





Rare Decays at LHCb

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Study FCNC processes with "precise" SM prediction

- ◆ Measure Branching fractions, angular distributions, CP asymmetries
- If no NP found, *models beyond SM are constrained*, or NP enters a higher energy scale!
- Also search for SM forbidden processes: LFV and LNV

Introduction

• FCNC can be described by an effective hamiltonian



- Wilson coefficients (C_i, Left H, C_i'Right H) are related with observables
- Operators depends on hadronic form factors (theoretical uncertainties)

• Rare B decays and its relevant terms:

- $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ (C₁₀, C_S, C_P Scalar and Pseudo-scalar)
- 1 $BR(B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-) \propto m_{\mu}^2 \left(\left| (C_{10}^{SM} + C_{10}^{NP} C_{10}') \frac{m_{B_s}}{2m_{\mu}} (C_{SP} + C_{SP}') \right|^2 + \left| \frac{m_{B_s}}{2m_{\mu}} (C_{SP} C_{SP}') \right|^2 \right)$
- b \rightarrow s l⁺l⁻ (C₇ and C₉, C₁₀ EW penguin)



RD Analyses

- Very rare decays
 - ★ B_(s)→µµ [arXiv:1411.4413, Nature 552 (2015)
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Radiative decays

■ b→sγ, γ polarization [1fb⁻¹/arXiv: 1402.6852, PRL **112** (2014) 161801]

● b→sll

- ◆ B →K*ee [arXiv:1501.03038, JHEP 04 (2015) 064]
- Angular distributions B → K*µµ
 [LHCB-CONF-2015-002]
- $\mathbf{B}_{s} \rightarrow \phi \mu \mu$ [LHCB-PAPER-2015-023]
- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda \mu \mu [arXiv:1503.07138]$
- ◆ Diff. BR B→K^(*)µµ [arXiv:1403.8044, JHEP 06 (2014) 133]

Lepton Universality

- ◆ $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu \mu$, $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ ee$ [arXiv:1406.648, PRL 113 (2014) 151601]
- "Forbidden" decays: LFV, LNV
- $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$ [arXiv:1409.8548, JHEP 02 (2015) 121]
- $\mathbf{B}^{-} \rightarrow \pi^{+} \mu^{-} \mu^{-}$ [arXiv:1401.5361, PRL 112 (2014) 131802]

LHCb detector

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LHCb detector

- single-arm spectrometer ($2 < \eta < 5$)
- ◆ B, B_s, B⁺,D, Λ_b , ... produced at LHCb
- trigger on μ e, hadrons with "low" P_T
 efficiency on dimuon channels ~90%
- precise vertex (IP ~20 μm at high P_T)
- excellent momentum resolution $\Delta p/p \approx 0.5 \%$
- ◆ good particle ID (>97% μ-eff, 1-3% mis-ID)

• LHCb operation

- "beautifully"
- operating @ 2 nominal luminosity
- Integrated luminosity 3 fb⁻¹
 (2 fb⁻¹ 8 TeV, 1 fb⁻¹ 7 TeV)





Lepton Universality $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ l^+ l^-$

• Ratio of $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$, $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ e^+ e^-$ as test of lepton universality

$$R_{K} = \frac{\int_{q_{\min}^{2}}^{q_{\max}^{2}} \frac{d\Gamma[B^{+} \to K^{+}\mu^{+}\mu^{-}]}{dq^{2}} dq^{2}}{\int_{q_{\min}^{2}}^{q_{\max}^{2}} \frac{d\Gamma[B^{+} \to K^{+}e^{+}e^{-}]}{dq^{2}} dq^{2}},$$



- uncertainties cancel on the ratio, q² [1,6] GeV²/c⁴
- in SM is almost one, deviations of $\theta(10^{-3})$
- LHCb analysis:
- relative measurement with respect $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ J/\psi(l^+l^-)$





reconstruction of the e with bremsstrahlung photons



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(Lepton Universality $B^+ \rightarrow D^{*+} l^- v$)



- Ratio of $B \rightarrow D^* \mu^- \nu$, $B \rightarrow D^* \tau^- \nu$ as test of lepton universality
 - Ratio affected for charged Higgs
 - BaBar published results on tension 2.7(2) σ for D*(D) ratios [PRD 88 (2013) 072012], Belle preliminary (see this workshop)
- LHCb analysis:
 - trigger and selection without using μ to not bias kinematics
 - selecting: $\tau \rightarrow \mu^- \nu \nu$, $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0(K\pi)\pi^+$
 - required separation and isolation of vertices: B, D*, τ using MVA
 - reconstruct kinematical variables: $p_{B,z} = p_{D^*,z} + p_{\mu,z}$, $M_{mis}^2 = (p_B p_D * p_\mu)^2$
 - fit M_{mis}², q², E_μ using templates from simulation for signal and background but validated with data





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- Consistent with SM!
- **ratio** C' $_7/C_7$ is consistent with 0
- more precise than from radiative decays
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modeling







- Control channel $B \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+\mu^-) K^*$, remove $J/\psi, \psi(2S)$ resonances
 - veto peaking background due to mis-id: $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK^-\mu^+\mu^-$, Bs $\rightarrow \phi (K^+K^-)\mu^+\mu^-$
- Full fit in q² angles, mass and also K* mass and S-wave contribution
 - angular acceptance parameterized with Legendre polynomials, check with control channel
 - events are weighted according with acceptance
 - background angular distribution parameterized using Chebychev Polynomials (2nd degree)



Angular Analysis $B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$

SM: arXiv:1503.05534, arXiv:1411.3161





But tension on S₅





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In agreement with SM



$B_{(s)} \rightarrow \mu \mu$

Combined LHCb and CMS search

simultaneous analysis, shared signal and nuisance parameters



B_s \rightarrow µµ first observation (6.2 σ) and B \rightarrow µµ with 3 σ significance!

In agreement with SM!, stringent constraint for BSM!



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Conclusions

- Rare hadron b decays allow us to explore *indirectly NP*
- Stringent constraints for BSM due to the LHCb+CMS observation of $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and the evidence of $B \rightarrow \mu\mu$ in agreement with SM
- ◆ LHCb rare B decays are largely in agreement with SM
- But there are some tantalizing tensions:
 - In the lepton universality ratio from $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ l^+ l^-$
 - In one observable, P'5, of the angular distributions of $B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$, there is a local discrepancy with SM at ~3.7 σ
 - They can be accommodated in a global fit of Wilson Coefficients, with preferred solution: C^{NP}₉~-1.1
- ◆ LHCb is running again!
 - $B_{(s)} \rightarrow \mu \mu$ analysis will enter in a different era!
 - Expectation about updates on the angular distribution of $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ processes
 - And pay attention to the checks of the lepton universality



LFV: $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$

• Search for LFV with $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$

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- large inclusive production from b,c
- separation using two discriminants (geometric, 3 body, and PID) and τ mass
- normalization and control channel $D_{s}^{-} \rightarrow \phi(\mu\mu)\pi^{-}$



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- ◆ LHCb analysis
 - relative measurement with respect $B \rightarrow K + J/\psi(1+1-)$
 - reconstruction of the e with bremsstrahlung photons
 - in different trigger categories (e,h,other)
 - efficiencies from simulation, corrected with data
 - range q2 [1, 6] GeV2





$$R_{K} = \left(\frac{\mathcal{N}_{K^{+}\mu^{+}\mu^{-}}}{\mathcal{N}_{K^{+}e^{+}e^{-}}}\right) \left(\frac{\mathcal{N}_{J/\psi(e^{+}e^{-})K^{+}}}{\mathcal{N}_{J/\psi(\mu^{+}\mu^{-})K^{+}}}\right) \times \left(\frac{\epsilon_{K^{+}e^{+}e^{-}}}{\epsilon_{K^{+}\mu^{+}\mu^{-}}}\right) \left(\frac{\epsilon_{J/\psi(\mu^{+}\mu^{-})K^{+}}}{\epsilon_{J/\psi(e^{+}e^{-})K^{+}}}\right),$$

 $R_K = 0.745^{+0.090}_{-0.074}$ (stat) ± 0.036 (syst).