

# Physics Synergies Muon Colliders

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## Science Drivers from the Energy Frontier Executive Summary

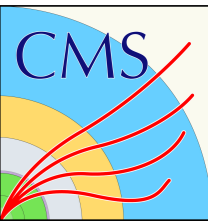
- EF aims at investigating the fundamental physics of the Universe at the highest energies or – equivalently – the shortest timescales after the Big Bang
- We investigate open questions and explore the unknown using various probes to discover and characterize the nature of new physics, through the breadth and multitude of collider physics signatures

**We need to use both energy reach and precision measurements to push beyond the 1 TeV scale in our exploration**

**The quest for new physics will be thus conducted in a two-tier approach: 1) looking for indirect evidence of beyond-the-Standard-Model physics (BSM) through precision measurements of the properties of the Higgs boson and other SM particles**

**2) Searching for direct evidence of BSM physics at the energy frontier, reaching multi-TeV scales**

# The Higgs Boson IS Special!



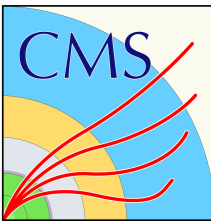
## The discovery of the Higgs in 2012 was an important milestone for HEP

- As far as we know, the Higgs has no spin, no charge, no structure
- It provides an exciting program for precision measurements and searches
- Many of us are still excited about it and others, especially scientists, should be excited about it!

*“A self-interacting Higgs (as SM predicts) would be unlike anything yet seen in nature; all other interactions change particle identity”*

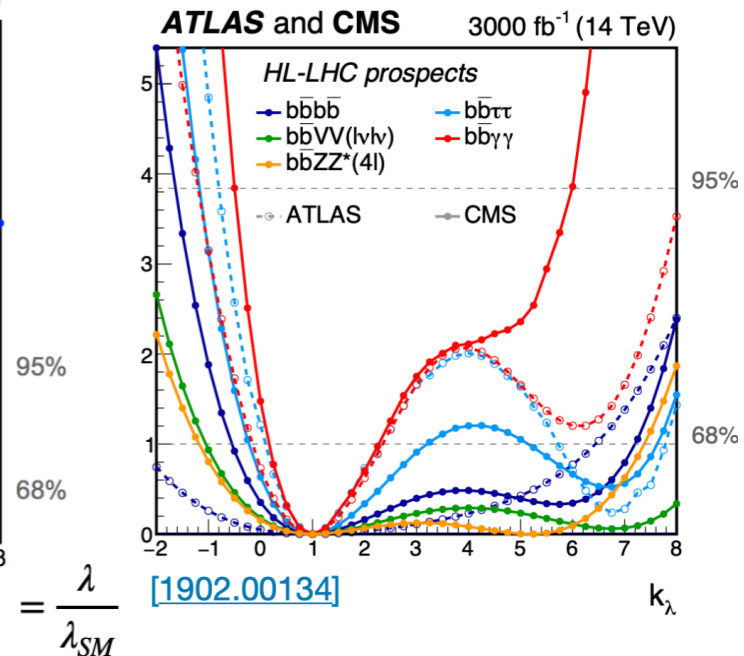
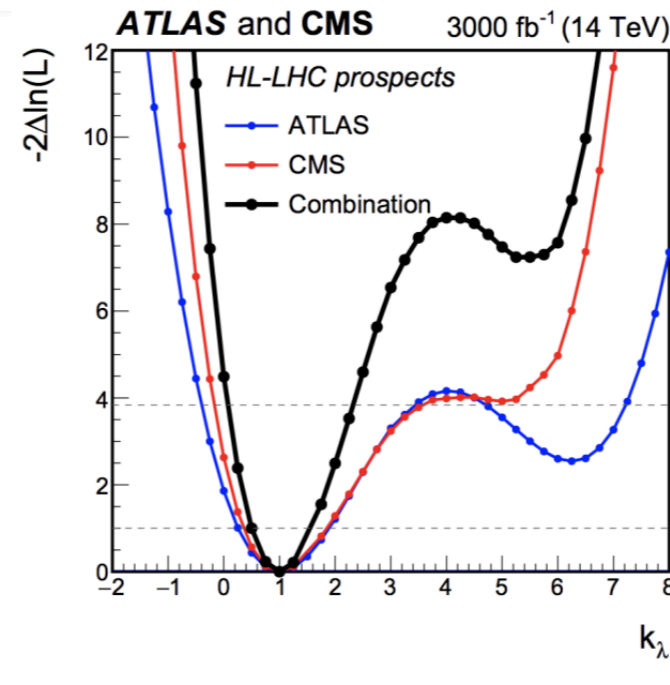
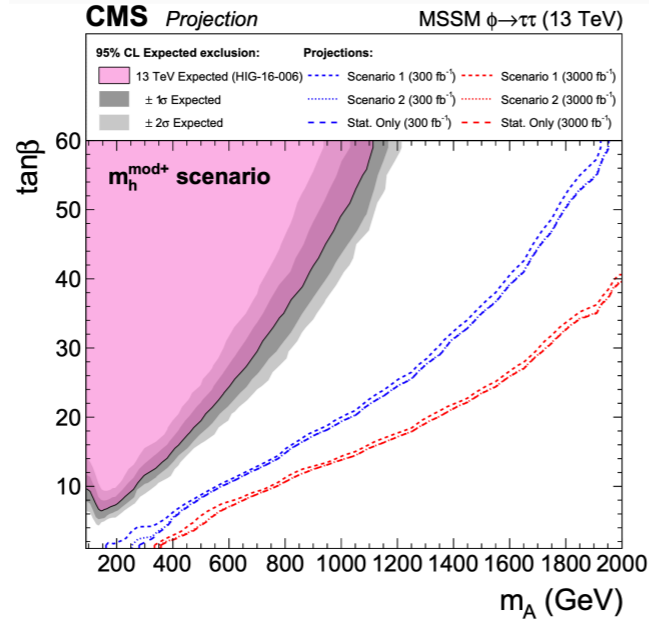
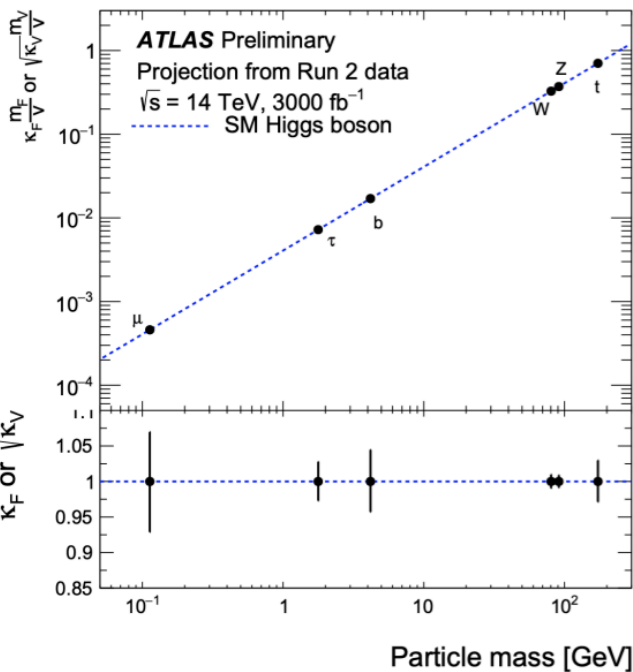
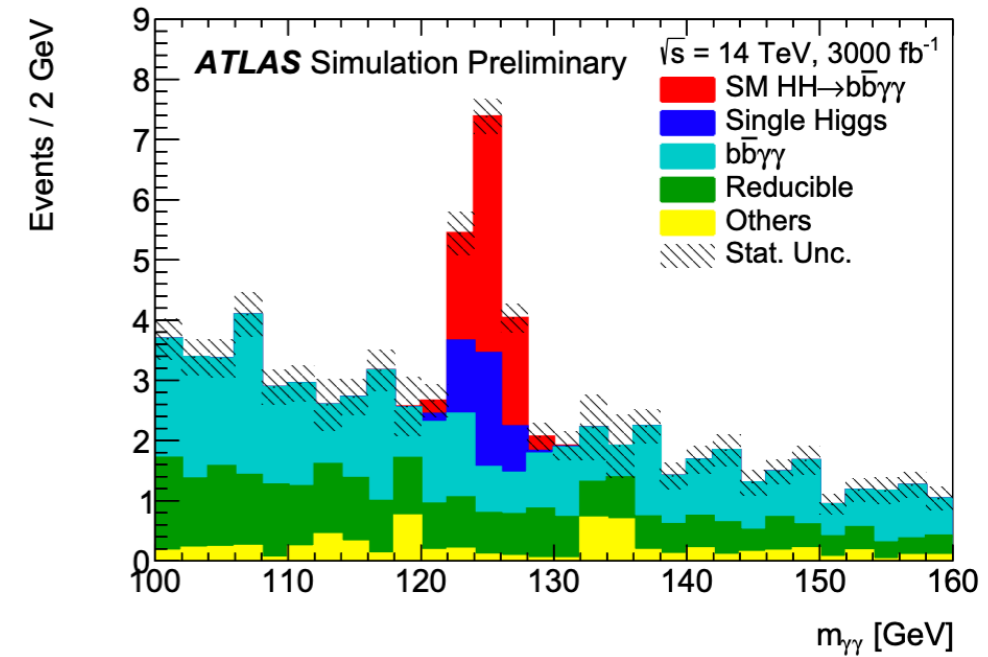


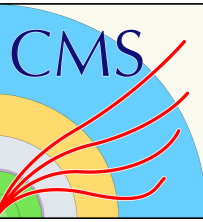
# HL-LHC Benchmark



The HL era of LHC will dramatically expand the physics reach for Higgs physics:

- 2-4% precision for many of the Higgs couplings
- much larger uncertainties on Z and charm and  $\sim 50\%$  on the self-coupling





# Where to look?

## Two holes in understanding the Higgs after the HL-LHC

$$-\mu^2 H^\dagger H + \lambda (H^\dagger H)^2$$

Higgs potential (self-coupling)

$$\lambda_{ij}^u Q_i H \bar{u}_j - \lambda_{ij}^d Q_i H^c \bar{d}_j$$

Light flavor Yukawas

Extended scalar sectors

EW phase transition

Baryogenesis

Hierarchy Problem

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Flavor Puzzle

Strong CP Problem

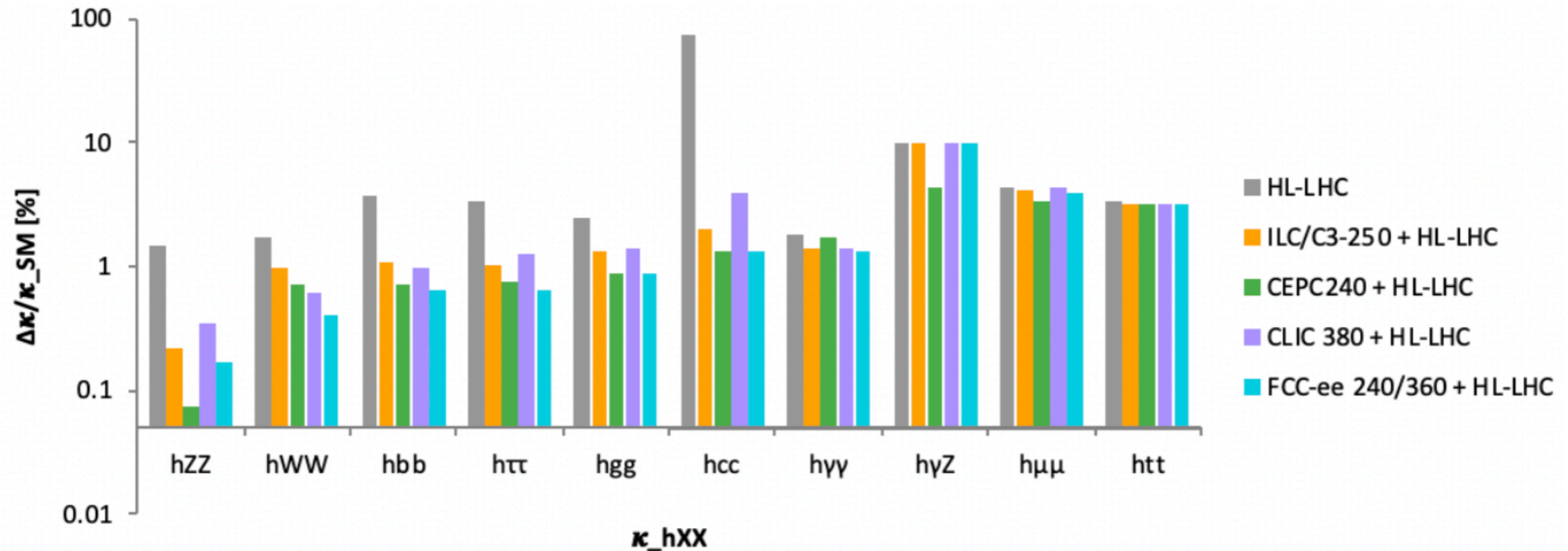
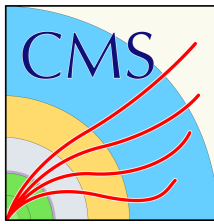
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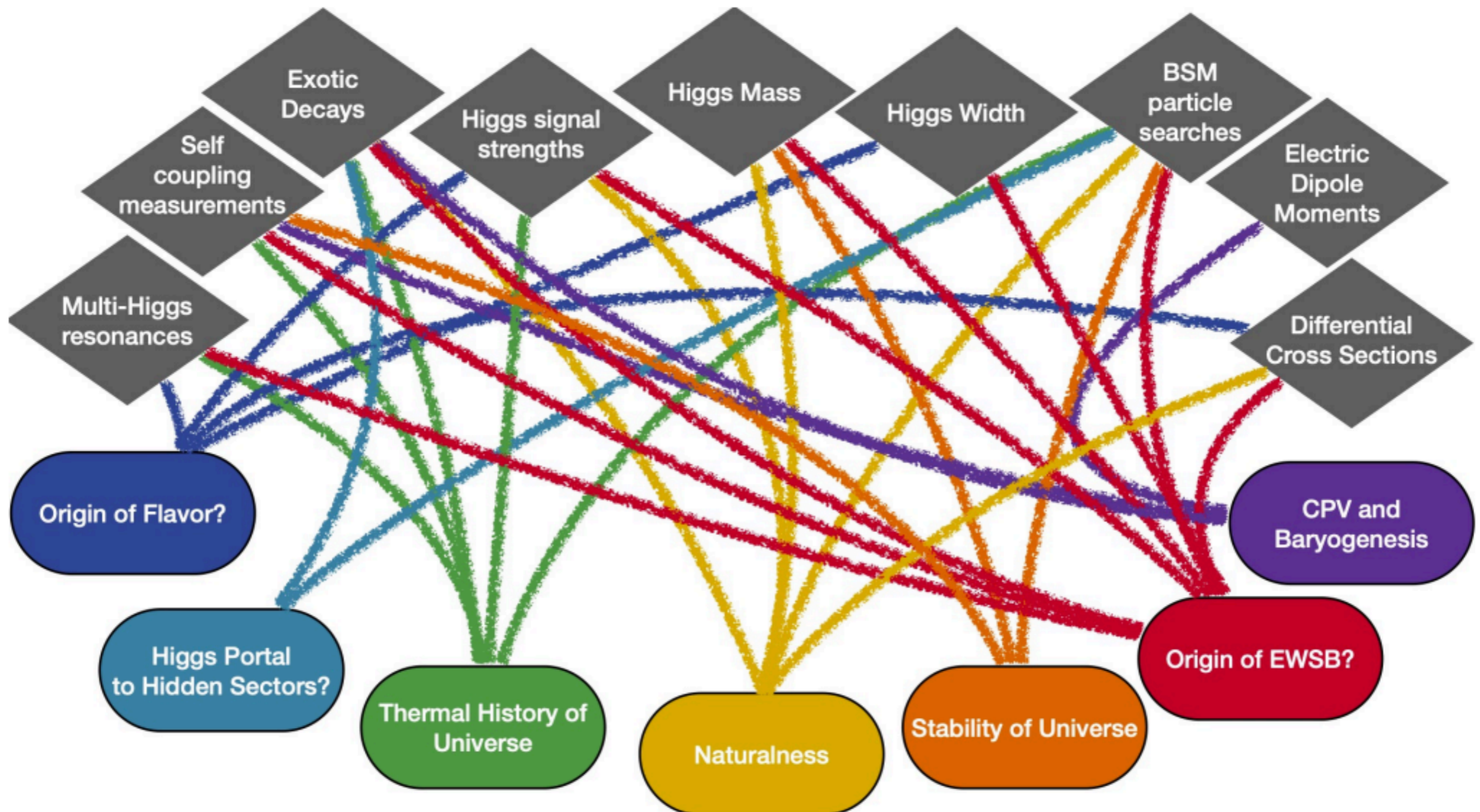
# Status at Higgs Factories (Initial Stage)



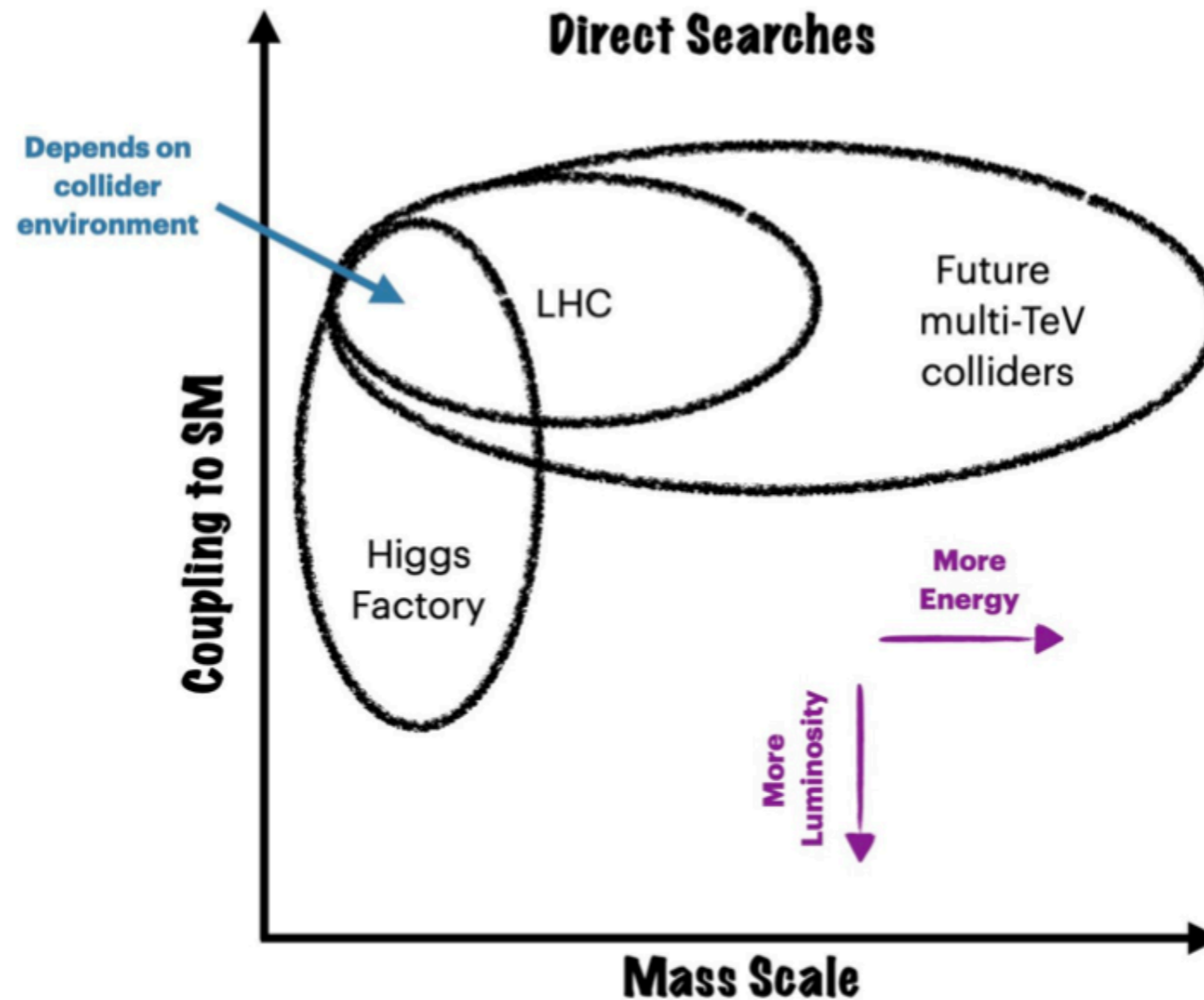
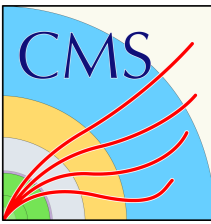
**Figure 1-7.** Projected relative Higgs-coupling measurements in % when combined with HL-LHC results. All values assume no BSM decay modes. In addition, only the following collider stages are shown:  $3 ab^{-1}$  and two interaction points (IPs), ATLAS and CMS, for the HL-LHC at 14 TeV,  $2 ab^{-1}$  and 1 IP at 250 GeV for ILC/C<sup>3</sup>,  $20 ab^{-1}$  and 2 IP at 240 GeV for CEPC,  $1 ab^{-1}$  and 1 IP at 380 GeV for CLIC, and  $5 ab^{-1}$  and 4 IPs at 240 GeV for FCC-ee. Note that the HL-LHC  $\kappa_{hcc}$  projection uses only the CMS detector and is an upper bound [30].

# What do the Couplings tell us?

No need to tell this group how important the Higgs is to HEP...



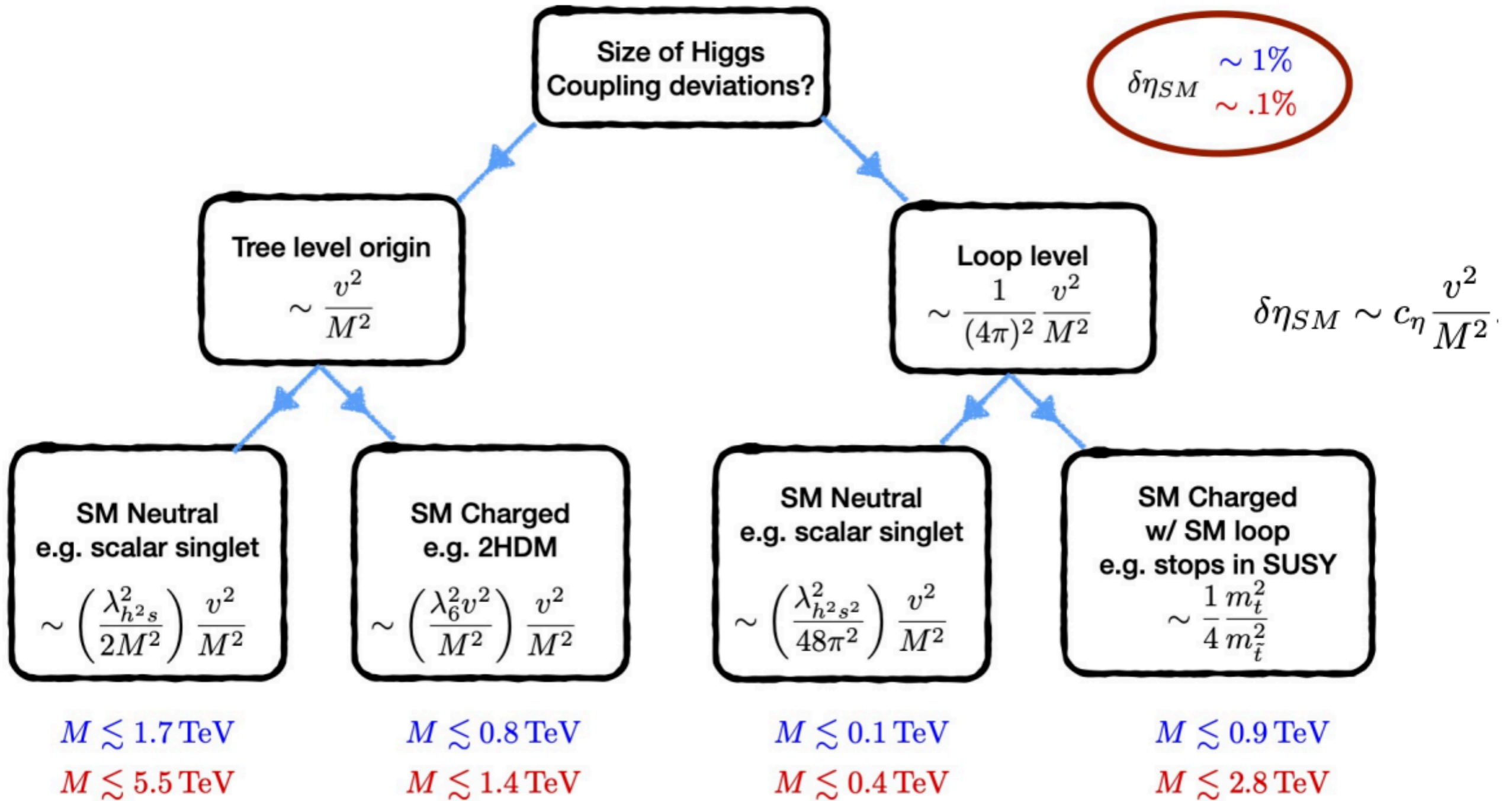
# Where will BSM physics lie?



**Figure 1-2.** The direct coverage of various colliders in the schematic space of coupling to the SM versus mass scale of BSM physics. “Higgs factory” and “multi-TeV colliders” correspond to a generic option among the ones listed in Table 1-1 and Table 1-2 respectively.



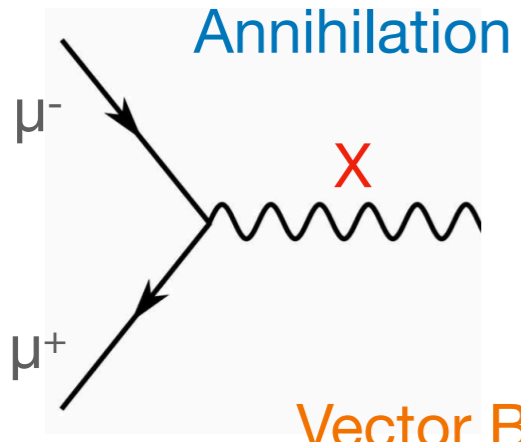
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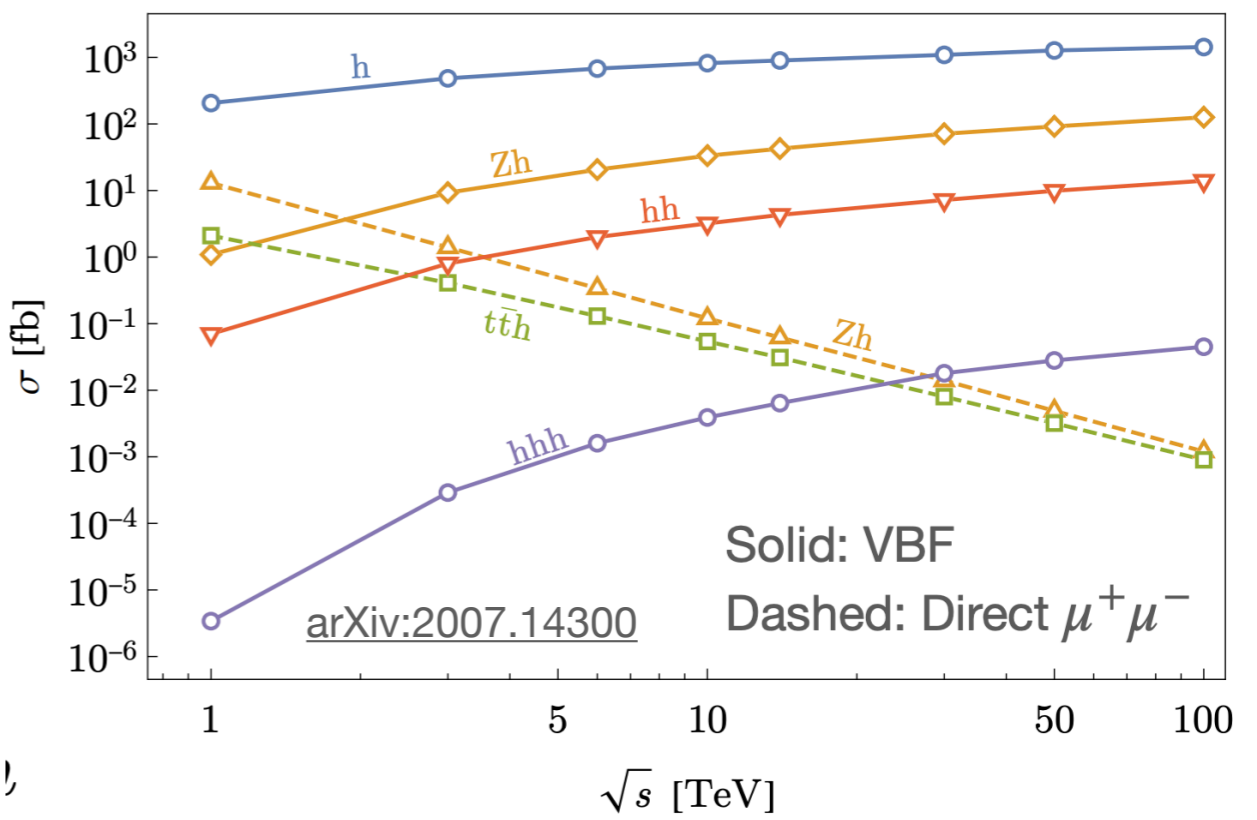
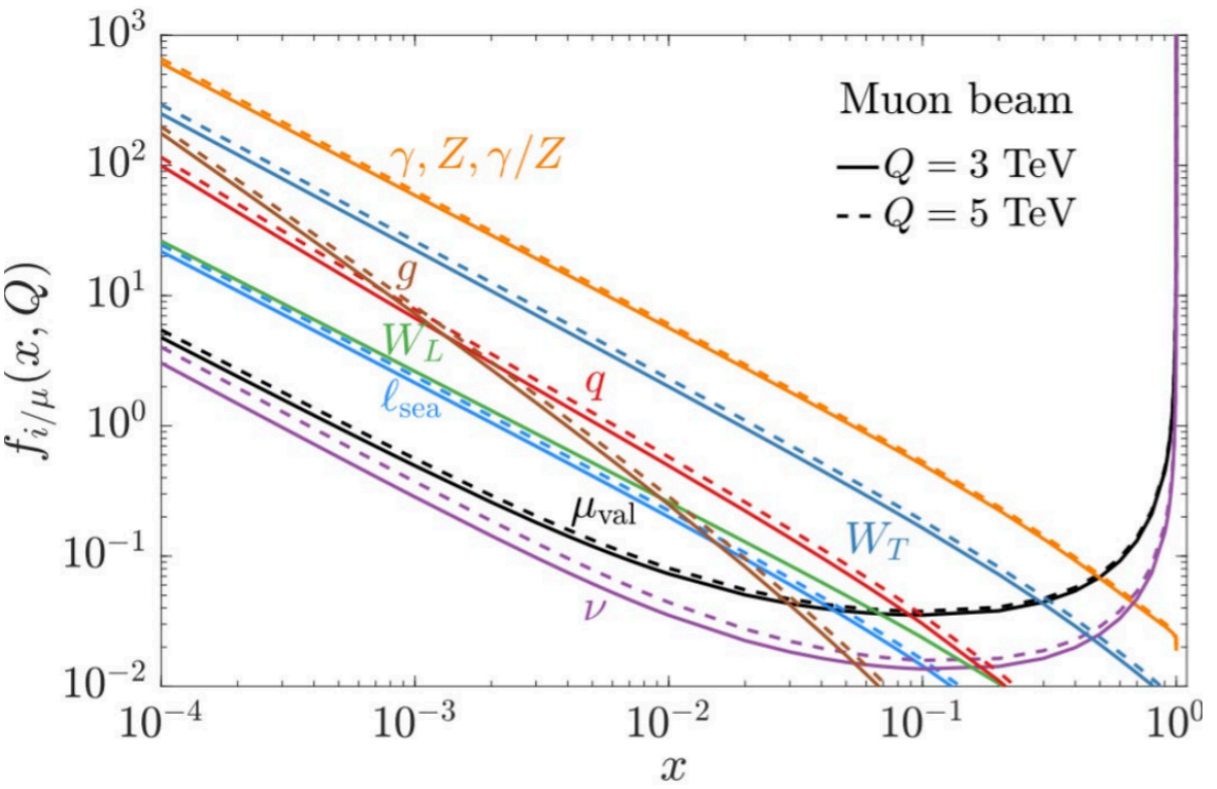
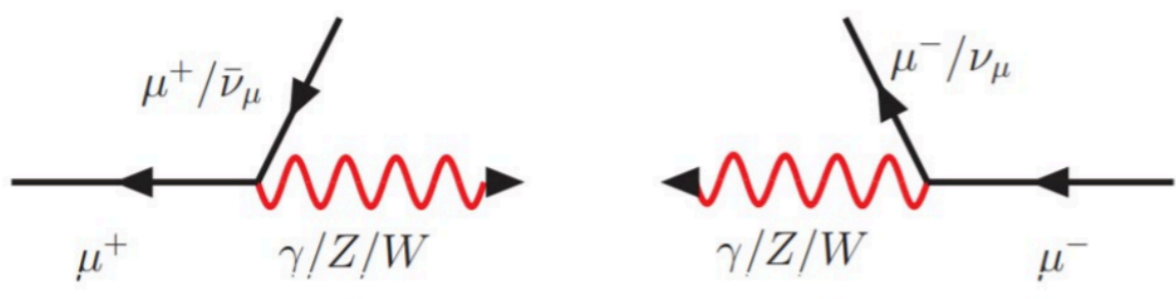
**Conservative Scaling for Upper Limit on Mass Scale Probed by Higgs Precision**

A machine **beyond** a Higgs Factory should try to go **beyond** these Mass Scales

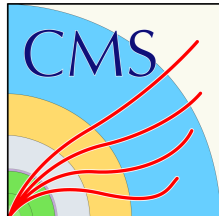
# Why a Muon Collider?



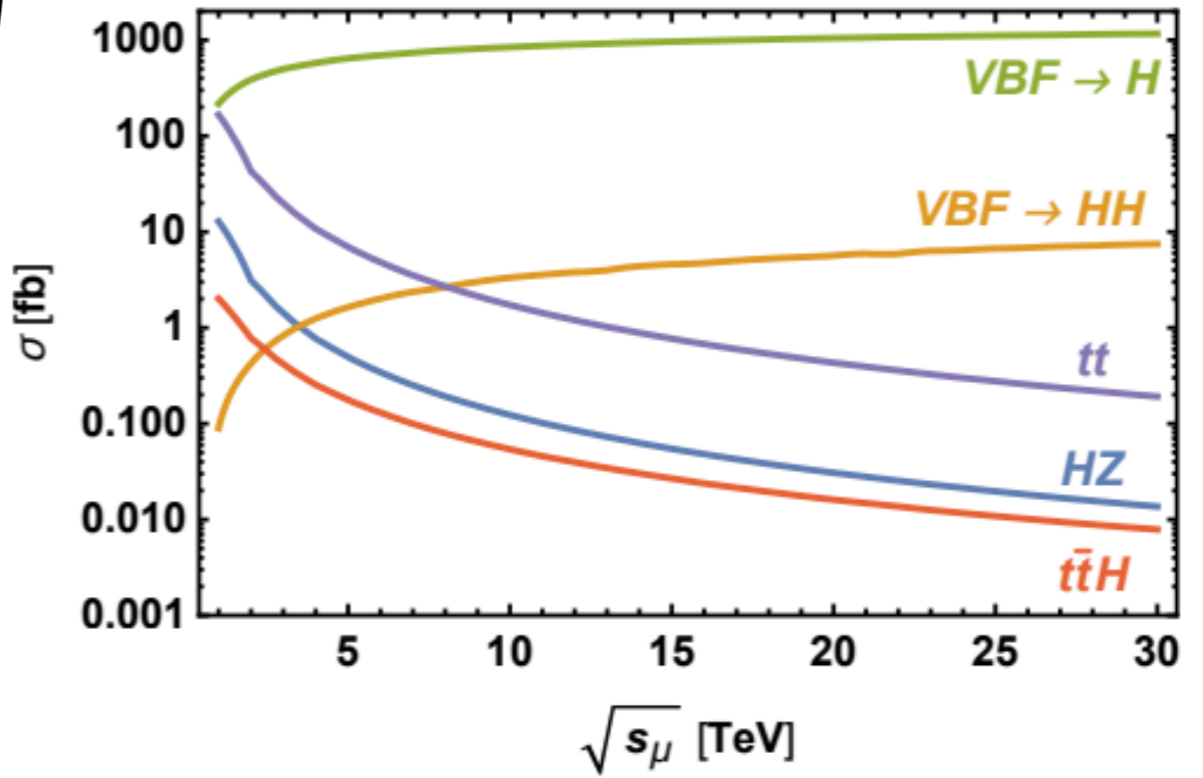
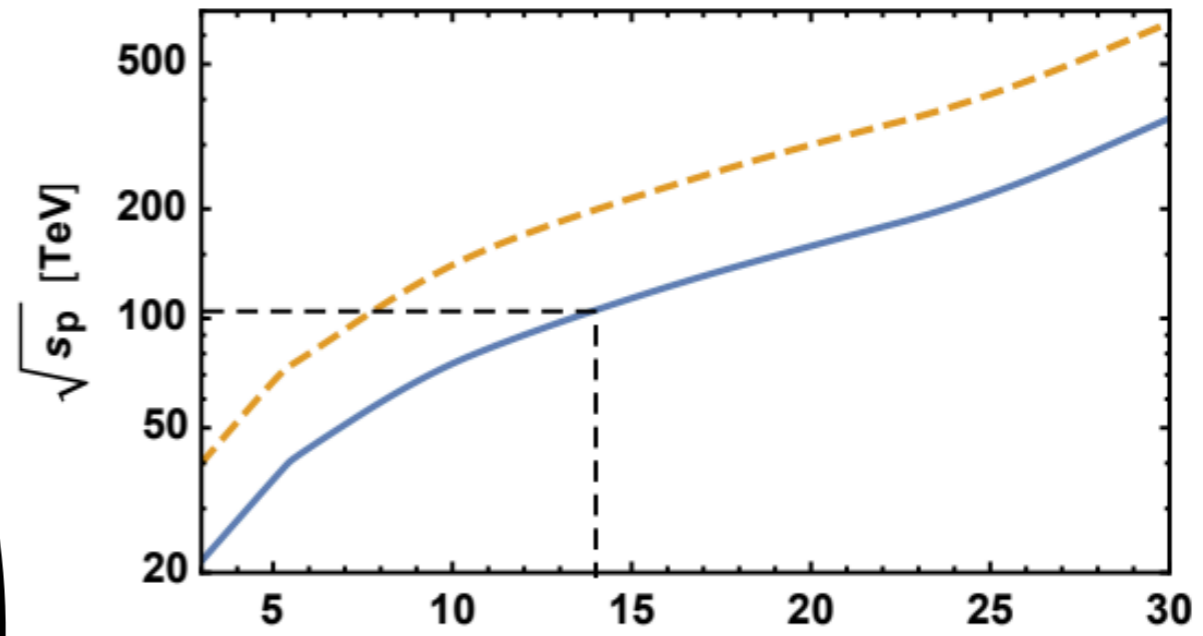
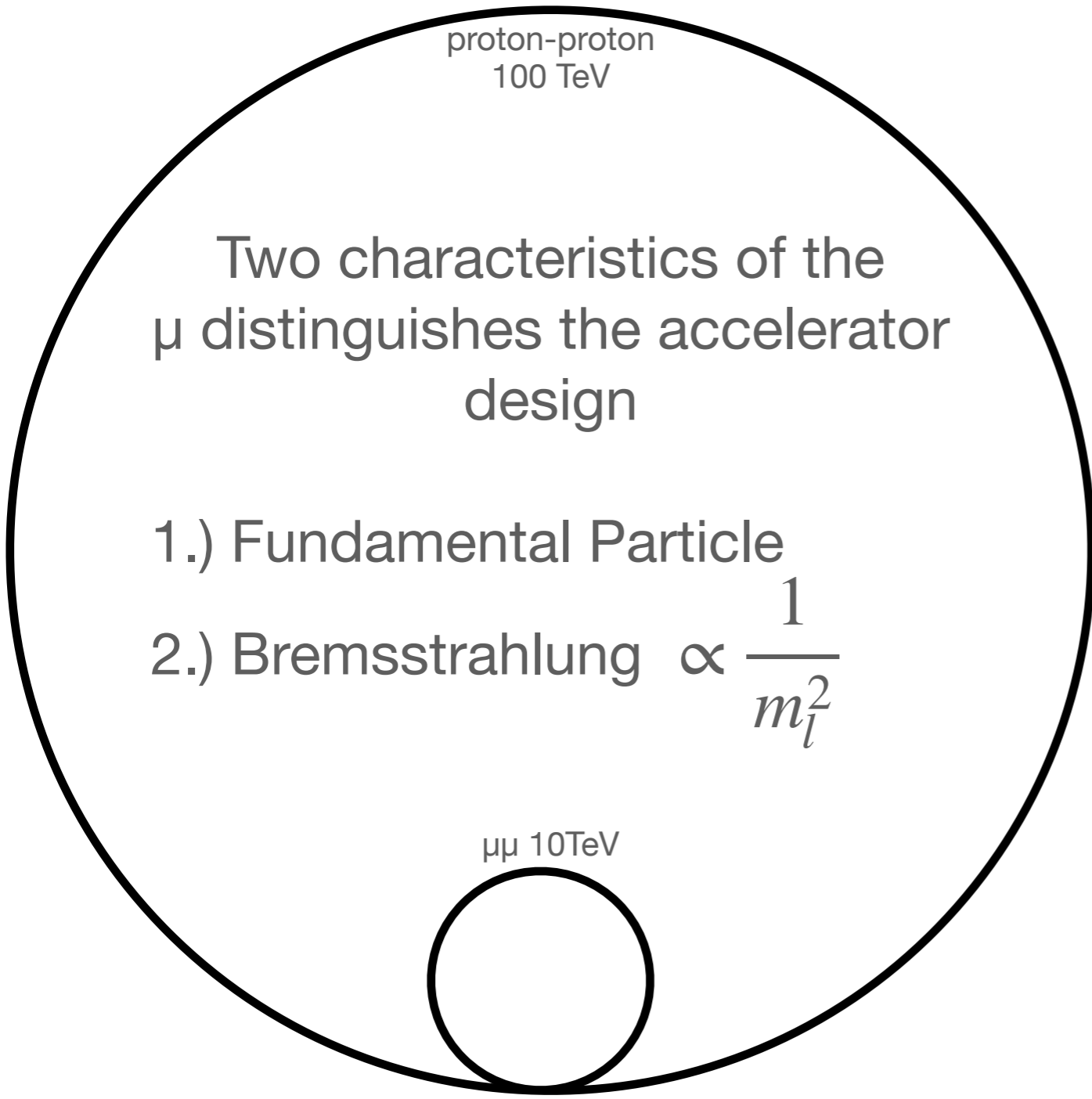
Two main processes:  
**Annihilation**, **Vector Boson Fusion**



# Why a Muon Collider?



Unlike protons, they are fundamental!



# Protons vs. Muons

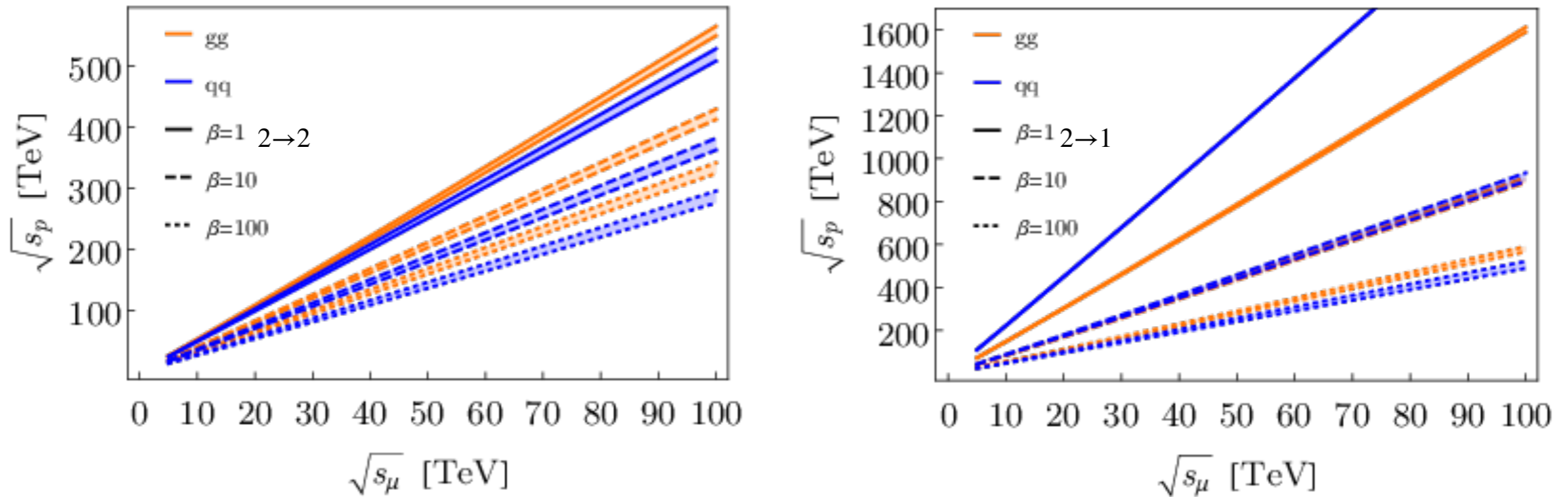


Figure 1: The c.m. energy  $\sqrt{s_p}$  in TeV at a proton-proton collider versus  $\sqrt{s_\mu}$  in TeV at a muon collider, which yield equivalent cross sections. Curves correspond to production via a  $gg$  (orange) or  $q\bar{q}$  (blue) initial state at the proton-proton collider, while production at the muon collider is determined by  $\mu^+\mu^-$ . The partonic cross sections are related by  $\beta \equiv [\hat{\sigma}]_p/[\hat{\sigma}]_\mu$ . The bands correspond to two different choices of proton PDF sets, NNPDF3.0 LO (as in [32]) and CT18NNLO. The left (right) panel is for  $2 \rightarrow 1$  ( $2 \rightarrow 2$ ) scattering.

# Comparing SM Higgs Background

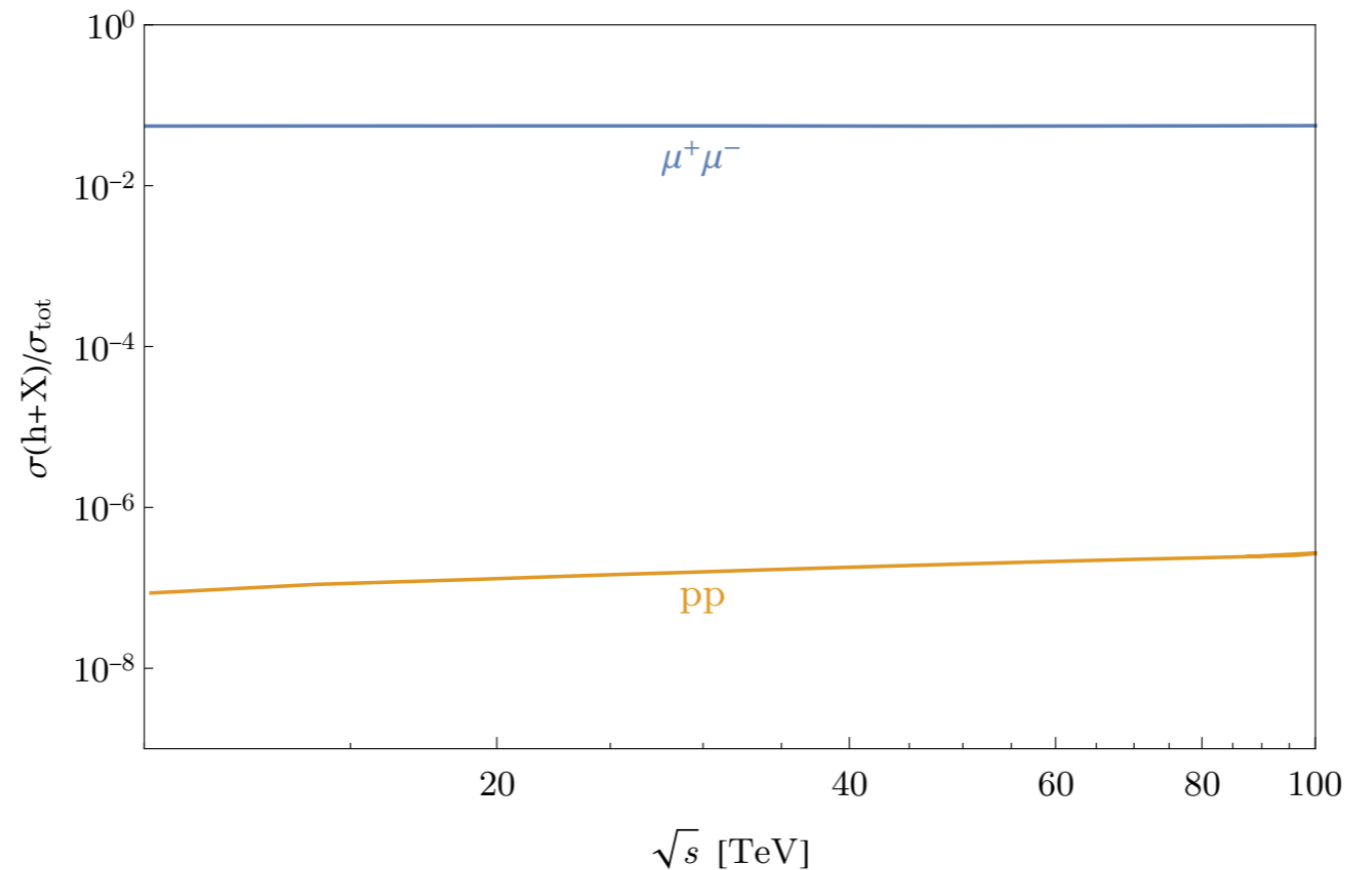
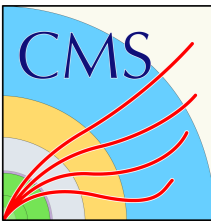
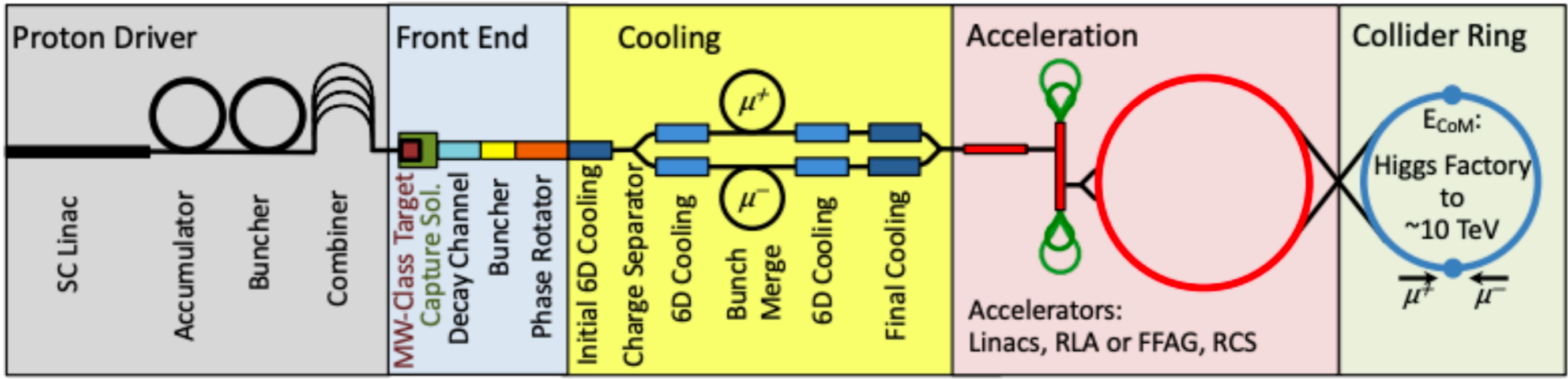
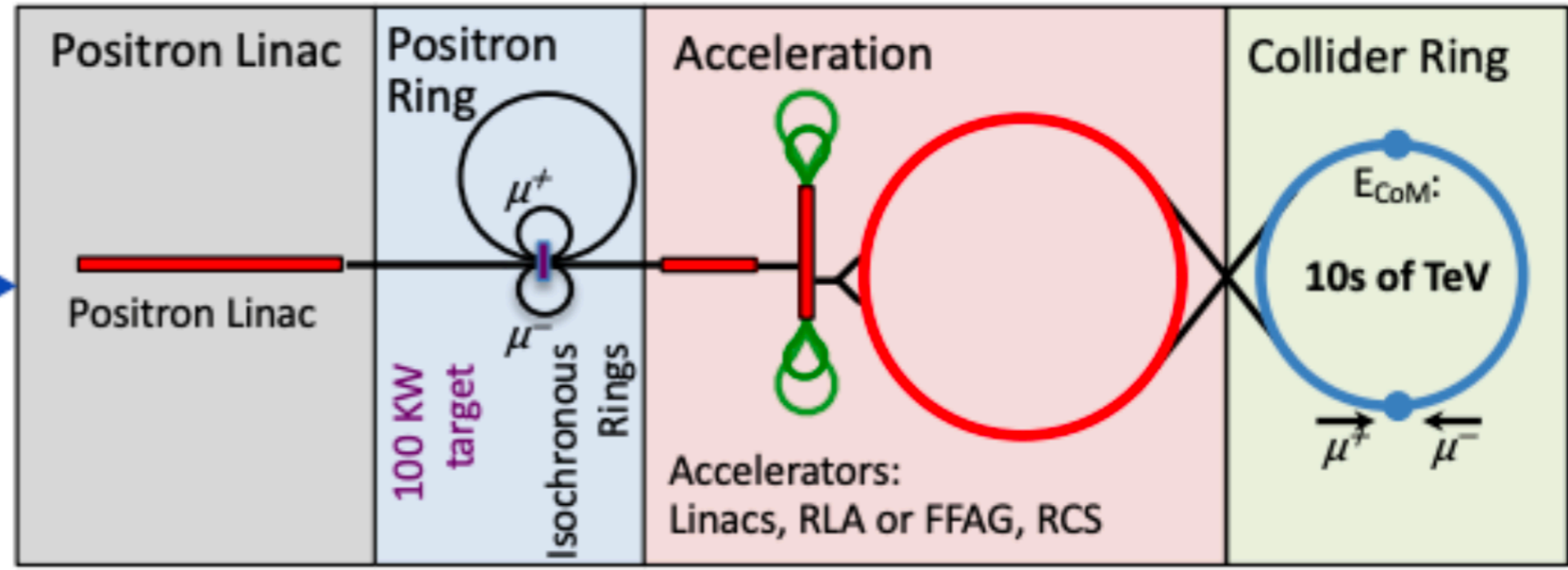


Figure 4: Higgs production cross section  $\sigma(h + X)$  as a fraction of a representative “total” cross section  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$  for  $\mu^+\mu^-$  and  $pp$  colliders. For  $\mu^+\mu^-$  colliders, we compute Higgs production using the LO cross section for  $\mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow h + \nu\bar{\nu}$ , while the “total” cross section  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$  is taken to be the rate for single electroweak boson production, which is dominated by VBF production of  $W, Z, h, \gamma$  at these energies. For  $pp$  colliders we take the Higgs production cross section to be the N3LO cross section for  $gg \rightarrow h$  [50] presented in [51], while the “total” cross section  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$  is taken to be the  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  cross section computed by MCFM [52].

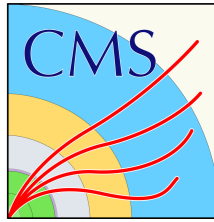
# Muon Collider Concepts



**Low EMittance Muon Accelerator (LEMMA):**  
 $10^{11}$   $\mu$  pairs/sec from  $e^+e^-$  interactions. The small production emittance allows lower overall charge in the collider rings – hence, lower backgrounds in a collider detector and a higher potential CoM energy due to neutrino radiation.



# Muon Collider Luminosity vs. Energy



## Comparing Luminosity in MAP vs. CLIC



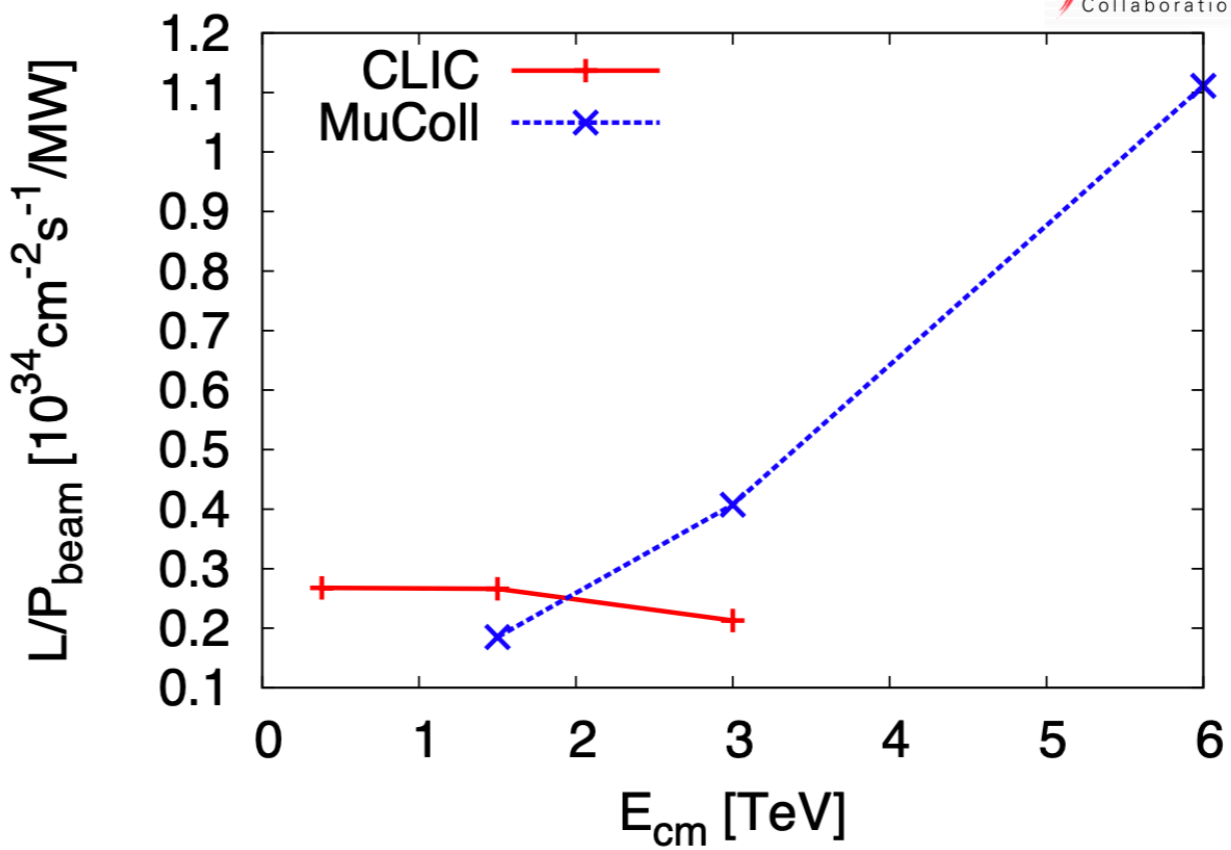
Linear colliders: Luminosity per beam power is independent of collision energy for same technology

CLIC is at the limit of what one can do (decades of R&D)

No obvious way to improve

$$\mathcal{L} \propto \frac{N}{\sqrt{\beta_x \epsilon_x}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta_y \epsilon_y}} P_{beam}$$

Note: normalised emittances used, they do not decrease with energy



Muon collider: Luminosity per beam power can increase with energy

Potential for high energies

$$\mathcal{L} \propto \gamma \langle B \rangle \sigma_\delta \frac{N_0}{\epsilon \epsilon_L} f_r N_0 \gamma$$

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# Beyond Initial Stage

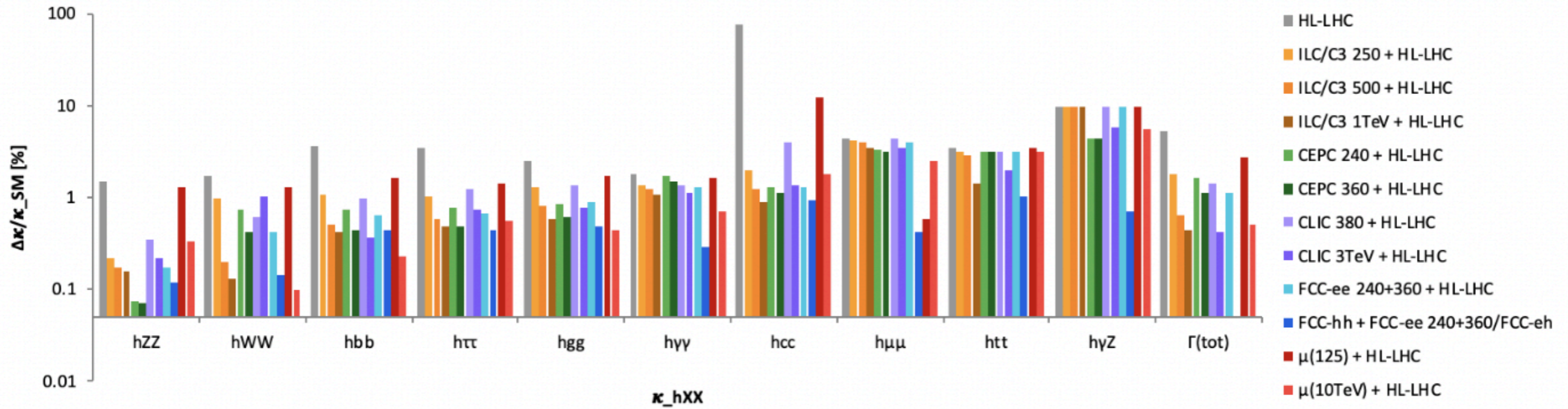
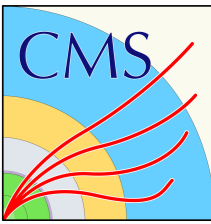


FIG. 20: Relative Higgs coupling measurements in % when combined with HL-LHC results. All values assume no beyond the Standard Model decay modes of the Higgs boson. The energies and luminosities are those defined in Table [IV A](#).



# Muon Collider Detector Concepts

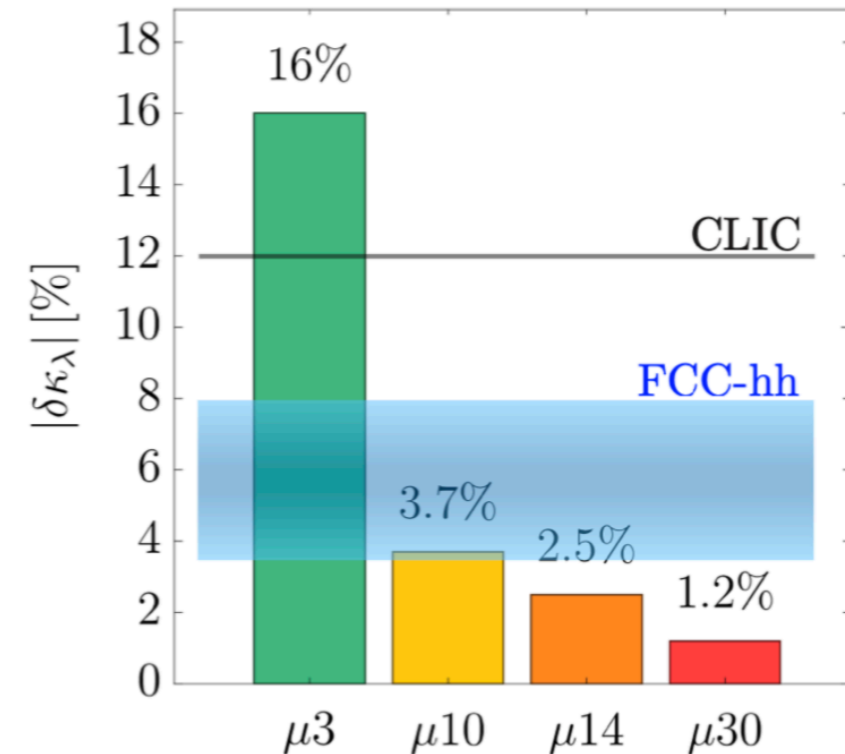


## Higgs coupling sensitivities k-framework

	HL-LHC	HL-LHC +10 TeV	HL-LHC +10 TeV + ee
$\kappa_W$	1.7	0.1	0.1
$\kappa_Z$	1.5	0.4	0.1
$\kappa_g$	2.3	0.7	0.6
$\kappa_\gamma$	1.9	0.8	0.8
$\kappa_c$	-	2.3	1.1
$\kappa_b$	3.6	0.4	0.4
$\kappa_\mu$	4.6	3.4	3.2
$\kappa_\tau$	1.9	0.6	0.4
$\kappa_{Z\gamma}^*$	10	10	10
$\kappa_t^*$	3.3	3.1	3.1

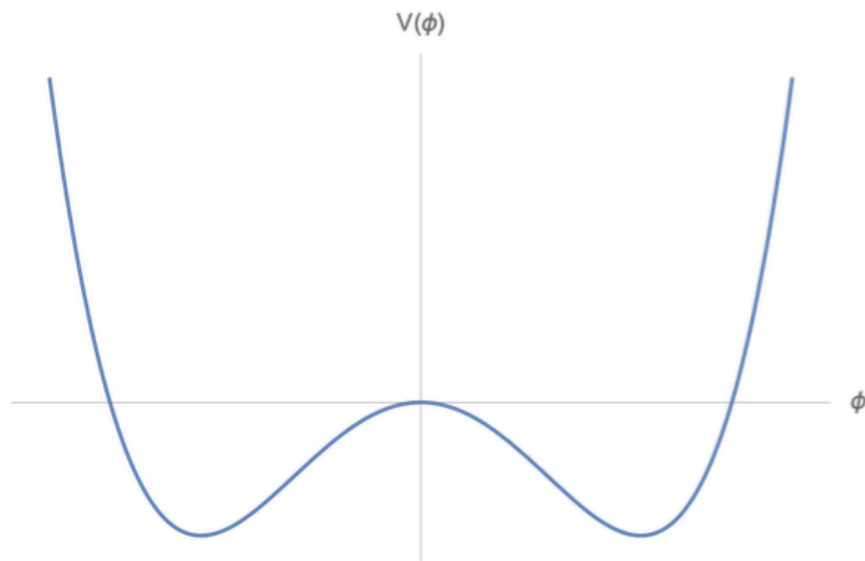
\* No input used for  $\mu$  collider

$1\sigma$  sensitivities (in %) from a 10-parameter fit in the k-framework at a 10 TeV muon collider with  $10 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ , compared with HL-LHC. The effect of measurements from a 250 GeV  $e^+e^-$  Higgs factory is also reported.



High-energy muon colliders open the way to direct measurements of the Higgs trilinear self-coupling,  $\lambda_3$ , and at above 10 TeV, even the potential observation of multi-Higgs production, which is sensitive to the quartic self-coupling. We find that the precision in the determination of  $\lambda_3$  of the 3 TeV muon collider would substantially benefit from an increase in the total luminosity by a factor  $\sim 2$  with respect to the proposed benchmark of  $0.9 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ , suppressing a second mode in the likelihood for  $\lambda_3$  and allowing a determination at the 15% level. Percent level uncertainties will be achieved at the higher energy stages.

# Higgs Potential/Self Coupling

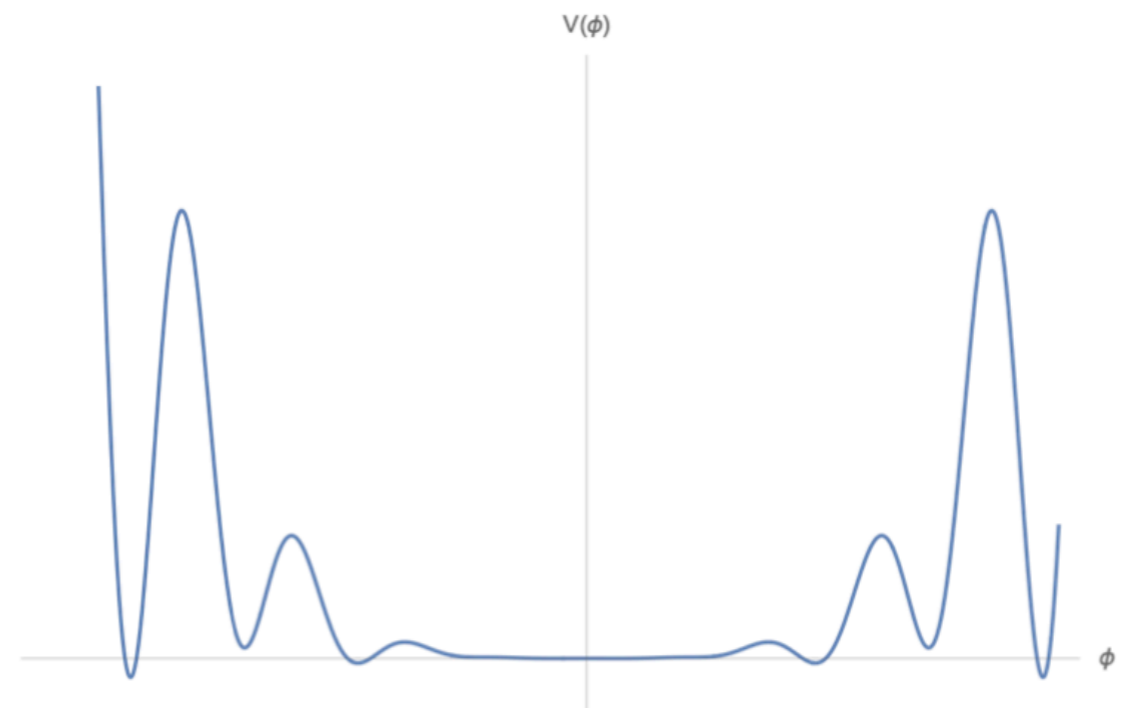


$$V(\phi) = -\frac{\mu^2}{2}\phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4}\phi^4$$

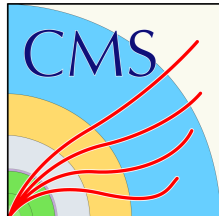
The negative sign is put by hand.  
Why?

Maybe the Higgs *isn't* fundamental?

Maybe the Higgs *is* fundamental but there is still dynamics at play?

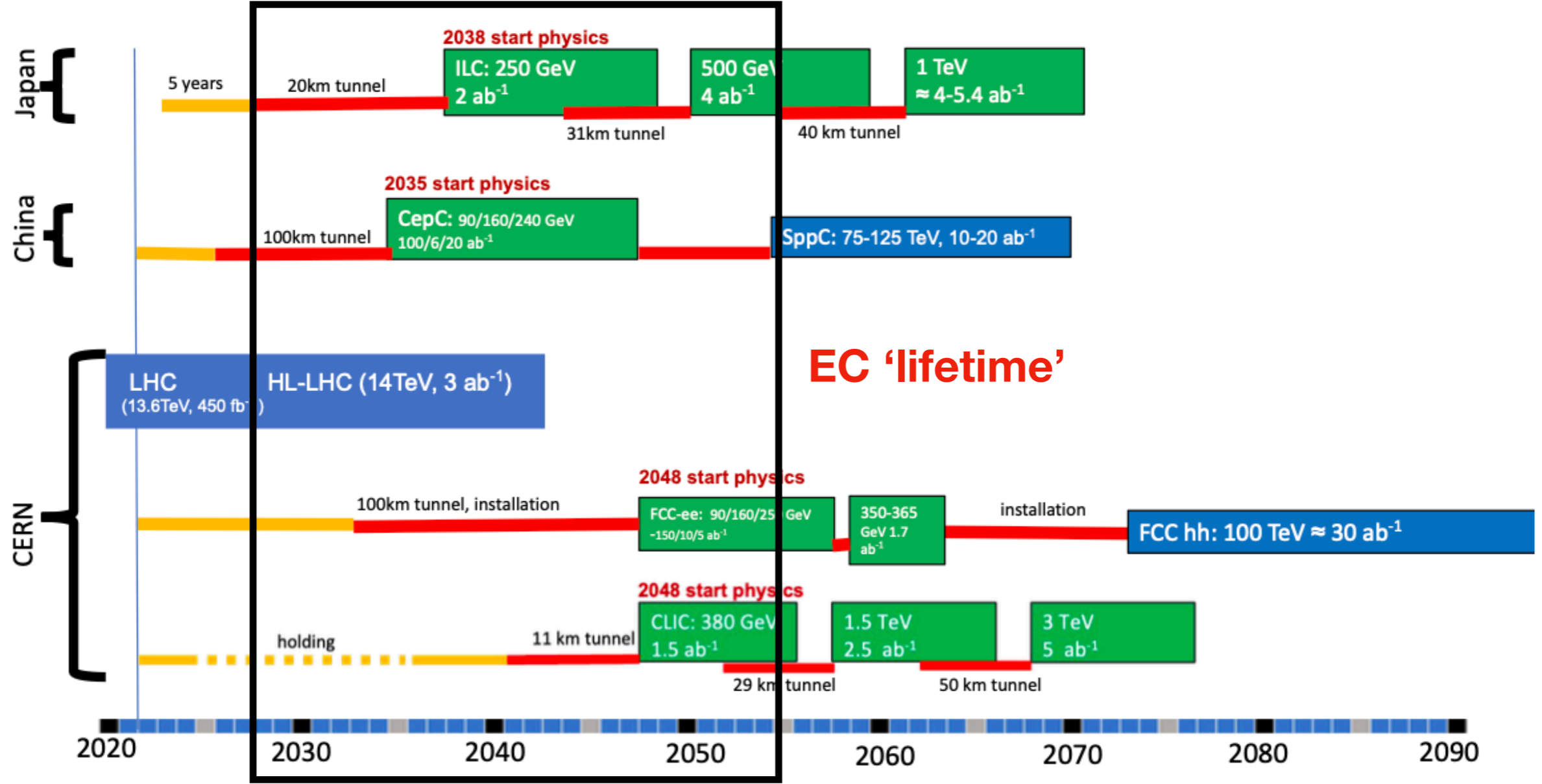


# Timelines



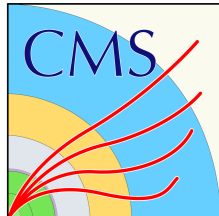
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- Muon collider
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- Preparation / R&D



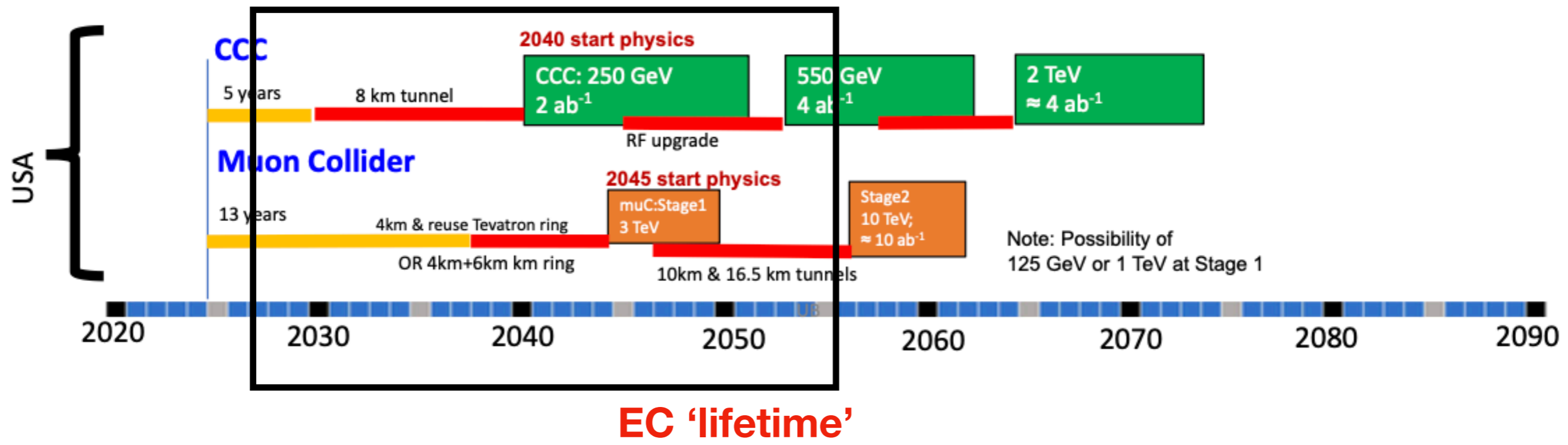
**Figure A-1.** Projected timelines for R&D, construction, and physics operations for some of the leading proposed future collider options.

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## Proposals emerging from Snowmass 2021 for a US based collider



The next 5-40 years will be an exciting time in Collider Physics!

Snowmass process is marching on

- Finalize studies and make worthwhile comparisons
- Advocate to our scientific colleagues
- Advocate to the public, our funding agencies and governments

Our goal should be to create a comprehensive international program that welcomes all with know-how and interest