

# Search for Light Scalars Produced in Association with a Z boson at the 250 GeV stage of the ILC

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The SM-like scalar  $H^{125}$  was found in 2012:  
 $\Rightarrow$  the real SM Higgs?

Theoretical:

- ▶ Many BSMs predict one or more extra scalars.
  - ▶ 2HDM, NMSSM, Randall Sundrum model ...
- ▶ a scalar  $S^0$  lighter than 125 GeV is well motivated.

Experimental:

- ▶ LHC/LEP(\*) constraints rely on the model details:
  - ▶ CP, mass hierarchy, couplings, etc.
- ▶ precise constraints are necessary.



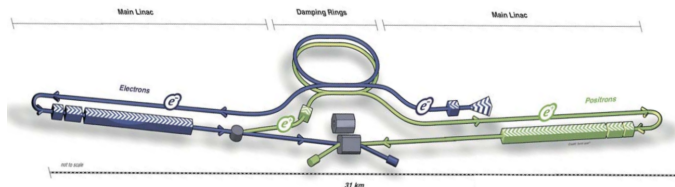
- \* many models.
- \* many parameters.
- \* very weak couplings

\* Refer to studies at LHC:

Somnath, Junichi,  
Chayani's talks in the  
Higgs session.

**We want a better result!**

# ILC — The International Linear Collider



- ▶ ILC properties:
  - ▶  $e^+e^-$  collider, with polarized beams ( $e^-: \pm 0.8, e^+: \mp 0.3$ ).
- ▶ ILC running scenario for about 20 years:
  - ▶ The first stage ILC@250  $\rightarrow \sqrt{s} = 250$  GeV and  $\int Ldt = 2000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - ▶ Energy-upgradable
    - ▶  $\sqrt{s} = 350$  GeV and  $\int Ldt = 200 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
    - ▶  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV and  $\int Ldt = 4000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
    - ▶ upgradable to 1 TeV.
- ▶ Construction under political consideration in Japan.

# Comparing LEP/LHC and ILC

- ▶ comparing with LEP: ILC is sensitive to lighter scalars with smaller  $S^0 ZZ$  coupling.

	LEP	ILC	improvement
max $\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	189-209	250	
$m_h$ region (GeV)	<115	<160	
luminosity	totally $\sim 2.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$2000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	recoil mass
polarization	×	✓	angle correlation
detector e.g. $\sigma_1/p_T$	$6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$	$2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$	resolution
search channels	$2b2q, 2b2\nu, 2b2l, \tau\tau qq$	model independent	

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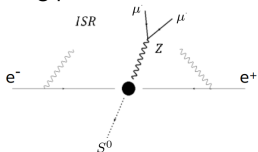
- ▶ comparing with LHC
  - ▶ LHC, complex initial states and backgrounds,  $S^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma/ZZ\dots$  channel, large uncertainties.
  - ▶ ILC,  $e^+e^-$  well known initial states, **clean environment**, **model-independent**.



# The Recoil Method on SM Higgs at ILC

$e^+e^-$  collider  $\rightarrow$  know the initial states behaviour  $\rightarrow$  recoil technique  $\rightarrow$  model independence

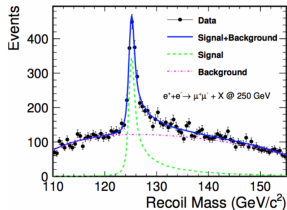
Higgsstrahlung process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z + H^{125}/S^0$



- $\triangleright M_{rec}^2 = (\sqrt{s} - E_{\mu\mu})^2 - |\vec{p}_{\mu\mu}|^2$
- $\triangleright M_{\mu\mu} \sim M_Z, M_{rec} \sim M_{H^{125}/S^0}$

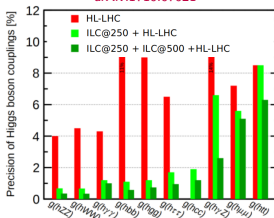
SM  $H^{125}$  recoil mass distribution (ILD)

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SM  $H^{125}$  coupling for ILC and HL-LHC

arXiv:1710.07621



the same method on light scalar searching, **SM  $H \rightarrow$  a lighter  $S^0$** .

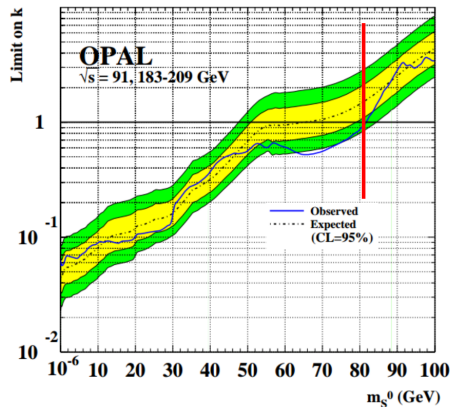


# The Recoil Results at LEP

LEP results (CERN-EP-2002-032):

- ▶ the OPAL detector
- ▶ Decay-mode independent searches for new scalar bosons
- ▶ energy & luminosity:
  - ▶ 91.2 GeV and  $0.115 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at LEP1
  - ▶ 161 to 202 GeV and  $0.662 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at LEP2.
- ▶ light higgs mass: 10 keV - 100 GeV

- ▶  $k = \frac{\sigma_{S^0 Z}}{\sigma_{H_{SM} Z}(m_{H_{SM}}=m_{S^0})}$



# ILD (International Large Detector) and Full Simulation of Signal and SM Background

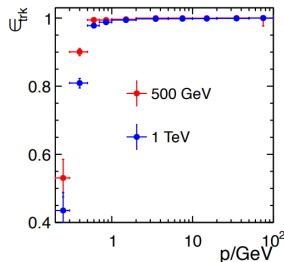
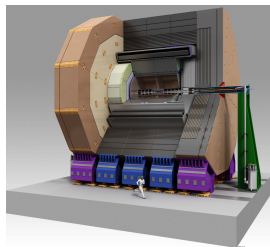


- ▶ optimized for particle flow
- ▶ Momentum resolution:  
 $\sigma_{1/p_T} < 2 * 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$
- ▶ excellent tracking performance

The signal MC samples

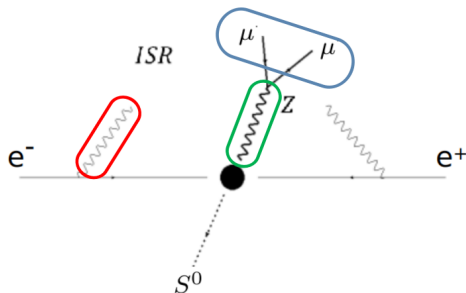
- ▶  $M_{S^0} = 10, 15, 20, \dots, 120 \text{ GeV}$ ,  
every 5 GeV step.
- ▶  $S^0$  decay  $\Rightarrow$  same as SM  $H^{125}$ .

Full SM backgrounds, including  $H^{125}$ .



Principle: using the smallest amount of information of  $S^0$  decay.

- ▶ a pair of isolated muon, with opposite charges.  $\Rightarrow$  reconstructing four momentums.
- ▶ using observables rely on the muons (and reconstructed Z boson).  
(invariant mass, open angles ...)

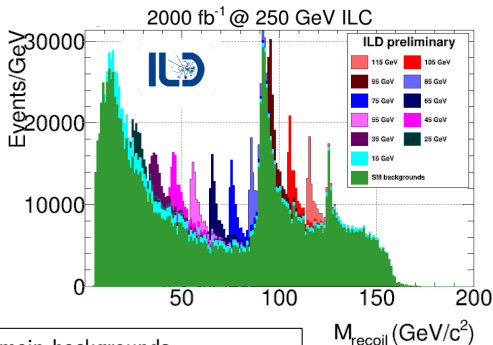


- ▶ ISR photons may undermine  $S^0$  recoil distribution.  $\Rightarrow$  photon veto



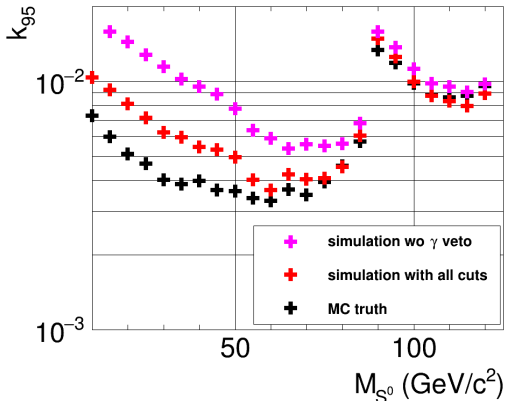
# Recoil Mass Distribution

- ▶ recoil mass distribution for different  $M_{S^0}$ .
- ▶ 2000 fb<sup>-1</sup>, ILC@250.
- $P(e^-, e^+) = (\pm 80\%, \pm 30\%)$ .



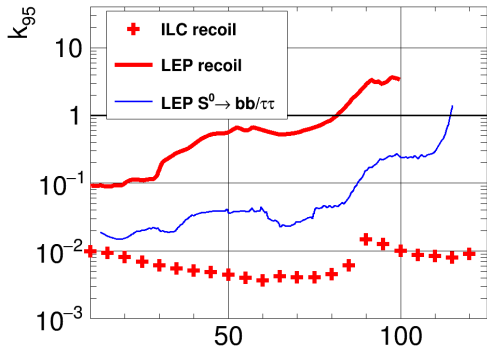
mass region	main backgrounds
$125 > M_{S^0} > M_Z$	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- f\bar{f}, ZH^{125} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- H^{125}$
$M_{S^0} \sim M_Z$	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-, ZH^{125} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- H^{125}$
$M_Z > M_{S^0} > 40$	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-, e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$
$40 > M_{S^0}$	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

# Impact of Detector Resolution and Photon Veto



- ▶ 95% CL upper bounds on scale factor of cross section with likelihood methods
- ▶ different in the low mass region  $\rightarrow$  ISR photons.

## Comparing with LEP



Refer to the ILC theoretical prediction, extrapolated from the LEP measurements.

P.Drechsel etc.  
arXiv:1801.09662

- ▶  $k = \frac{\sigma_{S^0 Z}}{\sigma_{H_{SM} Z}(m_{H_{SM}} = m_{S^0})}$
- ▶ LEP recoil: LEP2 data from 161 GeV to 202 GeV, combined LEP1 data.
- ▶ LEP  $S^0 \rightarrow bb/\tau\tau$ : exclusive reconstruction of  $Z$  and  $h$  decay.
- ▶ 1-2 orders of magnitude improvement over LEP's recoil results → discovery opportunity!
- ▶ when  $100 \geq M_h \geq 50$  GeV, trend is similar with LEP.



- ▶ A lighter higgs is favored in many BSM models
  - ▶ 2HDM, NMSSM, RS ...
- ▶ A model-independent analysis has been performed.
  - ▶ mass range [10, 120) GeV
  - ▶ 2000 fb<sup>-1</sup>, when  $\sqrt{s} = 250$  GeV.
- ▶ Sensitivity for  $k_{95}$  (cross section scale factor)
  - ▶  $k_{95} \in (0.003-0.02)$ .
  - ▶ 1-2 orders of magnitude more sensitive than LEP covering substantial new phase space



# Backup Slides





The higgs boson found at 2012: the SM Higgs?

Many BSMs predict one or more extra scalars:

- ▶ General Two Higgs Doublet Model (2HDM...)
  - with 2 scalars:  $h$ ,  $H$ , 1 pseudoscalar  $A$ , 2 charged particles
- ▶ Next-to-Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (NMSSM)
  - with 3 scalars:  $h_1$ ,  $h_2$ ,  $h_3$ , 2 pseudoscalars  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ , 2 charged particles
- ▶ Randall Sundrum model
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In these models, a scalar lighter than 125 GeV is well motivated.

LHC Higgs boson rather SM-like  $\rightarrow$  new higgs coupling to Z boson strongly suppressed.  
Could we find it at the ILC?

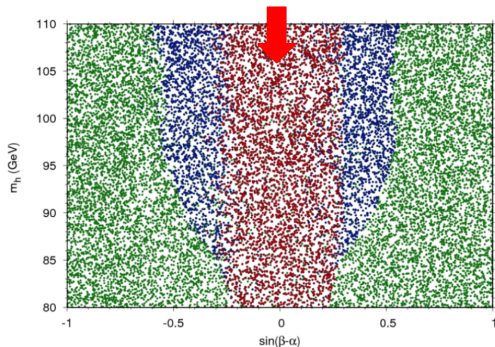
## Past Experiment Results parameters

LEP SM Higgs searches: constrain other extra scalars, whose properties, especially decay profile, are similar as SM higgs's.

LEP/LHC constraints rely on the model details: CP, mass hierarchy, couplings, etc.

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survived after indirect + LEP + LHC constrains



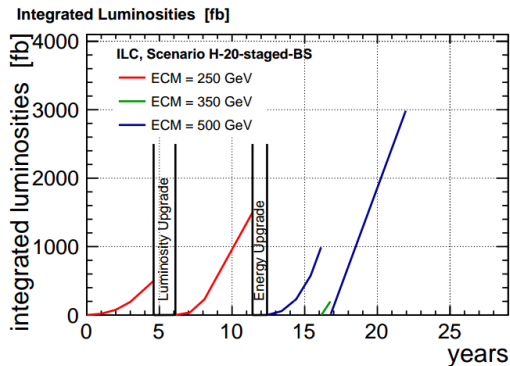
2HDM, Type I:

$\tan\beta > 1.2$ ,

$m_A > 60$  GeV,

$m_{H^\pm} > 80$  GeV ..

- ▶ totally 22 years
- ▶  $(-+, +-, --, ++)$  = (45%, 45%, 5%, 5%) polarization scenario





# ILD (International Large Detector)

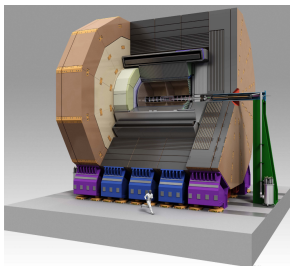
## and full simulation of Signal and SM Background



- ▶ new trackers, calorimeters, 3.5T magnetic field, yoke for muon, forward system
- ▶ Requirements:
  - ▶ Impact parameter resolution:  
 $\sigma_{r\phi} < 5 \oplus 10/(p \sin^{3/2}\theta)\mu\text{m}$
  - ▶ Momentum resolution:  
 $\sigma_{1/p_T} < 2 * 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$
  - ▶ Energy resolution:  $\sigma_E/E = 3 - 4\%$

### The signal MC samples

- ▶  $M_{S^0} = 10, 15, 20, \dots, 120 \text{ GeV}$ , every 5 GeV step.
- ▶ decay branch ratios are the same as the 125 GeV SM Higgs boson.



### The background MC samples:

- ▶ 2-fermion ( $2f^l, 2f^h$ ) leptonic/bhabha/hadronic
- ▶ 4-fermion ( $4f^l, 4f^{sl}, 4f^h$ ) leptonic/semi-lepton/hadronic
- ▶ SM Higgs,  $Higgs_{125}$
- ▶  $\gamma\gamma$  backgrounds



# Analysis flow

Principle: using the smallest amount of information of  $S_0$  decay.

01

a muon pair

$$\chi^2(M_{\mu^+\mu^-}, M_{\text{rec}}) = \frac{(M_{\mu^+\mu^-} - M_Z)^2}{\sigma_{M_{\mu^+\mu^-}}^2} + \frac{(M_{\text{rec}} - M_h)^2}{\sigma_{M_{\text{rec}}}^2}.$$

02

$M_Z \in [73, 120]$  GeV

03

$P_T^Z \in [10, 128 - 4 \times \frac{M_h}{10}]$  GeV

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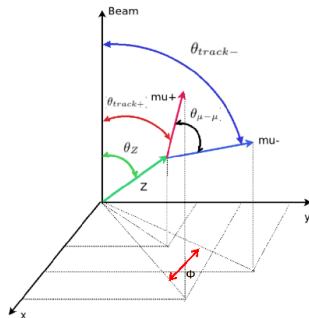
$\cos\theta_{\text{mis}} < 0.98$  when  $E_{\text{mis}} > 10$  GeV

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Multi-Variate Analysis : angles

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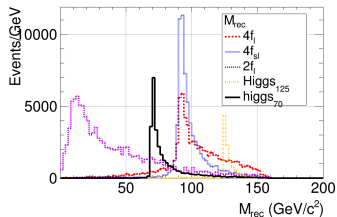
photon veto : veto ISR photon



Four regions.

mass region	main backgrounds
$125 > M_{S^0} > M_Z$	$4f_{zz}^{sl}$ , $4f_{zz/ww}$ , SM Higgs
$M_{S^0} \sim M_Z$	$4f_{zz}^l$ , $4f_{zz}^{sl}$ , $4f_{zz/ww}$ , SM Higgs
$M_Z > M_{S^0} > 40$	$2f_l$ , $4f_{zz}$ , $4f_{zz/ww}$
$40 > M_{S^0}$	$2f_l$

signal &amp; bkg



Cut efficiencies for different masses:

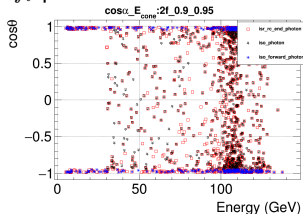
$\int L dt = 2000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	new higgs	$4f_l$	$4f_{sl}$	$2f_l$	total bk	cut efficiency	significance
$m_h = 115 \text{ GeV}$	17419.6	61033.9	53869.4	13877.7	128781	0.67	45.56
$m_h = 90 \text{ GeV}$	22198.2	63210.7	74563	18514.2	156288	0.59	52.54
$m_h = 70 \text{ GeV}$	26841.3	51671.6	60357.7	37166.6	149196	0.57	63.97
$m_h = 50 \text{ GeV}$	30493.5	46128.1	54372.8	80074.4	180575	0.54	66.37
$m_h = 30 \text{ GeV}$	33843.7	51206.6	55743.3	213184	320134	0.49	56.88

$$\text{significance} = \frac{S}{\sqrt{S+B}}, \quad \text{and } S = \kappa_{gZZ}^2 \times \sigma_{h\mu\mu}^{m_h} \times \mathcal{L}, \quad \text{where } \kappa_{gZZ} = 1$$

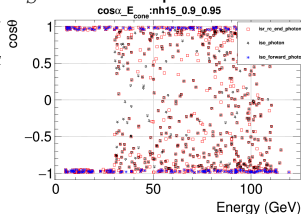
- ▶  $2\sigma$  exclusion limits with a bin-by-bin comparison between the signal and backgrounds recoil mass histograms.
- ▶ the background-only hypothesis — no new higgs in the investigated mass range.
- ▶ the signal-plus-background hypothesis — the new higgs is assumed to be produced.
- ▶ a global test-statistic  $X(m_h) = \mathcal{L}(s(m_h))/\mathcal{L}(0)$  is constructed to discriminate signal and background.
- ▶ the distributions of  $X(m_h)$  are normalised to become probability density functions → integrated to be the confidence levels  $CL_b(m_h)$  and  $CL_{s+b}(m_h)$ .
- ▶ the ratio  $CL_s(m_h) = CL_{s+b}(m_h)/CL_b(m_h)$  is used to describe that the signal confidence one might have obtained in the absence of background.



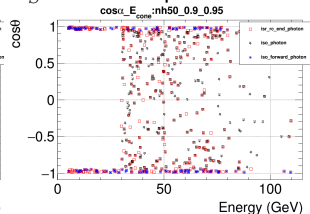
$2f_l$  process



$M_{S^0} = 15$  GeV process



$M_{S^0} = 50$  GeV process



- ▶ There is photon return effects in  $2f_l$  process.
- ▶ identify ISR photon by
  - ▶ ISR photon in the central region ( $\cos\theta < 0.95$ ):  $E_{\text{central}} > 100$  GeV
  - ▶ ISR photon in the forward region ( $0.95 < \cos\theta < 0.99$ ):  $E_{\text{forward}} > 60$  GeV
  - ▶ ISR cone around photon axis:  $\cos\alpha = 0.90$
  - ▶ Energy ratio inside the ISR photon cone:  $\frac{E}{E_{\text{cone}}} = 0.95$

## OPAL's strategy

- ▶ at least two opposite charged leptons
- ▶ isolation of lepton tracks,  $\alpha_{iso}^1 > 15^\circ$ ,  $\alpha_{iso}^2 > 10^\circ$
- ▶ find two best leptons  $m_{ll} \sim m_Z$
- ▶ invariant mass of the lepton pair,  $M_{\mu\mu} \in [81.2, 101.2]$  GeV
- ▶  $p_{ll}^Z > 50$  GeV
- ▶ polar angle of missing momentum,  $|\theta_{mis}| < 0.95$  for  $p_{mis} > 5$  GeV
- ▶ acoplanarity
- ▶ ISR photon veto

## my strategy

- ▶ at least two isolated muon, with IsolatedLeptonTagging Processor
- ▶ find two best leptons,  $m_{ll} \sim m_Z$  and  $m_{rec} \sim m_h$
- ▶ Recovery of bremsstrahlung and FSR photons
- ▶ Reconstruct Z boson mass  $M_{\mu\mu} \in [73, 120]$  GeV.
- ▶  $70 \text{ GeV} > P_T^Z > 10 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ the polar angle of the missing momentum,  $|\theta_{mis}| < 0.98$ , when  $E_{mis} > 10 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ MVA:  $M_{\mu+\mu-}$ ,  $\cos(\theta_Z)$ ,  $\cos(\theta_{\mu+\mu-})$ ,  $\cos(\theta_{\mu+})$ ,  $\cos(\theta_{\mu-})$ , acoplanarity
- ▶ ISR photon veto

