

Flavour violating gluino and squark decays @ LHC

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- The squark are, however, not necessarily quark-flavour eigenstates. Flavour mixing in the squark sector may be stronger than in the quark sector. QFV decays can then occur with significant rates

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- In the following we assume NMFV

- The flavour-violating terms are contained in the mass matrices of the squarks at the electroweak scale

$$\mathcal{M}_q^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_q^2{}_{LL} & (\mathcal{M}_q^2{}_{RL})^\dagger \\ \mathcal{M}_q^2{}_{RL} & \mathcal{M}_q^2{}_{RR} \end{pmatrix}, \quad q = u, d.$$

- The 3×3 soft-breaking matrices can introduce flavour violating (off-diagonal) terms, e.g. in the up-squark sector

$$(\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{u}}^2{}_{LL})_{\alpha\beta} = M_{Q_{u\alpha\beta}}^2 + \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W \right) \cos 2\beta m_Z^2 + m_{u_\alpha}^2 \right] \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$(\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{u}}^2{}_{RR})_{\alpha\beta} = M_{U_{\alpha\beta}}^2 + \left[\left(\frac{2}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W \right) \cos 2\beta m_Z^2 + m_{u_\alpha}^2 \right] \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$(\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{u}}^2{}_{RL})_{\alpha\beta} = (v_2/\sqrt{2}) T_{U\beta\alpha} - m_{U_\alpha} \mu^* \cot \beta \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

- After diagonalization with a 6×6 rotation matrix $R^{\tilde{u}}$, the mass eigenstates are obtained $\tilde{u}_i = R_{i\alpha}^{\tilde{u}} \tilde{u}_{0\alpha}$, where $R^{\tilde{u}} \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{u}}^2 R^{\tilde{u}\dagger} = \text{diag}(m_{\tilde{u}_1}, \dots, m_{\tilde{u}_6})$, with $m_{\tilde{u}_i} < m_{\tilde{u}_j}$ for $i < j$

- Dimensionless QFV parameters are introduced, in the up-type squark sector ($\alpha \neq \beta$)

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{\alpha\beta}^{LL} &\equiv M_{Q\alpha\beta}^2 / \sqrt{M_{Q\alpha\alpha}^2 M_{Q\beta\beta}^2} \\ \delta_{\alpha\beta}^{uRR} &\equiv M_{U\alpha\beta}^2 / \sqrt{M_{U\alpha\alpha}^2 M_{U\beta\beta}^2} \\ \delta_{\alpha\beta}^{uRL} &\equiv (v_2/\sqrt{2}) T_{U\beta\alpha} / \sqrt{M_{U\alpha\alpha}^2 M_{Q\beta\beta}^2}\end{aligned}$$

- Analogously in the down-type squark sector

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{\alpha\beta}^{dRR} &\equiv M_{D\alpha\beta}^2 / \sqrt{M_{D\alpha\alpha}^2 M_{D\beta\beta}^2} \\ \delta_{\alpha\beta}^{dRL} &\equiv (v_2/\sqrt{2}) T_{D\beta\alpha} / \sqrt{M_{D\alpha\alpha}^2 M_{Q\beta\beta}^2}\end{aligned}$$

Constraints on the MSSM parameters

Theoretical constraints

- From the vacuum stability conditions, the trilinear coupling matrices are constrained as follows

$$|T_{U\alpha\alpha}|^2 < 3 Y_{U\alpha}^2 (M_{Q\alpha\alpha}^2 + M_{U\alpha\alpha}^2 + m_2^2),$$

$$|T_{D\alpha\alpha}|^2 < 3 Y_{D\alpha}^2 (M_{Q\alpha\alpha}^2 + M_{D\alpha\alpha}^2 + m_1^2),$$

$$|T_{U\alpha\beta}|^2 < Y_{U\gamma}^2 (M_{Q\alpha\alpha}^2 + M_{U\beta\beta}^2 + m_2^2),$$

$$|T_{D\alpha\beta}|^2 < Y_{D\gamma}^2 (M_{Q\alpha\alpha}^2 + M_{D\beta\beta}^2 + m_1^2),$$

where $\alpha, \beta = 1, 2, 3$, $\alpha \neq \beta$; $\gamma = \text{Max}(\alpha, \beta)$ and

$$m_1^2 = (m_{H^\pm}^2 + m_Z^2 \sin^2 \theta_W) \sin^2 \beta - \frac{1}{2} m_Z^2,$$

$$m_2^2 = (m_{H^\pm}^2 + m_Z^2 \sin^2 \theta_W) \cos^2 \beta - \frac{1}{2} m_Z^2.$$

$Y_{U\alpha}$ and $Y_{D\alpha}$ are the Yukawa couplings of the up-type and down-type quarks.

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Experimental constraints

- Strong constraints on mixing involving the first generation from precision measurements of K and B meson decays
- Only mixing between **second and third generation** squarks considered. Despite the constraints from B physics still allows appreciable mixing
- SUSY mass limits from direct collider searches
- Electroweak precision and low-energy measurements

$$B(b \rightarrow s\gamma) = (3.37 \pm 0.23) \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$\Delta M_{B_s} = (17.725 \pm 0.049) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta\rho (\text{SUSY}) < 0.0012$$

$$B(b \rightarrow s\mu^+\mu^-) = (1.60 \pm 0.50) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

$$B(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) < 4.2 \cdot 10^{-9}$$

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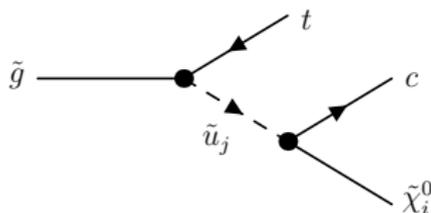
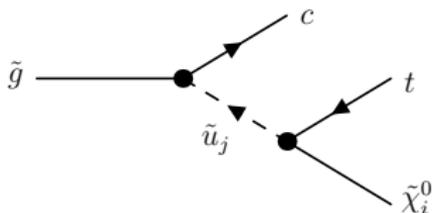
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- \implies One has the following QFV three-body decays into quarks and neutralino

$$\tilde{g} \rightarrow c\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_i^0, \bar{c}t\tilde{\chi}_i^0, \tilde{g} \rightarrow s\bar{b}\tilde{\chi}_i^0, \bar{s}b\tilde{\chi}_i^0.$$



- We will mainly focus on decays into the lightest neutralino, $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$

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Reference scenario

- Basic MSSM input parameters (at the weak scale and real)

$$\{\tan\beta, m_{A^0}, M_1, M_2, M_3, \mu, M_{Q\alpha\beta}^2, M_{U\alpha\beta}^2, M_{D\alpha\beta}^2, T_{U\alpha\beta}, T_{D\alpha\beta}\}$$

- Quark-flavour violating parameters

$$M_{Q\alpha\beta}^2, M_{U\alpha\beta}^2, M_{D\alpha\beta}^2, T_{U\alpha\beta}, T_{D\alpha\beta}, \alpha \neq \beta$$

- Reference scenario

| M_1 | M_2 | M_3 | μ | $\tan\beta$ | m_{A^0} |
|---------|---------|---------|----------|-------------|-----------|
| 139 GeV | 264 GeV | 800 GeV | 1000 GeV | 10 | 800 GeV |

| | $\alpha = \beta = 1$ | $\alpha = \beta = 2$ | $\alpha = \beta = 3$ |
|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| $M_{Q\alpha\beta}^2$ | $(3150)^2 \text{ GeV}^2$ | $(3100)^2 \text{ GeV}^2$ | $(3050)^2 \text{ GeV}^2$ |
| $M_{U\alpha\beta}^2$ | $(3000)^2 \text{ GeV}^2$ | $(2200)^2 \text{ GeV}^2$ | $(2150)^2 \text{ GeV}^2$ |
| $M_{D\alpha\beta}^2$ | $(3000)^2 \text{ GeV}^2$ | $(2990)^2 \text{ GeV}^2$ | $(2980)^2 \text{ GeV}^2$ |

- All constraints are satisfied, $T_{\{U,D\}\alpha\alpha} = 0$

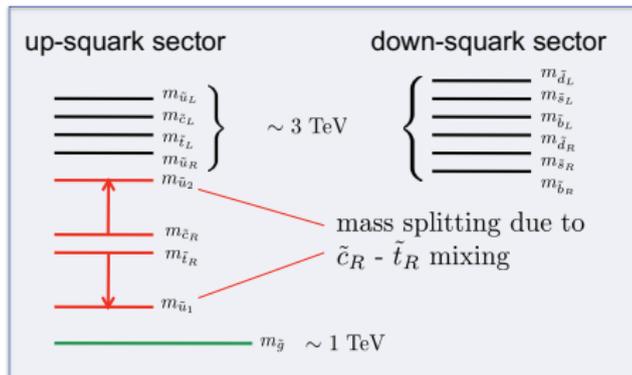
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Physical output

- The numerical calculations of the decay BRs and physical masses are performed with **Sphenov3.0**
- Physical masses of the SUSY particles in the reference scenario chosen (Fairly insensitive to the QFV parameters)

| Particle | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_3^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_4^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^+}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^+}$ | $m_{\tilde{g}}$ |
|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Ph. mass [GeV] | 139 | 281.3 | 1017.9 | 1021.7 | 281.5 | 1022.7 | 975 |

| Particle | m_{h^0} | m_{H^0} | m_{A^0} | m_{H^\pm} |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Ph. mass [GeV] | 121.1 | 800.3 | 800 | 804 |



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Relevant QVF parameters

- QFV left-right mixing is not relevant for our study
- * We show this for the left-right mixing parameter δ_{23}^{uRL}

Due to the vacuum stability condition we have

$$|T_{U32}|^2 \lesssim Y_{U3}^2 (M_{Q33}^2 + M_{U22}^2 + m_2) \approx M_{Q33}^2 + M_{U22}^2 \approx \mathcal{O}(10\text{TeV}^2),$$

because $Y_{U3} \approx 1$ and $m_2 \ll M_{Q33}^2 + M_{U22}^2$.

$$\implies |\delta_{23}^{uRL}| = \frac{v_2}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|T_{U32}|}{\sqrt{M_{U22}^2 M_{Q33}^2}} \lesssim \frac{v_2}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{M_{U22}^2 + M_{Q33}^2}{M_{U22}^2 M_{Q33}^2}} \approx 0.1$$

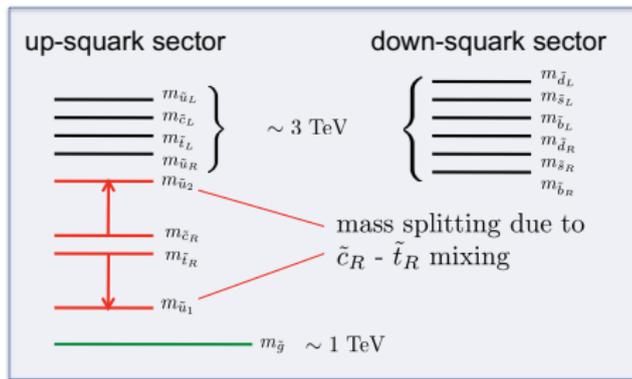
Analogously, the parameters δ_{23}^{uLR} , δ_{23}^{dRL} , δ_{23}^{dLR} are also constrained to be very small

- Relevant QFV parameters for our study are δ_{23}^{LL} ($\tilde{c}_L - \tilde{t}_L$),
 δ_{23}^{uRR} ($\tilde{c}_R - \tilde{t}_R$), δ_{23}^{dRR} ($\tilde{s}_R - \tilde{b}_R$)

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Numerical results

- Squark and gluino masses



- All squarks but \tilde{u}_1 are heavy \implies gluino decay is dominated by virtual \tilde{u}_1 exchange
- \tilde{u}_1 is a strong mixture of \tilde{c}_R and $\tilde{t}_R \implies$ QFV branching ratio $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow c\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ can be large

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- Due to the effective $\tilde{c} - \tilde{t}$ mixing

$$\tilde{u}_1 \sim \cos \theta \tilde{c}_R + \sin \theta \tilde{t}_R$$

$$\tilde{u}_2 \sim -\sin \theta \tilde{c}_R + \cos \theta \tilde{t}_R$$

there can be a strong destructive interference between \tilde{u}_1 and \tilde{u}_2 if their masses are similar

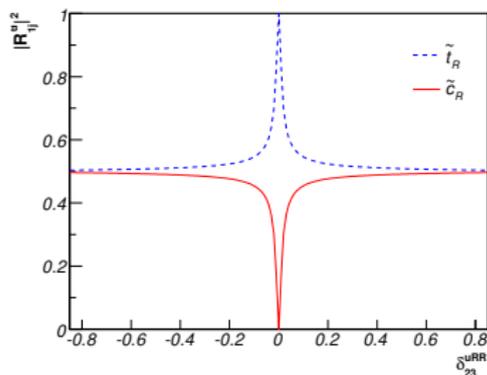
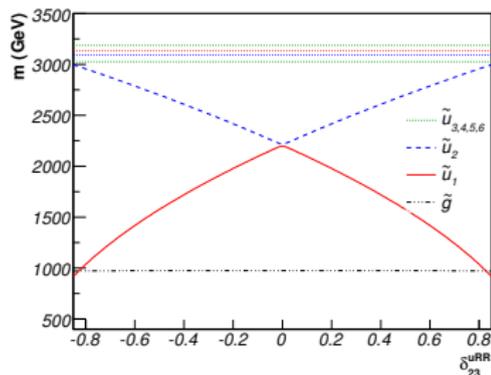
$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{g} \rightarrow c + t + \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \quad (\text{via } \tilde{u}_1) \quad + \quad \tilde{g} \rightarrow c + t + \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \quad (\text{via } \tilde{u}_2) \\ & \sim + \frac{\cos \theta \sin \theta}{p^2 - m_{\tilde{u}_1}^2} \quad \quad \quad \sim - \frac{\cos \theta \sin \theta}{p^2 - m_{\tilde{u}_2}^2} \end{aligned}$$

- In order to suppress such cancellations large mass splitting is required and hence large values of the mixing term M_{U23}^2 ($\sim \delta_{23}^{uRR}$)

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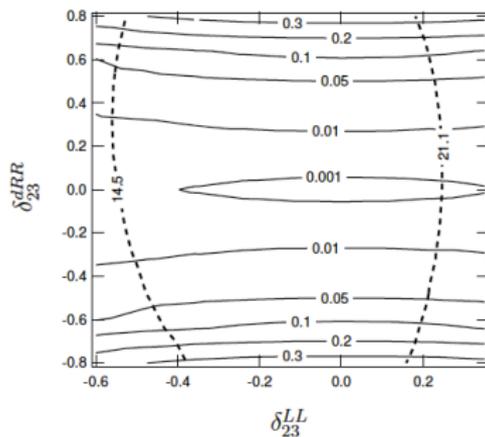
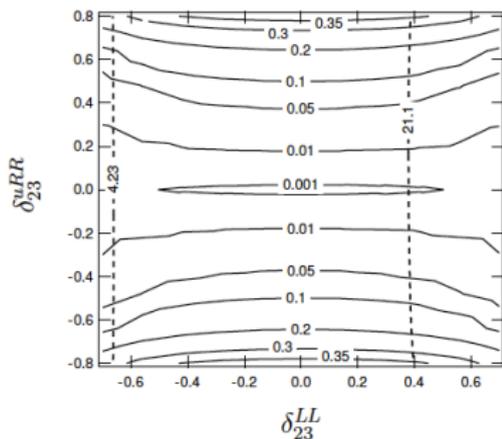
- Up-type squark masses and flavour decomposition of \tilde{u}_1 as a function of $\delta_{23}^{uRR}(\tilde{c}_R - \tilde{t}_R)$, all other QVF parameters are zero



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- QVF decay branching ratio $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow ct\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ { $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \bar{b}\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ } in the δ_{23}^{uRR} { δ_{23}^{dRR} } - δ_{23}^{LL} plane



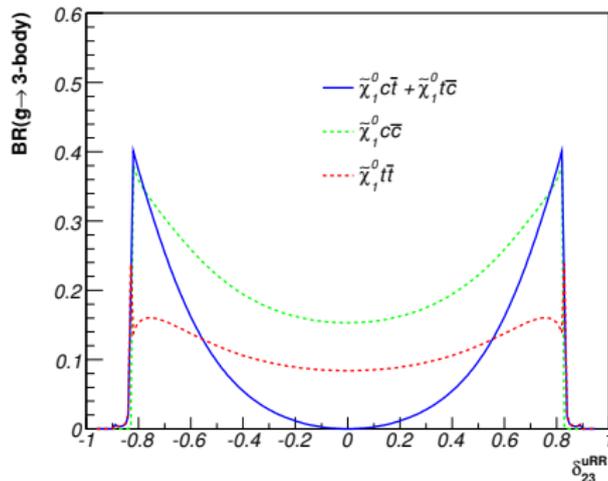
$$B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow ct\tilde{\chi}_1^0) \equiv B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow ct\tilde{\chi}_1^0) + B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \bar{c}t\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$$

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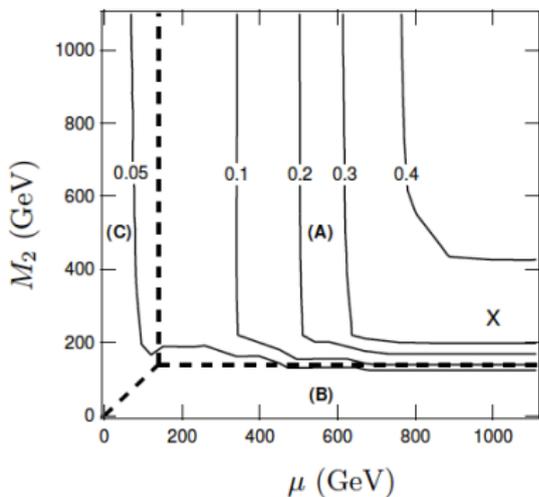
- Branching ratios of the decays $\tilde{g} \rightarrow ct\tilde{\chi}_1^0$, $\tilde{g} \rightarrow c\bar{c}\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ and $\tilde{g} \rightarrow t\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ as functions of δ_{23}^{uRR} , the other QFV parameters are zero



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Influence of the neutralino/chargino parameters on the QVF three-body decays of gluino

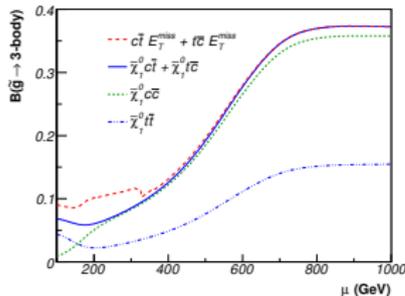
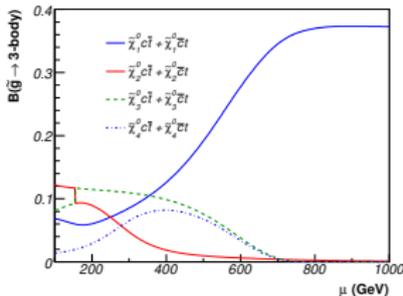
- Squark generation mixing enters also the squark-quark-neutralino couplings
- The neutralino/chargino parameters can also influence the QVF gluino three-body decays
- Contour plot for $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow ct\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ in the $\mu - M_2$ plane for $\delta_{23}^{uRR} = 0.8$, the other QVF parameters being zero, Region A: bino-like LSP, Region B: wino-like LSP, Region C: higgsino-like LSP



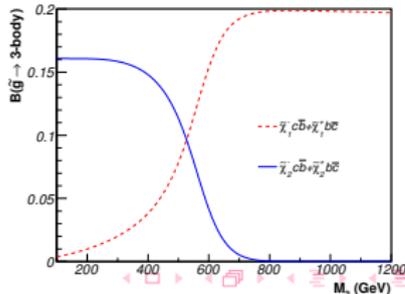
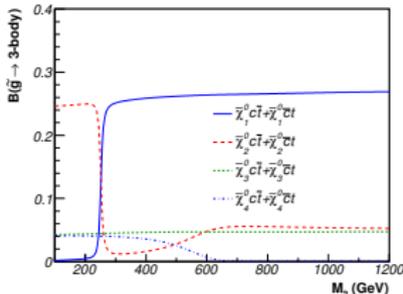
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- μ dependence of the QVF and QFC gluino decay branching ratios for $\delta_{23}^{uRR} = 0.8$, the other QVF parameters being zero



- The M_2 dependence of the QVF gluino decay branching ratios for $M_1 = 264$ GeV, $\mu = 600$ GeV, $\delta_{23}^{uRR} = 0.8$, the other QVF parameters being zero



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Influence of the neutralino/chargino parameters on the QVF three-body decays of gluino

- Weak scale parameters, the corresponding neutralino and chargino masses and some important branching ratios for a scenario with a higgsino-like LSP ($\mu < M_1, M_2$)

| M_1 | M_2 | M_3 | μ | $\tan \beta$ | m_A^0 |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|---------|
| 139 GeV | 264 GeV | 800 GeV | 120 GeV | 10 | 800 GeV |

| $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_3^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_4^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm}$ |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 87.0 GeV | 133.1 GeV | 158.3 GeV | 310.1 GeV | 109.3 GeV | 310.1 GeV |

| $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow c\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ | $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow c\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_2^0)$ | $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow b\bar{c}\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm)$ | $B(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0\nu\bar{\nu})$ | $B(\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm\nu_\mu\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| 3.4 % | 6.1 % | 11.2 % | 18.4 % | 11.2 % |

$\delta_{23}^{uRR} = 0.8$, the other QVF parameters being zero

- Signature from $\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}^\pm + b\bar{c}(\bar{b}c) + \mu^\pm(e^\pm) + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ with $\approx 5\%$ probability
(from MFV $\approx 10^{-4}$)

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- Weak scale parameters, the corresponding neutralino and chargino masses and some important branching ratios for a scenario with a wino-like LSP ($M_2 < M_1, \mu$)

| M_1 | M_2 | M_3 | μ | $\tan \beta$ | m_A^0 |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|---------|
| 400 GeV | 300 GeV | 800 GeV | 350 GeV | 10 | 800 GeV |

| $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_3^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_4^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm}$ |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 275.5 GeV | 362.6 GeV | 376.4 GeV | 433.1 GeV | 280.0 GeV | 407.1 GeV |

| $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow c\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ | $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow c\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_2^0)$ | $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow b\bar{c}\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm)$ | $B(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0\nu\bar{\nu})$ | $B(\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm\nu_\mu\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ |
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| 2.5 % | 6.3 % | 5.8 % | 4.1 % | 13.2 % |

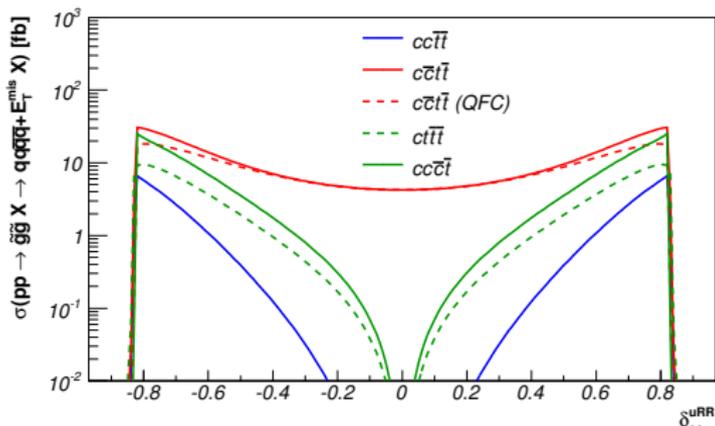
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Measurability

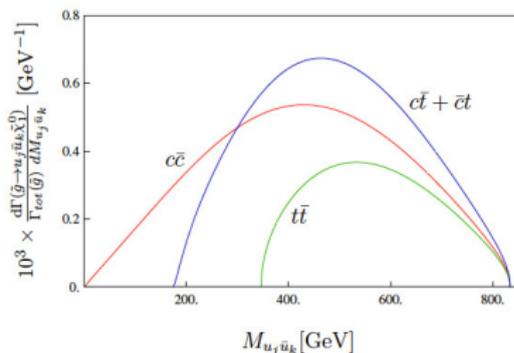
- Production cross section calculated at leading order with WHIZARD/O'MEGA packages, CTEQ6L parton density fit with PDFs factorization scale $Q = m_{\tilde{p}_1 + \tilde{p}_2}$, $\alpha_s(Q)$ evaluated at two-loop level
- Dominant production process $pp \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{g}X$, with X containing beam jets only
- In our scenario gluino production cross section practically independent on δ_{23}^{uRR} , at the reference point $\approx 170\text{fb}$ (3 fb) for $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV (7 TeV)
- Signal rates for $pp \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{g}X$ at $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV where at least one of the gluinos decays as $\tilde{g} \rightarrow c\bar{t}(\bar{c}t)\tilde{\chi}_1^0$, as a function of δ_{23}^{uRR}



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- Invariant mass distributions of two up-type quarks from the decay $\tilde{g} \rightarrow u_j \bar{u}_k \tilde{\chi}_1^0$, $d\Gamma(\tilde{g} \rightarrow u_j \bar{u}_k \tilde{\chi}_1^0) / (\Gamma_{tot}(\tilde{g}) dM_{u_j \bar{u}_k})$, where $M_{u_j \bar{u}_k}$ is the invariant mass of the two-quark system $u_j \bar{u}_k$, $M_{u_j \bar{u}_k}^2 = (p_{u_j} + p_{\bar{u}_k})^2$, $\delta_{23}^{uRR} = 0.8$



- Endpoint at $(m_{\tilde{g}} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0})$, thresholds at $2m_c$, $m_c + m_t$ and $2m_t$
- No edge structure, in contrast to two-body gluino decays, where the gluino first decays into real squark
- Measuring can help distinguishing QFV from QFC decays

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- A typical $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ production even contains at least 4 large- p_T jets + large E_T^{miss}
- An event with a QFV gluino decay $\tilde{g} \rightarrow c\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0(\bar{c}t\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ should contain at least 1 top (anti-top) in the final state to be identified, possible with $t \rightarrow bW^\pm$ or c-tagging
- Typical signatures of QFV \tilde{g} pair events are: $t(\text{or } \bar{t}) + 3 \text{ jets} + E_T^{\text{mis}} + X$, $t + t$ (or $\bar{t} + \bar{t}$) + 2 jets + $E_T^{\text{mis}} + X$ and $t + t + \bar{t}$ (or $\bar{t} + \bar{t} + t$) + 1 jet + $E_T^{\text{mis}} + X$, where X contains beam-jets only
- $t + t$ (or $\bar{t} + \bar{t}$) + 2jets + $E_T^{\text{mis}} + X$ can only be produced in the MSSM with QFV
- Small background

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Comment

- At the reference point $m_{h^0} = 121.1$ GeV
- In order to get $m_{h^0} = 125$ GeV we have to switch on $T_{U33} = h_t A_t = -2350$
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- In the super-CKM basis, the Lagrangian including the coupling of up-type squarks to h^0 contains the trilinear couplings $(T_U)_{ij}$ which are explicitly flavour-breaking terms that couple left-handed to right-handed squarks

$$\mathcal{L} \ni -\frac{g_2}{2m_W} h^0 \left[\tilde{u}_{iR}^* \tilde{u}_{jL} \left(\mu^* \frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \beta} m_{u,i} \delta_{ij} + \frac{\cos \alpha}{\sin \beta} \frac{v_2}{\sqrt{2}} (T_U)_{ji} \right) + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

- Our QVF parameters are those ones related to the up-type sector

$$\delta_{\alpha\beta}^{LL} \equiv M_{Q\alpha\beta}^2 / \sqrt{M_{Q\alpha\alpha}^2 M_{Q\beta\beta}^2}$$

$$\delta_{\alpha\beta}^{uRR} \equiv M_{U\alpha\beta}^2 / \sqrt{M_{U\alpha\alpha}^2 M_{U\beta\beta}^2}$$

$$\delta_{\alpha\beta}^{uRL} \equiv (v_2 / \sqrt{2}) T_{U\beta\alpha} / \sqrt{M_{U\alpha\alpha}^2 M_{Q\beta\beta}^2}$$

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Scenario A

- Weak scale basic MSSM parameters at $Q = 1$ TeV and physical masses in GeV of the SUSY particles for Scenario A

$T_{\{U,D\}\alpha\alpha} = 0$, except for $T_{U33} = -2100$ ($\delta_{33}^{uRL} = -0.34$)

| M_1 | M_2 | M_3 | μ | $\tan \beta$ | m_{A0} |
|---------|---------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| 400 GeV | 800 GeV | 1000 GeV | 2640 GeV | 20 | 1500 GeV |

| | $\alpha = 1$ | $\alpha = 2$ | $\alpha = 3$ |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| $M_{Q\alpha\alpha}^2$ | $(2400)^2$ GeV ² | $(2360)^2$ GeV ² | $(1450)^2$ GeV ² |
| $M_{U\alpha\alpha}^2$ | $(2380)^2$ GeV ² | $(780)^2$ GeV ² | $(750)^2$ GeV ² |
| $M_{D\alpha\alpha}^2$ | $(2380)^2$ GeV ² | $(2340)^2$ GeV ² | $(2300)^2$ GeV ² |

| δ_{23}^{uLL} | δ_{23}^{uRR} | δ_{23}^{uRL} | δ_{23}^{uLR} |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 0.024 | 0.3 | -0.07 | 0 |

| $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_3^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_4^0}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^+}$ | $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^+}$ |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 397 | 824 | 2623 | 2625 | 825 | 2625 |

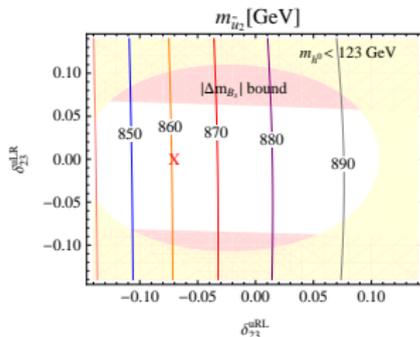
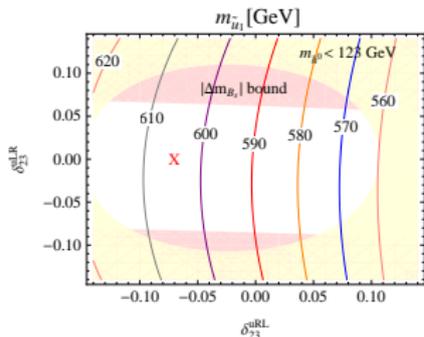
| m_{h0} | m_{H0} | m_{A0} | m_{H+} |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 126.0 | 1496 | 1500 | 1510 |

| $m_{\tilde{g}}$ | $m_{\tilde{u}_1}$ | $m_{\tilde{u}_2}$ | $m_{\tilde{u}_3}$ | $m_{\tilde{u}_4}$ | $m_{\tilde{u}_5}$ | $m_{\tilde{u}_6}$ |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1141 | 605 | 861 | 1477 | 2387 | 2401 | 2427 |

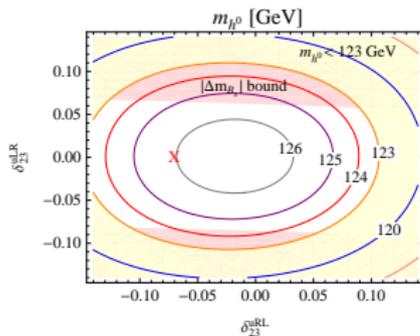
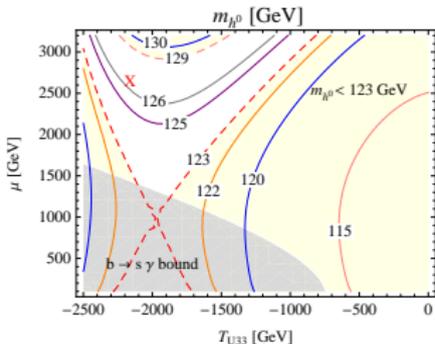
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Numerical results, Scenario A

- Dependence of the masses of \tilde{u}_1 and \tilde{u}_2 on δ_{23}^{uRL} and δ_{23}^{uLR}



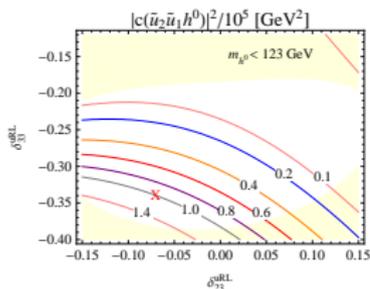
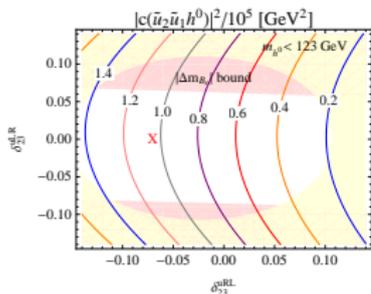
- m_{h^0} , as a function of T_{U33} and μ and as a function of δ_{23}^{uRL} and δ_{23}^{uLR}



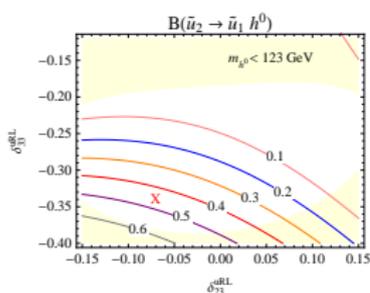
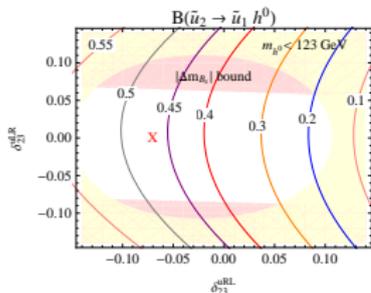
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Numerical results, Scenario A

- In the following we concentrate on $\tilde{u}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 h^0$
- The coupling $|c(\tilde{u}_2 \tilde{u}_1 h^0)|^2$ as a function of δ_{23}^{uRL} and δ_{23}^{uLR} and as a function of δ_{23}^{uRL} and δ_{33}^{uRL}



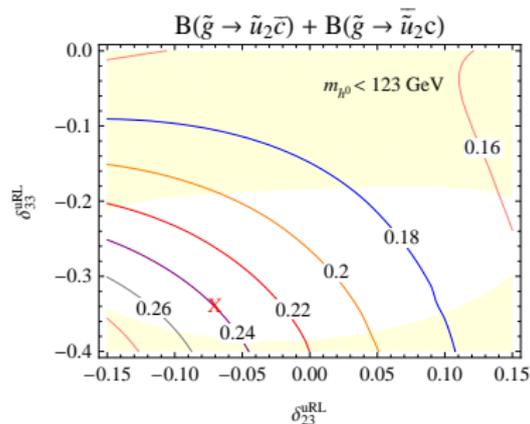
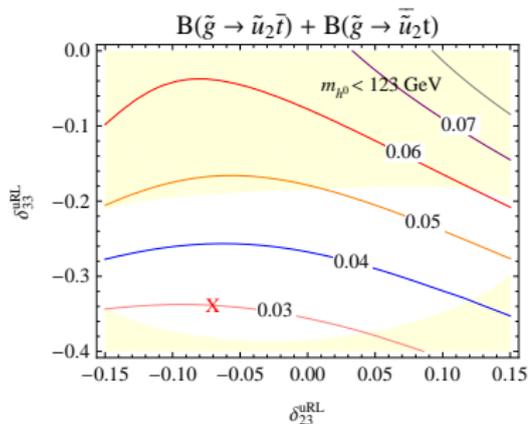
- $B(\tilde{u}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 h^0)$ as a function of δ_{23}^{uRL} and δ_{23}^{uLR} and as a function of δ_{23}^{uRL} and δ_{33}^{uRL}



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Numerical results, Scenario A

- At the reference point $B(\tilde{u}_3 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 h^0) = 22\%$, can go up to 30%, $B(\tilde{u}_3 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 h^0) = 10\%$. The branching ratios of $\tilde{u}_3 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 Z^0$ and $\tilde{u}_3 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 Z^0$ at the reference point are about 28% and 14%, respectively
- $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 \bar{c}) + B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 \bar{c})$ and $B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 \bar{t}) + B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 \bar{t})$ as functions of δ_{23}^{uRL} and δ_{33}^{uRL}



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Numerical results, Scenario B

- Scenario B, GUT-inspired: $M_1 \approx 0.5 M_2$, $M_3/M_2 = g_3^2/g_2^2$, where g_2 and g_3 are the SU(2) and SU(3) gauge coupling constants, respectively
- Only M_1, M_2 and M_3 are changed with respect to scenario A, $M_1 = 250$ GeV, $M_2 = 500$ GeV and $M_3 = 1500$ GeV
- Large $m_{\tilde{g}} = 1626$ GeV \implies small production cross section
- The dependences of the QFV parameters are similar like in scenario A

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Numerical results, Scenario C

- Scenario C, parameters changed with respect to scenario A

$$M_{U22}^2 = (650 \text{ GeV})^2, \quad M_{U33}^2 = (1600 \text{ GeV})^2, \quad M_{Q33}^2 = (780 \text{ GeV})^2,$$
$$\delta_{23}^{uLL} = 0, \quad \delta_{23}^{uRR} = 0, \quad \delta_{23}^{uRL} = -0.17, \quad \delta_{33}^{uRL} = -0.3$$

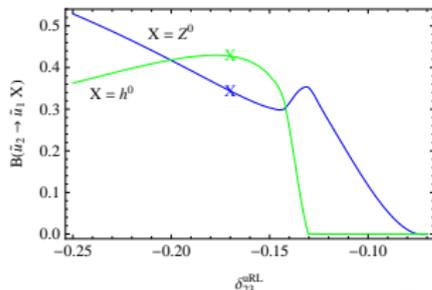
- $\delta_{23}^{uRL} (\sim T_{U32})$ much larger than that in Scenario A
- Physical masses and branching ratios

$$m_{\tilde{g}} = 1134 \text{ GeV}, m_{\tilde{u}_1} = 651 \text{ GeV}, m_{\tilde{u}_2} = 800 \text{ GeV}, m_{\tilde{u}_3} = 1580 \text{ GeV}, m_{h^0} = 125.3 \text{ GeV}$$

$$B(\tilde{u}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 h^0) = 43\%, B(\tilde{u}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 Z^0) = 34\%, B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 \bar{c}) + B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 c) = 8\%,$$

$$B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 \bar{t}) + B(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 t) = 15\%, B(\tilde{u}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 c) = 96\%, B(\tilde{u}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 t) = 4\%$$

- Both $B(\tilde{u}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 h^0)$ and $B(\tilde{u}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 Z^0)$ are very large, leading to the dominance of the QVF bosonic decays of \tilde{u}_2 .
- δ_{23}^{uRL} dependence of the branching ratios $B(\tilde{u}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 h^0)$ and $B(\tilde{u}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 Z^0)$



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Signatures

- Lighter squark states can be produced directly, $pp \rightarrow \tilde{u}_1 \bar{\tilde{u}}_1 X$, $pp \rightarrow \tilde{u}_2 \bar{\tilde{u}}_2 X$, or via gluino production, $pp \rightarrow \tilde{g} \tilde{g} X$, where at least one of the gluino decays into \tilde{u}_1 or \tilde{u}_2 , $\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{u}_{1,2} u$; $\tilde{u}_{1,2} c$; $\tilde{u}_{1,2} t$, with q being a light quark
- We assume that the t -quark can be identified, but the c -quark not
- Possible signatures expected from the QFV decays of \tilde{u}_2 into the lightest Higgs boson h^0 , t denotes top or anti-top, j denotes a c -quark jet

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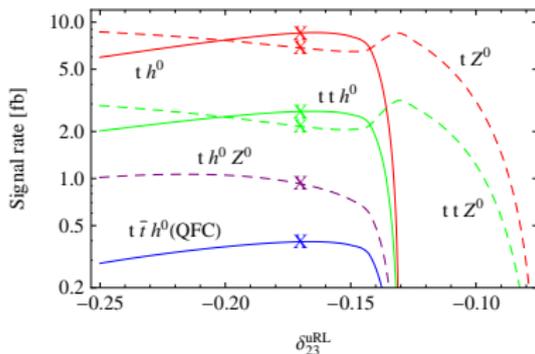
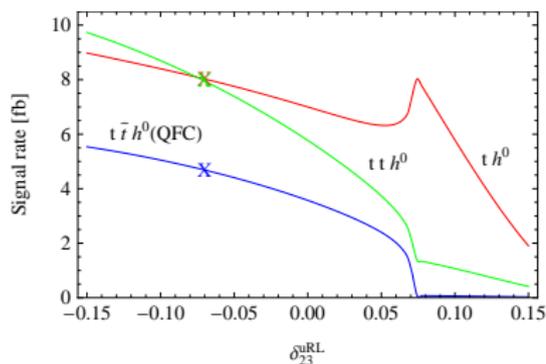
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- In scenario A, summing up the cross sections for all QFV final states with at least one h^0 one gets 19 fb \implies one could expect about 1900 of such events assuming an integrated luminosity of 100 fb.

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- Signal rates for the QFV bosonic squark decay signatures from gluino pair production in Scenario A and in Scenario C as functions of δ_{23}^{uRL} . The red solid (dashed) line corresponds to the pure QFV one t final state $3j + t + h^0$ (Z^0) + E_T^{miss} + X . The green solid (dashed) line corresponds to the QFV signal events with $2t$ coming from $tt/\bar{t}\bar{t}/t\bar{t} + 2j + h^0$ (Z^0) + E_T^{miss} + X . The blue solid line corresponds to the QFC signal events $t + \bar{t} + 2j + h^0 + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + X . The violet dashed line corresponds to the pure QFV one t final state $3j + t + h^0 + Z^0 + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + X .



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- The most pronounced QFV signature is $3j + t + h^0 + E_T^{\text{miss}} + X$, for example coming from $pp \rightarrow \tilde{g} \tilde{g} X \rightarrow \tilde{u}_{1,2} \bar{\tilde{t}} \tilde{u}_2 \bar{c} X \rightarrow \tilde{u}_{1,2} \bar{\tilde{t}} \tilde{u}_1 h^0 \bar{c} X \rightarrow c \bar{c} \bar{c} h^0 E_T^{\text{miss}} X$, which can have a cross section up to 8 fb in Scenario A. A further interesting QFV signature coming from gluino pair production is $2j + 2t + h^0 + E_T^{\text{miss}} + X$ with a cross section in Scenario A of about 4 fb.

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- The most pronounced QFV signature is $3j + t + h^0 + E_T^{\text{miss}} + X$, for example coming from $pp \rightarrow \tilde{g} \tilde{g} X \rightarrow \tilde{u}_{1,2} \bar{\tilde{u}}_2 \bar{c} X \rightarrow \tilde{u}_{1,2} \bar{\tilde{u}}_1 h^0 \bar{c} X \rightarrow c \bar{c} \bar{c} h^0 E_T^{\text{miss}} X$, which can have a cross section up to 8 fb in Scenario A. A further interesting QFV signature coming from gluino pair production is $2j + 2t + h^0 + E_T^{\text{miss}} + X$ with a cross section in Scenario A of about 4 fb.
- Our analyses suggest that QFV decays shall be taken into account as they can have an important influence on the search of squarks and gluinos at the LHC as well as on the determination of the MSSM parameters

Thank you for your attention!!!