Long-lived particles in Par Matter searches at the LH



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Manifold evidence for Dark Matter



$$\Omega_m h^2 = 0.1415 \pm 0.0019$$

$$\Omega_b h^2 = 0.02226 \pm 0.00023$$

$$\Omega_c h^2 = 0.1186 \pm 0.0020$$

A Dark Matter particle should be: massive, neutral, non-relativistic at present time

Complementarity of searches



Anatomy of a typical detector @ LHC



What does a collision event look like?

- Detectable objects are photons, electrons, muons, hadrons (which form jets), and invisible neutrinos (in the form of missing momentum or MET)
- Most new particles will decay into SM particles
- We use kinematic distributions of detectable objects to define signal (i.e. new physics) and background (i.e. SM physics)





Prediction & Inference

(i.e. If the LHC sees something, how well can we pinpoint the underlying theory?)

To be able to use LHC data for model building & testing:

- 1. Experimentalists should provide their results in a "model-independent" way (e.g. 95% observed ULs instead of exclusion curves in model parameters)
- 2. There should be a standard way of re-using experimental searches. This is called **"Recasting"**.

Data from experiments



- A. Experiments provide "high-level" information,
 e.g. number of observed events with X jets + Y electrons/muons + large MET;
 signal strength in a particular channel, etc.
- B. Kinematic requirements (a.k.a cuts) are placed to discriminate new physics "signal" from Standard Model "background". Experiments provide cut flows, efficiency maps for benchmark models.
- C. Complex statistical machinery used likelihoods, MVA, Neural Nets etc. to get best **upper limits**, **signal strengths**, or **cross section measurements**.



Recast accurately reproduces kinematic effects.

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Simulating signal and background



- Hard Process: production & decay
- Parton showers: radiation from quarks and
- Hadronisation: formation of hadrons (baryons and mesons)
- Multi-parton interactions: more than one interacting parton from the same proton

High-scale New Physics shows up mainly in the hard process

$$\hat{\sigma} = \int d\mathcal{PS} |\mathcal{M}|^2$$

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Coverage of prompt signatures

Selected CMS SUSY Results* - SMS Interpretation

ICHEP '16 - Moriond '17





Models predicting long lived particles

Dark Matter

SUSY (i.e. Winos, Higgsinos) Coannihilation with scalars Dark Photon Higgs Portal Freeze-in

Naturalness

Hidden valleys GMSB SUSY RPV SUSY

Neutrino Masses Flavour Anomalies Sterile Neutrinos L-R models (Z' & W's)

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Charged track searches



Disappearing track searches



arXiv:1712.02118

Displaced Vertices



arXiv:1710.04901

Traditional searches fail for LLPs



"Unexpected" cuts may restrict what we choose to see

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LOOKING at the simplest jets + MLT search	Looking	at the	simp	lest	jets	+	MET	search
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Selection GeV	RPC	$\tau = 100 \text{ ns}$	$\tau = 10 \text{ ns}$	$\tau = 1 \text{ ns}$	$\tau = 0.1 \text{ ns}$	$\tau = 0.01 \text{ ns}$
DxAOD skimming	94.0	82.0	86.0	75.0	77.0	78.0
$\mathrm{Jet}/E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}$ cleaning	98.9	93.9	76.7	96.0	100.0	100.0
Cosmic muon cut	98.9	98.7	97.0	93.1	77.9	78.2
Lepton veto	58.7	53.9	54.7	47.8	43.3	39.3
$N_{\rm jets} \ge 4$	98.1	97.6	97.1	100.0	100.0	100.0
$\mathbf{p}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss,track}} > 30 \mathrm{~GeV}$	71.7	75.0	85.3	90.6	88.5	87.5
$N_{b-\text{jet}} \ge 1$	92.1	90.0	93.1	89.7	100.0	100.0
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} > 250 { m ~GeV}$	60.0	59.3	44.4	15.4	12.6	10.5
$\left \Delta\phi\left(\mathbf{p}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}},\mathbf{p}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss,\mathrm{track}}} ight)\right < 1/3\pi$	95.2	93.8	91.7	72.5	72.4	63.6
$\left \Delta\phi\left(\mathrm{jet}^{0,1,2},\mathbf{p}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}} ight)\right > 0.4$	95.0	93.3	85.5	65.5	71.4	71.4
$m_{\text{jet},R=1.2}^0 > 120 \text{ GeV}$	73.7	78.6	75.5	78.9	86.7	90.0

Already approx. 50% loss before MET cuts

Important to map all possible signatures to avoid the same mistakes!

Moral of the story so far...

- Sophisticated machinery needed to "see" new physics and to understand what we see.
- Many searches for promptly decaying particles, not so many for long-lived ones
- •There might be unexpected, unnecessary assumptions because all our benchmarks look the same; important to have as much variety as possible to make sure we're not missing anything.

Writing down a model for DM

Is it a Scalar? Vector? Dirac or Majorana Fermion?

Does it couple directly to some SM particle (Z, h) ? If there is a mediator, how does the mediator couple to SM? to Dark Matter?

Effective Field Theory

PRO: Simple, Easy to relate observables

CON: bad highenergy behaviour

Simplified models

Trying to get the best of both worlds

IDEA: write down the simplest field content (often a DM field + one mediator)

Complete Models

eg. SUSY, Universal Extra Dim, Little Higgs,...

PRO: Theoretically well motivated, fully calculable, extra particles

CON: Model Prejudices, complicated to understand

List of EFT Operators

	Name	Operator	Coefficient
S-channel Scalar mediator	D1	$ar\chi\chiar q q$	m_q/M_*^3
	D2	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi\bar{q}q$	im_q/M_*^3
	D3	$\bar{\chi}\chi\bar{q}\gamma^5 q$	im_q/M_*^3
	D4	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi\bar{q}\gamma^5q$	m_q/M_*^3
S-channel Vector mediator	D5	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\chi\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}q$	$1/M_{*}^{2}$
	D6	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5}\chi\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}q$	$1/M_{*}^{2}$
	$\mathrm{D7}$	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\chi\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma^{5}q$	$1/M_{*}^{2}$
	D8	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5}\chi\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma^{5}q$	$1/M_{*}^{2}$
	D9	$\bar{\chi}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\chi\bar{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}q$	$1/M_{*}^{2}$
Scalar portal	D10	$\bar{\chi}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\gamma^5\chi\bar{q}\sigma_{\alpha\beta}q$	i/M_*^2
	D11	$\bar{\chi}\chi G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$	$\alpha_s/4M_*^3$
	D12	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$	$i\alpha_s/4M_*^3$
	D13	$\bar{\chi}\chi G_{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$	$i\alpha_s/4M_*^3$
	D14	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi G_{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$	$\alpha_s/4M_*^3$

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C1	$\chi^\dagger\chiar q q$	m_q/M_*^2
C2	$\chi^{\dagger}\chi \bar{q}\gamma^5 q$	im_q/M_*^2
C3	$\chi^{\dagger}\partial_{\mu}\chi\bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}q$	$1/M_{*}^{2}$
C4	$\chi^{\dagger}\partial_{\mu}\chi\bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5}q$	$1/M_{*}^{2}$
C5	$\chi^{\dagger}\chi G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$	$\alpha_s/4M_*^2$
C6	$\chi^{\dagger}\chi G_{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$	$i\alpha_s/4M_*^2$
R1	$\chi^2 ar q q$	$m_q/2M_*^2$
R2	$\chi^2 ar q \gamma^5 q$	$im_q/2M_*^2$
R3	$\chi^2 G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}$	$\alpha_s/8M_*^2$
R4	$\chi^2 G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$	$i\alpha_s/8M_*^2$

Goodman et al. (2010)

Translation of Limits on EFT operators

- Can be interpreted both in terms of mediator mass and in terms of DD cross section
- Relatively insensitive to underlying Lorentz structure (i.e. "axial-vector" or "pseudo-scalar" operators does not suffer from suppression)
- Strong limits in low mass region (where DD loses sensitivity)

Truly complementary to DD searches!



Interpreting results in EFT



Demanding self-consistency (i.e. truncation) results in very diluted limits!

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How to write a Simplified Model?



Simplified models with Fermionic DM

$$\mathcal{L}_{S} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} S \partial^{\mu} S - m_{S}^{2} S^{2} + \sum g_{s\chi\bar{\chi}} \bar{\chi}\chi S + \sum g_{sq\bar{q}} \bar{q}q S + \bar{\chi}(i\partial_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu} - m_{\chi})\chi$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{P} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} P \partial^{\mu} P - m_{P}^{2} P^{2} + \sum g_{s\chi\bar{\chi}} \bar{\chi}\gamma^{5}\chi P + \sum g_{sq\bar{q}} \bar{q}\gamma^{5}q P + \bar{\chi}(i\partial_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu} - m_{\chi})\chi$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{T} = \frac{1}{2} D_{\mu} T D^{\mu} T - m_{T}^{2} T^{2} + \sum g_{T\chi\bar{\chi}}(\bar{\chi}qT^{*} + \text{c.c.}) + \bar{\chi}(i\partial_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu} - m_{\chi})\chi$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{Z'} = \sum g_{Z'\chi\bar{\chi}}\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\chi Z'^{\mu} + \sum g_{Z'q\bar{q}} \bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}q Z'^{\mu} + \bar{\chi}(i\partial_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu} - m_{\chi})\chi + \text{gaugeterms}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{A'} = \sum_{\substack{q \in \chi_{\bar{\chi}} \\ \bar{\chi} \\ \bar{\chi$$

EFT to simplified models



Comparison of EFT with UV completion



- No obvious resonance in t-channel; but bad behaviour nonetheless due to slow decoupling of mediator
- Direct mediator search (a.k.a. squark search) has much higher reach.
- All viable t-channel mediated DM parameter space ruled out (for coupling to light quarks).

Looking for the mediator

ATLAS Exotics Searches* - 95% CL Upper Exclusion Limits

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 $\int \mathcal{L} \, dt = (3.2 - 37.0) \, \text{fb}^{-1}$ $\sqrt{s} = 8, 13 \text{ TeV}$ Deference

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Moral of the story (part 2)...

- Dark Matter EFT simple, but not very useful at the LHC
- Simplified models do better, but are strongly constrained by direct mediator searches; don't say much about dark matter because of ambiguity in coupling/ mass. (Maybe if we see a new resonance and can probe its line shape, i.e. calculate invisible width, we may do better but that is a long way away.)

What else can we do?

Classifying UV-complete DM models

New Symmetries New Fields	0	1 Mostly Z ₂ or U(1)
1	"Minimal DM"	Pure "Higgsino" or "Wino" Scalar singlet DM Inert doublet DM
2	t-channel charged scalar + fermionic DM	Singlet-Doublet (N,N+1 plet) DM Higgs Portal DM s-channel scalar mediator Dark Photon
3	??	Z' mediator (with new scalar) L-R models Hidden Valley models

Minimal ideas for Dark Matter

Dark Matter makes up ~20% of our universe; an EW scale particle (a.k.a. WIMP) seems to be a good fit

$$\begin{split} \Omega h^2 &\sim 0.1 \Rightarrow \langle \sigma v \rangle \sim 1 \text{ pb} \cdot c \\ &\Rightarrow m_{\chi} \sim O(10^2 - 10^3) \text{ GeV}; g \sim g_{\text{EW}} \end{split}$$



100 TeV collider?

Next-to-minimal DM

What about next-to-minimal scenarios?

- One SU(2) x U(1) singlet χ + one SU(2) N-plet ψ
- $\bullet \ \mathbb{Z}_2$ stabilises the lightest state

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm DM} = i \psi^{\dagger} \overline{\sigma}^{\mu} D_{\mu} \psi + i \chi^{\dagger} \overline{\sigma}^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \chi - \left(\frac{1}{2} M \psi \psi + \frac{1}{2} m \chi \chi + \text{h.c.}\right) + \mathcal{L}_{\rm quartic} + \mathcal{L}_{\rm mix}$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm quartic} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\kappa}{\Lambda} \phi^{\dagger} \phi \chi \chi + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\kappa'}{\Lambda} \phi^{\dagger} \phi \psi^{A} \psi^{A} \qquad \text{Strong limits from DD}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}} = \frac{\lambda}{\Lambda} \phi^{\dagger} \tau^{a} \phi \ \psi^{a} \chi + \text{h.c.} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \theta \approx \frac{\sqrt{2}\lambda v^{2}}{\Lambda(M-m)}$$

N=3	
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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}} = \frac{\lambda}{\Lambda^3} C_{A\,ik}^{j\ell} \phi^{\dagger i} \phi_j \phi^{\dagger k} \phi_\ell \psi^A \chi + \text{h.c.} \longrightarrow \qquad \theta \approx \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\lambda v^4}{\Lambda^3 (M-m)} \,.$$

Collider searches: Quintuplet model







Direct Detection constraints



- Look at parameters that gives right relic density
- Low mixing angle gives low DD cross section; however, not a problem at the LHC because production is primarily Drell-Yan!

Brümmer et al; arXiv:1703.00370 Brümmer, Bharucha, Desai; arXiv:1804.02357

Prompt search limits: SUSY searches



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Other limits: charged track searches



Rule out long-lived region i.e. when mass difference is smaller than pion mass

The CMS displaced lepton search

Validation



Combination of displaced lepton and charged tracks



Brümmer, Bharucha, Desai; arXiv:1804.02357

Limits on mixing angle



Provides a complementary lower limit on mixing

Stau Co-annihilation

CMSSM after Run I



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All of them in the stau co-annihilation strip!

Stau Co-annihilation strip after Run I



Lifetime of the stau



Long-lived; charged tracks

Not enough missing energy!

Doquiromont	Signal Region		
Requirement	2jW	3j	
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}[{\rm GeV}] >$	16	0	
$p_{\rm T}(j_1) \; [{\rm GeV}] >$	13	0	
$p_{\rm T}(j_2) \; [{\rm GeV}] >$	60)	
$p_{\rm T}(j_3) \; [{\rm GeV}] >$		60	
$p_{\rm T}(j_4) \; [{\rm GeV}] >$			
$\Delta \phi(\text{jet}_{1,2,(3)}, \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}})_{\mathrm{min}} >$	0.4		
$\Delta \phi(\text{jet}_{i>3}, \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}})_{\mathrm{min}} >$			
W candidates	$2(W \to j)$	_	
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}/\sqrt{H_{\rm T}} [{\rm GeV}^{1/2}] >$	-		
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}/m_{\rm eff}(N_{\rm j}) >$	0.25	0.3	
$m_{\rm eff}({\rm incl.}) \ [{\rm GeV}] >$	1800	2200	



Long-lived charged tracks



- Charged particle searches are specialised to take time of flight into account
- Fraction of staus that are stable on the detector scale decreases with increasing mass difference
- Run I limit on fully stable staus is ~550 GeV; since not all our staus exit the detector, we get a limit ~300 GeV.

ATLAS: disappearing track search



TABLE III. Numbers of observed and expected background events as well as the probability that a background-only experiment is more signal-like than observed (p_0) and the model-independent upper limit on the visible cross-section ($\sigma_{vis}^{95\%}$) at 95% CL.

	$p_{\rm T}^{\rm track} > 75 ~{ m GeV}$	$p_{\rm T}^{\rm track} > 100 ~{ m GeV}$	$p_{\rm T}^{\rm track} > 150 ~{ m GeV}$	$p_{\rm T}^{\rm track} > 200 ~{ m GeV}$
Observed events	59	36	19	13
Expected events	48.5 ± 12.3	37.1 ± 9.4	24.6 ± 6.3	18.0 ± 4.6
p_0 value	0.17	0.41	0.46	0.44
Observed $\sigma_{\rm vis}^{95\%}$ [fb]	1.76	1.02	0.62	0.44
Expected $\sigma_{\rm vis}^{95\%}$ [fb]	$1.42_{-0.39}^{+0.50}$	$1.05\substack{+0.37\\-0.28}$	$0.67\substack{+0.27 \\ -0.19}$	$0.56\substack{+0.23\\-0.16}$

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combining multiple searches



CMSSM Stau co-annihilation is (probably) dead



Coannihilation region not fully probed at 8 TeV; **we await 13 TeV data results in this Winter** to discover (or exclude!) the final part of the co-annihilation strip

Filling the gaps in DM searches

DM + s-channel mediator Dilepton, dijet, mono-jet, displaced vertices "squark" & "slepton" searches, DM + t-channel mediator (disappearing) charged tracks, displaced leptons jets+MET, di-lepton+MET searches, SU(2) n-plets mono-jet, mono-photon, (disappearing) charged tracks, displaced leptons Di-gamma, **ALPs** non-pointing photons Sterile Neutrinos, leptons+MET, Z/higgs+MET **Heavy Neutral leptons** displaced vertices, displaced leptons

Some LLP limits

ATLAS Long-lived Particle Searches* - 95% CL Exclusion

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*Only a selection of the available lifetime limits on new states is shown.

ARE WE MISSING SOMETHING?

Summary

- Long-lived particles predicted by many theories as a natural consequence
- LLP searches often have nearly zero background and can provide a clean signature
- If a model predicts LLPs, these searches are **more sensitive** than traditional searches
- **Co-annihilation partners** in DM models are often long-lived and can provide the first indications of signal
- Important to look at LLPs to cover full range of DM theory possibilities.