

New LCSR B→K Form Factors determination

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Deviations from the Standard Model have long been observed in semileptonic B-meson decays, notably $b \rightarrow s \ell \ell$ transitions, triggering speculations on potential New Physics effects in this sector. Following recent updates of $R_{K^{(*)}}$ and $BR(B_{(s)} \rightarrow \gamma)$, and the first measurement of R_ϕ by the LHCb collaboration, the sole remaining significant deviations from the SM in flavour-changing neutral currents B-decays now lie in the branching ratios of decays involving $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$ and in the angular observable $P'5$.

However, unlike $R_{K^{(*)}}$, R_ϕ , and $BR(B_{(s)} \rightarrow \gamma)$, predicting $BR(B_s \rightarrow M)$ (with $M = K^{(*)}, \dots$) is challenging due to significant non-perturbative QCD effects, which introduce up to 30% theoretical uncertainty—often comparable to experimental errors—hampering the potential of these observables for discovery.

We undertake a new calculation of local $B \rightarrow K$ form factors using Light-Cone Sum Rules, proposing an alternative method and reassessing the systematic error associated to semi-global quark-hadron duality. These form factor predictions are then used to compute relevant observables and perform fits of NP scenarios.

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