

# LHC prospects for minimal decaying Dark Matter

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# Introduction - model

We consider:

- ▶ a minimal model where a Majorana fermion DM  $\psi$  (SM-singlet) is coupled to a SM fermion  $f$  and scalar  $\Sigma_f$  (non-trivially SM-charged):

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \lambda \bar{\psi} f \Sigma_f^\dagger + h.c. = \lambda_{\psi d} \bar{\psi} d \Sigma_d^\dagger + \lambda_{\psi e} \bar{\psi} e \Sigma_e^\dagger + \lambda_{\psi \ell} \bar{\psi} \ell \Sigma_\ell^\dagger + h.c.$$

- ▶ no symmetry to guarantee the stability of DM and, thus,  $\Sigma_f$ -only SM fermions couplings are allowed, e.g.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \lambda'_d \bar{d} \ell \Sigma_d + \lambda'_e \bar{\ell}^c \ell \Sigma_e^\dagger + \lambda'_\ell \bar{e} \ell \Sigma_\ell + \lambda'_\ell \bar{d} d \Sigma_\ell + h.c.$$

- ▶ three-body decays for DM (caused by these additional SM-interactions) with a rate given by:

$$\Gamma_{\text{DM}} = \frac{c_f |\lambda|^2 |\lambda'|^2}{128 (2\pi)^3} x^4 m_\psi$$

with  $c_f = \#$  of d.f. of the intermediate  $\Sigma_f$ ,  $x = \frac{m_\psi}{m_{\Sigma_f}}$



4-relevant parameters:  $m_{\Sigma_f}, m_{\text{DM}}, \lambda, \lambda'$

# Introduction - DM generation

DM can be produced in different way depending on the value of  $\lambda$ . Basically, two main scenarios are possible:

- ▶  $\lambda \simeq 1$ : DM is in thermal equilibrium in the early universe and, therefore, produced through the freeze-out paradigm.
- ▶  $\lambda < 10^{-7}$ : DM can not be in thermal equilibrium in the early universe. DM is generated from the  $\Sigma_f$ -decays either in thermal equilibrium (freeze-in) or out-of-equilibrium (sWIMP).



We study the sWIMP and freeze-in mechanisms of DM production:

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 = \Omega_{\text{DM}}^{\text{FI}} h^2 + \Omega_{\text{DM}}^{\text{SW}} h^2 \approx x \text{BR}_{\Sigma_f \psi} \left[ \frac{1.09 \times 10^{27} g_{\Sigma} \Gamma_{\text{tot.}}}{g_*^{3/2} m_{\Sigma}} + \Omega_{\Sigma} h^2 \right]$$

$$\text{where } \text{BR}_{\Sigma_f \psi} = \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda^2 + \lambda'^2}, \quad \Gamma_{\text{tot.}} = \Gamma_{\psi f} + \Gamma_{ff}, \quad \Gamma_{\psi f(ff)} = \frac{\lambda^{(\prime)2}}{8\pi} m_{\Sigma}$$

# Introduction - production

Contributions of sWIMP and freeze-in mechanisms depend strongly on the  $\Sigma_f$ -properties  $\rightarrow$  3 different LHC  $\Sigma_f$ -productions via MG5 at  $\sqrt{s} = 14$  TeV:

- ▶ Colored  $\Sigma_f \implies \Sigma_d$  ( $\tilde{b}_R$ -quantum numbers)

(Colored states are the most efficiently produced ones (gluon fusion). Production depends on  $m_{\Sigma_d}$ )

- ▶ Electroweak  $\Sigma_f \implies \Sigma_\ell$  &  $\Sigma_e$  ( $\tilde{\ell}$  &  $\tilde{\mu}_R$ -quantum numbers)

(EW states less produced (Drell-Yan) than colored ones. MP bounds are reduced ( $\rightarrow m \simeq 300$ -400 GeV). Production depends on  $m_{\Sigma_\ell}$ .)

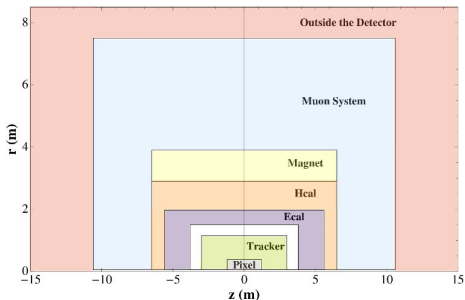
sWIMP and freeze-in mechanisms make  $\lambda, \lambda'$  tiny  $\rightarrow$  No prompt decay!



We concentrate on the prospects for discovery of  $\Sigma_f$  displaced vertices (d.v.) inside pixel (pi.), tracker (tr.) and outside CMS detector (out.)

# Introduction - CMS design & purposes

Layout of two quarters of CMS used in this analysis is:



Purposes of this research are:

- 1) Parameter region where DM ID signal is within the future LHC reach and the produced DM abundance fits data
- 2) Possible collider detection of both  $\Sigma_f$ -decays:

$$\Sigma_f \rightarrow \text{DM} + \text{SM} \quad \& \quad \Sigma_f \rightarrow \text{SM} + \text{SM}$$

# $\Sigma_f$ -production at LHC

The numerical approach consists of:

- ▶ running MG5 for  $\{m_{\Sigma_f}\}$  and  $\Gamma_{\Sigma_f}$  (10,000 events and kinematics)
- ▶ computing the decay length and direction of  $\Sigma$  produced
- ▶ circumventing the problem of launching MG5 for all of  $\Gamma_{\Sigma_f}$  by rescaling the dimensions of all parts of the detector consistently

In doing so, the spatial distribution of the  $\Sigma_f$ -vertices  $\forall \Gamma_{\Sigma_f}$  is obtained!

Assuming the working hypothesis:

- ▶ background is negligible and the required minimum number of particles decaying within pi. and tr. or out. is  $n_{min} = 10$

and using the formulas:

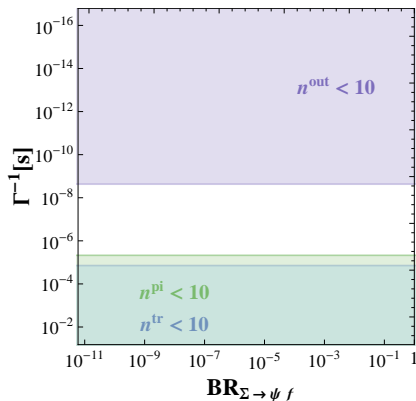
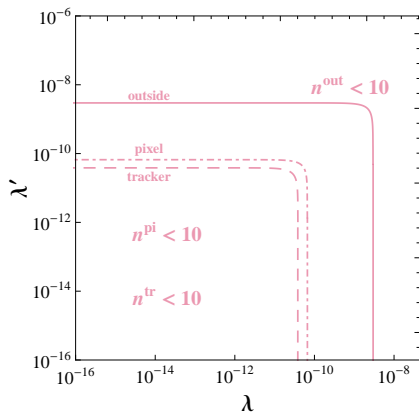
$$\lambda' = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi\hbar}{m_{\Sigma}\tau_{\Sigma}} - \lambda^2}, \quad \lambda = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi\Gamma_{tot.}BR_{\Sigma_f\psi}}{m_{\Sigma}}}, \quad \lambda' = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi\Gamma_{tot.}(1 - BR_{\Sigma_f\psi})}{m_{\Sigma}}}$$

at  $L = \{25, 300, 3000\} \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , we achieve:

$$\implies \boxed{\Sigma \text{ LHC reach in } \lambda\text{-}\lambda' \text{ and } BR_{\Sigma_f\psi}\text{-}\Gamma_{tot.}^{-1} \text{ planes}}$$

# $\Sigma_d$ in $\lambda$ - $\lambda'$ and $\text{BR}_{\Sigma_f \psi} - \Gamma_{tot.}^{-1}$ planes

$\Sigma_d$ -production for  $m_{\Sigma_d} = 800 \text{ GeV}$  &  $L = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ :



**N.B.** Studies for d.v. and particles escaping from CMS are complementary!

**Def.** Double detection (d.d.): region with at least 10 events in one of the components of the inner detector and 10 tracks leaving the detector



## $\Sigma_f$ in cosmology

In order to investigate the parameter space where the model is both cosmologically viable and observable via multiple signals, we consider:

- ▶ bounds on the DM indirect detection (DM ID)

(Correlation between DM ID and collider signals:  $\lambda'$  and  $\lambda$ , involved in  $\Gamma_{\text{DM}}$ , also induce  $\Sigma_f$ -decays.)

Constraints on  $\tau_{\text{DM}}$  as a function of  $m_{\psi}$  for DM decays into  $q\bar{q}$  pair and  $\nu$  by Garny et al. (JCAP 1208 (2012) 025):  $\tau_{\text{DM}} = 10^{27-29}$  s, according as the propagation model used and  $m_{\text{DM}}$ .

- ▶ sWIMP and freeze-in mechanisms generate  $\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 = 0.11$

(We expect  $\Omega_{\Sigma}$  to be very low for a charged relic because of efficient interactions of  $\Sigma_f$ . sWIMP contribution should be suppressed at lower  $m_{\Sigma_f}$ .)

see e.g. Arcadi and Covi's paper (JCAP 1308 (2013) 005)



DM abundance and DM ID bounds in  $\lambda$ - $\lambda'$  and  $\text{BR}_{\Sigma_f \psi} - \Gamma_{\text{tot}}^{-1}$  planes

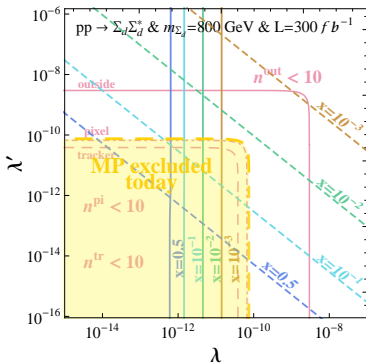
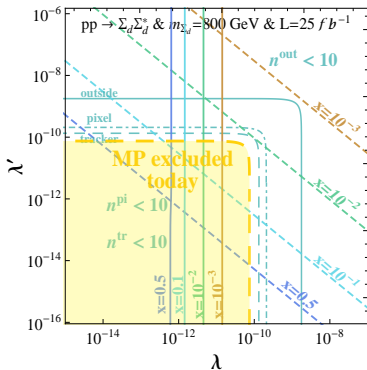
N.B. These bounds fix  $\lambda, \lambda'$  as a function of  $m_{\Sigma_f}$ ,  $x \rightarrow$  Plots for fixed  $m_{\Sigma_f}$



# Results - $\Sigma_d$ & $m_{\Sigma_d} = 800$ GeV

To study if the model parameter space is accessible from CMS and DM ID bounds where DM has the right abundance, we plot all together:

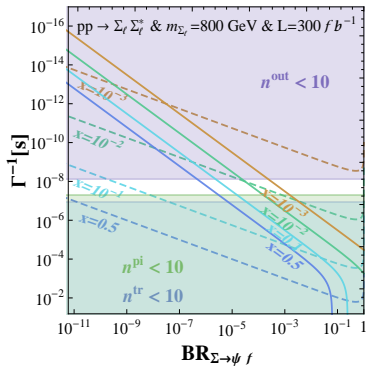
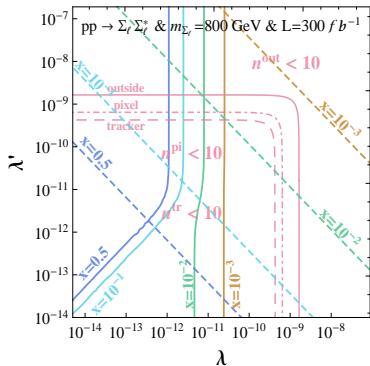
( $\tau_{\psi} = 10^{28}$  s has been used for ID bounds & MP (metastable particle) bound: JHEP 1307 (2013) 122)



N.B. Double detection (d.d.) region with DM- and  $\Sigma_f$ - decays corresponds to a quite definite range:  $10^{-2} < x < 10^{-1} \rightarrow$  Benchmark at  $x \sim 10^{-2}$  (later)

# Results - $\Sigma_\ell$ & $m_{\Sigma_\ell} = 800$ GeV

- ▶ Hierarchy in production:  $\sigma_{\Sigma_\ell \Sigma_\ell^*} < \sigma_{\Sigma_d \Sigma_d^*}$
- ▶ Detector stable bounds are relaxed  $\rightarrow$  No bounds for  $m_{\Sigma_{\ell(e)}} = 800$  GeV



**N.B.** Contribution from sWIMP at  $\lambda, \lambda' \sim 10^{-11} - 10^{-14}$   $\rightarrow$  signal of MP & Tiny  $\Sigma_\ell$ -d.d. region, smaller than the  $\Sigma_d$ -one for  $m_{\Sigma_d} = 800$  GeV

\* In  $\Sigma_\ell$ -d.d. region for  $m_{\Sigma_\ell} = 400$  GeV, crossing of  $\Omega_{\text{DM}}$  and  $\tau_{\text{DM}}$ -lines at  $BR \lesssim 10^{-3}$

\*\*  $\Sigma_e$ -d.d. region is closed (open) for  $m_{\Sigma_e} = 800$  (400) GeV

## Results - Most favorable benchmark of $\Sigma_d$

Looking at the plots for  $m_{\Sigma_d} = 800$  GeV and  $L = \{25, 300, 3000\} \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , a benchmark where the DM ID signal, d.v.- and MP- signals and a not too small BR can be found:

$\Sigma_d: \lambda = 1.8 \times 10^{-11}, \lambda' = 5.5 \times 10^{-10}, x \sim 10^{-2}$			
Part of detector	Total	$\Sigma \rightarrow DM$	$\Sigma \rightarrow SM$ only
$\mathcal{L} = 25\text{fb}^{-1}$			
Pixel	63	0	63
Tracker	125	0	125
Out	907	1	906
$\mathcal{L} = 300\text{fb}^{-1}$			
Pixel	757	0	757
Tracker	1504	2	1502
Out	10889	11	10878
$\mathcal{L} = 3000\text{fb}^{-1}$			
Pixel	7571	8	7563
Tracker	15043	15	15028
Out	108892	113	108779

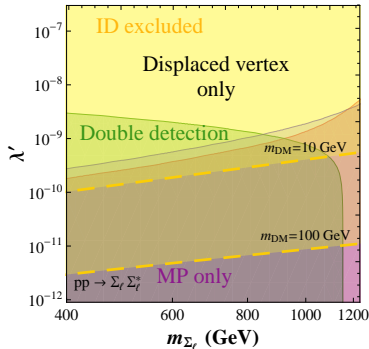
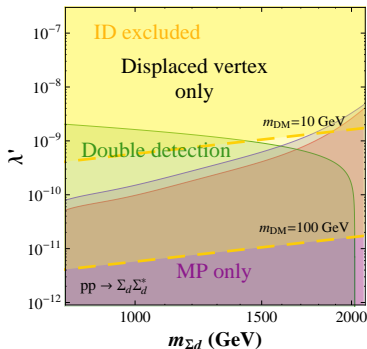


CMS  $\Sigma_d$ -double-signal with an acceptable cosmology at  $L = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

\* The analogous benchmark for the case of  $\Sigma_\ell$  has a smaller number of expected events than the colored one  $\rightarrow$  No detection of " $\Sigma_f \rightarrow DM$ "

# Results - Summary

To summarize the outcome of this analysis and discuss if the next future LHC signal can distinguish the two studied  $\Sigma$ -decay channels, the LHC reach has been showed for  $\Sigma_\ell$  and  $\Sigma_d$  scenarios at  $L = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  in  $\lambda'$ - $m_\Sigma$  plane.



**N.B.** Double detection is ruled out for  $m_{\Sigma_d} > 100 \text{ GeV}$  and  $m_{\Sigma_\ell} > 10 \text{ GeV}$  & Only MP expected at  $m_{\text{DM}} = 100(10) \text{ GeV}$  in  $\Sigma_{d(\ell)}$  scenario &  $\Sigma_d$ : future ID region is in the double detection corner:  $m_{\text{DM}} = 10 \text{ GeV}$  and  $m_{\Sigma_d} < 1500 \text{ GeV}$

# Conclusions

- ▶ Decaying DM in a very simple setup (i.e. DM Majorana, scalar  $\Sigma \rightarrow 4$  relevant param.) is cosmologically well-motivated
- ▶ LHC detection prospects of such a simple setup:  $\Sigma_f$ -displaced vertices (both decay channels) and  $\Sigma_f$ -metastable particles
- ▶ DM ID and DM density bounds on our scenarios lead to particular values of  $x$  and  $\tau_{DM}$  for  $\Sigma_d$  ( $\Sigma_\ell$ ) which are cosmologically consistent
- ▶ Combination of DM cosmological bounds and LHC reach draws 3 regions in  $\lambda'-m_\Sigma$ : double detection/displaced vertex only/MP only  $\rightarrow$  Benchmark for  $\Sigma_d$  ( $\Sigma_\ell$ )
- ▶ A collider detection of both  $\Sigma$  decay channels with a consistent cosmology can be obtained for  $\Sigma_d$ !!

Thank you!