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Deviations from the Standard Model have long been observed in semileptonic B-meson decays, notably $b \rightarrow$ sll transitions, triggering speculations on potential New Physics effects in this sector. After the recent update of RK(*) and BR(B(s) $\rightarrow \mu\mu$) by the LHCb collaboration, the remaining significant deviations from the SM in FCNC B decays are found in the branching ratios of mesonic decays involving b \rightarrow sµµ and in the angular observable P'5.

Unlike RK(*) and BR(B(s) $\rightarrow \mu\mu$), the observables BR(B(s) $\rightarrow M\mu\mu$) (M = K(), ϕ ,…) are theoretically challenging to predict accurately because of their high sensitivity to non-perturbative QCD contributions, both local and non-local. These contributions yield a theoretical error of order 30%, which can be as large as (sometimes larger than) the experimental uncertainty, and clearly hamper the potential of these observables for discovery.

I will discuss the current state of B-meson anomalies, and the impact of transition form factors when considering the tension of experimental data with respect to the Standard Model.

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