The Linear Collider Facility proposal and the global Linear Collider Vision

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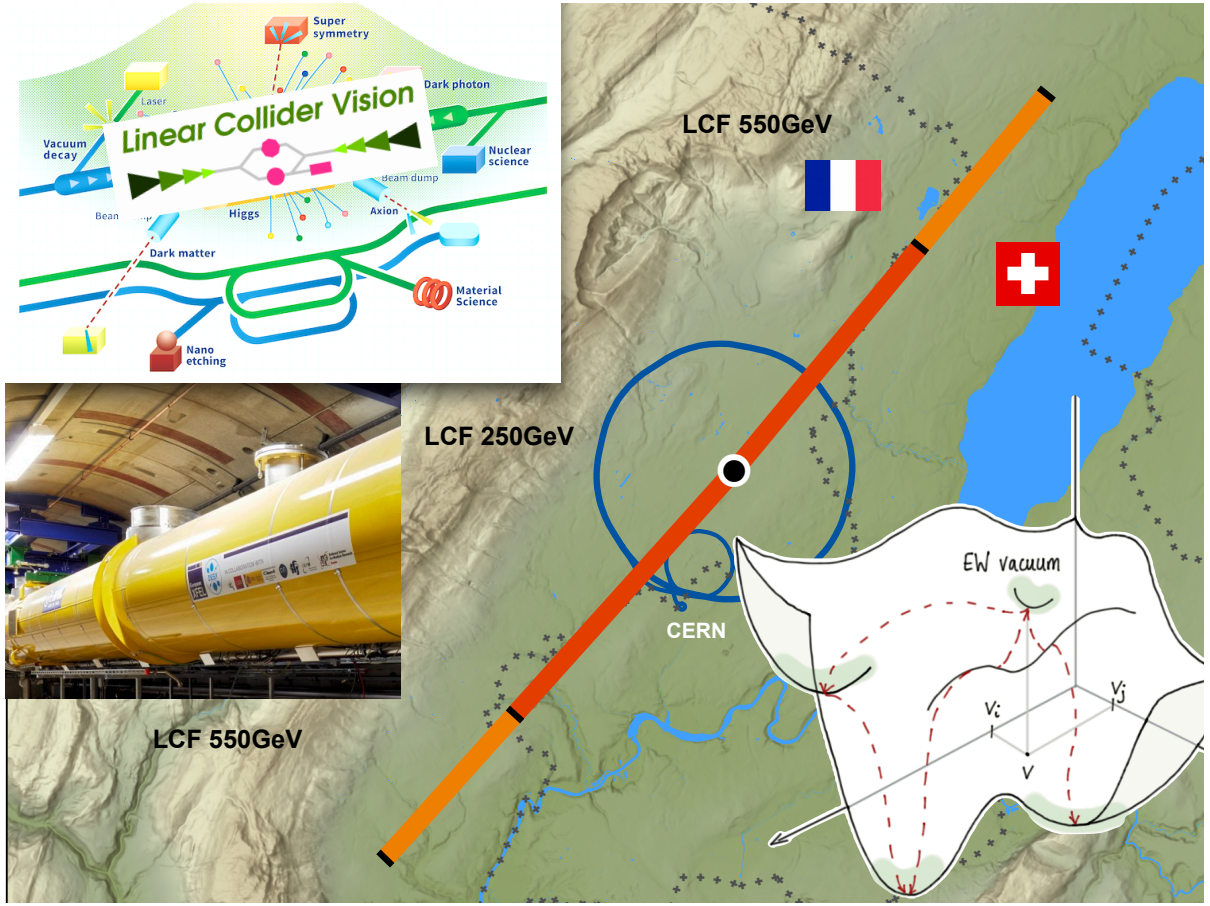
- LCF@CERN
- Conclusions & Invitation



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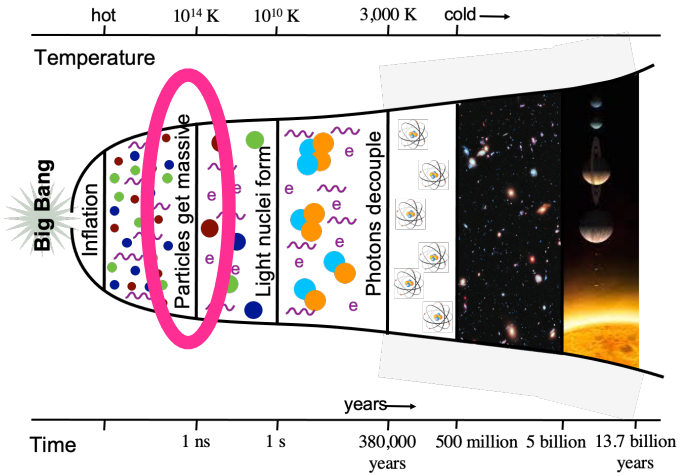

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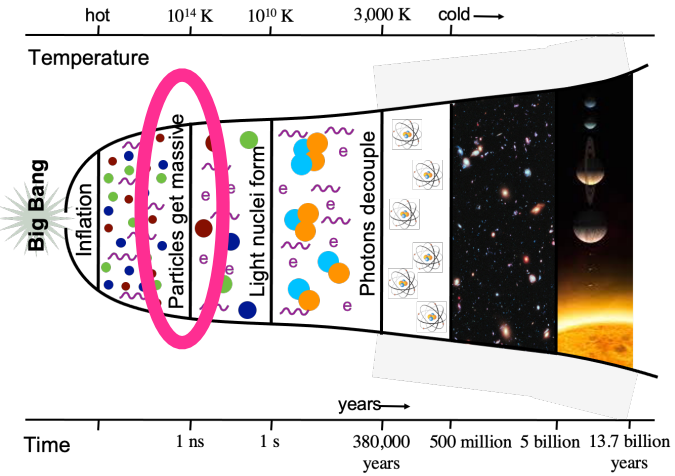

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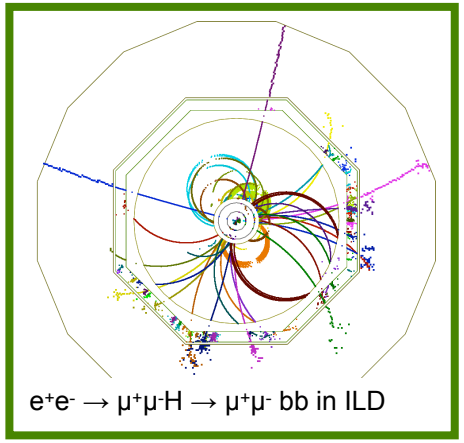
collides elementary, electroweak particles
=> clean experiments & precise predictions



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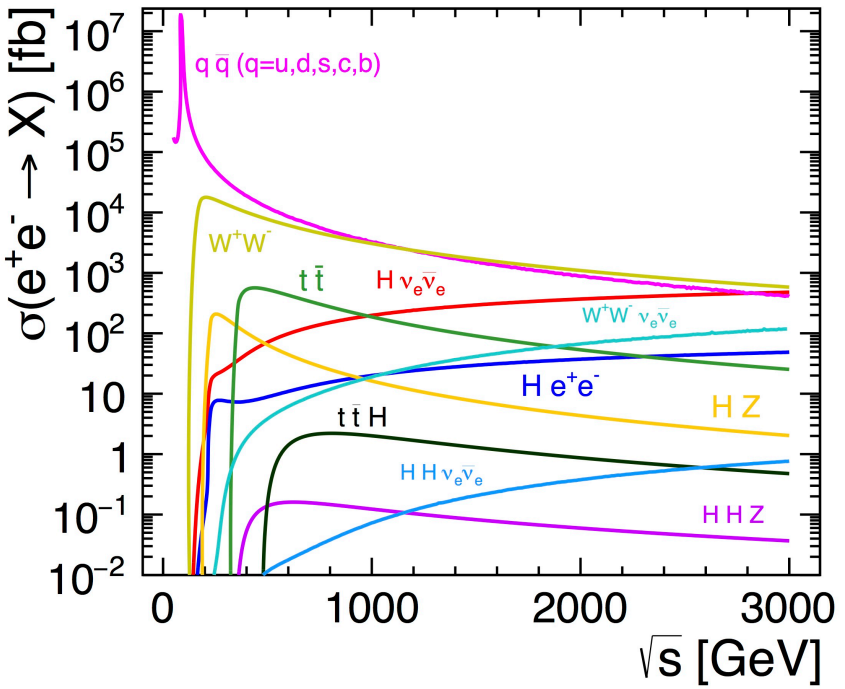

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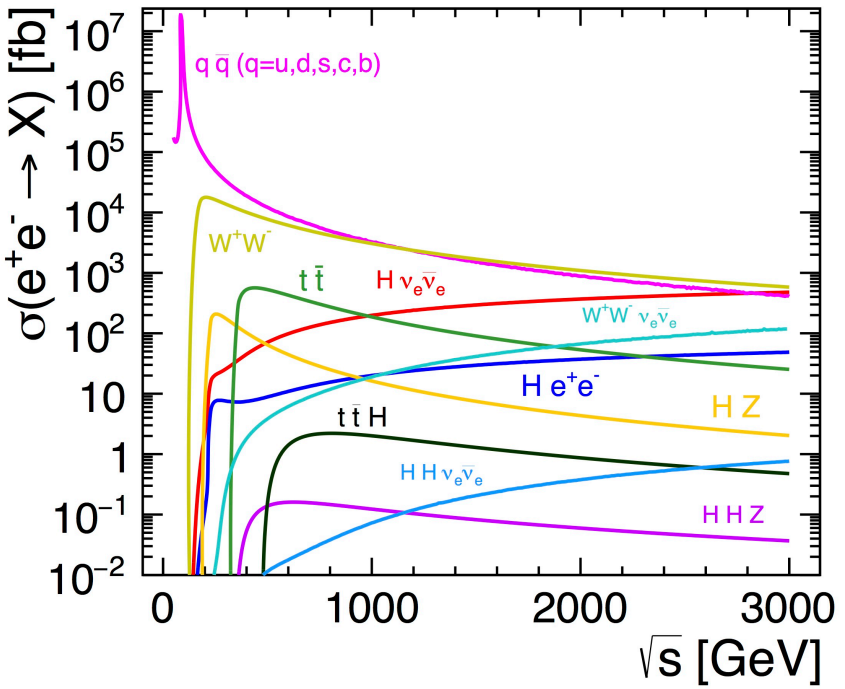

the full Higgs / top / electroweak program requires polarised beams & E_{CM} up to at least 1 TeV

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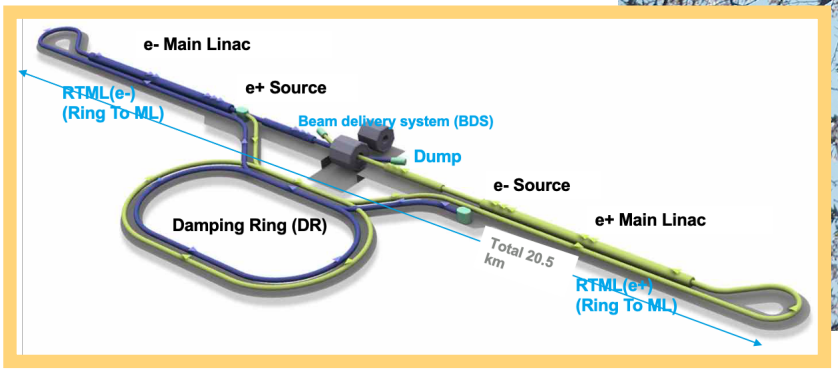
from construction-ready to advanced accelerator R&D



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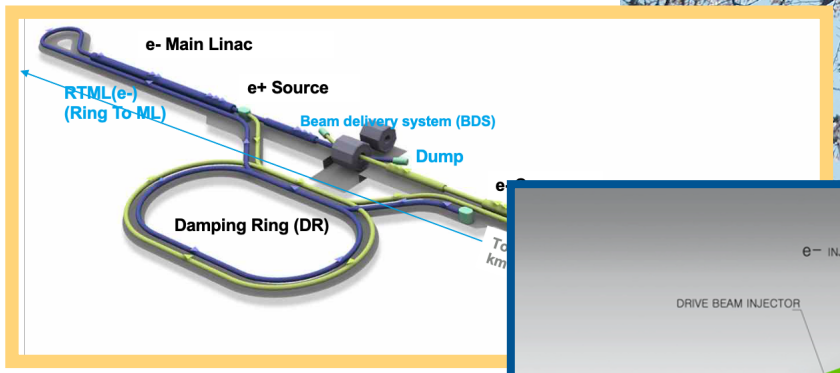

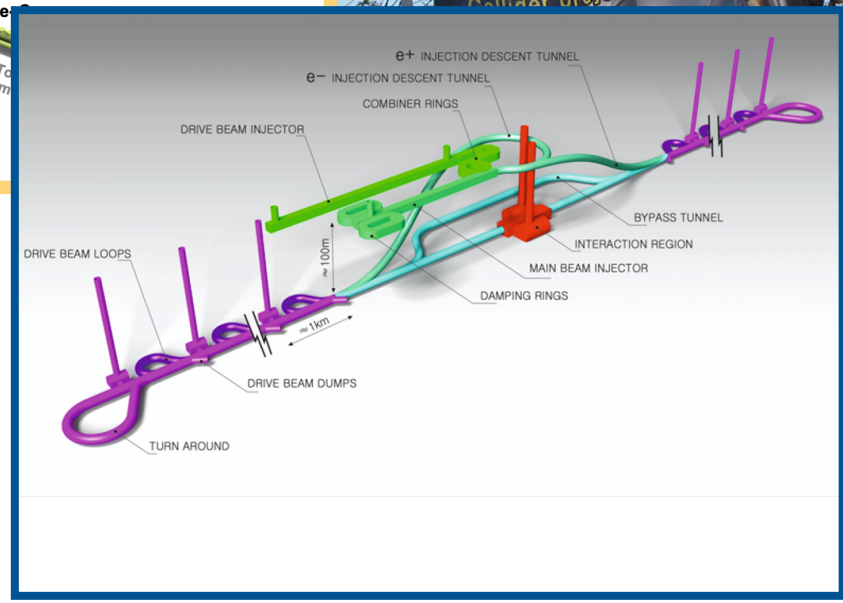

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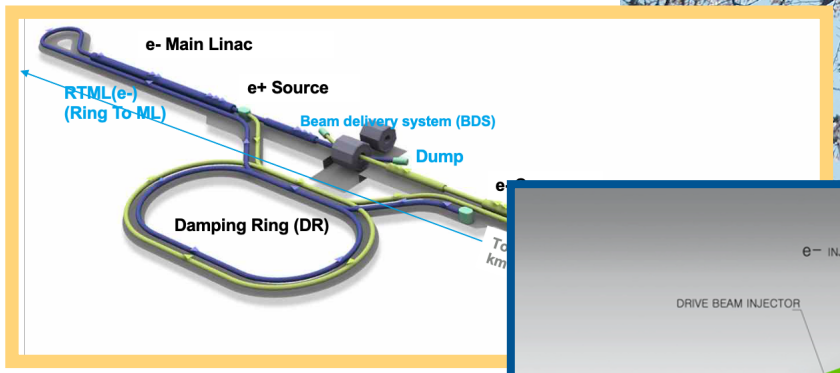

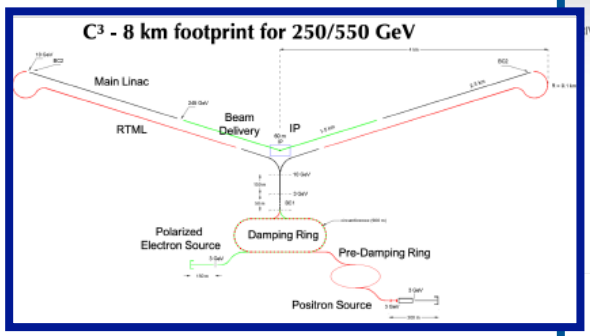

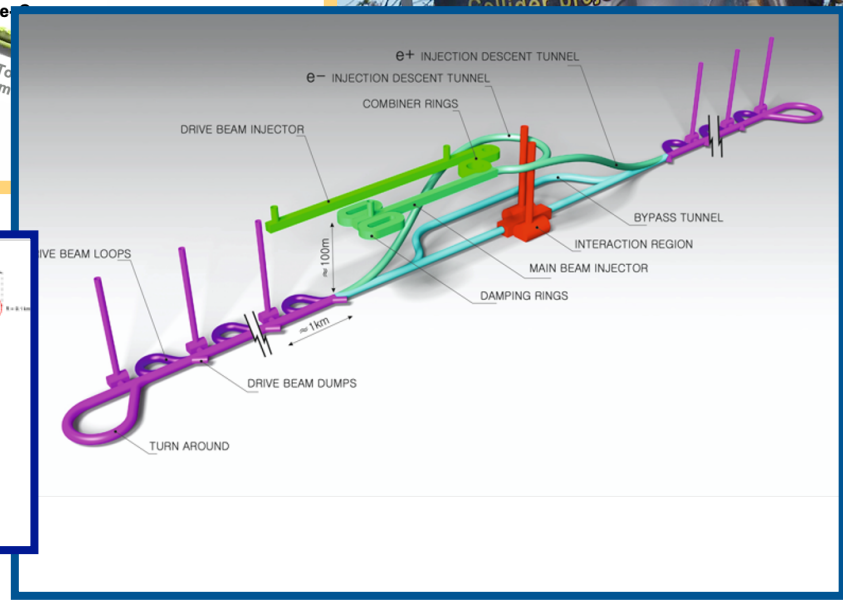

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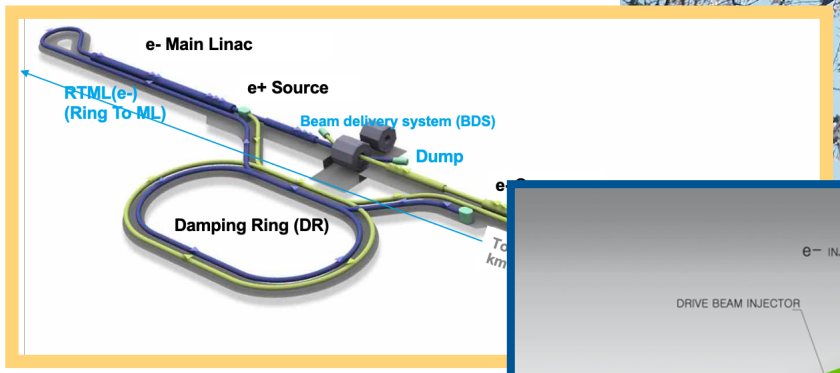

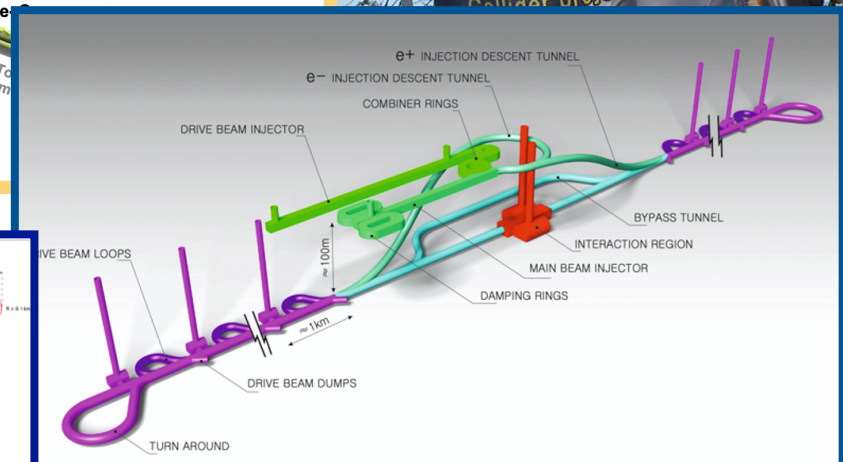

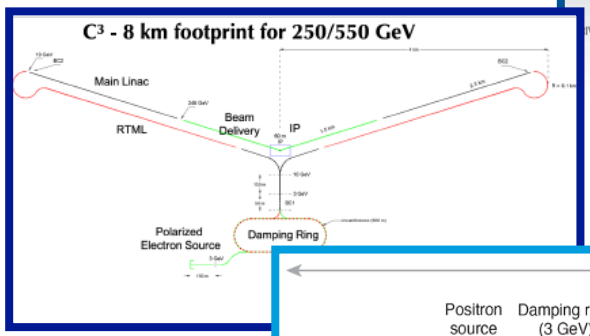

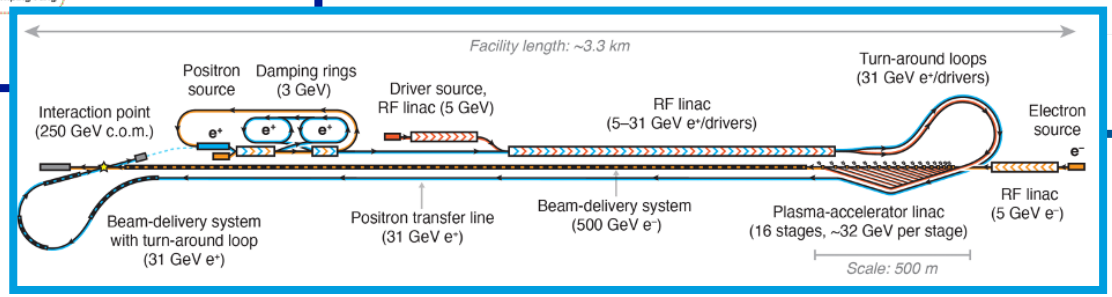

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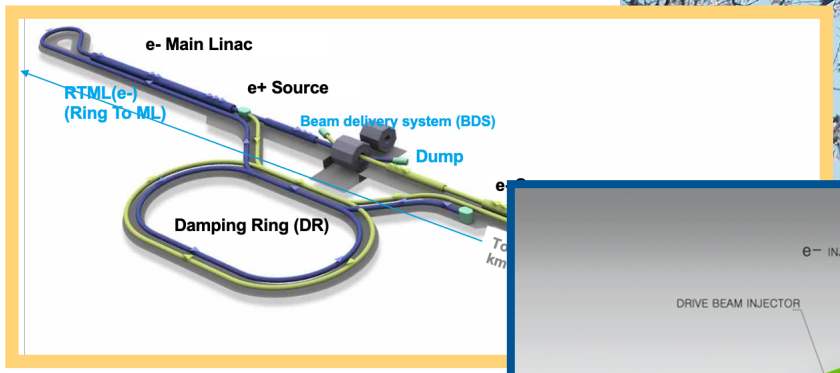

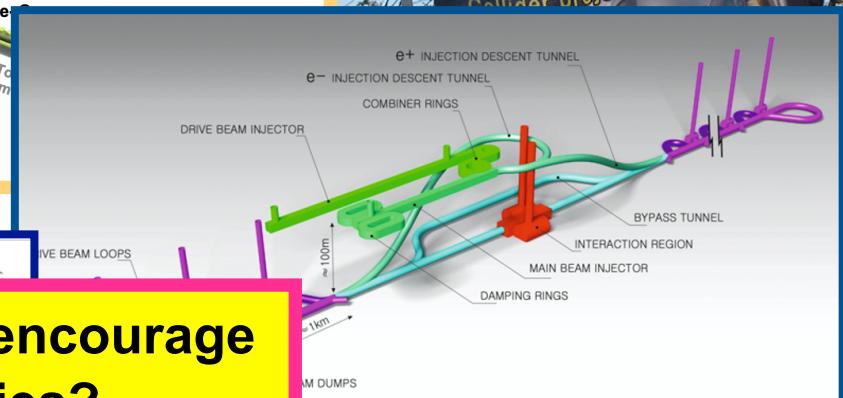

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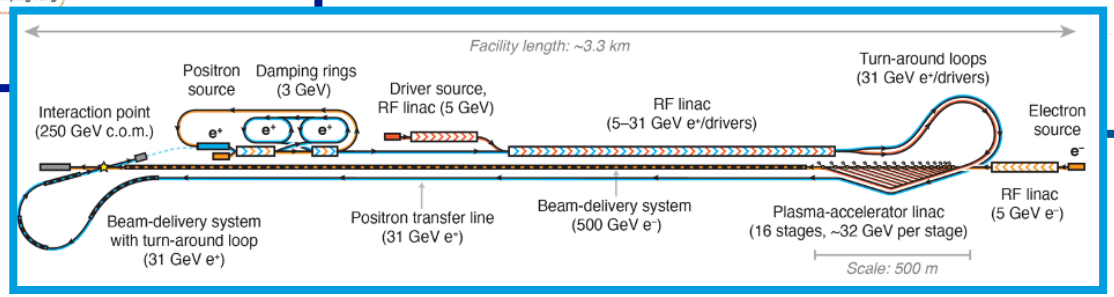

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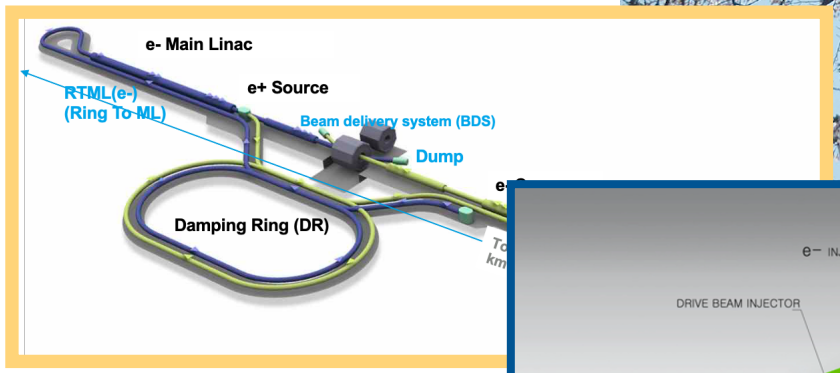

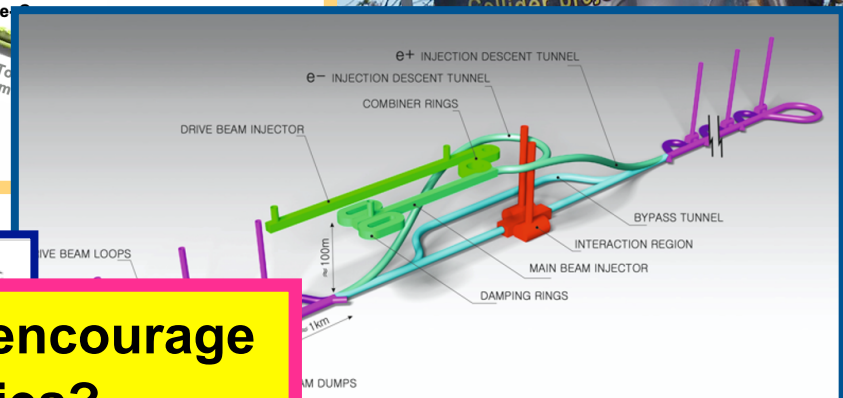

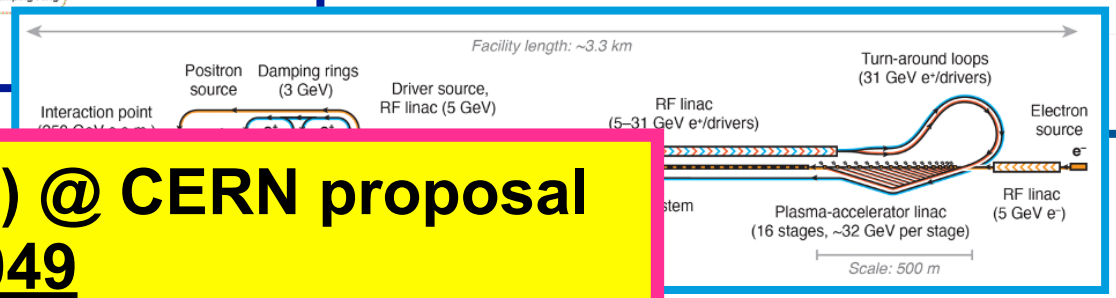

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=> Linear Collider Facility (LCF) @ CERN proposal
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LCVision and the EPPSU

from the remit of the European Strategy Group

- The aim of the strategy update should be
  - **to develop a visionary and concrete plan**
  - that **greatly advances human knowledge in fundamental physics**
  - through the realisation of **the next flagship project at CERN.**
- The Strategy update should include
  - **the preferred option for the next collider at CERN**
  - **and prioritised alternative options** to be pursued if the chosen preferred plan turns out **not to be feasible or competitive.**
- **LCVision**
  - a **bottom-up initiative** founded at LCWS 2024 in Tokyo
  - to take an **across-project look at physics and technologies** of Linear Colliders &
  - to put forward a concrete proposal for a **Linear Collider Facility (LCF) @ CERN**

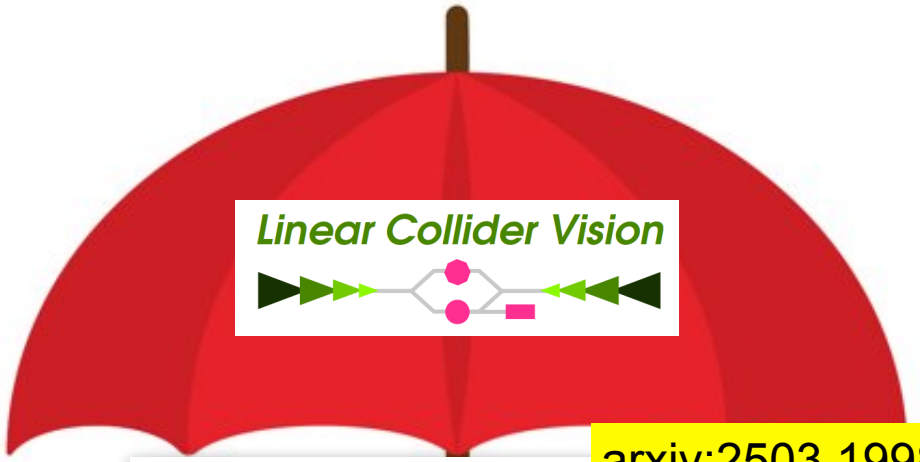
LCVision: a united approach

LCWS2024: Linear Colliders teaming up in view of the upcoming EPSSU

- **all linear colliders share the same scientific goals:**
  - formulate a coherent physics program
  - define energy stages etc science-driven
- **beyond an individual technology:**
  - design a linear collider *facility*
  - infrastructure compatible with various technologies
  - plus beam-dump / fixed-target exp's / R&D facilities
- **study the Higgs now - but maintain flexibility for the future:**
  - start now with an *affordable* project
    - maintain scientific diversity
    - strengthen accelerator R&D towards 10 TeV pCoM collider
  - decide on upgrades / new projects based on future developments - or even break-throughs:
    - scientifically: HL-LHC could still discover new particles
    - technologically: higher gradients / muon cooling / high-field magnets

LCVision EPPSU documents

… and relation to other inputs



arxiv paper & EPPSU submission

LC Physics Case & long-term vision

arxiv:2503.19983

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arxiv:2503.24049

EPPSU submission & back-up document

Technologies and upgrades

ILC in Japan (IDT)

arxiv:2505.11292

CLIC at CERN

arxiv:2503.24168 arxiv:2503.21857

C^3

arxiv:2503.20829

HALHF

arxiv:2503.23489 arxiv:2503.19880

10 TeV Wakefield

arxiv:2503.20214 arxiv:2504.01434

Beyond Collider

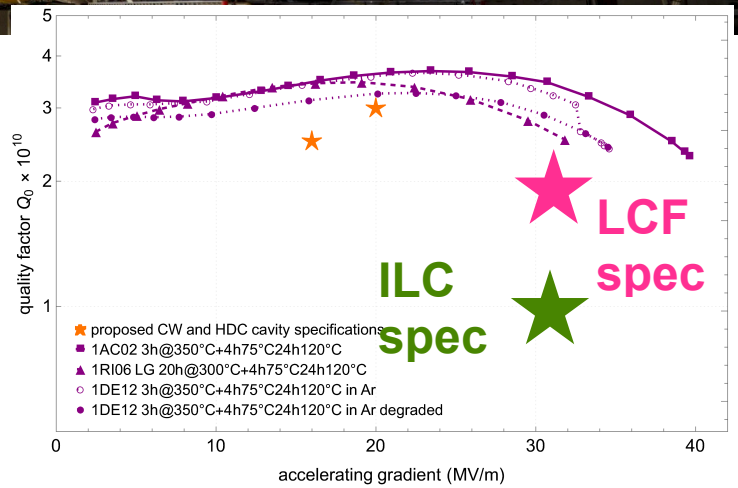
https://cds.cern.ch/record/2927631

The LCF@CERN Proposal

General Considerations

for the LCF@CERN

- Philosophy:
  - leverage all the excellent work done for ILC & CLIC in the past
    - reliable costing etc
    - “ready to build”
  - gently modernize to turn into true flagship project for CERN
- Superconducting RF technology (like ILC)
  - successful construction & operation of Eu.XFEL, LCLS-II…
    => no large-scale demonstrator step needed
  - lab experience and production capacities in industry globally
    => opportunity to take burden off CERN’s shoulders
  - choice for fastest implementation
- Scope project to be a flagship project for CERN
  - 2 interaction regions
  - 2-4x higher luminosity than ILC (power calc. assumes Q_0=2E10)
  - add-on facilities (Beyond Collider, R&D / irradiation facilities)
  - attaractive upgrade perspectives with advanced technologies
  - but stay affordable (constr. and op.) wrt to CERN budget



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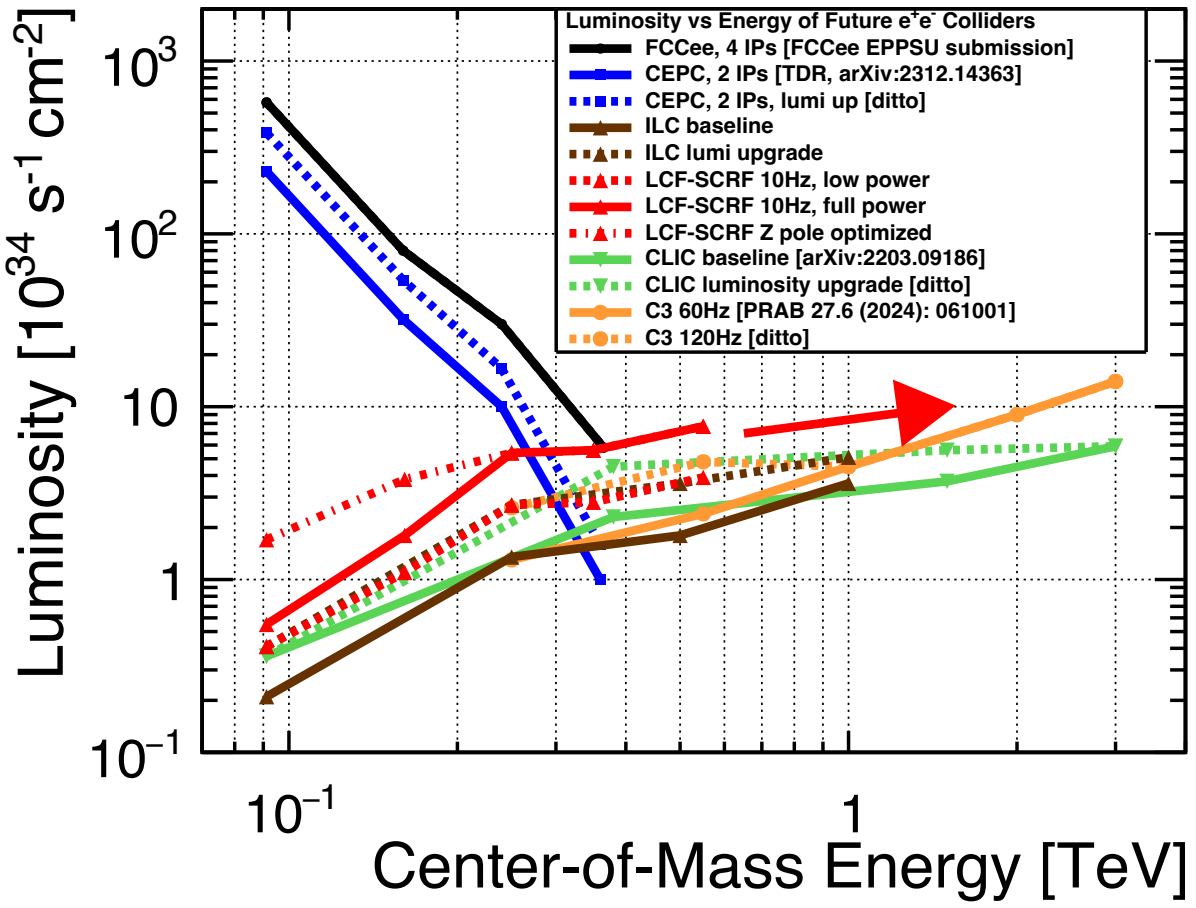

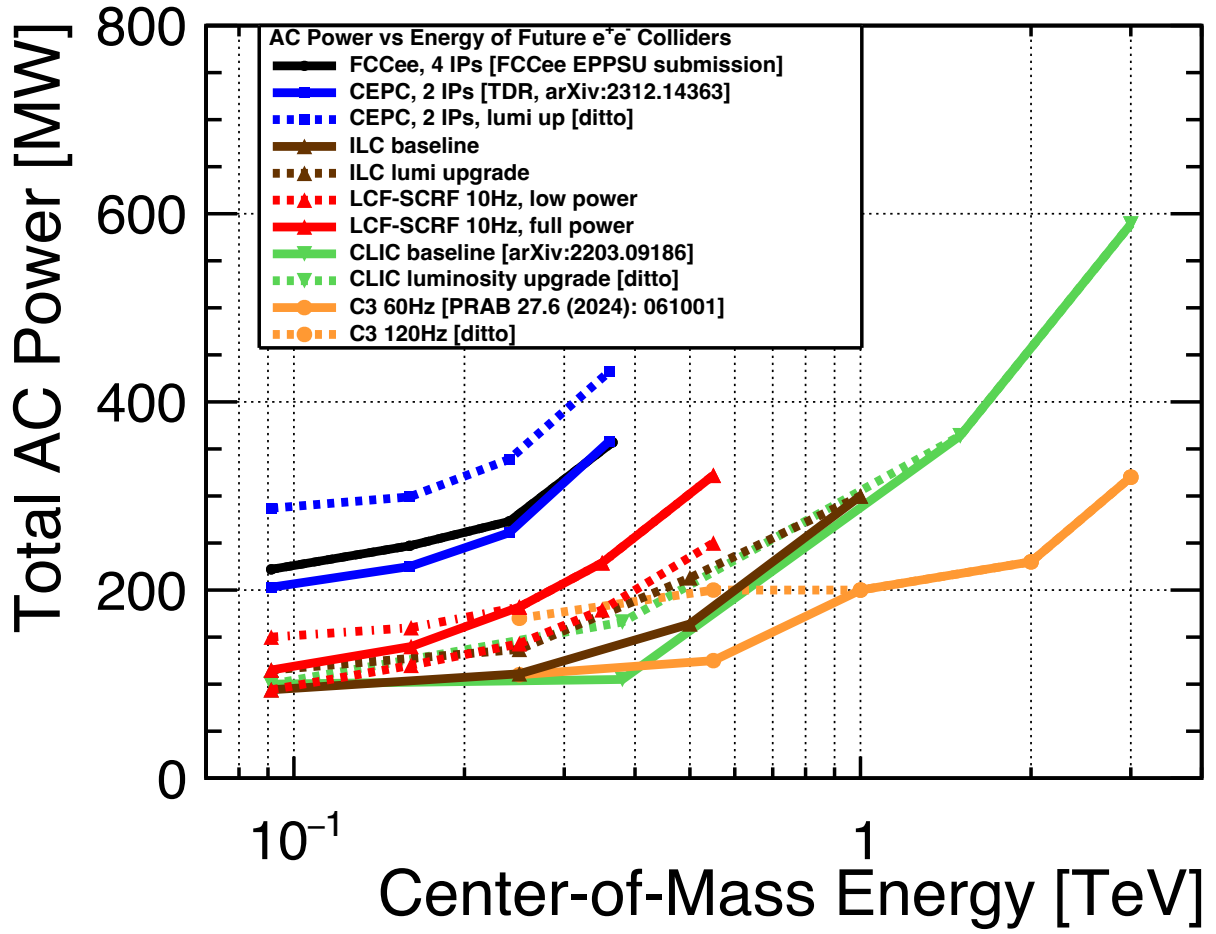

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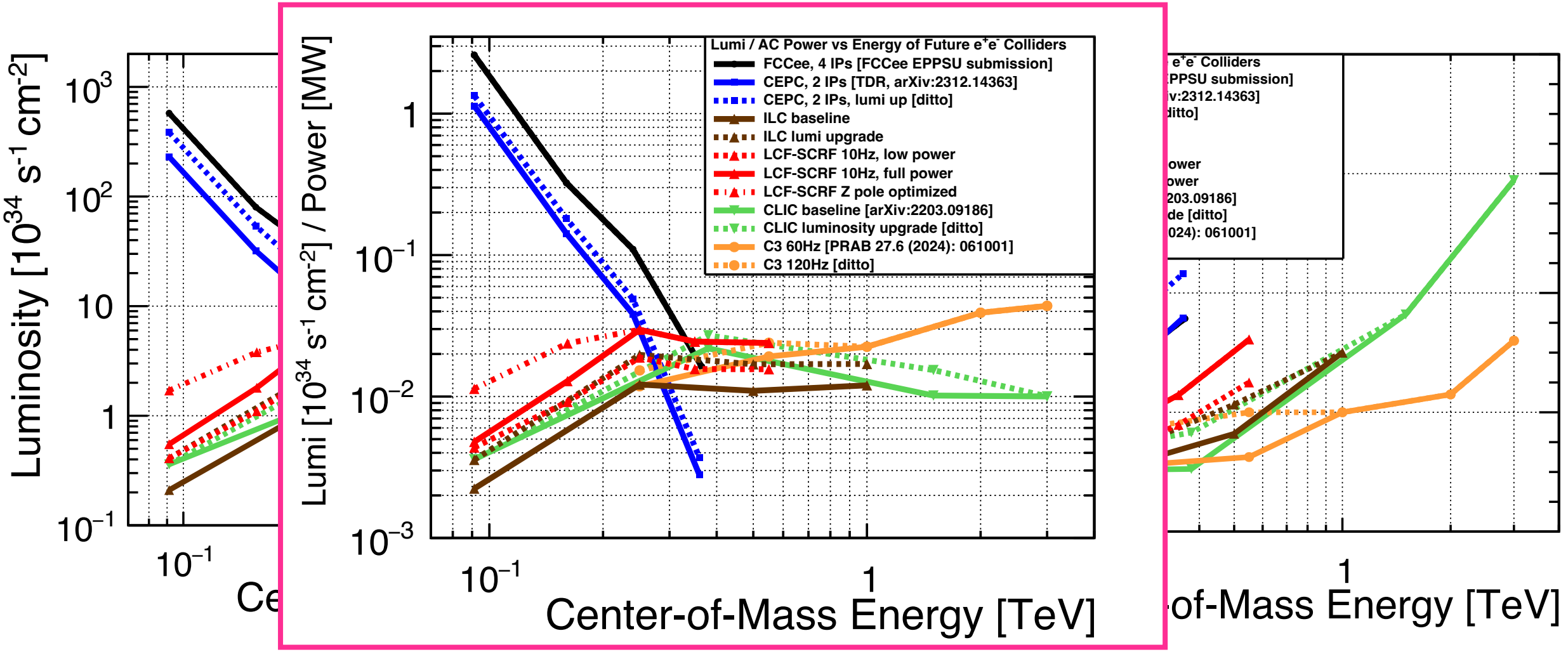

The first stage - or what can LCF offer for ~8 BCHF?

250 GeV incl Z pole - facility

- **33.5km long tunnel => reach 550 GeV with 31.5 MV/m SCRF**
- **∅ 5.6m, two IPs**
- **equipped with SCRF for 250 GeV**
- **10Hz trains of 1312 bunches => L = 2.7 x 10^{34} / cm^2 / s**
- **construction cost: 8.29 BCHF**
- **AC power: 143 MW**
- optionally: beam-dump / fixed-target
- upgrade: double luminosity 2625 bunches / train:
  +0.77 BCHF + 39MW
- **both beams polarised:**
  - **e-: 80%**
  - **e+: 30%**
- **3ab-1 @ 250 GeV**
- operation at Z pole (eg 100fb^{-1})
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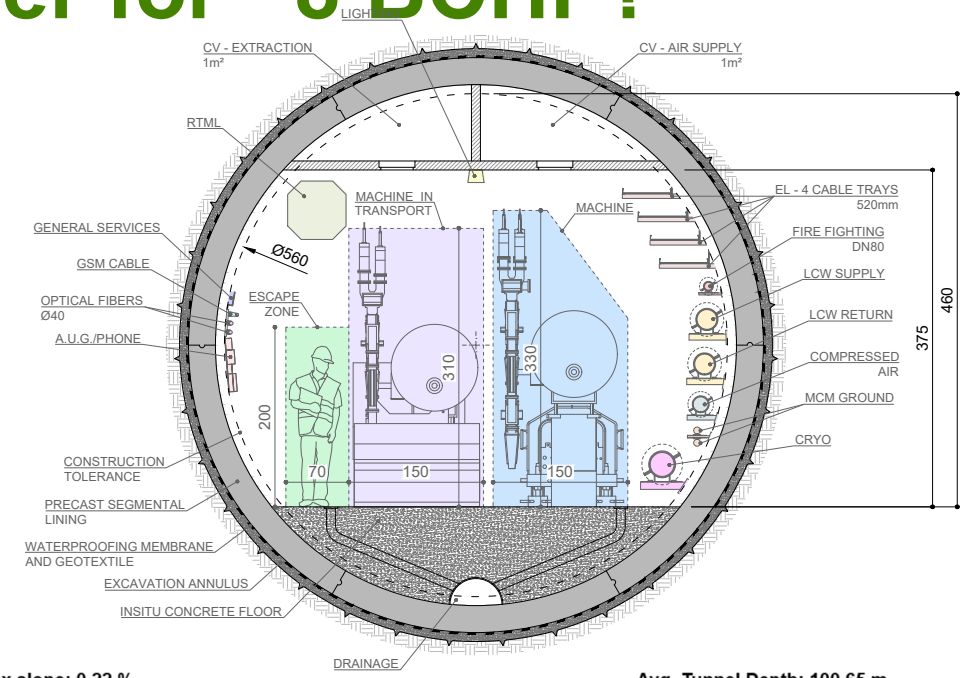

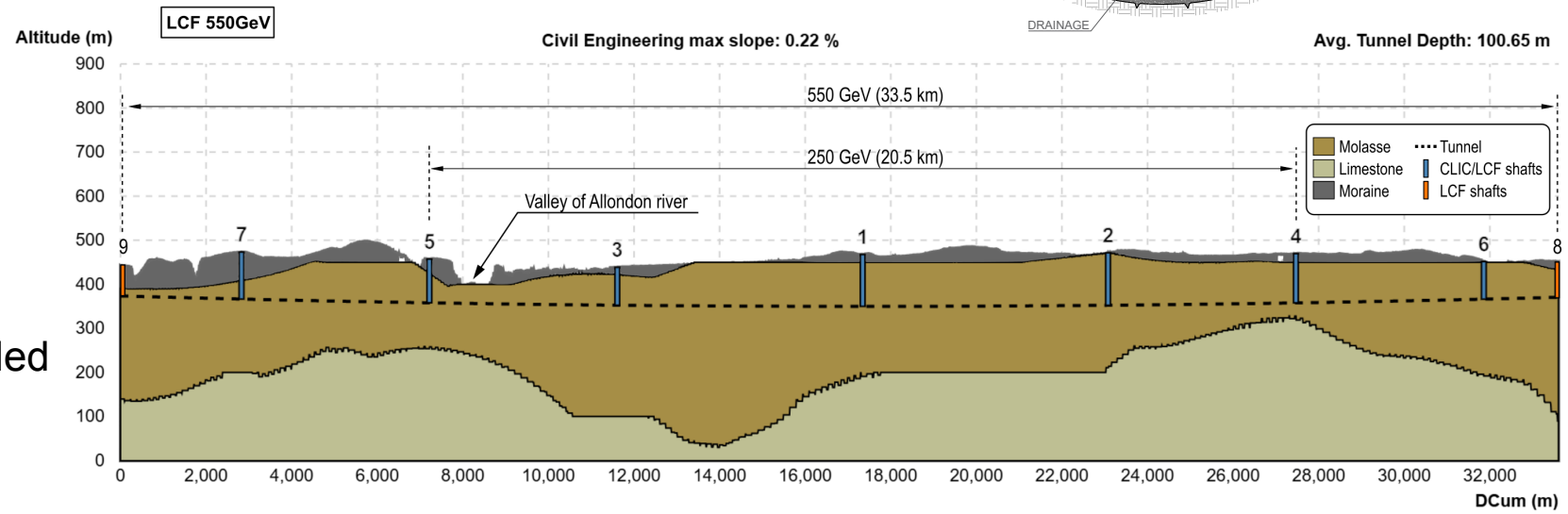

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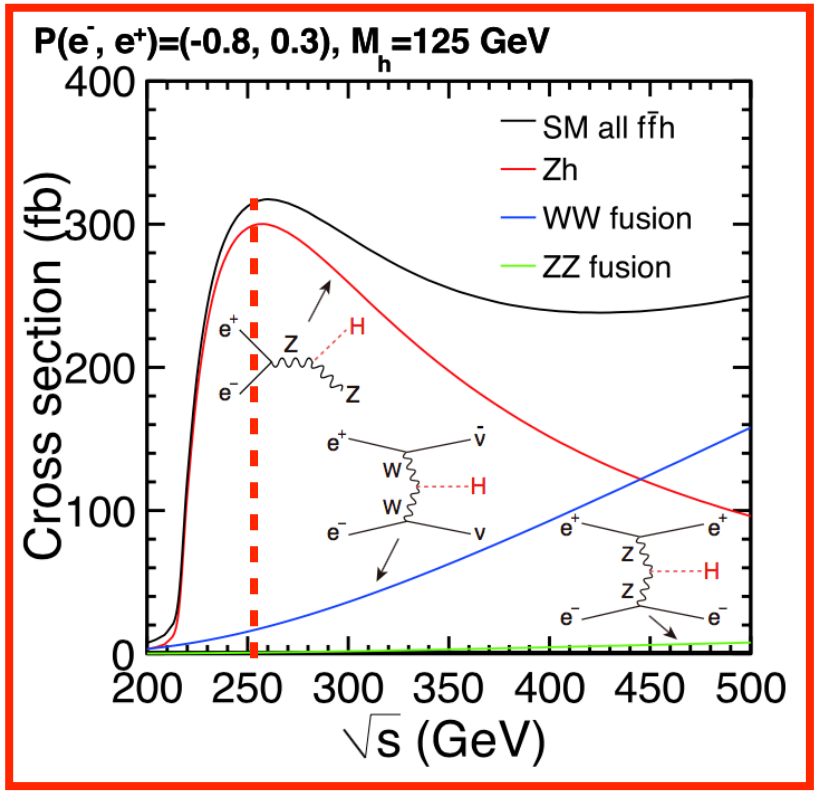

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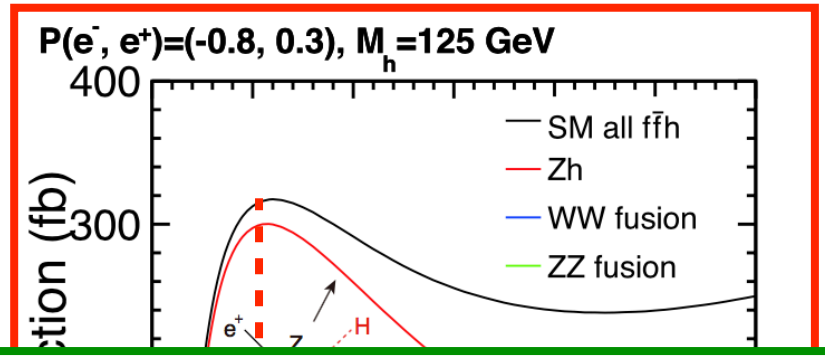

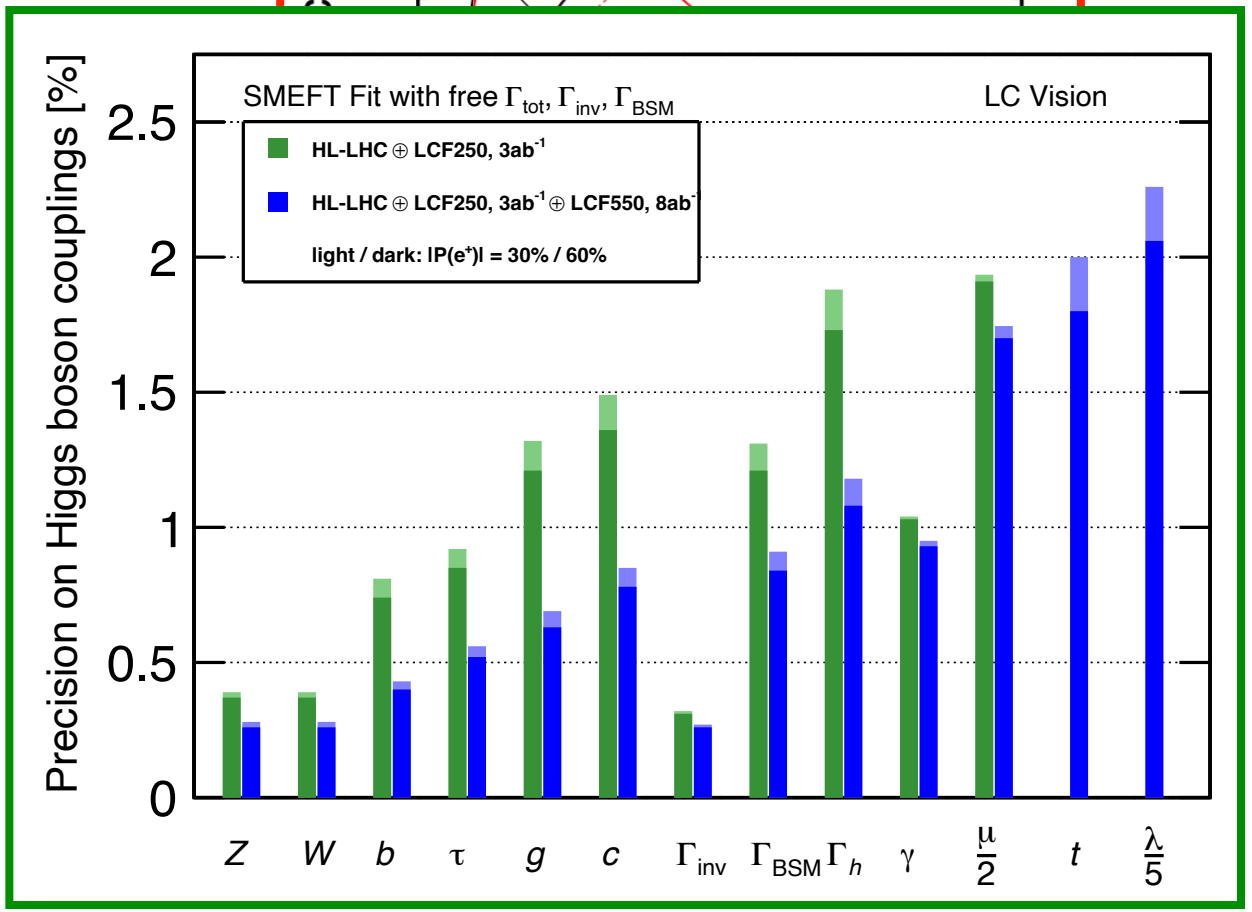

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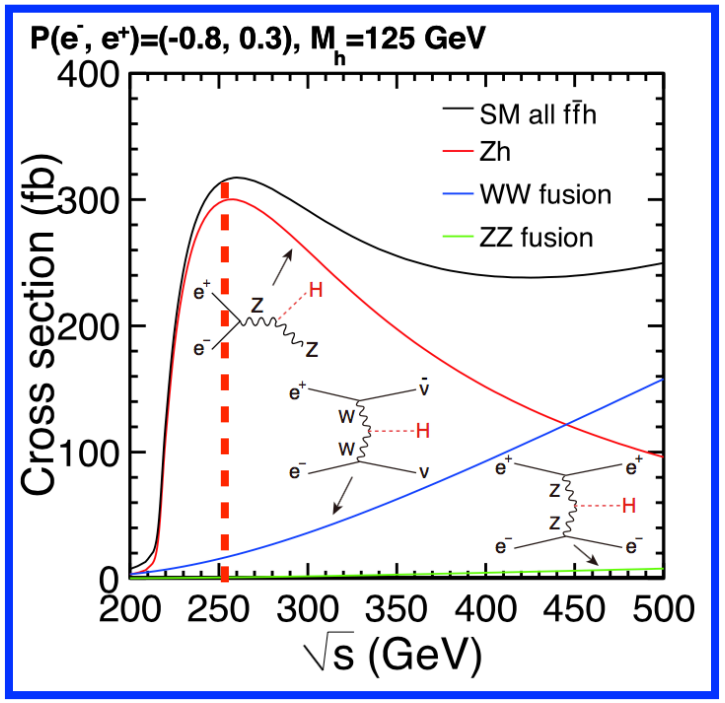

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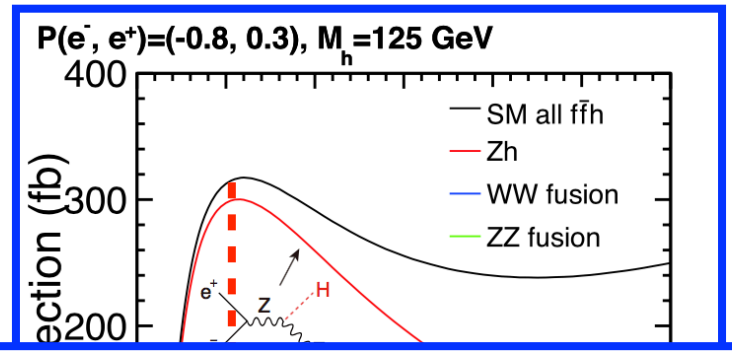

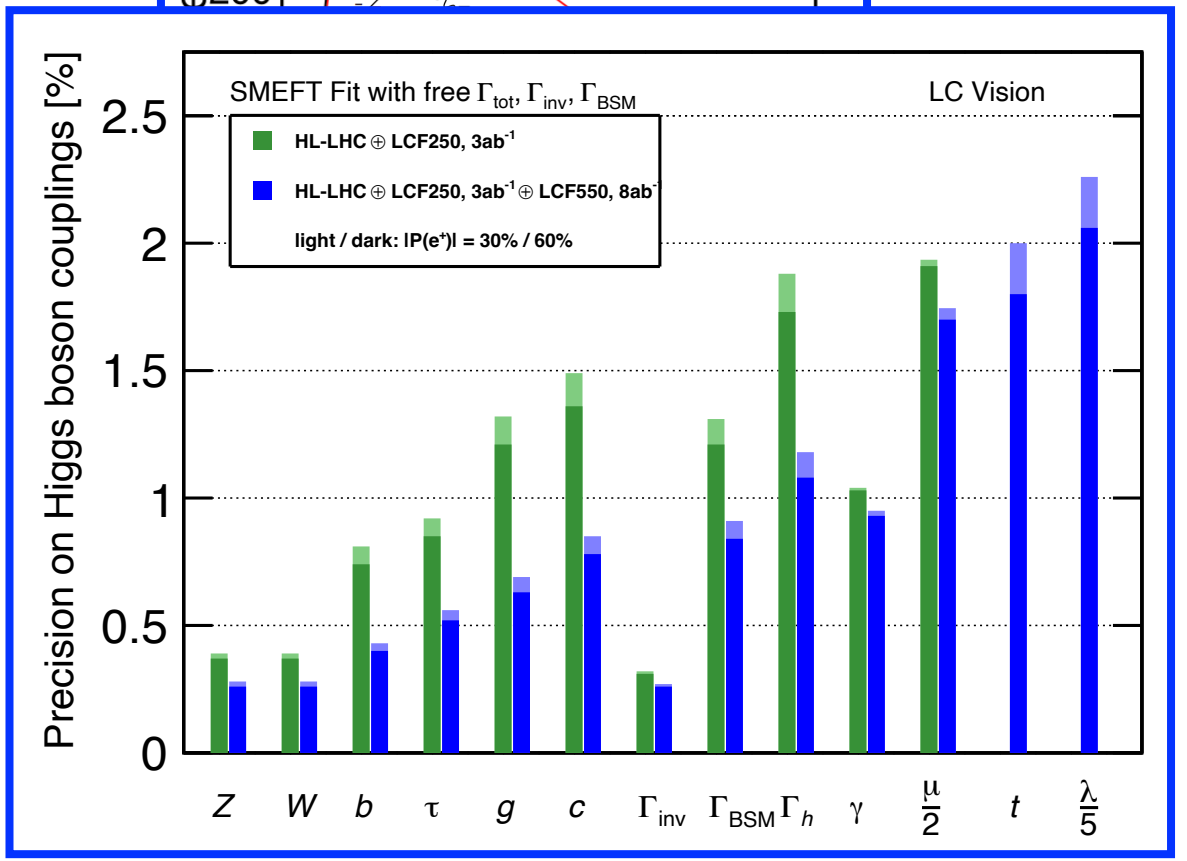

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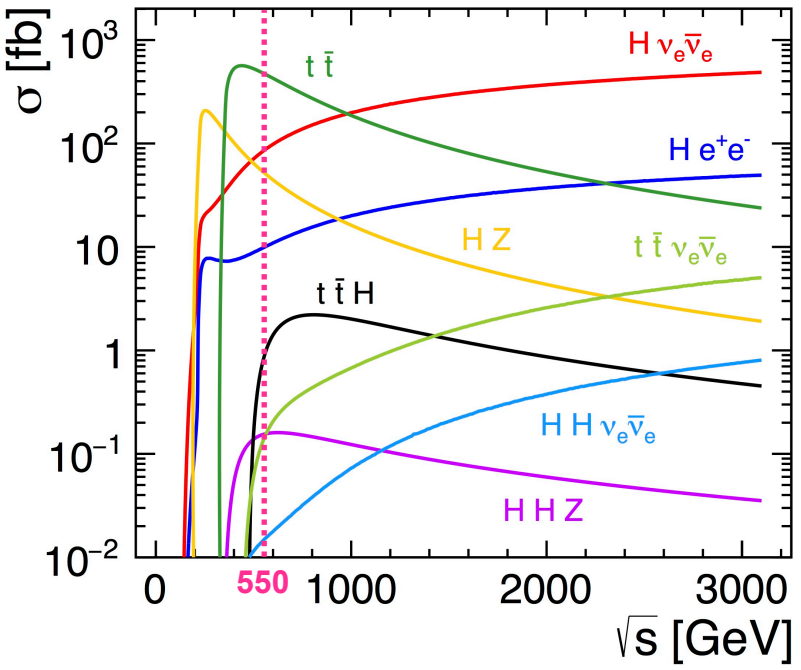

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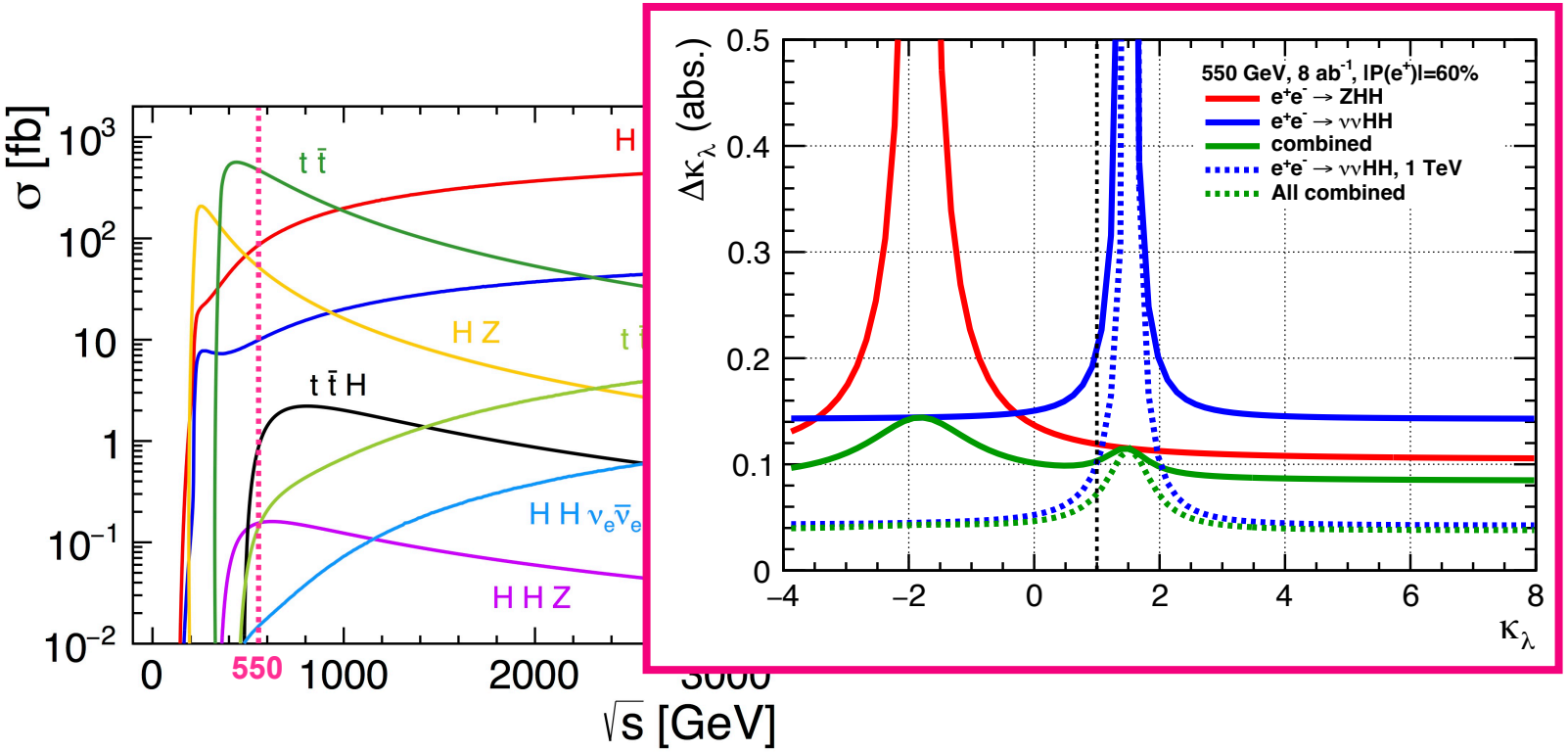

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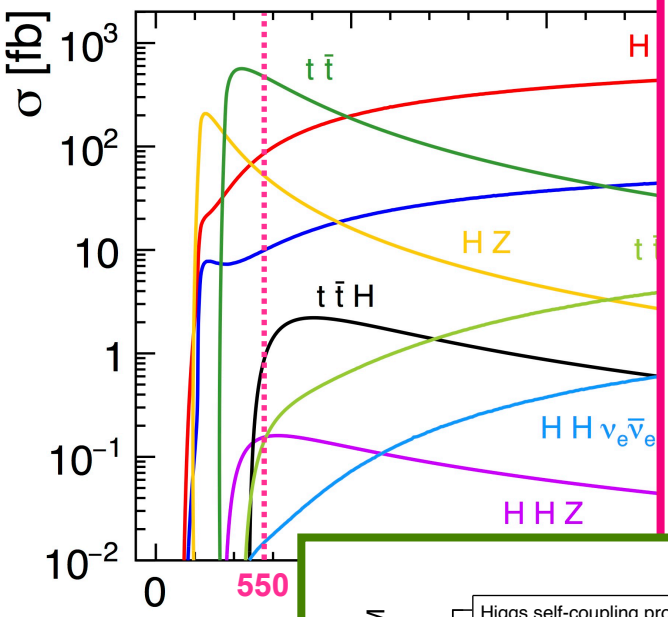

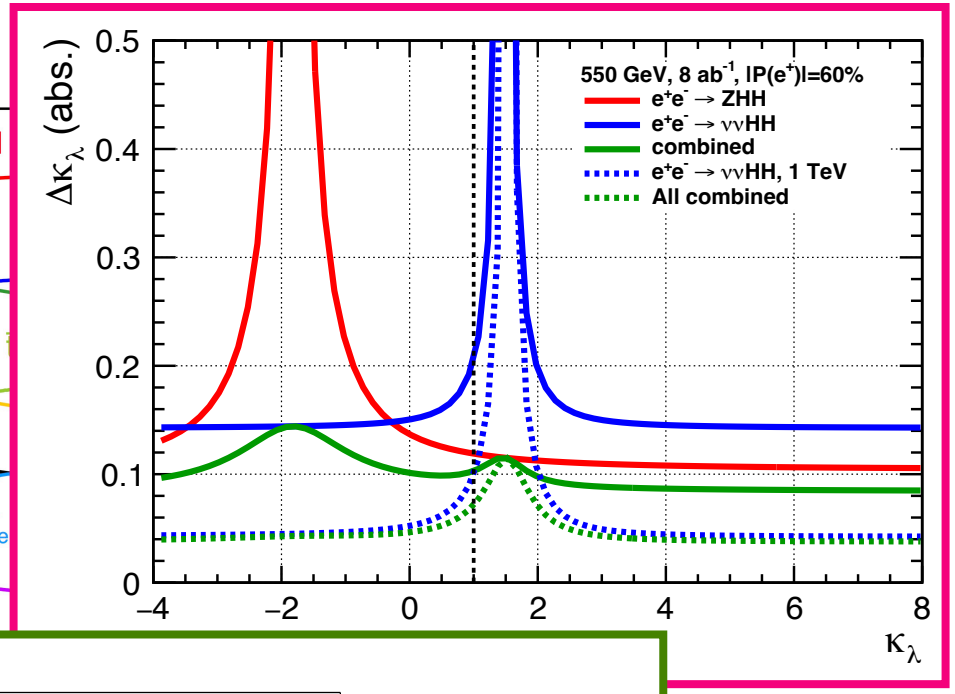

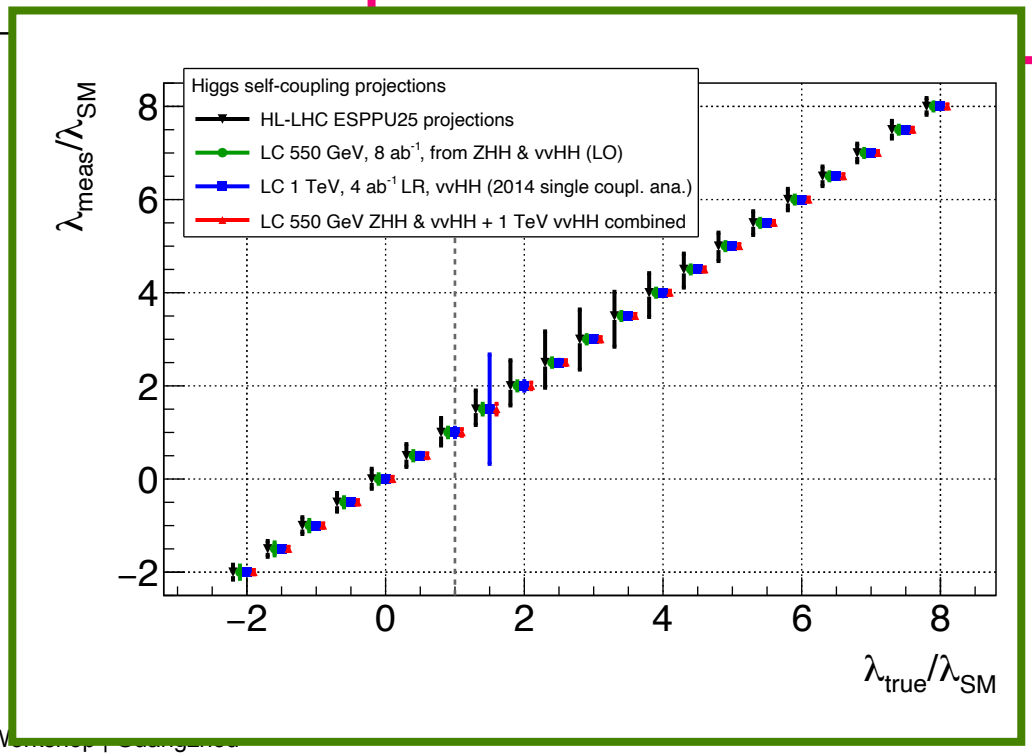

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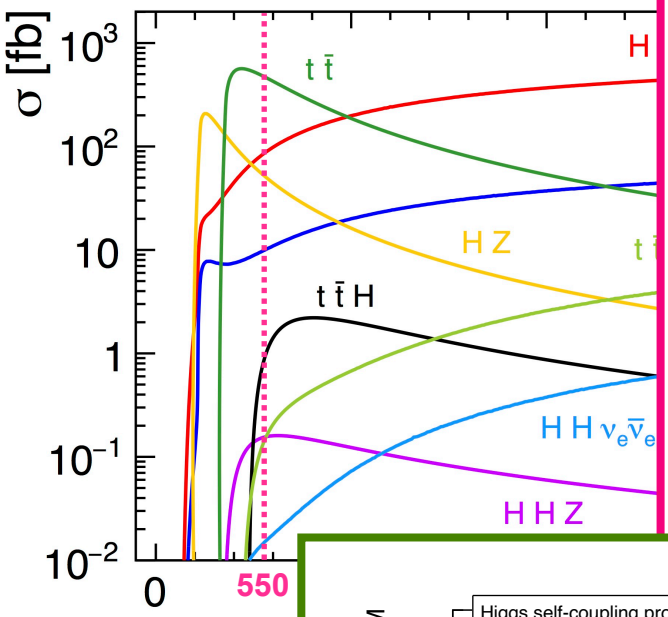

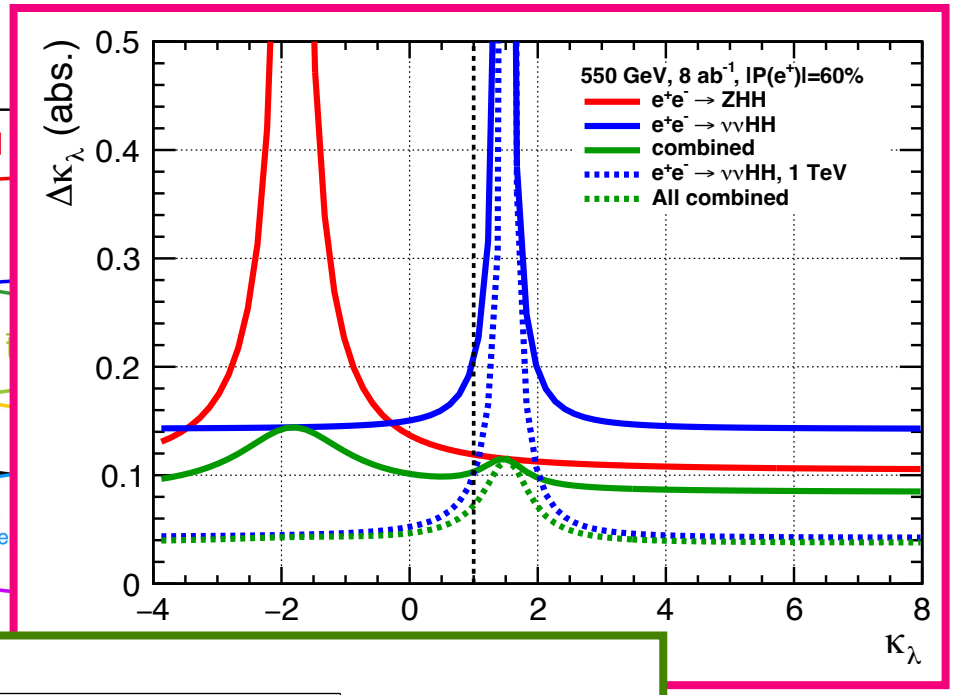

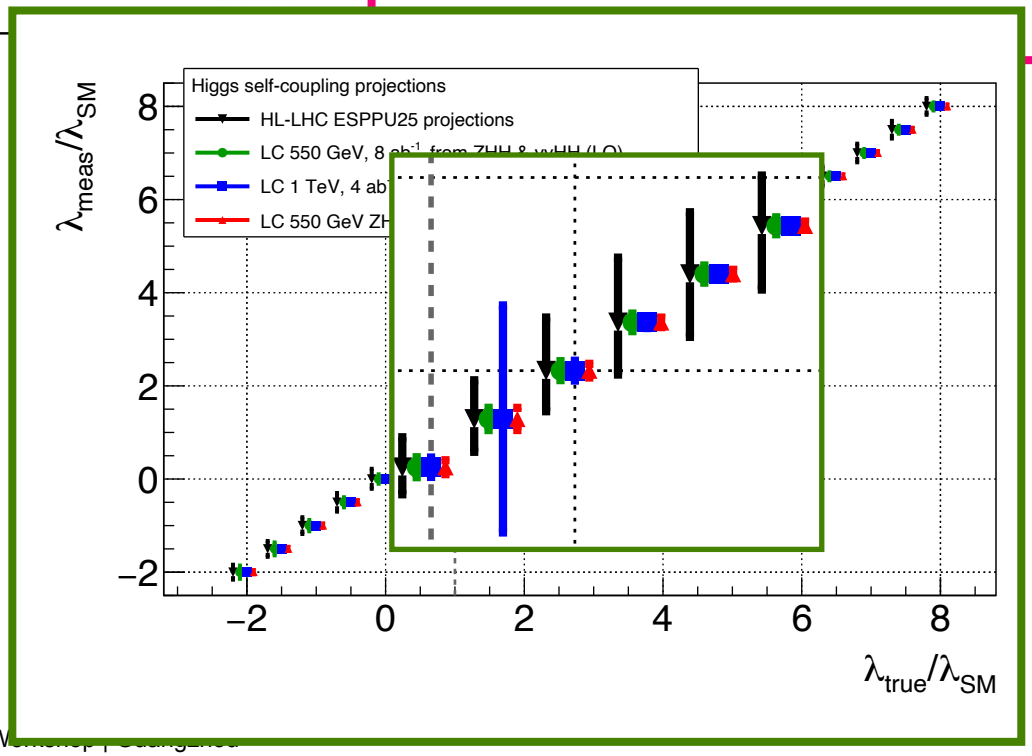

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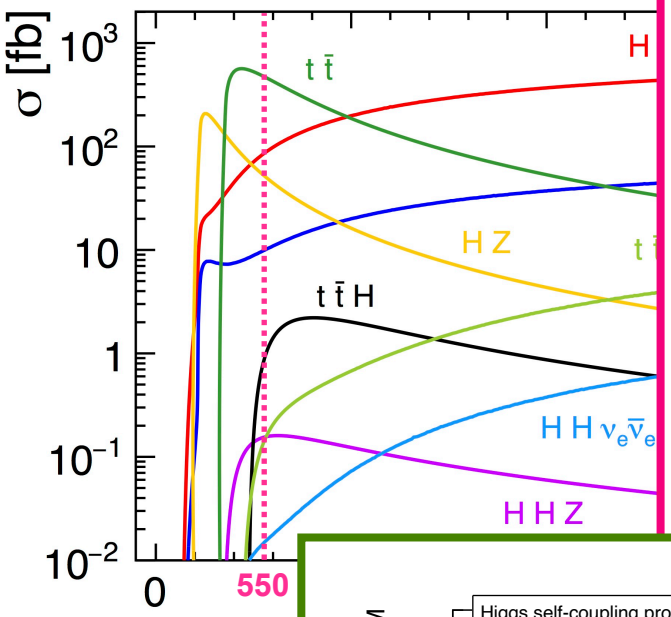

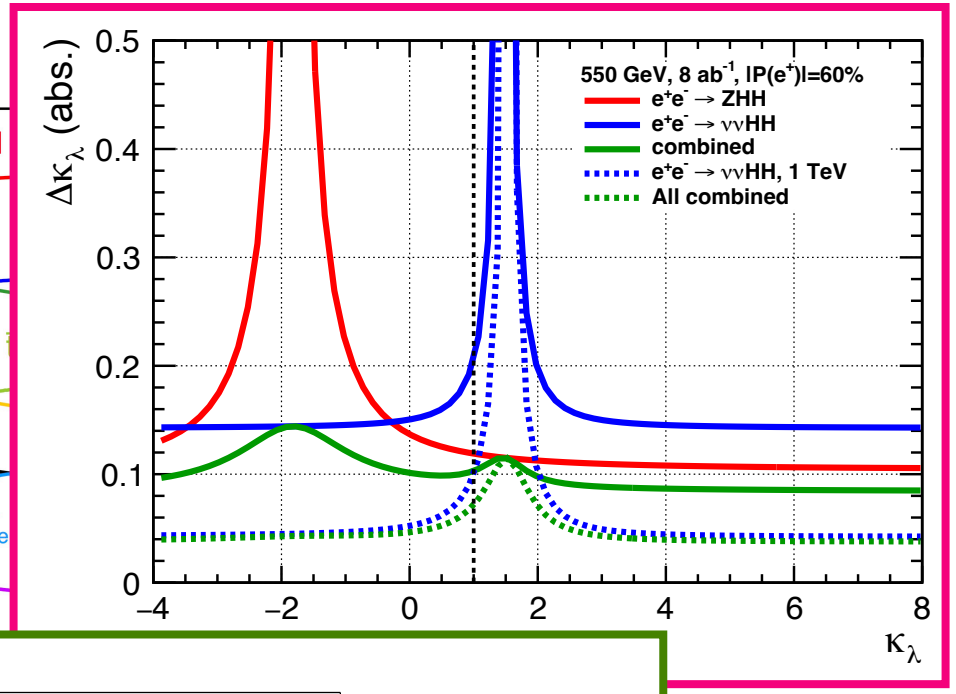

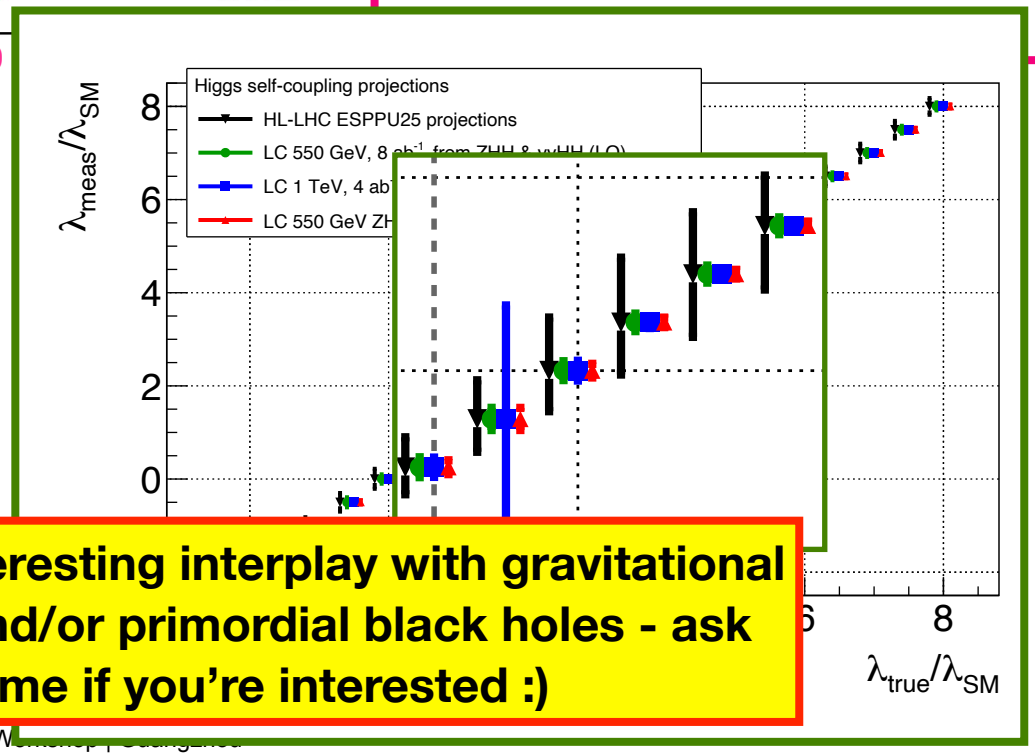

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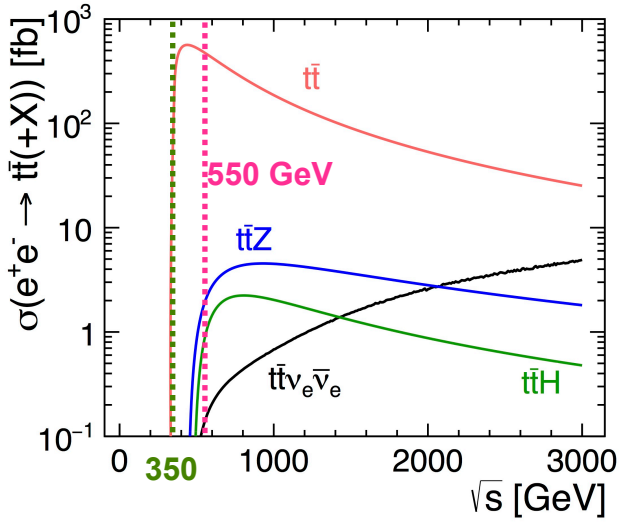

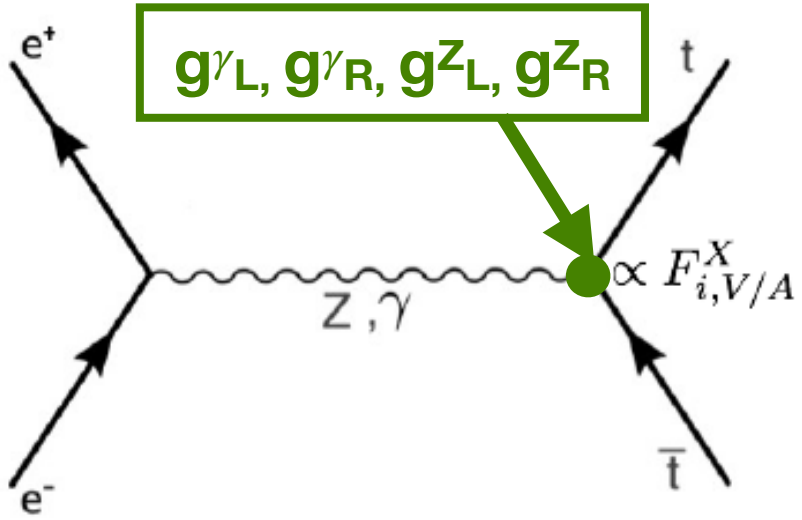

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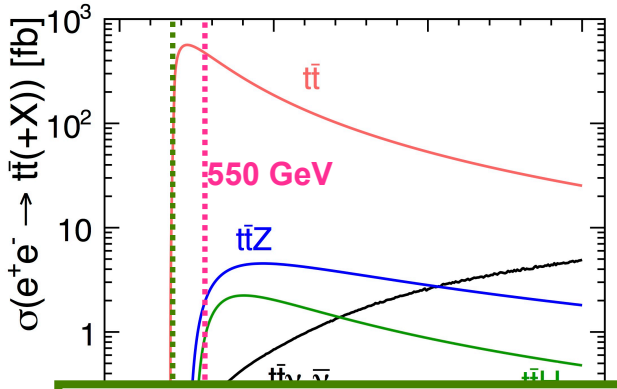

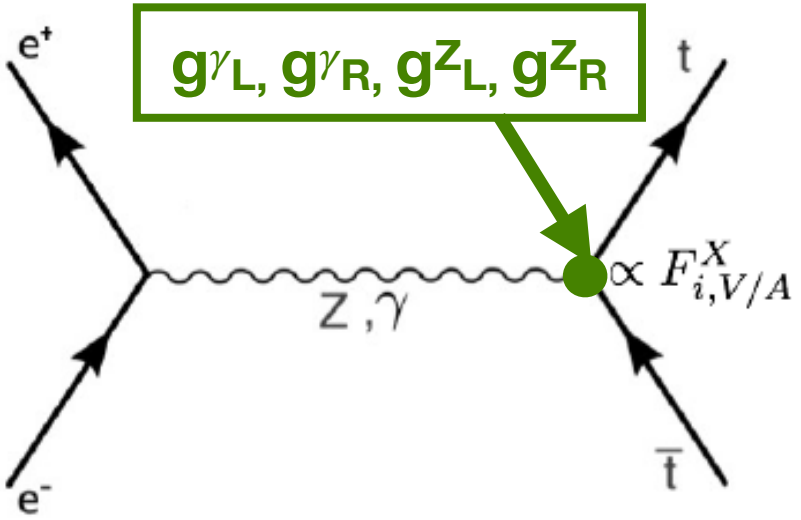

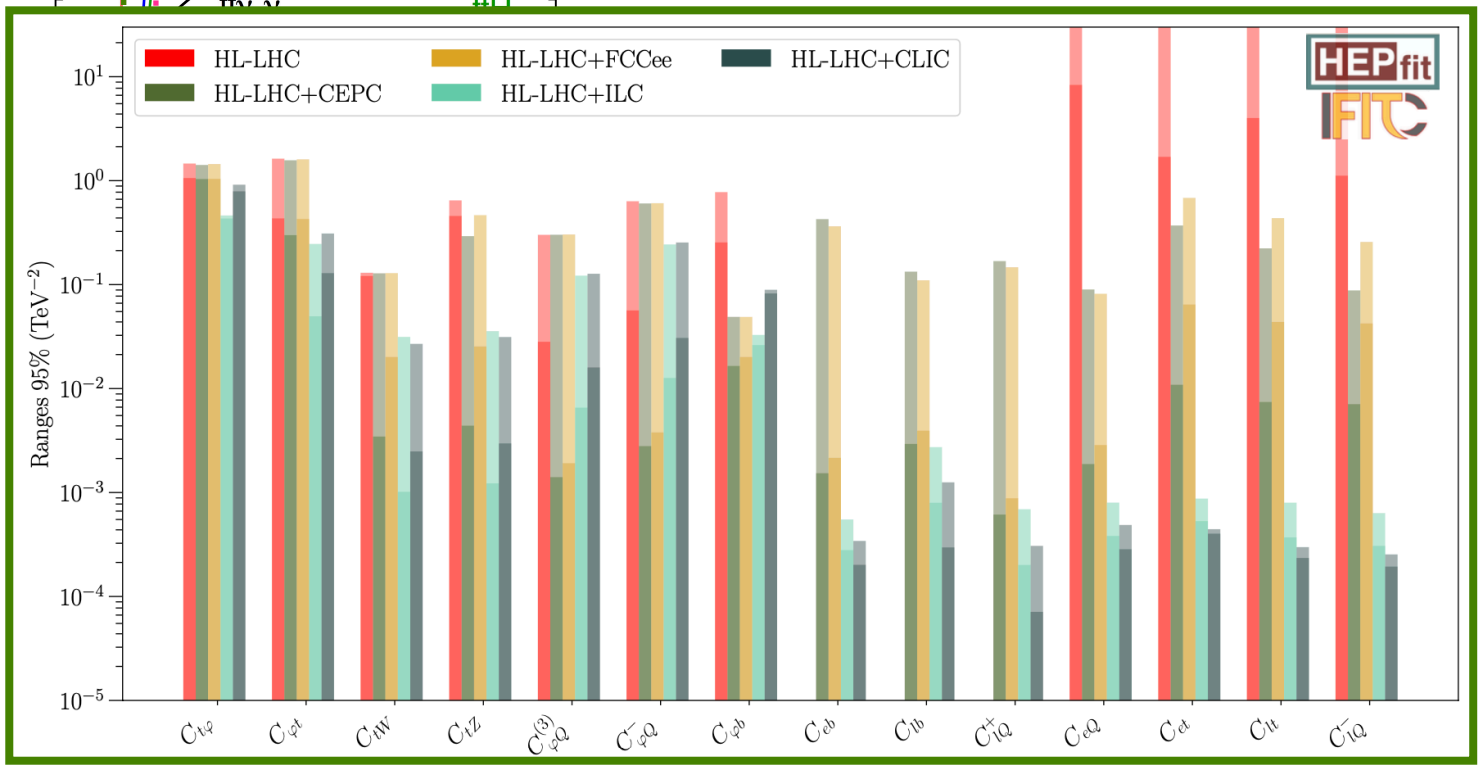

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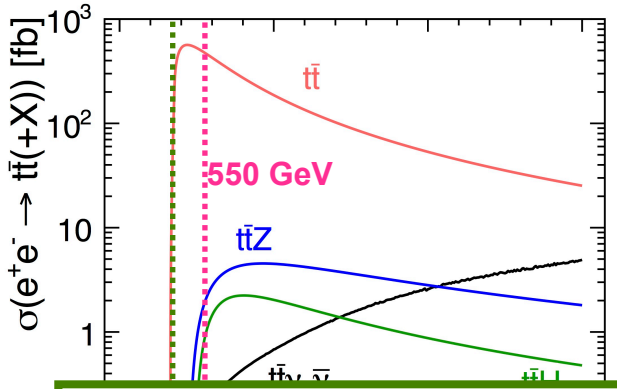

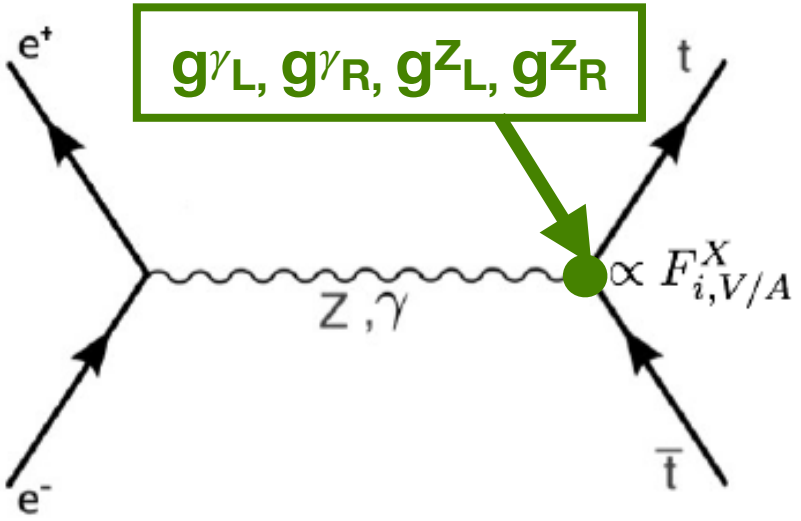

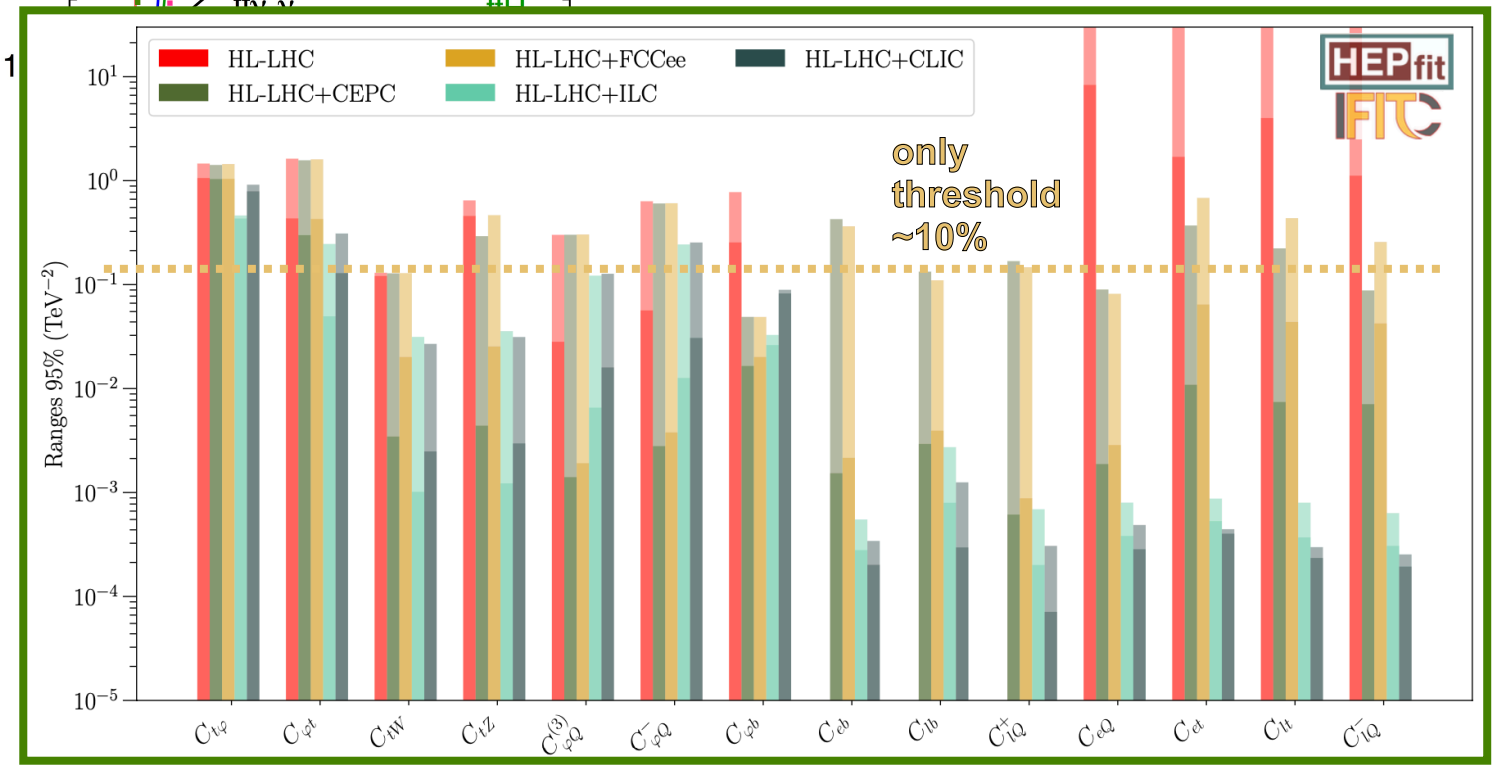

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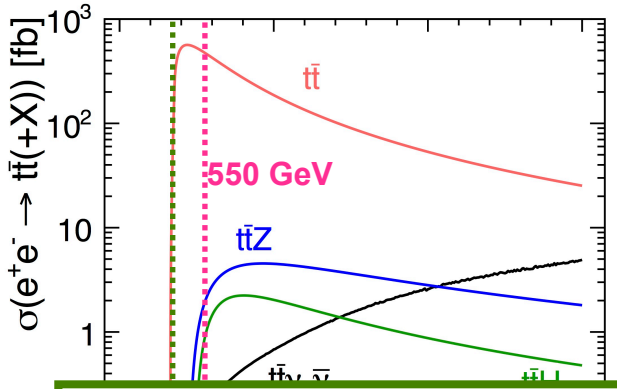

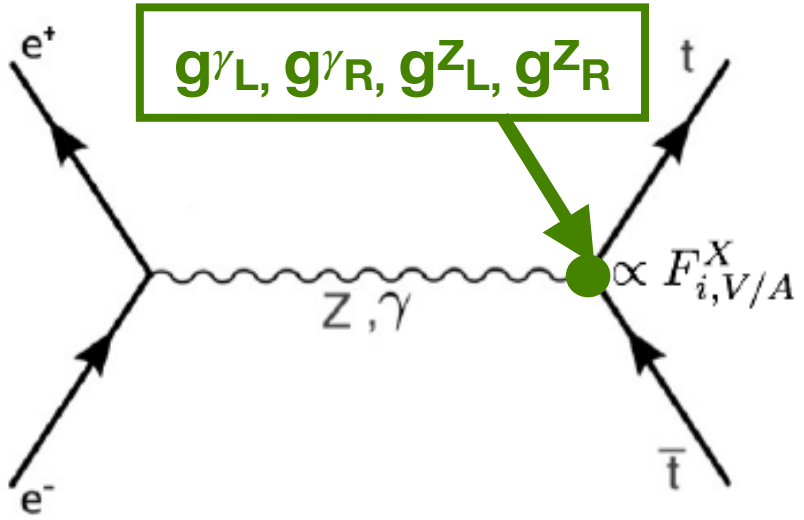

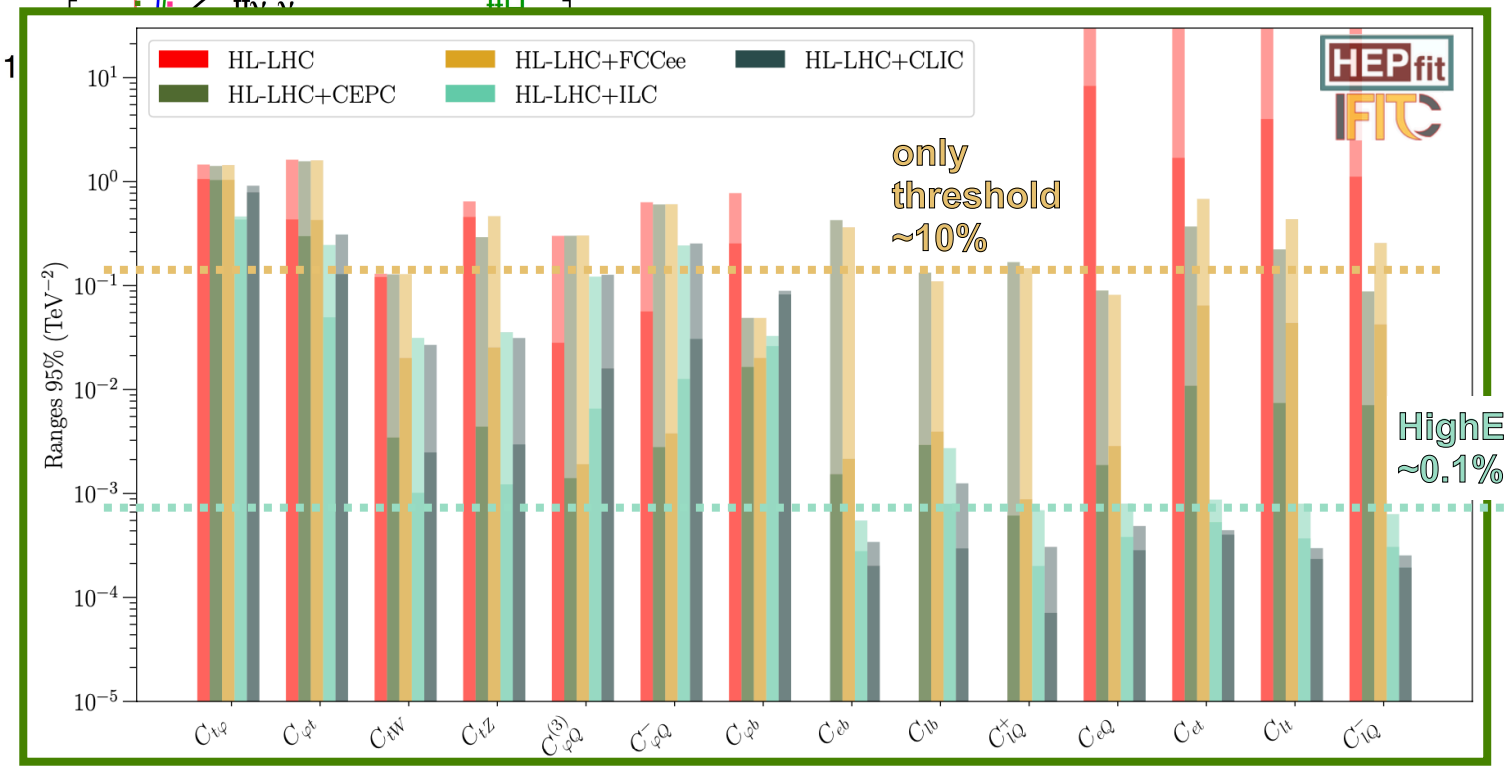

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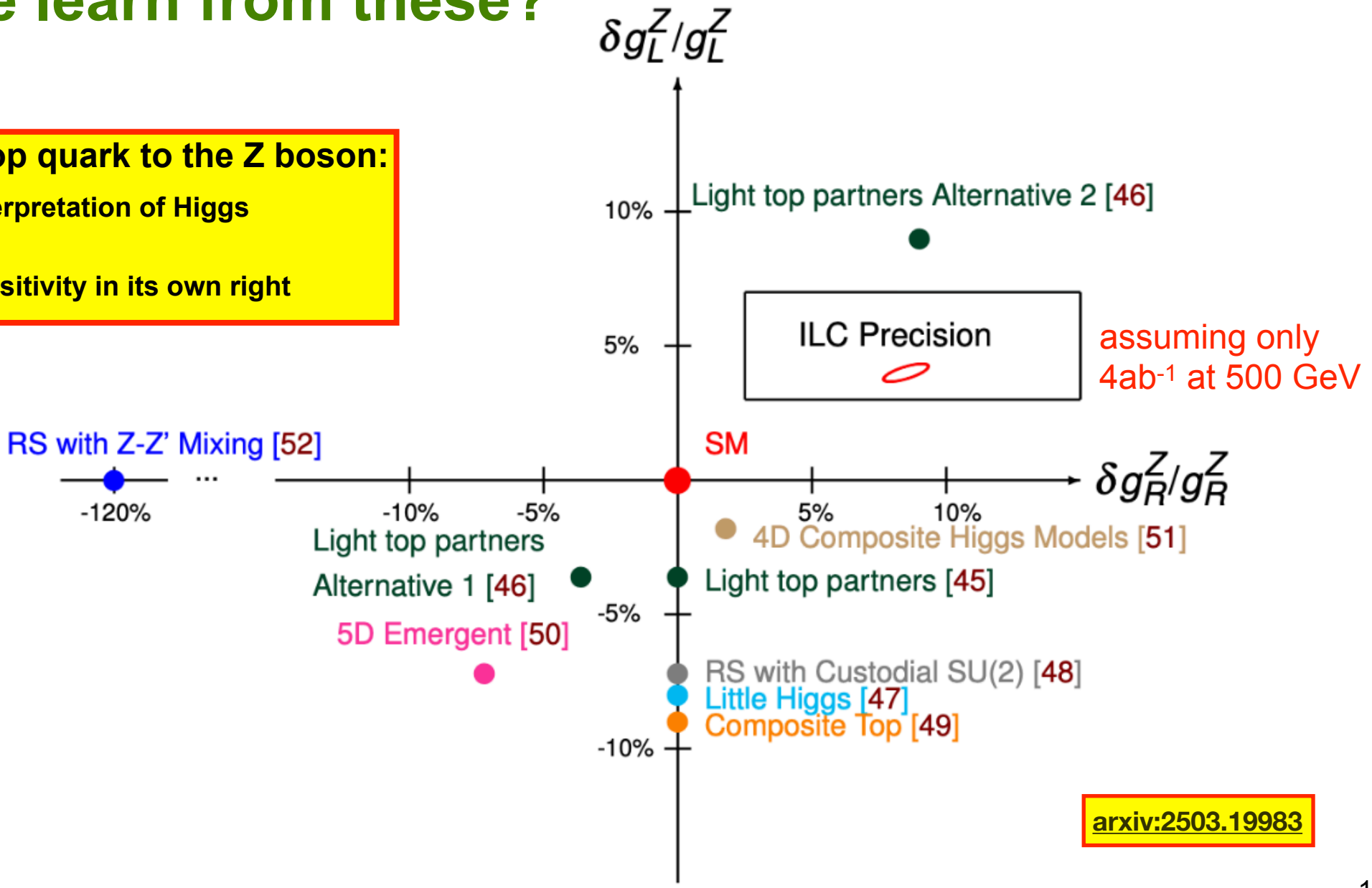

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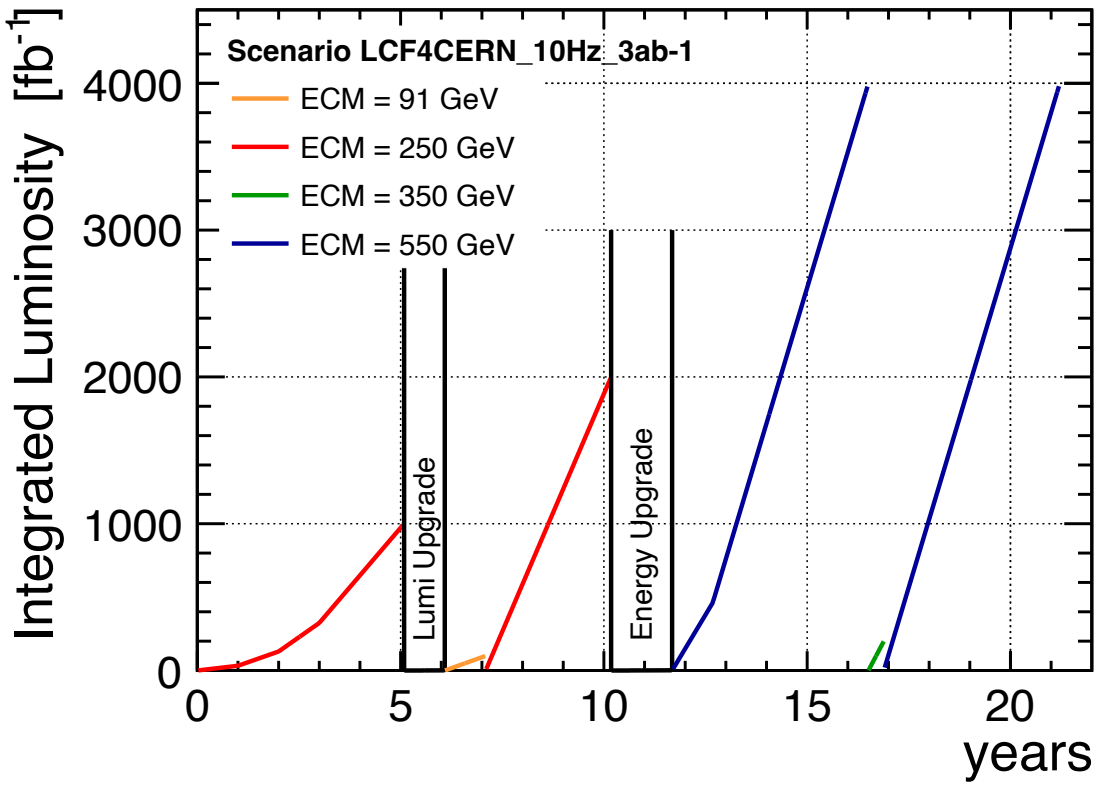

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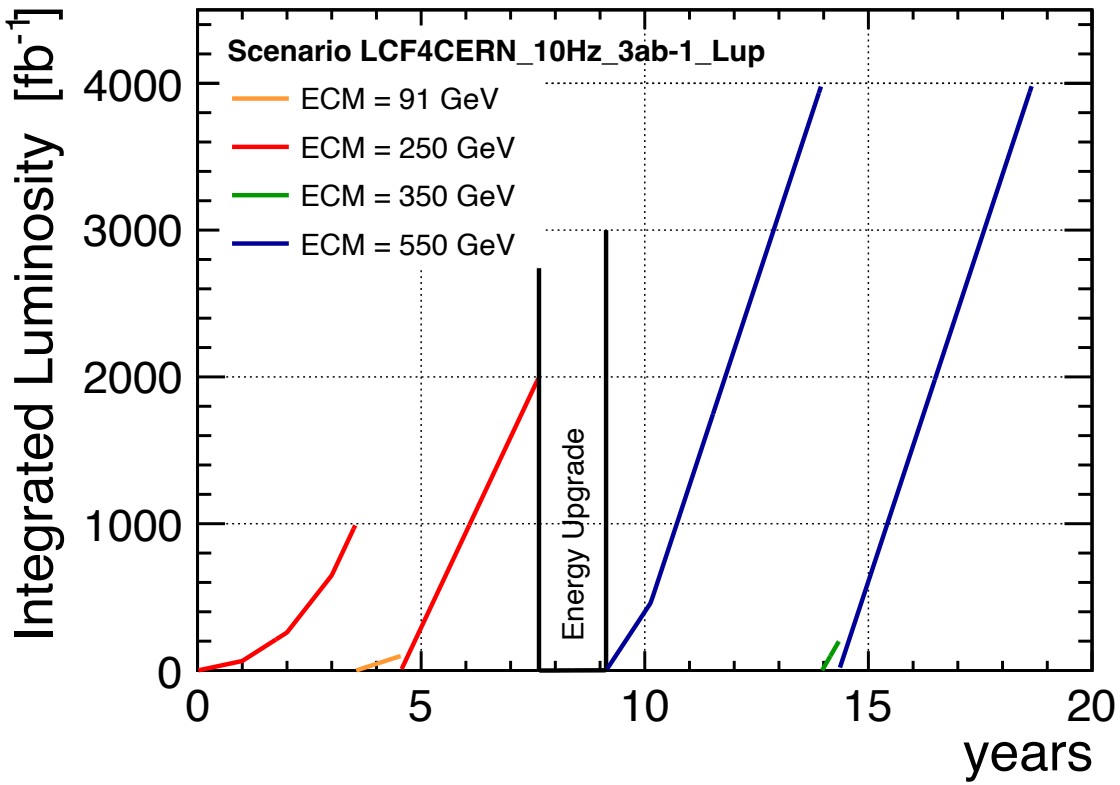

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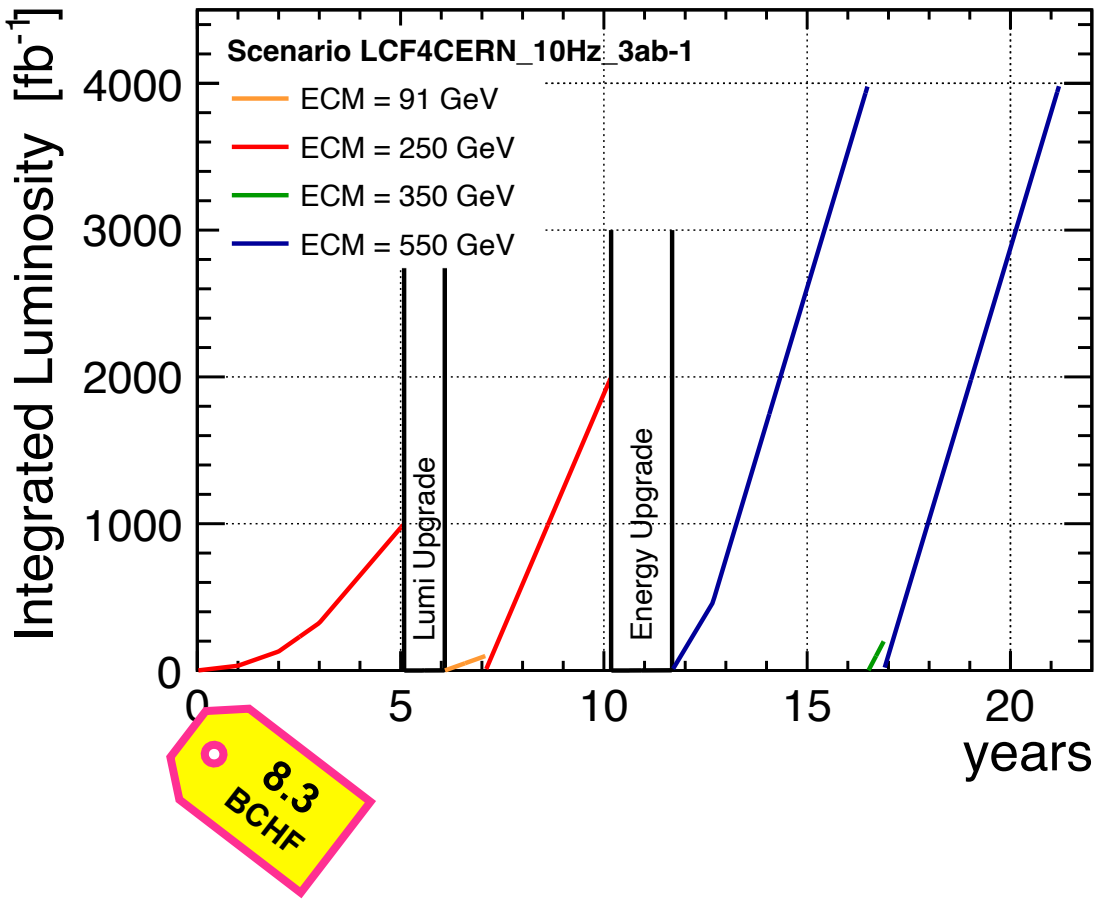

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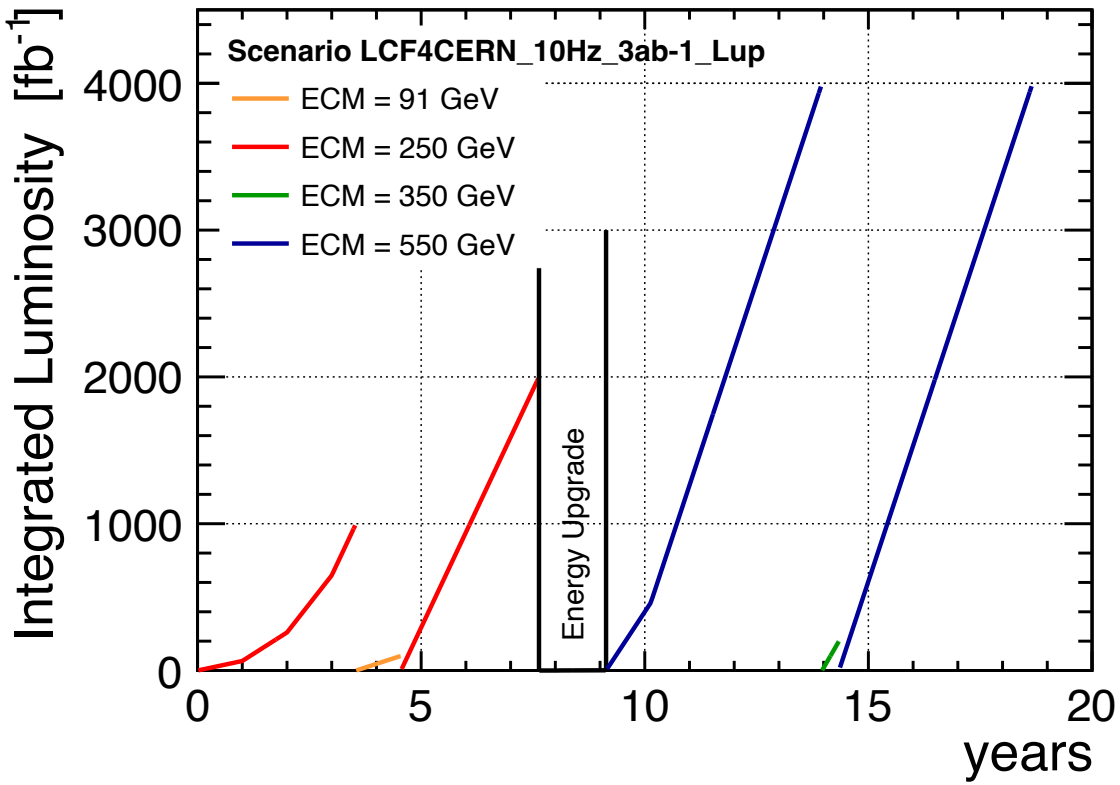

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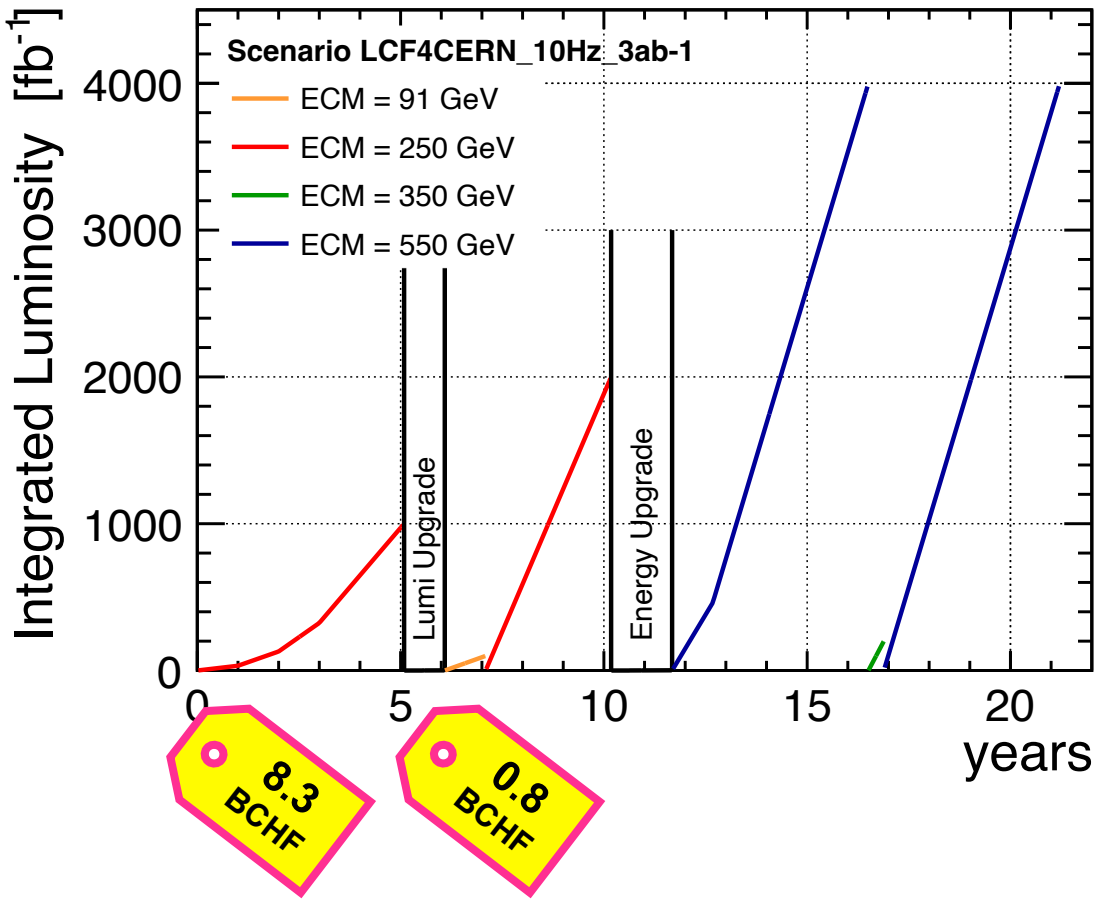

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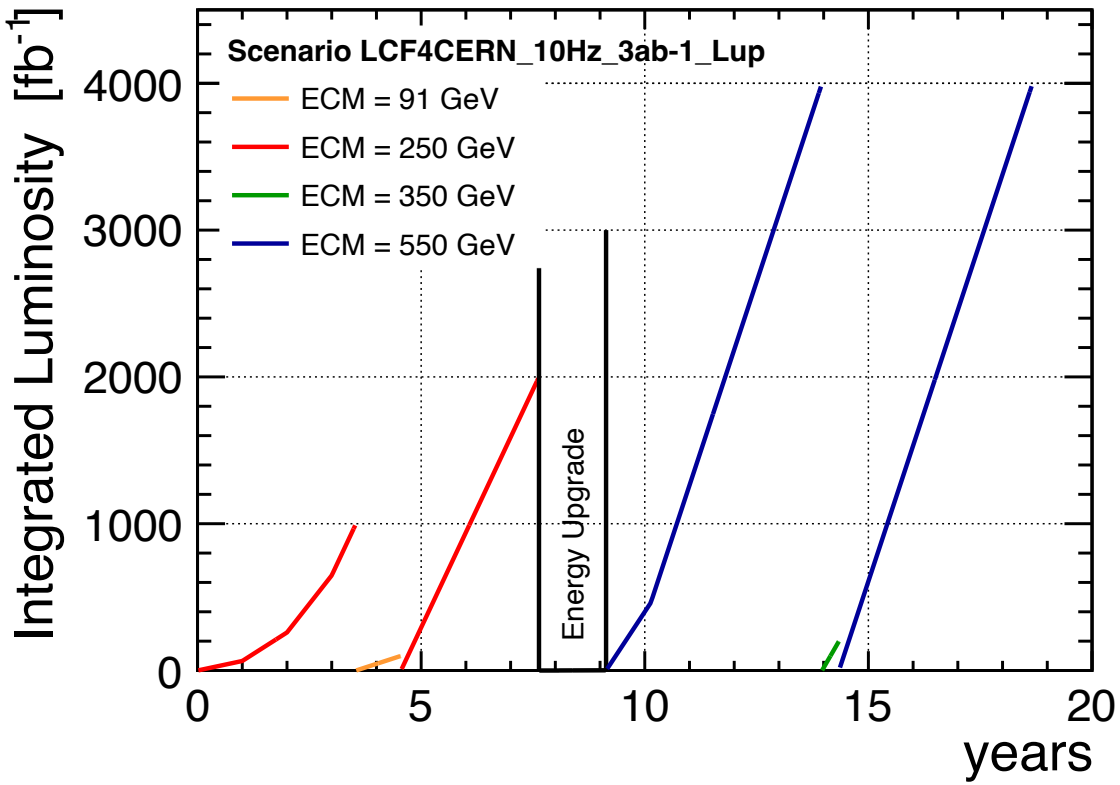

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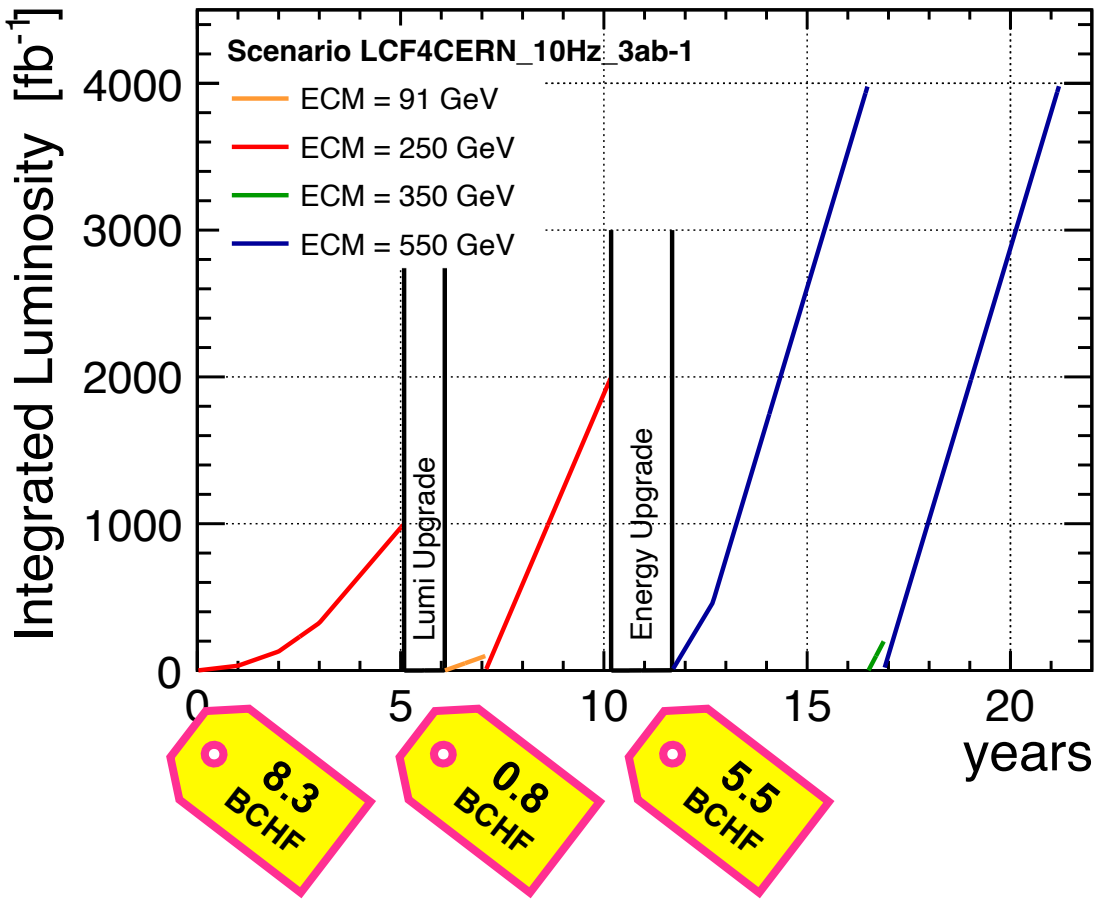

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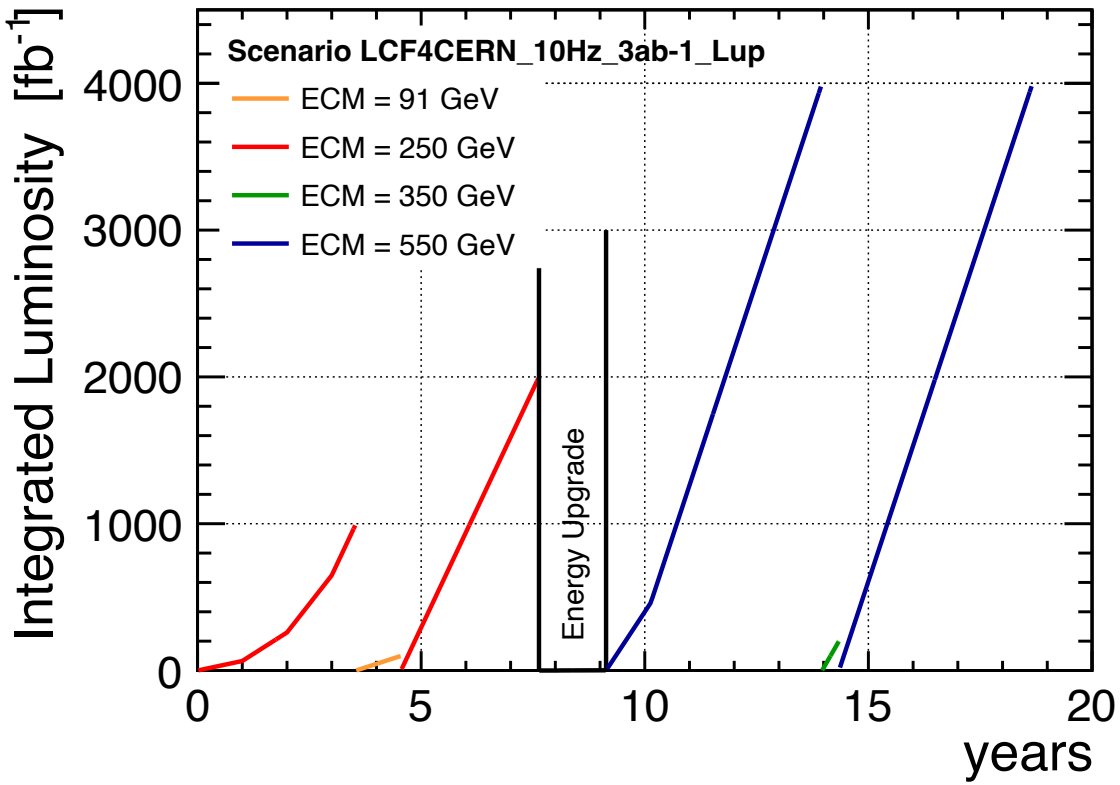

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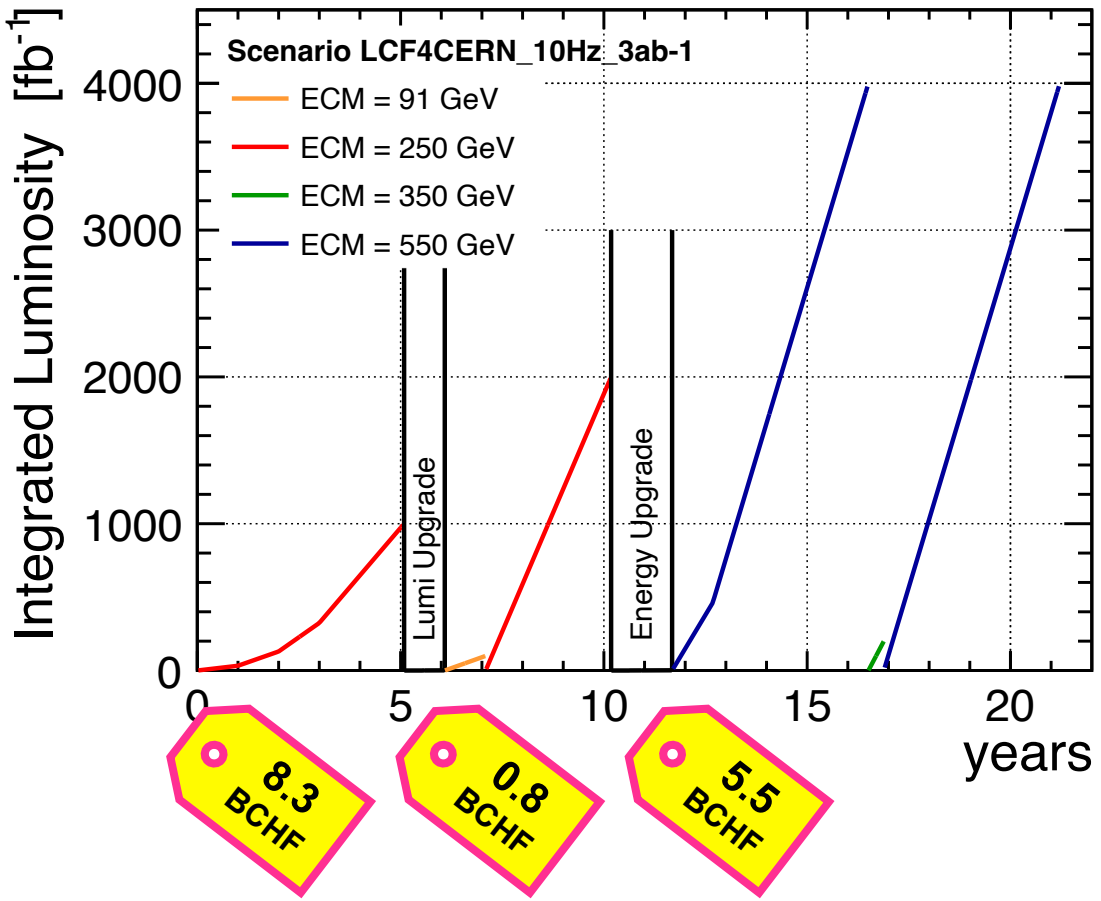

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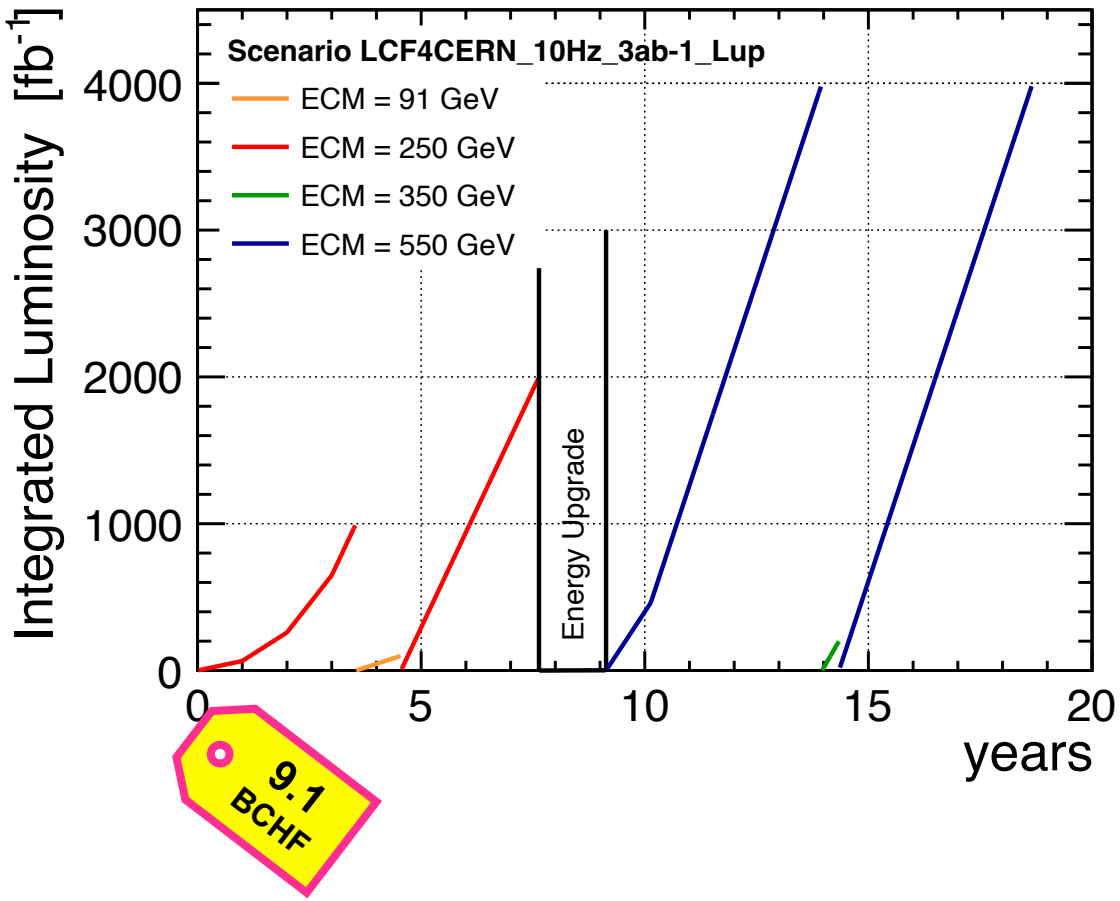

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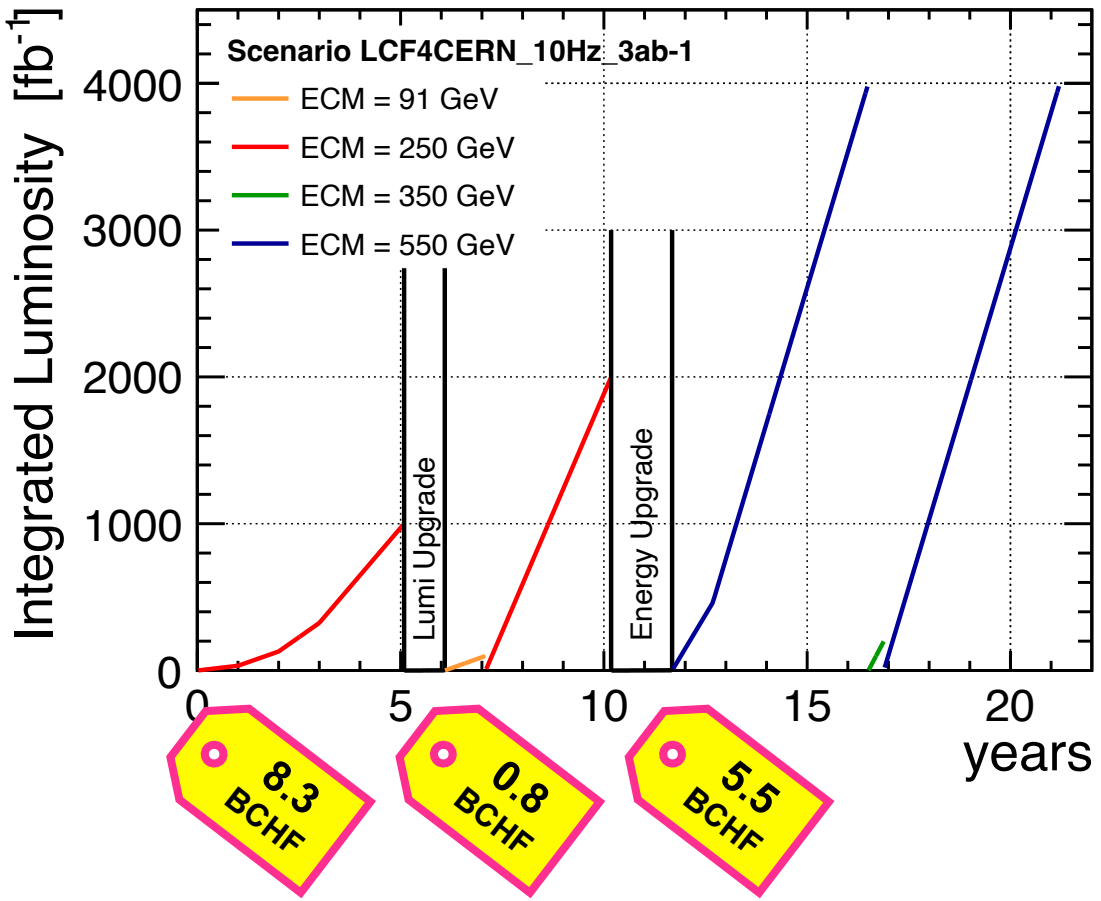

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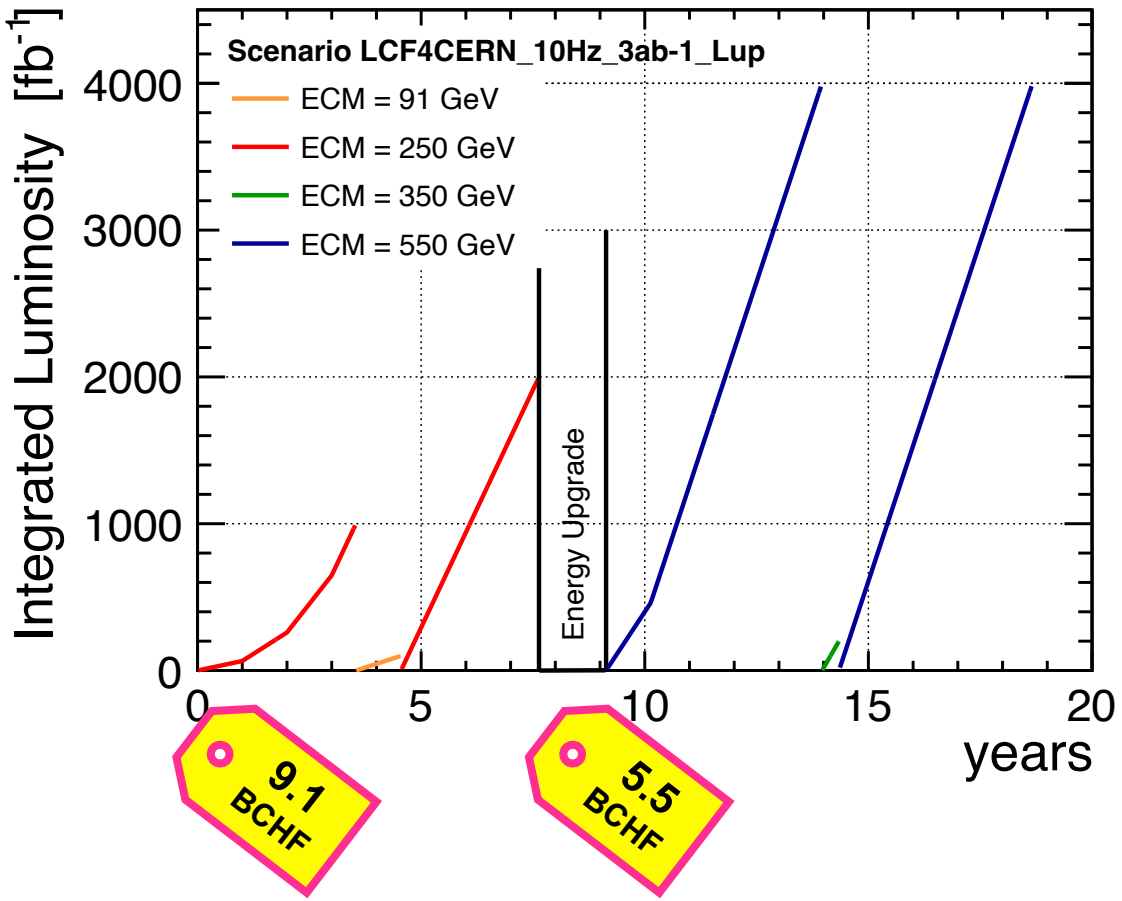

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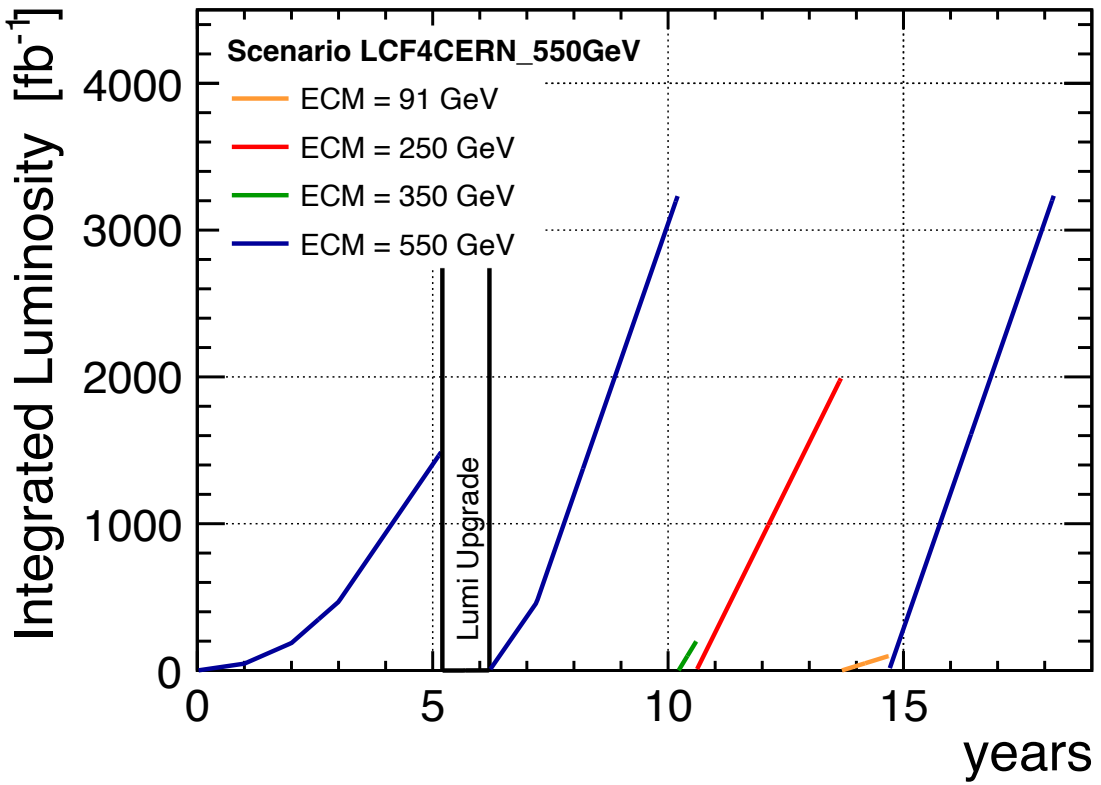

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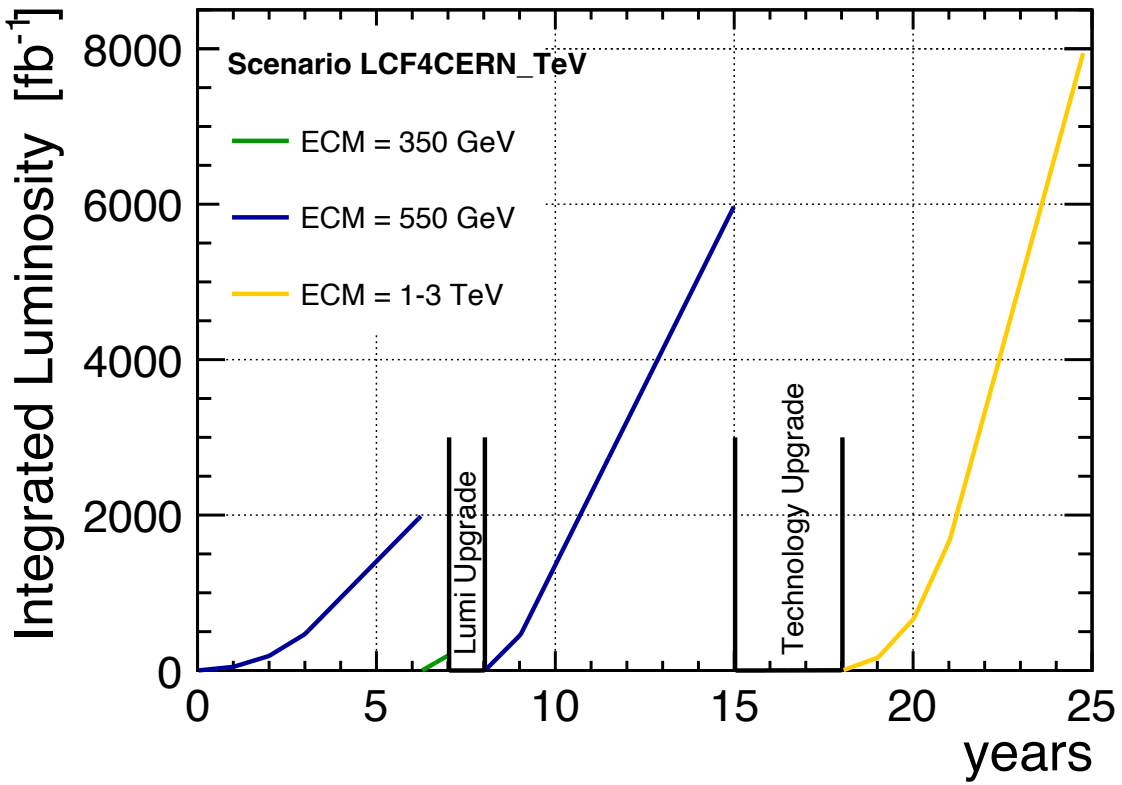

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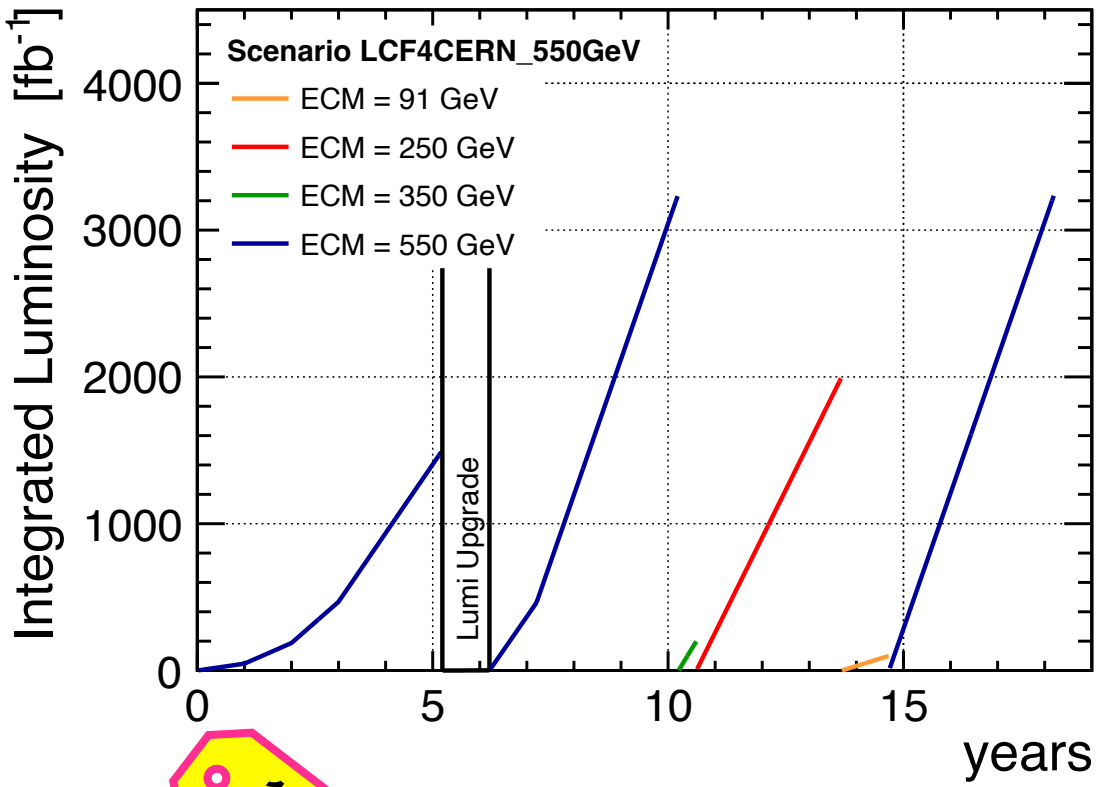

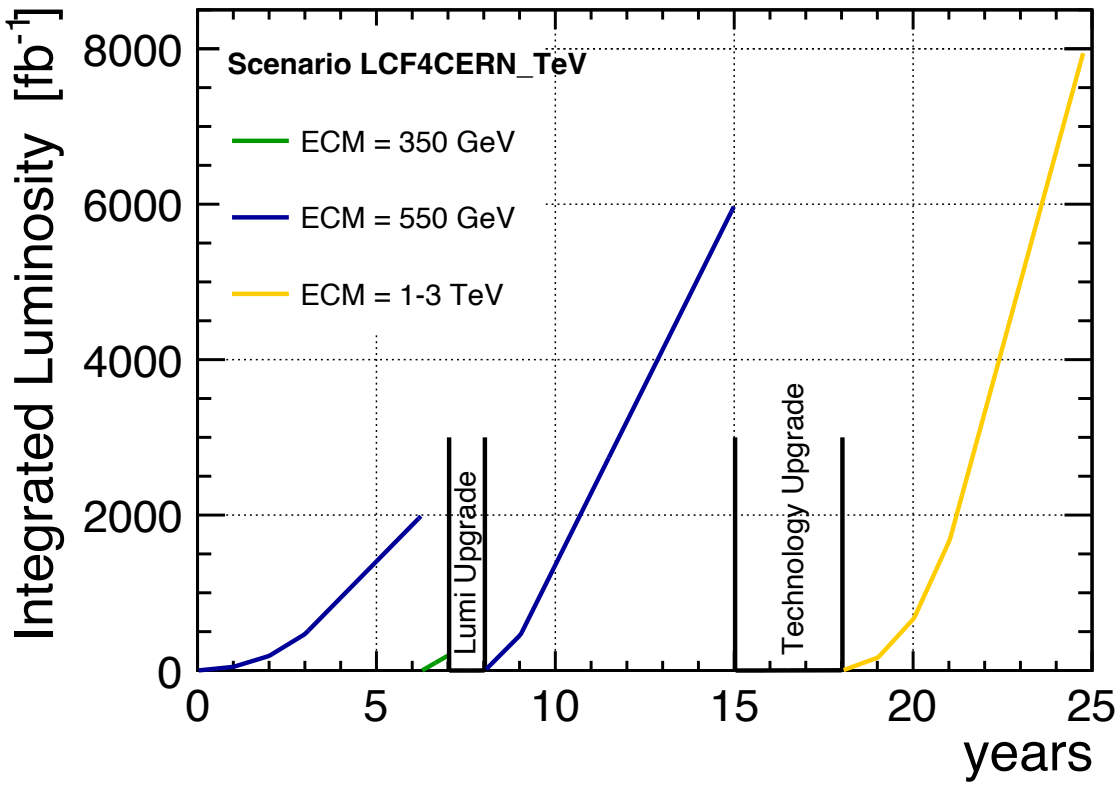

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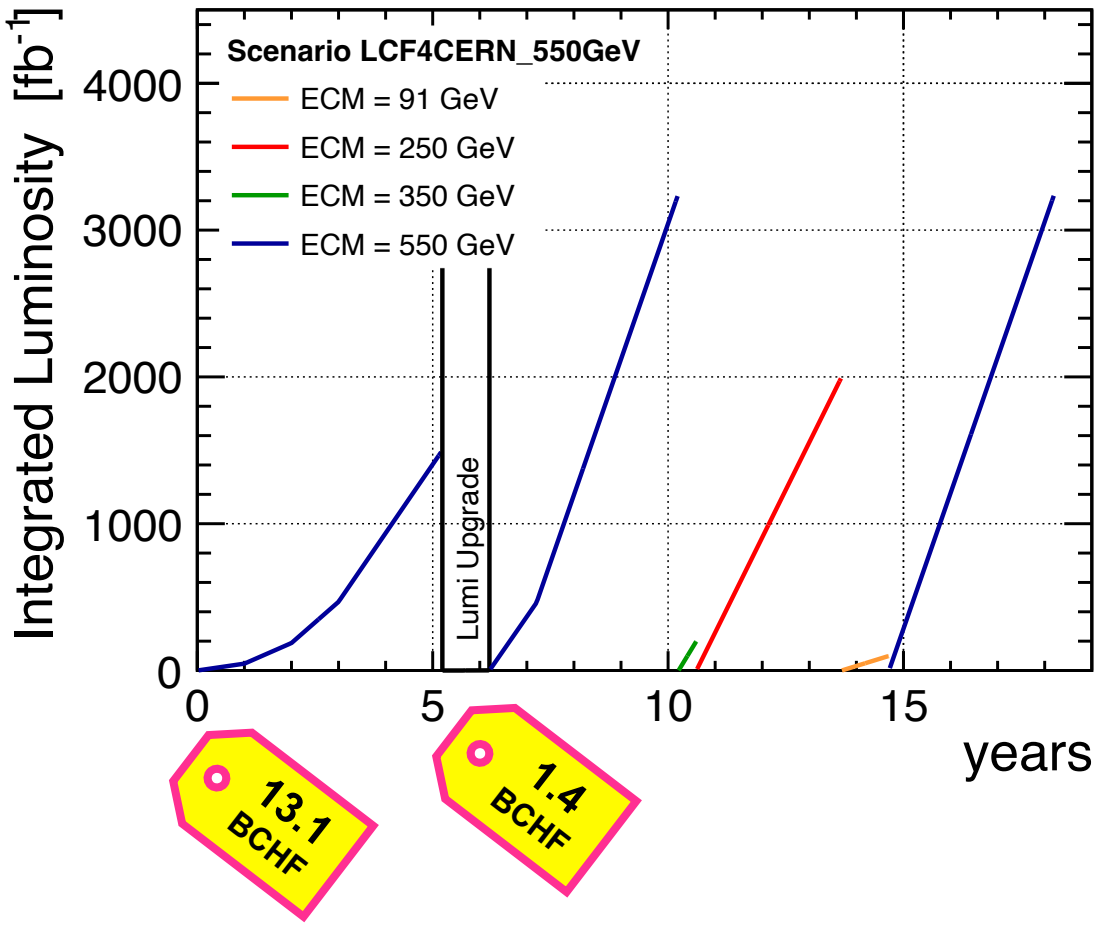

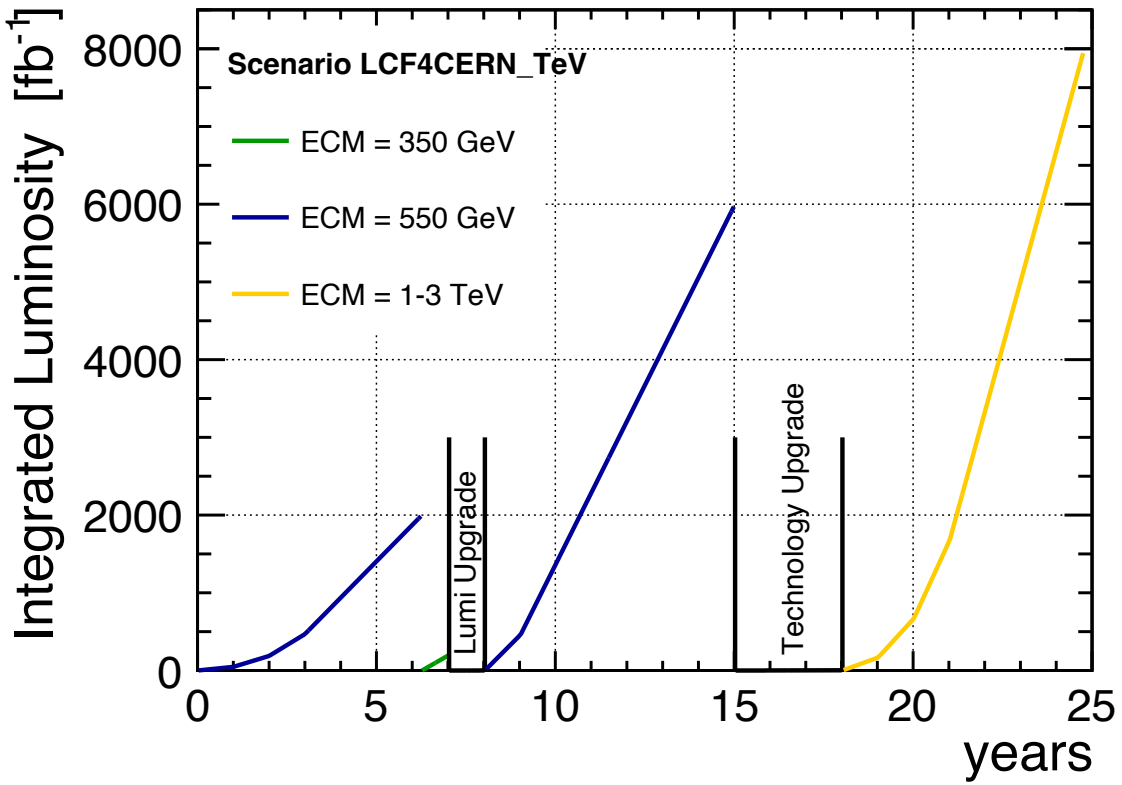

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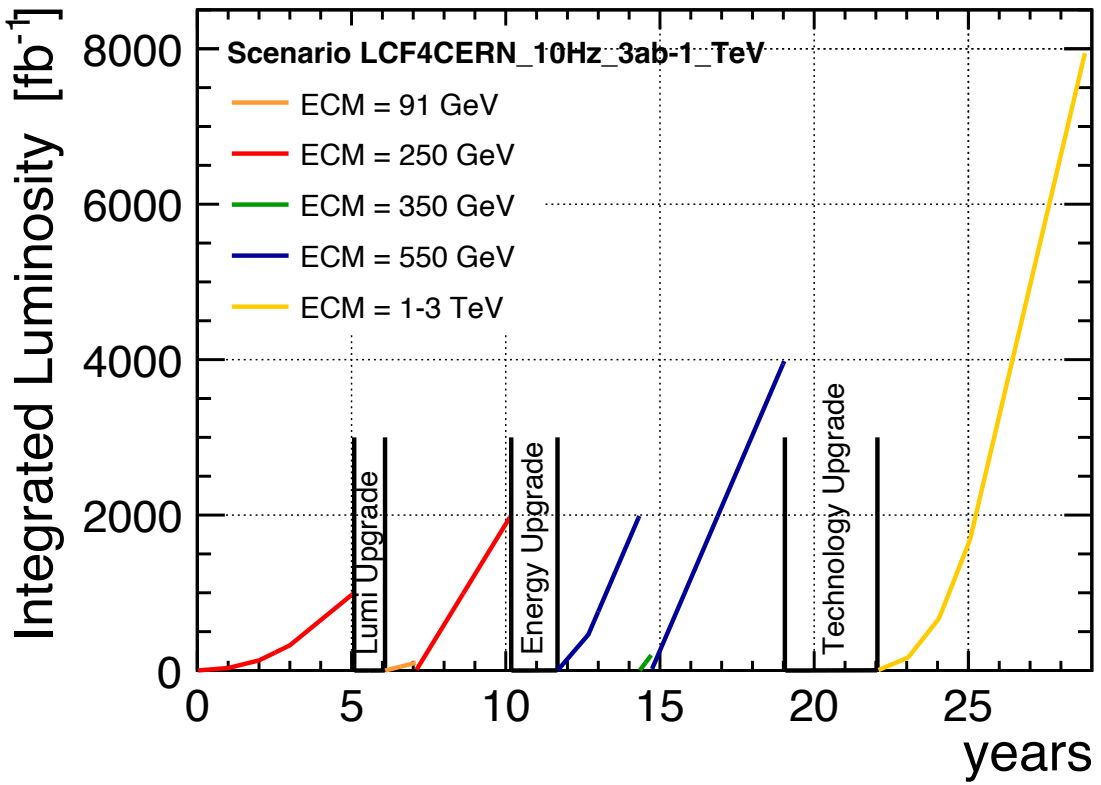

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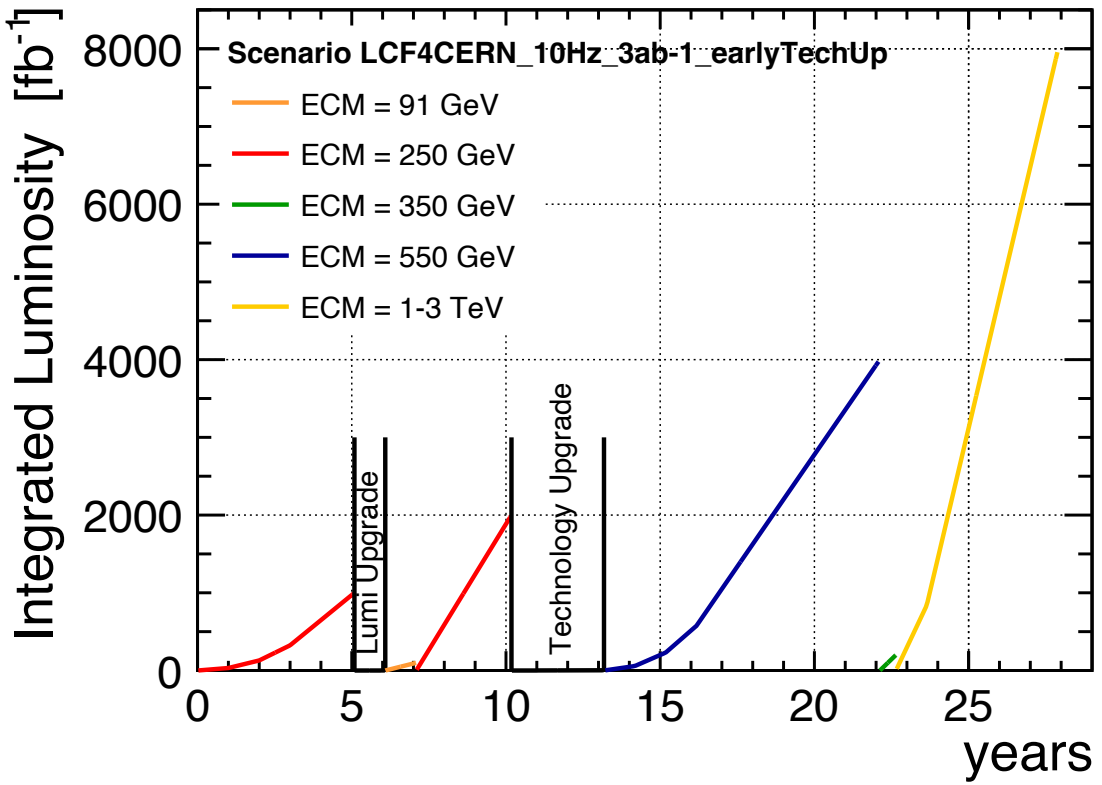

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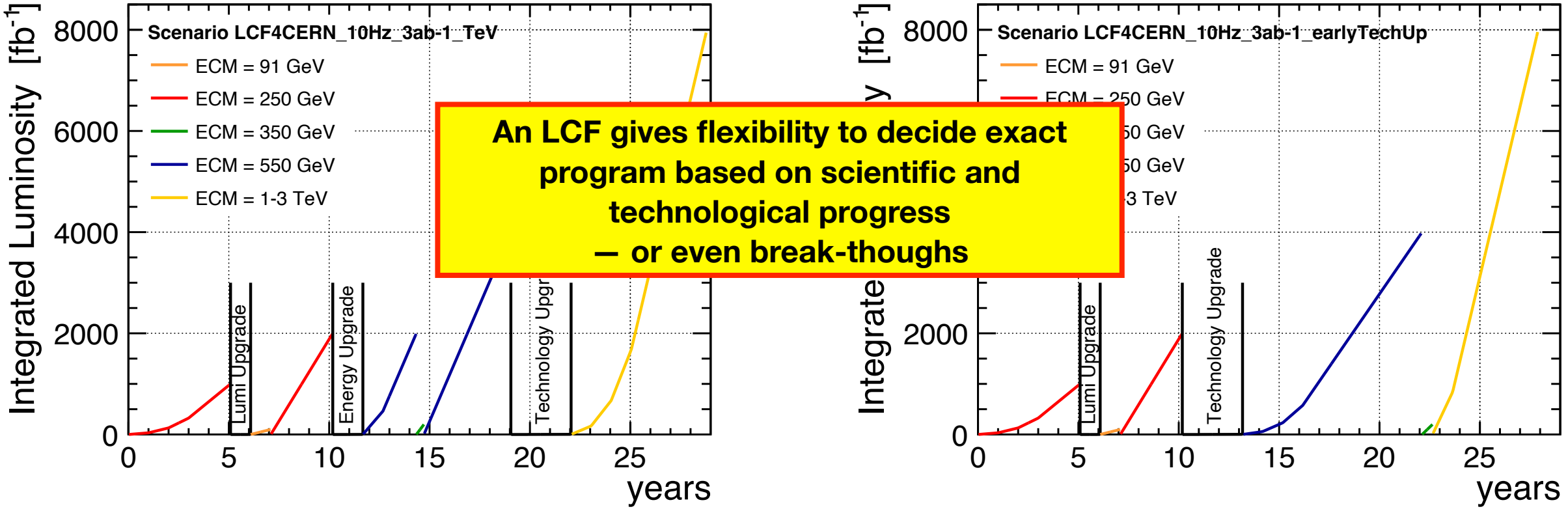

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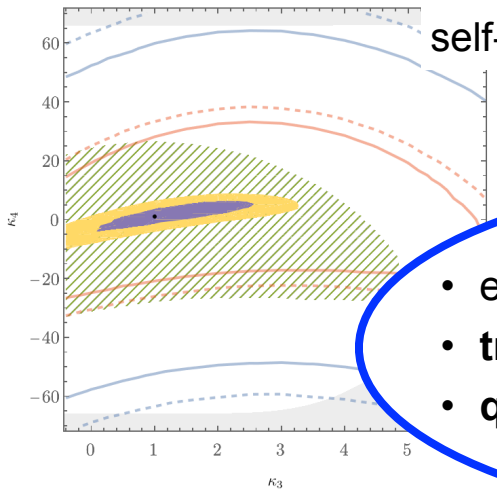
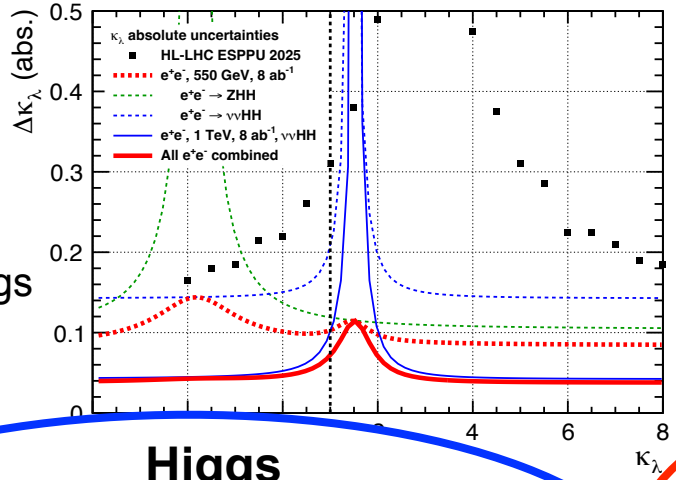
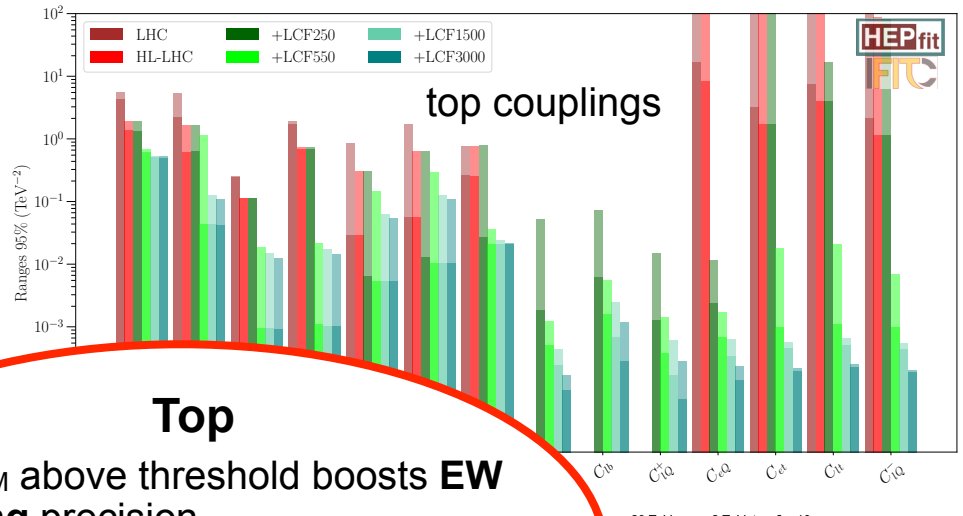




Higgs

- even more single-H
- **trilinear self-coupling** in WW fusion mode
- **quartic self-coupling**



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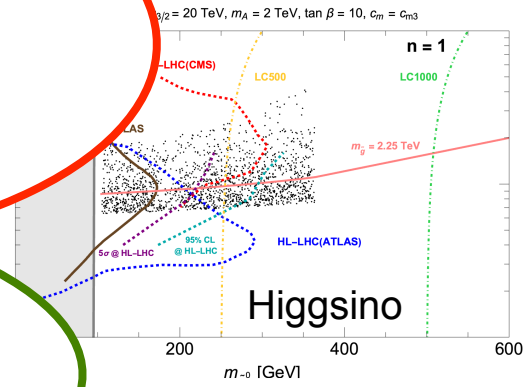

Vector Bosons

- di-bosons & **triple gauge couplings**
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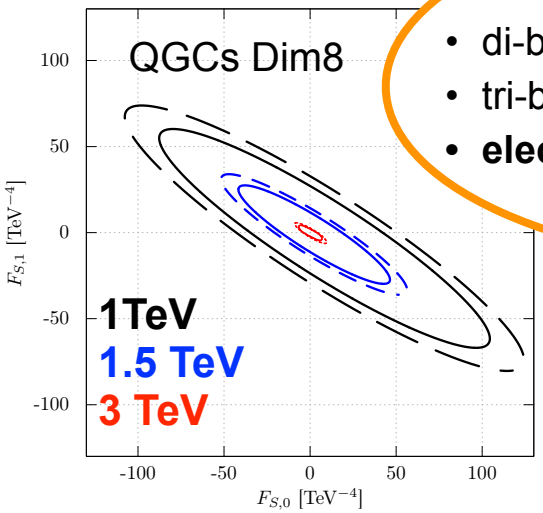
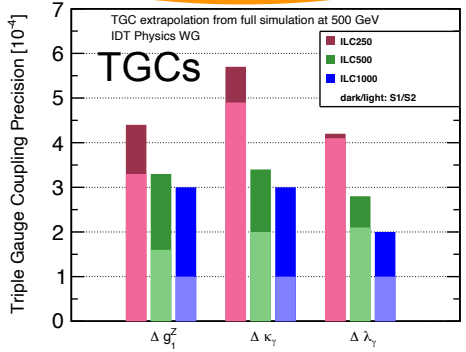
- **electro-weak jets**





Direct New Particles

- **complementary discovery potential:**
  - **electroweak NP**, **WIMPs** etc up to $E_{CM}/2$ ~w/o fine-print
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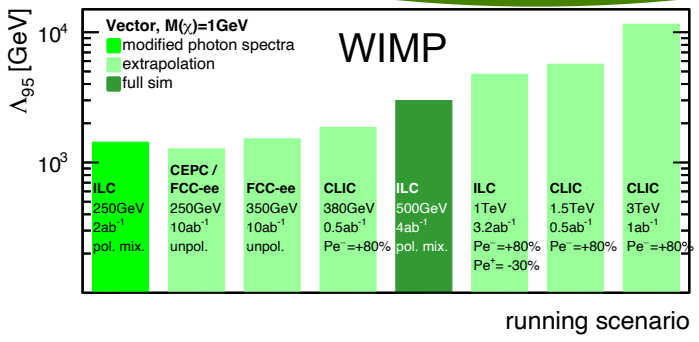
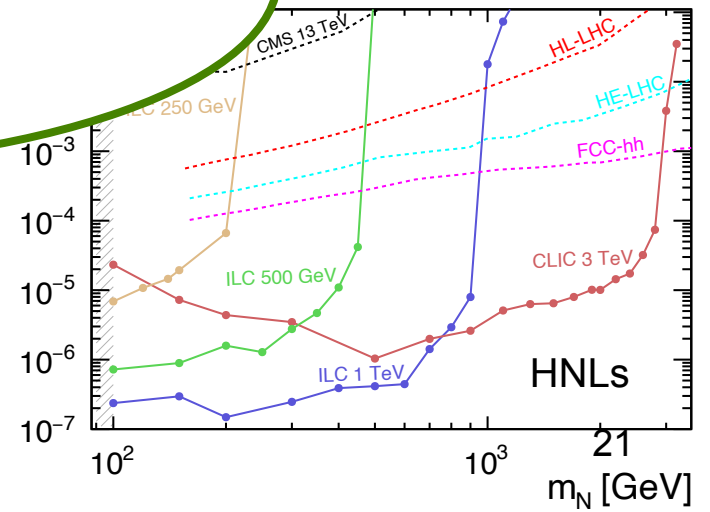
  - additional Higgs bosons
  - …
- follow-up on HL-LHC discoveries!





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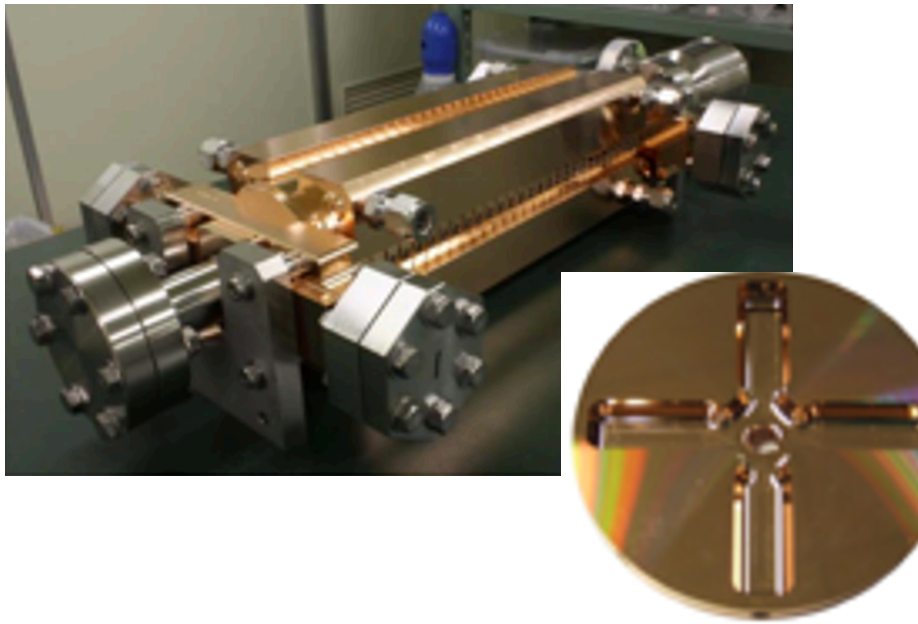

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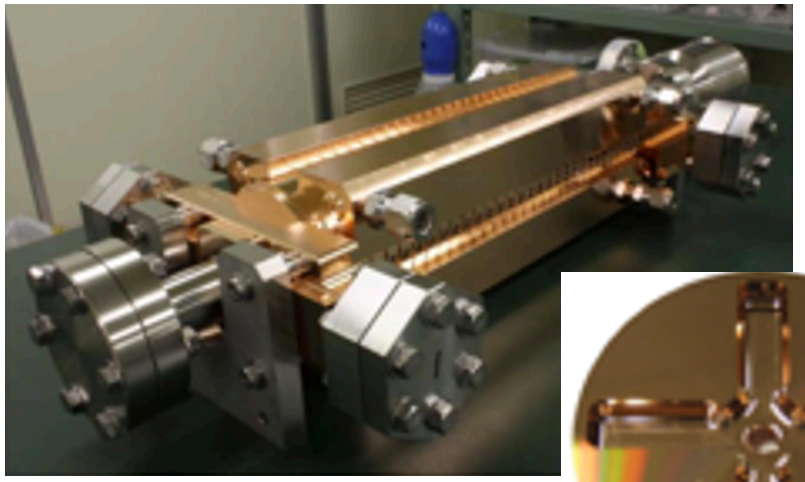

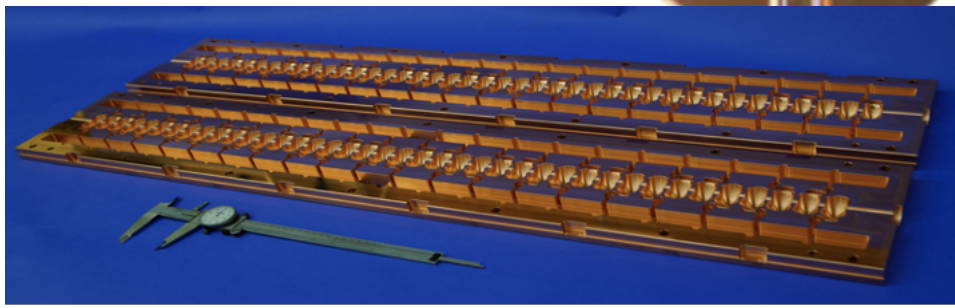

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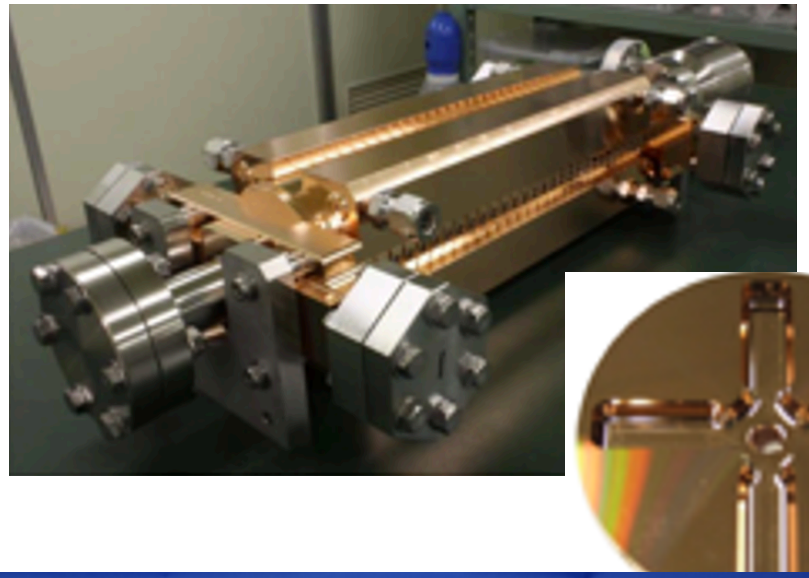

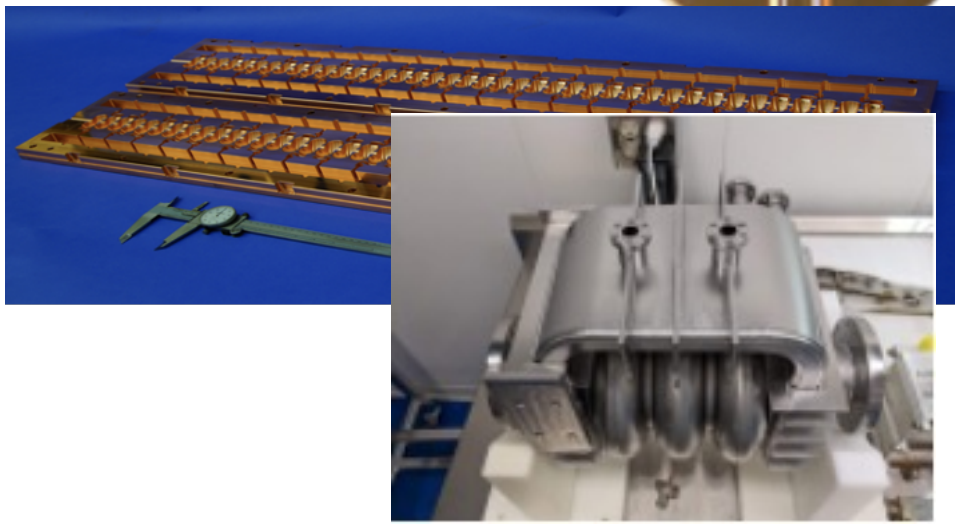

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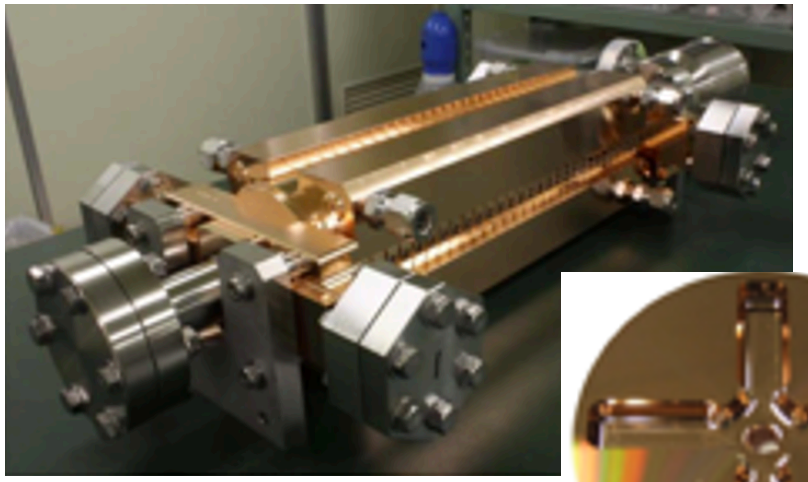

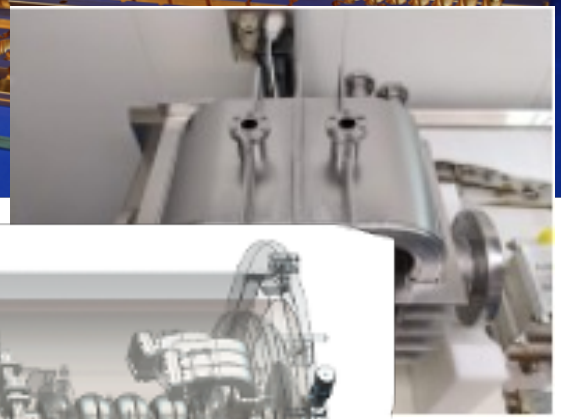

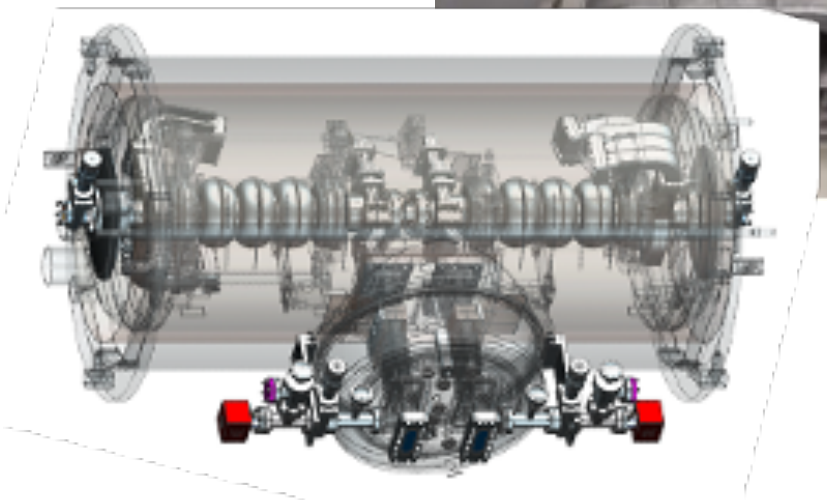

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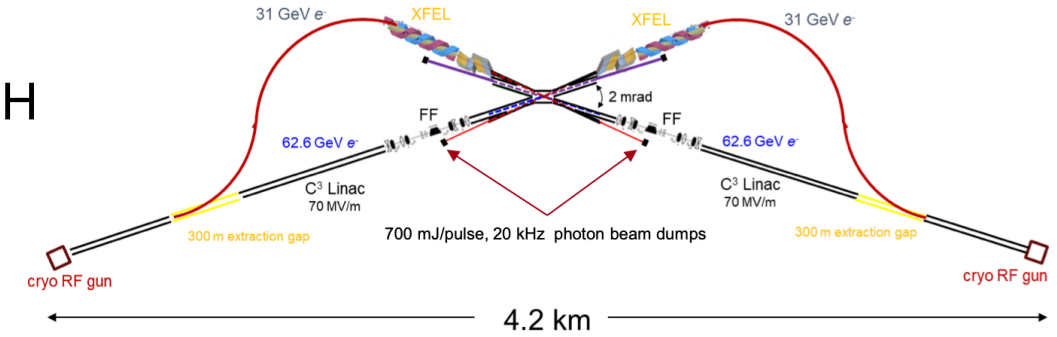

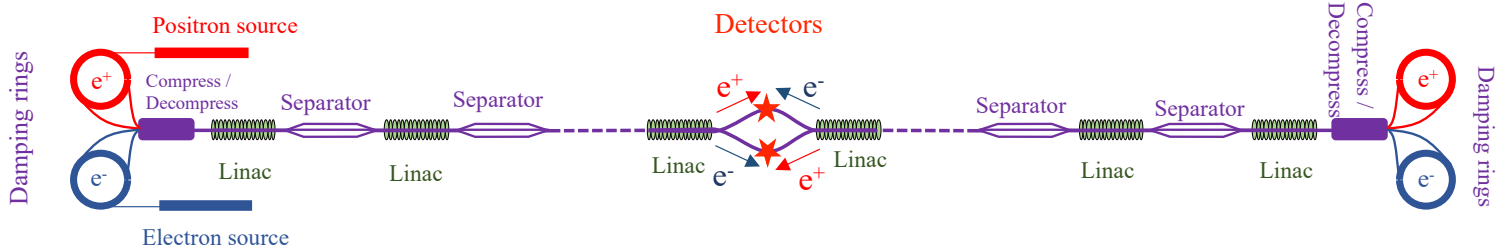

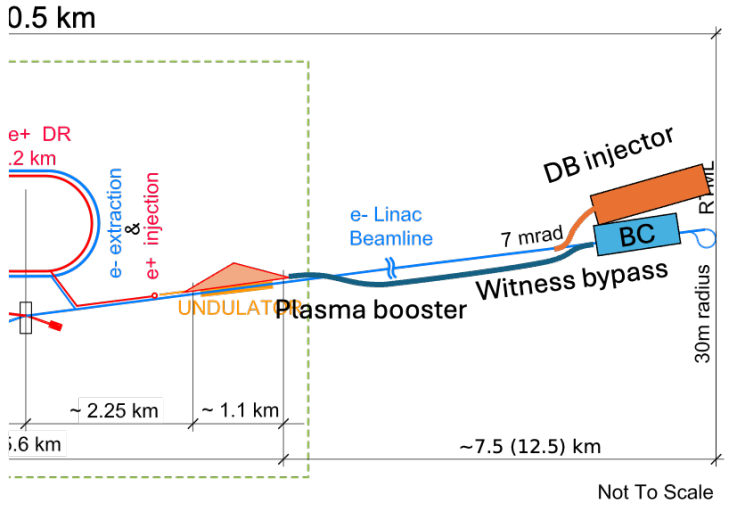

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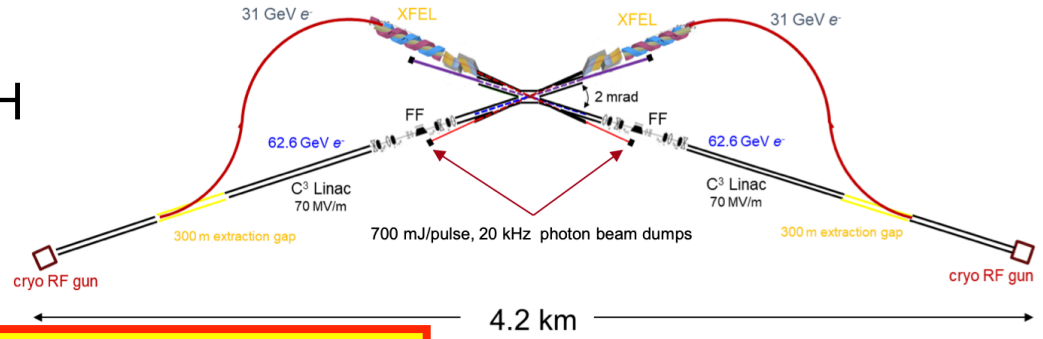

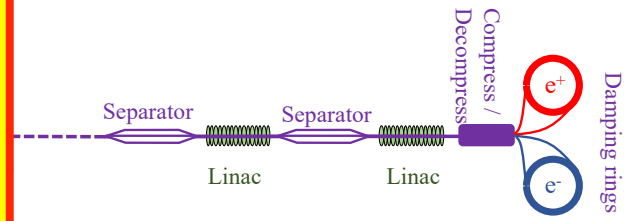

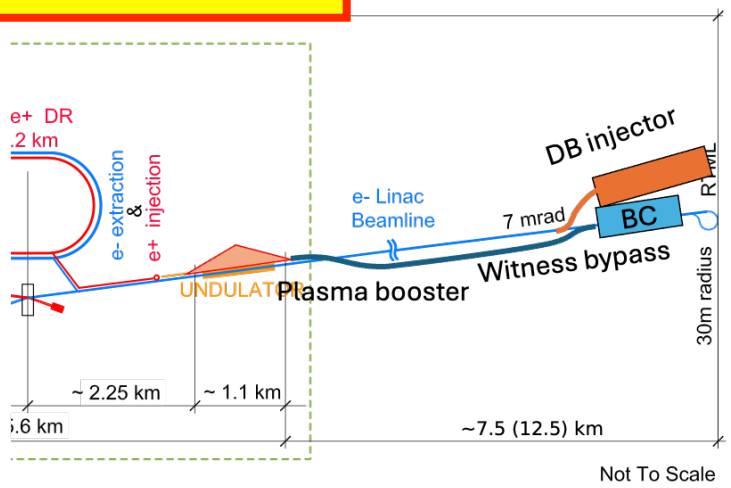

The Linear Collider Facility @ CERN and beyond

General considerations

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  - costs (construction and operation), CFS design, environmental impact etc assessed in a consistent way between all projects proposed for CERN
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- **Timing is important:**
  - current young researchers are key to both the HL-LHC program and the future Higgs factory
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  - clear and timely transition from HL-LHC to next collider will provide long-term research opportunities
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  - eventually, we need to explore the 10-TeV pCoM energy scale
  - we don't have an affordable technology today
  - all routes (pp = HFM; $\mu\mu$ = cooling; ee/$\gamma\gamma$ = PWA) need expensive R&D and demonstrators
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- a **Linear Collider has decisive physics advantages: polarisation & high-energy reach**
  - required to do the full Higgs and Top program
  - with sufficient redundancies and complementarities to truely enable discovery via precision measurements
  - supports **flexible upgrades with advanced accelerator technologies**
- a well-understood technology and a staged approach allows a fast start
- stays affordable, in parallel to HL-LHC, SuperKEKB, smaller experiments - and R&D towards the 10-TeV pCoM scale
- the ESPPU is discussing the preferred flagship collider projects for CERN
- **LCVision team**
  - **contributed the physics and technology case for Linear Colliders in general**
  - **and proposed a Linear Collider Facility @ CERN as the next flagship project**

Invitation to participate in LCVision

What you can do

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- **sign up on supporter list for the LCVision documents:**
  - either following link on https://agenda.linearcollider.org/event/10624/program
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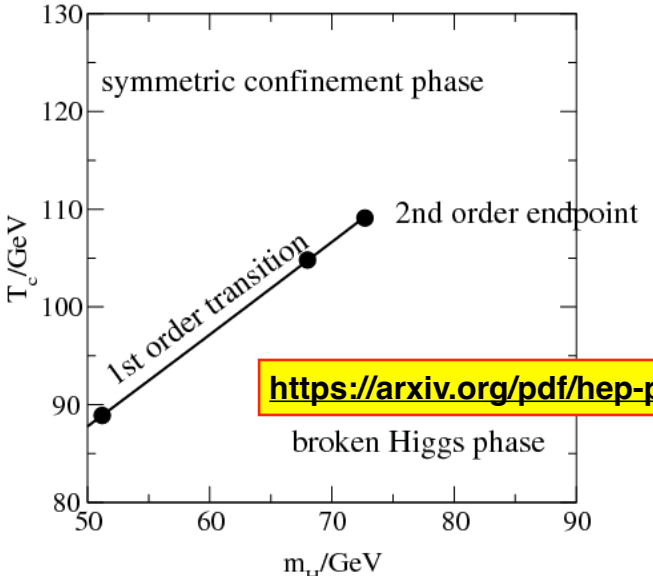

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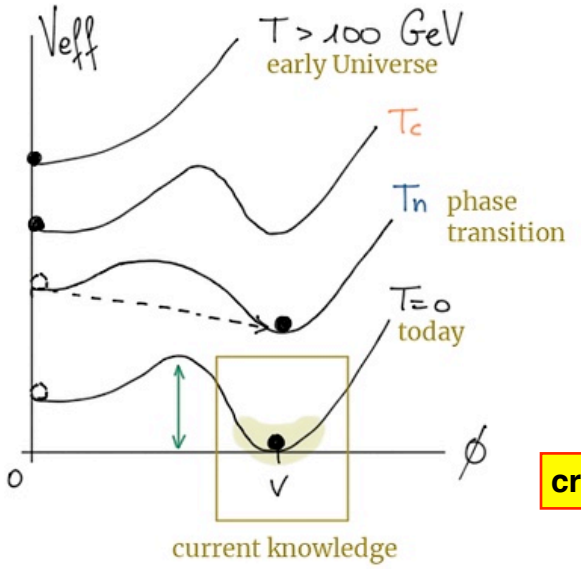

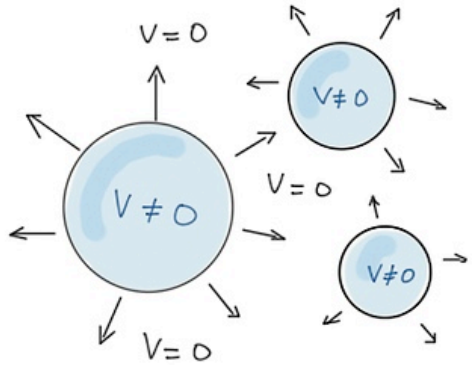

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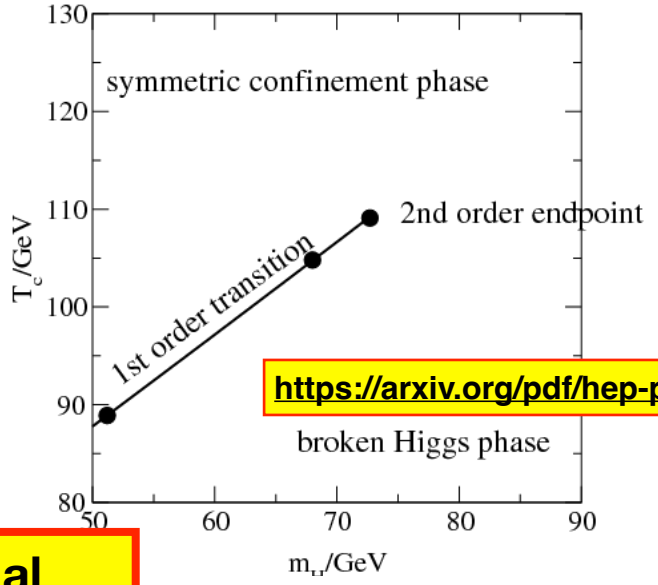

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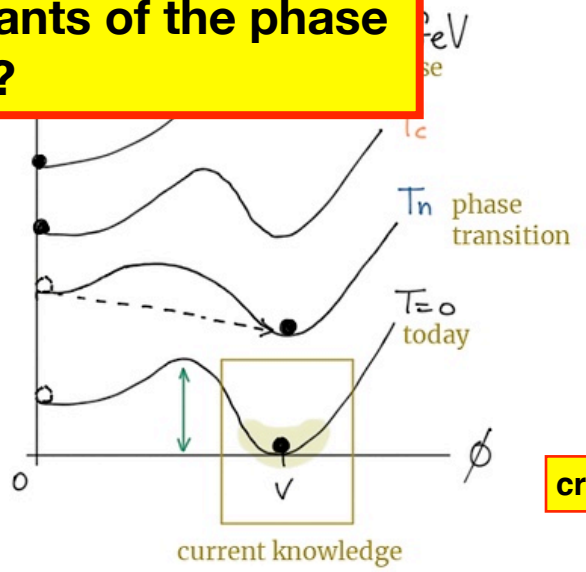

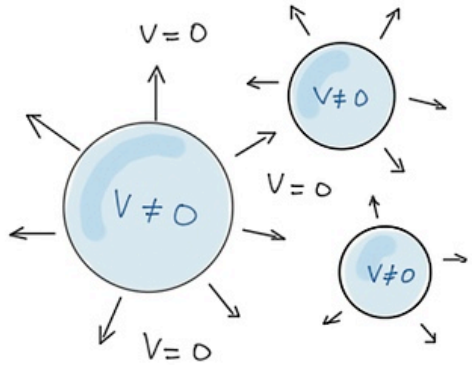

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Higgs potential in extended Higgs Sectors

"Maxican hat" turns into complex landscape

- more Higgs fields => much more complex potential "landscape" (even at zero-temperature)
- extra Higgs bosons
- several triple-Higgs couplings among them
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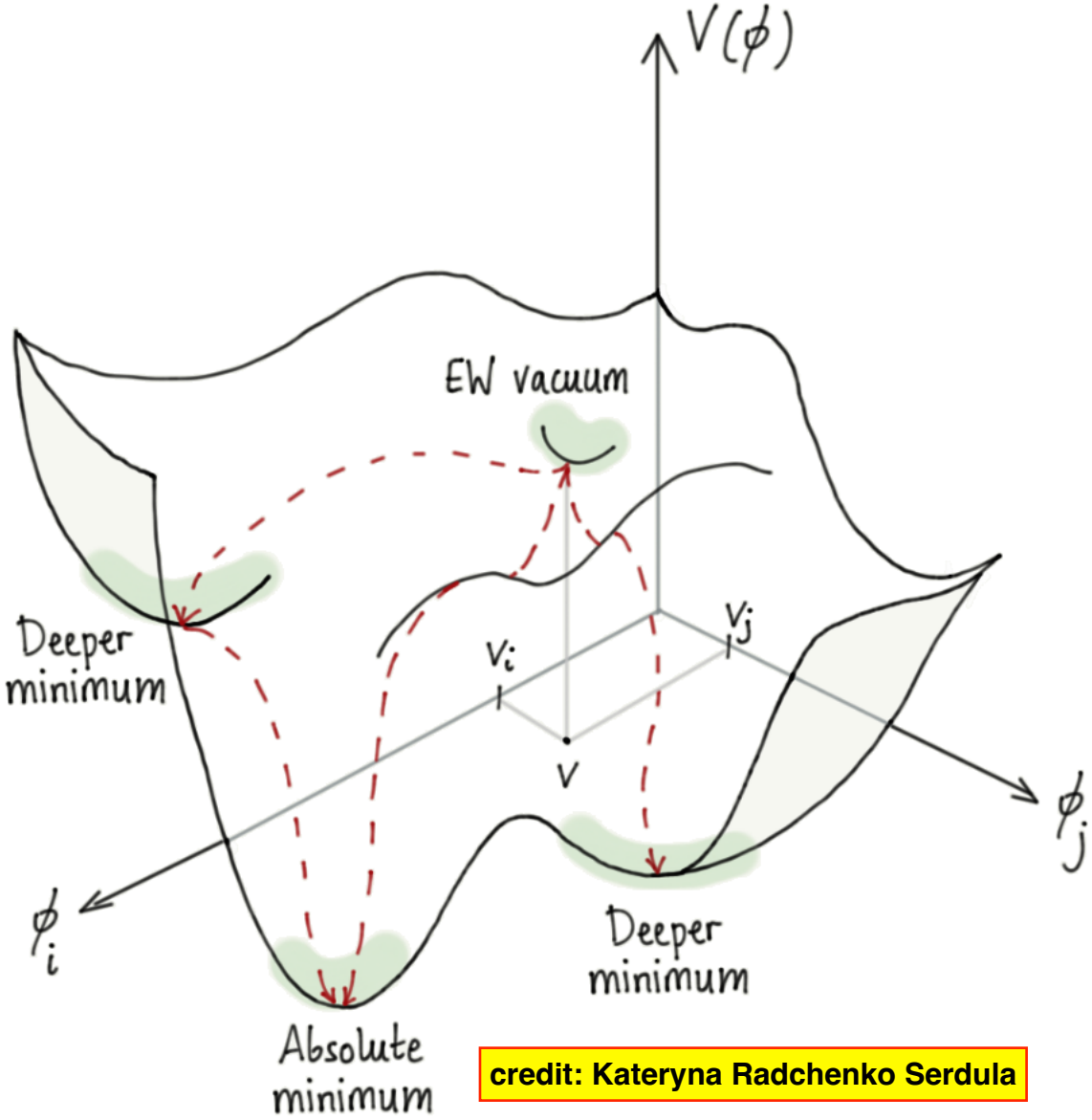

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Higgs potential in extended Higgs Sectors

"Maxican hat" turns into complex landscape

- more Higgs fields => much more complex potential "landscape" (even at zero-temperature)
- extra Higgs bosons
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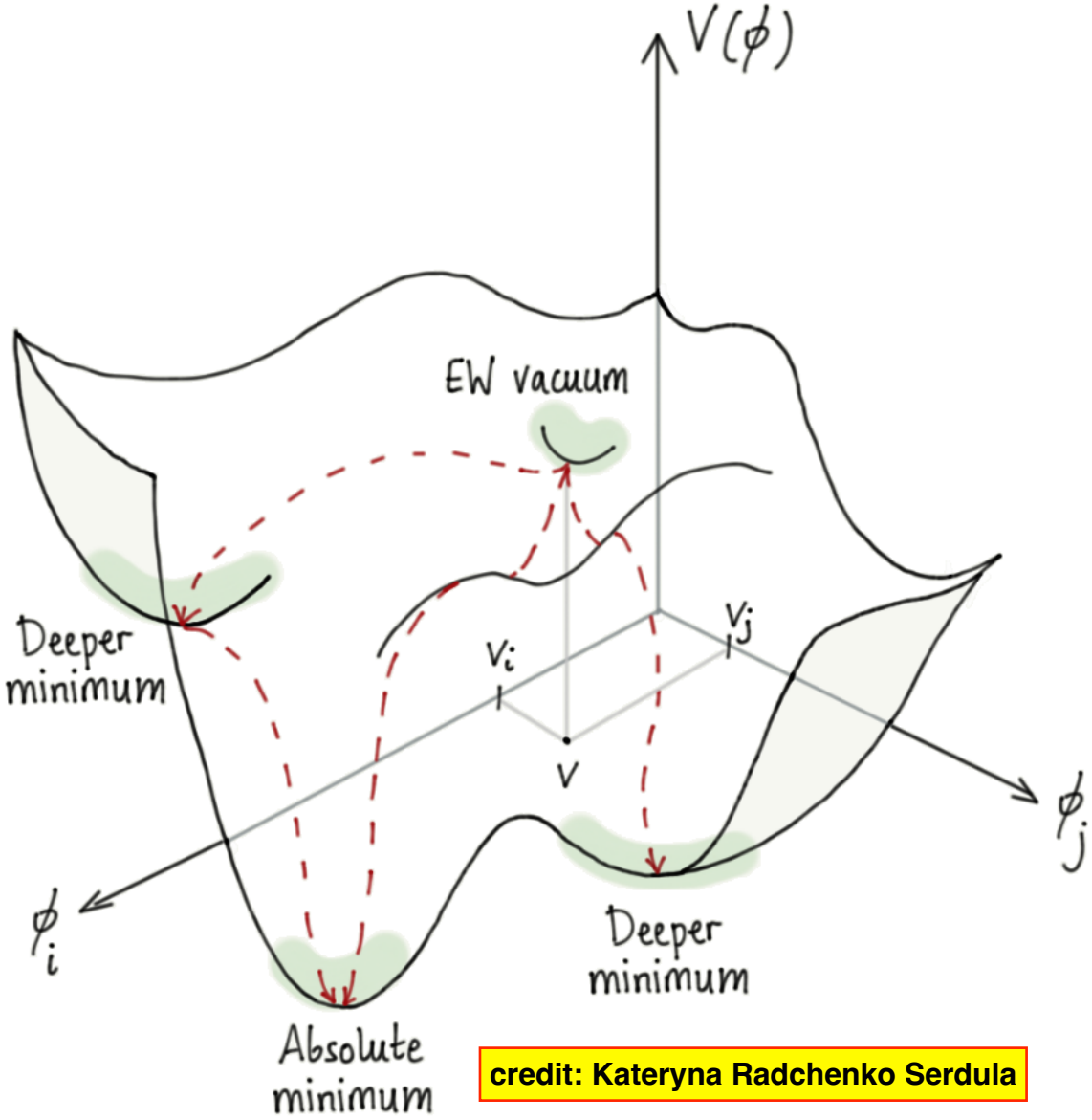
measure as many physical observables with least model-assumptions to explore this landscape - just assuming everything is like in the SM and extract one value is not sufficient!



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Interplay with Gravitational Wave detection

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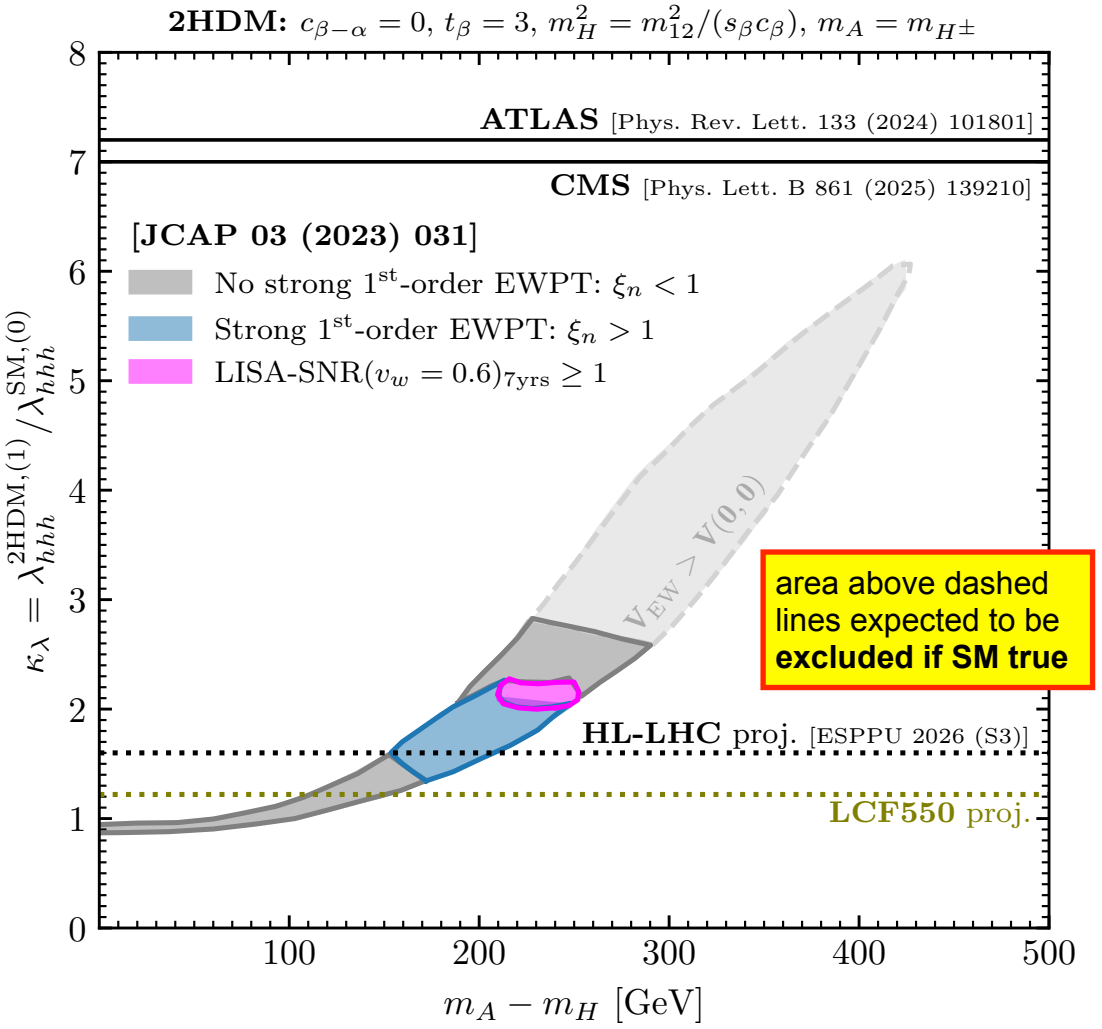

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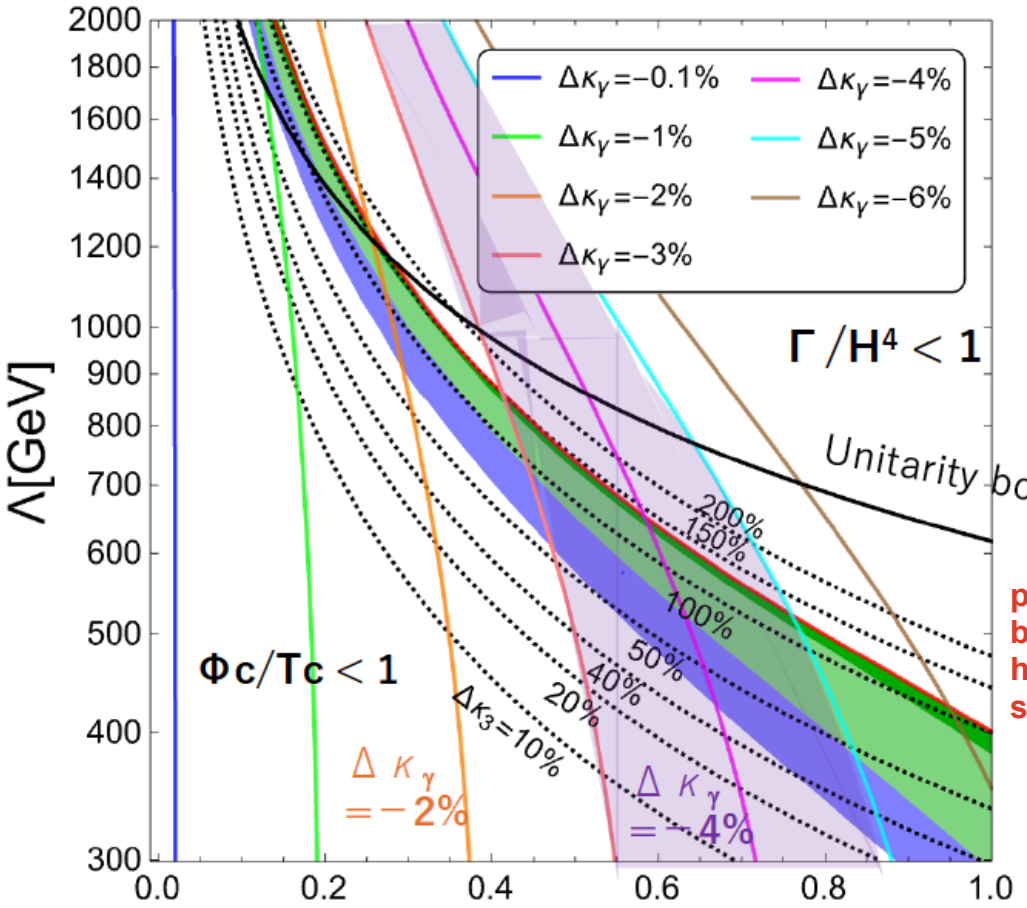

primordial black hole search

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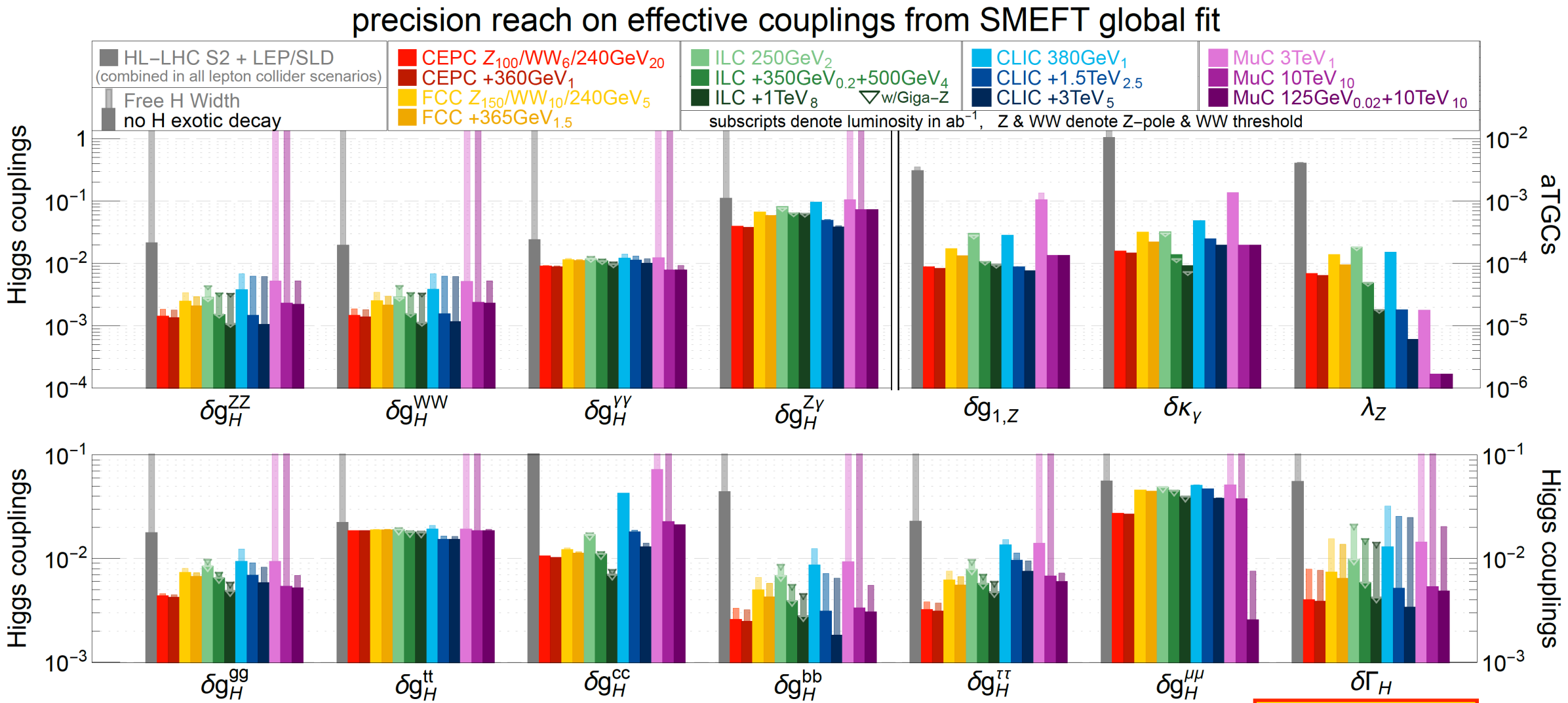

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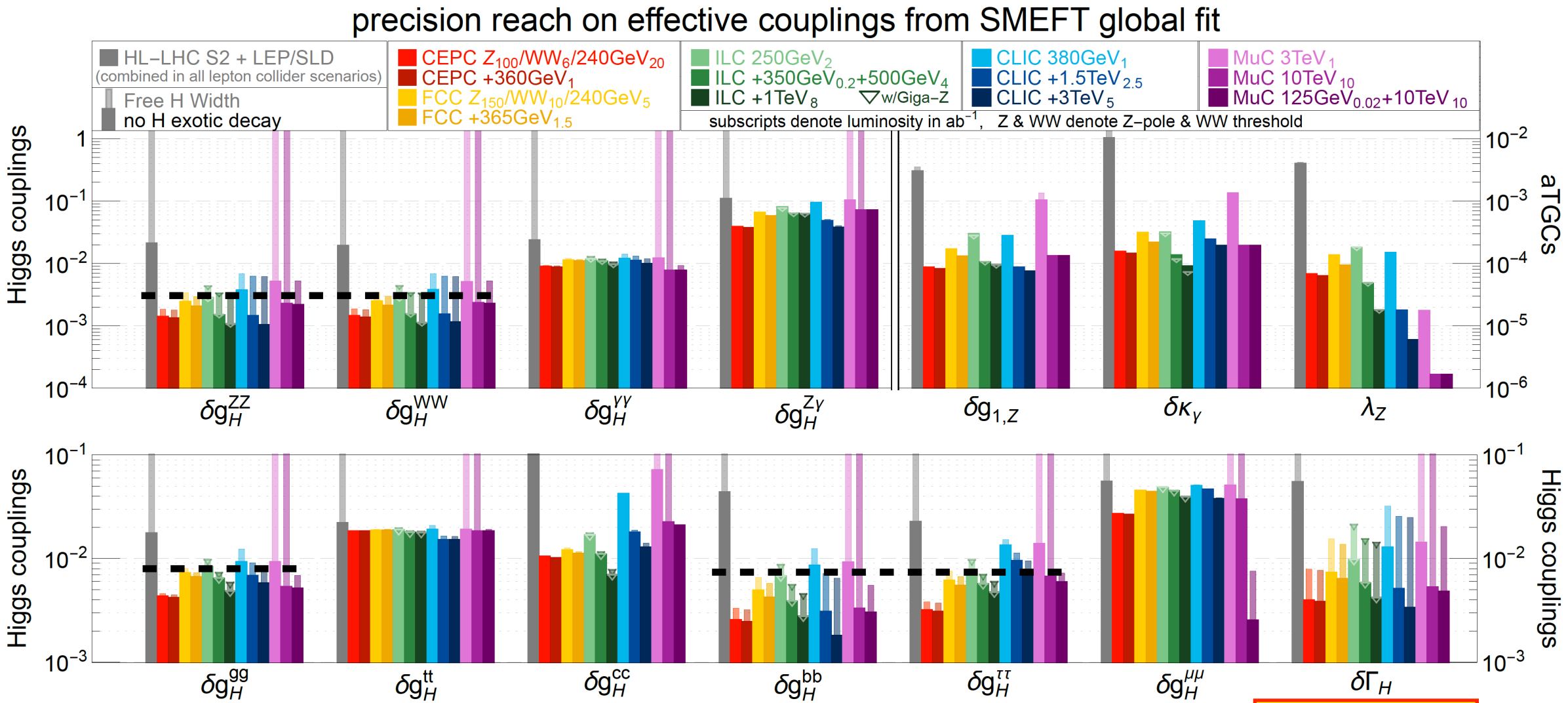

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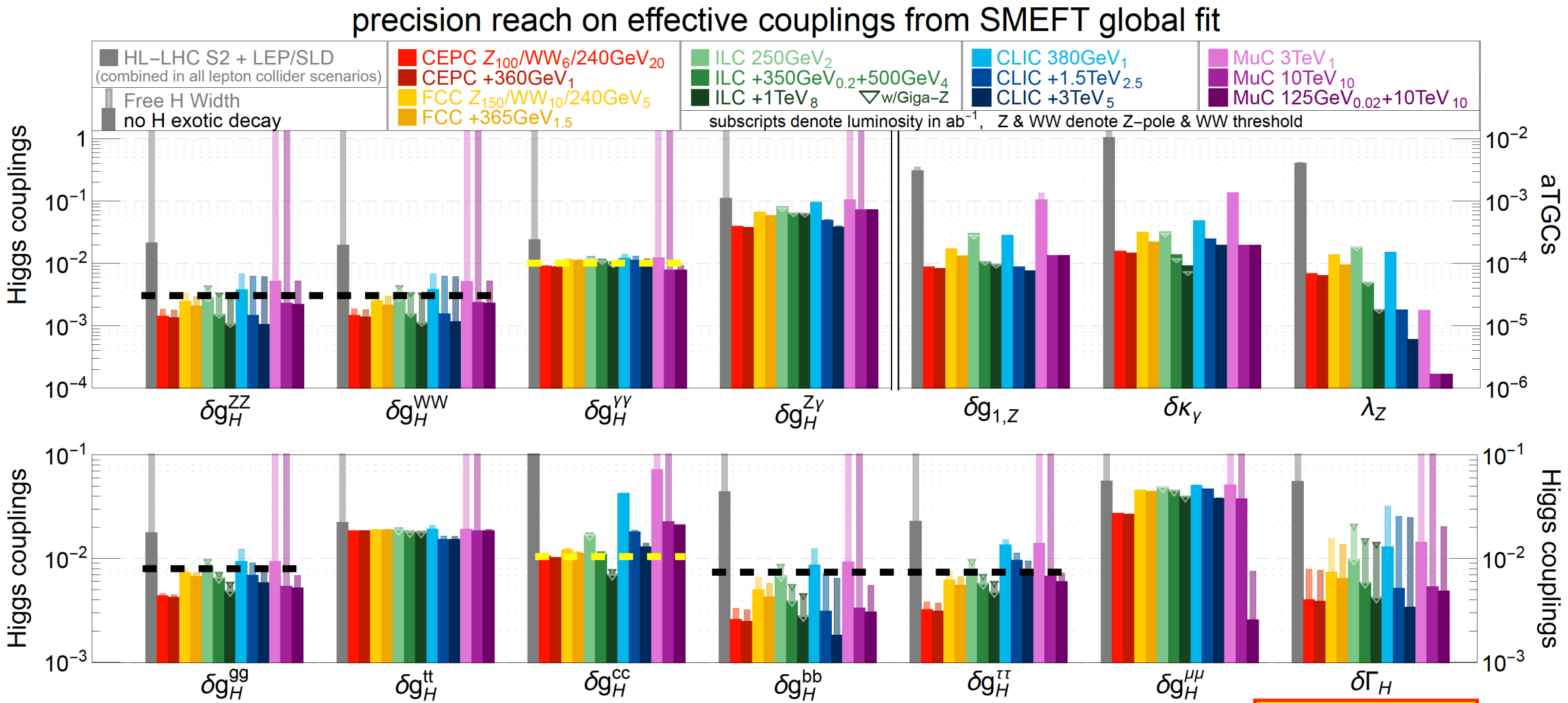

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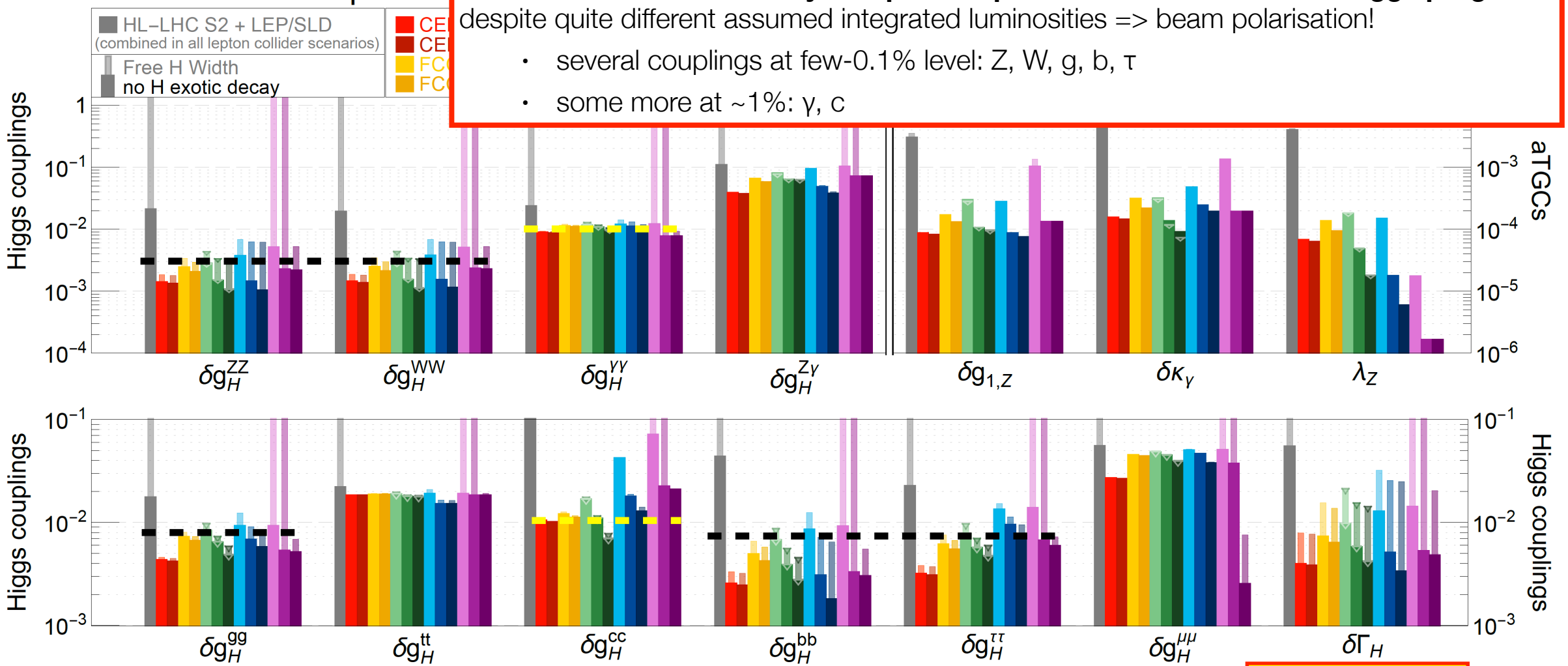

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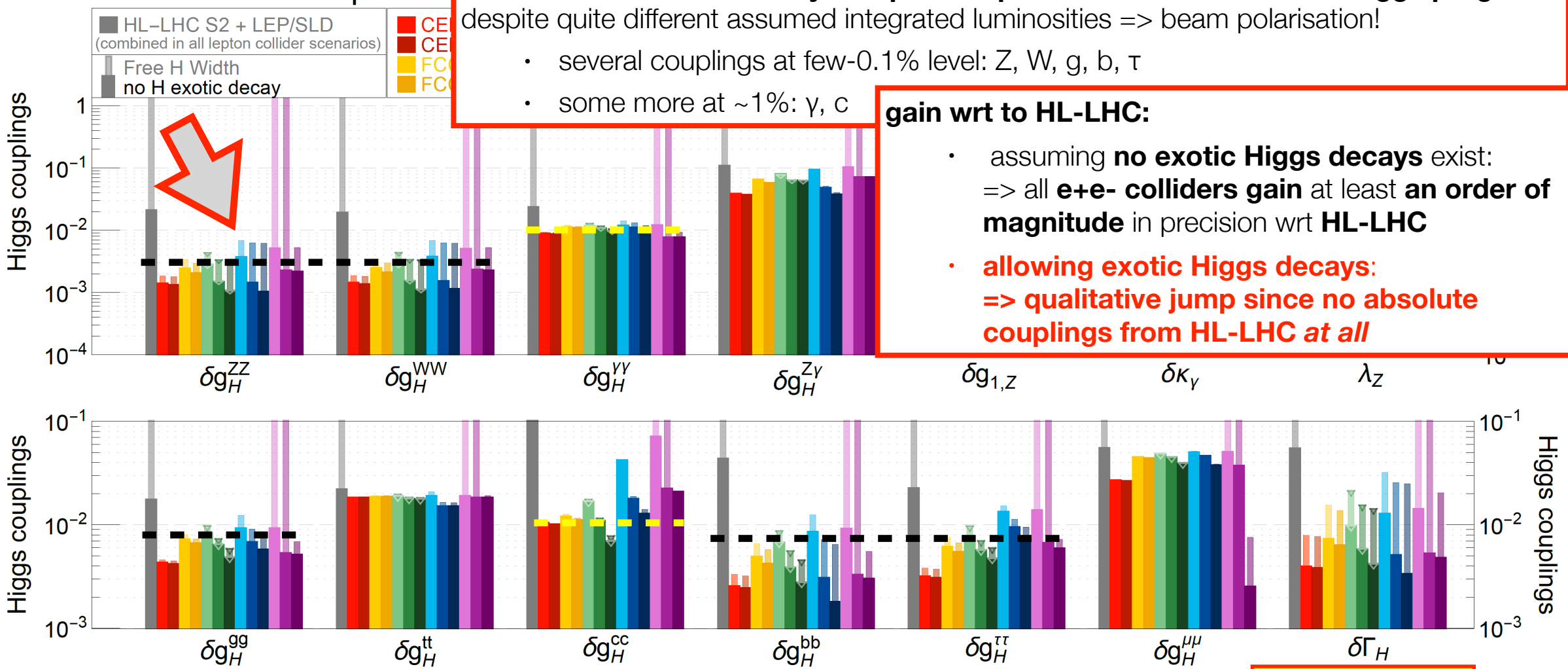

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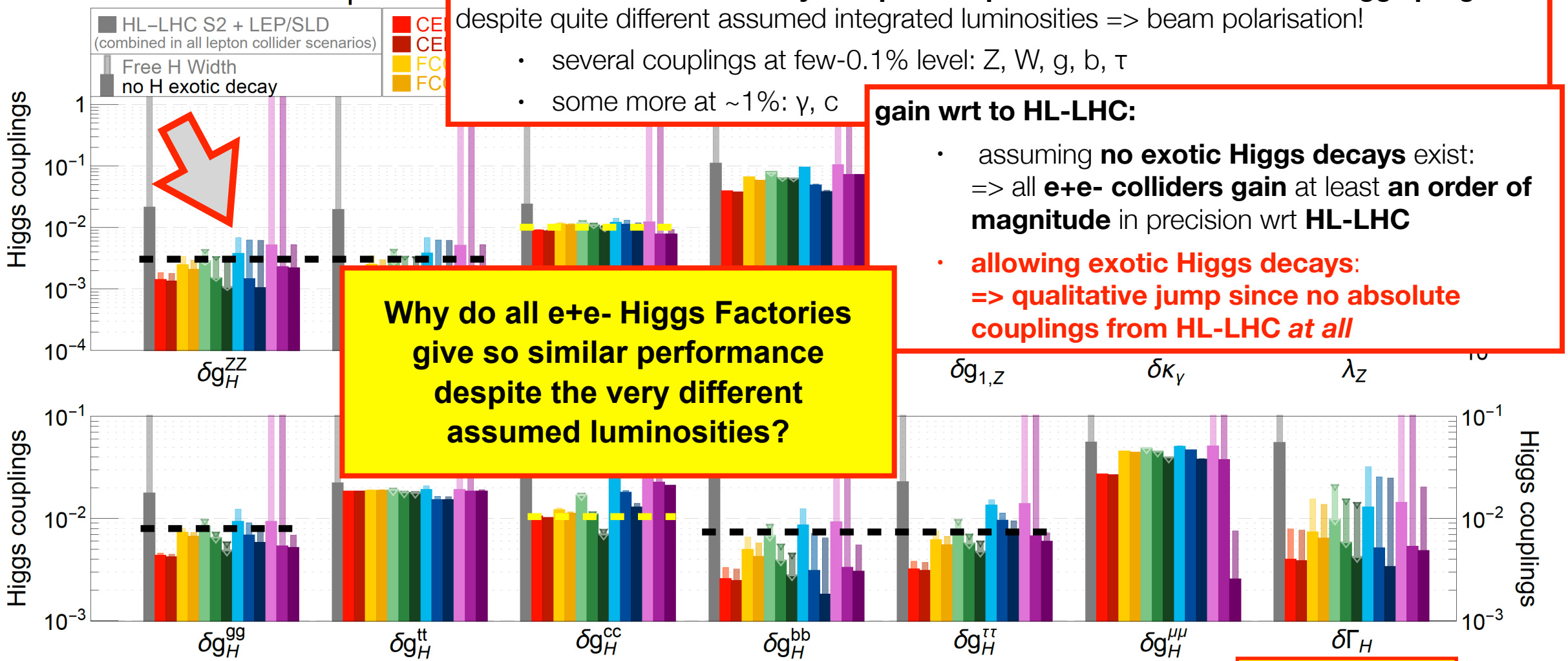

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Interlude: Chirality in Particle Physics

Just a quick reminder…

- Gauge group of weak x electromagnetic interaction: $SU(2)_L$ x U(1)

- L: left-handed, spin anti-|| momentum*
  R: right-handed, spin || momentum*
- **left-handed particles are fundamentally different from right-handed ones:**
  - only left-handed fermions (e^-) and right-handed anti-fermions (e^+) take part in the charged weak interaction, i.e. couple to the W bosons
  - there are (in the SM) no right-handed neutrinos
  - right-handed quarks and charged leptons are singlets under $SU(2)_L$
  - also couplings to the Z boson are different for left- and right-handed fermions

$$P = \frac{N_R - N_L}{N_R + N_L}$$

- **checking whether the differences between L and R are as predicted in the SM is a very sensitive test for new phenomena!**

* for massive particles, there is of course a difference between chirality and helicity, no time for this today, ask at the end in case of doubt!

Physics benefits of polarised beams

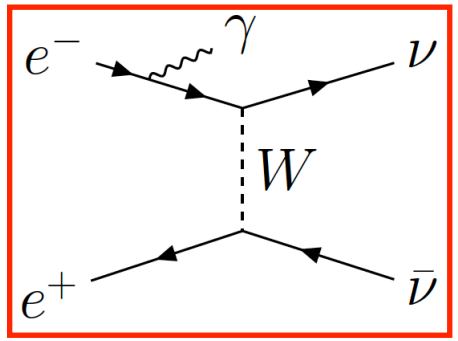
Much more than statistics!

General references on polarised e^+e^- physics:

- **arXiv:1801.02840**
- **Phys. Rept. 460 (2008) 131-243**

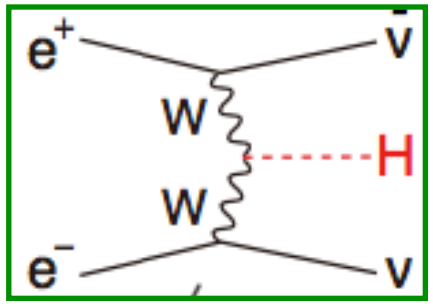
background suppression:

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow WW$ / $\nu_e\nu_e$
  strongly P-dependent
  since t-channel only
  for $e^-_L e^+_R$



signal enhancement:

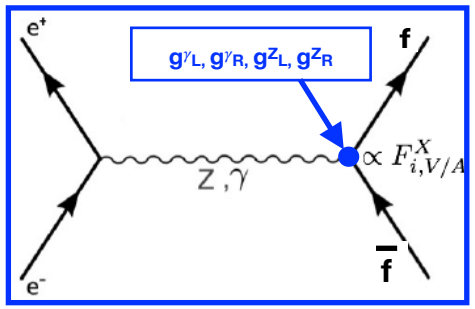
- Higgs production in WW fusion
- many BSM processes



have strong polarisation dependence => higher S/B

chiral analysis:

- SM: Z and γ differ in couplings to left- and right-handed fermions
- BSM:
  chiral structure unknown, needs to be determined!



redundancy & control of systematics:

- "wrong" polarisation yields "signal-free" control sample
- flipping *positron* polarisation controls nuisance effects on observables relying on *electron* polarisation
- essential: fast helicity reversal for *both* beams!

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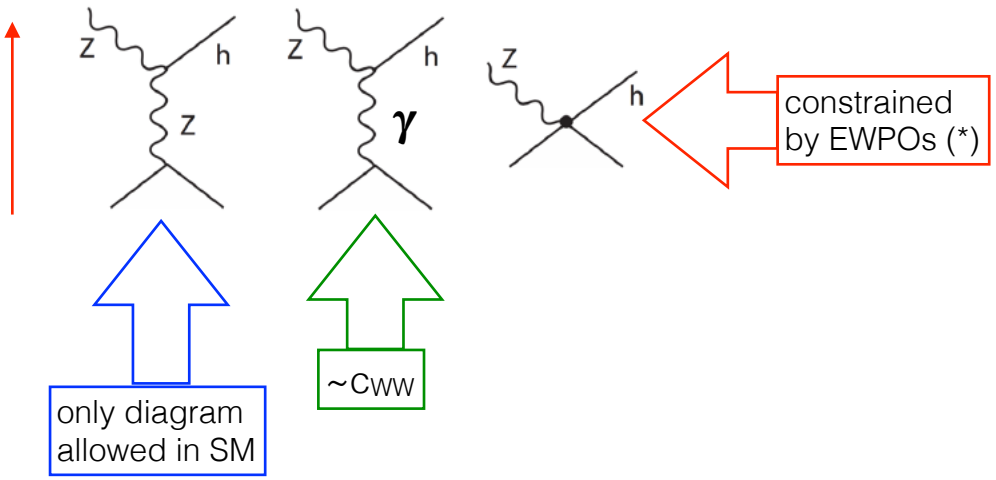

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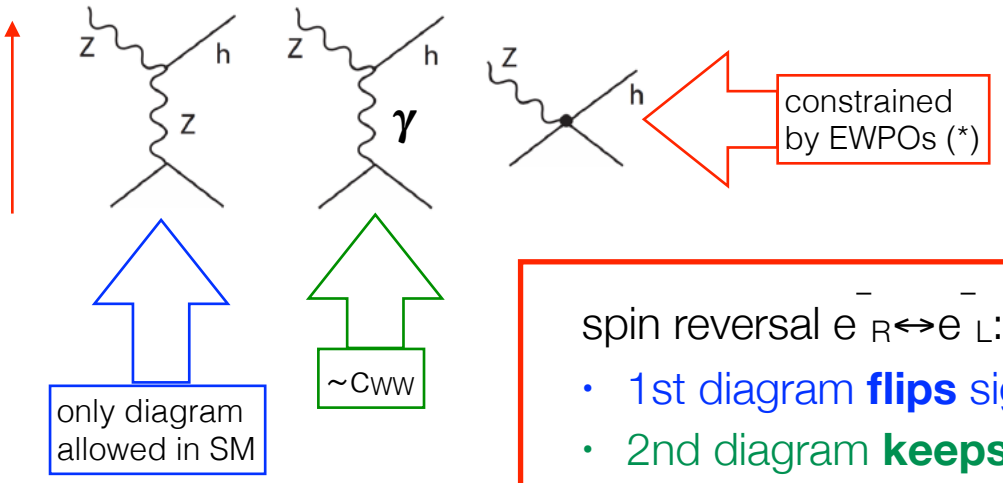

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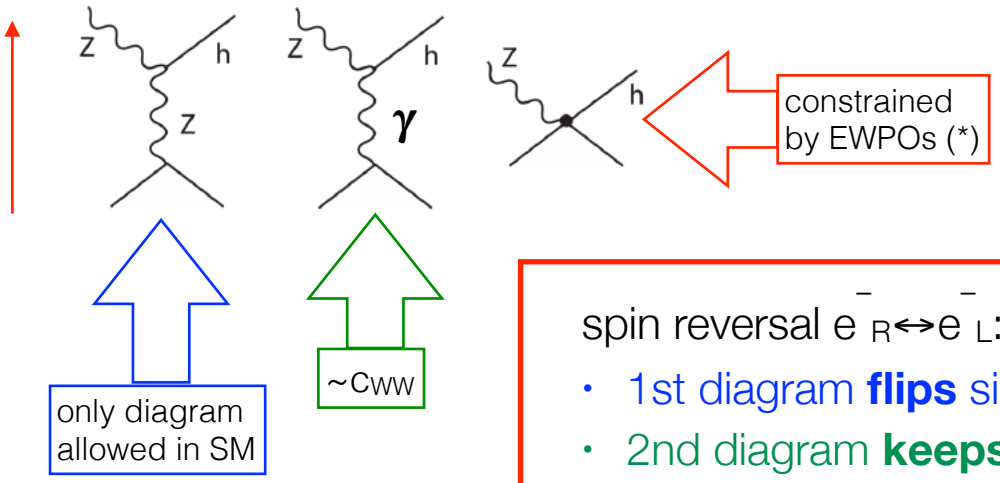

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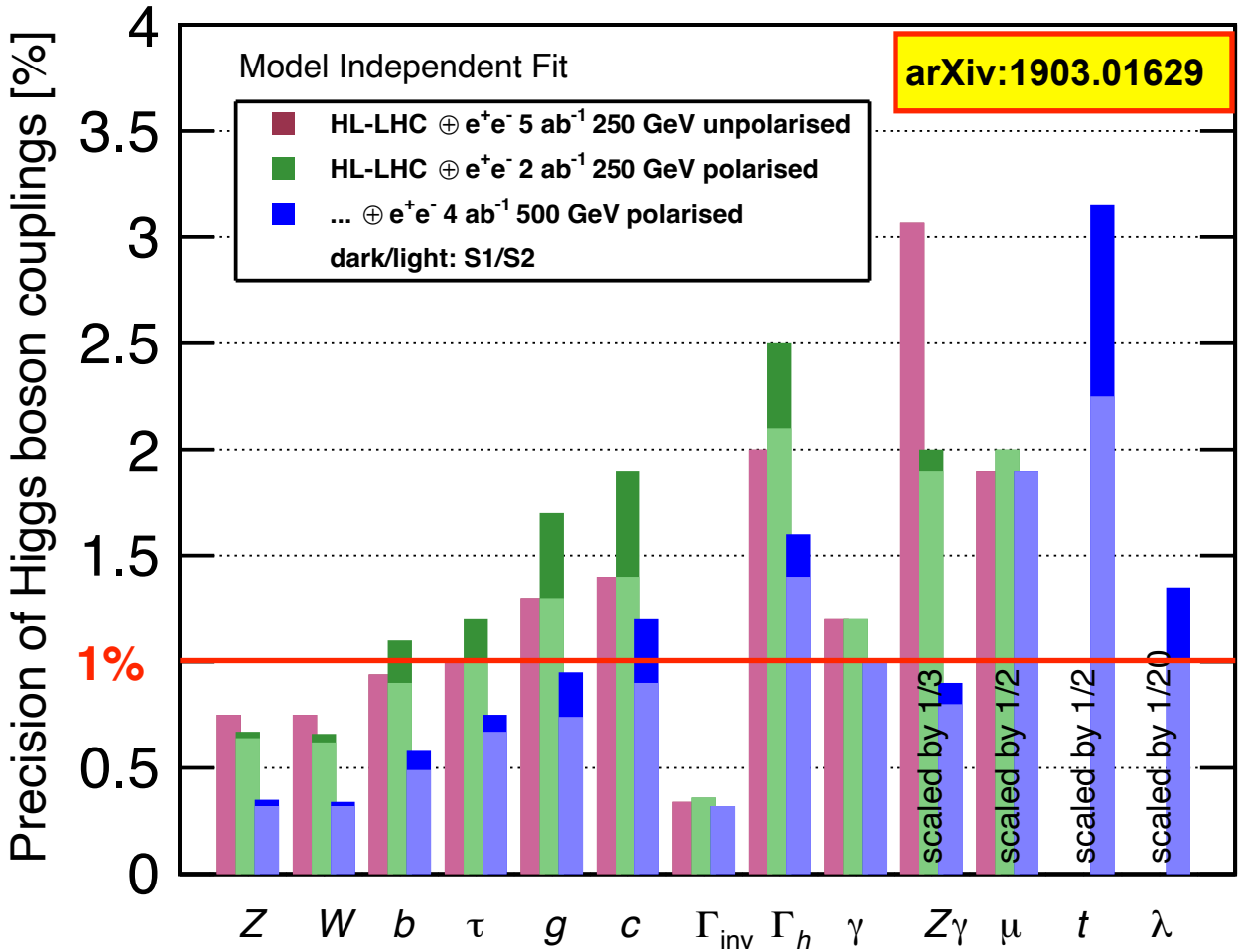

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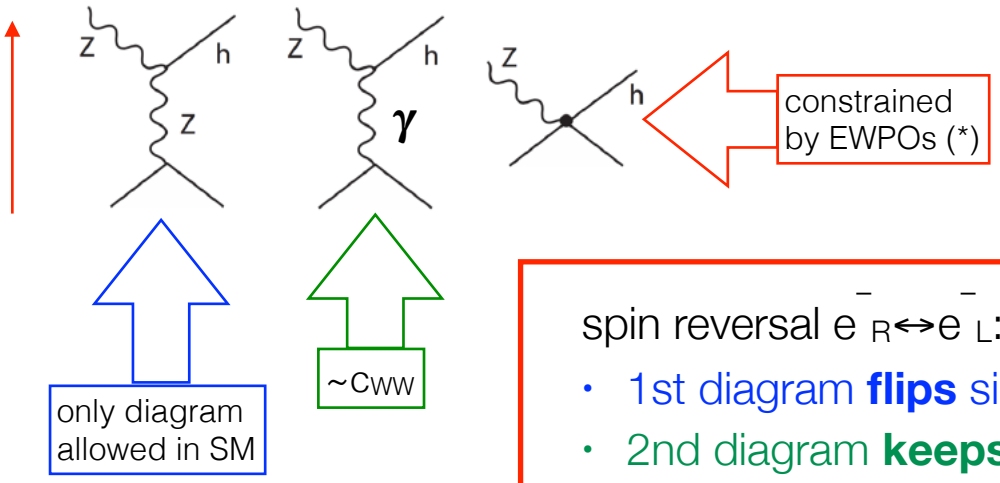

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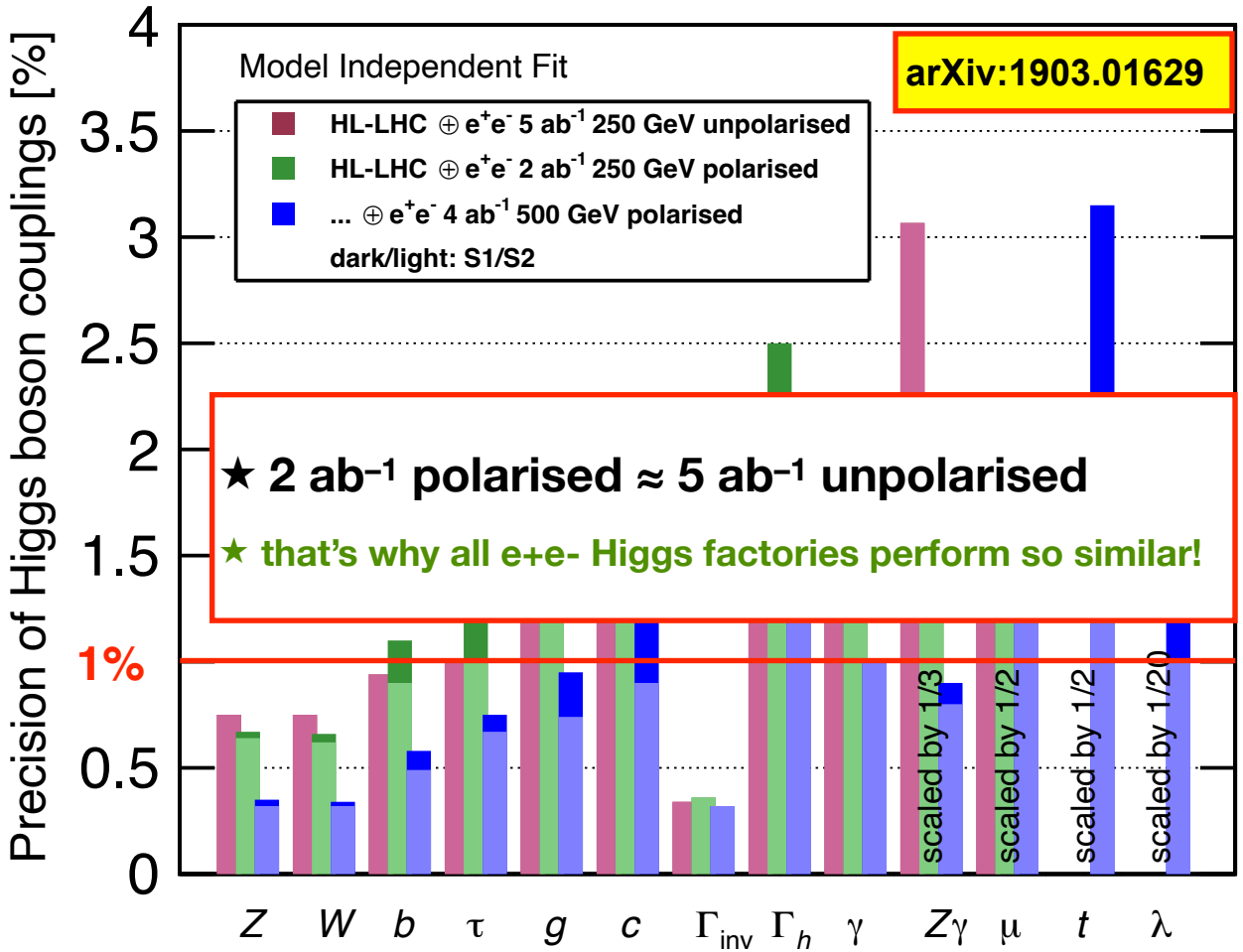

Entanglement - SMEFT NLO

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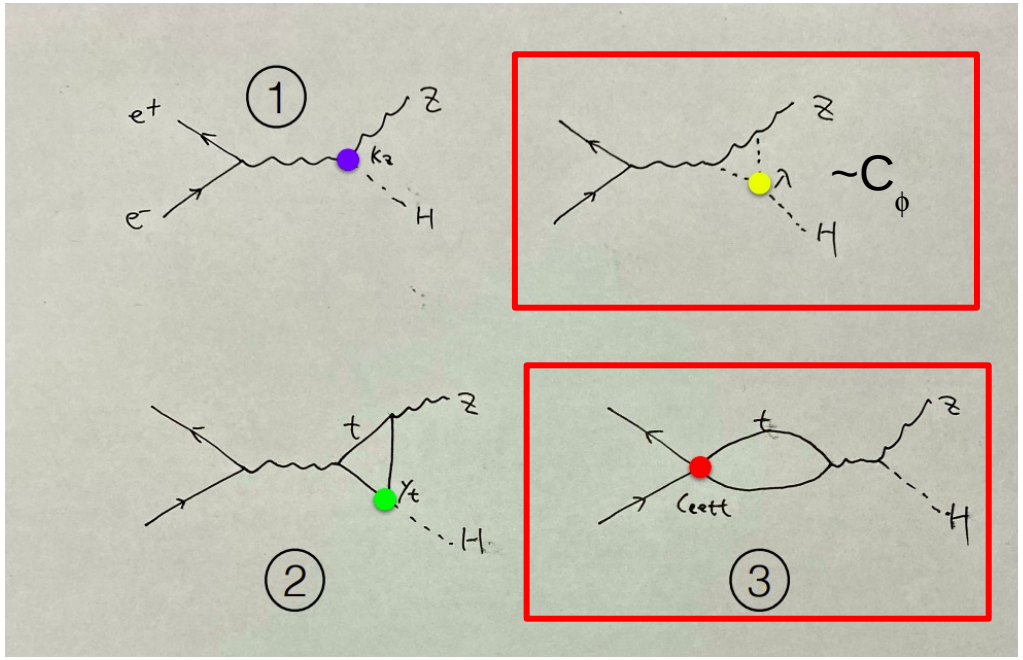
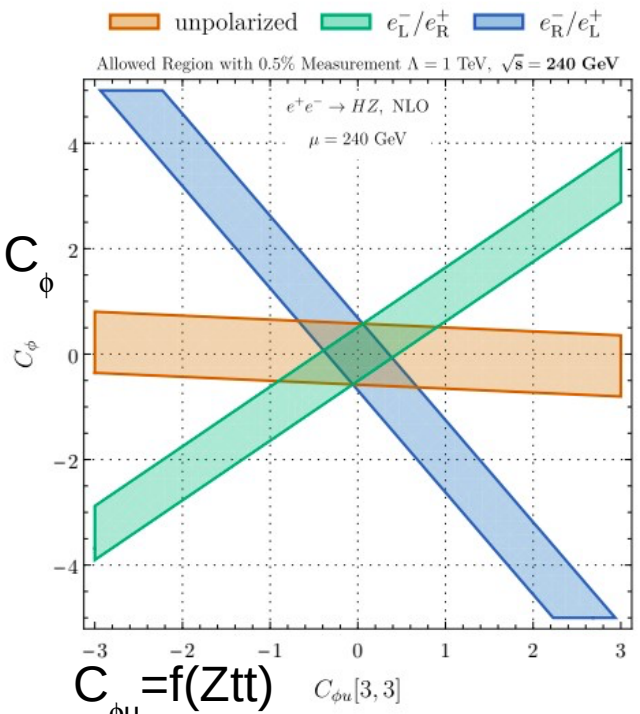


One important contribution is eett Vertex

Correlation C_ϕ to tt-Vertices arxiv:2409.11466



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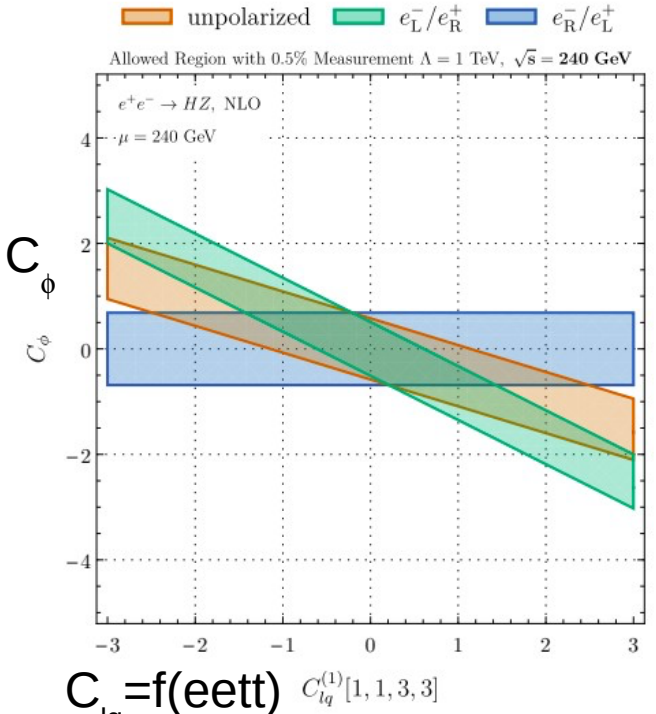

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- NLO SMEFT introduces sensitivity to and constrains C_ϕ and operators involving top vertices
- Disentangling of constraints using beam polarisation
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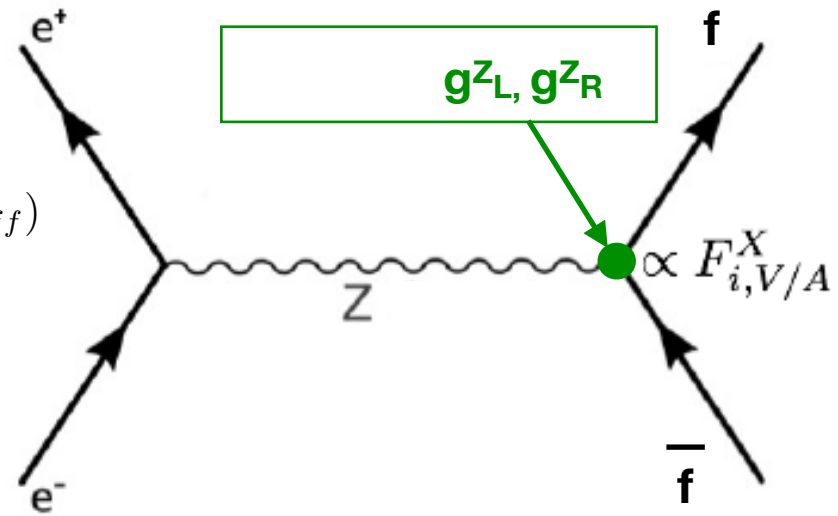

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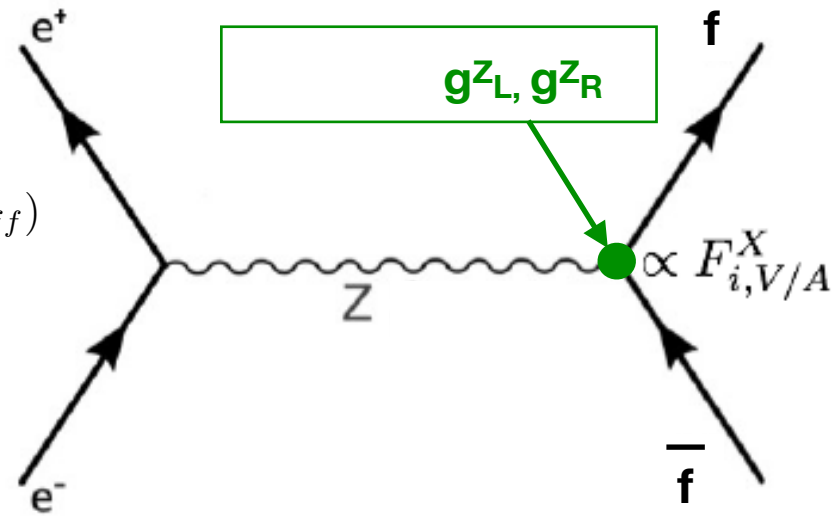

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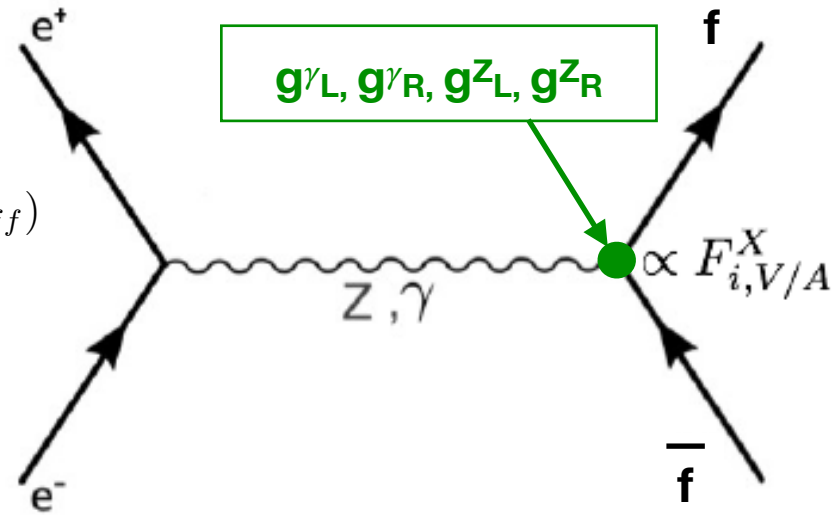

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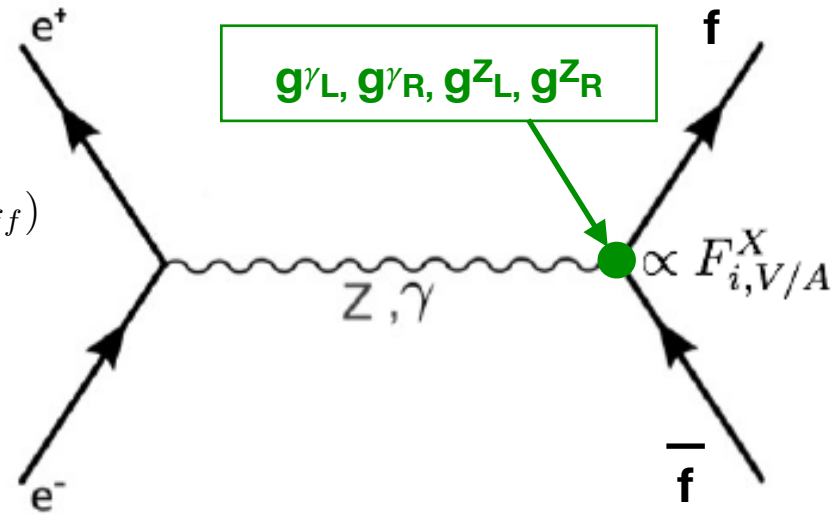

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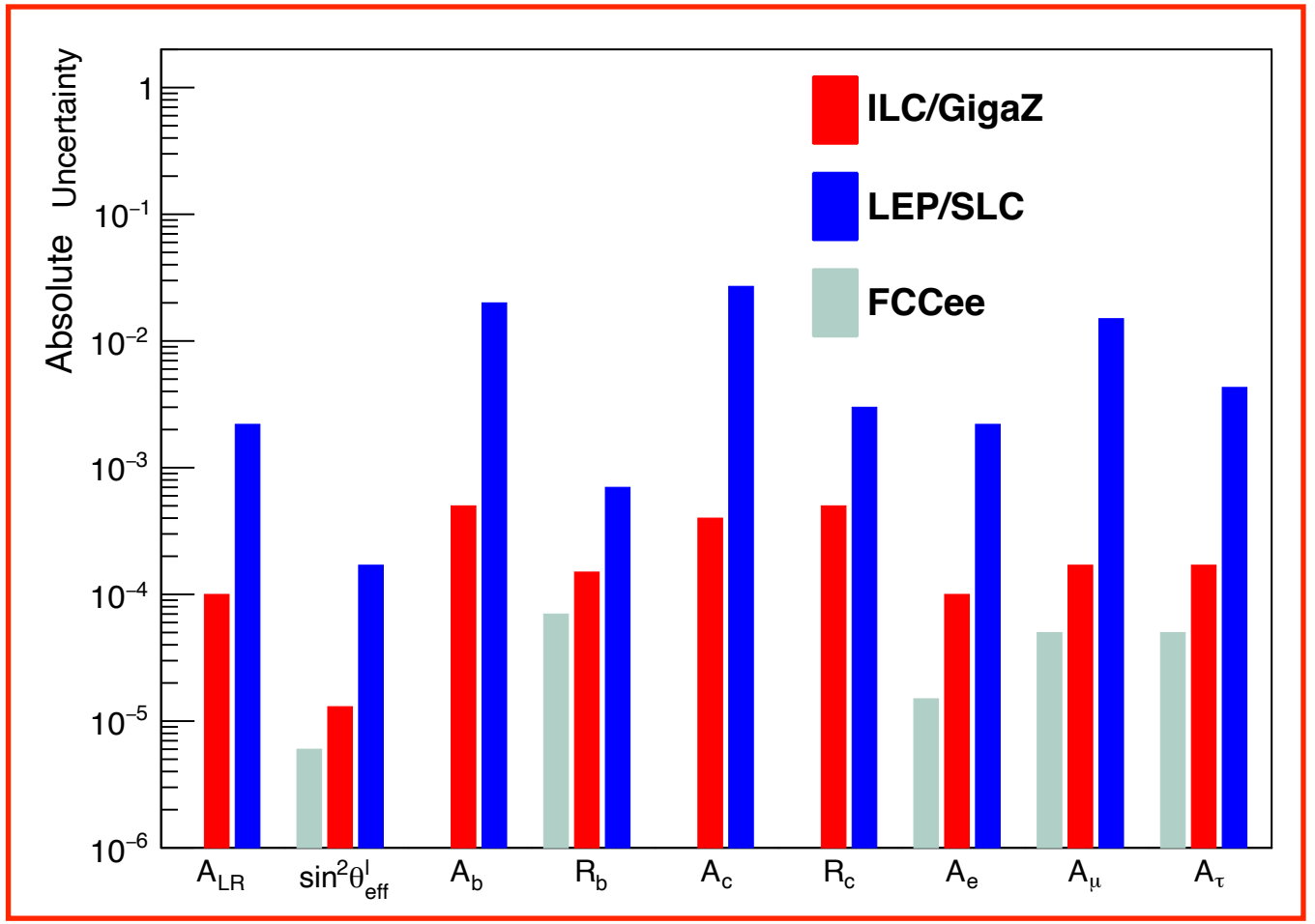

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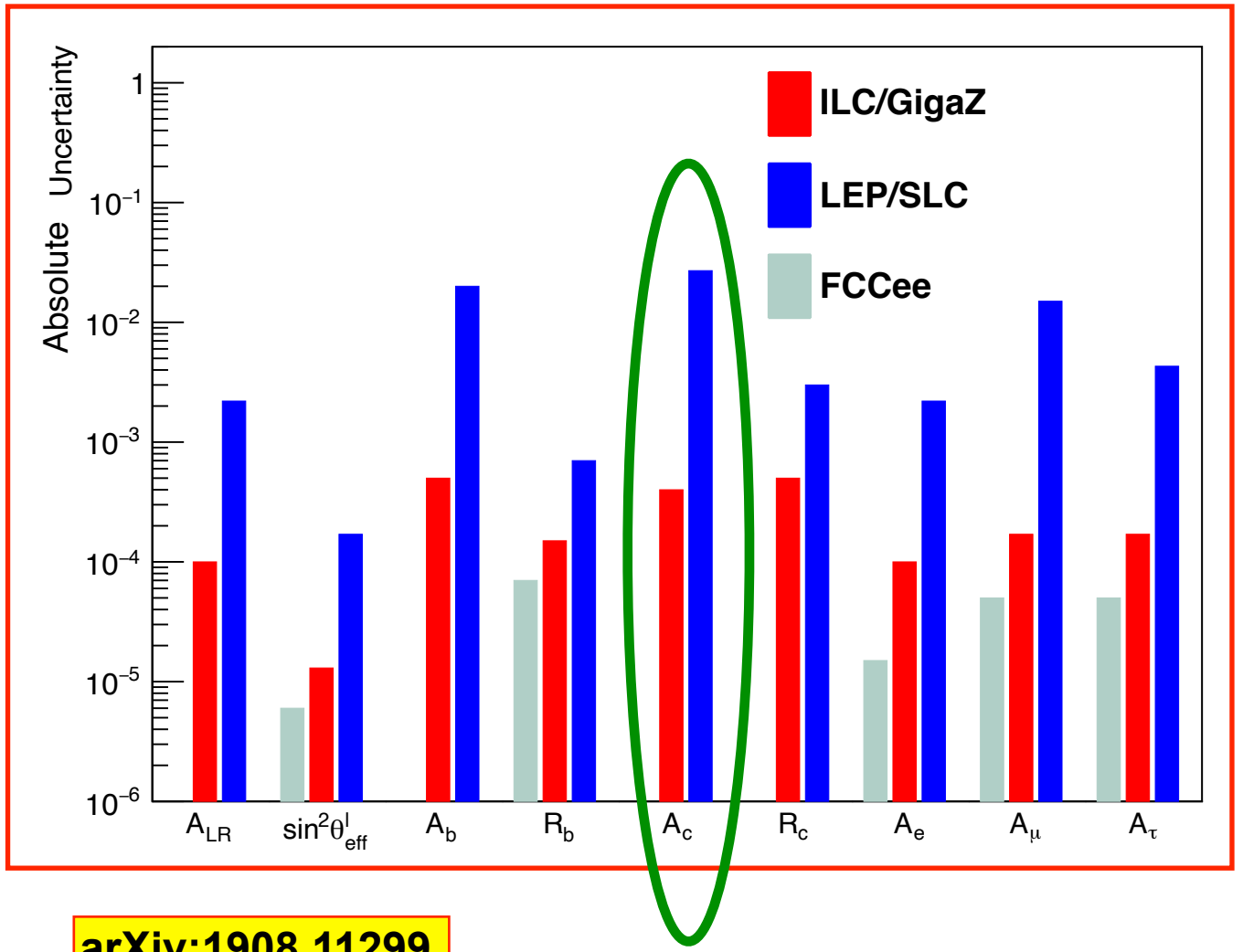

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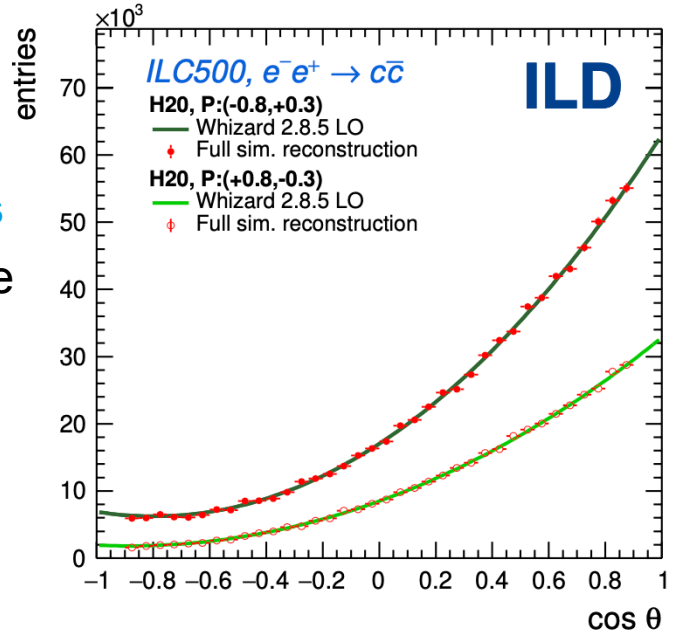

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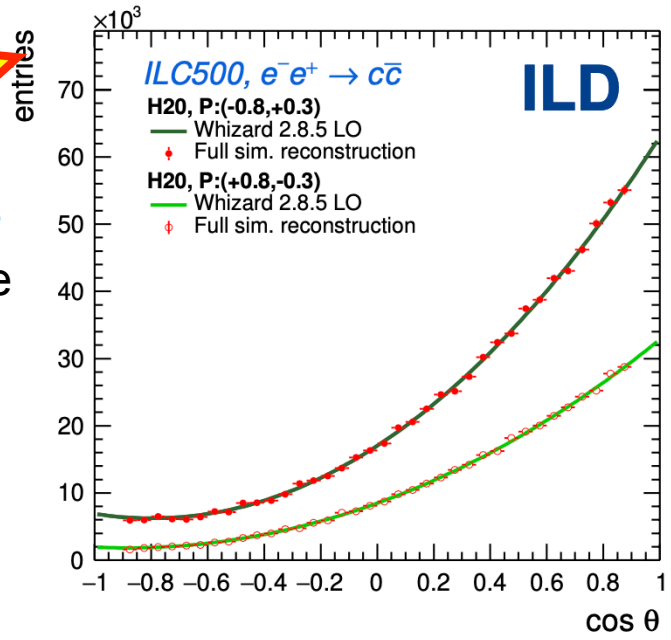

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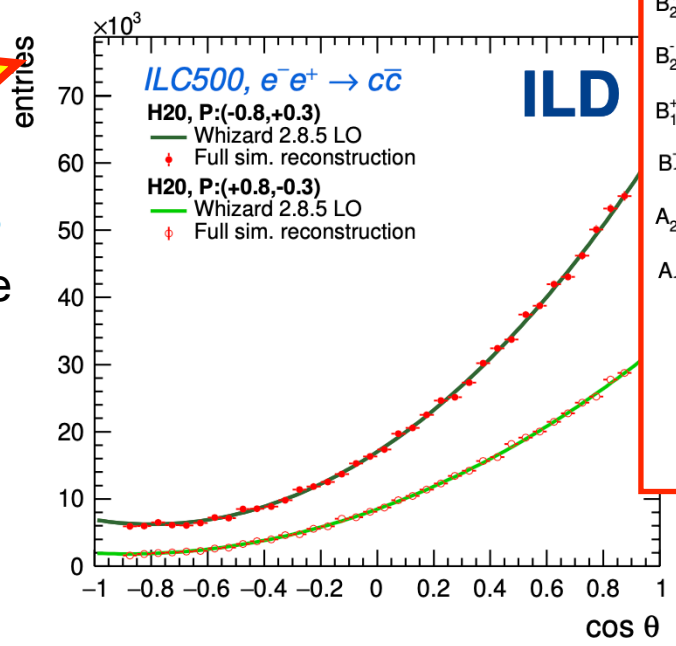

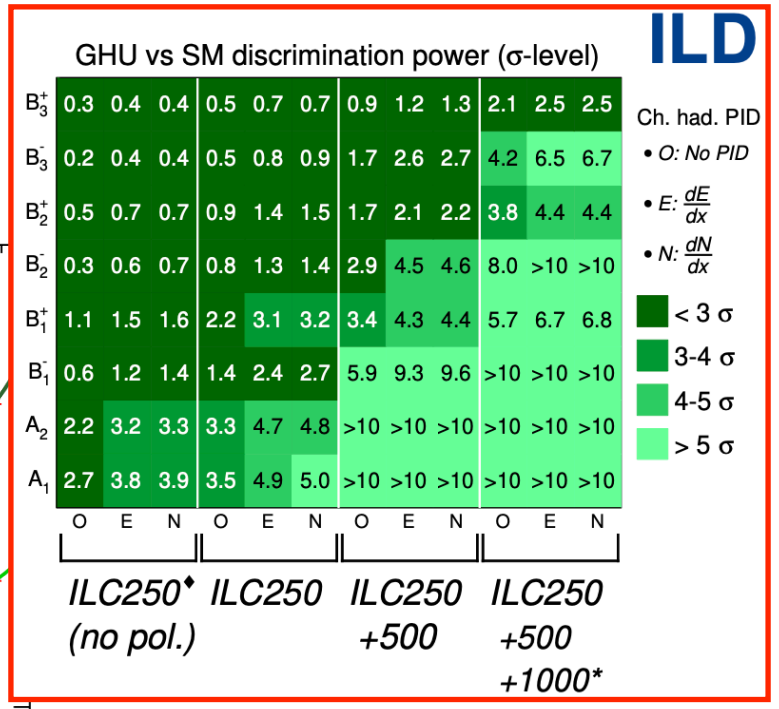

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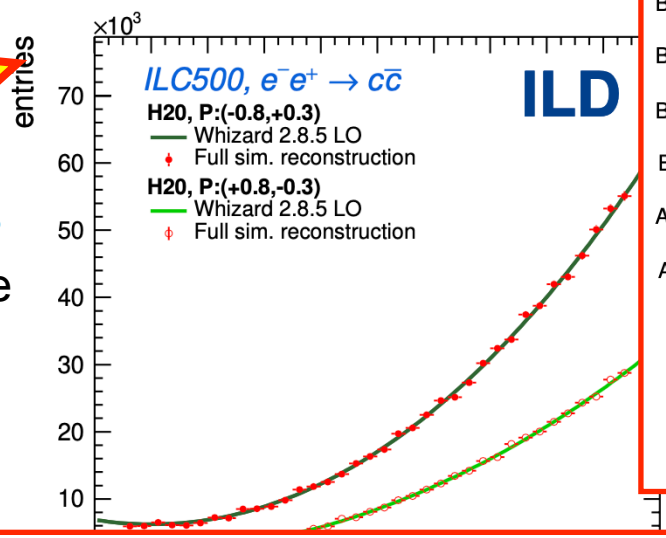

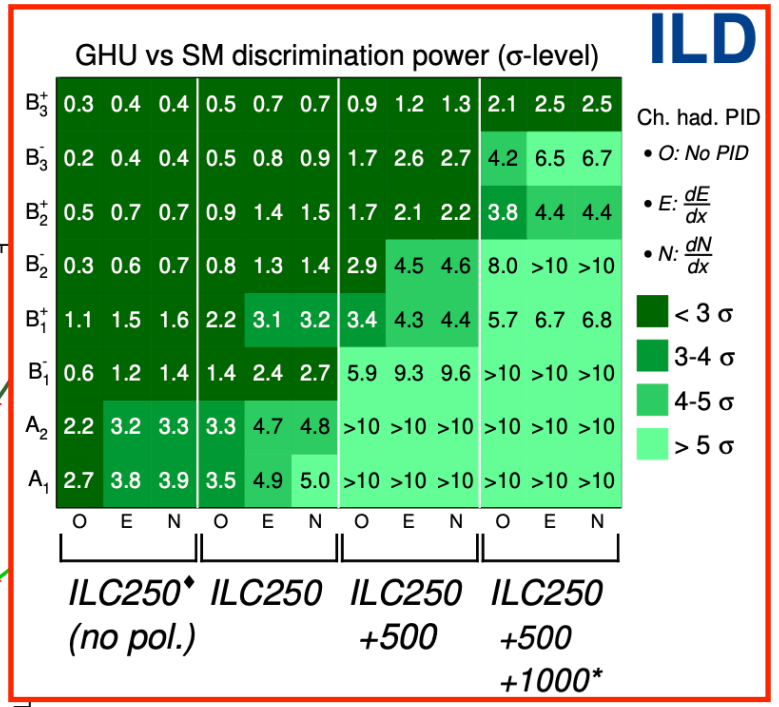

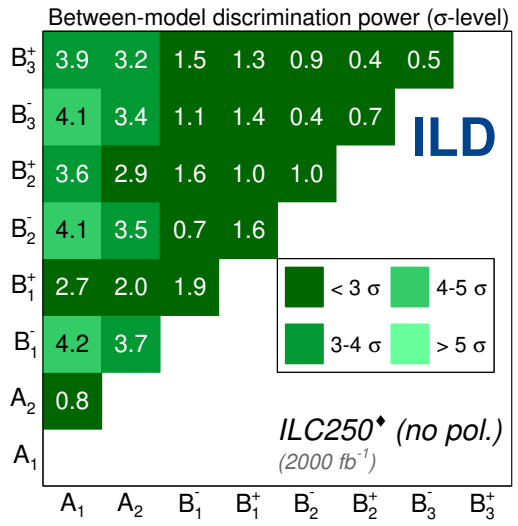

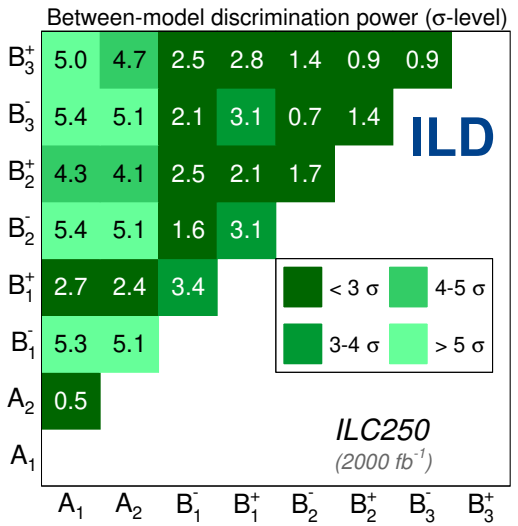

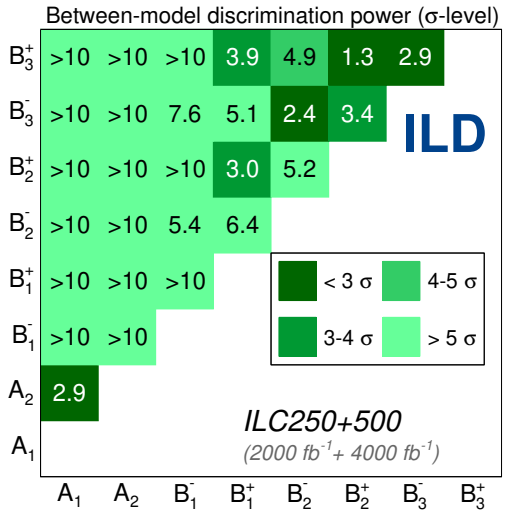

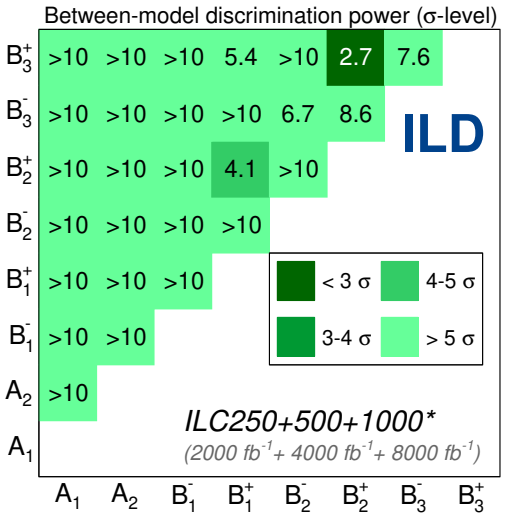

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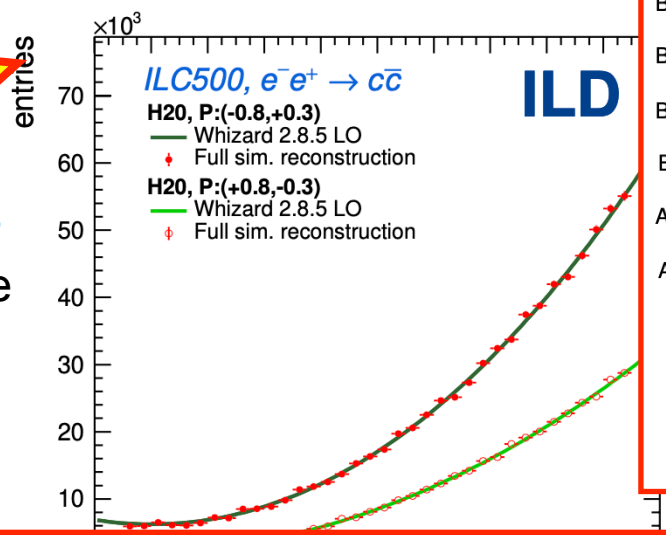

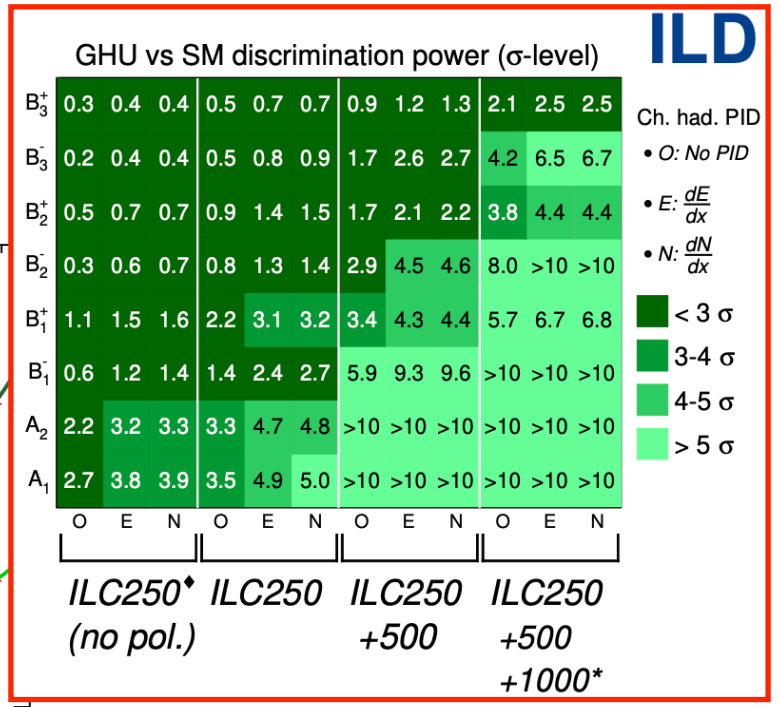

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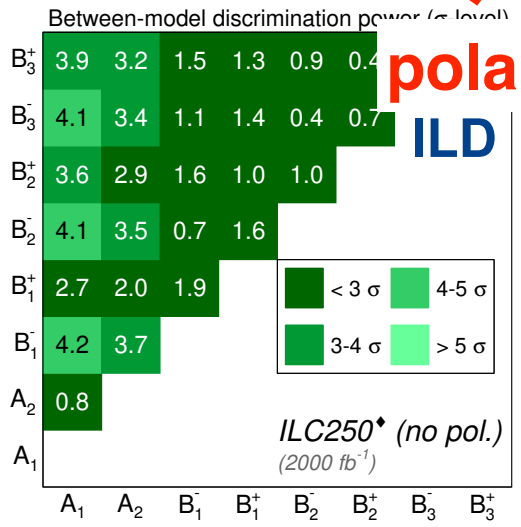

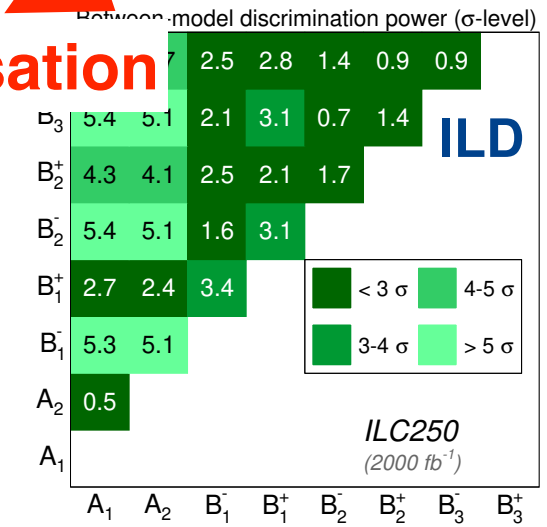

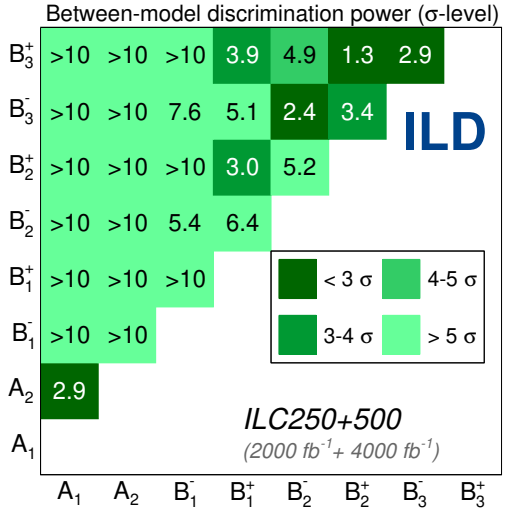

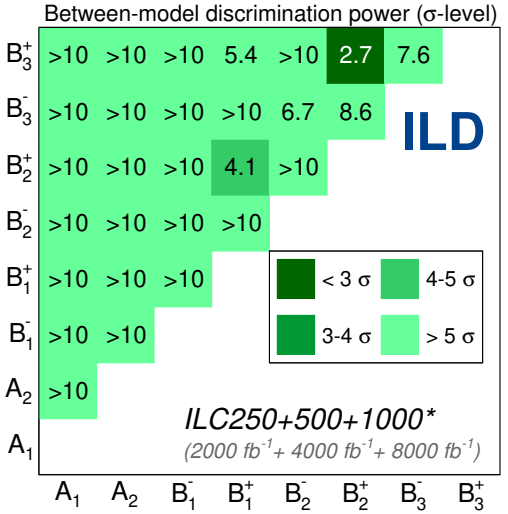

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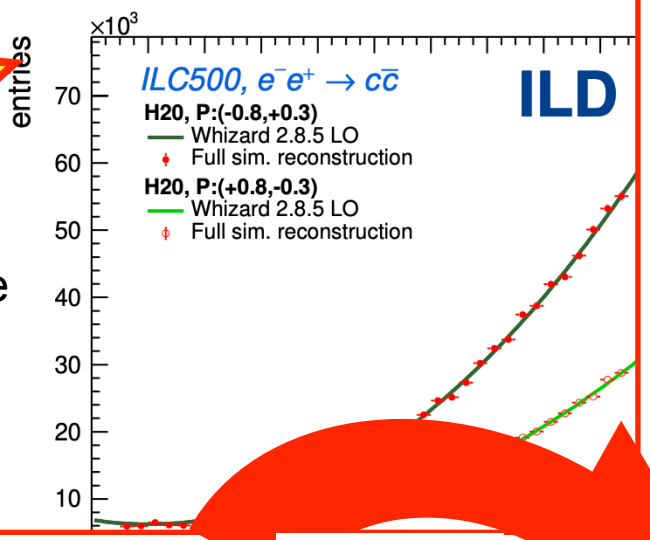

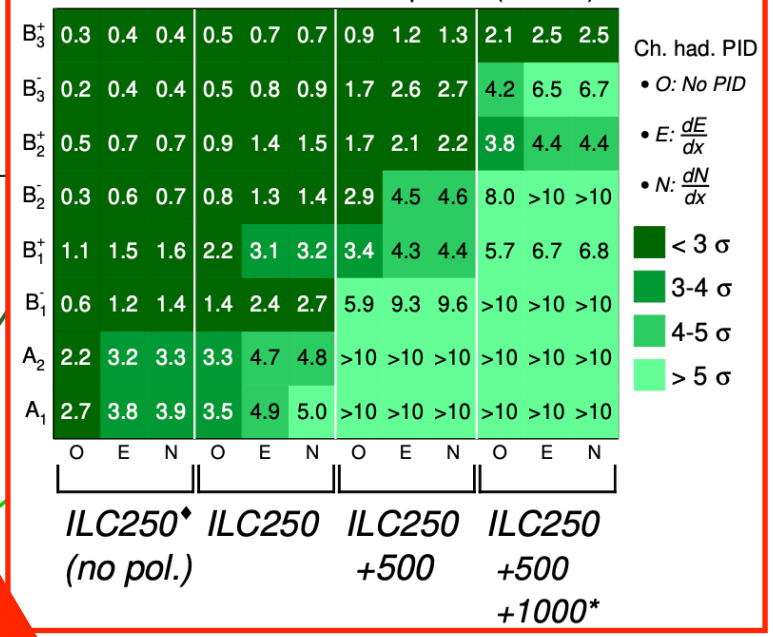

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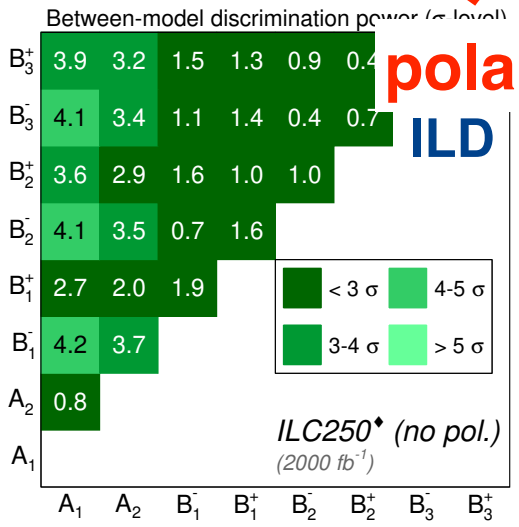

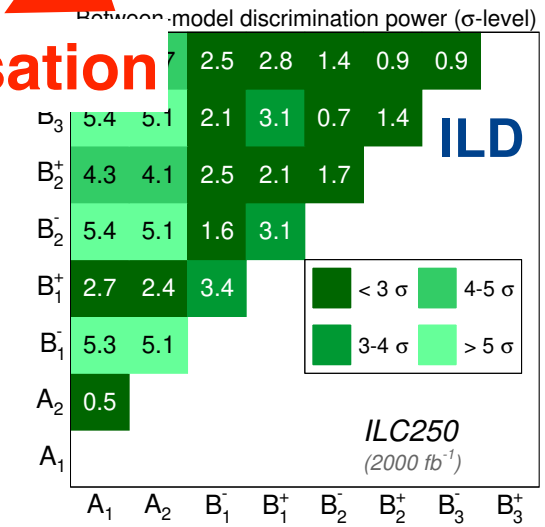

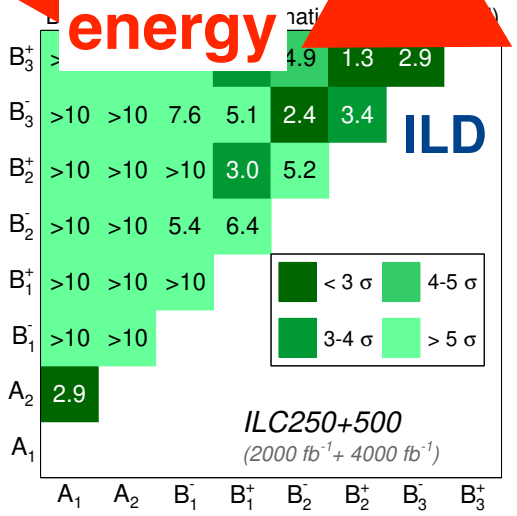

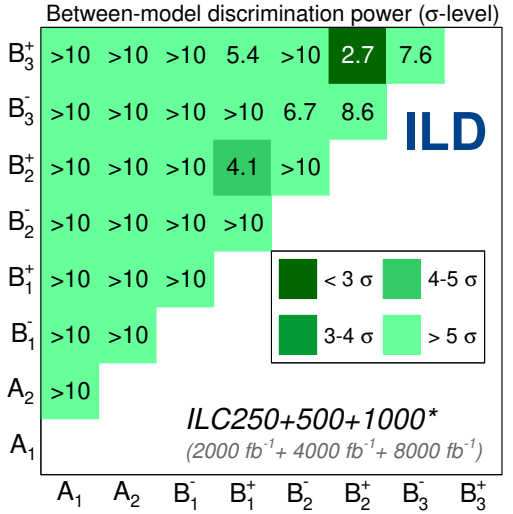

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Discovery reach for lepton colliders - complementary to FCC-hh

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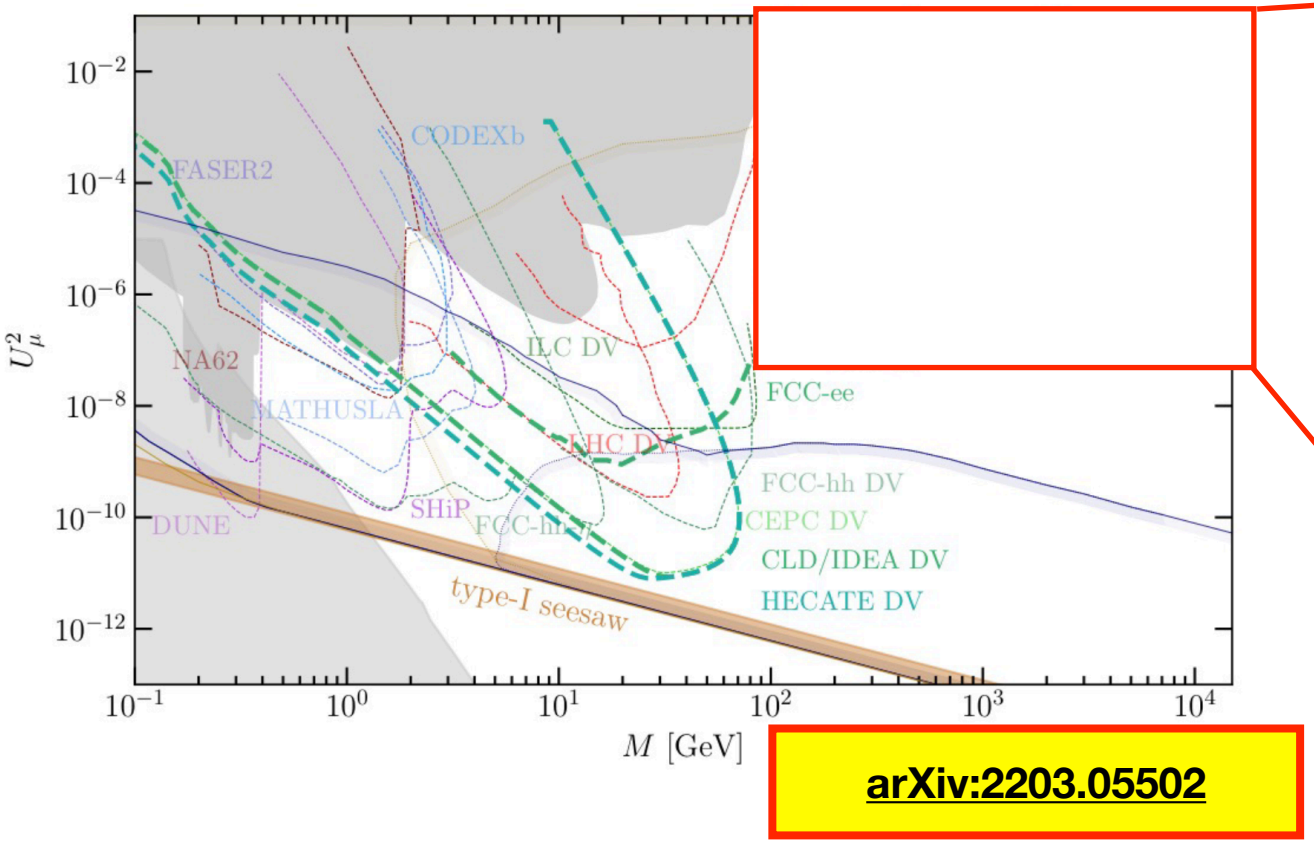

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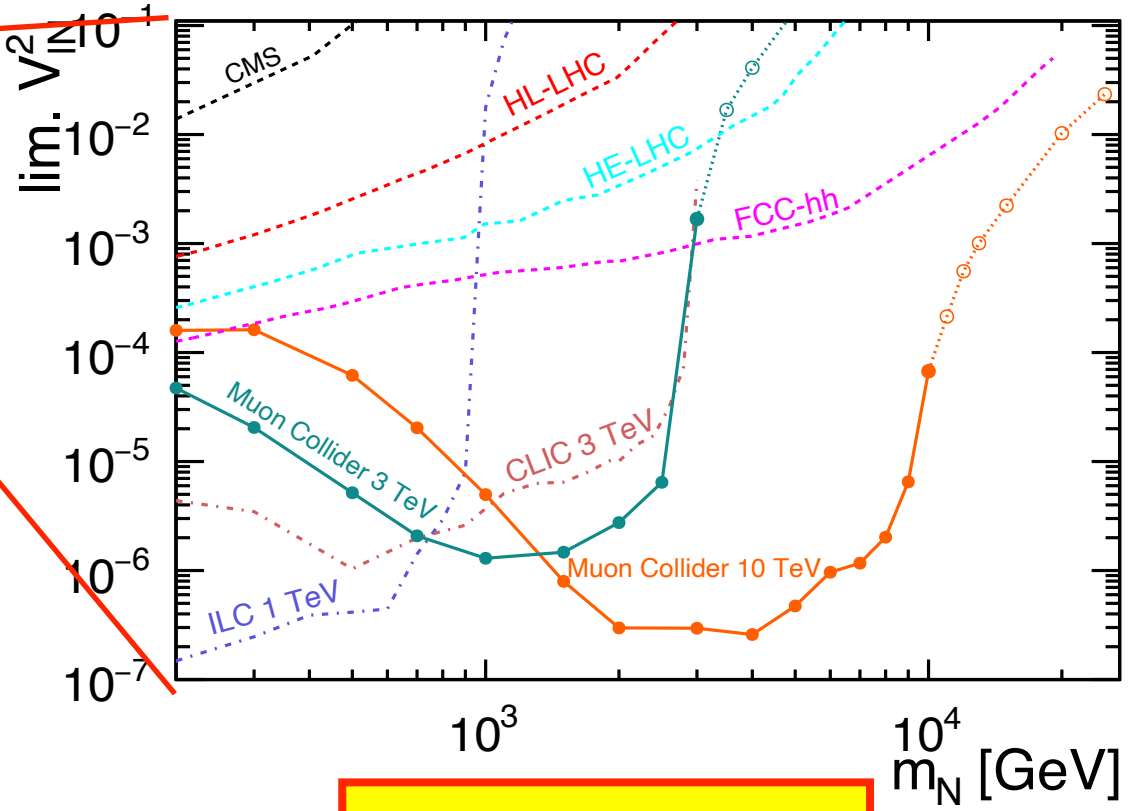

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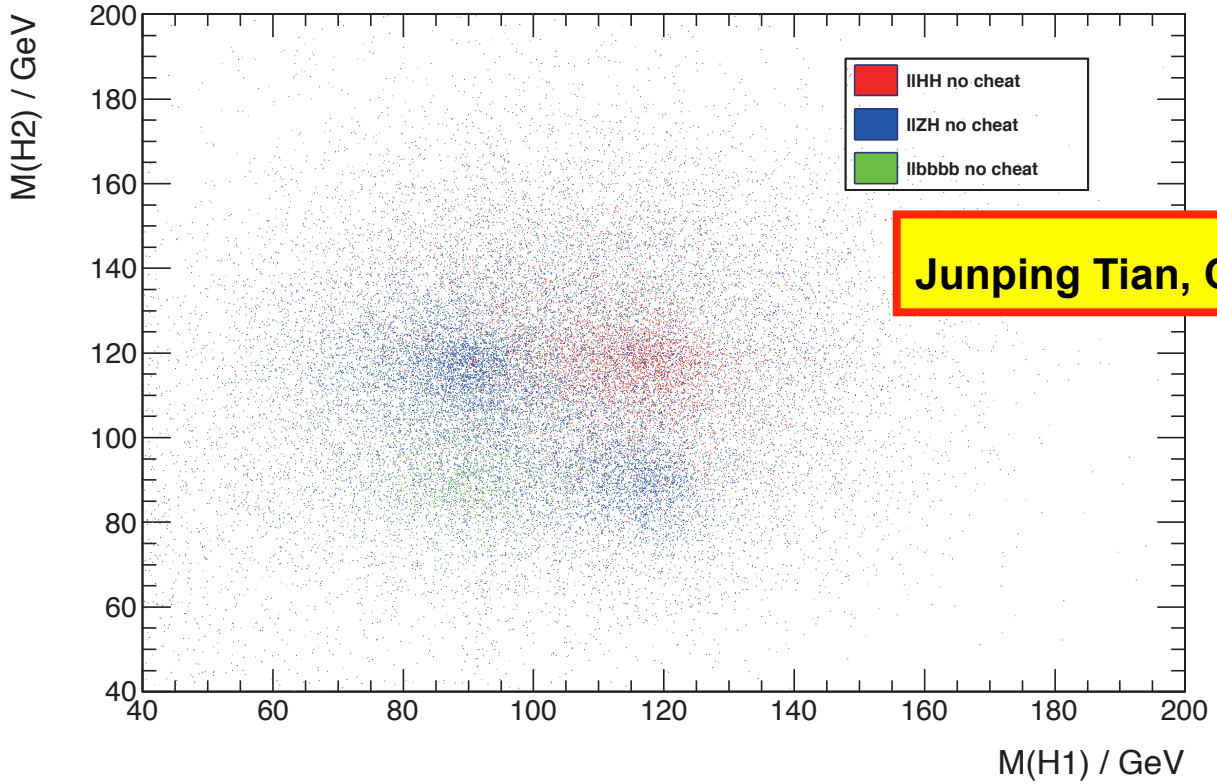

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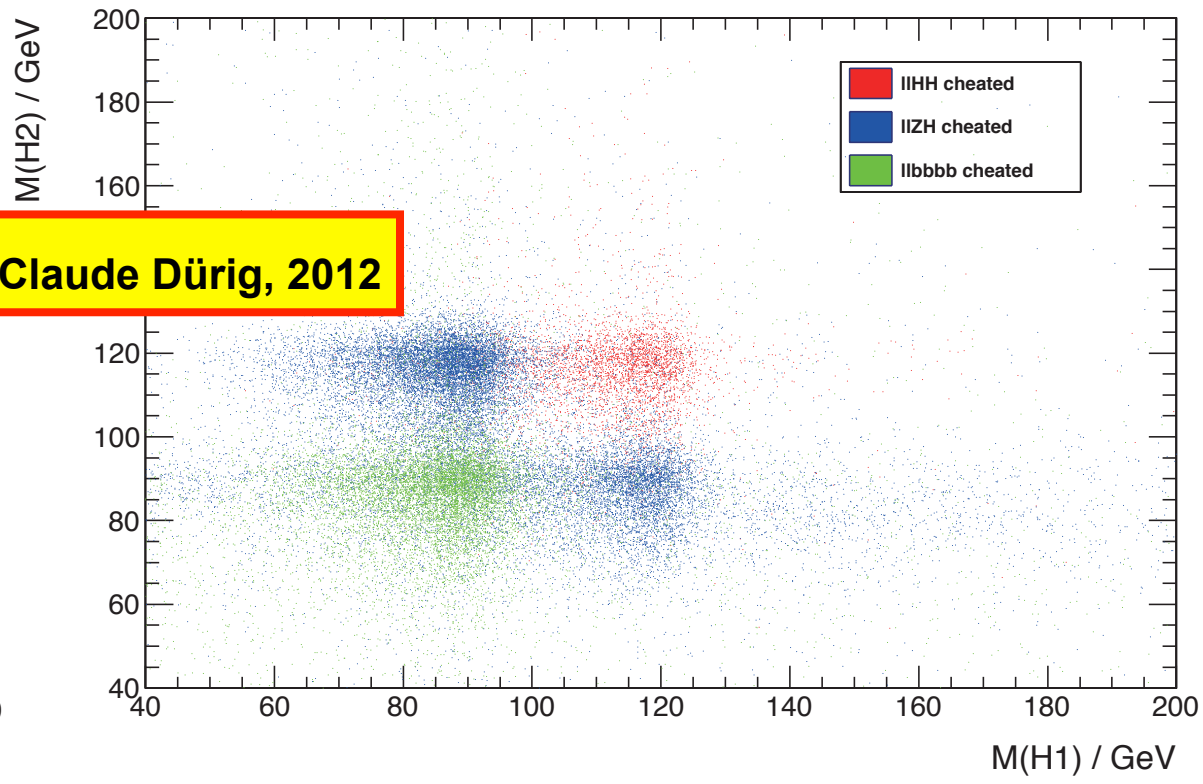

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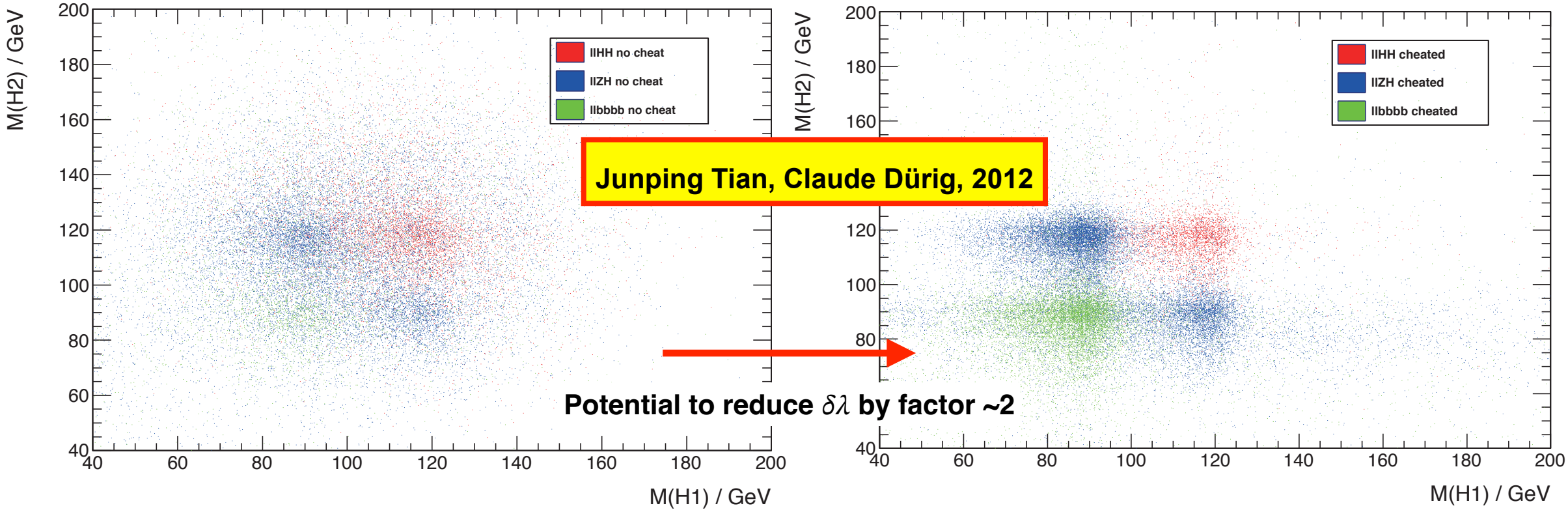

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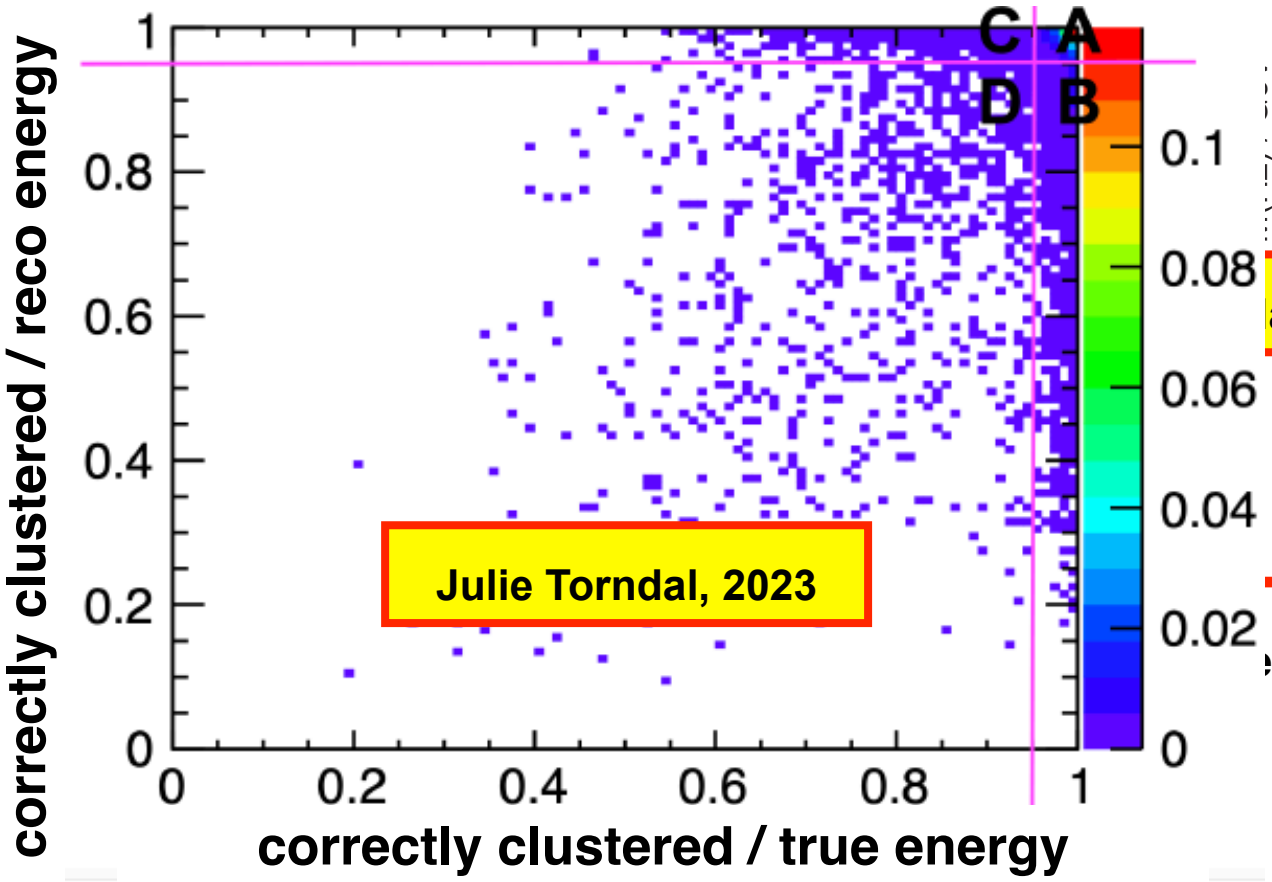

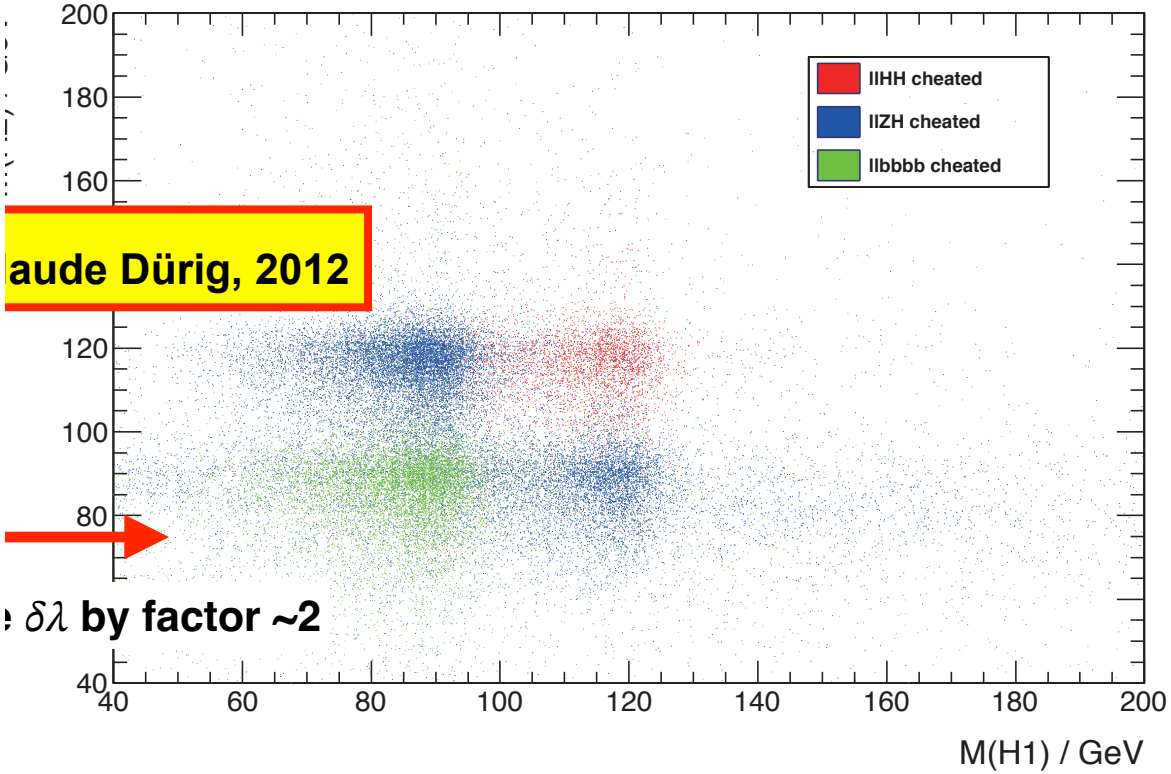

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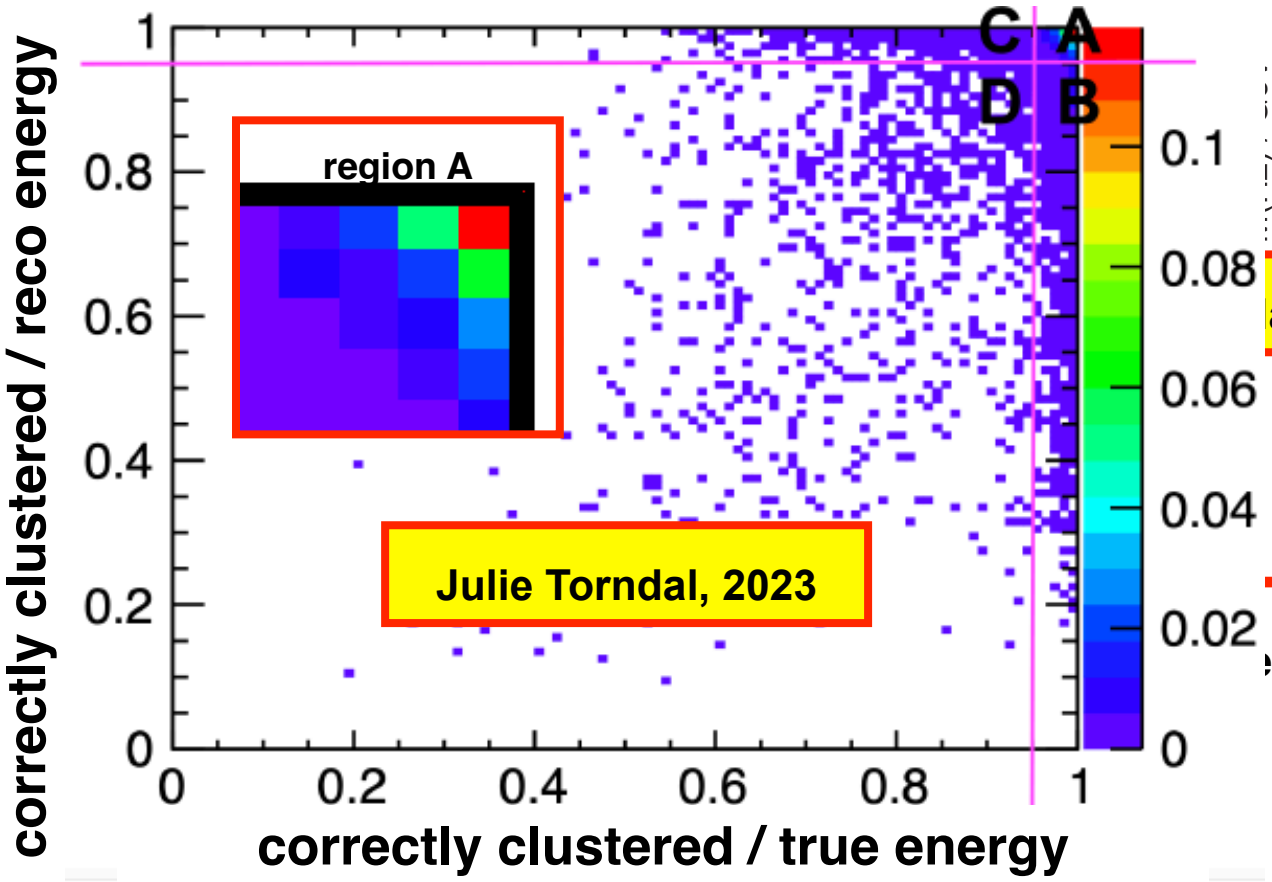

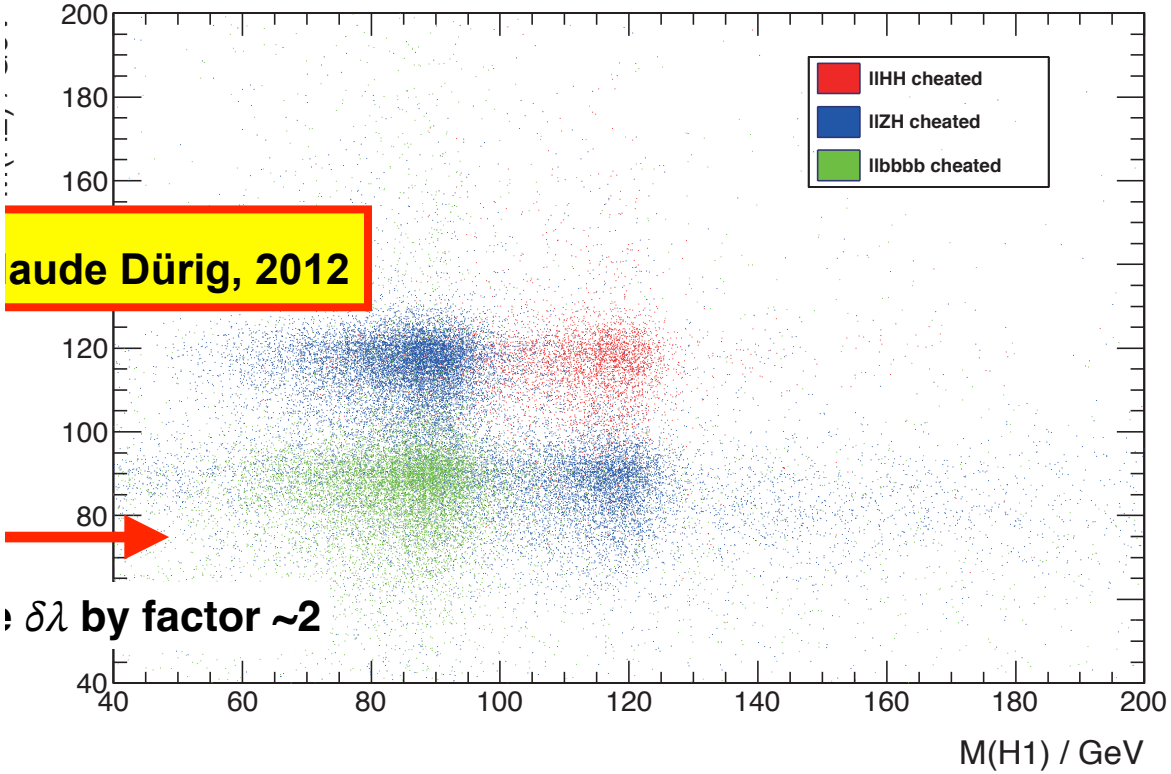

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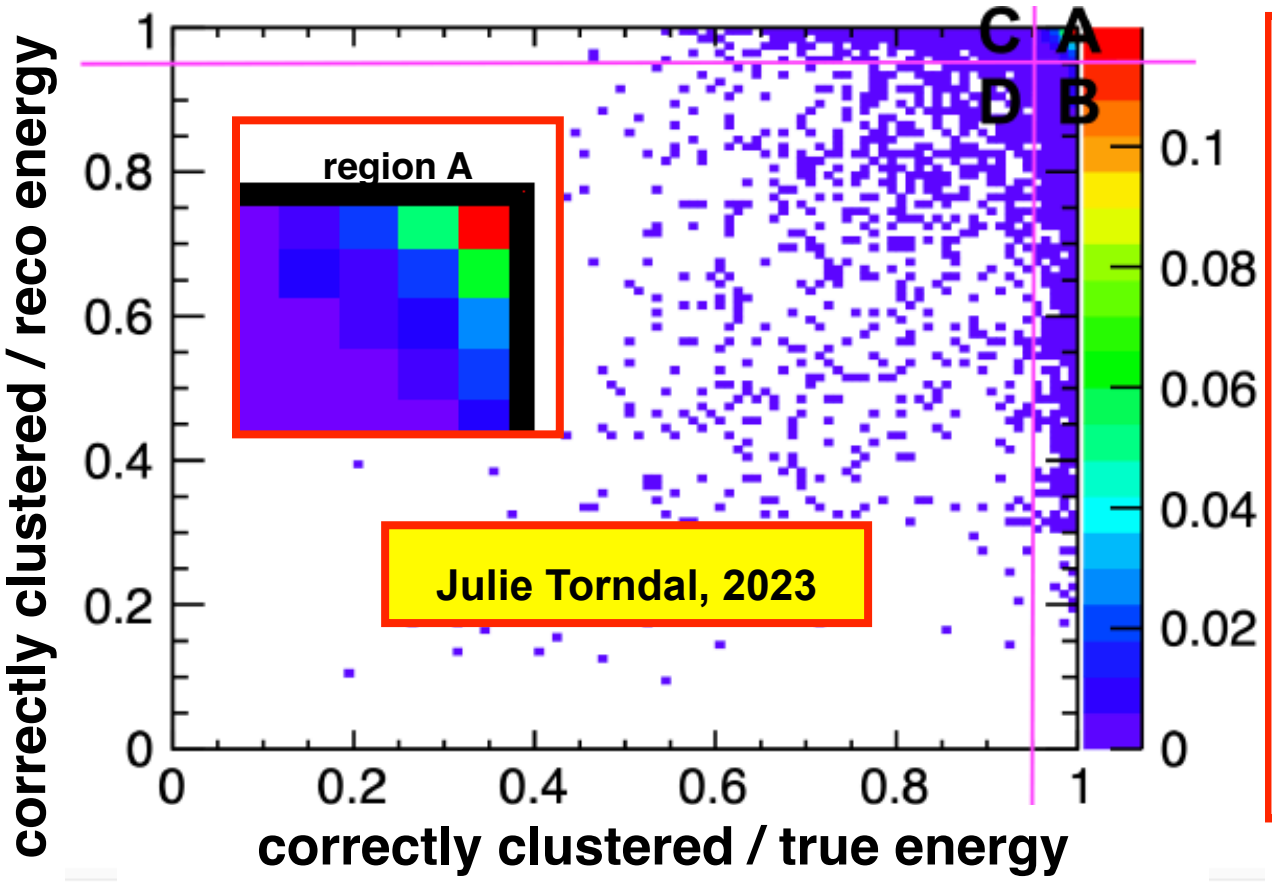

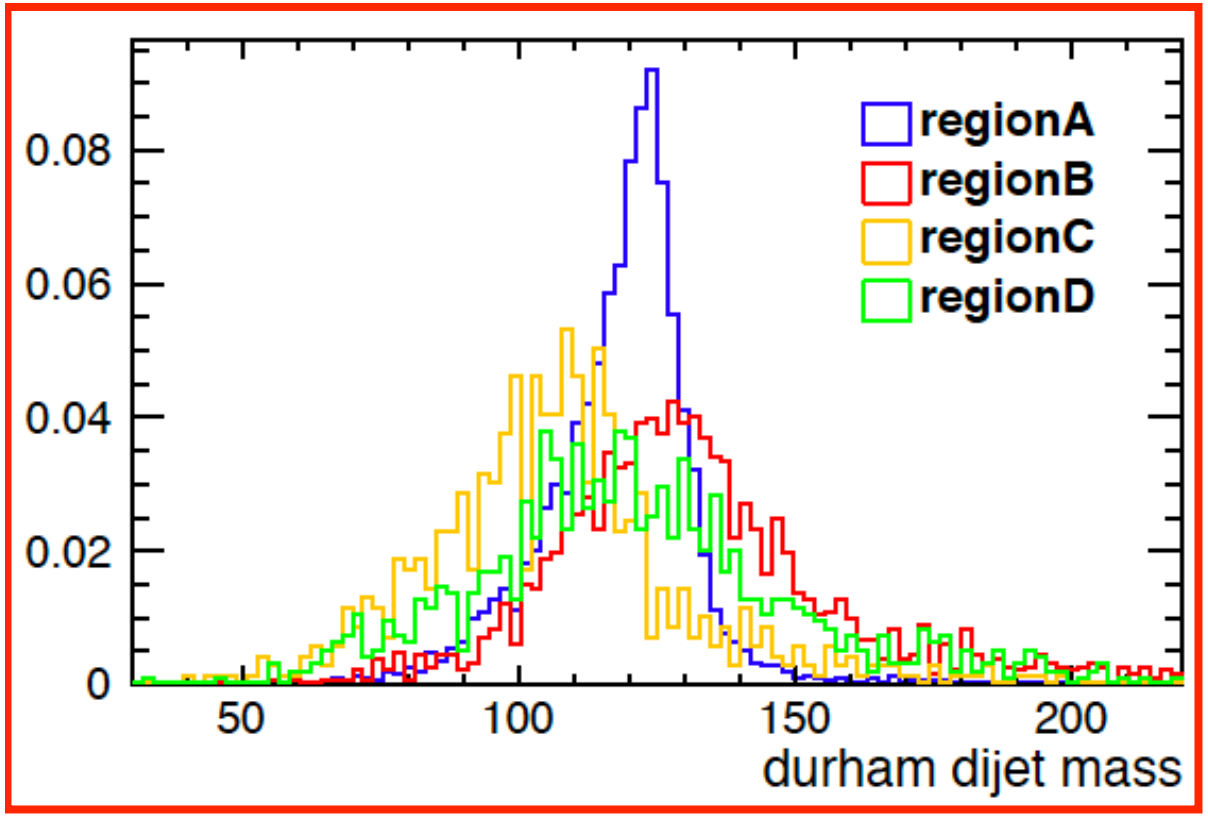

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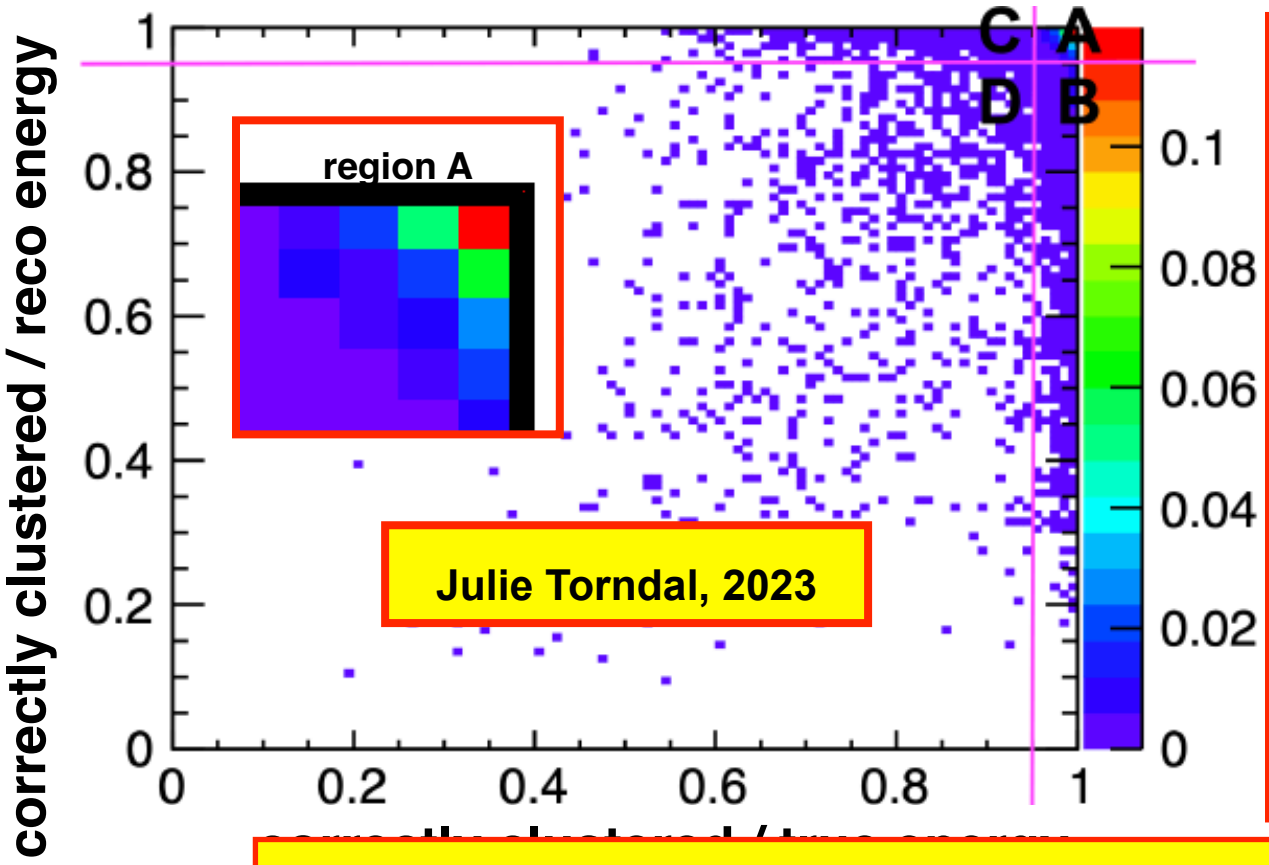

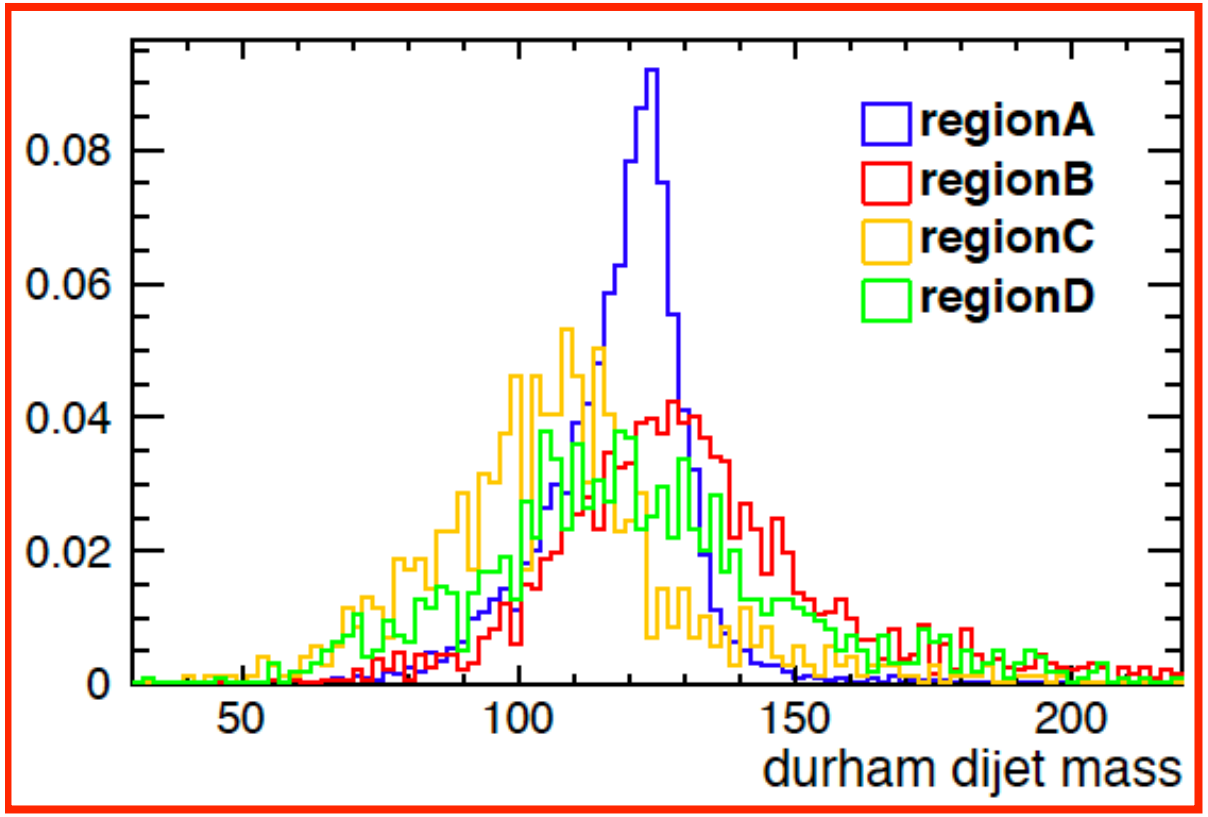

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which additional detector information would help?

This has the potential to reduce $\delta\lambda/\lambda$(SM) from 20% to 10% !

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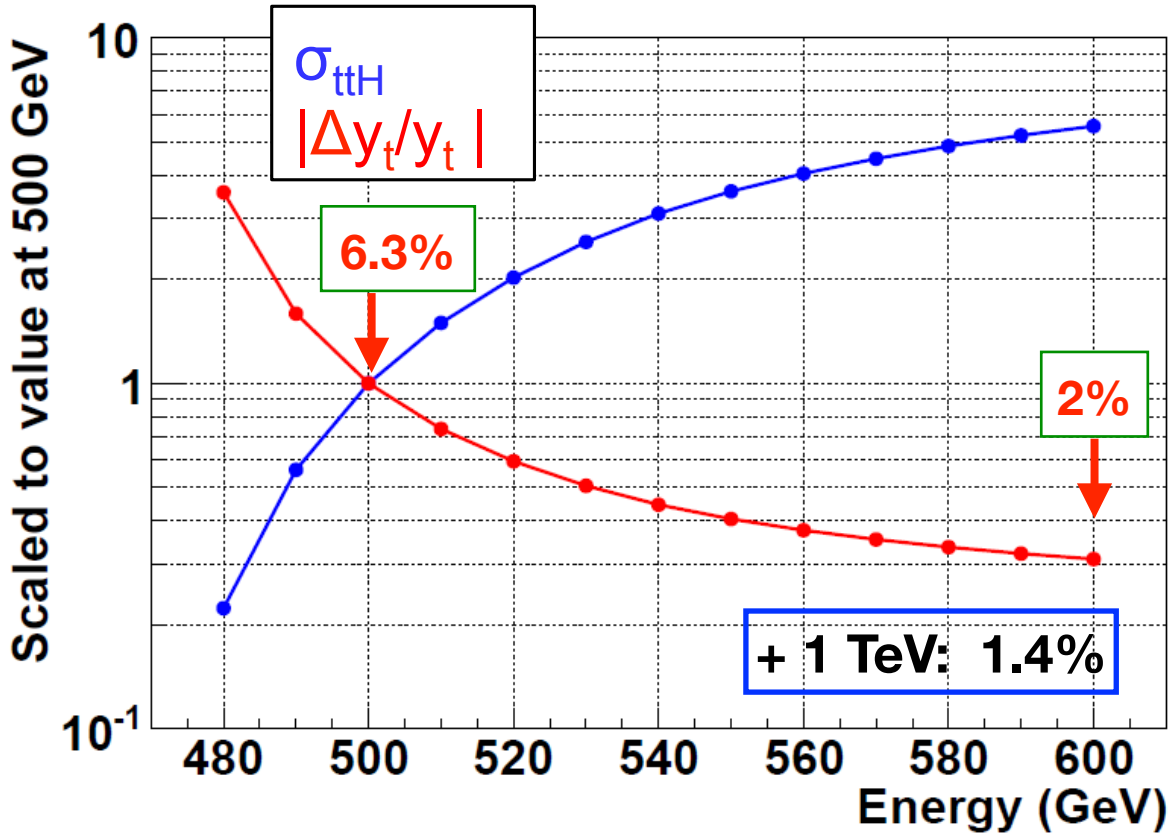

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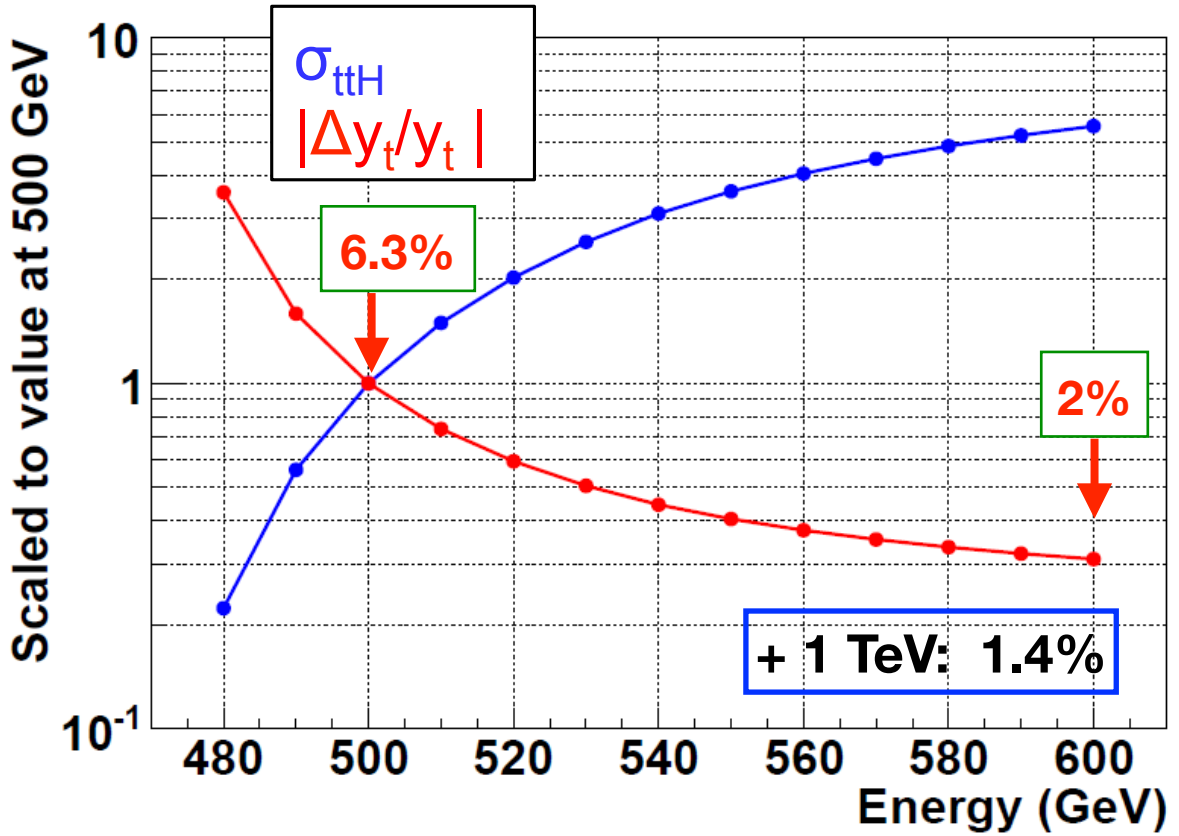

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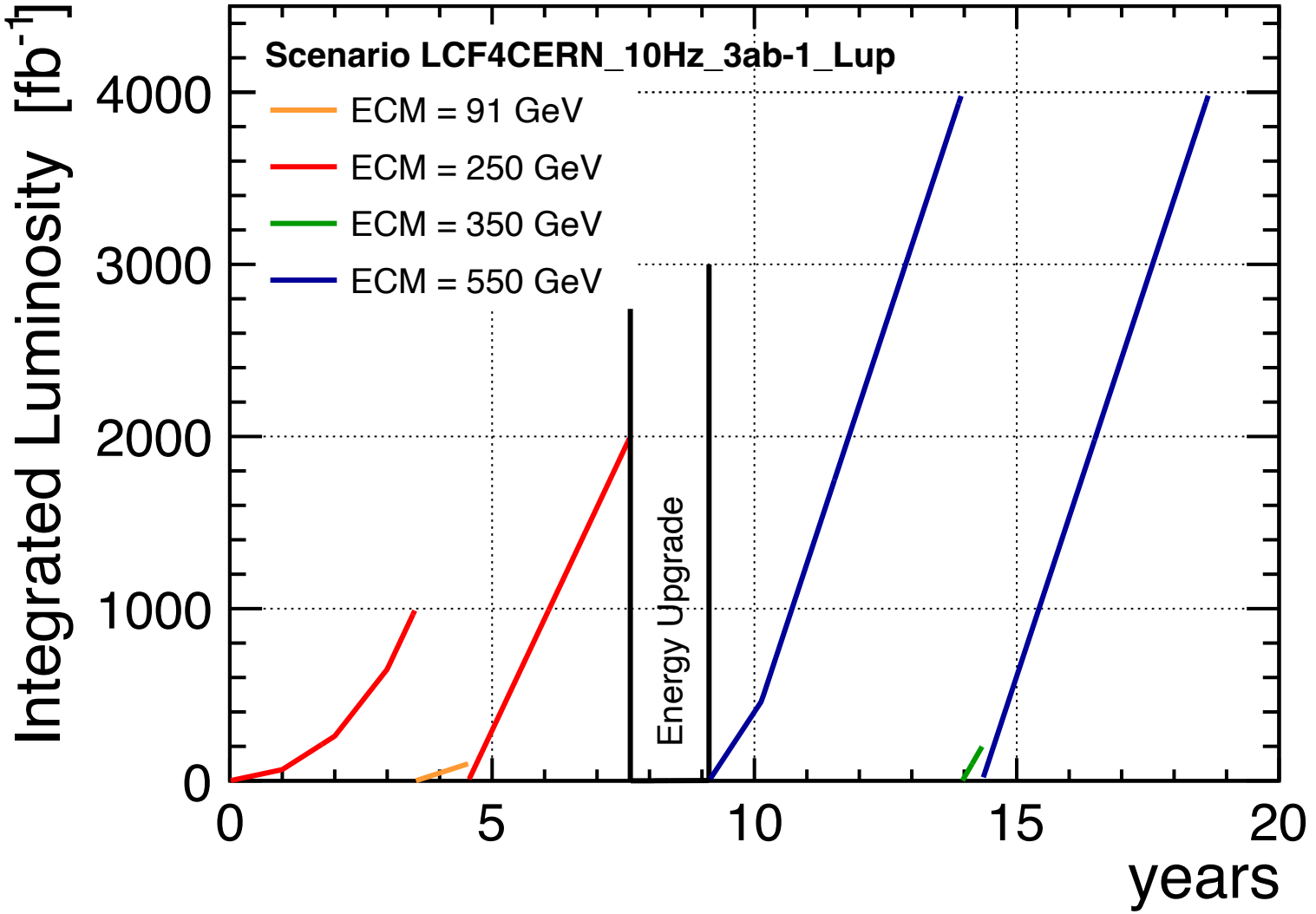

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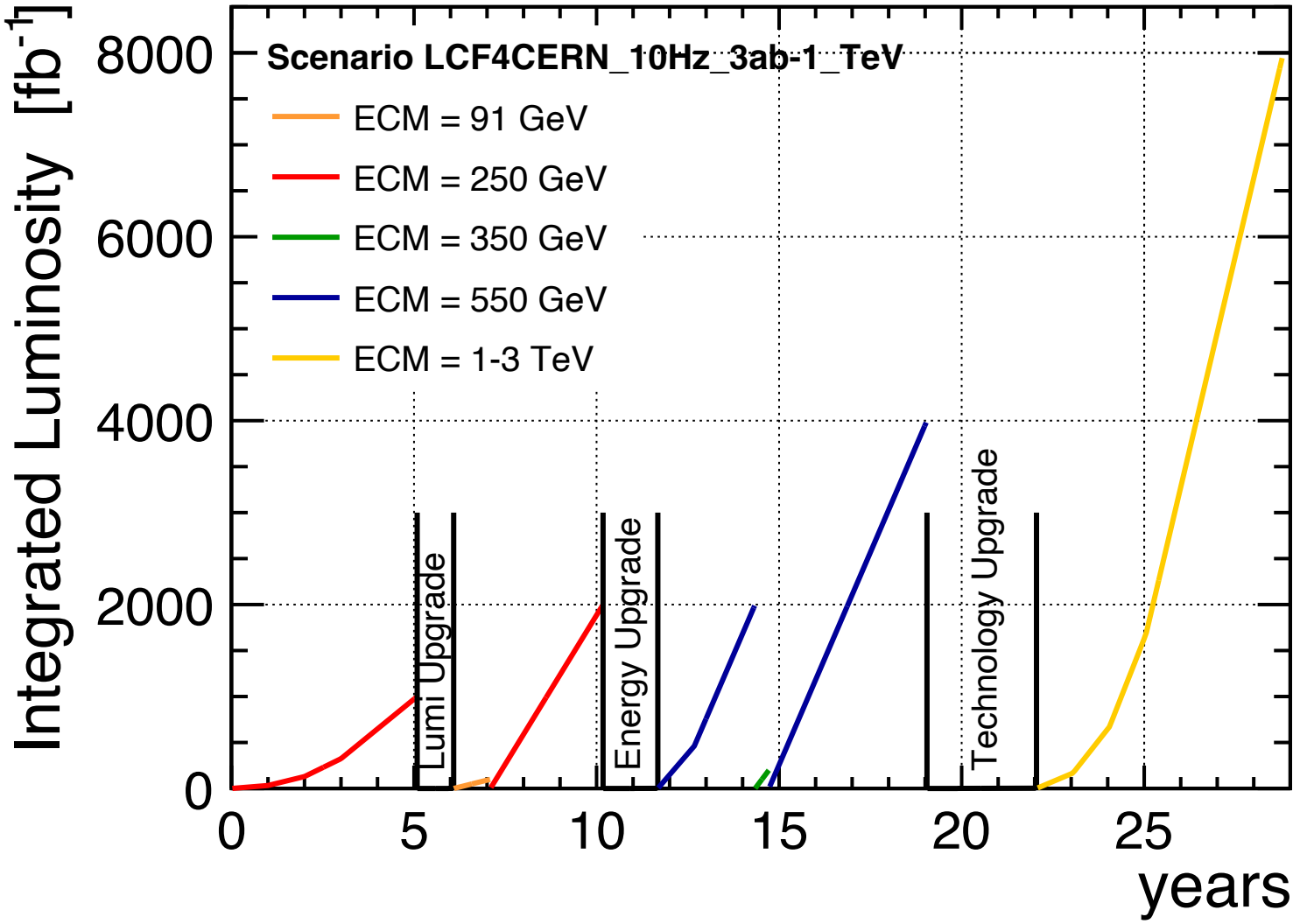

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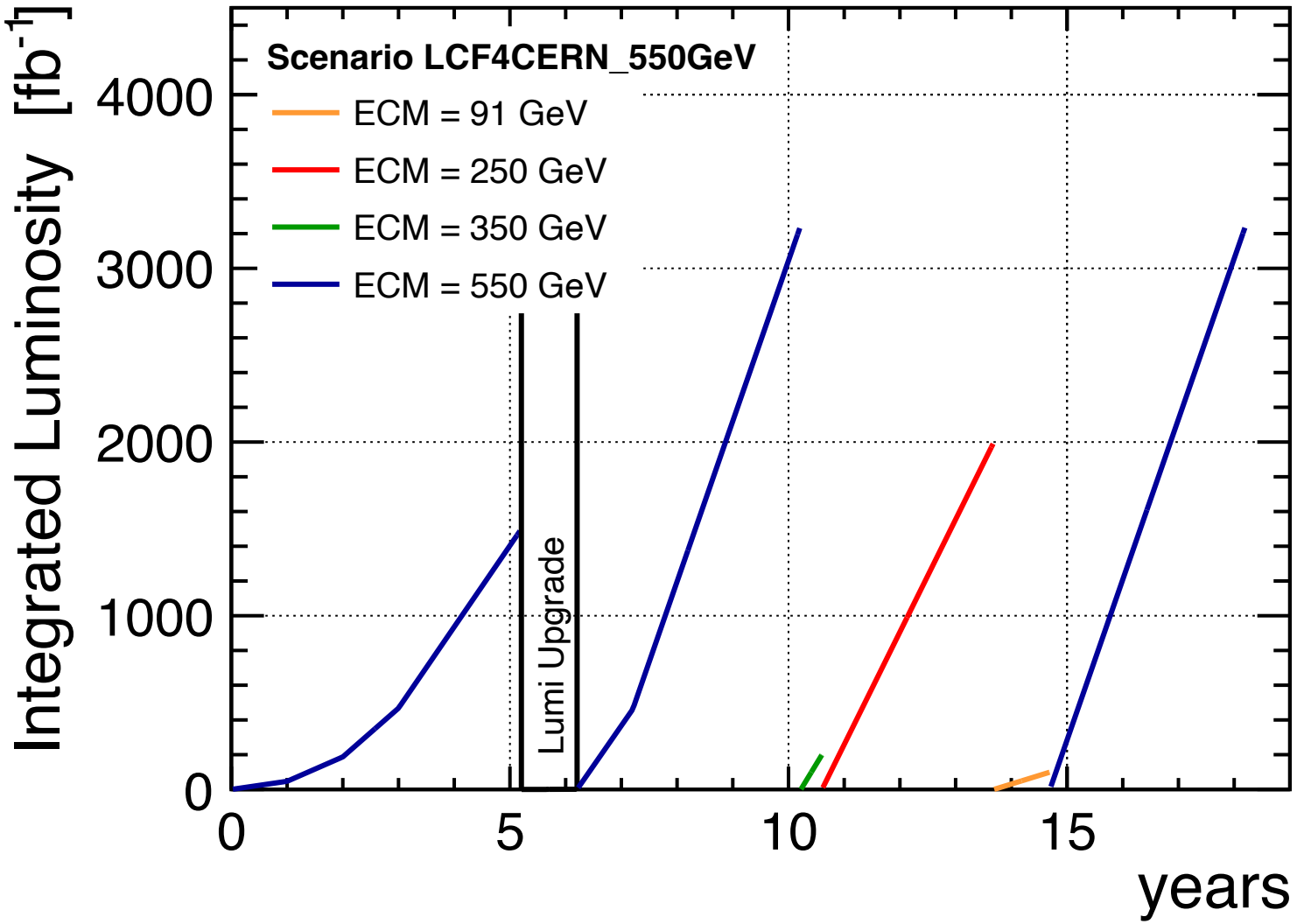

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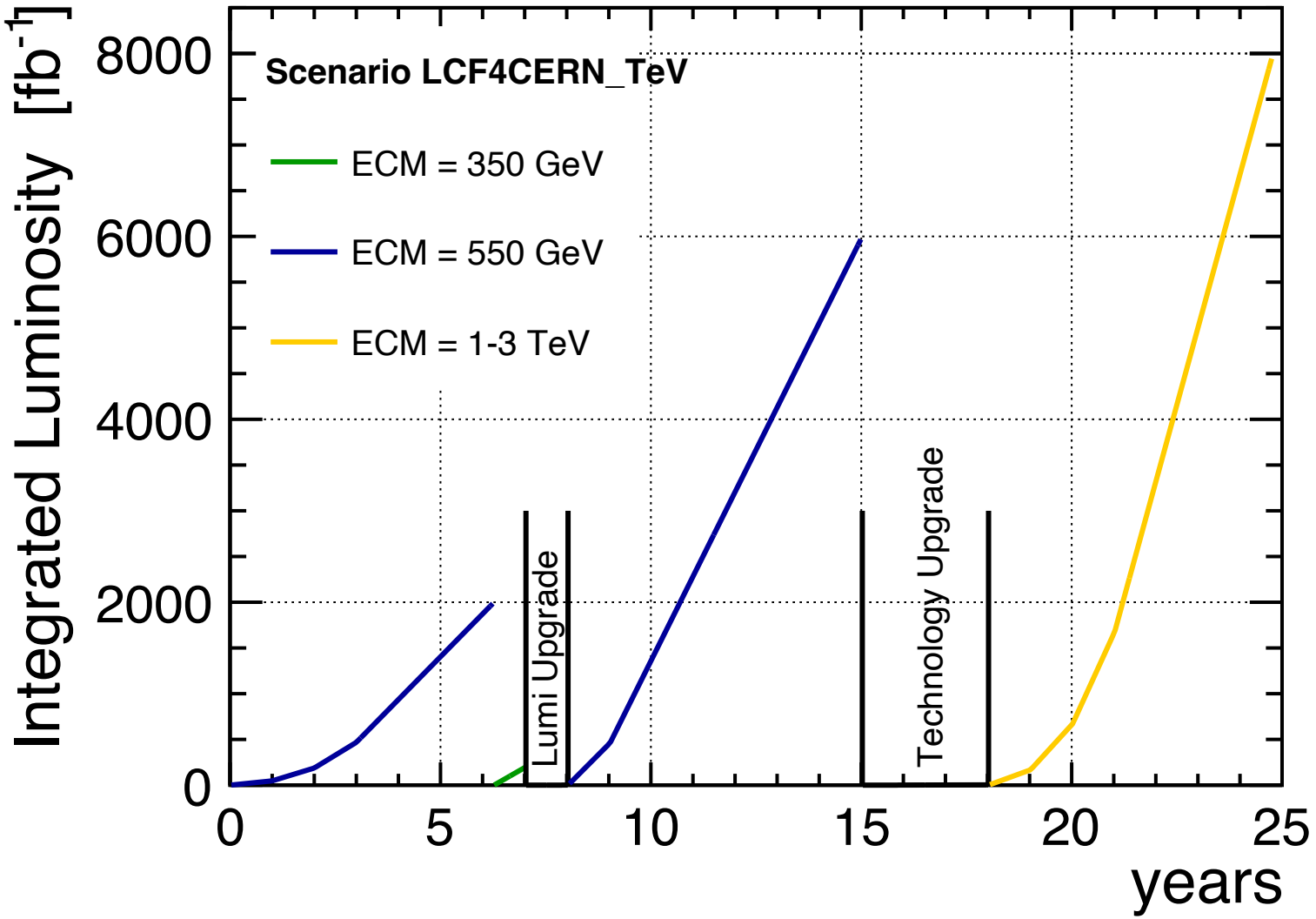

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