

Physics At The Highest Energies With Colliders

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Thinking "Outside the box" about collider experiments

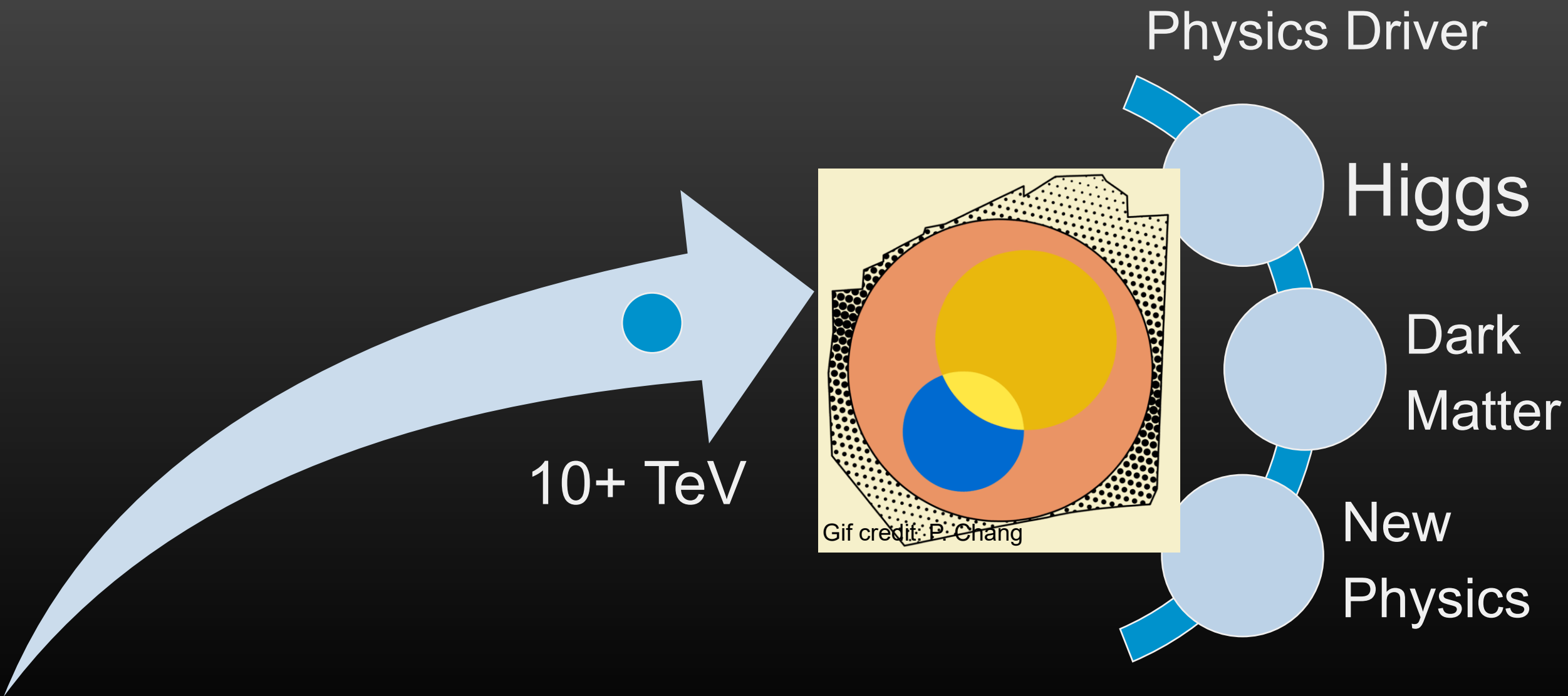
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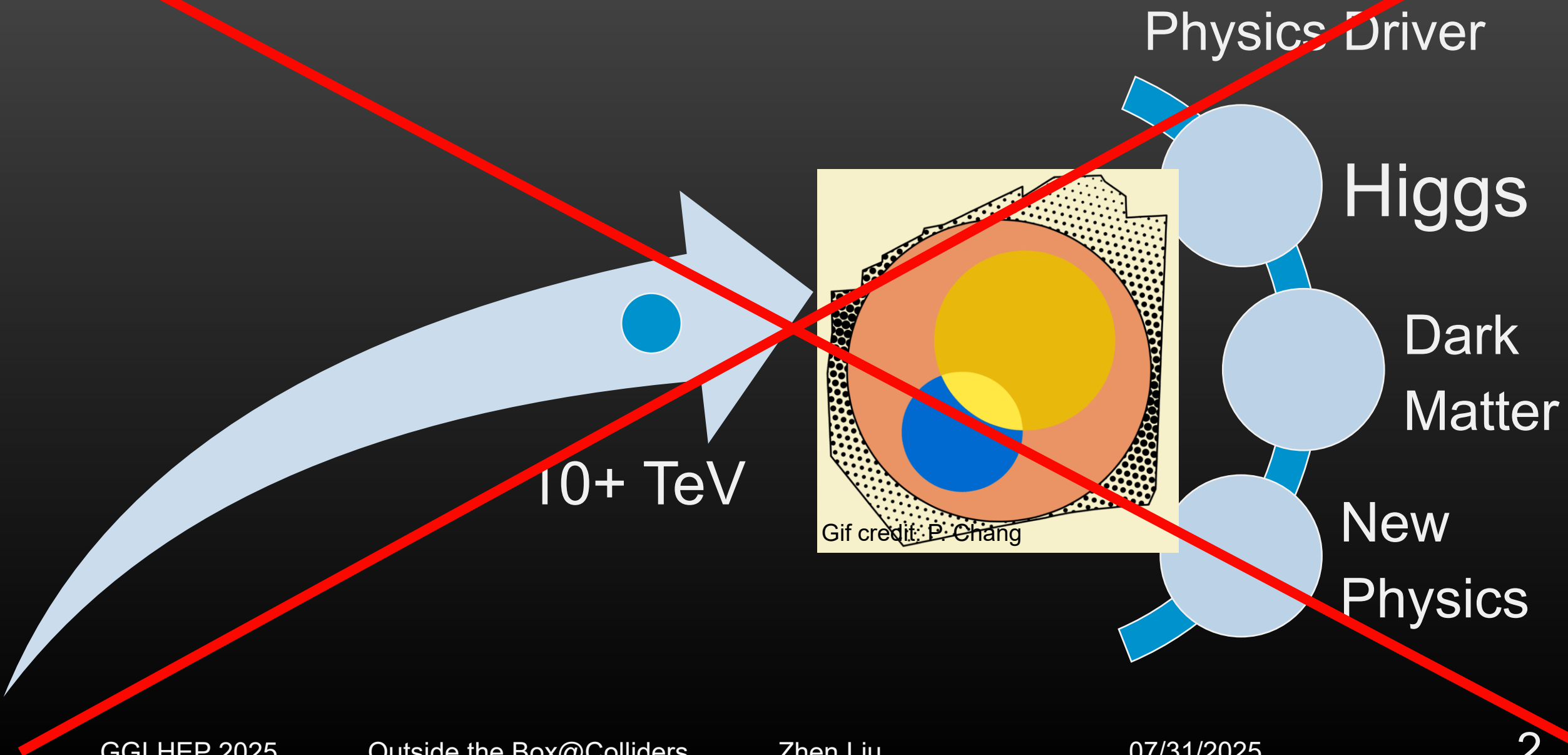
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The Muon Collider

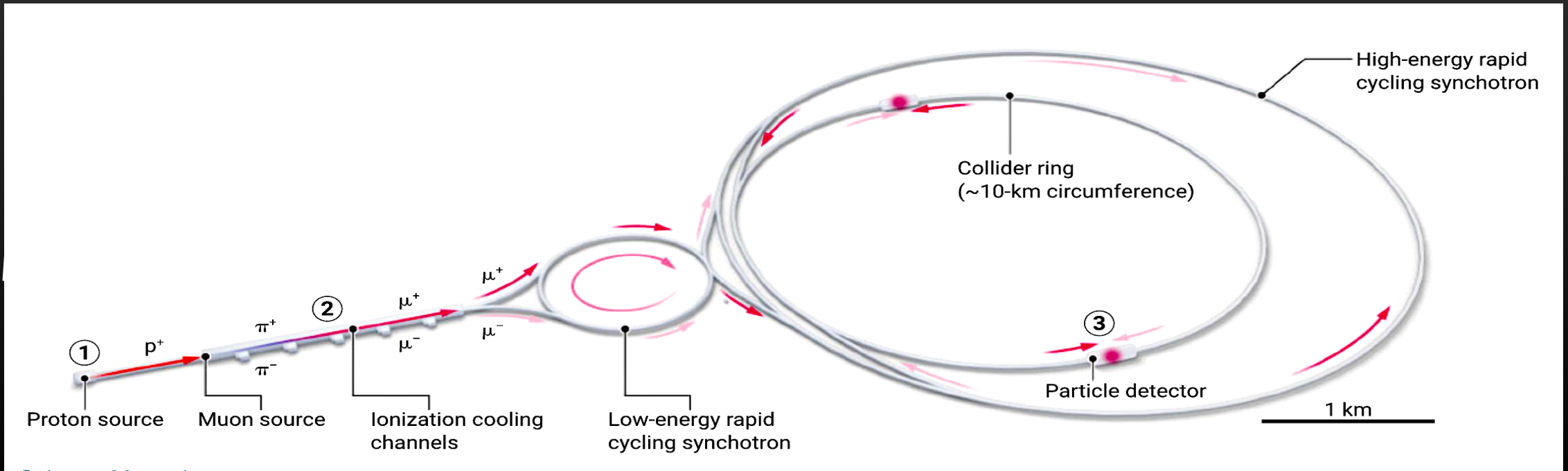
High CM Energy and Low Background

With challenges:

Need to cool and accelerate muons before they decay ($\tau_{\mu}^0 = 2.2\mu s$)

Need to deal with beam-induced backgrounds

...and need a lot of them! $> 10^{12}$ muons/bunch

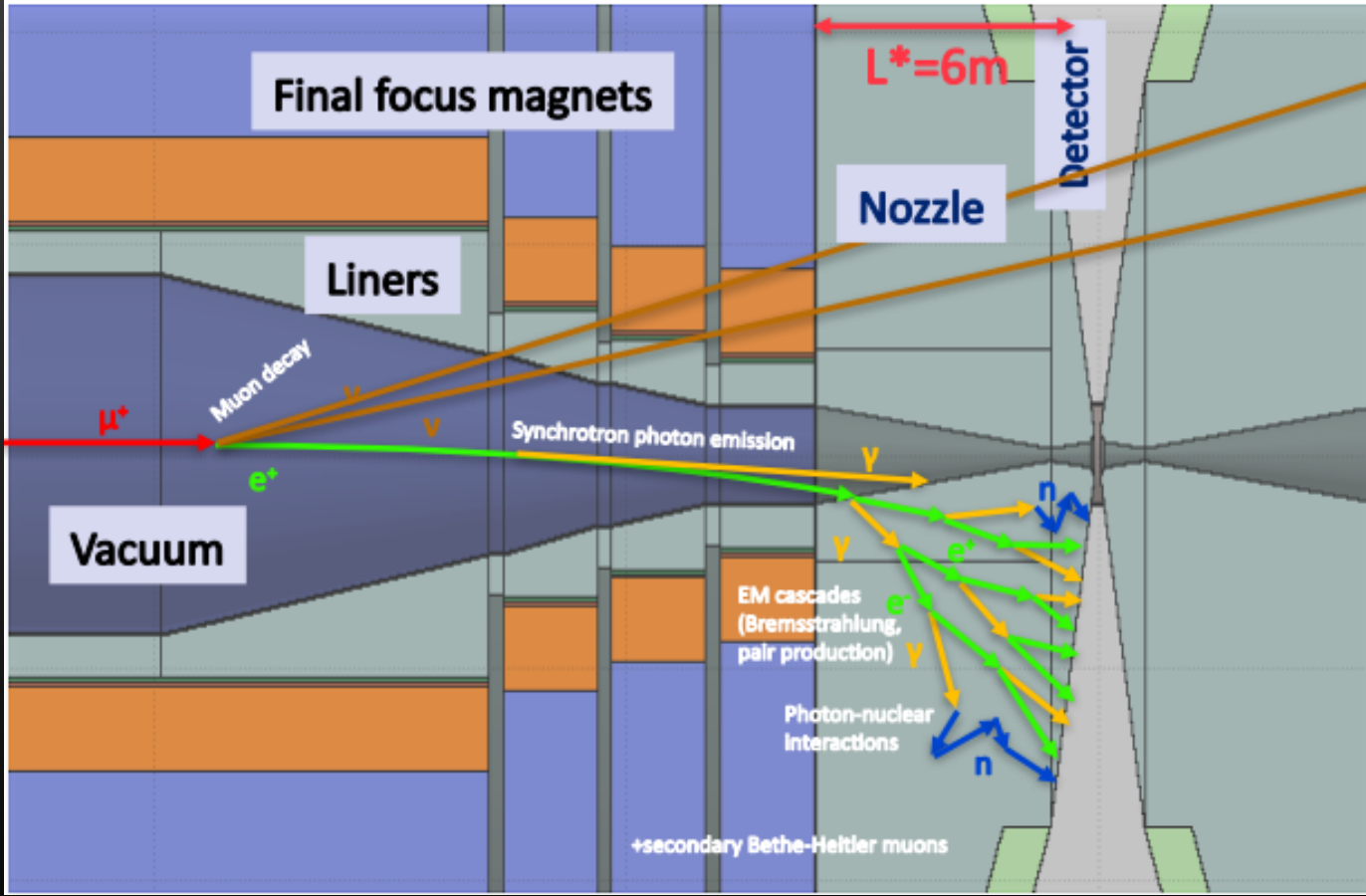


Outside the Box¹

Neutrino Slice

Beam-Induced Background (BIB)

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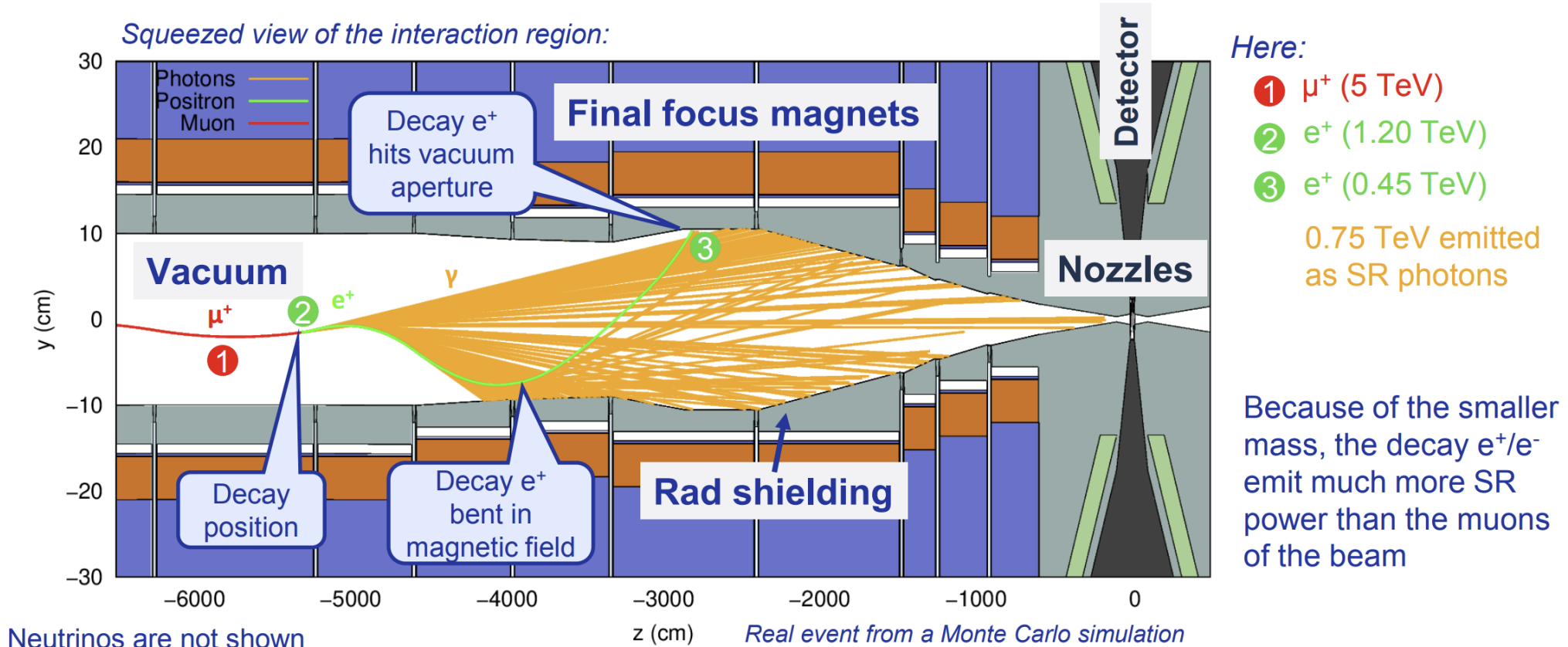


Background particles (from decay) entering detector per bunch crossing (with time cut $[-1:15]\text{ns}$):

- $O(10^8)$ γ (>100 keV),
- $O(10^7)$ n ($>10^{-5}$ eV)
- $O(10^6)$ e^+ & e^- (>100 keV)

Example of a muon decay in the machine

The lower-energy decay e^-/e^+ are overbent by the strong magnetic fields and emit synchrotron radiation (SR)



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Accelerator Systems



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Anton Lechner, first week

**Will happen $O(10M)$ times
per bunch crossing!**

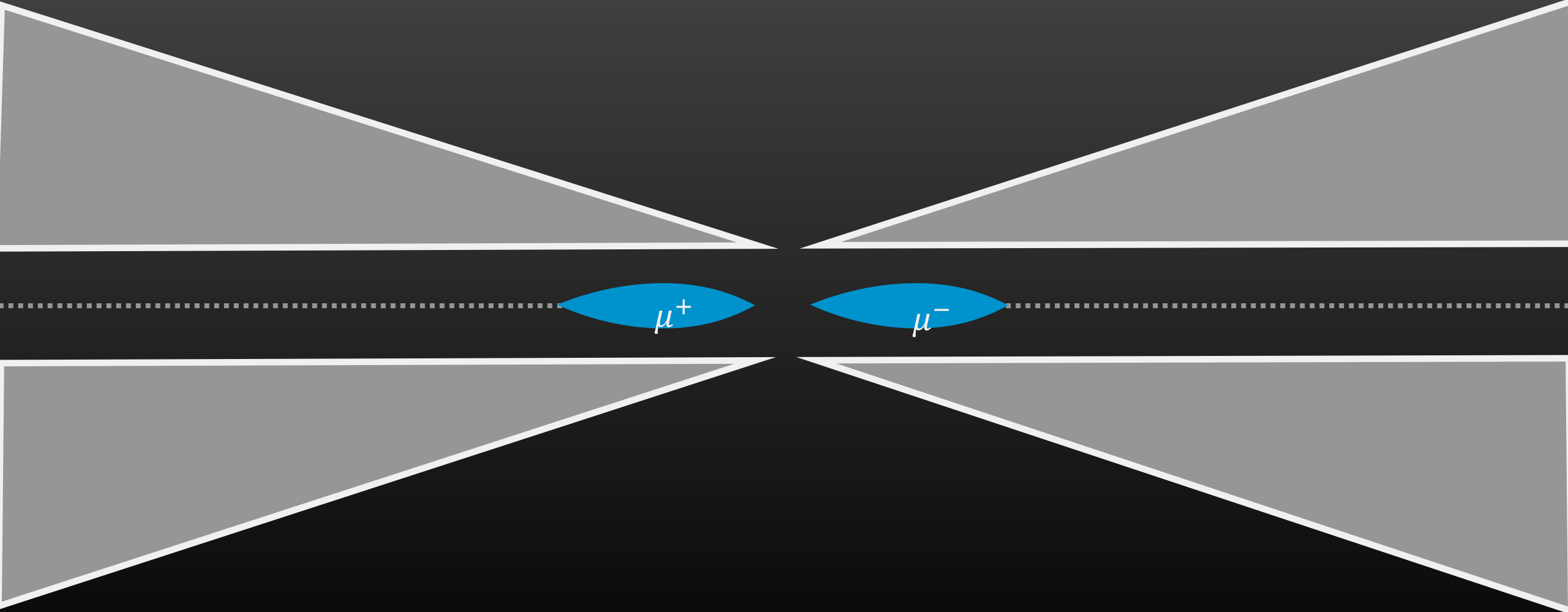
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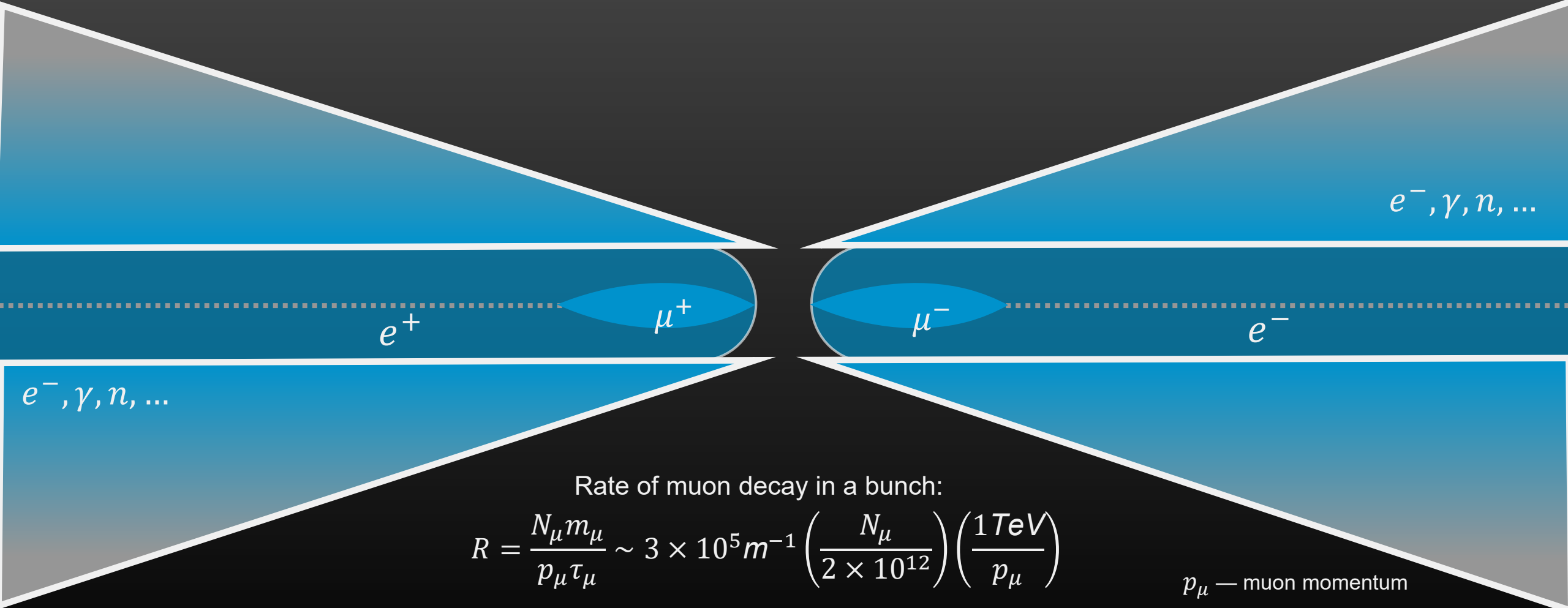
Muon Collider Beam radiation



The first part is mainly based on: Luc Bojorquez-Lopez, Matheus Hostert, Carlos A. Argüelles, Zhen Liu [2412.14115](https://arxiv.org/abs/2412.14115)

Muon Collider

Beam radiation — Beam Induced Backgrounds (BIB)



Rate of muon decay in a bunch:

$$R = \frac{N_\mu m_\mu}{p_\mu \tau_\mu} \sim 3 \times 10^5 m^{-1} \left(\frac{N_\mu}{2 \times 10^{12}} \right) \left(\frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{p_\mu} \right)$$

Bunch rate: 10~30 kHz

p_μ — muon momentum

N_μ — muons in bunch

τ_μ — muon lifetime

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We show the story is different:

There exists a **unique** neutrino flux we need to **tackle** and **utilize**.

Beam-Induced-Neutrinos (BINs)

The most well-characterized ν beam ever built

- Flux normalization & energy dependence are determined with $< 1\%$ precision
- (muon decay is well-understood, so “*just*” need to measure the muon beam current)
- Compare with $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ flux uncertainties in traditional accelerators and forward flux at LHC

Beam-Induced-Neutrinos (BINs)

The highest-energy and most-collimated neutrino beam ever built:

$$\langle E_{\nu}^{\text{FASER}} \rangle \lesssim \langle E_{\nu}^{\text{MuC10TeV}} \rangle \lesssim \langle E_{\nu}^{\text{FCC}} \rangle$$

- Neutrinos are unavoidable byproducts of the machine.
- BINs offer a built-in synergy between **energy frontier** and **neutrino/electroweak** physics.

What are BINs good for?

The energies are too large for oscillations:

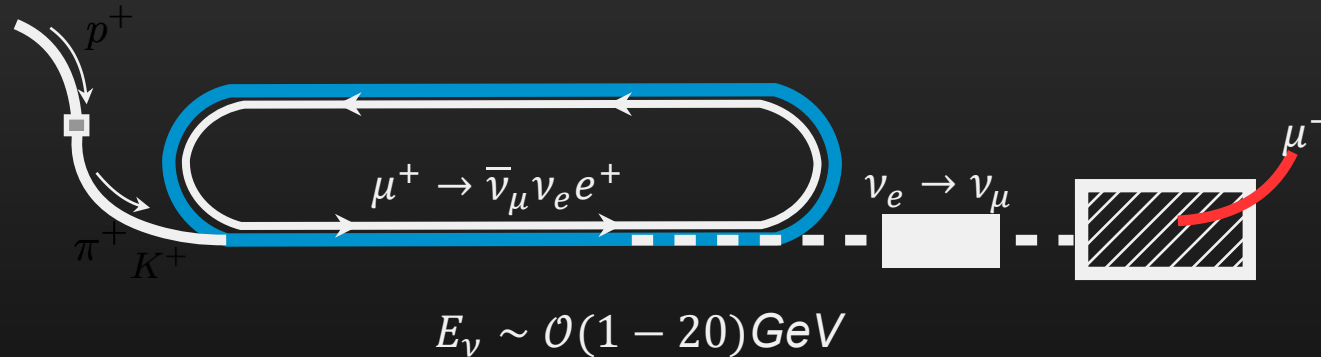
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A lower-energy “**neutrino factory**” would be more suitable for standard oscillations:



- Interesting possibility on its own, but may be even more relevant depending on findings of DUNE & Hyper-K
- Muon Collider Demonstrator Physics?

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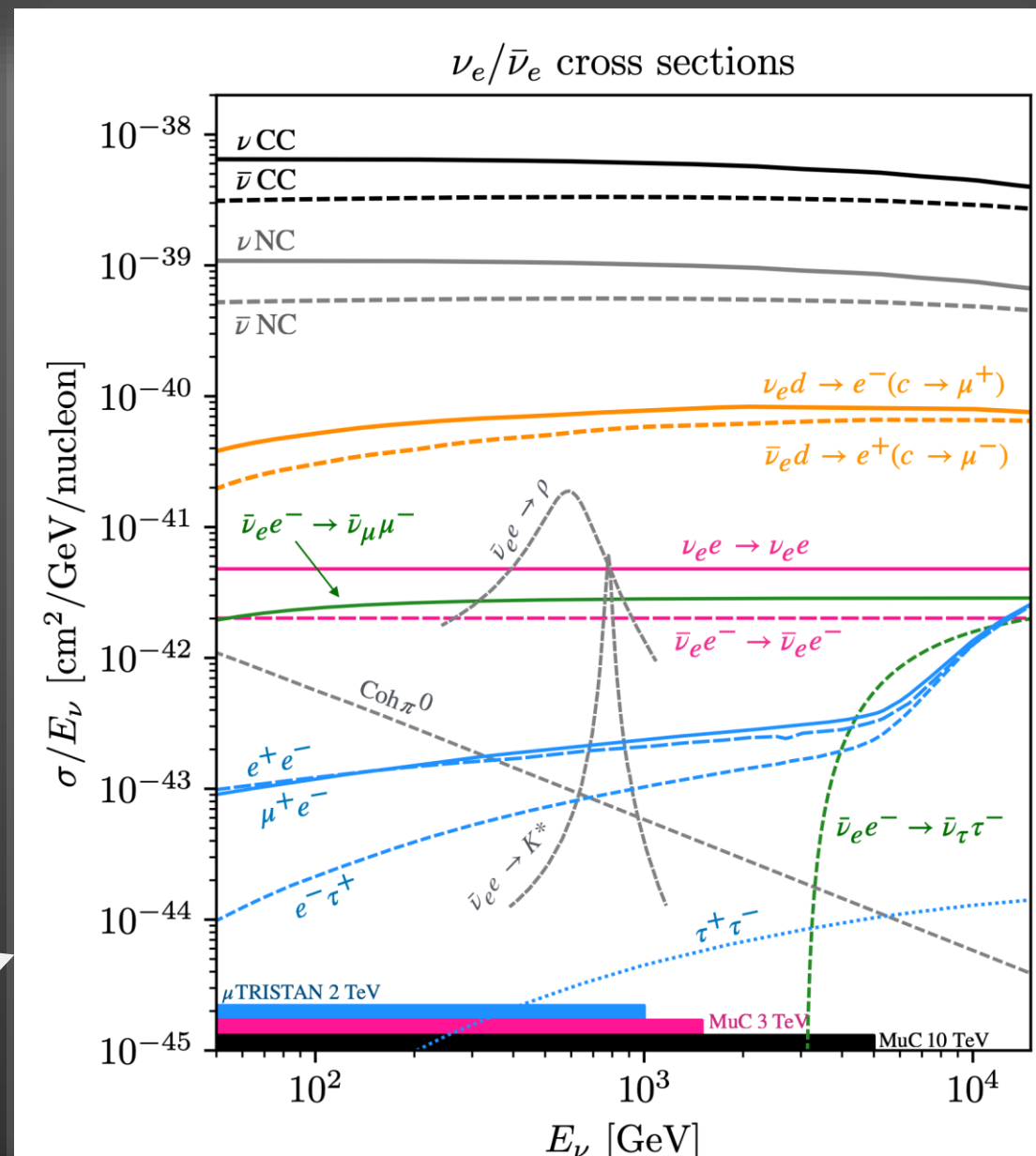
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Many exclusive processes

Deep Inelastic Scattering **CC** and NC
Charm production
Inverse muon(tau) decay
Elastic scattering on electrons
Resonant meson production
Neutrino trident production

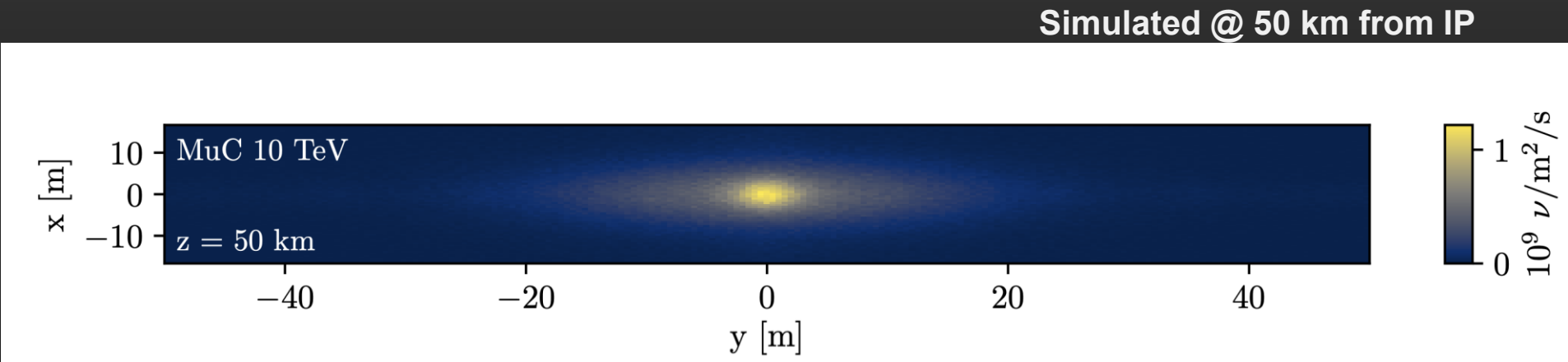


Detecting BINs

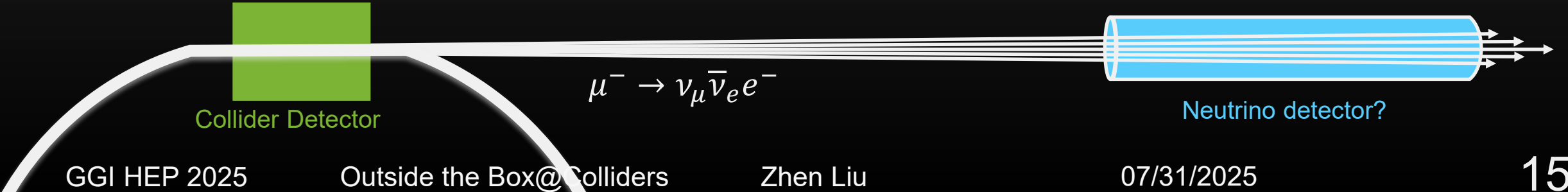
Forward facilities?

Straight section neutrino flux is extremely collimated. No need for a big detector — event rate is enormous.

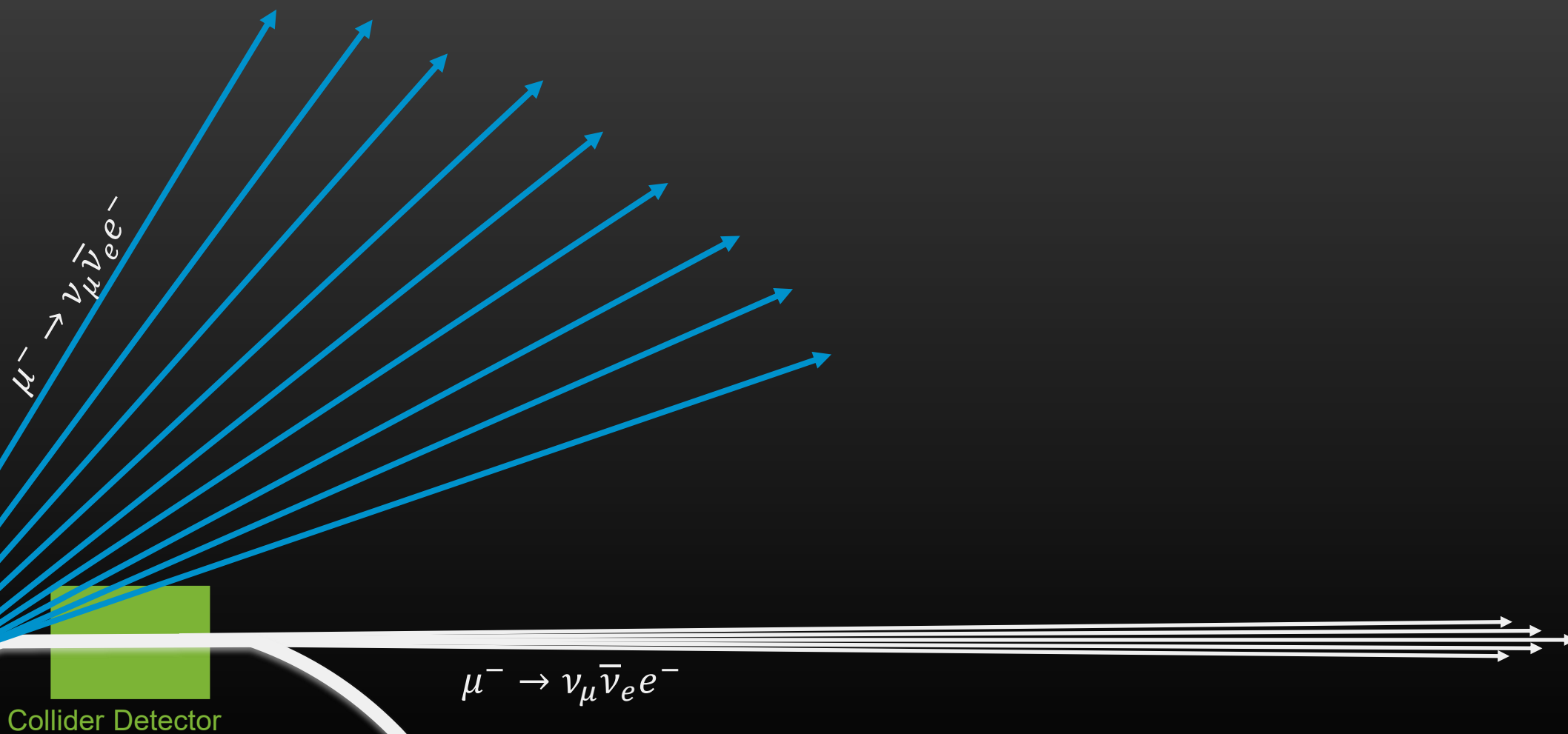
The far-forward region will have no beam-induced background but will keep most of the neutrino flux.



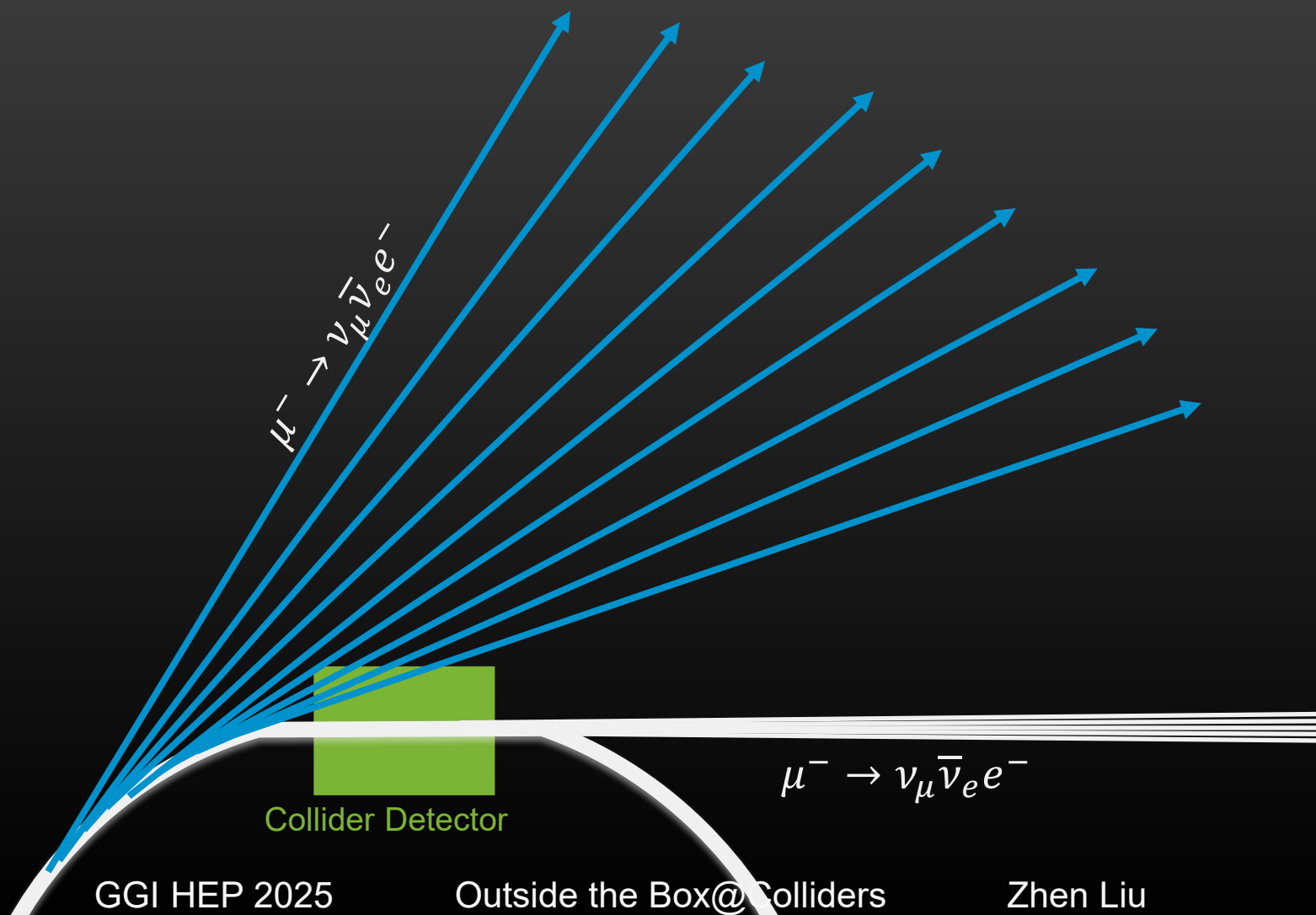
This is to demonstrate the high colimation of the BINs; detailed beam dynamics, including beam wobbling to mitigate radiation hazard would change such. In fact, we don't need such a long forward location to shield background. One can do a much closer forward neutrino facility.



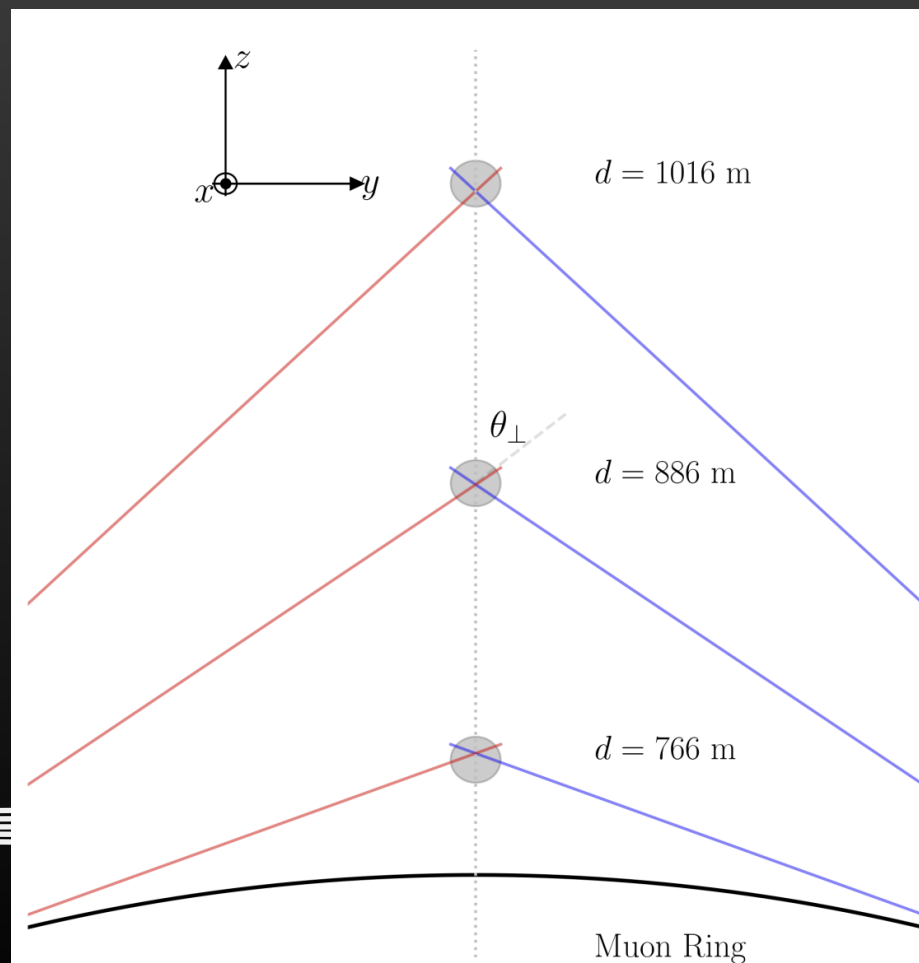
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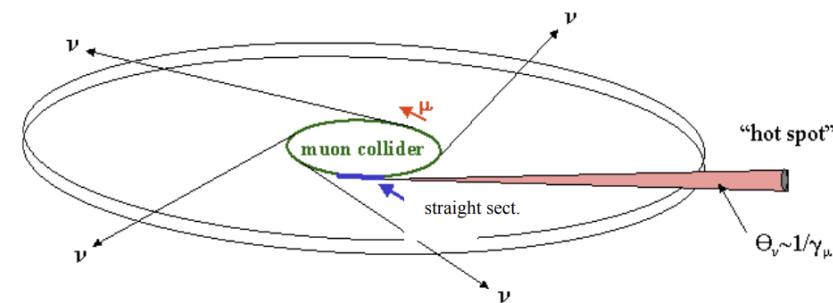
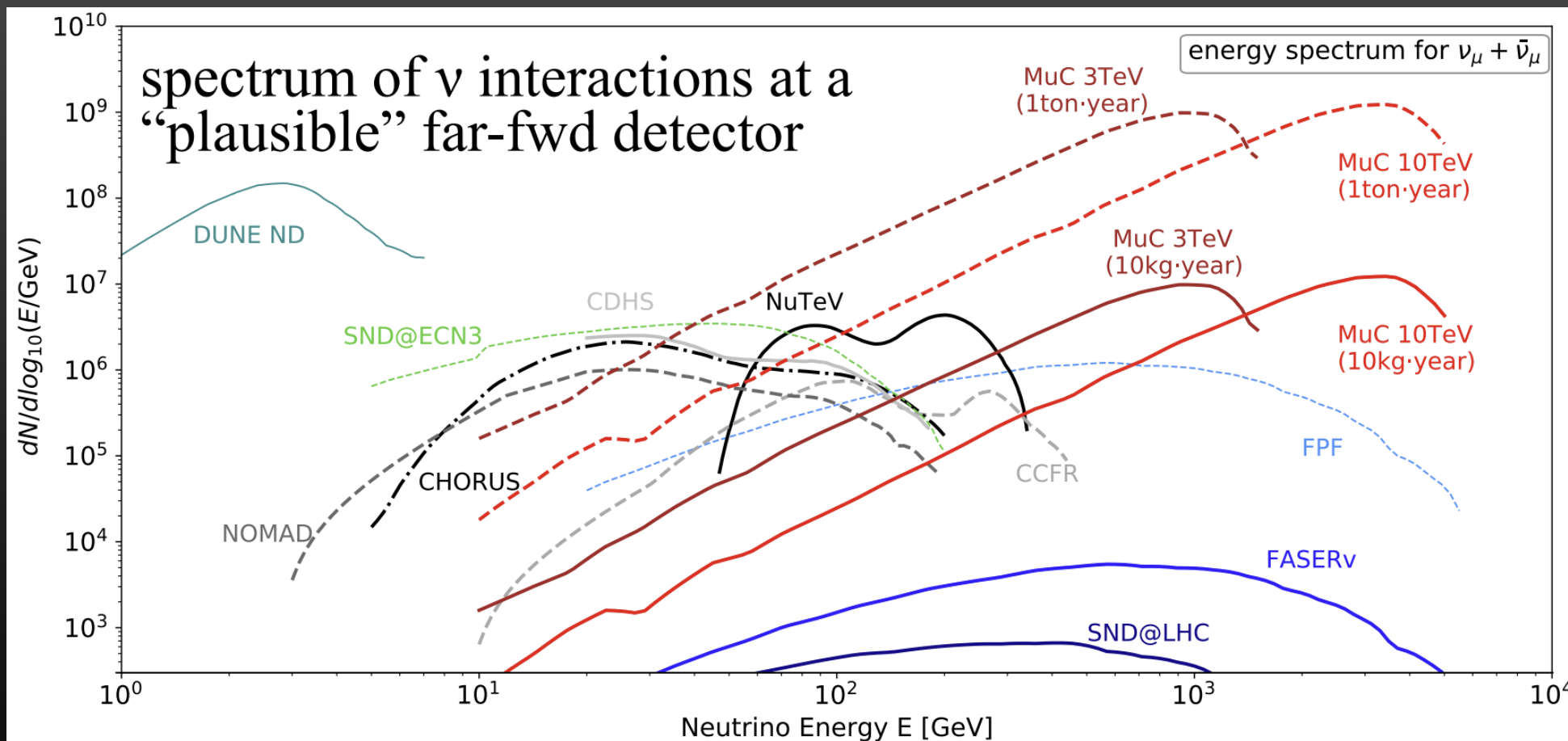
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A. de Gouvea, A. Thompson, [2505.00152](#)

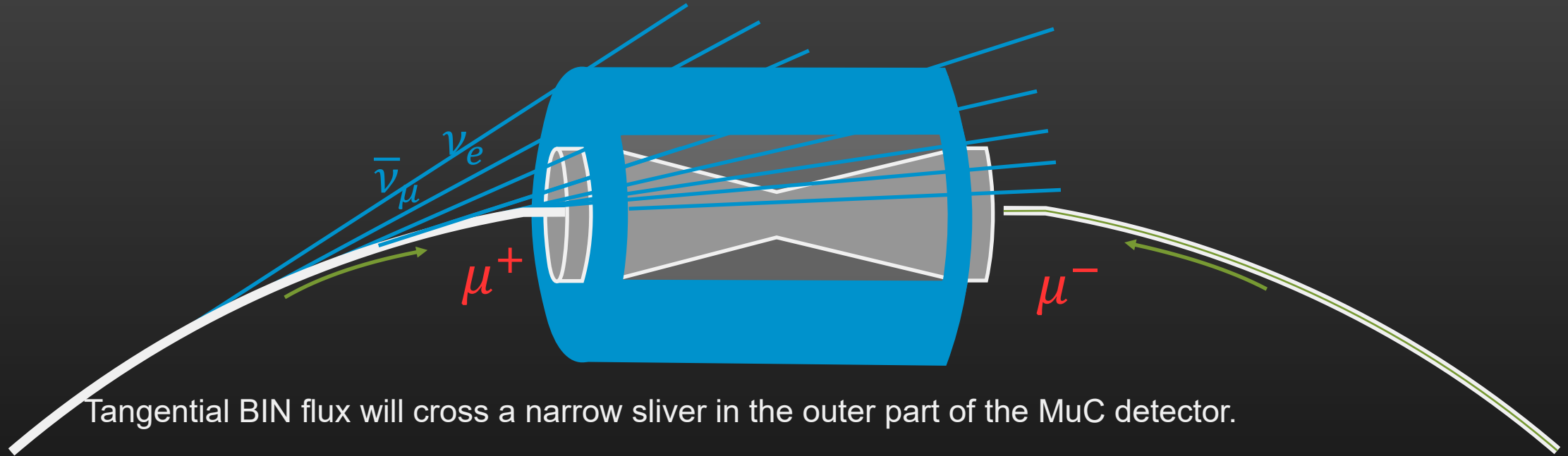


Forward Muon Detector



Detecting BINs

Leveraging tangential flux at the main detector



Tangential BIN flux will cross a narrow sliver in the outer part of the MuC detector.

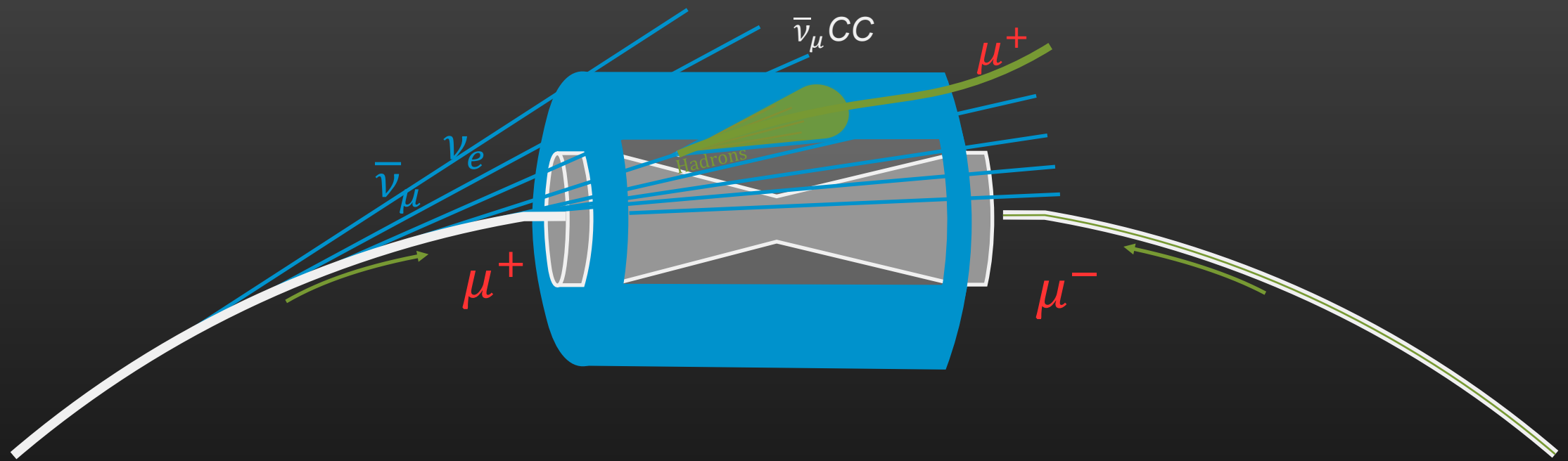
BIN interactions in this “**neutrino slice**” will be abundant and produce high energy particles

$$\sigma_\nu \sim G_F^2 m_p E_\nu$$

It turns out interaction rates would be larger than anything we have ever recorded in the lab.

Beam-Induced Neutrinos (BINs)

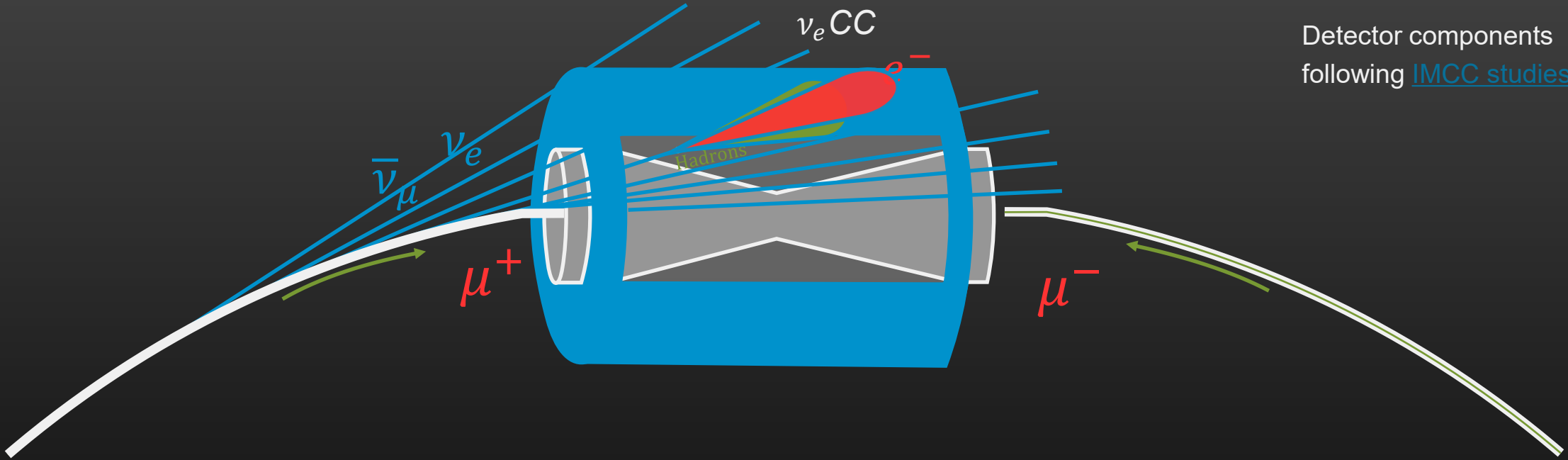
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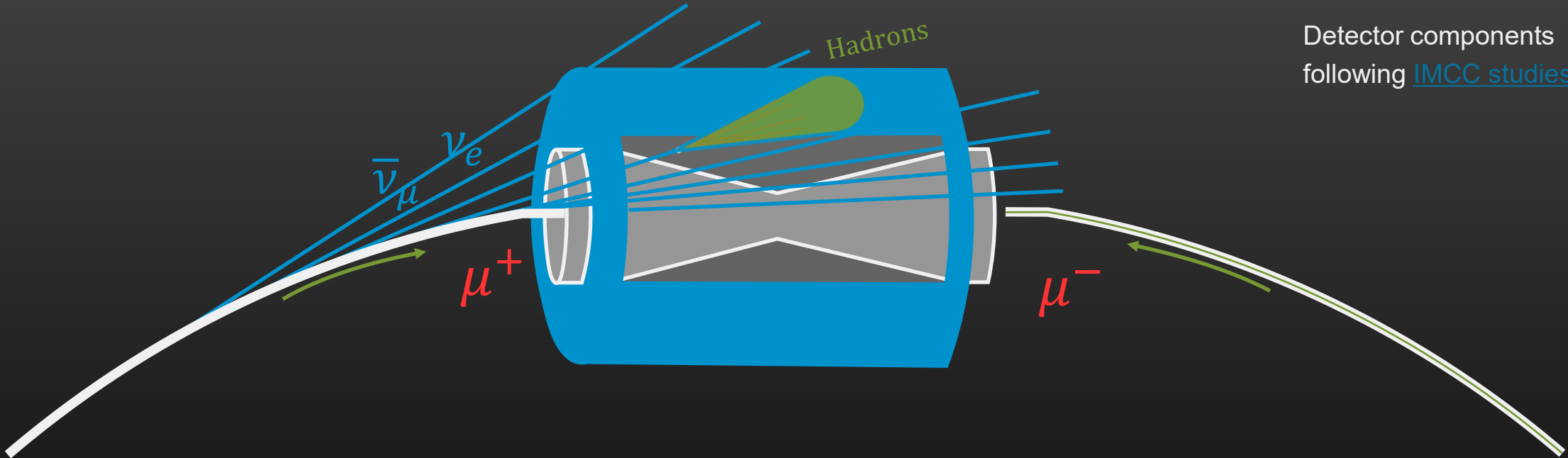


Detector components following [IMCC studies](#)

Induce hadronic showers with electrons inside the barrel.

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Induce pure hadronic showers inside the barrel.

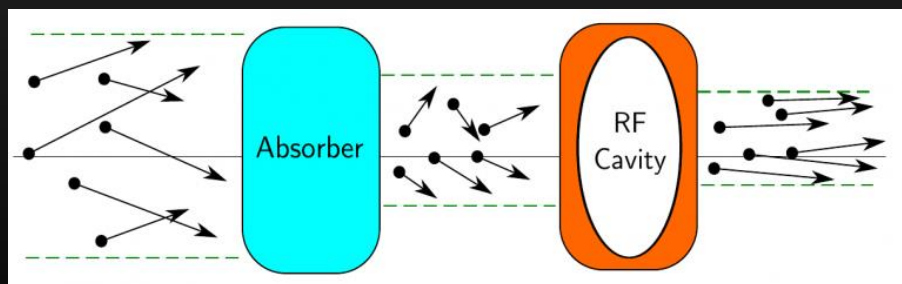
Muon Collider benchmarks

MuC 3 and 10 TeV — $\mu^+\mu^-$ collider

Ionization cooling

Collider magnet lattice from IMCC studies

Assuming the same MAP-like detector

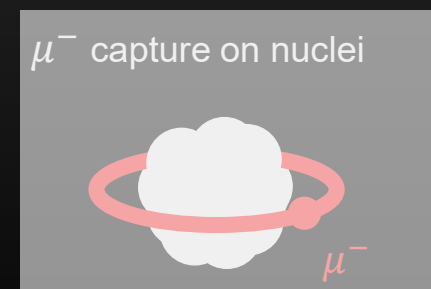
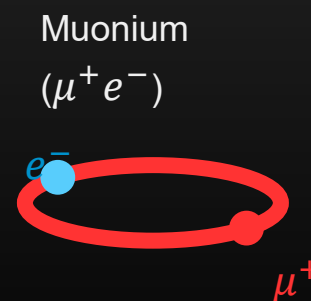


μ TRISTAN 2 TeV @ J-PARC — $\mu^+\mu^+$ collider

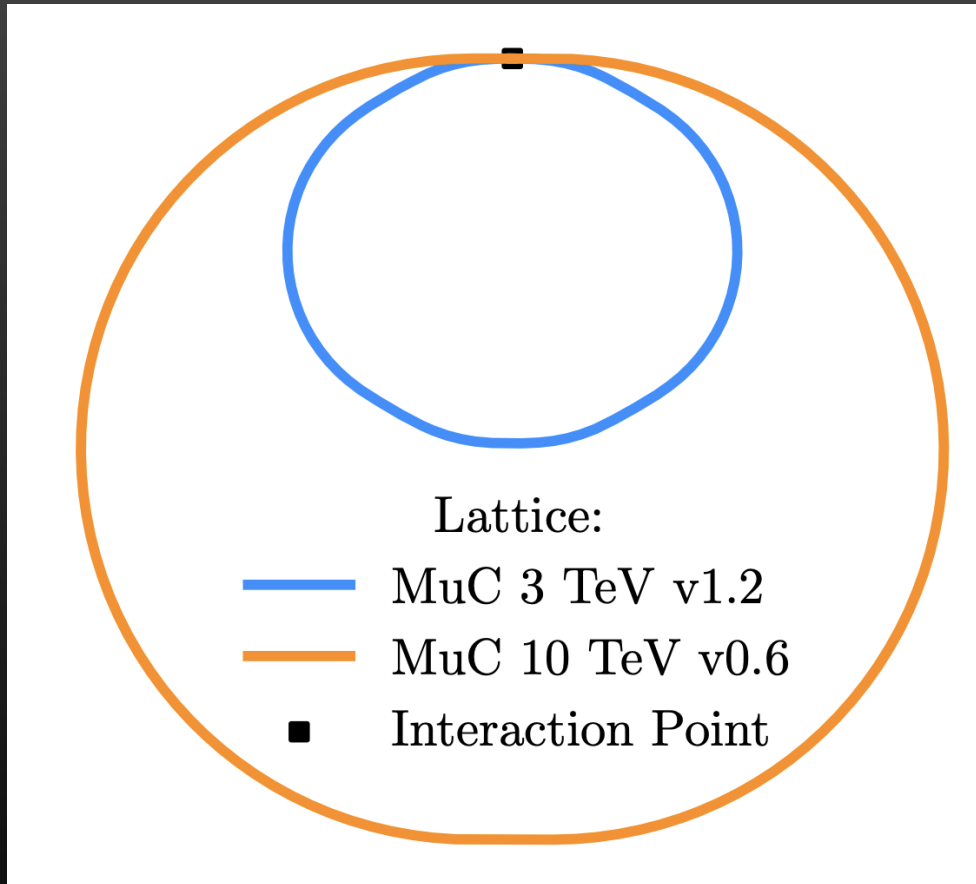
Cooling: form muonium, strip it of electrons, and boost in z direction. Only works for μ^+

Assuming MuC-3-TeV collider lattice

Same MAP-like detector



Muon Collider benchmarks Modeling BIN flux



Using CERN public models for the magnet lattice:

<https://gitlab.cern.ch/acc-models/acc-models-mc>

Uniformly distribute muons around the ring

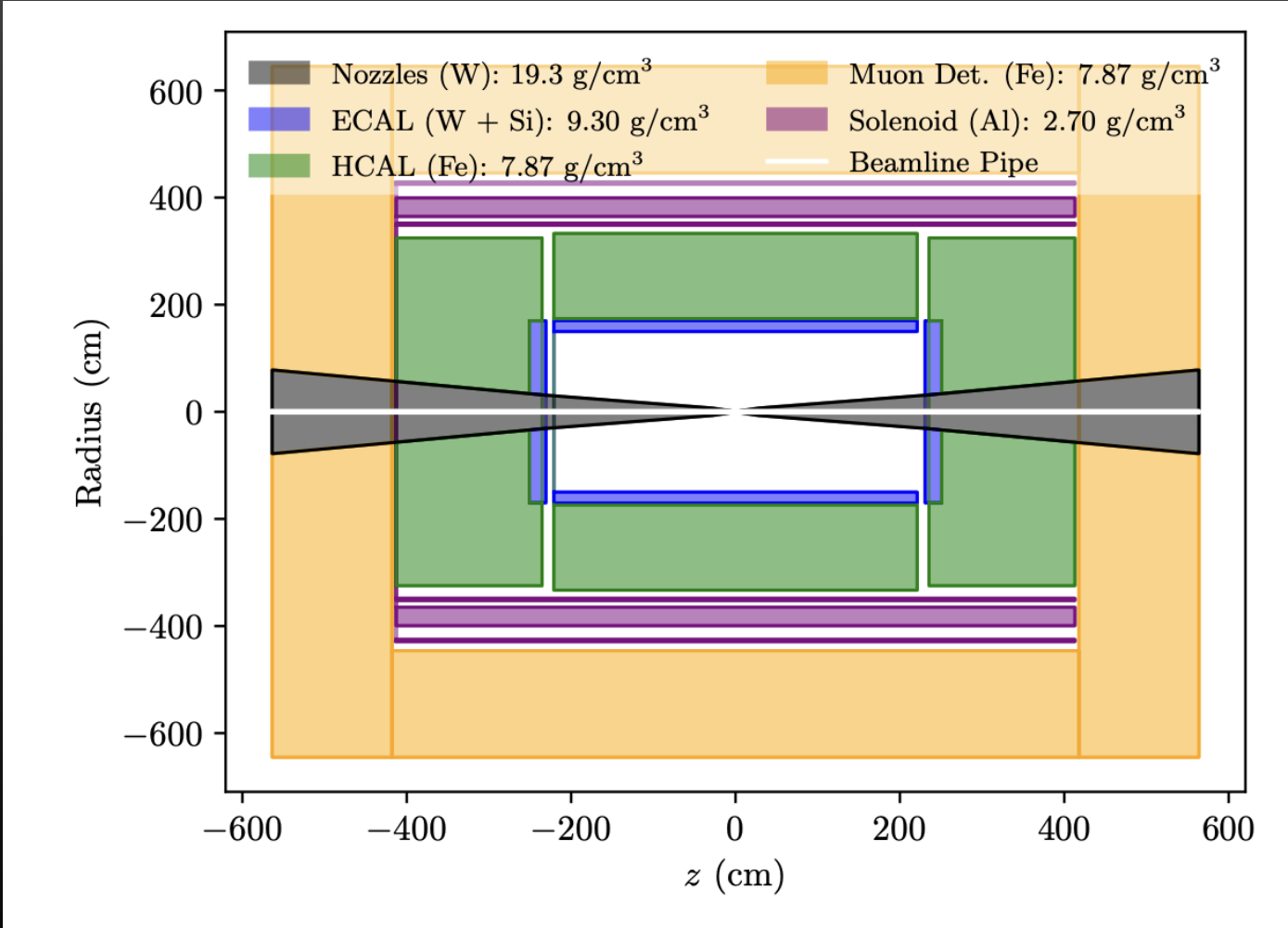
Beam size determined by Twiss parameters $\beta_{x,y}$ and $\gamma_{x,y}$ as a function of distance traveled around the ring (s):

1. Fixed geometric emittance: $\epsilon = 0.5$ nm
2. Transverse beam size: $\sigma_{x,y}(s) = \sqrt{\epsilon\beta_{x,y}(s)}$
3. Angular divergence of the beam: $\delta\theta_{x,y}(s) = \sqrt{\epsilon\gamma_{x,y}(s)}$

Turns out beam divergence is of similar size to the intrinsic muon decay neutrino angles of: $\delta\theta_\nu \sim m_\mu/E_\mu \sim 10^{-4}$

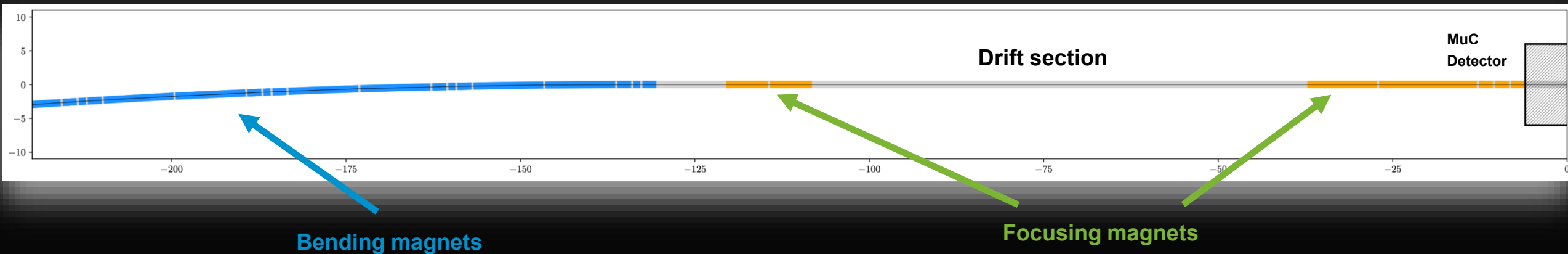
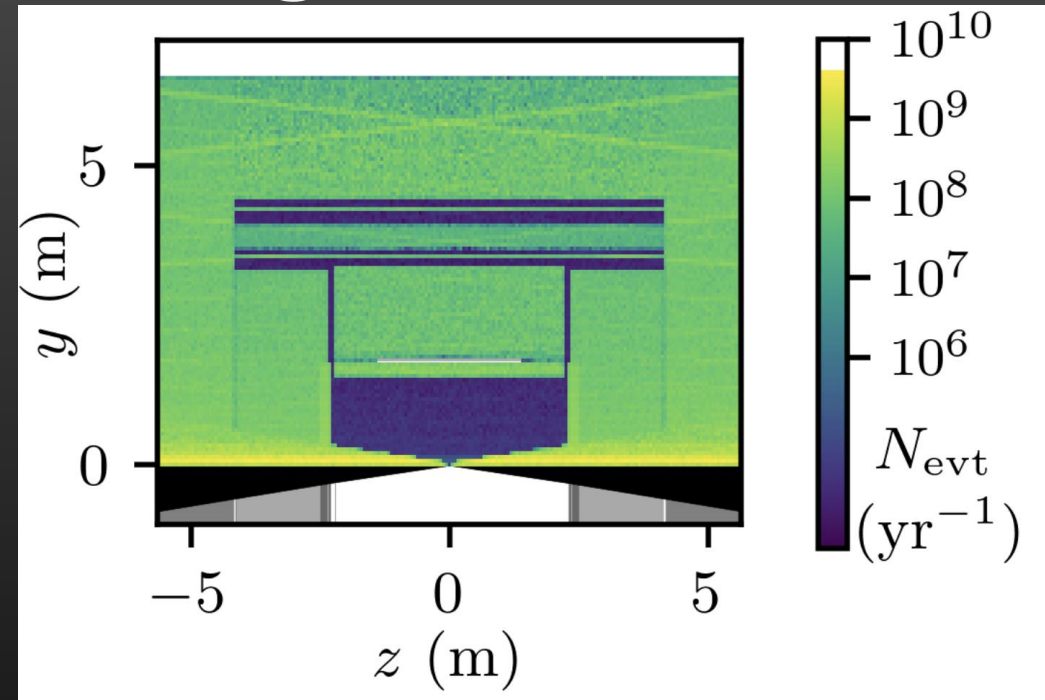
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Building toy models of muon collider



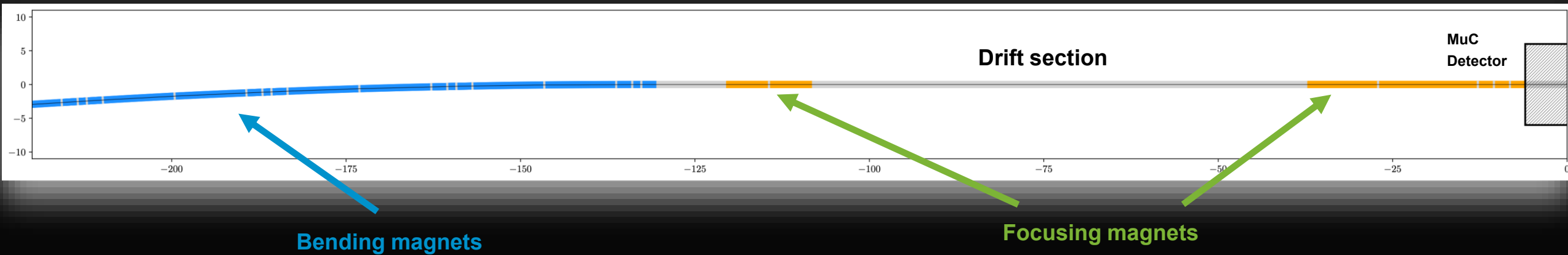
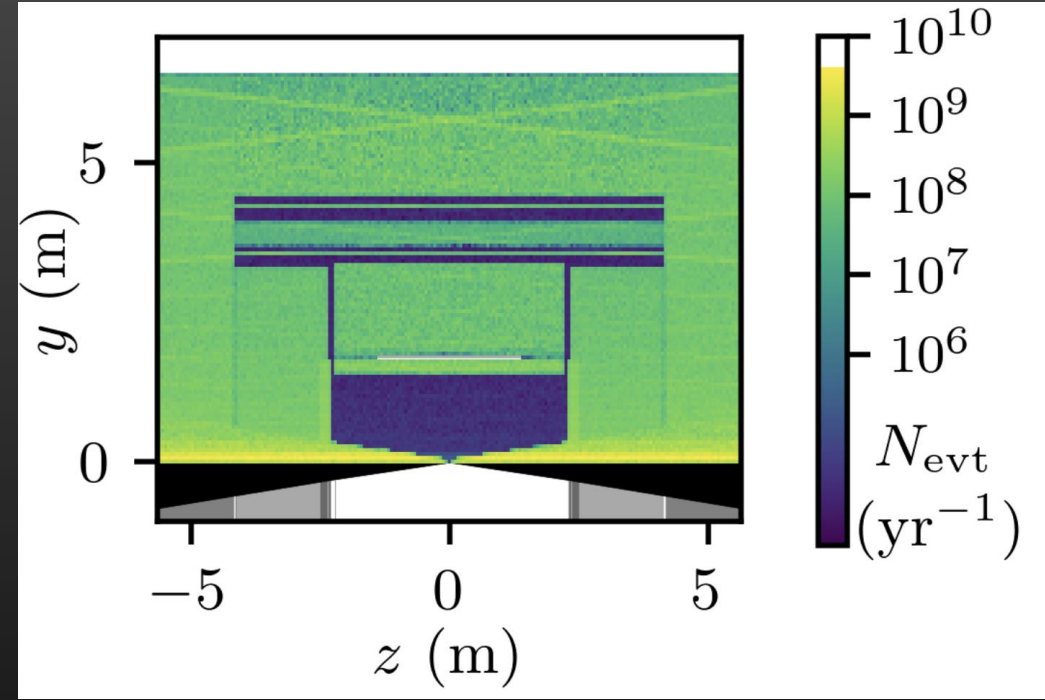
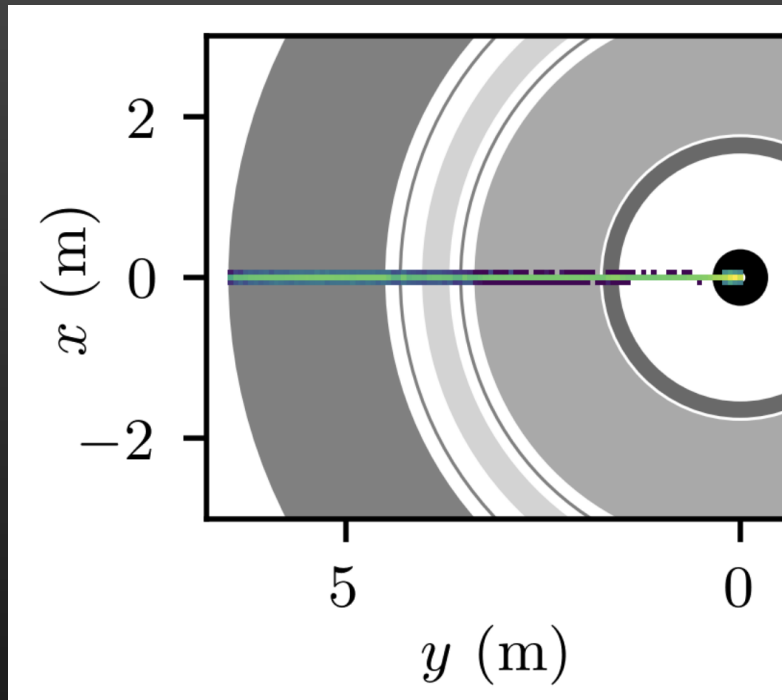
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The
Neutrino Slice!

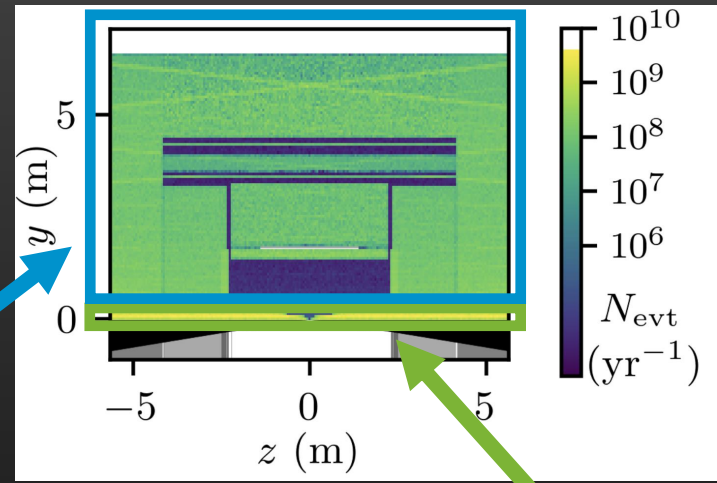
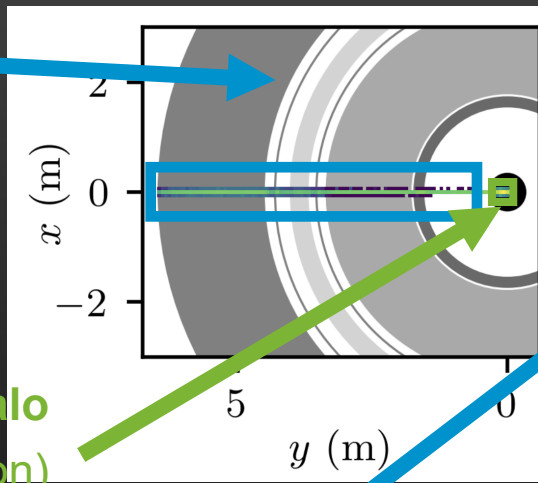


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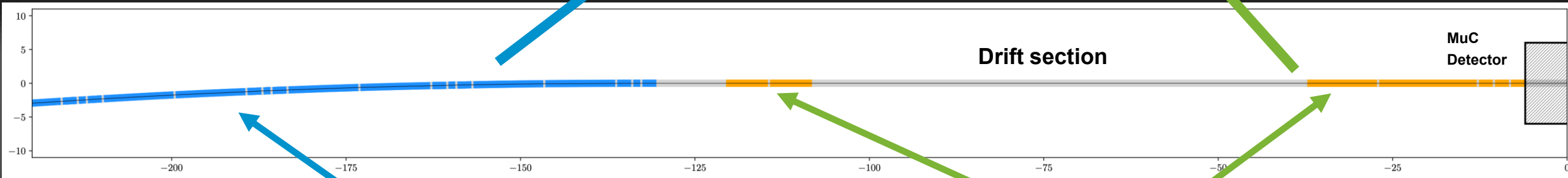
Tangential fluxes

Neutrino Slice
(mostly from main ring)

Neutrino Halo
(mostly from straight section)
Vast majority goes down the pipe



Very interesting main Interaction point physics and regulating t-channel singularities. A unique problem for unstable particle collisions (Melnikov, Serbo, hep-ph/9601221).



Bending magnets

Focusing magnets

Muon Collider

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More neutrinos than we have ever detected by >3 orders of magnitude.

About 0.5 events per bunch crossing.

Collider	MuC 10 TeV	MuC 3 TeV	μ TRISTAN
Beams	$\mu^+ \mu^-$	$\mu^+ \mu^-$	$\mu^+ \mu^+$
Muons/bunch	1.8×10^{12}	1.8×10^{12}	1.4×10^{10}
bunches/cycle	1	1	40
f_{inj}	5 Hz	5 Hz	50 Hz
C	8.7 km	4.3 km	4.3 km

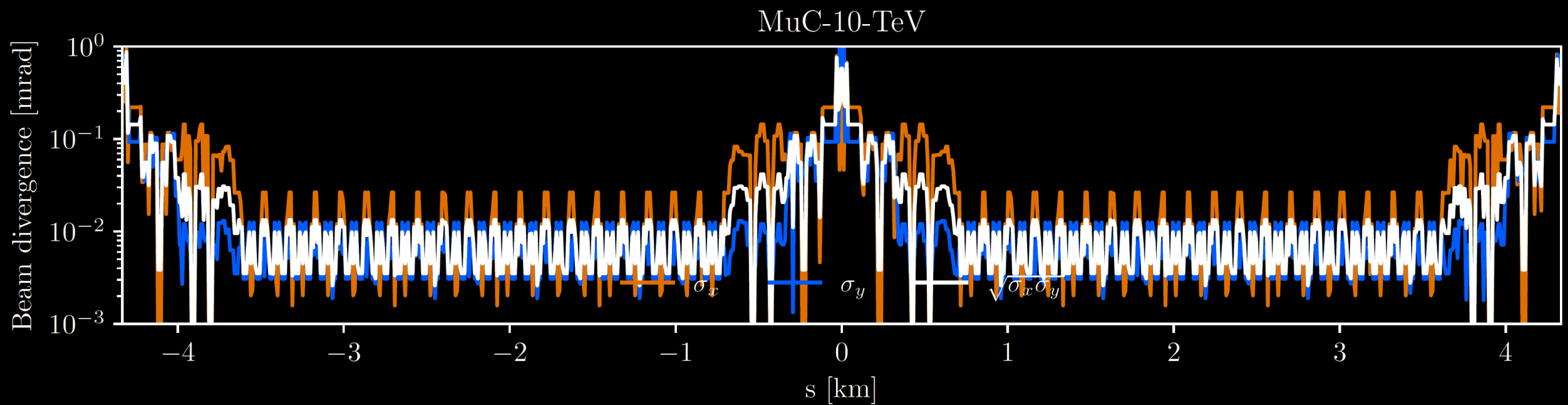
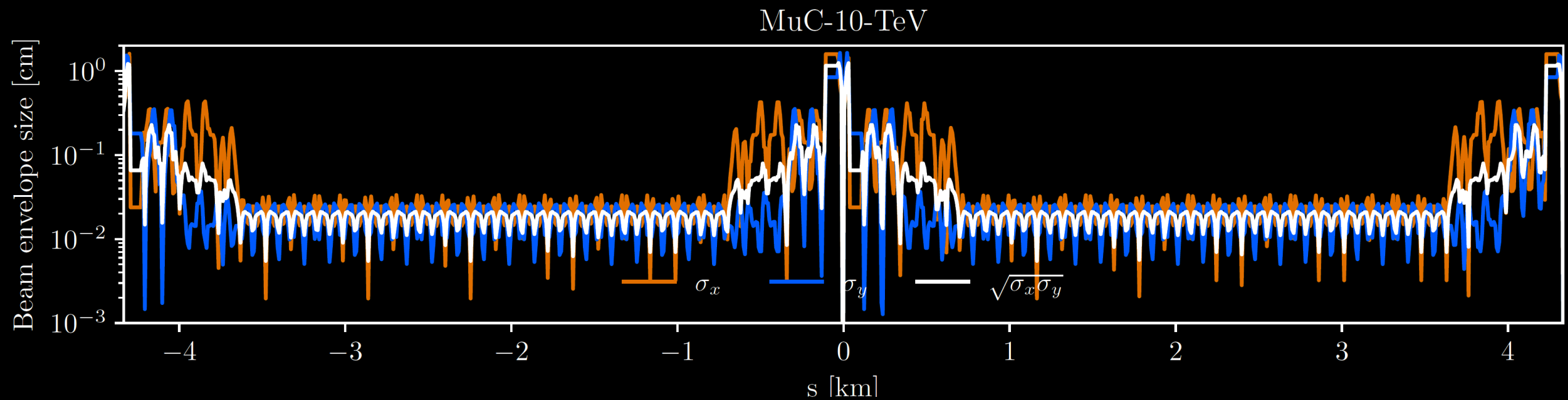
BIN exclusive reactions in HCAL and ECAL/year

Total NC	1.5×10^9	4.6×10^8	3.4×10^9
Total ν_e CC	4.7×10^9	1.4×10^9	1.1×10^{10}
Total ν_μ CC	5.4×10^9	1.7×10^9	1.1×10^{10}

ES $\nu_\mu e \rightarrow \nu_\mu e$	3.8×10^5	1.1×10^5	0
ES $\bar{\nu}_e e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e e$	8.6×10^5	2.5×10^5	0
ES $\bar{\nu}_\mu e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu e$	3.4×10^5	9.9×10^4	1.9×10^6
QE $\nu n \rightarrow \ell^- p^+$	2.6×10^6	2.5×10^6	2.8×10^7
QE $\bar{\nu} p^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ n$	2.7×10^6	2.5×10^6	3.2×10^7
Coh π^0	3.0×10^5	2.9×10^5	3.5×10^6
Res $\bar{\nu}_e e \rightarrow \rho^-$	4.2×10^5	7.7×10^5	0
Res $\bar{\nu}_e e \rightarrow K^{*-}$	2.6×10^4	4.4×10^4	0
IMD $\nu_\mu e \rightarrow \nu_e \mu^-$	4.2×10^6	1.2×10^6	0
IMD $\bar{\nu}_e e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu \mu^-$	1.2×10^6	3.5×10^5	0
ITD $\bar{\nu}_e e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\tau \tau^-$	9.4×10^3	0	0

Trident $e^+ e^-$	1.2×10^6	2.9×10^5	1.7×10^6
Trident $\mu^\pm e^\mp$	2.9×10^6	6.7×10^5	5.0×10^6
Trident $\mu^\pm \mu^\mp$	7.5×10^5	1.6×10^5	1.3×10^6

Beam Simulation



Beam Wobbling

It changes the spread size by (using black lines) 15cm/600m, which at 50km location, spread the neutrino beam out by 15m (in 2D), comparable to the BINs spread. Instead, at the main detector, it broadens the BINs by O(cm) (with a rms smaller)

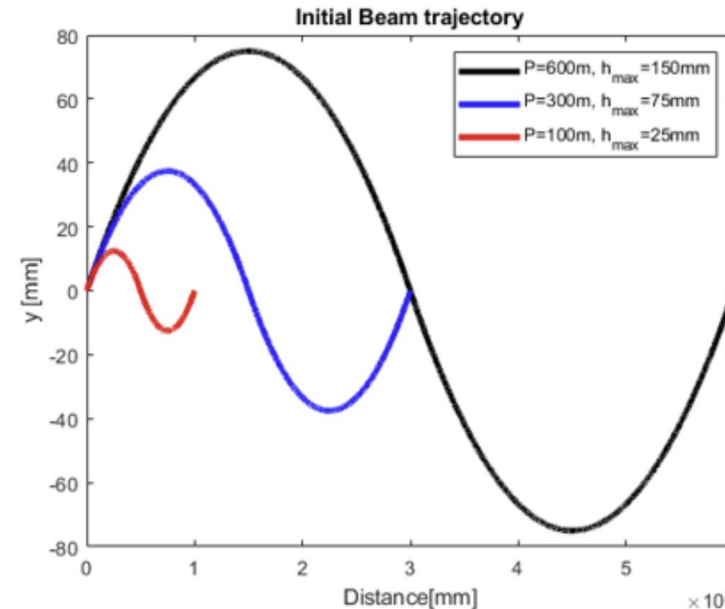
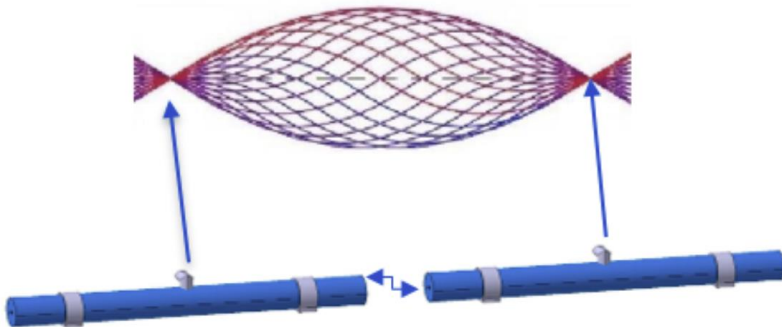


He supply



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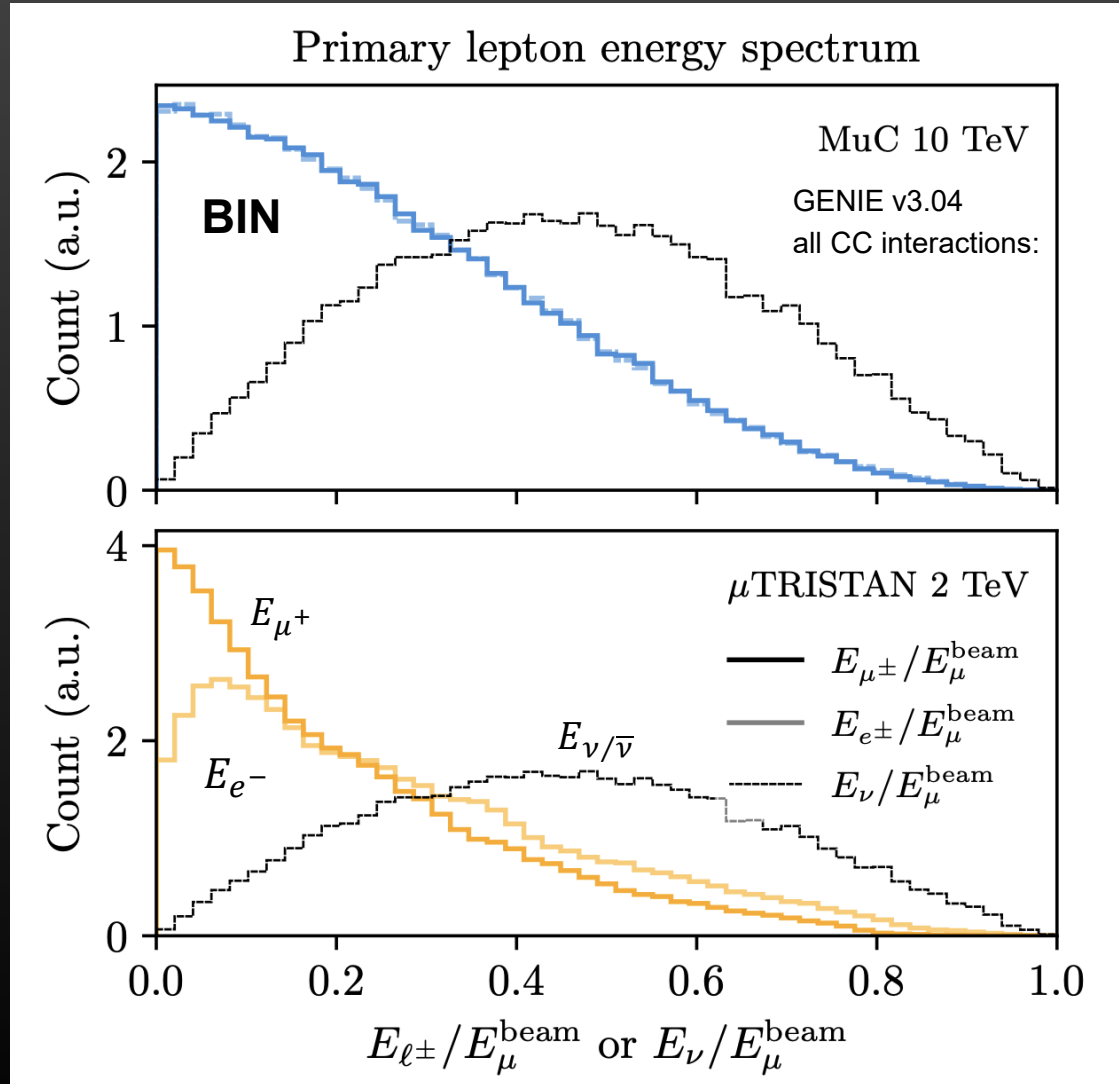
- First estimation: He supply at the ~LHC distance → ~100m
- Reduction of period
- Reduction of maximum vertical displacement → ± 25 mm
- Stronger vertical kick (horizontal field)



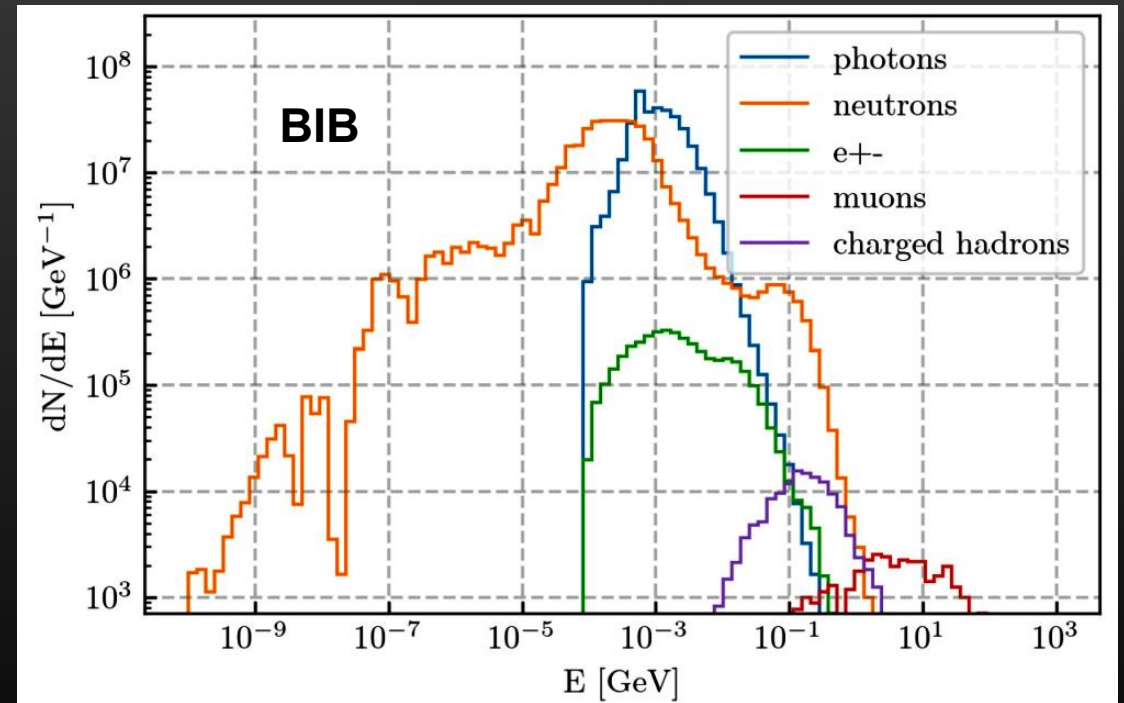
A magnet movement system is investigated allowing for a machine deformation resulting in ± 1 mrad* variations of the slope of the tangent of the beam trajectory
[C. Carli, "Neutrino Radiation for a realistic Collider", IMCC Annual Meeting 2022](#)

BIN Interaction properties

1) TeV amounts of energy

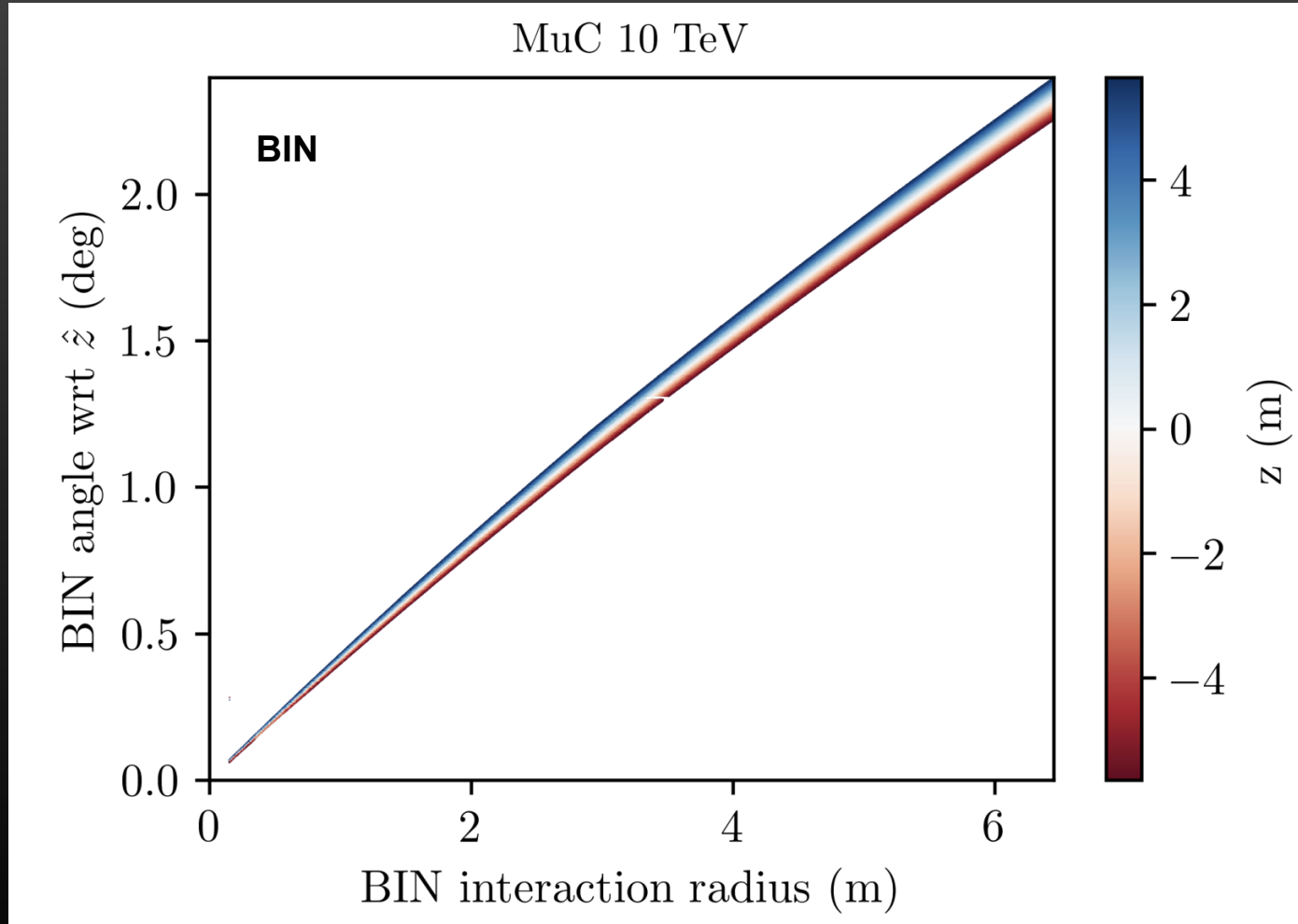


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BIN Interactions

2) Angles and radial dependence of events



Neutrino scattering is forward (low- Q^2) so CC charged leptons is a good tracer of direction, which is also correlated with where the neutrino came from.

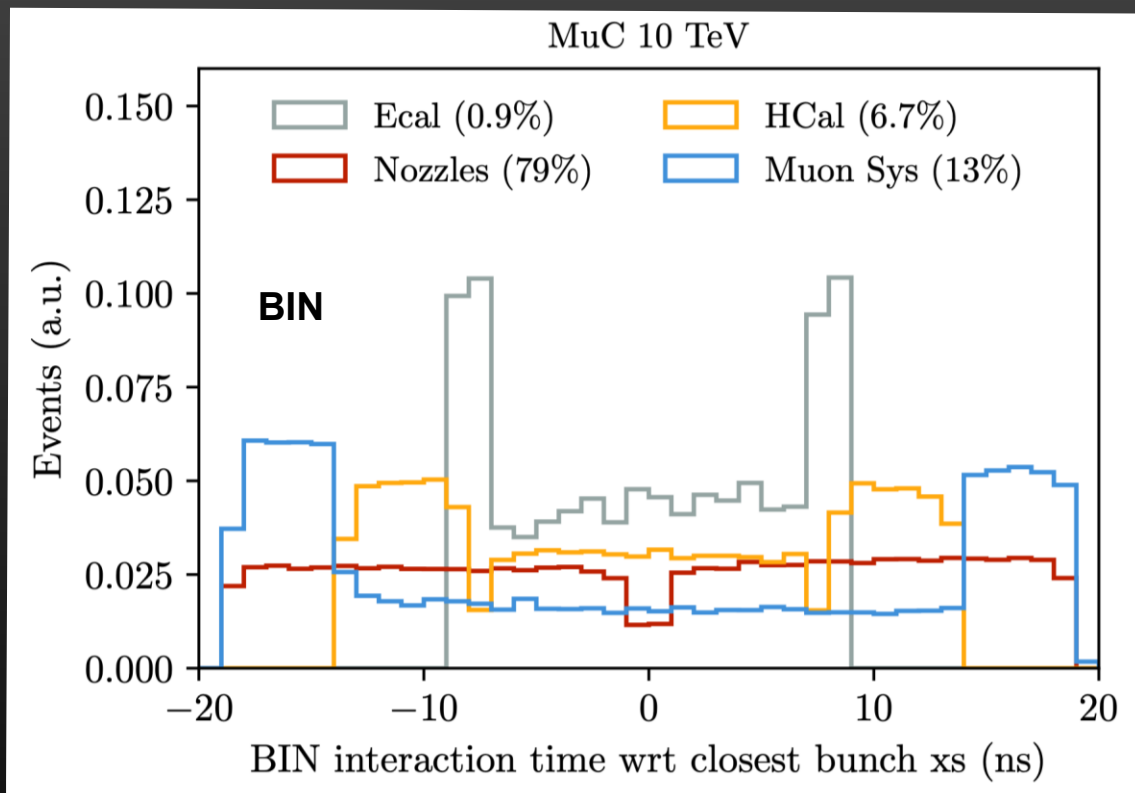
$$\langle p_T^\ell \rangle \simeq 37 \text{ GeV for MuC-3-TeV}$$

$$\langle p_T^\ell \rangle \simeq 32 \text{ GeV for MuC-10-TeV}$$

$$\langle p_T^\ell \rangle \simeq 21 \text{ GeV for } \mu\text{TRISTAN}$$

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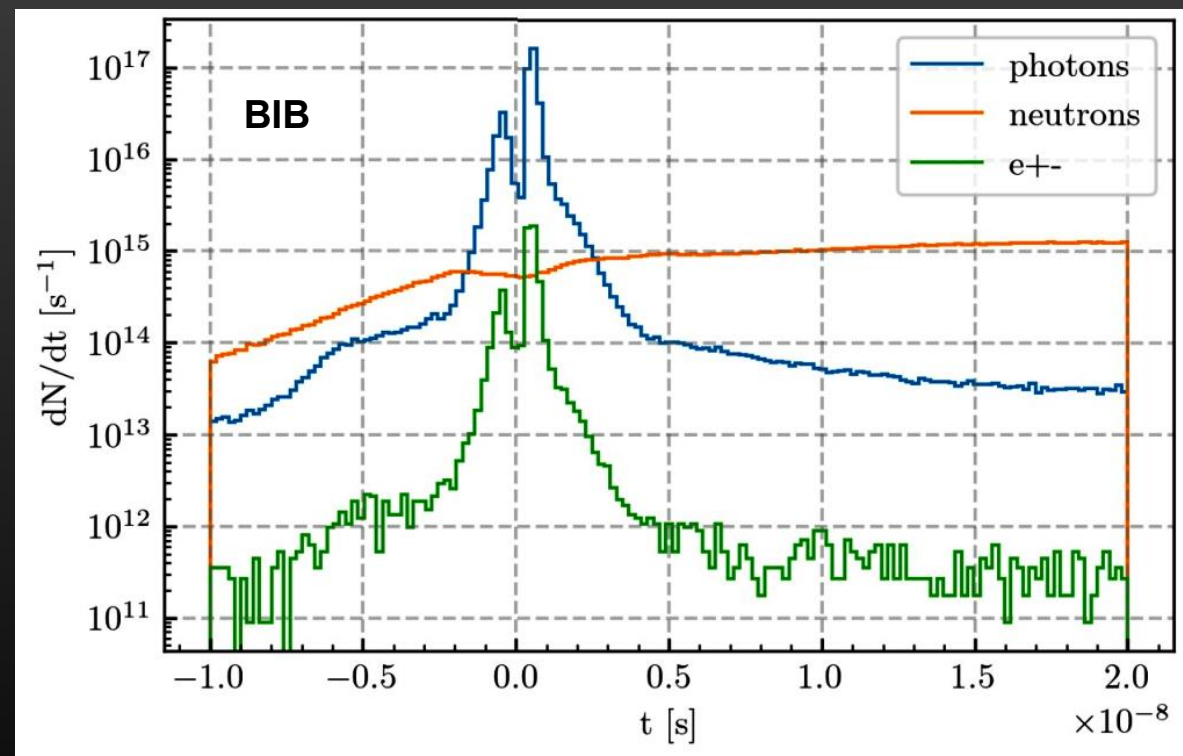
3) Timing profile



Early events will be better as there will be less BIB and charged particles will cross more detector material on the way out

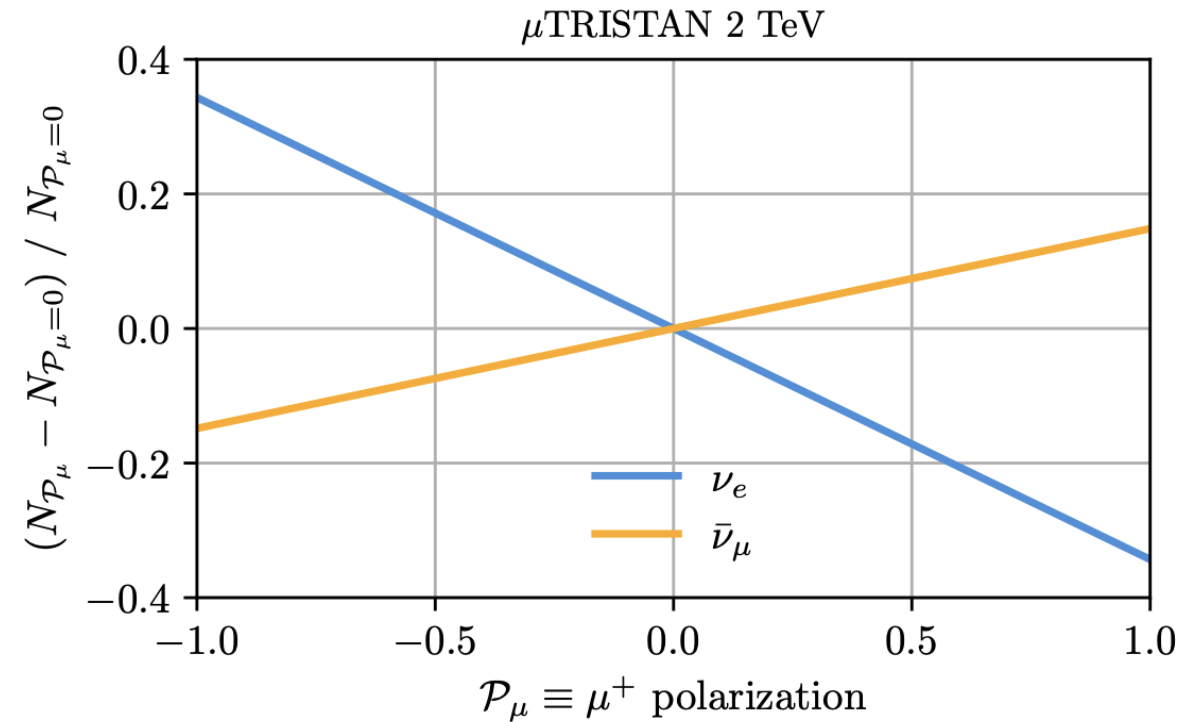
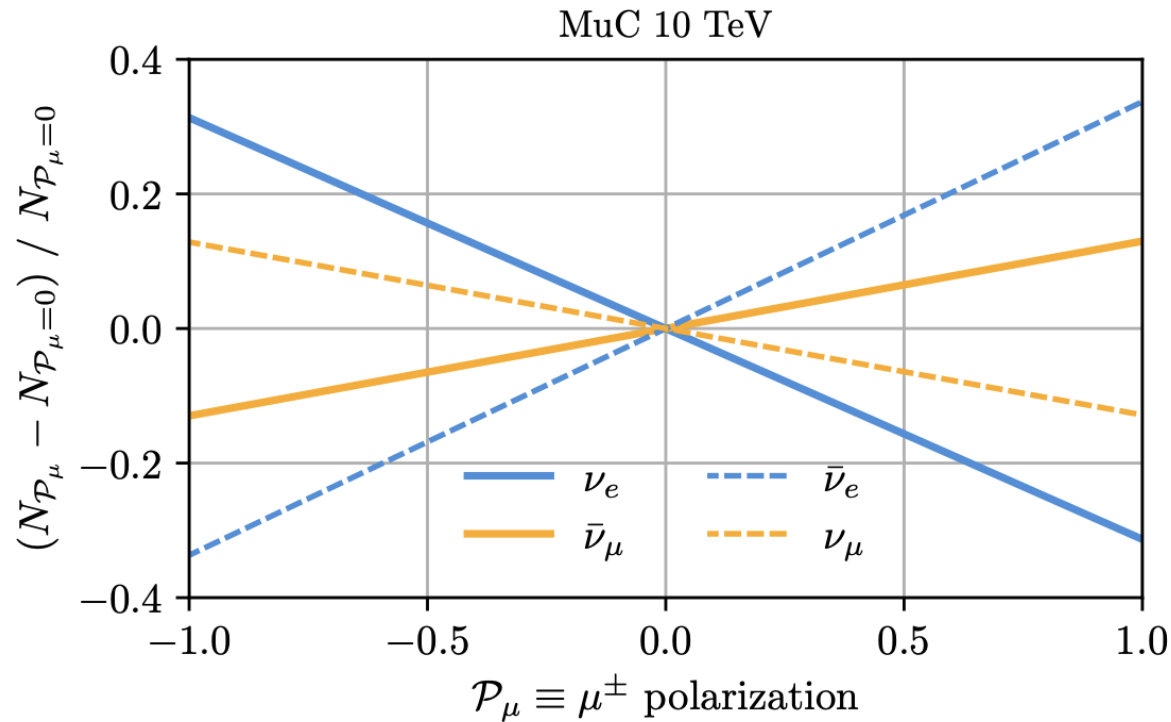
O(ns) resolution is already enough to see substructure.

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4) Dependence on muon beam polarization



Polarization with ionization cooling (MuC benchmarks) seems very challenging, but μ TRISTAN aims for $\mathcal{P}_\mu \sim 0.8$

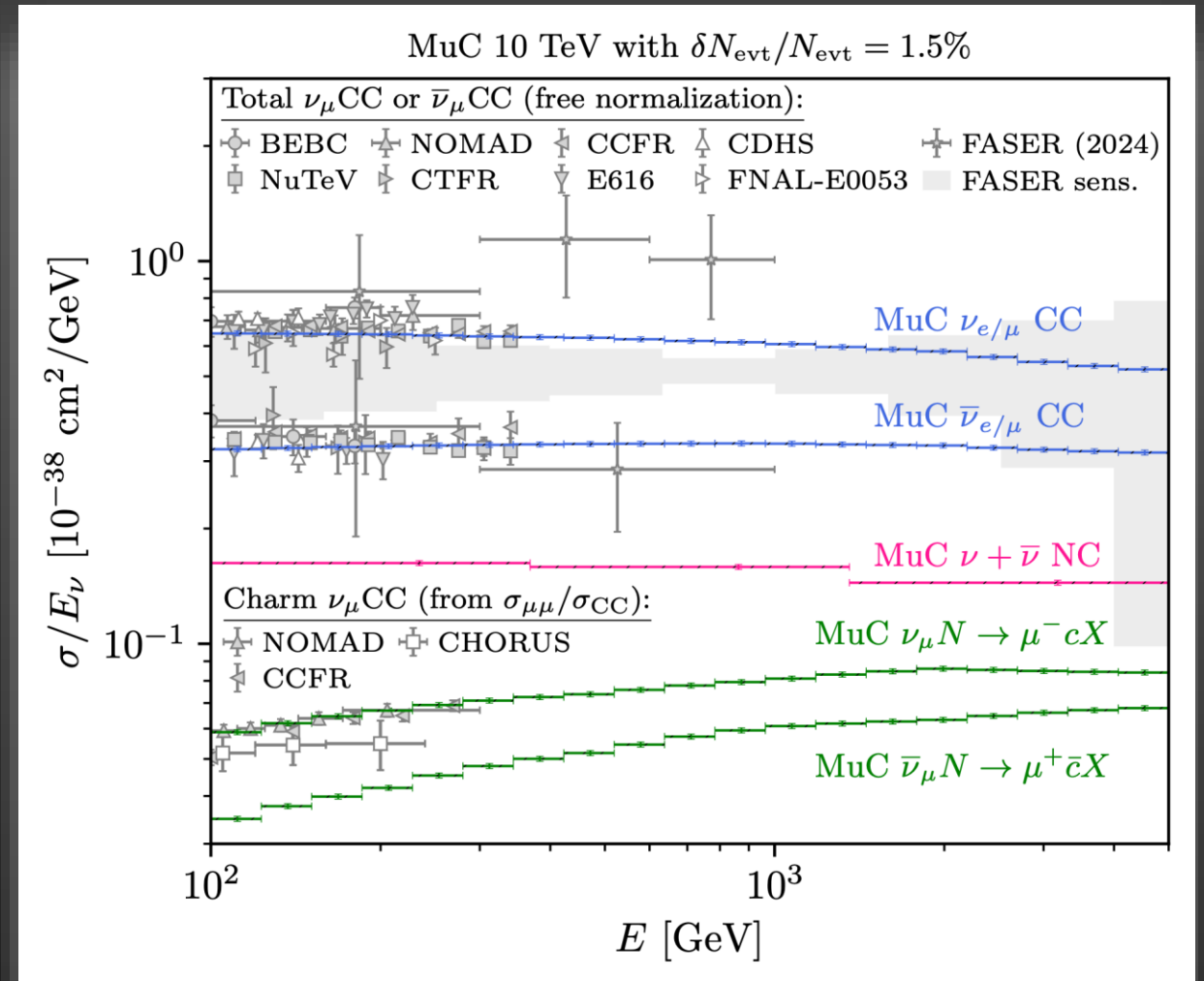
Total rate and differential spectra are very sensitive to the beam polarization.

BIN interactions

Neutrino-nucleus scattering measurement

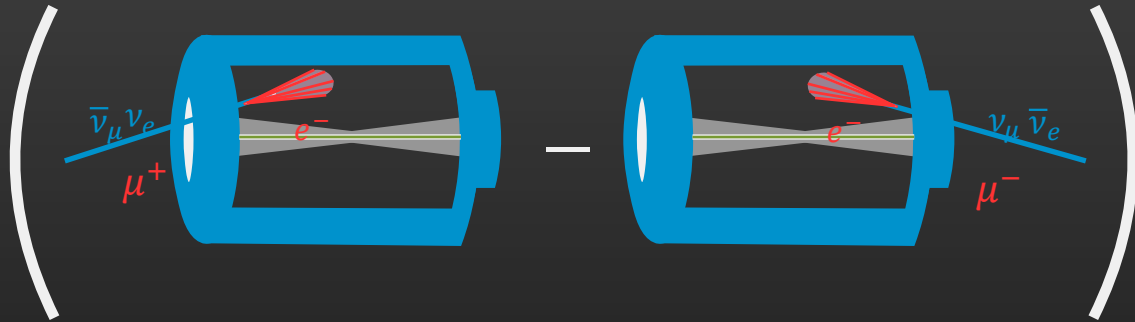
This is what a 1.5% uncertainty on TeV neutrino cross sections would look like:

Clearly more works required to understand if feasible at the neutrino slice, but such precision can undoubtedly be achieved with a forward detector if needed.



BIN as precision probes of electroweak sector

Neutrino-electron scattering

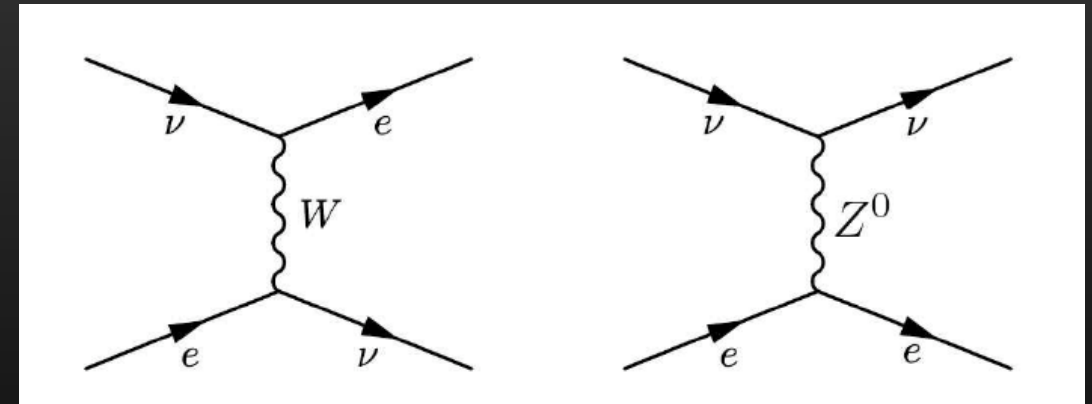


You can isolate Weinberg's angle at a muon source with:

$$R_{\nu-e}^{\theta_w} = \frac{N^{\mu^+} - N^{\mu^-}}{N^{\mu^+} + N^{\mu^-}} \approx \frac{2 \sin^2 \theta_w}{1 + 8 \sin^4 \theta_w}$$

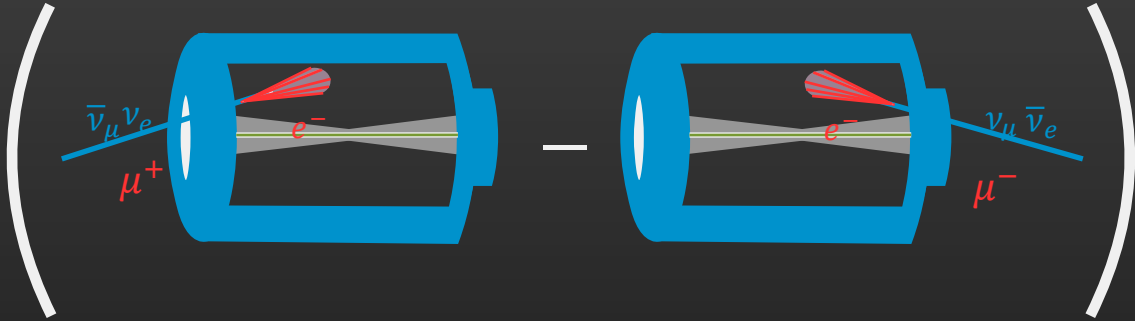
N^{μ^+} : the sum of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ and ν_e electron scattering rate from μ^+ beam.

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To beat CHARM-II ($\sin^2 \theta_w = 0.2324 \pm 0.0083$), need:

$$\delta R_{\nu-e}^{\theta_w} / R_{\nu-e}^{\theta_w} < 1.4\%$$

To beat the best measurement ($\sin^2 \theta_w = 0.2383 \pm 0.0011$) by Qweak APV measurements:

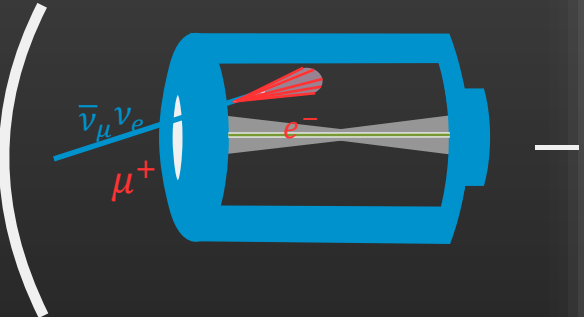
$$\delta R_{\nu-e}^{\theta_w} / R_{\nu-e}^{\theta_w} < 0.20\%$$

- May also probe the running of θ_w in the same experiment.
- Sub-percent measurement would also measure the neutrino charge radius!

More quantitative studies of $\nu - e$ scattering (A. de Gouvea, A. Thompson, [2505.00152](#))

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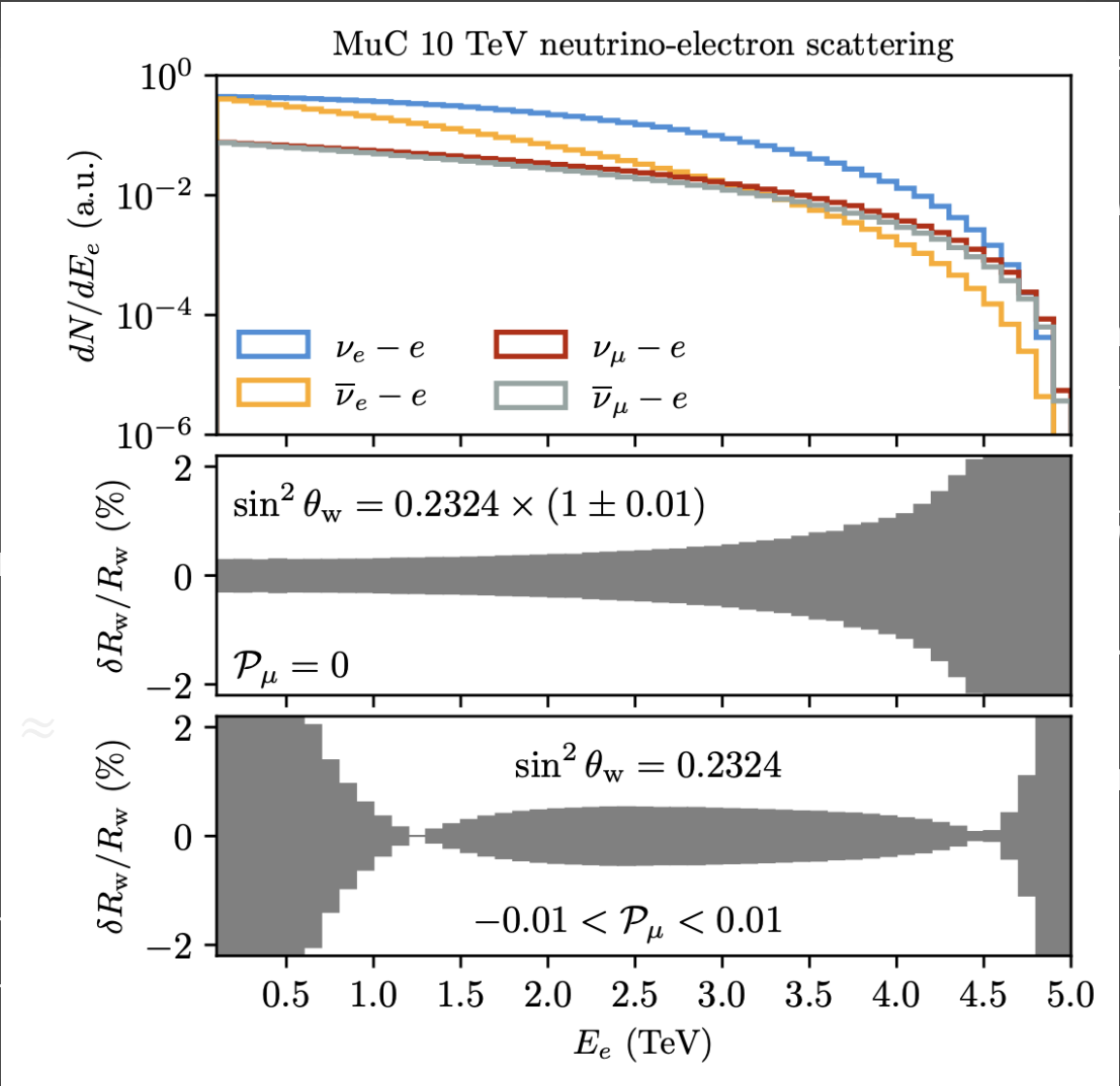
Neutrino-electron scattering



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$$R_{\nu-e}^{\theta_w} = \frac{N^{\mu^+} - N^{\mu^-}}{N^{\mu^+} + N^{\mu^-}}$$

N^{μ^+} : the sum of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ and ν_e electron
 N^{μ^-} : the sum of ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_e$ electron



= 0.2324 ± 0.0083), need:

$$R_{\nu-e}^{\theta_w} < 1.4\%$$

$$\text{t } (\sin^2 \theta_w = 0.2383 \pm 0.0011)$$

ts:

$$R_{\nu-e}^{\theta_w} < 0.20\%$$

ng of θ_w in the same experiment.

it would also measure the

$\nu - e$ scattering (A. de Gouvea,

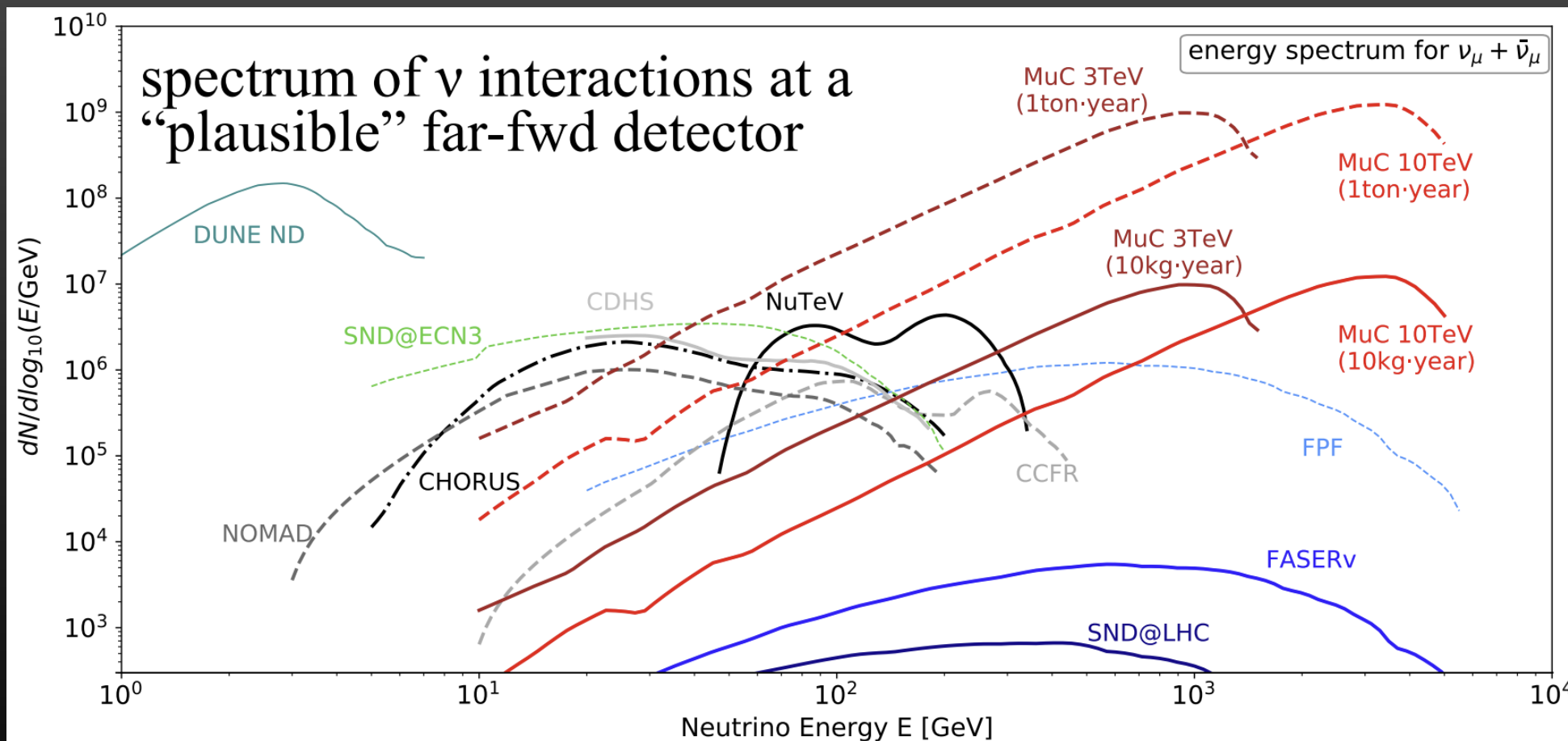
Neutrino Slice Summary

The **neutrino slice** from **BNs** provides a **new program** at a muon collider detector

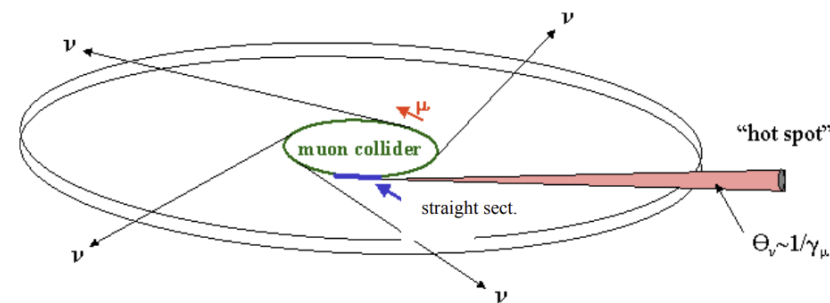
- Large rates from a unique neutrino sources:
 - $O(1)$ per collision
 - Help characterize the beam (flux, polarization, radiation monitoring?)
 - Affects energy resolution? How to mitigate it?
- Ultimately, a new way to leverage muon colliders to do:
 - weak scattering precision physics
 - DIS at low- x
 - rare leptonic process
 - new physics searches
- **We need take BNs into account.**

This was **a first look** into these events, but there is a lot of physics that can be explored.

Muon Beamdump? Muon+Neutrino Beamdump



It seems we need to dump the beam anyway at 5Hz rate...



Outside the Box2

Inclusive Higgs with Special Request

Basics:

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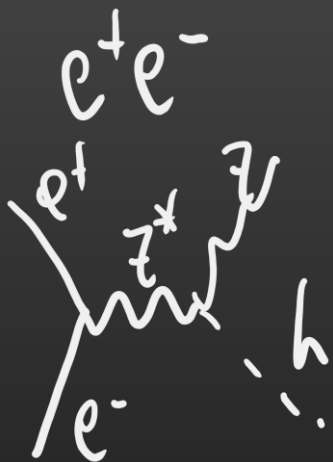


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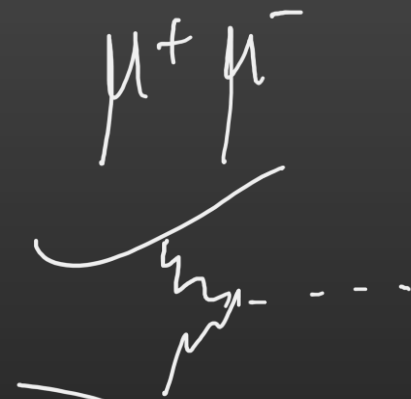


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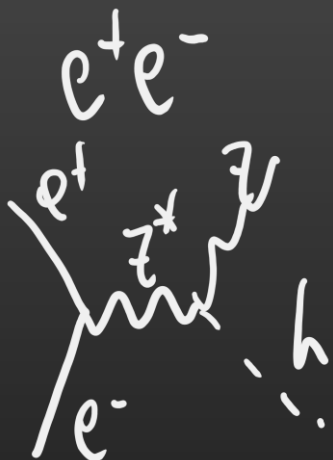


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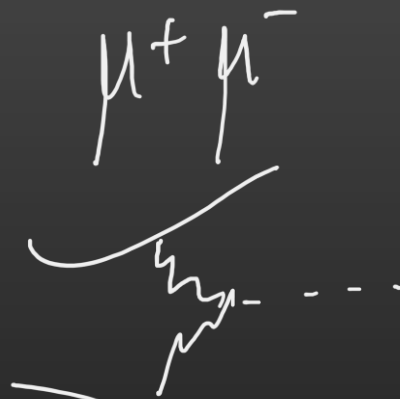


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All exclusive channels can be parametrized this way, simple extension possible for more channels/observables.

*zero-width approximation, Higgs width 10^{-5} of its mass, in general valid. Violations (% level correction)
see Campbell, Carena, Harnik, ZL, PRL 18'

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We **cannot** measure Higgs couplings strength, without some inputs to break this flat direction!

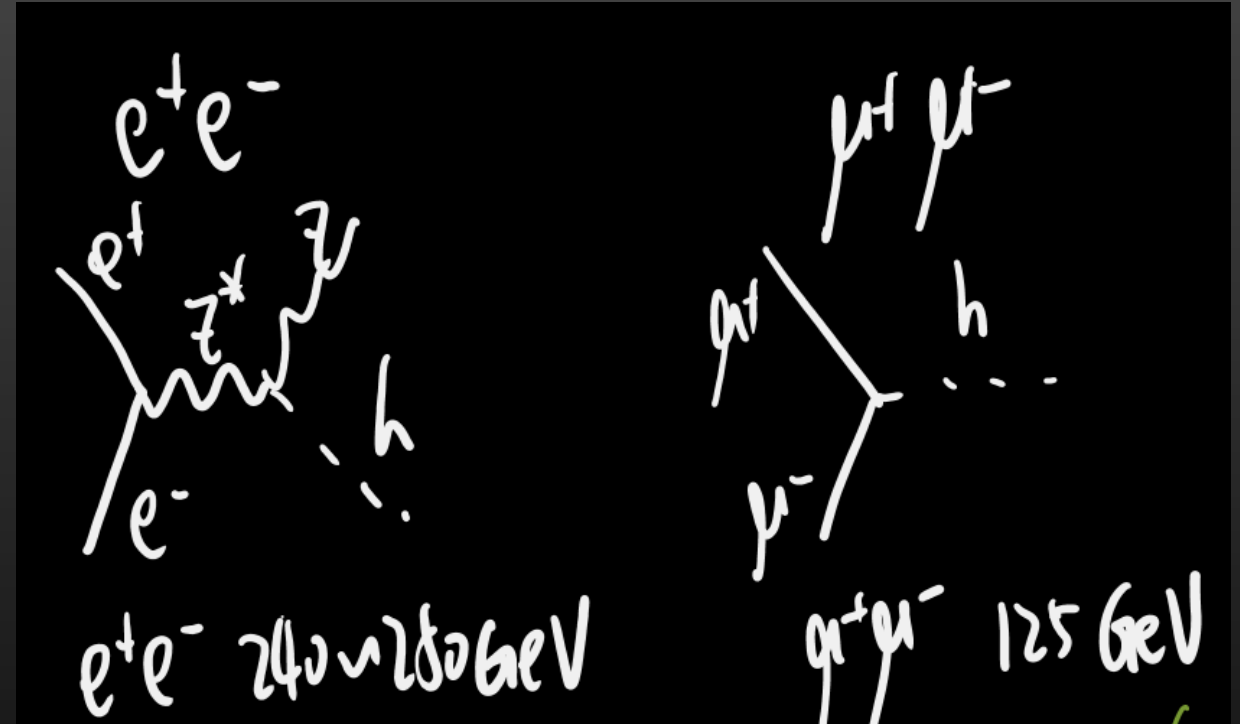
- All Kappas are positively correlated with the total width (from the point of cross sections);
- The naïve scaling of $\kappa_{tot} \propto \kappa_{i,f}^2$, does not reflect this flat direction, one needs additional particle width to enter;
- In principle, a given specific BSM model might have more constraints to all stronger constraints, but generally, this direction is unconstrained that leads to a bad projection of sensitivity (without the correlation matrix).

Is the Higgs
fundamental?

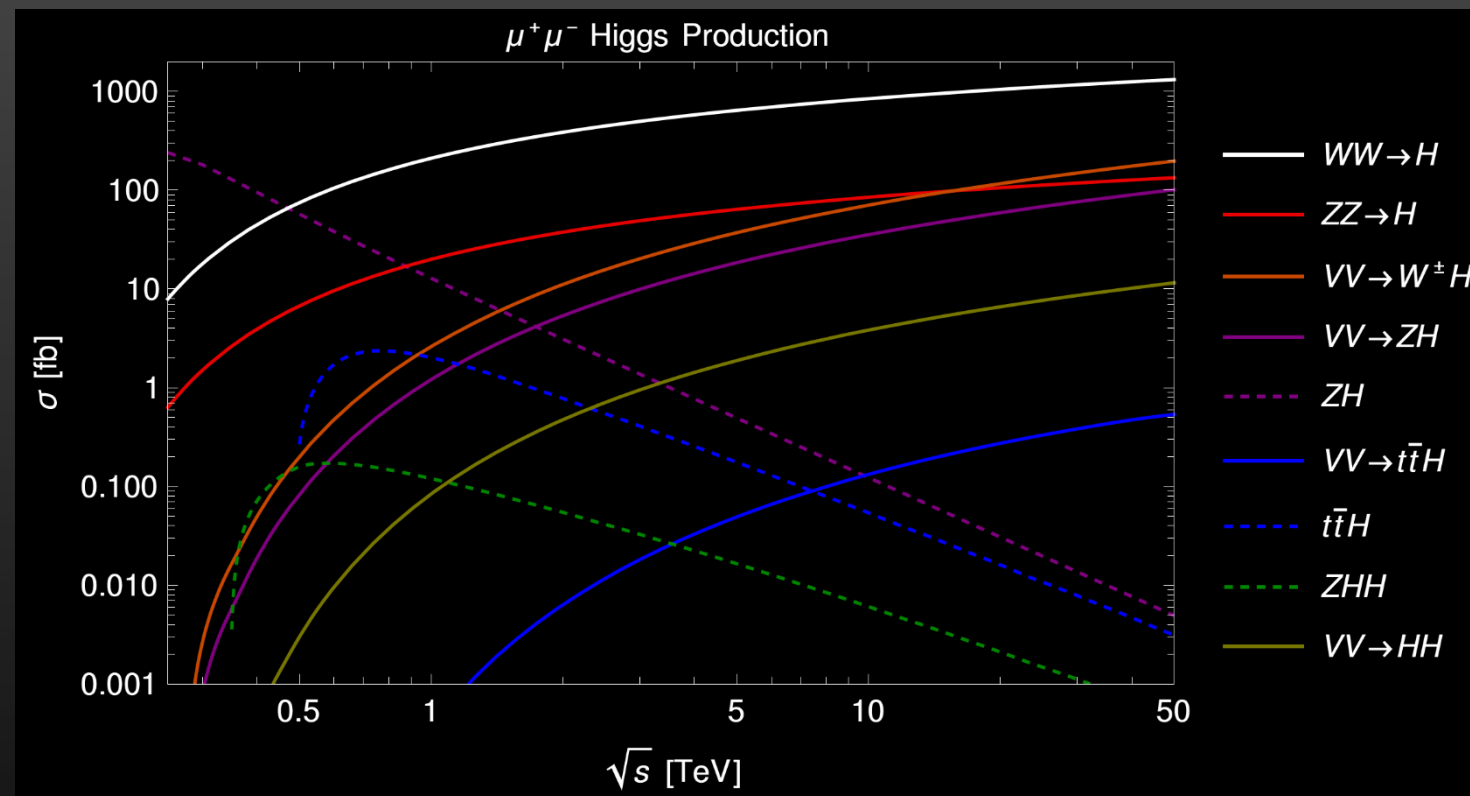
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Future Higgs factories, e.g., can solve this issue by inclusive Higgs measurement or lineshape scan.

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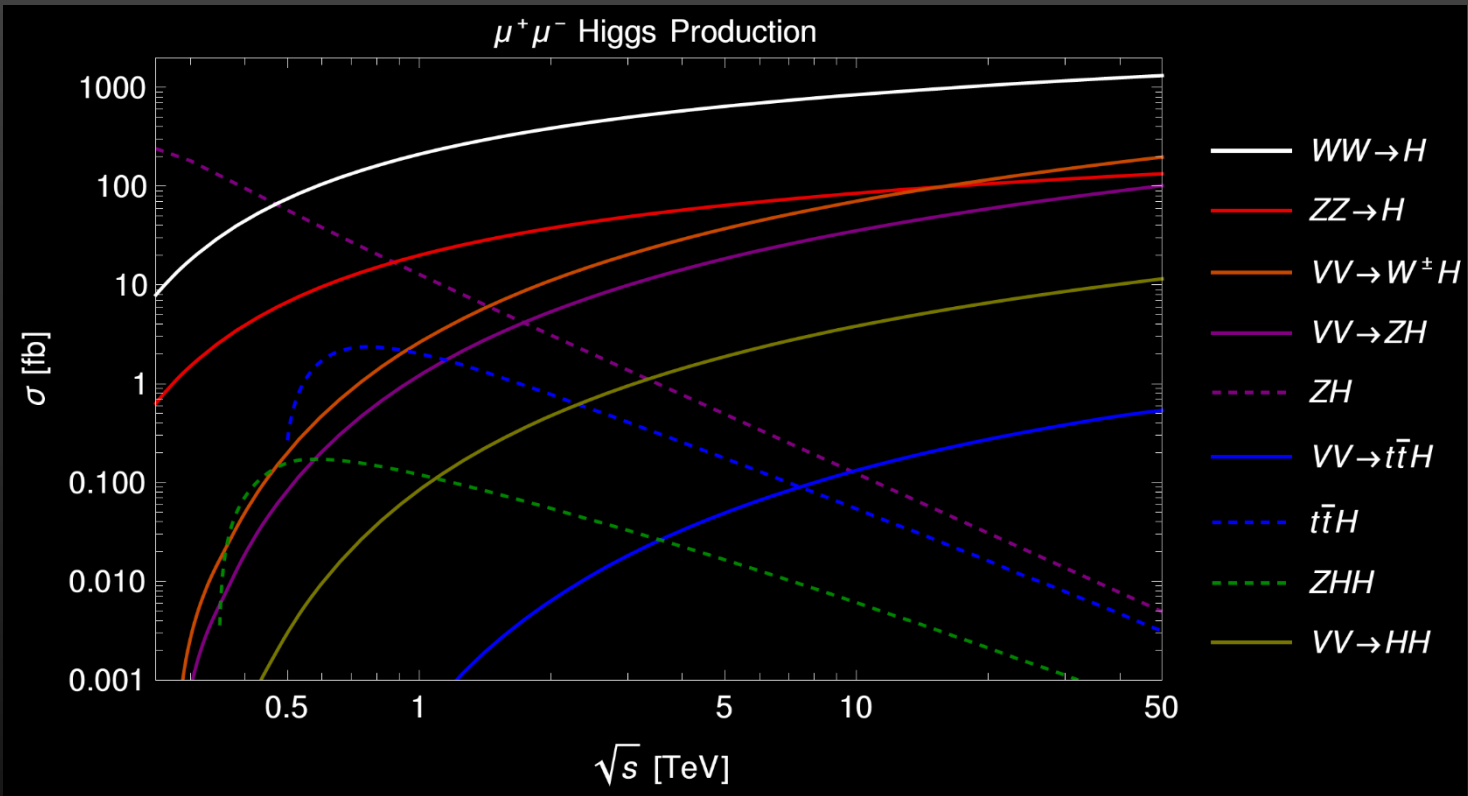


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Production	Decay	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ (%)	
		3 TeV	10 TeV
WW-fusion	bb	0.84	0.24
	cc	14	4.4
	gg	4.2	1.2
	$\tau^+\tau^-$	4.5	1.3
	$WW^*(jj\ell\nu)$	1.8	0.50
	$WW^*(4j)$	5.7	1.4
	$ZZ^*(4\ell)$	48	13
	$ZZ^*(jj\ell\ell)$	12	3.5
	$ZZ^*(4j)$	67	16
	$\gamma\gamma$	7.7	2.1
	$Z(jj)\gamma$	73	20
	$\mu^+\mu^-$	43	11
ZZ-fusion	bb	7.9	2.2
	$bb, (N_\mu \geq 2)$	2.6	0.77
	$WW^*(4j)$	49	12
	$WW^*(4j), (N_\mu \geq 2)$	17	4.3
tth	bb	61	53



M. Forsslund, P. Meade, [2203.09425](#)

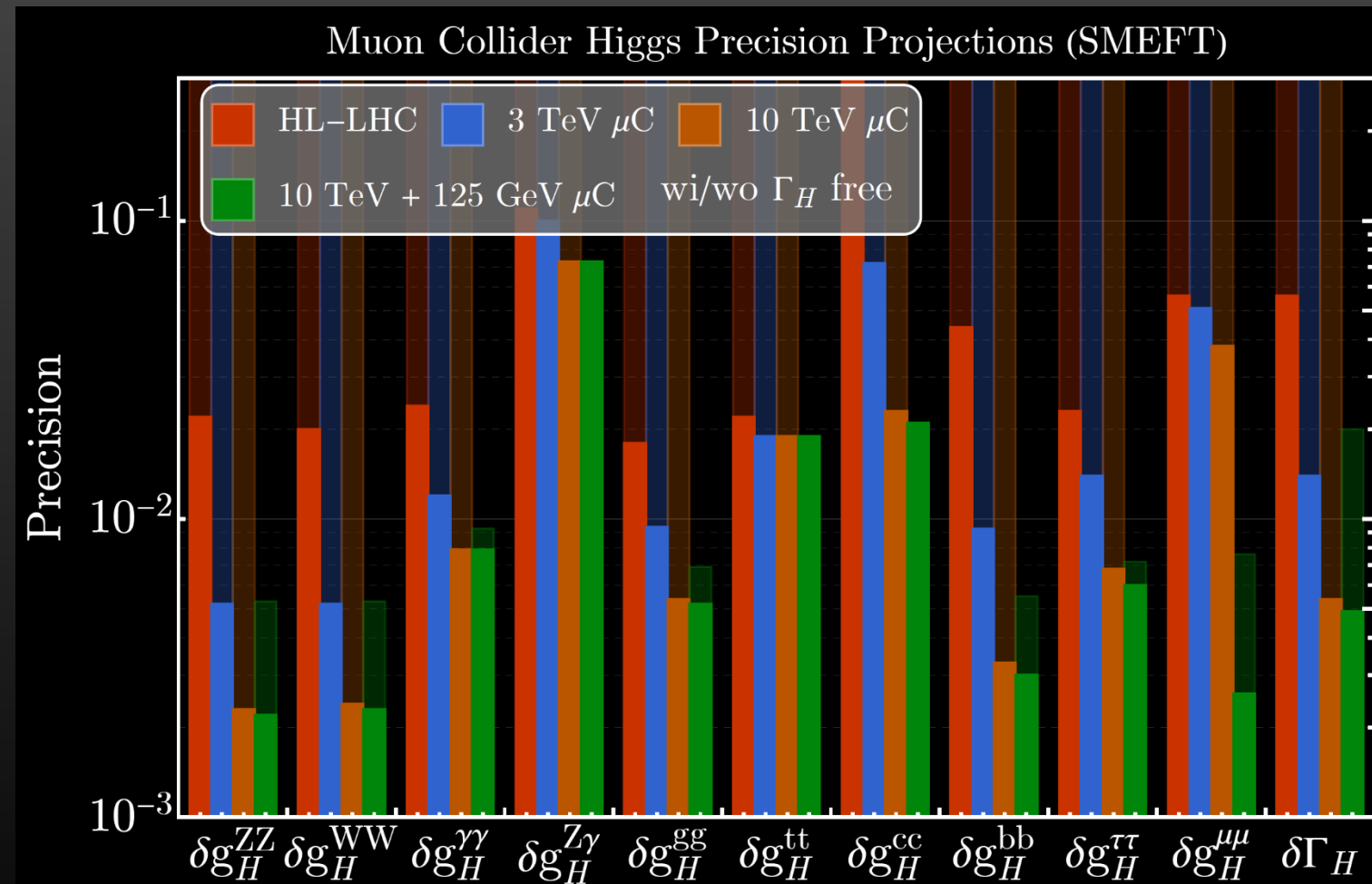
See also discussion in
Muon Smasher's Guide, [2103.14043](#)

T. Han, Y. Ma, K.-P. Xie, [2007.14300](#);

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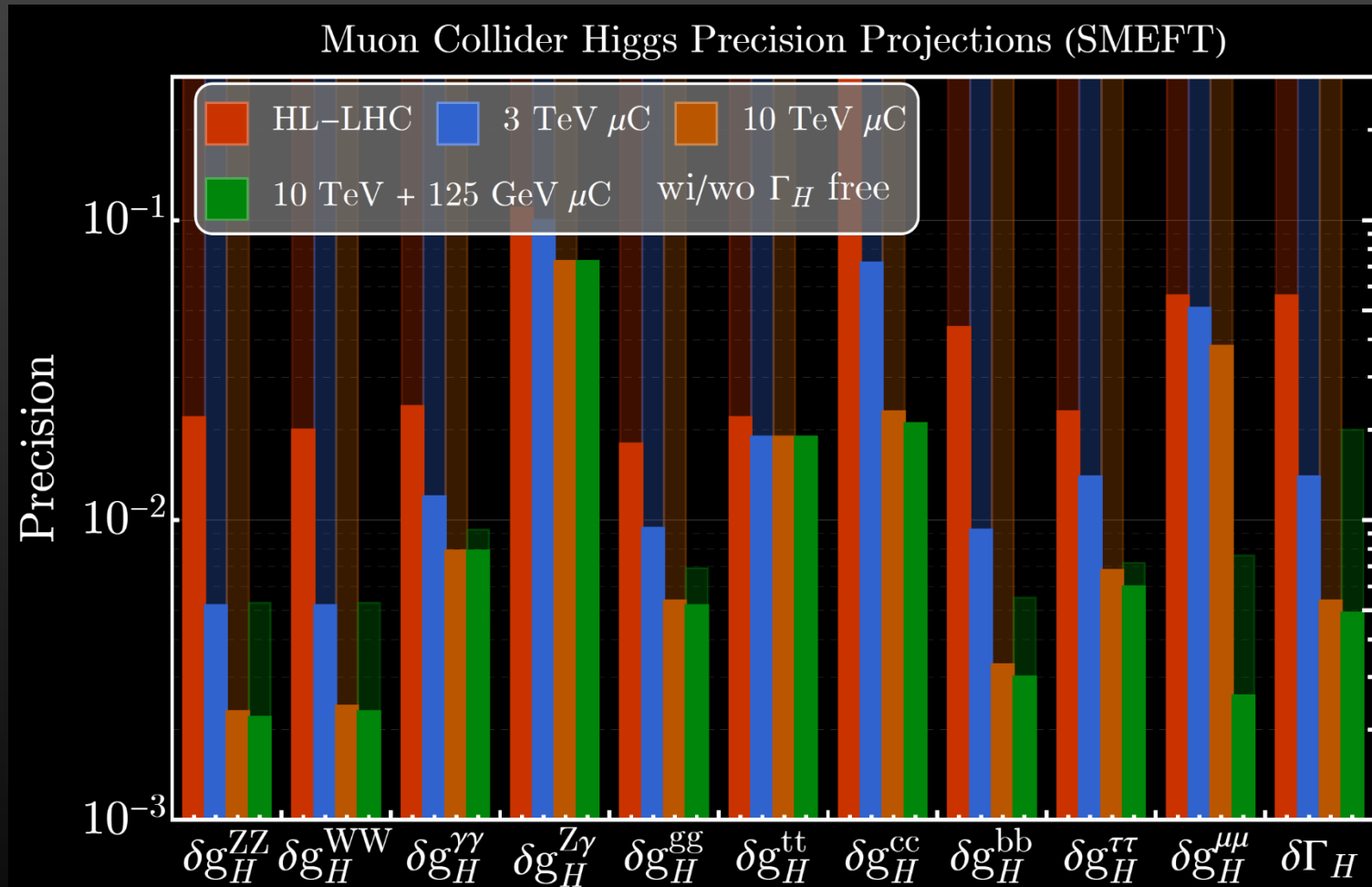


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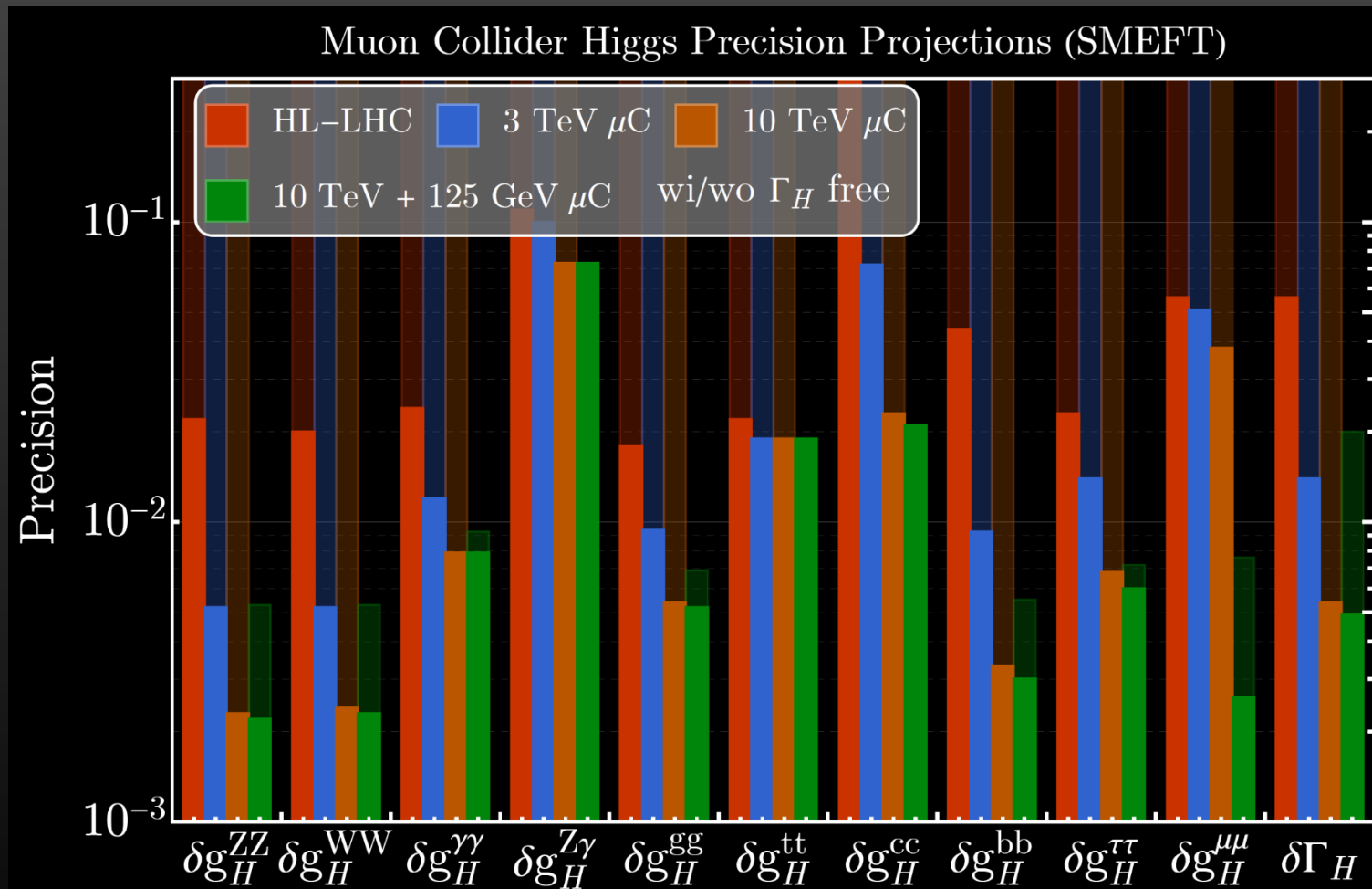


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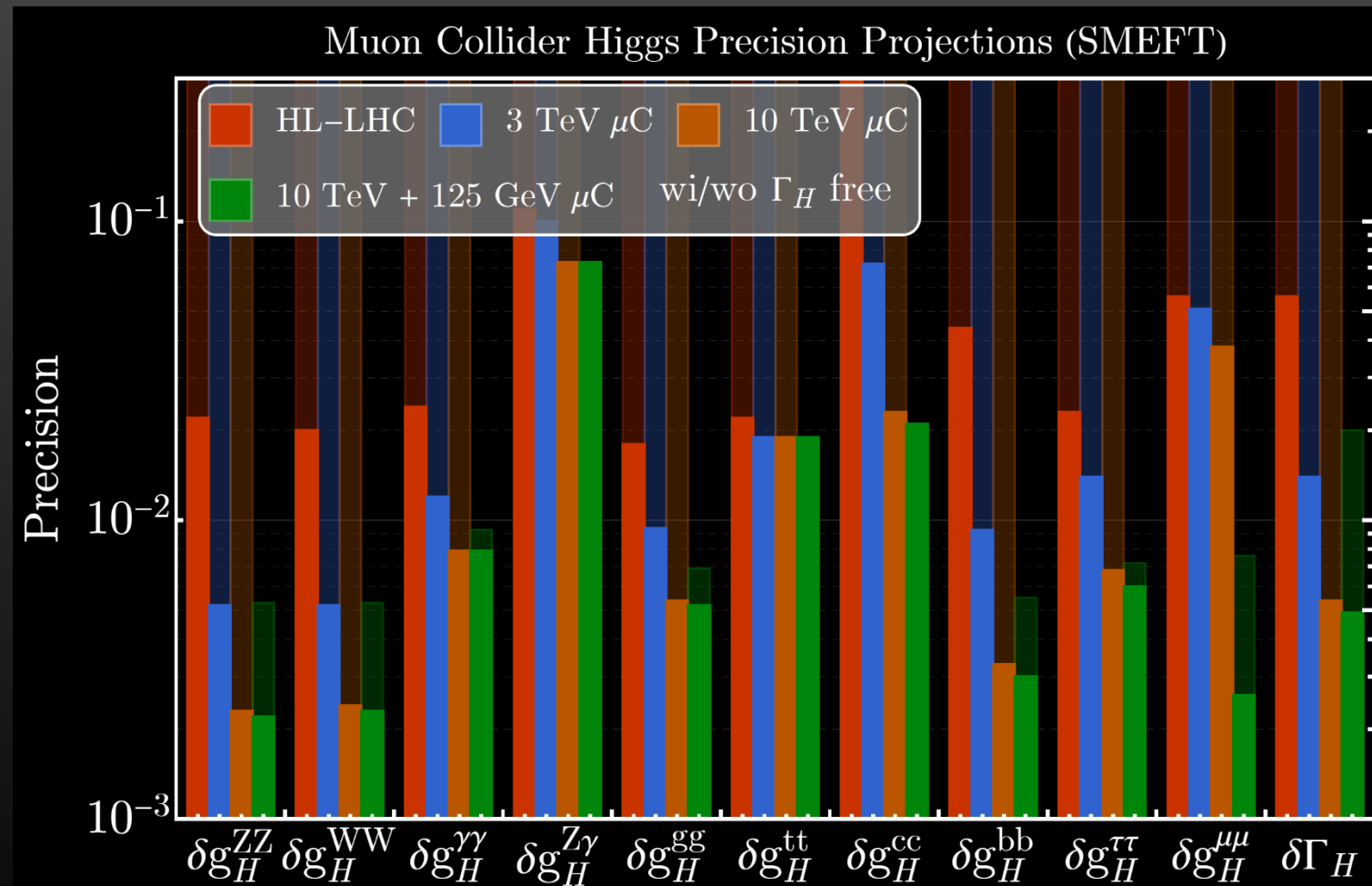
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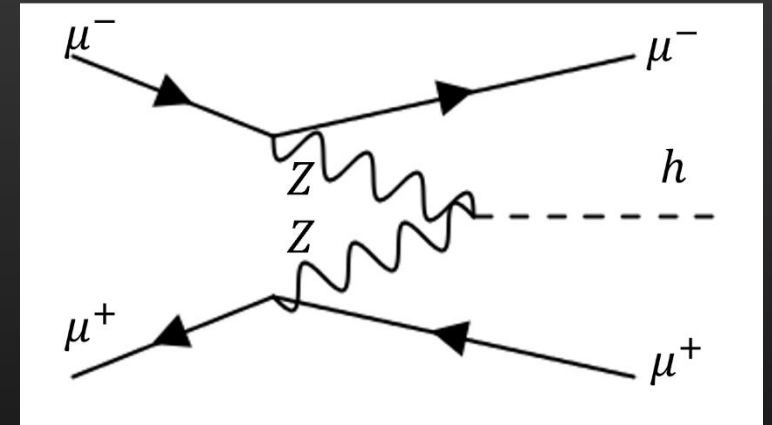
Forward muon coverage: $2.5 < \eta(\mu) < 4, 6, 8$

P.R. Li, ZL, K.F. Lyu, [2401.08756](#)

$$p_h = (\sqrt{s}, 0, 0, 0) - p_{\mu^+} - p_{\mu^-}$$

$$m_h^2 = \left[(\sqrt{s}, 0, 0, 0) - p_{\mu^+} - p_{\mu^-} \right]^2$$

Recoil mass of dimuon

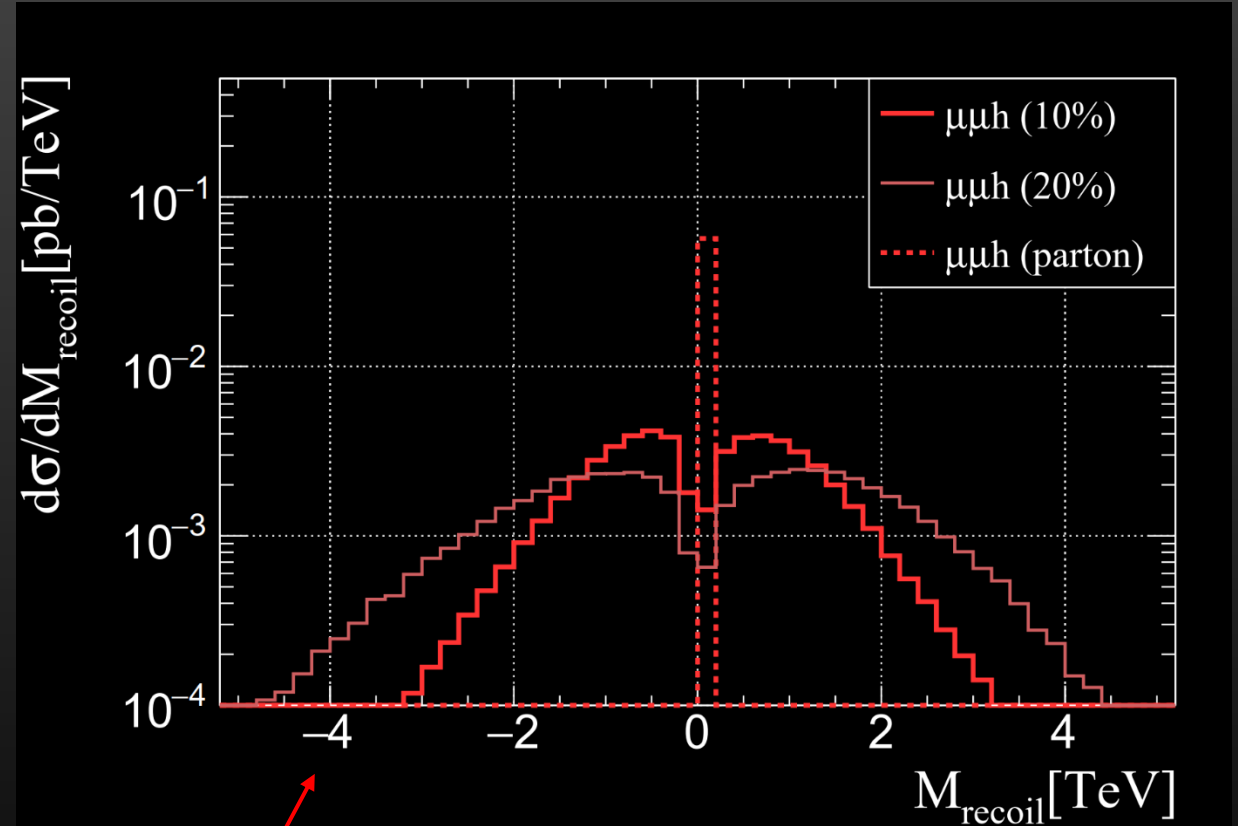


This subleading Higgs production channel, once tagged, does not rely on the detection of Higgs decay channel.

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Due to the uncertainty of high energy measurement, the smearing effect dominate the recoil mass distribution.

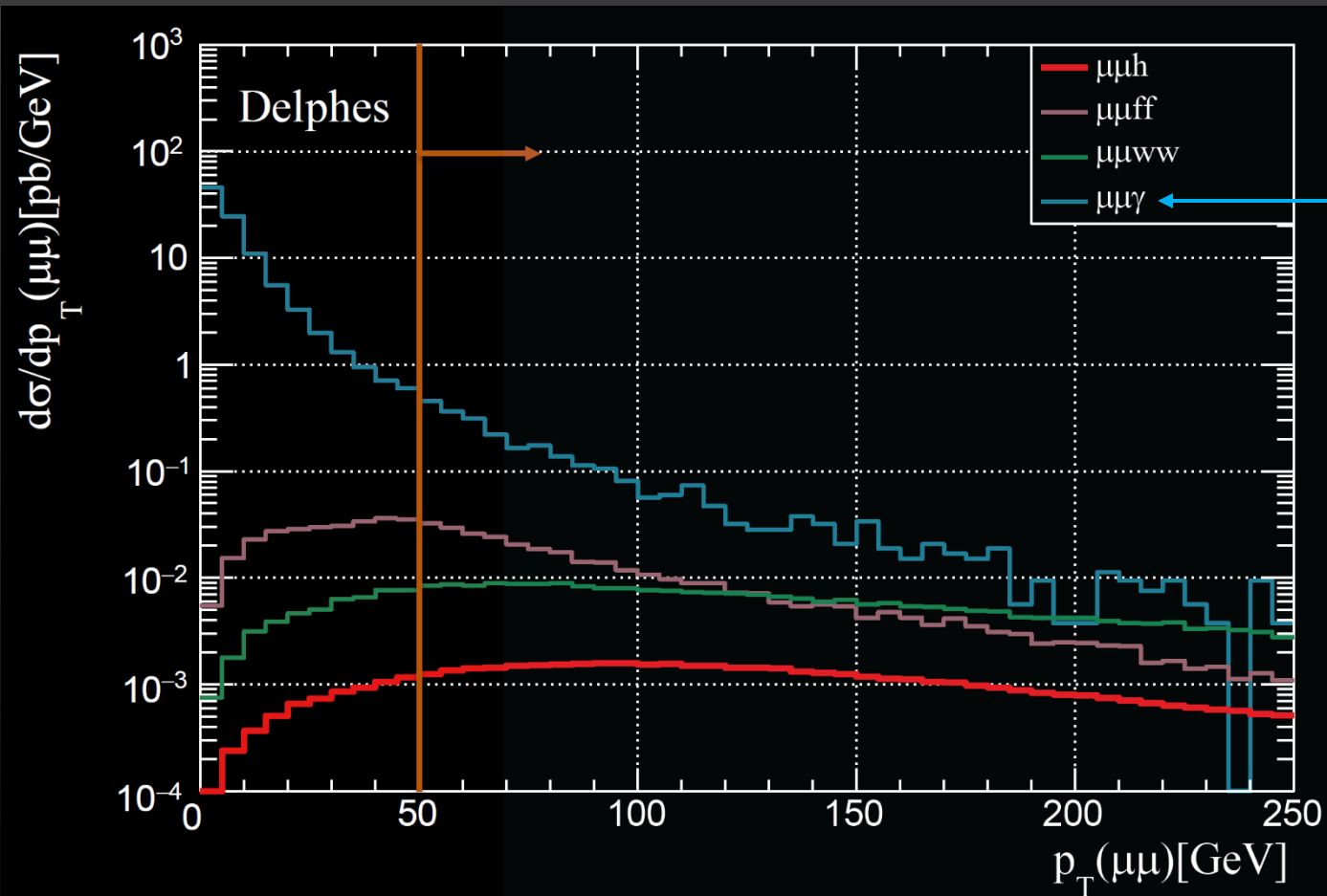


Fast detector simulation using Delphes.

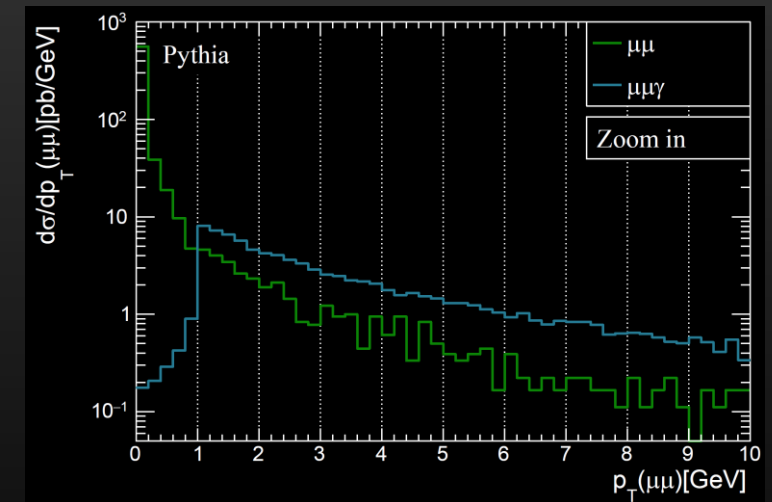
$$\left[(\sqrt{s}, 0, 0, 0) - p_{\mu^+} - p_{\mu^-} \right]^2 < 0$$

Signal vs. Background ($\sqrt{s} = 10$ TeV)

Require $p_T(\mu\mu) > 50$ GeV

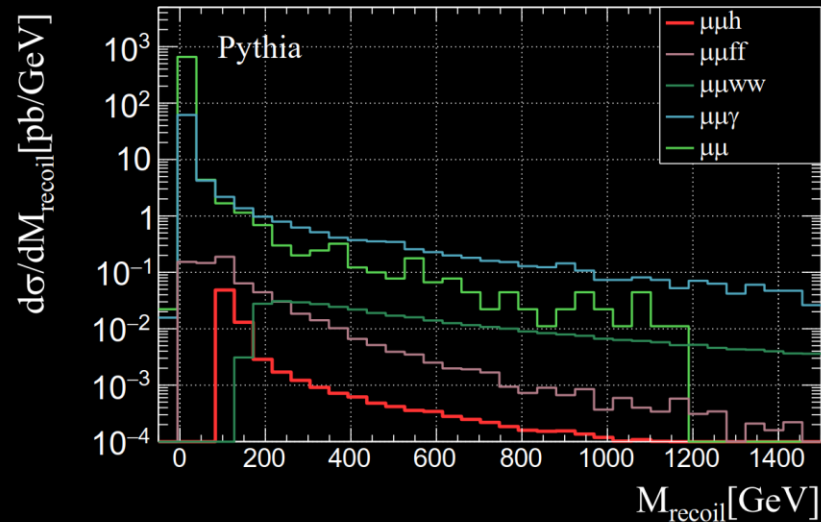
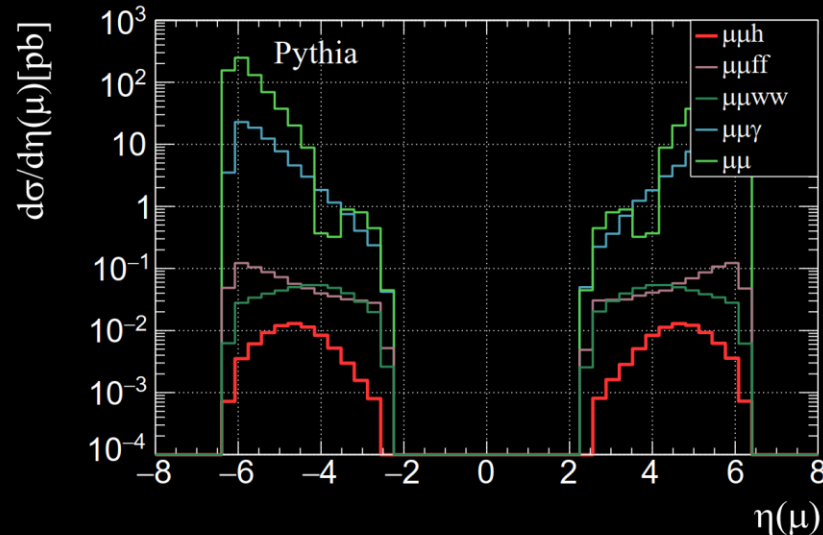
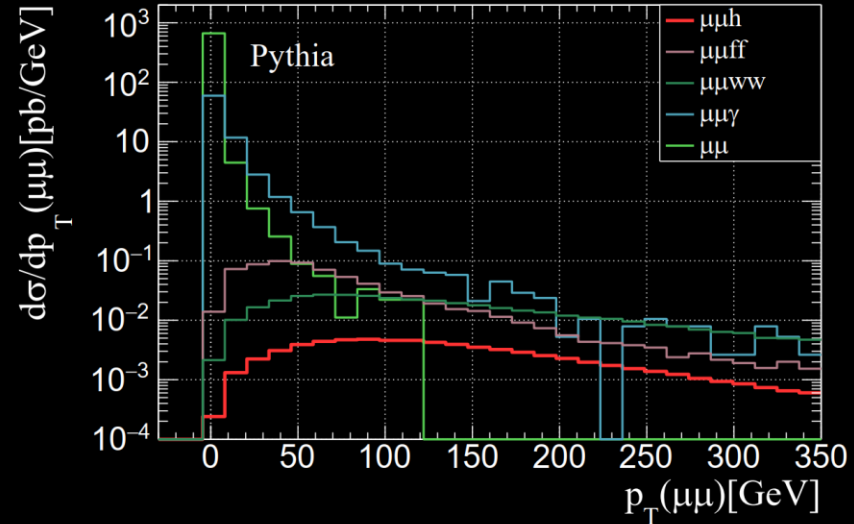
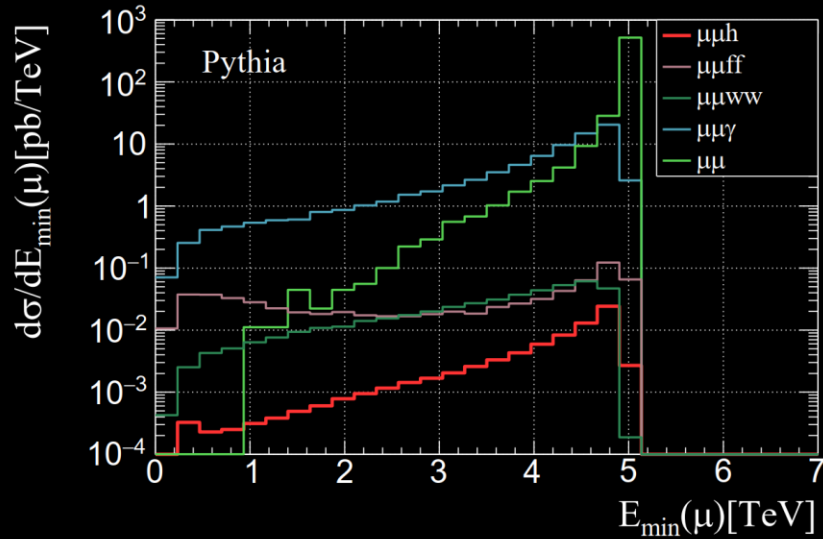


Merging $\mu\mu \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $\mu\mu \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$



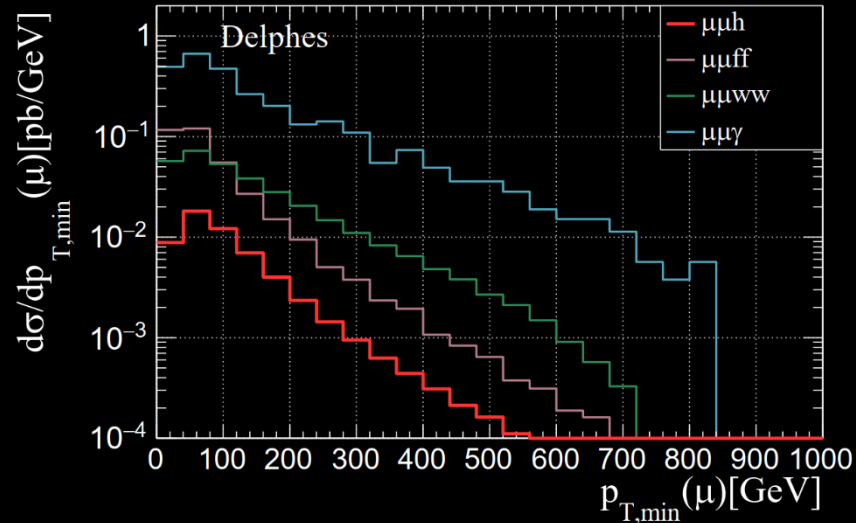
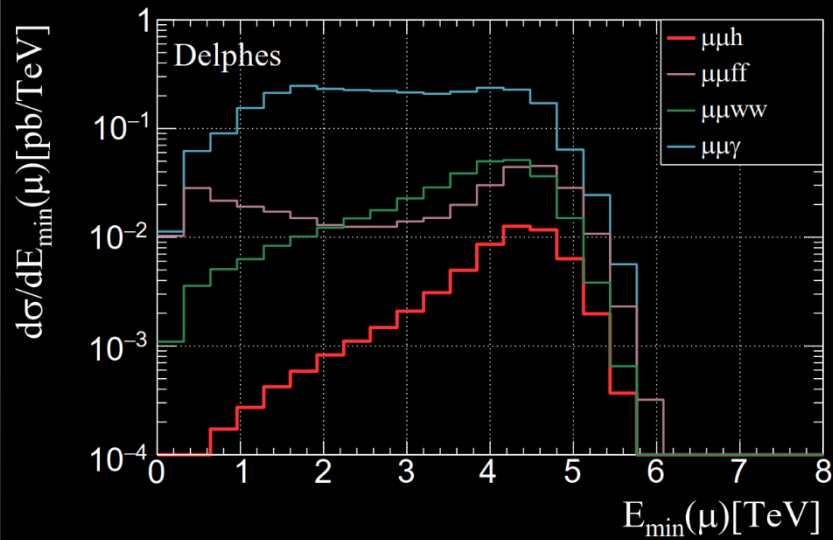
Also see a similar treatment in Higgs invisible study, Ruhdorfer, Salvioni, Wulzer, [2303.14202](#)

Other relevant distributions

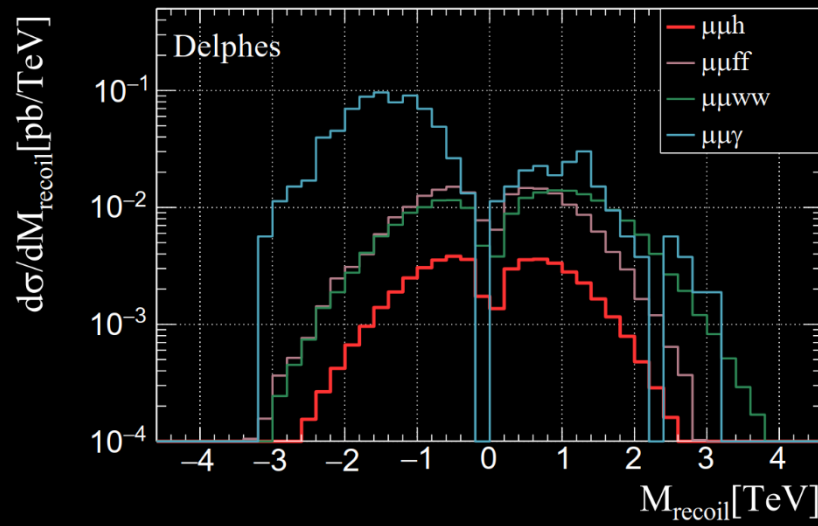
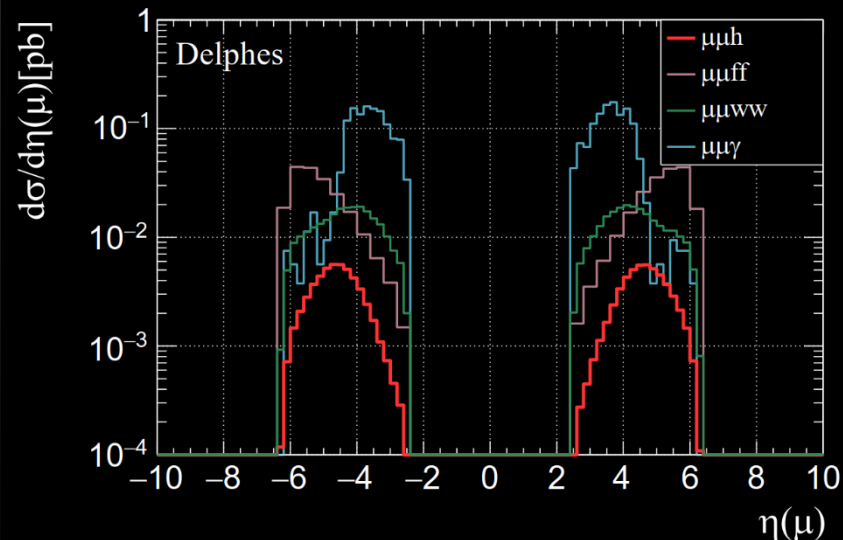


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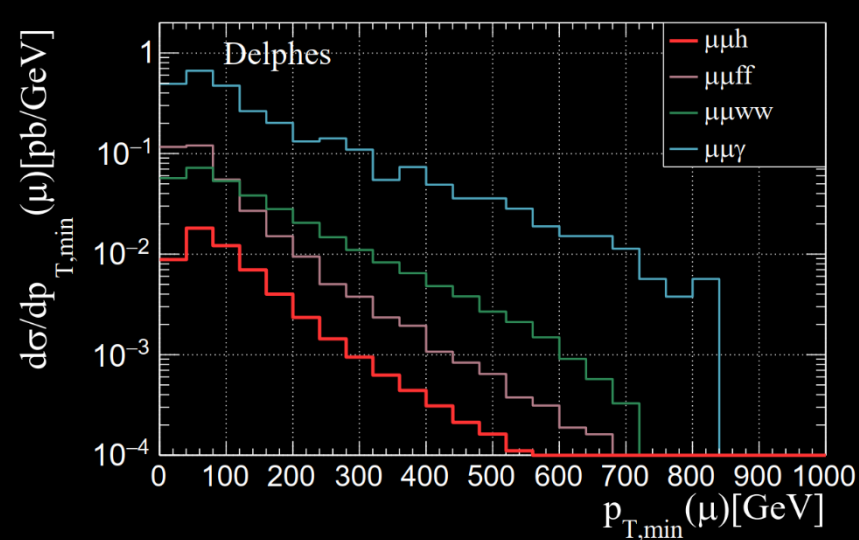
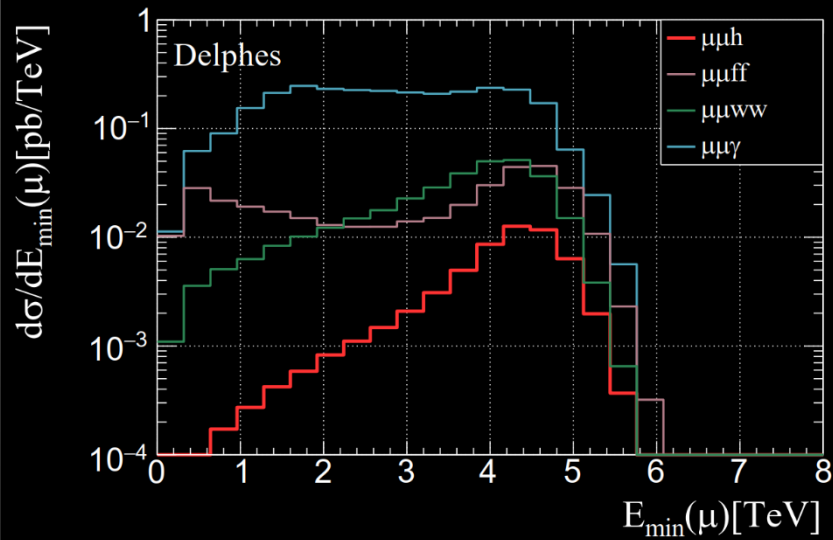
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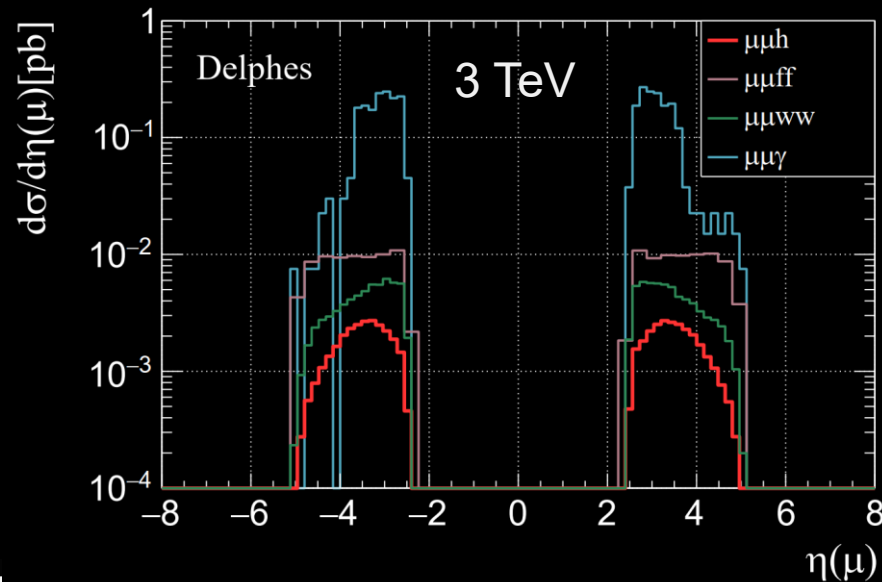
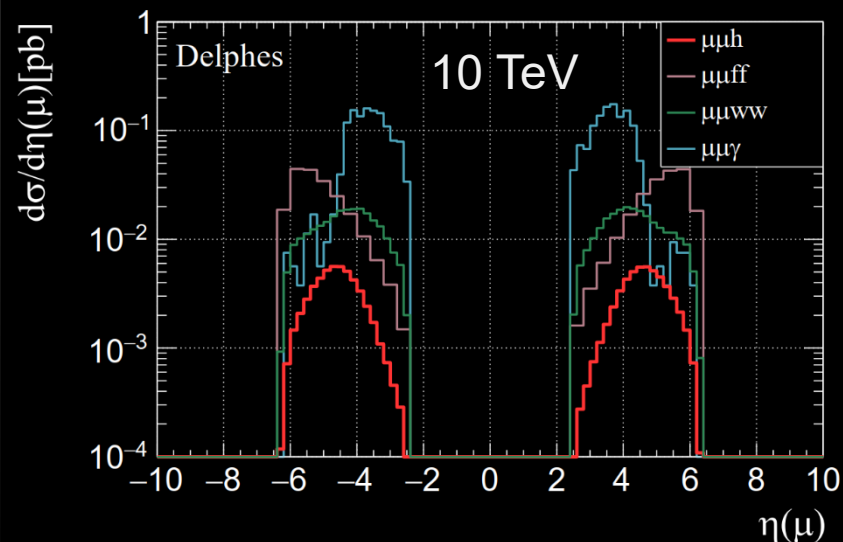
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Process	Pre-selection	$p_T(\mu\mu) > 50 \text{ GeV}$	$E(\mu) > 3000 \text{ GeV} \ \& \ p_{T,\text{min}}(\mu) < 300 \text{ GeV}$
$\mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- h$	73.3%	65.7%	56.4% (0.0489 pb)
$\mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- \gamma$	13.1%	0.38%	0.12% (0.906 pb)
$\mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- f \bar{f}$	8.13%	4.69%	2.58% (0.199 pb)
$\mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- W^+W^-$	40.0%	34.9%	22.0% (0.207 pb)

10 TeV

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Covering up to eta of 6 is critical for 10 TeV.

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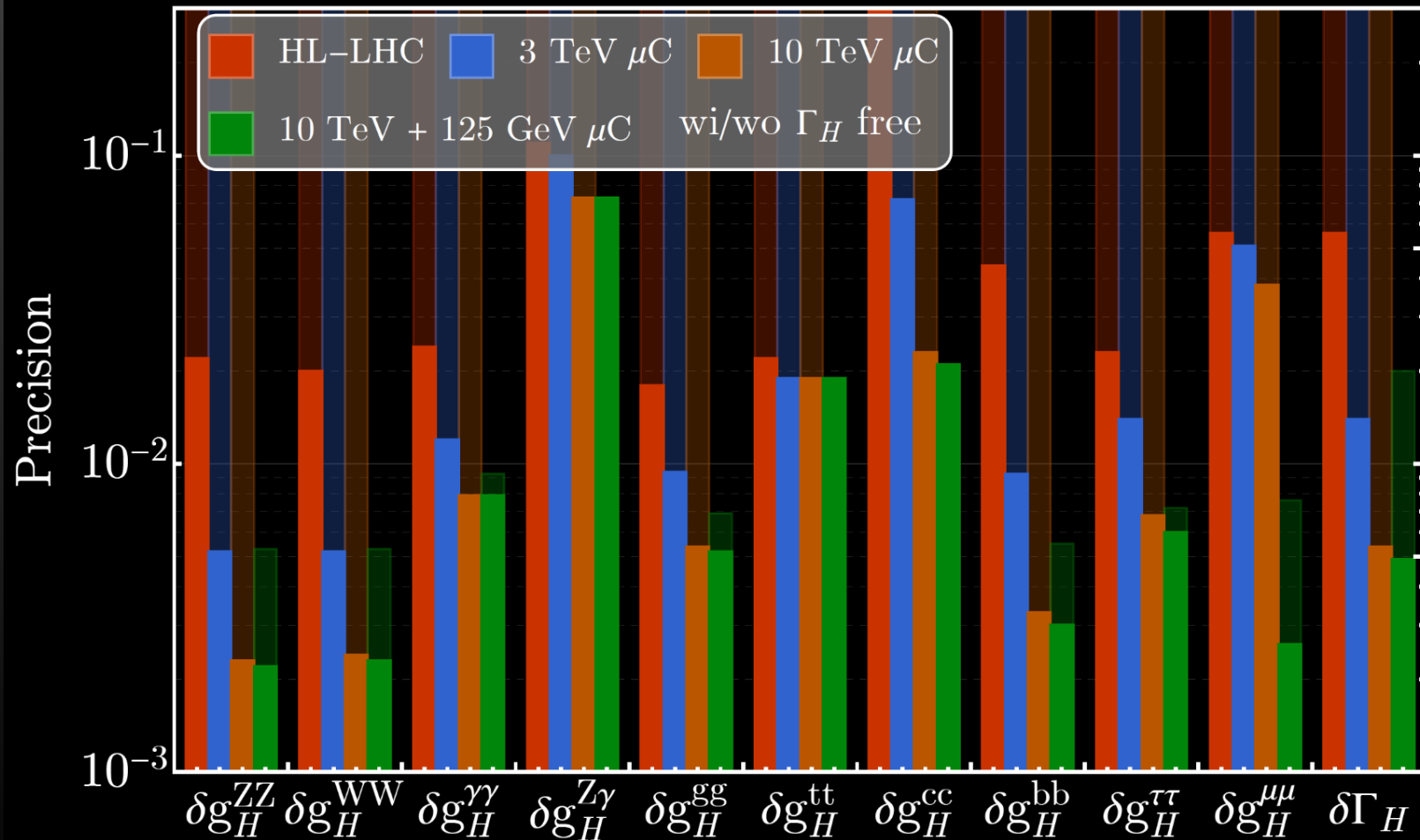
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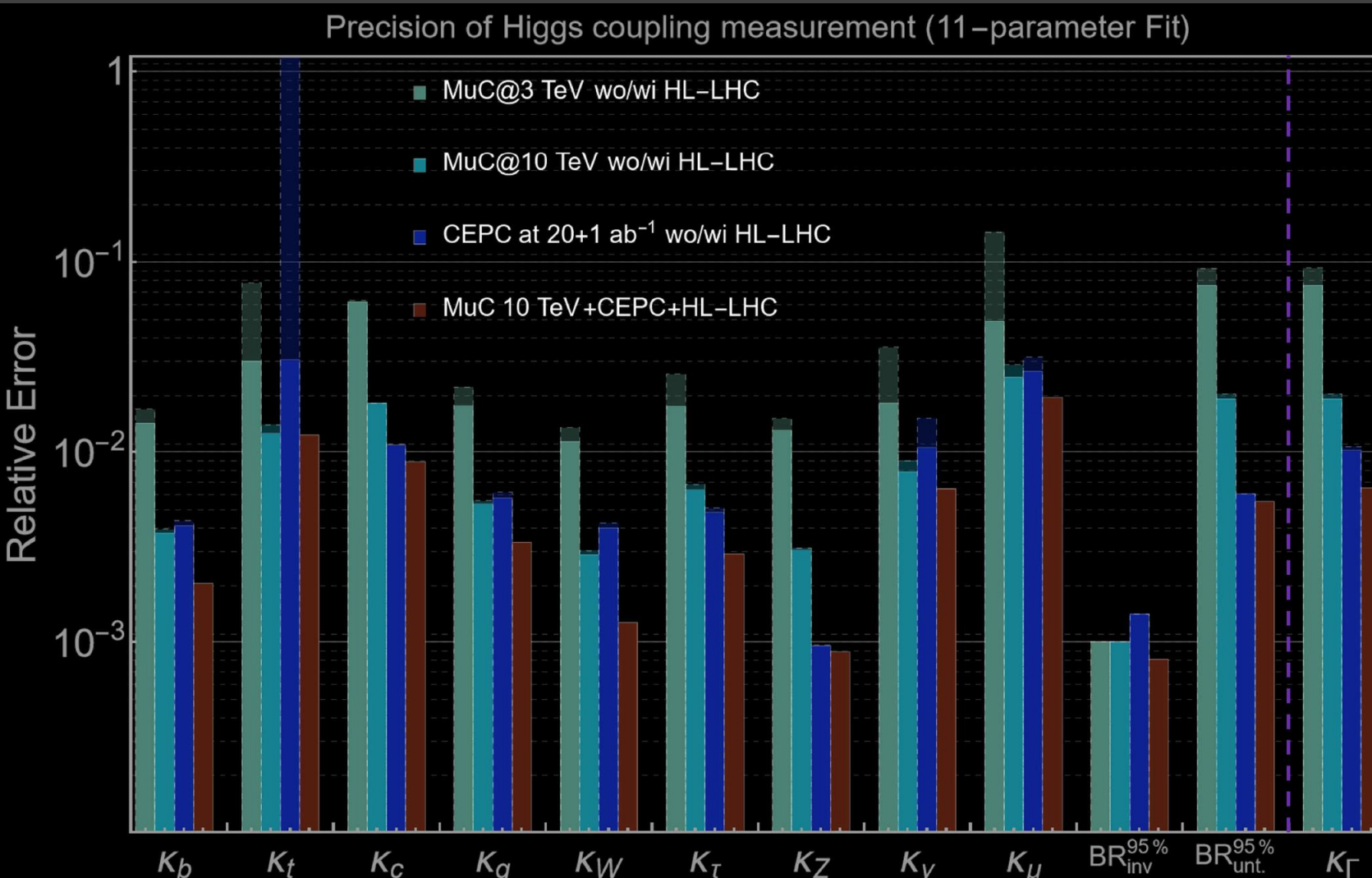
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$\kappa_W(\%)$	+7.5 −0.15	+1.7 −0.13	+0.17 −0.099	+0.51 −0.10	+0.48 −0.10	+0.16 −0.090
$\kappa_{\tau}(\%)$	+7.5 −0.62	+1.8 −0.57	+0.33 −0.27	+0.76 −0.56	+0.71 −0.55	+0.32 −0.27
$\kappa_Z(\%)$	+7.3 −1.4	+1.9 −0.93	+0.13 −0.058	+0.37 −0.25	+0.37 −0.25	+0.12 −0.056
$\kappa_{\gamma}(\%)$	+7.6 −0.83	+1.8 −0.71	+0.66 −0.64	+0.97 −0.82	+0.86 −0.71	+0.65 −0.64
$\kappa_{\mu}(\%)$	+9.1 −5.0	+3.8 −3.6	+2.3 −2.4	+2.9 −2.9	+2.5 −2.5	+1.9 −2.0
$\text{Br}_{\text{inv}}^{95\%}(\%)$	+0.64 0	+0.63 0	+0.13 0	+0.10 0	+0.10 0	+0.080 0
$\text{Br}_{\text{unt}}^{95\%}(\%)$	+27 0	+6.6 0	+0.57 0	+2.0 0	+1.9 0	+0.54 0
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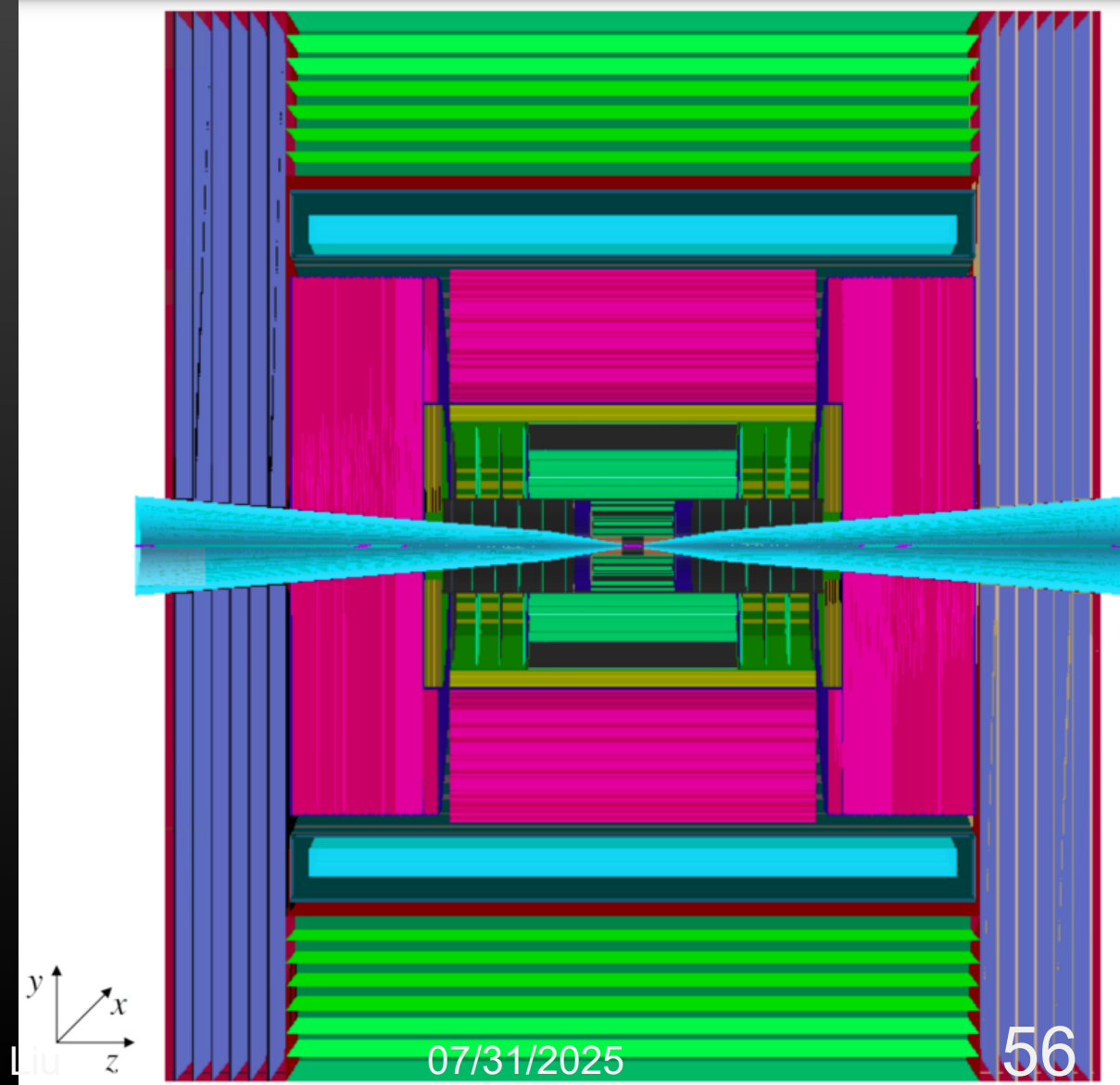
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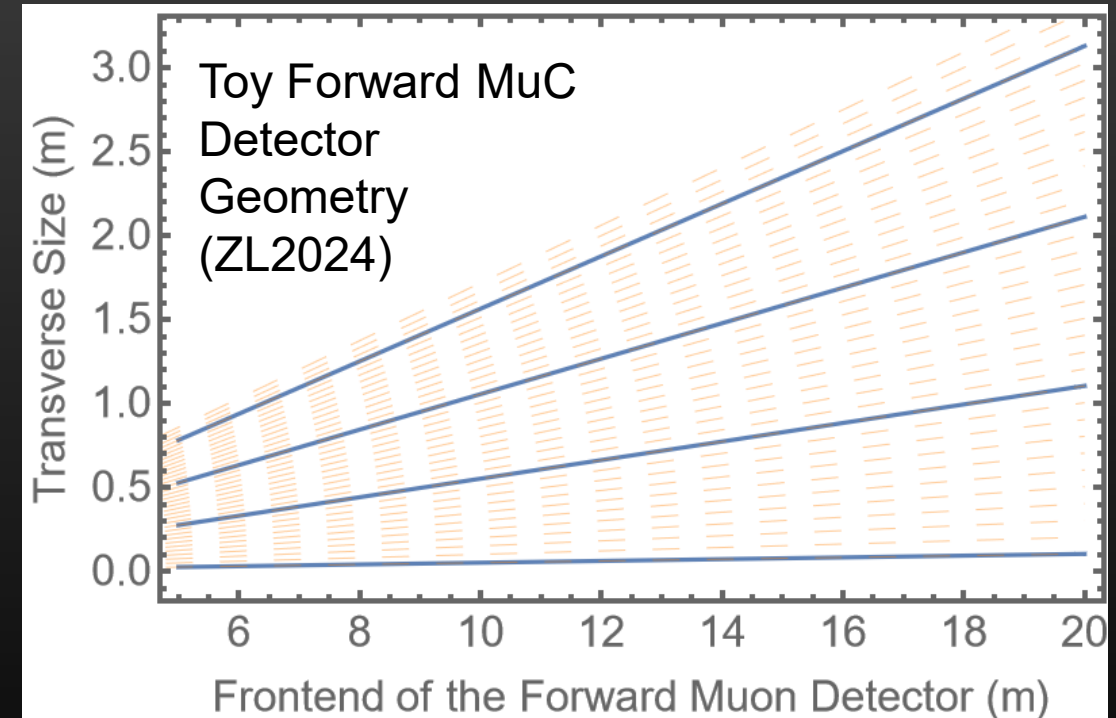
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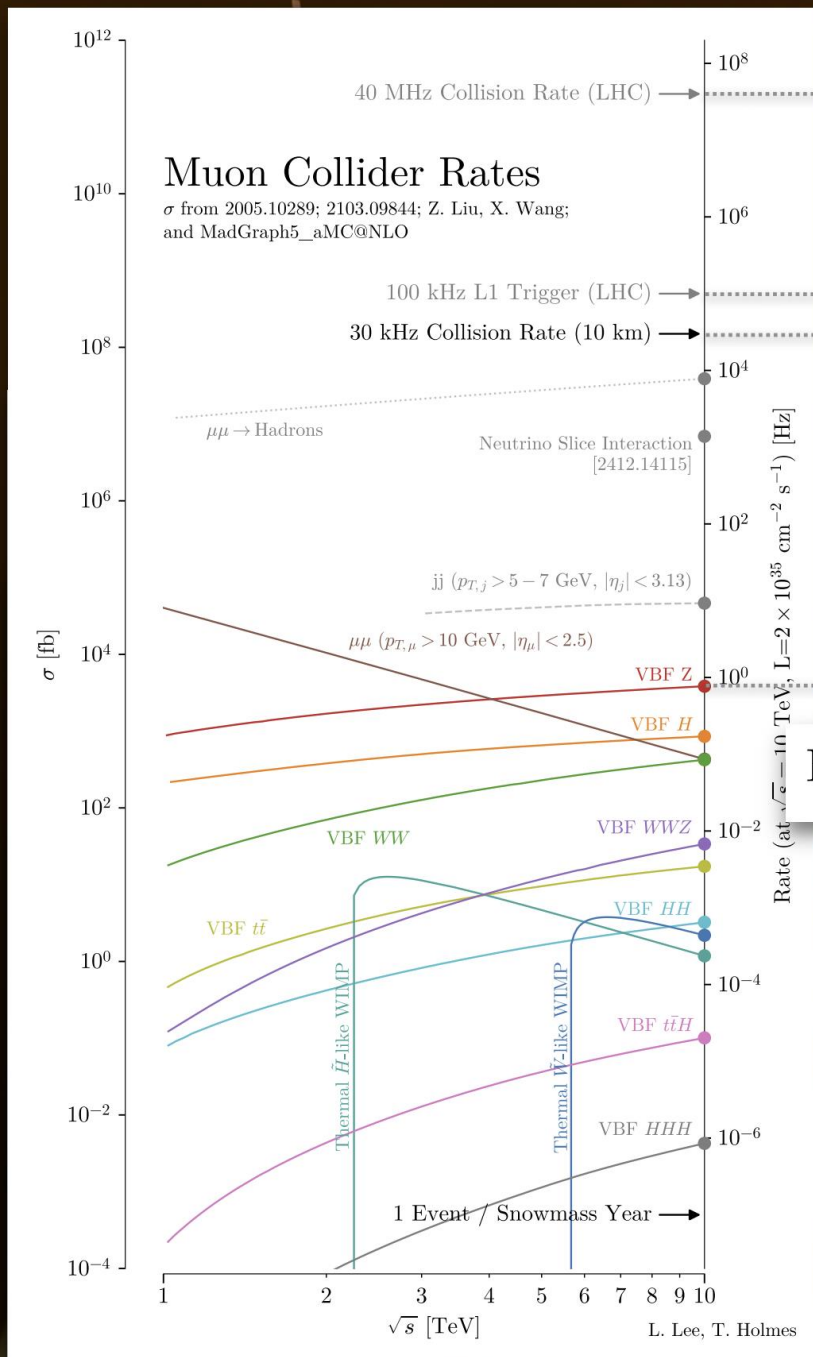
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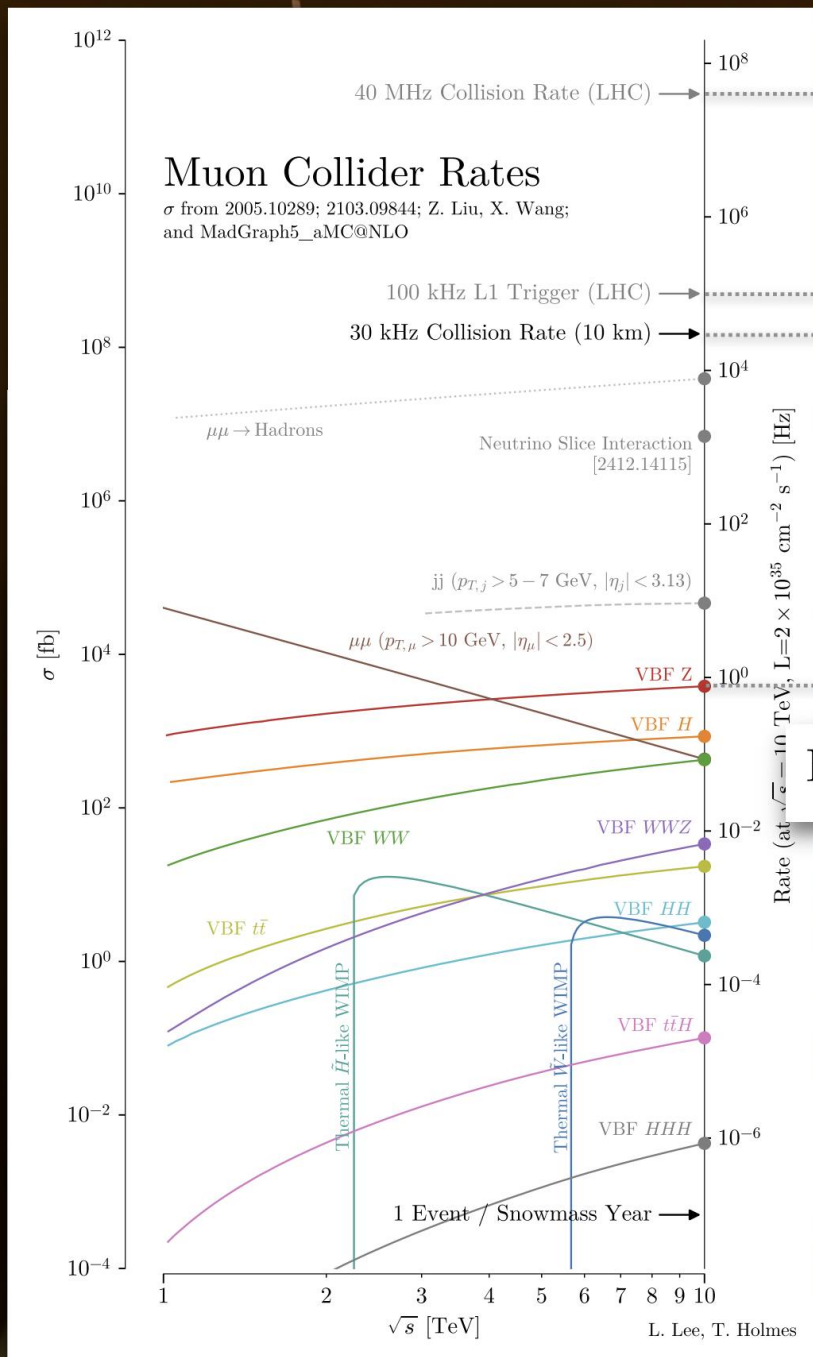


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Muon Collider is Specially Interesting

Challenges and Surprises

When thinking outside the box of the Standard SM and BSM physics, we can come up with many interesting research tasks. I gave two examples:

- Neutrino Slice
- Forward Muon

There are much more to explore!

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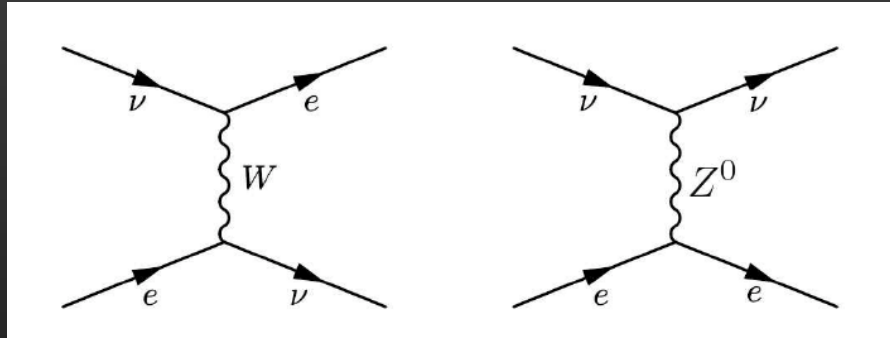
Note that (I want to avoid oversell):

- This flat direction is not mysterious or called upon by some special arrangement of UV theory. It represent a 'loose' direction in our global fit where couplings could vary AROUND a specific way.
- One can make assumptions (in fact, one has to do it for the LHC), e.g.,
 - No (unprobed) exotic decays
 - $\kappa_V \leq 1$
 - Specifying the underlying model
 - Off-shell on-shell Higgs rate comparison (other assumptions needed)
- Measurement information is encoded in all the differential rates, but it is natural to ask for Higgs precision that is projected onto the coupling precision axis;
- This framework and assumption set is commonly adapted by all future colliders, by ESG, and by Snowmass. It is meaningful to address this flat direction.

Rare BIN interactions

Neutrino-electron elastic scattering

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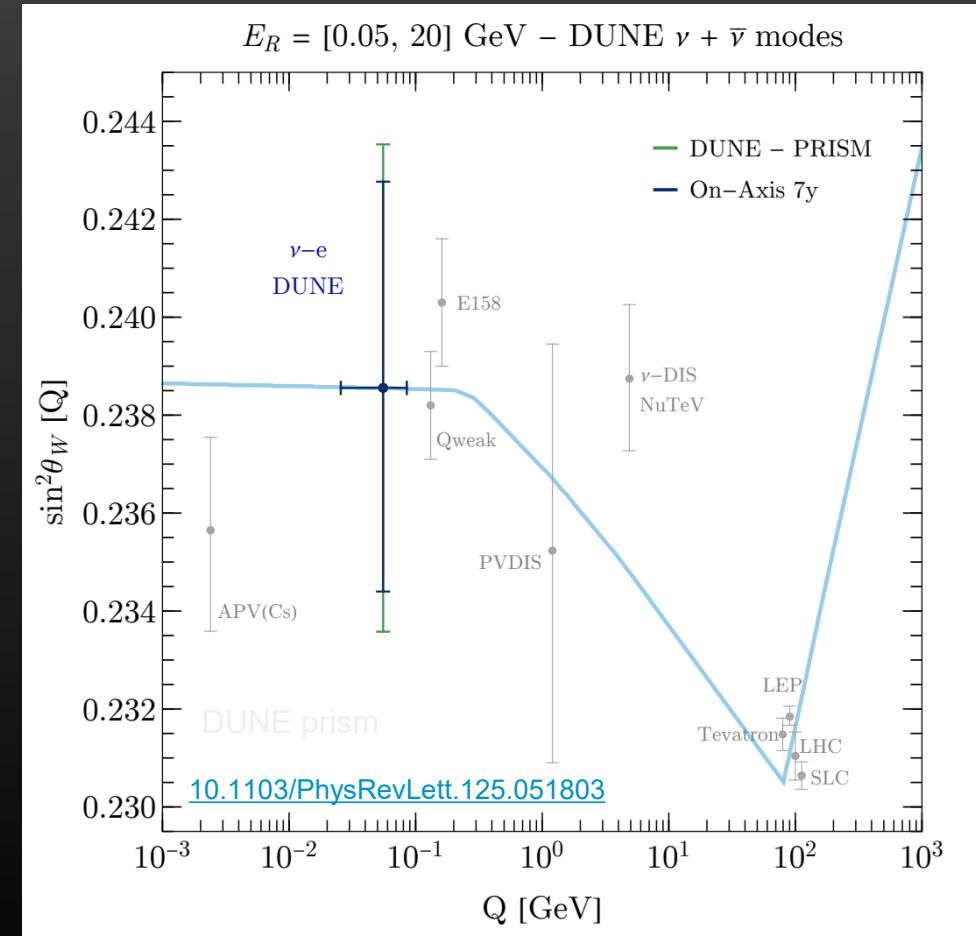


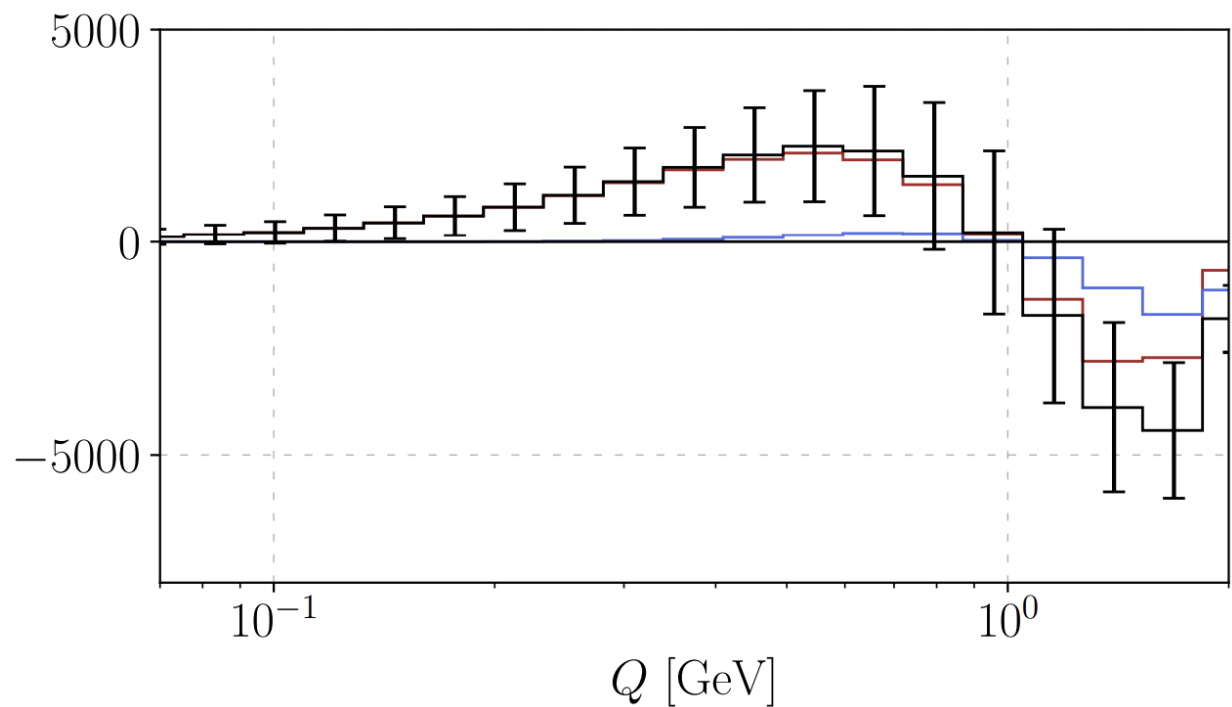
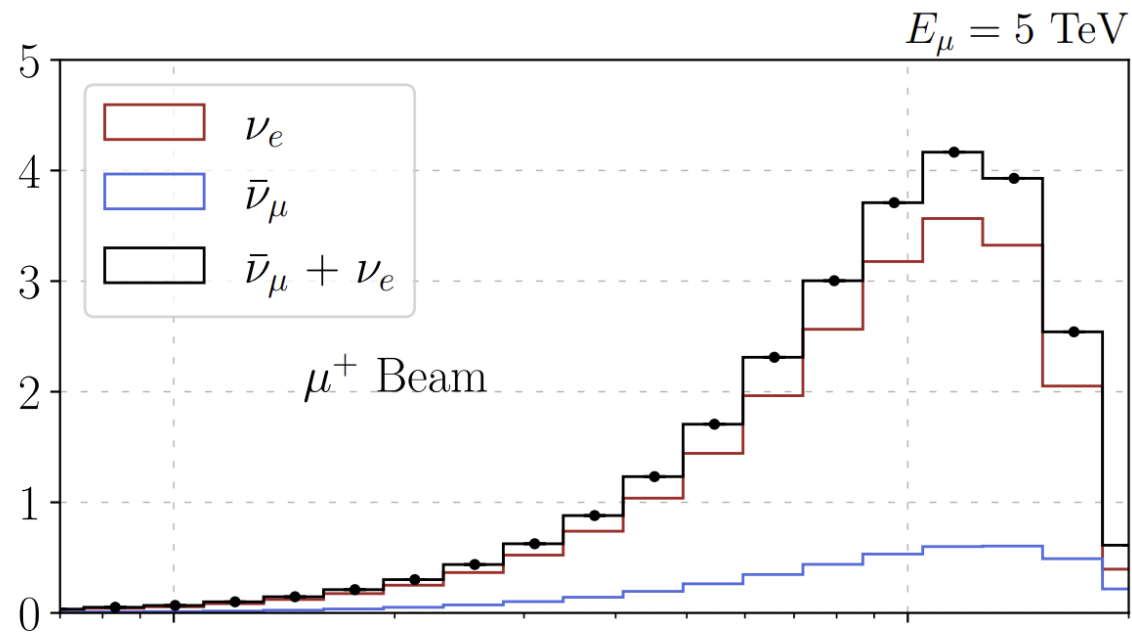
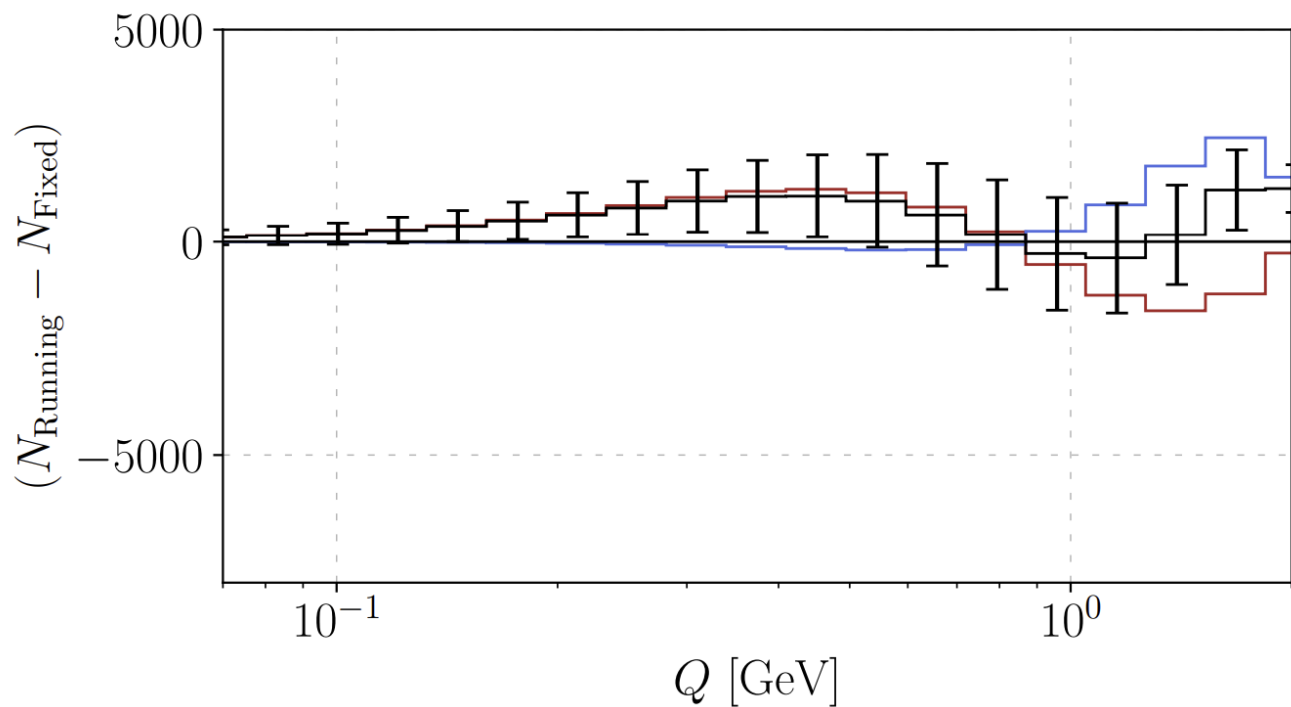
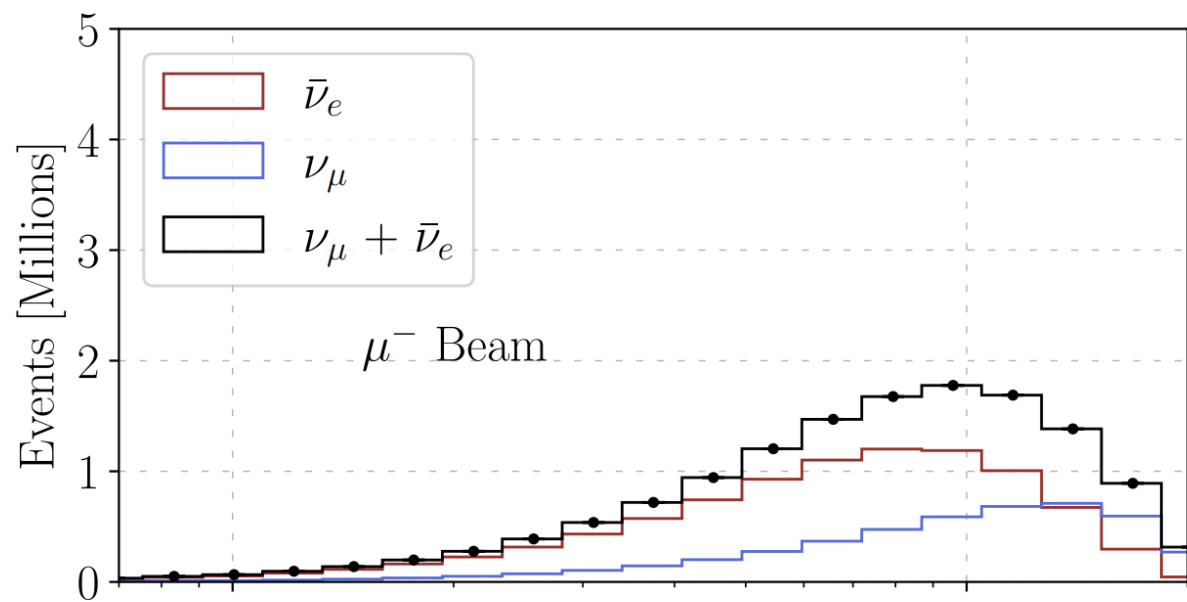
Clean channel and sensitive to fundamental Weak interaction parameters.

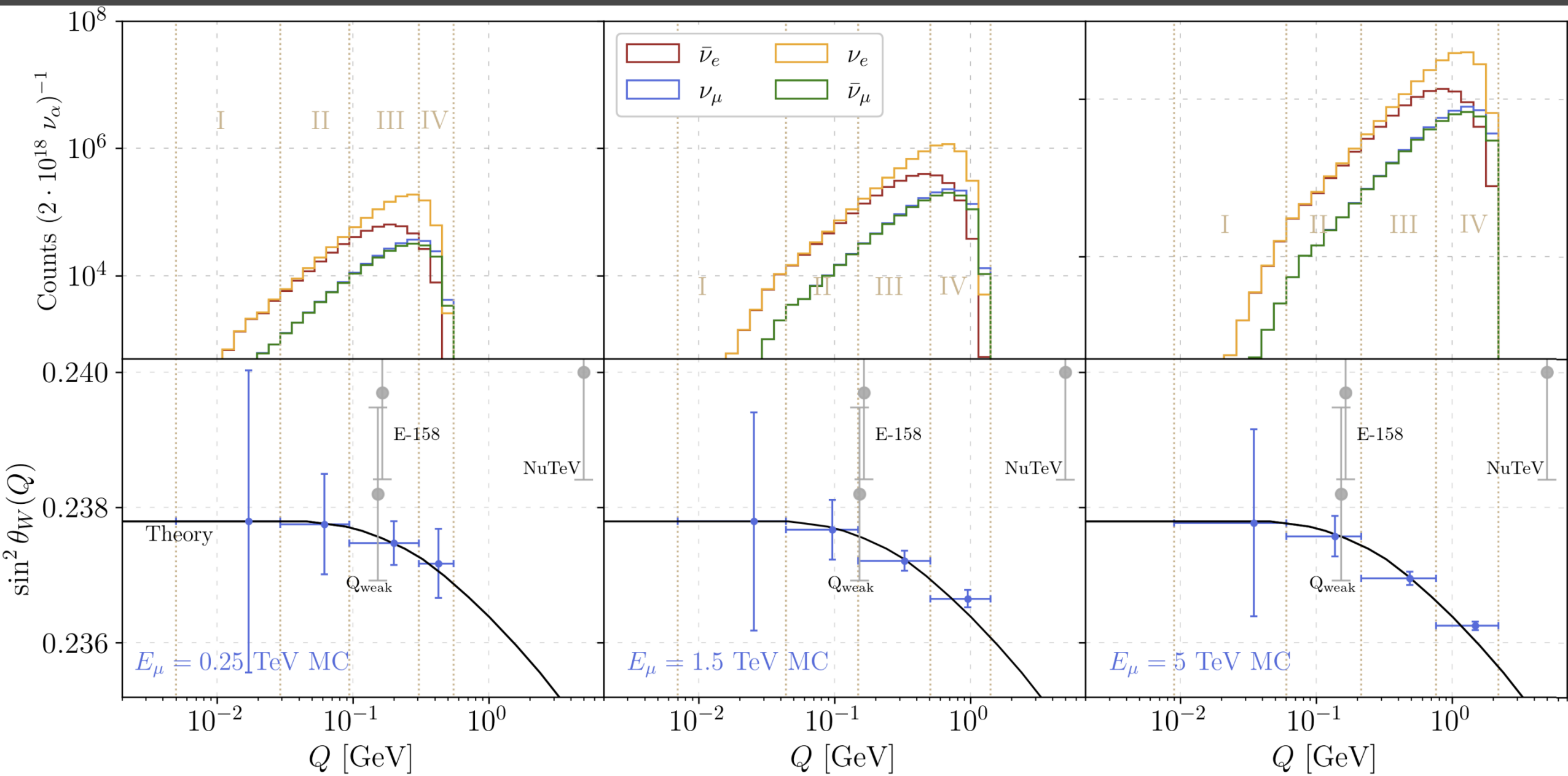
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dT} = \frac{2G_F^2 m}{\pi} \left\{ g_L^2(T) \left[1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} f_-(z) \right] + g_R^2(T) (1-z)^2 \left[1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} f_+(z) \right] - g_R(T) g_L(T) \frac{m}{q} z \left[1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} f_{+-}(z) \right] \right\}$$

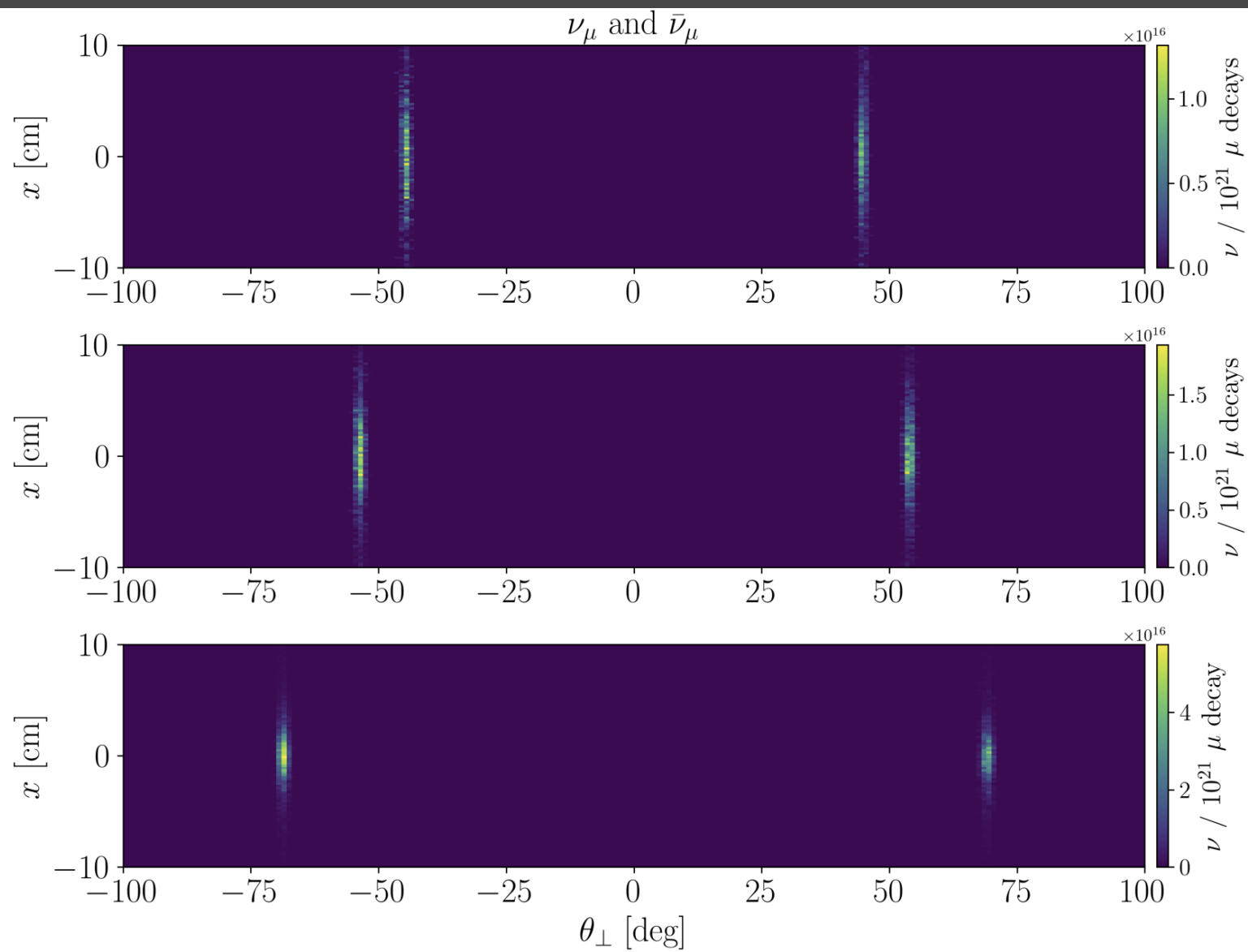
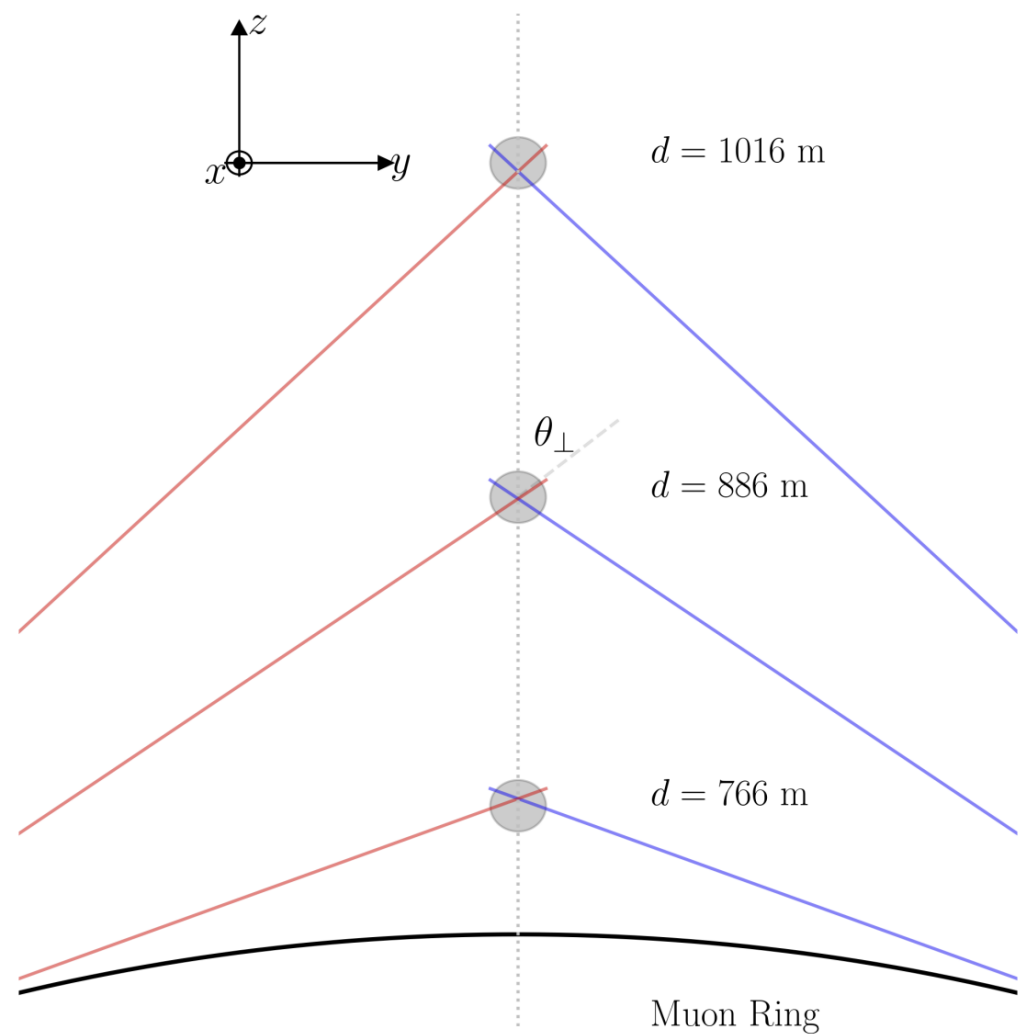
T is the electron recoil energy, z the inelasticity, and q the neutrino energy.

Note the running of Weak parameters.









Utilizing the straight section

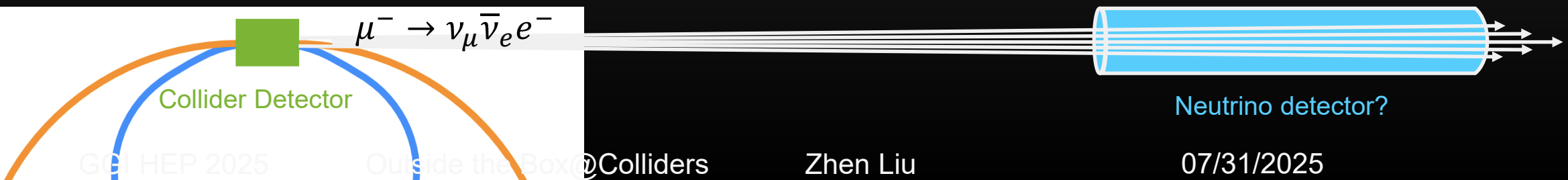
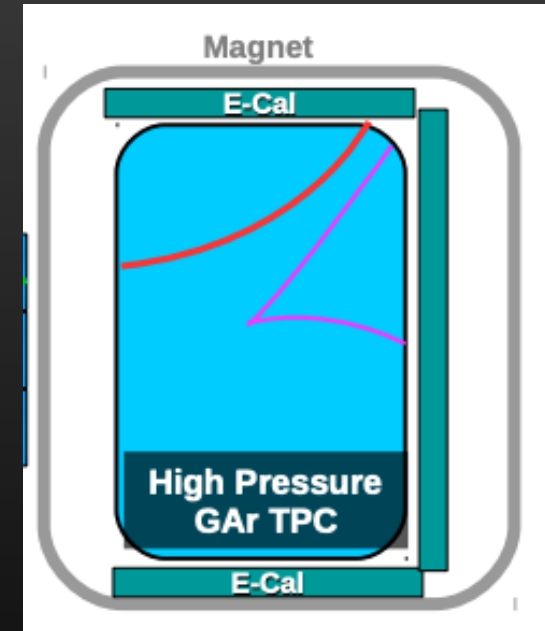
“Forward neutrino facility”

Ultimate $\nu - e$ scattering measurement @ a long, magnetized, and low-density detector:

In the $\mu^- \rightarrow \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_e e^-$ beam, there should be no neutrino-induced backgrounds to $\nu + e^- \rightarrow \nu + e^-$ signal:

- * $\bar{\nu}_e$ CC produces a positron (charge ID in magnet).
- * Coherent $\text{NC}\pi^0$ gammas do not convert in gas.

Extremely clean measurement — magnetize 10 meters of material?

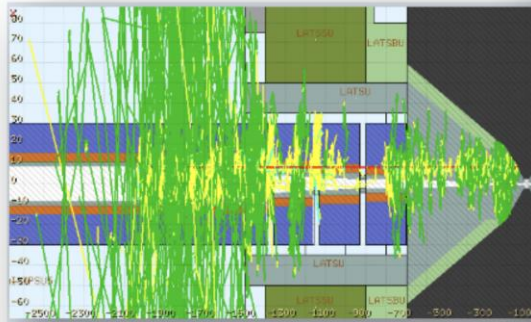


Beam halo losses

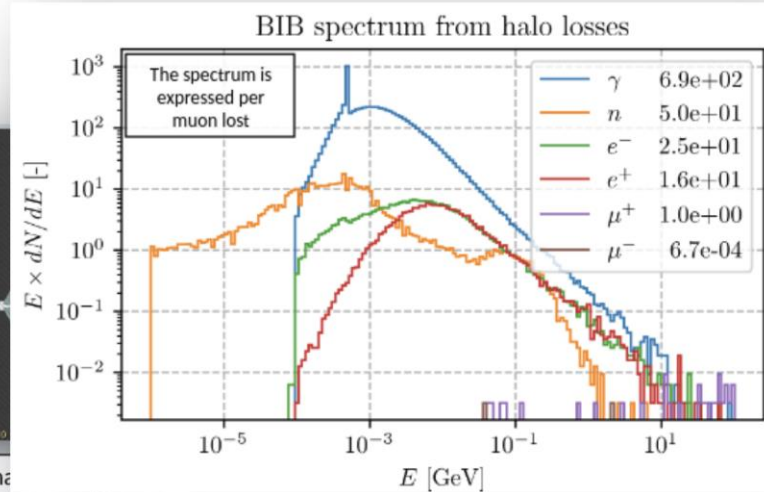
The “muon slice”?

[D. Calzolari, ICHEP 2024](#)

First IMCC halo-induced
background studies for 10 TeV:



Secondary neutrons, photons and electrons (ma
surround the primary muon lost.



[\$\mu+\mu-\$ Collider: Feasibility Study](#) (Snowmass 1996)

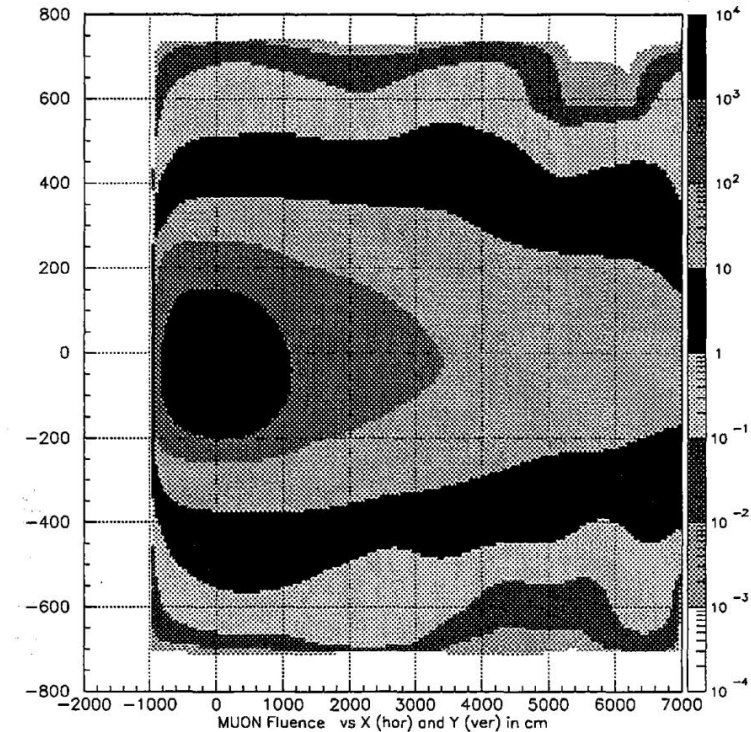


Figure 9.36: Muon flux contours ($\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$) in a vertical plane of the collider tunnel and surrounding soil/rock at the entrance to the interaction region for 2 TeV muon beam decays as calculated with MARS. Beam axis is at $x=y=0$.

New detector ideas

BINs in detector R&D

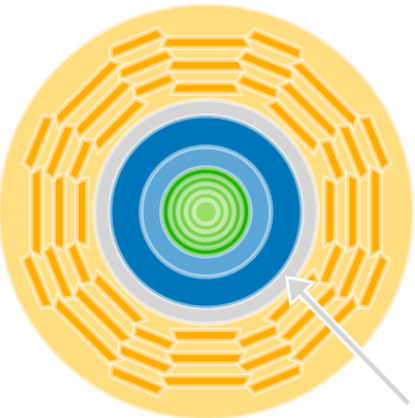
Moving the solenoid inwards is in a sense advantageous for BINs.

The BIB occupancy goes down, so reconstruction of BIN events is probably better

Overview of 10 TeV Detector Concepts

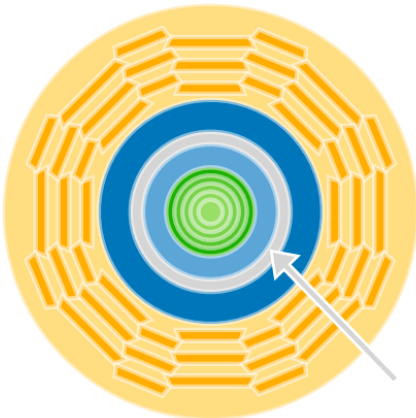
Starting Point: 3 TeV Detector

*Solenoid outside **Calorimeters***



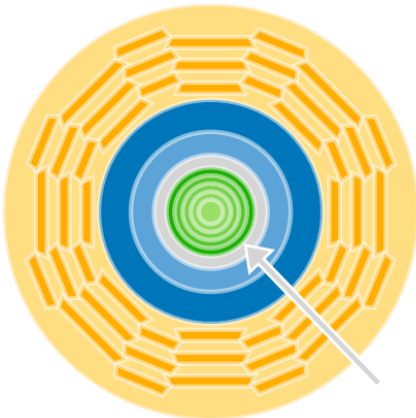
10 TeV MUSIC Detector

*Solenoid between **ECAL** and **HCAL***



10 TeV MAIA Detector

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Nothing is to scale

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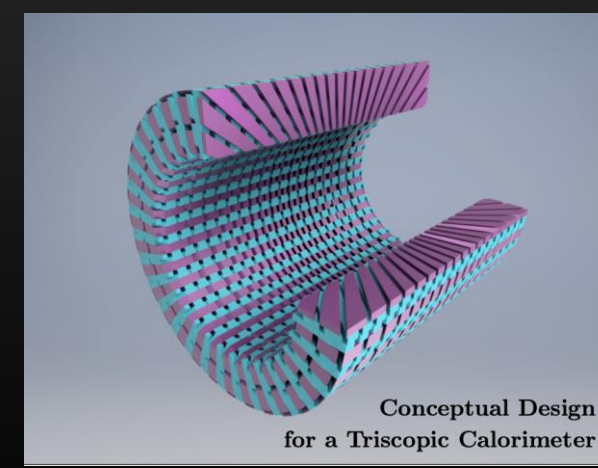
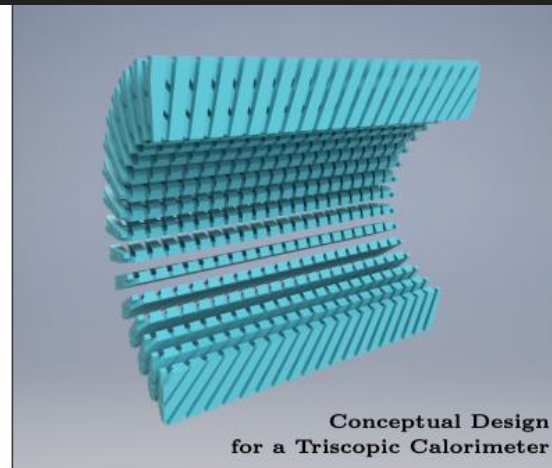
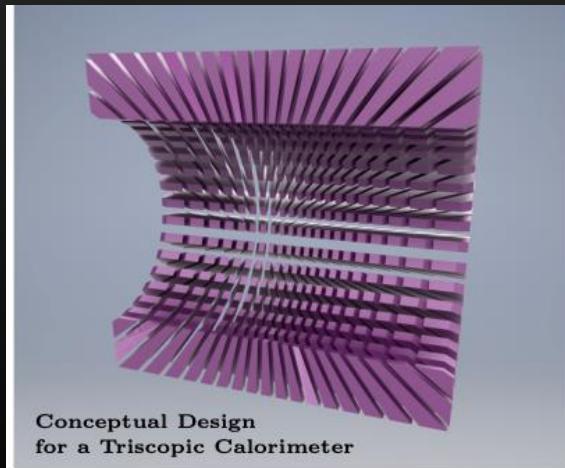
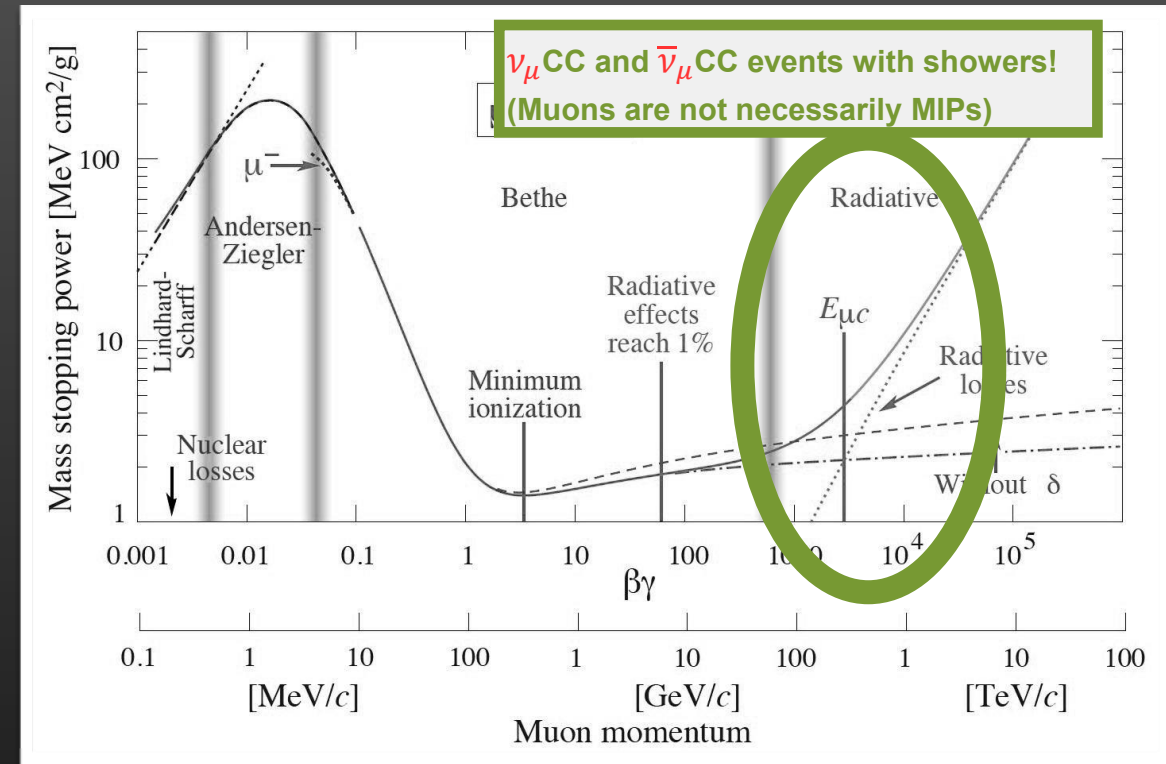
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Reco of BINs in detector R&D

Orientation of cells in calorimeters is also crucial to reconstruct these events.

Many of the muon events will contain significant hadronic and EM shower. Reconstruction work needed.

For example: “Triscopic” calorimeter to improve BIB rejection
(D. Ally, L. Carpenter, T. Holmes, L. Lee, P. Wagenknecht)



Characterizing neutrino events

Toy MC of a muon collider

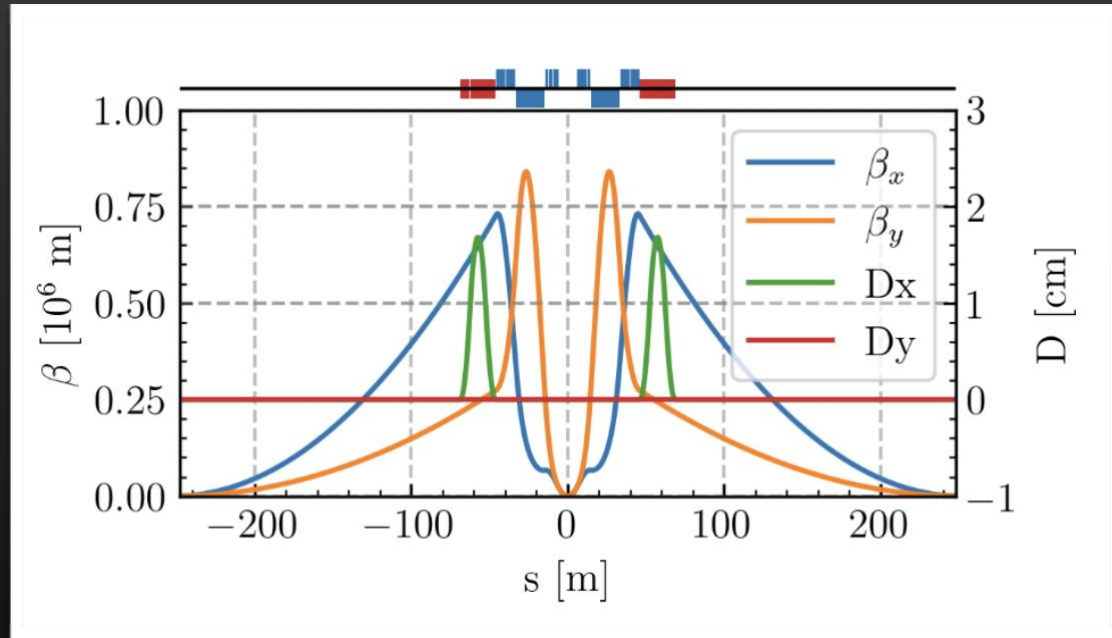
Detector components
following [IMCC studies](#)

Detector Parts	$ Z $ (cm)	R (cm)	Material	N_{targets} ($10^{24}/\text{cm}^{-3}$)
Beampipe	0 – 563.8	0 – 2.2	Vacuum	0
Nozzles 1	6.5 – 230.7	2.2, 2.2 – 31	W	11.63
Nozzles 2	230.7 – 563.8	2.2 – 31, 2.2 – 78.2	W	11.63
ECal (Barrel)	0 – 221	150 – 170.2	0.38W +0.46Cu +0.1Si	6.99
ECal (Endcap)	230.7 – 250.9	31 – 170, 33.9 – 170	0.38W +0.46Cu +0.1Si	6.99
HCal (Barrel)	0 – 221	174 – 333	0.75Fe +0.03Al +0.11PS	3.72
HCal (Endcap 1)	235.4 – 250.9	170 – 324.6	0.75Fe +0.03Al +0.11PS	3.72
HCal (Endcap 2)	250.9 – 412.9	33.9 – 324.6, 56.8 – 324.6	0.75Fe+0.03Al+0.11PS	3.72
Solenoid (Inner)	0 – 412.9	348.3 – 352.3	Fe	4.75
Solenoid (Middle)	0 – 412.9	364.9 – 399.3	Al	1.63
Solenoid (Outer)	0 – 412.9	425 – 429	Fe	4.75
Muon Detector (Barrel)	0 – 417.9	446.1 – 645	Fe	4.75
Muon Detector (Endcap)	417.9 – 563.8	57.5 – 645, 78.2 – 645	Fe	4.75

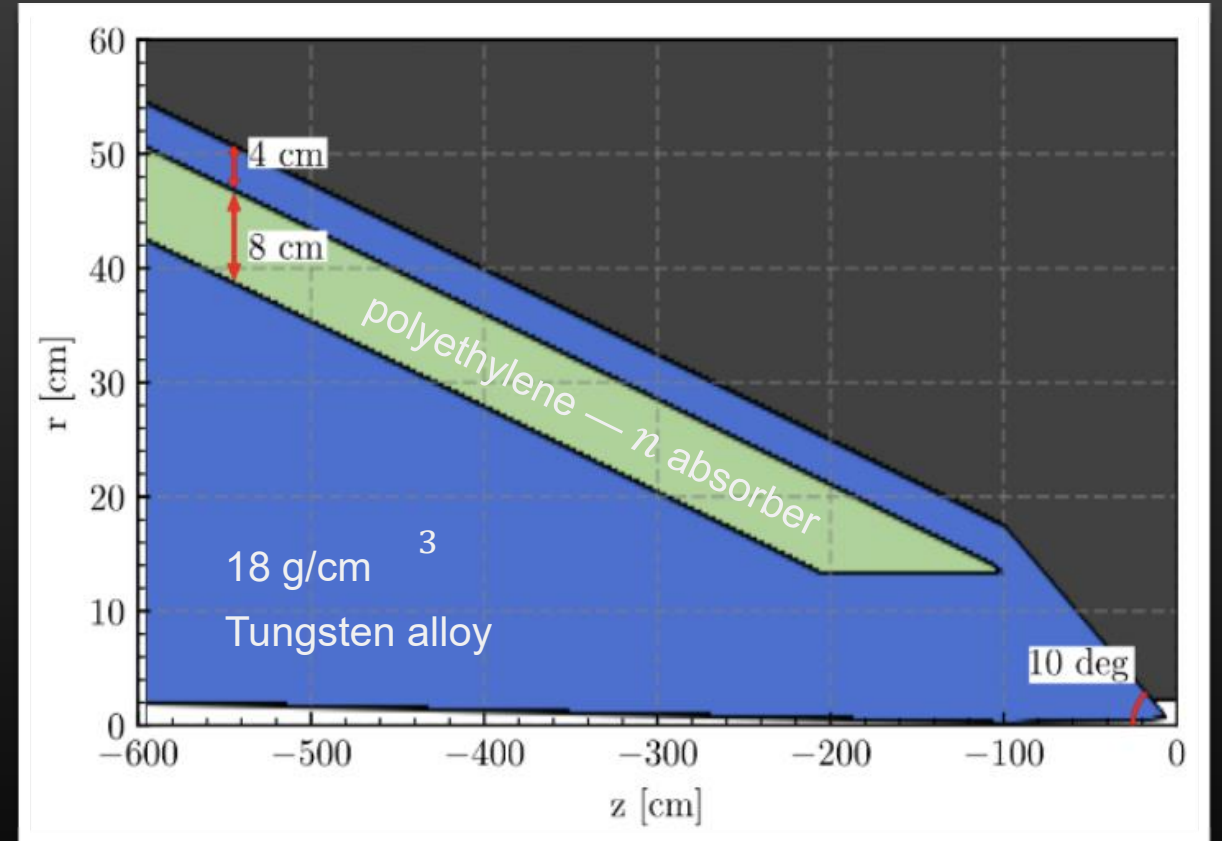
Muon collider

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Twiss parameters around the interaction region



The nozzle around the interaction region

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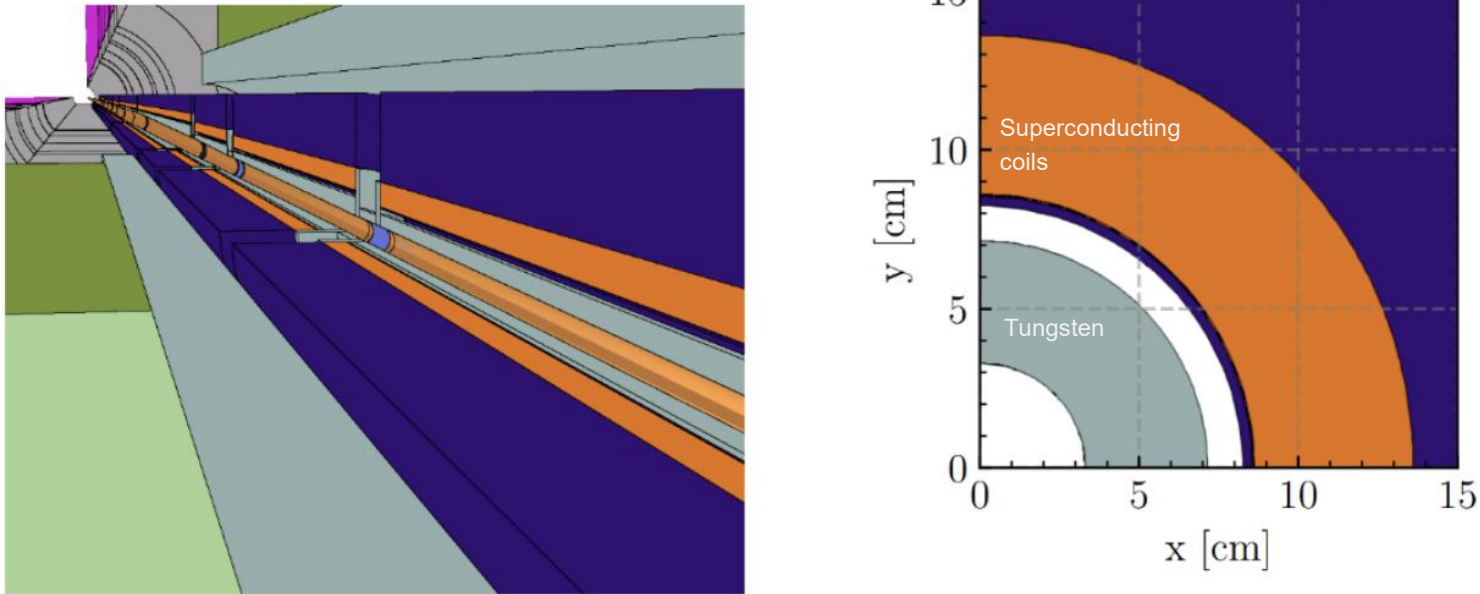


Figure 3 FLUKA beamline geometry (left) and the radial build of quadrupoles (right). The point of view in the left figure is from a muon leaving the interaction region and heading towards the arcs. The main components are the tungsten shielding (grey) and the superconducting coils (orange).

Muon collider

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<https://zenodo.org/records/13970100>

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Luminosity lifetime	Turns	1039	1158
Collider peak field	T	11	16
Repetition rate	Hz	5	
Beam power	MW	5.3	14.4
Longitudinal emittance	eV s	0.025	
IP bunch length	mm	5	1.5

Subsystem	Energy GeV	Length m	Achieved Transm. %	Achieved μ^-/bunch 10^{12}	Target μ^-/bunch 10^{12}
Proton Driver	5 (p^+)	1500	—	500 (p^+)	
Front End	0.17	150	9	45.0	
Charge Sep.	0.17	12	95	42.8	
Rectilinear A	0.14	363	50	21.4	
Bunch Merge	0.12	134	78	16.7	
Rectilinear B	0.14	424	32	5.3	
Final Cooling	0.005	100	60	3.2	
Pre-Acc.	0.25	140	86	2.8	4.0
Low-Energy Acc.	5	—	90*	2.5	
RLA2	62.5	○2430	90	2.3	
RCS1	314	○5990	90	2.1	
RCS2	750	○5990	90	1.9	
RCS3	1500	○10700	90	1.7	
3 TeV Collider	1500	○4500	—	1.7	2.2
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Relativistic Lorentz factor		47322	
Circumference	km	≈ 10	
Dist. of last magnet to IP	m	6	
Repetition rate	Hz	5	
Bunch intensity (one bunch per beam)	10^{12}	1.80	
Injected beam power per beam	MW	7.2	
Normalized transverse rms emittance	μm	25	
Longitudinal norm. rms emittance	eVs	0.025	
Relative rms momentum spread	10^{-3}	0.3	1
RMS bunch length in space	mm	5	1.5
RMS bunch length in time domain	ns	.017	0.005
Twiss betatron function at the IP	mm	5	1.5
Energy loss per turn ²	MeV	≈ 27.2	
Integrated RF gradient ³	MV	30	

BINs as backgrounds?

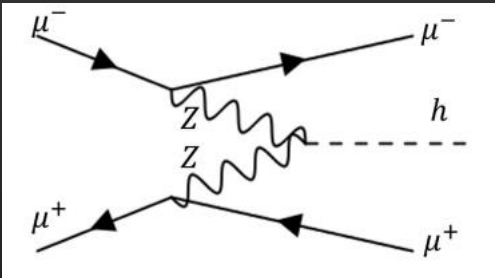
Forward tagging of muons

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P. Li, Z. Liu, and KF Lyu, [arXiv:2401.08756](#)

Proposals to measure the Higgs width with forward muon tagging in ZZ fusion:



With an optimistic luminosity benchmark of $1 \text{ ab}^{-1}/\text{year}$ at the IMCC and $\sigma(\mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- h) = 8.7 \times 10^{-2} \text{ pb}$, we expect about 8.7×10^5 ZZ-fusion Higgses per year

Benchmark	$ \eta(\mu) < 4$	$ \eta(\mu) < 6$	$ \eta(\mu) < 8$
$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$	15%	0.75%	0.74%

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The probability of getting two BINs events in the same bunch crossing in the nozzles is about

$$P(\mu^+\mu^-) = 0.0045$$

For a single BIN rate of $\lambda = 0.1 \text{ BIN/bunch crossing}$.

So, the rate for “double-BIN” events is sizeable, $\gtrsim 10^8$ per year.

But rapidity of halo BINs is too large $\langle |\eta| \rangle \sim 8$.

Not to mention pointing, tracking, and pT cuts.

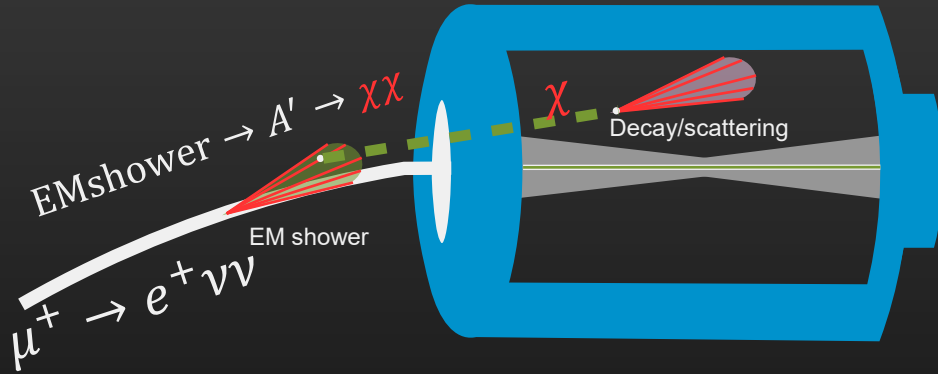
It appears not to be an issue for VBF physics with muon tagging.

More than neutrinos

Beam-induced dark particles (secondary $\mu \rightarrow e \rightarrow X$)

Secondary particle production from $e^\pm/\gamma/n/\mu^\pm$ interactions

(Circular TeV-scale "fixed target" facility)



Electrons/positrons hit the magnets/walls/absorbers.

A MuC is essentially a high energy beam dump experiment.

The EM showers can lead to production of intermediate mass dark particles.

Around $\sqrt{s} \sim (10 - 40)$ GeV CoM energy in $e^\pm A$
 $\rightarrow X e^\pm A$, bremsstrahlung a new X particle for $E_e \sim (0.1 - 1)$ TeV.

Secondary shower can also be initiated by muon beam halo (muon beam dump).

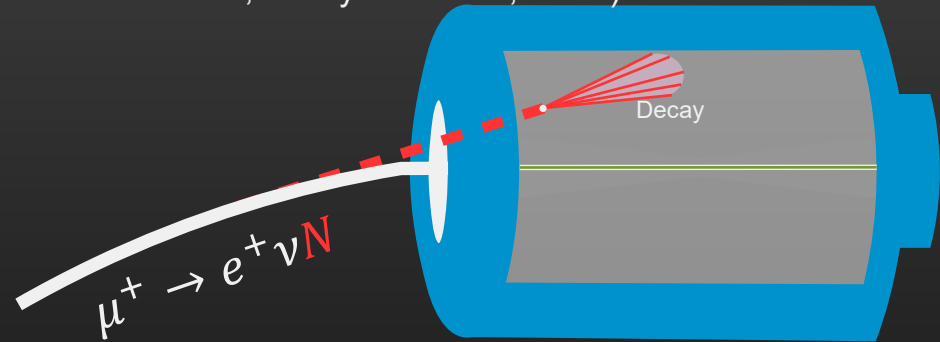
All of this still needs to be quantified for simple benchmarks. Still in discussions...

More than neutrinos

Beam-induced dark particles (primary $\mu \rightarrow X$)

Primary particle production from muon decay

(Neutrinos beam, heavy neutrinos, ALPs)



More useful for short-lived particles
(e.g., dark photons with $\varepsilon \sim 10^{-4}$)

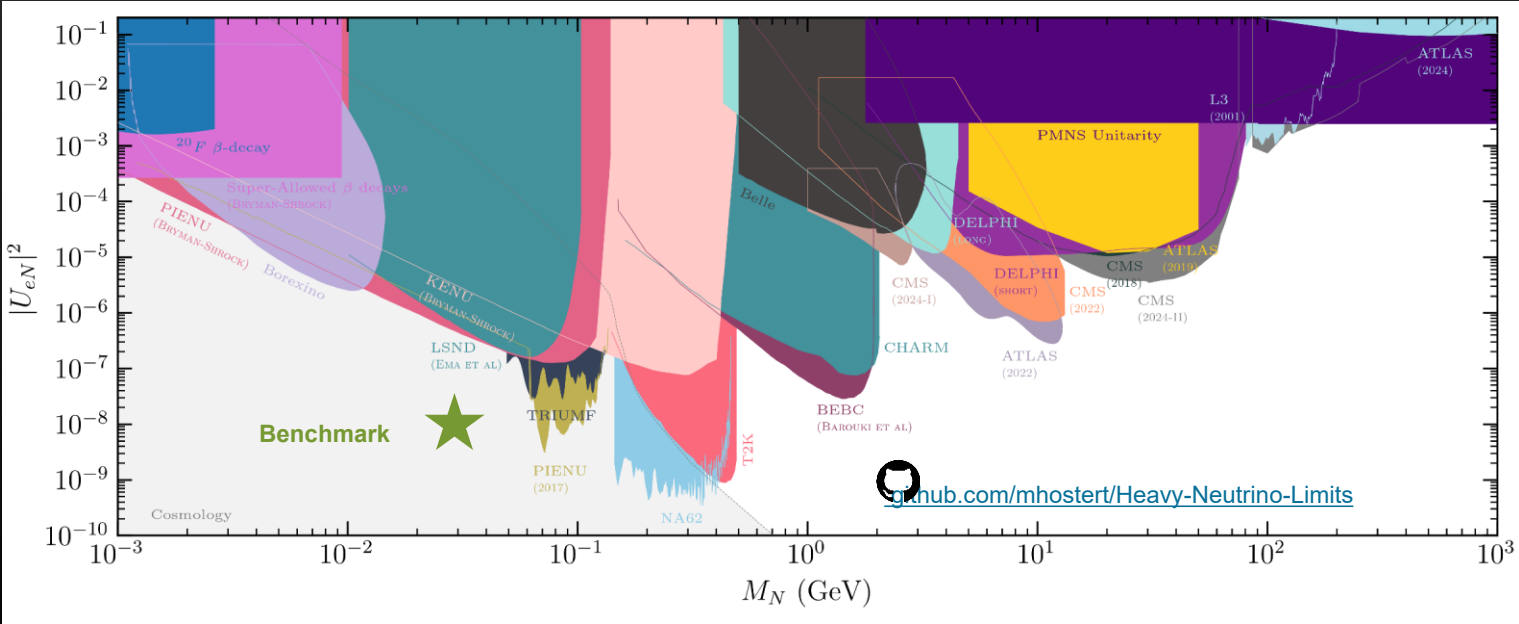
Can also consider forward region.

One can build very long
and empty detectors to maximize P_{dec}

Even though statistics is really good, the boost of the new particles is bad for decay-in-flight signatures. For example:

$$N_{N \rightarrow \nu e^+ e^-} \simeq (\text{geom accep}) \times P_{\text{decay}} \times \mathcal{B}(\mu \rightarrow N \nu e) \simeq 100 \times \left(\frac{|U_{\mu 4}|^2}{10^{-8}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{m_N}{30 \text{ MeV}} \right)$$

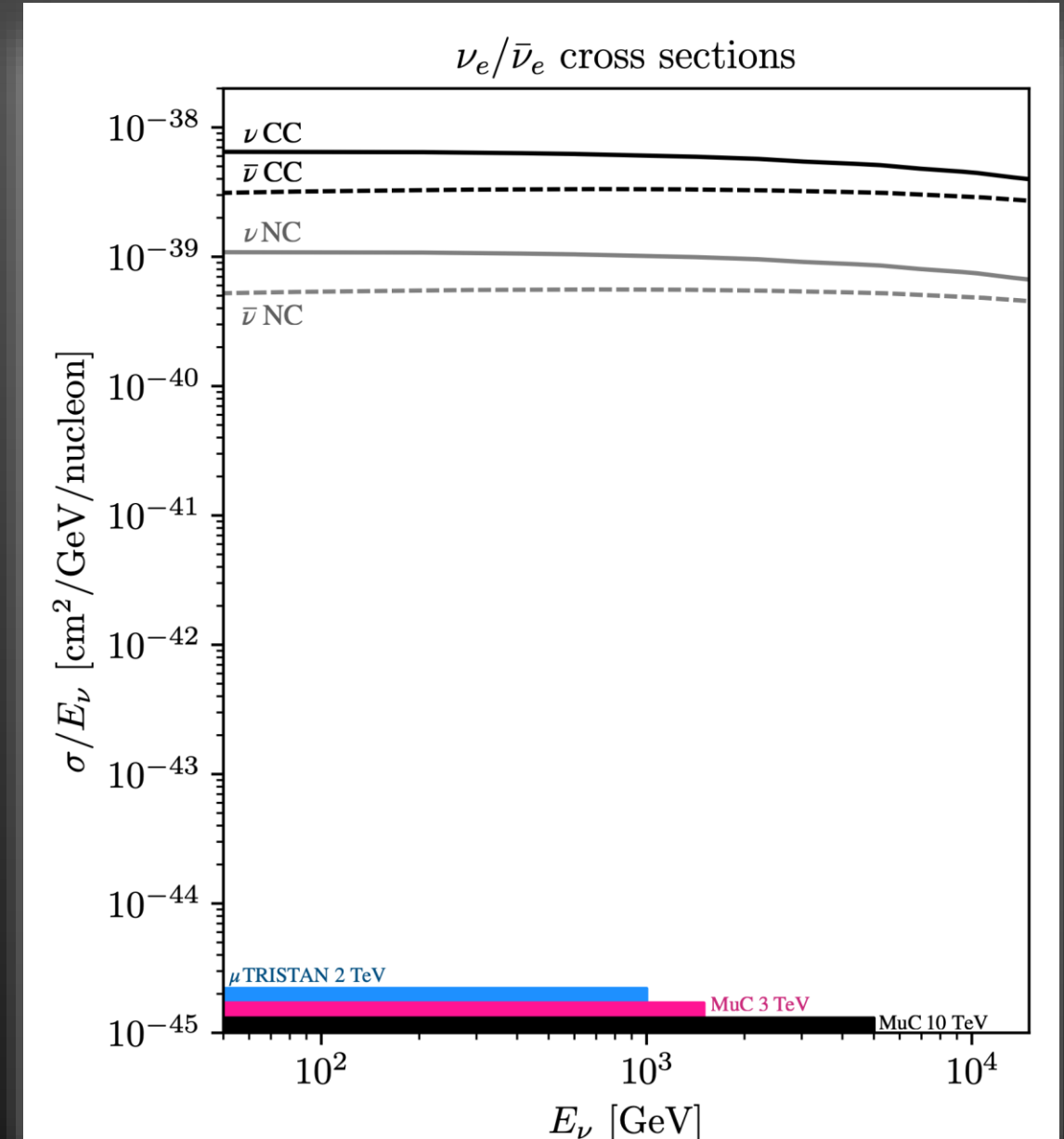
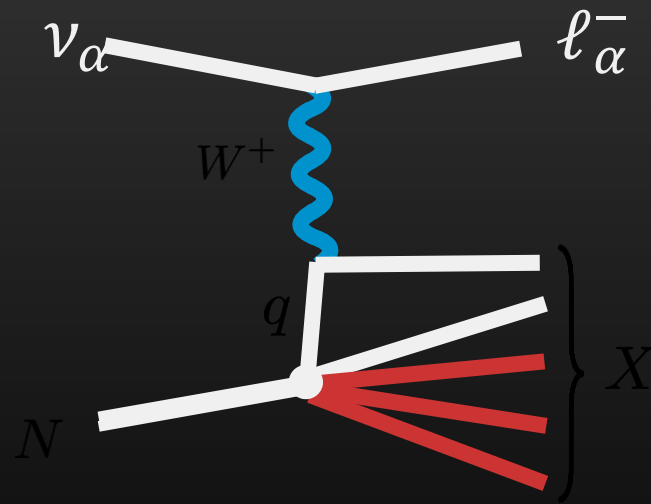
100 signal events may seem like a lot, but recall that $N_\nu \sim 10^{10} - 10^{11}$.



Rare BIN interactions

Leptonic processes

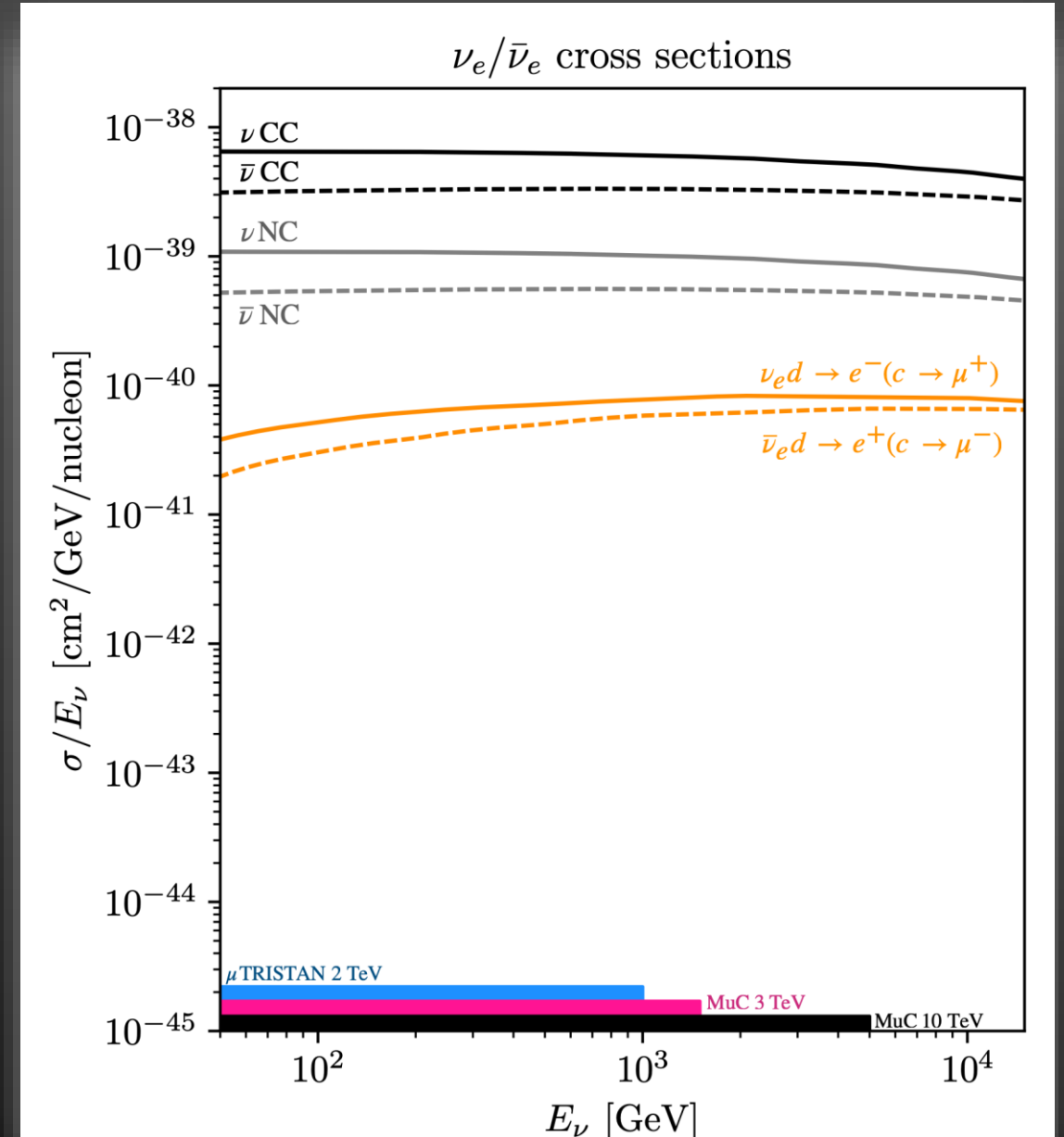
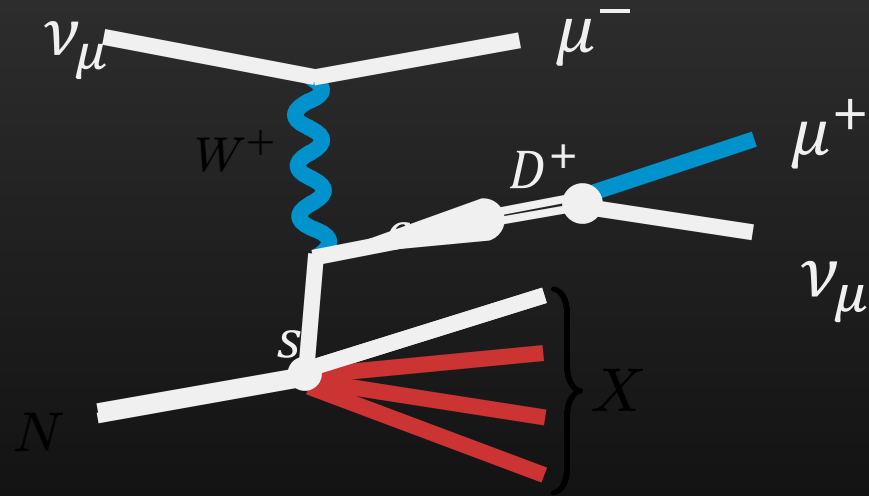
Deep Inelastic Scattering:



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Di-muons from charm production:



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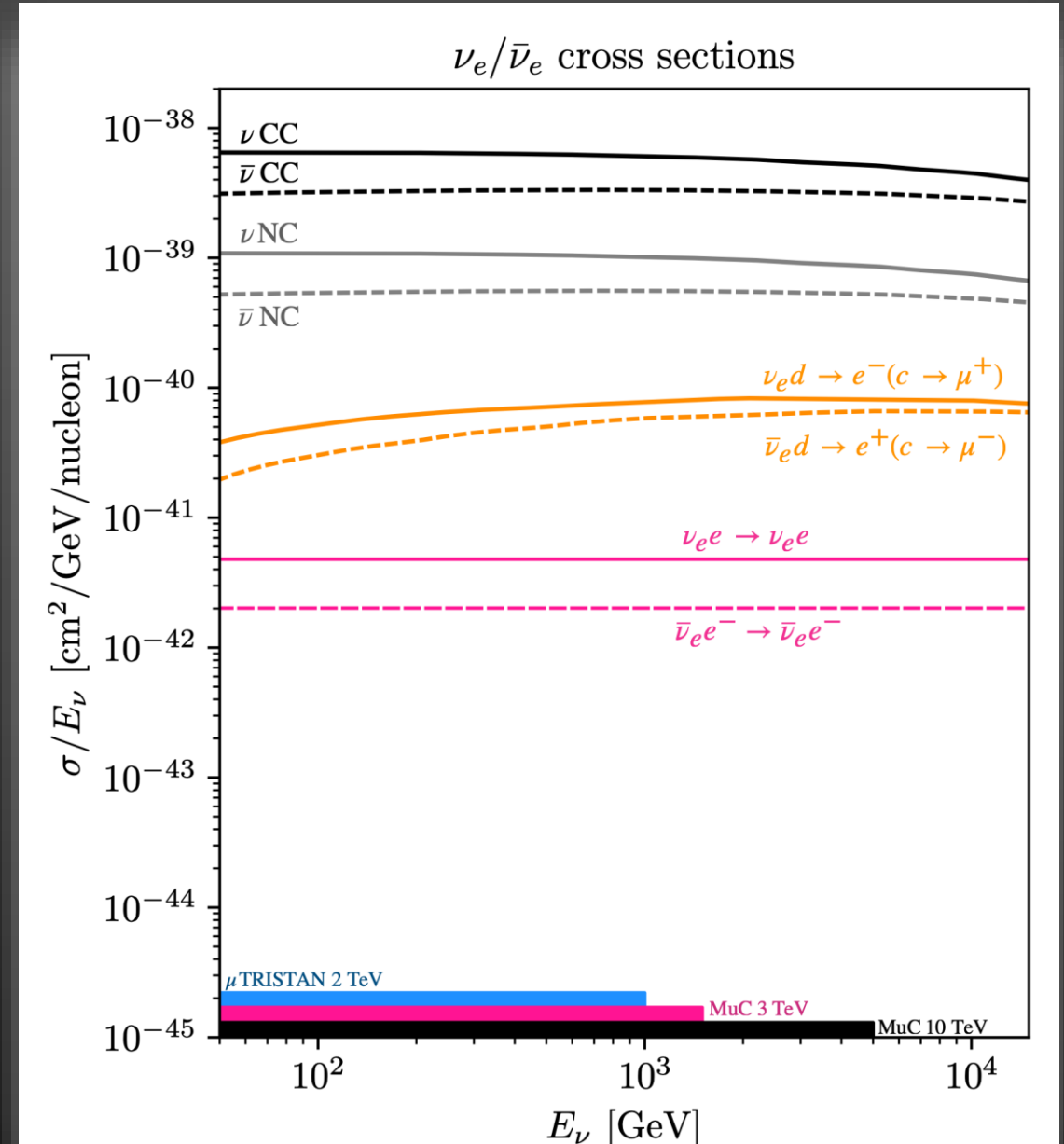
Elastic Neutrino-
Electron
(CC, NC, or NC+CC)



$$\sigma/E_\nu \sim 10^{-41} \text{ cm}^2/\text{GeV}$$

No hadronic activity + extremely forward lepton.

Theoretically clean probe of Weak interactions.



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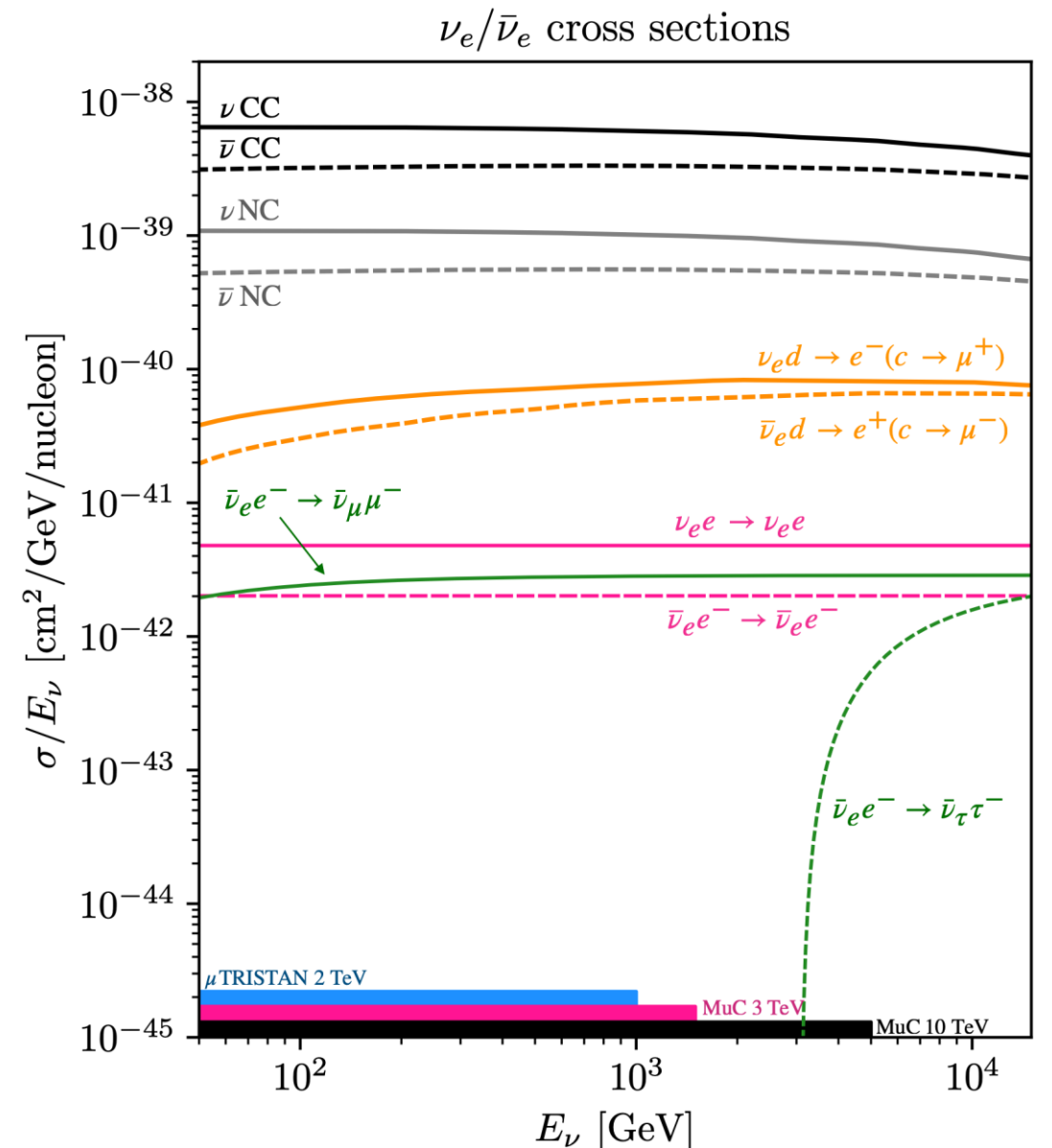
**Inverse muon/tau
decay (always CC)**



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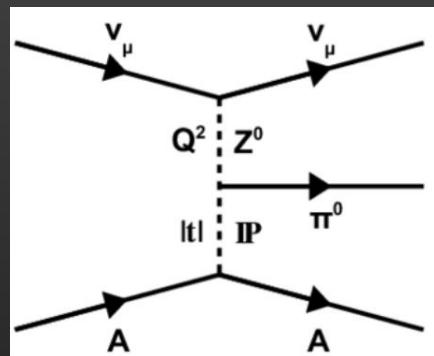
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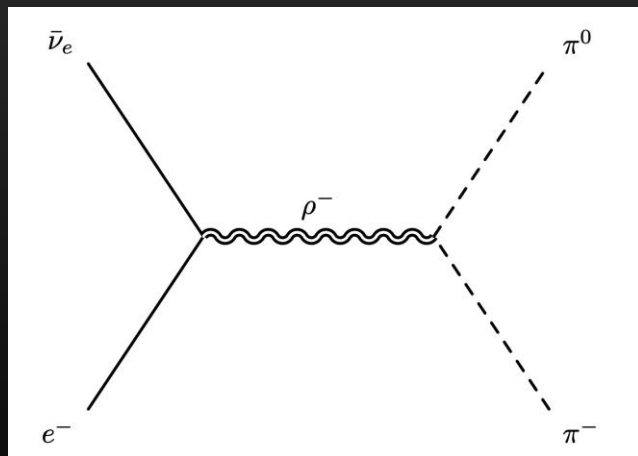
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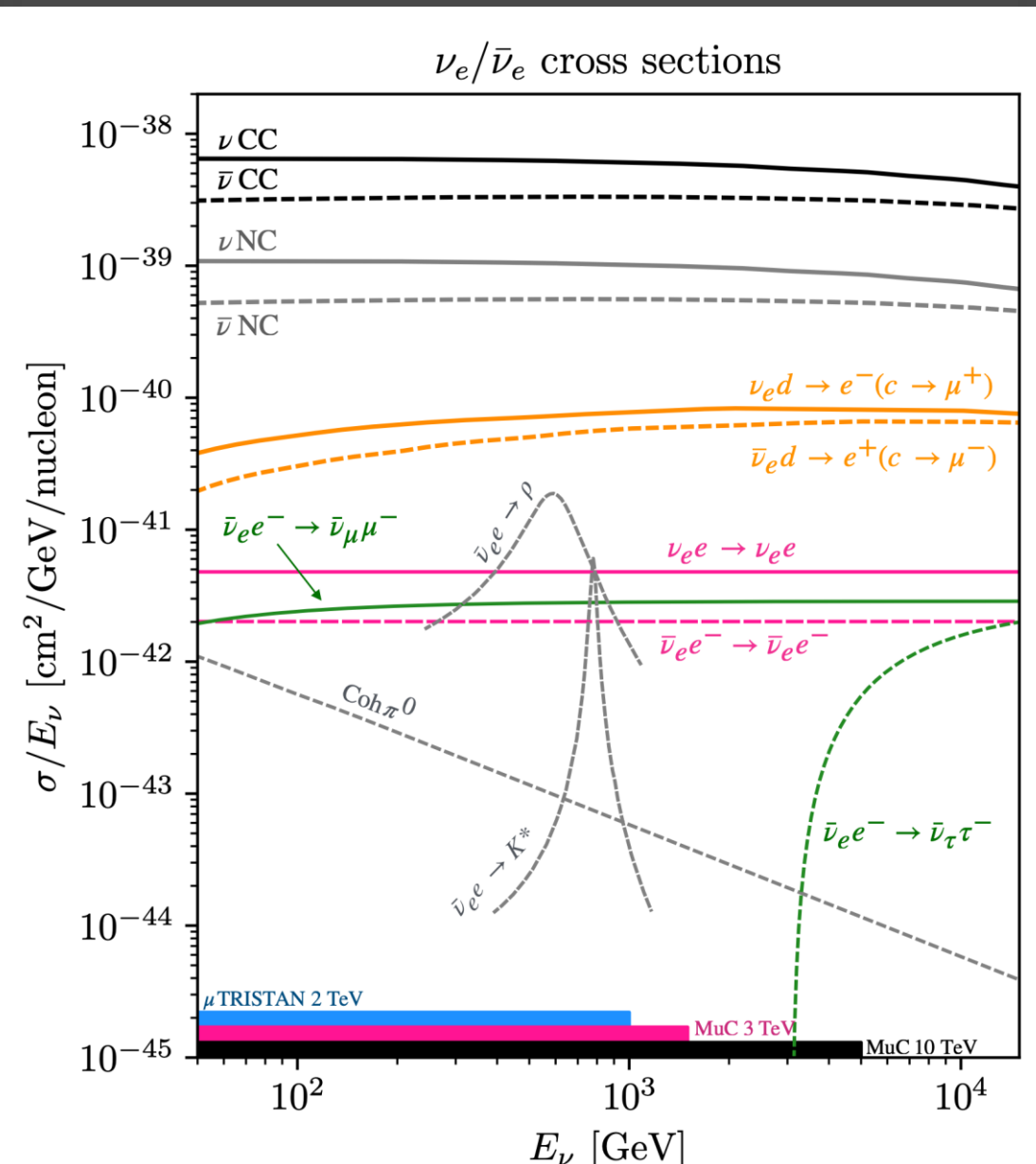
Coherent pion production:



Resonant meson production:



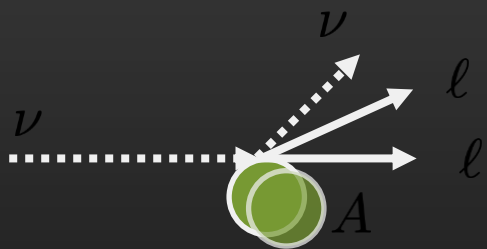
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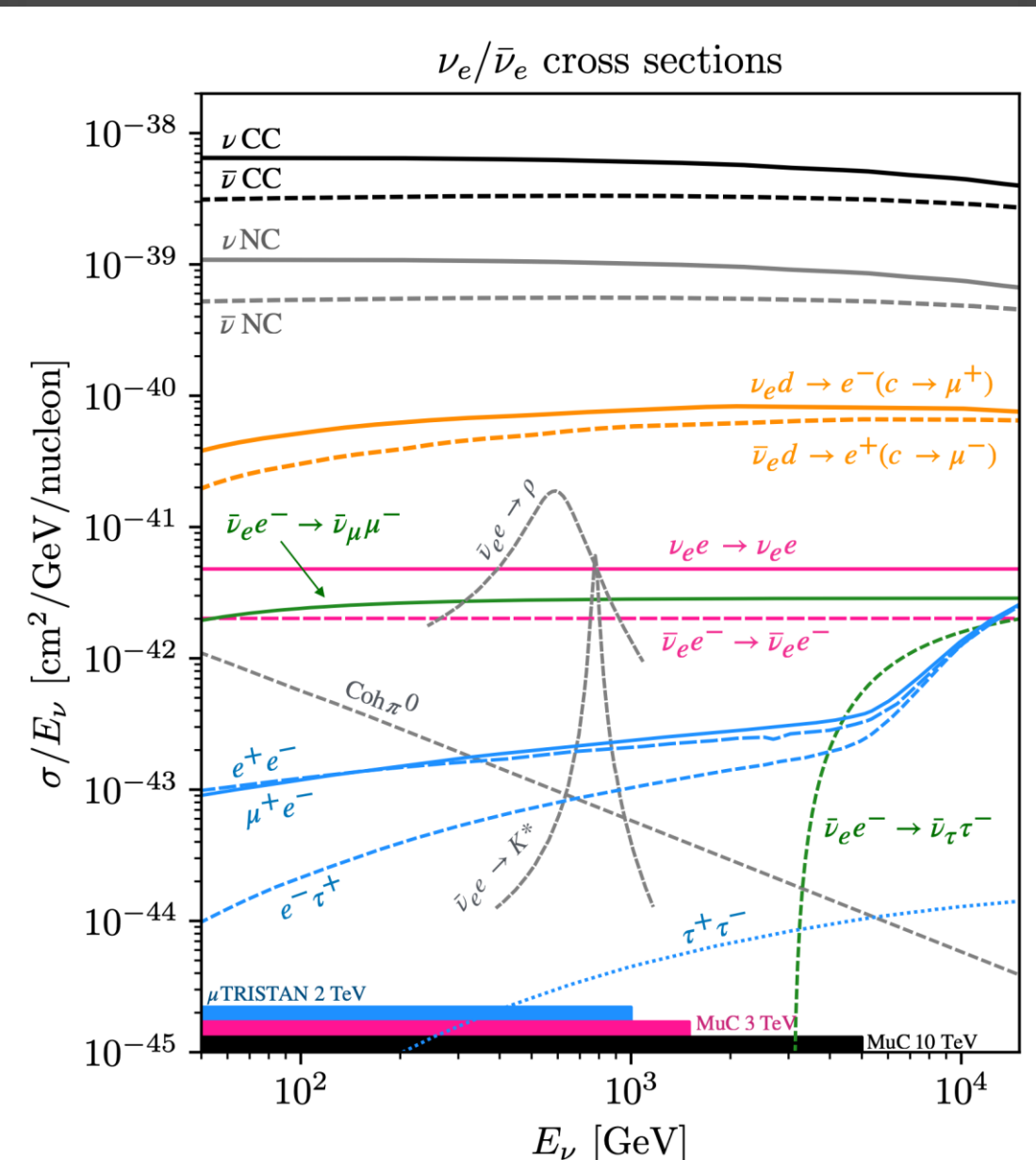
Neutrino trident scattering



$$\sigma/E_\nu \sim 10^{-43} \text{ cm}^2/\text{GeV}$$

Clean, **very rare** process with a rich **flavour structure**.

No hadronic activity for the largest (coherent) piece.



Neutrino collider?

BIN collisions are extremely rare — boils down to the large size of the beam spot — cannot focus neutrinos to better than $\frac{1}{\gamma_\mu}$

“Neutrino beam” size: $\sigma_\nu^2 \sim (1\text{mm})^2 \times \left(\frac{10^4}{\gamma_\mu} \frac{l_\mu}{10\text{m}}\right)^2$ should be compared to $\sigma_\mu^2 \lesssim (1\mu\text{m})^2$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{per bunch}}^{\nu\nu} \sim \frac{N_\nu^2}{4\pi\sigma_\nu^2} f_{\text{rep}} \sim \left(2 \times N_\mu \frac{\ell_\mu}{c\tau_\mu\gamma_\mu}\right)^2 \frac{1}{4\pi} \left(\frac{\ell_\mu}{\gamma_\mu}\right)^{-2} \left(\frac{c\tau_\mu\gamma_\mu}{C_{\text{ring}}} \times f_{\text{inj}}\right) \sim \frac{2 \times 10^{-7}}{\text{barn}} \left(\frac{N_\mu}{2 \times 10^{12}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{10\text{km}}{C_{\text{ring}}}\right) \left(\frac{\gamma_\mu}{10^4}\right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{tot}}^{\nu\nu} \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1) \text{barn}^{-1} \times \left(\frac{f_{\text{rep}}}{5\text{Hz} \times 10^3}\right) \left(\frac{T}{10\text{years}}\right)$$

