

Light-cone distribution amplitudes for Λ_b baryons

and applications in QCDF, SCET and sum rules

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particle physics phenomenology
after the Higgs discovery



- Many **precision tests of flavour sector** from B -meson decays:
 - CKM unitarity triangle
 - CP violation in quark sector
 - constraints on NP in rare decays and meson mixing
 - hints on LFU violation
 - ...
 - help to sharpen theory tools (QCDF, SCET, LCSRs, Lattice, ...)
- Why could **baryonic decay modes** (still) be interesting?
 - b -baryons produced and analyzed at hadron colliders:
increasing information from experiment (LHCb, ...)
 - baryons are fermions with half-integer spin:
complementary observables for phenomenology (angular observables,...)
 - baryons contain (at least) two spectators:
independent input from theory (hadronic structure of baryons, ...)

But: Baryons are more challenging for theory than Mesons!

This Talk:

- focus on properties of the Λ_b baryon
- discuss $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda$ form factors as an example
(relevant for $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda \ell^+ \ell^-$ analyses)

LCDAs for Λ_b baryons



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[Ball/Braun/Gardi 2008] [Ali et al. 2012] [Parkhomenko 2017]

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Simple(st) Models for LCDAs in momentum space

[see e.g. Bell/TF/Wang/Yip 2013]

- Fourier transform $\tau_{1,2} \rightarrow \omega_{1,2} = n \cdot k_{1,2}$ (light-cone momenta of spectator quarks)
- exponential fall-off for $\omega \equiv (\omega_1 + \omega_2) \rightarrow \infty$, trivial shape in $u \equiv \frac{\omega_1}{\omega}$:

$$\phi_2(\omega_1, \omega_2) \rightarrow \frac{u(1-u)\omega^2}{\omega_0^4} e^{-\omega/\omega_0}, \quad \phi_4(\omega_1, \omega_2) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\omega_0^4} e^{-\omega/\omega_0}$$

and

$$\phi_3^S(\omega_1, \omega_2) \rightarrow \frac{\omega}{2\omega_0^3} e^{-\omega/\omega_0}, \quad \phi_3^\sigma(\omega_1, \omega_2) \rightarrow \frac{(2u-1)\omega}{2\omega_0^3} e^{-\omega/\omega_0}$$

- with a free parameter $\omega_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$ (reference scale for spectator momenta)

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- Estimates for the decay constants from sum rules [Groote/Körner/Yakovlev 1997]

$$f_{\Lambda_b}^{(1)} \simeq f_{\Lambda_b}^{(2)} \approx 0.032 \text{ GeV}^3 \quad (\text{at } \mu_0 = 1 \text{ GeV})$$

1-loop RG equation for the LCDA ϕ_2 :

[Ball/Braun/Gardi 2008]

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\phi_2(\omega_1, \omega_2; \mu)}{d \ln \mu} = & - \left[\Gamma_{\text{cusp}}(\alpha_s) \ln \frac{\mu}{\sqrt{\omega_1 \omega_2}} + \gamma_+(\alpha_s) \right] \phi_2(\omega_1, \omega_2; \mu) \\ & - \frac{\omega_1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\eta_1 \Gamma_+(\omega_1, \eta_1, \alpha_s) \phi_2(\eta_1, \omega_2; \mu) \\ & - \frac{\omega_2}{2} \int_0^\infty d\eta_2 \Gamma_+(\omega_2, \eta_2, \alpha_s) \phi_2(\omega_1, \eta_2; \mu) \\ & + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \int_0^1 dv V^{\text{ERBL}}(u, v) \phi_2(v\omega, \bar{v}\omega; \mu) \end{aligned}$$

where $\bar{u} = 1 - u$ and $\bar{v} = 1 - v$.

- first 3 terms generalize the **Lange-Neubert kernel**, known from the B -meson LCDAs
- last term contains the **Brodsky-Lepage kernel**, known from light meson LCDAs

LN and ERBL kernel cannot simply be diagonalized simultaneously!

(... after all, it's a genuine 3-body problem)

Primary effect from $\Gamma_{\text{cusp}}, \Gamma_+ \Rightarrow$ treat $V_{\text{ERBL}}(u, v)$ as a perturbation:

- LN kernel is diagonalized by modified Bessel functions: [Bell/TF/Wang/Yip 2013]

$$\eta_2(s_1, s_2) \equiv \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega_1}{\omega_1} \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega_2}{\omega_2} \sqrt{\frac{\omega_1 \omega_2}{s_1 s_2}} J_1(2\sqrt{\omega_1 s_1}) J_1(2\sqrt{\omega_2 s_2}) \phi_2(\omega_1, \omega_2)$$

such that

$$\left. \frac{d\eta_2(s_1, s_2; \mu)}{d \ln \mu} \right|_{\text{LN}} = - [\Gamma_{\text{cusp}}(\alpha_s) \ln(\mu \sqrt{s_1 s_2}) + \gamma_+(\alpha_s)] \eta_2(s_1, s_2; \mu)$$

- (A) Use truncated expansion of V_{ERBL} in terms of its eigenfunctions (Gegenbauer polynomials), and diagonalize a finite-dim. matrix. [Belle/TF/Wang/Yip 2013]
- (B) Use conformal symmetry techniques to turn the RGE into a Hamiltonian problem that can be studied semi-numerically. [Braun/Derkachov/Manashov 2014]

QCD factorization for $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda$



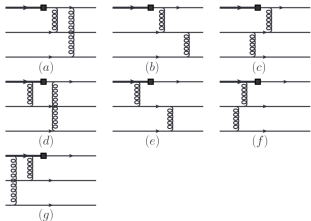
Application of Λ_b LCDAs in QCD Factorization

Consider $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda$ form factors in the large recoil limit: ($E_\Lambda \sim m_b/2$, $q^2 \ll m_b^2$)

- Only one single form factor (instead of a priori 10) [TF/Yip 2011, Mannel/Wang 2011]

$$\langle \Lambda(p') | \bar{s} \Gamma_i b | \Lambda_b(p) \rangle \simeq C_i \xi_\Lambda(E) [\bar{u}_\Lambda(p') \Gamma_i u_{\Lambda_b}(p)] + (\text{power corr.})$$

- leading-power contribution is factorizable, but small: [W. Wang 2011]



- factorizable contribution involves LCDAs

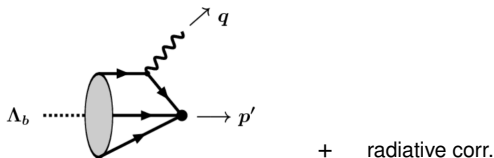
$$\begin{aligned} \xi_{\Lambda_b}(E) \Big|_{\text{fact.}} &= \alpha_s^2 f_{\Lambda_b} f_\Lambda [\phi_{\Lambda_b} \otimes T_h \otimes \phi_\Lambda] \\ &\simeq \mathcal{O}(0.01) \end{aligned}$$

- at sub-leading power, endpoint-divergent convolution integrals appear
→ soft (non-factorizable) contributions
suppressed by $1/m_b$, but enhanced by $1/\alpha_s^2$

Sum rule for $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda$ in SCET



Calculation of soft contribution to $\xi_\Lambda(E)$:

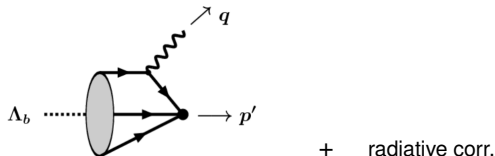


- study correlation function with **interpolating current for light Λ baryon in SCET**
- LO expression factorizes as

$$\Pi_\Lambda(n \cdot p') \simeq \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\underbrace{\omega_1 + \omega_2 - n \cdot p' - i\epsilon}_{\text{"hard-collinear"}}} \underbrace{\phi_4(\omega_1, \omega_2)}_{\text{"soft"}} d\omega_1 d\omega_2$$

where $(p')^2 = (n \cdot p')(\bar{n} \cdot p') < 0$ with $(\bar{n} \cdot p') = 2E$ and $(n \cdot p') \sim \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$

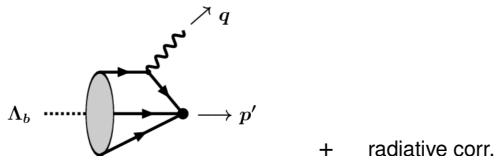
Calculation of soft contribution to $\xi_\Lambda(E)$:



- dispersion relations \leftrightarrow model for the spectral density:
 Λ -pole \oplus hadronic continuum above effective threshold s_0
- reduce sensitivity to continuum model \rightarrow Borel trafo with parameter M^2

$$\text{LO sum rule: } e^{-m_\Lambda^2/M^2} (2E) f_\Lambda \xi_\Lambda(E) \approx f_{\Lambda_b}^{(2)} \int_0^{s_0/2E} d\omega \omega \int_0^1 du \phi_4(\omega_1, \omega_2)$$

Calculation of soft contribution to $\xi_\Lambda(E)$:



- numerical analysis requires
 - values for the Λ and Λ_b "decay constants"
 - hadronic parameter $\omega_0 \sim \text{few } 100 \text{ MeV}$ that controls endpoint behaviour of ϕ_4 for $\omega \rightarrow 0$
 - "reasonable windows" for threshold s_0 and Borel param. M^2
 - uncertainties from higher-order radiative corrections
- first-order estimate:

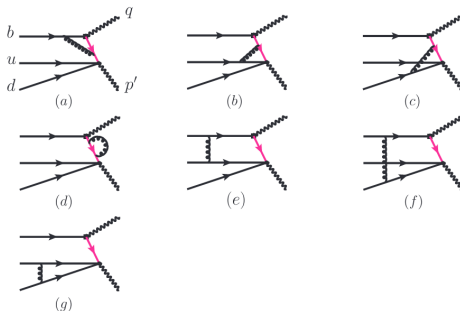
$$\xi_\Lambda(E_{\max}) \Big|_{\text{soft}} \approx 0.2 - 0.5$$

yields **larger values than factorizable contribution!**

Higher-order radiative corrections in SCET sum rules

[Wang/Shen 2015]

Perturbative corrections to hard-collinear function in SCET correlator:



- factorization scale-dependence under control
- resummation of Sudakov logs associated to radiation from hard-collinear quark
- numerical effect tends to decrease the value of ξ_Λ compared to LO estimate by about 50%

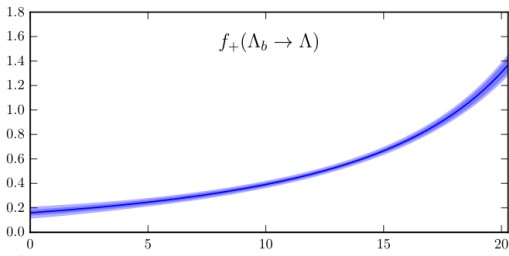
(analogous discussion for $B \rightarrow \pi$ and $B \rightarrow \rho$ sum rules in [De Fazio/TF/Hurth 2007])

Comparison with Lattice-QCD



- form factors extracted at relatively small recoil ($q^2 > 0.6 \cdot q_{\text{max}}^2$)
- extrapolated to $q^2 = 0$ using "z-expansion"
- find consistent results with sum-rule estimates, with values for all 10 form factors around

$$f_i(q^2 = 0) \simeq 0.2$$



Summary/Conclusions



LCDAs and Form Factors of Λ_b -Baryon

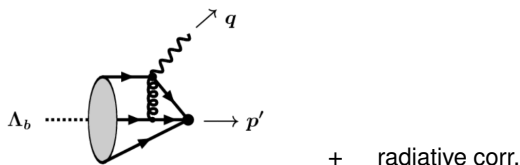
- Λ_b described in terms of **four 3-particle LCDAs**
(B -meson: two 2-particle LCDAs)
 - **normalization** ("decay constants") and **shape** rather uncertain
(B -meson: f_B well studied, information on shape from $B \rightarrow \gamma \ell \nu$)
 - approximate solutions for **RG evolution at 1-loop**
(B -meson: exact solutions at 2-loop)
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- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda$ **form factors factorize** for large recoil at leading power in $1/m_b$, but **numerically sub-leading** ($\mathcal{O}(\alpha_f^\xi)$)
($B \rightarrow \pi$ FF: endpoint div. in QCDF at leading power)
 - form factors can be estimated from **(SCET) sum rules** for large recoil
 - comparison with **lattice QCD** for small recoil via **"z-expansion"**

Outlook

- improve knowledge on Λ_b LCDAs from phenomenological studies
- estimate contributions from hadronic operators in rare $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda \ell^+ \ell^-$ decays

Backup Slides





- Defined by SCET-1 matrix elements:

$$\langle \Lambda(p', s') | \bar{\xi}_{hc} \tilde{\Gamma} g A_{\mu}^{\perp} h_v | \Lambda_b(v, s) \rangle \equiv M_{\Lambda_b} \Delta \xi_{\Lambda}(E) \bar{u}_{\Lambda}(p', s') \gamma_{\mu}^{\perp} \tilde{\Gamma} u_{\Lambda_b}(v, s)$$

where transition current contains an **extra hard-collinear gluon field**

- Perform the same analysis as for soft FF – ratio scales as

$$\frac{\Delta \xi_{\Lambda}(E)}{\xi_{\Lambda}(E)} \sim \alpha_s \frac{\omega_0}{M_{\Lambda}} \frac{2E}{M_{\Lambda_b}}$$

numerically suppressed by α_s and $\omega_0/m_{\Lambda} \rightarrow$ negligible for phenomenology