

The Compact Linear Collider: physics potential

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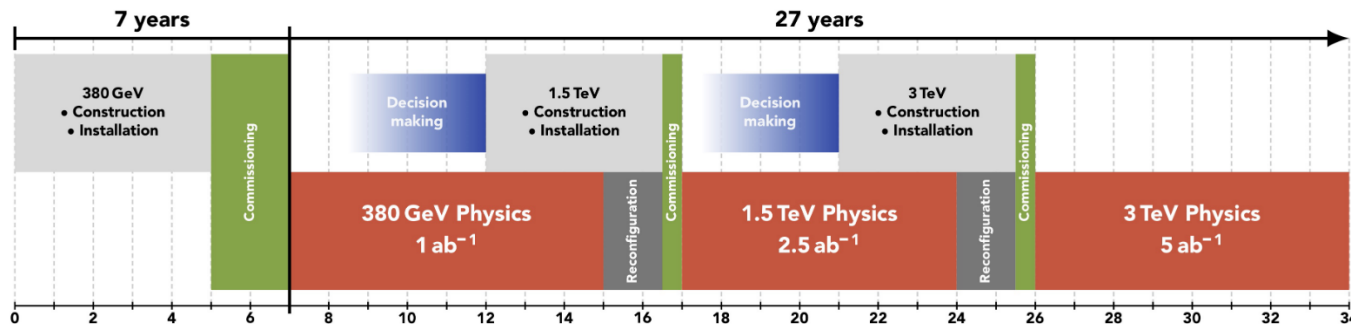
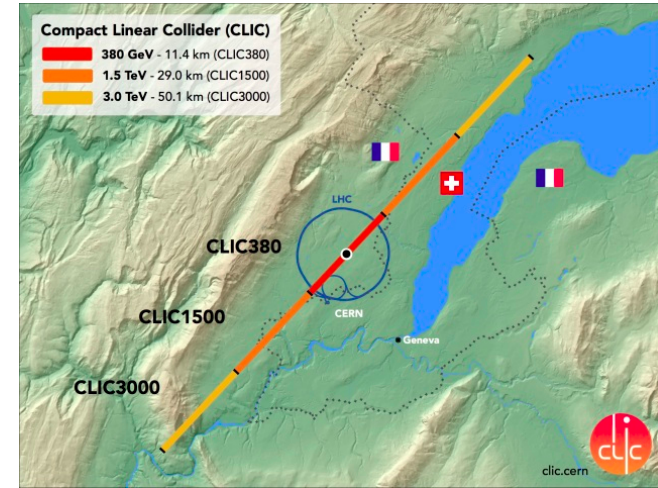
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Staged implementation

→ Possible adjustments based on any potential discoveries

Three main areas of research:

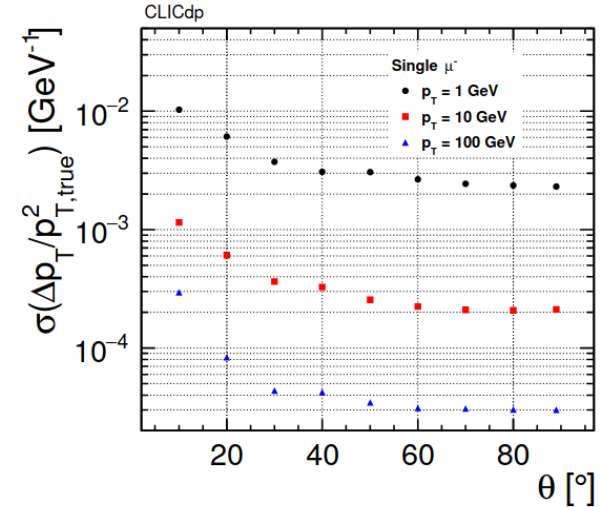
- Higgs physics
- Top physics
- Beyond Standard Model searches



Baseline: several energy stages

Stage	\sqrt{s} [GeV]	\mathcal{L}_{int} [fb ⁻¹]
1	380	1000
top scan	350	100
2	1500	2500
3	3000	5000

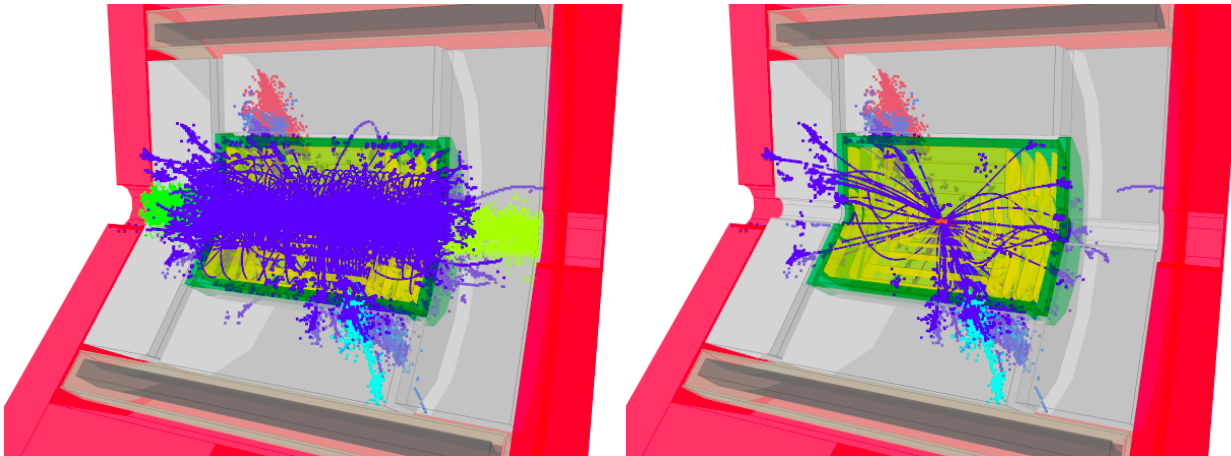
- **Whizard** (+Pythia) as the main generator
- Most of results based on **Geant4 full simulation**
- Comprehensive set of tools for reconstruction include:
 - Conformal Tracking, PandoraPFA libraries, VLC algorithm for jet reco.
 - tools for flavour tagging, isolation, and more
- Set of **Delphes cards** for fast simulation



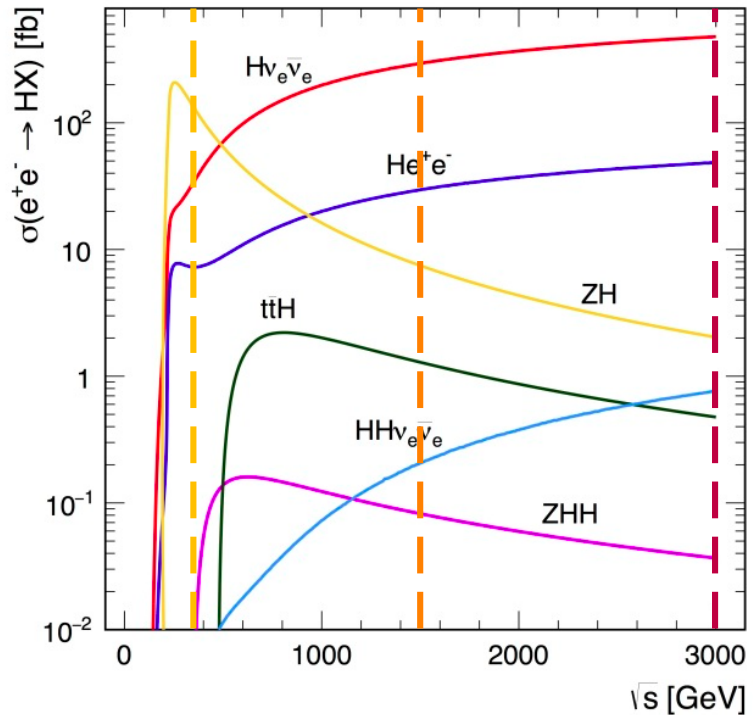
- **Beam-induced backgrounds** taken into account in full sim.
- Timing cuts applied to reduce $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow$ hadrons overlay events



tt events before and after cuts



Higgs boson



ZH (Higgsstrahlung)

- At 380 GeV (close to max. cross section)
- Precise **mass** and **coupling** measurements

Production in Vector Boson Fusion (VBF)

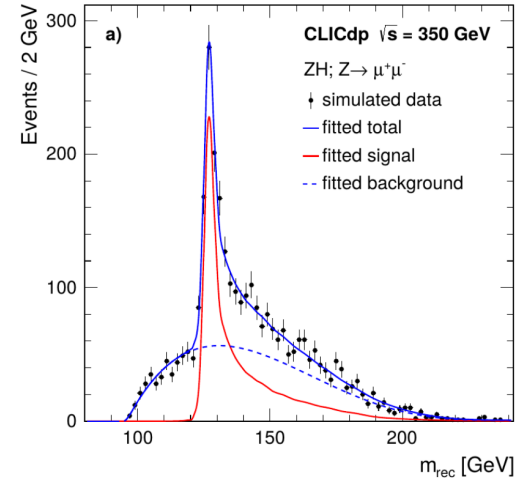
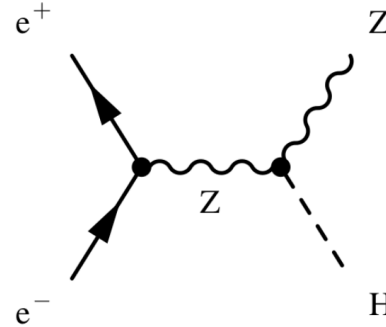
- WW fusion dominant at high energies
- Allows complementary measurements increasing precision

Di-Higgs production

- Significant cross section in WW fusion at 3 TeV
- Self-coupling measurement

ZH (Higgsstrahlung)

- Use $Z \rightarrow ee, \mu\mu$, and **Z recoil mass** to identify HZ events
 \rightarrow model-independent g_{HZZ} coupling determination
- Further improvement with $Z \rightarrow qq$

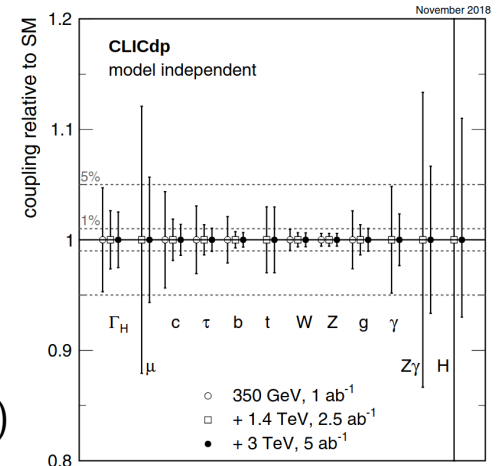


Invisible decays

- Model-independent measurement of $BR(H \rightarrow \text{inv.})$
- Can be constrained to **1%** at 95% C.L.

Model-independent global fit (no assumptions on BSM scenarios)

- Possible only at lepton colliders
- Fit to $\sigma \times BR$ measurements in HZ, VBF (different channels, energies)
- Precision $\lesssim 1\%$ for most couplings
- Model-dependent fit also possible (see [EPJ C 77 \(2017\) 475](#), [arXiv:1812.01644](#))



Higgs self-coupling

Determines shape of the scalar potential

→ important for vacuum metastability, hierarchy problem, electroweak phase transition and baryogenesis

Direct access possible only above 500 GeV c.m. energy

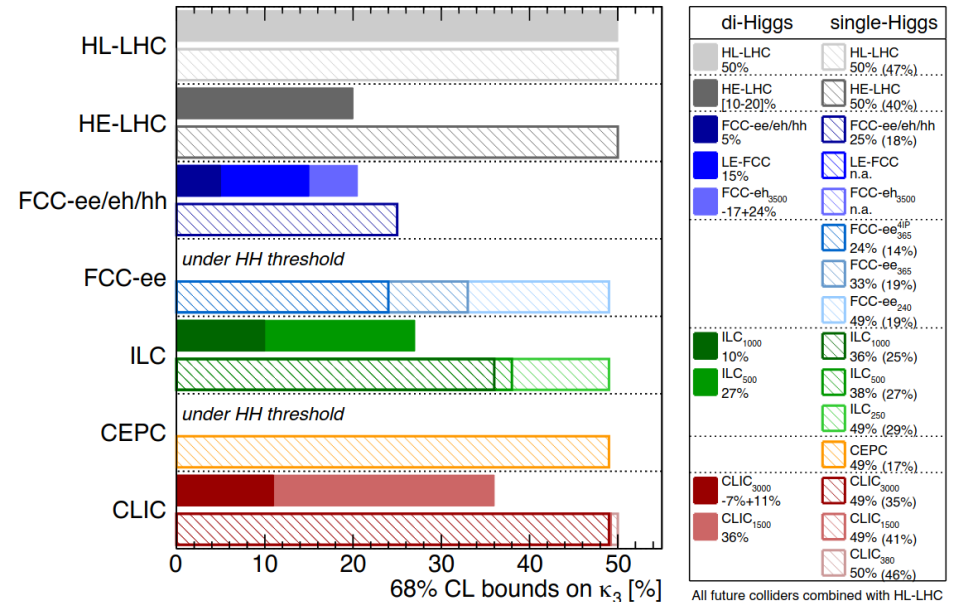
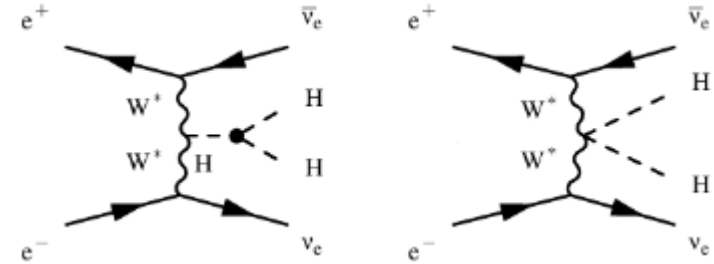
Cross section for $HH\nu\nu$ grows with energy

→ g_{HHH} can be extracted using:

- 1.5 TeV (ZHH and $HH\nu\nu$) and 3 TeV ($HH\nu\nu$) data
- Cross section measurements and distributions of sensitive variables

→ leads to **-8%, +11% precision on g_{HHH}**

As g_{HHWW} also contributes to $HH\nu\nu$, simultaneous fit can be performed to constrain both couplings



Top quark

tt production

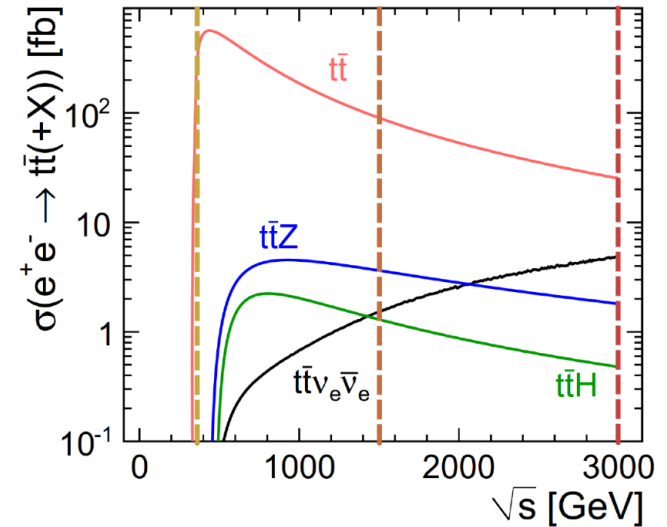
- At 380 GeV (close to max. cross section)
- Precise mass measurements

ttH production

- At 1.5 TeV (close to max. rate due to higher lumi)
- Top Yukawa coupling measurement

tt production in VBF

- At 3 TeV
- Sensitive to BSM effects



Other highlights in the top sector:

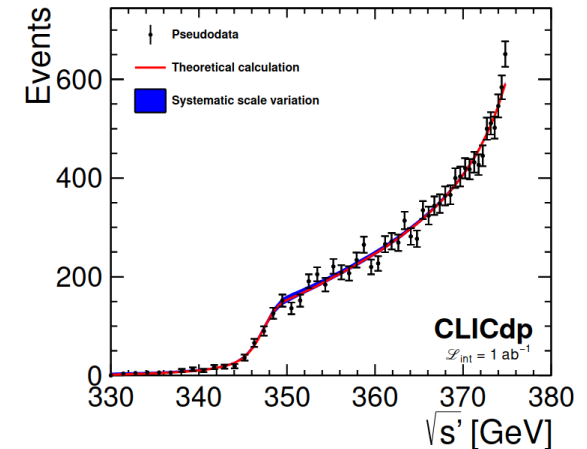
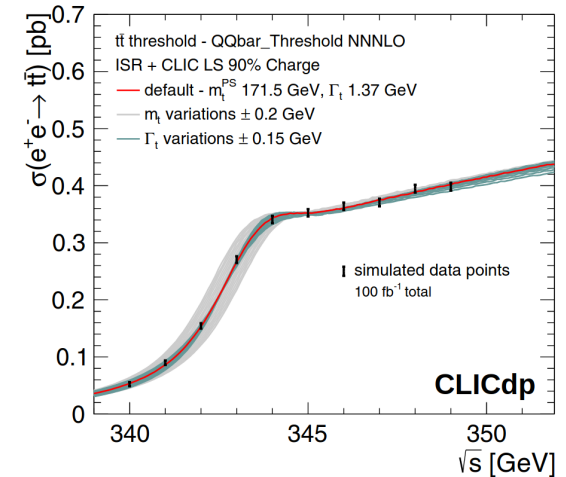
- Electroweak couplings
- CP properties (ttH)
- Forward-backward asymmetry
- New physics searches (compositeness, FCNC, and more)

Top threshold scan:

- Dedicated runs at 10 points (10 fb^{-1} each) around 350 GeV with reduced charge lumi. spectrum \rightarrow lower beamstrahlung
- Uncertainties from Yukawa and α_s couplings
- Most precise method for mass measurement \rightarrow uncert. **20 MeV (stat.)** and **50 MeV (tot.)**

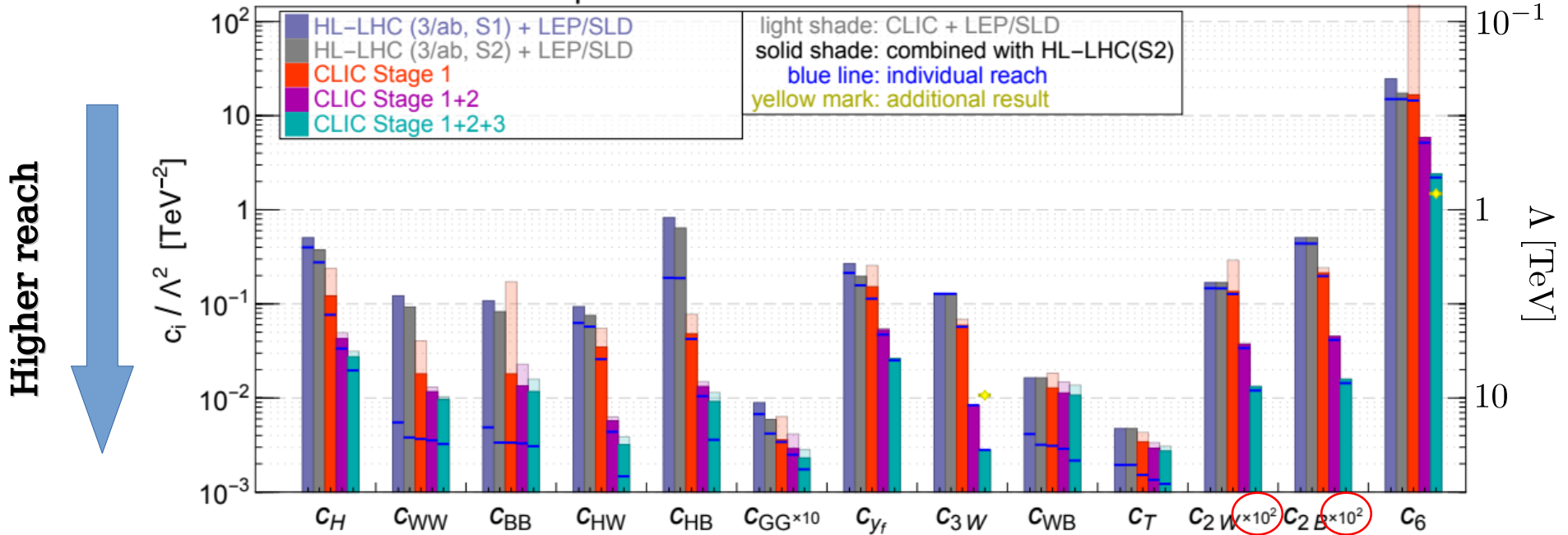
Complementary methods:

- Radiative events ($t\bar{t}\gamma$) at 380 GeV \rightarrow Similar method to threshold scan, $\sim 140 \text{ MeV}$ uncert.
- Direct mass reconstruction at 380 GeV \rightarrow large theoretical uncert., experimentally challenging



BSM physics

precision reach of the Universal EFT fit



Based on CLIC combined precision measurements of:

Higgs couplings, **top-quark observables**, **WW production** and **ee → ff**

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} O_i + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$$

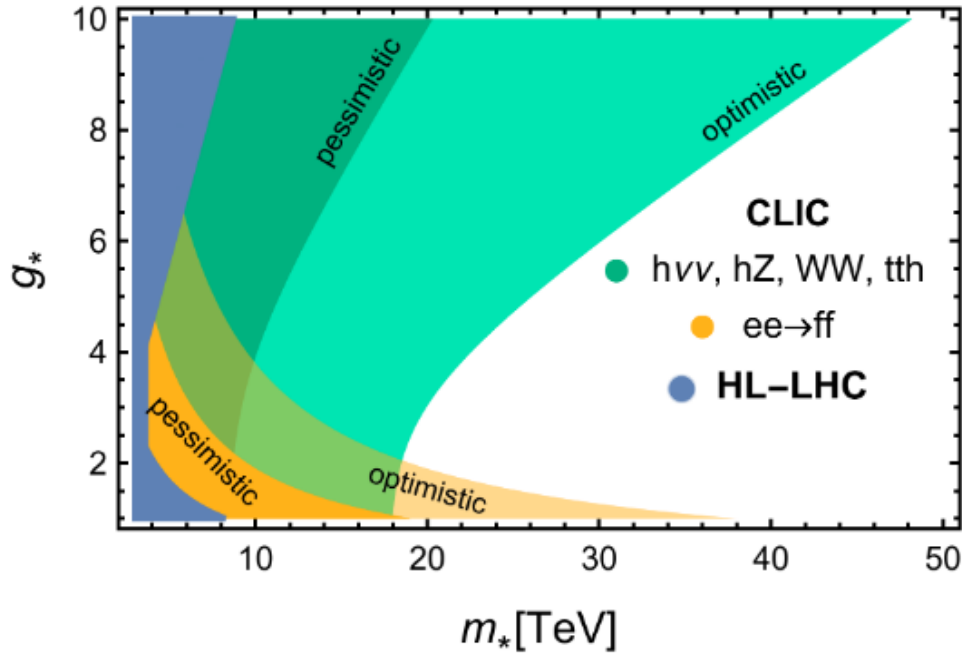
Direct BSM searches

Process	HL-LHC	CLIC
Higgs mixing with heavy singlet	$\sin^2 \gamma < 4\%$	$\sin^2 \gamma < 0.24\%$
Higgs self-coupling $\Delta\lambda$	$\sim 50\%$ at 68% C.L.	$[-8\%, 11\%]$ at 68% C.L.
BR(H \rightarrow inv.) (model-independent)		$< 1\%$ at 95% C.L.
Higgs compositeness scale m_*	$m_* > 3 \text{ TeV}$ ($> 7 \text{ TeV}$ for $g_* \simeq 8$)	Discovery up to $m_* = 10 \text{ TeV}$ (40 TeV for $g_* \simeq 8$)
Top compositeness scale m_*		Discovery up to $m_* = 8 \text{ TeV}$ (20 TeV for small coupling g_*)
Higgsino mass (disappearing track search)	$> 250 \text{ GeV}$	$> 1.2 \text{ TeV}$
Slepton mass		Discovery up to $\sim 1.5 \text{ TeV}$
RPV wino mass ($c\tau = 300 \text{ m}$)	$> 550 \text{ GeV}$	$> 1.5 \text{ TeV}$
Z' mass (SM couplings)	Discovery up to 7 TeV	Discovery up to 20 TeV
NMSSM scalar singlet mass	$> 650 \text{ GeV}$ ($\tan \beta \leq 4$)	$> 1.5 \text{ TeV}$ ($\tan \beta \leq 4$)
Twin Higgs scalar singlet mass	$m_\sigma = f > 1 \text{ TeV}$	$m_\sigma = f > 4.5 \text{ TeV}$
Relaxion mass (for vanishing mixing)	$< 24 \text{ GeV}$	$< 12 \text{ GeV}$
Relaxion mixing angle ($m_\phi < m_H/2$)		$\sin^2 \theta \leq 2.3\%$
Neutrino Type-2 see-saw triplet		$> 1.5 \text{ TeV}$ (for any triplet VEV) $> 10 \text{ TeV}$ (for triplet Yukawa coupling $\simeq 0.1$)
Inverse see-saw RH neutrino		$> 10 \text{ TeV}$ (for Yukawa coupling $\simeq 1$)
Scale $V_{LL}^{-1/2}$ for LFV ($\bar{e}e$)($\bar{e}\tau$)		$> 42 \text{ TeV}$

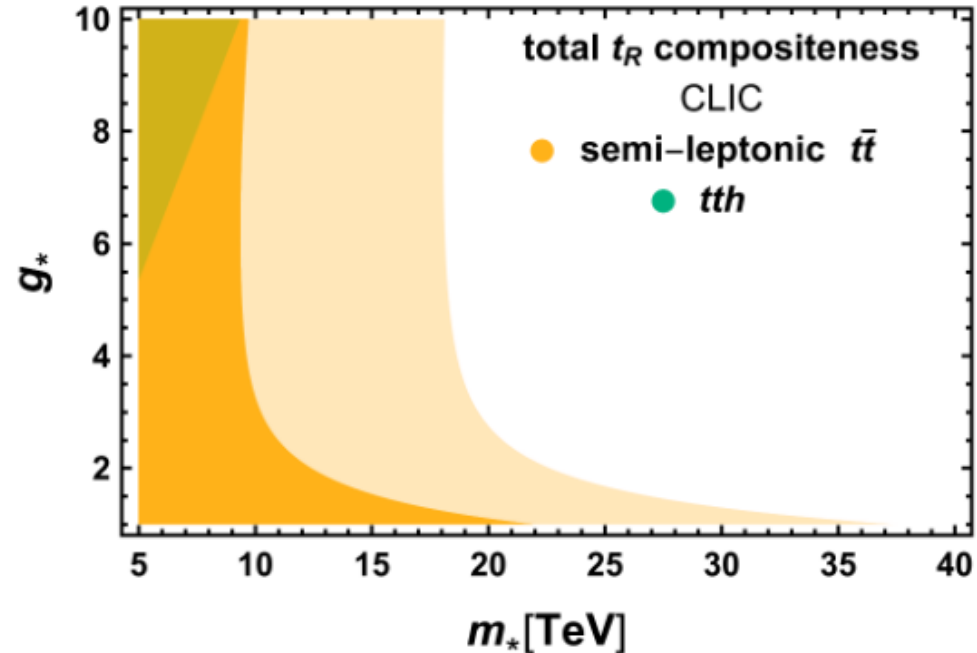
- CLIC, as a mature option for a future Higgs factory, has a broad physics programme for staged running at 380 GeV, 1.5 TeV, and 3 TeV
- Higgsstrahlung channel allows for Higgs measurements independent on its decay channels
- Higgs couplings can be measured at CLIC with unprecedented precision in a model-independent way
- CLIC is the earliest project where less than 10% precision on Higgs self-coupling can be reached
- Top quark measurements include precise determination of mass and width (in the threshold scan), Yukawa and EW couplings
- CLIC high energy stages offers great possibility for direct BSM searches, in many cases surpassing HL-LHC reach

BACKUP

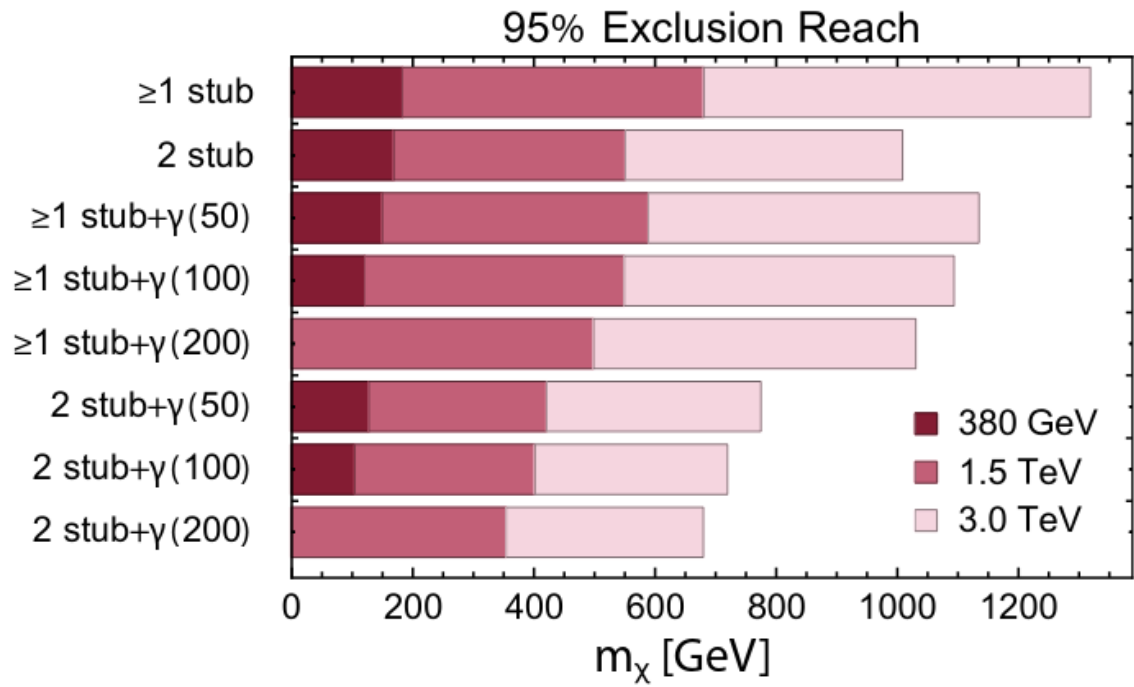
Higgs and top compositeness



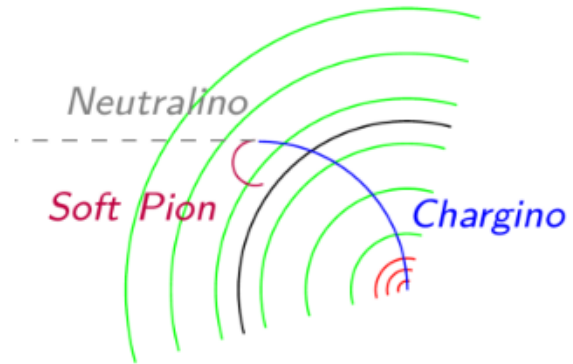
Higgs compositeness scale and coupling



Top compositeness scale and coupling

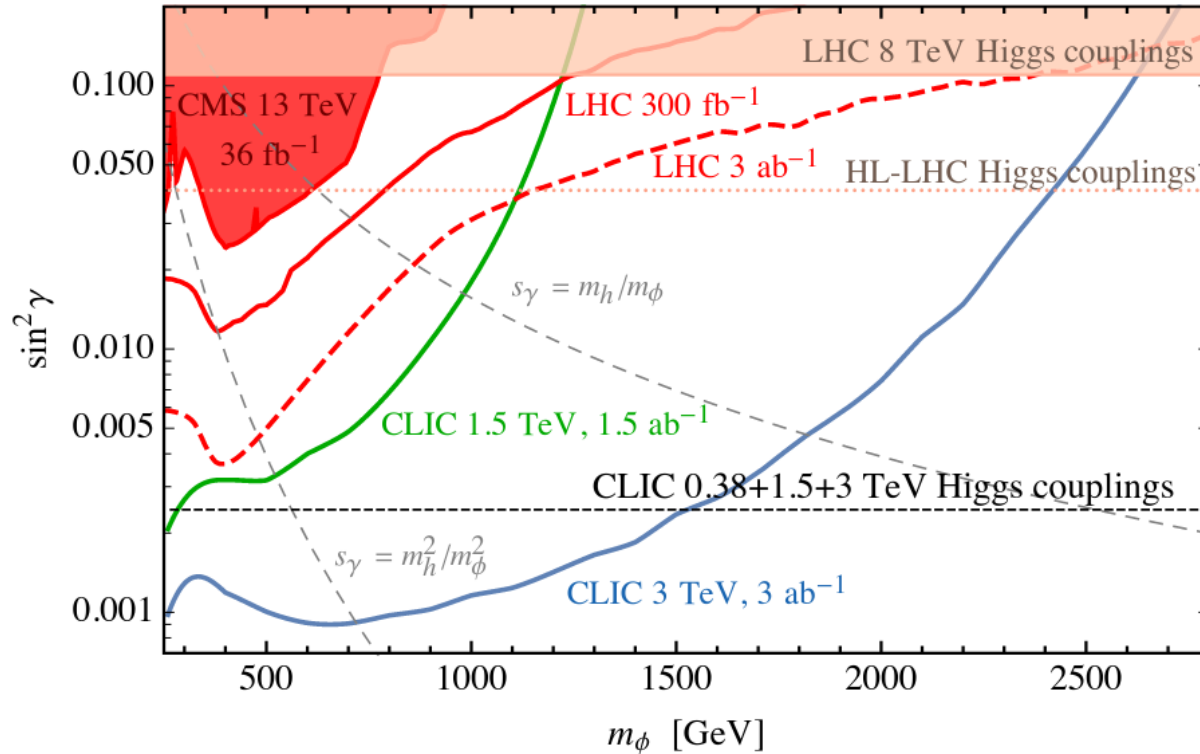


- Small mass difference between higgsino and neutralino
- At least 4 hits in tracker required



→ Reachable higgsino mass of 1.1 TeV required for exact DM relic density

Heavy Scalar Singlets



Heavy scalar SM singlet mixing with the Higgs boson
 Limits from **direct** production and **indirect** from Higgs couplings

[arXiv:1812.02093](https://arxiv.org/abs/1812.02093)

Invisible scalar decays

$BR(H_{SM} \rightarrow \text{inv.}) < 1\%$ (95% CL.)
 (380 GeV, 1 ab^{-1})

Higgs Portal

SM-like Higgs field

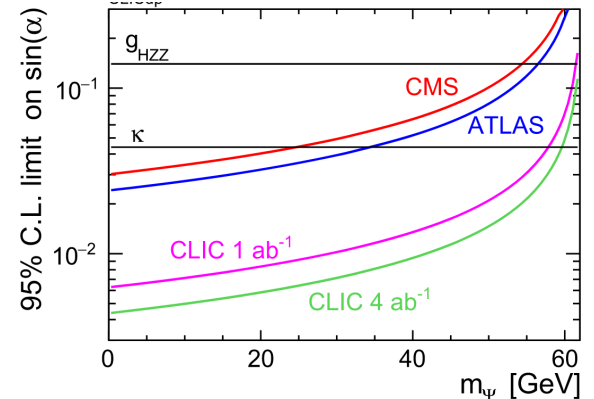
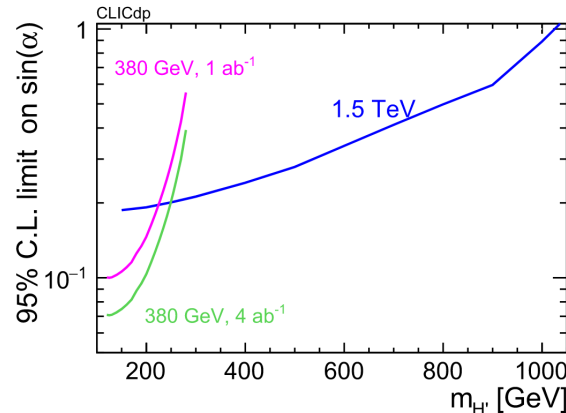
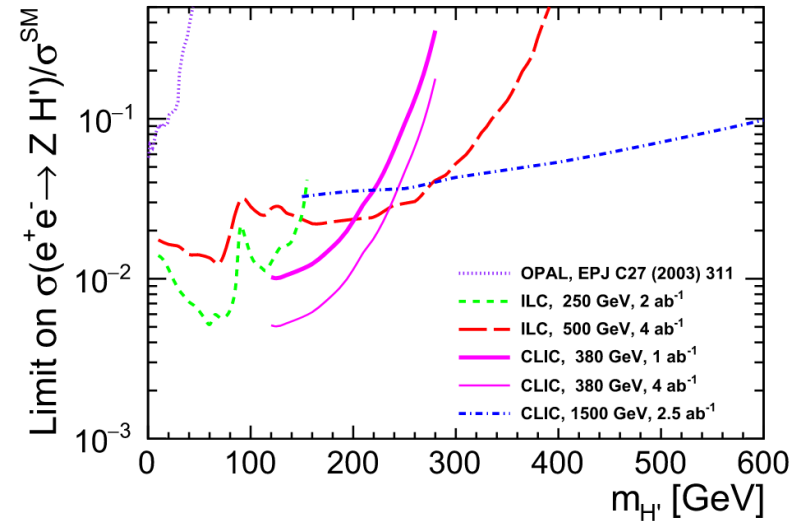
$$\begin{pmatrix} H \\ H' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h \\ \phi \end{pmatrix}$$

125 GeV state (pointing to H)
 new scalar field (pointing to ϕ)

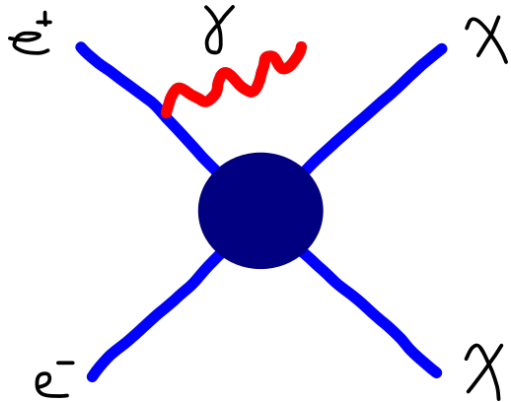
Interpretation in terms of **Vector-fermion DM Model**

Much better constraints than current from **ATLAS** and **CMS**

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DM searches - mono-photon channel



Most general approach for DM search

Simplified DM Models framework

Vector, **axial-vector** and **scalar** mediators

Coupling $ge_Y = 0.1, 1$

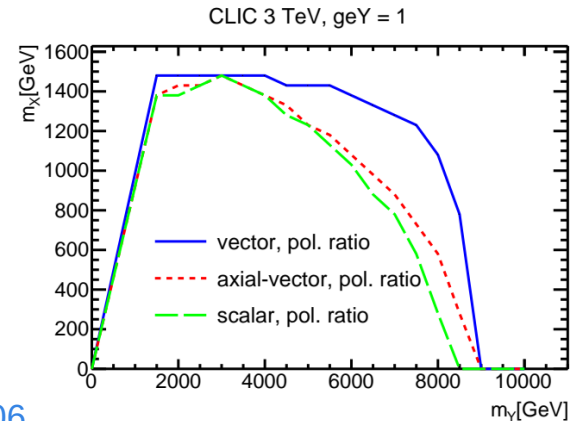
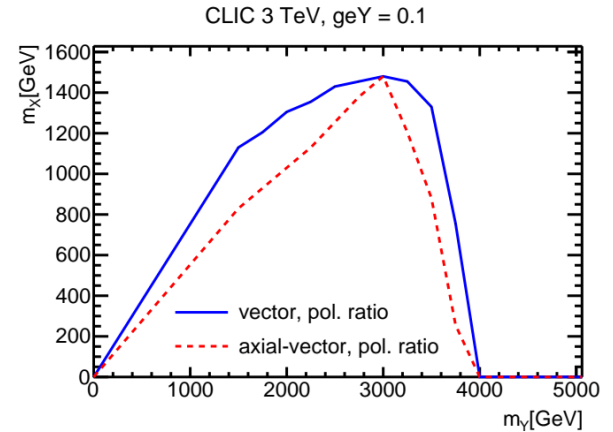
+80%, **-80%** and **no** beam **polarisation** considered

Best limits using: $\sigma(Pe=-80\%)/\sigma(Pe=+80\%)$
(sys. uncert. cancel)

Discrimination between vector and axial-vector mediators,
with $m_Y = 3.5$ TeV, $m_X = 1$ TeV

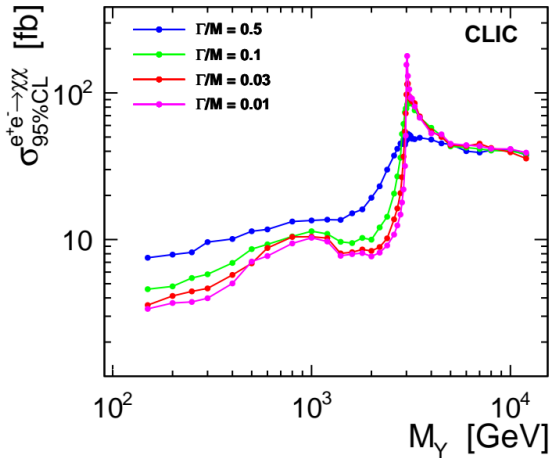
WIMP mass determination with **1% accuracy**

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

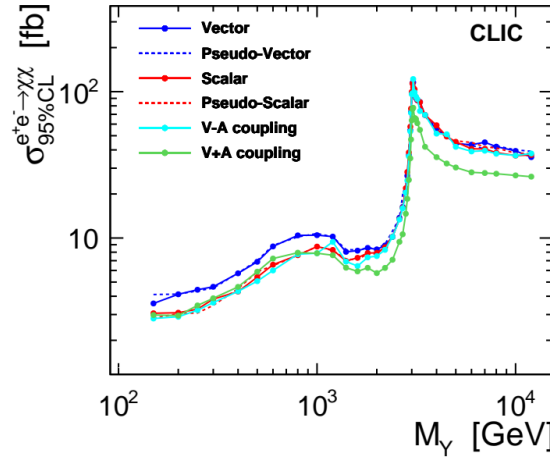


Small masses and **couplings**

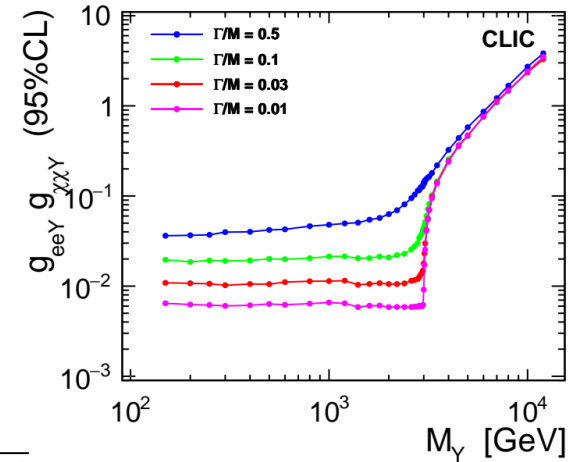
„**Experimental**” approach – limits depending on width and mass



Light fermionic DM pair-production for vector mediator



Combined limits, $\Gamma/M = 0.3$



Weak dependence on the **model scenario!**

For high masses limits on EFT mass scale:
6-10 TeV

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

Inert Doublet Model

Good agreement between **full** and **fast** simulation
 → **realistic predictions** for all scenarios

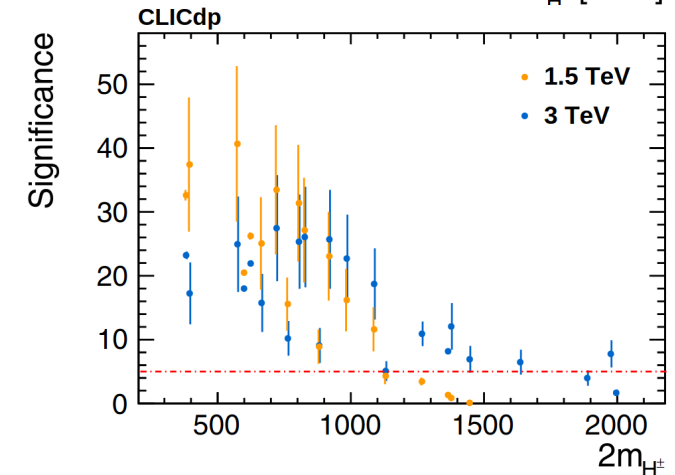
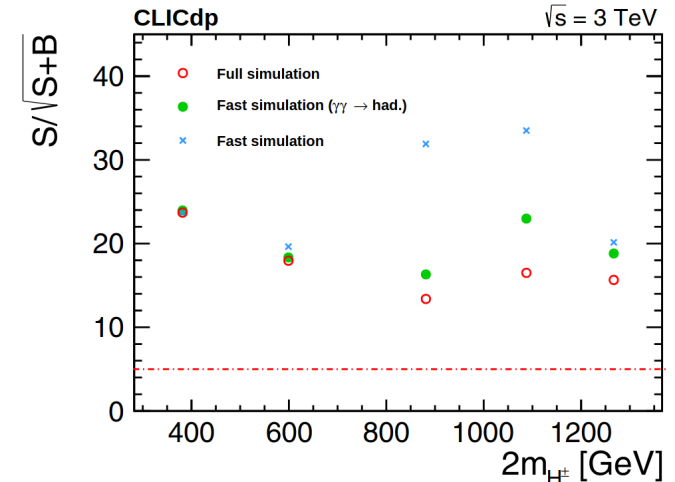
Wide range of scenarios at **1.5 TeV** and **3 TeV** CLIC analysed

Almost all scenarios could be discovered

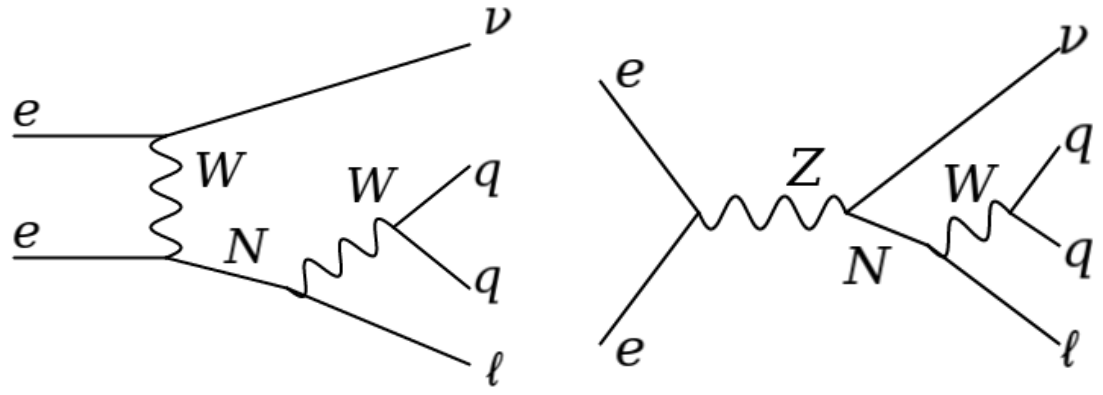
Scalars with **masses of 1 TeV accessible**
 → significant **increase** w.r.t. previous study
 (based on leptonic channel)

Significance reaching even **50 σ**

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Heavy neutrinos

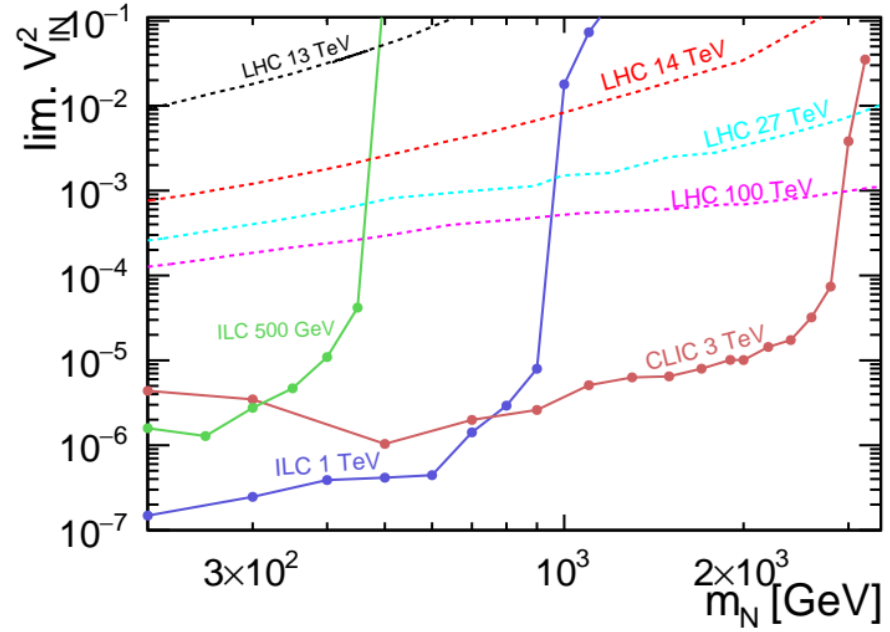


Based on DELPHES simulation, with $e\gamma$, $\gamma\gamma$ backgrounds considered

Observation expected almost up to the **kinematic limit**

Limits stronger than from **LHC** and **FCC-hh**

Semi-leptonic channel allows full neutrino reconstruction



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