

Life at a Multi-TeV Muon Collider

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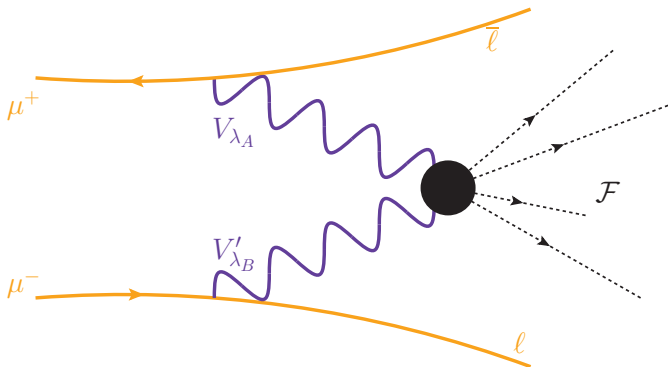


¹w/ A. Costantini, F. Maltoni, O. Mattelaer, et al [[2005.10289](#); [2111.02442](#)];
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Thank you for the invitation!

the big picture

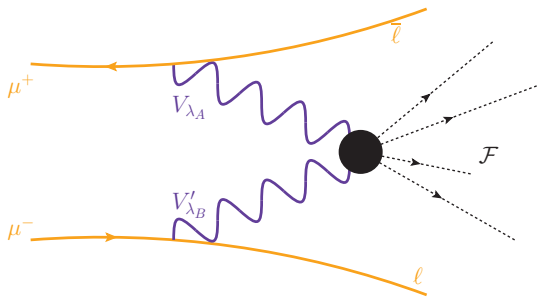
What is life like at a multi-TeV $\mu^+\mu^-$ collider?



Note: for this talk, no substantial difference between e^+e^- and $\mu^+\mu^-$, only collider energy \sqrt{s}

Why is this relevant?

Why?² Situation where scattering formalism is **theoretically interesting**



Partonic collisions at $Q \sim \mathcal{O}(10)$ TeV explore when **electroweak (EW)** symmetry is nearly restored, i.e., $(M_{W/Z/H}^2/Q^2) \rightarrow 0$

See C. Bauer, et al ('16,'17,'18); T. Han, et al ('16,'20,'21); A. Manohar, et al ('14,'18) + others

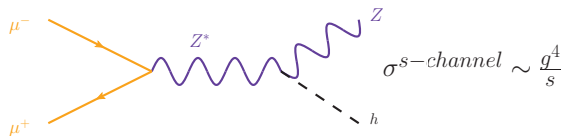
When momentum transfers reach $Q \sim \mathcal{O}(10)$ TeV, vector boson scattering (**VBS/VBF**) **acts a bit... funny**

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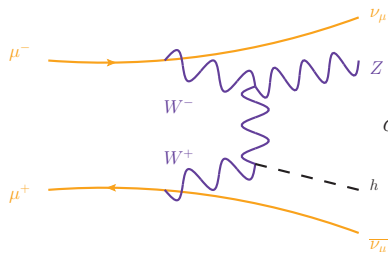
² Many motivations, e.g., Al Ali, et al. [2103.14043]; R&D progress as reported in the European Strategy Update (Delahaye, et al) [1901.06150], muoncollider.web.cern.ch; Snowmass + US activities

so what are $\mu^+\mu^-$ collisions at many-TeV like anyway?

Quick interlude: s-channel annihilation vs VBF/S



$$\sigma^{s\text{-channel}} \sim \frac{g^4}{s}$$



$$\sigma^{VBF} \sim \frac{g^8}{M_{WW}^2} \log^2 \left(\frac{M_{WW}^2}{M_W^2} \right)$$

More legs \implies more propagators $\implies \int dk^2 / (k^2 - M_W^2) \sim \log(\Lambda^2 / M_W^2)$
 Larger $s \implies$ larger $(M_{WW}^2 / M_W^2) \implies$ collinear V compensate for g

Higgs production³

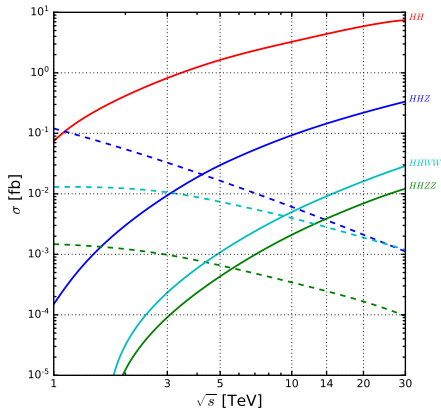
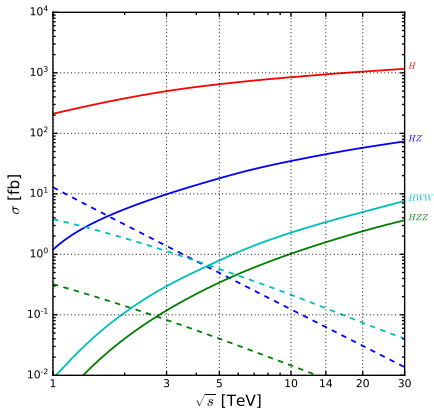
The Standard Model

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Sources: American Association for the Advancement of Science; *The Economist*

³ In the following, we use full matrix elements at leading order with MadGraph5_aMC@NLO (and some diagram selection) 🔍 🔍 🔍

cross sections (σ) vs \sqrt{s} for
 s-channel annihilation (dash) vs VBF (solid)



• Eventually, $\sigma^{VBF} > \sigma^{s\text{-channel}}$ since

▶ $\sigma^{s\text{-channel}} \sim 1/s$

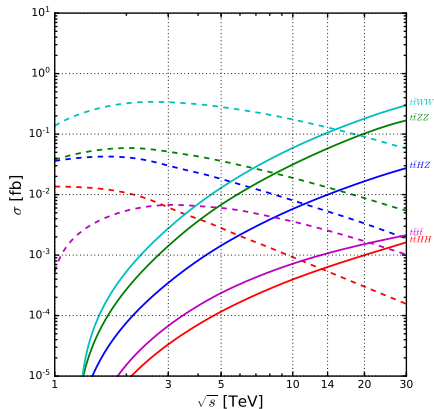
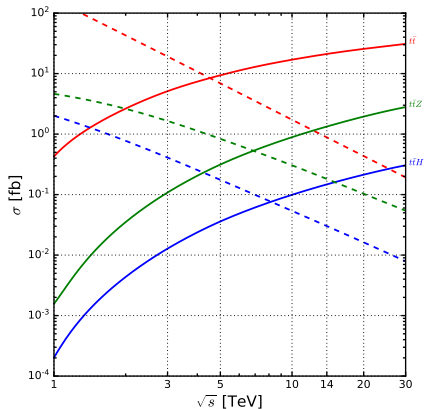
▶ $\sigma^{VBF} \sim \log^2(M_{VV}^2/M_V^2)/M_{VV}^2$ due to forward emission of $V = W/Z$

Top production

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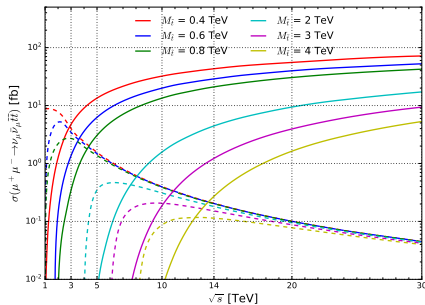
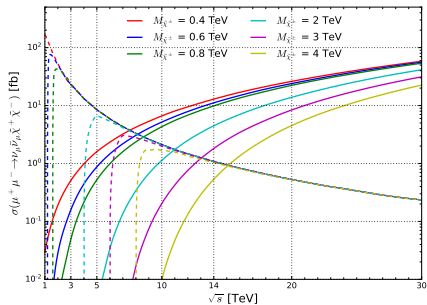


• Do you notice a pattern?

Supersymmetry

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(R) stop pairs

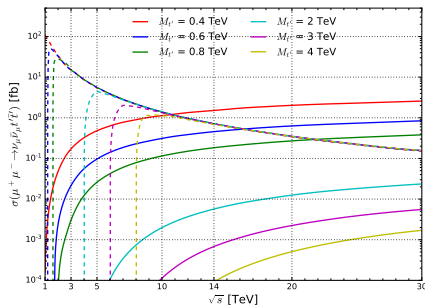
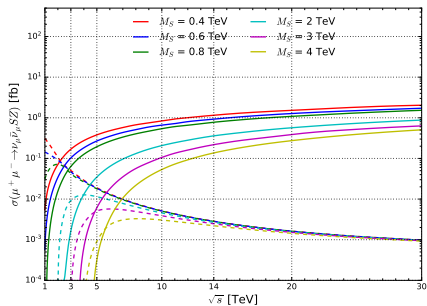


• And now?

Simple Extensions

(L) Singlet + Z production

(R) vector-like top pair production



• ... a little different but a lot of the same

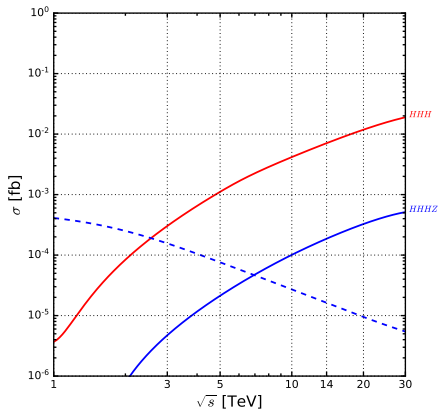
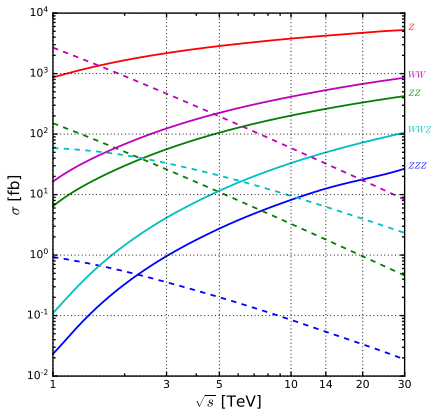
Many-boson production⁴

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⁴ My favorite! I find these processes really neat!



- **VBF is the dominant production vehicle for many processes**

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Observation: $\sigma^{VBF} = \sigma^{s-ch.} \times \int dz_1 dz_2 \dots$ is solvable for $M_{VV'} \gg M_X!$

Universal behavior: when production of X by **VBF** and **annihilation** are driven by same physics, **VBF dominates** when \sqrt{s} satisfies

$$\frac{\sigma^{\text{VBF}}}{\sigma^{s\text{-}ch.}} \sim \mathcal{S} \left(\frac{g_W^2}{4\pi} \right)^2 \left(\frac{s}{M_X^2} \right) \log^2 \frac{s}{M_V^2} \log \frac{s}{M_X^2} > 1$$

Scaling estimate not so bad if $M_X \gg M_V$. Difference is about $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$

mass (M_X) [TeV]	SZ (Singlet)	H_2Z (2HDM)	$t\bar{t}$ (VLQ)	$t\bar{t}$ (MSSM)	$\tilde{\chi}^0\tilde{\chi}^0$ (MSSM)	$\tilde{\chi}^+\tilde{\chi}^-$ (MSSM)	Scaling (Eq. 7.7)
400 GeV	2.1 TeV	2.1 TeV	11 TeV	2.9 TeV	3.2 TeV	7.5 TeV	1.0 (1.7) TeV
600 GeV	2.5 TeV	2.5 TeV	16 TeV	3.8 TeV	3.8 TeV	8.1 TeV	1.3 (2.4) TeV
800 GeV	2.8 TeV	2.8 TeV	22 TeV	4.3 TeV	4.3 TeV	8.5 TeV	1.7 (3.1) TeV
2.0 TeV	4.0 TeV	4.0 TeV	>30 TeV	7.8 TeV	6.9 TeV	11 TeV	3.7 (6.8) TeV
3.0 TeV	4.8 TeV	4.8 TeV	>30 TeV	10 TeV	9.0 TeV	13 TeV	5.3 (9.8) TeV
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Table 9. For representative processes and inputs, the required muon collider energy \sqrt{s} [TeV] at which the VBF production cross section surpasses the s -channel, annihilation cross section, as shown in figure 17. Also shown are the cross over energies as estimated from the scaling relationship in equation (7.7) assuming a mass scale M_X ($2M_X$).

When $(M_{W/Z/H}^2/M_{VV}^2) \rightarrow 0$, qualitatively new behavior emerges:

VBF/S becomes the dominant scattering mechanism of EW states

However, in practice, numerical computations of VBF/S are difficult:

- Final states with **many legs and diagrams**
- Larger \sqrt{s} exacerbates **large gauge cancellations**
- onset of **large soft and collinear logarithms**, e.g.,


$$d\mathcal{P}(\mu \rightarrow W\nu \text{ splitting}) \propto \underbrace{\frac{g_W^2}{(4\pi)^2}}_{\approx 2.5 \cdot 10^{-3}} \times \underbrace{\log^2(M_{WW}^2/M_W^2)}_{\approx 350-500 \text{ for } M_{WW}=1-5 \text{ TeV}} \approx 0.9 - 1.3$$



per leg

Historically, **one approach** to studying the **EW theory at high energies** is to treat it like **massless QCD**:

- Electroweak boson PDFs (← rich literature!)
- + EW DGLAP evolution (lots of recent progress →)
- Electroweak parton showers (← more recent progress)
- Electroweak Sudakov resummation (← just super cool!)
- ...



	$\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \frac{1}{k_T^2} \left(\frac{1+z^2}{z} \right)$	$\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \frac{1}{k_T^2} \left(\frac{z}{2} \right)$
\rightarrow	$V_T f_s^{(l)}$	$[BW]_T^0 f_s$
$f_{s=L,R}$	$g_V^2 (Q_{f_s}^V)^2$	$g_1 g_2 Y_{f_s} T_{f_s}^3$
		$H^{0(*)} f_{s}$ or $\phi^\pm f'_{s}$
		$y_{f_R}^2$

[Han, et al ('16)]

Historically, success of **this approach** unclear since computations were difficult to produce and prescriptions varied

This is not necessarily the case today due to modern technology

The Effective W/Z Approximation (EWA)⁵

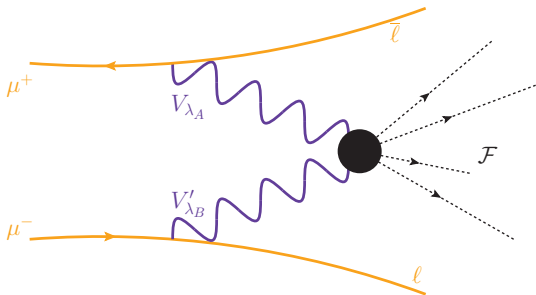
a.k.a. weak boson parton distribution functions

⁵Dawson('84); Kane, et al ('84); Kunszt and Soper ('88)

Idea: Treat W/Z in (VV') -scattering as partons when $M_{VV'} \gg M_W, M_Z$,

- PDFs for $\mu \rightarrow V_T$ splitting identical to **gluons in QCD**
- PDFs for $\mu \rightarrow V_0$ splitting is “novel” complication (“power-suppressed” PDF)
- To derive PDFs, one expands $\mu \rightarrow V_\lambda$ matrix elements in powers of

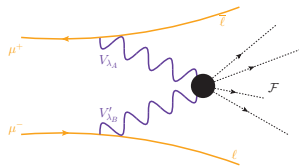
$$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{p_T^2}{M_{VV}^2}\right) \text{ for } V_T \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{p_T^2}{M_{VV}^2}\right) \text{ and } \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{M_V^2}{M_{VV}^2}\right) \text{ for } V_0$$



Expert note: these power-law corrections are universal and quasi-universal!

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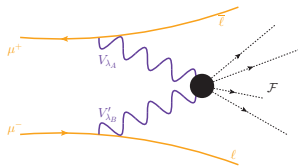
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$$\times \left[\underbrace{f_{V_{\lambda_A}/\mu^+}(\xi_1, \mu_f) f_{V'_{\lambda_B}/\mu^-}(\xi_2, \mu_f)}_{W_{\lambda^+}/W_{\lambda^-}/Z_{\lambda}/\gamma_{\lambda} \text{ PDFs at LO}} \right]$$

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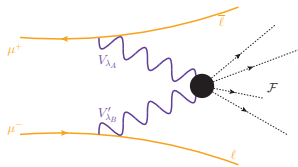
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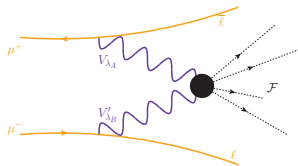
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← (due to working with LO/Bare PDFs; μ_f is only a UV regulator here)



We studied the **red** terms

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**Now suppose someone implemented this framework
into an event generator...**

(this is the brief interlude about "new technology")

MadGraph5_aMC@NLO (mg5amc) in a nutshell

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- Merger with MC@NLO for **NLO in QCD** [[1405.0301](#)] and **NLO in EW** [[1804.10017](#)]

... what exactly did we do?⁶

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Implementing EW boson PDFs in MadGraph5

- **NEW: (Polarized) Effective Vector Boson Approx. (EVA)**
 - ▶ Bare (LO) PDFs for helicity-polarized $W_\lambda, Z_\lambda, \gamma_\lambda$ from ℓ_λ^\pm
 - ▶ Automatically support PDFs for unpolarized W/Z (**EWA**) from ℓ_λ^\pm
- **KEPT: Improved Weizsäcker-Williams approximation (iWWA)**
 - ▶ Unpolarized γ PDF + power corrections from ℓ^\pm (Frixione, et al [[hep-ph/9310350](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9310350)])
- **Technicalities:**
 - ▶ M_W, M_Z always nonzero in PDFs and matrix elements!
 - ▶ static and dynamic μ_f
 - ▶ n -point μ_f variation
 - ▶ Choice of p_T and q as evolution variable (this gives extra $\log(1 - \xi)$ terms in PDFs!)
 - ▶ Also enabled **EVA+DIS** collider configuration
- **Technical appendix** rederiving W_λ, Z_λ PDFs to provide standard reference and mapping between different approaches in the literature
 - ▶ Publicly released in v3.3.0 (Major milestone for lepton colliders; see Frixione, et al [[2108.10261](https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.10261)])

PDFs for $e^\pm, \mu^\pm \rightarrow W_\lambda/Z_\lambda/\gamma_\lambda + \ell$ depend on helicities (λ)

- Subtle but important differences if evolving by q^2 of V vs p_T^2 of ℓ

(this can account for some differences between groups!)

$$f_{V_+/f_L}(z, \mu_f^2) = \frac{g_V^2}{4\pi^2} \frac{g_L^2(1-z)^2}{2z} \log \left[\frac{\mu_f^2}{M_V^2} \right],$$

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59 c /* *****
60 c EVA (1/6) for f L > v +
61 double precision function eva_fl_to_vp(gg2,gL2,mv2,x,mu2,iervo)
62 implicit none
63 integer iervo ! evolution by q2 or pT2
64 double precision gg2,gL2,mv2,x,mu2
65 double precision coup2,split,xxlog,fourPi5q
66 data fourPi5q/39.47841760435743d0/ ! = 4pi**2
67
68 c print*, 'gg2,gL2,mv2,x,mu2,iervo', gg2, i3,gL2,mv2,x,mu2,iervo
69 coup2 = gg2*gL2/fourPi5q
70 split = (1.d0-x)**2 / 2.d0 / x
71 if(iervo.eq.0) then
72 | xxlog = dlog(mu2/mv2)
73 else
74 | xxlog = dlog(mu2/mv2/(1.d0-x))
75 endif
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77 eva_fl_to_vp = coup2*split*xxlog
78 return
79 end
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Implementing all this was a multi-year, multi-step process:

- 1 **Automating** matrix elements and cross sections for external partons with fixed helicities D. Buarque Franzosi, O. Mattelaer, RR, S. Shil [[1912.01725](#)]
 - ▶ Essentially enable $A_\lambda + B_{\lambda_B} \rightarrow C_{\lambda_C} + D_{\lambda_D} + \dots$ (λ_k =helicity)
 - ▶ Theoretically easy (after reorganizing Collinear Fact. Thm and defining polarized PDF/parton shower)
 - ▶ Dev. tricky since Lorentz invariance is lost (a ref. frame must be specified)
- 2 **Improving** dPS integration routine (sde2) for t -channel mom. K. Ostrolenk and O. Mattelaer [[2102.00773](#)]
- 3 **Adding** support for of EVA RR, A. Costantini, F. Maltoni, O. Mattelaer [[2111.02442](#)]

some results on $V_\lambda V'_{\lambda'} \rightarrow X$ in $\mu^+ \mu^-$ collisions

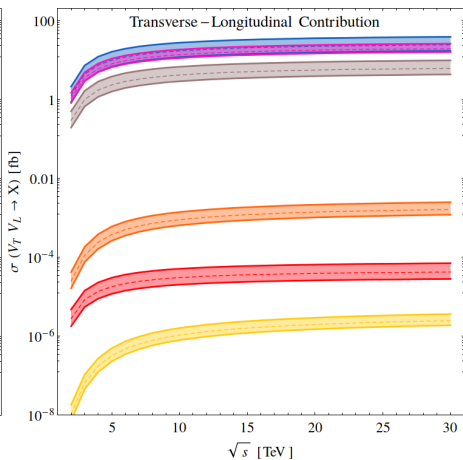
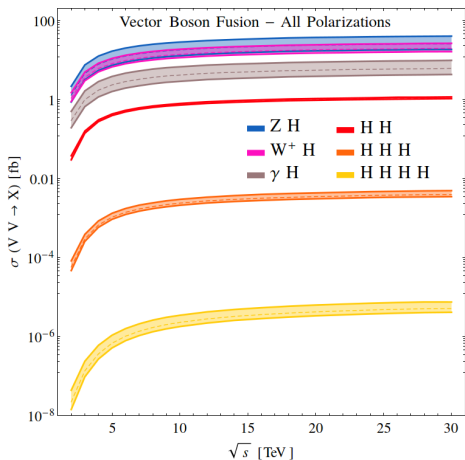
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Higgs production in EVA

We then had fun looking into **many** processes

$$(L) \sum_{\lambda_A, \lambda_B} V_{\lambda_A} V_{\lambda_B} \rightarrow HX$$

$$(R) V_T V_0 \rightarrow HX$$

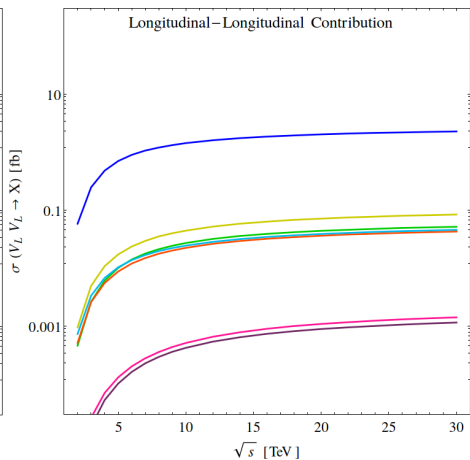
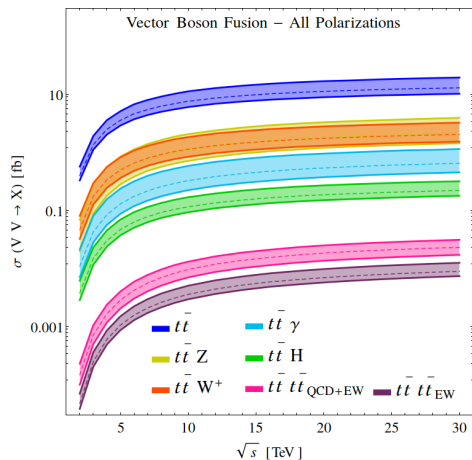


Tops in EVA

... *many* processes

$$(L) \sum_{\lambda_A, \lambda_B} V_{\lambda_A} V_{\lambda_B} \rightarrow t\bar{t}X$$

$$(R) V_0 V_0 \rightarrow t\bar{t}X$$

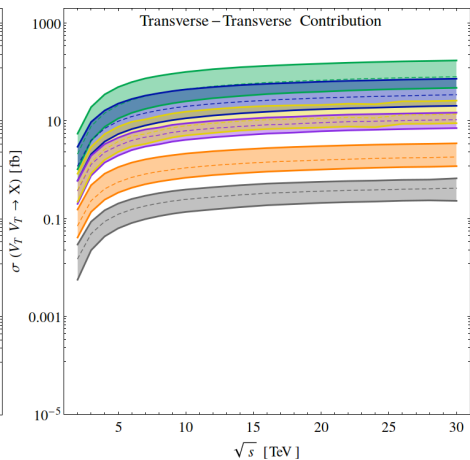
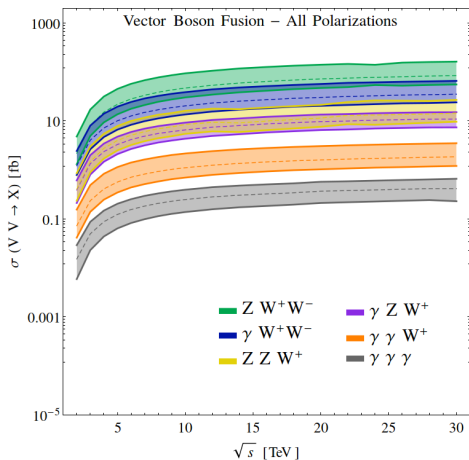


Triboson in EVA



$$(L) \sum_{\lambda_A, \lambda_B} V_{\lambda_A} V_{\lambda_B} \rightarrow 3V$$

$$(R) V_T V_T \rightarrow 3V$$



Diboson in EVA

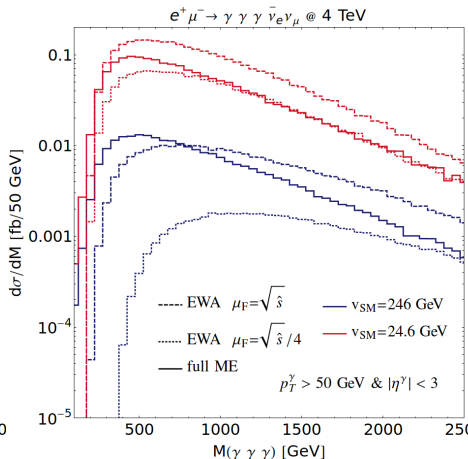
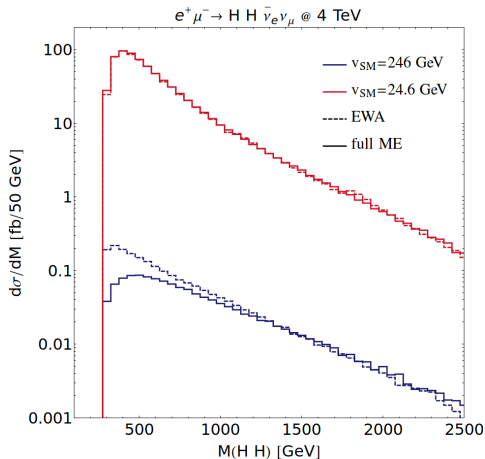
(4 polarization plots + 1 table) × each class of processes

	mg5amc syntax	σ [fb]			
		$\sqrt{s} = 3$ TeV	$\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV	$\sqrt{s} = 30$ TeV	
$\sum V_{\lambda A} V'_{\lambda B} \rightarrow W^+ W^-$	vp vm > w+ w-	$2.2 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+98%} _{-35%}	$7.0 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+91%} _{-33%}	$8.6 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+88%} _{-32%}	
$V_T V'_T \rightarrow W^+ W^-$	vp{T} vm{T} > w+ w-	$2.0 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+99%} _{-35%}	$6.6 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+93%} _{-34%}	$8.0 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+92%} _{-33%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow W^+ W^-$	vp{0} vm{T} > w+ w-	$1.2 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+54%} _{-27%}	$4.4 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+50%} _{-25%}	$5.2 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+49%} _{-24%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow W^+ W^-$	vp{0} vm{0} > w+ w-	$4.2 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.7 \cdot 10^0$	$2.0 \cdot 10^0$	
$\sum V_{\lambda A} V'_{\lambda B} \rightarrow W^+ Z$	vp vm > w+ z	$5.3 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+105%} _{-40%}	$1.8 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+97%} _{-37%}	$2.2 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+95%} _{-37%}	
$V_T V'_T \rightarrow W^+ Z$	vp{T} vm{T} > w+ z	$5.0 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+111%} _{-42%}	$1.6 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+103%} _{-39%}	$2.0 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+100%} _{-38%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow W^+ Z$	vp{0} vm{T} > w+ z	$3.4 \cdot 10^0$ ^{+36%} _{-18%}	$1.4 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+34%} _{-17%}	$1.7 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+34%} _{-17%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow W^+ Z$	vp{0} vm{0} > w+ z	$3.9 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.1 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$2.6 \cdot 10^{-1}$	
$\sum V_{\lambda A} V'_{\lambda B} \rightarrow ZZ$	vp vm > z z	$4.4 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+164%} _{-52%}	$1.6 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+144%} _{-48%}	$1.9 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+143%} _{-48%}	
$V_T V'_T \rightarrow ZZ$	vp{T} vm{T} > z z	$4.0 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+171%} _{-54%}	$1.4 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+153%} _{-50%}	$1.7 \cdot 10^2$ ^{+150%} _{-49%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow ZZ$	vp{0} vm{T} > z z	$4.2 \cdot 10^0$ ^{+66%} _{-33%}	$1.8 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+61%} _{-30%}	$2.2 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+60%} _{-30%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow ZZ$	vp{0} vm{0} > z z	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$6.0 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$7.2 \cdot 10^{-1}$	
$\sum V_{\lambda A} V'_{\lambda B} \rightarrow \gamma Z$	vp vm > a z	$1.9 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+169%} _{-53%}	$7.1 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+149%} _{-49%}	$8.8 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+145%} _{-48%}	
$V_T V'_T \rightarrow \gamma Z$	vp{T} vm{T} > a z	$1.8 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+172%} _{-54%}	$6.8 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+153%} _{-50%}	$8.4 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+149%} _{-49%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow \gamma Z$	vp{0} vm{T} > a z	$9.5 \cdot 10^{-1}$ ^{+67%} _{-33%}	$4.4 \cdot 10^0$ ^{+61%} _{-30%}	$5.5 \cdot 10^0$ ^{+60%} _{-30%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow \gamma Z$	vp{0} vm{0} > a z	$5.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	
$\sum V_{\lambda A} V'_{\lambda B} \rightarrow \gamma W^+$	vp vm > a w+	$1.1 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+111%} _{-42%}	$4.0 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+101%} _{-39%}	$4.9 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+99%} _{-38%}	
$V_T V'_T \rightarrow \gamma W^+$	vp{T} vm{T} > a w+	$1.1 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+111%} _{-42%}	$3.9 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+102%} _{-39%}	$4.8 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+100%} _{-38%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow \gamma W^+$	vp{0} vm{T} > a w+	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-2}$ ^{+62%} _{-31%}	$7.3 \cdot 10^{-1}$ ^{+56%} _{-28%}	$9.2 \cdot 10^{-1}$ ^{+54%} _{-27%}	
$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow \gamma W^+$	vp{0} vm{0} > a w+	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	
$\sum V_{\lambda A} V'_{\lambda B} \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$	vp vm > a a	$2.1 \cdot 10^0$ ^{+172%} _{-54%}	$8.5 \cdot 10^0$ ^{+152%} _{-50%}	$1.1 \cdot 10^1$ ^{+147%} _{-48%}	
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$V_0 V'_0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$	vp{0} vm{0} > a a	$5.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$4.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	

the money plot #1

Plot: M_{WW} for (L) $W_0 W_0 \rightarrow HH$ (R) $W_T W_T \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma$

solid (dashed) = full ME (EVA); lower (upper) = $\sqrt{2}\langle\Phi\rangle = v_{EW} \left(\frac{v_{EW}}{10}\right)$



EVA works within uncertainties when $(M_V^2/M_{VV}^2) < 10^{-2}$.

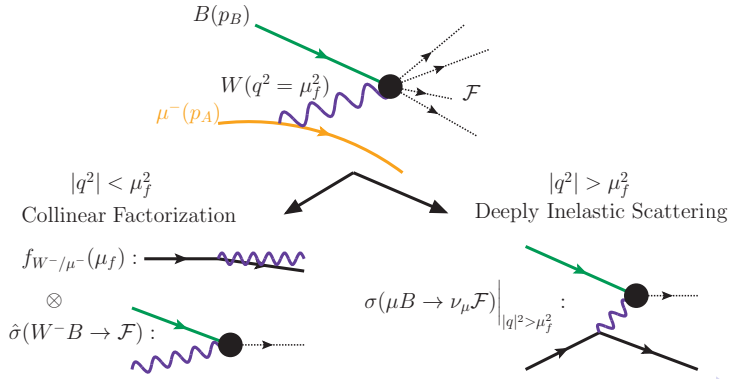
tl;dr: M_V is large $\implies M_{VV}$ must be larger! Numerically consistent with heavy Q factorization!

the money plot #2

Matching EW PDFs to matrix elements

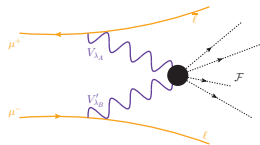
Idea: Total cross section (σ^{total}) can be split into “collinear” ($\sigma^{\text{collinear}}$) and “wide-angle” ($\sigma^{\text{wide-angle}}$) bits. Summing *should* recover σ^{total}

$$\sigma^{\text{total}} = \sigma^{\text{collinear}} + \sigma^{\text{wide-angle}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{M_W^2}{M_{WW}^2}\right) + \underbrace{\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{p_T^{\nu 2}}{M_{WW}^2}\right)}_{\text{How large?}}$$



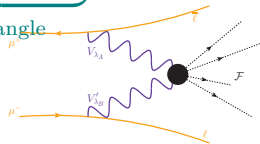
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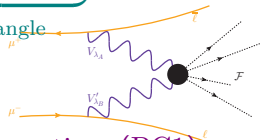


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The **collinear part** contains the W PDF:

$$\sigma^{\text{collinear}} = \int_0^{\mu_f} dp_T^\nu \frac{d\sigma}{dp_T^\nu} \sim \underbrace{\log\left(\frac{\mu_f^2}{M_W^2}\right)}_{\text{PDF}} + \underbrace{\text{power corrections (PC1)}}_{\text{neglect}}$$

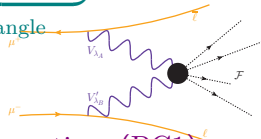


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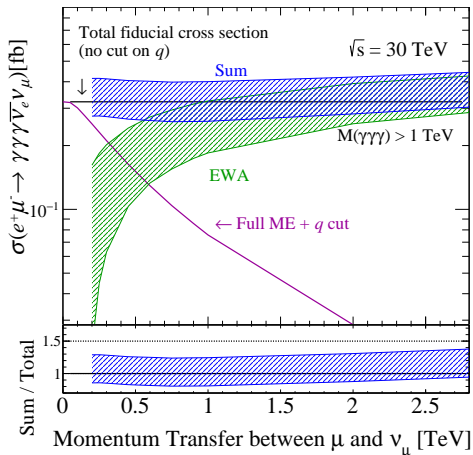
The **wide-angle part** also depends on μ_f :

$$\sigma^{\text{wide-angle}} = \int_{\mu_f}^{M_{WW}} dp_T^\nu \frac{d\sigma}{dp_T^\nu} \sim \underbrace{\log\left(\frac{M_{WW}^2}{\mu_f^2}\right)}_{\text{same log as in PDF}} + \underbrace{\text{PC2}}_{\text{keep}}$$

Summing $\sigma^{\text{collinear}}$ and $\sigma^{\text{wide-angle}}$ *should* recover σ^{total} , up to **PC1**

ME matching: $\sigma^{sum} = \sigma^{EWA} + \sigma^{wide-angle}$ is independent of μ_f :

Plot: $\sigma(e^+\mu^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\bar{\nu}_e\nu_\mu)$ vs matching scale (μ_f)



Take away: Bare PDFs prefer small μ_f , where $\mathcal{O}(p_T^\nu/M_{WW}^2)$ is small!

(otherwise, one is outside the coll. limit; μ_f different for RG-improved PDFs)

When $M_{W/Z/H}^2/Q^2 \rightarrow 0$, qualitatively new behavior emerges

Bluntly, a $\mathcal{O}(10)$ TeV $\mu^+\mu^-$ collider behaves more like a high-energy hadron collider than a sub-TeV e^+e^- collider

[2005.10289]

Take-away: EWA/EVA can work (EW theory is a gauge theory!); some historical disagreements can be tied to size of power/log corrections

[2111.02442]

Outlook: EWA/EVA in MadGraph is now available and plans underway to merge parallel Snowmass efforts

For a broader summary about VBF/VBS, see Buarque-Franzosi, Gallinaro, RR, et al [2106.01393]



Thank you!

What is missing?

(A better understanding of high-energy VBF/S)

What is missing? (1/3)

Idea: $W_\lambda/Z_\lambda/\gamma_\lambda$ PDFs are unrenormalized, so replace them!

- ≥ 2 groups have advance-stage PDFs with EW-DGLAP evolution

Old

$$f_{V_+/f_L}(z, \mu_f^2) = \frac{g_V^2}{4\pi^2} \frac{g_L^2(1-z)^2}{2z} \log \left[\frac{\mu_f^2}{M_V^2} \right],$$

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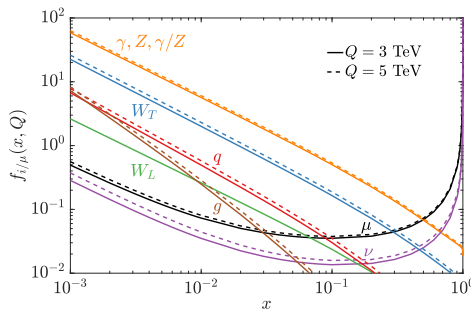
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New



(efforts underway to incorporate Han, et al [2007.14300]!)

What is missing? (2/3)

$$\sigma(\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow \mathcal{F} + X) = \Delta \otimes f \otimes f \otimes \hat{\sigma} + \text{uncertainties}$$

$$= \underbrace{\sum_{V_{\lambda_A}, V'_{\lambda_B}} \int_{\tau_0}^1 d\xi_1 \int_{\tau_0/\xi_1}^1 d\xi_2 \int dz \int dPS_{\mathcal{F}}}_{\text{sum over all configs. / phase space integral}} \underbrace{\Delta(z)}_{\text{Sudakov factor (several ways to include this)}}$$

$$\times \left[\underbrace{f_{V_{\lambda_A}/\mu^+}(\xi_1, \mu_f) f_{V'_{\lambda_B}/\mu^-}(\xi_2, \mu_f)}_{W_{\lambda}^+ / W_{\lambda}^- / Z_{\lambda} / \gamma_{\lambda} \text{ PDFs at LO}} \right] \times \underbrace{\frac{d\hat{\sigma}(V_{\lambda_A} V'_{\lambda_B} \rightarrow \mathcal{F})}{dPS_n}}_{\text{"hard scattering" at LO}}$$

$$+ \underbrace{\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{M_{V_k}^2}{M_{V_{V'}}^2}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{p_{T, V_k}^2}{M_{V_{V'}}^2}\right)}_{\text{perturbative power-law corrections}}$$

$$+ \underbrace{\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\alpha_W}{M_{V_{V'}}^2} \log \frac{\mu_f^2}{M_{V_{V'}}^2}\right)}_{\text{log corrections}}$$

What is missing? (3/3)

Z_T/γ_T **interference**: When Z_T/γ_T can interfere, in principle, there is a “third PDF” and “third squared matrix element”

- $f_{\gamma_T/\mu}(\xi, \mu)$: from $\mu \rightarrow \mu\gamma_T$ ME and paired with $|\mathcal{M}(\gamma_T X \rightarrow \mathcal{F})|^2$
- $f_{Z_T/\mu}(\xi, \mu)$: from $\mu \rightarrow \mu Z_T$ ME and paired with $|\mathcal{M}(Z_T X \rightarrow \mathcal{F})|^2$
- $f_{(\gamma_T * Z_T)/\mu}(\xi, \mu)$: from $\mu \rightarrow \mu Z_T/\gamma_T$ interference and paired with the quantity $\Re[\mathcal{M}^*(\gamma_T X \rightarrow \mathcal{F})\mathcal{M}(Z_T X \rightarrow \mathcal{F})]$

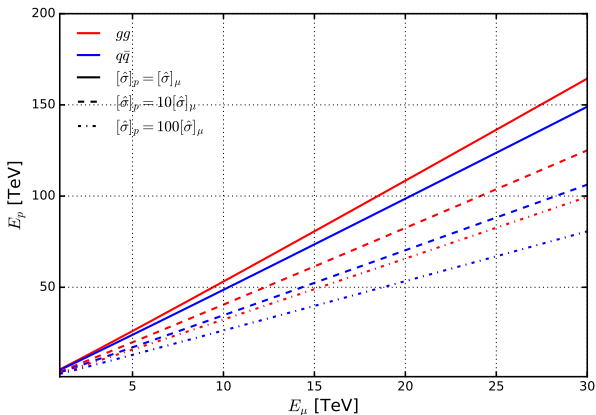
The last is documented in more recent literature (e.g., Han, et al; Manohar, et al) but does not involve scattering of asymptotic states / mass eigenstates

Proton vs muon

Like e^+e^- machines, $\mu^+\mu^-$ machines collide elementary particles

- up to rad. corrections, $\mu\mu$ collisions carry full energy $\implies \sqrt{\hat{s}} = \sqrt{s}$
- pp colliders, e.g., LHC and FCC-hh, need larger \sqrt{s} for same $\sqrt{\hat{s}}$

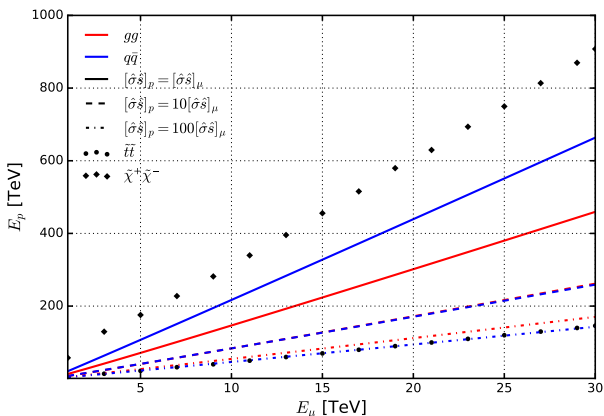
Plot: $\sqrt{s_{pp}}$ needed for $\hat{\sigma}_{pp} = \hat{\sigma}_{\mu\mu}$ in $2 \rightarrow 1$ processes at $\sqrt{s_{\mu\mu}}$



2 → 1 processes are only small subset of possibilities (and also special!)

• 2 → 2 process help give bigger picture (and variability!)

Plot: $\sqrt{s_{pp}}$ needed for $\hat{s}_{pp}\hat{\sigma}_{pp} = \hat{s}_{\mu\mu}\hat{\sigma}_{\mu\mu}$ in 2 → 2 processes at $\sqrt{s_{\mu\mu}}$



• Assumed that $2M = 0.9\sqrt{s_{\mu\mu}}$

• PDF and phase space impact 2 → 2 more than the 2 → 1 suggests