Model-independent WIMP Characterization Using ISR

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Dark Matter at the ILC?



- WIMP properties:
 - Electrically neutral
 - Stable ⇒ new conserved quantum number
 - Cold, i.e. non-relativistic
 - Cross sections $\mathcal{O}(100 \mathrm{fb})$
 - Massive *M* ~ 100 GeV



- Well known initial state ⇒ precision physics
- Longitudinal polarized beams: $P_{e^-} = 80\%$ and $P_{e^+} \ge 30\%$
- Machine Parameters: RDR, SB-2009 impact beam energy spectrum

Direct WIMP Production in e^+e^- -Collisions

Model-independent WIMP pair production (Birkedal et al.):

- Annihilation cross section determined by relic DM abundance
- Annihilation and production cross sections related by detailed balancing
- $\Rightarrow e^+e^- \rightarrow \chi \chi$, invisible in collider experiment, use ISR



• Search for high p_T photons balancing invisible WIMP system

• Model dependent interpretation (SUSY) \rightarrow O. Kittel tomorrow

Dominant SM Background Process



• Neutrino pair production $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu \nu \gamma$

- Irreducible
- Large production cross section
- Polarization dependent
- \Rightarrow Precise event reconstruction, excellent $\delta P/P$
- Other: Multi-photon, radiative Bhabha scattering

Analysis Strategy I

- Observables: Photon energy E_{γ} (and polar angle Θ_{γ})
- Measure from ISR spectrum Cross sections, Coupling structure, Mass, Partial wave



Threshold energy ⇔ missing mass, threshold behaviour ⇔ partial wave
Achievable precision, influence of polarization measurement?

Analysis Strategy II

- Large WIMP parameter space
 - Select irreducible $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\nu\gamma$ background
 - Reweight $\nu\nu\gamma$ events with $\frac{\sigma(\chi\chi\gamma)}{\sigma(\nu\nu\gamma)}$
- Large backgrounds: $S/B \approx \mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$
 - Include photon in matrix element
 - Full detector simulation
 - Photon reconstruction
- Precise background prediction required
 - Parametrization of independent background sample
 - Generate signal prediction from parametrization



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Event Selection

Selection of single high p_T photons

- Signal definition:
 - 10 GeV $< E_{\gamma} <$ 220 GeV, $|\cos \Theta_{\gamma}| <$ 0.98
 - Low energy ISR, massless Z final state
 - Tracking and calorimetric acceptance
- Maximal exclusive visible energy
 - *E_{vis} E_γ* < 20 GeV
 - Reject multi-photon final states
 - Reject hadronic and leptonic final states
- Tag electrons in forward calorimeters
 - Reduce abundant Bhabha background
- Veto high p_T tracks
 - p_T < 3 GeV</p>
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- WIMP selection efficiency mass dependent $\epsilon > 90\%$

Cross Section and Coupling Structure

$$\sigma = \mathcal{F}(\sigma_{RR}, \sigma_{LL}, \sigma_{RL}, \sigma_{LR}; P_{e^-}, P_{e^+})$$

Fully polarized cross sections ⇔ Coupling structure of WIMP interactions



- Study three scenarios:
 - "Equal": $\sigma_{RR} = \sigma_{LL} = \sigma_{RL} = \sigma_{LR}$
 - "Helicity": $\sigma_{RL} = \sigma_{LR}$
 - "Anti-SM": σ_{RL}
- Requires four measurements with polarized beams:

• 200
$$ext{fb}^{-1}$$
 with $(+|P_{e^-}|; -|P_{e^+}|)$

- 50 fb⁻¹ with $(+|P_{e^-}|;+|P_{e^+}|)$,
- 50 fb⁻¹ with $(-|P_{e^-}|; -|P_{e^+}|)$.
- Assume $\sigma_0 = 100$ fb throughout

Systematic Uncertainties

- δP/P:
 - Cross sections, coupling structure σ_{R,L}
 - 0.25% to 0.1%
- $\delta \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L}$:
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 - 0.01%
- $\delta\epsilon/\epsilon$:
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 - 2.0%
 - Calibrate with radiative Z-return
- Beam energy spectrum
 - Cross sections, Partial wave, Mass
 - Estimate from signal spectra of SB2009 and RDR parameter sets
- Beam energy scale
 - Mass
 - Calibrate with radiative Z-return

Coupling structure



"Equal" scenario, $P_{e^-} = +0.8, P_{e^+} = -0.3, L = 50 \text{ fb}^{-1}, \sigma_{P_{e^-}, P_{e^+}} = 100 \text{ fb}$

Parameter	value	$\delta\sigma$ [fb]
$\delta P/P$	0.25%	5.7
$\delta\epsilon/\epsilon$	1.73%	1.7
$\delta {\cal L} / {\cal L}$	0.01%	0.01
Total		5.9

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- $|P_{e^+}| = 0.6$, $\delta P/P = 0.10\%$: $\Delta \sigma_{\{R,L\}} = 7$ fb to 20 fb
- Combine measurements: $\Delta \sigma_0 / \sigma_0 = 2\%$ to 5%

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Mass Measurement



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Conclusion

- Model independent WIMP search by detection of high p_T photons
- Structure of studied coupling scenarios distinguishable
- Unpolarized cross section σ_0 determined to 2% to 5%
- Dominant uncertainty: Polarization measurement
- Partial wave can be determined with polarized beams
- Masses determined to $\leq 2.5\%$
- Dominant uncertainty: Beam energy spectrum
- Increased precision on Polarization measurement → factor two reduction of systematic errors
- Study of e.g. SUSY scenarios where only $\tilde{\chi}^{\rm 0}_1$ accessible (see O. Kittel tomorrow)