Flavor Benchmarks

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1. The general idea(s)

Benchmarks: (are not a new idea . . .)

a set of parameter points in a (your favorite) model (beyond the SM)

- Tool for BSM searches at colliders (past, present, future)
  $\rightarrow$ often it is not feasible to scan over all parameters

- Map out the characteristics of the parameter space

- Take into account all(?) possibilities

- Ensure compatibility with all(?) current bounds
  - searches for new particles
  - (low-energy) flavor bounds
  - (low-energy) electroweak precision bounds
  - cold dark matter
  - . . .

Benchmarks can be used to:

- Study the performance of different detectors
- Study the performance of different experiments
- Perform very detailed studies
- Analyzing the complementarity of different experiments
- Work out synergy effects of different experiments

Prime example from the past: SPS (Snowmass points and slopes)
(especially SPS 1a)
[*hep-ph/0202233*]

External constraints?

If a benchmark is designed to test one sector of a specific model
⇒ should constraints from other sectors be taken into account?
⇒ could they be easily avoided?

If a benchmark is designed to test collider phenomenology

then little changes that do not affect the collider phenomenology can easily avoid:
– bounds from cold dark matter
– bounds on $(g-2)_\mu$
– b physics constraints

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My personal wishes:

Find/use points as described above (in the (N)MFV MSSM) . . .

that show interesting phenomenology in low- and high-energy experiments

⇒ study the complementarity of the low/high-energy experiments

⇒ study the synergy of the low/high-energy experiments

i.e. combine results from all sources to pin down the (N)MFV MSSM

. . . but this seems to be very difficult

2. Different approaches

After some discussions we agreed on a two-step process:

1. Identify "interesting" points ("benchmarks") for experimental analysis at ATLAS and CMS.
   "interesting" means points in the parameter space that are "favored" by available flavor and high-energy data.

2. Provide the tools (to a master tool) so that everyone (especially the experimentalists from ATLAS and CMS) can check potentially "interesting" points (for joint (experiment + theory) analyses).

And eventually (3.):
Perform the analysis to investigate the collider reach and phenomenology in the "interesting/favored" points

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Sounds good . . .
. . . reality looked a bit different

One approach (with ATLAS):

1. Start with SPS 1a

2. Check consistency with b physics observables

   tool: evaluate flavor physics obs. (B, K, B_s) in "near MFV models"
   (more by the end of the year . . .)

   check Higgs and precision observables with FeynHiggs

3. Not fully consistent? $\Rightarrow$ add (small?) flavor violation

   Fully consistent? $\Rightarrow$ add as much is allowed without violating constraints

4. $\Rightarrow$ check for new effects in high-energy analyses (ATLAS)

Status?

Ask Luca and/or Giacomo! ;-)

Another approach (with CMS):

1. Choose model: MFV MSSM
   later (hopefully) also NMFV MSSM

2. Find points that are in perfect agreement with b physics observables

3. Check against other observables (electroweak precision, masses)

   ⇒ build a master tool for checks
   (second step of the two-step process)

4. ⇒ check for effects in high-energy analyses (CMS)

Status?

See the next chapter of this talk

See the next talk by Michael Schmitt (UFL)

3. One approach in more detail

Step 1:

Model of our choice: MFV MSSM
possible extension at a later stage: NMFV MSSM

Starting point: hep-ph/0605012 [*Gino Isidori, Paride Paradisi*]

General feature: large $\tan\beta$, large M_{SUSY} $\longrightarrow$ T

These points:

– pass all current b physics bounds
– pass all current SUSY collider searches
– should be checked for the Higgs sector constraints
– should be checked for electroweak precision observables

$\Rightarrow$ may sound trivial, but wait for NMFV MSSM!

$\Rightarrow$ currently under study in CMS (see next talk)

Overview about the SUSY parameters:

	range	"best" value(s)
tan β	30 – 50	40
M_A [GeV]	300 – 1000	300, 500, 800, 1000
A_t [GeV]	-2000 – -1000	-1000, -2000
μ [GeV]	500 – 1000	500, 1000
$M_{\tilde{q}}$ [GeV]	$>$ 1000	1000, 2000
$M_{\tilde{l}}$	1/2 $M_{\tilde{q}}$	
$M_{\tilde{g}}$	$M_{\tilde{q}}$	
M_2 [GeV]		300, 500
M_1	1/2 M_2	

Step 2: the master tool

⇒ a code that calls the special codes evaluating all observables

1. code: b physics

   based on hep-ph/0605012 [*G. Isidori, P. Paradisi*]

   → used by the CMS experimentalists

2. code: Higgs and precision observables

   → FeynHiggs [*T. Hahn, S.H., W. Hollik, G. Weiglein*]

   → not yet included(?)

3. code: other/complementary observables

   → anybody interested?

⇒ Let's see how this works out . . .

4. Conclusions

- Benchmarks are an essential tool for collider studies

- Our idea here: study collider phenomenology in (SUSY) models:
  - agreement with direct experimental searches
  - agreement with flavor physics constraints
  - agreement with precision observables constraints

- Two step process:
  - identify such points
  - combine tools to a master tool (especially for experimentalists)

- One approach: SPS 1a (ATLAS)

- Second approach (CMS):
  - model: MFV MSSM (later: NMFV MSSM)
  - to fulfill b physics: large $\tan\beta$, large M_{SUSY}, ...
  - to check Higgs, precision observables

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