

**Improved Model–Independent Analysis of  
Semileptonic and Radiative Rare  $B$  Decays**

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# Motivations & Questions

Plenty of data from the  $B$ -Factories:

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)_{\text{WA}} = (3.22 \pm 0.40) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \mu^+ \mu^-) = (0.99^{+0.40+0.13}_{-0.32-0.14}) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K e^+ e^-) = (0.48^{+0.32+0.09}_{-0.24-0.11}) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \ell^+ \ell^-) = \begin{cases} (0.75^{+0.25}_{-0.21} \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-6} \\ (0.84^{+0.30+0.10}_{-0.24-0.18}) \times 10^{-6} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-) \leq 3.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ at } 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* e^+ e^-) \leq 5.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ at } 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \mu^+ \mu^-) = (8.9^{+2.3+1.6}_{-2.4-1.7}) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s e^+ e^-) = (5.1^{+2.6+1.3}_{-2.4-1.2}) \times 10^{-6}$$

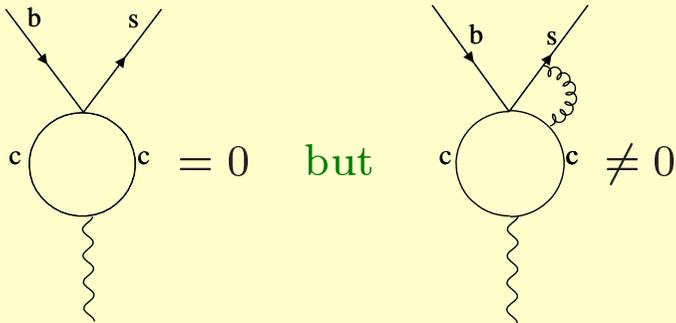
$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-) = (7.1^{+1.6+1.4}_{-1.6-1.2}) \times 10^{-6}$$

Questions to be addressed:

- Which observables can establish New Physics?
- Experiment vs Theory!
- What is the impact of the combined  $b \rightarrow s\gamma$  and  $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$  measurements?
- What about SUSY?
  - Is it possible to establish SUSY with rare decays only?
  - Can they exclude specific models?
  - What happens in Minimal Flavour Violating SUSY models?
  - And in more general models?

$$B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$$

- NLO precision:  $\langle \mathcal{A} \rangle = A_0 + A_1 \alpha_s + O(\alpha_s^2)$
- Power corrections:  $\frac{\Lambda^2}{m_b^2}, \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_c^2}$
- Issue of the charm mass:



### SM Prediction(s)

For  $\hat{m}_c = m_c/m_b = 0.29 \pm 0.02$  (pole mass):

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)^{SM} = (3.29 \pm 0.33) \times 10^{-4}$$

For  $\hat{m}_c = 0.22 \pm 0.04$  ( $\overline{MS}$  mass at  $\mu = \mu_b$ ):

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)^{SM} = (3.73 \pm 0.30) \times 10^{-4}$$

For  $\hat{m}_c = 0.25$  (average):

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma)^{SM} = (3.50 \pm 0.50) \times 10^{-4}$$

### SM Predictions

$$B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \ell^-$$

- NNLO precision is at hand.
- Large Form Factors uncertainties.

$B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$  problem: data require a value of the FF smaller than its typical QCD Sum Rule estimate!

$\Rightarrow$  We choose to use the minimum allowed Form Factors.

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K \ell^+ \ell^-) = (0.35 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{exp}}{=} (0.79 \pm 0.21) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* e^+ e^-) = (1.58 \pm 0.49) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{exp}}{\leq} 5.1 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-) = (1.19 \pm 0.39) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{exp}}{\leq} 3.0 \times 10^{-6}$$

## $B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-$ (Full Spectrum)

- NNLO precision in the low- $s$  region:  
 $\langle \mathcal{A} \rangle = A_0 + A_1 \alpha_s + O(\alpha_s^2)$
- Power corrections:  $\frac{\Lambda^2}{m_b^2}, \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_c^2}$
- No charm mass issue! ( $c\bar{c}$  resonances)
- in the high- $s$  region we drop the problematic NNLO corrections to the matrix elements and set  $\mu_b = 2.5$  GeV

## SM Predictions

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}^{\text{full}}(B \rightarrow X_s e^+ e^-) &= (6.89 \pm 1.01) \times 10^{-6} \\ &\stackrel{\text{exp}}{=} (8.9^{+2.3+1.6}_{-2.4-1.7}) \times 10^{-6} \\ \mathcal{B}^{\text{full}}(B \rightarrow X_s \mu^+ \mu^-) &= (4.15 \pm 0.70) \times 10^{-6} \\ &\stackrel{\text{exp}}{=} (5.1^{+2.6+1.3}_{-2.4-1.2}) \times 10^{-6} \\ \mathcal{B}^{\text{full}}(B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-) &= (5.52 \pm 0.94) \times 10^{-6} \\ &\stackrel{\text{exp}}{=} (7.1^{+1.6+1.4}_{-1.6-1.2}) \times 10^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

## $B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-$ (Low- $s$ region)

- We define the low- $s$  regions as follow:

$$\begin{aligned} 0.2 \text{ GeV} &\leq \sqrt{s_{ee}} \leq M_{J/\Psi} - 0.60 \text{ GeV} & \mathcal{B}^{\text{low}}(B \rightarrow X_s e^+ e^-) &= (2.47 \pm 0.40) \times 10^{-6} \\ 2 m_\mu &\leq \sqrt{s_{\mu\mu}} \leq M_{J/\Psi} - 0.35 \text{ GeV} & \mathcal{B}^{\text{low}}(B \rightarrow X_s \mu^+ \mu^-) &= (2.75 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

## SM Predictions

## SM Operator Basis for $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ and $b \rightarrow sl^+\ell^-$ decays

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \sum_{i=1}^{10} C_i(\mu) O_i(\mu)$$

$$O_7 = \frac{e}{g_s^2} m_b (\bar{s}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} b_R) F_{\mu\nu}$$

$$O_8 = \frac{1}{g_s} m_b (\bar{s}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^a b_R) G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

$$O_9 = \frac{e^2}{g_s^2} (\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu b_L) (\bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu \ell)$$

$$O_{10} = \frac{e^2}{g_s^2} (\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu b_L) (\bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \ell)$$

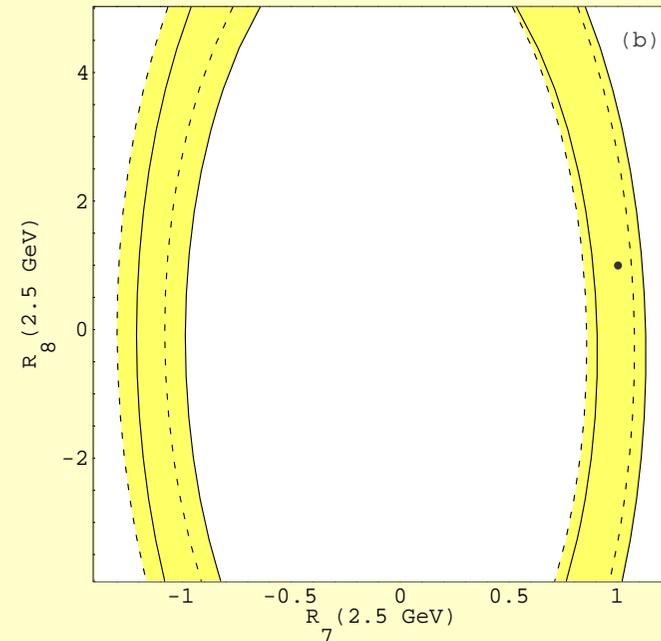
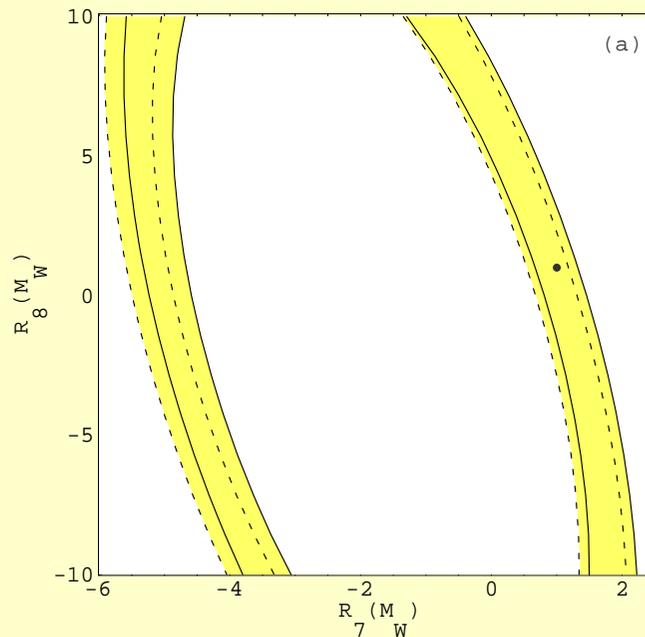
$$C_i(\mu) = C_i^{(0)}(\mu) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{4\pi} C_i^{(1)}(\mu) + \dots \implies C_i^{(0)} \text{ is } \begin{cases} \neq 0 & i = 1 \div 6, 9 \\ = 0 & i = 7, 8, 10 \end{cases}$$

## From $\gamma$ to $l^+l^-$ : I round

- At 90% C.L.:  $2.56 \times 10^{-4} \leq \mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) \leq 3.88 \times 10^{-4}$
- $\hat{m}_c = 0.25$
- $-10 \leq C_8(M_W)/C_8^{SM}(M_W) \leq 10$  from  $b \rightarrow sg$  and  $B \rightarrow X_d$
- The theoretical error ( $\delta_{\mathcal{B}}^{\text{th}} = 14\%$ ) is included

Note that  $b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$  decays depend on  $C_7(\mu_b)$  only.

$$R_i = C_i/C_i^{\text{SM}}$$

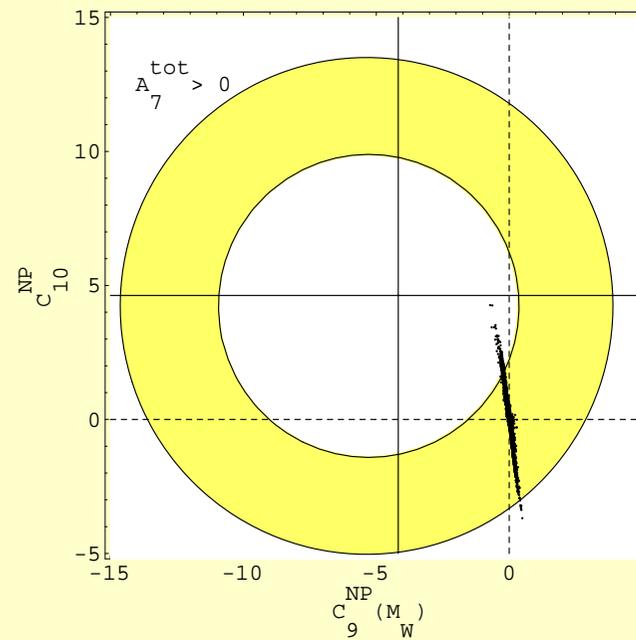
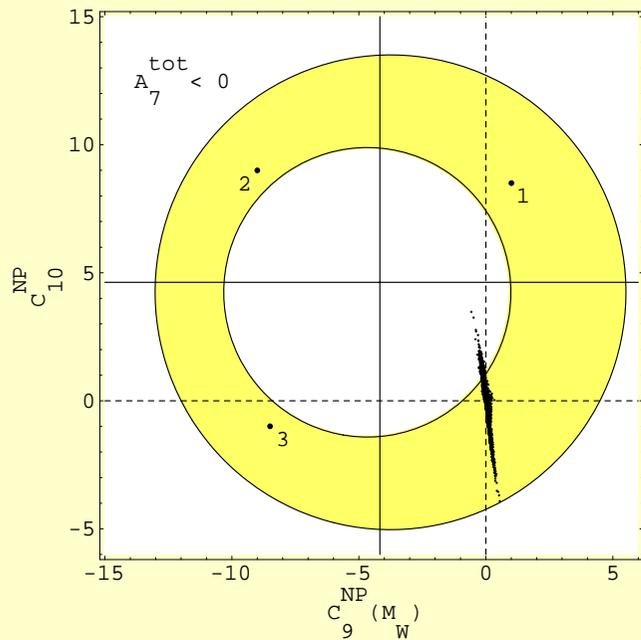


## From $\gamma$ to $l^+l^-$ : II round

- The 90% C.L. bounds that come from  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  are:

$$-0.37 \leq C_7(\mu_b) \leq -0.23 \quad \& \quad 0.24 \leq C_7(\mu_b) \leq 0.38$$

- The operator basis is the same as in the SM
- The most stringent bounds come from  $B \rightarrow X_s e^+ e^-$  and  $B \rightarrow K l^+ l^-$
- We add the theory errors ( $\delta_{see} = 15\%$ ,  $\delta_{kll} = 34\%$ )



# Minimal Flavour Violating MSSM

- The MFV parameter space is:

$$M_{\tilde{t}} = 90 \text{ GeV} \div 1 \text{ TeV}$$

$$\theta_{\tilde{t}} = -\pi/2 \div \pi/2$$

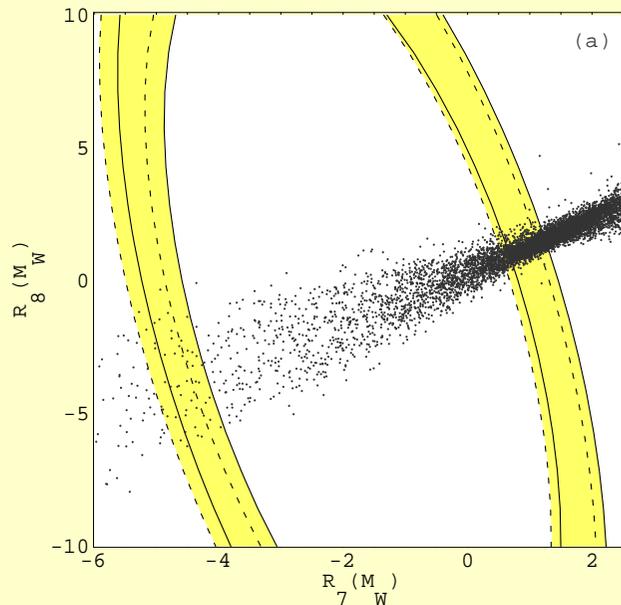
$$\mu = -1 \text{ TeV} \div 1 \text{ TeV}$$

$$M_2 = 0 \div 1 \text{ TeV}$$

$$M_{H^\pm} = 78.6 \text{ GeV} \div 1 \text{ TeV}$$

$$M_{\tilde{q}} \simeq 1 \text{ TeV}, M_{\tilde{\nu}} \geq 50 \text{ GeV}$$

- Correlation between  $C_7$  and  $C_8$  in MFV:

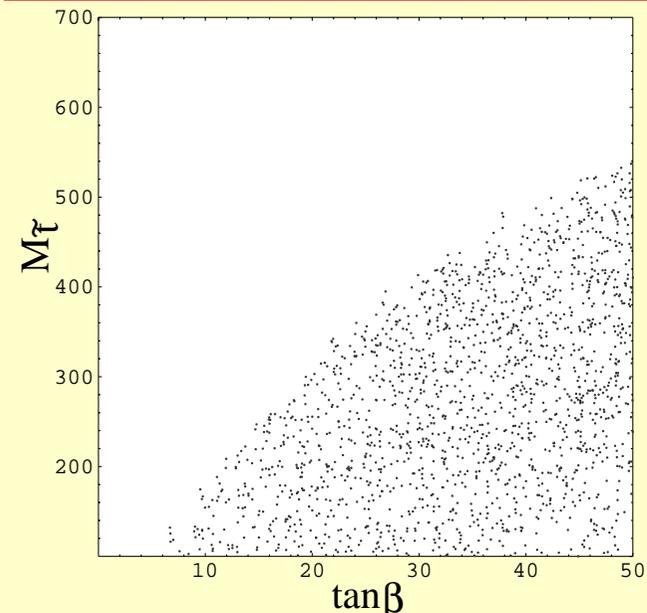


- Allowed ranges for  $C_9$  and  $C_{10}$  compatible with the  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  constraint:

$$-C_7 > 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} C_9 = -0.2 \div 0.3 \\ C_{10} = -0.8 \div 0.5 \end{cases}$$

$$-C_7 < 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} C_9 = -0.2 \div 0.4 \\ C_{10} = -1.0 \div 0.7 \end{cases}$$

- Points that satisfy the  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  constraint with a positive (opposite to the SM)  $C_7$ :



# Extended-MFV MSSM

- Heavy squark–gluino mass spectrum

- The MFV hypothesis is **not** imposed

- In the Mass Insertion Approximation, only 2 insertions can play a role:

$$\delta_{\tilde{u}_L \tilde{t}_2} \equiv \frac{M_{\tilde{u}_L \tilde{t}_2}^2}{M_{\tilde{q}} M_{\tilde{t}_2}} \frac{|V_{td}|}{V_{td}^*}$$

$$\delta_{\tilde{c}_L \tilde{t}_2} \equiv \frac{M_{\tilde{c}_L \tilde{t}_2}^2}{M_{\tilde{q}} M_{\tilde{t}_2}} \frac{|V_{ts}|}{V_{ts}^*}$$

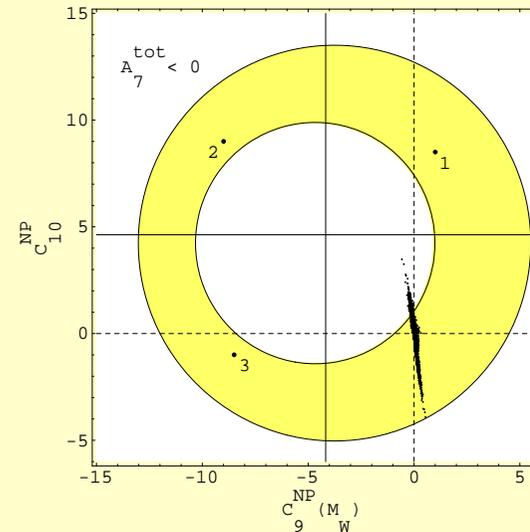
- Parameters:  $\mu$ ,  $M_2$ ,  $\tan \beta_S$ ,  $M_{H^\pm}$ ,  $M_{\tilde{t}_2}$ ,  $\theta_{\tilde{t}}$ ,  $\delta_{\tilde{u}_L \tilde{t}_2}$ ,  $\delta_{\tilde{c}_L \tilde{t}_2}$

$$\delta_{\tilde{u}_L \tilde{t}_2}: b \rightarrow d\gamma, b \rightarrow dl^+l^-, B_d \rightarrow l^+l^-, \Delta M_{B_d}, \Delta M_{B_s}/\Delta M_{B_d}, a_{\psi K_s}, \epsilon_K$$

The detailed analysis is presented in:

A. Ali and E. L., Eur. Phys. J. C21, 683 (2001)

$$\delta_{\tilde{c}_L \tilde{t}_2}: b \rightarrow s\gamma, b \rightarrow sl^+l^-, B_s \rightarrow l^+l^-, \Delta M_{B_s}/\Delta M_{B_d}$$



## Conclusions

- Data on radiative and semileptonic rare  $B$  decays provide tight model independent bounds on the relevant Wilson Coefficients
- There are still open theoretical problems:
  - $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ : Issue of the charm mass
  - $B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^-$ : NNLO precision only available in the low- $s$  region
  - $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \ell^-$ : Validity of the QCD sum rules Form Factors
- Minimal Flavour Violating models:
  - Contributions to  $C_9$  and  $C_{10}$  are small
  - The detection of a positive  $C_7$  would imply the presence of a light stop, i.e.  $M_{\tilde{t}} \leq 500$  GeV