

Study of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^*(\rightarrow KN)\ell^+\ell^-$ decay

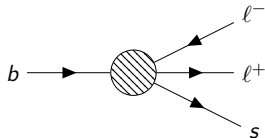
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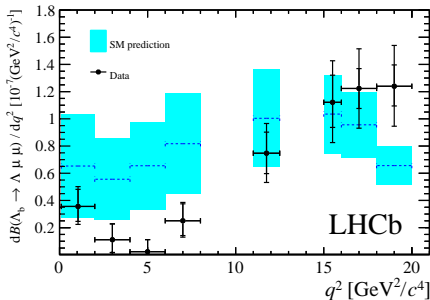
$b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$ transition



- Studies have shown a consistent pattern of deviations from the SM
- Several studies have been done for this transition on the meson side.

LHCb also able to test Λ_b decays, in particular $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda \mu \mu$

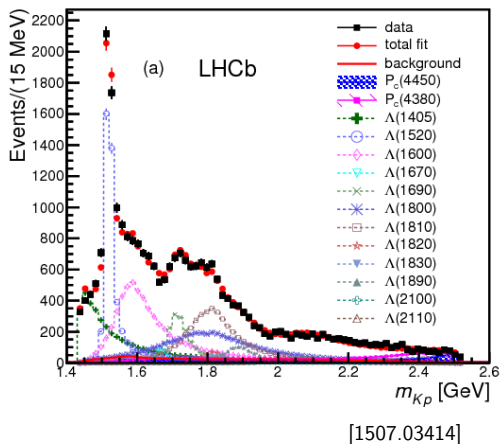
- $\Lambda(1115)$ is the simplest baryonic decay to include $b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$ transition
- $J^P = 1/2^+$
- Decays mainly into $N\pi$ through weak interaction



[1503.07138]

$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^* \ell^+ \ell^-$$

Why not try to test for other baryonic decays ?



- $\Lambda^*(1520)$ is dominant at $q_{\ell\ell}^2 = m_{J/\psi}^2$ according to LHCb study on $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu\mu)K\rho$
- $J^P = 3/2^-$
- We will consider the decay into $\bar{K}N$ through strong interaction (which is the most accessible experimentally)

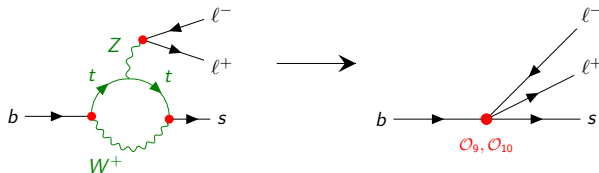
$b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$: Effective Hamiltonian

Local operator effective theory for $b \rightarrow s$ transitions. Non-local high energy processes are reduced to local operators as in Fermi Theory.

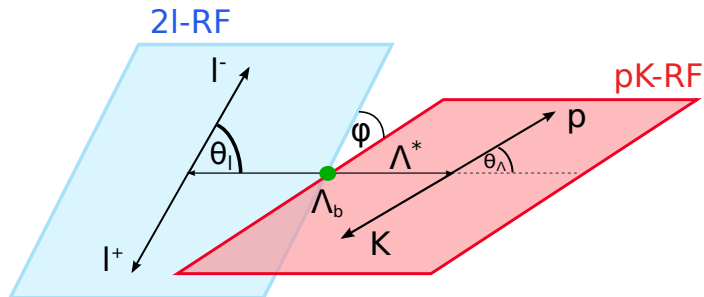
$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}(b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-) = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb}V_{ts}^* \sum_i C_i \mathcal{O}_i$$

$$\mathcal{O}_7 = \frac{e}{g^2} m_b (\bar{s}\sigma_{\mu\nu} P_R b) F^{\mu\nu} \quad \mathcal{O}_9 = \frac{e^2}{g^2} (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_L b) (\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \ell) \quad \mathcal{O}_{10} = \frac{e^2}{g^2} (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_L b) (\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \ell)$$

- Wilson coefficients (C_i) contain short distance dynamics.
- They are accurately computed in SM and would deviate in presence of NP.
- For our analysis we will allow NP in $\mathcal{O}_7, \mathcal{O}_9, \mathcal{O}_{10}$ and chirally flipped operators



Kinematics of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^*(\rightarrow Kp)l^+l^-$

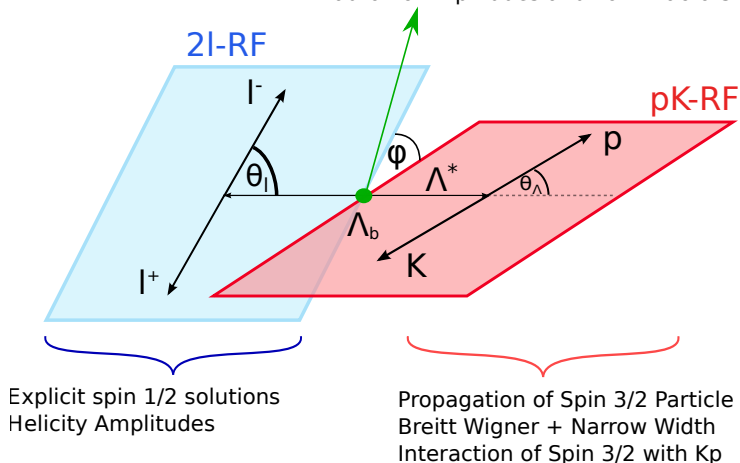


$$\Lambda_b(p, s_\Lambda) \rightarrow \Lambda^*(k, s_{\Lambda^*})[\rightarrow K(k_1)p(k_2, s_p)]l^+(q_1)l^-(q_2)$$

$$q \equiv q_1 + q_2 = p - k$$

Kinematics of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^*(\rightarrow Kp)e^+e^-$

Effective Hamiltonian Formalism
 Helicity Amplitudes
 Hadronic Amplitudes and Form Factors



Outline of the calculations

We separate the decay into different steps

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^*(\rightarrow Kp)\ell^+\ell^-) &= \langle \Lambda^*(\rightarrow Kp)\ell^+\ell^- | \mathcal{H}_{int} | \Lambda_b \rangle \\ &= \sum_{s_{\Lambda^*}} \frac{\langle Kp | \mathcal{H}_{int}^{3/2} | \Lambda^*(s_{\Lambda^*}) \rangle \langle \Lambda^*(s_{\Lambda^*})\ell^+\ell^- | \mathcal{H}_{eff} | \Lambda_b \rangle}{k^2 - m_{\Lambda^*}^2 + im_{\Lambda^*}\Gamma_{\Lambda^*}}\end{aligned}$$

- **Step 1:** Separation of hadronic and leptonic parts using the helicity amplitude approach
- **Step 2:** Expression of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^*$ transition in terms of form factors
- **Step 3:** Propagation of the Λ^* and Breit Wigner + Narrow Width Approximation

$$\frac{1}{|k^2 - m_{\Lambda^*}^2 + im_{\Lambda^*}\Gamma_{\Lambda^*}|^2} \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{m_{\Lambda^*}\Gamma_{\Lambda^*}} \delta(k^2 - m_{\Lambda^*}^2)$$

- **Step 4:** $\Lambda^* \rightarrow Kp$ decay (Effective Lagrangian and explicit solutions U_α for Λ^*)

Helicity Amplitudes

Separate the hadronic and leptonic parts

$$\langle \Lambda^* \ell^+ \ell^- | \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} | \Lambda_b \rangle = \sum_{X=V,A,T,T5} \mathcal{C}_X H^X [\bar{u}_{\ell^-} J^X v_{\ell^+}]$$

The helicity amplitude approach is particularly convenient in this case (Lorentz invariance, physical interpretation in chain decays)

$$H_m^V(s_{\Lambda_b}, s_{\Lambda^*}) \equiv \varepsilon_\mu^*(m) \langle \Lambda^*(k, s_{\Lambda^*}) | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu b | \Lambda_b(p, s_{\Lambda_b}) \rangle$$

$$L_m^V(s_{\ell^+}, s_{\ell^-}) \equiv \varepsilon_\mu(m) \bar{v}_{\ell^-} \gamma^\mu u_{\ell^+}$$

$$m \in \{0, +, -, t\}$$

$$\langle \Lambda^* \ell^- \ell^+ | \bar{\ell} \gamma_\mu \ell \bar{s} \gamma^\mu b | \Lambda_b \rangle = \sum_m L_m^V(s_{\ell^+}, s_{\ell^-}) H_m^V(s_{\Lambda_b}, s_{\Lambda^*})$$

They are frame independent, thus we can obtain the hadronic and leptonic amplitudes each on the simplest frame.

Hadronic Amplitudes

- Written as a function of form factors and all the tensors available.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \Lambda^* | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu b | \Lambda_b \rangle &= \bar{U}_\alpha(k, s_{\Lambda^*}) \left\{ p^\alpha \left[F_1 p^\mu + F_2 k^\mu + F_3 \gamma^\mu \right] + F_4 g^{\alpha\mu} \right\} u(p, s_{\Lambda_b}) \\
 \langle \Lambda^* | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu b | \Lambda_b \rangle &= \bar{U}_\alpha(k, s_{\Lambda^*}) \left\{ p^\alpha \left[f_t^V(q^2) (M_{\Lambda_b} - m_{\Lambda^*}) \frac{q^\mu}{q^2} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad + f_0^V(q^2) \frac{M_{\Lambda_b} + m_{\Lambda^*}}{s_+} (p^\mu + k^\mu - \frac{q^\mu}{q^2} (M_{\Lambda_b}^2 - m_{\Lambda^*}^2)) \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + f_\perp^V(q^2) (\gamma^\mu - 2 \frac{m_{\Lambda^*}}{s_+} p^\mu - 2 \frac{M_{\Lambda_b}}{s_+} k^\mu) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f_g^V(q^2) \left[g^{\alpha\mu} - p^\alpha \frac{q^\mu}{q^2} - C p^\alpha (p^\mu + k^\mu - \frac{q^\mu}{q^2} (M_{\Lambda_b}^2 - m_{\Lambda^*}^2)) \right] \right\} u(p, s_{\Lambda_b})
 \end{aligned}$$

- Form factors are generally determined via non perturbative QCD (Lattice QCD, Sum Rules)
- Only preliminary results on the form factors for $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^* \ell^+ \ell^-$ are available from lattice simulations [1608.08110] so we use a quark model from [1108.6129] to test our results

Transversity Amplitudes

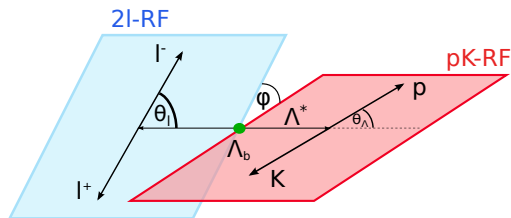
Combining all the elements together, the primary decay $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^* \ell^+ \ell^-$ is described by 12 transversity amplitudes

$$TA = \left\{ B_{\perp 1}^{L(R)}, B_{\parallel 1}^{L(R)}, A_{\perp 1}^{L(R)}, A_{\parallel 1}^{L(R)}, A_{\perp 0}^{L(R)}, A_{\parallel 0}^{L(R)} \right\}$$
$$B_{\perp 1}^{L(R)} \propto \left(C_{9,10,+}^{L(R)} H_+^V(-1/2, -3/2) - \frac{2m_b(C_7 + C_{7'})}{q^2} H_+^T(-1/2, -3/2) \right)$$
$$A_{\parallel 0}^{L(R)} \propto \left(C_{9,10,-}^{L(R)} H_0^A(+1/2, +1/2) + \frac{2m_b(C_7 - C_{7'})}{q^2} H_0^{T5}(+1/2, +1/2) \right)$$
$$\vdots$$
$$C_{9,10,+}^{L(R)} = (C_9 \mp C_{10}) + (C_{9'} \mp C_{10'}) \quad C_{9,10,-}^{L(R)} = (C_9 \mp C_{10}) - (C_{9'} \mp C_{10'})$$

And their normalization is such that

$$\frac{d\Gamma(\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^* \ell^+ \ell^-)}{dq^2} = \sum_{X \in TA} |X|^2$$

Angular Observables



$$\frac{d^4\Gamma(\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^*(\rightarrow Kp)\ell^+\ell^-)}{dq^2 d \cos \theta_\ell d \cos \theta_\Lambda d\phi} = \frac{3}{8\pi} K(q^2, \theta_\ell, \theta_\Lambda, \phi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} K(q^2, \theta_\ell, \theta_\Lambda, \phi) = & \cos^2 \theta_\Lambda (K_{1c} \cos \theta_\ell + K_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + K_{1ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell) \\ & + \sin^2 \theta_\Lambda (K_{2c} \cos \theta_\ell + K_{2cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell + K_{2ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell) \\ & + \sin^2 \theta_\Lambda (K_{3ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell \cos^2 \phi + K_{4ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell \sin \phi \cos \phi) \\ & + \sin \theta_\Lambda \cos \theta_\Lambda \cos \phi (K_{5s} \sin \theta_\ell + K_{5sc} \sin \theta_\ell \cos \theta_\ell) \\ & + \sin \theta_\Lambda \cos \theta_\Lambda \sin \phi (K_{6s} \sin \theta_\ell + K_{6sc} \sin \theta_\ell \cos \theta_\ell) \end{aligned}$$

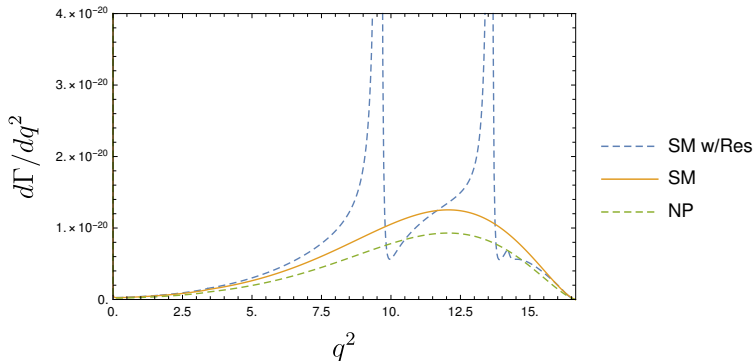
Where the K_{xx} are interferences of the transversity amplitudes.

Simple Observables

- We compare SM observables with the following NP scenario for illustration.

$$C_9 = C_{9SM} + C_{9NP} \quad C_{10} = C_{10SM} + C_{10NP} \quad C_{9NP} = -C_{10NP} = -0.62 \quad [1704.05340]$$

- Differential decay width

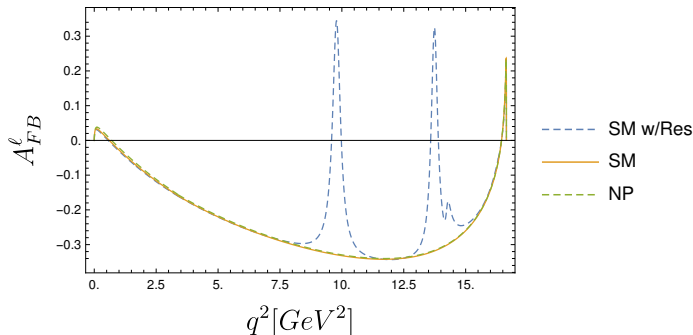


$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} = \frac{1}{3}(K_{1cc} + 2(K_{1ss} + K_{2cc} + 2K_{2ss} + K_{3ss}))$$

Simple Observables

- Forward-Backward asymmetry for the leptonic scattering angle

$$A_{FB}^{\ell} = \frac{3(K_{1c} + 2K_{2c})}{2(K_{1cc} + 2(K_{1ss} + K_{2cc} + 2K_{2ss} + K_{3ss}))}$$

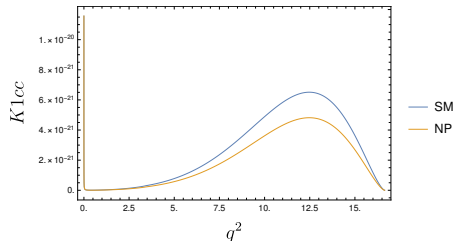
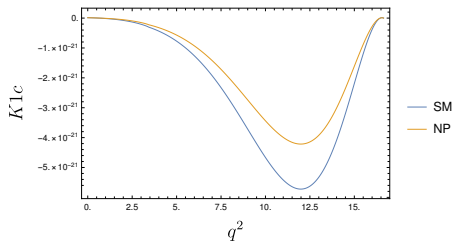


- Baryonic and combined Forward-backward asymmetry

$$A_{FB}^{\Lambda} = 0 \quad A_{FB}^{\ell\Lambda} = 0$$

Simple Observables

- K_i observables

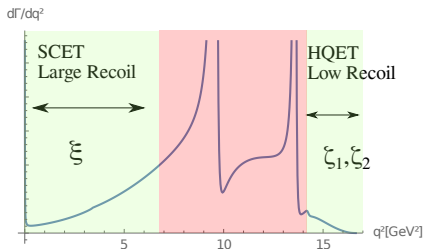


- CP-averages and CP-assymetry

$$S_i = \frac{K_i + \bar{K}_i}{d(\Gamma + \bar{\Gamma})/dq^2} \quad A_i = \frac{K_i - \bar{K}_i}{d(\Gamma + \bar{\Gamma})/dq^2}$$

Low- and large- recoil limits (HQET and SCET)

- SCET and HQET approximations reduce the number of form factors on leading order ($\mathcal{O}\left(\alpha_s, \frac{\Lambda_{QCD}}{m_b}\right)$):



- SCET \rightarrow 1 Form factor (ξ)
- HQET \rightarrow 2 Form factor (ζ_1, ζ_2)

- Corrections on $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ are computable and they don't affect the amount of form factors.
- Corrections on $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}}{m_b}\right)$ will add new form factors to consider.
- These limits can be used to identify combinations of angular observables with smaller hadronic uncertainties

Conclusions

- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^* \ell^+ \ell^-$ is an other way to test $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$ and exploit LHCb data
- We're still studying which observables could be of interest and trying to build more complex observables with enhanced sensitivity to NP
- We hope to stimulate the study of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^* \ell^+ \ell^-$ on LHCb and by Lattice QCD people
- Hoping to publish soon

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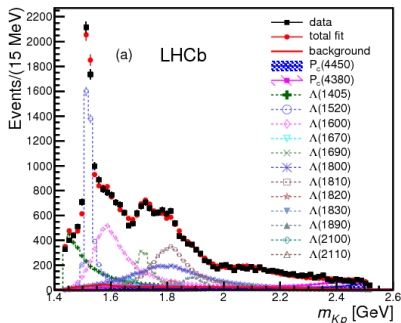
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Back up

Separating the different $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK\ell^+\ell^-$ signals



[1507.03414]

$$\Lambda(1115) \longrightarrow 1/2^+$$

$$\Lambda(1405) \longrightarrow 1/2^-$$

$$\Lambda(1520) \longrightarrow 3/2^-$$

$$\Lambda(1600) \longrightarrow 1/2^+$$

$$\Lambda(1670) \longrightarrow 1/2^-$$

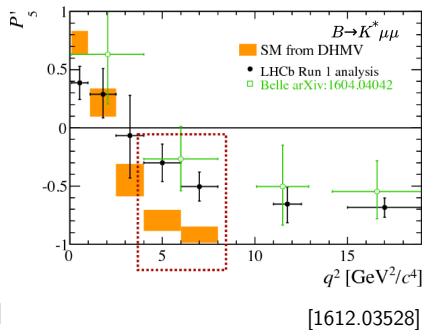
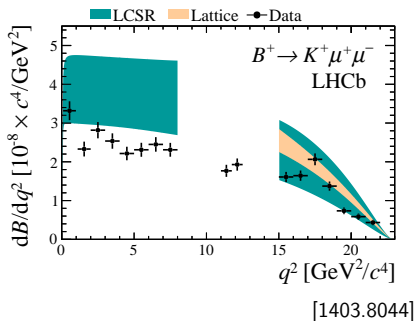
$$\Lambda(1690) \longrightarrow 3/2^-$$

- Not trivial to compute all different contributions, we would need to compute FF for each of them (and knowing how they interfere).
- Possibility to separate the signals because of their different nature (spin).
- We can build observables that would differ strongly for spin 1/2 and 3/2 (this can be used to check the selection is correctly done)

B-physics anomalies

Deviations from the SM expectations in $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$:

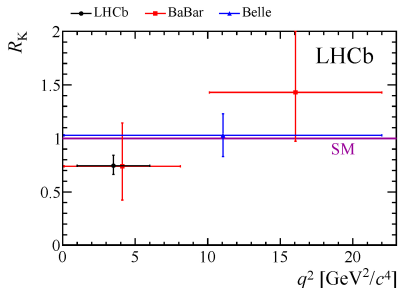
- Branching ratios and angular observables in $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$ $B \rightarrow K \mu \mu$, $B \rightarrow K^* \mu \mu$, $B_s \rightarrow \phi \mu \mu$



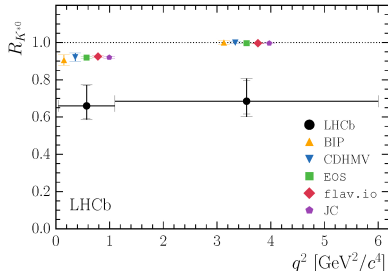
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- Branching ratios and angular observables in $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$, $B \rightarrow K\mu\mu$, $B \rightarrow K^*\mu\mu$, $B_s \rightarrow \phi\mu\mu$
- Lepton-flavour universality ratio comparing $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ and $b \rightarrow see$ $B \rightarrow K\ell^+\ell^-$, $B \rightarrow K^*\ell^+\ell^-$



[1406.6482]



[1705.05802]

Spin 3/2 Field treatment

Rarita-Schwinger Equations

Equation for a 3/2 spin field obtained combining $1 \otimes \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \oplus \frac{1}{2}$

$$(\square - m^2)\Psi^\nu(x) = 0 \quad \partial_\nu\Psi^\nu(x) = 0 \quad (\not{\partial} + m)\Psi^\nu(x) = 0$$

$$\gamma_\nu\Psi^\nu(x) = 0 \rightarrow \text{Preserve only the 3/2 spin part}$$

$$U_{3/2,m}^\nu(\vec{p}) = \sum_{\lambda=-1}^1 \sum_{r=-1/2}^{1/2} \epsilon_\lambda^\nu(\vec{p}) u_r(\vec{p}) \langle 1, \lambda; \frac{1}{2}, r | \frac{3}{2}, m \rangle$$

[10.1140/epjc/s2002-01026-1]

Λ^* propagation and decay

3/2 spin Propagator

$$P_{RS}^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\not{k} + M}{k^2 - M^2} \left(g^{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{3} \gamma^\alpha \gamma^\beta - \frac{2k^\alpha k^\beta}{3M^2} + \frac{\gamma^\beta k^\alpha - \gamma^\alpha k^\beta}{3M} \right)$$

[nucl-th/9812043]

$\Lambda K\rho$ interaction

$$\mathcal{L}_{int}^{3/2} = g \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} (\partial_\mu \Psi_\nu) \gamma_\alpha \psi \partial_\beta \phi + h.c.$$

[10.1103/PhysRevD.58.096002]

- Lowest order lorentz invariant coupling for a 3/2 spin field.
- Preserves only the 3/2 spin component.
- Done in analogy with $\Delta \rightarrow \pi N$