

# Various resonance schemes of unstable particles and their verification at lepton colliders

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# Introduction

## Propagator of particles

Energy behavior of the two-point function at tree level:

$$iG^0(p) = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2} = \sim\sim\sim$$

## Resummed propagator of particles

Self energy function: sum of all one-particle irreducible (1PI) contributions

$$i\Pi(p^2) = \sim\sim\sim \text{1PI} \sim\sim\sim$$

Near its pole mass, the propagator is resummed to :

$$\begin{aligned} iG^R(p) &= \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + \Pi(p^2)} = \sim\sim\sim \text{1PI} \sim\sim\sim \\ &\equiv \sim\sim\sim + \sim\sim\sim \text{1PI} \sim\sim\sim + \sim\sim\sim \text{1PI} \sim\sim\sim \text{1PI} \sim\sim\sim + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Unstable particles have  $\text{Im } \Pi \propto \Gamma \neq 0$ .

**Can we expect any different results in different resonance schemes?**

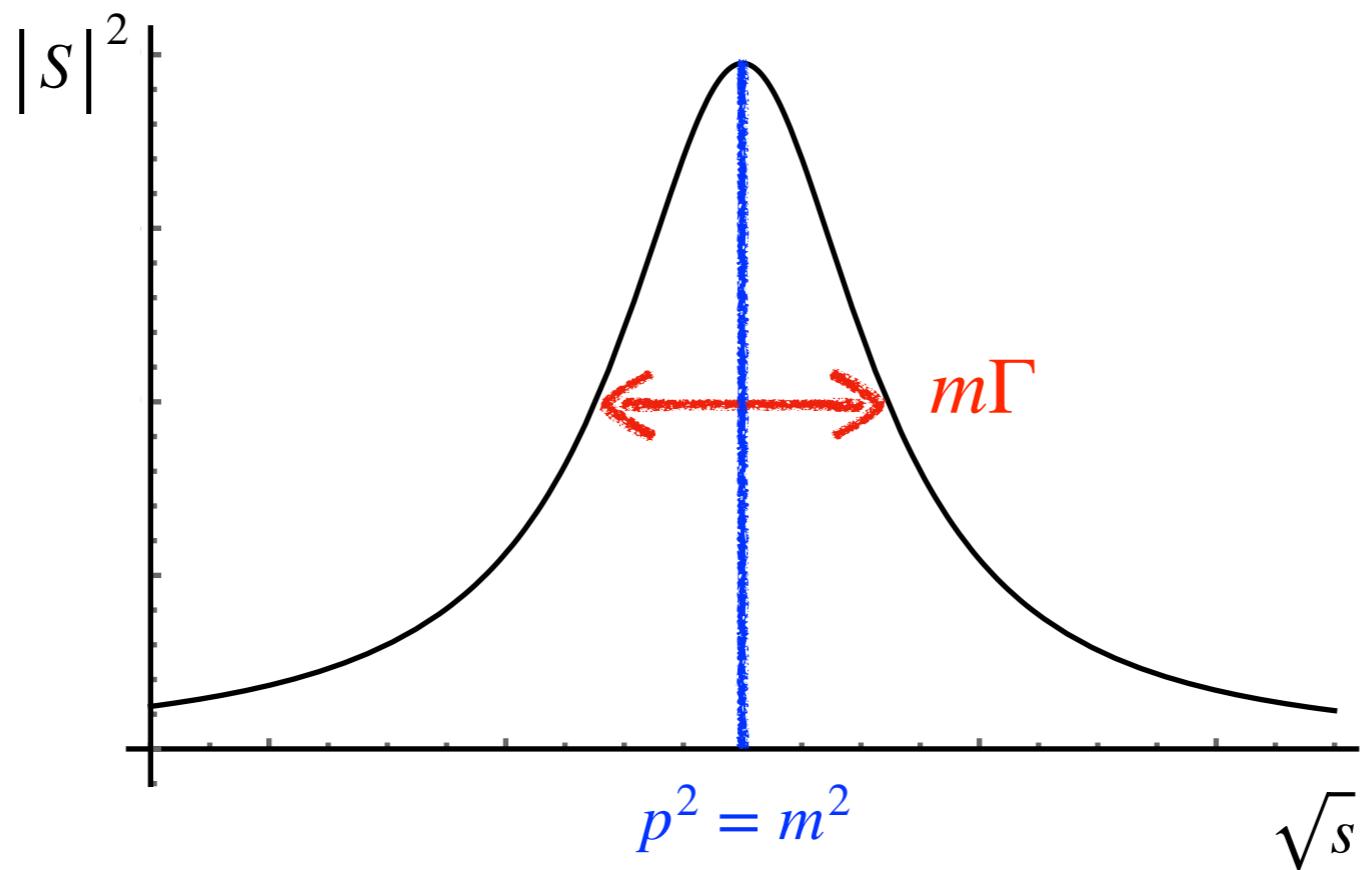
e.g.  $\Gamma = \Gamma(p^2)$  vs constant  $\Gamma$  ?

# Breit-Wigner scheme

## Breit-Wigner resonance (BW)

constant decay rate from the self-energy function

$$\text{Im } \Pi = m \Gamma$$



$$S \propto iG(p) = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + im\Gamma} \rightarrow |S|^2 \propto \frac{1}{(p^2 - m^2)^2 + m^2\Gamma^2}$$

**The pole masses of unstable particles are equivalent to  $m$ .**

# Theoretical scheme

## Mass defined by the complex mass renormalization in QFT

For given self-energy function,

$$i\Pi(p^2) = \text{~~~~~} \text{1PI} \text{~~~~~}$$

Expansion of the self-energy around  $\mu^2$  defined by

$$\mu^2 - m^2 + \Pi(\mu^2) \equiv 0 \quad (\text{complex mass renormalization})$$

$$\Pi(p^2) = \Pi(\mu^2) + \Pi'(\mu^2) \cdot (p^2 - \mu^2) + \dots$$

Resummed propagator:

$$iG^R(p) = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + \Pi(p^2)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + \Pi'(\mu^2)} \cdot \frac{i}{p^2 - \mu^2}$$

~~absorbed  
by couplings~~

Amplitude has a pole at  $p^2 = \mu^2$ ,

and  $\mu$  is generally a complex value, the solution of  $\mu^2 - m^2 + \Pi(\mu^2) = 0$ .

## Expression of the complex mass

Fourier transformation of the amplitude in the rest frame of unstable particles

$$\tilde{S} \equiv \int \frac{dE}{2\pi} S \cdot e^{-iEt} \Bigg|_{\vec{p}=0} \propto \int \frac{dE}{2\pi} \frac{i}{p^2 - \mu^2} \cdot e^{-iEt} \Bigg|_{\vec{p}=0} \propto e^{-i\mu t} \equiv e^{-imt} e^{-\Gamma t/2}$$

Decay mode

$$|\tilde{S}|^2 \propto e^{2\text{Im}[\mu]t} = e^{-\Gamma t} \rightarrow \mu = m - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma$$

## Energy behavior of the squared amplitude

$$|S|^2 \propto \left| \frac{i}{p^2 - \mu^2} \right|^2 = \left[ \left( p^2 - m^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4} \right)^2 + m^2 \Gamma^2 \right]^{-1}$$

complex pole at  $p^2 = \mu^2 \rightarrow$  real pole at  $p^2 = m^2 - \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}$  in the theoretical scheme

**The pole masses of unstable particles are NOT equivalent to  $m$ ,  
but shifted to  $p^2 = m^2 - \Gamma^2/4$ .**

# Energy-dependent-width scheme

## Energy-dependent decay rate used in collider experiments

The decay rate from self-energy is not constant

$$\text{Im } \Pi(p^2) = im \Gamma(p^2)$$

Energy behavior of amplitude in the ED scheme

$$S \propto iG^R(p) = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + \Pi(p^2)} \rightarrow \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + im\Gamma(p^2)}$$

Assuming that decay products are massless,  $\Gamma$  is proportional to  $p^2$ :

$$\text{Im } \Pi(p^2) \propto p^2 \rightarrow \Gamma(p^2) = \frac{p^2}{m^2} \Gamma(p^2 = m^2)$$

decay rate at  
 $p^2 = m^2$

$$iG^R(p) = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + im\Gamma(p^2)} = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + ip^2\Gamma(m^2)/m}$$

# Energy-dependent-width scheme

Corresponding squared amplitude

$$|S|^2 \propto \left[ (p^2 - m^2)^2 + m^2 \Gamma^2(p^2) \right]^{-1} = \left[ (p^2 - m^2)^2 + (p^2 \Gamma(m^2)/m)^2 \right]^{-1}$$

$$= \left( 1 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{m^2} \right)^{-1} \left[ \left( p^2 - \frac{m^2}{1 + \Gamma^2/m^2} \right)^2 + \frac{m^2 \Gamma^2}{\left( 1 + \Gamma^2/m^2 \right)^2} \right]^{-1}$$

**absorbed by couplings  
and  $\Gamma(m^2) = \Gamma$**

Real pole at  $p^2 = \frac{m^2}{1 + \Gamma^2/m^2}$  in the energy-dependent-width scheme

**The pole masses of unstable particles are NOT equivalent to  $m$ .**

**but shifted to**  $p^2 = \frac{m^2}{1 + \Gamma^2/m^2}$ .

# Comparison between distinct schemes

	Breit-Wigner scheme	Theoretical scheme	energy-dependent scheme
$iG^R(p)$ real pole	$\frac{i}{p^2 - m_{\text{BW}}^2 + im_{\text{BW}}\Gamma_{\text{BW}}}$	$\frac{i}{p^2 - m_{\text{Th}}^2 + \Gamma_{\text{Th}}^2/4 + im_{\text{Th}}\Gamma_{\text{Th}}}$	$\frac{i}{p^2 - m_{\text{ED}}^2 + ip^2\Gamma_{\text{ED}}/m_{\text{ED}}}$
	$p^2 = m_{\text{BW}}^2$	$p^2 = m_{\text{Th}}^2 - \frac{\Gamma_{\text{Th}}^2}{4}$	$p^2 = \frac{m_{\text{ED}}^2}{1 + \Gamma_{\text{ED}}^2/m_{\text{ED}}^2}$
mass conversion relation	$m_{\text{BW}}$	$m_{\text{Th}} \simeq m_{\text{BW}} \left( 1 + \frac{\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2}{8m_{\text{BW}}^2} \right)$	$m_{\text{ED}} \simeq m_{\text{BW}} \left( 1 + \frac{\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2}{2m_{\text{BW}}^2} \right)$
	$\Gamma_{\text{BW}}$	$\Gamma_{\text{Th}} \simeq \Gamma_{\text{BW}} \left( 1 - \frac{\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2}{8m_{\text{BW}}^2} \right)$ $(\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2/m_{\text{BW}}^2 \ll 1)$	$\Gamma_{\text{ED}} \simeq \Gamma_{\text{BW}} \left( 1 + \frac{\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2}{2m_{\text{BW}}^2} \right)$ $(\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2/m_{\text{BW}}^2 \ll 1)$

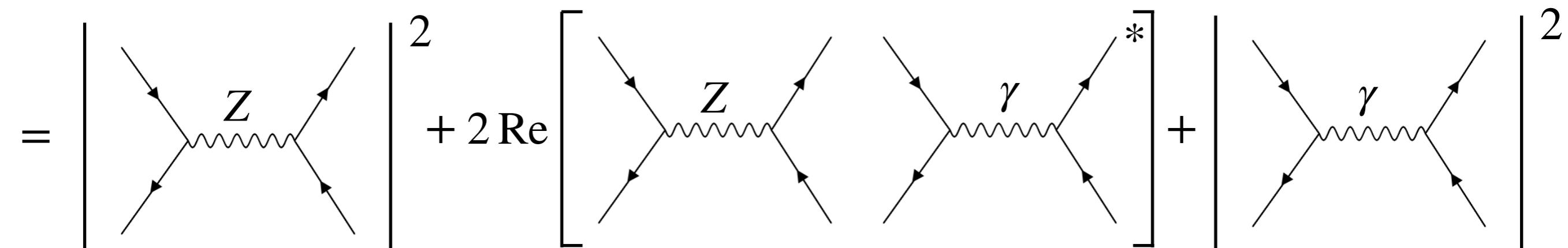
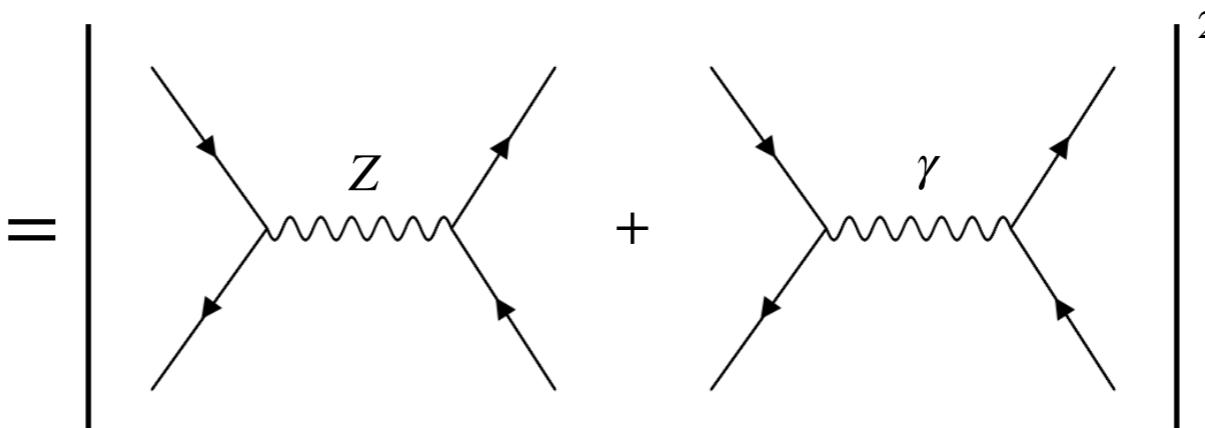
S. Willenbrock and G. Valencia, Phys. Lett. B 259, 373-376 (1991)

**Question: Can we distinguish these three different schemes? YES**

# Z boson resonance

**Z boson production cross-section at leading order**

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow f\bar{f}) \propto |\mathcal{M}_Z + \mathcal{M}_\gamma|^2 \propto \left| \frac{g_{Ze} g_{Zf}}{s - m_Z^2 + \dots} + \frac{Q_e Q_f e^2}{s + i\epsilon} \right|^2$$



interference between Z and photon propagators

# Cross-section formula

Z boson production cross-section at leading order

Scheme	$ \mathcal{M}_Z ^2$	$\mathcal{M}_Z \mathcal{M}_\gamma^* + \mathcal{M}_\gamma \mathcal{M}_Z^*$	$ \mathcal{M}_\gamma ^2$
BW	$\frac{g_{Ze,BW}^2 g_{Zf,BW}^2}{(s - m_{BW}^2)^2 + m_{BW}^2 \Gamma_{BW}^2}$	$2 \frac{g_{Ze,BW} g_{Zf,BW}}{(s - m_{BW}^2)^2 + m_{BW}^2 \Gamma_{BW}^2} \frac{Q_e Q_f e_{BW}^2}{s} (s - m_{BW}^2)$	$\frac{Q_e^2 Q_f^2 e_{BW}^4}{s^2}$
Th	$\frac{g_{Ze,Th}^2 g_{Zf,Th}^2}{(s^2 - m_{Th}^2 + \Gamma_{Th}^2/4)^2 + m_{Th}^2 \Gamma_{Th}^2}$	$2 \frac{g_{Ze,Th} g_{Zf,Th}}{(s^2 - m_{Th}^2 + \Gamma_{Th}^2/4)^2 + m_{Th}^2 \Gamma_{Th}^2} \frac{Q_e Q_f e_{Th}^2}{s} \\ \times (s^2 - m_{Th}^2 + \Gamma_{Th}^2/4)$	$\frac{Q_e^2 Q_f^2 e_{Th}^4}{s^2}$
ED	$\frac{g_{Ze,ED}^2 g_{Zf,ED}^2}{(s - m_{ED}^2)^2 + s^2 \Gamma_{ED}^2/m_{ED}^2}$	$2 \frac{g_{Ze,ED} g_{Zf,ED}}{(s - m_{ED}^2)^2 + s^2 \Gamma_{ED}^2/m_{ED}^2} \frac{Q_e Q_f e_{ED}^2}{s} (s - m_{ED}^2)$	$\frac{Q_e^2 Q_f^2 e_{ED}^4}{s^2}$

It looks complicated...

# Cross-section formula

after using the conversion relations in the previous slide,

Scheme	$ \mathcal{M}_Z ^2$	$\mathcal{M}_Z \mathcal{M}_\gamma^* + \mathcal{M}_\gamma \mathcal{M}_Z^*$	$ \mathcal{M}_\gamma ^2$
BW	$\frac{g_{Ze}^2 g_{Zf}^2}{(s - m^2)^2 + m^2 \Gamma^2}$	$2 \frac{g_{Ze} g_{Zf}}{(s - m^2)^2 + m^2 \Gamma^2} \frac{Q_e Q_f e^2}{s} (s - m^2)$	$\frac{Q_e^2 Q_f^2 e^4}{s^2}$
Th	$\frac{g_{Ze}^2 g_{Zf}^2}{(s - m^2)^2 + m^2 \Gamma^2}$	$2 \frac{g_{Ze} g_{Zf}}{(s - m^2)^2 + m^2 \Gamma^2} \frac{Q_e Q_f e^2}{s} (s - m^2)$	$\frac{Q_e^2 Q_f^2 e^4}{s^2}$
ED	$\frac{g_{Ze}^2 g_{Zf}^2}{(s - m^2)^2 + m^2 \Gamma^2}$	$2 \frac{g_{Ze} g_{Zf}}{(s - m^2)^2 + m^2 \Gamma^2} \frac{Q_e Q_f e^2}{s} \frac{(s - m^2 - \Gamma^2)}{\sqrt{1 + \Gamma^2/m^2}}$	$\frac{Q_e^2 Q_f^2 e^4}{s^2}$

$$m_{\text{BW}} = m, \Gamma_{\text{BW}} = \Gamma, g_{Ze} g_{Zf} = g_{Ze,\text{BW}} g_{Zf,\text{BW}} = g_{Ze,\text{Th}} g_{Zf,\text{Th}} = \frac{g_{Ze,\text{ED}} g_{Zf,\text{ED}}}{\sqrt{1 + \Gamma_{\text{ED}}^2/m_{\text{ED}}^2}}$$

# Z boson measurements

PDG values in BW scheme Phys. Rev. D 110, 030001 (2024)

$$m_Z = 91.1876 \pm 0.0021 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow \delta m/m \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-5})$$

$$\Gamma_Z = 2.4955 \pm 0.0023 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow \delta\Gamma/\Gamma \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$$

from LEP data

Required precision level to distinguish BW and ED schemes

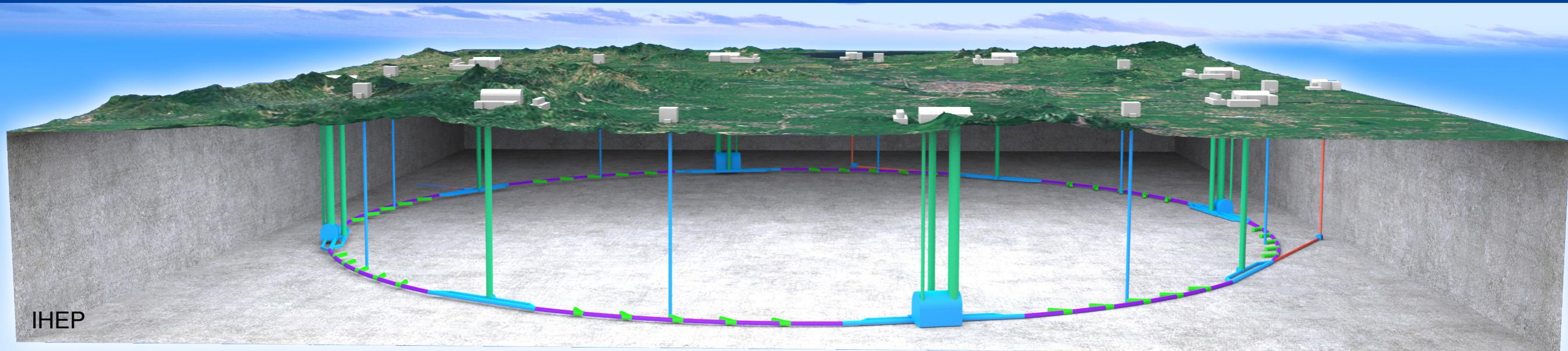
$$m_{\text{ED}} \simeq m_{\text{BW}} \left( 1 + \frac{\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2}{2m_{\text{BW}}^2} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_{\text{ED}} \simeq \Gamma_{\text{BW}} \left( 1 + \frac{\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2}{2m_{\text{BW}}^2} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\delta m}{m} = \frac{\delta\Gamma}{\Gamma} = \frac{\Gamma_Z^2}{2m_Z^2} \simeq 3.7 \times 10^{-4} \quad \text{from the cross-section measurements}$$

insufficient sensitivity at LEP:  $\delta\Gamma/\Gamma \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$

**Distinguishable at future lepton colliders?**

# Test at CEPC



## Circular Electron Positron Collider (CEPC)

CEPC Conceptual Design Report: Volume 2 - Physics & Detector

A future lepton collider proposed by the Chinese particle physics community for precision measurements of Higgs, Z and W bosons and searches for BSM physics.

Test at CEPC (five data points for Z factory)

at Z pole:  $\mathcal{L} = 100 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = m_Z$   $\rightarrow \sim 3 \times 10^{12}$  of Z events

off-Z pole:  $\mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} - m_Z = \pm 1, \pm 2 \text{ GeV}$

Expected uncertainties at CEPC CEPC, Snowmass 2021

unc. lumi.:  $\delta\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L} = 5 \times 10^{-5}$

unc. stat.:  $\delta N/N \simeq 10^{-6}$

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# BW vs ED Test at CEPC

Data points CEPC, Snowmass 2021

$$\mathcal{L} = 100 \text{ ab}^{-1} \text{ at } \sqrt{s} \simeq 91.2$$

$$\mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ ab}^{-1} \text{ at } \sqrt{s} \simeq 87.9, 90.2, 92.2, 94.3 \text{ GeV}$$

Z line-shape scan and forward-backward asymmetry as observables

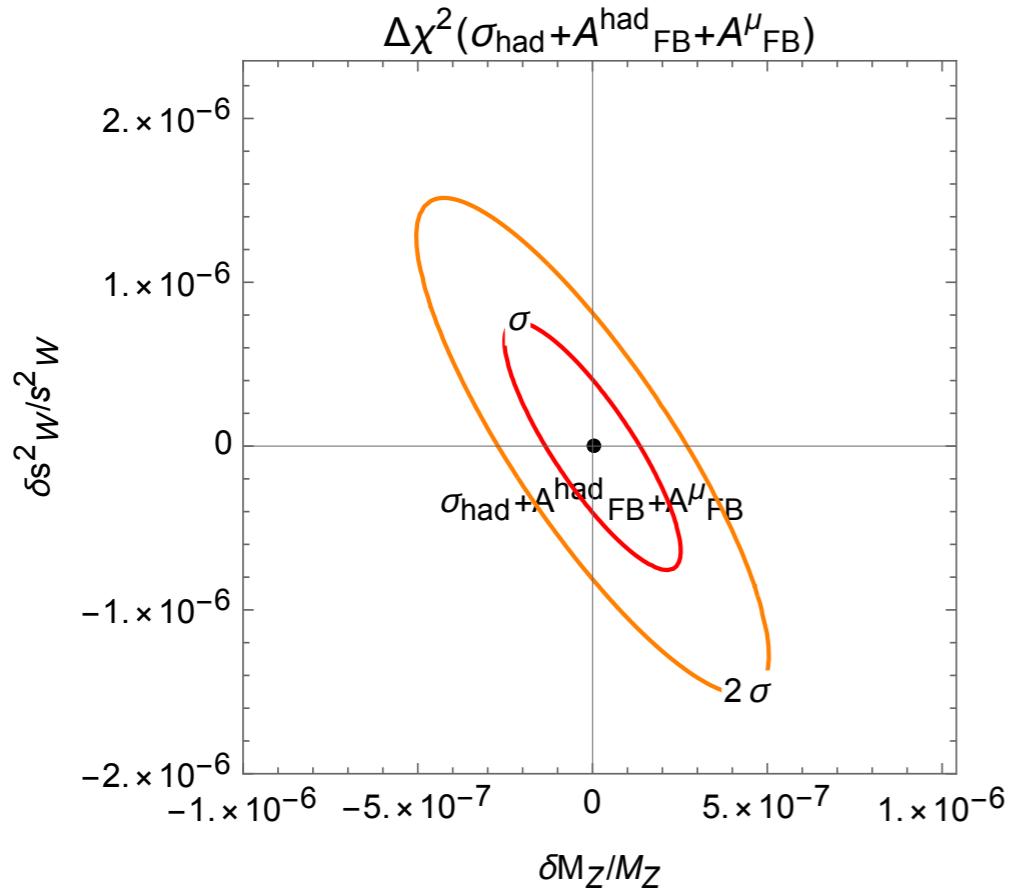
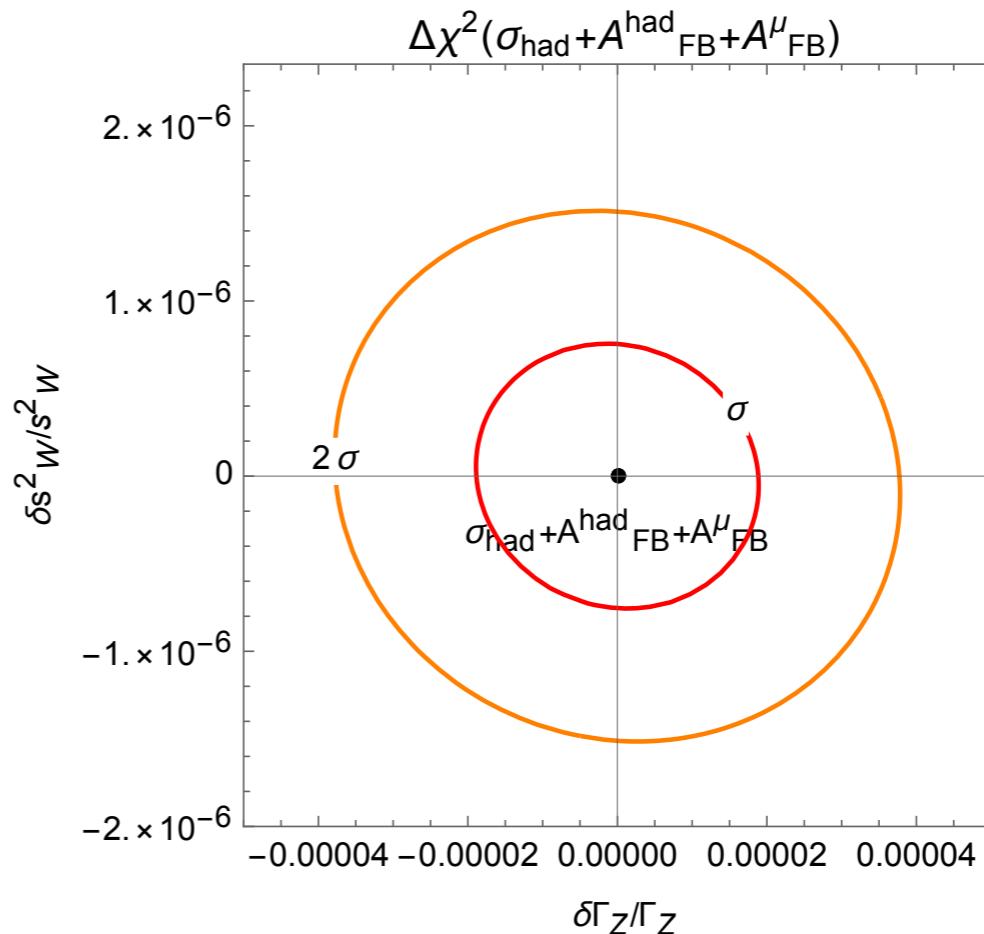
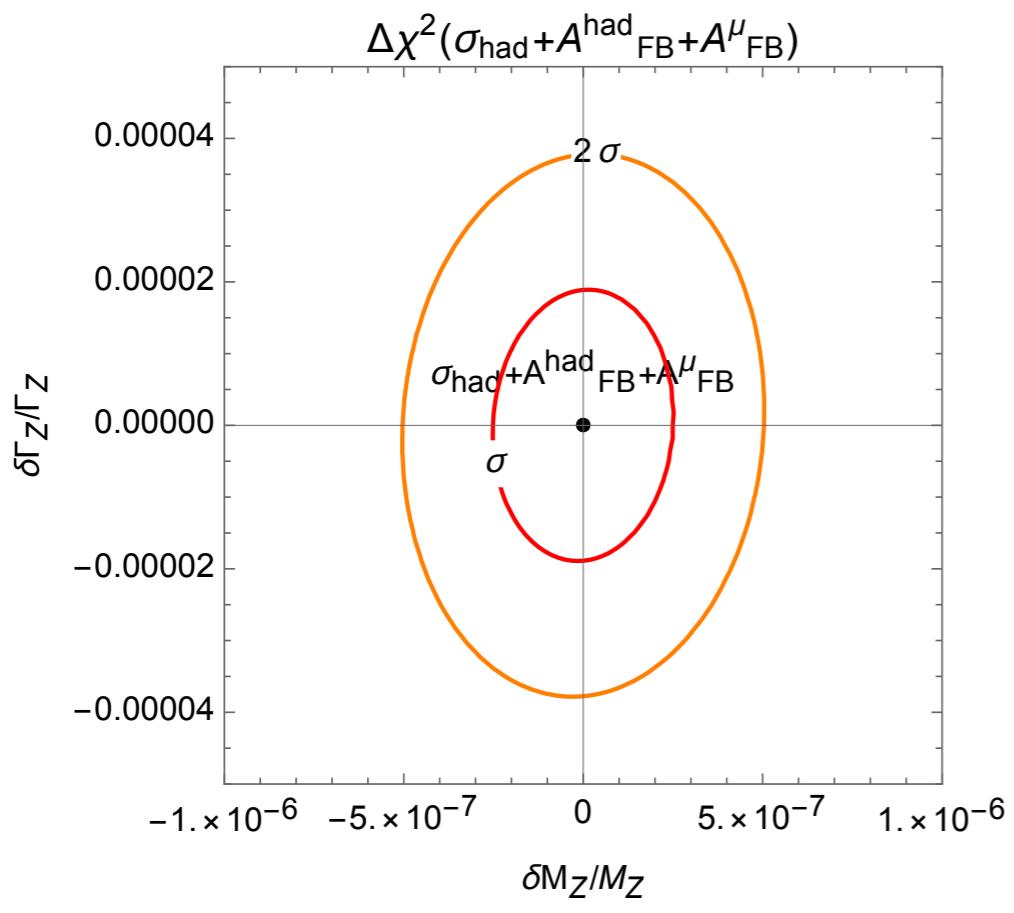
$$\mathcal{O}^i = \sigma_{\text{had}}, A_{\text{FB}}^\mu, A_{\text{FB}}^{q=u,d,s,c,b} \quad \left( A_{\text{FB}}^f = \frac{\sigma_F^f - \sigma_B^f}{\sigma_F^f + \sigma_B^f} \right)$$

Chi-square fitting between BW and ED schemes

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \left( \frac{\mathcal{O}_{\text{BW}}^i - \mathcal{O}_{\text{ED}}^i}{\delta \mathcal{O}_{\text{ED}}^i} \right)^2 \text{ with fitting parameters } m_Z, \Gamma_Z, \sin^2 \theta_W$$

Chi-square minimum between BW and ED schemes

$$\chi^2_{\min} \simeq 5.1 \times 10^5$$



Fitting parameters:  $m_Z, \Gamma_Z, \sin^2 \theta_W$

Marginalization of the remaining parameter

$$\begin{aligned} \delta m/m &\sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-6}) \\ \delta \Gamma/\Gamma &\sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-5}) \end{aligned} \quad < \quad \Gamma_Z^2/(2m_Z^2) \simeq 3.7 \times 10^{-4}$$

**CPEC is expected to have sufficient precision to differentiate BW and ED schemes.**

# BW vs Th Test at CEPC

## Opposite scaling behaviors of the decay rate

1. from BW-to-Th conversion relations

$$m_{\text{Th}} \simeq m_{\text{BW}} \left( 1 + \frac{\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2}{8m_{\text{BW}}^2} \right) = m_{\text{BW}} R_Z, \quad \Gamma_{\text{Th}} \simeq \Gamma_{\text{BW}} \left( 1 - \frac{\Gamma_{\text{BW}}^2}{8m_{\text{BW}}^2} \right) = \Gamma_{\text{BW}} R_Z^{-1}$$

$$\text{Im } \Pi_Z = m_{\text{BW}} \Gamma_{\text{BW}} = m_{\text{Th}} \Gamma_{\text{Th}}$$

~~What we actually measure from data~~

$$\Gamma \propto m^{-1} \text{ regardless of BW or ED}$$

2. from the leading order expression of the Z decay width in QFT

$$\Gamma(m) = \sum_f \frac{m}{24\pi} \left[ g_L^2 + g_R^2 - (g_L^2 + g_R^2 - 6g_L g_R) \frac{m_f^2}{m_Z^2} \right] \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_f^2}{m^2}} \propto m$$

# BW vs Th Test at CEPC

Comparison between BW and Th schemes

$$m_{\text{Th}} R_Z^{-1} \text{ vs } m_{\text{BW}}, \quad \Gamma(m_{\text{Th}}) R_Z \text{ vs } \Gamma_{\text{BW}}$$

Expected sensitivities at CEPC CEPC, Snowmass 2021

$$\Delta m_Z = 0.1 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Delta \Gamma_Z = 0.025 \text{ MeV}$$

one-parameter fitting ( $m_{\text{Th}}$ ) between BW and Th schemes

$$\chi^2 = \left( \frac{m_{\text{Th}} R_Z^{-1} - m_{\text{BW}}}{\Delta m_Z} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\Gamma(m_{\text{Th}}) R_Z - \Gamma_{\text{BW}}}{\Delta \Gamma_Z} \right)^2$$

Chi-square minimum between BW and Th schemes

$$\chi^2_{\text{min}} \simeq 326 \quad \text{with fixed } m_{\text{BW}} = 91.1876 \text{ GeV}$$

# Summary

- There are various resonance schemes describing unstable particles: Breit-Wigner, Theoretical, energy-dependent-width schemes as an S-matrix Ansatz.
- Using the chi-square fitting, we found that Z boson measurements at CEPC is expected to distinguish different resonance schemes with sufficient precision.
- Future work: numerical implementation via MadGraph5\_aMC@NLO

**Thank you for your attention.**