A Novel Beam Dump Experiment at CMS

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Introduction



- General dark sector search at the LHC \bullet
- Light dark sector mediator
- How to go sub-Gev? \bullet
- Collider search has limits on the mass and \bullet parameter space
- A Novel Beam Dump Experiment at CMS can ulletexplore a unique parameter space
 - Energetic particles lacksquare
 - Short detector distance \bullet
 - 4 π coverage detector
 - Enormous particle flux \bullet





- The search for dark matter has expanded to include the exploration of the dark sector
- The dark sector provides a framework for new particles and interactions
- The dark sector can solve Standard Model puzzles

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Dark Sector







Dark Sector Portal

- The dark sector is very weakly coupled with new states via a portal interaction
- Higgs portal, vector portal, ALP portal, neutrino portal ...





Dark Sector Research at the LHC

- The LHC is a Higgs factory
- Higgs portal
 - A simple extension of the Standard Model
- Energy frontier experiment
- HL LHC









Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) Detector





Beam Dump Experiments

- Background
 - MeV scale
 - The dark sector portal has very weak interactions
 - \Rightarrow Intensity frontier experiments e.g. beam dump experiment



- Larger coupling (short lifetime)
- Significantly boosted
 Short detector distance
- Short detector distance



A Novel Beam Dump Experiment at CMS

- In the CMS calorimeters, a huge number of photons, electrons, and charged mesons are created
- It means there are many collisions → still these collisions are the source of the new physics
- Yes, we can do a beam dump experiment!
- A general search for the dark sector





Beam Dump Experiments

Beam Dump

- Low energy beam ~ 1–100 GeV
- High intensity beam ~ 10²⁰–10²³/year
- Long distance detector ~ 0.5 1 Km
- Narrow solid angle



CMS Beam Dump

- 14 TeV collision
 - Energetic photons
 - The total production of photons is enormous
- 4 π coverage detector
- Short distance detector ~ 0.1 m
- Cover other parameter space





CMS Muon System



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DT



cτ: 2–8 m



*cτ***: 0.1–2 m**



- Axion: clean up the strong CP problem
- ALP (Axionlike particle): similar properties of Axion but pseudoscalar particle



In particular, we focus on the search for ALP mediators related to photons

 $\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4} g_{a\gamma} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$



Primakoff Process



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ALP decay 3m 4m a Photon **ΔΙ Ρ** 7 mm aSuperconducting Solenoid **Primakoff process**



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₄ 10¹⁷

⊲ 10¹⁶

entries

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ECal

2

Total 1.1×10^{19} photons

Photon Distributions

 $\sqrt{s} = 13.6 \text{ TeV}, 500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$





Theoretical Expect

Expected 90% CL limits



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Signal simulation

- How to implement the new concept of physics process in the calorimeter and muon system simulation
- Trigger
 - How to make dedicated triggers

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Challenges



Signal Simulation

- Signal simulation is important
 - To understand the signal feature
 - Reconstruction efficiency
- Regular simulation chain
 - Collision event generator → detector simulation → reconstruction
 Input any new physics models
 Common configuration part
- New beam dump experiment simulation chain
 - Collision event generator → detector simulation → reconstruction

ALP Primakoff process and decay





- Define signal features \bullet
 - Photon and electron efficiency in muon chambers
 - Geant4 and Garfield simulation lacksquare
 - Extremely displaced dimuon reconstruction efficiency
- Estimate backgrounds \bullet
 - Hadron
 - Neutron gas
 - Muon shower

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Signal and Background



- Why is the trigger important?
 - LHC bunch crossing happens every 25 ns (40 MHz)
 - The recording capability is 1KHz
- CMS Trigger
 - Level1 Trigger (100 KHz): latency ~4 μs
 - High Level Trigger (1 KHz): latency ~300 ms
- How to improve
 - ML FPGAs, hardware accelerator reconstruction, and data scouting (a new trigger paradigm)

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Trigger

CMS has a 2 tier trigger system











New Trigger Research



- Trigger requirement \bullet
 - Signal event signature: electron, photon, and **jet** + muon system hits
 - Machine Learning FPGAs
- Trigger efficiency
 - Detector efficiency
 - Segment efficiency

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Background:

- Dark sector

ALP (Pseudoscalar) Portal

Primakoff process Compton-like process Nuclear reactions

Detection: Photon, electron, and muon in the muon system

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Other Models

Anomalies: ATOMKI, muon g-2, MiniBooNE excess, and CDF W mass

Higgs Portal Vector Portal Scalar Portal Dark photon Portal Neutrino Portal

Meson decay **Bremsstrahlung Drell-Yan SM Neutrino**

CMS beam dump experiment + collision search (Higgs portal) covers a large mass range of 1 MeV to 60 GeV Hyunyong Kim

Summary

- The dark sector is very weakly coupled with new states via a portal interaction
- LHC search has limits on the mass and parameter space
- General search for the dark sector is feasible within the context of LHC experiments using a beam dump-like experiment
- A novel concept of beam dump experiments at CMS
- Theoretical expectations suggest that the CMS beam dump experiment can explore a unique parameter space

Primakoff Process

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In particle physics, the Primakoff effect, named after Henry Primakoff, is the resonant production of neutral pseudoscalar mesons by high-energy photons interacting with an atomic nucleus. It can be viewed as the reverse process of the decay of the meson into two photons and has been used for the measurement of the decay width of neutral mesons.

Primakoff Process

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A generic model where the ALP field can couple to a photon as described by interaction terms in the Lagrangian of the form

 $\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}g_{a\gamma}aF_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$

 $\frac{\partial^2 \sigma_P}{\partial \theta_a' \partial \phi_a'} = \frac{g_{a\gamma}^2 \alpha}{8\pi} \frac{p_a^4}{a^4} \sin^3 \theta_a' F^2(q)$

