

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

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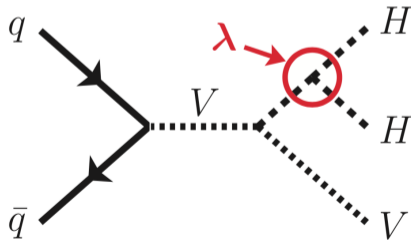
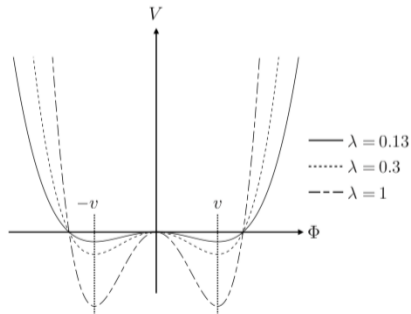
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# Understanding the Higgs Field

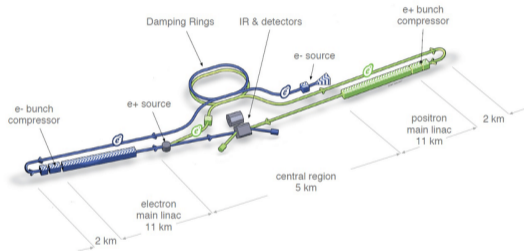
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs}} = -g_{Hf\bar{f}} + \frac{g_{HHH}}{6} H^3 + \frac{g_{HHHH}}{24} H^4 + \delta_V V_\mu V^\mu (g_{HVV} H + \frac{g_{HHVV}}{2} H^2)$$

- > The Lagrangian describes the the Higgs couplings to fermions, gauge bosons, and to itself  
 $g_{HHH} = 6\lambda v$  and  $g_{HHHH} = 6\lambda$
- > Measuring  $\lambda \rightarrow$  Higgs potential



# The International Linear Collider

## High-luminosity linear electron-positron collider



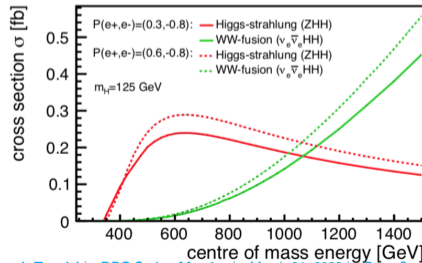
Polarised beams:  $P(e^+, e^-) = (\pm 30, \mp 80)\%$   
 $\sqrt{s}$ -range: 250–500 GeV (extendable to 1 TeV)

Clean experimental environment:

- > No substructure of electrons
- > No underlying event
- > No PDFs i.e. initial state is known in all directions
- > Particle physics → precision frontier

## Double Higgs Production @ ILC

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



# Measuring the Higgs Self-Coupling

Signature: 6-particle final state

Expected precision on the measurement:

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

Challenging because of small cross section

→ 395 events in total

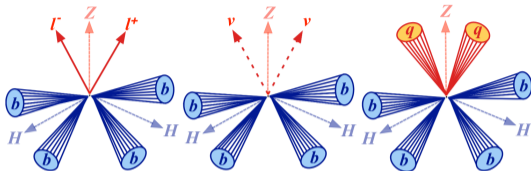
**Previous results [DESY-THESIS-2016-027]**

After full ILC running scenario ( $HH \rightarrow bbbb + HH \rightarrow bbWW$ )

→  $\Delta\sigma_{ZHH}/\sigma_{ZHH} = 16.8\%$

→  $\Delta\lambda_{SM}/\lambda_{SM} = 26.6\%$

→  $\Delta\lambda_{SM}/\lambda_{SM} = 10\%$  when combined with additional running scenario at 1 TeV



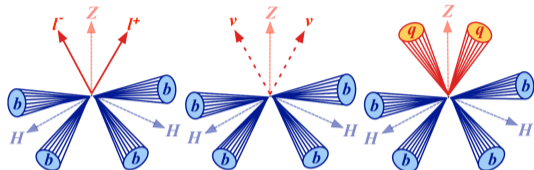
Discovery  
potential clearly  
demonstrated

**Strategy for further improvements**

Better reconstruction tools now →

improve precision on  $\sigma_{ZHH}$  and  $\lambda_{SM}$  !

# Event reconstruction



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

## Isolated lepton tagging

- > identify signature leptons

## Overlay removal

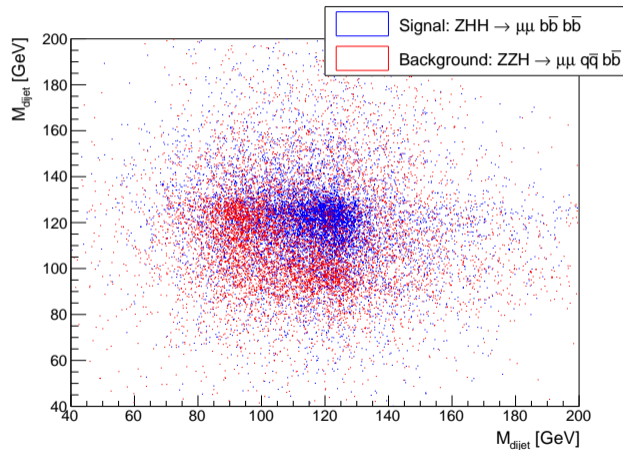
- >  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow$  low- $p_T$  hadrons
- > Expect  $\langle N_{\text{overlay}} \rangle = 1.2$  particles/event
- > Not included previously ✗

## $b$ -tagging tools

- > Better  $b$ -tagging efficiency ✓ [arXiv:2003.01116]  
5% relative improvement in  $\varepsilon_{b\text{-tag}}$   
 $\rightarrow$  11% relative improvement in  $\Delta\sigma_{\text{ZHH}}/\sigma_{\text{ZHH}}$   
[DESY-THESIS-2016-027]

# ZZH Background

Main irreducible background with a similar signature to ZHH



Large overlap between signal and background  
→ Z/H separation is crucial!

Solution: Kinematic fit

# Kinematic Fitting

## Event Reconstruction

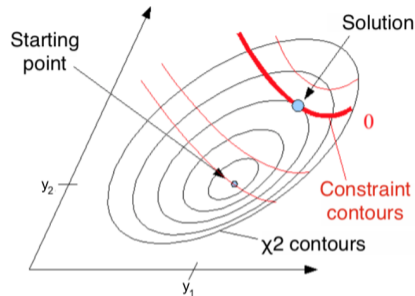
Exploit well-known initial state in  $e^+e^-$  colliders for:

- > 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

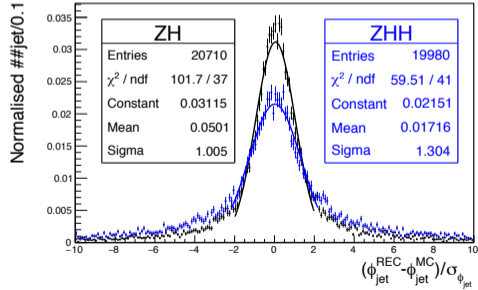
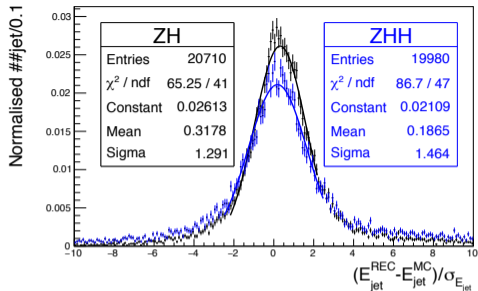
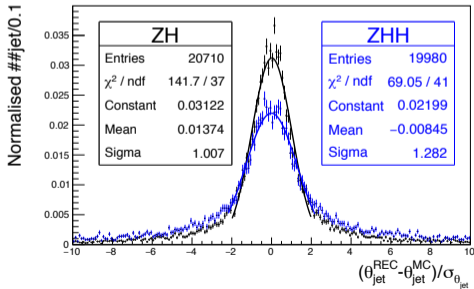
Parametrize sources of uncertainties for jets:

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

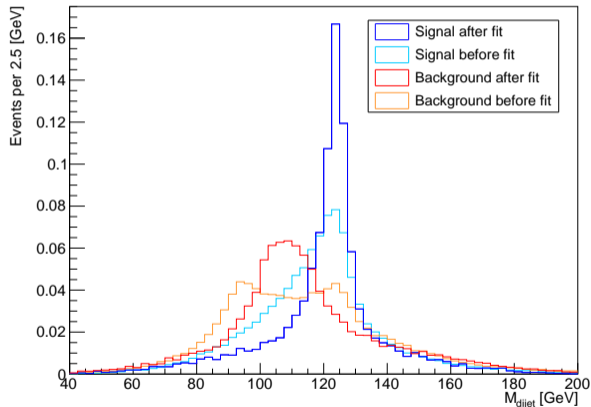
- >  $\sigma_{Det}$ : Detector resolution
  - >  $\sigma_{Conf}$ : Particle confusion in Particle Flow Algorithm
  - >  $\sigma_{\nu}$ : Semi-leptonic decays: neutrino correction currently done with **cheating**  
Coming soon: neutrino correction done from **reconstruction**
  - >  $\sigma_{Clus}$ : Misassignment of particles in the jet clustering
  - >  $\sigma_{Had}$ : Mismodeling of QCD effects
- } not included yet

# Residuals

- No semileptonic decays
- No overlay events ( $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ )
- 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  $\rightarrow \sigma_{\text{Clus}}$



# Z/H Separation



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

- **Past results:** ILC can discover  $HH$  production and measure  $\lambda$
- **Last 5+ years:** Achieved even better high level reconstruction tools
- **Now:** Expect even better sensitivity to  $HH$  production and  $\lambda$  at ILC
  
- **Next step: How much better?** — important for shaping the landscape of future colliders