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# $Z(cc)H$ at FCC-ee

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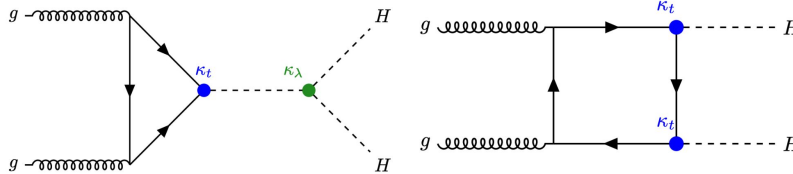
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# Introduction: Higgs self-coupling

- We want a **precise** measurement of **Higgs self-coupling**:
  - Fundamental test of **SM**
  - Use to search for variety of **BSM** physics
- Current estimated precision at HL-LHC: **~50%** (conservative) w/ Higgs pair production



- Estimated precision at FCC-hh: **~5%**

	collider	single- $H$	$HH$	combined
●	HL-LHC	100-200%	50%	<b>50%</b>
	CEPC <sub>240</sub>	49%	—	49%
	ILC <sub>250</sub>	49%	—	49%
●	ILC <sub>500</sub>	38%	27%	22%
●	ILC <sub>1000</sub>	36%	10%	10%
	CLIC <sub>380</sub>	50%	—	50%
	CLIC <sub>1500</sub>	49%	36%	29%
●	CLIC <sub>3000</sub>	49%	9%	9%
	FCC-ee	33%	—	33%
●	FCC-ee (4 IPs)	24%	—	24%
	HE-LHC	—	15%	15%
●	<b>* FCC-hh</b>	—	5%	<b>5%</b>

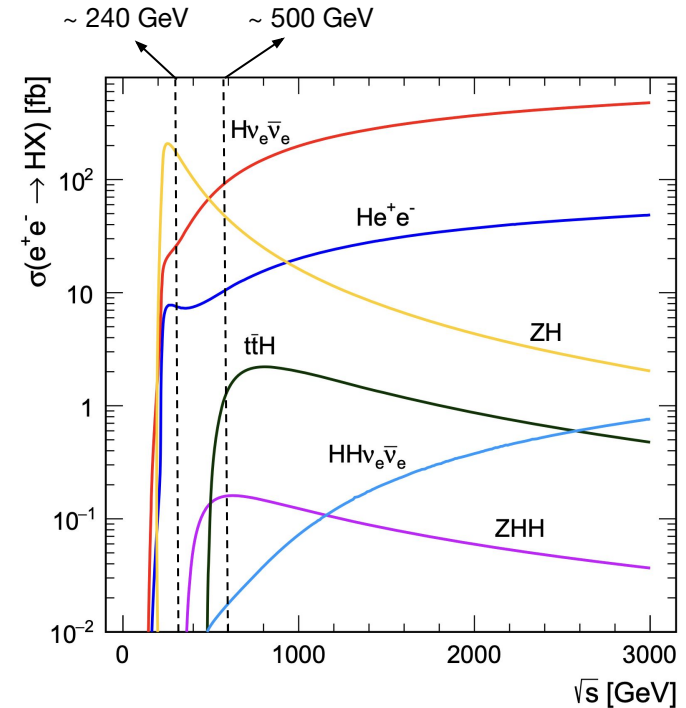
These values are combined with an independent determination of the self-coupling with uncertainty 50% from the HL-LHC.

Sally Dawson, Caterina Vernieri @ [LHC Higgs Working Group](#), December 3, 2021

**\* arXiv:2004.03505** 2.9-5.5%  
depending on the systematic assumptions

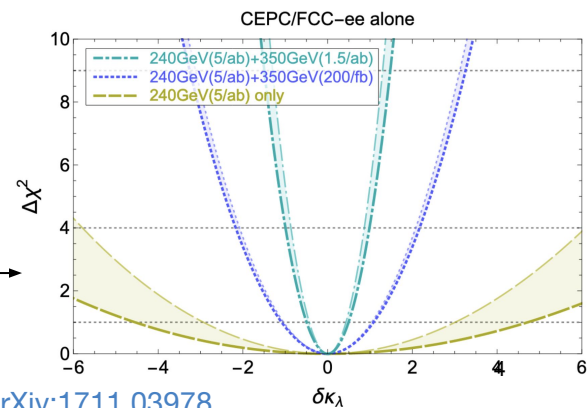
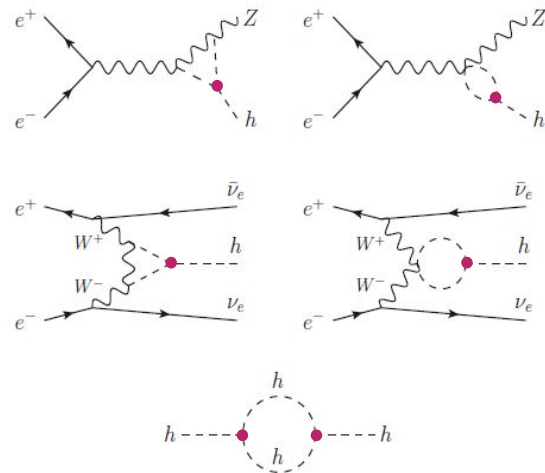
# Introduction: Self-coupling at FCC-ee

- HH production turns on at an  $e^+e^-$  collider:
  - **~500 GeV** for **ZHH**
  - Even higher for **HH $\nu\nu$**
- Center-of-mass energy at FCC-ee is **too low** (240 - 365 GeV) to produce **pairs of Higgs bosons** directly
- However, we have **indirect** sensitivity to the Higgs self-coupling from higher order contributions to **ZH** (main production mode), **VBF-H** production, and Higgs branching ratios



# How to measure the Higgs self-coupling at the FCC-ee?

- The self-coupling measurement depends on measurements of Higgs production cross sections and decays to other particles.
- The  $\kappa$  analysis is expected to reach **~20%** accuracy [[arXiv:1905.03764](https://arxiv.org/abs/1905.03764)], while the global effective field theory fit will reach **~30%** [[arXiv:1711.03978](https://arxiv.org/abs/1711.03978)] (in combination with HL-LHC projections!)
- **The ZH cross section (240 GeV run) is most sensitive to changes in the self-coupling**
  - 365 GeV run is crucial for reducing uncertainties!



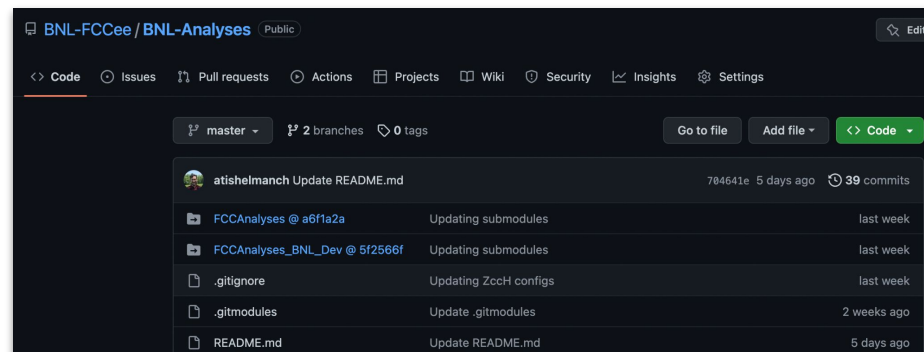
# Z(cc)H study

# Z(cc)H motivation

- Can we make a better ZH cross section measurement with exclusive ZH studies?
- **We propose a Z(cc)H study**
  - Few(er) existing studies with  $ZH \rightarrow \text{hadronic}$
  - Excellent test-case for c-tagging improvements (see [George's talk](#)) - unlikely to suffer from combinatoric problems with (rare)  $H(cc)$  decays
- Longer-term plans
  - Use results to aid in detector optimization studies (“what kind of detector will we need to enable this measurement?”)
  - Combination with on-going studies in other Higgs channels for final self-coupling constraint
- This is our first time thinking about lepton colliders - lots to learn!

# Kinematic study: Setup

- Using [FCCAnalyses](#) framework
- Analysis configuration files defined in BNL-FCCee GitHub organization
  - [Zcch stage1.py](#)
  - [Zcch final.py](#)
  - [Zcch plots.py](#)
- Using samples from [Winter 2023 campaign](#):
  - Produced by **Louis Portalès**
  - $\sqrt{s} = 240$  GeV
  - WHIZARD event generator
  - Delphes simulation of **IDEA** detector
  - Signal: Z(cc)H(exclusive)
  - Background: WW, ZZ, qq

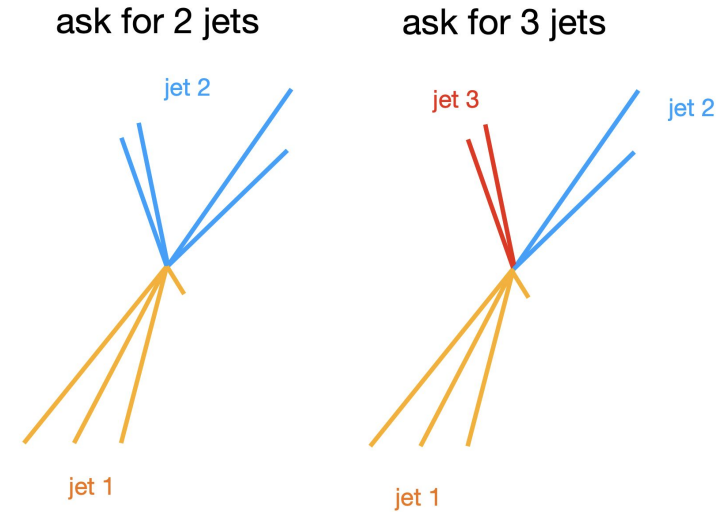


[BNL-Analyses](#)



# Kinematic study: Re-clustering

- Inclusive vs. exclusive jet clustering
  - **Inclusive**: define size of jets “I want all the jets with some particular  $\Delta R$ ”
  - **Exclusive**: define number of jets to be clustered “I want three jets”
- Using **exclusive jet re-clustering** - Require **four** jets per event [targeting  $Z(cc)H(\text{hadrons})$ ]
- For more jet details, see this excellent talk:
  - [\[27 June 2022 - FCC Physics performance meeting\]](#), Matteo Cacciari, Gavin Salam and Gregory Soyez



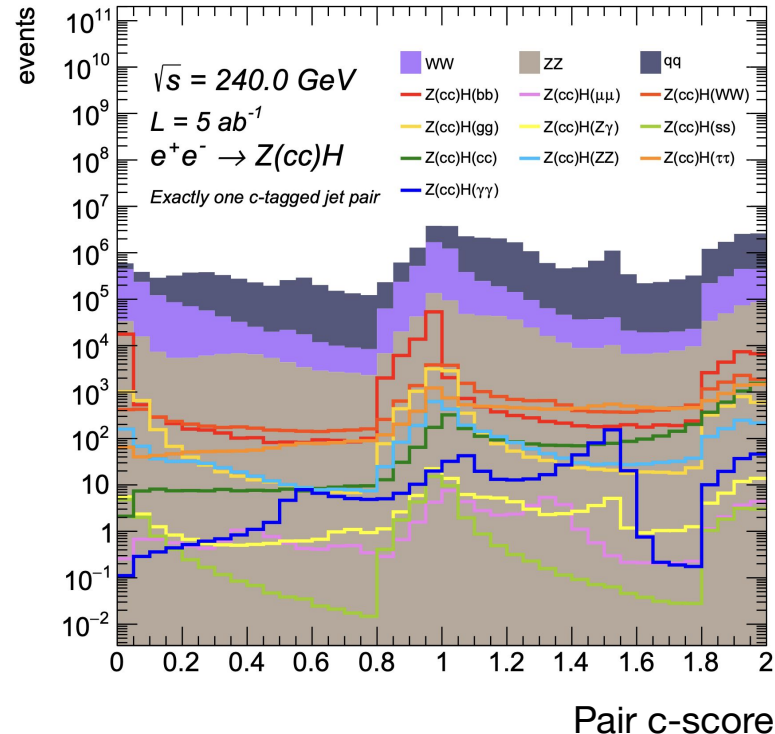
Same event,  
two interpretations!



# Kinematic study: Jet pair c-score

- Each jet has a c-score assigned
  - “How charm-like is this jet?” from 0 (not-charm-like) to 1 (charm-like)
- “**Pair c-score**”: Sum the two c-scores for each of 6 jet pairs in the event:
  - Range: [0, 2]
- Peaks at **2** for events with cc-like jet pairs (expected from  $Z(cc)$ )
- Peak around **1** indicates:
  - One jet tagged **c-like**
  - Other jet tagged as **not-c-like**

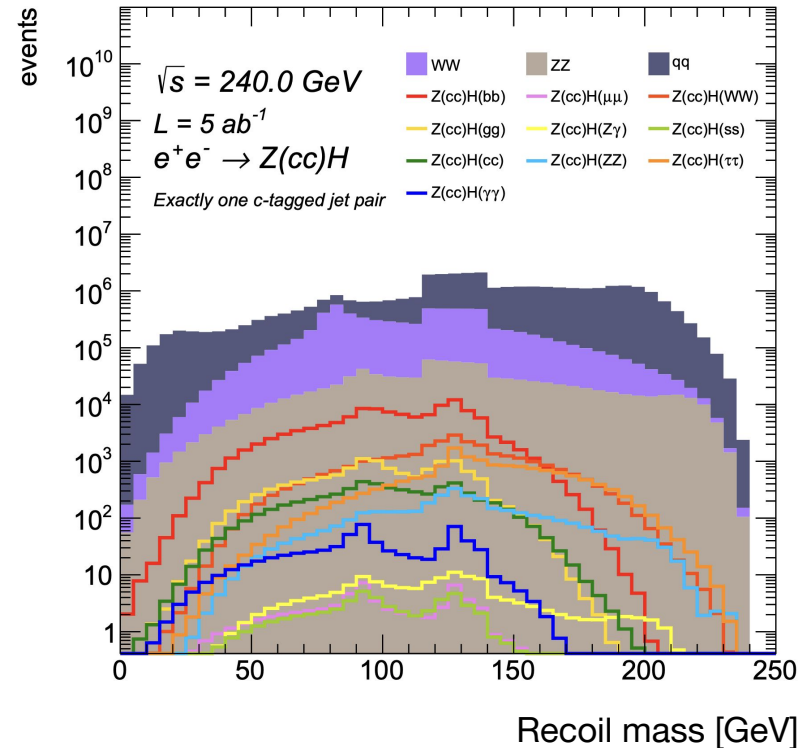
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# Kinematic study: Recoil mass

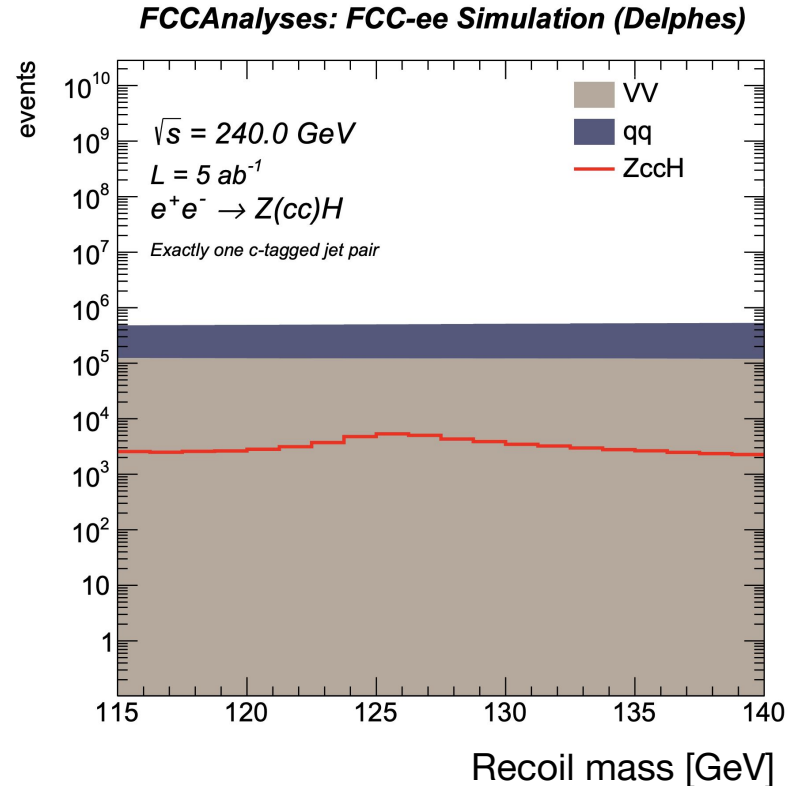
- Events with:
  - Exactly one dijet pair with **c score** > 1.8
  - Exactly one dijet pair with recoil mass 115 - 140 GeV  
(remember, still **6 entries** per event)
- Z(cc)H(bb)** has highest yield signal peak around 125 GeV
- Z(cc)H( $\gamma\gamma$ )** and **Z(cc)H( $\tau\tau$ )** peaks are sharp, but lower yield.
- Interestingly, see **WW** sample peak around 80 GeV
  - Tagging W from W(hadhad)W(X) process?

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# Kinematic study: Higgs mass

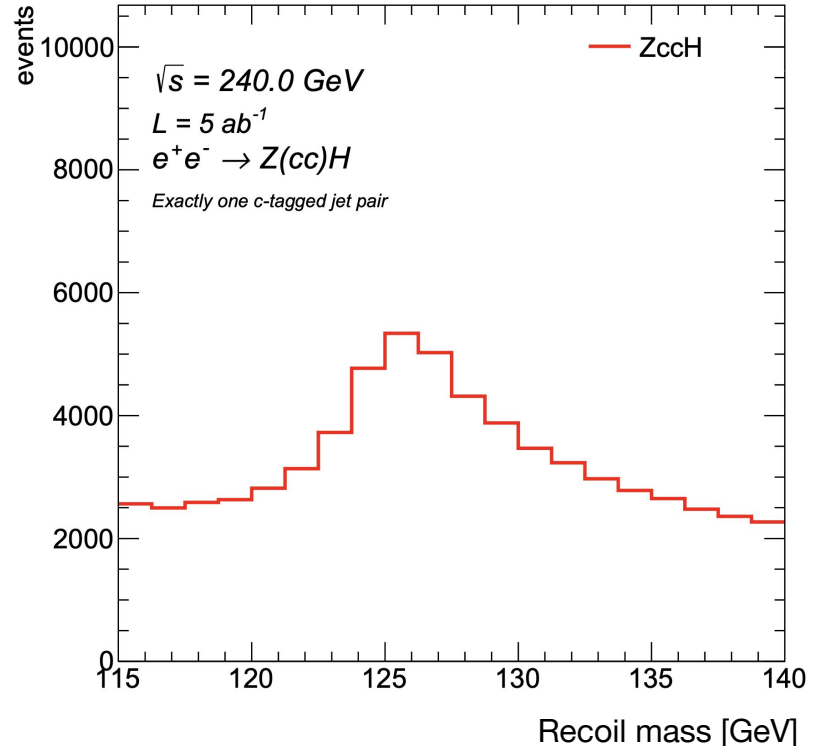
- Same selections, zoom into higgs mass window
- Discernable peak at the Higgs mass from **Z(cc)H**, but very high background yield.
- Backgrounds have **non-peaking** structure, can remove with further selections:
  - Require jet pair mass in **Z window** (Reduce  $W \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$  background)
  - Add **lepton** and **missing energy** rejection (reduce leptonic VV background)



# Kinematic study: Signal Higgs mass

- Same selections
- Signal only to look at shape
- Lots of incorrectly reconstructed **mass values** - motivates improved Z(cc) **pairing** strategy

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# Summary

- **The Higgs self-coupling can be measured indirectly at the FCC-ee, hopefully with higher precision than at the HL-LHC**
  - This measurement depends on precise measurements of the Higgs cross sections and branching ratios, using data from runs at several center-of-mass energies
- We are interested in studying  $ZH \rightarrow \text{hadronic}$ , starting with  $Z(cc)H$
- We'd love to collaborate with [you]! You can reach us at:
  - [elizabeth.brost@cern.ch](mailto:elizabeth.brost@cern.ch)
  - [abraham.tishelman.charny@cern.ch](mailto:abraham.tishelman.charny@cern.ch)

# Backup

# What precision do we *\*need\** on the Higgs self-coupling?

- **Is 50% enough?**

- Depends which models you would like to study

- **Motivates future colliders**

- “**The goal for future machines beyond the HL-LHC should be to probe the Higgs potential quantitatively. This requires at least gold quality precision for the self-coupling parameter. ...** achievable ... at the highest energy lepton machines (ILC<sub>1000</sub> or CLIC<sub>3000</sub>) and hadron machines (FCC-hh)”

- **Bronze (100%):** sensitive to models with the largest new physics effects
- **Silver (25-50%):** can exclude a physical hypothesis with realistic deviations in the Higgs self-coupling
- **Gold (5-10%):** sensitive to a broad class of loop diagram effects... could complement measurements on new particles that could be discovered at the HL-LHC.
- **Platinum (1%):** sensitive to typical quantum corrections to the Higgs self-coupling generated by loop diagrams.

[HH White Paper 2018 arXiv:1910.00012](#)



# Samples

- Winter 2023 campaign:

- [\[Link\]](#)
- 240 GeV, WHIZARD event generator
- Delphes simulation of IDEA detector

Process	Z(cc)H(bb)	Z(cc)H(WW)	Z(cc)H(gg)	Z(cc)H( $\tau\tau$ )	Z(cc)H(cc)	Z(cc)H(ZZ)	Z(cc)H( $\gamma\gamma$ )	Z(cc)H(Z $\gamma$ )	Z(cc)H(ss)	Z(cc)H( $\mu\mu$ )		Z/ $\gamma^*$ →qq	WW	ZZ
$\sigma^*\Gamma$ [pb]	0.01359	0.005023	0.001911	0.001464	0.0006747	0.0006164	5.298e-05	3.578e-05	5.607e-06	5.079e-06		52.6539	16.4385	1.35899
$\sigma^*\Gamma / \sigma^*\Gamma[Z(cc)H(bb)]$	1	0.36961	0.140618	0.1077	0.04965	0.04536	3.90E-03	2.63E-03	4.13E-04	3.74E-04		3874.46	1210	100
Events generated	200,000	1,200,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	1,200,000	400,000	400,000	300,000	400,000		100,559,248	373,375,386	56,162,093

- Total expected **Z(cc)H** events with lumi = 5 ab<sup>-1</sup>: **116,892**
- Total expected **qq/WW/ZZ** events with lumi = 5 ab<sup>-1</sup>: **352,256,950**
- Try to use **recoil** mass of **Higgs peak** to separate Signal and background.

# Signal yields

- Total yield with No Selections **matches expected number: 116,891.83**
- Highest weighted yields (**scaling to be verified**):
  - $Z(cc)H(bb)$  when tagging a **cc pair**, w/ recoil mass near Higgs peak
- Tagging a c pair with recoil mass near Higgs has ~ **13.6 - 42%** efficiency

	No Selection	Exactly 4 jets	Ex one jet pair B tagged, near Higgs window	Ex one jet pair C tagged, near Higgs window
$Z(cc)H(WW)$	$25115.000 \pm 3.317$	$25115.000 \pm 22.927$	$12.034 \pm 0.502$	$4897.320 \pm 10.124$
$Z(cc)H(gg)$	$9555.000 \pm 2.335$	$9555.000 \pm 15.108$	$16.697 \pm 0.632$	$2125.581 \pm 7.126$
$Z(cc)H(Z\gamma)$	$178.900 \pm 0.006$	$178.900 \pm 0.283$	$3.945 \pm 0.042$	$24.364 \pm 0.104$
$Z(cc)H(ss)$	$28.035 \pm 0.000$	$28.035 \pm 0.051$	$0.001 \pm 0.000$	$8.977 \pm 0.029$
$Z(cc)H(\mu\mu)$	$25.395 \pm 0.000$	$25.395 \pm 0.040$	$0.008 \pm 0.001$	$10.422 \pm 0.026$
$Z(cc)H(ZZ)$	$3082.000 \pm 0.143$	$3082.000 \pm 2.813$	$80.838 \pm 0.456$	$579.139 \pm 1.220$
$Z(cc)H(\tau\tau)$	$7320.000 \pm 1.566$	$7320.000 \pm 11.574$	$3.916 \pm 0.268$	$2539.271 \pm 6.817$
$Z(cc)H(\gamma\gamma)$	$264.900 \pm 0.011$	$264.900 \pm 0.419$	$0.003 \pm 0.001$	$112.203 \pm 0.273$
$Z(cc)H(cc)$	$3373.500 \pm 0.490$	$3373.500 \pm 5.334$	$0.152 \pm 0.036$	$972.082 \pm 2.863$
$Z(cc)H(bb)$	$67950.000 \pm 88.563$	$67950.000 \pm 151.941$	$9201.789 \pm 55.913$	$20429.167 \pm 83.312$

	$Z(cc)H(WW)$	$Z(cc)H(gg)$	$Z(cc)H(Z\gamma)$	$Z(cc)H(ss)$	$Z(cc)H(\mu\mu)$	$Z(cc)H(ZZ)$	$Z(cc)H(\tau\tau)$	$Z(cc)H(\gamma\gamma)$	$Z(cc)H(cc)$	$Z(cc)H(bb)$
No Selection	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Exactly 4 jets	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
Ex one jet pair B tagged, near Higgs window	0.000	0.002	0.022	0.000	0.000	0.026	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.135
Ex one jet pair C tagged, near Higgs window	0.195	0.222	0.136	0.320	0.410	0.188	0.347	0.424	0.288	0.301

# Background yields

- Total yield with no selection matches expectation:

- **352,256,950**

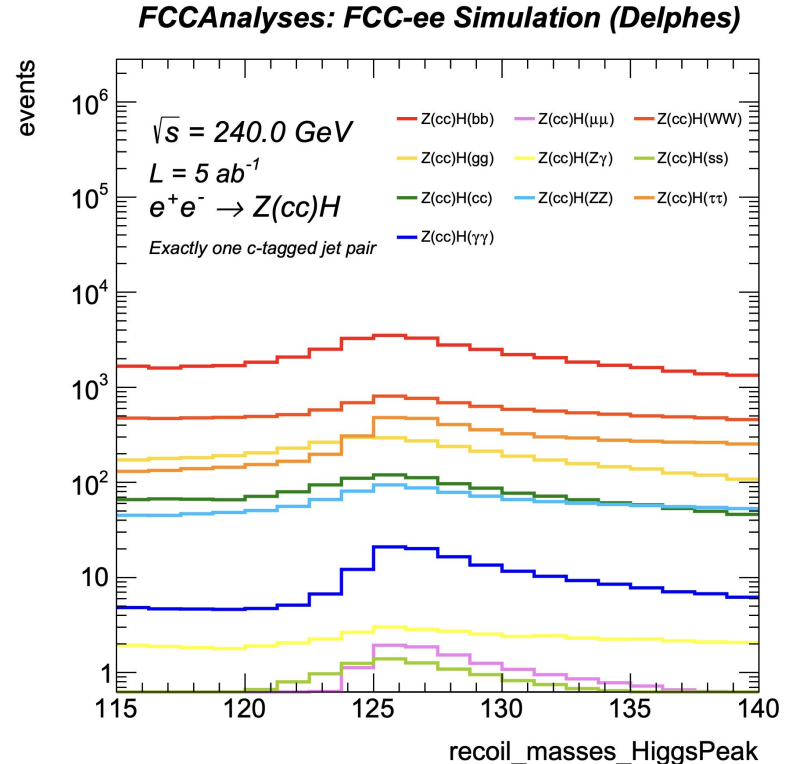
	No Selection	Exactly 4 jets	Ex one jet pair B tagged, near Higgs window	Ex one jet pair C tagged, near Higgs window
qq	263269500.000 $\pm$ 42479.442	261805416.364 $\pm$ 26180.539	6554221.233 $\pm$ 4142.379	4757393.459 $\pm$ 3529.180
WW	82192500.000 $\pm$ 2002.707	75993087.167 $\pm$ 4097.205	13484.571 $\pm$ 54.578	1134011.005 $\pm$ 500.506
ZZ	6794950.000 $\pm$ 315.381	6311147.022 $\pm$ 873.827	285306.970 $\pm$ 185.792	158321.758 $\pm$ 138.402

	WW	ZZ	qq
No Selection	1.0	1.0	1.0
Exactly 4 jets	0.925	0.929	0.994
Ex one jet pair B tagged, near Higgs window	0.000	0.042	0.025
Ex one jet pair C tagged, near Higgs window	0.014	0.023	0.018

- Requiring a c-tagged jet pair with a recoil mass near the Higgs removes ~ **77% - 86%** of background, but there are **large yields** left.

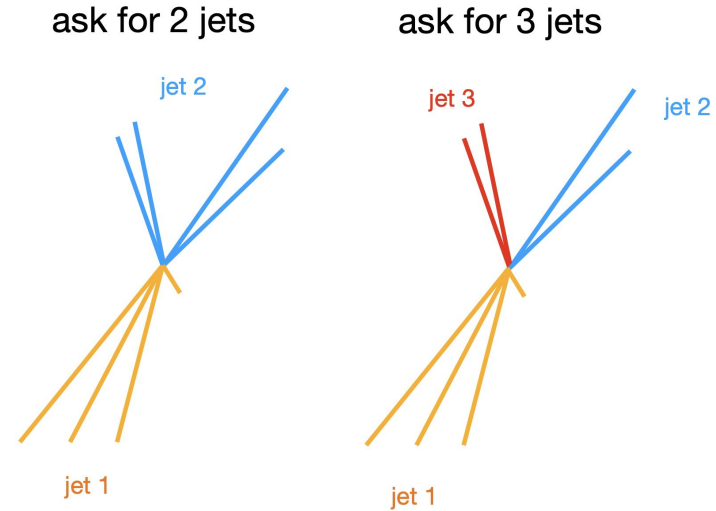
# Kinematic study: Signal Higgs mass

- See peaks from **other final states**
- Consistently see  $Z(cc)H(bb)$  with highest yield
- Other final states sub-dominant, but peak around 125 GeV.
- Can explore **channel dependent**  $kl$  effects



# Kinematic study: Re-clustering

- Using **exclusive jet re-clustering** - Require **four** jets per event
  - [\[6 March 2023 - FCC Higgs performance meeting\]](#), Jan Eysermans, Emmanuel Perez, Michele Selvaggi



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