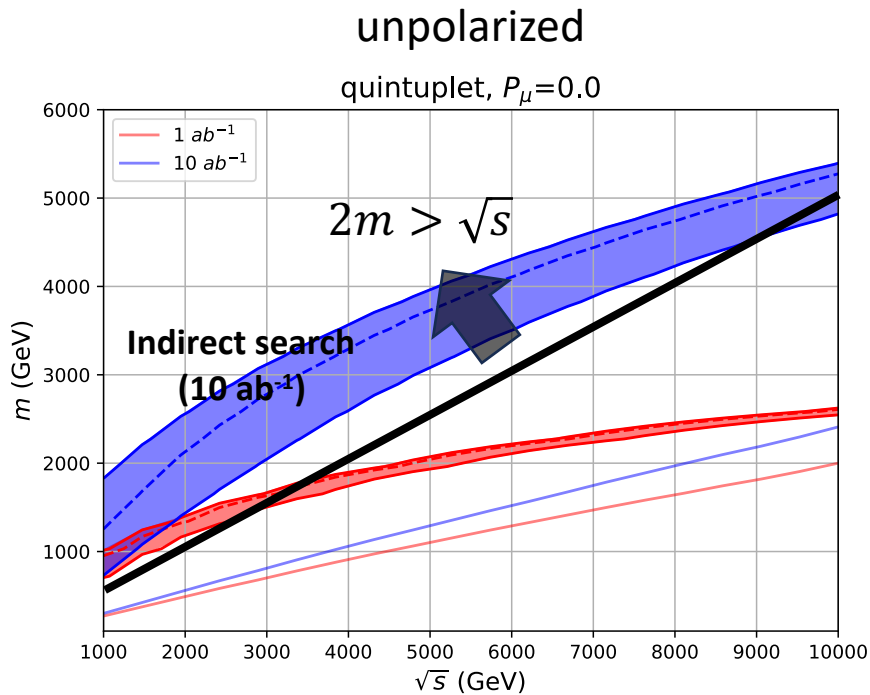


Result: Wino



With **polarized muon beam**, the indirect search is sensitive to **the thermal target** ($m = 2.7 \text{ TeV}$) with $\sqrt{s} \sim 5 \text{ TeV}$, 10 ab^{-1} collider.

Result: Quintuplet



The indirect search is sensitive to the parameter regions, $2m > \sqrt{s}$, where the direct search cannot search due to the kinematics.