

# Sensitivity of LHC searches to IDM via Recasting with CheckMATE2

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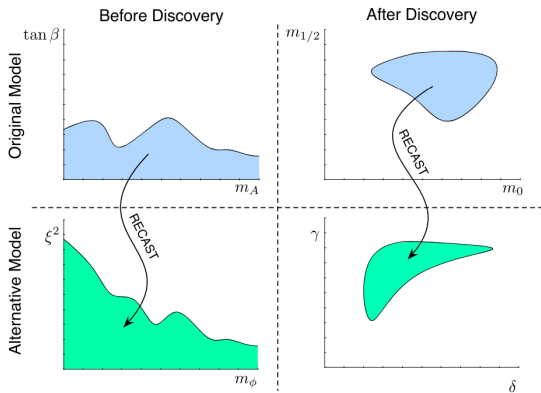
## General motivation behind Recasting

- Dark matter remains one of the most elusive aspects of nature and SM of particle physics fails to provide an answer.
- Over past decades many models for DM beyond SM have been proposed by theorists, testable at the current and future collider experiments.
- Any such search analysis is extremely time and resource consuming.
- Ideally, a search *could be* sensitive to a broader class of models : central idea of *Recasting*.
- What impact does an existing analysis designed to probe one hypothesis have on an alternate signal hypothesis?

## Why is it so powerful?

- One can reuse the background estimation as well as systematic uncertainties from the original search as well as observed data.
- One does not require to design event selection criteria.
- Only input that is required from the user, is the signal events.

# A Schematic representation



Taken from *JHEP 04 (2011) 038*

# The Caveat

- The experimental searches currently aim towards constraining a limited number of NP models.
- In reality the search invariably optimizes its analysis strategy, on the basis of some particular model, mostly driven by the simplicity and/or popularity of a model.
- Naturally the search will be most sensitive to the interesting regions of those particular models.
- It does *not* necessarily make the search insensitive to every other model at our disposal.

- In many cases the search *can be* insensitive to *other* models.
  - 1 The signal rates in an alternative model is too low.
  - 2 If the kinematical cuts optimized for one model cut off interesting regions of another model.
- We demonstrate such a scenario through the recasting of a ATLAS DM search, optimized for **2HDMa** to **IDM**.

## Quick comparison between the two models

### 2HDMa:

- 2HDM + pseudoscalar
- CP-even neutral scalars  $h, H$ , charged scalar  $H^\pm$  and two CP-odd scalars  $A, a$ .
- Fermionic DM candidate  $\chi$ .
- Relatively relaxed direct detection bound due to pseudoscalar portal mechanism.

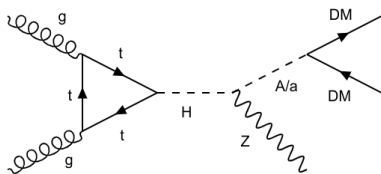
IDM has less free parameters and more predictive power compared to 2HDMa.

### Inert Doublet Model:

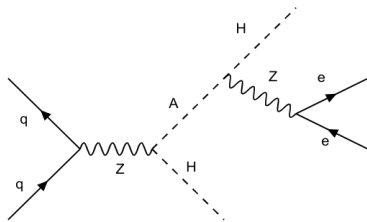
- 2HDM with 0 vev for one doublet, unbroken  $Z_2$  symmetry
- CP-even scalar  $h$ , charged scalar  $H^\pm$ .
- Scalar DM candidate  $H$  or  $A$ .
- stringent constraints from DD, observed relic.

# Recasting $l^+l^- + E_T$ using full run-2 data ( $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

2HDMa:



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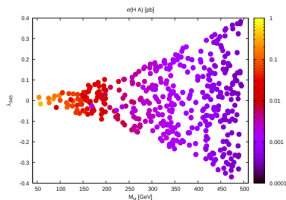




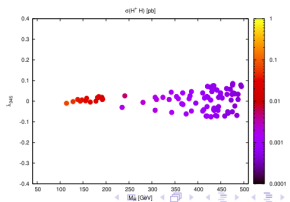
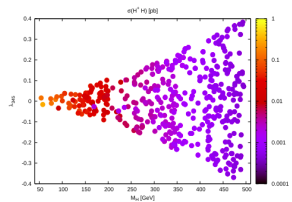
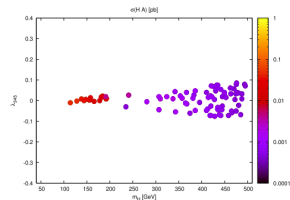
# Allowed parameter space of IDM

Updated constraints [LUX-ZEPLIN] [arXiv:2207.03764]

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Tania Robens

Inert Doublet Model: News

New physics in the LHC era, 23.4.24



## ATLAS Analysis cuts

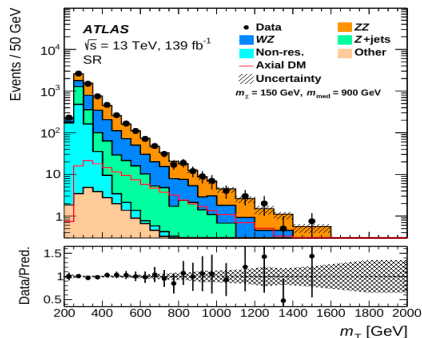
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Final discriminant is  $m_T$  shape-fit.

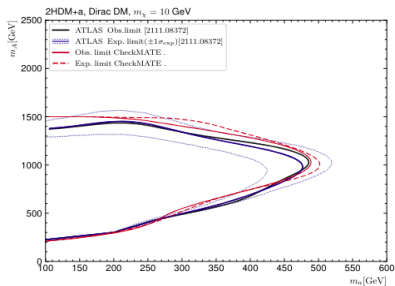
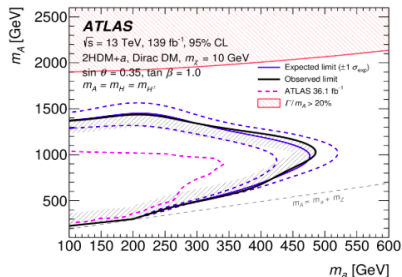


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- CheckMATE is a general tool for recasting arbitrary model
- Accepts events as .hepmc, .lhe; integration with Pythia and MadGraph
- based on Delphes for detector simulation
- using existing LHC searches calculates a limit on a given parameter point
- From SLHA file to the limit in one click
- one can easily constrain models that were not covered in the original ATLAS/CMS search
- currently more than 40 searches at 13 TeV coded, including 14 with full luminosity
- long-lived particles branch
- <https://checkmate.hepforge.org/> and <https://github.com/CheckMATE2/checkmate2>

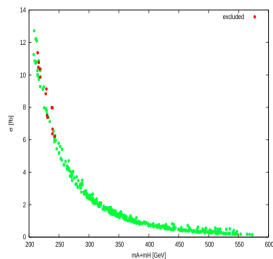
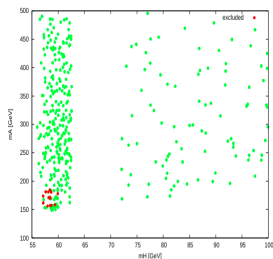
# Validation with CheckMATE2



Constraint from [ATLAS Collaboration, Phys.Lett.B 829 \(2022\) 137066](#) and validation within CheckMATE courtesy [I. Lara](#).

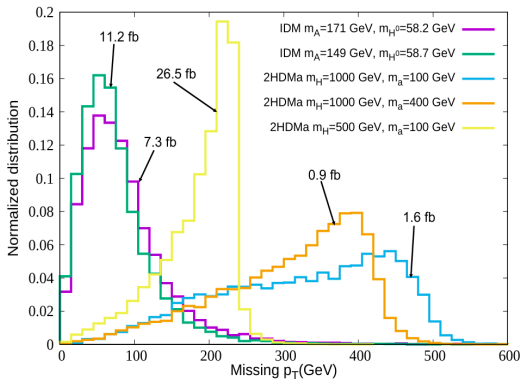
## After Recasting with CheckMATE2

The major contribution comes from  $pp \rightarrow HA$  production. But there are contributions  $\lesssim 20\%$  from other diagrams (e.g. Higgs-strahlung with Higgs invisible decay). A contribution from  $H^\pm A$  production with hadronic  $W$  also included.



Scanned points taken from [Phys.Rev.D 93\(2016\)5,055026](#) Ilnicka, Krawczyk, Robens and later updated with new results.

# Comparison of kinematics



2HDMa benchmarks shown here are all excluded, and IDM benchmarks are allowed.

## Summary

- Our aim is to recast existing LHC searches to Inert Doublet model using CheckMATE2.
- Di-lepton+MET search from LHC is optimized in the context of 2HDM+pseudoscalar model.
- And we see that the search is *not* very sensitive to IDM in the regions that are allowed from the dark matter observations as well as theoretical and experimental constraints.
- The major reason behind this being very different kinematics in the two models.
- We would like to draw the attention of the experimentalists to the scenario, for LHC Run-3.
- We are also looking into soft leptons + MET final state as well as VBF production of Higgs boson decaying invisibly.



## Back-up : Number of free parameters and constraints

The Model has 5 free parameters once  $v$  and  $m_h$  is fixed.

$$M_H, M_A, M_{H^\pm}, \lambda_2, \lambda_{345} = \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \lambda_5$$

**Theoretical Constraints:** Positivity of the potential, vacuum stability, perturbativity

**Experimental Constraints:** Total width of  $h, W, Z$ , electroweak precision observables namely  $S, T, U$ , Higgs signal strength measurement, direct search for heavy scalars, reinterpreted/recasted LHC/LEP SUSY searches, dark matter relic density and direct detection constraints.