

Probing heavy neutrinos at lepton colliders

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Massive neutrinos and New Physics

- **Neutrino oscillations:** confirmed experimentally in 1998

[Super-Kamiokande, PRL 81 (1998) 1562]

⇒ neutrinos are massive! ⇒ new physics required to account for their mass

- **Standard Model:** $L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ \ell_L \end{pmatrix}, \tilde{\phi} = \begin{pmatrix} H^{0*} \\ H^- \end{pmatrix}$

- ▶ No right-handed neutrino $\nu_R \Rightarrow$ No Dirac mass term

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = -Y_\nu \bar{L} \tilde{\phi} \nu_R + \text{h.c.}$$

- ▶ No Higgs triplet $T \Rightarrow$ No Majorana mass term

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = -\frac{1}{2} p \bar{L} T L^c + \text{h.c.}$$

- **Necessary to go beyond the Standard Model for ν mass**

- ▶ Radiative models
- ▶ R-parity violation in supersymmetry
- ▶ **Seesaw mechanisms** $\rightarrow \nu$ mass at tree-level

The inverse seesaw (ISS) mechanism

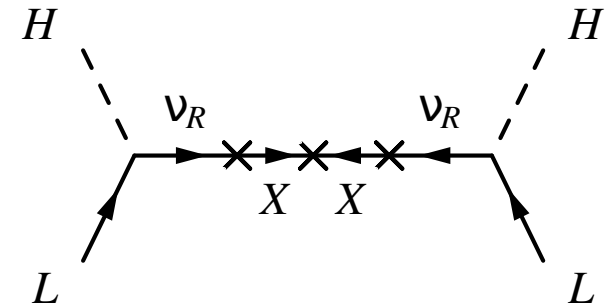
- Lower seesaw scale from (nearly) conserved lepton number
- Add **fermionic gauge singlets** ν_R ($L = +1$) and X ($L = -1$)

[Mohapatra, PRL 56 (1986) 561; Mohapatra, Valle, PRD 34 (1986) 1642; Bernabéu *et al.*, PLB 187 (1987) 303]

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ISS}} = -Y_\nu \bar{L} \tilde{\phi} \nu_R - M_R \bar{\nu}_R^c X - \frac{1}{2} \mu_X \bar{X}^c X + \text{h.c.}$$

with $m_D = Y_\nu v / \sqrt{2}$, $M^\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D & 0 \\ m_D^T & 0 & M_R \\ 0 & M_R^T & \mu_X \end{pmatrix}$

$$m_\nu \approx \frac{m_D^2}{M_R^2} \mu_X, \quad m_{N_1, N_2} \approx \mp M_R + \frac{\mu_X}{2}$$



2 scales: μ_X and M_R

- **Decouple** neutrino mass generation from active-sterile mixing
- Inverse seesaw: $Y_\nu \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ **and** $M_R \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$
 \Rightarrow **within reach of the LHC and low energy experiments**



Linking the Higgs sector and neutrinos

How to search for heavy neutrino with $m_\nu > \mathcal{O}(1 \text{ TeV})$?

Use the Higgs sector to probe neutrino mass models

- TeV-scale neutrinos + Large Yukawa couplings
⇒ Possibly **large deviations from SM properties** in the Higgs sector
- **Some Higgs observables:**
 - Lepton flavor violating Higgs decays [see e.g. Arganda *et al.* , PRD 91 (2015) 015001]
 - Triple Higgs coupling [J.B., Weiland, PRD 94 (2016) 013002; JHEP 1704 (2017) 038]
 - Higgs production at lepton colliders [see Antusch, Cazzato, Fischer, Int.J.Mod.Phys. A32 (2017) 1750078; J.B., Pascoli, Weiland, EPJC 78 (2018) 795]



Most relevant constraints for the ISS

- Accommodate low-energy neutrino data using μ_X -parametrization

$$\mu_X = M_R^T Y_\nu^{-1} U_{\text{PMNS}}^* m_\nu U_{\text{PMNS}}^\dagger Y_\nu^{T-1} M_R \nu^2 \quad \text{and beyond}$$

or Casas-Ibarra parametrization

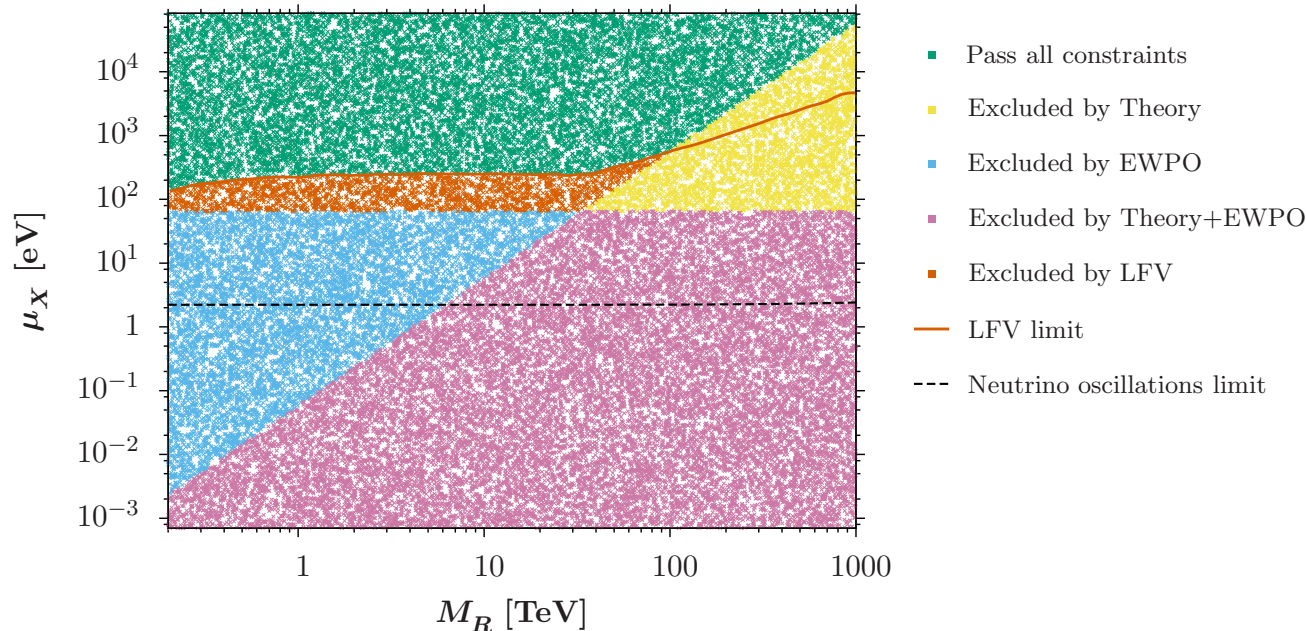
$$\nu Y_\nu^T = \text{diag}(\sqrt{M_1}, \sqrt{M_2}, \sqrt{M_3}) R \text{diag}(\sqrt{m_1}, \sqrt{m_2}, \sqrt{m_3}) U_{\text{PMNS}}^\dagger$$

with $M = M_R \mu_X^{-1} M_R^T$

- Charged lepton flavor violation (LFV)
→ For example: $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 4.2 \times 10^{-13}$ [MEG, EPJC 76 (2016) 434]
- Global fit to EWPO and lepton universality tests [Fernandez-Martinez *et al.*, JHEP 1608 (2016) 033]
- Electric dipole moment: 0 with real PMNS and mass matrices
- Invisible Higgs decays: $M_R > m_H$, does not apply
- Yukawa perturbativity: $|Y_\nu^2/(4\pi)| < 1.5$

Parameter space (Casas-Ibarra parametrization)

Parameter scan in Casas-Ibarra parametrization



Random scan:
180 000 points with
degenerate (diagonal) M_R
and μ_X

[J.B., Weiland, JHEP 1704 (2017) 038]

Strongest constraints:

- LFV (mainly $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$)
- Yukawa perturbativity

\Rightarrow **Need to escape LFV**

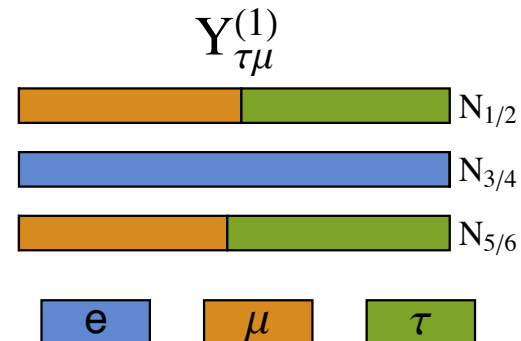
Suppressing LFV constraints

- How to evade the LFV constraints ?
- Approximate formulas for large Y_ν [Arganda *et al.* , PRD 91 (2015) 015001]

$$\text{Br}_{\mu \rightarrow e \gamma}^{\text{approx}} = 8 \times 10^{-17} \text{GeV}^{-4} \frac{m_\mu^5}{\Gamma_\mu} \left| \frac{v^2}{2M_R^2} (Y_\nu Y_\nu^\dagger)_{12} \right|^2$$

- Solution: Textures with $(Y_\nu Y_\nu^\dagger)_{12} = 0$

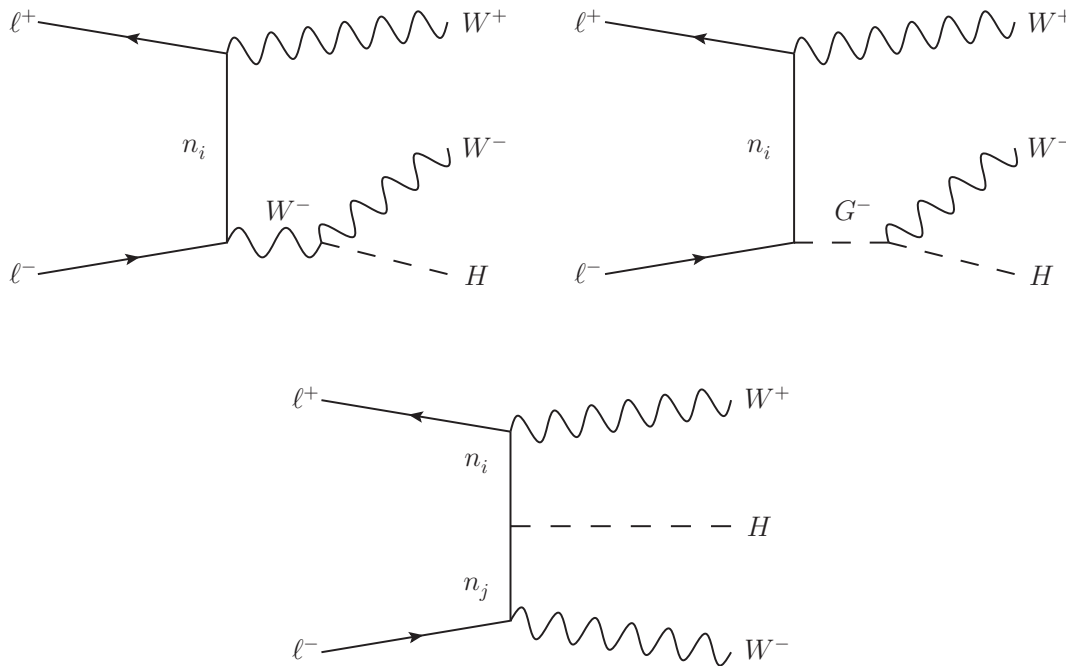
$$Y_{\tau\mu}^{(1)} = |Y_\nu| \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0.9 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



[taken from Arganda *et al.* , PLB 752 (2016) 46]

- Or even take Y_ν diagonal

WWH calculation in the ISS



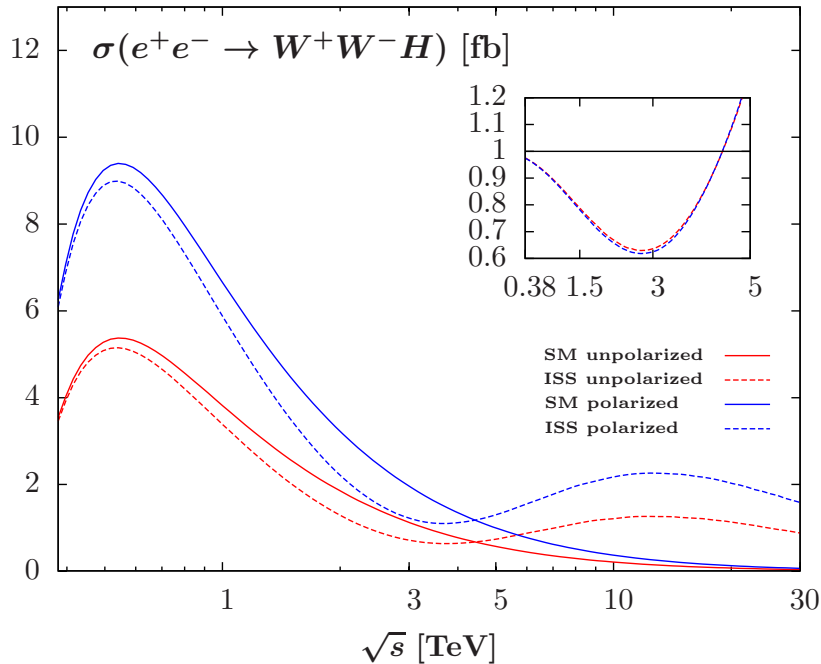
- Tree-level calculation with SM contributions + Majorana neutrinos contributions
- Destructive interference between SM and neutrinos
- SM electroweak corrections negligible for $\sqrt{s} > 600$ GeV

[Mao *et al.* , EPJC 59 (2009) 761]

- Input values: G_μ scheme and PDG values for the masses

WWH results for diagonal Y_ν

[J.B., Pascoli, Weiland, EPJC 78 (2018) 795; de Blas *et al.* , arXiv:1812.02093]



Polarized vs unpolarized beams:

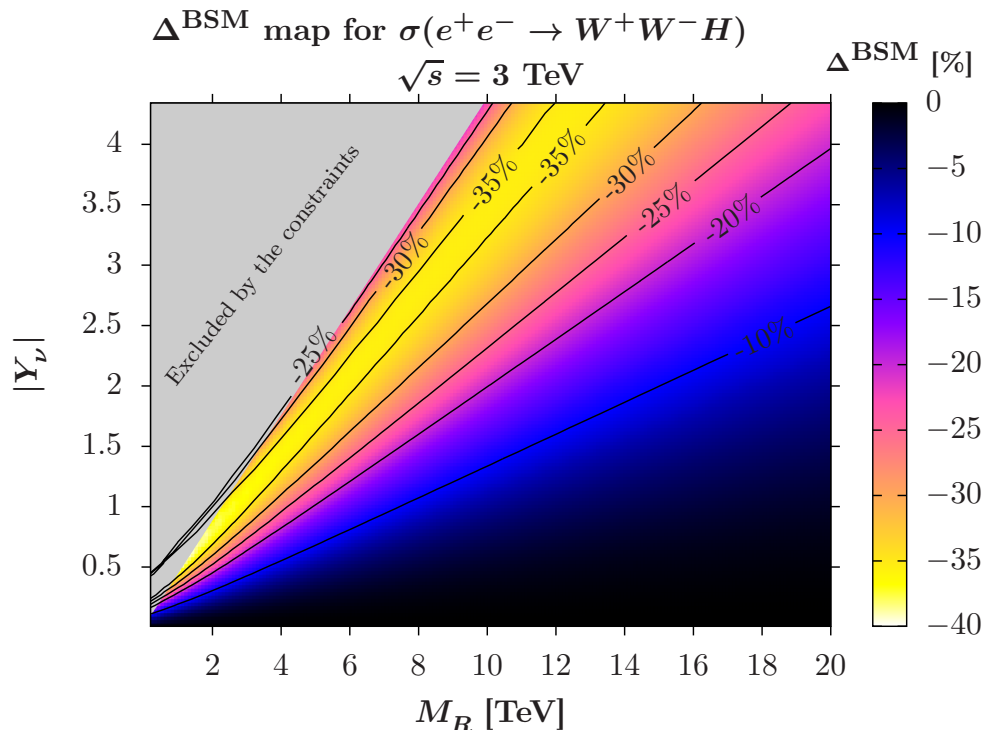
$$\sigma_{\text{pol}} = \frac{1}{4} \left[\left(1 - P_{e^+}\right) \left(1 + P_{e^-}\right) \sigma_{LR} + \left(1 + P_{e^+}\right) \left(1 - P_{e^-}\right) \sigma_{RL} \right]$$

Heavy neutrino contribution

$$\Delta^{\text{BSM}} = (\sigma^{\text{ISS}} - \sigma^{\text{SM}}) / \sigma^{\text{SM}}$$

- $Y_\nu = |Y_\nu| I_3$, M_R diagonal with $M_{R_1} = 1.51 M_R$, $M_{R_2} = 3.59 M_R$, $M_{R_3} = M_R$
- Benchmark scenario with $M_R = 2.4$ TeV, $|Y_\nu| = 1$
- With $P_{e^+} = 0$, $P_{e^-} = -80\%$ (CLIC baseline), enhanced cross section AND keep same Δ^{BSM} , down to -38% at 3 TeV
- Beyond 5 TeV: sizable positive Δ^{BSM}

WWH Contour map at 3 TeV



Heavy neutrino diagrams go like

$$|Y_\nu|^2/M_R^2 (1 + v^2/M_R^2):$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{approx}}^{\text{ISS}} = \frac{(1 \text{ TeV})^2}{M_R^2} \text{Tr}(Y_\nu Y_\nu^\dagger) \left(17.07 - \frac{19.70 \text{ TeV}^2}{M_R^2} \right)$$

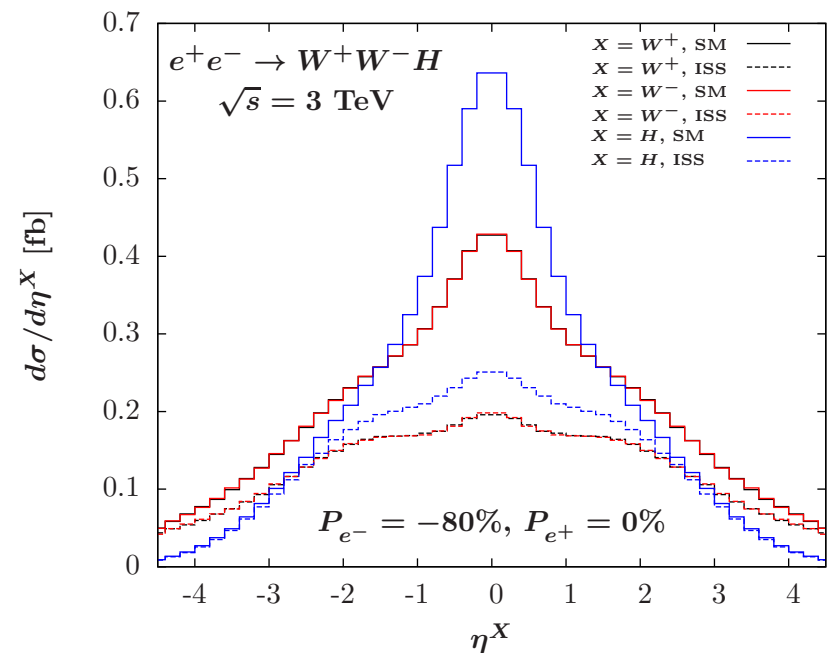
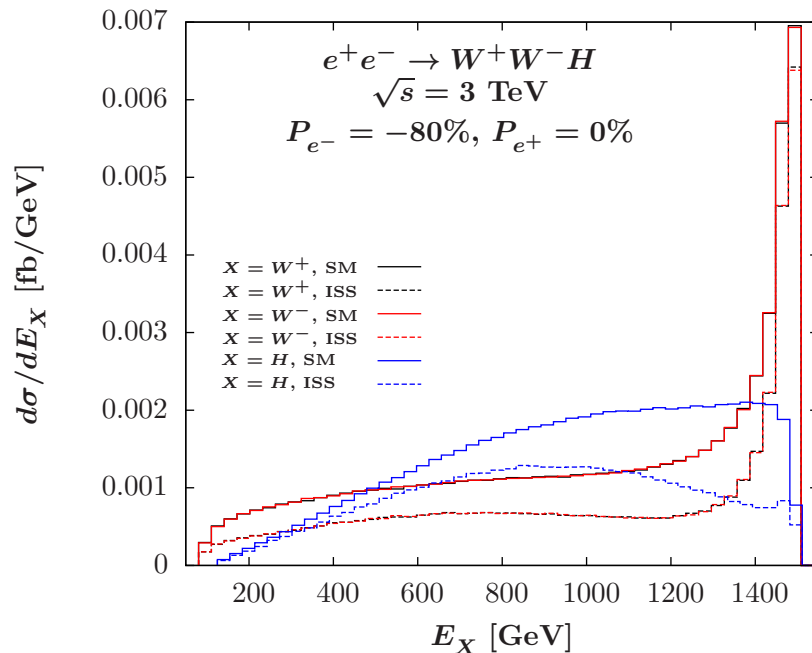
$$\Delta_{\text{approx}}^{\text{BSM}} = (\mathcal{A}_{\text{approx}}^{\text{ISS}})^2 - 11.94 \mathcal{A}_{\text{approx}}^{\text{ISS}}$$

Maximal deviation: -38%, $\sigma_{\text{pol}}^{\text{ISS}} = 1.23 \text{ fb}$

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- **Sizable effects on a substantial part of the parameter space! Motivate a detailed sensitivity analysis** [J.B., Han, Huang, Weiland, in preparation]
- Complementary to existing observables
 → **Provide a new probe of the $\mathcal{O}(10)$ TeV region of neutrino mass models**

Enhancing the deviation with cuts

Looking at distribution to enhance the deviation



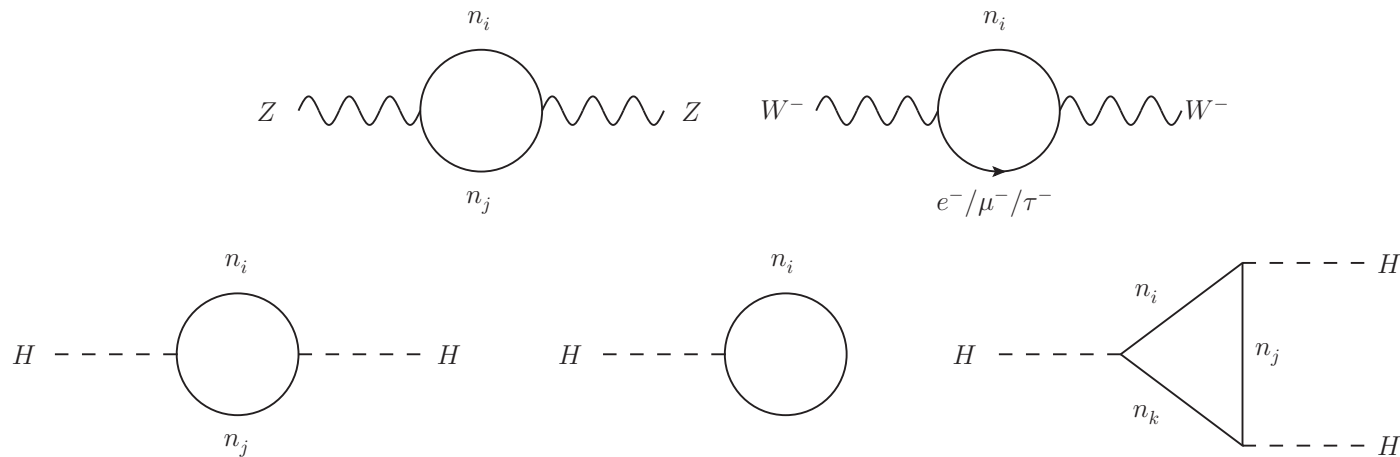
Choose $|\eta_{H/W^\pm}| < 1$ and $E_H > 1$ TeV

→ Deviation enhanced to $\Delta^{\text{BSM}} = -66\%$

$\sigma_{\text{pol,cuts}}^{\text{SM}} = 0.42$ fb and $\sigma_{\text{pol,cuts}}^{\text{ISS}} = 0.14$ fb

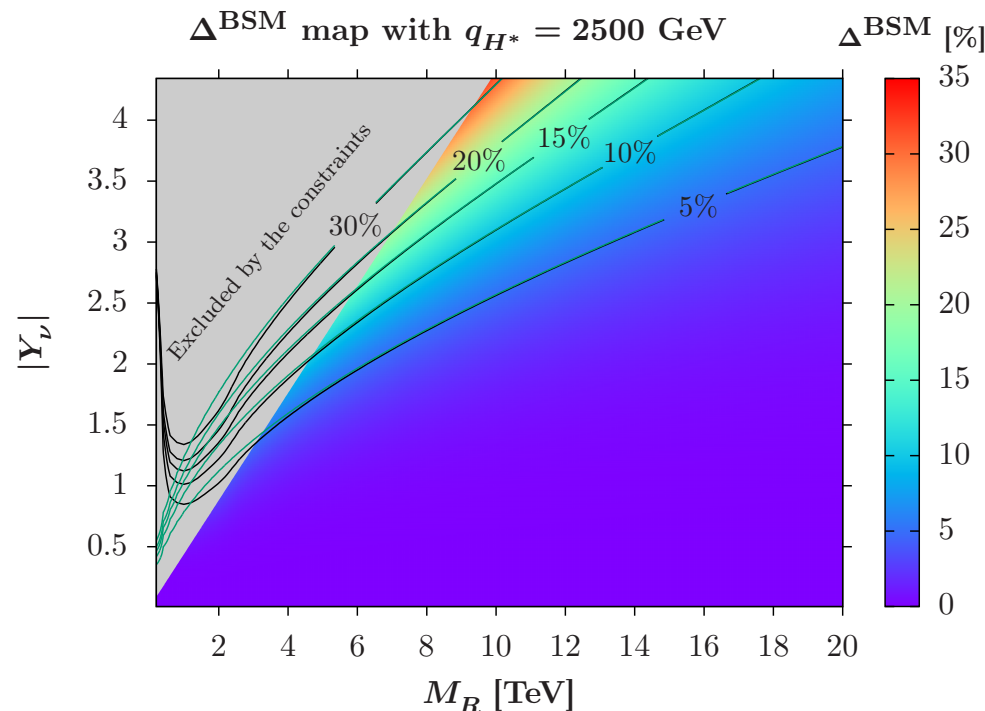
Comparison with λ_{HHH} probe

1-loop observable:
The triple Higgs coupling λ_{HHH} [J.B., Weiland, JHEP 1704 (2017) 038]



- **Measuring λ_{HHH} : A major target of future collider experiments**
 → Look at the loop corrections modified by heavy neutrinos
- Define $\Delta^{\text{BSM}} = (\lambda_{HHH}^{\text{full}} - \lambda_{HHH}^{\text{SM}}) / \lambda_{HHH}^{\text{SM}}$

Comparison with λ_{HHH} probe



- Effects clearly visible at the CLIC 3 TeV! (13% sensitivity)

[H. Abramowicz *et al.*, Eur.Phys.J C77 (2017) 475]; approximate formula in green

Potentially stronger effect at energies beyond 3 TeV

- WWH process probes a larger subset of the parameter space, HHH complementary probe**



Conclusions and outlook

- **Neutrino oscillations: New physics needed to generate m_ν**
 - low-scale seesaw generate tree-level m_ν , testable at current and future experiments
 - Inverse seesaw allows for $Y_\nu \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ AND $M_R \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1 - 10)$ TeV
- **How to probe the regime with real, diagonal Y_ν (hard to test)?**
 - ⇒ **Study of neutrino effects on Higgs properties**
- **Neutrino effects on $W^+ W^- H$ production cross section at lepton colliders: -38% effects can be reached at 3 TeV**
 - Measurable at future colliders such as CLIC
 - Probe a **new part** of the **parameter space** of the mass models
 - **Generic effect applicable to a wide range of low-scale seesaw models**
 - Can be enhanced to -66% effect with suitable cuts
- **Muon collider beyond 3 TeV with a fantastic potential:** recast of the results at electron-positron colliders with a different mixing (μN vs $e N$)



Backup slides

Next-order terms in the μ_X -parametrization

- Weaker constraints on diagonal couplings
→ Large active-sterile mixing $m_D M_R^{-1}$ for diagonal terms
- Previous parametrizations built on the 1st term in the $m_D M_R^{-1}$ expansion → **Parametrizations break down**
- Solution: Build a parametrization **including the next order terms**
- The next-order μ_X -parametrization is then

$$\mu_X \simeq \left(\mathbf{1} - \frac{1}{2} M_R^{*-1} m_D^\dagger m_D M_R^{T-1} \right)^{-1} M_R^T m_D^{-1} U_{\text{PMNS}}^* m_\nu U_{\text{PMNS}}^\dagger m_D^{T-1} M_R \\ \times \left(\mathbf{1} - \frac{1}{2} M_R^{-1} m_D^T m_D^* M_R^{\dagger-1} \right)^{-1}$$