LHC Impact on DM searches

Complementarity between collider and direct searches for DM

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Outline

Introduction (complementarity of DM searches)

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Dark Matter signals at the LHC
(missing E<sub>T</sub>, jets, etc...)
Particular example: SUSY
LHC potential reach
SUSY WIMPs (neutralino + sneutrino) and eWIMPs
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Direct Detection experiments are necessary

Combination with LHC data and determination of WIMP properties

A final note on identification of WIMP DM

- Good dark matter candidates must fulfil a number of requirements
- Neutral
- Stable on cosmological scales
- Reproduce the correct relic abundance
- Not excluded by direct or indirect searches
- No conflicts with BBN or stellar evolution

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- Axions
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Detection of Dark Matter



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Complementarity of DM searches

• We are attacking the DM in various fronts:



• Most of the experiments nowadays are mostly sensitive to the scalar (spinindependent) part of the WIMP-nucleon cross section

DAMA/LIBRA (based on NaI) claims a potential dark matter signal

Other experiments (XENON10, CDMS and CoGeNT) have not yet confirmed any WIMP in the DAMA region (maybe very light WIMPs?)

The current sensitivity and future predictions will allow to explore models for particle dark matter.

Need to compare with theoretical predictions for WIMP models



• Direct detection experiments may allow to determine some WIMP properties in a model-independent way

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Through the study of the energydependence of the detected rate the WIMP mass and cross section might be determined

(see, e.g., A.M. Green '07;'08)

E.g., detection of a 120 GeV WIMP (courtesy of M. Fornasa)



HOWEVER, DIFFERENT THEORETICAL MODELS CAN REPRODUCE THE SAME SIGNAL

• The neutralino can be within the reach of present and projected direct DM detectors

Large cross section for a wide range of masses

Very light **Bino-like** neutralinos with masses ~10 GeV (Bottino, Donato, Fornengo, Scopel `04-'08)

> Bayesian analyses show preference for regions within the reach of CDMS and Xenon

(Roszkowski, Ruiz de Austri, Trotta '08)

A frequentist approach may favour different regions

(Buchmüller et al. '09)



• Different predictions from the MSSM (extensions with extra U(1) are also possible)

The detection cross section can be larger (through the exchange of light Higgses)

(D.G.C., E. Gabrielli, D.López-Fogliani, A.Teixeira, C.Muñoz ´07)

Very light **Bino-singlino** neutralinos are possible

(Gunion, Hooper, McElrath '05)

And their detection cross section significantly differs from that in the MSSM

(CoGeNT '08)



RH-Sneutrino DM overview

• Even different SUSY WIMPs are possible: (Right-handed) sneutrinos in the NMSSM.



KK dark matter

• The Lightest KK particle (LKP) is also a good dark matter candidate in Universal Extra Dimensions models



⁽Arrenberg et al.'08)

Dark Matter signals at the LHC

LHC will probe new Physics at the TeV scale

Most of the models for DM appear in extensions of the SM at that scale

The LHC is back!

Plans to run at 7 TeV until 2011 and then there are plans to try to go for 14 TeV



Will probe new Physics at the TeV scale Higgs boson, SUSY, Extra Dimensions... Dark Matter?



Exploring the nature of Physics at the TeV scale

Understanding the origin of EW symmetry breaking

Probing the scale at which (thermal) DM is created





• Direct production of DM (pp \rightarrow XX)



Potential problems in measuring missing E_{τ} :

- Energy loss due to uninstrumented regions of the detector or dead cells
- Noisy channels in calorimeter (e.g., hot cells)
- Mis-measurements in calorimeters or muon detectors (e.g. escaping muons)
- Mis-identified cosmic rays

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Problematic: does not leave a good signal (no hard energy deposition for detectors to trigger upon)

We might not be able to test directly the DM couplings to SM matter (problem for estimating the relic abundance)

MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO TAKE A MODEL INDEPENDENT APPROACH.

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850 ĩ, 800 750 Supersymmetric E.g., in 700 theories dominant production 650 will be in 600 550 (GeV) $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ $\tilde{q}\,\tilde{q}$ $\tilde{g}\tilde{q}$ 500 450 mass A.H+ 400 350 These heavy particles 300 subsequently decay into lighter 250 ones and finally into the LSP 200 150 100 50 LCC3 spectrum

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The background for this kind of processes is smaller in the SM (especially for large lepton multiplicity)



Estimation of the SM background for 4 jets + n leptons

LHC reach in the SUSY parameter space (example CMSSM – A, M, m, $tan\beta$, μ)



(see e.g., Ellis, Ferstl, Olive)

LHC (at its best) might be able to probe the SUSY parameter space with

$$m_{\tilde{g}} \sim 2 - 3 TeV$$

Depending on the topology of the event





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However, similar decay chains can correspond to very distinct WIMPs (LSPs)



The study of some kinematical variables M(T2) can help determining the spin of the particle

(Cho, Choi, Kim, Park '09)

Less standard signatures of DM (model dependent but useful to discriminate theories)

• Invisible Higgs decays (decays into DM or extra particles from the DM model)



• Displaced vertices



EXAMPLES OF NEW PHENOMENOLOGY WITH SNEUTRINO DM

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Colliders could also be sensitive to other DM models

E.g. SuperWIMPs such as gravitino (or axino) DM might lead to long-lived charged particles.



Long-lived stau NLSP

Might get constraints on cosmological parameters (e.g., reheating temperature) from estimations of NLSP relic abundance.

(see e.g., Covi, Roszkowski, Ruiz de Austri '08)

A final word of caution... Can LHC **DISCOVER** dark matter?

• A "stable" particle at the LHC does not imply stability in Cosmological scales

How can we test it is the DM?

Calculate its relic abundance (possible to some extent if the spectrum is measured)
 The uncertainty can be large (more than 1 order of magnitude)

Is it compatible with the WMAP result?

- Yes Cross-check with other experiments
- No Non-thermal dark matter?
 Non-standard Cosmological history?
 Subdominant component of dark matter?

Confirmation from other source of experiments (e.g., Direct Detection) is crucial.

Combination with Direct Detection

LHC might be unable to determine whether DM has been detected

Confirmation from other experiments is needed (e.g., Direct Detection)

Combination of DD and LHC data can help determining the DM properties (Bertone, Cerdeño, Fornasa, Trotta, de Austri – in preparation) • Direct detection experiments may allow to determine some WIMP properties in a model-independent way

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Variations in the halo model can also lead to a misreconstructed cross section



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Some masses can be accurately determined through the study of kinematical endpoints

Even the mass difference between the LSP and NLSP could be accurately reconstructed

However... the neutralino composition might not be determined!



• Using hypothetical LHC data, we have tested the reconstruction of the relic abundance



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This leads to a large uncertainty when attempting to reproduce the relic density

More importantly, fitting the LHC data can lead to the occurrence of several maxima

This uncertainty leads to an indetermination of the scattering cross section



• The combination of LHC data with Direct Detection data can resolve the degeneracy

Finally, we assume a positive signal in a direct detection experiment

Using the theoretical predictions of our benchmark point (LCC3) we simulate a number of events with a given energy distribution



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The reconstruction of the relic abundance has a similar accuracy but spurious maxima disappear (Bertone, Cerdeño, Fornasa, Trotta, de Austri – in preparation)



A final note on WIMP Identification

Direct detection experiments alone might also provide information about the nature of the WIMP

Combination of spin-dependent and spin-independent searches

• The interaction of a generic WIMP with nuclei has several contributions

These can be understood at the level of the effective Lagrangian describing the interaction of WIMPs and quarks, e.g., for a fermionic WIMP (as the neutralino)

 σ_{WN} Axial-Vector (J+1) $\mathcal{L} \supset \alpha_a^A(\bar{\chi}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5\chi)(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu\gamma_5q)$ SPIN-DEPENDENT (Nucl. Angular mom) Scalar $\mathcal{L} \supset \alpha_a^S \bar{\chi} \chi \bar{q} q$ \mathbf{A}^2 SPIN-INDEPENDENT (Nucleon #) Vector $\mathcal{L} \supset \alpha_q^V \bar{\chi} \gamma_\mu \chi \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q$ A^2 Only for non-Majorana WIMPs SPIN-INDEPENDENT

Discriminating Neutralino vs LKP

• The predictions from neutralino dark matter and KK dark matter have a different distribution in the SI-SD cross-section plane



(G.Bertone, D.G.C., J.I.Collar, B.Odom '07)

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Using then a second detection fluid, C_4F_{10} , with lower sensitivity to spinindependent couplings, reduces the number of allowed models.

The sneutrino (scalar) has no spin-dependent coupling

Conclusions

DM searched with various strategies (LHC, Direct, Indirect)

Raising the hope of a detection in the future (or already detected?)

LHC will probe new physics at the TeV scale

Thereby being sensitive to many DM models

Cannot determine on its own the detection of DM

LHC and Direct (and Indirect) detection are COMPLEMENTARY

Probing more models of DM and discriminating among them

Probe non-standard cosmologies?

Allowing to determine the properties of the DM halo?

Event rate for WIMP direct detection

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• Particle Physics input WIMP-nucleus cross section

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