

# Sensitivity to new physics scenarios in invisible Higgs boson decays at CLIC

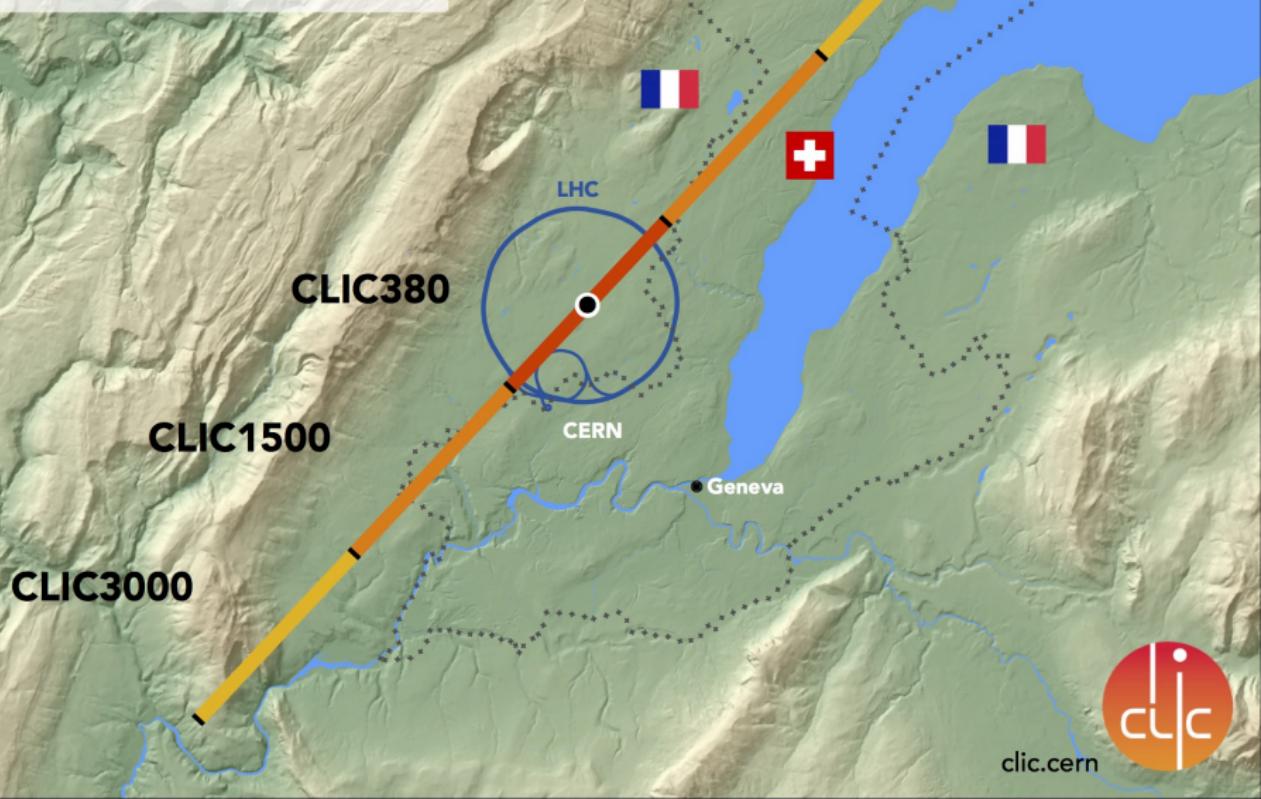
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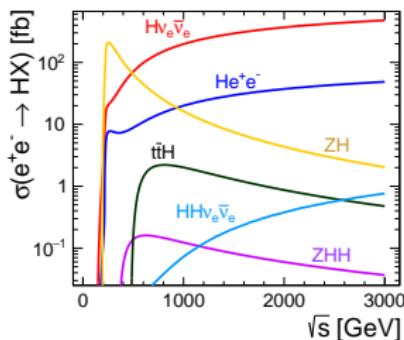
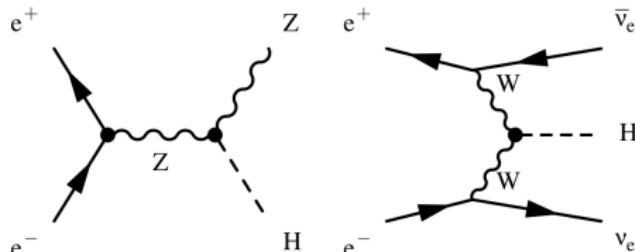
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- 380 GeV - 11.4 km (CLIC380)
- 1.5 TeV - 29.0 km (CLIC1500)
- 3.0 TeV - 50.1 km (CLIC3000)



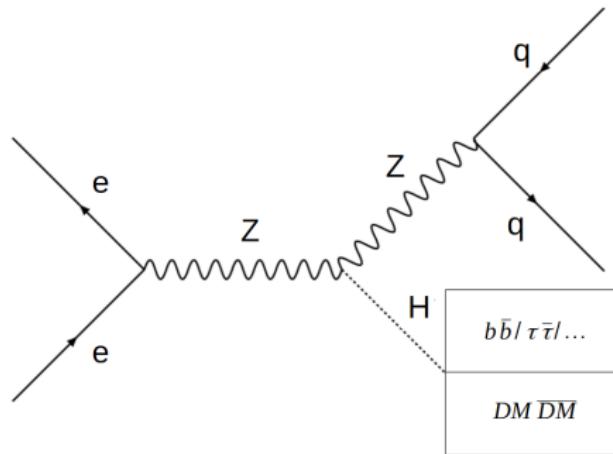
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380 GeV → focus on studying Higgs boson properties



CLIC can estimate Higgs couplings to most of SM particles with an accuracy of around 1% or better.

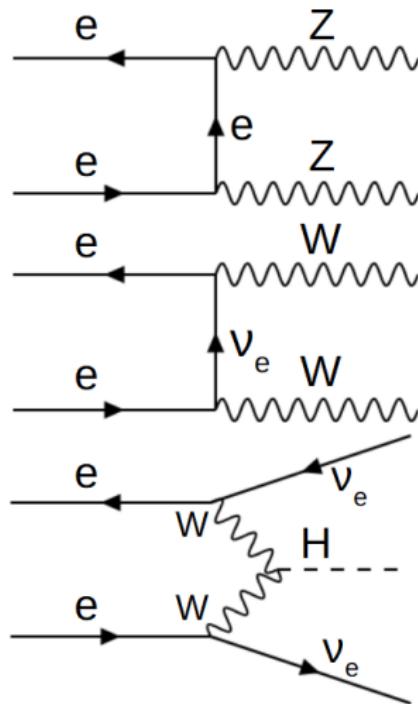
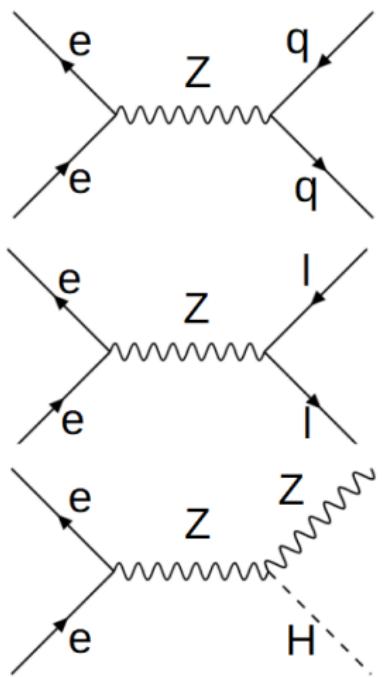
# Signal



Signature of invisible Higgs decay:

- two jets consistent with hadronic  $Z$  decay
- missing energy-momentum consistent with production of invisible massive state (125 GeV)

## Background processes considered

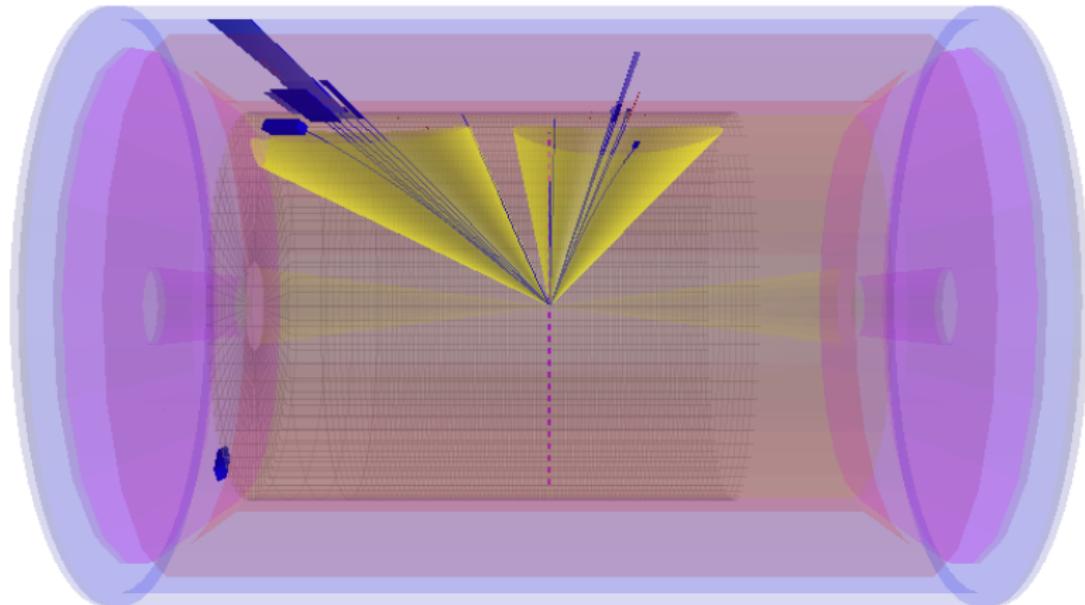


# Technical information

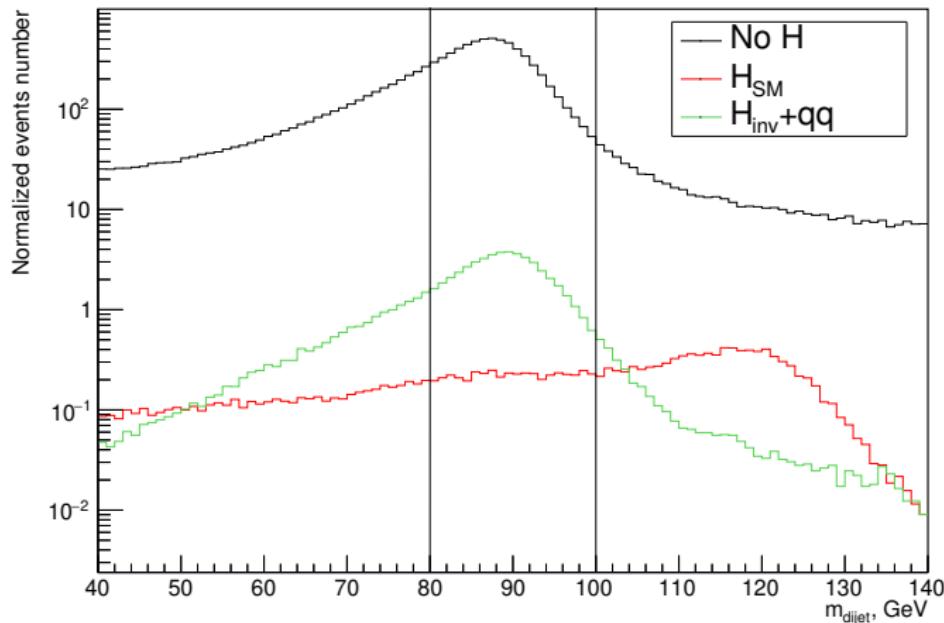
- event samples generated with WHIZARD 2.7.0 (using the VFDM model [arXiv:1710.01853](#))
- CLIC energy spectra for **380** GeV
- CLIC integrated luminosity of **1000**  $\text{fb}^{-1}$
- detector simulation and event reconstruction with DELPHES, using (modified) *CLICdet\_Stage1* cards

# Signature of $e^+e^- \rightarrow HZ \rightarrow jj + inv$

Two-jet events without electrons, muons, or isolated photons...



# Preselection cuts: di-jet mass



## Preselection – efficiency

Event class	Efficiency
Background	0.37%
SM Higgs decays	1.70%
Invisible Higgs decays	47.00%

## Selection – variables

Final event selection based on the multivariate analysis.  
Variables used as input for Boosted Decision Tree (BDT):

- ①  $\alpha_{jj}$  – angle between two jets in LAB frame
- ②  $m_{jj}$  – dijet invariant mass
- ③  $m^{miss}$  – missing mass
- ④  $E_{jj}$  – dijet energy
- ⑤  $p_t^{miss}$  – missing transverse momentum

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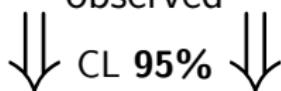
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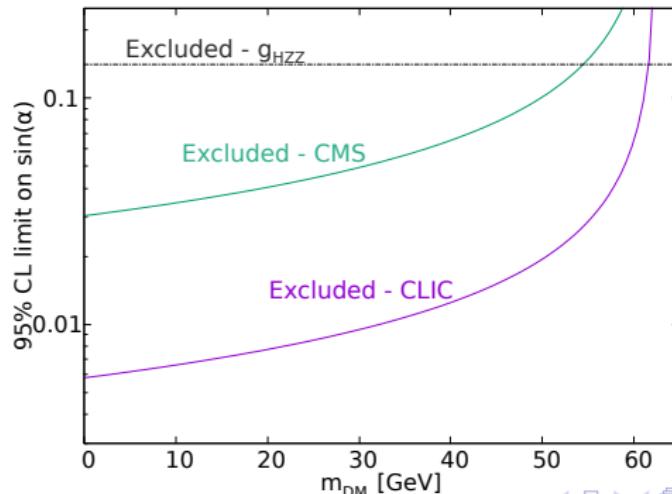
CLICdp preliminary: invisible Higgs boson decays are rarer  
than **0.86%** of all Higgs boson decays

Previously: 0.94%

(350 GeV,  $500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , [The European Physical Journal C, 76\(2\):72](#))

# The VFDM model

Within the *Vector-fermion dark matter* model, invisible Higgs boson decays into DM candidates are due to the exchange of the 125 GeV Higgs and the second scalar state; their couplings are parameterized by the mixing angle  $\alpha$ .



## New scalars

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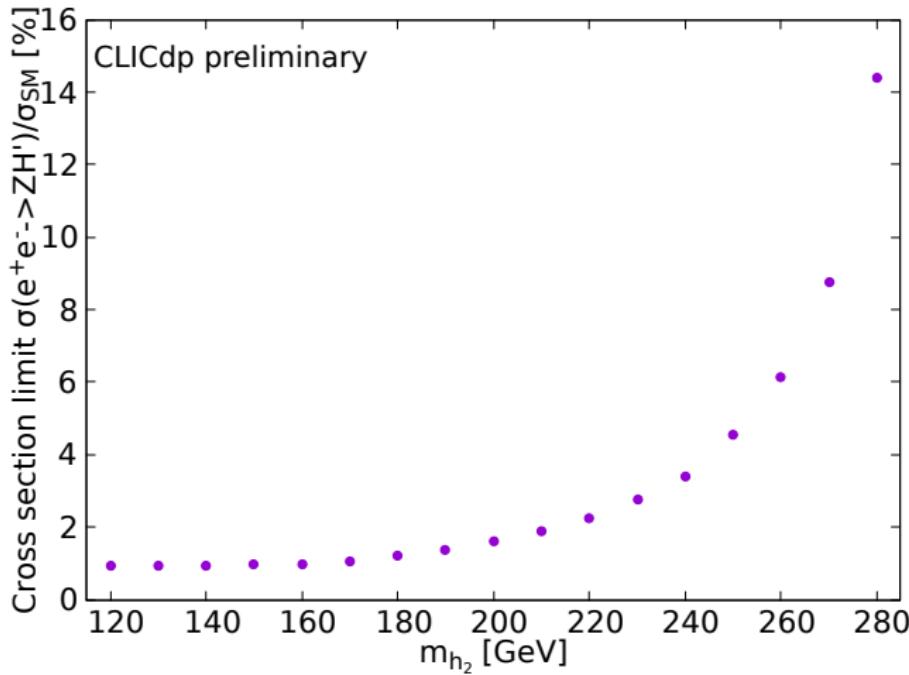
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Assuming:

- domination of invisible decays  
 $(BR(h_2 \rightarrow inv) \approx 100\%)$
- production due to mixing with SM Higgs particle

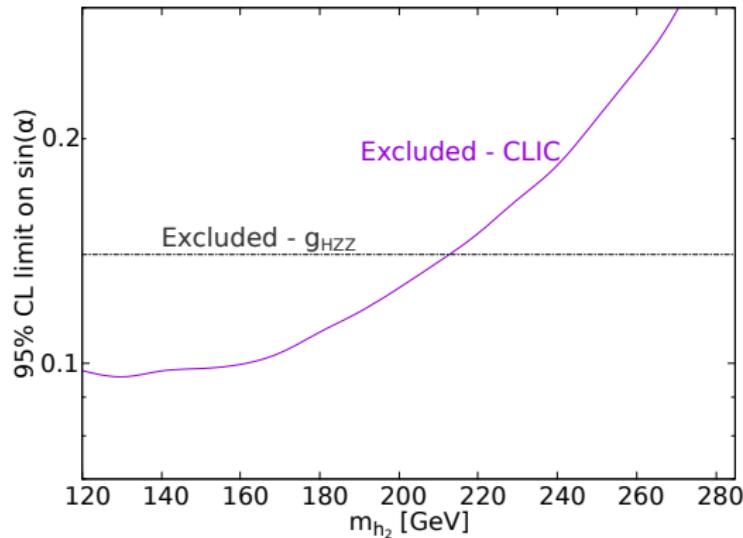
we can extend our method to search for production of  $h_2$ .

# Limits on cross sections for new scalars



# The VFDM model

Expected limits on the production cross section can be translated within the VFDM model into limits on the mixing angle  $\alpha$ .



# Conclusions

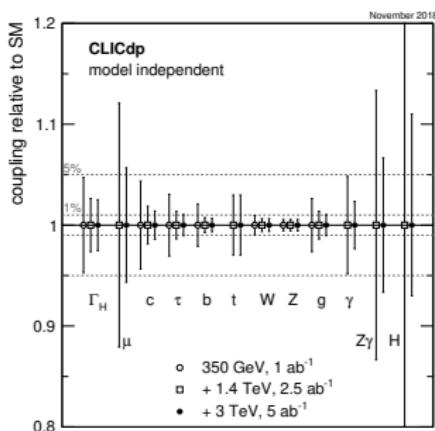
- ➊ Search for invisible Higgs boson decays based on the WHIZARD event generation and fast simulation with DELPHES.
- ➋ CLIC running at 380 GeV can constrain the invisible decays of the SM Higgs boson to below 1%.
- ➌ Results consistent with the previous study based on full simulation.
- ➍ The study can be extended to search for extra scalars.
- ➎ Cross section limits can be translated to the limits on new physics model parameters.
- ➏ Sensitivity to invisible scalar decays at high energy CLIC (1.5 TeV) still to be studied.

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# BACKUP

Parameter	Relative precision		
	350 GeV 1 ab <sup>-1</sup>	+ 1.4 TeV + 2.5 ab <sup>-1</sup>	+ 3 TeV + 5 ab <sup>-1</sup>
$g_{HZZ}$	0.6 %	0.6 %	0.6 %
$g_{HWW}$	1.0 %	0.6 %	0.6 %
$g_{Hbb}$	2.1 %	0.7 %	0.7 %
$g_{Hcc}$	4.4 %	1.9 %	1.4 %
$g_{H\tau\tau}$	3.1 %	1.4 %	1.0 %
$g_{H\mu\mu}$	—	12.1 %	5.7 %
$g_{Htt}$	—	3.0 %	3.0 %
$g_{Hgg}^\dagger$	2.6 %	1.4 %	1.0 %
$g_{H\gamma\gamma}^\dagger$	—	4.8 %	2.3 %
$g_{HZ\gamma}^\dagger$	—	13.3 %	6.7 %
$\Gamma_H$	4.7 %	2.6 %	2.5 %



<b>Final state</b>	<b>Efficiency</b>	<b>N<sub>pre</sub></b>
Background		
$qq\nu\nu$	23,00%	72135
$qql\nu$	0,68%	37588
$qq$	0,087%	19234
$qqll$	0,043%	593
$qqqq$	0,0010%	51
In total:	0,37%	129601
SM Higgs decays		
$H_{SM} + \nu\nu$	4,60%	2515
$H_{SM} + ll$	0,017%	3
$H_{SM} + qq$	0,0057%	47
In total:	1,70%	2565
Invisible Higgs boson decays		
$H_{inv} + qq$	47,00%	38557