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Supersymmetric Standard Model and Radiative Meson Decay *

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I give a review on the generation-changing interactions of the supersymmetric standard model based on grand unification and $N = 1$ supergravity. These interactions could make sizable effects on rare processes related to B -mesons. The decay $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ is discussed in particular. It is shown that the inclusive branching ratio of the radiative B -meson decay is deviated from the standard model prediction in nontrivial ranges for parameter values.

1. INTRODUCTION

The B -meson decay into a strange hadronic state and a photon, which is induced by the decay $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ at the quark level, is now one of the hot topics in the particle physics phenomenology. This b -quark decay process of flavor-changing neutral current (FCNC) is predicted by the standard electroweak theory through the one-loop diagrams in which the W -bosons and the up-type quarks are exchanged. Recently the CLEO collaboration has observed the decays $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$ and $B^- \rightarrow K^{*-}\gamma$ with their average branching ratio $(4.5 \pm 1.5 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-5}$ [1]. These observations provide a big opportunity for sensitively examining the standard $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ model.

In the theoretical study of the radiative B -meson decay there seems to be three aspects. First, QCD corrections are important for predicting the branching ratio of $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ within the framework of the standard model. There already appeared a number of articles [2] which discuss these corrections, concluding enhanced values for $BR(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$ by a factor 2 – 5 compared to the uncorrected one. Second, the evaluation of the relevant hadronic matrix elements are necessary to obtain the branching ratios of the exclusive B -meson decay modes. Theoretical estimates for the ratio of $BR(B \rightarrow K^*\gamma)$ to $BR(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$ are yet dispersed from 0.05 to 0.4 [3]. Third, the effects of the theories beyond the standard model may

be observed. In particular, the supersymmetric models [4,5,6] and the two Higgs-doublet models [7] could sizably contribute to the decay $b \rightarrow s\gamma$.

In this lecture we discuss the third aspect, concentrating on the effects of the supersymmetric standard model (SSM). In this model FCNC processes can be induced by several new sources as well as the standard mechanism mediated by the W -bosons. These are the interactions in which the quark q couples to the squark \tilde{q} and the chargino $\tilde{\omega}$, the neutralino $\tilde{\chi}$, or the gluino \tilde{g} , the quark and the squark belonging to different generations. As a general feature of those models which contain two doublets of Higgs bosons, the charged Higgs bosons H^\pm also mediate FCNC processes. Therefore, various one-loop diagrams have to be appropriately taken into consideration to obtain the SSM prediction. For definiteness, we assume grand unification theories coupled to $N = 1$ supergravity. It is considered that FCNC processes in the B -meson system, in general, could play an important role in studying the SSM. The scheme describing the generation-changing interactions given in this lecture would be useful also for discussing other B -meson rare phenomena.

In sect. 2 we derive the interaction lagrangians of the SSM which incorporate the generation mixings for the quarks and the squarks. In sect. 3 formulae are given for the radiative decay width of a quark. In sect. 4 we make numerical analyses on the branching ratio of the inclusive radiative B -meson decay. The summary is given in sect. 5.

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2. INTERACTIONS

We start from describing the interactions which induce generation-changing processes. The lagrangian of the SSM is written in matrix form by

$$\begin{aligned}
L &= L_{kin} + L_{gauge} + L_F + L_S; \\
L_F &= [H_1 \times L \eta_E E^c \\
&\quad + H_1 \times Q \eta_D D^c + H_2 \times Q \eta_U U^c \\
&\quad + m_H H_1 \times H_2]_F + \text{h.c.}, \\
L_S &= -m_{3/2}(\tilde{H}_1 \times \tilde{L} A_E \eta_E \tilde{E}^c \\
&\quad + \tilde{H}_1 \times \tilde{Q} A_D \eta_D \tilde{D}^c + \tilde{H}_2 \times \tilde{Q} A_U \eta_U \tilde{U}^c \\
&\quad + B m_H \tilde{H}_1 \times \tilde{H}_2) \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=1}^3 \tilde{m}_i \text{Tr}(T_i^a T_i^b) \lambda_i^a \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \lambda_i^b + \text{h.c.} \\
&\quad - \tilde{L}^\dagger \tilde{M}_L^2 \tilde{L} - \tilde{E}^c \dagger \tilde{M}_E^2 \tilde{E}^c \\
&\quad - \tilde{Q}^\dagger \tilde{M}_Q^2 \tilde{Q} - \tilde{D}^c \dagger \tilde{M}_D^2 \tilde{D}^c - \tilde{U}^c \dagger \tilde{M}_U^2 \tilde{U}^c \\
&\quad - \tilde{M}_{H_1}^2 \tilde{H}_1 \dagger \tilde{H}_1 - \tilde{M}_{H_2}^2 \tilde{H}_2 \dagger \tilde{H}_2, \quad (1)
\end{aligned}$$

where L etc. represent superfields; \tilde{L} , etc. their scalar components; and λ_1, λ_2 , and λ_3 are respectively $U(1)$, $SU(2)$, and $SU(3)$ gauginos. The generators of the gauge groups are denoted by T_i . For simplicity we assume that the particle content is minimal. Without loss of generality the gravitino mass $m_{3/2}$, the gaugino masses \tilde{m}_i , and the vacuum expectation values v_1 and v_2 of the Higgs bosons \tilde{H}_1 and \tilde{H}_2 can be taken as real and non-negative. Other parameters are generally complex. The terms in L_S break supersymmetry softly.

The quark fields and the squark fields are respectively mixed in the generation space. Since the left-handed squarks and the right-handed ones are also mixed, the mass-squared matrices for the up-type and down-type squarks, M_U^2 and M_D^2 , are expressed by 6×6 matrices as

$$\begin{aligned}
M_F^2 &= \begin{pmatrix} M_{F11}^2 & M_{F12}^2 \\ M_{F21}^2 & M_{F22}^2 \end{pmatrix}; \\
M_{F11}^2 &= \cos 2\beta (T_{3F} - Q_F \sin^2 \theta_W) M_Z^2 E \\
&\quad + m_F m_F^\dagger + \tilde{M}_Q^2, \\
M_{F22}^2 &= \cos 2\beta Q_F \sin^2 \theta_W M_Z^2 E
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\quad + m_F^\dagger m_F + \tilde{M}_F^2{}^T, \\
M_{F12}^2 &= M_{F21}^2{}^\dagger = R_F m_H m_F + m_{3/2} A_F^* m_F, \\
&\quad (F = U, D). \quad (2)
\end{aligned}$$

Here m_U and m_D are the mass matrices of the up-type and down-type quarks; $R_U = 1/\tan \beta$ and $R_D = \tan \beta$, $\tan \beta$ being v_2/v_1 ; and E is the 3×3 unit matrix. The quark mass matrices are diagonalized by unitary matrices as

$$\begin{aligned}
U_L^U m_U U_R^{U\dagger} &= \text{diag}(m_u, m_c, m_t) (\equiv \bar{m}_U), \\
U_L^D m_D U_R^{D\dagger} &= \text{diag}(m_d, m_s, m_b) (\equiv \bar{m}_D). \quad (3)
\end{aligned}$$

The Cabbibo-Kobayashi-Maskawa (CKM) matrix V is equivalent to $U_L^U U_L^{D\dagger}$.

The squark mass eigenstates are obtained by diagonalizing M_U^2 and M_D^2 , which contain unknown matrices $\tilde{M}_Q^2, \tilde{M}_U^2, \tilde{M}_D^2, A_U$, and A_D coming from the soft-breaking lagrangian L_S in eq. (1). One possible way of study is to discuss constraints on the squark mass matrices from a purely phenomenological view without assuming a priori any specific forms for them. Here, instead, we make certain assumptions suggested by the supergravity models.

At the very high energy where supersymmetry is broken, it is expected that $\tilde{M}_Q^2 = \tilde{M}_U^2 = \tilde{M}_D^2 = m_{3/2}^2 E$ and $A_U = A_D = aE$, a being a number of order unity. At the lower energy scale, quantum effects give corrections to these relations [8]. The masses of the left-handed squarks \tilde{Q} are induced by both of the two types of Yukawa interactions proportional to m_U and m_D . In the former case the up-type and down-type components of \tilde{Q} get masses through loop diagrams with the neutral and the charged Higgs particles, respectively, while in the latter case through loop diagrams with the charged and the neutral Higgs particles, respectively. The masses of the right-handed squarks \tilde{U}^c and \tilde{D}^c are induced, respectively, by the Yukawa interactions proportional to m_U and m_D . Both the loop diagrams with the neutral Higgs particles and those with the charged Higgs ones contribute to their masses. The squarks also get masses through the gauge interactions, which do not depend on their generations. These con-

tributions lead to the soft-breaking mass terms at the electroweak scale given roughly by

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{M}_Q^2 &= \tilde{m}_Q^2 E + c m_U m_U^\dagger + d m_D m_D^\dagger, \\ \tilde{M}_U^2 &= \tilde{m}_U^2 E + 2c m_U^\dagger m_U, \\ \tilde{M}_D^2 &= \tilde{m}_D^2 E + 2d m_D^\dagger m_D,\end{aligned}\quad (4)$$

where the coefficients c and d are negative and of order unity. On the other hand, $A_U^* m_U$ and $A_D^* m_D$ remain roughly proportional to m_U and m_D , respectively.

Neglecting small contributions from the quark masses, then, the squark mixings among different generations are removed by the 6×6 unitary matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_L^U & 0 \\ 0 & U_R^U \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} U_L^D & 0 \\ 0 & U_R^D \end{pmatrix}\quad (5)$$

for the up-type and the down-type squarks, respectively. The mixings of the left- and right-handed squarks are not neglected for the t -squarks and the b -squarks. The 2×2 mass-squared matrices for the t - and b -squarks, M_t^2 and M_b^2 , are given by

$$\begin{aligned}M_{t11}^2 &= \cos 2\beta \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W \right) M_Z^2 \\ &\quad + (1 - |c|) m_t^2 + \tilde{m}_Q^2, \\ M_{t22}^2 &= \frac{2}{3} \cos 2\beta \sin^2 \theta_W M_Z^2 \\ &\quad + (1 - 2|c|) m_t^2 + \tilde{m}_U^2, \\ M_{t12}^2 &= M_{t21}^{2*} = \left(\frac{1}{\tan \beta} m_H + a_t^* m_{3/2} \right) m_t, \quad (6) \\ M_{b11}^2 &= \cos 2\beta \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W \right) M_Z^2 \\ &\quad - |c| m_t^2 + \tilde{m}_Q^2, \\ M_{b22}^2 &= -\frac{1}{3} \cos 2\beta \sin^2 \theta_W M_Z^2 + \tilde{m}_D^2, \\ M_{b12}^2 &= M_{b21}^{2*} = (\tan \beta m_H + a_b^* m_{3/2}) m_b. \quad (7)\end{aligned}$$

These are readily diagonalized by 2×2 unitary matrices, which are denoted by S_t and S_b . We express the mass eigenstates of the up-type and down-type squarks by $(\tilde{u}_L, \tilde{c}_L, \tilde{t}_1, \tilde{u}_R, \tilde{c}_R, \tilde{t}_2)$ and $(\tilde{d}_L, \tilde{s}_L, \tilde{b}_1, \tilde{d}_R, \tilde{s}_R, \tilde{b}_2)$. In our approximation the squarks in the second generation have the same

masses as their counterparts in the first generation have.

The charginos and neutralinos are the charged and neutral mass eigenstates of the $SU(2) \times U(1)$ gauginos and the higgsinos. The mass matrices for the charginos and the neutralinos are given respectively by

$$M^- = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{m}_2 & -g v_1 / \sqrt{2} \\ -g v_2 / \sqrt{2} & m_H \end{pmatrix}, \quad (8)$$

$$M^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{m}_1 & 0 & g' v_1 / 2 & -g' v_2 / 2 \\ 0 & \tilde{m}_2 & -g v_1 / 2 & g v_2 / 2 \\ g' v_1 / 2 & -g v_1 / 2 & 0 & -m_H \\ -g' v_2 / 2 & g v_2 / 2 & -m_H & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (9)$$

which are diagonalized by unitary matrices as

$$C_R^\dagger M^- C_L = \text{diag}(\tilde{m}_{\omega 1}, \tilde{m}_{\omega 2}), \quad (10)$$

$$N^t M^0 N = \text{diag}(\tilde{m}_{\chi 1}, \tilde{m}_{\chi 2}, \tilde{m}_{\chi 3}, \tilde{m}_{\chi 4}). \quad (11)$$

The gluinos are equal to the $SU(3)$ gauginos and their mass is given by $\tilde{m}_g = \tilde{m}_3$.

We can now write the couplings of the quarks to the squarks and the charginos, neutralinos, or gluinos in terms of the particle mass eigenstates. The interaction lagrangians for the down-type quarks and the charginos or gluinos incorporating the generation mixings are given by the following equations [5].

The chargino-quark-squark interaction:

$$\begin{aligned}L_{\tilde{\omega}} &= i \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{i=1}^2 [(\tilde{u}_L^\dagger, \tilde{c}_L^\dagger, \sum_{k=1}^2 S_{tk1} \tilde{t}_k^\dagger) V \\ &\quad \cdot \tilde{\omega}_i \{ \sqrt{2} C_{R1i}^* \left(\frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{\tilde{m}_D}{M_W} \frac{C_{L2i}^*}{\cos \beta} \left(\frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} \right) \} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad - \frac{C_{R2i}^*}{\sin \beta} (\tilde{u}_R^\dagger, \tilde{c}_R^\dagger, \sum_{k=1}^2 S_{tk2} \tilde{t}_k^\dagger) \frac{\tilde{m}_U}{M_W} V \\ &\quad \cdot \tilde{\omega}_i \left(\frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} \right) \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}] + \text{h.c.} \quad (12)\end{aligned}$$

In our approximation \tilde{m}_U and \tilde{m}_D should be taken as $\text{diag}(0, 0, m_t)$ and $\text{diag}(0, 0, m_b)$, leading to vanishing couplings for \tilde{u}_R and \tilde{c}_R .

The gluino-quark-squark interaction:

$$\begin{aligned}
L_{\tilde{g}} = & i\sqrt{2}g_3 \sum_{a=1}^8 [(\tilde{d}_L^\dagger, \tilde{s}_L^\dagger, \sum_{k=1}^2 S_{bk1} \tilde{b}_k^\dagger) V \\
& \cdot T_3^a \bar{g}^a \left(\frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \right) \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix} \\
& + (\tilde{d}_R^\dagger, \tilde{s}_R^\dagger, \sum_{k=1}^2 S_{bk2} \tilde{b}_k^\dagger) \\
& \cdot T_3^a \bar{g}^a \left(\frac{1+\gamma_5}{2} \right) \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}] + \text{h.c.} \quad (13)
\end{aligned}$$

The neutralino-quark-squark interaction is also derived similarly.

3. DECAY

The generation-changing interactions yield the radiative decays of the quarks. The effective lagrangian for such a decay of a quark, $f_1 \rightarrow f_2 \gamma$, is generally written in terms of the form factors $F_i(q^2)$ and $G_i(q^2)$ as

$$\begin{aligned}
L_{eff} = & e \bar{f}_2 \Gamma_\mu f_1 A^\mu; \\
\Gamma_\mu = & \{F_1(q^2) + G_1(q^2)\gamma_5\} \gamma_\mu \\
& + \{F_2(q^2) + G_2(q^2)\gamma_5\} \frac{i}{m_1 + m_2} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu \\
& + \{F_3(q^2) + G_3(q^2)\gamma_5\} q_\mu, \\
& (q_\mu = p_{1\mu} - p_{2\mu}), \quad (14)
\end{aligned}$$

where p_1 and p_2 stand for the momenta of the initial and final quarks. However, since $q^2 = 0$ and $q \cdot \epsilon = 0$ are satisfied, ϵ being the polarization vector of the photon, the form factors $F_3(0)$ and $G_3(0)$ do not contribute to the decay amplitude. Also from the conservation of the electromagnetic current, $(m_1 - m_2)F_1(q^2) + F_3(q^2)q^2 = 0$ and $(m_1 + m_2)G_1(q^2) + G_3(q^2)q^2 = 0$ hold, so that $F_1(0) = G_1(0) = 0$. Therefore only the dipole form factors $F_2(0)$ and $G_2(0)$ are relevant to the radiative decay. At the rest frame of the initial quark the decay width is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma(f_1 \rightarrow f_2 \gamma) = & \frac{\alpha_{EM}}{2} m_1 (|F_2(0)|^2 + |G_2(0)|^2) \\
& \cdot \left(1 - \frac{m_2}{m_1}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2}\right). \quad (15)
\end{aligned}$$

In the SSM the radiative quark decay $f_1 \rightarrow f_2 \gamma$ is induced, except for the standard W -boson interactions, through the interactions of f_1 and f_2 with a spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ fermion ψ and a spin-0 boson ϕ . In general, the interaction lagrangian for these particles is represented by

$$\begin{aligned}
L_I = & g \bar{\psi} \{G_L^1 \left(\frac{1-\gamma_5}{2}\right) + G_R^1 \left(\frac{1+\gamma_5}{2}\right)\} f_1 \phi^\dagger \\
& + g \bar{f}_2 \{G_L^{2*} \left(\frac{1+\gamma_5}{2}\right) + G_R^{2*} \left(\frac{1-\gamma_5}{2}\right)\} \psi \phi. \quad (16)
\end{aligned}$$

The dipole form factors receive contributions at the one-loop level. Let m_i, M_ψ, M_ϕ denote the masses of f_i, ψ, ϕ and Q_ψ, Q_ϕ denote the electric charges of ψ, ϕ . Neglecting $(m_i/M_\phi)^2$ in the loop integrals, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
F_2(0) = & \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{m_1 + m_2}{M_\phi} \\
& [(G_L^{2*} G_L^1 + G_R^{2*} G_R^1) \frac{m_1 + m_2}{M_\phi} \\
& \cdot \{-Q_\psi I_1(r) + Q_\phi J_1(r)\} \\
& + (G_R^{2*} G_L^1 + G_L^{2*} G_R^1) \frac{M_\psi}{M_\phi} \\
& \cdot \{-Q_\psi I_2(r) + Q_\phi J_2(r)\}], \\
G_2(0) = & \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{m_1 + m_2}{M_\phi} \\
& [(G_L^{2*} G_L^1 - G_R^{2*} G_R^1) \frac{m_1 - m_2}{M_\phi} \\
& \cdot \{-Q_\psi I_1(r) + Q_\phi J_1(r)\} \\
& - (G_R^{2*} G_L^1 - G_L^{2*} G_R^1) \frac{M_\psi}{M_\phi} \\
& \cdot \{-Q_\psi I_2(r) + Q_\phi J_2(r)\}], \\
r = & \frac{M_\psi^2}{M_\phi^2}, \quad (17)
\end{aligned}$$

where the functions $I_i(r)$ and $J_i(r)$ are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
I_1(r) = & \frac{1}{12(1-r)^4} (2 + 3r - 6r^2 + r^3 \\
& + 6r \ln r) \quad (I_1(1) = \frac{1}{24}), \\
I_2(r) = & \frac{1}{2(1-r)^3} (-3 + 4r - r^2 - 2 \ln r) \\
& (I_2(1) = \frac{1}{3}),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
J_1(r) &= \frac{1}{12(1-r)^4} (1 - 6r + 3r^2 + 2r^3 \\
&\quad - 6r^2 \ln r) \quad (J_1(1) = \frac{1}{24}), \\
J_2(r) &= \frac{1}{2(1-r)^3} (1 - r^2 + 2r \ln r) \\
&\quad (J_2(1) = \frac{1}{6}). \tag{18}
\end{aligned}$$

The specific forms for the dipole form factors due to the interactions (12) and (13) are found in ref. [5].

4. ANALYSES

The radiative decay $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ is observed as the B -meson decay into a hadronic state involving a strange particle and a hard photon. One of the dominant decay modes for the b -quark is the three body decay into the c -quark, the electron, and the neutrino. Assuming that the B -meson decays are described by the b -quark decays, we can calculate the branching ratio for the inclusive radiative decay $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ by

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{BR}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) \\
= \frac{\Gamma(b \rightarrow s\gamma)}{\Gamma(b \rightarrow ce\bar{\nu}_e)} \text{BR}(B \rightarrow X_c e \bar{\nu}_e), \tag{19}
\end{aligned}$$

where $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow X_c e \bar{\nu}_e)$ is known experimentally to be 0.11.

The decay width of $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ depends on several supersymmetric parameters. Assuming the relation between the gauge fine structure constants α_i and the gaugino masses \tilde{m}_i ,

$$\frac{\alpha_3}{\tilde{m}_3} = \frac{\alpha_2}{\tilde{m}_2} = \frac{5\alpha_1}{3\tilde{m}_1}, \tag{20}$$

suggested by the grand unification theories, the masses and couplings of the charginos, neutralinos, and gluinos are determined by $\tan\beta$, \tilde{m}_2 , and m_H . In the ordinary scheme for the gaugino mass generation, \tilde{m}_2 is smaller than or around the gravitino mass $m_{3/2}$. If the $SU(2) \times U(1)$ symmetry is broken through radiative corrections, $\tan\beta$ is most likely larger than unity and the magnitude of the higgsino mass parameter m_H is at most of order $m_{3/2}$. The masses and couplings of the squarks are determined through many parameters, as seen in eqs. (6) and (7). The mass

parameters \tilde{m}_Q , \tilde{m}_U , and \tilde{m}_D are related to the gravitino mass and the gaugino masses. Their differences are considered to arise only from the electroweak interactions, which would be small compared to their values themselves, the scale of the squark masses. Therefore we assume approximately

$$\tilde{m}_Q = \tilde{m}_U = \tilde{m}_D. \tag{21}$$

The coefficients a_t , a_b , and c depend on the supersymmetric parameters, though their magnitudes are of order unity. We simply take them as parameters and put

$$c = 0.5, \quad a_t m_{3/2} = a_b m_{3/2} = \tilde{m}_Q. \tag{22}$$

The CKM matrix elements appearing in our calculations are V_{23} , V_{32} , and V_{33} . The one-loop diagrams with the squarks of the i -th generation lead to the term proportional to $V_{i2}^* V_{i3}$ for the decay amplitude. Since the squarks belonging to the first two generations have the same mass, their contributions are summed up to give the term proportional to $V_{32}^* V_{33}$ by the unitarity of the CKM matrix. We take $|V_{23}| = |V_{32}|$ and $|V_{33}| = 1$, which are known to be in good approximation. No further evaluation is necessary for the CKM matrix. The mass of the t -quark is set for 150 GeV as a typical example throughout our numerical analyses. We neglect QCD corrections, which does not change much the results.

Apart from the W -boson and charged Higgs boson contributions, the decay $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ is induced through the one-loop diagrams in which (a) the charginos and the up-type squarks, (b) the neutralinos and the down-type squarks, and (c) the gluinos and the down-type squarks are exchanged. One might think, and it was really assumed before, that among these three decay processes the process (c) makes a dominant contribution owing to the strong interaction. However, this is not the case. The contribution of (a) is larger than those of (b) and (c) in wide ranges of the parameter space [5].

The form factor receives contributions from the processes (a) and (c), respectively, roughly given by

$$F_2^{\tilde{\omega}}(0) \sim \frac{\alpha_2}{8\pi} V_{32}^* \frac{m_b^2}{\tilde{m}_\omega M_W \cos\beta}.$$

$$\frac{\tilde{m}_\omega^2}{\tilde{m}_t^2} I_2\left(\frac{\tilde{m}_\omega^2}{\tilde{m}_t^2}\right), \quad (23)$$

$$F_2^{\tilde{g}}(0) \sim \frac{\alpha_3}{9\pi} V_{32}^* \frac{m_b^2}{\tilde{m}_g \tilde{m}_b} \frac{\tilde{m}_g^2}{\tilde{m}_b^2} J_2\left(\frac{\tilde{m}_g^2}{\tilde{m}_b^2}\right), \quad (24)$$

where $1.4 \times 10^{-1} < r I_2(r) < 5.0 \times 10^{-1}$ and $3.6 \times 10^{-2} < r J_2(r) < 4.7 \times 10^{-1}$ for $0.1 < r < 100$. The factor $m_b/M_W \cos \beta$ in eq. (23) comes from the Yukawa couplings and m_b/\tilde{m}_b in eq. (24) from the \tilde{b}_L - \tilde{b}_R mixings. The gluino and chargino masses are given typically by \tilde{m}_3 and \tilde{m}_2 , respectively. From eq. (20), therefore, the enhancement due to a larger value of α_3 is weakened by a proportionally larger mass of the gluinos. We can see that $|F_2^{\tilde{g}}(0)| > |F_2^{\tilde{w}}(0)|$ for $M_W \lesssim \tilde{m}_b$. It should be remarked that, owing to the factor $1/\cos \beta$, a large value for the ratio of the vacuum expectation values of the Higgs bosons proportionally enhances the chargino contribution.

Moreover, for the FCNC processes mediated by the supersymmetric particles to occur at sizable rates, the mass differences between the exchanged squarks have to be large, softening the cancellation between the different squark contributions which arises from the unitarity of the mixing matrix. The masses of the squarks in the first two generations are predicted to be almost degenerated, while if the squarks and the t -quark have the masses of the same order of magnitude, the masses of the t -squarks and b -squarks become different from other squarks'. These differences are much larger for the t -squarks than for the b -squarks because of a large mixing between the left-handed and right-handed t -squarks coming from the Yukawa couplings, as seen from eqs. (6) and (7). One of the t -squarks could become the lightest among the squarks. Hence the cancellation is not so severe for the process (a) compared to (c). On the other hand, the neutralino-mediated process (b) does not make a large contribution since the interaction is not strong and the exchanged squarks are down-type.

We give the numerical results for the branching ratio (BR) of $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$. In order to see each effect of the various SSM contributions, the evaluation is made assuming only one contribution instead of summing all. The BR due to the chargino contribution is shown in Fig. 1 for $\tilde{m}_2 = 200$ GeV

Table 1
The values of \tilde{m}_Q and $\tan \beta$.

	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
\tilde{m}_Q (GeV)	200	200	300	300
$\tan \beta$	2	10	2	10

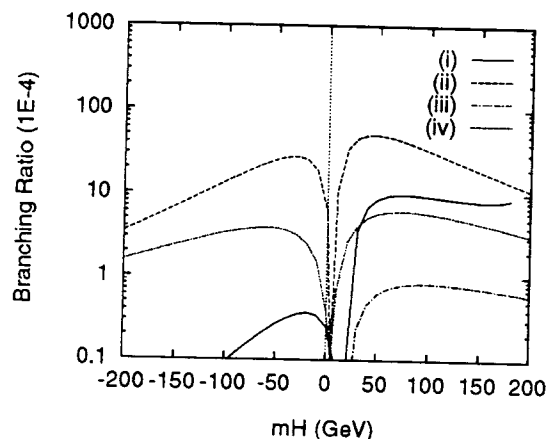


Figure 1. The inclusive branching ratio of $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ due to the chargino contribution for the parameter sets in Table 1 with $\tilde{m}_2 = 200$ GeV.

and $-200 \text{ GeV} \leq m_H \leq 200 \text{ GeV}$. For \tilde{m}_Q and $\tan \beta$ we take four sets of values listed in Table 1. The squark masses of the first two generations are given approximately by \tilde{m}_Q . The values of the lighter chargino mass and the lighter t -squark mass corresponding to these parameter values are shown in Fig. 2 and Fig. 3. For small values of $|m_H|$ the lighter chargino mass becomes less than 45 GeV, which is ruled out experimentally. Also the lighter t -squark should be heavier than 45 GeV. If the t -quark mass is around 150 GeV, the BR due to the standard W -boson contribution with QCD corrections is $(3-5) \times 10^{-4}$. Compared to this value, the chargino contribution could give an equal or a larger amount of branching ratio if $\tan \beta$ is large and/or \tilde{m}_{t1} is small. The BR does not vary much with \tilde{m}_2 for $100 \text{ GeV} \lesssim \tilde{m}_2 \lesssim 300 \text{ GeV}$. The sign of the

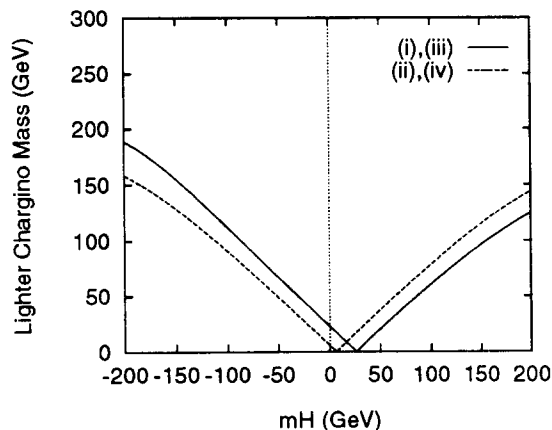


Figure 2. The mass of the lighter chargino for the $\tan\beta$ values in Table 1 with $\tilde{m}_2 = 200$ GeV.

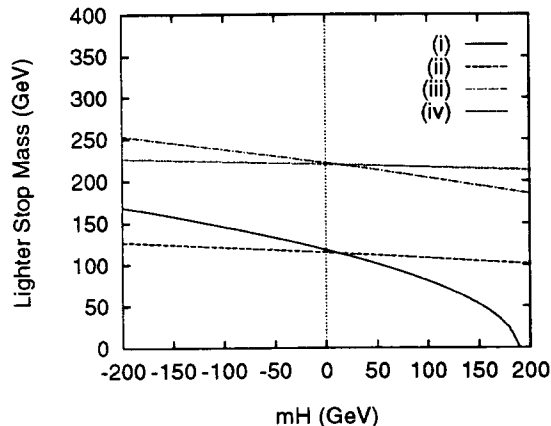


Figure 3. The mass of the lighter t -squark for the parameter sets in Table 1 with $\tilde{m}_2 = 200$ GeV.

dipole form factor $F_2^{\tilde{W}}(0)$ depends on the parameters. Compared to the W -boson contribution $F_2^W(0)$ the sign is the same for $m_H \lesssim 0$ GeV and opposite for $m_H \gtrsim 50$ GeV in our examples.

In Fig. 4 we show the BR due to the gluino contribution for the three parameter sets (ii), (iii), and (iv) in Table 1 with $m_H = 200$ GeV and $0 \text{ GeV} \leq \tilde{m}_2 \leq 400$ GeV. The gluino mass is determined through eq. (20). The curves are not shown in the ranges of small \tilde{m}_2 where the lighter chargino has a mass less than 45 GeV. For (i) one of the eigenvalues of the t -squark mass-squared matrix M_t^2 becomes negative, breaking SU(3). A large value of the BR is only realized in (ii) for small values of \tilde{m}_2 . The lighter b -squark mass is 157 GeV in this example. The gluino contribution is negligible in other parameter regions. The sign of $F_2^g(0)$ depends on the parameters. In our examples the sign is opposite to $F_2^W(0)$. In Fig. 5 we show the BR due to the charged Higgs boson contribution for the values of $\tan\beta$ in Table 1 with $50 \text{ GeV} \leq M_{H\pm} \leq 400$ GeV. As far as $\tan\beta > 1$, the BR does not much depend on the value of $\tan\beta$. The sign of $F_2^{H\pm}(0)$ is the same as $F_2^W(0)$. The neutralino contribution is generally negligible. For further analyses from various points of view, see refs. [4,5,6].

If some dipole form factors have values of the same order of magnitude, then their relative signs become important for predicting the net effect of the SSM. Although the interference between $F_2^W(0)$ and $F_2^{H\pm}(0)$ is constructive, both constructive and destructive interferences can happen for the other contributions.

5. SUMMARY

In the SSM there exist several new interactions which could induce FCNC processes. We have discussed their effects on the radiative decay $b \rightarrow s\gamma$. This decay can occur at the one-loop level through diagrams with the charginos, neutralinos, gluinos, or charged Higgs bosons, in addition to the standard diagrams with the W -bosons. Under the assumption of grand unification and $N = 1$ supergravity the contribution of the chargino-loop diagrams dominates over other new contributions in wide ranges of the parameter space. If $\tilde{m}_2, |m_H|, \tilde{m}_Q \lesssim 300$ GeV and $\tan\beta \gtrsim 10$, the chargino contribution is likely larger than or equal to the contribution of the standard model. Compared with the standard model prediction, the branching ratio of $B \rightarrow X_s\gamma$ becomes enhanced or, if the two contribu-

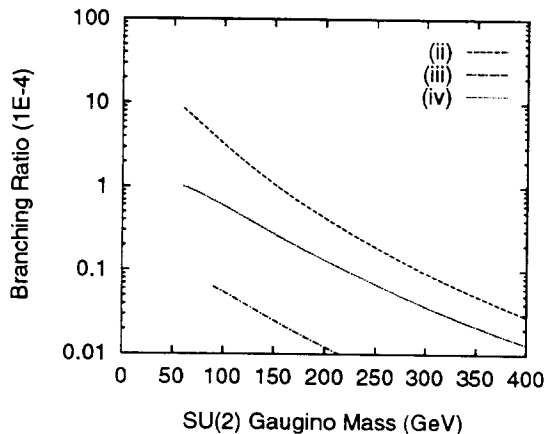


Figure 4. The inclusive branching ratio of $B \rightarrow X, \gamma$ due to the gluino contribution for the parameter sets in Table 1 with $m_H = 200$ GeV.

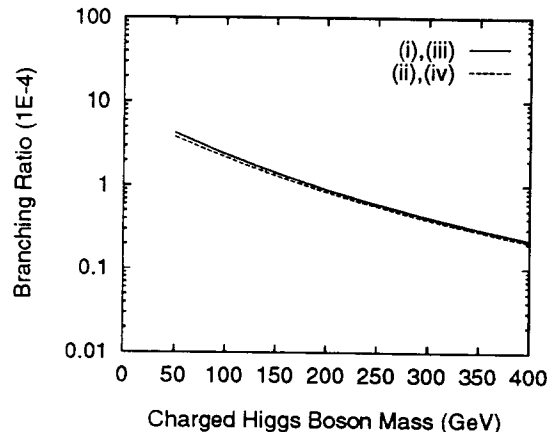


Figure 5. The inclusive branching ratio of $B \rightarrow X, \gamma$ due to the charged Higgs boson contribution for the $\tan \beta$ values in Table 1.

tions to the dipole form factor are not much different in magnitude and opposite in sign, reduced. Given the present experimental accomplishment for $b \rightarrow s\gamma$, detailed studies of the SSM effects taking into account all the possible contributions could give an useful constraint on the model.

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