Spin-dependent constraints on blind spots for singlino-Higgsino dark matter in the NMSSM

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In (N)MSSM:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{\chi\chi h_i} &= \sqrt{2}\lambda \left(S_{i1}N_{14}N_{15} + S_{i2}N_{13}N_{15} + S_{i3}N_{13}N_{14} \right) - \sqrt{2}\kappa S_{i3}N_{15}^2 \\ &+ g_1 \left(S_{i1}N_{11}N_{13} - S_{i2}N_{11}N_{14} \right) - g_2 \left(S_{i1}N_{12}N_{13} - S_{i2}N_{12}N_{14} \right) \\ \alpha_{h_iNN} &= \frac{m_N}{\sqrt{2}\nu} \left(\frac{S_{i1}}{\cos\beta}F_d^{(N)} + \frac{S_{i2}}{\sin\beta}F_u^{(N)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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- For small $|\gamma|$ blind spot requires small $|\eta|$ and hence:
 - strongly singlino(Higgsino)-dominated LSP
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Conclusions:

- because m_s < m_h, the LHS can be one order of magnitude larger as compared to the case of only h exchange
- ► in general NMSSM we can have $\Omega h^2 \approx 0.12$ and other experimental bounds fulfilled even for $\Delta_{mix} \sim 4$ GeV

 \mathbb{Z}_3 -NMSSM – only *h* exchange (heavy singlet)

$$\gamma = -\eta \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{m_{\chi}}{\mu} - \sin 2\beta \approx \gamma \frac{\kappa}{\lambda} \left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda \nu}\right) \left(1 - \left(\frac{m_{\chi}}{\mu}\right)^2\right)$$

 $\operatorname{sgn}(m_{\chi}\mu) = \operatorname{sgn}(\kappa) \qquad |\kappa| < \frac{1}{2}\lambda \text{ (for singlino-like LSP)}$

$$m_s^2 + \frac{1}{3}m_a^2 \approx m_{\rm LSP}^2 + \gamma^2(m_s^2 - m_h^2) \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_{\rm LSP} > m_s$$



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 $m_a \approx 2m_{\rm LSP} \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_s^2 + \frac{1}{3}m_{\rm LSP}^2 + \gamma^2 \left(m_h^2 - m_s^2\right) \approx \Delta_{\hat{ss}} + \frac{1}{3}\Delta_{\hat{aa}}$

$$m_s^2 \approx m_{
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Conclusions

- We derived current constraints and prospects for SD direct detection for SI blind spots in NMSSM with thermal singlino-Higgsino LSP.
- If m_H , $m_s \gg m_h$ the allowed mass regions are $m_{\rm LSP} \sim 41 - 46$ and 300 - 800 GeV and will be almost entirely probed by XENON1T.
- If m_s is small, in general NMSSM it is possible to obtain sizeable linear correction to the Higgs mass $\Delta_{mix} \sim 4 \text{ GeV}$ with all considered experimental bounds fulfilled.
- ▶ In \mathbb{Z}_3 -NMSSM we have $m_{\text{LSP}} > m_s$ and additional annihilation channels (mainly *sa*) and resonanse with *a* relax the SD bounds. In particular, $m_{\text{LSP}} \gtrsim 400$ GeV may not be explored by XENON1T.

Backup slides: Relic density – only *h* exchange



Backup slides: Relic density -h and s exchange







Backup slides: \mathbb{Z}_3 -NMSSM – h and s exchange



Backup slides: Higgs sector

• Convenient basis
$$(\hat{H} = \mathcal{O}_{\beta}H)$$
:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{h} \\ \hat{H} \\ \hat{s} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\beta & \sin\beta & 0 \\ \sin\beta & -\cos\beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} H_d \\ H_u \\ S \end{pmatrix}$$

Mass eigenstates:

$$h_i = ilde{S}_{ij} \hat{H}_j = S_{ij} H_j \implies ilde{S} = S \cdot \mathcal{O}_eta$$

Explicitly:

$$h_i = \tilde{S}_{h_i\hat{h}}\hat{h} + \tilde{S}_{h_i\hat{H}}\hat{H} + \tilde{S}_{h_i\hat{s}}\hat{s}$$

 $h_i \equiv h, H, s$

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• Diagonalization
$$(\Lambda \equiv A_{\lambda} + \langle \partial_{S}^{2} f \rangle)$$
:

$$\begin{pmatrix} M^2_{\hat{h}\hat{h}} & M^2_{\hat{h}\hat{H}} & M^2_{\hat{h}\hat{s}} \\ M^2_{\hat{h}\hat{H}} & M^2_{\hat{H}\hat{H}} & M^2_{\hat{H}\hat{s}} \\ M^2_{\hat{h}\hat{s}} & M^2_{\hat{H}\hat{s}} & M^2_{\hat{s}\hat{s}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} M_{\hat{h}\hat{H}}^2 = \frac{1}{2}(M_Z^2 - \lambda^2 v^2)\sin 4\beta \\ M_{\hat{H}\hat{s}}^2 = \lambda v\Lambda\cos 2\beta \\ M_{\hat{h}\hat{s}}^2 = \lambda v(2\mu - \Lambda\sin 2\beta) \end{cases}$$

Diagonal elements, $M_{\hat{h}\hat{h}}^2$, $M_{\hat{H}\hat{H}}^2$, $M_{\hat{s}\hat{s}}^2$, are more complicated. We trade them for physical scalar masses (m_h, m_s, m_H) .

► For a given $m_h \simeq 125$ GeV, m_s , m_H , μ , λ , Λ , tan β we can find numerically \tilde{S}_{ij} .

Backup slides: neutralino sector

Mass matrix (after gaugino decoupling):

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\mu & -\lambda v \sin \beta \\ -\mu & 0 & -\lambda v \cos \beta \\ -\lambda v \sin \beta & -\lambda v \cos \beta & \langle \partial_S^2 f \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

• LSP components (after trading $\langle \partial_S^2 f \rangle$ for m_{LSP}):

$$\frac{N_{13}}{N_{15}} = \frac{\lambda v}{\mu} \frac{(m_{\rm LSP}/\mu)\sin\beta - \cos\beta}{1 - (m_{\rm LSP}/\mu)^2}$$
$$\frac{N_{14}}{N_{15}} = \frac{\lambda v}{\mu} \frac{(m_{\rm LSP}/\mu)\cos\beta - \sin\beta}{1 - (m_{\rm LSP}/\mu)^2}$$

Backup slides: large tan β

• Tree level couplings of h_i to b, t and W/Z:

$$\begin{split} C_{h_i b \bar{b}} &= \tilde{S}_{i \hat{h}} + \tilde{S}_{i \hat{H}} \tan \beta \\ C_{h_i t \bar{t}} &= \tilde{S}_{i \hat{h}} - \tilde{S}_{i \hat{H}} \cot \beta \\ C_{h_i V V} &= \tilde{S}_{i \hat{h}} \end{split}$$

- If m_s < m_h, we can hide s from LEP in the limit of large tan β (and hence small λ).
- Important observables measured by LEP:

$$\xi_{sb\bar{b}}^2 \equiv C_{sb\bar{b}}^2 \frac{\text{BR}(s \to b\bar{b})}{\text{BR}^{\text{SM}}(h \to b\bar{b})} , \quad \xi_{sjj}^2 \equiv C_{sb\bar{b}}^2 \text{BR}(s \to jj)$$

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$$\begin{split} \xi_{sb\bar{b}}^2 &\approx c_s^2 \tilde{S}_{s\hat{h}}^2 \frac{\mathrm{BR}(s \to b\bar{b})}{\mathrm{BR}^{\mathrm{SM}}(h \to b\bar{b})} , \quad \xi_{sjj}^2 \approx c_s^2 \tilde{S}_{s\hat{h}}^2 \ \mathrm{BR}(s \to jj) \\ c_s &\approx 1 + \frac{\tilde{S}_{s\hat{h}}}{\tilde{S}_{s\hat{h}}} \tan \beta \end{split}$$



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Backup slides: blind spots in MSSM

Higgs mass matrix eigenstates:

$$\begin{pmatrix} h \\ H \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} H_u \\ H_d \end{pmatrix}$$

For heavy H: $\sin \alpha \approx -\cos \beta$.

► Traditional blind spots 1211.4873 : $m_H \to \infty$

$$\frac{m_{\chi}}{\mu} + \sin 2\beta = 0$$

Generalized blind spots 1404.0392 :

 $m_H \gg m_h$

$$\frac{m_{\chi}}{\mu} + \sin 2\beta = -\frac{\tan\beta}{2} \left(\frac{m_h}{m_H}\right)^2$$

In both cases m_{χ} and μ have opposite sign.

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• Blind spot condition ($\Lambda \equiv A_{\lambda} + \langle \partial_{S}^{2} f \rangle$):

$$\frac{m_{\chi}}{\mu} - \sin 2\beta = \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{H}} \left[1 - \frac{\lambda \nu \Lambda}{m_s^2} \eta^{-1} \left(\frac{m_{\chi}}{\mu} - \sin 2\beta \right) \right]$$

Conclusions:

- \blacktriangleright sizable effect only for $\tan\beta\gg 1$
- *A_H* is always positive
- slightly more points in mixed LSP region