

Measurement of the Local and Non-Local Amplitudes in $B^\pm \rightarrow K^\pm \mu^\pm \mu^\mp$ Decays at LHCb

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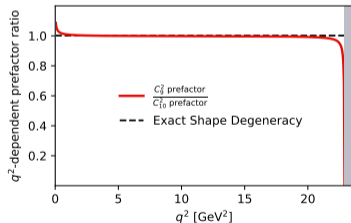
- $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu \mu$ DDR (e.g. [PRD 5 (2016)]) parameterised in $q^2 (\equiv m_{\mu\mu}^2)$:

- ▶ $C_A \equiv C_{10} + C'_{10}$ and $C_V \equiv C_9 + C'_9$:
- ▶ $\mathcal{O}_{1-6,7,8}$ absorbed into the vector operator, \mathcal{O}_V .

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} = \frac{G_F^2 \alpha^2 |V_{tb} V_{ts}^*|^2}{27\pi^5} |\mathbf{k}| \beta \left\{ \frac{2}{3} |\mathbf{k}|^2 \beta^2 |C_A f_+(q^2)|^2 + \frac{m_\mu^2 (m_B^2 - m_K^2)^2}{q^2 m_B^2} |C_A f_0(q^2)|^2 + |\mathbf{k}|^2 \left[1 - \frac{\beta^2}{3} \right] \left| C_V f_+(q^2) + 2(C_7 + C'_7) \frac{m_b + m_s}{M_B + M_K} f_T(q^2) \right|^2 \right\}$$

- C_V, C_A would be almost fully degenerate, however:

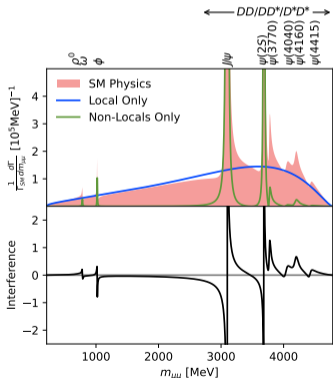
- ▶ $C_7 + C'_7$ is fixed to the SM [EPJC 5 (2024)], as it is strongly constrained by radiative decays [JHEP 4 (2017)].
- ▶ Non-local fit maximises information in q^2 tail regions, where shape degeneracy breaks.



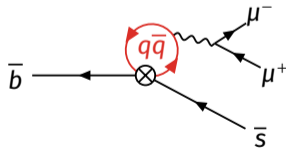
- QCD Form factors (FFs), $f_x(q^2)$, sourced from the HPQCD [PRD 1 (2023)] and FNAL/MILC collaborations [PRD 2 (2016)].

Non-Local Modelling - Method

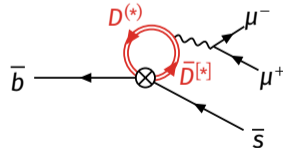
- Substantial non-local effects present in the form of $q\bar{q}$, $D\bar{D}$ loops.
- Non-local effects modelled with dispersion relations [EPJC 12 (2020)], added to C_9 :
 - Strong phase (δ), width (Γ_{or}), and magnitude (η_r) floated in the fit.
- Full-spectrum unbinned fit allows us to maximally exploit the q^2 shape:
 - Probe potential q^2 dependence of C_9 .
 - Shape information is not limited by measurement of normalisation mode $BF(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)$



$$C_9 \rightarrow C_9^{\text{eff}}(q^2) = C_9 + \sum_r Y_r(q^2, m_r, \delta_r, \eta_r, \Gamma_{or})$$



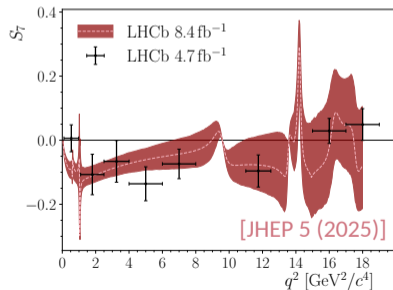
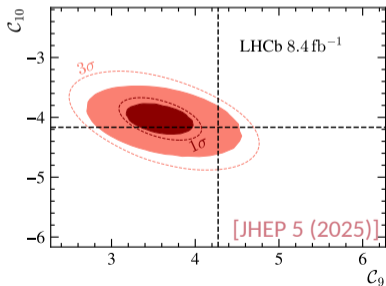
1P ($q\bar{q}$) State



2P ($D\bar{D}$) State

Non-Local Modelling - Suitability

- The capability of this dispersion-like non-local model has been demonstrated in the corresponding $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu\mu$ analysis [JHEP 5 (2025)].
 - ▶ [JHEP 5 (2025)] also favours a value of $\delta C_9^{\text{NP}} < 0$.
 - ▶ Measurement of strong-phase-dependent observables (S_7, S_8, S_9, \dots) in [JHEP 5 (2025)] matches values measured in the binned analysis [PRL 1 (2020)].
 - ✓ Dispersion-like non-local model can explain anomalies in binned observables while continuing to observe the C_9 anomaly.



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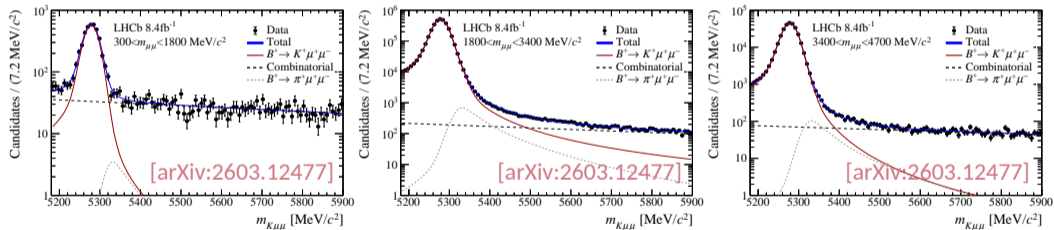
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Data Selection and Yield

- 8.4fb^{-1} of data is used from run 1 (2010 – 12) and 2 (2015 – 18) at the LHCb:
 - ▶ Initial hardware (LO) trigger relies on presence of a high- p_T muon.
 - ▶ HLT (software) triggers and offline selection further filters data.
 - ▶ PID cuts and BDTs target mis-ID and combinatorial background respectively.
- Yields are fit in 3 $m_{\mu\mu}$ regions, dominated by rare, J/ψ , and $\psi(2S)$ modes:



Signal Yield	$\pi \rightarrow K$ mis-ID Yield	Combinatorial Yield
$(3.359 \pm 0.002) \times 10^6$	$(3.3 \pm 0.2) \times 10^3$	$(1.6 \pm 0.1) \times 10^3$

Fitter

- Fit parameters obtained by an unbinned NLL fit of model $P(m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{rec}}, C_9, C_{10}, \dots)$ to the data.

where:

$$P(m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{rec}}, C_9, C_{10}, \dots) = \mathcal{R}(m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{rec}}, m_{\mu\mu}) \otimes \left[2m_{\mu\mu} \frac{dG}{dq^2}(q^2, C_9, C_{10}, \dots) \Big|_{\text{eff}} \right] + P_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{combi.}}(m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{rec}}) + P_{\text{bkg}}^{\pi \rightarrow K}(m_{\mu}^{\text{rec}})$$

with: $m_{\mu\mu} \equiv m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{true}}, q^2 \equiv q^2^{\text{true}}$

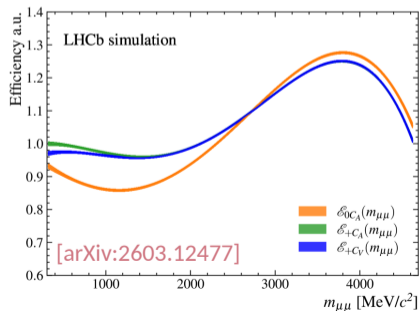
- $\mathcal{R}(m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{rec}}, m_{\mu\mu})$: Detector resolution model.
- $\frac{dG}{dq^2}(q^2, C_9, C_{10}, \dots)$: Efficiency-modified physics model.
- $P_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{combi.}}(m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{rec}}), P_{\text{bkg}}^{\pi \rightarrow K}(m_{\mu}^{\text{rec}})$: Combinatorial and mis-ID background models.

Detector Efficiencies

- Physics-level DDR $d\Gamma/dq^2$ is an integrated form of $d^2\Gamma/dq^2\cos\theta_\mu$:
 - Terms have different **efficiency shapes in q^2** based on their $\cos\theta_\mu$ distribution:

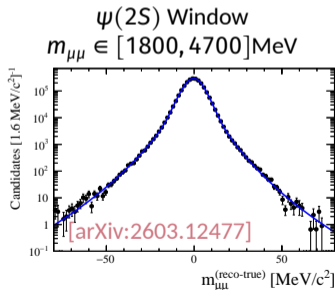
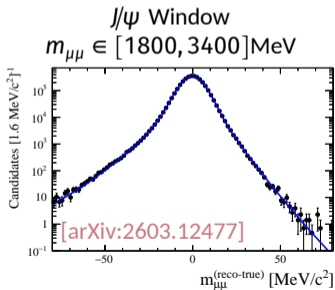
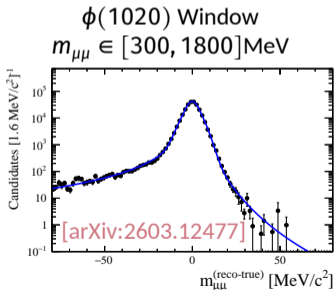
$$\frac{dG}{dq^2}\Big|_{eff} = \frac{G_F^2 \alpha^2 |V_{tb} V_{ts}^*|^2}{2^7 \pi^5} |\mathbf{k}| \beta \left\{ \frac{2}{3} |\mathbf{k}|^2 \beta^2 |C_A f_+(q^2)|^2 \varepsilon_{+C_A}(q^2) + \frac{m_\mu^2 (m_B^2 - m_K^2)^2}{q^2 m_B^2} |C_A f_0(q^2)|^2 \varepsilon_{0C_A}(q^2) + |\mathbf{k}|^2 \left[1 - \frac{\beta^2}{3} \right] \left| C_V f_+(q^2) + 2 (C_7 + C_7') \frac{m_b + m_s}{M_B + M_K} f_T(q^2) \right|^2 \varepsilon_{+C_V}(q^2) \right\}$$

- Each term is modelled with a 4th-order polynomial in $m_{\mu\mu}$, fit to simulation.
- Simulation is corrected using comparison to high-purity data channels.



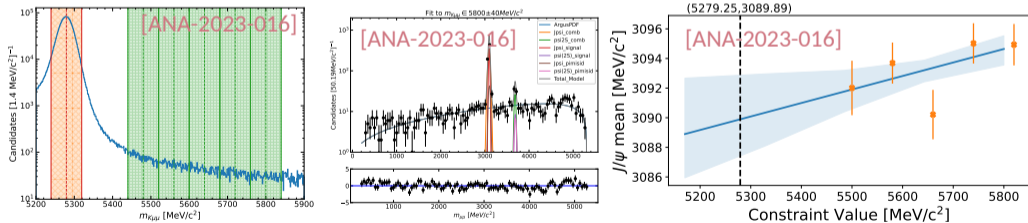
Resolution Model

- J/ψ , $\psi(2S)$, and ϕ have decay widths \lesssim detector resolution in q^2 .
 - ▶ Detector resolution has a substantial effect on the q^2 shape near large resonances.
- Resolution improved by mass constraint $m_{K\mu\mu} \rightarrow m_B^{\text{PDG}}$, but still needs modelling.
 - ▶ Modelled by convolving dG/dq^2 with \mathcal{R} in 3 separate $m_{\mu\mu}$ regions.
 - ▶ Each window's \mathcal{R} is modelled as a double crystal-ball (DCB) + Gaussian.
 - ▶ J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ window parameters are floated in data, ϕ is fixed in simulation.



Modelled Backgrounds - Combinatorial

- Resolution-improving constraint on $m_{K\mu\mu}$ distorts the combinatorial background.
 - ▶ Distortion is in an $m_{K\mu\mu}$ variant manner.
 - ▶ Cannot simply translate the background from high mass regions into the signal window.
- To model the combinatorial in the signal window ($|m_{K\mu\mu} - m_B^{\text{PDG}}| < 40\text{MeV}$):
 1. Upper mass side band (UMSB) is split into 5 regions of 80MeV each.
 2. $m_{K\mu\mu}$ in each region is constrained to the central window value.
 3. Analytic function (ARGUS + 2 Gauss on J/ψ + 1 gauss on $\psi(2S)$) fit in each window.
 4. Fit parameters are linearly extrapolated backward to predict values in the fit window.



Left: The fitting window and the 5 UMSB windows. **Middle:** Analytic model fitting to the right-most UMSB window. **Right:** Linear extrapolation of a combinatorial descriptive parameter, J/ψ peak mean position.

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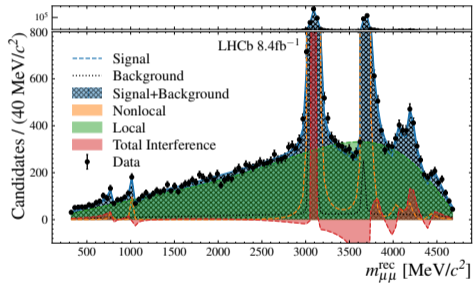
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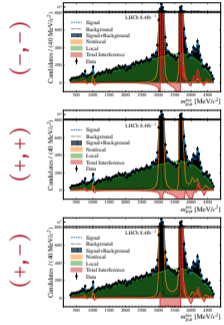
$J/\psi, \psi(2S)$ Phase Degeneracy

- 4 separated near-degenerate points in $-2\log\mathcal{L}_{\min}$ are observed across the fit space:
 - Split by $-ve$ or $+ve$ status of $J/\psi, \psi(2S)$ phases. Also true in the previous analysis [EPJC 3 (2017)].
 - $\text{sign}(\delta_{J/\psi}, \delta_{\psi(2S)}) = (-, +)$ has the lowest $-2\mathcal{L}_{\min}$.
 - Choice has a negligible effect on the WC measurements.

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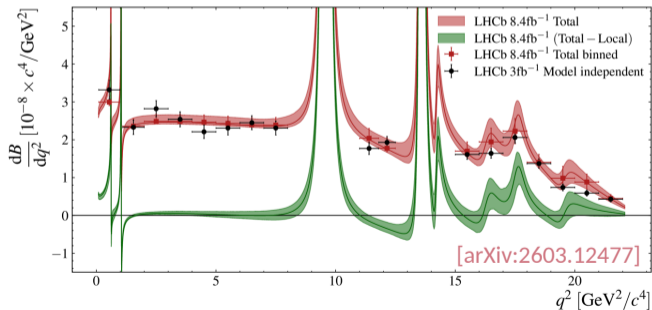


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Value	$(-, +)$	$(+, +)$	$(-, -)$	$(+, -)$
$\delta_{J/\psi}$	$-1.56 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.01$	$1.60 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.01$	$-1.70 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.01$	$1.45 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.01$
$\delta_{\psi(2S)}$	$2.21 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.01$	$1.77 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.01$	$-2.02 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.01$	$-2.46 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.01$
$-2\Delta\log\mathcal{L}_{\min}$	0	0.09	0.69	0.463
$ \Delta C_V $	0	0.006	0.006	0.014
$ \Delta C_A $	0	0.001	0.011	0.012

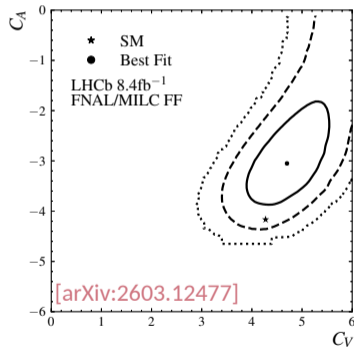
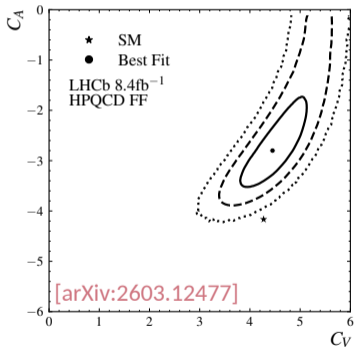
dBF/dq^2 Cross Check

- Binned dBF/dq^2 is calculated based on the unbinned fit model.
- A comparison is made with the model-independent dBF/dq^2 measurement on run 1 data [JHEP 6 (2014)].
 - ▶ A strong agreement is seen between our model-dependent and the previous dBF/dq^2 measurement.
 - ▶ This previous analysis found a suppression in dBF/dq^2 at low q^2 .
- Interference observed between the rare and $J/\psi/\psi(2S)$ modes is small.



$C_A - C_V$ Fit Plane

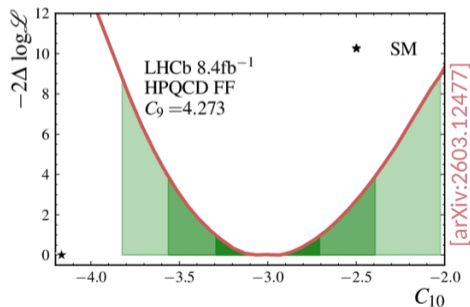
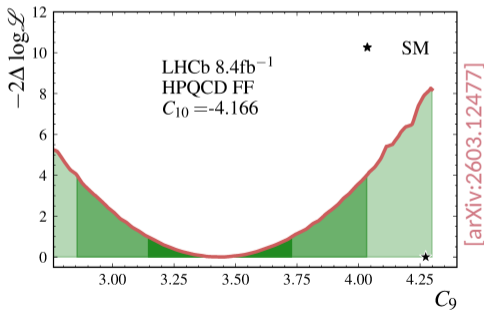
- C_V and C_A features a degeneracy valley as a segment of the circular $C_V^2 + C_A^2 \sim R_0^2$.
- A 4.0σ tension is observed with the SM, when fitting with HPQCD FFs.
 - ▶ When performing the same fit using the less precise FNAL/MILC FFs, the fit point remains the same, but the tension is lessened to 1.6σ .
 - ▶ Fit valley location is similar to that seen in the run 1 only analysis [EPJC 3 (2017)].



Fit profiles in the (C_V, C_A) plane. **Left:** Fit using the most recent HPQCD FFs [PRD 1 (2023)]. **Right:** using the FNAL/MILC FFs. Contours show uncertainties of 68.3%, 95.4%, 99.7% respectively, including systematic uncertainties.

Wilson Coefficient Measurement - Separate

- $C_V - C_A$ planes are not obviously supportive of the common global result: $\delta C_9^{\text{NP}} \approx -1$.
- C_9, C_{10} are additionally individually fit in isolation:
 - ▶ Assuming $C_j^{\text{NP}} = 0$ for every other of $j = 9^{(\prime)}, 10^{(\prime)}$.
 - ▶ Done with the HPQCD FFs [PRD 1 (2023)].
- $\delta C_9^{\text{NP}} < 0$:
 - ▶ Consistent with [JHEP 9 (2022)], however a smaller shift than in [EPJC 5 (2024)].



WC Residual q^2 Dependence

- All 3 2P contributions are in P-wave configurations with similar q^2 dependence outside of threshold effects.
- Due to limited statistics, the 3 2P contributions are fit with a common amplitude and strong phase.
 - ▶ Despite this measure, There was no evidence of the 2P contribution.
- We trial additional fits with **new floating parameters** to capture residual q^2 dependencies:

Linear term fit:

$$C_j^{\text{lin}} = C_j + a_j(q^2 - 11.09\text{GeV}^2)$$

Threshold fit:

$$C_V^{\text{thresh}} = C_V + \Delta \left(\frac{e^{x(m_{\mu\mu}, m_t)}}{1 + e^{x(m_{\mu\mu}, m_t)}} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad \text{with} \quad x(m_{\mu\mu}, m_t) = \frac{m_{\mu\mu} - m_t}{100\text{MeV}}$$

WC Residual q^2 Dependence - Fit Results

- Linear fits are separately performed for:
 - ▶ C_V : $a_V = 0.078 \pm 0.052$
 - ▶ C_A : $a_A = -0.090 \pm 0.045$
- Threshold is separately trialled for two m_t values:
 - ▶ J/ψ Threshold ($m_t = 3096.65\text{MeV}$): $\Delta = 0.41 \pm 0.24$
 - ▶ $D\bar{D}^*$ Threshold ($m_t = 3871.70\text{MeV}$): $\Delta = -1.37 \pm 0.53$
- Hints at potential q^2 dependence not captured in the current model.
 - ▶ Most indicative results are a 2σ linear a_V , and a 2.6σ threshold term at $D\bar{D}^*$.
 - ▶ Linear a_A is similar to that obtained in corresponding $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\mu\mu$ analysis [JHEP 5 (2025)].
- Variation of systematic uncertainties has a negligible effect on these results.

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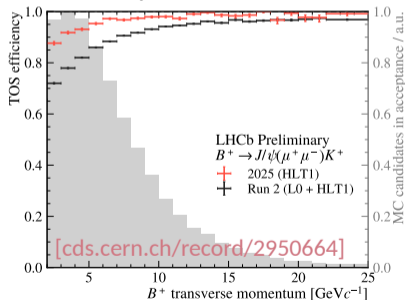
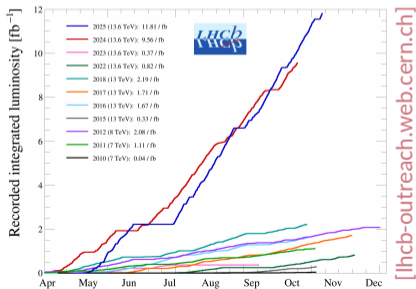
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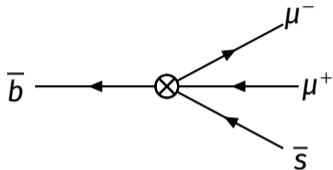
LHCb at Run 3

- LHCb saw substantial upgrades during the shutdown years of 2019-2021.
 - ▶ Factor 5 luminosity increase: $4 \times 10^{32} \text{cm}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1} \rightarrow 2 \times 10^{33} \text{cm}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$.
 - ▶ An entirely remade trigger system, including removal of the hardware trigger, increasing signal/luminosity yield.
- ▷ Substantially more statistics available
 - ▶ (Re)opens some extra physics goals in the run 3 analysis.
- $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu\mu) K^+$ run 3 feasibility analyses are already released [[arXiv:2603.12477](https://arxiv.org/abs/2603.12477)].



Left: Integrated luminosity in pp collisions at the LHCb. Right: Trigger efficiencies in run 2 and 2025 data at the LHCb.

Run 3 Goal - Multi WC Fit

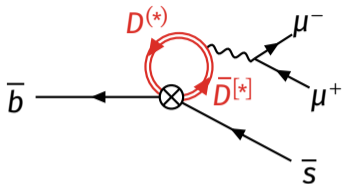


$$\langle f | \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} | i \rangle = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_j C_j \langle f | \mathcal{O}_j | i \rangle$$

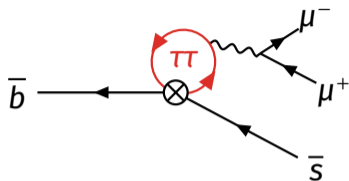
$$j = S^{(\prime)}, P^{(\prime)}, 9^{(\prime)}, 10^{(\prime)}, 7_{\text{eff}}^{(\prime)}, T, T5$$

- In addition to C_V , C_A , and $C_7^{\text{eff}} + C_7'$, the $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu \mu$ decay is also sensitive to:
 - ▶ $C_S + C_S'$, $C_P + C_P'$, C_T , and C_{T5} .
 - ▶ These extra WCs are fixed to their SM values (= 0) in the run 1 + 2 fit.
- For greater model independence and to broaden NP search, the run 3 analysis will simultaneously fit for all 6 of these Wilson Coefficients:
 - ▶ Also fit for the phases of all but C_{10} , allowing direct CPV.
 - ▶ $C_7^{\text{eff}} + C_7'$ remains fixed, as this can be independently determined to a high precision in radiative decays [JHEP 4 (2017)].
 - ▶ Continue to use an unreduced form of the physics model described in [PRD 5 (2016)].

Run 3 Goal - C_9^T



$D^{(*)}\bar{D}^{[*]}$ (2P) Loop Contribution

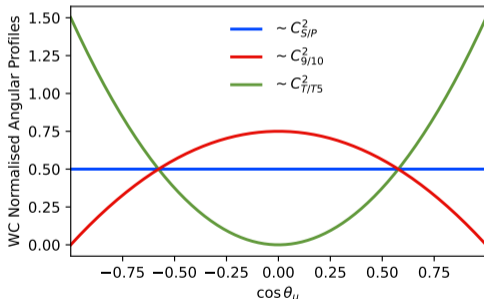
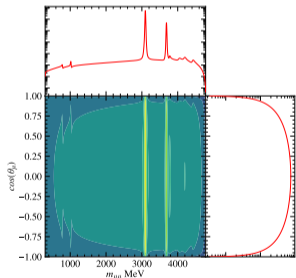


$\tau^+\tau^-$ Loop Contribution

- Another decay contribution is the rescattering tau loop: $B^+ \rightarrow K^+(\tau^+\tau^- \rightarrow)\mu^+\mu^-$
 - ▶ Parameter C_9^T is expected to be incredibly sensitive to some NP models [PRL 18 (2018)].
- Modelled by adding a further dispersion term to $C_9^{\text{eff}}(q^2)$ [EPJC 12 (2020)].
 - ▶ Expected statistical uncertainty on C_9^T is $\mathcal{O}(< 100)$.
- Viability of fit was investigated in run 1 + 2, but:
 - ▶ Lack of data meant a joint δ_r and η_r had to be used for all 3 2P states.
 - ▶ This adds an enormous systematic uncertainty to $C_9^T \rightarrow$ measurement unviable.
- Will re-attempt a C_9^T measurement at run 3.

Angular Dimension

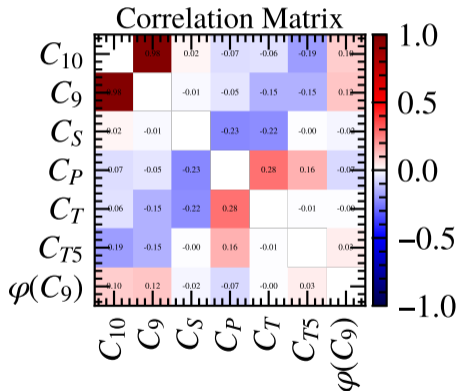
- Biggest change is the addition of the angular dimension: $d\Gamma/dq^2 \rightarrow d^2\Gamma/dq^2 d\cos\theta_\mu$
 - ▶ Helicity angle $\cos\theta_\mu = \left(\frac{\mathbf{p}_B \cdot \mathbf{p}_{\mu^-}}{|\mathbf{p}_B| |\mathbf{p}_{\mu^-}|} \right)_{\mu\mu \text{ rest frame}}$
- WCs with different J -number have distinct shapes in non-zero $\cos\theta_\mu$ orders:
 - ▶ This protects the fit uncertainties on C_9, C_{10} from exploding.
 - ▶ Degeneracies are further broken by interference terms in $\sim \cos\theta_\mu, \sim \cos^2\theta_\mu$.



Left: SM-valued PDF visualisation in the $m_{\mu\mu}, \cos\theta_\mu$ plane. **Right:** Angular profiles of $d\Gamma/d\cos\theta_\mu$, under assumption of only one non-zero WC, as a demonstration of fit-degeneracy breaking angular structure.

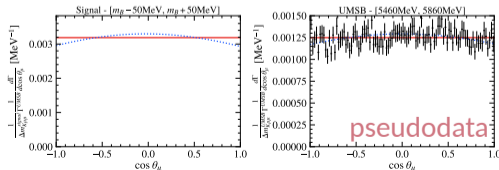
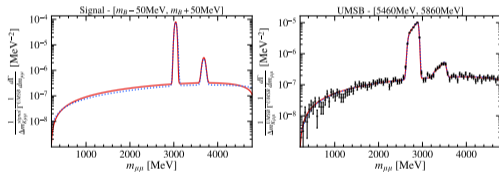
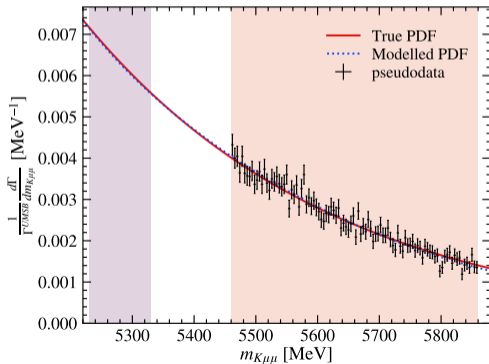
Toy Studies

- Toy studies have supported the idea that adding floating WCs does not weaken C_V , C_A fitting ability.
 - ✓ Toys are stable.
 - ✓ Correlations seen in other WCs are all far smaller than those between $C_9 - C_{10}$.
 - ✓ Pull and fit value distributions are consistent with those in C_9, C_{10} only fits.
 - ▶ Will also introduce extra phases to this fit.
 - ▶ Some optimisation remains in fitting procedure.



Combinatorial Background

- Run 3 features more combinatorial background.
- Combinatorial needs to be modelled in $m_{\mu\mu}, \cos\theta_{\mu}$.
 - ▶ Unable to just translate UMSB shape due to \mathcal{R} constraint.
 - ▶ An ML approach is used to generate the signal region PDF, having trained on UMSB data.
- Tests on pseudodata has shown strong performance.
 - ▶ Pseudodata generated from run 1 + 2 analytic combinatorial model.
 - ▶ Will be tested + tuned on the fully combinatorial $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^+$ data channel.



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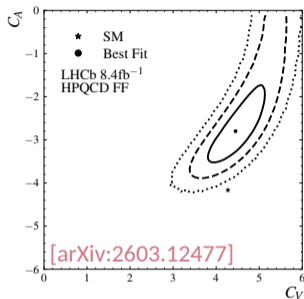
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- $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu\mu$ data from runs 1 + 2 at LHCb has been fit using an unbinned model in q^2 , with a dispersion model used to incorporate non-locals.
- With the latest HPQCD FFs [PRD 1 (2023)], the C_V, C_A couplings show a SM tension of 4σ .
- When assuming SM-valued C_9' and C_{10}' , measured C_9 is compatible with global $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ analyses [JHEP 9 (2022)].
- Run 3 analysis is well positioned to:
 - ▶ Improve statistical accuracy on C_V, C_A .
 - ▶ Expand number of simultaneously measured WCs.
 - ▶ Potentially measure C_9^T .



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Thanks for listening!

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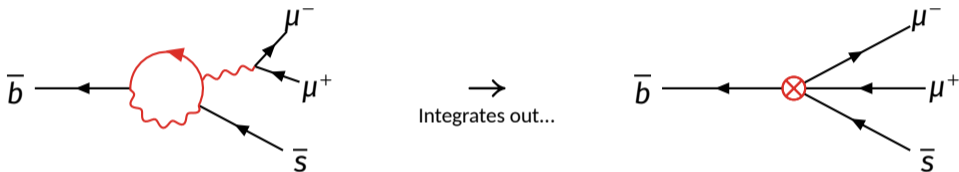
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Backup Slides

EFT in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ Decays

- Higher energy physics ($E > m_b$) in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ decays is integrated out, producing an effective field theory (EFT) hamiltonian, \mathcal{H}_{eff} :

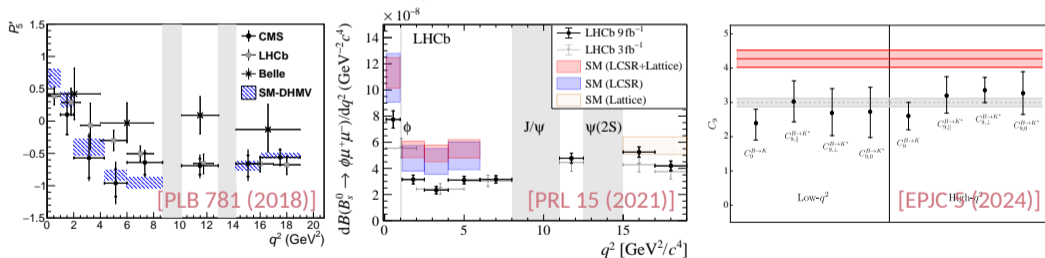


$$\mathcal{A}_{i \rightarrow f} = \langle f | \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} | i \rangle = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_j C_j \langle f | \mathcal{O}_j | i \rangle$$

- Long range physics is described by the operators, \mathcal{O}_j , with the short range physics summarised by the Wilson Coefficients (WCs), C_j .
 - High energy new physics (NP) will perturb the relevant C_j value away from the standard model (SM) prediction by δC_j^{NP} .

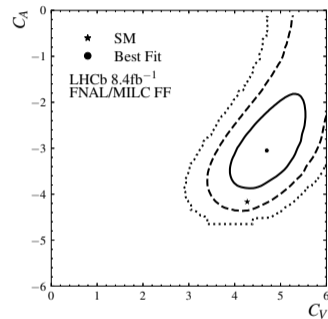
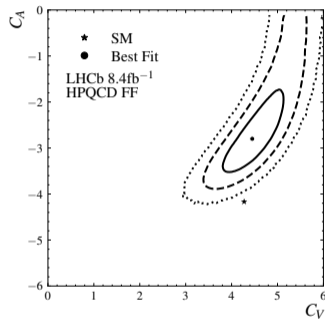
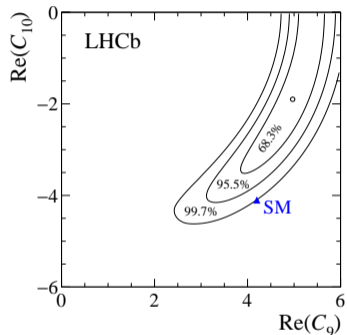
B Flavour Anomalies

- Past measurements of $b \rightarrow s \ell \ell$ transitions have persistently shown SM tensions.
 - Observed across a range of observables and detectors.
 - Often observed to be consistent with a $\delta C_9^{NP} < 0$ hypothesis.
- Global fits of the WCs support these observations, with [JHEP 9 (2022)] suggesting $\delta C_9^{NP} \approx -1.0$, and [EPJC 5 (2024)] fitting for $\delta C_9^{NP} = -1.3 \pm 0.1$.
 - Further, more sensitive, fits of C_9 are strongly motivated.



Demonstrative C_9 conducive anomalies in P_5' in $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu \mu$ decays (left), and in $d\mathcal{B}/dq^2$ in $B_S^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu \mu$ (middle). Right: fit to independent determinations of C_9 in several $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}$ decays.

2D WC Fits Incl. Previous Analysis



Left: $C_9 - C_{10}$ plane taken from the run 1 analysis: arXiv:1612.06764v2. **Middle:** $C_9 - C_{10}$ in the current analysis, fitted with the HPQCD form factors. **Right:** $C_9 - C_{10}$ in the current analysis, fitted with the FNAL/MILC form factors.

Systematic Uncertainties

Systematic uncertainties on the parameters of interest. See <https://arxiv.org/abs/2603.12477> for more information.

Parameter	HPQCD FF	$BF(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)$	Resolution	Bkg extrapolation	Subtraction
C_V	0.141	0.079	0.013	0.012	0.065
C_V	0.084	0.014	0.034	0.031	-
δ_ρ [rad]	0.074	0.002	0.016	0.005	-
η_ρ	0.012	0.001	0.001	0.001	-
δ_ω [rad]	0.006	0.015	0.018	0.001	-
η_ω	0.058	0.005	0.009	0.001	-
$\delta_{\phi(1020)}$ [rad]	0.005	0.051	0.004	0.002	-
$\eta_{\phi(1020)}$	0.082	0.004	0.010	0.001	-
$\delta_{J/\psi}$ [rad]	0.018	0.001	0.002	0.006	-
$\delta_{\psi(2S)}$ [rad]	0.027	0.006	0.006	0.012	-
$\eta_{\psi(2S)}$	41.42	18.69	0.020	0.087	-
$\delta_{\psi(3770)}$ [rad]	0.030	0.002	0.003	0.011	-
$\eta_{\psi(3770)}$	0.099	0.035	0.006	0.040	-
$\delta_{\psi(4040)}$ [rad]	0.098	0.003	0.006	0.018	-
$\eta_{\psi(4040)}$	0.135	0.015	0.009	0.006	-
$\delta_{\psi(4160)}$ [rad]	0.107	0.002	0.007	0.009	-
$\eta_{\psi(4160)}$	0.118	0.023	0.013	0.010	-
$\delta_{\psi(4415)}$ [rad]	0.085	0.002	0.016	0.010	-
$\eta_{\psi(4415)}$	0.072	0.016	0.027	0.009	-
δ_{2P} [rad]	0.207	0.003	0.035	0.017	-
η_{2P}	0.137	0.002	0.005	0.021	-

Helicity Formalism - arXiv:1506.03970

$$\frac{d^2\Gamma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_\mu} = \mathbb{G}^0 + \mathbb{G}^1 \cos\theta_\mu + \frac{\mathbb{G}^2}{2} (3\cos^2\theta_\mu - 1)$$

Where:

$$\mathbb{G}^0 = \frac{4}{3} (1 + 2\hat{m}_\ell^2) |h^V|^2 + \frac{4}{3} \beta_\ell^2 |h^A|^2 + 2\beta_\ell^2 |h^S|^2 + 2|h^P|^2 +$$
$$+ \frac{8}{3} (1 + 8\hat{m}_\ell^2) |h^{T_t}|^2 + \frac{4}{3} \beta_\ell^2 |h^T|^2 + 16\hat{m}_\ell \text{Im} [h^V \bar{h}^{T_t}]$$

$$\mathbb{G}^1 = -4\beta_\ell (2\hat{m}_\ell \text{Re} [h^V \bar{h}^S] - \text{Im} [2h^{T_t} \bar{h}^S + \sqrt{2} h^T \bar{h}^P])$$

$$\mathbb{G}^2 = -\frac{4\beta_\ell^2}{3} (|h^V|^2 + |h^A|^2 - 2|h^T|^2 - 4|h^{T_t}|^2)$$

Helicity Formalism - arXiv:1506.03970

Note: Notation displayed here is consistent with the rest of this presentation, and is distinct from that used in arXiv:1506.03970.

$$h^S = \frac{m_B^2 - m_K^2}{2} \left(\frac{C_S + C'_S}{m_b - m_s} \right) f_0$$

$$h^P = \frac{m_B^2 - m_K^2}{2} \left(\frac{C_P + C'_P}{m_b - m_s} + \frac{2m_\mu (C_A + C'_A)}{q^2} \right) f_0$$

$$h^V = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_{BK}}}{2\sqrt{q^2}} \left(\frac{2m_b}{m_B + m_K} (C_7^{\text{eff}} + C'_7) f_T + C_V f_+ \right)$$

$$h^A = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_{BK}}}{2\sqrt{q^2}} C_A f_+$$

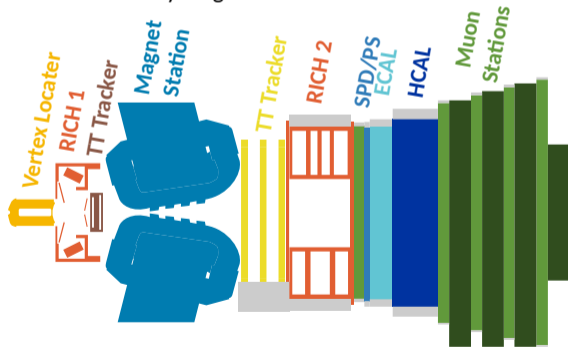
$$h^T = -i \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_{BK}}}{2(m_B + m_K)} C_{T5} f_T$$

$$h^{T_t} = -i \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_{BK}}}{2(m_B + m_K)} C_T f_T$$

$$h^X \equiv \langle \bar{K} | \bar{s} \Gamma^X b | \bar{B} \rangle$$

The LHCb Detector in Runs 1 + 2

- Specialised B detector at the LHC. In a symmetric $p-p$ environment.
 - ▶ Substantially higher statistics than B -factories ($\mathcal{O}(10^{12})$ bb pairs produced per year).
 - ▶ Much messier environment.
- b hadrons produced with $p \sim 80\text{GeV}$
 - ▶ Decay time of $\sim 3 \times 10^{-11}\text{s}$.
 - ▶ Decay length of $\sim 7\text{mm}$.

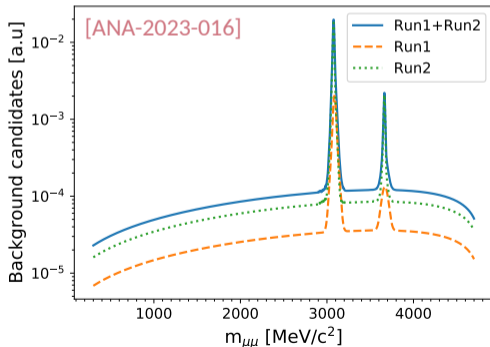


Run 1 + 2 Performance Summaries:

- $\frac{\delta p}{p} = 0.5 - 1.0\%$ while $p \in [20, 200]\text{GeV}$
- $\frac{\delta E}{E} (\text{ECAL}) = 1\% + \frac{10\%}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}}$
- $\frac{\delta E}{E} (\text{HCAL}) = 9\% + \frac{69\%}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}}$
- $\delta IP = 15\mu\text{m} + \frac{29}{p_T/\text{GeV}}\mu\text{m}$

Modelled Backgrounds - $\pi \rightarrow K$ mis-ID

- $B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu \mu$ closely kinematically mimics $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu \mu$.
 - ▶ Primary handle is information from the RICH PID system on mass estimation.
 - ▶ Still see about mis-ID/signal rate of $\sim 10^{-3}$.
- Modelled with a kernel density estimator.
 - ▶ Trained using simulated data corrected by comparison to high-purity data channels.
 - ▶ Performed separately for run 1 + 2, then summed.



Combinatorial Background - Method

- Combinatorial background has 3 distinct contributions: broad, J/ψ , and $\psi(2S)$.
 - ▶ Incredibly different scales and shapes, ML models struggle to capture all 3 simultaneously.
- Train 3 neural networks over different phase space regions:
 - ▶ Broad combinatorial NN, blind to J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ regions.
 - ▶ J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ NNs, trained to 'make up the difference' in these regions.
- Trained on linearly transformed, reweighted pseudodata to make phase space division more convenient.

