



# Neutralino dark matter in the NMSSM

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A good dark matter candidate - **WIMPs**

**Plan:** Introducing the **NMSSM**

**NMSSM dark matter:** results and discussion

## A good dark matter candidate

- ▶ **No emission/absorption of electromagnetic radiation** (any  $\lambda$ )
- ▶ **Gravitational interactions** on array of scales  
tiny dwarf galaxies, large spirals (Milky Way), clusters of galaxies ...

### ▶ **Correct relic density**

**Astrophysical bounds**  $\Rightarrow 0.1 \lesssim \Omega_{\text{dark}} h^2 \lesssim 0.3$

**Cosmological observations**  $\Rightarrow$  **WMAP**:  $0.095 \lesssim \Omega_{\text{dark}} h^2 \lesssim 0.112$

$$\Omega_{\text{TOTAL}} = \Omega_{\Lambda} + \Omega_{\text{matter}} = 1.02 \pm 0.02$$

$\Omega_{\text{dark}} \approx \mathbf{25\%} \Omega_{\text{TOTAL}}$
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### ▶ **Cold dark matter** requires candidate from **physics beyond SM<sup>νR</sup>**

Arise in **well-motivated** models (SUSY, Large Extra Dimensions, etc)

### ▶ **Phenomenologically viable** $\Rightarrow$ low-energy scenario compatible with

**LEP/Tevatron** bounds: direct searches, precision measurements, etc

Other **accelerator** constraints:  $B$ - and  $K$ -decays,  $(g - 2)_{\mu}$ , ...

## Weakly Interacting Massive Particles

The most promising (non-baryonic) **cold dark matter** candidates

**WIMPs:** { Heavy 4<sup>th</sup> generation neutrino (ruled out for  $m < 1.5$  TeV)  
Extra scalar fields (little Higgs model, N=2 SUSY, LEDs,...)  
**SUSY** ( $\tilde{\nu}$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ ,  $\tilde{G}$ ,  $\tilde{a}$ )

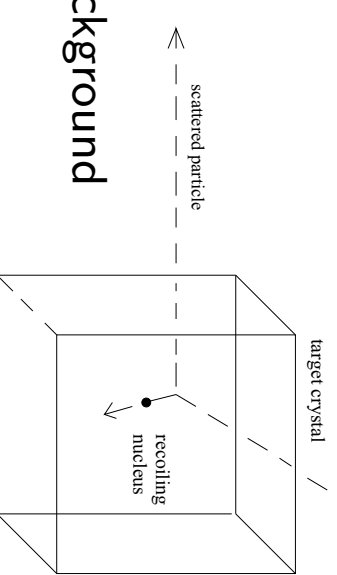
- WIMPs arise in well motivated **extensions of the standard model**
- **Stable** particles, no **electromagnetic** interactions; **WIMP**  $\overset{\text{weak}}{\longleftrightarrow}$  **matter**
- WIMP **masses** typically lie in the range **10 GeV up to a few TeV**
- If WIMPs do indeed fulfil above conditions  $\rightarrow$  **correct relic abundance**

**WIMP direct detection** (indirect detection also possible...)

WIMP dark matter can be detectable via

observation of **WIMP-matter scattering** in a detector

**WIMP signal:** excess of recoil events above expected background



# SUSY dark matter beyond the MSSM - the NMSSM

Add **singlet** superfield  $S$  to the MSSM

## Next-to-Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model

⇒ **Elegant solution to the  $\mu$ -problem** of the MSSM

$$\mu H_1 H_2 \rightarrow \lambda S H_1 H_2 \Rightarrow \text{Dynamically generated } \mu: \quad \mu_{\text{eff}} = \lambda \langle S \rangle$$

**Scale-invariant superpotential:** EW, SUSY scale only appearing via  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}}$

⇒ **Less severe** “Higgs - little fine tuning problem” of the MSSM

⇒ Formally...

$$\text{NMSSM} = \text{MSSM} + \hat{S} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2 \text{ extra Higgs (CP-even, CP-odd)} \\ 1 \text{ additional neutralino} \end{array} \right.$$

$$W = Y_u H_2 Q u + Y_d H_1 Q d + Y_e H_1 L e - \lambda S H_1 H_2 + \frac{1}{3} \kappa S^3 - \mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}}^{\text{Higgs}} = m_{H_i}^2 H_i^* H_i + m_S^2 S^* S + (-\lambda A_\lambda S H_1 H_2 + \frac{1}{3} \kappa A_\kappa S^3 + \text{H.c.})$$

⇒ Richer and more complex **phenomenology** - extra Higgs, neutralino

⇒ Important implications for **dark matter analysis!**

# NMSSM neutralino dark matter

Neutralino sector:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5 \text{ Majorana fermions} \\ \tilde{\chi}_1^0 = N_{11} \tilde{B}^0 + N_{12} \tilde{W}_3^0 + N_{13} \tilde{H}_1^0 + N_{14} \tilde{H}_2^0 + N_{15} \tilde{S} \end{array} \right.$$

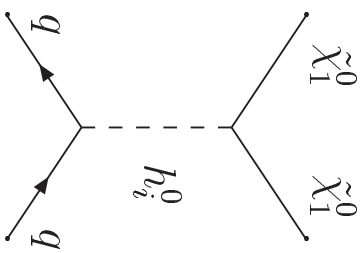
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(e.g. reduced coupling to Z boson)  $\Rightarrow$  experimentally viable

Implications for Dark Matter: Neutralino-nucleon cross section  $\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p}$



Higgs-exchange + Squark-exchange (spin-independent)

$$\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p} \propto \alpha_{3i}^h = \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{1}{m_{h_a^0}^2} C_Y^i \text{Re} [C_{HL}^a]$$

$$C_{HL}^a = 2\{-g(N_{12}^* - \tan \theta_W N_{11}^*) (S_{\alpha 1} N_{13}^* - S_{\alpha 2} N_{14}^*) +$$

$$+ \sqrt{2}\lambda [S_{\alpha 3} N_{13}^* N_{14}^* + N_{15}^* (S_{\alpha 2} N_{13}^* + S_{\alpha 1} N_{14}^*)] - \sqrt{2}\kappa S_{\alpha 3} N_{15}^* N_{15}^* \}$$

$$C_Y^{1(2)} = -\frac{g^{m_u(d)}}{2M_W \sin(\cos)\beta} S_{\alpha 2(1)}$$

Exchange of light Higgs (not pure singlet)  $\Rightarrow$  enhancement to  $\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p}$

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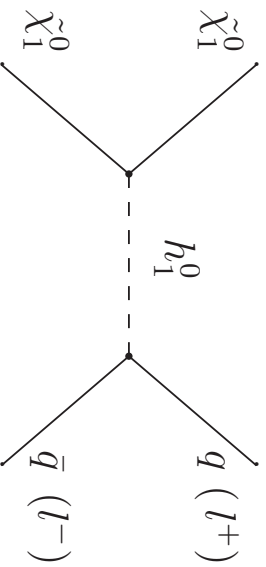
Implications for Dark Matter: **Neutralino relic density  $\Omega h^2$**

**New open channels!** Additional resonances!

**Extra Higgs:** annihilation via  $s$ -channel Higgs resonances

**Light  $h_1^0, a_1^0$**   $\Rightarrow$  new annihilation channels

$$Z h_1^0, h_1^0 h_1^0, h_1^0 a_1^0, \dots \left\{ \begin{array}{l} s - \text{channel} : Z, h_1^0, a_1^0 \\ t - \text{channel} : \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \text{ exchange} \end{array} \right.$$



In general, **large  $\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p}$**  are associated with  **$\Omega h^2$  below** observed values

# Exploring the NMSSM parameter space

- Unconstrained low energy NMSSM  $\lambda, \kappa, \mu (= \lambda s), A_\lambda, A_\kappa, M_1, M_2, M_{\text{SUSY}}$  free
- Minimisation of the potential [exclusion of over 2/3 of parameter space]
- Absence of Landau poles for  $\lambda, \kappa, Y_t$  and  $Y_b$  below  $M_{\text{GUT}}$
- Computation of the NMSSM spectrum
- Higgs, chargino and neutralino masses and mixings; couplings
- Experimental constraints
  - Neutralino:  $\Gamma_Z^{\text{inv}}$ , direct production  $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_i^0 \tilde{\chi}_j^0)$ ; Bounds on  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^+}$  and  $m_{H^+}$
  - Neutral Higgs: Constraints on production rates (all LEP channels)
  - Rare  $B$ - and  $K$ -meson decays  $\Rightarrow$  SUSY contributions to  $\text{BR}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$ !  
NMHDECAY
  - Muon anomalous magnetic moment  $\Rightarrow$  SUSY contributions to saturate  $a_\mu^{\text{exp}}$
- Cosmological constraints:  $\Omega h^2$  compatibility (astro & WMAP) MicrOMEGAS
- Neutralino-nucleon cross section - comparison with detector sensitivities
  - Interested in NMSSM-like scenarios (light  $h_1^0, \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ ) inducing large  $\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p}$

## Looking for NMSSM-like dark matter scenarios

- ★ Regimes where **singlet-singlino** components are “active”

**Lightest Higgs** is not doublet-like (important **singlet** composition)

& **lightest neutralino** has large **singlino** component

- ★ Typically found for

⇒ Low  **$\tan\beta$** , small  **$\mu$**  ( $\lesssim M_1$ ), small  **$A\lambda$**  ...

⇒ In the parameter space generated by the new couplings in  $M_{\text{NMSSM}}$

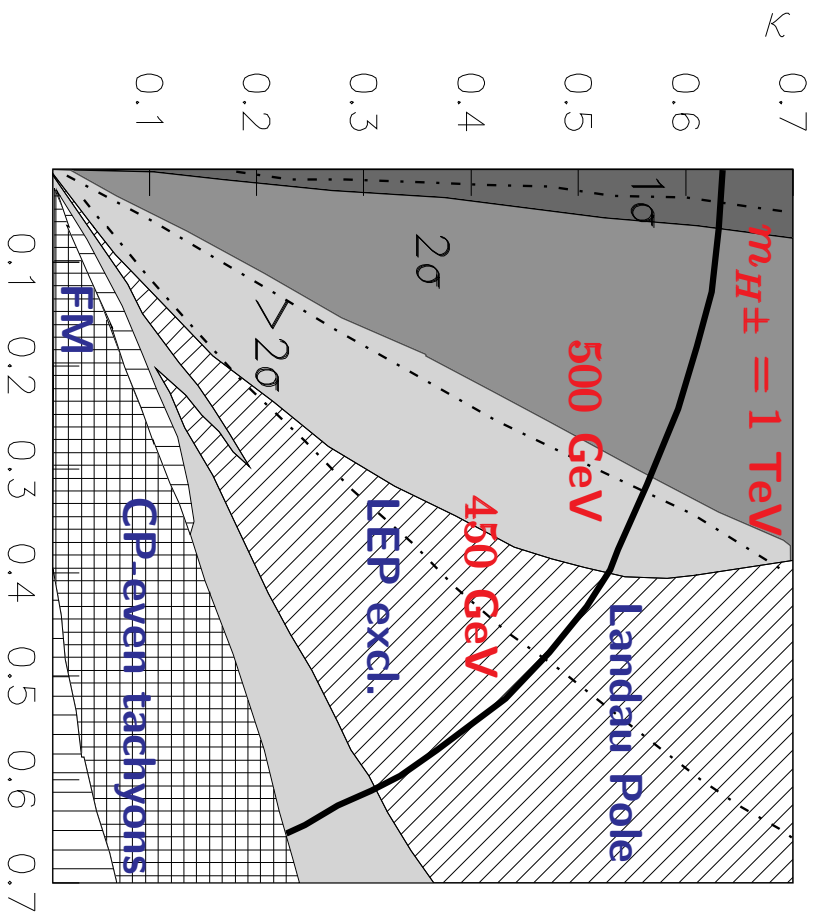
$$(\lambda - \kappa) : \begin{cases} \text{Singlino-like } \tilde{\chi}_1^0 & \leftrightarrow \text{small } \kappa/\lambda \\ \text{Singlet-like } h_1^0 & \leftrightarrow \text{small } \kappa \end{cases}$$

- ★ In general **likely** to exhibit **large**  $\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p}$ !

But ... to which extent can we find viable DM scenarios in this limit??



# Constraining the parameter space: $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ and $a_\mu$



★  $a_\mu$  [exp:  $a_\mu^{\text{NP}} \approx (2.76 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-9}$ ]

Large  $\sigma_{\chi_1^0-p} \Rightarrow$  low  $\tan \beta$ , small  $A_\lambda \dots$

★  $\text{BR}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$  [exp:  $(3.55 \pm 0.27) \times 10^{-4}$ ]

$$(\lambda, \kappa) \begin{cases} \tan \beta = 3, A_\lambda = 200 \text{ GeV} \\ \mu = 130 \text{ GeV}, A_\kappa = -200 \text{ GeV} \end{cases}$$

$V_{\text{CKM}}$  flavour violation, heavy gluino

Dominant contribution from  $H^\pm$ - $t$  loops

$$m_{H^\pm} \sim \frac{2\mu}{\sin 2\beta} \left( \frac{\mu\kappa}{\lambda} + A_\lambda \right) - v^2 \lambda^2 + M_W^2$$

$\text{BR}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)|_{\text{exp}}$  favours larger  $A_\lambda$ ,  $\tan \beta$

$\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ TeV})$  soft breaking terms  $\Rightarrow$  negligible SUSY contributions,  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-11})$

Saturating  $a_\mu^{\text{exp}} \Rightarrow$  large  $\tan \beta$ ; large  $\tilde{\mu}_{LR}$  ( $A_E \sim -2.5 \text{ TeV}$ )

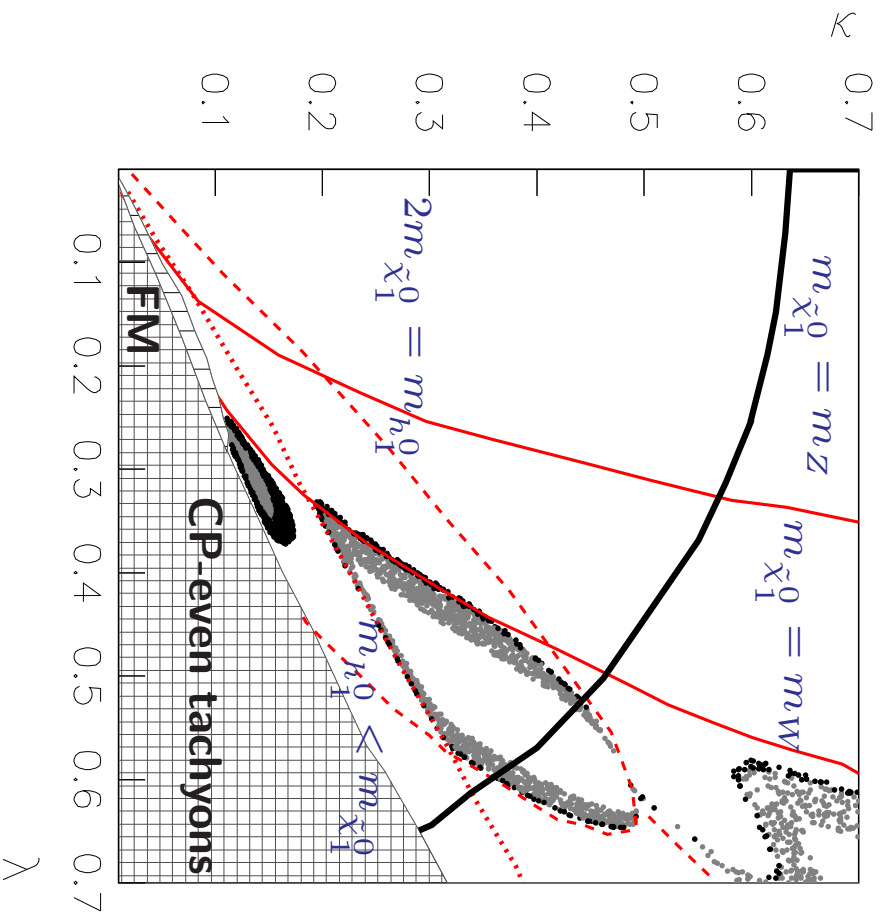
$$a_\mu^{\text{SUSY}} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-9}) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_{\tilde{E},L} \lesssim 200 \text{ GeV}; M_1 \lesssim 215 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow \text{light sleptons, bino} \end{array} \right.$$

## Cosmological constraints

An example:  $\tan\beta = 5$ ,  $A_\lambda = 400$  GeV,  $A_{h_s} = -200$  GeV,  $\mu = 130$  GeV

$$M_1 = 160 \text{ GeV}$$

[GUT-relation for  $M_i$ , compatible with  $\text{BR}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$ ,  $a_\mu$ ]



$\Omega h^2$ : spectrum of  $\tilde{\chi}^0$ ,  $h^0$

MSSM-like scenarios (WMAP)

doublet-like  $h_1^0$ , bino-Higgsino  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$

NMSSM-like scenarios:

$\mu \lesssim M_1$ , Higgsino-singlino  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$

WMAP (●) / astrophysical (●) bound:

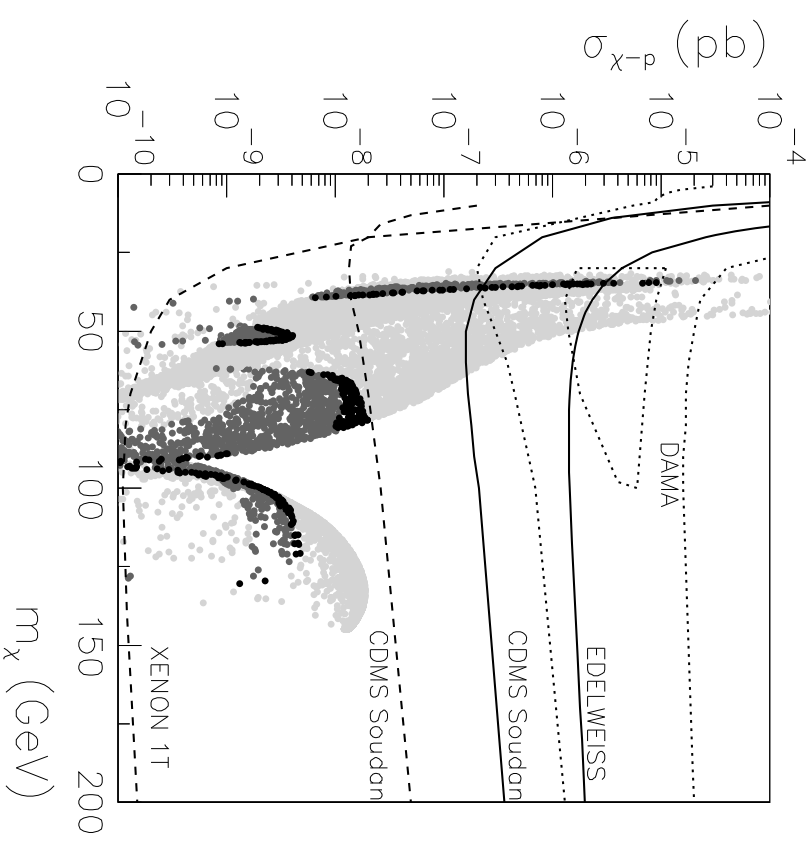
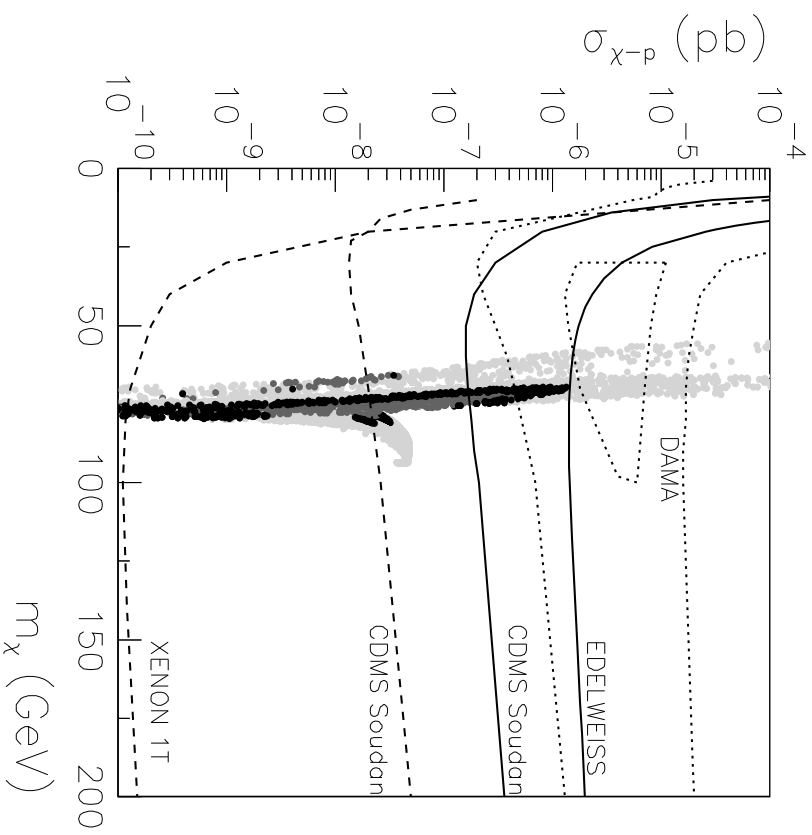
large  $\tilde{S}$  component, light  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$

Kinematically forbid  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow Z, W, h_1^0$

Compatible region close to tachyon border: **Light, singlet-like Higgs**

**NMSSM-like** dark matter scenarios  $\Rightarrow$  excellent prospects for **direct detection**

# Prospects for NMSSM dark matter detection



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tan \beta = 5, \mu = 130 \text{ GeV}, M_1 = 160 \text{ GeV} \\ A_\lambda = 200 \text{ GeV}, A_\kappa = -200 \text{ GeV} \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tan \beta = 5, \mu = 160 \text{ GeV}, M_1 = 330 \text{ GeV} \\ A_\lambda = 570 \text{ GeV}, A_\kappa = -60 \text{ GeV} \end{array} \right.$$

★ **Large** predictions for  $\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p}$  found! Even within DAMA reach!!

⇒  $t$ -channel exchange of **singlet-like** very **light**  $h_1^0$  (25-50 GeV), singlino LSP

★★ Modify the Bino mass (cannot saturate  $a_\mu$ )

⇒ **Resonances** appear as **funnels** in  $\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p}$  (e.g.  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} = M_Z/2, m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} = m_{h_1^0}/2$ )

## Conclusions

- **Neutralino dark matter in the NMSSM**
  - ★ Thorough analysis of the **low-energy NMSSM** parameter space
  - ★ Include **LEP**, **meson decays**,  $a_\mu$  and **astrophysical constraints**
  - ★ Computed **theoretical predictions** for  $\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p}$
- Stringent **constraints** on the **NMSSM** parameter space
  - ★ Enhancing  $a_\mu$  favours **small slepton and gaugino masses**
  - ★ Potentially **large** contributions to  $\text{BR}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$  ( $H^\pm$  mediated)
  - ★  **$\Omega h^2$ : light neutralinos** (kinematically inaccessible channels);  
**singlino-like  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$**  (suppress annihilations)
- Prospects for **direct detection** of NMSSM  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  **dark matter**
  - ★ **Large** values of  $\sigma_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0-p}$  attainable, *within reach of present detectors*
  - ★ Exchange of **light singlet-like Higgses** in  $t$ -channel ( $m_{h_1^0} \sim 50$  GeV)
  - ★ Light, **singlino-Higgsino-like  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$**  - characteristic of **NMSSM**

**Additional slides**

## Minimisation of $V_{\text{neutral}}^{\text{Higgs}}$ - the NMSSM parameter space

Ensuring minimum of  $V_{\text{neutral}}^{\text{Higgs}}$  with respect to the phases of the VEV's:

⇒ excludes combinations of signs for the parameters

**Conventions:**  $\tan \beta$ ,  $\lambda$  positive;  $s$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $A_\lambda$ ,  $A_\kappa \in$

For  $\kappa > 0$ , minima possible if

- (i)  $\text{sign}(s) = \text{sign}(A_\lambda) = -\text{sign}(A_\kappa)$
- (ii)  $\text{sign}(s) = -\text{sign}(A_\lambda) = -\text{sign}(A_\kappa)$ , with  $|A_\kappa| > 3\lambda v_1 v_2 |A_\lambda| / (-|sA_\lambda| + \kappa|s^2|)$
- (iii)  $\text{sign}(s) = \text{sign}(A_\lambda) = \text{sign}(A_\kappa)$ , with  $|A_\kappa| < 3\lambda v_1 v_2 |A_\lambda| / (|sA_\lambda| + \kappa|s^2|)$

For  $\kappa < 0$ , minima possible if

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In addition three minimization conditions for the Higgs VEV's:

$$m_{H_1}^2, m_{H_2}^2, m_S^2 = f(\lambda, \kappa, A_\lambda, A_\kappa, v_1, v_2, s)$$

# NMSSM: $\tilde{\chi}^0$ and scalar Higgs mass matrices

## CP-even Higgs

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{S,11}^2 &= M_Z^2 \cos^2 \beta + \lambda s \tan \beta (A_\lambda + \kappa s) \\
 M_{S,22}^2 &= M_Z^2 \sin^2 \beta + \lambda s \cot \beta (A_\lambda + \kappa s) \\
 M_{S,33}^2 &= 4\kappa^2 s^2 + \kappa A_\lambda \kappa s + \frac{\lambda}{s} A_\lambda v_1 v_2 \\
 M_{S,12}^2 &= \left( \lambda^2 v^2 - \frac{M_Z^2}{2} \right) \sin 2\beta - \lambda s (A_\lambda + \kappa s) \\
 M_{S,13}^2 &= 2\lambda^2 v_1 s - \lambda v_2 (A_\lambda + 2\kappa s) \\
 M_{S,23}^2 &= 2\lambda^2 v_2 s - \lambda v_1 (A_\lambda + 2\kappa s)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$h_a^0 = S_{ab} H_b^0$$

## Neutralino Sector

## CP-odd Higgs

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{P,11}^2 &= \frac{2\lambda s}{\sin 2\beta} (\kappa s + A_\lambda) \\
 M_{P,22}^2 &= \lambda \left( 2\kappa + \frac{A_\lambda}{2s} \right) v^2 \sin 2\beta - 3\kappa A_\lambda s \\
 M_{P,12}^2 &= \lambda v (A_\lambda - 2\kappa s) \\
 a_i^0 &= P_{ij} P_j^0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$M_{\tilde{\chi}^0} = \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & 0 & -M_Z \sin \theta_W \cos \beta & M_Z \sin \theta_W \sin \beta & 0 \\ 0 & M_2 & M_Z \cos \theta_W \cos \beta & -M_Z \cos \theta_W \sin \beta & 0 \\ -M_Z \sin \theta_W \cos \beta & M_Z \cos \theta_W \cos \beta & 0 & -\lambda s & -\lambda v_2 \\ M_Z \sin \theta_W \sin \beta & -M_Z \cos \theta_W \sin \beta & -\lambda s & 0 & -\lambda v_1 \\ 0 & 0 & -\lambda v_2 & -\lambda v_1 & 2\kappa s \end{pmatrix}$$

## On the experimental constraints:

- LEP: direct bounds on masses of  $H^\pm$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}^\pm$ ,  $\tilde{q}$ ,  $\tilde{l}$ ;
- LEP: Invisible decay width of the  $Z$  boson:  $Z \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_i^0 \tilde{\chi}_j^0$  and  $Z \rightarrow h^0 a^0$ ;
- LEP: neutral Higgs (all LEP channels):
  - $e^+ e^- \rightarrow h^0 Z$  (IHDM);
  - $e^+ e^- \rightarrow h^0 Z$  (DHDM) [ $h^0 \rightarrow \{b\bar{b}, \tau^+ \tau^-, 2\text{jets}, \gamma\gamma, \text{inv}\}$ ];
  - $e^+ e^- \rightarrow h^0 a^0$  (APM) [ $h^0 a^0 \rightarrow \{4b's, 4\tau's, 6b's\}$ ];
- $K$ -meson decays: Light  $a_1^0$  indirect contributions:  $K - \bar{K}$  mixing;
- $B$ -meson decays
  - Light  $a_1^0$  indirect contributions to  $B - \bar{B}$  mixing,  $B \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ ,
  - $B \rightarrow X_s \mu^+ \mu^-$ ,  $B^- \rightarrow K^- \nu \bar{\nu}$ ,  $B \rightarrow K_S^0 X^0$ ;
  - Direct production (large  $\tan \beta$ ) via  $b \rightarrow s a^0$ ,  $B \rightarrow K a^0$ , and  $B \rightarrow \pi a^0$ ;
  - $b \rightarrow s \gamma$ : NLO contributions (only LO SUSY contributions to Wilson coeffs.);
- $a_\mu = (g_\mu - 2)$ .