

New scalars at High Energy Lepton Colliders

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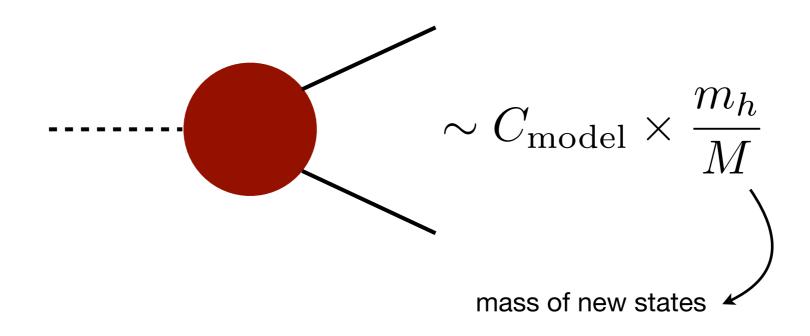
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Higgs physics vs. High Energy searches

CLIC will be able to measure Higgs properties with a precision of ~ a few 10⁻³



If in the few TeV range, it is possible to directly produce the new particles.

Are direct searches for the new states at CLIC able to compete with the sensitivity in Higgs physics?

Reference model: scalar singlet

At the risk of being trivial... Take just the SM + real scalar singlet

- Very simple model: easy enough to test capabilities of a collider with just a few meaningful parameters
- Nevertheless, appears in several motivated physics scenarios
 - Low energy effective theory of Mirror/Twin Higgs models,
 - Realised in the NMSSM,
 - Paradigm for 1st order ElectroWeak phase transition,
 - Non-minimal composite Higgs,
 - More general dark sectors...
- Large (tree-level) Higgs couplings modifications, easily related to direct singlet production cross-section

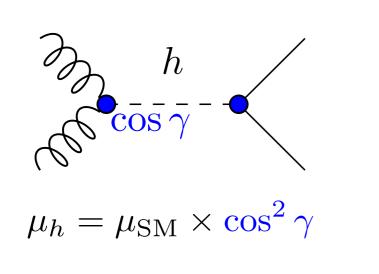
Scalar singlet phenomenology

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{SM}} + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{\mu}S)^{2} + \frac{1}{2}m_{S}^{2}S^{2} + a_{HS}|H|^{2}S + \frac{\lambda_{HS}}{2}|H|^{2}S^{2} + V(S)$$
 controls Higgs-singlet mixing ~ sin γ portal coupling \Rightarrow BR($\phi \rightarrow hh$), g_{hhh}

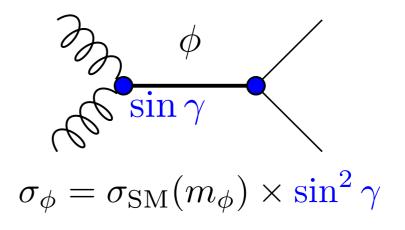
$$h = c_{\gamma}H^{0} + s_{\gamma}S_{\gamma}$$

mass eigenstates:
$$h = c_{\gamma}H^{0} + s_{\gamma}S$$
, $\phi = -s_{\gamma}H^{0} + c_{\gamma}S$

Higgs signal strengths:



φ can be singly produced:



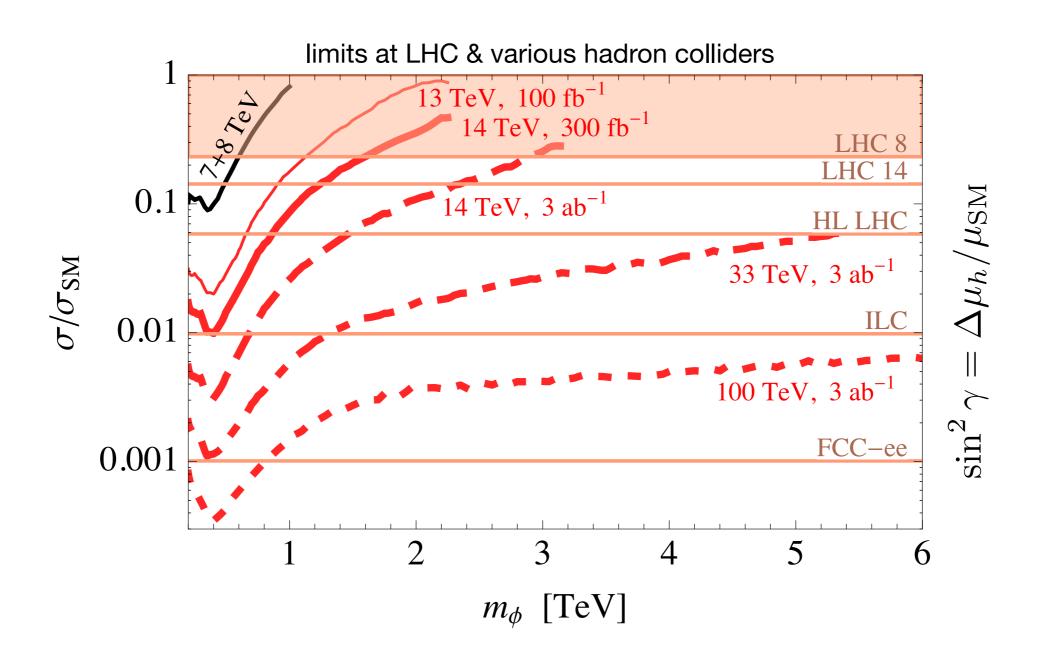
φ decays to SM:

$$BR_{\phi \to VV,ff} = BR_{SM}(m_{\phi}) [1 - BR_{\phi \to hh}]$$

ф is like a heavy SM Higgs with narrow width + hh channel

Direct vs indirect searches

Very easy to relate direct searches and Higgs couplings: [see also 1505.05488]

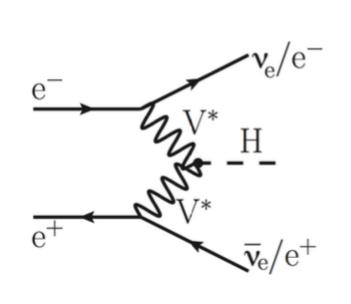


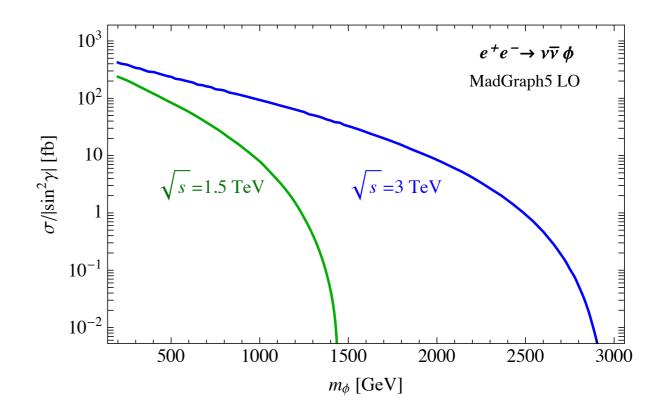
What about CLIC?

Scalar singlets at CLIC

φ is like a heavy SM Higgs with narrow width

At a High Energy Lepton Collider, the dominant production mode is VBF





The dominant decay modes are into bosons. Equivalence theorem:

$$BR_{\phi \to hh} = BR_{\phi \to ZZ} = \frac{1}{2} BR_{\phi \to WW} \simeq \frac{1}{4}, \qquad m_{\phi} \gg m_{h}$$

- φ → ZZ(41,212j): very clean, some EW background; main channel at LHC.
- φ → hh(4b): also clean channel, very sensitive; more challenging at LHC.

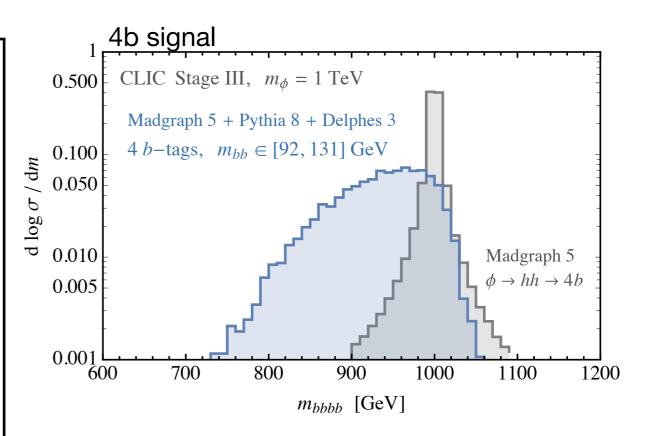
hh(4b) decay channel

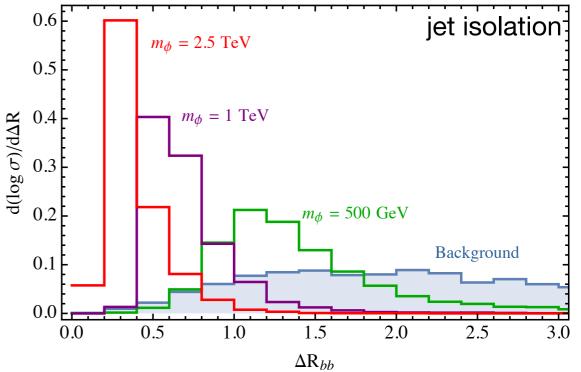
Main backgrounds: hh, ZZ, Zh. We simulate the full $e+e- \rightarrow 4b + 2v$

- Detector simulation with CLICdp Delphes card
- VLC exclusive jet reconstruction, N = 4, R = 0.7
- 4 b-tags (loose criterion)
- h reconstruction: select the b pairs that give the best fit to two 125 GeV Higgs bosons, 90 GeV < m_{bb} < 130 GeV
- ϕ reconstruction: 0.75 $m_{\phi} < m_{4b} < 1.05 m_{\phi}$
- Other cuts: $p_T > 20$ GeV, $E_{miss} > 30$ GeV, $|\cos \theta_h| < 0.9$

Signal efficiency ε_{sig}~ 25 – 30%

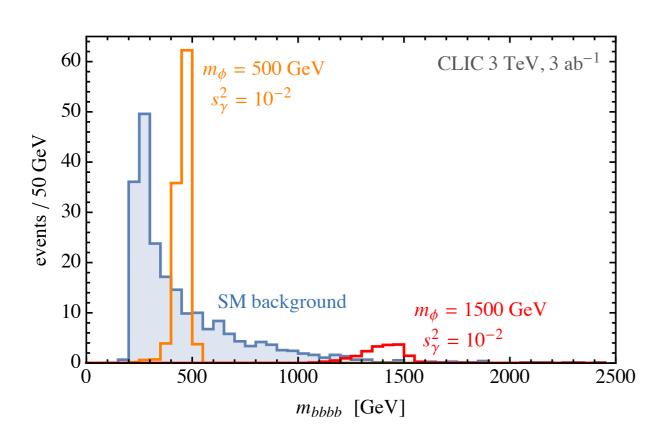
Background reduced by $\varepsilon_{bkg} \sim 10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$

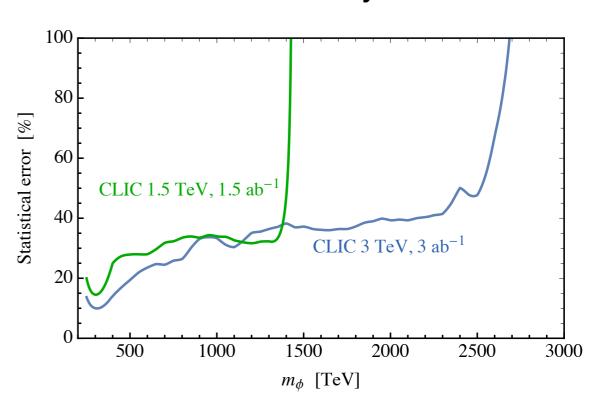




hh(4b) decay channel

Very small background above ~ 500 GeV, the error is dominated by statistics





Cut & count experiment around the resonance peak:

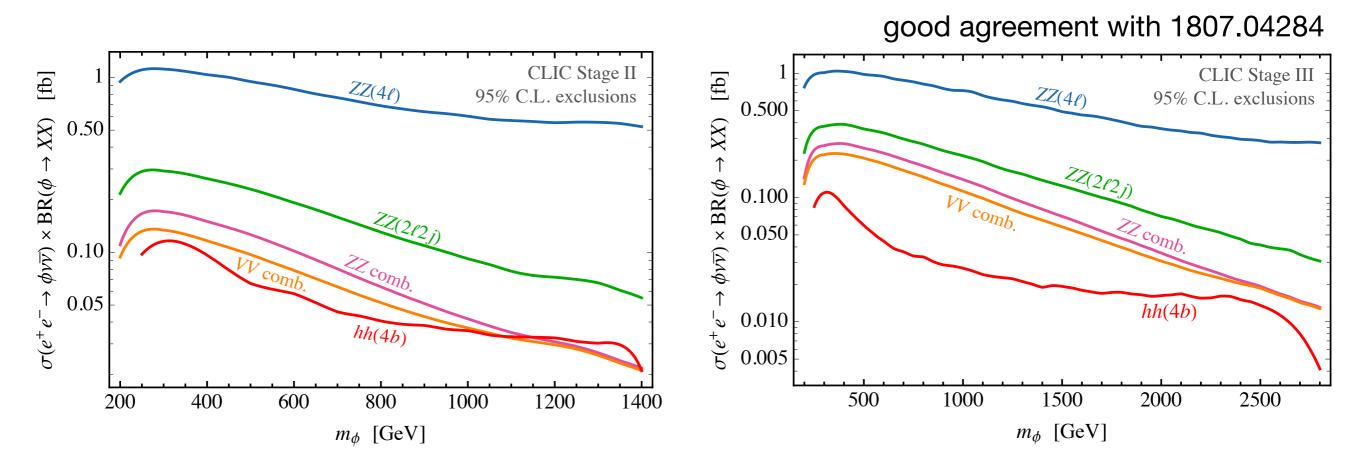
$${\rm significance} = \frac{N_{\rm sig}}{\sqrt{(N_{\rm sig}+N_{\rm bkg})+\alpha_{\rm sys}^2N_{\rm bkg}^2}} \qquad \qquad \alpha_{\rm sys}=2\% \quad \text{(but it has no impact)}$$

Asymptotic value of excluded cross-section (limit of no bkg):

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \to \phi\nu\bar{\nu}) \times \text{BR}(\phi \to f) \simeq 3/L,$$

The reach in di-bosons at CLIC

- For BR($\phi \rightarrow hh$) ~ 0.25, the most sensitive channel is $\phi \rightarrow hh \rightarrow 4b$
- Low backgrounds: limits depend weakly on ϕ mass and collider energy
- $\phi \rightarrow VV$ less sensitive, but complementary (BR($\phi \rightarrow hh$) can be small)
- $\phi \rightarrow VV$ analysis done at parton-level: ZZ inv. mass in a window around the resonance peak... we checked that it reproduces the full result very well



Direct vs indirect reach

 $\phi \rightarrow WW$, ZZ and $\phi \rightarrow hh$ searches are complementary:

$$BR_{\phi \to VV} \approx 1 - BR_{\phi \to hh}$$

0.100
0.050

Higgs couplings, CLIC 380 GeV

CLIC 1.5 TeV

CLIC 3 TeV

 $m_{\phi} = 2$ TeV, CLIC 3 TeV

 $m_{\phi} = 500$ GeV, CLIC 1.5 TeV

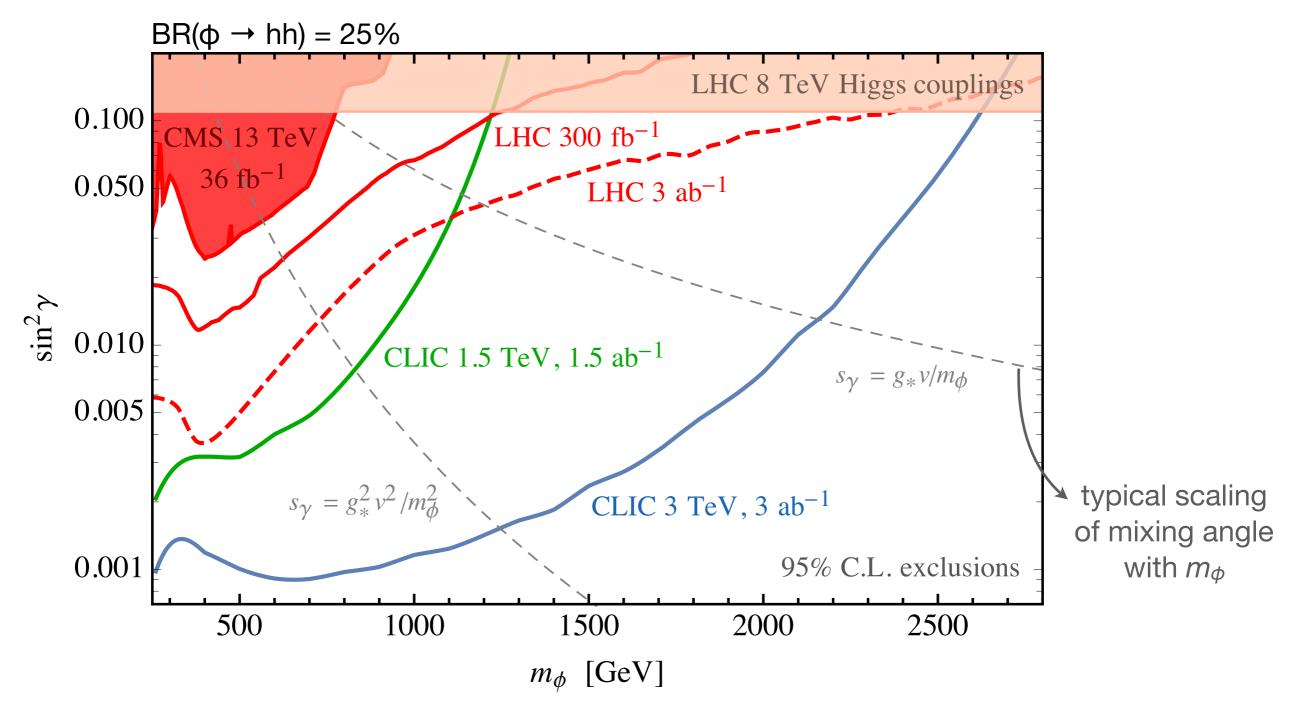
1.×10⁻⁴
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Especially for lower masses, and sizeable BR_{hh} direct searches @ CLIC will be more sensitive than Higgs coupling measurements

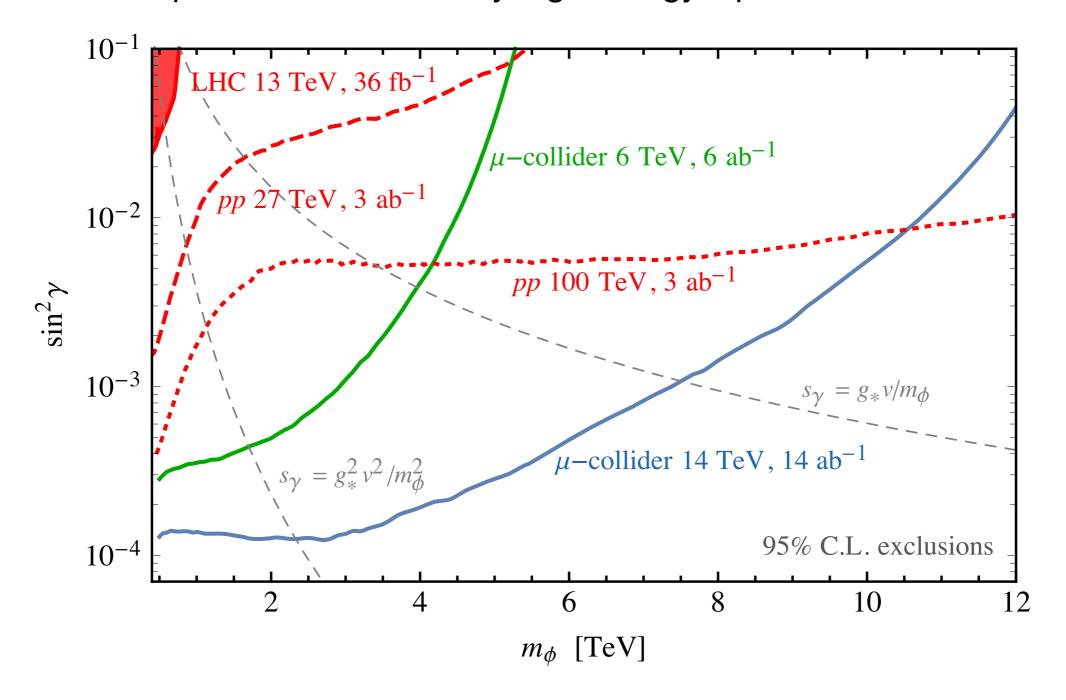
Direct vs indirect reach



CLIC @ 3 TeV is capable to significantly improve over the reach of HL-LHC

Direct vs indirect reach: high energy colliders

One can compare the reach of very high energy lepton & hadron colliders



 For this class of models, a high-energy μ collider is much more powerful than a 100 TeV pp collider!

SUSY: the NMSSM

$$W = W_{\text{MSSM}} + \lambda S H_u H_d + f(S)$$

Extra tree-level contribution to the Higgs mass

$$M_{hh}^2 = m_Z^2 c_{2\beta}^2 + \lambda^2 v^2 s_{2\beta}^2 + \Delta^2$$

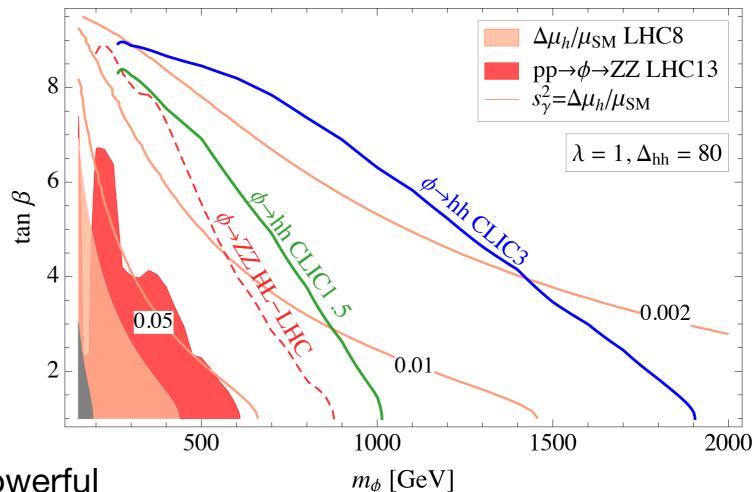
 \diamond Alleviates fine-tuning in v for $\lambda \gtrsim 1$ and moderate $\tan \beta$

The singlet can be the lightest new state of the Higgs sector

Recast the previous bounds:

$$\sin^2\gamma = \frac{M_{hh}^2 - m_h^2}{m_\phi^2 - m_h^2}$$

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 loop correction to Higgs mass from top-stop



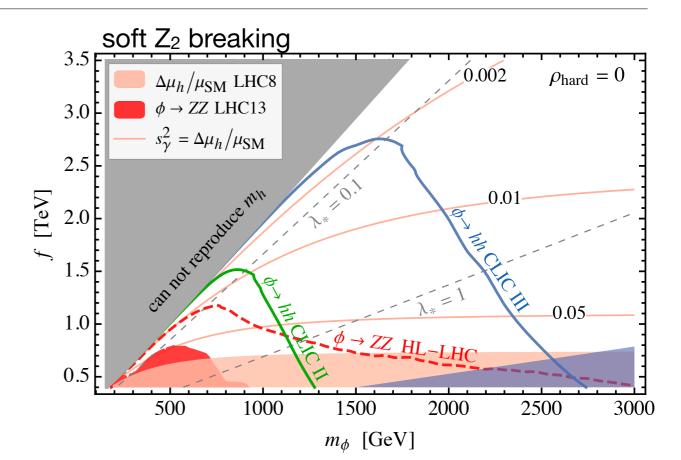
Weakly coupled: direct searches powerful

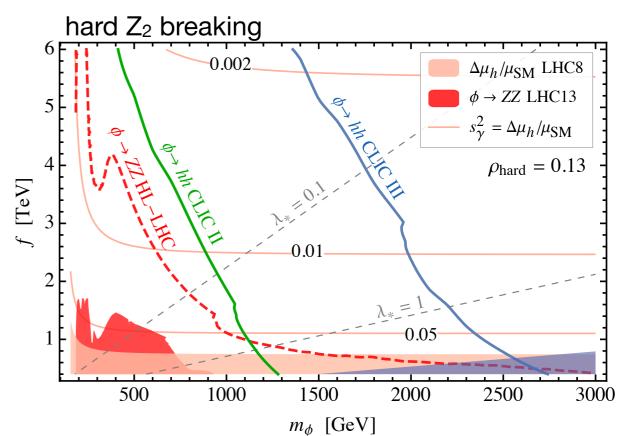
Twin Higgs

- Higgs mass is protected from radiative corrections without new light colored states
- Two copies of the SM, with approximate Z₂ symmetry, coupled through the Higgs portal
- Higgs is a pseudo-Goldstone

$$\sin^2 \gamma \sim v^2/f^2$$

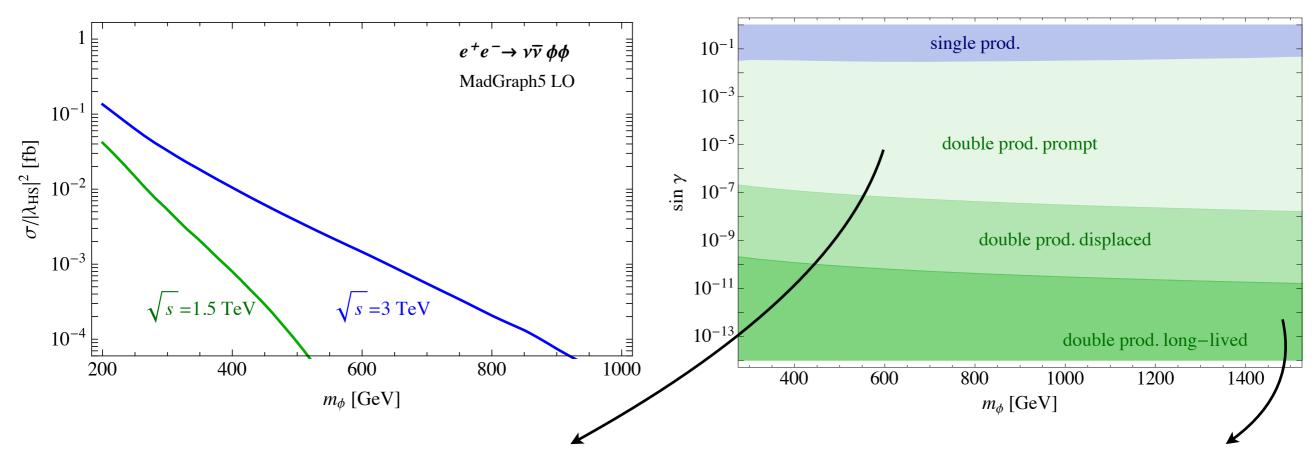
- Model-independent tests:
 - √ Higgs couplings
 - ✓ Search for the singlet





Pair production

- In the limit of small mixing angle, the single production rate of ϕ vanishes
 - ▶ the Lagrangian has an approximate Z_2 symmetry $\phi \rightarrow -\phi$
- The double production rate does not depend on the mixing: controlled by the portal coupling λ_{HS}

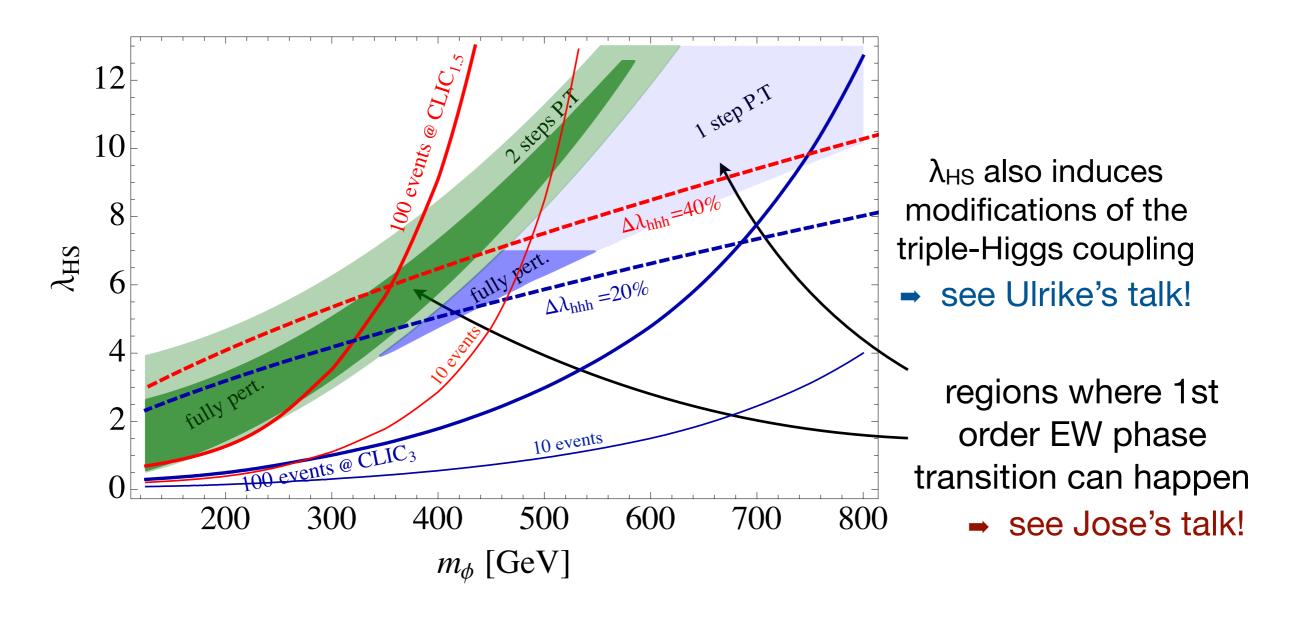


we focus on a region of small non-zero mixing: the singlet decays to SM bosons in the detector φ is invisible: requires a different treatment

[see e.g. 1409.0005]

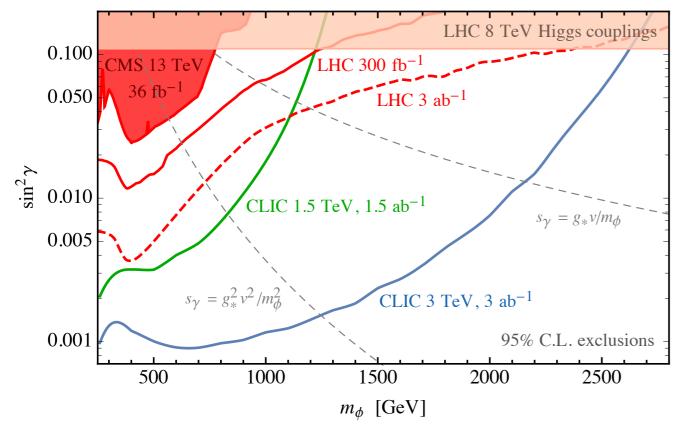
Pair production: results

 Final states with 4 Higgs (e.g. 8b) or vector bosons: small backgrounds few events are needed to test the model at CLIC



 Even more stringent bounds in the case of displaced decays: virtually all the φ can be identified, no background

Summary

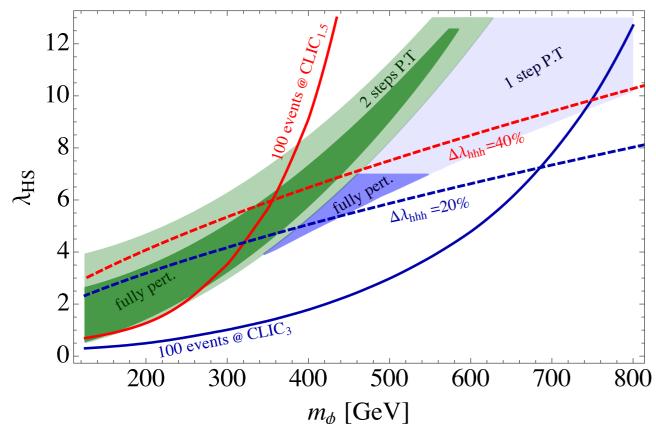


HELC are strong discovery machines: CLIC @ 3 TeV better than HL-LHC

Can directly probe regions with deviations in Higgs couplings ~ 10⁻³

Double production: relevant for small mixing

Can fully test the region that gives 1st order EWPT





The flavour anomalies

Hints of violations of Lepton Flavour Universality in B-meson decays

• Charged currents: $b \rightarrow c\tau v$ (tree-level in SM)

$$R_{D^{(*)}} = \frac{\mathrm{BR}(B \to D^{(*)} \tau \bar{\nu})}{\mathrm{BR}(B \to D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu})} \sim 4\sigma$$

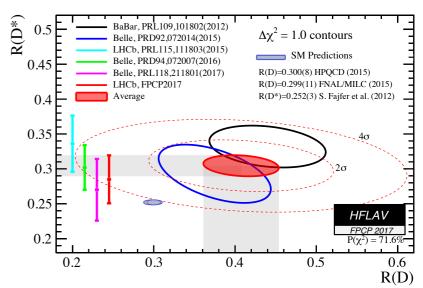
• Neutral currents: $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ (FCNC: loop in SM)

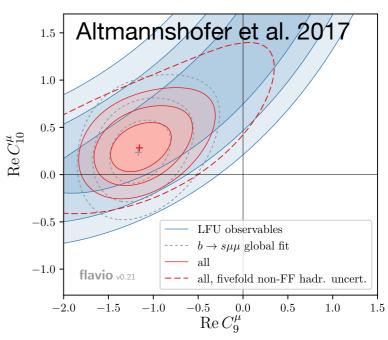
$$R_{K^{(*)}} = \frac{\mathrm{BR}(B \to K^{(*)}\mu^{+}\mu^{-})}{\mathrm{BR}(B \to K^{(*)}e^{+}e^{-})}$$
 ~ 5 σ

+ several branching ratios and angular distributions

All measurements consistent with NP in LH currents:

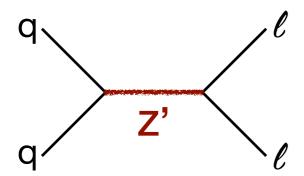
$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_S^2} (\bar{q}_L^i \gamma_\mu q_L^j) (\bar{\ell}_L^\alpha \gamma^\mu \ell_L^\beta) + \frac{1}{\Lambda_T^2} (\bar{q}_L^i \gamma_\mu \sigma^a q_L^j) (\bar{\ell}_L^\alpha \gamma^\mu \sigma^a \ell_L^\beta)$$



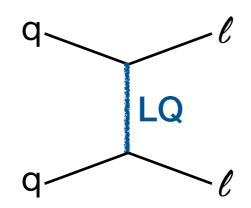


Flavour structure reminds Yukawa couplings: larger effect for heavier gen's

Mediators



Vector resonances: too large meson mixing + LHC searches



Leptoquarks: best candidates that fit all the anomalies; vector or scalar

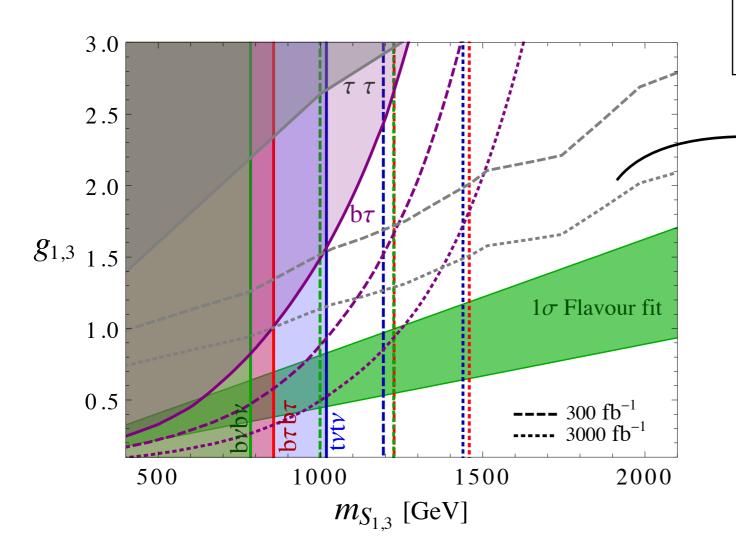
Assumption on flavour structure:

Large coupling to third generation, couplings to lighter generations are flavor-suppressed (CKM)

Difficult searches at the LHC: HL-LHC will not probe the full param. space

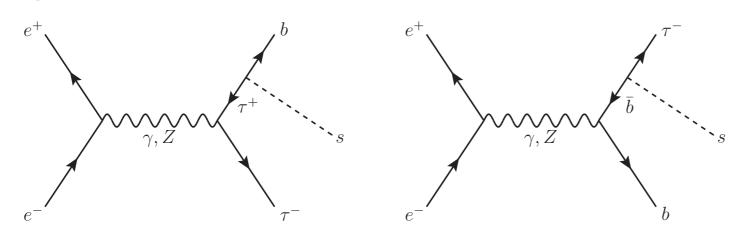
what is the reach of CLIC in this plane?

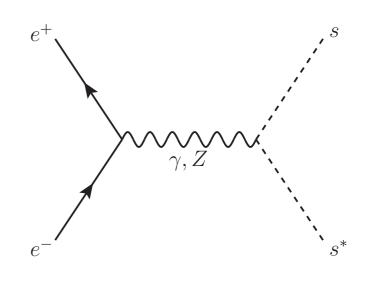
(LHC will exclude up to ~1.5 TeV: consider only CLIC Stage III)



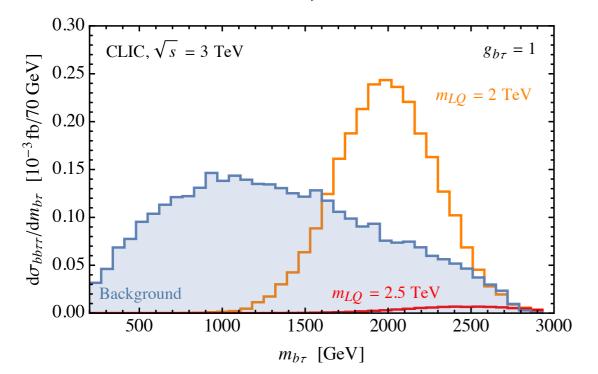
3rd generation leptoquarks @ CLIC

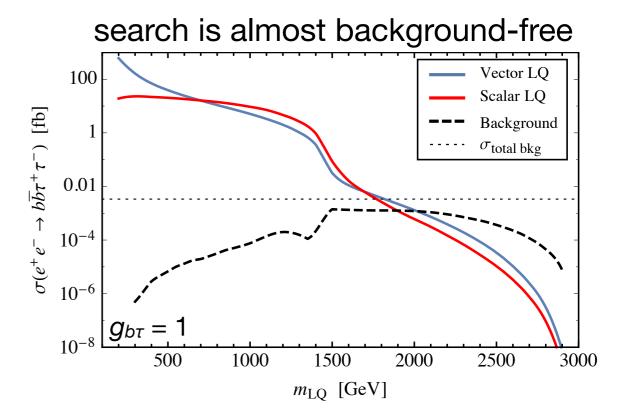
- Pair production: large cross-section when allowed, does not depend on coupling to fermions
- Single production: radiation from bb or ττ pair





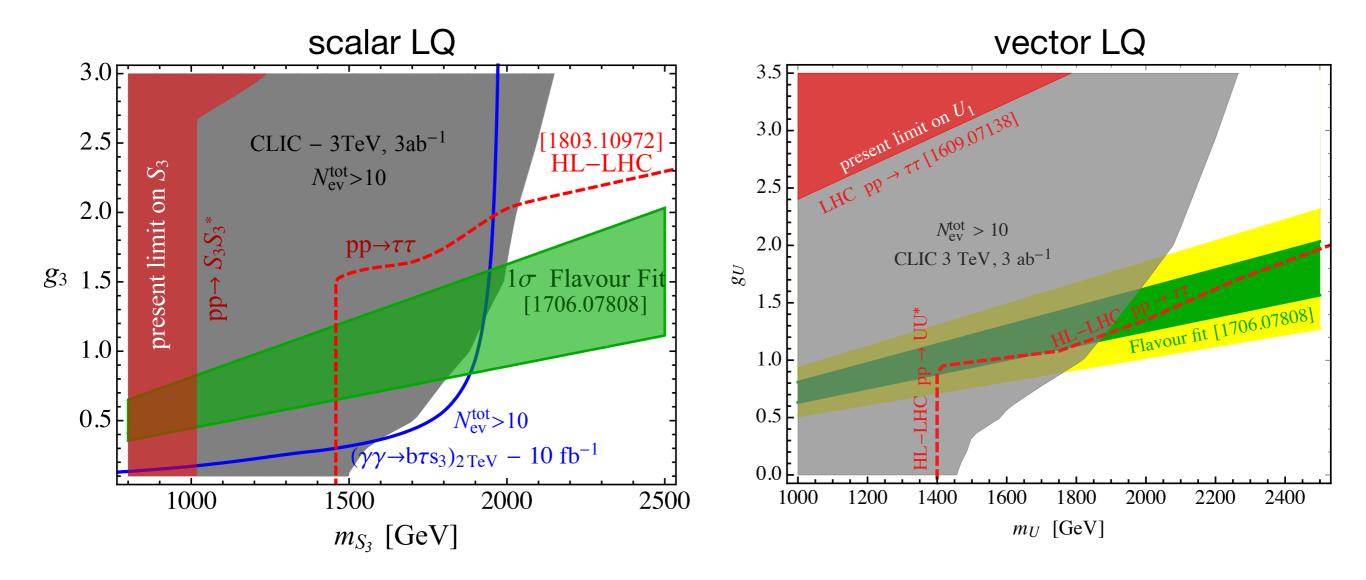
⇒ bbtt final state, with $m_{bt} \sim M_{LQ}$





Results

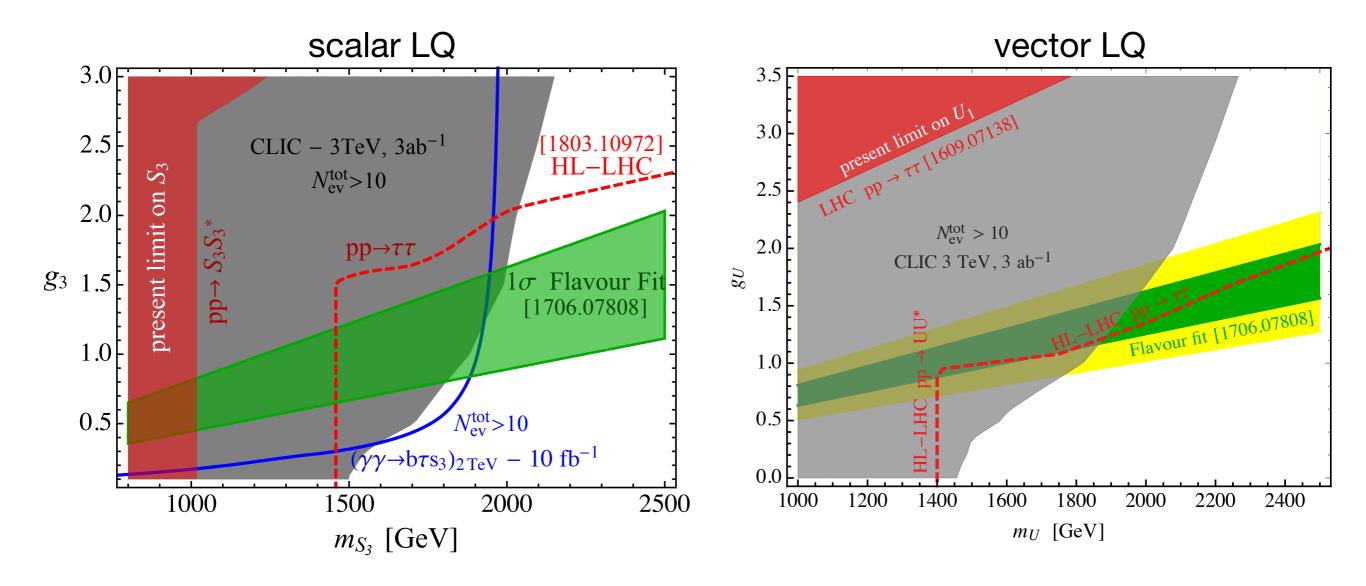
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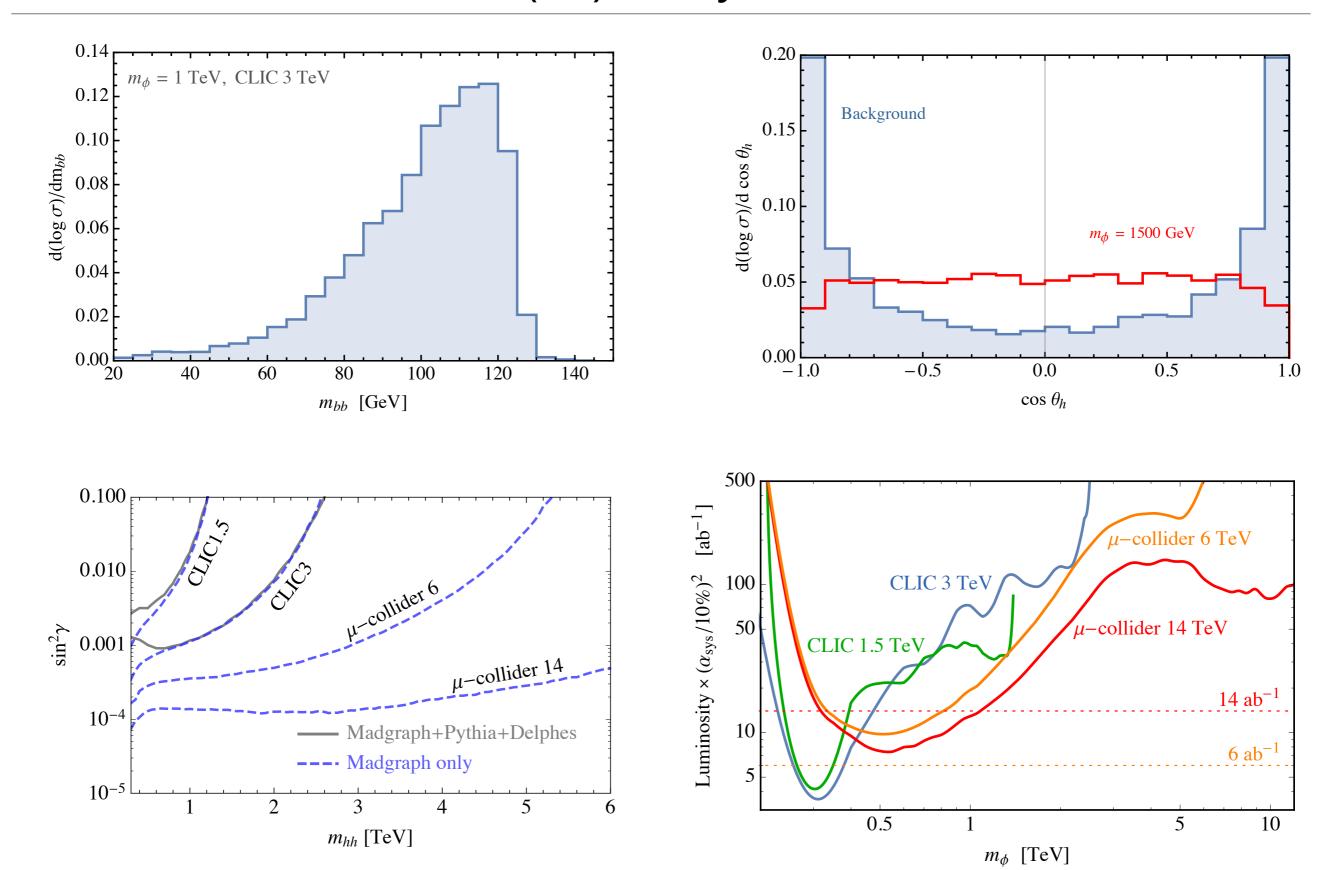


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Thank you!

Backup

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Efficiencies for signal and background:

Cut	$\epsilon_{ m sig}$	$\epsilon_{ m bkg}^{4b2 u}$
$E_{\rm miss} > 30 {\rm ~GeV}$	90%	95%
4 b-tags	50%	35%
$m_{bb} \in [88, 129] \text{ GeV}$	64%	23%
$ \cos\theta < 0.94$	96%	63%
$m_{4b} \in [770, 1070] \text{ GeV}$	98%	2.8%
Total efficiency	27%	1.3×10^{-3}

(a) CLIC 1.5 TeV,
$$m_{\phi} = 1$$
 TeV

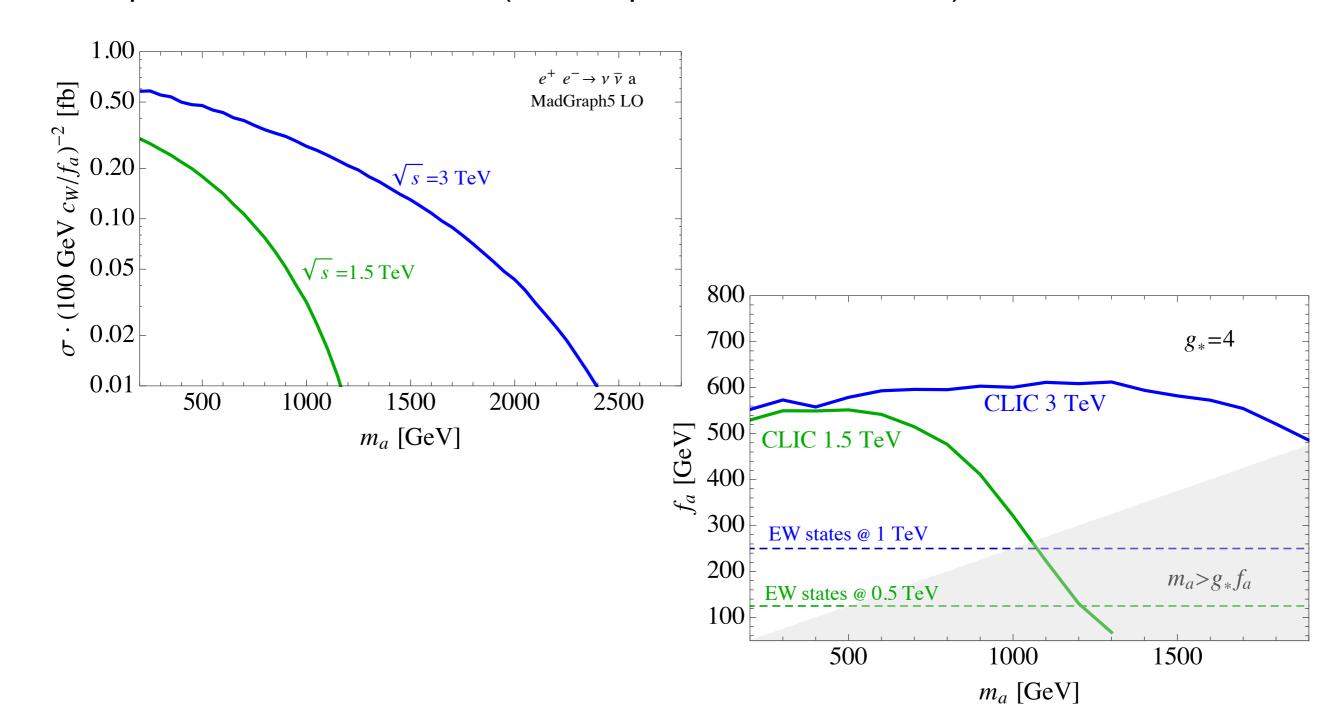
Cut	$\epsilon_{ m sig}$	$\epsilon_{ m bkg}^{4b2 u}$
$E_{\rm miss} > 30 {\rm ~GeV}$	94%	96%
4 b-tags	51%	33%
$m_{bb} \in [88, 137] \text{ GeV}$	60%	15%
$ \cos\theta < 0.95$	97%	58%
$m_{4b} \in [1.5, 2.04] \text{ TeV}$	91%	0.7%
Total efficiency	26%	2×10^{-4}

(b) CLIC 3 TeV,
$$m_{\phi} = 2$$
 TeV

EW ALPs

• EW ALPs: $\mathscr{L}_{ALP} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_{\mu} a)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 a^2 + \frac{c_1 \alpha_1}{4\pi} \frac{a}{f_a} B \tilde{B} + \frac{c_2 \alpha_2}{4\pi} \frac{a}{f_a} W \tilde{W}$

also produced in WW fusion (but couple to transverse W's)



WW fusion

Single and double production cross-sections:

$$\sigma_{e\bar{e}\to\nu\bar{\nu}S} = \sin^2\gamma \frac{g^4}{256\pi^3} \frac{1}{v^2} \left[2\left(\frac{m_{\phi}^2}{s} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{m_{\phi}^2}{s} + 1\right) \log\frac{s}{m_{\phi}^2} \right] \simeq \sin^2\gamma \frac{g^4}{256\pi^3} \frac{\log\frac{s}{m_{\phi}^2} - 2}{v^2},$$

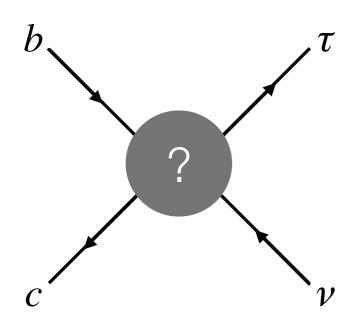
$$\sigma_{e\bar{e}\to\nu\bar{\nu}SS} = \frac{g^4 |\lambda_{HS}|^2}{49152\pi^5} \frac{1}{m_{\phi}^2} \left[\log\frac{s}{m_{\phi}^2} - \frac{14}{3} + \frac{m_{\phi}^2}{s} (3\log^2\frac{s}{m_{\phi}^2} + 18 - \pi^2) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_{\phi}^4}{s^2}\right) \right],$$

from W-pdf's
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\hat{s}} = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{V_i V_j \to X}(\hat{s})}{s} \mathscr{C}_{V_i V_j}(\hat{s}), \quad \text{with} \quad \mathscr{C}_{V_i V_j}(\hat{s}) = \int_{\hat{s}/s}^1 \frac{dx}{x} f_{V_i}(x) f_{V_j}(\frac{\hat{s}x}{s})$$

Approximate limit on mixing angle:

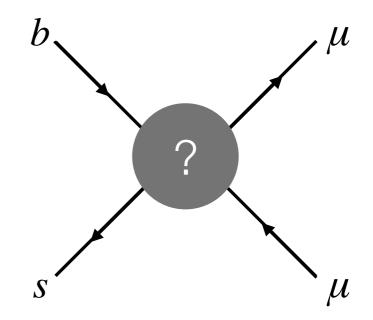
$$\sin^2 \gamma \times \text{BR}(\phi \to f) \approx 0.02 \left(\frac{1/\text{fb}}{L}\right) \times \left[\log \frac{s}{m_{\phi}^2} - 2 + \frac{m_{\phi}^2}{s} \left(\log \frac{s}{m_{\phi}^2} + 2\right)\right]^{-1}$$

Simultaneous explanations of flavour anomalies



$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_D^2} (\bar{b}_L \gamma_\mu c_L) (\bar{\tau}_L \gamma^\mu \nu_\tau)$$

$$\Lambda_D = 3.4 \,\text{TeV}$$



$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_K^2} (\bar{b}_L \gamma_\mu s_L) (\bar{\mu}_L \gamma^\mu \mu_L)$$

$$\Lambda_K = 31 \,\text{TeV}$$

• <u>I. "vertical" structure:</u> the two operators can be related by SU(2)_L

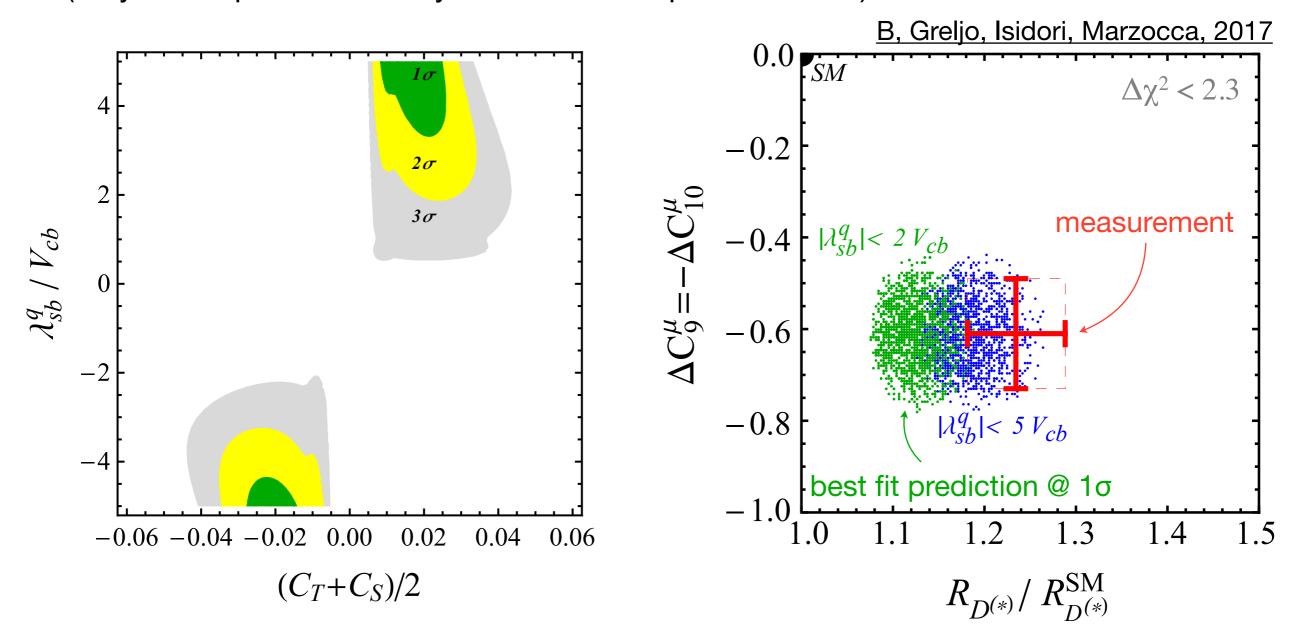
$$(\bar{q}_L \gamma_\mu \sigma^a q_L)(\bar{\ell}_L \gamma^\mu \sigma^a \ell_L)$$

II. "horizontal" structure: NP structure reminds of the Yukawa hierarchy

$$\Lambda_D \ll \Lambda_K, \qquad \lambda_{\tau\tau} \gg \lambda_{\mu\mu}$$

Fit to flavour anomalies

- EFT fit to all semi-leptonic observables + radiative corrections to EWPT
- Don't include any UV contribution to other operators (they will depend on the dynamics of the specific model)

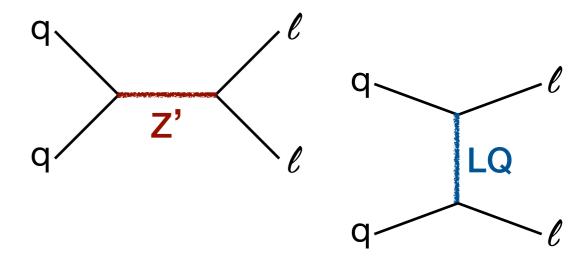


Good fit to all anomalies, with couplings compatible with the U(2) assumption

Simplified models

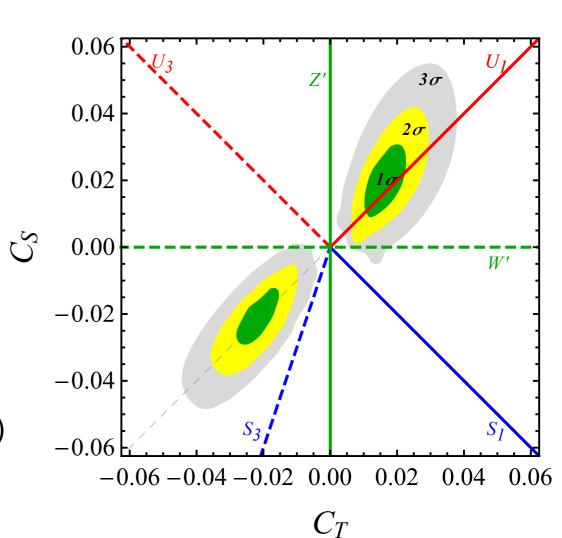
Mediators that can give rise to the $b \rightarrow c\ell v$ and $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ amplitudes:

	Spin 0	Spin 1
Colour singlet	-2HDM no LL operator	Vector resonance
Colour triplet	Scalar lepto-quark	Vector lepto-quark

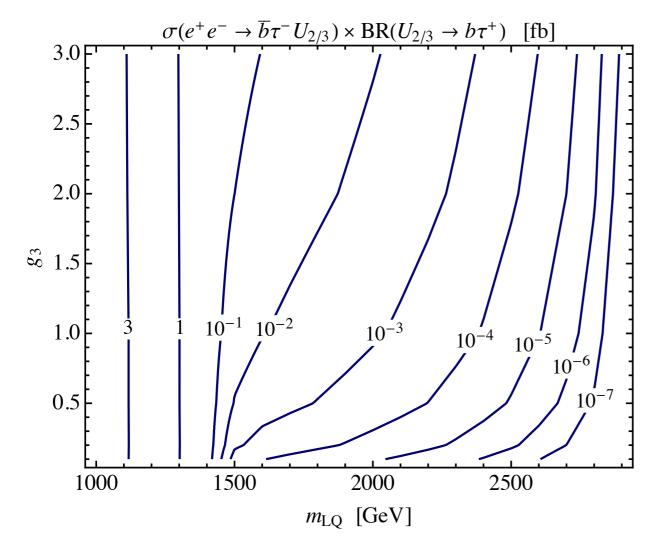


Contributions to C_T and C_S from different mediators:

- A **vector leptoquark** is the only single mediator that can fit all the anomalies alone: $C_T \sim C_S$
- Combinations of two or more mediators also possible (often the case in concrete models)
 large b → svv expected in this case!

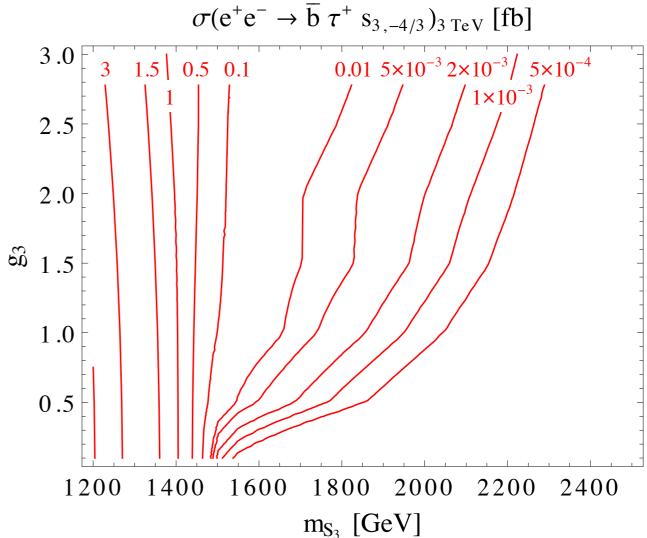


LQ production cross-section at CLIC



vector leptoquark

scalar leptoquark



Photon-fusion at CLIC

Cross-section for scalar LQ

