

α_s determination at N³LO from hadronic decays of EW bosons in e⁺e⁻ collisions

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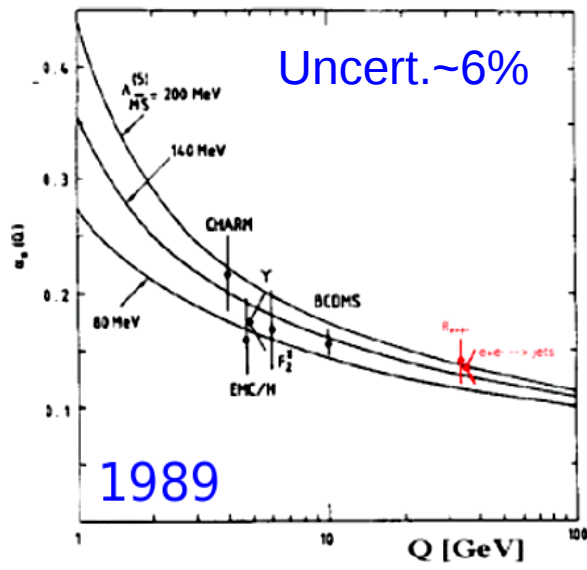
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Based mostly on: *D. d'Enterria, V. Jacobsen "Improved strong coupling determinations from hadronic decays of electroweak bosons at N³LO accuracy", <https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.04545> [hep-ph]*

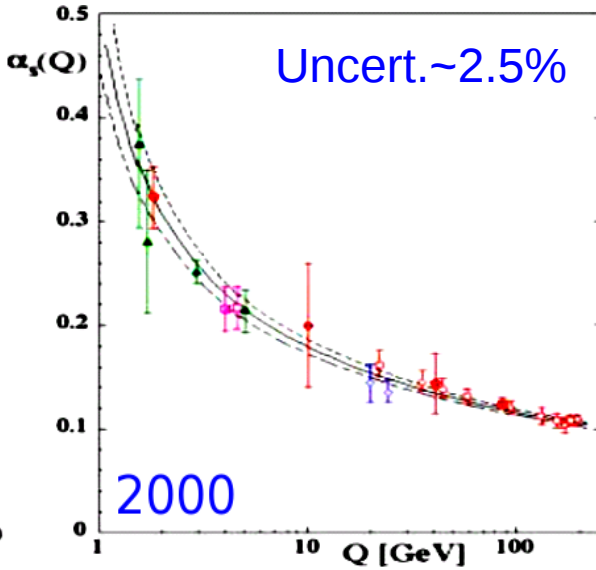
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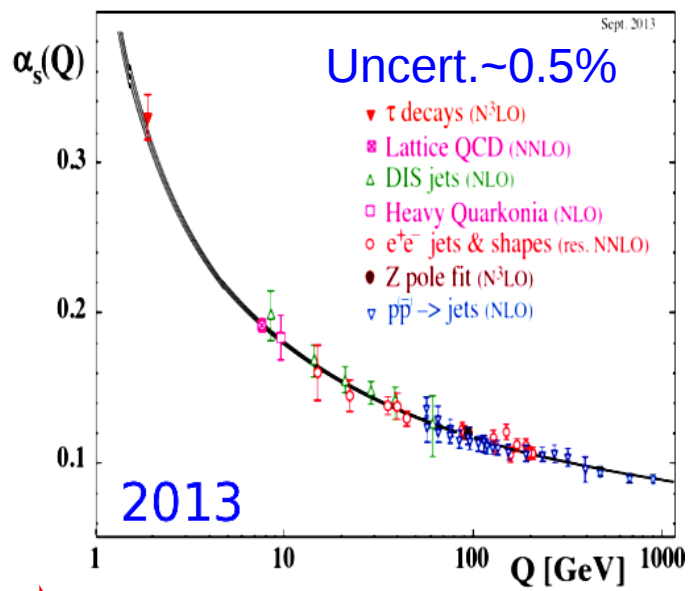
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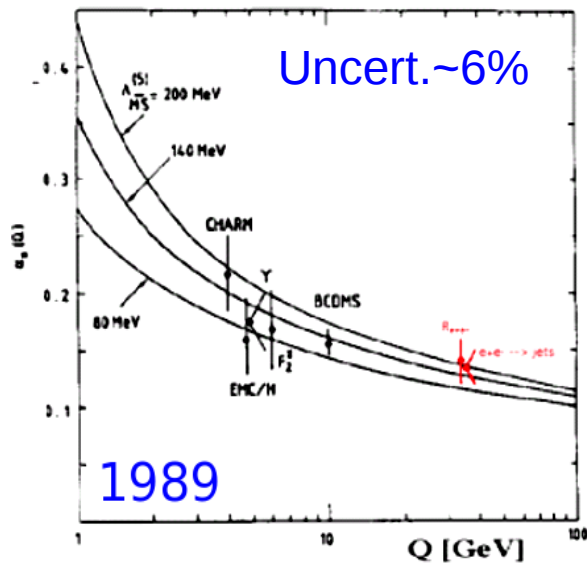


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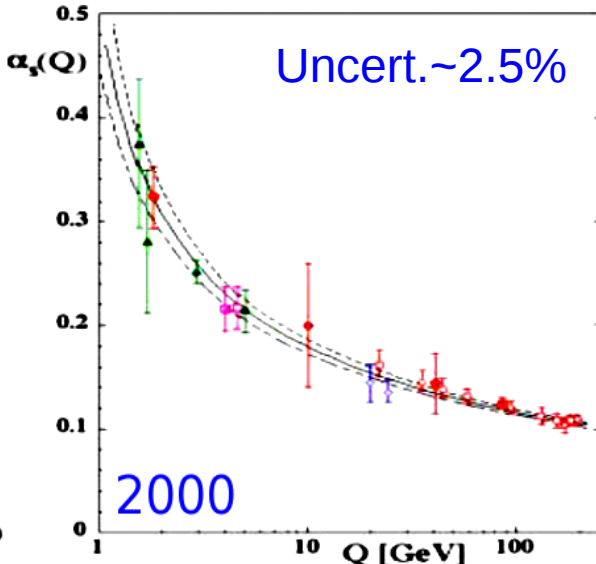
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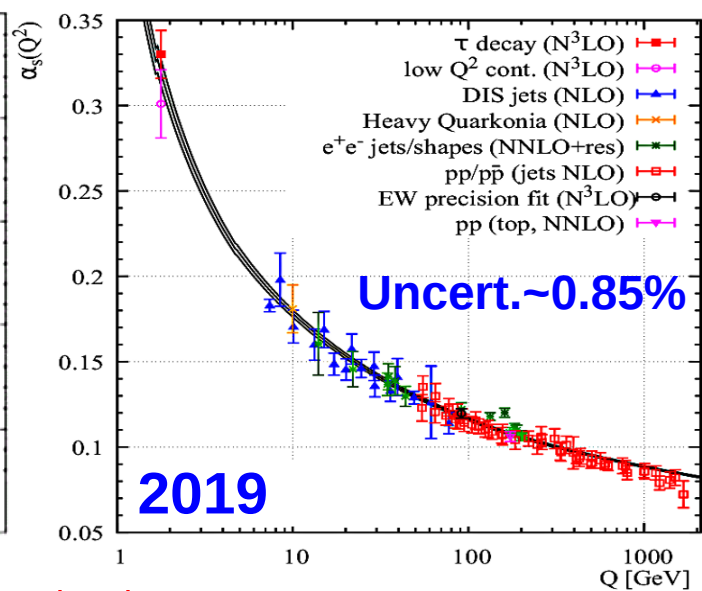
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$$\equiv \alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1179 \pm 0.0010$$

- **Least precisely known** of all interaction **couplings** !

$$\delta\alpha \sim 10^{-10} \ll \delta G_F \ll 10^{-7} \ll \delta G \sim 10^{-5} \ll \delta\alpha_s \sim 10^{-3}$$

Importance of the strong coupling α_s

Impacts all QCD x-sections & decays (H), precision top & parametric EWPO:

| Process | σ (pb) | $\delta\alpha_s$ (%) | PDF + α_s (%) | Scale (%) |
|---------|---------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| ggH | 49.87 | ± 3.7 | -6.2 +7.4 | -2.61 + 0.32 |
| ttH | 0.611 | ± 3.0 | ± 8.9 | -9.3 + 5.9 |

| Channel | M_H [GeV] | $\delta\alpha_s$ (%) | Δm_b | Δm_c |
|--------------------------|-------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| H $\rightarrow c\bar{c}$ | 126 | ± 7.1 | $\pm 0.1\%$ | $\pm 2.3\%$ |
| H $\rightarrow gg$ | 126 | ± 4.1 | $\pm 0.1\%$ | $\pm 0\%$ |

Msbar mass error budget (from threshold scan)

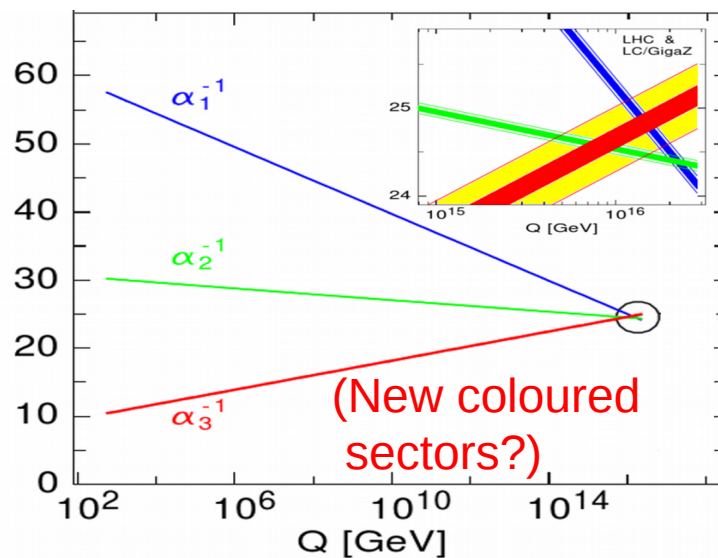
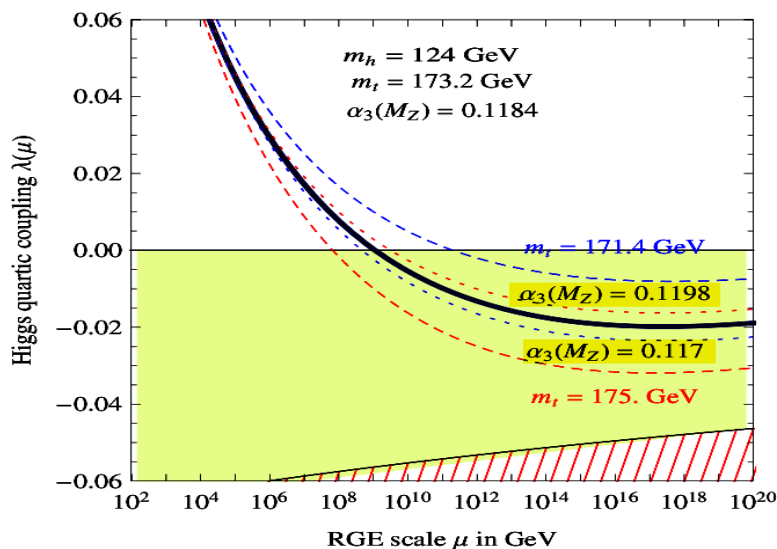
| $(\delta M_t^{\text{SD-low}})^{\text{exp}}$ | $(\delta M_t^{\text{SD-low}})^{\text{theo}}$ | $(\delta \overline{m}_t(\overline{m}_t))^{\text{conversion}}$ | $(\delta \overline{m}_t(\overline{m}_t))^{\alpha_s}$ |
|---|--|---|--|
| 40 MeV | 50 MeV | 7 – 23 MeV | 70 MeV |

\Rightarrow improvement in α_s crucial $\delta\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.001$

| Quantity | FCC-ee | future param.unc. | Main source |
|------------------------|--------|-------------------|------------------|
| Γ_Z [MeV] | 0.1 | 0.1 | $\delta\alpha_s$ |
| R_b [10^{-5}] | 6 | < 1 | $\delta\alpha_s$ |
| R_ℓ [10^{-3}] | 1 | 1.3 | $\delta\alpha_s$ |

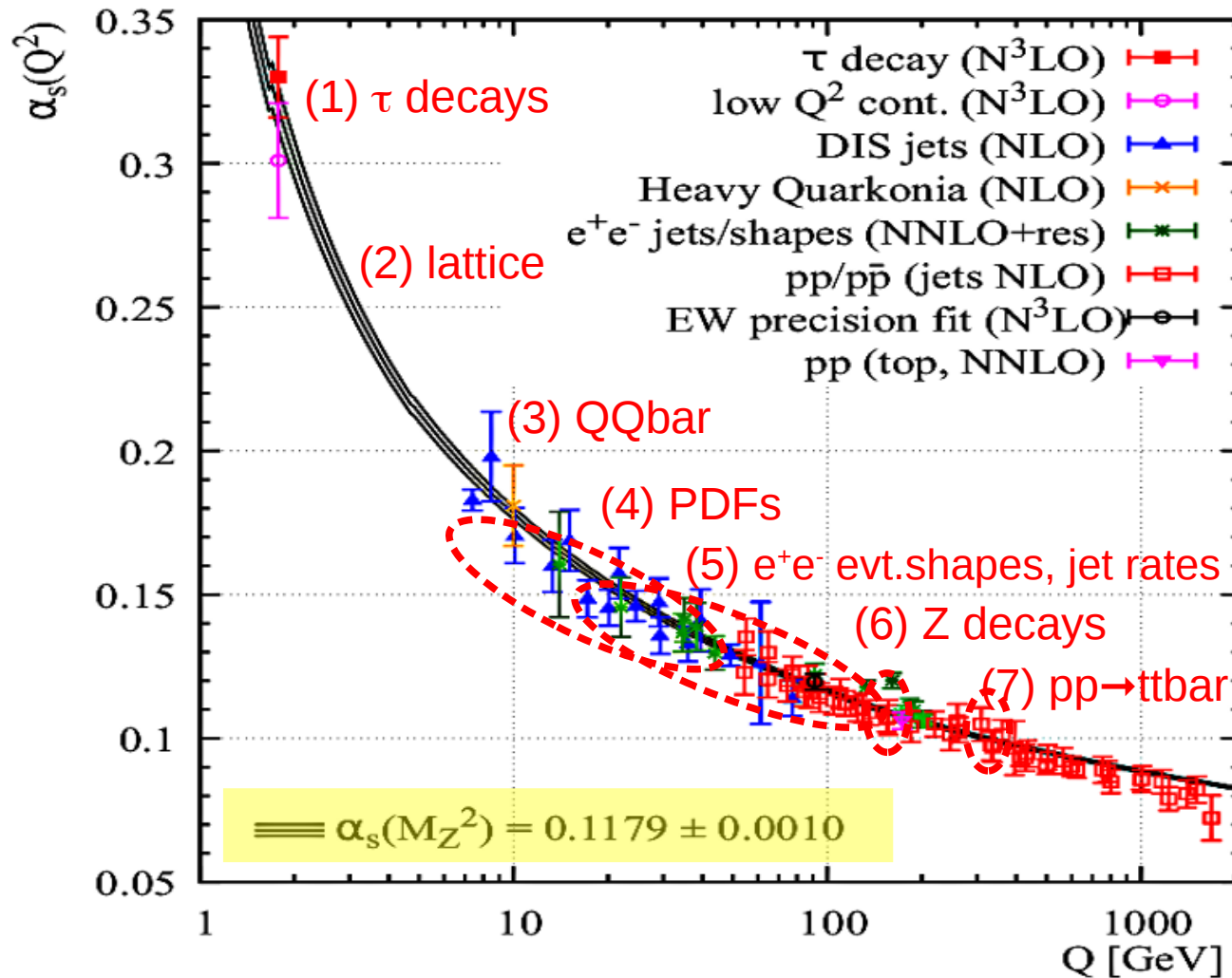
Sven Heinemeyer – 1st FCC physics workshop, CERN, 17.01.2017

Impacts physics approaching Planck scale: EW vacuum stability, GUT



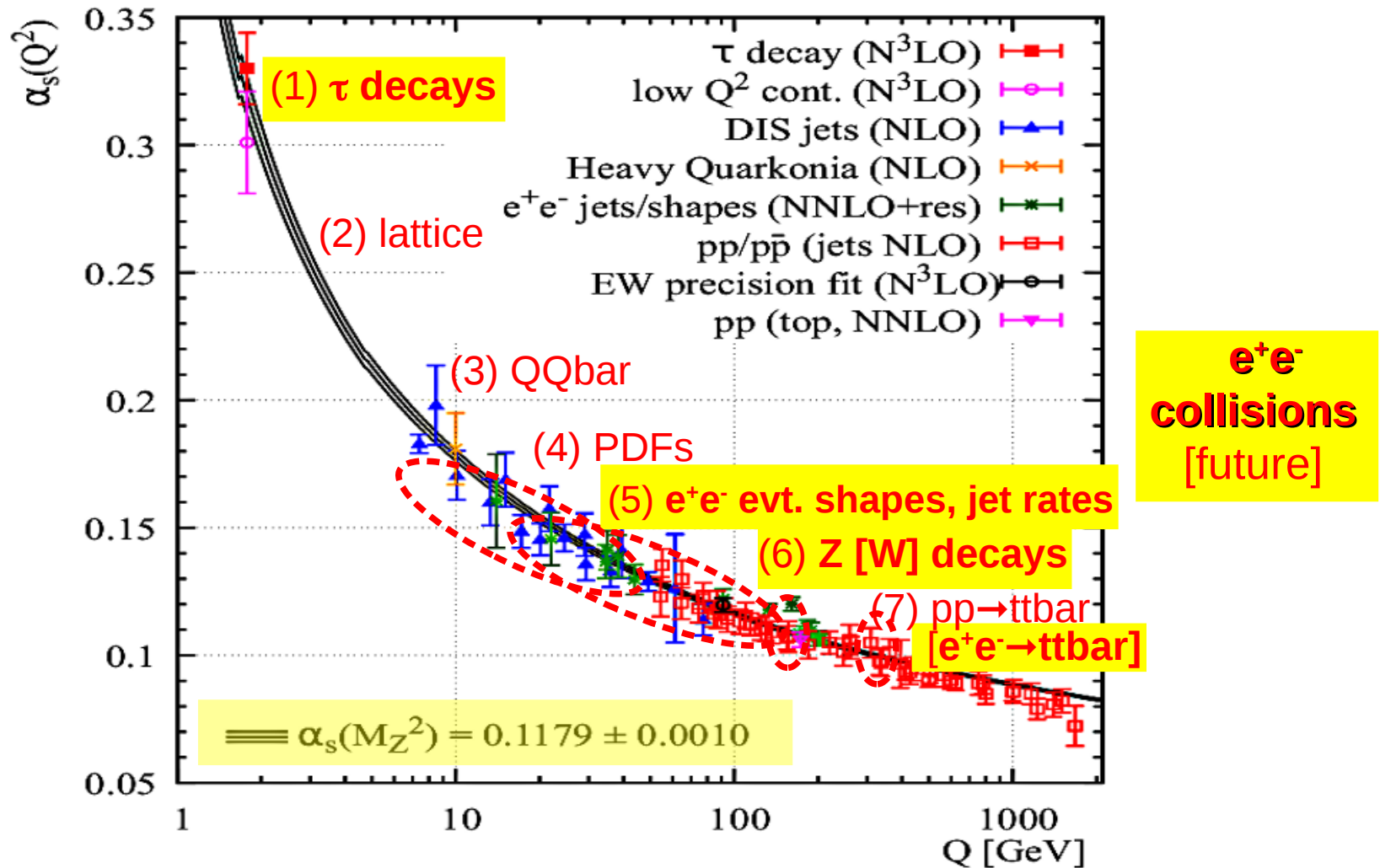
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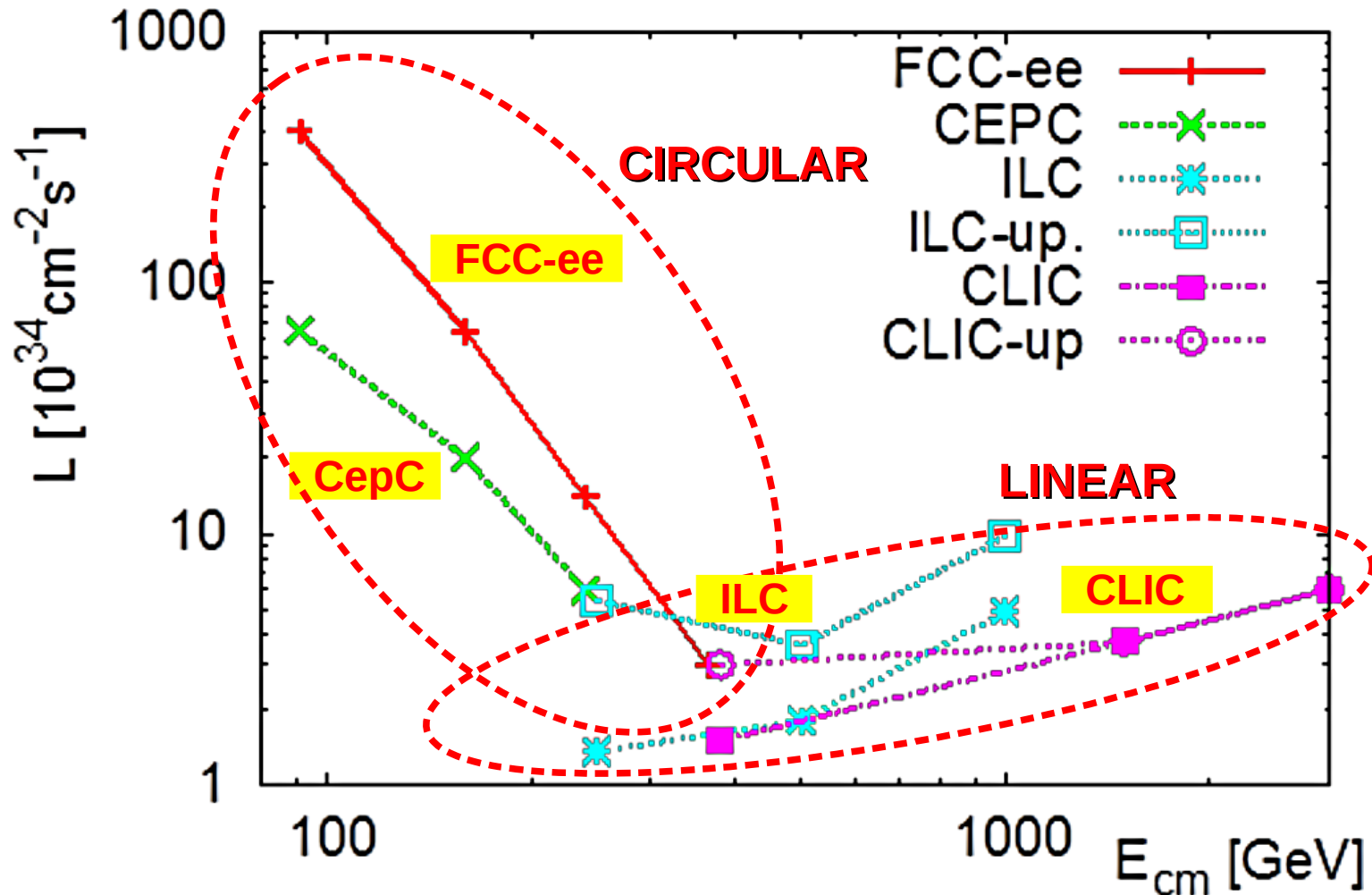


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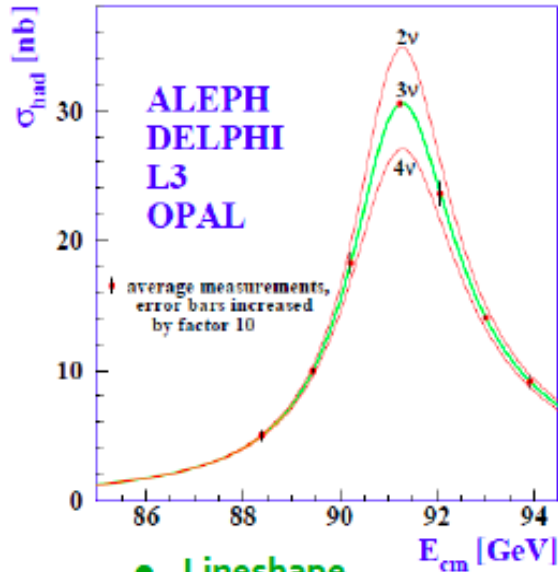
Future e^+e^- colliders under discussion



- FCC-ee features lumis a few times larger than other machines over 90–240 GeV
- Unparalleled Z, W, jets, τ , ... data sets: Negligible α_s stat. uncertainties

Ultra-precise W, Z, top physics at FCC-ee

$\sqrt{s}=91$ GeV, 10^{12} Z's



● **Lineshape**

➔ **Exquisite E_{beam} (unique!)**

➔ m_Z, Γ_Z to 10 keV (stat.)
100 keV (syst.)

● **Asymmetries**

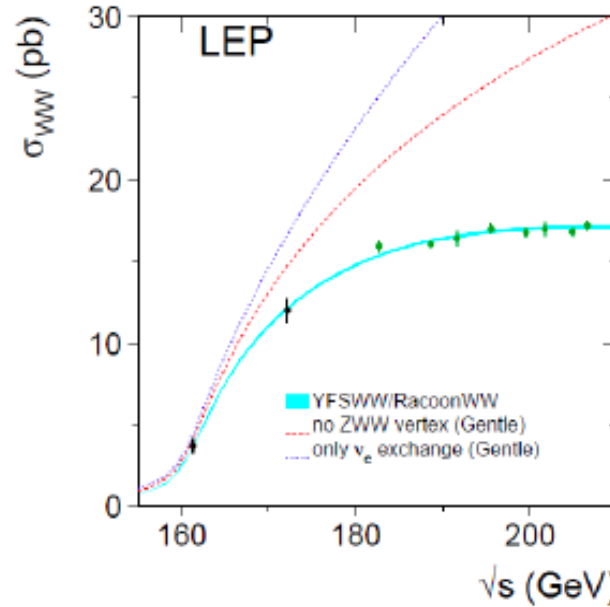
➔ $\sin^2\theta_W$ to 5×10^{-6}

● **Branching ratios, R_l, R_b**

➔ $\alpha_5(m_Z)$ to 0.0002

● **Predict m_{top}, m_W in SM**

$\sqrt{s}=161$ GeV, 10^8 W's



● **Threshold scan**

➔ m_W to 500 keV

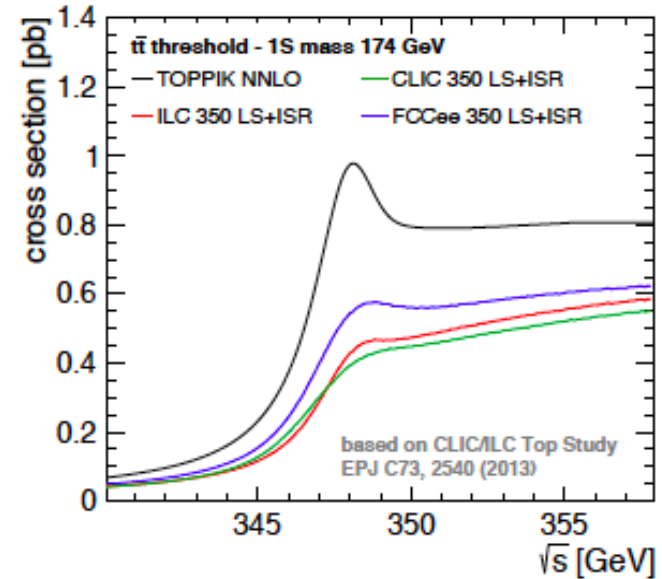
● **Branching ratios R_l, R_{had}**

➔ $\alpha_5(m_W)$ to 0.0002

● **Radiative returns $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma Z$ ($Z \rightarrow \nu\nu, \mu^+\mu^-$)**

➔ N_ν to 0.001

$\sqrt{s}=350$ GeV, 10^6 tops



● **Threshold scan + 4D fit**

➔ m_{top} to 10 MeV (stat.)
40 MeV (th.)

➔ λ_{top} to 13%

➔ EWK couplings to 1–10%

■ Unparalleled Z, W, jets, τ, \dots data sets: Negligible α_s stat. uncertainties

■ **Unparalleled syst. uncert.:** $\delta E_{\text{cm}}(Z, W) \sim 0.1, 0.3$ MeV \rightarrow Very precise $\Gamma_{W,Z}^I$

Hadronic Z, W decay pseudo-observables

DdE, Jacobsen:
arXiv:2005.04545

→ Z & W observables theoretically known at N³LO accuracy:

- The W and Z hadronic widths :

$$\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{had}}(Q) = \Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{Born}} \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(Q) \left(\frac{\alpha_S(Q)}{\pi} \right)^i + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^5) + \delta_{\text{EW}} + \delta_{\text{mix}} + \delta_{\text{np}} \right)$$

96.60%
3.78%
-0.35%
-0.05%
→ 0

- The ratio of W, Z hadronic-to-leptonic widths :

$$R_{W,Z}(Q) = \frac{\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{had}}(Q)}{\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{lep}}(Q)} = R_{W,Z}^{\text{EW}} \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(Q) \left(\frac{\alpha_S(Q)}{\pi} \right)^i + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^5) + \delta_{\text{mix}} + \delta_{\text{np}} \right)$$

- In the Z boson case, the hadronic cross section at the resonance peak in e⁺e⁻:

$$\sigma_Z^{\text{had}} = \frac{12\pi}{m_Z} \cdot \frac{\Gamma_Z^e \Gamma_Z^{\text{had}}}{(\Gamma_Z^{\text{tot}})^2}$$

TH uncertainties:
(α², α³ included for Z):
±0.015–0.03% (Z)
±0.015–0.04% (W)

Parametric uncerts.:
(α_s, m_{Z,W}; V_{cs,ud}):
±0.01–0.03% (Z)
±1.1–1.7% (W)
±0.03% (W, CKM unit)

→ Measured at LEP with ±0.1–0.3% (Z), ±0.9–2% (W) exp. uncertainties:

| | theory | | | experiment | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|--------|----------------|------------------|---------|
| | previous | new (this work) | change | previous [6] | new [20, 21] | change |
| Γ _Z ^{tot} (MeV) | 2494.2 ± 0.8 _{th} | 2495.2 ± 0.6 _{par} ± 0.4 _{th} | +0.04% | 2495.2 ± 2.3 | 2495.5 ± 2.3 | +0.012% |
| R _Z | 20.733 ± 0.007 _{th} | 20.750 ± 0.006 _{par} ± 0.006 _{th} | +0.08% | 20.767 ± 0.025 | 20.7666 ± 0.0247 | -0.040% |
| σ _Z ^{had} (pb) | 41 490 ± 6 _{th} | 41 494 ± 5 _{par} ± 6 _{th} | +0.01% | 41 540 ± 37 | 41 480.2 ± 32.5 | -0.144% |

| W boson observables | GFITTER 2.2 (NNLO) | this work (N ³ LO) | | experiment |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|---------------|
| | | (exp. CKM) | (CKM unit.) | |
| Γ _W ^{had} (MeV) | – | 1440.3 ± 23.9 _{par} ± 0.2 _{th} | 1410.2 ± 0.8 _{par} ± 0.2 _{th} | 1405 ± 29 |
| Γ _W ^{tot} (MeV) | 2091.8 ± 1.0 _{par} | 2117.9 ± 23.9 _{par} ± 0.7 _{th} | 2087.9 ± 1.0 _{par} ± 0.7 _{th} | 2085 ± 42 |
| R _W | – | 2.1256 ± 0.0353 _{par} ± 0.0008 _{th} | 2.0812 ± 0.0007 _{par} ± 0.0008 _{th} | 2.069 ± 0.019 |

Recent update of LEP luminosity bias(*) change the Z values by few permil

(*) Voutsinas et al.
arXiv:1908.01704,
Janot et al.
arXiv:1912.02067

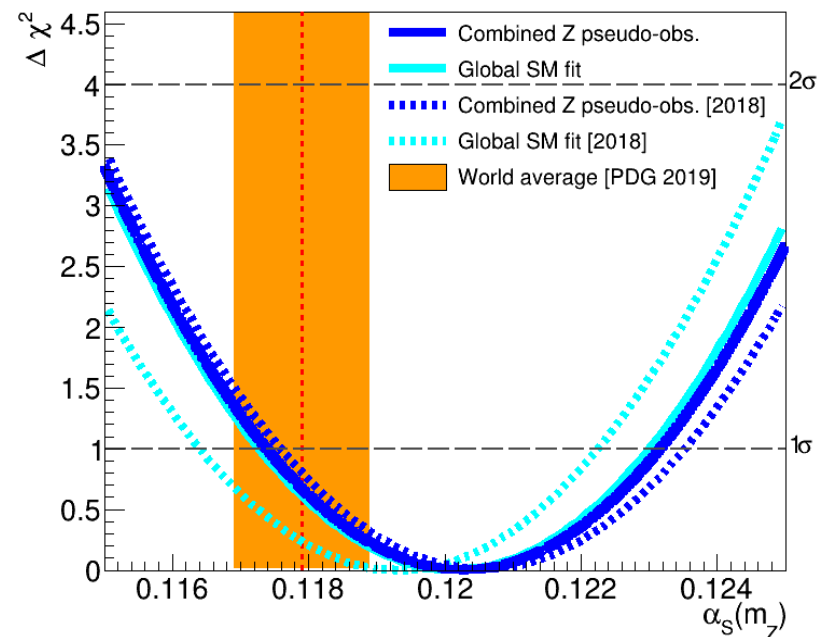
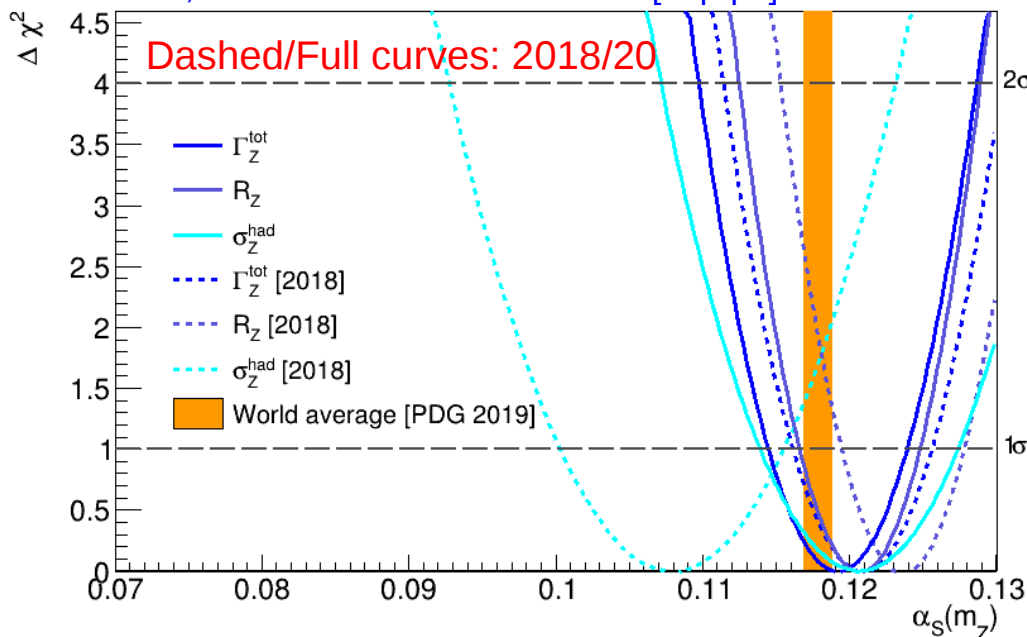
α_s from hadronic Z decays (today)

➔ QCD coupling extracted from:

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| Z boson observable | $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ | | uncertainties | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| | extraction | exp. | param. | theor. |
| Γ_Z^{tot} | 0.1192 ± 0.0047 | ± 0.0046 | ± 0.0005 | ± 0.0008 |
| R_Z | 0.1207 ± 0.0041 | ± 0.0041 | ± 0.0001 | ± 0.0009 |
| σ_Z^{had} | 0.1206 ± 0.0068 | ± 0.0067 | ± 0.0004 | ± 0.0012 |
| All combined | 0.1203 ± 0.0029 | ± 0.0029 | ± 0.0002 | ± 0.0008 |
| Global SM fit | 0.1202 ± 0.0028 | ± 0.0028 | ± 0.0002 | ± 0.0008 |

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➔ LEP lumi-bias updates lead to much better agreement among Γ_Z , R_Z , σ_0 extractions:

➔ Improved $\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1203 \pm 0.0028$ ($\pm 2.3\%$)

PDG'19: $\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1205 \pm 0.0030$ ($\pm 2.5\%$)

➔ EXP/TH updates lead to better agreement with full SM fit:

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PDG'19: $\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1194 \pm 0.0029$

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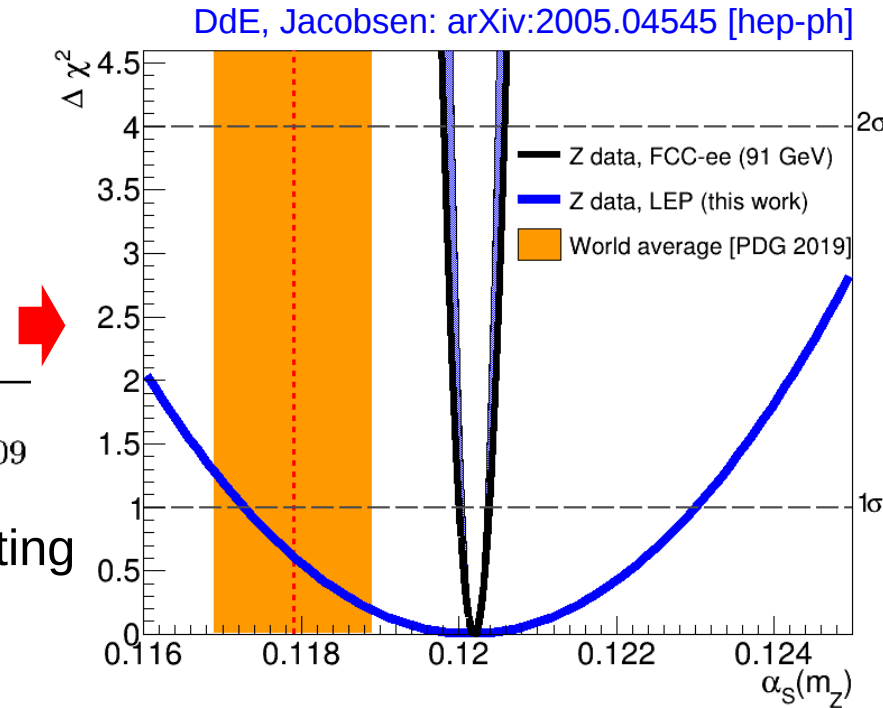
→ FCC-ee:

- Huge Z pole stats. ($\times 10^5$ LEP):
- Exquisite systematic/parametric precision (stat. uncert. negligible):

$$\begin{array}{l} \Delta R_Z = 10^{-3}, \quad R_Z = 20.7500 \pm 0.0010 \\ \Delta \Gamma_Z^{\text{tot}} = 0.1 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_Z^{\text{tot}} = 2495.2 \pm 0.1 \text{ MeV} \\ \Delta \sigma_Z^{\text{had}} = 4.0 \text{ pb}, \quad \sigma_Z^{\text{had}} = 41\,494 \pm 4 \text{ pb} \\ \hline \Delta m_Z = 0.1 \text{ MeV}, \quad m_Z = 91.18760 \pm 0.00001 \text{ GeV} \\ \Delta \alpha = 3 \cdot 10^{-5}, \quad \Delta \alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(m_Z) = 0.0275300 \pm 0.0000009 \end{array}$$

- TH uncert. to be reduced by $\times 4$ computing missing $\alpha_s^5, \alpha^3, \alpha\alpha_s^2, \alpha\alpha_s^2, \alpha^2\alpha_s$ terms

- 10 times better precision than today:
 $\delta\alpha_s/\alpha_s \sim \pm 0.2\%$ (exp+th), $\pm 0.1\%$ (exp)
 Strong (B)SM consistency test.



$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.12030 \pm 0.00028 \quad (\pm 0.2\%)$$

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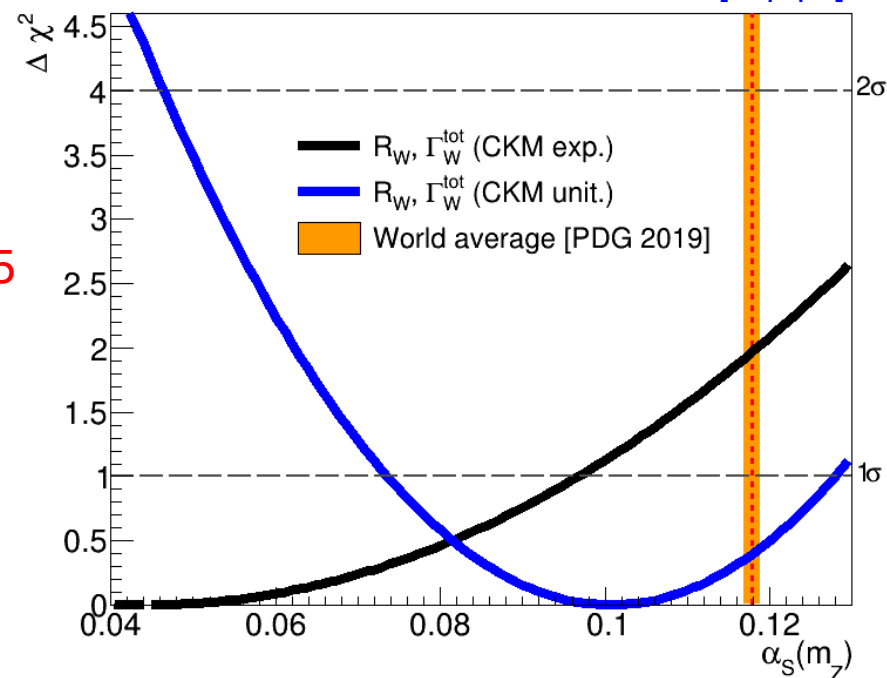
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| $\Gamma_W^{\text{tot}}, R_W$ (CKM unit.) | 0.101 ± 0.027 | ± 0.027 | (± 0.0002) | (± 0.0016) |
| $\Gamma_W^{\text{tot}}, R_W$ (FCC-ee, CKM unit.) | 0.11790 ± 0.00023 | ± 0.00012 | ± 0.00004 | ± 0.00019 |

♦ **Very imprecise extraction:**

- Large propagated parametric uncert. from **poor V_{cs} exp. precision ($\pm 2\%$):**
QCD coupling unconstrained: **0.04 ± 0.05**
- Imposing CKM unitarity: **large exp. uncertainties** from Γ_W, R_W (0.9–2%):
QCD extracted with **$\sim 27\%$ precision**
- **Propagated TH uncertainty** much smaller today: **$\sim 1.5\%$**

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→ FCC-ee extraction:

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– Exquisite syst./parametric precision:

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$$R_W = 2.08000 \pm 0.00008$$

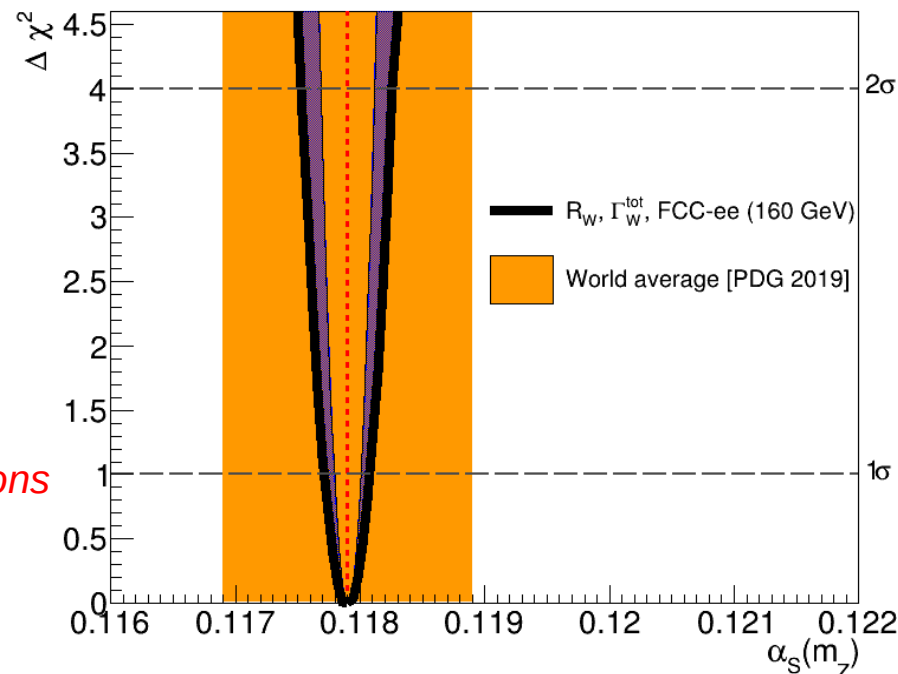
$$m_W = 80.3800 \pm 0.0005 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|V_{cs}| = 0.97359 \pm 0.00010 \leftarrow O(10^{12}) \text{ D mesons}$$

– TH uncertainty to be reduced by $\times 10$ after computing missing $\alpha_s^5, \alpha_s^2, \alpha_s^3,$

$\alpha\alpha_s^2, \alpha\alpha_s^2, \alpha^2\alpha_s$ terms

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Summary: α_s at FCC-ee

■ World-average QCD coupling at N^{2,3}LO today:

- Determined from **7 observables** with combined **$\pm 0.85\%$ uncertainty**: *Least well-known gauge coupling.*
- Impacts **all LHC QCD x-sections & decays.**
- Role **beyond SM**: GUT, EWK vacuum stability, New coloured sectors?

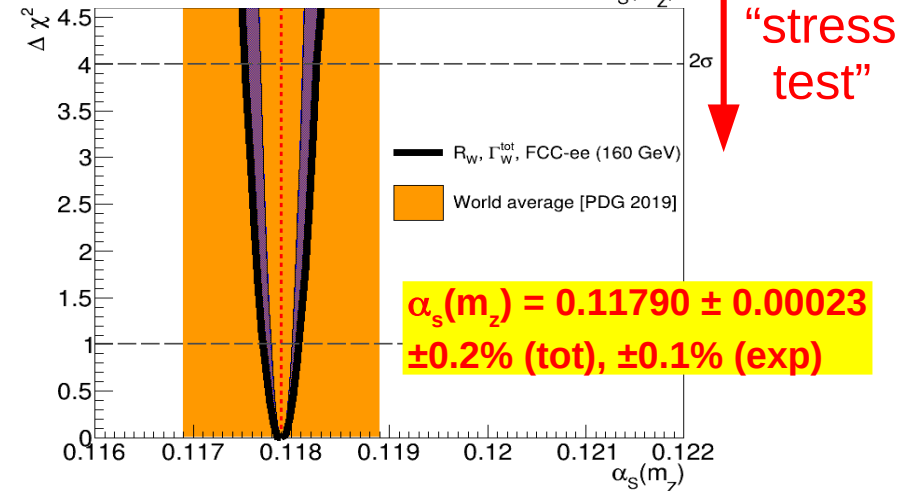
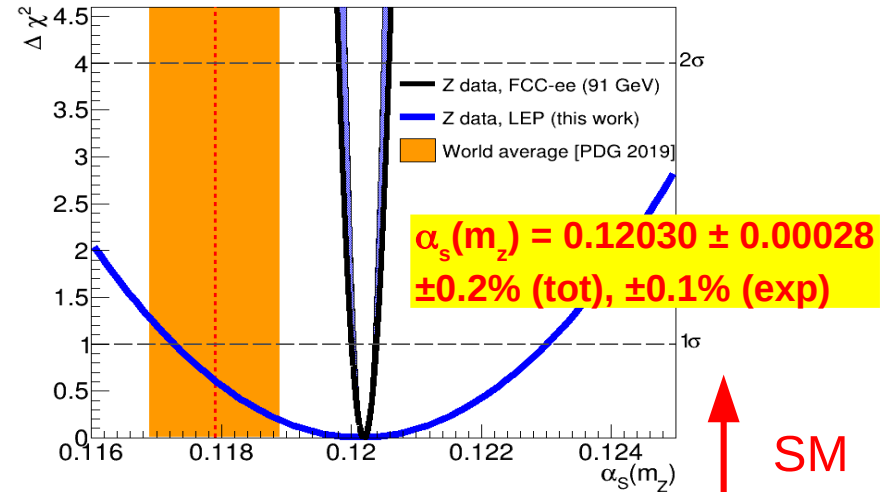
■ Uncerts. for e⁺e⁻ extractions today:

- τ decays: $\pm 1.5\%$ (mostly non-pQCD)
- Shapes, jets: $\pm 2.6\%$ (mostly non-pQCD)
- Z pseudo-observ.: $\pm 2.5\%$ (mostly exp.)

■ New Z, W extractions:

- Z boson: New fit with high-order EW corrections + updated LEP data: **$\pm 2.3\%$, $\pm 0.6\%$, (exp., th.) uncer.**
- W boson: New N³LO fit to Γ_W , R_W **$\sim 47\%$, $\sim 27\%$ (param., exp.) uncer.**

■ Future: 0.1% uncertainty possible with a machine like FCC-e⁺e⁻



Possible detector improvements to bring propagated syst. uncert. on W,Z pseudo-observ. below 0.1%

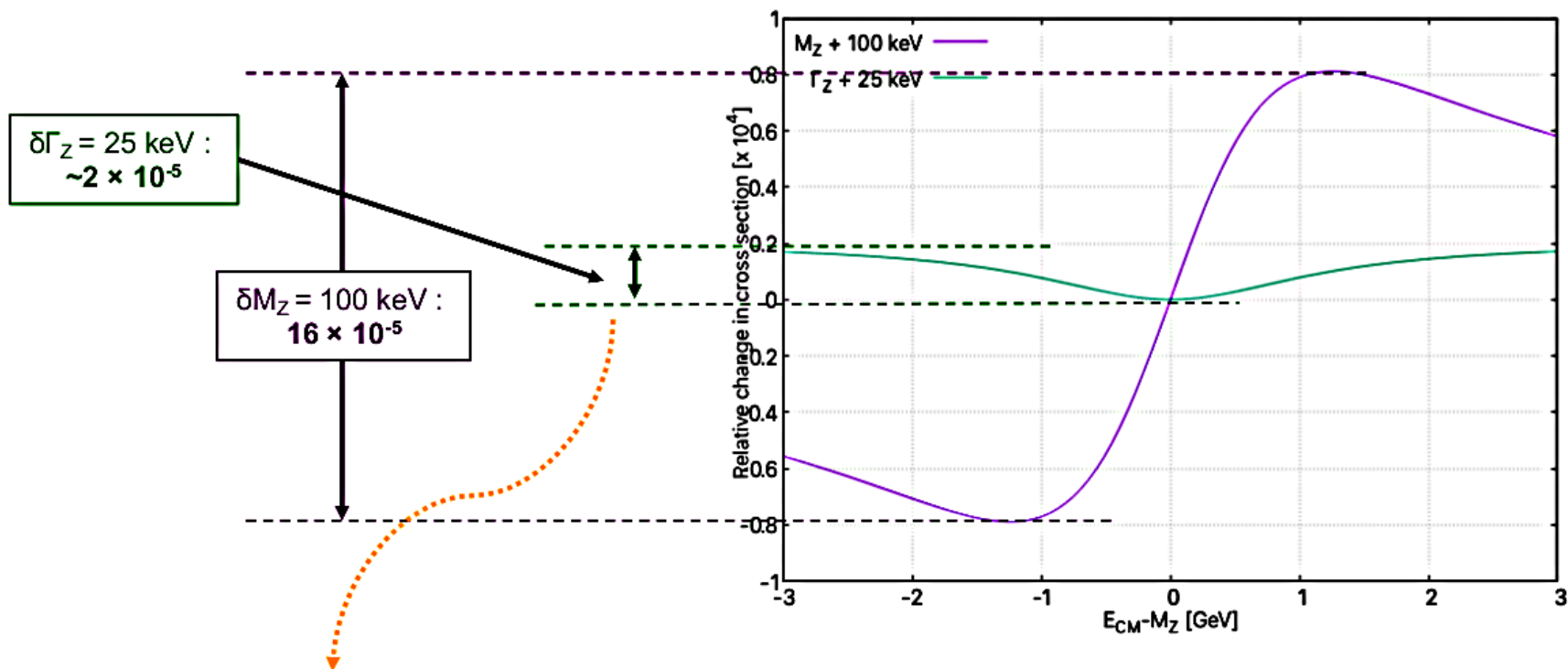
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FCC-ee (91 GeV) syst. uncertainties

- ◆ FCC-ee goal: Via Z line-shape scan, determine Z parameters to precisions:

$$\delta M_Z = 100 \text{ keV}; \quad \delta \Gamma_Z = 25 \text{ keV}$$

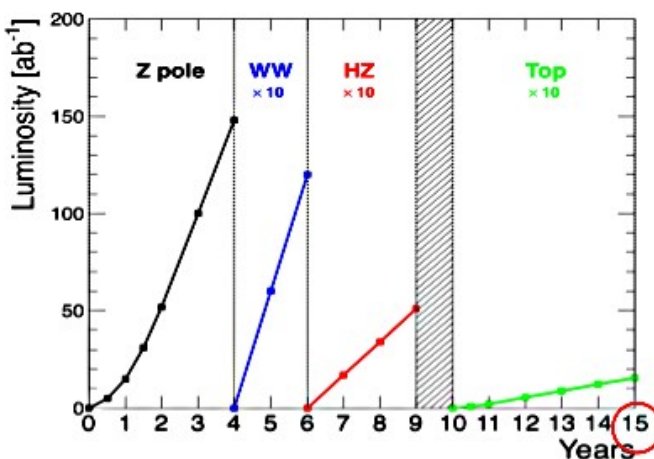
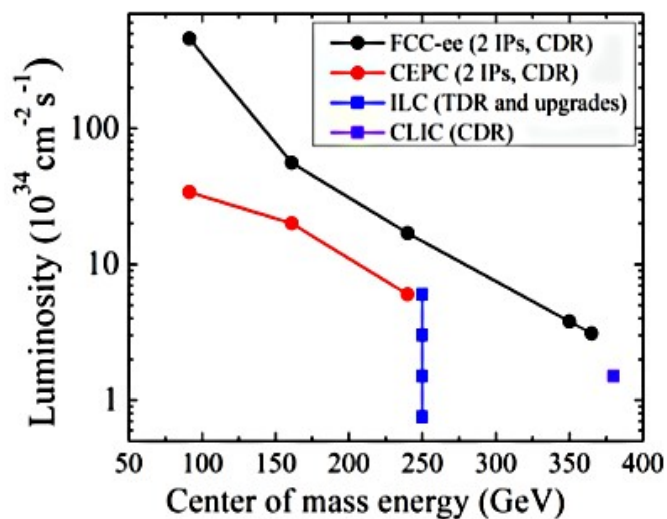
- Plot shows relative change in cross section across Z resonance for parameter variation of this size



- ◆ Z width measurement most demanding: **Need relative normalisation to about 10^{-5}**
 - Need statistics of order 10^{10}
 - Need careful control of energy dependent effects

FCC-ee Luminosity, Operation, Data samples

Largest luminosities in the 88 – 365 GeV energy range



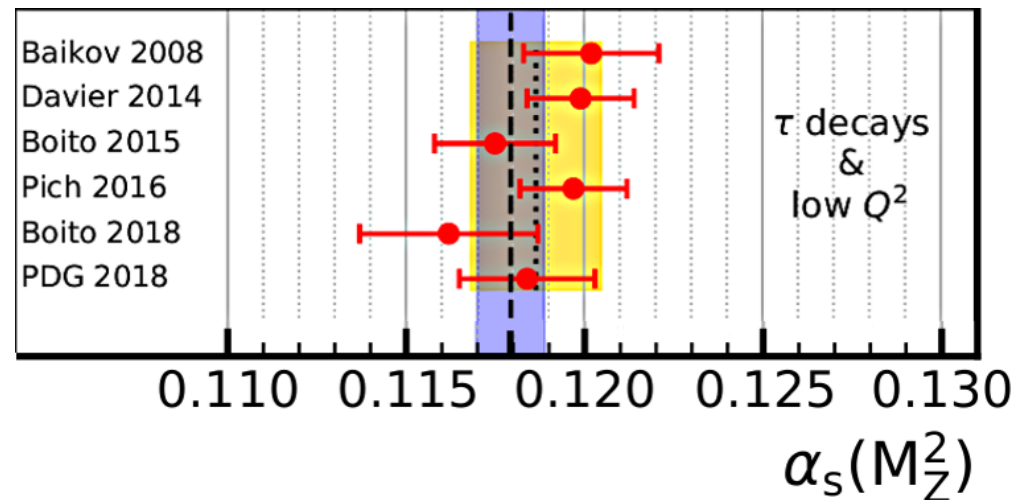
| Event statistics | \sqrt{s} precision |
|---|----------------------|
| $5 \times 10^{12} e^+e^- \rightarrow Z$ | 100 keV |
| $10^8 e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-$ | 300 keV |
| $10^6 e^+e^- \rightarrow HZ$ | 1 MeV |
| $10^6 e^+e^- \rightarrow tt$ | 2 MeV |

| Working point | Z, years 1-2 | Z, later | WW | HZ | tt threshold... | ... and above |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| \sqrt{s} (GeV) | 88, 91, 94 | | 157, 163 | 240 | 340-350 | 365 |
| Lumi/IP ($10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$) | 100 | 200 | 25 | 7 | 0.8 | 1.4 |
| Lumi/year (2 IP) | 24 ab^{-1} | 48 ab^{-1} | 6 ab^{-1} | 1.7 ab^{-1} | 0.2 ab^{-1} | 0.34 ab^{-1} |
| Physics goal | 150 ab^{-1} | | 10 ab^{-1} | 5 ab^{-1} | 0.2 ab^{-1} | 1.5 ab^{-1} |
| Run time (year) | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 |

α_s from hadronic τ -lepton decays

- Computed at **N³LO**: $R_\tau \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{hadrons})}{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau e^- \bar{\nu}_e)} = S_{\text{EW}} N_C (1 + \sum_{n=1}^4 c_n \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^n + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5) + \delta_{\text{np}})$
- Experimentally: $R_{\tau, \text{exp}} = 3.4697 \pm 0.0080$ ($\pm 0.23\%$)

- Various pQCD approaches (**FOPT vs CIPT**) & treatment of **non-pQCD corrections** $(\Lambda/m_\tau)^2 \sim 2\%$, yield different results.



Uncertainty slightly increased:
2013 ($\pm 1.3\%$) \rightarrow 2019 ($\pm 1.5\%$)

$$\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1187 \pm 0.0018 \quad (\pm 1.5\%)$$

Future :

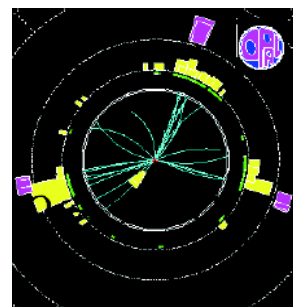
- TH: Better understanding of **FOPT vs CIPT differences**.
- **Better spectral functions** needed (high stats & better precision): B-factories (BELLE-II)?
- **High-stats: $\mathcal{O}(10^{11})$ from $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ at FCC-ee(90) :** $\delta\alpha_s/\alpha_s \ll 1\%$

α_s from e^+e^- event shapes & jet rates (today)

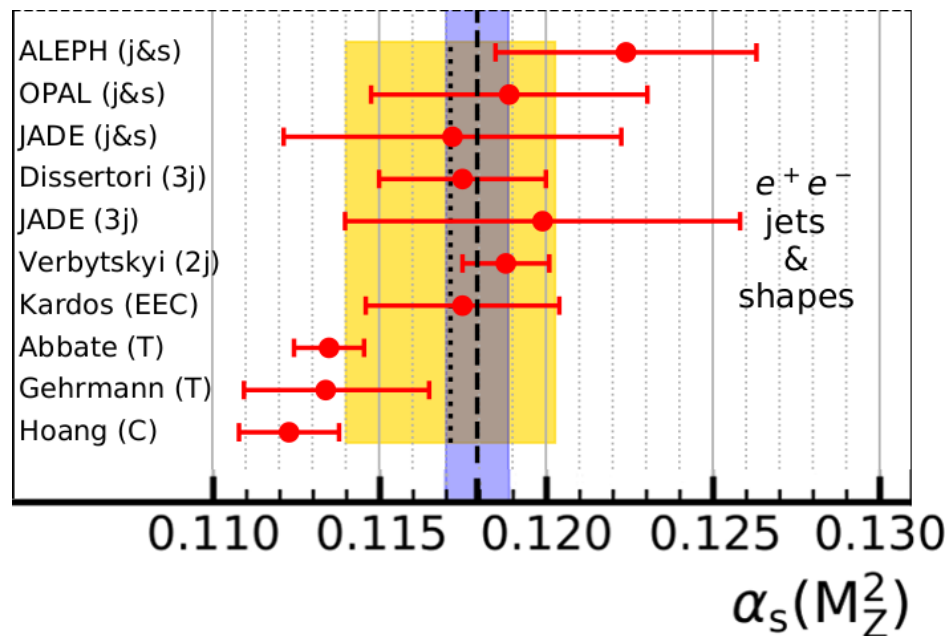
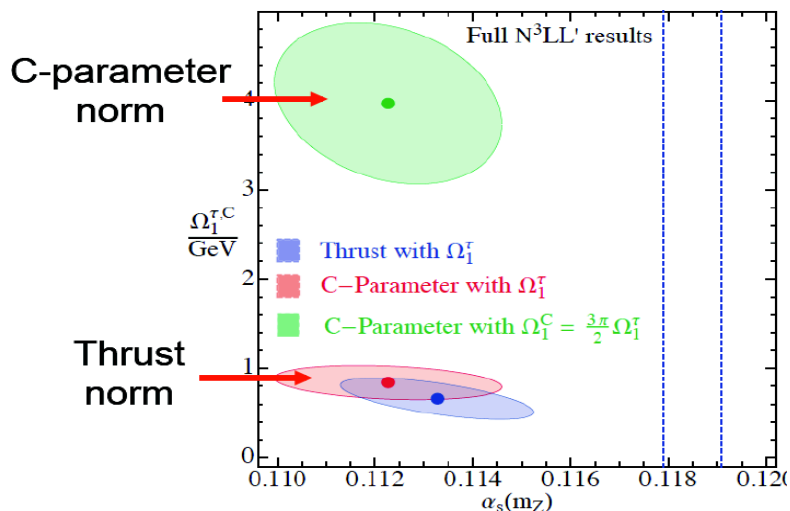
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- Experimentally (LEP):
Thrust, C-parameter, jet shapes
n-jet x-sections
- Results sensitive to non-pQCD (hadronization) accounted for via MCs or analytically:

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OPAL 3 jet event



- Wide span of TH extractions...

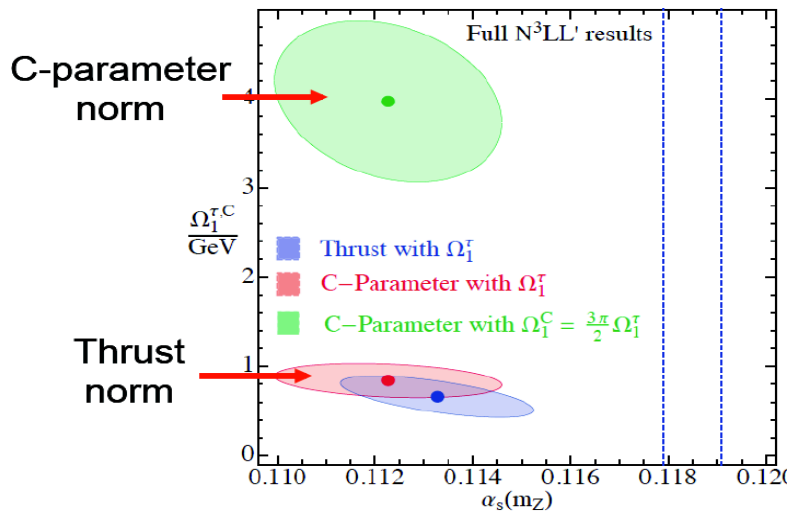
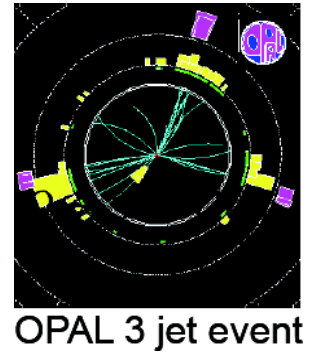
$$\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1171 \pm 0.0031 \quad (\pm 2.6\%)$$

α_s from e^+e^- event shapes & jet rates (FCC-ee)

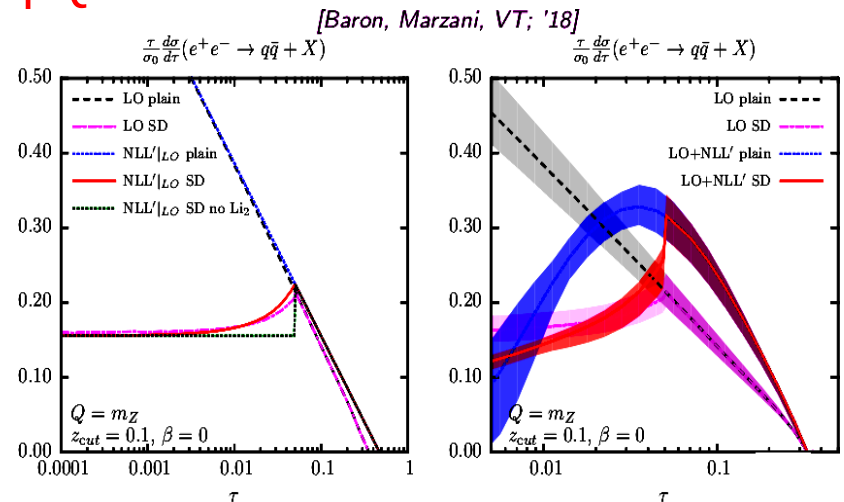
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- Modern jet substructure techniques:
 - “Soft drop” can help reduce non-pQCD corrections for thrust:



- Future: $\delta\alpha_s/\alpha_s < 1\%$
- FCC- e^+e^- : Lower- \sqrt{s} (ISR) for shapes, higher- \sqrt{s} for jet rates
- TH: Improved ($N^{2,3}LL$) resummation for rates, hadronization for shapes

α_s from lattice QCD

- Comparison of short-distance quantities (Wilson loops, q static potential, vacuum polariz.,...) computed at NNLO in pQCD, to lattice QCD “data”:

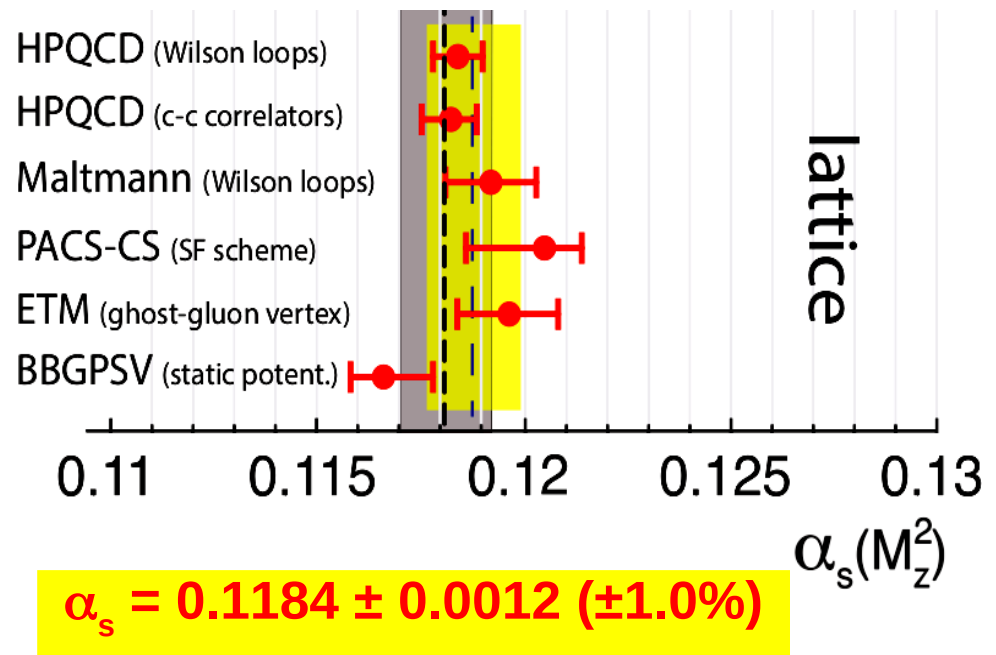
$$K^{\text{NP}} = K^{\text{PT}} = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \alpha_s^i$$

[FLAG Collab. <http://itpwiki.unibe.ch/flag>]

- Currently, it's extraction with **smallest uncertainties: $\pm 1\%$** (lattice spacing & statistics).

Extracted value depends on observables:

Uncertainty **increased:**
2013 ($\pm 0.4\%$) \rightarrow 2017 ($\pm 1.0\%$)

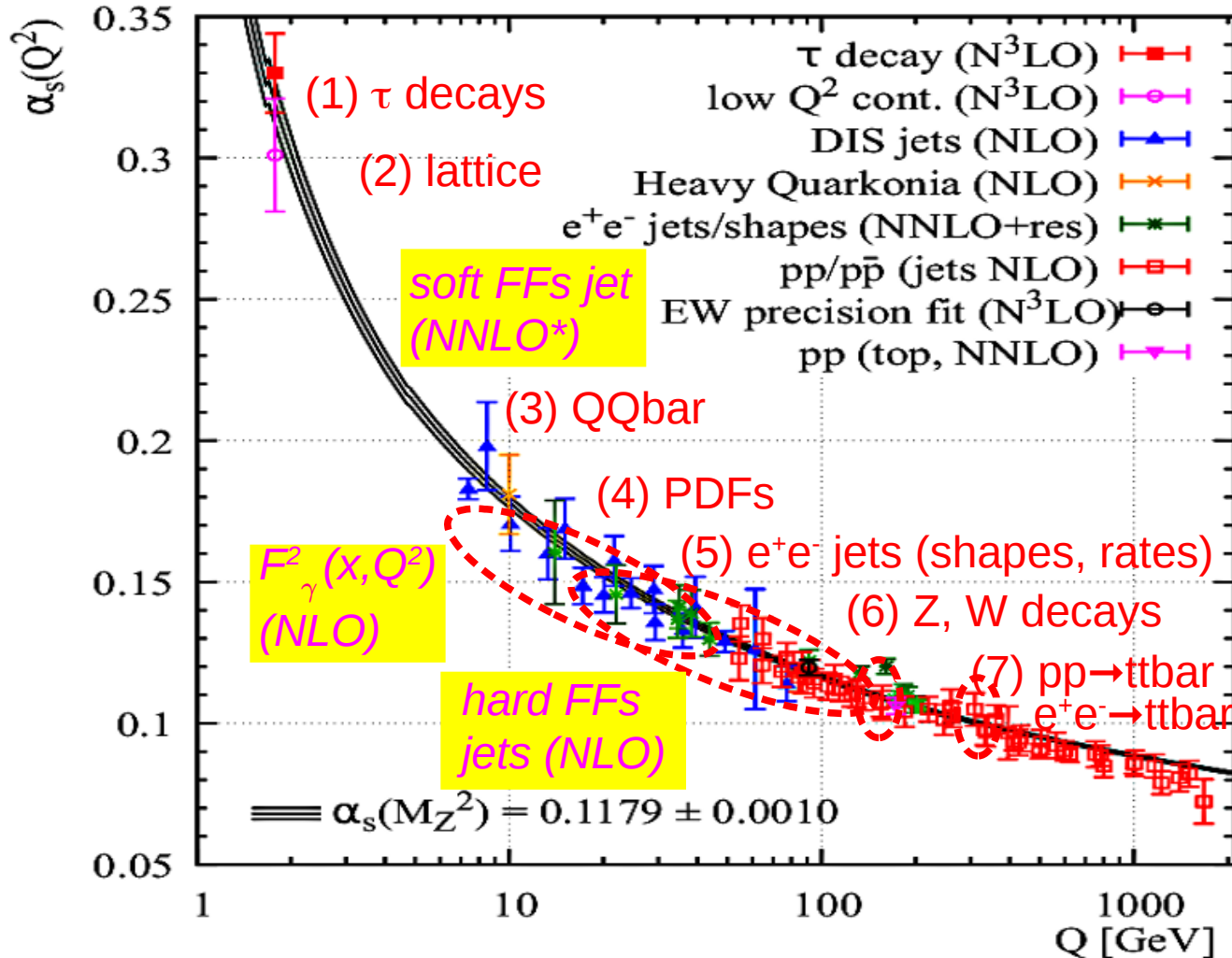


- Future prospects:

- **Uncertainty in α_s could be halved** with (much) better numerical data.
- Reaching **$\pm 0.1\%$ requires 4th-loop** perturbation theory (~10 years?)

Other α_s extractions (not yet in world average)

- There are few other classes of e^+e^- observables, computed today at lower accuracy (NLO, NNLO*), that can be used to extract the QCD coupling:



α_s from photon QCD structure function (NLO)

➔ Computed at NNLO: $\int_0^1 dx F_2^\gamma(x, Q^2, P^2) = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \frac{1}{2\beta_0} \left\{ \frac{4\pi}{\alpha_s(Q^2)} c_{LO} + c_{NLO} + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{4\pi} c_{NNLO} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \right\}$

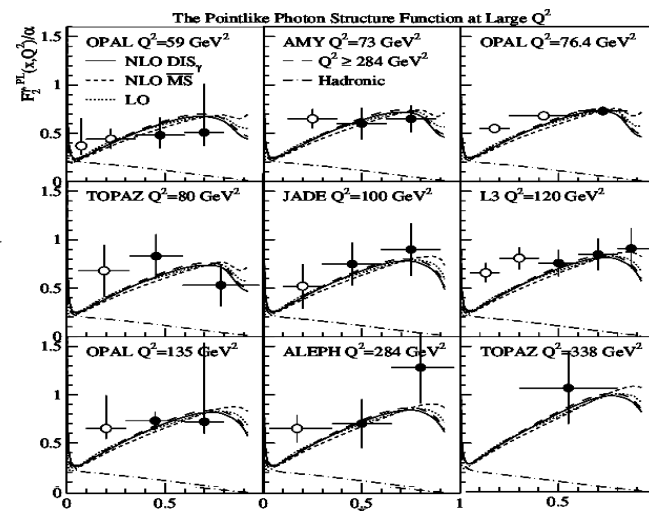
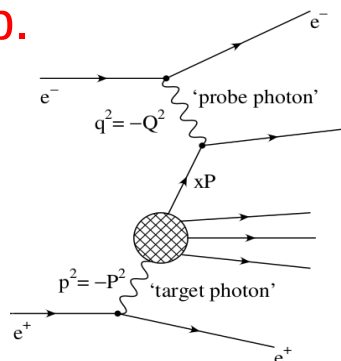
➔ Poor $F_2^\gamma(x, Q^2)$ experimental measurements:

➔ Extraction (NLO) with large exp. uncertainties today:

$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1198 \pm 0.0054$$

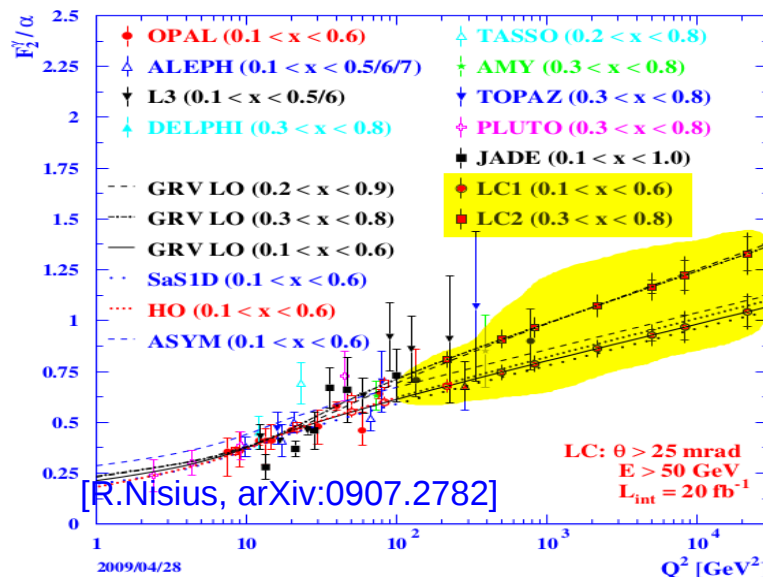
($\pm 4.5\%$)

[M.Klasen et al. PRL89 (2002)122004]



➔ Future prospects:

- Fit with NNLO F_2^γ evolution (ongoing)
- Better data badly needed: Belle-II ?
- Dedicated simul. studies at ILC exist:
- Huge $\gamma\gamma$ (EPA) stats at FCC-ee will lead to: $\delta\alpha_s/\alpha_s < 1\%$



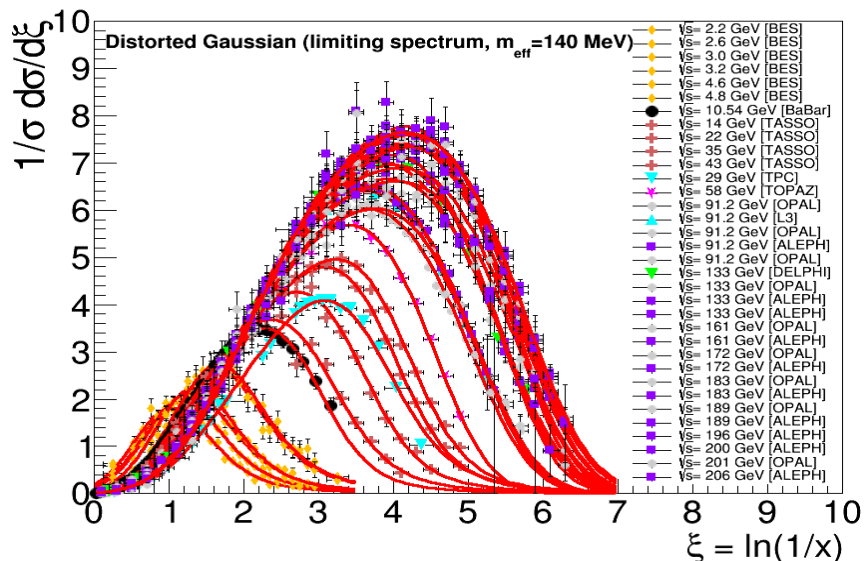
[R.Nisius, arXiv:0907.2782]

α_s extractions from jet fragmentation (NLO, NNLO*)

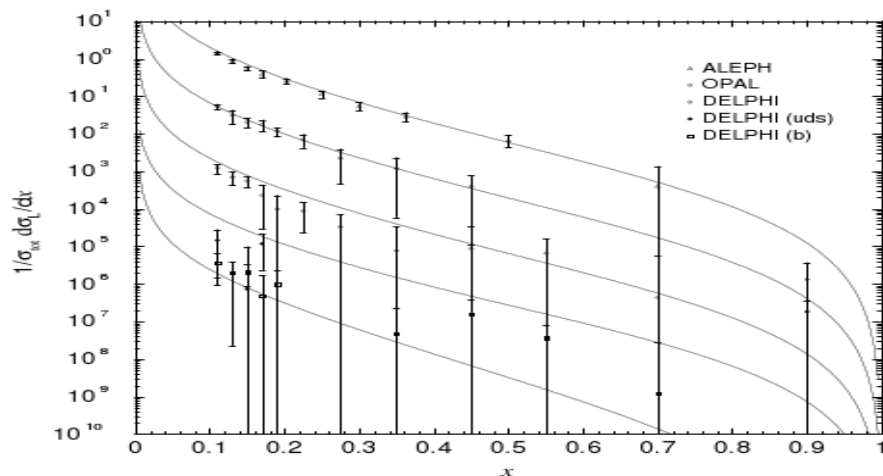
Soft parton-to-hadron FFs (NNLO*+NNLL):

Hard parton-to-hadron FFs (NLO):

[D.d'E., R.Perez-Ramos, arXiv:1505.02624]



$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1176 \pm 0.0055 (\pm 4.7\%)$$



[AKK, B. Kniehl et al., NPB 803(2008)42]

Combined fit of the jet-energy evolution of the FF moments (multiplicity, peak, width,...) with α_s as single free parameter:

$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1205 \pm 0.0022 (\pm 2\%)$$

(full-NNLO corrections missing)

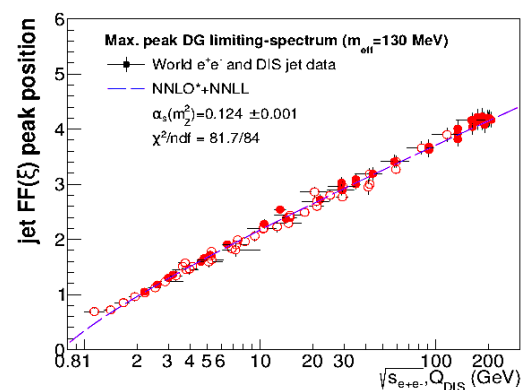
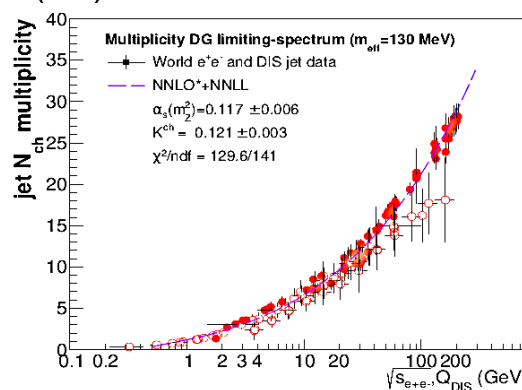


Figure 3: Energy evolution of the charged-hadron multiplicity (left) and of the FF peak position (right) measured in e^+e^- and DIS data fitted to the NNLO*+NNLL predictions. The obtained \mathcal{K}_{ch} normalization constant, individual NNLO* $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ values, and the goodness-of-fit per degree-of-freedom χ^2/ndf .