

■ Quark Flavour Physics : Theory Aspects

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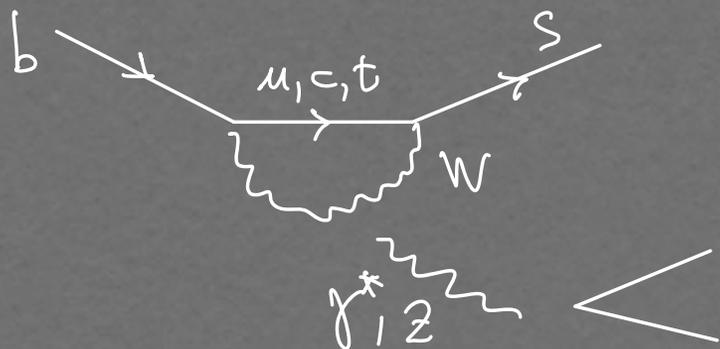
L2:

- $b \rightarrow s$ transitions : basics
- The $b \rightarrow s$ ll effective Hamiltonian
- From \mathcal{H}_{eff} to the amplitude
- Renormalization-scale (in)dependence
- "Matching & running"
- $b \rightarrow s$ phenomenology
 - errors on Wilson coefficients
 - form factors
 - $B \rightarrow K$ ll matrix-element structure ($\rightarrow R_K$)

■ $b \rightarrow s$ transitions : basics

- Why interesting

$b \rightarrow s$ transitions occur through diagrams of which the dominant one is often the "penguin":



① loop suppression

Integrals w/ 3-4 propagators

$$\hookrightarrow \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{(k^2 - m^2)^n} = \frac{(\dots)}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} (\dots) \left(\frac{1}{m^2}\right)^{n-d/2}$$

$$O\left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2}\right)$$

② GIM suppression

$$A \propto \sum_{i=1}^3 V_{ui}b V_{ui}s^* f(m_{ui}^2, m_W^2)$$

$$m_{ui} = \{m_u, m_c, m_t\}$$

Now suppose $m_{ui} = m$

$$\Rightarrow A \propto f(m^2, m_W^2) \sum_{i=1}^3 V_{ui}b V_{ui}s^* = 0$$

i.e. $A \rightarrow 0$ if m_i degenerate (in particular if $m_i = 0$)

$$\rightarrow A \propto \sum_i V_{ui}b V_{ui}s^* m_i^2 =$$

$$V_{tb} V_{ts}^* (m_t^2 - m_u^2) + V_{cb} V_{cs}^* (m_c^2 - m_u^2)$$

i.e. $A \propto \frac{\text{differences of (quark mass)}^2}{m_W^2} \leftarrow \text{"GIM suppression"}$

But: amplitudes (in NP-sensitive regions) usually top-dominated

③ CKM suppression: $A \propto$ off-diag terms of the CKM

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0.97 & 0.23 & 1.3 \cdot 10^{-3} - i 3 \cdot 10^{-3} \\ -0.23 & 0.97 & 0.04 \\ 8 \cdot 10^{-3} - i 3 \cdot 10^{-3} & -0.04 & 0.9991 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\approx \begin{pmatrix} 1 & O(\lambda) & O(\lambda^3) \\ O(\lambda) & 1 & O(\lambda^2) \\ O(\lambda^3) & O(\lambda^2) & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

with $\lambda =$ "Cabibbo angle" ≈ 0.226

- hierarchical structure
- smaller entries the further one goes from the diagonal

→ $|V_{tb} V_{ts}| \approx 0.04$

$$\times \frac{m_t^2}{m_W^2} \approx 4$$

typical CKM suppression in $b \rightarrow s$

$$|V_{cb} V_{cs}| \approx 0.04$$

$$\times \frac{m_c^2}{m_W^2} \approx 1.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

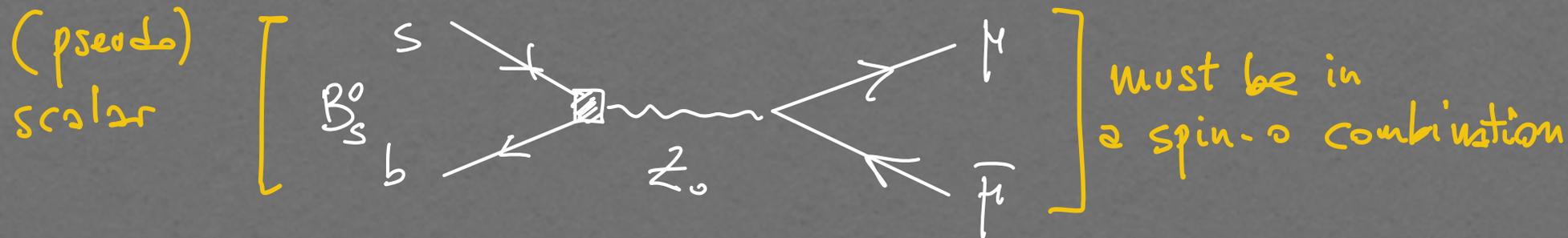
• typically subdominant in NP-sensitive regions

$$|V_{ub} V_{us}| \approx 8 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$\times \frac{m_u^2}{m_W^2} \approx 6.2 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

④ In some cases: chiral suppression

Example: $B_s \rightarrow \tau\tau$



↳ • longitudinal component of $Z_0 \Rightarrow$ Higgs interaction

$$\Rightarrow A \propto y_\mu \bar{\tau}_L \tau_R$$

• Since $\tau_L \in \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\tau \\ \tau \end{pmatrix}_L = SU(2)_L$ doublet, whereas $\tau_R =$ singlet

$$\Rightarrow A \propto \bar{\nu}$$

$$\Rightarrow A \propto y_\mu \cdot \bar{\nu} = m_\tau \Rightarrow BR \propto \frac{m_\tau^2}{m_B^2}$$

with $m_\tau \sim 0.17 \text{ GeV}$ & $m_B \sim 5 \text{ GeV}$
 this is $\approx 4 \times 10^{-4}$ suppression!

The $b \rightarrow s ll$ effective Hamiltonian

We already saw that internal propagators with a W or a top can be shrunk to a point

with an error of $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{p^2}{m_{W,t}^2}\right)$ \leftarrow external-particles' scale $\lesssim m_B^2 \approx (5 \text{ GeV})^2$

$$\text{Diagram} \approx \text{Diagram} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{p^2}{m_W^2}\right)$$

this "effective amplitude" can be obtained with an "effective Hamiltonian"

Generalization of Fermi theory \rightarrow

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_i C_i (\bar{\psi}_1 \Gamma_A^{(i)} \psi_2) (\bar{\psi}_3 \Gamma_B^{(i)} \psi_4)$$

Similarly, the "renormalizable-theory amplitude"

$$A =$$

The diagrams represent the following terms in the amplitude A :

- Tree-level exchange of a gluon between the b and s quarks, with a vertex correction on the l lines.
- Tree-level exchange of a gluon between the b and s quarks, with a quark loop correction on the l lines.
- Tree-level exchange of a gluon between the b and s quarks, with a box diagram correction involving two gluons.
- Higher-order terms indicated by ellipses.

can be "matched" to an effective amplitude obtained from an Hamiltonian of the form

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{4 G_F}{12} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \sum_i C_i(\mu) \mathcal{O}_i$$

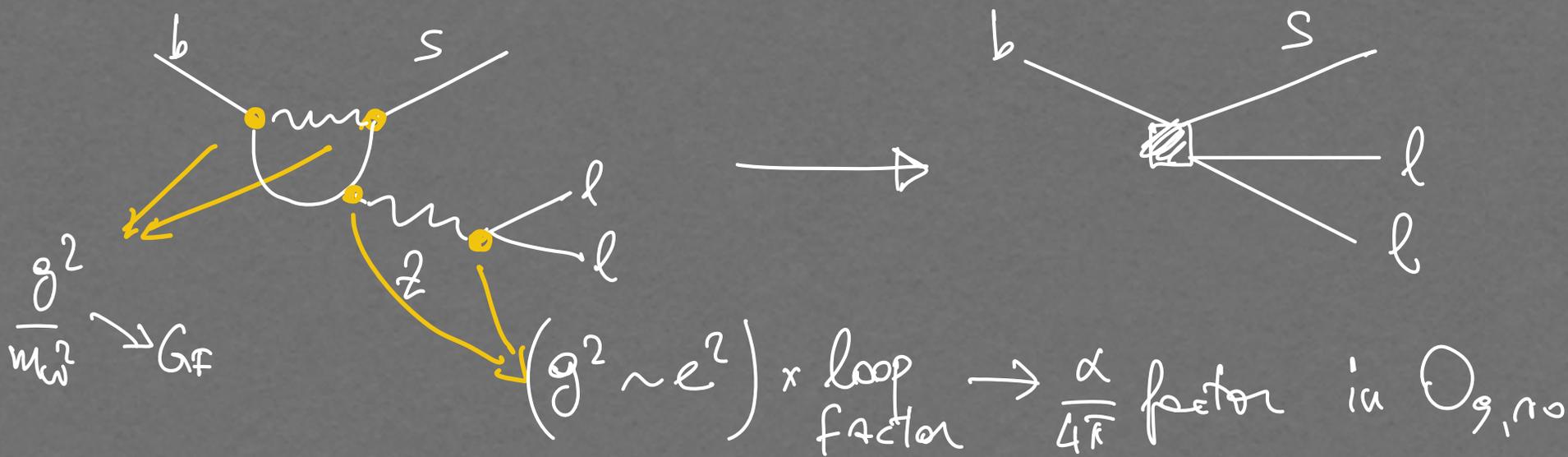
where some of the \mathcal{O}_i most relevant to us include:

- $$\mathcal{O}_{9, no} \equiv \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} (\bar{s} \gamma_L^\mu b) (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu l)$$

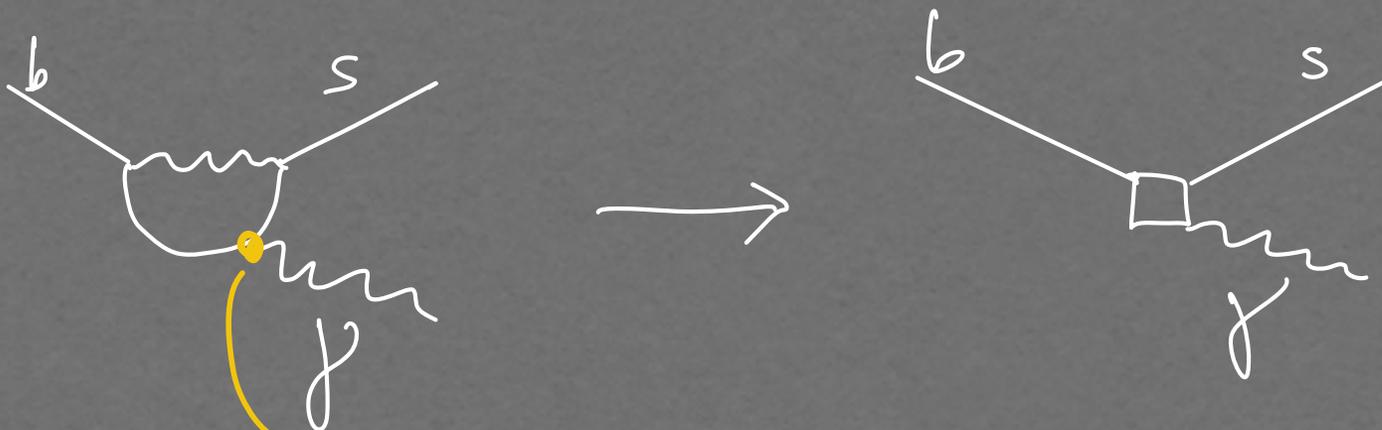
no γ_L^μ γ_μ

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basically, "shrink the Z-penguin to a point"



- $$\mathcal{O}_7 \equiv \frac{e}{16\pi^2} m_b (\bar{s} \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_R b) F^{\mu\nu}$$



$(g \sim e) \times \text{loop factor} \rightarrow \frac{e}{16\pi^2} \text{ factor in } \mathcal{O}_7$

• Note: $\partial\bar{\psi}$ has $\sigma_{\mu\nu} \propto [\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu] \leftarrow$ 2 gamma matrices

$$\Rightarrow \bar{\psi}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} b_R \quad \text{or} \quad \bar{\psi}_R \sigma^{\mu\nu} b_L$$

- But the "building-block" weak interaction

has one gamma matrix : $\bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu q_L'$

- So one needs to "flip the chirality" of either s or b

\hookrightarrow the "building-block" "interaction" for this

are mass terms : $m_s \bar{\psi}_L s_R$ or $m_b \bar{b}_L b_R$

$\hookrightarrow \partial\bar{\psi} : \bar{\psi}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_R b \propto m_b$

• From \mathcal{H}_{eff} to the amplitude

$$i\mathcal{M}(\bar{B} \rightarrow \bar{K} \ell \ell) = i \langle \bar{K} \ell \ell | \underbrace{\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}}_{= -\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}} | \bar{B} \rangle$$

$$\text{w/ } \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{4 G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} (C_7 \mathcal{O}_7 + C_9 \mathcal{O}_9 + C_{10} \mathcal{O}_{10} + \dots)$$

• One obtains: $\mathcal{M}(\bar{B} \rightarrow \bar{K} \ell \ell) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{\pi} V_{ts}^* V_{tb}$

$$\cdot \left\{ C_9(\mu) \cdot \langle \bar{K} | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu b | \bar{B} \rangle \bar{u}_\ell \gamma_\mu \not{v}_\ell \right.$$

$$+ C_{10}(\mu) \cdot \langle \bar{K} | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu b | \bar{B} \rangle \bar{u}_\ell \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \not{v}_\ell$$

$$\left. - \frac{2i m_b}{q^2} C_7(\mu) \cdot \langle \bar{K} | \bar{s} \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu b | \bar{B} \rangle \bar{u}_\ell \gamma_\mu \not{v}_\ell \right\}$$

\uparrow
fermion fields
 \nearrow
spinors

- Let us sketch the calculation of the C_7 piece.

$$C_7 = \frac{e m_b}{16\pi^2} \bar{S} \sigma^{\mu\nu} b_R \cdot F_{\mu\nu}$$

$$= \frac{e m_b}{16\pi^2} \bar{S} \sigma^{\mu\nu} b_R \underbrace{(-2 \partial_\nu A_\mu)}_{-2i e_f^* q_\nu}$$

$\frac{-i q \mu e}{q^2 + i\epsilon} = \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{+i e \gamma^\mu}$ → outgoing momentum q

$$\mathcal{M}|_{C_7} = + \frac{4 G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} C_7 \cdot \frac{e m_b}{16\pi^2} \langle \bar{K} | \bar{S} \sigma^{\mu\nu} b_R | B \rangle$$

$$\cdot \frac{(-2i q_\nu)(-i q_\mu e)}{q^2 + i\epsilon} \cdot (+i e \bar{u}_e \gamma^\mu v_e)$$

$$= \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \cdot C_7 \cdot \left(-\frac{2i m_b}{q^2} \right) \cdot \langle \bar{K} | \bar{s} \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu b_R | \bar{B} \rangle \cdot \bar{u}_e \gamma_\mu \nu_e$$

- Quick comparison w/ C_9, C_{10} contributions

$$\mathcal{M}_{C_9, C_{10}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{\pi} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \cdot \left. \begin{aligned} & \cdot [C_9(q) \cdot \langle \bar{K} | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu b | \bar{B} \rangle \bar{u}_e \gamma_\mu \nu_e \\ & + C_{10}(q) \cdot \langle \bar{K} | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 b | \bar{B} \rangle \bar{u}_e \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \nu_e] \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$C_9 \simeq 4.3 ; C_{10} \simeq -4.3 ; C_7 \simeq -0.3 \leftarrow$$

numerically smaller, but
contrib. is enhanced for small q^2



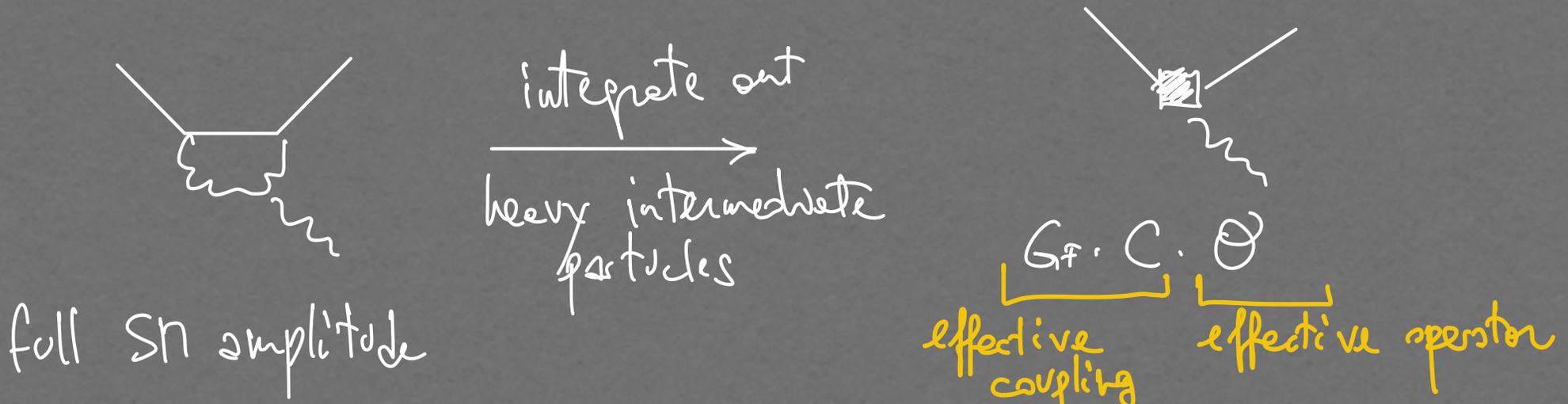
Which (combination of) effective interactions one given observable probes depends on the kinematic region considered

• Renormalization - scale (μ) dependence

- The C_i are functions of μ : renormalization scale
- And so are $\langle \text{final states} | \mathcal{O}_i | \text{initial states} \rangle$.

$$= \langle \quad \rangle(\mu)$$

- Why $C_i = C_i(\mu)$
they are obtained through



— Since the loops to the left diverge, one needs to
renormalize the amplitude

↳ stipulate its physical value at a given scale

↳ renormalization introduces dependence on
an arbitrary scale

— We're familiar with SM "scale-dependent" couplings

i.e. we know that $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.12$

whereas $\alpha_s(\leq 1 \text{ GeV}) \gtrsim O(1)$.

The C_i are also couplings, so $C_i = C_i(\mu)$

• But also $\langle \mathcal{O}_i \rangle = \langle \mathcal{O}_i \rangle(\mu)$

– These $\langle \rangle$ are calculated with non-perturbative methods, e.g. a space-time lattice (LQCD)

– The lattice spacing works as an UV-regulator

– As the lattice spacing $\rightarrow 0$, one should reobtain continuum QCD

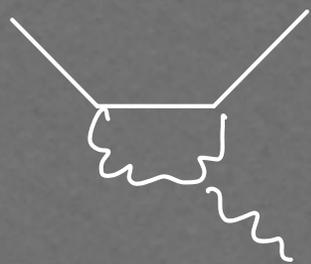
\Rightarrow LQCD requires renormalization as well

• $C_i(\mu) \langle \mathcal{O}_i \rangle(\mu) = \mu$ -independent
(at any order in perturbation theory)

• Recap of steps for calculating an observable:

"matching & running"

① Calculate $C_i(\mu_h)$ by identifying (= "matching")



A Feynman diagram representing a tree-level vertex with a loop correction. The diagram shows two external lines meeting at a vertex, with a loop structure below it. The loop is represented by a wavy line (likely a Higgs boson) and a solid line (likely a fermion). The diagram is followed by a plus sign and an ellipsis, indicating a sum of diagrams.

$$+ \dots = C_i(\mu_h) \mathcal{O}_i$$

✓ $A_{\text{full}} = \text{sum of diagrams in the "full" theory: SM or beyond}$



• Fixes $C_i(\mu_h)$

• The heavy scales in the logs will appear in logs:

$$C_i(\mu_h) \propto \left(\text{full-theory couplings} \right) \times \text{logs} \left(\frac{m_W, m_t, \dots}{\mu_h} \right)$$

• What's the "natural" value for μ_h ?

Any value that does NOT give rise to large logs

$\Rightarrow \mu_h \sim \mathcal{O}(m_W)$ (= "matching scale")

② Calculate $\langle \text{final states} | \mathcal{O}_i | \text{initial states} \rangle(\mu_s)$
using non-perturbative methods

• What's the "natural" value for μ_s ?

It depends on the process : $\mu_s \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{mass of external states})$

$\mu_h \approx 100 \text{ GeV}$ whereas $\mu_s \approx 5 \text{ GeV}$
How to connect the two?

③ RGE - evolve the C_i from μ_h to μ_s
 "Renormalization-group equations"

• RGE equations for C_i = eqs. dictating the $\log \mu$ dependence of the C_i

$$\frac{d}{d \log \mu} \vec{C} = -\hat{\gamma} \vec{C}$$

$$\uparrow \begin{pmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

\uparrow "anomalous dimension matrix":

would be zero if the C_i were scale-indep

• Procedure is entirely analogous to e.g. running of $\alpha_s = \frac{g^2}{4\pi}$

$$dg_s / d \log \mu = \beta(g_s) \leftarrow \text{"}\beta\text{-function of QCD"}$$

■ $b \rightarrow s$ phenomenology

- We can now apply all previous concepts to $\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{b \rightarrow s \ell \ell}$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{b \rightarrow s \ell \ell} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \sum_{i=7,9,10,\dots} C_i(\mu) \mathcal{O}_i$$

$$\mathcal{O}_7 = \frac{e}{16\pi^2} m_b \bar{s} \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_R b F^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_9 = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \bar{s} \gamma_{\mu}^L b \bar{\ell} \gamma_{\mu} \ell$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{10} = \quad \quad \quad \bar{\ell} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 \ell$$

- We can be more precise on the $C_i(\mu)$ definition.

- $C_i(\mu = \mu_h \sim m_W)$: "matching"

$$C_7(m_W) = -0.19 \quad ; \quad C_9(m_W) \simeq +2 \quad ; \quad C_{10}(m_W) \simeq -4.1$$

- $C_i(\mu = \mu_s \sim m_b)$: "running"

$$C_7(m_b) = -0.33 \quad (73\% \text{ effect})$$

$$C_9(m_b) \equiv +4 \quad (100\% \text{ effect})$$

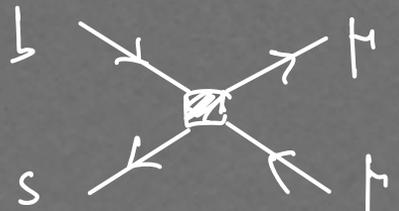
overlooking this effect,
a BR would be off
by a factor 4!

- Why such large effects?

- While RGE-running, C_7 & C_9 get contributions from other, 4-quark operators

- These operators are generated at tree level:  \rightarrow 
 so they have large couplings \leftarrow

- Example

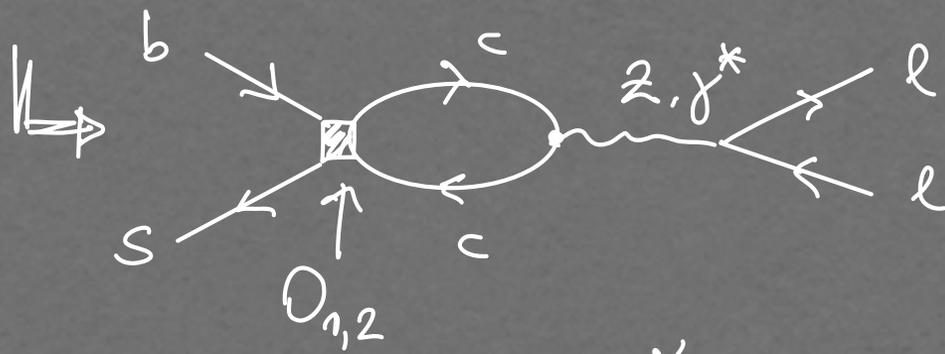
- Start from \mathcal{D}_9 :  $(\bar{s} \gamma_{\mu}^{\dagger} b)(\bar{t} \gamma_{\mu} t)$

- Then consider the operators

$$\mathcal{D}_1 = (\bar{s} \gamma_{\mu}^{\dagger} b)(\bar{c} \gamma_{\mu} c)$$

$$\mathcal{D}_2 = (\bar{s} \gamma_{\mu}^{\dagger} c)(\bar{c} \gamma_{\mu} b)$$

$$C_2(m_W) = -1!$$



contribution to \mathcal{O}_9

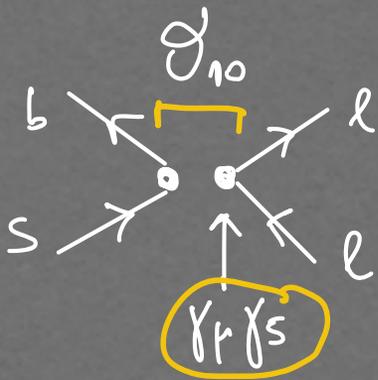


contribution to \mathcal{O}_7

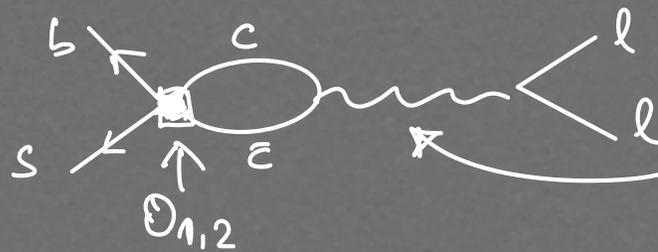
- Such contributions effectively included through RGE - running

The actual "minimal" basis of \mathcal{O}_i for precision calculations includes $\mathcal{O}_{7,9,10,11,2}$ (Grinstein - Savage - Wise, NPB 1983)

• What about \mathcal{O}_{10} ? It does not mix w/ $\mathcal{O}_{1,2}$



At dim 6, this structure cannot be obtained from



- either vector current $\Rightarrow \gamma_\mu$, not $\gamma_\mu \gamma_5$
- or Z propagation \rightarrow dim 8

Recap about $C_{7,9,10}$ matching & running

matching	$C_7(m_W) \cong -0.19$	$\xrightarrow{\text{RGEs}}$	$C_7(m_b) \cong -0.33$	Note: $C_9 \cong -C_{10}$ at m_b
	$C_9(m_W) \cong +2$		$C_9(m_b) \cong +4.3$	
	$C_{10}(m_W) = -4.3$		$C_{10}(m_b) \cong -4.3$	

Remember:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_9 &\propto (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu^L b) (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu^L l) \\ \mathcal{O}_{10} &\propto (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu^L b) (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu^R l) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} C_9 &\cong -C_{10} \text{ (at } m_b) \\ &\text{implies approximate} \\ &\text{(V-A) } \times \text{ (V-A) structure} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

• Why interesting.

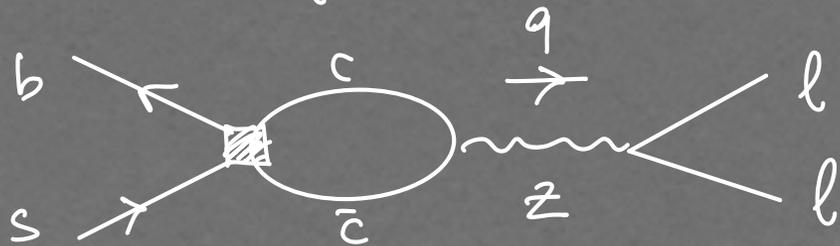
- New-physics contributions arise at $\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \gg m_W$ (= EW scale)
- At Λ_{NP} , EW symmetry restored
- I.e. effective operators written with $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ - symmetric SM matter multiplets
- E.g. $\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu Q_L \bar{L}_L \gamma_\mu L_L \rightarrow \text{(V-A)} \times \text{(V-A) structure}$

Errors on Wilson coefficients

- In "non-resonant" kinematic regions, it's the perturbation theory error, $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$

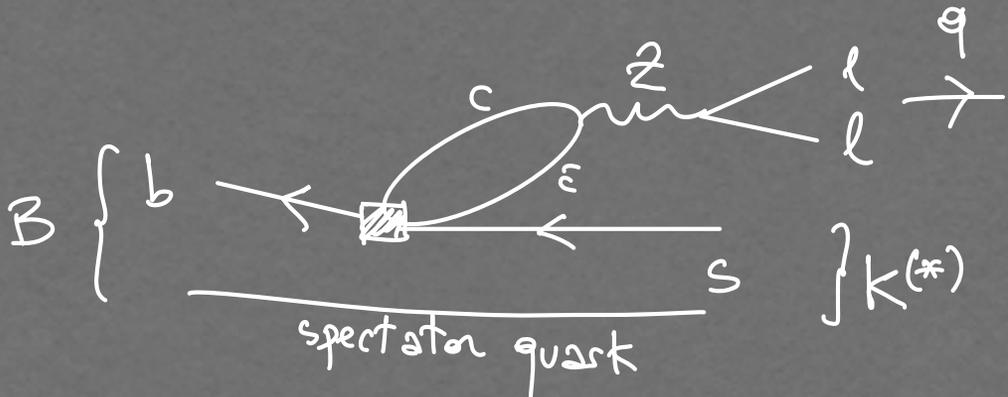
↓ ?

Take again



- for $B_s \rightarrow ll$, the ll momentum q is fixed: $q^2 = m_{B_s}^2$
- for $B \rightarrow K ll$ it is not

- $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} ll$ case:

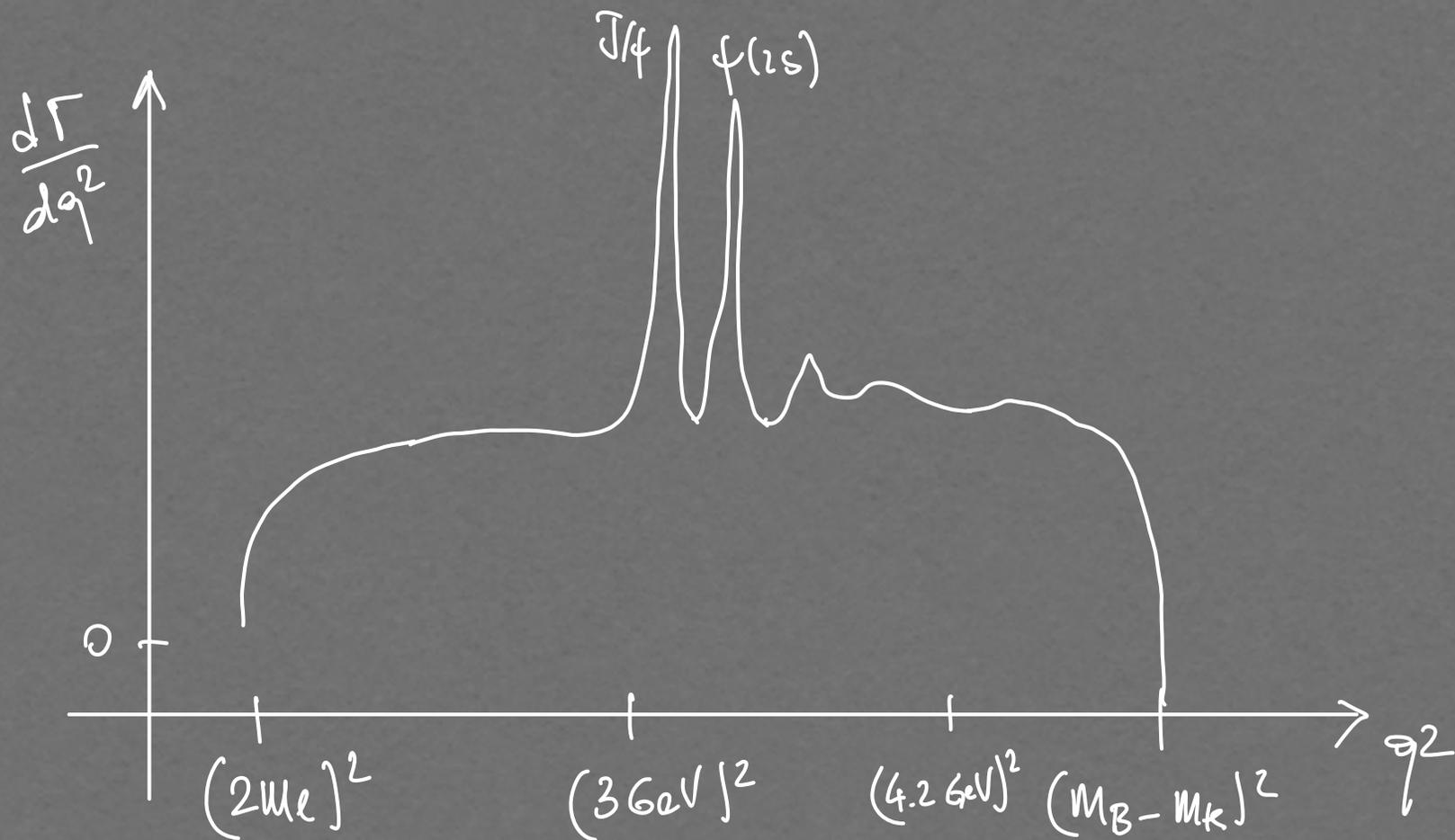


$$q^2 \in [(2m_l)^2, (m_B - m_{K^{(*)}})^2]$$

↓

$$\gtrsim (4.4 \text{ GeV})^2$$

The q^2 range includes regions where intermediate resonances can be produced: $m_{J/\psi} \simeq 3.1 \text{ GeV}$; $m_{\psi(2S)} \simeq 3.7 \text{ GeV}$; etc.



well-predicted region

narrow $c\bar{c}$ broad $c\bar{c}$
 region under poorer theoretical control

depending on the observable well-predicted region

Form factors

- Our amplitudes = $\langle \text{final states} | - \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} | \text{initial states} \rangle$
//
 $-\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \sum_i C_i(\mu) \mathcal{O}_i$

↳ We still need to calculate $\langle \text{fin} | \mathcal{O}_i | \text{in} \rangle \equiv \langle \mathcal{O}_i \rangle$

- Remember the structure we found for $\mathcal{O}_{7,9,10}$

$$\mathcal{O}_7 \propto (\bar{s} \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_{Rb}) (\bar{l} \gamma^\mu l)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_9 \propto (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu P_{Lb}) (\bar{l} \gamma^\mu l)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{10} \propto (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu P_{Lb}) (\bar{l} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 l)$$

$$\sim J_i^{(q)} \times J_i^{(l)}$$

↳ The difficult part of the calculation is
 $\langle \text{fin} | J_i^{(q)} | \text{in} \rangle$

• Vector matrix elements (example of $B(p_B) \rightarrow k(p_k) \ell \bar{\ell}(q)$)

$$\langle k(p_k) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu b | B(p_B) \rangle = f_+(q^2) (p_B + p_k)_\mu + f_-(q^2) (p_B - p_k)_\mu$$

"form factors": functions of the kinematic invariants of the problem

$$(p_B + p_k)^2 = m_B^2 + m_k^2 + 2 p_B \cdot p_k$$

$$q^2 = (p_B - p_k)^2 = \quad \quad \quad -2 p_B \cdot p_k$$



So we can choose m_B^2, m_k^2, q^2

$$\langle k(p_k) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 b | B(p_B) \rangle = 0 \quad \text{by parity}$$

• Tensor matrix elements

$$\langle k(p_k) | \bar{s} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu (1 + \gamma_5) b | B(p_B) \rangle = i \left\{ (p_B + p_k)_\mu q^2 - (m_B^2 - m_k^2) q_\mu \right\} \cdot f_T(q^2) / (m_B + m_k)$$

γ_5 piece gives 0

• FFs & Lattice-QCD (LQCD)

- For suitable q^2 values, these FFs can be estimated non-perturbatively using QCD in discretized space-time

- LQCD "prefers" large q^2

In fact, external states are isolated through exponentials:

$$e^{-M_B k t}$$

→ The natural $q^2 = (p_B - p_K)^2 = (m_B - m_K)^2 = q_{\max}^2$

- To calculate FFs at $q^2 < q_{\max}^2$, need Fourier transform
↓
(noisy) sum over lattice sites

- $B \rightarrow K \ell \ell$: matrix-element structure [understanding why $R_K \simeq 1$]

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{M}(B \rightarrow K \ell \ell) &= \langle \ell^+(p_1) \bar{\ell}(p_2) K(p_K) | - \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{b \rightarrow s \ell \ell} | B(p_B) \rangle \\
 &= + \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{\pi} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \left\{ C_9 \left[\langle K | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu P_L b | B \rangle \bar{u}_\ell(p_2) \gamma_\mu u_\ell(p_1) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad + C_{10} \left[\langle K | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 P_L b | B \rangle \bar{u}_\ell(p_2) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 u_\ell(p_1) \right] \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{2i m_b}{q^2} C_7 \left[\langle K | \bar{s} \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu P_L b | B \rangle \bar{u}_\ell(p_2) \gamma_\mu u_\ell(p_1) \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

• Note: this is of the form

$$\mathcal{M} = \# \left\{ \underbrace{T_{\Gamma}^{(1)}}_{\propto C_9 \text{ or } C_7} \bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu \ell + \underbrace{T_{\Gamma}^{(2)}}_{\propto C_{10}} \bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \ell \right\}$$

• Let's look closer $p_B + p_K$

$$[]_1 = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(f_+ p_{\mu} + f_- q_{\mu})}_{p_B + p_K} \bar{u}_e(p_2) \gamma^{\mu} v_e(p_1) = \frac{f_+}{2} p_{\mu} \bar{u}_e(p_2) \gamma^{\mu} v_e(p_1)$$

$(q_{\mu} \bar{u}_e \gamma^{\mu} v_e = 0)$

$$[]_2 = \frac{1}{2} (\quad) \bar{u}_e \gamma^{\mu} \gamma_5 v_e = \frac{f_+}{2} p_{\mu} \bar{u} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma_5 v$$

$$+ f_- m_e \bar{u} \gamma_5 v$$

$$[]_3 = \frac{i}{2q^2} \left(p_{\mu} q^2 - (m_B^2 - m_K^2) q_{\mu} \right) \frac{f_T}{m_B + m_K} \bar{u} \gamma^{\mu} v$$

$$= \frac{i}{2} p_{\mu} \frac{f_T}{m_B + m_K} \bar{u} \gamma^{\mu} v$$

• So $\mathcal{M}(B \rightarrow K\ell\ell)$ simplifies considerably:

$$\mathcal{M}(B \rightarrow K\ell\ell) = + \frac{G_F}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{\pi} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \left\{ \overbrace{\left(C_9 f_+ + C_7 \frac{2m_b f_T}{m_B + m_K} \right) f_\pi \bar{u} \gamma^\mu \nu}^{V_p} + \underbrace{C_{10} \left(f_+ f_\pi \bar{u} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \nu + 2m_e \bar{u} \gamma_5 \nu \right)}_{A_p} \right\}$$

• We can now calculate the width

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2}(B \rightarrow K\ell\ell) \propto G_F^2 \frac{\alpha^2}{\pi^2} |V_{ts}^* V_{tb}|^2 \left\{ |V_p|^2 + |A_p|^2 + \left(\frac{m_e}{m_B} \right)^2 - \text{suppressed} \right\}$$

• Now let's consider R_K :

$$R_K [q_1^2, q_2^2] \equiv \frac{\int_{q_1^2}^{q_2^2} \frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} (B \rightarrow K \pi \pi) dq^2}{\left(\begin{array}{c} \parallel \\ ee \end{array} \right)}$$
$$= 1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{m_B^2}\right) \sim 10^{-4}$$

— Actual error $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$ due to QED corrections

— 3-body decay implies

$$s = (p_B - p_K)^2 = q^2; \quad t = (p_B - p_1)^2; \quad u = (p_B - p_2)^2$$

with $s + t + u = m_B^2 + m_K^2 + 2m_\pi^2 \rightarrow$ only 2 indep. invariants

\implies width is, at most, doubly differential.

■ Lepton-flavour-universality (LFU) tests

- The R_K ratio mentioned above is the best-known example of a whole suite of LFU tests today available.

$$R_K [1, 6 \text{ GeV}^2] < 1$$

$$R_{K^*} [1.1, 6 \text{ GeV}^2] < 1$$

$$R_{K^*} [0.045, 1.1 \text{ GeV}^2] < 1$$

+ many $\text{BR}(b \rightarrow s \ell \ell)$ below SM (both in mesonic & baryonic channels)
whereas " $e e$ channels are SM-like within (large) errors

+ angular data in $B \rightarrow K^* \ell \ell$ showing departures consistent w/ same picture

$$R_K [q_1^2, q_2^2] \equiv \frac{\int_{q_1^2}^{q_2^2} \frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} (B \rightarrow K \ell \ell) dq^2}{e e}$$

$$R_{D^{(*)}} \equiv \frac{\text{BR}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu)}{\text{BR}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu) \Big|_{\ell=e+\mu} \text{average}}$$

$$\hookrightarrow (R_D)_{\text{exp}} > (R_D)_{\text{SM}} \quad \& \quad (R_{D^*})_{\text{exp}} > (R_{D^*})_{\text{SM}}$$

• New effects: EFT picture

• We saw that $b \rightarrow s ll$ ampl. described by

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{4 G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i (C_i \mathcal{O}_i + \text{"primed"})$$

where, in the SM, the $\mu \sim m_b$ dynamics is dominated by

$$\mathcal{O}_7 \sim (\bar{s} \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_R b) F^{\mu\nu} \quad ; \quad \mathcal{O}_9 \sim (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu^L b) (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu^L l) \quad ; \quad \mathcal{O}_{10} \sim (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu^L b) (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu^R l)$$

• New dynamics best appreciated in the chiral basis for $\mathcal{O}_9, \mathcal{O}_{10}$:

$$\mathcal{O}_{XY} \equiv (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu^X P_X b) (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu^Y l)$$

↳ Vectorial currents can be promoted to full $SU(2)_L$ invariants
i.e. written in terms of Q_L, L_L, u_R, d_R, e_R

• The SM (accidentally) helps:

- at $\mu \sim M_b$: $C_9 \simeq +4$; $C_{10} \simeq -4$

$$\Rightarrow C_9 \mathcal{O}_9 + C_{10} \mathcal{O}_{10} \simeq C_9 (\mathcal{O}_9 - \mathcal{O}_{10})$$

$$= 2C_9 \underbrace{(\bar{s} \gamma_L^\mu b) (\bar{\ell} \gamma_{\mu L} \ell)}$$

(V-A) x (V-A) structure

We saw that this is accidental in the SM

- because $C_9(M_W) \simeq +2$ whereas $C_{10}(M_W) \simeq -4$

- & large RGE through $\mathcal{O}_1, \mathcal{O}_2$



So, $\delta C_9(\mu \sim \Lambda_{NP}) = -\delta C_{10}(\mu \sim \Lambda_{NP})$

is well-defined also at $\mu \sim M_b$

• So we can rewrite

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{4 G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \left\{ C_9 \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} (\bar{s} \gamma_L^\mu b) (\bar{l} \gamma_{\mu R} l) + C_{10} \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} (\bar{s} \gamma_L^\mu b) (\bar{l} \gamma_{\mu L} l) + \dots \right\}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{4 G_F}{\sqrt{2}}}_{2/\nu^2} \quad \underbrace{C_9 + C_{10}}_{C_+} + \underbrace{C_9 - C_{10}}_{C_-} \quad \underbrace{C_9 + C_{10}}_{\sim +8.4} - \underbrace{C_9 - C_{10}}_{\sim -0.2}$$

$$= -\underbrace{V_{tb} V_{ts}^*}_{0.04} \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \frac{2}{\nu^2} \left\{ 2 C_+ (\bar{s} \gamma_L^\mu b) (\bar{l} \gamma_{\mu R} l) + 2 C_- (\bar{s} \gamma_L^\mu b) (\bar{l} \gamma_{\mu L} l) + \dots \right\}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{2}{\nu^2}}_{\sim -0.2} \quad \underbrace{2 C_+}_{\mathcal{O}_{LR}} \quad \underbrace{2 C_-}_{\mathcal{O}_{LL}}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{(174 \text{ GeV})^2}}_{5.10^{-4}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(\sim 36 \text{ TeV})^2} \sum_{X,Y} C_{XY} \mathcal{O}_{XY} \quad \text{w/ e.g. } C_{LL} = 2 C_-$$

a similar exercise for $b \rightarrow c \ell \nu$ (relevant for $R_{D^{(*)}}$) yields much lower scale $\sim \text{TeV}$

o R_K dependence on δC_i :

$$R_K = \frac{\left(\int \frac{d\Gamma}{ds} ds \right) |_{pp}}{\left(\quad \quad \quad \right) |_{ee} (C_{\tau 0} + C'_{\tau 0}) f_-}$$

with $\frac{d\Gamma}{ds} \propto G_F^2 \alpha^2 |VV^*|^2 \underbrace{\left\{ |V_p|^2 + |A_p|^2 \right\}}_{(C_9^{\text{eff}} + C_9') f_+ + \frac{2m_b}{m_B + m_K} (C_7^{\text{eff}} + C_7')} (1 + \mathcal{O}(m_e^2/m_B^2))$

small

↳ $R_K = \frac{|C_9^{\text{SM}} + \delta C_9^{(\tau)} + \delta C_9'^{(\tau)}|^2 + |C_{\tau 0}^{\text{SM}} + \delta C_{\tau 0}^{(\tau)} + \delta C_{\tau 0}'^{(\tau)}|^2}{(\tau) \rightarrow (e)}$

$\approx 1 + \frac{\left\{ \text{Re} \left(\delta C_9^{(\tau)} + \delta C_9'^{(\tau)} - \delta C_{\tau 0}^{(\tau)} - \delta C_{\tau 0}'^{(\tau)} \right) \right\} - \mathcal{I}(\tau) \rightarrow (e)}{C_9^{\text{SM}}}$

↳ $R_K \approx 1 \iff \delta C_i / C_9^{\text{SM}}$

- Simultaneous explanations of $R_{K\alpha}$ & $R(D^{(*)})$

- Common explanation very appealing

- both are signs of LUV

- Left-handed interactions (among the) favorite in an EFT description of both

- ↳ consistent with $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ - gauge - symmetric new interactions above the EW scale

• E.g. $\mathcal{O}^{(1)} = G_1 \bar{Q}'_L \gamma^\mu Q'_L \bar{L}'_L \gamma_\mu L'_L$

$$\mathcal{O}^{(3)} = G_3 \bar{Q}'_L \gamma^\mu \sigma^a Q'_L \bar{L}'_L \gamma_\mu \sigma^a L'_L$$

(primed = to be rotated to mass eigenbasis)

Since $(\sigma^a)_{ij} (\sigma^a)_{kl} = 2 \delta_{il} \delta_{kj} - \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl}$

$$\mathcal{O}^{(3)} \propto (\bar{Q}'_L)^i \gamma^\mu (Q'_L)^j (\bar{L}'_L)^j \gamma_\mu (L'_L)^i$$

$i \neq j$: charged currents, e.g.

$$i=1, j=2 \Rightarrow (\bar{q}'_u \gamma^\mu q'_d) (\bar{e}' \gamma_\mu \nu')$$

\Rightarrow after rotation to mass eigenbasis, this will generate $b \rightarrow c \ell \nu$

Common explanation challenging

① $R_{K^*} \Rightarrow 10 \div 20\%$ effect in $b \rightarrow s$ (SM loop) amplitude

$R_{D^{*1}} \Rightarrow$ " " $b \rightarrow c$ (SM tree) amplitude



② Both R_{K^*} & $R(D^{*})$ are semi-leptonic obs.



⌞ The new dynamics must produce:

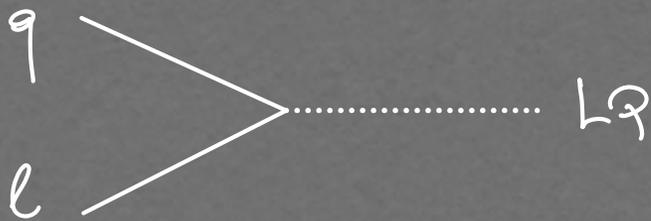
- large, $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ effects in $J^{(q)} \times J^{(l)}$ processes
- but small enough effects in $J^{(q)} \times J^{(q)}$ processes



and in $J^{(l)} \times J^{(l)}$ processes, like $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi, \dots$

• leptosquarks (LQs)

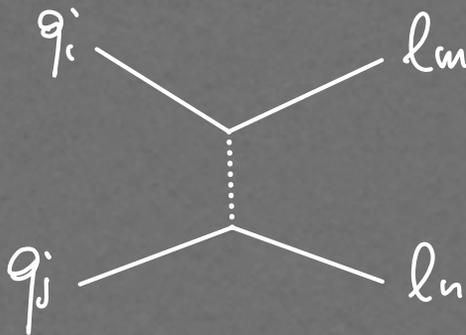
LQs are massive bosons coupled to a quark & a lepton



(... "genuine" LQs at least)

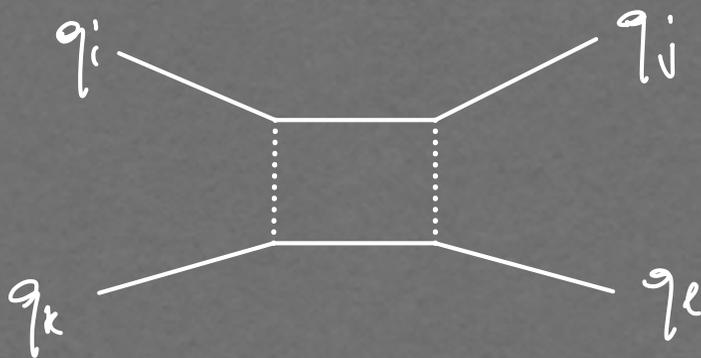
Issue n. 2:

By construction



is tree

whereas



is loop (and same for $J^{(l)} \times J^{(l)}$)

Issue n. ①: $b \rightarrow s$ ll NP $\ll b \rightarrow c$ lv NP

Take a LQ $S_1 \sim (\underline{3}, \underline{1}, \frac{1}{3})$ under $SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

Possible couplings:

Remember

	$\overline{Q}_L^c L_L S_1$	$\overline{u}_R^c e_R S_1$
	<u> </u>	
$SU(2)_L$	singlet	singlet
$U(1)_Y$	$+\frac{1}{6} \quad -\frac{1}{2} \quad +\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3} \quad -1 \quad +\frac{1}{3}$
	$= 0$	$= 0$

	$Q = Y + T_3$		
Q_L	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$
u_R	$\frac{2}{3}$		0
d_R	$-\frac{1}{3}$		0
L_L	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
	-1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$
e_R	-1		0

Other couplings?

$$\bar{l}_R^c \nu_n S_n$$

$$U(1)_Y \quad -\frac{1}{3} \quad \emptyset \quad +\frac{1}{3}$$

can be set to \emptyset
if ν_n does not
exist

$$\bar{Q}_L^c Q_L S_n^*$$

$$\frac{1}{6} \quad \frac{1}{6} \quad -\frac{1}{3}$$

"di-quark" couplings:

dangerous for proton decay



- ONLY in absence of such couplings LFs have well-defined B & L qn's

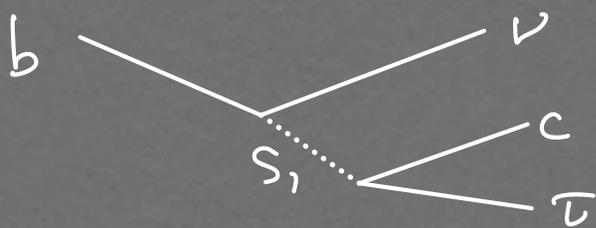
Back to "main" S_n couplings

$$\underbrace{\bar{Q}_L^c L_L S_n}_{\downarrow} \quad ; \quad \bar{u}_n^c e_n S_n$$

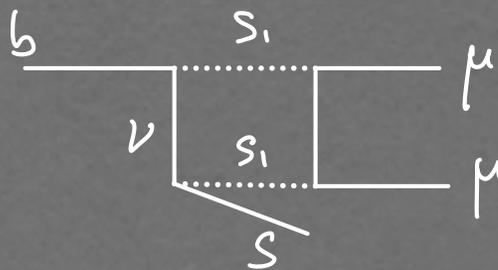
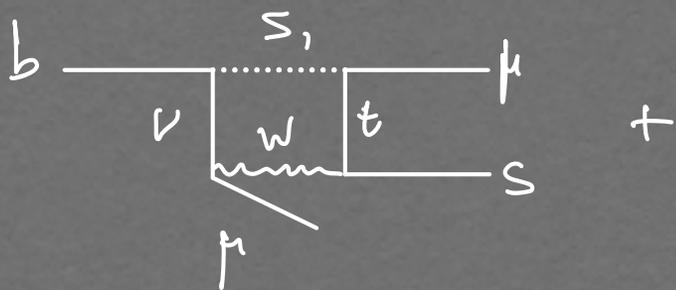
$$\bar{u}_L^c e_L S_n \quad \& \quad \bar{d}_L^c \nu_L S_n$$

up-quark - down-lepton
or
down-quark - up-lepton

↳ Generated amplitudes



$b \rightarrow c \tau \nu$ at tree level



$b \rightarrow s \pi \pi$
at loop level

+ constraints...