

Electroweak penguin decays at LHCb

$(B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^- , B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \gamma \text{ and } B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma)$

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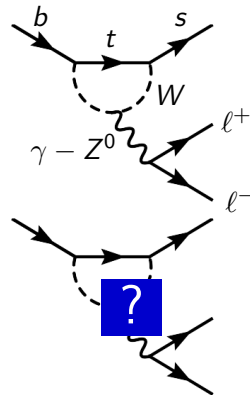
Outline

- 1 Introduction
 - Probing new physics with rare decays
 - The LHCb detector
- 2 Results

Why study “rare” decays of B_s and B_d mesons?

- FCNC processes, mediated by electroweak box and penguin diagrams in SM, i.e. only possible through loops.
- New Physics enters at same (i.e. loop) order and can give rise to comparably large deviations from SM predictions in:
 - Branching fractions.
 - Angular distributions.
 - CP and Isospin asymmetries.

→ Sensitivity to larger mass scales than those directly accessible at the LHC.



Sensitivity to NP through rare decays



$$\text{Operator } \mathcal{O}_i$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{O}_7 \sim m_b (\bar{s}_L \sigma_{\mu\nu} b_R) F_{\mu\nu} & b \rightarrow s\gamma \text{ \& } b \rightarrow sll \end{array} \right.$$

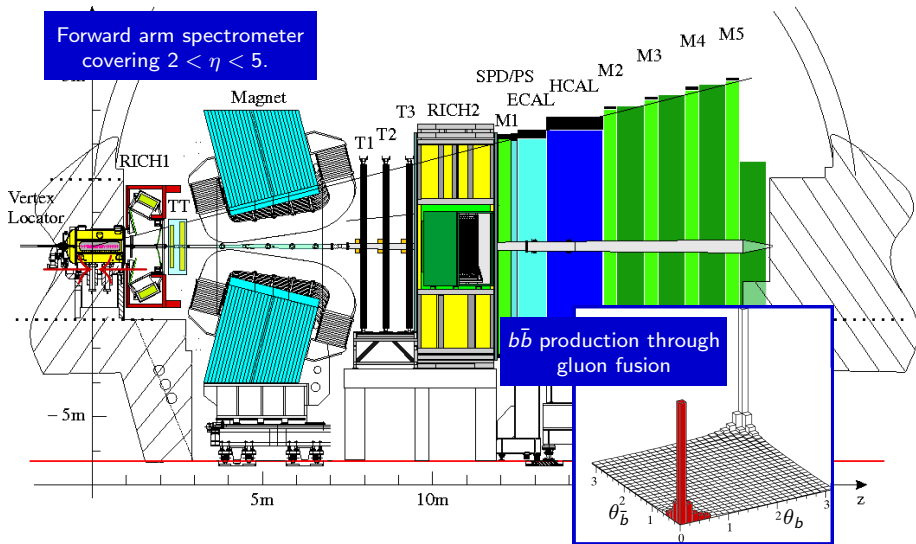


$$\left[\begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{O}_9 \sim (\bar{s}b)_{V-A} (\bar{l}l)_V & b \rightarrow sll \\ \mathcal{O}_{10} \sim (\bar{s}b)_{V-A} (\bar{l}l)_A & b \rightarrow sll \\ \mathcal{O}_{S,P} \sim (\bar{s}b)_{S+P} (\bar{l}l)_{S,P} & B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \text{ \& } b \rightarrow sll \end{array} \right.$$

In the SM:

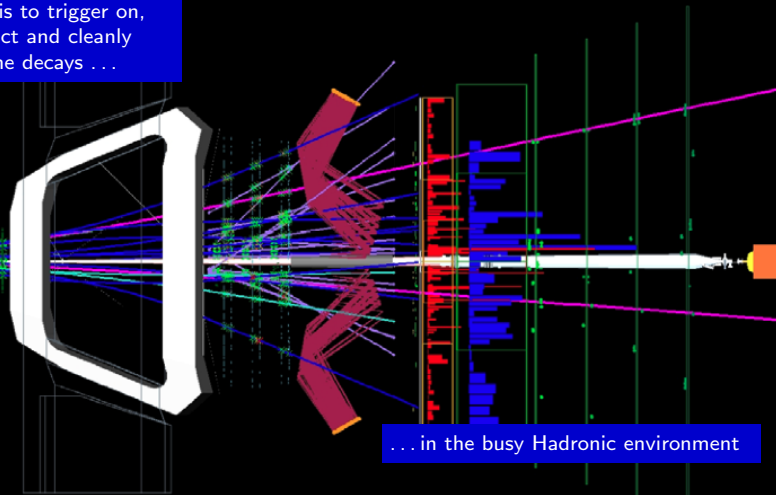
- $\mathcal{C}_{S,P} \propto m_\ell m_b / m_W^2 \sim 0$.
- Helicity flipped operators ($\mathcal{C}'_i \mathcal{O}'_i$) suppressed by m_s / m_b .

The LHCb detector



Needle in a haystack?

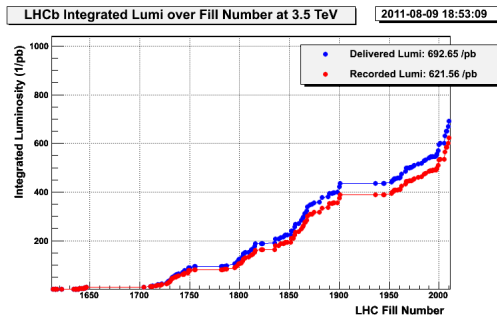
Challenge is to trigger on, reconstruct and cleanly select the decays . . .



. . . in the busy Hadronic environment

Data taking

- Excellent performance from LHC in 2010-2011.
- Results presented for $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ are based on 309 pb^{-1} collected in 3 months in 2011.
- Results presented for $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \gamma$ and $B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$ are based on 88 pb^{-1} collected in 2010 + 2011.
- Instantaneous luminosities of $\sim 3 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$. We are already at design luminosity in LHCb.



Outline

1 Introduction

2 Results

$$B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

See talk by Marc-Olivier Bettler on Friday

$$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$$
$$(b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-)$$

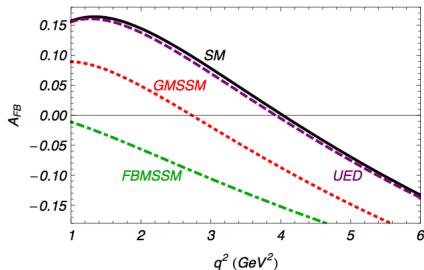
With 309 pb^{-1} of integrated luminosity collected by LHCb in 2011

The rare decay $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

- $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ is a FCNC process mediated by electroweak penguin and box diagrams in the SM
- Sensitive to new physics with contributions from:
 - right-handed currents.
 - new scalar / pseudo-scalar operators.

by probing helicity structure of the decay through angular observables.

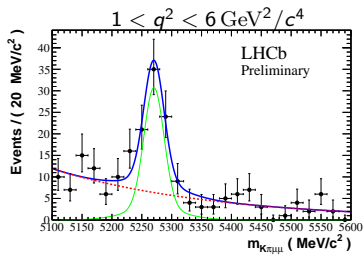
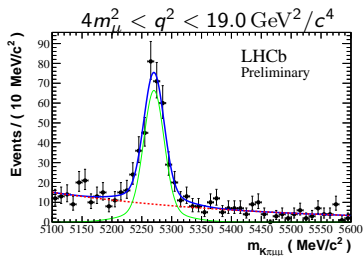
- Decay described by three angles (θ_L , θ_K and ϕ) and the dimuon invariant mass squared, q^2 .
- Many observables where leading form-factor uncertainties can be cancelled, e.g forward-backward asymmetry of the muons (A_{FB}).

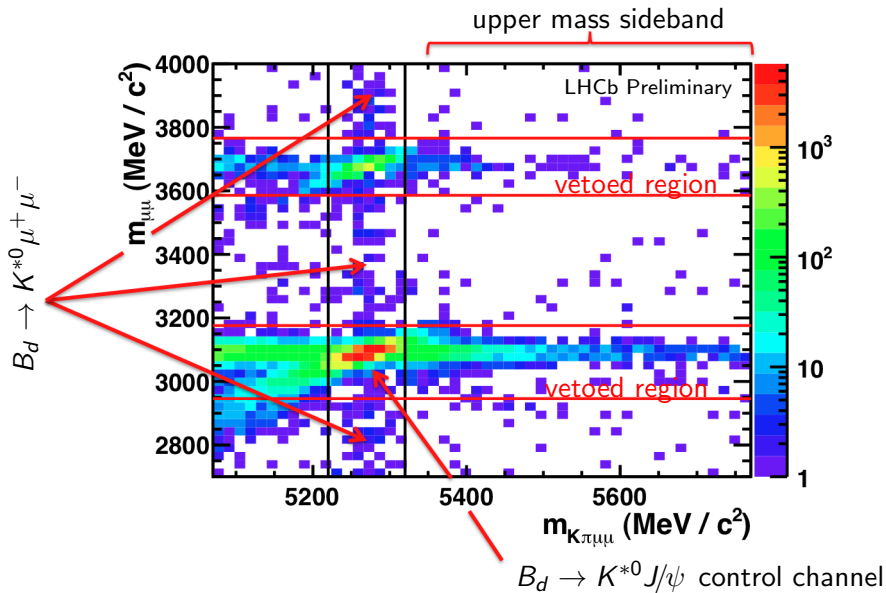


W. Altmannshofer et al. [[JHEP 0901:019 \(2009\)](#)]

$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ event selection

- Events are triggered on:
 - L0 A single high- p_T muon
 - HLT1 A single high-IP and high- p_T track.
 - HLT2 The topology of the B_d decay.
- Boosted Decision Tree used offline to reduce combinatorial background. Trained on $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi$ and background candidates from the upper mass sideband in the 2010 data.
- Cleanly select 302 ± 20 $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ candidates with background-to-signal of ~ 0.3 .





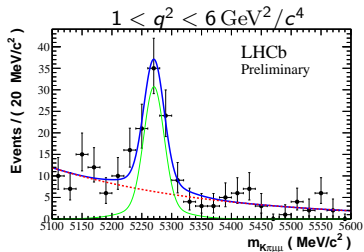
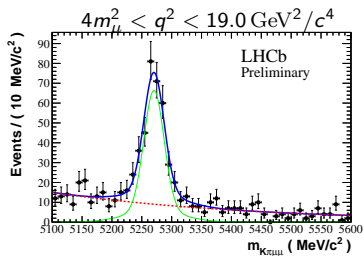
$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ exclusive backgrounds

- Specific peaking backgrounds rejected by PID cuts and cuts on wrong mass hypothesis. e.g.:

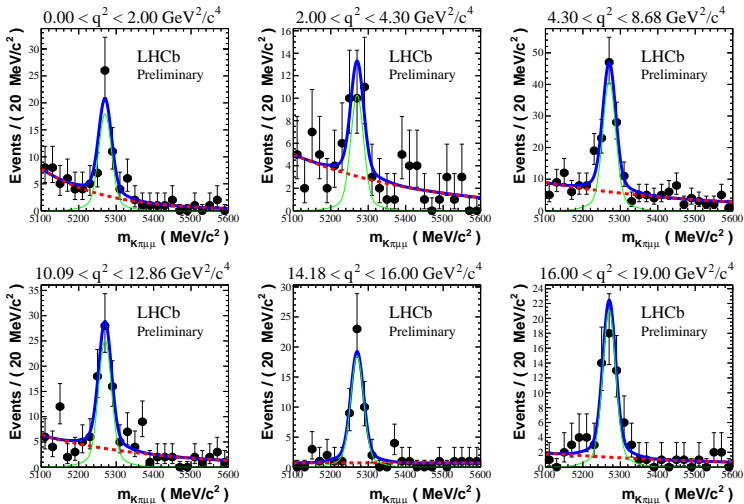
$$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} (\rightarrow K\pi \{ \rightarrow \mu \}) J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu\mu \{ \rightarrow \pi \})$$

$$B_s \rightarrow \phi (\rightarrow KK \{ \rightarrow \pi \}) \mu^+ \mu^-$$

- 'Peaking' backgrounds reduced to < 3% of signal.
- $K^{*0} \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0}$ mis-id, which would dilute A_{FB} , is reduced to 0.7%.

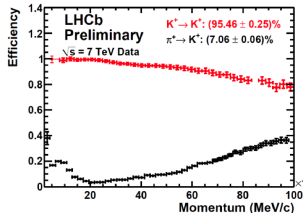
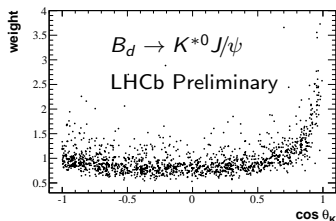


$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ event yields in q^2 bins



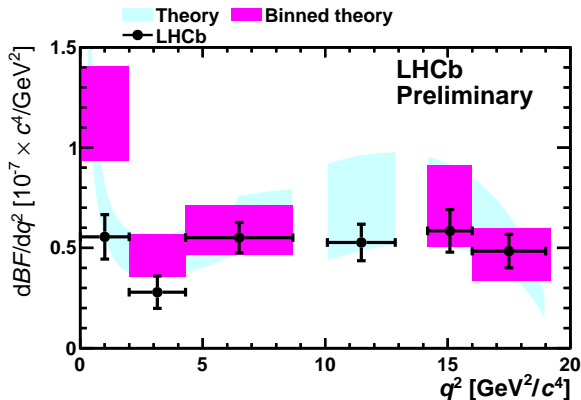
$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ acceptance correction

- Detector geometry, track reconstruction, the trigger and offline selection introduce a θ_L , θ_K and q^2 dependent acceptance bias.
- Acceptance dominated by detector 'geometry' and reconstruction (e.g. $p > 3 \text{ GeV}/c$ for muon to reach muon stations). Trigger and selection optimised to reduce additional biases.
- Candidates are efficiency corrected event-by-event using MC that has been validated and corrected for data-MC differences in:
 - Tracking efficiency.
 - Hadron (mis-)identification.
 - Muon (mis-)identification.
 - Impact parameter resolution
 - B_d kinematics ...



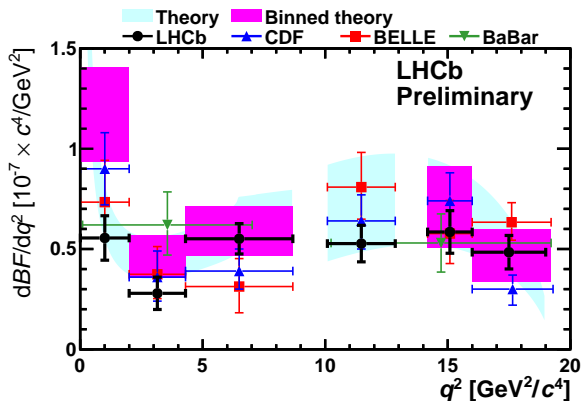
Differential branching fraction

- Applying efficiency correction and normalising w.r.t $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi$:



Theory prediction from C. Bobeth et al. [[arXiv:1105.0376v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/1105.0376v2)]

Differential branching fraction



BaBar [PRD 79 (2009)], Belle [PRL 103 (2009)], CDF [PRL 106 (2011)]

Extracting angular observables

- Perform an unbinned maximum likelihood fit in q^2 -bins, weighting events event-by-event.
- Simultaneously fit $m_{K\pi\mu\mu}$, $\cos\theta_K$ and $\cos\theta_\ell$ with:

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d^2\Gamma}{d\cos\theta_\ell dq^2} = \frac{3}{4} F_L (1 - \cos^2\theta_\ell) + \frac{3}{8} (1 - F_L) (1 + \cos^2\theta_\ell) + A_{FB} \cos\theta_\ell$$

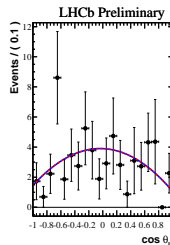
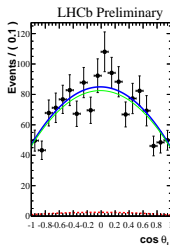
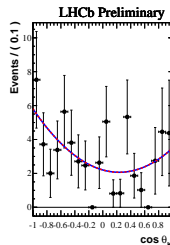
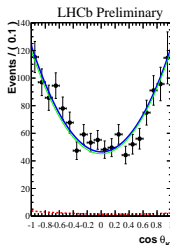
$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d^2\Gamma}{d\cos\theta_K dq^2} = \frac{3}{2} F_L \cos^2\theta_K + \frac{3}{4} (1 - F_L) (1 - \cos^2\theta_K)$$

for the signal angular distributions, a double Gaussian distribution for the signal mass distribution

- An exponential for the background mass distribution and 2^{nd} order polynomials for the angular distributions of the background.

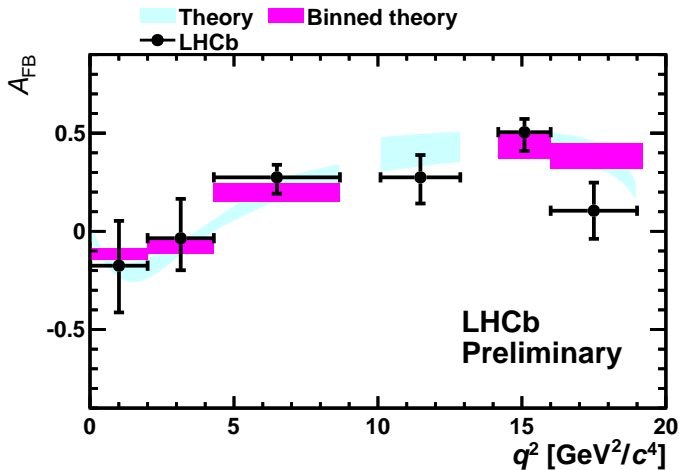
Validation with $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi$

- Validate the fit using $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$ decays.
- A_{FB} is consistent with zero. F_L is consistent with measurements from *BABAR*, Belle and 2010 LHCb result.
 - S-wave dependence in $\cos \theta_K$ consistent with observations of *BABAR* [PRD 76 (2007)].
- Contributions from non $K^{*0}(892) \rightarrow K\pi$, such as non-resonant $K\pi$ or $K\pi$ S-wave are ignored for the $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ analysis[†].



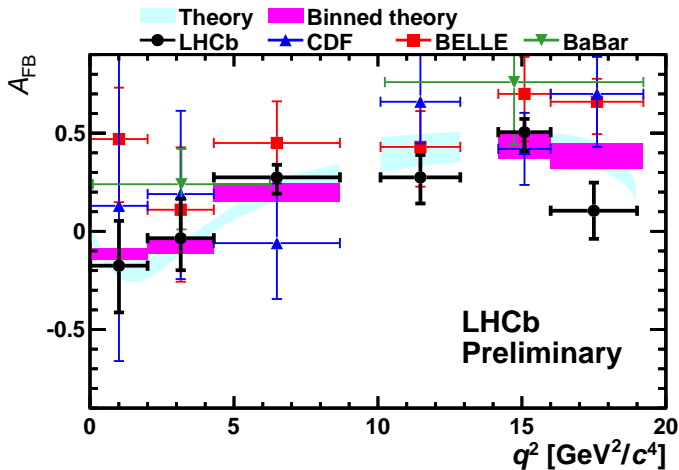
[†] theory input is needed here

Forward-backward asymmetry



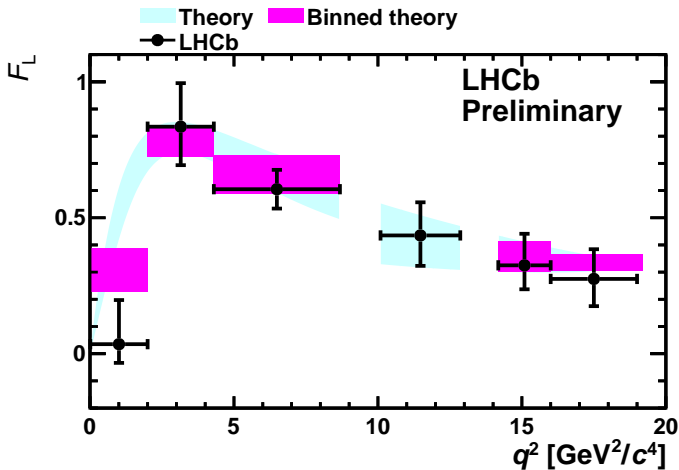
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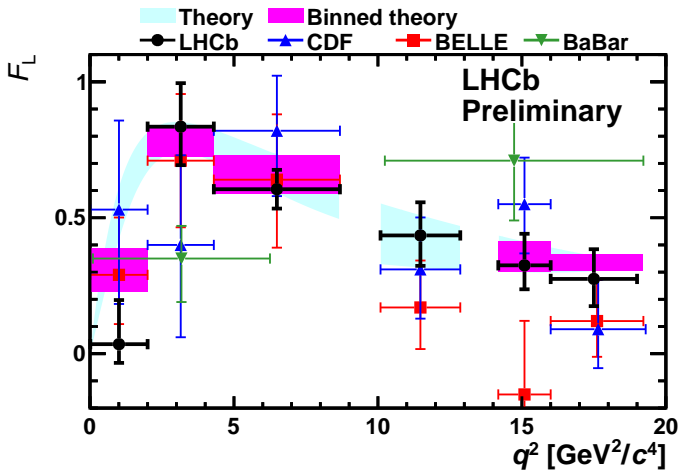
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Longitudinal polarisation



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$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ systematic uncertainties

- Consider sources of systematic uncertainty from:
 1. Data derived MC corrections, which are varied systematically within their measured uncertainties:
 - Variation of PID performance, impact parameter resolution, track reconstruction efficiency and trigger p_T dependence.
 2. MC statistics (dominant at high- q^2 in the phase space MC).
 3. Signal and background mass models.
 - (4.) Background angular model for A_{FB} and F_L .
 - (5.) The uncertainty on the $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi$ BF for BF normalisation.
- Systematic uncertainty is typically $\mathcal{O}(30\%)$ of statistical uncertainty. Sources of systematic uncertainty are statistically limited and expected to improve with larger data sets.

$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ summary

- This preliminary result, based on 309 pb^{-1} , represents the most precise measurement of $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ to date.
- dBF/dq^2 , A_{FB} and F_L show a striking agreement with recent SM predictions, with:

$$A_{FB} = -0.10_{-0.14}^{+0.14} \pm 0.05$$

$$F_L = 0.57_{-0.10}^{+0.11} \pm 0.03$$

$$dBF/dq^2 = 0.39 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.02$$

in the theoretically favoured $1 < q^2 < 6 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$ region.

- The measurement is statistically dominated and the leading systematic uncertainties are also expected to improve with increased statistics.

$$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \gamma \text{ \& } B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$$
$$(b \rightarrow s \gamma)$$

With 88 pb^{-1} of integrated luminosity collected in 2010 and 2011

$$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma \ \& \ B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$$

- BR($B_d \rightarrow X_s\gamma$) in agreement with SM predictions:

$$BR(B_d \rightarrow X_s\gamma)_{\text{exp.}} = 3.15 \pm 0.23 \times 10^{-4} \quad [\text{PRL } 103 \text{ (2009)}]$$

$$BR(B_d \rightarrow X_s\gamma)_{\text{th.}} = 3.56 \pm 0.26 \times 10^{-4} \quad \text{M. Misiak [PRL } 98 \text{ (2007)]}$$



setting strong constraints on NP.

- Large deviations still possible in asymmetries, e.g. $\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma)$.
Worlds best measurement of $\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma)$ from *BABAR* based on 2400 signal candidates:

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP} = -0.016 \pm 0.022 \pm 0.007 \quad [\text{PRL } 103 \text{ (2009)}]$$

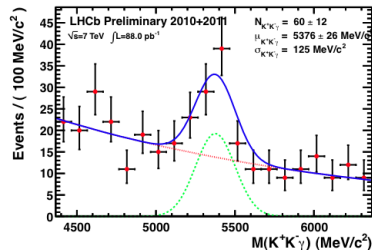
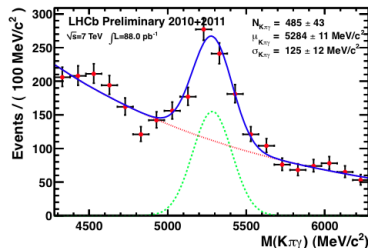


- Can also probe the right-handed component of the photon polarisation (and \mathcal{C}'_7) through the time dependent CP asymmetry of $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$ (or through an angular analysis of $B_d \rightarrow K^*e^+e^-$ at low- q^2 [[LHCb-PUB-2009-008](#)]).

$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$ & $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$ at LHCb

- Common selection for $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$ and $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$. Differs only in daughter PID requirements and K^{*0}/ϕ mass window.
- Observe:
 - $485 \pm 43 B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$
 - $60 \pm 12 B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$
 candidates in 88 pb^{-1} .

- Aim to measure $\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma)$ to $\mathcal{O}(20\%)$ precision by end of summer. c.f. $\mathcal{O}(35\%)$ by Belle [PRL 100 (2008)].
- Aim for measurement of $\mathcal{A}_{CP}(B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma)$ for winter conferences.



Summary

LHC and LHCb performance in 2011 has been excellent.

620 pb⁻¹ integrated luminosity collected in 3 months in 2011. Expect 1 fb⁻¹ by the end of the year.

First measurement of angular observables in $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ by LHCb appears consistent with the SM.



Expect numerous rare decay results in 2011-2012

- Large number of ongoing analysis:

 R_K $D^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ $B_s \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \mu^-$ $\Lambda_B \rightarrow \Lambda \mu^+ \mu^-$ $B^+ / D_{(S)}^+ \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \mu^+$ $D \rightarrow K^+ K^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$ $B \rightarrow e \mu (\mu \tau)$ $\tau^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+$ $B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$ $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \gamma$ $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ Isospin analysis in $B_{u,d} \rightarrow X_{s(u,d)} \mu^+ \mu^-$

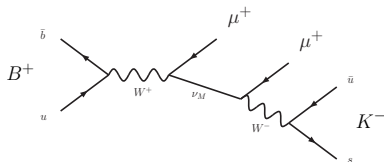
$$B^+ \rightarrow h^- \mu^+ \mu^+$$

(not an electroweak penguin)

With 36 pb^{-1} of integrated luminosity collected by LHC*b* in 2010

Lepton number violation through $B^+ \rightarrow h^- \mu^+ \mu^+$ decays

- Search for number violation in $B^+ \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \mu^+$ and $B^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$ decays. These are $\Delta L=2$ processes that are forbidden in SM (unambiguous sign of NP).
- Decay can be mediated by a heavy $\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ GeV}/c^2)$ Majorana neutrino (that mixes with SM ν_μ).



- Existing limits from [CLEO] are $1 - 2 \times 10^{-6}$.

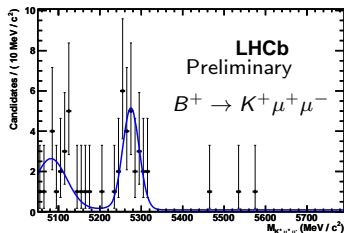
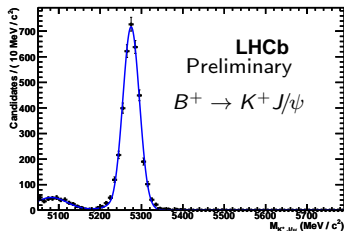
Lepton number violation through $B^+ \rightarrow h^- \mu^+ \mu^+$ decays

- Analysis strategy:
 - Normalise branching fraction to $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ J/\psi$ in data.
 - Peaking backgrounds estimated to be negligible using MC (to model the kinematics) and data derived particle mis-id rates.
- Observe **no** candidates and set limits of:

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \mu^+) < 4.1 \times 10^{-8}$$

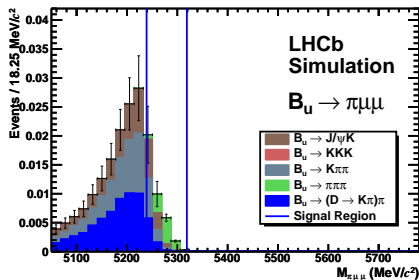
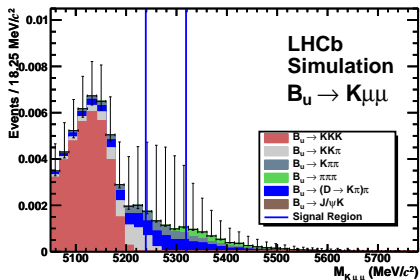
$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+) < 4.4 \times 10^{-8}$$

at 90% CL.



$B^+ \rightarrow h^- \mu^+ \mu^+$ exclusive peaking backgrounds

- The expected exclusive peaking backgrounds in 36 pb^{-1} after applying the kinematic selection and parametrically applying the detector PID performance:



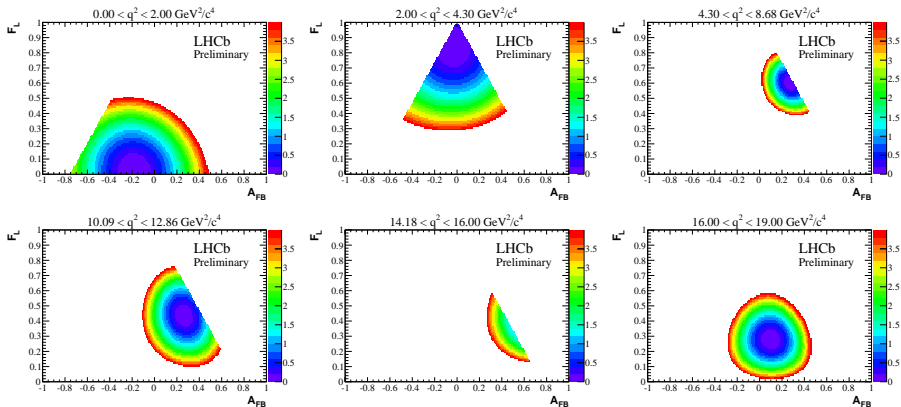
- All exclusive background contributions are well below 0.1 event for $B^+ \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \mu^+$ and $B^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$.

$$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$$
$$(b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-)$$

With 309 pb^{-1} of integrated luminosity collected by LHCb in 2011

$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ likelihoods

- Profiled $-\log \mathcal{L}$ in the physically allowed region of A_{FB} and F_L .



$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ event yields

- Observed (raw) $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ signal and background yields in a $5220 < m_{K\pi\mu\mu} < 5320 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ mass window in 309 pb^{-1} using the q^2 binning from Belle.

$q^2 (\text{GeV}^2)$	n_{sig}	n_{bkg}	significance (σ)
$0 < q^2 < 2$	40.9 ± 7.5	14.4 ± 8.5	7.7
$2 < q^2 < 4.3$	23.3 ± 6.2	15.3 ± 8.6	4.9
$4.3 < q^2 < 8.68$	93.3 ± 11.3	30.0 ± 12.5	11.7
$10.09 < q^2 < 12.9$	57.3 ± 8.8	18.6 ± 9.7	9.3
$14.18 < q^2 < 16$	42.2 ± 6.8	3.6 ± 4.7	10.1
$16 < q^2 < 19$	48.1 ± 7.8	6.7 ± 6.4	9.2
$1 < q^2 < 6 \text{ GeV}^2$	70.0 ± 10.2	$32. \pm 3.2$	9.4
Full	302.3 ± 20.1	91.0 ± 5.4	–

- In the full mass window 323.0 ± 21.4 $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ candidates are observed.

$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ fit results in q^2 bins

- The central values and statistical and systematic uncertainties for A_{FB} , F_L and dBF/dq^2 in the six q^2 bins and the $1 < q^2 < 6 \text{ GeV}^2$ bin.

$q^2 (\text{GeV}^2)$	A_{FB}	F_L	$dBF/dq^2 (\times 10^{-7})$
$0 < q^2 < 2$	$-0.17^{+0.22}_{-0.23} \pm 0.06$	$0.03^{+0.15}_{-0.03} \pm 0.06$	$0.56 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.03$
$2 < q^2 < 4.3$	$-0.04^{+0.19}_{-0.15} \pm 0.06$	$0.84^{+0.15}_{-0.13} \pm 0.06$	$0.28 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.02$
$4.3 < q^2 < 8.68$	$0.28^{+0.06}_{-0.08} \pm 0.02$	$0.60^{+0.07}_{-0.07} \pm 0.01$	$0.55 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03$
$10.09 < q^2 < 12.9$	$0.27^{+0.11}_{-0.13} \pm 0.03$	$0.44^{+0.12}_{-0.11} \pm 0.02$	$0.53 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.03$
$14.18 < q^2 < 16$	$0.50^{+0.06}_{-0.09} \pm 0.03$	$0.33^{+0.11}_{-0.08} \pm 0.04$	$0.59 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.03$
$16 < q^2 < 19$	$0.10^{+0.13}_{-0.13} \pm 0.06$	$0.28^{+0.10}_{-0.09} \pm 0.04$	$0.48 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.03$
$1 < q^2 < 6$	$-0.10^{+0.14}_{-0.14} \pm 0.05$	$0.57^{+0.11}_{-0.10} \pm 0.03$	$0.39 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.02$

- The first, asymmetric, set of errors is given by a Bayesian error estimate, with a prior that the points sit within the physical region. The second error is a systematic error

The Effective Hamiltonian

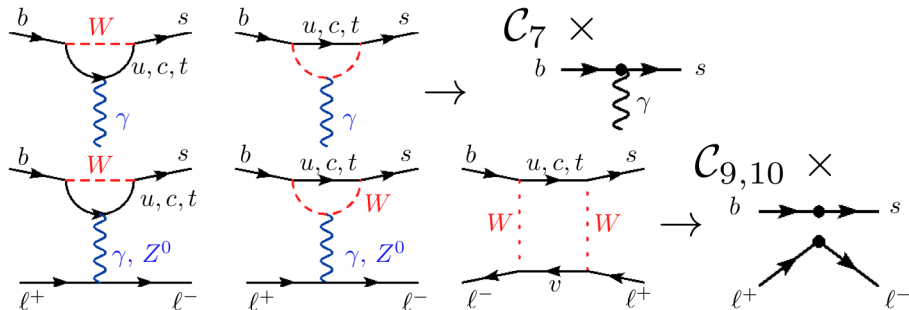
- Model independent approach. Are there new heavy degrees of freedom \rightarrow NP ?
- Form effective Hamiltonian for $b \rightarrow s$ transitions :

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i [c_i \mathcal{O}_i + c'_i \mathcal{O}'_i]$$

Short range physics (heavy degrees of freedom) are contained in the coefficients, C_i , and the operators \mathcal{O}_i contain the long range contributions.

Operator product expansion for $b \rightarrow sll$

- Three distinct energy scales:
 - $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) \sim 0.1 \text{ GeV}$, $\mathcal{O}(m_b) \sim 5 \text{ GeV}$ and $\mathcal{O}(m_W) \sim 90 \text{ GeV}$.
- Factor out long and short distance components:



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- Sensitive to NP with contributions from:
 - right-handed currents.
 - new scalar, pseudo-scalar or tensor operators.

predominantly through angular observables (probing helicity structure of the underlying theory).

$\leftarrow 1\text{fb}^{-1}$ $1-2\text{fb}^{-1}$ $2 \rightarrow 10\text{fb}^{-1}$ ($\int \mathcal{L} dt$ at LHCb)

$A_{FB}(q^2)$
 $\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2}$
 F_L

$A_T^{(2)}$

Full angular analysis of Helicity/Transversity amplitudes

CP asymmetries in angular observables

Isospin analysis

- Calculable away from the $c\bar{c}$ resonances and for $m_{\mu^+\mu^-} > 1\text{ GeV}$.

Angular basis for $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

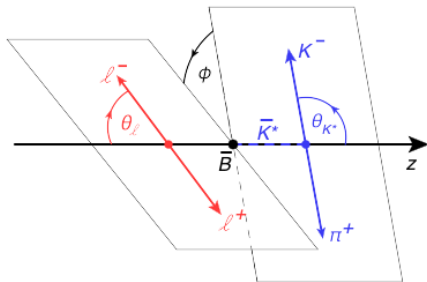
q^2 Invariant mass squared of the dimuon system $q^2 = m_{\mu^+ \mu^-}^2$.

θ_ℓ Angle between the direction of the μ^- in the $\mu^+ \mu^-$ rest frame and the direction of the $\mu^+ \mu^-$ in the \bar{B}_d rest frame.

θ_K Angle between the kaon in the \bar{K}^{*0} rest frame and the \bar{K}^{*0} in the \bar{B}_d rest frame.

ϕ Angle between planes defined by $\mu^- \mu^+$ and the $K\pi$ in the \bar{B}_d frame.

$\bar{B}_d \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} \ell^+ \ell^-$ angular definition



Angular distribution for $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

- The full angular distribution can be written in term of 6 complex, q^2 -dependent, helicity or transversity amplitudes. e.g. $A_{0,L/R}$, $A_{\parallel,L/R}$ and $A_{\perp,L/R}$.

or equivalently as 12 q^2 -dependent angular terms:

$$\frac{d^4\Gamma}{d\cos\theta_\ell d\cos\theta_K d\phi dq^2} = \frac{9}{32\pi} \cdot \left[\begin{aligned} &I_1^S \sin^2 \theta_K + I_1^C \cos^2 \theta_K + (I_2^S \sin^2 \theta_K + I_2^C \cos^2 \theta_K) \cos 2\theta_\ell \\ &I_3 \sin^2 \theta_K \sin^2 \theta_\ell \cos 2\phi + I_4 \sin 2\theta_K \sin 2\theta_\ell \cos \phi \\ &I_5 \sin 2\theta_K \sin \theta_\ell \cos \phi + (I_6^S \sin^2 \theta_K + I_6^C \cos^2 \theta_K) \cos \theta_\ell \\ &I_7 \sin 2\theta_K \sin \theta_\ell \sin \phi + I_8 \sin 2\theta_K \sin 2\theta_\ell \sin \phi \\ &I_9 \sin^2 \theta_K \sin^2 \theta_\ell \sin 2\phi \end{aligned} \right]$$

Angular projections for $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

- Integrating over all but one of the angles yields:

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d^2\Gamma}{d \cos \theta_\ell dq^2} = \frac{3}{4} F_L (1 - \cos^2 \theta_\ell) + \frac{3}{8} (1 - F_L) (1 + \cos^2 \theta_\ell) + A_{FB} \cos \theta_\ell$$

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d^2\Gamma}{d \cos \theta_K dq^2} = \frac{3}{2} F_L \cos^2 \theta_K + \frac{3}{4} (1 - F_L) (1 - \cos^2 \theta_K)$$

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d^2\Gamma}{d\phi dq^2} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} A_T^2 (1 - F_L) \cos 2\phi + A_{Im} \sin 2\phi$$

where :

$$A_{FB} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\mathcal{R}e(A_{\parallel,L} A_{\perp,L}^*) - \mathcal{R}e(A_{\parallel,R} A_{\perp,R}^*)}{|A_0|^2 + |A_{\parallel}|^2 + |A_{\perp}|^2} \quad \text{and} \quad F_L = \frac{|A_0|^2}{|A_0|^2 + |A_{\parallel}|^2 + |A_{\perp}|^2}$$

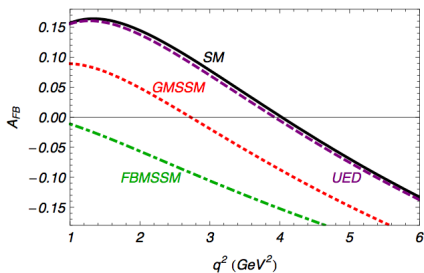
Forward backward asymmetry

- With small data-sets focus on A_{FB} , the forward-backward asymmetry of the muons. Highly sensitive to NP contributions.
- Hadronic uncertainties from Form Factors (V , $T_{1,2}$ & A_1) cancel at LO when $A_{FB} = 0$.

$$A_{FB}(q^2) = \frac{N(\cos \theta_\ell > 0) - N(\cos \theta_\ell < 0)}{N(\cos \theta_\ell > 0) + N(\cos \theta_\ell < 0)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (I_6^S + I_6^C)$$

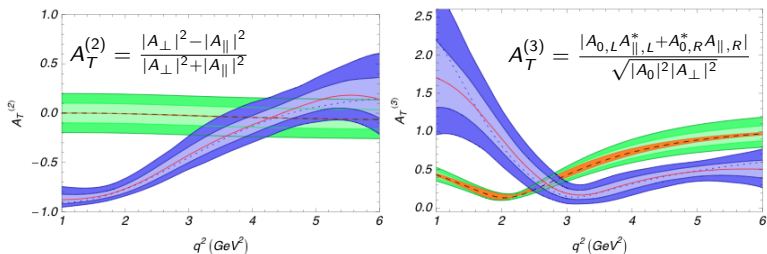
$$\propto f(\hat{s}) |V_{ts}^* V_{tb}| C_{10} \left(\text{Re}(C_9^{(eff)}) VA_1 + \frac{\hat{m}_b}{\hat{s}} C_7^{(eff)} [VT_2(1 - \hat{m}_{K^*}) + A_1 T_1(1 + \hat{m}_{K^*})] \right)$$



[W.Altmannshofer et al.]

Constructing asymmetries from transversity amplitudes

- With a large data set can explore new angular observables through a full angular analysis. Construct observables independent of form factors (at LO in Λ/m_b and α_s). e.g. $A_T^{(3)}$ sensitive to new physics in \mathcal{C}'_7 .

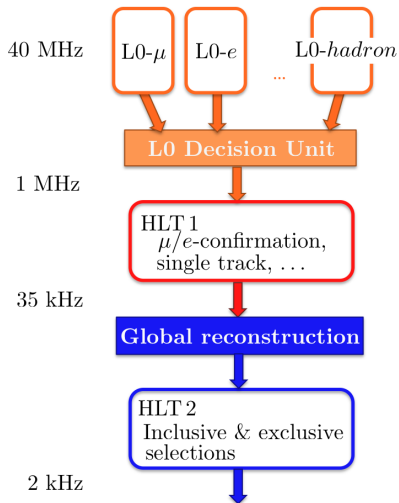


blue band: Experimental error on a SUSY scenario with a large gluino mass from 10 fb^{-1} toy experiments.

green band: Standard model prediction with theory error. [U. Egede et al.]

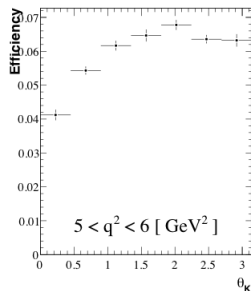
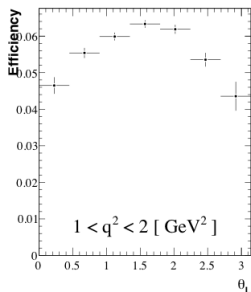
The LHCb trigger

- L0** Hardware trigger, reduces rate from 40 MHz to 1 MHz by triggering on high- p_T lepton or hadron.
- HLT 1** Software trigger in event filter farm. Reduces rate to 35 kHz by reconstructing tracks with high-IP and p_T / finding displaced vertices in VELO.
- HLT 2** Software trigger reduces rate to tape to 2 kHz. Performs global reconstruction and inclusively/exclusively selects B or D mesons.



Acceptance effects in the LHCb reconstruction

- Plots show impact of the muon reconstruction on θ_ℓ at low- q^2 and impact of the pion and kaon reconstruction on θ_K at intermediate- q^2 .
- Soft pion \rightarrow asymmetric acceptance in θ_K .
- Efficiency lowest at $q^2 \rightarrow (m_B - m_{K^{*0}})^2$ where the K^{*0} is softest.



$$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \gamma \text{ \& \ } B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$$
$$(b \rightarrow s \gamma)$$

With 88 pb^{-1} of integrated luminosity collected in 2010 + 2011

$B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$ & $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$ trigger strategy

- Trigger strategy for radiative decays:
 - L0 Trigger on high- E_T photon.
 - HLT 1 Trigger on high- p_T and high-IP track or on softer track and high- E_T photon.
 - HLT 2 Full exclusive reconstruction of the $K^{*0}\gamma$ or $\phi\gamma$ candidate.