# **Physics potential of beam dump experiments at future accelerators**

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### Hight intensity experiments are needed to search for Sub-GeV dark states



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Detection of dark state signatures produced by beam-target collision

[My talk's focus]

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### $\sim$  (# of produced DS)  $\times$  (Probability DS reaches detector)  $\times$  (Probability DS is detected)

∝ (Length of detector)×(*ϵe*) 2

※ **Detector cannot be too near** because large beam dump or shield is needed to reduce beam-induced BG

### High flux beam, near※ and large detectors are suited for recoil search















#### Detector/Decay volume

Beam

### ・Typical setup:

# **Visible decay search (1)**



Beam

#### Detector/Decay volume

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#### Acceptance



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### Thick(Thin) target experiments can be sensitive to long(short) lifetime dark states

※ In thin target experiments, e.g, HPS, NA64(visible decay search), continuous beam(low-intensity) is used to distinguish signal signatures

### **Missing energy/momentum signal processes**

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Missing energy search, e.g., NA64:

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EM and hadron calorimeter, i.e., active target

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**Tracker** 

Thin target Tracker EM and Hadron calorimeter





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### EM





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※ Target is thin to reconstruct final state electron



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EM





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Missing momentum search, e.g., LDMX:



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# **Missing energy/momentum signal processes**

EM



![](_page_141_Figure_2.jpeg)

※ Energy transfer to nucleus is modest in Bremsstrahlung process

• # of missing events:

Missing momentum search, e.g., LDMX:

![](_page_141_Figure_8.jpeg)

※ Target is thin to reconstruct final state electron

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 (*#* of produced DM)

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# **Missing energy/momentum signal processes**

![](_page_142_Figure_2.jpeg)

※ Energy transfer to nucleus is modest in Bremsstrahlung process

• # of missing events:

 $\ast$  not proportional to  $(\epsilon e)^2$  in contrast to recoil and visible search

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Missing momentum search, e.g., LDMX:

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### Acceptance

![](_page_142_Picture_12.jpeg)

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• # of missing events:

Missing momentum search, e.g., LDMX:

※ Target is thin to reconstruct final state electron

### Acceptance

 $R$  (ches detector)  $\times$  (Probability DM is detected)

 $2^2$   $\cdot$   $\cdot$  not proportional to  $(\epsilon e)^2$  in contrast to recoil and visible search

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 $\mathscr{L}$   $\supset$   $\epsilon e A'_{\mu} J^{\mu}_{EM} - g_D A'_{\mu} \bar{\chi} \gamma^{\mu} \chi$
Missing energy search, e.g., NA64: Missing momentum search, e.g., LDMX:

# **Missing energy/momentum signal processes**

Acceptance is good, but the continuous beam(low-intensity) is needed to reconstruct final state



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• # of missing events:

※ Energy transfer to nucleus is modest in Bremsstrahlung process

∝ (Beam flux)×(*ϵe*) 2

#### Acceptance

 $\sim$  (# of produced DM)  $\times$  (Probability DM reaches detector)  $\times$  (Probability DM is detected)

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EM



# **Outline**

- ・Introduction
	- dark sector and Sub-GeV dark matter
	- beam dump(fixed-target) experiment
- ・Key features of beam dump experiment
- ・A classification of beam dump experiment
- ・Sensitivity of beam dump experiments at future accelerators
- ・Summary
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DM annihilation cross section

# **Excluded regions by beam dump experiments (1)**

 $\cdot$  Benchmark model (1):  $\mathscr{L} \supset \epsilon \cdot eA'_\mu J_{\text{EM}}^\mu - g_D A'_\mu \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi$  where  $A'$ : dark photon, and  $\chi$ : DM



*χ* saturates observed DM abundance

# **Excluded regions by beam dump experiments (1)**

- $\Rightarrow$  parasitic running of neutrino experiment
	- ※ MiniBooNE is off-target running to reduce neutrino BG

## Proton beam



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## **Sensitivity of beam dump experiments at future accelerators (1)**



Proton beam

- LDMX is highly sensitive because of good acceptance
- ILC is sensitive because of high energy positron annihilation
- DUNE-PRISM(off-axis detector) is more sensitive than DUNE(on-axis detector) because of neutrino BG reductions

Examples of BD at future accelerators

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※ FLArE is LHC auxiliary detector experiments in HL-LHC phase









# **Excluded regions by beam dump experiments (2)**

• Benchmark model (2):  $\mathscr{L} \supset \epsilon \cdot eA'_\mu J_{\text{EM}}^\mu$  where  $A'$ : dark photon





### where  $A'$ : dark photon

- ILC can be sensitive to small *ϵ* because of positron annihilation

- AWAKE and muon-BD can be sensitive to large  $\epsilon$  because of

- REDTOP is  $\eta$  meson factory and can perform prompt decay search(sensitive to large  $\epsilon$ )

※ FASER2 is LHC auxiliary detector experiments in HL-LHC phase





## **Sensitivity of beam dump experiments at future accelerators (2)**

• Benchmark model (2):  $\mathscr{L} \supset \epsilon \cdot e A'_\mu J_{\text{E}}^\mu$ 

Examples of BD at future accelerators

# **Summary**

beyond the SM

- $\Rightarrow$  The beam dump experiments are economical and would also run with future accelerators,
- $\Rightarrow$  High energy and high flux beams in the future accelerator lead to high sensitivity of the parasitic
- ・Regarding the dark sector search, the physical potential of the beam dump experiment depends on various factors, e.g., beam flux, beam energy, beam particle, acceptance, detection approach,…
- $\cdot$  The beam dump experiment tandems with the future accelerators and potentially sheds light on the









- ・Key features of beam dump(fixed target) experiments:
	- The beam dump experiment is high luminosity experiment sensitive to Sub-GeV scale  $\Rightarrow$  The physical potential is complemental to the other experiments, e.g., collider experiments, direct detection experiments
	- The beam dump experiment can run in parallel with accelerator-based experiments

e.g., HL-LHC, ILC, and muon collider.

beam dump experiments