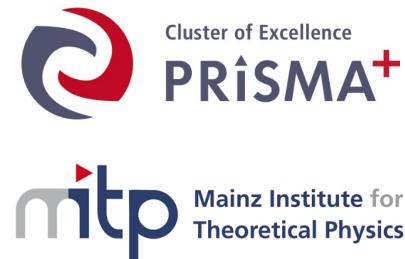


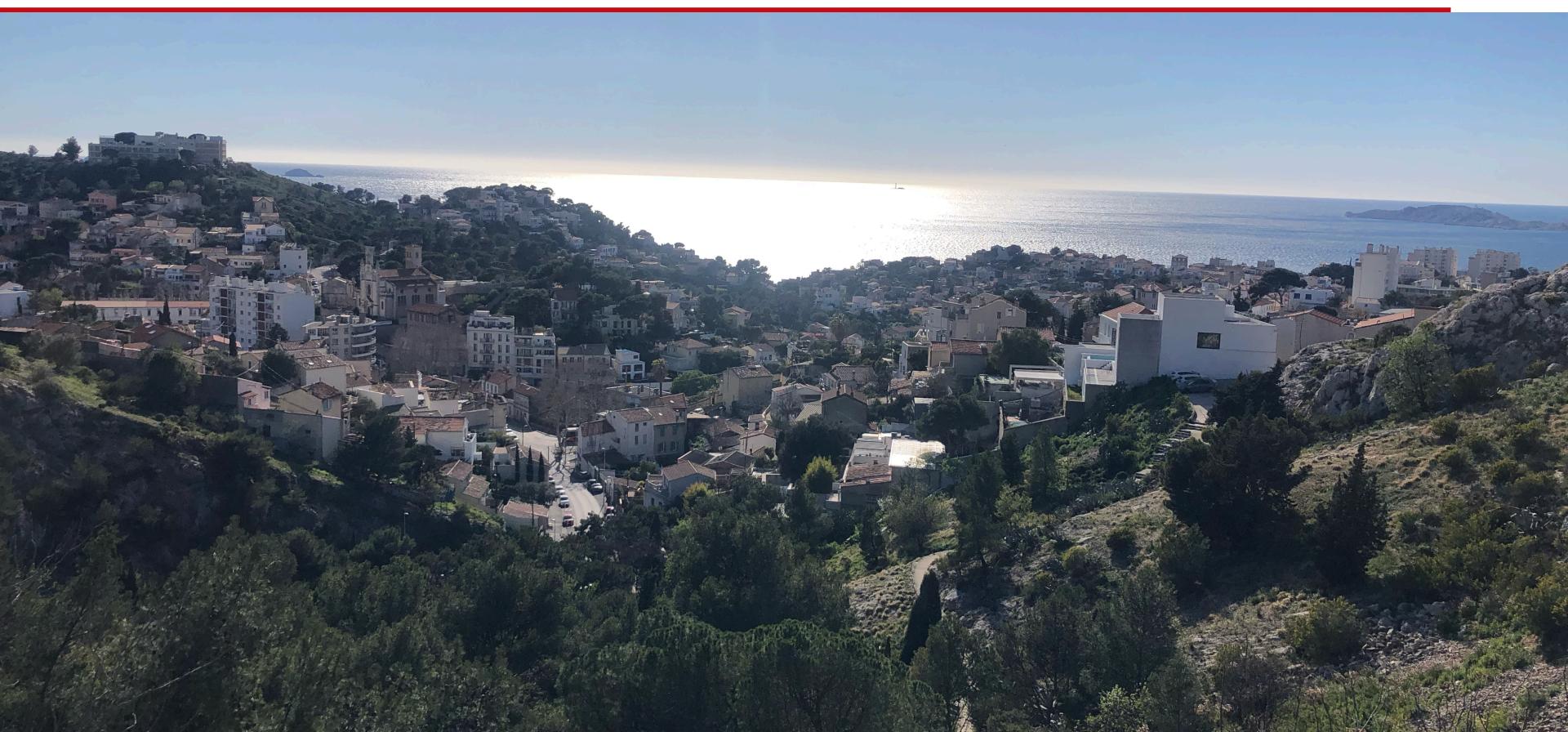
QED CORRECTIONS TO EXCLUSIVE LEPTONIC B DECAYS

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Motivations

► Why leptonic B decays ?

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell) = \tau_B G_F^2 f_B^2 |V_{ub}|^2 \frac{m_B m_\ell^2}{8\pi} \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_B^2}\right)^2$$

- Direct determination of the CKM element $|V_{ub}|$
- Chirality-suppressed in the SM \rightarrow powerful probe of (pseudo) scalar new physics
- Testing flavor universality in charged current : Belle II will measure the $\ell = \tau, \mu$ channels at 5 – 6 % [Belle II Physics Book]. FCC-ee prospects are promising.

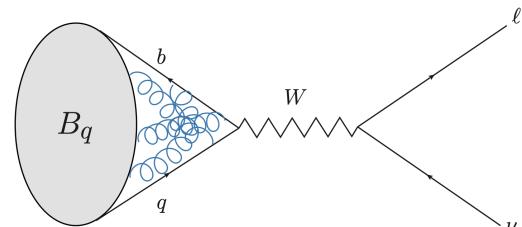
► Why QED corrections are needed?

- Pure hadronic effects are simple and well-understood:

$$\langle 0 | \bar{q} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 b | B_q(p) \rangle = i f_{B_q} p^\mu$$

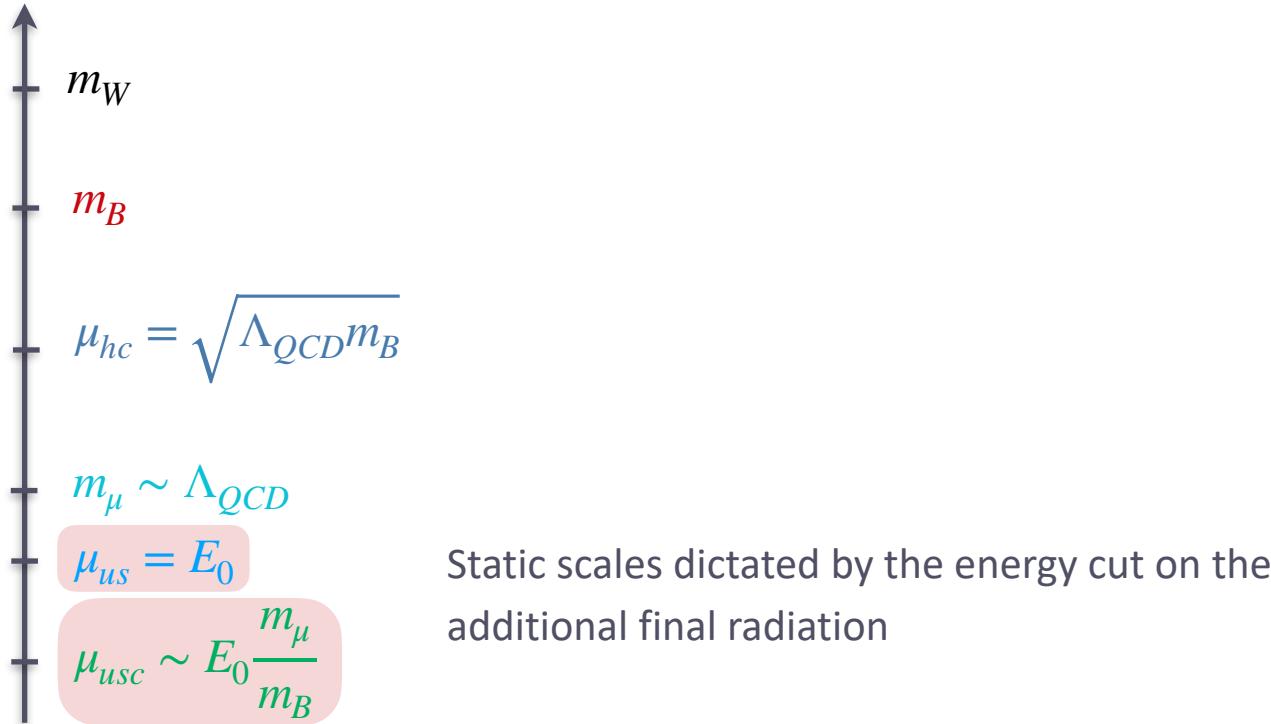
and f_{B_q} is known with $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$ precision : $f_{B_q} = 189.4 \pm 1.4$ Mev [FNAL/MILC 1712.09262]

- In the exclusive channel, with strong cuts on additional soft radiations, QED corrections can be sizable and compete with QCD uncertainties \rightarrow need a precise estimation



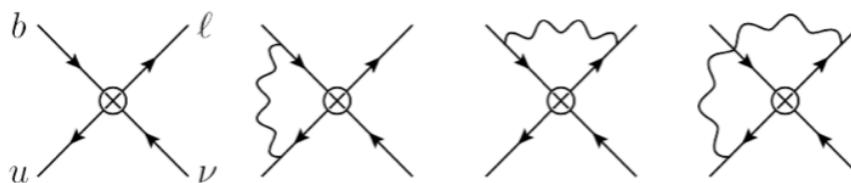
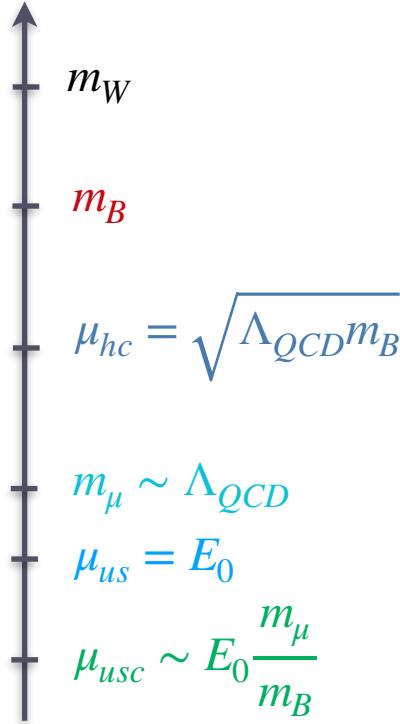
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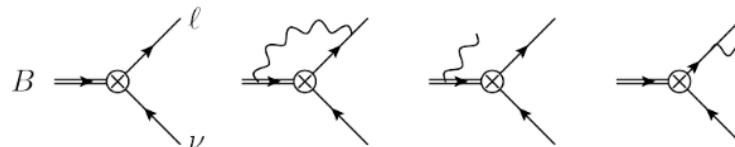
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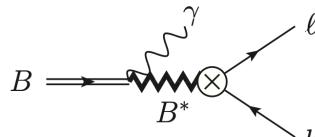
[Beneke et al(2019), JHEP10232]

B-meson described as a point-like pseudo-scalar boson...



[Dai et al (2022), Phys.Rev.D 105 3]

...including its first vector excited state as off-shell intermediate propagator !



[Becirevic et al (0907.1845)]

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In this talk we are going to embark on an EFT journey :

- ▶ Discussing the **(re)factorization** of the **virtual** amplitude in the partonic picture.
- ▶ Constructing the proper EFT valid at **low energy** to include the **real emissions**.
- ▶ Deriving the **factorization formula for the decay rate**.

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- QED corrections → hard-collinear momentum exchange between partons & lepton.

→ need a SCET_I subleading power description for the different modes of the spectator and the lepton :

$$q(x) \rightarrow \left(1 + \frac{1}{i\bar{n} \cdot D_s} (i \not{D}_\perp \frac{\not{n}}{2}) \right) \xi_C^{(q)}(x) + \left(1 + \frac{1}{i\bar{n} \cdot D_s} eQ_q \not{A}_{C\perp} \frac{\not{n}}{2} \right) q_s(x)$$

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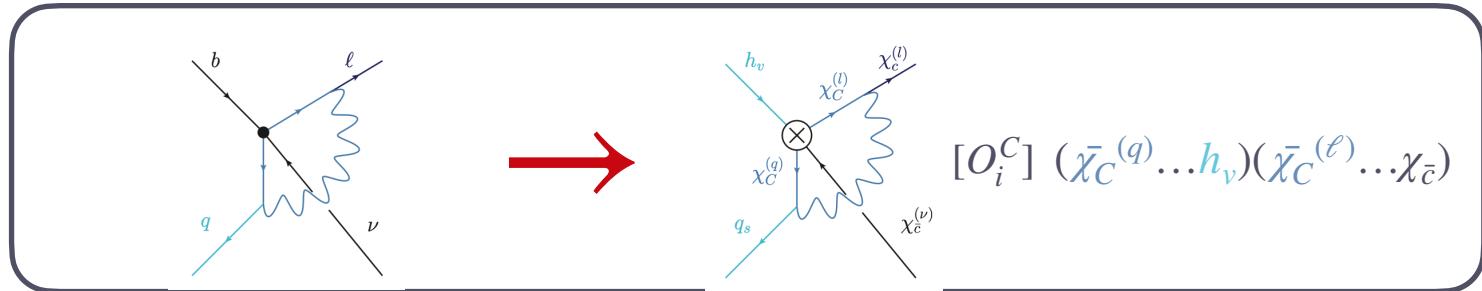
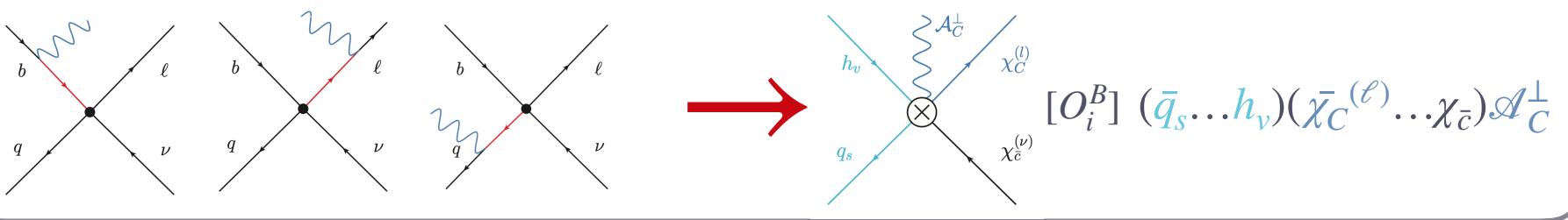
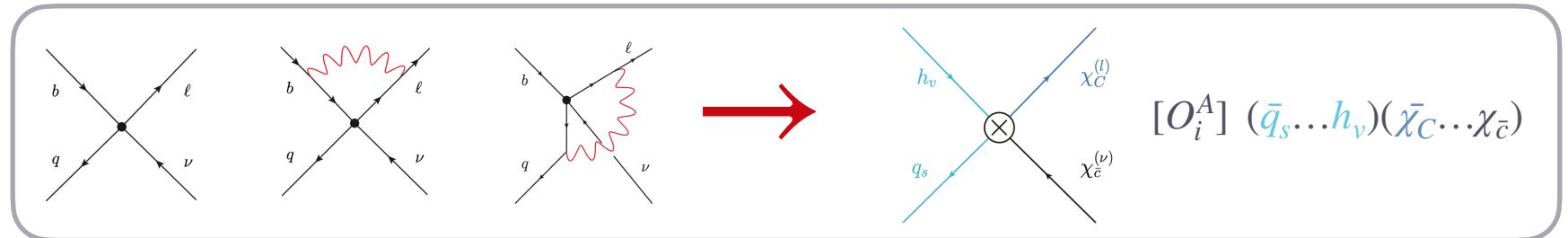
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SCET_I operators

We build our SCET_I basis with the following power counting :

$$h_v, q_s \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda^{3/2}) \quad \chi_C \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda^{1/2}) \quad \mathcal{A}_C^\perp \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda^{1/2}) \quad \chi_c \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda) \quad \mathcal{A}_c^\perp \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda) \quad \chi_{\bar{c}} \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda)$$

At $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$, three classes of 4-fermions operators are relevant:



SCET_I → SCET_{II}

$$\mu \sim \mu_{hc} \sim \sqrt{\Lambda_{QCD} m_B}$$

- At $\mu \sim \mu_{hc}$, we lower the virtuality removing hard-collinear modes → pure SCET_{II} construction where collinear and soft carry the same virtuality :

$$p_c \sim (1, \lambda^2, \lambda), \quad p_s \sim (\lambda, \lambda, \lambda), \quad p_c^2 \sim p_s^2 \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$$

- Integrating out hard-collinear propagators introduces non-localities even in soft product :

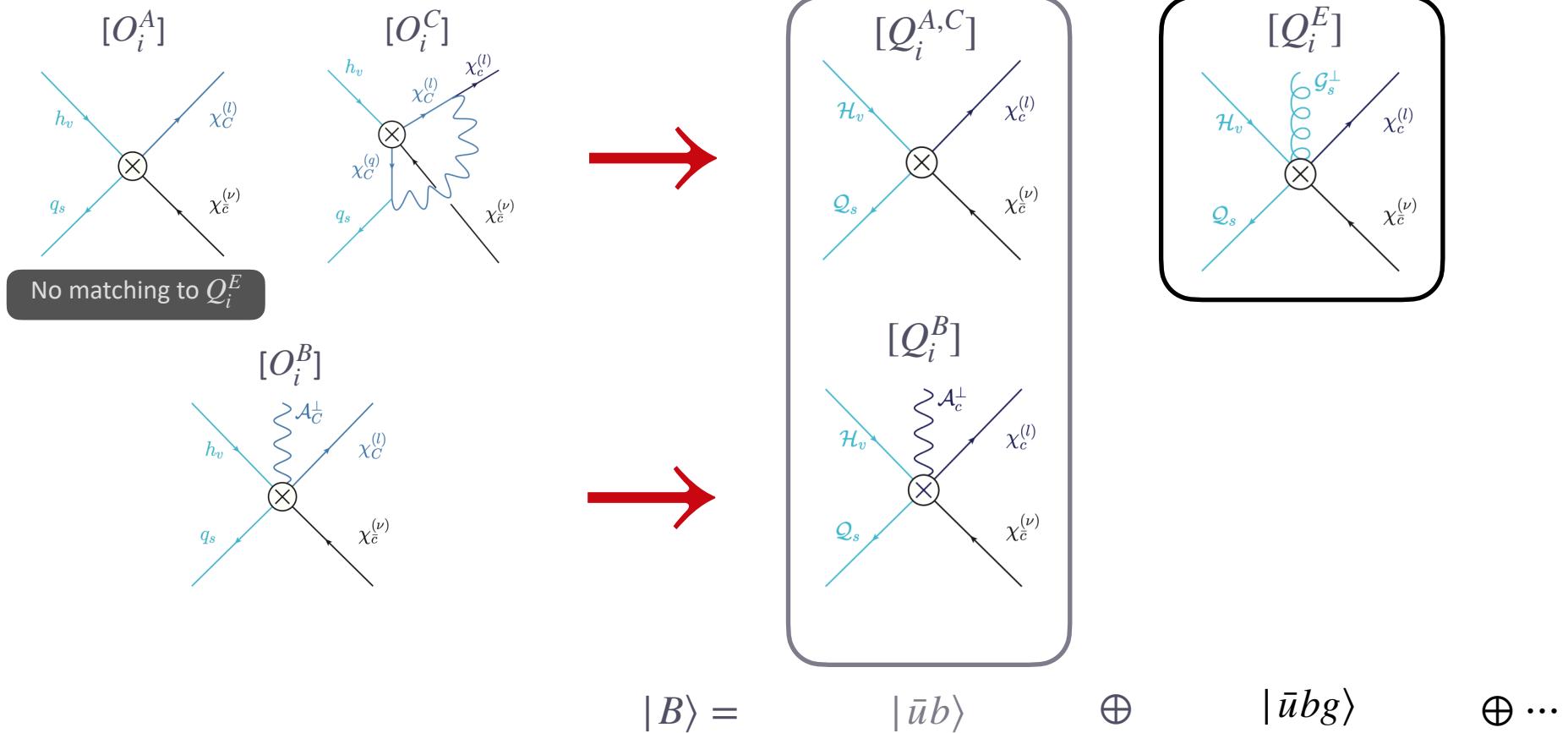
$$\frac{1}{n \cdot \partial} q_s, \left(\frac{1}{n \cdot \partial} \mathcal{G}_s^\perp \right) \left(\frac{1}{n \cdot \partial} q_s \right), \dots$$

→ Contains more fields but are of the same order !

- Contrary to the $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ case, those structure-dependent contributions to $B^- \rightarrow \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$ carry the same suppression as the tree level result and do not overcome the chiral suppression.
[Beneke, Bobeth, Szafron 2017, 2019]

SCET_{II} basis

► Starting from our SCET_I operators, we can construct our SCET_{II} basis :



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► SCET_{II} operators contributing at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$:

$$\mathcal{H}_v = Y_n^{(q)\dagger} Y_n^{(\ell)\dagger} h_v \quad , \quad \mathcal{G}_s^\mu = Y_n^\dagger (i D_s^{(G)\mu} Y_n)$$

$$\mathcal{Q}_s = Y_n^{(q)\dagger} q_s \quad , \quad \mathcal{Q}_s^{(+)} = \frac{\not{n}\not{n}}{4} \mathcal{Q}_s \quad , \quad \mathcal{Q}_s^{(-)} = \frac{\not{n}\not{n}}{4} \mathcal{Q}_s$$

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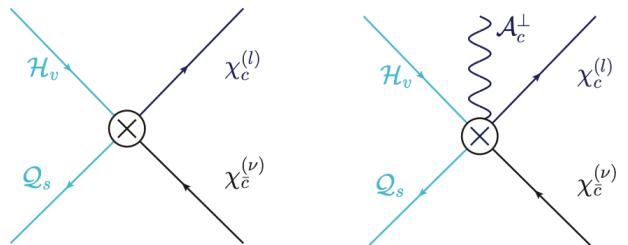
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« Local operators »

[B]

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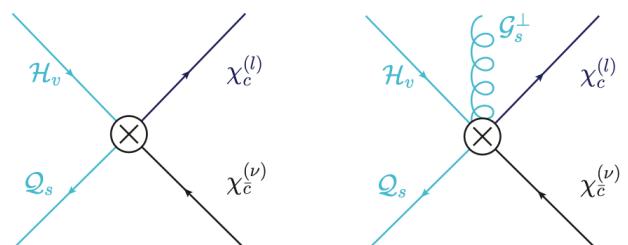
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« Non-local operators »

[E]

$$Q_2^E(\omega, \omega_g) = \frac{m_\ell \bar{n} \cdot v}{\omega (\bar{n} \cdot \mathcal{P}_c)} \left(\bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{s[\omega]} \mathcal{G}_{s[\omega_g]}^{\perp\mu} P_R \mathcal{H}_v \right) \left(\bar{\chi}_c^{(\ell)} P_L \chi_{\bar{c}}^{(\nu)} \right)$$



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Factorization formula (virtual corrections)

- ▶ Taking SCET_{II} matrix elements, we obtain a factorisation theorem for the virtual corrections :

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{virt}} = \langle \ell \nu | \mathcal{L}_{\text{SCET II} \otimes \text{HQET}} | B \rangle$$

$$= \sum_i^{26} H_i(\{y\}) \otimes_y \sum_j^{12} J_{i \rightarrow j}(\{y\}, \{\omega\}, \{x\}) \otimes_{x,\omega} \langle Q_j(\{x\}, \{\omega\}) \rangle$$

- ▶ SCET_{II} operators factorizes into non perturbative **soft hadronic contributions** and purely leptonic perturbative collinear functions :

$$\langle Q_i(\{x\}, \{\omega\}) \rangle = S_i(\{\omega\}) \left\langle B \underbrace{| Y_n^{(\ell)\dagger} \frac{\varphi_\nu}{\sqrt{2m_B}} | 0 \rangle}_{R^{(\ell,B)}} \right. K_i(\{x\}) \frac{m_\ell}{m_B} \left. \langle \ell \nu | \bar{h}_n P_L \nu_{\bar{c}} | 0 \rangle \right.$$

- ▶ They define matching coefficients to the low energy theory hadronic and leptonic currents.

Low-energy theory : bHLET \otimes HSET

$$\mu < \Lambda_{QCD} \sim m_\mu$$

- Below $\mu \sim \Lambda_{QCD}$, quarks hadronize and the meson can be described by a charged scalar of mass m_B . We can describe it with a **heavy scalar (HS)** :

$$\Phi_B(x) \rightarrow \frac{e^{-im_B(v \cdot x)}}{\sqrt{2m_B}} \varphi_v(x)$$

- Since $\Lambda_{QCD} \sim m_\mu$, also the muon becomes infinitely heavy.
We describe it as a **boosted heavy lepton field (bHL)** :

$$\chi_c^{(\ell)}(x) = e^{-im_\ell(v_\ell \cdot x)} h_n(x)$$

[Fleming et al (hep-ph/0703207);
Beneke et al (2305.06401)]

- We match the resulting low energy EFT by taking the hadronic matrix element :

$$\langle \ell \nu | \mathcal{L}_{\text{SCET}_I \otimes \text{HQET}} | B \rangle = \langle \ell \nu | \mathcal{L}_{\text{bHLET} \otimes \text{HSET}} | B \rangle$$



A theory of Wilson lines ?

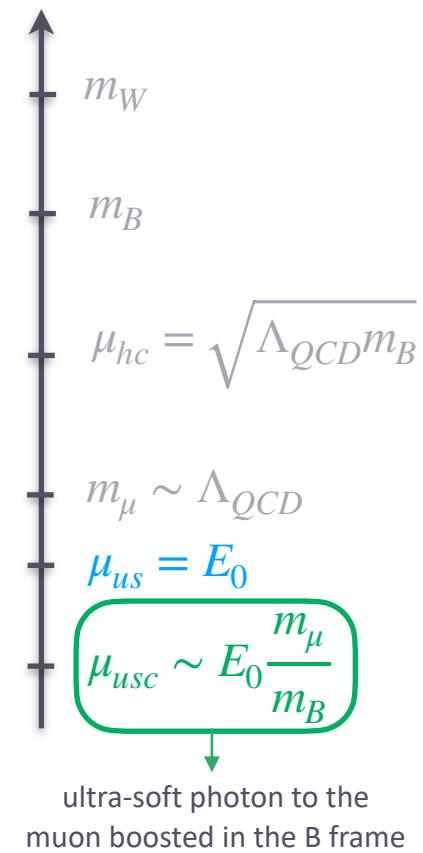
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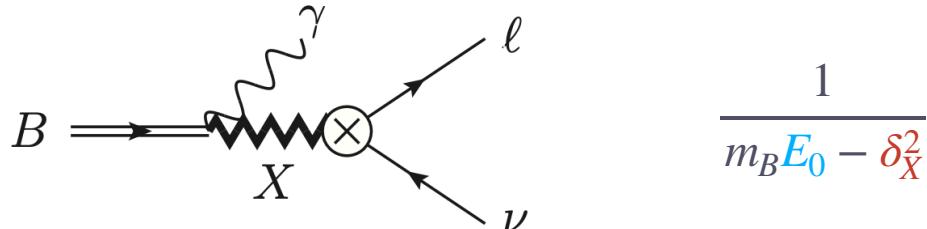
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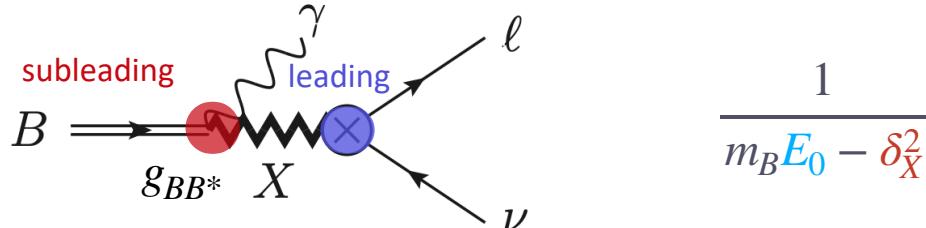
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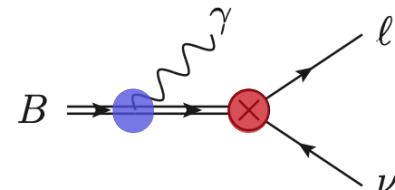
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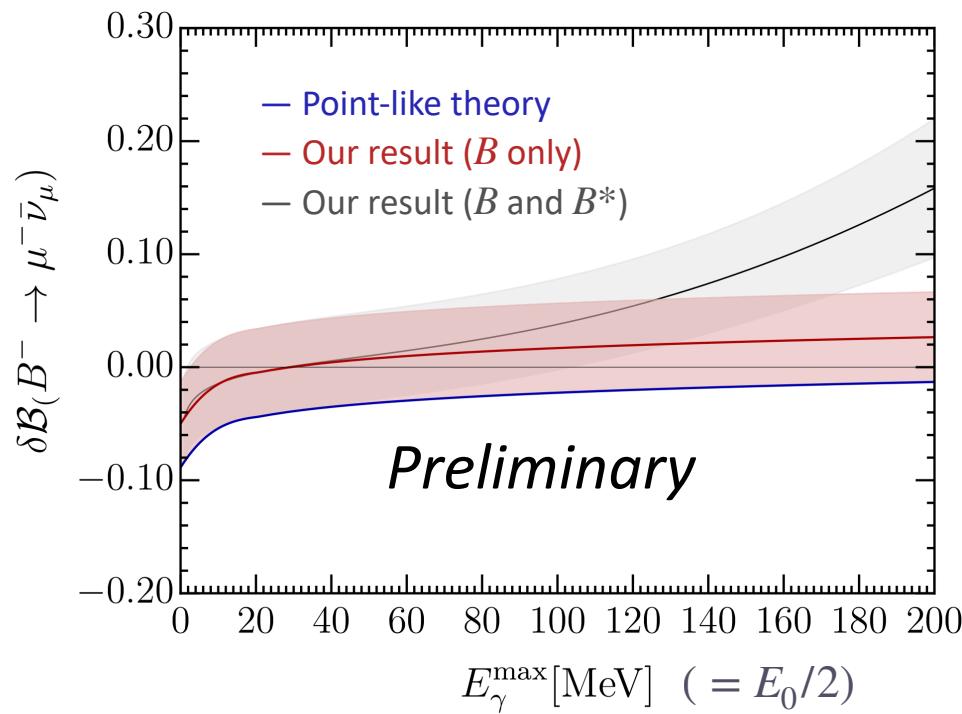
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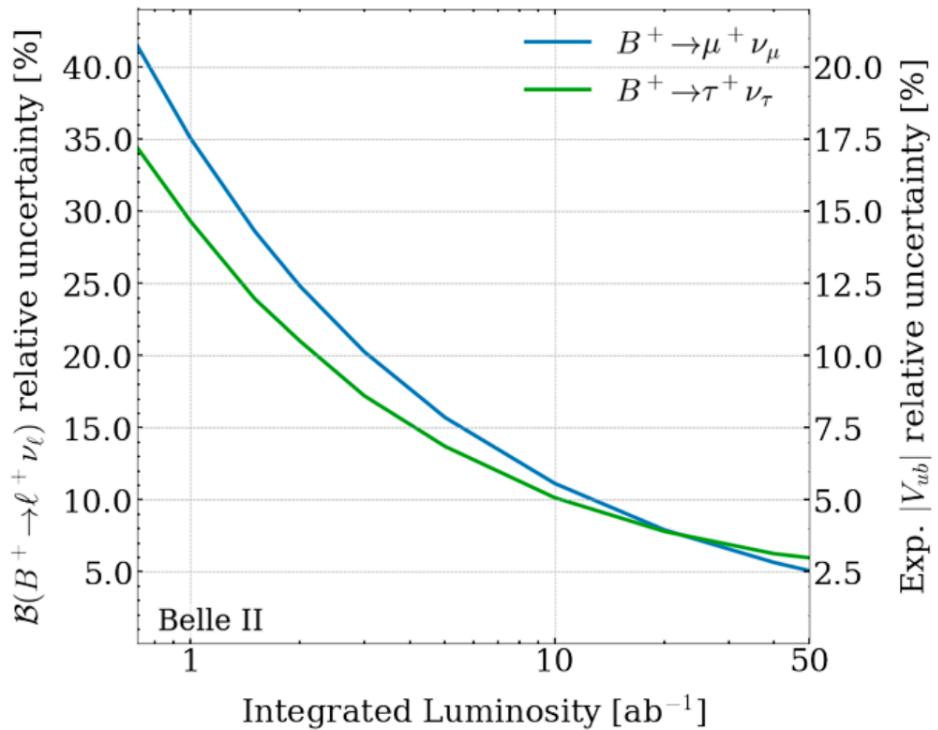
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Thanks for listening !



Backup-slides

Belle II projections



[Belle II Physics Book]

Figure 1: Projection of uncertainties on the branching fractions $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu)$ and $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ + \nu_\tau)$. The corresponding uncertainty on the experimental value of $|V_{ub}|$ is shown on the right-hand vertical axis.

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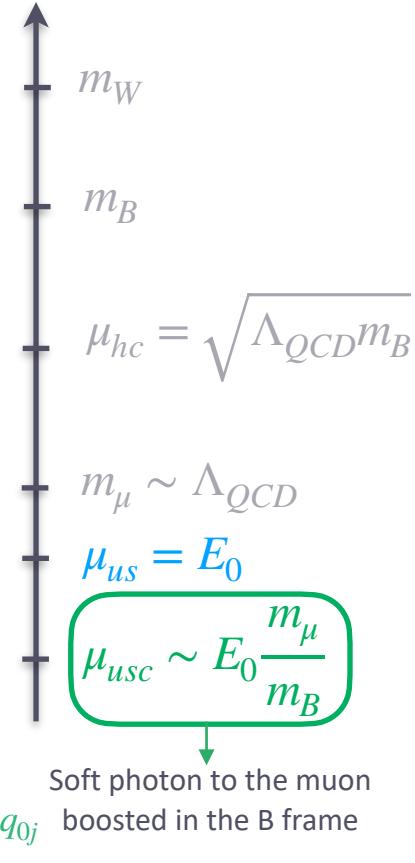
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- Need to be computed at a **single value** of Λ and μ . Lattice determination ? QCD SR estimate ?

Coft Wilson-lines cancellation

- One can also define $F(\Lambda)$ using time-like Wilson-lines :

$$-\frac{i\sqrt{m_B}}{2} F(\Lambda, \mu) \equiv \frac{\left\langle 0 \left| \bar{q}_s \theta(\Lambda + i\bar{n} \cdot \overleftrightarrow{D}_s) \not{P}_L \mathcal{S}_{v_\ell}^{(l)\dagger} h_v \right| B^- \right\rangle}{\langle 0 | \mathcal{S}_v^{(B)} \mathcal{S}_{v_\ell}^{(l)\dagger} | 0 \rangle}$$

- Those time-like WL can be splitted between soft and soft-collinear (coft) contributions :

$$\mathcal{S}_v^{(l)}(x) = Y_v^{(B)}(x) C_{\bar{n}}^{(B)}(x_+) = Y_v^{(B)}(x) C_{\bar{n}}^{(b)}(x_+) C_{\bar{n}}^{(q)\dagger}(x_+) \quad \mathcal{S}_{v_\ell}^{(l)}(x) = Y_n^{(\ell)}(x_-) C_{v_\ell}^{(\ell)}(x)$$

- After soft-collinear decoupling, $h_v \rightarrow C_{\bar{n}}^{(b)} h_v$, $q_s \rightarrow C_{\bar{n}}^{(q)} q_s$

contributions from the coft Wilson-lines cancel in the ratio :

$$-\frac{i\sqrt{m_B}}{2} F(\Lambda, \mu) = \frac{\left\langle 0 \left| \bar{q}_s \theta(\Lambda + i\bar{n} \cdot \overleftrightarrow{D}_s) \not{P}_L Y_n^{(\ell)\dagger} h_v \right| B^- \right\rangle}{\langle 0 | Y_v^{(B)} Y_n^{(\ell)\dagger} | 0 \rangle}$$