

# Prospects of measuring the Higgs self-coupling at the ILC.

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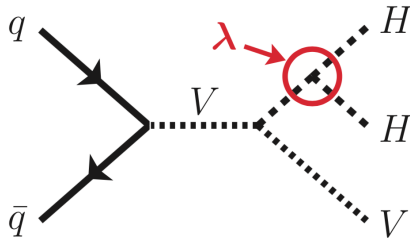
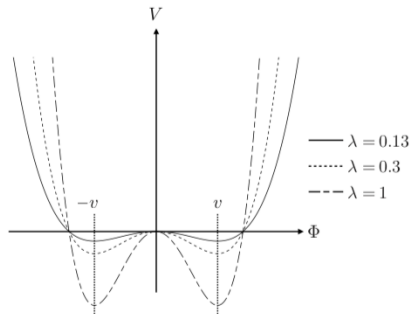
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# Understanding the Higgs Field

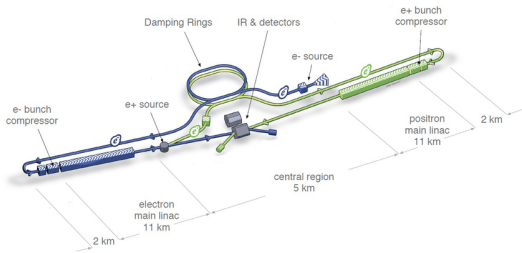
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs}} = -g_{Hf\bar{f}} + \frac{g_{HHH}}{6} H^3 + \frac{g_{HHHH}}{24} H^4 + \delta_V V_\mu V^\mu (g_{HVV} H + \frac{g_{HHVV}}{2} H^2) \quad (1)$$

- > The Lagrangian describes the the Higgs couplings to fermions, gauge bosons, and to itself where the self-coupling parameters are defined as  $g_{HHH} = 6\lambda v$  and  $g_{HHH} = 6\lambda$
- > Measuring the Higgs self-coupling can lead to better understanding the Higgs potential
- > Double Higgs production gives access to Higgs self-coupling



# The International Linear Collider

## High-luminosity linear electron-positron collider



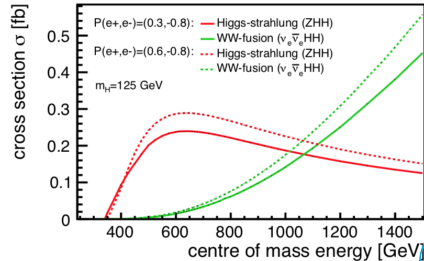
Polarised beams:  $P(e^+, e^-) = (\pm 30, \pm 80)\%$   
 $\sqrt{s}$ -range: 250–500 GeV (extendable to 1 TeV)  
Length:  $\sim 31$  km

Particle physics at the precision frontier:

- > No substructure of electrons
- > No underlying event
- > No PDFs i.e. initial state is known in all directions

## Double Higgs Production @ ILC

Planned phase:  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV with  $\mathcal{L} = 4 ab^{-1}$



# Measuring the Higgs Self-Coupling

Signature: 6-particle final state

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c} ZHH \rightarrow \ell\ell b\bar{b}b\bar{b} & ZHH \rightarrow \nu\nu b\bar{b}b\bar{b} & ZHH \rightarrow q\bar{q}b\bar{b}b\bar{b} \\ 2 \text{ leptons} + 4 \text{ jets} & \text{Missing energy} + 4 \text{ jets} & 6 \text{ jets} \end{array}$$

Expected precision on the measurement:

$$\frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda} \propto \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma}$$

Latest full detector simulation study at ILC [DESY-THESIS-2016-027] clearly demonstrated the ILC's ability to discover double Higgs production and to measure  $\lambda$  ... and gave a *strategy for further improvements*.

After full ILC running scenario a precision

→ on  $\sigma_{ZHH}$  of 16.8 %

→ on  $\lambda_{SM}$  of 26.6 %

→ on  $\lambda_{SM}$  combined with additional running scenario at 1 TeV of 10 %

> assumed combining the most dominant channels  $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$  and  $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}WW$

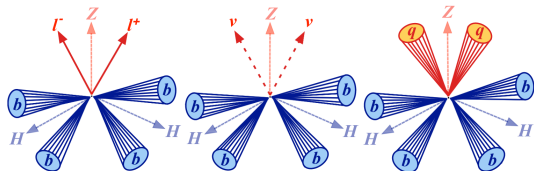
Challenges:

> Small cross section: only 395 events are expected in total

> Overlapping jets: Jet-finding ambiguities



# Event reconstruction



- > Isolated lepton tagging — selection or rejection
- > Overlay removal
- > Jet reconstruction from remaining event
- > Flavour tagging
- > ErrorFlow
- > Kinematic fit

## Isolated lepton tagging

- > neural-based approach
- > separate signature leptons from leptons in semi leptonic decays and mis-identified leptons

## Overlay removal

- >  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \text{low-}p_T \text{ hadrons}$
- > Expect  $\langle N_{\text{overlay}} \rangle = 1.2 \text{ particles/event}$
- > Not included in the results of the latest analysis

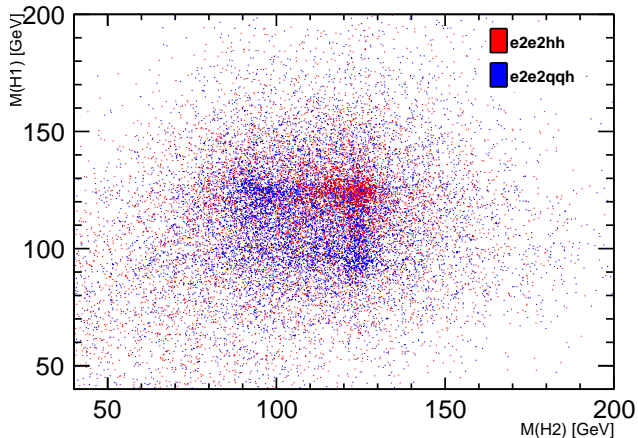
## b-tagging tools

- > Latest analysis showed that a 5% relative improvement in the  $b$ -tagging efficiency for the same purity would lead to a relative improvement of 11% in the precision on  $\sigma_{\text{ZHH}}$  [DESY-THESIS-2016-027]
- > This improvement in  $b$ -tagging tools has already been achieved [arXiv:2003.01116]



# ZZH Background

Main irreducible background with a similar signature to ZHH



Large overlap between signal and background  $\rightarrow$  Z/H separation crucial for identifying Higgs production!

Event reconstruction can be improved with a kinematic fit

# Kinematic Fitting

## Event Reconstruction

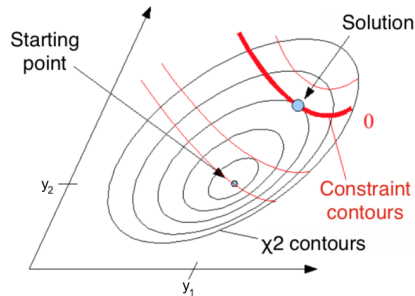
Exploit well-known initial state in  $e^+e^-$  colliders for:

- > Jet-pairing
- > Measurement corrections

$\chi^2$ -function to minimise:

$$L(y) = S(y) + 2 \sum_{k=1}^m \lambda_k f_k(a, y)$$

- > **Least Squares Principle:**  $S(y) = \Delta y^T \mathbf{V}(y)^{-1} \Delta y = \min$
- > **Lagrange multipliers:**  $2 \sum_{k=1}^m \lambda_k f_k(a, y)$
- > **Model expressed as  $m$  constraints:**  $f_k(\bar{a}, \bar{y}) = 0$  ,  $k = 1, \dots, m$



- $y$ : set of measured parameters
- $a$ : set of unmeasured parameters
- $\Delta y$ : corrections to  $y$
- $\mathbf{V}(y)$ : covariance matrix for  $y$



# ErrorFlow

## Jet energy resolution parametrisation

Correct error parametrisation is crucial for kinematic fitting

Parametrize sources of uncertainties (assumed uncorrelated) in jet energy measurements (ErrorFlow):

$$\sigma_{E_{jet}} = \sigma_{Det} \oplus \sigma_{Conf} \oplus \sigma_{\nu} \oplus \sigma_{Clus} \oplus \sigma_{Had}$$

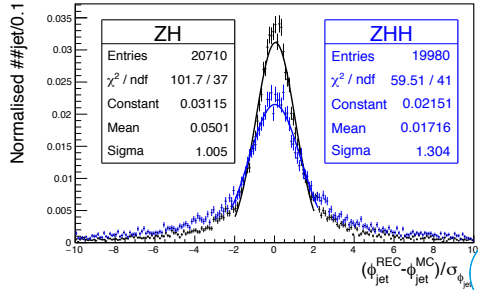
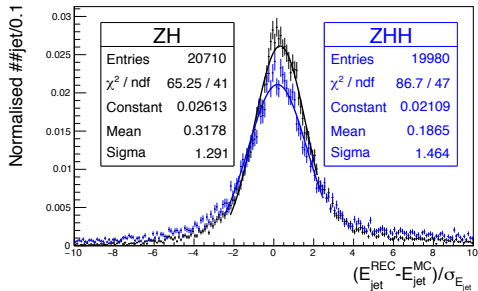
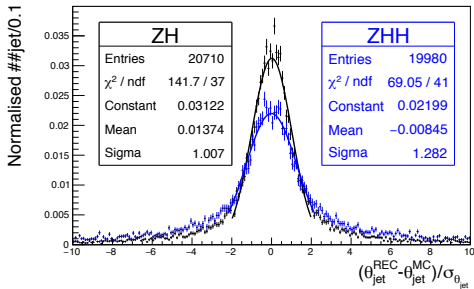
- >  $\sigma_{Det}$ : Detector resolution using track and cluster parameters
- >  $\sigma_{Conf}$ : Particle confusion in Particle Flow Algorithm  
Estimated based on jet energy and neutral hadron / photon energy fractions
- >  $\sigma_{\nu}$ : Semi-leptonic decays: error propagation from neutrino correction currently done with cheating  
Recent advancements for future iterations where neutrino correction is done from reconstruction
- >  $\sigma_{Clus}$ : Misassignment of particles in the jet clustering, has not been included yet
- >  $\sigma_{Had}$ : Mismodeling of QCD effects in parton shower and hadronization, has not been included yet





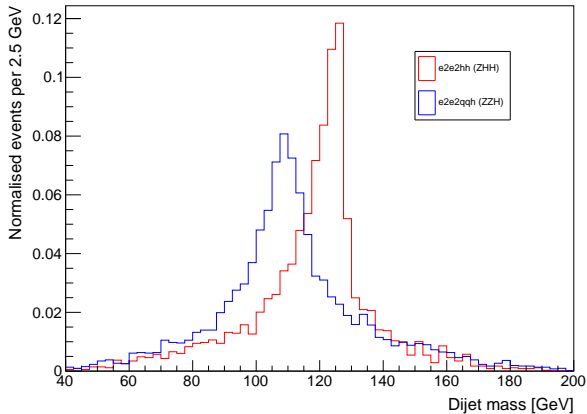
# Residuals

- No semileptonic decays
- No overlay
- Residuals show correctly estimated errors for ZH but underestimated errors for ZHH
- Expect larger multiplicity for ZHH than for ZH  
i.e. more mis-clustering  $\rightarrow \sigma_{Clus}$



# Z/H Separation

Fitted Higgs masses



Four-momentum conservation constraints:

$$\sum p_x = \sqrt{s} \cdot \sin(0.007) \approx 3.5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sum p_y = 0$$

$$\sum p_z = 0$$

$$\sum E = 500 \text{ GeV}$$

Equal mass constraint:

$$m_{j_1 j_2} - m_{j_3 j_4} = 0$$

Including ISR in fit



# Summary

- ILC's ability to discover double Higgs production and measure  $\lambda$  has been clearly demonstrated in the past
- Tremendous improvements in high level reconstruction tools have been achieved in the last 5+ years
- The sensitivity to the Higgs self-coupling is expected to improve when propagating the newest tools to the analysis
- With this new analysis, the question of how well the Higgs self-coupling can be measured at the ILC *now* will be answered — important for shaping the landscape of future colliders

