



## LHC Dark Matter Searches: Results and Perspectives

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## **Dark Matter Madness**

- Strong evidence of physics beyond the Standard Model
- We know very little about the nature of DM (gravitational interaction but what else?)
- If DM talks to SM particles (eg WIMPs) we can detect it via...





Increasing interest in dark matter (DM) searches at the LHC

- Complementary strategies to direct detection and spectral data
- High hopes to find evidence of DM production for Run-2!

## The LHC @ CERN

## Run-1 a huge success for the LHC!







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## **Interpretations of searches**

#### Even a successful search at the LHC won't tell us...

- ♦ What is DM (fermion (dirac/majorana?)
- $\diamond$  It's even the same as what's seen in galaxies (~stable for detector != stable)?
- $\diamond\,$  Is any of these the right one



## **Mono-Mania**

#### DM particles produced in p-p collisions escape the detector without interacting.

Search for an abundance of events with an imbalance of energy in the plane transverse to the beam line ...  $E_T^{miss} = |-\sum \vec{E}_T^n|$ 

$$\vec{E}_T^n = E^n \cos \theta \cos \phi \cdot \hat{i} + E^n \cos \theta \sin \phi \cdot \hat{j}$$

Look for additional particles recoiling against DM particles.

Provides a rich assortment of  $X + E_T^{miss}$  searches at the LHC...

$$\begin{array}{l} \diamondsuit \\ \text{Jet} + \mathbf{E}_{T}^{\text{miss}} \\ \diamondsuit \\ \text{W/Z} ( \rightarrow \text{leptons/jets}) + \mathbf{E}_{T}^{\text{miss}} \\ \diamondsuit \\ \gamma + \mathbf{E}_{T}^{\text{miss}} \\ \diamondsuit \\ \text{t/b} + \mathbf{E}_{T}^{\text{miss}} \\ \diamondsuit \\ \text{H} + \mathbf{E}_{T}^{\text{miss}} \end{array}$$



Of course, all RP-SUSY searches are DM searches but not the focus of this talk

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## **Invisible Standard Model**

#### Common enemies shared by many of the searches for DM

Neutrinos escape detection to mimic a DM signal!

Most common are Z decays to neutrinos and leptonic W decays where the lepton falls outside of the acceptance or isn't reconstructed.



Relatively large cross-sections for these processes mean backgrounds are sizable compared to real signals.

## **Invisible Standard Model**

Z→vv W→lv Signal Region ν Lost µ/e Extrapolate yields/shapes in well understood control regions CR) in data to constrain backgrounds in signal region (SR) **Data Control Regions**  $\rightarrow$  Transfer Factors (TF) taken from simulation/theory used for extrapolation: eg BR( $Z \rightarrow vv$ )/BR( $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ) µ/e μ/e μ/e In CRs, calculate "Fake"  $E_t^{miss}$  (recoil)  $\rightarrow |\vec{E}_T^{miss} + \sum \vec{p}_T^{ll/\gamma}|$ 

## **Invisible Standard Model**

Compare the predictions with the data in the CRs  $\rightarrow$  Maximize likelihood to obtain corrected prediction for backgrounds in signal regions



Simultaneous likelihood used in several places instead of simple `count and scale approach'

# and CMS Detectors

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## **Dark Cameras**

**EM Calorimeter** 

61 200 (EB) / 7 324 (EE)

Lead tungstate (PbWO4 ) crystals

CMS Tracker

Pixel + Silicon strip ~50% of Photons convert



Hadron Calorimeter Scintillating Brass Exploit jets from VBF production

ATLAS/CMS triggers reduce 40 MHz (LHC)  $\rightarrow$  O(100) Hz

High multiplicity from multiple interactions (pile-up)

 $\rightarrow$  Need trigger which remain efficient within this restriction

Hermetic design of ATLAS and CMS provides good coverage of interaction

→ Several layers of detector targeting different final state particles

 $\rightarrow$  Vital for searches with missing energy



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## Monojet

#### High-momentum jet, from initial state radiation (ISR), recoils against DM

- $\diamond$  1 central jet with high p<sub>T</sub> > 110 GeV (CMS), > XXX GeV (ATLAS)
- ♦ Additional jets allowed only if  $\Delta \phi(j, E_T^{miss}) > 1.0$  (ATLAS)
- ♦ 2<sup>nd</sup> jet allowed provided if  $\Delta \phi(j_1, j_2) < 2.5$  (CMS)
- $\diamond$  Veto leptons, photons

Dominant backgrounds from  $Z(\nu\nu)$ +jets and  $W(l\nu)$ +jets  $\rightarrow$  Estimate the contributions with data using  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu/ee$ and  $W \rightarrow \mu\nu/e\nu$  events



Define signal regions with increasing  $E_T^{miss}$ thresholds  $\rightarrow$  Model independent crosssection limits





## **Di-jet (CMS Razor)**

### Additional jets produced in association with DM particles

- Additional information from second jet allows for good discrimination against SM backgrounds (W/Z/tt)
- ♦ Fit "Razor-variable"

$$M_R \equiv \sqrt{(|\vec{p}_{J_1}| + |\vec{p}_{J_2}|)^2 - (p_z^{J_1} + p_z^{J_2})^2}$$

$$M_{\rm T}^{\rm R} \equiv \sqrt{\frac{{\rm E}_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}(p_{\rm T}^{\rm J_1}+p_{\rm T}^{\rm J_2})-\vec{\rm E}_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}\cdot(\vec{p}_{\rm T}^{\rm J_1}+\vec{p}_{\rm T}^{\rm J_2})}{2}}$$

In 4x bins of  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{R}}$ 

- ♦ bb and b tagged bins target scenario where DM preferentially couples to b-quarks [1]
- Backgrounds estimated from μμ(b)+jj
  or μμ(b)+tt control regions in data
- $\diamond$  Complementary search to Monojet



#### CMS-PAS-EXO-14-004

[1] Phys.Lett.B697:412-428,2011

## Interpretations

#### Set limits in low-energy effective field theory

- ♦ Consider various operators
- $\diamond$  Set (lower) limits on contact interaction cut-off scale  $\Lambda pprox M/\sqrt{g_q g_\chi}$
- Compare limits for different coupling scenarios truncating or requiring 80% threshold on number of EFT valid events



## **Mono-V (leptonic)**

#### Associated production of DM with a W or Z (V) boson

Smaller production cross-section but also lower backgrounds than jets final state.



#### $W(Iv) + E_T^{miss}$

- ♦ 1 isolated, high- $p_T$  lepton
- ♦ Backgrounds from W/Z production decays with lepton out of acceptance.
- ♦ Discrimination from transverse mass variable

$$M_T = \sqrt{2p_T^l E_T^{miss} (1 - \cos\Delta\phi)}$$



### $Z(II) + E_T^{miss}$

- ♦ Look for 2 opposite-charge, same-flavor leptons
- ♦ Invariant mass consistent with Z boson  $|m_{\parallel}-m_{Z}| < 10 \text{ GeV}$ (CMS), 76 <  $m_{\parallel} < 106 \text{ GeV}$  (ATLAS)
- $\diamond~$  Look for excess in  $E_{T}^{miss}$  (ATLAS)  $/m_{T}$  (CMS) spectrum



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## **Mono-V (Hadronic)**

Low  $p_T W$  or Z bosons decay to well separated jets (fully reconstructed)

Look at mass and pT of the dijet system to distinguish backgrounds.

#### Exploit jet/di-jet properties:

- ♦ Quark-gluon likelihood discriminator
- ♦ Jet-pull (color flow between jets) [1]
- ♦ "Mass-drop" [2]

Use photon CR with photon as 'fake'  $E_t^{miss}$  to dramatically reduce statistical uncertainty on **Z(vv)+jets** backgrounds





## Mono-V (Hadronic)

#### Boosted (high $p_T$ ) vector bosons decaying to jets will form a single "fat"-jet

Jet substructure techniques to identify V-bosons:

- $\diamond$  Look for high-p\_T fat jet with  $\textbf{m}_{J}$  close to  $m_{W}$  or  $m_{Z}$
- N-subjettiness (τ<sub>N</sub>) (likelihood for N-daughter hypotheses, CMS) or momentum balance (ATLAS) of lead jets to tag as having originated from a W or Z boson.
- $\diamond$  Cut in (CMS) or fit to (ATLAS) the **m**<sub>J</sub> spectrum.
- ♦ Use (di)-lepton and photon CR to determine W(I) and Z(vv) bkgs





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## $H \rightarrow Invisibles$

If DM is massive then  $DM \leftarrow \rightarrow SM$  mediated via the **Higgs boson** (Higgs portal Models\*)





#### **Gluon-fusion**

Dominant production but low acceptance after kinematic selection: >0 jets, large  $E_T^{miss}$ as in monojet search



- Look for pair of charged leptons / b-quarks consistent with Z decay
- $\diamond$  V(had)+E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup> also targets this mode

Smaller x-section (~10x less than ggF) but Large S/B ratio (~70%!)

- Search for two jets with large η-separation and large invariant mass
- $\diamond$  Robust counting analyses in  $E_T^{miss} / m_{ii}$  tails



## $H \rightarrow Invisibles$

Dedicated Higgs targeted analyses from ATLAS and CMS...



DM

## $H \rightarrow Invisibles$

#### Combine several searches and interpret as limits on decay



## **Mono-photon**

Typically smaller cross-sections but high- $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{T}}$  photon easy to trigger

 $\rightarrow$  Lower  $E_T^{miss}$  thresholds accessible

Select events with,

- ♦ One high energy, isolated photon,  $E_T$ >145/125 GeV (CMS/ATLAS)
- $\Leftrightarrow$  E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup> > 150 /140 GeV (ATLAS/CMS)
- ♦ Reject events with overlapping photon and  $E_T^{miss}$  ( $\Delta \varphi(\gamma, E_T^{miss})$ <0.4/2 ATLAS/CMS
- $\diamond~$  Largest backgrounds from Wy/Zy estimated from lepton CR
- $\Rightarrow$  y+jet background from MC validated with events inverting  $\Delta \phi$  (ATLAS) or correct using data-MC scale-factors (CMS)





## **Comparisons to Direct Detectors**



Translate EFT limits into upper limits on spin-dependent and spin-independent  $\chi$ -N cross-sections

 $\rightarrow$  Complementary to DD searches



## **Mono-Higgs**

### ATLAS H+ $E_T^{miss}$ with H $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

- ♦ Look for di-photon pair with photon  $p_T/m_{vv}$  > 0.35,0.25 GeV
- $\Leftrightarrow E_T^{miss} > 90 \text{ GeV}$
- $\diamond$  Unbinned fit to diphoton invariant mass  $\rightarrow$  bump hunt
- ♦ Peaking backgrounds from SM  $Z(\rightarrow \nu \nu)H$  and  $W(\rightarrow l\nu)H$
- Wγγ, Zγγ, γγ non-resonant backgrounds estimated from
  m<sub>γγ</sub>sidebands



#### arXiv:1506.01081 (Acc PRL)



## **Heavy Flavor**

### Scalar interactions with DM favor heavy-flavor quarks

- $\diamond$  Top-quark and bottom-quark coupling enhanced ( $\sim m_q$ )
- ♦ Searches for top-quark pairs recoiling against the DM particles

## $\rightarrow$ tt+E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>



- ♦ One lepton + at least 1 b-tagged jet (CMS) or semi-leptonic / all hadronic + b-tags (ATLAS)
- $\Rightarrow E_T^{\text{miss}} > 320/300 \text{ or } 200 \text{ GeV} (CMS/ATLAS),$
- $\Rightarrow$  m<sub>T</sub> >160 GeV or R (razor) > 0.75 to remove W and tt backgrounds
- ♦ Normalize tt background from data CR

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## **Heavy Flavor**

### Several BSM models predict single top + $E_T^{miss}$

→ Consider resonant and non-resonant production modes

Leptonic (ATLAS) and hadronic (CMS) final states explored ...

**ATLAS**: two categories based on  $m_{\tau}$  and angle between lepton and b-jet.





**CMS**: Two categories defined with/without b-tagged jet



## Moving on (LHC DM forum)

**EFT interpretation** useful as a benchmark for sensitivity and comparison to DD, However, validity break-down where LHC can reach mediator mass-scale



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#### arXiv.org > hep-ex > arXiv:1507.00966

High Energy Physics – Experiment

#### Dark Matter Benchmark Models for Early LHC Run-2 Searches: Report of the ATLAS/CMS Dark Matter Forum

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This document is the final report of the ATLAS-CMS Dark Matter Forum, a forum organize experts on theories of Dark Matter, to select a minimal basis set of dark matter simplified searches. A prioritized, compact set of benchmark models is proposed, accompanied by s of generator implementations. This report also addresses how to apply the Effective Field such interpretations.

- Study of production cross-sections and kinematics of mediator models with different final states
- ATLAS + CMS + Theorists collaborate to produce agreed set of minimal benchmark simplified models to be considered in early Run-2 DM searches



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## CMS monojet + mono-V

### CMS 8TeV shape-analysis\* simplified model interpretations



\*CMS-PAS-EXO-12-055 - monojet+mono-V(had)



- ♦ Scan mediator and DM masses
- ♦ Fix couplings to  $g_{SM} = g_{DM} = 1$
- Mediator width (Γ) fixed under minimal width assumption (only SM and 1 DM candidate contribute)
- ♦ Compare to constraints from relic DM density



## **Mono-Higgs**

#### ATLAS analyses interpreted under simplified models...



## **Prospects for Run-2 and Beyond**



## Run-2 has begun!

### First collisions @ 13 TeV have been recorded!

- $\diamond~$  Commissioning  ${\bf E_T}^{miss}$  and other variables looks promising
- Main backgrounds (Z/W/tt) are crucial to understand for DM searches.
- Differential cross-sections measurements of these processes help understand backgrounds in tails (eg pT, jet multiplicity..)





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## More boost objects at 13 TeV



## **The search continues**

### Heavy flavour + E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup> searches at 13 TeV are already progressing well

- $\diamond$  Good agreement between simulation and the new data
- $\diamond$  Can expect many more as the data comes

ATL-EXOT-2015-007



## Summary

#### Wide variety of searches for DM at the LHC

- Mono-mania (X+E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>) searches are simple yet powerful tools to look for DM production at ATLAS and CMS
- ♦ Interpretation of the data under EFT models
  → useful for comparing sensitivities between searches and direct detection
- Already looking to the use of simplified models to provide benchmarks suitable for the LHC

#### Run-2 is in progress!

- ♦ Data-taking and analyses are in full swing many expected to supersede Run-1 in the first year
- The all important E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup> looking good with the new data!
- More boost @ 13 TeV will require more use of sub-structure techniques
- DM is an exciting topic for Run-2 at the LHC, exciting times ahead!



## **Thank you!**





# Let's hope we will find it in here!

## **BACKUP SLIDES**

# Effective operators describing DM-SM interaction (Effective Field Theory, EFT)

- Scalar/Vector (spin-independent, SI)
- Pseudo-scalar/Axial-vector (spin-dependent, SD)

### Only 2 parameters

- Interaction scale  $M^* = M_{med}/\sqrt{(g_X g_q)}$
- DM mass M<sub>X</sub>

Name	Initial state	Type	Operator
C1	qq	scalar	$\frac{m_{\bar{q}}}{M_*^2}\chi^{\dagger}\chi\bar{q}q$
C5	gg	scalar	$\frac{1}{4M_*^2}\chi^\dagger\chi\alpha_{\rm s}(G^a_{\mu\nu})^2$
D1	qq	scalar	$\frac{m_q}{M_\star^3} \bar{\chi} \chi \bar{q} q$
D5	qq	vector	$\frac{1}{M_*^2} \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q$
D8	qq	axial-vector	$\frac{1}{M_{\star}^2}\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^5\chi\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma^5q$
D9	qq	tensor	$\frac{1}{M_{\star}^2} \bar{\chi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \chi \bar{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q$
D11	gg	scalar	$\frac{1}{4M_\star^3}\bar\chi\chi\alpha_{\rm s}(G^a_{\mu\nu})^2$

Validity issue for high transferred momentum, Q<sub>tr</sub>: Q<sub>tr</sub>>M<sub>med</sub>

 Truncation techniques: account for the fraction of events not satisfying this assumption

A. de Cosa (LHCP 2015)



### **Monojet Selections**

### CMS

#### Selection highlights [CMS, EPJC75 (2015) 235]

- Leading jet: p<sub>T</sub>>110 GeV and |η|<2.4</p>
- A second jet is allowed (to account for other jets from ISR)
  - p<sub>T</sub>>30 GeV and |**η**|<4.5</li>
  - must be close to the 1st jet:  $\Delta \phi$ (j<sub>1</sub>, j<sub>2</sub>)<2.5
    - This requirement suppress dijet QCD events
- Event with more than 2 jets selected with same criteria as the trailing jet are discarded
  - This suppress ttbar and QCD multijet events
- Lepton veto (including hadronically decaying taus)
  - suppress W/Z production, dibosons, top-quark decays
  - Isolated leptons: I(∆R=0.4)/pT < 0.2
- Signal regions: 7 inclusive regions of E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>
  - E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup> >250/300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550 GeV

### ATLAS

#### Selection highlights [ATLAS, EPJC (2015) 75:299]

- $\blacktriangleright$  At least one jet with p\_>30 GeV and  $|\eta|{<}4.5$
- $\blacktriangleright$  Leading jet with p\_>120 GeV and  $|\eta|<\!\!2.0$ 
  - p<sub>T</sub>/E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>>0.5
  - Δφ(j1, E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>)>1.0
    - reduces multijet bkg
- Lepton veto (also on isolated tracks)
  - suppress W/Z production, dibosons, top-quark decays
  - Isolated leptons:  $Iso(\Delta R=0.4)/p_T < 0.2$
- Signal regions: 8 inclusive regions of E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>
  - ET<sup>miss</sup> >150,200, 250, 350, 400, 500, 600, 700 GeV



Similar to CMS EFT interpreted result



### CMS Monojet+mono-V (EXO-12-055)

Simultaneous multi binned likelihood fit to 3 Control Regions (photon, muon, dimuon) (example, monojet category)





**CMS** Razor

Categorise events based on MR variable





Table 2: Definition of the event categories based on the  $M_R$  value, the muon multiplicity, and the output of the CSV b-tagging algorithm. For all the samples,  $R^2 > 0.5$  is required.

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Sample	b-tagging selection	M <sub>R</sub> selection	
	no CSV loose jet	$200 < M_R \le 300 \text{ GeV} (VL)$	
04 14 and 24		$300 < M_R \le 400 \text{ GeV}$ (L)	
0 <i>μ</i> , 1 <i>μ</i> , and 2 <i>μ</i>		$400 < M_R \le 600 \text{ GeV} (H)$	
		$M_R > 600 \text{ GeV} (VH)$	
0µbb	$\geq$ 2 CSV tight jets		
0µb	=1 CSV tight jets		
1 <i>µ</i> b	> 1 CSV tight jets	$M_R > 200 \; GeV$	
2µb	≥ i cov ugitt jets		
Z(μμ)b	$\geq$ 1 CSV loose jets		

Events with >2 reconstructed jets are included by forming 2 "megajets" (sum jet 4momenta) to calculate Razor variables B-tagging brings sensitivity in scalar/pseudoscalar models



#### V/A Comparison to Direct Detectors



#### ATLAS mono-b search

Single b-tagged category  $\rightarrow$  search sensitive to b-FDM model



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#### **Comparison of mono-V analyses**



Improved sensitivity in models interference in couplings to up/ down quarks



not particularly favoured model since potentially violates gauge invariance\*

\*arxiv.org/abs/1503.07874

