

Current experimental status for selected $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow K^{(*)0} \bar{K}^{(*)0}$ observables



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Possible new physics links between non-leptonic and semi-leptonic B-decays

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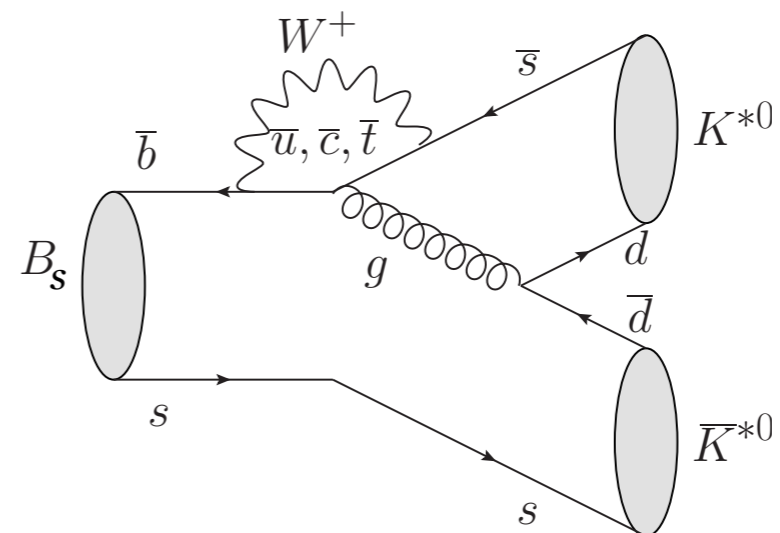
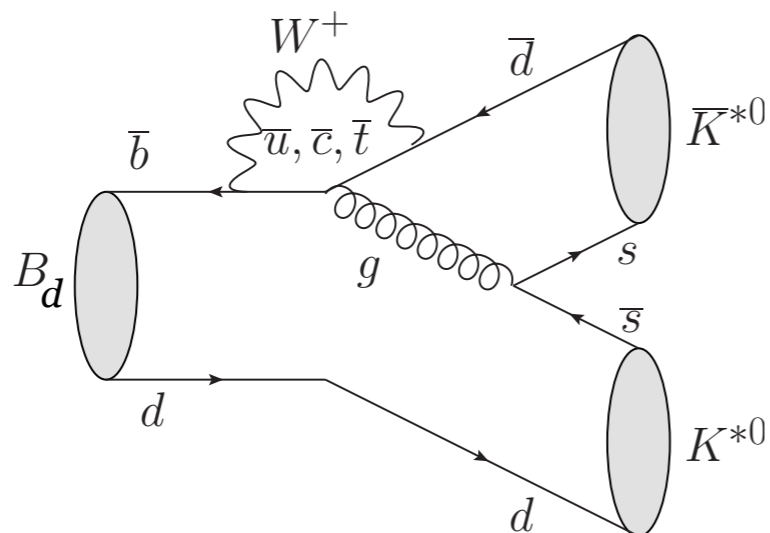
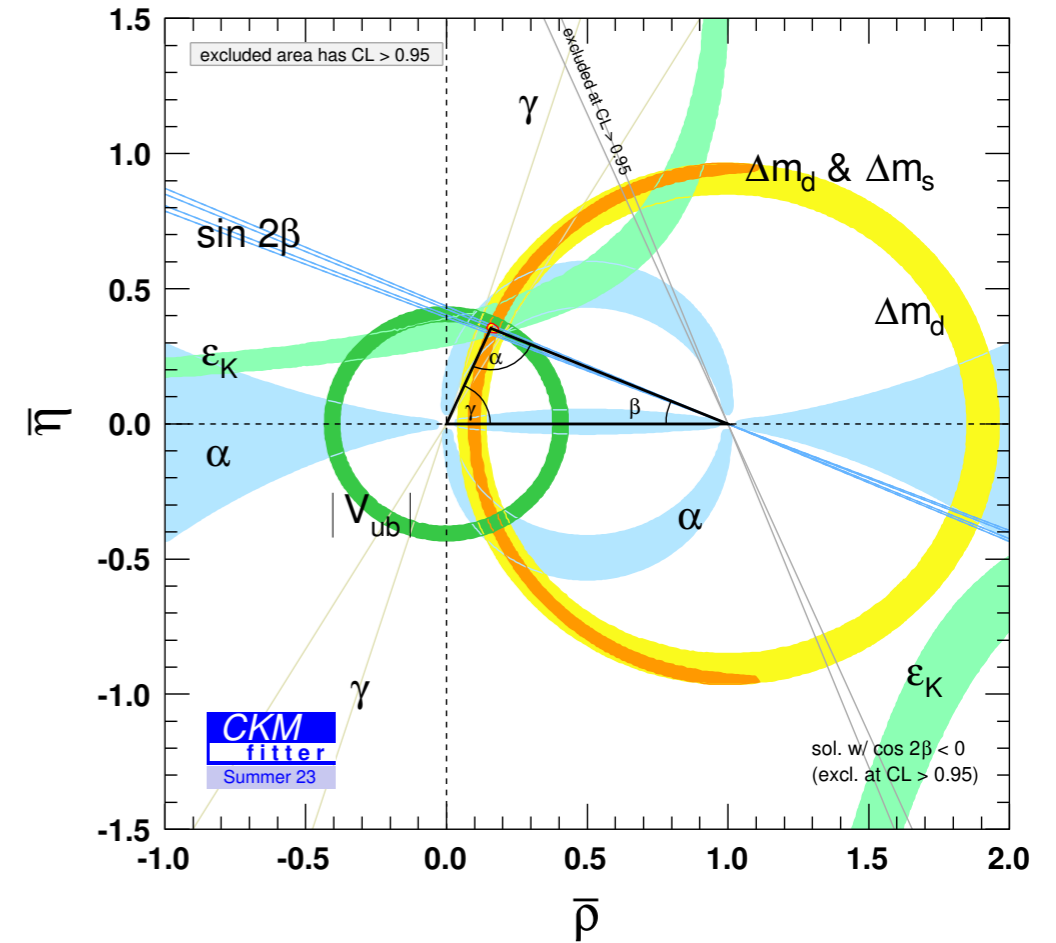
Beyond the Flavour Anomalies V
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[Based on: Lizana, Matias, BAS, [2306.09178](#)]

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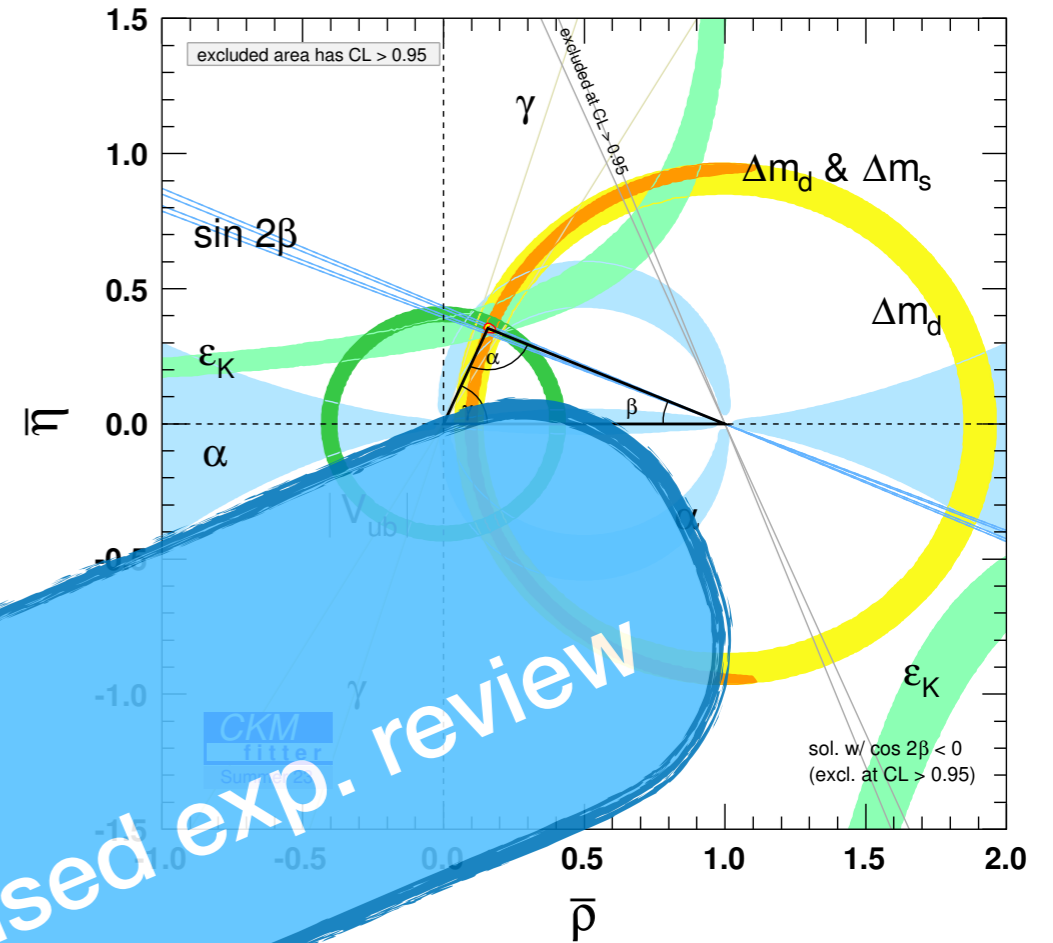


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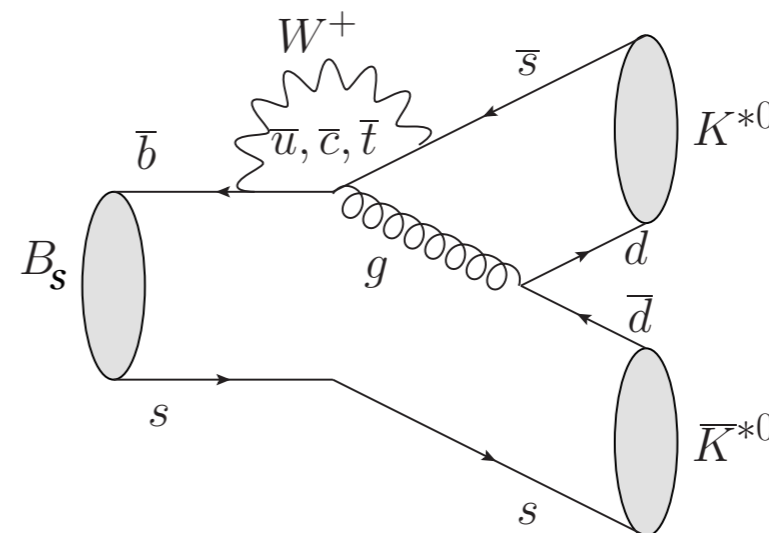
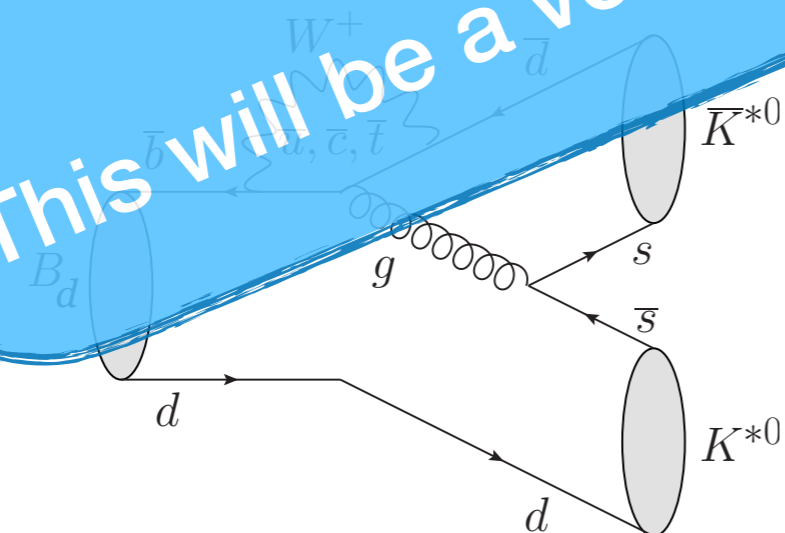
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This will be a very LHCb focused exp. review!



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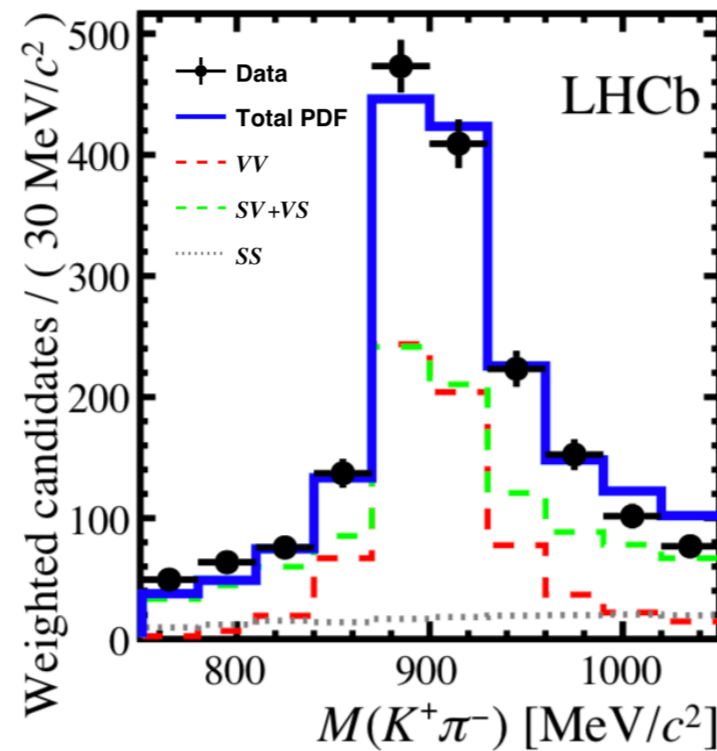
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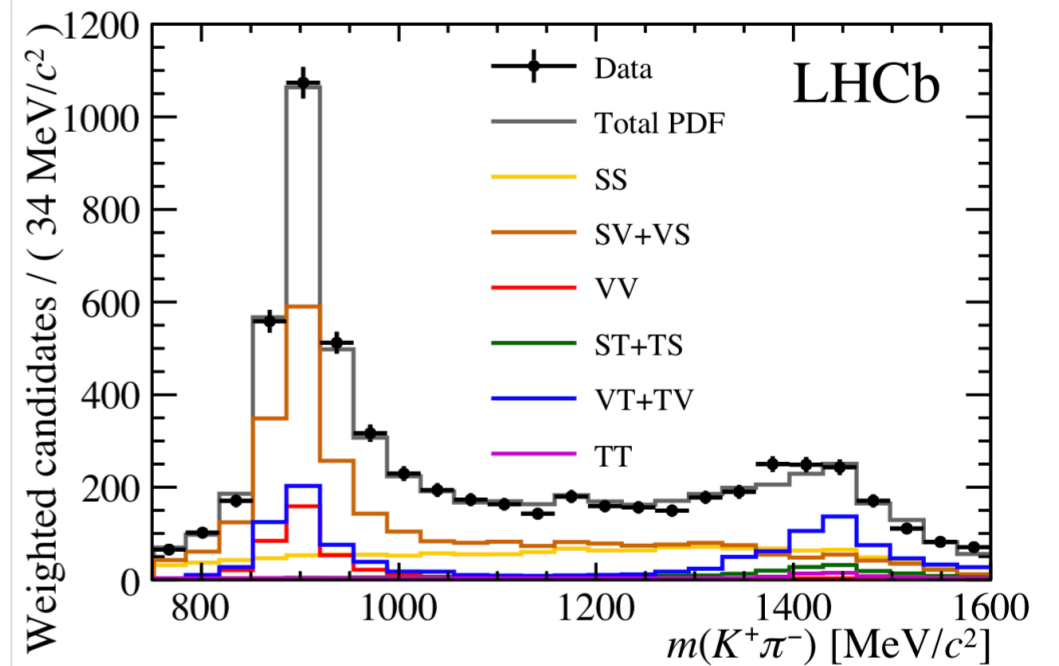
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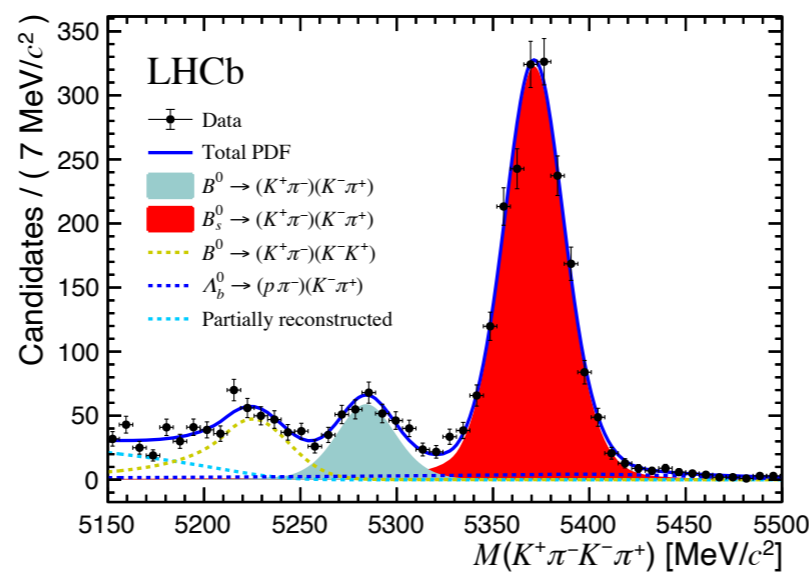
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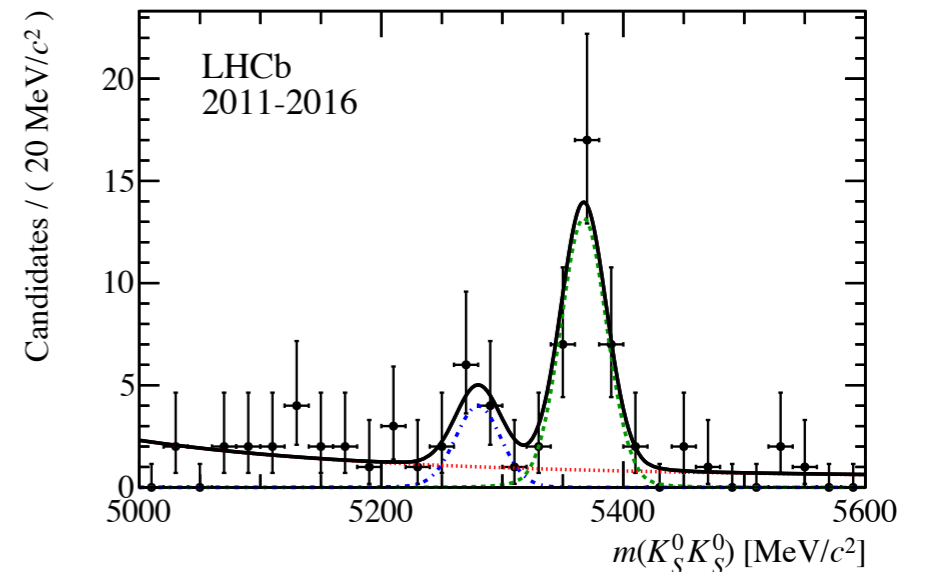
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- K^0 are reconstructed as $K_S \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^\mp$ which are relatively long lived particles, roughly 2/3 of them decay outside of the VELO acceptance \rightarrow Poor B momentum resolution and reconstruction efficiency



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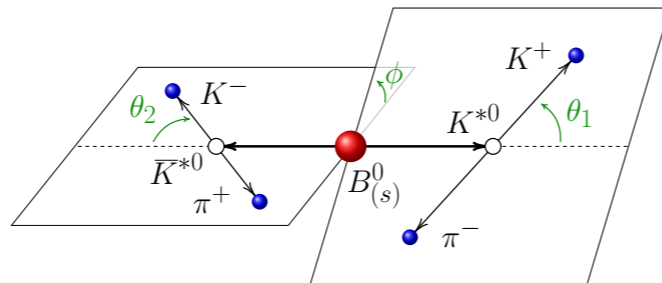
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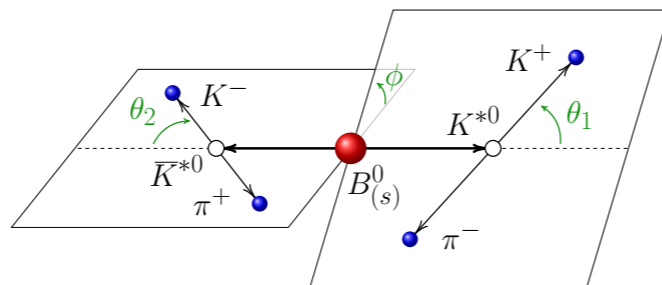
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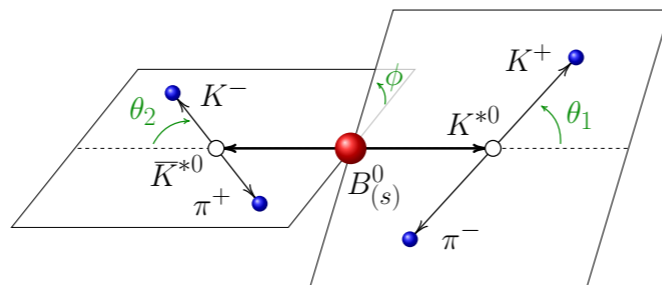
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- Require control of the warping effects due to angular acceptance, mass requirements and detector resolution
- Careful treatment of efficiency dependence on decay model and parametrisation

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First observation of $B_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$
with 35 pb^{-1} of data

- Anomalously low value of $f_L^{B_s}$

$$f_L^{B_s} = 0.31 \pm 0.12(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{syst})$$

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TI CP asymmetries in $B_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$
with 1fb^{-1} of data

- Within uncertainties consistent with no CP violation
- Low value of $f_L^{B_s}$ confirmed

$$f_L^{B_s} = 0.201 \pm 0.057(\text{stat}) \pm 0.040(\text{syst})$$

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TD CP asymmetries in $B_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$
with 3fb^{-1} of data

- First measurement of the CP-violating phase

$$\phi_s^{s\bar{s}} = -0.10 \pm 0.13(\text{stat}) \pm 0.14(\text{syst})$$

- Low value of $f_L^{B_s}$ confirmed

$$f_L^{B_s} = 0.208 \pm 0.032(\text{stat}) \pm 0.046(\text{syst})$$

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Angular analysis of both B^0 and B_s with 3fb^{-1} of data,

- $f_L^{B^0}$ well compatible with SM prediction!

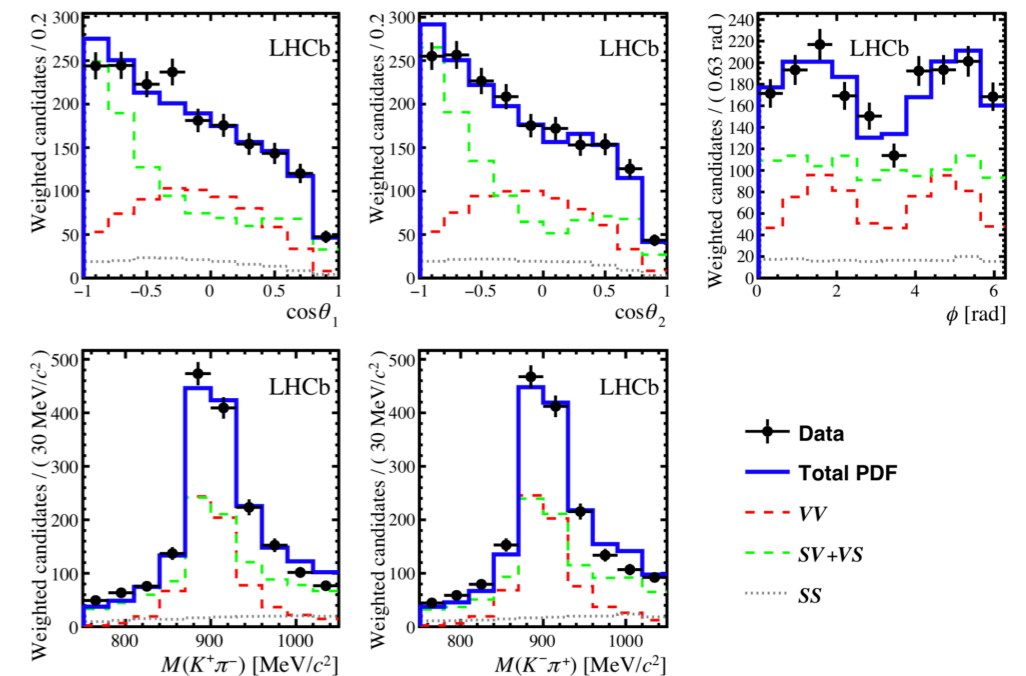
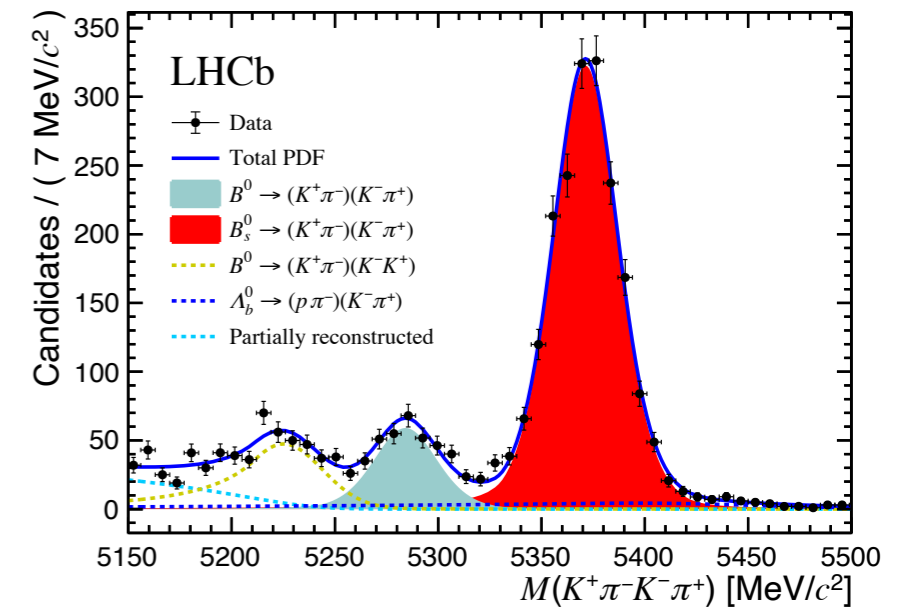
$$f_L^{B^0} = 0.724 \pm 0.051(\text{stat}) \pm 0.016(\text{syst})$$

Amplitude analysis of $B_{(s)} \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{0*}$ decays

Analysis strategy, in brief:

- sWeight the 4-body invariant mass to disentangle B^0 from B_s contributions and remove backgrounds
- Perform an amplitude analysis to measure amplitude magnitudes and relative phases
- Account for both vector and scalar components, total of 6 amplitudes:

	A_i	η_i	$g_i(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \phi)$
VV	A_0	1	$\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \mathcal{M}_1(m_1) \mathcal{M}_1(m_2)$
	A_{\parallel}	1	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \cos \phi \mathcal{M}_1(m_1) \mathcal{M}_1(m_2)$
	A_{\perp}	-1	$\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \sin \phi \mathcal{M}_1(m_1) \mathcal{M}_1(m_2)$
PV,VP	A_S^+	-1	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (\cos \theta_1 \mathcal{M}_1(m_1) \mathcal{M}_0(m_2) - \cos \theta_2 \mathcal{M}_0(m_1) \mathcal{M}_1(m_2))$
	A_S^-	1	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (\cos \theta_1 \mathcal{M}_1(m_1) \mathcal{M}_0(m_2) + \cos \theta_2 \mathcal{M}_0(m_1) \mathcal{M}_1(m_2))$
PP	A_{SS}	1	$-\frac{1}{3} \mathcal{M}_0(m_1) \mathcal{M}_0(m_2)$



Amplitude analysis of $B_{(s)} \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ decays

Results with Run 1 data:

Parameter	$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$	$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$
f_L	$0.724 \pm 0.051 \pm 0.016$	$0.240 \pm 0.031 \pm 0.025$
S-wave fraction	$0.408 \pm 0.050 \pm 0.017$	$0.694 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.010$

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0})} = [7.58 \pm 0.57(\text{stat}) \pm 0.25(\text{syst}) \pm 0.16(f_s/f_d)]\%$$

Combine with previous $B_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ Br to get:

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}) = (8.0 \pm 0.9 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.4 (\text{syst})) \times 10^{-7}$$

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$$L_{K^* \bar{K}^*}^{\text{SM}} = 19.53_{-6.64}^{+9.14} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad 2.6 \sigma \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad L_{K^* \bar{K}^*}^{\text{exp}} = 4.43 \pm 0.92$$

Main sources of uncertainties are from $B \rightarrow K^*$ factors (currently LCSR from [Barucha, Straub, Zwicky] and affected by LCDA end point singularities, chance for discussion?

Amplitude analysis of $B_{(s)} \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{0*}$ decays

An update using full Run1+Run2 is underway!

- Using naive luminosity scaling the measurement on $f_L^{B_s}$ is going to be systematically dominated:
 - Major contributions to syst. budget are from simulation sample size and S-wave mass model
 - Reduce the latter by decomposing the amplitudes using angular momentum eigenfunctions rather than helicity basis
 - Ensure translatability of the results between the two bases

Decay mode	
Parameter	f_L
Bias data-simulation	0.004
Fit method	0.001
Kinematic acceptance	0.011
Resolution	0.002
P-wave mass model	0.001
S-wave mass model	0.021
Differences data-simulation	0.002
Background subtraction	0.000
Peaking backgrounds	0.003
Time acceptance	0.008
Total systematic unc.	0.025

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Currently in advanced state, inclusive Br measurements are almost finalised, angular fitter is well understood, soon to enter WG circulation

Br measurement of $B_{(s)} \rightarrow K^0 \bar{K}^0$

Analysis strategy:

- Measure yields and efficiencies for the signal and normalisation modes to get the Br
- No amp analysis needed

Results using Run1+2015,2016 data:

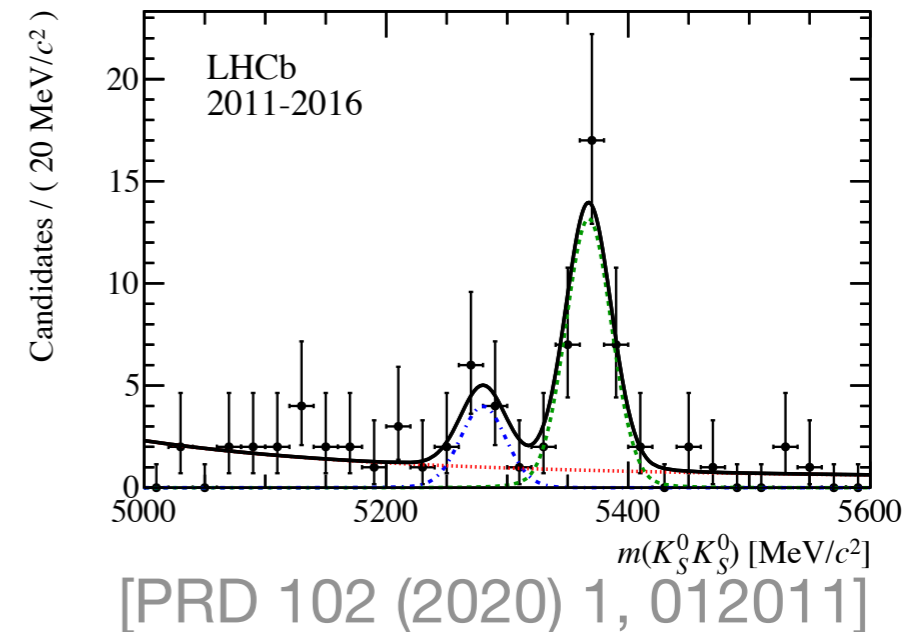
$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0) = [8.3 \pm 1.6 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.9 (\text{syst}) \pm 0.8 (\text{norm}) \pm 0.3 (f_s/f_d)] \times 10^{-6},$$

$B^0 \rightarrow \phi K_S$

If $B_s \rightarrow K_S \bar{K}_S$ normalisation is chosen:

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0)}{\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0)} = [7.5 \pm 3.1 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.5 (\text{syst}) \pm 0.3 (f_s/f_d)] \times 10^{-2}.$$

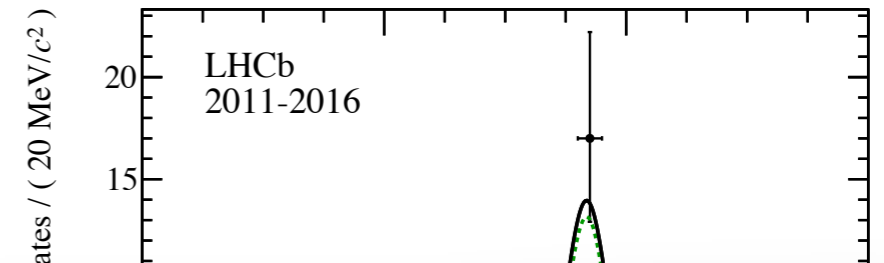
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$$L_{K\bar{K}}^{\text{SM}} = 26.00^{+3.88}_{-3.59}$$

2.4σ

$$L_{K\bar{K}}^{\text{exp}} = 14.58 \pm 3.37$$

Interesting coherent deviation in this mode as well, is this a systematic long distance effect or does this have short distance origin? (FF uncertainties lower in this case)

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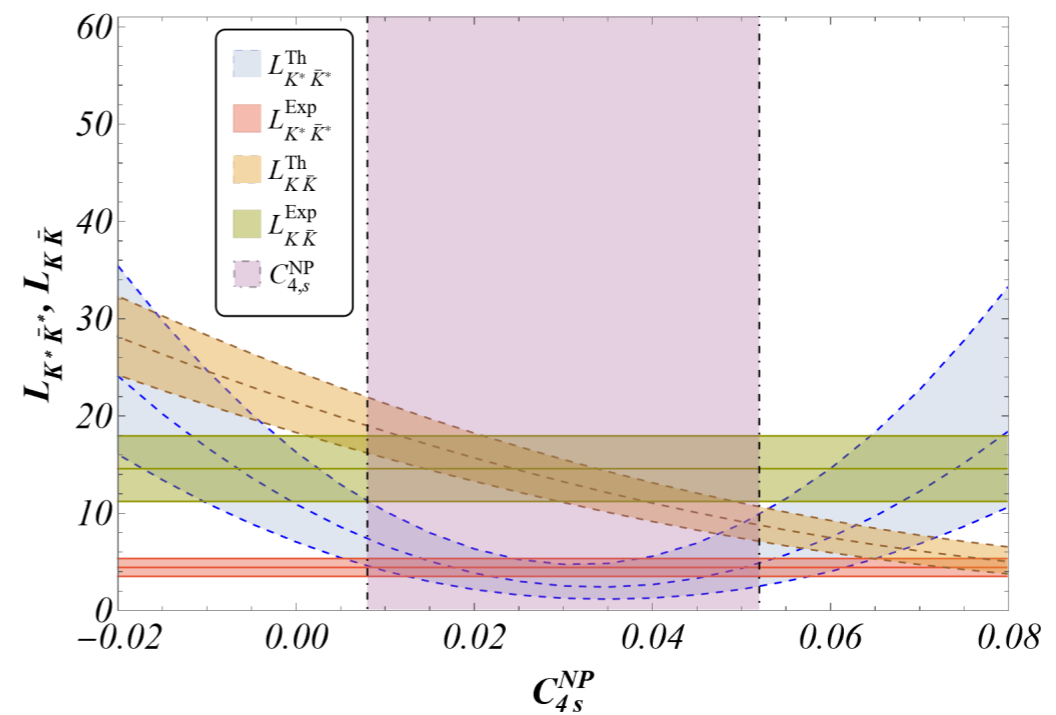
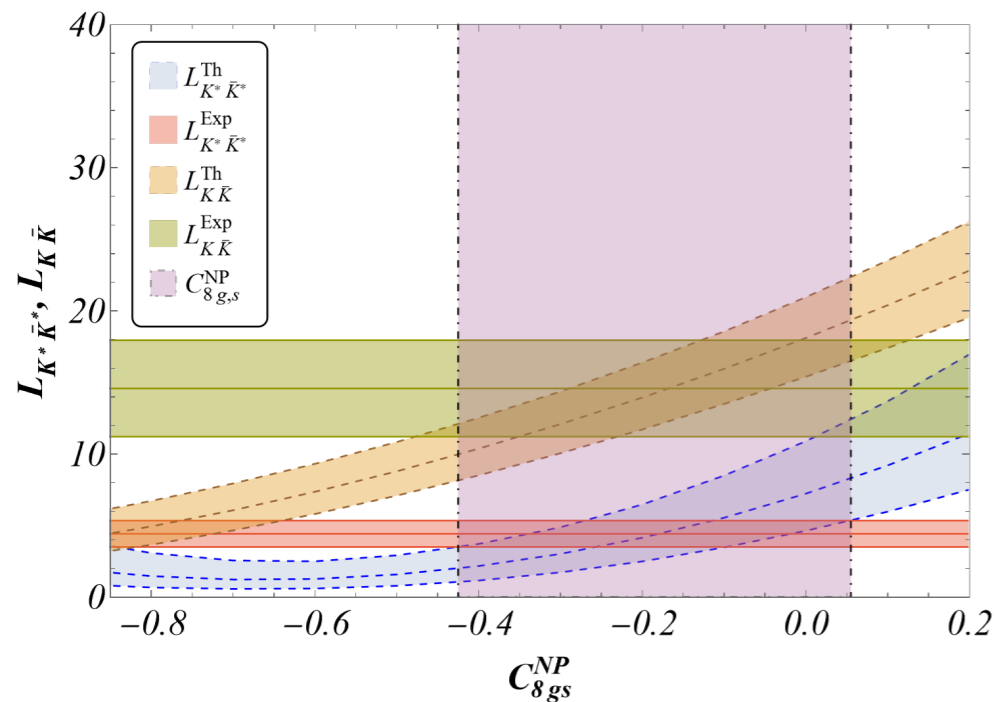
A coherent NP explanation?

[JHEP06(2023)108]

Local and non-local contributions in $b \rightarrow q\bar{q}s$ transitions are separated via an effective hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{p=c,u} \lambda_p^{(q)} \left(c_{1s}^p Q_{1s}^p + c_{2s}^p Q_{2s}^p + \sum_{i=3\dots 10} c_{is} Q_{is} + c_{7\gamma s} Q_{7\gamma s} + c_{8gs} Q_{8gs} \right)$$

- Express L observables as function of the WCs and constrain potential NP contribution



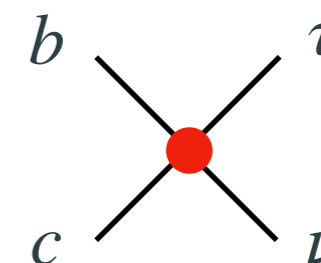
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- Three experimental “curiosities” of interest for this talk



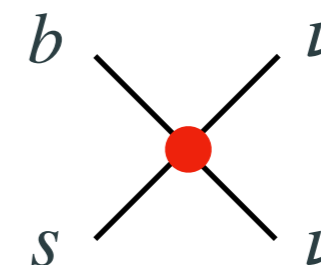
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$$R_D, R_{D^*}, R_{\Lambda_c}, R_{D^+}, \text{ etc. } \quad (\text{Talk by Markus + Patrick})$$



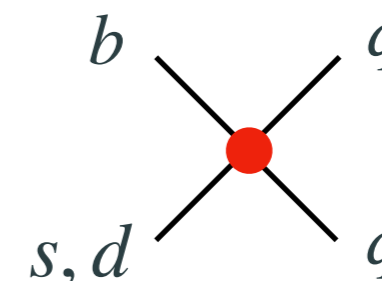
2. Neutral-current semi-leptonic B-decays

$$B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \nu \bar{\nu} \quad (\text{Talk by Caspar + Danny})$$



3. Neutral-current non-leptonic B-decays

$$B_{s,d} \rightarrow K^{(*)} \bar{K}^{(*)}, \quad B_{s,d} \rightarrow K^{(*)} \phi$$



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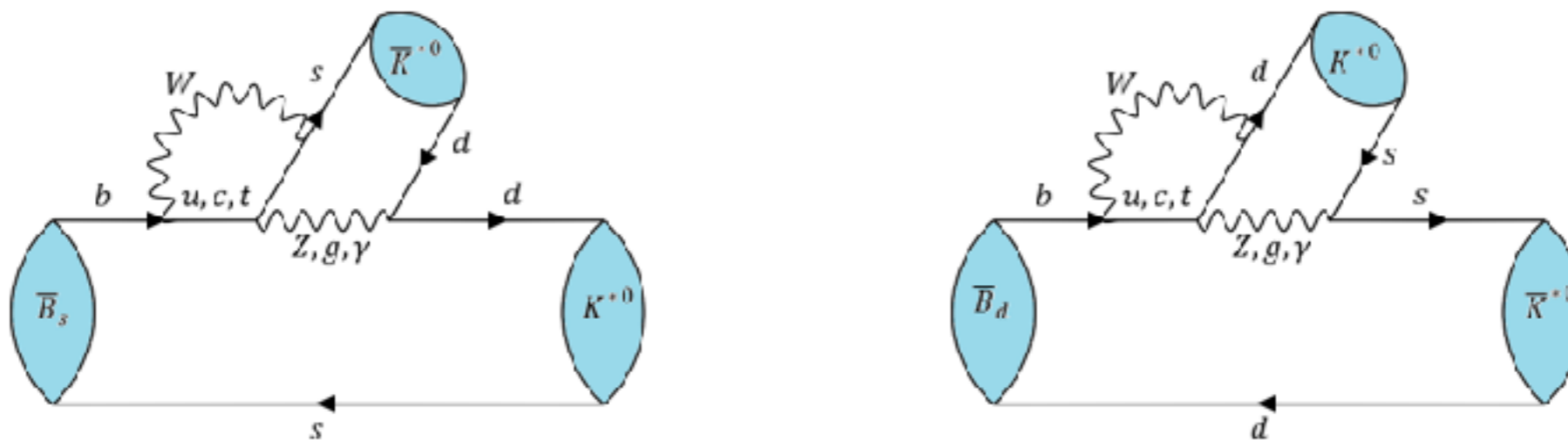
- Focus here on the $L_{K^{(*)}\bar{K}^{(*)}}$ observables:

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Longitudinal component of $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}\bar{K}^{(*)}$

**Disclaimer: Ratios reduce hadronic uncertainties but rescattering could be important in $b \rightarrow d$.*



[Algueró, Crivellin, Descotes-Genon, Matias, Novoa-Brunet, [2011.07867](#)]

[Biswas, Descotes-Genon, Matias, Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi [2301.10542](#)]

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Measurements and possible NP contributions

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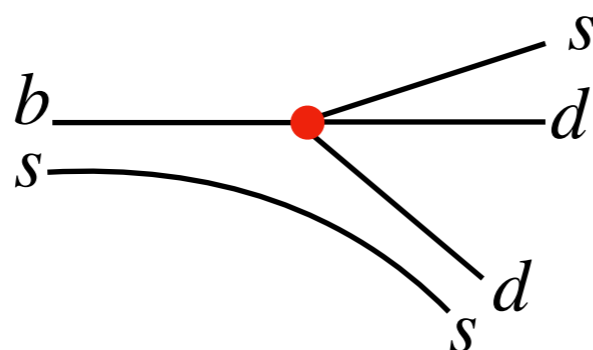
$$L_{K\bar{K}}^{\text{SM}} = 26.00_{-3.59}^{+3.88} \quad L_{K\bar{K}}^{\text{exp}} = 14.58 \pm 3.37 \quad \longrightarrow \quad 2.4\sigma^*$$

**Discrepancies are not large + SM prediction is subject to theoretical challenges. Still, it is an interesting exercise to see if there are consistent short-distance NP explanations.*

4-quark op.

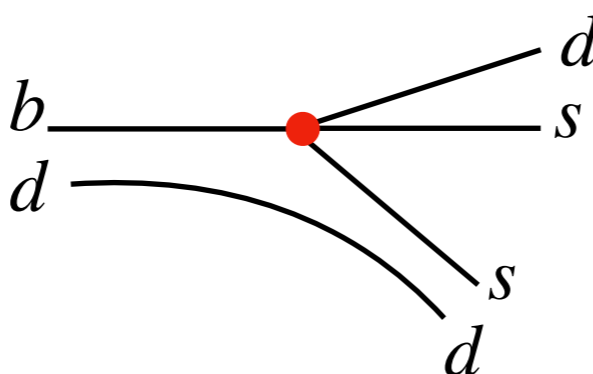
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$(b \rightarrow s)$

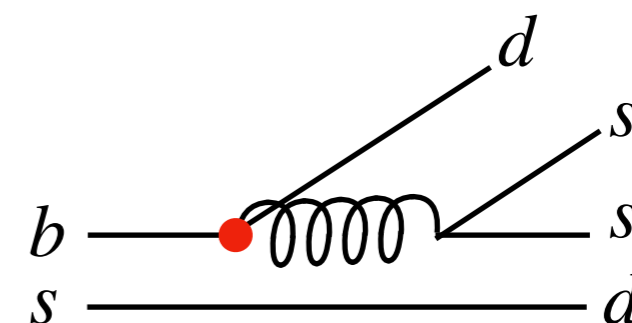
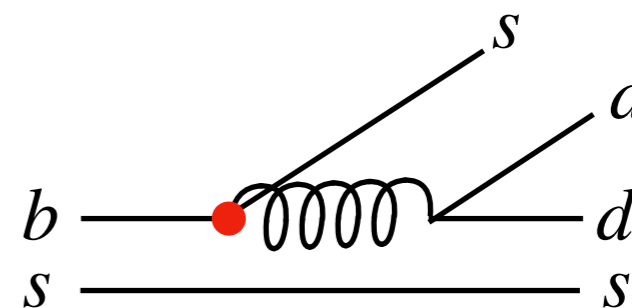


$$\bar{B}_d \rightarrow K^{(*)}\bar{K}^{(*)}$$

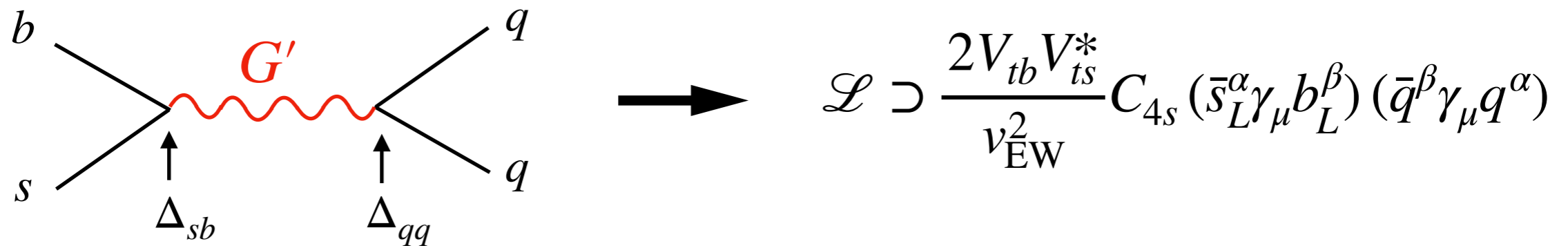
$(b \rightarrow d)$



Gluon dipole



Going the 4-quark route seems difficult....



$$\mathcal{L} \supset \Delta_{sb}^L (\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu b_L) G'_\mu + \Delta_{sb}^R (\bar{s}_R \gamma^\mu b_R) G'_\mu + \sum_i \Delta_{qq} (\bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu q_i) G'_\mu$$

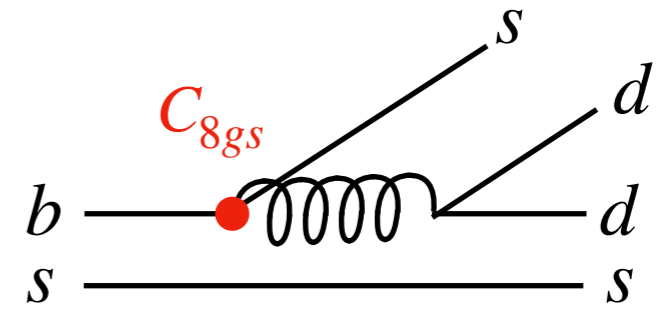
- $L_{K^{(*)}\bar{K}^{(*)}}$ observables: $\frac{\Delta_{sb}\Delta_{qq}}{m_{G'}^2} \sim \frac{1}{(5 \text{ TeV})^2}$
- From di-jet searches: $\frac{\Delta_{qq}^2}{m_{G'}^2} \lesssim \frac{1}{(5 \text{ TeV})^2}$
- B_s mixing: $\frac{\Delta_{sb}^2}{m_{G'}^2} \lesssim \frac{1}{(100 \text{ TeV})^2}$



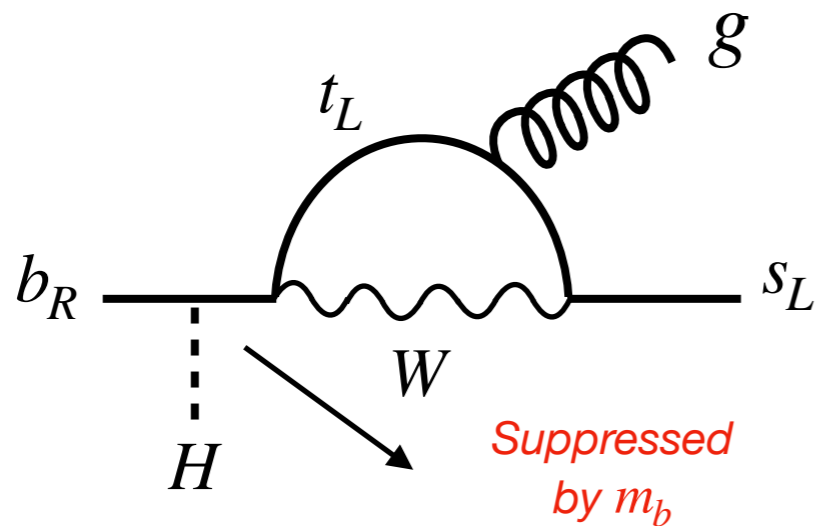
*Can fine tune Δ_{sb}^R : [Algueró, Crivellin, Descotes-Genon, Matias, Novoa-Brunet, 2011.07867]

Chromomagnetic (Gluon) Dipole

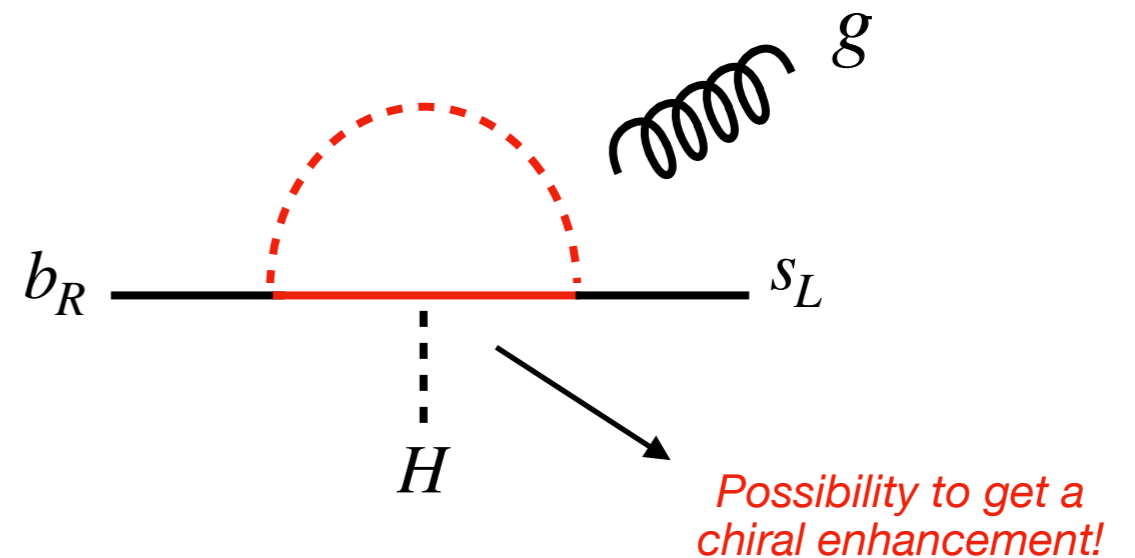
$$-\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{m_b V_{ts}^* V_{tb}}{4\pi^2 v_{EW}^2} C_{8gs} (\bar{s}_L \sigma_{\mu\nu} b_R) G^{\mu\nu}$$



In the SM:



New physics:



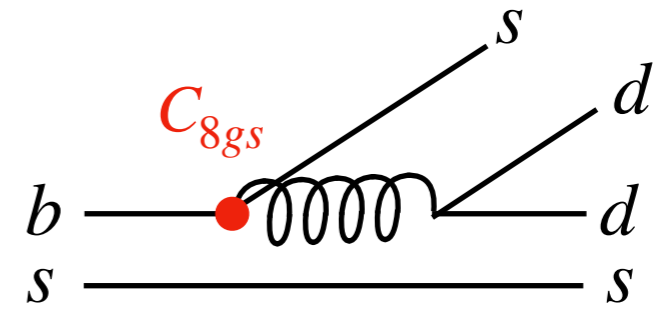
*We need a SM-sized effect, which points toward a low NP scale:

We need
 $C_{8gs}^{NP} \sim C_{8gs}^{SM} = -0.15$

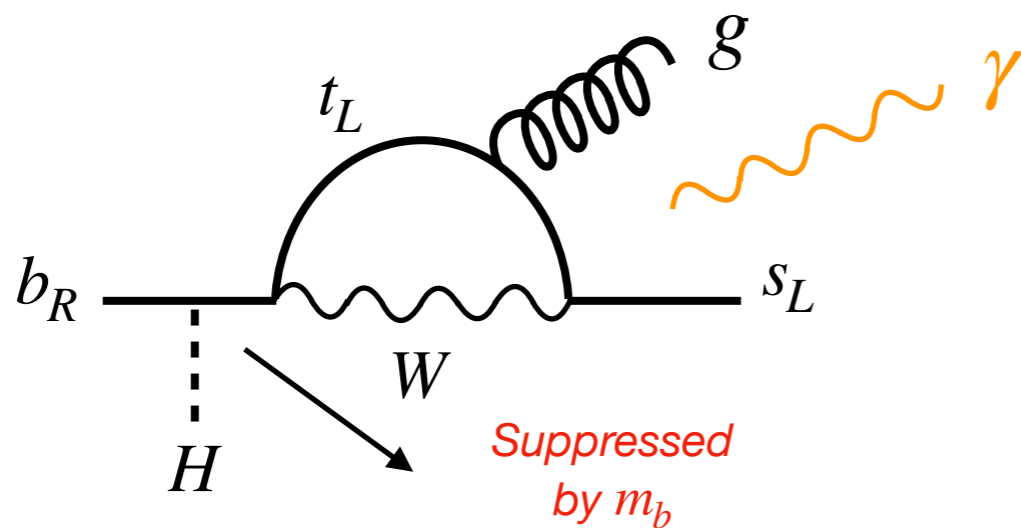
 $\implies \frac{m_b}{m_W^2} \approx \frac{m_t}{\Lambda_{NP}^2} \implies \Lambda_{NP} \approx m_W \sqrt{\frac{m_t}{m_b}} \approx 500 \text{ GeV}$

Comes with the electromagnetic dipole!

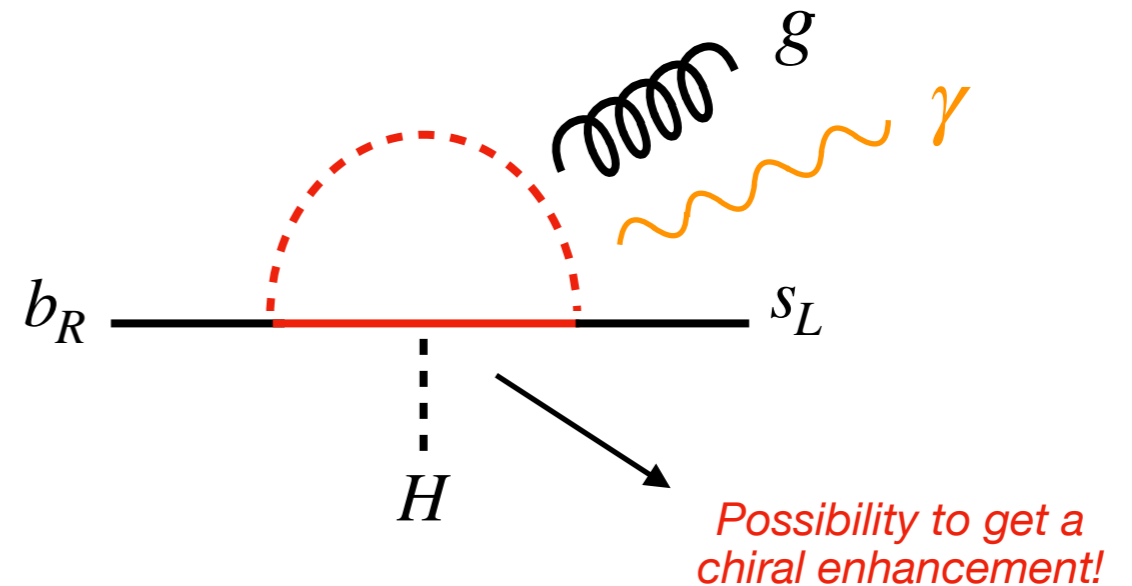
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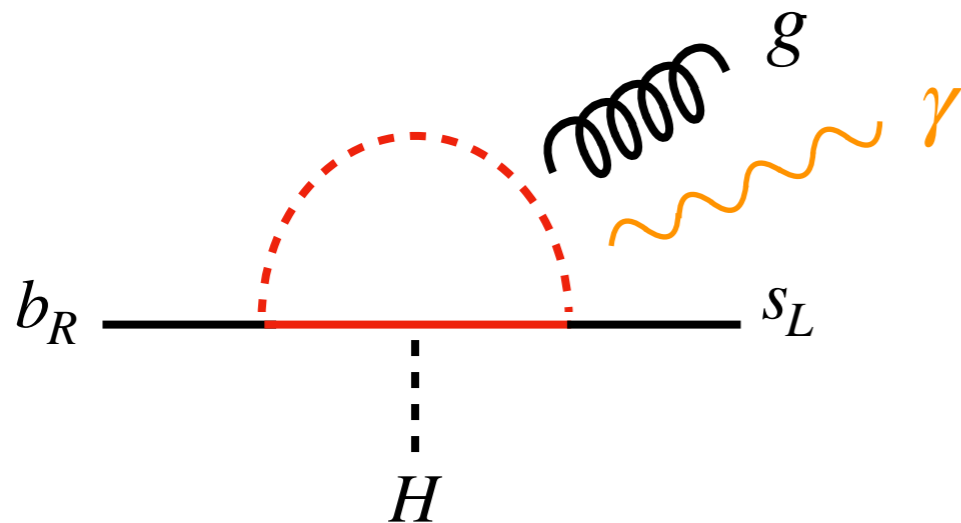
New physics:



- A challenge for any NP model generating the chromomagnetic dipole is then to explain how you pass the bounds from $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$.

A closer look at the electromagnetic dipole

New physics:



- If color flow in the loop follows the flow of electric charge, then we have the tree-level prediction of:

$$C_{7\gamma s}/C_{8gs} = Q_{\text{loop}} = -1/3$$

$$B \rightarrow X_s \gamma \text{ Th : } \mathcal{B}_{s\gamma} \times 10^4 = (3.39 \pm 0.17) - 2.10 (3.93 C_{7\gamma s} + C_{8gs})_{\mu\text{EW}}$$

**Naively some partial accidental cancellation, could be a good model building starting point.*

- Two options for the colored NP mediator: [\[Misiak, Rehman, Steinhauser, 2002.01548\]](#)

Color along the bosonic line

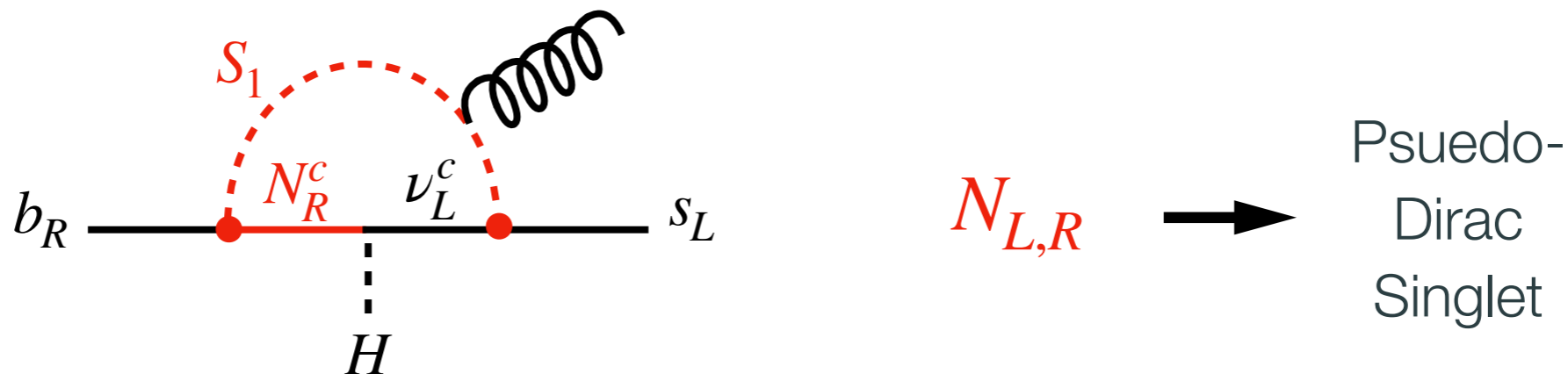
$$S_1 \sim (3, 1, -1/3)$$

Color along the fermionic line

$$Q \sim (3, 2, 1/6)$$

A scalar leptoquark model

- We go for the $S_1 \sim (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, -1/3)$ scalar leptoquark option, since it is one of three mediators that can explain the charged-current B anomalies ($R_D, R_{D^*}, \text{etc.}$)



Chiral Enhancement: TeV-scale N_R with an O(1) Yukawa

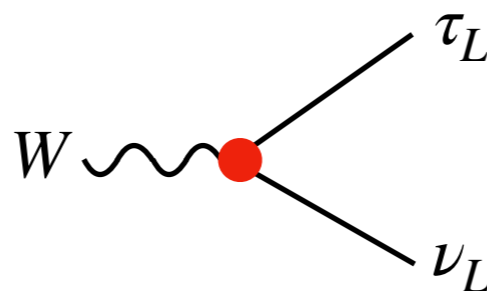
$$\mathcal{L} \supset -y_N \bar{\ell}_L^3 \tilde{H} N_R - M_R \bar{N}_L N_R - \frac{1}{2} \mu \bar{N}_L N_L^c$$

$$\nu_L^3 \rightarrow \cos(\theta_\tau) \nu_L^3 + \sin(\theta_\tau) N_L$$

Inverse seesaw

$$m_\nu \approx \frac{y_N^2 v^2}{2M_R^2} \mu \equiv \theta_\tau^2 \mu$$

*Correlated deviations in precision observables:



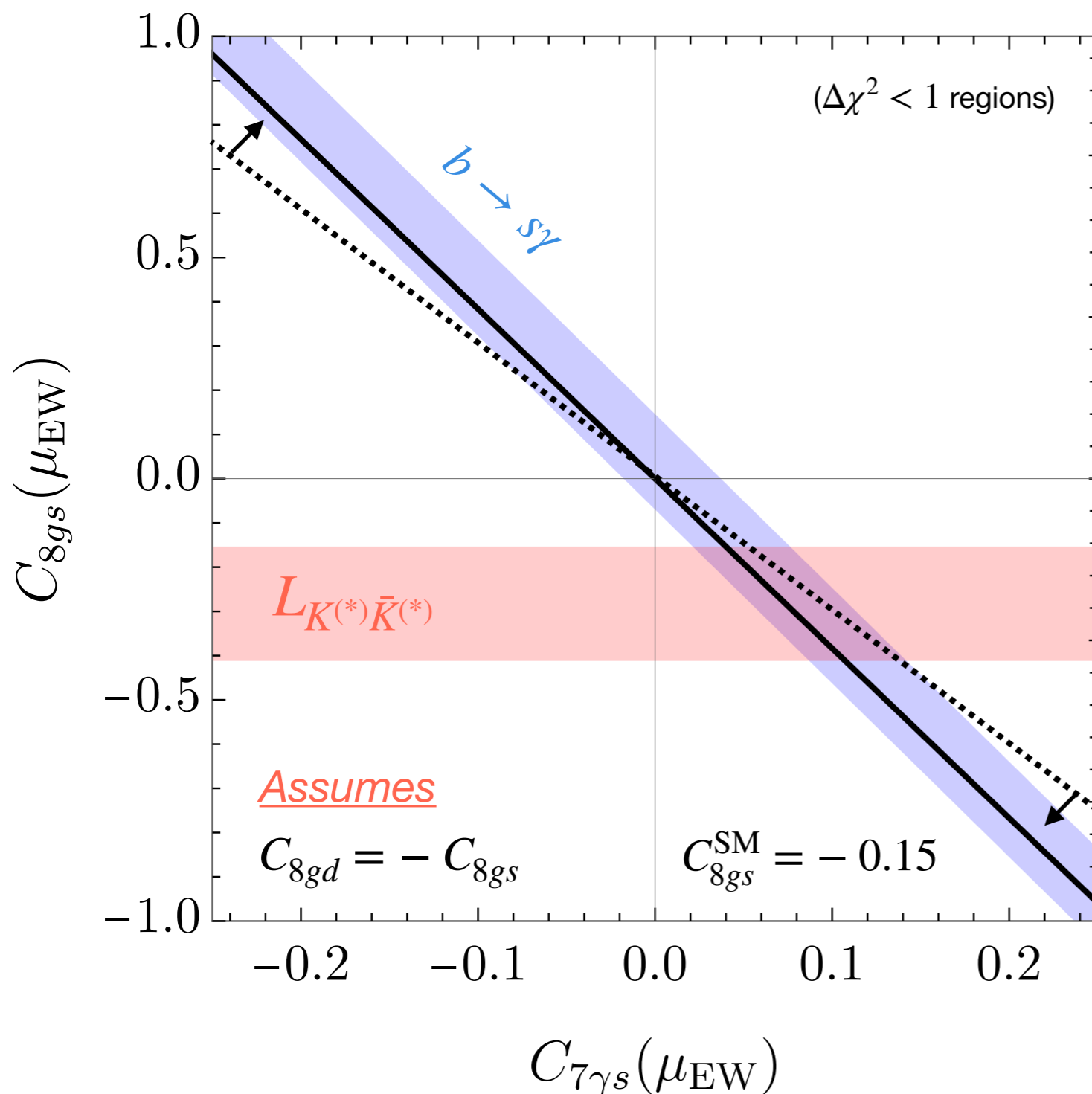
$$\theta_\tau \lesssim 0.05$$

(EWPD + τ decays)

Evading the electromagnetic dipole

$$S_1 \sim (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{-1/3}$$

$$\mathcal{B}_{s\gamma} \times 10^4 = (3.39 \pm 0.17) - 2.10 (3.93 C_{7\gamma s} + C_{8gs})_{\mu_{EW}}$$



Dashed line: No RGE

$$\frac{C_{7\gamma s}}{C_{8gs}} \approx -\frac{1}{3}$$

Solid line: Includes RGE
from 2 TeV to μ_{EW}

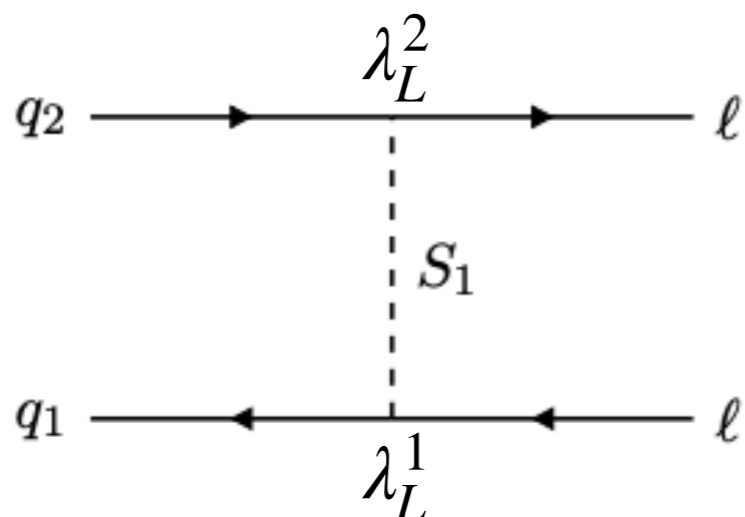
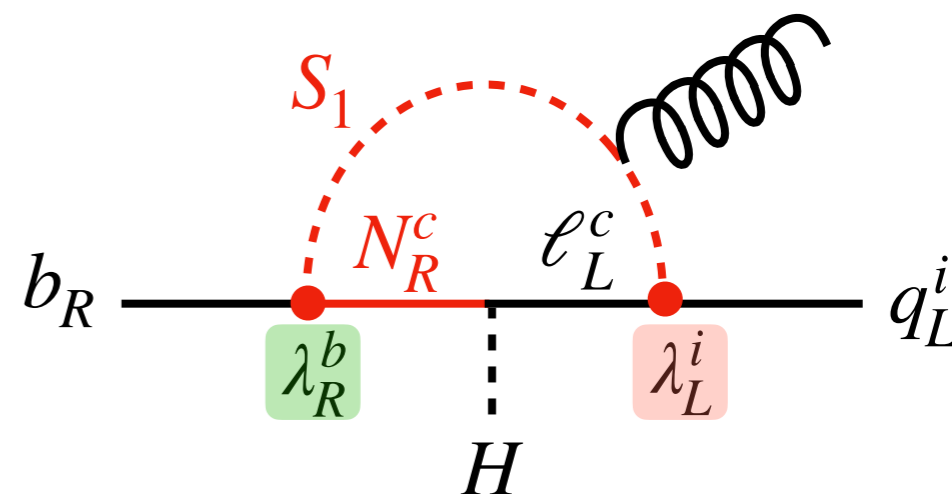
$$\frac{C_{7\gamma s}}{C_{8gs}} \approx -\frac{1}{3.8}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} [C_{dG}]_{i3} \\ [C_{dB}]_{i3} \\ [C_{dW}]_{i3} \end{pmatrix}_{\mu_{EW}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.952 & 0.001 & -0.036 \\ 0.016 & 0.932 & -0.016 \\ -0.047 & -0.002 & 0.909 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} [C_{dG}]_{i3} \\ [C_{dB}]_{i3} \\ [C_{dW}]_{i3} \end{pmatrix}_{M_1}$$

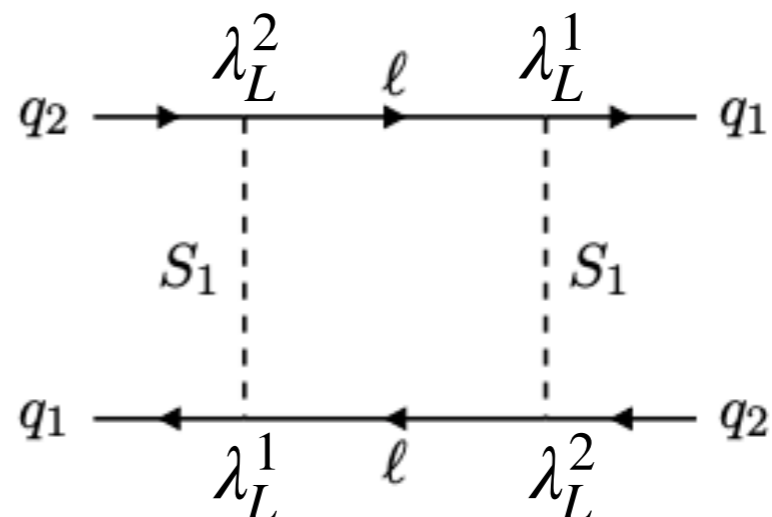
But, vanilla version has FCNC issues...

We need the following couplings:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda_L^i \bar{q}_L^{ci} \epsilon \ell_L^3 S_1 + \lambda_R^b \bar{b}_R^c N_R S_1$$



$$K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$$



$$K - \bar{K} / D - \bar{D}$$

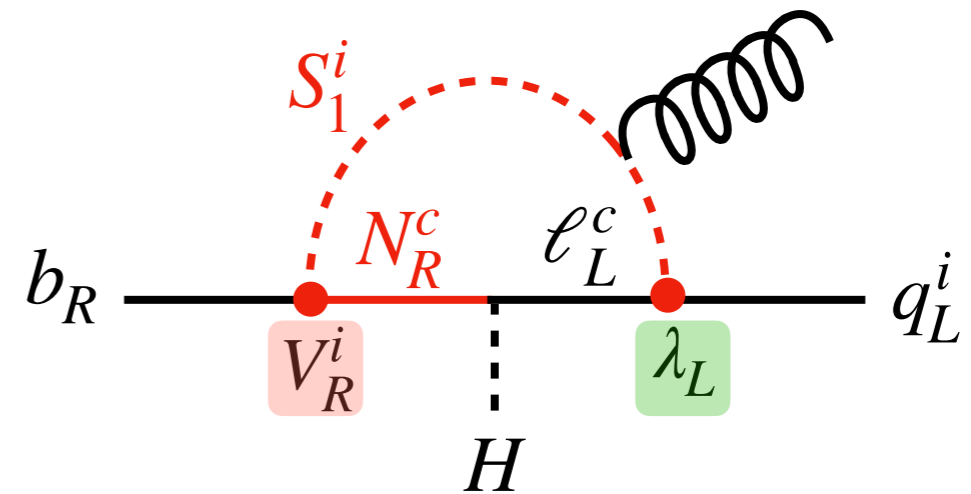
- Fundamental issue here is that we need $\lambda_L^i \approx (-V_{td}/V_{ts}, 1) \times 0.3$, giving a larger-than-CKM breaking of $U(2)_q$.

The way out: Add flavor to the LQ

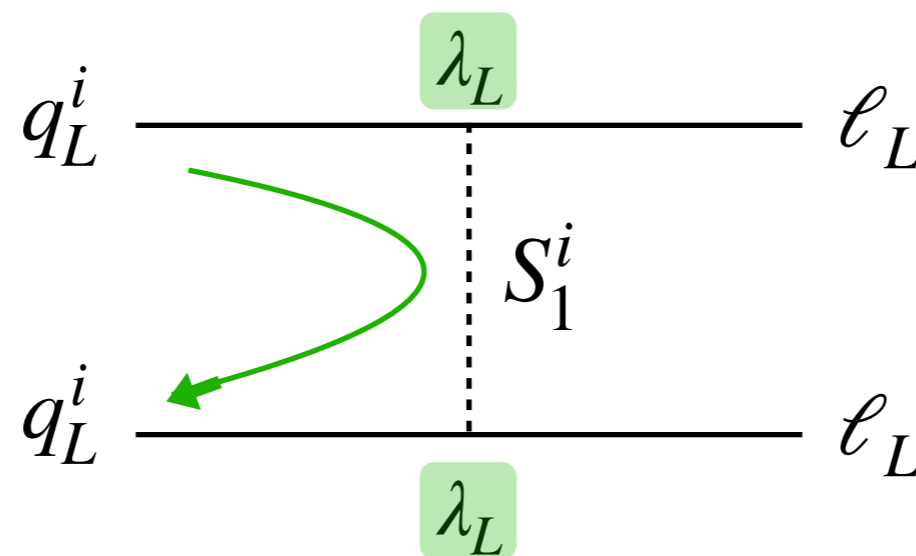
We promote:

$$S_1 \rightarrow S_1^i, \quad [2 \text{ of } U(2)_q]$$

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda_L \bar{q}_L^{ci} \epsilon \ell_L^3 S_1^i + V_R^i \bar{b}_R^c N_R S_1^i$$



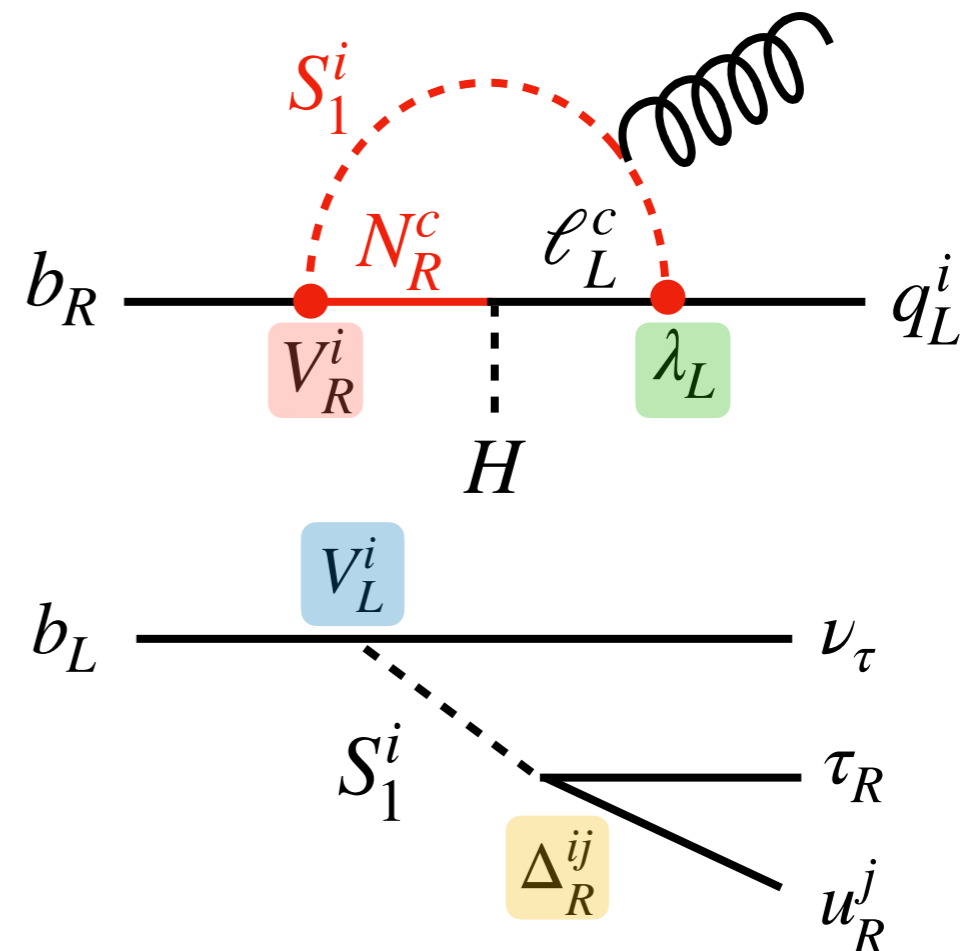
- FCNC's now protected since we have one LQ for each flavor (similar to squarks in SUSY). Shifts the breaking of $U(2)_q$ to the coupling V_R^i . At low energy, this coupling only enters via loops, like in the chromomagnetic dipole we need.



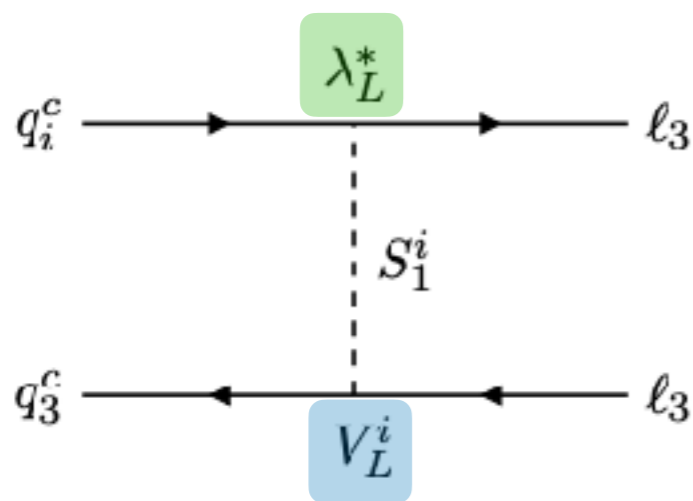
What about $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$?

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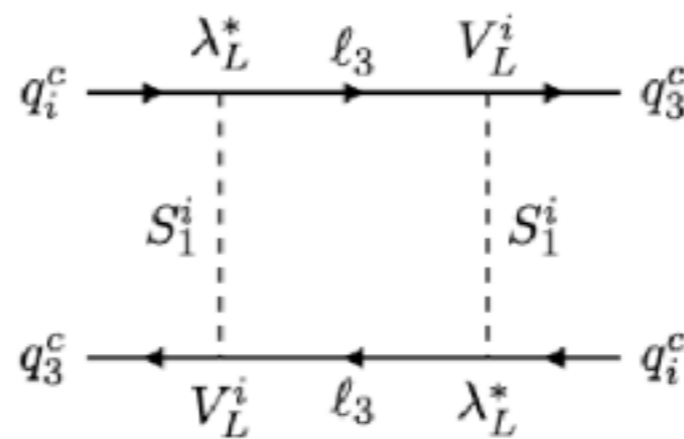
$$\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda_L \bar{q}_L^{ci} \epsilon \ell_L^3 S_1^i + V_R^i \bar{b}_R^c N_R S_1^i + V_L^i \bar{q}_L^{c3} \epsilon \ell_L^3 S_1^i + \Delta_R^{ij} \bar{u}_R^{ci} \tau_R S_1^j$$



- New couplings needed for RD/RD*. Maybe not so nice at first glance, but these couplings are new U(2)-breaking sources. Generate new FCNC's:



$B \rightarrow K(\pi)\nu\bar{\nu}$



$B_{s,d} - \bar{B}_{s,d}$

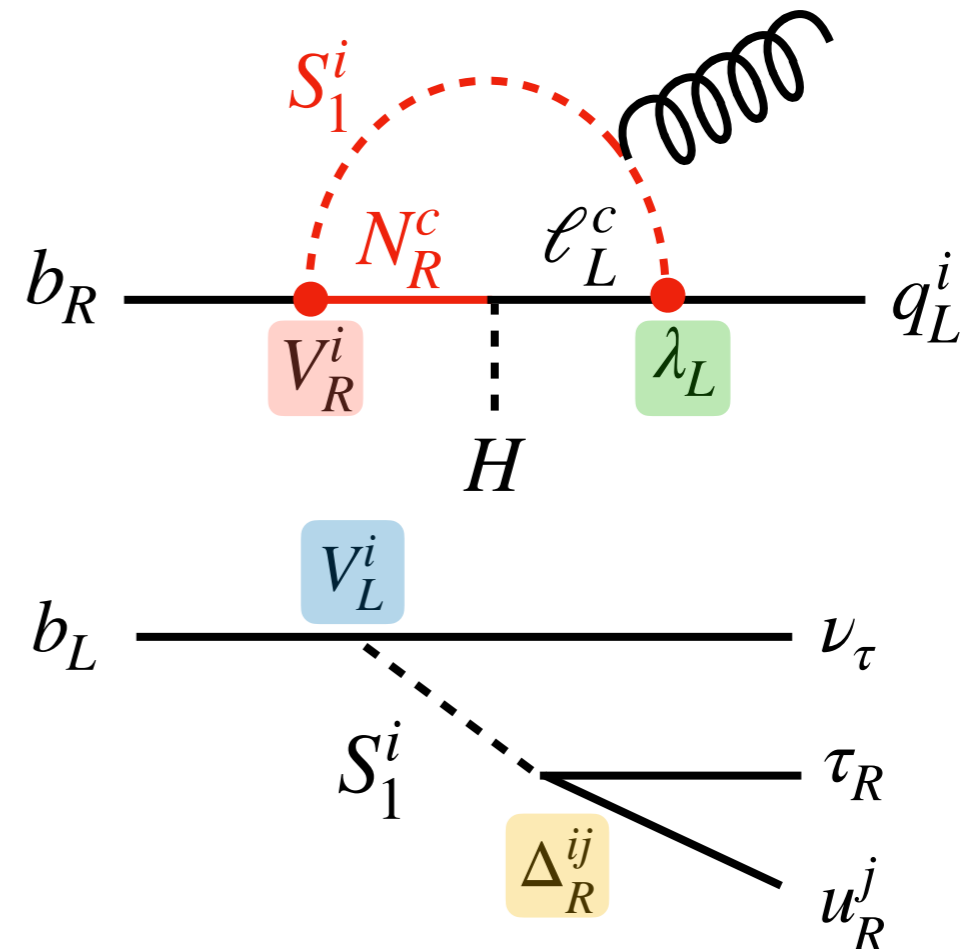
$$V_L = (\epsilon_L, 1) \lambda_L^b$$

$$\Delta_R^{ij} = \lambda_R \frac{m_t}{m_c} y_u^{ij}$$

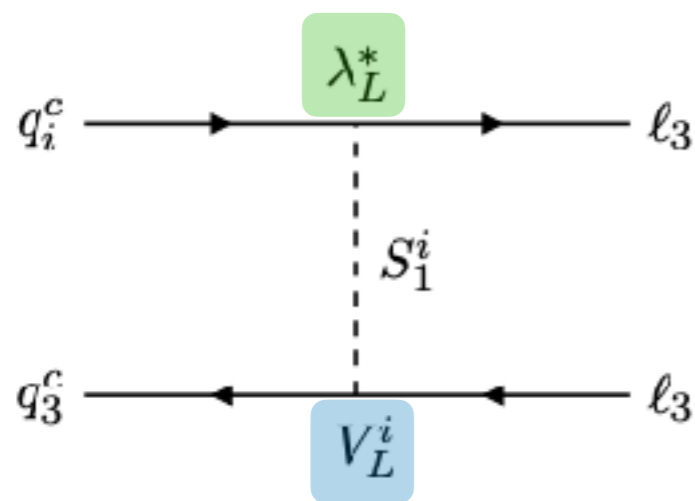
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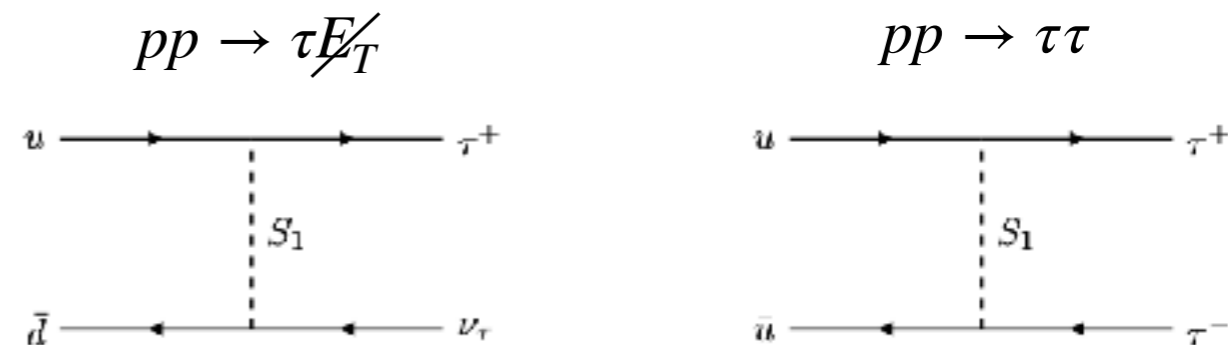
Combining the non-leptonic and charged-current anomalies predicts $B \rightarrow K\nu\bar{\nu} \propto \lambda_L V_L$. Same combination gives a sub-dominant vector contribution to RD/RD that improves the fit.

Putting everything together

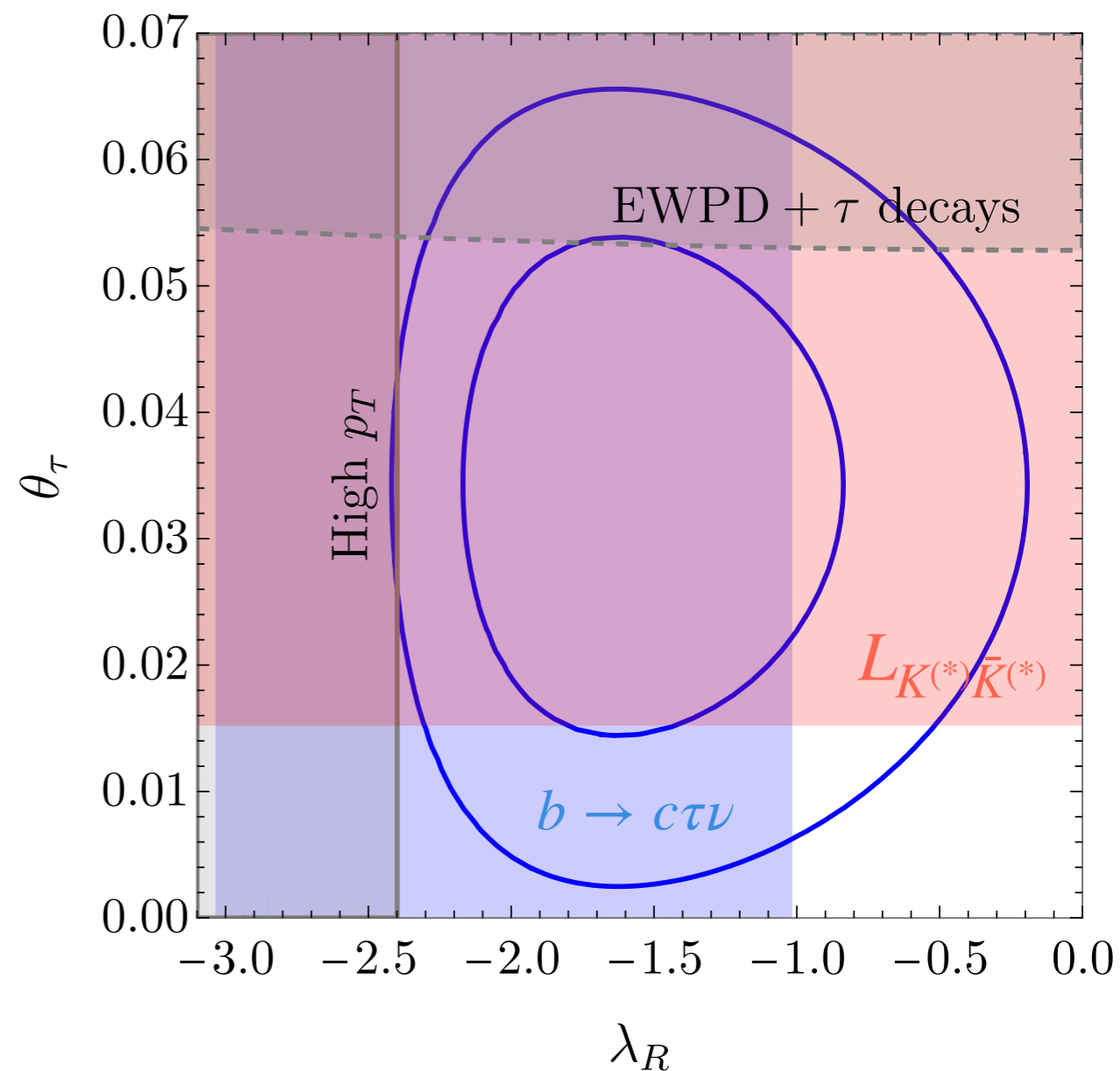
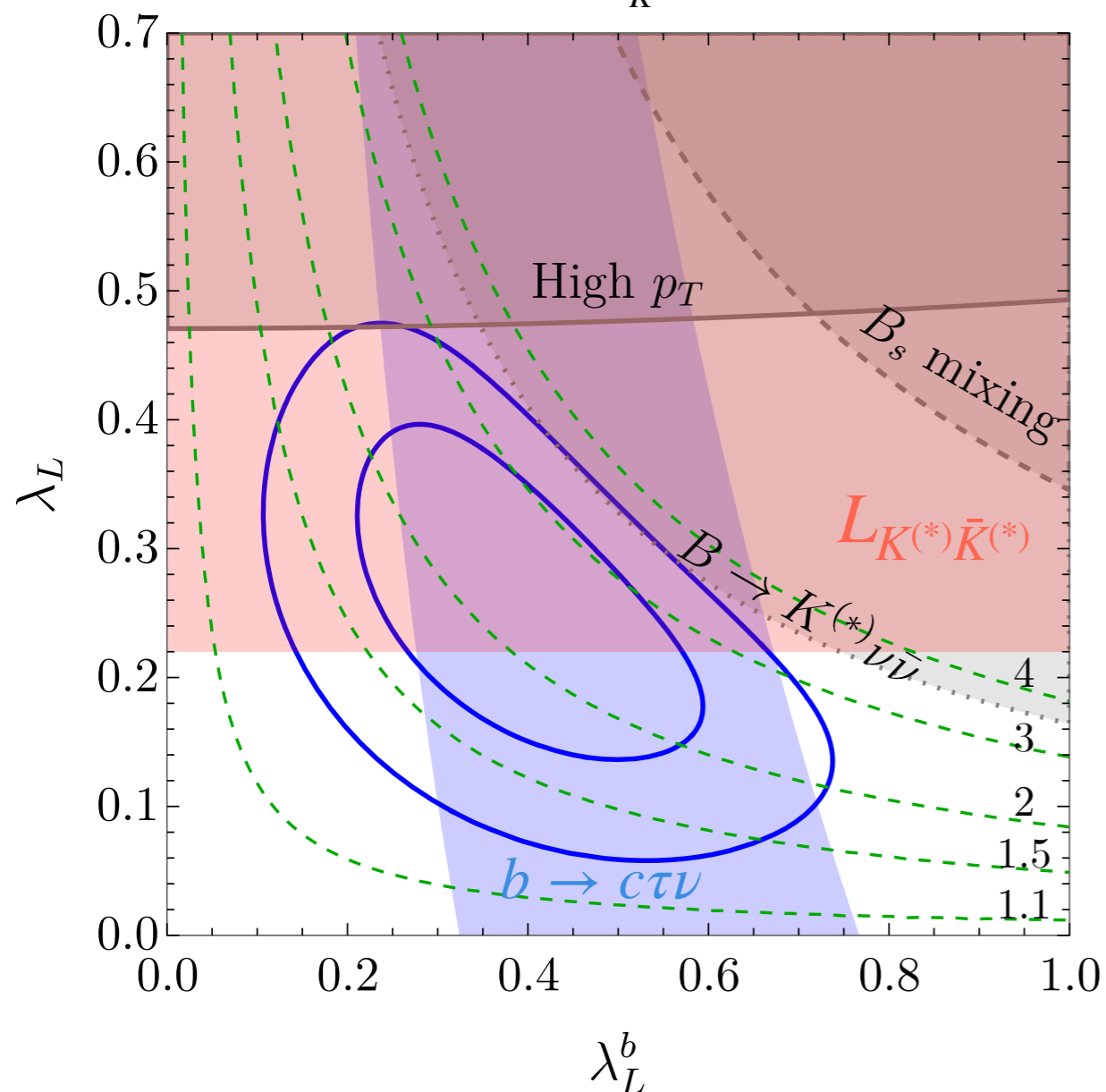
[Lizana, Matias, BAS, [2306.09178](#)]

$B \rightarrow K\nu\bar{\nu}$ Average:

$$R_K^\nu = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+\nu\bar{\nu})_{\text{exp}}}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+\nu\bar{\nu})_{\text{SM}}} = 2.8 \pm 0.8$$



--- R_K^ν contours



Conclusions

- Not so easy to have a consistent explanation of the $B_{s,d} \rightarrow K^{(*)}\bar{K}^{(*)}$ non-leptonic puzzle from heavy NP at short distances.
- The best option we found is going for NP in the gluon dipole, choosing a mediator with the right quantum numbers to pass the associated FCNC bound from $B \rightarrow X_s\gamma$.
- Interestingly, these criteria allow the S_1 LQ as a possible mediator, which is also 1 of only 3 mediators that can provide an explanation for hints of LFUV in $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$ transitions.
- While the couplings needed are distinct for $B_{s,d} \rightarrow K^{(*)}\bar{K}^{(*)}$ and $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$, their combined explanation necessarily leads to an enhancement in $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K\nu\bar{\nu})$, as hinted by current data. It is intriguing that these three “curiosities” can be consistently connected via a single dynamical mediator.

Discussion points

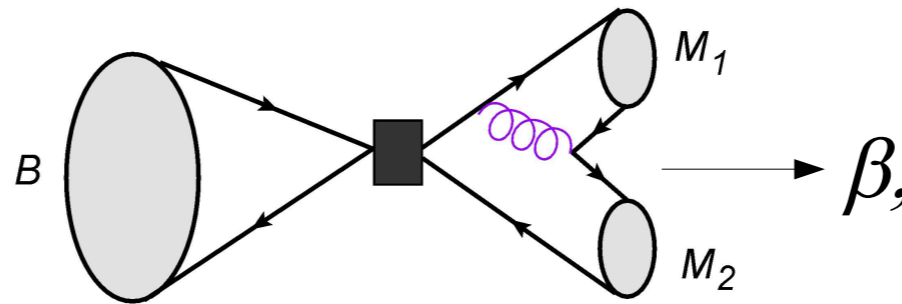
- Interesting modes, plethora of observables, LHCb capabilities in reconstructing $B \rightarrow 4h$ with $h = \pi, K$ final states offer great precision on measurement related to these decays
- We are working towards update with full Run1+Run2 statistics + Run3 update of many different $B \rightarrow VV$ modes
 - $B_{(s)} \rightarrow K^{(*)}\bar{K}^{(*)}, B_s \rightarrow \phi K^{*,0}, B_d \rightarrow \rho K^{*,0}, B^+ \rightarrow \rho K^{*+}, B_{(s)} \rightarrow \omega K^{*,0} \dots$

[\[Related talk by Aritra and Gilberto tomorrow!\]](#)

- Experimental precision on $L_{K^* \bar{K}^*}$ is $\sim 20\%$ while the theory prediction QCDf (naive SU(3)) is 14%-40% for PP and VV modes (18(?)% - 50%)
 - Experimental precision is expected to increase thanks to increase in statistics and usage of covariant formalism to reduce systematic uncertainties
 - Important to work towards reducing the SM prediction uncertainty

Discussion points

- Can data be used to constrain the contributions from annihilation topologies?



- Use the idea by T. Huber, G. Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi: constrain size QCD-factorisation amplitudes through SU(3) symmetry in $B \rightarrow V_1 V_2$ decays [EPJC 82 (2022) 3, 210]
- Two ways of representing the amplitudes $B \rightarrow M_1 M_2$ with $M_i = P, V$ mesons:
 - Topological decomposition, $SU(3)$ irreducible representation \rightarrow Expand using QCD-factorisation and establish connections to implement constraint
 - Can we perform the same exercise as $B \rightarrow PP$ for VV to obtain a set of closed equations that allow to single out modes to constrain non factorisable contributions?
 - With a more global analysis we might get some more discriminating power against long dist contributions?
- And what about the form factors? Currently driving the $L_{M_1 M_2}$ theory uncertainty prediction especially in the VV case!

Decay amplitudes in QCdf

Nucl.Phys.B 675 (2003) 333-415

$$\sum_{p=u,c} A_{M_1 M_2} \left\{ \mathbf{B} \mathbf{M}_1 \left(\alpha_1 \mathbf{U}_p + \alpha_4^p + \alpha_{4,\text{EW}}^p \hat{\mathbf{Q}} \right) \mathbf{M}_2 \Lambda_p \right. \\ + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{M}_1 \Lambda_p \cdot \text{Tr} \left[\left(\alpha_2 \mathbf{U}_p + \alpha_3^p + \alpha_{3,\text{EW}}^p \hat{\mathbf{Q}} \right) \mathbf{M}_2 \right] \\ + \mathbf{B} \left(\beta_2 \mathbf{U}_p + \beta_3^p + \beta_{3,\text{EW}}^p \hat{\mathbf{Q}} \right) \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{M}_2 \Lambda_p \\ + \mathbf{B} \Lambda_p \cdot \text{Tr} \left[\left(\beta_1 \mathbf{U}_p + \beta_4^p + b_{4,\text{EW}}^p \hat{\mathbf{Q}} \right) \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{M}_2 \right] \\ + \mathbf{B} \left(\beta_{S2} \mathbf{U}_p + \beta_{S3}^p + \beta_{S3,\text{EW}}^p \hat{\mathbf{Q}} \right) \mathbf{M}_1 \Lambda_p \cdot \text{Tr} \mathbf{M}_2 \\ \left. + \mathbf{B} \Lambda_p \cdot \text{Tr} \left[\left(\beta_{S1} \mathbf{U}_p + \beta_{S4}^p + b_{S4,\text{EW}}^p \hat{\mathbf{Q}} \right) \mathbf{M}_1 \right] \cdot \text{Tr} \mathbf{M}_2 \right\},$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta_q}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta'_q}{\sqrt{2}} & \pi^- & K^- \\ \pi^+ & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta_q}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta'_q}{\sqrt{2}} & \bar{K}^0 \\ K^+ & K^0 & \eta_s + \eta'_s \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega_q}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\phi_q}{\sqrt{2}} & \rho^- & K^{*-} \\ \rho^+ & -\frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega_q}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\phi_q}{\sqrt{2}} & \bar{K}^{*0} \\ K^{*+} & K^{*0} & \omega_s + \phi_s \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\Lambda_p = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \lambda_p^{(d)} \\ \lambda_p^{(s)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = (B^-, \bar{B}^0, \bar{B}_s)$$

$$\mathbf{U}_p = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{pu} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{Q}} = \frac{3}{2} \mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

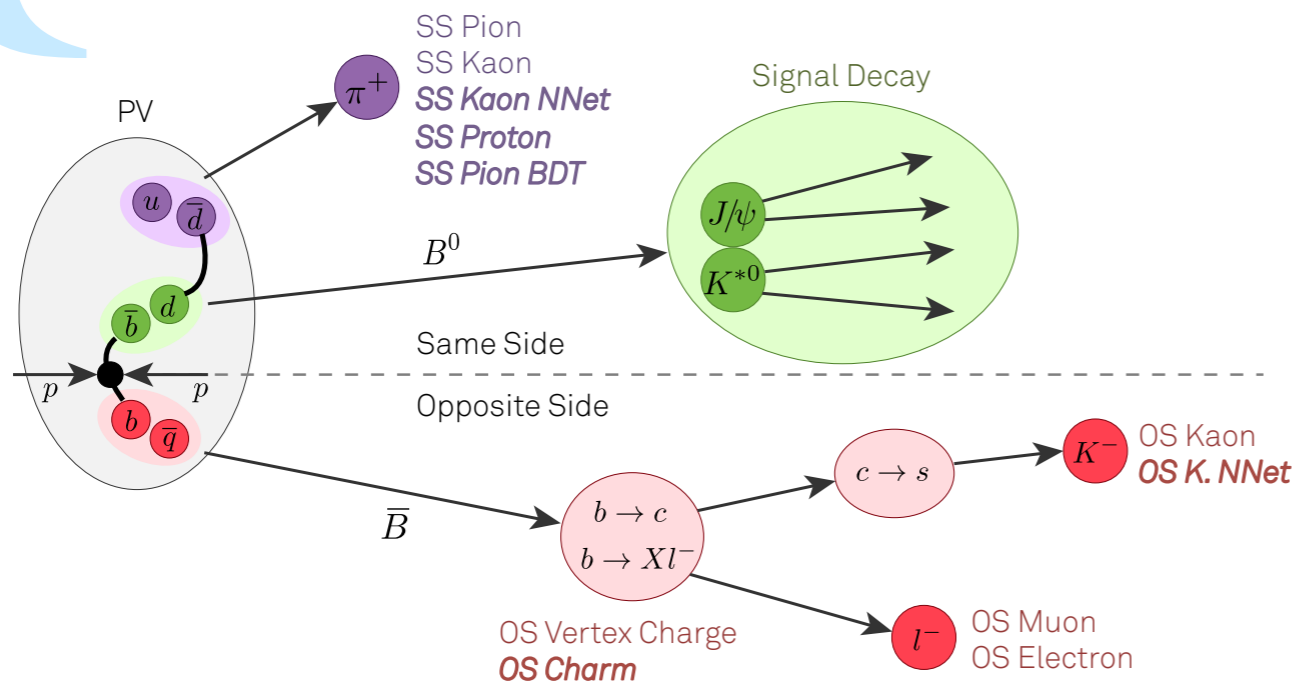
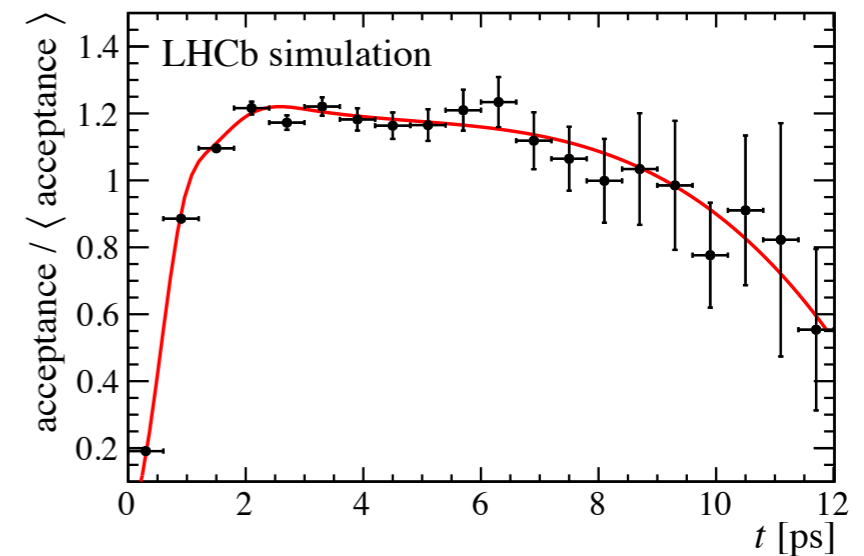
Backup

$B \rightarrow K^{(*)0} \bar{K}^{(*)0}$ measurements

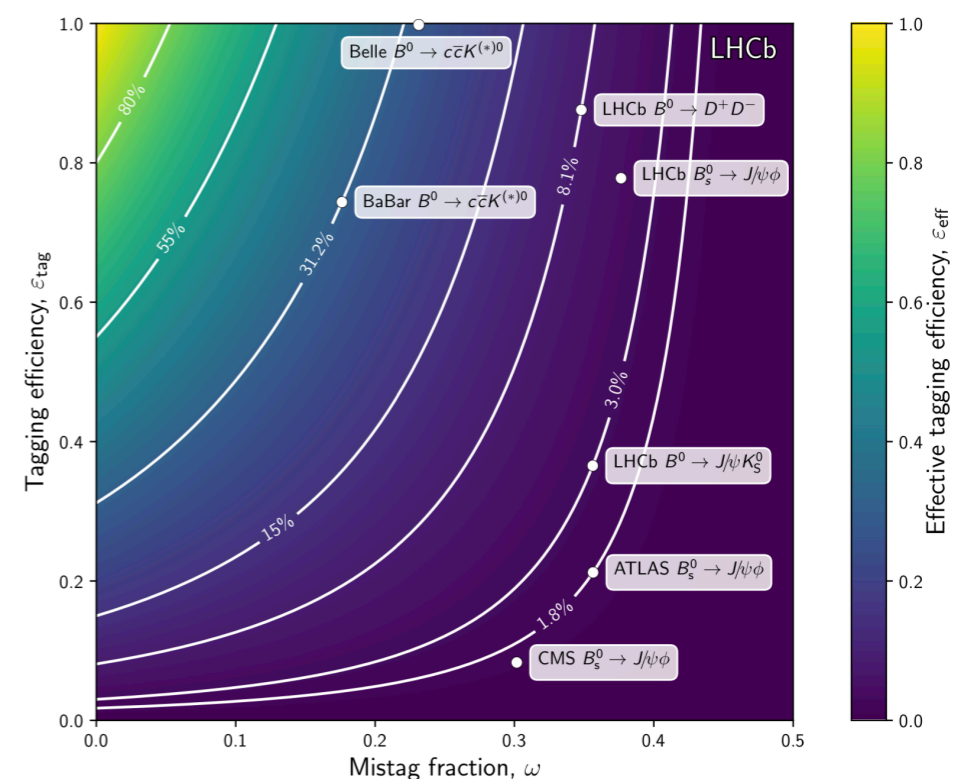
- Flavour tagged analyses allow to access to TD CP violation [LHCb: JHEP 03 (2018) 140] and measurement of the CKM angles β, β_s

- Requires decay time acceptance modelling

- Involves flavour tagging of the B at production



[Credits to J. G. Pardiñas for the nice plot!]



[LHCb-FIGURE-2020-002]

Theory error budget on $L_{K^* \bar{K}^*}$

Form Factors

- LCSR from [Barucha, Straub, Zwicky]
- Main source of uncertainty
- Could be reduced using B_s and B_d correlations

Input	Relative Error		
	$L_{K^* \bar{K}^*}$	$ P_s ^2$	$ P_d ^2$
f_{K^*}	(-0.1%, +0.1%)	(-6.8%, +7.1%)	(-6.8%, +7%)
$A_0^{B_d}$	(-22%, +32%)	—	(-24%, +28%)
$A_0^{B_s}$	(-28%, +33%)	(-28%, +33%)	—
λ_{B_d}	(-0.6%, +0.2%)	(-4.6%, +2.1%)	(-4.1%, +1.9%)
$\alpha_2^{K^*}$	(-0.1%, +0.1%)	(-3.6%, +3.7%)	(-3.6%, +3.6%)
X_H	(-0.2%, +0.2%)	(-1.8%, +1.8%)	(-1.6%, +1.6%)
X_A	(-4.3%, +4.4%)	(-17%, +19%)	(-13%, +14%)
κ	(-1.4%, +2.2%)	—	—
Others	(-1.3%, +1.1%)	(-2.7%, +2.5%)	(-1.6%, +1.6%)

IR divergencies

[JHEP04(2021)066]

- 100% uncertainty and free complex phase, influence substantially reduced in $L_{K^* \bar{K}^*}$
- U-spin correlation between B_s and B_d is parametrisation independent
- Even if X_A different for B_s and B_d still FF are dominating the error

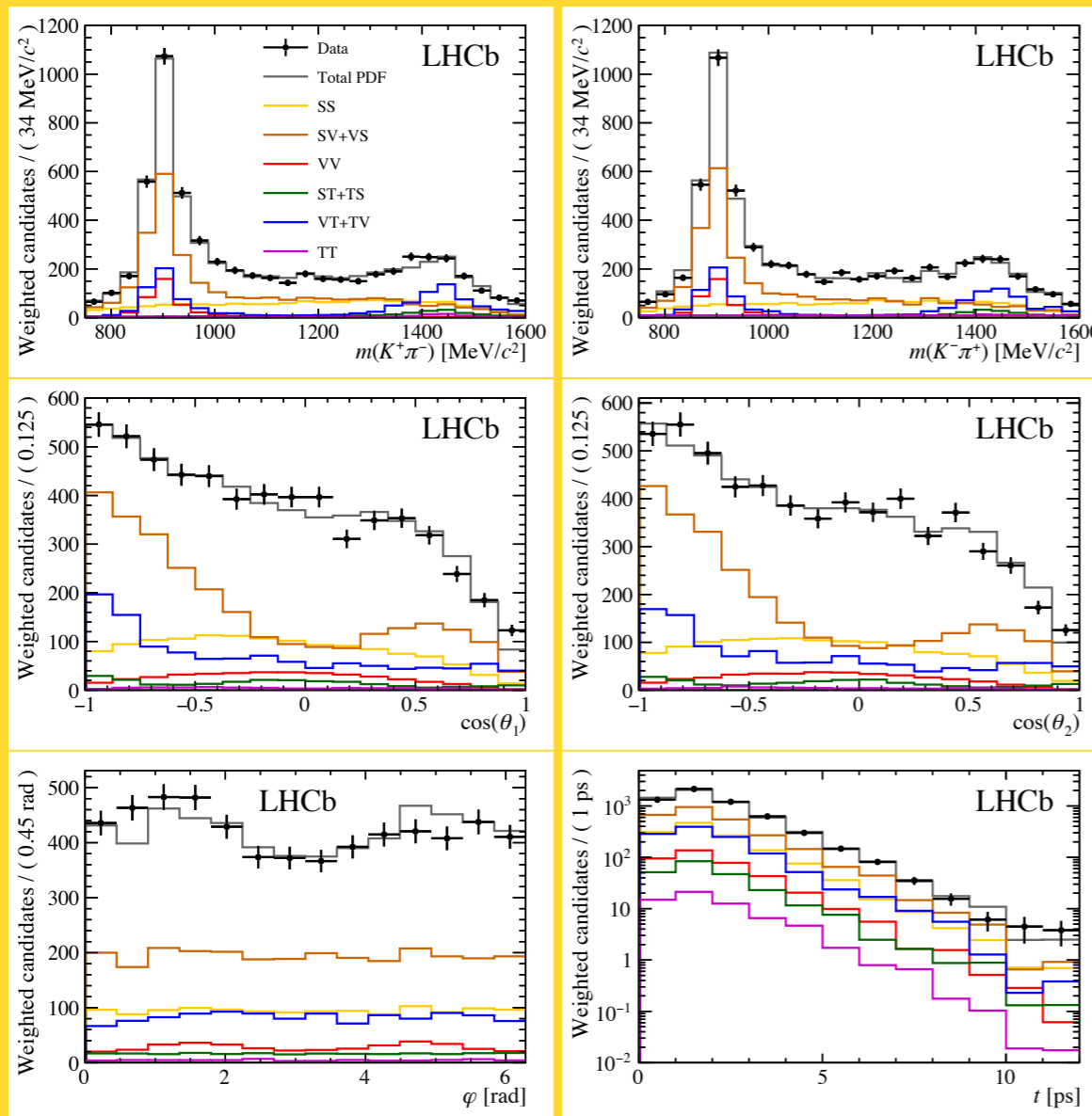
$$X_{A,H} = (1 + \rho_{A,H} e^{i\phi_{A,H}}) \ln \left(\frac{m_B}{\Lambda_h} \right)$$

$$\rho_{A,H} \in [0, 1], \phi_{A,H} \in [0, 2\pi]$$

[Beneke, Buchalla, Neubert, Sachrajda]

$B \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ at LHCb

Analysis performed in a large $m_{K\pi}$ window, involved spectroscopy work (19 polarisation amplitudes with scalar, vector and tensor components), six- dimensional fit



...sation hierarchy $f_L \gg f_{\parallel, \perp}$ in
 ...ing [Nucl.Phys.B774:64-101,2007] :

$$0.72^{+0.16}_{-0.21}$$

TD CP asymmetries in
 $B_{(s)} \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ with 3fb^{-1} of data

- First measurement of the CP-violating phase

$$\phi_s^{S\bar{S}} = -0.10 \pm 0.13(\text{stat}) \pm 0.14(\text{syst})$$

- Low value of $f_L^{B_s}$ confirmed

$$f_L^{B_s} = 0.208 \pm 0.032(\text{stat}) \pm 0.046(\text{syst})$$

The crossed modes, $B_{(s)} \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^0$ and $B_{(s)} \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} K^0$

One can define L ratios using crossed PV and VP modes, depending on which spectator quark ends in up in a P or V meson:

$$\hat{L}_{K^*} = \rho(m_{K^0}, m_{\bar{K}^{*0}}) \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^0)}{\mathcal{B}(B_d \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^0)} \quad \hat{L}_K = \rho(m_{K^0}, m_{\bar{K}^{*0}}) \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow K^0 \bar{K}^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B_d \rightarrow K^0 \bar{K}^{*0})}$$

Experimentally challenging as it requires flavour tagging for both the B^0 and B_s ,

$$L_{K^*} = 2 \rho(m_{K^0}, m_{K^{*0}}) \frac{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^0)}{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_d \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} K^0) + \mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_d \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 K^{*0})}$$

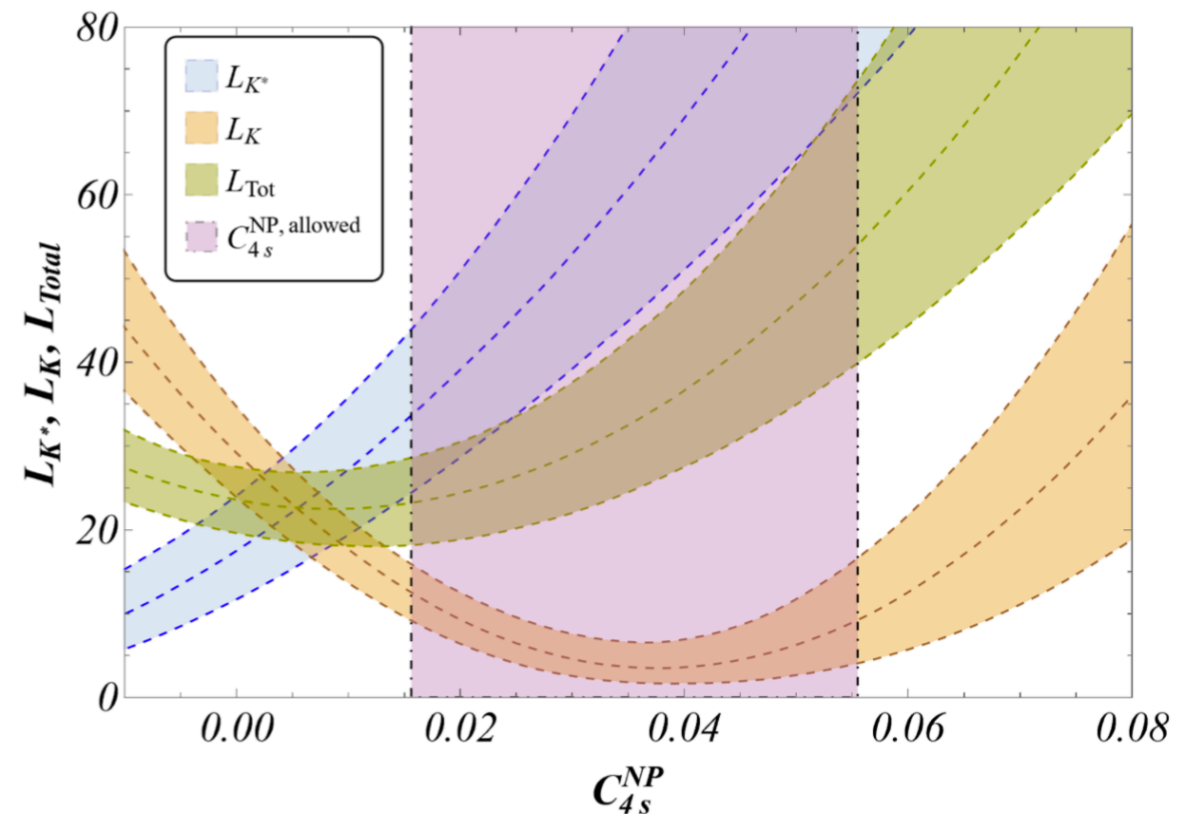
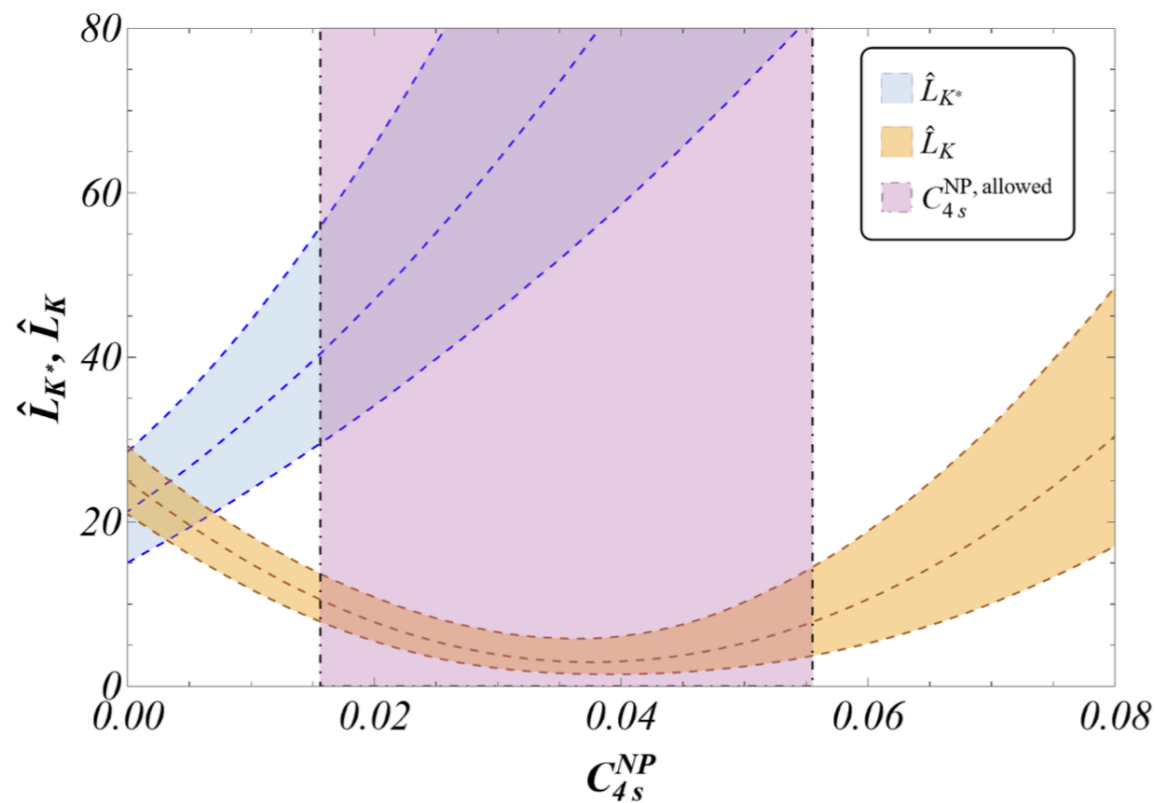
$$L_K = 2 \rho(m_{K^0}, m_{K^{*0}}) \frac{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_s \rightarrow K^0 \bar{K}^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_d \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} K^0) + \mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_d \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 K^{*0})}$$

$$L_{\text{total}} = \rho(m_{K^0}, m_{K^{*0}}) \left(\frac{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^0) + \mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_s \rightarrow K^0 \bar{K}^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_d \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} K^0) + \mathcal{B}(\bar{B}_d \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 K^{*0})} \right)$$

**FT required
only on the B_s .**

No FT required.

The crossed modes, $B_{(s)} \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^0$ and $B_{(s)} \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} K^0$



- Measurements are only available for, $\text{Br}(B_s \rightarrow K^0 + \bar{K}^{*0}) + \text{Br}(B_s \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 + K^{*0})$ [JHEP 06 (2019) 114], No B_d results yet
- Current ongoing $B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K^*$ (892) to access L_{total}
- Plans to measure the tagged ones

Covariant amplitude formalism

Amplitudes are expressed in terms of eigenstates of CP and angular momentum operators. Stated described by contracting polarisation tensors with corresponding orbital waves L

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{VV}^S &: S \propto \epsilon_\mu(V_1) \epsilon^\mu(V_2) , \\
 A_{VV}^P &: S \propto \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} L^\alpha(V_1, V_2) \epsilon^\beta(V_1) \epsilon^\nu(V_2) p^\mu(B) , \\
 A_{VV}^D &: S \propto L_{\mu\nu}(V_1, V_2) \epsilon^\mu(V_1) \epsilon^\nu(V_2) , \\
 A_{VS}^+ &: S \propto \epsilon_\mu(V_1) L^\mu(V_1, S_2) + \epsilon_\mu(V_2) L^\mu(S_1, V_2) , \\
 A_{VS}^- &: S \propto \epsilon_\mu(V_1) L^\mu(V_1, S_2) - \epsilon_\mu(V_2) L^\mu(S_1, V_2) , \\
 A_{SS} &: S \propto 1 ,
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 \begin{aligned}
 V_{1,2} &\equiv |K^\pm \pi^\mp\rangle_{J=1} \\
 S_{1,2} &\equiv |K^\pm \pi^\mp\rangle_{J=0}
 \end{aligned}$$

Amplitude for each contribution

$$A_i(\Phi_4) = B_{L_B}(\Phi_4) \left[B_{L_{K^+\pi^-}}(\Phi_4) T_{K^+\pi^-}(\Phi_4) \right] \left[B_{L_{K^-\pi^+}}(\Phi_4) T_{K^-\pi^+}(\Phi_4) \right] S_i(\Phi_4)$$

Where:

- $B_{L_B}(B_{L_{K^\pm\pi^\mp}})$ are production barrier factors depending on the orbital momentum between $B(K^\pm\pi^\mp)$ decay products
- $T(s)$ are 2-body mass propagators
- S_i are spin densities from above

$$A(B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow (K^+\pi^-)(K^-\pi^+))(\Phi_4) = \sum_i a_i A_i(\Phi_4)$$

a_i complex coefficients, fit to data