

# $B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ and its impact on $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

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**Abstract** This study investigates  $B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  in the dimuon distributions and the hadronic contribution  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ . The  $\mu^+ \mu^-$  decay widths of the vector mesons  $B_{s,d}^*$  are approximately a factor of 700 larger than the corresponding scalar mesons  $B_{s,d}$ . The ratio of the branching fractions obtained,  $\frac{Br(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{Br(B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}$ , is approximately  $\frac{0.3 \times eV}{\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma)}$ . The hadronic contribution  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  is also estimated. The relative increase in the  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  amplitude is approximately  $(0.01 \pm 0.006) \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma)}{100 \text{ eV}}}$ . If we select  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma) = 2 \text{ eV}$ , then the branching fractions of the vector mesons to the lepton pair are  $5.3 \times 10^{-10}$  and  $1.6 \times 10^{-11}$  for  $B_s^*$  and  $B_d^*$ , respectively. If we select  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma) = 200 \text{ eV}$ , then the updated branching fractions of the scalar mesons to the muon pair are  $(3.78 \pm 0.25) \times 10^{-9}$  and  $(1.09 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-10}$  for  $B_s$  and  $B_d$ , respectively. If we select the recent predicted M1 widths  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma) = 313, 1230 \text{ eV}$  (arXiv:1607.02169), then the updated branching fractions are  $(3.8 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-9}$  and  $(1.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-10}$  for  $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  and  $B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ , respectively. Further studies on  $B_{s,d}^*$ , including those on dielectron decay and two-body decay with  $J/\psi$ , should be conducted.

## 1 Introduction

The leptonic decays of the  $B_{s,d}$  mesons play an important role in the standard model (SM) and the new physics (NP) [1, 2]. The leptonic decays are highly suppressed in the SM because flavor-changing neutral current decays are generated through W-box and Z-penguin diagrams. Furthermore, the branching fractions of the leptonic decays of scalar meson go through an additional helicity suppression factor by  $m_\mu^2/M_S^2$ , where

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$m_\mu$  and  $M_S$  denote the masses of the muon lepton and the scalar meson, respectively. The suppression can be removed in several NP models, such as the two-Higgs-doublet models [3], the minimal supersymmetric standard model [4], the next minimal supersymmetric standard model [5], the dark matter [6], the universal extra dimensional model [7], the lepton universality violation model [8], the fourth generation of fermions [9], and so on [10]. The branching fractions of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  measured by the CMS and LHCb Collaborations [2], and predicted within the SM [1] with NNLO QCD [11] and NLO EW [12] corrections are presented in Table 1.

On one hand, the experimental branching fractions of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  are measured from the dimuon distributions by the CMS and LHCb Collaborations [2]. Thus, the process  $B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  will enhance the dimuon distributions for mass splitting between  $B_{s,d}$  and  $B_{s,d}^*$  at approximately 45 MeV. On the other hand, the hadronic contribution  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  is missing in the theoretical prediction [1]. Therefore, this study focuses on  $B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  and its impact on  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  within SM. The  $B_s \rightarrow B_s^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$  process was considered in Ref. [13].  $B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  was recently considered in Refs. [14, 15]. Moreover, Refs. [16, 17], also investigated the hadronic contribution of charmonium in  $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \ell^-$  and  $B \rightarrow X_S \gamma$ .

## 2 The Decay of $B_s^*(B_d^*) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

An effective Lagrangian related to  $b\bar{s} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  within the SM is given in Refs. [18–20]

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{N} \left[ C_7^{\text{eff}}(\mu_f) \mathcal{O}_7^\gamma + C_9^{\text{eff}}(\mu_f) \mathcal{O}_9^V + C_{10}(\mu_f) \mathcal{O}_{10}^A \right], \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathcal{N} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \frac{e^2}{4\pi^2}$ , and the operators  $\mathcal{O}_{7,9,10}$  read as follows:

**Table 1** The branching fractions of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  measured by the CMS and LHCb Collaborations [2] and predicted within the SM [1] with NNLO QCD [11] and NLO EW [12] corrections included

|   | EX [2]                                | SM [1]                            | Deviations  |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| $Br(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$   | $(3.9^{+1.6}_{-1.4}) \times 10^{-10}$ | $(1.06 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-10}$ | $2.2\sigma$ |
| $Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$   | $(2.8^{+0.7}_{-0.6}) \times 10^{-9}$  | $(3.66 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-9}$  | $1.2\sigma$ |
| $\frac{Br(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}$ | $0.14^{+0.08}_{-0.06}$                | $0.0295^{+0.0028}_{-0.0025}$      | $2.3\sigma$ |

$$\mathcal{O}_7^\gamma = -\frac{2im_b(p_\mu^V + p_{\bar{\mu}}^V)}{(p_\mu + p_{\bar{\mu}})^2} (\bar{s} \sigma_{\rho\nu} P_R b) (\bar{\mu} \gamma^\rho \mu), \tag{2}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_9^V = (\bar{s} \gamma_\rho P_L b) (\bar{\mu} \gamma^\rho \mu), \tag{3}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{10}^A = (\bar{s} \gamma_\rho P_L b) (\bar{\mu} \gamma^\rho \gamma_5 \mu), \tag{4}$$

where  $P_L = (1 - \gamma_5)/2$ ,  $P_R = (1 + \gamma_5)/2$ . The Wilson coefficients are  $C_{7,9,10}^{\text{eff}}(\mu_f) = (-0.316, 4.403 - 0.47i, -4.493)$  at  $\mu_f = m_b = 4.5$  GeV [15]. The superscripts  $\gamma$ ,  $V$ , and  $A$  denote the contributions from photon, vector current, and axial vector current, respectively.

The relationships between the quark level operators and the meson are described as follows:

$$\langle 0 | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu b | B_s^*(q, \varepsilon) \rangle = m_{B_s^*} f_{B_s^*} \varepsilon^\mu, \tag{5}$$

$$\langle 0 | \bar{s} \sigma^{\mu\nu} b | B_s^*(q, \varepsilon) \rangle = -i f_{B_s^*}^T (q^\mu \varepsilon^\nu - \varepsilon^\mu q^\nu), \tag{6}$$

$$\langle 0 | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 b | B_s(q) \rangle = i f_{B_s} q^\mu, \tag{7}$$

where the three decay constants  $f_{B_s}$ ,  $f_{B_s^*}$ , and  $f_{B_s^*}^T$  depend on the renormalization scale, whose relationships have been investigated in the heavy-quark limit of the Ref. [21]. Ignoring the mass difference between  $B_s$  and  $B_s^*$  and the high-order QCD corrections, we derive the following expression:

$$f_{B_s^*} = f_{B_s^*}^T = f_{B_s}. \tag{8}$$

Afterward, the  $B_s^*(B_s) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  amplitudes are expressed as follows [13]:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(B_s^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) &= f_{B_s^*} \frac{\mathcal{N}}{2} m_{B_s^*} \bar{\mu} \not{\varepsilon} [C_V^{\text{eff}} + C_{10} \gamma_5] \mu, \\ \mathcal{M}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) &= i f_{B_s} \mathcal{N} C_{10} m_\mu \bar{\mu} \gamma_5 \mu, \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

where

$$C_V^{\text{eff}} = C_9^{\text{eff}} + 2 \frac{m_b}{m_{B_s^*}} C_7^{\text{eff}}. \tag{10}$$

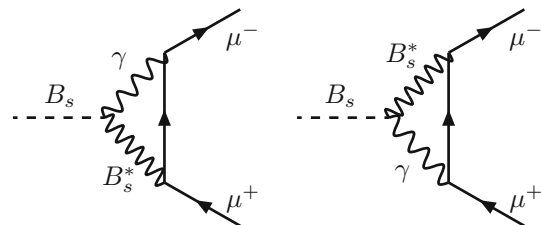
The helicity suppression factor  $m_\mu^2/m_M^2$  in the decay width is removed in the vector meson decay. Then the  $B_s^*(B_s) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  decay widths are obtained:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(B_s^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) &= \frac{G_f^2 \alpha_{em}^2}{96\pi^3} |V_{tb} V_{ts}^*|^2 \left( |C_{10}|^2 + |C_V^{\text{eff}}|^2 \right) \\ &\quad \times m_{B_s^*}^3 f_{B_s^*}^2 \left( 1 + \mathcal{O}(m_\mu^2/m_{B_s^*}^2) \right), \\ \Gamma(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) &= \frac{G_f^2 \alpha_{em}^2}{16\pi^3} |V_{tb} V_{ts}^*|^2 |C_{10}|^2 \\ &\quad \times m_\mu^2 m_{B_s} f_{B_s}^2 \left( 1 + \mathcal{O}(m_\mu^2/m_{B_s}^2) \right), \\ \frac{\Gamma(B_s^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\Gamma(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)} &= \frac{\left( |C_{10}|^2 + |C_V^{\text{eff}}|^2 \right) m_{B_s^*}^3 f_{B_s^*}^2}{6 |C_{10}|^2 m_\mu^2 m_{B_s} f_{B_s}^2} \\ &\quad \times \left( 1 + \mathcal{O}(m_\mu^2/m_{B_s}^2) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

The decay width ratio is approximately 700 for  $B_s^{(*)}$  and  $B_d^{(*)}$  both.

### 3 The impact of $B_s^*(B_d^*) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ on $B_s(B_d) \rightarrow B_s^*(B_d^*) \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

Furthermore,  $B_{s,d}^*$  will impact on the  $B_{s,d}$  leptonic decay through the loop contribution  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ . The Feynman diagrams are shown in Fig. 1. This calculation is a part of EM corrections to  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ . The NLO EW corrections of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  within the SM have been calculated in Refs. [1, 12]. The hadronic contribution of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^* \gamma_{\text{soft}} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- + \gamma_{\text{soft}}$  has been calculated in Ref. [13]. However, the contribution of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  is missing in the previous calculation. This calculation is incomplete. For instance, there is double counting between the NLO EW corrections  $B_s \rightarrow b + s + \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  [12] and this calculation  $B_s \rightarrow B_s^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ . We considered that the contribution of  $B_s \rightarrow B_s^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  will be retained only when the  $B_s^*$  is nearly on-shell. If  $B_s^*$  is far away from



**Fig. 1** Feynman diagrams of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

mass shell,  $B_s \rightarrow b + s + \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  is dominant. As is well known, the propagator of hadron will be modified due to the off-shell of hadron [22], and the Wilson coefficients  $C_{7,9,10}^{\text{eff}}$  will be modified too [17, 19]. Therefore, this treatment may be regarded as a crude estimate, and the error may be large in this treatment.

The vertex of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^* \gamma$  is expressed as the following operator [23, 24]:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{B_s B_s^* \gamma} &= \sum_{q=s,b} \langle B_s^* \gamma | i e e_q \bar{q}(p_{\bar{q}}) \gamma_{\mu} q(p_q) | B_s \rangle \\ &= \sum_{q=s,b} \varepsilon_{\gamma}^{\mu} p_{\gamma}^{\nu} \langle B_s^* | i e e_q \bar{q}(p_{\bar{q}}) \frac{i \sigma_{\mu\nu}}{2m_q} q(p_q) | B_s \rangle . \end{aligned}$$

We can simplify the matrix element  $\langle B_s^* | \bar{q}(p) \sigma_{\mu\nu} q(p) | B_s \rangle$  with the procedure in Refs. [25, 26],<sup>1</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{B_s B_s^* \gamma} &= \sum_{q=s,b} \frac{-e e_q}{2m_q} \varepsilon_{\gamma}^{\mu} p_{\gamma}^{\nu} \langle B_s^* | \bar{q}(p) \sigma_{\mu\nu} q(p) | B_s \rangle \\ &= i \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \varepsilon_{\gamma}^{\mu} p_{\gamma}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{B_s^*}^{\alpha} p_{B_s^*}^{\beta} \sum_{q=s,b} \left( \frac{e e_q}{m_q} \right) \mathcal{F} . \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

$\mathcal{F}$  is related to the wave functions of  $B_s^*$  and  $B_s$  [25], which is  $\mathcal{F} = \langle B_s | j_0(p_{\gamma} r) | B_s^* \rangle \sim 1$  [27, 28]. We can rewrite Eq. (12) as follows:

$$\mathcal{M}_{B_s B_s^* \gamma} = i \frac{g_{B_s B_s^* \gamma}}{m_{B_s^*}} \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \varepsilon_{\gamma}^{\mu} p_{\gamma}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{B_s^*}^{\alpha} p_{B_s^*}^{\beta} . \tag{13}$$

Here the dimensionless vector–scalar–photon coupling constant  $g_{B_s B_s^* \gamma}$  is related to the magnetic moments of  $b$  and  $s$  quarks; and the phase factor  $i$  is consistent with the amplitude of  $\gamma^* \rightarrow V P$  in Ref. [29].

Ultraviolet (UV) logarithmic divergences are observed in the evaluation of loop integrals. In the NLO EW corrections of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  [12], the UV divergences are canceled by the renormalization of  $C_{10}$ . Just as  $R$ -value of hadron production in  $e^+ e^-$  annihilation, the hadronic contributions will return the quark contributions if the  $B_s^*$  is far away from the mass shell. So that the UV part of loop integral will be suppressed due to avoid the double counting. We introduce a cutoff regularization scheme for the following UV divergence integral:

$$\begin{aligned} &\int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{(q_i^2 - m_i^2)(q_j^2 - m_j^2)} \\ &\rightarrow \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \left[ \frac{1}{(q_i^2 - m_i^2)(q_j^2 - m_j^2)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{(q_i^2 - (m_i + \Lambda)^2)(q_j^2 - (m_j + \Lambda)^2)} \right] , \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

where  $i, j = B_s^*, \gamma$  or  $\mu$ , and  $q_i$  corresponds to the  $i$  momentum in the loop.  $\Lambda \ll M_W$  for the amplitude is UV finite when W boson is involved. The hadronic contribution will be suppressed when  $\sqrt{q_j^2 - m_j^2} \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$ , where  $\Lambda$  is approximately several  $\Lambda_{QCD}$ . The cutoff regularization scheme is similar to Pauli–Villars regularization scheme; however, the cutoff regularization scheme acts on two propagators. The Pauli–Villars regularization scheme of the UV divergence integral is the same as the form factor  $\mathcal{F}$  introduced in the  $B_s B_s^* \gamma$  vertex in Ref. [30],

$$\mathcal{F} = \left( \frac{\Lambda^2 - m_{B_s^*}^2}{\Lambda^2 - q_{B_s^*}^2} \right) , \tag{15}$$

for

$$\frac{1}{q_{B_s^*}^2 - m_{B_s^*}^2} \mathcal{F} = \frac{1}{q_{B_s^*}^2 - m_{B_s^*}^2} - \frac{1}{q_{B_s^*}^2 - \Lambda^2} . \tag{16}$$

However, the cutoff regularization scheme acts on the UV divergence term, as well as the two propagators. Then the soft contribution will be maintained in our calculation.

The amplitude from  $B_s \rightarrow B_s^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  can be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(B_s \rightarrow B_s^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) &= i e \mathcal{N} g_{B_s B_s^* \gamma} R(\Lambda) C_V^{\text{eff}} f_{B_s^*} m_{\mu} \bar{\mu} \gamma_5 \mu , \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

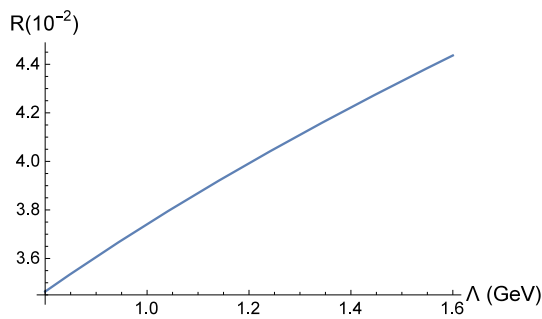
where  $C_V^{\text{eff}} = C_9^{\text{eff}} + 2m_b/m_{B_s^*} C_7^{\text{eff}}$  and considered as a constant.  $m_{\mu}$  reappears in the amplitude of the leptonic decay of the scalar mesons. The  $R(\Lambda)$  factor serves as a function of the high energy cut, as shown in Fig. 2. Detailed information on the  $R(\Lambda)$  factor is provided in the appendix.

Compared with Eq. (9), the previous amplitude added the factor  $F$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} F(B_s^*) &= \frac{\mathcal{M}(B_s \rightarrow B_s^* \gamma \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{M}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)} \\ &= \frac{C_V^{\text{eff}} f_{B_s^*}}{C_{10} f_{B_s}} e g_{B_s B_s^* \gamma} R(\Lambda) . \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

We can estimate  $g_{B_s B_s^* \gamma}$  in several ways, including the heavy-quark and chiral effective theories [31, 32] with the radiative and pion transition widths of  $D^{*+}$ , the light cone QCD sum rules [33, 34], and the radiative M1 decay widths of  $B_s^* \rightarrow B_s \gamma$  from the potential model [27, 35].

<sup>1</sup> The decay constants defined of vector meson in Eq. (5) is different from Eq. (44) in Ref. [25] with an additional  $i$ .



**Fig. 2**  $R(\Lambda)$  of  $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  defined in Eq. (17) as a function of the cut off energy

The heavy-quark and chiral effective theories yield the following expression [13–15]:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{B_d B_d^* \gamma} &= -1.7 \pm 0.2, \\ g_{B_s B_s^* \gamma} &= -1.2 \pm 0.2. \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

The light cone QCD sum rules yield the following expression [33,34]:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{B_d B_d^* \gamma} &= -2.3 \pm 0.3, \\ g_{B_s B_s^* \gamma} &= -1.5 \pm 0.2. \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

The radiative M1 decay width of  $B_s^* \rightarrow B_s \gamma$  is derived as follows:

$$g_{B_s B_s^* \gamma} = -m_{B_s^*} \left( \frac{12\pi}{E_\gamma^3} \Gamma(B_s^* \rightarrow B_s \gamma) \right)^{1/2}. \tag{21}$$

The predicted M1 widths are 0.15–400 eV and 10–300 eV for  $B_s^* \rightarrow B_s \gamma$  and  $B_d^* \rightarrow B_d \gamma$ , respectively [24,26,27,35,36]. Recently new predicted M1 widths were given in Ref. [28]:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{B_s^* \rightarrow B_s \gamma} &= 0.313 \text{ KeV}, \\ \Gamma_{B_d^* \rightarrow B_d \gamma} &= 1.23 \text{ KeV}. \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Then we can get the following value:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{B_d B_d^* \gamma} &= -3.8, \\ g_{B_s B_s^* \gamma} &= -2.0. \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

### 4 Numerical result

The parameters in the numerical calculation are selected as follows [37]:

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda &= 1.2 \text{ GeV}, \\ m_b &= 4.2 \text{ GeV}, \\ \alpha_{em} &= 1/137. \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

In the branch fraction of  $B_{s,d}^*$ , the weak decay is less than the M1 decay,  $\Gamma_{\text{tot}}(B_{s,d}^*) \approx \Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma)$ . The following ratio is obtained:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Br(B_s^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)} &= (0.34 \pm 0.03) \times \frac{eV}{\Gamma(B_s^* \rightarrow B_s \gamma)}, \\ \frac{Br(B_d^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{Br(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)} &= (0.33 \pm 0.03) \times \frac{eV}{\Gamma(B_d^* \rightarrow B_d \gamma)}. \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

The main uncertainty is derived from the  $f_{B_{s,d}^*}$  value. The dimuon invariant mass distribution measured by the CMS and LHCb Collaborations in Ref. [2] should include the  $B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  contributions. If  $\Gamma(B_s^* \rightarrow B_s \gamma) = 1 \text{ eV}$  [27], we can get  $\frac{Br(B_s^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-)}{Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)} = 0.34$  for  $\ell = e, \mu$ . Afterward,  $B_s^* \rightarrow e^+ e^-$  may be searched by the CMS and LHCb experiments with larger data samples.

Moreover, we observe that the amplitude of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  is modified by the contributions of  $B_{s,d}^*$  with a factor

$$F(B_{s,d}^*) = (0.011 \pm 0.006) \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma)}{100\text{eV}}}, \tag{26}$$

if  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma) \sim 100 \text{ eV}$ . The main uncertainty is caused by the  $\Lambda$  value. The new predictions of  $\Gamma(B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$  are provided as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) &= (36.6 \pm 2.3) \times \\ &\times \left( 1 + (0.023 \pm 0.012) \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma_{\text{tot}}(B_s^*)}{100\text{eV}}} \right) \times 10^{-10}, \\ Br(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) &= (10.6 \pm 0.9) \times \\ &\times \left( 1 + (0.023 \pm 0.012) \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma_{\text{tot}}(B_d^*)}{100\text{eV}}} \right) \times 10^{-11}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma) = 200 \text{ eV}$ , then this factor will increase the  $\Gamma(B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$  decay width by a factor of  $(3.3 \pm 1.7)\%$ , which is approximately a factor 10 times larger than the neglect NLO EW correction factor 0.3% at the decay width in Ref. [1]. In addition, the corresponding  $g_{B_{s,d} B_{s,d}^* \gamma} = -1.5$  about a factor 15 times larger than  $e_{qe} = -1/3 \sqrt{4\pi \alpha_{em}} = -0.10$ .  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma)$  may be measured through two-body decay  $B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow J/\psi + M$  by CMS and LHCb.

If  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d} \gamma) = 313, 1230 \text{ eV}$  [28], then we can get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Br(B_s^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)} &= (1.1 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-3}, \\ \frac{Br(B_d^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{Br(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)} &= (2.7 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}. \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

New predictions of  $\Gamma(B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$  are provided as follows:

**Table 2** The branching fractions of  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  measured by the CMS and LHCb Collaborations [2] and updated SM prediction with  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d}\gamma) = 313, 1230 \text{ eV}$  [28]

|   | EX [2]                                | SM [1]                            | Updated SM                      |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| $Br(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$  | $(3.9_{-1.4}^{+1.6}) \times 10^{-10}$ | $(1.06 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-10}$ | $(1.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-10}$ |
| $Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$  | $(2.8_{-0.6}^{+0.7}) \times 10^{-9}$  | $(3.66 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-9}$  | $(3.8 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-9}$  |
| $\frac{Br(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}{Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}$ | $0.14_{-0.06}^{+0.08}$                | $0.0295_{-0.0025}^{+0.0028}$      | $0.031 \pm 0.0036$              |

$$\begin{aligned}
 Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) &= (3.8 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-9}, \\
 Br(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) &= (1.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-10}, \\
 \frac{Br(B_d \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}{Br(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} &= 0.031 \pm 0.0036.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{28}$$

The numerical results are shown in Table 2 too.

### 5 Summary

In summary, this study investigated  $B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  in the dimuon distributions and the hadronic contribution  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^*\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ . The  $\mu^+\mu^-$  decay widths of the vector mesons  $B_{s,d}^*$  are approximately a factor of 700 larger than the corresponding scalar mesons  $B_{s,d}$ . The obtained ratio of the branching fractions  $\frac{Br(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}{Br(B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}$  is approximately  $\frac{0.3 \times \text{eV}}{\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d}\gamma)}$ . The hadronic contribution  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow B_{s,d}^*\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  is also estimated. The relative increase in the  $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  amplitude is approximately  $(0.01 \pm 0.006)\sqrt{\frac{\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d}\gamma)}{100 \text{ eV}}}$ . If we select  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d}\gamma) = 2 \text{ eV}$ , then the branching fractions of the vector mesons to the lepton pair are  $5.3 \times 10^{-10}$  and  $1.6 \times 10^{-11}$  for  $B_s^*$  and  $B_d^*$ , respectively. If we select  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d}\gamma) = 200 \text{ eV}$ , then the updated branching fractions of the scalar mesons to the muon pair are  $(3.78 \pm 0.25) \times 10^{-9}$  and  $(1.09 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-10}$  for  $B_s$  and  $B_d$ , respectively. If we select the recent predicted M1 widths  $\Gamma(B_{s,d}^* \rightarrow B_{s,d}\gamma) = 313, 1230 \text{ eV}$  [28], then the updated branching fractions are  $(3.8 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-9}$  and  $(1.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-10}$  for  $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  and  $B_d \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ , respectively. Further studies on  $B_{s,d}^*$ , including those on dielectron decay and two-body decay with  $J/\psi$  should be conducted.

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### Appendix A: Appendix R( $\Lambda$ )

$R(\Lambda)$  of  $B_s \rightarrow B_s^*\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  defined in Eq. (17) is obtained as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R(\Lambda) &= \frac{1}{32\pi^2 m_{B_s}^2 m_\mu^2} \left\{ 3m_{B_s}^2 m_\mu^2 - 2m_\mu^2 (m_{B_s}^2 - m_{B_s^*}^2)^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \times C_0(m_{B_s}^2, m_\mu^2, m_\mu^2, m_{B_s^*}^2, 0, m_\mu^2) \\
 &\quad + m_{B_s}^2 (m_\mu^2 - m_{B_s^*}^2) (B_0(0, m_\mu^2, m_{B_s^*}^2) \\
 &\quad - B_0(0, (\Lambda + m_\mu)^2, (\Lambda + m_{B_s^*})^2)) \\
 &\quad + (m_{B_s}^2 (2m_\mu^2 + m_{B_s^*}^2) + 2m_\mu^2 m_{B_s^*}^2) \\
 &\quad (B_0(m_\mu^2, m_\mu^2, m_{B_s^*}^2) \\
 &\quad - B_0(m_\mu^2, (\Lambda + m_\mu)^2, (\Lambda + m_{B_s^*})^2)) \\
 &\quad + m_\mu^2 (3m_{B_s}^2 - 2m_{B_s^*}^2) (B_0(m_\mu^2, 0, m_\mu^2) \\
 &\quad \left. - B_0(m_\mu^2, \Lambda^2, (\Lambda + m_\mu)^2)) \right\}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{A.1}$$

The scalar functions  $B_0$  and  $C_0$  are given in Refs. [38–40]. As a numerical fit between 0.5 – 2 GeV,  $R(\Lambda)$  is obtained as follows:

$$R(\Lambda) = 0.022 + 0.062 \times \ln\left(\frac{\Lambda + m_{B_s}}{m_{B_s}}\right).
 \tag{A.2}$$

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