Muon Collider: Challenges and **Benefits**

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Decision Point

- **HL LHC upgrade to LHC complex under construction**
	- Order of magnitude improvement in luminosity
	- First data 2029
- **Strong future hides a growing challenge**
	- No clear winner for next generation in energy reach
	- Options look costly, in money and electricity consumption
- Lead time is 25 years for next collider must start now

Back to the Future...

- Effort to explore phenomena at higher and higher energies
- **Corresponds to smaller scales**
- Higher energy \rightarrow bigger, more expensive, more power hungry
- How to move forward?

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E.g. circular colliders

- Tevatron
	- 1.96 TeV proton antiproton
	- 6.2 km circumference
- **LEP/LHC**
	- 14 TeV proton proton (LHC)
	- \blacksquare 209 GeV e⁺e⁻ (LEP)
	- **27 km circumference**
- **FCC & CepC (proposed)**
	- $-90 350$ GeV e⁺e⁻
	- 100 TeV proton-proton
	- 90-100 km circumference

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Tevatron

E.g. linear colliders

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- SLAC (California)
	- 3 km length
	- -90 GeV e⁺e⁻
- **ILC** (proposed)
	- $-31 km$
	- -500 GeV e⁺e⁻
- **CLIC** (proposed)
	- $-$ 380 GeV e⁺e⁻
	- -11 km
	- Upgradeable to 3 TeV

Electron-positron colliders

- **•** Circular e⁺e machines limited by synchrotron radiation
	- Power emitted \sim E⁴/m⁴
	- Practically limits centre-of-mass energy to \sim 100s GeV
- **Linear e**⁺e machines limited by available RF acceleration
	- Practically limits centre-of-mass energy to \sim 100s GeV

What about protons?

- Proton collision energy is shared between quarks
	- Effective energy significantly reduced
- **Seek a particle which**
	- I Is not so low mass as an electron
	- Is a fundamental particle
- **Muons!**

Muons

Le bestiaire Quarks Leptons **Bosons** Up Down Electron Neutrino Photon Gluon Charm Strange Neutrino Muon W Z^0 W^+ Muor \mathcal{C} Top Beauty Tau Neutrino Tau Higgs Graviton CERN)

- **Muon**
	- \blacksquare Half-life 2.2 μs
	- **Mass 105.658 MeV/c**
	- **207 times electron mass**
- **What would a muon collider look like?**

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The Muon Collider

Muon Collider

Muon Collider

- MW-class proton driver → target
- **Pions produced; decay to muons**
- **Muon capture and cooling**
- **Acceleration to TeV & Collisions**
- **Critical Issues:**
	- Short muon lifetime & decay
	- Large initial muon beam emittance

MuC Target

- Protons on target \rightarrow pions \rightarrow muons
	- **Graphite target takes proton beam to produce pions**
		- Back up options under investigation
	- \blacksquare Heavily shielded, very high field solenoid captures π^+ and π^-
- **Challenge: Solid target and windows lifetime**
- **Challenge: Energy deposition and shielding of solenoid**

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Buncher/Phase Rotator

Drift to develop energy-time relation

High energy bunches decelerated

Low energy bunches accelerated

Phase rotator misphase RF

Buncher adiabatically ramp RF voltages

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Muon Cooling

- First acceleration use linac
	- Get highest real-estate gradient
- At higher energies recirculate through the linac
	- **More efficient use of equipment**
	- Need to pay attention to (mis)focusing effects and timing with RF

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Pulsed Synchrotrons

- At higher energy, can use synchrotrons
	- Ramp magnets in synchronisation with increasing beam energy
	- Need extremely fast ramp < few ms
	- To keep ring compact, use combination of
		- **Fixed superconducting and**
		- **Pulsed normal conducting magnets**
	- **Shielding components from decay losses**

Collider ring

- Luminosity increases for shorter $\sqrt{\beta_{xy}(m)}$ collider ring
	- Seek to achieve highest possible mean dipole field
	- Low radius, many bunch crossings before decay
- Luminosity increases for tight final focusing
	- Correction for chromatic aberrations \rightarrow focusing strength vs energy
	- Require very short bunches → whole bunch at the focus at same time

Muon Collider Detector

- **Muon collider**
	- Rather standard detector arrangement
	- **Based on e⁺e** detector

Parameters

Challenges

Challenges

- What are the challenges?
	- Neutrino beams
	- Rapid acceleration
	- Interaction region and beam induced background
	- Muon production
	- Time scale
- As we will see all of these challenges can be met with current or next-generation equipment
	- But putting this together is entirely novel

Neutrino beams

- Muon decay
	- $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \overline{\nu}_{\mu} + \nu_{e}$
- **Neutrinos are highly penetrating**
- Neutrino beam opening angle $\approx 1/\gamma$
	- Width [m] = 0.1 Baseline length [km]/Muon Energy [TeV]
- **Multi-TeV ν make a weak neutron shower**
	- The v beam must be spread out so that the shower is comparable with existing particle accelerators
		- ALARA: "As Low As Reasonably Achievable"
		- **Far below any legal limit**
	- **-** Absolutely highest priority of IMCC

Acceleration efficiency

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- During acceleration, muon lifetime is constantly increasing due to Lorentz time dilation.
- Starting from time dilated radioactive decay:

Acceleration efficiency

$$
\frac{dN}{dt} = -\frac{1}{\gamma \tau_{\mu}} N = -\frac{m_{\mu}c^2}{E \tau_{\mu}} N
$$

We want acceleration efficiency with energy

dt dE dE dN dE $\delta_{\tau}E$

 $dN \, dt$

 dN

$$
\frac{dE}{dt} = \overline{V} c
$$

Change in γ in muon lifetime: $\delta_{\tau} = q \overline{V} \tau_{\mu}/mc$

• Integrate
 $N_{\pm}=N_{0\pm}$ - $1/\delta_\tau$ $\left(\frac{E}{E_0}\right)$

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Acceleration efficiency

Chaining multiple acceleration stages

$$
\eta_{\tau} = \frac{N_{\pm}}{N_{0\pm}} = \prod_{i} \left(\frac{E_{i+1}}{E_i}\right)^{-1/\delta_{\tau,i}}
$$

- Seek to accelerate from 0.2 GeV to 5 TeV
- \blacksquare $\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{f}}/\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{i}}$ = 2.5e4
- Average gradient ~ 10 MV/m $\rightarrow 84$ % survival rate
- Average gradient ~ 1 MV/m $\rightarrow 19$ % survival rate
- Compare with ILC \rightarrow 23 MV/m
	- But we don't want to use a linac all the way to 10 TeV!
- Compare with Fermilab booster \rightarrow 10⁻³ MV/m
	- **But this is designed to work with (stable) protons**
- Can we design an accelerator that can give sufficient gradient?

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- **Beam induced background (BIB) arising due to muon decays**
- Shield detector from direct radiation
- **Timing cut to remove background**
- **Background comparable to High Luminosity LHC**

Muon Production

- To produce muons with high beam brightness
- Muon target must be immersed in strong magnet field
	- Superconducting magnets do not like radiation!
- Muon beam must be cooled by many orders of magnitude
	- Ionisation cooling technology has barely been demonstrated
	- Very strong solenoids are required
	- RF cavities don't like magnetic fields
- **This all looks very hard**
	- Lots of work to demonstrate the technologies

Muon Collider - Timeline

Benefits - It's All About Luminosity

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Luminosity

 $\Delta \mathfrak{L} =$

- **Luminosity** is key challenge
	- Number of events per cross-section per time
	- Diffuse beam \rightarrow low chance of particles colliding \rightarrow low luminosity
- Change in integrated luminosity per beam jth crossing

 μ^* or μ^- on j^{th} crossing

 σ_{\perp} = size of the beam in x/y

… assume cylindrical symmetry

- What drives luminosity? Can we relate luminosity to
	- Repetition rate of accelerator

 $\frac{N_{+,j}N_{-}}{4\pi\sigma_{+}^{2}}$

- Efficiency of muon creation
- Proton beam parameters
- Etc

Luminosity – stored muons (1)

$$
\varDelta \mathfrak{L} = \frac{N_{+,j}N_{-,j}}{4\pi \sigma_{\perp}^2}
$$

The number of particles is always falling due to muon decay

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Luminosity – stored muons (2)

Luminosity (change in integrated luminosity per time)

 $\mathfrak{L}=f_r n_b$ \sum

Number of bunches per acceleration cycle

Repetition rate (number of acceleration cycles per second)

 $j=0$

$$
\mathfrak{L} = f_r n_b \frac{N_+N_-}{4\pi \sigma_\perp^2} \sum_{j=0}^\infty \exp\left(-\frac{4\pi R}{\gamma c \tau_\mu} j\right)
$$

Luminosity – stored muons (3)

$$
\mathfrak{L} = f_r n_b \frac{N_+N_-}{4\pi \sigma_\perp^2} \sum_{j=0}^\infty \exp\left(-\frac{4\pi R}{\gamma c \tau_\mu}j\right)
$$

Assuming muon lifetime is long compared to ring time-of-flight

$$
\mathfrak{L} \approx f_r n_b \frac{N_+ N_-}{(4\pi)^2 \sigma_\perp^2} \frac{\gamma c \tau_\mu}{R} \frac{R = p/(e\bar{B}) \approx \gamma m_\mu c/(e\bar{B})}{R}
$$

So

$$
\mathfrak{L} \approx f_r n_b \frac{N_+N_-}{(4\pi)^2 \sigma_\perp^2} \frac{\tau_\mu e \bar{B}}{m_\mu}.
$$
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Luminosity – Facility efficiency

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Luminosity – $\sigma_{\perp}(1)$

Luminosity – σ_{\perp} (2)

- Hour glass effect
	- Even for collider ring with super small β*
	- Small β* means short focal length
	- Region of overlap is very short
	- Bunch needs to be short as well!
- Introduce hour-glass factor f_{ho}
- \blacksquare Relates the effective to lattice β^* **■** If σ _z = β* β_{eff}^* = β *f hg* * *
	- Hour-glass factor is 0.76

$$
\sigma_{\perp} = \sqrt{\frac{m_{\mu} c \sigma_z \varepsilon_{\perp}}{p f_{hg}}}
$$

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Definition of longitudinal emittance

 $\varepsilon_l = \gamma m_\mu c^2 \sigma_\delta \sigma_z$ So
 $\sigma_{\perp} = \frac{\varepsilon_l \varepsilon_{\perp}}{p f_{hq} \gamma c \sigma_s}$ $\sigma_{\perp} = \sqrt{\frac{m_{\mu} c \sigma_z \varepsilon_{\perp}}{p f_{hg}}}$

Recalling the expression for luminosity and N

$$
\mathfrak{L} \approx f_r n_b \frac{N_+N_-}{(4\pi)^2 \sigma_\perp^2} \frac{\tau_\mu e \bar{B}}{m_\mu} . \qquad N_\pm = \frac{\eta_\tau \eta_\pm P_p}{n_b f_r}
$$

Bringing everything together

 $\mathfrak{L} \approx \underbrace{e \tau_{\mu}}_{\textstyle (4 \pi m_{\mu} c)^2} \underbrace{f_{hg} \sigma_{\delta} \bar{B}}_{\textstyle \varepsilon_{\perp} \varepsilon_{L} n_{b} f_{r}} \underbrace{\eta_{+} \eta_{-} (\eta_{\tau} P_{p} \gamma m_{\mu} c^2)^2}_{\textstyle \sim}$ K_L P_+P_- Facilities Council **ISIS Neutron and Muon Source**

1) Luminosity increases with the square of muon energy/power

- Number of collisions per bunch increases as muon lifetime increases
- **Beam size decreases as energy increases (geometric emittance)**
- 2) High field, low circumference collider ring \rightarrow more luminosity
	- **Shorter path length, more collisions before muon decay**
- 3) Low repetition rate, few bunches is best
	- Assume that the bottleneck is in the number of protons
	- **Fewer collisions, but each collision is more intense**
- 4) High quality muon source is essential
	- **Low emittance, good capture efficiency**
- 5) Good efficiency acceleration is essential
	- High voltage systems
- The whole muon collider is designed to maximise luminosity!

ITF Report

Report of the Snowmass'21 **Collider Implementation Task Force**

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Abstract

The Snowmass'21 Implementation Task Force has been established to evaluate the proposed future accelerator projects for performance, technology readiness, schedule, cost, and environmental impact. Corresponding metrics has been developed for uniform comparison of the proposals ranging from Higgs/EW factories to multi-TeV lepton, hadron and ep collider facilities, based on traditional and advanced acceleration technologies. This report documents the metrics and processes, and presents evaluations of future colliders performed by Implementation Task Force.

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2208.06030>

- **All numbers have large error bars**
	- A lot of work needed to reduce the errors

Luminosity vs beam power

- **Muon collider offers high luminosity for beam power**
	- **Crossing point with** e^+e^- **at** \sim **TeV**

Technical risk

- PWFA-LC SWFA-LC MC-0.125 MC-10-14 LWFA-LC $_{\rm Coll. Sea}$ $MC-3-6$ FCChh SPPC **RF** Systems High field magnets Fast booster magnets/PSs High power lasers Integration and control Positron source $6D$ μ -cooling elements Inj./extr. kickers Two-beam acceleration e^+ plasma acceleration Emitt. preservation FF/IP spot size/stability High energy ERL Inj./extr. kickers High power target Proton Driver Beam screen Collimation system Power eff.& consumption
- **Muon collider offers high luminosity for beam power**
	- **Crossing point with** e^+e^- **at** \sim **TeV**

Cost & power

Muon collider offers high luminosity for beam power

Crossing point with e^+e^- **at** \sim **TeV**

Non-Collider Physics

- Low energy muon beams are in high demand
	- Fundamental science \rightarrow messengers from high energy
	- Production of precision neutrino beams
	- Muons for material sciences
- **To date applications are limited by the available beams**
	- More in the next lecture
- **The muon collider can support a programme of non-collider** high energy physics
	- I It is vital to support a large part of the fundamental physics community at a future collider

Nuclear Physics

- LHC is a neutrino source
	- Charged current analogue of EIC
	- **Faser2 experiment**
- **Muon collider neutrino beams**
	- **Much higher intensity**
	- **Much better characterised**
	- Expect better resolutions
		- **TBC**

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Proton dump experiments

p dump experiment visible

(charm, NA62, U70)

p dump experiment invisible

- Proton beam dump supports search for
	- Vector state mixing to photon
	- Scalar state mixing to higgs boson
	- Heavy neutral leptons
	- Axion-like particles

Charged Lepton Flavour Violation

- Charged lepton flavour violation \rightarrow messenger of BSM at higher energies
	- Large and pure flux of muons required

Final Thoughts

Final Word

- The muon collider
	- **-** Higher **energy** and luminosity reach than e⁺e colliders
	- **Smaller footprint** than equivalent proton colliders
- Many technical challenges
	- \blacksquare It's a hard machine to build
	- All are manageable with current or near-to-current technologies
	- Must demonstrate practical solutions
- Broad "beyond collider" physics programme
	- More to come in the next lecture
- **Nuon collider can advance particle physics by decades**
	- \blacksquare It is now for us to deliver it

Backup

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Accelerators in Physics

- First accelerators built in 1920s/30s
	- Accelerating protons, ions and electrons
- Antiproton acceleration in 1980s
	- Made possible by stochastic cooling
- Accelerators were originally a tool for fundamental physics
	- Now many uses
- Hadron colliders
	- E.g. LHC
	- "Discovery machines"
- Lepton colliders
	- **E.g. Large Electron Positron Collider (LEP)**
	- "Precision machines"
- Secondary+ particle production
	- Muons, pions, kaons, neutrinos echnology

BIB Characteristics

BIB Rejection

Beam induced background (BIB) arising due to muon decays

