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INTRODUCTION TO DARK MATTER

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PART III COLLIDER SEARCHES



Remember DM annihilation in the early universe: $\langle \sigma v \rangle \approx 3 \times 10^{-26} \, {\rm cm}^3/{\rm s} \approx 1 \, {\rm pb}$

Expect sizable WIMP production rates at the LHC: $\sigma(pp \to X + E_T^{\text{miss}}) = \int ds \,\mathcal{L}_{ij}(s) \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(s)$

COLLIDERS AND DIRECT DETECTION

Collider searches help where direct detection is not sensitive:

• light dark matter

• pseudo-scalar or axial-vector interactions

mostly lepton interactions

Caution when relating results obtained at different energies:



TYPICAL LHC SIGNALS

[e.g., Kahlhoefer, 1702.02430]

In high-energy collisions, **mediators** are produced **resonantly**:

$$\sqrt{s} \sim 100 - 1000 \,\text{GeV}:$$
$$\frac{1}{m_{\eta}^2} (\overline{q}q)(\overline{\chi}\chi) \to (\overline{q}q) \frac{1}{s - m_{\eta}^2 + im_{\eta}\Gamma_{\eta}} (\overline{\chi}\chi)$$



Simple models and their collider signatures:

s-channel mediation t-channel mediation



should be gauge-invariant, unitarity-conserving, anomaly-free.
discrete Z₂ symmetry in dark sector makes DM stable.

MISSING ENERGY SEARCHES



mono-jet:mostly model-independentmono-Z,W:[Carpenter et al., 1212.3352]probe isospin-violating scenariosmono-Higgs:[Carpenter et al., 1312.2592]probe extended scalar sectors

 $\sigma(pp \to X + E_T^{\text{miss}}) \approx \sigma(pp \to X + \eta) \times \Gamma(\eta \to \chi\chi) / \Gamma_{\eta}$

Largest branching ratio for light dark matter: $m_{\chi} \ll m_{\eta}$

Standard-model sources of missing energy:

• from neutrinos, as in $Z \to \nu \bar{\nu}, W^{\pm} \to \ell^{\pm} \nu, t \to b \ell \nu$

• from missed decay products or detector deficiencies

MONO-X FROM EXTRA SCALARS









mono-Higgs: Jacobian peak from resonant A



MEDIATOR SEARCHES

Probe mediator-SM interaction in precise observables:





 q, γ, ℓ di-jet, di-photon, q, γ, ℓ di-lepton production

virtual effects in Higgs couplings



TOP-ASSOCIATED PRODUCTION

Flavor-hierarchical scalar interactions

$$\mathcal{L} = g_S^{\chi} \,\overline{\chi} \chi \, S + g_S^q \, \frac{m_q}{v} \,\overline{q} q \, S$$

naturally lead to dominant effects in top-quark observables:



ONE OR TWO TOPS?



Signal strength that can be excluded at 95% CL:



HIGGS PORTAL DARK MATTER



 $(H^{\dagger}H)$ is a standard-model singlet. χ is part of a dark sector. Z_2 symmetry $\rightarrow \chi$ stable.

Renormalizable portal interactions:

[Patt, Wilczek, hep-ph/0605188]

Scalar $\chi = S$: $\mathcal{L} = (S^{\dagger}S)(H^{\dagger}H)$ Vector $\chi = V_{\mu}$: $\mathcal{L} = (V_{\mu}V^{\mu})(H^{\dagger}H)$

[e.g. O'Connell et al., hep-ph/0611014]

[e.g. Hambye, 0811.0172]

Effective portal interaction through mediator(s):

Fermion:
$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \frac{g_S}{\Lambda} (\bar{\chi}\chi) (H^{\dagger}H) + i \frac{g_P}{\Lambda} (\bar{\chi}\gamma_5\chi) (H^{\dagger}H)$$

DIRECT COLLIDER PROBES



$$(\chi\chi)(H^{\dagger}H) \supset v(\chi\chi)h$$

 $H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2}G^{+} \\ v+h+iG^{0} \end{pmatrix}$

Distinguish signals by (non-)resonant Higgs production:

- $2m_{\chi} < M_h$: invisible Higgs decays
- $2m_{\chi} > M_h$: off-shell Higgs processes

LHC SENSITIVITY TO FERMION PORTAL



From global analysis of Higgs observables:

 $\mathcal{B}(h \to ext{invisible}) \lesssim 30\%$ [Atlas & CMS] sets strong bound on DM-Higgs coupling for $2m_{\chi} < M_h$

THERMALLY PRODUCED DARK MATTER

Thermally averaged annihilation cross section:

 $\langle \sigma_A v \rangle_{th} = 3 \times 10^{-26} \mathrm{cm}^3 \mathrm{s}^{-1} \approx 1 \,\mathrm{pb}$



Collider bounds $(2m_{\chi} < M_h)$: $g_S \ll g_{ew}$: $\langle \sigma_A v \rangle \ll \langle \sigma_A v \rangle_{th}$

Observed relic abundance only at resonance: $2m_{\chi} \approx M_h$

Annihilation and nucleon scattering through same process: strong bound from direct detection $g_S <<< g_{ew}$

THE END?



Need light mediators for thermally produced Higgs-portal dark matter.

UV-COMPLETE PORTALS



similar to SUSY: bino-higgsino

[Arkani-Hamed, Delgado, Giudice, hep-ph/0601041]

higgsino-wino

MAJORANA SINGLET-DOUBLET MODEL

Weyl fermions $\chi_D \sim (2, 1/2), \ \chi_D^c \sim (2, -1/2), \ \chi_S \sim (1, 0)$:

$$\mathcal{L}_m \supset m_D \chi_D^c \epsilon \chi_D - \frac{1}{2} m_S \chi_S \chi_S - y (H^{\dagger} \chi_D \chi_S - \chi_S \chi_D^c \epsilon H) + \text{ h.c.}$$

Mixing through electroweak symmetry breaking:

$$\chi_l^0 = \sin \theta \chi_D^0 + \cos \theta \chi_S, \quad \chi_h^0 = \cos \theta \chi_D^0 - \sin \theta \chi_S$$

Singlet dark matter



Doublet dark matter χ_h^0





small mixing with doublet

$$\theta \sim \frac{yv}{m_D - m_S}$$

Higgs and gauge couplings



Nucleon scattering: Higgs mediation suppressed for $\chi_l^0 \approx \chi_s$. Z mediation absent.

Relic abundance: $\chi_l^0 \longrightarrow W^+$ $\chi_l^0 \longrightarrow Z$ $\chi_l^0 \longrightarrow Z$ $\chi_l^0 \longrightarrow Z$ $\chi_l^0 \longrightarrow Z$ $\chi_l^0 \longrightarrow W^ \chi_l^0 \longrightarrow Z$ $\chi_l^0 \longrightarrow Z$ $\chi_l^0 \longrightarrow Z$ $\chi_l^0 \longrightarrow Z$

Pair annihilation suppressed, need co-annihilation.

$$m_l^0 \gtrsim 100 \,\mathrm{GeV}, \ m_D - m_l^0 \lesssim 30 \,\mathrm{GeV}, \ 0.01 \lesssim y \lesssim 0.1$$



DOUBLET DARK MATTER

lightest state is pure doublet

loop-induced splitting $m^{\pm} - m_m^0$

Higgs and gauge couplings





Nucleon scattering: No spin-independent interaction at tree level.

Relic abundance:



Strong co-annihilation with charged state.

 $m_m^0 \gtrsim \text{few TeV}; m_l^0, y \text{ variable}$

MEDIATOR SIGNALS AT THE LHC

 $m_D - m_l^0 \lesssim 30 \, {
m GeV}$: soft leptons and missing energy



Similar to SUSY electroweakino and slepton signals.

[Giudice et al., 1004.4902][Gori, Jung, Wang, 1307.5952][Schwaller, Zurita, 1312.7350][Porod et al., 1705.06583]

Vector boson fusion might be complementary.

[Dutta et al., 1411.6043] [Berlin et al., 1502.05044]

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