

# Coulomb corrections in rare decays of neutral $B$ mesons with $\ell^+\ell^-$ -pair in final state

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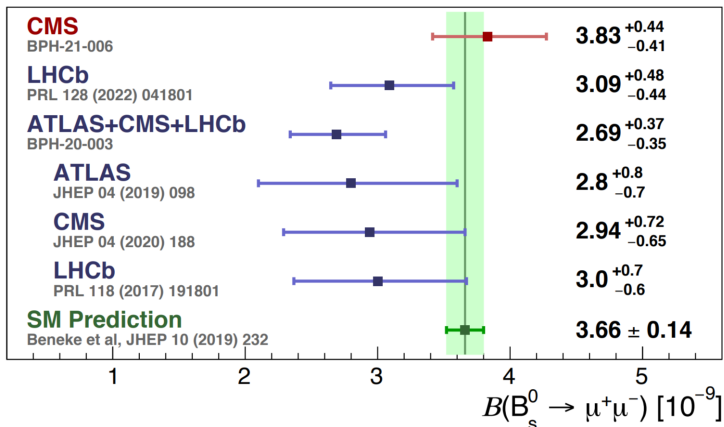
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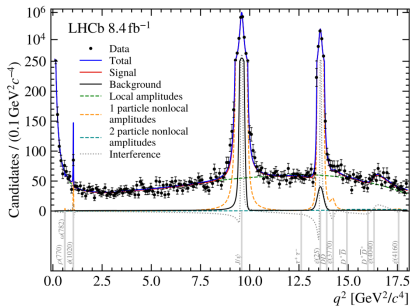
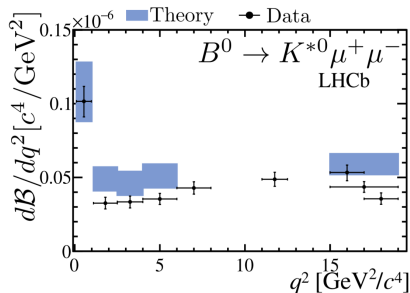
# Experimental data



The partial decay width of  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ , measured in various experiments, as well as the averaged predictions of the Standard Model

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Differential decay width of  $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$  - predictions of the Standard Model, experimental values.

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## Lepton Flavor Universality

$$R_K = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ e^+ e^-)}.$$

Numerical values:

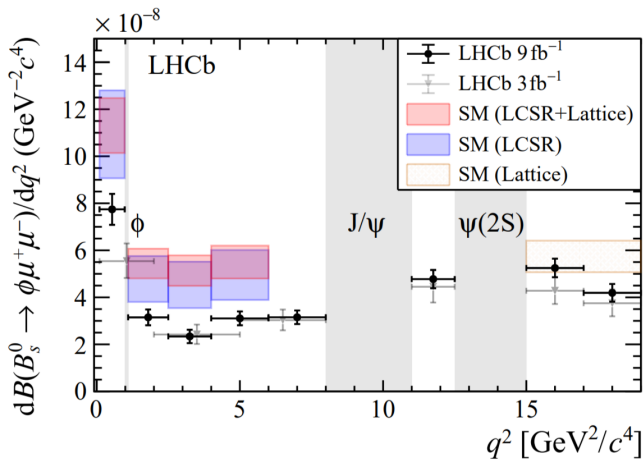
$$R_K = 0.745_{-0.074}^{+0.090} \pm 0.036 \quad (\text{LHCb 2014, } 2.6\sigma)$$

$$R_K = 0.685_{-0.069}^{+0.113} \pm 0.047 \quad (\text{LHCb 2014, } 3.1\sigma)$$

$$R_K = 0.949 \pm 0.042 \quad (\text{LHCb 2022})$$

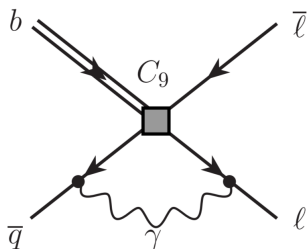
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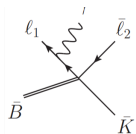
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## Structure-dependent QED corrections

- Power enhancement: QED correction  $\sim m_b/\Lambda \cdot \alpha_e/4\pi$ .
- Arises from virtual photon exchange between soft spectator quark and final muons.
- Involves  $B$ -meson LCDA  $\phi_+(\omega)$ , not only  $f_{B_q}$ .
- Two-step SCET: hard scale ( $m_b$ )  $\rightarrow$  hard-collinear scale ( $\sqrt{m_b\Lambda}$ ).



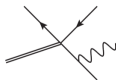
$L_1$



$L_2$



$P$



$K_\gamma$



$B_\gamma$

## Structure-independent QED corrections

- For  $B \rightarrow K l^+ l^-$  decays, these corrections were evaluated using the slicing method
- Soft and hard-collinear photon radiation is accounted for at the double-differential level.
- Mesons are treated as point-like particles.

G. Isidori et al. JHEP 12 (2020) 104

## IR-finite decay rate

- Only a suitably defined decay rate is IR-finite:

$$\Gamma = \Gamma_{\text{non-rad}} + \sum_{\gamma} \Gamma_{\gamma} \theta(\Delta E - \sum E_{\gamma})$$

- Non-radiative part includes virtual corrections; the sum over  $\gamma$  accounts for real undetected photons with  $E_{\gamma} < \Delta E$ .
- Soft-photon emission from final-state leptons is simulated with PHOTOS.
- The experimental branching fraction is interpreted as the non-radiative one.

A. J. Buras et. al. Eur. Phys. J. C 72, 2172 (2012), 1208.0934.

## Soft photon QED correction

$$\mathcal{K}_{QED} = \frac{d\Gamma(QED)}{d\Gamma(free)} = \mathcal{K}_{soft} \cdot \mathcal{K}_C \cdot \left[ 1 - \frac{\alpha}{\pi} (F + H^{IR}) \right], \text{ where} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathcal{K}_{soft} = \left( \frac{2\Delta E}{M} \right)^{\frac{2\alpha_{em}}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{4v} \ln\left(\frac{1+v}{1-v}\right)}; \quad \mathcal{K}_C = \frac{2\pi\alpha_{em}/v}{1 - e^{-2\pi\alpha_{em}/v}}$$

where  $v = v_{rel} = \frac{\sqrt{1-4m^2/s}}{1-2m^2/s}$  is the relative velocity of the final-state charged.

$(F + H^{IR}) \sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha_{em}/\pi) \sim 0.2\%$  so it can be safely neglected.

A. Arbuzov and T. Kopylova, JHEP 04, 009 (2012), 1111.4308.

G. Isidori, Eur. Phys. J. C 53, 567 (2008), 0709.2439.

## Why Coulomb?

- PHOTOS models real soft radiation  $\mathcal{K}_{soft}$  but does not include the Coulomb interaction  $\mathcal{K}_C$  between charged final-state particles.
- Existing QED corrections for leptonic decays of neutral  $B$  mesons omit the Coulomb effect.
- Exceptions:  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$  and inclusive  $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$ .

S. Cali et al. Eur. Phys. J. C 79, 744 (2019), 1905.02702.

D. Bigi et al. JHEP 11, 163 (2023), 2309.02849.

Coulomb interaction in  $B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$ .

# Coulomb interaction in $B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$

Decay	$\mathcal{B}^{(exp)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(free)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(Coulomb)}$	$\Delta\mathcal{K}_C$
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-9}]$	$3.83_{-0.41}^{+0.44}$	$3.66 \pm 0.14$	$3.75 \pm 0.14$	2.3%
$B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-11}]$	$< 19$ (95% CL)	$1.03 \pm 0.05$	$1.05 \pm 0.05$	2.3%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^- [10^{-14}]$	$< 9.4 \cdot 10^5$ (95% CL)	$8.60 \pm 0.36$	$8.79 \pm 0.37$	2.3%
$B^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^- [10^{-15}]$	$< 3.0 \cdot 10^6$ (95% CL)	$2.41 \pm 0.13$	$2.47 \pm 0.13$	2.3%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-7}]$	$< 6.8 \cdot 10^6$ (95% CL)	$6.94 \pm 1.88$	$7.11 \pm 1.93$	2.4%
$B^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-8}]$	$< 2.1 \cdot 10^7$ (95% CL)	$1.99 \pm 0.22$	$2.04 \pm 0.23$	2.4%

**Table:** Comparison of experimental data (CMS 2021, PDG), theoretical SM predictions without Coulomb interaction (Beneke), and predictions including this interaction.  $\Delta\mathcal{K}_C \equiv \mathcal{K}_C - 1$ .

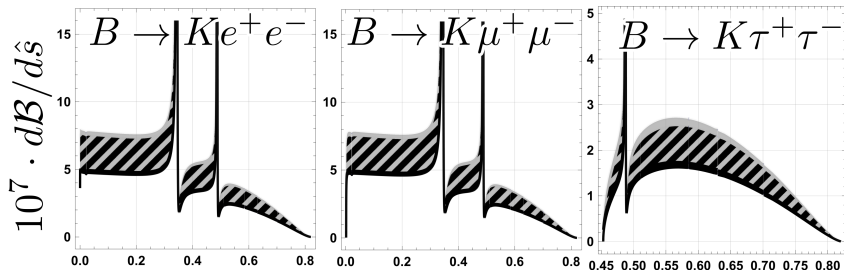
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Decay	$\mathcal{K}_C$	$\mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}}$ (0.05 GeV)	$\mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}}$ (0.1 GeV)	$\mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}}$ (0.5 GeV)
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0231	0.9514	0.9635	0.9922
$B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0231	0.9520	0.9640	0.9926
$B_s^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-$	1.0231	0.8648	0.8905	0.9531
$B^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-$	1.0231	0.8611	0.8874	0.9517
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0241	1.0051	1.0084	1.0160
$B^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0242	1.0056	1.0088	1.0163

**Table:** Full QED factors  $\mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}} = \mathcal{K}_{\text{soft}} \cdot \mathcal{K}_C$  for the decays  $B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$  at different soft photon energy cutoffs  $\Delta E = \{0.05, 0.1, 0.5\}$  GeV.

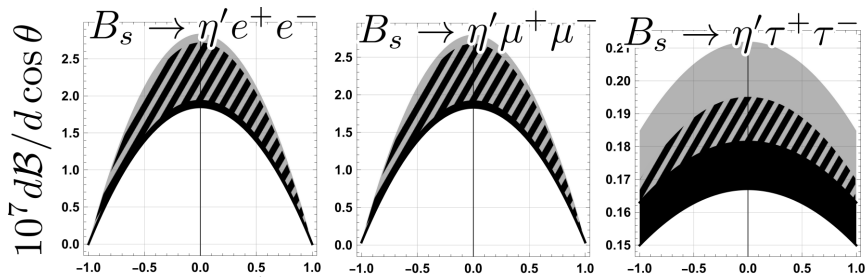
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# Coulomb interaction in $B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow h^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$



$10^7 \cdot dB/d \cos \theta$  as a function of  $\cos \theta$ , where  $\theta = \angle(\mathbf{p}_{\ell^+}, \mathbf{p}_K)$  in the rest frame of the lepton pair

$$\langle \mathcal{K}_C \rangle = \frac{\int \frac{d\mathcal{B}^{(\text{Coulomb})}}{d\hat{s}} d\hat{s}}{\int \frac{d\mathcal{B}^{(\text{free})}}{d\hat{s}} d\hat{s}} = \frac{\int \frac{d\mathcal{B}^{(\text{free})}}{d\hat{s}} \cdot \mathcal{K}_C(\hat{s}) d\hat{s}}{\int \frac{d\mathcal{B}^{(\text{free})}}{d\hat{s}} d\hat{s}}.$$

$$\langle \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}} \rangle = \frac{\int \frac{d\mathcal{B}^{(\text{Coulomb+soft})}}{d\hat{s}} d\hat{s}}{\int \frac{d\mathcal{B}^{(\text{free})}}{d\hat{s}} d\hat{s}} = \frac{\int \frac{d\mathcal{B}^{(\text{free})}}{d\hat{s}} \cdot \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}}(\hat{s}) d\hat{s}}{\int \frac{d\mathcal{B}^{(\text{free})}}{d\hat{s}} d\hat{s}}.$$

$$\Delta \langle \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}(C)} \rangle = 1 - \langle \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}(C)} \rangle$$

# Coulomb interaction in $B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow h^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$

	$\mathcal{B}^{(exp)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(free)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(Coulomb)}$	$\Delta\langle\mathcal{K}_C\rangle$
$B^0 \rightarrow K^0 e^+ e^- [10^{-7}]$	$2.5^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$	$3.34 \pm 0.37$	$3.42 \pm 0.39$	2.3%
$B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-7}]$	$3.39 \pm 0.35$	$3.33 \pm 0.38$	$3.41 \pm 0.38$	2.3%
$B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-8}]$	-	$5.0 \pm 2.1$	$5.18 \pm 2.2$	3.3%
$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^- [10^{-8}]$	$< 8.4$	$1.17 \pm 0.3$	$1.19 \pm 0.3$	2.3%
$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-8}]$	$< 6.9$	$1.16 \pm 0.3$	$1.19 \pm 0.3$	2.3%
$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-9}]$	-	$3.05 \pm 0.73$	$3.15 \pm 0.76$	3.0%

	$\mathcal{B}^{(exp)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(free)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(Coulomb)}$	$\Delta\langle\mathcal{K}_C\rangle$
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta e^+ e^- [10^{-7}]$	—	$4.12 \pm 0.79$	$4.22 \pm 0.80$	2.3%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-7}]$	—	$4.11 \pm 0.79$	$4.21 \pm 0.80$	2.4%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-8}]$	—	$7.04 \pm 1.2$	$7.28 \pm 1.3$	3.3%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta' e^+ e^- [10^{-7}]$	—	$3.04 \pm 0.58$	$3.11 \pm 0.59$	2.3%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta' \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-7}]$	—	$3.03 \pm 0.58$	$3.10 \pm 0.59$	2.3%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta' \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-8}]$	—	$2.37 \pm 0.36$	$2.47 \pm 0.38$	<b>3.9%</b>
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^0 e^+ e^- [10^{-8}]$	—	$1.35 \pm 0.34$	$1.38 \pm 0.35$	2.3%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^0 \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-8}]$	—	$1.34 \pm 0.34$	$1.37 \pm 0.35$	2.4%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^0 \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-9}]$	—	$2.55 \pm 0.59$	$2.64 \pm 0.62$	3.3%

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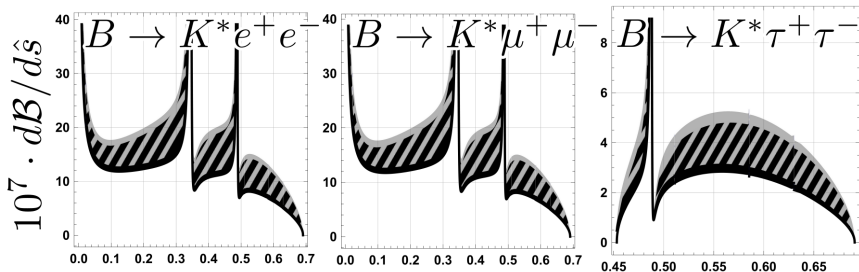
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$B^0 \rightarrow K^0 e^+ e^-$	1.0233	0.8754	0.8996	0.9584
$B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0233	0.9657	0.9755	0.9987
$B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0334	1.0206	1.0228	1.0280
$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$	1.0233	0.8735	0.8980	0.9575
$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0233	0.9636	0.9738	0.9978
$B^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0303	1.0164	1.0188	1.0245
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta e^+ e^-$	1.0233	0.8743	0.8986	0.9575
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0233	0.9649	0.9748	0.9982
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0331	1.0201	1.0223	1.0276

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$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta' e^+ e^-$	1.0233	0.8761	0.9000	0.9583
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta' \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0233	0.9667	0.9763	0.9990
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta' \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0385	1.0266	1.0286	1.0334
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^0 e^+ e^-$	1.0233	0.8739	0.8982	0.9574
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0233	0.9645	0.9745	0.9980
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^0 \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0326	1.0194	1.0217	1.0270

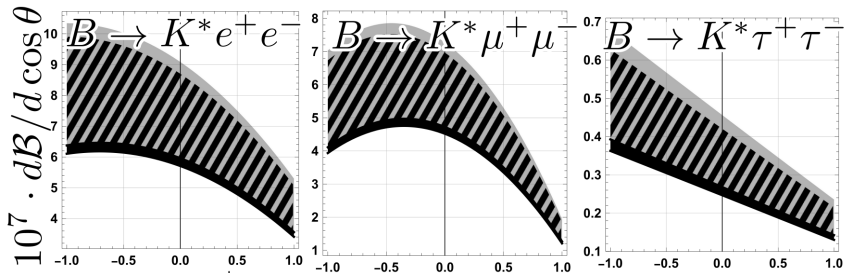
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$10^7 \cdot dB/d \cos \theta$  as a function of  $\cos \theta$ , where  $\theta = \angle(\mathbf{p}_{\ell^+}, \mathbf{p}_K)$  in the rest frame of the lepton pair

# Coulomb interaction in $B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow V^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$

	$\mathcal{B}^{(exp)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(free)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(Coulomb)}$	$\Delta \langle \mathcal{K}_C \rangle$
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} e^+ e^- [10^{-6}]$	$1.19 \pm \pm 0.20$	$1.36 \pm 0.15$	$1.40 \pm 0.15$	2.4%
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-6}]$	$1.06 \pm \pm 0.09$	$0.94 \pm 0.11$	$1.02 \pm 0.11$	2.4%
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-8}]$	—	$6.67 \pm 0.87$	$6.92 \pm 0.90$	3.7%
$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 e^+ e^- [10^{-6}]$	—	$1.07 \pm 0.18$	$1.10 \pm 0.19$	2.4%
$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-7}]$	—	$8.9 \pm 1.6$	$9.1 \pm 1.7$	2.4%
$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-7}]$	—	$1.05 \pm 0.19$	$1.09 \pm 0.20$	3.4%

	$\mathcal{B}^{(exp)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(free)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(Coulomb)}$	$\Delta\langle\mathcal{K}_C\rangle$
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi e^+ e^- [10^{-6}]$	—	$1.52 \pm 0.17$	$1.56 \pm 0.17$	2.4%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-6}]$	$0.84 \pm \pm 0.4$	$1.15 \pm 0.14$	$1.18 \pm 0.15$	2.4%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-8}]$	—	$8.11 \pm 0.10$	$8.41 \pm 0.11$	3.8%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} e^+ e^- [10^{-8}]$	—	$5.56 \pm 0.65$	$5.69 \pm 0.67$	2.4%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-8}]$	$2.9 \pm \pm 1.1$	$4.42 \pm 0.56$	$4.53 \pm 0.57$	2.4%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-9}]$	—	$4.30 \pm 0.50$	$4.45 \pm 0.52$	3.5%

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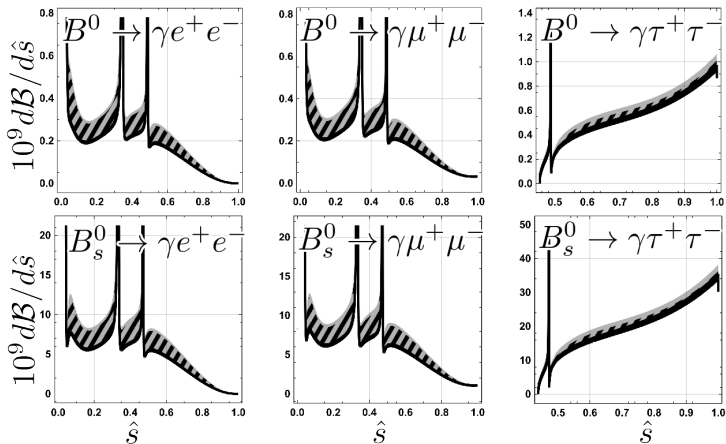
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$B^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} e^+ e^-$	1.0233	0.8989	0.9194	0.9690
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0234	0.9676	0.9771	0.9996
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0366	1.0244	1.0265	1.0315
$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 e^+ e^-$	1.0234	0.9134	0.9315	0.9754
$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0235	0.9696	0.9788	1.0005
$B^0 \rightarrow \rho^0 \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0338	1.0212	1.0234	1.0285

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$B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi e^+ e^-$	1.0234	0.9207	0.9377	0.9785
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0236	0.9728	0.9815	1.0018
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0370	1.0249	1.0270	1.0319
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} e^+ e^-$	1.0234	0.9167	0.9342	0.9767
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0235	0.9712	0.9801	1.0011
$B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.0352	1.0227	1.0248	1.0299

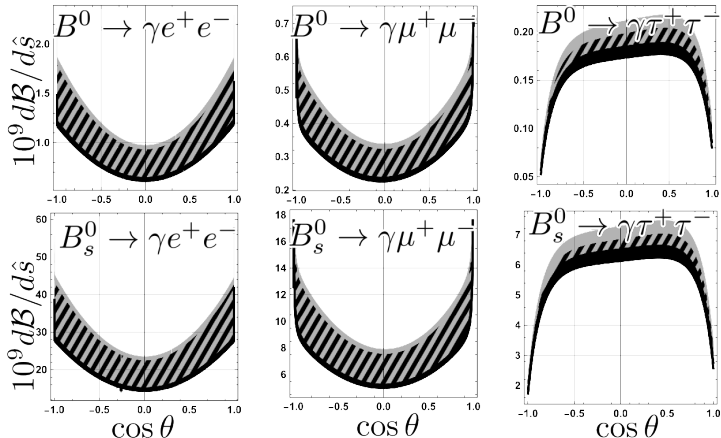
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$10^9 \cdot \frac{dB}{d \cos \theta}$  as a function of  $\cos \theta$ , where  $\theta = \angle(\mathbf{p}_{\ell^+}, \mathbf{p}_{\gamma})$  in the rest frame of the lepton pair

$q^2 \in [1, 6] \text{ GeV}^2$	$\mathcal{B}^{(exp)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(free)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(Coulomb)}$	$\langle \mathcal{K}_C \rangle$
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^- [10^{-9}]$	—	$2.97 \pm 0.49$	$3.04 \pm 0.50$	2.4%
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-9}]$	$< 119$ at 90% CL	$3.03 \pm 0.50$	$3.10 \pm 0.50$	2.4%
$B^0 \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^- [10^{-12}]$	—	$5.09 \pm 0.59$	$5.21 \pm 0.61$	2.3%
$B^0 \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^- [10^{-12}]$	—	$5.31 \pm 0.57$	$5.43 \pm 0.58$	2.3%
$q^2 \in [4m_\tau^2, M_{B_{d,s}}^2]$	$\mathcal{B}^{(exp)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(free)}$	$\mathcal{B}^{(Coulomb)}$	$\langle \mathcal{K}_C \rangle$
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \gamma \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-9}]$	—	$1.13 \pm 0.30$	$1.16 \pm 0.31$	2.7%
$B^0 \rightarrow \gamma \tau^+ \tau^- [10^{-11}]$	—	$3.10 \pm 0.93$	$3.19 \pm 0.95$	2.7%

$q^2 \in [1, 6] \text{ GeV}^2$	$\langle \mathcal{K}_C \rangle$	$\langle \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}} \rangle$ (0.05 GeV)	$\langle \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}} \rangle$ (0.1 GeV)	$\langle \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}} \rangle$ (0.5 GeV)
$B^0 \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$	1.023	0.881	0.905	0.961
$B^0 \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.023	0.972	0.981	1.002
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$	1.023	0.889	0.911	0.964
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.023	0.981	0.988	1.005
$q^2 \in [4m_\tau^2, M_{B_{d,s}}^2]$	$\langle \mathcal{K}_C \rangle$	$\langle \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}} \rangle$ (0.05 GeV)	$\langle \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}} \rangle$ (0.1 GeV)	$\langle \mathcal{K}_{\text{QED}} \rangle$ (0.5 GeV)
$B^0 \rightarrow \gamma \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.027	1.012	1.015	1.021
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \gamma \tau^+ \tau^-$	1.027	1.011	1.014	1.020

# Conclusions: Coulomb correction in rare $B$ decays

- Coulomb interaction between final charged particles matters for high-precision flavour physics because the Coulomb correction is not limited to the threshold region; it operates also in the relativistic regime.
- It has been computed for:
  - Leptonic  $B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^-$ ;
  - Semileptonic  $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \{K^0, \pi^0, \eta^{(\prime)}, K^{0*}, \rho^0, \phi\} l^+ l^-$ ;
  - Radiative  $B^0 \rightarrow \gamma l^+ l^-$ .
- Impact on discrepancy  $\delta = |\text{Th} - \text{Exp}|/\text{Exp}$  (%) with experimental errors:

Decay	$\delta_{\text{before}}$	$\delta_{\text{after}}$	Exp. error
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	5%	2%	11%
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \mu^+ \mu^-$	11%	4%	8%
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} e^+ e^-$	14%	17%	17%
$B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.7%	0.5%	10%

- For  $\tau^+ \tau^-$  modes (e.g.  $\eta', \phi$ ) the correction reaches  $\sim 4\%$  – a relevant systematic effect for future high-precision experiments.

Thank You for Your Attention!