NEW SIGNALS AT FASER AND FASER2

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FASER

ATLAS

One of 3 far-forward detectors approved for LHC Run 3
 480 m to the east of ATLAS IP; constructed, installed, ready to go
 Active volume: cylinder with 10 cm radius, 1.5 m long

SND: approved March 2021

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FASER: approved March 2019 LOS FASERv: approved December 2019

SPS

LHC

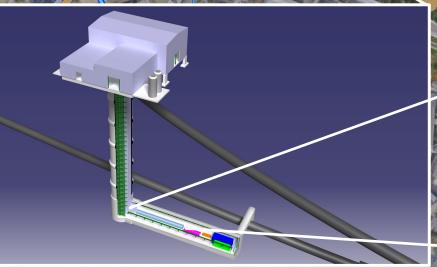
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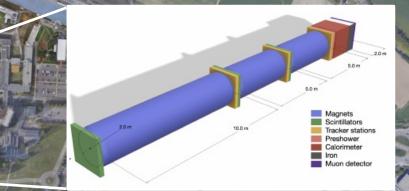
FASER2

ATLAS

One of ~5 far-forward detectors proposed for the HL-LHC
640 m to the west of the ATLAS IP in the Forward Physics Facility
Active Volume: cylinder with 1 m radius, 20 m long



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LHC

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BSM SIGNALS

• FASER and FASER2 have discovery prospects for many PBC Benchmarks. For FASER, the dominant signatures considered have been $A' \rightarrow e^+e^-$, and $a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$.

Benchmark Model	Underway	FPF	References
BC1: Dark Photon	FASER	FASER 2	Feng, Galon, Kling, Trojanowski, 1708.09389
BC1': U(1) _{B-L} Gauge Boson	FASER	FASER 2	Bauer, Foldenauer, Jaeckel, 1803.05466 FASER Collaboration, 1811.12522
BC2: Dark Matter	-	FLArE	Batell, Feng, Trojanowski, 2101.10338 Batell et al., 2107.00666
BC3: Milli-Charged Particle	_	FORMOSA	Foroughi-Bari, Kling, Tsai, 2010.07941
BC4: Dark Higgs Boson	-	FASER 2	Feng, Galon, Kling, Trojanowski, 1710.09387 Batell, Freitas, Ismail, McKeen, 1712.10022
BC5: Dark Higgs with hSS	-	FASER 2	Feng, Galon, Kling, Trojanowski, 1710.09387
BC6: HNL with e	-	FASER 2	Kling, Trojanowski, 1801.08947 Helo, Hirsch, Wang, 1803.02212
BC7: HNL with μ	-	FASER 2	Kling, Trojanowski, 1801.08947 Helo, Hirsch, Wang, 1803.02212
BC8: HNL with τ	-	FASER 2	Kling, Trojanowski, 1801.08947 Helo, Hirsch, Wang, 1803.02212
BC9: ALP with photon	FASER	FASER 2	Feng, Galon, Kling, Trojanowski, 1806.02348
BC10: ALP with fermion	_	FASER 2	FASER Collaboration, 1811.12522
BC11: ALP with gluon	FASER	FASER 2	FASER Collaboration, 1811.12522

NEW SIGNALS: QUIRKS

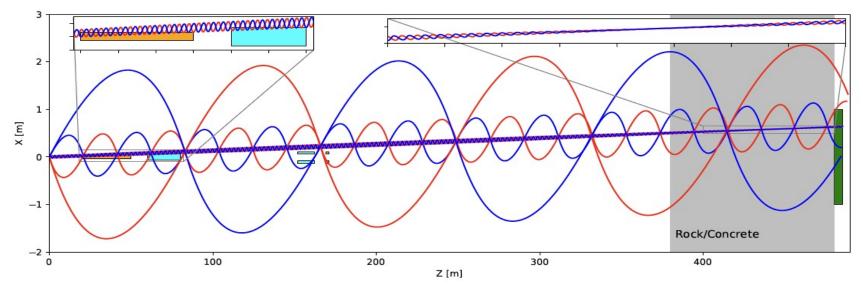
Kang, Luty (2008)

- Quirks are matter particles charged under a hidden strong force with mass m >> Λ_{hidden} . E.g., m ~ 100 GeV TeV, Λ_{hidden} ~ keV.
- Quirks may also have SM charge and color. They are then pair produced at the LHC, and are connected by a hidden color string.
- For quarks and standard QCD, m << Λ_{QCD}, and so it becomes energetically favorable to pair produce new quarks from the vacuum. Quarks hadronized.
- But for quirks, since m >> Λ_{hidden} , it is never energetically favorable to break the string by pair producing quirks from the vacuum: quirks do not hadronize, they oscillate.

QUIRK SIGNATURE

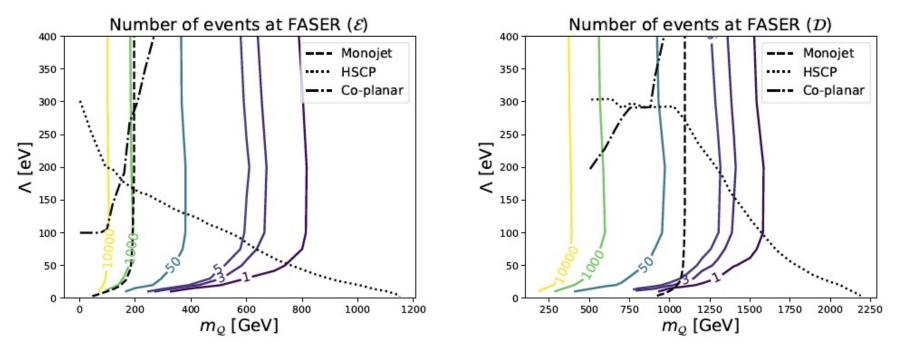
- Of course, the quirk anti-quirk system has low p_T .
- The pair therefore oscillates, with length scale ~ 1/ Λ_{hidden} .
- For a range of Λ_{hidden} , the quirk system travels down the beamline, escaping most LHC detectors, but ultimately leaving (strange!) tracks in FASER.

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QUIRK DISCOVERY PROSPECTS

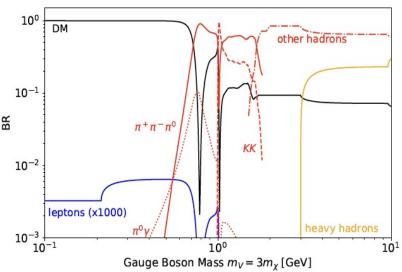
- Far-forward detectors at the LHC are ideally suited to search for quirks.
 - Like heavy particles, they require the LHC to be produced
 - Like light particles, they are dominantly produced along the beamline
- ~1000 of events possible at FASER in Run 3

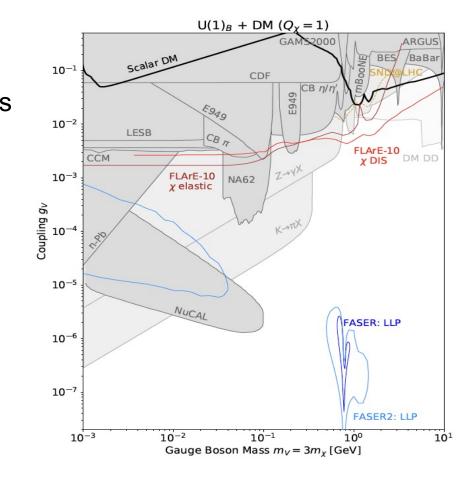


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NEW SIGNALS: B AND B-3τ GAUGE BOSONS

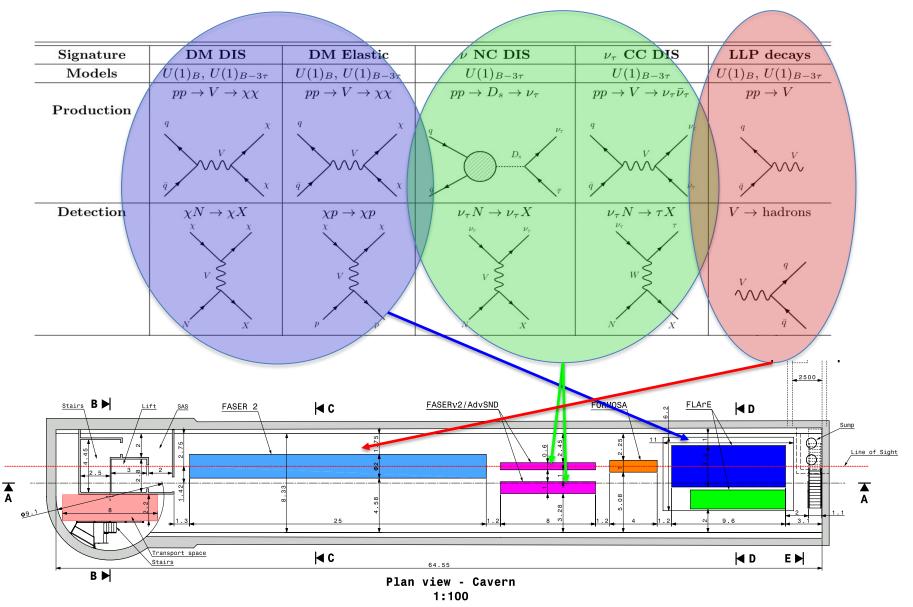
- Consider a light gauge boson coupled to baryon number
- Produced through $q\bar{q} \rightarrow V$
- Many interesting hadronic decays $V \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma, \ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0, \ K^+ K^-, \ K_S \ K_L$
- Greatly expands the standard e⁺e⁻, γγ signatures; similar signatures for "anomaly-free" gauge bosons





Batell, Feng, Fieg, Ismail, Kling, Abraham, Trojanowski, 2111.10343; see also Boyarsky, Mikulenko, Ovchynnikov, Shchutska, 2104.09688

SIGNATURES FOR OTHER FPF EXPERIMENTS



Batell, Feng, Fieg, Ismail, Kling, Abraham, Trojanowski, 2111.10343

PLANS

- The physics case for far-forward experiments at the LHC (FASER, FASER2, FASERv, FASERv2, SND@LHC, Advanced SND, FLArE, FORMOSA, ...) continues to be studied and continues to grow.
- Looking forward to continued progress within the PBC framework and also the Snowmass community exercise.
- FPF meetings
 - FPF Kickoff Meeting, 9-10 Nov 2020, https://indico.cern.ch/event/955956
 - FPF2 Meeting, 27-28 May 2021, https://indico.cern.ch/event/1022352
 - FPF3 Meeting, 25-26 Oct 2021, https://indico.cern.ch/event/1076733
- FPF Short Paper: 75 pages, 80 authors completed in Sept 2021 (2109.10905).
- The FPF White Paper (~200-300 pages) is being prepared to be submitted to Snowmass in February-March 2022.

