

Lifetimes of B -mesons in the context of the $B \rightarrow DM$ puzzle

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Introduction

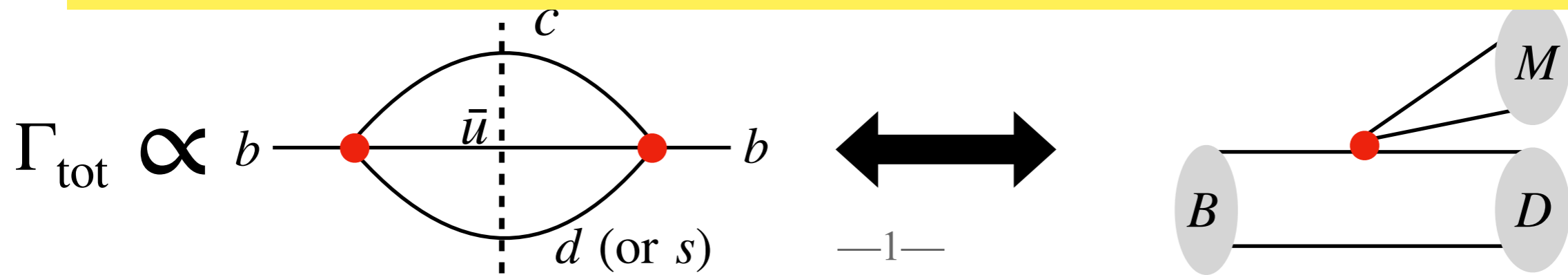
● Exclusive B -meson decays

- Hadronic final states are specified. Examples: $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\ell\nu, B \rightarrow K^*\gamma$
- Theory: difficult
- For $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)}M$, a puzzle has been pointed out recently. Bordone *et al.* [2007.10338]
- One of the possibilities to resolve this issue is **new physics** (NP).

● Inclusive B -meson decays

- Inclusive = sum of exclusive (**quark-hadron duality**).
- Examples: $B \rightarrow$ anything, $B \rightarrow X_c\ell\nu$
- Theory: easier due to operator product expansion (OPE)

This work: Correlation between inclusive and exclusive decays



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- Theoretical analysis based on the QCD factorization
- Final state interactions

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- Heavy quark expansion (HQE)
- Quark-hadron duality

(3) Numerical results

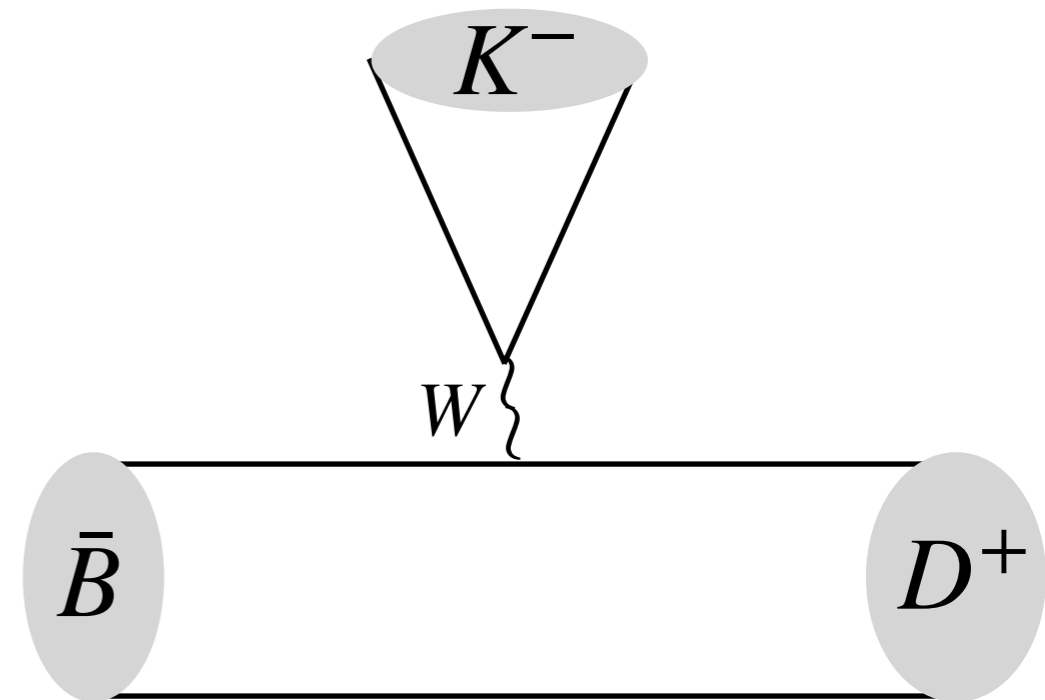
- Lifetimes in the presence of NP
- Constraints on the exclusive parameters

(4) Summary

$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^+ K^-$ decay

Color-allowed tree diagram

- Non-leptonic decays require non-perturbative analysis in QCD.
- There is a difficulty in evaluating $B \rightarrow MM$ in lattice QCD.



QCD factorization approach ($m_b \rightarrow \infty$)

Beneke, *et al.*
[0006124]

Process = (hard scattering) \otimes (soft objects)

Perturbation theory

Universal

➔ Predictability in $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^+ K^-$ decay

Comparison between data and QCDF

Branching ratio	PDG	QCDF	(in 10^{-4} units)
$B_s \rightarrow D_s^- \pi^+$	29.8 ± 1.4	40.9 ± 2.1	4.4σ
$B_s \rightarrow D_s^{*-} \pi^+$	19^{+5}_{-4}	44.6 ± 2.2	4.7σ
$B \rightarrow D^- K^+$	2.05 ± 0.08	3.03 ± 0.15	5.8σ
$B \rightarrow D^{*-} K^+$	2.12 ± 0.15	3.27 ± 0.16	5.2σ

Endo, Iguro and Mishima
[2109.10811]

(1) Higher order corrections of $\mathcal{O}(1/m_b)$?

- The two particle Fock state of twist-three the light meson wave function gives $\alpha_s(\Lambda/m_b)^2$ correction due to the cancellation for $\alpha_s(\Lambda/m_b)$ terms.
- The hard-collinear gluon exchange between b or c and kaon, leading to a twist-four contribution.
- The soft gluon exchange between $B \rightarrow D$ system and light meson, evaluated by light-cone QCD sum rule.

— Estimations of the corrections do *not* exceed $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$. Bordone *et al.* [2007.10338]

— ✓ Final state interaction induced as elastic rescattering (Next slide) does not lead to an entirely consistent explanation. Endo, Iguro and Mishima[2109.10811]

✓(2) Implication of NP?

Final state interactions

$$B \rightarrow D\Pi \rightarrow D'\Pi' \quad \Pi^{(\prime)} = \text{pion octet}$$

quasi-elastic rescattering Chua, Hou and Yang [01131248]

$$\text{Example: } \bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+K^- \text{ vs. } \bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^0\bar{K}^0 \quad \begin{cases} S = -1 \\ I_z = 0 \end{cases}$$

After rescattering

Before rescattering

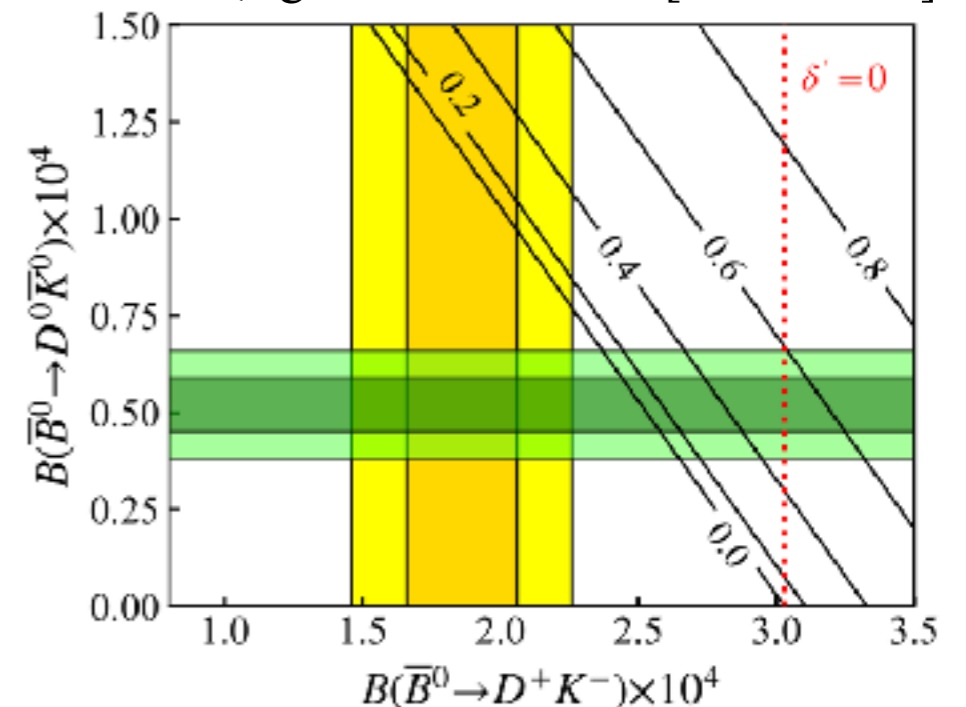
$$\begin{pmatrix} A[\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+K^-] \\ A[\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^0\bar{K}^0] \end{pmatrix} = S_{2 \times 2}^{1/2} \begin{pmatrix} A^{\text{QCDF}}[\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+K^-] \\ A^{\text{QCDF}}[\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^0\bar{K}^0] \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{Predictable}$$

Restrictions $\begin{cases} \text{Unitarity of } S \text{ matrix} \\ \text{SU(3) flavor symmetry} \end{cases}$

$$\rightarrow S_{2 \times 2}^{1/2} = \frac{e^{i\delta_{\overline{15}}}}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + e^{i\delta'} & 1 - e^{i\delta'} \\ 1 - e^{i\delta'} & 1 + e^{i\delta'} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\delta' \equiv \delta_{\mathbf{6}} - \delta_{\overline{\mathbf{15}}}$$

Endo, Iguro and Mishima [2109.10811]



Simultaneous explanation does *not* work.

NP explanation

$$A^{\text{QCDF}}[\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}h^-] = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} a_1(h) |V_{cb}V_{uq}|^2 (m_B^2 - m_{D^*}^2) f_h A_0(m_h^2)$$

$$a_1 = c_1 + \frac{c_2}{3} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$

A_0 : form factor for $B \rightarrow D^*$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{uq}^* (c_1 Q_1 + c_2 Q_2)$$

$$\begin{cases} Q_1 = (\bar{c}_\alpha b_\alpha)_{V-A} (\bar{q}_\beta u_\beta)_{V-A} \\ Q_2 = (\bar{c}_\alpha b_\beta)_{V-A} (\bar{q}_\beta u_\alpha)_{V-A} \end{cases}$$

$$|a_1(\pi)| = \begin{cases} 0.884 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.003 \pm 0.016 & \text{(Belle [1])} \\ 1.071^{+0.013}_{-0.014} & \text{(QCDF@NNLO [2])} \end{cases}$$

$$|a_1(K)| = \begin{cases} 0.913 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.013 & \text{(Belle [1])} \\ 1.069^{+0.010}_{-0.013} & \text{(QCDF@NNLO [2])} \end{cases}$$

[1] Phys. Rev. D **107**, 012003 (2023). [2] JHEP **09** (2016) 112.

● The data imply that a_1 is smaller than the QCDF prediction by $\approx 15\%$.

Other non-leptonic processes are also affected by the changes in c_1, c_2 .

➔ Lifetime ratio

Lifetimes of B -mesons

Lifetime: $\tau(B) \propto 1/\Gamma(B)$

● This is one of the primary observables for testing weak and strong interactions.

● Experimental data (HFLAV) are precise, of $\mathcal{O}(0.1)$ % uncertainty.

$$\tau_{B^+} = 1.638 \pm 0.004 \text{ ps} \quad \tau_{B_d} = 1.519 \pm 0.004 \text{ ps} \quad \tau_{B_s} = 1.516 \pm 0.006 \text{ ps}$$

● Theoretical method: heavy quark expansion (HQE)

$$\Gamma \propto m_b^5 \left(1 + \frac{c_2}{m_b^2} + \frac{c_3}{m_b^3} + \frac{c_4}{m_b^4} + \dots \right)$$

$1/m_b$: expansion parameter

● Precision in theory is limited, especially by QCD uncertainties.

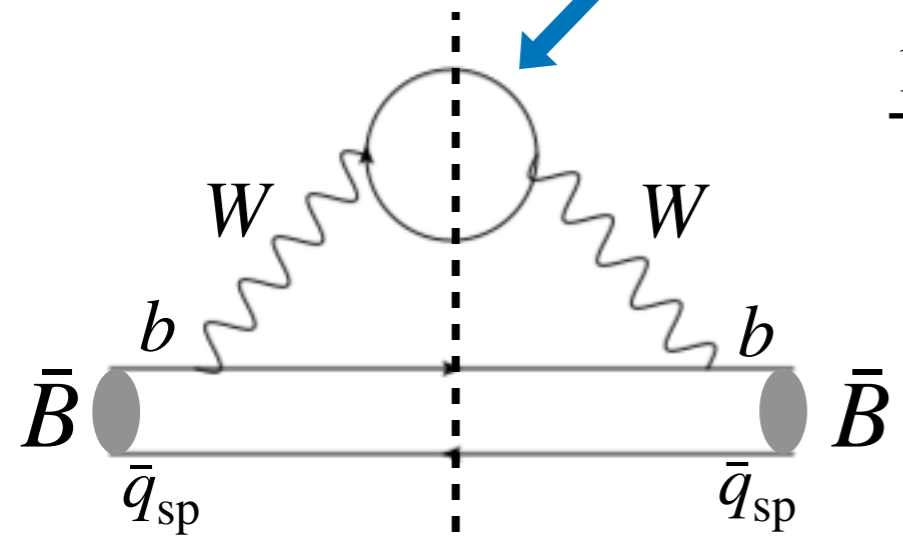
Errors are at most, $\begin{cases} 19\% \text{ for total width.} \\ 2\% \text{ for lifetime ratio.} \end{cases}$ Lenz, Piscopo and Rusov [2208.02643]

1/m_Q expansion

Total width

(Q = b, c)

$$\Gamma = \frac{G_F^2 m_Q^5}{192\pi^3} |V_{CKM}|^2 \left[\text{LO } c_3 - \underbrace{c_3 \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{2m_Q^2} + c_G \frac{\mu_G^2}{2m_Q^2}}_{1/m_Q^2 \text{ corrections}} + \underbrace{\frac{c_6}{m_Q^3} \frac{\langle H_Q | (\bar{Q}q)(\bar{q}Q) | H_Q \rangle}{M_{H_Q}}}_{\mathcal{O}(1/m_Q^3) \text{ correction}} + \dots \right]$$



The spectator does not join interaction.

LO

1/m_Q² corrections

ℳ(1/m_Q³) correction

vanish for m_Q → ∞

Lifetimes are common for **B⁺($\bar{b}u$), B_d($\bar{b}d$), B_s($\bar{b}s$)** and **D⁰($c\bar{u}$), D⁺($c\bar{d}$), D_s⁺($c\bar{s}$)** if ℳ(1/m_Q²) corrections are negligible.

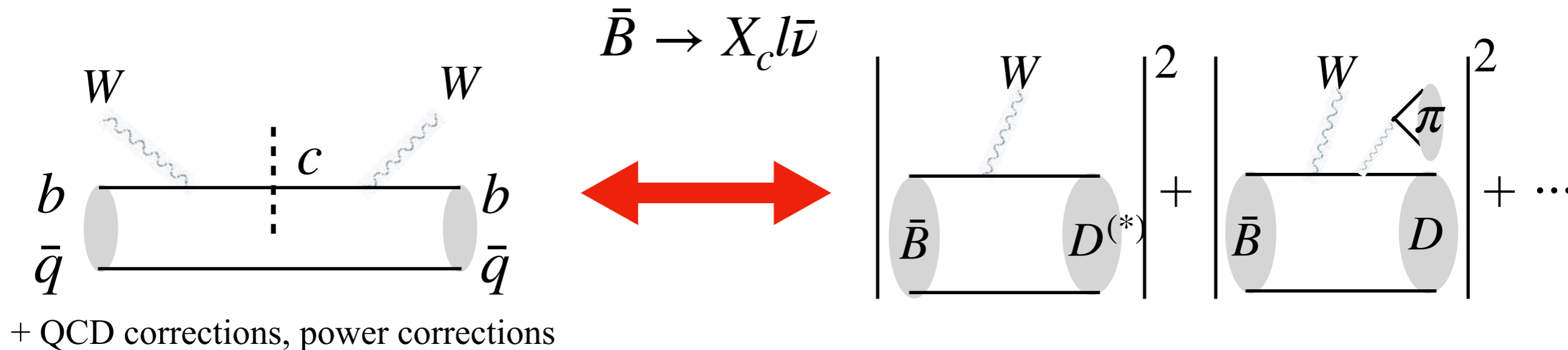
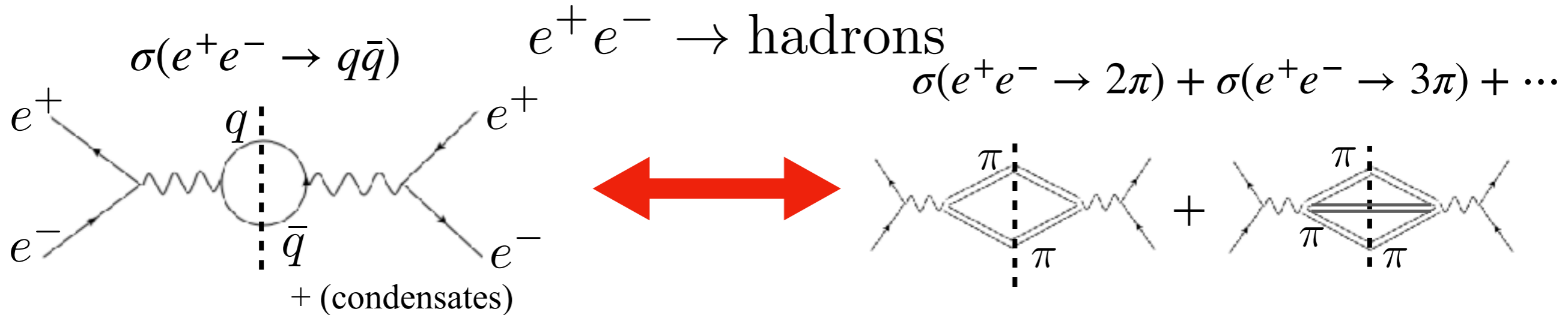
lifetime ratio: $\frac{\tau(H_1)}{\tau(H_2)} = \text{LO } 1 + \frac{G_F^2 m_b^3}{384\pi^3} V_{cb}^2 \tau_1 [c_3 (\mu_\pi^2(H_1) - \mu_\pi^2(H_2)) + c_G (\mu_G^2(H_2) - \mu_G^2(H_1))] + \frac{G_F^2 m_b^2}{192\pi^3} V_{cb}^2 \tau_1 \left[\frac{c_6(H_2) \langle H_2 | Q | H_2 \rangle - c_6(H_1) \langle H_1 | Q | H_1 \rangle}{M_B} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda}{m_b}\right) \right]$

If the lifetime ratio ≈ 1, the 1/m_Q expansion is convergent.

Quark-hadron duality

Quark

Hadron



Is duality violation possible?

- Ultimate accuracy of the OPE is limited due to divergences in perturbative series.
 - (1) Proliferation of Feynman diagrams
 - (2) Renormalons
 - ✓ (3) Power series

Approaches to duality violation

(1) Resonance-based model

[9510366, 9705390, 9708396, 9805404, 9805241, 9902315, 9903258, 0006346, 0106205, 0112323, 0605248, 2106.06215, 2111.01401]

- The large- N_c limit and linear Regge trajectory are considered as a starting point of discussion.

Pros: Theoretical predictions are rigorous.

Cons: This is mostly a toy model of QCD.

(2) Instanton-based model [9605465, 2208.11896]

- This method takes account of a (fixed-sized) background instanton, more or less as an orientational direction to capture contributions related to the factorial divergence in power corrections.

Pros: Some realistic contributions could be examined (not a toy model).

Cons: Detail of the QCD vacuum is involved in a non-trivial way.

(3) Lattice QCD [1703.01881, 2005.13730, 2203.11762]

- Reconstruction of the spectral function is considered for inclusive B -decays.


Pros: It is based on *ab initio* evaluation of the hadronic correlator.

Cons: Specific duality-violating components are suppressed in the Euclid space.

Comparison between theory and experiment

	Lifetime ratio	HQE	HFLAV	Theory detail
beauty mesons	$\tau(B^+)/\tau(B_d)$	$1.0851^{+0.0230}_{-0.0217}$ [1]	1.076 ± 0.004	Darwin term consistent with HQET/VIA
	$\tau(B_s)/\tau(B_d)$	$1.0032^{+0.0063}_{-0.0063}$ [1]	0.998 ± 0.005	Darwin term consistent with HQET/VIA
charmed mesons	$\tau(D^+)/\tau(D^0)$	$2.89^{+0.66+0.42}_{-0.78-0.35}$ [2]	2.54 ± 0.02	MSR scheme
	$\bar{\tau}(D_s^+)/\tau(D^0)$	$1.00^{+0.23+0.01}_{-0.21-0.01}$ [2]	1.30 ± 0.01	MSR scheme
beauty baryons	$\tau(\Lambda_b^0)/\tau(B_d)$	0.955 ± 0.014 [3]	0.969 ± 0.006	Darwin term consistent with HQET/VIA
	$\tau(\Xi_b^0)/\tau(B_d)$	0.956 ± 0.023 [3]	0.974 ± 0.020	Darwin term consistent with HQET/VIA
	$\tau(\Xi_b^-)/\tau(B_d)$	1.029 ± 0.015 [3]	1.035 ± 0.027	Darwin term consistent with HQET/VIA
	$\tau(\Omega_b^-)/\tau(B_d)$	1.081 ± 0.042 [3]	$1.080^{+0.118}_{-0.112}$	Darwin term consistent with HQET/VIA
charmed baryons	$\tau(\Xi_c^+)/\tau(\Lambda_c^+)$	$1.20^{+0.22+0.12}_{-0.13-0.07}$ [2]	2.25 ± 0.04	MSR scheme
	$\tau(\Xi_c^0)/\tau(\Lambda_c^+)$	$0.81^{+0.29+0.03}_{-0.17-0.03}$ [2]	0.75 ± 0.02	MSR scheme
	$\tau(\Omega_c^0)/\tau(\Lambda_c^+)$	$0.83^{+0.30+0.05}_{-0.18-0.04}$ [2]	1.36 ± 0.02	MSR scheme

[1] Lenz, Piscopo and Rusov [2208.02643], [2] Gratex, Melic and Nisandzic [2204.11935], [3] Gratex, Lenz, Melic, Nisandzic, Piscopo and Rusov [2301.07698].

● b -hadrons: The lifetime ratios are close to unity. Data are consistently reproduced by the HQE.
 $1/m_b$ expansion successfully works. No implications of duality violation are seen.

● c -hadrons: Some lifetime ratios show large deviations from unity.

Tensions are found for $\tau(\Xi_c^+)/\tau(\Lambda_c^+)$ as well as for $\tau(\Omega_c^0)/\tau(\Lambda_c^+)$.

Input parameters from non-perturbative QCD adopted in this work

2-quark operators

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q_\pi = -\bar{b}_\nu(iD_\mu)(iD^\mu)b_\nu, \quad \langle B|Q_\pi|B\rangle = 2m_B\mu_\pi^2 \\ Q_G = \bar{b}_\nu(iD_\mu)(iD_\nu)(-i\sigma^{\mu\nu})b_\nu, \quad \langle B|Q_G|B\rangle = 2m_B\mu_G^2 \end{array} \right.$$

Bordone, Capdevila and Gambino [2107.00604]

Fit to the moments of semi-leptonic differential width @ three-loop QCD

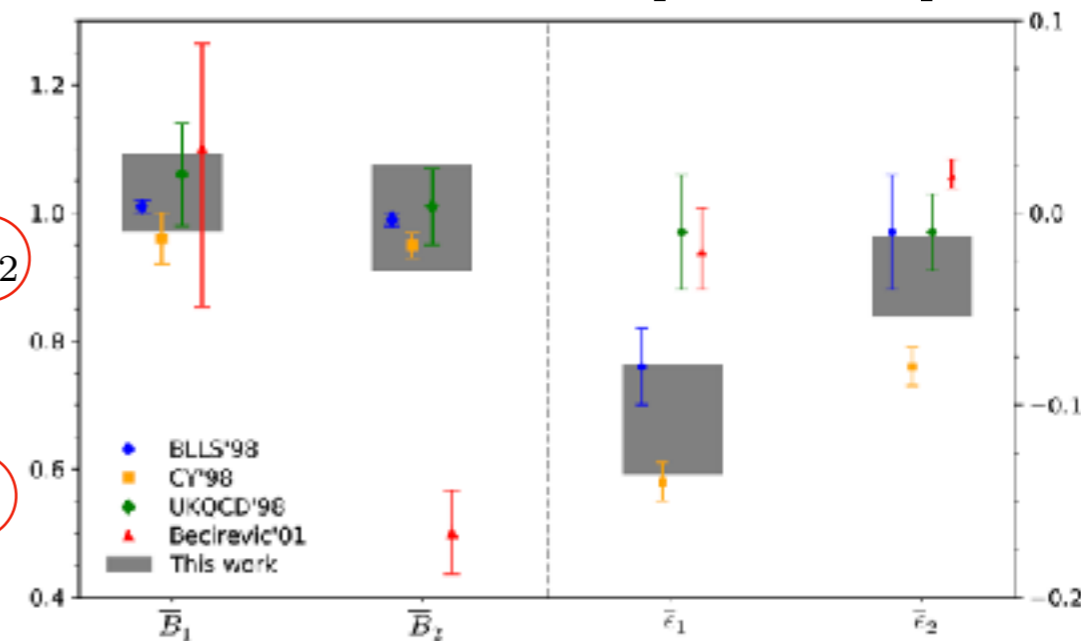
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu_\pi^2 = (0.477 \pm 0.056) \text{ GeV}^2 \\ \mu_G^2 = (0.306 \pm 0.050) \text{ GeV}^2 \\ m_b^{\text{kin}} = (4.573 \pm 0.012) \text{ GeV} \end{array} \right.$$

4-quark operators

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q_1 = \bar{b}\gamma_\mu(1-\gamma^5)q\bar{q}\gamma^\mu(1-\gamma^5)b, \quad \langle B|Q_1|B\rangle = f_B^2 M_B^2 B_1 \\ Q_2 = \bar{b}(1-\gamma^5)q\bar{q}(1-\gamma^5)b, \quad \langle B|Q_2|B\rangle = f_B^2 M_B^2 \frac{M_B^2}{(m_b+m_q)^2} B_2 \\ T_1 = \bar{b}(1-\gamma^5)T^a q\bar{q}(1-\gamma^5)T^a b, \quad \langle B|T_1|B\rangle = f_B^2 M_B^2 \epsilon_1 \\ T_2 = \bar{b}(1-\gamma^5)T^a q\bar{q}(1-\gamma^5)T^a b, \quad \langle B|T_2|B\rangle = f_B^2 M_B^2 \frac{M_B^2}{(m_b+m_q)^2} \epsilon_2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$q\bar{q} \equiv u\bar{u} - d\bar{d}$$

Kirk, Lenz and Rauh [1711.02100]



● The results of the HQET sum rules are adopted in this work.

● HQET sum rules predict $\bar{\epsilon}_1(m_b) \approx -0.1$ whereas lattice QCD

leads to $\bar{\epsilon}_1(m_b) \approx -0.01$, for the central values.

Numerical results

Numerical results: lifetimes at leading order in QCD

$$\frac{\tau(B_u)}{\tau(B_d)} = 1 + \frac{\Gamma_d^{(4)} - \Gamma_u^{(4)}}{\Gamma(B_u)}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{uq}^* (c_1 Q_1 + c_2 Q_2)$$

$b \rightarrow c\bar{u}q$ decays
($q = d, s$)

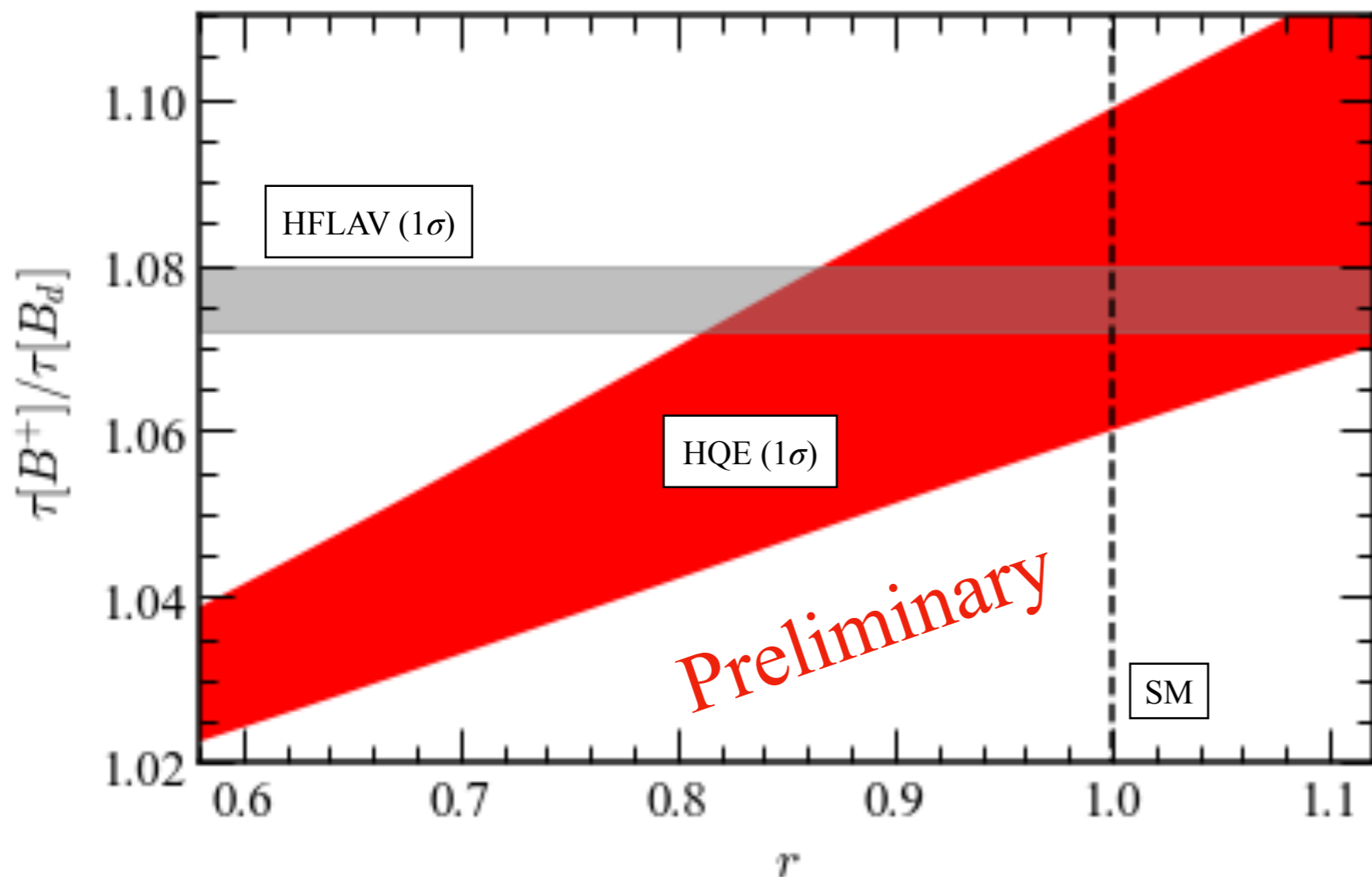
$$\begin{cases} Q_1 = (\bar{c}_\alpha b_\alpha)_{V-A} (\bar{q}_\beta u_\beta)_{V-A} \\ Q_2 = (\bar{c}_\alpha b_\beta)_{V-A} (\bar{q}_\beta u_\alpha)_{V-A} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 = +\frac{9}{8} a_1^{\text{SM}} (r) - \frac{3}{8} a_2^{\text{SM}} \\ c_2 = -\frac{3}{8} a_1^{\text{SM}} (r) + \frac{9}{8} a_2^{\text{SM}} \end{cases}$$

$(r) = 1 : \text{SM}$

$(r) \neq 1 : \text{NP}$

a_2^{SM} is fixed.



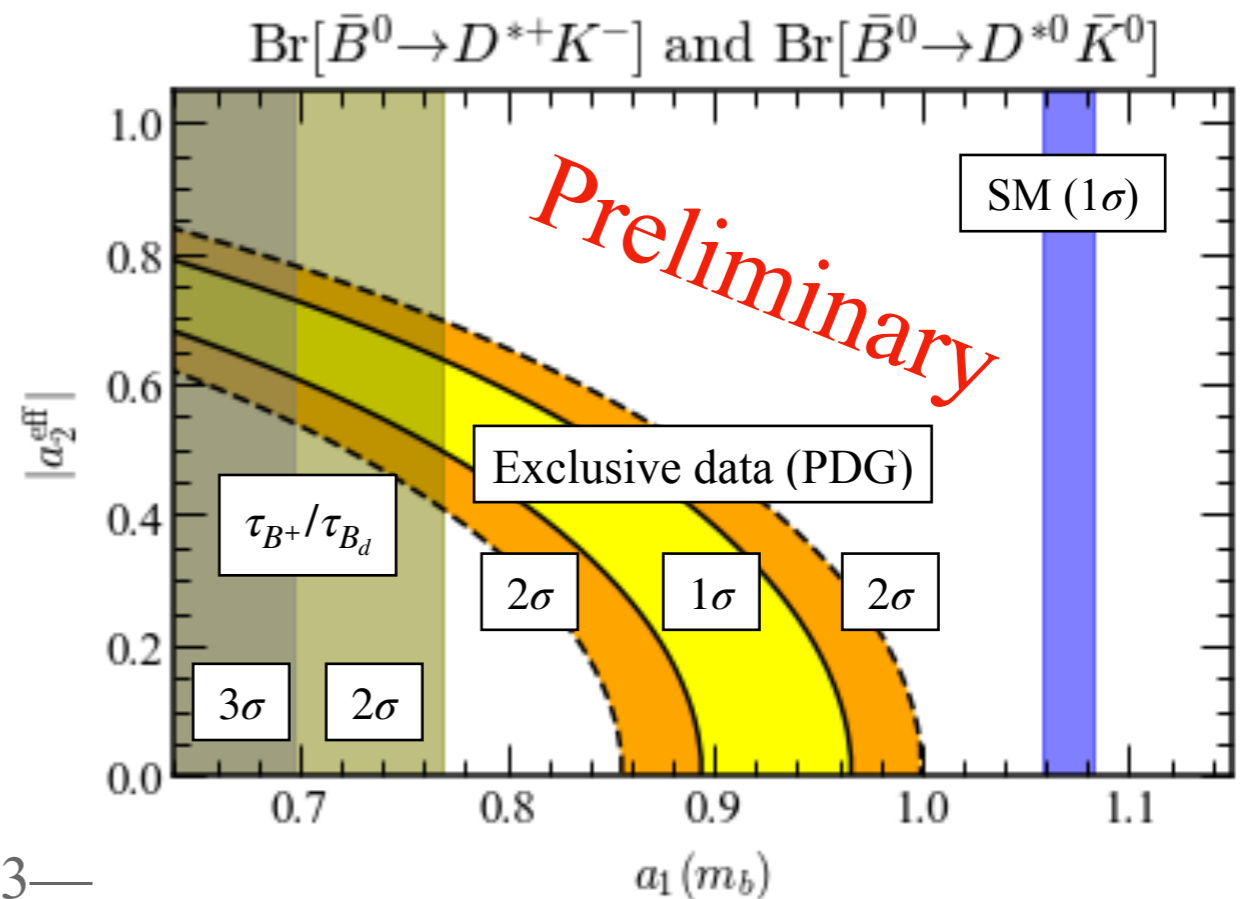
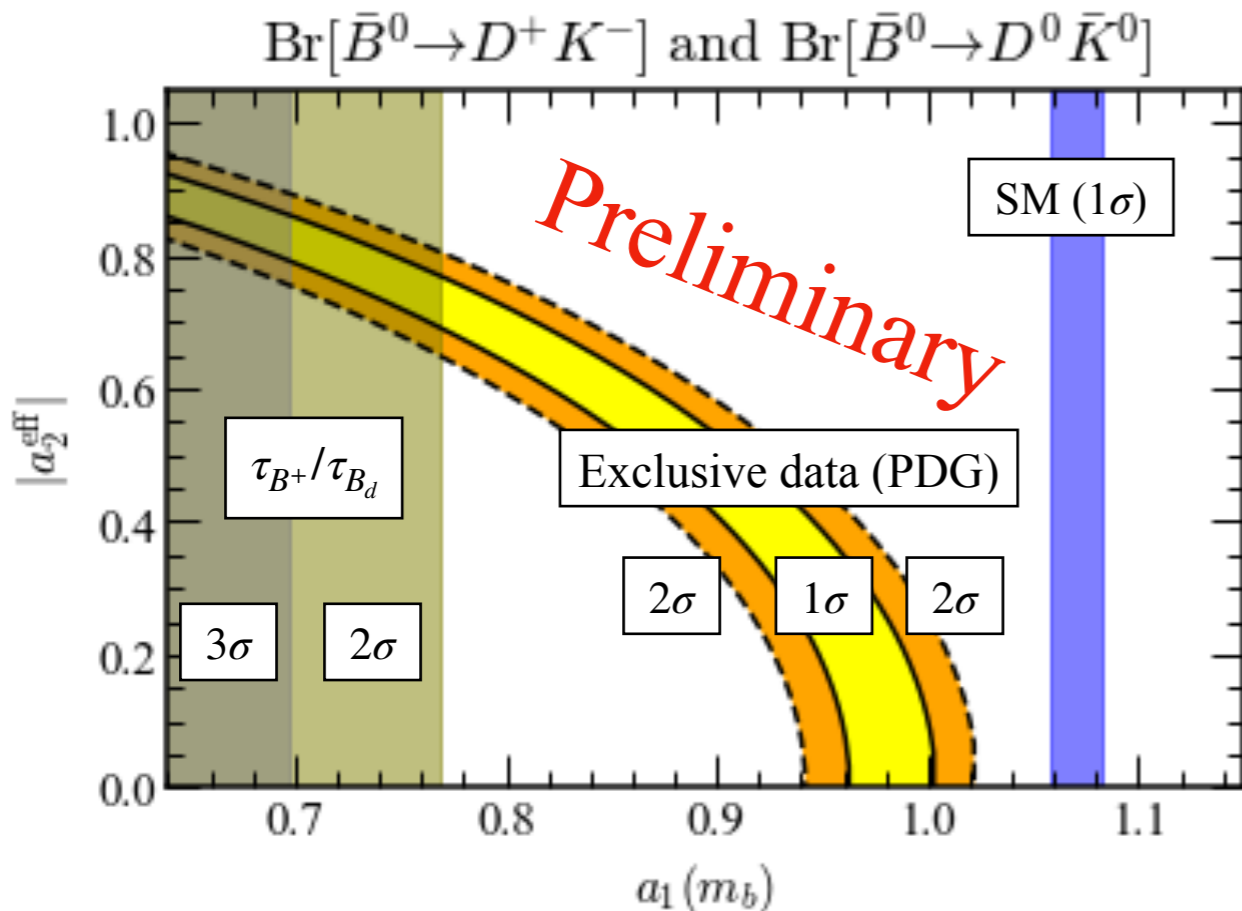
Numerical results: constraints on exclusive parameters

See also Endo, Iguro and Mishima [2109.10811]

$$\begin{pmatrix} A[B \rightarrow D^+ K^-] \\ A[B \rightarrow D^0 \bar{K}^0] \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{S}^{1/2} \begin{pmatrix} A^{\text{QCDF}}[B \rightarrow D^+ K^-] \\ A^{\text{QCDF}}[B \rightarrow D^0 \bar{K}^0] \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{Predictable}$$

Rescattering:
$$\mathcal{S}^{1/2} = \frac{e^{i\delta_{15}}}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + e^{i\delta'} & 1 - e^{i\delta'} \\ 1 - e^{i\delta'} & 1 + e^{i\delta'} \end{pmatrix} \quad \delta' \equiv \delta_6 - \delta_{15}$$

$$\begin{cases} A^{\text{QCDF}}[B \rightarrow D^- K^+] = (G_F/\sqrt{2}) a_1(m_b) |V_{cb} V_{us}|^2 (m_B^2 - m_D^2) f_K f_0^{B \rightarrow D}(m_K^2) \\ A^{\text{QCDF}}[B \rightarrow D^0 \bar{K}^0] = (G_F/\sqrt{2}) a_2^{\text{eff}} |V_{cb} V_{us}|^2 (m_B^2 - m_K^2) f_D f_0^{B \rightarrow K}(m_D^2) \end{cases}$$

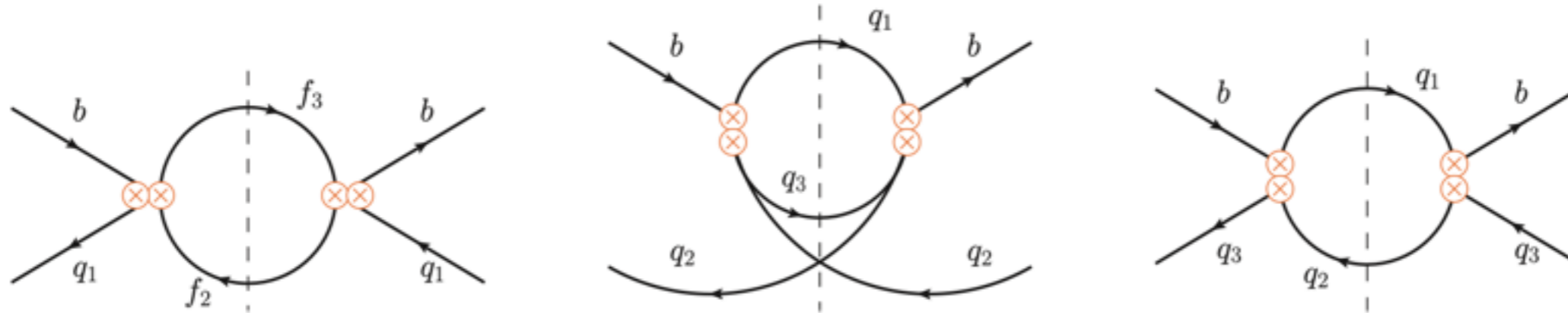


Summary

- In light of the $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)}M$ puzzle, we investigated the lifetimes of B -mesons based on the HQE.
- In the presence of the quasi-elastic rescattering, we find that some of exclusive parameter regions are constrained by the lifetime-ratio, $\tau(B^+)/\tau(B_d)$.
- The numerical results will be consistently updated with the $1/m_b^3$ power correction (Darwin term), as well as next-to-leading order QCD corrections to (a) partonic rates, (b) short-distance coefficients of 4-quark operators, and (c) Wilson coefficients of $\Delta B = 1$ operators.

Backup

Pauli interference (PI) and weak annihilation (WA)



$$\Gamma_u^{\text{int}} = \frac{G_F^2 m_b^2}{12\pi} |V_{cb} V_{ud}^*|^2 f_{B^+}^2 m_{B^+} (1-x)^2 \left\{ [6c_1^{ud} c_2^{ud} + (c_1^{ud})^2 + (c_2^{ud})^2] \left[B_1 - \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \times \left(\frac{m_{B^+}^2}{m_b^2} - 1 \right) \right] + 6[(c_1^{ud})^2 + (c_2^{ud})^2] \epsilon_1 \right\},$$

$$\Gamma_d^{\text{ann}} = -\frac{G_F^2 m_b^2}{12\pi} |V_{cb} V_{ud}^*|^2 f_{B^0}^2 m_{B^0} (1-x)^2 \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{3} (c_1^{ud})^2 + 2c_1^{ud} c_2^{ud} + 3(c_2^{ud})^2 \right] \left[\left(1 + \frac{x}{2} \right) B_1 - (1+2x) B_2 + \left[\frac{1+x+x^2}{1-x} + \frac{6x^2}{1-x} - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{x}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} (1+2x) \right] \left(\frac{m_{B^0}^2}{m_b^2} - 1 \right) + 2(c_1^{ud})^2 \left[\left(1 + \frac{x}{2} \right) \epsilon_1 - (1+2x) \epsilon_2 \right] \right\},$$

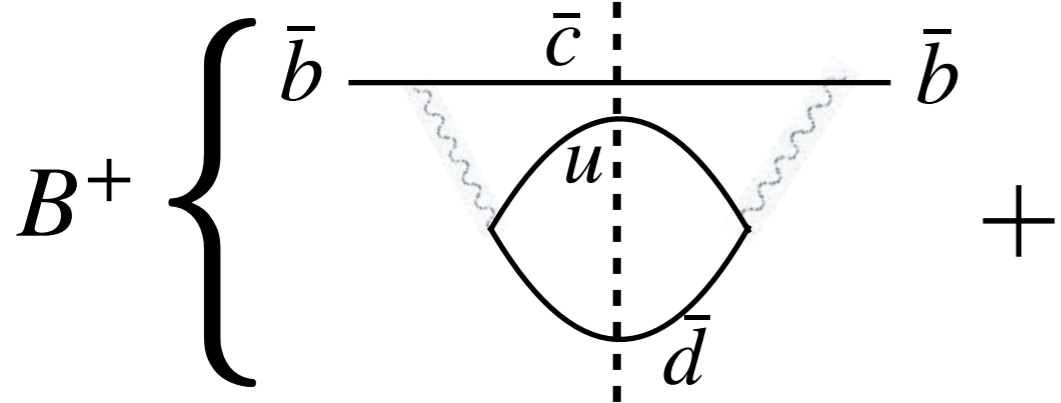
Pattern of lifetimes for B^+ and B_d

HFLAV data: $\frac{\tau[B^+]}{\tau[B_d]} = 1.076 \pm 0.004$

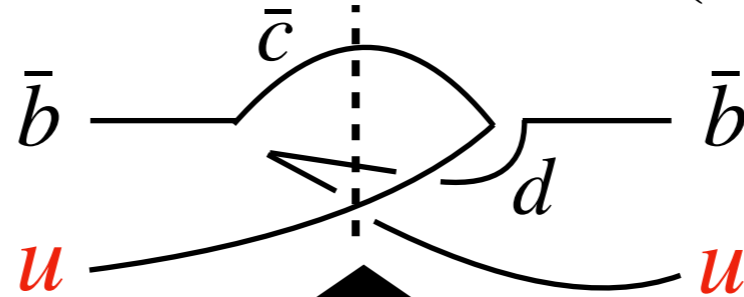
2-quark

4-quark

✓ Pauli interference (PI)



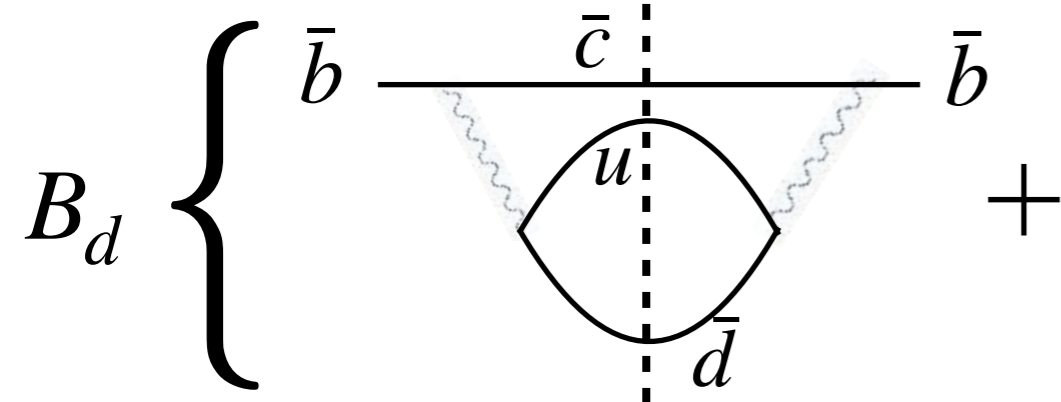
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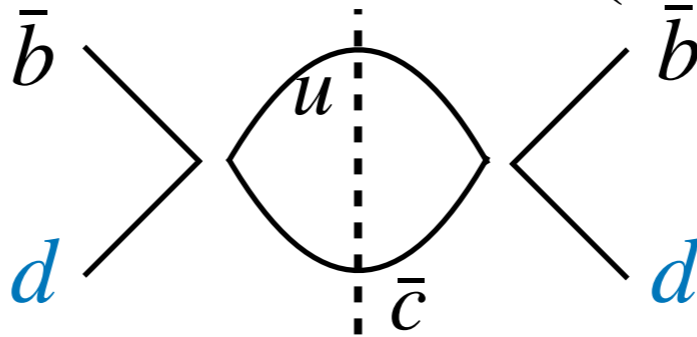
$$\Gamma[B^+] = \Gamma^{(2)} + \Gamma^{(4)}[\text{PI}]$$

$$\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^3) + \mathcal{O}(N_c^0, g_s) + \text{other flavors}$$

Weak annihilation (WA)



+



$$\Gamma[B_d] = \Gamma^{(2)} + \Gamma^{(4)}[\text{WA}]$$

+ $\mathcal{O}(N_c^0, g_s)$ + other flavors
(Helicity-suppressed, analogous to $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau$)

$$\Gamma[B^+] - \Gamma[B_d] \approx \Gamma^{(4)}[\text{PI}]$$

Lenz, Müller, Piscopo and Rusov [2211.02724]

