Anomalies in Flavour Physics

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Outline

- 1. Why flavour is important.
- 2. $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ theory in a nutshell.
- 3. LHCb measurements of $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$.
- 4. Global fit to $b \to s \ell \ell$ measurements.
- 5. Conclusions.

A lesson from history - GIM mechanism



- Cabibbo angle was successful in explaining dozens of decay rates in the 1960s.
- There was, however, one that was not observed by experiments: $K^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+$.
- Glashow, Iliopoulos, Maiani (GIM) mechanism was proposed in the 1970 to fix this problem. The mechanism required the existence of the 4th quark.
- At that point most of the people were skeptical about that. Fortunately in 1974 the discovery of the J/ψ meson silenced the skeptics.



A lesson from history - CKM matrix



- Similarly CP violation was discovered in 1960s in the neutral kaons decays.
- 2×2 Cabbibo matrix could not allow for any CP violation.
- For the CP violation to be possible one needs at least a 3 × 3 unitary matrix
 ↔ Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix (1973).
- It predicts existence of *b* (1977) and *t* (1995) guarks.



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A lesson from history - Weak neutral current



- Weak neutral currents were first, introduced in 1958 by Buldman.
- Later on they were naturally incorporated into unification of weak and electromagnetic interactions.
- 't Hooft proved that the GWS models was renormalizable.
- Everything was there on theory side, only missing piece was the experiment, till 1973.



Modern challenges: loops come in to the game

- Standard Model contributions suppressed or absent:
 - Flavour Changing Neutral Currents.
 - CP violation
 - Lepton Flavour/Number or Lepton Universality violation.
- In general can probe physics beyond General Purpose Detectors reach.





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$>2~\sigma$ deviations from SM

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Now let's move back and see the theory behind the $B^0 \to K^* \mu^- \mu^+$ and P_5' .

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Tools in rare B^0 decays

Operator Product Expansion and Effective Field Theory

$$H_{eff} = -\frac{4G_f}{\sqrt{2}}VV'^* \sum_{i} \left[\underbrace{\underbrace{C_i(\mu)O_i(\mu)}_{\text{left-handed}} + \underbrace{C_i'(\mu)O_i'(\mu)}_{\text{right-handed}}}_{\text{right-handed}} \right], \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{i=1.2 Iree} \\ \text{i=3-6.8 Gluon penguin} \\ \text{i=7 Photon penguin} \\ \text{i=5 Scalar penguin} \\ \text{i=5 Scalar penguin} \\ \text{i=P pre-inducted penguin} \\ \text{i=P pre-inducte$$

where C_i are the Wilson coefficients and O_i are the corresponding effective operators.



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 \Rightarrow The kinematics of $B^0 \to K^* \mu^- \mu^+$ decay is described by three angles θ_l , θ_k , ϕ and invariant mass of the dimuon system (q^2) .

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

⇒ ϕ : the angle between the plane containing the μ^- and μ^+ and the plane containing the kaon and pion from the K^* .



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$$\frac{d^{4}\Gamma}{dq^{2} \operatorname{dcos} \theta_{K} \operatorname{dcos} \theta_{l} \operatorname{d}\phi} = \frac{9}{32\pi} \left[J_{1s} \sin^{2} \theta_{K} + J_{1c} \cos^{2} \theta_{K} + (J_{2s} \sin^{2} \theta_{K} + J_{2c} \cos^{2} \theta_{K}) \cos 2\theta_{l} \right. \\ \left. + J_{3} \sin^{2} \theta_{K} \sin^{2} \theta_{l} \cos 2\phi + J_{4} \sin 2\theta_{K} \sin 2\theta_{l} \cos \phi + J_{5} \sin 2\theta_{K} \sin \theta_{l} \cos \phi \right. \\ \left. + (J_{6s} \sin^{2} \theta_{K} + J_{6c} \cos^{2} \theta_{K}) \cos \theta_{l} + J_{7} \sin 2\theta_{K} \sin \theta_{l} \sin \phi + J_{8} \sin 2\theta_{K} \sin 2\theta_{l} \sin \phi \right. \\ \left. + J_{9} \sin^{2} \theta_{K} \sin^{2} \theta_{l} \sin 2\phi \right],$$

$$(1)$$

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

Transversity amplitudes

 \Rightarrow One can link the angular observables to transversity amplitudes

$$\begin{split} J_{1s} &= \frac{(2+\beta_{\ell}^2)}{4} \left[|A_{\perp}^L|^2 + |A_{\parallel}^R|^2 + |A_{\perp}^R|^2 + |A_{\parallel}^R|^2 \right] + \frac{4m_{\ell}^2}{q^2} \operatorname{Re} \left(A_{\perp}^L A_{\perp}^{R*} + A_{\parallel}^L A_{\parallel}^{R*} \right) \,, \\ J_{1c} &= |A_0^L|^2 + |A_0^R|^2 + \frac{4m_{\ell}^2}{q^2} \left[|A_t|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}(A_0^L A_0^{R*}) \right] + \beta_{\ell}^2 |A_S|^2 \,, \\ J_{2s} &= \frac{\beta_{\ell}^2}{4} \left[|A_{\perp}^L|^2 + |A_{\parallel}^R|^2 + |A_{\perp}^R|^2 + |A_{\parallel}^R|^2 \right] \,, \qquad J_{2c} = -\beta_{\ell}^2 \left[|A_0^L|^2 + |A_0^R|^2 \right] \,, \\ J_3 &= \frac{1}{2} \beta_{\ell}^2 \left[|A_{\perp}^L|^2 - |A_{\parallel}^L|^2 + |A_{\perp}^R|^2 - |A_{\parallel}^R|^2 \right] \,, \qquad J_4 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \beta_{\ell}^2 \left[\operatorname{Re}(A_0^L A_{\parallel}^{L*} + A_0^R A_{\parallel}^{R*}) \right] \,, \\ J_5 &= \sqrt{2} \beta_{\ell} \left[\operatorname{Re}(A_0^L A_{\perp}^{L*} - A_0^R A_{\perp}^{R*}) - \frac{m_{\ell}}{\sqrt{q^2}} \operatorname{Re}(A_{\parallel}^L A_{S}^* + A_{\parallel}^{R*} A_{S}) \right] \,, \\ J_{6s} &= 2\beta_{\ell} \left[\operatorname{Re}(A_{\parallel}^L A_{\perp}^{L*} - A_{\parallel}^R A_{\perp}^{R*}) \right] \,, \qquad J_{6c} = 4\beta_{\ell} \, \frac{m_{\ell}}{\sqrt{q^2}} \operatorname{Re}(A_0^L A_{S}^* + A_0^{R*} A_{S}) \,. \end{split}$$

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

 $J_8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \beta_\ell^2 \left[\operatorname{Im}(\mathbf{A}_0^{\mathrm{L}} \mathbf{A}_{\perp}^{\mathrm{L}} * + \mathbf{A}_0^{\mathrm{R}} \mathbf{A}_{\perp}^{\mathrm{R}}) \right], \qquad \qquad J_9 = \beta_\ell^2 \left[\operatorname{Im}(\mathbf{A}_{\parallel}^{\mathrm{L}} * \mathbf{A}_{\perp}^{\mathrm{L}} + \mathbf{A}_{\parallel}^{\mathrm{R}} * \mathbf{A}_{\perp}^{\mathrm{R}}) \right], \qquad \qquad J_9 = \beta_\ell^2 \left[\operatorname{Im}(\mathbf{A}_{\parallel}^{\mathrm{L}} * \mathbf{A}_{\perp}^{\mathrm{L}} + \mathbf{A}_{\parallel}^{\mathrm{R}} * \mathbf{A}_{\perp}^{\mathrm{R}}) \right],$

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Link to effective operators

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where $\hat{s} = q^2/m_B^2$, $\hat{m}_i = m_i/m_B$. The $\xi_{\parallel,\perp}$ are the form factors. \Rightarrow Now we can construct observables that cancel the ξ form factors at leading order:

$$P_5' = \frac{J_5 + \bar{J}_5}{2\sqrt{-(J_2^c + \bar{J}_2^c)(J_2^s + \bar{J}_2^s)}}$$
(4)

LHCb detector - tracking



- Excellent Impact Parameter (IP) resolution (20 μ m). \Rightarrow Identify secondary vertices from heavy flavour decays
- Proper time resolution $\sim 40 \ {\rm fs}.$
 - \Rightarrow Good separation of primary and secondary vertices.
- Excellent momentum ($\delta p/p \sim 0.4 0.6\%$) and inv. mass resolution. \Rightarrow Low combinatorial background.

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 $L \sim 7 \,\mathrm{mm} \mathrm{SV}$

LHCb detector - particle identification





- Excellent Muon identification $\epsilon_{\mu
 ightarrow \mu} \sim 97\%$, $\epsilon_{\pi
 ightarrow \mu} \sim 1-3\%$
- Good $K \pi$ separation via RICH detectors, $\epsilon_{K \to K} \sim 95\%$, $\epsilon_{\pi \to K} \sim 5\%$. \Rightarrow Reject peaking backgrounds.
- High trigger efficiencies, low momentum thresholds. Muons: $p_T > 1.76 \text{GeV}$ at L0, $p_T > 1.0 \text{GeV}$ at HLT1, $B \rightarrow J/\psi X$: Trigger $\sim 90\%$.

LHCb update of the $B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu^- \mu^+$, Selection

- PID, kinematics and isolation variables used in a Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) to discriminate signal and background.
- Reject the regions of $J\!/\psi$ and $\psi(2S).$
- Specific vetos for backgrounds: $\Lambda_{\!b} \to p K \mu \mu$, $B^0_s \to \phi \mu \mu$, etc.
- Using k-Fold technique and signal proxy $B \to J/\psi K^*$ for training the BDT.
- Improved selection allowed for finer binning than the $1 {\rm fb}^{-1}$ analysis.



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LHCb update of the $B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu^- \mu^+$, Selection

- Signal modelled by a sum of two Crystal-Ball functions.
- Shape is defined using $B \to J/\psi K^*$ and corrected for q^2 dependency.
- Combinatorial background modelled by exponent.

- $K\pi$ system:
 - Rel. Breit Wigner for P-wave
 - Lass model for the S-wave.
 - Linear model for background.



- In total we found 2398 ± 57 candidates in the $(0.1,19)~{\rm GeV^2}$ q^2 region.
- 624 ± 30 candidates in the theoretically the most interesting $(1.1-6.0)~{\rm GeV}^2$ region.

Detector acceptance

- Detector distorts our angular distribution.
- We need to model this effect.
- 4D function is used:

$$\epsilon(\cos\theta_l,\cos\theta_k,\phi,q^2) = \sum_{ijkl} P_i(\cos\theta_l) P_j(\cos\theta_k) P_k(\phi) P_l(q^2),$$

where P_i is the Legendre polynomial of order i.

• We use up to $4^{th}, 5^{th}, 6^{th}, 5^{th}$ order for the $\cos \theta_l, \cos \theta_k, \phi, q^2$.



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Control channel

- We tested our unfolding procedure on $B \rightarrow J/\psi K^*$.
- The result is in perfect agreement with other experiments and our different analysis of this decay.



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Results in $B \to K^* \mu \mu$



- Tension with 3 fb^{-1} gets confirmed!
- The two bins deviate both in $2.8~\sigma$ from SM prediction.
- Result compatible with previous result.

Branching fraction measurements of $B \rightarrow K^{*\pm} \mu \mu$



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



- Recent LHCb measurement [JHEPP09 (2015) 179].
- Suppressed by $\frac{f_s}{f_d}$.
- Cleaner because of narrow ϕ resonance.
- 3.3σ deviation in SM in the $1-6 {
 m GeV}^2$ bin.

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Angular analysis of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda \mu \mu$

• For the bins in which we have $> 3 \sigma$ significance the forward backward asymmetry for the hadronic and leptonic system.



- A_{FB}^{H} is in good agreement with SM.
- A_{FB}^{ℓ} always in above SM prediction.

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Lepton universality test

- If Z' is responsible for the P'_5 anomaly, does it couple equally to all flavours? $R_{\rm K} = \frac{\int_{q^2=1}^{q^2=6\,{\rm GeV}^2/c^4} ({\rm d}\mathcal{B}[B^+ \to K^+\mu^+\mu^-]/{\rm d}q^2){\rm d}q^2}{\int_{q^2=1}^{q^2=6\,{\rm GeV}^2/c^4} ({\rm d}\mathcal{B}[B^+ \to K^+e^+e^-]/{\rm d}q^2){\rm d}q^2} = 1 \pm \mathcal{O}(10^{-3}) \ .$
- Challenging analysis due to bremsstrahlung.
- Migration of events modeled by MC.
- Correct for bremsstrahlung.
- Take double ratio with $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$ to cancel systematics.
- In 3fb⁻¹, LHCb measures $R_K = 0.745^{+0.090}_{-0.074}(stat.)^{+0.036}_{-0.036}(syst.)$
- Consistent with SM at 2.6σ .



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Angular analysis of $B^0 \rightarrow K^* ee$

- With the full data set $(3fb^{-1})$ we performed angular analysis in $0.0004 < q^2 < 1 \ {\rm GeV}^2$.
- Electrons channels are extremely challenging experimentally:
 - Bremsstrahlung.
 - Trigger efficiencies.
- Determine the angular observables: $F_{
 m L}$, $A_{
 m T}^{
 m (2)}$, $A_{
 m T}^{
 m Re}$, $A_{
 m T}^{
 m Im}$:

$$\begin{split} F_{\rm L} &= \frac{|A_0|^2}{|A_0|^2 + |A_{||}|^2 + |A_{\perp}|^2} \\ A_{\rm T}^{(2)} &= \frac{|A_{\perp}|^2 - |A_{||}|^2}{|A_{\perp}|^2 + |A_{||}|^2} \\ A_{\rm T}^{\rm Re} &= \frac{2\mathcal{R}e(A_{||L}A_{\perp L}^* + A_{||R}A_{\perp R}^*)}{|A_{||}|^2 + |A_{\perp}|^2} \\ A_{\rm T}^{\rm Im} &= \frac{2\mathcal{I}m(A_{||L}A_{\perp L}^* + A_{||R}A_{\perp R}^*)}{|A_{||}|^2 + |A_{\perp}|^2}, \end{split}$$

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Angular analysis of $B^0 \rightarrow K^* ee$



- Results in full agreement with the SM.
- Similar strength on C_7 Wilson coefficient as from $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ decays.



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- A preliminary fit prepared by S. Descotes-Genon, L. Hofer, J. Matias, J. Virto, presented at 1510.04239
- Took into the fit:
 - $\circ~\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = (3.36 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-4}$, Misiak et. al. 2015.
 - $\circ~\mathcal{B}(B\to\mu\mu)$, theory: Bobeth et al 2013, experiment: LHCb+CMS average (2015)
 - $\circ \ \mathcal{B}(B
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 - $\circ \ \mathcal{B}(B
 ightarrow K \mu \mu)$,Bouchard et al 2013, 2015
 - $\circ \ PB_{(s)} \rightarrow K^*(\phi) \mu \mu$, Horgan et al 2013
 - $\circ B \rightarrow Kee$, $B \rightarrow K^*ee$ and R_k .
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Coefficient	Best fit	1σ	3σ	$\mathrm{Pull}_{\mathrm{SM}}$	p-value (%)
$\mathcal{C}_7^{\mathrm{NP}}$	-0.02	[-0.04, -0.00]	[-0.07, 0.04]	1.1	16.0
$\mathcal{C}_9^{ m NP}$	-1.11	[-1.32, -0.89]	[-1.71, -0.40]	4.5	62.0
$\mathcal{C}_{10}^{\mathrm{NP}}$	0.58	[0.34, 0.84]	[-0.11, 1.41]	2.5	25.0
$\mathcal{C}^{\mathrm{NP}}_{7'}$	0.02	[-0.01, 0.04]	[-0.05, 0.09]	0.7	15.0
$\mathcal{C}_{9'}^{\mathrm{NP}}$	0.49	[0.21, 0.77]	[-0.33, 1.35]	1.8	19.0
$\mathcal{C}^{\mathrm{NP}}_{10'}$	-0.27	[-0.46, -0.08]	[-0.84, 0.28]	1.4	17.0
$\mathcal{C}_9^{\rm NP}=\mathcal{C}_{10}^{\rm NP}$	-0.21	[-0.40, 0.00]	[-0.74, 0.55]	1.0	16.0
$\mathcal{C}_9^{\rm NP} = -\mathcal{C}_{10}^{\rm NP}$	-0.69	[-0.88, -0.51]	[-1.27, -0.18]	4.1	55.0
$\mathcal{C}_{9'}^{\rm NP}=\mathcal{C}_{10'}^{\rm NP}$	-0.09	[-0.35, 0.17]	[-0.88, 0.66]	0.3	14.0
$\mathcal{C}_{9'}^{\rm NP} = -\mathcal{C}_{10'}^{\rm NP}$	0.20	[0.08, 0.32]	[-0.15, 0.56]	1.7	19.0
$\mathcal{C}_9^{\rm NP} = -\mathcal{C}_{9'}^{\rm NP}$	-1.09	[-1.28, -0.88]	[-1.62, -0.42]	4.8	72.0
$\begin{split} \mathcal{C}_9^{\mathrm{NP}} &= -\mathcal{C}_{10}^{\mathrm{NP}} \\ &= -\mathcal{C}_{9'}^{\mathrm{NP}} = -\mathcal{C}_{10'}^{\mathrm{NP}} \end{split}$	-0.68	[-0.49, -0.49]	[-1.36, -0.15]	3.9	50.0
$ \begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_9^{\mathrm{NP}} &= -\mathcal{C}_{10}^{\mathrm{NP}} \\ &= \mathcal{C}_{9'}^{\mathrm{NP}} = -\mathcal{C}_{10'}^{\mathrm{NP}} \end{aligned} $	-0.17	[-0.29, -0.06]	[-0.54, 0.18]	1.5	18.0

Table 2: Best-fit points, confidence intervals, pulls for the SM hypothesis and p-values for different one-dimensional NP scenarios.

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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.



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There is more!

• There is one other LUV decay recently measured by LHCb.

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$$R(D^*) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \to D^* \tau \nu)}{\mathcal{B}(B \to D^* \mu \nu)}$$

- Clean SM prediction: $R(D^*) = 0.252(3)$, PRD 85 094025 (2012)
- • LHCb result: $R(D^*)=0.336\pm 0.027\pm 0.030,$ HFAG average: $R(D^*)=0.322\pm 0.022$
- 3.9σ discrepancy wrt. SM.



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Conclusions

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Thank you for the attention!



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