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# Experimental prospects for B → K II



### Introduction

- Why are we interested in b → sll transitions?
- Overview of the results from TeVatron and B-Factories.
- Prospects at LHCb.

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Enhancements from : SUSY, generic little Higgs, 2 Higgs models , graviton exchange, extra dimension models ....

# **Brief phenomelogical aside**



- Three energy scales:
  - $O(\Lambda_{QCD}) \sim 0.1 \text{ GeV}, O(m_b) \sim 5 \text{ GeV}, O(M_W) \sim 90 \text{ GeV}$
- Effective Hamiltonian for b → s decay:



Right handed currents, suppressed by  $M_B /$   $_{W}$  in SM

Separate long and short distance effects:

(t) Operators, containing the long distance effects.

 $\mathcal{C}_i(\mu)$  Wilson coefficients, containing the short distance effects that can be calculated perturbatively.

# A few definitions ...

- For B  $\rightarrow$  K<sup>(\*)</sup> II decays, parameterise the decay in terms of the Helicity angle of the  $\mu^+ \theta_L$ :
  - The angle between the direction of the µ<sup>+</sup> in the rest frame of the dimuon pair and the direction of the dimuon in the B-rest frame.

and the invariant mass of the dimuon pair q<sup>2</sup>.



### Observables

- Focus on measuring ratios where the dominant hadronic uncertainties (e.g. those coming from the B → K form factors) cancel.
- Experimental observables:
  - Forward-backward asymmetry
  - Isospin asymmetry
  - R<sub>K</sub>

#### Why have we focused on K\* II ?

- A large number of existing measurements (and phenomenology papers) focus on the B → K\* II rather than B<sup>+</sup> → K<sup>+</sup> II.
  - B →V II decays are highly sensitive to presence of new physics through the angular distribution (FL, AFB etc).
  - Effect on angular distribution is small for B → K II:

 $A_{FB} \propto \mathcal{R}e(A_S A_V^*)$ 

Wilson coefficient for the scalar operator highly suppressed in SM ,

$$C_S^{SM} \propto \frac{m_l M_B}{M_W^2}$$



# $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \parallel$

- Forward backward asymmetry is sensitive to C<sub>7</sub>, C<sub>9</sub> and C<sub>10</sub> Wilson coefficients.
  - Magnitude of  $C_7$  constrained by inclusive  $b \rightarrow s \gamma$ .
- BaBar, BELLE and CDF have O(100) events.



# B<sup>0</sup> → K<sup>\*0</sup> µµ at LHCb

- In the trigger and the offline selection, try to avoid cutting on  $p_T/IP$  of both muons that can bias  $\theta_L$  (and AFB)
  - Rely on B flight distance, B vertex quality and the B p<sub>T</sub> that are uncorrelated to the angular variables.
  - Largest acceptance biases come from the muon reconstruction (and are geometrical).
- Offline selection based on Fisher discriminant.





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# **Branching ratios**

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$$\begin{split} \mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) < 1.4 \times 10^{-5} \\ \mathcal{B}(B^0 \to K^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) < 16 \times 10^{-5} \\ \mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) < 4.5 \times 10^{-5} \\ \end{split} \\ \end{split}$$

## **Branching ratios at CDF**

• CDF measure only the final states with muons:

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-) = [0.38 \pm 0.05(\text{stat}) \pm 0.03(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-6}$$

Note systematic error not dissimilar to the statistical error

Breakdown of systematic contributions:



CDF Note 10047, 2010

# Differential BR, dΓ/dq<sup>2</sup>

- Differential branching fraction consistent with SM prediction.
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**Red** bands correspond to estimated theoretical uncertainty on SM prediction. Theory uncertainty comparable to existing experimental precision.

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#### **Forward-backward asymmetry**

- Reminder, non-zero AFB comes from the scalar contribution, C<sub>s</sub>.
- Expect AFB ≈ o in SM and plausible NP models.
  - Existing experimental results are consistent with AFB = o.



# Isospin asymmetry

 Isospin asymmetry is the asymmetry between the charged and neutral B decay modes (as a function of q<sup>2</sup>):

$$A_{\rm I}(q^2) = \frac{\mathcal{B}\left(B^0 \to K^0 \mu^+ \mu^-\right) - (\tau_0/\tau_+) \times \mathcal{B}\left(B^\pm \to K^\pm \mu^+ \mu^-\right)}{\mathcal{B}\left(B^0 \to K^0 \mu^+ \mu^-\right) + (\tau_0/\tau_+) \times \mathcal{B}\left(B^\pm \to K^\pm \mu^+ \mu^-\right)}$$

• Expect  $A_1 \approx$  o away from charmonium resonances in SM.

Sensitive to the spectator quark interactions.

(operators  $O_1 - O_6$  and  $O_8$ )

T. Feldmann, J. Matias hep-ph/0212158v2 (2002)



## Isospin asymmetry

Babar/BELLE observe large asymmetry at low q<sup>2</sup>



# Ratio $R_{\kappa}$

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- SM contribution from Higgs exchange diagram.
- In MSSM  $R_{\kappa}$  –1 proportional to BR(B<sub>s</sub> $\rightarrow \mu\mu$ ), enhanced at large tan $\beta$ .



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$$R_K = 0.96^{+0.44}_{-0.34} \pm 0.05$$
  $iggsin 384$ M BB pairs, arXiv 0807.4119 $R_K ~=~ 1.03 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.06$   $iggsin 657$ M BB pairs, arXiv 0904.0770

#### What can we measure at LHCb?

- Difficult to measure modes with one or more neutral final state particles:
  - Higher background and smaller signal.



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### $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$ candidate



LHCb has started to collect samples of fully reconstructed B candidates !

# Conclusions

- Exclusive B → K<sup>(\*)</sup> II decays are highly sensitive to a range of NP scenarios.
  - Existing measurements are compatible with SM predictions but in many cases are statistically limited.
- LHCb is now taking data, we expect:
  - O(100) nb<sup>-1</sup> by end of June
  - O(100) pb<sup>-1</sup> by the end of 2010.
  - O(1) fb<sup>-1</sup> by the end of 2011.

Expect to have similar statistics to BaBar, BELLE and CDF.