Inclusive semileptonic *B*-meson decays and CKM matrix determinations: challenges and theoretical framework(s).

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Motivation: Standard Model parameters

Standard Model (input) parameters

The **Standard Model** (SM) Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\rm SM} &= i \left(\overline{\ell}_L \not D \ell_L + \overline{e}_R \not D e_R + \overline{Q}_L \not D Q_L + \overline{u}_R \not D u_R + \overline{d}_R \not D d_R \right) \\ &- \frac{1}{4} G^A_{\mu\nu} G^{A\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} W^I_{\mu\nu} W^{I\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} \\ &+ (D_\mu \phi)^{\dagger} (D^\mu \phi) - \mu^2 \phi^{\dagger} \phi - \lambda \left(\phi^{\dagger} \phi \right)^2 \\ &- \left(\overline{\ell}_L Y^\ell \phi e_R + \overline{Q}_L Y^u \epsilon \phi^* u_R + \overline{Q}_L Y^d \phi d_R + \text{h.c.} \right) \end{aligned}$$

with

$$(D_{\mu}\psi)^{\alpha j} = \left[\delta_{\alpha\beta}\delta_{jk}\left(\partial_{\mu} + ig'Y_{q}B_{\mu}\right) + ig\delta_{\alpha\beta}S^{I}_{jk}W^{I}_{\mu} + ig_{s}\delta_{jk}T^{A}_{\alpha\beta}G^{A}_{\mu}\right]\psi^{\beta k}$$

depends on a (reduced) set of fundamental (input) parameters:

- \Rightarrow Three gauge couplings: g', g and g_s
- \Rightarrow Higgs vev and Higgs mass: $v = \sqrt{-\mu^2/\lambda}$ and $m_H = \sqrt{2\lambda} v$
- $\Rightarrow \text{ Three lepton masses: } m_i^\ell = \lambda_i^\ell(v/\sqrt{2}) \text{ with } Y_{ij}^\ell = \lambda_i^\ell \, \delta_{ij}$
- ⇒ Six quark masses: $m_i^q = V_L^q Y^q V_R^{q\dagger}(v/\sqrt{2})$ (q = u, d) with $V_{L,R}^{u,d}$ unitary matrices
- \Rightarrow Four CKM matrix parameters: $V_{\text{CKM}} = V_L^u V_L^{d\dagger}$
- \Rightarrow + one strong CP angle: $\Delta \mathcal{L} \sim \bar{\theta} G^A_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{A\mu\nu}$
- \Rightarrow + three **neutrino masses** + four (or five) **PMNS matrix elements**

The importance of the CKM matrix

CKM matrix parametrisation $\Rightarrow 3\Re + 1\Im$ parameters:

$$V_{\rm CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda^2/2 & \lambda & A\lambda^3(\rho - i\eta) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \lambda^2/2 & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3(1 - \rho - i\eta) & -A\lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + O(\lambda^4)$$

- The CKM matrix sets the strength of quark-level transitions $J_L \sim V_{ij} W^+_\mu \bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q_i$ ⇒ Hadronic lifetimes ⇒ Branching ratios
- Imaginary phase of the CKM matrix ⇒ only CP-violation (CPV) source in the SM
 - \Rightarrow CKM triangles
 - ⇒ CP-violation observables (including possible CPV New Physics): $K \rightarrow \pi\pi, K^0 - \bar{K}^0, B^0 - \bar{B}^0, B^0_s - \bar{B}^0_s$, etc



The structure of the CKM matrix: the Flavour Puzzle



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[Fuentes-Martín]
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- 13 parameters characterise the Yukawa sector of the *L*_{SM}: 3 lepton masses, 6 quark masses, 4 CKM parameters
- Strong hierarchical structure between quark masses and CKM parameters
 - \Rightarrow Why this hierarchy? SM does **not** provide an answer
 - \Rightarrow Flavour Puzzle
- Satisfactory NP must provide a mechanism:
 - ⇒ Hierarchy dynamically generated through local interactions (w/ symmetry breaking)
 - \Rightarrow Quark generations as excitations of more fundamental constituents
- **\blacksquare** First, we need **precise determinations** of $V_{\rm CKM}$

$|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$

- $\blacksquare |V_{cb}| \text{ (and } |V_{ub}| \text{) crucial to CKM}$ unitarity tests:
 - ⇒ Both sides of the UT are constrained by $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$

$$\begin{split} R_t &\approx \sin \gamma \sim \left| \frac{V_{td}}{V_{cb}} \right| \\ R_t &\approx \sin \beta \sim \left| \frac{V_{ub}}{V_{cb}} \right| \end{split}$$

- ⇒ Another important observable for the UT $\epsilon_K \sim |V_{cb}|^4 + \dots$
- Tensions between inclusive and exclusive B-meson decays:

$$\Rightarrow \sim 1 - 3\sigma$$

- \Rightarrow Depending on the theo. and exp. approaches
- ⇒ NP explanations not competitive in accommodating the data [Crivellin, Pokorski; Jung, Straub]
- Sets our precision on FCNC:

$$\Rightarrow \left| V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \right|^2 \simeq |V_{cb}|^2 \left[1 + O(\lambda^2) \right]$$

 \Rightarrow Significantly limits NP searches



Theoretical framework for inclusive semileptonic *B*-decays

Effective Field Theories

Heavy modes $E_H \sim M$ cannot be resolved at low energies $E \sim \Lambda \ (M > \Lambda)$. We can **integrate them out** of the theory:

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int D\phi_L D\phi_H e^{iS(\phi_L, \phi_H) + i \int d^D x J_L(x)\phi_L(x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\Lambda} = \int D\phi_L e^{iS_{\Lambda}(\phi_L) + i \int d^D x J_L(x)\phi_L(x)}$$

- **The effective action** S_{Λ} is **nonlocal**
- **Local effective action** from an operator product expansion (OPE) of S_{Λ} with 1/M expansion parameter:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \sim rac{1}{M} \sum_{i} \mathcal{C}_{i}(\mu) \, \mathcal{O}_{i} + O\left(rac{1}{M^{2}}
ight)$$

Short-distance dynamics incorporated by **matching** the full theory onto the effective theory at a high scale μ_0

$$\mathcal{A}(M_1 \to M_2) = \langle M_2 | \mathcal{L}_{\text{full}} | M_1 \rangle$$
$$= \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i} \mathcal{C}_i(\mu_0) \langle M_2 | \mathcal{O}_i | M_1 \rangle (\mu_0)$$

Use renormalisation group techniques to run down the value of the effective coefficients from μ_0 to Λ



"The heavy quark effective theory (HQET) is constructed to provide a simplified description of processes where a heavy quark interacts with light degrees of freedom by the exchange of soft gluons."

- $\Rightarrow m_{\Omega}$ sets the high-scale
- $\Rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ scale of hadronic physics we want to describe
 - **Soft dominance**: a heavy quark inside a hadron moves with nearly the hadron's velocity v and is almost on-shell
 - $\Rightarrow p_O = m_O v + k$, with $|k| \ll |m_O v|$
 - \Rightarrow Heavy quark interactions with light degrees of freedom change its momentum by $\Delta k \sim \Lambda_{\rm QCD} \Rightarrow \Delta v \sim \Lambda_{\rm QCD} / m_O \rightarrow 0$
 - HQET describes properties of heavy hadrons
 - \Rightarrow Heavy quark fields cannot be fully integrated out
 - \Rightarrow Only the "small components" of the heavy quark fields are removed

The HQET Lagrangian

Let Q(x) be a heavy quark field. We project out its "large component" and "small component" fields:

$$h_v(x) = e^{im_Q v \cdot x} P_+ Q(x),$$

$$H_v(x) = e^{im_Q v \cdot x} P_- Q(x)$$

with the projectors $P_{\pm} = (1 \pm \phi)/2$

■ The HQET Lagrangian takes the form of an OPE in $1/m_Q$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}} &= \bar{h}_v \, iv \cdot D_s \, h_v + \frac{\mathcal{C}_{\text{kin}}}{2m_Q} \bar{h}_v \, (iD_{s\perp})^2 \, h_v \\ &+ \frac{\mathcal{C}_{\text{mag}} \, g_s}{4m_Q} \bar{h}_v \sigma_{\mu\nu} \, G_s^{\mu\nu} \, h_v + O(1/m_Q^2) \end{aligned}$$

with $D^{\mu}_{\perp} = D^{\mu} - v^{\mu}(v \cdot D)$

- ⇒ Leading term $\mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}}^{m_Q \to \infty} = \bar{h}_v \, iv \cdot D_s \, h_v$ invariant under $SU(2N_H)$ (N_H number of heavy flavours)
- ⇒ Heavy quark symmetry: form factor constraints, Isgur-Wise functions, relations between hadron masses, etc
- \Rightarrow Wilson coefficients $C_{\rm kin} = C_{\rm mag} = 1 + O(\alpha_s)$
- Connection between QCD and HQET fields at $O(1/m_b)$ but LO in α_s :

$$Q(x) = e^{-im_Q v \cdot x} \left(1 + i \frac{\not D_\perp}{2m_Q} + \dots \right) h_v(x)$$

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Power corrections

Power corrections of $O(1/m_b)$ parametrised in terms of the operators:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{kin}} = -\bar{h}_v \left(iD_{s\perp}\right)^2 h_v, \quad \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{mag}} = \frac{g_s}{2} \bar{h}_v \sigma_{\mu\nu} G_s^{\mu\nu} h_v$$

- $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{kin}$ kinetic energy of the heavy quark inside the hadron (Fermi motion)
- $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\rm mag}$ chromomagnetic interaction of the heavy quark spin with the gluon field
- Forward *B*-meson matrix elements:

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2m_B} \langle \bar{B}(v) | \mathcal{O}_{\rm kin} | \bar{B}(v) \rangle, \quad \lambda_2 = -\frac{1}{6m_B} \langle \bar{B}(v) | \mathcal{O}_{\rm mag} | \bar{B}(v) \rangle$$

- ⇒ QCD corrections: $\lambda_2 = \lambda_2(\mu)$, such that $C_{mag}(\mu)\lambda_2(\mu)$ is scale independent
- ⇒ Instead, λ_1 is protected by **reparametrisation invariance** and, hence, scale-independent: $C_{kin}(\mu) = 1$ to all orders
- $\Rightarrow |\bar{B}(v)\rangle$ in $\lambda_{1,2}$ eigenstates of $\mathcal{L}_{HQET}^{m_Q \to \infty}$. In terms of QCD states:

$$\mu_{\pi}^2 = -\lambda_1 + O(1/m_b), \quad \mu_G^2 = 3\lambda_2 + O(1/m_b)$$

 $\Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} \ ({\rm or} \ \mu^2_{\pi,G})$ constrained from B-meson dynamics and hadron spectroscopy:

$$K_b = -\frac{\lambda_1}{2m_b}, \quad m_{B^*}^2 - m_B^2 = 4\lambda_2$$

The Hadronic Tensor and the Local OPE



• Decay distribution $(B \to X_c \ell \nu)$:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2 \, dE_\ell \, dE_\nu} \sim \sum_{X_c} \sum_{\text{pols.}} \frac{|\langle X_c \ell \nu | \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} | B \rangle|^2}{2m_B} \delta^4(p_B - p_{X_c} - q)$$
$$= \frac{G_F^2 |V_{ub}|^2}{8\pi^3} L_{\mu\nu} W^{\mu\nu}$$

⇒ Inclusive decays: inclusive quantities do not depend on the hadronic final state

 \Rightarrow **Optical Theorem**: $d\Gamma \sim B$ -meson forward scattering amplitude

$$W^{\mu\nu} \sim \operatorname{Im} \int d^4x \, \mathrm{e}^{-iq \cdot x} \left\langle \bar{B} \right| T \left\{ \bar{b}(x) \gamma_{\mu} (1 - \gamma_5) c(x) \bar{c} \gamma^{\nu} (1 - \gamma_5) b \right\} \left| \bar{B} \right\rangle$$

 $\Rightarrow \mathbf{Form factors:} \ m_b \ W^{\mu\nu} = - W_1 \ g^{\mu\nu} + W_2 \ v^{\mu} v^{\nu} + i W_3 \ \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} v_{\rho} \hat{q}_{\sigma} + \dots$

 \Rightarrow Heavy Quark Expansion (HQE): OPE in $1/m_b$

$$W_{i} = W_{i}^{(0)} + W_{i}^{(\pi)} \frac{\mu_{\pi}^{2}}{m_{b}^{2}} + W_{i}^{(G)} \frac{\mu_{G}^{2}}{m_{b}^{2}} + W_{i}^{(D)} \frac{\rho_{D}^{3}}{m_{b}^{3}} + W_{i}^{(LS)} \frac{\rho_{LS}^{3}}{m_{b}^{3}} + \dots$$
$$W_{i}^{(j)} = \sum_{n} W_{i}^{(j,n)} \left(\frac{\alpha_{s}}{\pi}\right)^{n}$$

 $\stackrel{''}{\Rightarrow} W_i^{(j)} \text{ are perturbatively calculable coefficients}$ $\stackrel{''}{\Rightarrow} W_i^{(0)} \text{ up to } O(\beta_0 \alpha_s^2) \text{ (b decay), } W_i^{(\pi, G)} \text{ up to } O(\alpha_s), W_i^{(D,LS)} \text{ at tree-level,...}$ Inclusive V_{cb} : the HQE fit

The kinetic scheme

- The double series in Λ/m_b and α_s has a strong dependence on m_b
- If the **pole mass scheme** is used:
 - \Rightarrow **Renormalon** ambiguity
 - \Rightarrow Leads to a factorially divergent perturbative series for the width

$$\Gamma_{B\to X_c\ell\nu} \sim \sum_k k! \left(\frac{\beta_0}{2} \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^k$$

Kinetic scheme can be used to "resum" the divergent behaviour

$$\begin{split} m_{b}^{kin}(\mu) &= m_{D}^{\rm OS} - \left[\bar{\Lambda}(\mu)\right]_{pert} - \frac{\left[\mu_{\pi}^{2}(\mu)\right]_{pert}}{2m_{b}^{kin}(\mu)} \\ \mu_{\pi}^{2}(0) &= \mu_{\pi}^{2}(\mu) - \left[\mu_{\pi}^{2}(\mu)\right]_{pert} \\ \rho_{D}^{3}(0) &= \rho_{D}^{3}(\mu) - \left[\rho_{D}^{3}(\mu)\right]_{pert} \end{split}$$

- \Rightarrow Short-distance, **renormalon free** definition of heavy quark mass and OPE parameters
- \Rightarrow A Wilsonian cutoff $\mu \sim 1$ GeV is introduced to factor out IR physics
- ⇒ Beyond 1-loop, kinetic scheme conversion formulae usually realised via Small Velocity (SV) sum rules
- \Rightarrow Other renormalon subtracted masses available (PS, MRS, ...). The kinetic scheme is the only tailored on the HQE



[Belle PRD 75, 032001 (2007); BaBar PRD 81, 032003]

Inclusive observables M_i are **double series** in Λ/m_b and α_s :

$$\begin{split} M_i &= M_i^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} M_i^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 M_i^{(2)} + \left(M_i^{(\pi,0)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} M_i^{(\pi,1)}\right) \frac{\mu_{\pi}^2}{m_b^2} \\ &+ \left(M_i^{(G,0)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} M_i^{(G,1)}\right) \frac{\mu_G^2}{m_b^2} + M_i^{(D,0)} \frac{\rho_D^3}{m_b^3} + M_i^{(LS,0)} \frac{\rho_{LS}^3}{m_b^3} + \dots \end{split}$$

 \Rightarrow Moments of the kinematic distributions with exp. cuts, i.e.

$$\langle E_{\ell}^{n} \rangle_{E_{\ell} > E_{\ell}, \text{cut}} = \frac{\int_{E_{\ell} > E_{\ell}, \text{cut}} dE_{\ell} E_{\ell}^{n} \frac{d\Gamma}{dE_{\ell}}}{\Gamma_{E_{\ell} > E_{\ell}, \text{cut}}}, \quad R^{*}(E_{\ell}, \text{cut}) = \frac{\int_{E_{\ell}, \text{cut}}^{E_{\ell}, \max} dE_{\ell} \frac{d\Gamma}{dE_{\ell}}}{\int_{0}^{E_{\ell}, \max} dE_{\ell} \frac{d\Gamma}{dE_{\ell}}}, \quad \dots$$

 \Rightarrow total rate $\Gamma_{B \to X_c \ell \nu}$

[BABAR PRL 97, 171803 (2006); Buchmüller, Flächer; Gambino, Schwanda]

HQE fit and V_{cb}

 \blacksquare χ^2 -fit to the experimental data on the moments

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{ij} (M_{\rm HQE} - M_{\rm exp})_i C_{ij}^{\rm tot} (M_{\rm HQE} - M_{\rm exp})_j$$

with $C^{\text{tot}} = C^{\text{HQE}} + C^{\text{exp}}$

■ Total semileptonic branching fraction extracted in the fit by including available data on **partial fractions**

$$BR_{c\ell\nu E_{\ell,cut}} = BR_{c\ell\nu} R^*(E_{\ell,cut})$$

Total rate $\Gamma_{B \to X_c \ell \nu}$ used to extract $|V_{cb}|$

$$\Rightarrow |V_{cb}| = \sqrt{\frac{|V_{cb}|^2 \operatorname{BR}_{c\ell\nu}}{\tau_B \Gamma_{B \to X_c \ell\nu}}}$$



Three-loop calculations

• Newly available $O(\alpha_s^3)$ QCD corrections

 \Rightarrow Charm mass effects to the \overline{MS} – OS scheme relation





[Fael, Schoenwald, Steinhauser; JHEP 10 (2020) 087]

 \Rightarrow kinetic – \overline{MS} scheme relation for heavy quark masses



[Fael, Schoenwald, Steinhauser; PRD 103 (2021) 1, 014005]

⇒ Total decay rate $\Gamma_{B\to X_c\ell\nu}$, including finite charm mass effects



Heavy quark mass relations: $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -kinetic schemes at $O(\alpha_s^3)$

Using
$$\overline{m}_b(\overline{m}_b) = 4.163 \text{ GeV}$$
 and $\overline{m}_c(3 \text{ GeV}) = 1.279 \text{ GeV}$
 $\Rightarrow \overline{m}_b - m_b^{kin}$ in terms of $\alpha_s^{(3)}$. c quark mass effects only from $\overline{m}_b - m_b^{OS}$
 $m_b^{kin}(1 \text{ GeV}) = \begin{bmatrix} 4.163 + 0.248_{\alpha_s} + 0.080_{\alpha_s^2} + 0.030_{\alpha_s^3} \end{bmatrix} \text{GeV}$
 $= 4.520(15) \text{ GeV}$
 $\Rightarrow \overline{m}_b - m_b^{kin}$ in terms of $\alpha_s^{(4)}$. c quark mass effects from $\overline{m}_b - m_b^{OS}$ and
 $m_b^{kin} - m_b^{OS}$ due to recoupling
 $m_b^{kin}(1 \text{ GeV}) = \begin{bmatrix} 4.163 + 0.259_{\alpha_s} + 0.078_{\alpha_s^2} + 0.026_{\alpha_s^3} \end{bmatrix} \text{GeV}$
 $= 4.163(15) \text{ GeV}$
[Feel, Scheenwald, Steinhauser; Bordone, BC, Gambino]

 $\Rightarrow \overline{m}_b - m_b^{kin} \text{ in terms of } \alpha_s^{(4)} \text{ but } n_l = 4 \text{ in } m_b^{kin} - m_b^{OS} (n_l = \text{number of light quarks})$

$$\begin{split} m_b^{kin}(1\,\text{GeV}) &= \left[4.163 + 0.259_{\alpha_s} + 0.084_{\alpha_s^2} + 0.041_{\alpha_s^3} \right] \text{GeV} \\ &= 4.547(20)\,\text{GeV} \end{split}$$
[Fael, Schoenwald, Steinhauser]

 \Rightarrow Infinitely heavy charm mass: $\alpha_s^{(3)}$ and $n_l=3.$ No charm quark mass effects

$$m_b^{kin}(1 \text{ GeV}) = \begin{bmatrix} 4.163 + 0.248_{\alpha_s} + 0.081_{\alpha_s^2} + 0.030_{\alpha_s^3} \end{bmatrix} \text{GeV}$$

= 4.521(15) GeV [Fael, Schoenwald, Stee
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 $\Rightarrow O(\alpha_s^3)$ correction leads to a 50% reduction of the error on m_b^{kin}

Total width at $O(\alpha_s^3)$

- Total width $\Gamma_{B \to X_c \ell \nu}$ at three loops
 - \Rightarrow Finite charm mass effects via an expansion in $\delta = 1 - \rho = 1 - \frac{m_c^{OS}}{m^{OS}}$

[Fael, Schoenwald, Steinhauser]

 \Rightarrow Two loop correction converges well in this expansion down to $\rho \to 0$

[Czarnecki, Dowling, Piclum]

$$\Gamma_{B \to X_c \ell \nu} = \Gamma_0 \left[X_0 + C_F \sum_{n \ge 1} \frac{\alpha_s^{(5)}}{\pi} X_n \right]$$

with $\Gamma_0 = G_F^2 m_b^2 |V_{cb}|^2 / 192\pi^3$

Kinetic sc.: $\mu = 1$ GeV, $\alpha_s^{(4)}(\mu_b)$, $\mu_b = m_b^{kin}$ and $\overline{m}_c(3 \text{ GeV}) = 0.988$ GeV: $\Gamma_{B\to X_c\ell\nu} = \Gamma_0 f(\rho) \left[0.9255 - 0.1162_{\alpha_s} - 0.0350_{\alpha^2} - 0.0097_{\alpha^3} \right]$ [Fael, Schoenwald, Steinhauser; Bordone, BC, Gambino]

-50

-100

-200

-250

0.0

0.2

0.4

 $\rho = m_c/m_b$

0.6

⁶X⁴ -150

Kinetic sc.: $\mu = 1$ GeV, $\alpha_s^{(4)}(\mu_b)$, $\mu_b = m_b^{kin}$ and $\overline{m}_c(2 \text{ GeV}) = 1.091$ GeV: $\Gamma_{B \to X_c \ell \nu} = \Gamma_0 f(\rho) \left[0.9258 - 0.0878_{\alpha_s} - 0.0179_{\alpha_s^2} - 0.0005_{\alpha_s^3} \right]$

Better convergence with $\mu_c = 2 \text{ GeV}$ both at $O(\alpha_s^2)$ and $O(\alpha_s^3)$

 δ^5

 δ^{10}

 $- \delta^{11}$

 $- \delta^{12}$

1.0

0.8

Theory inputs HQE default fit

Quark masses: FLAG 2019 averages with $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ for $\overline{m}_b(\overline{m}_b) = 4.198(12)$ GeV and $\overline{m}_c(3 \text{ GeV}) = 0.988(7)$ GeV

⇒ b quark mass: kinetic scheme with $\alpha_s^{(4)}(\mu_b)$ (finite charm quark mass effects due to recoupling) and a Wilsonian cutoff $\mu = 1 \text{ GeV}$

$$\begin{split} m_b^{kin}(1\,\text{GeV}) &= \left[4.198 + 0.261_{\alpha_s} + 0.079_{\alpha_s^2} + 0.027_{\alpha_s^3} \right] \text{GeV} \\ &= 4.565(19)\,\text{GeV} \end{split}$$

[Bordone, BC, Gambino]

⇒ c quark mass: $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme (most precise determination of m_c). Avoid scales below ~ 2 GeV

$$\overline{m}_c(2\,\text{GeV}) = 1.198(12)\,\text{GeV}$$

[Bordone, BC, Gambino]

Total rate: kinetic scheme with $\mu = 1$ GeV, $\mu_b = m_b^{kin}/2$ and $\mu_c = 2$ GeV

$$\Gamma_{B \to X_c \ell \nu} = \Gamma_0 f(\rho) \left[0.9255 - 0.1140_{\alpha_s} - 0.0011_{\alpha_s^2} - 0.0103_{\alpha_s^3} \right]$$

 \Rightarrow + power corrections up to $O(1/m_b^3)$

[Bordone, BC, Gambino]



 \blacksquare Estimation of theoretical uncertainties is crucial for a reliable HQE fit and the extraction of V_{cb}

 \Rightarrow A fit without theoretical errors is a very poor fit $\chi^2/dof\sim 2$

[Bordone, BC, Gambino]

Perturbative uncertainty

- \Rightarrow Residual scale dependence of $\Gamma_{B\to X_c\ell\nu}$ at $O(\alpha_s^3)$
- \Rightarrow Max. spread within variations of μ_b , μ_c and μ
- \Rightarrow Conservative estimate of 0.7%

Theory uncertainties

- Uncertainty due to poorly known higher **power corrections**
 - $\Rightarrow O(\alpha_s \rho_D^3/m_b^3)$ correction is known but tiny
 - $\Rightarrow O(1/m_b^4)$ and $O(1/m_b^3m_c^2)$ power corrections: estimated as loose constraints on the OPE parameters via the **Lowest Lying State Saturation Approx** (LLSA)

$$\langle B | \mathcal{O}_1 \mathcal{O}_2 | B \rangle = \sum_n \langle B | \mathcal{O}_1 | n \rangle \langle n | \mathcal{O}_2 | B \rangle$$

[Mannel,Turczyk,Uraltsev; Heinonen, Mannel]

where $n = B, B^*$ (ground-state HQET multiplet) or excited states with suitable parity

- $\Rightarrow O(1/m_b^4)$ and $O(1/m_b^3m_c^2)$ errors affect the fit to the moments: extra error budget
- \Rightarrow Additive uncertainty due to quark-hadron duality violation

Final uncertainty estimate

- \Rightarrow 1.2% overall uncertainty on $\Gamma_{B \to X_c \ell \nu}$
- $\Rightarrow \sim 50\%$ reduction w.r.t. $O(\alpha_s^2)$

[Bordone, BC, Gambino]

m_b^{kin}	$\overline{m}_c(2 \text{GeV})$	μ_{π}^2	$ ho_D^3$	$\mu_g^2(m_b)$	$ ho_{LS}^3$	$BR_{B \to X_c \ell \nu}$	$10^3 \times V_{cb} $
4.573	1.092	0.477	0.185	0.306	-0.130	10.66	42.16
0.012	0.008	0.056	0.031	0.050	0.092	0.15	0.51

[Bordone, BC, Gambino]

- ⇒ Exp. data: $\langle E_{\ell}^n \rangle$ and $\langle m_X^{2n} \rangle$ moments + partial fractions from Belle & BaBar [Gambino, Schwanda]
- \Rightarrow Goodness-of-fit: $\chi^2/dof = 0.47$
- ⇒ Without *b*-quark mass constraint, we obtain $\overline{m}_b(\overline{m}_b) = 4.210(22)$ GeV (compatible with FLAG)
- \Rightarrow Determination of HQE params. with $\sim 15 20\%$ error
- ⇒ Robust determination of $|V_{cb}|$: 1.2% error and restricted sensitivity to theory errors and inputs

$$10^3 \times |V_{cb}| = 42.16(32)_{exp}(30)_{th}(25)_{\Gamma}$$

 \Rightarrow Updates 2014 result: $10^3 \times |V_{cb}| = 42.20(78)$ (same exp. data)

[Alberti, Gambino, Healey, Nandi]

 \Rightarrow Compatible with fit including higher power corrections through LLSA

$$10^3 \times |V_{cb}| = 42.00(53)$$

[Gambino, Healey, Turczyk; Bordone, BC, Gambino]

V_{cb} fits including q^2 moments (2022 & 2023)



[Fael, Prim, Vos]

Inclusive V_{ub} : challenges and the GGOU/NNVub approach

$B \to X_u \ell \nu$: theory status

• $W_i(q_0, q^2, \mu)$ up to $O(\beta_0 \alpha_s^2)$ and $O(1/m_b^3)$

$$\begin{split} W_i^{pert}(q_0, q^2, \mu) &= \left[W_i^{\text{tree}}(\hat{q}^2) + C_F \frac{\alpha_s(m_b)}{\pi} V_i^{(1)}(\hat{q}^2, \eta) + C_F \frac{\alpha_s^2 \beta_0}{\pi^2} V_i^{(2)}(\hat{q}^2, \eta) \right] \delta(1 + \hat{q}^2 - 2\hat{q}_0) \\ &+ C_F \frac{\alpha_s(m_b)}{\pi} \left[R_i^{(1)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2, \eta) + \frac{\alpha_s \beta_0}{\pi} R_i^{(2)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2, \eta) \right] \theta(1 + \hat{q}^2 - 2\hat{q}_0) \\ &+ C_F \frac{\alpha_s(m_b)}{\pi} \left[B_i^{(1)}(\hat{q}^2, \eta) + \frac{\alpha_s \beta_0}{\pi} B_i^{(2)}(\hat{q}^2, \eta) \right] \delta'(1 + \hat{q}^2 - 2\hat{q}_0) \\ W_i^{pow}(q_0, q^2, \mu) &= \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{2m_b^2} W_i^{(\pi, 0)} + \frac{\mu_G^2}{2m_b^2} W_i^{(G, 0)} + \frac{\rho_D^3}{3m_b^3} W_i^{(D, 0)} + \frac{\rho_{LS}^3}{3m_b^3} W_i^{(LS, 0)} \end{split}$$

- **Kinetic scheme**: OPE with a hard cutoff
 - \Rightarrow Induces modifications on the structure functions
 - \Rightarrow Real gluon emission spectrum

$$\begin{split} R_i^{(k)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2, \eta) &= \\ R_i^{\text{OS},(k)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2)\theta \left(w - \hat{q}_0\right)\theta \left(1 - 2\eta - \sqrt{\hat{q}^2}\right) \\ &+ R_i^{cut,(k)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2, \eta)\theta \left(\hat{q}_0 - w\right) \end{split}$$



Experimental backgrounds and phase space cuts



[Belle PRD 104 (2021) 1; Luke]

- $\blacksquare \ B \to X_c \ell \nu \text{ very CKM favoured w.r.t. } B \to X_u \ell \nu \ (|V_{cb}/V_{ub}| \sim 10)$
 - \Rightarrow Large charm backgrounds
 - $\Rightarrow B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$ signal difficult to measure
 - \Rightarrow Need to impose kinematic cuts:

$$\frac{m_b}{2} \sim E_{\ell}^{\max} \sim E_{\ell} > \frac{m_B^2 - m_D^2}{2m_B} \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \sim m_X^2 < m_D^2$$

• Convergence of the local OPE is destroyed within the region allowed by the kinematic cuts

$$\Rightarrow (m_b v + k - q)^2 = (m_b v - q)^2 + O(m_b \Lambda_{\rm QCD}) + O(\Lambda_{\rm QCD}^2) \approx (m_b v - q)^2$$

since $(m_b v - q)^2 \sim 0$

 \Rightarrow Region very sensitive to non-perturbative effects of $O(k) \sim O(\Lambda_{\rm QCD})$

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Shape function(s): $B \to X_s \gamma$

The residual $\sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ momentum of the *b*-quark in the *B*-meson cannot be encoded into the non-perturbative matrix elements of the OPE. Needs to be resumed into a non-perturbative **Shape Function**

[Neubert; Bigi, Shifman, Uraltsev, Vainshtein]

- $\frac{d\Gamma}{dE_{\gamma}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{\frac{m_b}{2}} \frac{m_b}{2}}_{\frac{m_b}{2}} E_{\gamma}$
- Partonic decay (tree level): $b(p) \rightarrow s(p')\gamma(q)$ with $p = m_b v$
 - $\Rightarrow \text{ Infinitely narrow photon line at} \\ E_{\gamma}^{(0)} = \frac{m_b}{2}$
- Hadronic level: $B(p_B) \to X_s(p_{X_s})\gamma(q)$
 - $\Rightarrow \text{ Hadronic kinematic boundary at} \\ E_{\gamma}^{\max} = \frac{m_B}{2}$
 - $\Rightarrow \text{Partonic vs hadronic dynamics:} \\ E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}} E_{\gamma}^{(0)} = \frac{m_B m_b}{2} \sim \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \text{Partonic dynamics} \ h(z) \rightarrow e^{(z)/z}$

⇒ Partonic dynamics:
$$b(p) \rightarrow s(p')\gamma(q)$$

with $p = m_b v + k$ and $k \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

Decay distribution $d\Gamma/dE_{\gamma}$ is smeared due to purely non-perturbative effects:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dE_{\gamma}} = \int dk_{+} F(k_{+}) \frac{d\Gamma^{\text{pert}}}{dE_{\gamma}} \left(E_{\gamma} - \frac{k_{+}}{2}\right)$$

Bigi, Shifman, Uraltsev, Vainshtein]

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Shape function(s) in $B \to X_u \ell \nu$

Factorisation formula for the W_i structure functions:

$$W_i(q_0, q^2) = \int dk_+ F(k_+) W_i^{pert} \left[q_0 - \frac{k_+}{2} \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{m_b M_B} \right), q^2 \right] + O(1/m_b)$$

- \Rightarrow The Shape Function (SF) is the parton distribution function for the b quark in the B meson
- ⇒ In the $m_b \to \infty$ limit, the Shape Function (SF) $F(k_+)$ is **universal**, i.e. shared by inclusive radiative and semileptonic decays
- \Rightarrow At finite m_b , non-universal subleading SFs emerge
- \Rightarrow SFs modelling is one of the **dominant uncertainties** in $|V_{ub}|$ determinations
- Different approaches for the estimation of the shape functions
 - ⇒ OPE constrains on the SF moments + parametrisation with / without resummation (GGOU, BLNP)
 - \Rightarrow Theory prediction based on resummed pQCD (**DGE**, **ADFR**)
 - \Rightarrow Global fit radiative $+ b \rightarrow u\ell\nu$ (SIMBA)

SFs in the GGOU Framework

Subleading $O(1/m_b)$ corrections absorbed into non-universal q^2 -dependent SFs:

$$W_i(q_0, q^2) = \int dk_+ F_i(k_+, q^2) W_i^{pert} \left[q_0 - \frac{k_+}{2} \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{m_b M_B} \right), q^2 \right]$$

SFs can be constrained by matching with the q_0 -moments of the OPE for the structure functions:

$$\int dk_{+}k_{+}^{n}F_{i}(k_{+},q^{2}) = \left(\frac{2}{\Delta}\right)^{n} \left[\delta_{n0} + \frac{J_{i}^{(n,0)}}{I_{i}^{(0,0)}}\right]$$

- \Rightarrow Matching consistency implies W_i up to $O(1/m_b^3)$ and W_i^{pert} at tree-level in the convolution formula
- $\Rightarrow I_i^{(n,0)}$ and $J_i^{(n,0)}$ are the *n*th central q₀-moments of $W_i^{\rm tree}$ and $W_i^{\rm pow}$ (up to $O(1/m_b^3))$, respectively
- \Rightarrow Different parametric families for $F_i(k_+,\,q^2)$ are used to estimate the theoretical errors



NNVub: GGOU + Neural Networks (update)

Employ artificial Neural Networks as unbiased interpolants for the SFs, instead of relying on different particular parametrisations



[Gambino, Healey, Mondino]

■ In GGOU $W_i(q_0, q^2)$ known through $O(\beta_0 \alpha_s^2)$ and $O(1/m_b^3)$ $\Rightarrow + O(\alpha_s \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2/m_b^2)$ corrections (done!) [BC, Gambino, Nandi] $\Rightarrow + O(\alpha_s^2)$ corrections (in progress) [Broggio, BC, Ferroglia, Gambino]

• Knowing the $O(\alpha_s \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2/m_b^2)$ corrections to $W_i(q_0, q^2)$ allows to constrain the SFs moments up to $O(\alpha_s)$

$$\int dk_{+}k_{+}^{n}F_{i}(k_{+},q^{2}) = \left(\frac{2}{\Delta}\right)^{n} \left[\delta_{n0} + \frac{J_{i}^{(n,0)}}{I_{i}^{(0,0)}} + O(\alpha_{s})\right]$$

[BC, Gambino, Nandi]

Update NNVub: first preliminary results

- Heuristic perspective: $F_i(k_+, q^2)$ must have a peak at $k_+ \sim (-\bar{\Lambda}, 0)$ and $F_i(k_+, q^2) \rightarrow 0$ rapidly as $k_+ \rightarrow -\infty$, ⇒ SFs parametrisation
 - $F_i(k_+, q^2) = (c_{i0} + c_{i1}q^2) e^{-[(c_{i2} + c_{i3}q^2)(\bar{\Lambda} k_+)]^2} (\bar{\Lambda} k_+)^{(c_{i4} + c_{i5}q^2)} N_i(k_+, q^2)$ with $N_i(k_+, q^2)$ a **neural network**

First results training **only** with the moments (not including $O(\alpha_s)$ corrections yet!)



Update NNVub: computational challenge

• Available data on $B \to X_u \ell \nu$ kinematic distributions

 \Rightarrow Training with data is computationally challenging: solve triple SF convolution integrals at each epoch of the training

$$\left\langle \frac{d\Gamma_{B \to X_u \ell \nu}}{dE_\ell} \right\rangle_{E_\ell > E_{\ell, \text{cut}}}^{\text{bin}} \sim \int_{\text{bin}} dE_\ell \int d\hat{q}^2 \int_{\underline{2\hat{q}_0 - 1 - \hat{q}^2}}^{\hat{\Lambda}} d\kappa$$
$$F_i(\kappa, \hat{q}^2, \mu) \left[R_i^{(1)} \left(\hat{q}_0 - \frac{\Delta}{2}\kappa, \hat{q}^2 \right) + \frac{\alpha_s \beta_0}{\pi} R_i^{(2)} \left(\hat{q}_0 - \frac{\Delta}{2}\kappa, \hat{q}^2 \right) \right]$$



Final remarks

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■ New $O(\alpha_s^3)$ calculations instrumental to further constrain theoretical errors. Theoretical uncertainties well under control

- \Rightarrow V_{cb} from inclusive decays at ~ 1% accuracy
- ⇒ Higher power corrections are becoming available, i.e. $O(\alpha_s \rho_D^3/m_b^3)$ for $\Gamma_{B\to X_c\ell\nu}$. Computations under way for the moments [Mannel, Pivovarov; Nandi, Gambino]

■ New frameworks for the inclusive determination of V_{cb}

- ⇒ Reparametrisation invariance (RI) to include higher power corrections but control proliferation of OPE parameters in the fit. Price to pay: only RI observables can be used. Larger errors on the extraction of V_{cb}
- ⇒ Lattice computations to supplement the HQE fit [Gambino, Hashimoto]
- ⇒ Measurements of new observables (i.e. FB asymmetry) already feasible in the *B* factories
- V_{cb} puzzle remains: inclusive vs exclusive tension not solved (~ 4σ with the latest FNAL/MILC form factors for $B \to D^* \ell \nu$)!

Final remarks

- Long standing discrepancy in the determination of $|V_{ub}|$ between $1 3\sigma$
 - $\Rightarrow V_{ub}$ is important to understand the structure of CP-violation and to obtain high precision calculations for NP searches
 - ⇒ Work needs to be done to better understand the non-perturbative dynamics in $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$, in particular the SFs
- Newly available $O(\alpha_s \Lambda_{\rm QCD}^2/m_b^2)$ corrections to $B \to X_u \ell \nu$:
 - ⇒ This will allow us to include $O(\alpha_s)$ contributions to constrain the moments of the SFs
- In progress: update of the NNVub framework
 - \Rightarrow Successful training of the Neural Network representation of the SFs with the q_0 -moments
 - ⇒ Implementation of the kinematic distributions in the training: a computational challenge (work in progress as we speak!)
 - ⇒ Goal: training with both q_0 -moments and data on the kinematic distributions (measured by Belle). Extraction of $V_{ub} + b \rightarrow u\ell\nu$ -based HQE fit

Thank you!

Back-up slides

Tensions in V_{ub} : exclusive vs inclusive

Inclusive
$$(B \to X_u \ell \nu)$$
:

$$\Rightarrow |V_{ub}| = \sqrt{\frac{|V_{ub}|^2 BR_{u\ell\nu}}{\tau_B \Gamma_{B \to X_u \ell \nu}}}.$$

$$V_{ub}^{incl.}| = (4.32 \pm 0.12^{+0.12}_{-0.13}) \times 10^{-3}.$$
[HFLAV 2019]
$$B = CClusive (B \to \pi \ell^+ \nu):$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} = \frac{G_F^2 |V_{ub}|^2}{24\pi^3} |p_\pi|^3 |f_+(q^2)|^2.$$

$$\Rightarrow Form factor f_+(q^2) \text{ from Lattice and / or LCSRs.}}$$

$$|V_{ub}^{excl.}| = (3.67 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-3}.$$
[HFLAV 2019]
$$\int \frac{G_{ab}}{2} \int \frac{1}{5} \int$$

[Gambino, Kronfeld, Rotondo, Schwanda, Bernlochner, et al]

⇒ Tensions (inclusive vs exclusive) ~ $1 - 3\sigma$ (depending on the theo. and exp. approaches).

Perturbative power suppressed effects in $B \to X_u \ell \nu$

$W_i^{(1)}, W_i^{(\pi,1)}$ and $W_i^{(G,1)}$ with massive charm

Explicit calculation at $O(\alpha_s)$ available for $B \to X_c \ell \nu$.

 \Rightarrow Schematic structure:

$$\begin{split} W_i^{(1)} &= w_i^{(0)} \left\{ S_i \,\delta(\hat{u}) - 2 \left(1 - E_0 I_1\right) \left[\frac{1}{\hat{u}}\right]_+ + \frac{\theta(\hat{u})}{(\rho + \hat{u})} \right\} + R_i \,\theta(\hat{u}), \\ R_i &= \frac{r_i^{(1)} \hat{u} + r_i^{(2)} \rho}{(\hat{u} + \rho)^2} + \frac{s_i}{\hat{u} + \rho} + t_i. \end{split}$$
 [Aquila, Gambino, Ridolfi, Ural

Explicit calculation at $O(\alpha_s \Lambda_{\rm QCD}^2/m_b^2)$ available for $B \to X_c \ell \nu$.

 \Rightarrow Schematic structure:

$$\begin{split} W_i^{(\pi,1)} &= w_i^{(0)} \frac{\lambda_0}{3} \left(S_i + 3(1 - E_0 I_{1,0}) \right) \delta''(\hat{u}) + b_i \, \delta'(\hat{u}) + c_i \, \delta(\hat{u}) \\ &+ d_i \left[\frac{1}{\hat{u}^3} \right]_+ + e_i \left[\frac{1}{\hat{u}^2} \right]_+ + f_i \left[\frac{1}{\hat{u}} \right]_+ + R_i^{(\pi)} \, \theta(\hat{u}), \\ R_i^{(\pi)} &= \frac{p_i^{(1)} \hat{u} + p_i^{(2)} \rho}{(\hat{u} + \rho)^4} + \frac{q_i}{(\hat{u} + \rho)^3} + \frac{r_i}{(\hat{u} + \rho)^2} + \frac{s_i}{\hat{u} + \rho} + t_i. \end{split}$$
[Alberti, Eweth, Gambino, Nadi; Alberti, Gambino, Nadi; A

The generalized plus distributions are defined by

$$\int d\hat{u} \left[\frac{\ln^n \hat{u}}{\hat{u}^m} \right]_+ f(\hat{u}) = \int_0^1 d\hat{u} \frac{\ln^n \hat{u}}{\hat{u}^m} \left[f(\hat{u}) - \sum_{p=0}^{m-1} \frac{\hat{u}^p}{p!} f^{(p)}(0) \right]$$

[Alberti, Ewerth, Gambino, Nandi; Alberti, Gambino, Nandi]

Cancellation of collinear divergences in the massless limit

Compute the limit $\rho \to 0$ of the structures $W_i^{(1)}$, $W_i^{(\pi,1)}$ and $W_i^{(G,1)}$.

Collinear divergences emerge under phase-space integration, together with $\rho \rightarrow 0$.

 $\Rightarrow \hat{u}$ allowed range: $0 \leq \hat{u} \leq \hat{u}_+ = (1 - \sqrt{\hat{q}^2})^2 - \rho.$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\rho \to 0} \int_0^1 d\hat{u} \, \frac{1}{(\hat{u} + \rho)^n} \to \infty.$$

Make collinear divergences apparent ($\sim \ln \rho$, $\sim \ln^2 \rho$, $\sim 1/\rho$, $\sim 1/\rho^2$, etc.) by introducing the appropriate distributions.

$$\frac{1}{(\hat{u}+\rho)^3} \to \left[\frac{1}{\hat{u}^3}\right]_+ + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{\rho^2} - 1\right)\delta(\hat{u}) - \left(\frac{1}{2\rho} - 1\right)\delta'(\hat{u}) \\ - \frac{1}{4}(3+2\ln\rho)\,\delta''(\hat{u})$$

⇒ Collinear divergences in more complicated structures of the type $I_1 \left\lfloor \frac{1}{\hat{u}^n} \right\rfloor_+$ are more involved but can be extracted.

$$I_{1}\left[\frac{1}{\hat{u}}\right]_{+} \rightarrow -\frac{1}{6\hat{w}}\left(\pi^{2}+3\ln^{2}\rho\right)\delta(\hat{u})+\frac{2\ln\hat{w}}{\hat{w}}\left[\frac{1}{\hat{u}}\right]_{+}$$
$$+\frac{1}{\hat{w}}\left[\frac{\ln\hat{u}}{\hat{u}}\right]_{+}+\frac{1}{\hat{u}\hat{w}}\left(\ln\frac{\hat{u}}{\hat{w}^{2}}+\hat{w}\mathcal{I}_{1}\right)$$

 $\Rightarrow \hat{q}^2$ distr. and \hat{E}_{ℓ} distr. are observables: divergences cancel between virtual and real radiation structures.

Applications: total width and \hat{q}^2 distribution

• $O(\alpha_s \Lambda_{\rm QCD}^2/m_b^2)$ corrections to the total rate (pole mass scheme):

$$\Gamma_{B \to X_u \ell \nu} = \Gamma_0 \left[\left(1 - 2.41 \, \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right) \left(1 - \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{2m_b^2} \right) - \left(1.5 + 4.98 \, \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right) \frac{\mu_G^2(m_b)}{m_b^2} \right]$$

- [BC, Gambino, Nar
- $\Rightarrow \Gamma_0 = G_F^2 |V_{ub}|^2 m_b^5 / 192\pi^3 \text{ is the lowest order result.}$
- $\Rightarrow O(\alpha_s \mu_{\pi}^2/m_b^2)$ comply with **Reparametrisation Invariance**.
- $\Rightarrow O(\alpha_s \mu_G^2/m_b^2)$ agrees with previous result in the literature.

[Mannel, Pivovarov, Rosenthal]

 $\blacksquare O(\alpha_s \Lambda_{\rm QCD}^2/m_b^2) \text{ corrections to the } \hat{q}^2 \text{ distribution.}$



⇒ Total correction very small over the whole \hat{q}^2 range, except close to the endpoint (soft dynamics dominated region). [BC, Gambino, Nandi]

Applications: \hat{q}_0 moments

a \hat{q}_0 moments of the $O(\alpha_s \mu_{\pi}^2/m_b^2)$ and $O(\alpha_s \mu_G^2/m_b^2)$ structures will place further constraints on the SFs moments.

■ Central moments of the perturbative and power suppressed contributions

$$J_{i,X}^{(n,j)}(\hat{q}^2) = \int_0^\infty (\hat{q}_0 - \hat{q}_0^{max})^n \ W_i^{(X,j)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2) \ d\hat{q}_0,$$

with j = 0, 1 and $X = \pi, G$ and $\hat{q}_0^{max} = \frac{1 + \hat{q}^2}{2}$.

■ We also define,

$$\begin{split} J_i^{(n)}(\hat{q}^2) &= \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{2m_b^2} J_{i,\pi}^{(n,0)}(\hat{q}^2) + \frac{\mu_G^2}{2m_b^2} J_{i,G}^{(n,0)}(\hat{q}^2) \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \left[\frac{\mu_\pi^2}{2m_b^2} C_F J_{i,\pi}^{(n,1)}(\hat{q}^2) + \frac{\mu_G^2}{2m_b^2} J_{i,G}^{(n,1)}(\hat{q}^2) \right]. \end{split}$$

[BC, Gambino, Nandi]

Applications: \hat{q}_0 moments

• Compare the moments $J_i^{(n)}$ with and without the $O(\alpha_s \Lambda^2/m_b^2)$ corrections.



 $\Rightarrow O(\alpha_s \Lambda^2/m_b^2) \text{ corrections to the zeroth moments are relatively small in most of the <math>\hat{q}^2$ range for $J_{1,2}^{(0)}$, and significant for $J_3^{(0)}$. $\Rightarrow O(\alpha_s \Lambda^2/m_b^2) \text{ corrections to the higher moments are generally moderate.}$

[BC, Gambino, Nandi]