Searches for DM with CMS



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DM Evidence and Different Approaches

CMS

- Strong astrophysical evidence for the existences of dark matter
 - Rotation curve
 - CMBR spectrum
 - Gravitational lensing
- Nature of DM is still unknown
 No direct observation yet
- LHC a prime lab for production of DM in pp collision
 - Can probe a variety of DM/SM interactions







From EFT to Simplified Models



• Very early searches were mostly from EFT



 $\Lambda = M/\sqrt{g_{\chi}g_{q}}$

• Simplified models to interpret results

- DM particle is Dirac fermion
- Pair produced via massive mediators (vector, axial-vector, scalar, pseudo-scalars)
- Minimal set of parameters: M_{DM}, M_{MED}, g_q, g_{DM}
- Mediator has minimal decay width
- **Complementarity of Direct Detection(DD) vs Collier searches**
- **•** ATLAS-CMS Dark Matter Forum
 - Recommendations for: couplings, models parameters



DM Candidate and This talk

- DM Features (assuming it has *particle origin*)
 - DM has to be neutral
 - Must be stable
 - Right abundance is required, sets constraints on its mass and other parameters
- Main focus on few benchmark/latest results
 - Mono-jet Search (Benchmark Search)
 - Higgs Portal for DM
 - Dark Photon
 - Mediator Searches
 - Dijet
 - Dijet+ISR γ/jet (boosted/merged)
- A complete list is at:
 - <u>https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsEXO</u>





Various DM Searches at LHC



Typical Signature: Large MET+X



DM Searches at LHC: Analysis Steps

Trigger on Events:

- DM leave no signature in detector
 - Trigger: On ISR γ/jet, H, W/Z....
- **Backgrounds:**
 - Specific to channel
 - e.g. $Z(\nu\nu)$ +jets, $W(l\nu)$ +jets with lost lepton...many more
 - Instrumental
 - faulty detector sector, experimental environment
 - SM background with mis-measured missing transverse energy
 - e.g. QCD multi jet, inclusive γ

Control Regions(CRs):

- Similar behaviour of background but negligible signal
- Multiple CRs to targets different background
 - Transfer factors (from simulation) to link different regions
- Simultaneous binned likelihood fit
 - Constrained uncertainties, robust limits/results





Mono-jet/V: Benchmark Analysis at LHC



DM

DM

Well known backgrounds

- Z(vv)+jets, instrumental, reducible e.g., W+Jets

- A lot of state-of the art theoretical work
 - NLO EW and QCD correction to V+jets
- Advance analysis techniques using SR and CRs simultaneous fits
 - Reduced uncertainties



Mono-jet/V Search: Results





Complementarity with DD and ID



Collider experiment and DD

- SI (Vector mediator) is competitive
 for DM mass < 5 GeV and
- SD (Axial Vector mediator) is DM

Collider experiment and ID

- For pseudoscalar limits are
 - competitive below ~150 GeV

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t/tt +MET: Simplified HF + DM Model

Search strategy is to look for excess in MET spectrum in All Hadronic (AH) and Single Lepton (SL) signal region

- Events are categorised based on N_b=1 (t+DM), >1 (tt+DM)
- MET > 250 (AH), 160 (SL)
- $N_{jet} >= 3$ (AH), 2 (SL)
- >=1 forward jets

Six SRs: Simultaneous optimisation of various variables in these regions





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DM Search: Higgs Extended Sector and Invisible Decay

• Higgs can decay directly to DM particles

- in association of $W\!/Z$
- VBF channel
- Mono-Higgs Searches
 - **bb**/ $\gamma\gamma/\tau\tau$ +**MET**
 - ZZ/WW +MET
- Three different model focussed here:
 2HDM, 2HDM+a and Baryonic Z'



2HDM + a pseudo-scalar



Z'- 2HDM





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DM Search: 2HDM+ a



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• Extension of 2HDM model

- Analysis based on h(bb)+MET final state
- Main Backgrounds:
 - VH, $Z \rightarrow vv$
 - W+jets, ttbar, single top

0.5 TeV< M_z'<1.09 TeV for M_a = 150 GeV

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DM Search: Z'-2HDM





DM Search: Z' Baryonic



• Combination of h decays

- bb, $\gamma\gamma$, $\tau\tau$, WW, ZZ
- Orthogonality of analyses make combination feasible
- h(bb)+MET dominates in search region





DM Search: Higgs → **Invisible**



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- Search exploits M_{jj} and Δη(jj) that characterised VBF Higgs boson production
- Main backgrounds for VBF
 - Z(vv)+jets, W(lv)+Jets
- 2016 data analysis of ZH and ggH channel are combined with VBF
- Fit to M_{jj} distribution is performed including SRs



Higgs decay to DM

directly

DM Search: Higgs → **Invisible**





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Dark Photon: ZH Channel



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• Probing a Higgs portal model with Dark Sector

- $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma_d$ where γ_d is massless dark photon
- M_T of photon-MET system is used as discriminating variable
 - Relatively clean state



Limit on BR < 4.6% at 95% CL for SM H(γ + Inv.) Channel



Dark Photon: Higgs VBF Channel





Events / GeV

Mediator Search: Dijet Resonance Search

- Mediator can be looked without DM production
 - Mediator coupled to initial states
 - Constrained on couplings(gq) for a given DM mass
 - Dilepton searches are also possible if mediator couples to leptons
- Re-interpretation of Dijet resonance search for new physics
- Scouting analysis (in recent times)
 - Low level trigger threshold
 - Only limited information about event



Low and High Mass Diet Searches

• ISR jet/ γ allows to search low mass region



CMS Summary Plots

- Typical trigger threshold on ISR jet is few hundred GeV
- Scouting further allows us to go lower masses,
 - Typically boosted regime
- A lot of theoretical and experimental work on jet substructure techniques



Spin-0 Mediator: Search Summary





Spin-1 Mediator: Search Summary









- Extensive and broad DM search program at the CMS experiment
 - Apart from conventional search channels (like mono-jet, monophoton, mono-Z etc.) CMS has also looked new interpretation and new combination from various channel
 - Top and Higgs are being explored in association with DM production
 - Dark Photon and t-channel searches taking shape
 - New DM search channels in events with Leptoquark production (not covered here)
- No evidence of DM at LHC yet but stay tuned for:
 more new results of full Run-2 data, and
 near future from Run-3!!



