# Dark Matter searches with the ATLAS detector



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#### **Timelines and dataset**



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#### **Dark Matter**

Strong evidence of existence of DM from the astronomical observations

No direct observation of DM so far

DM searches through collider experiments provide great complementarity to the direct and indirect searches

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Theoretical SM Mediator Complete  $g_{SM}$  $g_{\chi}$ SM Theories χ complet (e.g. Susy) Mediator simplified models ne  $\Rightarrow$  Good benchmark for DM S Ś searches **Simplified models**  $\Rightarrow$  Classified based on the mediator's spin and CP Effective field theories

generality

Model

#### **One-mediator simplified models**

#### Vector/axial-vector mediator



Parameters:  $m_{Z'}, m_{\chi}, g_q, g_l, g_{\chi}$ 

#### Scalar/pseudo-scalar mediator



Parameters:  $m_{\phi(a)}, m_{\chi}, g_f, g_{\chi}$ 

#### Less simple simplified models

The simplified models can be made "less simple", which can result in some exotic final states



### X + MET analysis





Signatures	Interpretation	Publications
jet + MET	(1) (2) (3)	JHEP 01 (2018) 126
$\gamma$ + MET	(1) (3)	Eur. Phys. J. C 77 (2017) 393
V + MET	(1) (3)	JHEP 10 (2018) 180
$t\bar{t}$ + MET	(4)	JHEP 06 (2018) 108
$b\overline{b}$ + MET	(4)	EPJC 78 (2018) 18



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Dijet	(1)	ATLAS-CONF-2019-007
Dijet + ISR*	(1)	ATLAS-CONF-2016-070
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Limitation in low mediator mass due to the required triggers

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Search for dijet + ISR jets provides sensitivity to lower mediator mass

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#### More exotic final states

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H(bb) + MET	<b>(1) (2)</b> (3)	ATLAS-CONF-2018-039
$H(\gamma\gamma) + MET$	<b>(1) (2)</b> (3)	Phys. Rev. Lett. D 96 (2017)
Same sign <i>tt</i>	(4)	JHEP 12 (2018) 039
t + MET	(5)	JHEP 05 (2019) 41





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  - The following will focus on the neutral interaction spin-0 and spin-1 single-mediator models

#### **Results – Vector mediator**

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- Resonance searches dominate the sensitivity due to relatively high coupling to quarks
- MET+X analyses are complementary to the resonance searches in the on-shell region

#### **Results – Axial-vector mediator**

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 Dominated by the dilepton search with a non-vanishing coupling to leptons

#### Results – Vector/axial-vector mediator



• ATLAS limits can be converted to the  $\chi$ -nucleon cross sections and compared with the direct/indirect searches

## Results – Scalar/pseudo-scalar mediator



- Scalar/pseudo scalar limits provided by MET+ $t\bar{t}/b\bar{b}$  analyses
- Scalar mediator with mass up to 45 GeV is excluded, while pseudo-scalar mediator in the range 15-25 GeV is excluded
- Results do not depend on the DM mass as long as the DM is on-shell

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#### Summary

- Dark Matter searches with colliders are well physically motivated and provide great complementarity to the direct/indirect searches
- Focus on more complicated theories than the effective field theories in run-2
- DM searches results with the interpretations of neutral interaction single spin-0 or spin-1 mediator models are presented; no excess has been found so far
- More complementary scenarios are being investigated; look forward to the future results!

# Backup slides

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