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# Loop effects of heavy new scalars and fermions in $b ightarrow s \mu^+ \mu^-$

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ABSTRACT: Recent measurements of  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  processes at LHCb and BELLE have revealed tensions at the  $2-3\sigma$  level between the Standard Model (SM) prediction and the experimental results in the channels  $B \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$  and  $B_s \to \phi \mu^+ \mu^-$ , as well as in the lepton-flavor universality violating observable  $R_K = \text{Br}(B \to K\mu^+\mu^-)/\text{Br}(B \to Ke^+e^-).$ Combined global fits to the available  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data suggest that these tensions might have their common origin in New Physics (NP) beyond the SM because some NP scenarios turn out to be preferred over the SM by  $4-5\sigma$ . The fact that all these anomalies are related to muons further suggests a connection (and a common NP explanation) with the long-standing anomaly in the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon,  $a_{\mu}$ . In this article, we study the impact of a generic class of NP models featuring new heavy scalars and fermions that couple to the SM fermions via Yukawa-like interactions. We consider two different scenarios, introducing either one additional fermion and two scalars or two additional fermions and one scalar, and examine all possible representations of the new particles under the SM gauge group with dimension up to the adjoint one. The models induce one-loop contributions to  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  and  $a_\mu$  which are capable of solving the respective anomalies at the  $2\sigma$  level, albeit a relatively large coupling of the new particles to muons is required. In the case of  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$ , stringent constraints from  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing arise which can be relaxed if the new fermion is a Majorana particle.

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#### 1 Introduction

While a direct production of particles beyond the ones of the SM has not been observed at the LHC so far, some observables in the flavor sector show tensions with the theory predictions that can be interpreted as indirect 'hints' for new physics. The affected channels/observables comprise  $B \to K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$ ,  $B_s \to \phi \mu^+ \mu^-$  and  $R_K = \text{Br}[B \to K \mu^+ \mu^-]/\text{Br}[B \to K e^+ e^-]$ , all of them induced by the same quark-level transition  $b \to s \mu^+ \mu^-$ .<sup>1</sup>

Let us give a brief account on the experimental and theoretical situation concerning  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  transitions. In the decay  $B \to K^*\mu^+\mu^-$ , tensions between the SM prediction and the LHCb data [1] mainly manifest themselves as a ~  $3\sigma$  anomaly in the angular observable  $P'_5$  [2, 3]. This observable is fairly robust with respect to hadronic uncertainties [4] because, at leading order in  $\alpha_s$  and  $\Lambda/m_B$ , form factors cancel as a consequence of large-recoil symmetries [5]. Very recently, a (less precise) BELLE measurement [6] confirmed the  $P'_5$  anomaly at the  $2\sigma$  level. In the channel  $B_s \to \phi\mu^+\mu^-$ , the branching ratio measured by LHCb [7] in the region of large  $\phi$ -recoil is at  $\gtrsim 2\sigma$  in conflict with the SM prediction based on light-cone sum-rule form factors [8]. Finally, LHCb has observed lepton flavor universality violation (LFUV) in  $B \to K\ell^+\ell^-$  decays [9]: in the range  $1 \text{ GeV}^2 < m^2_{\ell\ell} < 6 \text{ GeV}^2$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Deviations from SM predictions were also observed in tauonic B decays. Since these tensions cannot be explained by loop effects, we do not discuss them in this article.

of the dilepton invariant mass  $m_{\ell\ell}$ , the measured ratio  $R_K$  deviates from the theoretically clean SM prediction [10, 11] by 2.6 $\sigma$ . Global fits, including the above observables as well as other  $b \to s$  data like  $B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ ,  $b \to s\gamma$ , etc., found that scenarios with a new physics (NP) contribution to the operators

$$O_{9}^{(\prime)} = \frac{\alpha_{\rm EM}}{4\pi} \left[ \bar{s} \gamma^{\nu} P_{L(R)} b \right] \left[ \bar{\mu} \gamma_{\nu} \mu \right] , \qquad O_{10}^{(\prime)} = \frac{\alpha_{\rm EM}}{4\pi} \left[ \bar{s} \gamma^{\nu} P_{L(R)} b \right] \left[ \bar{\mu} \gamma_{\nu} \gamma^{5} \mu \right]$$
(1.1)

can significantly improve the description of the data compared to the SM [12–14]. Depending on the underlying model of NP, a different pattern of correlations among the NP Wilson coefficients  $C_9^{(\prime)}, C_{10}^{(\prime)}$  arises, and for instance models that only generate  $C_9, C_9 = -C_{10}$  or  $C_9 = -C_9'$  with a large negative  $C_9$  are preferred over the SM by  $4-5\sigma$ .

At the level of concrete NP models, most analyses focus on a generation of the required NP effects at tree level, either by the exchange of Z' vector bosons [15–30] or through leptoquarks [31–38]. An explanation of the anomalies via loop effects, on the other hand, typically leads to correlated imprints on other observables like the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon  $(a_{\mu})$ . It is thus appealing to investigate the possibility of a simultaneous solution of the flavor anomalies and the long-standing tension in  $(g-2)_{\mu}$  at the loop level, for example by light Z' bosons [39–48], leptoquarks [38, 49, 50] or new fermions and scalars [51–61] (see ref. [62] for a review on the situation in SUSY).

In this article, we examine in detail the possibility proposed in ref. [60] that the anomalies in the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data and  $(g-2)_{\mu}$  are explained by loop effects involving heavy new scalars and fermions that couple to the SM fermions via Yukawa-like interactions. In order to generate the Wilson coefficient  $C_9$ , the new particles must couple to the left-handed SM quark doublets Q. We study the minimal setup in which the new particles do not couple to right-handed SM fields, implying  $C_9 = -C_{10}$  which is one of the favored patterns for the solution of the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  anomalies. Whereas the emphasis in ref. [60] was on modelbuilding aspects and a particular higher-dimensional representation for the new particles under the SM gauge group, we explore in more detail the phenomenological consequences in a general class of models: we consider those representations which are realized in the SM (singlet, fundamental and adjoint) and study also the case of the fermions (scalars) being Majorana particles (real scalars).

The paper is organized as follows: in section 2 we define our model and classify the various representations under the SM gauge group for the new particles. In section 3 we give the formulae for the Wilson coefficients and the observables relevant for our numerical analysis in section 4. Finally we conclude in section 5.

#### 2 Setup

In the spirit of ref. [60], we introduce new heavy scalars and vector-like fermions in such a way that a one-loop box contribution to  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  is generated (see figure 1). As mentioned in the introduction, we will assume that the new particles only couple to lefthanded SM fermions. This assumption minimizes the number of free parameters and is phenomenologically well motivated because the resulting pattern  $C_9 = -C_{10}$  is one of the scenarios that are suited best for the description of  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data. To draw the diagram on the left-hand side of figure 1, we need a new fermion  $\Psi$  that couples to both quarks and leptons, and two different scalar particles (with different color quantum numbers), one of them coupling to quarks and one of them to leptons. Alternatively, exchanging the roles played by the fermions and scalars, we get the diagram on the right-hand side of figure 1. Therefore, we construct the following two distinct models:

a) One additional fermion  $\Psi$  and two additional scalars  $\Phi_Q$  and  $\Phi_\ell$  with interactions described by the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{a)} = \Gamma_i^Q \bar{Q}_i P_R \Psi \Phi_Q + \Gamma_i^L \bar{L}_i P_R \Psi \Phi_\ell + \text{h.c.}.$$
(2.1)

b) Two additional fermions  $\Psi_Q$  and  $\Psi_\ell$  and one additional scalar  $\Phi$  with interactions described by the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{b)} = \Gamma_i^Q \bar{Q}_i P_R \Psi_Q \Phi + \Gamma_i^L \bar{L}_i P_R \Psi_\ell \Phi + \text{h.c.}$$
(2.2)

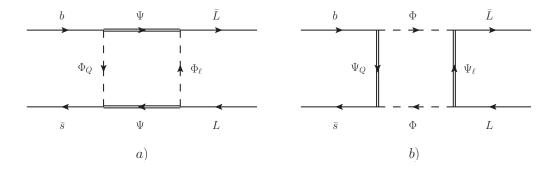
In eqs. (2.1) and (2.2),  $Q_i$  and  $L_i$  denote the left-handed quark and lepton doublets with family index *i*. The box-diagrams contributing to  $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$  and  $b \to s\bar{\nu}\nu$  for the model classes a) and b) are shown in figure 1. Analogous box diagrams induce  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing (see upper row in figure 3).

One-loop contributions to  $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$  can also be generated by the crossed box diagrams shown in figure 2. Whereas the standard box contributions in figure 1 derive from the Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_{int}^{a)} \left(\mathcal{L}_{int}^{b)}\right)$  with  $\Psi$  ( $\Phi$ ) coupling both to quarks and to leptons, crossed boxes are induced by a variant  $\mathcal{L}_{int}^{a')} \left(\mathcal{L}_{int}^{b')}\right)$  of the Lagrangian where  $\Psi$  ( $\Phi$ ) couples to quarks and the charge-conjugated field  $\Psi^c$  ( $\Phi^c$ ) to leptons. Therefore, in the case of a Majorana fermion  $\Psi = \Psi^c$  (neutral scalar  $\Phi = \Phi^c$ ) one has  $\mathcal{L}_{int}^{a)} = \mathcal{L}_{int}^{a')} \left(\mathcal{L}_{int}^{b)} = \mathcal{L}_{int}^{b')}$ ), and both crossed and uncrossed boxes are present. In the other cases, it turns out that the primed Lagrangians lead to a very similar phenomenology<sup>2</sup> as the unprimed ones, and so we will only consider the two cases  $\mathcal{L}_{int}^{a)}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{int}^{b)}$  in the following, including the possible situation of Majorana fermions (neutral scalars).

Through electroweak (EW) symmetry breaking, the SM fermions acquire masses, giving rise to the chirality-flipping process  $b \to s\gamma$  and to non-zero contributions to the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon. The corresponding diagrams are shown in figure 4. Note that we do not introduce any additional source of chirality violation beyond the SM. In particular, the Higgs mechanism does not contribute to the masses of the new heavy particles which are supposed to be exclusively generated from explicit mass terms in the respective free-particle Lagrangian.

Moving from the weak to the mass eigenbasis of the quarks results in a rotation of the couplings  $\Gamma_i^Q$  in flavor space in eqs. (2.1) and (2.2). This rotation is unphysical in our setup where we consider the couplings  $\Gamma_i^Q$  as independent free parameters. In the mass

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Predictions for observables involving only quarks or only leptons are identical for the primed and unprimed Lagrangians. For  $b \to s \ell^+ \ell^-$  the impact on our phenomenological analysis consists in a sign change of the Wilson coefficient  $C_9 = -C_{10}$  which can, however, be absorbed by a redefinition of the product of couplings  $\Gamma_s \Gamma_b^*$ .



**Figure 1**. Box-diagrams contributing to  $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$  and  $b \to s\nu\bar{\nu}$  in case a) and b).

eigenbasis, we denote the couplings to muons, bottom- and strange-quarks, as  $\Gamma_{\mu}$ ,  $\Gamma_{b}$  and  $\Gamma_{s}$ , respectively. We further assume negligible couplings to the first fermion generation. This assumption allows for an explanation of the  $R_{K}$  anomaly and moreover weakens the bounds on the masses of the new particles from direct searches.

Let us now discuss the possible representations for the new particles under the SM gauge group. To this end, recall that the SM fermions carry the following gauge quantum numbers:

	SU(3)	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_Y$
Q	3	2	1/6
u	3	1	2/3
d	3	1	-1/3
L	1	2	-1/2
e	1	1	-1

(2.3)

In the case of the non-abelian groups we label the respective representations by their dimension. Applying this notation, the fundamental representations of SU(3) and SU(2) are indicated by 3 and 2 in the table above, while the corresponding adjoint representations would be labeled as 8 and 3, and singlets are marked as 1.

In the SM, all particles transform under  $SU(2)_L$  and SU(3) either as singlets, in the fundamental, or in the adjoint representation. We thus content ourselves with considering these three possibilities also for the transformation of the new heavy particles. The requirement of gauge invariance of the Lagrangian in eq. (2.1) or eq. (2.2) further acts as a constraint on the allowed combinations of representations for the three new particles. We

SU(2)	$\Phi_Q, \Psi_Q$	$\Phi_\ell, \Psi_\ell$	$\Psi, \Phi$
Ι	2	2	1
II	1	1	2
III	3	3	2
IV	2	2	3
V	3	1	2
VI	1	3	2

end up with the following possibilities with respect to SU(2) and SU(3):

The hypercharge Y can be freely chosen for one of the new particles. We define  $Y_{\Psi} \equiv X$ for the particle  $\Psi$  in model class a) and  $Y_{\Phi} = -X$  for the particle  $\Phi$  in model class b). The values for the other two particles  $\Phi_{Q,\ell}$  respectively  $\Psi_{Q,\ell}$  are then fixed from charge conservation in the Lagrangian (2.1) or (2.2):

$$\frac{Y \quad \Phi_Q, \Psi_Q \quad \Phi_\ell, \Psi_\ell \quad \Psi, \Phi}{1/6 + X \quad -1/2 + X \quad -X}$$

$$(2.5)$$

(2.4)

Motivated by the SM charges, we will assume X to be quantized<sup>3</sup> in units of 1/6 with  $-1 \leq X \leq 1$ . After EW symmetry breaking, the electric charge  $Q_{\rm em}$  derives from the hypercharge and the third component of SU(2) according to

$$Q_{\rm em} = T_3 + Y$$
. (2.6)

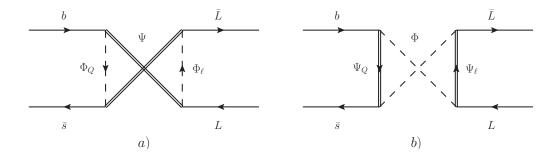
As we have found six possibilities (denoted by I, II, III, IV, V, VI) for the SU(2) representations, and four possibilities (denoted by A, B, C, D) for the SU(3) representations, there are in total 24 scenarios for each model class a) and b). In addition, in each of these scenarios one can freely choose the value of X.

The primed Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_{int}^{a'}(\mathcal{L}_{int}^{b'})$  in principle allows for all SU(2) representations, but only representation I and IV can give non-zero contributions to  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  processes since the corresponding group factors vanish for the other representations. Concerning SU(3)all options A, B, C, D are permitted (with  $\bar{3} \to 3$  for  $\Psi_{\ell}, \Phi_{\ell}$  in the cases B and D). The hypercharge of  $\Psi_{\ell}, \Phi_{\ell}$  would change to 1/2 - X. Therefore, the cases with  $SU(2) \in \{I, IV\}$ ,  $SU(3) \in \{A, C\}$  and X = 0 allow for  $\Psi(\Phi)$  being a Majorana fermion (a real scalar) contributing to  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  and  $B_s - \bar{B}_s$  mixing. We will put a special emphasis on this situation in our numerical analysis in section 4 because the presence of additional crossed boxes in  $b \to s\ell\ell$  and  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  (see figure 2 and second row in figure 3) can lead to interesting phenomenological consequences.

#### Observables and bounds on Wilson coefficients 3

In the previous section we constructed two classes of NP models aiming at an explanation of the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  anomalies through one-loop box contributions. The relevant free model

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The assumption on the quantization of X has no impact on the phenomenological discussion.



**Figure 2.** Crossed boxes contributing to  $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$  and  $b \to s\nu\bar{\nu}$  in case a) (b)) if  $\Phi$  ( $\Psi$ ) is a Majorana fermion (real scalar).

parameters governing this transition are the couplings  $\Gamma_b$ ,  $\Gamma_s$  and  $\Gamma_\mu$  together with the masses of the three new particles,  $m_{\Psi}$ ,  $m_{\Phi_Q}$ ,  $m_{\Phi_\ell}$  in case a) and  $m_{\Phi}$ ,  $m_{\Psi_Q}$ ,  $m_{\Psi_\ell}$  in case b). Unavoidably, the Lagrangian in eq. (2.1) (in eq. (2.2)) also generates contributions to  $b \to s\nu\bar{\nu}$ ,  $b \to s\gamma$  and  $B_s - \bar{B}_s$  mixing, and in particular the latter sets an important constraint on the subspace spanned by the couplings  $\Gamma_b$ ,  $\Gamma_s$  and the masses  $m_{\Psi}$ ,  $m_{\Phi_Q}$  ( $m_{\Phi}$ ,  $m_{\Psi_Q}$ ). Furthermore, depending on the coupling  $\Gamma_{\mu}$  and the masses  $m_{\Psi}$ ,  $m_{\Phi_\ell}$  ( $m_{\Phi}$ ,  $m_{\Psi_\ell}$ ), a contribution to the anomalous magnetic moment  $(g-2)_{\mu}$  of the muon emerges that could have the potential to solve the long-standing anomaly in this observable. A complete phenomenological analysis must take into account all these processes. In this section we thus provide the Wilson coefficients needed for their theoretical description in the models under consideration and derive the experimental bounds on them.

### 3.1 $b \rightarrow s \mu^+ \mu^-$

In our models, the only relevant NP contributions to  $b \rightarrow s\mu^+\mu^-$  transitions reside inside the effective Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{\rm eff}^{\mu^+\mu^-} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \left( C_9 \mathcal{O}_9 + C_{10} \mathcal{O}_{10} \right) \,, \tag{3.1}$$

with

$$\mathcal{O}_9 = \frac{\alpha_{\rm EM}}{4\pi} \left[ \bar{s} \gamma^{\nu} P_L b \right] \left[ \bar{\mu} \gamma_{\nu} \mu \right] , \qquad \mathcal{O}_{10} = \frac{\alpha_{\rm EM}}{4\pi} \left[ \bar{s} \gamma^{\nu} P_L b \right] \left[ \bar{\mu} \gamma_{\nu} \gamma^5 \mu \right] . \qquad (3.2)$$

These operators receive NP contributions from box diagrams, photon- and Z-penguins. Since we do not introduce any additional source of SU(2) breaking compared to the SM, Z-penguin diagrams are necessarily suppressed by  $m_b^2/M_Z^2$  and we will neglect them in the following.

The box contributions are depicted in figure 1 for both case a) and b). If the new fermion  $\Psi$  (scalar  $\Phi$ ) that couples both to quarks and leptons is in a real representation with respect to all gauge transformations, i.e. if it is a singlet or in the adjoint representation with respect to SU(2) and SU(3) and has hypercharge X = 0, one can consider the possibility that it is a Majorana fermion (real scalar). In this case, also the crossed diagrams (shown in figure 2) exist and have to be taken into account. In the models of class a) and b), we have

$$C_{9}^{\text{box},a)} = -C_{10}^{\text{box},a)} = \mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_{s}\Gamma_{b}^{*}|\Gamma_{\mu}|^{2}}{32\pi\alpha_{\text{EM}}m_{\Psi}^{2}} \left(\chi\eta F\left(x_{Q}, x_{\ell}\right) + 2\chi^{M}\eta^{M}G\left(x_{Q}, x_{\ell}\right)\right) ,$$
  

$$C_{9}^{\text{box},b)} = -C_{10}^{\text{box},b)} = -\mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_{s}\Gamma_{b}^{*}|\Gamma_{\mu}|^{2}}{32\pi\alpha_{\text{EM}}m_{\Phi}^{2}} \left(\chi\eta - \chi^{M}\eta^{M}\right) F\left(y_{Q}, y_{\ell}\right) ,$$
(3.3)

with  $x_Q = m_{\Phi_Q}^2/m_{\Psi}^2$ ,  $x_\ell = m_{\Phi_\ell}^2/m_{\Psi}^2$  and  $y_Q = m_{\Psi_Q}^2/m_{\Phi}^2$ ,  $y_\ell = m_{\Psi_\ell}^2/m_{\Phi}^2$ , respectively. Moreover, we have introduced the abbreviation

$$\mathcal{N}^{-1} = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \,. \tag{3.4}$$

The dimensionless loop functions are defined as

$$F(x,y) = \frac{1}{(1-x)(1-y)} + \frac{x^2 \log x}{(1-x)^2(x-y)} + \frac{y^2 \log y}{(1-y)^2(y-x)},$$
  

$$G(x,y) = \frac{1}{(1-x)(1-y)} + \frac{x \log x}{(1-x)^2(x-y)} + \frac{y \log y}{(1-y)^2(y-x)},$$
(3.5)

and simplify in the limit of equal masses to

$$F(1,1) = \frac{1}{3}, \qquad G(1,1) = -\frac{1}{6}.$$
 (3.6)

The SU(2)- and SU(3)-factors  $\eta$ ,  $\eta^{M}$  and  $\chi$ ,  $\chi^{M}$  are tabulated<sup>4</sup> in table 1 and table 2, respectively. The term involving the *G*-function in eq. (3.3) stems from the crossed box and is only present if  $\Psi$  ( $\Phi$ ) is a Majorana fermion (real scalar). If  $\Psi$  ( $\Phi$ ) is a Dirac fermion (complex scalar),  $\chi^{M}$  and  $\eta^{M}$  are zero. We have cross-checked our formulae eq. (3.3) against ref. [63] where results had been given for the gluino-squark and the chargino-squark box in Supersymmetry, corresponding to our representations C-I and A-IV, respectively.

The photon penguin induces a contribution to  $C_9$ , whereas it does not generate  $C_{10}$  because of the vectorial coupling of the photon to muons. For the cases a) and b), the  $C_9$  contribution reads

$$C_{9}^{\gamma,a)} = \mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_{s}\Gamma_{b}^{*}}{2m_{\Psi}^{2}} \chi_{7} \left[ \eta_{7}F_{9}(x_{Q}) - \widetilde{\eta}_{7}G_{9}(x_{Q}) \right], \qquad C_{9}^{\gamma,b)} = \mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_{s}\Gamma_{b}^{*}}{2m_{\Phi}^{2}} \chi_{7} \left[ \widetilde{\eta}_{7}\widetilde{F}_{9}(y_{Q}) - \eta_{7}\widetilde{G}_{9}(y_{Q}) \right], \tag{3.7}$$

with

$$F_{9}(x) = \frac{-2x^{3} + 6\log x + 9x^{2} - 18x + 11}{36(x-1)^{4}}, \qquad \widetilde{F}_{9}(x) = x^{-1}F_{9}(x^{-1}),$$

$$G_{9}(x) = \frac{7 - 36x + 45x^{2} - 16x^{3} + 6(2x-3)x^{2}\log x}{36(x-1)^{4}}, \quad \widetilde{G}_{9}(x) = x^{-1}G_{9}(x^{-1}).$$
(3.8)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Note that for both the SU(3) and the SU(2) generators we use the canonical normalization  $[T^b, T^b] = \delta^{ab}/2$ , and that we do not absorb a normalization factor into the couplings  $\Gamma_b, \Gamma_s, \Gamma_{\mu}$ . This convention has to be kept in mind when comparing for instance with SUSY results in the literature since Supersymmetry dictates the normalization of the gluino-squark-quark coupling to be  $\sqrt{2g_sT_{ij}^a}$ .

SU(2)	$\eta$	$\eta^{\rm M}=\eta^{\rm M}_{B\bar{B}}$	$\eta_L$	$\eta_L^{\rm M}$	$\eta_{B\bar{B}}$	$\eta_7$	$\widetilde{\eta}_7$	$\eta_8$	$\eta_{a_{\mu}}$	$\widetilde{\eta}_{a_{\mu}}$	$\eta_3$	$\widetilde{\eta}_3$
Ι	1	1	1	1	1	$-\frac{1}{3} + X$	-X	1	-1 + X	-X	1	0
II	1	_	0	—	1	$\frac{1}{6} + X$	$-\frac{1}{2} - X$	1	$-\frac{1}{2} + X$	$-\frac{1}{2}-X$	0	1
III	5/16	_	1/4	—	5/16	$-\frac{3}{8}+\frac{3}{4}X$	$\frac{1}{8} - \frac{3}{4}X$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$-\frac{7}{8}+\frac{3}{4}X$	$\frac{1}{8} - \frac{3}{4}X$	1	$-\frac{1}{4}$
IV	5/16	1/16	1/16	5/16	5/16	$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}X$	$-\tfrac{1}{2}-\tfrac{3}{4}X$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$-\frac{1}{4}+\frac{3}{4}X$	$-\frac{1}{2}-\frac{3}{4}X$	$-\frac{1}{4}$	1
V	1/4	_	1/2	—	5/16	$-\tfrac{3}{8} + \tfrac{3}{4}X$	$\frac{1}{8} - \frac{3}{4}X$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$-\frac{1}{2} + X$	$-\frac{1}{2} - X$	0	1
VI	1/4	_	1/2	_	1	$\frac{1}{6} + X$	$-\frac{1}{2} - X$	1	$-\frac{7}{8} + \frac{3}{4}X$	$\frac{1}{8} - \frac{3}{4}X$	1	$-\frac{1}{4}$

Table 1. Table of the SU(2)-factors entering the Wilson coefficients for the various processes. Results are given for the six representations I-VI defined in eq. (2.4).

SU(3)	$\chi = \chi_7$	$\chi^{\rm M}$	$\chi_{B\bar{B}}$	$\chi^{\rm M}_{B\bar{B}}$	$\chi_8$	$\widetilde{\chi}_8$	$\chi_{a_{\mu}} = \chi_Z$
A	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
B	1	_	1	_	0	1	3
C	4/3	4/3	11/18	1/9	-1/6	3/2	8
D	4/3	_	11/18	_	3/2	-1/6	3

**Table 2**. Table of the SU(3)-factors entering the Wilson coefficients for the various processes. Results are given for the four representations A-D defined in eq. (2.4).

In the simplifying limit of equal masses we have

$$F_9(1) = -\frac{1}{24}, \qquad G_9(1) = \frac{1}{8}.$$
 (3.9)

The terms proportional to  $F_9$  and  $\widetilde{F}_9$  in eq. (3.7) stem from the diagram where the photon is emitted by the scalar  $\Phi_{(Q)}$ , whereas the terms proportional to  $G_9$  and  $\widetilde{G}_9$  stem from the diagram where the photon is emitted by the fermion  $\Psi_{(Q)}$ . The SU(2)- and SU(3)-factors  $\eta_7$ ,  $\tilde{\eta}_7$  and  $\chi_7$  can again be read off from tables 1 and 2. In the case where the new scalar and the new fermion are singlets under SU(2),  $\eta_7$  and  $\tilde{\eta}_7$  are simply given by the charges of the new particles,  $\tilde{\eta}_7 = q_{\Psi}$  and  $\eta_7 = q_{\Phi_Q} = -1/3 - q_{\Psi}$  for case a),  $\tilde{\eta}_7 = q_{\Phi}$  and  $\eta_7 = q_{\Psi_Q} = -1/3 - q_{\Phi}$ for case b). For higher SU(2) representations,  $\eta_7$  and  $\tilde{\eta}_7$  in addition take care of summing the contributions from each isospin component of the new particles. For the representations C-I and A-IV, the results of eq. (3.7) have again been checked against ref. [63].

Unlike the box contribution, the photon penguin does not involve the muon coupling  $\Gamma_{\mu}$  but exclusively depends on the combination  $\Gamma_s \Gamma_b^* / m_{\Psi(\Phi)}^2$  constrained from  $b \to s\gamma$  and  $B_s - \overline{B_s}$  mixing. We will explicitly demonstrate in section 4 that the resulting bounds, together with the requirement of perturbative couplings  $\Gamma_s$  and  $\Gamma_b$ , typically render  $C_9^{\gamma}$  negligibly small. The same statement applies to the Wilson coefficient  $C_7$  of the magnetic operator operator  $\mathcal{O}_7$  (discussed in section 3.4) that contributes to  $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$  transitions in the effective theory via tree-level photon exchange. Therefore, to a good approximation a solution of the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  anomalies must proceed in our model via the pattern  $C_9 =$ 

 $C_9^{\text{box}} + C_9^{\gamma} \simeq C_9^{\text{box}} \equiv -C_{10}^{\text{box}} = -C_{10}$  and  $C_7 \ll C_9$ . The current bounds on the generic scenario  $C_9 = -C_{10}$ , obtained from the combined fit to  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data, are [13, 64]

$$-0.81 \le C_9 = -C_{10} \le -0.51 \quad (\text{at } 1\,\sigma), -0.97 \le C_9 = -C_{10} \le -0.37 \quad (\text{at } 2\,\sigma), -1.14 \le C_9 = -C_{10} \le -0.23 \quad (\text{at } 3\,\sigma).$$
(3.10)

These ranges are consistent with the ones determined in ref. [65].

# $3.2 \quad B o K^{(*)} u ar{ u}$

Following ref. [66], we write the relevant effective Hamiltonian as

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\nu_i \nu_j} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* C_L^{ij} \mathcal{O}_L^{ij}, \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{O}_L^{ij} = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} [\bar{s} \gamma^\mu P_L b] [\bar{\nu}_i \gamma_\mu \left(1 - \gamma^5\right) \nu_j]. \quad (3.11)$$

Due to SU(2) invariance,  $b \to s\nu\bar{\nu}$  is linked to  $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$ , implying

$$C_{L}^{22,a)} = \mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_{s}\Gamma_{b}^{*}|\Gamma_{\mu}|^{2}}{32\pi\alpha_{\rm EM}m_{\Psi}^{2}} \left(\chi\eta_{L}F\left(x_{Q},x_{\ell}\right) + 2\chi^{\rm M}\eta_{L}^{\rm M}G\left(x_{Q},x_{\ell}\right)\right) ,$$
  

$$C_{L}^{22,b)} = -\mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_{s}\Gamma_{b}^{*}|\Gamma_{\mu}|^{2}}{32\pi\alpha_{\rm EM}m_{\Phi}^{2}} \left(\chi\eta_{L} - \chi^{\rm M}\eta_{L}^{\rm M}\right)F\left(y_{Q},y_{\ell}\right) ,$$
(3.12)

with the functions F and G defined in eq. (3.5) and  $\eta_L$ ,  $\eta_L^M$  and  $\chi$ ,  $\chi^M$  given in tables 1 and 2.

Since the different neutrino flavors in the decays  $B \to K^{(*)} \nu \bar{\nu}$  are not distinguished experimentally, the total branching ratio, normalized to its SM prediction, reads

$$R_{K^{(*)}}^{\nu\bar{\nu}} = \frac{\sum_{i,j=1}^{3} \left| C_L^{\text{SM}} \delta^{ij} + C_L^{ij} \right|^2}{3 \left| C_L^{\text{SM}} \right|^2}, \qquad (3.13)$$

where  $C_L^{\text{SM}} \approx -1.47/\sin^2 \theta_w = -6.35$  with  $\theta_w$  being the weak mixing angle. The current experimental limits for  $B \to K^{(*)} \nu \bar{\nu}$  are [66] (at 90 % C.L.)

$$R_K^{\nu\bar{\nu}} < 4.3, \qquad R_{K^*}^{\nu\bar{\nu}} < 4.4.$$
 (3.14)

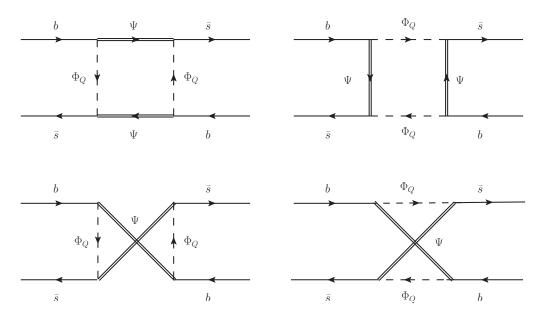
While  $C_L^{22}$ , given in eq. (3.12), involves the muonic coupling  $\Gamma_{\mu}$ , any other coefficient  $C_L^{ij}$ with  $(i, j) \neq (2, 2)$  would depend on the couplings  $\Gamma_e$ ,  $\Gamma_{\tau}$  of the new particles to electrons or tauons. Since we do not want to make any assumptions on the size of these couplings, we will implement the bound from  $B \to K^{(*)}\nu\bar{\nu}$  according to

$$\left|1 + \frac{C_L^{22}}{C_L^{\text{SM}}}\right|^2 \le \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \left|\delta^{ij} + \frac{C_L^{ij}}{C_L^{\text{SM}}}\right|^2 \le 3R_{K^{(*)}}^{\nu\bar{\nu}} \le 12.9 \quad (\text{at } 90\% \text{ C.L.}), \tag{3.15}$$

leading to the following bound on  $C_L^{22}$ :

$$-16.5 \le C_L^{22} \le 29.2$$
 (at 90% C.L.). (3.16)

Since this constraint is more than an order of magnitude weaker than the bound in eq. (3.10) on the SU(2)-related coefficient  $C_9$  of  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$ , we will not consider it in our numerical analysis.



**Figure 3.** Loop contributions to  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing in the case *a*). The crossed diagrams only exist if  $\Psi$  is a Majorana fermion. The case *b*) is obtained by the replacement  $\Psi \to \Phi_Q$  and  $\Phi_Q \to \Psi$ .

# 3.3 $B_s - \overline{B}_s$ mixing

Contributions to  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing arise from box diagrams mediated in models of class a) by the fermion  $\Psi$  and the scalar  $\Phi_Q$  and in models of class b) by the fermion  $\Psi_Q$  and the scalar  $\Phi$  (see figure 3). If  $\Psi$  is a Majorana fermion (or  $\Phi$  is a real scalar), also the corresponding crossed boxes have to be taken into account. Since the new particles only couple to left-handed SM fermions, the effective Hamiltonian only involves one operator:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{B\bar{B}} = C_{B\bar{B}}(\bar{s}_{\alpha}\gamma^{\mu}P_{L}b_{\alpha})\left(\bar{s}_{\beta}\gamma^{\mu}P_{L}b_{\beta}\right),\tag{3.17}$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are color indices. The NP contribution to the Wilson coefficient reads

$$C_{B\bar{B}}^{a)} = \frac{(\Gamma_{s}\Gamma_{b}^{*})^{2}}{128\pi^{2}m_{\Psi}^{2}} \left(\chi_{B\bar{B}}\eta_{B\bar{B}}F\left(x_{Q}, x_{Q}\right) + 2\chi_{B\bar{B}}^{M}\eta_{B\bar{B}}^{M}G\left(x_{Q}, x_{Q}\right)\right) ,$$

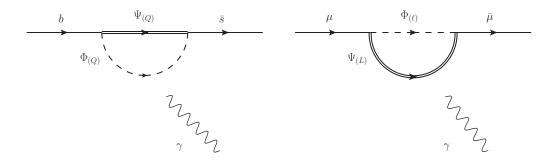
$$C_{B\bar{B}}^{b)} = \frac{(\Gamma_{s}\Gamma_{b}^{*})^{2}}{128\pi^{2}m_{\Phi}^{2}} \left(\chi_{B\bar{B}}\eta_{B\bar{B}} - \chi_{B\bar{B}}^{M}\eta_{B\bar{B}}^{M}\right)F\left(y_{Q}, y_{Q}\right) ,$$
(3.18)

with the loop functions F and G defined in eq. (3.5) and  $\eta_{B\bar{B}}$ ,  $\eta^{\rm M}_{B\bar{B}}$  and  $\chi_{B\bar{B}}$ ,  $\chi^{\rm M}_{B\bar{B}}$  given in tables 1 and 2. For the representations C-I and A-IV, eq. (3.18) agrees with the results of ref. [67] for the gluino-squark and the chargino-squark boxes.

To derive bounds on the Wilson coefficient  $C_{B\bar{B}}(\mu_H)$ , we define the ratio

$$R_{\Delta B_s} = \frac{\Delta M_{B_s}^{\exp}}{\Delta M_{B_s}^{SM}} - 1 = \frac{C_{B\bar{B}}(\mu_H)}{C_{B\bar{B}}^{SM}(\mu_H)}.$$
(3.19)

For the SM prediction  $\Delta M_{B_s}^{\text{SM}}$ , we use  $C_{B\bar{B}}^{\text{SM}}(\mu_H) \simeq 8.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{TeV}^{-2}$  at  $\mu_H = 2m_W$ , together with the recent lattice results of ref. [68] for the hadronic matrix element  $f_{B_s}^2 B_{B_s}$ . With this



**Figure 4.** Loop contributions to  $b \to s\gamma$  and the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon.

input, we find  $R_{\Delta B_s} = -0.09 \pm 0.08$ , i.e. the experimental value  $\Delta M_{B_s}^{\exp}$  is below the SM prediction  $\Delta M_{B_s}^{SM}$  by about  $1\sigma$ . Note that the lattice results of ref. [68] have not yet been included in the 2016 FLAG report [69]. They are compatible with the FLAG average [69] but are supposed to be more precise by roughly a factor two. As an updated average of  $f_{B_s}^2 B_{B_s}$  from FLAG, including also [68], is not yet available, we directly use ref. [68] for our numerical analysis. For the bound on  $C_{B\bar{B}}(\mu_H)$  we finally get<sup>5</sup>

$$C_{B\bar{B}}(\mu_H) \in [-2.1, 0.6] \times 10^{-5} \,\text{TeV}^{-2} \quad (\text{at } 2\,\sigma), C_{B\bar{B}}(\mu_H) \in [-2.8, 1.3] \times 10^{-5} \,\text{TeV}^{-2} \quad (\text{at } 3\,\sigma).$$
(3.20)

Note that the  $SU(2)_L$  symmetry of the SM links the up-type couplings  $\Gamma_u$  to the downtype couplings through a CKM rotation. Therefore, non-vanishing couplings to up-quarks are generated in our model, namely

$$\Gamma_u = V_{us}\Gamma_s + V_{ub}\Gamma_b$$
 and  $\Gamma_c = V_{cs}\Gamma_s + V_{cb}\Gamma_b$ . (3.21)

These couplings control the size of the contributions to  $D_0 - D_0$  mixing. The corresponding coefficient  $C_{D\bar{D}}$  is obtained from  $C_{B\bar{B}}$  by replacing  $\Gamma_s \to \Gamma_u$  and  $\Gamma_b \to \Gamma_c$  in eq. (3.18).

Since a precise SM prediction for  $D_0 - \bar{D}_0$  is lacking, we constrain the NP contribution to  $C_{D\bar{D}}$  by the requirement that it does not generate a larger mass difference than the one measured experimentally:

$$\begin{aligned} |C_{D\bar{D}}(\mu_H)| &< 2.7 \times 10^{-7} \,\text{TeV}^{-2} \quad (\text{at } 2\,\sigma), \\ |C_{D\bar{D}}(\mu_H)| &< 3.4 \times 10^{-7} \,\text{TeV}^{-2} \quad (\text{at } 3\,\sigma) \,. \end{aligned}$$
(3.22)

To obtain these bounds, we used the recent results for the  $D_0 - \overline{D}_0$  system in ref. [70] and lattice inputs from ref. [71].

#### 3.4 $b \rightarrow s\gamma$

In our models,  $b \to s\gamma$  is affected by NP contributions to the effective Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{\rm eff}^{\gamma} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* (C_7 \mathcal{O}_7 + C_8 \mathcal{O}_8) \,, \qquad (3.23)$$

<sup>5</sup>By using the 2016 FLAG average [69] we would get  $C_{B\bar{B}}(\mu_H) \in [-2.3, 1.6] \times 10^{-5} \text{ TeV}^{-2}$  (at  $2\sigma$ ).

with

$$\mathcal{O}_7 = \frac{e}{16\pi^2} m_b \bar{s} \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_R b F_{\mu\nu} , \qquad \mathcal{O}_8 = \frac{g_s}{16\pi^2} m_b \bar{s}_\alpha \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_R T^a_{\alpha\beta} b_\beta G^a_{\mu\nu} . \qquad (3.24)$$

Here,  $F_{\mu\nu}$  and  $G^a_{\mu\nu}$  are the field strength tensors of the photon and the gluon field, respectively. While the operator  $\mathcal{O}_7$  generates the process  $b \to s\gamma$  at tree-level, the operator  $\mathcal{O}_8$ contributes via its QCD mixing into  $\mathcal{O}_7$ .

In the cases a) and b) we find the Wilson coefficients

$$C_7^{a)} = \mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_s \Gamma_b^*}{2m_\Psi^2} \chi_7 \left[ \eta_7 F_7(x_Q) - \widetilde{\eta}_7 \widetilde{F}_7(x_Q) \right], \quad C_8^{a)} = \mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_s \Gamma_b^*}{2m_\Psi^2} \eta_8 \left[ \chi_8 F_7(x_Q) - \widetilde{\chi}_8 \widetilde{F}_7(x_Q) \right], \tag{3.25}$$

and

$$C_7^{b)} = \mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_s \Gamma_b^*}{2m_\Phi^2} \chi_7 \left[ \widetilde{\eta}_7 \widetilde{F}_7 \left( y_Q \right) - \eta_7 F_7 \left( y_Q \right) \right], \quad C_8^{b)} = \mathcal{N} \frac{\Gamma_s \Gamma_b^*}{2m_\Phi^2} \eta_8 \left[ \widetilde{\chi}_8 \widetilde{F}_7 \left( y_Q \right) - \chi_8 F_7 \left( y_Q \right) \right].$$

$$(3.26)$$

The loop functions are given by

$$F_7(x) = \frac{x^3 - 6x^2 + 6x\log x + 3x + 2}{12(x-1)^4}, \qquad \widetilde{F}_7(x) = x^{-1}F_7(x^{-1}), \qquad (3.27)$$

taking the value  $F_7(1) = \tilde{F}_7(1) = 1/24$  in the limit of equal masses. For the SU(2)- and SU(3)-factors  $\eta_7, \tilde{\eta}_7, \eta_8$  and  $\chi_7, \chi_8, \tilde{\chi}_8$  we refer the reader to tables 1 and 2 as usual. As in the case of  $C_9^{\gamma}$ , we identify  $\tilde{\eta}_7, \eta_7$  with the charges of the new particles if they are SU(2) singlets. Our results of  $C_{7,8}$  for the representations C-I and A-IV are in agreement with the ones of refs. [72, 73] for the gluino-squark and the chargino-squark contributions in Supersymmetry.

The most recent experimental result [74] and SM prediction [75] for the branching ratio of  $b \to s\gamma$  are given by

$$Br^{exp}[b \to s\gamma] = (3.43 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-4},$$
  
$$Br^{SM}[b \to s\gamma] = (3.36 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-4}.$$

In order to implement the constraint from  $b \to s\gamma$  on the NP coefficients  $C_7, C_8$  (defined at the high scale  $\mu_H = 2m_W$ ), we introduce the ratio<sup>6</sup>

$$R_{b\to s\gamma} = \frac{\mathrm{Br}^{\mathrm{exp}}[b\to s\gamma]}{\mathrm{Br}^{\mathrm{SM}}[b\to s\gamma]} - 1 = -2.45 \ [C_7(\mu_H) + 0.24 \ C_8(\mu_H)]$$
(3.28)

where the combination  $C_7 + 0.24 C_8$  takes into account QCD effects [75]. Adding the statistical and the systematic experimental error in quadrature, and combining it linearly with the theory error linearly, we find  $-0.17 \le R_{b\to s\gamma} \le 0.24$  at the  $2\sigma$  level, being equivalent to

$$-0.098 \le C_7(\mu_H) + 0.24 C_8(\mu_H) \le 0.070 \quad (2\,\sigma)\,. \tag{3.29}$$

 $<sup>{}^{6}</sup>C_{7,8}$  in eqs. (3.25), (3.26) are given in the same sign convention as  $C_{7,8}^{\text{SM}}$  in ref. [75], where  $C_{7}^{\text{SM}}(\mu_{H}) = -0.197$  and  $C_{8}^{\text{SM}}(\mu_{H}) = -0.098$  at leading order in QCD.

#### 3.5 Anomalous magnetic moment of the muon

The anomalous magnetic moment (AMM) of the muon,  $a_{\mu} \equiv (g-2)_{\mu}/2$ , also receives a NP contribution in our setup. Using the effective Hamiltonian (see for example [76])

$$\mathcal{H}_{\rm eff}^{a_{\mu}} = -a_{\mu} \frac{e}{4m_{\mu}} (\bar{\mu}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\mu) F_{\mu\nu}, \qquad (3.30)$$

we find

$$\Delta a_{\mu}^{a)} = \frac{m_{\mu}^{2} |\Gamma_{\mu}|^{2}}{8\pi^{2} m_{\Psi}^{2}} \chi_{a_{\mu}} \left[ \eta_{a_{\mu}} F_{7}(x_{\ell}) - \widetilde{\eta}_{a_{\mu}} \widetilde{F}_{7}(x_{\ell}) \right],$$

$$\Delta a_{\mu}^{b)} = \frac{m_{\mu}^{2} |\Gamma_{\mu}|^{2}}{8\pi^{2} m_{\Phi}^{2}} \chi_{a_{\mu}} \left[ \widetilde{\eta}_{a_{\mu}} \widetilde{F}_{7}(y_{\ell}) - \eta_{a_{\mu}} F_{7}(y_{\ell}) \right].$$
(3.31)

The group factors  $\eta_{a_{\mu}}$ ,  $\tilde{\eta}_{a_{\mu}}$  and  $\chi_{a_{\mu}}$  are again given in tables 1 and 2. If the new particles are SU(2) singlets, we have  $\tilde{\eta}_{a_{\mu}} = q_{\Psi}$  and  $\eta_{a_{\mu}} = q_{\Phi_{\ell}} = -1 - q_{\Psi}$  for case a), and  $\tilde{\eta}_{a_{\mu}} = q_{\Phi}$  and  $\eta_{a_{\mu}} = q_{\Psi_{\ell}} = -1 - q_{\Phi}$  for case b). Our result for  $\Delta a_{\mu}$  has been cross-checked for the representation A-IV by comparison with the chargino-squark and the neutralino-squark results in refs. [77, 78].

The experimental value of  $a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} = (116\,592\,091\pm54\pm33) \times 10^{-11}$  (where the first error is statistical and the second systematic) is completely dominated by the Brookhaven experiment E821 [79]. The SM prediction is given by [80–88]  $a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}} = (116\,591\,855\pm59) \times 10^{-11}$ , where almost the entire uncertainty is due to hadronic effects. The difference between the SM prediction and the experimental value,

$$\Delta a_{\mu} = a_{\mu}^{\exp} - a_{\mu}^{SM} = (236 \pm 87) \times 10^{-11}, \qquad (3.32)$$

amounts to a  $2.7\sigma$  deviation.<sup>7</sup>

The measurement of  $R_K$  by LHCb hints towards lepton-flavour universality violation. In global fits to the full set of  $b \to s\ell^+\ell^-$  data this manifests itself as a preference for scenarios with NP contributions  $|C_9^e| \ll |C_9^{\mu}|$  [13, 65]. In our model this pattern transforms into  $|\Gamma_e| \ll |\Gamma_{\mu}|$ , and for simplicity we assume  $\Gamma_e = 0$  in our phenomenological analysis. In the presence of a non-zero  $\Gamma_e$ , the transition  $\mu \to e\gamma$  is generated in a similar manner as  $a_{\mu}$  and the measured branching ratio sets a constraint on the product  $\Gamma_{\mu}\Gamma_e^*$ .

The decay  $\mu \to e\gamma$  is described by the effective Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\mu \to e\gamma} = -C_{\mu \to e\gamma} m_{\mu} (\bar{e} \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_R \mu) F_{\mu\nu}, \qquad (3.33)$$

from which the branching ratio is obtained according to

$$\operatorname{Br}\left(\mu \to e\gamma\right) = \frac{m_{\mu}^{5}}{4\pi} \tau_{\mu} |C_{\mu \to e\gamma}|^{2}, \qquad (3.34)$$

where  $\tau_{\mu}$  denotes the life-time of the muon. In our models, the Wilson coefficient  $C_{\mu \to e\gamma}$  is directly related to the NP contribution to the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon as

$$C_{\mu \to e\gamma} = \frac{e}{m_{\mu}^2} \frac{\Gamma_e^*}{\Gamma_{\mu}^*} \Delta a_{\mu}.$$
(3.35)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Less conservative estimates lead to discrepancies up to  $3.6 \sigma$ .

The experimental upper limit [89] is currently given by

$$\operatorname{Br}^{\operatorname{exp}}\left(\mu \to e\gamma\right) \le 4.2 \times 10^{-13},\tag{3.36}$$

which translates into

$$|m_{\mu}^{2}|C_{\mu\to e\gamma}| < 3.9 \times 10^{-15} \tag{3.37}$$

for the Wilson coefficient. The relation eq. (3.35) between  $a_{\mu}$  and  $\mu \to e\gamma$  then implies that a solution of anomaly in  $a_{\mu}$  requires a strong suppression of  $\Gamma_e$  with respect to  $\Gamma_{\mu}$ . Already a minimal shift  $\Delta a_{\mu} = 61 \times 10^{-11}$ , as needed to reduce the tension from 2.7 $\sigma$  to 2.0 $\sigma$ , is consistent with the bound from  $\mu \to e\gamma$  only for  $|\Gamma_e/\Gamma_{\mu}| < 2 \times 10^{-5}$ .

## 3.6 $Z\mu^+\mu^-$ coupling

Exchanging the photon in the diagrams of figure 4 with the Z boson, effective  $Zq_i\bar{q}_j$  and  $Z\mu^+\mu^-$  vertices are generated. Note that our model does not break the SU(2)<sub>L</sub> symmetry of the SM and that the Z boson acts like a U(1)<sub>Z</sub> gauge boson in neutral-current processes in the absence of SU(2)<sub>L</sub>-breaking sources. For this reason the QED Ward identity holds for the NP corrections to the  $Zq_i\bar{q}_j$  and  $Z\mu^+\mu^-$  vertices and it follows that the vertex correction and the fermionic field renormalization for on-shell fermions cancel in the limit  $q^2 \to 0$  with q being the momentum carried by the (off-shell) Z boson.<sup>8</sup> This implies that the NP contribution exhibits a  $q^2/m_{\Psi(\Phi)}^2$  suppression when the vertex is probed for  $q^2 \ll m_{\Psi(\Phi)}^2$ , rendering the Z-penguin contribution irrelevant for B decays where  $q^2 = \mathcal{O}(m_b^2)$ . At LEP, however, the couplings of the Z boson have been measured for  $q^2 = M_Z^2$  and the less severe suppression of the NP contribution at this scale together with the high precision of the LEP data could lead to relevant constraints for the model.

The LEP bounds are most important for the  $Z\mu^+\mu^-$  coupling because this coupling has been determined most accurately and, moreover, the corrections involve the coupling  $\Gamma_{\mu}$  which is required to be large to solve both the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  and the  $a_{\mu}$  anomalies. As mentioned above, the Z boson behaves like a heavy photon in the Z penguin contribution and the corresponding formula is thus related to the one of the photon penguin in eq. (3.7). The correction proportional to  $|\Gamma_{\mu}|^2$  to the left-handed  $Z\mu^+\mu^-$  coupling is given by

$$\frac{\delta g_{L\,\mu}^{a)}}{g_{L\,\mu}^{SM}}(q^2) = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \left(\frac{1}{1-2s_W^2}\right) \frac{q^2}{m_\Psi^2} |\Gamma_\mu|^2 \chi_Z \left[\eta_Z F_9(x_\ell) - \widetilde{\eta}_Z G_9(x_\ell)\right],$$

$$\frac{\delta g_{L\,\mu}^{b)}}{g_{L\,\mu}^{SM}}(q^2) = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \left(\frac{1}{1-2s_W^2}\right) \frac{q^2}{m_\Psi^2} |\Gamma_\mu|^2 \chi_Z \left[\widetilde{\eta}_Z \widetilde{F}_9(y_\ell) - \eta_Z \widetilde{G}_9(y_\ell)\right],$$
(3.38)

where  $\eta_Z = \eta_3 + 2s_W^2 \eta_{a_{\mu}}$  and  $\tilde{\eta}_Z = \tilde{\eta}_3 + 2s_W^2 \tilde{\eta}_{a_{\mu}}$ . The group factors  $\chi_Z, \eta_3, \tilde{\eta}_3$  are again given in tables 1 and 2, and we have introduced the abbreviation  $s_W = \sin \theta_W$  with  $\theta_W$  being the weak mixing angle. For the representation A.II in case a) (A.I in case b)), our model generates the same NP contribution to the  $Z\mu^+\mu^-$  coupling as the model considered in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>The correction to the self-energy of the Z boson does not cancel but involves the weak gauge coupling and not the potentially large new couplings  $\Gamma_{b,s,\mu}$ .

$\xi_{B\bar{B}}$	Ι	II	III	IV	V	VI
A	1 (0)	1	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$ $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$	$\frac{5}{16}$	1
B	1	1	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	1
C	$\frac{11}{18}$ $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$	$\frac{11}{18}$	$\frac{55}{288}$	$\frac{55}{288}  \left(\frac{53}{288}\right)$	$\frac{55}{288}$	$\frac{11}{18}$
D	$\frac{11}{18}$	$\frac{11}{18}$	$\frac{55}{288}$	$\frac{55}{288}$	$\frac{55}{288}$	$\frac{11}{18}$

$\xi_9^{\mathrm{box}}$	Ι	II	III	IV	V	VI
A	1 (0)	1	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$ $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
B	1	1	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
C	$\frac{4}{3}$ (0)	$\frac{4}{3}$	$\frac{5}{12}$	$\frac{5}{12}$ $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
D	$\frac{4}{3}$	$\frac{4}{3}$	$\frac{5}{12}$	$\frac{5}{12}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$

**Table 3.** Group factor for  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing and  $C_9^{\text{box}}$  for the case equal masses. The number in brackets are for the case of Majorana fermions or real scalars.

ref. [32], and we explicitly cross-checked our formulae eq. (3.38) for this special case against the corresponding formula in [32].

From the LEP measurement [90]  $g_{L\mu}^{\exp}(m_Z^2) = -0.2689 \pm 0.0011$  we infer the following bound at the  $2\sigma$  level:

$$\left| \frac{\delta g_{L\,\mu}}{g_{L\,\mu}^{\rm SM}} (m_Z^2) \right| \le 0.8\% \quad (2\sigma). \tag{3.39}$$

#### 4 Phenomenological analysis

The processes described in the previous section depend in our models on five independent free parameters: the product of couplings  $\Gamma_s^*\Gamma_b$  and the absolute value of the coupling  $|\Gamma_{\mu}|$ , as well as the three masses  $m_{\Psi(\Phi)}$ ,  $m_{\Phi_Q(\Psi_Q)}$ ,  $m_{\Phi_\ell(\Psi_\ell)}$ . The decay  $b \to s\gamma$  and  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$ mixing, both exclusively related to the quark sector, are experimentally and theoretically very precise observables and thus set stringent constraints on the subspace spanned by  $\Gamma_s^*\Gamma_b$ and  $m_{\Psi(\Phi)}$ ,  $m_{\Phi_Q(\Psi_Q)}$ . In this section we will address the question whether these constraints still allow to choose  $|\Gamma_{\mu}|$  and  $m_{\Phi_\ell(\Psi_\ell)}$  in such way that a solution of the anomalies in  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  and  $a_{\mu}$  is provided.

Since the loop functions that appear in the Wilson coefficients are smooth functions of the squared mass ratios, the general phenomenological features can in a first approximation be studied in the limit of equal masses  $m_{\Psi(\Phi)} = m_{\Phi_Q(\Psi_Q)} = m_{\Phi_\ell(\Psi_\ell)}$ , reducing the number of free parameters from five to three. The corresponding analysis will be presented in section 4.1. An exception occurs if  $\Psi$  is a Majorana fermion: in this case we encounter negative interference between the loop functions F and G in the coefficient  $C_{B\overline{B}}$  which can be used to avoid or to weaken the stringent bound from  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing in a setup with unequal masses of the new particles. This possibility will be discussed in section 4.2.

#### 4.1 Degenerate masses: $m_{\Psi(\Phi)} = m_{\Phi_Q(\Psi_Q)} = m_{\Phi_\ell(\Psi_\ell)}$

Under the assumption of equal masses  $m_{\Psi(\Phi)} = m_{\Phi_Q(\Psi_Q)} = m_{\Phi_\ell(\Psi_\ell)}$ , both setups a) and b) give identical results for all Wilson coefficients and we can discuss them together. We will denote the common mass as  $m_{\Psi}$  in the following. As a benchmark point we will assume a mass of 1 TeV which is save with respect to direct LHC searches from Run I and current Run II data. The collider signature of our model is similar to the one of sbottom searches in the MSSM if the fermion is not charged under QCD and electrically neutral. The corresponding mass limits at the LHC with 13 TeV can reach up to 800 GeV from Atlas and CMS [91, 92]. Note further that the limits strongly depend on the embedding of the set-up in a more complete theory and that the bounds can be expected to be significantly weaker in our case since we assume approximately degenerate  $m_{\Psi(\Phi)} \approx m_{\Phi_O(\Psi_O)} \approx m_{\Phi_\ell(\Psi_\ell)}$ .<sup>9</sup>

It turns out that  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing imposes very stringent constraints in the  $(\Gamma_s^* \Gamma_b, m_{\Psi})$ plane. This is caused by the fact that  $C_{B\bar{B}}$  is positive and thus increases  $\Delta M_{B_s}$ , pushing it even further away from the experimental central value. At  $2\sigma$ , we find

$$|\Gamma_s^* \Gamma_b| \le 0.15 \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi_{B\bar{B}}}} \frac{m_{\Psi}}{1 \,\text{TeV}},$$
(4.1)

where the combinatorial factor  $\xi_{B\bar{B}} = \chi_{B\bar{B}}\eta_{B\bar{B}} - \chi_{B\bar{B}}^M\eta_{B\bar{B}}^M$ , tabulated in table 3, can weaken the bound at most by a factor  $1/\sqrt{(\xi_{B\bar{B}})_{\min}} \approx 2.3$ . The constraint heavily affects the photon penguin contributions to  $C_7$  and  $C_9^{\gamma}$  which depend on the same free parameters  $\Gamma_s^*\Gamma_b$ and  $m_{\Psi}$ . In the most favorable representation, and allowing for hypercharges  $X \in [-1, +1]$ , we find these contributions to be completely negligible:

$$|C_7 + 0.24C_8| \le 0.018 \, \frac{1 \,\text{TeV}}{m_{\Psi}}, \qquad |C_9^{\gamma}| \le 0.02 \, \frac{1 \,\text{TeV}}{m_{\Psi}}.$$
 (4.2)

As discussed in section 3.3, the CKM-induced couplings  $\Gamma_{u,c}$  (see eq. (3.21)) lead to additional constraints from  $D_0 - \bar{D}_0$  mixing. Since the impact of  $\Gamma_b$  entering through  $\Gamma_u$  and  $\Gamma_c$  from eq. (3.21) is suppressed by small CKM factors ( $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$ , respectively), the constraint from  $D_0 - \bar{D}_0$  mixing can be reduced in a scenario with  $|\Gamma_b| > |\Gamma_s|$ . The choice  $|\Gamma_b| \sim 1$  and  $|\Gamma_s| \sim 0.35$  saturates the bound from  $B_s - \bar{B}_s$  mixing on the product  $\Gamma_s^*\Gamma_b$ , while it leads to a suppression by a factor  $|V_{us}|^2|\Gamma_s|^2 \sim 5 \times 10^{-3}$  of  $C_{D\bar{D}}$  with respect to  $C_{B\bar{B}}$ . The constraint on  $C_{D\bar{D}}$  given in eq. (3.22) is then automatically fulfilled once the constraint on  $C_{B\bar{B}}$  from eq. (3.22) is imposed.

In the case of the box contribution to  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$ , the coupling  $\Gamma_{\mu}$  enters as an additional free parameter, limited to values  $\Gamma_{\mu} \leq \mathcal{O}(1)$  in order to ensure perturbativity. The  $2\sigma$ -bound from  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing constraints  $C_9^{\text{box}} = -C_{10}^{\text{box}}$  to

$$|C_9^{\text{box}}| \le 0.05 \, \frac{\xi_9^{\text{box}}}{\sqrt{\xi_{B\bar{B}}}} \, |\Gamma_\mu|^2 \, \frac{1 \,\text{TeV}}{m_\Psi} \,,$$

$$(4.3)$$

with the group factors  $\xi_9^{\text{box}} = \chi \eta - \chi^M \eta^M$  given in table 3. Considering the maximum value of the ratio  $\xi_9^{\text{box}}/\sqrt{\xi_{B\bar{B}}}$ , namely  $4\sqrt{2/11} \simeq 1.7$  for the representations C-I, C-II and D-I, D-II, we find from eq. (4.3) that a solution of the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  anomalies at the  $2\sigma$ -level requires a rather large coupling

$$|\Gamma_{\mu}| \ge 2.1 \sqrt{\frac{m_{\Psi}}{1 \,\text{TeV}}} \,. \tag{4.4}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>The non-degenerate case can actually give a rich phenomenology still allowing mass limits well below 1 TeV (see ref. [60] for an analysis of Run I data). We will consider LHC limits in more detail in a future work including final Run II results.

Let us now turn to the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon. In the limit of equal masses, the NP contribution is given by

$$\Delta a_{\mu} = \pm (5.8 \times 10^{-12}) \, \xi_{a_{\mu}} \, |\Gamma_{\mu}|^2 \, \left(\frac{1 \, \text{TeV}}{m_{\Psi}}\right)^2 \,, \tag{4.5}$$

with  $\xi_{a_{\mu}} = \chi_{a_{\mu}}(\eta_{a_{\mu}} - \tilde{\eta}_{a_{\mu}})$  in table 4. The plus applies to case a) while the minus applies to case b). In order to end up with a value for  $a_{\mu}$  that falls within the experimental  $2\sigma$  range, a positive NP contribution  $\Delta a_{\mu} = 6.2 \times 10^{-10}$  is needed to have constructive interference with the SM. This in turn implies the need for a positive (negative) group factor  $\xi_{a_{\mu}}$  for case a) (b)), which can be accomplished for all representations by choosing an appropriate hypercharge  $X \in [-1, +1]$ . Selecting the representation C-II or C-V (C-I) and maximizing the effect in the anomalous magnetic moment by setting X = 1 (X = -1), we find  $\xi_{a_{\mu}} = 16$ ( $\xi_{a_{\mu}} = -24$ ) and that  $a_{\mu}$  can be brought into agreement with the experimental measurement at the  $2\sigma$ -level for

$$|\Gamma_{\mu}| \ge 2.6(2.1) \, \frac{m_{\Psi}}{\text{TeV}} \,.$$
(4.6)

We see that both the tensions in  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data and in the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon,  $a_{\mu}$ , can be reduced below the  $2\sigma$  level for NP masses at the TeV scale and a coupling  $|\Gamma_{\mu}| \geq 2.1$ . In light of this large value one might wonder, wether the LEP bounds on the  $Z\mu^+\mu^-$  coupling discussed in section 3.6 could become relevant. Evaluation of eq. (3.38) gives

$$\frac{\delta g_{L\,\mu}}{g_{L\,\mu}^{\rm SM}}(m_Z^2) = -0.0006\% \,\xi_Z \,|\Gamma_\mu|^2 \,\left(\frac{1\,{\rm TeV}}{m_\Psi}\right)^2, \qquad (4.7)$$

with  $\xi_Z = \chi_Z(\eta_Z/3 + \tilde{\eta}_Z)$  in case a) and  $\xi_Z = \chi_Z(\tilde{\eta}_Z/3 + \eta_Z)$  in case b). For  $|X| \leq 1$ , the group factor maximally reaches  $\xi_Z \sim 10$  and the correction to the  $Z\mu^+\mu^-$  vertex thus stays two orders of magnitude below the experimental sensitivity at LEP (see eq. (3.39)) for masses of the new particle at the TeV scale.

In order to decide, whether a coupling  $\Gamma_{\mu}$  of size  $|\Gamma_{\mu}| \geq 2.1$  is still viable, it is further instructive to study the scale of the Landau pole of this coupling at the one-loop level. This scale signals the break-down of the perturbative regime. Therefore, it provides an upper limit on the UV cut-off beyond which the theory needs to be complemented with new degrees of freedom if perturbativity shall be conserved. The Landau pole is obtained by evaluation of the renormalization-group equations (RGEs), which were determined at two loop for Yukawa couplings in a general quantum field theory e.g. in refs. [61, 93, 94]. For Yukawa-like couplings beyond the SM, the RGEs depend on the representations of the new particles under the SM gauge group. We studied the issue of the Landau pole for our models by implementing some of the possible scenarios in the public code SARAH [95] and found that the running is dominated by  $\mathcal{O}(\Gamma_{\mu}^2)$  corrections. For  $|\Gamma_{\mu}| \leq 2.4$ , the respective terms in the RGE lead to a Landau pole at  $\gtrsim 10^3$  TeV.

In the case of  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$ , the requirement of a large coupling  $|\Gamma_{\mu}| \ge 2.1$  is a consequence of the tight constraint from  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing, and we will discuss in the following the possibility to relax this constraint by considering non-degenerate masses for the new particles.

$\xi_{a_{\mu}}$	Ι	II	III	IV	V	VI
A	2X - 1	2X	$\frac{3}{2}X - 1$	$\frac{1}{4}(6X+1)$	2X	$\frac{3}{2}X - 1$
B	6X - 3	6X	$\frac{9}{2}X - 3$	$\tfrac{3}{4}(6X+1)$	6X	$\frac{9}{2}X - 3$
				12 X + 2		
D	6X - 3	6X	$\frac{9}{2}X - 3$	$\tfrac{3}{4}(6X+1)$	6X	$\frac{9}{2}X - 3$

**Table 4**. Group factors for the various representations entering the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon.

#### 4.2 Majorana case with non-degenerate masses

In this section, we address the question whether the impact of the constraint from  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing can be reduced by considering a non-degenerate spectrum for the masses of the new particles. In the model classes a) and b), the Wilson coefficient  $C_{B\bar{B}}$  for  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing is proportional to the function

$$H^{a)}(m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi}) = \chi_{B\bar{B}}\eta_{B\bar{B}}F(x_Q, x_Q) + 2\chi^{M}_{B\bar{B}}\eta^{M}_{B\bar{B}}G(x_Q, x_Q),$$
  

$$H^{b)}(m_{\Psi_Q}/m_{\Phi}) = (\chi_{B\bar{B}}\eta_{B\bar{B}} - \chi^{M}_{B\bar{B}}\eta^{M}_{B\bar{B}})F(y_Q, y_Q),$$
(4.8)

with  $x_Q = m_{\Phi_Q}^2/m_{\Psi}^2$  and  $y_Q = m_{\Psi_Q}^2/m_{\Phi}^2$ . Note that both loop functions F and G have a smooth behavior with respect to their arguments and never switch sign. Therefore, a reduction of the effect in  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing by varying the mass ratio  $m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi}$  or  $m_{\Psi_Q}/m_{\Phi}$ is only possible through a (partial) cancellation between the F- and G-term in the function H. Such a cancellation can only occur in the model class a) with the additional condition of  $\Psi$  being a Majorana fermion because in all other cases only one loop-function F is present. Among the various representations, only four permit the Majorana option: A-I, A-IV, C-I and C-IV. In figure 5 we show the function  $H^a(m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi})$  for these four representations in the Majorana case. Each of the curves has a zero-crossing, given by  $m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi} = 1, 0.11, 0.13$  for A-I, A-IV and C-I, respectively, while it lies outside the plotted range for C-IV.

Obviously, choosing a mass configuration that corresponds to the zero of of the function H completely avoids any constraint from  $\Delta F = 2$  processes. Let us study the consequences for the representation A-I where this situation occurs for  $m_{\Psi} = m_{\Phi_Q}$ . Note that the mass  $m_{\Phi_{\ell}}$  of the scalar  $\Phi_{\ell}$  has to be split from the one of the other two particles in order to get a non-vanishing contribution to  $C_9^{\text{box}}$ . Under the simplifying assumption  $|\Gamma_b| = |\Gamma_s| = |\Gamma_{\mu}|$ , we show in figure 6 as a function of  $m_{\Phi_{\ell}}/m_{\Psi}$  the generic coupling size needed to explain the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data. We see that the larger space available in  $\Gamma_s^*\Gamma_b$  in the absence of the bound from  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing, allows to obtain a solution at the  $2\sigma$  level for a generic coupling size of  $|\Gamma_b| = |\Gamma_s| = |\Gamma_{\mu}| \gtrsim 1.6$  for a mass splitting  $m_{\Phi_{\ell}}/m_{\Psi} \gtrsim 2$  and  $m_{\Psi} \sim 1$  TeV. The Majorana property of  $\Psi$  constrains the photon penguin contribution because it fixes  $q_{\Psi} = 0$  and  $q_{\Phi_Q} = -1/3$ , leading to

$$C_7 = -C_9^{\gamma} = -0.005 V_{ts}^* V_{tb} \left(\frac{1 \,\text{TeV}}{m_{\Psi}}\right)^2.$$
(4.9)

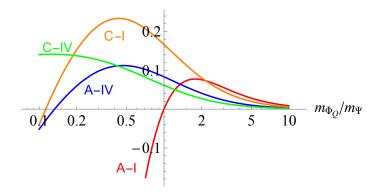


Figure 5. The function  $H^{a}$   $(m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi})$  entering  $C_{B\bar{B}}$  for the four Majorana representations A-I, A-IV, C-I and C-IV. Note that representation C-IV only has a zero crossing for very small values of  $m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi}$  outside the plot range.

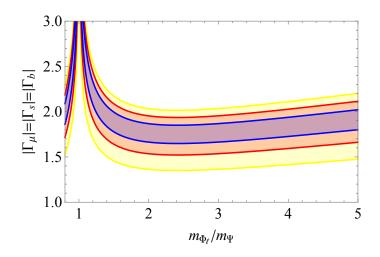
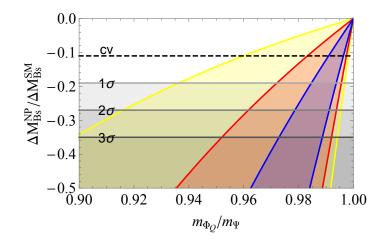


Figure 6. Allowed regions for the coupling strength to muon, bottom and strange quarks from  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data as a function of  $m_{\Phi_\ell}/m_{\Psi}$  for case A-I in scenario a) with  $m_{\Phi_Q} = m_{\Psi} = 1$  TeV. Blue, red and yellow correspond to  $1 \sigma$ ,  $2 \sigma$  and  $3 \sigma$ , respectively.

For  $|\Gamma_b|, |\Gamma_s| < 3$  and  $m_{\Psi} = 1$  TeV, we encounter values  $|C_7| = |C_9^{\gamma}| < 0.044$ , which are too small to have a relevant impact.

In the case  $m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi} < 1$ , a negative NP contribution to  $\Delta M_{B_s}$  is generated, as preferred by current lattice data. This is illustrated in figure 7 where the effect on  $\Delta M_{B_s}$ is shown as a function of  $m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi}$ , assuming that the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  anomalies are accounted for by our model. An improvement in  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing can be achieved simultaneously with a solution of the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  anomalies if a small mass splitting  $0.98 \lesssim m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi} \lesssim 1.0$  is introduced.



**Figure 7.** Allowed regions in the  $m_{\Phi_Q}/m_{\Psi}-\Delta M_{B_s}^{\rm NP}/\Delta M_{B_s}^{\rm SM}$  plane from  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data for  $m_{\Phi_\ell} = 2 \, m_{\Psi} = 2 \, \text{TeV}$  and  $\Gamma_{\mu} = 2$ . Blue, red and yellow corresponds to  $1 \, \sigma$ ,  $2 \, \sigma$  and  $3 \, \sigma$ , respectively. The regions below the gray lines are excluded by currant  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing data at the denoted  $\sigma$  level and the dotted line is the current central value.

#### 5 Conclusions

In this article we have studied the effects of new heavy scalars and fermions on  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^$ processes in a systematic way, aiming at an explanation of the observed deviations from the SM expectations. We investigated the two distinct cases of:

- a) one additional fermion  $\Psi$  and two additional scalars  $\Phi_Q$  and  $\Phi_\ell$ .
- b) two additional fermions  $\Psi_Q$  and  $\Psi_\ell$  and one additional scalar  $\Phi$ .

In both cases the additional particles interact with left-handed *b*-quaks, *s*-quarks and muons via Yukawa-like couplings  $\Gamma_b$ ,  $\Gamma_s$  and  $\Gamma_{\mu}$ , respectively. Such a scenario is phenomenologically well motivated as it leads (to a good approximation) to the pattern  $C_9 = -C_{10}$  for the relevant Wilson coefficients, capable of improving the global agreement with  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^$ data by more than  $4\sigma$ . Considering representations up to the adjoint one under the SM gauge group, we classified all possible combinations of representations for the new particles that are allowed by charge conservation in the new Yukawa-type vertices (24 for each case a) and b)). In this setup, we calculated the NP contributions to  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  processes,  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing,  $b \to s\gamma$ ,  $b \to s\nu\bar{\nu}$  and the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon  $a_{\mu}$ , expressing the results in terms of loop functions times the group factors for the various representations (collected in tables).

In our numerical analysis we found that the constraints from  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing are very stringent due to the new lattice data favoring destructive interference with the SM. In our models, the contributions to  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing typically interferes constructively with the SM. A solution of the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  anomalies at the  $2\sigma$  level can only be obtained if a rather large muon coupling,  $|\Gamma_{\mu}| \gtrsim 2.1$  for masses of the new particles at the TeV scale, compensates the tight bounds on  $\Gamma_s^*\Gamma_b$ . The constraints from  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing can be avoided in models of class a) under the additional condition of  $\Psi$  being a Majorana fermion. Among the four representations that permit this situation, one features an exactly vanishing constribution to  $B_s - \overline{B}_s$  mixing for degenerate masses  $m_{\Phi_q} = m_{\Psi}$ . For this representation, the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data can be accounted for at the  $2\sigma$  level with a coupling size  $|\Gamma_b| = |\Gamma_s| = |\Gamma_{\mu}| \gtrsim 1.6$  if  $m_{\Phi_q} \gtrsim m_{\Psi}$ . The contribution that our models generate to the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon  $a_{\mu}$  only depend on the muon coupling  $\Gamma_{\mu}$ . An explanation of the long-standing anomaly in  $a_{\mu}$  at the  $2\sigma$  level again requires rather large values  $|\Gamma_{\mu}| \gtrsim 2.1$  for this coupling, requiring the presence of additional new particles at a scale  $\lesssim 10^3$  TeV or below in order to guarantee perturbativity of the theory.

As our model with the minimal number of new particles (three) gives rise to a  $C_9 = -C_{10}$  solution for  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  data,  $B_s \to \mu^+\mu^-$  is predicted to be below SM expectations. Therefore, a SM-like branching ratio for  $B_s \to \mu^+\mu^-$  would lead to the requirement of more then three new particles in order to explain the  $b \to s\mu^+\mu^-$  anomalies via a loop effect involving heavy fermions and scalars.

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