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# Recent searches for new physics and rare decays at LHCb

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# **Outline**

#### Introduction

- ➢ Rare decays
  - **D**FCNC
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# LHC is the forefront of high energy physics



# Two ways to search for new physics in LHC

High energy frontier
 ATLAS and CMS
 Search new particles in collision directly

#### High precision frontier

LHCb Precise measurement of FCNC processes to search for new particles.

- Search for new physics far above the accelerator collision energy
- Test new physics models, determining coupling constants and phases





# LHCb experiment

LHCb collaboration: 25 counties, 107 institutes, 1770 members



- Understand matter-antimatter imbalance (CP violation)
- Search for new physics (Rare decays)
- Explore and understand QCD (Hadron properties, exotic hadrons)

# LHCb data samples

Luminosity levelling  $L \sim 3 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ 

Run-I: 3 fb<sup>-1</sup>, Run-II: 6 fb<sup>-1</sup>



Large  $b\bar{b}$  and  $c\bar{c}$  production cross sections:  $\sigma(b\bar{b}X) \sim 0.5\% \times \sigma_{pp}^{\text{inelas}}, \ \sigma(c\bar{c}X) \sim 10\% \times \sigma_{pp}^{\text{inelas}}$ 

# **FCNC** $b \rightarrow s\gamma(l^+l^-)$ decays

- > Direct search of  $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$ [JHEP 07 (2024) 101]
- > Direct search of  $B_{(s)}^{*0} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  [arXiv:2409.17209v1]
- > Amplitude analysis of  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- \gamma$  [JHEP 06 (2024) 098]
- > Amplitude analysis of  $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- \gamma$  [JHEP 08 (2024) 093]
- ▶ Photon polarization in  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi e^+ e^-$ , low q2 [LHCb-PAPER-2024-030, prelim.]
- > Angular analysis of  $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}e^+e^-$ , central q2 [LHCb-PAPER-2024-022, prelim.]
- > Angular analysis of  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- \mu^+ \mu^-$  [arXiv:2409.12629]
- > z-Expansion fit with  $B^0 \to K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ [PRD 109 (2024) 052009, PRL 132 (2024) 131801]
- > Local & non-local amplitudes in  $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ [JHEP 09 (2024) 026]
- ► LFU in  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi l^+ l^-$  [arXiv:2410.13748]
- ► LFU in  $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- l^+ l^-$ [LHCb-PAPER-2024-046, prelim.]

# $b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$ decays

#### $> b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$ decays described by effective Hamiltonian

$$H = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i C_i O_i + \frac{K}{\Lambda_{NP}^2} O_j^{(6)}$$

New physics can affect Wilson coefficients  $C_i$  or add new operators  $O_j$ 

Sensitivity to Wilson coefficients



Wilson Coefficients: Ci

- → Perturbative, short distance physics
- → Describes heavy SM+NP effects

#### Operators: $O_i$

- → Non-perturbative, long distance physics
- → Strong interactions, difficult to calculate

7: photon penguin; 9,10: EW penguin; S,P: (pseudo-) scalar penguin

#### > Theoretically clean probes of NP

- Pure leptonic decays
- **\square** Ratio between  $e/\mu/\tau$
- Special angular observables
- Differential BF



# First direct search on $B^0_{(s)} \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$ with Run II data

- Sensitive to the Wilson coefficients C7, C9, and C10
- > SM predict: BF~ $10^{-10}$  to  $10^{-9}$  JHEP 12 (2020) 148 JHEP 11 (2017) 184



Search for  $B_{(s)}^{0} \rightarrow \gamma \mu^{+} \mu^{-}$  with Run II data



First measurement, no significant signal and upper limits on the branching ratio

 $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma) < 4.2 \times 10^{-8}, \ m(\mu^+ \mu^-) \in [2m_\mu, \ 1.70] \text{ GeV}/c^2, \overset{\text{T}}{\xrightarrow{5}} \overset{\text{10}^{\circ}}{\xrightarrow{5}} \overset{\text{IHCb}}{\xrightarrow{10^{\circ}}} \mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma) < 7.7 \times 10^{-8}, \ m(\mu^+ \mu^-) \in [1.70, \ 2.88] \text{ GeV}/c^2, \overset{\text{T}}{\xrightarrow{5}} \overset{\text{IC}^{\circ}}{\xrightarrow{5}} \overset{\text{IC}^{\circ}}{\xrightarrow{5}} \overset{\text{IC}^{\circ}}{\xrightarrow{5^{\circ}}} \overset{\text{IC}^{\circ}}{\xrightarrow{5^{\circ}}$ - LHCb direct (5.4 fb - LHCb indirect (9 fb Single pole Multipole SCET LCSR LQCD + HQET + VMD LQCD + HQET  $\mathcal{B}(B^0_s \to \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma) < 4.2 \times 10^{-8}, \ m(\mu^+ \mu^-) \in [3.92, \ m_{B^0_s}] \,\text{GeV}/c^2, \overset{\downarrow}{\uparrow}_{\mathfrak{S}_{10^{-10}}}$ 10-11 FSR C9 10 10-12 5 25 30 10 15 20

 $q^2 \left[ {
m GeV}^2/c^4 
ight]$ 

# Search for $B^{*0}_{(s)} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ in $B^+_c \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$

 $> B_{(s)}^{*0} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  are highly suppressed in

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- > Prompt  $B_{(s)}^{*0}$  have large background from pp interactions
- $\gg B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)\pi^+$  as

normalization channel



$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_{B_{(s)}^{*0}(\mu^{+}\mu^{-})\pi^{+}/J/\psi\pi^{+}} &\equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_{c}^{+} \to B_{(s)}^{*0}(\mu^{+}\mu^{-})\pi^{+})}{\mathcal{B}(B_{c}^{+} \to J/\psi\pi^{+})} \\ &= \frac{N_{B_{(s)}^{*0}\pi^{+}}}{N_{J/\psi\pi^{+}}} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_{J/\psi\pi^{+}}}{\varepsilon_{B_{(s)}^{*0}\pi^{+}}} \cdot \mathcal{B}(J/\psi \to \mu^{+}\mu^{-}) \\ &= \alpha_{B_{(s)}^{*0}\pi^{+}}^{\mathrm{SES}} \cdot N_{B_{(s)}^{*0}\pi^{+}} \,, \end{aligned}$$

Search for 
$$B^{*0}_{(s)} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$
 in  $B^+_c \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ 

First measurement, no significant signal and upper limits on the branching ratio

$$\mathcal{R}_{B^{*0}(\mu^+\mu^-)\pi^+/J/\psi\pi^+} < 3.8 \times 10^{-5} , \mathcal{R}_{B^{*0}_s(\mu^+\mu^-)\pi^+/J/\psi\pi^+} < 5.0 \times 10^{-5} ,$$



Arxiv:2409.17209v1

#### Measurement of the $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ differential branching fraction

- > Measured branching fractions and angular moments in bins of  $q^2$  and  $m_{pK}$
- $> \Lambda_b \rightarrow pK^-J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$  as normalization channel

| $d^2 \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \to p K^- \mu^+ \mu^-)$ | $N_{\Lambda^0_b \to pK^-\mu^+\mu^-}$         | $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \to J/\psi p K^-) \mathcal{B}(J/\psi \to \mu^+ \mu^-)$ |
|--|--|---|
| $dq^2 dm_{pK}^2$                                     | $\overline{N_{\Lambda^0_b \to J/\psi pK^-}}$ | $\Delta(q^2, m_{pK}^2)$   |

| $q^2$ $m_{pK}$ | [1.4359, 1.5900]                  | [1.59, 1.75]                      | [1.75, 2.20]                      | [2.20, 5.41]                      | N: 2400 12620    |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| [0.10, 0.98]   | $5.22 \pm 1.21 \pm 0.43 \pm 0.98$ | $8.22 \pm 1.69 \pm 0.38 \pm 1.54$ | $7.24 \pm 0.92 \pm 0.52 \pm 1.36$ | $0.46 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.09$ | arXIV:2409.12629 |
| [1.1, 2.0]     | $3.05 \pm 1.45 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.57$ | $6.27 \pm 1.71 \pm 0.40 \pm 1.18$ | $4.24 \pm 0.78 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.80$ | $0.16 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$ |                  |
| [2.0, 4.0]     | $4.56 \pm 0.90 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.86$ | $4.50 \pm 0.86 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.84$ | $3.44 \pm 0.47 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.64$ | $0.12\pm 0.05\pm 0.02\pm 0.02$    |                  |
| [4.0, 6.0]     | $4.72 \pm 0.76 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.89$ | $4.29 \pm 0.73 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.81$ | $3.36 \pm 0.41 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.63$ | $0.11 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.02$ |                  |
| [6.0, 8.0]     | $5.08 \pm 0.76 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.95$ | $4.65 \pm 0.79 \pm 0.34 \pm 0.87$ | $2.56 \pm 0.36 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.48$ | $0.04 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.01$ |                  |
| [11, 12.5]     | $5.32 \pm 0.86 \pm 0.20 \pm 1.00$ | $4.53 \pm 0.80 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.85$ | $1.67 \pm 0.28 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.31$ |                                   |                  |
| [15.0, 17.5]   | $0.59 \pm 0.19 \pm$               | $\pm 0.07 \pm 0.11$               |                                   |                                   |                  |

Decay rate described by 46 angular moments:

$$\frac{d\Gamma^5}{d\vec{\Phi}} = \frac{3}{8\pi} \sum_{i=0}^{46} K_i(q^2, m_{pK}^2) f(\cos\theta_\mu, \cos\theta_p, \phi)$$

#### Measurement of the $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ differential branching fraction



- > Forward-background asymmetry ( $A_{FB}$ ) of  $\mu + \mu -$  sensitive to  $C_{9,10}$
- > Large  $A_{FB}$  observed in hadron is the effect of interference of resonances with different parity
- > The pattern of measurements appears consistent with SM expectations

# Data-driven approaches for $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

- Non-local (charm loop) hadronic contributions bring in large theoretical uncertainties, and can mimic BSM effects
- Data-driven approaches are needed



### Data-driven approaches for $B^0 \to K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

- > First time employ a model of both one-particle and two-particle nonlocal amplitudes
- > Without any veto regions in  $\mu^+\mu^-$  mass JHEP 09 (2024) 026



### Data-driven approaches for $B^0 \to K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$



# LFU of $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \phi l^+ l^-$ (Run 1&2 data)

> In low- $q^2$ : 1.1~6.0 GeV<sup>2</sup>/ $c^4$  3.6 $\sigma$ standard deviations with SM

LFU can provide powerful probes of the SM





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# LFU of $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \phi l^+ l^-$ (Run 1&2 data)





 $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ 



# **Other rare decays**

- $\succ$  *B* → *D*µ<sup>+</sup>µ<sup>-</sup> [JHEP 02 (2024) 032]
- $\geq B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu^{\pm} \tau^{\mp}$ [arXiv:2405.13103]
- $\succ D^0 \rightarrow hhe^+e^-$  [LHCb-PAPER-2024-047, prelim.]
- $\succ \Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p \mu^+ \mu^-$  [PRD 110 (2024) 052007]
- $\succ \Sigma^+ \rightarrow p \mu^+ \mu^-$  [LHCb-CONF-2024-002]

# Search for $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu^{\pm} \tau^{\mp}$ with Run 1&2 data

- Forbidden or strongly suppressed in the SM
- Sensitive to new heavy particles beyond the SM
- $\succ \tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \nu_\tau$  or  $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$
- $\succ B^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S)(\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)\phi$  as normalization channel
- No significant signals are observed

 $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \to \phi \mu^+ \tau^-) < 1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ at } 90\% \text{ CL},$  $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \to \phi \mu^+ \tau^-) < 1.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ at } 95\% \text{ CL}.$ 

arXiv:2405.13103v1



# Search for $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p \mu^+ \mu^-$ with Run 2 data

- $\succ \Lambda_{c}^{+} \rightarrow p \mu^{+} \mu^{-}$  is heavily suppressed in SM  $\square$  BF~10<sup>-8</sup> with short-distance contributions  $\square$  BF~10<sup>-6</sup> with long-distance processes
- $\succ \Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p\phi(\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$  as normalization channel



|   | Region   | $\Lambda_c^+ \to p \mu^+ \mu^-$ | $\Lambda_c^+ \to p \pi^+ \pi^-$ | Combinatorial | Significance                    |
|---|----------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
|   |          | yield                           | yield                           | yield         | $\Lambda_c^+ \to p \mu^+ \mu^-$ |
| _ | signal   | $18 \pm 10$                     | $3\pm7$                         | $681 \pm 28$  | $2.0\sigma$                     |
|   | low- $m$ | $1\pm5$                         | $4 \pm 4$                       | $241 \pm 17$  | $0.3\sigma$                     |
|   | high-m   | $21\pm8$                        | $4 \pm 4$                       | $432 \pm 22$  | $2.8\sigma$                     |
|   | $\eta$   | $12 \pm 5$                      | $2.2 \pm 1.6$                   | $84 \pm 10$   | $3.0\sigma$                     |
|   | $\rho$   | $43 \pm 10$                     | $20 \pm 6$                      | $382 \pm 22$  | $5.6\sigma$                     |
|   | ω        | $81 \pm 10$                     | $4.8 \pm 2.1$                   | $101 \pm 11$  | $>7\sigma$                      |
|   | $\phi$   | $423 \pm 22$                    | $3.8 \pm 2.4$                   | $173 \pm 15$  | $> 7\sigma$                     |

 $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \to p\omega) = (9.82 \pm 1.23 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.73 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 2.79 \text{ (ext.)}) \times 10^{-4},$  $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \to p\rho) = (1.52 \pm 0.34 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.14 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.24 \text{ (ext.)}) \times 10^{-3},$  $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \to p\eta) = (1.67 \pm 0.69 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.23 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.34 \text{ (ext.)}) \times 10^{-3},$ 

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# Search for $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p \mu^+ \mu^-$ with Run 2 data



# **Prospects**

#### ➢ Upgrade (2025: 14 fb<sup>-1</sup> and Upgrade-II: 300 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

| Observable   | Current LHCb                     | LHCb 2025                      | Belle II                               | Upgrade II                     | ATLAS & CMS       |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| EW Penguins  | 2-3                              |                                |  |                                |                   |
| $R_K \ (1 < q^2 < 6  { m GeV}^2 c^4)$  | 0.1 [274]                        | 0.025                          | 0.036                                  | 0.007                          | _                 |
| $R_{K^*} \ (1 < q^2 < 6  { m GeV}^2 c^4)$  | 0.1 [275]                        | 0.031                          | 0.032                                  | 0.008                          | -                 |
| $R_{\phi},R_{pK},R_{\pi}$  |                                  | 0.08,  0.06,  0.18             | -                                      | 0.02, 0.02, 0.05               | -                 |
| CKM tests  |                                  |                                |  |                                |                   |
| $\gamma$ , with $B^0_s \to D^+_s K^-$  | $\binom{+17}{-22}^{\circ}$ [136] | 4°                             | -                                      | 1°                             | _                 |
| $\gamma$ , all modes   | $(^{+5.0}_{-5.8})^{\circ}$ [167] | 1.5°                           | $1.5^{\circ}$                          | $0.35^{\circ}$                 | -                 |
| $\sin 2\beta$ , with $B^0 \to J/\psi K_s^0$  | 0.04 606                         | 0.011                          | 0.005                                  | 0.003                          | -                 |
| $\phi_s$ , with $B_s^0 \to J/\psi\phi$   | 49 mrad [44]                     | 14 mrad                        | -                                      | 4 mrad                         | 22 mrad [607]     |
| $\phi_s$ , with $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ D_s^-$                                      | 170 mrad [49]                    | 35  mrad                       | -                                      | 9 mrad                         |                   |
| $\phi_s^{s\bar{s}s}$ , with $B_s^0 \to \phi\phi$                                     | 154 mrad [94]                    | 39 mrad                        |  | 11 mrad                        | Under study [608] |
| $a_{\rm sl}^s$   | $33 \times 10^{-4}$ [211]        | $10	imes 10^{-4}$              | -                                      | $3	imes 10^{-4}$               |                   |
| $ \overline{V}_{ub} / \overline{V}_{cb} $  | 6% [201]                         | 3%                             | 1%                                     | 1%                             | -                 |
| $B^0_s, B^0 { ightarrow} \mu^+ \mu^-$  |                                  |                                |  |                                |                   |
| $\overline{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-)}/\mathcal{B}(B^0_\circ \to \mu^+ \mu^-)$ | 90% [264]                        | 34%                            | _                                      | 10%                            | 21% 609           |
| $\tau_{R^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-}$   | 22% [264]                        | 8%                             | _                                      | 2%                             | <u> </u>          |
| $S_{\mu\mu}^{\beta}$   |                                  | -                              | -                                      | 0.2                            | -                 |
| $b \rightarrow c \ell^- \bar{\nu} LUV$ studies                                       |                                  |                                |  |                                |                   |
| $\frac{R(D^*)}{R(D^*)}$  | 0.026 [215, 217]                 | 0.0072                         | 0.005                                  | 0.002                          | _                 |
| $R(J/\psi)$  | 0.24 220                         | 0.071                          | _                                      | 0.02                           | -                 |
| Charm  |                                  |                                |  |                                |                   |
| $\overline{\Delta A_{CP}(KK-\pi\pi)}$  | $8.5 \times 10^{-4}$ [610]       | $1.7	imes10^{-4}$              | $5.4	imes10^{-4}$                      | $3.0 	imes 10^{-5}$            | _                 |
| $A_{\Gamma} (\approx x \sin \phi)$   | $2.8 \times 10^{-4}$ 240         | $4.3 	imes 10^{-5}$            | $3.5 	imes 10^{-4}$                    | $1.0 	imes 10^{-5}$            | -                 |
| $x\sin\phi$ from $D^0 \to K^+\pi^-$  | $13 \times 10^{-4}$ 228          | $3.2	imes 10^{-4}$             | $4.6 	imes 10^{-4}$                    | $8.0 	imes 10^{-5}$            | _                 |
| $x\sin\phi$ from multibody decays  |                                  | $(K3\pi) \ 4.0 \times 10^{-5}$ | $(K_{ m S}^{0}\pi\pi)~1.2	imes10^{-4}$ | $(K3\pi)$ $8.0 \times 10^{-6}$ | _                 |

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# Summary

### > There is no sign of beyond the SM source yet

- Many first searches, LFU tests, and angular analyses, esp. with electron channels
- $\square$  Data-driven approaches improve our understanding of non-local effects in  $B^0 \to K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$

### > Opportunities in future

□ Higher precision in rare decay measurements: B<sup>0</sup><sub>s/d</sub> → μ<sup>+</sup>μ<sup>-</sup>, angular distributions and LFU tests in b → sl<sup>+</sup>l<sup>-</sup> decays, ...
 □ Wider scope for exploitation: LFU tests in b → dl<sup>+</sup>l<sup>-</sup> decays, CPV in baryon decays, CPV in rare decays,...

