

Impact of Polarized Beams for Higgs, Electroweak und Dark Matter Physics

- **Motivation**
- **Polarization basics**
- **Some physics examples: Higgs, EW, DM**
- **Conclusions**

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What is the current status of HEP?

- One Higgs particle discovered in 2012
 - strongly consistent with Standard Model (SM) predictions
 - Few excesses around.....(e.g. a scalars at ~95, light SUSY fermions, etc....)
 - but not (yet) confirmed discoveries...
 - Still strong motivation for Beyond Standard Model (BSM) physics
 - Higgs Potential & phase transition: trilinear Higgs couplings crucial
 - Dark Matter, Gravitational Waves, Baryon-Asymmetry, etc.
 - However, scale of new physics window still unclear...
 - additional tools complementary to (HL)LHC analyses required
 - stageable, tuneable high energy, precision e^+e^- collider(s) including polarized beams and high lumi
- ➔ Mature e^+e^- linear collider design(s) with sane polarization available

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	91 GeV	250 GeV	350 GeV	550 GeV	1-3 TeV
$\int \mathcal{L} \text{ (ab}^{-1}\text{)}$	0.1	3	0.2	8	8
beam polarisation (e^-/e^+ ; %)	80/30	80/30	80/30	80/30	80/20
($-+, --, ++, +-)$ (%)	(10,40,40,10)	(5,45,45,5)	(5,68,22,5)	(10,40,40,10)	(10,40,40,10)

Remember the past: physics gain of polarized beams

- **Past experience:**
 - excellent e- polarization $\sim 78\%$ at SLC:
 - led to **best single** measurement of $\sin^2\theta = 0.23098 \pm 0.00026$ on basis of $L \sim 10^{30} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ (~ 600000 Z's)
- **Compare with results from unpolarized beams at LEP:**
 - $\sin^2\theta = 0.23221 \pm 0.00029$ but with $L \sim 2 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ (~ 17 million Z's)
- ➔ Polarization essential for suppression of systematics
- ➔ can even compensate order of magnitude in luminosity for specific observables!
- ➔ *Polarized e- sources well under control, why also polarized e+ required.....?*

Polarization basics

- Longitudinal polarization: $\mathcal{P} = \frac{N_R - N_L}{N_R + N_L}$

- Cross section:

$$\sigma(\mathcal{P}_{e^-}, \mathcal{P}_{e^+}) = \frac{1}{4} \{ (1 + \mathcal{P}_{e^-})(1 + \mathcal{P}_{e^+})\sigma_{RR} + (1 - \mathcal{P}_{e^-})(1 - \mathcal{P}_{e^+})\sigma_{LL} \\ + (1 + \mathcal{P}_{e^-})(1 - \mathcal{P}_{e^+})\sigma_{RL} + (1 - \mathcal{P}_{e^-})(1 + \mathcal{P}_{e^+})\sigma_{LR} \}$$

- Unpolarized cross section:

$$\sigma_0 = \frac{1}{4} \{ \sigma_{RR} + \sigma_{LL} + \sigma_{RL} + \sigma_{LR} \}$$

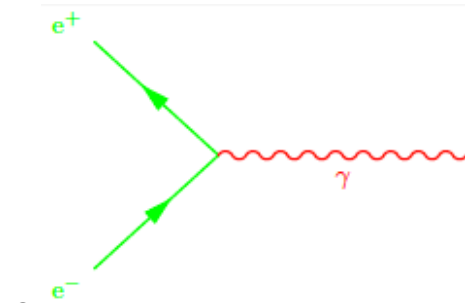
- Left-right asymmetry:

$$A_{LR} = \frac{(\sigma_{LR} - \sigma_{RL})}{(\sigma_{LR} + \sigma_{RL})}$$

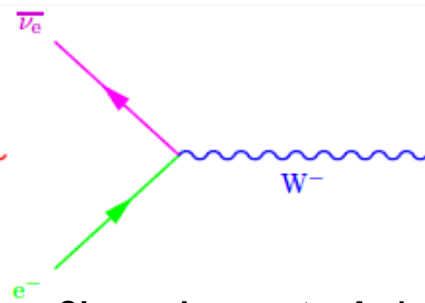
- Effective polarization and luminosity:

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{e^-} - \mathcal{P}_{e^+}}{1 - \mathcal{P}_{e^-}\mathcal{P}_{e^+}} \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \mathcal{P}_{e^-}\mathcal{P}_{e^+})\mathcal{L}$$

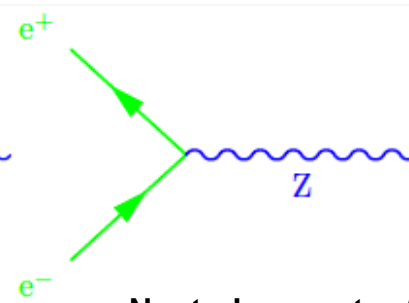
SM Vertices & some Processes



QED: parity conserved, $A=0$

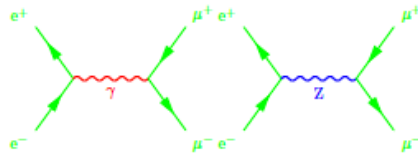


Charged currents: $A=1$
Parity violating
only left-handed e^- couple

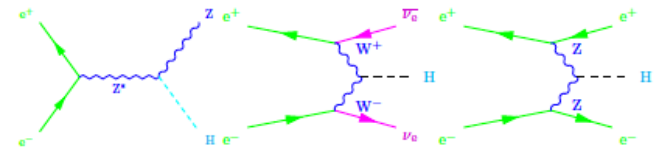


Neutral currents: $A=0.15$
Parity violating
left-handed e^- , right-handed e^+

2 Fermion: LR, RL

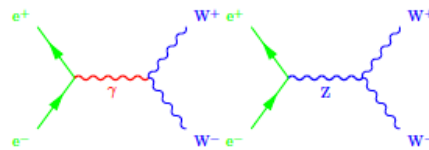


Higgs: LR, RL

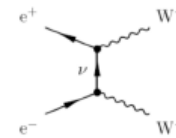


W-production:

LR, RL:

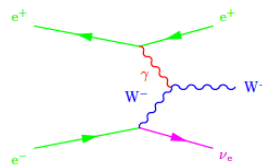


only LR:



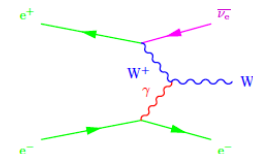
Single W-:

only LR and LL!:



Single W^+ :

only RL and RR!:



Statistical arguments

- Effective polarization

$$P_{eff} := (P_{e-} - P_{e+}) / (1 - P_{e-}P_{e+})$$








$$= (\#LR - \#RL) / (\#LR + \#RL)$$

'analyzing power'

- Fraction of colliding particles

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff}/\mathcal{L} := \frac{1}{2}(1 - P_{e-}P_{e+}) = (\#LR + \#RL) / (\#all)$$

'running time'

P_{e-}	P_{e+}		h_{e-}	h_{e+}	cross section	
-1	0		-1	+1	σ_{LR}	→ 0 ½ of events do not react !
			-1	-1	σ_{LL}	
+1	0		+1	-1	σ_{RL}	→ 0 ½ of events do not react !
			+1	+1	σ_{RR}	
-1	+1		-1	+1	σ_{LR}	
+1	-1		+1	+1	σ_{RL}	

⇒ Enhancing of \mathcal{L}_{eff} with $P(e^-)$ and $P(e^+)$!

➡ less running time only with both beams polarized !

Short reminder: why polarized e^\pm needed?

- Important issue: measuring amount of polarization
 - **limiting systematic** uncertainty for high statistics measurements
 - Compton polarimeters (up- /downstream): **envisaged uncertainties of $\Delta P/P=0.25\%$**
- Advantage of adding positron polarization:
 - **Substantial** enhancement of **eff. luminosity** and **eff. polarization**
 - **new** independent **observables**
 - **handling of limiting systematics** and access to in-situ measurements: **$\Delta P/P=0.1\%$ achievable!**
 - *allows exploitation of transversely-polarized beams!*
- Physics impact: Higgs-Physics, WW/Z/top-Physics and on New Physics !

Literature: polarized e^+e^- beams at a LC (only a few examples)

- LCC-Physics Group: 'The role of positron polarization for the initial 250 GeV stage of ILC', arXiv: 1801.02840
- G. Moortgat-Pick et al. (~85 authors) : 'Pol. positrons and electrons at the LC', Phys. Rept. 460 (2008), hep-ph/0507011
- G. Wilson: 'Prec. Electroweak measurements at a Future e^+e^- LC', ICHEP2016, R. Karl, J. List, LCWS2016, 1703.00214
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- Higher precision and better control of systematics

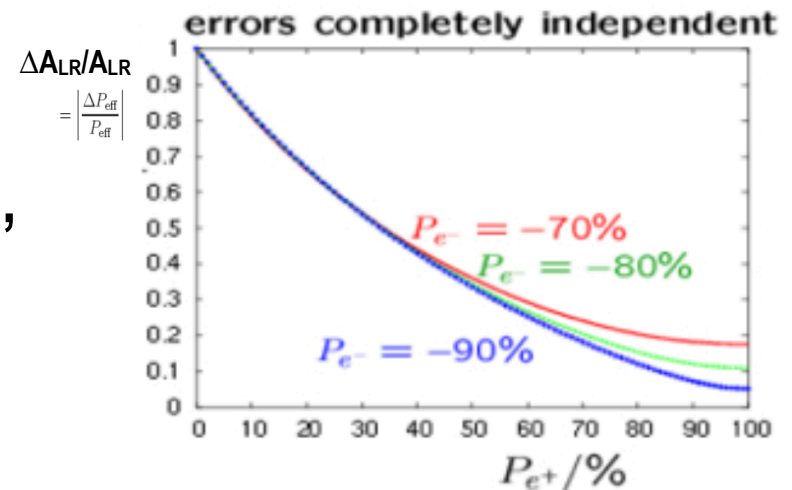
⇒ $\Delta A_{LR}/A_{LR} \sim \Delta P_{eff}/P_{eff}$

⇒ (90%, 60%): $P_{eff} = 97\%$

$\Delta A_{LR}/A_{LR} = 0.27$ 'gain factor ~3'

⇒ (90%, 30%): $P_{eff} = 94\%$

$\Delta A_{LR}/A_{LR} = 0.5$ 'gain factor ~2'



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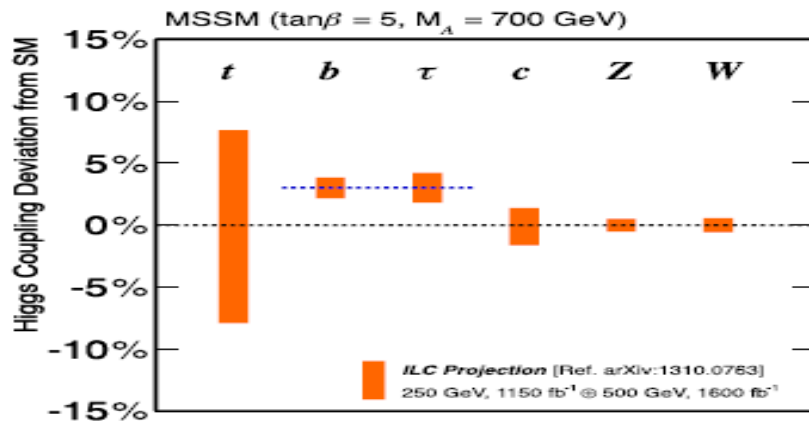
- enables to exploit azimuthal asymmetries in fermion production !
- the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-$:
 - ⇒ azimuthal asymmetry projects out $W_L^+W_L^-$ *e.g. Fleischer et al,*
- the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$:
 - ⇒ probe leptoquark models *e.g. Rindani, Poulou, et al.*
- the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow f\bar{f}$:
 - ⇒ probe extra dimensions *e.g. Hewett, Rizzo et al.*
- the construction of CP violating observables: *e.g. Cheng Li et al.*
 - ⇒ matrix elements $|M|^2 \sim \mathcal{C} \times \Delta(\alpha) \Delta^*(\beta) \times \mathcal{S}$ (\mathcal{C} =coupl., Δ =prop., \mathcal{S} =momenta)
 - if CP violation: contributions of $\text{Im}(\mathcal{C}) \times \text{Im}(\mathcal{S})$ (e.g. contributions of ϵ tensors!)
 - ⇒ azimuthal dependence ('not only in scattering plane')
 - ⇒ observables are e.g. asymmetries of CP-odd quantities: $\vec{p}_a(\vec{p}_b \times \vec{p}_c)$

Physics Examples: Impact of polarization

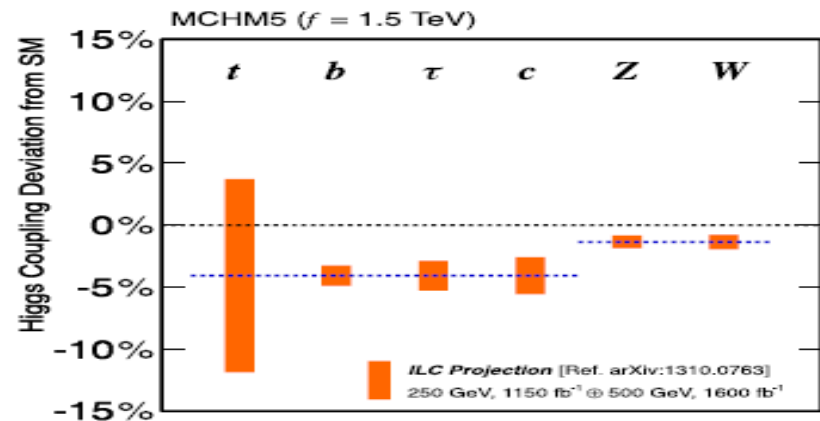
- Expected BSM deviations in Higgs measurements:
 - Could be the only SM Higgs....but DM? gauge unification?
 - Could be a SUSY Higgs (one has to be close to a SM-like one)
 - Could be a composite state

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Supersymmetry (MSSM)



Composite Higgs (MCHM5)



ILC 250+500 LumiUp

- **Determination of Higgs couplings in 1% level essential for ILC250!**

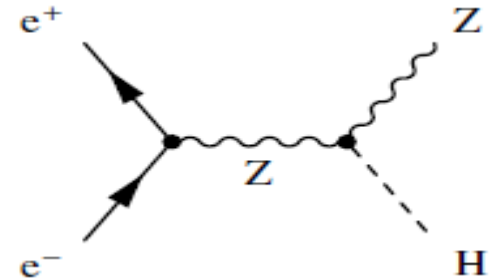
Process: Higgs Strahlung

$\sqrt{s}=250 \text{ GeV}$

- $\sqrt{s}=250 \text{ GeV}$: dominant process

- Why crucial?

- allows model-independent access!
- Absolute measurement of Higgs cross section $\sigma(HZ)$ and g_{HZZ} : crucial input for all further Higgs measurement!
- Allows access to $H \rightarrow$ invisible/exotic
- Allows with measurement of Γ_{tot}^h absolute measurement of BRs!
- If no P(e+): 20% longer running time!.....~few years and less precision!



Higgs Sector @250 GeV

- What if no polarization / no P_{e+} available?

- Higgsstrahlung dominant $\sigma_{\text{pol}}/\sigma_{\text{unpol}} \sim (1 - 0.151 P_{\text{eff}}) * L_{\text{eff}}/L$

With $P_{e+}=0\%$: $\sigma_{\text{pol}}/\sigma_{\text{unpol}} \sim 1.13$

With $P_{e+}=30\%$ $\sigma_{\text{pol}}/\sigma_{\text{unpol}} \sim 1.51$ (about 33% increase comp. to 0%)

- Background: mainly ZZ (if leptonic), WW (if hadronic)

- S/B: 1.14 (+,0) 4.35 (+,0)

1.20 (+,-) 12.6 (+,-)

- S/ \sqrt{B} : 0.99 (+,0) 1.95 (+,0)

1.22 (+,-) 3.98 (+,-)

➤ Loss if no P_{e+} : ~20% ~ factor 2

- P_{e+} is important for achieving best precision

CP properties of h125

\mathcal{CP} properties: more difficult than spin, observed state can be **any admixture** of \mathcal{CP} -even and \mathcal{CP} -odd components

Observables mainly used for investigation of \mathcal{CP} -properties ($H \rightarrow ZZ^*, WW^*$ and H production in weak boson fusion) involve **HVV** coupling

General structure of HVV coupling (from Lorentz invariance):

$$a_1(q_1, q_2)g^{\mu\nu} + a_2(q_1, q_2) \left[(q_1 q_2) g^{\mu\nu} - q_1^\mu q_2^\nu \right] + a_3(q_1, q_2) \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} q_{1\rho} q_{2\sigma}$$

SM, pure \mathcal{CP} -even state: $a_1 = 1, a_2 = 0, a_3 = 0,$

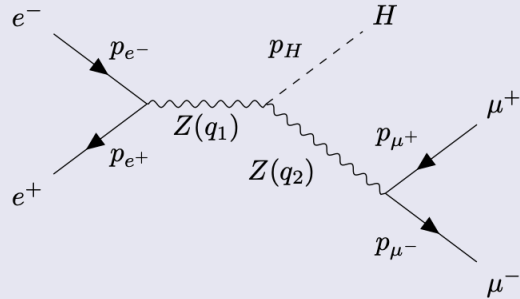
Pure \mathcal{CP} -odd state: $a_1 = 0, a_2 = 0, a_3 = 1$

However: in many models (example: SUSY, 2HDM, ...) a_3 is loop-induced and heavily suppressed

Probing CP at the e^+e^- collider

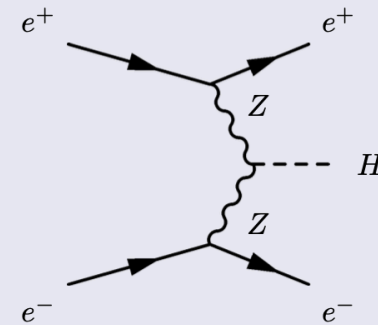
- CP probes of HZZ via Z-decay from HZ or Z fusion

Higgs Strahlung



- Unpolarised study at CEPC [Q. Sha et al. 22]
- The spin information of the initial transversely polarised electrons is carried by the Z boson and transferred to the $\mu^+\mu^-$ pair by the Z decay

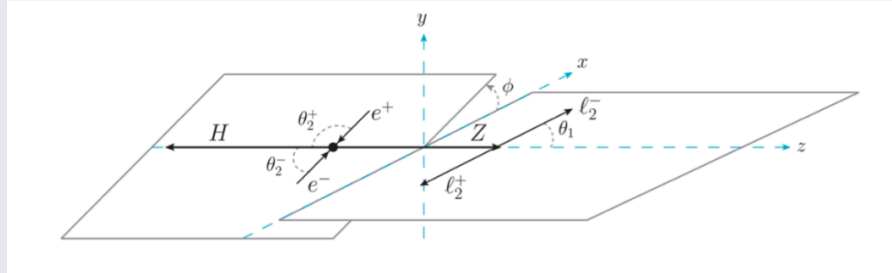
Z fusion



- Z-fusion study at 1 TeV [I. Bozovic et al. 24]
- Z-fusion process **cannot** carry the spin information of initial transversely polarised beams, since the final state electron and positron are unpolarised

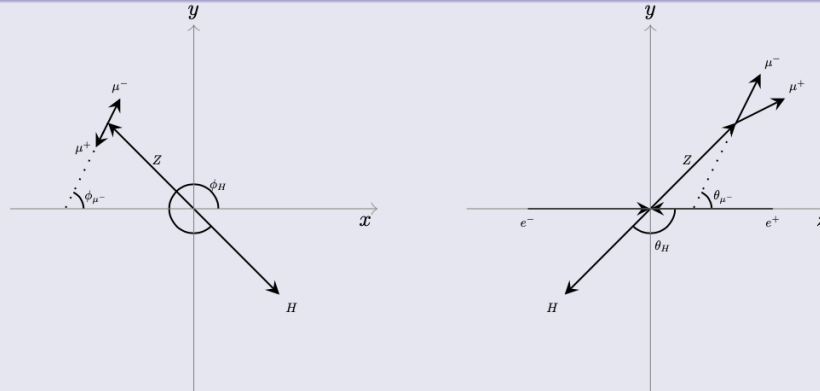
CP-sensitive observables

Coordinate systems with unpolarised or longitudinal polarised beams



- The ϕ is the azimuthal angle difference between the $\mu^- - \mu^+$ plane and the Z - H plane

Coordinate systems with transversely polarised beams ($\vec{n}_y \propto \vec{s}_{e-}$, $\vec{n}_x \propto \vec{s}_{e-} \times \vec{p}_{e-}$, $\vec{n}_z \propto \vec{p}_{e-}$)



- The $\phi_{\mu-}$ is the azimuthal angle of the $\mu^- - \mu^+$ plane with fixing the y -axis orientation to \vec{s}_{e-}

Comparison of both methods

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EFF}} = c_{\text{SM}} Z_{\mu} Z^{\mu} H - \frac{c_{HZZ}}{v} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} H - \frac{\tilde{c}_{HZZ}}{v} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}^{\mu\nu} H$$

	95% C.L. (2σ) limit						
Experiments	ATLAS	CMS	HL-LHC	CEPC	CLIC	CLIC	ILC
Processes	$H \rightarrow 4\ell$	$H \rightarrow 4\ell$	$H \rightarrow 4\ell$	HZ	W -fusion	Z -fusion	$HZ, Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
\sqrt{s} [GeV]	13000	13000	14000	240	3000	1000	250
Luminosity [fb^{-1}]	139	137	3000	5600	5000	8000	5000
($ P_- , P_+ $)							(90%, 40%)
$\tilde{c}_{HZZ} (\times 10^{-2})$	[-16.4, 24.0]	[-9.0, 7.0]	[-9.1, 9.1]	[-1.6, 1.6]	[-3.3, 3.3]	[-1.1, 1.1]	[-1.1, 1.0]
$f_{CP}^{HZZ} (\times 10^{-5})$	[-409.82, 873.58]	[-123.78, 74.91]	[-126.54, 126.54]	[-3.92, 3.92]	[-16.66, 16.66]	[-1.85, 1.85]	[-1.85, 1.53]
\tilde{c}_{ZZ}	[-1.2, 1.75]	[-0.66, 0.51]	[-0.66, 0.66]	[-0.12, 0.12]	[-0.24, 0.24]	[-0.08, 0.08]	[-0.08, 0.07]

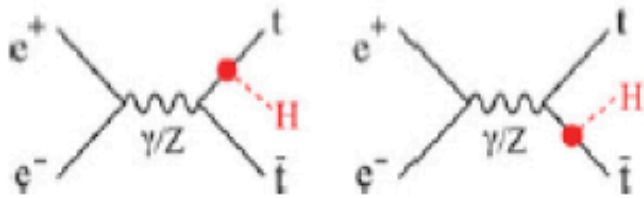
- The e^+e^- colliders can significantly improve the sensitivity to CP-odd HZZ coupling compared to the LHC or HL-LHC.
- The sensitivity with polarised beams is better than the analysis with unpolarised beams, where the center-of-mass energy and luminosity are similar.
- The Z -fusion process can have similar sensitivity but with much higher center-of-mass energy.

Top Yukawa Coupling

top-Yukawa coupling crucial:

- since strongest coupling to Higgs sector
- g_{ttH} offers new surprises, needs model-independent measurement

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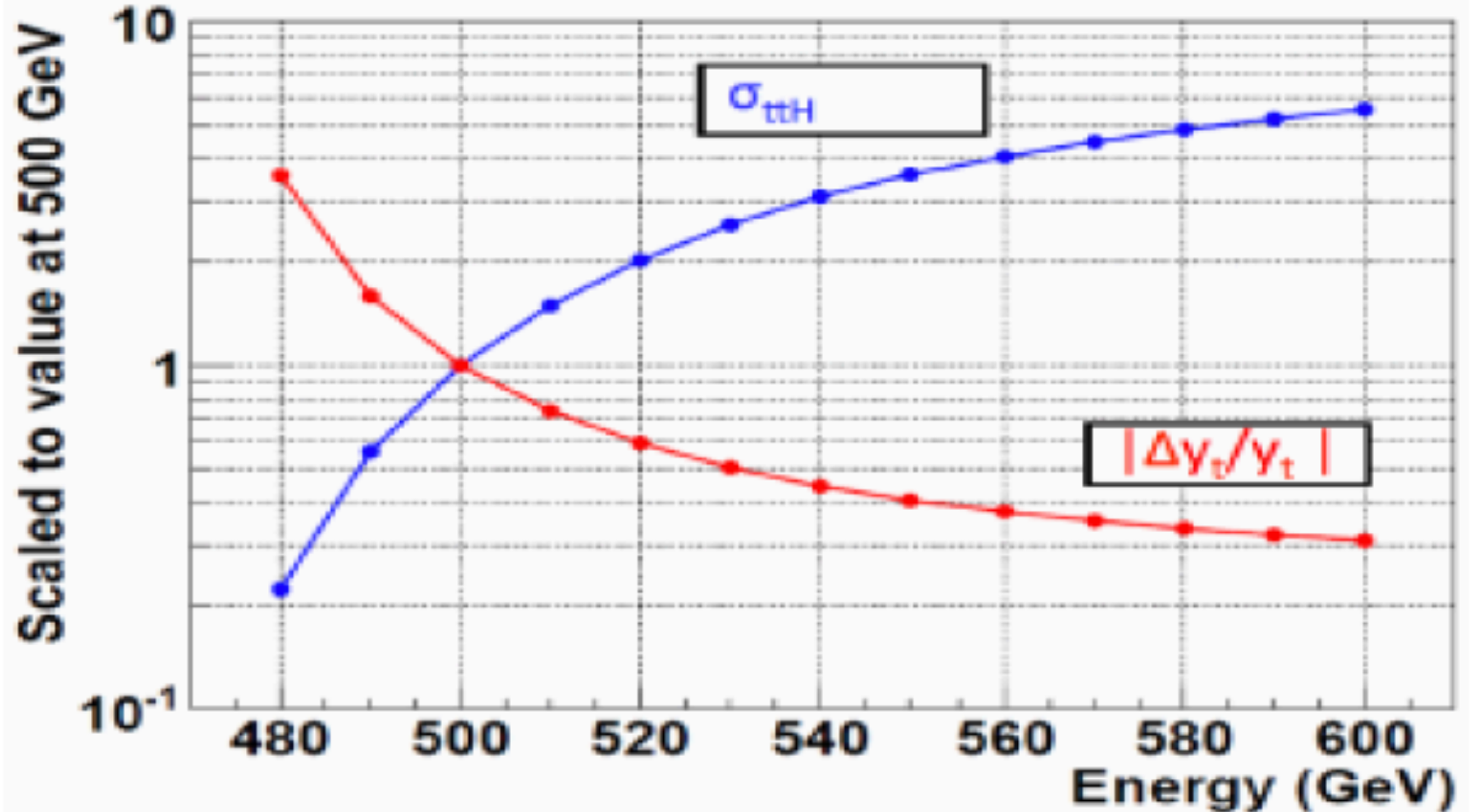


$\Delta g_{Htt} / g_{Htt}$	ILC500	ILC500 LumiUP
500 GeV	18 %	6.3 %
550 GeV	~ 9 %	~ 3 % @4 ab ⁻¹
1 TeV		~ 1 % @ 8 ab ⁻¹

increasing \sqrt{s} by 10%, precision improves by factor two for same integrated luminosity

- Numbers very ambitious
- Used so far: ($\pm 80, -+30$)
- Further improvement with ($+ -80, -+60$):
 - S increases by 24% if from (80,30) to (80,60)
 - S/\sqrt{B} increases by 50%
- *If no P_{e+} : S decreases by about 20%*

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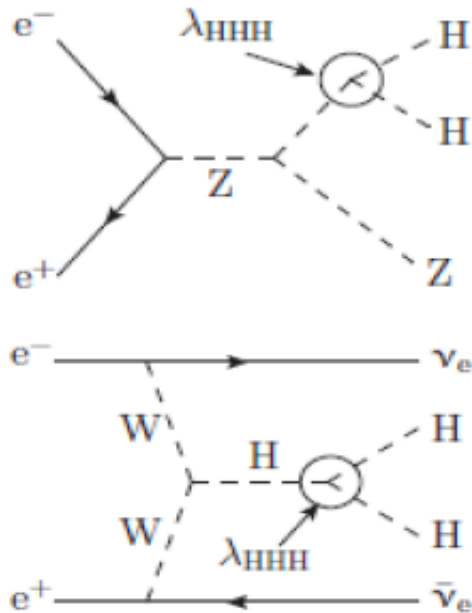
Another hot topic: Trilinear Higgs Couplings

Very important for establishing Higgs mechanism!

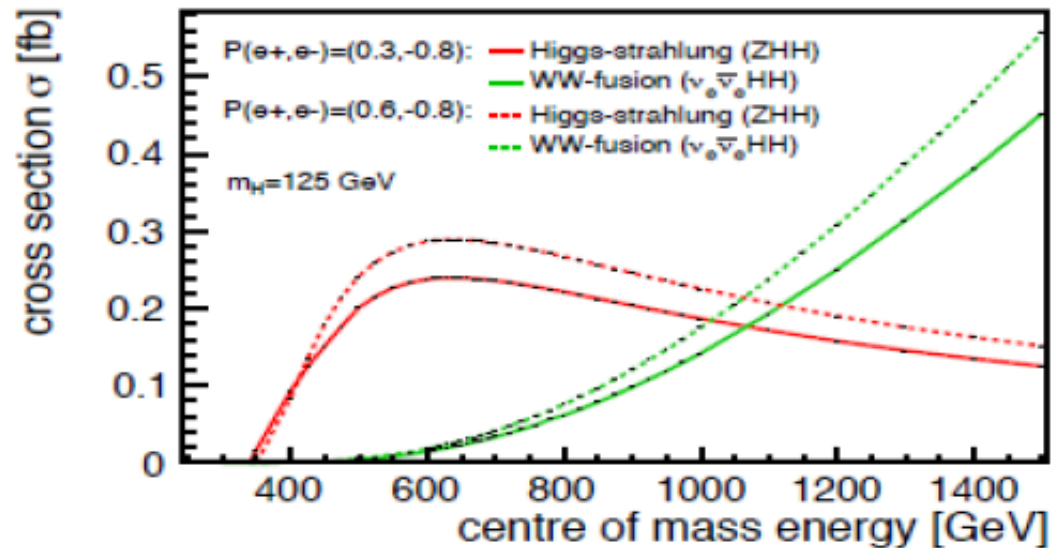
– LHC estimates:

• about $\Delta\lambda_{HHH} \sim 25\%$ at HL-LHC (14 TeV, 3000fb⁻¹)

– At LC: Very challenging (small rates ~ 0.2 fb, lots of dilution+backg.)



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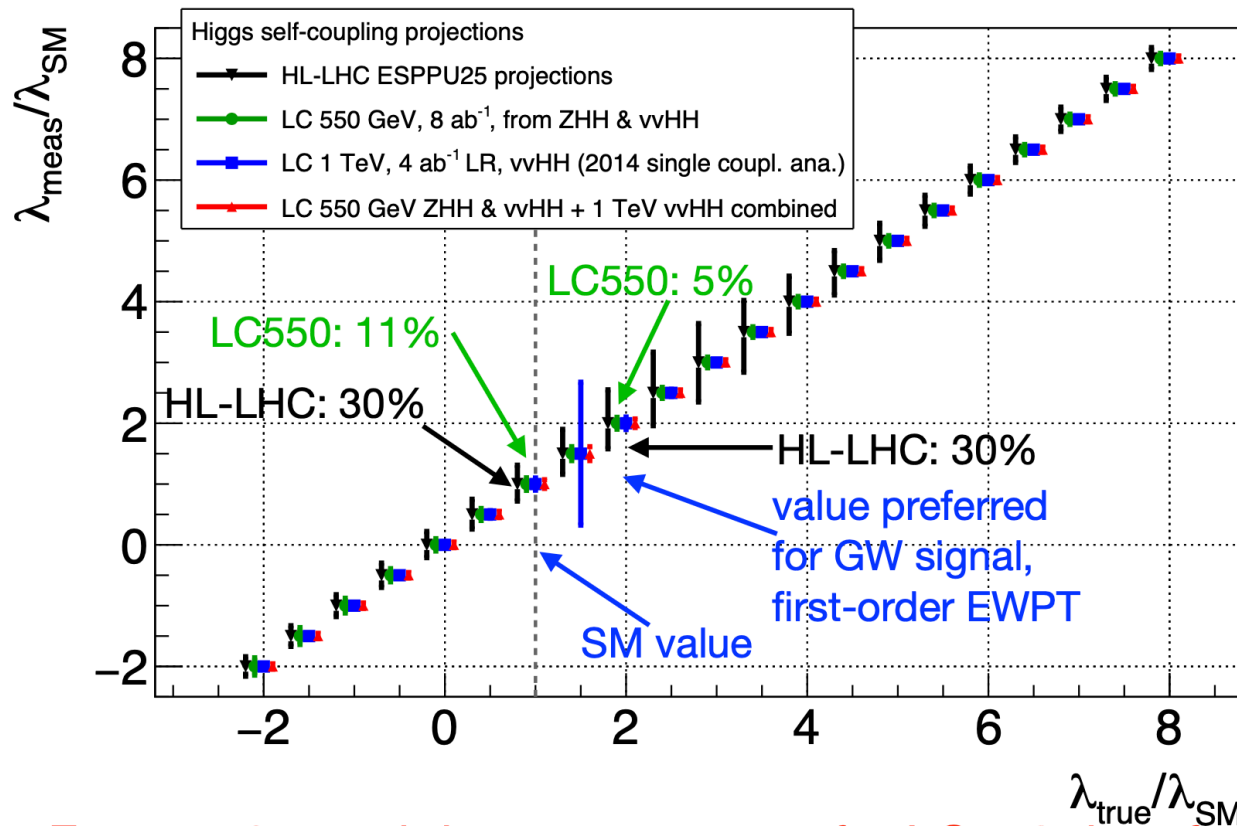


• At cms=550GeV $\Delta\lambda_{HHH} \sim 11\%$ @8ab⁻¹ achievable

In total: about 50% enhancement comp. to $P_{e^+}=0\%$!

Prospects for measuring the trilinear Higgs coupling: HL-LHC vs. ILC (550 GeV, Higgs pair production)

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⇒ For $\kappa_\lambda \approx 2$: much better prospects for LC550 than for HL-LHC

Reason: different interference contributions

Excellent prospects and guaranteed success!

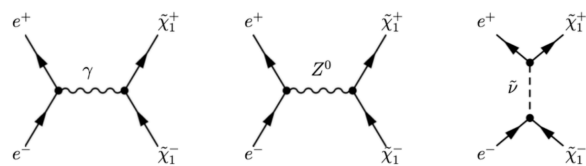
BSM parameter determination: SUSY DM

Let's assume current 'excesses' get reality: test chargino sector

Mixing angles and cross-section are related via

$$\sigma^{\pm}\{ij\} = c_1 \cos^2(2\Phi_L) + c_2 \cos(2\Phi_L) + c_3 \cos^2(2\Phi_R) + c_4 \cos(2\Phi_R) + c_5 \cos(2\Phi_L) \cos(2\Phi_R) + c_6$$

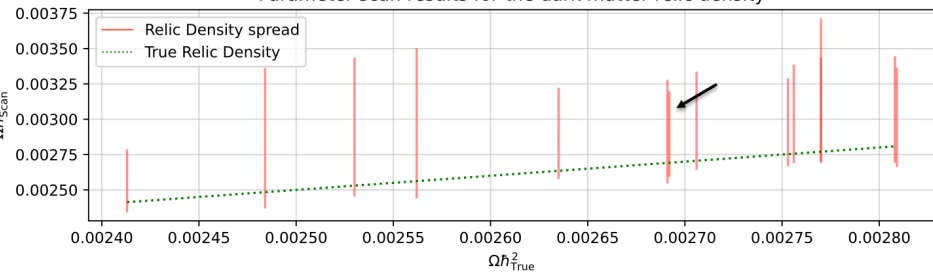
Feynman diagrams:



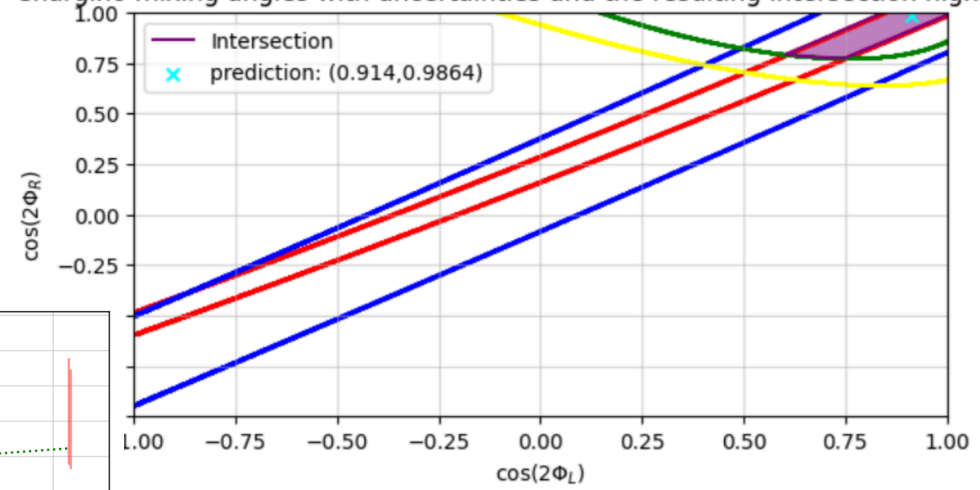
M_1	-238.36 GeV	$\sigma_{-.8,+.6}^{500}$	948.2923 fb
M_2	246.46 GeV	$\sigma_{+.8,-.6}^{500}$	26.6215 fb
μ	632.64 GeV	$\sigma_{-.8,+.6}^{550}$	263.7656 fb
$\tan \beta$	51.97	$\sigma_{+.8,-.6}^{550}$	7.3801 fb
$M_{\tilde{\nu}}$	496.78 GeV	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}$	270.65 GeV

\sqrt{s}	P_{e^-}	P_{e^+}
500 GeV	-0.8	+0.6
500 GeV	+0.8	-0.6
550 GeV	-0.8	+0.6
550 GeV	+0.8	-0.6

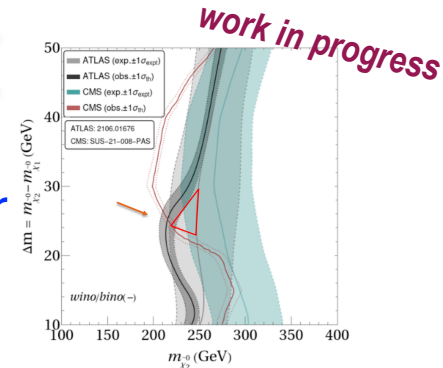
Parameter scan results for the dark matter relic density



Chargino mixing angles with uncertainties and the resulting intersection highlighted



Beam polarization = crucial analysing tool of BSM properties and parameters!



Further Physics Examples

GMP et al, Phys.Rept. 460 (2008)

Case	Effects	Gain
SM:		
top threshold	Improvement of coupling measurement	factor 3
$t\bar{q}$	Limits for FCN top couplings reduced	factor 1.8
CPV in $t\bar{t}$	Azimuthal CP-odd asymmetries give access to S- and T-currents up to 10 TeV	$P_{e^-}^T P_{e^+}^T$ required
W^+W^-	Enhancement of $\frac{S}{B}, \frac{S}{\sqrt{B}}$	up to a factor 2
	TGC: error reduction of $\Delta\kappa_\gamma, \Delta\lambda_\gamma, \Delta\kappa_Z, \Delta\lambda_Z$	factor 1.8
	Specific TGC $\tilde{h}_+ = \text{Im}(g_1^R + \kappa^R)/\sqrt{2}$	$P_{e^-}^T P_{e^+}^T$ required
CPV in γZ	Anomalous TGC $\gamma\gamma Z, \gamma ZZ$	$P_{e^-}^T P_{e^+}^T$ required
HZ	Separation: $HZ \leftrightarrow H\nu\nu$	factor 4 with RL
	Suppression of $B = W^+\ell^-\nu$	factor 1.7
SUSY:		
$\tilde{e}^+\tilde{e}^-$	Test of quantum numbers L, R and measurement of e^\pm Yukawa couplings	P_{e^+} required
$\tilde{\mu}\tilde{\mu}$	Enhancement of $S/B, B = WW$ $\Rightarrow m_{\tilde{\mu}L,R}$ in the continuum	factor 5-7
$HA, m_A > 500 \text{ GeV}$	Access to difficult parameter space	factor 1.6
$\tilde{\chi}^+\tilde{\chi}^-, \tilde{\chi}^0\tilde{\chi}^0$	Enhancement of $\frac{S}{B}, \frac{S}{\sqrt{B}}$ Separation between SUSY models, 'model-independent' parameter determination	factor 2-3
CPV in $\tilde{\chi}_i^0\tilde{\chi}_j^0$	Direct CP-odd observables	$P_{e^-}^T P_{e^+}^T$ required
RPV in $\tilde{\nu}_\tau \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$	Enhancement of $S/B, S/\sqrt{B}$ Test of spin quantum number	factor 10 with LL

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ED: $G\gamma$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow f\bar{f}$	Enhancement of S/B , $B = \gamma\nu\bar{\nu}$, Distinction between ADD and RS modes factor 3 $P_{e^-}^T P_{e^+}^T$ required
Z': $e^+e^- \rightarrow f\bar{f}$	Measurement of Z' couplings factor 1.5
CI: $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	Model independent bounds P_{e^+} required
Precision measurements of the Standard Model at GigaZ:	
Z-pole	Improvement of $\Delta \sin^2 \theta_W$ factor 5–10
	Constraints on CMSSM space factor 5
CPV in $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	Enhancement of sensitivity factor 3

- Many new physics examples
- Beam polarization provides additional ‘physics gain’ !!!
- Crucial sensitivity to coupling structures
- Relevant for practically all BSM models.....

Conclusions

- Beam polarization e^- and e^+ gives 'added-value' to LCF, ILC, CLIC, HALHF
 - Crucial 'new' analysis tools compared to LHC physics
 - Access to chirality: since $E \gg m$: chirality=helicity='polarization'
- P_{e^+} important at $\sqrt{s}=250,350,550$ GeV (Higgs!) as well as at higher \sqrt{s}
 - Saves running time
 - Essential to control systematics
 - Provides crucial 'add-on' to LHC analyses
 - Important to match precision promises/expectations!
 - Precision allows sensitivity to beyond SM physics
- Exploitation of both longitudinally-&transversely-pol. beams
 - CP-violating pheno, etc.

*e.g. LCC physics group,
1801.02840*

Polarized e^+ and e^- beams included in all LC-designs: LCF, ILC, CLIC, HALHF!

Circular e^+e^- designs: CEPC (Z, 250,350) also tries to get polarization for physics analyses

- Not covered today: polarization to determine properties of new particles directly, as chiral quantum numbers, CP quantities, large extra dimensions etc. as well as dark matter also at 250! (see e.g. Phys. Rept. 460 (2008), hep-ph/0507011)

