

Sensitivity of future linear colliders to processes of dark matter production with light mediator exchange

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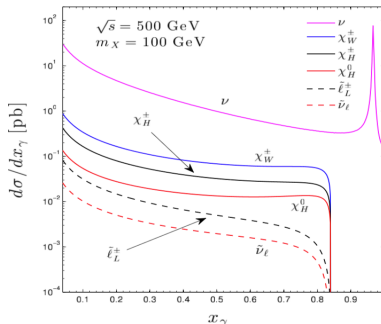
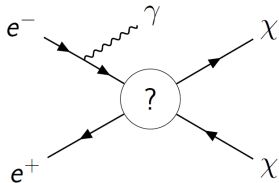
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Introduction



Mono-photon signature

The mono-photon signature is considered to be the most general way to look for **DM particle production** in future e^+e^- colliders.



DM can be pair produced in the e^+e^- collisions via exchange of a new **mediator particle**, which couples to both electrons (SM) and DM states

This process can be detected, if **additional hard photon radiation** from the initial state is observed in the detector...

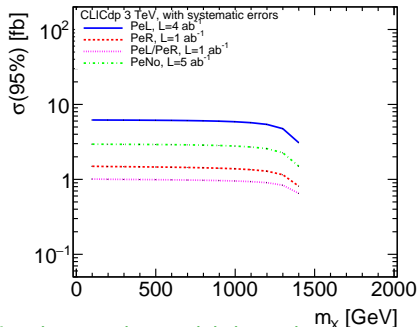
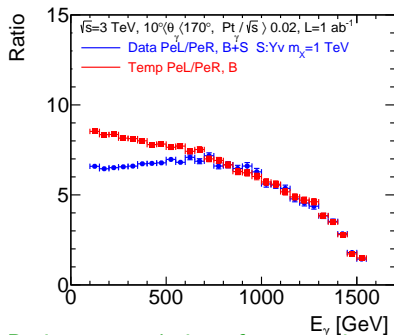
Heavy mediator approximation, generator level

arXiv:2103.06006

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high energy, isolated photon no other “hard” activity in the detector

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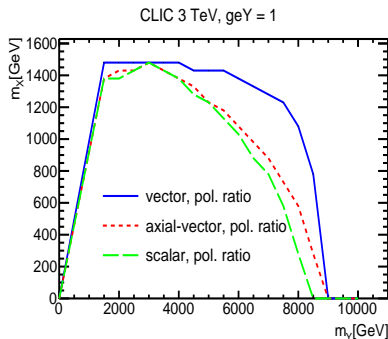
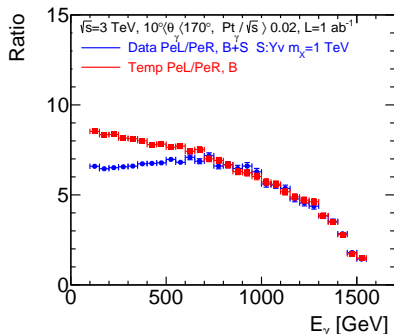
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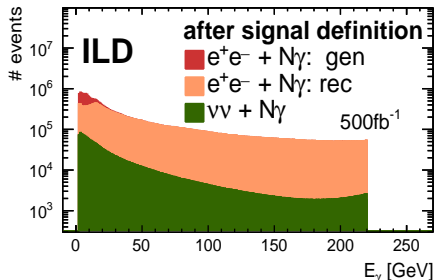
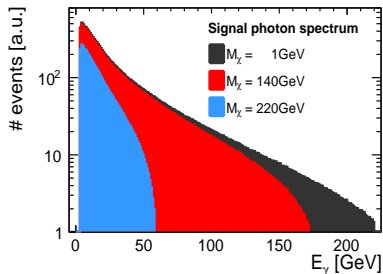
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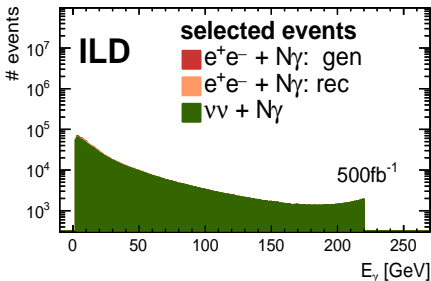
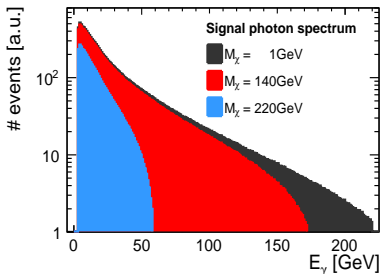
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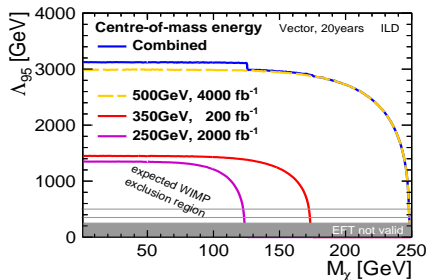
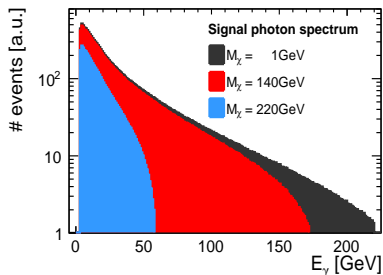
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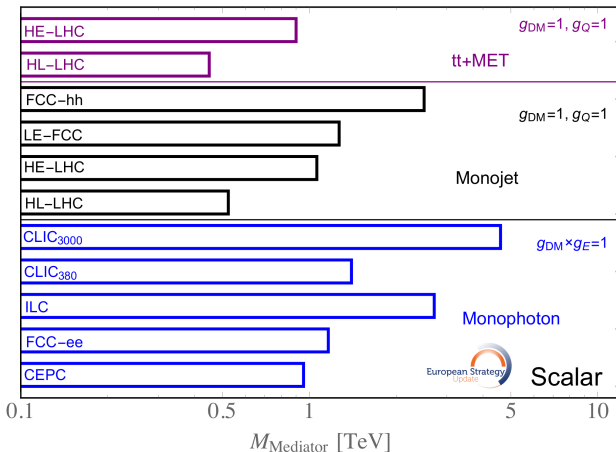


Sensitivity to the BSM mass scales up to $\Lambda \sim 3\text{ TeV}$

$$\Lambda^2 = \frac{M_Y^2}{|g_{eeY}g_{\chi\chi Y}|}$$

Comparison of mass scale limits

calculated in the EFT framework



e^+e^- mass reach comparable with that of FCC-hh !!!

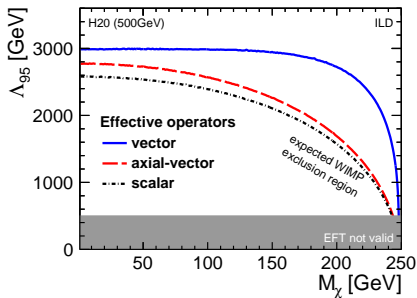
New analysis approach

Most of the studies performed so far focused on **heavy mediator** exchange (EFT limit) and **coupling values $\mathcal{O}(1)$**
 \Rightarrow extracted were limits on DM or mediator masses

In our study:

- focus on **light mediator** exchange (**DM even lighter**)
- consider **very small mediator couplings** to SM, $\Gamma_{\text{SM}} \ll \Gamma_{\text{tot}}$

“Experimental-like” approach \Rightarrow focus on cross section limits as a function of mediator mass and width



ILD study: [arXiv:2001.03011](https://arxiv.org/abs/2001.03011)

Phys. Rev. D 101, 075053 (2020)

CLIC study: [arXiv:2103.06006](https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.06006)

Publications

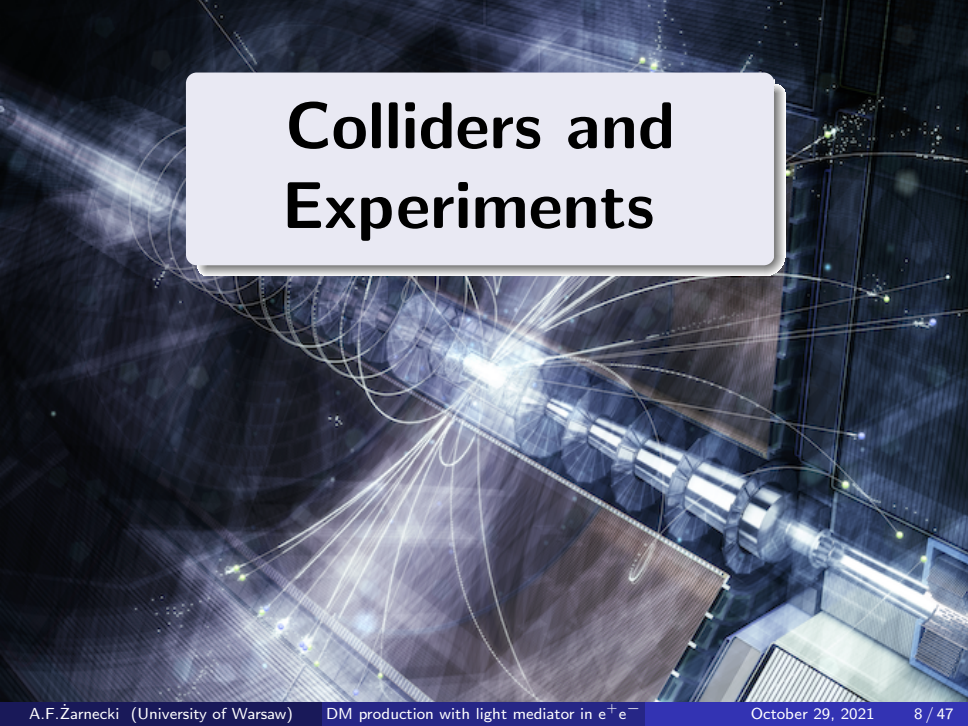
- J. Kalinowski et al., *Simulating hard photon production with WHIZARD*, Eur. Phys. J. C 80 (2020) 634, [arXiv:2004.14486](#)
- J. Kalinowski et al., *Sensitivity of future linear e^+e^- colliders to processes of dark matter production with light mediator exchange*, Eur. Phys. J. C *in print*, [arXiv:2107.11194](#)

Conference presentations

- P.Sopicki, *Simulating hard photon production with WHIZARD*, ICHEP'2020
- A.F.Żarnecki, *Dark matter searches with mono-photon signature at future e^+e^- colliders*, DIS'2021 & Dark Matter 2021
- A.F.Żarnecki, *Probing Dark Matter with ILC*, SUSY'2021 & PANIC'2021
- A.F.Żarnecki, *Sensitivity to dark matter production at future e^+e^- colliders*, Corfu'2021
- J.Kalinowski, *Sensitivity of future e^+e^- colliders to processes of dark matter production with light mediator exchange*, SUSY'2021
- A.F.Żarnecki, *Sensitivity of future e^+e^- colliders to processes of dark matter production with light mediator exchange*, Matter To The Deepest 2021
- A.F.Żarnecki, *The use of beam polarization in the search for dark matter at the ILC*, SPIN'2021

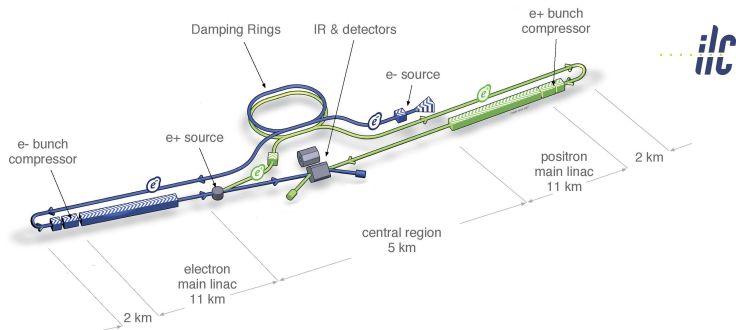
Outline

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A detailed view of a particle collider tunnel, showing a long, cylindrical structure with various components and glowing blue and white light trails representing particle beams and tracks. The scene is set in a dark, industrial environment with complex machinery and structural elements.

Colliders and Experiments

International Linear Collider



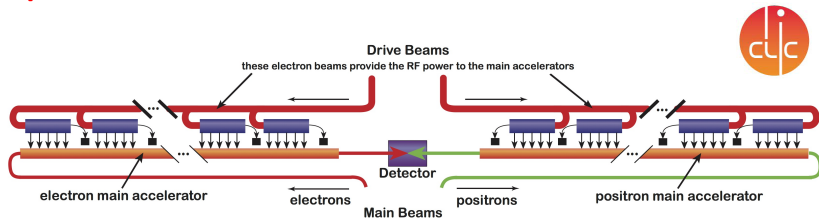
ILC Scheme | © www.fzj-berlin.de

Technical Design (TDR) completed in 2013

[arXiv:1306.6328](https://arxiv.org/abs/1306.6328)

- superconducting accelerating cavities
- 250 – 500 GeV c.m.s. energy (baseline), 1 TeV upgrade possible
- footprint 31 km
- polarisation for both e^- and e^+ (80%/30%)

Compact Linear Collider



Conceptual Design (CDR) presented in 2012

CERN-2012-007

- high gradient, two-beam acceleration scheme
- staged implementation plan with energy from 380 GeV to 3 TeV
- footprint of 11 to 50 km
- e^- polarisation (80%)

For details refer to [arXiv:1812.07987](https://arxiv.org/abs/1812.07987)

Running scenarios

Staged construction assumed for both ILC and CLIC.

In our study we focused on the **highest energy stages**.

ILC

Total of 4000 fb^{-1} assumed at 500 GeV (H-20 scenario)

- $2 \times 1600 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ for LR and RL beam polarisation combinations
- $2 \times 400 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ for RR and LL beam polarisation combinations

assuming **polarisation of $\pm 80\%$ for electrons** and **$\pm 30\%$ for positrons**

[arXiv:1903.01629](#)

CLIC

Total of 5000 fb^{-1} assumed at 3 TeV

- 4000 fb^{-1} for negative electron beam polarisation
- 1000 fb^{-1} for positive electron beam polarisation

assuming **polarisation of $\pm 80\%$ for electrons**

[arXiv:1812.06018](#)

Detector Requirement

“Particle Flow” concept:

High calorimeter granularity

⇒ single particle reconstruction/ID

Precise momentum measurement

⇒ best energy for charged particles

⇒ dominates jet energy resolution

High precision vertex detector

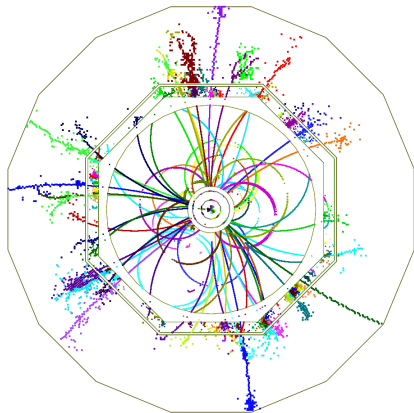
⇒ very efficient flavour tagging

Instrumentation down to smallest angles

⇒ hermeticity, missing energy tagging

Example event

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow 6j$$

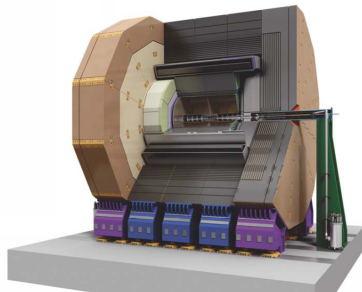


Detector Requirements same for ILC and CLIC

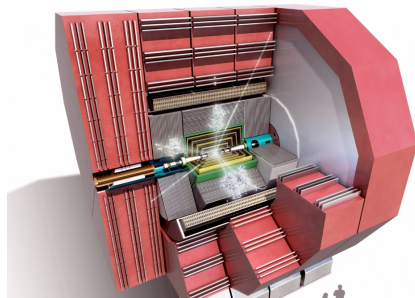
- Track momentum resolution: $\sigma_{1/p} < 5 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$
- Impact parameter resolution: $\sigma_d < 5 \mu\text{m} \oplus 10 \mu\text{m} \frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{p \sin^{3/2} \Theta}$
- Jet energy resolution: $\sigma_E/E = 3 - 4\%$ (for highest jet energies)
- Hermeticity: $\Theta_{min} = 5 \text{ mrad}$

Detailed detector concepts for ILC and CLIC:

ILD



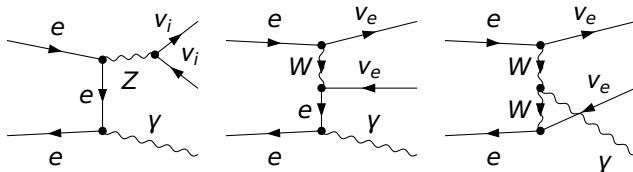
CLICdet



Simulating mono-photon events

For proper estimate of the mono-photon signature sensitivity **consistent simulation** of BSM processes and of the SM backgrounds is crucial.

“Irreducible” background comes from **radiative neutrino pair-production**



Detector acceptance & reconstruction efficiency

⇒ significant contribution from **radiative Bhabha scattering**

WHIZARD provides the ISR structure function option that includes all orders of soft and soft-collinear photons as well as up to the third order in high-energy collinear photons.

However, WHIZARD ISR photons are not ordinary final state photons: they represent all photons radiated in the event from a given lepton line.

ISR structure function can not account for hard non-collinear photons
 \Rightarrow all “detectable” photons generated on Matrix Element level

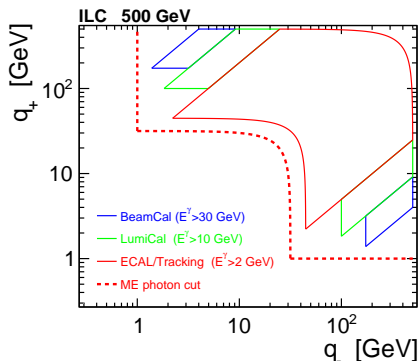
Dedicated procedure developed to avoid double-counting of ISR and ME
 For details: J. Kalinowski et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 80 (2020) 634, arXiv:2004.14486

Two variables, calculated separately for each emitted photon:

$$q_- = \sqrt{4E_0 E_\gamma} \cdot \sin \frac{\theta_\gamma}{2},$$

$$q_+ = \sqrt{4E_0 E_\gamma} \cdot \cos \frac{\theta_\gamma}{2},$$

are used to separate “soft ISR” emission region from the region described by ME calculations.

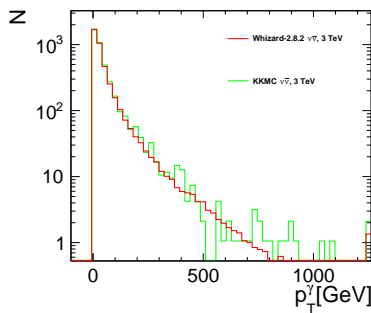
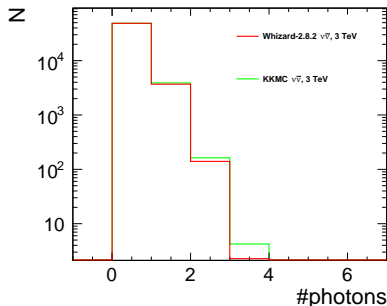


Validation of the procedure

WHIZARD predictions were compared to the results from the KKMC code

for $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu} + N\gamma$

3 TeV CLIC



⇒ very good agreement observed (both for shape and normalisation)

For more details:

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Simplified DM model

UFO model covering most popular scenarios of DM pair-production

⇒ Feynrules

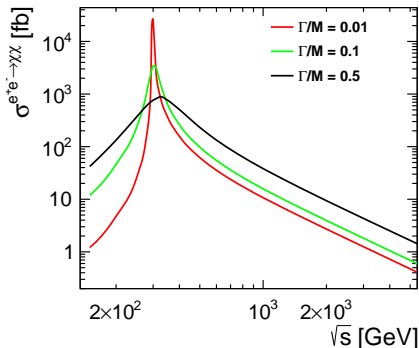
Possible mediators:

- scalar
- pseudo-scalar
- **vector**
- pseudo-vector
- V–A coupling
- V+A coupling

Possible DM candidates:

- real or complex scalar
- Majorana or **Dirac fermion**
- real vector

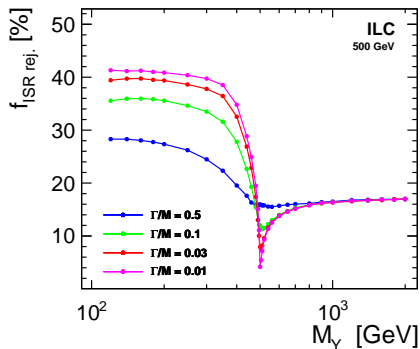
Cross section for $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi\chi$ for
 $M_\chi = 50 \text{ GeV}$ and $M_\gamma = 300 \text{ GeV}$



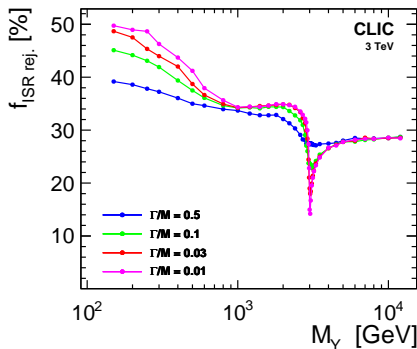
ISR rejection probability

Fraction of events generated by WHIZARD **removed** in merging procedure (ISR photons emitted in the phase-space region covered by ME)

ILC @ 500 GeV



CLIC @ 3 TeV



Detector simulation for ILC running at 500 GeV

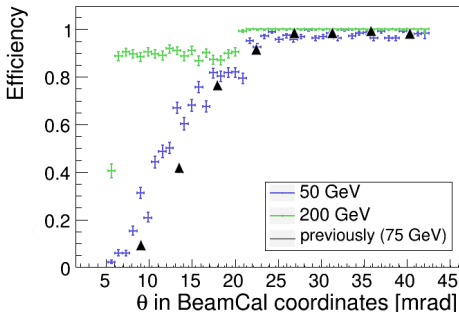
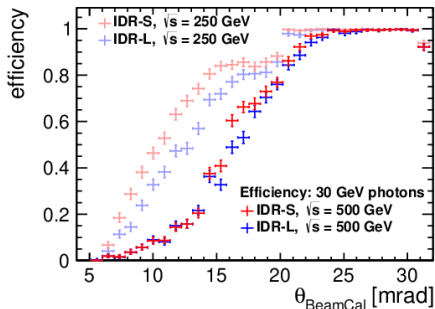
Hundreds of signal scenarios to consider \Rightarrow DELPHES fast simulation

Modeling of the forward detector performance crucial for the analysis

Results on BeamCal efficiency from full simulation:

ILD IDR

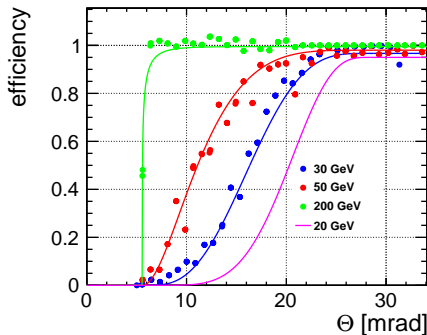
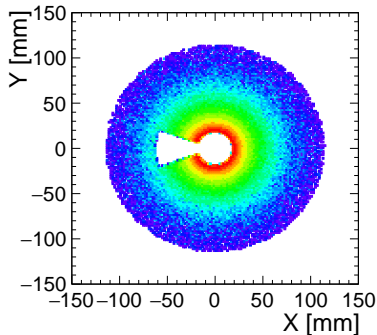
Moritz Hebermehl PhD Thesis



Detector simulation for ILC running at 500 GeV

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BeamCal geometry Parameterisation of the full simulation results



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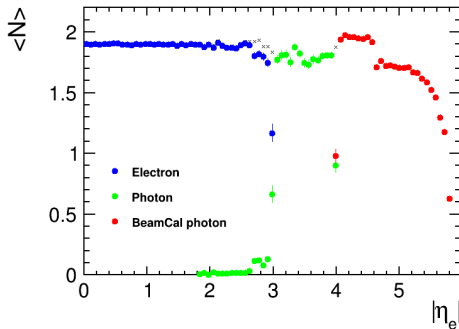
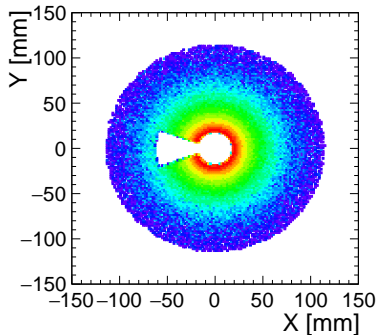
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Reconstruction results for $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$



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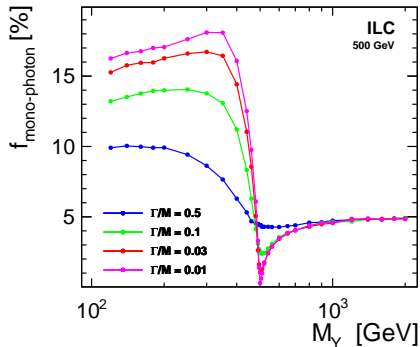
Tagging efficiency

based on DELPHES simulation

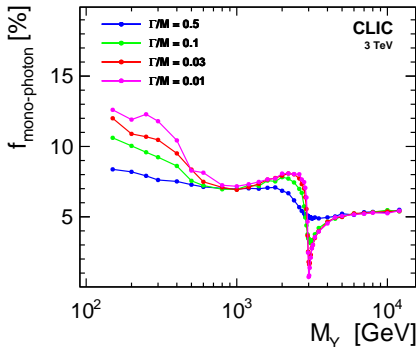
Mono-photons reconstructed only in a fraction of generated signal event

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi\chi\gamma_{\text{tag}}) = f_{\text{mono-photon}} \cdot \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi\chi(\gamma))$$

ILC @ 500 GeV



CLIC @ 3 TeV



Emission strongly suppressed for narrow mediator with $M_\gamma \sim \sqrt{s}$

Analysis framework

A detailed visualization of a particle detector, likely a linear collider. A central beam pipe is shown with a bright blue light source at its center. Numerous thin, glowing lines radiate outwards from the beam pipe, representing particle tracks or detector components. The background is dark with a grid of light blue lines, suggesting a complex, multi-layered detector structure.

Event selection

On generator level:

- 1, 2 or 3 ME photons
nonradiative events for signal only (for normalisation)
- all ME photons with $q_{\pm} > 1 \text{ GeV}$ & $E^{\gamma} > 1 \text{ GeV}$
rejected are events with $q_{\pm} > 1 \text{ GeV}$ & $E^{\gamma} > 1 \text{ GeV}$ for any of the ISR photons
- at least one ME photon with
 $p_T^{\gamma} > 2 \text{ GeV}$ & $5^{\circ} < \theta^{\gamma} < 175^{\circ}$ (ILC 500 GeV)
 $p_T^{\gamma} > 5 \text{ GeV}$ & $7^{\circ} < \theta^{\gamma} < 173^{\circ}$ (CLIC 3 TeV)

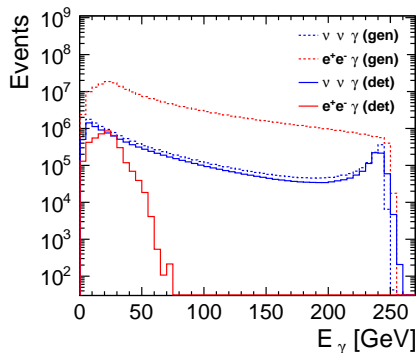
DELPHES framework used for detector simulation and event reconstruction.

Require:

- single photon with
 $p_T^{\gamma} > 3 \text{ GeV}$ & $|\eta^{\gamma}| < 2.8$ (ILC)
 $p_T^{\gamma} > 10 \text{ GeV}$ & $|\eta^{\gamma}| < 2.6$ (CLIC)
- no other activity in the detector
other reconstructed objects
 - no electrons
 - no LumiCal photons
 - no BeamCal photons
 - no jets

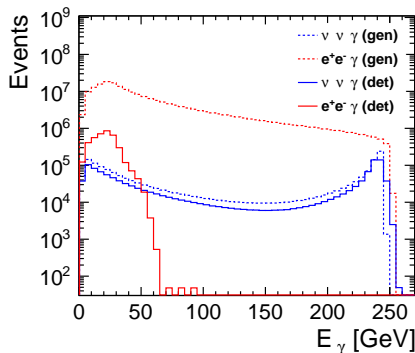
Background distributions

Two SM backgrounds considered: **with up to 3 ME photons**
Bhabha scattering and **(radiative) neutrino pair production**



ILC 500 GeV

(-80%/+30%) 1600 fb^{-1}



(+80%/-30%) 1600 fb^{-1}

Background vs Signal distributions

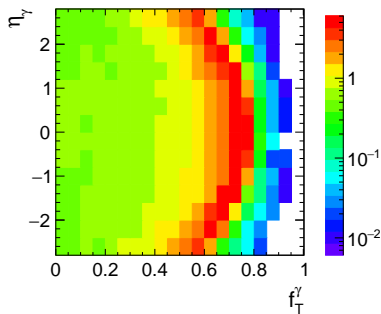
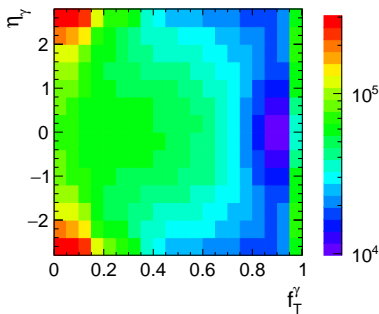
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For mono-photon events, two variables fully describe event kinematics

⇒ use 2D distribution of (p_T^γ, η) to constrain DM production

Background

Signal

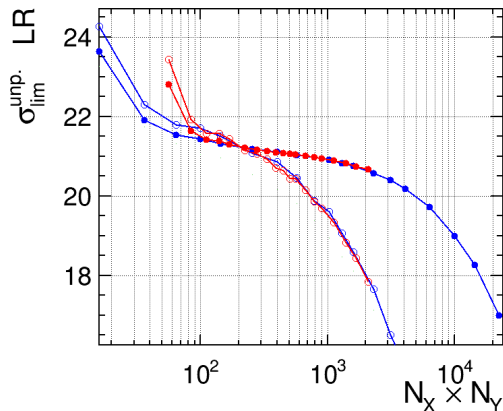


ILC 500 GeV (-80%/+30%) 1600 fb^{-1} $M_\gamma = 400 \text{ GeV}, \Gamma/M = 0.03$

Signal normalised to unpolarised DM pair-production cross section of 1 fb

Histogram binning

Cross section limits for vector mediator exchange, $M_Y=2\text{TeV}$, $\Gamma/M=0.1$ as a function of the number of histogram bins:



Signal MC statistics: 100k (open symbols) and 1M (full symbols)

Systematic uncertainties

following ILD study: Phys. Rev. D 101, 075053 (2020), [arXiv:2001.03011](https://arxiv.org/abs/2001.03011)

Considered sources of uncertainties:

- **Integrated luminosity** uncertainty of 0.26%
uncorrelated between polarisations
- **Luminosity spectra shape** uncertainty
correlated between polarisations
- Uncertainty in **neutrino background normalisation** of 0.2% (th+exp)
correlated between polarisations
- Uncertainty in **Bhabha background normalisation** of 1% (th+exp)
correlated between polarisations
- Uncertainty on **beam polarisation** of 0.02–0.08% (ILC)/0.2% (CLIC)
correlated for runs with same beam polarisation at ILC

⇒ nuisance parameters in the RooStat model fit (11 for ILC, 7 for CLIC)

Cross section limits for radiative events (with tagged photon)

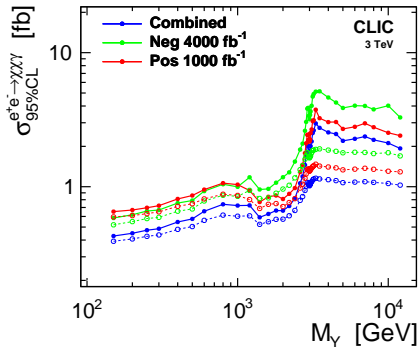
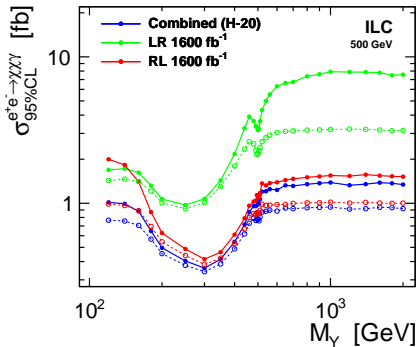
Vector Mediator

$\Gamma/M = 0.03$

with and without systematics

ILC @ 500 GeV

CLIC @ 3 TeV



Systematic effects reduced for on-shell production of narrow mediator

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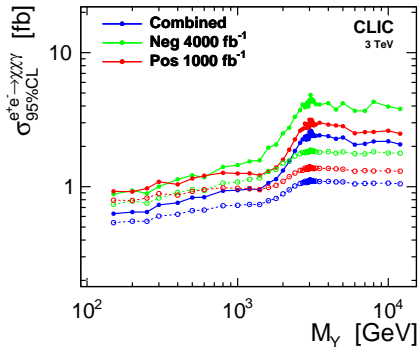
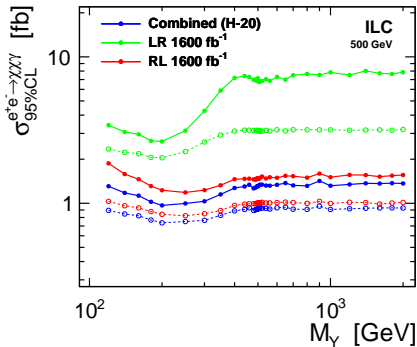
Vector Mediator

$\Gamma/M = 0.5$

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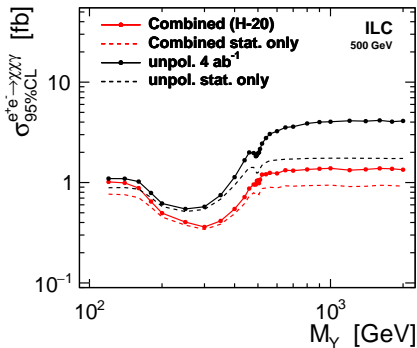


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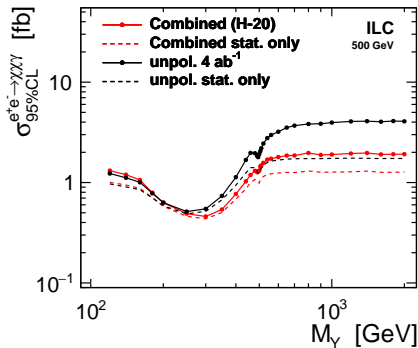
Cross section limits for radiative events (with tagged photon)

Impact of beam polarisation assuming 4 ab^{-1} for ILC @ 500 GeV

Vector mediator



Scalar mediator



Polarisation significantly reduces impact of systematic uncertainties...

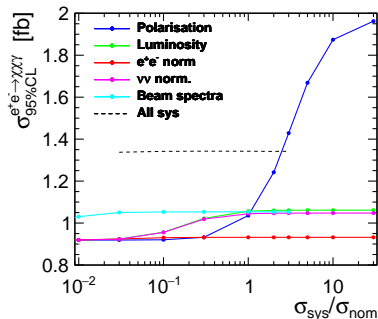
Impact of constraints

How important are the external constraints on the systematic effects?

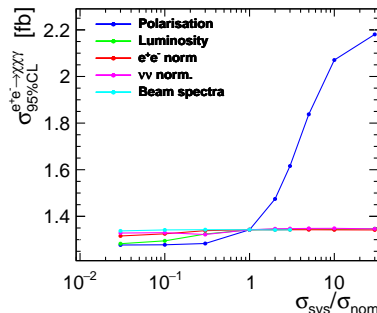
Eg. precision of the luminosity measurement or theoretical calculations...

Radiative cross section limits for Vector mediator $M_V=2\text{ TeV}$, $\Gamma/M=0.03$

Single uncertainty only



All systematics (one varied)



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The cross section can also be expressed **in terms of the widths**

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Y \rightarrow \chi\chi) = \frac{12\pi}{M_Y^2} \frac{s \Gamma_{ee} \Gamma_{\chi\chi}}{(s - M_Y^2)^2 + M_Y^2 \Gamma_Y^2}$$

In the limit $\Gamma_{ee} \ll \Gamma_{\chi\chi} \approx \Gamma_Y$ the cross section depends only on M_Y , Γ_Y , g_{eeY} and \mathcal{O}_{eeY} (dependence on m_χ , $g_{\chi\chi Y}$ and $\mathcal{O}_{\chi\chi Y}$ “absorbed” in Γ_Y)

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as a function of the mediator mass and width (for given \mathcal{O}_{eeY})

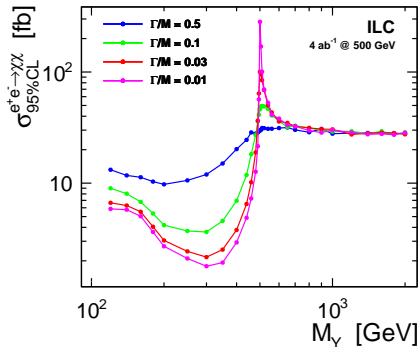
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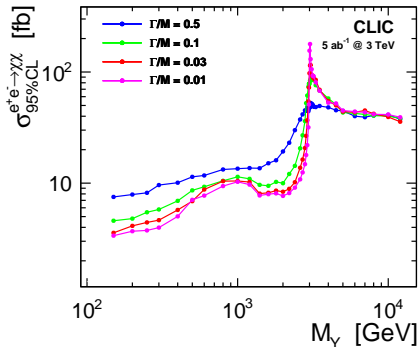
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Combined limits for **Vector mediator**

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CLIC @ 3 TeV

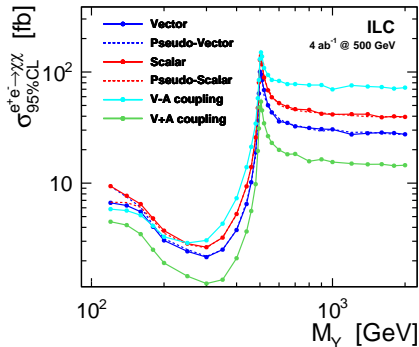


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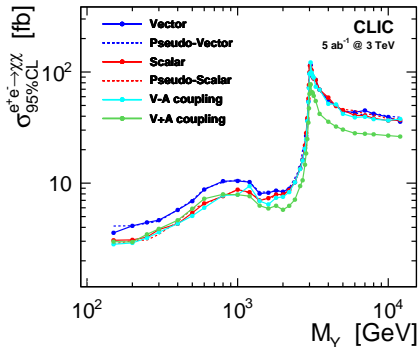
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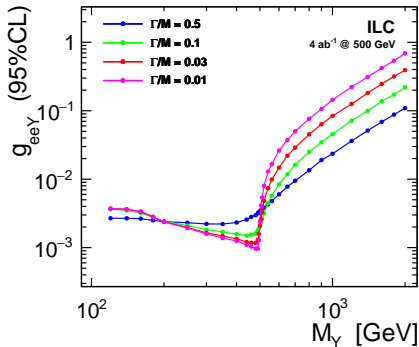


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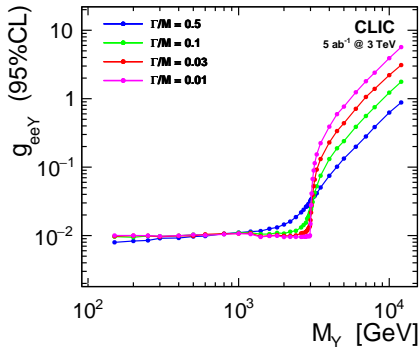
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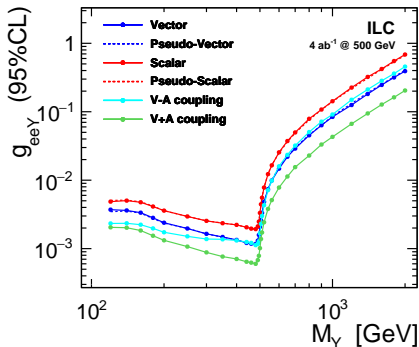


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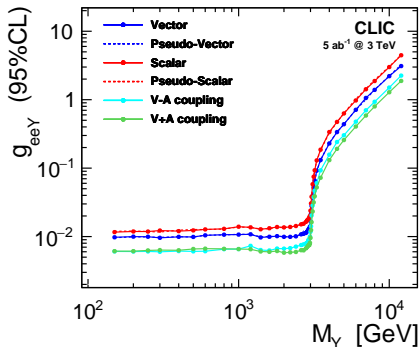
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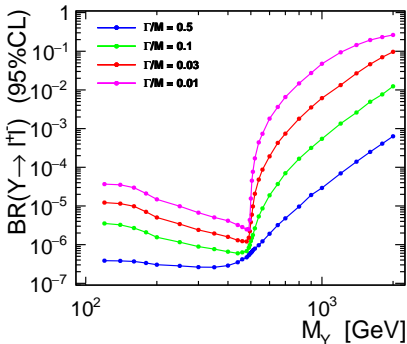


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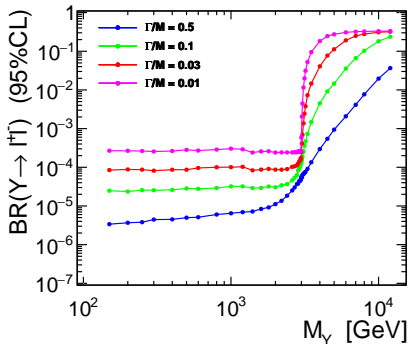
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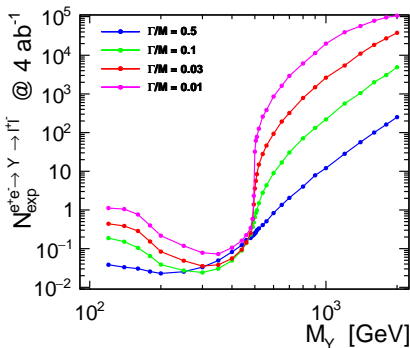
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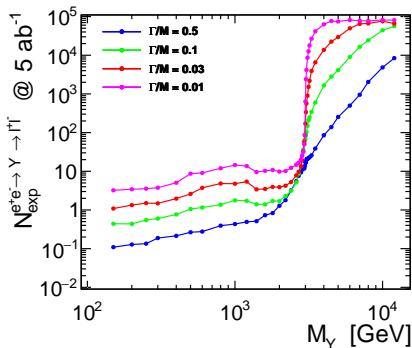
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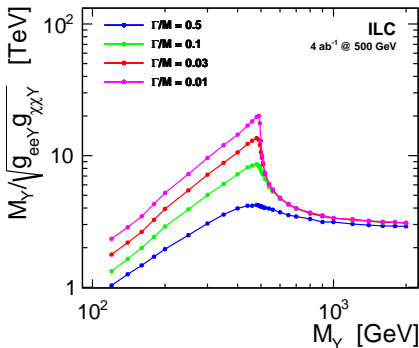
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Effective mass scale limits

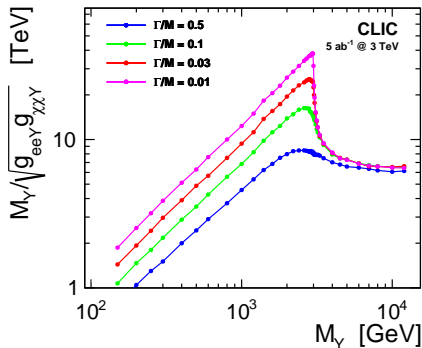
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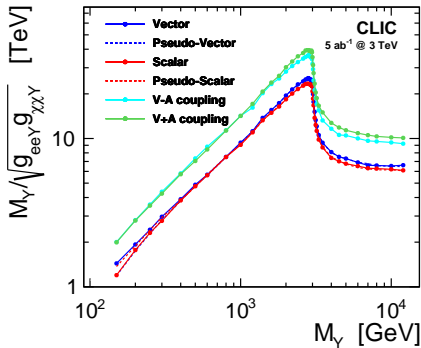
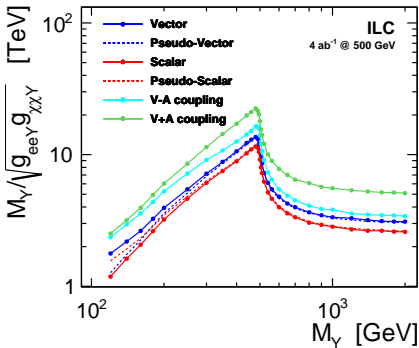
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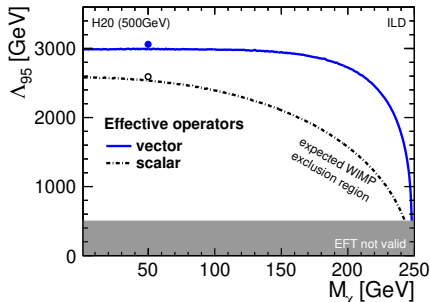
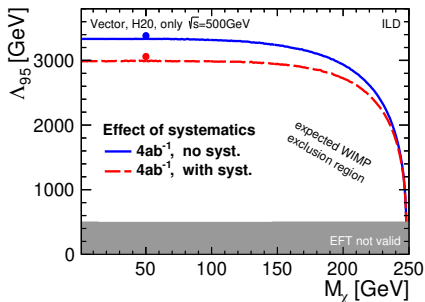
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Comparison with ILD study

arXiv:2001.03011

Effective mass scale limits:
$$\Lambda^2 = \frac{M_Y^2}{|g_{eeY}g_{\chi\chi Y}|}$$

Limits from fast simulation (points) vs limits from full simulation (lines)



Very good agreement between full simulation and fast simulation results!
 \Rightarrow reliable extrapolation to low mediator mass domain...

Conclusions

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Sensitivity of future linear e^+e^- colliders to processes of dark matter production with light mediator exchange

arXiv:2107.11194, in print

Mono-photon signature: the most general way to look for DM production, EFT sensitivity extending to the $\mathcal{O}(10)$ TeV mass scales

New framework for mono-photon analysis developed
focus on light mediator exchange and very small mediator couplings to SM

- $\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ fb})$ limits on the radiative production $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi\chi\gamma_{\text{tag}}$
- $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ fb})$ limits on the DM pair-production $e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi\chi(\gamma)$
except for the resonance region $M_\gamma \sim \sqrt{s}$
- $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3} - 10^{-2})$ limits on the mediator coupling to electrons
up to the kinematic limit $M_\gamma \leq \sqrt{s}$

For light mediators limits more stringent than those expected from direct resonance search in SM decay channels

Other options for probing Dark Matter

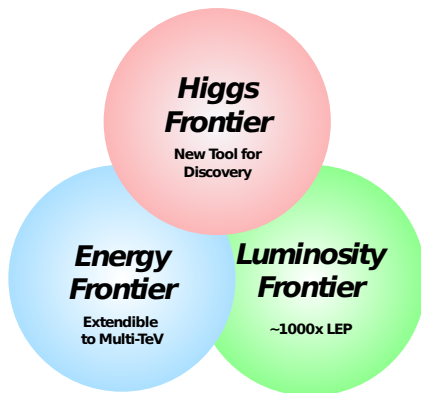
Dark Matter

Many hints for existence of Dark Matter (DM), but its nature is unknown.

Many possible scenarios, wide range of masses and couplings to consider.

High energy e^+e^- machines offer many options for DM searches:

ILC overview talks
given at [SUSY'2021](#)
and [PANIC'2021](#)

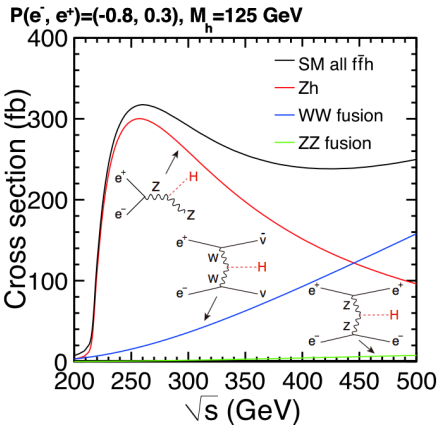


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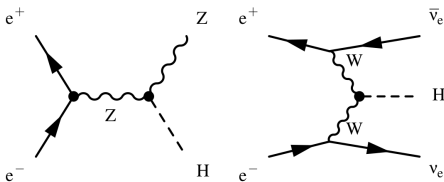
Section image: Rey.Hori (copied from ILC Newslines)

First ILC running stage will clearly be focused on Higgs measurements

Production cross section



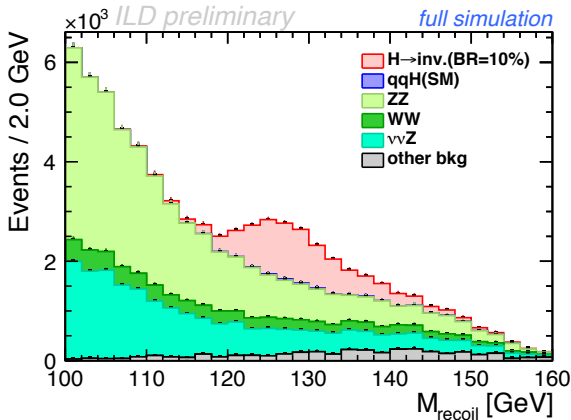
At 250 GeV dominated by Higgs-strahlung (ZH production)



but we still profit from combining two production channels
 \Rightarrow model independent analysis

Invisible decays

High sensitivity to invisible Higgs boson decays with recoil mass technique



Expected 95% C.L. limit for 2 ab^{-1} collected at 250 GeV ILC: **0.23%**

a factor of 10 better than the HL-LHC prospect.

arXiv:2002.12048

Search for new scalars

Many BSM models introduce extended Higgs sectors.

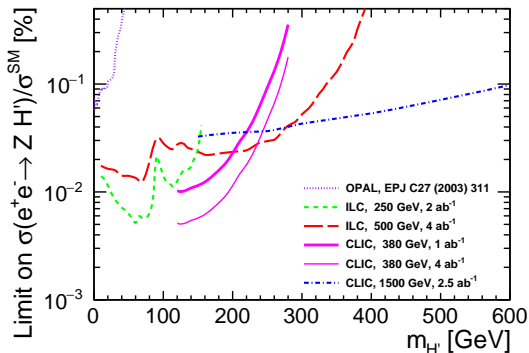
New scalars could be light, if their couplings to SM particles are small.

Search for new scalars:

[arXiv:1903.01629](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.01629)

[arXiv:2005.06265](https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.06265)

[arXiv:2002.06034](https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.06034)

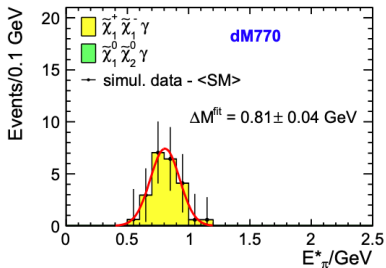


ILC search independent on the scalar decay: $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z S^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- + X$

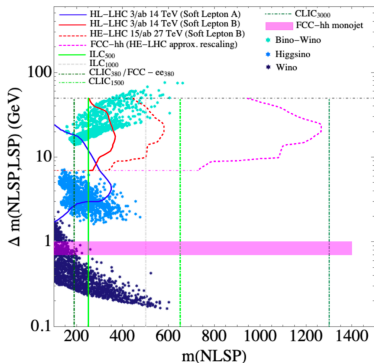
Soft SUSY scenarios

Thanks to clean environment, sensitivity of e^+e^- colliders extends down to very small NLSP-LSP mass differences

Chargino pair production study



arXiv:1307.3566



arXiv:2105.06408

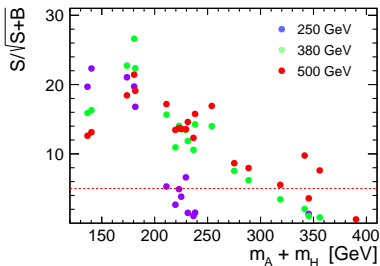
Search for IDM scalar production

Production of IDM scalars at e^+e^- colliders dominated by two processes:

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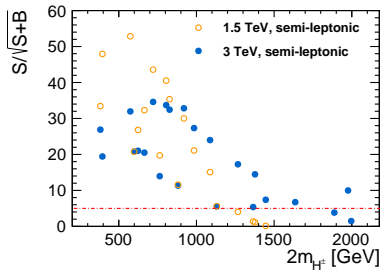
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow H^+H^-$$

Search for AH production
leptonic channel



arXiv:2002.11716

Search for H^+H^- production
semi-leptonic channel



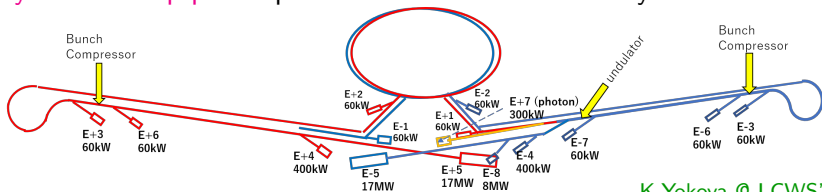
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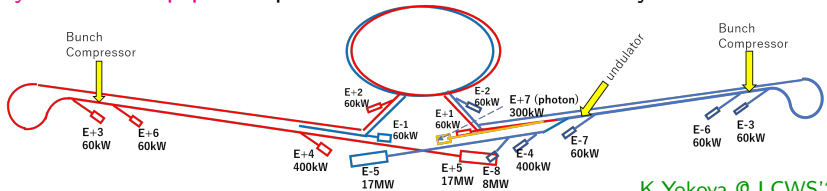
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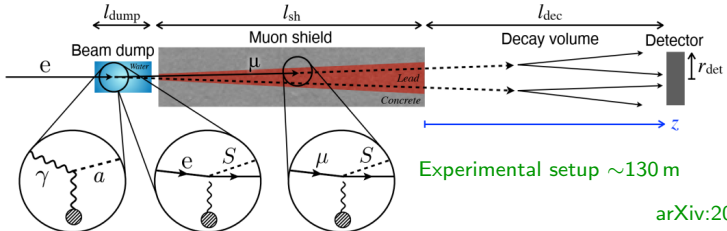
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Concept of main beam dump experiments searching for **axion-like particles** or **new scalars**:



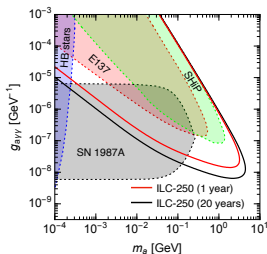
Experimental setup ~ 130 m

arXiv:2009.13790

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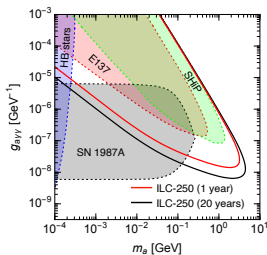
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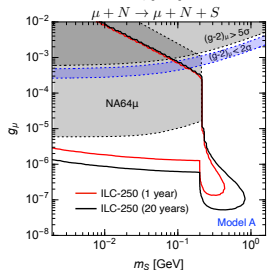
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Light scalar coupled to **charged leptons**

$$\mathcal{L} \ni \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu S)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m_S^2 S^2 - \sum_{l=e,\mu,\tau} g_l S \bar{l} l$$

Model A: $g_l \propto m_l$

Sensitivity down to very small couplings

Main beam dump experiments

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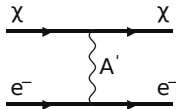
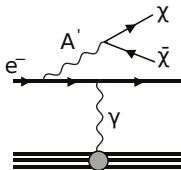
Scenarios with **Dark Photon** (A') and Dirac fermion DM (χ)

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Approach used in SLAC Beam Dump Experiment E137

arXiv:1406.2698

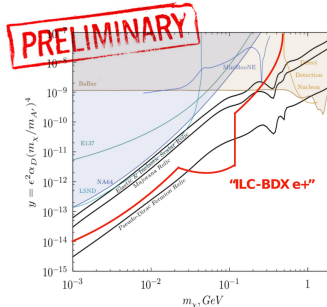
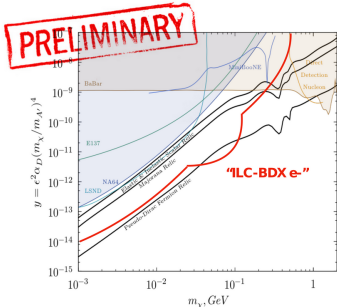
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Huge improvement in sensitivity for $m_{A'} \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$ thanks to much higher statistics

Experiments with extracted beams

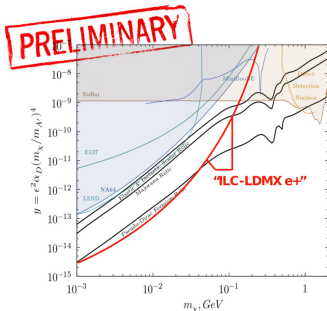
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Searching for Dark Photons with extracted positron beams

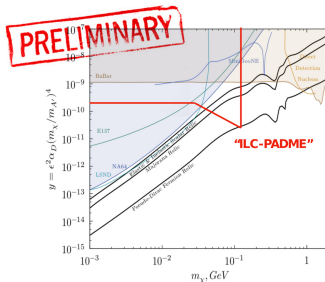
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Missing energy reconstruction in thick active target

Thin target, missing mass reconstruction in dedicated detector



LDMX for SLAC: [arXiv:1807.05884](https://arxiv.org/abs/1807.05884)



PADME @ Frascati: [arXiv:1910.00764](https://arxiv.org/abs/1910.00764)

Sensitivity extending down to the minimum couplings allowed by relic density bounds

Probing Dark Matter with ILC

ILC will offer **many complementary options** for DM searches.

- Different scenarios can be constrained via **precision Higgs studies**.
- Clean environment and kinematic constraints of e^+e^- collisions result in high sensitivity to different **DM production** scenarios.
- Sensitivity extends to the **TeV mass scales**,
order of magnitude higher than the collision energy.

The ILC will also offer **highest energy** electron and positron beams, with unprecedented **intensities**, for beam dump and extracted beam exp.

Fixed-target experiments offer many interesting opportunities for dark sector searches in the **low mass domain** and other science goals.

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Thank you!

Simplified DM model

Dark matter particles, X_i , couple to the SM particles via an mediator, Y_j .

Each simplified scenario is characterized by **one dark matter candidate** and **one mediator** from the set listed below:

	particle	mass	spin	charge	self-conjugate	type
DM	X_R	m_{X_R}	0	0	yes	real scalar
	X_C	m_{X_C}	0	0	no	complex scalar
	X_M	m_{X_M}	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	yes	Majorana fermion
	X_D	m_{X_D}	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	no	Dirac fermion
	X_V	m_{X_V}	1	0	yes	real vector
mediator	Y_R	m_{Y_R}	0	0	yes	real scalar
	Y_V	m_{Y_C}	1	0	yes	real vector
	T_C	m_{T_C}	0	1	no	charged scalar