# Flavour anomalies: status and implications

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#### Neutral current anomalies

- Overview of measurements
- Comments on hadronic uncertainties
- Model-independent new physics analysis
- 2 Charged current anomalies
- 3 Combined explanations
- 4 Fundamental Partial Compositeness

#### 4 years back ...

#### ${ m B}_{ m S} ightarrow \mu^+ \mu^ { m B} ightarrow { m K}^* \mu^+ \mu^+$

Status of new physics in rare B decays

#### Conclusions

- 1.  $B_s 
  ightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  closing in on the SM
  - Not there yet! After several improvements, theory unc. well below exp.; exp. still statistics dominated
  - Implications for SUSY: large tan  $\beta$  with light Higgses disfavoured
  - Implications for partial compositeness: starts to probe the parameter space
- 2.  $B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$  showing a few tensions with the SM
  - ▶ If due to NP, requires contribution to C<sub>9</sub> and C'<sub>9</sub>
  - Impossible to explain in SUSY or partial compositeness
  - Only known explanation: light flavour-changing Z'

#### $b \rightarrow s$ FCNC decays

Loop- & CKM-suppressed  $\Rightarrow$  sensitive to new physics



 $B \to K^* (\to K\pi) \mu^+ \mu^-$  angular distribution



 Gives access to a large number of observables with complementary sensitivity to new physics

## August 2013, LHCb 1 fb<sup>-1</sup>



## Moriond 2015, LHCb 3 $fb^{-1}$



#### More $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$ anomalies: branching ratios



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#### Theoretical challenges



#### Form factors

 Require non-perturbative calculation, e.g. lattice or light-cone sum rules (LCSR)

#### "Non-factorisable" hadronic effects

► Problematic since operators like  $(\bar{c}_L \gamma^\mu b_L)(\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu c_L)$ generated by *tree-level W* exchange

#### Predictions: smoking guns

"In particular, while the electron mode,  $B \rightarrow X_s e^+e^-$  remains SM-like, our framework predicts a  $\sim 20\%$  suppression ... of the muonic ... mode  $B \rightarrow X_s \mu^+\mu^-$ . Such modifications are interesting goals for Belle-II."

Altmannshofer et al. 1403.1269

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LHCP 2014: *R*<sub>K</sub>



$$R_{K} = \frac{\mathsf{BR}(B \to K\mu^{+}\mu^{-})_{[1,6]}}{\mathsf{BR}(B \to Ke^{+}e^{-})_{[1,6]}}$$
$$= 0.745^{+0.090}_{-0.074} \pm 0.036$$

2.4σ





Easter 2017: *R*<sub>*K*\*</sub>



$$R_{K^*} = rac{\mathsf{BR}(B o K^* \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathsf{BR}(B o K^* e^+ e^-)}$$

 $2.2 \& 2.4\sigma$ 

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## Cartoon: $q^2$ dependence of $B \to K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$

 $d\Gamma/dq^2$ Broad charmonium  $\psi(2S)$ J/W resonances (above the open charm threshold) Photon pole enhancement (from  $C_7$ ) Sensitivity to  $C_9$  and  $C_{10}$ CKM suppressed ✓ light-quark resonances phasespace Sensitive to  $C_7 - C_9$ suppression interference 0 5 10 15  $\leftarrow$  increasing hadronic recoil  $q^{2}$  [GeV<sup>2</sup>] Blake et al. 1606.00916 increasing dimuon mass  $\rightarrow$ 

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#### Hadronic uncertainties beyond form factors



- ▶ Partly calculable at low q<sup>2</sup> with QCDF Beneke et al. hep-ph/0106067
- Argued to have small impact on  $q^2$ -integrated observables at high  $q^2$  Beylich et al. 1101.5118
- Remaining contributions enter error estimate

#### Using data to constrain hadronic contribution

• Use  $b \rightarrow c\bar{c}s$  data & analyticity to extract/constrain the contribution Bobeth et al. 1707.07305



► LLH: only q<sup>2</sup> < m<sup>2</sup><sub>J/ψ</sub>; LLH2: including inter-resonance bin; MOM(2): method-of-moment results

#### Recent developments: BW-resonance model

 Modeling the hadronic contribution as a sum of Breit-Wigners; shown to be numerically compatible with more sophisticated parametrization from previous slide Blake et al. 1709.03921



- Cyan: varying the phase of the resonances
- Purple: SM prediction according to flavio

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## Effective theory

NP effects model-independently described by modification of Wilson coefficients of dim.-6 operators

$$\mathcal{H}_{eff} = -\frac{4 \, G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i C_i O_i + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{7}^{(\prime)} = \underbrace{P_{SL(R)}}_{SL(R)} Q_{9,10}^{(\prime)} = \underbrace{P_{L,R}}_{SL(R)} Q_{S,P}^{(\prime)} = \underbrace{P_{L,R}}_{SL$$

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#### Sensitivity to Wilson coefficients

Decay	$C_{7}^{(\prime)}$	$C_{9}^{(\prime)}$	$C_{10}^{(\prime)}$	$C_{S,P}^{(\prime)}$
$B  o X_s \gamma$	Х			
$B  o K^* \gamma$	Х			
$B \to X_{s} \ell^{+} \ell^{-}$	Х	Х	Х	
$B  ightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \ell^-$	Х	Х	Х	
$B_{s}  ightarrow \mu^{+} \mu^{-}$			Х	Х

Different observables are complementary in constraining NP

- Global analysis can be used to resolve ambiguities
- Apparent deviation from the SM in one observable can be cross-checked in related mode

## Model-independent fit to $C_{9,10}^{(\prime)}$ Altmannshofer et al. 1703.09189

Fit individual or pairs of WCs to

- ▶ Angular observables in  $B^0 o K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$  (CDF, LHCb, ATLAS, CMS)
- ▶  $B^{0,\pm} 
  ightarrow K^{*0,\pm} \mu^+ \mu^-$  branching ratios (CDF, LHCb, CMS)
- ▶  $B^{0,\pm} \rightarrow K^{0,\pm} \mu^+ \mu^-$  branching ratios (CDF, LHCb)
- ▶  $B_{s} 
  ightarrow \varphi \mu^{+} \mu^{-}$  branching ratio (CDF, LHCb)
- ▶  $B_s \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \mu^-$  angular observables (LHCb)
- $B \rightarrow X_s \mu^+ \mu^-$  branching ratio (BaBar)

NB,  $R_K \& R_{K^*}$  not used as constraints (yet)!

Coeff.	best fit	1σ	2σ	pull
$C_9^{\sf NP}$	-1.21	[-1.41, -1.00]	[-1.61, -0.77]	5.2σ
C'9	+0.19	[-0.01, +0.40]	[-0.22, +0.60]	0.9σ
C <sup>NP</sup> <sub>10</sub>	+0.79	[+0.55, +1.05]	[+0.32, +1.31]	3.4σ
$C'_{10}$	-0.10	[-0.26, +0.07]	[-0.42, +0.24]	0.6σ
$C_9^{ m NP}=C_{10}^{ m NP}$	-0.30	[-0.50, -0.08]	[-0.69, +0.18]	1.3σ
$C_9^{NP} = -C_{10}^{NP}$	-0.67	[-0.83, -0.52]	[-0.99, -0.38]	4.8σ
$C_9'=C_{10}'$	+0.06	[-0.18, +0.30]	[-0.42, +0.55]	0.3σ
$C_{9}' = -C_{10}'$	+0.08	[-0.02, +0.18]	[-0.12, +0.28]	0.8σ

$$pull \equiv \sqrt{x_{SM}^2 - x_{best fit}^2} \qquad (for 1D)$$



- best fit  $(C_9^{NP}, C_{10}^{NP}) = (-1.15, +0.26)$
- pull 5.0σ

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- best fit  $(C_9^{NP}, C_9') = (-1.25, +0.59)$
- pull 5.3σ

#### Impact of enlarging uncertainties



Doubling form-factor or "non-factorizable" hadronic uncertainties:

- Significance decreases but stays well above  $3\sigma$
- best-fit point hardly affected

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## $q^2$ dependence of $C_9$ best-fit



- NP in  $C_9$  would give helicity and  $q^2$  independent effect
- ▶ NP in  $b \rightarrow c\bar{c}s$  would give helicity independent but  $q^2$  dependent effect
- hadronic effect could be helicity and q<sup>2</sup> dependent

## flavio

All the numerics have been performed using:

flavio – a Python package for flavour phenomenology in the SM & beyond

- Documentation: <https://flav-io.github.io/>
- Code: <https://github.com/flav-io/flavio>

Main goal: lower the barrier between model building and flavour pheno

Now directly supports new physics in terms of SMEFT operators Aebischer et al. 1712.05298

#### Predictions for LFU tests

Using the model-independent fit to  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  observables and assuming the corresponding  $b \to se^+e^-$  observables to be free from NP, can *predict* LFU ratios/differences

$$R_X = rac{{\sf BR}(B o X \mu \mu)}{{\sf BR}(B o X ee)}$$

$$D_{\mathcal{O}} = \mathcal{O}(B 
ightarrow K^* \mu \mu) - \mathcal{O}(B 
ightarrow K^* ee)$$

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#### Predictions for LFU tests



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#### LFU fit Altmannshofer et al. 1704.05435

We now fit Wilson coefficients of lepton flavour dependent operators:

$$O_{9}^{(\prime)\ell} = (\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}P_{L(R)}b)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^{\mu}\ell) \qquad O_{10}^{(\prime)\ell} = (\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}P_{L(R)}b)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma_{5}\ell)$$
(1)

Observables:

- ► R<sub>K</sub> (LHCb)
- ▶ *R<sub>K\*</sub>* (LHCb)
- ►  $D_{P'_{4,5}} = P'_{4,5}(B \to K^* \mu \mu) P'_{4,5}(B \to K^* ee)$  (Belle)

These observables/measurements are *disjoint* from the ones used in the  $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$  fit!

Coeff.	best fit	1σ	2σ	pull
$C_9^\mu$	-1.59	[-2.15, -1.13]	[-2.90, -0.73]	4.2σ
$C^{\mu}_{10}$	+1.23	[+0.90, +1.60]	[+0.60, +2.04]	4.3σ
$C_9^e$	+1.58	[+1.17, +2.03]	[+0.79, +2.53]	4.4σ
$C_{10}^{e}$	-1.30	[-1.68, -0.95]	[-2.12, -0.64]	4.4σ
$C_9^\mu=-C_{10}^\mu$	-0.64	[-0.81, -0.48]	[-1.00, -0.32]	4.2σ
$C_{9}^{e} = -C_{10}^{e}$	+0.78	[+0.56, +1.02]	[+0.37, +1.31]	4.3σ
$C_{9}^{\prime  \mu}$	-0.00	[-0.26, +0.25]	[-0.52, +0.51]	0.0σ
$C_{10}^{\prime  \mu}$	+0.02	[-0.22, +0.26]	[-0.45, +0.49]	0.1σ
C' <sup>e</sup> <sub>9</sub>	+0.01	[-0.27, +0.31]	[-0.55, +0.62]	0.0σ
$C_{10}^{\prime e}$	-0.03	[-0.28, +0.22]	[-0.55, +0.46]	0.1σ

$$\mathsf{pull} \equiv \sqrt{x_{\mathsf{SM}}^2 - x_{\mathsf{best fit}}^2} \quad (\mathsf{for 1D})$$

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## 2D results: $R_{K^{(*)}}$ vs. $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$



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$$C_{9}^{\mu}$$
 vs.  $C_{9}^{\prime\mu}$ 



 Right-handed currents not favoured by data

$$C_9^{\mu}$$
 vs.  $C_9^{e}$ 



 NP in b → se<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> not required by data (but not excluded either!)

#### $R_{K^{(*)}}$ in different scenarios



• Impossible to distinguish different best-fit scenarios on the basis of  $R_{K^{(*)}}$  alone

#### Predictions for angular observables

$$D_{P'_{4,5}} = P'_{4,5}(B o K^* \mu \mu) - P'_{4,5}(B o K^* ee)$$



- ►  $D_{P'_{4,5}}$  can clearly distinguish hypotheses with  $C_9$  vs.  $C_{10}$
- might even be able to distinguish suppression of  $\mu\mu$  vs. enhancement of ee mode

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 $R_D \& R_{D^*}$ 



- ▶ Decays  $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell v$  with  $\ell = e$  or  $\mu$  used to measure CKM element  $V_{cb}$
- ►  $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau v$  different due to  $\tau$  mass, but hadronic uncertainties (form factors) very small in ratio

$$\Rightarrow R_{D^*} = \frac{\mathsf{BR}(B \to D^{(*)}\tau v)}{\mathsf{BR}(B \to D^{(*)}\ell v)} \text{ is a powerful test of LFU!}$$

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## The $R_{D^{(*)}}$ anomalies



## Cross-checks: $R_{J/\psi}$



- Interesting cross-check: bigger than expected as well
- Uncertainties (both theo & exp) still too large to draw conclusions

#### Effective theory for $b \rightarrow c \tau v$

$$\mathcal{H}_{eff} = rac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} \left( O_{V_L} + \sum_i C_i O_i + \mathrm{h.c.} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} O_{V_L} &= (\bar{c}_L \gamma^\mu b_L) (\bar{\ell}_L \gamma_\mu v_{\tau L}) & O_{S_R} &= (\bar{c}_L b_R) (\bar{\ell}_R v_{\tau L}) & O_T &= (\bar{c}_R \sigma^{\mu\nu} b_L) (\bar{\ell}_R \sigma_{\mu\nu} v_{\tau L}) \\ O_{V_R} &= (\bar{c}_R \gamma^\mu b_R) (\bar{\ell}_L \gamma_\mu v_{\tau L}) & O_{S_L} &= (\bar{c}_R b_L) (\bar{\ell}_R v_{\tau L}) \end{aligned}$$

- ►  $O_{V_R}$  is LFU at dimension 6 in SMEFT (can only arise from modification of  $\bar{c}_R b_R W$  vertex)  $\Rightarrow$  ignore
- ► Ignoring  $b \rightarrow c \tau v_{e,\mu}$  for simplicity (contributions relevant in concrete models!)

#### Constraint from $B_c \rightarrow \tau v$



- Can be strongly enhanced by scalar operators
- sensitive to  $C_{S_R} C_{S_L}$
- ► Even though the decay has not been measured or searched for, theoretical arguments allow to constrain  $BR(B_c \rightarrow \tau v) \lesssim 0.3$  Li et al. 1605.09308, Alonso et al. 1611.06676
- ► Reinterpreting an old LEP1 search for  $B^+ \rightarrow \tau v$  allows to constrain BR( $B_c \rightarrow \tau v$ )  $\lesssim 0.1$  Akeroyd and Chen 1708.04072

#### Model-independent fit to $b \rightarrow c \tau v$



• Fit to  $R_D$ ,  $R_{D^*}$ ,  $B_c \rightarrow \tau v$ 

• Not a full fit:  $d\Gamma/dq^2$ ,  $\tau$  pol.,  $R_{J/\psi}$  missing

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#### Combined explanations: SMEFT considerations

- ► Heavy NP must respect SU(2)<sub>L</sub> × U(1)<sub>Y</sub> gauge invariance ⇒ D = 6 SMEFT (ignoring non-linear HEFT) Alonso et al. 1407.7044, Aebischer et al. 1512.02830, ...
- ightarrow Only considering operators that affect  $b
  ightarrow s\mu^+\mu^-$ , b
  ightarrow c au v, violate LFU

 $b 
ightarrow s \mu^+ \mu^-$ 

- $[C_{lq}^{(1)}]^{2223} \to C_9 = -C_{10}$
- $[C_{lq}^{(3)}]^{2223} \to C_9 = -C_{10}$
- $[C_{ld}]^{2223} \to C_9 = C_{10}$

through RG mixing:

- ▶  $[C_{lu}]^{2233} \rightarrow C_9 = -C_{10}$  Celis et al. 1704.05672
- \*(basis where  $M_{d,l}$  are diagonal)

 ${\bm b} \to {\bm c} {\bm \tau} {\bm v}$ 

- $[C_{lq}^{(3)}]^{33i3} \to C_{V_L}$
- ▶  $[C_{ledq}]^{333i*} \rightarrow C_{S_R}$
- ▶  $[C_{lequ}^{(1)}]^{333i} \rightarrow C_{S_L}$
- $\blacktriangleright \ [C^{(3)}_{lequ}]^{333i} \to C_T$

through RG mixing: no qualitative change González-Alonso et al. 1706.00410

#### **Tree-level models**



#### Single-mediator tree-level models

Model	$C_{lq}^{(1)}$	$C_{lq}^{(3)}$	$C_{qe}$	C <sub>lu</sub>	C <sub>ledq</sub>	$C_{lequ}^{(1)}$	$C_{lequ}^{(3)}$
Z'	$\times$		×	$\times$			
V'		×					
H'					×	×	
S <sub>1</sub>	×	×				×	×
$R_2$			×	$\times$		$\times$	$\times$
$S_3$	×	×					
$U_1$	$\times$	×			×		
$U_3$	$\times$	$\times$					
$V_2$			×		×		
ν̃2				$\times$			

Some models generate  $R_D$  at tree,  $R_K(*)$  at 1-loop Bauer and Neubert 1511.01900,

Bečirević and Sumensari 1704.05835

#### Generic constraints: *B*<sub>s</sub> mixing



► Forces Z' (or vector triplet) models into regime with strong couplings to muons

$$g_{bsZ'}/m_{Z'} \lesssim 0.01/(2.5\,\mathrm{TeV})$$

Altmannshofer and Straub 1308.1501

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#### Generic constraints: $pp \rightarrow \mu\mu, \tau\tau$

$$\begin{array}{c} q & \mu, \tau \\ \hline q & \mu, \tau \end{array}$$

- Resonances searches
- contact interaction searches

#### Generic constraints: Neutrino trident



Altmannshofer et al. 1403.1269, Altmannshofer et al. 1406.2332

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#### Generic constraints: $B \rightarrow K v \bar{v}$



- ►  $S_1, S_3, U_3$  leptoquarks generate  $b \rightarrow sv\bar{v}$  at tree level Buras et al. 1409.4557
- ► *B* factory searches constrain BR $(B \rightarrow K v \bar{v})/BR(B \rightarrow K v \bar{v})_{SM} \lesssim 3$

- $S_1: C_L^{\nu_\mu} \gg C_9^{\mu}$
- $S_3: C_L^{V_{\mu}} = \frac{1}{2}C_9^{\mu}$

•  $U_3: C_L^{v_{\mu}} = 2C_9^{\mu}$ 

- Particularly problematic if R<sub>D(\*)</sub> should be explained: large contributions to b → sv<sub>τ</sub>v

  ¯<sub>τ</sub>, b → sv<sub>μ</sub>v

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  ¯<sub>μ</sub>
- Possible to suppress using cancellation between S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>3</sub> contribution Crivellin et al. 1703.09226

#### Combined explanations: summary

- ► If both anomalies are due to a *single* & *simple* source of NP, the least constrained option currently seems to be the leptoquark U<sub>1</sub>
  - ► B<sub>s</sub> mixing contribution suppressed by loop factor
  - $B \rightarrow K v \bar{v}$  contribution suppressed by loop factor
- ► Vector leptoquark calls for UV completion. Model building attempts underway, most based on Pati-Salam (PS) gauge group, SU(4) × SU(2) × SU(2)
  - Composite PS leptoquark Barbieri et al. 1611.04930, Barbieri and Tesi 1712.06844
  - ►  $SU(4) \times SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$  Di Luzio et al. 1708.08450, cf. v2 of Assad et al. 1708.06350
  - ▶ PS with additional vector-like fermions Calibbi et al. 1709.00692
  - Three-site PS Bordone et al. 1712.01368
  - PS in warped extra dimensions Blanke and Crivellin 1801.07256

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#### Flavour anomalies and partial compositeness

- ► Partial compositeness: crucial ingredient of viable composite Higgs models
- Linear coupling of fermions to composite operators generates fermion masses

 $\mathcal{L}\supset\lambda q\mathcal{Q}$ 

- b → sµ<sup>+</sup>µ<sup>-</sup> anomalies could be explained if either left- or right-handed muons have a significant degree of compositeness
  - Basic idea, composite LH muons Niehoff et al.
  - ► Extra dimensional realization Megias et al. 1608.02362
  - Relation to EWSB, composite RH leptons Carmona and Goertz 1510.07658, Carmona and Goertz 1712.02536

#### Fundamental Partial Compositeness (FPC) Sannino et al. 1607.01659

- ▶ Partial compositenss  $\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda q \mathcal{Q}$ : hard to realize if  $\mathcal{Q}$  is "baryon"
- $\blacktriangleright$  UV completion possible if  $\mathcal Q$  is scalar-fermion bound state:  $\mathcal Q\sim \mathcal{FS}$



#### Minimal FPC Cacciapaglia et al. 1704.07845

- Gauge group  $Sp(N_{TC})$
- ▶ NB: EW symmetry broken by (composite) Higgs VEV, not by condensate!
- ► Global symmetry breaking coset SU(4)/Sp(4) ~ SO(6)/SO(5)
- ▶ Scalar sector invariant under global  $Sp(2N_S) = Sp(24)_S$



### EFT for FPC

- ► EFT with operators invariant and the full global symmetries of the theory → match to weak effective theory
- All low-energy phenomenology fixed in terms of fundamental parameters of the UV theory and Wilson coefficients of TC operators

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{O}_{4f}^{1} &= \frac{1}{64\pi^{2}\Lambda_{2}}(\psi^{i_{1}}{}_{a_{1}}\psi^{i_{2}}{}_{a_{2}})(\psi^{\dagger^{i_{3}a_{3}}}\psi^{\dagger^{i_{4}a_{4}}})\Sigma^{a_{1}a_{2}}\Sigma^{\dagger}_{a_{3}a_{4}}\varepsilon_{i_{1}i_{2}}\varepsilon_{i_{3}i_{4}} \\ & \dots \\ \mathcal{O}_{4f}^{8} &= \frac{1}{128\pi^{2}\Lambda_{2}}(\psi^{i_{1}}{}_{a_{1}}\psi^{i_{2}}{}_{a_{2}})(\psi^{i_{3}}{}_{a_{3}}\psi^{i_{4}}{}_{a_{4}})\Sigma^{a_{1}a_{2}}\Sigma^{a_{3}a_{4}}\left(\varepsilon_{i_{1}i_{4}}\varepsilon_{i_{2}i_{3}}-\varepsilon_{i_{1}i_{3}}\varepsilon_{i_{2}i_{4}}\right) \\ \mathcal{O}_{\Pi f} &= \frac{i}{32\pi^{2}}(\psi^{\dagger^{i_{1}a_{1}}}\bar{\sigma}_{\mu}\psi^{i_{2}}{}_{a_{2}})\Sigma^{\dagger}_{a_{1}a_{3}}\overleftarrow{D}^{\mu}\Sigma^{a_{3}a_{2}}\varepsilon_{i_{1}i_{2}} \end{split}$$

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 Now: numerical analysis, reproducing masses & mixings of (partially composite) SM spectrum, varying all free parameters (fundamental & "TC-hadronic")

Sannino et al. 1712.07646

## Predictions for $R_{K^{(*)}}$ Sannino et al. 1712.07646



- ► Taking into account constraints from Z pole EWPT,  $\Delta F = 2$
- We can explain all  $R_{K^{(*)}}$  anomalies!

## Predictions for $R_{D(*)}$ Sannino et al. 1712.07646



• Taking into account LEP Z pole constraints, we cannot explain  $R_D$  and  $R_{D*}$ 

#### Conclusions

- Several tantalizing anomalies in B physics:
  - ►  $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$  branching ratios and angular observables: subject to hadronic uncertainties but statistically significant
  - ►  $R_K \& R_K^*$ : theoretically very clean but statistically not too significant. But perfectly consistent with  $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$  anomalies!
  - ▶  $R_D \& R_D^*$ : theoretically clean & statistically significant
- ► We are running out of theory excuses to explain away these anomalies!
- Combined NP explanation of all anomalies possible!
- Experimental prospects very promising
  - $R_K \& R_K^*$  from LHC Run 2
  - Upcoming Belle-II experiment with clean e<sup>+</sup>-e<sup>-</sup> environment