



# Coannihilating Dark Matter and the B-Physics Anomalies

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## B-Physics Anomalies

- $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$  : Deficit of the neutral-current transition in  $\mu$  vs.  $e$

$$R_{K^{(*)}} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \mu \bar{\mu})}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^{(*)} e \bar{e})}$$

[LHCb] 1903.09252  
1705.05802,  
2103.11769

- $R_K$  **survived** the latest update by the LHCb even after employing the full dataset of Run I and II independently at  $3.1\sigma$ !
- Fits obtained by including also other anomalous observables in this channel and varying relevant NP WCs yield pulls at a staggering  $5\sigma$  level!
- $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$  : Enhancement of the charged-current transition in  $\tau$  vs.  $\ell$

$$R_{D^{(*)}} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \bar{\nu})}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu})} \approx 3\sigma$$

[BaBar] 1303.0571,  
[Belle] 1612.00529,  
1908.01848  
[LHCb] 1711.02505,  
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## Vector Leptoquark and 4321!

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- **Leptoquarks** (LQs), i.e. particles that couple to quark-lepton currents, are the only viable candidates to a combined solution to the  $B$ -physics anomalies.
- In particular, the vector LQ  $U_1 \sim (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{2/3}$  provides the most compelling explanation, since it can simultaneously accommodate both anomalies!
- It is realized as a gauge boson of spontaneously broken gauge symmetries: the so-called ‘**4321**’ models based on the  $SU(4) \times SU(3)' \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_X$  group (originating from the Pati-Salam model).



## DM and coannihilation effects

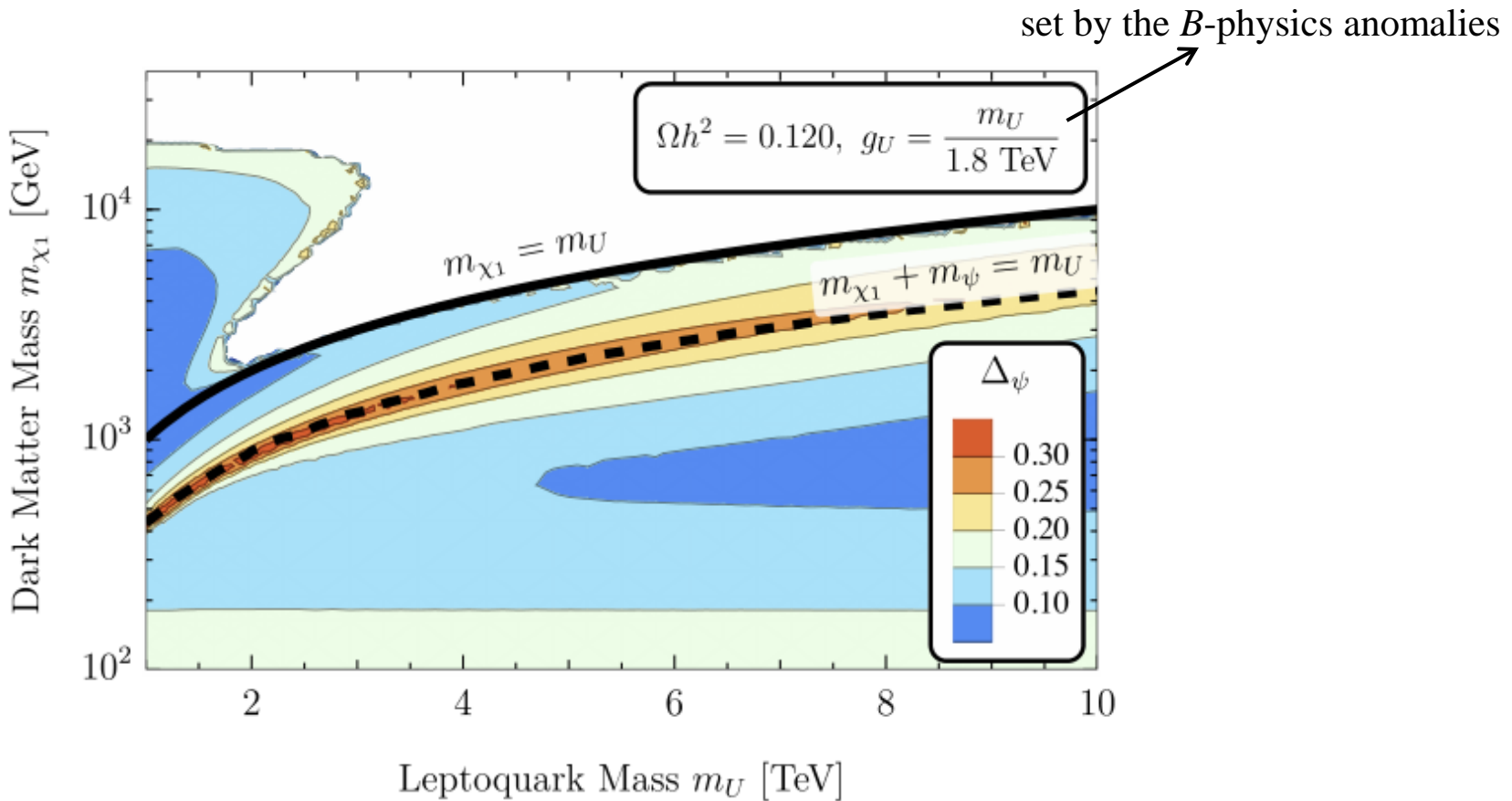
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- There are 4321 multiplets that can **host** a DM candidate!

$$\Psi = (\underbrace{\psi^1 \psi^2 \psi^3}_{\text{top-like partner } \psi \sim (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{2/3}} \chi)^T \longrightarrow \text{singlet, two Majorana fermions mass eigenstates } \chi_1, \chi_2$$

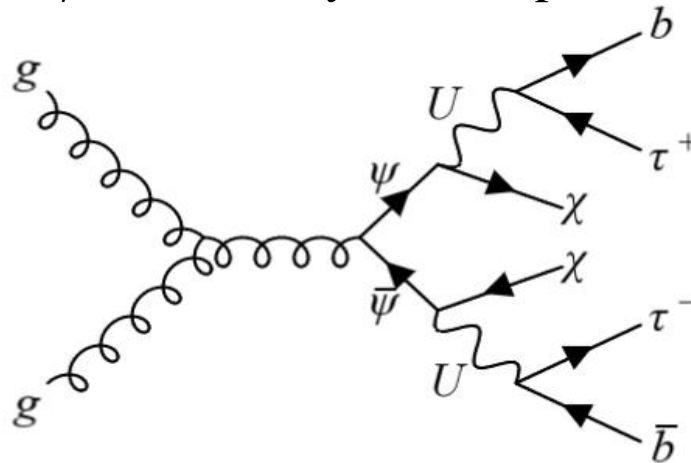
- $\chi$  receives a naturally small Majorana mass  $\longrightarrow \Delta_\psi \equiv \frac{m_\psi - m_{\chi_1}}{m_{\chi_1}} \lesssim 0.3$
- Coannihilating effects regulate the relic abundance for varying  $\Delta_\psi$ .
- The dominant process that sets the primordial relic abundance for  $m_\chi \sim m_\psi < m_U$  is  $\bar{\chi}_1 \psi \rightarrow \text{SM SM}$ , mediated via  $U$  (LQ portal to DM).

# Relic surface



## Collider constraints ( $\psi$ pair-production)

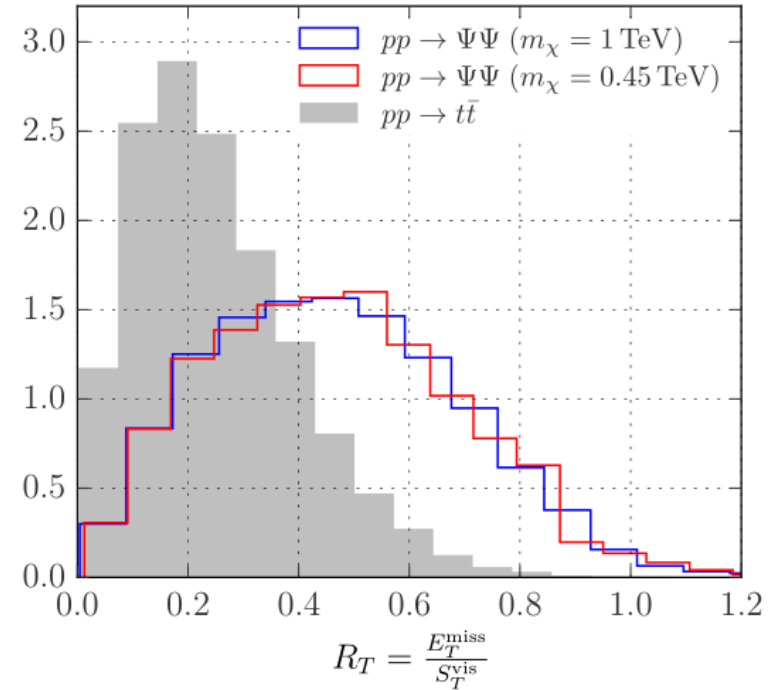
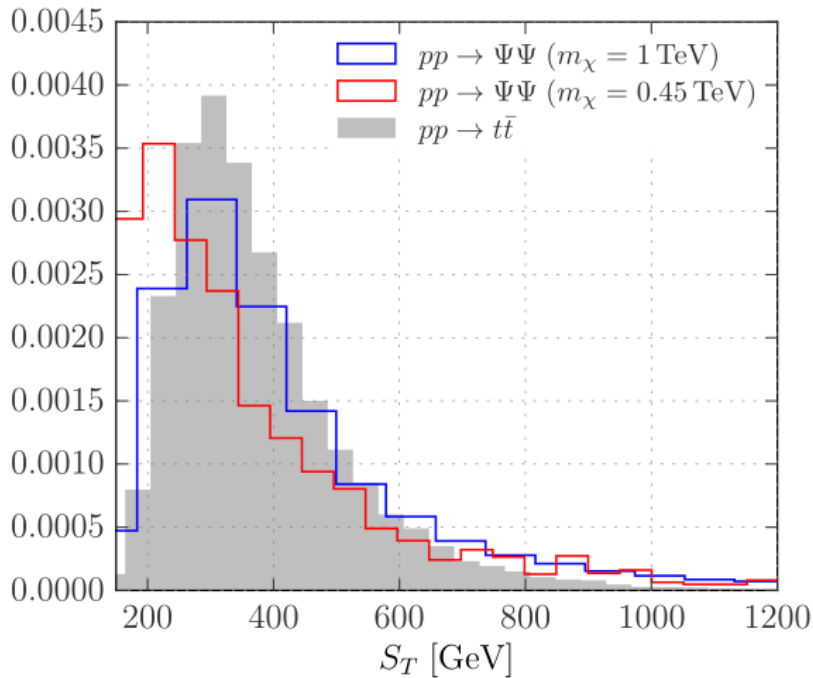
- Direct and indirect DM detection constraints are **not relevant**. Collider searches for the  $\psi$  are the only **viable** option.



- We study  $\psi$  pair-production and find that due to the compression of the mass spectrum, the decay products of the  $\psi$  carry low momenta and **fail** to pass the experimental selection criteria of existing searches.

## Collider constraints ( $\psi$ pair-production)

- We propose a new search based on a MET-sensitive novel search.



- We estimate that the search will set a lower bound of 500 GeV for  $m_\chi$ .

## Collider constraints ( $\psi$ -onium)

- Another important consequence of the compressed spectrum is the tiny decay rate of  $\psi$ . These particles are enough long-lived in order to hadronize after their production.
- Bound QCD states ( $\bar{\psi}\psi$ ) (analogous to quarkonia) may lead to distinguishing signatures via EW decay to dileptons.

