Signatures of Majorana dark matter with t-channel mediators

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Simplified Model

- stay agnostic as to the fundamental interactions
- ► write down "simplified model" → use it as phenomenology generator

t-channel mediator

- Majorana fermion χ as dark matter
- χ singlet under SM gauge group
- interactions \rightarrow scalar mediator η
- Yukawa interactions with the fermions (up-quarks or top-quarks)

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = -f\bar{q}_{R}\chi\eta + \text{h.c.}$$

more general flavor structure possible \rightarrow Monika's contribution

 \blacktriangleright self-contained/UV-complete model \rightarrow explore connections with other observables

LHC pheno

Testing the Dark Sector

LHC is a mediator production machine



Production cross section at LHC



Note: figures for $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

- three production modes
 - QCD $\rightarrow \eta \bar{\eta}$ (up and top)
 - dark matter t-channel $u\bar{u}
 ightarrow \eta \bar{\eta}$ (no top pdf)
 - dark matter t-channel $uu \rightarrow \eta\eta$ (specific to Majorana dark matter)
- t-channel enhanced for sizeable Yukawa
- $\eta\eta$ enhanced by u-quark pdf

Signatures

- multi-jet + MET
- monojet + MET (mainly relevant in mass degenerate regime)
- top/bottom + MET

many searches relevant for t-channel models

Note: main production mode depends on simplified model parameters \rightarrow limits on simplified models with Dirac dark matter/simplified SUSY not directly translatable

Other observables

Scattering of DM off nucleons: light flavor



- tree-level interactions with light quarks
- contribution to SI scattering cancels at lowest order for Majorana DM with chiral interaction; expansion to higher order necessary

Drees, Nojiri 93

enhancement of interactions for small mass difference

Drees, Nojiri 93, Hisano, Ishiwata, Nagata 2011

$$\sigma_{SD(SI)} \sim \left[rac{1}{m_\eta^2 - (m_\chi + m_q)^2}
ight]^{2(4)}$$

Direct Detection versus the LHC



• for $\Delta m = \mathcal{O}(m_{\chi})$ limits on $\sigma_{SI} = 10^{-45} - 10^{-48}$

► Notice: for some mass range QCD production excluded ⇒ no contribution to dark matter allowed

Full combination of observables: thermal Dark Matter



Side remark: "No thermal WIMP"-region allows for conversion-driven freeze-out with distinct collider pheno Garny, Heisig, Lült, SV 17

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Conclusions

- rich collider phenomenology
- \blacktriangleright not just pheno-generator \rightarrow complete models
- intriguing interplay between direct detection, LHC and relic density

Backup

Scattering of DM off nucleons: heavy flavor



- ▶ no top-quarks in the nucleus → no tree level coupling
- loop induced dark matter nucleus coupling
 - gluon box Drees, Nojiri '93
 - Higgs triangle Ibarra, Pierce, Shah, SV '15



Conversion-driven freeze-out

