

Comprehensive Paper: [Accettura, C. et al. Towards a muon collider. Eur. Phys. J. C 83, 864 \(2023\).](#)

Detectors for Muon Collider

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UK Muon Collider

Three Challenges

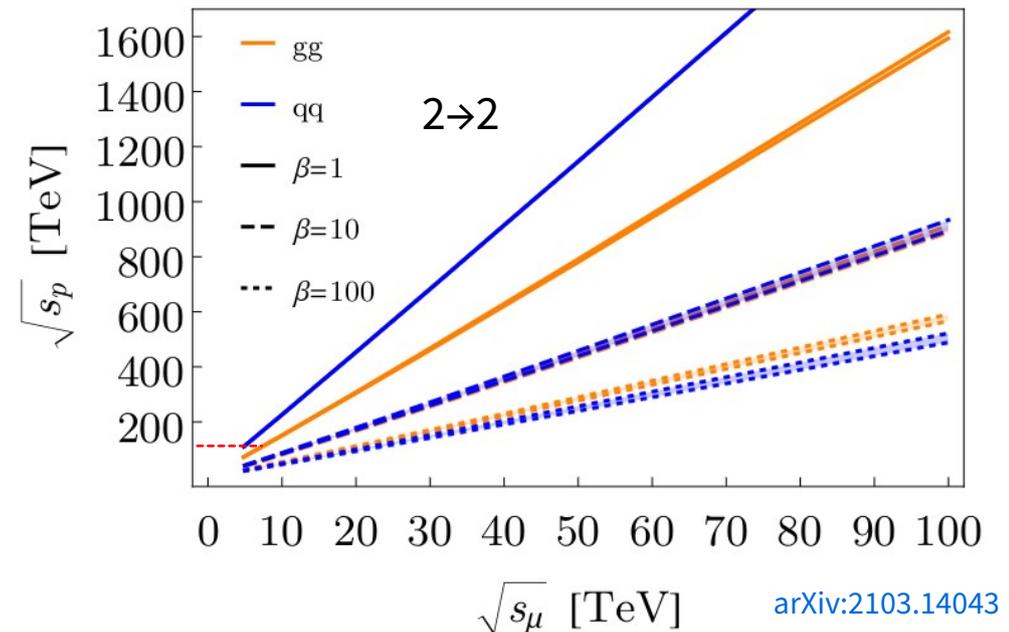
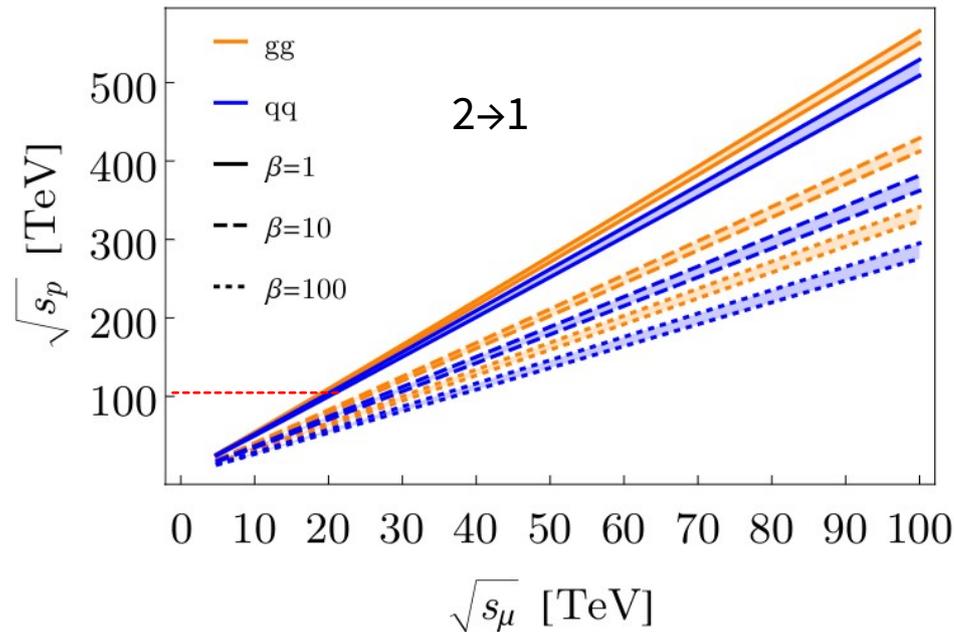
The Physics

Will a Muon Collider satisfy the physics goals?

- Precision Higgs couplings
- BSM at higher energies

Direct Searches

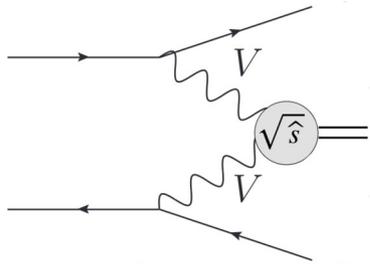
Muons are elementary = full beam energy used in collision



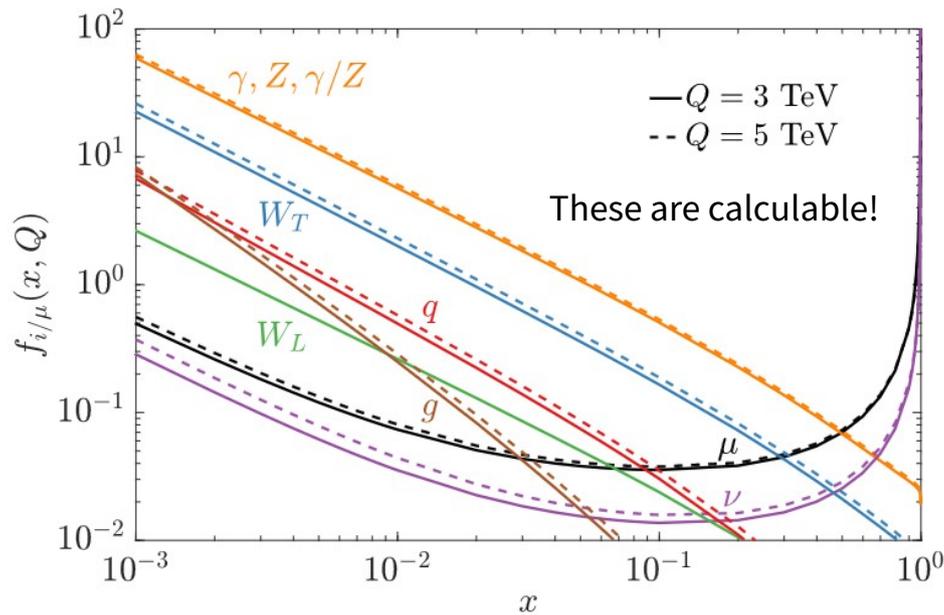
[arXiv:2103.14043](https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.14043)

100 TeV pp \approx 10-20 TeV $\mu\mu$

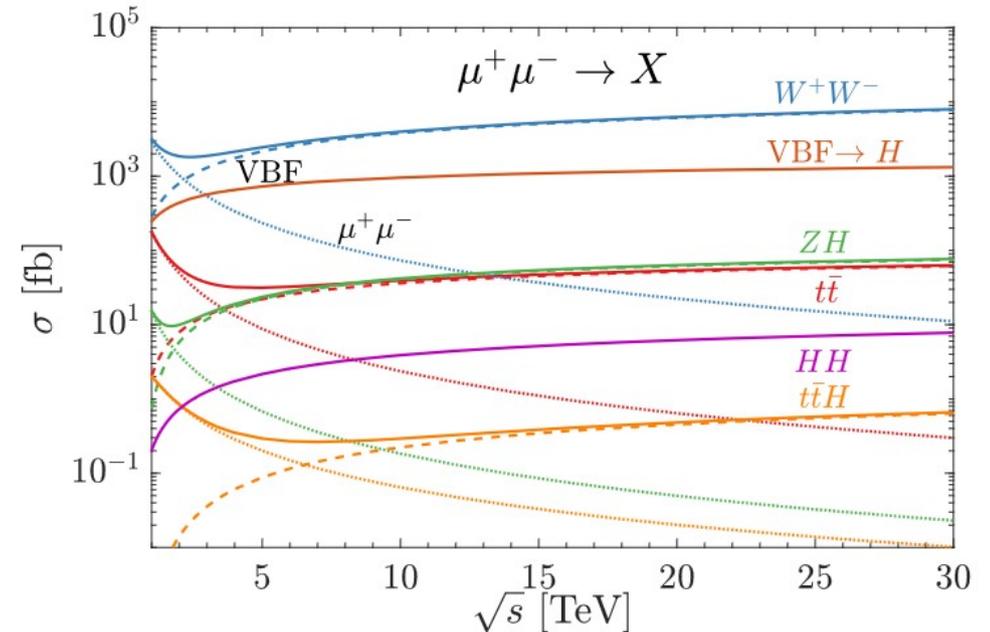
Vector Boson Fusion ($x \ll 1$)



Concept of **EW PDFs** useful for parametrizing productions.



Standard Model (background) cross-sections.
VBF (solid) dominates over annihilation (dashed).



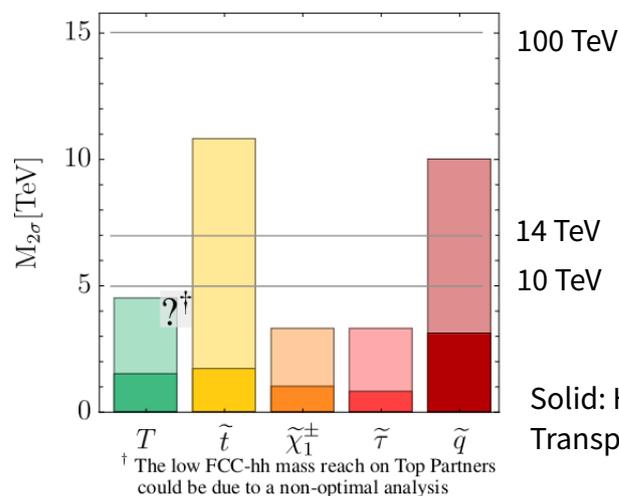
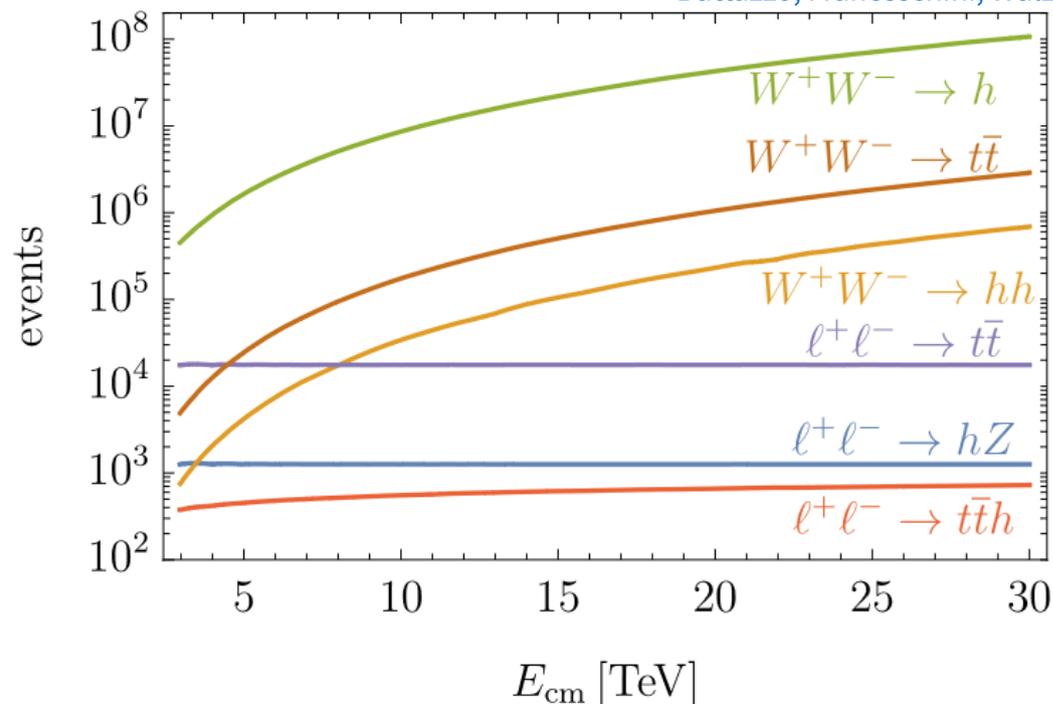
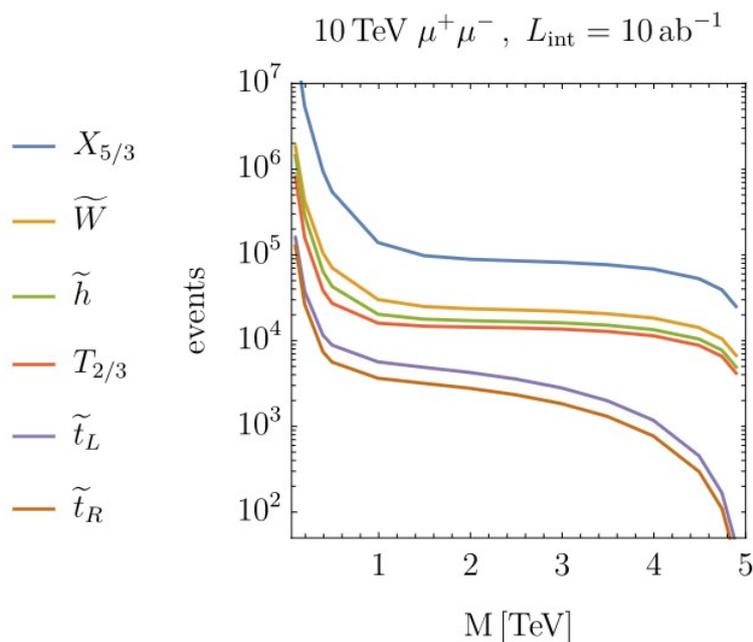
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Muon collider is a vector-boson collider

Event Counts

A few common BSM signals (left) and backgrounds (right).

Buttazzo, Franceschini, Wulzer

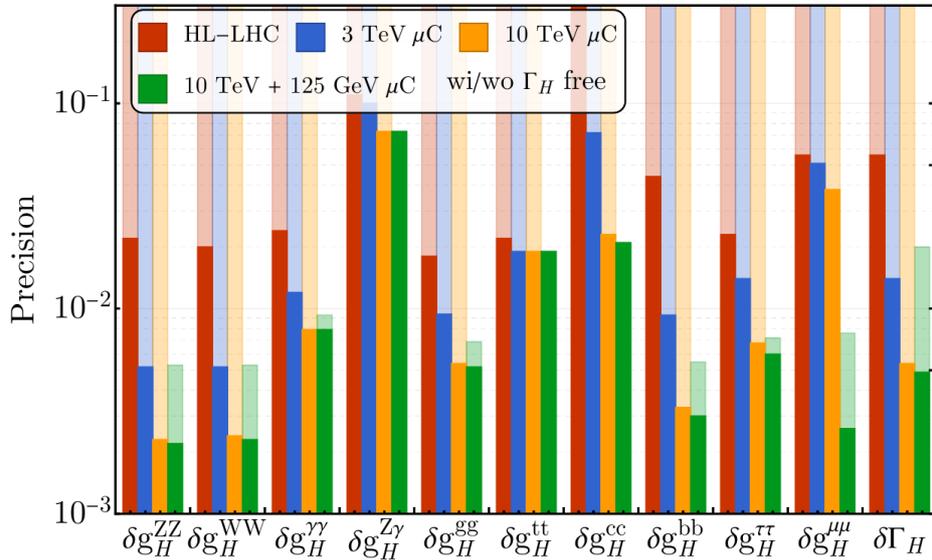


Tentative event reach *competitive* with FCC-hh for **EW states**.

Reach is tentative as detector effects and more detailed analysis needed.

Couplings and Higgs Width

Muon Collider Higgs Precision Projections (SMEFT)



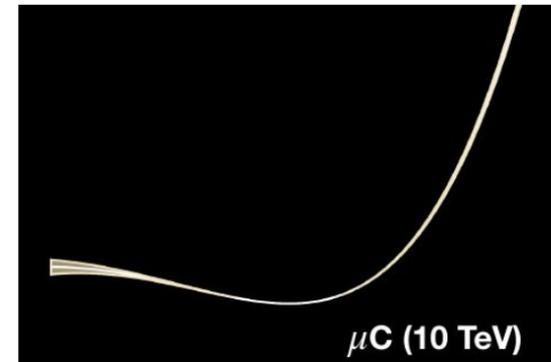
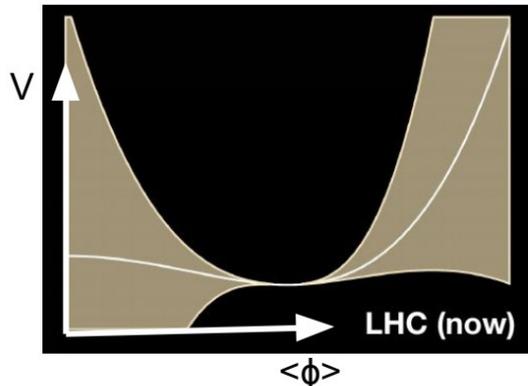
	HL-LHC	ILC (500)	FCC-ee/hh	μC (10 TeV)
hZZ	1.5	0.17	0.12	0.33
hWW	1.7	0.20	0.14	0.10
hbb	3.7	0.50	0.43	0.23
hyy	3.4	0.58	0.44	0.55
hgg	2.5	0.82	0.49	0.44
hcc	-	1.22	0.95	1.8
htt	1.8	1.22	0.29	0.71
hyZ	9.8	10.2	0.69	5.5
h$\mu\mu$	4.3	3.9	0.41	2.5
htt	3.4	2.82	1.0	3.2
Γ_{tot}	5.3	0.63	1.1	0.5

- **>10 TeV μC required for Higgs physics**
- **Precision competitive with FCC-ee/hh**
 - Except couplings with small BR's

Higgs Self-Coupling (SM DiHiggs)

collider	Indirect- h	hh	combined
HL-LHC [78]	100-200%	50%	50%
ILC ₂₅₀ /C ³ -250 [51] [52]	49%	–	49%
ILC ₅₀₀ /C ³ -550 [51] [52]	38%	20%	20%
CLIC ₃₈₀ [54]	50%	–	50%
CLIC ₁₅₀₀ [54]	49%	36%	29%
CLIC ₃₀₀₀ [54]	49%	9%	9%
FCC-ee [55]	33%	–	33%
FCC-ee (4 IPs) [55]	24%	–	24%
FCC-hh [79]	-	3.4-7.8%	3.4-7.8%
μ (3 TeV) [64]	-	15-30%	15-30%
μ (10 TeV) [64]	-	4%	4%

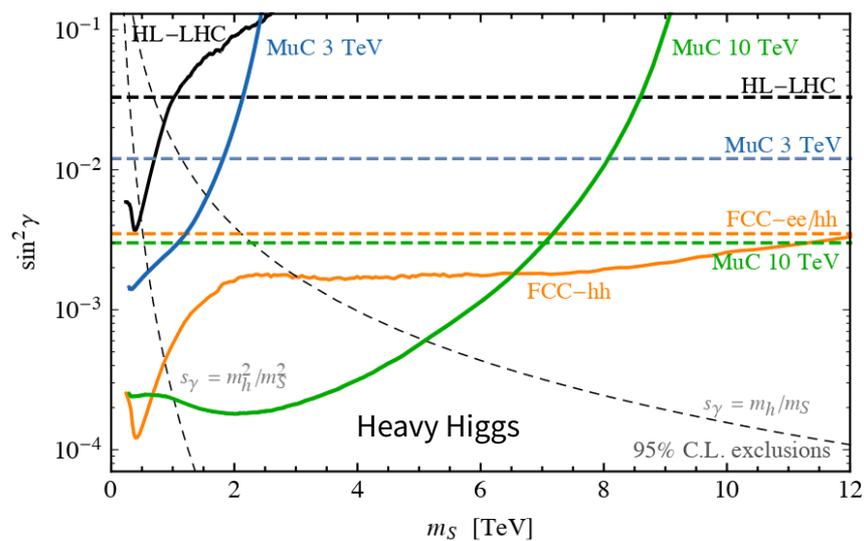
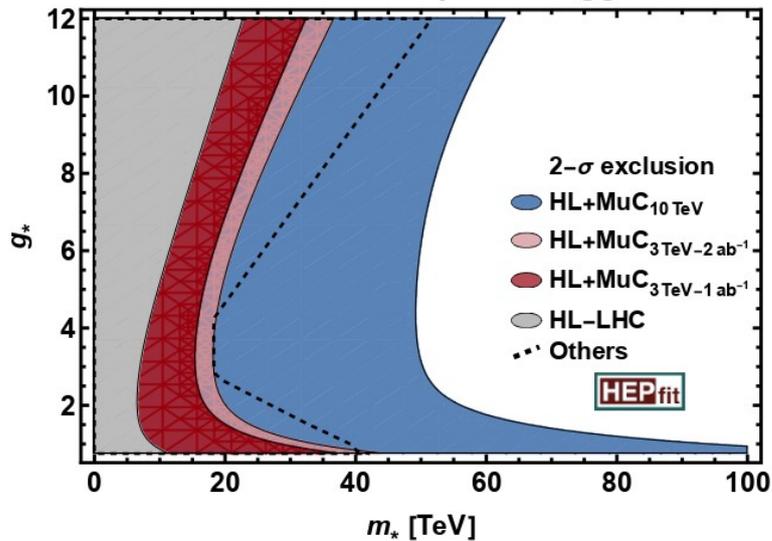
Multi-TeV collider is required for higgs self-coupling



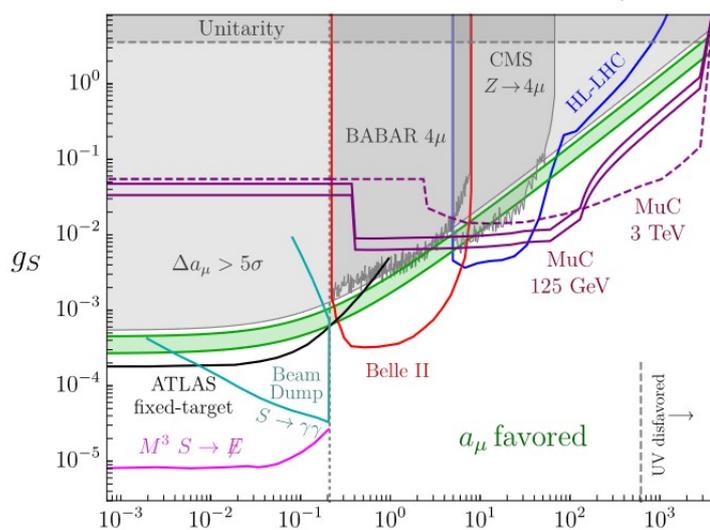
$$V(\phi) = \mu^2 \phi^\dagger \phi + \lambda (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2$$

Credit: R. Petrossian-Byrne, N. Craig

Universal Composite Higgs

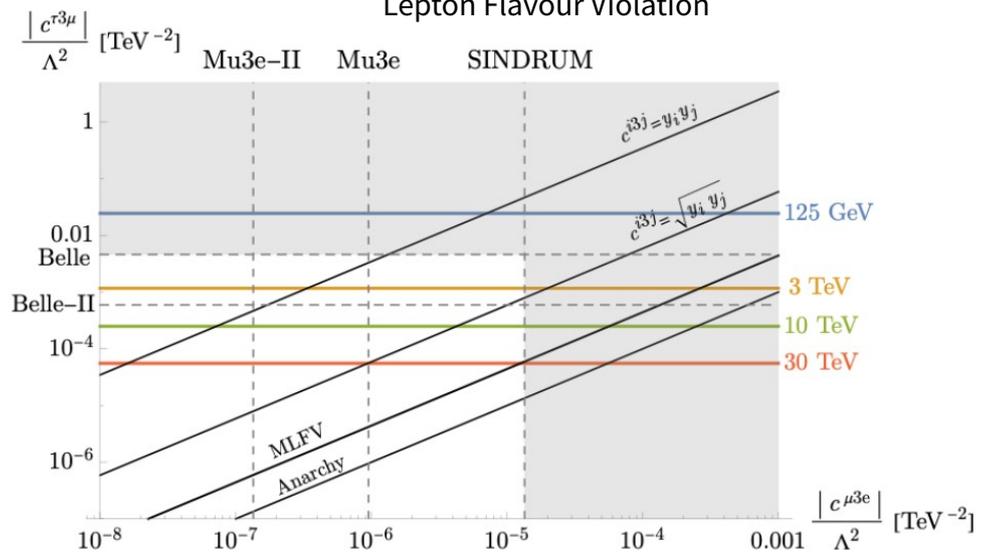


Scalar, $BR(S \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = 1$ for $m_S > 2m_\mu$



g-2 inspired singled models m_S [GeV]

Lepton Flavour Violation



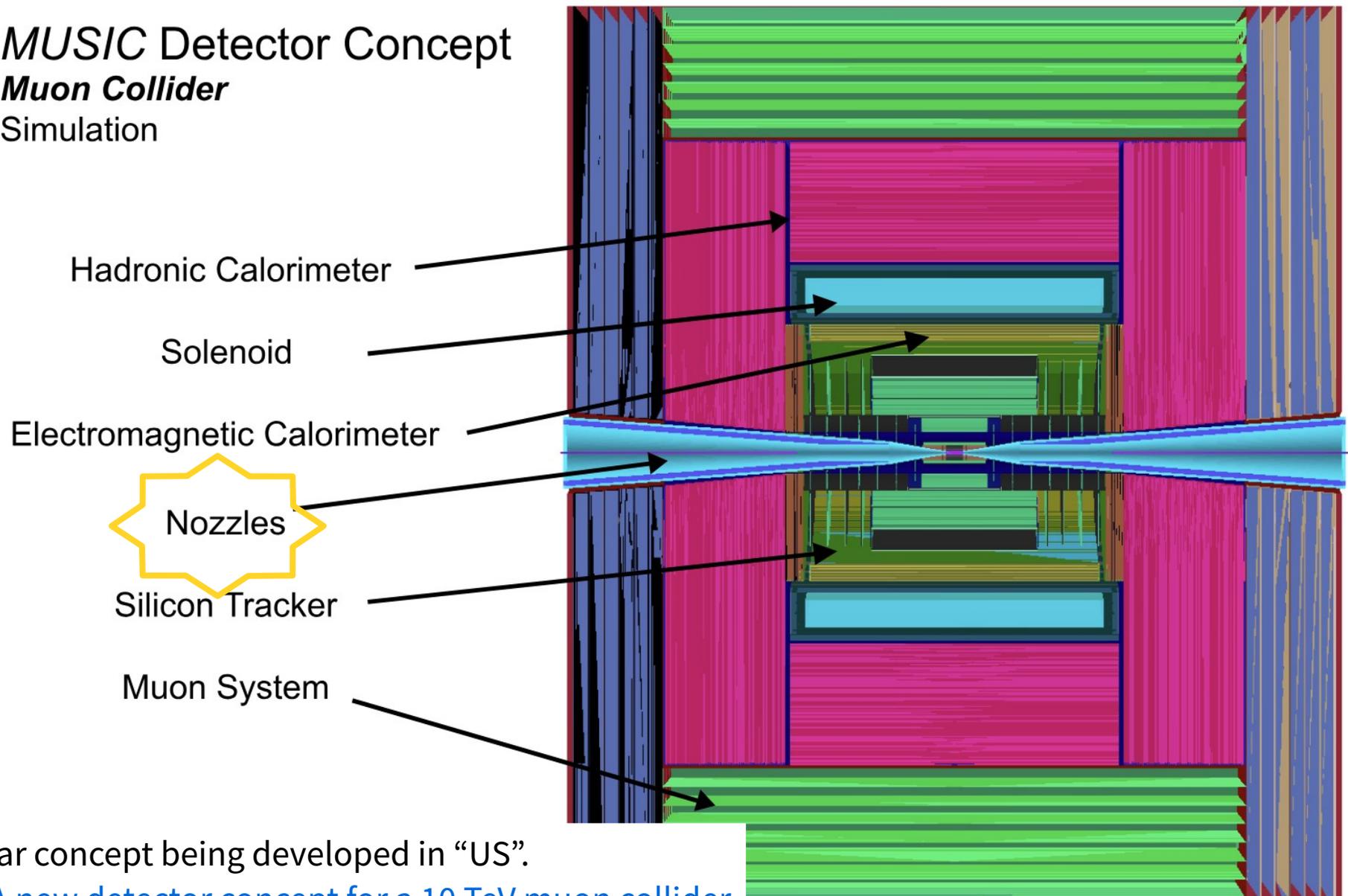
Three Challenges

The Detector

Is the collision environment clean for precision physics?

- **How to deal with Beam Induced Background**

MUSIC Detector Concept Muon Collider Simulation



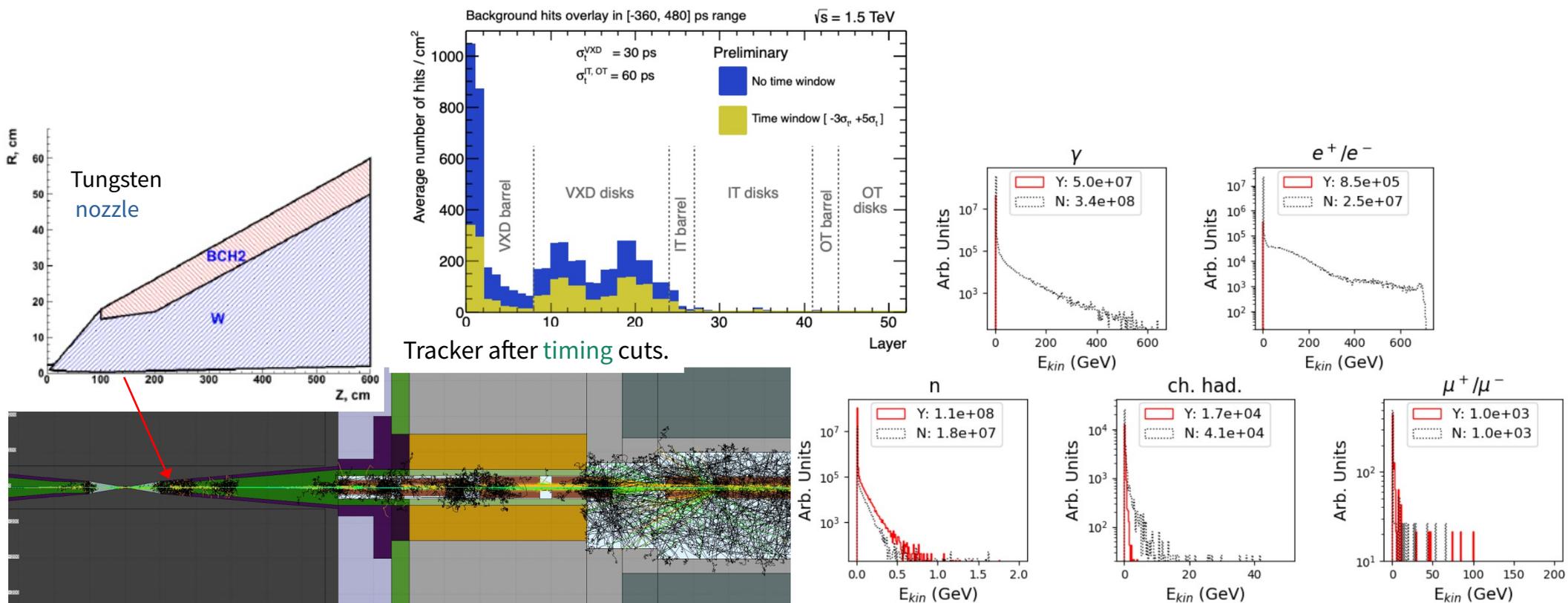
A similar concept being developed in "US".

[MAIA: A new detector concept for a 10 TeV muon collider](#)

Beam Induced Background

arxiv:2105.09116

- BIB = muon beam decays and strike the detector
- Several main mitigation
 - 10° tungsten nozzle to shield from beam decay products
 - Precision timing information from detectors



FLUKA simulation of BIB before reaching the detector.

Particle energy spectra with (Y) and without (N) nozzle.

All-Silicon Tracking Detector

Plots from 1.5 TeV detector concept.

Outer Tracker (OT)

- micro-strips
- 50 μm x 10 mm
- $\sigma_t = 60$ ps

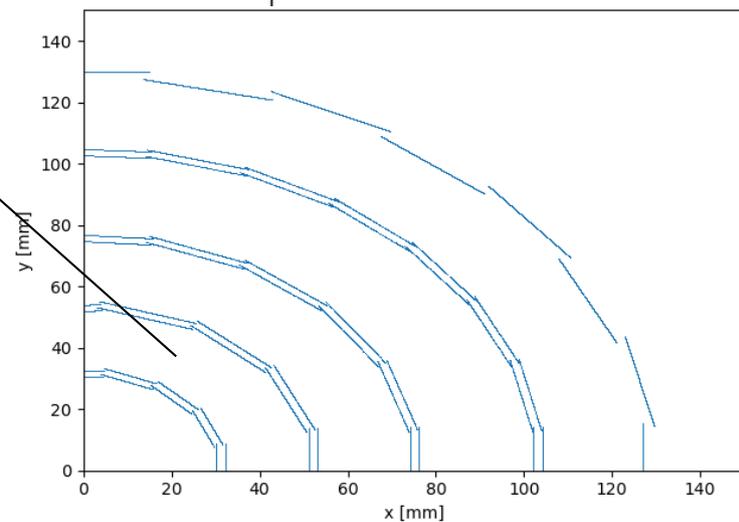
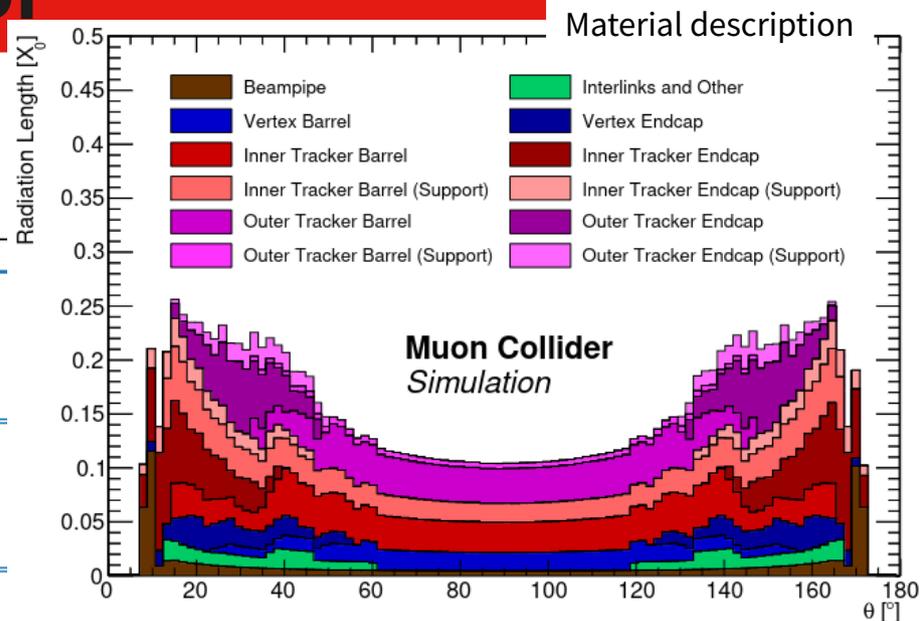
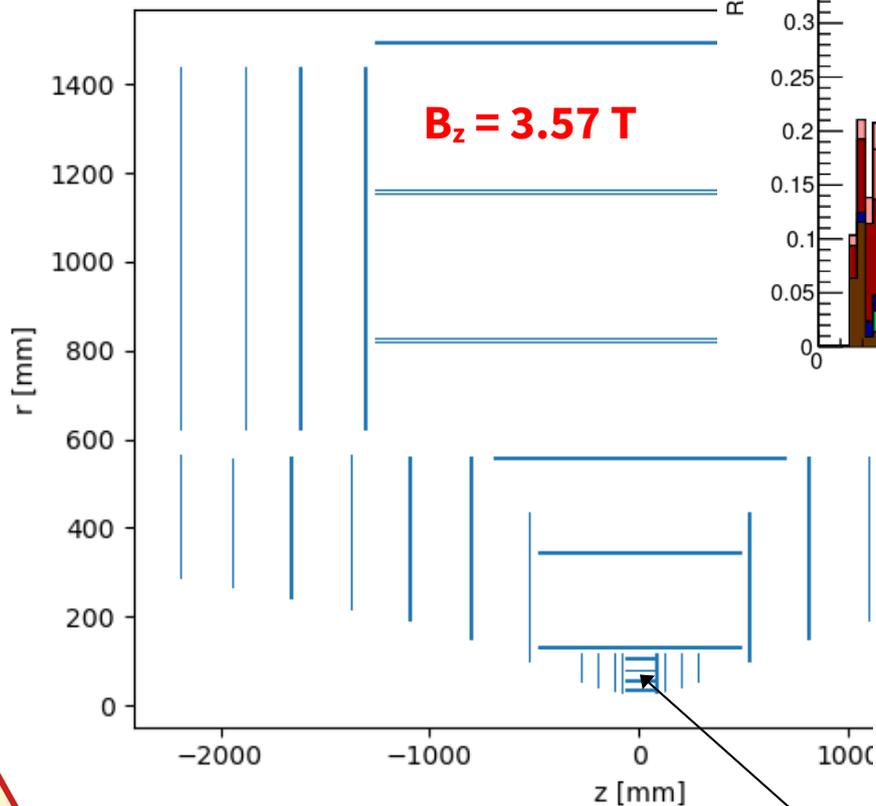
Inner Tracker (IT)

- macro-pixels
- 50 μm x 1 mm
- $\sigma_t = 60$ ps

4D tracking critical

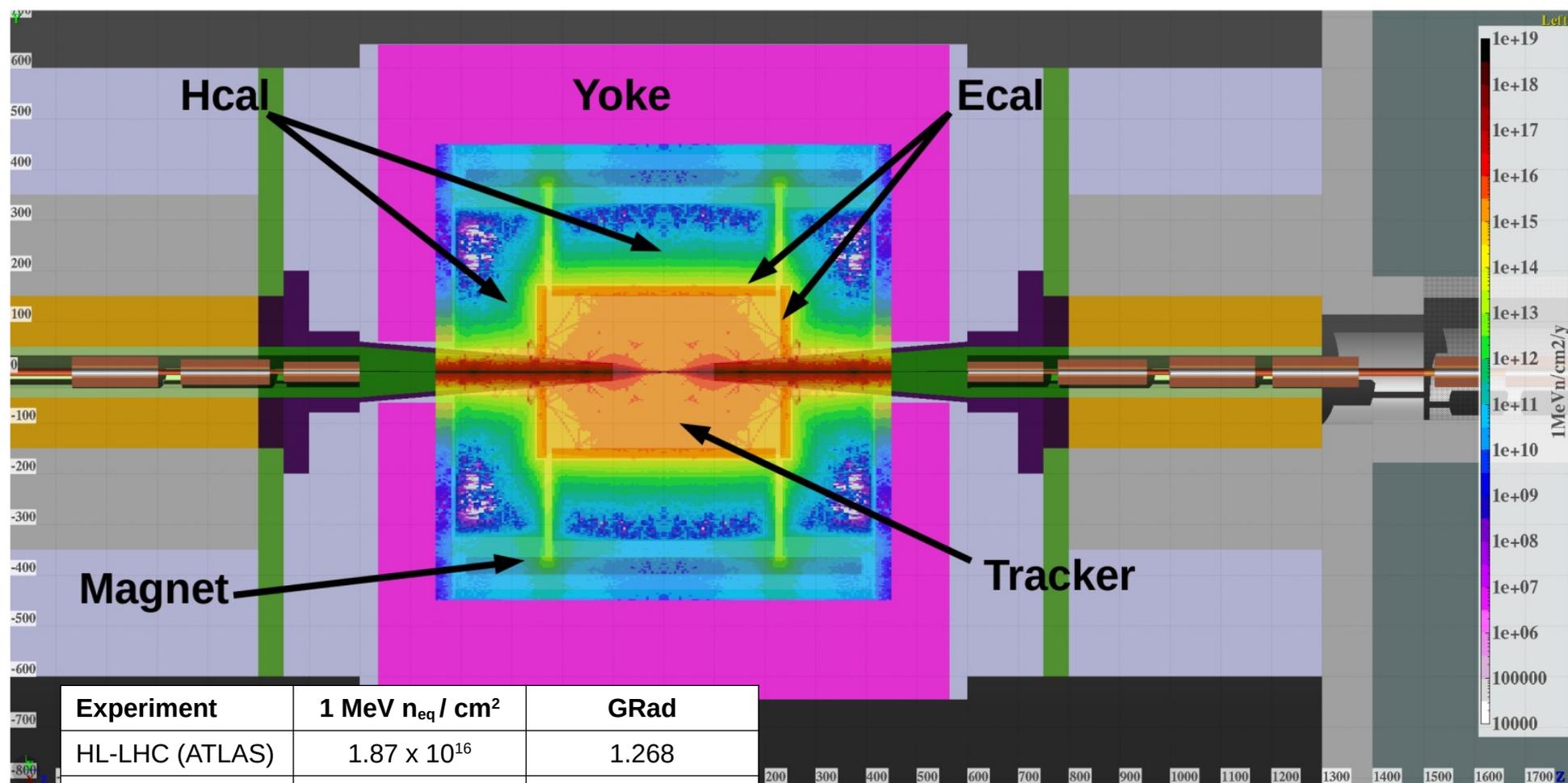
Vertex Detector (VXD)

- pixels
- 25 μm x 25 μm
- $\sigma_t = 30$ ps
- double layers



Radiation Damage From BIB

Plots from 1.5 TeV detector concept.

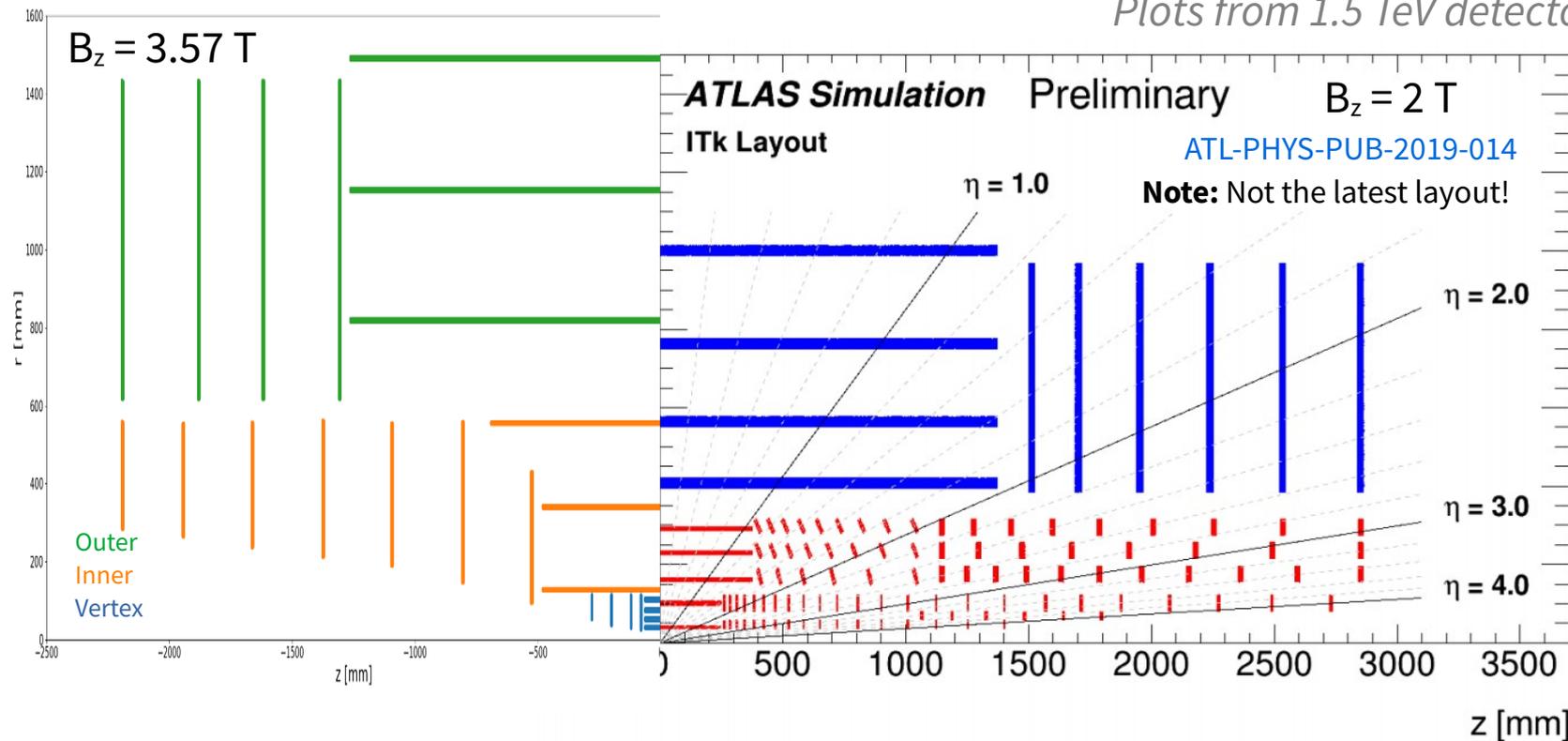


Experiment	1 MeV n_{eq} / cm^2	GRad
HL-LHC (ATLAS)	1.87×10^{16}	1.268
μC (1.5 TeV)	5×10^{15}	0.05
FCChh	8×10^{17}	27
FCCee	? not big ?	? not big ?

Expected dose in innermost tracking layer.

The Scale of BIB

Plots from 1.5 TeV detector concept.



Hit density
 after timing cuts
 10x HL-LHC

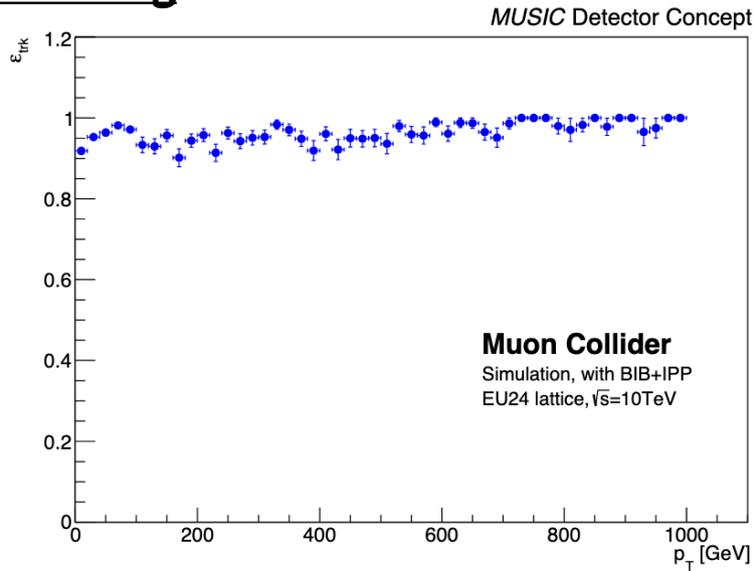
	ITk Hit Density [mm ⁻²]	MCC Equiv. Hit Density [mm ⁻²]
Pix Lay 0	0.643	3.68
Pix Lay 1	0.022	0.51
Str Lay 1	0.003	0.03

ITk Pixels TDR, ITk Strips TDR

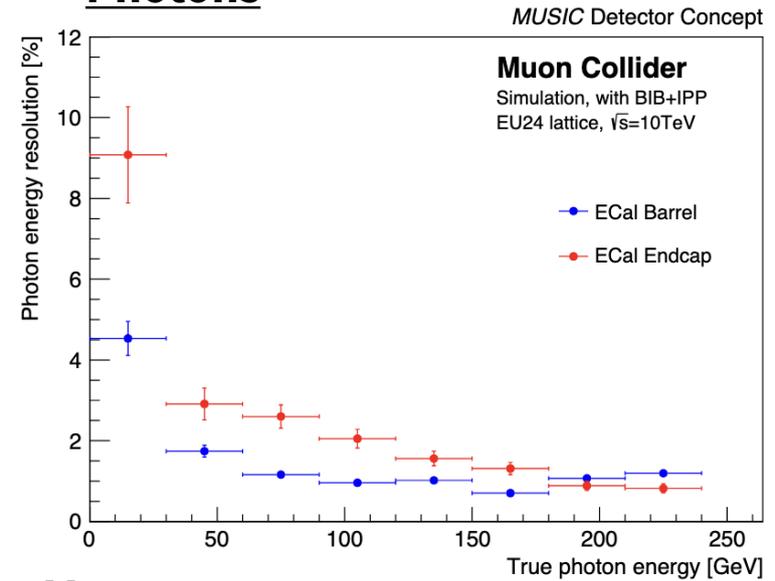
Object Reconstruction

Similar plots exist for MAIA.

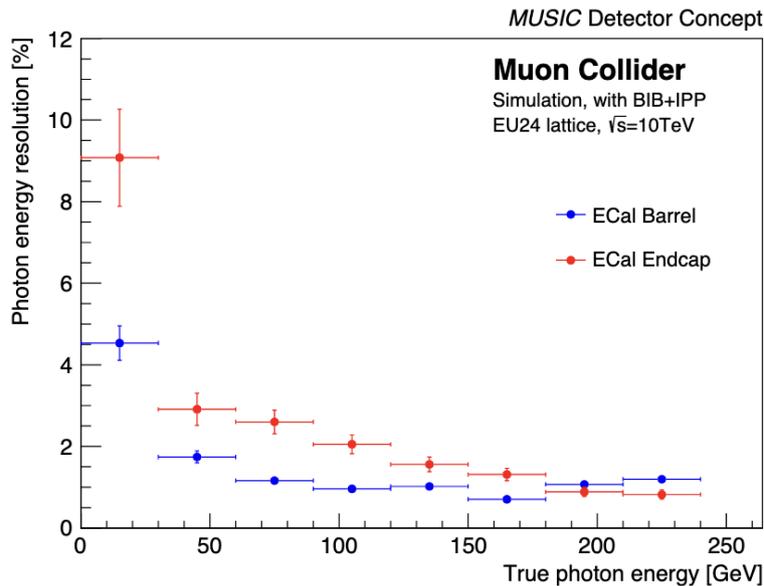
Tracking



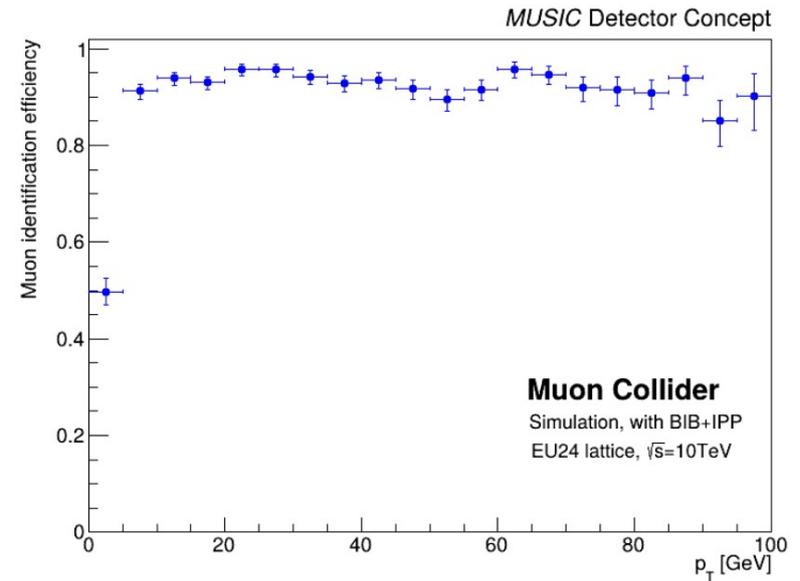
Photons



Jets

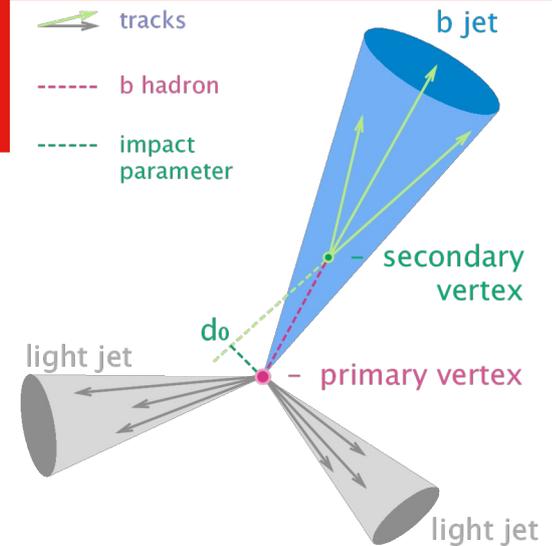


Muons

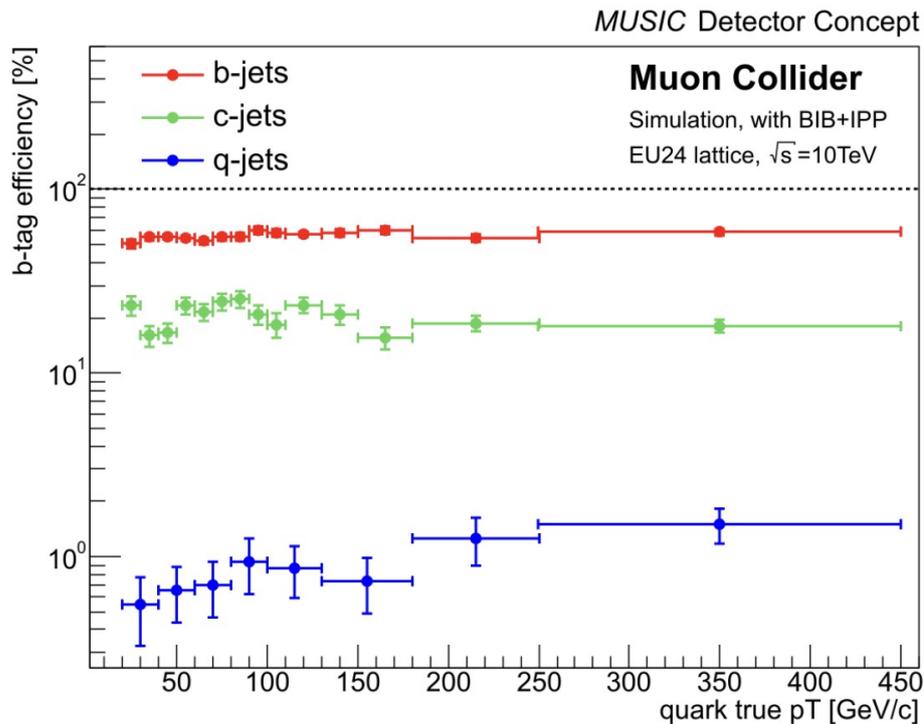


b-jet identification

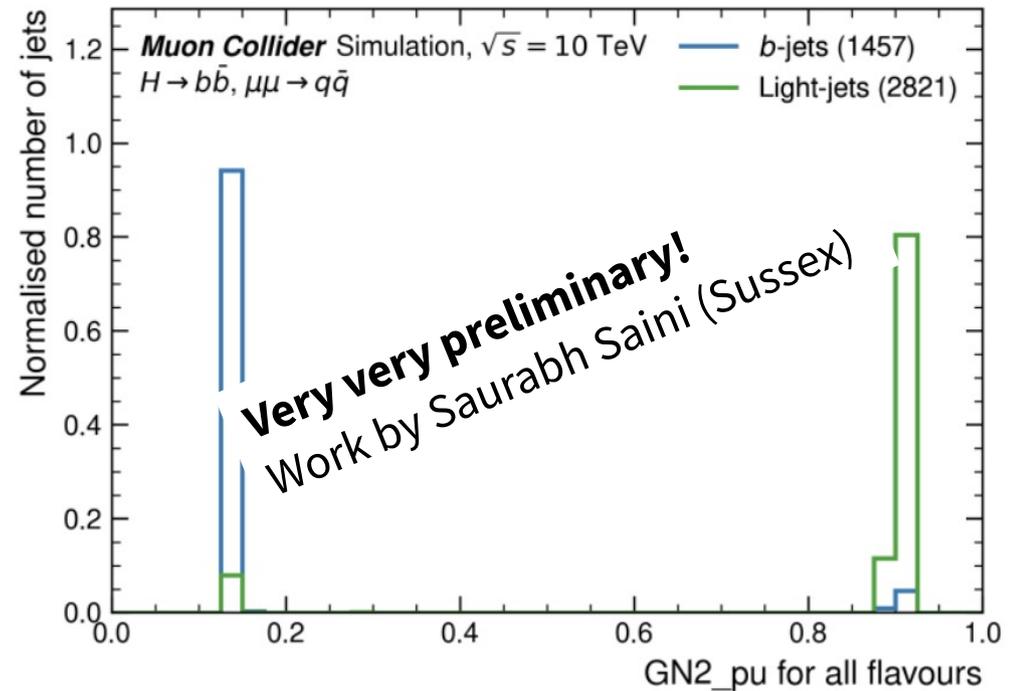
- Important for Higgs studies.
 - Most common decays is into two b-quarks.



by explicit secondary vertex reconstruction



by Machine Learning (ATLAS SALT framework)



Detector R&D

Similar challenges at FCChh and μC , but μC is easier.

** Sorry for tracking bias.

Source: [The 2021 ECFA detector research and development roadmap](#) (with updates).

"Technical" Start Date of Facility (This means, where the dates are not known, the earliest technically feasible start date is indicated - such that detector R&D readiness is not the delaying factor)		< 2030					2030-2035					2035 - 2040	2040-2045		> 2045			
		Panda 2025	CBM 2025	HIKE 2030 ¹⁾	Belle II 2026	ALICE LS3 ¹⁾	ALICE 3	LHCb ($\geq \text{LS4}$) ¹⁾	ATLAS/CMS ($\geq \text{LS4}$) ¹⁾	EIC	LHeC	ILC ²⁾	FCC-ee	CLIC ²⁾	FCC-hh ~2070	FCC-eh	Muon Collider ~2045	
Vertex Detector ³⁾	MAPS Planar/3D/Passive CMOS LGADs	DRDT 3.1 DRDT 3.4	Position precision σ_{hit} (μm)	≈ 5	≈ 5	≈ 3	≈ 3	≈ 10	≈ 15	≈ 3	≈ 5	≈ 3	≈ 3	≈ 3	≈ 7	≈ 5	≈ 5	
			X/X ₀ (%/layer)	≈ 0.1	≈ 0.5	≈ 0.5	≈ 0.1	≈ 0.05	≈ 0.05	≈ 1		≈ 0.05	≈ 0.1	≈ 0.05	≈ 0.05	≈ 0.2	≈ 1	≈ 0.1
		Power (mW/cm^2)		≈ 60			≈ 20	≈ 20			≈ 20		≈ 20	≈ 20	≈ 50			
		Rates (GHz/cm^2)		≈ 0.1	≈ 1	≈ 0.1		≈ 0.1	≈ 6		≈ 0.1	≈ 0.1	≈ 0.05	≈ 0.05	≈ 5	≈ 30	≈ 0.1	50
		Wafers area (cm^2) ⁴⁾					12	12			12			12		12		12
	DRDT 3.2	Timing precision σ_t (ns) ⁵⁾	10	≈ 0.05	100		25	≈ 0.05	≈ 0.05	25	25	500	25	≈ 5	≈ 0.02	25	≈ 0.02	
	DRDT3.3	Radiation tolerance NIEL ($\times 10^{16}$ neq/cm ²)		1				≈ 6	≈ 2						$\approx 10^2$		0.5	
		Radiation tolerance TID (Grad)						≈ 1	≈ 0.5						≈ 30		0.05	

Technology demonstrators?

4D tracking, high data rates, rad hard

Conclusions

Muon Collider is competitive with FCC, but “simpler”.

Physics

- Increase in activity as part of ESPPU/Snowmass studies.
- 10 TeV collider meets the necessary goals.

Accelerator

- See all other talks today!

Detector

- Beam Induced Backgrounds creates a very unclean environment.
- Two concepts with advanced object reconstruction studies.
 - Created since Snowmass. Shows maturity of framework.
- *Lots of progress, but still need to understand effect on physics goals.*

BACKUP SLIDES

Our (1.5 TeV) Onion Detector

10 TeV concept developed for EPSSU

heavily based on CLIC detector

hadronic calorimeter

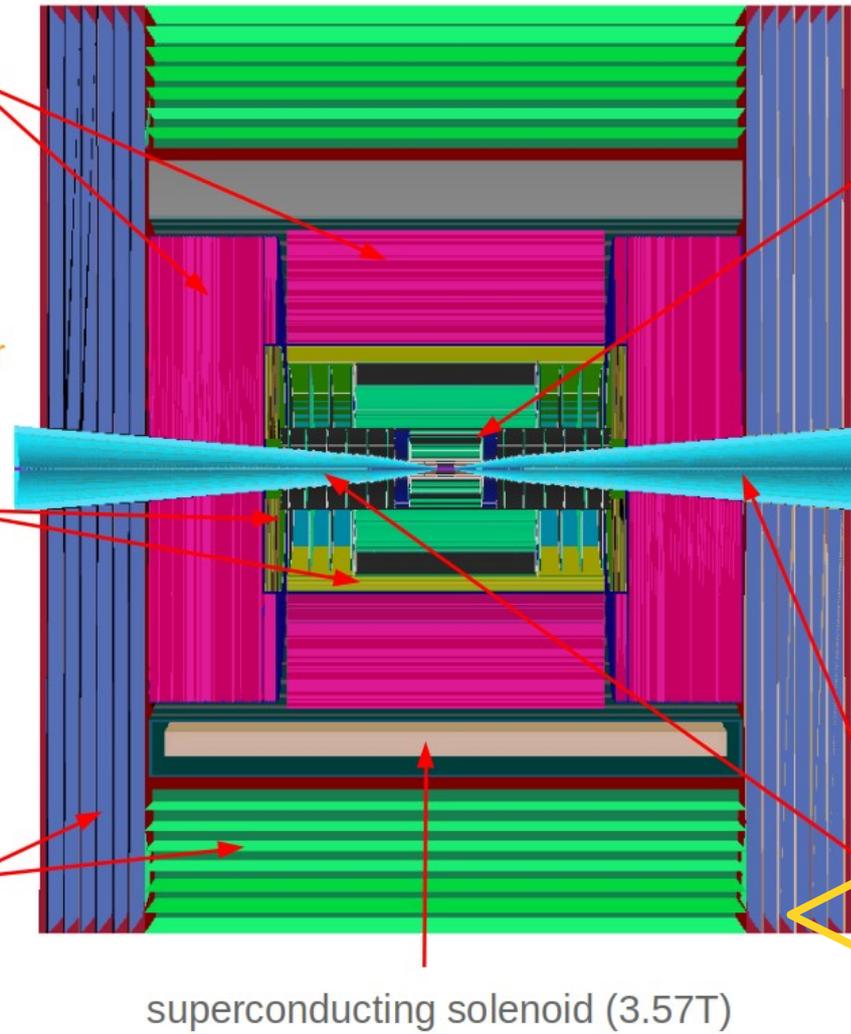
- ◆ 60 layers of 19-mm steel absorber + plastic scintillating tiles;
- ◆ 30x30 mm² cell size;
- ◆ 7.5 λ_I .

electromagnetic calorimeter

- ◆ 40 layers of 1.9-mm W absorber + silicon pad sensors;
- ◆ 5x5 mm² cell granularity;
- ◆ 22 $X_0 + 1 \lambda_I$.

muon detectors

- ◆ 7-barrel, 6-endcap RPC layers interleaved in the magnet's iron yoke;
- ◆ 30x30 mm² cell size.



tracking system

- ◆ **Vertex Detector:**
 - double-sensor layers (4 barrel cylinders and 4+4 endcap disks);
 - 25x25 μm^2 pixel Si sensors.
- ◆ **Inner Tracker:**
 - 3 barrel layers and 7+7 endcap disks;
 - 50 μm x 1 mm macro-pixel Si sensors.
- ◆ **Outer Tracker:**
 - 3 barrel layers and 4+4 endcap disks;
 - 50 μm x 10 mm micro-strip Si sensors.

shielding nozzles

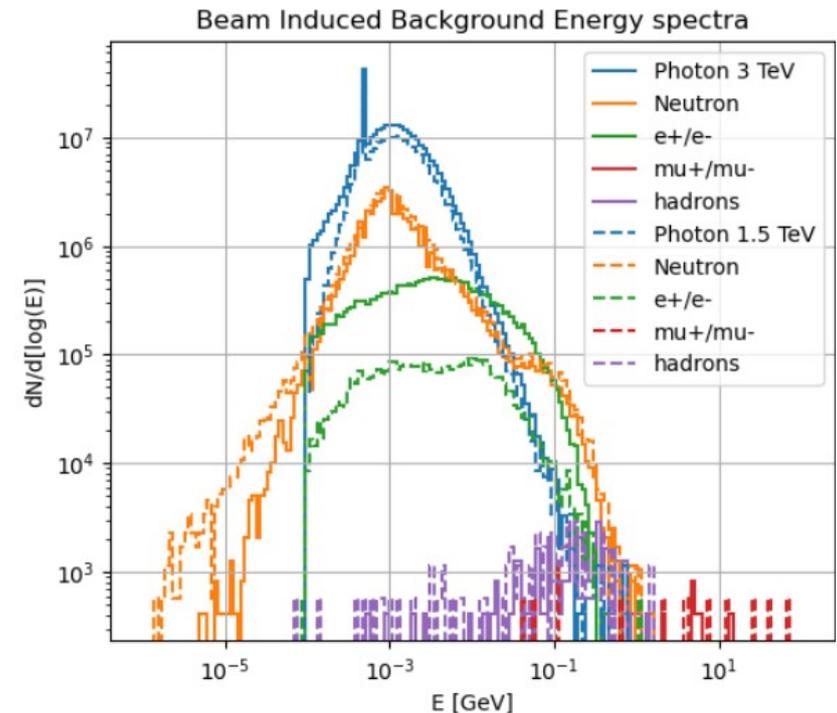
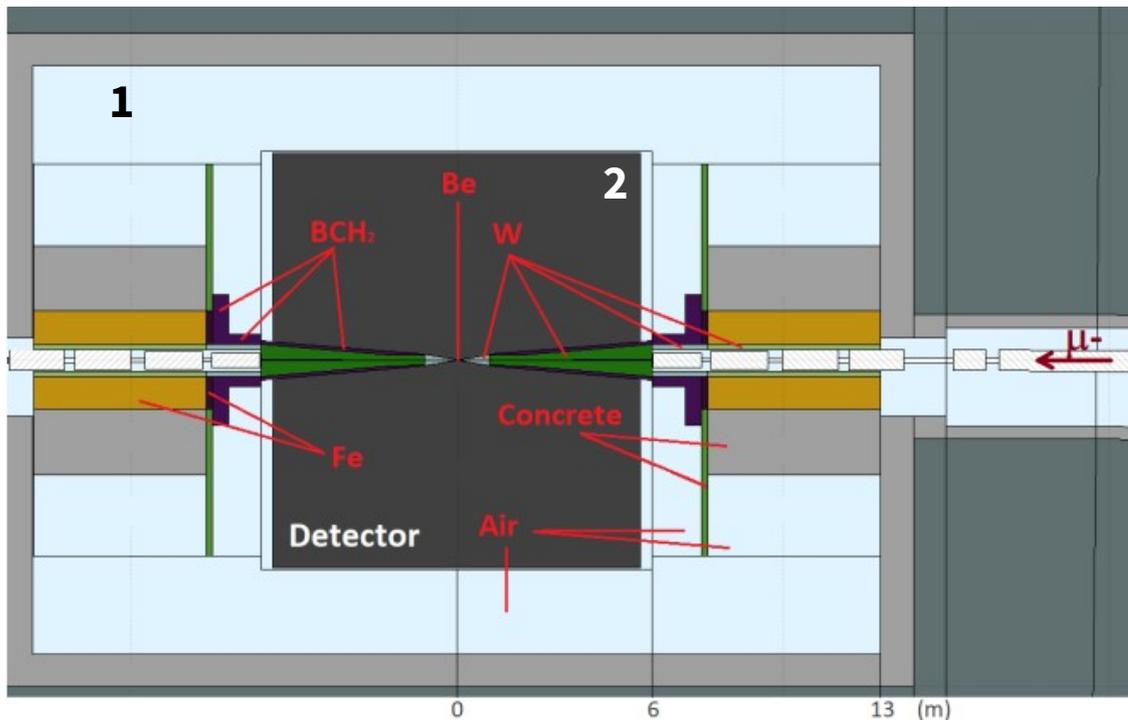
- ◆ Tungsten cones + borated polyethylene cladding.

Simulating Beam Induced Background

1) Muon trajectory, decay and transport of products via FLUKA

- Full beam optics present through LineBuilder Interface

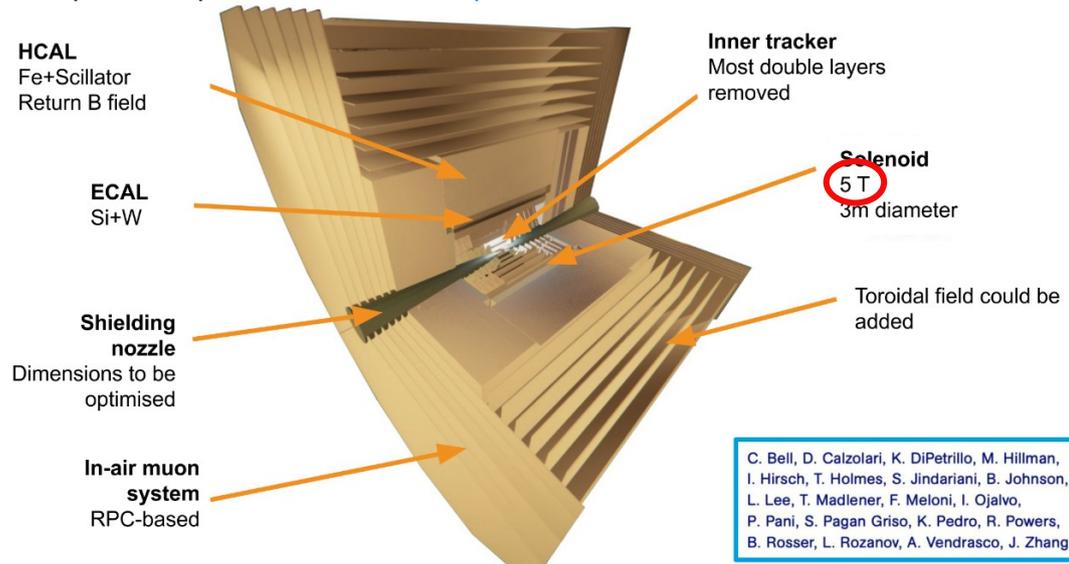
2) GEANT simulation of particles entering the detector



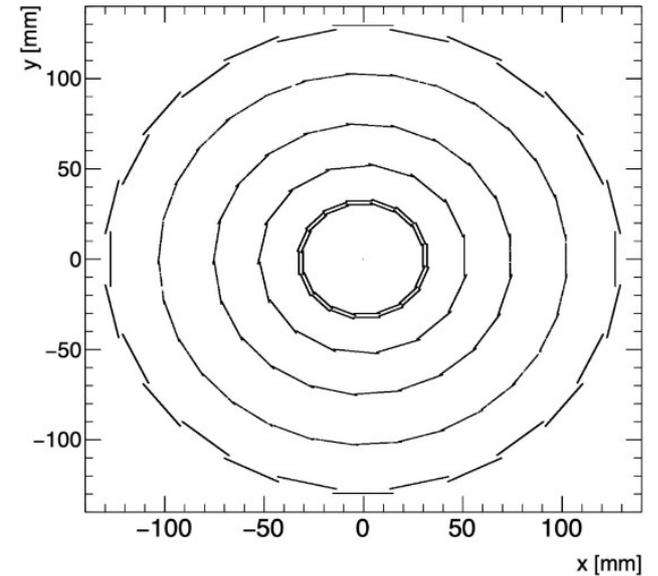
1.5 TeV vs 10 TeV

Summary by B. Rosser

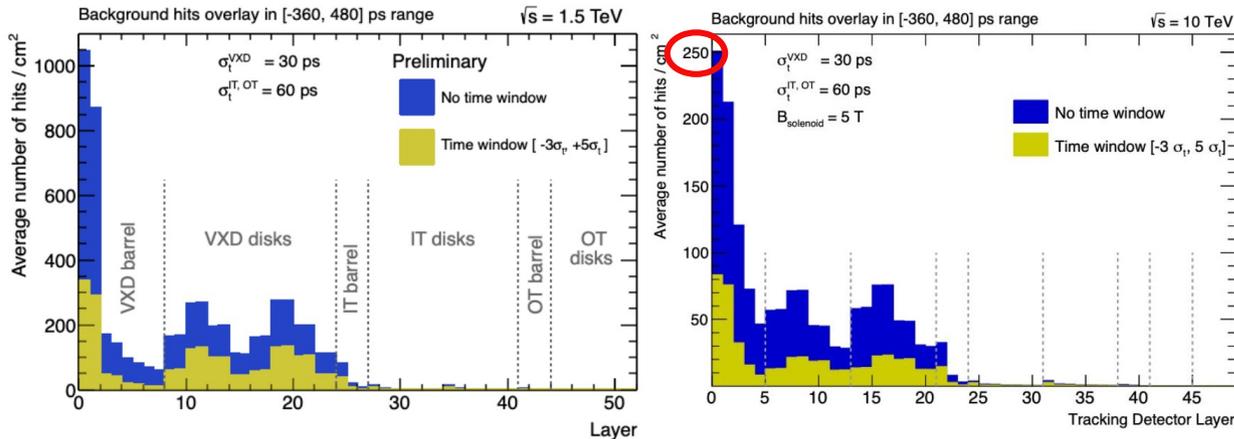
Concept developed at [KITP workshop at Santa Barbara](#)



Removed double layers in tracker



BIB is less of an issue.



But scattered muons from ZZh are more forward (nozzle)

M. Forslund, [Muon Collider Workshop at FNAL, Dec. 15, 2022](#)

