

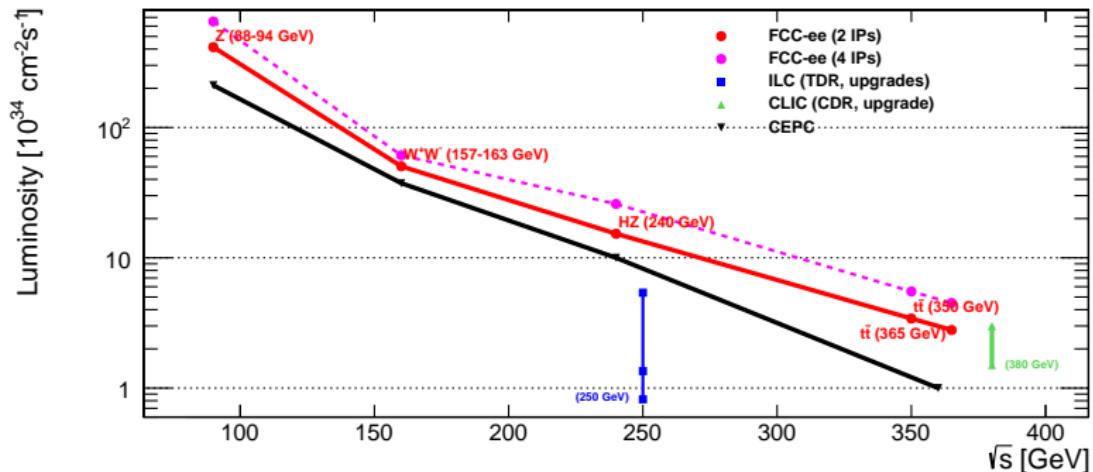
Electroweak precision at future e^+e^- colliders

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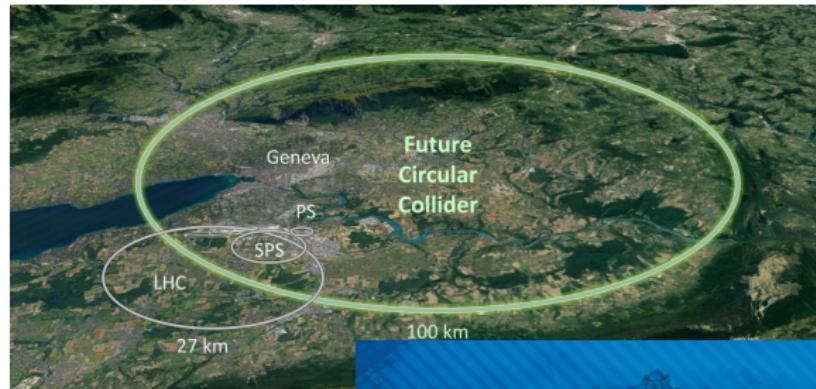
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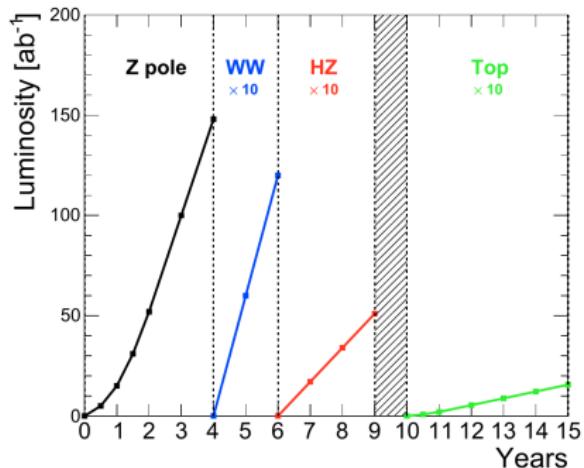
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This talk will mainly focus on precision calculations for future e^+e^- colliders.



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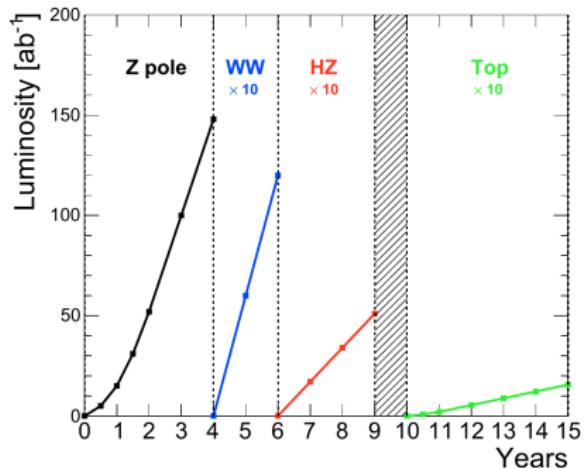
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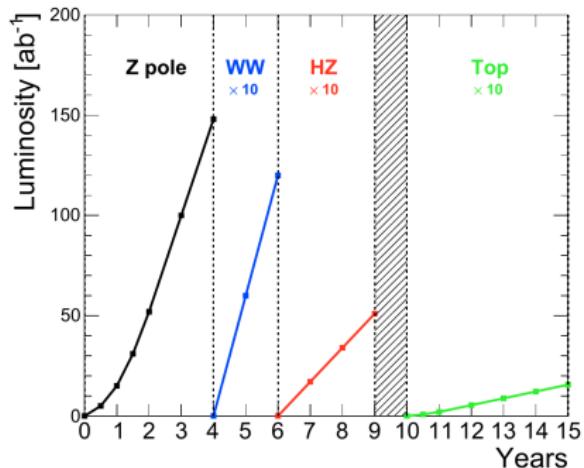
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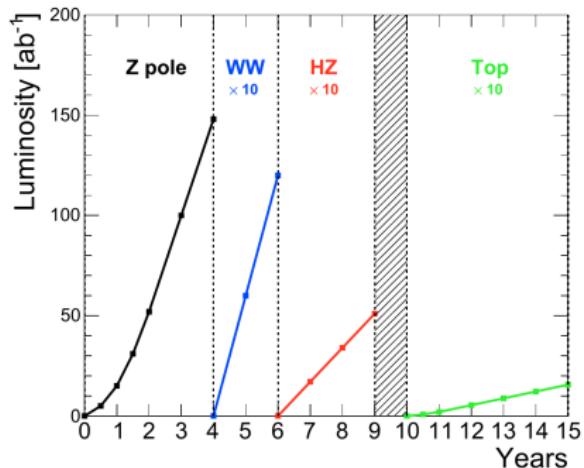
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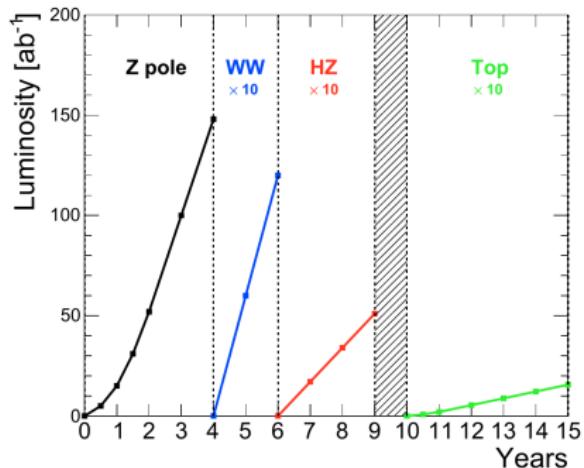
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EW precision observables:

use on- and off-peak data to measure Z lineshape, $A_{\text{FB}}(s)$, R_ℓ , ..., and determine m_Z , Γ_Z , $\sin^2 \theta_W^{\text{eff}}$, $\alpha(m_Z)$, $\alpha_s(m_Z)$, ...

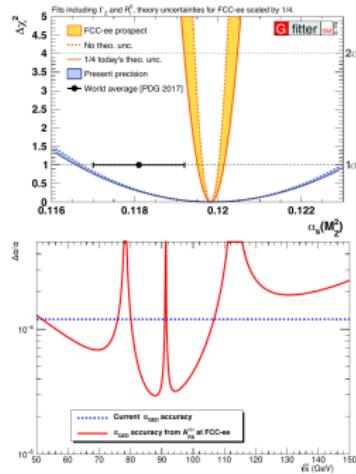
To exploit full data precision theory predictions must keep pace, otherwise parameter extractions are severely theory limited.

- **NNLO EW needed throughout**

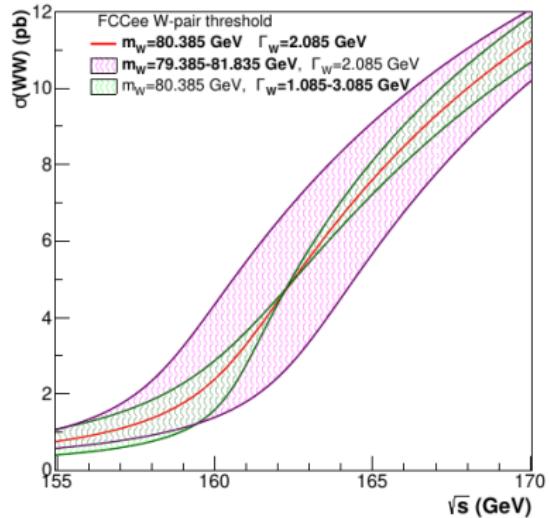
($N^3\text{LO}$ in some places)

including ISR, FSR resummation and initial-final interference (IFI)

- need **highest precision Monte-Carlo event generators** to account for finite fiducial region, bremsstrahlung effects, hadronisation corrections, etc.



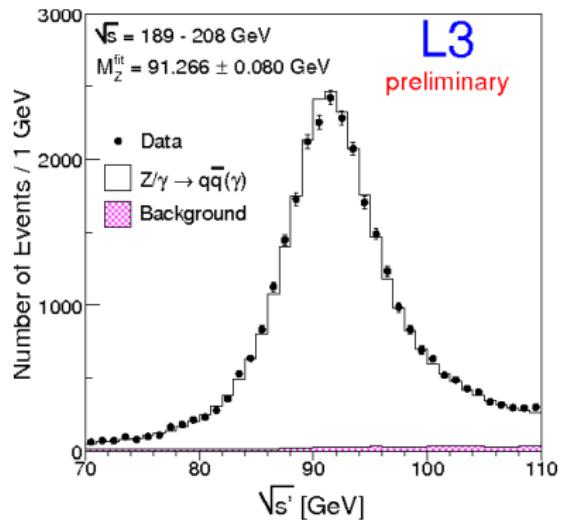
WW threshold



W mass and width determination

- needs precision calculation (NNLO QCD, QCD-EW, EW) and QED threshold resummation
- including implementation in Monte-Carlo event generators to account for finite fiducial region, colour reconnection, hadronisation, etc.
- highest precision calculations still from LEP (YFSWW and RACOONWW)
- $\Delta m_W \approx 0.7 \text{ MeV}$,
 $\Delta \Gamma_W \approx 1.5 \text{ MeV}$

Radiative return



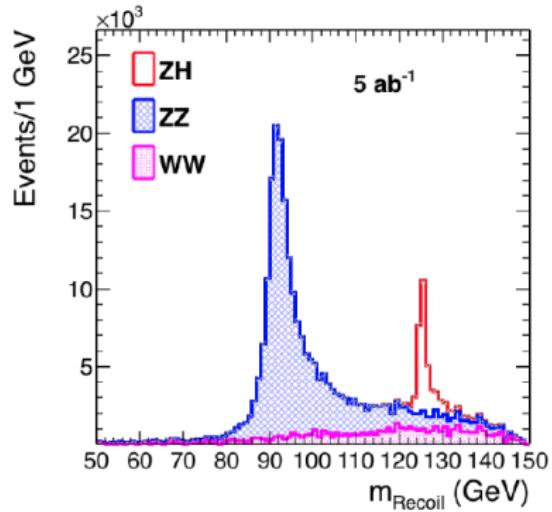
Mainly relevant to determine the invisible Z decay width through $R_{\mu}^{\text{inv.}} = (\text{inv.} + \gamma)/(\mu^+ \mu^- + \gamma)$.

$R_{\mu}^{\text{inv.}}(s) \neq R_{\mu}^{\text{inv.}}(3\nu, \text{SM})$ can hint at DM candidates.

QED/EW corrections strongly dependent on precise experimental selection.

Needs **highest precision** fully exclusive **Monte-Carlo event generator** containing multi-loop higher-order QED and EW effects.

Zh threshold

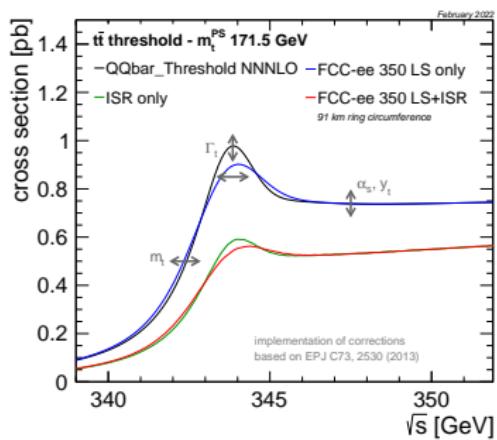


Higgs spectroscopy

- precise mass determination
- direct access to all Higgs decay channels incl. $h \rightarrow gg$ and $h \rightarrow \text{inv.}$
- **precision fit of EFT parameters**

Monte-Carlo event generators with highest precision for both production mechanisms and Higgs decays necessary.

$t\bar{t}$ threshold – mass and width



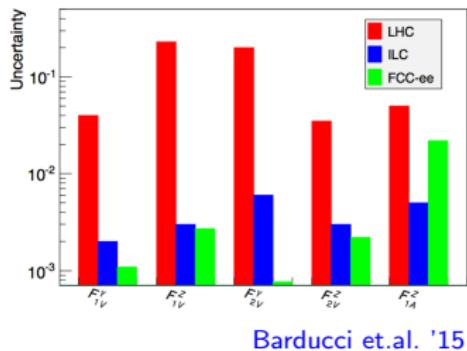
Determination of m_t and Γ_t

- measurement through kinematic reconstruction suffer large systematic uncertainties and ambiguous interpretation
- use shape of production cross section near threshold
→ $\Delta m_{\text{top}} \approx 17 \text{ MeV}$,
 $\Delta \Gamma_{\text{top}} \approx 45 \text{ MeV}$

$t\bar{t}$ threshold – electroweak couplings

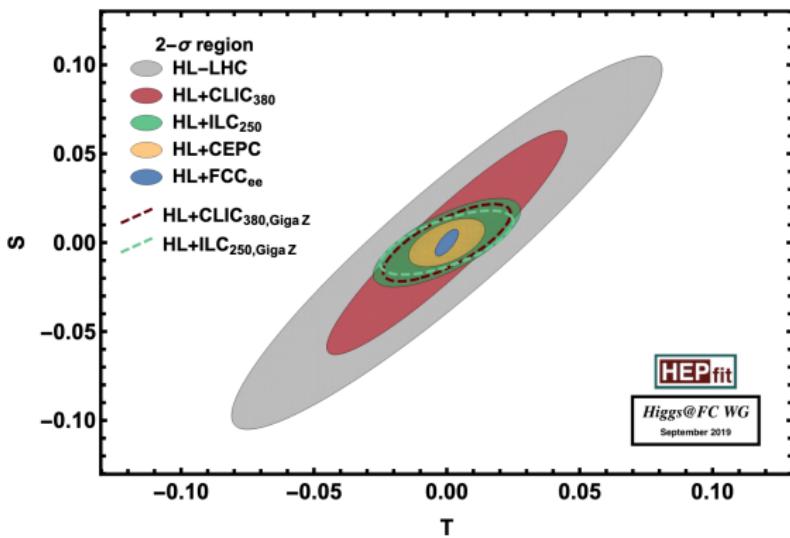
**Determination of top quark electroweak couplings,
 $g_{tt\gamma}$, $g_{t_L t_L Z}$, $g_{t_R t_R Z}$, etc.**

- typically using kinematical information above threshold (spin-correlations of final state leptons)
- needs precision Monte-Carlo event generators (NNLO QCD, QCD-EW) to account for finite fiducial region, top decay kinematics, colour reconnection, hadronisation, etc.
 $\rightarrow \delta g_{t_L t_L Z}, \delta g_{t_R t_R Z} \approx 2\%$



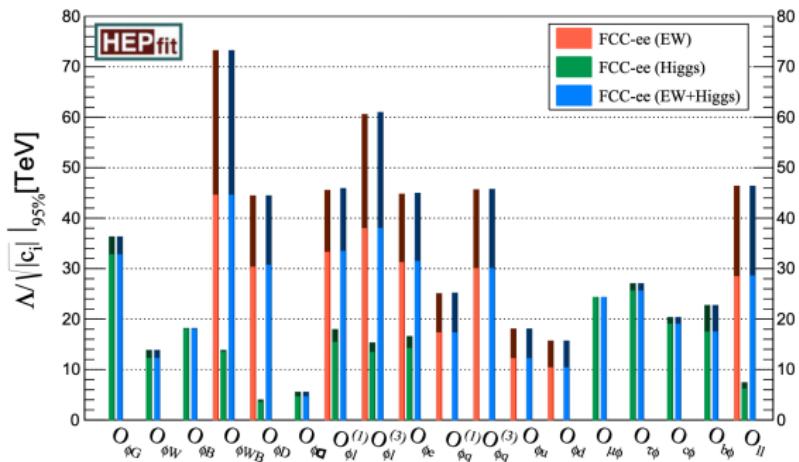
Barducci et.al. '15

EW precision fit



- vast improvements in uncertainties on EW precision data and theory may point towards inconsistencies in the Standard Model

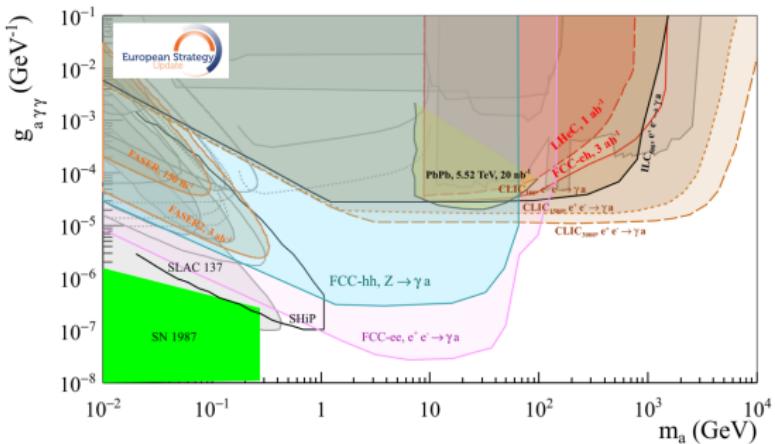
New Physics – EFT interpretation



- extraction from precision data through quantum corrections

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i$$

New Physics – ALPs



- axion-like particles' (ALPs) masses and widths can be constrained mainly through $ee \rightarrow \gamma a$
- large parts of the parameter space (medium mass, small coupling) can be excluded thanks to high statistics of FCC-ee/CEPC
- complementary exclusion of high-mass ALPs for CLIC₃₀₀₀

Precision event generation

Generally, lepton colliders allow for fewer processes/signatures to be studied compared to hadron colliders, but with much higher precision.

FCC-ee/CEPC statistics much larger than any other e^+e^- machine in history, allows for study of very interesting but rare processes

- $\gamma\gamma$ physics
 - γ structure function (pert. and non-pert.)
 - BFKL effects

Need precise **electron structure functions** which are also differential in the photon (and other partons at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$).

Needs precise calculation of Bhabha scattering for luminosity determination at a similar accuracy we have today for $(g-2)_\mu$.

The role of the electron structure function

Although the electron is a point-like object, it has a substructure (QED).

Bertone et.al. '19

Electron PDF

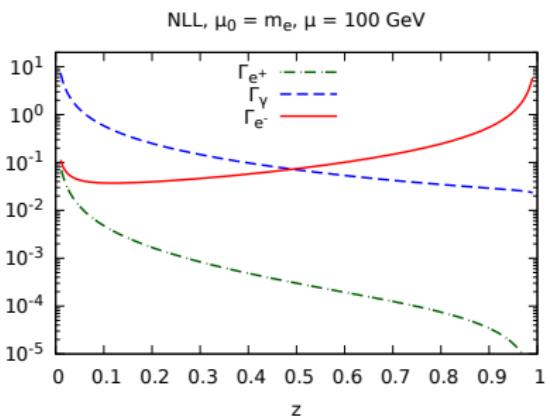
- access to complete partonic content of SM through QED+EW+QCD evolution

$$\mathcal{O}(\alpha) \quad \gamma, W^\pm, Z, (h)$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2) \quad e^\pm, \mu^\pm, \tau^\pm, \nu$$

$$u, d, s, c, b, t$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2 \alpha_s) \ g$$



High luminosities allow to study rare process.

Photon luminosity of particular interest.

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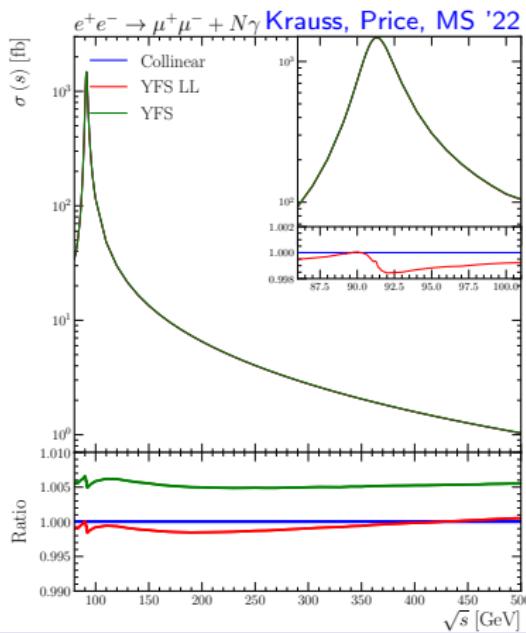
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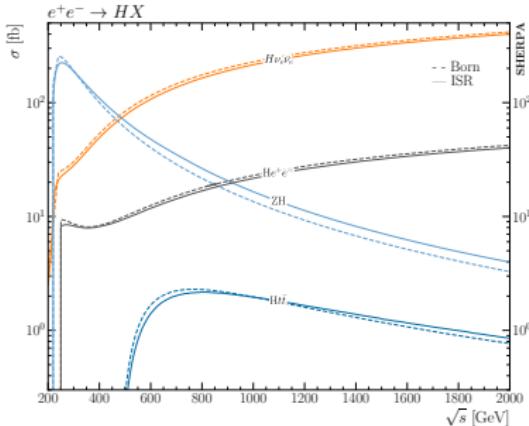


Soft-photon resummation

Krauss, Price, MS '22

Implementation in SHERPA

- YFS resummation in EEX scheme
- can be systematically completed with collinear corrs
- while most appropriate if \sqrt{s} close to resonance, provides precise results over a very large range
- fully differential in photon kinematics
- full NLO EW [to appear](#)

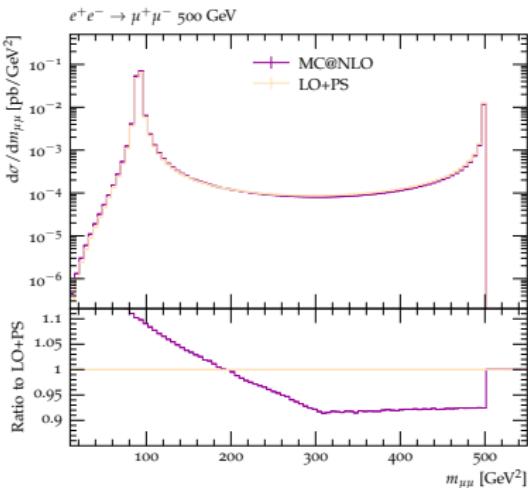


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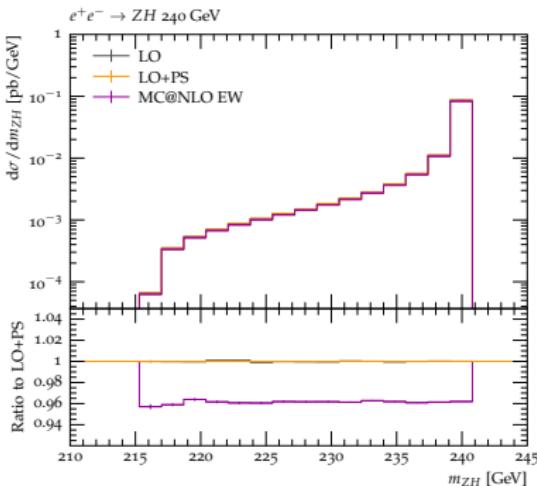


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Electroweak corrections are also essential for precision physics at the LHC.

EW Sudakov logarithms at large momentum transfers.

Originate in the exchange of γ , W , Z , h bosons between legs i and j with large s_{ij} .

Large negative logarithms, KLN theorem is broken by the EW gauge boson masses and the distinguishability of the EW fermion doublets.

Captured in well-understood approximations

→ EW_{sud} approximation

Denner, Pozzorini '01

Bothmann, Napoletano '20

→ EW_{virt} approximation

Kallweit, Lindert, Pozzorini, MS '15

Precise electroweak corrections for the LHC

Inclusive NLO EW corrections are typically much smaller, but essential for precision observables.

Examples: m_W , A_i , $\sin^2 \theta_W$

Particle level calculations essential to account for full experimental environment

Matching of fixed-order calculations to parton showers needed simultaneously for NLO QCD and EW corrections.

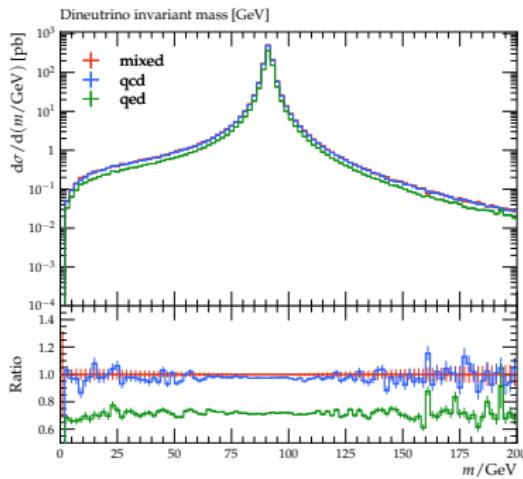
⇒ **Mc@NLO QCD+EW**

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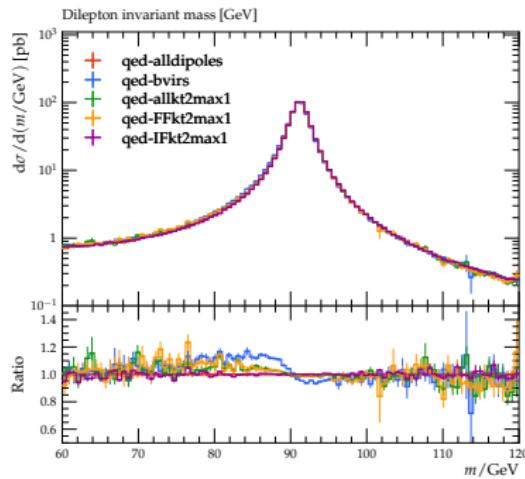
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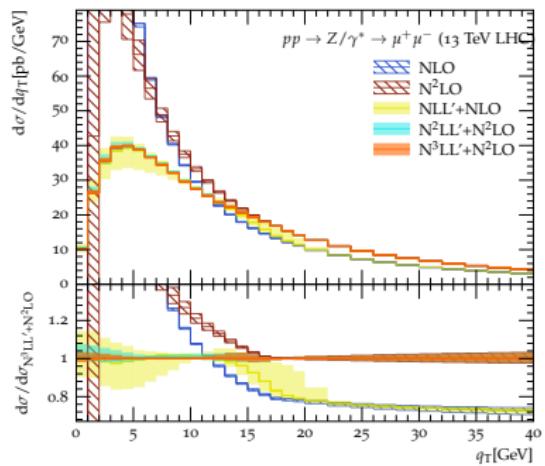
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Ju, MS '21,'22,'23,'24



Analytic resummation of q_T and $\Delta\phi$ in off-shell W and Z prod.

- currently N^3LL+N^2LO QCD accuracy
- NLL QED corrections comparable to N^2LL QCD, but still unknown
- EW corrections relevant for precision observables $m_W, \sin^2 \theta_w, A_i$

→ towards **N^4LL+N^3LO QCD + NLL+NLO EW** for offshell W and Z production

QCD aspects at e^+e^- colliders

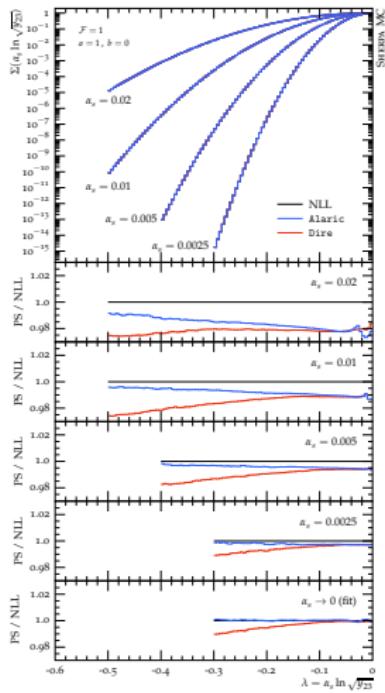
Inclusive QCD production, $ee \rightarrow \text{jets}$

- integrated over individual hadron properties
- event shapes are an excellent testbed for precision QCD calculations (higher orders, analytic resummation, parton showers) → extract α_s

Need a **fully differential higher-order parton shower resummation**, beyond simple K -factor modifications of LO showers.

First step: NLL accurate parton showers.

NLL accurate parton shower – ALARIC



Constructed to cure defects in current showers and be demonstrably NLO accurate.

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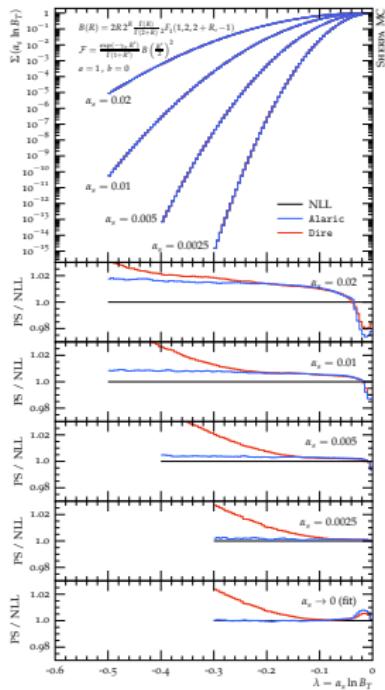
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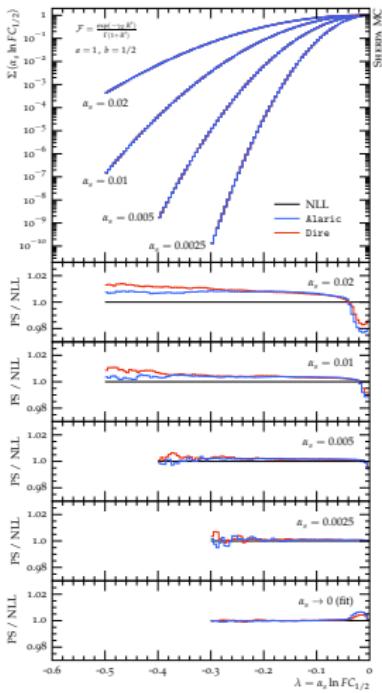
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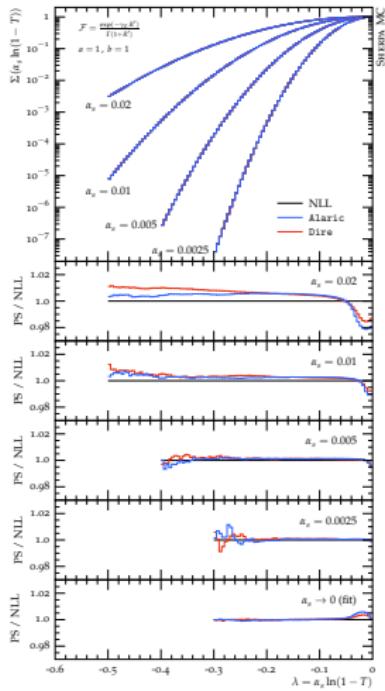
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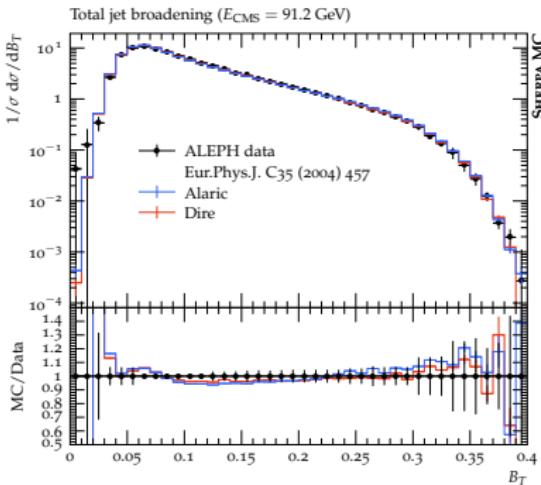
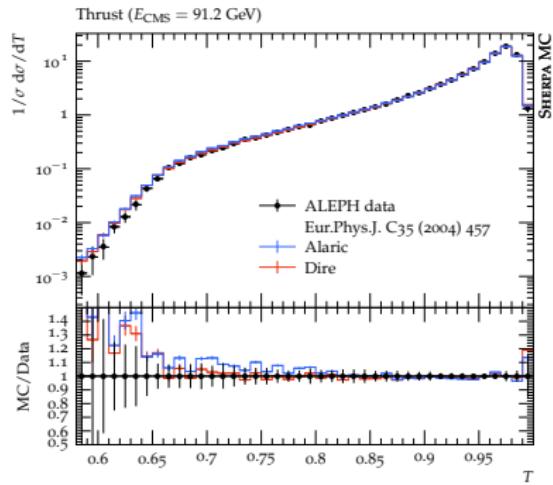
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ALARIC – LEP phenomenology

- apply in realistic LEP scenario
- compare with existing DIRE shower (not NLL)



Conclusions

e^+e^- colliders, FCC-ee and CEPC in particular, offer great physics opportunities, however

- demands high-precision calculation of a number of signatures
- Monte-Carlo event generator development indispensable
 - many new developments on the precision frontier in SHERPA
 - some are already available in SHERPA-3.0.1, some are currently developed for future versions

<http://sherpa.hepforge.org>

Thank you!

Backup