

Searches for Dark Matter and Dark Energy in jet+ E_T^{miss} Final States Using the ATLAS Detector

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Monojet



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Introduction - Monojet Overview

Final state with at least 1 energetic jet & high E_T^{miss} . Can arise from Initial State Radiation (ISR) which doesn't require a jet to interact directly with BSM, hence a large range of BSM is probed.





- Larger ISR statistics than other mono-X searches (α_s ≫ α_{EW}).
- Main background $Z(\nu\nu)$ + jets, 56%.

Strategy

- Control Regions (CR) measure backgrounds to model them in Signal Region (SR).
- MC is normalized by data in the CR, using a global fit that includes systematics.
- 2.4% background uncertainty on total events in SR (lower at low E_T^{miss}).
- Published model dependent & independent limits (WIMPs, squark pair production, extra dimensions, scalar dark energy).



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- ADD has massive graviton modes escaping into extra dimensions.
- T-channel model has no resonances and monojet limits are dominant.

New Dark Energy (DE) Model [JHEP (2019): 142]

- First collider probe of DE [PhysRevD.94.084054] along with $t\bar{t} + E_T^{miss}$
- Scalar field (ϕ) couples to gravitation & matter, producing small Λ .
- Two classes of operators: invariant & not-invariant under $\phi \rightarrow \phi + c$.
 - Shift symmetric operators (SSO) produce stable scalar particles.
 - 9 SSO, the 2 leading order of which have been considered.



• Non SSO are also phenomenologically rich & produce long lived particle signatures which have not yet been considered.

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New DE Model Limits [JHEP (2019): 142]



In addition to direct production in colliders, the model investigated is phenomenologically rich in other areas:

- Galileons/CMB, Grav.waves: $\mathcal{L}_7, \mathcal{L}_8$ [PhysRevLett.119.251303 (2017)]
- Chameleons/Atom interferometry: $\frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}_{6,1} + \mathcal{L}_{10,1} + \mathcal{L}_{11,1}$ [JCAP (2015)]
- Symmetrons/Torsion pendulum: $-\frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}_{6,1} \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}_{10,2} + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}_{11,2} \frac{1}{4!}\mathcal{L}_{11,4}$ [PhysRevLett.110.031301 (2013)]

A close combination of many different fields can therefore help constrain the overall phase space of this model.

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Future [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-043]

- With HL-LHC ATLAS is expected to collect 3000fb⁻¹ of data by 2036, greatly enhancing the monojet discovery potential.
- Improvements to theoretical systematics also greatly enhance discovery potential.
- Further optimizing the monojet analysis strategy can enhance discovery potential.



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Conclusion

- New monojet analysis paper published with 2015+2016 data. [JHEP (2018): 126.]
- First collider probes of a dark energy model, with $t\bar{t} + E_T^{miss}$. [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-008] & [JHEP (2019): 142]
- Dark matter summary paper published alongside other search strategies. [JHEP (2019): 142]
- Further improvements to be made in the monojet analysis Future looks bright. [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-043]
- Push hard to constrain phase space for DM using full Run 2 data.

Backups



Backup Slides

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