

Rare Decays at LHCb

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Outline

- LHCb aims to study rare decays in three areas:
- 1) Very rare decays (this talk)
 - $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $B_d \rightarrow \mu\mu$
 - Lepton Flavour Violation
 - Baryon Number Violation
 - Rare D decays
- 2) Radiative decays (this talk)
 - Study of the photon polarisation
- 3) Electroweak penguin decays (see C. Langenbruch's talk tomorrow)

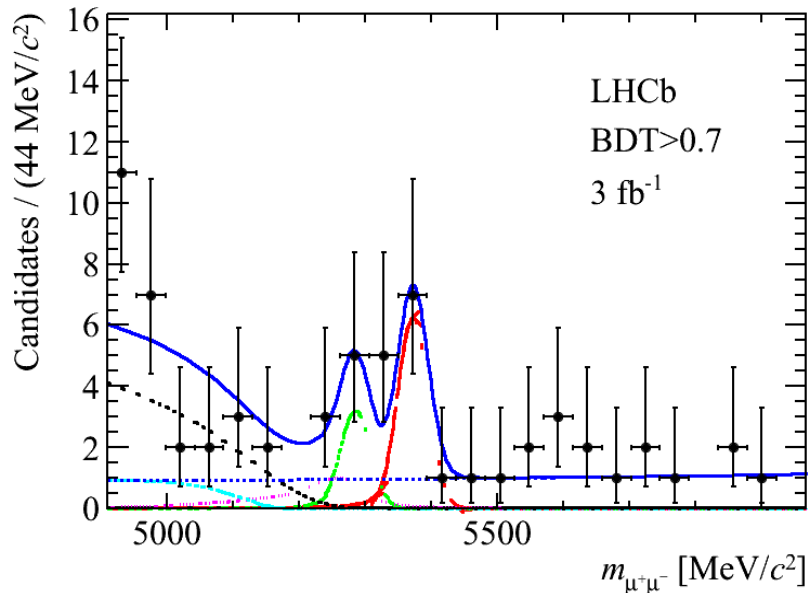
LHCb results (past and present)

- BR $B_{d,s} \rightarrow \mu\mu$ (4 papers + 5 conf-note) [Phys. Rev. Lett. 08 (2013) 117]
- Ratio of BR $(B \rightarrow K^* \gamma) / (B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma)$ [Nucl. Phys. B 867 (2012) 1-18]
- BR of $B_{d,s} \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu\mu$ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 110 (2013) 1528276]
- BR $B \rightarrow \pi\mu\mu$ and $B \rightarrow D\mu\mu$ [Phys. Rev. D 85 (2012) 112004]
- BR $K_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ [JHEP 01 (2013) 090]
- BR $D \rightarrow \mu\mu$ [Phys. Lett. B 725 (2013) 15-24]
- BR $D_{(s)} \rightarrow \pi\mu\mu$ [Phys. Lett. B 724 (2013) 203-212]
- BR $B_{d,s} \rightarrow e\mu$ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 102 (2009) 201801]
- BR of $\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$ [Phys. Lett. B 724 (2013) 36-45]
- BR of $\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$ [Phys. Lett. B 724 (2013) 36-45]
- Asymmetry in $B \rightarrow K\pi\pi\gamma$ [LHCb-CONF-2013-009]

Measurement of $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and search for $B_d \rightarrow \mu\mu$

$B_{d,s} \rightarrow \mu\mu$ updated result

- Update of the analysis with the full data sample of 3 fb^{-1} .



[Phys. Rev. Lett. 08 (2013) 117]

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (2.9_{-1.0}^{+1.1}(\text{stat})_{-0.1}^{+0.3}(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-9}, \quad 4\sigma$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.7_{-2.1}^{+2.4}(\text{stat})_{-0.4}^{+0.6}(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-10} \quad 2\sigma$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) < 7.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ at } 95\% \text{ CL}$$

In good agreement within the current uncertainty with the SM predictions.
Keeps on providing strong constraints in NP scenarios.

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.56 \pm 0.30) \times 10^{-9} \quad [\text{Eur. Phys. J C72 (2012) 2172}]$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (1.07 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-10} \quad [\text{Phys. Rev. Lett. 109 (2012) 041801}]$$

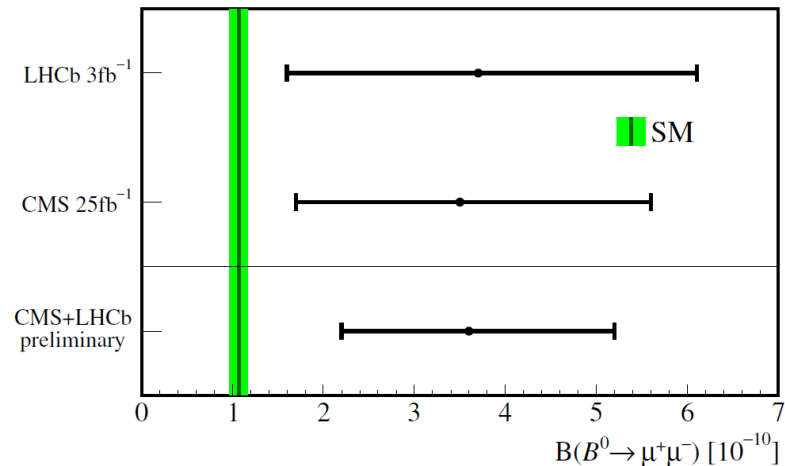
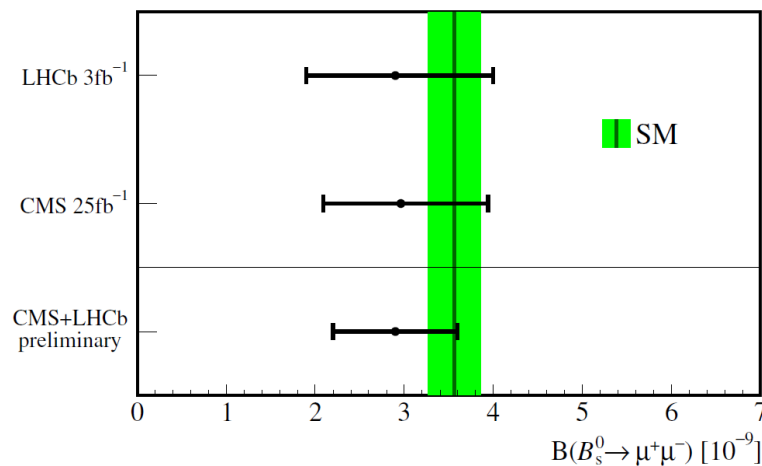
$B_{d,s} \rightarrow \mu\mu$ combination with CMS

- Combination of CMS results for $B_{d,s} \rightarrow \mu\mu$ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 101804]
- Taking into account the common sources of uncertainties, the combined limits are

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (2.9 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-9}, > 5\sigma$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.6^{+1.6}_{-1.4}) \times 10^{-10}, < 3\sigma$$

[LHCb-CONF-2013-012, CMS-PAS-BPH-13-007]



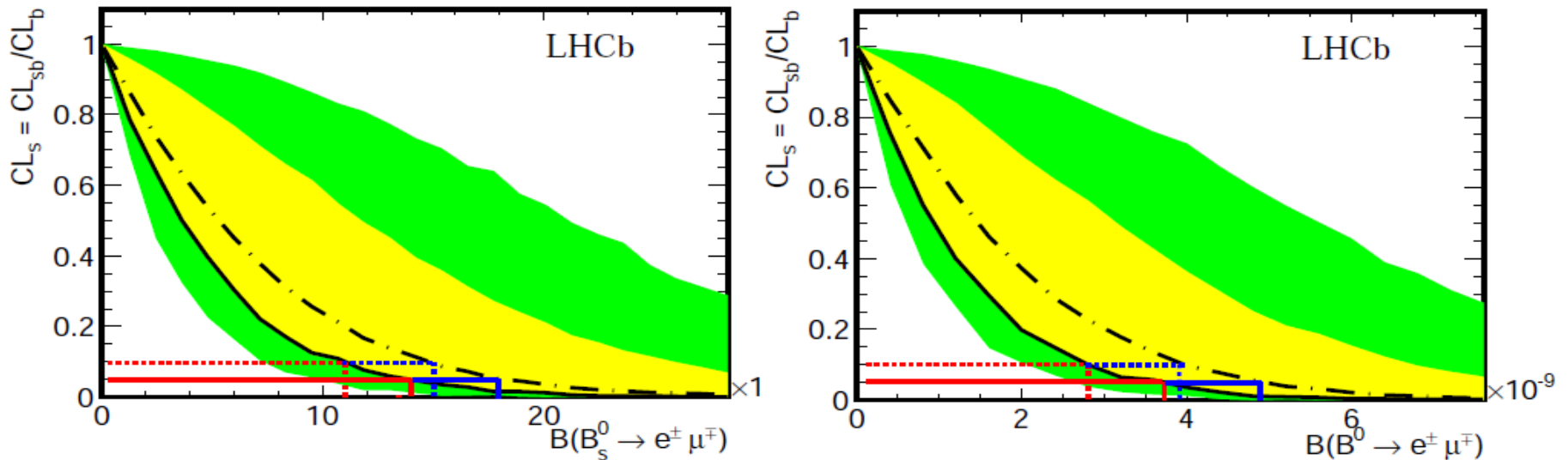
LHCb will now focus on measuring the ratio $BR(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) / BR(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$

Lepton Flavour Violating decays

Results on $B_{d,s} \rightarrow e\mu$

Using 1 fb^{-1} of data from 2011 at 7 TeV

[Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 141801]



$$B(B_s^0 \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp) < 1.1(1.4) \times 10^{-8} \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ CL}$$

$$B(B^0 \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp) < 2.8(3.7) \times 10^{-8} \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ CL}$$

Limits on BR 20 times smaller than previous results from CDF

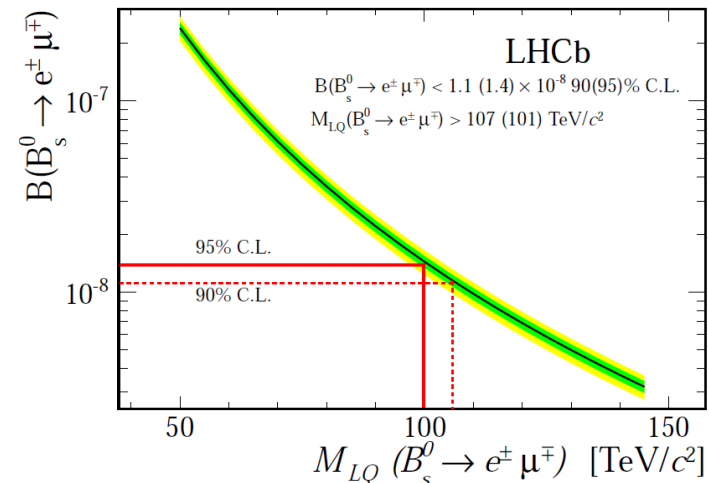
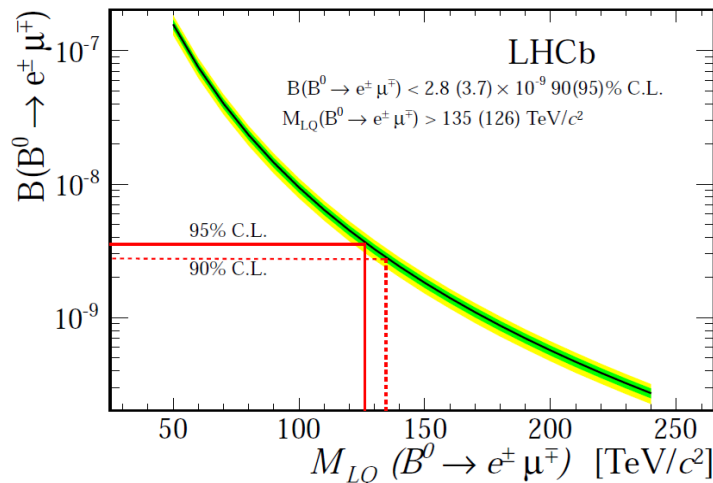
[Phys. Rev. Lett. 102 (2009) 201801]

Lepton Flavour Violation interpretations

- 1) Pati-Salam leptoquarks.
 - GPD limits in range [0.4 – 0.9] TeV **same generation couplings**

ATLAS [Eur. Phys. J. C72 (2012) 2151, Phys. Lett. B 709 (2012) 158, JHEP 06 (2013) 033], CMS [Phys. Rev. D 86 (2012) 052013, JHEP 12 (2012) 055, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110 (2013) 081801]

- LHCb looks for couplings of **different generations.**



- **How do the two sets of measurements compare?**

- 2) 2HDM model of type III (LFV Higgs decays)
- Plan to study $B \rightarrow \tau \mu$, $B \rightarrow \tau e$: **at which level are they ruled out by $\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$, $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$, electron EDM limits?**

LFV in τ decays

- BSM models predict that the amount of LFV in τ decays is larger than in μ decays. [Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci 58 (2008) 315]
- Latest MEG result $\mathcal{B}(\mu^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm \gamma) < 5.7 \times 10^{-13}$ at 90% CL [arXiv:1303.0754] dramatically constrains the phase-space of physics BSM.
- **What can we learn from LFV τ decays?** (see talk by P. Paradisi)

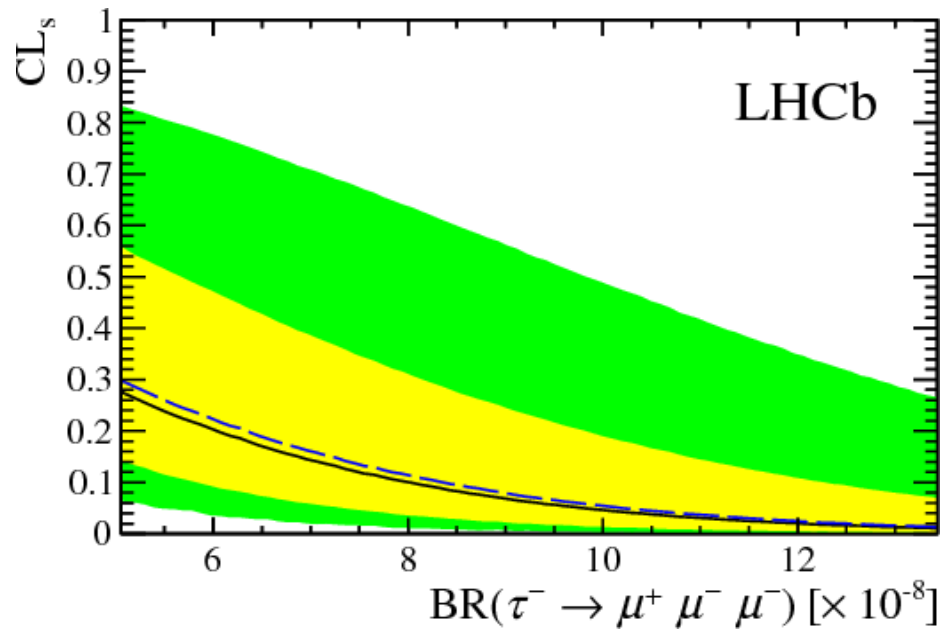
Model	$\tau \rightarrow l\gamma$	$\tau \rightarrow lll$
SM with lepton CKM	10^{-40}	10^{-14}
SM with left-handed heavy Dirac neutrino	$< 10^{-18}$	$< 10^{-18}$
SM with right-handed heavy Majorana neutrino	$< 10^{-9}$	$< 10^{-10}$
SM with left- and right-handed neutral singlets	10^{-8}	10^{-9}
MSSM with right-handed heavy Majorana neutrino	10^{-10}	10^{-9}
MSSM with seesaw	10^{-7}	
left-right SUSY	10^{-10}	10^{-10}
SUSY SO(10)	10^{-8}	
SUSY-GUT	10^{-8}	
SUSY with neutral Higgs	10^{-10}	$10^{-10} - 10^{-7}$
SUSY with Higgs triplet		10^{-7}
gauge mediated SUSY breaking	10^{-8}	
MSSM with universal soft SUSY breaking	10^{-7}	10^{-9}
MSSM with non-universal soft SUSY breaking	10^{-10}	10^{-6}
Non universal Z' (technicolor)	10^{-9}	10^{-8}
two Higgs doublet III	10^{-15}	10^{-17}
seesaw with extra dimensions	10^{-11}	

[arXiv:hep-ph/0503261]
and references therein

Result on $\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$

Using 1fb^{-1} of data collected at 7 TeV.

[Phys. Lett. B 724 (2013) 36-45]



$$\mathcal{B}(\tau^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\mp \mu^\pm) < 8.0(9.8) \times 10^{-8} \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ C.L.}$$

$\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$ limit is comparable with previous results $< 2.1 \times 10^{-8}$ at 90% CL from Belle [Phys. Lett. B 687 (2010) 139].

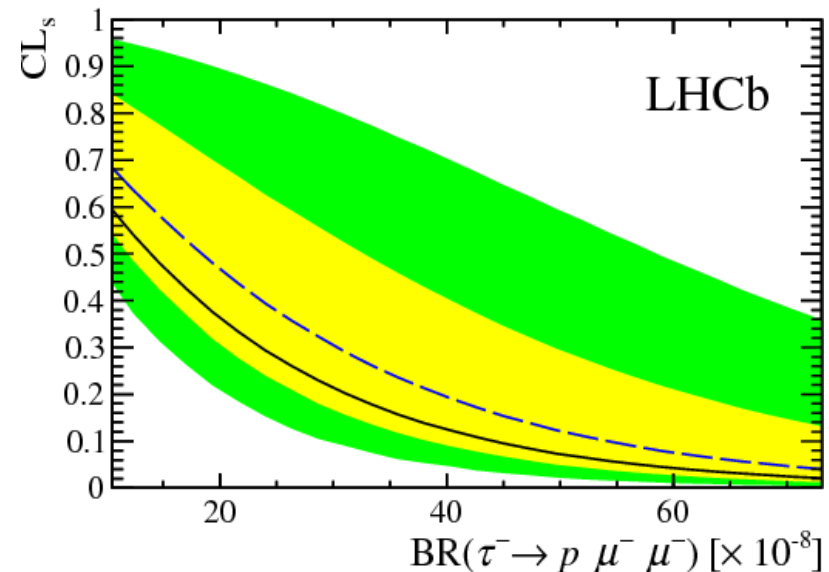
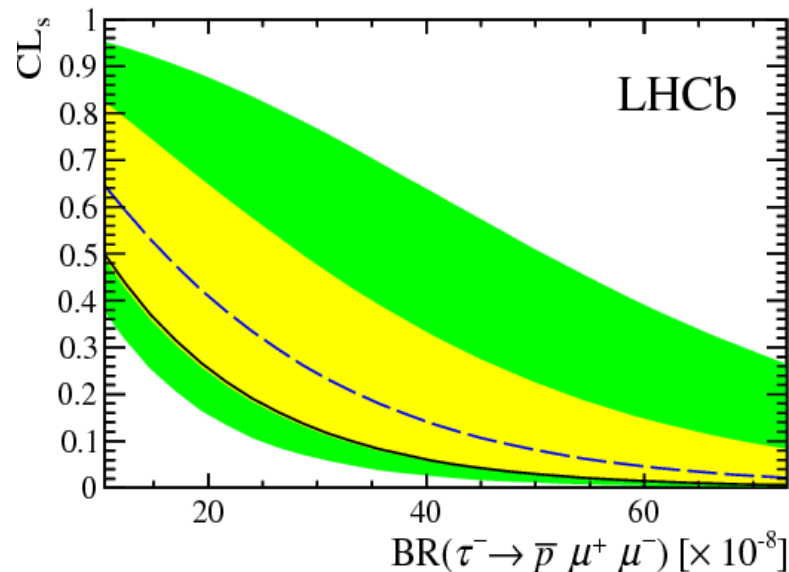
Conservatively, the limit evolves with $\sqrt{L} \rightarrow$ competitive by end 2018.

Search for baryon number violating τ decays

Results $\tau^- \rightarrow \bar{p} \mu^+ \mu^-$ and $\tau^- \rightarrow p \mu^- \mu^-$

Using 1fb^{-1} of data collected at 7 TeV

[Phys. Lett. B 724 (2013) 36-45]



$$\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow \bar{p} \mu^+ \mu^-) < 3.3(4.3) \times 10^{-7} \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ C.L.}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow p \mu^- \mu^-) < 4.4(5.7) \times 10^{-7} \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ C.L.}$$

First limits in $\tau^- \rightarrow \bar{p} \mu^+ \mu^-$ and $\tau^- \rightarrow p \mu^- \mu^-$

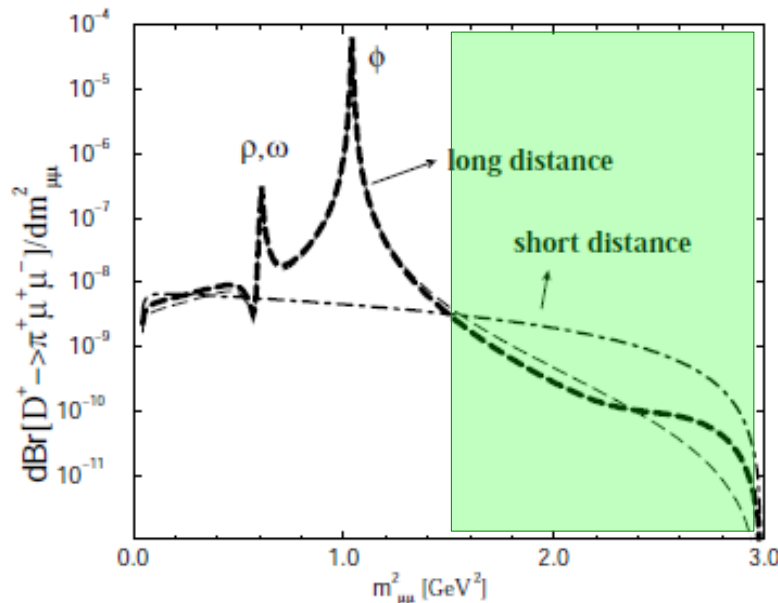
No evidence of baryon number violation.

Does the proton lifetime measurement already rule out decays like $\tau \rightarrow p \mu \mu$?

Search for rare D decays

Rare D decays

- Search for non-resonant $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ with 1fb^{-1} of 2011 data at 7 TeV. Will prove the FCNC $c \rightarrow u l^+ l^-$ transition.
- The SM predicts it to be $O(10^{-9})$, $b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$ $O(10^{-7})$, $s \rightarrow d l^+ l^-$ $O(10^{-8})$.
- Dominated by long distance contribution around the V-meson resonance masses (ρ, ω, ϕ). Short distance contribution present at large di- μ masses.



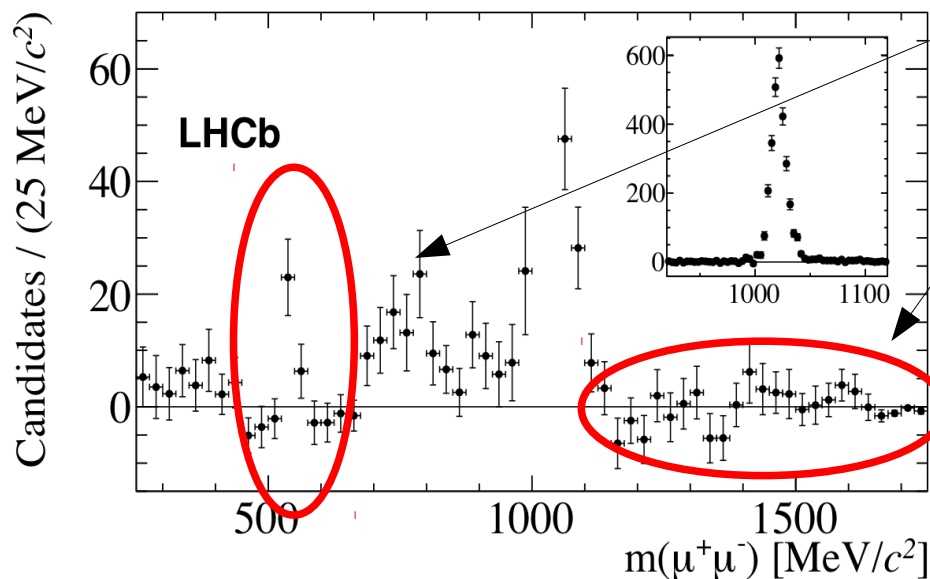
Region where
FCNC dominates

[Phys. Rev. D 64
(2001) 114009]

Limit on BR

- Candidates are split in 5 bins of $m(\mu\mu)$. The most relevant are the first [250-525] MeV and last [1250-2000] MeV.

[Phys. Lett. B 724 (2013) 203-212]



Significance of 6.1σ
for $D \rightarrow \pi\eta$

No excess of candidates
seen in the high di- μ
mass region.

$$\mathcal{B}(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-) < 7.3(8.3) \times 10^{-8} \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ CL}$$

Factor **50** improvement in the limit wrt D0 result

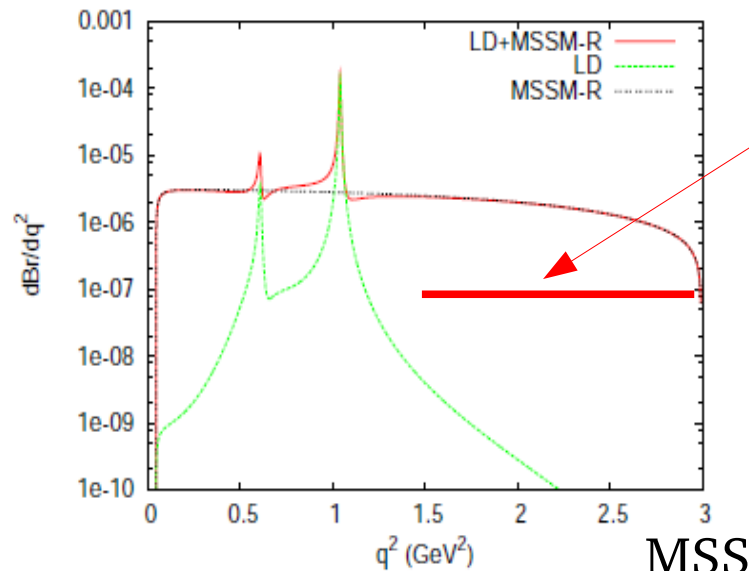
[Phys. Rev. Lett. 100 (2008) 101801].

Constraints on NP

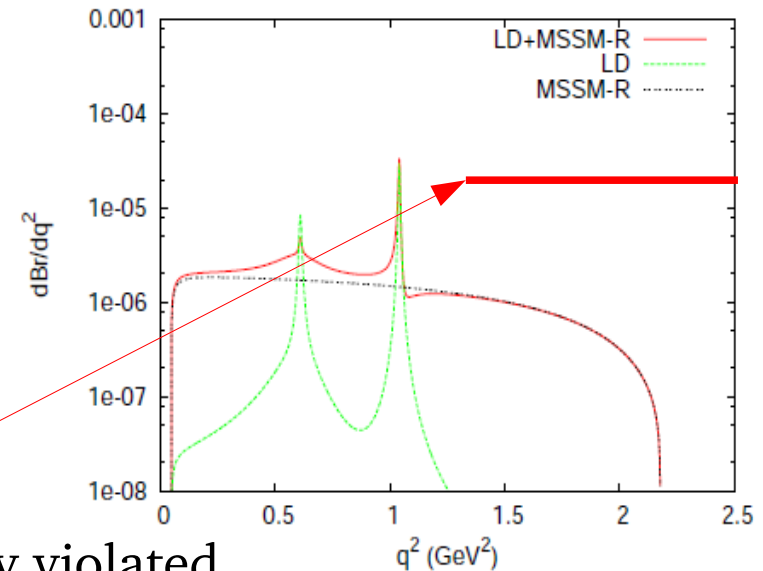
$$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$$

[Phys. Rev. D 76 (2007) 074010]

$$D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$$



LHCb result



BaBar result

MSSM with R parity violated

Current limit on $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ is from BaBar with $\sim 80\%$ of the total data sample

$$BR < 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ at } 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

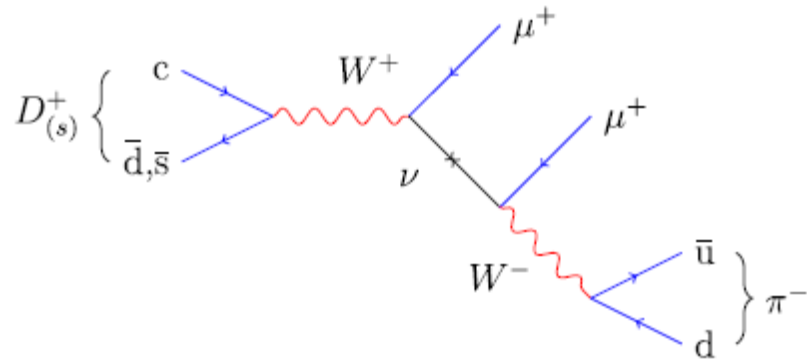
[Phys. Rev. D 84 (2011) 072006]

What do we learn more in studying the $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay with respect to the $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ one? (See talk by N. Kosnik)

Search for Lepton Number Violating decays

Majorana neutrinos in D decays

Search for same-sign muons in the decay $D_{(s)}^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$ \rightarrow Lepton Number Violating decay that can be mediated via a Majorana neutrino.



Using 1fb-1 of data at 7 TeV LHCb sets these limits to [Phys. Lett. B 724 (2013) 203-212]

$$\mathcal{B}(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+) < 2.2(2.5) \times 10^{-8} \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ CL}$$

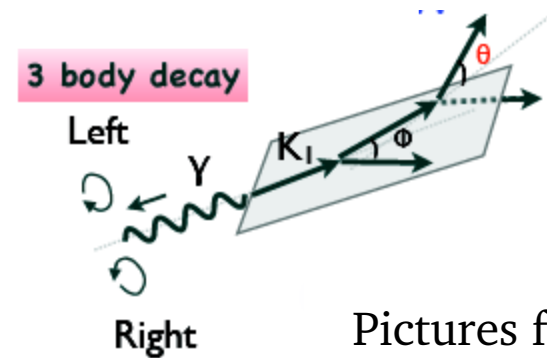
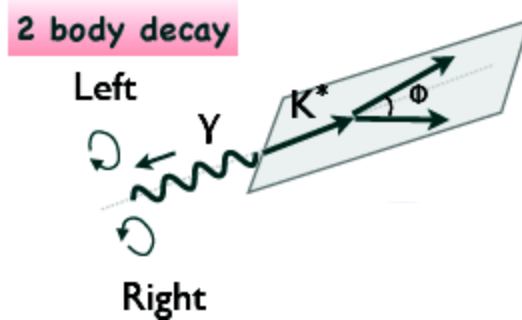
$$\mathcal{B}(D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+) < 1.2(1.4) \times 10^{-7} \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ CL}$$

A factor 100 lower than previous BaBar limits [Phys. Rev. D 84 (2011) 072006]

Photon polarisation in $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ decays

The importance of the 3-body

- Probe the photon polarisation in the transition $b \rightarrow s\gamma$.
- In the SM, photons are predominantly left-handed, although never confirmed experimentally.



Pictures from E. Kou

Two-body decays are symmetric along the helicity axis. No left-right distinction.

Three-body decays can make an angle wrt the helicity axis.

- The average value of the triple product $\vec{p}_\gamma \cdot (\vec{p}_1 \times \vec{p}_2)$ has one sign for left-handed photons and the opposite for right-handed.

Photon polarisation

- The amplitude of the process and the photon polarisation are defined as

$$|A(\bar{B} \rightarrow \bar{K}_1 \gamma, \bar{K}_1 \rightarrow \bar{K} \pi \pi)|^2 = |c_L|^2 |\mathcal{M}_L|^2 + |c_R|^2 |\mathcal{M}_R|^2$$

$$\lambda_\gamma = \frac{|c_R|^2 - |c_L|^2}{|c_R|^2 + |c_L|^2} = \frac{|\mathcal{C}'_{7\gamma}|^2 - |\mathcal{C}_{7\gamma}|^2}{|\mathcal{C}'_{7\gamma}|^2 + |\mathcal{C}_{7\gamma}|^2}$$

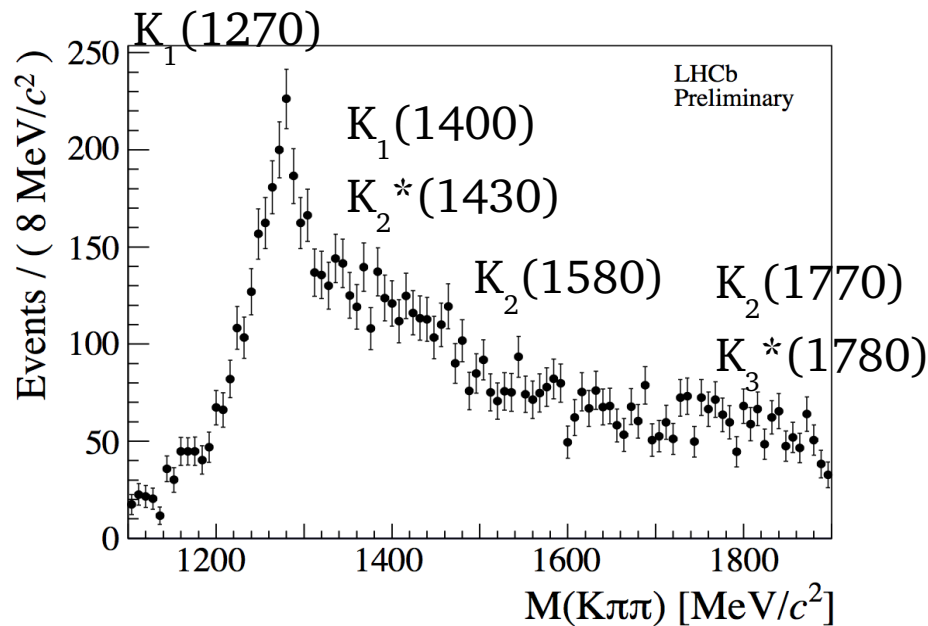
- The decay distribution for $B \rightarrow K_1 (K\pi\pi) \gamma$ is given by:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{ds_{13} ds_{23} d\cos\theta} \propto \frac{1}{4} |\vec{J}^2| (1 + \cos^2 \theta) + \frac{\lambda_\gamma}{2} \text{Im}(\hat{n} \cdot (\vec{J} \times \vec{J}^*)) \cos \theta$$

The polarisation information is not only in the **angular distribution**, but also on the **Dalitz distribution**. (see talk by E. Kou)

This is true **if and only if** there is only **one** single resonance. With more resonances strong theoretical input is needed.

$K\pi\pi$ mass spectra



Can't isolate individual components.
The measurement must be **inclusive**.

Restrict the analysis to the regions
[1100,1300] MeV + [1400-1600] MeV

Define the Up-Down asymmetry for
one single resonance as

$$A_{ud} \equiv \frac{\int_0^1 d\cos\tilde{\theta} \frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\tilde{\theta}} - \int_{-1}^0 d\cos\tilde{\theta} \frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\tilde{\theta}}}{\int_{-1}^1 d\cos\tilde{\theta} \frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\tilde{\theta}}} = \frac{3}{4} \lambda_\gamma \frac{\int ds ds_{13} ds_{23} \text{Im} [\vec{n} \cdot \vec{\mathcal{J}} \times \vec{\mathcal{J}}^*]}{\int ds ds_{13} ds_{23} |\mathcal{J}|^2}$$

Photon polarisation

Helicity amplitude (from theory)

How is the up-down asymmetry related to the polarisation for more than one resonance?

Mass fits and result

- Simultaneous fit to 4 event categories: photon direction (up, down) and charge (+,-).

[LHCb-CONF-2013-009]

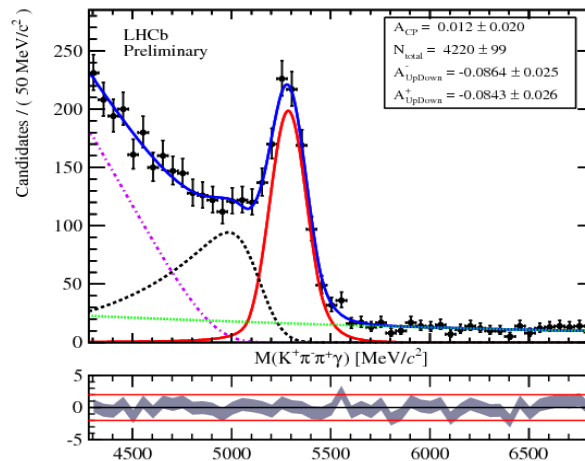
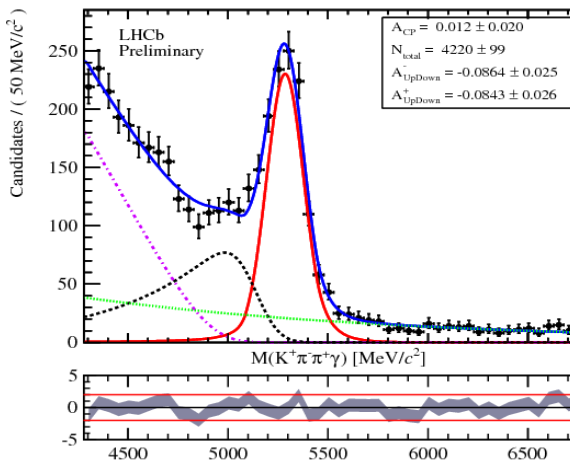
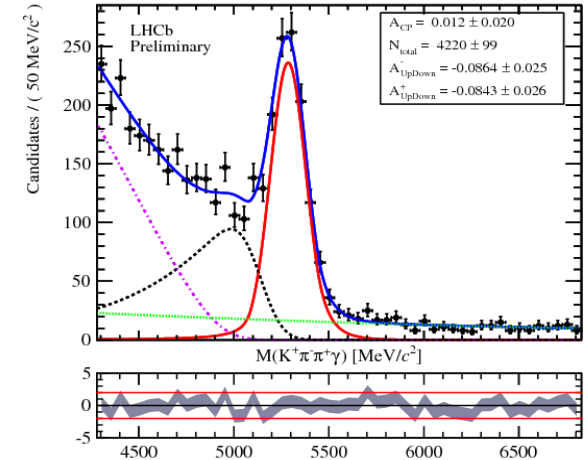
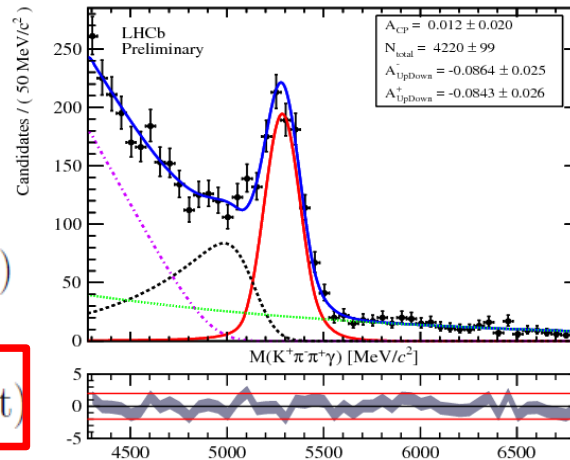
$$\mathcal{A}^+ = -0.084 \pm 0.026 \text{ (stat)} \begin{matrix} +0.004 \\ -0.003 \end{matrix} \text{ (syst)},$$

$$\mathcal{A}^- = -0.086 \pm 0.025 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.002 \text{ (syst)}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{ud}} = -0.085 \pm 0.019 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.003 \text{ (syst)}$$

4.6 σ significance wrt to 0.
First evidence of the photon to be polarised.

Update with full dataset is foreseen in short time \rightarrow expect 5 σ observation.



LHCb measurements (the future) ~ 1 year

- Combination of $\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$ with CMS.
- Search for $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ [will appear shortly in arXiv]
- Optimised measurement for $\text{BR}(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) / \text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$.
- Search for $\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)$ and LFV $\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \tau^+ \mu^-)$, $\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \tau^+ e^-)$
- Search for $\Lambda_b \rightarrow K^+ \mu^-$
- Search for $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p \mu^+ \mu^-$
- Search for Majorana neutrinos in $B^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$ decays (update with 3fb^{-1})
- Study the photon polarisation in $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ and in $B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$
- Simultaneous BR measurements $B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$, $B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$, $B \rightarrow \rho \gamma$, $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^* \gamma$
- Rare K_s decays ($K_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$, $K_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$, $K_s \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-$, etc..)
- **Other suggestions?**

Wrapping up the questions

- In the Pati-Salam framework, how the results from GPD (same generation couplings) and LHCb (different generation couplings) compare?
- Plan to study $B \rightarrow \tau \mu$, $B \rightarrow \tau e$: at which level are they ruled out by $\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$, $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$, electron EDM limits?
- What can we learn from LFV τ decays?
- Does the proton lifetime measurement already rule out decays like $\tau \rightarrow \mu \mu \mu$?
- What else do we learn in studying the $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay with respect to the $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ one?
- For the photon polarization, how to interpret up-down asymmetry when multiple resonances are present? Any suggestions for cleaner measurements?
- Suggestions on other worth-studying decays.