

Less simplified models of dark matter for direct detection and the LHC

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Plan of the Talk :

- Brief introduction to Simplified Dark Matter Models.
- Combining Two Models.
- Results.
- Conclusions.

Talk based on : A. Choudhury, K. Kowalska, L. Roszkowski, E. M. Sessolo, A. J. Williams; *JHEP* **1604**, 182 (2016) [[arXiv:1509.05771](https://arxiv.org/abs/1509.05771)].

Different approaches :

- Complete Models like mSUGRA or cMSSM etc. (the lightest neutralino \rightarrow good candidate for WIMP)
- Effective field theory (EFT) framework \rightarrow advantage of providing bounds in terms of a common contact operator \rightarrow a good approximation as long as the interaction is mediated by particles with masses well above the collision energy.
- Simplified Dark Matter Models.
 - Vector mediator $\rightarrow Z'$.
 - Scalar mediator or Higgs portal $\rightarrow H$.
 - Scalar t -channel mediators $\rightarrow \tilde{q}$.

Goodman and Shepherd (2011); J. Abdallah et al. (2014), (2015)

Models with Vector mediator:

- The mediator \rightarrow leptophobic Z' .
- The Dirac fermion singlet DM particle $\chi \rightarrow$ couples to the new gauge boson, Z' .
- Z' is assumed to have negligible mixing with the Z boson of the SM, and to not couple to the SM leptons.

The terms in the Lagrangian relevant to DM searches

$$\mathcal{L} \supset Z'_\mu \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu (g_\chi^V - g_\chi^A \gamma_5) \chi + \sum_i Z'_\mu \bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu (g_q^V - g_q^A \gamma_5) q_i$$

- Described By 4 (3) parameter $\rightarrow \{m_\chi, m_{Z'}, g_\chi^V, g_q^V\}$
- We limit ourselves \rightarrow WIMPs are produced at the LHC through an on-shell mediator: $m_{Z'} > 2m_\chi$.
- In this regime the production cross section and mediator width are largely independent of the spin structure of the couplings, so that we can set either $g_{\chi/q}^V$ or $g_{\chi/q}^A$ to zero without loss in generality.

Scalar mediator/Higgs portal:

- The Dirac fermion singlet DM particle (χ) \rightarrow couples to a new singlet real scalar (s).
- Scalar mediators have also been studied extensively in literature.

The terms in the Lagrangian relevant to DM searches

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -y_\chi \bar{\chi} \chi s - \mu_s s |\Phi|^2 - \lambda_s s^2 |\Phi|^2$$

- y_χ is the Yukawa coupling between the DM and the singlet
- μ_s is a mass term \rightarrow induces mixing between s and the SM Higgs doublet $\Phi \rightarrow$ gives rise to the Higgs boson after EWSB.
- Φ develops the SM VEV v : $\Phi \rightarrow 1/\sqrt{2} (0, v + h)^T$, which can be determined in terms of the SM mass and quartic couplings.

Scalar mediator/Higgs portal:

- The μ_s and λ_s Lagrangian terms produce an off-diagonal component in the (h, s) mass matrix.
- The mass matrix is diagonalized by a mixing matrix parametrized by a mixing angle θ

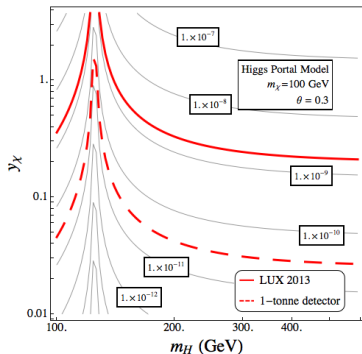
$$\begin{pmatrix} h_{\text{SM}} \\ H \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h \\ s \end{pmatrix}$$

After diagonalization the relevant terms for DM phenomenology

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -y_\chi (h_{\text{SM}} \sin \theta + H \cos \theta) \bar{\chi} \chi - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (h_{\text{SM}} \cos \theta - H \sin \theta) \sum_f y_f f \bar{f}$$

- In the spirit of phenomenology one can trade λ_s and μ_s for θ and m_H to produce a simplified model of DM.
- The DM simplified model is finally described by 4 parameters, $\{m_\chi, m_H, \sin 2\theta, y_\chi\}$

σ_p^{SI} for Higgs portal model



- For $m_H \approx m_{h_{\text{SM}}}$ the contributions due to h_{SM} and H cancel out and σ_p^{SI} is suppressed.
- This creates a blind spot for Direct Detection.

Scalar t -channel mediators:

- Scalar t -channel mediators \rightarrow charged under $\mathbf{SU}(3)$.
- Borrow the notation “squarks” ($\tilde{\mathbf{q}}$) as in MSSM.
- Our model is not necessarily SUSY based.
- We assume universality between the first two generations for the masses and couplings to the DM ($\mathbf{m}_{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}}$, $\mathbf{g}_{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}}$).

The terms in the Lagrangian relevant to DM searches

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \sum_{i=1,2} \mathbf{g}_{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}} \left(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_{i,R}^\dagger \bar{\chi} \mathbf{P}_R \mathbf{u}_i + \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_{i,L}^\dagger \bar{\chi} \mathbf{P}_L \mathbf{u}_i + \tilde{\mathbf{d}}_{i,R}^\dagger \bar{\chi} \mathbf{P}_R \mathbf{d}_i + \tilde{\mathbf{d}}_{i,L}^\dagger \bar{\chi} \mathbf{P}_L \mathbf{d}_i \right) + \text{h.c.}$$

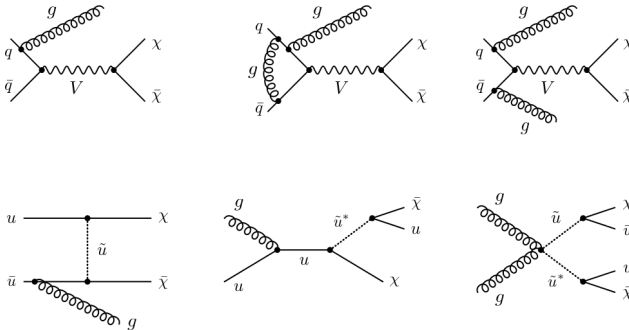
- We assume that the stability of the DM is protected by a discrete symmetry similar to R-parity.
- This simplified model is described by 3 parameters:

$$\{\mathbf{m}_\chi, \mathbf{m}_{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}}, \mathbf{g}_{\tilde{\mathbf{q}}}\}$$

Methodology and analysis of the combined models:

- **Model 1.** Combining vector and Higgs portal mediators.
(6 free parameters: $m_\chi, m_{Z'}, m_H, \theta, y_\chi, g_{\chi/q}^V$)
- **Model 2.** Combining Higgs portal and t -channel mediators.
(6 free parameters: $m_\chi, m_{\tilde{q}}, m_H, \theta, y_\chi, g_{\tilde{q}}$)
- **Model 3.** Combining vector and t -channel mediators.
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Methodology and analysis of the combined models:



- LHC Bounds : Mono-jet searches, searches with jets + missing E_T (MET), invisible branching fraction of the Higgs boson, and bounds on new heavy Z' resonances from the $t\bar{t}$ and di-jet invariant mass distributions.
- Bounds from DD searches.
- Implemented by: FeynRules, CalcHEP, micrOMEGAs, MadGraph5_aMC@NLO, PYTHIA and CheckMATE

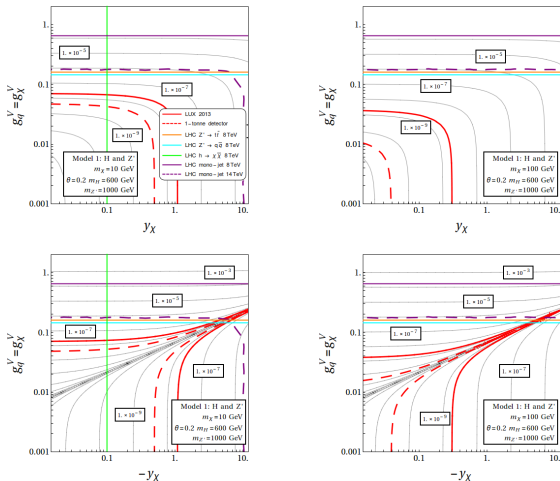
Model 1: combining Z' and Higgs portal

- Many UV complete models with a Z' also contain an extended scalar sector. (see for example: Basso, Fischer and vd Bij 2013)
- We consider a Z' vector boson associated to a new symmetry $U(1)_X$.
- A hypothetical extended scalar sector that will include, among others, a $U(1)_X$ -neutral SM singlet field s that couples to the SM Higgs and the DM particle.
- If all other degrees of freedom are decoupled, the low energy Lagrangian is just the sum of:

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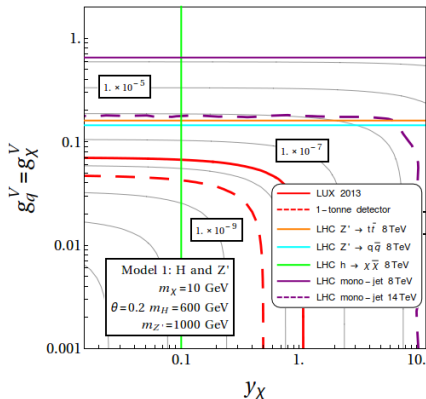
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Model 1: combining Z' and Higgs portal



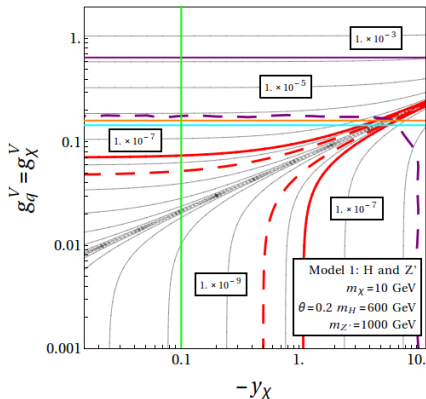
- (a) $m_\chi = 10 \text{ GeV}$, $m_{Z'} = 1000$, $\theta = 0.2$ and $m_H = 600$; (b) $m_\chi = 100 \text{ GeV}$.
- (c) Same as (a) but the sign of y_X is negative. (d) Same as (c) but $m_\chi = 100 \text{ GeV}$.

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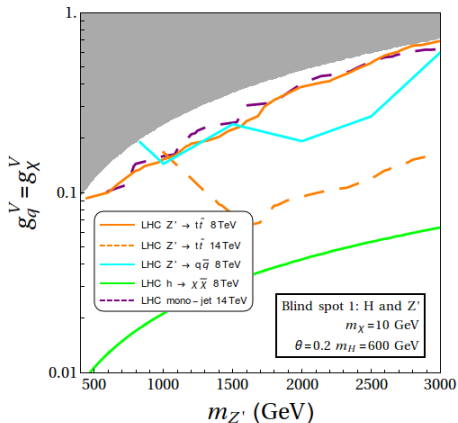
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- For $y_\chi < 0$, or if it is positive but $g_\chi^V = -g_q^V$, the diagrams corresponding to the Z' and Higgs portal interfere destructively and σ_p^{SI} becomes suppressed.
- the condition for the blind spot: $y_\chi \approx$

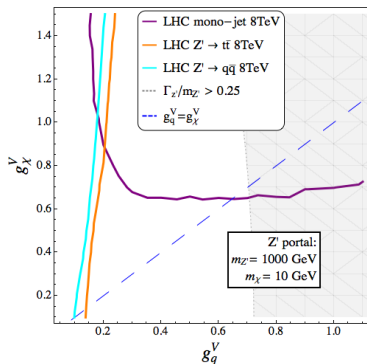
$$-\left(\frac{8.22 \times 10^7 \text{ GeV}^2}{m_{Z'}^2}\right) \frac{g_\chi^V g_q^V}{\sin 2\theta \left(1 - \frac{m_{\text{HSM}}^2}{m_H^2}\right)}$$

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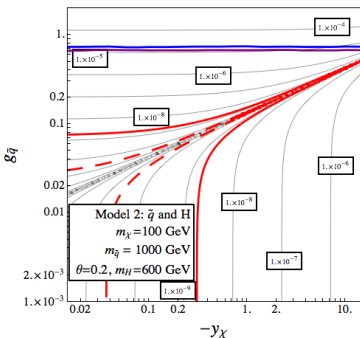
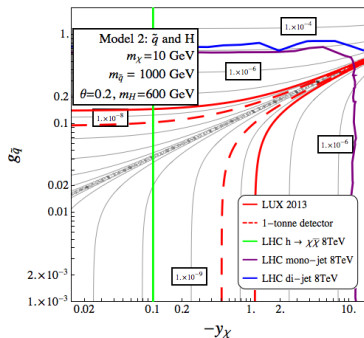
- Interplay of LHC constraints for the blind spot.
- for most of the parameter space the di-top and di-jet searches for heavy resonances are more sensitive to $g_{\chi/q}^V$ than the mono-jet search for DM.
- There remains a significant dependence on the underlying assumptions.

Comparison of the limits from mono-jet Vs Di-top(jet)



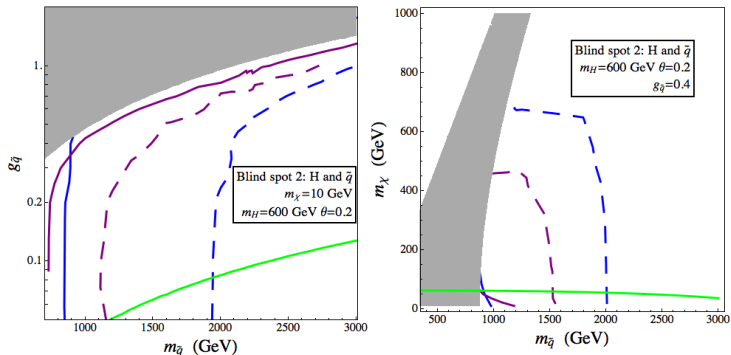
- For $g_\chi^V \neq g_q^V$ the upper bounds will move in the $(y_\chi, \sqrt{g_q^V g_\chi^V})$ plane.
- for $g_\chi^V < g_q^V$ the upper bounds from di-top and di-jet searches will become stronger.
- For $g_\chi^V > g_q^V$ it will be the other way around.

Model 2: combining Higgs portal and squarks



- $y_\chi > 0 \rightarrow$ no cancellations for σ_p^{SI} .
- The condition for the blind spot: $y_\chi \approx - \left(\frac{2.05 \times 10^7 \text{ GeV}^2}{m_{\tilde{q}}^2 - m_\chi^2} \right) \frac{g_{\tilde{q}}^2}{\sin 2\theta \left(1 - \frac{m_{\text{SM}}^2}{m_H^2} \right)}$.
- The parameter space that is not in reach of underground DD experiments remains essentially unconstrained.
- $m_{\tilde{q}} = 1000$ GeV \rightarrow the 14 TeV jets+MET and mono-jet searches \rightarrow expected to exclude the full parameter space.

Model 2: combining Higgs portal and squarks



- Interplay of LHC constraints for the blind spot.
- Invisible Brs of the Higgs yields the greatest constraint when $m_\chi < 62.5$ GeV.
- Jets + MET (blue) and mono-jet (purple) searches dominate in different regions of the parameter space.

Model 3: combining Z' and squarks

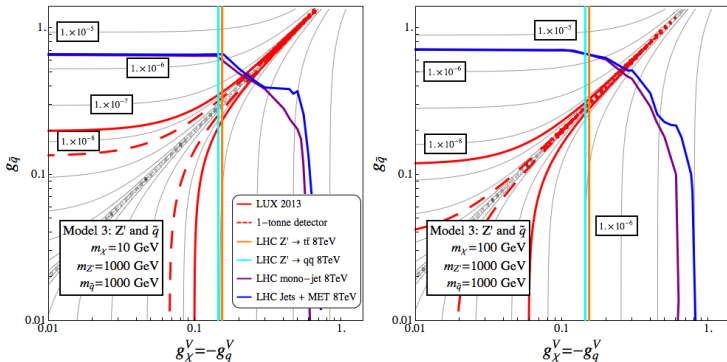
- A first simple way \rightarrow DM particle and the quarks have the same charges under $U(1)_X \rightarrow$ scalar colored particles are instead $U(1)_X$ neutral. \rightarrow the extra scalars do not couple to the $Z' \rightarrow$ No destructive interference between the diagrams with squark exchange and those with a Z' mediator.
- Another way of constructing a gauge invariant LSMS \rightarrow Allow the squarks to have the same coupling to the Z' as the quarks \rightarrow an approximation of a full UV theory involving an extended gauge symmetry and a supersymmetric sector.
- One needs two fermion SM singlet DM candidates, ξ and ζ , such that ξ is coupled to the Z' and ζ is coupled to the squarks. The symmetry is conserved if the fields are charged under $U(1)_X$ according to :

	Ψ	ξ	ζ	q_i	$\tilde{q}_{i,L/R}$
$U(1)_X$ charge	+1	+1	0	+1	+1

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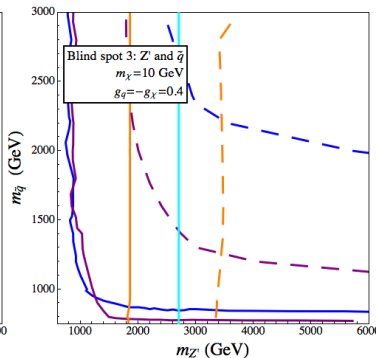
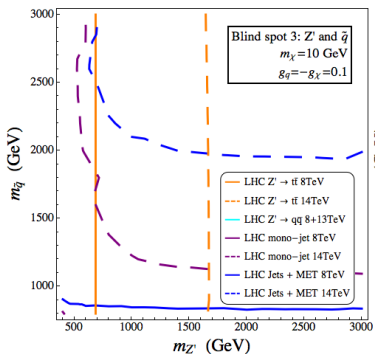
- Despite being apparently rather involved, the phenomenological LSMS is characterized by only 6 free parameters, $\{m_\chi, m_{\tilde{q}}, m_{Z'}, g_\chi^V, g_q^V, g_{\tilde{q}}\}$.
(additional assumption $g_\chi^V = \pm g_q^V \equiv g_{\chi/q}^V$)

Model 3: combining Z' and squarks



- The condition for the blind spot: $|g_{\tilde{q}}| \approx 2 \left| g_{\chi/q}^V \right| \frac{\sqrt{m_{\tilde{q}}^2 - m_\chi^2}}{m_{Z'}}$.
- mono-jet and jets+MET ATLAS searches yield very comparable bounds.
- for these mediator masses, the 14 TeV projected reach for both searches covers the full parameter space.

Model 3: combining Z' and squarks



- Dependence of the collider bounds on the mediators' mass.
- The condition for the blind spot: $|g_{\tilde{q}}| \approx 2 \left| g_{\chi/q}^V \right| \frac{\sqrt{m_{\tilde{q}}^2 - m_\chi^2}}{m_{Z'}}$.
- For $g_{\chi/q}^V = 0.1$, Z' mass below ~ 700 GeV is excluded by the di-top search.
- For $g_{\chi/q}^V = 0.4$, one can probe the squark mediator mass up to ~ 2000 GeV and Z' mass up to more than 3000 GeV.

Summary:

- We considered three cases characterized by a Dirac fermion WIMP coupled to **more than one mediator**.
- Interference between different diagrams \rightarrow gives rise to **blind spots** for DD experiments.
- The LUX upper bound on σ_p^{SI} constrains the coupling constants of WIMP SMS by at least one order of magnitude more **strongly** (Exceptions $\rightarrow m_\chi \lesssim 1/2 m_{h_{\text{SM}}}$).
- LUX bounds also **outperforms** projected reach for 14 TeV LHC in most cases.
- The model involving a Z' and Higgs portal \rightarrow **not constrained** at all by mono-jet searches in the blind spot if $g_\chi^V = g_q^V$.
- For the LHC 14 TeV \rightarrow heavy Z' resonances will constitute the most effective strategy.
- Models involving squark-like mediators the bounds from mono-jet and jets+MET searches on the coupling $g_{\tilde{q}}$ are at present **comparable**.
- The reach of 14 TeV LHC jets+MET searches for the blind spots significantly outperforms the expectations for mono-jet searches.

THANK YOU

Back Up

Model 1: combining Z' and Higgs portal

- The differential WIMP-nucleus scattering cross section in the non-relativistic limit:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\chi N}}{d|\mathbf{q}|^2} = \frac{1}{\pi v_\chi^2} [Zf_p + (A - Z)f_n]^2 F^2(Q) \quad \text{Jungman, Kamionkowski and Griest (1996)}$$

$|\mathbf{q}|$ - transferred momentum, Z - atomic number, A the atomic weight, v_χ - average speed of the DM in the halo, and $F(Q)$ is the Wood-Saxon function as a function of $Q = |\mathbf{q}|^2/2m_N$.

$$f_n \approx f_p \approx \frac{y_\chi \sin 2\theta}{4 m_{h_{\text{SM}}}^2} \left(1 - \frac{m_{h_{\text{SM}}}^2}{m_H^2}\right) \frac{m_p}{v} \left(\sum_{q=u,d,s} f_{Tq} + \frac{2}{9} f_{TG}\right) + \frac{3}{2} \frac{g_\chi^V g_q^V}{m_{Z'}^2}$$

In the relativistic WIMP-quark scattering, $q(p_1)\chi(p_3) \rightarrow q(p_2)\chi(p_4)$, the squared amplitude reads:

$$|\mathcal{A}|^2 = 2 \frac{\sin^2 2\theta y_q^2 y_\chi^2 (m_p^2 + p_1 p_2)(m_\chi^2 + p_3 p_4)}{[(p_1 - p_2)^2 - m_{h_{\text{SM}}}^2]^2} + \frac{(g_\chi^V g_q^V)^2 (16m_p^2 - 8p_1 p_2)(16m_\chi^2 - 8p_3 p_4)}{[(p_1 - p_2)^2 - m_{Z'}^2]^2}$$

$$+ \frac{16}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\sin 2\theta y_q y_\chi g_\chi^V g_q^V m_p m_\chi (p_1 + p_2)^\mu (p_3 + p_4)_\mu}{[(p_1 - p_2)^2 - m_{h_{\text{SM}}}^2][(p_1 - p_2)^2 - m_{Z'}^2]}$$

the condition for the blind spot: $y_\chi \approx - \left(\frac{8.22 \times 10^7 \text{ GeV}^2}{m_{Z'}^2} \right) \frac{g_\chi^V g_q^V}{\sin 2\theta \left(1 - \frac{m_{h_{\text{SM}}}^2}{m_H^2}\right)}$.

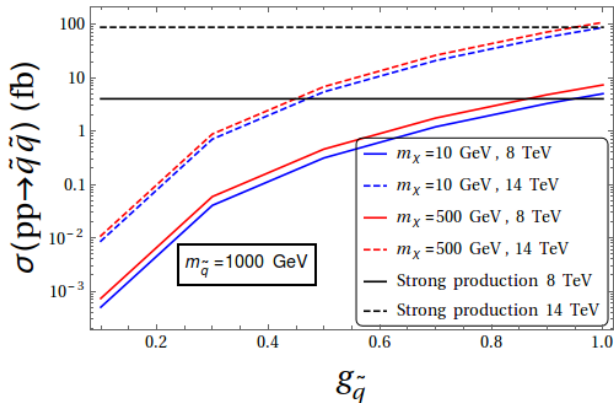
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the condition for the blind spot:

$$y_\chi \approx - \left(\frac{2.05 \times 10^7 \text{ GeV}^2}{m_{\tilde{q}}^2 - m_\chi^2} \right) \frac{g_{\tilde{q}}^2}{\sin 2\theta \left(1 - \frac{m_{h_{\text{SM}}}^2}{m_H^2} \right)}.$$

Model 2: Cross section for squark production



- Cross section for squark production through t -channel DM exchange at the LHC.
- Solid black line shows the cross section for strong squark production.
- The cross sections for strong and t -channel DM exchange production of the squarks become of equal size when $g_{\tilde{q}} \approx 0.9$

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- The low energy Lagrangian can contain the additional terms,

$$\mathcal{L} \supset y_1 \Psi \bar{\xi} \zeta + \frac{1}{2} m_\xi \bar{\xi} \xi + \frac{1}{2} m_\zeta \bar{\zeta} \zeta + \text{h.c.}$$

where Ψ is the field that breaks $U(1)_X$ when it gets a vev $\Psi \rightarrow v_\Psi + \psi$, with ψ a decoupled physical scalar.

- After the symmetry is broken, ξ and ζ mix giving rise to two mass eigenstates: χ_1 and χ_2 which, if we assume $m_\xi, m_\zeta \ll y_1 v_\Psi$, are almost mass degenerate with a mass $m_\chi = y_1 v_\Psi$ and maximal mixing.
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