

Multilepton Searches for Heavy Neutrino at the Higgs Factory

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Remarks on seesaw

Heavy N opportunities @ ee


Same-Sign multiple leptons – a probe for Higgs mixing

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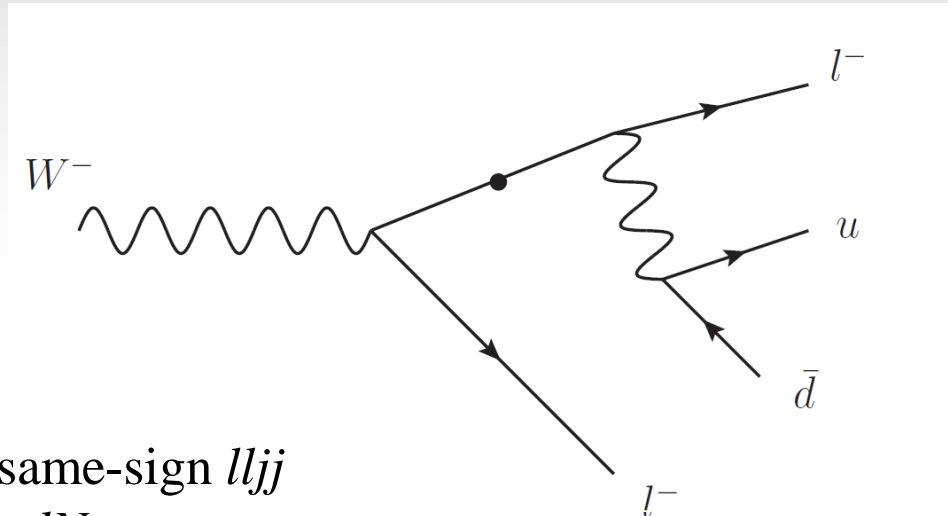
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Seesaw and mixings

		mixing
Type -I	$\mathcal{L}_N = -\bar{L} Y_\nu^D \tilde{H} N_R - \frac{1}{2} \overline{(N^c)}_L M_R N_R$	$\frac{y_D v_0}{\sqrt{2} M_R}$
Type -II	$\begin{aligned} \Delta \mathcal{L}_{II}^m &= -\bar{L}^c Y_\nu i\sigma_2 \Delta_L L \\ \Delta \mathcal{L}_{H\Delta_L} &\ni \mu H^T i\sigma_2 \Delta_L^\dagger H \end{aligned}$	
Type -III	$\mathcal{L}_Y = -Y_\Sigma \bar{L} \Sigma_R^c i\sigma^2 H^*$ $\mathcal{L}_T = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} [\overline{\Sigma}_L i \not{D} \Sigma_L] - \left(\frac{M_\Sigma}{2} \overline{\Sigma}_L^0 \Sigma_R^{0c} + M_\Sigma \overline{\Sigma}_L^- \Sigma_R^{+c} + \text{H.c.} \right)$	$\frac{Y_\Sigma v_0}{\sqrt{2} M_\Sigma}$

+ hybrids, inverse seesaw, radiative, etc.

Spotting a Majorana heavy N



'smoking' gun same-sign $lljj$
 from a $W(*) \rightarrow lN$ system,

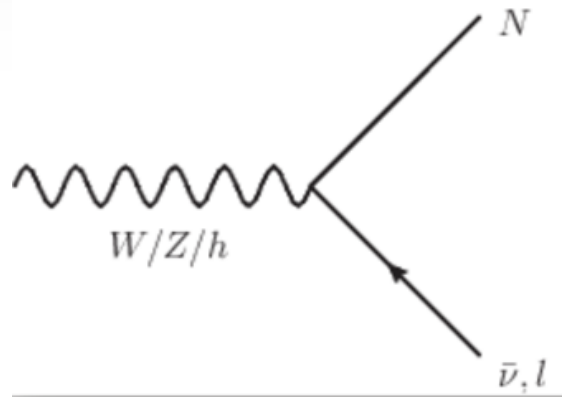
$$m_{ljj} \sim m_N$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Int.}} = & -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^+ \sum_{\ell=e}^{\tau} \left(\sum_{m=1}^3 \bar{\nu}_m U_{\ell m}^* + \sum_{m'=1}^n \overline{N_{m'}^c} V_{\ell N_{m'}}^* \right) \gamma^\mu P_L \ell^- \\ & -\frac{g}{2 \cos \theta_W} Z_\mu \sum_{\ell=e}^{\tau} \left(\sum_{m=1}^3 \bar{\nu}_m U_{\ell m}^* + \sum_{m'=1}^n \overline{N_{m'}^c} V_{\ell N_{m'}}^* \right) \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_\ell \\ & -\frac{g}{2M_W} h \sum_{\ell=e}^{\tau} \sum_{m'=1}^n m_{N_{m'}} \overline{N_{m'}^c} V_{\ell N_{m'}}^* P_L \nu_\ell + \text{H.c.} \end{aligned}$$

Heavy neutrino production

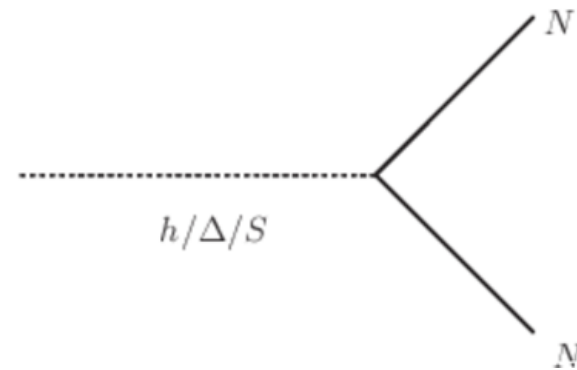
Single N production
via ν -N mixing.

effective couplings $\propto |V_{lN}|^2$



NN pair production
via N_R couplings

\propto scalar mixing $|\sin\alpha|^2$



$$\mathcal{L} \supset V(\Phi) + V(S) + \lambda|\Phi|^2 S^2 \\ + y_N S \bar{N}_R^c N_R + y_D \bar{L} \Phi N_R + c.c.$$

y_D is suppressed by active ν mass
 y_N is **not**.

Heavy N @ ee : W, Z, h rare decays (via V_{lN})

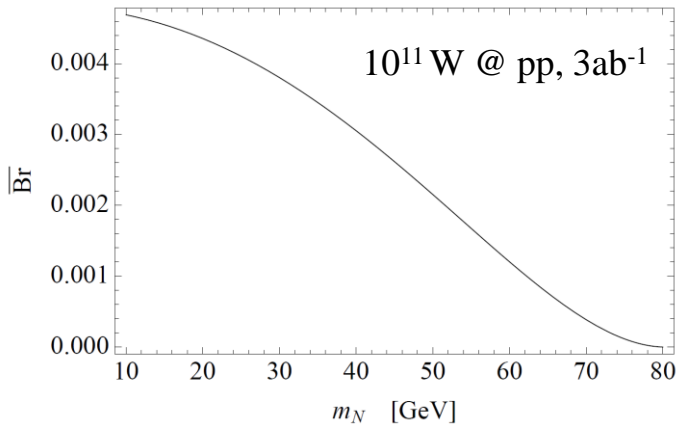
Z decay @ ee

Optimized at Z pole.
 $|V_{eN}|^2$ down to $\sim 10^{-8}$.

W decay @ pp (LNV)

$$W^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm e^\pm \mu^\mp \nu$$

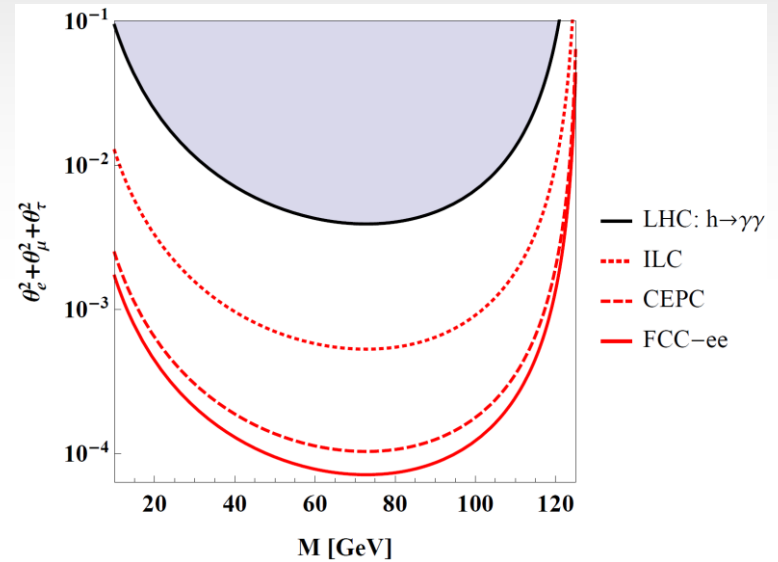
$$Br = \overline{Br} \times |U_{Ne}|^4 / (\sum_\ell |U_{N\ell}|^2)$$



C.O.Diba, C.S.Kim, 1509.05981

$h \rightarrow \nu N$ @ ee

S.Antusch, O.Fischer, 1502.05915



@ pp , top, VV bkg are significant.

$gg \rightarrow h \rightarrow \nu N$ search needs an **ISR kick**

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$h \rightarrow l l'$ flavor violating decays @ ee

see Q.Qin, Q.Li, C.-D.Lu, F.-S.Yu, S.-H.Zhou,
 1711.07243

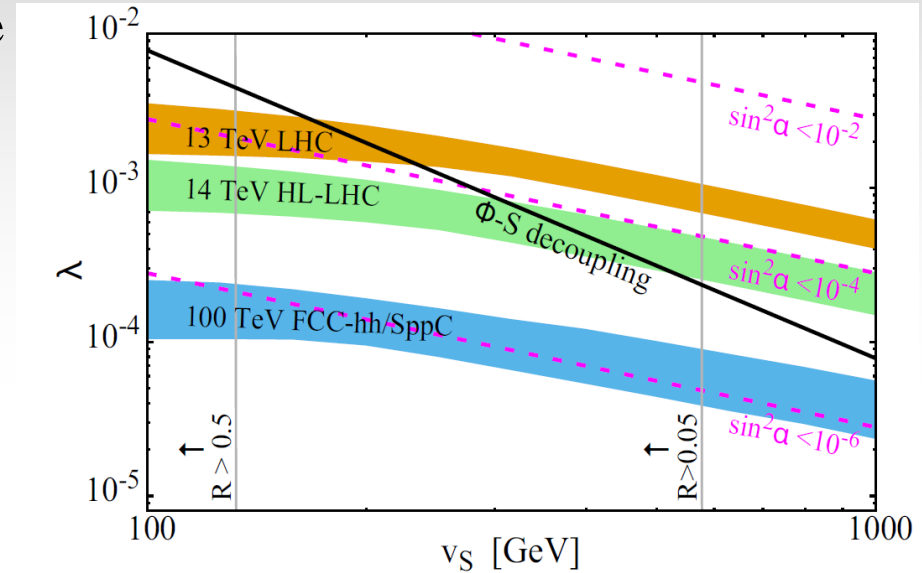
Heavy N @ pp : Higgs mixing (with scalar)

- Assuming the Higgs is the only visible scalar.
- Can $h \rightarrow NN$ probe the h - s mixing to tiny levels? -- ‘small coupling’

$$\sin^2 \alpha \ll 1,$$

$$\lambda \cdot \max(v_S^2, v_\Phi^2) \ll \min(m_s^2, m_\Phi^2).$$

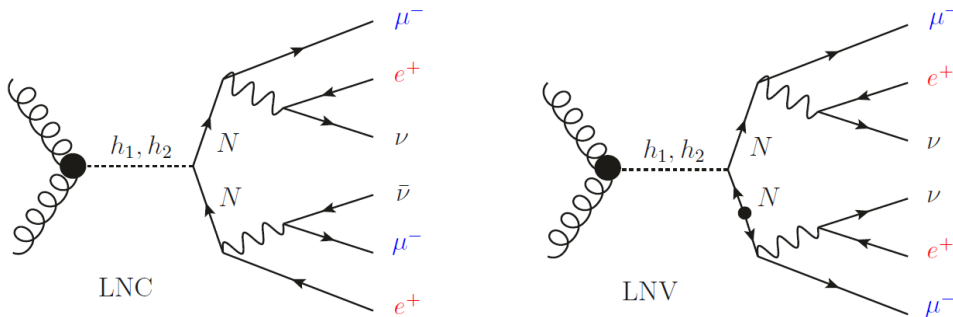
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pp limit, Y.Gao, M.Jin, K.Wang, 1904.12325

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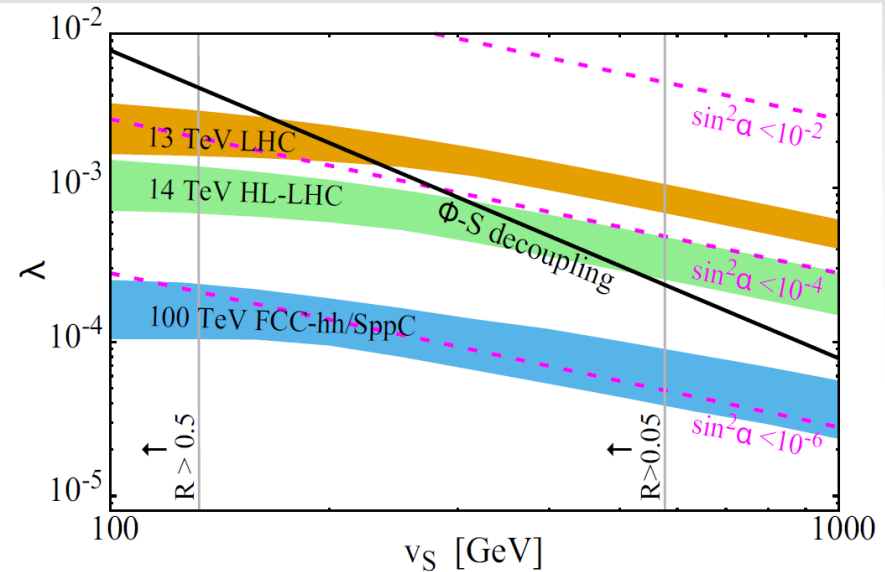
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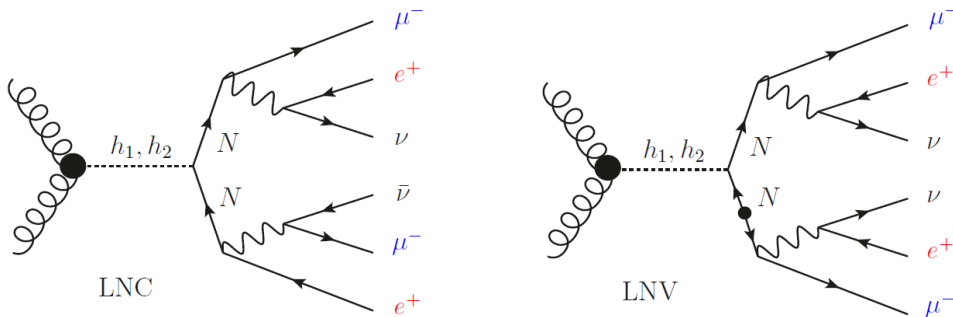
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How about using $ee \rightarrow Zh$ at Higgs Factory?

NN via Higgs Decay @ ee

1. How small an h - s mixing can CEPC probe?
(sensitivity on $|\sin\alpha|^2$, complementary to $|V_{IN}|^4$)
2. Are LNV (& alike) events *truly background free*?

10^6 Higgs events @ cleaner ee vs HL but dustier pp

ee : no fake leptons from soft jets, yet lower Higgs count, & extra Z boson

A minimal setup

$$\Delta\mathcal{L} \supset -y_D \bar{L} \tilde{\Phi} N_R - y_S S \bar{N}_R^c N_R + c.c. \\ + \lambda |\Phi|^2 S^2 + V_S.$$

SM Higgs-like $\Phi = v_\Phi + \phi$
 S vev gives the N mass $S = v_S + s$
 $m_{N_R} = 2y_N v_S$

	ϕ	s
ϕ	m_ϕ^2	$\lambda v_\phi v_s$
s	$\lambda v_\phi v_s$	m_s^2

Small coupling: $\lambda v_\Phi v_S \ll m_h^2, m_s^2$ $\begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ s \end{pmatrix}$
 & neglecting $|\Phi|^2 S$ terms

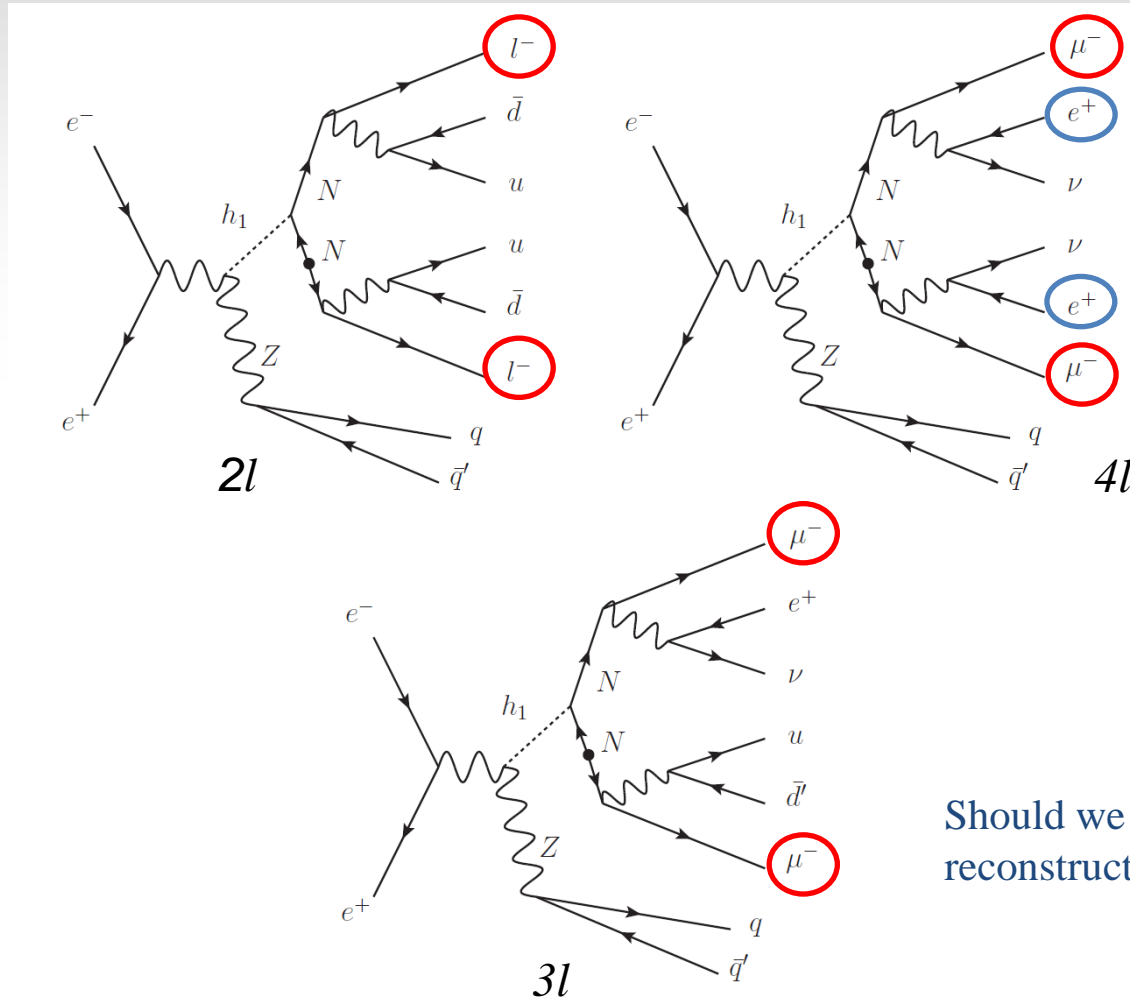
$$\sigma_{\text{sig.}} = (\sigma_{h_1} \cdot \text{BF}_{h_1 \rightarrow NN} + \sigma_{h_2}) \cdot \text{BF}_{\text{sig.}} \cdot A_{\text{eff}}$$

$$\Gamma(h_1 \rightarrow NN) = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \alpha \cdot \frac{y_N^2 m_{h_1}}{8\pi} \left(1 - \frac{4m_N^2}{m_{h_1}^2}\right)^{3/2}$$

Both $h_1 \rightarrow NN$ branching and $\sigma(h_2)$ scale $\sim |\sin\alpha|^2$
 $h_2 \rightarrow NN$ branching $\sim 100\%$ if $|V_{IN}|^2$ is small

ee@240 GeV: ignore $ee \rightarrow Zh_2$ as COM energy is limited

NN : Semileptonic, fully leptonic & mixed decays



Should we included a reconstruct-able Z?

NN@ee : SM backgrounds

1. Intrinsic backgrounds

Randomly flavored leptons emerges from W/W*. i.e W & tau decays.

$\tau^+\tau^-\tau^+\tau^-$, $\tau^+\tau^-\tau^+\tau^-Z$, $\tau^+\tau^-W^+W^-$.

2. Missed leptons (& wrong signs)

$\tau^+\tau^-Z$, l^+l^-Z , $\tau^+\tau^-l^+l^-Z$, $l^+l^-l^+l^-Z$, $l^+l^-W^+W^-$

up to 2 weak bosons for 240 GeV.

τ decay may yield jets. N decay jets are soft.

Leptonic Z decay may contribute to N_l and SS

6τ , $6l$ channels are not independent.

Signal strategy:

Assume $Z \rightarrow jj$ (more jets)

Require SS leptons

Strict lepton charge & count cuts

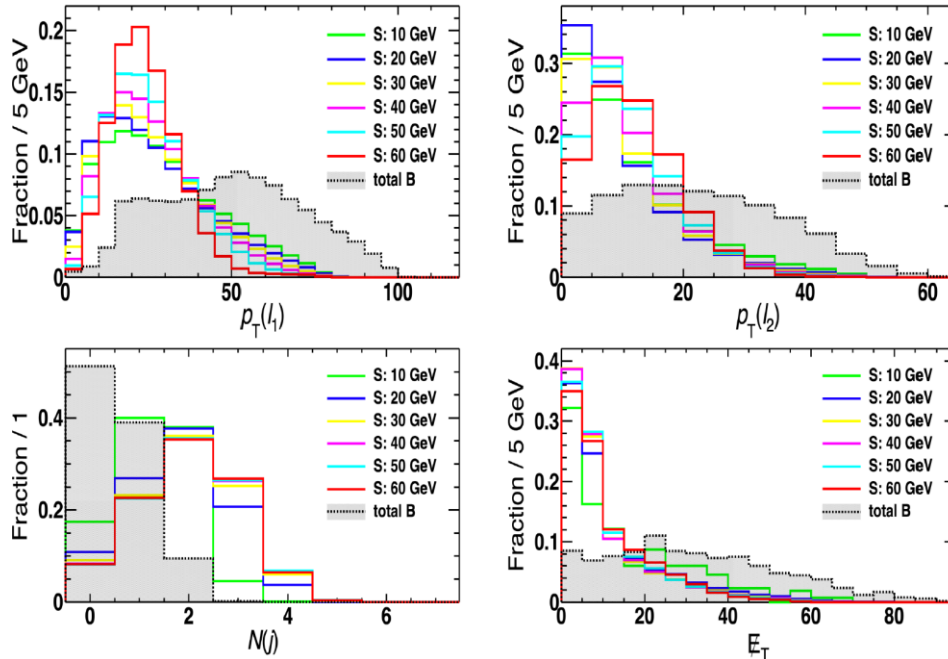
Categorize on N_l :

2-4 visible leptons with

flavor-distinguishable SS pairs

2l channel: SS dilepton + (≥ 3) jets

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		initial	cuts(i-ii)	cuts(iii-iv)	cuts(v)
Sig.	10 GeV	10^3	6.3	0.29	0.18
	20 GeV	10^3	35.9	8.8	6.4
	30 GeV	10^3	72.3	22.6	17.5
	40 GeV	10^3	97.2	32.5	25.3
	50 GeV	10^3	112	37.4	28.8
	60 GeV	10^3	121	40.5	30.2
Bkg.	4τ	1.69×10^4	870	4.6×10^{-2}	7.7×10^{-3}
	$\dagger 2\tau Z$	6.80×10^5	2.91×10^3	4.6	0.93
	$\dagger 2lZ$	1.74×10^6	3.98×10^3	-	-
	$4\tau Z$	93.0	2.0	0.19	5.9×10^{-2}
	$2\tau 2W$	4.42×10^3	63.6	0.92	8.2×10^{-2}
	$\dagger 2l2\tau Z$	584	13.8	2.0	0.75
	$\dagger 4lZ$	862	16.5	2.2	2.1
	$\dagger 2l2W$	2.74×10^4	639	11.7	1.2

lepton cuts
jet cuts

- (i) exactly two leptons, $N(\ell) = 2$ with $p_T(\ell) > 5$ GeV;
- (ii) two leptons have the same sign;
- (iii) veto τ leptons, $N(\tau) = 0$;
- (iv) at least three jets, $N(j) \geq 3$;
- (v) small missing energy, $\cancel{E}_T < 15$ GeV.

MG5+Pythia8+[Delphes CEPC card](#)

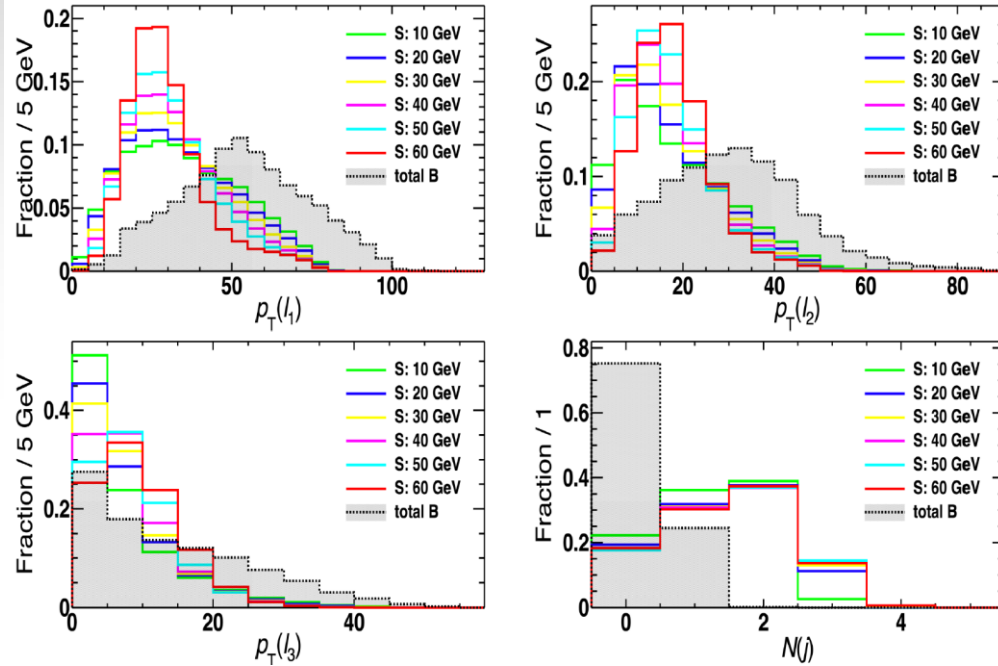
C.Chen, et.al. 1712.09517

Bkg @ 5.6 ab^{-1}

Signal ~10% eff. w lepton cuts
~2% sig. eff. at $N_{\text{bkg}} \sim 1$ level

3l channel: SS dilepton $+l'+(\geq 2)$ jets

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		initial	cuts(i)	cuts(ii)	cuts(iii-iv)
Sig.	10 GeV	10^3	27.9	5.6	2.3
	20 GeV	10^3	62.7	13.6	6.6
	30 GeV	10^3	85.8	19.9	10.0
	40 GeV	10^3	102	24.9	12.7
	50 GeV	10^3	112	27.3	14.1
	60 GeV	10^3	115	28.2	14.4
Bkg.	4τ	1.69×10^4	614	155	3.8×10^{-2}
	$\dagger 2\tau Z$	6.80×10^5	1.30×10^4	350	-
	$\dagger 2lZ$	1.74×10^6	5.03×10^4	121	-
	$4\tau Z$	93.0	2.1	0.25	7.3×10^{-2}
	$2\tau 2W$	4.42×10^3	27.8	6.9	0.72
	$\dagger 2l2\tau Z$	584	46.5	1.1	0.44
	$\dagger 4lZ$	862	132	0.27	1.4×10^{-2}
	$\dagger 2l2W$	2.74×10^4	1.30×10^3	37.8	5.0×10^{-2}

lepton cuts jet cuts

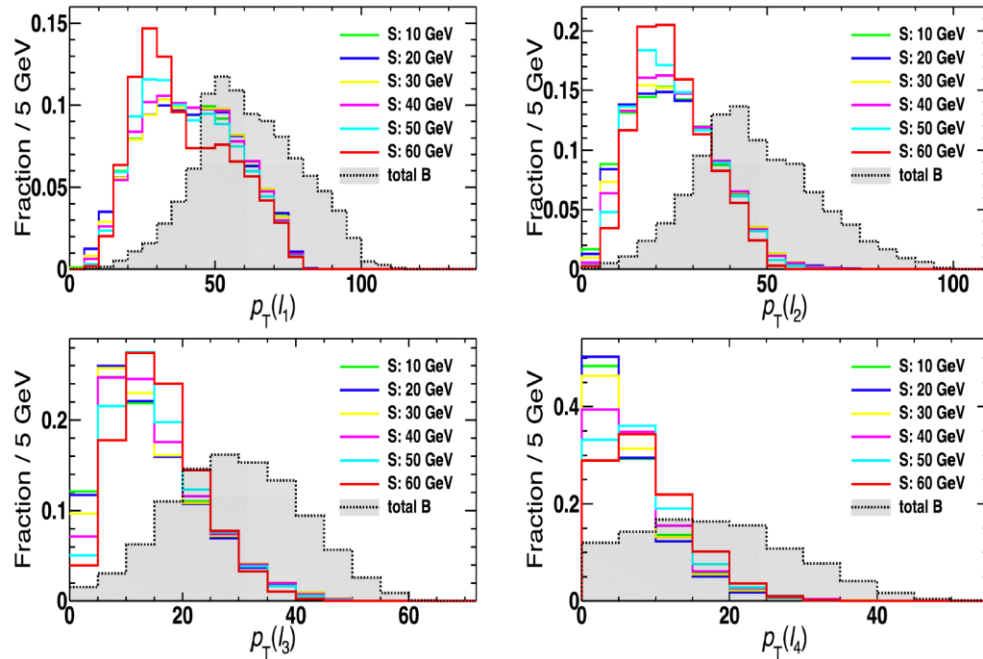
- (i) exactly three leptons $N(\ell) = 3$ with $p_T \geq 5$ GeV;
- (ii) veto OSSF lepton pairs;
- (iii) veto τ leptons, $N(\tau) = 0$;
- (iv) at least two jets, $N(j) \geq 2$.

Bkg @ 5.6 ab^{-1}

O(1%) sig. eff. at $N_{\text{bkg}} \sim 1$ level

4l channel: two SS dileptons + (≥ 1) jets

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		initial	cuts(i)	cuts(ii)	cuts(iii-iv)
Sig.	10 GeV	10^3	15.9	1.1	0.71
	20 GeV	10^3	17.5	1.1	0.72
	30 GeV	10^3	22.1	1.3	0.80
	40 GeV	10^3	26.8	1.5	0.98
	50 GeV	10^3	30.1	1.8	1.2
	60 GeV	10^3	32.1	2.1	1.3
	Bkg.	4τ	1.69×10^4	58.4	6.8
$\dagger 2\tau Z$		6.80×10^5	2.26×10^3	9.6	-
$\dagger 2\ell Z$		1.74×10^6	7.28×10^4	-	-
$4\tau Z$		93.0	0.45	6.4×10^{-3}	2.8×10^{-3}
$2\tau 2W$		4.42×10^3	1.3	0.17	-
$\dagger 2\ell 2\tau Z$		584	13.8	1.0×10^{-2}	3.2×10^{-3}
$\dagger 4\ell Z$		862	116	7.8×10^{-4}	-
$\dagger 2\ell 2W$		2.74×10^4	217	-	-

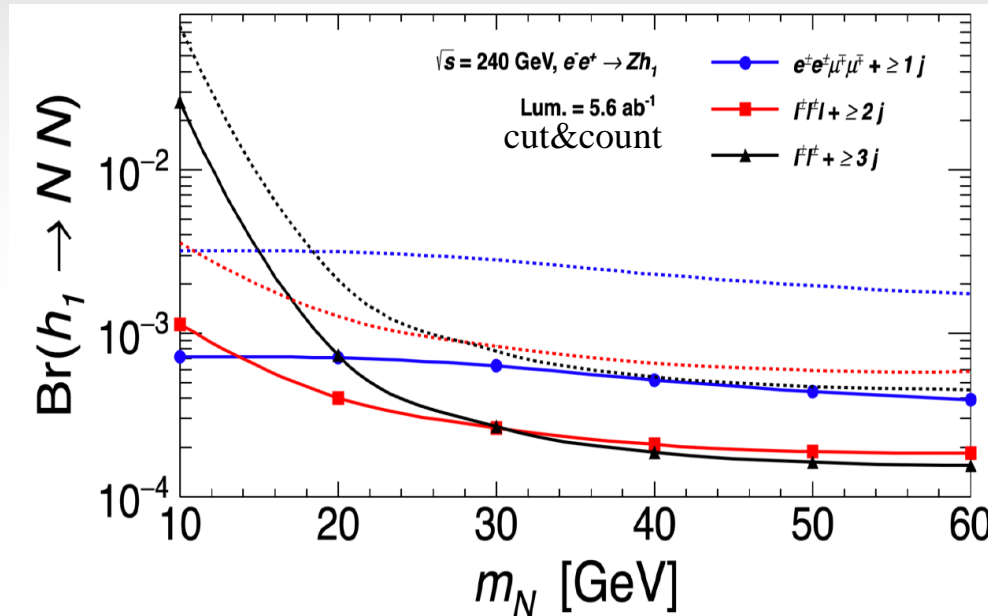
$N_j=4$ Two SS dileptons jet cuts
(for sensitivity)

- (i) exactly four leptons, $N(\ell) = 4$ with $p_T(\ell) \geq 5$ GeV;
- (ii) exactly two electrons with the same charges; exactly two muons with the same charges; electrons and muons have opposite charges; i.e. exactly $e^\pm e^\pm \mu^\mp \mu^\mp$ lepton pairs;
- (iii) veto τ leptons, $N(\tau) = 0$;
- (iv) at least one jet, $N(j) \geq 1$.

~10 bkg events
w two SS dileptons
@5.6 ab^{-1}

lofty cost: sig. eff ~ 0.1%

Mixing angle reach @ ee (CEPC)



2l, 3l wins over 4l

$$|\sin \alpha \cdot y_S|^2 = \text{BR}(h_1 \rightarrow NN) \cdot 16\pi \frac{\Gamma_{h_1}}{m_{h_1}} \left(1 - \frac{4m_N^2}{m_{h_1}^2}\right)^{-3/2}$$

ee @ 240 GeV, 5.6 ab^{-1} :

$|\sin \alpha|^2 < 10^{-4}$ sensitivity
 for $y_S \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$
 comparable to HL-LHC

Summary

1. Heavy N as a good probe for Higgs - seesaw scalar mixing $|\sin\alpha|^2$ @ ee
2. $|\sin\alpha|^2 \sim 10^{-4}$ for CEPC @ 240 GeV, 5.6 ab^{-1} , comparable to HL-LHC
Type equation here.
3. SS dilepton bkg not neglectable. Lofty loss on signal if assuming $N_{\text{bkg}} < 1$.
4. $Z \rightarrow ll$ yield a bonus SS trilepton signal @ ee