



The Muon Collider

challenges and perspectives



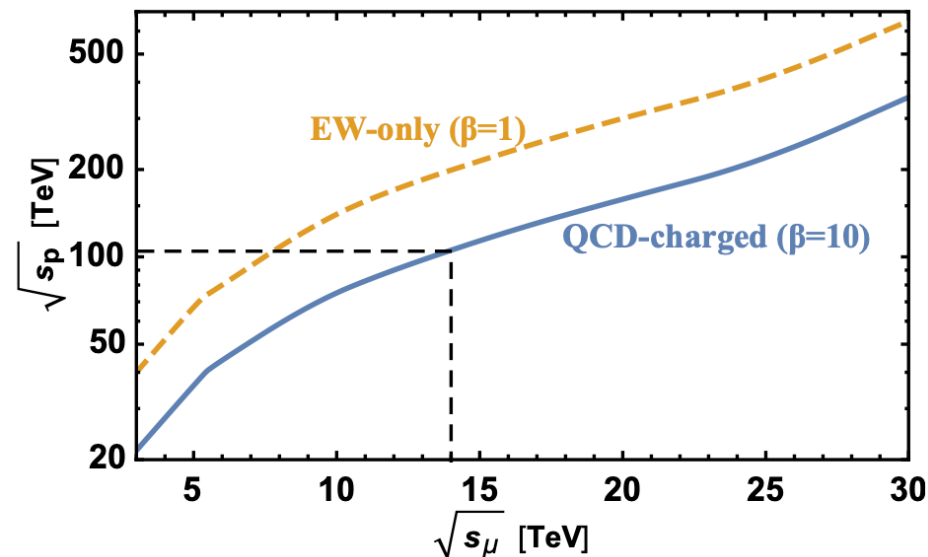
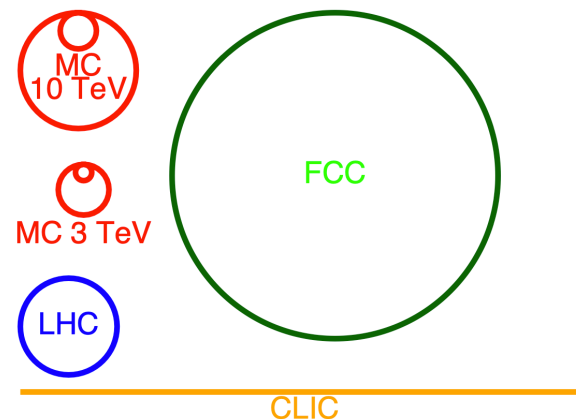
European strategy discussion

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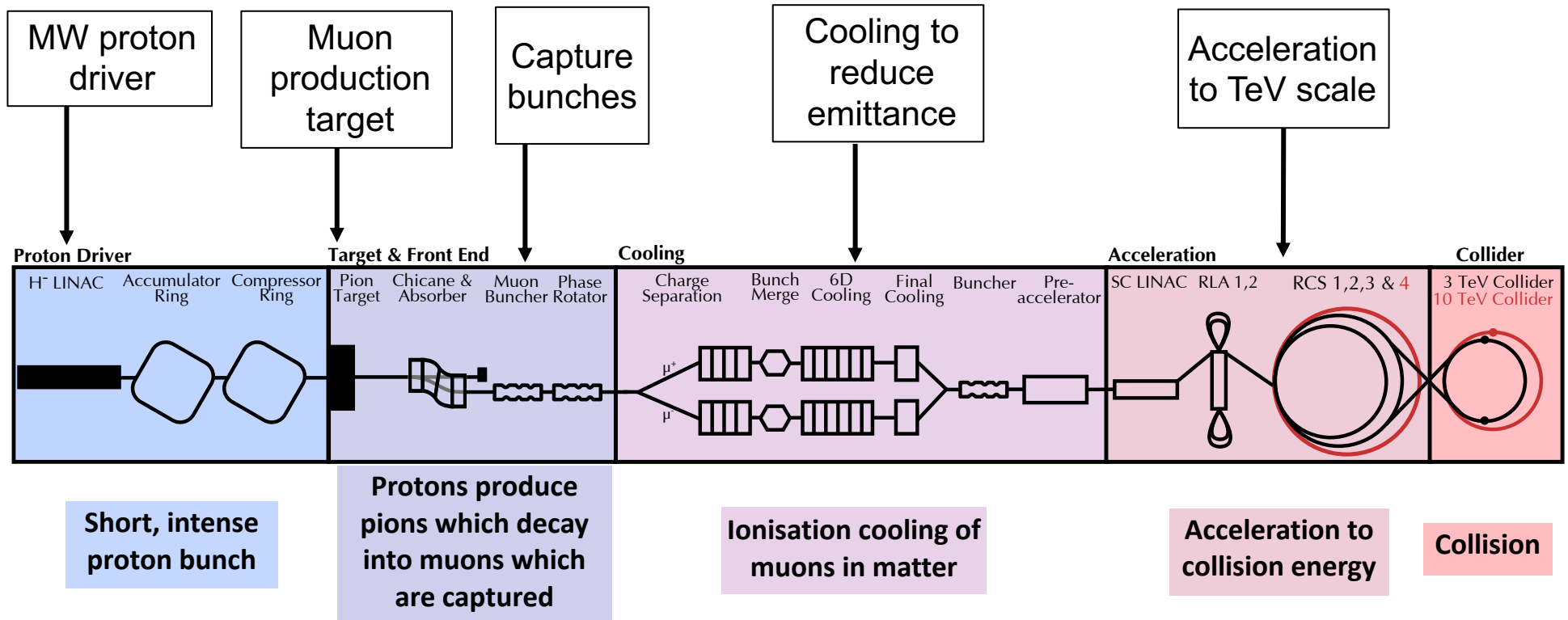
Why a muon collider?

- Muons are elementary particles
 - All the energy is used in the collision
- Muons emit little synchrotron radiation
 - Acceleration to many TeV is possible
- In a Muon Collider, luminosity-to-power ratio improves substantially with energy
 - Small footprint and better energy efficiency
- Goal is a 10 TeV collider
 - Staging with 3 TeV
- Aim to have 2 detectors

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Muon Collider Overview



Luminosity

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{n_c f N^+ N^-}{4\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y}$$

- High charge per muon bunch
 - Requires **powerful** proton driver, **high-yield** target, **fast** acceleration
- Small transverse beam size
 - Requires beam with **low** transverse emittance
 - Requires **strong** focusing magnets @IR
- Many collisions
 - Requires **strong** dipole magnets to minimize collider radius

Design parameters

	LHC	Muon collider	
Center-of-mass energy (\sqrt{s})	14 TeV	3 TeV	10 TeV
Bunch length	7.7 cm	5 mm	1.5 mm
Transversal bunch size	16.7 μm	3 μm	0.9 μm

Comparison to LHC/HL-LHC

Parameter	Unit of measure	Target value	
Center-of-mass energy (\sqrt{s})	TeV	3	10
Luminosity	$10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	2	20
Collider circumference	km	4.5	10
Muons per bunch	10^{12}	2.2	1.8
Beta function at interaction point	mm	5	1.5

	Muon collider	HL-LHC
Maximum dose at $R = 2.2 \text{ cm}$	10 Mrad	100 Mrad
Maximum dose at $R = 150 \text{ cm}$	0.1 Mrad	0.1 Mrad
Maximum fluence at $R = 2.2 \text{ cm}$	$10^{15} \text{ 1-MeV } n_{\text{eq}} \text{ cm}^{-2}$	$10^{15} \text{ 1-MeV } n_{\text{eq}} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
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A broad physics program

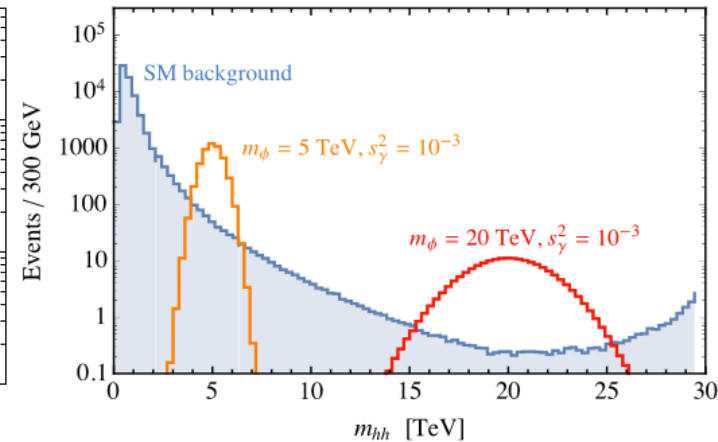
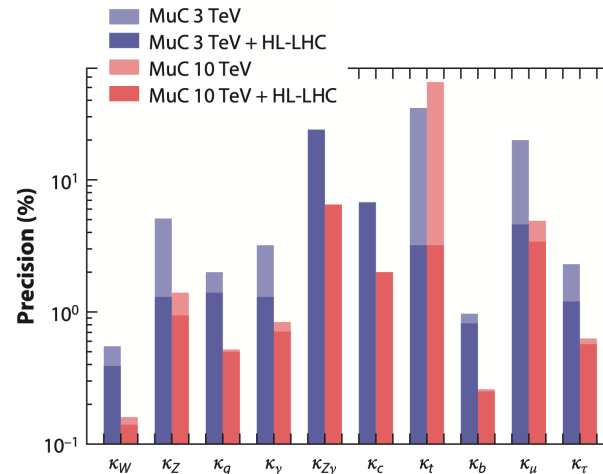
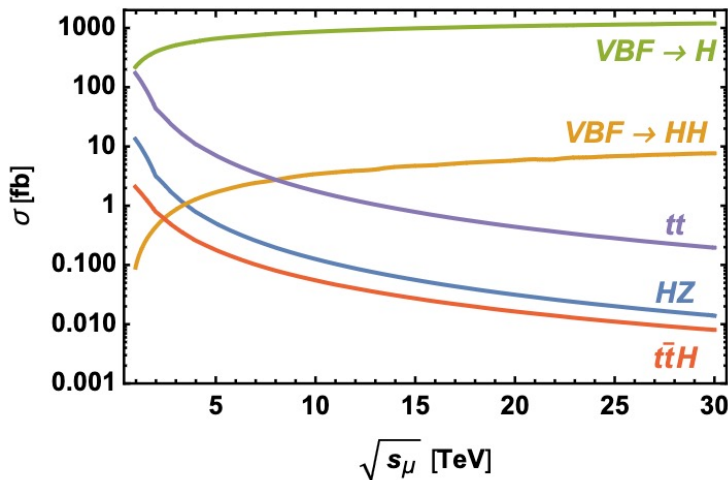
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Multi-TeV lepton collisions enable a broad physics program

- Direct and indirect new physics searches
- Precise SM measurements in unexplored energy range
- Higgs boson couplings to fermions & bosons, trilinear and quartic couplings (λ_3, λ_4)

⇒ **Determination of Higgs potential**

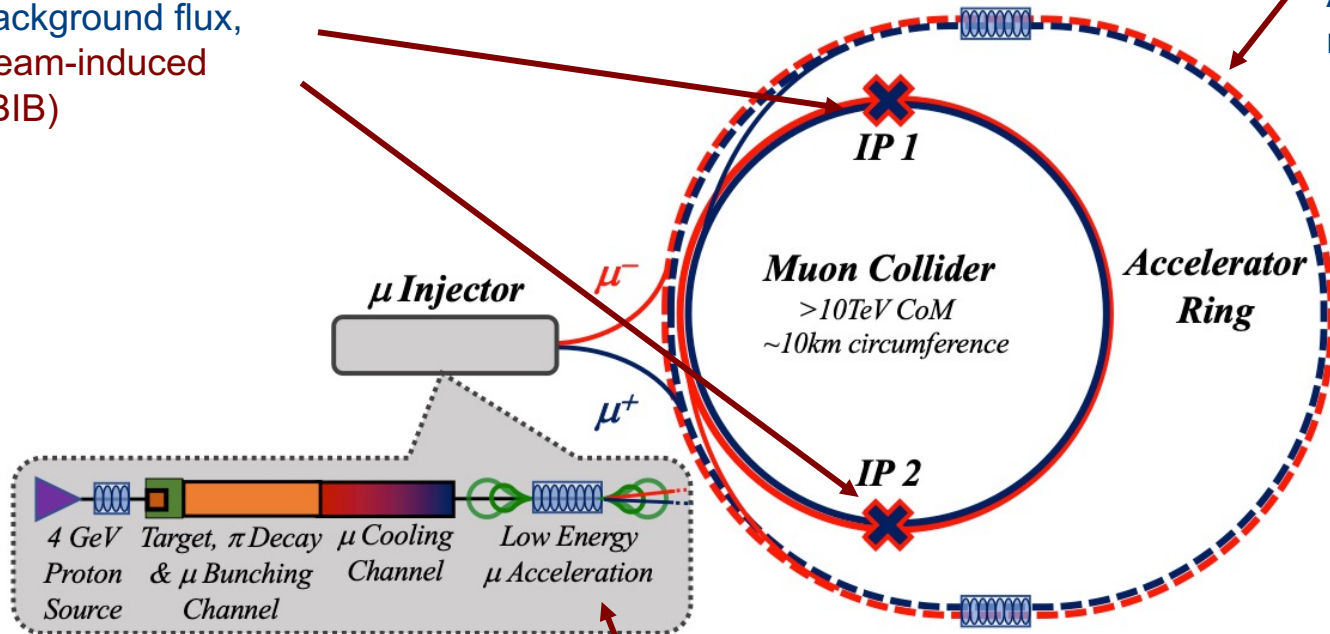
$$V(h) = \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 h^2 + \lambda_3 v h^3 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda_4 h^4$$



Key challenges

Experimental apparatus to deal with a huge background flux, mainly from **beam-induced background (BIB)**

Machine background
All machine elements must be properly shielded



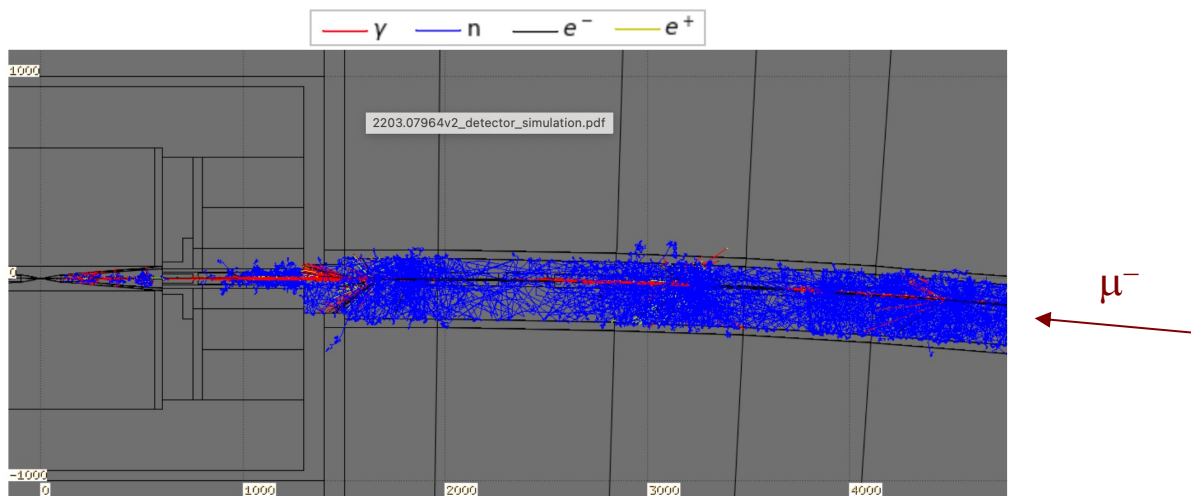
Muon beam production and **cooling**, i.e. reduction of transverse phase-space volume by more than $O(10^5)$ is crucial

Muon beams must be prepared and accelerated **as quick as possible** to exploit relativistic time dilation in the lab system ($t_{\mu}=105\text{ms}$ in the lab @5TeV)

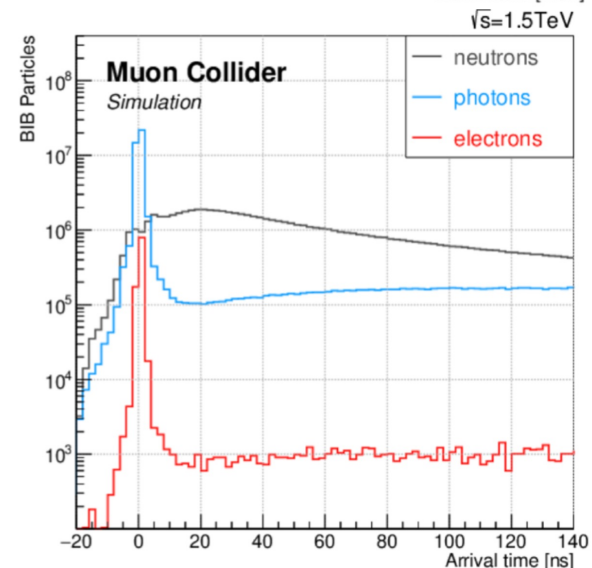
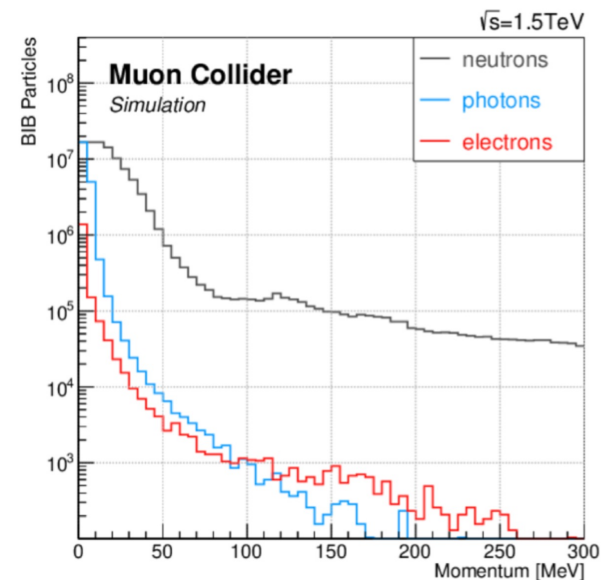
Neutrino flux
Intense and highly collimated neutrino beams even far from the collider complex may cause severe radiation hazard

Background from muon decays

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IMCC

- R&D studies are coordinated by the **International Muon Collider Collaboration (IMCC)**, established at CERN in 2022 as a result of the recommendations of ESPP2020
- Main goals
 - Assess and develop muon collider concept
 - Identify potential sites
 - Develop R&D roadmap towards the collider
 - Develop an initial muon collider stage that could start operations ~2050
- Fruitful collaboration with US HEP community
 - Studies began where US MAP program (2010-2014) left
- Outcome of US **Snowmass 2021** very favorable. P5 final report recommends pursuing R&D on a machine with *partonic center of mass energy of 10 TeV* and above



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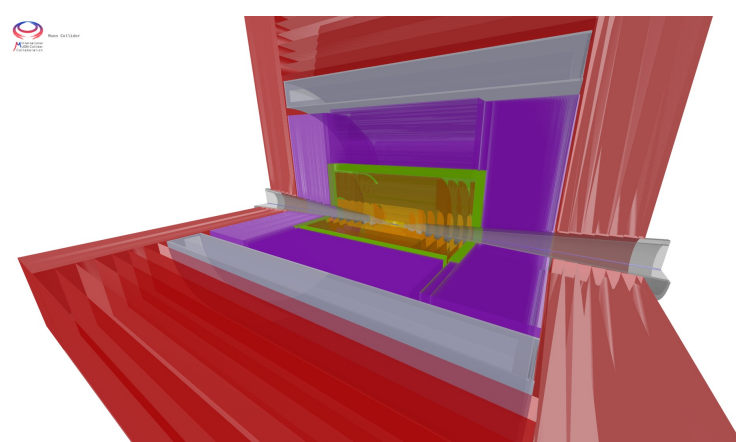
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Detector concepts

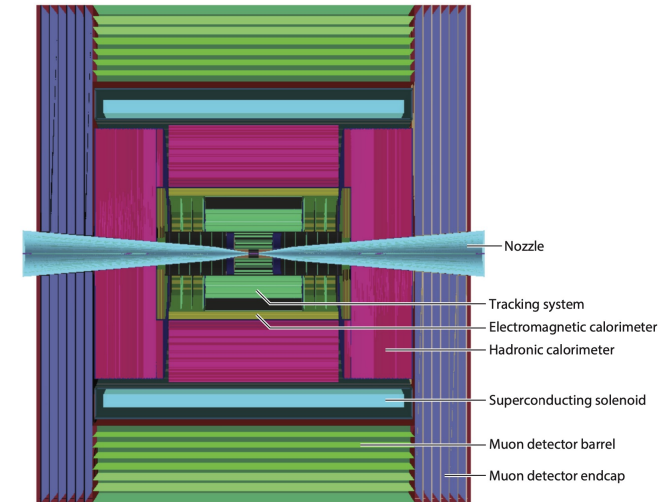
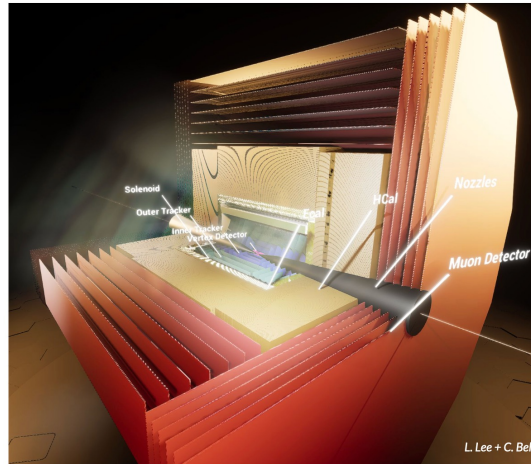
MUSIC

(MUon System for Interesting Collisions)



MAIA

(Muon Accelerator Instrumented Apparatus)



Two detector concepts being developed

- Required resolutions
- MDI and background suppression
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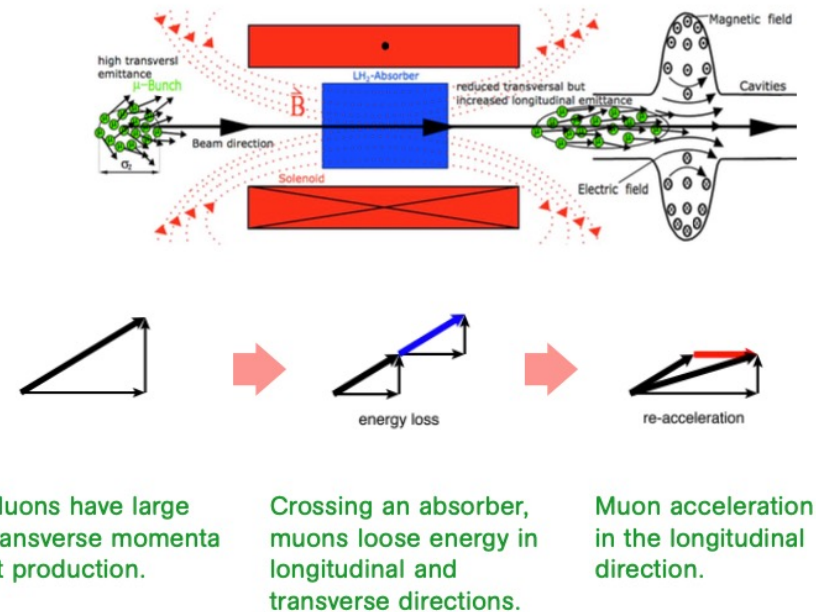
Increasing efforts for further improvements and exploiting AI, ML and new technologies

- Synergies with HL-LHC developments
- Close integration with ECFA detector R&D

Muon cooling demonstrator

- First step towards a muon collider is to build a **demonstrator facility**
 - Demonstrate reduction of beam emittance
- Test **cooling cell** technology in operational environment
- Study and test **production target**
- Develop new **beam monitoring** instrumentation
- Depending on available resources, the muon beam could be accelerated for **muon and neutrino physics**

Ionization cooling principle



Summary

- MC offers a unique opportunity for energy frontier with high luminosity
- No fundamental showstoppers found
- Highly motivated community
- Technology needs a strong R&D program
 - Complete end-to-end simulation
 - Develop cooling technology (klystron, cavities, HTS solenoids, etc) from single to multiple cells
 - Dedicated HTS magnet program
 - Progress towards CDR/TDR (~2030) for the demonstrator

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Numerous opportunities for everyone to get involved!

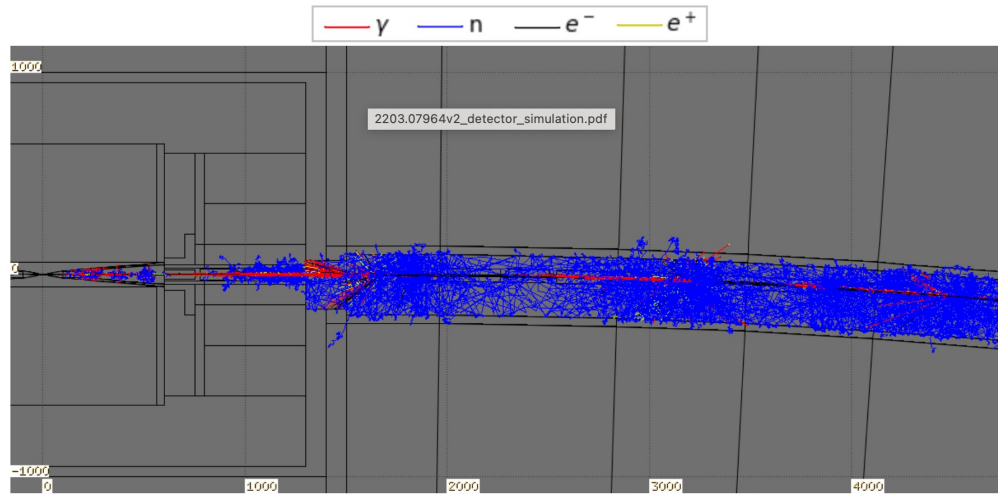


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Design parameters: Staging

Parameter	Symbol	unit	Scenario 1		Scenario 2	
			Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 1	Stage 2
Centre-of-mass energy	E_{cm}	TeV	3	10	10	10
Target integrated luminosity	$\int \mathcal{L}_{\text{target}}$	ab^{-1}	1	10	10	
Estimated luminosity	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{estimated}}$	$10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	2.1	21	tbc	14
Collider circumference	C_{coll}	km	4.5	10	15	15
Collider arc peak field	B_{arc}	T	11	16	11	11
Luminosity lifetime	N_{turn}	turns	1039	1558	1040	1040
Muons/bunch	N	10^{12}	2.2	1.8	1.8	1.8
Repetition rate	f_r	Hz	5	5	5	5
Beam power	P_{coll}	MW	5.3	14.4	14.4	14.4
RMS longitudinal emittance	ε_{\parallel}	eVs	0.025	0.025	0.025	0.025
Norm. RMS transverse emittance	ε_{\perp}	μm	25	25	25	25
IP bunch length	σ_z	mm	5	1.5	tbc	1.5
IP betafunction	β	mm	5	1.5	tbc	1.5
IP beam size	σ	μm	3	0.9	tbc	0.9
Protons on target/bunch	N_p	10^{14}	5	5	5	5
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