# Colored Dark Sectors at (HL-)LHC and FCC

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#### Introduction: Thermal Dark Matter

- How to explain the Dark Matter relic density?
- Assume thermal equilibrium DM DM  $\leftrightarrow$  SM SM
- *m*<sub>DM</sub> and the DM-SM coupling determine the relic density
- ► Heavier DM mass ⇒ Larger annihilation rate



How heavy can the Dark Matter be in generic models?

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- The relic density and collider bounds on strongly coupled coannihilation are model-independent!

#### The models

- ▶ Dark Sector: X and DM, protected by a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetry
- $SU(2) \times U(1)$  effects neglected  $\Rightarrow$  DM is a SM singlet
- X is a triplet, sextet or octet of SU(3)
- X and DM are scalars, vectors or fermions
- For this talk...keep the spin fixed, vary the color:

$$DM_F + X_{F3}$$
  $DM_F + X_{F6}$   $DM_F + X_{F8}$ 

- Only interaction(s): XXg (XXgg)
- Not a viable theory of Dark Matter yet...

#### The DM-X interaction

- Necessary for X decay and chemical/thermal equilibrium
- Negligible for (co)annihilation and collider studies
   *Use effective operator!*

$$\mathcal{L} \propto \frac{C_{ijk}}{\Lambda^n} \mathrm{DM} \, \mathrm{X}_i \, \mathrm{SM}_{1j} \, \mathrm{SM}_{2k}$$

- Introduced for models with scalar and fermion X
- $\blacktriangleright$  Mediator out of the reach of the LHC/FCC  $\Rightarrow$   $\Lambda = 10/50$  TeV
- ► SM<sub>1</sub> and SM<sub>2</sub> chosen to be quarks or gluons ⇒ Weakest possible collider bounds (soft jets)

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{DM}} + \mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{X}} + \mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{DM}+\mathsf{SM}}$$

#### Constraints

"Model-independent" constraints

- ► Relic density requirement Annihilation through XX→ qq̄, gg
- LHC/FCC searches
   Pair-production of X

Constraints on the  $\mathsf{DM}\,\mathsf{X}\,\mathsf{SM}_1\,\mathsf{SM}_2$  interaction

X decay rate

Avoid long-lived particle searches at colliders

Chemical/Thermal equilibrium
 Ensure conversion of DM into X before freeze-out

#### Lifetime – LHC



- ► X decay rate only depends on  $m_{\text{DM}}$  and  $\Delta = \frac{m_{\text{X}} m_{\text{DM}}}{m_{\text{DM}}}$
- Long-lived X strongly constrained by LHC R-hadron searches
- Exclude (m<sub>DM</sub>, Δ) for which at least one particle travels through the beam pipe d<sub>beam</sub> ~ 2.5 cm at a given luminosity
- ► Constant upper bound on the mass splitting,  $m_{\rm X} - m_{\rm DM} \gtrsim 20$  GeV for  ${\rm DM_F} - {\rm X_{F6}}, {\rm X_{F8}}$  at 3 ab<sup>-1</sup>

#### Lifetime - FCC-hh



- ► X decay rate only depends on  $m_{\text{DM}}$  and  $\Delta = \frac{m_{\text{X}} m_{\text{DM}}}{m_{\text{DM}}}$
- ► Large boosts at FCC-hh ⇒ significant improvement of the reach of the R-hadron searches
- Exclude (m<sub>DM</sub>, Δ) for which at least one particle travels through the beam pipe d<sub>beam</sub> ~ 2.5 cm at a given luminosity
- ▶ Upper bound on the mass splitting, m<sub>X</sub> m<sub>DM</sub> from 50 to 150 GeV for X<sub>F8</sub> at 3 ab<sup>-1</sup>

### Thermal equilibrium



- $\Gamma(DM \leftrightarrow X)$  must be larger than the Hubble rate at freeze-out
- Weaker than the X lifetime constraints for most of our models
- $\blacktriangleright$  Non-trivial constraints at large  $\Delta$  for loop-suppressed operators, such as in  $DM_S-X_{F3}$

#### Relic density



• Dominated by  $X\overline{X} 
ightarrow q ar{q}, gg$  annihilation cross sections

• Depends only on  $m_{\rm DM}$  and  $\Delta = \frac{m_{\rm X} - m_{\rm DM}}{m_{\rm DM}}$ 



What about non-perturbative effects?

#### Sommerfeld effect and bound state formation



- Long-range interactions caused by gluon exchange
- Strongest effects at low velocity Coulomb interaction between initial states

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# Results: $X_F - DM_F$

- Strong Sommerfeld corrections for most models
- Negligible non-perturbative effects for DM<sub>F</sub> - X<sub>F3</sub>
- Upper bound on the DM mass of up to 10 TeV!
- Lifetime of X  $\Delta \gtrsim 0.5\%$



### Lifetimes: $X_{F8} - DM_F$

- Strong boosts + large
   X<sub>F8</sub> production rates
   ⇒ huge improvement
   compared to HL-LHC!
- Searches for LLPs will be crucial to understand coannihilating DM models at FCC
- Complementary work: reintroduce the mediator...



# **Collider Searches**



- ▶ 1,2 hard jets +  $\not\!\!\!E_T$  + soft jets
- *m*<sub>X</sub> dependence through the production rate
- Weak ∆ dependence for multijet searches
- ► At low ∆: traditional monojet signature ATLAS 3.2 fb<sup>-1</sup> [arXiv:1604.07773], CMS 12.9 fb<sup>-1</sup> CMS-PAS-SUS16-06
  - Hard cuts on  $\not \in_T$  and first jet  $p_T$
  - Extra jets tolerated under certain conditions
- $\Delta > 2\%$ : multijet searches..."monojet-like" channel ATLAS 13.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> ATLAS-CONF-2016-078, CMS 12.9 fb<sup>-1</sup> CMS-PAS-SUS16-014
  - Hard cuts on  $\not \in_T$  and first jet  $p_T$
  - Mild cuts up to the 4th extra jet

# Results – (HL-)LHC



▶ From current to 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup> with *no systematics* 

- With current systematics, no dependence in the luminosity
- Optimal limits around 1 TeV Very weak dependence in  $\Delta$

# Combined constraints (LHC) – $\rm X_{F8} - \rm DM_{F}$

- $\blacktriangleright$  Current constraints  $\Delta \lesssim 10\%$
- Optimal constraints  $\Delta \lesssim 8\%$
- Upper bound around
   7 TeV from relic
- The LHC mass reach is far too low...what happens at higher CM energy?



### Combined constraints at FCC-hh – $\rm X_{F8} - \rm DM_{F}$

- Use Snowmass search for compressed gluinos
   Cohen et al, [arXiv:1311.6480]
- FCC-hh could probe the full parameter space of colored dark sector models!
- "Very compressed region"  $\Delta \lesssim 0.5\%$ : excellent motivation for LLP searches even if the mediator is resolved...



# Conclusion

- Coannihilation with a strongly interacting particle is the simplest mechanism to loosen the bounds on thermal Dark Matter models
- ► Generically, self-annihilation of X with strong couplings will drive the Dark Matter depletion ⇒ model-independent bounds can be derived!
- Upper bounds on the DM mass pushed from a few TeV up to more than 10TeV
- $\blacktriangleright$  The LHC can probe all the way down to  $\Delta \sim 10\%$  for all models
- FCC-hh can cover all the remaining region
- Searches for long-lived particles are complementary to the jets + ∉<sub>T</sub> searches and will be crucial in covering the high mass/low Δ region

#### Combined constraints – $\rm X_{F3}$ – $\rm DM_{F}$

- Current constraints  $\Delta \lesssim 8\%$
- $\blacktriangleright$  Optimistic constraints  $\Delta \lesssim 4\%$
- Upper bound at 2 TeV from X lifetime
- The LHC selects a "wedge" in the parameter space



### The DM X $SM_1$ $SM_2$ interaction

Choose the lowest possible dimensionality

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{DM}_{\mathrm{F}}+\mathrm{X}_{\mathrm{F3}}} &= \frac{1}{\Lambda^{2}} \epsilon_{kij} \left( \bar{\psi}_{k} \psi_{\mathrm{DM}} \right) \left( \bar{d}_{R,i} u_{R,j}^{\mathsf{C}} \right) \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{DM}_{\mathrm{S}}+\mathrm{X}_{\mathrm{C3}}} &= \frac{1}{\Lambda} \epsilon_{kij} \left( S_{\mathrm{DM}} S_{k} \right) \left( \bar{d}_{R,i} u_{R,j}^{\mathsf{C}} \right) \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{DM}_{\mathrm{S}}+\mathrm{X}_{\mathrm{F3}}} &= \frac{1}{16\pi^{2}\Lambda^{2}} T_{ij}^{\mathsf{a}} S_{\mathrm{DM}} \left( \bar{d}_{R,i} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi_{j} \right) G_{\mu\nu}^{\mathsf{a}} \end{split}$$

- Operators involving gluons are loop-suppressed
   *Choose quarks over gluons whenever possible*
- $\blacktriangleright$  Most suppressed operator:  $DM_{\rm S}{+}X_{\rm F3}$  (loop factor + dimension 6)

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{DM}} + \mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{X}} + \mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{DM}+\mathsf{SM}}$$

# Results: $X_3 - DM_S$

- *m*<sub>DM</sub> ≤ a few TeV for triplet models
- Color stronger than spin due to non-perturbative effects
- Non-trivial lifetime and equilibrium constraints for loop-suppressed effective operators

