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SHiP: Searching for Hidden Particles

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The high intensity frontier



New Particles are either heavy or very weakly coupled

See Oleg's presentation on Wednesday

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Sterile Neutrinos

Fermions get mass via the Yukawa couplings

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = Y_{ij}^{d} \overline{Q_{Li}} \phi D_{Rj} + Y_{ij}^{u} \overline{Q_{Li}} \tilde{\phi} U_{Rj} + Y_{ij}^{\ell} \overline{L_{Li}} \phi E_{Rj} + \text{h.c.}$$

If we want the same coupling for neutrinos, we need right-handed (sterile) neutrinos... the most generic lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L}_N = i\overline{N}_i \partial_\mu \gamma^\mu N_i - \frac{1}{2} M_{ij} \overline{N^c}_i N_j - Y_{ij}^\nu \overline{L_{Li}} \tilde{\phi} N_j$$

Yukawa coupling

Kinetic term Majorana mass term

See talk by B. Kayser yesterday

The nuMSM



- N_1 with a mass in the KeV region plays the role of Dark Matter
- $N_{2,3}$ have mass in the GeV region, are quasi degenerate, give mass to active neutrinos and produce the baryon-antibaryon asymmetry in the Universe

See Oleg's presentation on Wednesday See Dima's presentation later See Dima's presentation later

Present status



Constraints from Canetti, Drewesb, Frossardd and Shaposhnikov arXiv:1208.4607 and references therein

Production and decays

- Produced via the (small) mixing with active neutrinos (mainly coming from D-meson decays)
- Typical lifetime of the order of $10\mu s$, i.e. decay length O(Km)
- Number of events proportional to U^4





Decays $N_{2,3} \rightarrow \ell^- h^+, \ \ell^- \ell^+ \nu, \ h^0 \nu$

See Walter's presentation

SHiP Experiment

Proposal for a fix target experiment at SPS (arXiv:1310.1762)

- Large number of protons on target $4 5 \times 10^{13}$ per 6-7s at $400 \text{GeV} \rightarrow 2 \times 10^{20} \text{ POT}$
- Slow beam extraction (1s) to minimize backgrund and occupancy
- Target consisting of heavy material to stop π and K before they decay in active neutrinos
- Long muon shield to range out the flux of muons
- Evacuated decay volume

Concept of the experiment



Muon Shield

Muon rate 5×10^9 muons/spill

- Acceptable rate $< 10^5$ muons per spill
- Main source of muons from η , η' , ω , etc...
- Studying solution with passive or active filter







Decay Volume



Vacuum tank (similar to NA62) with 1e-2 mbar (instead of 1e-5 mbar)

- MA62-like straw chambers, 120um resolution and 0.5% X0/X
- LHCb-like magnet 0.5Tm over 5m
- LHCb-like shashlik calorimeter
- Veto chambers at the entrance of the vacuum tank to veto muons and strangeness from surroundings

Background rejection

- 2×10^4 neutrino interactions per 2×10^{20} POT in the decay volume at atmospheric pressure, negligible at 10^{-2} mbar
- K_L production from $\nu + A \to K_L (\to \mu \nu \pi) X$
- 10% ν interactions produce Λ and K^0 in acceptance
- Majority of the decays in the first 5m of the decay volume
- Muon filter to reduce background from muon DIS to a negligible level



Fighting hard to design a zero background experiment

CERN accelerator complex





Expected SHiP sensitivity to nuMSM



Scan most of the interesting region below the charm mass

What about higher masses

- Studied the sensitivity for TLEP, running at the Z^0 c.m.
- Assuming $10^{12-13} Z^0$ produced (see talk by Alain Blondel at ICHEP)
- Experimental signatures:
 - -2 jets + lepton displaced from the PV
 - -2 leptons + (neutrino) displaced from the PV
- Assumption we can fight the $Z \to b\overline{b}$, $Z(Z/\gamma)^*$ and W^*W^* backgrounds

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Tau neutrinos



- The same optimization for sterile neutrinos in the GeV region also maximises the flux of ν_{τ}
- Source of ν_{τ} and $\overline{\nu}_{\tau}$ is $D_s \to \tau \nu_{\tau}$
- Also high rate of ν_e from charm

Tau neutrinos physics

- So far 4 ν_{τ} events observed by OPERA and 9 by DONUT
- We expect between 3000-4000 reconstructed ν_{τ} per 2 × 10²⁰ POT
- Physics goals:
 - First observation of $\overline{\nu}_{\tau}$, which has never been observed
 - $-\tau_{\nu}$ and $\overline{\nu}_{\tau}$ cross section measurements
 - Charm physics with τ_{ν} and $\overline{\nu}_{\tau}$
 - $-\nu_e$ cross section at high energy to measure charm hadron production (possible normalization for HNLs)

Tau neutrino detector



- ν_{τ} target: Opera-like bricks, laminated lead and nuclear emulsions (for micrometric resolution)
- 750 Opera-like bricks, to be replaced 10 times
- Muon spectrometer to measure charge and momentum and give time stamp 22

Dark Photon

- Models with hidden sector offer a natural candidate for DM
- Many of these models predict the existence of a massive Dark Photon, which can mix with the SM photon, with a strengh ϵ

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$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \mathcal{L}_{hidden} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} A'_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

- Production:
 - $-p + A \rightarrow p'\gamma + A$
 - Meson decays, e.g. $\pi^0 \to \gamma \gamma$

Process	$n_{\gamma'}/p.o.t$
$\pi^0 o \gamma \gamma'$	$\varepsilon^2 \times 5.41$
$\eta ightarrow \gamma \gamma'$	$\varepsilon^2 imes 0.23$
$\omega ightarrow \pi^0 \gamma'$	$\varepsilon^2 \times 0.07$
$\eta' ightarrow \gamma \gamma'$	$\varepsilon^2 \times 10^{-3}$
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Present status



SHiP sensitivity to DP



SHiP can strongly improved bounds on Dark Photons

Other searches

Many other models can be tested

- Models with light scalars mixing with the Higgs boson, i.e. 2HDM + singlet, light inflaton, ... see for instance J.Clarke arXiv:1310.8042, Bezrukov and Gorbunov arXiv:1303.4395
- Models with light pseudoscalars, see for instance arXiv:1008.0636
- Models with light sgoldstino, see for instance arXiv:hep-ph/0007325
- In general models with long leaved very weakly interacting particles

Conclusions

- Good physics case for a new beam dump experiment at SPS
 - Search for sterile neutrinos in the GeV region, in particular νMSM
 - Search for long lived very weakly interacting particles
 - $-\nu_{\tau}$ physics
- The SHiP collaboration submitted a Expression of Interest at SPSC, and aims to submit a Technical Proposal next year
- We had the first workshop and collaboration meeting in Zurich (cern.ch/ship/SHIP_workshop.html)
- More than 20 institutes expressed interest in participating to the TP

If you are interested get in touch! www.cern.ch/ship

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Beam

	Baseline
Beam	protons
Momentum [GeV/c]	395 or 405
Beam Intensity [10 ¹³ p/cycle]	4.5
Cycle length [s]	7.2
Spill duration [s]	1.0
Average power [kW]	300
Expected r.m.s. spot size (H/V) [mm]	6/6

Tracking



Figure 11: Estimated momentum resolution of the spectrometer (solid line) with separate contributions from multiple scattering (dotted line) and chamber resolution (dashed line).



are still dominated by MS (0.5% total x/x0 for 4 views/station)

With a yoke with outer dimension of $8.0 \times 7.5 \times 2.5 \text{ m}^3$, and two Al-99.7 coils, the proposed magnet provides a peak field of $\sim 0.2 \text{ T}$, and a $\int BdL \approx 0.5 \text{ Tm}$ over a length of $\sim 5 \text{ m}$. For comparison, the LHCb magnet mentioned above contains $\sim 40 \%$ more iron for its yoke, and dissipates three times more power.

Material: Straw mass production: Main parameters
Mylar (PET), 36 μm with Al (0.75 μm at both side) or Cu+Au: (0.050+0.020 μm)
Material budget (per view):
Straws - (0.93% - 0.95) %X ₀ (450 straws) Wires - 0.0046 %X ₀ (Luma 861) Gas mixture - 0.010 %X ₀ (CO ₂ 80%+CF ₄ 5%+Isobutene 5% or Ar 70%+CO ₂ 30%) Inner supports - 0.020 %X ₀ (Ultem bushes)
Straw dimensions and quality:
 9.775±0.025 mm (9.2 mm effective area) Length - 2360 mm (2100 mm active area) Straightness - 0.1 mm Elongation - 2.0 mm per m at 1 bar increasing - 0.08 mm per 1 atm overpressure Gas flow - 2.56 cm³/min (70 cm³/min per view)
Production technology and rate: Ultrasonic welding, up to 400 mm straw per 1 minute
S Mouchan NA62 straw tracker

11-Jun-14

S.Movchan NA62 straw tracker SHIP workshop, Zurich, 2014

Geometry



Figure 8: Fraction of HNL in the detector acceptance as a function of the length of the fiducial volume. Open circles: a single spectrometer following a fiducial volume of a given length. Full circles: two spectrometers in series, each following a fiducial volume of half the given length. The spectrometer length is fixed to 10 m.

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Trigger

Compare SHiP↔LHCb-upgrade again:

- SHiP: $10^5 \ \mu/s$ (/spill of 7 s), only 1 track/event.
- LHCb (2019): 10^9 tracks/s, in complicated events. Estimated CPU-farm: $\sim 3-4$ MCHF.

Conclusion: SHiP "farm" is tiny, i.e. one node with few dozen CPU cores.

Storage: write all "events" (10 kB/event?), with at least 1 track reconstructed.

- SHiP: $10^5 \times 10 \text{ kB} \times 10^6 \text{ spills} = 1 \text{ pB/year}$.
- LHCb-upgrade: 20(?) kHz $\times 100$ kB/event $\times 5.10^{6}$ s=10 pB/year.

Or, if we do not like to write 1 pB/year:

Veto events with hits in VETO, which do not point at emulsion: order(s) of magnitude less?



Detector design: first option



Wall thickness ~ 13 cm: 8 cm brick + 5 cm tracker plane

Working hypotheses

- Detector located ~60m from the proton target
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