

Higgs pair production in Composite Higgs models

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- Hierarchy problem
 - in Composite Higgs models: Higgs mass generated dynamically through loops of SM fermions and gauge bosons
 - Higgs mass is naturally light
- To reconstruct Higgs potential → measurement of Higgs self couplings is necessary
 - trilinear coupling can be measured in Higgs pair production
 - quartic Higgs coupling is accessible in Three-Higgs-production, but: Cannot even be measured at ILC/CLIC [CLIC Physics working group] or VLHC [Plehn, Rauch]

- Higgs boson is a bound state from a strongly-interacting sector [Kaplan, Georgi, Galison, Dugan; Dimopoulos, Preskill; Banks]
- Higgs boson emerges as a pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone boson from a global symmetry

$$G \xrightarrow{f} H \supset H_0 = SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

- G is explicitly broken by couplings of SM fields to strong sector
→ loops of SM fermions and gauge bosons generate Higgs potential
- Higgs boson is naturally separated by a mass gap from the other usual resonances
- In an effective low-energy description only the Higgs couplings to the SM fields are modified and depend on $\xi = \frac{v^2}{f^2}$ with $\xi \in [0, 1]$
[Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi]

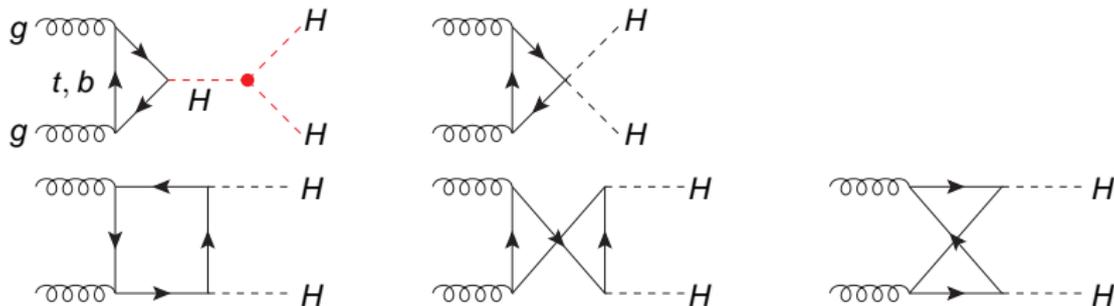
- Realized as 5D theory on AdS spacetime \rightarrow holographic interpretation in terms of 4D strongly coupled field theories
- Global symmetry $G = SO(5) \times U(1)_X$ broken down to
 - $SO(4) \times U(1)_X$ on IR-brane
 - $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ on UV-brane
- Higgs-fermion and Higgs self-couplings depend on the representation of the fermions:
 - spinorial representation: MCHM₄
 - fundamental representation: MCHM₅

	MCHM ₄	MCHM ₅
HVV	$\sqrt{1-\xi}$	$\sqrt{1-\xi}$
$HHVV$	$1-2\xi$	$1-2\xi$
HHH	$\sqrt{1-\xi}$	$\frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}}$
$Hf\bar{f}$	$\sqrt{1-\xi}$	$\frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}}$

New couplings appear from operators with $\dim > 4$
 (e.g. $g_{HHf\bar{f}}$ which is important for Higgs pair production via gluon fusion)

What about the LHC? [RG, Mühlleitner]

- Dominating process: Gluon fusion (~ 1 order larger than cross section of vector boson fusion for SM)
- New coupling $g_{HH\bar{t}t} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\xi$

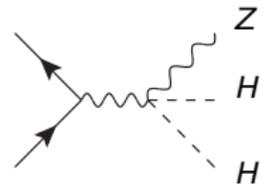
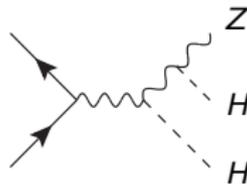
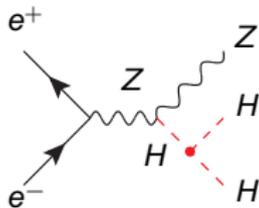


- Cxn increases with ξ
- The dominant background processes do not depend on $\xi \Rightarrow$ prospects of extracting the signal are better than in SM
- In SM: λ_{HHH} can be measured with accuracy of 50 – 80% for $\int \mathcal{L} = 6000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ on 1σ level for $M_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$ [Baur, Plehn, Rainwater].

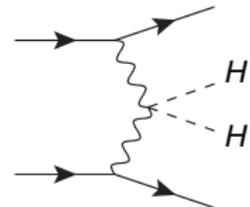
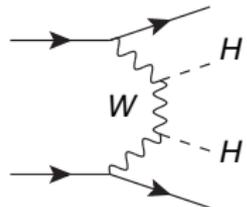
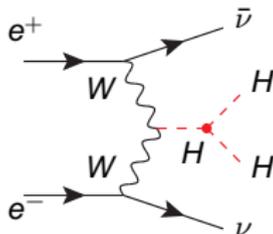
- If there are any new fermions (top partners) below the cutoff, they can influence the cross section [Espinosa, Gillioz, RG, Grojean, Mühlleitner, Salvioni; in preparation]
 - New parameters come into play, which have to be measured.
 - They don't affect single Higgs production [Low, Vichi; Azatov, Galloway]. → Accessible in Higgs pair production or direct production of heavy top partners.
 - If the top partners are very heavy and cannot be directly produced, a measurement of the triple Higgs coupling might not be possible anymore.
- ⇒ The triple Higgs coupling can only be measured at another collider.

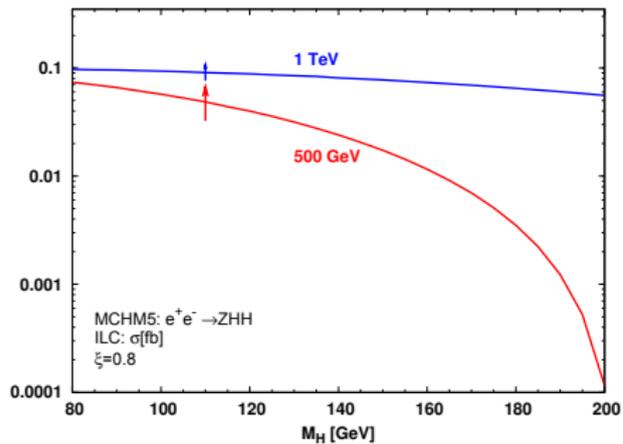
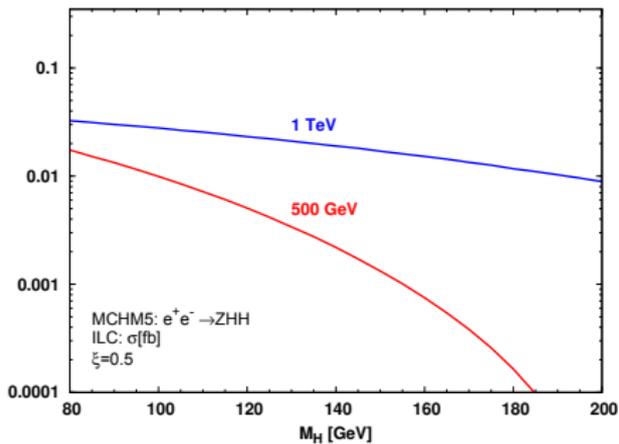
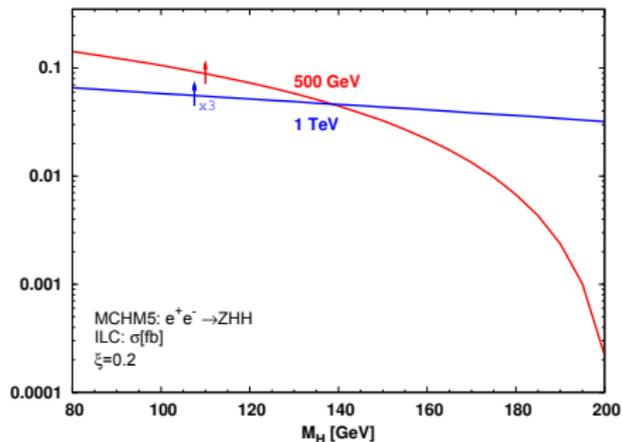
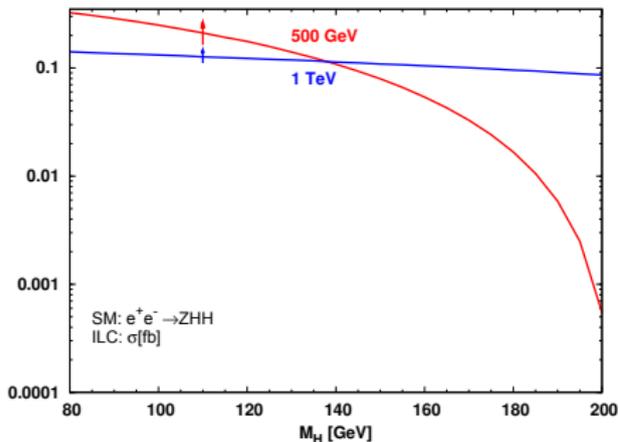
- The trilinear Higgs self coupling can be measured in Higgs pair production.
- Most important processes in SM at the ILC:
 - For low energies: Double Higgs-strahlung
 - For large energies: W fusion

Double Higgs-strahlung:



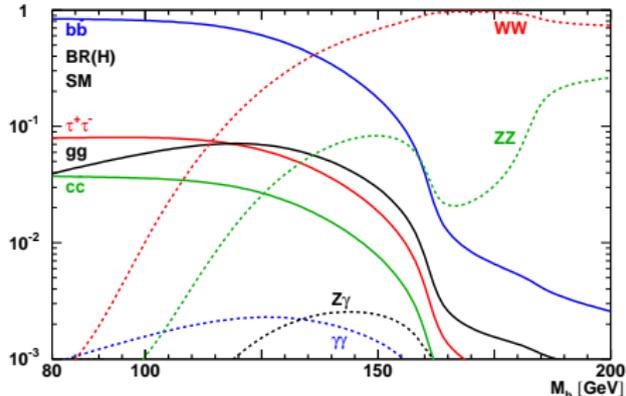
W fusion:





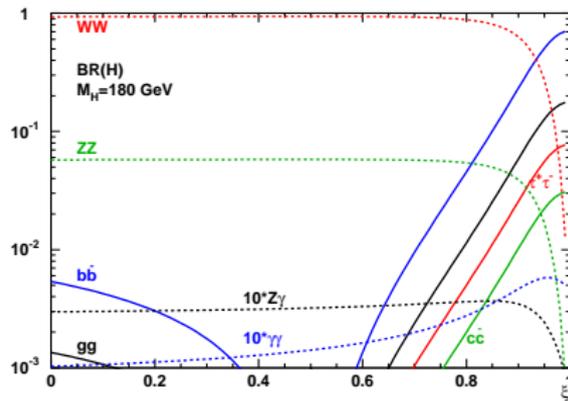
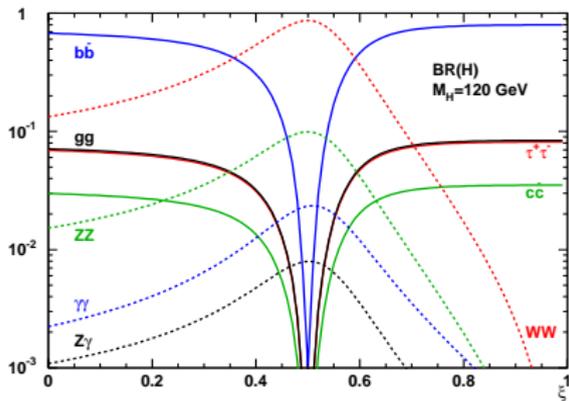
Branching ratios [Espinosa, Grojean, Mühlleitner]

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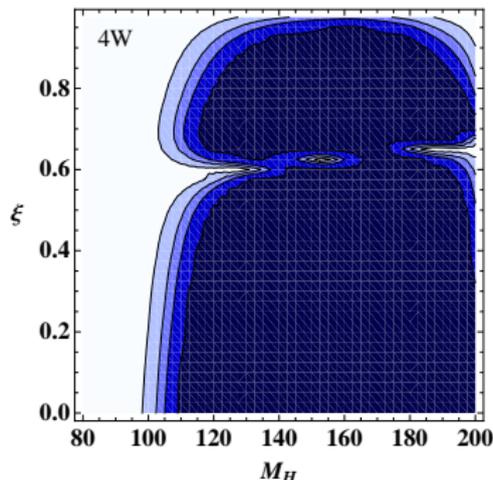
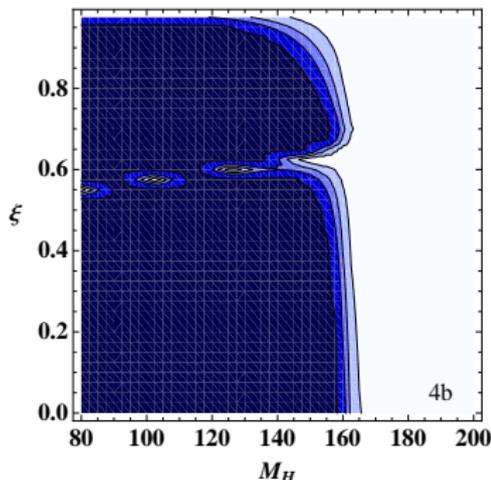
Sensitivities to $\lambda_{HHH} \neq 0$ in double Higgs-strahlung

Assumption: EWSB is realized in the framework of MCHM (ξ can be measured with accuracy of $\sim 20\%$ at the LHC [Bock, Lafaye, Plehn, Rauch, Zerwas, Zerwas]; for anomalous Higgs couplings cf. [Barger, Han, Langacker, McElrath, Zerwas])

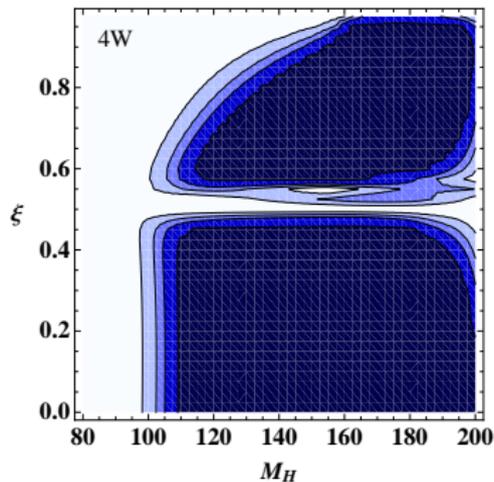
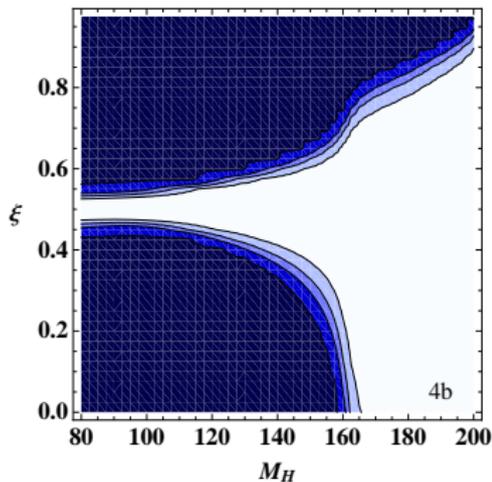
Criterion:

$$S + \beta\sqrt{S} < S_{\lambda_{HHH}=0} \quad \text{or} \quad S - \beta\sqrt{S} > S_{\lambda_{HHH}=0} \quad (\beta = 1, 2, 3, 5)$$

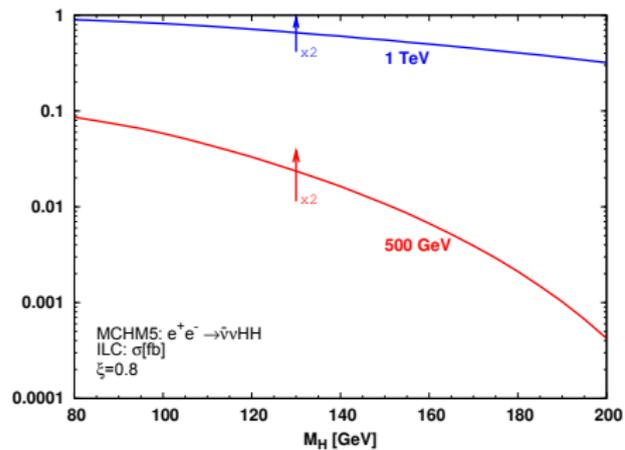
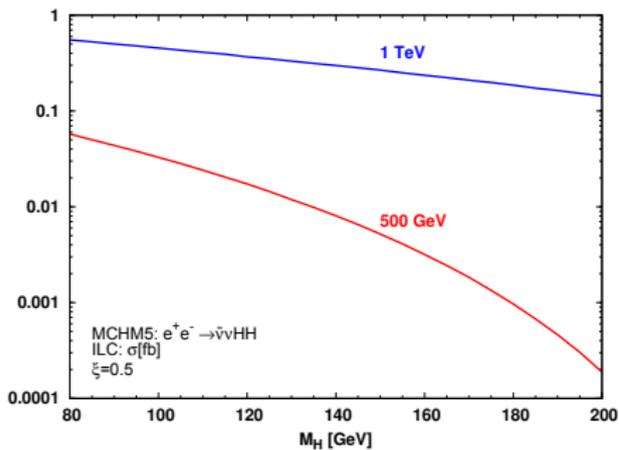
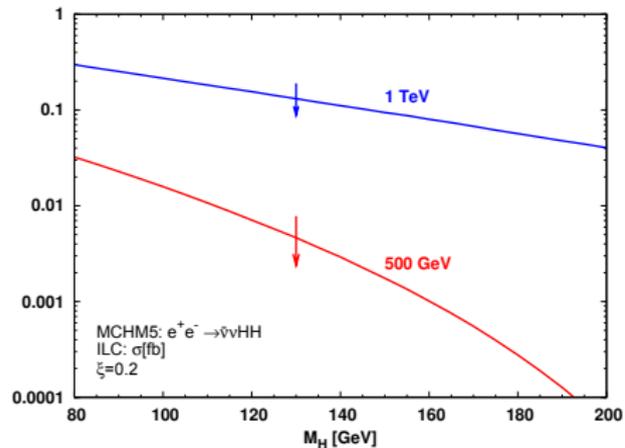
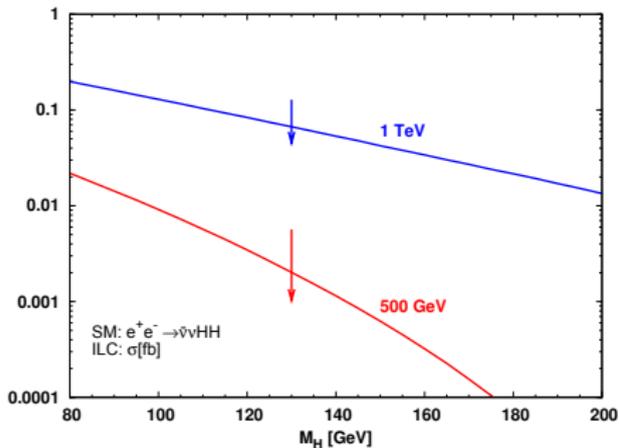
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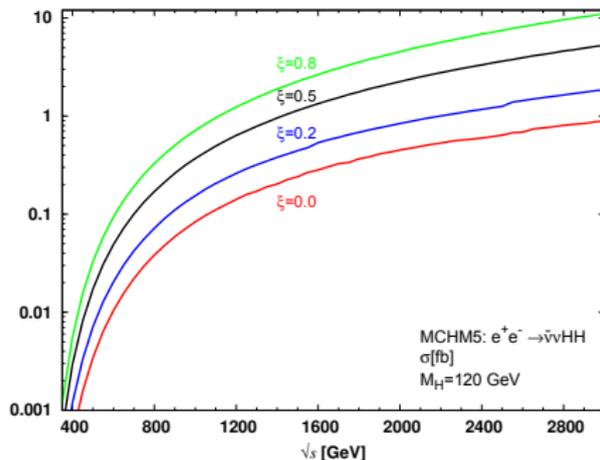
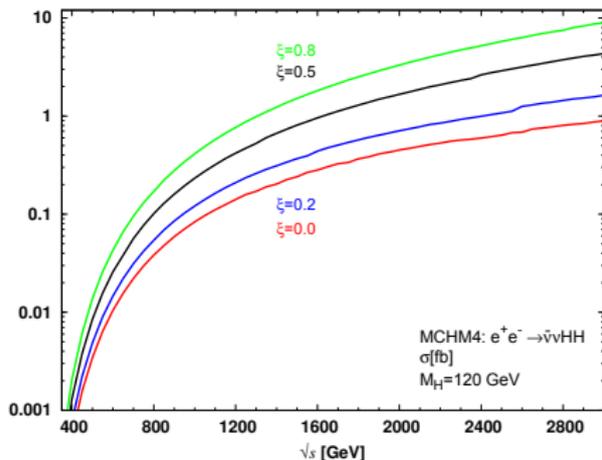
- Our analysis represents only the ideal case – for a realistic study detector properties and background processes have to be taken into account
- In the SM, the triple Higgs coupling can be measured with a precision of 22% for $\int \mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ [Castanier, Gay, Lutz, Orloff; Djouadi, Kilian, Mühlleitner, Zerwas; Baur; talk by Junping Tian]
- In the MCHM the cross sections are reduced but not the dominant background processes- prospects are worse than in the SM



Energy behaviour in W fusion

For high energies: $\mathcal{M} \sim \xi s$

Modified couplings to vector bosons \rightarrow no complete cancellation of s -dependence

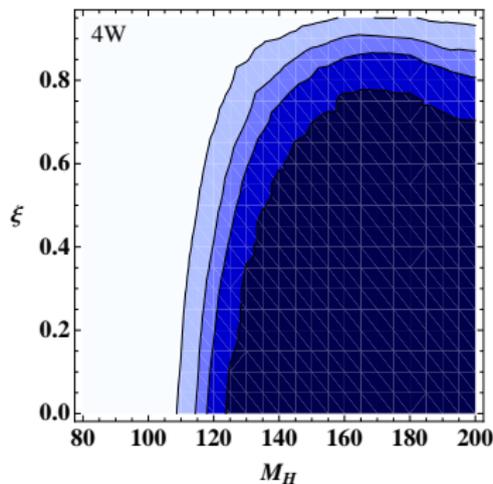
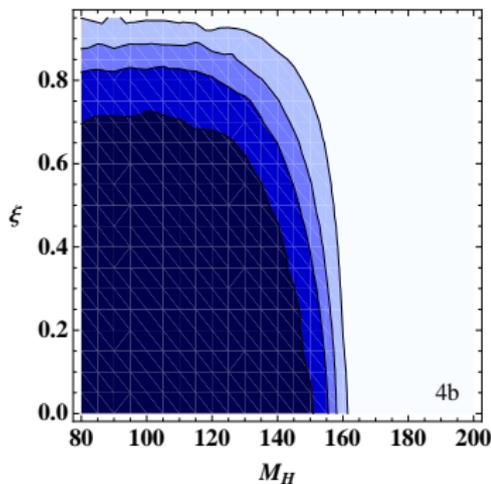


Partial wave unitarity: Theory is only valid up to cutoff of effective description, which should be smaller than unitarity bound.

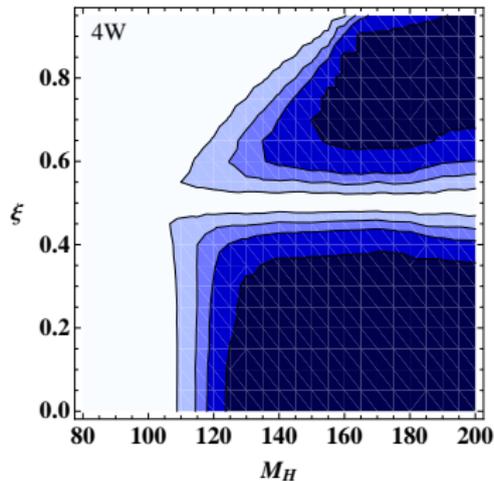
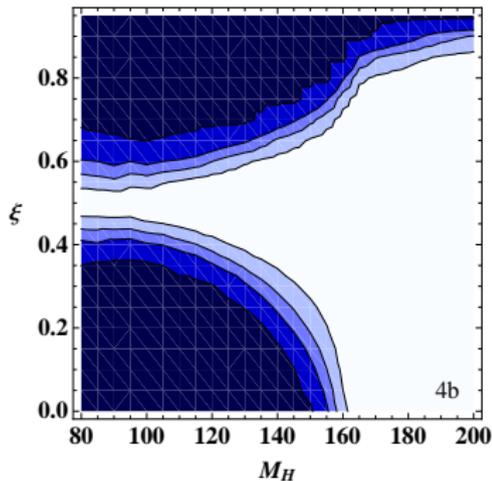
The diagram involving λ_{HHH} is not $\sim s \Rightarrow$ Irreducible background (of the other diagrams) becomes dominating for high energies.

Sensitivities on $\lambda_{HHH} \neq 0$ in W fusion

MCHM₄ for $\int \mathcal{L} = 500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, $\sqrt{s} = 1 \text{ TeV}$ and polarized beams (factor 4 for cross section, but realistically $P(e^-) \approx 80\%$, $P(e^+) \approx 60\%$ [Moortgat-Pick et al.]):



MCHM₅ for $\int \mathcal{L} = 500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, $\sqrt{s} = 1 \text{ TeV}$ and polarized beams:



- The W fusion cross section increases with rising ξ
- λ_{HHH} can be measured with a precision of $\sim 10\%$ in the SM [Boos, Battaglia, Yau; Yasui, Kanemura, Kiyoura, Odagiri, Okada, Seneha, Yamashita; Baur]
- Similar results can be expected in a some parts of the parameter region in W fusion

- Measurement of Higgs self couplings necessary to reconstruct Higgs potential
- A measurement of λ_{HHH} at the LHC is very difficult.
- In MCHM cross sections in double Higgs-strahlung are reduced compared to the SM \rightarrow prospects of extracting λ_{HHH} look worse.
- The W boson fusion cross section increases with rising ξ and the energy.
- Large parameter regions where λ_{HHH} seems to be measurable in W -fusion and double Higgs-strahlung.

Constraints from electroweak data

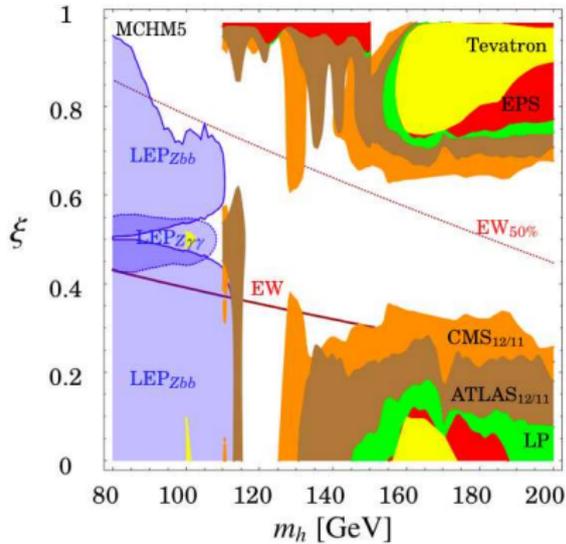
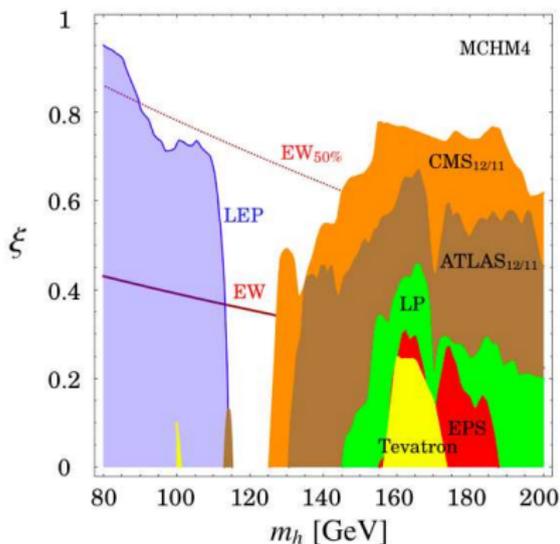


Figure: See [Espinosa, Grojean, Mühlleitner]

New kinetic terms \rightarrow field redefinition

$$\Phi = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{v} \left(H - \frac{c_H \xi}{2} \left(H + \frac{H^2}{v} + \frac{H^3}{3v^2} \right) \right) + 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

\rightarrow redefinition of Higgs and fermion masses and vacuum expectation value

$$\frac{v^2}{2} = \frac{\mu^2}{2\lambda} \left(1 - \frac{3}{4} c_6 \xi \right) = \frac{(246 \text{ GeV})^2}{2} .$$

$$m_f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} y_f v \left(1 + \frac{\xi}{2} c_y \right) ,$$

$$\frac{M_H^2}{2} = \frac{(\sqrt{2\lambda}v)^2}{2} \left(1 - c_H \xi + \frac{3}{4} c_6 \xi \right) .$$

$$g_{HVV} = g_{HVV}^{SM} \left(1 - \frac{c_H}{2} \xi \right)$$

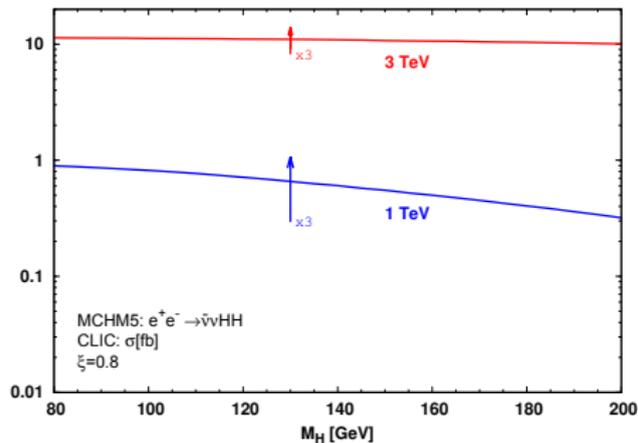
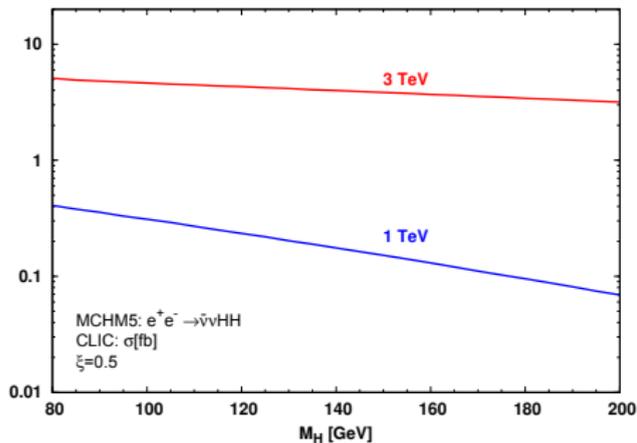
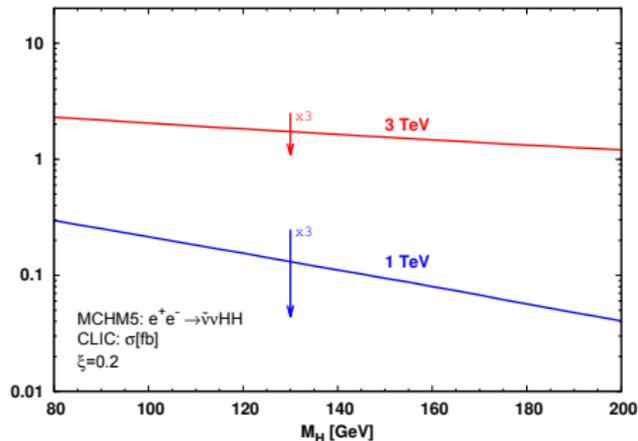
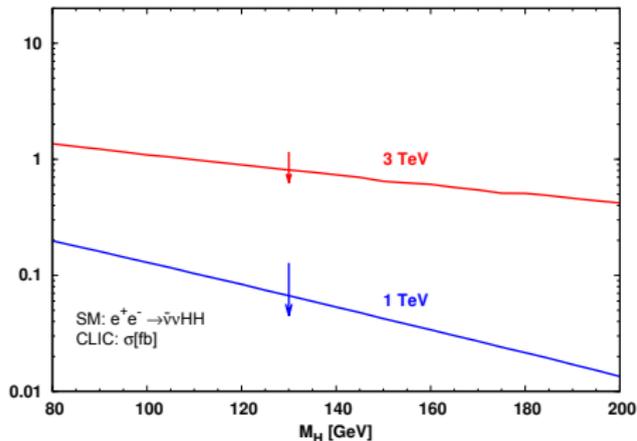
$$g_{Hff} = g_{Hff}^{SM} \left(1 - \xi \frac{c_H}{2} + \xi c_y \right)$$

$$g_{HHH} = g_{HHH}^{SM} \left(1 + \xi c_6 - \xi \frac{3 c_H}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{with } g_{HWW}^{SM} = g M_W \text{ and } g_{HZZ}^{SM} = \frac{g M_Z}{2}$$

$$\text{with } g_{Hff}^{SM} = \frac{g m_f}{2 M_W}$$

$$\text{with } g_{HHH}^{SM} = \frac{3 g M_H^2}{2 M_W}$$



Measurement of $\lambda_{HHH} \neq 0$ in W -fusion

MCHM₅ for $\int \mathcal{L} = 500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, $\sqrt{s} = 1 \text{ TeV}$ and unpolarized beams:

