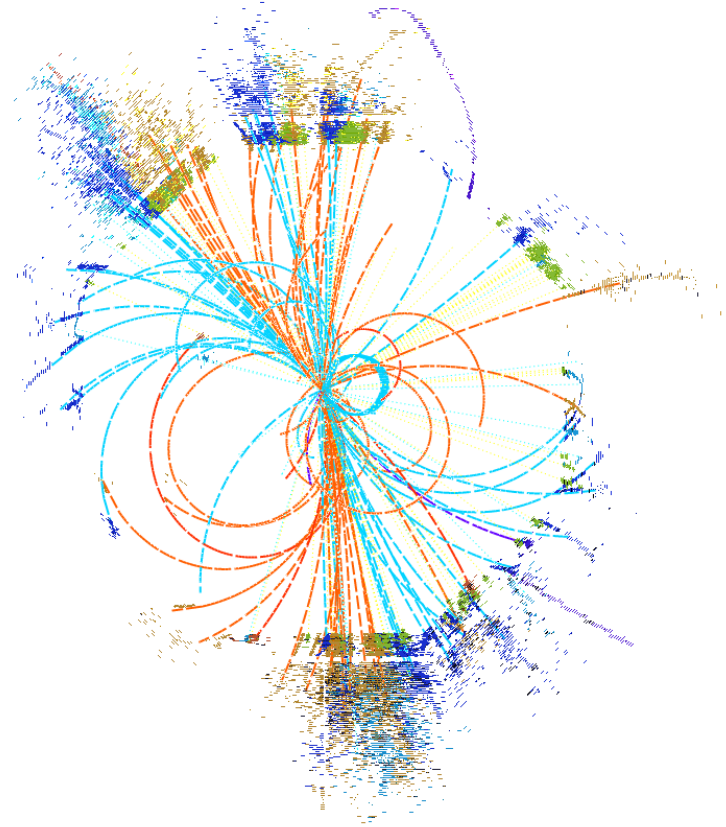


# Physics case for ALIC



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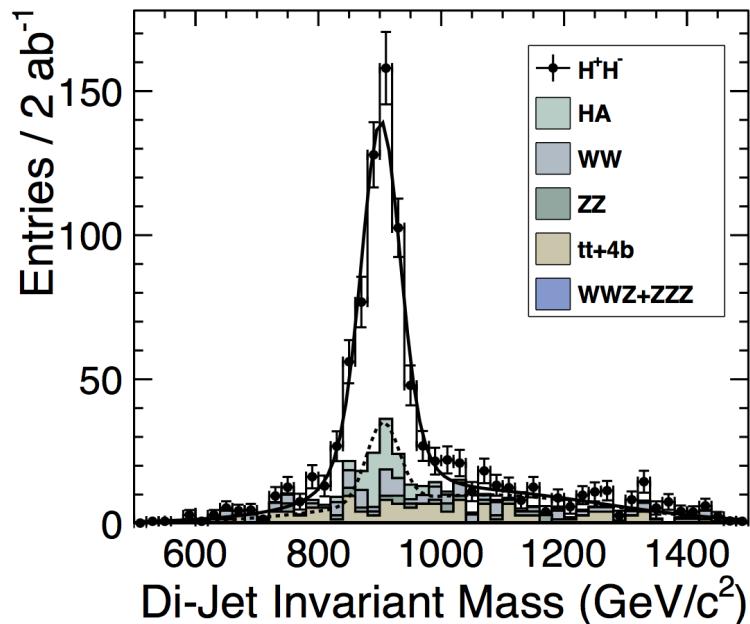
# Introduction

- The Standard Model has been extremely successful (including prediction of the Higgs boson discovered at the LHC)
- However, it does not explain observations of:
  - Dark Matter
  - The baryon-antibaryon asymmetry in the universe
  - Light neutrino masses and mixing
- Exploration of new territory motivates **ambitious future colliders** for particle physics
- **This talk:** potential of a **very high-energy  $e^+e^- / \gamma\gamma$**  interactions of up to 30 TeV, many examples for 10 (and 3) TeV

# How to search for new physics?

## 1.) Direct searches:

Looking for **new particles** and unknown effects



→ Both approaches benefit from the highest possible energies!

## 2.) Learning from SM processes:

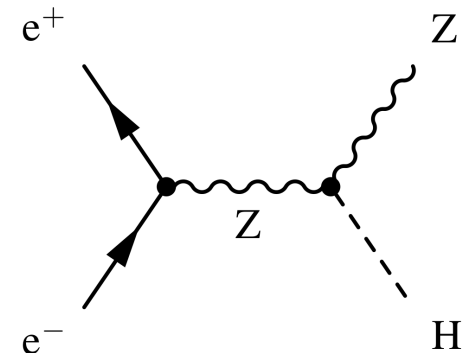
Precision study of production and decay properties of known SM particles

Modern approach:

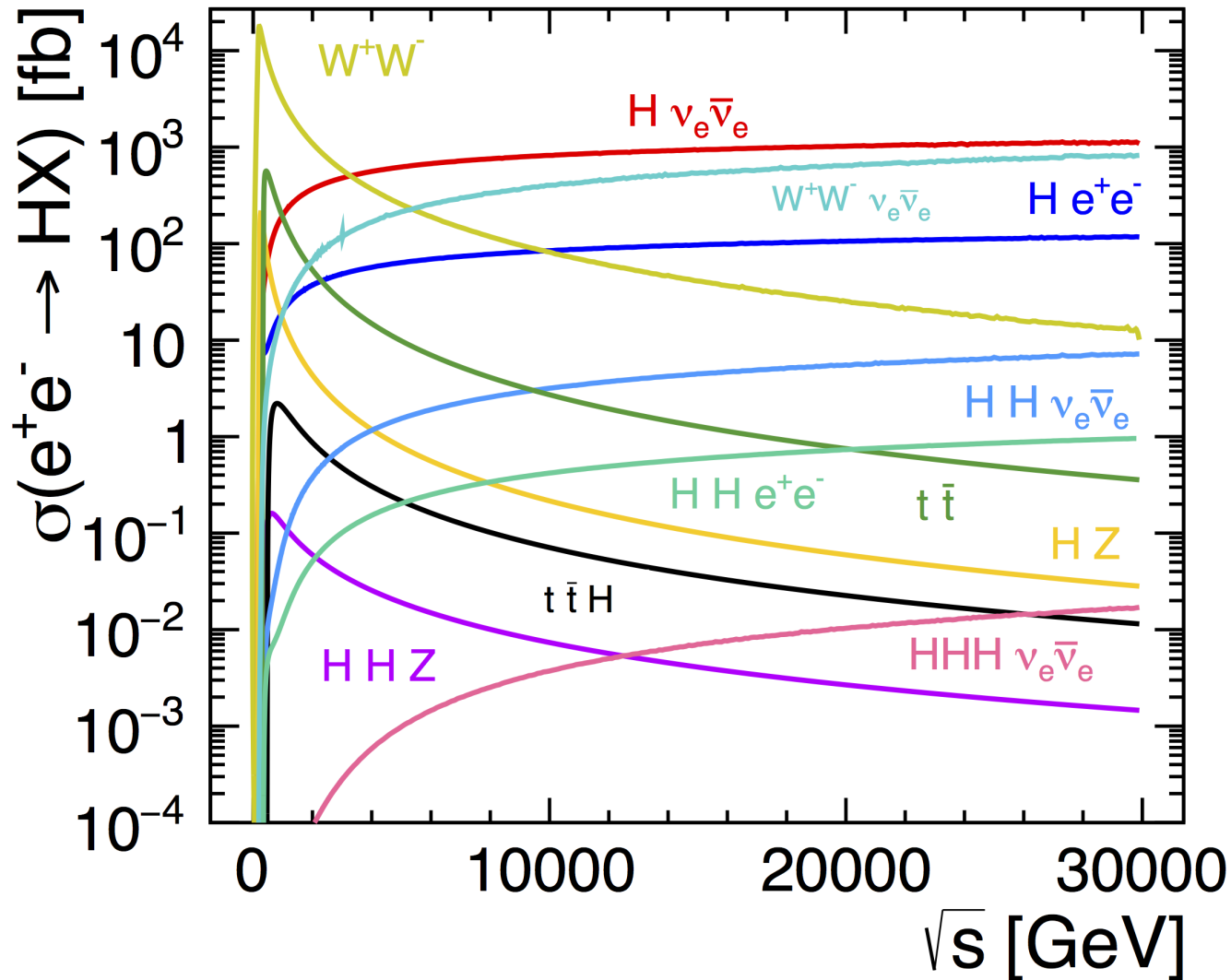
**Effective Field Theory (EFT):**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \left( \frac{C_i}{\Lambda^2} \right) \mathcal{O}_i$$

→ captures all **heavy new physics**



# Standard Model processes



- Two-fermion production (e.g.  $t\bar{t}$ ) scales as  $1/s$ , similar for WW and ZH production  
 → **desired integrated luminosities increase with energy**

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# First stage?

**Unique and guaranteed** physics case for an  $e^+e^-$  collider in the energy range from 240 - 380 GeV:

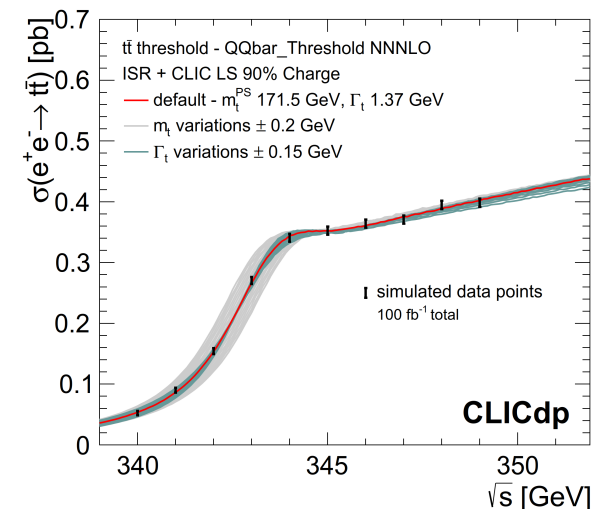
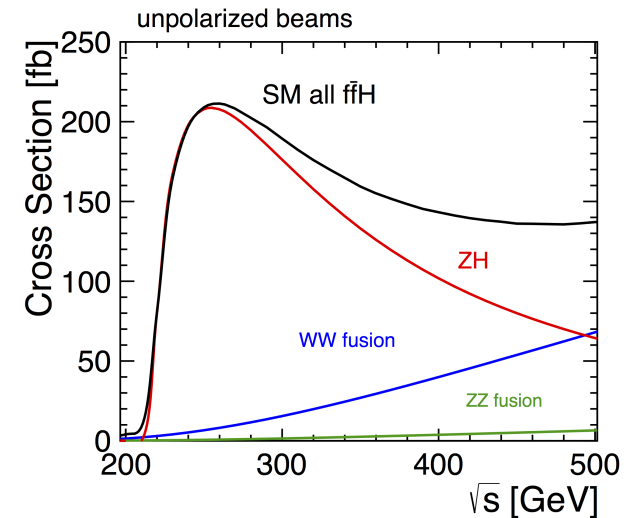
## Higgs boson ( $\sqrt{s} > 240$ GeV):

- Model-independent measurement of **Higgs width and couplings** possible using  $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH$  (not possible at multi-TeV energy alone)

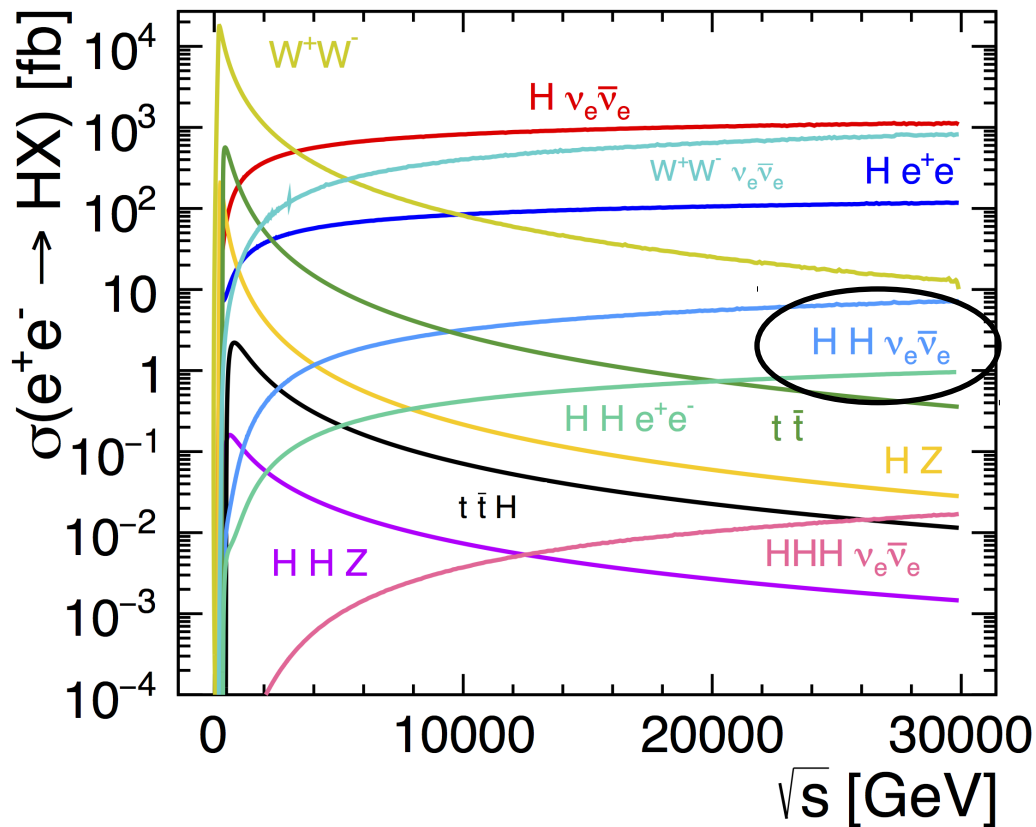
## Top-quark ( $\sqrt{s} > 350$ GeV):

- Not studied in  $e^+e^-$  interactions so far
- **Threshold scan** is the best approach to measure its mass

→ **ALIC would be a natural upgrade of a linear collider in this energy range**



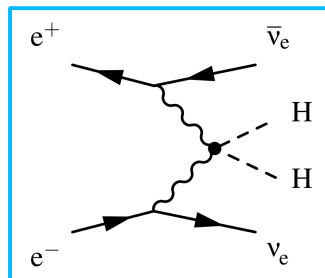
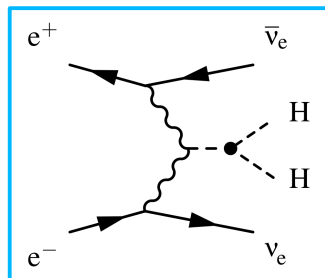
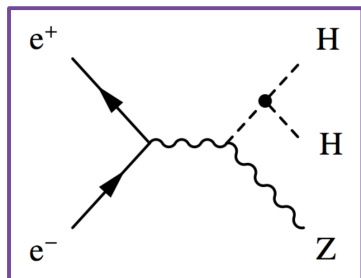
# Double Higgs production



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow HH\nu_e\bar{\nu}_e:$$

Most important process for the measurement of the **Higgs self-coupling** at high energy

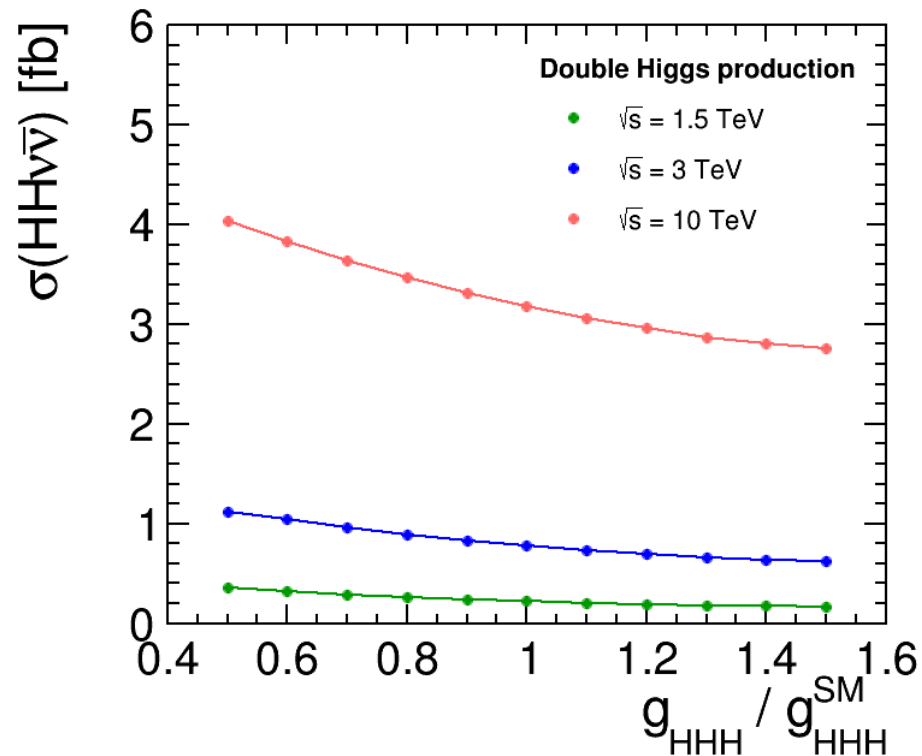
- Cross section **4.1 times larger** at 10 TeV compared to 3 TeV



Model	$\Delta g_{hhh}/g_{hhh}^{SM}$
Mixed-in Singlet	-18 %
Composite Higgs	tens of %
Minimal Supersymmetry	-2 % <sup>a</sup> -15 % <sup>b</sup>
NMSSM	-25 %

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# Higgs self-coupling at 10 TeV



Some degradation in sensitivity for larger energies, e.g.:

$$\Delta g_{HHH} / g_{HHH} = 1.5 \cdot \Delta\sigma / \sigma \text{ at 3 TeV}$$

$$\Delta g_{HHH} / g_{HHH} = 2.5 \cdot \Delta\sigma / \sigma \text{ at 10 TeV}$$

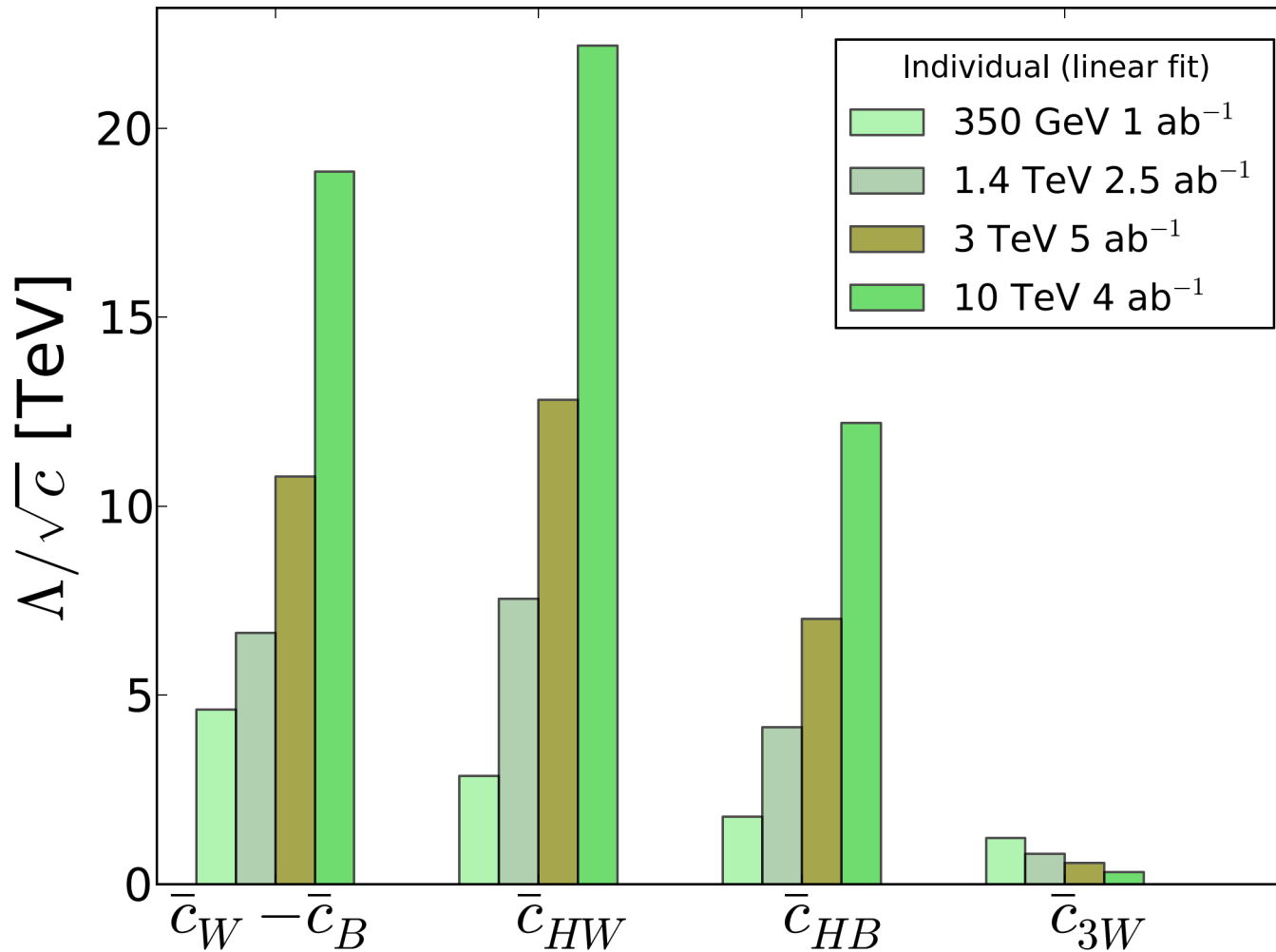
→ Impact smaller than rise of cross section

Extrapolation using 3 TeV CLIC study:

$$\Delta g_{HHH} / g_{HHH} \approx 5\% \text{ for } 8 \text{ ab}^{-1} \text{ at 10 TeV}$$

(similar to 100 TeV FCC-hh)

# EFT analysis of Higgs and WW production in 10 TeV $e^+e^-$ collisions



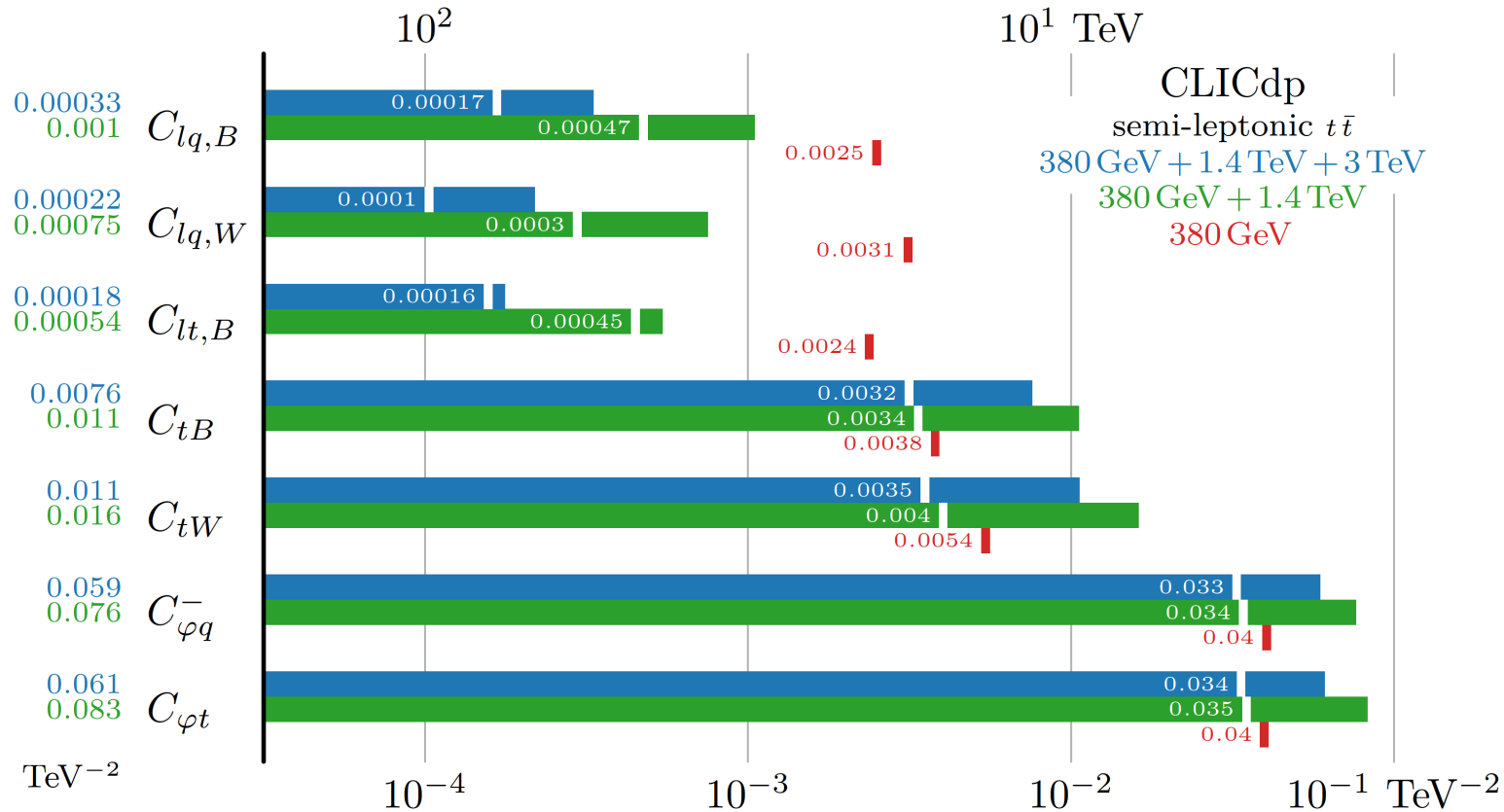
→ New physics scales well beyond the centre-of-mass energy can be reached

The 10 TeV projections were scaled from CLIC at 3 TeV (assuming the same luminosity spectrum)

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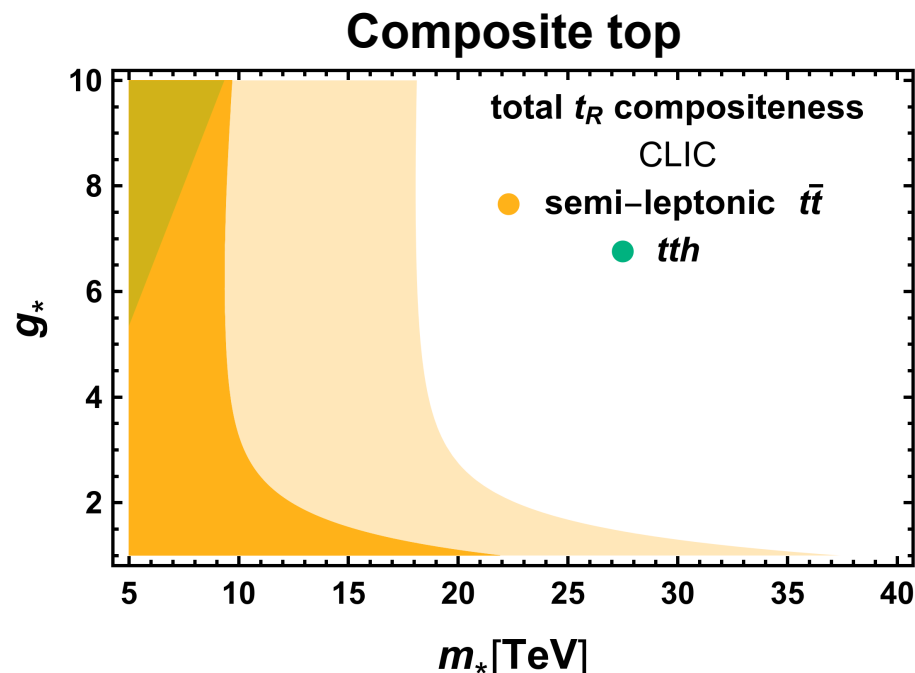
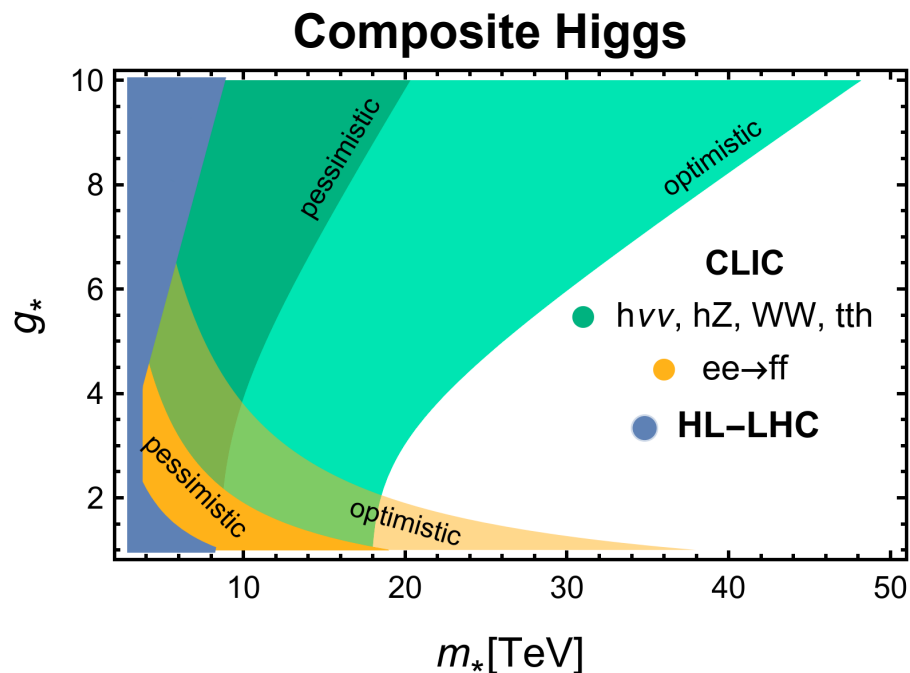
# Top-quark pair production at CLIC



- A global fit requires **at least one high-energy stage in addition to 380 GeV operation**
- High-energy operation dramatically improves the sensitivity for certain (“four-fermion”) operators
- Even higher energy would improve the reach further

[arXiv:1807.02441](https://arxiv.org/abs/1807.02441)

# Compositeness at 3 TeV CLIC



$m_*$ : compositeness scale

$g_*$ : coupling strength of the composite sector

Discovery of Higgs compositeness scale up to **10 TeV** (40 TeV for  $g_* \approx 8$ )

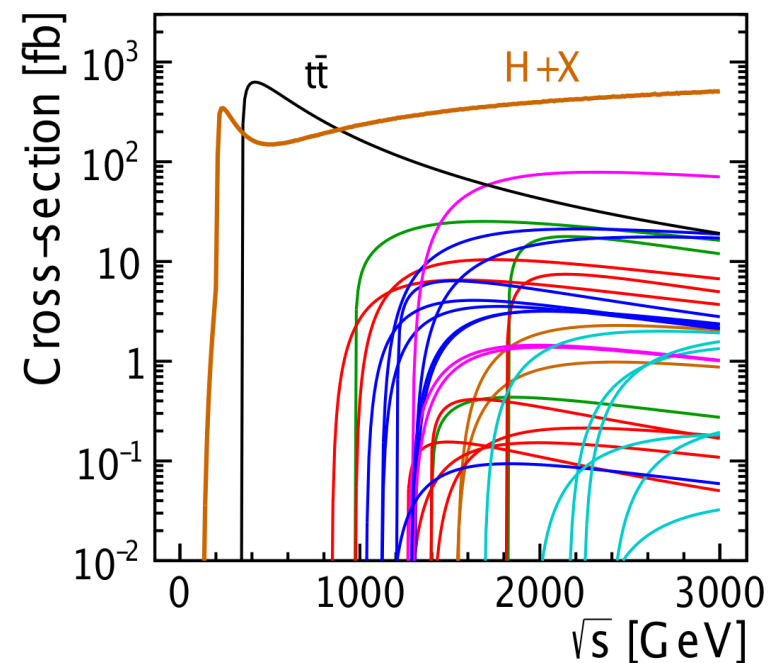
Discovery of top compositeness scale up to **8 TeV** (20 TeV for small  $g_*$ )

ALIC at higher energy would increase the reach even further

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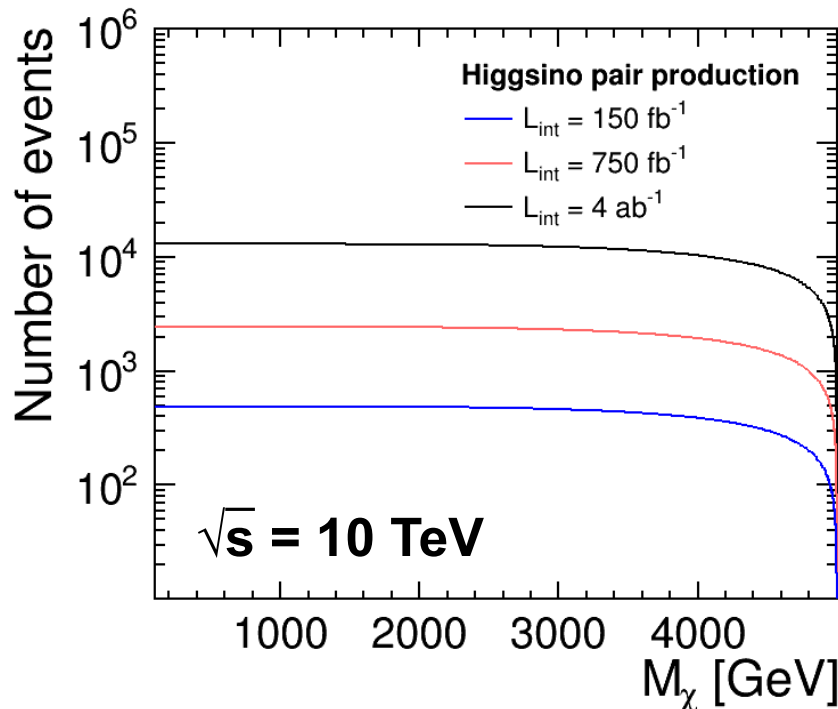
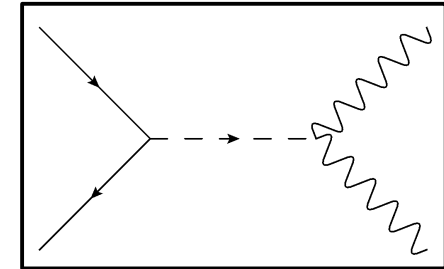
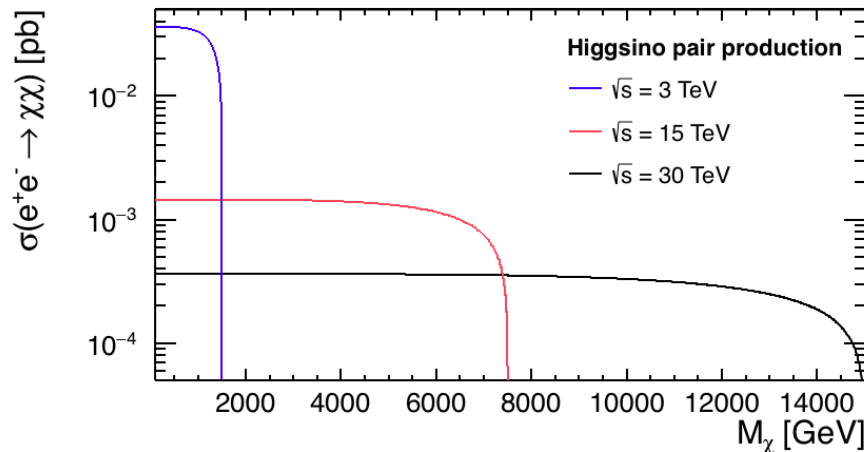
# Direct searches for new physics in $e^+e^-$ collisions

- Direct observation of new particles coupling to  $\gamma^*/Z/W$   
→ **precision measurement** of new particle masses and couplings
- The sensitivity often extends up to the kinematic limit  
(e.g.  $M \leq \sqrt{s} / 2$  for pair production)
- Very rare processes accessible due to low backgrounds (no QCD)  
→ Electron-positron colliders especially suitable for **electroweak states**
- **Polarised beam(s) and threshold scans** might be useful to constrain the underlying theory



- Higgs
- $\tilde{\tau}, \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{e}$
- charginos
- squarks
- S M  $t\bar{t}$
- $\tilde{\nu}_\tau, \tilde{\nu}_\mu, \tilde{\nu}_e$
- neutralinos

# Heavy electroweak states at high energy



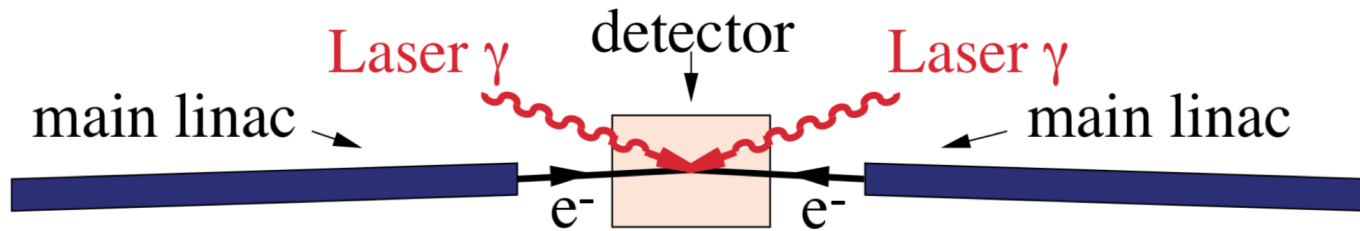
- Number of events almost independent of mass (in contrast to hadron colliders)

- Precision measurements possible at 10 TeV using a few  $\text{ab}^{-1}$

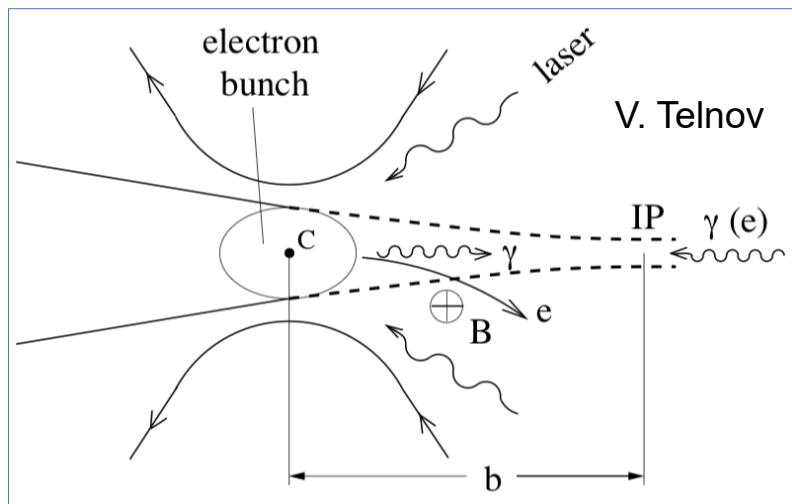
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# $\gamma\gamma$ colliders

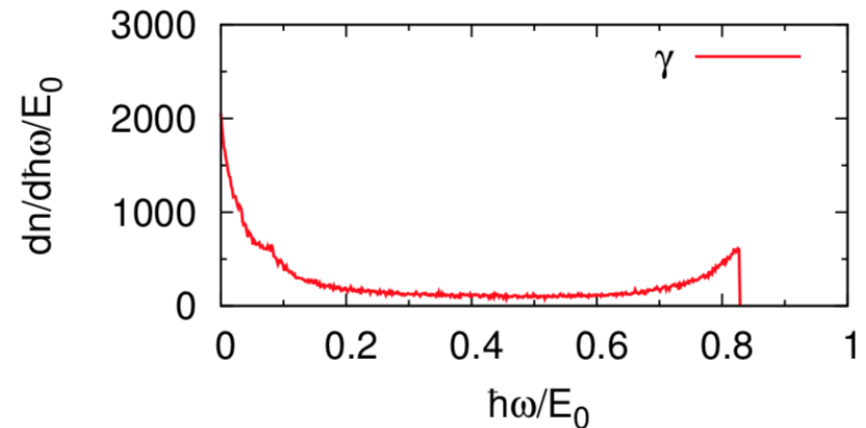
- An  $e^+e^-$  collider requires high-gradient, high-efficient **positron acceleration**
- **Possible alternative:**  $\gamma\gamma$  collider
- Discussed in the past as possible upgrade to a linear collider



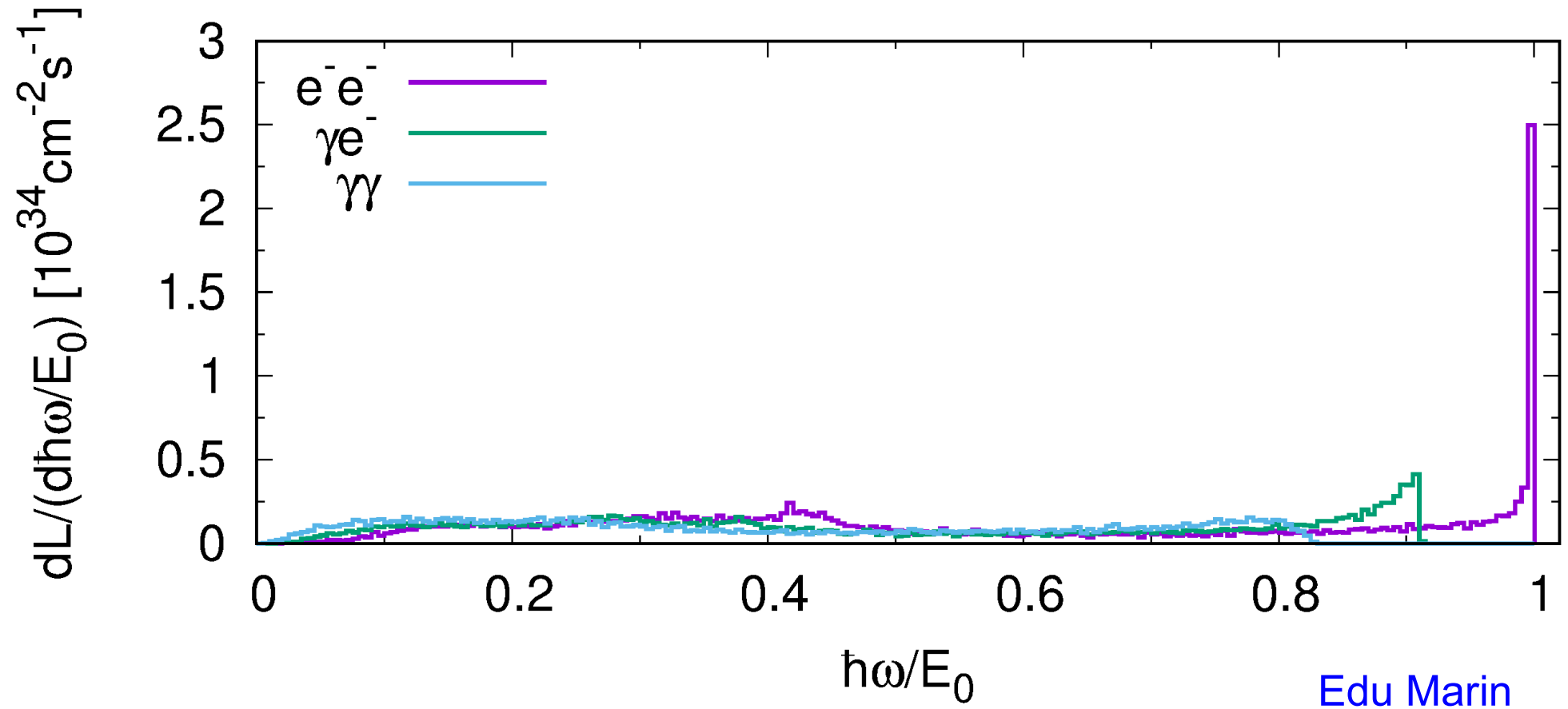
High-energy photons are produced by Compton back-scattering off TeV  $e^-$  beams



The photon spectrum has a peak near  $0.8E(e^-)$

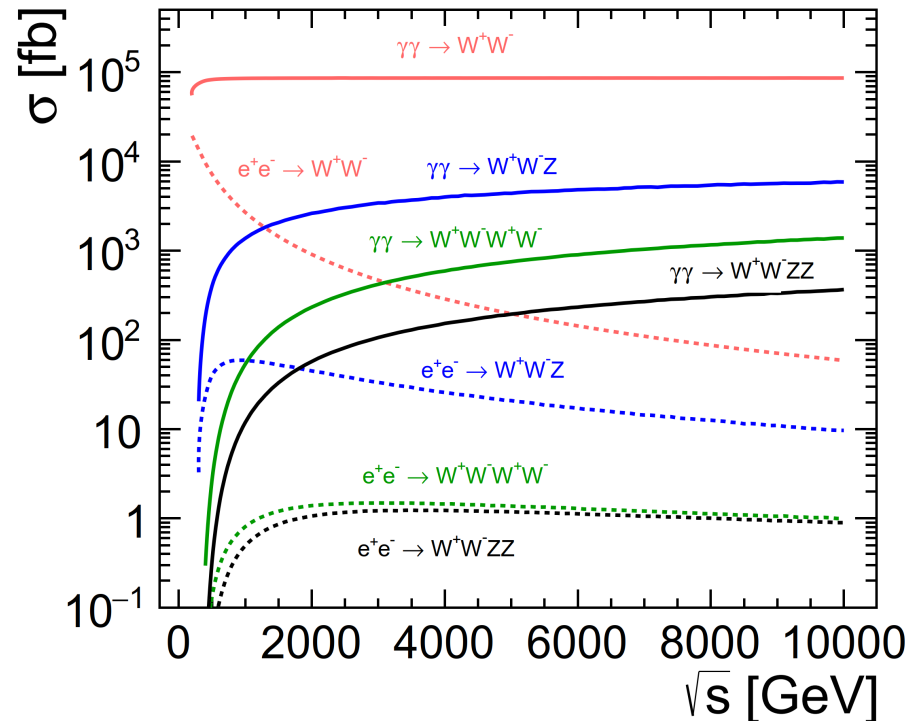
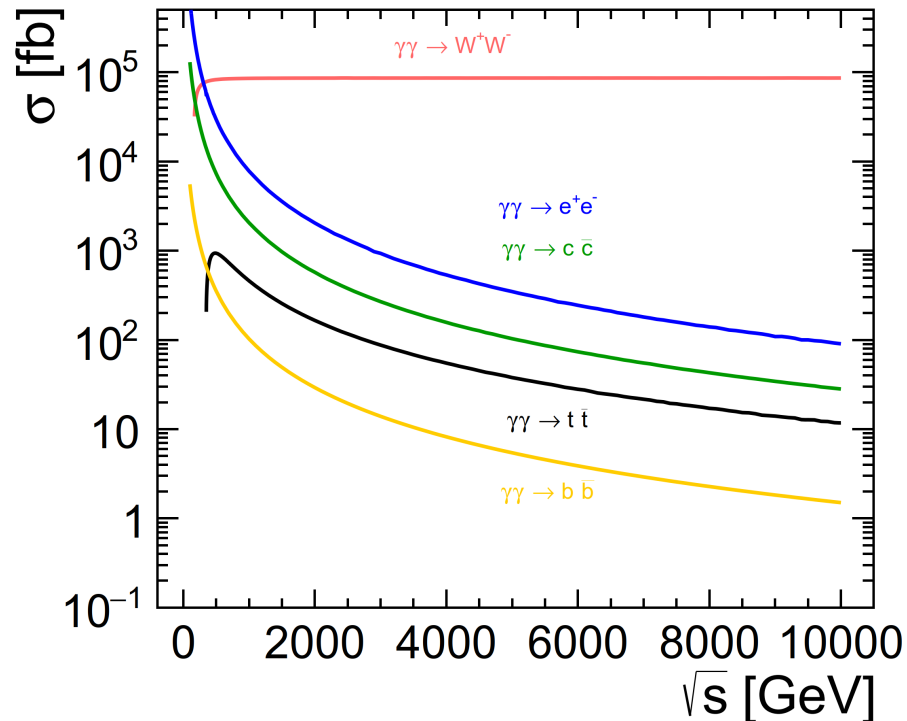


# Luminosity spectra at 10 TeV



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# Standard Model processes in $\gamma\gamma$ collisions



- A photon collider is ideal to study **electrically charged particles**

- $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mathbf{W^+W^-}$ : anomalous **photon couplings to W boson**

- $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mathbf{W^+W^-ZZ/W^+W^-W^+W^-}$ : **WW  $\rightarrow$  WW and ZZ  $\rightarrow$  ZZ scattering**

no beam polarisation

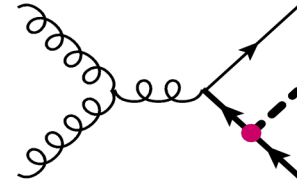
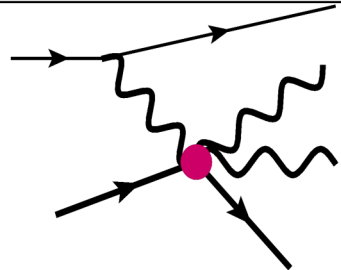
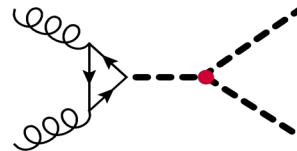
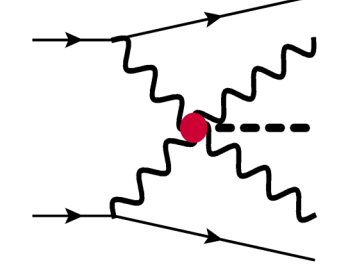
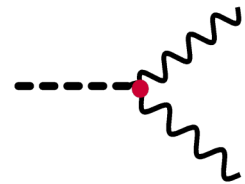
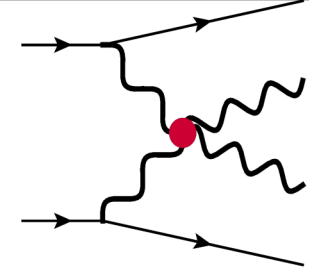
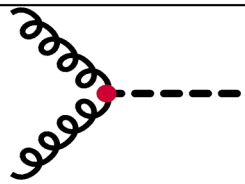
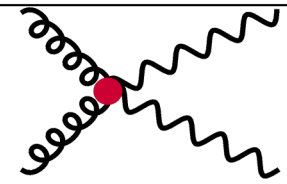
# “Higgs physics” at high energy

HC: Higgs coupling  
 HwH: High-energy process

- Higgs decays and high-energy processes probe the same operators
- Sensitivity of high-energy probes rises with energy

Very interesting!

To be studied for ALIC...

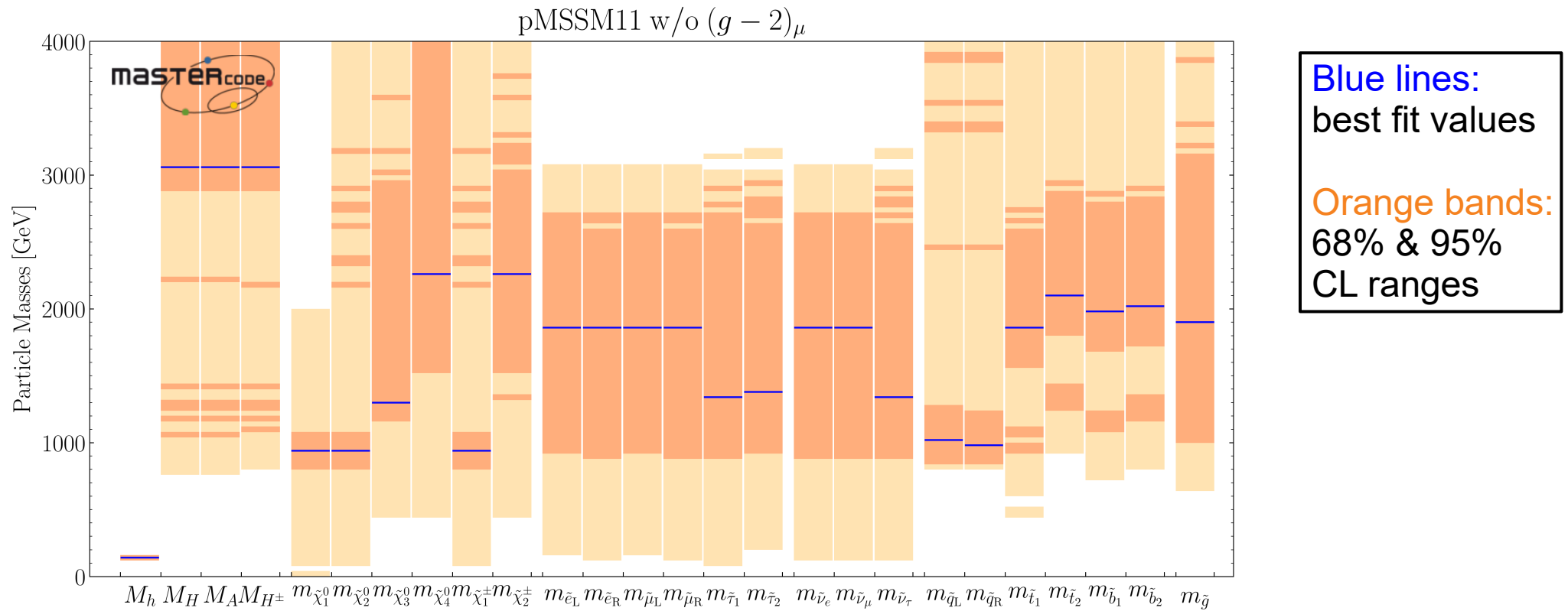
		HC	HwH	Growth
$\kappa_t$	$\mathcal{O}_{yt}$			$\sim \frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2}$
$\kappa_\lambda$	$\mathcal{O}_6$			$\sim \frac{vE}{\Lambda^2}$
$\kappa_{Z\gamma}$ $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$ $\kappa_V$	$\mathcal{O}_{WW}$ $\mathcal{O}_{BB}$ $\mathcal{O}_r$			$\sim \frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2}$
$\kappa_g$	$\mathcal{O}_{gg}$			$\sim \frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2}$

arXiv:1812.09299



# An example SUSY scenario

**Example:** Phenomenological MSSM with 11 parameters



- Global fit to current experimental data (LHC results, low-energy and flavour experiments, CDM measurements)

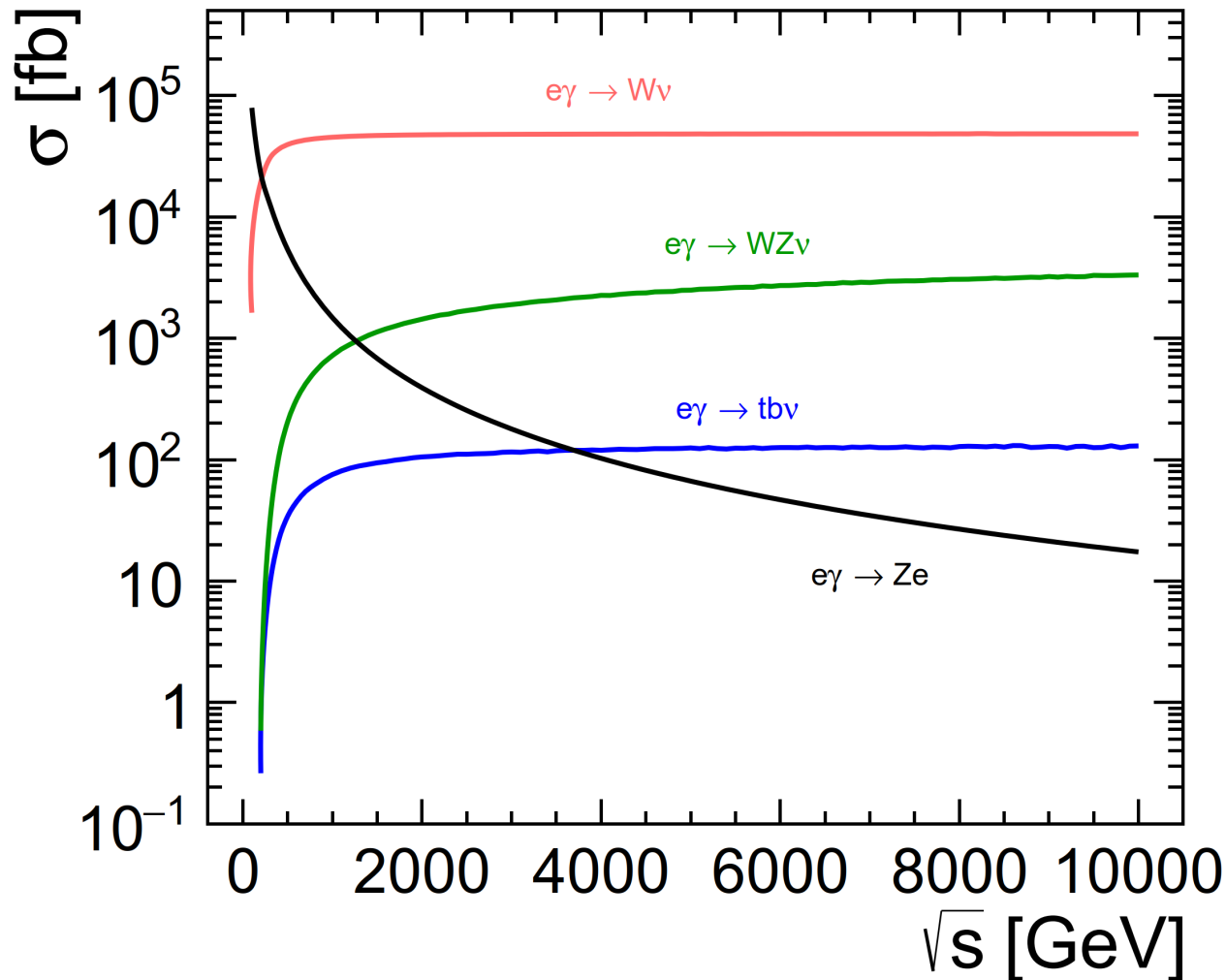
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# $e^+e^-$ vs $\gamma\gamma$ at 10 TeV

Particle pair	Mass [GeV]	$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow XX)$ [fb] Circe2 + ISR, unpol.	$\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow XX)$ [fb] Circe2, unpol.
$\tilde{d}_L \tilde{d}_L$	1009	0.61	0.07
$\tilde{u}_L \tilde{u}_L$	1006	0.89	1.2
$\tilde{s}_L \tilde{s}_L$	1009	0.61	0.07
$\tilde{c}_L \tilde{c}_L$	1006	0.89	1.2
$\tilde{b}_1 \tilde{b}_1$	1997	0.19	0.01
$\tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_1$	1866	0.28	0.22
$\tilde{e}_L \tilde{e}_L$	1869	0.95	0.37
$\tilde{\nu}_{eL} \tilde{\nu}_{eL}$	1867	4.6	/
$\tilde{\mu}_L \tilde{\mu}_L$	1869	0.25	0.37
$\tilde{\nu}_{\mu L} \tilde{\nu}_{\mu L}$	1867	0.11	/
$\tilde{\tau}_1 \tilde{\tau}_1$	1328	0.30	0.93
$\tilde{\nu}_{\tau} \tilde{\nu}_{\tau}$	1364	0.15	/
$\tilde{d}_R \tilde{d}_R$	988	0.13	0.08
$\tilde{u}_R \tilde{u}_R$	989	0.53	1.2
$\tilde{s}_R \tilde{s}_R$	988	0.13	0.08
$\tilde{c}_R \tilde{c}_R$	989	0.53	1.2
$\tilde{b}_2 \tilde{b}_2$	2032	0.07	0.01
$\tilde{t}_2 \tilde{t}_2$	2108	0.26	0.16
$\tilde{e}_R \tilde{e}_R$	1856	1.4	0.38
$\tilde{\nu}_{\mu R} \tilde{\nu}_{\mu R}$	1856	0.21	0.38
$\tilde{\tau}_2 \tilde{\tau}_2$	1365	0.31	0.86
$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$	954	$\approx 0$	/
$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_2^0$	954	$\approx 0$	/
$\tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^-$	955	2.7	1.4
$\tilde{\chi}_3^0 \tilde{\chi}_3^0$	1294	1.1	/
$\tilde{\chi}_4^0 \tilde{\chi}_4^0$	2262	0.53	/
$\tilde{\chi}_2^+ \tilde{\chi}_2^-$	2262	1.3	1.3
$H^0 A^0$	3046	0.04	/
$H^+ H^-$	3046	0.10	0.08

- Luminosity spectra and ISR (for  $e^+e^-$ ) included
- A 10 TeV  $e^+e^-$  collider would cover the entire SUSY particle spectrum in this scenario
- Neutral particles not accessible at (tree level) in  $\gamma\gamma$  collisions
- A multi-TeV photon collider has discovery potential for squarks, sleptons and charginos (with a few  $\text{ab}^{-1}$ )

# What about the $e^- \gamma$ collisions?



- $e\gamma \rightarrow W\nu$ :  
e.g. anomalous W couplings
- $e\gamma \rightarrow tb\nu$ :  
e.g. anomalous Wtb coupling
- **Limited potential for direct searches**, e.g.:  
$$e\gamma \rightarrow \tilde{e} \tilde{\chi}_1^0$$
- $e\gamma$  interactions would cause difficult backgrounds for physics in  $\gamma\gamma$  collisions
- Ideally, operation with and without the electron beams at the IP?

# Conclusions

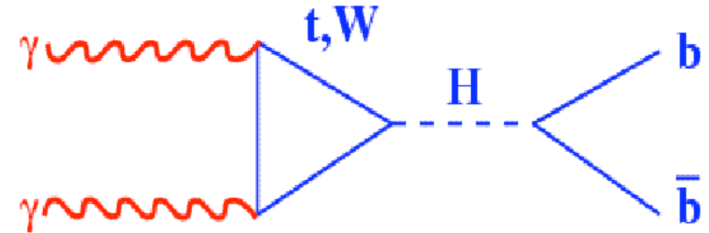
- Very high-energy  $e^+e^-$  and  $\gamma\gamma$  interactions provide **unique physics opportunities**
- The reach of an  $e^+e^-$  collider for **new phenomena** increases strongly with its centre-of-mass energy
- Photon collider promising for precision measurements in **multi-boson production** and direct discovery in **pair production of charged particles**
- The desired integrated luminosity rises with energy, for example at least several  $\text{ab}^{-1}$  are desired at 10 TeV
- Interesting possibility: ILC or CLIC collider for Higgs & top, **then ALIC in the same tunnel**

# Backup slides

# $\gamma\gamma$ collider as Higgs factory

- A  $\gamma\gamma$  collider with  $\sqrt{s_{\gamma\gamma}}$  around 125 GeV allows to study the process  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow H$

- The previous proposals CLICHE ([arXiv:0111056](https://arxiv.org/abs/0111056)) and SAPPHiRE ([arXiv:1208.2827](https://arxiv.org/abs/1208.2827)) would provide 20000 Higgs bosons / year  
→ comparable to first stage of CLIC at 350 / 380 GeV



- However, some decays seem difficult in photon collisions:  $H \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ ,  $\tau^+\tau^-$ ,  $gg$

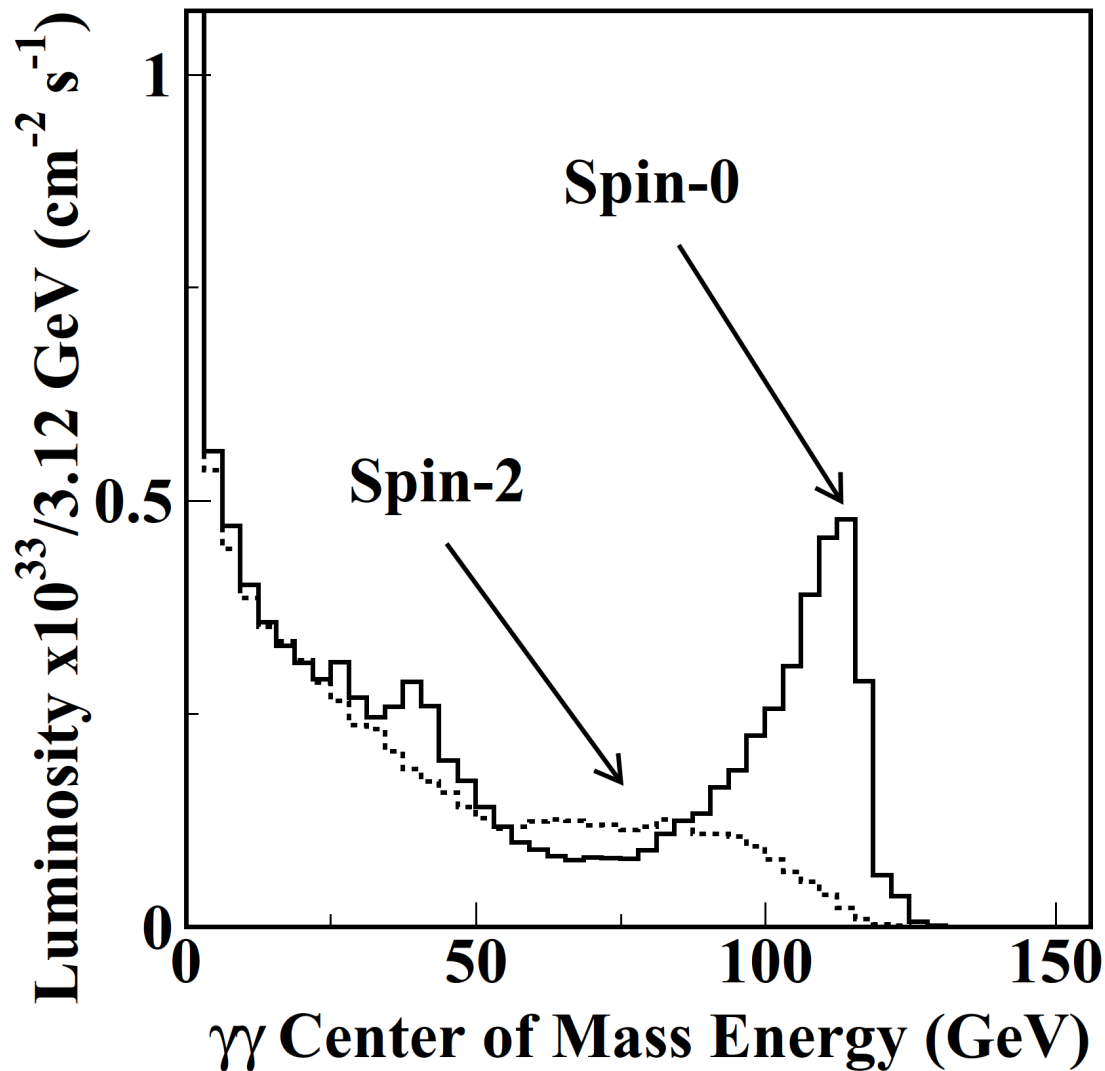
- A fully model-independent interpretation of the results would require some **input from an  $e^+e^-$  collider**

- The optimal  $\gamma\gamma$  collision energy for  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow H^* \rightarrow HH$  is a bit below 300 GeV (an ILC-based photon collider running for 5 years seems not competitive on with a high-energy  $e^+e^-$  collider for double Higgs production) [arXiv:1205.5292](https://arxiv.org/abs/1205.5292)

→  **$e^+e^-$  seems to be the best option for Higgs physics**

# Helicity dependence

## $\gamma\gamma$ Luminosity Spectra

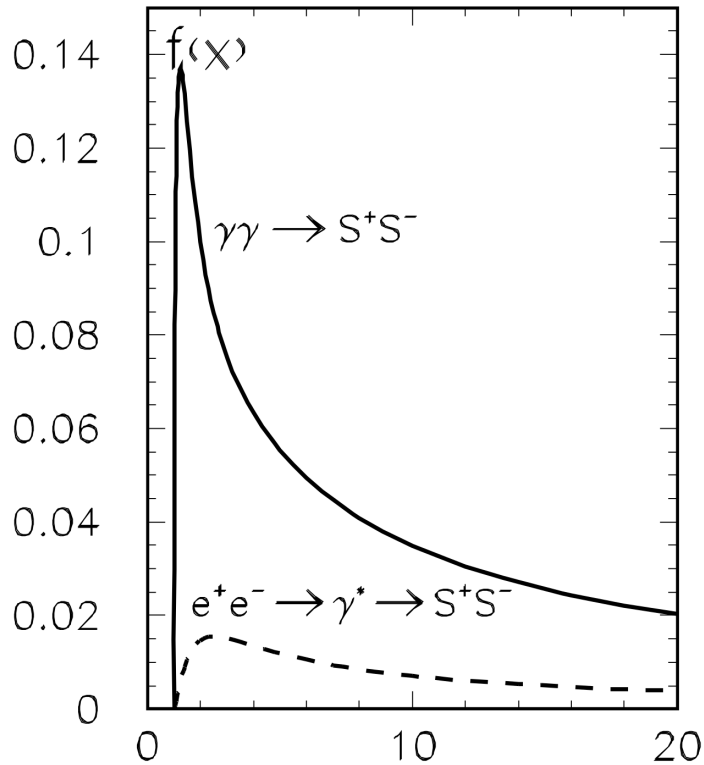


**For discussion:**  
we also need these  
distributions for 10 TeV

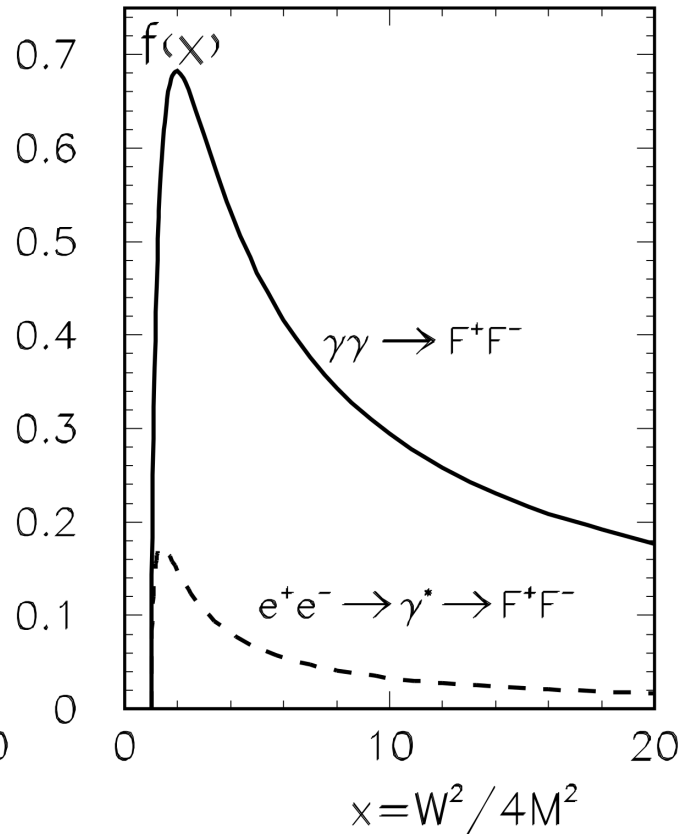
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# Comparison to $e^+e^-$ collisions

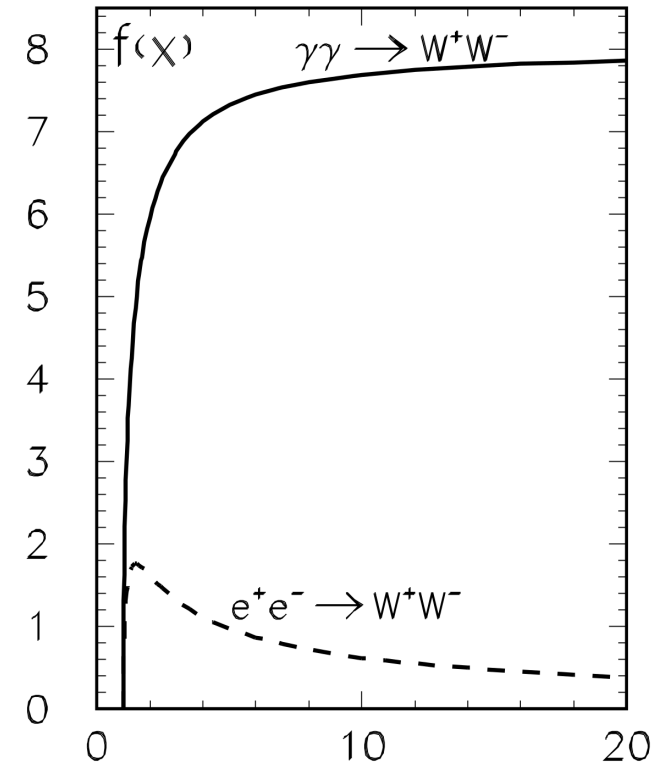
## Charged scalars



## Charged fermions



## W bosons



$$\sigma = (\pi\alpha^2/M^2)f(x)$$

no beam polarisation



# $\gamma\gamma$ at 10 TeV

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$\tilde{b}_1 \tilde{b}_1$	1997	0.18	0.03	0.001	0.05
$\tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_1$	1866	0.26	0.52	0.14	0.91
$\tilde{e}_L \tilde{e}_L$	1869	1.2	0.88	0.23	1.5
$\tilde{\nu}_{eL} \tilde{\nu}_{eL}$	1867	5.0	-	-	-
$\tilde{\mu}_L \tilde{\mu}_L$	1869	0.23	0.88	0.23	1.5
$\tilde{\nu}_{\mu L} \tilde{\nu}_{\mu L}$	1867	0.10	-	-	-
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$\tilde{b}_2 \tilde{b}_2$	2032	0.06	0.03	0.01	0.05
$\tilde{t}_2 \tilde{t}_2$	2108	0.27	0.48	0.17	0.80
$\tilde{e}_R \tilde{e}_R$	1856	1.6	0.89	0.22	1.6
$\tilde{\nu}_{\mu R} \tilde{\nu}_{\mu R}$	1856	1.9	0.89	0.22	1.6
$\tilde{\tau}_2 \tilde{\tau}_2$	1365	2.2	1.05	0.12	2.0
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$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_2^0$	954	$\approx 0$	-	-	-
$\tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^-$	955	1.26	11	5.9	15
$\tilde{\chi}_3^0 \tilde{\chi}_3^0$	1294	0.91	-	-	-
$\tilde{\chi}_4^0 \tilde{\chi}_4^0$	2262	0.58	-	-	-
$\tilde{\chi}_2^+ \tilde{\chi}_2^-$	2262	1.4	6.5	5.9	7.0
$H^0 A^0$	3046	0.06	-	-	-
$H^+ H^-$	3046	0.15	0.61	0.62	0.60

- Pair production using the best fit values for the masses

- Neutral particles not accessible at (tree level) in  $\gamma\gamma$  collisions

- No ISR or beam spectra included

- $J_z = 2$  preferred for sfermions ( $J_z = 0$  would be preferred at 5 TeV for the same model)

# Reminder: Light-by-light scattering ( $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ )

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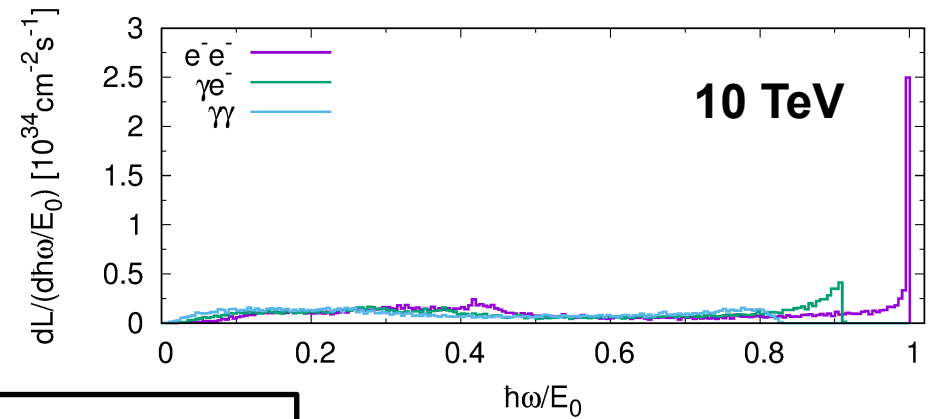
## Evidence for light-by-light scattering in heavy-ion collisions with the ATLAS detector at the LHC

ATLAS Collaboration<sup>†</sup>

Light-by-light scattering ( $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ) is a quantum-mechanical process that is forbidden in the classical theory of electrodynamics. This reaction is accessible at the Large Hadron Collider thanks to the large electromagnetic field strengths generated by ultra-relativistic colliding lead ions. Using  $480 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$  of lead-lead collision data recorded at a centre-of-mass energy per nucleon pair of 5.02 TeV by the ATLAS detector, here we report evidence for light-by-light scattering. A total of 13 candidate events were observed with an expected background of  $2.6 \pm 0.7$  events. After background subtraction and analysis corrections, the fiducial cross-section of the process  $\text{Pb} + \text{Pb} (\gamma\gamma) \rightarrow \text{Pb}^{(*)} + \text{Pb}^{(*)} \gamma\gamma$ , for photon transverse energy  $E_T > 3 \text{ GeV}$ , photon absolute pseudorapidity  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , diphoton invariant mass greater than 6 GeV, diphoton transverse momentum lower than 2 GeV and diphoton acoplanarity below 0.01, is measured to be  $70 \pm 24$  (stat.)  $\pm 17$  (syst.) nb, which is in agreement with the standard model predictions.

# $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ at a 10 TeV photon collider

- A high energy photon collider would be ideal to study light-by-light scattering



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2 \hat{s}} (\hat{s}^2 + \hat{t}^2 + \hat{s}\hat{t})^2 (48c_1^2 + 11c_2^2 + 40c_1c_2)$$

- **Example:** Born-Infeld theory (nonlinear extension of QED)  
 $c_1 = -1/(32M^4)$ ,  $c_2 = 1/(8M^4)$

95% CL limit:  $M > 12.2 / 13.6 / 15.1$  TeV for 150 / 750 / 4000  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  Ellis, Mavromatos, Ph.R., You  
→ **only small dependence on integrated luminosity**

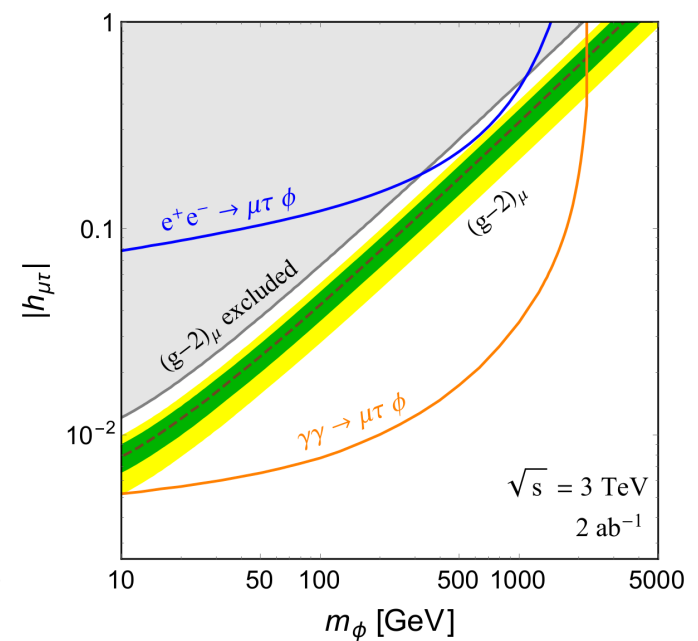
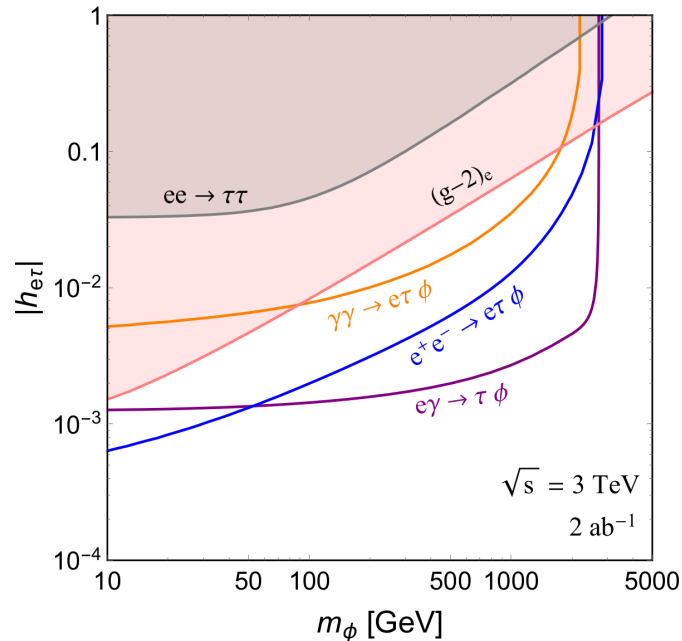
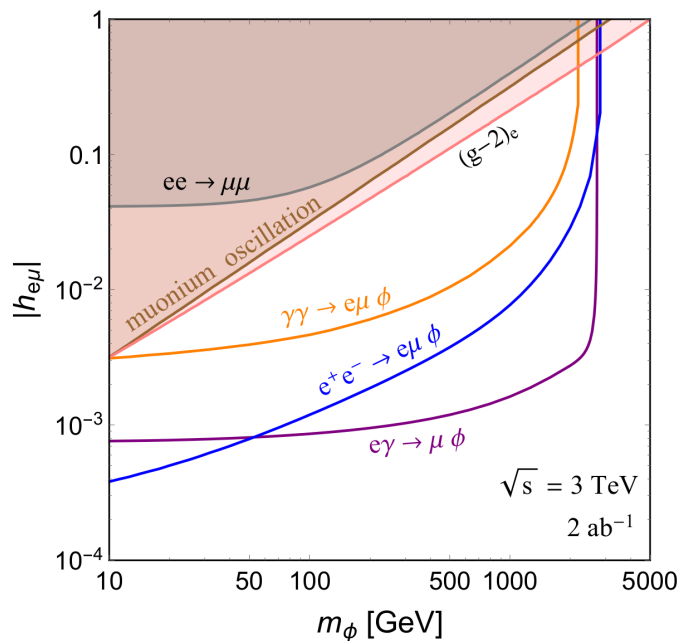
For comparison:  $M > 100$  GeV at ATLAS

[arXiv:1703.08450](https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.08450)

- Other models under study

# One more example: LFV couplings

Scenarios with **Lepton Flavour Violation (LFV)** and a heavy scalar  $\phi$  (connection to neutrino mass generation)



$m_\phi$  : mass of heavy scalar  
 $h_{\alpha\beta}$  : LFV couplings

→ **Complementarity of  $e\gamma$ - and  $\gamma\gamma$ -collisions** in this scenario

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