#### SuperWIMP Dark Matter

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# Dark Matter



- Tremendous recent progress
- $\Omega_{\rm M} = 0.27 \pm 0.04$   $\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.73 \pm 0.04$  $[\Omega_{\rm B} = 0.044 \pm 0.004]$
- 3 measurements agree;
   2 must be wrong to change these conclusions
- On the other hand...

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- We live in interesting times: we know how much there is, but we have no idea what it is
- Precise, unambiguous evidence for new particle physics

# Dark Matter Candidates

- The Wild, Wild West of particle physics: axions, warm gravitinos, neutralinos, Kaluza-Klein particles, Q balls, wimpzillas, self-interacting particles, self-annihilating particles, fuzzy dark matter, superWIMPs...
- Masses and interaction cross sections span many orders of magnitude
- Consider neutralinos: a favorite because they have at least three virtues...

### I. Well-motivated Stable Particle

Goldberg (1983) Ellis et al. (1983)

- Required by supersymmetry, and so motivated by
  - electroweak symmetry breaking
  - force unification
  - heavy top quark

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Stable

-  $\chi$  is typically the lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP), and so stable (in R-parity conserving supergravity)

# **II. Natural Relic Density**

1) Initially, neutralinos  $\chi$  are in thermal equilibrium:  $\chi\chi \leftrightarrow \overline{f}f$ 2) Universe cools:  $N = N_{EQ} \sim e^{-m/T}$ 3)  $\chi$ s "freeze out":  $N \sim \text{constant}$ 

Freeze out determined by annihilation cross section: for neutralinos,  $\Omega_{DM} \sim 0.1$ ; natural – no new scales!



# **III.** Detection Promising



Correct relic density → efficient annihilation then
 → efficient annihilation now, efficient scattering now
 No-Lose Theorem

# Illustration: mSUGRA

- Natural relic density:  $\Omega_{\chi} = 0.23 \pm 0.04$ in red region



 Detection promising: below contours

Observable	Type	Sensitivity	Experiment(s)
$\tilde{\chi}^{\pm}\tilde{\chi}^{0}$	Collider	See Ref. [5]	Tevatron: CDF, D0
$B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$	Low energy	$ \Delta B(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)  < 1.2 \times 10^{-4}$	BaBar, BELLE
Muon MDM	Low energy	$ a_{\mu}^{\rm SUSY}  < 8 \times 10^{-10}$	Brookhaven E821
$\sigma_{ m proton}$	Direct DM	$\sim 10^{-8}$ pb (See Ref. [5])	CDMS, CRESST, GENIUS
$\nu$ from Earth	Indirect DM	$\Phi^{\oplus}_{\mu} < 100 \text{ km}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$	Amanda, Nestor, Antares
$\nu$ from Sun	Indirect DM	$\Phi^{\odot}_{\mu} < 100 \text{ km}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$	Amanda, Nestor, Antares
$\gamma$ (gal. center)	Indirect DM	$\Phi_{\gamma}(1) < 1.5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	GLAST
$\gamma$ (gal. center)	Indirect DM	$\Phi_{\gamma}(50) < 7 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	MAGIC
$e^+$ cosmic rays	Indirect DM	$(S/B)_{\rm max} < 0.01$	AMS-02

# SuperWIMPs: The Basic Idea

Feng, Rajaraman, Takayama, hep-ph/0302215, hep-ph/0306024, hep-ph/0307375 Feng, Su, Takayama, hep-ph/0404198, hep-ph/0404231

• Supergravity requires gravitinos:

mass ~  $M_{\rm W}$ , couplings ~  $M_{\rm W}/M_{\star}$ 

**Ĝ LSP** 

• *Ĝ* not LSP



• No impact – assumption of most of literature



 Qualitatively different cosmology



Gravitinos are dark matter now. They are superWIMPs – superweakly-interacting massive particles

# SuperWIMP Virtues

I. Well-motivated stable particle?

Yes – SuperWIMPs exist in same frameworks as WIMPs Supersymmetry  $\chi \rightarrow \tilde{G}$ Universal extra dimensions  $B^1 \rightarrow G^1$ 

Appelquist, Cheng, Dobrescu (2001)

II. Natural relic density?

Yes – Inherited from WIMP freeze out, no new scales

 III. Detection Promising?
 No – Impossible to detect by conventional DM searches (No-Lose Theorem loophole)
 Yes – Qualitatively new signals

# History

• Gravitinos are the original SUSY dark matter

Pagels, Primack (1982) Weinberg (1982) Krauss (1983) Nanopoulos, Olive, Srednicki (1983)

Old ideas:

Gravitinos have thermal relic density

$$\Omega_{\tilde{G}} < 1 \Rightarrow m_{\tilde{G}} < 1 \text{ keV}$$

• DM if bound saturated, requires new scale

Khlopov, Linde (1984) Moroi, Murayama, Yamaguchi (1993) Bolz, Buchmuller, Plumacher (1998)

 Weak scale gravitinos diluted by inflation, regenerated in reheating

 $T_{\rm RH} < 10^{10} \; {\rm GeV}$ 

• DM if bound saturated, requires new scale

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# SuperWIMP Signals

- SuperWIMP couplings are suppressed by M<sub>W</sub>/M<sub>\*</sub>, no signals in direct or indirect DM searches
- But this same suppression means that the decays  $\tilde{\tau} \to \tilde{G} \tau$ ,  $\tilde{B} \to \tilde{G} \gamma$

are very late with possibly observable consequences

- Signals depend on
  - The NLSP
  - Two free parameters:  $m_{\tilde{G}}$ ,  $\Delta m = m_{\text{NLSP}} m_{\tilde{G}}$

# Decays to SuperWIMPs

• Lifetime

$$\Gamma(\tilde{\ell} \to \ell \tilde{G}) = \frac{1}{48\pi M_*^2} \frac{m_{\tilde{\ell}}^5}{m_{\tilde{G}}^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{G}}^2}{m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2} \right]^4$$
$$\Gamma(\tilde{B} \to \gamma \tilde{G}) = \frac{\cos^2 \theta_W}{48\pi M_*^2} \frac{m_{\tilde{B}}^5}{m_{\tilde{G}}^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{G}}^2}{m_{\tilde{B}}^2} \right]^3 \left[ 1 + 3\frac{m_{\tilde{G}}^2}{m_{\tilde{B}}^2} \right]^4$$

In the limit  $\Delta m \ll m_{\tilde{G}}$ ,

$$\tau(\tilde{\ell} \to \ell \tilde{G}) \approx 3.6 \times 10^8 \text{ s} \left[\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{\Delta m}\right]^4 \frac{m_{\tilde{G}}}{1 \text{ TeV}}$$
$$\tau(\tilde{B} \to \gamma \tilde{G}) \approx 2.3 \times 10^7 \text{ s} \left[\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{\Delta m}\right]^3$$

• Energy release

$$\zeta_i = \varepsilon_i B_i Y_{\text{NLSP}}$$

 $\epsilon_i$  = energy released in each decay

$$Y_{\rm NLSP} = n_{\rm NLSP} / n_{\gamma}^{\rm BG}$$

 $\Omega_{\tilde{G}} = \Omega_{\rm DM} \rightarrow (m_{\tilde{G}}, \Delta m) \leftrightarrow (\tau, \zeta_{\rm i})$ 

# **Big Bang Nucleosynthesis**

• Late decays occur after BBN and before CMB. This has consequences for light element abundances.



Fields, Sarkar, PDG (2002)



Cyburt, Fields, Olive (2003)

# **BBN EM Constraints**

- NLSP = WIMP → Energy release is dominantly EM
- EM energy quickly thermalized, so BBN constrains ( τ, ζ<sub>EM</sub> )
- BBN constraints weak for early decays: hard γ, e<sup>-</sup> thermalized in hot universe
- Best fit reduces <sup>7</sup>Li: 🙂



Cyburt, Ellis, Fields, Olive (2002)

# **BBN EM Predictions**

- Consider  $\tilde{\tau} \to \tilde{G} \tau$  (others similar)
- Grid: Predictions for  $m_{\tilde{G}} = 100 \text{ GeV} - 3 \text{ TeV} \text{ (top to bottom)}$  $\Delta m = 600 \text{ GeV} - 100 \text{ GeV} \text{ (left to right)}$
- Some parameter space excluded, but much survives
- In fact, superWIMP DM naturally explains <sup>7</sup>Li !



Feng, Rajaraman, Takayama (2003)

# <sup>7</sup>Li Anomaly

- Given  $\eta_D = \eta_{CMB}$ , <sup>7</sup>Li is underabundant by factor of 3-4.
- Observations:

 ${}^{7}\text{Li/H} = 1.5^{+0.9}_{-0.5} \times 10^{-10} \quad (95\% \text{ CL}) [27]$  ${}^{7}\text{Li/H} = 1.72^{+0.28}_{-0.22} \times 10^{-10} \ (1\sigma + \text{sys}) [28]$  ${}^{7}\text{Li/H} = 1.23^{+0.68}_{-0.32} \times 10^{-10} \ (\text{stat} + \text{sys}, 95\% \text{ CL}) [29]$ 

- Possible explanations:
  - Destruction in stellar cores (but no scatter?)
  - Nuclear systematics (not likely)

Cyburt, Fields, Olive (2003)

New physics



# **BBN Hadronic Constraints**

BBN constraints on *hadronic* energy release are severe for early decay times

Kawasaki, Kohri, Moroi (2004)

• Cannot neglect subleading hadronic decays:

$$\tilde{l} \rightarrow l Z \tilde{G} , \nu W \tilde{G} 
\tilde{\nu} \rightarrow \nu Z \tilde{G} , l W \tilde{G}$$

• In fact, for neutralinos, these aren't even subleading:

$$\chi \to Z \tilde{G}, h \tilde{G}$$

#### This effectively eliminates $\tilde{B}$ NLSP (photino still ok)

### **BBN Hadronic Predictions**



Feng, Takayama, Su (2004)

#### Strong constraints on early decays

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# **Entropy Production**



Feng, Rajaraman, Takayama (2003)

# **Cosmic Microwave Background**

- Late decays may also distort the CMB spectrum
- For 10<sup>5</sup> s < τ < 10<sup>7</sup> s, get "μ distortions":

$$\overline{e^{E/(kT)+\mu}-1}$$

μ=0: Planckian spectrum μ≠0: Bose-Einstein spectrum Hu, Silk (1993)

Current bound: |μ| < 9 x 10<sup>-5</sup>
 Future (DIMES): |μ| ~ 2 x 10<sup>-6</sup>



### SuperWIMPs in Extra Dimensions

 Universal Extra Dimensions: all fields propagate in TeV<sup>-1</sup> size extra dimensions

Appelquist, Cheng, Dobrescu (2000)

- SUSY → UED: Superpartners → KK partners R-parity → KK-parity LSP → LKP B dark matter → B<sup>1</sup> dark matter
- B<sup>1</sup> thermal relic density

Servant, Tait (2002)

• B<sup>1</sup> direct and indirect detection

Cheng, Feng, Matchev (2002) Hooper, Kribs (2002) Servant, Tait (2002) Majumdar (2002) Bertone, Servant, Sigl (2002)



### SuperWIMPs in Extra Dimensions

- SuperWIMP:  $\tilde{G} \rightarrow G^1$
- O(1) modifications, except: tower of KK gravitons → reheating is *extremely* efficient

(Cf. SUSY  $T_{\rm RH} < 10^{10} \text{ GeV}$ )

SuperWIMP scenario requires  $T_{RH} > 40 \text{ GeV}$ 



Feng, Rajaraman, Takayama (2003)

#### **Implications for Particle Physics**

 We've been missing half of parameter space.
 For example, mSUGRA should have 6 parameters: { m<sub>0</sub>, M<sub>1/2</sub>, A<sub>0</sub>, tanβ, sgn(μ), m<sub>3/2</sub> }

 $\tilde{G}$  not LSP  $\Omega_{LSP} > 0.23$  excluded  $\tilde{\tau}$  LSP excluded  $ilde{G}$  LSP  $\Omega_{NLSP}$  > 0.23 ok  $ilde{ au}$  LSP ok





### Implications for SUSY Spectrum

What are the allowed superpartner masses in the superWIMP scenario?
 It depends...constraints bound n<sub>G̃</sub> = Ω<sub>G̃</sub> / m<sub>G̃</sub>

• If 
$$\Omega_{\tilde{G}} = \Omega_{\text{DM}}$$
,  $n_{\tilde{G}} \sim m_{\tilde{G}}^{-1}$ , low masses excluded

• If  $\Omega_{\tilde{G}} = (m_{\tilde{G}} / m_{NLSP}) \Omega_{NLSP}^{th}$ ,  $n_{\tilde{G}} \sim m_{\tilde{G}}$ , high masses excluded

 $\Omega_{\tilde{G}} = \Omega_{\mathsf{DM}}$ 

#### Shaded regions excluded



 $\Omega_{\tilde{G}} = (m_{\tilde{G}} / m_{NLSP}) \Omega_{NLSP}^{th}$ 

#### Shaded regions excluded



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# Implications for Colliders

Feng, Su, Takayama (2004)

- Each SUSY event produces 2 metastable sleptons Signature: highly-ionizing charged tracks
- Current bound (LEP):  $m_{\tilde{1}} > 99 \text{ GeV}$
- Tevatron Run II reach: ~ 150 GeV

Feng, Moroi (1996) Hoffman, Stuart et al. (1997)

• LHC reach: ~ 700 GeV in 1 year

Acosta (2002)

# Implications for Colliders

- May even be able to trap sleptons, move to a quiet environment to observe decays
- At LHC, ~10<sup>6</sup> sleptons possible, can catch ~100 in 100 m<sup>3</sup>we
- At LC, can tune beam energy to produce slow sleptons



# Implications for Colliders

• Recall:

$$\Gamma(\tilde{\ell} \to \ell \tilde{G}) = \frac{1}{48\pi M_*^2} \frac{m_{\tilde{\ell}}^5}{m_{\tilde{G}}^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{G}}^2}{m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2} \right]^4$$

- Measurement of  $\Gamma \rightarrow m_{\tilde{G}}$ 
  - →  $\Omega_{\tilde{G}}$ . SuperWIMP contribution to dark matter
  - $\rightarrow$  F. Supersymmetry breaking scale, vacuum energy
  - → BBN in the lab
- Measurement of  $\Gamma$  and  $E_{I} \rightarrow m_{\tilde{G}}$  and Planck mass  $M_{*}$ 
  - $\rightarrow$  Precise test of supergravity: gravitino is graviton partner
  - → Measurement of  $G_{\text{Newton}}$  on fundamental particle scale
  - $\rightarrow$  Probes gravitational interaction in particle experiment

# **Related Recent Work**

- Analysis in particular models
  - mSUGRA (Ellis, Olive, Santoso, Spanos, hepph/0312062)
- Astrophysics
  - Structure formation (Sigurdson, Kamionkowski, astroph/0311486)
- Collider physics
  - Gravitino studies (Buchmuller, Hamaguchi, Ratz, Yanagida, hep-ph/0402179, hep-ph/0403203)

# Summary

SuperWIMPs – a new class of particle dark matter

	WIMPs	superWIMPs
Well-motivated stable particle?	Yes	Yes
Natural relic density?	Yes	Yes
Detection promising?	Yes	Yes (already seen?)
Years studied	20	1