# $B ightarrow K + ext{invisible}$ as a probe for light physics

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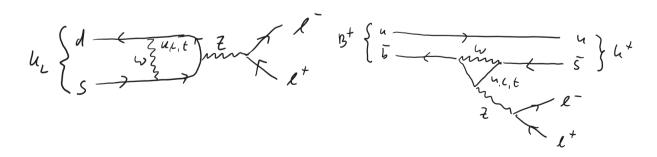
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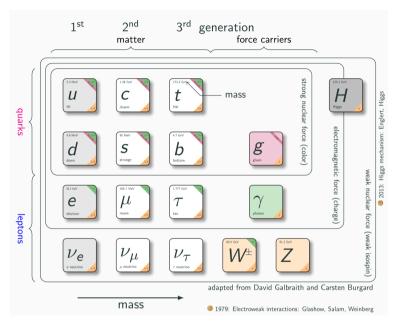
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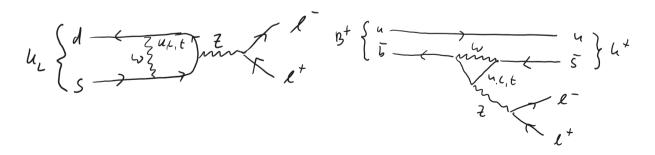
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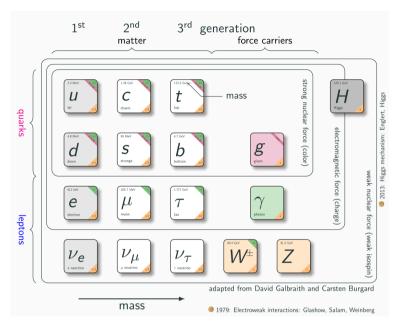




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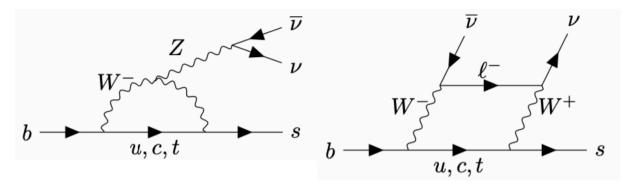




- K and B meson decays can be calculated reliably (compared to D mesons)
- many more *B* meson decay channels, since *B* is heavier

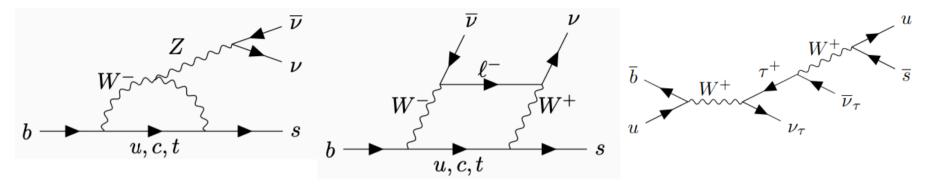
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# $B \rightarrow K + \text{invisible}$



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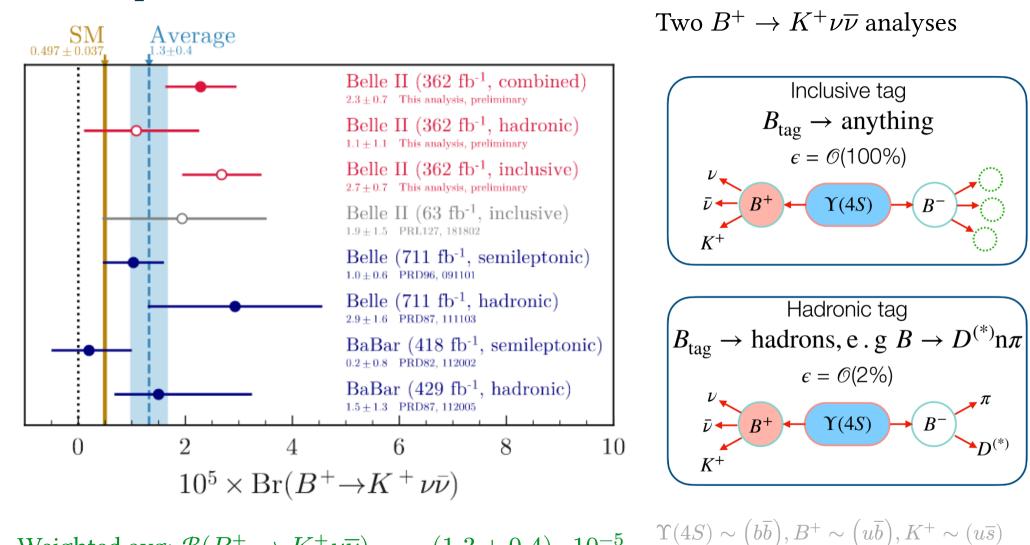


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- Tree level contribution to  $B^+ \to K^+ \nu \overline{\nu}$  [Kamenik+ 0908.1174] treated as background

# **Current experimental result**

[Belle II 2311.14647]

Introduction

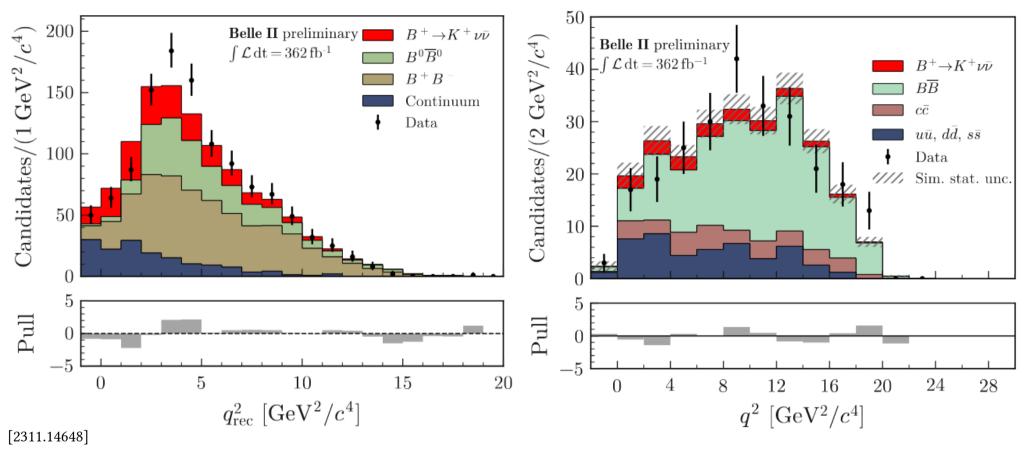


Weighted avg:  $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \nu \overline{\nu})_{\rm SD} = (1.3 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^{-5}$ 

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$$\left(q_{\rm rec}^2 = q^2 + \left(E_B - m_B\right)^2 - 2 \boldsymbol{p}_{\boldsymbol{K}} \cdot \boldsymbol{p}_{\boldsymbol{B}}$$

Belle II result

- + ITA: excess for  $q_{\rm rec} \sim (3-5) {\rm GeV^2}$
- HTA: no significant excess

# Fits to data for different new physics

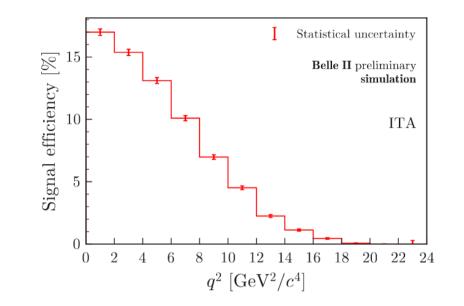
#### 70 - 3-body vector $m_{\gamma} = 0.6 \text{ GeV}$ 60 - 3-body scalar $m_{\gamma} = 0$ BG)50 - 2-body $m_X = 2$ GeV # Events (Data − 40 **—** SM 30 Belle II ITA $\eta(BDT_2) > 0.98$ 20 10 0 5 10 0 15 $q_{\rm rec}^2 \, [{\rm GeV}^2]$ [Fridell+ 2312.12507]

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See also Altmannshofer+ 2311.14629 for 2-body decay explanation.

# [Fridell+ 2312.12507]

# Introduction



# Fits of theory predictions to data

$\chi^2_{ m min}-100$	2b	V	$\vee'$	S	Т	SM
Belle II	6.8	15.2	4.7	15.1	11.9	44.6
+ BaBar SR	27.6	30.4	22.1	31.8	29.8	61.0
$+$ BaBar $s_B < 0.8$	73.3	78.8	72.9	90.2	86.9	106.7

# **Observables**

Introduction

Observable	SM prediction	current constraint	Belle II	
	LQCD+LCSR		$5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$	$50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$
${\sf Br}(B^+ o K^+  u ar u)$	$(5.06\pm0.14\pm0.28) imes10^{-6}$	$(1.3\pm0.4) imes10^{-5}$	0.28(0.19)	0.11 (0.08)
${\sf Br}(B^0 o K^0_S  u ar u)$	$(2.05\pm0.07\pm0.12) imes10^{-6}$	$< 2.6  imes 10^{-5}$	1.31(0.87)	0.59(0.40)
${\sf Br}(B^+ o K^{*+}  u ar u)$	$(10.86 \pm 1.30 \pm 0.59)  imes 10^{-6}$	$<4.0 imes10^{-5}$	1.06(0.75)	0.53(0.38)
${\sf Br}(B^0 o K^{*0}  u ar  u)$	$(9.05\pm1.25\pm0.55) imes10^{-6}$	$< 1.8  imes 10^{-5}$	0.60(0.40)	0.34(0.23)
$F_L(B^0  o K^{*0}  u ar{ u})$	$0.49\pm0.04$			0.079
$F_L(B^+  o K^{*+}  u ar{ u})$	$0.49\pm0.04$			0.077
$Br(B_s \to \mathrm{inv})$		$< 5.9  imes 10^{-4}$	$1.1  imes 10^{-5}$	
$Br(B  o X_s  u ar{ u})$	$(2.7\pm 0.2)  imes 10^{-5}$	$< 6.4  imes 10^{-4}$	plar	nned

**SM prediction:**  $B \to K^{(*)}\nu\overline{\nu}$  [Becirevic+ 2301.06990];  $F_L$  [flavio 1810.08132];  $B \to X_s\nu\overline{\nu}$  [Altmannshofer+ 0902.0160] **constraints:**  $B \to K^{(*)0}\nu\overline{\nu}$  [Belle 1702.03224];  $B^+ \to K^+\nu\overline{\nu}$  [Belle II 2311.14647];  $B^+ \to K^{*+}\nu\overline{\nu}$  [Belle 1303.3719];  $B \to X_s\nu\overline{\nu}$  [ALEPH hep-ex/0010022];  $B_s \to \text{inv}$  [Alonso-Alvarez+ 2310.13043] **projections:** [2207.06307, 1808.10567, private communication]  $F_L$  is longitudinal polarisation fraction of  $K^*$  **Light physics** 

# **Recent work on light physics explanations**

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#### The Decay $B \to K \nu \bar{\nu}$ at Belle II and a Massless Bino in R-parity-violating Supersymmetry

Herbert K. Dreiner,<sup>1</sup>,<sup>\*</sup> Julian Y. Günther,<sup>1</sup>,<sup>†</sup> and Zeren Simon Wang<sup>2, 3</sup>,<sup>‡</sup>

PHYSICAL REVIEW D 109, 075019 (2024)

#### Revisiting models that enhance $B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ in light of the new Belle II measurement

Xiao-Gang He,<sup>1,2,\*</sup> Xiao-Dong Ma<sup>6</sup>,<sup>3,4,†</sup> and German Valencia<sup>5,‡</sup>

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Scalar dark matt	er explanation of the excess in the

Belle II  $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ +$  invisible measurement

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EPL, **145** (2024) 14001 doi: 10.1209/0295-5075/ad1d03

# $B \to K^*M_X$ vs. $B \to KM_X$ as a probe of a scalar mediator dark-matter scenario

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#### PHYSICAL REVIEW D 109, 075006 (2024)

#### Higgs portal interpretation of the Belle II $B^+ \to K^+ \nu \nu$ measurement

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Recent  $B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  Excess and Muon g-2 Illuminating Light Dark Sector with Higgs Portal

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High theory activity on

light physics following re-

cent Belle II measurement.

#### Light new physics in $B \to K^{(*)} \nu \bar{\nu}$ ?

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Light physics

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#### Decoding the $B \rightarrow K\nu\nu$ excess at Belle II: Kinematics, operators, and masses

Kåre Fridell,<sup>1,2,\*</sup> Mitrajyoti Ghosh,<sup>2,†</sup> Takemichi Okui<sup>0</sup>,<sup>2,1,‡</sup> and Kohsaku Tobioka<sup>0,2,1,§</sup> <sup>1</sup>KEK Theory Center, Tsukuba, Ibaraki 305–0801, Japan <sup>2</sup>Department of Physics, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306-4350, USA

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#### PHYSICAL REVIEW D 110, 055001 (2024)

#### Signatures of light new particles in $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}E_{miss}$

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# Earlier work on light new physics

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Physics Letters B 395 (1997) 339-344

Rare  $B \to K^{(*)} \nu \overline{\nu}$  decays at B factories

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New physics effects in  $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \nu \nu$  decays

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#### Rare $B \to K^* \nu \bar{\nu}$ decay beyond standard model

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#### A tale of invisibility: constraints on new physics in

 $b \rightarrow s \nu \nu$ 

#### Tobias Felkl, Sze Lok Li and Michael A. Schmidt

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#### Complementarity of $B \to K^{(*)} \mu \bar{\mu}$ and $B \to K^{(*)} + inv$ for searches of GeV-scale Higgs-like scalars

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#### New strategies for new physics search in $B \to K^* \nu \bar{\nu}$ , $B \to K \nu \bar{\nu}$ and $B \to X_{s} \nu \bar{\nu}$ decays

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#### FCNC *B* and *K* meson decays with light bosonic Dark Matter

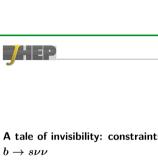
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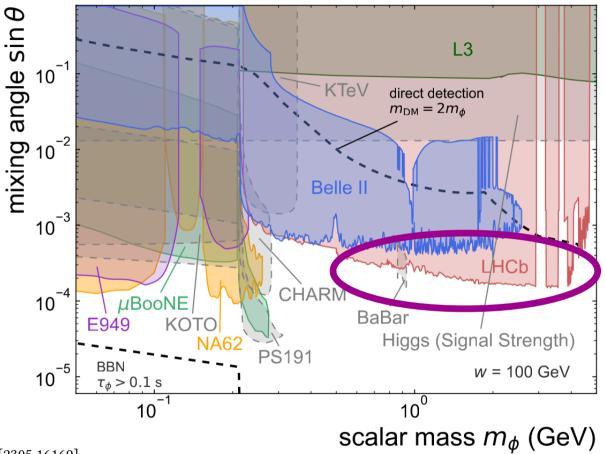


# Light scalar $\varphi$

 $B \to K^{(*)} + \varphi(\to \text{invisible})$ 

# Light GeV-scale Higgs-like scalar

# Light physics



#### E949: $K^+ \to \pi^+ \phi(\to inv.)$ Phys. Rev. D 79 (2009) 092004

KOTO:  $\mathcal{K}_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \phi(\rightarrow \text{inv.})$ Phys. Rev. Lett. 126 (12) (2021) 121801

NA62:  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \phi(\rightarrow inv.)$ JHEP 02 (2021) 201, JHEP 06 (2021) 093

PS191:  $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \phi (\rightarrow e^{+} e^{-}, \mu^{+} \mu^{-})$ Phys. Lett. B 203(1988) 332–334, Phys. Lett. B 820 (2021) 136524

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Belle II:  $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \phi(\rightarrow e^+ e^-, \mu^+ \mu^-, \pi^+ \pi^-, K^+ K^-)$ arXiv:2306.02830 [hep-ex] 2023

KTeV:  $K_{L}^{0} \rightarrow \pi^{0} \phi (\rightarrow \mu^{+} \mu^{-})$ Phys. Rev. Left. 84(2000) 5279–5282, Phys. Rev. D 99 (1) (2019) 015018

BaBar:  $B \rightarrow X_S \phi$  ( $\rightarrow e^+ e^-, \mu^+ \mu^-, \pi^+ \pi^-, K^+ K^-$ ) Phys. Rev.Lett. 114 (17) (2015) 171801, Phys. Rev. D 99 (1) (2019) 015018

L3:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z^*\phi$ Phys. Lett. B 385 (1996) 454–470

LHCb:  $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \phi(\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$ Phys. Rev. Lett. 115 (16) (2015) 161802, Phys. Rev. D 95 (7) (2017) 071101, Phys. Rev. D 99 (1) (2019) 015018

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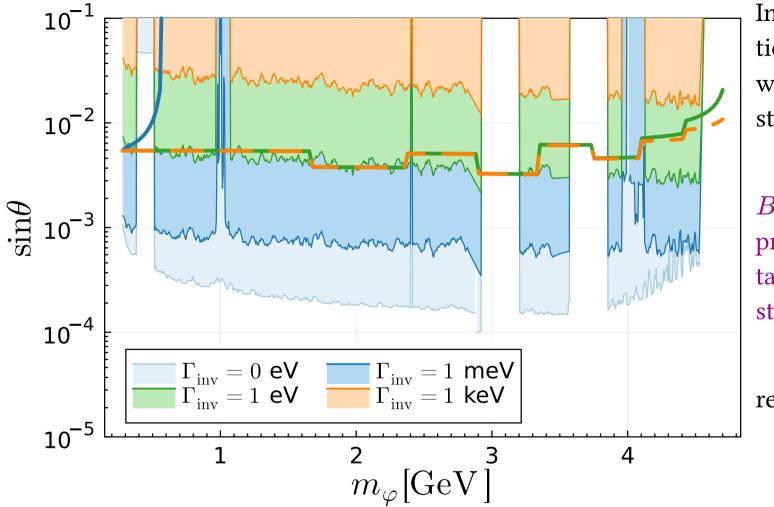
- + 2 parameters: mass  $m_{\varphi}$  and mixing angle  $\theta$
- strongest constraint:  $B^+ \to K^+ \varphi (\to \mu \overline{\mu})$  [LHCb 1612.07818]

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# Light GeV-scale scalar

## [Ovchynnikov, MS, Schwetz 2306.09508]

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In presence of additional invisible decay width  $\Gamma_{inv}$ , LHCb constraint is weakened

 $B \rightarrow K + \text{invisible}$ provides a complementary probe which constrains this scenario.

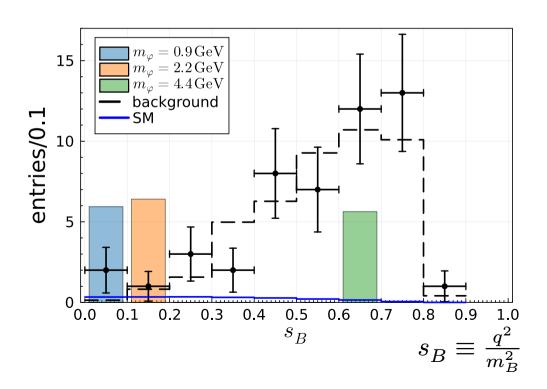
requires  $\Gamma_{\rm inv}\gtrsim 1~{\rm eV}$ 

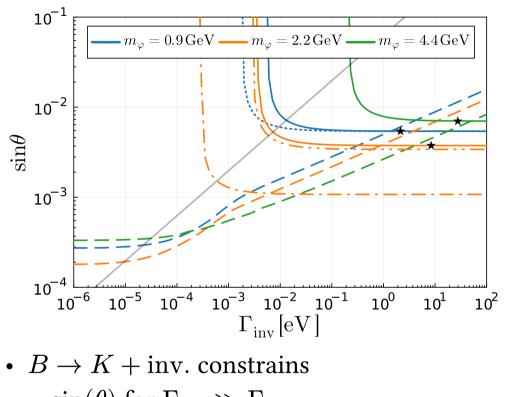
# Light GeV-scale scalar

[Ovchynnikov, MS, Schwetz 2306.09508]

# Light physics

- BaBar differential distribution
- 3 benchmark points with
  - ▶ masses 0.9, 2.2 and 4.4 GeV
  - $\Gamma_{inv} = 10 \text{ eV}$  and
  - $\sin\theta = 6 \cdot 10^{-3}$





- $\sin(\theta)$  for  $\Gamma_{inv} \gg \Gamma_{vis}$
- $\Gamma_{\rm inv}$  for  $\Gamma_{\rm inv} \ll \Gamma_{\rm vis}$
- +  $B \rightarrow K + \text{inv.}$  dominates for  $\Gamma_{\text{inv}} \gtrsim 1 \text{ eV}$

# Invisible decays to heavy neutral leptons

real scalar coupled to sterile neutrinos

$$\mathcal{L}=-\frac{1}{2}\overline{N^c}(\mu_N+y_N\varphi)N$$

Invisible Higgs decay constrains

$$\Gamma(\varphi \to NN) \lesssim 0.06 \left(\frac{10^{-2}}{\sin\theta}\right)^2 m_\varphi$$

Light physics

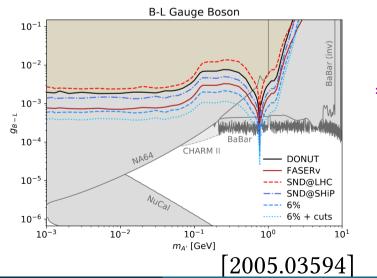
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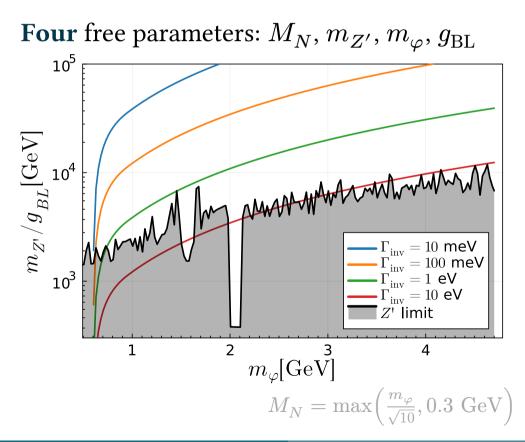
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 $B-L \bmod el$ 

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2}\overline{N^c}y_N\varphi N \ \rightarrow \ M_N = y_N\frac{v_\varphi}{\sqrt{2}}$$



# Light sterile neutrinos N $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} + NN$ $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} + N\nu$

# Light sterile neutrinos

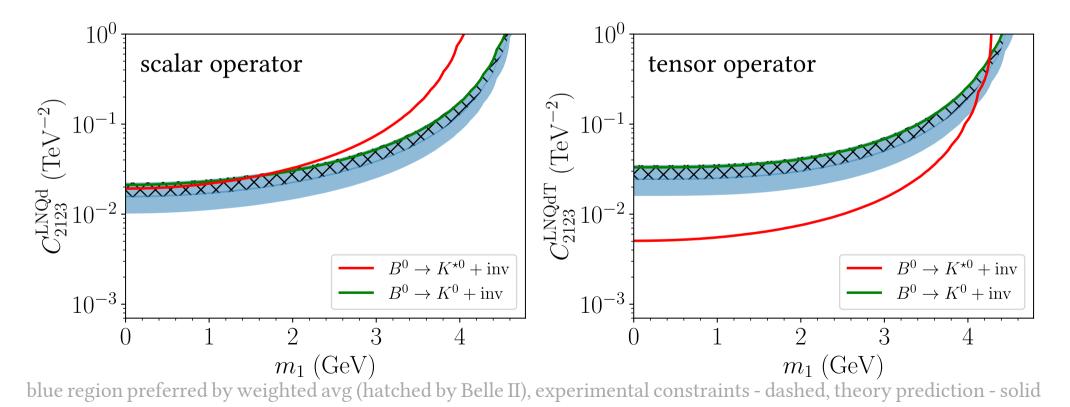
$$\mathcal{L} = C^{\mathrm{LNQd}} ig( \overline{L}^lpha N ig) arepsilon_{lpha eta} ig( \overline{Q}^eta d ig))$$

$$+ C^{\mathrm{LNQdT}} \left( \overline{L}^{\alpha} \sigma_{\mu\nu} N \right) \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} \left( \overline{Q}^{\beta} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu} d \right)$$

Wilson coeff. defined at  $\mu=1~{\rm TeV}$ 

[Felkl,Giri,Mohanta,MS 2309.02940]

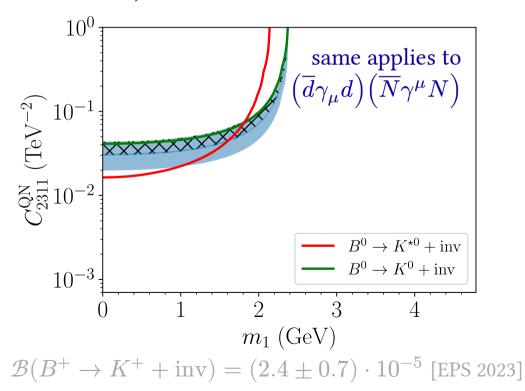
- $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ + \mathrm{inv}) = (2.4 \pm 0.7) \cdot 10^{-5}$  [EPS 2023]
- naive comparison of branching ratio
- scalar operator not constrained by  $B \to K^* + \mathrm{inv}$
- *tensor operator* strongly constrained by  $B \to K^* + inv$

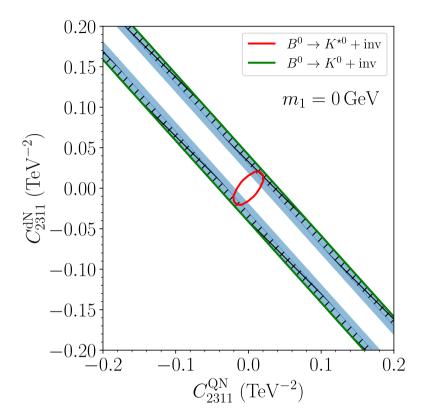


Light physics

# Light sterile neutrinos [Felkl,Giri,Mohanta,MS 2309.02940]

- $\mathcal{L} = C^{\rm QN} \left( \overline{Q} \gamma_{\mu} Q \right) \left( \overline{N} \gamma^{\mu} N \right) + C^{\rm dN} \left( \overline{d} \gamma_{\mu} d \right) \left( \overline{N} \gamma^{\mu} N \right)$
- Wilson coefficients defined at  $\mu = 1 \text{ TeV}$
- naive comparison of branching ratio
- $B \to K^* + \text{inv}$  constrains chiral vector operator at low mass,  $\rightarrow$  interference allows to avoid constraint





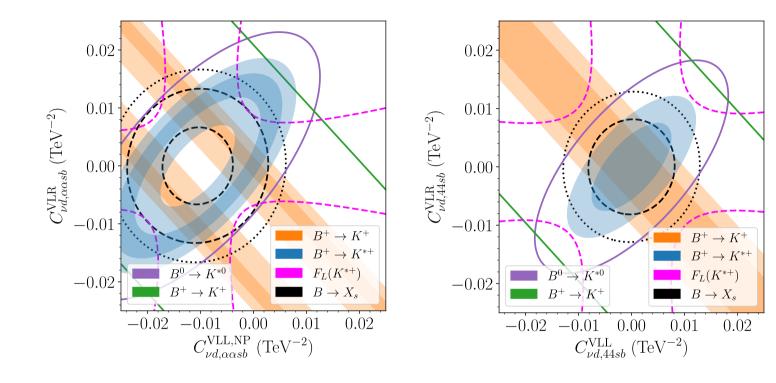
blue region preferred by weighted avg (hatched by Belle II), experimental constraints - dashed, theory prediction - solid

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# Complementarity

### [Felkl, Li, MS 2111.04327]

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## LEFT operators

 $\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_{\nu d,\alpha\alpha sb}^{\mathrm{VLX}} &= \\ & \left(\overline{\nu_{\alpha}}\gamma_{\mu}P_{L}\nu_{\alpha}\right)\left(\overline{s}\gamma^{\mu}P_{L,R}b\right) \end{aligned}$ 

- current constraints solid purple and green lines
- viable light (dark) regions if SM confirmed by Belle II with 5(50)ab<sup>-1</sup>
- black dotted (dashed)  $B \rightarrow X_s \nu \nu \quad {\rm with} \quad 50\% \end{tabular}$  (20%) precision

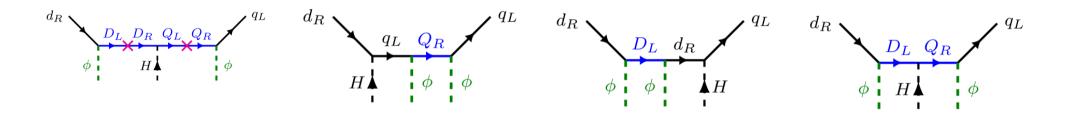
Different observables provide complementary probes

- Straight bands  $\mathcal{A} \propto |C_{\nu d, \alpha \alpha s b}^{\text{VLL}} + C_{\nu d, \alpha \alpha s b}^{\text{VLR}}|$
- Ellipses:  $\mathcal{A} \propto A(q^2) |C_{\nu d, \alpha \alpha s b}^{\text{VLL}} + C_{\nu d, \alpha \alpha s b}^{\text{VLR}}| + B(q^2) |C_{\nu d, \alpha \alpha s b}^{\text{VLL}} + C_{\nu d, \alpha \alpha s b}^{\text{VLR}}|$

# Light dark matter $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} + \text{DM DM}$

[He, Ma, MS, Valencia, Volkas 2403.12485] Light physics

- Real scalar  $\varphi \sim (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{0})_{-}$
- Scalar operator  $\mathcal{O}_{q\varphi}^{S,sb} = \frac{1}{2}(\overline{s}b)\varphi^2$  viable explanation for  $B^+ \to K^+ \nu \overline{\nu}$  with  $\Lambda \sim O(10 \text{ PeV})$ [Ma+ 2309.12741]
- UV completion: Introduce vector-like quarks  $Q \sim \left(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, \frac{1}{6}\right)$  and  $D \sim \left(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$

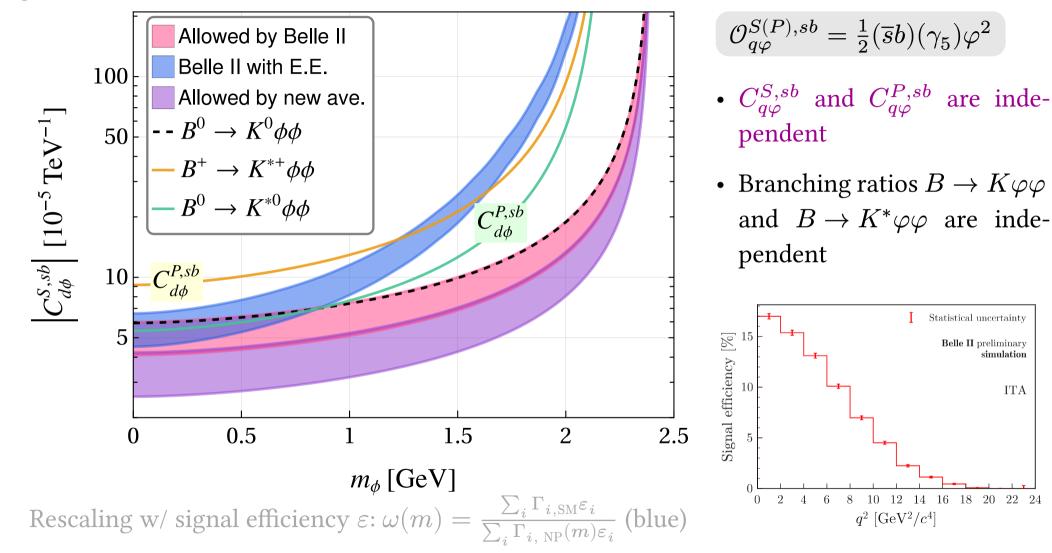


+ SMEFT  $\mathcal{L}\simeq \frac{y_q y_d y_1}{m_Q m_D} (\overline{q_L} d_R H) \varphi^2$ 

• LEFT 
$$C_{q\varphi}^{S(P),sb} \simeq \left(y_q^2 y_d^3 y_1 \pm y_q^{3*} y_d^{2*} y_1^*\right) \frac{v \,\mathcal{O}_{q\varphi}^{S(P),sb}}{\sqrt{2}m_Q m_D} \quad \text{with } \mathcal{O}_{q\varphi}^{S(P),sb} = \frac{1}{2} (\overline{s}(\gamma_5)b) \varphi^2$$

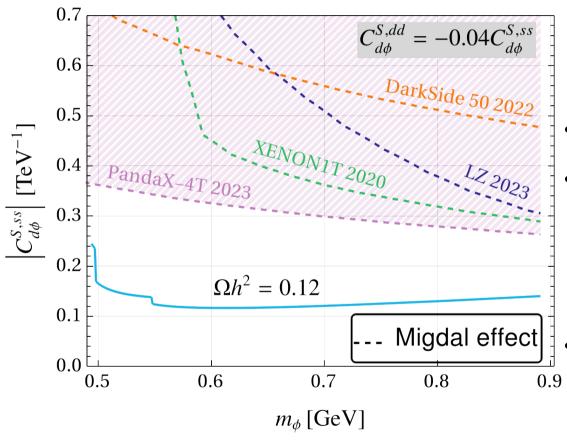
+  $C^{S,sb}_{q\varphi}$  and  $C^{P,sb}_{q\varphi}$  are independent

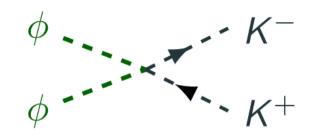
# [He, Ma, MS, Valencia, Volkas 2403.12485] Light physics



[He, Ma, MS, Valencia, Volkas 2403.12485]

- dark matter abundance set by annihilation to light mesons
- preferred DM mass range,  $500~{\rm MeV} < m_{\varphi} < 900~{\rm MeV}$





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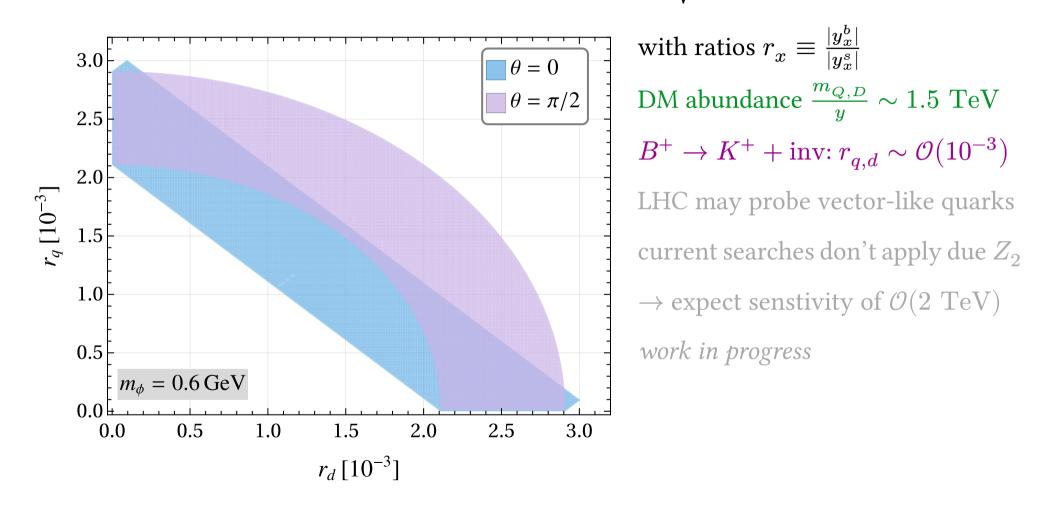
- Migdal effect allows to test DM
- PandaX-4T constrains Wilson coeff's

$$-0.07 \lesssim \frac{C_{d\varphi}^{S,dd}}{C_{d\varphi}^{S,ss}} \lesssim -0.02$$

Model will be further constrained by
 next generation DM direct detection experiments.

### [He, Ma, MS, Valencia, Volkas 2403.12485]

Wilson coefficients parametrized by  $|C_{d\varphi}^{S(P),sb}| \approx \frac{1}{2} |C_{d\varphi}^{S,ss}| \sqrt{r_d^2 + r_q^2 \pm 2r_d r_q \cos \theta}$ 



Light physics

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Thank you!

# Appendix

# UV completions of sterile neutrino operators

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UV completion of scalar operator – electroweak doublet  $\eta \sim (1, 2, -\frac{1}{2})$ 

$$\overline{L}N\eta + \overline{Q}\tilde{\eta}d \rightarrow \left(\overline{L}N\right)\left(\overline{Q}d\right) + \left(\overline{L}\gamma_{\mu}L\right)\left(\overline{N}\gamma^{\mu}N\right) + \left(\overline{Q}\gamma_{\mu}Q\right)\left(\overline{d}\gamma^{\mu}d\right)$$

constraints from

- $B_s \overline{B_s}$  mixing
- lepton flavour universality in  $\ell_i \rightarrow \ell_i + \text{invisible}$

UV completion of vector operator – leptoquarks

$$\widetilde{R_2} \sim \left( {f 3}, {f 2}, - rac{1}{6} 
ight)$$
  $S_1 \sim \left( {f 3}, {f 1} 
ight)$ 

$$\overline{Q}\widetilde{R_2}N \rightarrow \Bigl(\overline{Q}\gamma_\mu Q\Bigr)\Bigl(\overline{N}\gamma^\mu N\Bigr)$$

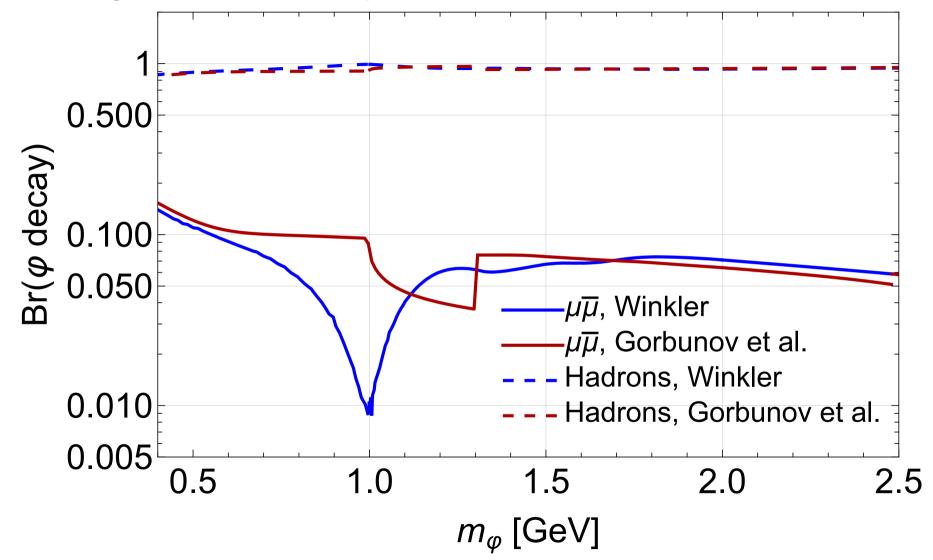
- could generate  $\mathcal{O}^{\{Ld\}}$
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$$S_1 \sim \left( {f 3}, {f 1}, {f 1} 
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$$\overline{N^c}S_1d \to \Bigl(\overline{d}\gamma_\mu d \Bigl) \Bigl(\overline{N}\gamma^\mu N \Bigr)$$

- could generate  $\mathcal{O}^{eu}$ ,  $\mathcal{O}^{LQ(1,3)}$ ,  $\mathcal{O}^{LeQu}(1,3)$
- $B_{s} \overline{B_{s}}$  mixing only at 1-loop

# **Branching ratio uncertainty**



Appendix