

Rare beauty and charm decays at LHCb

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① Rare B decays:

- $B \rightarrow K\pi\pi\gamma$
- $B \rightarrow \mu\mu.$
- $b \rightarrow sll.$

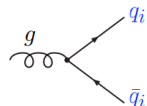
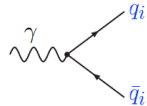
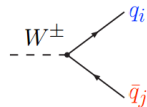
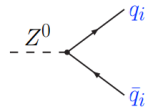
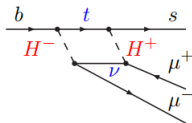
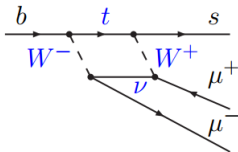
② Charm decays:

- $D \rightarrow \mu\mu.$



Why rare decays?

- CKM structure in SM allows only the charged interactions to change flavour.
 - Other interactions are flavour conserving.
- One can escape the CKM structure and produce $b \rightarrow s$ and $b \rightarrow d$ only at loop level.
 - This kind of processes are suppressed in SM \rightarrow Rare decays.



• Operator Product Expansion and Effective Field Theory

$$H_{eff} = -\frac{4G_f}{\sqrt{2}} VV^* \sum_i \left[\underbrace{C_i(\mu) O_i(\mu)}_{\text{left-handed}} + \underbrace{C'_i(\mu) O'_i(\mu)}_{\text{right-handed}} \right]$$

i=1,2 Tree

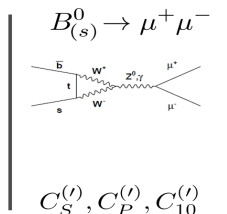
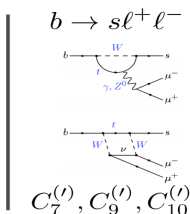
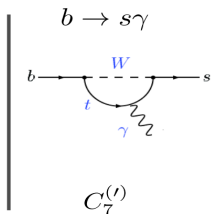
i=3-6,8 Gluon penguin

i=7 Photon penguin

i=9,10 EW penguin

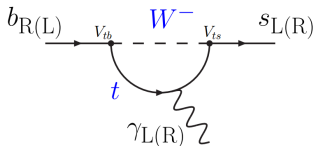
i=S Scalar penguin

i=P Pseudoscalar penguin



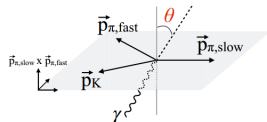
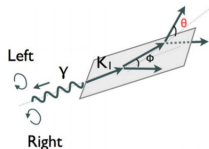
Radiative decays

- $B^0 \rightarrow K^* \gamma$ - first observed penguin!
 - CLEO, [[PRL, 71 \(1993\) 674](#)]
- B-factories probed NP measuring, inclusively/ semi-inclusively $\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow s \gamma)$
- Is there anyway LHCb can contribute?
 - Measurements of $\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow s \gamma)$ very difficult.
 - Can probe probe polarization!
- In SM, photons from $b \rightarrow s \gamma$ decays are left handed.
 - Charged current interactions: $C_7/C_7' \sim m_b/m_s$
- Can test C_7/C_7' using:
 - Mixing induced CP violation: [Atwood et. al. PRL 79 \(1997\) 185-188](#)
 - Λ_b baryons: [Hiller & Kagan PRD 65 \(2002\) 074038](#)



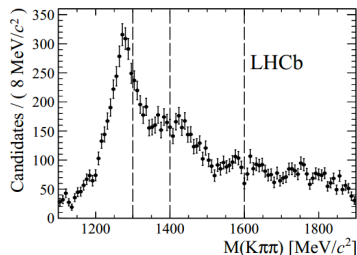
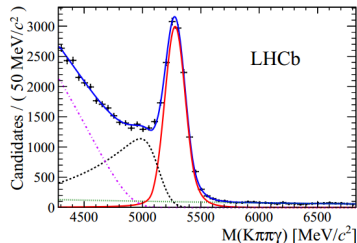
Photon polarization from $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \gamma$

- OR: Study $B \rightarrow K^{**} \gamma$ decays like $B^+ \rightarrow K_1(1270) \gamma$
 - Gronau & Pirjol PRD 66 (2002) 054008
- The trick is to get the photon polarization from the up-down asymmetry of photon direction in the $K\pi\pi$ rest frame.
 - No asymmetry \rightarrow Unpolarised photons.
- Conceptionally this measurement is similar to the Wu experiment, which first observed parity violation.

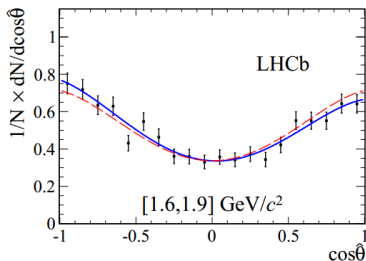
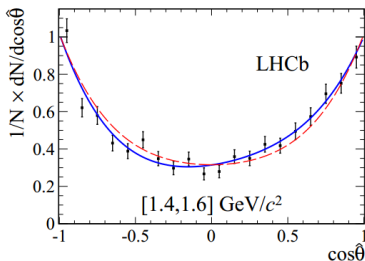
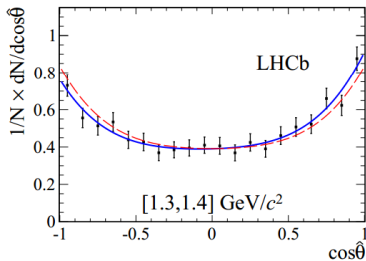
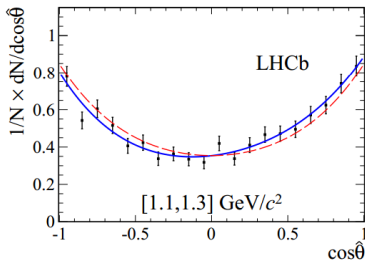


$B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^+\gamma$ at LHCb

- LHCb looked at $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^+\gamma$, using un-converted photons.
- Got over 13.000 candidates in 3 fb^{-1} !
- [Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 161801](#)
- $K^+\pi^-\pi^+$ system has variety of resonances.
 - $K\pi\pi\pi$ system studied inclusively.
 - Bin the mass and look for polarization there.



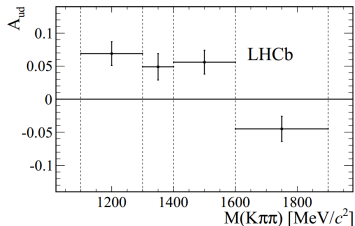
Fit with $(C_7' - C_7)/(C_7' + C_7) = 0$, Best fit



Up-down asymmetry

- Combining the 4 bins, gives 5.2σ significance from no photon polarization hypothesis.
- Unfortunately without understanding the hadron system it is impossible to tell if the photon is left or right-handed.

→ First observation of photon polarization in $b \rightarrow s\gamma$!

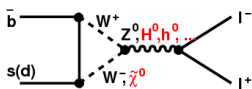
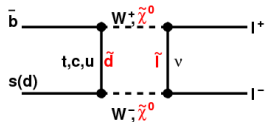


$$B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

- Clean theoretical prediction, GIM and helicity suppressed in the SM:

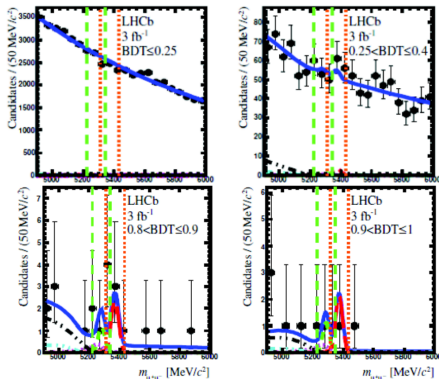
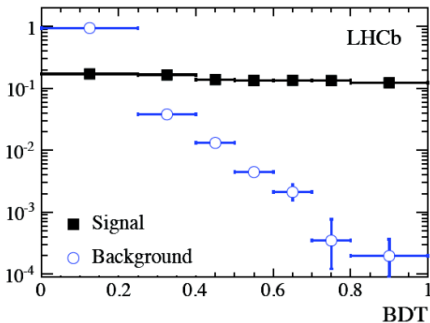
- $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+) = (3.65 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-9}$
 - $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+) = (1.06 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-10}$

- Sensitive to contributions from scalar and pseudoscalar couplings.
- Probing: MSSM, higgs sector, etc.
- In MSSM: $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+) \sim \text{tg}^6 \beta / m_A^4$



$B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ searches

- Background rejection power is a key feature of rare decays \rightarrow use multivariate classifiers (BDT) and strong PID.

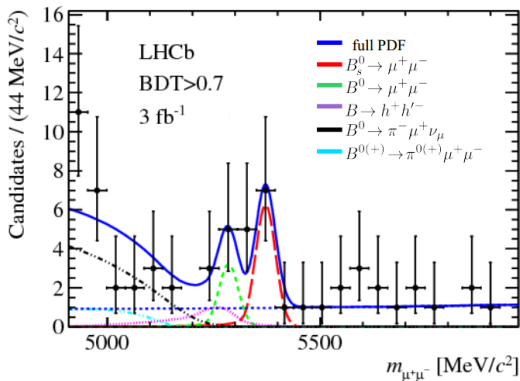


- Normalize the BF to $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)K^+$ and $B^0 \rightarrow K\pi$.



$B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ Results

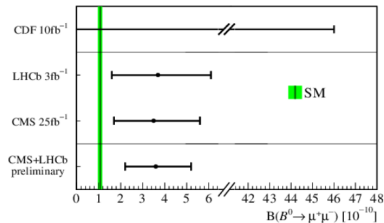
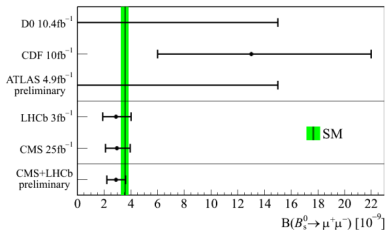
- Nov. 2012:
 - First evidence 3.5σ for $B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ with 2.1 fb^{-1} .
- Summer 2013:
 - Full data sample: 3 fb^{-1} .



- Measured BF:
 $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+) = (2.9_{-1.0}^{+1.1}(\text{stat.})_{-0.1}^{+0.3}(\text{syst.})) \times 10^{-9}$
- 4.0σ significance!
- $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+) < 7 \times 10^{-10}$ at 95% CL
- [PRL 110 \(2013\) 021801](#)
- [CMS result: PRL 111 \(2013\) 101805](#)

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+) = (2.9 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+) = (3.6_{-1.4}^{+1.6}) \times 10^{-10}$$

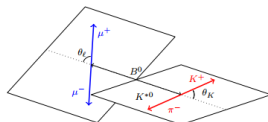


Full combination CMS+LHCb with simultaneous fit close to completion!

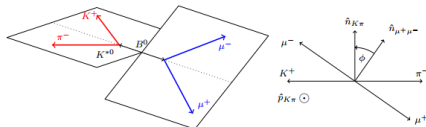
- [LHCb-CONF-2013-012](#)

$B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu \mu$ angular distributions

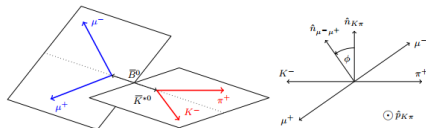
- Can probe photon polarization using virtual photons in $b \rightarrow s \ell \ell$.
- LHCb favourite: $B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu \mu$.
- Sensitive to lot of new physics models.
- Decay described by three angles θ_1, θ_K, ϕ and dimuon invariant mass q^2 .
- Analysis is performed in bins of q^2 .



(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

- Angular distributions depends on 11 angular terms:

$$\frac{d^4\Gamma[B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-]}{d \cos \theta_\ell d \cos \theta_K d\phi dq^2} = \frac{9}{32\pi} \left[J_1^S \sin^2 \theta_K + J_1^C \cos^2 \theta_K + J_2^S \sin^2 \theta_K \cos 2\theta_\ell + J_2^C \cos^2 \theta_K \cos 2\theta_\ell + \right. \\ J_3 \sin^2 \theta_K \sin^2 \theta_\ell \cos 2\phi + J_4 \sin 2\theta_K \sin 2\theta_\ell \cos \phi + \\ J_5 \sin 2\theta_K \sin \theta_\ell \cos \phi + J_6 \cos^2 \theta_K \cos \theta_\ell + J_7 \sin 2\theta_K \sin \theta_\ell \sin \phi + \\ \left. J_8 \sin 2\theta_K \sin 2\theta_\ell \sin \phi + J_9 \sin^2 \theta_K \sin^2 \theta_\ell \sin 2\phi \right]$$

where the J_i are bilinear combinations of helicity amplitudes.

- Not enough events in our data sample to fit for 11 parameters
→ need to simplify!
- Can use symmetries, to reduced the the parameters
to 9 → still a bit large!

$B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu \mu$ Folding

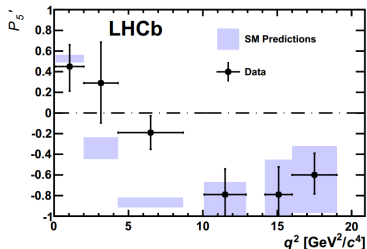
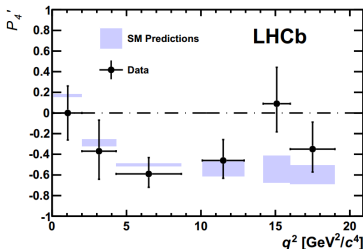
- One can simplify the angular distribution by folding: eg. $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \pi$ for ($\phi < 0$).
- Cancels terms with $\cos \phi$ and $\sin \phi$.

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$B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu\mu$ angular distributions

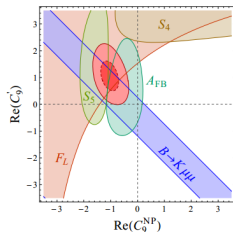
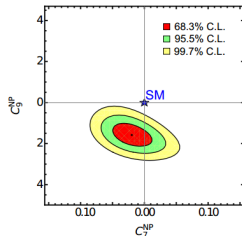
- Different foldings cancel different angular observables. [PRL 111 191801 (2013)]



- Observables $P'_{4,5} = S_{4,5} / \sqrt{F_L(1 - F_L)}$
- Leading form-factor uncertainties cancel.
- In 1 fb^{-1} , LHCb observes a local discrepancy of 3.7σ in P'_5 .
- Probability that at least one bin varies by this much is 0.5%.
- SM prediction form: JHEP 05 (2013) 137

Understanding the $B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu \mu$ anomaly 1/2

- Matias, Decotes-Genon & Virto performed a global fit to the available $b \rightarrow s \gamma$ and $b \rightarrow s l l$.
- Found 4.5σ discrepancy from SM.
- Fit favours $C_9^{NP} = 1.5$
- [PRD 88 074002 \(2013\)](#)
- Straub & Altmannshofer performed a global analysis and found discrepancies at the level of 3σ . Data again best describes a modified C_9 .
- Data can be explained by introducing a flavour changing Z' boson, with mass $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ TeV})$
- [EPJC 73 2646 \(2013\)](#)

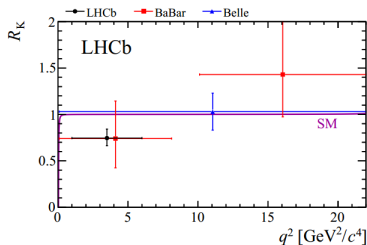


Lepton universality

- If Z' is responsible for the P'_5 anomaly, does it couple equally to all flavours?

$$R_K = \frac{\int_{q^2=1 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4}^{q^2=6 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4} (d\mathcal{B}[B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-]/dq^2) dq^2}{\int_{q^2=1 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4}^{q^2=6 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4} (d\mathcal{B}[B^+ \rightarrow K^+ e^+ e^-]/dq^2) dq^2} = 1 \pm \mathcal{O}(10^{-3}).$$

- Challenging analysis.
- Migration of events modeled by MC.
- Correct bremsstrahlung.
- Take double ratio with $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$ to cancel systematics.
- In 3fb^{-1} , LHCb measures $R_K = 0.745^{+0.090}_{-0.074}(\text{stat.})^{+0.036}_{-0.036}(\text{syst.})$
- Consistent with SM at 2.6σ .



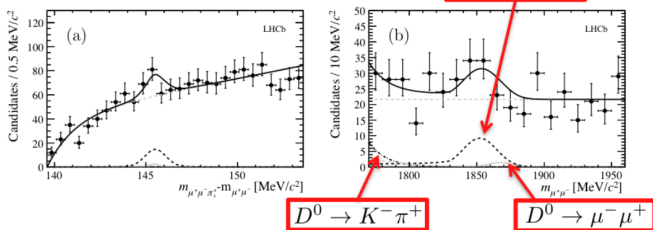
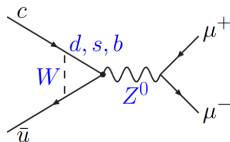
LHCb-PAPER-2014-024 [Preliminary].

Belle [PRL 103 (2009) 171801],

BaBar [PRD 86 (2012) 032012]

FCNC in charm decays

- GIM cancelation effective in $c \rightarrow u$ transitions due to small size of m_b .
- SM prediction: $\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu) \sim 6 \times 10^{-11}$



- Use $D^{*\pm}$ and exploit small Δm for background suppression.
- Limitation is $\pi \rightarrow \mu$ mis-id.
- Limit: $\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu) < 6.2 \times 10^{-9}$ at 90% CL
- [PLB 725 \(2013\) 15-24](#)

Conclusions

- Rare decays play important role in hitting NP.
- Can access NP scales beyond reach of GPD.
- Tension in $b \rightarrow sll$, theory correct?
- List of decays presented in this talk is just a tip of iceberg:
 - Please look at ours: isospin, A_{CP} .
 - More are on their way.

