

# SEARCH FOR DARK MATTER AT LHC





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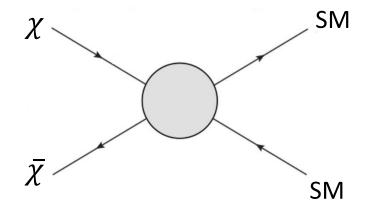


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#### • indirect search:

Dark matter (DM) annihilation into Standard Model (SM) particles

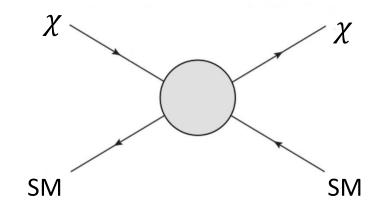


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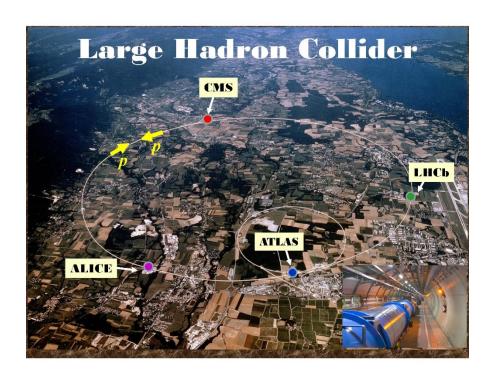
DM scattering on nucleons

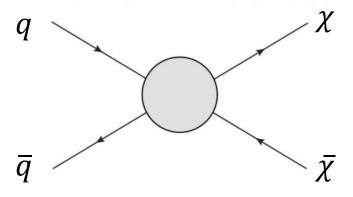


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#### search at colliders:

DM production from proton-proton collisions at LHC

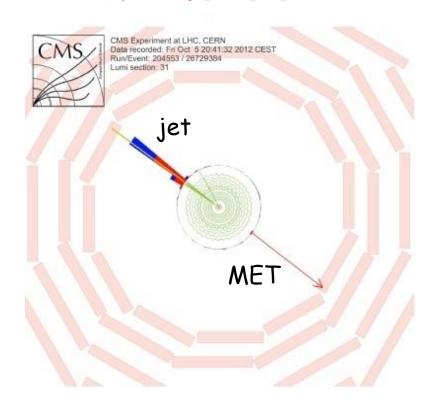




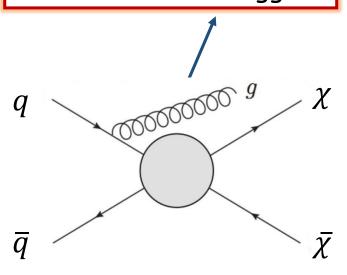
I will present CMS results

### DARK MATTER SIGNAL AT LHC

#### MONOJET EVENT



exploit radiation from initial state as a trigger



look for events with high missing transverse energy (MET or  $\vec{\mathbb{E}}_T$ )

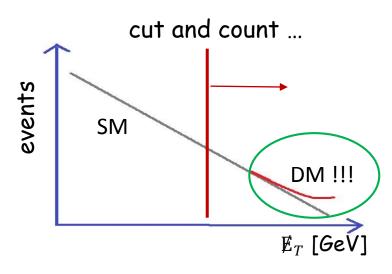
### SIGNAL SELECTION

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- > second jet allowed if:  $\Delta \phi(jet1, jet2) < 2.5$
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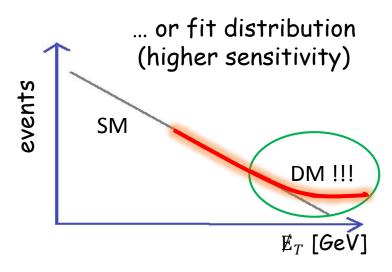
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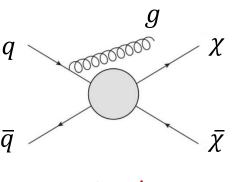
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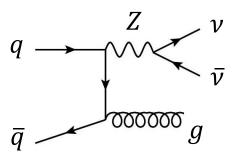
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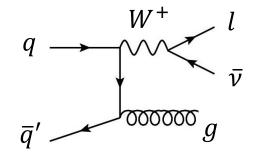


### MONOJET BACKGROUNDS

#### everything in SM that produces jets and $E_T$







signal

backgrounds

### main backgrounds

- $Z(\nu\nu) + jets$  (55%)
- W(lv) + jets (40%) (if *l* is lost)

estimated from data using control samples

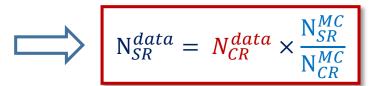
#### others:

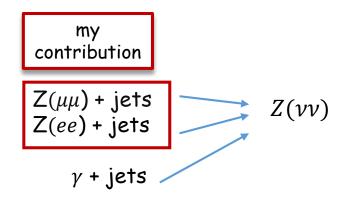
- $t\bar{t}$ , single top
- · QCD multijet
- diboson

estimated from MC

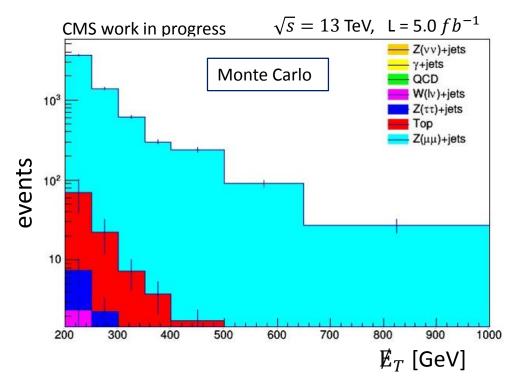
### DATA DRIVEN BACKGROUND ESTIMATE

- select a control sample in data
- use MC to get transfer factors from control region (CR) to signal region (SR)





MET defined here excluding Z or  $\gamma$   $p_T$  in the sum

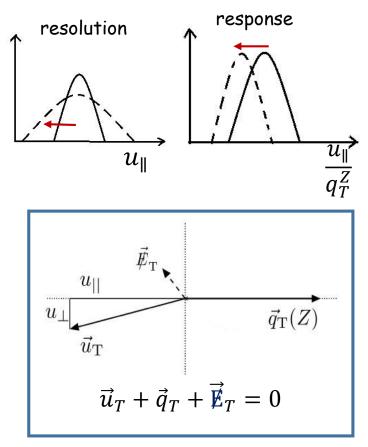


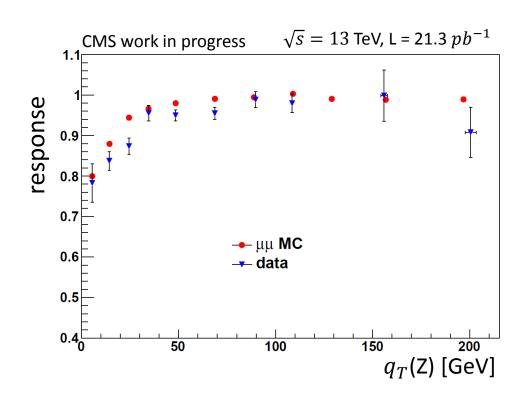
### MET RESOLUTION AND RESPONSE

contribution

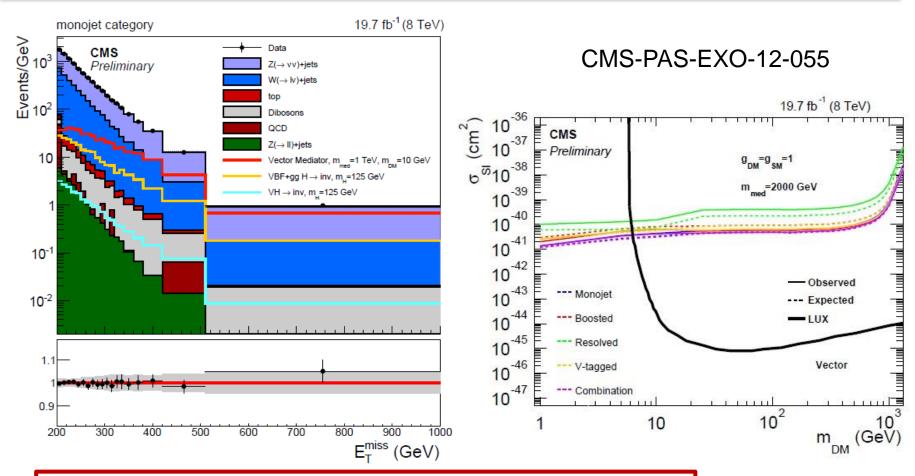
assess the performance of the hadronic recoil reconstruction

Use Z(ll) + jets events: induce MET by removing the well-measured leptons



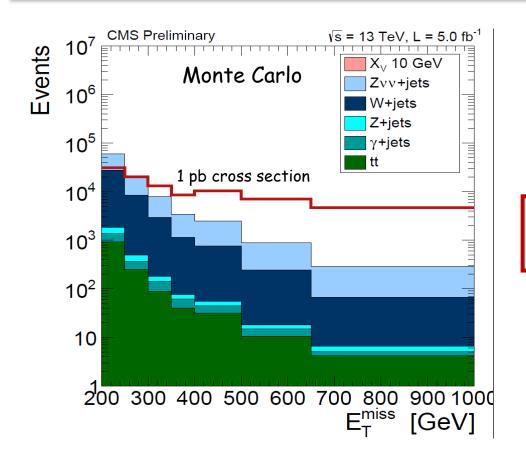


#### **RUN 1 RESULTS**



complementarity with respect to direct searches collider searches are also sensitive to low DM mass

#### RUN 2 PERSPECTIVES



need 5  $fb^{-1}$  at 13 TeV to be competitive with Run 1

- signal from fit to MET distribution: higher sensitivity than "cut&count"
- more control samples for background estimate

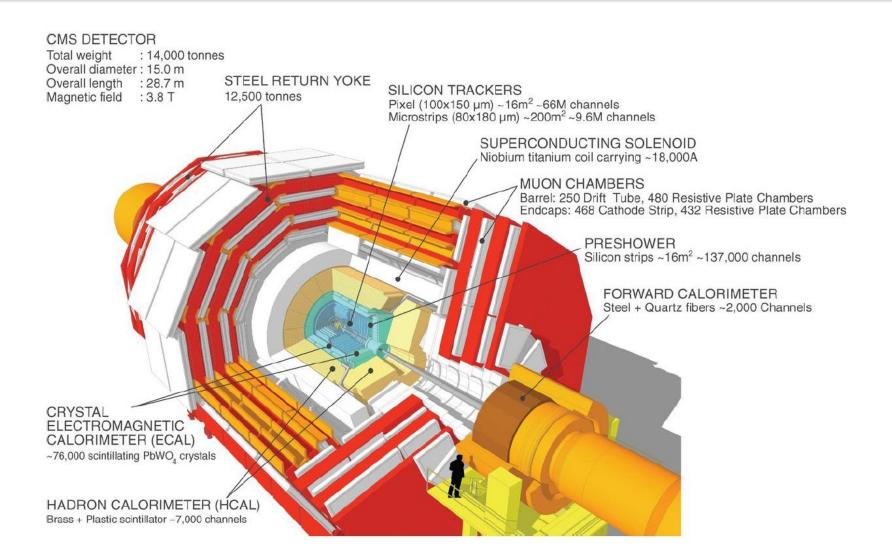
### SUMMARY

- ✓ monojet analysis for dark matter search at LHC presented
  - simple experimental signature: 1 jet and  $\mathbb{E}_T$

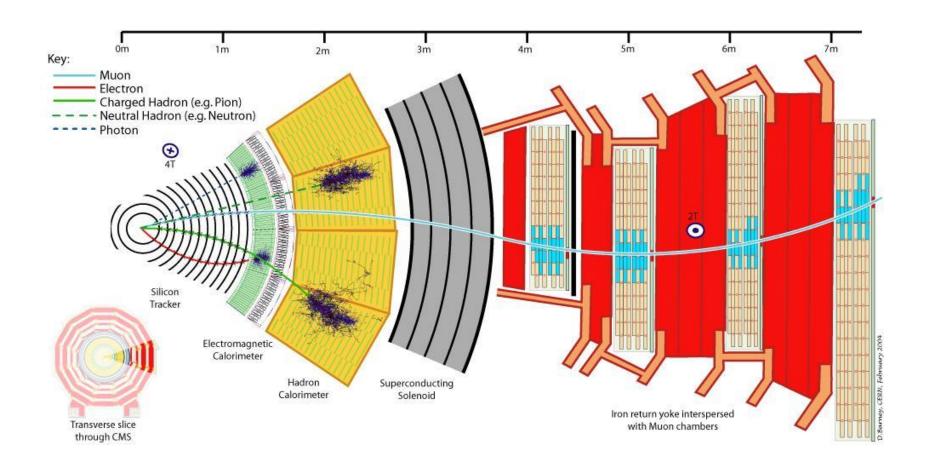
- ✓ Run 2 and data taking at 13 TeV at LHC has begun
  - enhanced sensitivity thanks to higher energy collisions
  - with  $5fb^{-1}$  we are as sensitive as previous Run 1 (  $\approx 20fb^{-1}$ )
- √ many improvements in the analysis during Run 2
  - more control samples to estimate the backgrounds
- √ collider and direct searches complement each other

## **BACKUP**

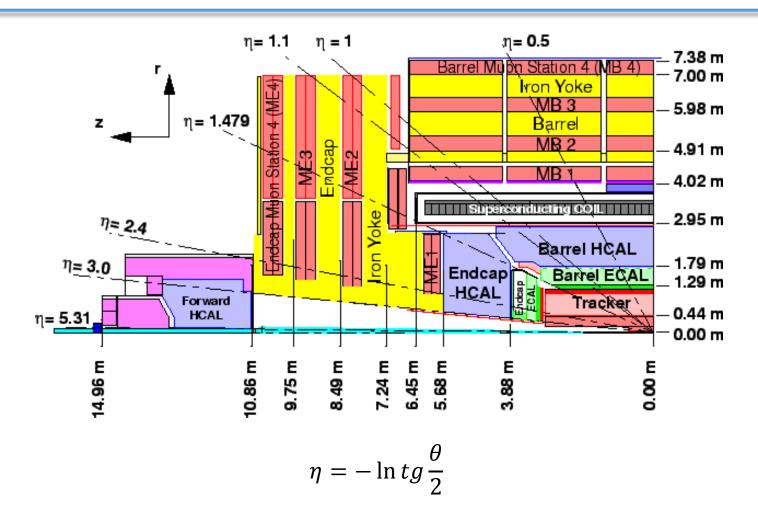
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 $\eta$  differences are Lorentz invariant for high energy particles

#### INTERPRETATIONS OF RUN 1 RESULTS

observed limit on cross section depends on DM mass and interaction with SM

can be translated into limit on DM-nucleon scattering cross section

different sensitivity from various experiments can lead to controversial results

