

Higgs to invisible limits at FCC-ee

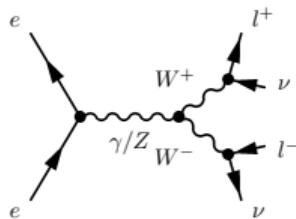
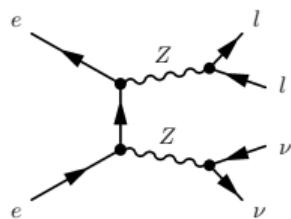
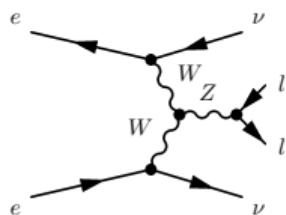
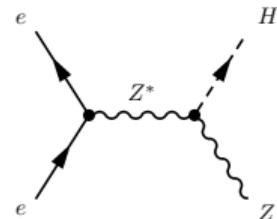
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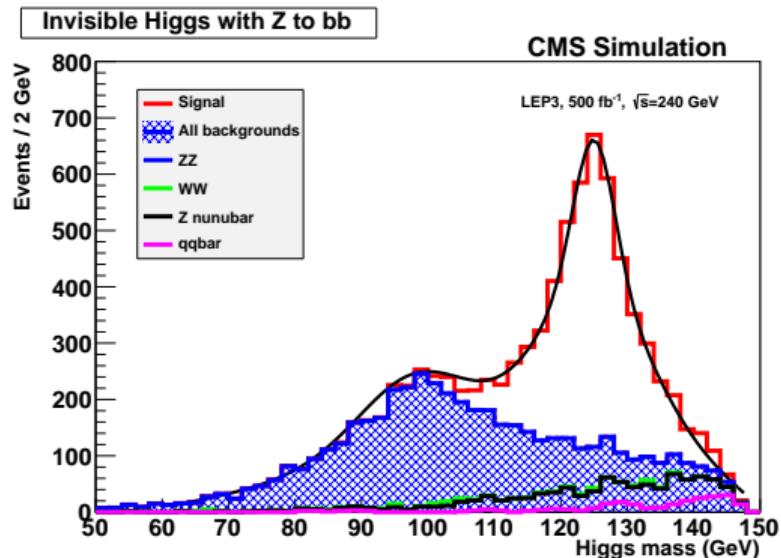
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Introduction



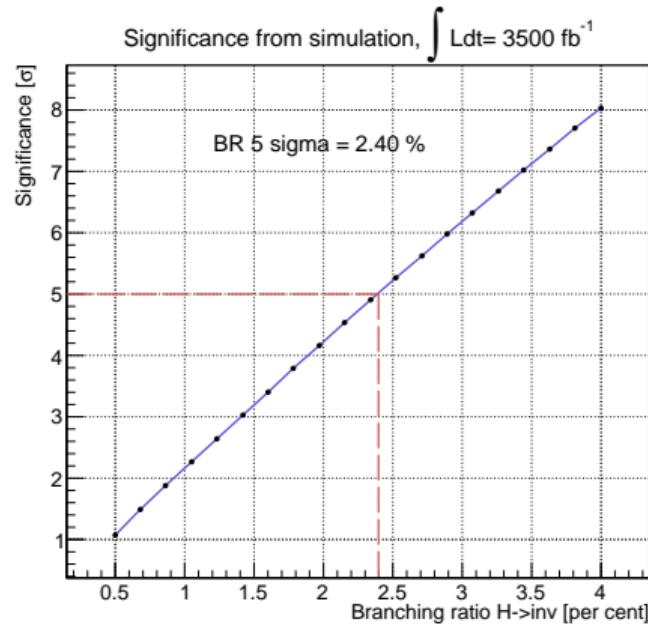
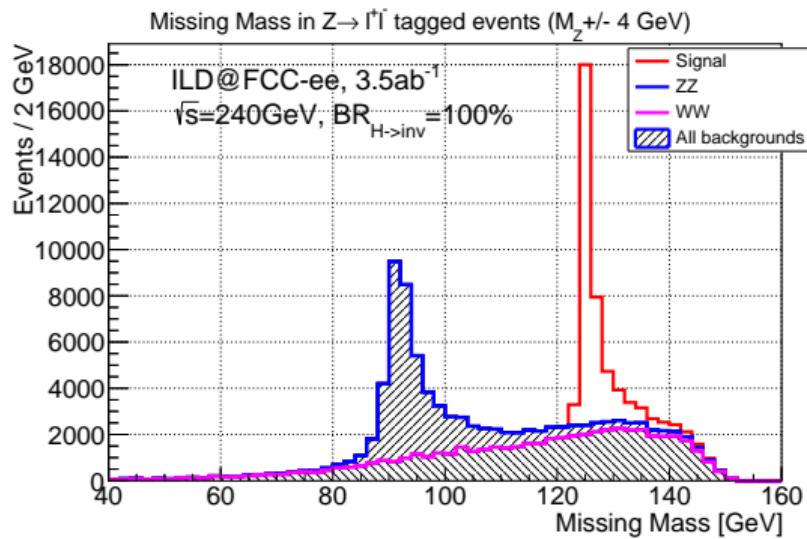
- Standard Model Higgs to invisible decays occur through neutrinos, $BR \sim 0.1\%$
 - Can be enhanced through decays to dark matter particles
- Current LHC limits stand at $\sim 11\%$ [ATLAS-CONF-2020-052]
- Clean environment of the FCC-ee present a great opportunity to improve limits by an order of magnitude



- 5 σ observation of $H \rightarrow \text{inv.}$ for branching fractions $> 4.0\%$ for 0.5 ab^{-1} in combined $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$ and $Z \rightarrow bb$ final states

Previous Studies

[Eur. Phys. J. C (2017) 77:p. 116]



5 sigma observation of $H \rightarrow \text{inv.}$ for branching fractions $> 1.7\%$ with ILD design for 3.5 ab^{-1} using $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$ channels

Simulation

Setup

- Simulated events generated using PYTHIA and DELPHES
 - IDEA detector
 - e^+e^- at 240 GeV
- Analysis performed primarily in the FCCAnalyses framework

Samples

- WW and ZZ , inclusive samples of 10M events each
- ZH samples split into signal ($H \rightarrow inv$) and background of 1M events each
 - Separate samples for $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$, $Z \rightarrow ee$ and $Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$

ZH Final States

- We consider five different final states corresponding to the Z decay with simple kinematic selections

$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu, p_T(\mu) > 10 \text{ GeV}, 80 < M_{\mu\mu} < 100 \text{ GeV}$

$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu, p_T(e) > 10 \text{ GeV}, 80 < M_{ee} < 100 \text{ GeV}$

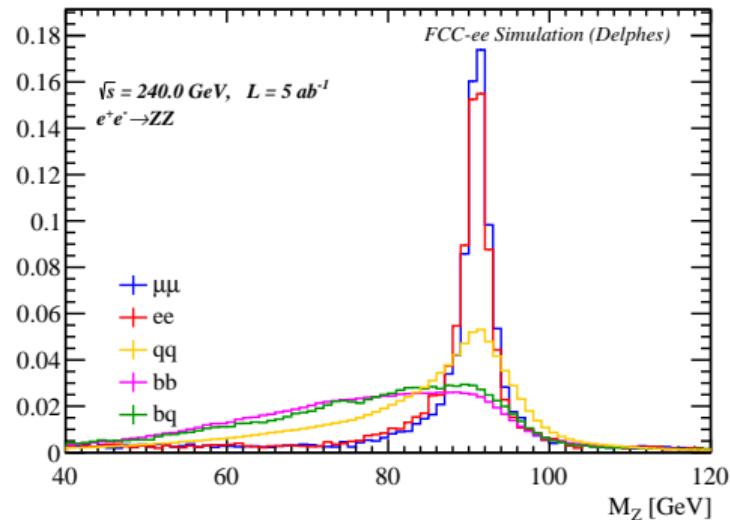
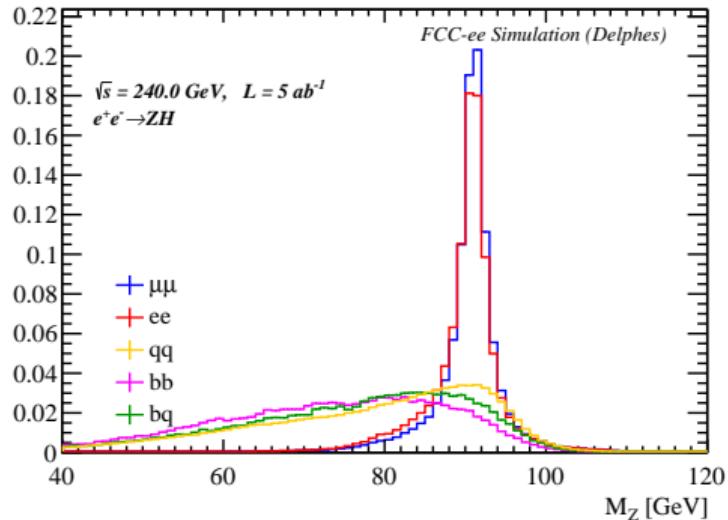
$Z \rightarrow bb, p_T(b) > 10 \text{ GeV}, 60 < M_{bb} < 100 \text{ GeV}$

$Z \rightarrow bj, p_T(b) > 10 \text{ GeV}, 60 < M_{bj} < 100 \text{ GeV}$

$Z \rightarrow jj, p_T(j) > 10 \text{ GeV}, 60 < M_{jj} < 100 \text{ GeV}$

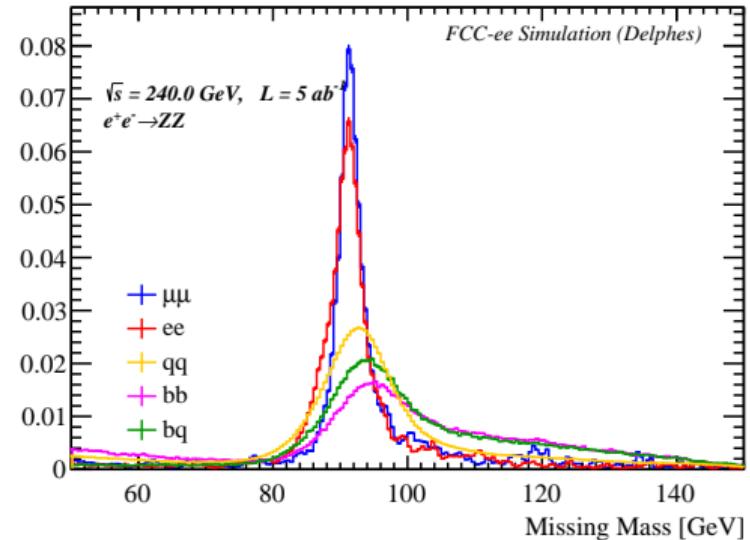
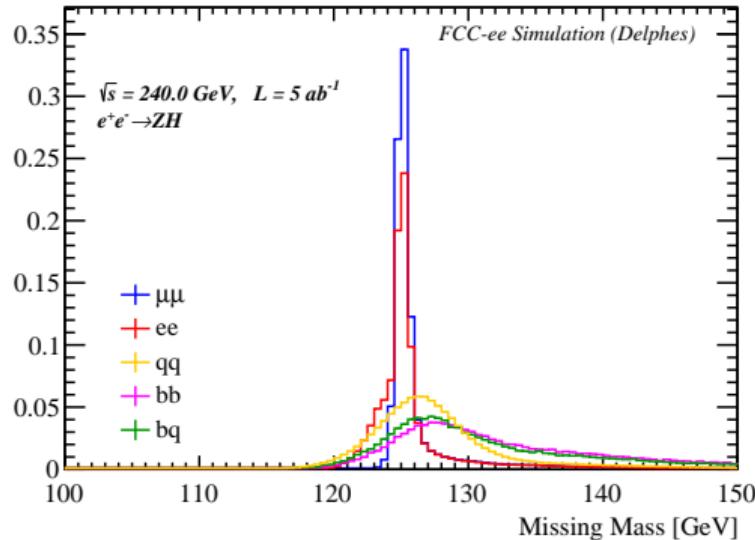
- b refers to a b -tagged jet, j is any other jet
- We only consider events where there is exactly one Z candidate, except for the jj final state, where we require at least one candidate

M_Z resolution



- Normalised for comparison, no requirement on M_{miss} .
- Clear leptonic peaks, jets smeared to lower values
- Candidate “closest” to Z mass displayed for qq channel
- b jet final states smeared to lowest values

M_{miss} Mass resolution



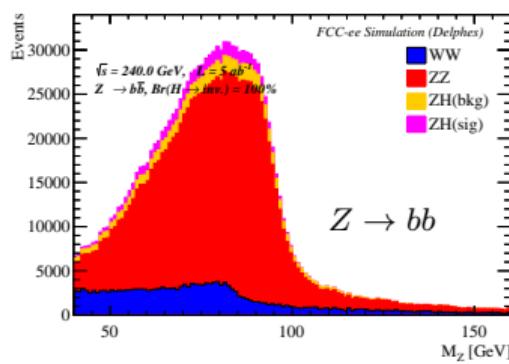
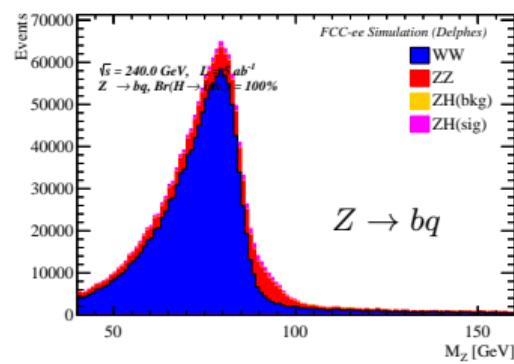
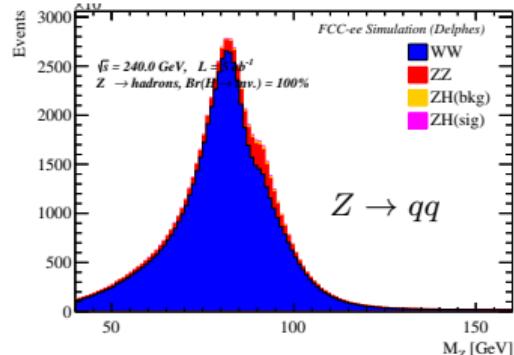
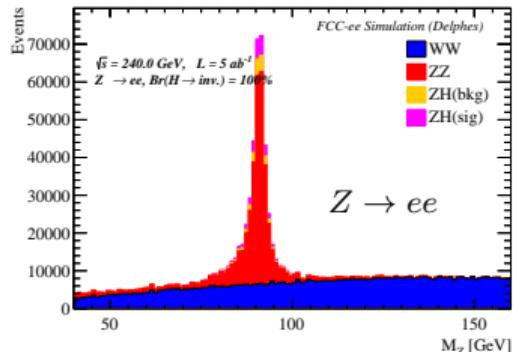
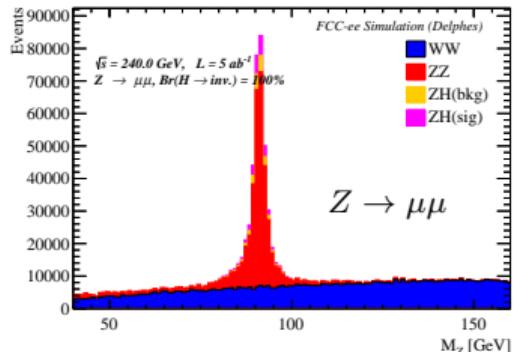
- Missing mass computed by subtracting visible momentum from initial beam energy
 - Initial energy of 240 GeV smeared by 0.2 GeV to simulate BES
- Lower Z mass peak manifests as high mass M_{miss} tail
- Normalised for comparison

Yields

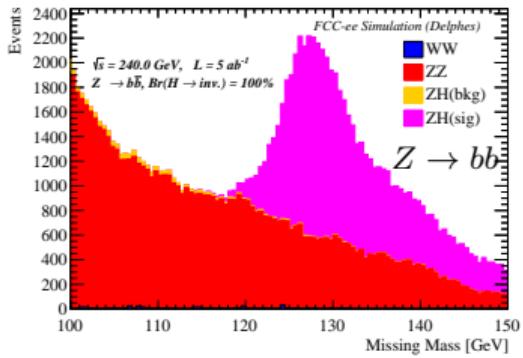
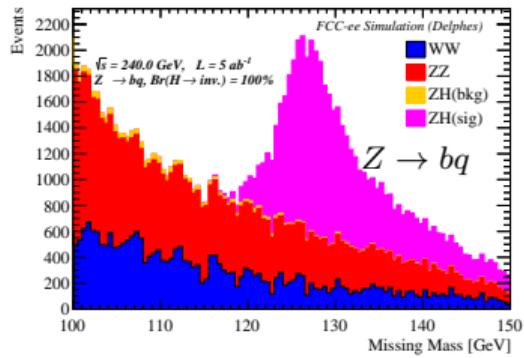
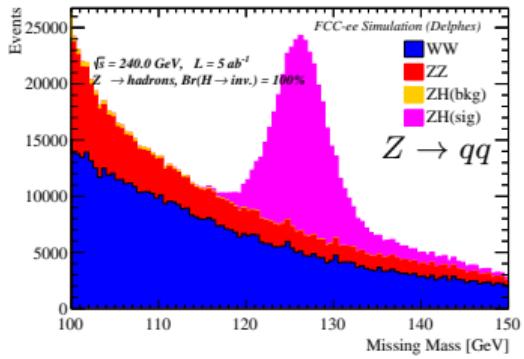
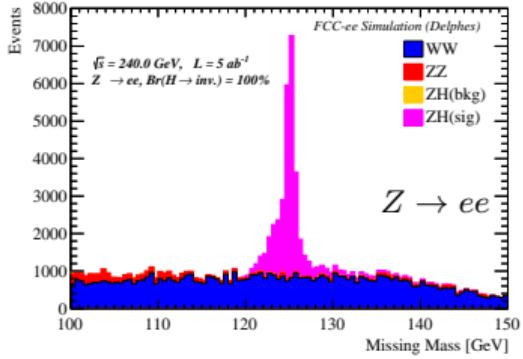
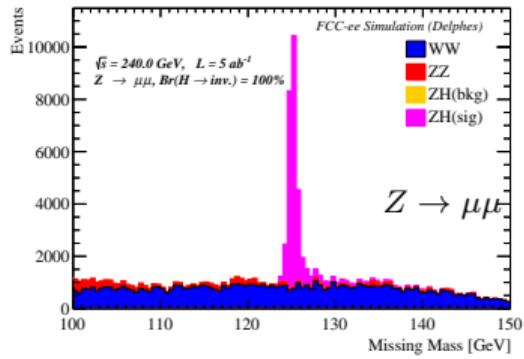
- Expected yields normalised using PYTHIA cross-sections and branching fractions to an integrated luminosity of 5 ab^{-1}
 - $\sigma_{WW} = 16.4385 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
 - $\sigma_{ZZ} = 11.358 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
 - $\sigma_{ZH} = 0.201 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Yield comparisons after Z mass requirement, where $M_{\text{miss}} > 20 \text{ GeV}$

	$ZH(H \rightarrow \text{inv.})$ $\mathcal{B} = 100\%$	$ZH(H \not\rightarrow \text{inv.})$	WW	ZZ
$\mu\mu$	28k	7k	129k	75k
ee	27k	7k	127k	71k
qq	300k	155k	14087k	1295k
bq	37k	6k	484k	117k
bb	46k	24k	16k	253k

- Comparable yield across all final states, with exception of high stats, low purity dijet channel

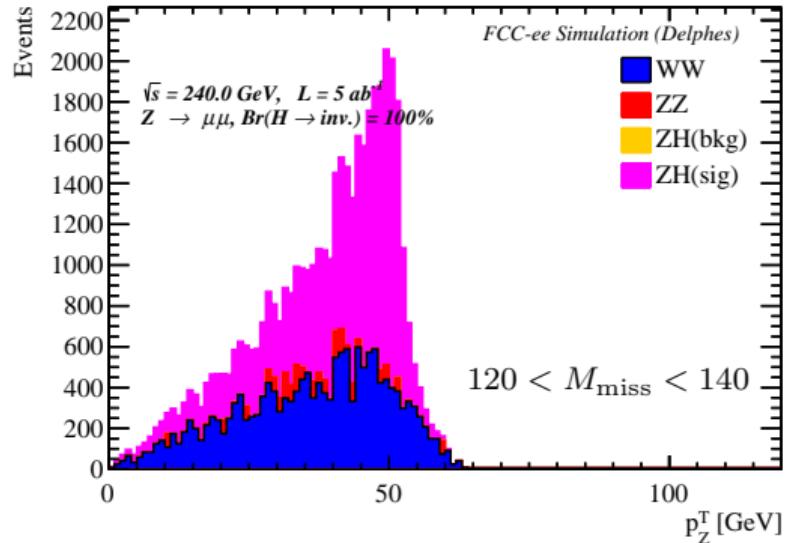
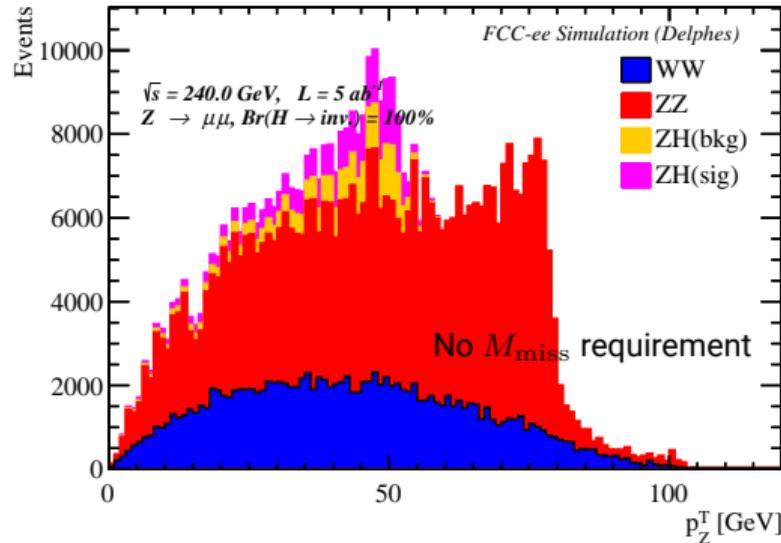


- $H \rightarrow \text{inv}$ branching fraction set to 100% throughout the plots for visual comparison
- WW background dominates across all the channels, most prominent in hadronic, suppressed by b tagging requirement



- Larger ZZ backgrounds in bb and bq channels due to high M_{miss} tail

Other requirements

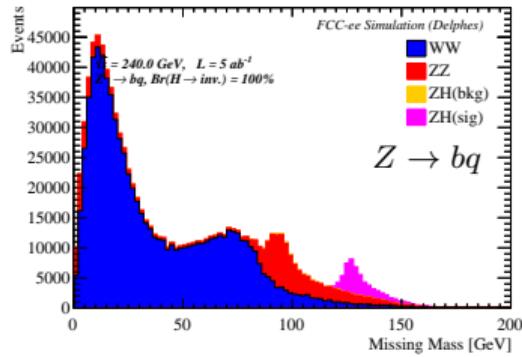
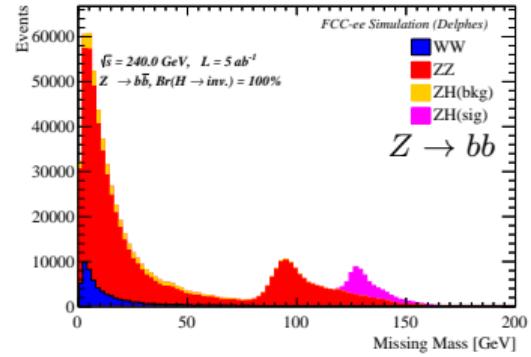
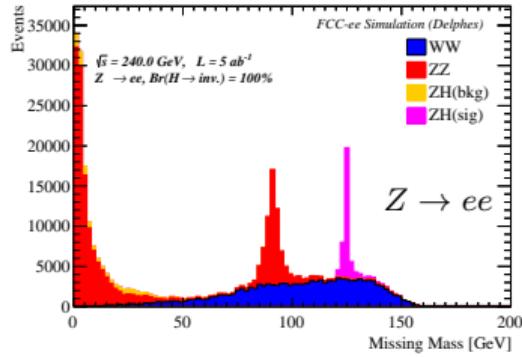
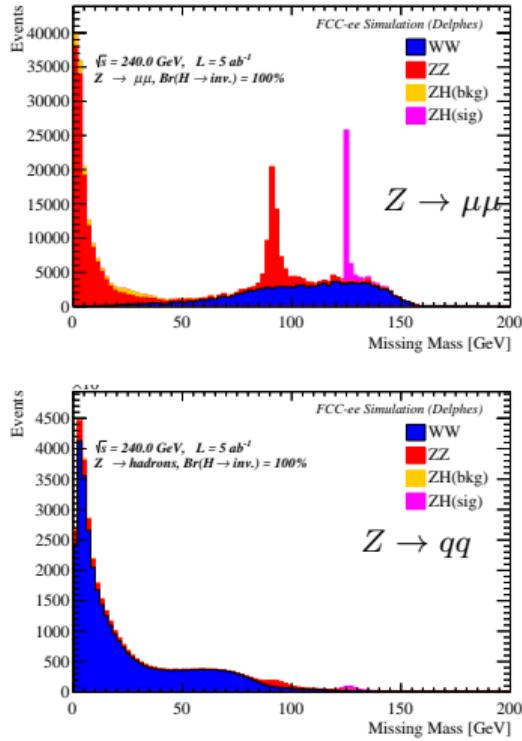


- We've explored additional requirements, $p_T^{\ell\ell}$, photon multiplicity etc...
- However, no significant separation once we restrict ourselves to the Higgs mass region in the m_{miss} distribution
- For now, focus just on our two key variables, M_{miss}, M_Z

Limit Calculation

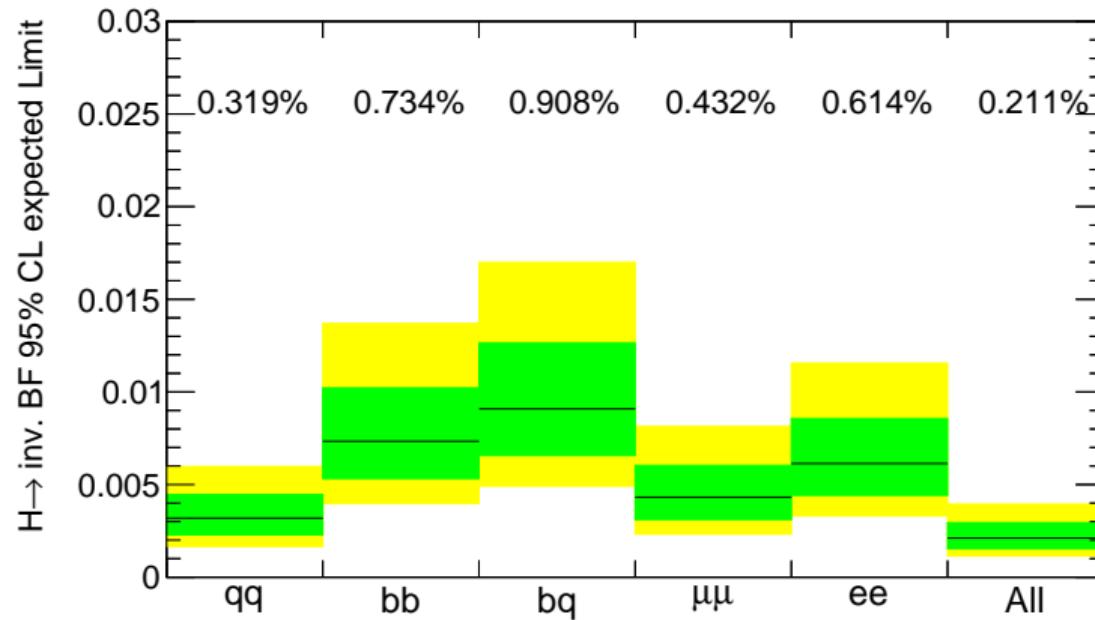
- Significance evaluated using HISTFITTER [*Eur. Phys. J. C* (2015) 75:p. 153]
- Template fit using signal and background shapes for each signal hypothesis
 - ZH background fixed, WW and ZZ allowed to float
- Confidence intervals are based on a profile-likelihood-ratio test statistic
- Only considering statistical uncertainties currently
- Performed individually for each final state and for the combination

M_{miss} (full range)

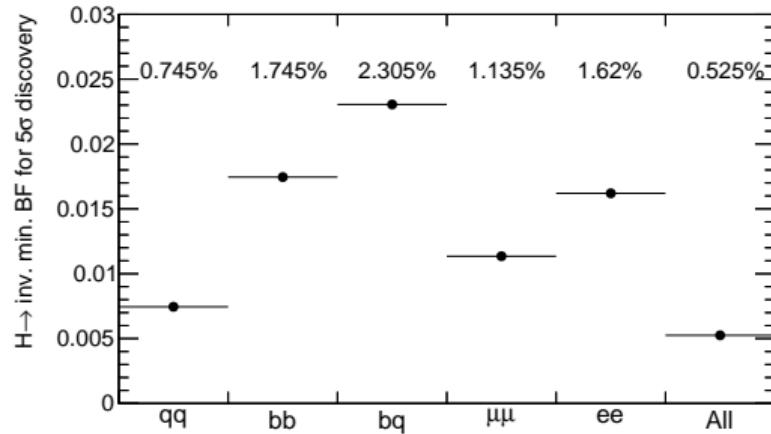
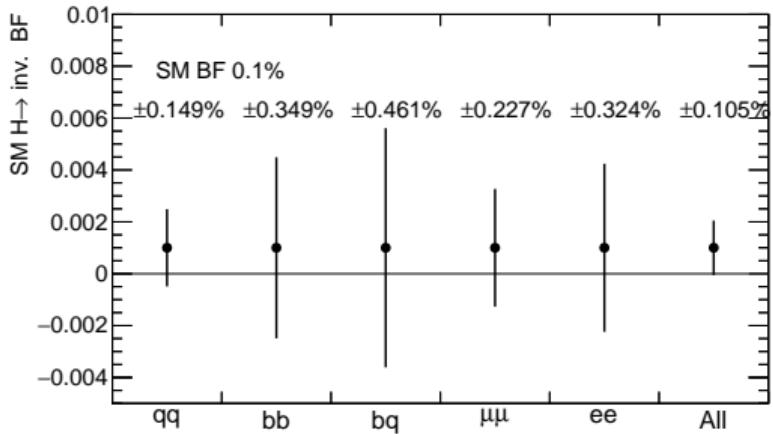


- We fit the full range to take advantage of the background peaks

Limits



Discovery Prospects

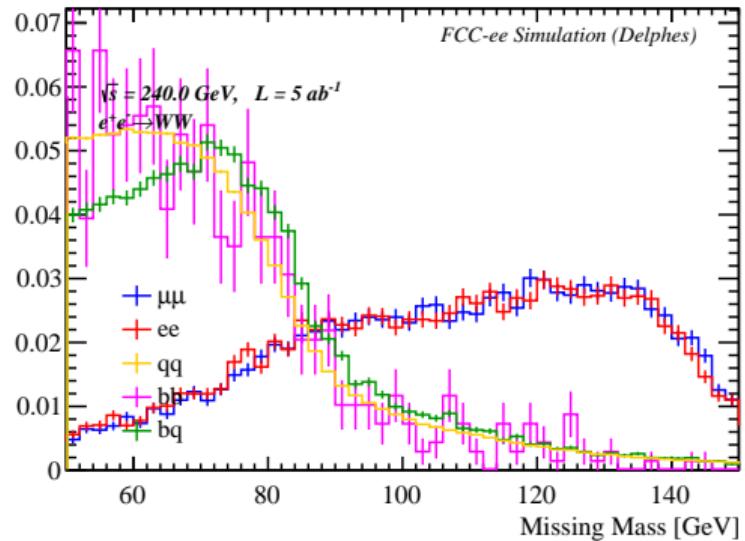
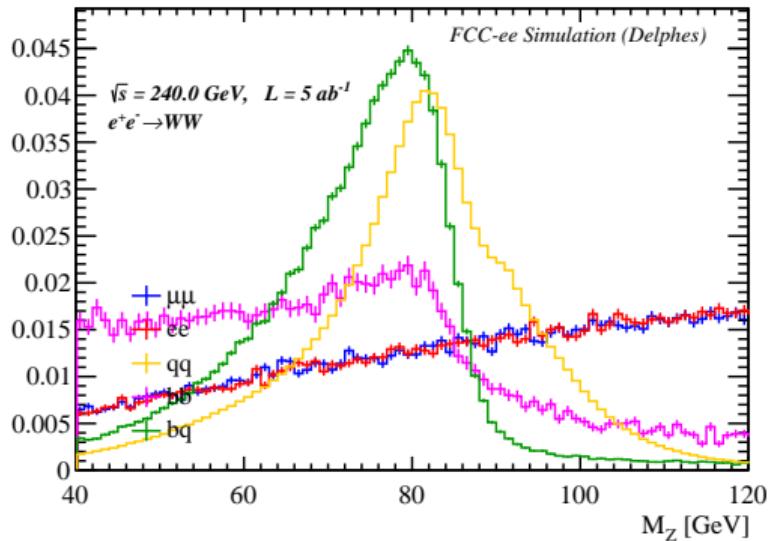


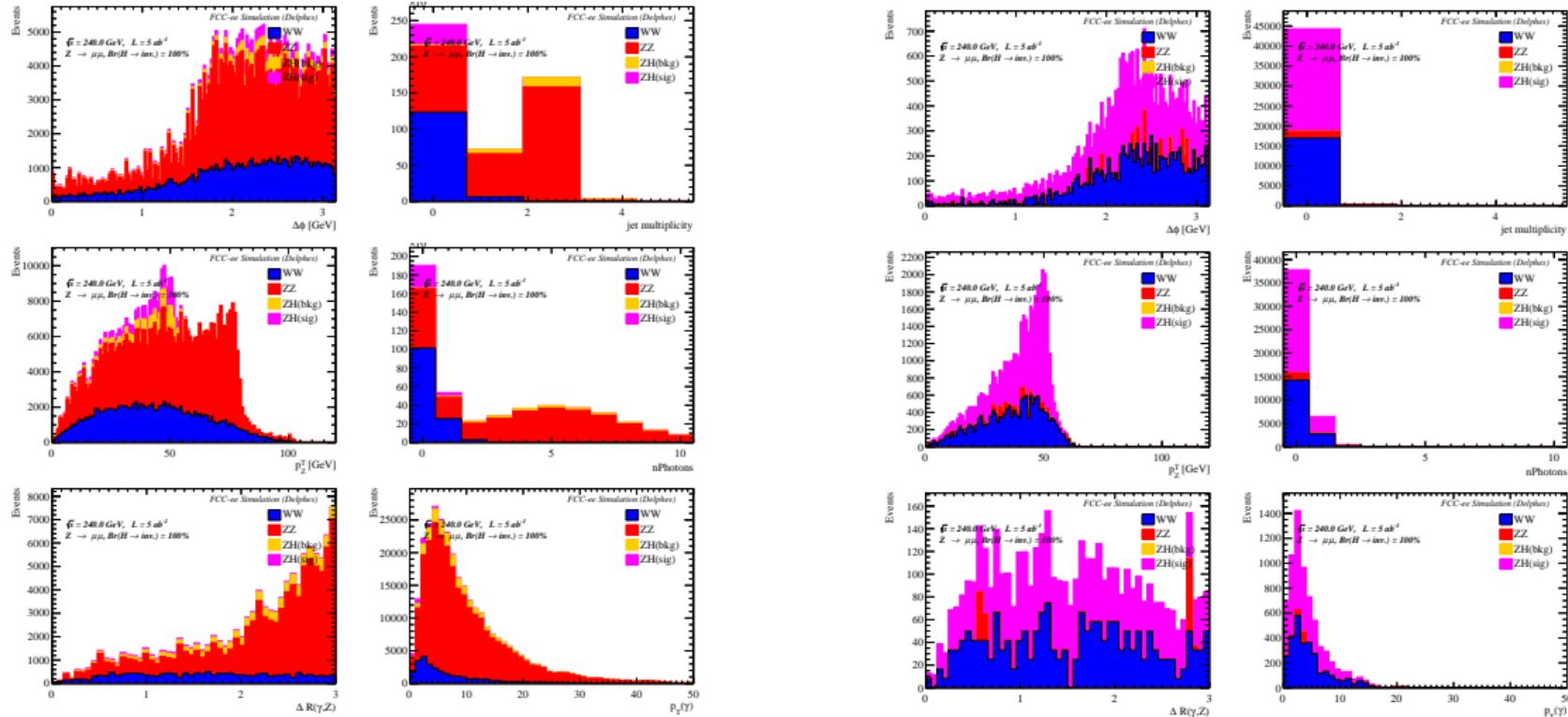
We can (left) measure SM BR with an uncertainty of 100% or (right) discover non-SM BR with significance of 5σ if $\text{BR} \gtrsim 5 \times \text{SM } 5\sigma$ limit defined as $\mu/\delta(\mu) = 5$

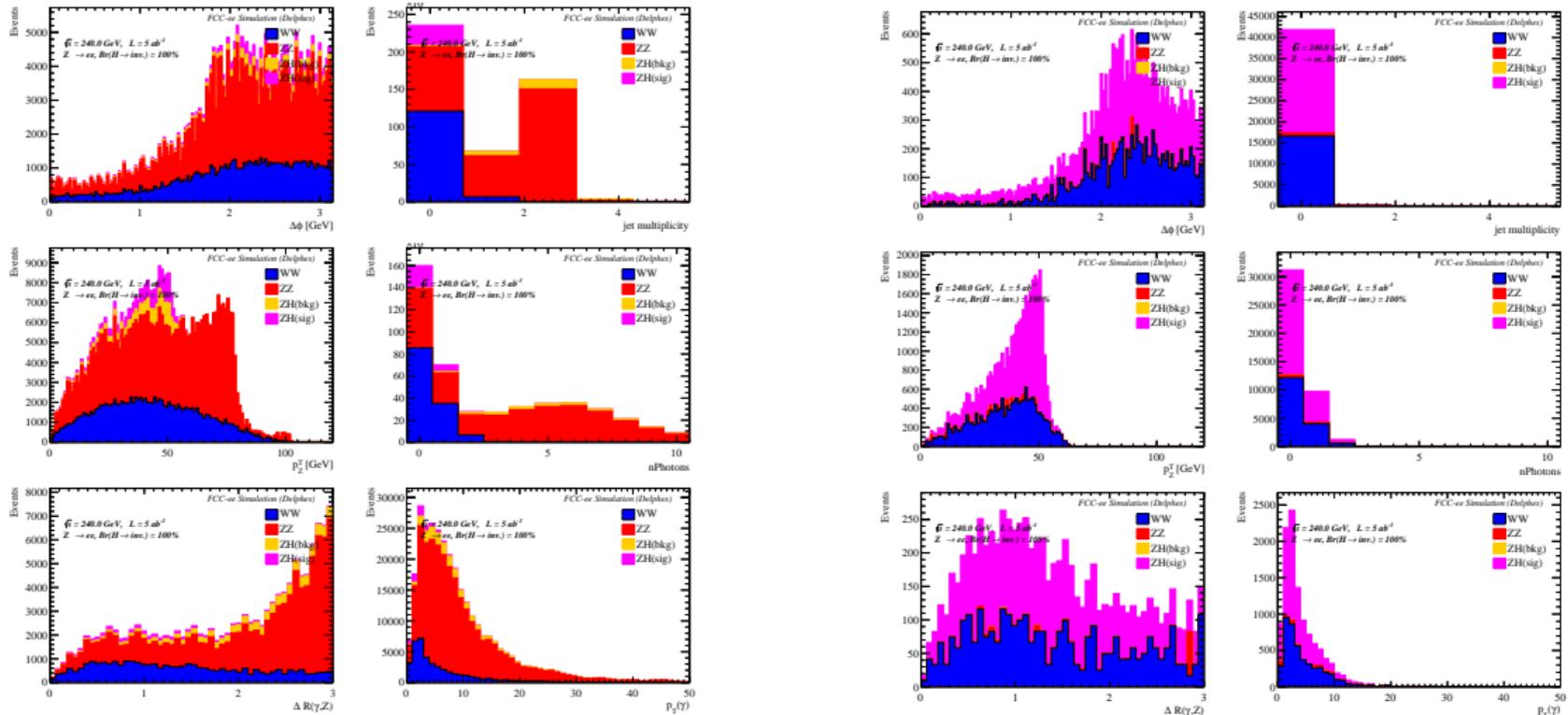
Conclusion and to-do

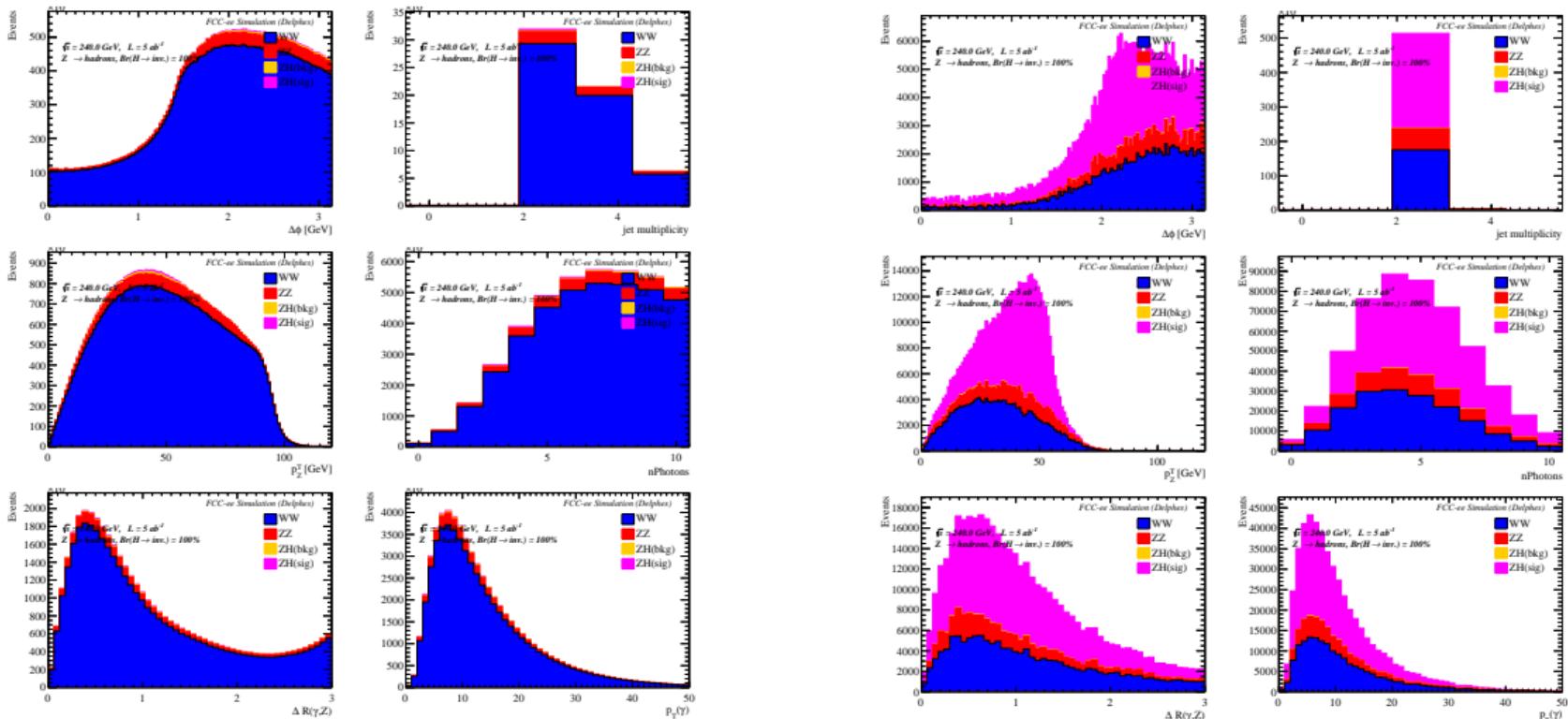
- A first study indicates that it may be possible to discover $\sim 5\times\text{SM}$ in the Higgs to invisible BR through a combination of final states
 - Individually, the best limit comes from the light dijet final state
- Further optimisations should be possible (selection, constrained Z mass, jet energy corrections etc...)
- Statistics only, systematic uncertainties yet to be considered
- Rarer backgrounds should also be considered
- Switch to using centrally produced EDM4HEP samples

backup









$Z \rightarrow bq$

