

Precision calculations of semileptonic B decays

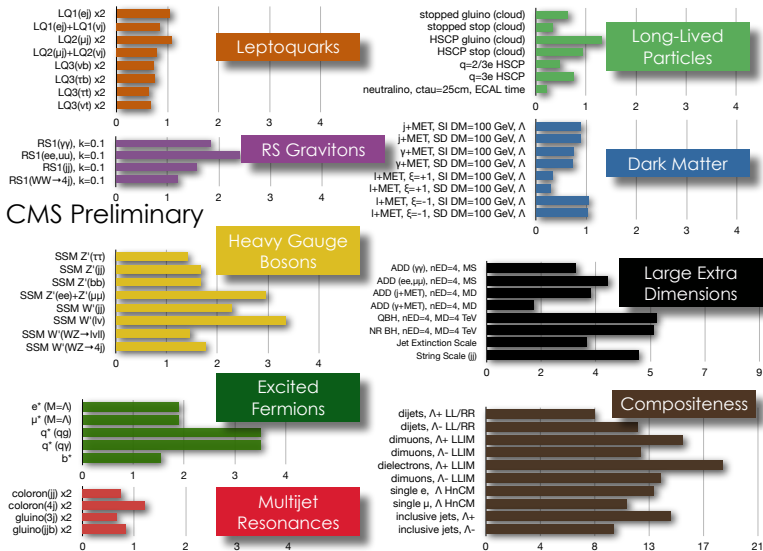
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Where do we stand now?

- Big success of the SM and no evidences of NP \implies Precision physics (Higgs, flavor ...).



Triumphs of flavor physics

- [1963](#): concept of flavor mixing [[Cabibbo](#)].
- [1973](#): quark-flavor mixing with 3 generations includes CP violation [[KM mechanism](#)].
- [1974](#): prediction of the charm mass from $K_0 - \bar{K}_0$ mixing. [[Gaillard and Lee](#)].
- [1987](#): prediction of the top mass from $B_0 - \bar{B}_0$ mixing observed by AUGUS (DESY) and UA1 (CERN).
- [2001](#): large CP violation in B meson decays [[BaBar and Belle](#)].
- [2004](#): direct CP violation in B meson decays [[BaBar and Belle](#)].

Why flavor matters in the LHC era?

- Indirect probe of BSM physics beyond direct reach.

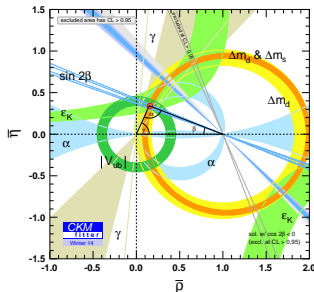
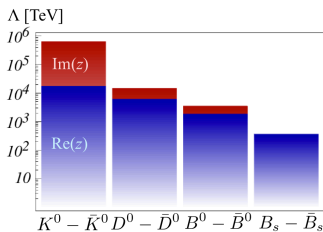
- ▶ EFT parametrization of BSM physics:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{dim4}^{SM} + \sum_{n>4} \sum_i z_{(i)}^n \frac{1}{\Lambda^{n-4}} Q_i^{(n)}.$$

- ▶ Dimension- n operator $Q_i^{(n)}$ is $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ gauge invariant.
- ▶ Higher dimension operator $Q_i^{(n)}$ suppressed by the large scale.
- ▶ Two examples: (a) leading NP operators of $D = 6$ for $\Delta F = 2$ processes

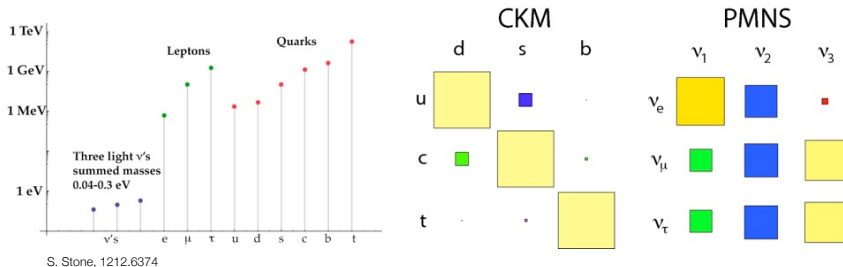
$$Q_{AB,ij}^{(6)} = [\bar{q}_i \Gamma^A q_j] \otimes [\bar{q}_i \Gamma^B q_j],$$

(b) unitarity of the CKM triangles.



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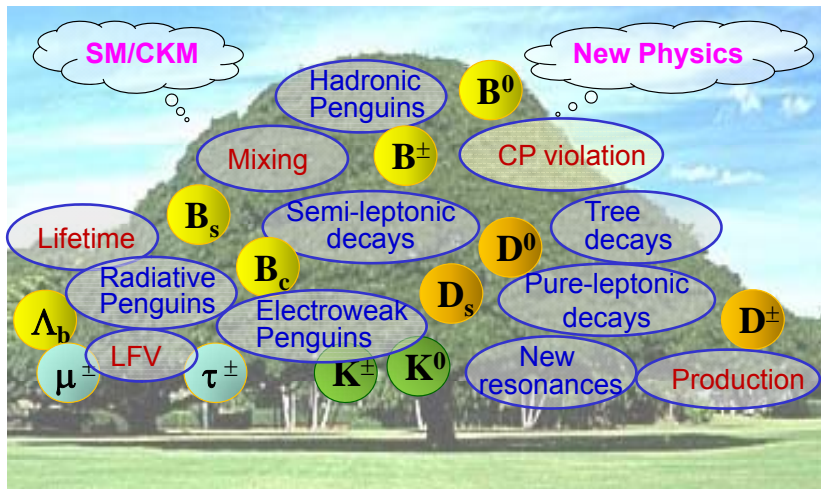
- Find the underlying principle for the flavor structure.
Suggestive pattern of masses and mixings.



- Why are the quark masses (except the top) so small compared with the v_{ev} ?
- Why is the CKM matrix hierarchical?
- Why is CKM so different from the PMNS?
- Why do we have three families?
- Sources of flavor symmetry and violation?

Why flavor matters in the LHC era?

- Excellent opportunities to explore the strong interaction dynamics:



QCD factorization theorems, effective field theories, resummation techniques, non-perturbative QCD dynamics, QCD sum rules.

Theory tools for precision flavor physics

New Physics: \mathcal{L}_{NP}

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EW scale (m_W): $\mathcal{L}_{SM} + \mathcal{L}_{D>4}$

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Heavy-quark scale (m_b): $\mathcal{L}_{eff} = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_i C_i Q_i + \mathcal{L}_{eff,D>6}$

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QCD scale (Λ_{QCD})

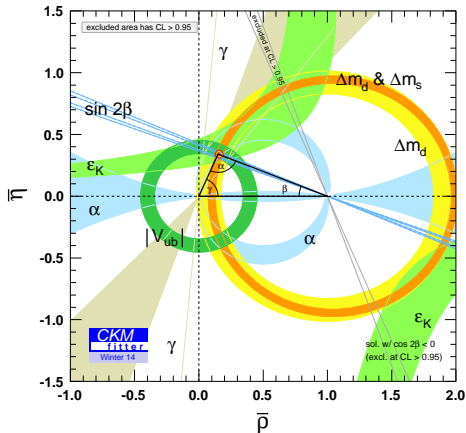
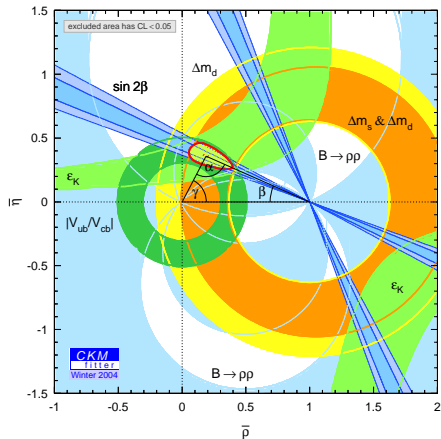
- Aim: $\langle f | Q_i | \bar{B} \rangle = ?$
- QCD factorization [BBNS approach].
- TMD factorization.
- SCET factorization.
- (Light-cone) QCD sum rules.
- Lattice QCD.

Ten years of flavour factories

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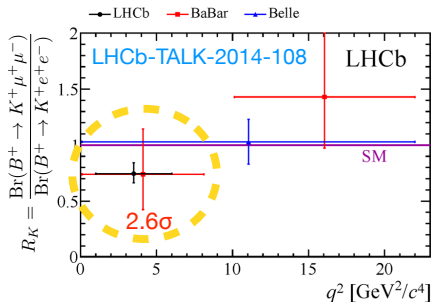
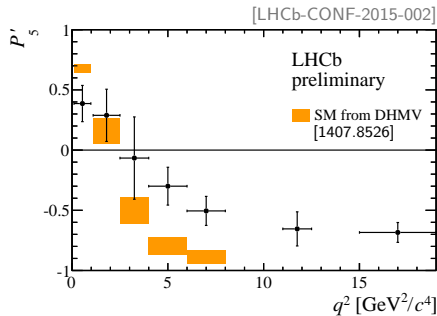


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Anomalies in FCNC processes

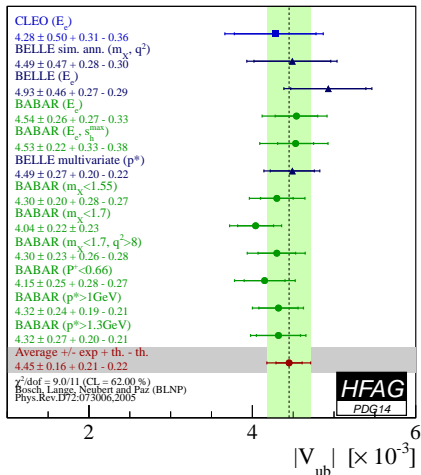
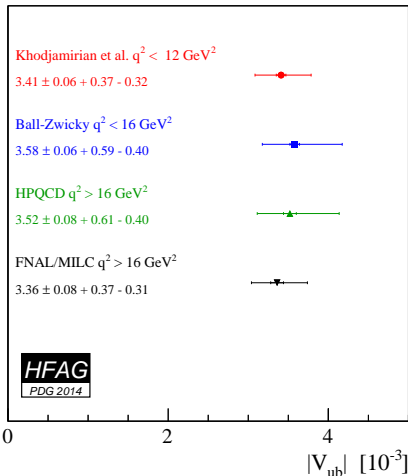
A few “anomalies” exist in $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \ell^-$.



- Indication of BSM physics or ignorance of QCD dynamics?
- P'_5 anomaly below 6 GeV² more serious [power corrections].
- Violation of lepton flavor universality [QED corrections].
- Need more data and theoretical efforts.

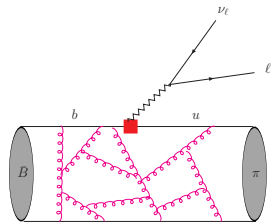
$|V_{ub}|$ puzzle

3σ tension between exclusive and inclusive $|V_{ub}|$.



BSM physics or ignorance of the strong interaction dynamics?

Semileptonic $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$ decays



Hadronic matrix element:

$$\langle \pi(p) | \bar{u} \gamma_\mu b | \bar{B}(p+q) \rangle = f_{B\pi}^+(q^2) \left[p_B + p - \frac{m_B^2 - m_\pi^2}{q^2} q \right]_\mu + f_{B\pi}^0(q^2) \frac{m_B^2 - m_\pi^2}{q^2} q_\mu.$$

- Lepton spectrum:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} = \frac{G_F^2 |V_{ub}|^2}{24\pi^3 q^4 m_B^2} (q^2 - m_l^2)^2 |\vec{p}_\pi| \times \left[\left(1 + \frac{m_l^2}{q^2} \right) m_B^2 |\vec{p}_\pi|^2 |f_{B\pi}^+(q^2)|^2 + \frac{3m_l^2}{8q^2} (m_B^2 - m_\pi^2)^2 |f_{B\pi}^0(q^2)|^2 \right].$$

- Still the best way to determine $|V_{ub}|$ exclusively in the continuum approach!
- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p \ell \nu$ decays also become important now [LHCb, arXiv:1504.01568].

$$|V_{ub}| = \left(3.27 \pm 0.23 \right) \times 10^{-3}.$$

$B \rightarrow \pi$ form factors from the B -meson LCSR

- Starting point: vacuum-to- B -meson correlation function

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_\mu(p, q) &= \int d^4x e^{ip \cdot x} \langle 0 | T \{ \bar{d}(x) \not{\epsilon} \gamma_5 u(x), \bar{u}(0) \gamma_\mu b(0) \} | \bar{B}(p+q) \rangle \\ &= \Pi(n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p) n_\mu + \tilde{\Pi}(n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p) \bar{n}_\mu, \\ n \cdot p &= \frac{m_B^2 + m_\pi^2 - q^2}{m_B}, \quad \bar{n} \cdot p \sim O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}), \quad p+q \equiv m_B v = \frac{m_B}{2} (n + \bar{n}). \end{aligned}$$

- Inserting complete set of pion states \rightarrow hadronic sum:

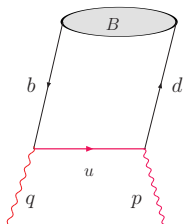
$$\tilde{\Pi}(n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p) =$$

+

$$\frac{f_\pi(n \cdot p) m_B}{2(m_\pi^2 - p^2)} \underbrace{\left[\frac{n \cdot p}{m_B} f_{B\pi}^+(n \cdot p) + f_{B\pi}^0(n \cdot p) \right]}_{\text{relative sign changes for } \Pi(n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p)}$$

$$\int_{\omega_s}^{+\infty} d\omega' \frac{\tilde{\rho}^h(n \cdot p, \omega')}{\omega' - \bar{n} \cdot p}$$

OPE calculation of the correlation function



Factorization at tree level:

$$\tilde{\Pi}(n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p) = \tilde{f}_B m_B \int_0^{+\infty} d\omega' \frac{\phi_B^-(\omega')}{\omega' - \bar{n} \cdot p} + O(\alpha_s),$$

$$\Pi(n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p) = O(\alpha_s),$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{B\pi}^0(n \cdot p) = \frac{n \cdot p}{m_B} f_{B\pi}^+(n \cdot p) + O(\alpha_s).$$

- Light-cone DAs of B -meson:

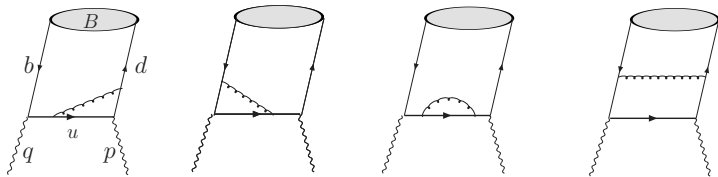
$$m_B \tilde{f}_B \phi_B^+(\omega) = \int \frac{d\tau}{2\pi} e^{i\omega\tau} \langle 0 | \bar{q}(\tau n) [\tau n, 0] \not{n} \gamma_5 h_v(0) | \bar{B}(m_B v) \rangle.$$

$[\phi_B^-(\omega)$ defined in a similar way.]

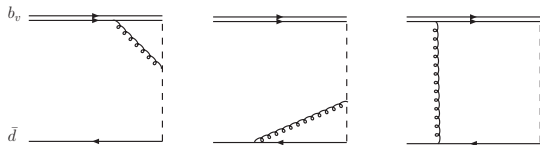
- QCD correction involving $\phi_B^+(\omega')$ at NLO must be IR finite.
- Symmetry breaking of the form-factor relation at NLO must be IR finite.

Factorization of the correlation function

- Light-cone OPE: $0 > \bar{n} \cdot p \sim O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$.



- Cancellation of the soft divergences.



- Diagrammatic factorization:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pi_\mu &= \Pi_\mu^{(0)} + \Pi_\mu^{(1)} + \dots = \Phi_B \otimes T \\
 &= \Phi_B^{(0)} \otimes T^{(0)} + \left[\Phi_B^{(0)} \otimes T^{(1)} + \Phi_B^{(1)} \otimes T^{(0)} \right] + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Phi_B^{(0)} \otimes T^{(1)} = \Pi_\mu^{(1)} - \Phi_B^{(1)} \otimes T^{(0)}.$$

Sample calculation: the weak vertex diagram

- Strategy:

- (i) Identify the leading regions of the scalar integrals.
- (ii) Evaluate the contribution of each region using the method of regions.
- (iii) Perform the soft subtraction [the same as the QCD amplitude in the soft region].

- QCD amplitude:

$$\Pi_{\mu,weak}^{(1)} = \frac{g_s^2 C_F}{2(\bar{n} \cdot p - \omega)} \int \frac{d^D l}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{1}{[(p-k+l)^2 + i0][(m_b v + l)^2 - m_b^2 + i0][l^2 + i0]}$$

$$\bar{d}(k) \not{n} \gamma_5 \not{n} \underbrace{\gamma_\rho (\not{p} - \not{k} + l) \gamma_\mu (m_b \not{v} + l + m_b) \gamma^\rho b(p_b)}_{\text{soft } \Downarrow \text{ region}}$$

$2 n \cdot p m_b \gamma_\mu$

- Soft subtraction [Wilson-line Feynman rules]:

$$\Phi_{B,weak}^{(1)} \otimes T^{(0)} = \frac{g_s^2 C_F}{2(\bar{n} \cdot p - \omega)} \int \frac{d^D l}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{1}{[\bar{n} \cdot (p-k+l) + i0][v \cdot l + i0][l^2 + i0]}$$

$$\bar{d}(k) \not{n} \gamma_5 \not{n} \gamma_\mu b(p_b).$$

- Compute the hard and hard-collinear contributions with the light-cone projector.

$$\mathcal{M}_{\beta\alpha}^B = -\frac{i\tilde{f}_B m_B}{4} \left\{ \frac{1+\not{v}}{2} \left[\phi_B^+(\omega) \not{n} + \phi_B^-(\omega) \not{\bar{n}} - \frac{2}{D-2} \omega \phi_B^-(\omega) \gamma_\perp^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\perp^\mu} \right] \right\}_{\alpha\beta}.$$

Factorization of the correlation function

- Aim: Factorization of the correlation function.

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\Pi}(n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p) &= \tilde{f}_B m_B \sum_{k=\pm} \int \frac{d\omega}{\omega - \bar{n} \cdot p} \tilde{T}^{(k)}(n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p, \omega, \mu) \phi_B^{(k)}(\omega, \mu) \\ &= \tilde{f}_B m_B \sum_{k=\pm} \tilde{C}^{(k)}(n \cdot p, \mu) \int \frac{d\omega}{\omega - \bar{n} \cdot p} \tilde{J}^{(k)}\left(\frac{\mu^2}{n \cdot p \omega}, \frac{\omega}{\bar{n} \cdot p}\right) \phi_B^{(k)}(\omega, \mu).\end{aligned}$$

Similar factorization formula for $\Pi(n \cdot p, \bar{n} \cdot p)$.

- Hard functions [Y.M.W and Y.L. Shen, 2015]:

$$\begin{aligned}C^{(+)}(n \cdot p, \mu) &= \tilde{C}^{(+)}(n \cdot p, \mu) = 1, & C^{(-)}(n \cdot p, \mu) &= \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \frac{1}{\bar{r}} \left[\frac{r}{\bar{r}} \ln r + 1 \right], & r &= \frac{n \cdot p}{m_b}, \\ \tilde{C}^{(-)}(n \cdot p, \mu) &= 1 - \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left[2 \ln^2 \frac{\mu}{n \cdot p} + 5 \ln \frac{\mu}{n \cdot p} - \ln^2 r - 2 \text{Li}_2\left(\frac{r-1}{r}\right) + \frac{2-r}{r-1} \ln r + \frac{\pi^2}{12} + 5 \right].\end{aligned}$$

- Hard matching coefficient of the QCD weak current [Bauer et al, 2001; Beneke et al, 2004]:

$$\bar{q} \gamma_\mu b \rightarrow [C_4 \bar{n}_\mu + C_5 v_\mu] \bar{\xi}_{\bar{n}} b_v + \dots$$

Perturbative matching coefficients independent of the external states \Rightarrow

$$C^{(-)} = \frac{1}{2} C_5, \quad \tilde{C}^{(-)} = C_4 + \frac{1}{2} C_5.$$

Factorization of the correlation function

- Jet functions [Y.M.W and Y.L. Shen, 2015]:

$$J^{(+)}(\bar{n} \cdot p, \omega, \mu) = \frac{1}{r} \tilde{J}^{(+)}(\bar{n} \cdot p, \omega, \mu) = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{n} \cdot p}{\omega}\right) \ln \left(1 - \frac{\omega}{\bar{n} \cdot p}\right),$$

$$J^{(-)}(\bar{n} \cdot p, \omega, \mu) = 1,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{J}^{(-)}(\bar{n} \cdot p, \omega, \mu) = & 1 + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left[\ln^2 \frac{\mu^2}{n \cdot p(\omega - \bar{n} \cdot p)} - 2 \ln \frac{\bar{n} \cdot p - \omega}{\bar{n} \cdot p} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{n \cdot p(\omega - \bar{n} \cdot p)} \right. \\ & \left. - \ln^2 \frac{\bar{n} \cdot p - \omega}{\bar{n} \cdot p} - \left(1 + \frac{2\bar{n} \cdot p}{\omega}\right) \ln \frac{\bar{n} \cdot p - \omega}{\bar{n} \cdot p} - \frac{\pi^2}{6} - 1 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

In agreement with the jet functions computed in SCET [De Fazio, Feldmann and Hurth, 2008].

- Cancellation of the factorization-scale dependence:

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu} \tilde{C}^{(-)}(n \cdot p, \mu) = -\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left[4 \ln \frac{\mu}{n \cdot p} + 5 \right] \tilde{C}^{(-)}(n \cdot p, \mu),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d \ln \mu} \tilde{J}^{(-)}(\bar{n} \cdot p, \omega, \mu) = & \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left[4 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{n \cdot p \omega} \right] \tilde{J}^{(-)}(\bar{n} \cdot p, \omega, \mu) \\ & + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \int_0^\infty d\omega' \omega \Gamma(\omega, \omega', \mu) \tilde{J}^{(-)}(\bar{n} \cdot p, \omega', \mu), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d \ln \mu} [\tilde{f}_B \phi_B^-(\omega, \mu)] = & -\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left[4 \ln \frac{\mu}{\omega} - 5 \right] [\tilde{f}_B \phi_B^-(\omega, \mu)] \\ & - \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \int_0^\infty d\omega' \omega \Gamma(\omega, \omega', \mu) [\tilde{f}_B \phi_B^-(\omega', \mu)], \end{aligned}$$

$B \rightarrow \pi$ form factors from the B -meson LCSR

- B -meson LCSR @ NLO:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_\pi e^{-m_\pi^2/(n \cdot p \omega_M)} & \left\{ \frac{n \cdot p}{m_B} f_{B\pi}^+(n \cdot p), f_{B\pi}^0(n \cdot p) \right\} \\
 & = \tilde{f}_B(\mu) \int_0^{\omega_s} d\omega' e^{-\omega'/\omega_M} \left[r \tilde{C}^{(+)}(n \cdot p, \mu) \phi_{B,\text{eff}}^+(\omega', \mu) + \tilde{C}^{(-)}(n \cdot p, \mu) \phi_{B,\text{eff}}^-(\omega', \mu) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \pm \frac{n \cdot p - m_B}{m_B} \left(C^{(+)}(n \cdot p, \mu) \phi_{B,\text{eff}}^+(\omega', \mu) + C^{(-)}(n \cdot p, \mu) \phi_B^-(\omega', \mu) \right) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

- Effective DAs:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi_{B,\text{eff}}^+(\omega', \mu) & = 0 + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \int_{\omega'}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{\omega} \phi_B^+(\omega, \mu), \\
 \phi_{B,\text{eff}}^-(\omega', \mu) & = \phi_B^-(\omega', \mu) + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left\{ \int_0^{\omega'} d\omega \left[\frac{1}{\omega - \omega'} \left(2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{n \cdot p \omega} - 4 \ln \frac{\omega' - \omega}{\omega'} \right) \right]_+ \phi_B^-(\omega, \mu) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \int_{\omega'}^{\infty} d\omega \left[\ln^2 \frac{\mu^2}{n \cdot p \omega} - \left(2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{n \cdot p \omega} + 3 \right) \ln \frac{\omega - \omega'}{\omega'} + 2 \ln \frac{\omega}{\omega'} + \frac{\pi^2}{6} - 1 \right] \frac{d\phi_B^-(\omega, \mu)}{d\omega} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- Power counting:

$$\omega_s \sim \omega_M \sim O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2/m_b).$$

The B -meson LCDAs

- Light-cone distribution amplitudes of the B meson:

$$\phi_{B,I}^+(\omega, \mu_0) = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0^2} e^{-\omega/\omega_0}, \quad [\text{Grozin and Neubert, 1997}]$$

$$\phi_{B,II}^+(\omega, \mu_0) = \frac{1}{4\pi\omega_0} \frac{k}{k^2+1} \left[\frac{1}{k^2+1} - \frac{2(\sigma_B-1)}{\pi^2} \ln k \right], \quad k = \frac{\omega}{1 \text{ GeV}}, \quad [\text{Braun et al, 2004}]$$

$$\phi_{B,III}^+(\omega, \mu_0) = \frac{2\omega^2}{\omega_0\omega_1^2} e^{-(\omega/\omega_1)^2}, \quad \omega_1 = \frac{2\omega_0}{2\sqrt{\pi}}, \quad [\text{De Fazio, Feldmann, Hurth, 2008}]$$

$$\phi_{B,IV}^+(\omega, \mu_0) = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0\omega_2} \frac{\omega_2 - \omega}{\sqrt{\omega(2\omega_2 - \omega)}}, \quad \omega_2 = \frac{4\omega_0}{4 - \pi}, \quad [\text{De Fazio, Feldmann, Hurth, 2008}]$$

- The shape of $f_{B\pi}^+(q^2)$ less model dependent.

blue curve from pion LCSR,
solid, dotted, dashed and dot-dashed curves from Model-I, II, III and IV.

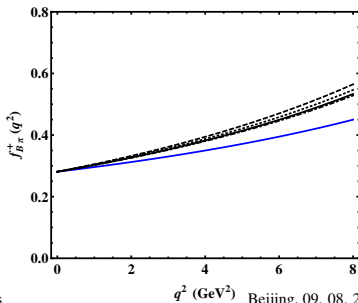
fitting $f_{B\pi}^+(q^2=0) = 0.28 \pm 0.03$
from pion LCSR \Rightarrow

Model-I: $\omega_0 = 360_{-30}^{+40}$ MeV ,

Model-II: $\omega_0 = 375_{-35}^{+40}$ MeV ,

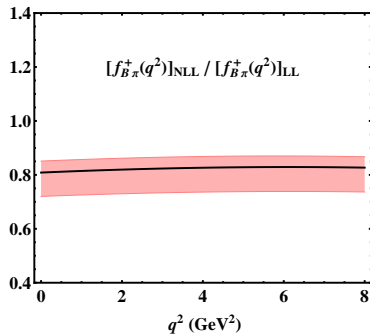
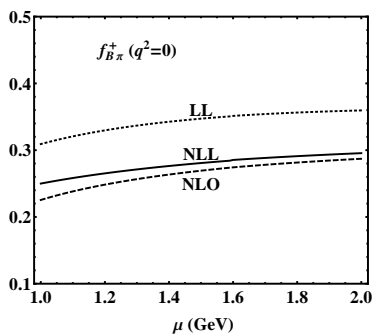
Model-III: $\omega_0 = 395_{-30}^{+35}$ MeV ,

Model-IV: $\omega_0 = 310_{-30}^{+40}$ MeV .



$B \rightarrow \pi$ form factors from the B -meson LCSR

- Factorization scale dependence and radiative correction:



- ▶ Dominant radiative effect from the NLO QCD correction instead of the QCD resummation.
- ▶ Resummation improvement does stabilize the factorization scale dependence.
- ▶ Radiative effect can induce 20 % reduction of the form factor.

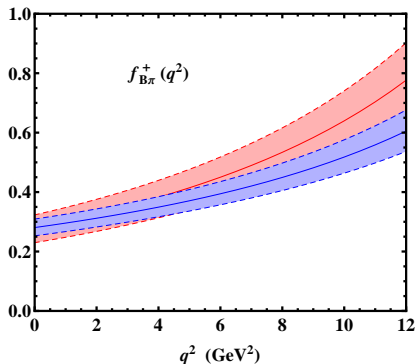
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- The predicted form factor $f_{B\pi}^+(q^2)$:

Pink band: B -meson LCSR @ NLO,
Blue band: pion LCSR @ NLO.

Rapidly increasing $f_{B\pi}^+(q^2)$ from B -meson LCSR:

- (i) Different pattern of the subleading contribution?
- (ii) Different quark-hadron quality ansatz?



- Exclusive $|V_{ub}|$ from B -meson LCSR @ NLO [Y.M.W and Y.L. Shen, 2015]:

$$|V_{ub}| = \left(3.05_{-0.38}^{+0.54} \Big|_{\text{th.}} \pm 0.09 \Big|_{\text{exp.}} \right) \times 10^{-3}.$$

- Exclusive $|V_{ub}|$ from $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$ [Belle, combined two tagging methods, arXiv: 1503.05613]:

$$|V_{ub}| = \left(3.28_{-0.42}^{+0.37} \right) \times 10^{-3}.$$

Concluding Remarks

- Irrespective of LHC13 discoveries, flavour physics is and will remain a powerful probe of BSM physics.
- B decays provide excellent platforms to understand the strong interaction dynamics.
- Still a lot to learn from the golden channel to extract the exclusive $|V_{ub}|$.
- Conceptual breakthrough for computing power corrections in demand.
- Exciting times are just ahead of us!