

New physics in $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} + \text{invisible}$

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is it compatible with previously studied models and other measured modes?

Outline

- first consider an effective theory and find the parameter region of interest
- look for simple models with heavy mediators and consider additional constraints



first we quantify the "excess"

To constrain neutrino couplings we use

$$R_{K}^{\nu\nu} = \frac{\mathscr{B}(B^{+} \to K^{+}\nu\bar{\nu})}{\mathscr{B}(B^{+} \to K^{+}\nu\bar{\nu})_{\text{SM}}} = 5.3 \pm 1.7 \quad \text{using new result}$$
$$= 3. \pm 1. \quad \text{or using average}$$
$$R_{K^{*}}^{\nu\nu} = \frac{\mathscr{B}(B \to K^{*}\nu\bar{\nu})}{\mathscr{B}(B \to K^{*}\nu\bar{\nu})_{\text{SM}}} \leq 2.7 \quad \text{Belle combined}$$
$$\leq 1.9 \quad \text{best for neutral mode}$$

• As constraints on new invisible particles, we use instead $\mathscr{B}(B^+ \to K^+ + invisible)_{NP} \equiv \mathscr{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu})_{exp} - \mathscr{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu})_{SM} = (1.9 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-5}$

 $\mathscr{B}(B^+ \to K^+ + invisible)_{\rm NP} \equiv \mathscr{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu})_{\rm ave} - \mathscr{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu})_{\rm SM} = (1.0 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-5}$

- combined with limits obtained from 90% c.I upper limits
- $-\mathscr{B}(B^0 \to K^0 + invisible)_{\rm NP} \le 2.3 \times 10^{-5}$
- $-\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^{*+} + invisible)_{\mathbb{NP}} \leq 3.1 \times 10^{-5}, \mathcal{B}(B^0 \to K^{*0} + invisible)_{\mathbb{NP}} \leq 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$

LEFT with ν final states

start from an effective interaction at the B scale

$$\begin{split} \mathscr{H}_{eff} &= -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^{\star} \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} \sum_{ij} \left(C_L^{ij} \mathcal{O}_L^{ij} + C_R^{ij} \mathcal{O}_R^{ij} + C_L^{'ij} \mathcal{O}_L^{'ij} + C_R^{'ij} \mathcal{O}_R^{'ij} \right. \\ &+ C_9^{ij} \mathcal{O}_9^{ij} + C_{10}^{ij} \mathcal{O}_{10}^{ij} + C_{9'}^{ij} \mathcal{O}_{9'}^{ij} + C_{10'}^{ij} \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} \right) + \text{ h. c.} \\ &\mathcal{O}_L^{ij} = (\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu b_L) (\bar{\nu}_i \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_L^{'ij} = (\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu b_L) (\bar{\nu}_i \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma_5) \nu_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_R^{'ij} = (\bar{s}_R \gamma_\mu b_R) (\bar{\nu}_i \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma_5) \nu_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_R^{'ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_L) (\bar{\nu}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)}) (\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j), \\ \mathcal{O}_{10'}^{ij} = (\bar{s}_{L(R)}, \gamma_\mu b_{L(R)})$$

- charged leptons are related in SMEFT or specific models
- at the weak scale we have in mind leptoquarks and/or Z^\prime mediators

- no scalar or tensor operators

 $-b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$ processes also constrain both cases



Approximate numerical results

$$\begin{split} R_{K}^{\nu\nu} &\approx 1 - 0.1 \; \mathrm{Re} \sum_{i} \left(C_{L}^{ii} + C_{R}^{ii} \right) + 0.008 \; \sum_{ij} \left(\left| C_{L}^{ij} + C_{R}^{ij} \right|^{2} + \left| C_{L}^{\prime \; ij} + C_{R}^{\prime \; ij} \right|^{2} \right), \\ R_{K^{*}}^{\nu\nu} &\approx 1 + \mathrm{Re} \sum_{i} \left(-0.1 \; C_{L}^{ii} + 0.07 \; C_{R}^{ii} \right) \\ &+ \sum_{ij} \left[0.008 \left(C_{L}^{ij^{2}} + C_{R}^{ij^{2}} + C_{L}^{\prime \; ij^{2}} + C_{R}^{\prime \; ij^{2}} \right) - 0.01 \left(C_{L}^{ij} C_{R}^{ij} + C_{L}^{\prime \; ij} C_{R}^{\prime \; ij} \right) \right]. \\ R_{K}^{\nu\nu} - R_{K^{*}}^{\nu\nu} &= 2(1 + \eta) \left[\frac{C_{LSM}}{3 \left| C_{LSM} \right|^{2}} \sum_{i} \mathrm{Re} \left(C_{R}^{ii} \right) + \frac{1}{3 \left| C_{LSM} \right|^{2}} \sum_{ij} \mathrm{Re} \left(C_{L}^{ij} C_{R}^{*ij} + C_{L}^{\prime \; ij} C_{R}^{*\; ij} \right) \right]. \end{split}$$

- No isospin breaking so rates for neutral and charged modes are the same
- Primed coefficients do not interfere with SM or with unprimed ones
- Several special cases result in $R_K^{\nu\nu} = R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu}$, for example, if there are only C_L terms
- Not so with only C_R terms due to SM contribution

t-channel mediators: leptoquarks

scalar or vector leptoquarks with couplings to SM neutrinos

$$\mathscr{L}_{S} = \lambda_{LS_{0}} \bar{q}_{L}^{c} i \tau_{2} \mathscr{C}_{L} S_{0}^{\dagger} + \lambda_{L\tilde{S}_{1/2}} \bar{d}_{R} \mathscr{C}_{L} \tilde{S}_{1/2}^{\dagger} + \lambda_{LS_{1}} \bar{q}_{L}^{c} i \tau_{2} \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{S}_{1}^{\dagger} \mathscr{C}_{L} + \text{ h. c.}$$
$$\mathscr{L}_{V} = \lambda_{LV_{1/2}} \bar{d}_{R}^{c} \gamma_{\mu} \mathscr{C}_{L} V_{1/2}^{\dagger \mu} + \lambda_{LV_{1}} \bar{q}_{L} \gamma_{\mu} \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{V}_{1}^{\dagger \mu} \mathscr{C}_{L} + \text{ h. c.}$$

• result in

$$C_{L}^{ij} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}\alpha G_{F}V_{td}V_{ts}^{*}} \left(\frac{\lambda_{LS_{0}}^{bj}\lambda_{LS_{0}}^{*si}}{2m_{S_{0}}^{2}} + \frac{\lambda_{LS_{1}}^{bj}\lambda_{LS_{1}}^{*si}}{2m_{S_{1}}^{2}} - 2\frac{\lambda_{LV_{1}}^{sj}\lambda_{LV_{1}}^{*bi}}{m_{V_{1}}^{2}} \right),$$

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$$C_{R}^{ij} = C_{9'}^{ij} = -C_{10'}^{ij} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}\alpha G_{F}V_{td}}V_{ts}^{*}} \left(-\frac{\lambda_{LS_{1}}^{sj}\lambda_{LS_{1}}^{*bi}}{2m_{S_{1}}^{2}} + \frac{\lambda_{LV_{1}}^{bj}\lambda_{LV_{1}}^{*si}}{m_{V_{1}}^{2}} \right),$$

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- S_0 also modifies $R_D^{(*)}$ via the induced operator $ar{c}bar{ au}
u^i$

Scanning over $C_L^{ij} - C_R^{ij}$ shows solutions in general

- One LQ at a time
- S_0, S_1, V_1 generate only C_L terms: $R_K^{\nu\nu} = R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu}$
- $S_{1/2}, V_{1/2}$ with only off-diagonal terms also: $R_K^{\nu\nu} = R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu}$



correlations with the B anomalies with C_L

• for the case of S_0 there is a correlation with $r_{D^{(*)}}$

$$r_D = r_{D^*} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{2\pi}\right)^2 \left|\left(C_L^{3,1}\right)^2 + \left|C_L^{3,2}\right|^2\right) + \left|1 - \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}C_L^{3,3}\right|^2$$



- If we take $R_K^{\nu\nu} = R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu} \sim 3.5$ then $r_{D^{(*)}} \leq 1.06$ about 1σ away
- Central value of $r_{D^{(*)}}$ with S_0 would lead to $R_K^{\nu\nu} = R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu} \gtrsim 14$

correlations with the B anomalies with C_{I}

• Recent global fits to $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$ suggest values $C_0^{\mu\mu} \sim C_0^{ee} \leq -1$ with C_{10} somewhat smaller (for both muons and electrons)



 $C_{10} = 0.29 \pm 0.24$

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• for S_1 , V_1 this means minimal effect on $R_{K}^{\nu\nu} = R_{K*}^{\nu\nu}$: $S_1 \implies C_0^{\mu\mu} = -C_{10}^{\mu\mu} = 2C_I^{\mu\mu} \implies R_K^{\nu\nu} = R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu} \lesssim 1.1$ (3) σ below av (new) $V_1 \implies C_9^{\mu\mu} = -C_{10}^{\mu\mu} = \frac{1}{2}C_L^{\mu\mu} \implies R_{K^{(*)}}^{\nu\nu} \leq 1.5$

$S_{1/2}, V_{1/2}$ with both diagonal and off-diagonal terms

These two LQs can reproduce the solution region



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Find the parameters and see if the models are viable

• recall that
$$C_R^{ij} = \frac{1}{2}C_{9'}^{ij} = -\frac{1}{2}C_{10'}^{ij}$$
 affecting $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$

- at least one of the diagonal terms is large (around 10)
- cannot be $C^{ee,\mu\mu}_{\!_R}$ from global fits to $b\to s\ell^+\ell^-$
- the only possibility is then to have a large $C_R^{ au au}$

Only non-zero diagonal term $C_R^{\tau\tau}$

• Scan of C_R^{ij} with $i \neq j$ or i = j = 3 showing solutions in this case and map of solutions to the allowed region of $C_R^{\tau\tau}$ and $C_R^{\mu\tau} = C_R^{\tau\mu}$



Lead to enhanced modes with taus, both LFC and LFV

Current experimental limits $B(B_s \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-) \le 6.8 \times 10^{-3}$ $B(B_s \rightarrow \tau^+ \mu^-) \le 42 \times 10^{-6}$ $B(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau^+ \tau^-) \le 2.25 \times 10^{-3}$ $B(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \tau^+ \mu^-) \le 28 \times 10^{-6}$

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CLFV and $B \to K^{(*)} \nu \bar{\nu}$

LQ	upper bound on $C_{L,R}^{ij}$			$R_K^\nu = R_{K^*}^\nu$		
				μe	e au	μau
$\tilde{S}_{1/2}$	$ C_R^{\mu e} \lesssim 0.4$	$ C_R^{e\tau} \lesssim 26$	$ C_R^{\mu\tau} \lesssim 35$	1.001	6.4	11
S_1	$ C_L^{\mu e} \lesssim 0.2$	$ C_L^{e\tau} \lesssim 13$	$ C_L^{\mu\tau} \lesssim 18$	1.0003	2.4	3.5
$V_{1/2}$	$ C_R^{\mu e} \lesssim 0.4$	$ C_R^{e\tau} \lesssim 26$	$ C_R^{\mu\tau} \lesssim 35$	1.001	6.4	11
V_1^\dagger	$ C_L^{\mu e} \lesssim 0.8$	$ C_L^{e\tau} \lesssim 52$	$ C_L^{\mu\tau} \lesssim 70$	1.005	23	40

- allowing only off-diagonal terms, each LQ produces only C_L or only C_R resulting in $R_K^{\nu\nu} = R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu}$
- The current upper bound from CLFV processes is less restrictive than the bound from $R_K^{\nu\nu}$ except for μe flavours
- This bound for the case of S_1 is comparable to that from $R_K^{\nu\nu}$ but less restrictive than the one from $R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu}$

Mode	90% c.l
$\frac{ }{ \mathcal{B}(B_s \to e^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}) }$	5.4×10^{-9}
$\mathcal{B}(B_s \to \mu^{\pm} \tau^{\mp})$	4.2×10^{-5}
$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ e^- \mu^+)$	6.4×10^{-9}
$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ e^- \tau^+)$	1.5×10^{-5}
$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^+ \mu^- \tau^+)$	2.8×10^{-5}
$\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{B}(B^+ \to K^{*+}e^-\mu^+) \\ \mathcal{B}(D^0 \to K^{*0} \to 0) \end{array}$	9.9×10^{-7}
$\mid \mathcal{B}(B^0 \to K^{*0} e^- \mu^+)$	$ 1.2 \times 10^{-7} $





- in general, this scenario can also reproduce the new result but it is harder to reconcile a high $R_K^{\nu\nu}$ with a low $R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu}$
- in a Z' model B_s mixing limits the allowed parameter space to the blue region, resulting in $R_K^{\nu\nu} \approx R_{K^*}^{\nu\nu}$ and at most 2

New light invisible particles

- mass window to invisible light particles: $m < m_B m_K$
- we assume they are pair-produced (3 body decay)
- we consider spins 0, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1
- Mediators are assumed at the weak scale and integrated out to produce a ϕ LEFT of the form $\mathscr{L} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} C_i O_i$
- we look for an enhancement in $3 \le q^2 \le 7 \,\,{\rm GeV}^2$ as suggested by Belle data
- Propose a UV completion where scalars are dark matter

scalars up to dim 6 that contribute to $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ + invisible$

•
$$\mathcal{O}_{q\phi}^{S,sb} = (\bar{s}b)(\phi^{\dagger}\phi), \quad \mathcal{O}_{q\phi}^{V,sb} = (\bar{s}\gamma^{\mu}b)(\phi^{\dagger}i\partial_{\mu}\phi)$$

$$\text{use } C_{q\phi}^{S,sb} \equiv \Lambda_{\text{eff}}^{-1}, \quad C_{q\phi}^{V,sb} \equiv \Lambda_{\text{eff}}^{-2} \text{ i.e. } \mathscr{L} = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}} \mathcal{O}_{q\phi}^{S,sb} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}^2} \mathcal{O}_{q\phi}^{V,sb}$$

• they both arise at dim 6 in ϕ SMEFT (blue vanishes for real scalar fields), $\frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}} \mathcal{O}_{q\phi}^{S,sb} \in \frac{v}{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}^2} (\bar{q}_{2L} b_R H) (\phi^{\dagger} \phi)$ He, Ma, GV JHEP 03 (2023) 037



fermions: six operators at dim 6

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{O}^{S,sb}_{q\chi 1} = (\bar{s}b)(\bar{\chi}\chi), & \mathcal{O}^{S,sb}_{q\chi 2} = (\bar{s}b)(\bar{\chi}i\gamma_5\chi), \\ \mathcal{O}^{V,sb}_{q\chi 1} = (\bar{s}\gamma^{\mu}b)(\bar{\chi}\gamma_{\mu}\chi), & \mathcal{O}^{V,sb}_{q\chi 2} = (\bar{s}\gamma^{\mu}b)(\bar{\chi}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_5\chi), \\ \mathcal{O}^{T,sb}_{q\chi 1} = (\bar{s}\sigma^{\mu\nu}b)(\bar{\chi}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\chi), & \mathcal{O}^{T,sb}_{q\chi 2} = (\bar{s}\sigma^{\mu\nu}b)(\bar{\chi}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\gamma_5\chi), \end{array}$$

- blue vanishes for Majorana fermions
- green preferred by spectrum



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vectors up to dim 6

vector field formulation

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{O}_{qX}^{S,sb} &= (\bar{s}b)(X_{\mu}^{\dagger}X^{\mu}), \\ \mathcal{O}_{qX1}^{T,sb} &= \frac{i}{2}(\bar{s}\sigma^{\mu\nu}b)(X_{\mu}^{\dagger}X_{\nu} - X_{\nu}^{\dagger}X_{\mu}), \\ \mathcal{O}_{qX2}^{T,sb} &= \frac{1}{2}(\bar{s}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\gamma_{5}b)(X_{\mu}^{\dagger}X_{\nu} - X_{\nu}^{\dagger}X_{\mu}), \\ \mathcal{O}_{qX2}^{T,sb} &= (\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}b)\partial_{\nu}(X^{\mu\dagger}X^{\nu} - X_{\nu}^{\dagger}X_{\mu}), \\ \mathcal{O}_{qX2}^{V,sb} &= (\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}b)\partial_{\nu}(X^{\mu\dagger}X^{\nu} + X^{\nu\dagger}X^{\mu}), \\ \mathcal{O}_{qX2}^{V,sb} &= (\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}b)i\partial_{\nu}(X^{\mu\dagger}X^{\nu} - X^{\nu\dagger}X^{\mu}), \\ \mathcal{O}_{qX2}^{V,sb} &= (\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}b)i\partial_{\nu}(X^{\mu\dagger}X^{\nu} - X^{\nu\dagger}X^{\mu}), \\ \mathcal{O}_{qX2}^{V,sb} &= (\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}b)i\partial_{\nu}(X^{\mu\dagger}X^{\nu} - X^{\nu\dagger}X^{\mu}), \end{split}$$

- operators in blue vanish for real fields
- these operators produce amplitudes that diverge in the massless limit
- this known problem is addressed by assuming that X is a gauge boson, and gauge invariance forbids its direct appearance
- these operators are thus assumed to inherit a coefficient that vanishes for massless X

results with vector operators

 scaling including mass factors to address divergence

$$C_{qX}^{S} \equiv \frac{m^{2}}{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}^{3}}, \quad C_{qX1,2}^{T} \equiv \frac{m^{2}}{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}^{3}}, \quad C_{qX2,4,5}^{V} \equiv \frac{m^{2}}{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}^{4}}, \quad C_{qX3,6}^{V} \equiv \frac{m}{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}^{3}}$$

- Two of the operators, $\mathcal{O}_{qX1}^{T,sb}$, $\mathcal{O}_{qX2}^{T,sb}$, are mostly ruled out by other modes
- Appear disfavoured by shape of spectrum





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affects constraints on NP because BR limits assume the SM spectrum



 q^2 [GeV²]

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mediators and dark matter



- s-channel mediator, hard to explain B_s mixing
- look for t-channel mediator instead

specific t-channel model



Figure 1. Feynman diagrams contributing to the matching to the ϕ SMEFT-like operator $\mathcal{O}_{qdH\phi^2}$ via *t*-channel exchange of the vector-like fermions Q and D. The magenta crosses represent mass insertions.

- introduce two heavy vector-like quarks $Q \sim (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, 1/6), D \sim (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, -1/3)$ (write $Q_R \equiv P_R Q_{\cdots}$)
- and a light scalar field $\phi \sim (\mathbf{1},\mathbf{1,}0)$
- All new fields are odd under a \mathbb{Z}_2 symmetry to stabilise dark matter particle ϕ

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{kinetic}}^{\texttt{NP}} &= \bar{Q}i \not{D}Q - m_Q \bar{Q}Q + \bar{D}i \not{D}D - m_D \bar{D}D + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^2, \\ \mathcal{L}_{\texttt{Yukawa}}^{\texttt{NP}} &= y_q^p \bar{q}_{Lp} Q_R \phi + y_d^p \bar{D}_L d_{Rp} \phi - y_1 \bar{Q}_L D_R H - y_2 \bar{Q}_R D_L H + \text{h.c.}, \\ V_{\texttt{potential}}^{\texttt{NP}} &= \frac{1}{4} \lambda_\phi \phi^4 + \frac{1}{2} \kappa \, \phi^2 H^{\dagger} H \,, \end{split}$$

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· at low energy, this leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathscr{L}_{\phi\phi qq}^{\text{LEFT}} &= \frac{1}{2} C_{d\phi}^{S,ij} (\bar{d}_i d_j) \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_{d\phi}^{P,ij} (\bar{d}_i i \gamma_5 d_j) \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_{u\phi}^{S,ij} (\bar{u}_i u_j) \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_{u\phi}^{P,ij} (\bar{u}_i i \gamma_5 u_j) \phi^2, \\ C_{d\phi}^{S,ij} &= \frac{(y_q^i y_d^j y_1 + y_q^{j*} y_d^{i*} y_1^*) v}{\sqrt{2} m_Q m_D} + \left(\frac{y_q^i y_q^{j*}}{2m_Q^2} + \frac{y_d^{i*} y_d^j}{2m_D^2} \right) (m_{d_i} + m_{d_j}), \quad i C_{d\phi}^{P,ij} &= \frac{(y_q^i y_d^j y_1 - y_q^{j*} y_d^{i*} y_1^*) v}{\sqrt{2} m_Q m_D} - \left(\frac{y_q^i y_q^{j*}}{2m_D^2} - \frac{y_d^{i*} y_d^j}{2m_D^2} \right) (m_{d_i} - m_{d_j}), \\ C_{u\phi}^{S,ij} &= \frac{\tilde{y}_q^i \tilde{y}_q^{j*}}{2m_Q^2} (m_{u_i} + m_{u_j}), \quad i C_{u\phi}^{P,ij} &= -\frac{\tilde{y}_q^i \tilde{y}_q^{j*}}{2m_Q^2} (m_{u_i} - m_{u_j}), \end{aligned}$$

Allowed by Belle II • excess can be explained, Belle II with E.E. 100 Allowed by new ave. i.e. with $\left|C_{d\phi}^{S,sb}\right| \left[10^{-5}\,\mathrm{TeV}^{-1}\right]$ -- $B^0 \to K^0 \phi \phi$ 50 $C_{d\phi}^{S,sb} \sim (3-8)/(10^5 \,\text{TeV})$ for $m_{\phi} = 1 \,\text{GeV}$ $B^+ \to K^{*+} \phi \phi$ $B^0 \to K^{*0} \phi \phi$ $C_{d\phi}^{P,sb}$ $C_{d\phi}^{P,sb}$ 10 5 0.5 0 1.5 2 1 m_{ϕ} [GeV] JHEP 07 (2024) 168

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ϕ as dark matter

- dark matter relic density
 - with a leading order chiral realisation, we can calculate the possible annihilation cross-sections into pions, kaons and etas
 - to produce the correct relic density $\Omega\hbar^2 = 0.12$,

Steigman, Dasgupta, Beacom, 10.1103/PhysRevD.86.023506

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle \simeq 2.4 \times 10^{-26} \frac{\text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}}{(\hbar c)^2 c} = 2.2 \times 10^{-9} \,\text{GeV}^{-2} \,\text{need} \, \frac{C_{d\phi}^{S,ss}}{d\phi} \sim (0.1)/(\text{TeV})$$

- but we also need to avoid direct detection constraints, in particular, those using the Migdal effect for sub-GeV dark matter
- this requires an interplay between different parameters, i.e, introducing $C^{S,dd}_{d\phi}$

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ϕ as dark matter

- to produce the correct relic density $\Omega\hbar^2 = 0.12$, and a compatible excess in $B \to K^{(*)} + \text{invisible}$ we only need $C_{d\phi}^{S,sb}$ and $C_{d\phi}^{S,ss}$ but this scenario is ruled out by Panda X4T (left figure)
- viable models require an interplay between different parameters, one example is shown below (right figure) with $|y_{q,d}^d| \sim 0.2 |y_{q,d}^s|$ implying $|C_{d\phi}^{S,dd}| \sim 0.2 |C_{d\phi}^{S,ds}| \sim 0.04 |C_{d\phi}^{S,ss}|$



thermal average cross-sections

$$\begin{aligned} \mathscr{L}_{\phi P} &\ni \frac{B}{2} \phi^{2} \left\{ C^{S,dd}_{d\phi} \left(\pi^{+} \pi^{-} + \frac{1}{2} \pi^{0} \pi^{0} \right) + C^{S,ss}_{d\phi} K^{+} K^{-} + (C^{S,dd}_{d\phi} + C^{S,ss}_{d\phi}) K^{0} \bar{K}^{0} + (C^{S,dd}_{d\phi} + 4C^{S,ss}_{d\phi}) \frac{1}{6} \eta^{2} + \cdots \right\} \\ &\left\langle \sigma v(\phi \phi \to K^{+} K^{-}, K^{0} \bar{K}^{0}) \right\rangle = \frac{B^{2} \left| C^{S,ss}_{d\phi} \right|^{2} \eta(x, z_{K})}{64 \pi m_{\phi}^{2}} \left\langle \sigma v(\phi \phi \to \eta \eta) \right\rangle = \frac{B^{2} \left| C^{S,ss}_{d\phi} \right|^{2} \eta(x, z_{\eta})}{72 \pi m_{\phi}^{2}} \end{aligned}$$

- $\eta(x, z)$ a function that takes values between 0.5 1.7 in the relevant parameter range and $x \equiv m_{\phi}/T$, $z_{K,\eta} = m_{K,\eta}^2/m_{\phi}^2$
- . direct detection via Migdal effect ($R_{d/s} \equiv C_{d\phi}^{S,dd} / C_{d\phi}^{S,ss}$)

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$$\sigma_{\phi N} = \frac{\mu_{\phi N}^2}{4\pi m_{\phi}^2} \left| \frac{m_N}{m_s} f_{T_s}^{(N)} C_{d\phi}^{S,ss} \right|^2 \left| \left(1 + \frac{m_s}{m_d} \frac{f_{T_d}^{(p)}}{f_{T_s}^{(p)}} R_{d/s} \right) \frac{Z}{A} + \left(1 + \frac{m_s}{m_d} \frac{f_{T_d}^{(n)}}{f_{T_s}^{(n)}} R_{d/s} \right) \frac{A - Z}{A} \right|^2,$$

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$$\approx \frac{\mu_{\phi N}^2}{4\pi m_{\phi}^2} \left| \frac{m_N}{m_s} f_{T_s}^{(N)} C_{d\phi}^{S,ss} \right|^2 \left| \left(1 + 16.84 R_{d/s} \right) \frac{Z}{A} + \left(1 + 24.82 R_{d/s} \right) \frac{A - Z}{A} \right|^2,$$

 $m_s = 93.4 \text{ MeV}, \text{ } \text{m}_{\text{s}}/\text{m}_{\text{d}} \approx 19.5, \qquad m_s = 93.4 \text{ MeV}, \text{ } \text{m}_{\text{s}}/\text{m}_{\text{d}} \approx 19.5,$ $f_{T_s}^{(N)} = 0.044, f_{T_d}^{(p)} = 0.038, f_{T_d}^{(n)} = 0.056 f_{T_s}^{(N)} = 0.044, f_{T_d}^{(p)} = 0.038, f_{T_d}^{(n)} = 0.056$

other constraints

•
$$gg \to H, H \to \gamma\gamma$$

 $\Delta \mathscr{L}_{h \to gg} = -\frac{\operatorname{Re}[y_1 y_2^*] v^2}{m_D m_Q} \left[\frac{\alpha_s}{12\pi} \frac{h}{v} G^A_{\mu\nu} G^{A\mu\nu} \right] - \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \frac{\operatorname{Im}[y_1 y_2^*] v}{2m_D m_Q} h G^A_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{A\mu\nu}$

– with Yukawas of order one and VLQ masses around 3 TeV $v^2/(m_Q m_D) \sim 0.007$

additional flavour constraints

 Can check that with this benchmark parameters the model satisfies constraints from

 $-B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$

. model induces $O^{ij}_{d\gamma}=ar{d}_i\sigma^{\mu
u}P_Rd_jF_{\mu
u}$ with $ilde{C}^{sb}_{d\gamma}$ the same order as $C^{S,sb}_{d\phi}$

. global fits allow $\tilde{C}^{sb}_{d\gamma} \lesssim 260/(10^5\,{\rm TeV})$ and for $B \to K^{(*)}$ + invisible we need $C^{S,sb}_{d\phi} \sim (3-8)/(10^5\,{\rm TeV})$

•
$$B_s - \bar{B}_s, B_d - \bar{B}_d, K - \bar{K}$$
 mixing

• they appear at dim 8, B mixing is fine, K mixing requires a small $C_{d\phi}^{S,ds}$

 $-D \rightarrow \pi \phi \phi, D \rightarrow \phi \phi$ also satisfied by our benchmark parameters

conclusions

- motivated by the recent Belle II result, we explored the NP physics window that could enhance the mode $B^+ \to K^+ + \text{ invisible}$ over the SM $B^+ \to K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$
- at the same time we require consistency with existing 90% c.l upper bounds on the related modes $B \to K^{(*)} \nu \bar{\nu}$ and $B^0 \to K^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$
- we also consider correlations with charged lepton modes
- neutrino LFV couplings with only LH neutrinos can reproduce the rates for these modes
 - when induced by a single LQ exchange, $S_{1/2},\,V_{1/2}$ can reproduce the rates provided at least one LF diagonal coupling is $\,\sim\,10$
 - the $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$ global fits rule out this possibility for $e^+e^-, \ \mu^+\mu^-$ modes
 - This solution results in enhanced modes with taus that can be probed experimentally.

conclusions continued

- pairs of new invisible scalars, vectors or fermions
 - we constructed the lowest dimension ϕ LEFT for these three cases and selected the operators relevant to these modes
 - there are viable regions of parameter space to explain the desired pattern in $B\to K^{(*)}\nu\bar\nu$ rates for all three cases
 - matching the q^2 spectrum from Belle II narrows the list of possibilities
- a t-channel mediator model with two VLQ was used to illustrate that a pair of light scalars enhancing $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ +$ invisible is viable
 - the scalar also satisfies annihilation constraints to produce the correct relic density
 - there is viable parameter space to simultaneousl avoid direct detection constraints including via Mignal effect