

Higgs self-coupling possibilities at a multi-TeV Muon Collider

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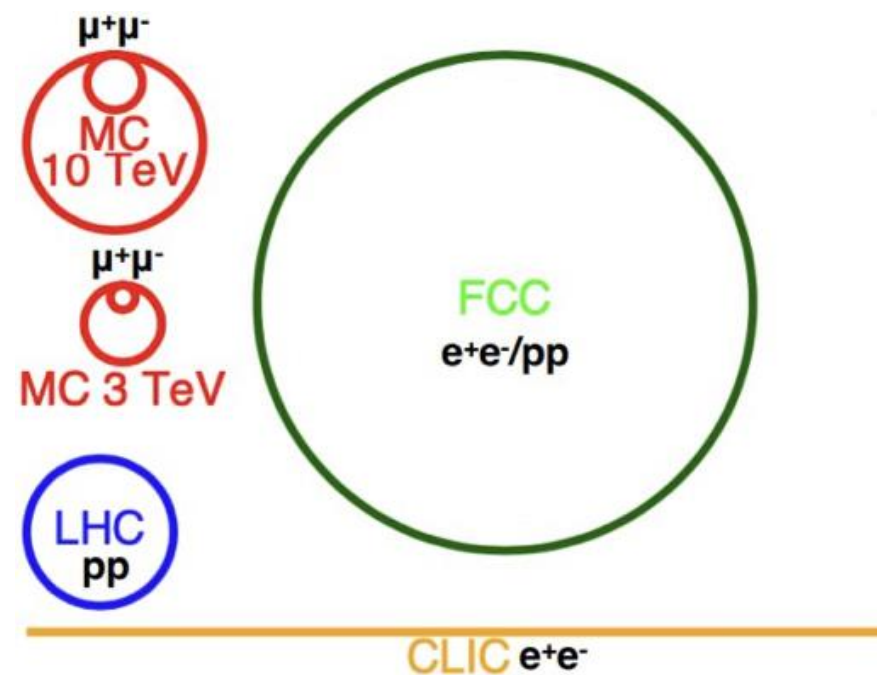
- A Muon Collider is being considered as an option for a next generation accelerator facility
- Studies at 3 and 10 TeV showed several advantages but also technological challenges

Muon Collider pros:

- $m_\mu \gg m_e$ hence negligible synchrotron radiation
- **Point-like particle**: all energy is available for the collision
- Perfect for direct search of new heavy states
- Low QCD background wrt to hadronic machines
- **broad physics reach**: SM precision tests, BSM direct and indirect search, lepton flavour universality tests

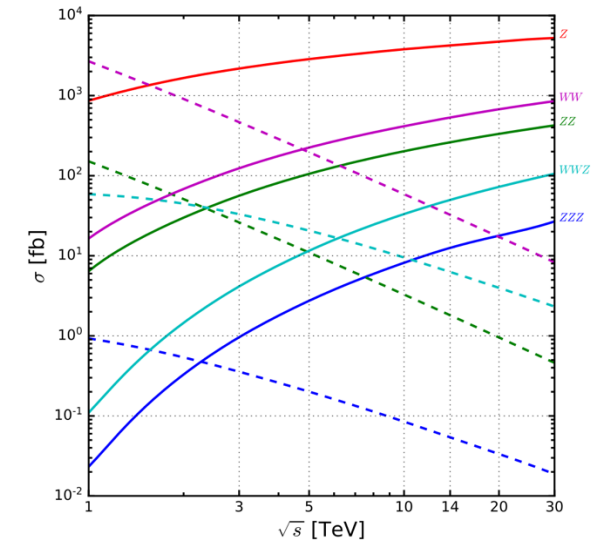
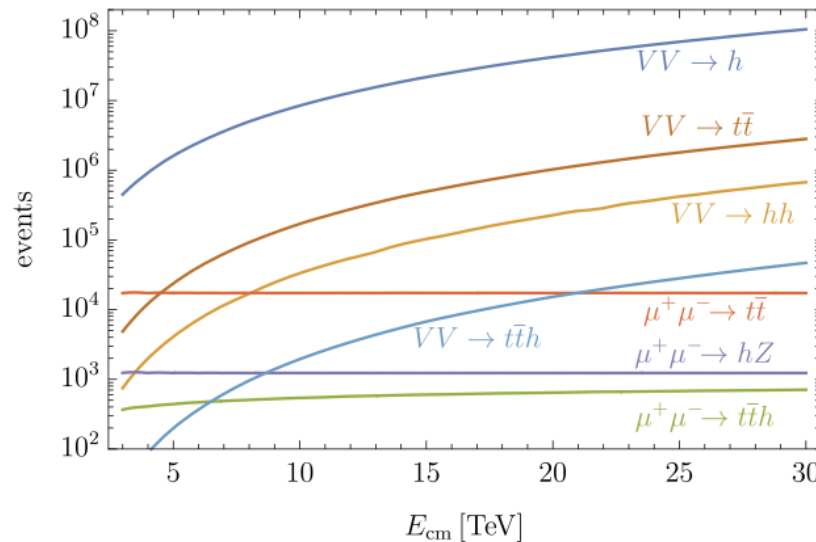
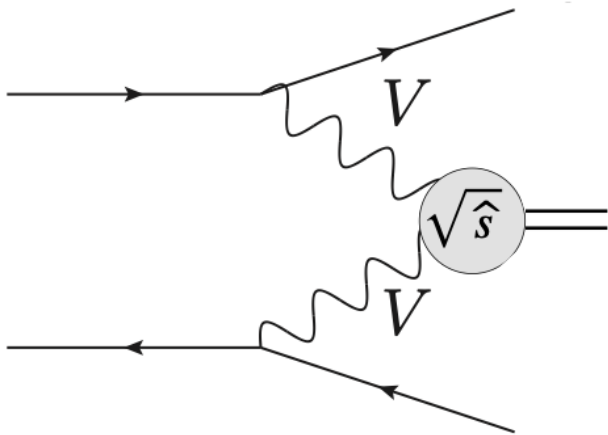
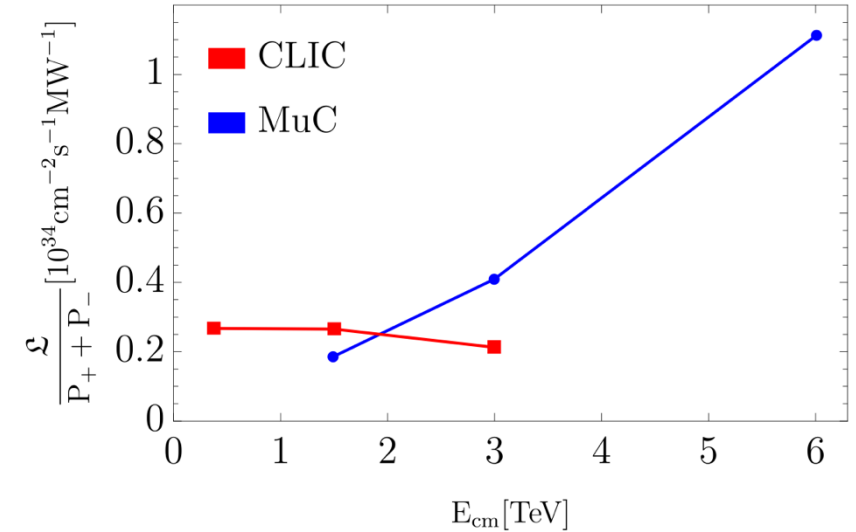
Muon Collider cons:

- $\tau_0 = 2.2 \mu\text{s}$: very fast cooling and fast-ramping magnet system needed
- μ decay + interaction with machine: **beam-induced background (BIB)**, partially shielded by nozzles
- **Intensive neutrino flux**



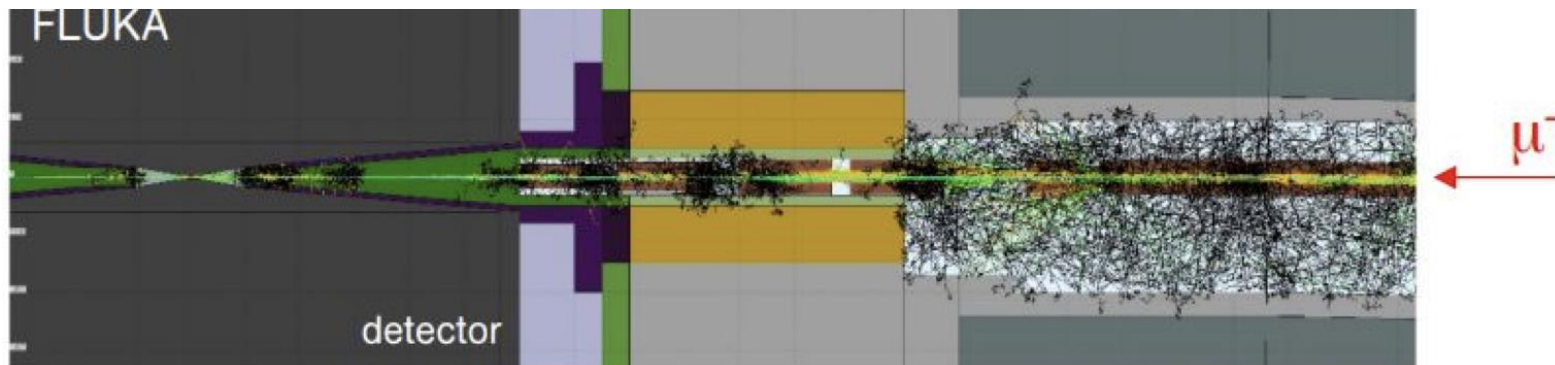
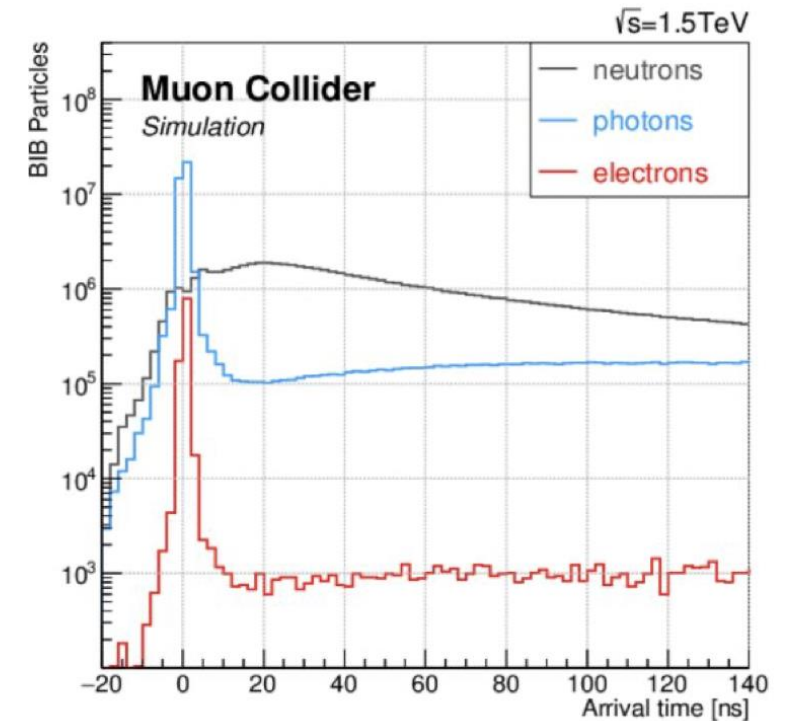
The unique high-energy path

- **Unique** combination of properties at **higher energies**
 - VBF fusion XS increases with energy
 - No QCD background and small annihilation XS -> clean physics environment
 - Possibility to do precision electroweak physics
 - Lumi/power ratio improves linearly with energy



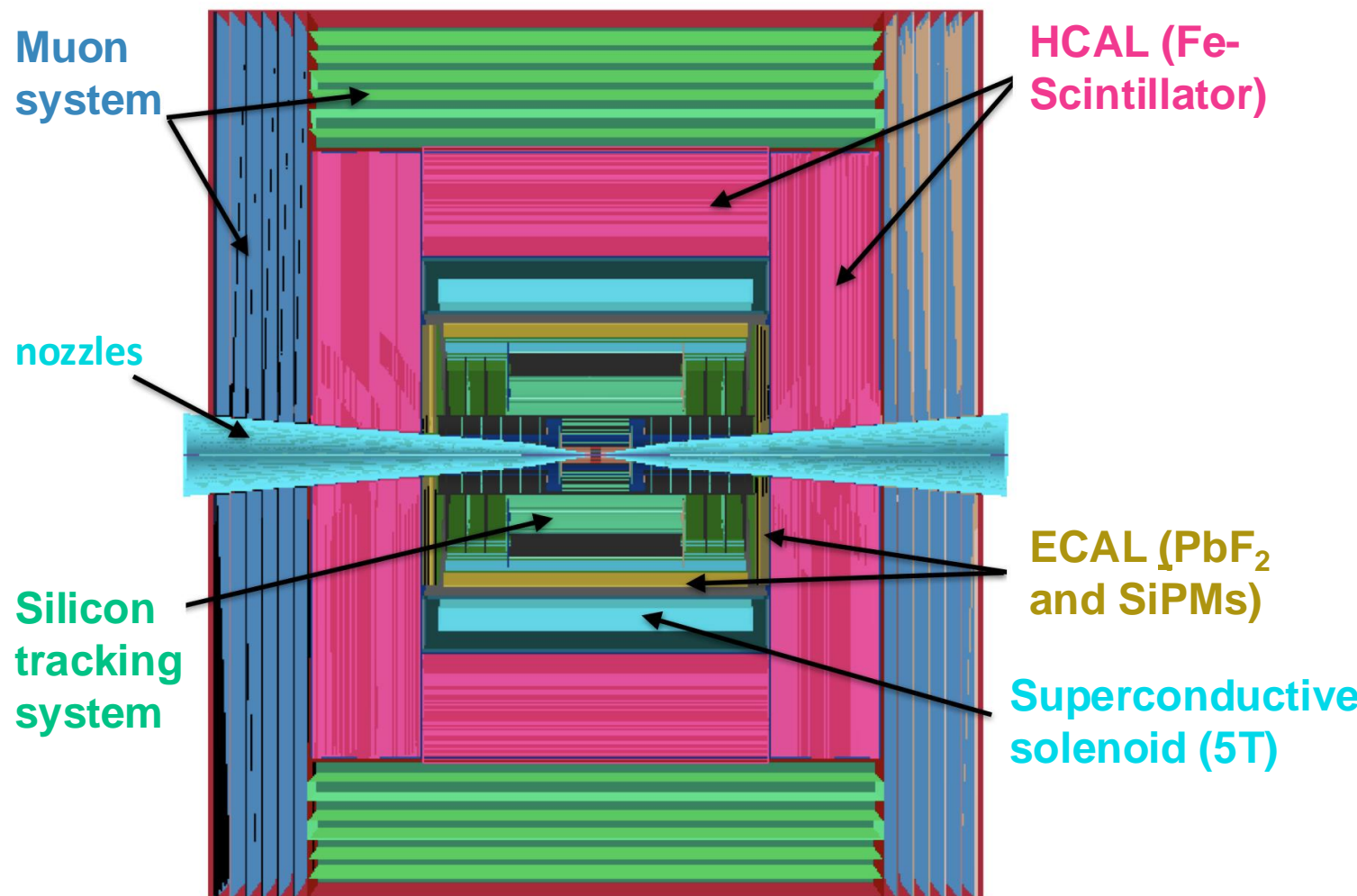
Beam Induced Background

- Muons decay \rightarrow decay products interact with machine elements
- \rightarrow **Tungsten nozzles** mitigate radiation coming to the detector
- Still working on the MDI optimization for 10 TeV
- Despite the nozzles \rightarrow **intense fluxes of particles reach the detector:**
 - high multiplicity of particles in the tracker (mainly in first layers)
 - diffuse low-energy background in calorimeters
- BIB is off-time wrt bunch crossing \rightarrow algorithms and detectors tailored to exploit these features
- Innovative techniques and optimised algorithms are fundamental to mitigate the impact of BIB



10 TeV Detector concept

- **Main physics requirements** → ability to reconstruct:
 - boosted low-pT physics objects from Standard Model processes;
 - central energetic physics objects from decays of BSM massive states;
 - exotic experimental signatures: disappearing tracks, displaced leptons, displaced photons or jets, ...
- **Machine background conditions:** high levels of BIB dictates technological choices, reconstructed algorithms and detector design
- Studies at 3 TeV performed with a legacy detector concept from CLIC

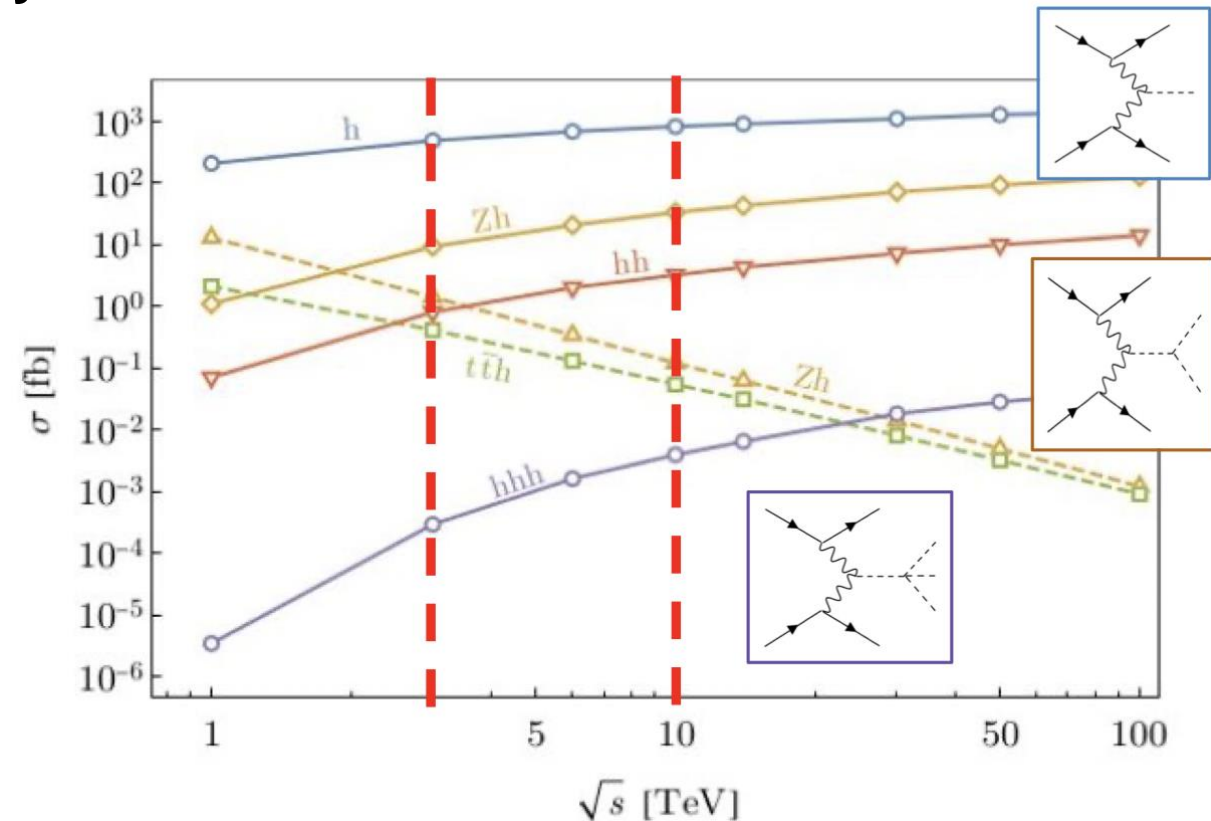


The last ESPPU identified Higgs Physics as the main physics target at future colliders:

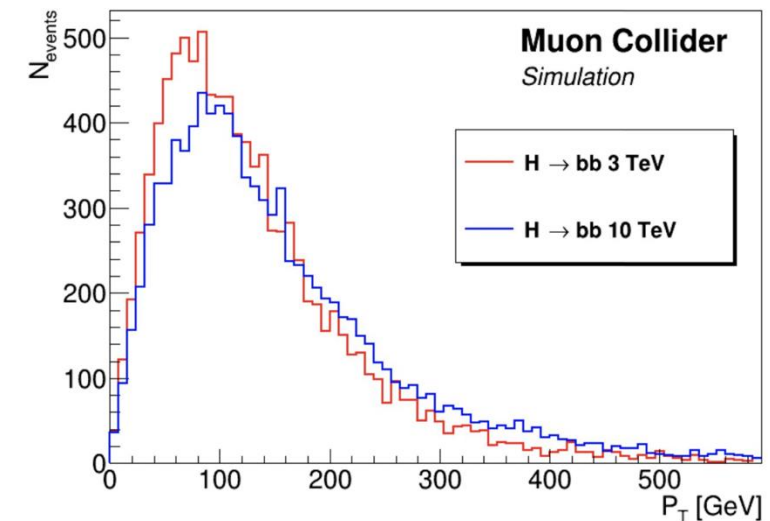
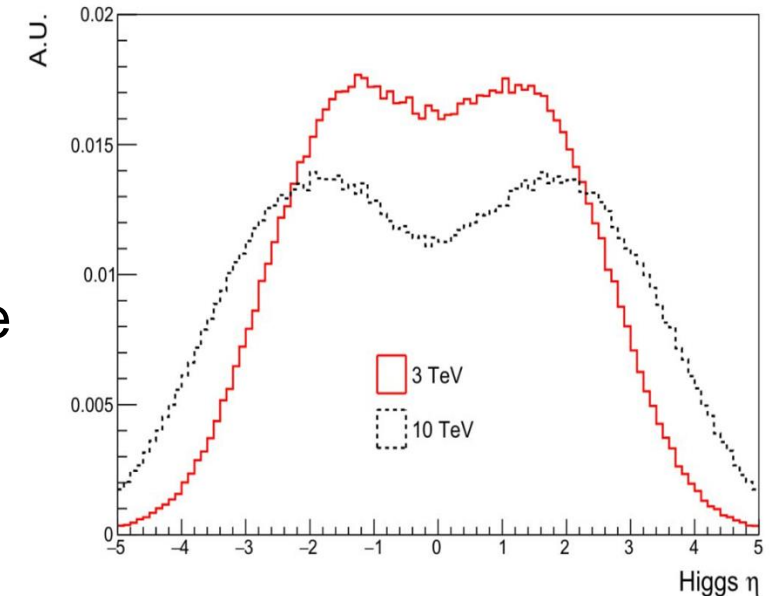
- Measure Higgs couplings to fermions and bosons at $\sim O(1\%)$ level
- Measure Higgs potential with multi-Higgs processes

The **Muon Collider** is by all means a **Higgs factory**

Energy	Luminosity	number of Higgs
3 TeV	1 ab^{-1}	5×10^5
10 TeV	10 ab^{-1}	9.5×10^6
14 TeV	20 ab^{-1}	2.2×10^7
30 TeV	90 ab^{-1}	1.2×10^9



- **Higgs Physics at 10 TeV is similar to 3 TeV**
 - Objects **more boosted** in the forward region
 - Transverse momentum distributions similar
- While configuring 10 TeV detector, a study has been done for Higgs Physics at 3 TeV, using **detailed detector simulation**
- Main purposes of [this work](#):
 - Prove that **BIB is under control**
 - Compare results with the no-BIB case
- List of studies:
 - Higgs cross-sections (bb, WW*, ZZ*, $\mu\mu$, $\gamma\gamma$)
 - Higgs width Γ
 - Double Higgs cross-section (**This talk**)
 - Trilinear self-coupling λ_3 (**This talk**)



Results at 3 TeV: realistic vs. no BIB case

- Results of full simulation compared with studies obtained without BIB
- Results are overall in **good agreement** in most channels
- → **BIB is under control**

Decay channel	With BIB	Without BIB
$H \rightarrow bb$	0.75%	0.76%
$H \rightarrow WW$	2.9%	1.7%
$H \rightarrow ZZ$	17%	11%
$H \rightarrow \mu\mu$	38%	40%
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	7.6%	6.1%

- We are confident to reach the results obtained by phenomenological studies despite the BIB presence

Coupling precisions and potential

- **Coupling measurements** simulated with full and parametric simulations → results are consistent and very close to the phenomenological studies
 - See talk from A. Montella on single Higgs couplings
- **Di-Higgs** production is sensitive to **trilinear Higgs self-coupling λ_3**
 - Extrapolation to higher energies and luminosities from pheno studies → **Muon Collider provides competitive results wrt other machines**
- Possibility to access **Higgs quartic self-coupling λ_4** (only pheno study for now), expectations: **$\delta\lambda_4 = 50\%$ at $E_{\text{com}} = 14 \text{ TeV}$ with 20 ab^{-1}**

The Muon Collider is **definitely competitive** in the landscape of future colliders

- After HL-LHC a MuCol would improve more the sensitivity wrt FCC-ee, except for Z and c couplings

	HL-LHC	HL-LHC +10 TeV	HL-LHC +10 TeV + ee
κ_W	1.7	0.1	0.1
κ_Z	1.5	0.4	0.1
κ_g	2.3	0.7	0.6
κ_γ	1.9	0.8	0.8
$\kappa_{Z\gamma}$	10	7.2	7.1
κ_c	-	2.3	1.1
κ_b	3.6	0.4	0.4
κ_μ	4.6	3.4	3.2
κ_τ	1.9	0.6	0.4
κ_t^*	3.3	3.1	3.1

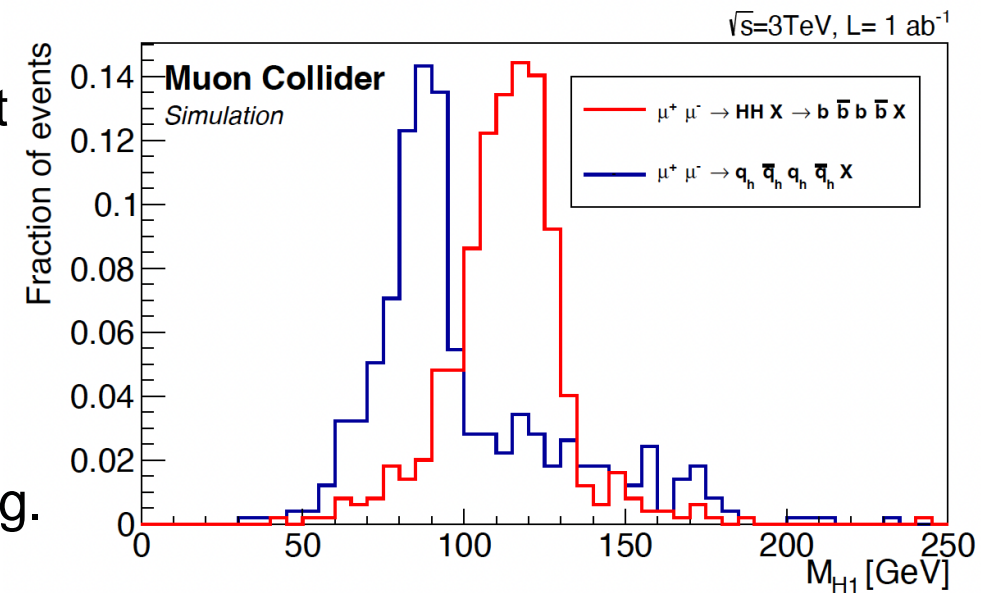
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Experiment	Luminosity	COM Energy	$\delta\lambda_3$
CLIC	5 ab^{-1}	3 TeV	-7%,+11%
ILC	8 ab^{-1}	1 TeV	10%
FCC-hh	30 ab^{-1}	100 TeV	3%
Muon Collider	2 ab^{-1}	3 TeV	15%
Muon Collider	10 ab^{-1}	10 TeV	3.5%
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Muon Collider	90 ab^{-1}	30 TeV	1%

Requires more time than MuC

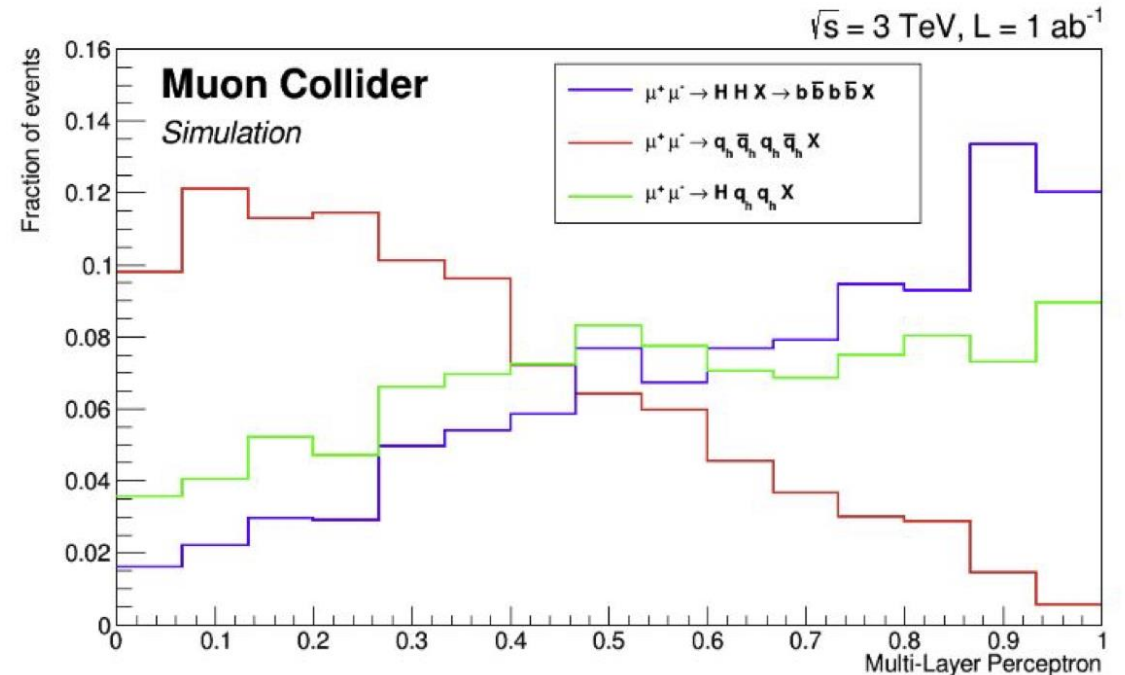
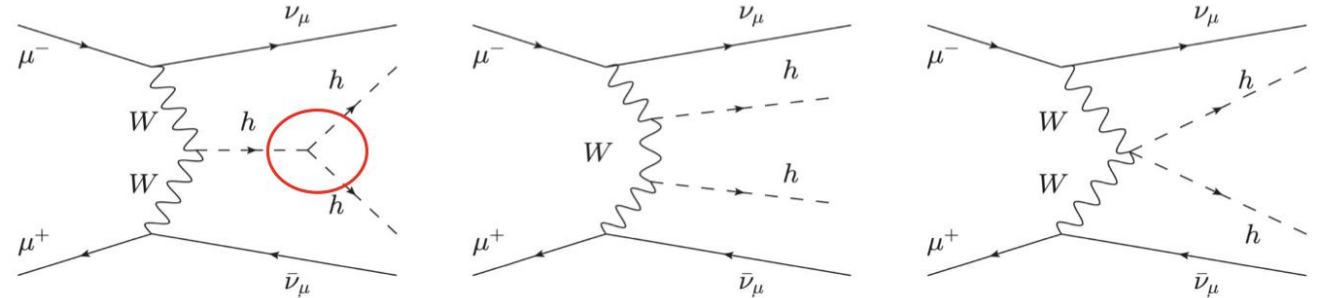
- Di-Higgs production is particularly sensitive to trilinear Higgs self-coupling λ_3
- Here **only the $HH \rightarrow bbbb$ channel has been considered**
- Event selection: **4 jets with $p_T > 20$ GeV e $|\eta| < 2.5$**
 - HH candidates are obtained by minimising $\sqrt{[(m_{12} - m_H)^2 + (m_{34} - m_H)^2]}$
 - B-jet tagging identification algorithms required for one jet per di-jet pair
- **Neural Network** to separate signal from background
- Result at 3 TeV with 1 ab^{-1} in 5y: **$\Delta\sigma/\sigma \sim 33\%$**
- At 10 TeV we can combine this result with other channels, e.g. **$HH \rightarrow bbWW$**

- **Background:**
double quark-antiquark production (very abundant at LHC, small at muon collider)



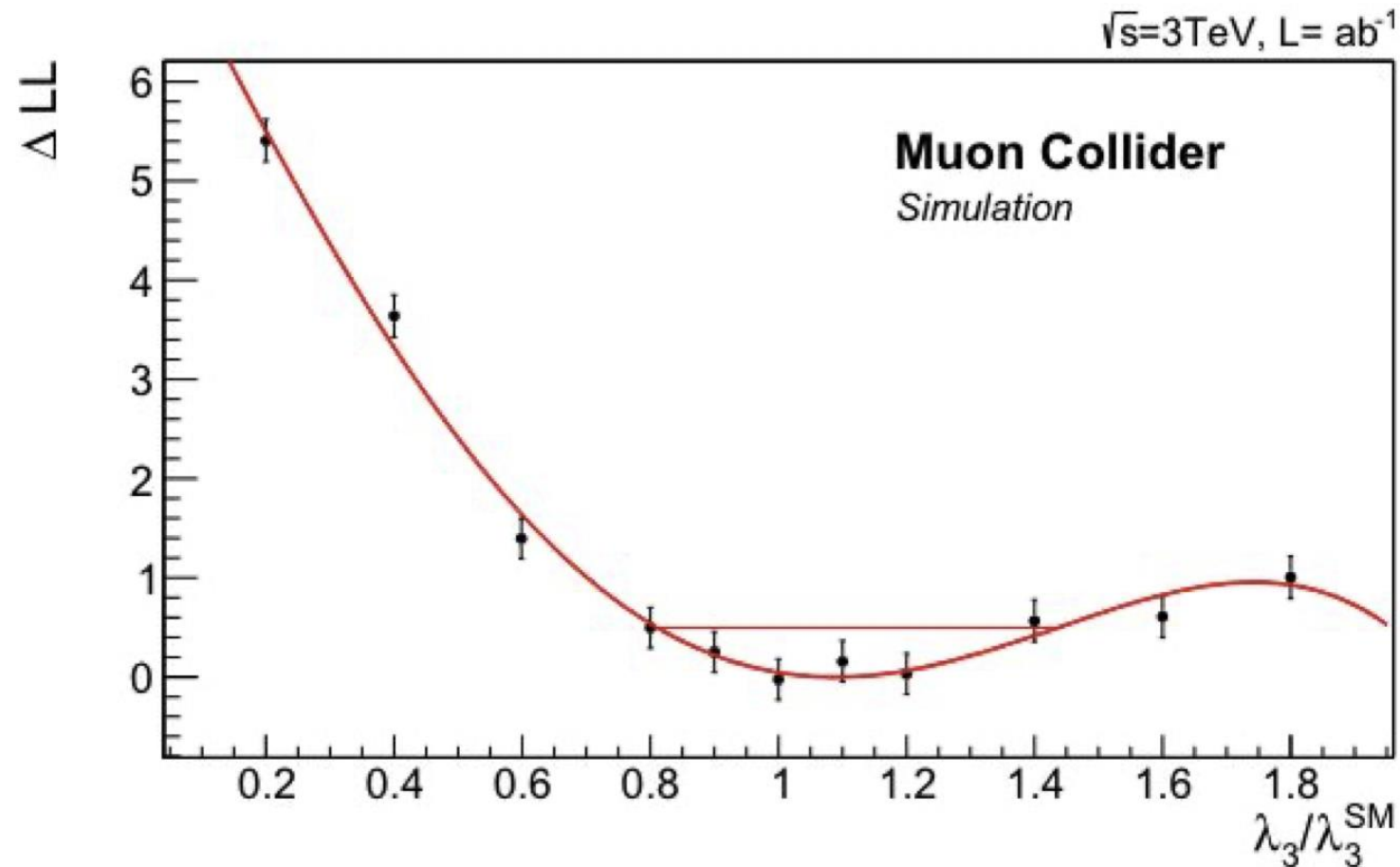
Trilinear coupling from Di-Higgs

- $HH \rightarrow bbbb$ can be used to probe the precision on the **trilinear Higgs self-coupling λ_3**
- Samples of $HH \rightarrow bbbb$ have been simulated with WHIZARD for different values of $\kappa_\lambda = \lambda_3 / \lambda_{SM}$
- Two MLPs are used to separate:
 - $HH \rightarrow bbbb$ from backgrounds
 - Trilinear contribution from other HH processes
- Pseudo-datasets are generated from 2D distributions of the two MLPs outputs
- Maximum-likelihood template fit performed for each κ_λ hypothesis



Trilinear coupling: results at 3 TeV

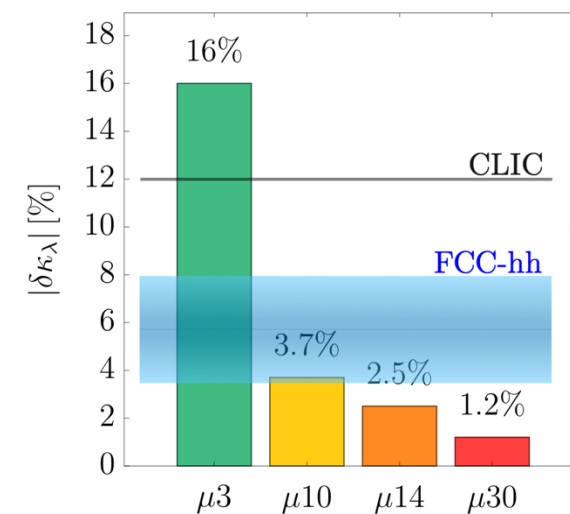
- Result: bound $0.81 < \kappa_\lambda < 1.44$ at 68% CL for 3 TeV, 1 ab^{-1} in 5y
- Good precision despite 0.3 fb XS
- Full simulation study shows **comparable** results wrt expectations from pheno studies (15% at 3 TeV with 2 ab^{-1})
- Pheno studies extrapolation show that very high energy Muon Colliders ($> 10 \text{ TeV}$) provide the most precise results among all future colliders



Going towards 10 TeV

- Having understood the 3 TeV case, we are studying the **10 TeV Muon Collider**
 - **Detector concept defined**
- Several considerations can be done:
 - BIB is going to impact **as 3 TeV case** (or even **less** with MDI well optimised)
 - **Reconstruction algorithm to be optimized**
 - Algorithms will be **tailored** for physics cases (e.g. ML for jets reconstruction)
- **The Muon Collider is one of the most interesting machine to study Higgs Physics**
 - Surpasses FCC-ee, except for a few decay channels and width measurements
 - Competitive with FCC-hh
 - Only parametric studies for now and requiring more time than MuC

Object	Requirements
muons	$\frac{\Delta p_T}{p_T} = 0.4\%$
photons	$\frac{\Delta E}{E} = 3\%$
jets	$\frac{\Delta p_T}{p_T} = 15\%$
<i>b</i> -jets	$\frac{\Delta p_T}{p_T} = 15\%$ <i>b</i> efficiency = 60 % <i>c</i> mistag = 20 %
<i>b</i> -jets (for λ_3)	$\frac{\Delta p_T}{p_T} = 10\%$ <i>b</i> efficiency = 76 % <i>c</i> mistag = 20%



Summary + take home message

- Precision Higgs Physics will be the next milestone for future colliders
- The Muon Collider provides **clear advantages**:
 - Several high energy stages (at 10 TeV and beyond)
 - High statistics and access to multi-Higgs processes
 - Higgs physics reach competitive with FCC-hh, above FCC-ee (in almost all observables)
- Together with some important challenges:
 - R&D effort to satisfy machine requirements
 - Detector and algorithms optimisation to cope with **BIB presence**
- **Higgs physics at 10 TeV is similar to 3 TeV**
 - The 3 TeV Higgs physics case has been well understood
 - Study with detailed detector simulation provides **excellent agreement with pheno parametric studies**
 - This study paves the way to future studies at 10 TeV in time for the next ESPPU

