# Experimental Physics at Lepton Colliders





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# Overview

A two-part story

- Part I:
  - Scientific motivation
  - Future e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> colliders in broad strokes
- Part II:
  - Detectors at future  $e^+e^-$  and  $\mu^+\mu^-$  colliders
  - Some physics examples





# Disclaimer

I have taken material from many different presenters - impossible to list them all. I want to single out Mogens Dam, who gave excellent lectures on the same topic a few years ago, which I took as inspiration. An excellent resource reflecting a recent survey of this field is the Snowmass '21 CSS Meeting in Seattle in July 2022: https://indico.fnal.gov/event/22303

The selection of material reflects my personal bias. I am not trying to "sell" a particular future facility - but use your own judgment to form you opinion!

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# Part I

# Introduction

Where we are, how we got there

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# The Standard Model of Particle Physics

A Collider Success Story

**SPEAR / AGS 1974** Fermilab 1977 Tevatron 1995

AGS 1962 **SPEAR 1975** Fermilab 2000



• The result of generations of accelerators, and the interplay of experiment and theory Providing testable predictions

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**PETRA 1979** SppS 1983

LHC 2012

Contributions from

- e+e<sup>-</sup> colliders
- hadron colliders
- fixed target







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... and raises new questions by itself!

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Responding to missing Guidance



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Particle colliders contribute in all categories!





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Indirect discovery: Deviations from expectation hinting at new phenomena at (much) higher energy scale











# **Precision Measurements**

## An established discovery strategy

Particle	Indirect			Direct		
ν	β decay	Fermi	1932	Reactor v-CC	Cowan, Reines	1956
W	β decay	Fermi	1932	W→ev	UA1, UA2	1983
С	$K^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu$	GIM	1970	J/ψ	Richter, Ting	1974
b	СРV <i>К<sup>0</sup>→пп</i>	CKM, 3 <sup>rd</sup> gen	1964/72	Y	Ledermann	1977
Ζ	v-NC	Gargamelle	1973	$Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$	UA1	1983
t	B mixing	ARGUS	1987	$t \rightarrow Wb$	D0, CDF	1995
н	e+e-	EW fit, LEP	2000	$H \rightarrow 4\mu/\gamma\gamma$	CMS, ATLAS	2012
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with a well-founded theoretical model, precision measurements can be turned into discoveries - and precision measurements can guide the development of new models.

uring, ICHEP 2018

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# **Precision Measurements**

## An established discovery strategy





# Why e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> Colliders?

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## Experimental Conditions at e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> Colliders Looking back at LEP

- LEP the first occupant of the tunnel we now know as the "LHC tunnel": 1989 2000, 91 209 GeV • Fantastically clean events: No pile-up, no underlying events -> All you see is the physics! • Signal and physics background cross sections comparable: no trigger challenge!



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## Experimental Conditions at e+e- Colliders Looking back at LEP

- A key feature: Excellent knowledge of initial state, given by  $\sqrt{s} \rightarrow$  Energy conservation means the fourvector of the final state is known.
  - uncertainties in WW events, for example

Here:

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$$

accurate measurements of the jet directions, together with event constraints provide precise jet energies and di-jet masses (W mass)



• Can be exploited in event reconstruction - kinematic fitting, et. al., used to eliminate jet energy scale









• An era of precision measurements - still dominating many parameters 25 years later...

After 5 years at LEP1: per-mille level precision  $N_v = 2.984 \pm 0.008$ Γ<sub>Z</sub> = 2495.2 ± 2.3 MeV m<sub>z</sub> = 91187.5 ± 2.1 MeV  $\alpha_s = 0.1190 \pm 0.0025$ 

Precision measurements could predict the top and Higgs masses prior to discovery



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The answers to these questions have to be *outside* of the Standard Model!

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# The Way Forward

- What we do know:

  - Most hints for new phenomena come from the electroweak + Higgs sector: Expect some new particles to be charged under electroweak interactions
- What we don't know:
  - The energy scale of new particles / phenomena

• The Higgs is connected to all particles we know - and is at the center of some of our questions

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With the "completion" of the standard model: No certainty - and no clear indication of the energy scale of new phenomena

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# Asking for Directions

Promising Areas for a New Precision Program

- Study with highest precision what has not yet been scrutinized in depth: The Higgs Boson, the top quark
- Revisit areas of previous precision exploits with a whole new level of scrutiny: The Z pole: Electroweak, QCD, flavour; the W boson
- Explore the unknown: Search for new phenomena at high energies, and with extreme luminosity / sensitivity at lower energies

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searches for weakly coupled new particles with high luminosity / high energy in a clean environment







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Bringing together physics goals and collider energy



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Thresholds and cross sections set collider energy targets:

91.2 GeV - The Z pole

160 GeV - The WW threshold

250 GeV - The ZH maximum

350 GeV - The top threshold, **VBF** Higgs production

**500 GeV** - ttH, ZHH

**1+ TeV** - VBF double Higgs

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- 240 250 GeV: the minimum energy for a Higgs factory
- ~ 350 GeV: Additional production mode, also still access to ZH
- Higher energies: More processes
- 125 GeV, and extreme luminosity: A possibility to measure electron Yukawa coupling

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More details, and a discussion of different facilities: Lectures of Roderic Bruce.



Conceptual differences in physics reach



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Future Hadron Colliders HL-CHC

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- new acceleration
  - technology
- as source for other
  - accelerators






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~ 3 TeV





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A Circular Collider Story







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together: 50+ years from first e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collisions to completion of pp program

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A Balance between Physics Interest and Accelerator Technology Constraints

• Options are being studied:









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# Lecture 1 Wrap-up

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### Conclusions Key Points Part 1

- Lepton and hadron colliders have been instrumental in firmly establishing the Standard Model. The next generation of experiments needs to show where it breaks.
- Global agreement: a e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> Higgs-Elektroweak-Top Factory as the next step:
  - A new era of precision measurements, profiting from benign background conditions, well-defined initial state, and low physics backgrounds. Qualitative differences wrt to (HL-)LHC - features such as model-independent Higgs boson measurements
  - Different possible realisations linear or circular, each with specific strengths and weaknesses  $\bullet$







# Perspectives: Physics Emphasis & Collider Geometry

In broad strokes

• e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collider geometry determines experimental focus beyond the core Higgsstrahlung program:

### Circular:

extreme statistics at the Z pole and W threshold: precision electroweak







### Linear:

reach to (multi-)TeV energy - double higgs production, high energy exploration







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• Circular colliders: 3 orders of magnitude more Z's: Tera-Z vs Giga-Z • Both: Similar at Higgs, top threshold (also consider polarisation!)

 Linear colliders: The only path (significantly) beyond tt with e+ettH, direct measurement of Higgs self coupling, extended BSM reach





