

# Displaced vertices from pseudo-Dirac dark matter

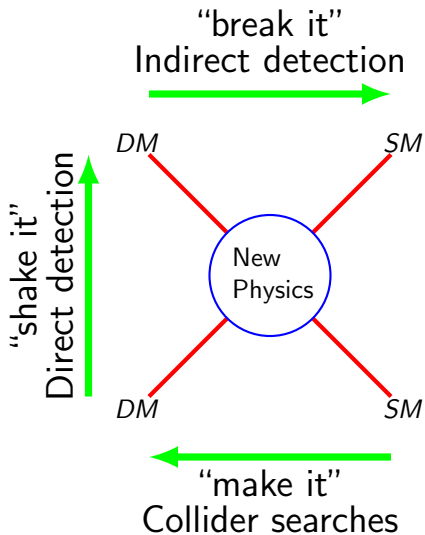
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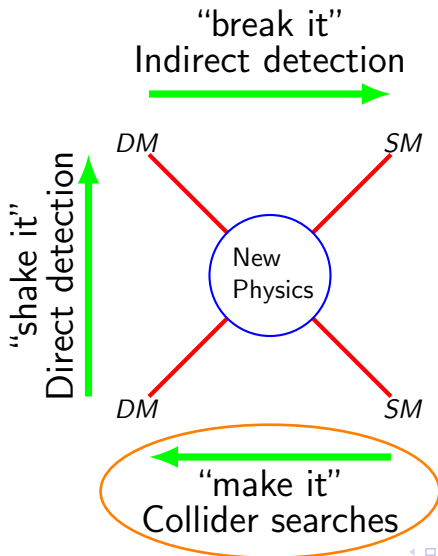
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# Pseudo-Dirac model

Pseudo-Dirac dark matter simplified model: SM + 2 Majorana fermions coupled to it through a  $Z'$  boson.

Despite its simplicity, interesting features:

- i) not only standard signatures (monojet), but also “unusual” ones (displaced vertices);
- ii) link between collider signatures and cosmological observations;
- iii) broken crossing symmetry between  $DM - N \leftrightarrow DM - N$  and  $DM - DM \leftrightarrow N - N$  interactions;
- iv) DM-nuclei scattering cross section helicity/velocity suppressed; DM annihilation cross section unsuppressed.

# Model

Starting point: pDDM Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{pDDM}} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_{\text{int}},$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \bar{\Psi}(i\not{\partial} - M_D)\Psi - \frac{m_L}{2} (\bar{\Psi}^c P_L \Psi + \text{h.c.}) - \frac{m_R}{2} (\bar{\Psi}^c P_R \Psi + \text{h.c.}),$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu (c_L P_L + c_R P_R) \Psi Z'_\mu + \sum_f \bar{f} \gamma^\mu (c_L^{(f)} P_L + c_R^{(f)} P_R) f Z'_\mu,$$

$f$ : SM fermion.

“Pseudo-Dirac limit”:  $m_{L,R} \ll M_D$ .

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# Decay length

$\chi_2 \rightarrow \chi_1 f \bar{f}$  decay length (at rest):

$$L_0 \simeq 2.9 \text{ m} \left[ \sum_f N_c^{(f)} (c_L + c_R)^2 \left( c_L^{(f)2} + c_R^{(f)2} \right) \right]^{-1} \left( \frac{M_{Z'}}{1 \text{ TeV}} \right)^4 \left( \frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{\Delta m} \right)^5.$$

If  $M_{Z'} \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$  and  $\Delta m \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{GeV}) \Rightarrow L_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{m}) \Rightarrow$  possible signal at LHC as displaced vertex!

Actual decay length at LHC: enhanced by the boost factor  
 $\beta\gamma \sim \mathcal{O}(1 - 100)$ .

# Relic abundance

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Effective thermal cross section:

$$\langle\sigma v\rangle_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{1 + \alpha^2} \left( \langle\sigma v\rangle_{11} + 2\alpha\langle\sigma v\rangle_{12} + \alpha^2\langle\sigma v\rangle_{22} \right),$$

where  $\alpha \equiv (1 + \Delta m/m_1)^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-x\Delta m/m_1}$ ,  $\langle\sigma v\rangle_{ij} \equiv \langle\sigma v\rangle_{\chi_i\chi_j \rightarrow f\bar{f}}$  and  $x \equiv m_1/T$ .

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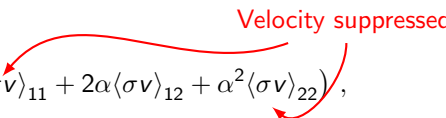
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# Couplings determination

Seven free parameters in the model:

$$\{m_1, \Delta m, M_{Z'}, c_L, c_R, c_L^{(f)}, c_R^{(f)}\}.$$

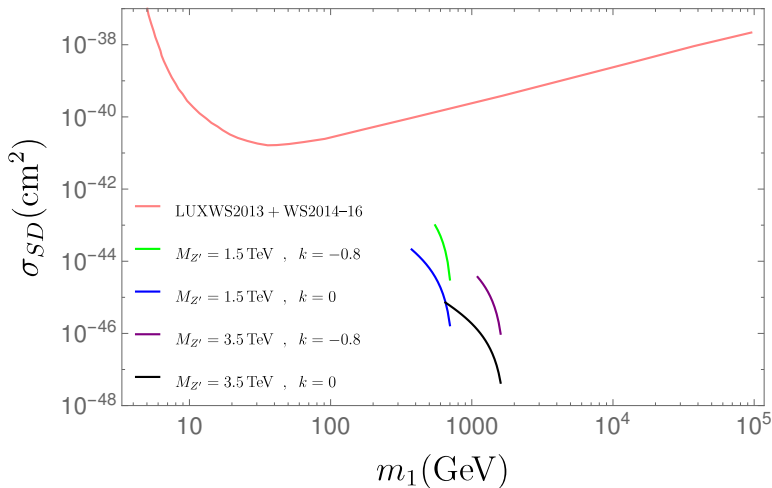
Assumptions and requirements:

- i) without loss of generality,  $c_R^{(f)} = -c_L^{(f)}$ ;
- ii) ATLAS dijets constraints on SM-dark sector couplings;
- iii)  $\Gamma_{Z'}/M_{Z'} \leq 0.2 \Rightarrow$  Breit-Wigner approximation is accurate;
- iv) observed DM relic abundance;
- v) fix the value of  $k \equiv c_R/c_L$ .

$\Rightarrow$  determination of  $c_L$  and  $c_R$  for given  $\{m_1, \Delta m, M_{Z'}\}$ .

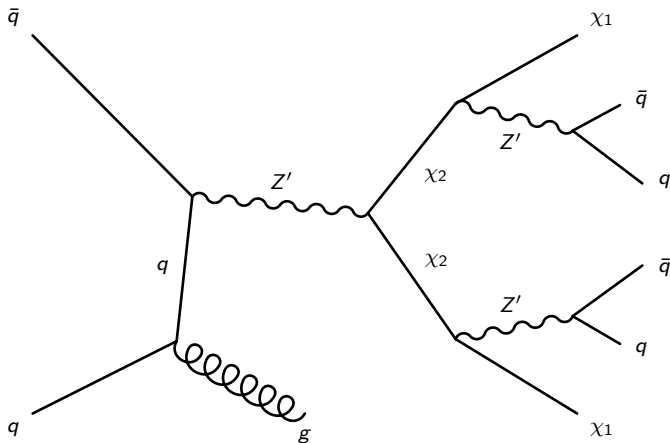
# Direct detection constraints

$$\Delta m = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$$



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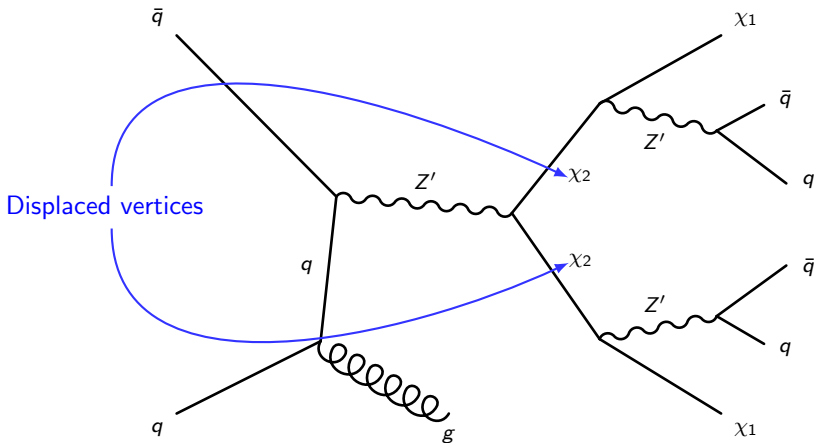
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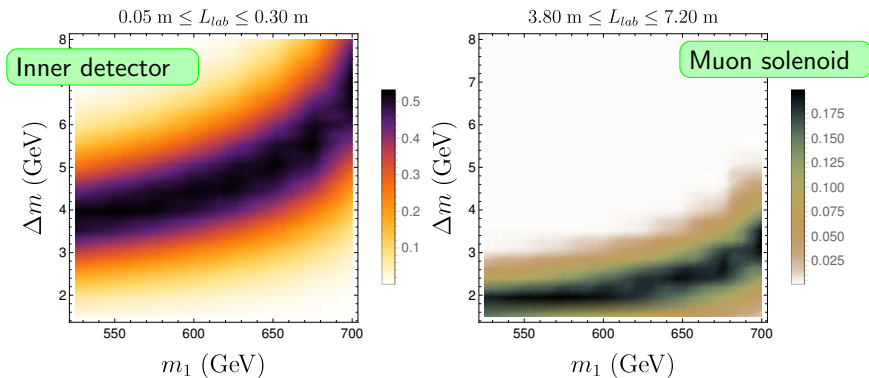
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Probability that  $\chi_2$  decays in the detector ( $M_{Z'} = 1.5$  TeV):

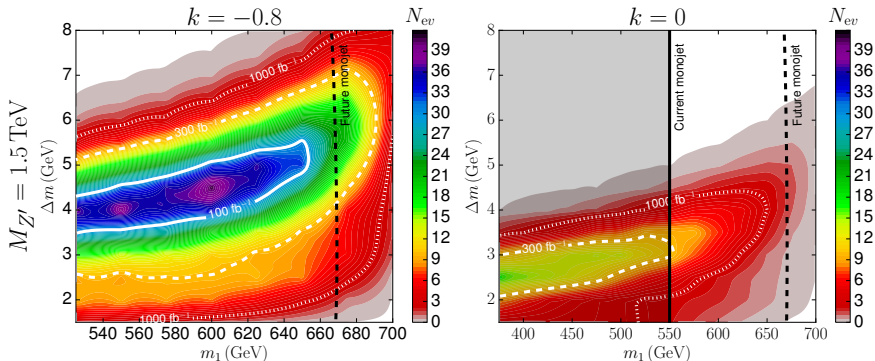




# Complementarity DV-monojet

Cuts:  $p_T > 200 \text{ GeV}$  ,  $MET > 300 \text{ GeV}$ .

DV: approximately zero background  $\Rightarrow$  95% C.L. exclusion if  $N > 3$ .



# Conclusions

pDDM model: simple extension of the SM, but interesting features.

Not only standard signatures (monojet), but also “unusual” ones (DV).

Interplay between cosmological observations and collider signatures.

With larger luminosity  $\Rightarrow$  exclusion/signal over a wide mass range.

pDDM model may be used as a benchmark for these new searches.



## Backup slides

The freezeout temperature is given by  $T_F = m_1/x_F$ :

$$x_F = 25 + \log \left[ \frac{d_F}{\sqrt{g_*} x_F} m_1 \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{eff}} 6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ GeV} \right],$$

with  $d_F = 2$  number of degrees of freedom of  $\chi_1$ .

The DM cosmological abundance is:

$$\Omega h^2 = \frac{8.7 \times 10^{-11} \text{ GeV}^{-2}}{\sqrt{g_*} \int_{x_F}^{\infty} dx \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{eff}}}{x^2}},$$

with  $g_* \simeq 100$  effective number of relativistic species at  $T_F$ .

$\chi_2$  proper decay length in the lab frame:  $L_0^{\text{lab}} = \beta\gamma L_0$ .

Probability that  $\chi_2$  travels a distance  $L$  before decaying:

$$P(L) = \frac{1}{L_0^{\text{lab}}} e^{-L/L_0^{\text{lab}}}$$

If  $p_T$  is the transverse momentum of  $\chi_2 \Rightarrow$  transverse decay length

$$L_{T,0}^{\text{lab}} = \frac{p_T}{m_2} L_0.$$

Probability that  $\chi_2$  travels a distance greater than  $L$  in the transverse direction:

$$P(L_T^{\text{lab}} > L) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \exp \left\{ -\frac{L}{L_{T,0}^{\text{lab}}(p_T = p_{T,i})} \right\},$$

$N$  number of simulated events.

$\chi_2$  decay width:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Gamma_{\chi_2 \rightarrow \chi_1 \bar{f} f} = & \sum_f \frac{N_c^{(f)}}{480\pi^3} (c_L + c_R)^2 \frac{\Delta m^5}{M_{Z'}^4} \left\{ \left( 1 - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\Delta m}{m_1} \right) \left( c_L^{(f)2} + c_R^{(f)2} \right) \right. \\
 & - \frac{m_f^2}{2m_1^2} \left[ \left( 36c_L^{(f)2} + 33c_L^{(f)}c_R^{(f)} + 36c_R^{(f)2} \right) + \frac{16m_1^2}{M_{Z'}^2} \left( 2c_L^{(f)2} + c_L^{(f)}c_R^{(f)} + 2c_R^{(f)2} \right) \right. \\
 & + \frac{10m_1^2}{\Delta m^2} \left( 1 - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\Delta m}{m_1} \right) \left( c_L^{(f)} + c_R^{(f)} \right)^2 - \frac{65}{2} \frac{\Delta m}{m_1} \left( 2c_L^{(f)2} + c_L^{(f)}c_R^{(f)} + 2c_R^{(f)2} \right) \\
 & \left. \left. - \frac{24m_1\Delta m}{M_{Z'}^2} \left( 2c_L^{(f)2} + c_L^{(f)}c_R^{(f)} + 2c_R^{(f)2} \right) \right] \right\} + \mathcal{O} \left[ \left( \frac{\Delta m}{m_1} \right)^7 \right] + \mathcal{O} \left[ \left( \frac{m_f}{m_1} \right)^4 \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

$Z'$  decay width:

$$\Gamma_{Z' \rightarrow \chi_1 \chi_2} = \frac{(c_L + c_R)^2}{48\pi} M_{Z'} K \left[ 1 + \frac{(m_1 + m_2)^2}{2M_{Z'}^2} \right] \left( 1 - \frac{m_2 - m_1}{M_{Z'}} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{m_2 - m_1}{M_{Z'}} \right)$$

$$\Gamma_{Z' \rightarrow \chi_i \chi_i} = \frac{(c_R - c_L)^2}{96\pi} M_{Z'} \left( 1 - \frac{4m_i^2}{M_{Z'}^2} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\Gamma_{Z' \rightarrow \bar{f} f} = \sum_f N_c^{(f)} \frac{M_{Z'}}{24\pi} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_f^2}{M_{Z'}^2}} \left[ (c_L^{(f)})^2 + c_R^{(f)2} - \frac{m_f^2}{M_{Z'}^2} (c_L^{(f)2} - 6c_L^{(f)} c_R^{(f)} + c_R^{(f)2}) \right],$$

where:

$$K \equiv \sqrt{1 - 2 \frac{m_1^2 + m_2^2}{M_{Z'}^2} + \left( \frac{m_2^2 - m_1^2}{M_{Z'}^2} \right)^2}$$

Thermal cross sections:

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{12} = \sum_f \frac{N_c^{(f)}}{32\pi} \frac{(c_L + c_R)^2}{\left(1 - \frac{(m_1 + m_2)^2}{M_{Z'}^2}\right)^2} \frac{(m_1 + m_2)^2}{M_{Z'}^4} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_f^2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2}}$$

$$\left[ \left( c_L^{(f)2} + c_R^{(f)2} \right) - \frac{m_f^2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2} \left( c_L^{(f)2} - 6c_L^{(f)}c_R^{(f)} + c_R^{(f)2} \right) \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{ii} = \sum_f \frac{N_c^{(f)}}{8\pi} \frac{(c_L - c_R)^2}{\left(1 - \frac{2m_i^2}{M_{Z'}^2} \frac{2x_i + 3}{x_i}\right)^2} \frac{m_i^2}{M_{Z'}^4} \sqrt{1 - \frac{2m_f^2}{m_1^2} \frac{x_i}{2x_i + 3}}$$

$$\left[ \frac{c_L^{(f)2} + c_R^{(f)2}}{x_i} - \frac{m_f^2}{2m_1^2} \left( c_L^{(f)} - c_R^{(f)} \right)^2 \frac{x_i}{2x_i + 3} \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$



DM- $f$  scattering cross section:

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi_1 f \rightarrow \chi_1 f} = \sum_f \frac{N_c^{(f)}}{16\pi} (c_L - c_R)^2 (c_L^{(f)} - c_R^{(f)})^2 \frac{\mu_{\chi_1 f}^2}{M_{Z'}^4} v$$

From arXiv:1603.04156, for axial-vector coupling and  $c_L^{(f)} = -c_R^{(f)}$ :

$$\sigma_{\text{SD}} \simeq 2.4 \times 10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot (c_R - c_L)^2 \left( c_L^{(f)} \right)^2 \left( \frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{M_{Z'}} \right)^4 \left( \frac{\mu_{n\chi}}{1 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2 .$$

