
Rare decays of B hadrons

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on behalf of the LHCb collaboration with results from Belle

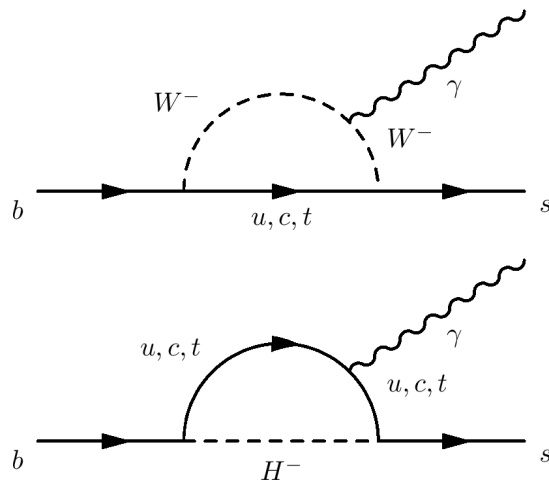


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Why rare B decays?

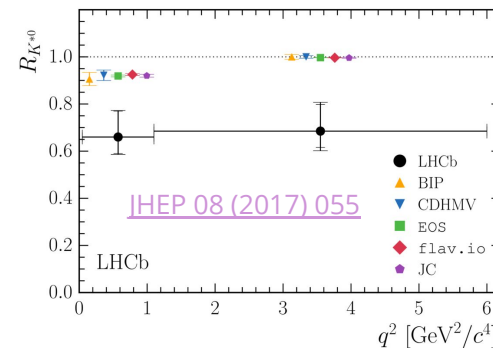
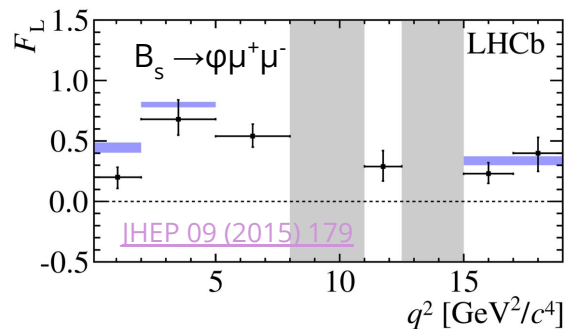
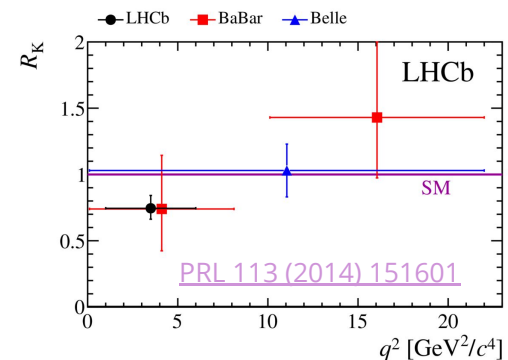
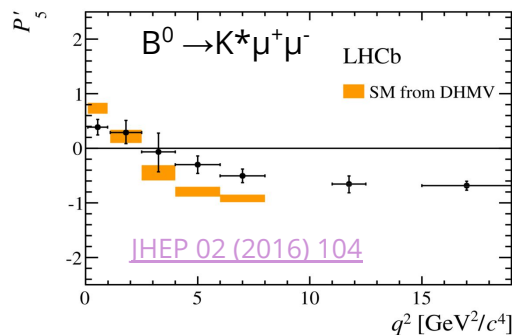
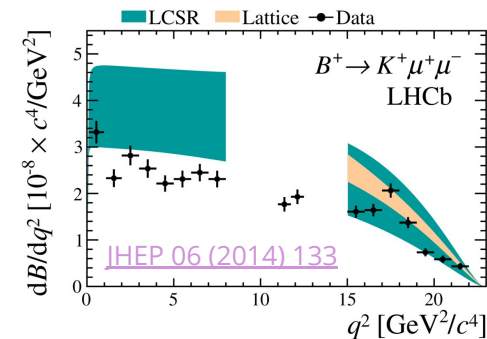
- FCNC sensitive to indirect effects of New Physics (NP) in loops
 - branching fractions, angular distributions, etc.
- Access to much larger scales than direct searches



Intriguing deviations in rare B decays

Differential BR and angular distributions

Lepton Flavour Universality (LFU) tests



Effective Hamiltonian

Model independent description in effective field theory [[Buchalla et al.](#)]:

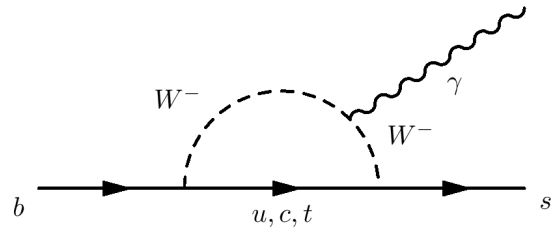
$$H_{\text{eff}} \propto V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i (C_i \mathcal{O}_i + C'_i \mathcal{O}'_i)$$

Complete basis of 4-body operators contributing to different final states:

$$\begin{aligned} O_7^{(\prime)} &\propto (\bar{s} \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_{R(L)} b) F^{\mu\nu} \\ O_9^{(\prime)} &\propto (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu P_{L(R)} b) (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu l) \\ O_{10}^{(\prime)} &\propto (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu P_{L(R)} b) (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 l) \\ O_S^{(\prime)} &\propto (\bar{s} P_{L(R)} b) (\bar{l} l) \\ O_P^{(\prime)} &\propto (\bar{s} P_{L(R)} b) (\bar{l} \gamma_5 l) \end{aligned}$$

Transition	$C_7^{(\prime)}$	$C_9^{(\prime)}$	$C_{10}^{(\prime)}$	$C_{S,P}^{(\prime)}$
$b \rightarrow s \gamma$	X			
$b \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$			X	X
$b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$	X	X	X	

Radiative decays



Sensitive to right-handed currents through photon polarisation

$$\alpha_\gamma = \frac{P(\gamma_L) - P(\gamma_R)}{P(\gamma_L) + P(\gamma_R)}$$

at leading order (LO) in the SM:

$$\alpha_\gamma^{LO} = \frac{|C_7|^2 - |C'_7|^2}{|C_7|^2 + |C'_7|^2}$$

Photon polarization in $B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$

Time dependent decay rate for f_{CP} states gives access to photon polarization:

$$\Gamma(t) \propto e^{-\Gamma_s t} \left[\cosh \left(\frac{\Delta\Gamma_{(s)}}{2} \right) - \mathcal{A}^\Delta \sinh \left(\frac{\Delta\Gamma_{(s)}}{2} \right) \pm \mathcal{C}_{CP} \cos(\Delta m_{(s)} t) \mp \mathcal{S}_{CP} \sin(\Delta m_{(s)} t) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\phi\gamma}^\Delta = -0.98^{+0.46+0.23}_{-0.52-0.20}$$

[PRL 118\(2017\)2,021801](#)

Require knowledge of the B_s
flavour at production

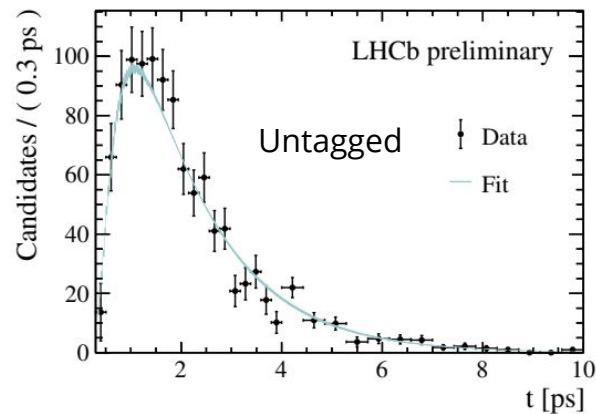
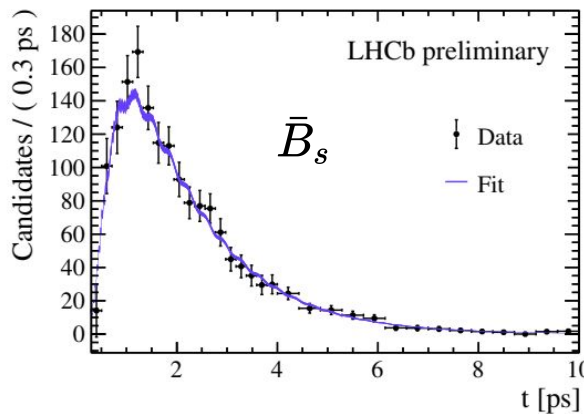
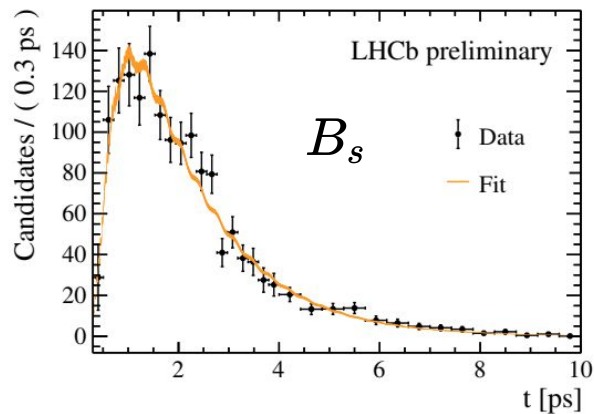


NEW this year
3 fb⁻¹ LHCb data

$$\mathcal{A}_{\phi\gamma}^\Delta \simeq \frac{\text{Re}(e^{-i\phi_s} C_7 C_7')}{|C_7|^2 + |C_7'|^2} \quad S_{\phi\gamma} \simeq \frac{\text{Im}(e^{-i\phi_s} C_7 C_7')}{|C_7|^2 + |C_7'|^2}$$

Photon polarization in $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$

- Fit time-dependent decay rate in $B_s \rightarrow \phi\gamma$ using B tagging information:



Compatible with SM and
previous result for A^Δ

$$\left. \begin{aligned} S_{\phi\gamma} &= 0.43 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.11 \\ C_{\phi\gamma} &= 0.11 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.11 \\ \mathcal{A}_{\phi\gamma}^\Delta &= -0.67^{+0.37}_{-0.41} \pm 0.17 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

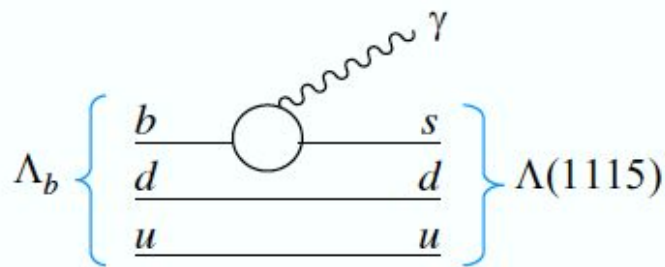
First measurement in B_s system

First observation of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^0 \gamma$

[PRL 123 031801 \(2019\)](#)

Baryonic $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ **not yet observed**

$\text{BR} < 1.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$ [CDF [PhysRevD.66.112002](#)]

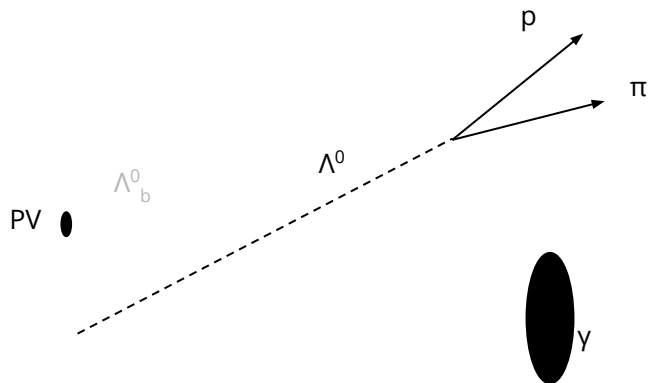


$\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} \in [0.06, 1] \times 10^{-5}$ [[Wang et al.](#),
[Mannel et al.](#), [Gan et al.](#), [Faustov et al.](#)]

Gives **access to photon polarisation**

[[Mannel & Recksiegel](#), [Hiller & Kagan](#)]

Very **challenging reconstruction** \rightarrow
dedicated reconstruction in Run 2



Huge combinatorial background
mitigated with performant MVA

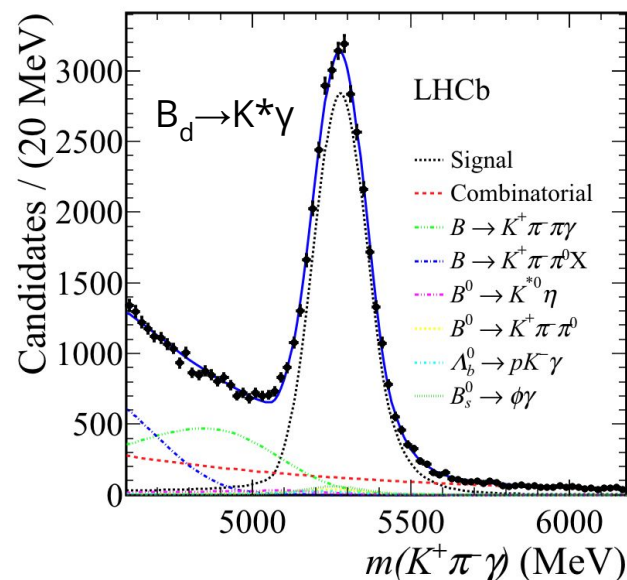
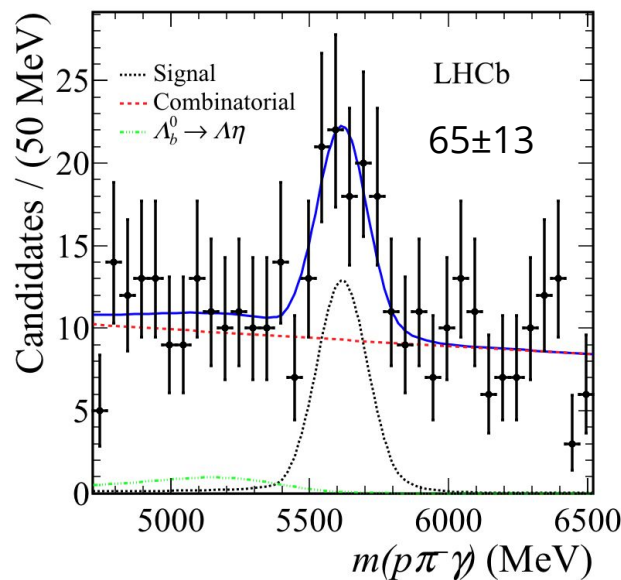
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LHCb 2016 data
(1.7 fb⁻¹)

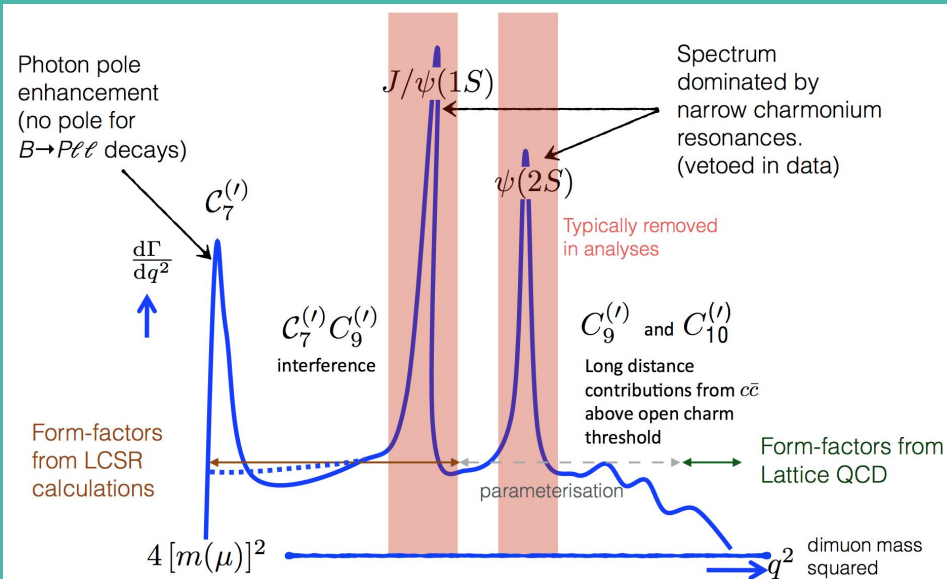
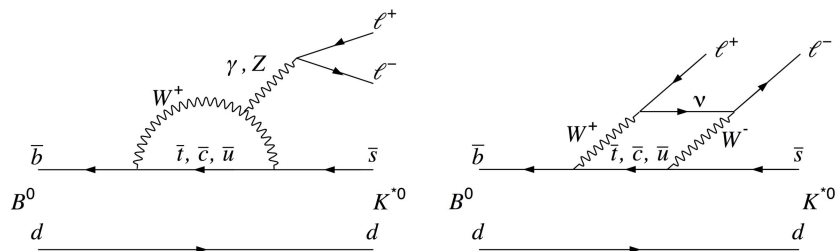
Significance of 5.6 σ
First observation!

Opens doors to
photon polarisation
measurement



$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma) = (7.1 \pm 1.5 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-6}$$

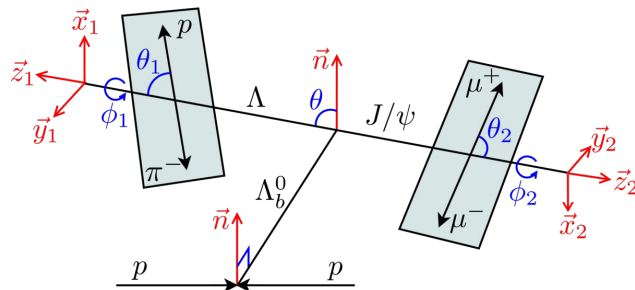
Semileptonic penguin decays



Full angular analysis of $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \mu^+ \mu^-$

[JHEP 09 \(2018\) 146](#)

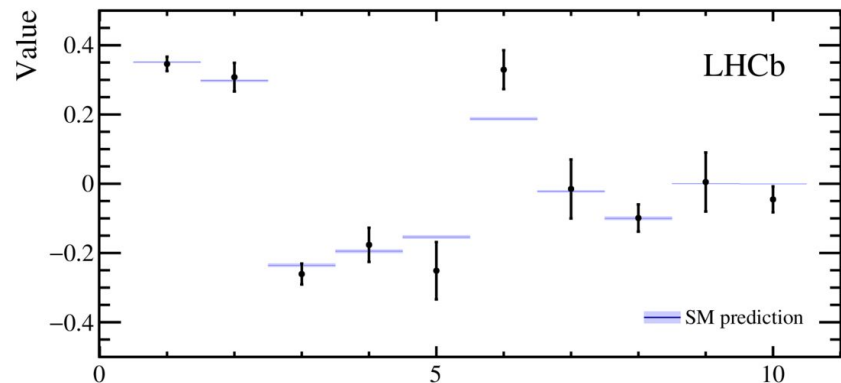
Richer angular distribution
than meson decays



Method of moments [[JHEP 11 \(2017\) 138](#)]
→ full set of angular observables

$$\frac{d^5\Gamma}{d\Omega} = \frac{3}{32\pi^2} \sum_i^{34} K_i f_i(\Omega)$$

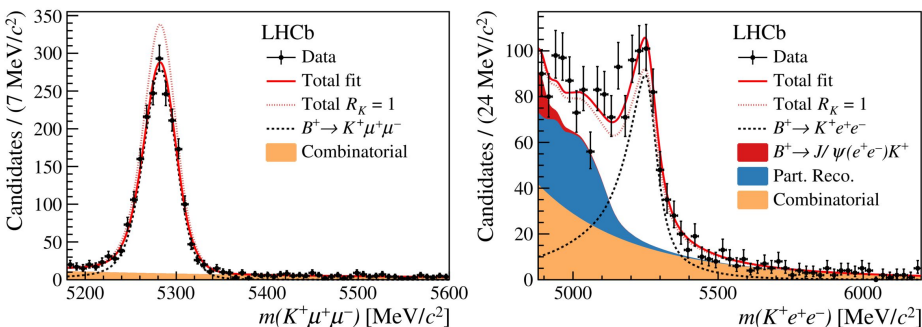
LHCb 2011-2016 data (5 fb⁻¹)



$b \rightarrow sll$ with electrons

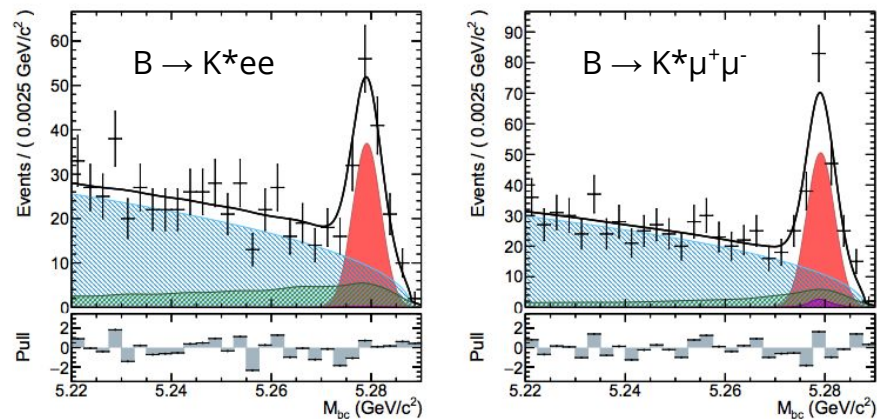
Theoretically, same behaviour as for muons \rightarrow LFU tests

A challenge at LHCb:



[PRL 122 \(2019\) 191801](#)

Much more similar to muons at Belle:



[arXiv:1904.02440](#)

$b \rightarrow sll$ with electrons at LHCb

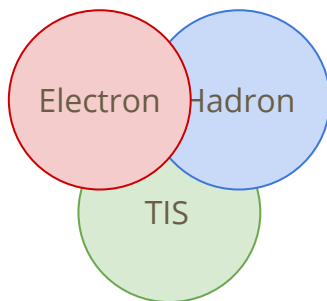
Hardware trigger

Larger ECAL occupancy \rightarrow tighter thresholds for electrons:

- $e p_T > 2700/2400$ MeV in 2012/2016
- $\mu p_T > 1700/1800$ MeV in 2012/2016

[[LHCb-PUB-2014-046](#), [2019 JINST 14 P04013](#)]

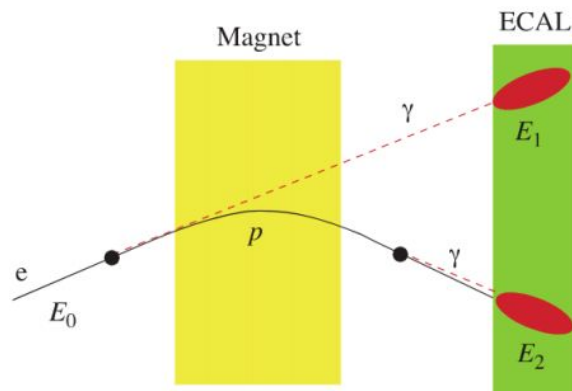
Mitigate including hadron trigger and events triggered independently of the signal (TIS)



Interaction with detector material

Electrons radiate much more Bremsstrahlung

Recovery procedure in place



- miss some photons and add fake ones
 - ECAL resolution worse than tracking
- \rightarrow worse mass resolution for electron modes¹³

How do we measure LFU?

In the SM:

$$R_H = \frac{BR(B \rightarrow H \mu^+ \mu^-)}{BR(B \rightarrow H e^+ e^-)} = 1$$

Experimentally:

$$R_H = \underbrace{\frac{N(B \rightarrow H \mu^+ \mu^-)}{N(B \rightarrow H e^+ e^-)}}_{\text{from mass fit}} \times \underbrace{\frac{\epsilon(B \rightarrow H e^+ e^-)}{\epsilon(B \rightarrow H \mu^+ \mu^-)}}_{\text{from MC and calibration samples}}$$

Exploit the well tested LFU in J/ψ modes

$$r_{J/\psi} = \frac{BR(B \rightarrow H J/\psi(\mu^+ \mu^-))}{BR(B \rightarrow H J/\psi(e^+ e^-))} = 1$$

- as **stringent cross-check**
- to build **double ratio** at LHCb \rightarrow cancel systematic effects

$$R_H = \frac{\frac{N(B \rightarrow H \mu^+ \mu^-)}{N(B \rightarrow H J/\psi(\mu^+ \mu^-))}}{\frac{N(B \rightarrow H e^+ e^-)}{N(B \rightarrow H J/\psi(e^+ e^-))}} \times \frac{\frac{\epsilon(B \rightarrow H e^+ e^-)}{\epsilon(B \rightarrow H J/\psi(e^+ e^-))}}{\frac{\epsilon(B \rightarrow H \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\epsilon(B \rightarrow H J/\psi(\mu^+ \mu^-))}}$$

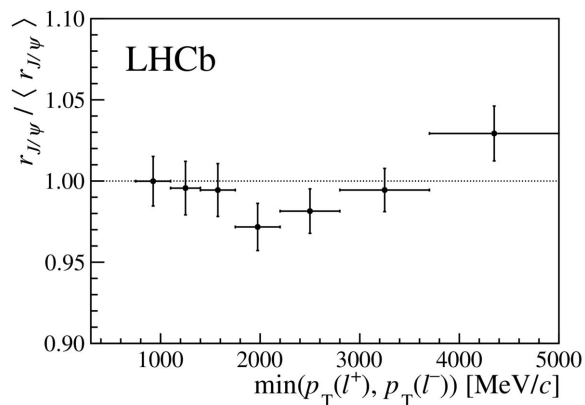
Updated R_K from LHCb

[PRL 122 \(2019\) 191801](#)

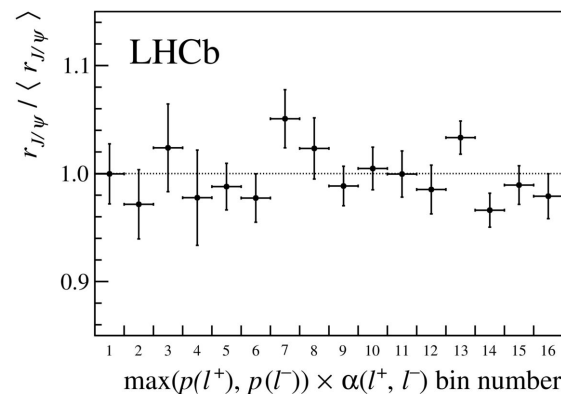
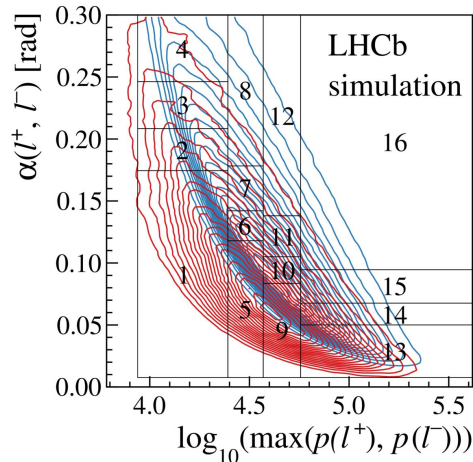
Re-optimised analysis of 2011-2016 data (5 fb^{-1}) in $1.1 < q^2 < 6.0 \text{ GeV}^2$

- $r_{J/\psi}$ cross-check:

$$r_{J/\psi} = 1.014 \pm 0.035$$



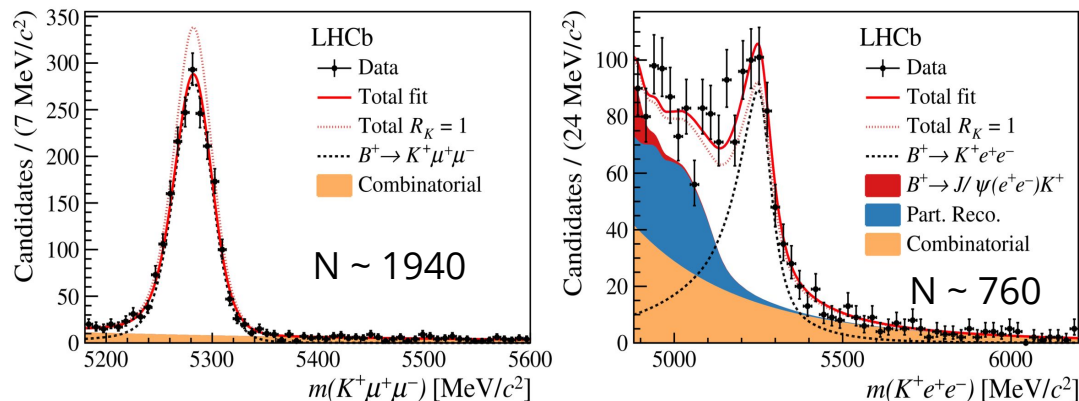
If deviations assumed to be genuine
 $\rightarrow 0.1\%$ on R_K



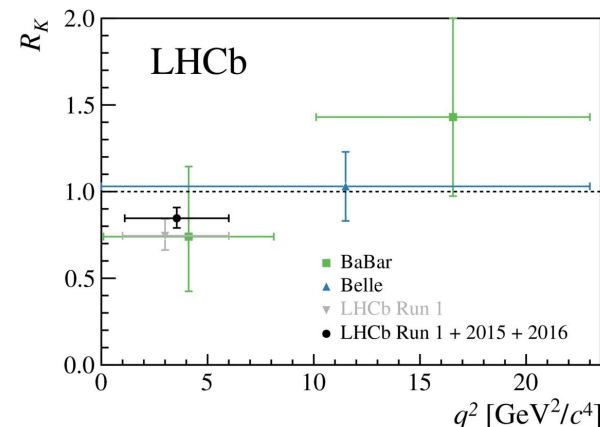
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Factor 2 larger yields than in previous analysis
still statistically dominated by electron mode



$$R_K = 0.846^{+0.060+0.016}_{-0.054-0.014}$$



compatible with previous
analysis and $\sim 2.5\sigma$ from SM

Still x2 B decays recorded by
LHCb to be analysed!

Updated R_{K^*} from Belle

New measurement from Belle using **full data-set**

- **charged $R_{K^{*+}}$** measured for the first time
- K^* reconstructed from $K^+\pi^-$, $K_S^0\pi^+$ and $K^+\pi^0$

R_{K^*} measured as single ratio but **stringent cross-checks** performed:

- measurement of $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow K^* J/\psi)$: compatible with world average
- $r_{J/\psi}$ test:

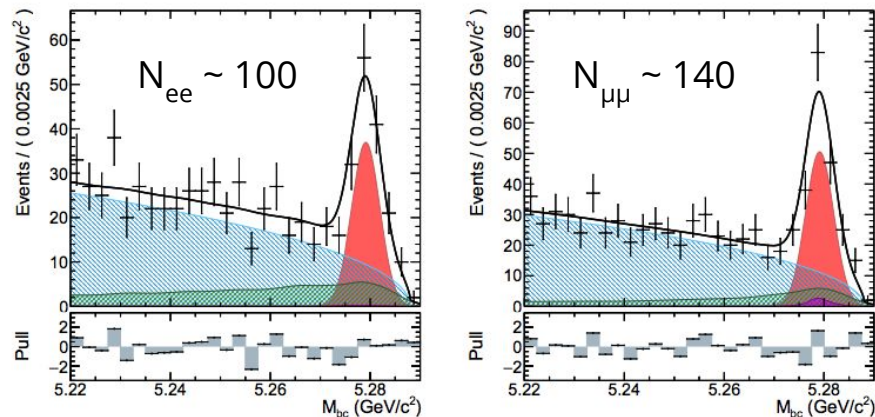
$$r_{J/\psi} = 1.015 \pm 0.025 \pm 0.038$$

Validates efficiency determination

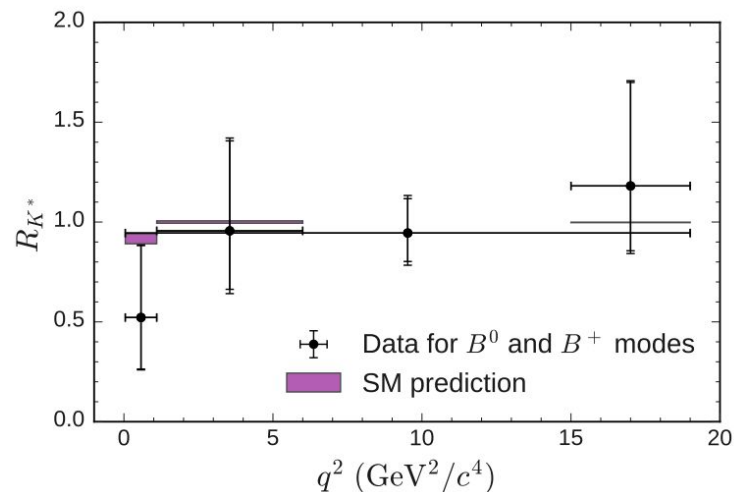
Updated R_{K^*} from Belle

[arXiv:1904.02440](https://arxiv.org/abs/1904.02440)

Main backgrounds: combinatorial, misidentification, charmonium and peaking



Measure charged and neutral modes separately and weighted average in various q^2 bins:



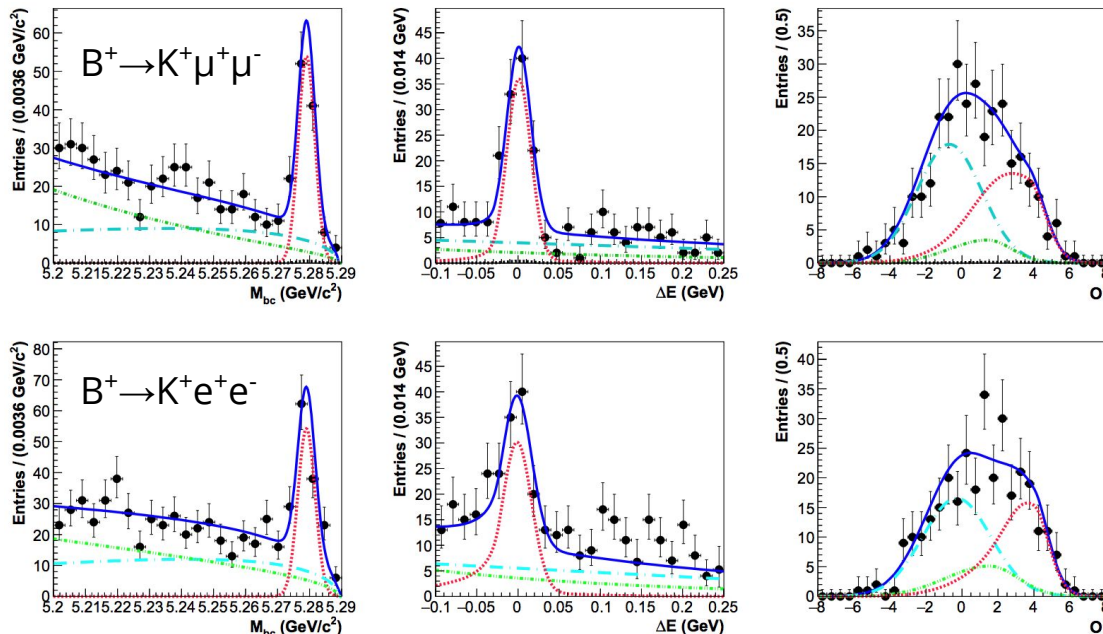
Results compatible with SM
and LHCb measurement

Updated R_K from Belle

[arXiv:1908.01848](https://arxiv.org/abs/1908.01848)

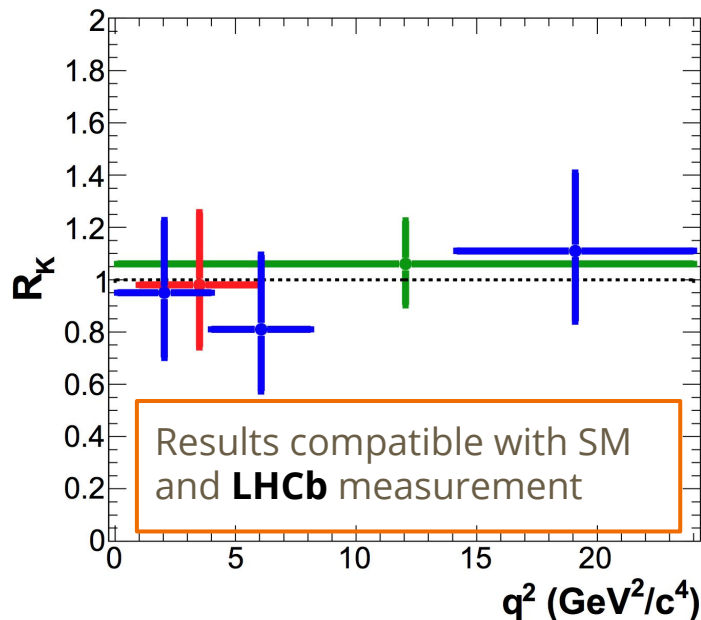
Updated measurement with full Belle data sample

- 3D fit in M_{bc} , ΔE and classifier output (O')



Updated R_K from Belle

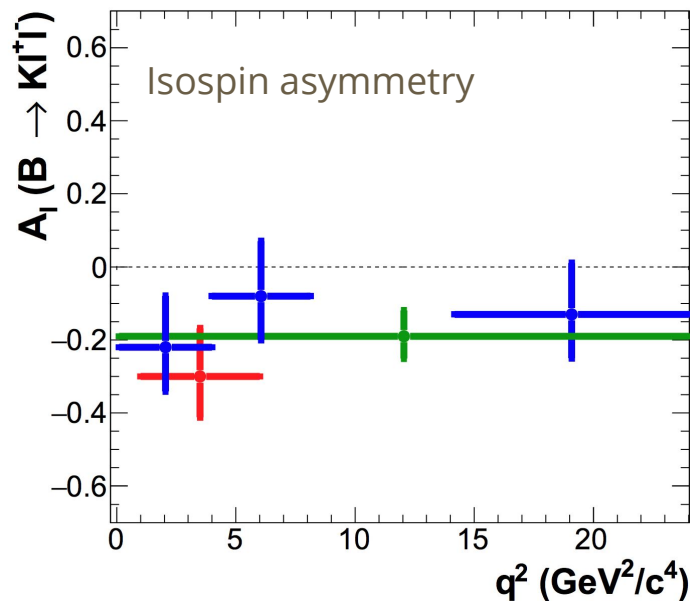
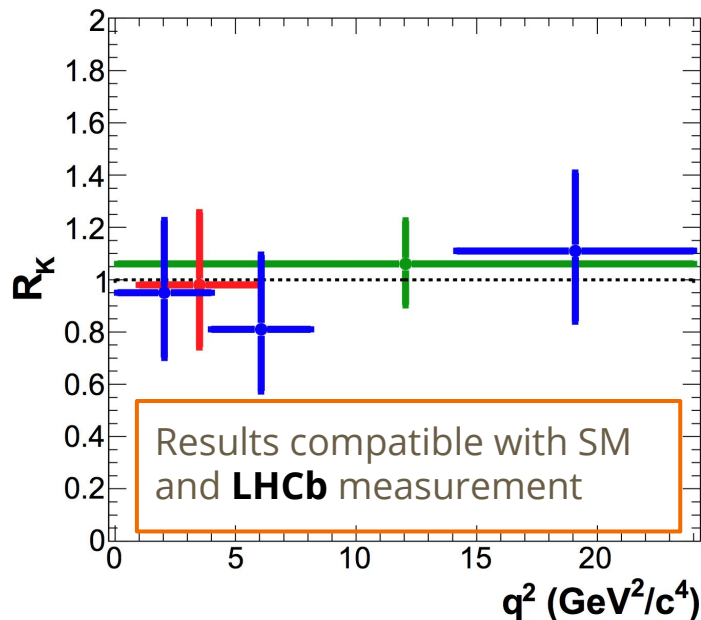
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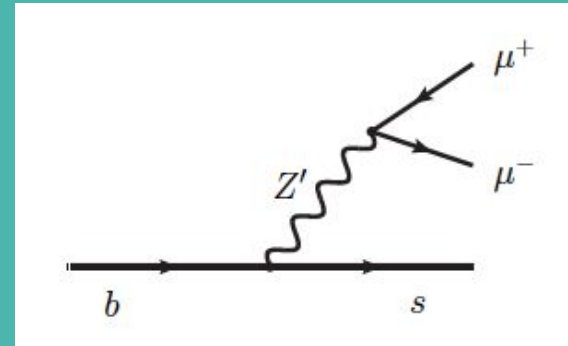
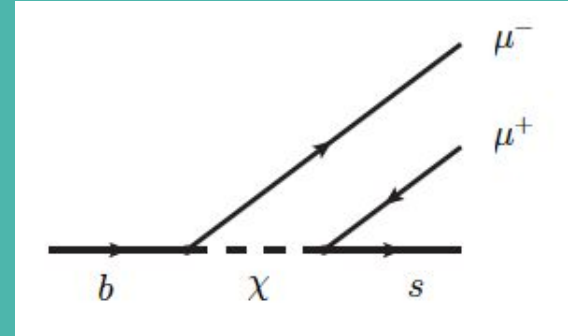
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Lepton Flavour Violation searches

LFUV \rightarrow LFV?

See talks by [J. Hisano](#), [F. Archili](#), [M. Blanke](#)



Search for $B_{(s)} \rightarrow \tau^\pm \mu^\mp$ at LHCb

Forbidden in the SM, BR up to 10^{-4} in NP scenarios

$B(B^0 \rightarrow \tau^\pm \mu^\mp) < 2.2 \times 10^{-5}$ at 90% CL by BaBar

No limit for B_s mode

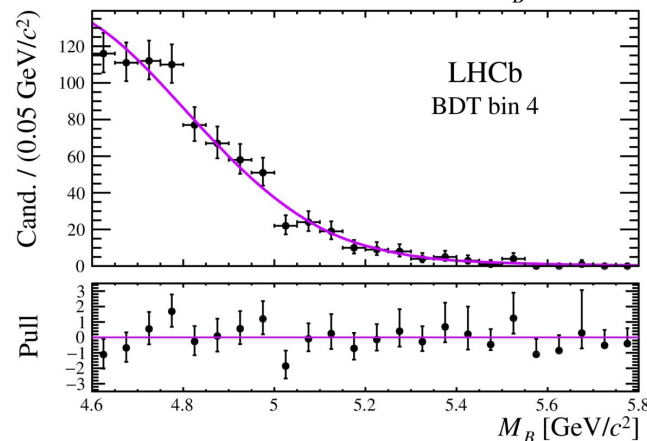
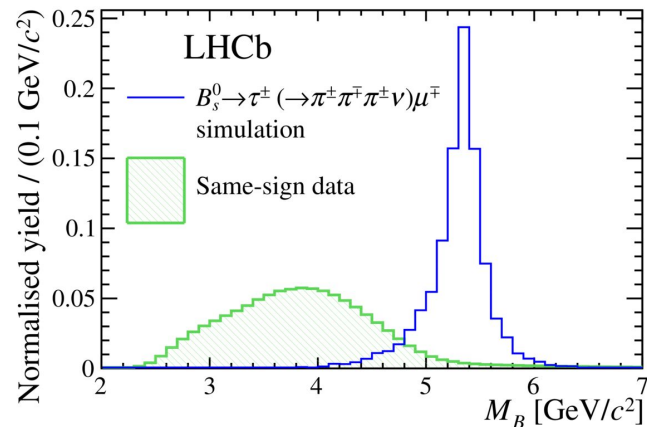
Search using Run 1 LHCb data (3 fb^{-1}) and hadronic tau decay $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \nu_\tau$ with kinematic constraints

$B^0 \rightarrow D^-(\rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-) \pi^+$ used as normalisation and same-sign data as background proxy

No signal excess observed. At 90% CL:

$$\begin{aligned} BR(B^0 \rightarrow \tau^\pm \mu^\mp) &< 1.2 \times 10^{-5} \\ BR(B_s \rightarrow \tau^\pm \mu^\mp) &< 3.4 \times 10^{-5} \end{aligned}$$

[arXiv:1905.06614](https://arxiv.org/abs/1905.06614)



Search for $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^\pm e^\mp$ at LHCb

[LHCb-PAPER-2019-022](#)

Forbidden in the SM, BR up to 10^{-8} in NP scenarios

$B(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^- e^+) < 9.1 \times 10^{-8}$ at 90% CL and

$B(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ e^-) < 13 \times 10^{-8}$ at 90% CL by BaBar

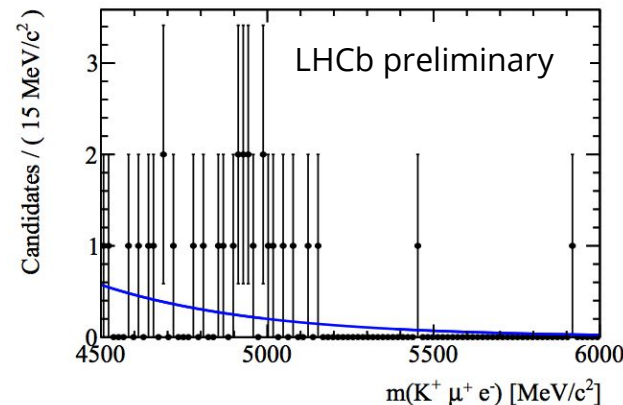
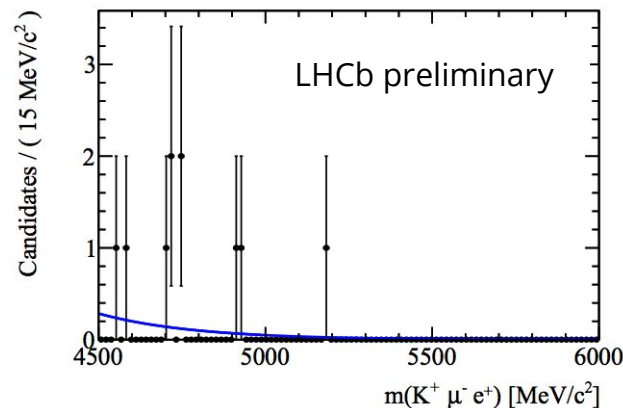
Search using Run 1 LHCb data (3 fb^{-1}) and
 $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$ as normalisation and control mode

Exploit μ triggers, e brem recovery and 2-stage BDT

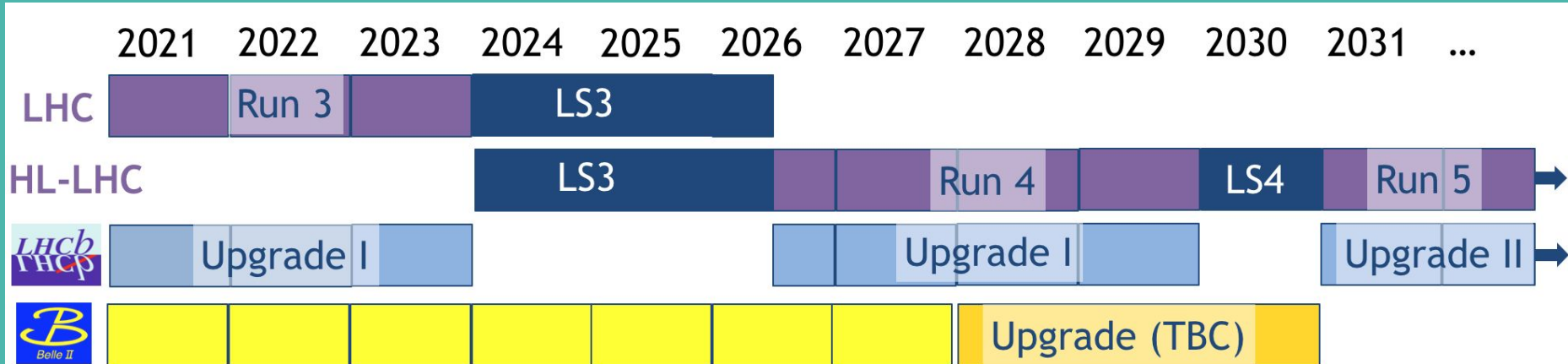
No signal excess observed, BR limits:

$\mathcal{B}/10^{-9}$	90% C. L.	95% C. L.
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^- e^+$	7.0	9.5
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ e^-$	7.1	9.1

LHCb preliminary



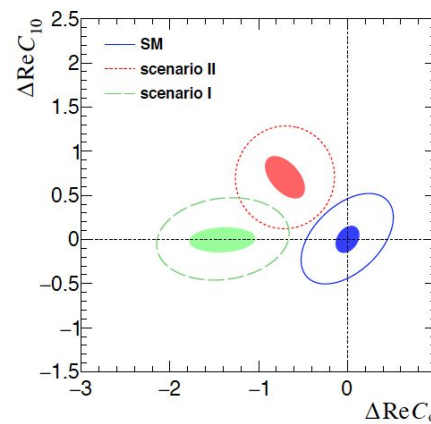
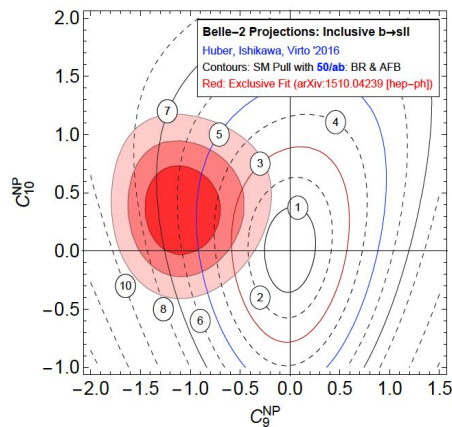
On to the future



Belle II

LHCb upgrade(s)

Strong constraints on NP in $C_{9,10}$ from $b \rightarrow sll$ and on RH currents from $b \rightarrow sy$



Constraints from LFU observables with 50 fb^{-1} (dashed) and 500 fb^{-1} (filled)

Observables	Belle 0.71 ab^{-1}	Belle II 50 ab^{-1}
$\text{Br}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)_{\text{inc}}^{\text{lep-tag}}$	5.3%	3.2%
$\text{Br}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)_{\text{inc}}^{\text{had-tag}}$	13%	4.2%
$\text{Br}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)_{\text{sum-of-ex}}$	10.5%	5.7%
$\Delta_{0+}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)_{\text{sum-of-ex}}$	2.1%	0.63%
$\Delta_{0+}(B \rightarrow X_{s+d} \gamma)_{\text{inc}}^{\text{had-tag}}$	9.0%	0.85%
$A_{CP}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)_{\text{sum-of-ex}}$	1.3%	0.19%

γ polarisation	U1 (50 fb^{-1})	U2 (300 fb^{-1})
$B_s \rightarrow \phi \gamma$	0.07	0.02
$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^0 \gamma$	10%	4%

Summary & conclusions

Rare decays provide stringent tests of NP at large scales

- Interesting **tensions in $b \rightarrow sll$** transitions could be a hint of NP
- Latest results with better precision **cannot confirm neither deny them**
- Updates with **more data and new modes** under development
- Crucial to test predictions of potential NP models \rightarrow **LFV**
- Complementary constraints on **right handed currents** from $b \rightarrow sy$

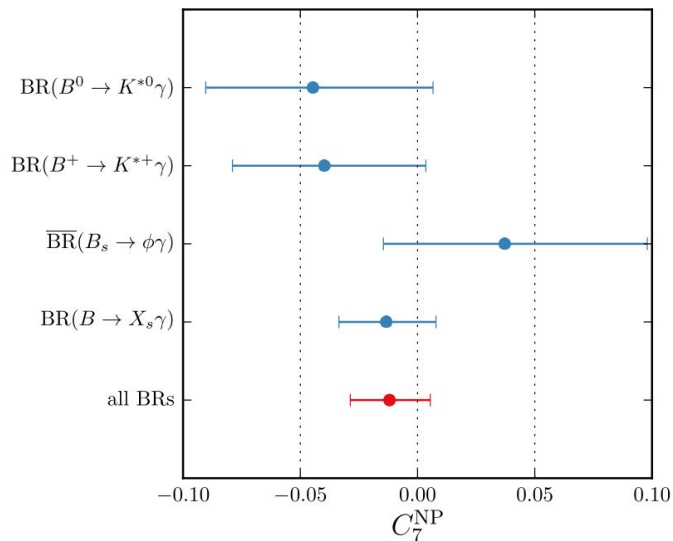
Not covered here:

- results from Atlas and CMS ($B_{(s)} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$): see talk by [F. Archili](#)
- interpretation of results in terms of NP models: see talk by [M. Blanke](#)

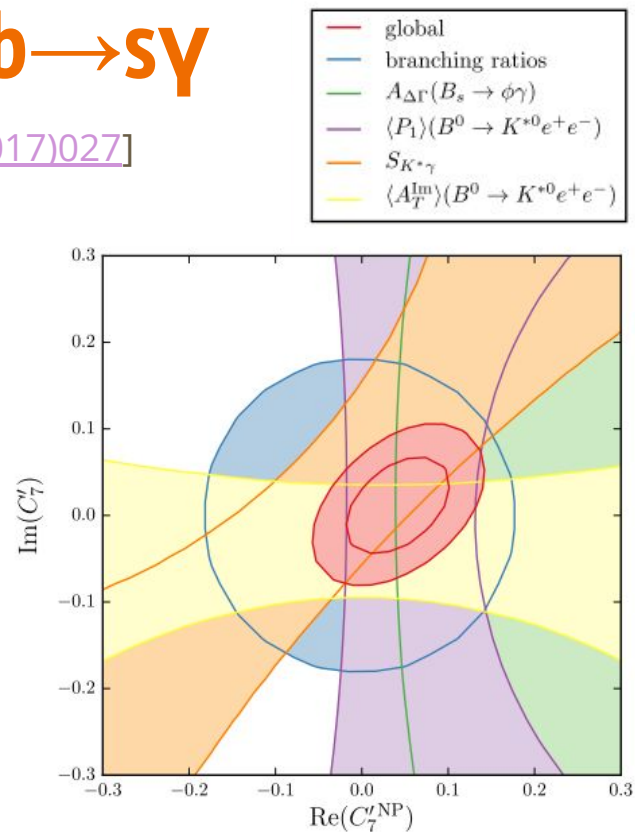
BACK-UP

New Physics constraints from $b \rightarrow s\gamma$

Paul & Straub [[JHEP04\(2017\)027](#)]



$$\text{Im } \Delta C_7(\mu_b) = -0.027 \pm 0.016 \quad \text{for } B^0 \rightarrow K^{*}\gamma$$



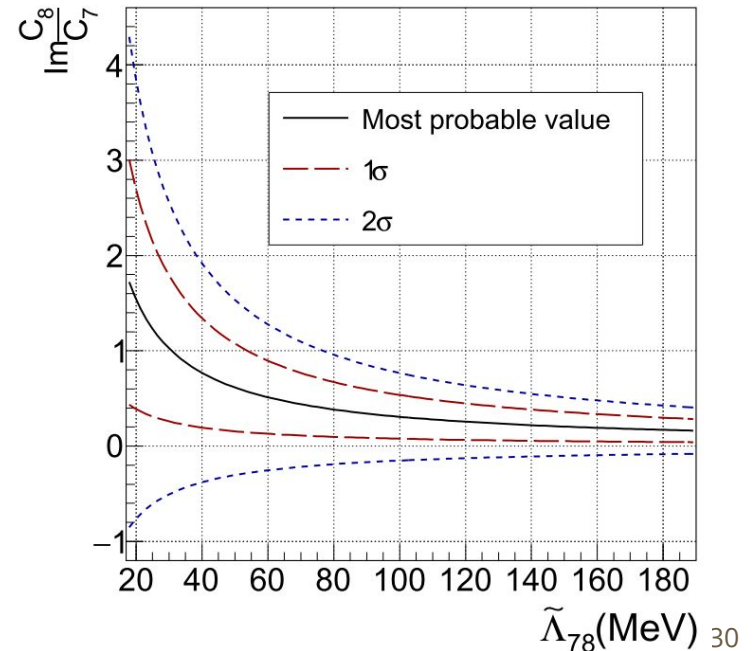
Isospin (Δ_{0-}) and CP (A_{CP}) asymmetry in $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

- Full Belle data
- Inclusive = sum of exclusive

$$\Delta_{0-} = [-0.48 \pm 1.49 \pm 0.97 \pm 1.15]\%$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}_{\text{RP}}^{78}}{\mathcal{B}} \simeq (+0.16 \pm 0.50 \pm 0.32 \pm 0.38 \pm 0.05)\%$$

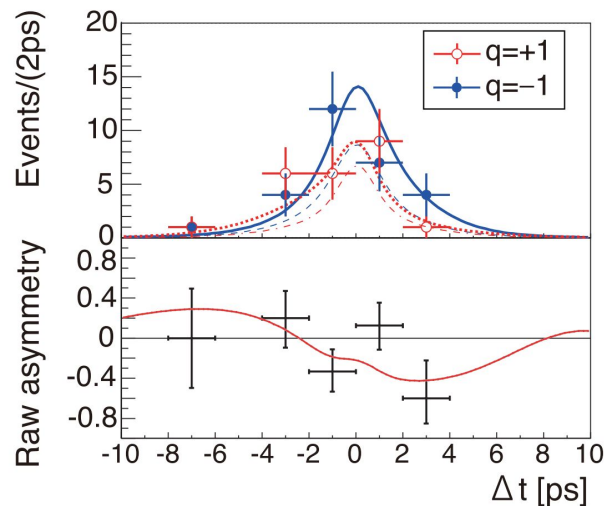
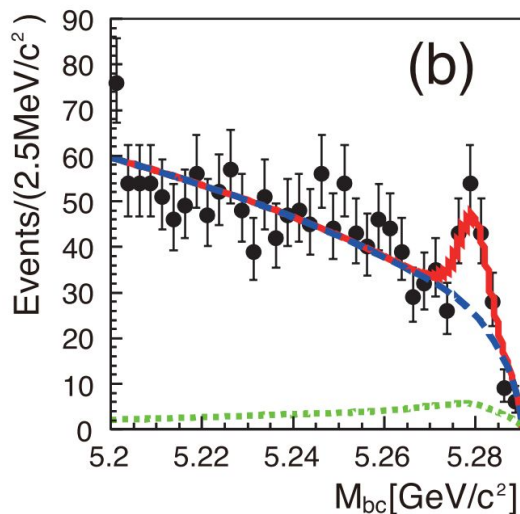
$$\Delta A_{CP} = [+3.69 \pm 2.65 \pm 0.76]\%$$



Photon polarization in $B^0 \rightarrow K_S \eta \gamma$

[Phys.Rev.D.97.092003\(2018\)](#)

- Full Belle data, $m(K_S \eta) < 2.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$, inclusive tagging



$$\mathcal{P}(\Delta t) \propto q [\mathcal{S} \sin(\Delta m_d \Delta t) + \mathcal{A} \cos(\Delta m_d \Delta t)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_{K_S \eta \gamma} &= -1.32 \pm 0.77 \pm 0.36 \\ \mathcal{A}_{K_S \eta \gamma} &= -0.48 \pm 0.41 \pm 0.07 \end{aligned}$$

Isospin asymmetry in $B \rightarrow K\ell\ell$ from Belle

[arXiv:1908.01848](https://arxiv.org/abs/1908.01848)

