

# Theory status of the $W$ -pair threshold scan

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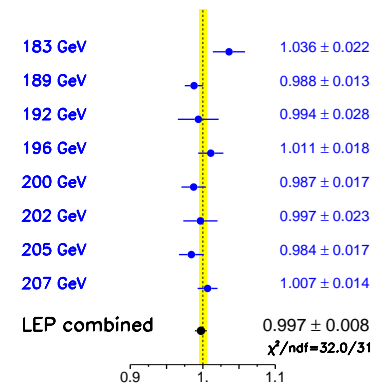
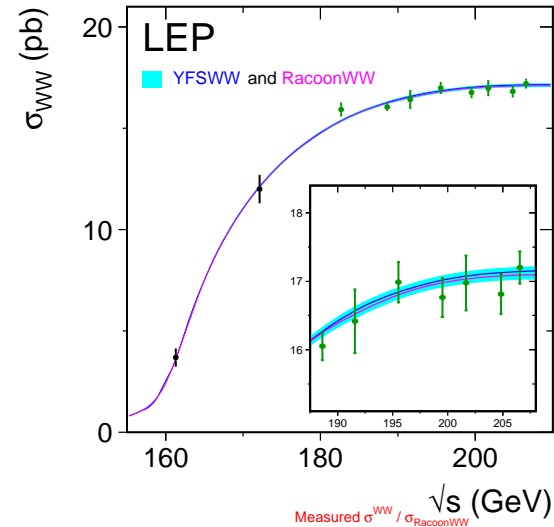
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## W-pair production

### Success story at LEP2:

- $\sigma_{WW}$ : 1%-level agreement with **NLO theory**
- ⇒ test of EW-sector of SM at **quantum level**
- measurement of branching ratios (lepton universality)
- bounds on anomalous **triple vector-boson couplings**
- ⇒ test of non-abelian structure
- **W-mass measurement** from kinematic reconstruction (+  $\sigma_{WW}$  at threshold)

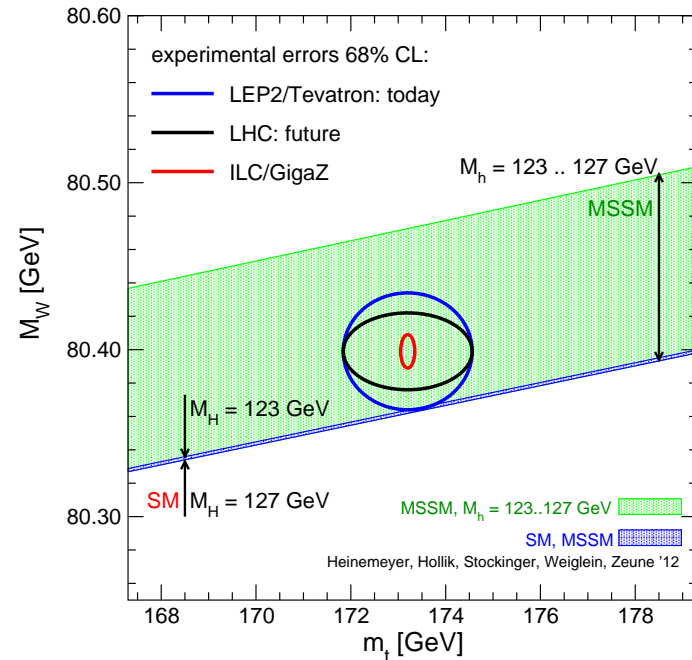


## Future $e^+e^-$ colliders

several concepts:

- LEP3/TLEP (240-350 GeV)
- ILC (500 GeV-1TeV),
- CLIC ( $\leq 3$  TeV)

## Projected accuracy of $m_W$ measurement:

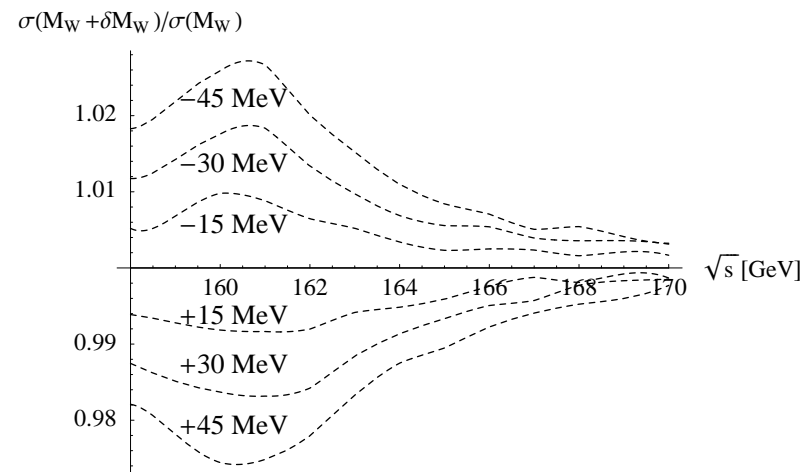
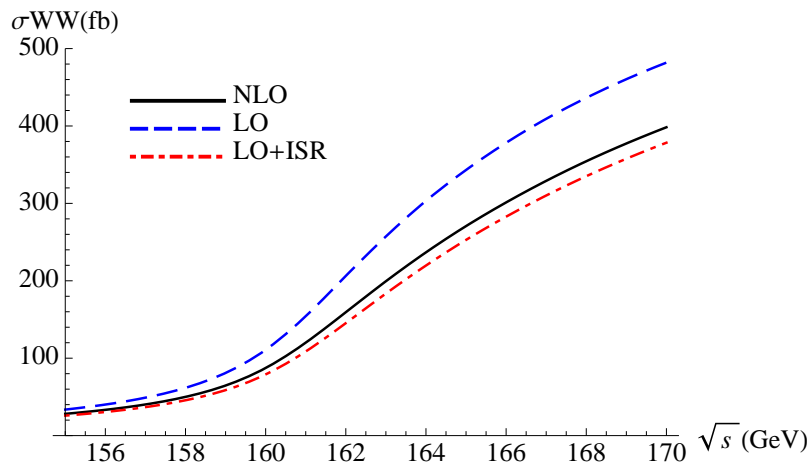


	LHC	LHC	ILC/GigaZ	ILC	ILC	ILC	TLEP	SM prediction
$\sqrt{s}$ [TeV]	14	14	0.091	0.161	0.161	0.250	0.161	-
$\mathcal{L}$ [fb $^{-1}$ ]	300	3000		100	480	500	3000 $\times$ 4	-
$\Delta M_W$ [MeV]	8	5	-	4.1-4.5	2.3-2.9	3.6	1.2	4.2(3.0)
$\Delta \sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell$ [ $10^{-5}$ ]	36	21	1.3	-	-	-	0.3	3.0(2.6)

(Snowmass EW report 13)

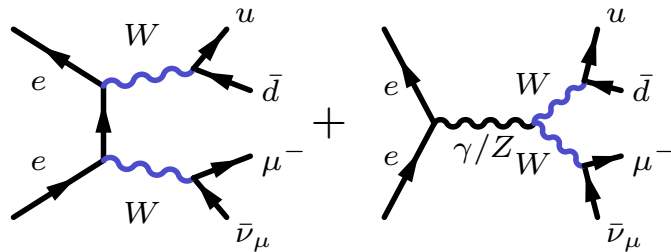
## Theory requirements:

- **ILC**  $\Delta M_W \lesssim 4$  MeV from threshold scan  
 $\Leftrightarrow \Delta\sigma_{WW} \ll 1\%$  prediction for  $\sqrt{s} \sim 160 - 170$  GeV
- **TLEP** goal  $\Delta M_W < 1$  MeV  
 theory uncertainty dominant!

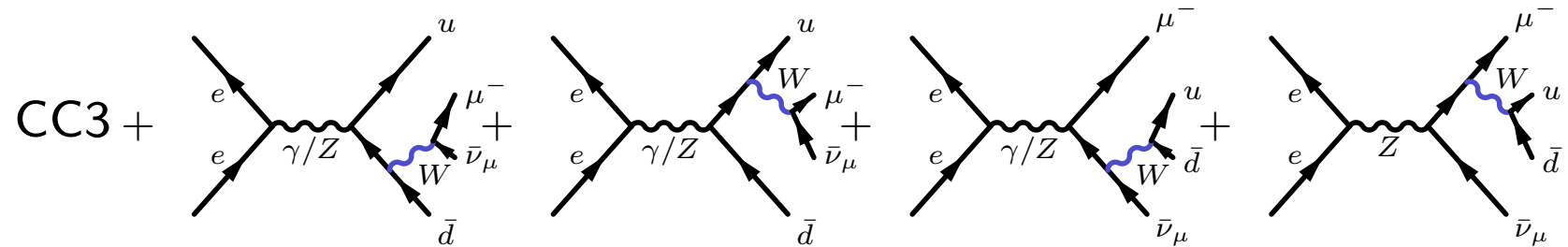


4-fermion production at tree level, e.g.  $e^-e^+ \rightarrow \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu u \bar{d}$

Double resonant ('signal') diagrams (CC3):



But 10 diagrams in total:



Only sum gauge invariant

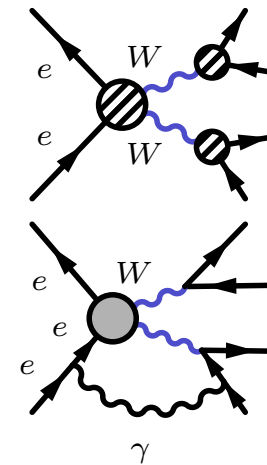
Need consistent scheme for finite width effects:

(Beenakker et al. 96)

$\sqrt{s}$	200 GeV	500 GeV	1 TeV	5 TeV
Running width	672.96(3)	225.45(3)	62.17(1)	123.76(1)
Constant width	673.08(4)	224.05(3)	56.90(1)	2.212(6)

## NLO calculations in double pole approximation

- **Factorizable** corrections to production, decay of **on-shell**  $W$ s
- **Nonfactorizable** soft photon corrections  
(Berends et al. 98; Denner et al. 99)
- Implemented in Monte-Carlo programs used at LEP2: RacoonWW (Denner et al. 99), YFSWW (Jadach et al. 99)

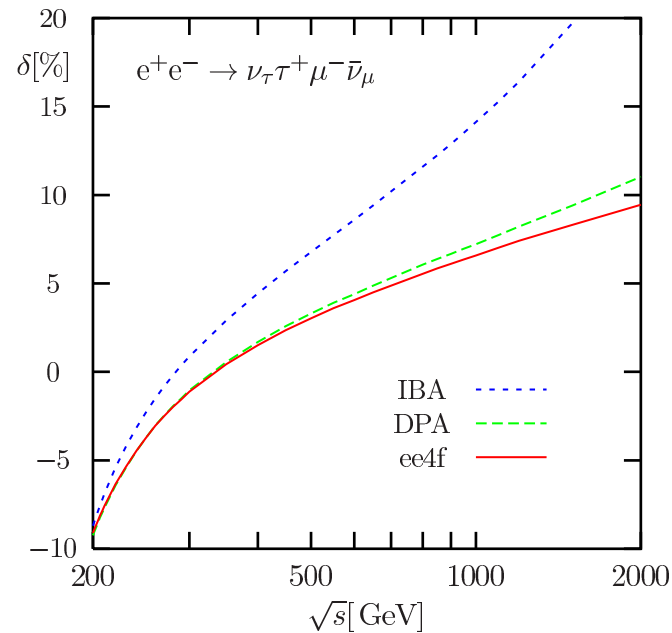
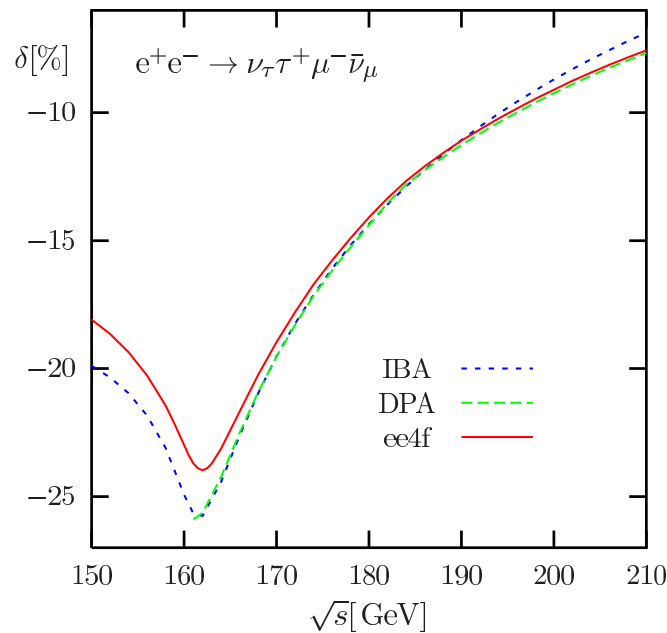
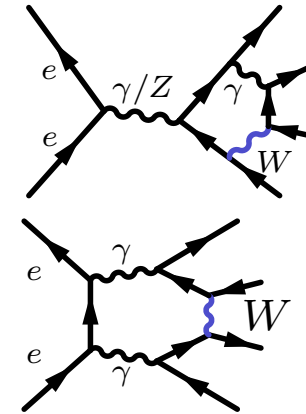


## Theory developments after LEP2:

- **Complete NLO** calculation for charged current  $e^+e^- \rightarrow 4f$   
(Denner et al. 05)
- **Log-enhanced NNLO** corrections for  $\hat{s} \gg M_W$   
 $\Rightarrow$  **CLIC** (Kühn et al. 07)
- NLO and **leading NNLO** correction in threshold expansion  
 $\Rightarrow$  **MegaW/TLEP** (Beneke et al. 07, Actis et al. 08)

## Full NLO calculation for $e^+e^- \rightarrow 4f$ (Denner, Dittmaier, Roth, Wieders 05)

- More than 1000 1-loop diagrams
- 5-point, 6-point loop integrals
- ⇒ new methods for six-point diagrams
- fully differential calculation
- **complex mass scheme**: replace  $M^2 \rightarrow M^2 - iM\Gamma$ , everywhere, e.g.  $\cos \theta_w = \frac{M_W}{M_Z}$



Enhanced corrections in **threshold limit**  $\beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M_W^2}{s}} \rightarrow 0$ :

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**EFT approach:**

(Beneke/Falgari/CS/Signer/Zanderighi 07)

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**Leading NNLO corrections**

- 2nd Coulomb correction  $\sim \alpha^2/\beta^2 \sim \alpha$  (Fadin et al. 95)
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- non-resonant NLO corrections  
included in  $\text{NLO}_{\text{ee4f}}$  but not in  $\text{NLO}_{\text{EFT}}$ :  $\Delta\sigma_{WW} \sim 1\%$
- leading NNLO corrections:  $\Delta\sigma_{WW} \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{‰}) \Rightarrow [\delta M_W]_{\text{C2}} < 4 \text{ MeV}$



## ISR: resum leading logs

$$\beta_e = \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \left( 2 \log \left( \frac{2M_W}{m_e} \right) - 1 \right)$$

in electron structure functions:

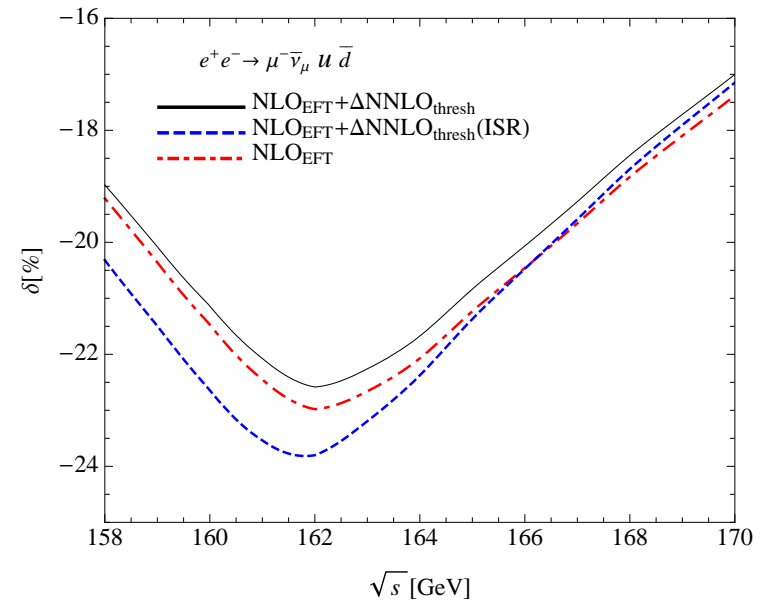
(Skrzypek 92)

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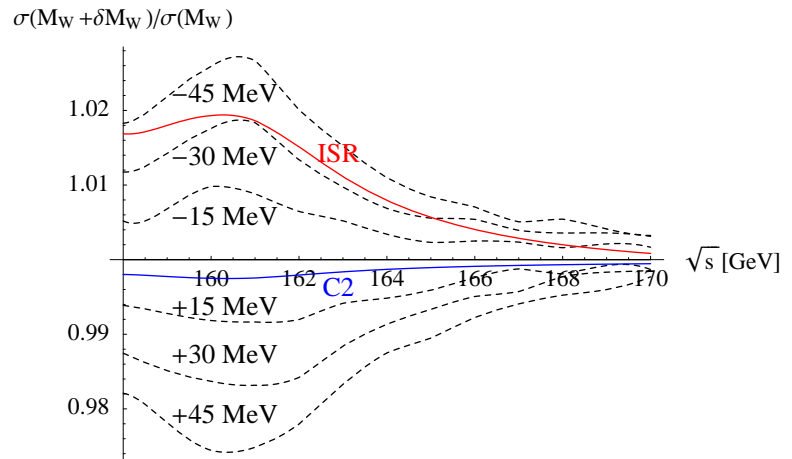
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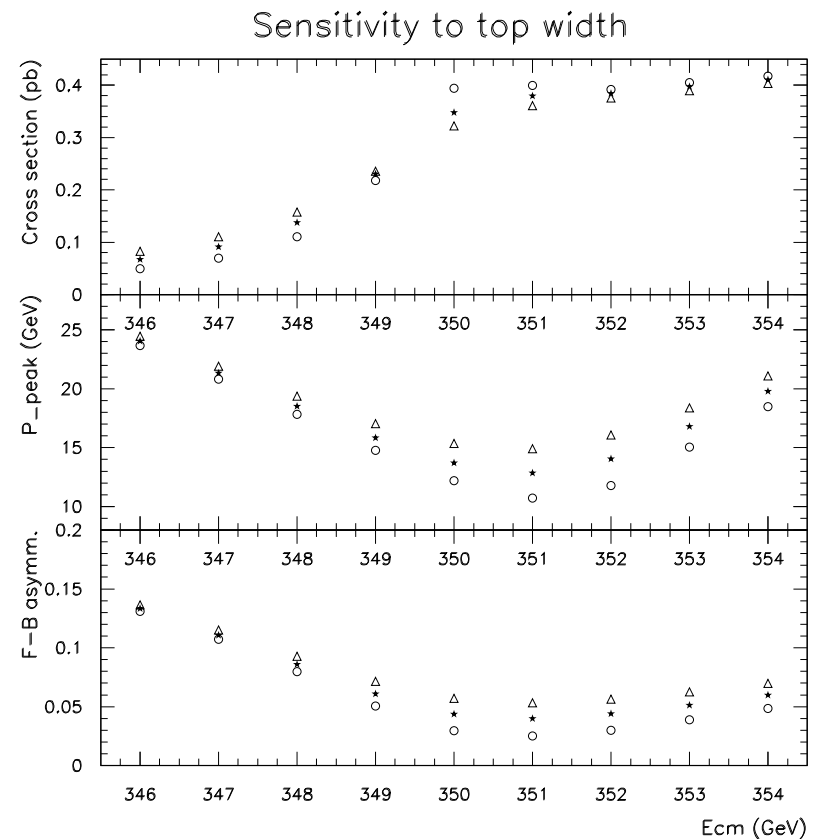
$$\Rightarrow [\delta M_W]_{\text{ISR}} \approx 30 \text{ MeV}$$

$\Rightarrow$  NLL resummation important



## $t\bar{t}$ threshold scan

- bound-state peak sensitive to  $\Gamma_t$
- $\Delta\Gamma_t = 32 \text{ MeV}$  ( $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  ILC)  
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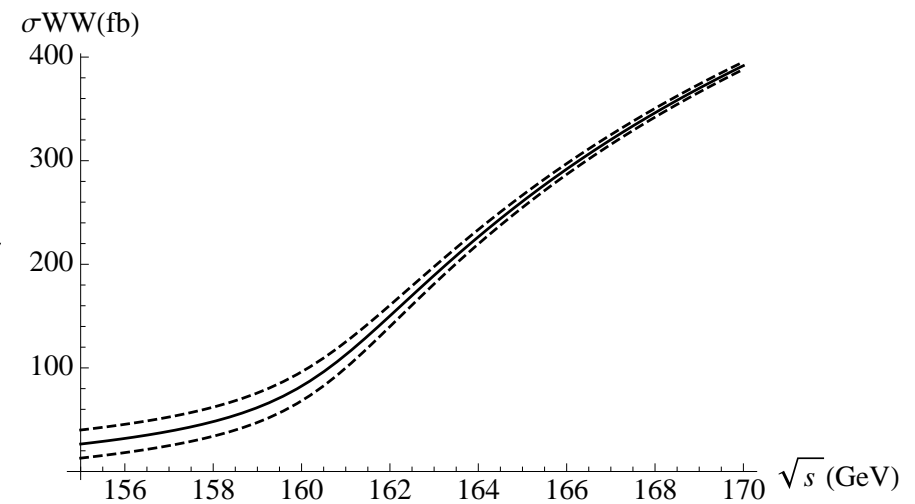
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## $WW$ threshold scan

- no bound-state peak, sensitivity to  $\Gamma_W$  below threshold
- $\Delta\Gamma_W = 3 \text{ MeV}$  (PDG: 4.2 MeV) est. for  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  ILC (Wilson 01)
- interpretation as  $\alpha_s$  measurement



(preliminary, NLO EFT, no ISR,  
 $\Delta\Gamma_W = 20 \text{ MeV}$ .  $\text{Br}_{W \rightarrow ff}$  fixed.)

**$W$ -pair production** crucial process at any future  $e^+e^-$  collider

- $M_W$  measurement from threshold or direct reconstruction
- anomalous couplings

**$W$  mass measurement** from threshold scan:

- error  $\lesssim 5$  MeV needs  $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow 4f)$  with accuracy  $< 1\%$

**Full NLO corrections** to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow 4f$  (Denner et al. 05)

**Coulomb-enhanced NNLO corrections**  $\Delta M_W \lesssim 4$  MeV (Actis et al. 08)

**Largest remaining uncertainty:**

- NLL treatment of ISR

**Outlook**

- Updated comparison of EFT/4f results planned

## Future improvements of theory predictions?

### Doable in principle:

- NNLO  $\log \beta$ ,  $\log(s/m_e^2)$  terms
- NNLO Coulomb corrections near threshold for distributions

### Major effort, several years:

- NNLO EW corrections to on-shell  $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-$   
(current frontier: first NNLO QCD  $2 \rightarrow 2$  processes)

⇒ Input to full NNLO EFT calculation

Naive estimate for remaining uncertainty from cross-section calculation

$$\Delta\sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1\text{‰}), \Delta M_W < 1 \text{ MeV}$$

ISR uncertainty?

### Completely new methods needed:

- NNLO EW corrections to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow 4f$



## Estimate impact on mass measurement:

- Assume measurements  $O_i$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 160, 161, \dots, 164, 170$  GeV
- Minimize

$$\chi^2(\delta M_W) = \sum_{i=1}^6 \frac{(O_i - E_i(\delta M_W))^2}{2\sigma_i^2}.$$

where  $E_i(\delta M_W)$ : theoretical calculation for  $M_W = M_W^{\text{ref}} + \delta M_W$

- take  $O_i$ : NLO EFT ,  $E_i$ : Estimate of error



## Resum leading logs

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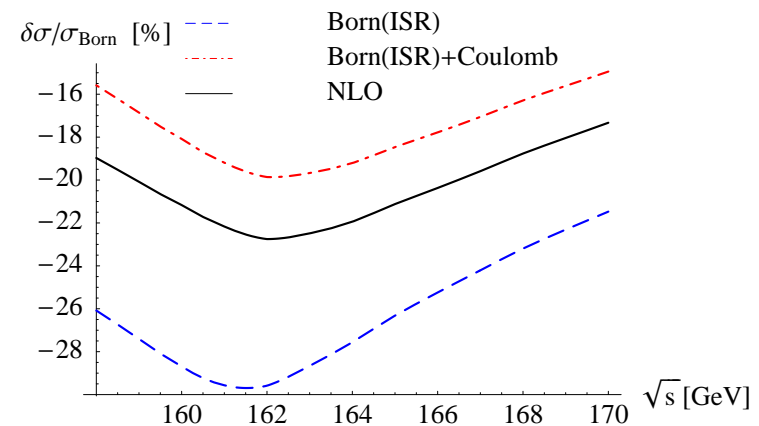
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with 
$$\Delta \hat{\sigma}_{\text{NLO}}(s) = \Delta \sigma_{\text{NLO}}(s) - 2 \frac{\beta_e}{4} \int_0^1 dx P(x) \sigma^{(0)}(xs)$$

## Results:

- $\sim -25\%$  corrections from ISR
- $\sim +8\%$  Coulomb correction
- $-3\%$  soft+hard corrections



## Enhanced Sudakov logarithms for high energies $s \gg M_W^2$

(Fadin et al. 00; Melles 01; Denner et al. 03; Beccaria et al. 03)

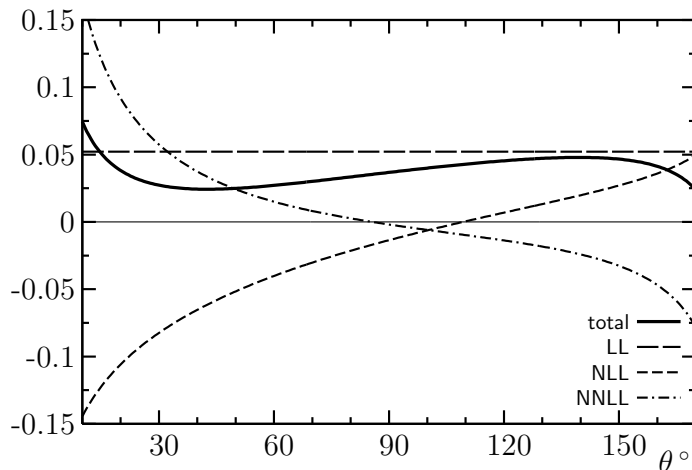
$$\underbrace{(\alpha \log^2(s/M_W^2))^n}_{\text{LL}}, \quad \underbrace{\alpha^n \log^{2n-1}(s/M_W^2)}_{\text{NLL}}, \quad \underbrace{\alpha^n \log^{2n-2}(s/M_W^2)}_{\text{NNLL}} \dots$$

- NNLO-NNLL corrections for on-shell  $W$ -pair production:

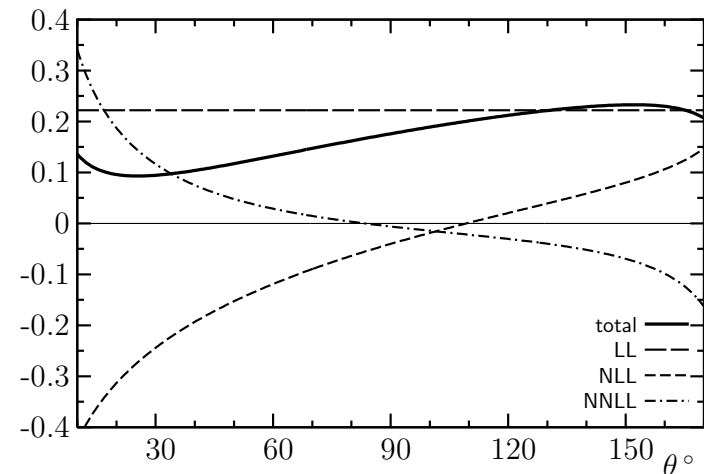
$\sim 5\%(s = 1 \text{ TeV}) - 15\%(s = 3 \text{ TeV})$

(Kühn/Penin/Metzler 07)

⇒ need to be taken into account at CLIC and 2nd phase of ILC



(transverse polarization)



1 TeV

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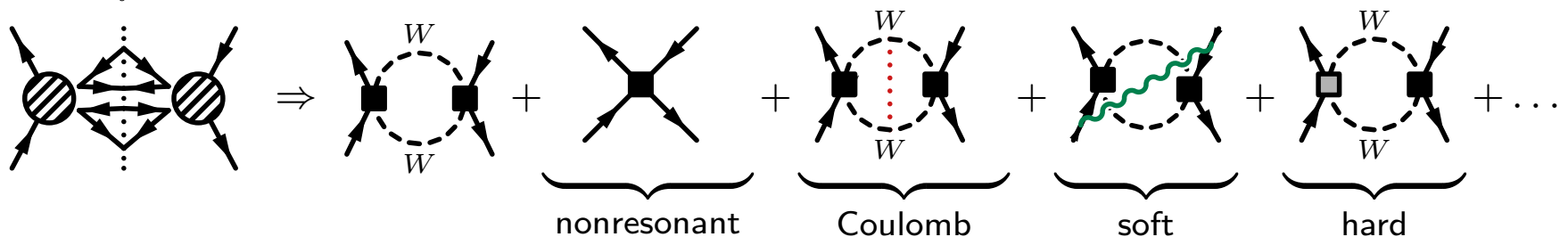
- expansion in  $\alpha \sim \frac{\Gamma_W}{M_W} \sim \frac{k_W^2 - M_W^2}{M_W^2}$
- EFT for non-relativistic  $W$ s, **soft** and **Coulomb** photons
- Coulomb correction cut off by finite  $W$ -width:

$$s - 4M_W^2 \sim M_W \Gamma_W \Rightarrow \beta \sim \sqrt{\Gamma_W / M_W}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Coulomb corrections  $\sim \alpha^n (M_W / \Gamma_W)^{n/2} \sim \alpha^{n/2}$

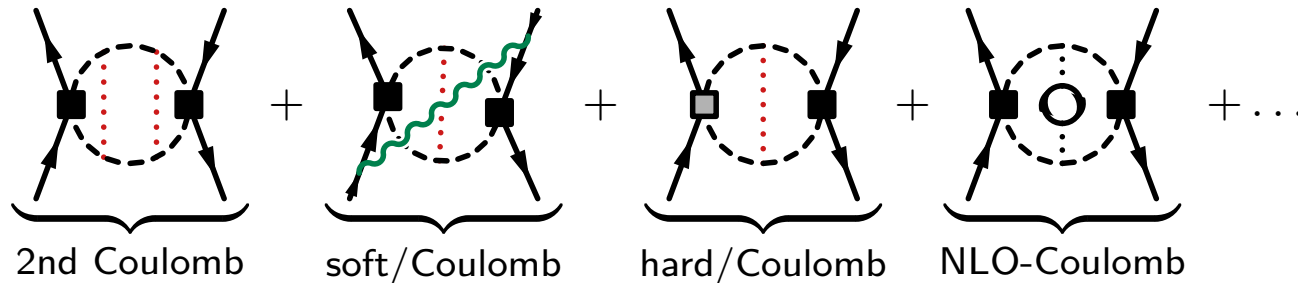
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- $\sigma_{4f}^{\text{tot}}$  from imaginary part of forward-scattering amplitude:



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