

# Standard Model prediction of the $B_c$ lifetime

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based on: [2105.02988](#), [2108.10285](#) in collaboration with Benjamín Grinstein

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# LFU violation in charged currents

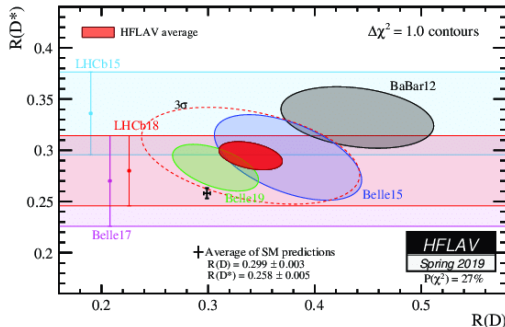
## Measurement

$R_D$  and  $R_{D^*}$

BaBar: 1205.5442, 1303.0571, LHCb: 1506.08614, 1708.08856  
 Belle: 1507.03233, 1607.07923, 1612.00529

$$R_{D^{(*)}} = \frac{BR(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu)}{BR(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu)}$$

$$\ell \in \{e, \mu\}$$



HFLAV: 1909.12524

## NP from $\tau_{B_c}$

$$B_c \rightarrow \tau \nu_\tau$$

Not exceed  $\tau_{B_c}$

$$Br(B_c \rightarrow \tau \nu_\tau)$$

Pseudoscalar scenarios constrained

Alonso/Grinstein/Camalich: 1611.06676

### Polarization observables

$F_L(D^*)$ ,  $\tau$ -polarization

Blanke/Crivellin/de Boer/Kitahara/Moscati: 1811.09603

Blanke/Crivellin//Kitahara/Moscati/Nierste: 1811.09603

# Status

## Experimental value

$$\tau_{B_c} = 0.510(9)\text{ps}$$

LHCb: 1401.6932, 1411.6899  
CMS:1710.08949

## Theoretical predictions

Operator Product Expansion (OPE)

Beneke/Buchalla(BB): hep-ph/9601249  
Bigi: hep-ph/9510325  
Chang/Chen/Feng/Li: hep-ph/0007162

QCD sum rules

Kiselev/Kovalsky/Likhoded: hep-ph/0002127

Potential Models

Gershtein/Kiselev/Likhoded/Tkabladze: hep-ph/9504319

## OPE result from BB

$$\tau_{B_c} = 0.52 \text{ ps}, \quad 0.4 \text{ ps} < \tau_{B_c} < 0.7 \text{ ps}$$

Beneke/Buchalla(BB): hep-ph/9601249

# Overview of BB

Beneke/Buchalla(BB): hep-ph/9601249

## OS scheme

$$m_b^{OS}, m_c^{OS}$$

## Error estimate

Vary  $1.4 \text{ GeV} < m_c < 1.6 \text{ GeV}$

fix  $m_b$  by  $B_d$  lifetime

## Penguin contributions

Neglected

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# EFT approach

## Effective Hamiltonian

At  $\mu_W$ , RGE running

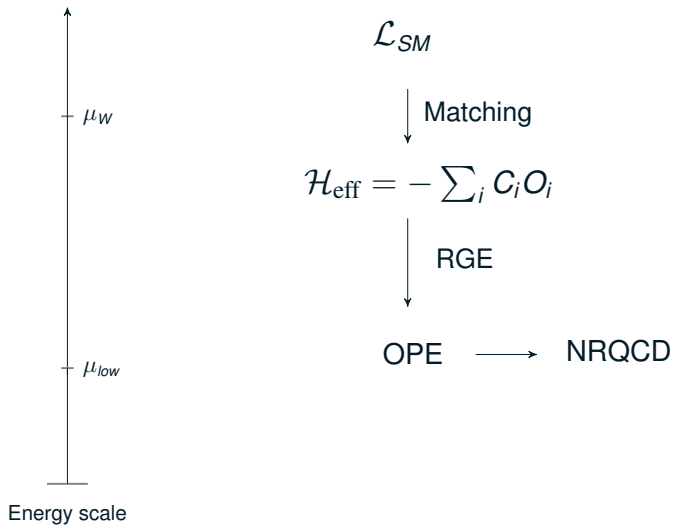
## OPE

At  $\mu_{low}$

## Non-Relativistic QCD (NRQCD)

Integrate out (anti-)quark fields

# EFT approach



# Optical Theorem

## Forward scattering

$$\Gamma_{B_c} = \frac{1}{2M_{B_c}} \langle B_c | \mathcal{T} | B_c \rangle$$

## Transition Operator

$$\mathcal{T} = \text{Im} i \int d^4x T \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}(x) \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}(0)$$

## OPE

$\mathcal{T}$  = series of local operators

# OPE

## Transition operator

$$\mathcal{T}_Q = C_Q^{(3)} \bar{Q}Q + C_Q^{(5)} \frac{1}{m_Q^2} g_s \bar{Q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} Q G^{\mu\nu} + \sum_i C_{Q,i}^{(6)} \frac{1}{m_Q^3} O_i^{(6)} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{m_Q^4}\right)$$

## Wilson coefficients

Spectator decays, WA, PI

## Contributions

$$\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_b + \mathcal{T}_c + \mathcal{T}_{\text{WA}} + \mathcal{T}_{\text{PI}}$$

# Contributions

## **$\bar{b}$ -decays**

$$\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{c}u(\bar{s} + \bar{d}), \bar{c}c(\bar{s} + \bar{d}), \bar{c}l\nu$$

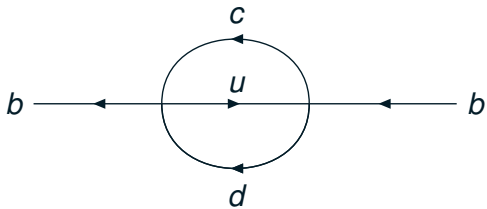
## **$c$ -decays**

$$c \rightarrow (s + d)u(\bar{s} + \bar{d}), (s + d)l\nu$$

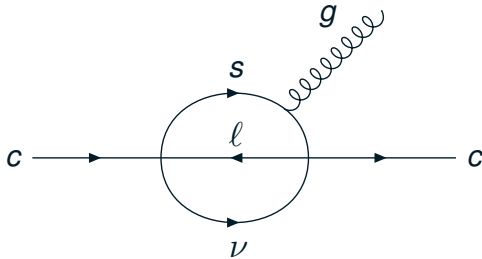
## **Weak Annihilation (WA), Pauli Interference (PI)**

1-loop graphs

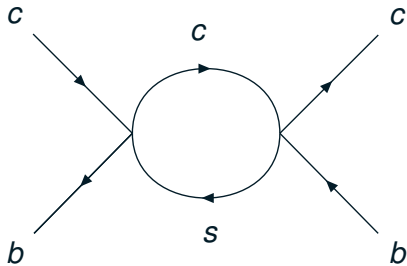
# $\bar{b}$ -decay



# c-decay

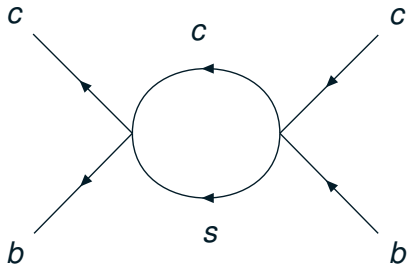


**WA**





PI



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# Improvements over BB

## Mass schemes

$\overline{MS}$ , meson, Upsilon

## Spin symmetry

Relates matrix elements

## Typos in literature

Corrected by KLR

Bagan/Ball/Fiol/Gosdzinsky: hep-ph/9502338

Krinner/Lenz/Rauh: 1305.5390

## Penguin contributions

Included

## Better input values

$\alpha_s$ ,  $f_{B_c}$ , CKM parameters

# Mass schemes

## $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme

$m_b^{\text{OS}}$  and  $m_c^{\text{OS}}$  in terms of  $\overline{m}_b(\mu_b)$  and  $\overline{m}_c(\mu_c)$

## Meson scheme

$m_b^{\text{OS}}$  in terms of  $m_\Upsilon$

$m_c^{\text{OS}}$  in terms of  $m_b^{\text{OS}}$  and  $\overline{m}_B - \overline{m}_D$

## Upsilon scheme

Like meson scheme

For  $c$  decays:  $m_c^{\text{OS}}$  in terms of Upsilon expansion of  $m_{J/\psi}$

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# Uncertainties

## Non-Perturbative (n.p.)

velocity expansion

## scale uncertainty

$\mu$  dependence

## Parametric

$V_{cb}$  etc

## Strange quark mass

$m_s \neq 0$

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# Results

## Massless strange quark

$$\Gamma_{B_c}^{\overline{\text{MS}}} = (1.58 \pm 0.40 | \mu \pm 0.08 |^{\text{n.p.}} \pm 0.02 | \bar{m} \pm 0.01 |^{V_{cb}}) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$$\Gamma_{B_c}^{\text{meson}} = (1.77 \pm 0.25 | \mu \pm 0.20 |^{\text{n.p.}} \pm 0.01 |^{V_{cb}}) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$$\Gamma_{B_c}^{\text{Upsilon}} = (2.51 \pm 0.19 | \mu \pm 0.21 |^{\text{n.p.}} \pm 0.01 |^{V_{cb}}) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

## Massive strange quark

$$\Gamma_{B_c}^{\overline{\text{MS}}} = (1.51 \pm 0.38 | \mu \pm 0.08 |^{\text{n.p.}} \pm 0.02 | \bar{m} \pm 0.01 |^{m_s \pm 0.01} |^{V_{cb}}) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$$\Gamma_{B_c}^{\text{meson}} = (1.70 \pm 0.24 | \mu \pm 0.20 |^{\text{n.p.}} \pm 0.01 |^{m_s \pm 0.01} |^{V_{cb}}) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$$\Gamma_{B_c}^{\text{Upsilon}} = (2.40 \pm 0.19 | \mu \pm 0.21 |^{\text{n.p.}} \pm 0.01 |^{m_s \pm 0.01} |^{V_{cb}}) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$$(\Gamma_{B_c}^{\text{exp}} = 1.961 \pm 35 \text{ ps}^{-1})$$



# Possible Improvements

## Higher order in $\alpha_s$

To reduce  $\mu$ -dependence

## Higher order in $v$

To reduce n.p. uncertainty

## Matrix elements

Lattice calculation

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# Novel way to determine $\Gamma_{B_c}$

JA/Grinstein: 2108.10285

## General width for meson $H_Q$

$$\Gamma(H_Q) = \Gamma_Q^{(0)} + \Gamma^{n.p.}(H_Q) + \Gamma^{\text{WA+PI}}(H_Q) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{m_Q^4}\right)$$

## Taking difference between $B$ , $D$ , $B_c$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(B) + \Gamma(D) - \Gamma(B_c) &= \Gamma^{n.p.}(B) + \Gamma^{n.p.}(D) - \Gamma^{n.p.}(B_c) \\ &\quad + \Gamma^{\text{WA+PI}}(B) + \Gamma^{\text{WA+PI}}(D) - \Gamma^{\text{WA+PI}}(B_c) \end{aligned}$$

## Advantage

quark decay uncertainties drop out

# Results

$(B^0, D^0)$  and  $(B^+, D^0)$

$$\Gamma_{B_c} = 3.03 \pm 0.51 \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$(B^0, D^+)$  and  $(B^+, D^+)$

$$\Gamma_{B_c} = 3.33 \pm 1.29 \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

**Discrepancy with experiment**

$$\Gamma_{B_c}^{exp} = 1.961 \pm 35 \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

# Possible explanations

## **Underestimated uncertainties**

NNLO,  $1/m^4$ , parametric etc.

## **Eye graph**

Not included in lattice calculation

## **Quark hadron duality**

violated

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## OPE

Agreement with experiment: large scheme dependence

## Improvements

NNLO,  $1/m^4$ , lattice results

## Novel way

Discrepancy: underestimation, eye-graph, duality violation?

# Upsilon scheme

Hoang/Ligeti/Monahar: hep-ph/9809423

## $\bar{b}$ decays, WA, PI

$$\frac{1}{2}m_\Upsilon = m_b^{OS} \left[ 1 - \frac{(\alpha_s C_F)^2}{8} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \left[ \left( \ln \left( \frac{\mu}{\alpha_s C_F m_b^{OS}} \right) + \frac{11}{6} \right) \beta_0 - 4 \right] + \dots \right\} \right]$$

$$m_b^{OS} - m_c^{OS} = \bar{m}_B - \bar{m}_D + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_1 \left( \frac{1}{m_b^{OS}} - \frac{1}{m_c^{OS}} \right) \quad \bar{m}_B, \bar{m}_D = (\text{iso})\text{spin-averaged masses}$$

## $c$ decays

$$\frac{1}{2}m_{J/\psi} = m_c^{OS} \left[ 1 - \frac{(\alpha_s C_F)^2}{8} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \left[ \left( \ln \left( \frac{\mu}{\alpha_s C_F m_c^{OS}} \right) + \frac{11}{6} \right) \beta_0 - 4 \right] + \dots \right\} \right]$$

## strange mass

$$m_s = 0 \text{ or } \overline{MS}$$