


A natural route to near-flavour-conservation in SUSY: the Minimal Flavour Violating MSSM

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Outline

- **Introduction:** impact of FCNC processes on generic SUSY corrections
⇒ New-Physics ‘flavour problem’
 - **Approach 1:** use exp. info to constrain the general MSSM
(general = with completely *free* soft terms)
 - **Approach 2:** implement a natural “near-flavour-conservation” mechanism
within the MSSM ⇒ MFV-MSSM
-  Application to meson mixings and discussion

General parameterization of FCNC in SUSY

The “rotation” that makes quark masses diagonal *does not need* to diagonalize squark masses as well

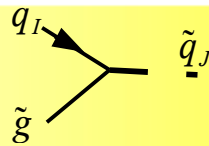
In the CKM basis for quarks the squark mass matrices are still *off-diagonal* in flavour (and ‘chirality’)

Then for squarks one chooses between:

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mass eigenstates

$$M_I \delta_{IJ}$$



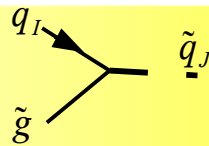
$$\propto Z_{IJ}$$

Propagators *diagonal* \Rightarrow exact calculations
However, many parameters: M_J, Z_{IJ}

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flavour eigenstates

$$M_{IJ}$$



$$\propto \delta_{IJ}$$

Propagators perturbatively diagonalized through “Mass Insertions”

Mass Matrices

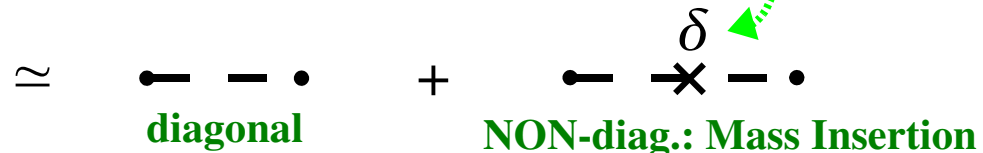
Interactions

Mass Insertion Approx

$$M \equiv \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & \Delta_{12}^{LL} & \dots \\ \Delta_{21}^{LL} & M_{22} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \approx \bar{M} \mathbf{1} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \delta_{12}^{LL} & \dots \\ \delta_{21}^{LL} & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

SUSY source of FCNC's

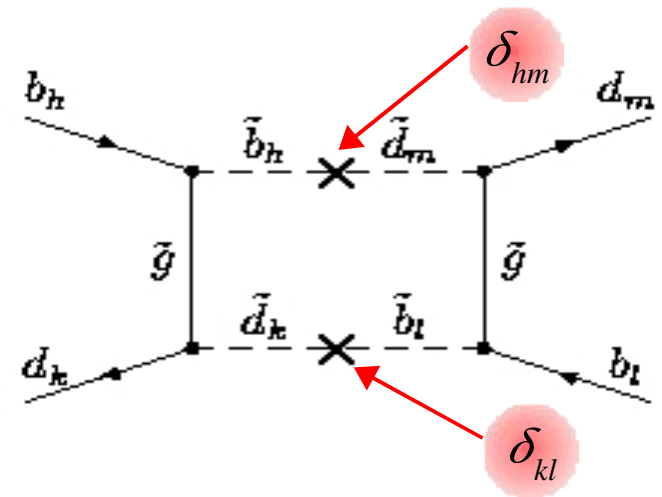
squark propagator (flavor basis + MIA)



Naïve assessment of SUSY effects

Example: $\Delta F = 2$ case

$$\text{SUSY corrections} \sim \left(\frac{\delta}{M_{\text{SUSY}}} \right)^2 \times f(\text{SUSY mass ratios})$$



Since mixing measurements check (within errors) with the SM, one has roughly:

$$|\text{SUSY corrections}| \leq \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{exp}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{th}}^2}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{th}} > 10 \% (!)$$

Sensitivity to O(%) deviations from SM demands **steady improvement** on the non-pert. error

bounds on δ
(or rather, on δ/M_{SUSY})

The SUSY (and NP in general) flavour problem

a) assuming $M_{\text{SUSY}} \sim \text{O}(300 \text{ GeV})$ [if we want it to stabilize the ~~EW~~ scale]

$$\Rightarrow |\delta| < 10^{-2} \div 10^{-3}$$

in absence of a symmetry principle (e.g. GIM-like mechanism)
such small numbers are ugly

Let us write the down quark mass matrix, in the basis with diagonal interaction terms (the equivalent of the MIA basis) [values in GeV]

$$[\hat{m}_d]_{\text{MIA basis}} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} m_d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_b \end{pmatrix} \cdot V_{\text{CKM}}^+ = \begin{pmatrix} 6.8 \times 10^{-3} & -1.6 \times 10^{-3} & (5.2 + 2.3i) 10^{-5} \\ 2.3 \times 10^{-2} & 9.7 \times 10^{-2} & -4.2 \times 10^{-3} \\ (0.9 + 1.4i) \times 10^{-2} & 1.8 \times 10^{-1} & 4.3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(does this matrix “look better” ?)

b) assuming $|\delta| \sim \text{O}(1)$

$$\Rightarrow M_{\text{SUSY}} \gg \text{O}(\text{TeV})$$

back to “Separation-of-Scales” Problems

Theoretical approaches to SUSY flavour effects

- 1 **Constrain the ‘general’ MSSM**
(with completely free soft terms)

*not easy without simplifying assumptions:
bulkiness of the parameter space*

Take the δ bounds “as they come”
(from measured FCNCs)
and study allowed effects on still-to-measure quantities (e.g. $A_{CP}[B_s \rightarrow \psi\phi]$, ...)

- 2 **Maybe FCNC effects in SUSY are small, because already those in the SM are.**

i.e. low-energy flavour breaking “building blocks” are the same in the SM and in the MSSM

Naturalness of “near-flavour-conservation”
in SUSY: **MFV-MSSM**

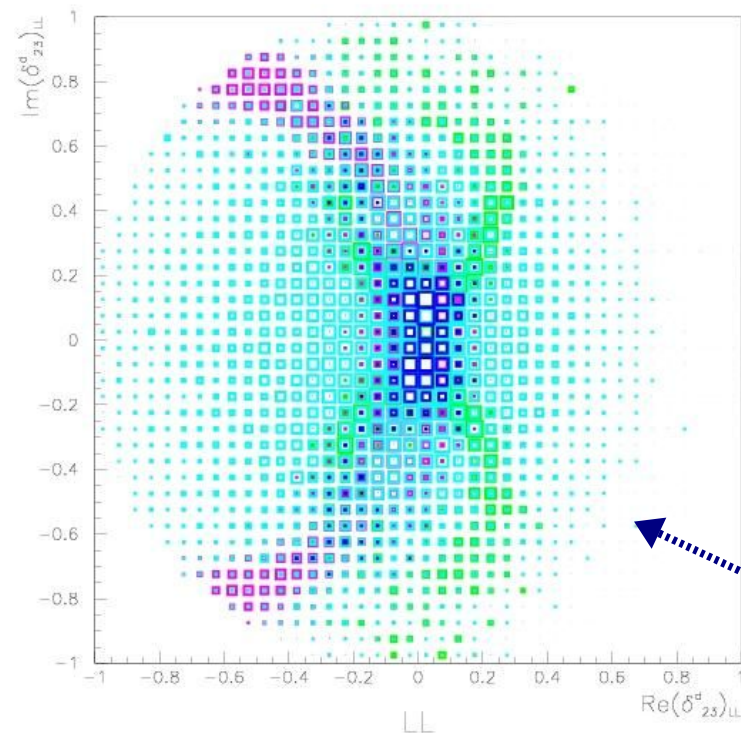
Hall & Randall

D’Ambrosio *et al.*

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**Constrain
the general MSSM**

Example: constraints from $b \rightarrow s$ FCNCs

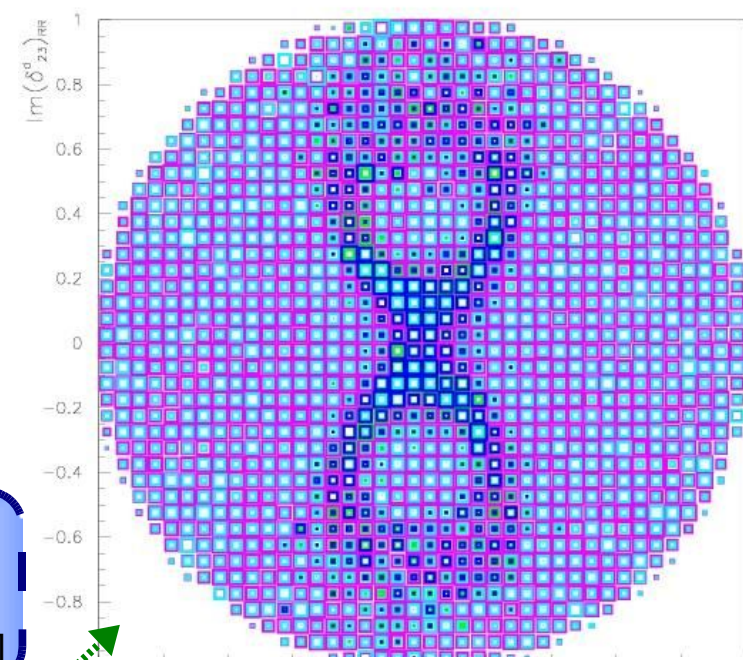


y-axis: $Im[(\delta^{23})_{XY}]$
x-axis: $Re[(\delta^{23})_{XY}]$

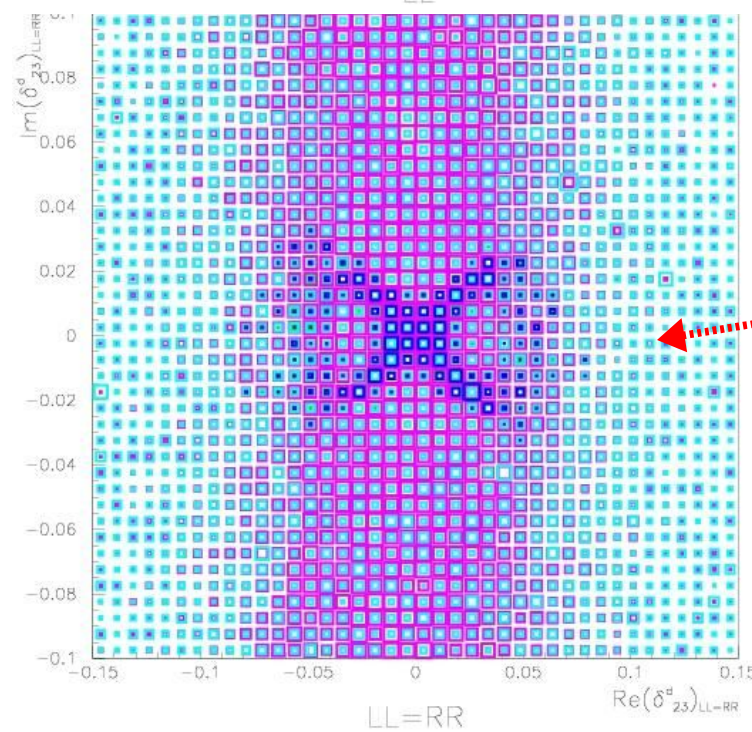
Constraints

- = Δm_s
- = $b \rightarrow s \gamma$
- = $b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$
- = all

LL only, $\tan \beta=3$
 $[-0.15, +0.15] + i [-0.25, 0.25]$

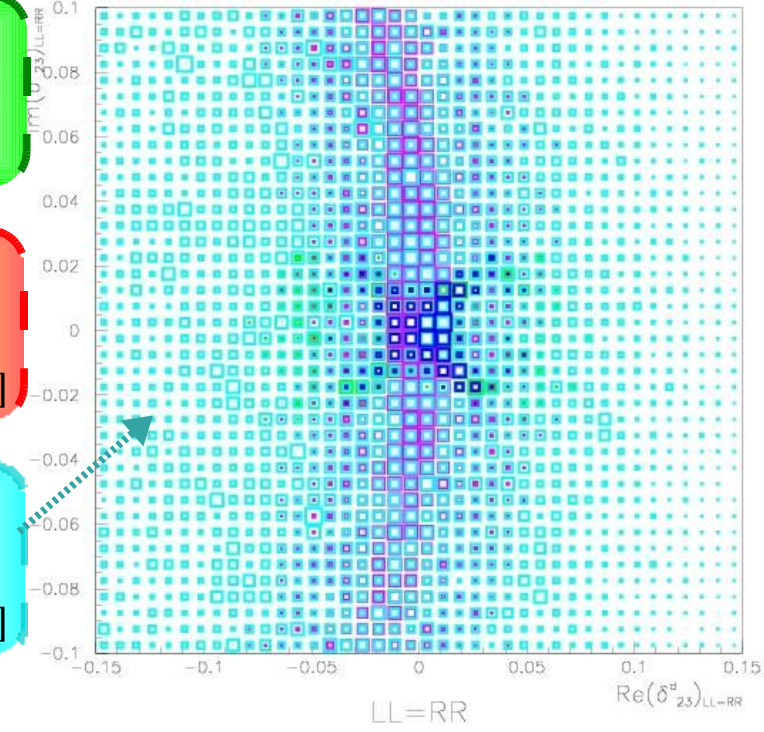


RR only, $\tan \beta=3$
 $[-0.4, +0.4] + i [-0.9, 0.9]$



LL=RR, $\tan \beta=3$
 $[-0.05, +0.05] + i [-0.03, 0.03]$

LL=RR, $\tan \beta=10$
 $[-0.03, +0.03] + i [-0.02, 0.02]$



Implication on the B_s – mixing phase

✓ In the SM one has $Arg M_{12}^{SM} \equiv Arg \{ \langle B_s | H_{eff, SM}^{\Delta B, S=2} | \bar{B}_s \rangle \} = -2\lambda^2 \eta \simeq -0.04$

☞ What is the allowed range for $Arg M_{12}^{MSSM}$ with the previous limits on the δ 's ?

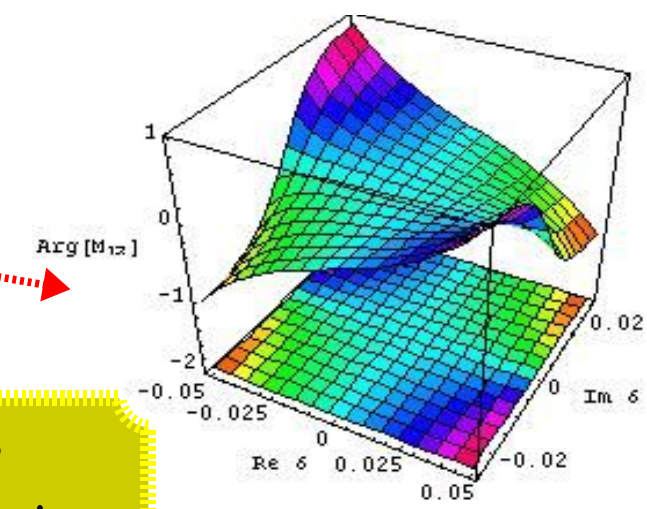
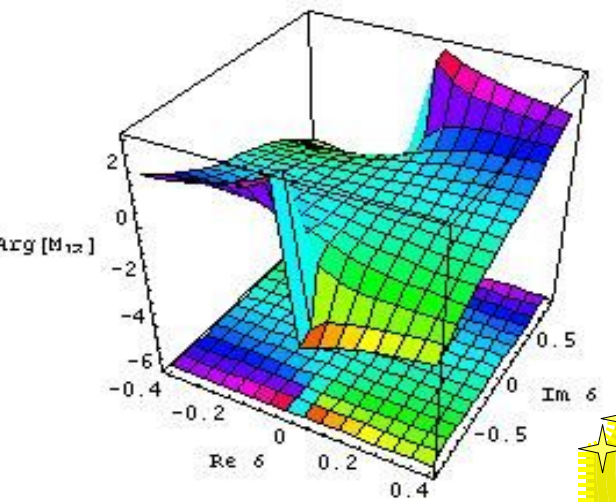
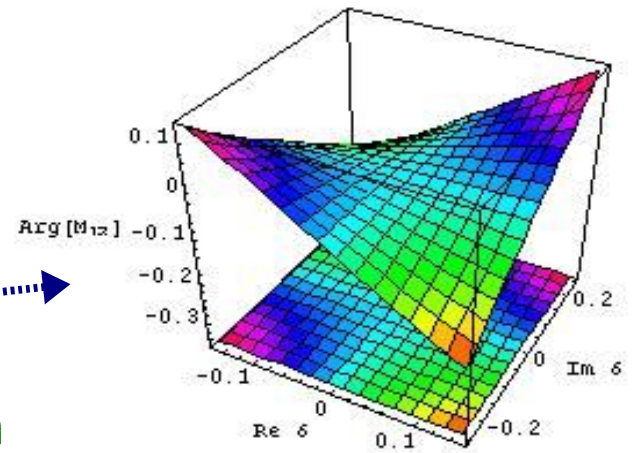
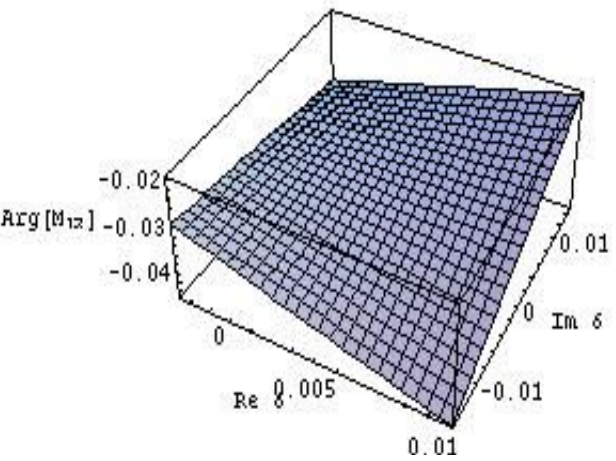
LR only, $\tan \beta=3$
no sizable deviations
from the SM

LL only, $\tan \beta=3$
 $\sim 10 \times$ SM value are allowed

RR only, $\tan \beta=3$
 $\sim 100 \times$ SM value are easy to get
(but RR is still mildly constrained...)

LL=RR, $\tan \beta=3$
 $\sim 100 \times$ SM value are again easy
(yet LL=RR is severely constrained!)

★ The CP asymmetry in $B_s \rightarrow \psi \phi$
will provide a truly fantastic probe! ★



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Minimal Flavour Violation in the MSSM

Minimal Flavour Violation (MFV)

MFV:

In the SM, FCNC are small, because of the GIM mechanism.
Can extensions of the SM incorporate a *similar* mechanism of near-flavour-(and CP)-conservation?

Controversial issue on how to define MFV

- 1 'pragmatic' definition, Buras *et al.*, '00:
in terms of allowed effective operators + explicit occurrence of the CKM
- 2 EFT definition, D'Ambrosio *et al.*, '02: in terms of the SM Yukawa couplings

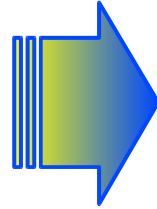
Def. 1 does not produce a consistent low-energy limit for the MSSM, even at low $\tan \beta$

Altmannshofer,
Buras, D.G., '07

- In fact, in extensions of the SM one has (by def.) **new**, a priori unrelated sources of flavour (and CP) violation.
- MFV can then only be defined as a 'symmetry requirement' for such **new** sources
- The set of allowed operators and FV structures is an **outcome** of such requirement

MFV 'principle'

☞ the SM Yukawa couplings are the *only* structures responsible for low-energy flavour and CP violation



every new source of flavour violation must be expressed as function of the SM Yukawa couplings

Example: soft mass term for 'left-handed' squarks

$$L_{\text{soft}} = - (m_Q^{IJ})^2 \left((\tilde{u}_L^I)^* \tilde{u}_L^J + (\tilde{d}_L^I)^* \tilde{d}_L^J \right) + \dots$$

a priori new source of flavour violation

FC effects are *naturally small*:
intuitively $\delta = O(1) \times f(\text{CKM})$

MFV expansion

$$[m_Q^2]^T = \underbrace{\bar{m}^2}_{\text{squark mass scale}} \underbrace{a_1 \mathbf{1}}_{\text{and}} + \underbrace{b_1 K^+ Y_u^2 K}_{\text{expansion coefficients}} + \underbrace{b_2 Y_d^2}_{\text{free parameters after the MFV expansion}} + O(Y_u^2 Y_d^2)$$

squark mass scale

and

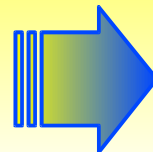
expansion coefficients

free parameters after the MFV expansion

Strategy

☞ After expansions, mass scales are only a few. Then:

- ① Fix them to scenarios
- ② Extract just the expansion coefficients (12 indep. parameters)

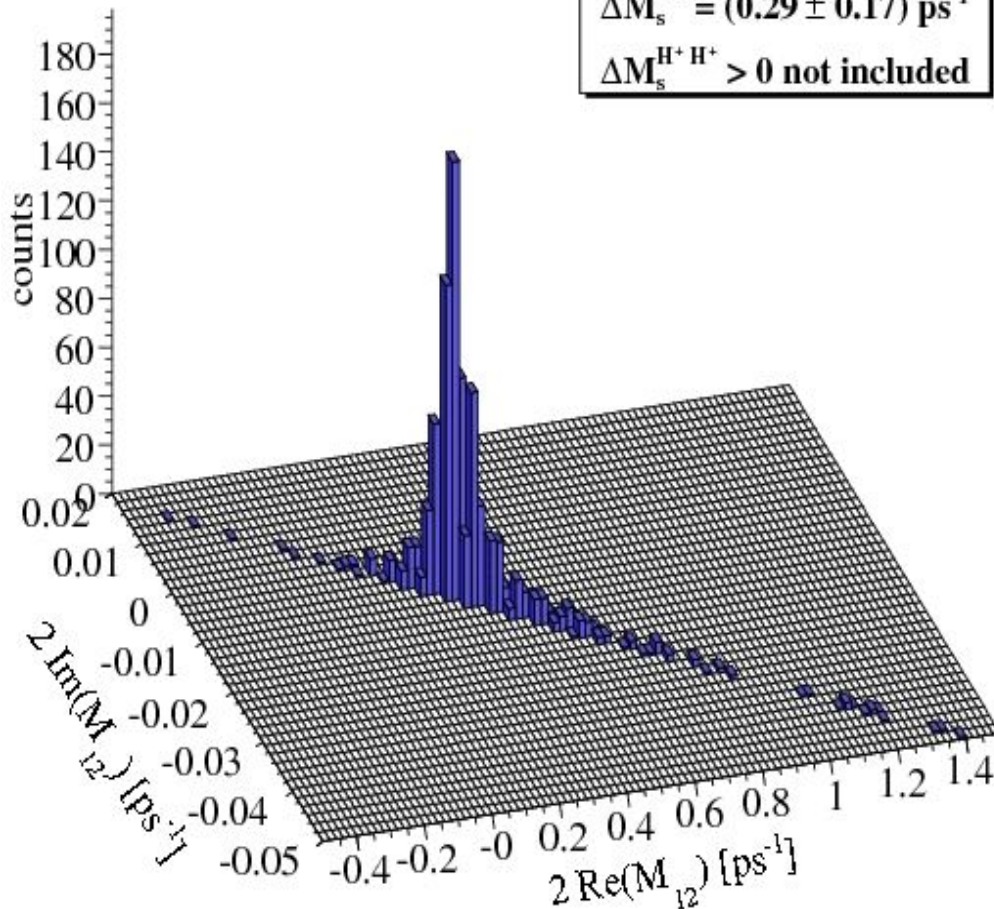


Dramatic increase in the predictivity and testability of the model

$\Delta F = 2$ example
for mass scales
chosen as

$\bar{m} = 200$ GeV	(squark scale)
$M_g = 500$ GeV	(gluino mass)
$M_{1,2} = (100, 500)$ GeV	(U(1)×SU(2) gaugino masses)
$\mu = 1000$ GeV	(μ -parameter)

$\overline{B}_s - B_s$ amplitude



Comments

- Distributions of values, due to the extraction of the expansion parameters, are quite *narrow*
- Corrections are *naturally small*
- Corrections are *dominantly positive*. Signature of the MFV-MSSM at low $\tan \beta$

Due to MFV,
the mixing phase is
aligned with the SM value

Large μ scenario

Notes

- When μ is large, LR entries in the squark mass matrices become relevant, even for low $\tan \beta$.
- They manifest dominantly in gluino contributions, which become competitive with chargino's.

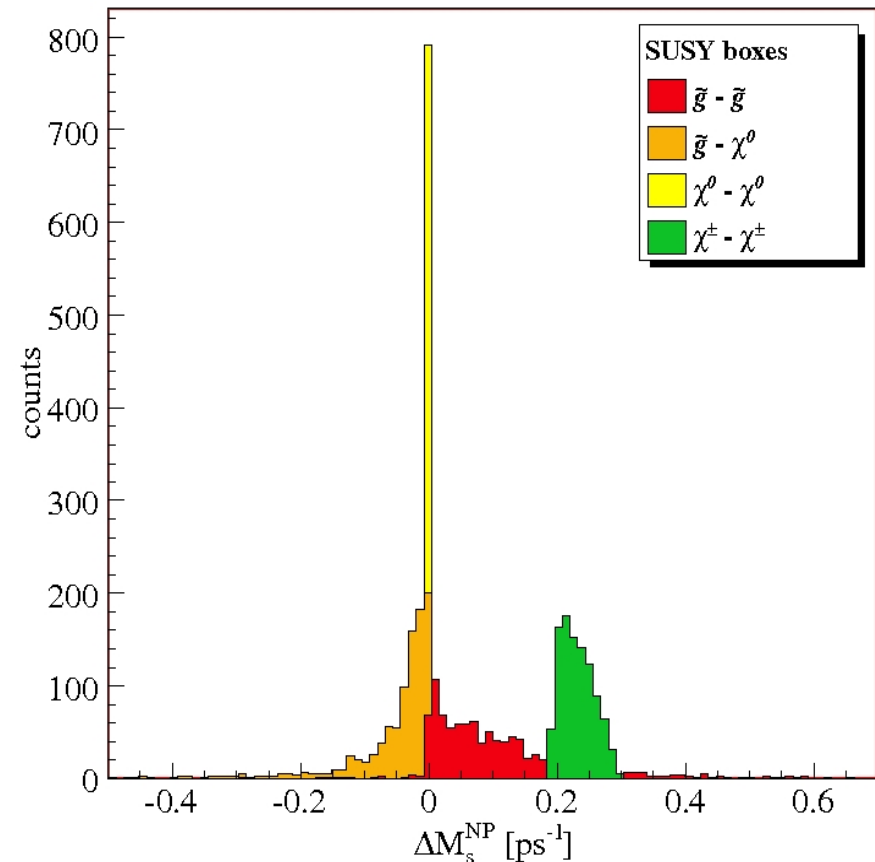
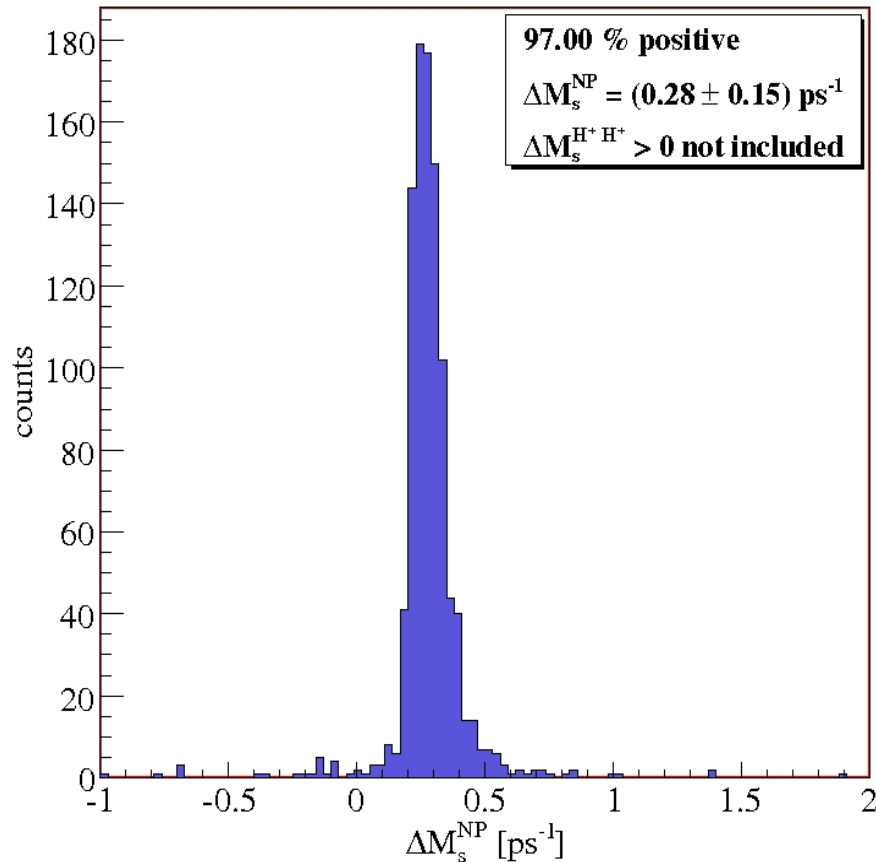
Example with (GeV):

$$m = 300$$

$$M_g = 300$$

$$M_{1,2} = (100, 500)$$

$$\mu = 1000$$



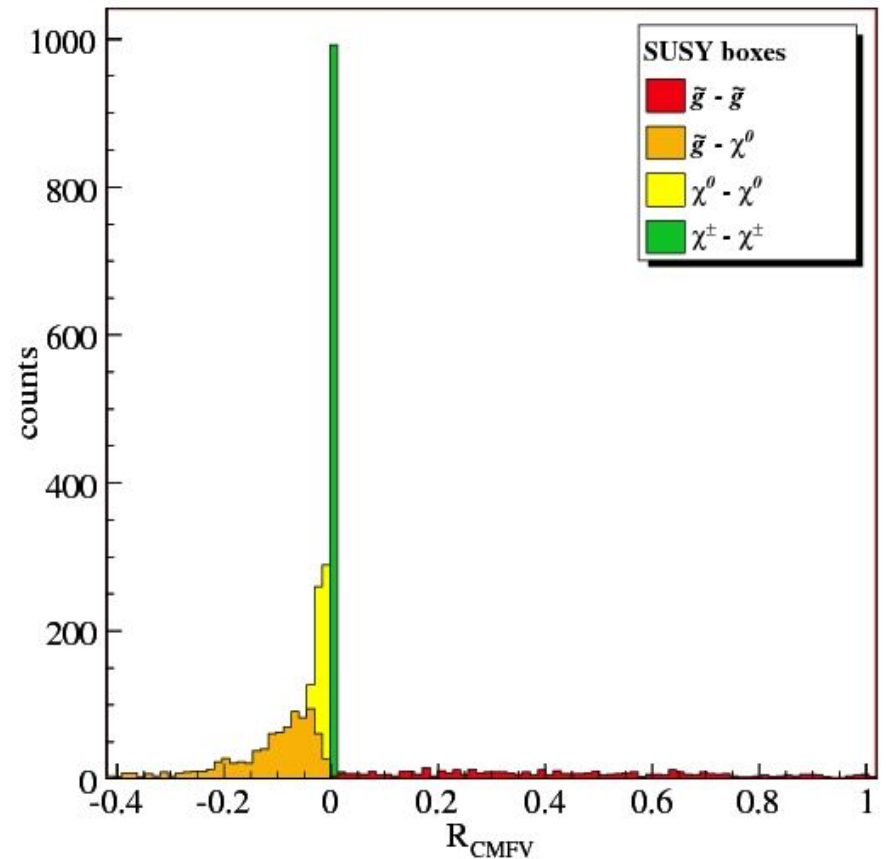
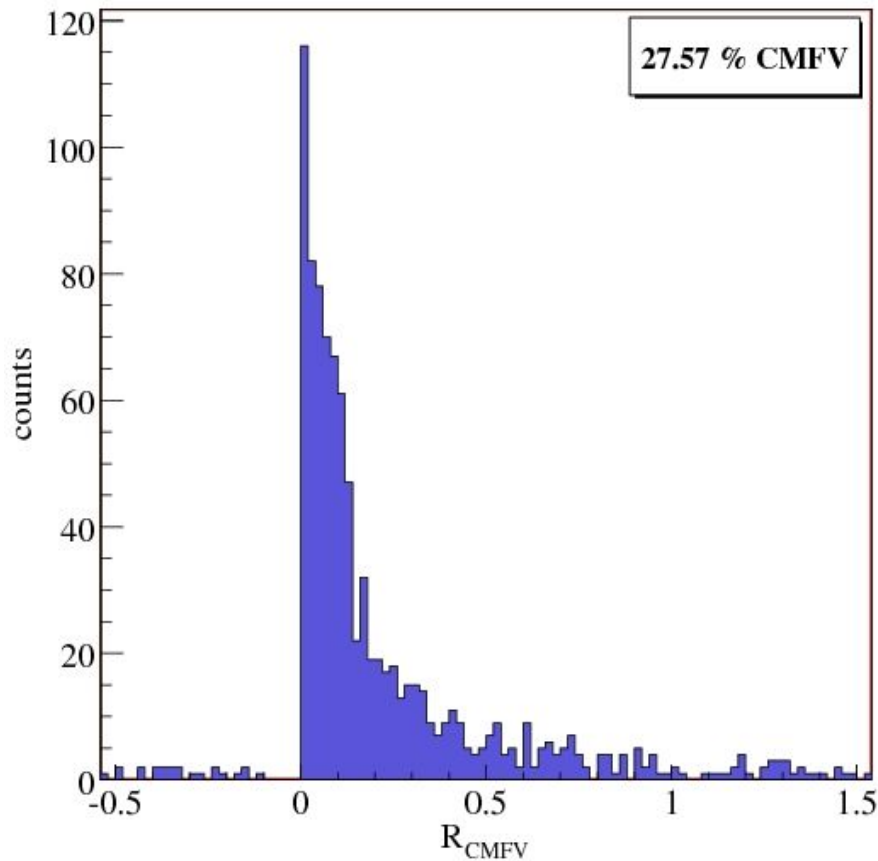
Test of 'constrained' MFV (CMFV) within the MSSM

The case of Q_1 -dominated MFV (so-called CMFV) can be tested by looking at the ratio



$$R_{\text{CMFV}} \equiv \frac{\text{contrib. to operators other than } Q_1}{\text{contrib. to } Q_1}$$

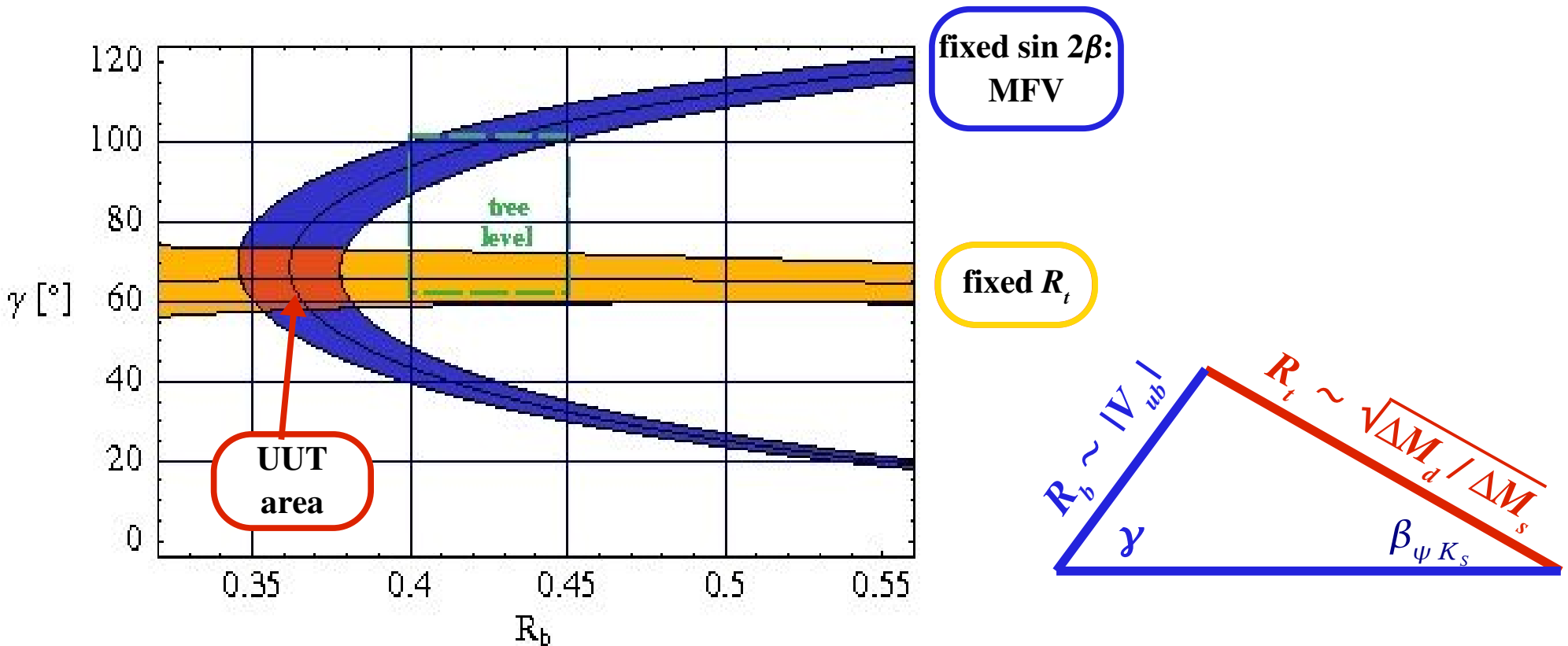


One can 'define' CMFV to hold when, *e.g.*
 $|R_{\text{CMFV}}| < 0.05$



MFV – Unitarity Triangle

-  The ratio $\Delta M_d / \Delta M_s$, usually included in the analysis of the Universal Unitarity Triangle, is not a good “constant” in generic MFV models
-  The MFV – Unitarity Triangle can be constructed from $\sin 2\beta = \sin 2\beta_{\psi K_s}$ and $|V_{ub}|$ and/or γ



Conclusions

- ✓ In the general MSSM, SUSY effects are typically constrained to be **small** (exceptions: $(B_s \rightarrow \psi \phi), \dots$) after imposing existing exp. input
- ✓ In the MFV-MSSM, SUSY effects are **naturally small**, due to a 'built-in' GIM-like mechanism.

In either case, to resolve such effects, one needs a better control, $O(\text{few } \%)$, of the effective operator matrix elements

Back-up

Contributions to $\Delta F = 2$ (low $\tan \beta$)

$$\Delta M_s^{MSSM} = \Delta M_s^{SM} + \Delta M_s^{H^+ H^+} + \Delta M_s^{\tilde{\chi}^+ \tilde{\chi}^+} + \Delta M_s^{\tilde{g} \tilde{g}} + \Delta M_s^{\tilde{g} \tilde{\chi}^0} + \Delta M_s^{\tilde{\chi}^0 \tilde{\chi}^0}$$

Higgses

- Depend on $|\mu|, m_{H_u}, m_{H_d}$, through the H^\pm mass
- Do not depend on any other SUSY scale and/or MFV coefficient

charginos

- Depend on $\{\mu, M_2\} \rightarrow M_{\tilde{\chi}^\pm}$
 $\{\bar{m}, A, \mu\} \rightarrow M_{\tilde{u}}$
- Generically important

gluinos

- Depend on $M_3 \rightarrow M_{\tilde{g}}$
 $\{\bar{m}, A, \mu\} \rightarrow M_{\tilde{d}}$
- Important for large μ

neutralino-(gluino)

- Depend on $\{M_1, M_2, M_3\} \rightarrow M_{\tilde{\chi}^0}, M_{\tilde{g}}$
 $\{\bar{m}, A, \mu\} \rightarrow M_{\tilde{d}}$
- Generically unimportant (especially pure neutralino)

Mass scenarios

Fixing mass scales

- Leaving aside Higgses, one has then to fix 6 mass scales: $\bar{m}, A, M_1, M_2, M_3, \mu$

Interesting cases

- \bar{m} not large and μ small: {charginos are light} \rightarrow {**chargino dominated**}
- μ large: {scalar operators become relevant} \rightarrow {**chargino & gluino dominated**}

Small μ scenario

Notes

- When μ is small, it governs the lightest chargino mass
- Scalar operator contributions from LR entries of the d- squark mass matrix are small, still because μ is small

Example with (GeV):

$$m = 300$$

$$M_g = 300$$

$$M_{1,2} = (500, 500)$$

$$\mu = 200$$

