

# Searching exotic decay channels of the SM Higgs boson at CEPC

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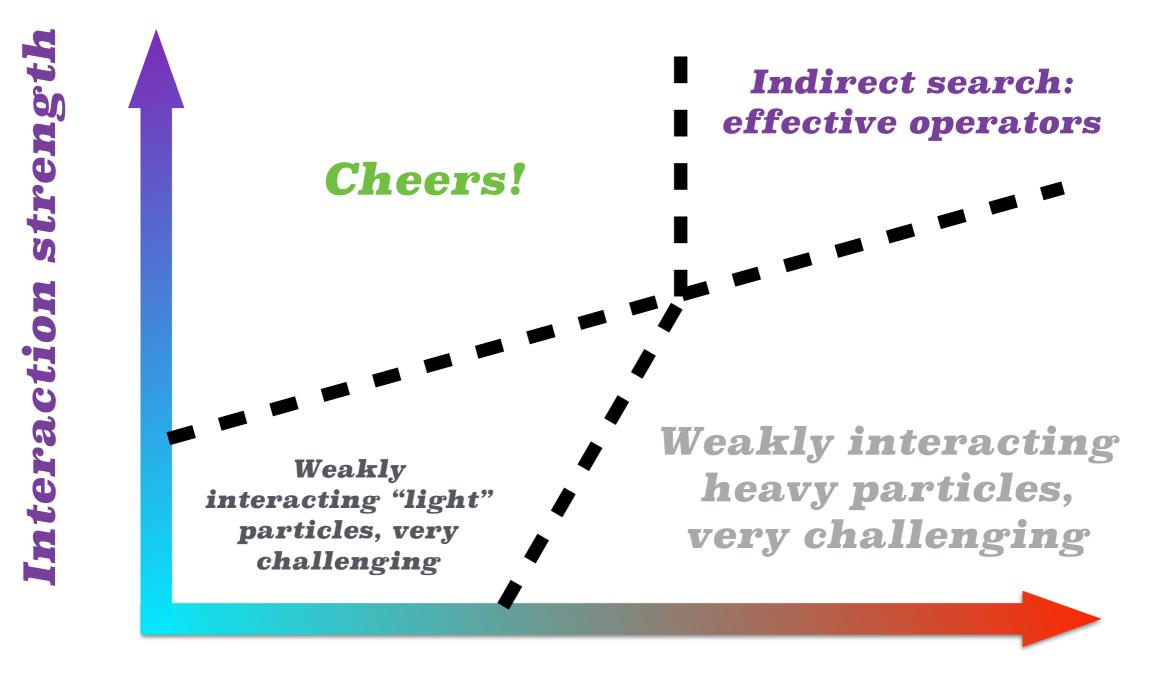
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#### New Physics beyond the SM

- The particle physics SM is one of the most successful model in the last century.
- It is an effective field theory up to electroweak symmetry breaking scale for particles interact with our sector strongly enough.
- In principle, NP must be introduced at some scale due to lots of theoretical and phenomenological reasons.
- Although there are some comments according to the "naturalness" defined by the preference of Homo Sapiens, in practice, nobody really knows when it will appear. TeV? 10 TeV? 100TeV? (tree level, 1-loop level, 2-loop level, ...) Seesaw? GUT or Planck scale?

#### New physics "particles": where are they?

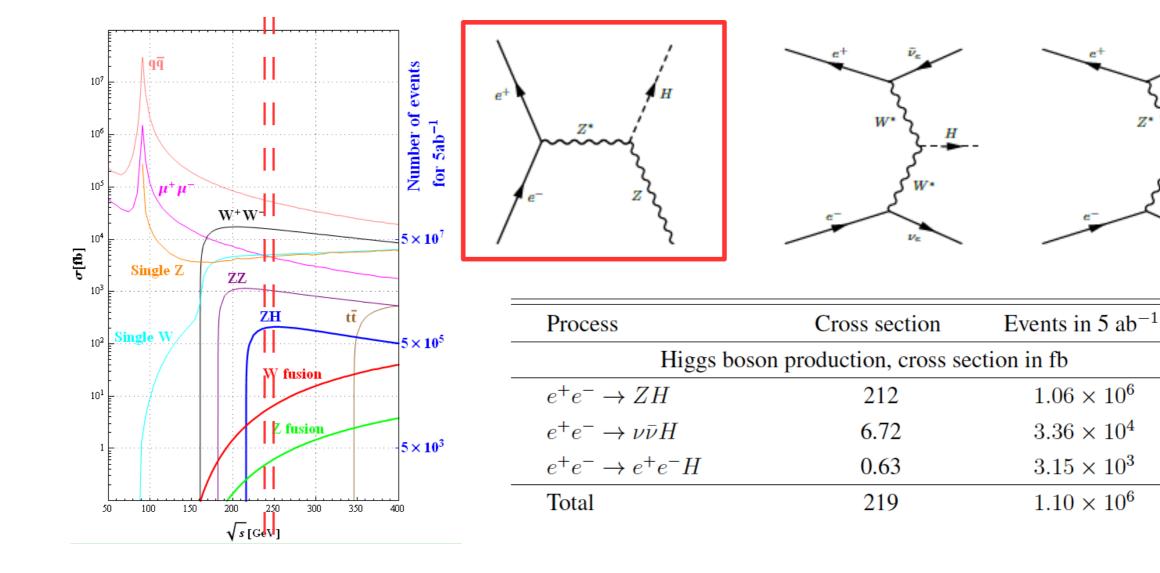




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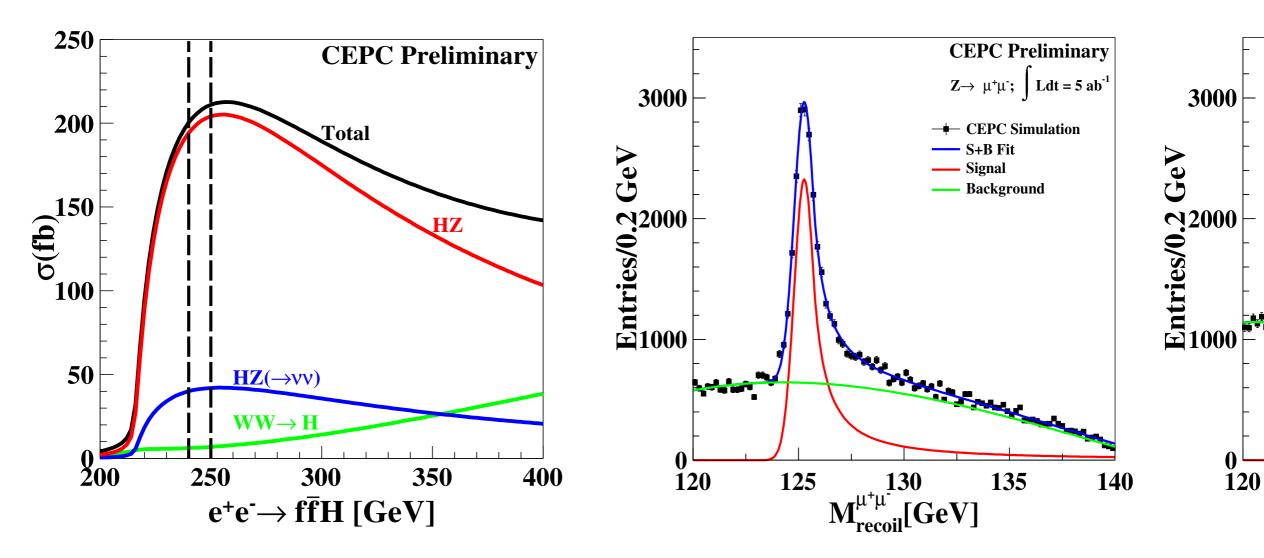
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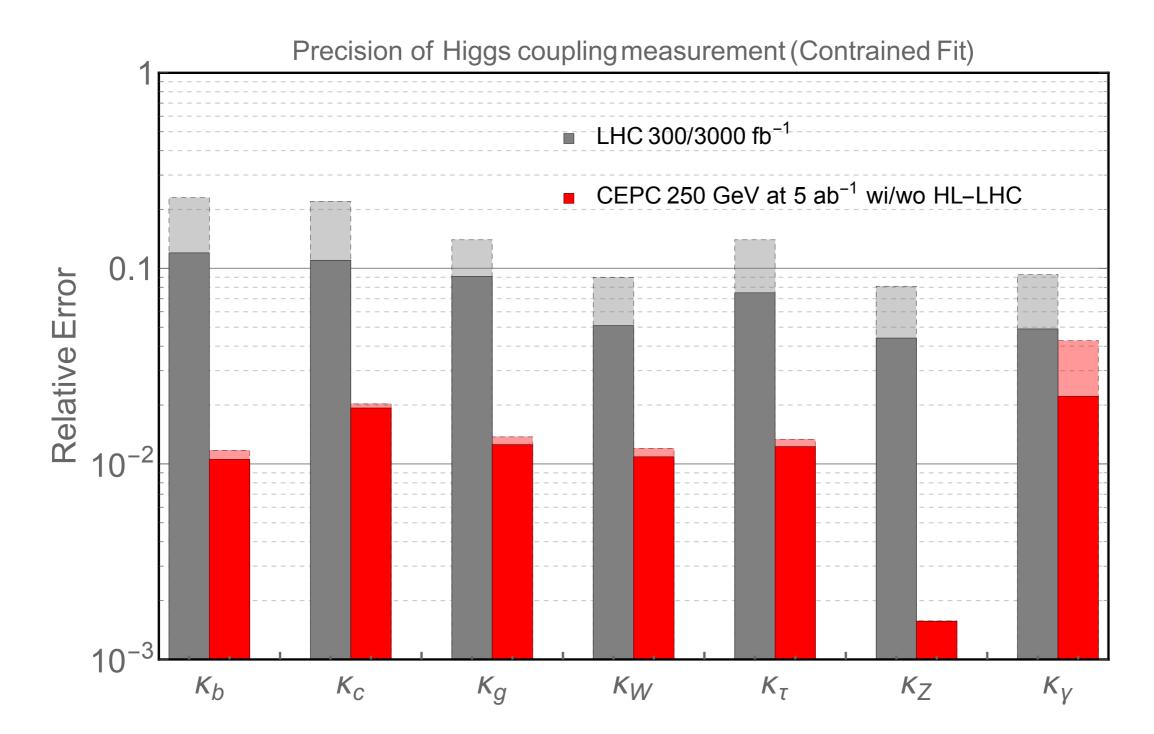
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- One of the most important scientific motivation of CEPC is understanding the properties of the SM Higgs and the nature of the SM EWSB.



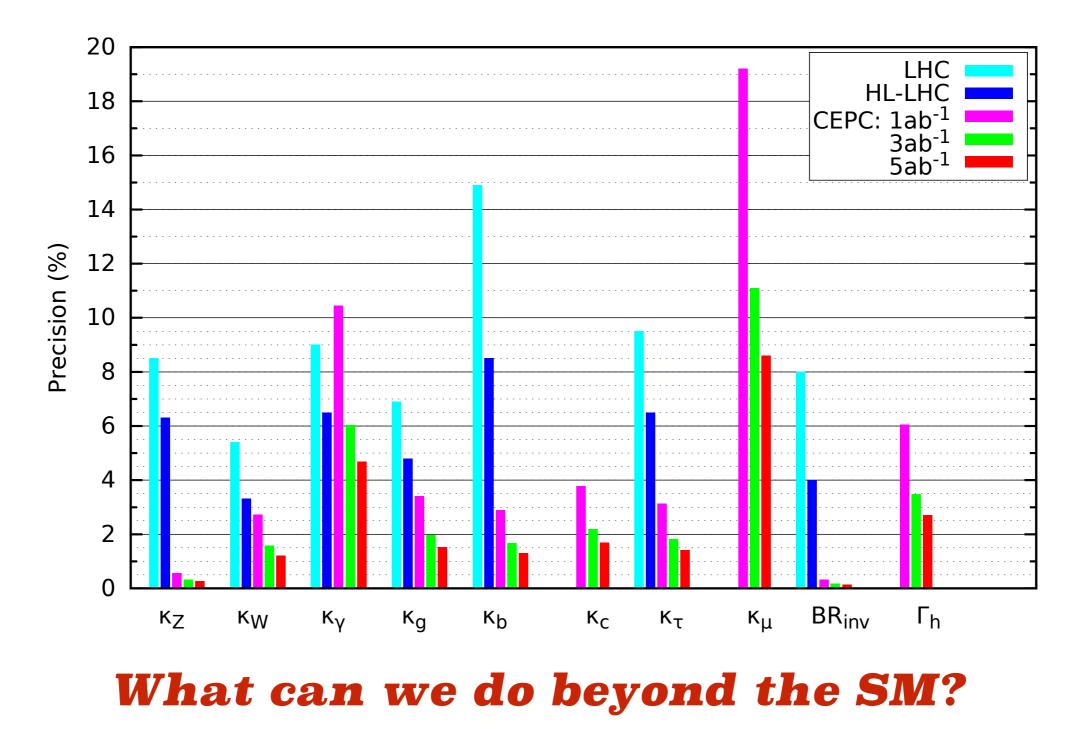
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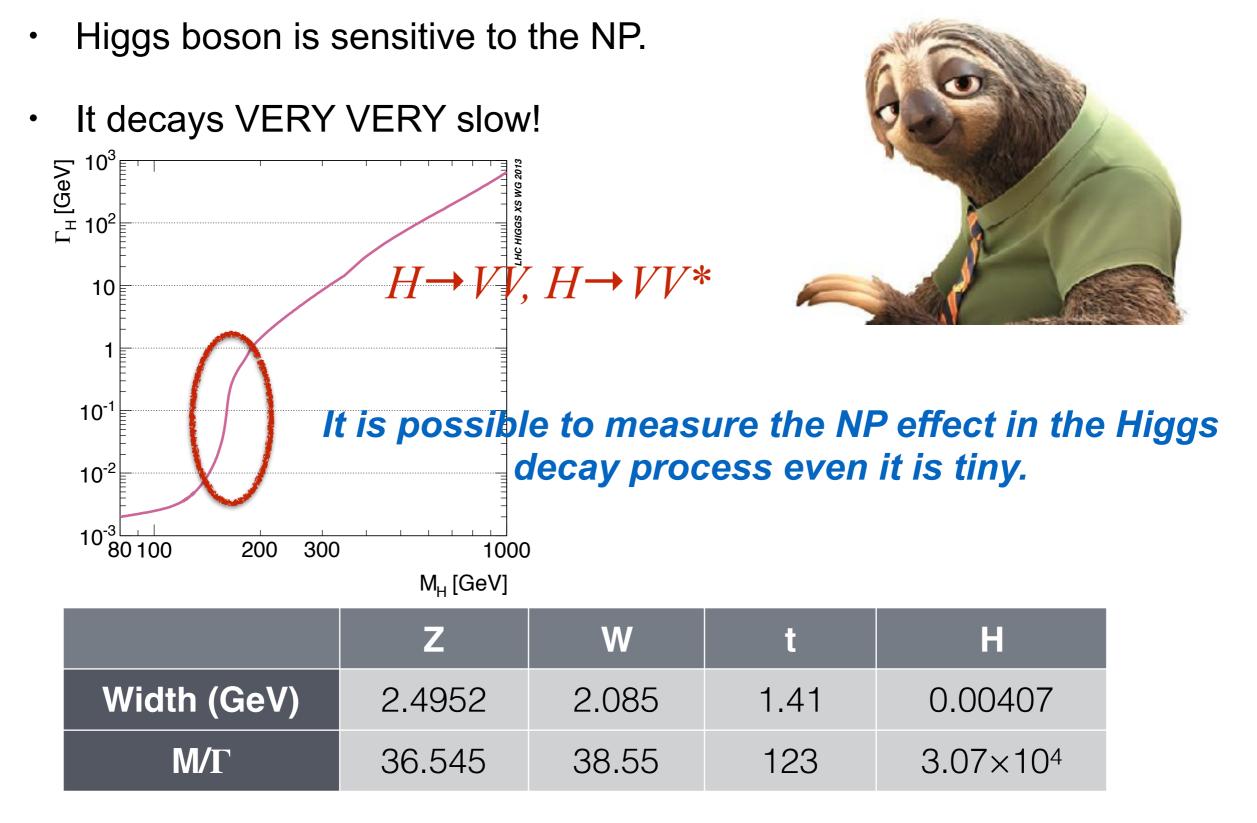
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$\sqrt{s}$	schemes	/	$\sigma_{\rm NLO}~({\rm fb})$	$\sigma_{\rm NNLO} \ ({\rm fb})$
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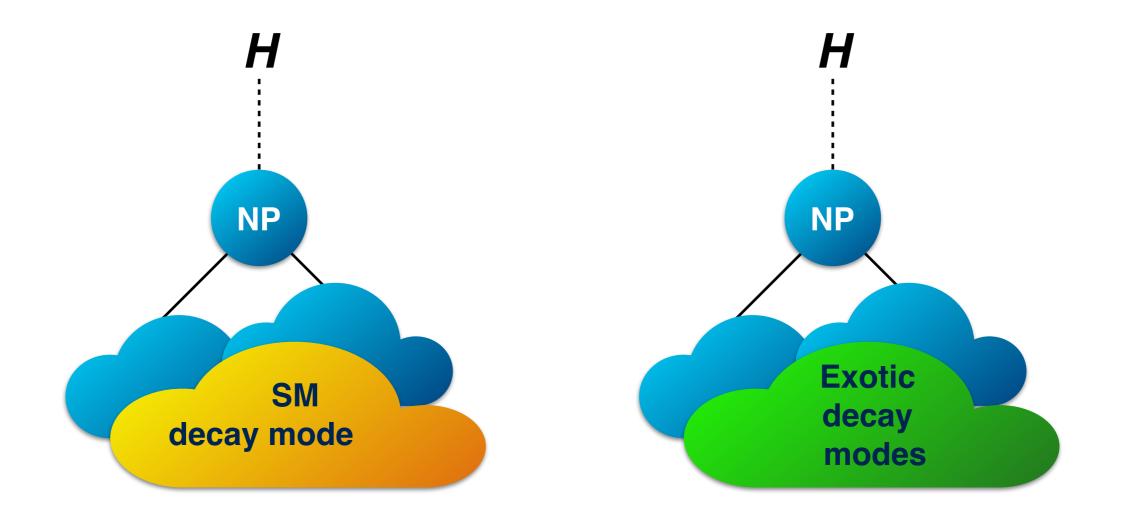
~ 1% theoretical error at NNLO (EW+QCD) level

TABLE II from Q.-F S, F Feng, Y Jia, W.-L Sang, Phys. Rev. D96 (2017) 051301, see also Y Gong, Z Li, X Xu, L.L Yang, X Zhao, Phys. Rev. D95(2017) 093003



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- NP at high energy scale can modified the branching ratios of the Higgs decay modes. If the effect is significant, ~percent level, we may discover it indirectly.
- On the other hand, there are chances that the Higgs boson decays into exotic light particles in the NP!

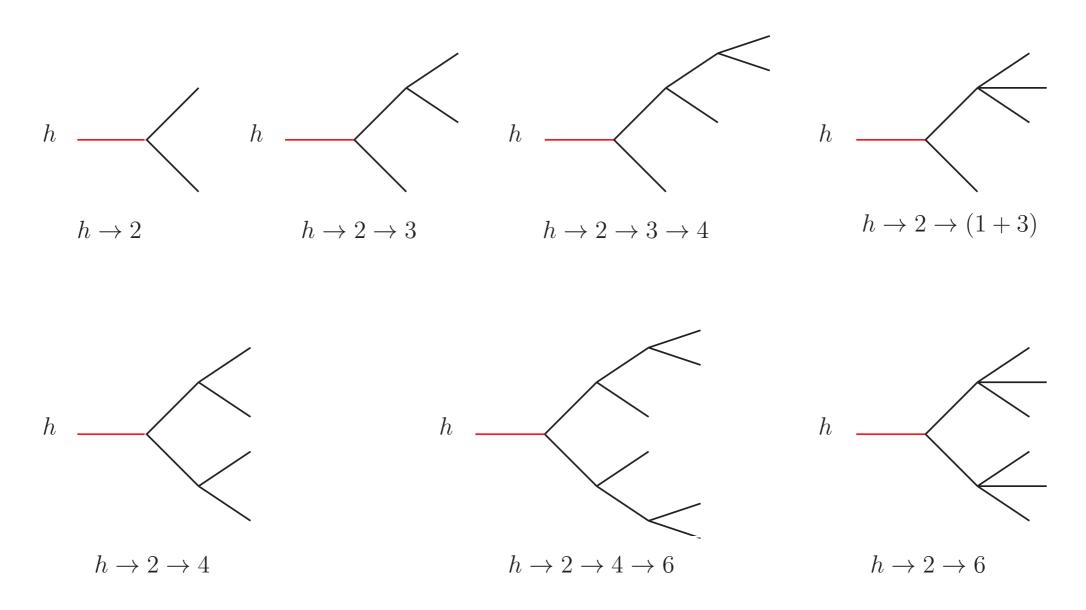


- Light exotic particles weakly couple to the SM sector:
  - SUSY model: MSSM, NMSSM, ... light neutralinos, gravitino;
  - Hidden valley with Higgs boson as the mediator: "Higgs portal";
  - Dark matter: dark force, ...

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- Bayrogenesis: exotic light scalar;
- Neutrino mass: *N*-loop radiative seasaw;

- Some technical assumptions:
  - The first decay is two-body decay;
  - In the final state, there are only SM particles or missing energy. (For exotic decay modes with displaced vertices, please see Nathaniel's talk.)

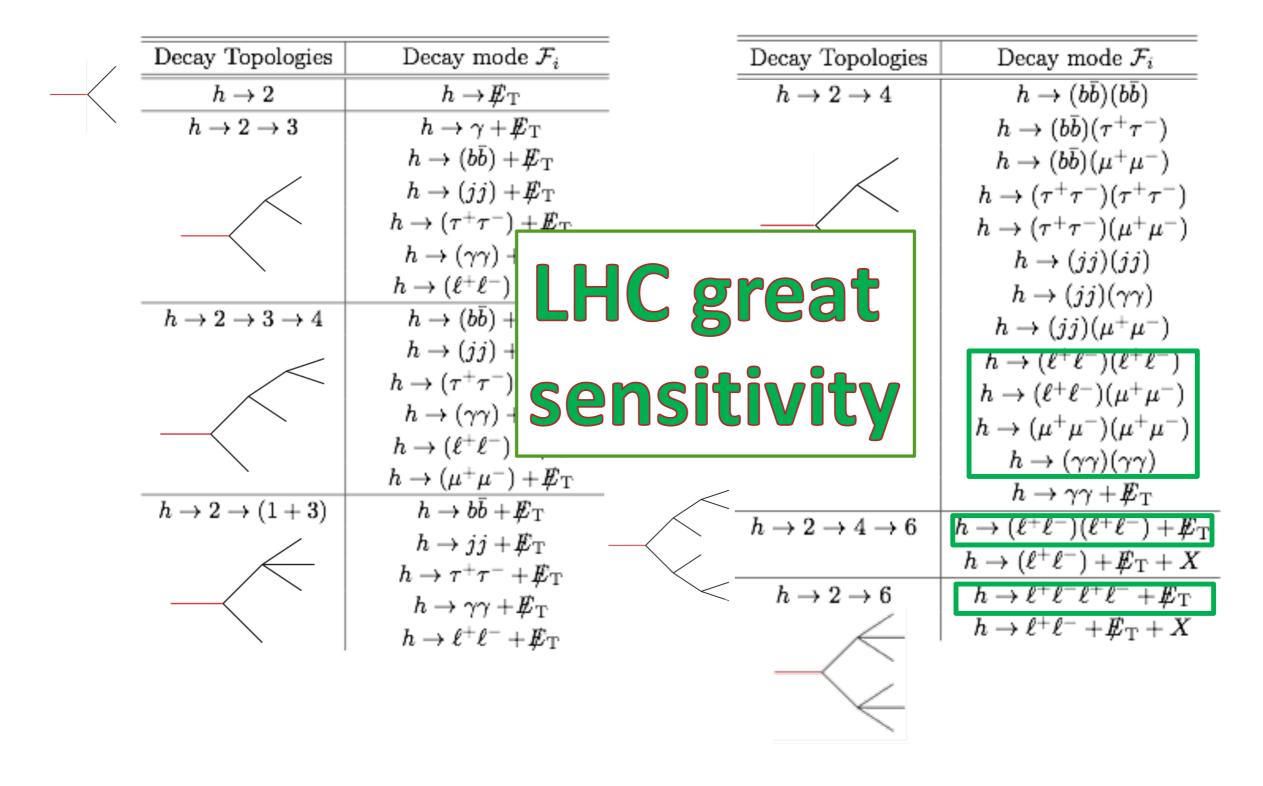


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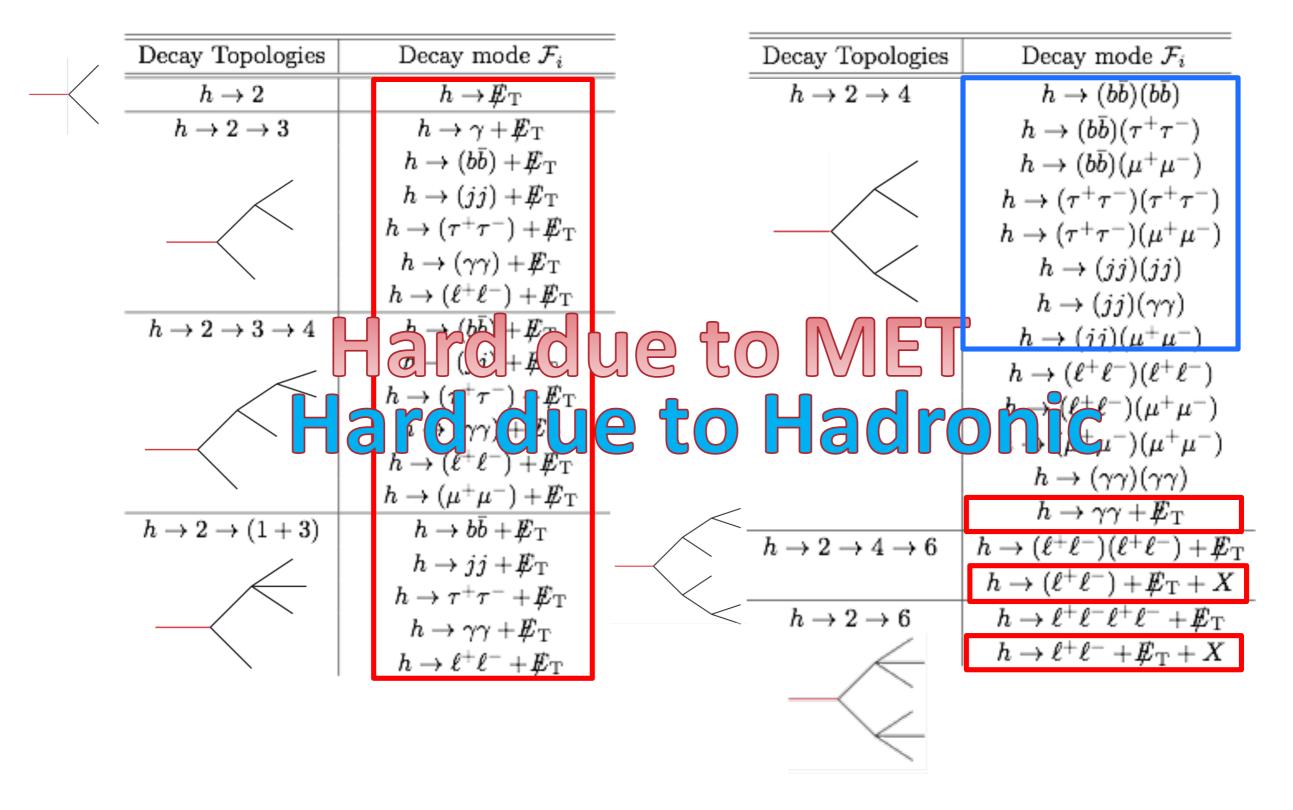
PHYSICAL REVIEW D 90, 075004 (2014) **Exotic decays of the 125 GeV Higgs boson** David Curtin,<sup>1,a</sup> Rouven Essig,<sup>1,b</sup> Stefania Gori,<sup>2,3,4,c</sup> Prerit Jaiswal,<sup>5,d</sup> Andrey Katz,<sup>6,e</sup> Tao Liu,<sup>7,f</sup> Zhen Liu,<sup>8,g</sup> David McKeen,<sup>9,10,h</sup> Jessie Shelton,<sup>6,i</sup> Matthew Strassler,<sup>6,j</sup> Ze'ev Surujon,<sup>1,k</sup> Brock Tweedie,<sup>8,11,1</sup> and Yi-Ming Zhong<sup>1,m</sup>

- Assume we have 1,000,000 ZH events, with zero background, we still need the branching ratio to be ~ 5×10<sup>-5</sup> to reach a 95% C.L.
- If the LHC can give a competitive result, we need to work hard to combine the data from other Z decay model and Higgs production channels.
- If the LHC gives a much better result than this. CEPC can hardly give better result.

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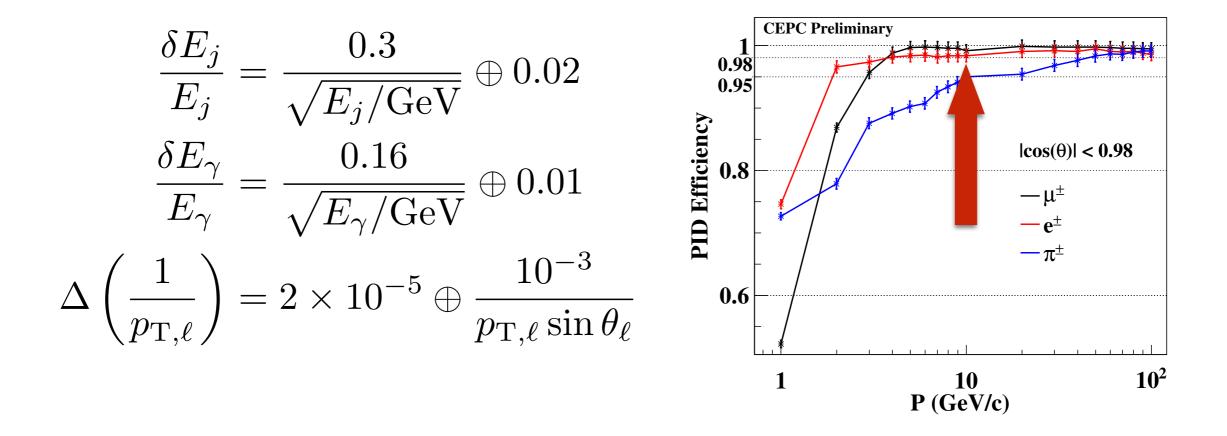
- Our simulation, what we do and what we do not do.
  - ✓ Parton level event generation, with Higgs and Z boson decay;
  - ✓ Gaussian smearing effect, b-tagging and veto;
  - ✓ Parton level background event generation;
  - ✓ Optimize cuts for each specific channel.
  - × Full ISR and initial state effects 🤐;
  - × Parton showering, hadronization, jet clustering (2);
  - × Jet substructure analysis ;
  - × BDT or MVA technology ;
  - × Hadronic Z decay mode 🙂.

- An example:
  - $h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 4$
  - Insert light (pseudo)scalar (*a*, *s*) or vector boson (*Z*').
  - $h \rightarrow ss(aa) \rightarrow (jj)(jj), h \rightarrow Z'Z' \rightarrow (jj)(jj).$
  - Effective Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{2}\varepsilon_s vhss + \sqrt{2}\varepsilon_a vhaa + \varepsilon_1 g'_1 vhZ'_{1\mu} Z'^{\mu}_1 + \varepsilon_2 g'_2 vhZ'_{2\mu} Z'^{\mu}_2$$
$$+ y_s s\bar{f}f + iy_a a\bar{f}\gamma_5 f + \frac{\alpha_s c_s}{\Lambda_s} sG_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} + \frac{\alpha_s c_a}{\Lambda_a} aG_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$$
$$+ g'_1 Z'_{1\mu} \bar{f}\gamma^{\mu} f + g'_2 Z'_{2\mu} \bar{f}\gamma^{\mu} P_R f$$

Spin correlations are kept in our simulation.

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  - Parton level simulation.
  - Detector effects (energy resolution, PID efficiency):



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  - Main SM backgrounds:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z_{jjjj} + X$ .
  - Systematic error of the simulation due to the ISR effect. (We thank M.-Q Ruan for helpful discussion.)
  - A parton level simulation which could give a reasonable estimation of the significance with clearly error estimation is acceptable in current study.

- An example:
  - Preselection cuts:  $|\cos \theta_{j,\ell}| < 0.98, E_{j,\ell} > 10 \text{GeV},$

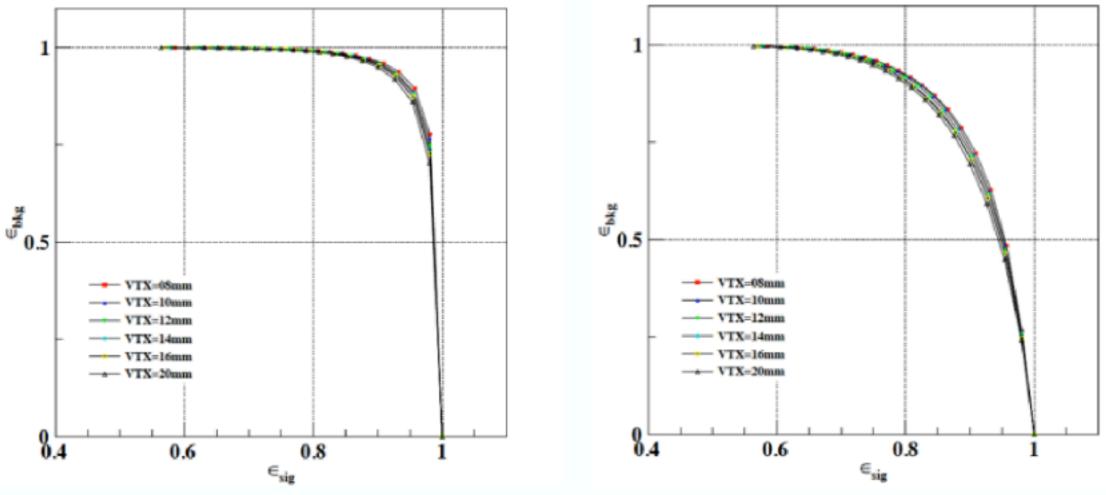
$$y_{ij} \equiv \frac{2\min\left(E_i^2, E_j^2\right)\left(1 - \cos\theta_{ij}\right)}{E_{vis}^2} > y_{\text{cut}},$$
  
a pair of OSSF leptons,  $\theta_{\ell\ell} > 80^\circ$   
 $|m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z| < 10 \text{GeV}, |m_{\text{recoil}} - m_h| < 5 \text{GeV}.$ 

- MadGraph5\_aMC@NLO.
- The ISR effect of the background is roughly mimicked by generating events with 1 additional photon (with pT>1GeV to avoid the IR divergence). (No ISR for signal events!)
- Additional cut to suppress the ISR effect:  $E_{vis} > 225 \text{GeV}$ .

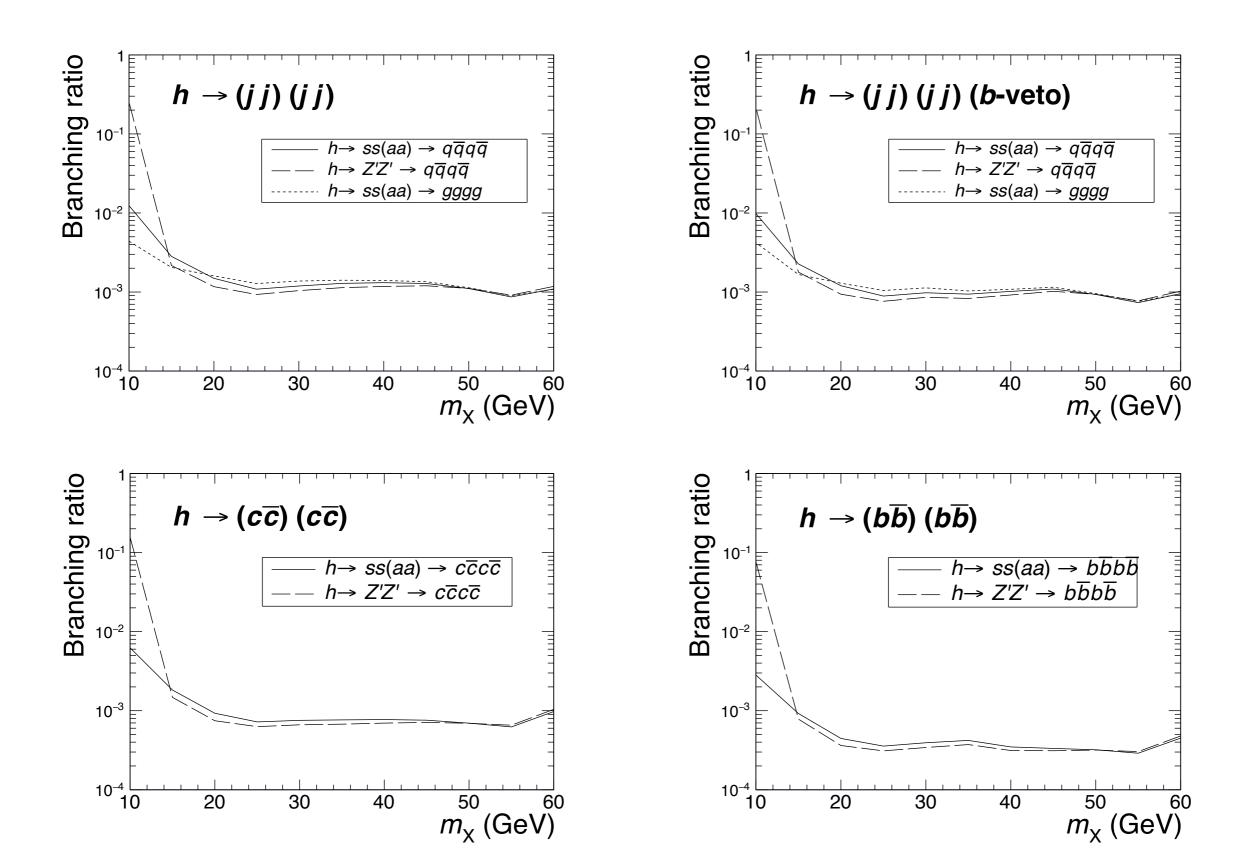
Phenomenology:

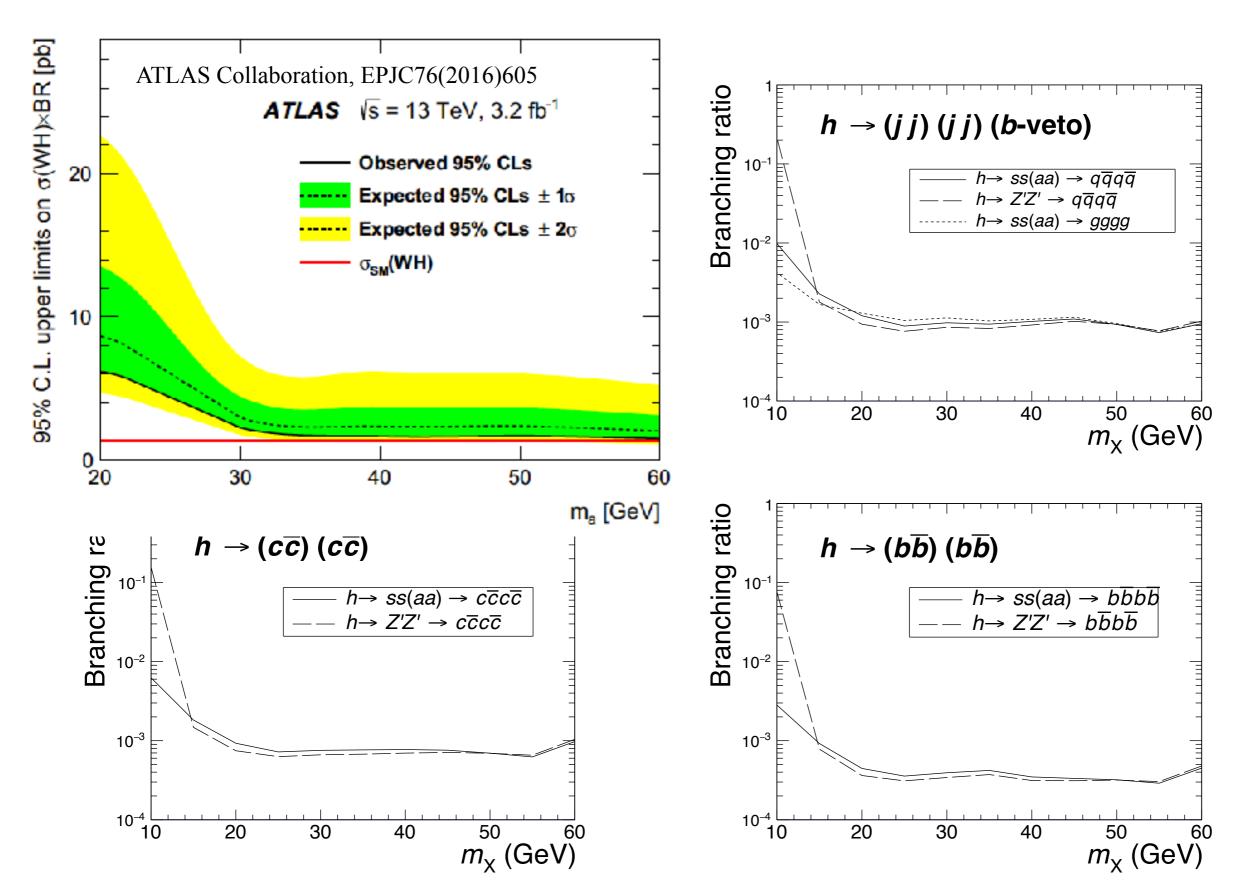
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- Parton level simulation.
- Detector effects (energy resolution, PID efficiency).
- b-tagging efficiency:



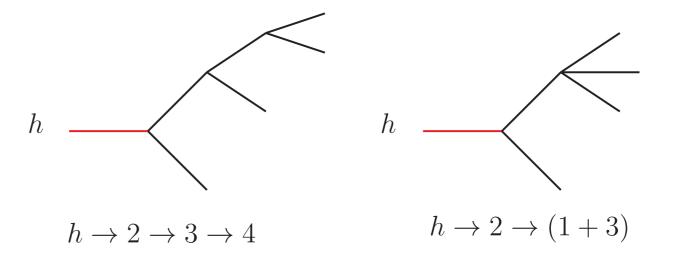
From Manqi's slide: Higgs analysis and Detector Optimization at CEPC, 2016/02/09



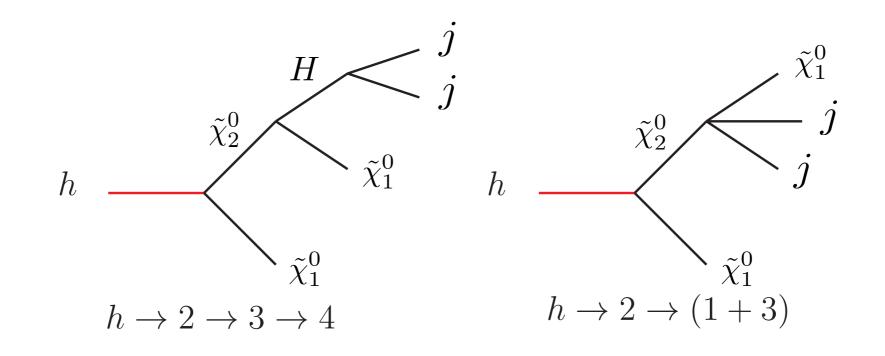


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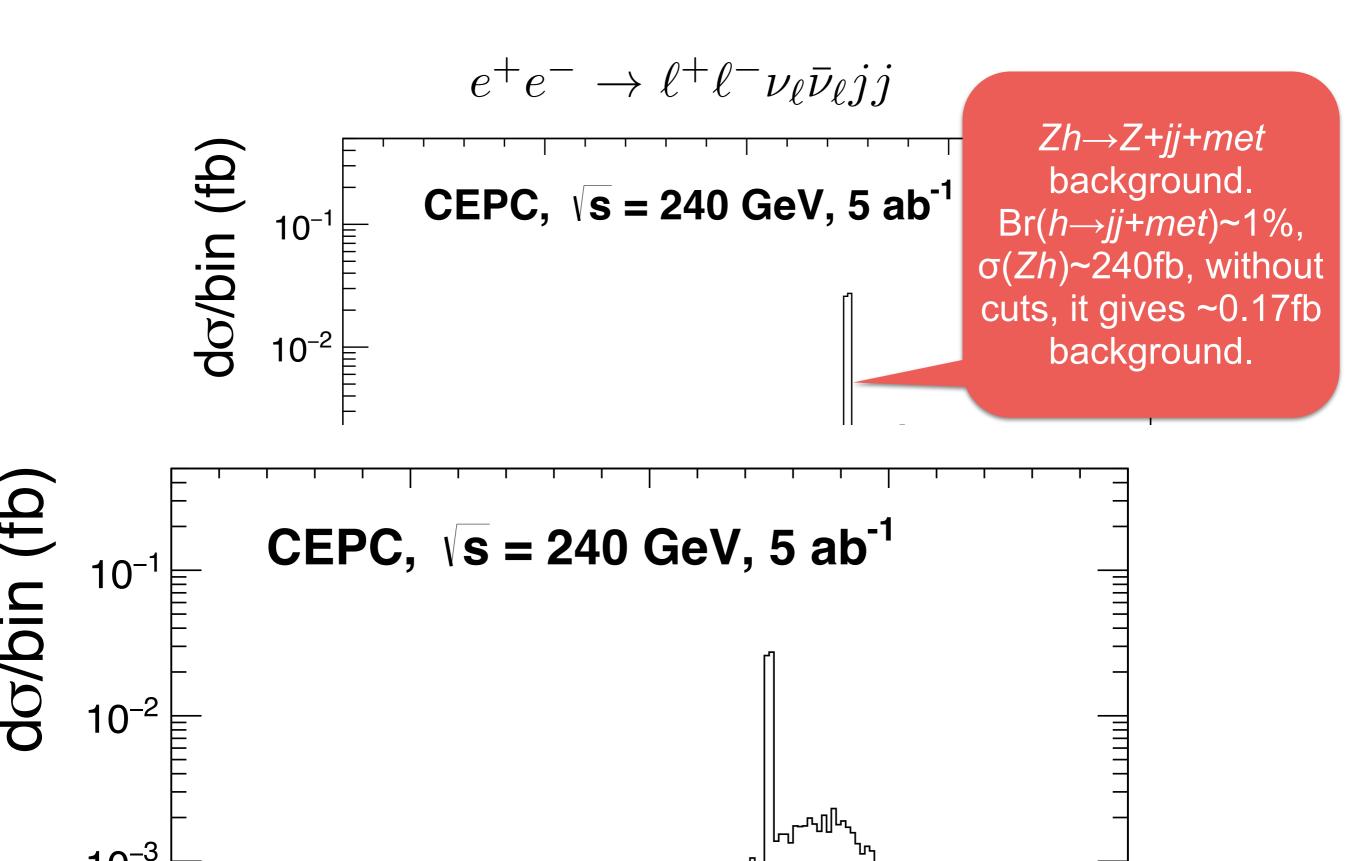
Another topology



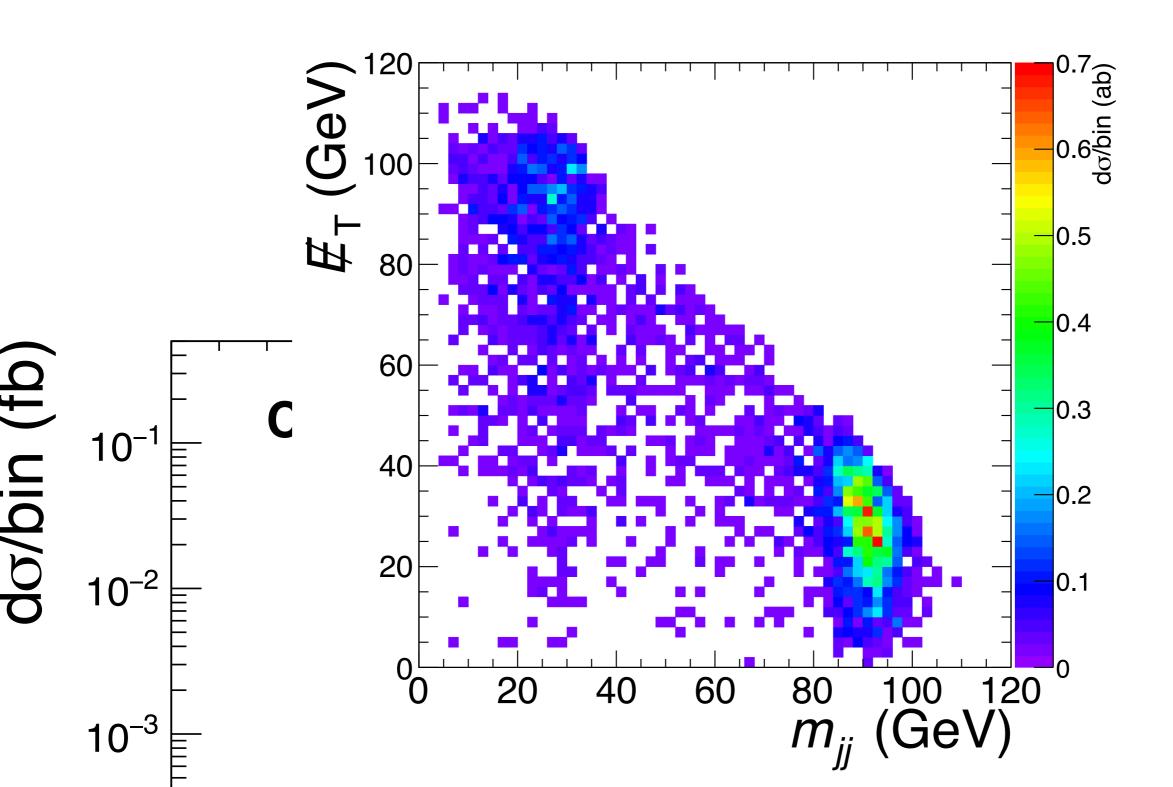
• Benchmark model: supersymmetry.

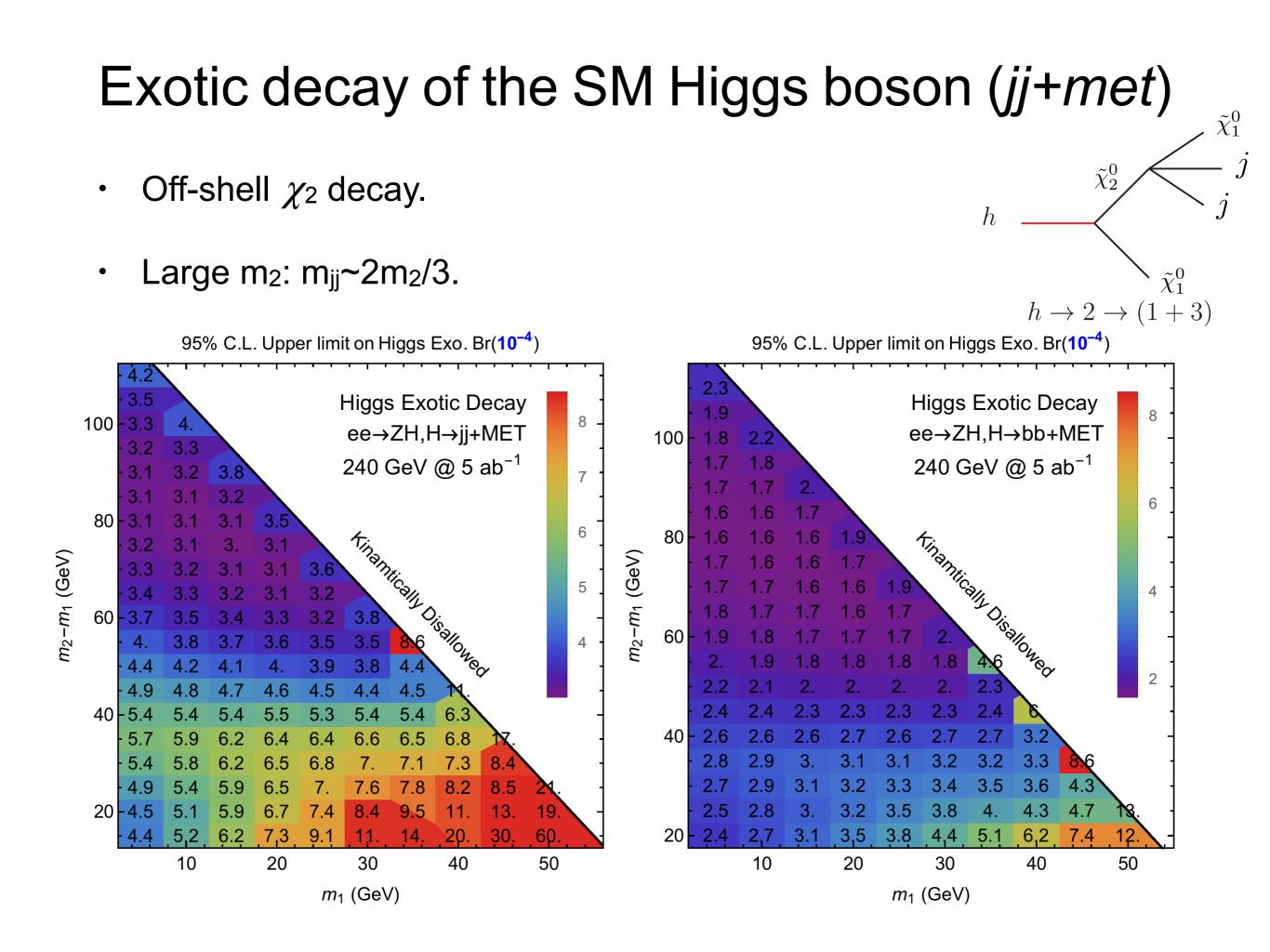


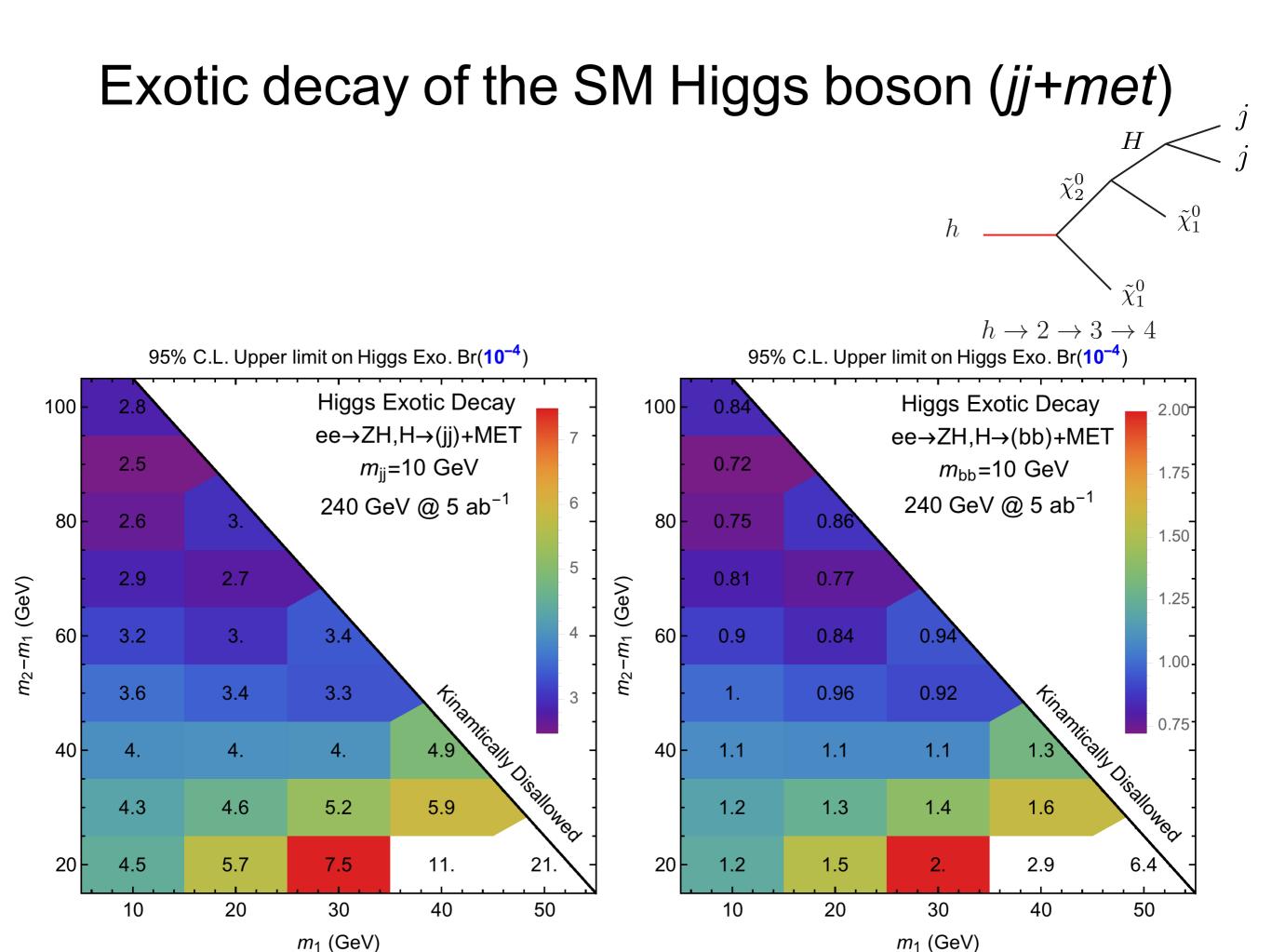
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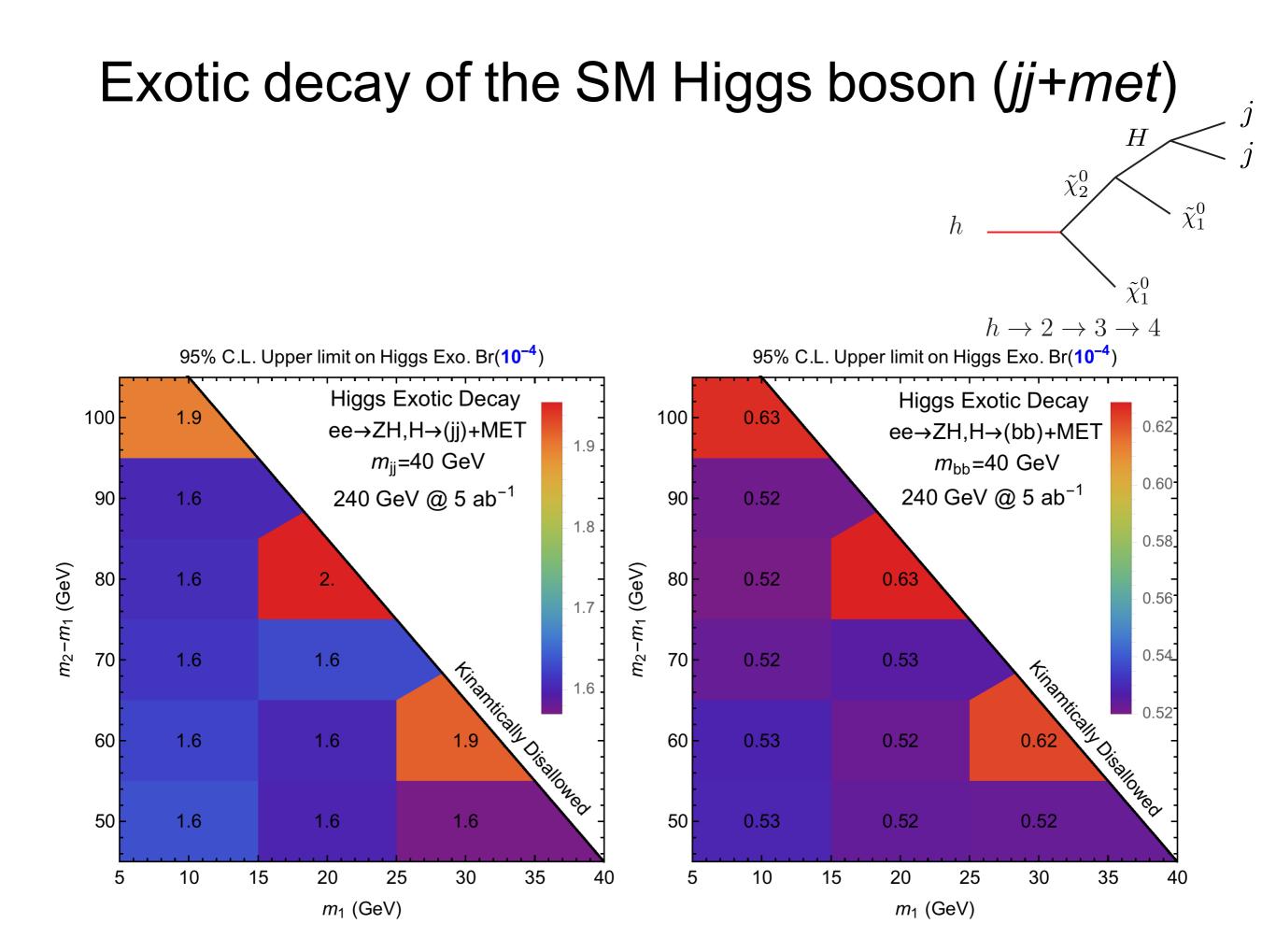


## Exotic decay of the SM Higgs boson (*jj+met*) $e^+e^- \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^- \nu_\ell \bar{\nu}_\ell j j$



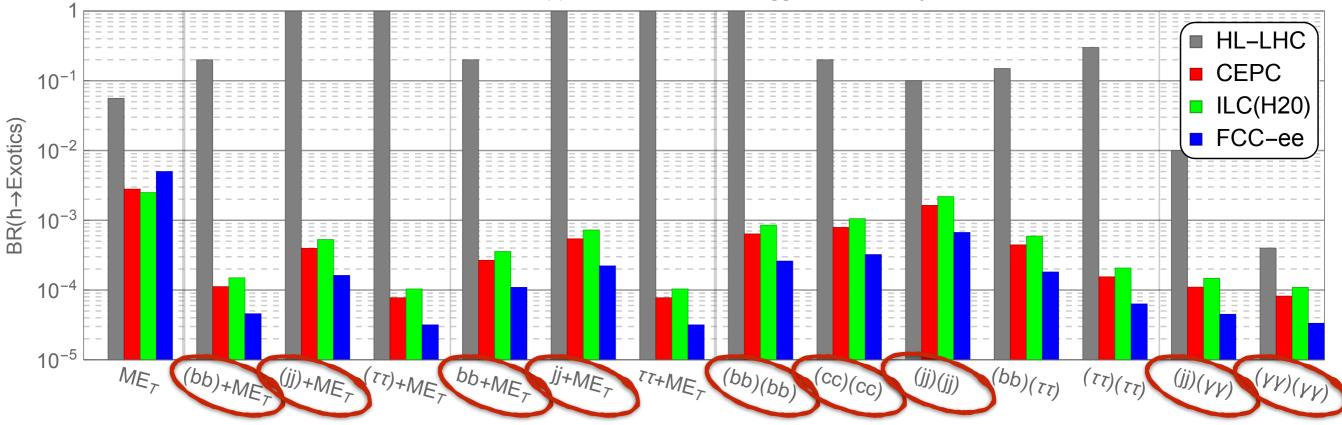






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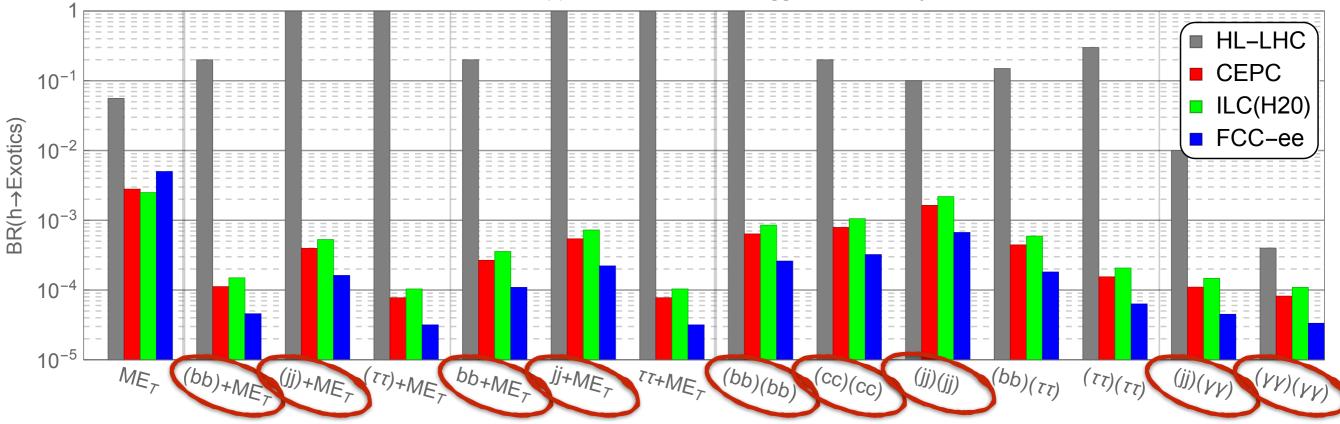
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- The sensitivity to the invisible Higgs decay has been well studied and the results are from literatures.
- The tau channels are extrapolated from our simulation with 40% tau tagging rate and more backgrounds considered.
- The ILC(H20, polarized) and FCC-ee results are rescaled with luminosity.

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- The accuracy of the measurement of the total width of the Higgs boson is expected to be ~ 2.7%. Thus this offers a much worse sensitivity to most of the exotic decay channels.
- The initial state effect, parton showering and hadronization effect, full detector simulation, hadronic Z decay mode, and jet substructure analysis are neglected in this work. However, they should be considered in a more complete version of the investigation of these NP signals.





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