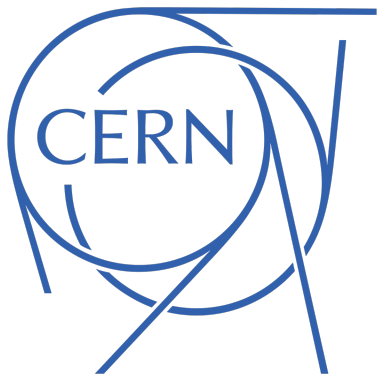


High-precision QCD physics at FCC-ee

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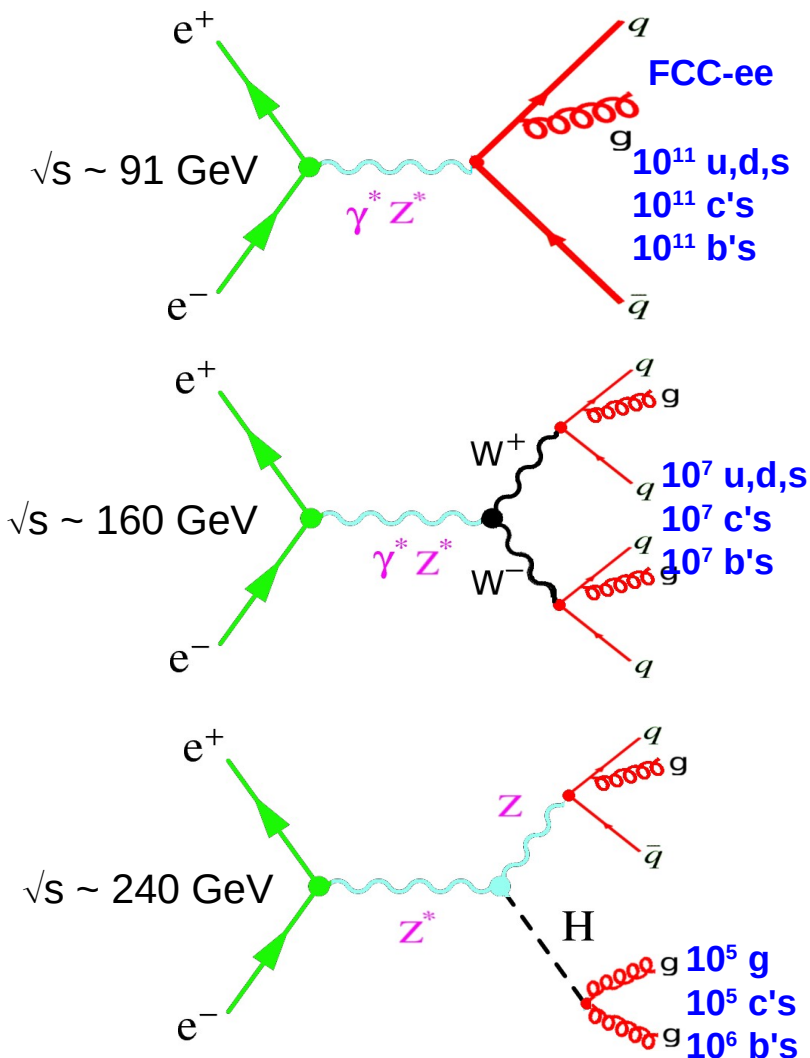


QCD, a key ingredient at future colliders

- QCD is crucial for many ee , pp measurements:
- **High-precision α_s** : affects all x-sections & decays (Higgs, top, etc.)
- **NⁿLO corrections, NⁿLL resummations**: affects all pQCD x-sections & decays
- **High-precision PDFs**: affects all precision W,Z,H measurements & all searches in pp collisions
- **Heavy-Quark/Light-Quark/Gluon separation (jet substructure, boosted topologies, etc.)**: needed for all precision SM measurement & BSM searches with jets in the final jets
- **Semihard QCD (low-x saturation, multiple parton interactions, etc.)**: significant pQCD x-sections at FCC-hh
- **Non-perturbative QCD**: affects final states with jets → colour reconnection, parton shower, hadronization, etc.

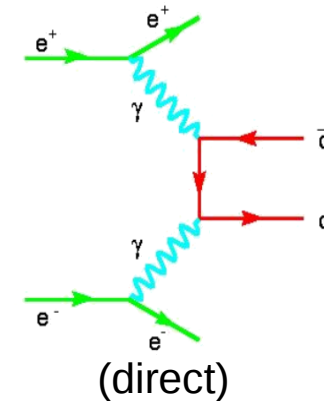
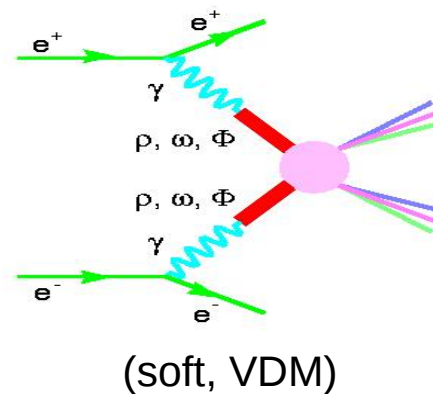
Precision QCD in e^+e^- collisions

- e^+e^- collisions provide an extremely clean environment with fully-controlled initial state to probe quark and gluons dynamics very precisely



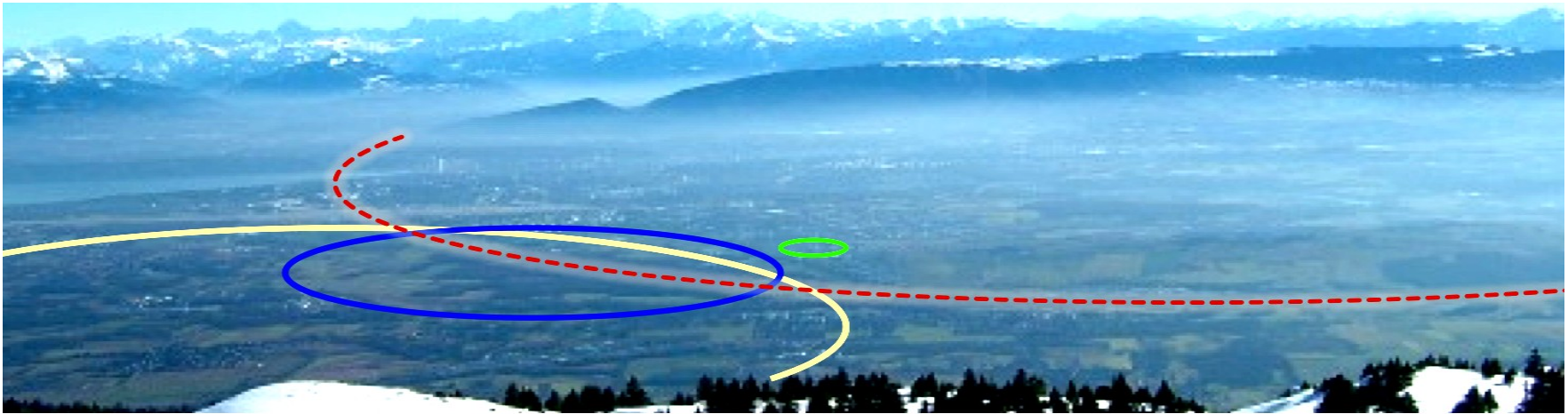
Advantages compared to pp collisions:

- QED initial state with known kinematics
- Controlled QCD radiation (final state)
- Well-defined quarks and gluon jets
- Smaller non-pQCD uncertainties (no PDFs, no QCD underlying events, etc.)
- Direct clean parton fragmentation and hadronization
- QCD physics in $\gamma\gamma$ collisions



CERN FCC-*ee* project

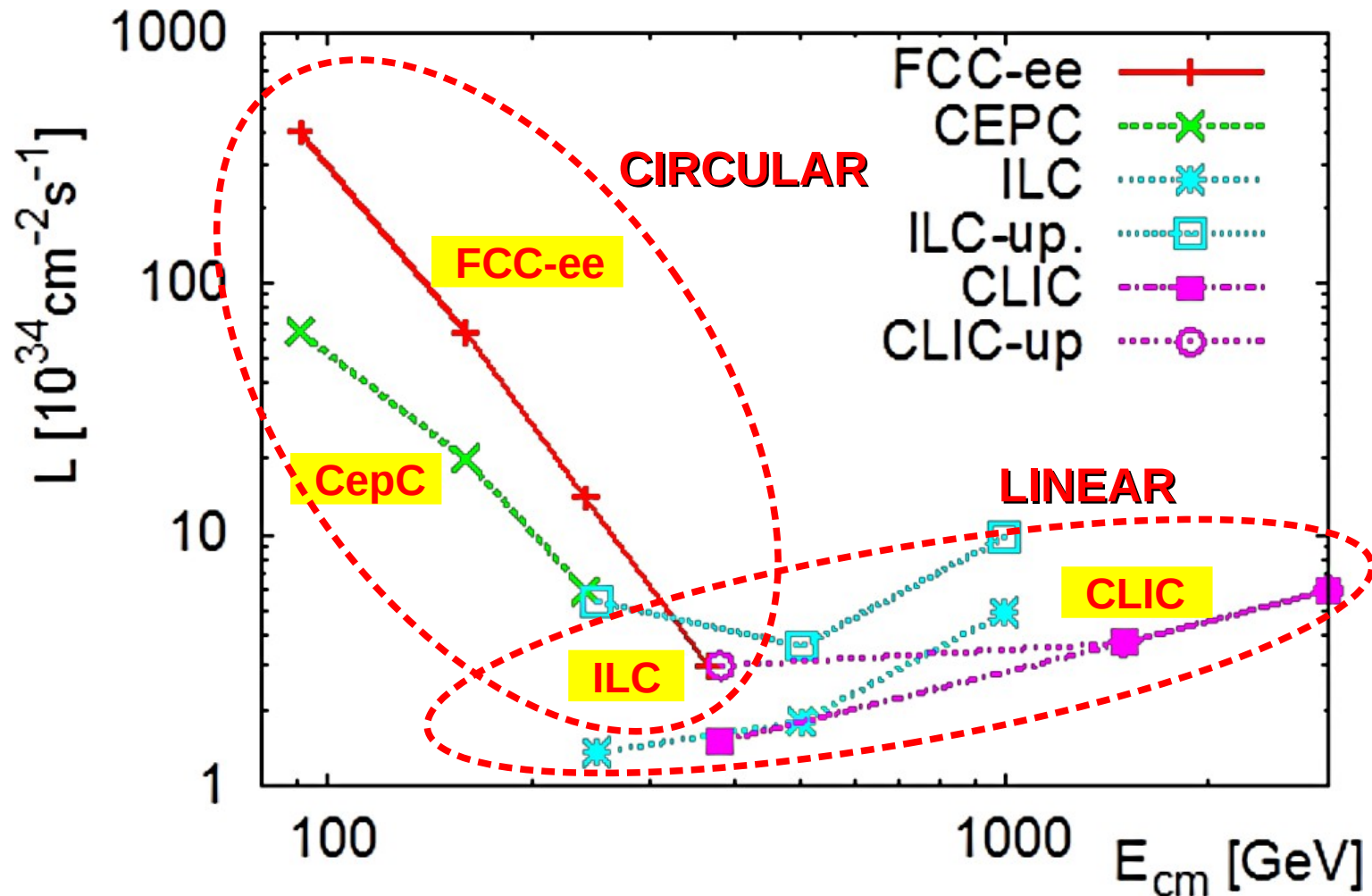
- e^+e^- operation before pp at $\sqrt{s} = 90, (125), 160, 240$ and 350 GeV



Working point	Z, years 1-2	Z, later	WW	HZ	$t\bar{t}$		(s-channel H)
\sqrt{s} (GeV)	88, 91, 94		157, 163	240	340-350	365	m_H
Lumi/IP ($10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$)	115	230	28	8.5	0.95	1.55	(30)
Lumi/year (ab^{-1} , 2 IP)	24	48	6	1.7	0.2	0.34	(7)
Physics Goal (ab^{-1})	150		10	5	0.2	1.5	(20)
Run time (year)	2	2	2	3	1	4	(3)
Number of events	5×10^{12} Z		10^8 WW	10^6 HZ + 25k WW \rightarrow H	$10^6 t\bar{t}$ +200k HZ +50k WW \rightarrow H		(6000)

- State-of-the-art detectors + exquisite control of the beam energy \rightarrow tiny systematic uncertainties (10^{-5})

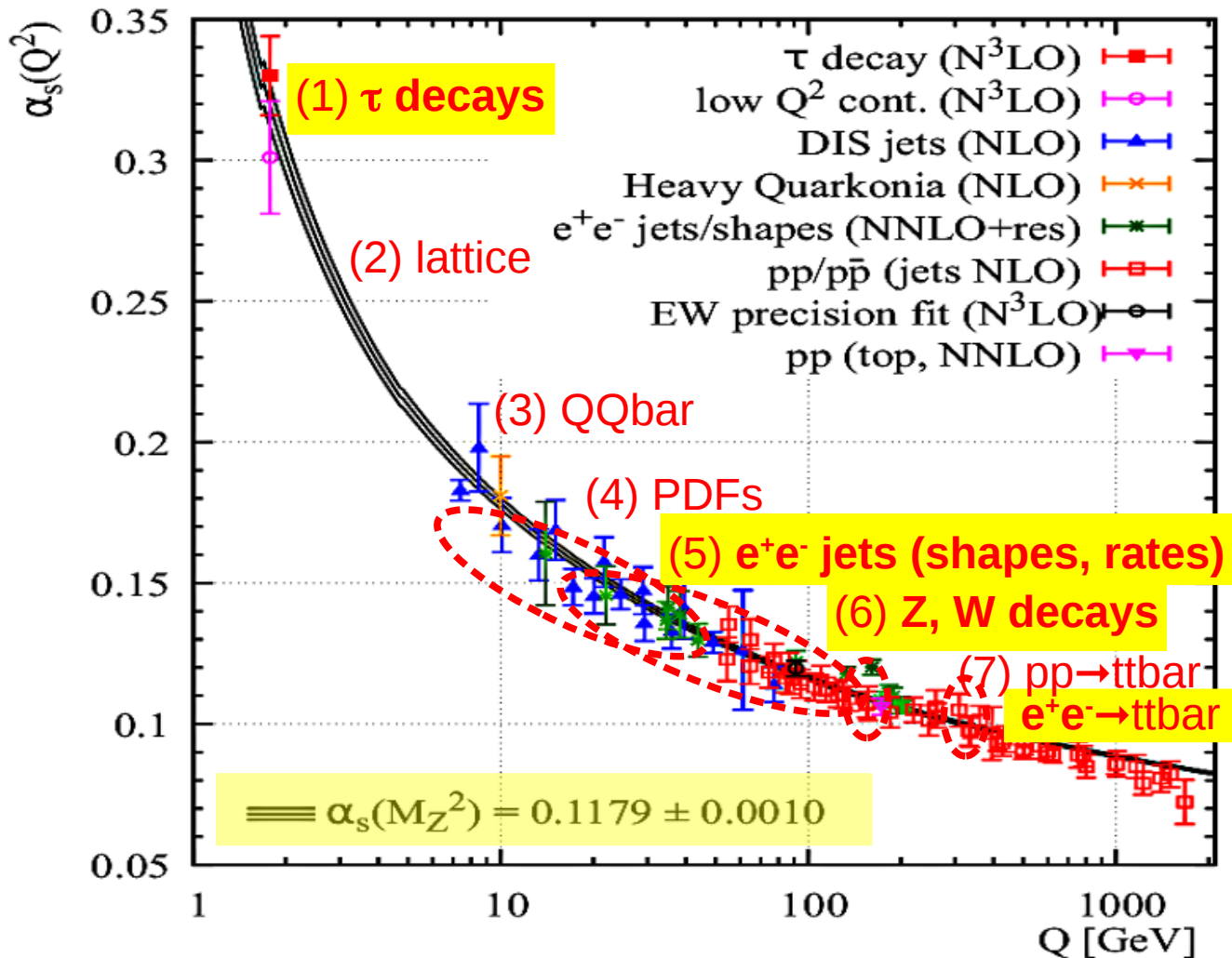
Future e^+e^- colliders under discussion



- FCC- ee features luminosities a few times larger than other machines over 90 - 300 GeV
- Negligible statistical uncertainty for $Z, W, \text{jets}, \dots, \tau$ data sets

QCD coupling α_s

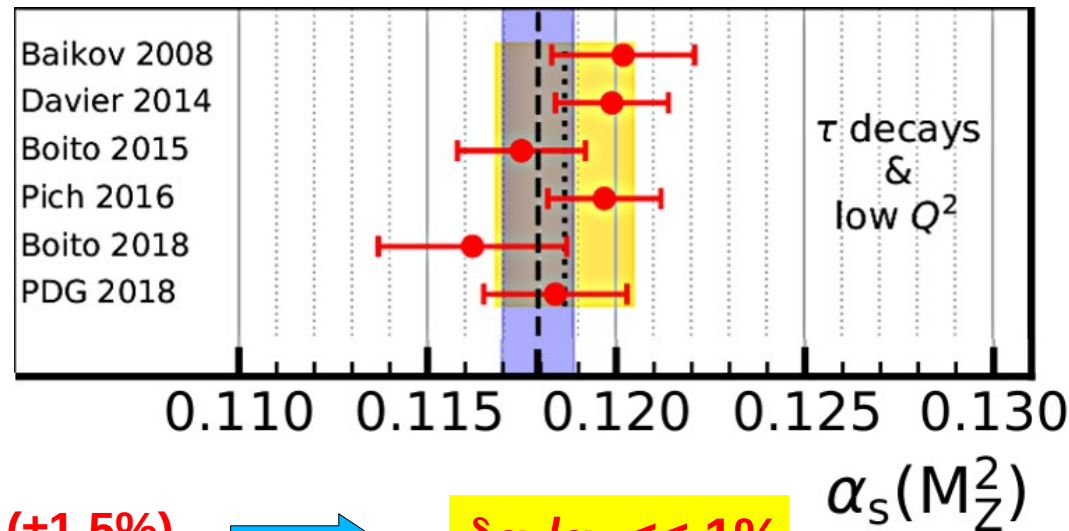
- Currently determined by comparing 7 experimental observables to pQCD NNLO or N³LO predictions, plus global average at the Z pole scale



α_s from hadronic τ -lepton decays

- Computed at N³LO: $R_\tau \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{hadrons})}{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau e^- \bar{\nu}_e)} = S_{\text{EW}} N_C (1 + \sum_{n=1}^4 c_n \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^n + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5) + \delta_{\text{np}})$
- Experimentally we have $R_{\tau, \text{exp}} = 3.4697 \pm 0.0080$ ($\pm 0.23\%$)

- Various pQCD approaches (Fixed Order Perturbation Theory - FOPT - vs Contour Improved Perturbation Theory - CIPT) and treatment of non-pQCD corrections yield different results



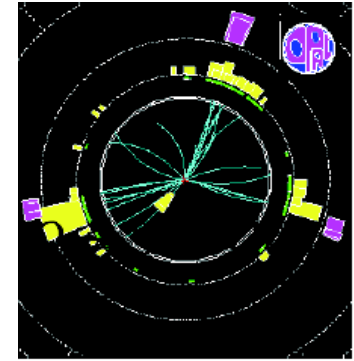
$$\alpha_s(m_z) = 0.1187 \pm 0.0018 \quad (\pm 1.5\%)$$



$$\delta\alpha_s/\alpha_s \ll 1\%$$

- What next?
 - Theory: better understanding of FOPT vs CIPT differences & need of N⁴LO
 - Better spectral functions needed (better precision)
 - Higher statistics: $\mathcal{O}(10^{11})$ from $Z \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ at FCC-ee(90)
 - Extract the τ width from the ultraprecise measurement of its lifetime

α_s from e^+e^- event shapes and jet rates



OPAL 3 jet event

- Computed at N^{2,3}LO+N(N)LL accuracy
- Experimental observables: Thrust, jet shapes, C-parameter, n-jet cross sections
- Results sensitive to non-pQCD e.g. hadronization accounted for via MCs or analytically

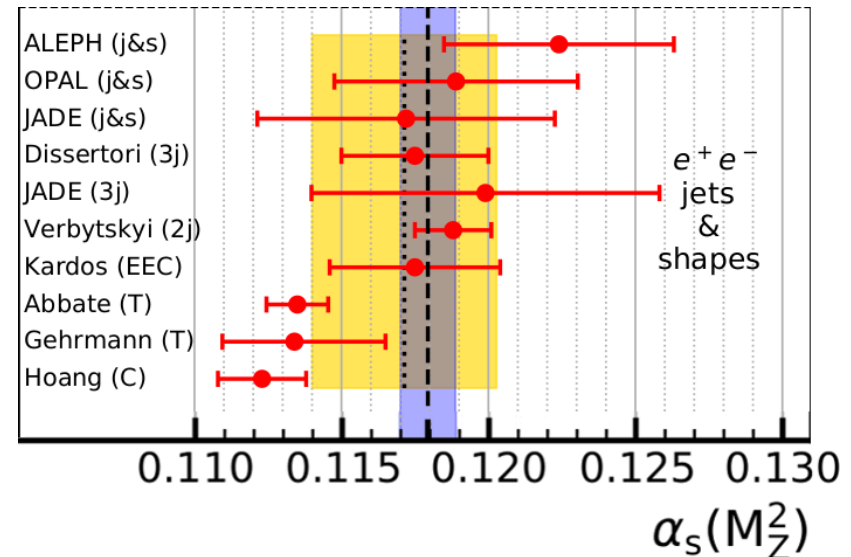
$$\tau = 1 - \max_{\hat{n}} \frac{\sum |\vec{p}_i \cdot \hat{n}|}{\sum |\vec{p}_i|}$$

$$C = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\sum_{i,j} |\vec{p}_i| |\vec{p}_j| \sin^2 \theta_{ij}}{(\sum_i |\vec{p}_i|)^2}$$

$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1171 \pm 0.027 \quad (\pm 2.6\%)$$



$$\delta\alpha_s/\alpha_s < 1\%$$



- What next?
 - FCC- e^+e^- : Lower \sqrt{s} (ISR) for shapes, higher \sqrt{s} for jet rates
 - Theory: Improved NN(N)LL resummed calculations for rates, hadronization for shapes

α_S from hadronic Z decays (FCC-ee)

- α_S extracted at N³LO from:
 - Combined fit of 3 Z pseudo observables
 - Full SM fit (with α_S free parameter)

➤ At FCC-ee:

- Huge Z pole statistics ($\times 10^5$ LEP)
- Exquisite systematic precision (stat. uncertainties much smaller)

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta R_Z &= 10^{-3}, & R_Z &= 20.7500 \pm 0.0010 \\ \Delta \Gamma_Z^{\text{tot}} &= 0.1 \text{ MeV}, & \Gamma_Z^{\text{tot}} &= 2495.2 \pm 0.1 \text{ MeV} \\ \Delta \sigma_Z^{\text{had}} &= 4.0 \text{ pb}, & \sigma_Z^{\text{had}} &= 41\,494 \pm 4 \text{ pb} \\ \hline \Delta m_Z &= 0.1 \text{ MeV}, & m_Z &= 91.18760 \pm 0.00001 \text{ GeV} \\ \Delta \alpha &= 3 \cdot 10^{-5}, & \Delta \alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(m_Z) &= 0.0275300 \pm 0.0000009 \end{aligned}$$

- Theory uncertainties reduced by a factor of 4 computing missing α_S^5 , α^3 , $\alpha\alpha_S^2$ and $\alpha^2\alpha_S$ terms
- 20 times times better precision than today: $\frac{\delta\alpha_S}{\alpha_S} \sim \pm 0.2\% \text{ (tot)}, \pm 0.1\% \text{ (exp)}$

- The W and Z hadronic widths :

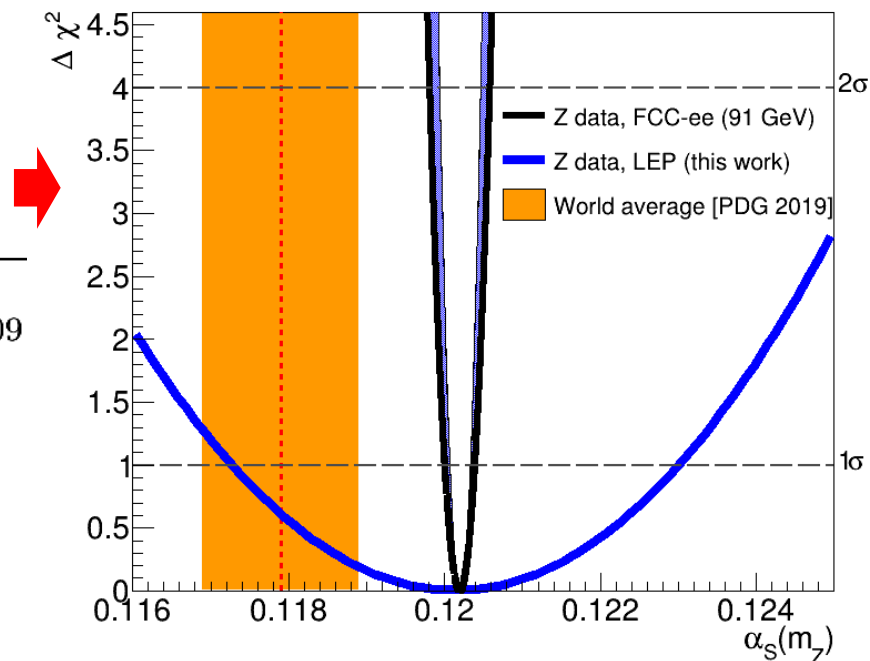
$$\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{had}}(Q) = \Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{Born}} \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(Q) \left(\frac{\alpha_S(Q)}{\pi} \right)^i + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^5) + \delta_{\text{EW}} + \delta_{\text{mix}} + \delta_{\text{np}} \right)$$

- The ratio of W, Z hadronic-to-leptonic widths :

$$R_{W,Z}(Q) = \frac{\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{had}}(Q)}{\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{lep}}(Q)} = R_{W,Z}^{\text{EW}} \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(Q) \left(\frac{\alpha_S(Q)}{\pi} \right)^i + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^5) + \delta_{\text{mix}} + \delta_{\text{np}} \right)$$

- In the Z boson case, the hadronic cross section at the resonance peak in e^+e^- :

$$\sigma_Z^{\text{had}} = \frac{12\pi}{m_Z} \cdot \frac{\Gamma_Z^{\text{lep}} \Gamma_Z^{\text{had}}}{(\Gamma_Z^{\text{tot}})^2} \quad \underline{2005.04545}$$



$$\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.12030 \pm 0.00014 \quad (\pm 0.1\%)$$

α_S from hadronic W decays (FCC-ee)

- α_S extracted from N³LO fit of combined Γ_W, R_W W pseudo observables:

- The W and Z hadronic widths :

$$\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{had}}(Q) = \Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{Born}} \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(Q) \left(\frac{\alpha_S(Q)}{\pi} \right)^i + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^5) + \delta_{\text{EW}} + \delta_{\text{mix}} + \delta_{\text{np}} \right)$$

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- **At FCC-ee:**

- Huge W pole statistics ($\times 10^4$ LEP-2)
- Exquisite systematic precision (stat. uncertainties much smaller)

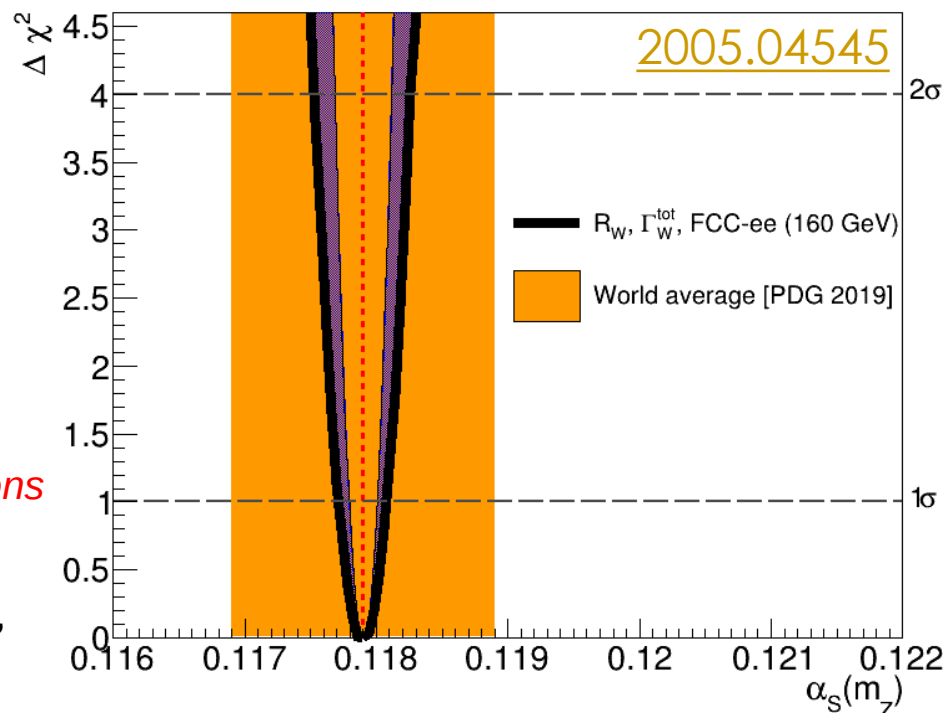
$$\Gamma_W^{\text{tot}} = 2088.0 \pm 1.2 \text{ MeV}$$

$$R_W = 2.08000 \pm 0.00008$$

$$m_W = 80.3800 \pm 0.0005 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|V_{cs}| = 0.97359 \pm 0.00010 \leftarrow \mathcal{O}(10^{12}) \text{ D mesons}$$

- Theory uncertainties reduced by a factor of 10 computing missing $\alpha_S^5, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, \alpha\alpha_S^2$ and $\alpha^2\alpha_S$ terms
- 150 times times better precision than today!



$$\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.11790 \pm 0.00023 \quad (\pm 0.2\%)$$

α_s from photon QCD structure function

➤ Computed at NNLO: $\int_0^1 dx F_2^\gamma(x, Q^2, P^2) = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \frac{1}{2\beta_0} \left\{ \frac{4\pi}{\alpha_s(Q^2)} c_{LO} + c_{NLO} + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{4\pi} c_{NNLO} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \right\}$

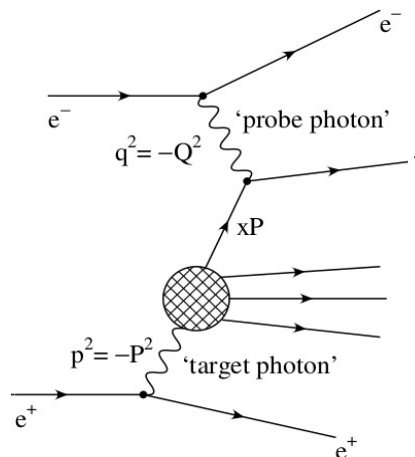
➤ Poor $F_2^\gamma(x, Q^2)$ experimental measurements

➤ NLO extraction with large experimental uncertainties

$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1198 \pm 0.0054$$

($\pm 4.5\%$)

[hep-ph/0205069](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0205069)



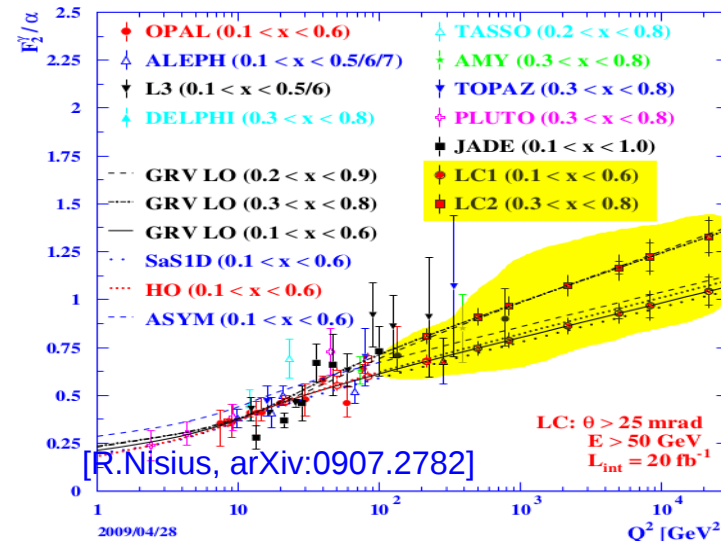
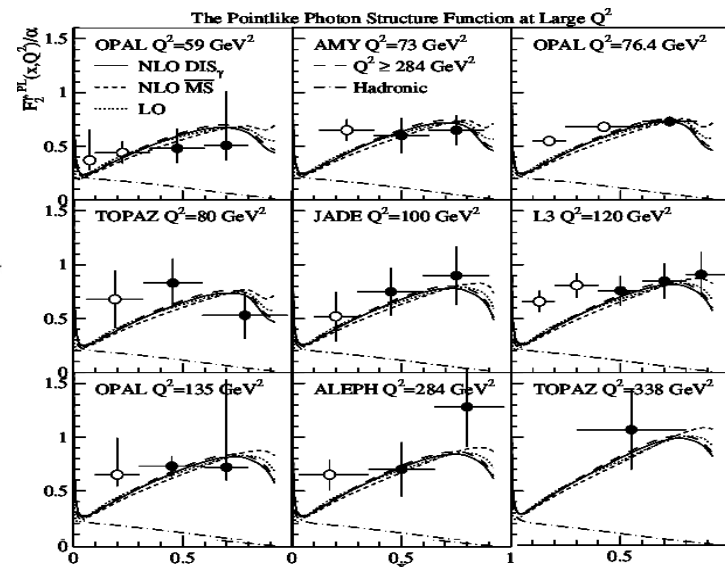
➤ Future prospects:

➤ Fit with NNLO F_2^γ evolution

➤ Better data

➤ Dedicated simulation studies (already exist at ILC)

➤ Huge $\gamma\gamma$ statistics at FCC- ee will lead to $\delta\alpha_s/\alpha_s < 1\%$

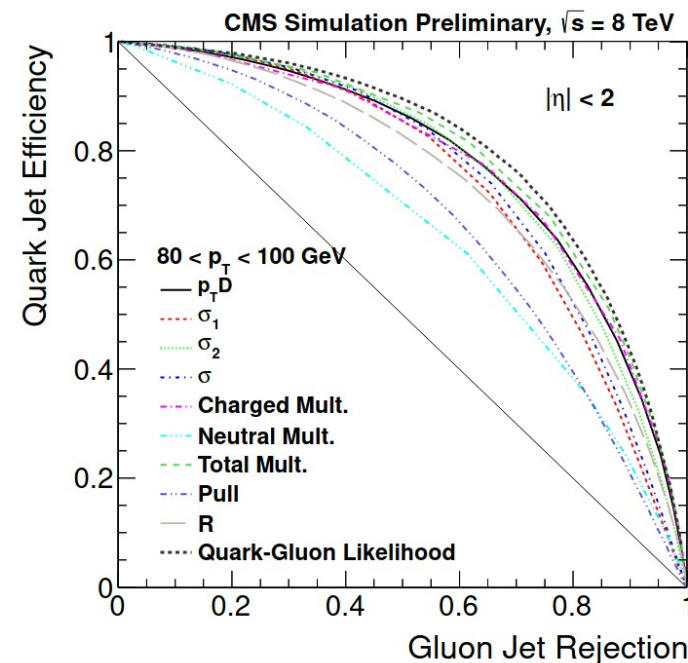
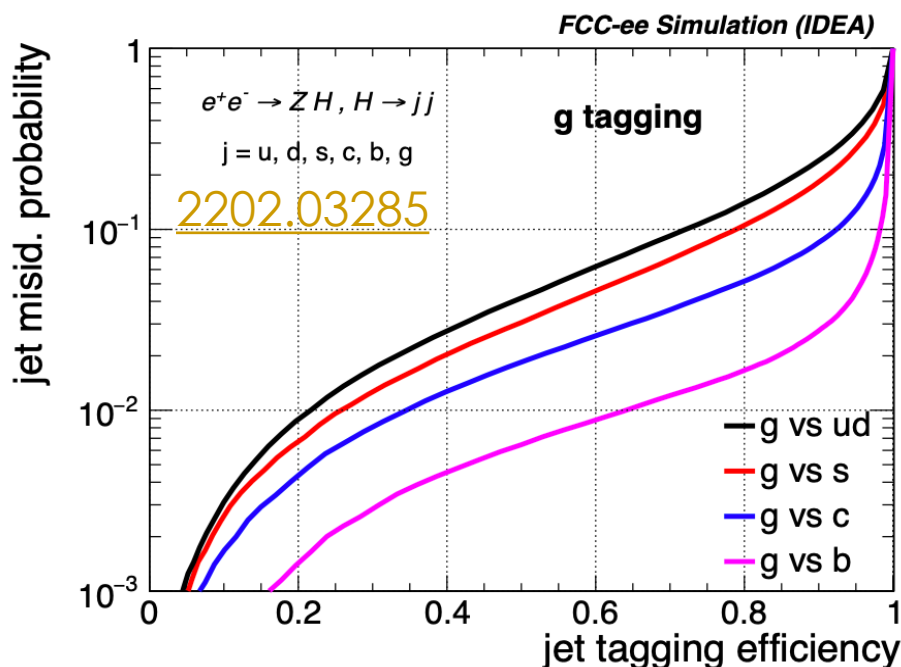


Quark-gluon discrimination

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- Exciting but challenging prospects in pp collisions
 - Enhance quark signal at hadron colliders
- Several handles exist to separate quark and gluons:
 - Gluons radiate more
 - Spin correlations in subjet location
 - p_T - weighted jet charge

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Machine Learning (ML) approaches have already found success!



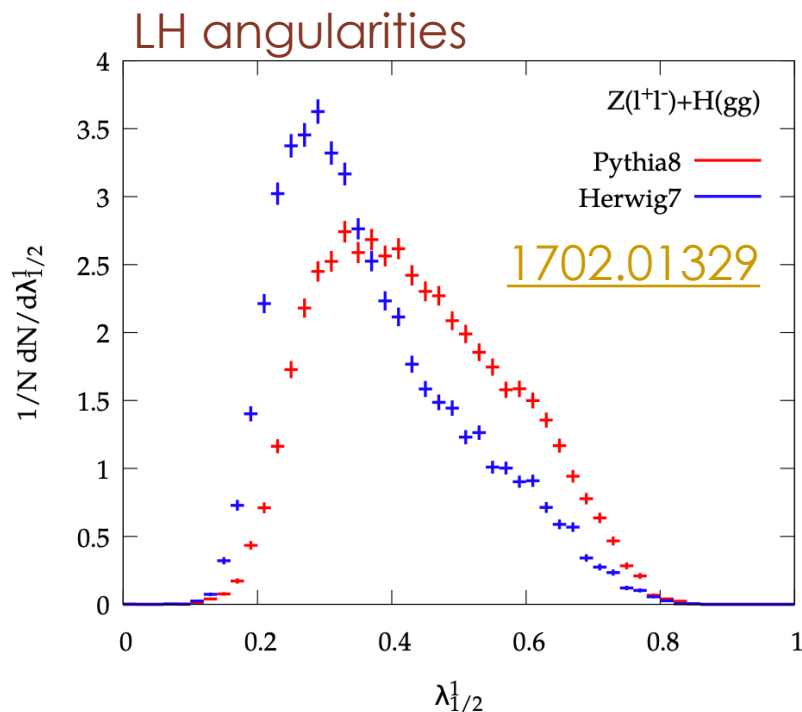
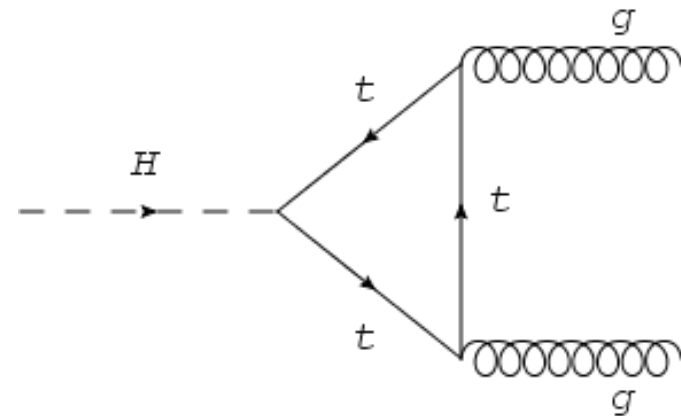
Rejection of ud jets is the most challenging, due to similar particle displacement and nature

High-precision gluon and quark jet studies

- Exploit FCC- ee $H(gg)$ as a pure gluon factory: $H \rightarrow gg$ (BR $\sim 8\%$ accurately known) provides 120000 extra clean digluon events
- Multiple handles to study gluon radiation and gluon-jet properties:
 - Gluon vs. quark via $H \rightarrow gg$ vs $Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$
 - Gluon vs. quark via $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}g$ vs $Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$
- Multiple high-precision analyses possible:
 - Access to light-quark Higgs Yukawa couplings
 - BSM: Improve q/g/Q discrimination tools
 - pQCD: High-precision QCD coupling
 - non-pQCD: Gluon fragmentation, colour reconnection

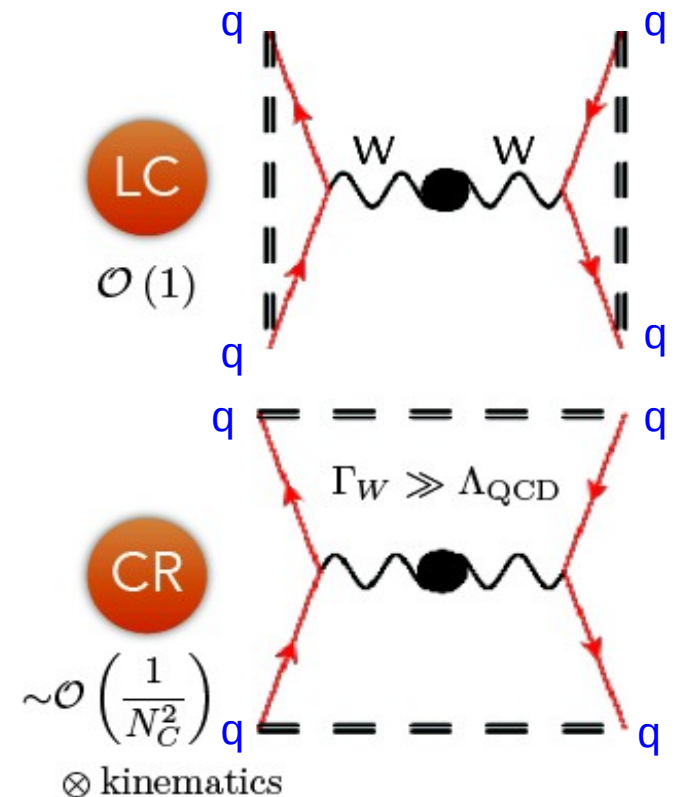


Improved MC tuning



Colour reconnection

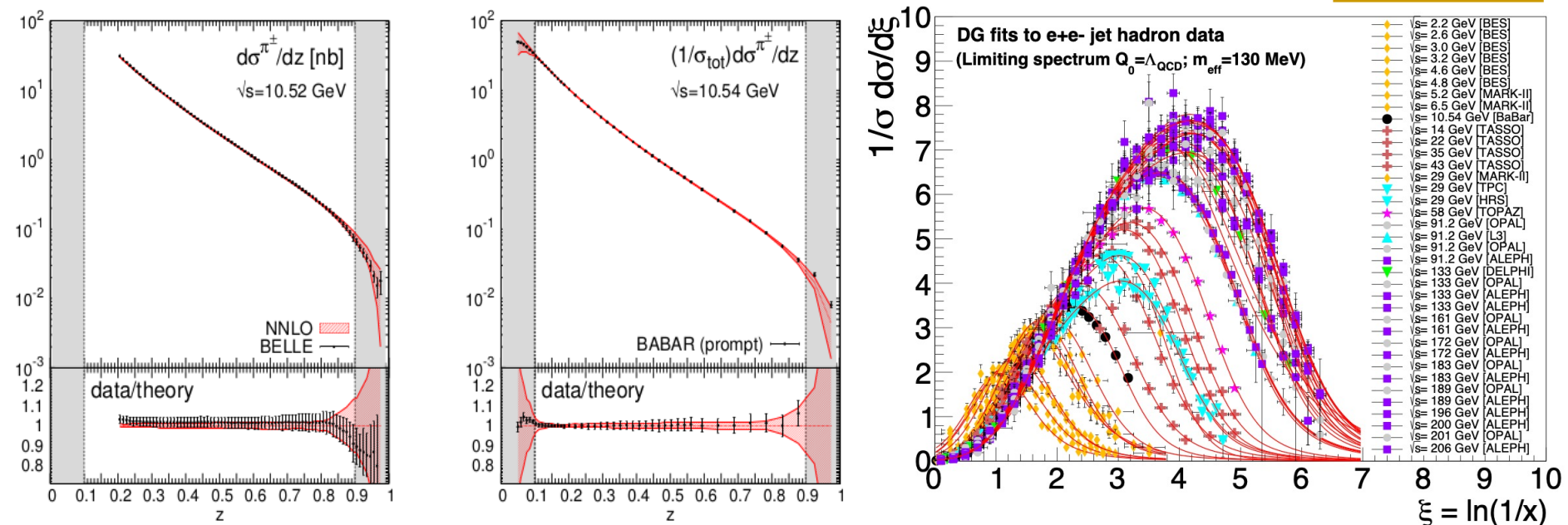
- Colour Reconnection (CR) of partons impacts final state kinematics e.g. shifted angular correlations, invariant mass shifts, etc.
- Exact dynamic poorly understood
- Source of uncertainty in m_W , m_{top} , anomalous Gauge Couplings extractions in multijet final-states
- CR impacts all FCC- ee multi-jet final states:
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow WW(4j), H(2j, 4j), t\bar{t}, \dots$
- Combined LEP $e^+e^- \rightarrow WW(4j)$ data best described with 49% CR, 2.2σ away from no-CR
- String-drag effect on W mass (hinted at LEP)
- Exploit huge W stats ($\times 10^4$ LEP) to measure m_W leptonically & hadronically and constrain CR



High-precision parton FFs

- Parton-to-hadron fragmentation functions evolution known known at NNLO at high- z and at NNLO*+NNLL at low- z

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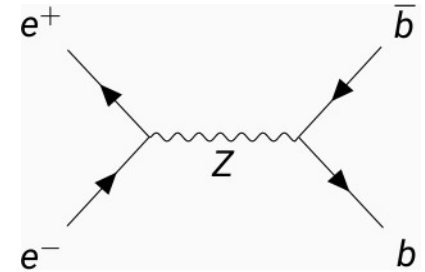


- FCC- ee (much broader z range) provides additional QCD coupling extractions, allowing for $\delta\alpha_s < 1\%$

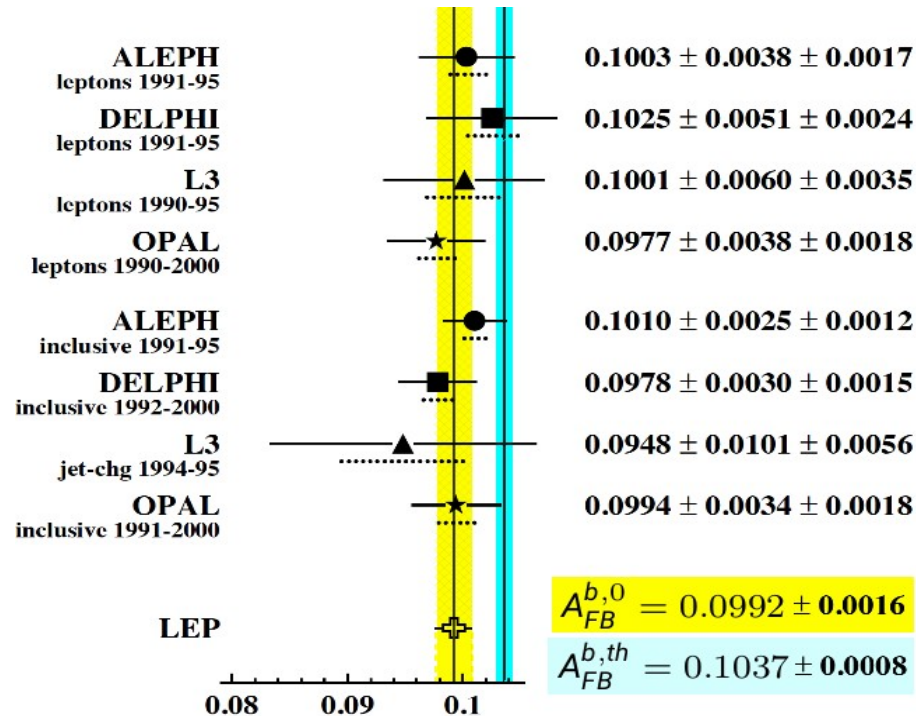
Method	Current $\delta\alpha_s(m_z^2)/\alpha_s(m_z^2)$ uncertainty (theory & experiment state-of-the-art)	Future $\delta\alpha_s(m_z^2)/\alpha_s(m_z^2)$ uncertainty (theory & experiment progress)
soft FFs	$1.8\%_{\text{th}} \oplus 0.7\%_{\text{exp}} \approx 2\%$ (NNLO* only (+NNLL), npQCD small)	$0.7\%_{\text{th}} \oplus 0.7\%_{\text{exp}} \approx 1\%$ (~ 2 yrs), $<1\%$ (FCC-ee) (NNLO+NNLL. More precise e^+e^- data: 90–350 GeV)
hard FFs	$1\%_{\text{th}} \oplus 5\%_{\text{exp}} \approx 5\%$ (NLO only. LEP data only)	$0.7\%_{\text{th}} \oplus 2\%_{\text{exp}} \approx 2\%$ (+B-factories), $<1\%$ (FCC-ee) (NNLO. More precise e^+e^- data)

QCD uncertainties on EWK observables

- With $\times 10^5$ more Z's than LEP, EWK observables at FCC- ee will be dominated by systematics (QCD)
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ forward-backward asymmetry at LEP
- Experimental EWPOs with the largest discrepancy wrt the SM: 2.8σ
- Total uncertainty: $\sim 1.6\%$
 - Statistical: 1.5% ($\sim 0.05\%$ at FCC- ee)
 - Systematics: 0.6% (QCD: 0.4% at FCC- ee)
- QCD effects on $A_{FB}^{0,b}$:
 - Gluon splitting
 - Smearing of b-jet/thrust axis
 - b- and c-quark radiation and fragmentation (B/D hadron decay models)



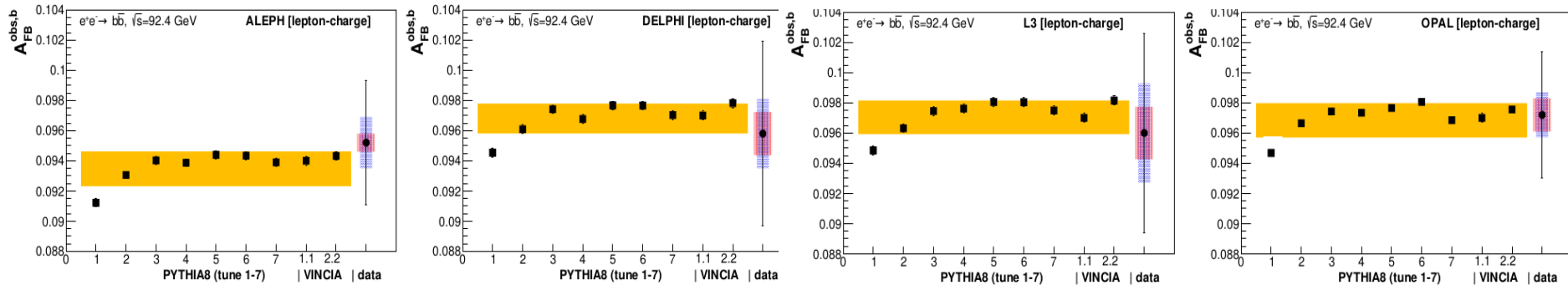
$$A_{FB}^b = \frac{N_F - N_B}{N_F + N_B} \quad A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_S} \propto \frac{-g_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu}}{i\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} \frac{n^\lambda Q^\rho}{n \cdot Q} T^{\mu\nu}}$$



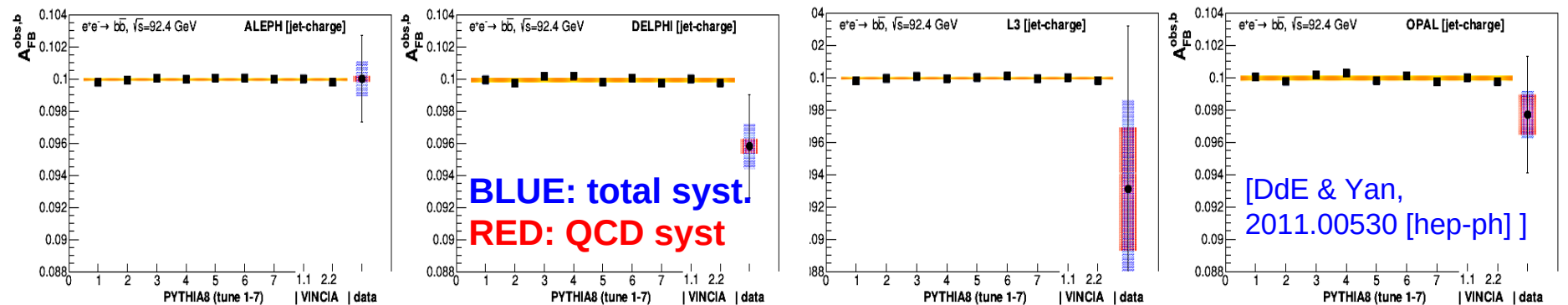
Reduced QCD uncertainties on A_{FB}

➤ QCD uncertainties recomputed from Pythia8.226 and VINCIA2.2

➤ $e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ A_{FB} asymmetry for lepton-based analyses:



➤ $e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ A_{FB} asymmetry for jet-charged-based analyses:

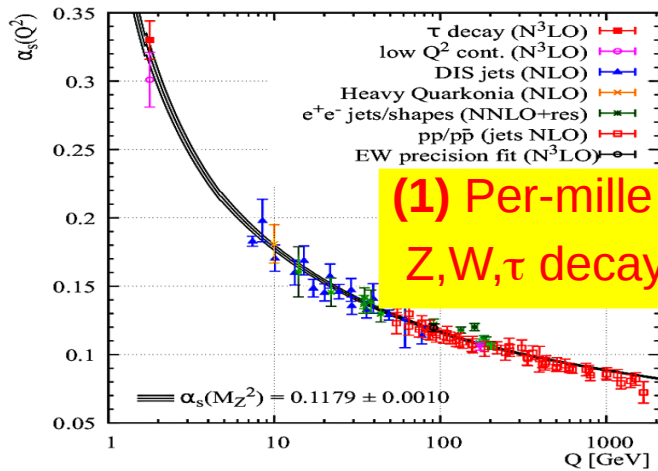


➤ 2020 vs 1998 PS + hadronization uncertainties halved: 0.7% (lepton-based) and $\sim 0.3\%$ (jet-charged-based analyses)

➤ FCC data needed to reduce PS & non-pQCD systematic uncertainties

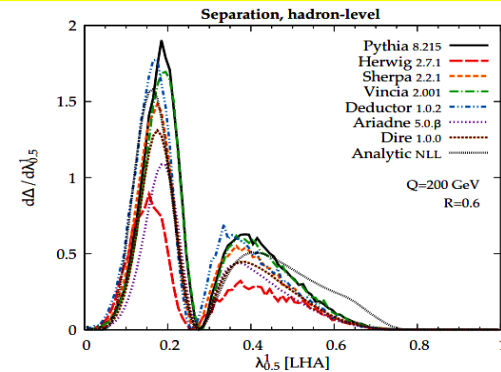
Summary & outlook

➤ The precision needed to fully exploit all future ee, pp, ep, eA, AA SM and BSM programs requires precise control of pQCD and non-pQCD physics

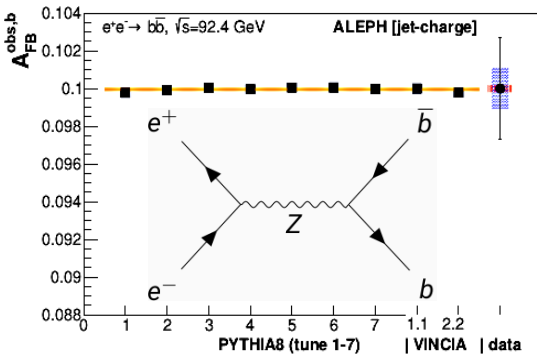


(1) Per-mille α_s via hadronic Z,W, τ decays, evt shapes...

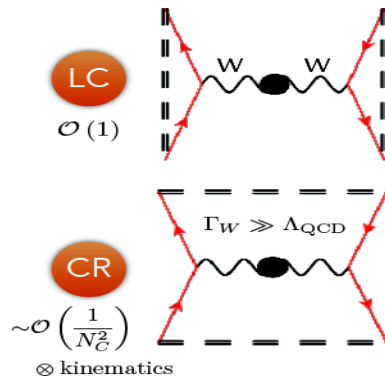
**(2) N^n LO+ N^n LL jet structure
Ultimate g/q/Q discrimination**



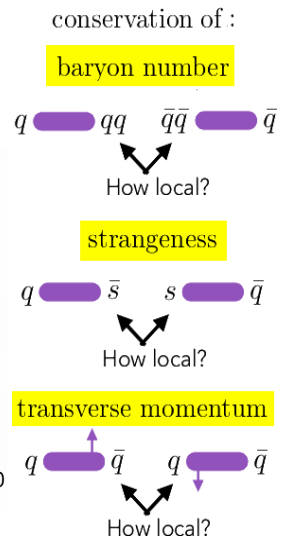
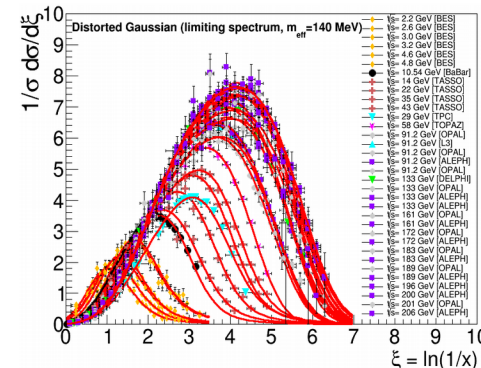
(3) Reduced PS+hadroniz. uncert. of EWPOs



(4) <<1% control of colour reconnection



(5) High-precision hadronization:

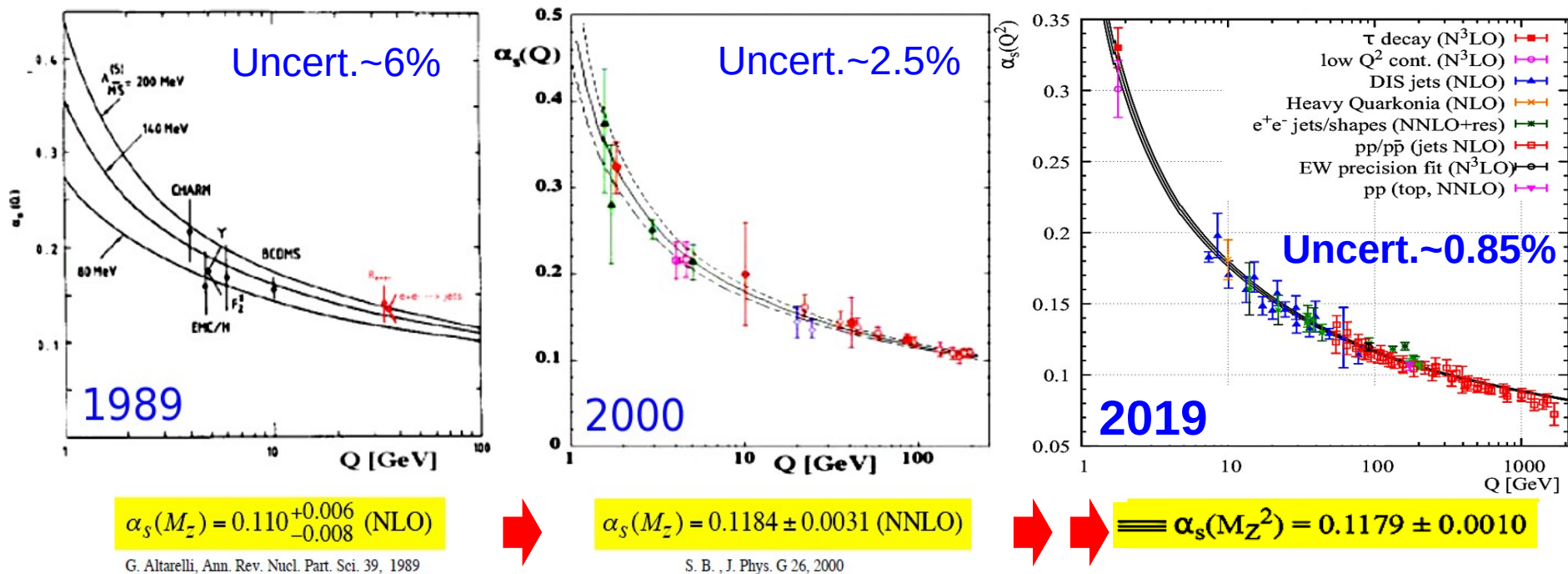


Backup Slides



QCD coupling α_s

- Determines strength of the strong interaction between quarks and gluons
- Determined at $Q = m_Z$, decreases as $\alpha_s \sim \ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)$ with $\Lambda \sim 0.2$ GeV



- Least precisely known of all interaction couplings!

- $\delta\alpha \sim 10^{-10} \ll \delta G_F \ll 10^{-7} \ll \delta G \sim 10^{-5} \ll \delta\alpha_s \sim 10^{-3}$

Importance of the QCD coupling α_s

- Impacts all QCD cross sections and decays!

Process	σ (pb)	$\delta\alpha_s$ (%)	PDF + α_s (%)	Scale(%)
ggH	49.87	± 3.7	-6.2 +7.4	-2.61 + 0.32
ttH	0.611	± 3.0	± 8.9	-9.3 + 5.9

Channel	M_H [GeV]	$\delta\alpha_s$ (%)	Δm_b	Δm_c
H \rightarrow c \bar{c}	126	± 7.1	$\pm 0.1\%$	$\pm 2.3\%$
H \rightarrow gg	126	± 4.1	$\pm 0.1\%$	$\pm 0\%$

Msbar mass error budget (from threshold scan)

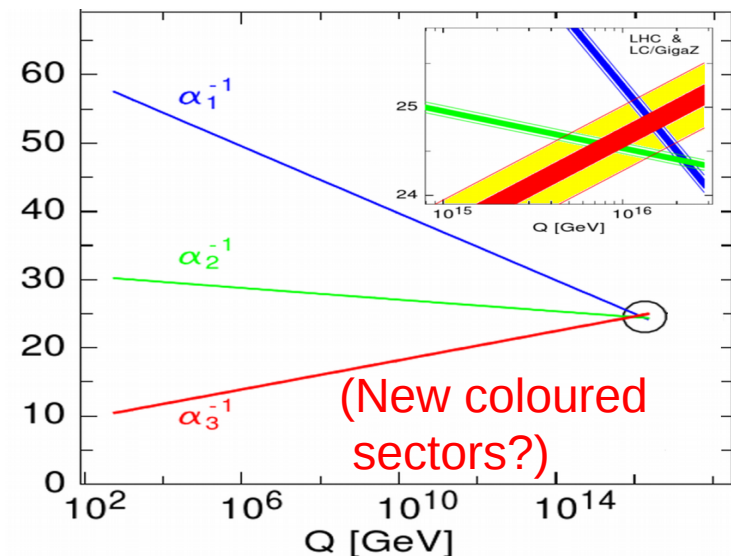
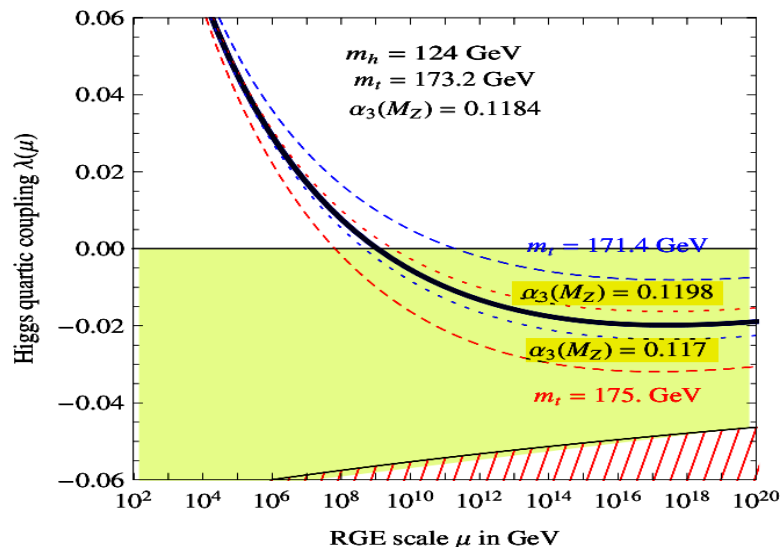
$(\delta M_t^{\text{SD-low})}_{\text{exp}}$	$(\delta M_t^{\text{SD-low})}_{\text{theo}}$	$(\delta \bar{m}_t(\bar{m}_t))_{\text{conversion}}$	$(\delta \bar{m}_t(\bar{m}_t))^{\alpha_s}$
40 MeV	50 MeV	7 – 23 MeV	70 MeV

\Rightarrow improvement in α_s crucial $\delta\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.001$

Quantity	FCC-ee	future param.unc.	Main source
Γ_Z [MeV]	0.1	0.1	$\delta\alpha_s$
R_b [10^{-5}]	6	< 1	$\delta\alpha_s$
R_ℓ [10^{-3}]	1	1.3	$\delta\alpha_s$

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- Impacts physics approaching Planck scale: EW vacuum stability, GUT, etc.



α_S from hadronic W/Z decays

➤ W and Z observables theoretically known at N³LO accuracy:

- The W and Z hadronic widths :

$$\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{had}}(Q) = \Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{Born}} \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(Q) \left(\frac{\alpha_S(Q)}{\pi} \right)^i + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^5) + \delta_{\text{EW}} + \delta_{\text{mix}} + \delta_{\text{np}} \right)$$

- The ratio of W, Z hadronic-to-leptonic widths :

$$R_{W,Z}(Q) = \frac{\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{had}}(Q)}{\Gamma_{W,Z}^{\text{lep}}(Q)} = R_{W,Z}^{\text{EW}} \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i(Q) \left(\frac{\alpha_S(Q)}{\pi} \right)^i + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^5) + \delta_{\text{mix}} + \delta_{\text{np}} \right)$$

- In the Z boson case, the hadronic cross section at the resonance peak in e^+e^- :

$$\sigma_Z^{\text{had}} = \frac{12\pi}{m_Z} \cdot \frac{\Gamma_Z^e \Gamma_Z^{\text{had}}}{(\Gamma_Z^{\text{tot}})^2}$$

Theory unc. (α^2, α^3 included for Z):

±0.015-0.03% (Z)
±0.015-0.04% (W)

Param. unc. ($m_{W,Z}, \alpha, V_{cs,ud}$):

±0.01-0.03% (Z)
±1.1-1.7% (W)

➤ Measured at LEP with ±0.1-0.3% (Z), ±0.9-2% (W) exp. unc.

	theory			experiment		
	previous	new (this work)	change	previous [6]	new [20, 21]	change
Γ_Z^{tot} (MeV)	2494.2 ± 0.8 _{th}	2495.2 ± 0.6 _{par} ± 0.4 _{th}	+0.04%	2495.2 ± 2.3	2495.5 ± 2.3	+0.012%
R _Z	20.733 ± 0.007 _{th}	20.750 ± 0.006 _{par} ± 0.006 _{th}	+0.08%	20.767 ± 0.025	20.7666 ± 0.0247	-0.040%
σ_Z^{had} (pb)	41 490 ± 6 _{th}	41 494 ± 5 _{par} ± 6 _{th}	+0.01%	41 540 ± 37	41 480.2 ± 32.5	-0.144%

Recent update of LEP luminosity bias(*) change the Z values by few permil

W boson observables	GFITTER 2.2 (NNLO)	this work (N ³ LO)		experiment
		(exp. CKM)	(CKM unit.)	
Γ_W^{had} (MeV)	-	1440.3 ± 23.9 _{par} ± 0.2 _{th}	1410.2 ± 0.8 _{par} ± 0.2 _{th}	1405 ± 29
Γ_W^{tot} (MeV)	2091.8 ± 1.0 _{par}	2117.9 ± 23.9 _{par} ± 0.7 _{th}	2087.9 ± 1.0 _{par} ± 0.7 _{th}	2085 ± 42
R _W	-	2.1256 ± 0.0353 _{par} ± 0.0008 _{th}	2.0812 ± 0.0007 _{par} ± 0.0008 _{th}	2.069 ± 0.019

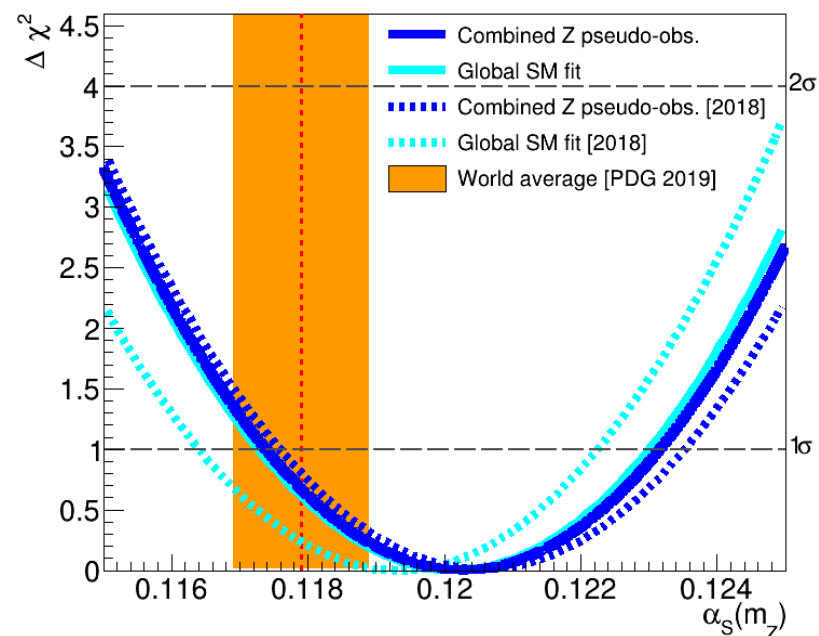
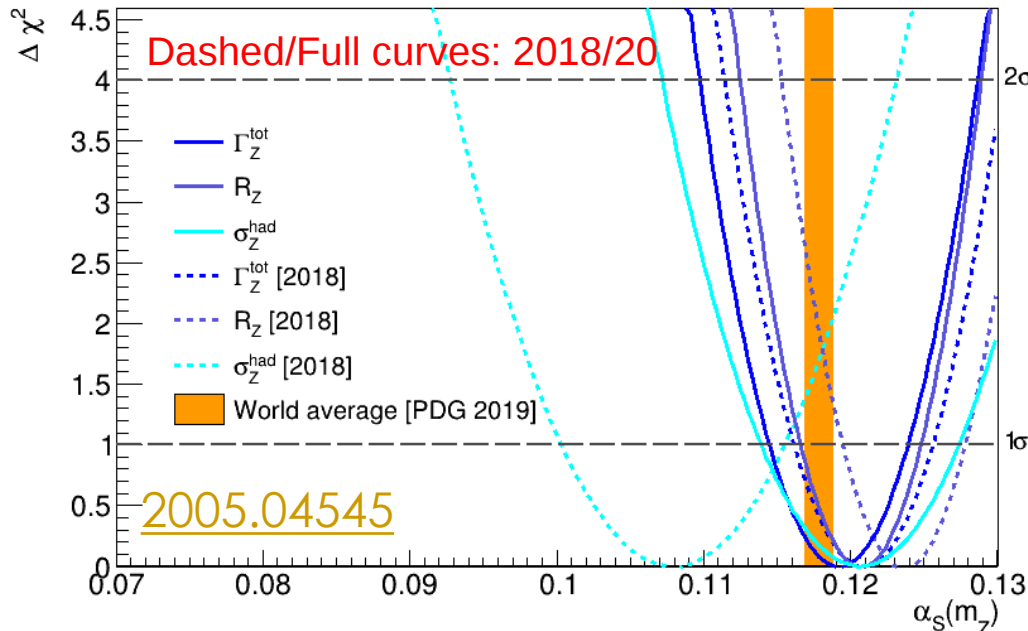
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α_S from hadronic Z decays (today)

Z boson observable	$\alpha_S(m_Z)$ extraction	exp.	uncertainties	
			param.	theor.
Γ_Z^{tot}	0.1192 ± 0.0047	± 0.0046	± 0.0005	± 0.0008
R_Z	0.1207 ± 0.0041	± 0.0041	± 0.0001	± 0.0009
σ_Z^{had}	0.1206 ± 0.0068	± 0.0067	± 0.0004	± 0.0012
All combined	0.1203 ± 0.0029	± 0.0029	± 0.0002	± 0.0008
Global SM fit	0.1202 ± 0.0028	± 0.0028	± 0.0002	± 0.0008

- α_S extracted at N³LO from:
 - Combined fit of 3 Z pseudo observables
 - Full SM fit (with α_S free parameter)



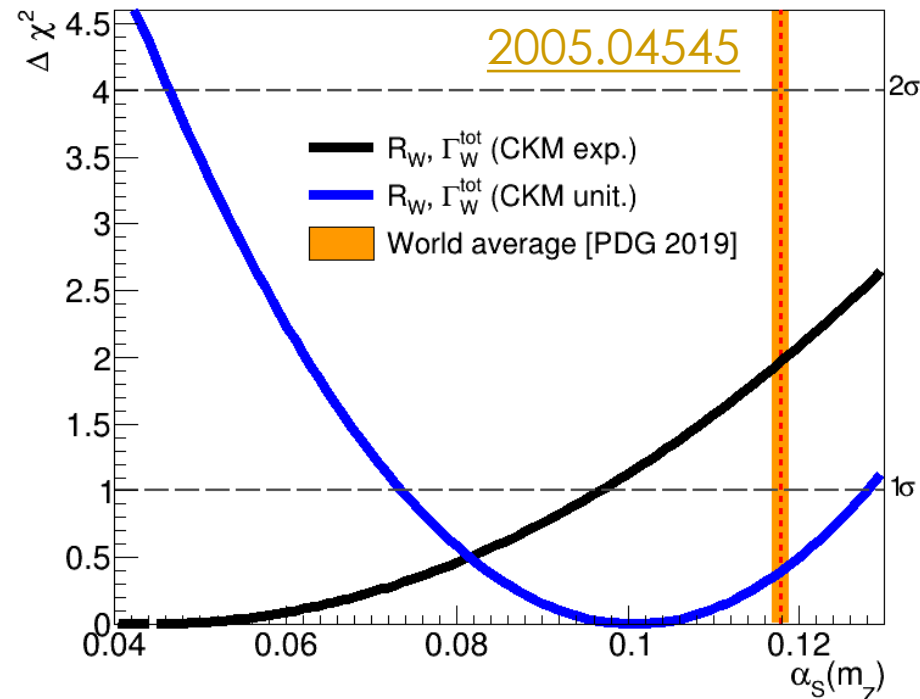
- LEP lumi-bias updates lead to better agreement among Γ_Z , R_Z and σ_Z^{had} extraction: $\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.1203 \pm 0.0028$ ($\pm 2.3\%$)
- Unc. updates lead to a better agreement with full fit: $\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.1202 \pm 0.0028$

α_s from hadronic W decays (today)

- QCD coupling extracted from new N³LO combined fit of Γ_W and R_W :

W boson observables	$\alpha_s(m_Z)$	uncertainties		
	extraction	exp.	param.	theor.
$\Gamma_W^{\text{tot}}, R_W$ (exp. CKM)	0.044 ± 0.052	± 0.024	± 0.047	(± 0.0014)
$\Gamma_W^{\text{tot}}, R_W$ (CKM unit.)	0.101 ± 0.027	± 0.027	(± 0.0002)	(± 0.0016)
$\Gamma_W^{\text{tot}}, R_W$ (FCC-ee, CKM unit.)	0.11790 ± 0.00023	± 0.00012	± 0.00004	± 0.00019

- Large propagated parametric uncertainties from poor V_{cs} ($\pm 2\%$)
- Imposing CKM unitary: large experimental uncertainties from Γ_W and R_W (0.9-2%)
- Propagated theory uncertainties (1.5%)
- Very imprecise extraction! QCD coupling constant extracted with **27% precision**

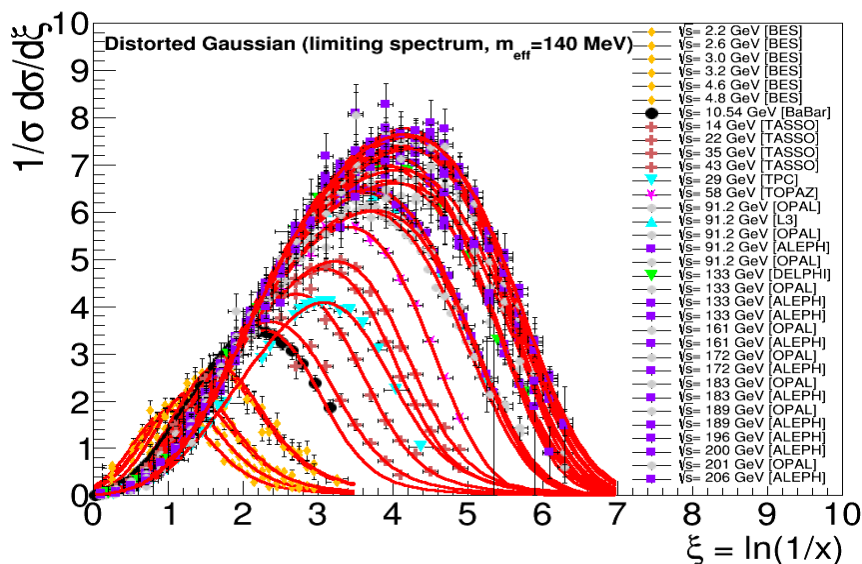


$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.101 \pm 0.027 \quad (\pm 27\%)$$

α_s from jet fragmentation

➤ Soft parton-to-hadron FFS:

1505.02624 – NNLO*+NNLL



Combined fit of the jet-energy evolution of the FF moments (peak, width, multiplicity, etc.) with α_s as single free parameters

$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1205 \pm 0.0022$ ($\pm 2\%$)

(full NNLO corrections missing)

➤ Hard parton-to-hadron FFS (NLO):

$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1176 \pm 0.0055$ ($\pm 4.7\%$)

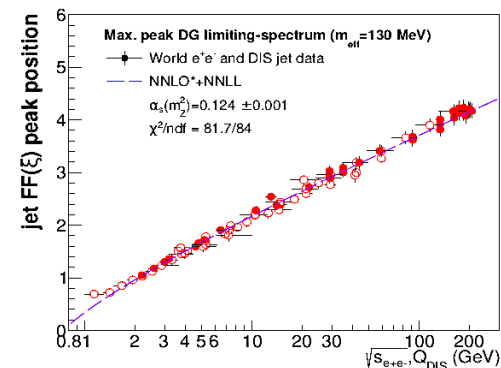
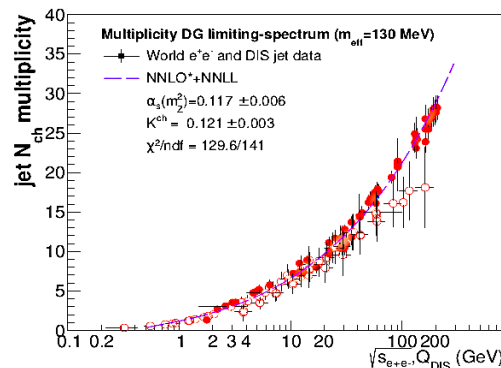
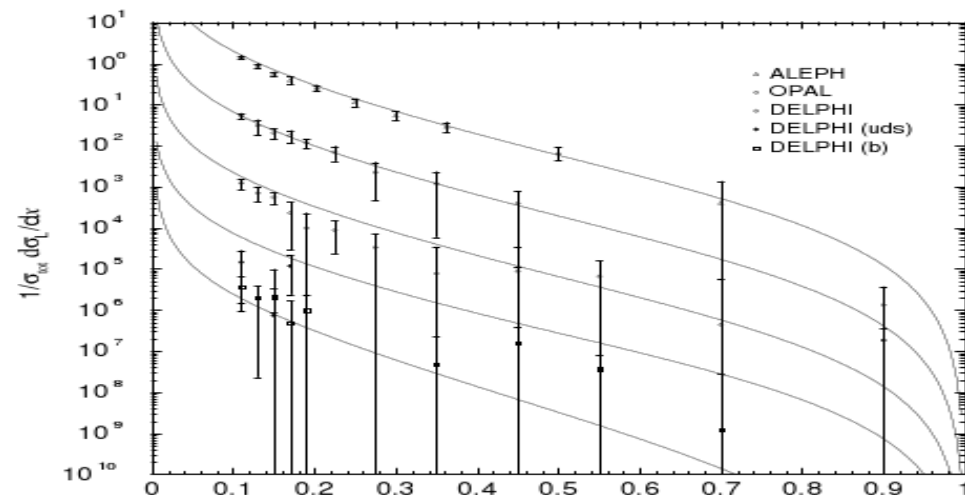


Figure 3: Energy evolution of the charged-hadron multiplicity (left) and of the FF peak position (right) measured in e^+e^- and DIS data fitted to the NNLO*+NNLL predictions. The obtained K^{ch} normalization constant, individual NNLO* $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ values, and the goodness-of-fit per degree-of-freedom χ^2/ndf .

Jet substructure

$$\lambda_{\beta}^{\kappa} = \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} z_i^{\kappa} \theta_i^{\beta},$$

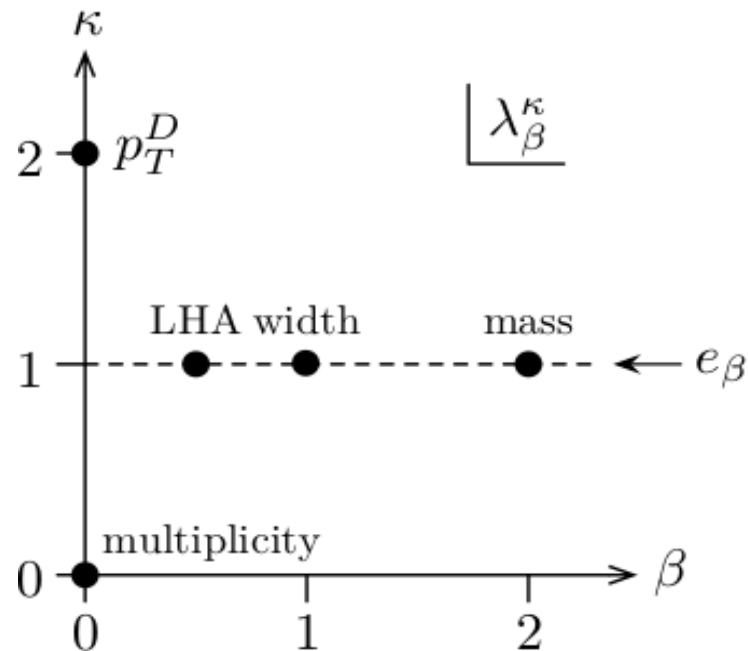
(normalized $E^n \times \theta^n$ products)

- Need for state-of art jet substructure studies based on angularities

- Variables of jet constituents: multiplicity, LHA, width/broadening, mass/thrust, C-parameter, ...

- $k=1$: IRC-safe computable ($N^n\text{LO} + N^n\text{LL}$) via SCET (but uncertainties from non-pQCD effects)

(larger energy weight)

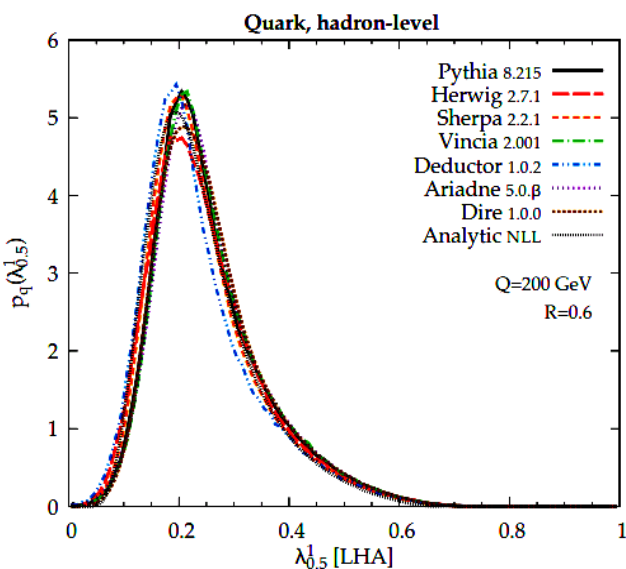


[Larkoski, Salam, Thaler, 13]

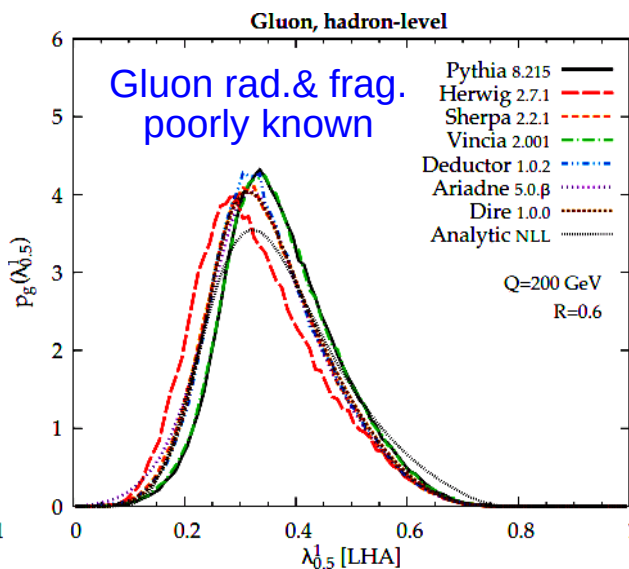
[Larkoski, Thaler, Waalewijn, 14]

Showering differences in MC generators

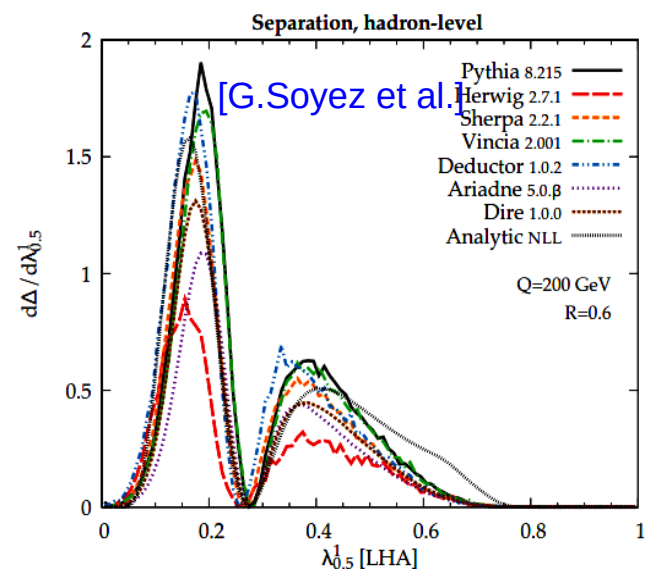
- Les Houches Angularity (LHA) is angularity with $k = 1$ and $\beta = 0.5$
- Not directly measured at LEP
- MC parton showers differ on gluon (less on quark) radiation patterns



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow u\bar{u}$$



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow H \rightarrow gg$$



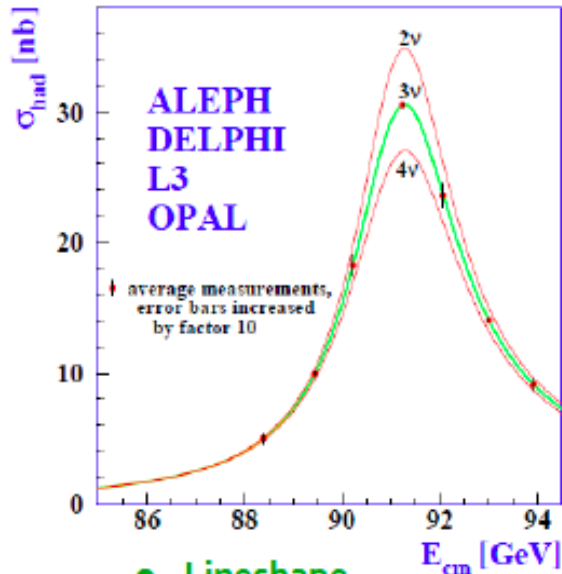
u-quark vs gluon
discrimination
power

Ultra-precise W,Z and top physics at FCC-ee

$\sqrt{s}=91$ GeV, 10^{12} Z's

$\sqrt{s}=161$ GeV, 10^8 W's

$\sqrt{s}=350$ GeV, 10^6 tops



- **Lineshape**

- ➔ **Exquisite E_{beam} (unique!)**

- ➔ m_Z, Γ_Z to 10 keV (stat.)

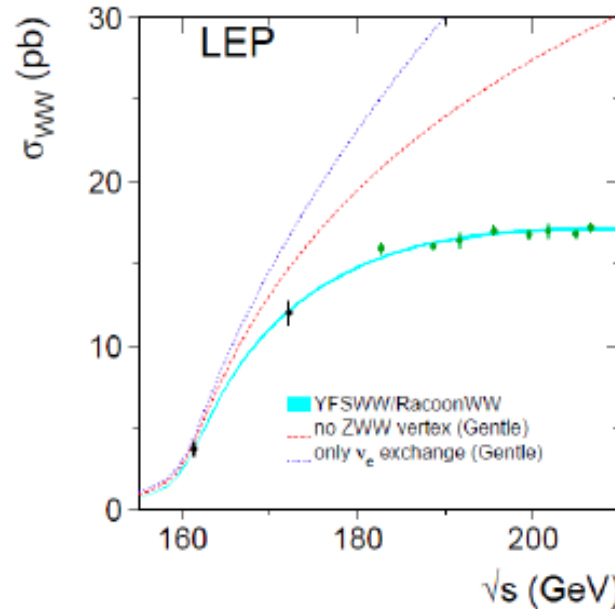
- **Asymmetries** 100 keV (syst.)

- ➔ $\sin^2\theta_W$ to 5×10^{-6}

- **Branching ratios, R_W, R_b**

- ➔ $\alpha_5(m_Z)$ to 0.0002

- **Predict m_{top}, m_W in SM**



- **Threshold scan**

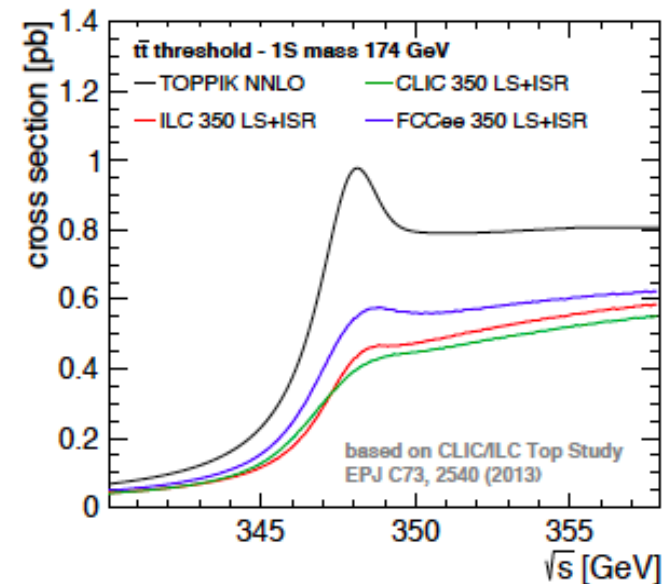
- ➔ m_W to 500 keV

- **Branching ratios R_W, R_{had}**

- ➔ $\alpha_5(m_W)$ to 0.0002

- **Radiative returns $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma Z$ ($Z \rightarrow \nu\nu, \mu^+\mu^-$)**

- ➔ N_ν to 0.001



- **Threshold scan + 4D fit**

- ➔ m_{top} to 10 MeV (stat.)

- ➔ 40 MeV (th.)

- ➔ λ_{top} to 13%

- ➔ EWK couplings to 1–10%

➤ Mostly thanks to the incredibly huge statistics available!

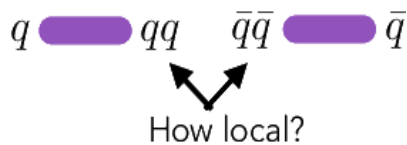
➤ Threshold scans with $\delta E_{\text{cm}} \sim 0.1, 0.2, 2, 4$ MeV (Z, W, H and top-quark)

Detailed hadronization studies

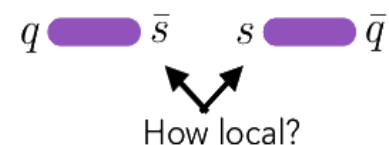
- High-precision low- p_T PID hadrons in e^+e^- required for detailed studies:
 - Baryon & strangeness production
 - Colour string dynamics
 - Final-state correlations (spin: Bose-Einstein, Fermi-Dirac; momenta, etc.)
 - Bound state formation: Onia, multi-quark states, etc.

conservation of :

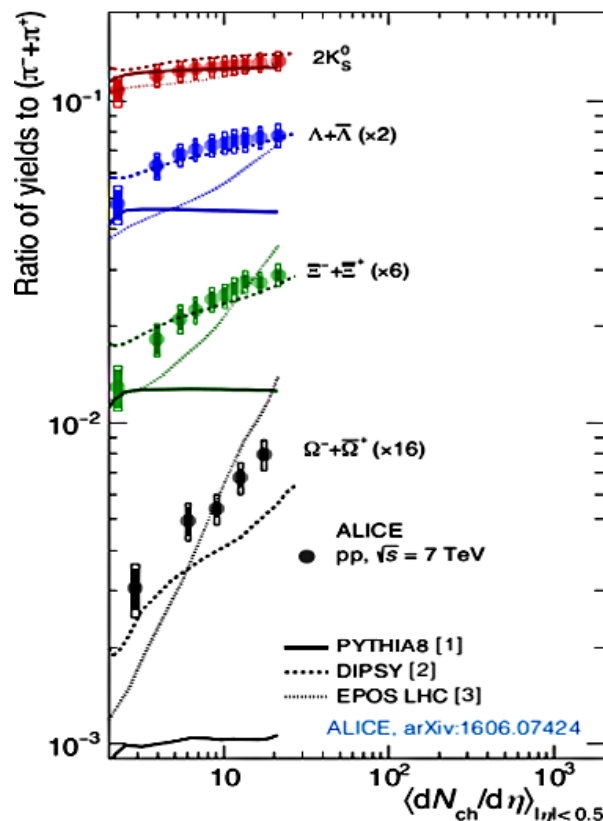
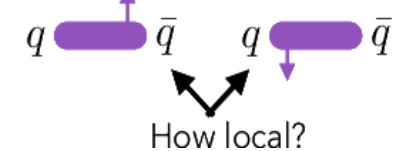
baryon number



strangeness



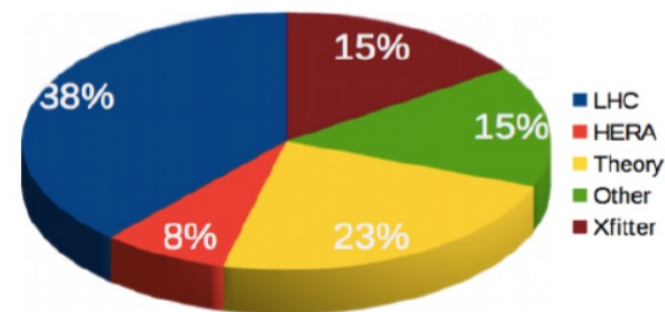
transverse momentum



- Understand breakdown of universality of parton hadronization with system size observed at the LHC
- Baseline vacuum e^+e^- : studies for high density QCD in small and large systems
- Also impact e.g. ultra-high energy cosmic MCs

The xFitter Project

- The [xFitter](#) project (former HERAFitter) is a **unique open-source QCD fit framework**
- [GitLab](#) repository (open access to download for everyone)
- This code allows users to:
 - **extract PDFs** from a large variety of data
 - assess the **impact** of **new data on PDFs**
 - check the **consistency** of experimental data
 - test different **theoretical assumptions**
- Several active developers between experimentalists and theorists
- More than [100 publications](#) obtained using xFitter since the beginning of the project
- List of recent analyses by the xFitter Developers' Team:



MORE IN PREPARATION!

Phys.Rev.D 104 (2021) 5, 056019,
arXiv:2105.11306

[QCD analysis of pion fragmentation functions in the xFitter framework](#)

Phys.Rev.D 102 (2020) 1, 014040,
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[Parton Distribution Functions of the Charged Pion Within The xFitter Framework](#)

Pion Fragmentation Functions

[PRD 104 \(2021\) 5 056019](#)

- To perform the extraction of **pion fragmentation functions** (FFs) from single inclusive electron-positron annihilation (SIA) + BELLE13/20 data
- SIA $e^+e^- \xrightarrow{\gamma^*, Z} \pi^\pm X$ data allow to separate Δq and $\Delta \bar{q}$
- **Parametrization form:**
$$D_i^{\pi^\pm}(z, Q_0) = \frac{\mathcal{N}_i z^{\alpha_i} (1-z)^{\beta_i} [1 + \gamma_i (1-z)^{\delta_i}]}{B[2+\alpha_i, \beta_i+1] + \gamma_i B[2+\alpha_i, \beta_i+\delta_i+1]}$$
- We assume isospin symmetry $D_u^{\pi^+} = D_{\bar{d}}^{\pi^-}$ and $D_{\bar{u}}^{\pi^+} = D_d^{\pi^-}$
- We assume the charge conjugate $D_i^{\pi^+} = D_i^{\pi^-}$ for all the flavour component
- We fit the flavour combinations $i = u^+, d^+, s^+, c^+, b^+$ and g
- We parametrise FFs at a starting scale of $Q_0^2 = 5 \text{ GeV}^2$
- **19 free parameters in total**
- Fitted distributions: $\frac{d\sigma^h}{dz}$, $\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}} \frac{d\sigma^h}{dp_h}$, $\frac{s}{\beta} \frac{d\sigma^h}{dz}$, $\frac{1}{\beta\sigma_{\text{tot}}} \frac{d\sigma^h}{dz}$, ... ($z = 2E_h/\sqrt{s}$)

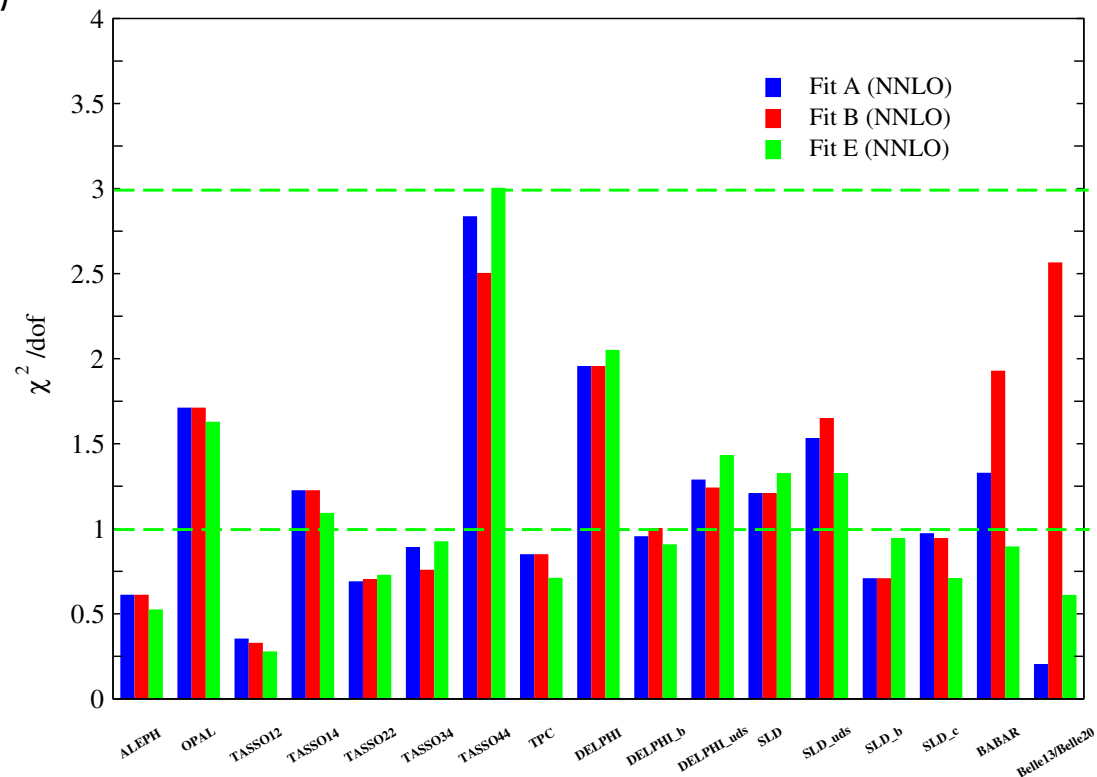
Pion Fragmentation Functions

- Several fits ran:
 - **Fit A** focuses on the impact of BELLE13 data (no BELLE20 data)
 - **Fit B** focuses on the impact of BELLE20 data (no BELLE13 data)
 - **Fit C** focuses on the impact of BELLE20 data without BaBar set (no BELLE13 data)
 - **Fit D** focuses on the impact of low-z BELLE20 data (No BELLE13 and BaBar data) – $z > 0.2$
 - **Fit E** focuses on the impact of low-z BELLE20 and BaBar data (no BELLE 13 data) – $z > 0.2$ (BELLE20) and $z > 0.1$ (BaBar)

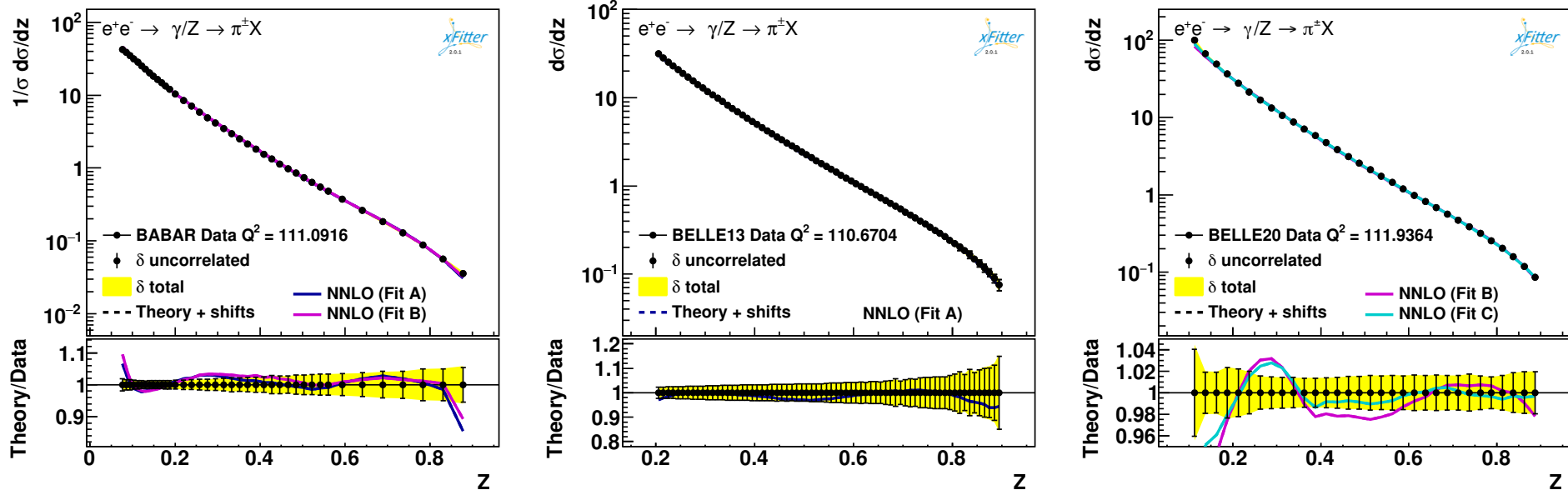
- The inclusion of higher-order QCD corrections noticeably improves the quality of our fits

- Fits performed with enhanced tolerance $T = \sqrt{\Delta\chi^2} = 20$

- FFS NLO and NNLO uncertainty bands overlap → perturbative uncertainties are under control (and reasonable choice of T)

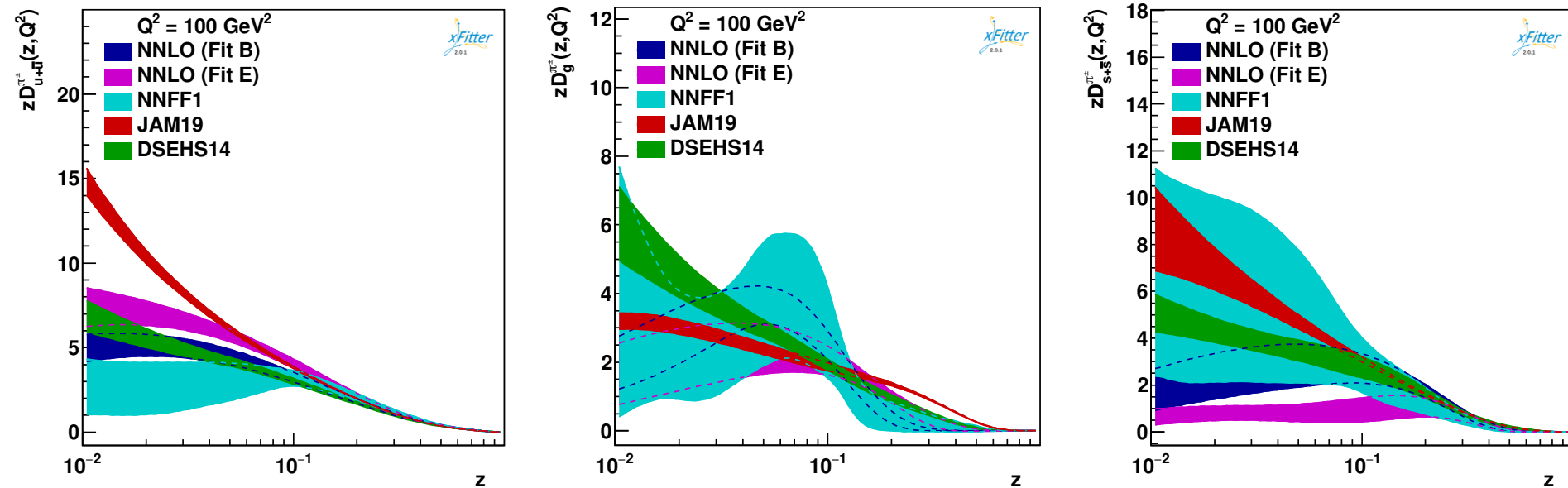


Pion Fragmentation Functions



- Theoretical predictions entirely consistent with the experimental data – partly due to larger uncertainties (BELLE13)
- Fits yield a **good description of the data with the exception of the low- z region** (BELLE20 and BaBar)
- **BELLE and BaBar** data sets appear to pull the fit in **opposite directions** - χ^2 (Fit B) for BELLE20 is 82/32 vs χ^2 (Fit C) for BELLE20 is 32/32
- The effect of excluding low- z data is dramatic - $\chi^2/\text{dof} \sim 1.2$ (similar cuts applied in JAM19)

Pion Fragmentation Functions



- Comparison with NNLO NNFF1 and NLO JAM19 and DSEHS14
- **Generally compatible with NNFF1 and DSEHS14 at larger z** , but they differ at low- z (more pronounced for Fit E)
- The **gluon** is generally **compatible with NNFF1** (larger uncertainties)
- FFs generally have a different behaviour as compared to JAM19 – they have much steeper slope at low- z for quarks, with the gluon lying above our curves for intermediate- to larger- z