# Leptonic & semileptonic exclusive decays (form factors and HQET constraints)

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# **Outline**

- Leptonic CC and FCNC decays
- Semileptonic CC decays
- Form factor determination
- z-Expansion & unitarity bounds
- Heavy-to-heavy form factors in HQET

# Main motivation: Determination of $|V_{cb}|$ and $|V_{ub}|$



Leptonic 
$$|V_{ub}|$$
  
 $\mathcal{B} \propto |V_{ub}|^2 f_B^2 \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_B^2}$ 

- ▶ f<sub>B</sub> = B-meson decay constant
- ▶ helicity-suppression → difficult experimentally



$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline \textbf{Exclusive} & |V_{ub}| \\ \hline \overline{B} \to \pi \ell \overline{\nu}_{\ell}, \Lambda_b \to \rho \ell \overline{\nu}_{\ell} \\ \text{future } B_s \to K \ell \overline{\nu}_{\ell} \\ \hline \hline \frac{d\mathcal{B}}{dq^2} \propto & |V_{qb}|^2 \ t^2(q^2) \otimes d\Pi(q^2) \end{array} \end{array}$$

►  $f^2(q^2) \otimes d\Pi(q^2)$  = form factors  $\otimes$  phase space

exclusive = low background in experiment

#### **EFT** for $\boldsymbol{b} \rightarrow \boldsymbol{q} \, \ell \, \overline{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_{\ell}$

... from previous results of  $\mu \rightarrow e\overline{\nu}_e \nu_\mu$  and  $b \rightarrow s c\overline{c}$  follows in SM analogously:



!!! in principle each  $C_{V_L}Q_{V_L} \rightarrow C_{V_L}^{q\ell\nu}Q_{V_L}^{q\ell\nu}$  should carry indices for  $q, \ell, \nu_{\ell'}$ 

- show here also gauge interactions L<sub>QCD×QED</sub> of quarks and leptons
- in SM only a single operator Q<sub>V</sub>
- in SM the result  $C_{V_l}^{SM}(\mu_W) = 1$  is lepton-flavor-universal
- ▶ no RG running under QCD  $\Rightarrow C_{V_l}^{SM}(\mu_b) = C_{V_l}^{SM}(\mu_W) + O(\alpha_e)$
- ► EW matching corrections and QED RG evolution from  $\mu_W \rightarrow \mu_b$ "Sirlin correction":  $C_{V_l}^{SM}(\mu_b) = 1 + \frac{\alpha_e}{\pi} \ln \frac{m_Z}{\mu_b} \approx 1.007$

[Sirlin NPBB 196 (1982) 83]

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Bq meson decay constant

$$\langle 0 | \overline{q} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma_5 b | \overline{B}_q(p_B) \rangle \equiv i f_{B_q} p_B^{\mu}$$

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SM predictions (neglecting uncertainties from  $m_{\ell}$ ,  $m_{B_{u}}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}_{F}$ ): for  $|V_{ub}| = 3.615 \cdot 10^{-3}$ 

$$\mathcal{B}_{\rm SM}^{\ell} = 2.551 \left( 1 \pm 0.002 |_{\tau_B} \pm 0.015 |_{t_B} \right) \times |V_{ub}|^2 \times m_{\ell}^2 \beta_{\ell}^2 = \begin{cases} 8.71 \cdot 10^{-12} \quad \ell = e \\ 3.72 \cdot 10^{-7} \quad \ell = \mu \\ 9.34 \cdot 10^{-5} \quad \ell = \tau \end{cases}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  current hadronic uncertainty allow for  $\delta |V_{ub}| \sim 1\%$ , provided experimental uncertainty < 1%

 $\mathcal{B}_{exp}^{\tau} = (10.9 \pm 2.4) \cdot 10^{-5}, \quad \mathcal{B}_{exp}^{\mu} \in [2.9, 1.1] \cdot 10^{-7} @ 90\% \, CL, \quad \mathcal{B}_{exp}^{\theta} < 9.8 \cdot 10^{-7} @ 90\% \, CL$ 

# Leptonic FCNC decays $B_q \rightarrow \ell \overline{\ell}$ (q = d, s)



▶ at LO EW & all orders in QCD, only one operator has non-zero hadronic matrix element

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}\times\text{QED}} + \frac{4\mathcal{G}_F}{\sqrt{2}}\frac{\alpha_e}{4\pi}V_{tb}V_{tq}^*C_{10}Q_{10}, \qquad Q_{10} = [\overline{q}\gamma_{\mu}P_Lb][\overline{\ell}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma_5\ell]$$
  
similar to  $b \to q\ell\overline{\nu}_\ell$ :  $\left\langle \ell^+\ell^-|Q_{10}|\overline{B}_q \right\rangle \to f_{B_q}(2m_\ell)[\overline{\ell}\gamma_5\ell]$ 

• other semileptonic operator  $Q_9 = [\overline{q}\gamma_\mu P_L b][\overline{\ell}\gamma^\mu \ell]$ 

In SM one-loop Matching

 $\left\langle \ell^+ \ell^- \left| Q_9 \right| \overline{B}_q(p_B) \right\rangle \ \propto \ f_{B_q} \, p_B^\mu \times \left[ \overline{u}(p_\ell) \gamma_\mu v(p_{\overline{\ell}}) \right] \ \propto \ f_{B_q} \left[ \overline{u}(p_\ell) (\not p_\ell + \not p_{\overline{\ell}}) v(p_{\overline{\ell}}) \right] \ \stackrel{\text{EOM}}{=} \ 0$ 

•  $C_{10} = C_{10}(m_t/m_W) + O(\alpha_s, \alpha_s^2, \alpha_e)$  higher orders are known + no RG under QCD

[Inami/Lim Prog.Theor.Phys. 65 (1981) 297]

# $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \ell \overline{\ell}$ – theory status

#### **Branching ratio**

$$\mathcal{B}_{q\ell} \propto \tau_{B_q} \mathcal{G}_F^2 \alpha_{\theta}^2 \times \left(\frac{2m_{\ell}}{m_{B_q}}\right)^2 \times \left| V_{tb} V_{tq}^* \right|^2 \left( \left(f_{B_q}^{(0)}\right)^2 \right) \times \left| C_{10} + \frac{\alpha_{\theta}}{4\pi} \mathcal{A}_{\text{NLO}} \right|^2$$

- helicity suppression
- CKM to be determined
- ▶ Bq decay constant in pure QCD from lattice

 $f_{B_d}$  = (189.4 ± 1.4) MeV  $f_{B_s}$  = (230.7 ± 1.2) MeV [FNAL/MILC 1712.09262]

▶ LO amplitude ∝ C<sub>10</sub> at NNLO QCD & NLO EW

[Hermann/Misiak/Steinhauser 1311.1347, CB/Gorbahn/Stamou 1311.1348]

► NLO QED amplitude ~ 
$$C_{7,9}^{\text{eff}}$$
 III restricted to  $\ell = \mu$ , assuming  $m_{\mu} \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  power-enhanced  $m_b/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  from spectator-quark dynamics [Beneke/CB/Szafron 1708.09157]  
 $\Rightarrow$  factorization in SCET<sub>1+2</sub> and resummation between  $\mu \sim m_b \rightarrow \mu \sim m_\mu$ ,  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$   
 $+ f_{Bq}^{(0)}$  sufficient for power-enhanced  $\mathcal{A}_{\text{NLO}}$ , beyond new  $f_{Bq}^{(n)}$  required  
 $+$  combination with soft real-radiation for  $\Delta E \ll m_\mu$ ,  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  [Beneke/CB/Szafron 1908.07011]

#### $B_s \rightarrow \mu \bar{\mu}$ – uncertainty budget



- main parametric long-distance (f<sub>Bs</sub>) and short-distance (CKM and m<sub>t</sub>)
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Non-radiative rate time-integrated, use 
$$|V_{cb}|_{incl}$$
 [Beneke/CB/Szafron 1908.07011]  
 $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  [FLAG 1902.08191]  
 $\overline{\mathcal{B}}_{S\mu}^{(0)} = 3.660 \left(1 \pm 1.1\% \Big|_{t_{B_S}} \pm 3.1\% \Big|_{CKM} \pm 1.1\% \Big|_{m_t} \pm 0.6\% \Big|_{pmr} \pm 1.2\% \Big|_{non-pmr} + \frac{0.3}{-0.5}\% \Big|_{LCDA} \right) \cdot 10^{-9}$ 

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Sensitivity to  $|V_{tb}V_{ts}^*|$  with  $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  & assuming LHCb: 4% uncertainty with 300/fb [A. Puig @ LHCb Upgrade WS, LAPP, Annecy, 03/2018, LHCb 1208.3355]

$$\delta \overline{\mathrm{Br}}_{s\mu}^{(0)}\Big|_{\text{theory}} \approx 2.1\% + \delta \overline{\mathrm{Br}}_{s\mu}^{(0)}\Big|_{\text{LHCb 300/b}} \approx 4.0\% \Rightarrow \delta |V_{tb}V_{ts}^*| \approx 2.5\%$$
for comparison from  $b \to c\ell\bar{\nu}_{\ell}$ :  $\delta |V_{cb}|_{\text{incl}} = 1.5\%$  [Gambino/Healey/Turczyk 1606.06174]
$$\delta |V_{cb}|_{\text{excl}} = 2.2\%$$
 [Bordone/Jung/van Dyk 1908.09398]

# Semileptonic CC decays

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#### Observables

 $B \rightarrow P \ell \overline{\nu}_{\ell}$ 



$$B \to V(\to P_1 P_2) \,\ell \nu_\ell$$

$$\frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2\,d\cos\theta_\ell\,d\cos\theta_V\,d\chi}$$

 $\Lambda_b \to \Lambda_c (\to \Lambda \pi) \, \ell \overline{\nu}_\ell$ 



 $\Rightarrow$  angular distributions provide further observables  $F_L(q^2), A_{FB}(q^2), \dots$ 

LFU ratios

$$\mathcal{B}^{\ell\ell'}(M) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \to M \ell \,\overline{\nu}_{\ell})}{\mathcal{B}(B \to M \ell' \,\overline{\nu}_{\ell'})}$$

hadronic uncertainties cancel (especially in SM)

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**B** → **P**seudoscalar FF's → depend on momentum transfer  $q \equiv p - k = p_{\ell} + p_{\nu}$ 

$$\left\langle P(k) \left| \overline{q} \gamma_{\mu} b \left| B(p) \right\rangle = f_{+} \left( p + k \right)_{\mu} + \left[ f_{0} - f_{+} \right] \frac{m_{B}^{2} - m_{P}^{2}}{q^{2}} q_{\mu}, \qquad \left\langle P \left| \overline{q} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_{5} b \left| B \right\rangle = 0 \right. \right\rangle$$

q<sup>2</sup>-differential branching ratio

$$\frac{d\mathcal{B}}{dq^2} \propto \tau_B |V_{qb}|^2 \beta_\ell^2 |\vec{p}| \left[ m_B^2 |\vec{p}|^2 \left( 1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{2 q^2} \right)^2 (f_+)^2 + \frac{3 m_\ell^2}{8 q^2} (m_B^2 + m_P^2)^2 (f_0)^2 \right]$$

 $\Rightarrow \text{ only } f_+(q^2) \text{ relevant if } m_\ell \ll q^2 \ (\ell = e, \mu), f_0 \text{ important for } \ell = \tau \qquad \qquad \beta_\ell \equiv \sqrt{1 - m_\ell^2/q^2}$ 

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$$\langle P(k) | \overline{q} \gamma_{\mu} b | B(p) \rangle = f_{+}(p+k)_{\mu} + [f_{0} - f_{+}] \frac{m_{B}^{2} - m_{P}^{2}}{q^{2}} q_{\mu}$$

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Approximate relations among FFs in the Heavy-Quark limit  $m_b \rightarrow \infty$  valid up to  $\Lambda_{QCD}/m_b$ [lsgur/Wise PRD 42 (1990) 2388]

▶ different sets for a) Heavy-to-heavy  $(b \rightarrow c)$  (heavy = " $\Lambda_{QCD} \ll m_c \leq m_b$ ") b) Heavy-to-Light  $(b \rightarrow u, d, s)$  (light = " $m_a \leq \Lambda_{QCD}$ ")

▶ for heavy-to-light further "symmetries" in Large Recoil limit  $E_M \sim \frac{m_B}{2} \iff q^2 \to 0$ 

[Charles/Le Yaouanc/Oliver/Pene/Raynal hep-ph/9812358]

 $B \rightarrow V \text{ ector FF's}$ 

 $\langle V |$ 

$$\begin{split} \left\langle V(k,\eta) \left| \overline{q} \gamma_{\mu} b \left| \mathcal{B}(p) \right\rangle &= \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \eta^{*\nu} p^{\alpha} k^{\beta} \frac{2V}{m_{B} + m_{V}} \\ \left\langle V(k) \left| \overline{q} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_{5} b \left| \mathcal{B}(p) \right\rangle &= i \eta^{*\nu} \left\{ q_{\mu} q_{\nu} \frac{2m_{V}}{q^{2}} A_{0} + (m_{B} + m_{V}) \left[ g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{q^{\mu} q^{\nu}}{q^{2}} \right] A_{1} \\ &+ (m_{B} - m_{V}) \left[ q^{\mu} - \frac{q^{2}}{m_{B}^{2} - m_{V}^{2}} (p + k)_{\mu} \right] \frac{q_{\nu}}{q^{2}} A_{2} \right\} \\ V(k,\eta) \left| \overline{q} i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^{\nu} b \left| \mathcal{B}(p) \right\rangle &= \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \eta^{*\nu} p^{\alpha} k^{\beta} 2T_{1} \\ (k,\eta) \left| \overline{q} i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^{\nu} \gamma_{5} b \left| \mathcal{B}(p) \right\rangle &= i \eta^{*\nu} \left\{ \left[ g_{\mu\nu} (m_{B}^{2} - m_{V}^{2}) - (p + k)_{\mu} q_{\nu} \right] T_{2} + \left[ q^{\mu} - \frac{q^{2}}{m_{B}^{2} - m_{V}^{2}} (p + k)_{\mu} \right] q_{\nu} T_{3} \right\} \end{split}$$

▶ 7  $B \rightarrow V$  FFs: V = vector FF  $A_{1,2} = \text{axial-vector FFs}$  $A_0 = \text{scalar FF}$   $T_{1,2,3} = \text{tensor FFs}$ 

▶ kinematical constraint at  $q^2 = 0$ :  $A_0 = \frac{m_B + m_V}{2m_V}A_1 - \frac{m_B - m_V}{2m_V}A_2$  and  $T_1 = T_2$ 

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- ▶ 7  $B \rightarrow V$  FFs: V = vector FF  $A_{1,2} = \text{axial-vector FFs}$  $A_0 = \text{scalar FF}$   $T_{1,2,3} = \text{tensor FFs}$
- ▶ kinematical constraint at  $q^2 = 0$ :  $A_0 = \frac{m_B + m_V}{2m_V}A_1 \frac{m_B m_V}{2m_V}A_2$  and  $T_1 = T_2$
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 $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c$  FF's 3×vector FFs 3×axial-vector FFs and tensor FFs

Form factor determinations

# **Determination of FF's**

FFs calculated with nonperturbative methods

#### Light-Cone Sum Rules (LCSR)

- low  $q^2 = \text{large recoil}$
- ▶ two setup's with:
  - a) light-meson LCDA's
  - b) B-meson LCDA's



#### Lattice QCD (LQCD)

- ▶ high  $q^2$  = low recoil
- 1st principle for  $B \rightarrow P$
- Some appr. for B → V assume stable V

- calculate hadronic corr-function via:
  - a) using unitarity ⇒ dispersive
     representation involving form factor
  - b) light-cone OPE at  $q^2$  where applicable  $(q^2 \leq 0) \Rightarrow$  partons & perturbative
- sum rule obtained by maching both results and using (semi-global) quark-hadron duality

- numerical evaluation in discretized and finite space-time volume
- achieves nowadays uncertainties below 10% for  $B \rightarrow P$

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#### $B \rightarrow V$ form factors

1.0

Much "less solid" calculations for  $B \rightarrow V$  FFs:

(more appropriate for experimental detection via  $V \rightarrow P_1 P_2$  would be  $B \rightarrow P_1 P_2$  FFs)

- LQCD has to assume Vector meson to be stable (approx.)
- similar issues for LCSR

Experimentally  $B \to D^* \ell \overline{\nu}_{\ell}$  favoured  $\Rightarrow$  for  $V_{cb}$  the  $B \to D^*$  FFs are important

• currently LQCD provides only  $A_1$ at  $q_{max}^2 = (m_B - m_D^*)^2$ 

[FNAL/MILC 1403.0635, HPQCD 1711.11013]

- ► LCSR calculation done at q<sup>2</sup> = (-15, -10, -5, 0) GeV<sup>2</sup> for all V, A<sub>0,1,2</sub>, T<sub>1,2,3</sub>
- fitted to z-expansion:

EOS v0.2.3 D 1711.11013] = 0.4 0.4 0.2 -10 $q^2 [GeV^2]$  10

 $A_1^{B \to D^*}$ 

[Gubernari/Kokulu/van Dyk 1811.00983]

without [Khodjamirian/Mannel/Offen hep-ph/0611193]

LCSR + LQCD

# *z*-Expansions and unitarity bounds

Further reading: Textbook by

Irinel Caprini

"Functional Analysis and Optimization Methods in Hadron Physics"

[https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-18948-8]

#### FFs & dispersion relation

Introduced FFs as  $\overline{B} \rightarrow M$  matrix element

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with quark currents  $J^{\mu} \equiv [\overline{q}\gamma_{\mu} \dots b]$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  by crossing symmetry same function  $F(q^2)$ 

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They are part of 2-point correlation function

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}(q^2) = (q_{\mu}q_{\nu} - q^2g_{\mu\nu})\Pi_T(q^2) + g_{\mu\nu}\Pi_L(q^2) \equiv i\int d^4x \, e^{i\,q\cdot x} \langle 0|T\{J_{\mu}(x), J_{\nu}(0)\}|0\rangle$$

that fulfills a (n-subtracted, n = 1 or 2 in practice) dispersion relation

$$\chi_{A}(q^{2}) = \frac{1}{n!} \frac{d\Pi_{A}(t)}{dt^{n}}\Big|_{t=q^{2}} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \, \frac{\mathrm{Im}\,\Pi_{A}(t)}{\left(t-q^{2}\right)^{n}} \qquad (A=L,T)$$

- dispersion relation allows to calculate χ<sub>A</sub>(q<sup>2</sup>) at some q<sup>2</sup> from knowledge of Im Π<sub>A</sub> or vice versa
- can calculate  $\chi_A(q^2)$  perturbatively at  $q^2$  far from where  $J_\mu$  can create resonances

for  $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}$  need  $(m_b + m_c)\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll (m_b + m_c)^2 - q^2 \implies q^2 = 0$  sufficient

"Standard OPE"  $\Pi_{A,OPE}(q^2) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} C_{A,k} \langle \mathcal{O}_k \rangle$  Wilson coeff's  $C_{A,k}$  depend on  $m_{b,q}$ 

#### **Unitarity bounds on FFs**

#### Hadronic representation:

Insert complete set of on-shell states  $|n\rangle = \{|\overline{B}M\rangle, ...\}$  with correct quantum numbers (unitarity)

 $\Pi_{\mu\nu} = i \int d^4x \ e^{i q \cdot x} \oint_n d\mu_n \left\langle 0 | J_{\mu}(x) | N \right\rangle \left\langle N | J_{\nu}(0) | 0 \right\rangle \qquad J_{\mu}(x) = e^{i \beta x} J_{\mu}(0) e^{-i \beta x}$  $= i (2\pi)^4 \oint_n d\mu_n \ \delta^{(4)}[q - p_n] \left\langle 0 | J_{\mu} | N \right\rangle \left\langle N | J_{\nu} | 0 \right\rangle$ 

if choose  $\mu = \nu$ , then on r.h.s  $|\langle 0|J_{\mu}|N \rangle|^2 \ge 0$  is positive, such that

$$\operatorname{Im} \Pi_{\mu\mu} = (2\pi)^{4} \oint_{n} d\mu_{n} \, \delta^{(4)}[q - p_{n}] \left| \left\langle 0 \middle| J_{\mu} \middle| N \right\rangle \right|^{2} \qquad \leftarrow \text{keep only first state } |\overline{B}M\rangle \text{ in sum}$$

$$\geq \underbrace{(2\pi)^{4} \int d\mu_{BM} \, \delta^{(4)}[q - p_{BM}]}_{\text{equation}} \left| F(q^{2}) \right|^{2} \qquad \leftarrow \text{remember } \left\langle 0 \middle| J^{\mu} \middle| \overline{B}M \right\rangle \propto F(q^{2})$$

From dispersion relation obtain a bound on |F(t)| in terms of perturbative result of  $\chi_A(q^2)$ 

$$\geq \frac{1}{\chi_A(q^2) \pi} \int_{\rho_{BM}^2}^{\infty} dt \; \frac{\stackrel{\bullet}{\phi(t)} |F(t)|^2}{(t-q^2)^n}$$

- ► lower intergration boundary  $t = 0 \rightarrow t = p_{BM}^2$ since  $d\mu_{BM} \propto \theta [q^2 - p_{BM}^2]$
- these bounds are on FF on the real axis  $q^2 > p_{BM}^2$

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Unitarity bound becomes

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{dz}{z} \left| \phi(z) B(z) F(z) \right|^2 \leq 1$$



- outer function  $\phi(z) \propto \sqrt{\widetilde{\phi}(z) / \chi_A(q^2)}$
- F(t) is mostly analytic. If there are known subthreshold resonances at t<sub>-</sub> ≤ t ≤ t<sub>+</sub> (stable under QCD, e.g. B<sub>c</sub><sup>(\*)</sup> etc.) they are removed with a Blascke factor B(z) (sufficient to know positions z<sub>n</sub>)

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#### BGL = Boyd/Grinstein/Lebed

- often used for  $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}$  FFs
- use  $\phi(z)$  and B(z) such that unitarity bound takes form  $\sum_k |a_k|^2 \le 1$

#### BCL = Bourrely/Caprini/Lellouch

- ▶ used by FLAG and often LQCD collaborations for  $B_{(s)} \rightarrow \pi, K, D$  FFs
- ▶ replace  $\phi(z) \rightarrow$  simple pole, e.g.  $1 q^2/m_{B^*}$ , differently for each FF
- unitarity bound takes complicated form  $\sum_{j,k} B_{jk}(t_0) a_j(t_0) a_k(t_0) \le 1$

[hep-ph/9412324, 9508211, 9705252]

[0807.2722]

# Heavy-to-heavy FFs Constraints from HQET

Further reading:

Textbook by

Aneesh Manohar and Mark Wise

"Heavy Quark Physics"

[Camb.Monogr.Part.Phys.Nucl.Phys.Cosmol. 10 (2000) 1-191]

**Reviews/Lectures** 

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#### Heavy-quark systems

Consider here bound state with single heavy quark  $H^{(Q)} = (Q\overline{q})$ 

- **heavy** means  $m_q \sim \Lambda_{QCD} \ll m_Q$ , in practice  $m_Q = m_b$  or  $m_c$
- interaction of Q with light quarks and gluons (= brown muck) (in or close to it's restframe) described with Heavy Quark Effective Theory (HQET)
- heavy mass implies that changes of velocity due to brown muck

$$v^{\mu} = \frac{p^{\mu}}{m_Q} \implies \delta v^{\mu} = \frac{\delta p^{\mu}}{m_Q} \sim \frac{\Lambda_{\rm QCD}}{m_Q} \to 0 \quad \text{for} \quad m_Q \to \infty$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Q has constant velocity

▶ since QCD flavorblind all heavy quarks alike for  $m_Q \rightarrow \infty$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  heavy-quark flavor symmetry, broken by  $(1/m_b - 1/m_c)$ 

acts in restframe as static color source

 $\Rightarrow$  heavy-quark spin symmetry, broken at  $1/m_Q$  by chromo-magnetic interactions

HQET Lagrangian is a series in

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \frac{1}{m_Q}\mathcal{L}_1 + \frac{1}{m_Q^2}\mathcal{L}_2 + \dots$$

where only  $\mathcal{L}_0$  has spin-flavor symmetry

#### Heavy quark field

Start by splitting QCD-field, where momentum  $p^{\mu} = m_Q v^{\mu} + k$  with  $k \sim \Lambda_{QCD}$  and  $v \cdot v = 1$ 

$$Q(x) = e^{-im_Q \cdot \cdot x} [h_v(x) + \mathcal{H}_v(x)], \qquad \forall h_v = h_v, \qquad \forall \mathcal{H}_v = -\mathcal{H}_v$$

Insert into QCD-Lagrangian (full theory)

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} &= \overline{Q}(i\not D - m_Q)Q \\ &= \left[\overline{h}_v + \overline{\mathcal{H}}_v\right] e^{im_Q \cdot x} \left(i\not D - m_Q\right) e^{-im_Q \cdot x} \left[h_v + \mathcal{H}_v\right] \\ &= \left[\overline{h}_v + \overline{\mathcal{H}}_v\right] \left(i\not D - m_Q + m_Q \psi\right) \left[h_v + \mathcal{H}_v\right] \\ &= \left[\overline{h}_v + \overline{\mathcal{H}}_v\right] \left[i\not D h_v + (i\not D - 2m_Q)\mathcal{H}_v\right] \\ &= \overline{h}_v(iv \cdot D)h_v - \overline{\mathcal{H}}_v(iv \cdot D + 2m_Q)\mathcal{H}_v + \overline{h}_v i\not D_\perp \mathcal{H}_v + \overline{\mathcal{H}}_v i\not D_\perp h_v \end{split}$$

Use EOM  $(iv \cdot D + 2m_Q)\mathcal{H}_v = i\not D_\perp h_v$  to arrive at

 $V^{\mu}_{\perp}\equiv V^{\mu}-(v\cdot V)v^{\mu}$ 

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \overline{h}_{v}(iv \cdot D)h_{v} + \overline{h}_{v} i \not{D}_{\perp} \frac{1}{2m_{Q} + iv \cdot D} i \not{D}_{\perp} h_{v}$$

Derivatives acting on  $h_v(x)$  yield residual momentum  $D_\mu h_v(x) \rightarrow k_\mu u_v(p) \ll 2m_Q h_v(x)$ 

$$\Rightarrow \text{ expansion } \qquad \frac{1}{2m_Q + iv \cdot D} \approx \frac{1}{2m_Q} - \frac{1}{4m_Q^2}(iv \cdot D) + \dots$$

#### HQET

The HQET Lagrangian (at tree-level)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}} = \overline{h}_{v}(iv \cdot D)h_{v} + \frac{1}{2m_{Q}}\overline{h}_{v}i\mathcal{D}_{\perp}i\mathcal{D}_{\perp}h_{v} + \mathcal{O}\left((m_{Q})^{-2}\right)$$

$$\approx \overline{h}_{v}(iv \cdot D)h_{v} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2m_{Q}}\overline{h}_{v}(i\mathcal{D}_{\perp})^{2}h_{v} - c_{F}\frac{g_{s}}{4m_{Q}}\overline{h}_{v}\sigma_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}h_{v}}_{\text{kinetic energy}}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{magnetic moment}}$$

- kinetic energy of heavy quark breaks flavor symmetry ~ 1/m<sub>Q</sub>
   ⇒ reparametrization invariance shows that no α<sub>s</sub> corrections to all orders
- ▶ magnetic moment interaction  $(\mu_Q \cdot B_c)$  breaks heavy quark spin & flavor symmetry ⇒ Wilson coefficient  $c_F = 1 + O(\alpha_s)$

#### Normalization of hadron states in QCD

- ► in QCD  $\langle H(p',\varepsilon') | H(p,\varepsilon) \rangle = 2E(\vec{p}) (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)} [\vec{p} \vec{p}'] \delta_{\varepsilon\varepsilon'}$
- ► in HQET  $(H_{v'}(k',\varepsilon')|H_v(k,\varepsilon)) = 2v^0 (2\pi)^3 \delta_{v'v} \delta^{(3)}[\vec{k}-\vec{k}']\delta_{\varepsilon\varepsilon'}$  (labelled by v and residual k)
- ▶ QCD  $\leftrightarrow$  HQET  $|H(p,\varepsilon)\rangle = \sqrt{m_H} |H_v(k,\varepsilon)\rangle + O((m_Q)^{-1})$

# $\overline{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)}$ FFs

Use instead of  $q^2$ : w =

$$\frac{p_B \cdot p_D}{2m_B m_{D^{(*)}}} = v \cdot v' = \frac{m_B^2 + m_{D^{(*)}}^2 - q^2}{2m_B m_{D^{(*)}}}$$

with  $1 \le w \le 1.6...$ 

Consider *B* and *D*<sup>\*</sup> as heavy:  $p_B = m_B v$  and  $p_D = m_{D^{(*)}} v'$ 

In the following convenient to use FFs F(w) relevant for  $\overline{B} \to D^{(*)} \ell \overline{\nu}_{\ell}$  are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\left\langle D(p') \middle| \overline{c} \gamma^{\mu} b \middle| \overline{B}(p) \right\rangle}{\sqrt{m_{B} m_{D}}} &= \left\langle D_{v'} \middle| \overline{c}_{v'} \gamma^{\mu} b_{v} \middle| \overline{B}_{v} \right\rangle &= h_{+} \left[ v + v' \right]^{\mu} + h_{-} \left[ v - v' \right]^{\mu} \\ \frac{\left\langle D^{*}(p', \epsilon) \middle| \overline{c} \gamma^{\mu} b \middle| \overline{B}(p) \right\rangle}{\sqrt{m_{B} m_{D^{*}}}} &= \left\langle D_{v'}^{*}(\epsilon) \middle| \overline{c}_{v'} \gamma^{\mu} b_{v} \middle| \overline{B}_{v} \right\rangle &= h_{V} i \varepsilon^{\mu \nu \alpha \beta} \epsilon_{\nu}^{*} v_{\alpha}' v_{\beta} \\ \frac{\left\langle D^{*}(p', \epsilon) \middle| \overline{c} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_{5} b \middle| \overline{B}(p) \right\rangle}{\sqrt{m_{B} m_{D^{*}}}} &= \left\langle D_{v'}^{*}(\epsilon) \middle| \overline{c}_{v'} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_{5} b_{v} \middle| \overline{B}_{v} \right\rangle &= h_{A_{1}} (w + 1) \epsilon^{*\mu} - \epsilon \cdot v \left[ h_{A_{2}} v^{\mu} + h_{A_{3}} v'^{\mu} \right] \end{aligned}$$

6 FFs that describe  $\overline{B} \to D^{(*)} \ell \overline{\nu}_{\ell}$ , in terms of initial and final velocities

#### Hadronic matrix elements

Technique of calculating matrix elements (ME) of operators with "hadronic fields"

fields P = B, D and  $V = B^*$ ,  $D^*$  in ground-state doublets (4 × 4 matrix, bispinor) ►  $=V(v,\epsilon)$  =P(v)

$$H_{v}^{(Q)} = \frac{1+\psi}{2} \Big( \mathcal{P}_{v}^{*(Q)} - \gamma_{5} P_{v}^{(Q)} \Big),$$

$$\label{eq:holestop} \psi H_v^{(Q)} = H_v^{(Q)}, \qquad v \cdot P_v^{*(Q)} = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow$  transforms under heavy-quark symmetry as  $H_{\nu}^{(Q)} \rightarrow D(R)_{C}H_{\nu}^{(Q)}$ 

quark currents replaced by field-products of B and  $D^{(*)}$  that represent their MEs ►

 $\overline{c}_{v'}\Gamma b_v \rightarrow \operatorname{Tr}\left\{\overline{H}_{v'}^{(c)}\Gamma H_v^{(b)}X\right\} \quad \text{where} \quad X = X_0 + X_1 \psi + X_2 \psi' + X_3 \psi v'$ 

transform in same way under heavy-quark symmetry

▶ X and  $X_i = X_i(w)$  contain dynamics due to light degrees of freedom  $s_{\text{light}} = \pm 1/2 \Rightarrow$  depends only on initial and final velocities v and v', no Lorentz indices

▶ with  $\psi H_v^{(Q)} = H_v^{(Q)}$  and  $\psi \psi = v^2 = 1 \implies X \to -\xi(w)$  just a scalar function

#### Form factor relations

Performing traces and comparing with definitions of FFs yields

$$h_+(w) = h_V(w) = h_{A_1}(w) = h_{A_3}(w) = \xi(w), \qquad h_-(w) = h_{A_2}(w) = 0$$

**Normalization** of  $\xi(w)$  at zero-recoil  $w \to 1$  given by ME of *b*-number current in QCD

 $2p_B^{\mu} = 2m_B v^{\mu} = \langle B(p) | \overline{b} \gamma^{\mu} b | B(p) \rangle$  $= m_B \langle B_V | b_V \gamma^{\mu} b_V | B_V \rangle = m_B h_+(1) [v + v]^{\mu} = 2m_B v^{\mu} \xi(1) \implies \qquad \xi(1) = 1$ 

#### Lukes theorem

[Luke, PLB252 (1990) 247]

There are no  $1/m_Q$  corrections to form factor relations at zero recoil

**QCD corrections** to  $(\overline{c}\Gamma b)$  currents when matching on HQET:

$$\xi(1) \rightarrow \eta_A \left[ 1 + \delta_{1/m_Q^2} \right] \xi(1),$$

$$\eta_{A} = 1 + \frac{\alpha_{s}}{\pi} \left( \frac{m_{b} + m_{c}}{m_{b} - m_{c}} \ln \frac{m_{b}}{m_{c}} - \frac{8}{3} \right) + \mathcal{O} \left( \alpha_{s}^{2} \right)$$

at 2-loop  $\eta_A = 0.960 \pm 0.007$  [Czarnecki hep-ph/9603261]

#### **Another FF parametrization**

The combination of unitarity bounds with FF relations from HQET is due to

#### CNL = Caprini/Lellouch/Neubert

[hep-ph/9712417]

- combine all spin-parity cannels (J<sup>P</sup> = 0<sup>+</sup>, 0<sup>-</sup>, 1<sup>-</sup>, 1<sup>+</sup>) and include B<sub>c</sub> poles in unitarity bounds
- exploit spin symmetry of HQET in ground-state doublets of B<sup>(\*)</sup> and D<sup>(\*)</sup>, including subleading 1/m<sub>Q</sub> and α<sub>s</sub> corrections
- use z-expansion up to O (z<sup>3</sup>) for B → D vector-FF V<sub>1</sub>(w), i.e. 3 parameters → ρ<sub>1</sub><sup>2</sup>, c<sub>1</sub>, d<sub>1</sub>
   ⇒ unitarity bounds lead to strong correlation between ρ<sub>1</sub><sup>2</sup> and c<sub>1</sub>, such that d<sub>1</sub> quasi-fixed
- other  $B \to D^*$  and  $B^* \to D^{(*)}$  FFs expressed via HQET relations as

$$\frac{F_j(w)}{V_1(w)} = A_j \left[ 1 + B_j(w-1) + C_j(w-1)^2 + D_j(w-1)^3 + \dots \right]$$

where A, B, C, D known from HQET (including uncertainties)