# Dark Matter and QCD-Charged Mediators in the Quasi-Degenerate Regime

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#### Squark mass limits from jets + MET searches

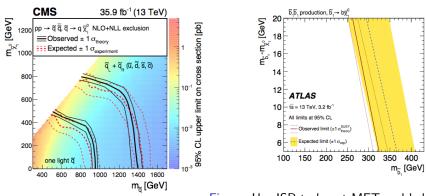


Figure: Simplified models only i considering production of light flavor squark pairs, see *CMS* 1704.07781

Figure: Use ISR to boost MET and help identify signal events, *ATLAS 1604.07773* 

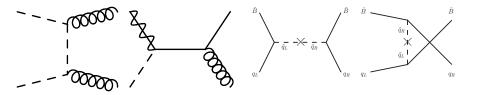
# Resurrect "bulk" region by relaxing MFV, allowing light $\tilde{f}$

#### Light flavor squark co-annihilation

- pure B̃ need sfermions with L-R mixing, nondegenerate masses for s-wave annihilation
- LHC less sensitive for  $m_{\chi} \simeq m_{\tilde{q}} \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(400 \, {
  m GeV})$
- need  $\tilde{q}^*\tilde{q} 
  ightarrow gg$ ,  $\chi \tilde{q} 
  ightarrow gq$

#### Scattering through squark exchange

- enhanced scattering cross section for  $m_\chi \simeq m_{ ilde q}$
- need small mixing angle for consistency with SI limits
- dim-8/spin-dependent operators can dominate



Relic density

# "Simplified" model with singlet DM, squark mediator(s)

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = \sum_{q=u,d,s} \lambda_{Lq} (\bar{\chi} P_L q) \tilde{q}_L^* + \lambda_{Rq} (\bar{\chi} P_R q) \tilde{q}_R^* + h.c.$$
$$\tilde{q}_L = \tilde{q}_1 \cos \alpha + \tilde{q}_2 \sin \alpha$$
$$\tilde{q}_R = -\tilde{q}_1 \sin \alpha + \tilde{q}_2 \cos \alpha$$

Gauge invariance requires squark couplings to SM gauge bosons

$$\langle \sigma v(\tilde{q}^*\tilde{q} \to gg) \rangle = \frac{7g_s^4 N_{\tilde{q}}}{432\pi m_{\tilde{q}}^2} \left[ N_{\tilde{q}} + \frac{\exp\left(\Delta m/T\right)}{3\left(1 + \Delta m/m_{\chi}\right)^{3/2}} \right]^{-2}$$

• For small  $\Delta m = m_{\tilde{q}} - m_{\chi}$ , QCD processes dominate annihilation

- Temperature at freeze out  $T \simeq m_{\chi}/25$  for correct relic density
- Sum over  $N_{\tilde{q}}$  mass degenerate light flavor squarks species

Relic density

#### Co-annihilation processes needed to deplete relic desity

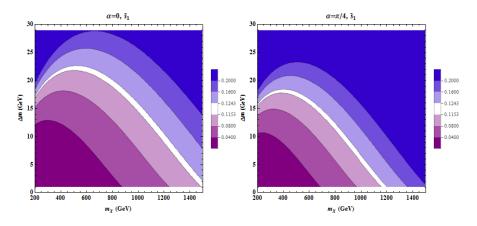


Figure: Relic density contours for benchmarks with a light d/s-type squark.

Light flavor squark co-annihilation

Relic density

#### Adding squarks can raise or lower *effective* $\langle \sigma v \rangle$

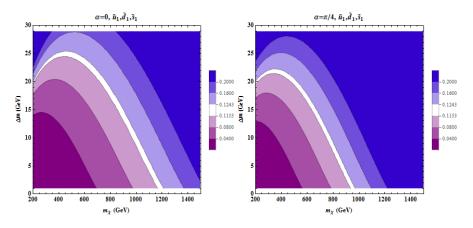


Figure: Relic density contours for benchmarks with light *u*-, *d*- and *s*-type squarks.

Direct detection

# Relevant operators for squark exchange with $m_{\tilde{q}_1} \ll m_{\tilde{q}_2}$

$$\mathcal{O}_{q1} = \alpha_{q1}(\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5}\chi)(\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}q)$$
  
$$\mathcal{O}_{a2} = \alpha_{a2}(\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5}\chi)(\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma^{5}q)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{q2} = \alpha_{q2}(\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5}\chi)(\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma^{5}\chi)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{q3} = \alpha_{q3}(\bar{\chi}\chi)(\bar{q}q)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{qT2} = \alpha_{qT2} (i \bar{\chi} \gamma_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \chi) \mathcal{O}_{q}^{(2)\mu\nu}$$

#### Scattering enhanced $m_{\chi} \simeq m_{\tilde{g}_1}$

- $\mathcal{O}_{a1^*,3,T2}$  spin independent
- $\mathcal{O}_{a2}$  spin dependent
- $\mathcal{O}_{a2.3,T2}$  velocity independent

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{q1,2} &= \mp \left[ \frac{|\lambda_L^2|}{8} \left( \frac{\cos^2 \alpha}{m_{\tilde{q}_1}^2 - m_{\chi}^2} \right) + \frac{|\lambda_R^2|}{8} \left( \frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{m_{\tilde{q}_1}^2 - m_{\chi}^2} \right) \right] \\ \alpha_{q3} &= \frac{Re(\lambda_L \lambda_R^*)}{4} (\cos \alpha \sin \alpha) \left[ \frac{1}{m_{\tilde{q}_1}^2 - m_{\chi}^2} \right] \\ \alpha_{qT2} &= \frac{|\lambda_L^2|}{4} \left( \frac{\cos^2 \alpha}{(m_{\tilde{q}_1}^2 - m_{\chi}^2)^2} \right) + \frac{|\lambda_R^2|}{4} \left( \frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{(m_{\tilde{q}_1}^2 - m_{\chi}^2)^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Light flavor squark co-annihilation D

Direct detection

# $\mathcal{O}_{q3}$ ( $\mathcal{O}_{qT2}$ ) dominates in Xenon at large (small) mixing

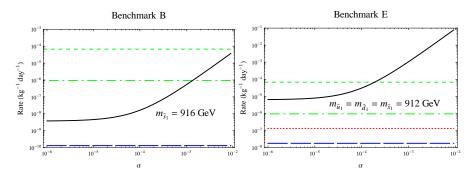


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Direct detection

#### Projected sensitivity of direct detection at LZ-7



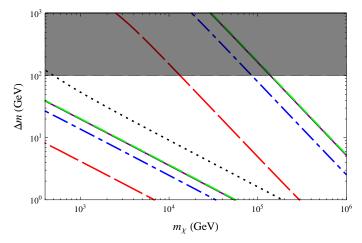


Figure: Projected LZ-7 sensitivity for benchmarks  $\tilde{u}_1, \tilde{s}_1, \tilde{u}_1 \tilde{d}_1 \tilde{s}_1, \tilde{u}_1 \tilde{u}_2$ .

#### Constraints applied to new MSSM paradigm

Light squark co-annihilation	Slepton mediators		
• need $\tilde{q}\chi$ and $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}$ inital states to deplete relic density	• for more "Incredible Bulk", see 1406.4903		
<ul> <li>small mixing angle requires more general treatment of direct detection</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>can look for compressed sleptons at LHC, <b>1706.05339</b></li> <li>can probe full parameter space</li> </ul>		
• dim-8 or SD operators can dominate scattering at small $\alpha$	at ILC, <b>coming soon</b> • direct (1608.00642), indirect		
<ul> <li>can probe squark masses higher than accessible at LHC</li> </ul>	(1605.03224) detection		

#### Thank you!



#### Figure: See 1411.2634

#### LSP is a natural WIMP candidate in the MSSM

#### *R*-parity suppresses proton decay

- $R = (-1)^{3B+L+2s}$
- Provides stable WIMP candidate

#### Neutralino in MSSM

- Mixture of neutral gauginos and higgsinos
- SM interactions depend on specific model
- mSUGRA tightly constrained

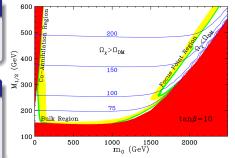


Figure: Cosmologically preferred mSUGRA regions are in green with  $A_0 = 0$  and  $\mu > 0$ . Blue contours denote neutralino masses, see *Feng 1003.0904*.

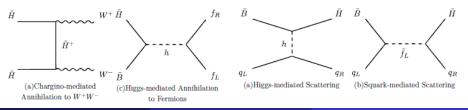
# Typical mSUGRA/CMSSM scenario with $\tilde{B}$ - $\tilde{H}$ admixture

#### Relic density with $\bar{\chi}\chi \rightarrow WW, ff$

- Assuming gaugino mass unification (at least  $M_1 \lesssim M_2$ ), yields neutralino with small  $\widetilde{W}$
- Minimal flavor violation eliminates sfermion mixing
- Need  $\mu/m_{\chi}\sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  for *s*-wave see e.g. Feng, Sanford 1009.3934

#### SI scattering with Higgs exchange

- Scalar mediated interactions are velocity independent
- Minimal flavor violation guarantees coupling  $\sim m_q$
- LHC data and  $m_h \simeq 125 \, {\rm GeV}$ push unified  $m_{\tilde{f}} \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(\, {\rm TeV})$ see e.g. Baer et. al. 1112.3017



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#### Relic density for $\tilde{u}_1$

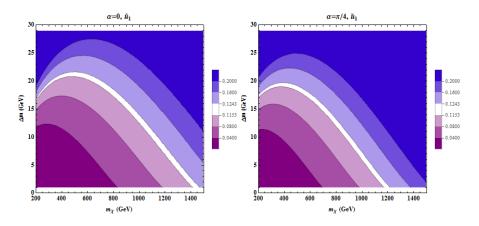


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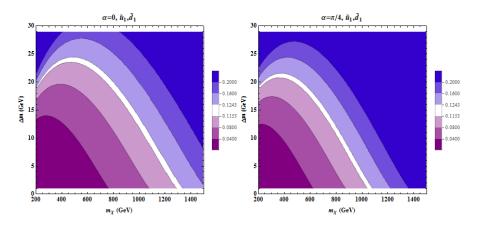


Figure: Relic density contours for benchmarks with light *u*- and *d*-type squarks.

#### Relic density for $\tilde{u}_1 \tilde{u}_2$

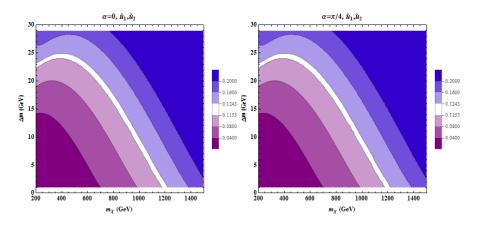


Figure: Relic density contours for benchmarks with two light *u*-type squarks.

#### $\tilde{u}_1$ and $\tilde{u}_1\tilde{u}_2$ in Xenon

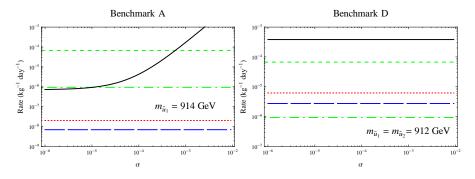


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# $\tilde{s}_1$ and $\tilde{u}_1 \tilde{d}_1 \tilde{s}_1$ in Fluorine

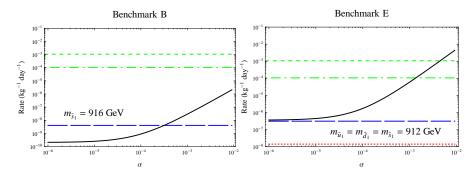


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#### $\tilde{u}_1$ and $\tilde{u}_1\tilde{u}_2$ in Fluorine

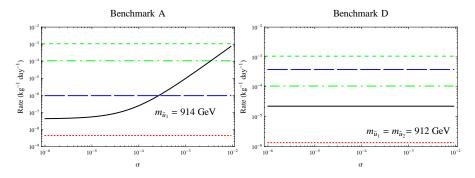


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#### Current sensitivity of direct detection at XENON1T

XENON1T

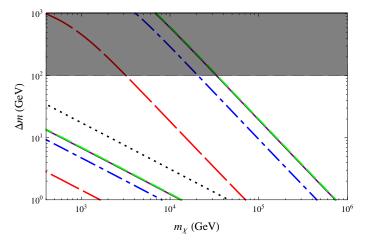


Figure: Current XENON1T sensitivity for benchmarks  $\tilde{u}_1, \tilde{s}_1, \tilde{u}_1 \tilde{d}_1 \tilde{s}_1, \tilde{u}_1 \tilde{u}_2$ .

#### Projected sensitivity of direct detection at PICO-250

PICO-250

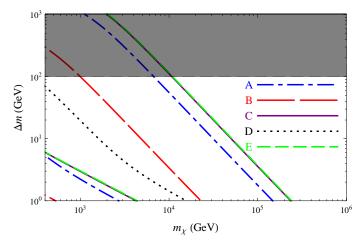


Figure: Projected PICO-250 sensitivity for benchmarks  $\tilde{u}_1, \tilde{s}_1, \tilde{u}_1\tilde{d}_1\tilde{s}_1, \tilde{u}_1\tilde{u}_2$ .

#### Current sensitivity of direct detection at PICO-60

PICO-60

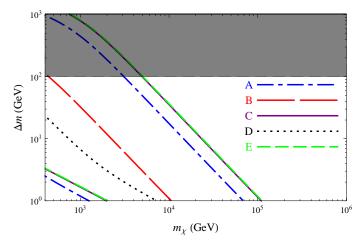


Figure: Current PICO-60 sensitivity for benchmarks  $\tilde{u}_1, \tilde{s}_1, \tilde{u}_1 \tilde{d}_1 \tilde{s}_1, \tilde{u}_1 \tilde{u}_2$ .

#### Can also satisfy relic density with L-R slepton mixing

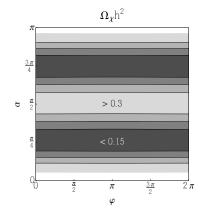


Figure: Bino relic abundance assuming smuon mixing with  $m_{\chi} = 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $m_{\tilde{\mu}_1} = 120 \text{ GeV}$  and  $m_{\tilde{\mu}_2} = 300 \text{ GeV}$ .

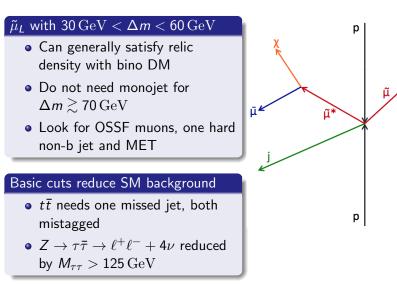
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{int} &= \lambda_L \tilde{\ell}_L \bar{\chi} P_L \ell + \lambda_R \tilde{\ell}_R \bar{\chi} P_R \ell \\ &+ \lambda_L^* \tilde{\ell}_L^* \bar{\chi} P_L I + \lambda_R^* \tilde{\ell}_R^* \bar{\chi} P_R \ell \\ \lambda_L &= \sqrt{2} g Y_L e^{i\phi/2} \\ \lambda_R &= \sqrt{2} g Y_R e^{-i\phi/2} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\ell}_1 \\ \tilde{\ell}_2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\ell}_L \\ \tilde{\ell}_R \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

L-R mixing angle  $\alpha,$  CP-violating phase  $\phi$ 

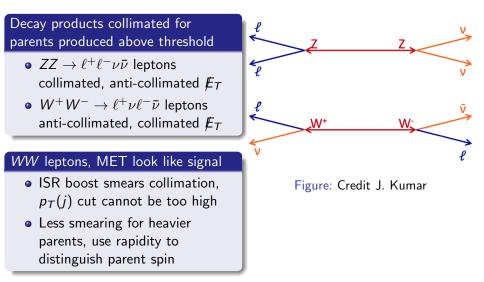
Dipole moments constrain mixing

Rule out  $\tilde{e}$ , constrain  $\tilde{\mu}$ , allow  $\tilde{\tau}$ 

#### Can use ISR to boost MET and help S-B discrimination



### Angular variables can help reduce remaining backgrounds



# For $p_T(\ell) \ll p_T(j)$ , signal MET balanced by $p_T(j)$

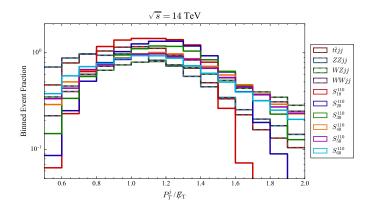


Figure:  $1.0 < p_T(j)/\not\!\!\!\!/ E_T < 1.3$  cut for smaller mass differences

#### $ZZ \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \nu \bar{\nu}$ has leptons recoiling against MET

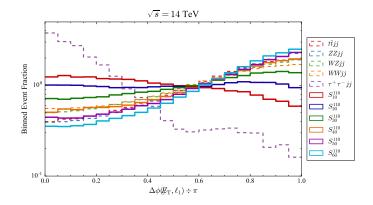


Figure:  $\Delta \phi(\not\!\!\!E_T, \ell_1) < 0.6\pi$  helps for intermediate mass differences

#### $W^+W^- \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu \ell^- \bar{\nu}$ has less anti-collimated leptons

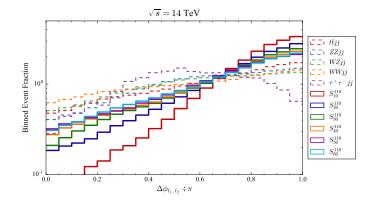


Figure:  $\Delta \phi(\ell_1, \ell_2) > 0.5\pi$  suppresses background with lighter parents

# $\cos heta^*_{\ell_1,\ell_2} = anh(\Delta \eta_{\ell_1,\ell_2}/2)$ depends on parents' spin

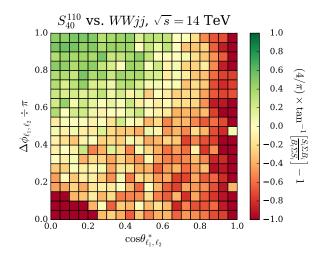
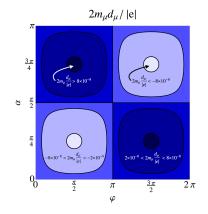


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#### Dipole moment contributions from L-R slepton mixing



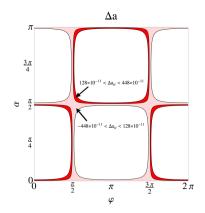
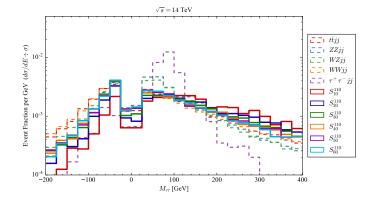
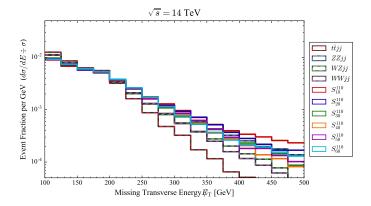


Figure: Muon electric dipole moment contribution assuming smuon mixing with  $m_X = 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $m_{\tilde{\mu}_1} = 120 \text{ GeV}$  and  $m_{\tilde{\mu}_2} = 300 \text{ GeV}$ . All unconstrained.

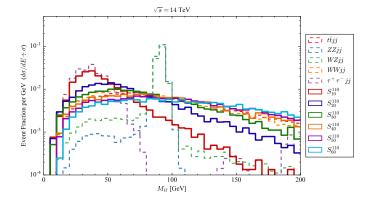
Figure: Muon magnetic dipole moment contribution either fully accounting for measured value (red) or only similar in magnitude (pink).



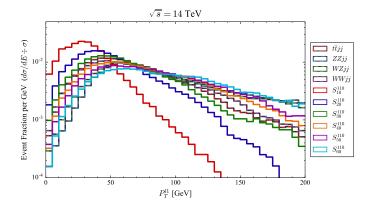
#### MET cut helps $t\bar{t}$ background



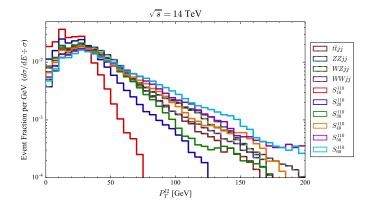
#### Window cut on $m_{\ell\ell}$ around $m_Z$



#### Leading lepton $p_T$



#### Subleading lepton $p_T$



#### Primary and secondary cuts

Selection	ZZjj	WZjj	WWjj	$S_{30}^{110}$	$S_{40}^{110}$	$S_{50}^{110}$
Matched Production	$1.3  imes 10^4$	$4.2  imes 10^4$	$9.5 imes10^4$	$1.9  imes 10^2$	$1.9  imes 10^2$	$1.9  imes 10^2$
$\tau$ -veto	$1.2  imes 10^4$	$4.0  imes 10^4$	$8.9  imes 10^4$	$1.9 imes10^2$	$1.9  imes 10^2$	$1.9  imes 10^2$
OSSF muon	$3.2 \times 10^2$	$5.8  imes 10^2$	$5.1  imes 10^2$	$8.1  imes 10^1$	$8.8  imes 10^1$	$8.9  imes 10^1$
only 1J $P_T > 30$	$9.4  imes 10^1$	$1.5  imes 10^2$	$1.1 \times 10^{2}$	$1.6  imes 10^1$	$1.7  imes 10^1$	$1.7  imes 10^1$
Jet <i>b</i> -veto	$8.0  imes 10^1$	$1.4  imes 10^2$	$1.1 \times 10^{2}$	$1.6  imes 10^1$	$1.7  imes 10^1$	$1.7  imes 10^1$
$\not\!$	$4.3  imes 10^0$	$7.8 imes10^{0}$	$1.7  imes 10^1$	$2.5  imes 10^{0}$	$3.4  imes 10^0$	$3.8 imes10^{0}$
Jet $P_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$	$1.4  imes 10^0$	$4.0  imes 10^0$	$1.0 \times 10^1$	$1.8  imes 10^0$	$1.9  imes 10^0$	$1.8  imes 10^0$
$m_{\ell\ell} \notin M_Z \pm 10 \text{ GeV}$	$1.0  imes 10^{-1}$	$1.0 imes10^{0}$	$8.9 imes10^0$	$1.6 imes10^0$	$1.6 imes10^{0}$	$1.5  imes 10^0$
$m_{ au au}>175{ m GeV}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.5  imes 10^{0}$	$9.3  imes 10^{-1}$	$9.3  imes 10^{-1}$	$9.3 imes10^{-1}$
$\not\!$	$8.3 \times 10^{-3}$	$9.9 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.3  imes 10^0$	$3.5 \times 10^{-1}$	$3.1 \times 10^{-1}$	$3.2 \times 10^{-1}$
$\int$ Jet $P_T > 175 \; \text{GeV}$	$6.6  imes 10^{-3}$	$8.7 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.2 \times 10^{0}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.6 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.6  imes 10^{-1}$

#### Tertiary cuts targeted at larger mass gaps

Selection	ZZjj	WZjj	WWjj	$S_{30}^{110}$	$S_{40}^{110}$	$S_{50}^{110}$
$M_{T2}^{WW} < 1 \text{ GeV}$	$3.9 \times 10^{-3}$	$7.0 \times 10^{-2}$	$8.6 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-1}$
$0.8 < P_T^j \div E_T < 1.8$	$3.9 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.6 \times 10^{-2}$	$7.5  imes 10^{-1}$	$2.7 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.9  imes 10^{-1}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$
$\Delta \phi(\not\!$	$3.9 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.4 \times 10^{-2}$	$7.2 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.6 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.9  imes 10^{-1}$	$1.6 \times 10^{-1}$
$\Delta \phi(\ell_1,\ell_2) \div \pi > 0.5$	$2.7 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.1 \times 10^{-2}$	$5.6  imes 10^{-1}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.6  imes 10^{-1}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-1}$
$P_T^{\ell 2} > 40 \text{ GeV}$	0	$1.1 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.3 \times 10^{-1}$	$9.4 \times 10^{-2}$	$8.7 \times 10^{-2}$	$8.4 \times 10^{-2}$
Events at $\mathcal{L} = 300 \; \mathrm{fb}^{-1}$	0.0	3.4	68.5	28.2	26.1	25.2
$S \div B$	-	-	-	0.34	0.31	0.30
$S \div \sqrt{B}$	-	-	-	3.1	2.9	2.8
Poisson Significance	-	-	-	3.2	3.0	2.9

Stable, thermally produced particle will freeze out with relic abundance

$$\Omega_X \sim 1/\langle \sigma_A v 
angle$$

largely independent of DM mass,  $m_X$ 

Assuming a weak coupling, dimensioanlly, the cross section

$$\langle \sigma_{\mathcal{A}} v 
angle \sim rac{g_{weak}^4}{m_X^2} (1 \, \, or \, \, v^2)$$

 $m_X \sim m_{weak}$  will yield the correct  $\Omega_{DM}$  for s- or p-wave annihilation

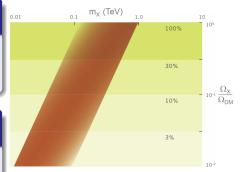


Figure: See Feng 1003.0904.

#### Weak scale DM motivated by new physics models

Stabilize gauge hierarchy problem  $\rightarrow$  new weak scale particles

- Lightest new particle protected by discreet symmetry
- Provides WIMP candidate

#### Neutralino in MSSM

- Mixture of neutral gauginos and higgsinos
- SM interactions depend on specific model
- mSUGRA tightly constrained

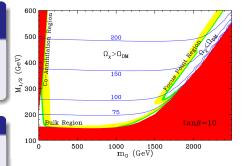


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#### MSSM parmeter space decouples into 3 sectors

- Heavy sector: Choose μ, heavy squark masses, and top trilinear couplings to obtain a SM Higgs. Decouple M<sub>2</sub>, M<sub>3</sub> etc. to satisfy LHC.
- *Relic Density sector*: Choose slepton masses and mixings to achieve the dark matter relic abundance. Alternatively, the abundance may be achieved via coannihilations with squarks.
- Direct Detection sector: For a given bino mass, neutralino-nucleon elastic scattering cross sections are determined by the light squark masses and mixings.

#### PDF suppression of 2nd generation squark production

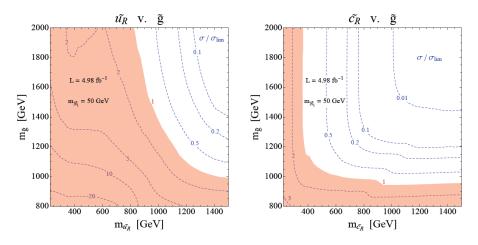


Figure: As  $m_{\tilde{g}}$  falls, *t*-channel gluino exchange becomes important, see Mahbubani et. al. 1212.3328.

#### Scattering through scalar exchange in non-relativistic limit

$$\sigma_{SI}^{N} = \frac{\mu_{p}^{2}}{32\pi(2J_{X}+1)} \sum_{spins} \left| \sum_{q} \frac{B_{q}^{N}}{m_{X}m_{q}} \mathcal{M}_{Xq \to Xq} \right|^{2}$$

$$B_{q}^{N} = \langle N | \bar{q}q | N \rangle = m_{N} f_{q}^{N} / m_{q}$$

$$B_{u}^{p} = B_{d}^{n} = \tilde{\Sigma}_{\pi N} \left[ 1 + (1-y) \left( \frac{z-1}{z+1} \right) \right]$$

$$B_{d}^{p} = B_{u}^{n} = \tilde{\Sigma}_{\pi N} \left[ 1 - (1-y) \left( \frac{z-1}{z+1} \right) \right]$$

$$B_{s}^{p} = B_{s}^{n} = \tilde{\Sigma}_{\pi N} y, \quad \Sigma_{\pi N} = (m_{u} + m_{d}) \tilde{\Sigma}_{\pi N}$$

Largest uncertainty from strangeness content of nucleon  $\mathbf{y} = 1 - \sigma_0 / \Sigma_{\pi N}$  $\Sigma_{\pi N} \sim 59 \,\text{MeV}$  can be determined from  $\pi$ -N scattering.  $z \simeq 1.49$  and  $\sigma_0$  can be fit from baryon octet mass differences in chiral pert. theory

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#### Can also calculate $\sigma_0$ on the lattice and predict small $\Sigma_{\pi N}$

	$y \rightarrow 0$	<i>y</i> = 0.06	y  ightarrow 1
$B_u^p = B_d^n$	9.95 (7.59, 12.2)	9.85 (7.51, 12.1)	8.31 (6.34, 10.3)
$B_d^p = B_u^n$	6.67 (5.09, 8.38)	6.77 (5.17, 8.46)	8.31 (6.34, 10.3)
$B_s^{\tilde{p}} = B_s^n$	0	0.499 (0.380, 0.617)	8.31 (6.34, 10.3)

Table: Can end up with either small  $\sigma_0 \lesssim \Sigma_{\pi N}$  or  $\sigma_0 \sim \Sigma_{\pi N}$ . We assume the central value for  $\Sigma_{\pi N}$  of 59 MeV, with the numbers in parentheses indicating the  $2\sigma$  range for  $\Sigma_{\pi N}$  (45 MeV, 73 MeV), see Alarcon, Camalich, Oller 1110.3797.

$$B_{q=c,b,t}^{N} = rac{2}{27} rac{m_{N}}{m_{q}} f_{g}^{N}, \ f_{g}^{N} = 1 - \sum_{q=u,d,s} f_{q}^{N}$$

Quark loops could couple heavy flavor squarks to gluon content in nucleon Recall, for squark mixing, we have  $\mathcal{M}_{Xq \to Xq} \sim m_q$ , so q = c, b, tcontributions to  $\sigma_{SI}^N$  will be suppressed by  $m_q^{-2}$  without MFV couplings.

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#### Calculate cross section and check dipole moments

$$\sigma_{SI}^{N} = \frac{\mu_{\rho}^{2}}{4\pi} \left\{ \sum_{q} g^{2} Y_{L} Y_{Rq} \sin(2\phi_{\tilde{q}}) \left[ \frac{1}{(m_{\tilde{q}_{1}}^{2} - m_{X}^{2})} - \frac{1}{(m_{\tilde{q}_{2}}^{2} - m_{X}^{2})} \right] B_{q}^{N} \lambda_{q} \right\}^{2}$$

where  $\lambda_q$  accounts for running from the weak scale. For  $m_X \ll m_{\tilde{q}_1} \ll m_{\tilde{q}_2}$ 

$$\frac{\Delta a}{m_q} \sim \frac{m_X}{16\pi^2 m_{\tilde{q}_1}^2} g^2 Y_L Y_{Rq} \sin(2\phi_{\tilde{q}})$$
  
$$\sigma_{SI}^N \sim (1.1 \times 10^9 \text{ pb GeV}^2) \left(\sum_q \frac{\Delta a_q}{m_q} \frac{B_q^N}{0.5}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_X}{50 \text{ GeV}}\right)^{-2}$$

Direct detection already rules out models with  $\Delta a_q (\text{GeV}/m_q) \gtrsim 10^{-9}$ 

No contribution to quark EDM and quark MDM limits are relatively weak LEP constrains current quark moments by checking  $\Gamma_Z$  contributions and LHC constrains chromomagnetic moments; most stringent  $\Delta a_q \lesssim 10^{-5}$ 

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### Assume $m_X = 50$ GeV, maximal mixing and minimal $B_s^N$

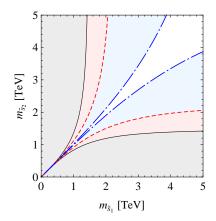


Figure: The grey region is ruled out by **LUX**, the red region could be ruled out by 300 days of LUX data and the blue region could be probed by LZ-7.

### Direct detection with decoupled $m_{\tilde{s}_2}$ and minimal $B_s^N$

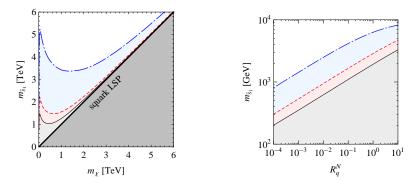


Figure: Sensitivity in the  $(m_X, m_{\tilde{s}_1})$  plane assuming maximal mixing (left) and  $(R_s^N, m_{\tilde{s}_1})$  plane with  $R_q^N \equiv Y_{Rq}^2 \sin^2(2\phi_{\tilde{q}})(B_q^N)^2 \lambda_q^2$  and  $m_X = 50$  GeV (right).

 $\sigma_{SI}^{N} \sim \frac{\mu_{p}^{2} R_{q}^{N}}{(m_{\tilde{q}_{1}}^{2} - m_{\chi}^{2})^{2}}$ • Enhanced sensitivity near  $m_{\chi} \simeq m_{\tilde{q}_{1}}$ • Squark mass reach comperable to LHC

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#### Uncertainty in SI scattering due to strangeness content

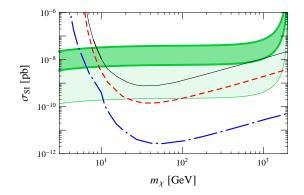


Figure: Sensitivity in the  $(m_{\tilde{\chi}}, \sigma_{SI}^N)$  plane with with  $m_{\tilde{s}_1} = 2$  TeV and maximal mixing. The dark green band indicates the predicted SI-scattering cross section for  $\sigma_0 = 27$  MeV and allowing the full  $2\sigma$  range for  $\Sigma_{\pi N}$  of 45 MeV to 73 MeV.