



Rare decays at LHCb

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Muonic B decays

- $\Rightarrow \text{Br } B_s^0/B_d^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu/\tau\tau.$
- $\Rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{Ang. } B \rightarrow K^* \mu\mu.$
- $\Rightarrow \text{Br} + \text{Ang. } B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi\mu\mu.$
- $\Rightarrow \text{Isospin } B \rightarrow K\mu\mu.$
- $\Rightarrow \text{CP asymmetry } B \rightarrow \pi\mu\mu.$

Charm decays

- $\Rightarrow D \rightarrow \pi\pi\mu\mu$
- $\Rightarrow D \rightarrow K\pi\mu\mu$
- $\Rightarrow D \rightarrow e\mu.$

- \Rightarrow Enormous Physics program which is constantly expanding.
- \Rightarrow Will cover only part of the results.

LFU test

- $\Rightarrow B^+ \rightarrow K^+ ll$
- $\Rightarrow B_d^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} ll$

- \Rightarrow See G.Andreassi talk for LUV!!!

Strange decays

- $\Rightarrow K_S^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu.$

Radiative decays

- $\Rightarrow B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$
- $\Rightarrow B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \gamma$
- $\Rightarrow B_s^0/B_d^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma$

- \Rightarrow See H.Evans talk.

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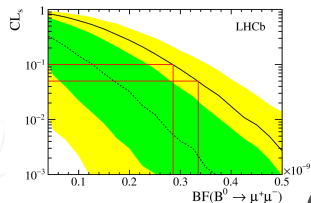
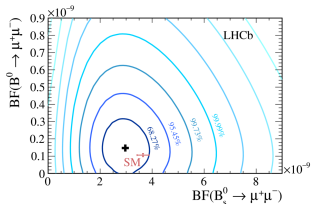
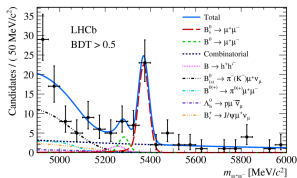
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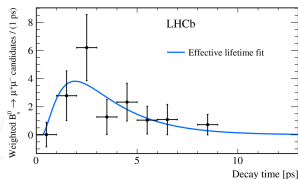
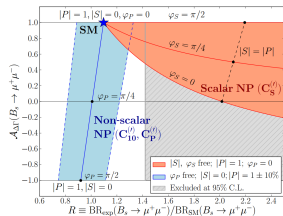
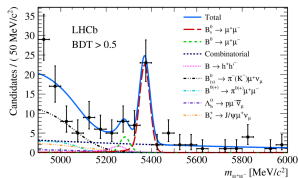
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⇒ NP sensitivity enhanced due to the high τ mass.

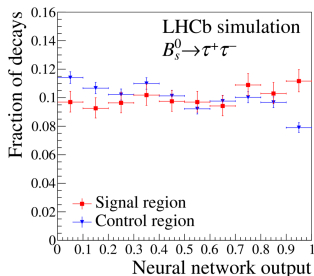
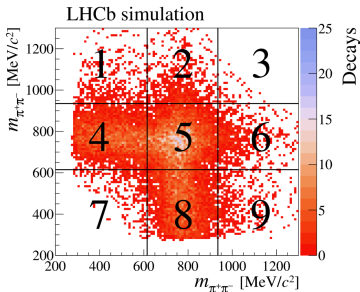
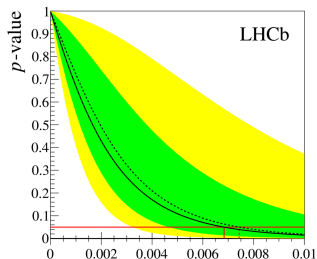
⇒ More challenging: at least 2ν are escaping.

⇒ Selecting $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi\nu$, $\rightarrow 9.31\%$

⇒ Normalization channel:

$$B \rightarrow D(K\pi\pi)D_s(KK\pi).$$

⇒ No peak in the B mass window
 \rightarrow fit the NN output.



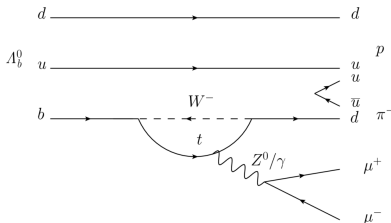
$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi\mu\mu$$

⇒ First observation of $b \rightarrow d$ in baryon system!

⇒ BDT selection trained on MC

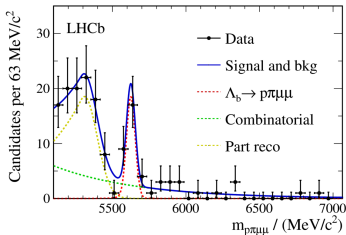
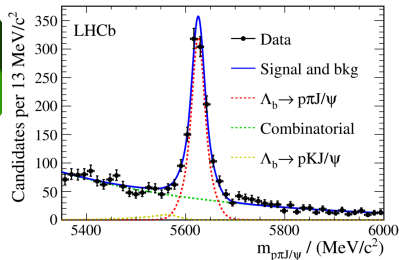
⇒ Normalized to $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi J/\psi$

⇒ With further QCD improvements we will be able to measure $\left| \frac{V_{ts}}{V_{td}} \right|$.



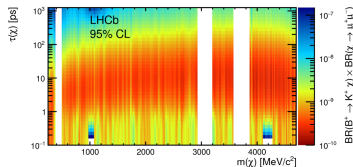
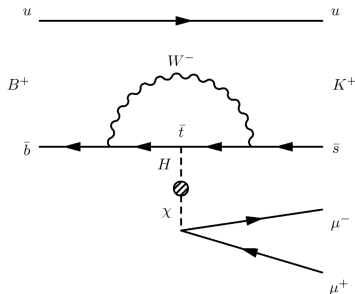
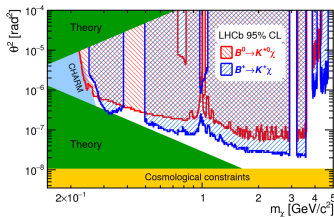
⇒ $\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi\mu\mu)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi J/\psi)} = 0.044 \pm 0.012 \pm 0.007$

⇒ 5.5 σ significance! ⇒ First observation.



$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi\mu\mu) = (6.9 \pm 1.9 \pm 1.1^{+1.3}_{-1.0}) \times 10^{-8}$$

- ⇒ Hidden sector models are gathering more and more attention.
- ⇒ Inflaton model: new scalar then mixes with the Higgs.
- ⇒ B decays are sensitive as the inflaton might be light.
- ⇒ Searched for long living particle χ produced in: $B \rightarrow \chi(\mu\mu)K$.
- ⇒ Analysis performed blindly as a peak search.
- ⇒ Light inflaton essentially ruled out:



⇒ pp collisions create enormous amount of strange mesons.

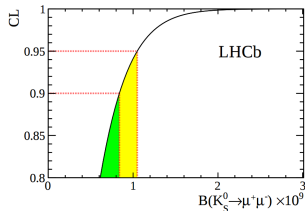
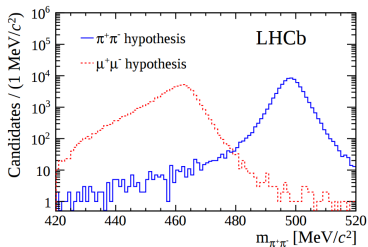
⇒ Can be used to search for $K_S^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu$.

⇒ SM prediction:

$$\mathcal{B}(K_S^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu) = (5.0 \pm 1.5) \times 10^{-12}$$

⇒ Dominated by the long distance effects.

⇒ Bkg dominated by $K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi\pi$.



⇒ No significant enhanced of signal has been observed and UL was set:

$$\mathcal{B}(K_S^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu) < 0.8(1.0) \times 10^{-9} \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ CL}$$

$B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu^- \mu^+$ decay

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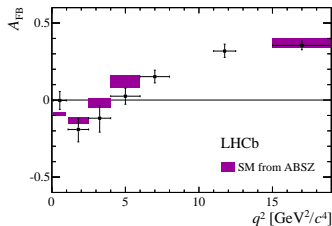
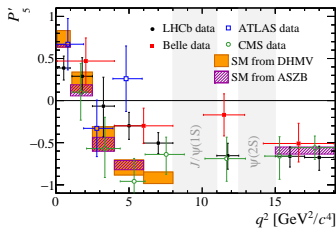
$\Rightarrow B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu^- \mu^+$ is a smoking gun for NP hunting!

\Rightarrow Reach angular observables makes is sensitive to different NP models

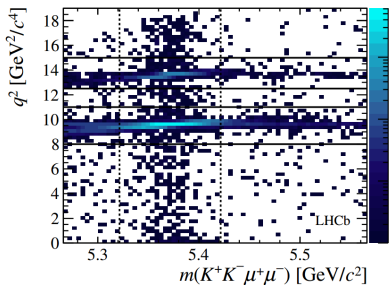
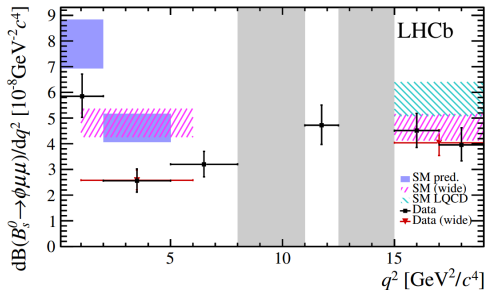
\Rightarrow In addition one can construct less form factor dependent observables:

$$P'_5 = \frac{S_5}{\sqrt{F_L(1 - F_L)}}$$

\Rightarrow In single analysis observed 3.4 σ discrepancy in the C_9 WC.

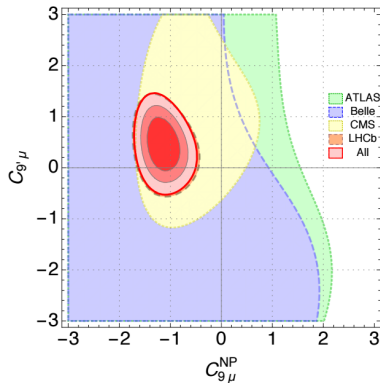
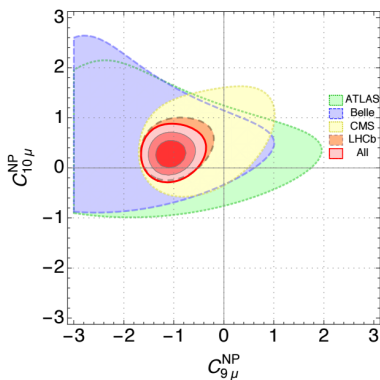


Branching fraction measurements of $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu \mu$



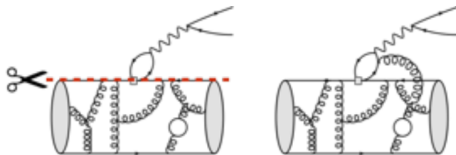
- Recent LHCb measurement, [JHEP09 \(2015\) 179](#).
- Suppressed by $\frac{f_s}{f_d}$.
- Cleaner because of narrow ϕ resonance.
- 3.3σ deviation in SM in the $1 - 6 \text{GeV}^2$ bin.
- Angular part in agreement with SM (S_5 is not accessible).

- A fit prepared by S. Descotes-Genon, L. Hofer, J. Matias, J. Virto.
- The data can be explained by modifying the C_9 Wilson coefficient.
- Overall there is $> 4\sigma$ discrepancy wrt. the SM prediction.



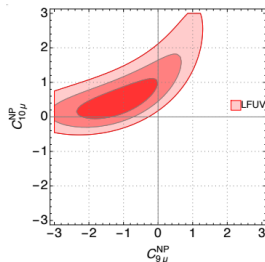
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⇒ See F.Polci talk.

Measurement of phase difference

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⇒ One could try to measure the phase difference between the resonances and the nonresonant amplitudes to see if the interference is large enough to explain the effects.

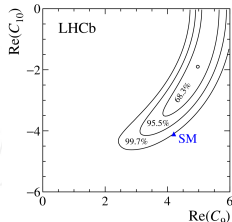
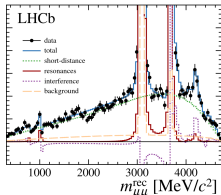
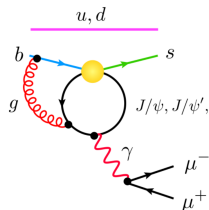
⇒ Measured firstly done for the decay $B \rightarrow K\mu\mu$.

⇒ The analysis based:

$$C_9^{\text{eff}} = C_9 + Y(q^2) = C_9 + \sum_j \eta_j e^{i\delta_j} A_j^{\text{res}}(q^2)$$

⇒ The amplitudes are modelled Briet-Wigner and Flatte functions.

⇒ Interference cannot explain the observed anomalies.



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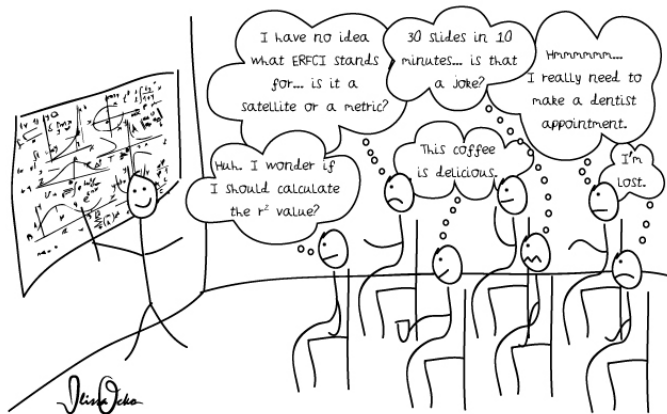
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“... when you have eliminated all the Standard Model explanations, whatever remains, however improbable, must be New Physics.”

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Thank you for the attention!



Backup

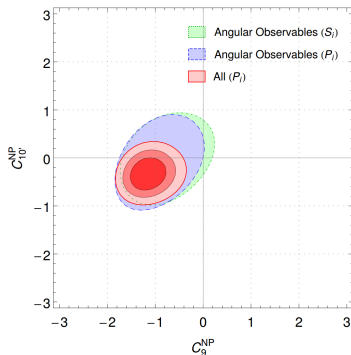
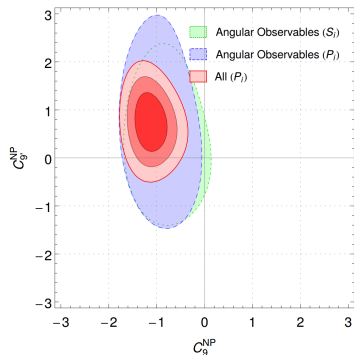
Theory implications

Coefficient	Best fit	1σ	3σ	Pull _{SM}	p-value (%)
C_7^{NP}	-0.02	[-0.04, -0.00]	[-0.07, 0.04]	1.1	16.0
C_9^{NP}	-1.11	[-1.32, -0.89]	[-1.71, -0.40]	4.5	62.0
C_{10}^{NP}	0.58	[0.34, 0.84]	[-0.11, 1.41]	2.5	25.0
$C_{7'}^{\text{NP}}$	0.02	[-0.01, 0.04]	[-0.05, 0.09]	0.7	15.0
$C_{9'}^{\text{NP}}$	0.49	[0.21, 0.77]	[-0.33, 1.35]	1.8	19.0
$C_{10'}^{\text{NP}}$	-0.27	[-0.46, -0.08]	[-0.84, 0.28]	1.4	17.0
$C_9^{\text{NP}} = C_{10}^{\text{NP}}$	-0.21	[-0.40, 0.00]	[-0.74, 0.55]	1.0	16.0
$C_9^{\text{NP}} = -C_{10}^{\text{NP}}$	-0.69	[-0.88, -0.51]	[-1.27, -0.18]	4.1	55.0
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Table 2: *Best-fit points, confidence intervals, pulls for the SM hypothesis and p-values for different one-dimensional NP scenarios.*

If not NP?

- How about our clean P_i observables?
- The QCD cancel as mentioned only at leading order.
- Comparison to normal observables with the optimised ones.



Transversity amplitudes

⇒ One can link the angular observables to transversity amplitudes

$$J_{1s} = \frac{(2 + \beta_\ell^2)}{4} \left[|A_\perp^L|^2 + |A_\parallel^L|^2 + |A_\perp^R|^2 + |A_\parallel^R|^2 \right] + \frac{4m_\ell^2}{q} \operatorname{Re} \left(A_\perp^L A_\perp^{R*} + A_\parallel^L A_\parallel^{R*} \right),$$

$$J_{1c} = |A_0^L|^2 + |A_0^R|^2 + \frac{4m_\ell^2}{q} \left[|A_t|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}(A_0^L A_0^{R*}) \right] + \beta_\ell^2 |A_S|^2,$$

$$J_{2s} = \frac{\beta_\ell^2}{4} \left[|A_\perp^L|^2 + |A_\parallel^L|^2 + |A_\perp^R|^2 + |A_\parallel^R|^2 \right], \quad J_{2c} = -\beta_\ell^2 \left[|A_0^L|^2 + |A_0^R|^2 \right],$$

$$J_3 = \frac{1}{2} \beta_\ell^2 \left[|A_\perp^L|^2 - |A_\parallel^L|^2 + |A_\perp^R|^2 - |A_\parallel^R|^2 \right], \quad J_4 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \beta_\ell^2 \left[\operatorname{Re}(A_0^L A_\parallel^{L*} + A_0^R A_\parallel^{R*}) \right],$$

$$J_5 = \sqrt{2} \beta_\ell \left[\operatorname{Re}(A_0^L A_\perp^{L*} - A_0^R A_\perp^{R*}) - \frac{m_\ell}{\sqrt{q^2}} \operatorname{Re}(A_\parallel^L A_S^* + A_\parallel^{R*} A_S) \right],$$

$$J_{6s} = 2\beta_\ell \left[\operatorname{Re}(A_\parallel^L A_\perp^{L*} - A_\parallel^R A_\perp^{R*}) \right], \quad J_{6c} = 4\beta_\ell \frac{m_\ell}{\sqrt{q^2}} \operatorname{Re}(A_0^L A_S^* + A_0^{R*} A_S),$$

$$J_7 = \sqrt{2} \beta_\ell \left[\operatorname{Im}(A_0^L A_\parallel^{L*} - A_0^R A_\parallel^{R*}) + \frac{m_\ell}{\sqrt{q^2}} \operatorname{Im}(A_\perp^L A_S^* - A_\perp^{R*} A_S) \right],$$

$$J_8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \beta_\ell^2 \left[\operatorname{Im}(A_0^L A_\perp^{L*} + A_0^R A_\perp^{R*}) \right], \quad J_9 = \beta_\ell^2 \left[\operatorname{Im}(A_\parallel^{L*} A_\perp^L + A_\parallel^{R*} A_\perp^R) \right],$$

Link to effective operators

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⇒ Now we can construct observables that cancel the ξ form factors at leading order:

$$P'_5 = \frac{J_5 + \bar{J}_5}{2\sqrt{-(J_2^c + \bar{J}_2^c)(J_2^s + \bar{J}_2^s)}}$$

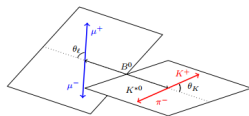
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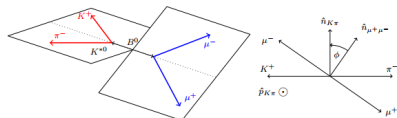
$\Rightarrow \cos \theta_k$: the angle between the direction of the kaon in the K^* (\bar{K}^*) rest frame and the direction of the K^* (\bar{K}^*) in the B^0 (\bar{B}^0) rest frame.

$\Rightarrow \cos \theta_l$: the angle between the direction of the μ^- (μ^+) in the dimuon rest frame and the direction of the dimuon in the B^0 (\bar{B}^0) rest frame.

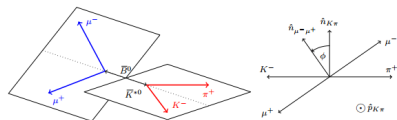
$\Rightarrow \phi$: the angle between the plane containing the μ^- and μ^+ and the plane containing the kaon and pion from the K^* .



(a) θ_k and θ_l definitions for the B^0 decay



(b) ϕ definition for the B^0 decay



(c) ϕ definition for the \bar{B}^0 decay

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\Rightarrow This is the most general expression of this kind of decay.

\Rightarrow The CP averaged angular observables are defined:

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⇒ Now we can construct observables that cancel the ξ soft form factors at leading order:

$$P'_5 = \frac{J_5 + \bar{J}_5}{2\sqrt{-(J_2^c + \bar{J}_2^c)(J_2^s + \bar{J}_2^s)}}$$

Symmetries in $B \rightarrow K^* \mu \mu$

⇒ We have 12 angular coefficients (S_i).

⇒ There exist 4 symmetry transformations that leave the angular distributions unchanged:

$$n_{\parallel} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{\parallel}^L \\ A_{R^*}^L \end{pmatrix}, \quad n_{\perp} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{\perp}^L \\ -A_{\perp}^L \end{pmatrix}, \quad n_0 = \begin{pmatrix} A_0^L \\ A_0^L \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$n_i' = U n_i = \begin{bmatrix} e^{i\phi_L} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\phi_R} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cosh i\tilde{\theta} & -\sinh i\tilde{\theta} \\ -\sinh i\tilde{\theta} & \cosh i\tilde{\theta} \end{bmatrix} n_i.$$

⇒ Using this symmetries one can show that there are 8 independent observables. The pdf can be written as:

$$\frac{1}{d(\Gamma + \bar{\Gamma})/dq^2} \frac{d(\Gamma + \bar{\Gamma})}{d\cos\theta_l d\cos\theta_k d\phi} \Big|_P = \frac{9}{32\pi} \left[\frac{3}{4}(1 - F_L) \sin^2 \theta_k \right. \\ \left. + F_L \cos^2 \theta_k + \frac{1}{4}(1 - F_L) \sin^2 \theta_k \cos 2\theta_l \right. \\ \left. - F_L \cos^2 \theta_k \cos 2\theta_l + S_3 \sin^2 \theta_k \sin^2 \theta_l \cos 2\phi \right. \\ \left. + S_4 \sin 2\theta_k \sin 2\theta_l \cos \phi + S_5 \sin 2\theta_k \sin \theta_l \cos \phi \right. \\ \left. + \frac{4}{3} A_{\text{FB}} \sin^2 \theta_k \cos \theta_l + S_7 \sin 2\theta_k \sin \theta_l \sin \phi \right. \\ \left. + S_8 \sin 2\theta_k \sin 2\theta_l \sin \phi + S_9 \sin^2 \theta_k \sin^2 \theta_l \sin 2\phi \right].$$