# Inclusive $B \to X_u \ell \nu$ : Towards NNLO Extractions of $V_{ub}$

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In collaboration with: A. Broggio, P. Gambino and A. Ferroglia; arXiv:241x.xxxx  $B \to X_u \ell \nu$  Decay Distribution: Optical Theorem

 Decay distribution  $(B \to X_u \ell \nu)$ 

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

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

 $\Rightarrow L^{\mu\nu}$  leptonic tensor and  $W^{\mu\nu}$  hadronic tensor

$$L^{\mu\nu} = 2 \left( p^{\mu}_{\ell} p^{\nu}_{\nu_{\ell}} + p^{\nu}_{\ell} p^{\mu}_{\nu_{\ell}} - g^{\mu\nu} p_{\ell} p_{\nu_{\ell}} + i \epsilon^{\mu\nu\eta\rho} p_{\ell\eta} p_{\nu_{\ell}\rho} \right)$$

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

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

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#### $B\to X_u\ell\nu$ Decay Distribution: Form Factors

 $\Rightarrow$  Form factors govern the structure of the decay distribution

$$m_b W^{\mu\nu} = -g^{\mu\nu} W_1 + v^{\mu} v^{\nu} W_2 + i \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} v_{\rho} \hat{q}_{\sigma} W_3 + \hat{q}^{\mu} \hat{q}^{\nu} W_4 + (v^{\mu} \hat{q}^{\nu} + v^{\nu} \hat{q}^{\mu}) W_5$$

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with 
$$v^{\mu} = \frac{p^{\mu}}{m_b}$$
 and  $q^{\mu} = p^{\mu}_{\ell} + p^{\mu}_{\nu_{\ell}}$  dilepton momentum

 $\Rightarrow B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$  decay distribution in terms of form factors and massless leptons

$$\frac{d^{3}\Gamma}{d\hat{E}_{\ell} d\hat{q}_{0} d\hat{q}^{2}} = \frac{G_{F}^{2} m_{b}^{5} |V_{ub}|^{2}}{16\pi^{3}} \theta(\hat{E}_{\ell}) \theta(\hat{q}^{2}) \theta\left(\hat{q}_{0} - \hat{E}_{\ell} - \frac{\hat{q}^{2}}{4\hat{E}_{\ell}}\right) \\ \times \left\{\hat{q}^{2} W_{1} - \left[2\hat{E}_{\ell}^{2} - 2\hat{E}_{\ell}\hat{q}_{0} + \frac{\hat{q}^{2}}{2}\right] W_{2} + \hat{q}^{2}(2\hat{E}_{\ell} - \hat{q}_{0}) W_{3}\right\}$$

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where "hat quantities" are  $\hat{x} = \frac{x}{m_b}$ 

 $B \to X_u \ell \nu$  Decay Distribution: Heavy Quark Expansion

 $\Rightarrow$  Heavy Quark Expansion (HQE): OPE in  $1/m_b$  leading to the expression for  $W_i$ 

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

 $\Rightarrow W_i^{(j)}$  are **perturbatively calculable** coefficients

Theory status of the form factors in GGOU

P. Gambino, P. Giordano, G. Ossola, and N. Uraltsev; arXiv:0707.2493

 $\Rightarrow W_i^{(0)}: b \to uW$  partonic decay up to NNLO BLM corrections  $\sim O(\beta_0 \alpha_s^2)$ 

I. I. Y. Bigi, N. G. Uraltsev and A. I. Vainshtein; hep-ph/9207214 I. I. Y. Bigi, M. A. Shif- man, N. G. Uraltsev and A. I. Vainshtein; hep-ph/9304225 F. de Fazio, M. Neubert; hep-ph/9905351 V. Aquila, P. Gambino, G. Ridolfi, N. Uraltsev; hep-ph/0503083

 $\Rightarrow W_i^{(\pi,G,D,LS)}$ :  $(b\gamma^{\mu}P_Lu)$  current QCD to HQET matching at LO

B. Blok, L. Koyrakh, M. A. Shifman and A. I. Vainshtein; hep-ph/9307247 Aneesh V. Manohar, Mark B. Wise; hep-ph/9308246

#### $b \rightarrow c$ Backgrounds: Phase Space Cuts



Belle; arXiv:2102.00020 M. Neubert; hep-ph/9311325

 $B \to X_c \ell \nu$  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 to separate signal from background

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

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

$$\Rightarrow (m_b v + k - q)^2 = (m_b v - q)^2 + O(m_b \Lambda_{\rm QCD}) + O(\Lambda_{\rm QCD}^2) \approx (m_b v - q)^2 \text{ since } (m_b v - q)^2 \sim 0$$

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

M. Neubert; hep-ph/9311325 M. Luke; hep-ph/0307378

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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** 



Partonic decay (tree level)

$$\Rightarrow b(p) \rightarrow s(p')\gamma(q)$$
 with  $p = m_b v$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  Infinitely narrow photon line at  $E_{\gamma}^{(0)} = \frac{m_b}{2}$ 

Hadronic level

- $\Rightarrow B(p_B) \rightarrow X_s(p_{X_s})\gamma(q)$
- $\Rightarrow$  Hadronic kinematic boundary at  $E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}} = \frac{m_B}{2}$

⇒ Partonic vs hadronic dynamics:  

$$E_{\gamma}^{\max} - E_{\gamma}^{(0)} = \frac{m_B - m_b}{2} \sim \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{2}$$
  
⇒ 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; hep-ph/9312359

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### Shape Function(s) in the GGOU Framework

The **GGOU approach** models the **resummation** of **power corrections** as a convolution with non-perturbative **Shape Functions** (SFs)

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

- $\Rightarrow\,$  The SFs are the parton distribution functions for the b quark in the B meson
- ⇒ In the  $m_b \to \infty$  limit, the SFs  $F_i(k_+)$  reduce to a single and universal SF (for radiative and semileptonic decays)
- $\Rightarrow$  At finite  $m_b$  non-universal subleading SFs emerge
- $\Rightarrow$  SFs modelling becomes an irreducible systematic to  $|V_{ub}|$  determinations

P. Gambino, P. Giordano, G. Ossola, and N. Uraltsev; arXiv:0707.2493

#### SFs in the GGOU Framework

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

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

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

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

⇒ Matching consistency implies  $W_i$  up to  $O(1/m_b^3)$  and  $W_i^{\text{pert}}$  at tree-level in the convolution formula ⇒  $I_i^{(n,0)}$  and  $J_i^{(n,0)}$  the *n*th central  $q_0$ -moments of  $W_i^{\text{tree}}$  and  $W_i^{\text{pow}}$  (up to  $O(1/m_b^3)$ ) ⇒ Different parametric families for  $F_i(k_+, q^2)$  used to estimate the theoretical errors



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#### Improvements on the GGOU Approach

Improving constraints and modelling of SFs

 $\Rightarrow \alpha_s/m_b^2$  and  $\alpha_s/m_b^3$  corrections extend theoretical constraints on SF moments:

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

B. Capdevila, P. Gambino, S. Nandi: arXiv:2102.03343

 $\Rightarrow$  Switch from parametric families to model-independent Neural Networks (NN) (NNV<sub>ub</sub> **project**), akin to NNPDF

P. Gambino, K. Healey, C. Mondino: arXiv:1604.0759

Ongoing work: improve  $NNV_{ub}$  with new theoretical constraints and 1D experimental data for the NN trainings

Improving theory precision

- $\Rightarrow$  From NNLO BLM to full NNLO to refine perturbative kernels used in observable calculations.
- The improvements will allow for a more precise extraction of  $V_{ub}$  by refining the theoretical framework

A. Broggio, B. Capdevila, A. Ferroglia, P. Gambino,: arXiv:241x.xxxx

Open Challenges in Analytic NNLO Calculations

$$W_i^{(2)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2) = w_i^{(2,\delta)}(\hat{q}^2) \,\delta(1 + \hat{q}^2 - 2\hat{q}_0) \\ + \sum_{m=0}^3 w_i^{(2,+)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2) \left[\frac{\ln^m(1 + \hat{q}^2 - 2\hat{q}_0)}{1 + \hat{q}^2 - 2\hat{q}_0}\right]_+ + \mathcal{R}_i^{(2)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2)$$

 $\Rightarrow w_i^{(2,\delta)}$  virtual corrections known NNLO results

R. Bonciani, A. Ferroglia; arXiv:0809.4687

But full analytic results for the complete calculation still require additional work

#### $\Rightarrow$ Missing topologies in double real radiation corrections

- $\Rightarrow$  Master Integrals (MIs) arising from these topologies include square root terms in the denominator
- $\Rightarrow$  Non trivial to factorise into generalised harmonic polylogarithms

R. Bonciani, A. Broggio, L. Cieri, A. Ferroglia; arXiv:1807.01681

- $\Rightarrow$  One real, one virtual corrections contributions at NNLO remain uncalculated
- $\Rightarrow$  Potential semi-analytic approach: Missing MIs might be calculated using methods like the "expand and match" approach based on AMFlow

M. Fael, F. Lange, K. Schönwald and M. Steinhauser; arXiv:2106.05296 X. Liua, Yan-Qing Ma; arXiv:2201.11669

### Numerical Approach to $b \to u W^*$ Calculations

#### $\Rightarrow$ Numerical approach adopted due to analytic challenges

Repurposed a code for  $t \to bW^*$  observables at NNLO and adapted it for  $b \to uW^*$ 

J. Gao, C. S. Li, H. X. Zhu; arXiv:1210.2808

- $\Rightarrow$  Promote  $m_W$  from an on-shell value to  $\hat{q}^2$
- $\Rightarrow$  Numerical calculation for  $b \rightarrow uW + two$  jets at LO and  $b \rightarrow uW + one$  jet at NLO
  - ⇒ The Catani-Seymour method employed to cancel infrared divergences in phase space (PS) integrals
    S. Catani, M. H. Seymour; hep-ph/9605323
- ⇒ Slicing method to regulate the unresolved collinear divergences in the integrals using SCET inputs. Implemented analytic NNLO structures for the  $b \rightarrow uW^*$  into the code

$$\frac{d\Gamma^{(2)}}{d\Phi_N}\mathcal{O}(\Phi_N) = \int_0^{\hat{m}_X^{2\text{cut}}} d\hat{m}_X^2 \frac{d\Gamma^{N^3\text{LL}}}{d\Phi_N d\hat{m}_X^2} \bigg|_{\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)} \mathcal{O}(\Phi_N) + \int_{\hat{m}_X^{2\text{cut}}}^{\hat{m}_X^{2\text{max}}} d\hat{m}_X^2 \frac{d\Phi_{N+X}}{d\Phi_N} \frac{d\Gamma^{(1)}_{N+1}}{d\Phi_{N+X}} \mathcal{O}(\Phi_{N+X}) + \int_{\hat{m}_X^{2\text{cut}}}^{\hat{m}_X^{2\text{max}}} d\hat{m}_X^2 \frac{d\Phi_{N+X}}{d\Phi_N} \frac{d\Gamma^{(0)}_{N+X}}{d\Phi_{N+2}} \mathcal{O}(\Phi_{N+X}) + O\left(\frac{1}{m_b}\right)$$

with  $\mathcal{O}$  a  $b \to uW^*$  obs (total rate, diff. moments, ...),  $d\Phi_{N+X}$  is the LO (+ jets) PS and  $\hat{m}_X^2 = \frac{(p_u + p_X)^2}{m_b^2}$  is a **slicing parameter** that measures the jet invariant mass (partonic invariant mass)

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#### Fits to $\mathcal{R}_i$ : Double Differential Distribution

Bypass the analytic calculation of the  $\mathcal{R}_i$  functions:

 $\Rightarrow\,$  Calculate numerically suitable  $b\rightarrow uW^*$  observables within the Slicing Method

 $\Rightarrow$  Fit a parametrisation for the  $\mathcal{R}_i$ 

We numerically calculate the double differential distributions

$$\begin{split} & \frac{d\Gamma}{d\hat{m}_X^2 d\hat{q}^2} \sim \sqrt{\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2} \left\{ \hat{q}^2 \, W_1 + \frac{1}{3} (\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2) W_2 \right\} \\ & \frac{dM_1}{d\hat{m}_X^2 d\hat{q}^2} \sim \sqrt{\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2} \left\{ \hat{q}^2 \hat{q}_0 \, W_1 + \frac{1}{3} \hat{q}_0 (\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2) W_2 + \frac{1}{3} \hat{q}^2 (\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2) W_3 \right\} \\ & \frac{dM_2}{d\hat{m}_X^2 d\hat{q}^2} \sim \sqrt{\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2} \left\{ \frac{\hat{q}^2}{2} (4\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2) \, W_1 + \frac{6\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2}{10} (\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2) W_2 + \hat{q}_0 \hat{q}^2 (\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2) W_3 \right\} \end{split}$$

 $\Rightarrow$   $M_1, M_2$  are the first two  $\hat{E}_{\ell}$  moments of the  $\hat{m}_X^2, \hat{q}^2$  distribution

 $\Rightarrow$  These distributions are particularly sensitive to the structure of the form factors, providing key insights for the fitting process

#### Fits to $\mathcal{R}_i$ : Double Differential Distribution

 $\Rightarrow$  These distributions are calculated in bins of  $\hat{m_X}^2$  and fixed  $\hat{q}^2$ 

$$\left. \left\langle \frac{d^2 M_{n=0,1,2}}{d\hat{m}_X^2 d\hat{q}^2} \right\rangle_{[\hat{m}_X^2]_i, \hat{q}_j^2} = \int_{\hat{m}_{X,i}^2}^{\hat{m}_{X,i+1}^2} d\hat{m}_X^2 \left. \frac{d^2 M_{n=0,1,2}}{d\hat{m}_X^2 d\hat{q}^2} \right|_{\hat{q}^2 = \hat{q}_j^2}$$

with  $[\hat{m}_X^2]_i = [\hat{m}_{X,i}^2, \hat{m}_{X,i+1}^2]$ , and  $\hat{m}_{X,i}^2 < \hat{m}_{X,i+1}^2$ 

#### Fits to $\mathcal{R}_i$ : Singular Structures and Parametrising $\mathcal{R}_i$ at NLO and NNLO

Singular structures known exactly at NLO and NNLO from the SCET factorisation formula

$$W^{\mu\nu} = \sum_{i,j=1}^{3} H_{ij}(\bar{n} \cdot p) \operatorname{tr} \left( \bar{\Gamma}_{j}^{\mu} \frac{\not{p}_{-}}{2} \Gamma_{i}^{\nu} \frac{1 + \not{p}}{2} \right) \int d\omega J(p_{\omega}^{2}) S(\omega) + \text{power corrections,}$$
  
S. W. Bosch, B. O. Lange, M. Neubert, G. Paz; hep-ph/0402094  
H. M. Asatrian, C. Greub, B. D. Pecjak; arXiv:0810.0987

 $\Rightarrow$  Hard functions  $H_{ij}$ , jet function J, and soft function S are all known at NNLO precision.

 $\Rightarrow$  Incorporate these structures into our model for  $W_i^{(j)}$ 

We parametrise the **remaining regular parts**  $\mathcal{R}_i$  using a basis of  $\hat{m}_X^2$  integrable functions

$$\mathcal{R}_{i}^{(j)}(\hat{q}_{0},\hat{q}^{2}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{f}} \alpha_{k}^{W_{i}} f_{k}^{W_{i}}(\hat{q}_{0},\hat{q}^{2})$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Schematically our parametrisation for the form factors

$$W_i^{(j)}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2) = \text{singular parts} + \sum_{j=1}^{n_f} \alpha_k^{W_i} f_k^{W_i}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2)$$

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T. Becher, M. Neubert; hep-ph/0603140

#### Preprocessing Integrals for $\hat{m}_X^2$ and $\hat{q}^2$ Distributions Fits

A given model for  $W_i^{(j)}$  yields the following contribution to the  $\hat{m}_X^2$ ,  $\hat{q}^2$  distributions

$$\begin{split} \left\langle \frac{d^2 M_n}{d\hat{m}_X^2 d\hat{q}^2} \right\rangle_{[\hat{m}_X^2]_i, \hat{q}_j^2} &= \frac{G_F^2 m_b^5 |V_{ub}|^2}{16\pi^3} \times \left\{ \text{singular contributions} + \right. \\ &\left. + \sum_{k=1}^{n_f} \left( \alpha_k^{W_1} \left\langle \beta_k^{W_1, n} \right\rangle_{[\hat{m}_X^2]_i, \hat{q}_j^2} + \alpha_k^{W_2} \left\langle \beta_k^{W_2, n} \right\rangle_{[\hat{m}_X^2]_i, \hat{q}_j^2} + \alpha_k^{W_3} \left\langle \beta_k^{W_3, n} \right\rangle_{[\hat{m}_X^2]_i, \hat{q}_j^2} \right) \right\} \end{split}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  In terms of preprocessing integrals  $\left<\beta_k^{W_i}\right>_{[\hat{m}_X^2]_k,\hat{q}_j^2}$ 

$$\left\langle \beta_k^{W_i,n} \right\rangle_{[\hat{m}_X^2]_k, \hat{q}_j^2} = \int_{\hat{q}_0^{\min}}^{\hat{q}_0^{\max}} 2 \, d\hat{q}_0 \int_{\hat{E}_\ell^{\min}}^{\hat{E}_\ell^{\max}} d\hat{E}_\ell \, \hat{E}_\ell^n \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \hat{q}^2 \\ -\left(2\hat{E}_\ell^2 - 2\hat{E}_\ell \hat{q}_0 + \frac{\hat{q}^2}{2}\right) \\ \hat{q}^2(2\hat{E}_\ell - \hat{q}_0) \end{array} \right\} f_k^{W_i}(\hat{q}_0, \hat{q}^2) \Big|_{\hat{q}^2 = \hat{q}_j^2}.$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Fully vectorised implementation of the preprocessing integrals calculation with JAX

### Default Fit Configuration: Moments, Bins, and Total Rate

Our default fit configuration includes

- $\Rightarrow$  zeroth, first and second lepton energy moments of the  $\hat{m_X}^2$ ,  $\hat{q}^2$  distribution
- $\Rightarrow$  200 bins in  $\hat{m}_X^2$ :  $\hat{m}_X^2^{\min} = 0$  and  $\hat{m}_X^2^{\min} = 1$
- $\Rightarrow$  However, first  $\hat{m}_X^2$  bin is **excluded from the fit**, as it is dominated by singular structures that are already modeled exactly
- $\Rightarrow~26~\hat{q}^2$  points: evenly spaced from  $\hat{q}^{2\,\mathrm{min}}=10^{-4}$  to  $\hat{q}^{2\,\mathrm{max}}=0.8075$
- $\Rightarrow$  Default NLO fit includes analytic **total rate**  $\Gamma_{B \to X_u \ell \nu}$  (with arbitrarily small error)

#### Statistical Model and Fit Analysis

Construct a  $\chi^2$  statistic, incorporating both model and data errors

$$\chi^2(\theta_j) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{obs}}} \frac{(y_i - \lambda_i(\theta_j))^2}{\sigma_{y_i}^2 + \sigma_{\lambda_i}^2(\theta_j)},$$

- $\Rightarrow$   $y_i$  represents the numerical data
- $\Rightarrow \sigma_{y_i}$  denotes the errors on that data
- $\Rightarrow \lambda_i$  represents our model, with  $\theta_j$  parameters
- $\Rightarrow \sigma_{\lambda_i}$  model errors from the numerical calculation of preprocessing integrals

Type of fits analysed

- $\Rightarrow~{\bf NLO},$  where we know the analytic structure, to test the framework
- $\Rightarrow$  Then, we moved on to fits at **NNLO**

#### Model for NLO Fits

```
w = 1 - a2h
uh = 1 + a2h - 2 * a0h
lambdab = 4 * (q0h**2 - q2h)
I1 = jnp.log((1 + uh - q2h + jnp.sqrt(lambdab)) / (1 + uh - q2h - jnp.sqrt(lambdab))) / jnp.sqrt(lambdab))
B func = (inp, log(uh / ((1 - g2h)**2)) + (1 - g2h) * I1) / ((1 - g2h) * uh)
model_vec = jnp.array([
   inp.ones like(uh),
   uh.
   uh**2.
    uh**3.
    w.
    w * uh.
   w * uh**2.
   w * uh**3,
   w**2,
   w**2 * uh.
   w**2 * uh**2,
   w**2 * uh**3.
   inp.log(uh / w**2),
   w * inp.log(uh / w**2).
   inp.log(w) * inp.log(uh),
   jnp.log(w) * jnp.log(uh) * uh,
   inp.sgrt(lambdab) * inp.log(uh).
   uh * w * jnp.log(uh),
   w**2 * inp.log(uh / w**2).
   w**3 * inp.log(uh),
   B func.
   w * B func.
   wkk2 * B func.
   w**3 * B func.
   w**4 * B_func
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## Results from NLO Fits: Form Factor Extraction

 $\Rightarrow$  Results from the NLO fits

 $\Rightarrow W_2 \text{ prefactors in } M_{0,1,2} \text{ are } (\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2), \, \hat{q}_0(\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2), \, \frac{\hat{6}\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2}{10}(\hat{q}_0^2 - \hat{q}^2)$ 

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## NLO $\hat{q}^2$ Spectrum: Comparison of Fit and Analytic Results

 $\Rightarrow$  Calculation of the  $\hat{q}^2$  spectrum from the fit results (including and excluding the total rate in the fit) and its comparison with the analytic expression

 $\Rightarrow$  diff = analytic - fit. Max diff  $\sim 0.5\%$ 



#### Model for NNLO Fits

model\_vec = jnp.array([ inp.ones\_like(uh), uh. uh\*\*2. uh\*\*3. uh\*\*4. a2h. q2h \star uh, a2h \* uh\*\*2. a2h ∗ uh∗∗3, a2h \* uh\*\*4. a2h\*\*2. a2h\*\*2 \* uh. g2h\*\*2 \* uh\*\*2, g2h\*\*2 \* uh\*\*3, q2h\*\*2 \* uh\*\*4, a2h\*\*3. a2h\*\*3 \* uh. a2h\*\*3 \* uh\*\*2. a2h\*\*3 \* uh\*\*3. g2h\*\*3 \* uh\*\*4, jnp.log(1 - g2h), q2h \* jnp.log(1 - q2h), a2h\*\*2 \* inp.log(1 - a2h), uh \* inp.log(1 - g2h). uh\*\*2 \* inp.log(1 - g2h). uh\*\*\*3 \* inp.log(1 - g2h), jnp.log(uh), q2h \* jnp.log(uh), g2h\*\*2 \* inp.log(uh), inp, log(1 - g2h) \* inp, log(uh),inp.log(uh)\*\*2. q2h \* inp.log(uh)\*\*2. g2h\*\*2 \* inp.log(uh)\*\*2. jnp.log(1 - q2h) \* jnp.log(uh)\*\*2, jnp.log(uh)\*\*3, a2h \* inp.log(uh)\*\*3. a2h\*\*2 \* inp.log(uh)\*\*3. jnp.log(1 - q2h) \* jnp.log(uh)\*\*3, 11

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### Results from NNLO Fits: Form Factor Extraction

#### $\Rightarrow$ Results from the NNLO fits



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## NNLO $\hat{q}^2$ Spectrum: Comparison of Fit and Analytic Results

⇒ Calculation of the total rate at NNLO from the fit results (excluding the total rate in the fit) and the known analytic result
L. Chen, H. T. Li, J. Wang, Y. Wang; arXiv:2212.06341

$$\Gamma_{B \to X_u \ell \nu}^{(2)} = -21.2955 \text{ (analytic)} \qquad \Gamma_{B \to X_u \ell \nu}^{(2)} = -21.4865 \pm 0.5730 \text{ (fit)}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  We also compare the  $\hat{q}^2$  spectrum at NNLO between the fit and the analytic results



#### Summary

- ⇒ We have developed a robust numerical approach to extract the  $b \rightarrow uW^*$  form factors at NLO and NNLO, overcoming the challenges posed by missing analytic structures
- $\Rightarrow$  Our fits at NLO show excellent agreement with known analytic structures, providing confidence in the reliability of our methods
- $\Rightarrow$  At NNLO, we have successfully extracted form factors and calculated the total rate and  $\hat{q}^2$  spectrum, comparing them with the analytic predictions
- $\Rightarrow$  These results pave the way for further improvements in our models, especially in refining the NNLO fits and including more sophisticated theoretical constraints
- $\Rightarrow$  Future work will focus on extending the NNLO analysis, improving numerical precision

# Thank You!

Numerical Tests at NLO: Slicing Method vs Analytic Results



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