# Searching for New Physics in Rare K and B Decays without $|V_{cb}|$ and $|V_{ub}|$ uncertainties

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$$|V_{cb}|$$
 and  $|V_{ub}|$  tensions

$$|V_{cb}|_{inclusive} = (42.16 \pm 0.50) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

2107.00604 [Bordone, Capdevila, Gambino]

$$|V_{cb}|_{exclusive} = (39.09 \pm 0.68) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

1902.0819 [FLAG]

See also 1912.09335 [Bordone, Gubernari, van Dyk, Jung]

$$|V_{ub}|_{inclusive} = (4.10 \pm 0.28) \cdot 10^{-3}$$
 Belle 2021

$$|V_{ub}|_{exclusive} = (3.73 \pm 0.14) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$|V_{ub}|_{exclusive} = (3.77 \pm 0.15) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

Light-cone sum rules 2102.07233 [Leljak, Melic, van Dyk]

**FLAG** 

•  $|\mathbf{V_{cb}}|$  and  $|\mathbf{V_{ub}}| \rightarrow ~7-10\,\%$  uncertainties

- Strong dependence of K and B decays on  $|\,V^{}_{cb}\,|\,\text{and}\,\,|\,V^{}_{ub}\,|$ 

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- 3. Small difference between the experimental measurements and the SM predictions  $\to~\sim30\,\%\,$  for  $Br(B_s\to\mu\mu)$

High precision needed for NP study

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Idea of: 0303060 [Buras] 2104.09521 [Bobeth, Buras]

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Cancellation of the full CKM dependence

• Cancellation also of the hadronic form factors  $F_{B_{s(d)}}^2$ 

Precise determination of 
$$\hat{B}_{s(d)}$$
 (LQCD) and of  $f(x_t) = \frac{Y_0(x_t)^2}{S_0(x_t)}~$  (NLO QCD)

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$$[\mathbf{R}_{s\mu}]_{SM} = (2.04^{+0.08}_{-0.06}) \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ps} \qquad \text{vs} \qquad [\mathbf{R}_{s\mu}]_{exp} = (1.61^{+0.19}_{-0.17}) \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ps}$$

# $2.1\sigma$ tension with SM WITHOUT CKM uncertainties

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# Generalization of the strategy $\rightarrow$ other ratios of (functions of) observables to eliminate the $|V_{cb}|$ dependence

They will in general depend on other CKM parameters



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•  $\lambda = |\mathbf{V}_{us}|$ : in general a weak dependence on it

• 
$$\beta$$
 : determined from  $S_{\psi K_S} \rightarrow (22.2 \pm 0.7)^\circ$ 

•  $\gamma$  : determined by LHCb through tree-level strategies  $\rightarrow (65.4^{+3.8}_{-4.2})^{\circ}$ 

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Dependence on  $|V_{ub}|$ ,  $|V_{ts}|$  and  $|V_{td}|$  traded for the ones on  $\lambda$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ 

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- 4.  $|V_{cb}|$  independent ratios  $\rightarrow$  Possible residual dependence on  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ [Possible strategies to determine  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ ]

# $Br(B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu\mu)$



Largest source of uncertainty:  $|V_{cb}|$ Negligible  $\beta$  dependence

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Tension SM-exp depends on  $|V_{cb}|$ , while in  $R_{s\mu}$  it is  $|V_{cb}|$  independent:  $|V_{cb}|_{inclusive} \rightarrow 2\sigma$  anomaly,  $|V_{cb}|_{FLAG}$  in agreement with SM

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Approximately  $|\,V_{cb}^{}\,|$  independent !!!

$$\mathbf{R_1} \propto [\sin \gamma]^{1.39} [F_{B_s}]^{-2.8}$$
  
 $\mathbf{R_2} \propto [\sin \gamma]^{-1.41} [F_{B_d}]^{-2.8}$ 

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BUT not  $\gamma$  independent !

$$\mathbf{4.} \qquad \mathbf{R}_1(\beta,\gamma) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})}{\left[\overline{\mathcal{B}}(B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-)\right]^{1.4}}, \qquad R_2(\beta,\gamma) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})}{\left[\mathcal{B}(B_d \to \mu^+ \mu^-)\right]^{1.4}}.$$



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Dominant uncertainties due to  $\gamma$  and  $\beta$ 

## **Critical exponents for other observables**

		Observable	$r_1$	$r_2$	$r_3$
		$K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu},$	2.8	1.39	0.0
		$K_L \to \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu},$	4.0	2.0	2.0
		$K_S \to \mu^+ \mu^-,$	4.0	2.0	2.0
<b>Observable</b> $\propto$		$ \varepsilon_K ,$	3.4	1.67	0.87
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	$\star$	$B^0 \to K^{0*} \nu \bar{\nu}$	2.0	0.0	0.0
		$\Delta M_d$	2.0	2.0	0.0
	$\star$	$\Delta M_s$	2.0	0.0	0.0

# **16** |V<sub>cb</sub>| independent ratios

$$\mathbf{R}_{5} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{K}^{+} \to \pi^{+} \nu \nu)}{[\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{B}^{+} \to \mathbf{K}^{+} \nu \nu)]^{1.4}} \propto [\sin \gamma]^{1.39} \qquad \mathbf{R}_{6} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{K}^{+} \to \pi^{+} \nu \nu)}{[\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{B}^{0} \to \mathbf{K}^{0*} \nu \nu)]^{1.4}} \propto [\sin \gamma]^{1.39}$$

$$\textbf{CKM independent} \quad \textbf{R}_7 \equiv \frac{Br(B^+ \to K^+ \nu \nu)}{Br(B_s \to \mu \mu)} \propto [\textbf{F}_{B_s}]^{-2} \qquad \textbf{R}_8 \equiv \frac{Br(B^0 \to K^{0*} \nu \nu)}{Br(B_s \to \mu \mu)} \propto [\textbf{F}_{B_s}]^{-2}$$

 $1.8\sigma$  tension SM-exp

$$\mathbf{R}_{9} \equiv \frac{|\epsilon_{\mathbf{K}}|}{(\Delta \mathbf{M}_{d})^{1.7}} \propto [\sin\gamma]^{-1.73} [\sin\beta]^{0.87} \qquad \mathbf{R}_{10} \equiv \frac{|\epsilon_{\mathbf{K}}|}{(\Delta \mathbf{M}_{s})^{1.7}} \propto [\sin\gamma]^{1.67} [\sin\beta]^{0.87}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{11} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{K}^{+} \to \pi^{+}\nu\nu)}{|\epsilon_{\mathbf{K}}|^{0.82}} \propto [\sin\gamma]^{0.015} [\sin\beta]^{-0.71} \qquad \mathbf{R}_{12} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{L}} \to \pi^{0}\nu\nu)}{|\epsilon_{\mathbf{K}}|^{1.18}} \propto [\sin\gamma]^{0.03} [\sin\beta]^{0.98}$$

$$\mathbf{Almost depending}_{only on \beta} \qquad \mathbf{R}_{s\mu} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{B}_{s} \to \mu\mu)}{\Delta \mathbf{M}_{s}} \propto \mathbf{const} \qquad \mathbf{R}_{d\mu} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{B}_{d} \to \mu\mu)}{\Delta \mathbf{M}_{d}} \propto \mathbf{const} \qquad \mathbf{CKM}_{independent}$$

$$\mathbf{accurately determined}_{from S_{\psi K_{S}}} \leftarrow \mathbf{R}_{0} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{K}^{+} \to \pi^{+}\nu\nu)}{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{L}} \to \pi^{0}\nu\nu)^{0.7}} \propto [\sin\beta]^{-1.4} \qquad \mathbf{R}_{SL} \equiv \frac{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{K}_{S} \to \mu\mu)_{SD}}{\mathbf{Br}(\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{L}} \to \pi^{0}\nu\nu)} \propto \mathbf{const}$$

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 $(\left|\mathbf{V_{cb}}\right|, \gamma, \beta)$  , from:

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**Tensions in the SM** 

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$$\beta = 22.2(7)^{\circ} \text{ from } S_{\psi K_S}$$

$$\gamma = 69.8(26)^{\circ} \text{ from } |\epsilon_K|, \Delta M_S \rightarrow$$

$$|V_{ub}| = 3.65(12) \cdot 10^{-3}$$
Consistent with FLAG:
$$|V_{ub}| = 3.73(11) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

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m s}$ ,  $\Delta M_{
m d}$ 

Decay	Branching Ratio	Decay	Branching Ratio
$K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$	$(8.60 \pm 0.42) \times 10^{-11}$	$B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-$	$(3.62^{+0.15}_{-0.10}) \times 10^{-9}$
$K_L \to \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$	$(2.94 \pm 0.15) \times 10^{-11}$	$B_d \to \mu^+ \mu^-$	$(0.99^{+0.05}_{-0.03}) \times 10^{-10}$
$K_S \to \mu^+ \mu^-$	$(18.5 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-12}$	$B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$	$(4.45 \pm 0.62) \times 10^{-6}$
		$B^0 \to K^{0*} \nu \bar{\nu}$	$(9.70 \pm 0.92) \times 10^{-6}$

Eliminating  $|V_{cb}|$  dependence: most accurate estimates to date!

## $Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu)$ and $|V_{cb}|$ independent estimates

Correlations between  $Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu)^{1.4}$  and  $Br(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu)$  [R<sub>1</sub>]



# Conclusions

#### $\left| \mathbf{V}_{cb} \right|$ independent analysis

- $|V_{cb}|$  independent ratios of observables in the SM
- $\mid V_{cb} \mid$  independent SM predictions for rare K and B decays





 $s,d \rightarrow \mu\mu$ )

#### 4. Correlations between $Br(B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu\mu)^{1.4}$ and $Br(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu)$



 $Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu \mu)$  measurements (LHCb, CMS, ATLAS) to be improved by LHC,

 $\gamma$  by LHCb and Belle II, Br(K<sup>+</sup>  $\rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$ ) by NA62

