# Searching for dark sector at LHC through "dark jet"



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2. How to tag a "Dark Jet"

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# Motivation:Dark sector might be complicated

1. The simplest WIMP model maybe not enough: null results, small scale problem(cusp-problem,  $\sigma_8 \cdots$ )

2.We need to consider other paradigm(SIMP, asymmetric DM), or a different DM, like a composite particle originated from dark sector confinement.

3. There are some popular NP models that can give you such DM candidate, Mirror World, Dark QCD, Hidden Valley…

#### These models look like...



Dark quark can be produced at collider through mediator particles. Once produced, dark parton => shower => hadronization => dark meson decay back to SM.

$$c\tau \approx 80 \mathrm{mm} \left(\frac{1}{\kappa^4}\right) \left(\frac{2\mathrm{GeV}}{f_{\pi_d}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{0.1\mathrm{GeV}}{m_q}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2\mathrm{GeV}}{m_{\pi_d}}\right) \left(\frac{m_X}{1TeV}\right)^4$$

### This kind of jet looks like....

It's very, very model dependent. How long is lifetime of dark meson  $\pi_d$ ,  $\rho_d$ ...? How much invisible particle inside a dark jet?

> Most dark mesons are stable or stable enough. Invisible Jet (Missing Energy)

> > Most dark mesons are long-lived. Emerging Jet (Displaced Track) JHEP **1505**, 059 (2015)

A fraction of dark mesons are stable. Semi-visible Jet (Transverse Mass) Phys. Rev. Lett. **115**, no. 17, 171804 (2015)

Most of dark mesons decay to visible particles promptly. "QCD-like" Dark Jet (What Can You Do?)



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### One example of one-prong jet tagging



#### Why are they different? Casimir Scaling

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Strength of parton shower is controlled by this factor, so Gluon-Jet is broader than Quark-Jet, and there are more hadrons insider Gluon-Jet.

Their difference is decided by ratio  $C_A/C_F$ , it's called Casimir Scaling.

#### So for a Dark-Jet ...



We have a modified Casimir Scaling in Gluon/Dark Jet discrimination,  $C_A/C_F$  should be changed to  $\alpha_S C_A/\alpha_d C_d$ . So, if  $\alpha_d$  is very different with  $\alpha_S$  ...

#### **Our dark sector setting**

## Our four benchmark setting. High confinement scale is required by short dark meson lifetime.

	$N_d$	$ n_f $	$\Lambda_d(GeV)$	$\tilde{m}_{q'}(GeV)$	$m_{\pi_d}(\text{GeV})$	$m_{ ho_d}({ m GeV})$	$\pi_d$ Decay Mode	$\rho_d$ Decay Mode
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Running coupling of different setting.



## Variable 1: two points energy correlation function $C_1^{(\beta)}$

**Definition:** 
$$C_1^{(\beta)} = \sum_{i < j \in J} z_i z_j (R_{ij})^{\beta}$$

with 
$$z_i = p_{T_i} / \sum_{i \in J} p_{T_i}$$
 and  $R_{ij} = \sqrt{(\eta_i - \eta_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2}$ 

Leading order re-summation result: Casimir Scaling  $\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dC_1^{(\beta)}} = \frac{d}{dC_1^{(\beta)}} \exp\left(-\int_{C_1^{(\beta)}}^{R_0^{\beta}} \frac{2\alpha C}{\pi\beta \tilde{C}} L(\tilde{C}) d\tilde{C}\right) = \frac{2\alpha C}{\pi\beta C_1^{(\beta)}} L(C_1^{(\beta)}) \exp\left(-\int_{C_1^{(\beta)}}^{R_0^{\beta}} \frac{2\alpha C}{\pi\beta \tilde{C}} L(\tilde{C}) d\tilde{C}\right)$ with

$$L(C_1^{(\beta)}) = \ln \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - 4C_1^{(\beta)}/R_0^\beta}}{1 - \sqrt{1 - 4C_1^{(\beta)}/R_0^\beta}}$$

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Meson level: parton level distribution convolute with a "shape function". And the mean value of shape function is proportional to  $\Lambda$ .

Dark meson decay: push up  $C_1^{(\beta)}$  further:  $z_1 z_2 \theta^\beta \to \frac{1}{4} (z_1 + z_2)^2 \left(\frac{m_{\pi_d}}{\overline{p_T}}\right)^\beta$  $C_1^{\beta}$  distribution at different level for point B 0.14 parton level meson level 0.12 particle level detector level 0.10 0.08 <sup>-</sup>robability 0.06 0.04 0.02 -0.00 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.0  $C_1^\beta$ 

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#### Variable 2: Charged Track multiplicity

Performance



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#### Variable 3: E-ratio

#### Useful to some special final states, defined as:



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# Kaons inside dark jet B is very important

#### **Multiple variables analysis**

How to combine the discriminant ability of different variables? We use boosted decision tree(BDT).

BDT gives you a mapping from a set of variables to a BDT score:

 $\{var1, var2, var3, ...\} \rightarrow BDT$  score

#### **Final discriminant performance**

You can combine multiple variables to enhance the discriminant performance. Here we use boosted decision tree(BDT).

Combination of  $C_1^{(\beta)}$ , track Multi, and E-ratio is good enough.



#### **Uncertainty estimation**

You can only use Pythia8 to do Dark QCD simulation. So we rescale the renormalization scale in parton shower process to estimate the theoretical uncertainty.



Our result looks quite robust.

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#### Tagging the QCD-like "Dark jet"

## Our analysis ins based on ATLAS report: search for pair-produced resonances in 4-jets final state

- Events are required to have at least 4 jets with  $p_{\rm T} > 120 {\rm GeV}$  and  $|\eta| < 2.4$ .
- These 4 jets are paired by minimizing  $\Delta R_{\min} = \sum_{i=1,2} |\Delta R_i 1|$ , with  $\Delta R_i$  the angular distance between two jets in a pair.
- Define  $m_{\text{avg}}$  as the average of the invariant masses of these two jets pair as  $m_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1}{2}(m_1 + m_2)$  with  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are the invariant masses of two resonances. Discard events with large angular separation according to a resonant mass:

 $\Delta R_{\rm min} > -0.002 \times (m_{\rm avg}/{\rm GeV} - 225) + 0.72 \qquad \text{if } m_{\rm avg} < 225 {\rm GeV}$  $\Delta R_{\rm min} > +0.0013 \times (m_{\rm avg}/{\rm GeV} - 225) + 0.72 \qquad \text{if } m_{\rm avg} > 225 {\rm GeV}$ 

• Boosting the system of these two resonances (two jets pairs) to their centre-of-mass frame.  $\cos \theta^*$  is defined as the cosine of the angle between one of the resonance and the beam-line in the centre-of-mass frame. The mass asymmetry  $\mathcal{A}$  is defined as:

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{|m_1 - m_2|}{m_1 + m_2},\tag{4.2}$$

Events are cut by requiring  $\mathcal{A} < 0.05$  and  $|\cos \theta^*| < 0.3$ . This cut defines the inclusive signal region (SR) selection.

This report only use  $p_{\rm T}$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\phi$  of jets. Let's do something more.

#### Tagging the QCD-like "Dark jet"



BDT score > 0.4 ==> Tagged as "Dark Jet"

### Tagging the QCD-like "Dark jet"

	BKG	$M_X = 500 \text{GeV}$	$M_X = 700 \text{GeV}$	$M_X = 900 \text{GeV}$
Inclusive selection	154,750	360	82	22
Require 1 dark jet	$5,\!133$	163	55	16
Require 2 dark jets	162	49	16	6
Significance	-	2.38	0.78	0.29



### **Conclusion and outlook**

Jet is not only  $(\eta, \phi, p_T)$ , by looking inside a jet you can get more. Jetsubstructure have been used in boosted object tagging and quark/gluon jet discrimination.

In this work, we indicate that if a dark sector can produce jet-like signal at collider, then it is possible to show the property of dark sector by jetsubstructure directly.

Combination with cosmology will be more interesting:

Asymmetric Dark Matter:  $\Omega_{DM}/\Omega_B \approx 5$ 

Confinement in Dark sector may trigger SFOPT, thus:

