

B Physics in the LHC Era: Selected Topics

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- Setting the Stage
- Focus on two Topics:
 - Search for New Physics in $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
 - Search for New Physics in $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$
- Concluding Remarks



Setting the Stage

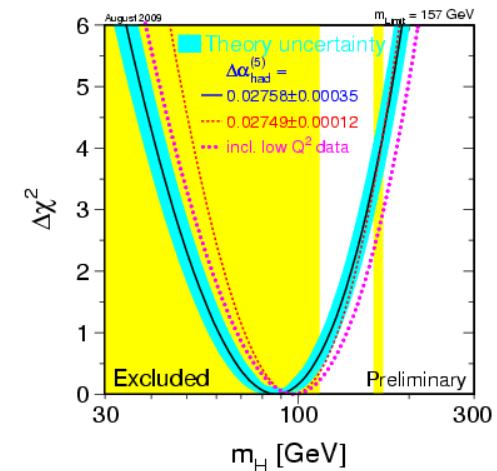
Status of the Standard Model

- The Standard Model (SM) is still very healthy:

- Survived the era of EW precision tests in the '90s at LEP and SLC!
- But what causes EW symmetry breaking?
- Higgs mechanism or an alternative?

→ SM fit $m_H = (87_{-26}^{+35})\text{GeV}$.

CDF & DØ → ATLAS & CMS



- Quark flavour physics and CP violation:

- Many new insights through data + theory ...
- Still a large territory is unexplored: → LHCb

- We have indications that the SM cannot be complete:

- Neutrino masses $\neq 0$: suggest see-saw mechanism, GUT scenarios ...
- Baryon asymmetry of the Universe (SM cannot generate it ...)
- The long-standing problem of dark matter ...

⊕ fundamental theoretical questions (hierarchy problem, ...)

(New) Flavour Physics: Where Do We Stand?

- Lessons from the B, D, K, \dots data collected so far:

- CKM matrix is the dominant source of flavour and CP violation.
- New effects not yet established, although there are potential signals: hadronic $b \rightarrow s$ penguins, $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ mixing, $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$, $(g - 2)_\mu$, ...

- Implications for the structure of New Physics:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{NP}}(\varphi_{\text{NP}}, g_{\text{NP}}, m_{\text{NP}}, \dots)$$

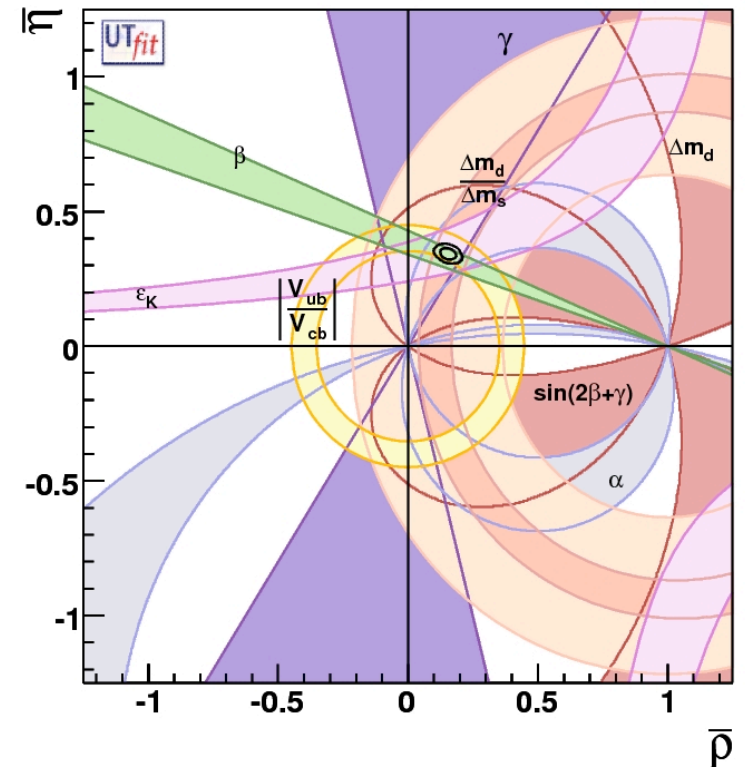
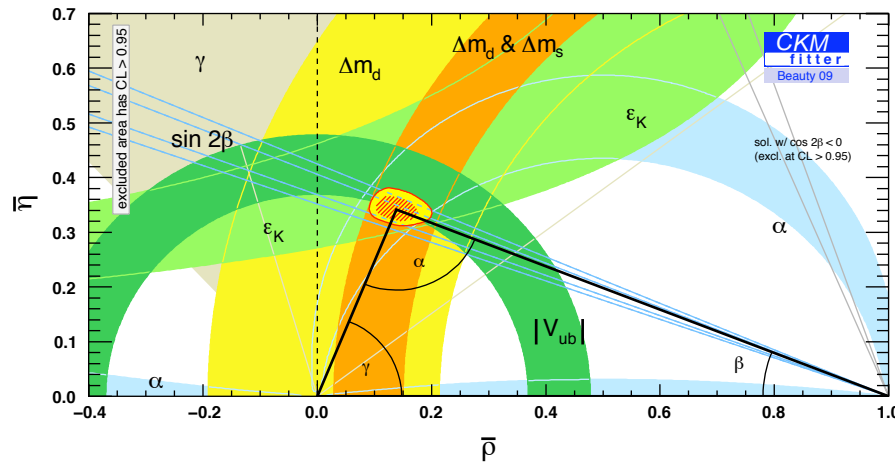
- Large characteristic NP scale Λ_{NP} , i.e. not just $\sim \text{TeV}$, which would be bad news for the direct searches at ATLAS and CMS, or (and?) ...
- Symmetries prevent large NP effects in FCNCs and the flavour sector; most prominent example: *Minimal Flavour Violation (MFV)*.

- Comments:

- MFV is still far from being experimentally established!
- There are various non-MFV scenarios with room for sizeable effects :-)
SUSY, WED, LHT, Z' models, 4th generation, ...
- Nevertheless, we have to be prepared to deal with “smallish” NP effects :-)

Status of the Unitarity Triangle

- Continuously updated analyses: [\rightarrow talk by Marco Ciuchini]
 - *CKMfitter* Collaboration [<http://ckmfitter.in2p3.fr/>];
 - *UTfit* Collaboration [<http://www.utfit.org/>]:



The Challenge to Detect NP in Flavour Physics

- The key problem: strong interactions → “hadronic” uncertainties
 - The theory is formulated in terms of quarks, while flavour-physics experiments use their QCD bound states, i.e. B , D and K mesons.
 - In calculations of the relevant transition amplitudes, we encounter process-dependent, *non-perturbative* “hadronic” parameters!?
 - [→ lattice QCD: lots of progress (e.g., B_K), but still a long way to go...
→ talk by Jochen Heitger]
- The B -meson system is a particularly promising flavour probe:
 - Simplifications through the large b -quark mass $m_b \sim 5 \text{ GeV} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$.
 - Offers various strategies to eliminate the hadronic uncertainties and to determine the hadronic parameters from the data.
 - Tests of SM relations that could be spoiled by NP ...
- Two attractive ways for NP to manifest itself: → FCNCs
 - Contributions @ decay amplitude level to rare SM processes.
 - Contributions to $B_q^0-\bar{B}_q^0$ mixing ($q \in \{d, s\}$).

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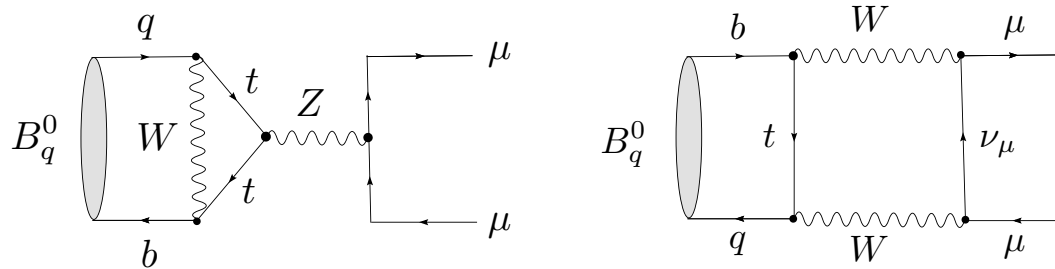
Search for New Physics

in

$$B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

The Rare Decays $B_q \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ ($q \in \{d, s\}$)

- Originate from Z penguins and box diagrams in the Standard Model:



- Corresponding low-energy effective Hamiltonian: [Buchalla & Buras (1993)]

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\frac{\alpha}{2\pi \sin^2 \Theta_W} \right] V_{tb}^* V_{tq} \eta_Y Y_0(x_t) (\bar{b}q)_{V-A} (\bar{\mu}\mu)_{V-A}$$

- α : QED coupling; Θ_W : Weinberg angle.
- η_Y : short-distance QCD corrections (calculated ...)
- $Y_0(x_t \equiv m_t^2/M_W^2)$: “Inami–Lim function”, with top-quark dependence.
- Hadronic matrix element: \rightarrow very simple situation:
 - Only the matrix element $\langle 0 | (\bar{b}q)_{V-A} | B_q^0 \rangle$ is required: f_{B_q}

\Rightarrow belong to the cleanest rare B decays!

- SM predictions: [Buras ('09); lattice input: Lubicz & Tarantino ('09)]

- Use the data for the ΔM_q to trade f_{B_q} into \hat{B}_q :

$$\frac{\text{BR}(B_q \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\Delta M_q} = 4.4 \times 10^{-10} \frac{\tau_{B_q} Y^2(\nu)}{\hat{B}_q S(\nu)}$$

- Expression holds in CMFV models. Application to the SM gives:

$$\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.6 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\text{BR}(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (1.1 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-10}$$

- The error is dominated by the lattice result $\hat{B}_q = 1.22 \pm 0.12$.

- Most recent experimental upper bounds from the Tevatron:

- CDF collaboration @ 95% C.L.: [CDF Public Note 9892 (2009)]

$$\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) < 4.3 \times 10^{-8}, \quad \text{BR}(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) < 7.6 \times 10^{-9}$$

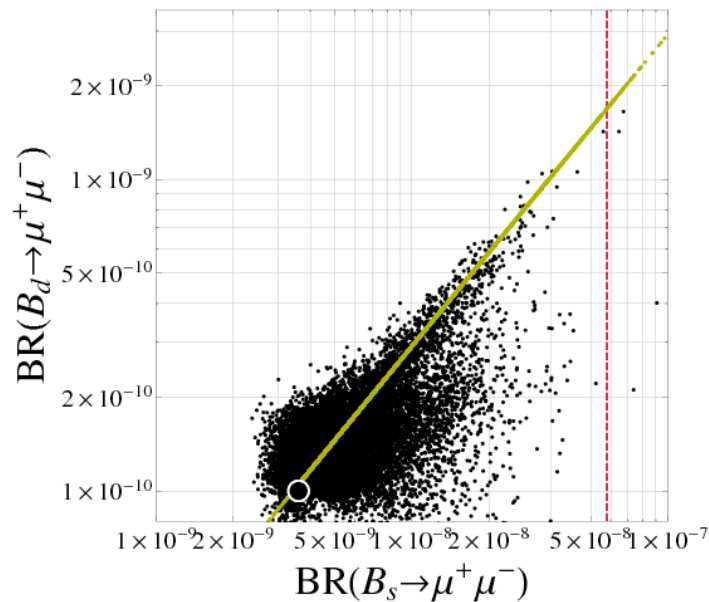
- DØ collaboration @ 90% C.L. (95% C.L.): [DØ, arXiv:1006.3469 [hep-ex]]

$$\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) < 4.2 (5.1) \times 10^{-8} \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{still a long way (?)}}$$

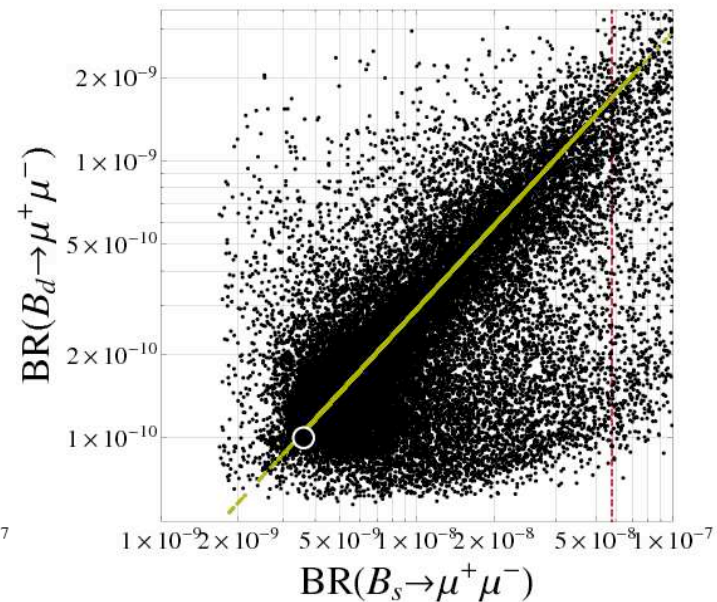
NP may enhance BRs significantly...

Babu & Kolda, Dedes *et al.*, Foster *et al.*, Carena *et al.*, Isidori & Paradisi, ...

- Example of a recent analysis: → *supersymmetric flavour models:*



(RVV2 model)



(δ LL model)

[Altmannshofer, Buras, Gori, Paradisi & Straub (2009) → talk by P. Paradisi]

Prospects for $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ @ LHCb

- At LHCb, the extraction of $\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$ will rely on normalization channels ($B_u^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$, $B_d^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ and/or $B_d^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$):

$$\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = \text{BR}(B_q \rightarrow X) \frac{\epsilon_X N_{\mu\mu} f_q}{\epsilon_{\mu\mu} N_X f_s}$$

- ϵ factors are total detector efficiencies.
- N factors denote the observed numbers of events.
- f_q are fragmentation functions, which describe the probability that a b quark will fragment in a B_q meson ($q \in \{u, d, s\}$).

- A closer look shows:

f_q/f_s is the major source of uncertainty

- Limits the ability to detect a 5σ deviation from the SM at LHCb to $\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) > 11 \times 10^{-9}$ (assuming $\Delta f_d/f_s = 13\%$).
- $\text{BR}(B_s)$ measurements by Belle($\Upsilon(5S)$) will also be limited to $\gtrsim 13\%$.
- Consequently, the determinations of f_d/f_s are not sufficient to meet the high precision at LHCb :-)

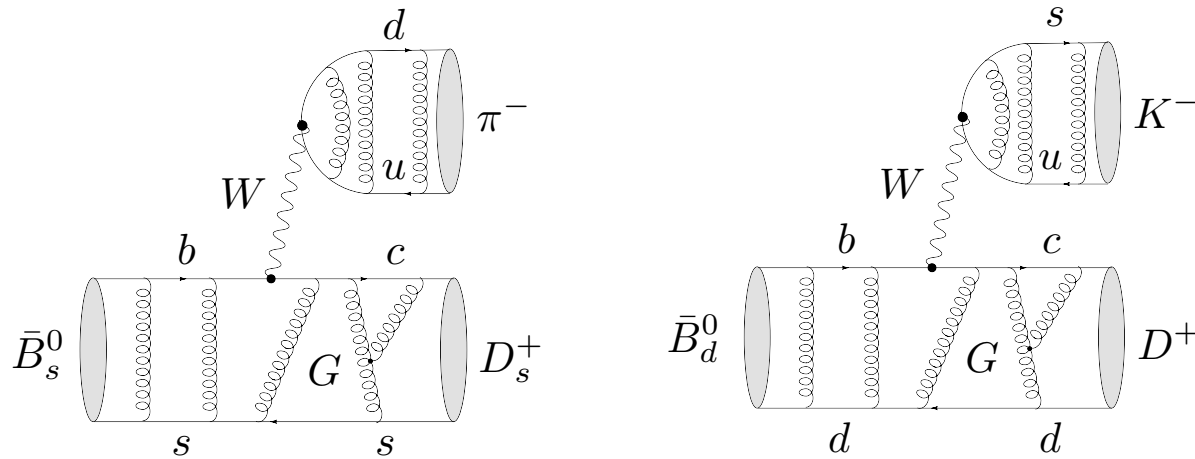
→ Proposal of a New Strategy:

→ $measure f_d/f_s$ at LHCb:

- Decays should be robust with respect to NP
- Decays should be well suited for LHCb

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$$\bar{B}_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^- \quad \& \quad \bar{B}_d^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-$$



- Decays have interesting features:

- Only contributions from colour-allowed tree-diagram-like topologies.
- Hadronic amplitudes are related by the U -spin symmetry.
- Decays are known as prime examples for “factorization”:

$$\mathcal{A}(\bar{B}_q^0 \rightarrow D_q^+ P^-) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_q^* V_{cb} a_1(D_q P) f_P F_0^{(q)}(m_P^2)(m_{B_q}^2 - m_{D_q}^2)$$

[Bjorken ('89); Dugan & Grinstein ('91); Beneke *et al.* ('00); Bauer *et al.* ('01)]

- QCD factorization (QCDF): [Beneke, Buchalla, Neubert & Sachrajda (2000)]

- a_1 is found as a quasi-universal quantity $|a_1| \simeq 1.05$ with very small process-dependent “non-factorizable” corrections.

→ so far no application, but ...

- We can use these decays for the determination of f_d/f_s @ LHCb:

– Ratio of branching ratios:

$$\frac{\text{BR}(\bar{B}_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-)}{\text{BR}(\bar{B}_d^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-)} \sim \frac{\tau_{B_s}}{\tau_{B_d}} \left| \frac{V_{ud}}{V_{us}} \right|^2 \left(\frac{f_\pi}{f_K} \right)^2 \left[\frac{F_0^{(s)}(m_\pi^2)}{F_0^{(d)}(m_K^2)} \right]^2 \left| \frac{a_1(D_s \pi)}{a_1(D_d K)} \right|^2$$

– Ratio of the number of signal events observed in the experiment:

$$\frac{N_{D_s \pi}}{N_{D_d K}} = \frac{f_s \epsilon_{D_s \pi}}{f_d \epsilon_{D_d K}} \frac{\text{BR}(\bar{B}_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-)}{\text{BR}(\bar{B}_d^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-)},$$

– Determination of f_d/f_s :

$$\frac{f_d}{f_s} = 12.88 \times \frac{\tau_{B_s}}{\tau_{B_d}} \times \left[\mathcal{N}_a \mathcal{N}_F \left(\frac{\epsilon_{D_s \pi} N_{D_d K}}{\epsilon_{D_d K} N_{D_s \pi}} \right) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{N}_a \equiv \left| \frac{a_1(D_s \pi)}{a_1(D_d K)} \right|^2, \quad \mathcal{N}_F \equiv \left[\frac{F_0^{(s)}(m_\pi^2)}{F_0^{(d)}(m_K^2)} \right]^2$$

Experimental Prospects @ LHCb

- $\bar{B}_d^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-$ and $\bar{B}_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-$ can be exclusively reconstructed using the $D^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+$ channels:

⇒ identical $K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$ final states

⇒ small uncertainty on $\epsilon_{D_s \pi} / \epsilon_{D_d K}$

- Toy Monte Carlo, generating a 0.2 fb^{-1} sample (→ end of 2010):

– Expect about 5500 $\bar{B}_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-$ and 1100 $\bar{B}_d^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-$ events:

⇒ 7.5% error for $r \equiv (\epsilon_{D_s \pi} N_{D_d K}) / (\epsilon_{D_d K} N_{D_s \pi})$

– Dominant uncertainty from $\text{BR}(D_s \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi) = (5.50 \pm 0.28)\%$.

- Extrapolation to 1 fb^{-1} (→ end of 2011):

– The statistical uncertainty becomes essentially negligible.

– The total uncertainty is reduced to $\Delta r \sim 5.6\% \rightarrow$ looks nice!

[Study with full LHCb simulation in progress (N. Serra & N. Tuning *et al.*)]

Theoretical Uncertainties → U -Spin-Breaking Effects

$$\frac{f_d}{f_s} = 12.88 \times \frac{\tau_{B_s}}{\tau_{B_d}} \times \left[\mathcal{N}_a \mathcal{N}_F \left(\frac{\epsilon_{D_s\pi} N_{D_dK}}{\epsilon_{D_dK} N_{D_s\pi}} \right) \right]$$

- Non-factorizable, U -spin-breaking effects:

$$\mathcal{N}_a \equiv \left| \frac{a_1(D_s\pi)}{a_1(D_dK)} \right|^2 \approx 1 + 2\Re(a_1^{\text{NF}}(D_s\pi) - a_1^{\text{NF}}(D_dK))$$

- a_1^{NF} describe non-universal, i.e. process-dependent, non-factorizable contributions, which cannot be calculated reliably.
- However, they arise as power corrections to the heavy-quark limit, i.e. they are suppressed by at least one power of Λ_{QCD}/m_b , and are – in the decays at hand – numerically expected at the few percent level
[Beneke, Buchalla, Neubert & Sachrajda (2000)]
- *Moreover:* we are only sensitive to an $SU(3)$ -breaking difference:

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{1 - \mathcal{N}_a \text{ conservatively expected to be at most a few percent}}$$

→ Note: *we can experimentally test factorization:*

- The PDG value of $\text{BR}(\bar{B}_d^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-) = (2.0 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-4}$ agrees with the QCDF prediction 2.5×10^{-4} in the heavy-quark limit.
- Recent $B_s \rightarrow D_s^{(*)} \pi, D_s^{(*)} \rho$ measurements by Belle @ $\Upsilon(5S)$ are also in agreement with factorization [[Belle Collaboration, arXiv:1003.5312 \[hep-ex\]](#)].
- A stringent factorization test will be feasible by combining the LHCb measurement of $\text{BR}(\bar{B}_d^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-)$ with the BaBar & Belle data for the differential semileptonic $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$ rate at $q^2 = M_K^2$:

$$\frac{\text{BR}(\bar{B}_q^0 \rightarrow D_q^+ P^-) \tau_{B_q}}{d\Gamma(\bar{B}_q^0 \rightarrow D_q^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell) / dq^2 |_{q^2=m_P^2}} = 6\pi^2 |V_q|^2 f_P^2 |a_1(D_q P)|^2 X_P,$$

where X_P deviates from 1 below the percent level.

[Bjorken ('89); Beneke, Buchalla, Neubert & Sachrajda ('00)]

Factorizable, U -spin-breaking effects:

$$\mathcal{N}_F \equiv \left[\frac{F_0^{(s)}(m_\pi^2)}{F_0^{(d)}(m_K^2)} \right]^2$$

- $B_s \rightarrow D_s$ form factors have so far received only small attention:

- Heavy-meson chiral perturbation theory [Jenkins & Savage ('92)]
- QCD sum rules [Blasi *et al.* ('92)]: $\rightarrow \mathcal{N}_F = 1.3 \pm 0.1$

- We can obtain a lower bound on $\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$:

- Assumption: $\mathcal{N}_F > 1$ [radius of B_s^0 is smaller than that of the B_d^0]

$$\Rightarrow \text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) > \underbrace{\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)_0}_{\text{assumes } \mathcal{N}_F = 1}$$

- Interesting probe for NP.

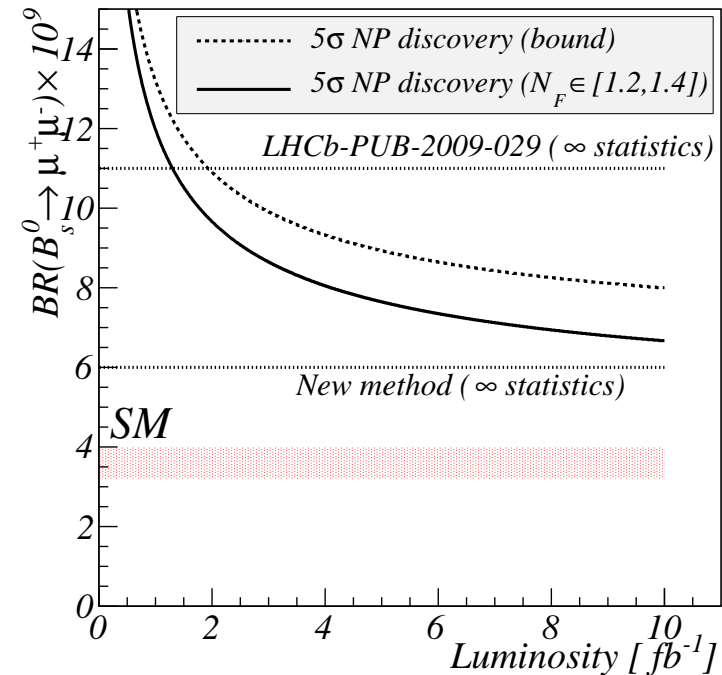
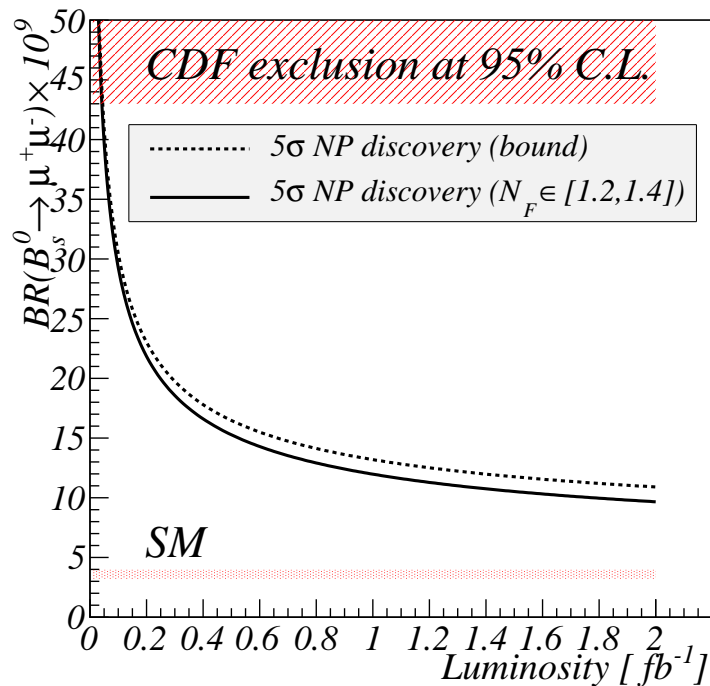
- Benchmark for non-perturbative calculations: \rightarrow lattice QCD

- In order to match experiment, it is sufficient to calculate the U -spin-breaking corrections to $F_0^{(s)}(m_\pi^2)/F_0^{(d)}(m_K^2)$ at the level of 20%.

\rightarrow should be feasible.

Resulting NP Reach for $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ at LHCb

- Contours corresponding to the detection of a 5σ NP signal for the bound and the extracted value of the $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ branching ratio:
 - Assuming Gaussian distribution of the errors for branching ratios.
 - Variation of $\mathcal{N}_F \in [1.2, 1.4]$ and $\mathcal{N}_a \in [0.97, 1.03]$ (which does essentially not affect the contours).



\Rightarrow $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ NP reach at LHCb is increased by ~ 2

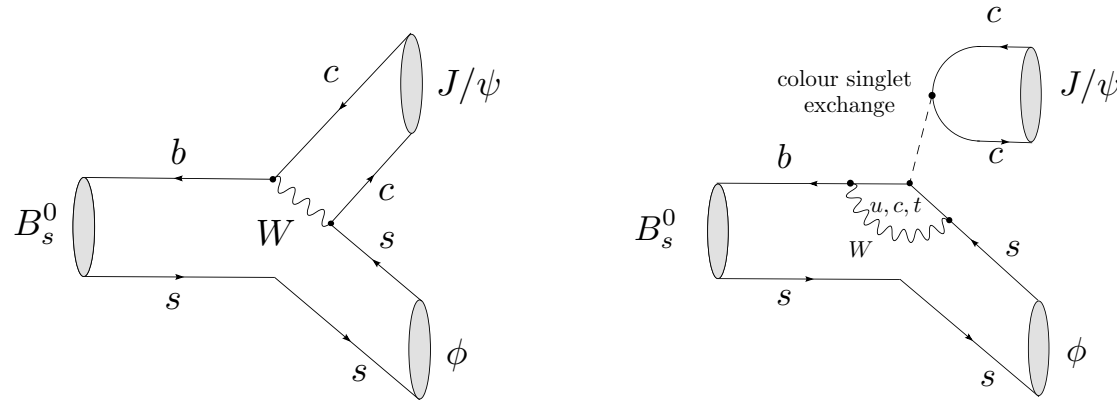
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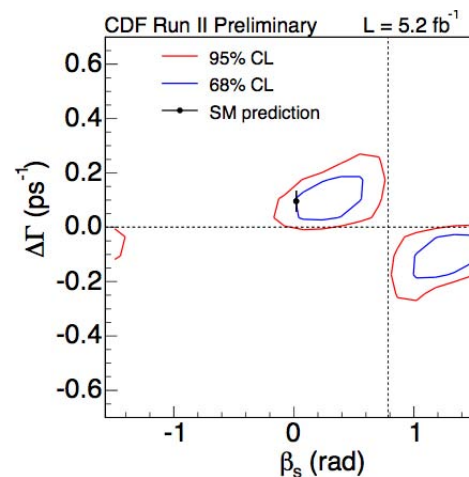
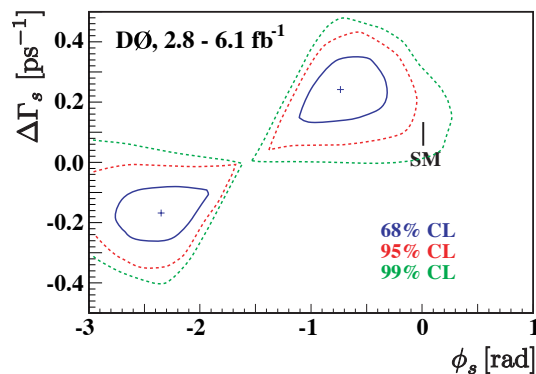
Key Channel: $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$

- CP violation in $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$: \rightarrow probes NP in $B_s^0-\bar{B}_s^0$ mixing



[Dighe, Dunietz & Fleischer (1998); Dunietz, Fleischer & Nierste (2000); ...]

- Recent updates from the Tevatron: $[\phi_s = -2\beta_s]$
 - DØ plot includes the anomalous like-sign dimuon charge asymmetry;
 - CDF plot uses only $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$.



[\rightarrow talks by Rick Jesik (DØ) & Diego Tonelli (CDF)]

Prospects for ϕ_s Measurements at the LHC

- Experimental reach @ LHCb: *very impressive ...*
 - One nominal year of operation, i.e. 2 fb^{-1} : $\sigma(\phi_s)_{\text{exp}} \sim 1^\circ$
 - LHCb upgrade with integrated lumi of 100 fb^{-1} : $\sigma(\phi_s)_{\text{exp}} \sim 0.2^\circ$
- However: *SM penguin effects were so far fully neglected!*

$$\xi_{(\psi\phi)_f}^{(s)} \propto e^{-i\phi_s} \left[1 - \underbrace{2i\lambda^2 a_f e^{i\theta_f} \sin\gamma + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^4)}_{\text{penguin effects}} \right]$$

- What is the impact of these corrections?
- How can they be controlled?
- Theory has to match experiment ...

[S. Faller, R.F. & T. Mannel (2008); see also M. Ciuchini *et al.* (2005)]

Closer Look @ SM Penguin Effects

- CP asymmetries:

$$\frac{|A_f(t)|^2 - |\bar{A}_f(t)|^2}{|A_f(t)|^2 + |\bar{A}_f(t)|^2} = \frac{\hat{A}_D^f \cos(\Delta M_s t) + \hat{A}_M^f \sin(\Delta M_s t)}{\cosh(\Delta \Gamma_s t/2) - \mathcal{A}_{\Delta \Gamma}^f \sinh(\Delta \Gamma_s t/2)}$$

- Impact of hadronic effects:

$$\eta_f \hat{A}_M^f / \sqrt{1 - (\hat{A}_D^f)^2} = \sin(\phi_s + \Delta \phi_s^f)$$

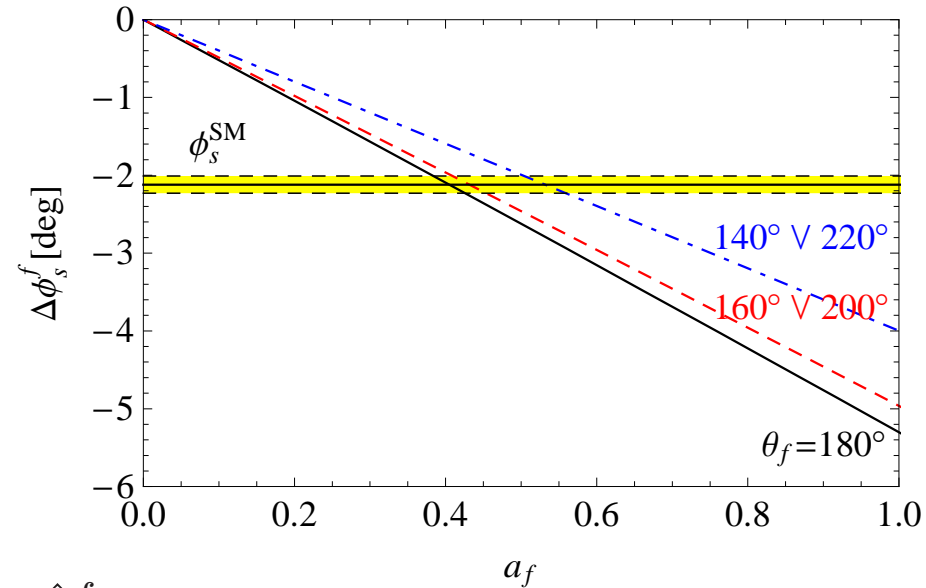
$$\sin \Delta \phi_s^f = \frac{2\epsilon a_f \cos \theta_f \sin \gamma + \epsilon^2 a_f^2 \sin 2\gamma}{N_f \sqrt{1 - (\hat{A}_D^f)^2}}$$

$$\cos \Delta \phi_s^f = \frac{1 + 2\epsilon a_f \cos \theta_f \cos \gamma + \epsilon^2 a_f^2 \cos 2\gamma}{N_f \sqrt{1 - (\hat{A}_D^f)^2}},$$

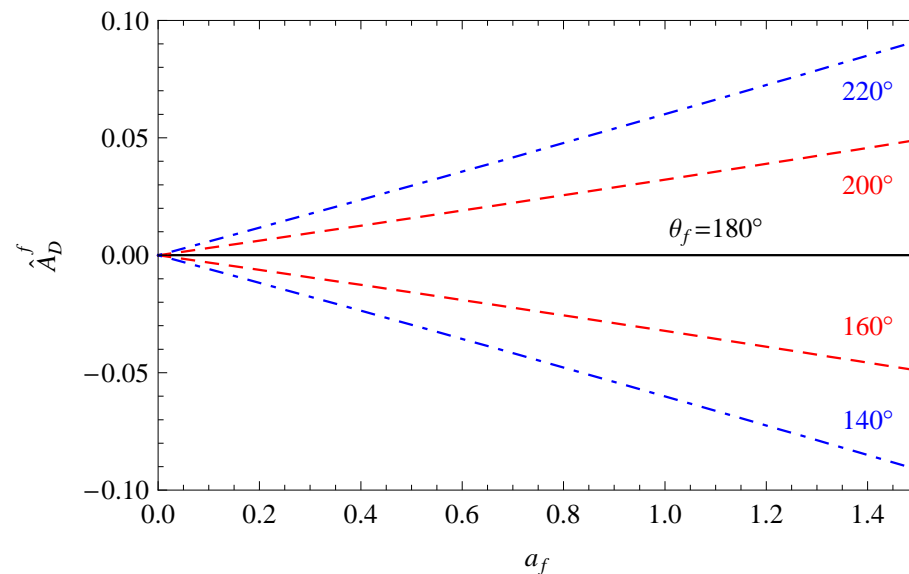
$$N_f \equiv 1 + 2\epsilon a_f \cos \theta_f \cos \gamma + \epsilon^2 a_f^2$$

Illustration of the Effects

- Dependence of $\Delta\phi_s^f$ on a_f for different θ_f :

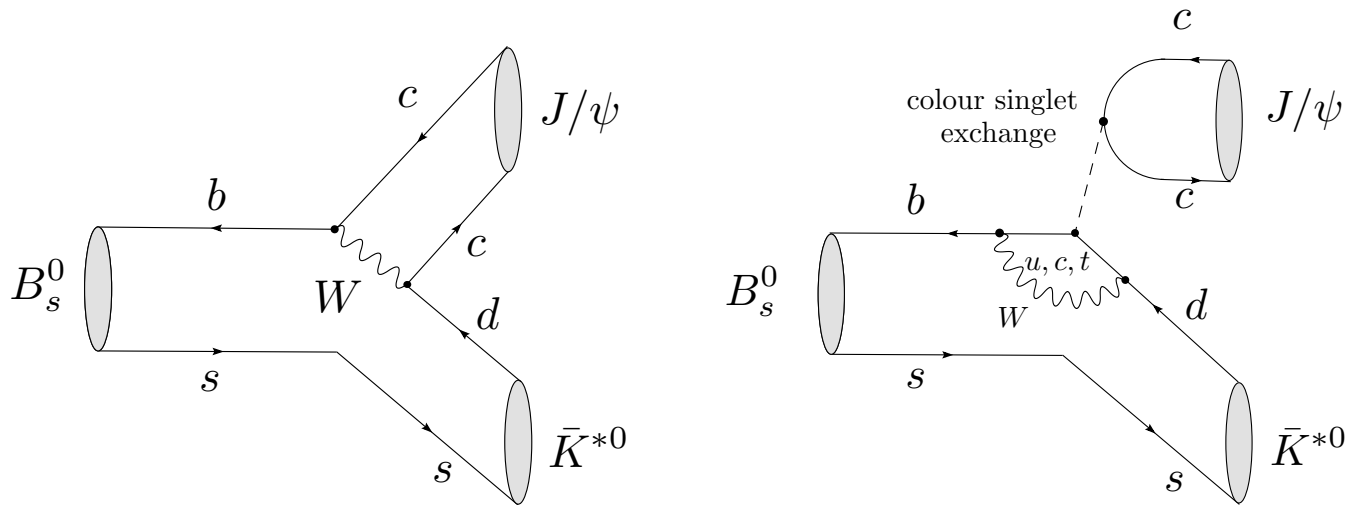


- Dependence of \hat{A}_D^f on a_f for different θ_f :



Control Channel: $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \bar{K}^{*0}$

- Decay topologies:



- Very similar to the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$ mode, but different CKM structure: $b \rightarrow d$ instead of $b \rightarrow s$ transition.
- Have to neglect PA and E topologies (which can be probed through $B_d^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$) when relating both modes through $SU(3)$.

- Decay amplitude: $A(B_s^0 \rightarrow (J/\psi \bar{K}^{*0})_f) = \lambda \mathcal{A}'_f \left[1 - a'_f e^{i\theta'_f} e^{i\gamma} \right]$

- Penguin term is not suppressed by λ^2 .
- Using the working assumption as specified above:

$$\Rightarrow |\mathcal{A}_f| = |\mathcal{A}'_f| \quad \text{and} \quad a_f = a'_f, \quad \theta_f = \theta'_f.$$

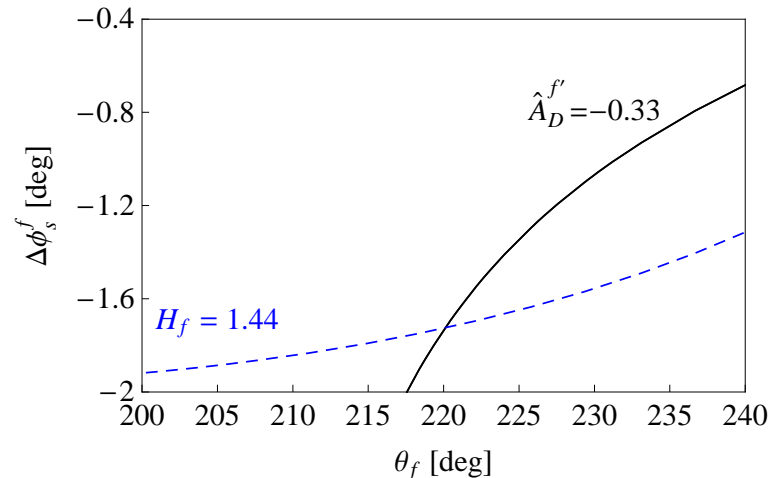
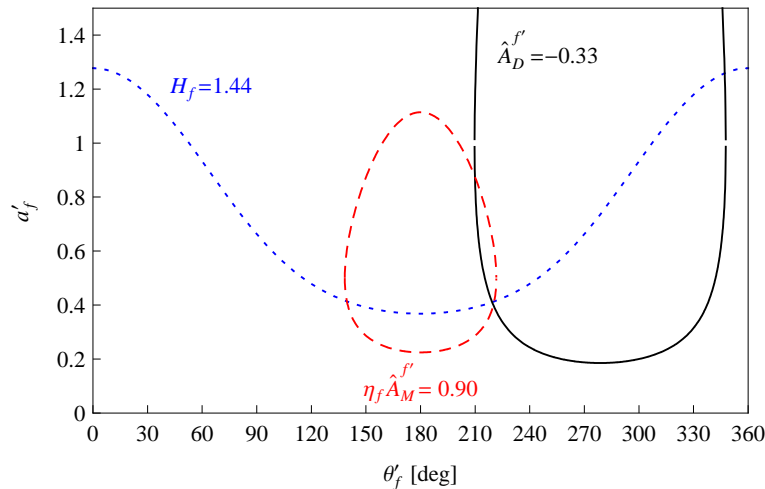
- Control of the effects through $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi[\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-]\bar{K}^{*0}[\rightarrow \pi^+K^-]$:

- Ratio of the CP-averaged “untagged” rates $\Gamma[f, t = 0]'$ and $\Gamma[f, t = 0]$ of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\bar{K}^{*0}$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$ modes, respectively:

$$H_f \equiv \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left| \frac{\mathcal{A}_f}{\mathcal{A}'_f} \right|^2 \frac{\Gamma[f, t = 0]'}{\Gamma[f, t = 0]} = \frac{1 - 2a'_f \cos \theta'_f \cos \gamma + a'^2_f}{1 + 2\epsilon a_f \cos \theta_f \cos \gamma + \epsilon^2 a^2_f}$$

- Measure the direct CP asymmetries $\hat{A}_D^{f'}$, the counterparts of the $\hat{A}_D^{f'}$.
- No mixing-induced CP violation as flavour-specific final state :-()

- Numerical Illustration: $\gamma = 65^\circ$, $a'_f = 0.4$, $\theta'_f = 220^\circ$ (consistent with $a' \in [0.15, 0.67]$ and $\theta' \in [174^\circ, 213^\circ]$ following from a $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^0$ analysis).



[Detailed discussion, $SU(3)$ breaking, etc.: S. Faller, R.F. & T. Mannel (2008)]

Comments & Observations

- $\Delta\phi_s^f$ is favoured to have negative sign:

\Rightarrow interferes *constructively* with $\phi_s^{\text{SM}} = -(2.12 \pm 0.11)^\circ$

- Consequently, the phase shift $\Delta\phi_s^f = -1.7^\circ$ of our example yields

$$\eta_f \hat{A}_M^f = -6.7\% \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sim 2 \times \text{naïve SM value!}$$

- Without the analysis described above: *misinterpretation* as 4σ NP effect with 2 fb^{-1} @ LHCb, and about 20σ at upgrade with 100 fb^{-1} .
- Cannot exclude that the hadronic penguin effects are actually more significant than in our example, could lead to $\eta_f \hat{A}_M^f \sim -10\%$...

- Two scenarios:

- *Optimistic*: $\eta_f \hat{A}_M^f \sim -40\%$ would be an unambiguous signal of NP!
- *Pessimistic*: $\eta_f \hat{A}_M^f \sim -(5...10)\%$ would require more work from TH and EXP to settle the picture...

Much more

Physics

@ LHCb:

Precision Measurements of γ

- Tree strategies, with expected sensitivities after 1 year of taking data:

- $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm: \sigma_\gamma \sim 14^\circ$

- $B_d^0 \rightarrow D^0 K^*: \sigma_\gamma \sim 8^\circ$... to be compared with the

- $B^\pm \rightarrow D^0 K^\pm: \sigma_\gamma \sim 5^\circ$

- ...

current B -factory data: $\gamma|_{D^{(*)}K^{(*)}} = \begin{cases} (73_{-25}^{+22})^\circ & \text{[CKMfitter]} \\ (78 \pm 12)^\circ & \text{[UTfit]} \end{cases}$

- Decays with penguin contributions:

- $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ and $B_d^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-: \sigma_\gamma \sim 5^\circ$

- $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ D_s^-$ and $B_d^0 \rightarrow D_d^+ D_d^-$

- ...

- Practical challenge:

- We encounter typically discrete ambiguities for γ : \rightarrow have to be resolved for the search of NP! [Further info helps, U -spin decays ...]

\Rightarrow Will we encounter discrepancies?

[\rightarrow talk by Vincenzo Vagnoni]

Analyses of Rare B Decays

- Non-leptonic: $B_d^0 \rightarrow \phi K_S, B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi\phi, \dots$
 - Hadronic sector: fix corrections through flavour symmetries.
 - Analyses of CP-violating observables, using also BRs as input.
 - New effects would immediately rule out MFV!
- Semileptonic: $B_d^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-, B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \mu^-, \dots$
 - Hadronic sector: quark-current form factors (QCD sum rules, lattice).
 - Search for observables that are particularly robust with respect to the corresponding uncertainties:
 - * Example: 0-crossing of the forward–backward asymmetry.
- Leptonic: $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-, B_d^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
 - See discussion given above...

⇒ Will we encounter discrepancies?

[→ talks by U. Egede & G. Buchalla]

Other Interesting Topics

- Charm physics: $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-, \dots$
 - While FCNCs in the B system are sensitive to new effects in the up sector, charm physics probes the down sector (b, s, d in SM loops)!
 - $D^0-\bar{D}^0$ mixing seen in the ball park of the SM, but NP could be hiding there: cannot be resolved because of long-distance QCD effects.
 - Interesting NP probe: search for CP-violating effects, which are tiny in the SM but could be enhanced through NP!
- Search for lepton flavour violation: $B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp, B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow \mu^\pm \tau^\mp$
 - In the SM such processes are forbidden!
 - However, they may arise in NP scenarios, such as SUSY.
 - Studies complement other searches of this phenomenon such as by means of $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma, \tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma, \tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu, \dots$

Will we eventually see signals?

Concluding Remarks

Moving towards New Frontiers ...

- The last decade has seen many interesting B -physics results: \Rightarrow
 - CKM matrix is the dominant source of flavour and CP violation.
 - Potential signals for new phenomena, though not yet established ...
- Flavour takes part in the BIG adventure of this decade: \rightarrow LHC
 - Specific NP scenarios still leave room for sizeable effects!
 - Promising channels to find *first* NP signals @ LHCb (and the LHC):
 - * $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
 - * $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$
- Theoretical topics: [\leftrightarrow strong interaction with LHCb community]
 - Further critically review SM phenomena, develop strategies to control hadronic uncertainties (preferably through data),
 - Explore the patterns in specific NP scenarios:
 - \Rightarrow correlations \Rightarrow what kind of NP?
 - Bring new channels to the attention of LHCb.
 - Search for synergies, also with high- Q^2 physics @ ATLAS & CMS.