

Lepton Flavor Violation in Exclusive $b \rightarrow s$ Decays

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Introduction

- Lepton Flavor Universality (**LFU**) is not a fundamental symmetry of the SM: **accidental** in the gauge sector and **broken by Yukawas**.
- LFU tested in pion and kaon decays – agrees very well with the SM
⇒ *To be improved by NA62.*
- Renewed interest in LFUV motivated by the recently found *conflict between theory and experiment* in

$$R_{D^{(*)}} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau\bar{\nu})}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\ell\bar{\nu})}, \quad \text{and} \quad R_K = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+\mu\mu)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ee)} \Big|_{q^2 \in (1,6) \text{ GeV}^2}$$

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[2σ]*

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- Is there a **model of NP** to explain these anomalies?
- What additional **experimental signatures** should we expect?

In general, $R_K \neq 1 \Leftrightarrow \text{LFUV} \Rightarrow \text{Lepton Flavor Violation (LFV)}$.

[Glashow et al, 2014.]

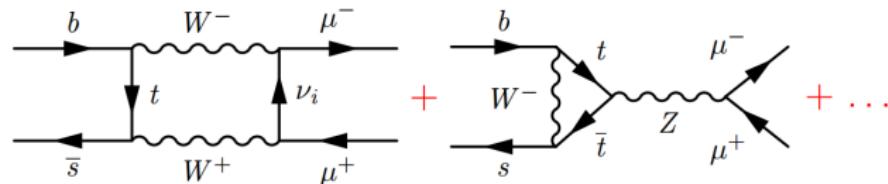
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LFU violation

(i) $b \rightarrow s\mu^+\mu^-$

- FCNC process:



- Form-factors cancel out in the ratio \Rightarrow **Extremely clean prediction**.

$$R_K \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu\mu)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ ee)} \Bigg|_{q^2 \in (1,6) \text{ GeV}^2} \stackrel{\text{SM}}{=} 1.003(1)$$

[Hiller, Kruger 2003]

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- Instead, $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ ee)_{q^2 \in [1,6]}$ agrees with the SM, whereas

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu\mu)_{q^2 \in [1,6] \text{ GeV}^2}^{\text{exp}} = (1.19 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-7}$$
$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu\mu)_{q^2 \in [1,6] \text{ GeV}^2}^{\text{SM}} = (1.75_{-0.29}^{+0.60}) \times 10^{-7}$$

- $\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$ is slightly smaller than the SM:

$$\overline{\mathcal{B}}(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu)^{\text{LHCb+CMS}} = (2.8_{-0.6}^{+0.7}) \times 10^{-9} \quad \overline{\mathcal{B}}(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu)^{\text{Atlas}} = (0.9_{-0.8}^{+1.1}) \times 10^{-9}$$
$$\overline{\mathcal{B}}(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu)^{\text{SM}} = (3.65 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-9}$$

- Anomalies in $B \rightarrow K^*\mu^+\mu^-$ angular distributions \Rightarrow yesterday talks.

Explaining R_K

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EFT approach

If the LFUV takes place at scales well above EWSB, then use OPE:

- Operators relevant to $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ are

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{O}_9^{(\prime)} &= (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_{L(R)} b)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \ell), & \mathcal{O}_{10}^{(\prime)} &= (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_{L(R)} b)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \ell), \\ \mathcal{O}_S^{(\prime)} &= (\bar{s}P_{R(L)} b)(\bar{\ell}\ell), & \mathcal{O}_P^{(\prime)} &= (\bar{s}P_{R(L)} b)(\bar{\ell}\gamma_5 \ell), \\ \mathcal{O}_7^{(\prime)} &= (\bar{s}\sigma_{\mu\nu} P_{R(L)} b)F^{\mu\nu} \quad \dots\end{aligned}$$

- To explain $R_K < 1$, one needs effective coefficients $C_9^{(\prime)}$, $C_{10}^{(\prime)}$ different from the SM values.
- Compatible with results based on the global fits of $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ data.

[Straub et al. 2014, Descotes-Genon et al. 2015, Hurth et al. 2016]

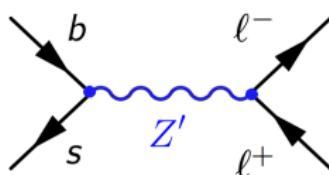
Are there **specific models** capable of generating $C_{9,10}^{(\prime)}$ to explain R_K ?

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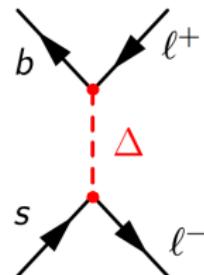
Specific Models

Representative models:

Z' models



Leptoquark models



Buras et al., Altmannshofer et al.,
Crivellin et al., Celis et al. ...

Hiller et al., Becirevic et al.,
Gripaios et al. ...

- Vector leptoquark models also plausible, but non-renormalizable
[problematic, how to compute loops? $B_s - \bar{B}_s$ constraint?]

Barbieri et al., Fajfer et al.

- Interesting feature: **LFV** is in general **expected**.

Explaining R_K : Illustration

Scalar Leptoquark Models

Analysis of the separate modes: data **prefers** to decrease $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu\mu)$.

⇒ Let us focus on NP with couplings **only to muons**

[although couplings to electrons are also possible, cf. Hiller, Schmaltz 2014]

Representation under $SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$:

- $(3, 2)_{7/6}$: Increases $B \rightarrow K\mu^+\mu^-$ $(C_9)_{\mu\mu} = (C_{10})_{\mu\mu}$ $\bar{Q}\Delta^{(7/6)}\ell_R$
- **$(3, 2)_{1/6}$: Decreases $B \rightarrow K\mu^+\mu^-$** $(C'_9)_{\mu\mu} = -(C'_{10})_{\mu\mu}$ $\bar{L}\widetilde{\Delta}^{(1/6)}d_R$
- $(\bar{3}, 3)_{1/3}$ and $(3, 1)_{4/3} \Rightarrow$ Proton destabilizes

[Kosnik, 2012]

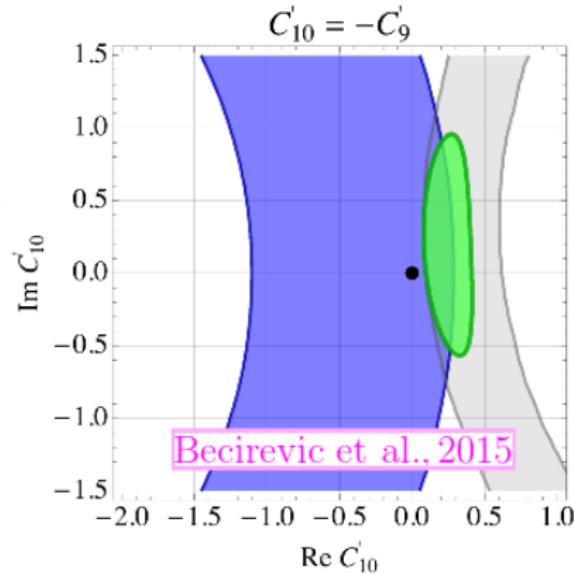
NB. Convention: $Q = T_3 + Y$.

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Scalar Leptoquark $(3, 2)_{1/6}$

1st step: Wilson coefficients fit.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \text{ and } \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu\mu)_{\text{high } q^2} \\ \Rightarrow (C'_{10})_{\mu\mu} = -(C'_{9})_{\mu\mu} \in (0.19, 0.52) \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{R}_K^{\text{pred}} = \mathbf{0.88(8)}.\end{aligned}$$



Model independent prediction: $\mathbf{R}_{K^*} = 1.11(8)$

[RH quark currents imply $R_{K^*} > 1$]

[Hiller, Schmaltz 2014]

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2nd step: Model dependent interpretation.

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = Y_{ij} \bar{L}_{Li} \tilde{\Delta}^{(1/6)} d_{Rj} + \text{h.c.}$$

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How can we probe the couplings to τ 's?

- $\tau \rightarrow \mu \phi$ is an useful constraint
- **LFV in $B_{(s)}$ decays!**

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General Considerations

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- Let us focus on scenarios with $C_{9,10}^{(\prime)} \neq 0$ (SLQ and Z').
- $C_{S,P}^{(\prime)} \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ We used CMS hint $\mathcal{B}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) = 0.83(38)\%$ to fix the couplings and obtained that LFV in B decays is too small ($\lesssim 10^{-13}$).

LFV in $b \rightarrow s\ell_1\ell_2$

General Considerations

[Becirevic et al. 1602.0081]

- **Attention:** $i\partial_\mu(\bar{\ell}_1\gamma^\mu\ell_2) = (\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1)\bar{\ell}_1\ell_2 \neq 0$

⇒ New contributions appear in the LFV modes

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \ell_1^- \ell_2^+) &\propto [m_{B_s}^2 - (m_1 + m_2)^2] (\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)^2 \cdot |C_9 - C'_9|^2 \\ &+ [m_{B_s}^2 - (\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)^2] (m_1 + m_2)^2 \cdot |C_{10} - C'_{10}|^2\end{aligned}$$

- $C_9^{(\prime)} = -C_{10}^{(\prime)} \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ Hierarchy between modes:

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \ell_1 \ell_2) < \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \ell_1 \ell_2) < \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \ell_1 \ell_2)$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \mu \tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \mu \tau)} \approx 1.8, \quad \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \mu \tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \mu \tau)} \approx 1.25.$$

- **Important:** Limits on one exclusive LFV mode can set constraints on the others.

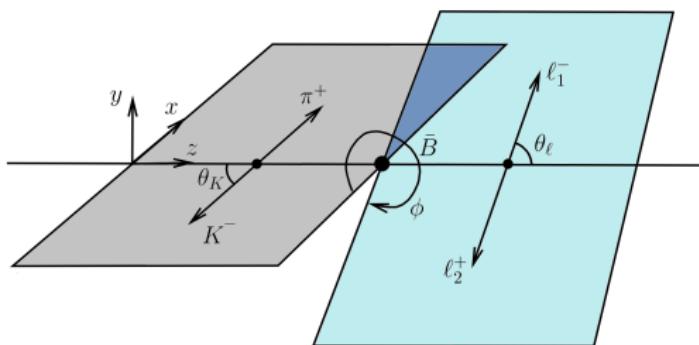
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Clarifying the Angular Conventions in $\bar{B} \rightarrow \bar{K}^*\ell\ell$

[Becirevic et al. 1602.0081]

- Most theory papers do not provide the full angular conventions for $\bar{B} \rightarrow \bar{K}^*\ell\ell$ [ambiguity in the definition of ϕ].
- We adopt the conventions of [Gratrex et al., 2015] \equiv LHCb and find full agreement for $I_i(q^2)$.

K^* rest frame:



$$p_K^\mu = (E_K, \hat{\mathbf{p}}_K |p_K|), \quad p_\pi^\mu = (E_\pi, -\hat{\mathbf{p}}_K |p_K|),$$

with $\hat{\mathbf{p}}_K = (-\sin \theta_K, 0, -\cos \theta_K)$.

Dilepton rest frame:

$$p_1^\mu = (E_\alpha, \hat{\mathbf{p}}_\ell |p_\ell|), \quad p_2^\mu = (E_\beta, -\hat{\mathbf{p}}_\ell |p_\ell|),$$

with $\hat{\mathbf{p}}_\ell = (\sin \theta_\ell \cos \phi, -\sin \theta_\ell \sin \phi, \cos \theta_\ell)$.

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Helicity Formalism for $m_1 \neq m_2$

- LFC case ($m_1 = m_2$) – $A_{\parallel,\perp,0}^{L,R}$ and $A_{S,P}$:

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Going from LFC to LFV:

$$A_t = \lim_{m_1 \rightarrow m_2} (A_t^L - A_t^R), \quad A_S = \lim_{m_1 \rightarrow m_2} \left[\frac{m_1 - m_2}{\sqrt{q^2}} (A_t^L + A_t^R) \right]$$

NB. The singularity in $m_1 = m_2$ cancels out in $I_t(q^2)$.

LFV in $b \rightarrow s\mu\tau$

Scalar Leptoquark $(3, 2)_{1/6}$

Maximally allowed value lies just below the BaBar limit: $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+\mu\tau) \leq 4.8 \times 10^{-5}$ [90% CL].

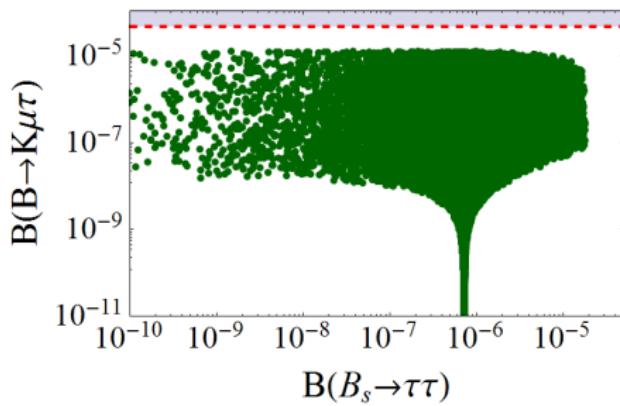
[Becirevic et al., to appear]

Can LHCb do better ?

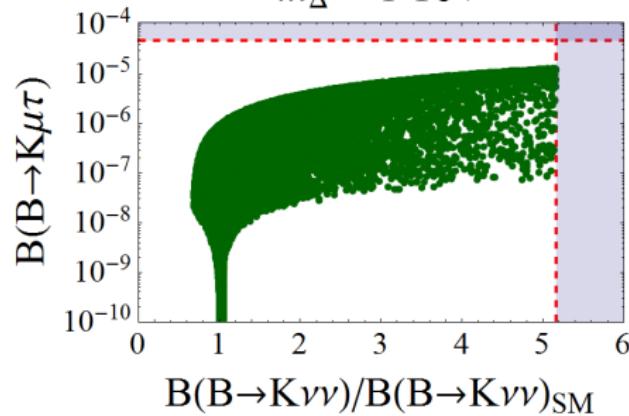
Even weak limits on $B \rightarrow K\mu\tau$ can be useful to constraint $\mathbf{Y}_{\tau s}$, $\mathbf{Y}_{\tau b}$ and $B \rightarrow K\nu\nu$ (Belle-2).

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Explaining R_K : Another Possibility

Z' Models

Z' bosons are usually associated with a new Abelian symmetry $U(1)'$.

A few examples:

- Gauged $L_\mu - L_\tau$ symmetry [Crivellin, D'Ambrosio, Heeck, 1501.00993]
- Gauged $B - L$ charges [Crivellin, D'Ambrosio, Heeck, 1503.03477]

Here, we will consider a **bottom-up approach**:

⇒ Z' couplings are only **fixed by data**.

[Crivellin et al. 2015, Becirevic et al. 2016]

$$\mathcal{L}_{Z'} \supset g_{\ell_i \ell_j}^{\textcolor{blue}{L}} \bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu P_L \ell_j Z'_\mu + g_{sb}^{\textcolor{blue}{L}} \bar{s} \gamma^\mu P_L b Z'_\mu + (L \rightarrow R)$$

Assumptions: gauge invariance (e.g., $g_{\ell_i \ell_j}^L = g_{\nu_i, \nu_j}^L$) and no couplings to electrons.

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- Scenario II: $\textcolor{blue}{g_{sb}^R, g_{\mu\mu}^L \neq 0}$ $(C'_9)_{\mu\mu} = -(C'_{10})_{\mu\mu} \propto g_{sb}^R g_{\mu\mu}^L$.

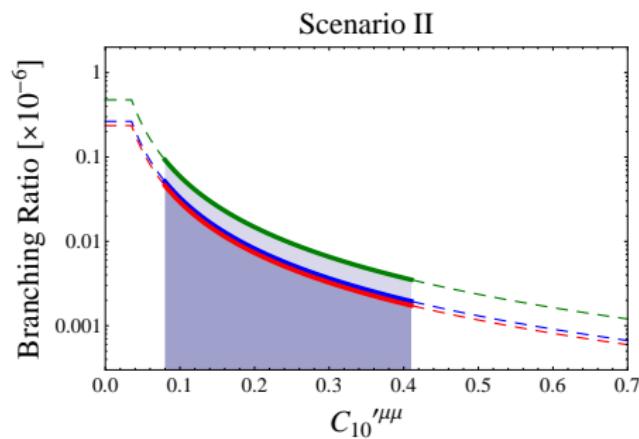
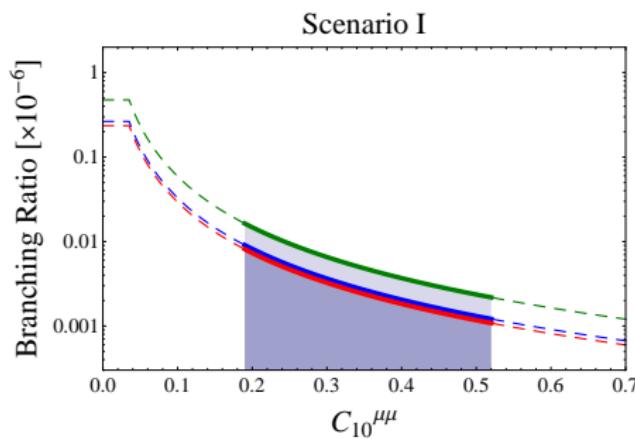
$$\mathcal{L}_{Z'} \supset \textcolor{blue}{g_{\ell_i \ell_j}^L} \bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu P_L \ell_j Z'_\mu + \textcolor{blue}{g_{sb}^L} \bar{s} \gamma^\mu P_L b Z'_\mu + (L \rightarrow R)$$

Most relevant constraints:

$B_s - \bar{B}_s$ mixing	\iff	$ g_{sb}^{L(R)} /\textcolor{blue}{m_{Z'}} \leq 1.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$
$\tau \rightarrow \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu \nu_\tau$	\iff	$(g_{\mu\mu}^L, g_{\mu\tau}^L, g_{\mu\tau}^R)/m_{Z'}$
$\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$	\iff	$(g_{\mu\tau}^L, g_{\mu\tau}^R)/m_{Z'}$

Maximal branching ratios \Rightarrow Possibly within the reach of LHCb and Belle-2.

Scenario	I (LH)	II (RH)
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \mu\tau) \leq$	1.6×10^{-8}	9.3×10^{-8}
$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \mu\tau) \leq$	0.9×10^{-8}	5.2×10^{-8}
$\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \mu\tau) \leq$	0.8×10^{-8}	4.6×10^{-8}



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Higgs LFV Coupling

[Becirevic et al. 2015]

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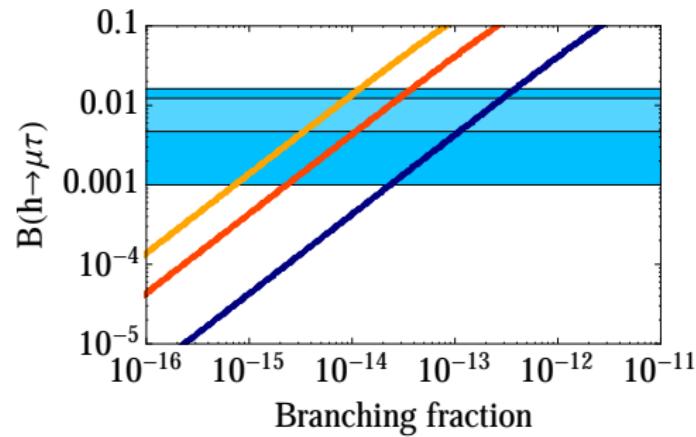
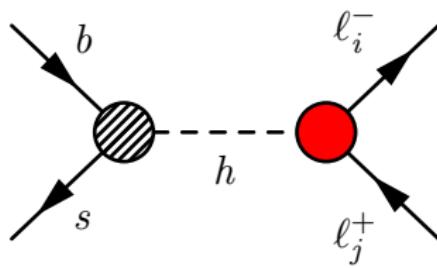
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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = -y_{ij} \bar{\ell}_L^i \ell_R^j h + \text{h.c.} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad 0.8 \times 10^{-3} < \sqrt{|y_{\mu\tau}|^2 + |y_{\tau\mu}|^2} < 3.6 \times 10^{-3}$$



Largest BR is $\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \mu\tau) < 4 \times 10^{-13} \Rightarrow$ Too small!

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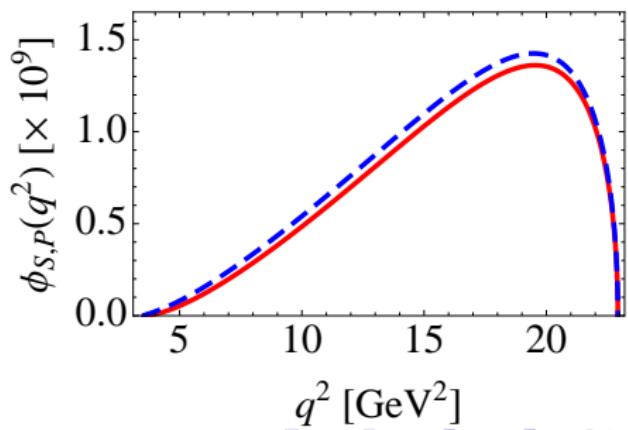
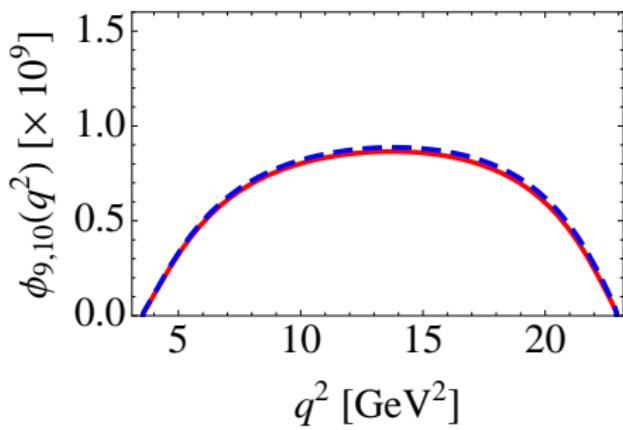
- Interesting hints of LFU violation in R_K and $R_{D^{(*)}}$ – Higgs Flavor Era around the corner?
- Important cross-checks: R_{K^*} , R_ϕ , $\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow D_s \tau \bar{\nu})/\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow D_s \ell \bar{\nu})$ etc [theoretically and experimentally clean].
- LFV is expected in most models aiming to explain R_K . We give predictions in models with generic Z' states ($\sim 10^{-7}$) and SLQ ($\sim 10^{-5}$).
- Take-home message: even not so stringent experimental limits on exclusive B LFV decay modes can be useful to constrain models of NP.

Thank you!

Back-up

More on B LFV

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \ell_1^- \ell_2^+)^{\text{theo}} &= \frac{\tau_{B_s}}{64\pi^3} \frac{\alpha^2 G_F^2}{m_{B_s}^3} f_{B_s}^2 |V_{tb} V_{ts}^*|^2 \lambda^{1/2}(m_{B_s}, m_1, m_2) \\ &\times \left\{ [m_{B_s}^2 - (m_1 + m_2)^2] \cdot \left| (C_9 - C'_9)(\textcolor{red}{m_1 - m_2}) + (C_S - C'_S) \frac{m_{B_s}^2}{m_b + m_s} \right|^2 \right. \\ &\left. + [m_{B_s}^2 - (\textcolor{red}{m_1 - m_2})^2] \cdot \left| (C_{10} - C'_{10})(m_1 + m_2) + (C_P - C'_P) \frac{m_{B_s}^2}{m_b + m_s} \right|^2 \right\}\end{aligned}$$



SLQ (3,2)_{1/6}

$$C_{9'}^{\ell\ell'} = -C_{10'}^{\ell\ell'} = \frac{\pi v^2}{2\lambda_t \alpha_{\text{em}}} \frac{Y_{s\ell} Y_{b\ell'}^*}{m_\Delta^2},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2}(B \rightarrow K\nu\bar{\nu}) &= \frac{|N|^2}{384\pi^3 m_B^3} |f_+(q^2)|^2 \lambda^{3/2}(m_B^2, m_K^2, q^2) \\ &\times \left\{ 3|C_L^{\text{SM}}|^2 + \frac{(Y \cdot Y^\dagger)_{ss}(Y \cdot Y^\dagger)_{bb}}{16N^2 m_\Delta^4} + \frac{2\text{Re}[C_L^{\text{SM}}(Y \cdot Y^\dagger)_{sb}]}{4Nm_\Delta^2} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $N = \frac{G_F V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \alpha}{\sqrt{2}\pi}$ and $C_L^{\text{SM}} = -6.38(6)$.

LFV in $b \rightarrow s\mu\tau$

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Similar scenarios are considered: $C_9^{\mu\mu} \neq 0$ and $C_9^{\mu\mu} = -C_{10}^{\mu\mu} \neq 0$; but the rates are ten times larger. Why?

- 2σ discrepancy in $\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\bar{\nu})$?

$$\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\bar{\nu})_{\text{SM}} = 17.29(3)\%$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\bar{\nu})_{\text{exp}} = 17.33(5)\% \quad [\text{Average}]$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\bar{\nu})_{\text{exp}} = 17.41(4)\% \quad [\text{Fit}]$$

PDG and HFAG fits amplify the 1.6σ discrepancy of

$$\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\bar{\nu})/\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu})$$

measured by BaBar \Rightarrow The average should be used instead.

- Main source of **disagreement**: $B_s - \bar{B}_s$ mixing

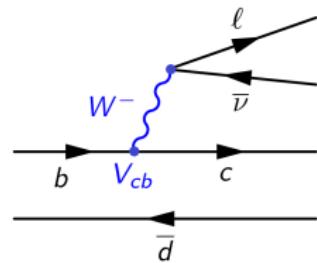
If $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ data is analyzed with only $C_{9,10}$, then $g_{sb}^R = 0 \Rightarrow$ **No fine-tuning** in $B_s - \bar{B}_s$.

LFU violation

(ii) $b \rightarrow c\tau\bar{\nu}$

- Tree-level process in the SM:

$$R_{D^{(*)}} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau\bar{\nu})}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\ell\bar{\nu})}, \quad \ell = e, \mu.$$



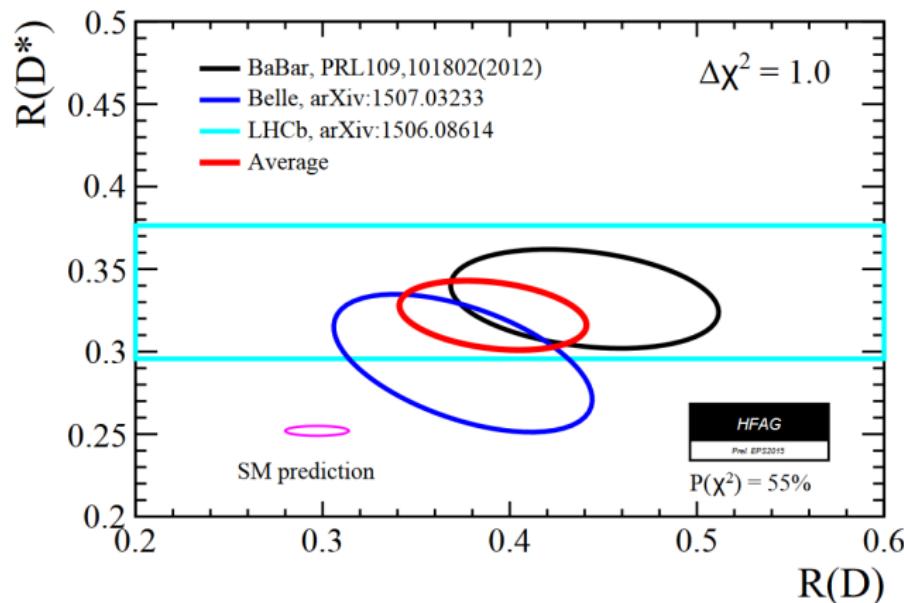
- Non-perturbative QCD \iff form-factors (Lattice QCD)

e.g. for $B \rightarrow D$, $\langle D | \bar{c} \gamma_\mu b | B \rangle \propto f_{0,+}(q^2)$

- Situation less clear for $B \rightarrow D^*$ \Rightarrow (more FFs, less LQCD results)
[One form factor is unknown from LQCD (error associated?)]

LFU violation

(ii) $b \rightarrow c\tau\bar{\nu}$



- 3.9σ combined deviation from the SM [theory error under control?]
- 2σ deviation if only R_D is considered.