

Challenges in high-precision determinations of CKM matrix elements using lattice QCD

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General context

## Flavour structure of the Standard Model



d'		$V_{ m ud}$	$V_{ m us}$	$V_{ m ub}$	$\lceil d \rceil$
s'	=	$V_{ m cd}$	$V_{ m cs}$	$V_{ m cb}$	s
b'		$V_{ m td}$	$V_{ m ts}$	$V_{ m tb}$ ]	$\lfloor b \rfloor$

- The flavour structure of the SM is largely unexplained
- CKM matrix elements are inferred from measurements
- Non-unitary of the CKM matrix is still a good target for searching new physics

### CKM matrix elements from leptonic decays



- Leptonic decays: W-boson quark pair annihilation
- Radiation inclusive decay rate

$$\Gamma(P^+ \to \ell^+ \nu_{\ell}[\gamma]) = \frac{G_F^2}{8\pi} f_P^2 m_{\ell}^2 M_P \left(1 - \frac{m_{\ell}^2}{M_P^2}\right)^2 |V_{q_1 q_2}|^2 (1 + \delta R_P)$$

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- from experiment/PDG
- isospin-symmetric QCD component
- isospin-breaking QCD+QED component

### CKM matrix elements from semi-leptonic decays



- Semi-leptonic decays: flavour changing charged current
- Radiation inclusive decay rate

$$\Gamma(P^+ \to Q^0 \mathscr{C}^+ \nu_{\mathscr{C}}[\gamma]) = G_F^2 |V_{q_1 q_2}|^2 \mathscr{I}(1 + \delta_{\mathrm{IB}})$$

# $|V_{us}| \& |V_{ud}|$ anomalies



#### **Significant tensions from**

 $\beta$  decays  $|V_{ud}|$  measurements & radiative corrections input **E** FLAG 2021 + web update

# $f_D/f_{D_s}$ accuracy



 $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  FLAG average  $f_{D_s}/f_D = 1.1783(0.0016)$ 0.1% accuracy, however QED corrections are not known...

## General issues regarding isospin breaking effects

- Isospin-breaking (IB) effects are a small perturbation of hadronic quantities, generally  $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$
- Two components required
  1) distinct up and down masses
  2) electromagnetic interactions between quarks
- Required for precision hadronic physics
- Including QED is challenging. Computing IB effects might not be required for lower precision targets.

## Conventions defining pure QCD

• For an observable X one ideally wants an **expansion** 



- A complete set of hadron masses defines  $X^{\phi}$  unambiguously
- The separation in 3 contributions requires additional conditions, and is scheme-dependent

## Radiative corrections to leptonic decays



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Isospin-breaking corrections to light-meson leptonic decays from lattice simulations at physical quark masses

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## Lattice QCD

- Quantum field theory on a discrete
   Euclidean space-time
- Enable Monte-Carlo estimations of the path integral
- It is free from weak-coupling approximations
- Systematic way to compute nonperturbative hadronic quantities



## Our "particle accelerator"

Edinburgh lattice team & Tursa, July 2022





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## RBC/UKQCD physical point ensemble C0

- Möbius domain-wall fermions
- 2+1 flavours at the physical point
- $a \simeq 0.12 \text{ fm and } L^3 \times T = 48^3 \times 96$

**E** *RBC-UKQCD* PRD 93(7), 074505 (2016)

- 60 independent configurations
- 96 measurements per configuration

## Euclidean correlation functions

Energies and matrix elements extracted from the large-time behaviour of Euclidean correlation functions

**Euclidean time version of LSZ formula** 



$$C_{P\ell}^{(0)}(t,t_{\ell}) = \frac{Z_P e^{-m_P t} e^{-\omega_{\ell} t_{\ell}} e^{-\omega_{\nu} t_{\ell}}}{8m_P \omega_{\ell} \omega_{\nu}} \mathscr{A}_P^{(0)} \mathscr{L} + \cdots$$

### Quark-connected isospin corrections



## Quark-disconnected isospin corrections



#### Significant numerical challenge

No computed here (partially quenched calculation)

## Data analysis

- $\delta R_{K\pi}$  is predicted from fitting 25 correlators
- Contains fac. and nonfact. corrections, and scale setting
- Genetic selection of 78125 best AIC fits
- Final error budget from AIC-weighted histogram



 $\delta R_{K\pi} = \delta R_K - \delta R_{\pi}$ 

(IB corrections to K and  $\pi$ leptonic decay rate ratio)

## Final result

$$\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0086(3)_{\text{stat.}} {\binom{+11}{-4}}_{\text{fit}} (5)_{\text{disc.}} (5)_{\text{quench.}} (39)_{\text{vol.}}$$

• Error dominated by **finite-volume uncertainties** (more about that shortly)

$$|V_{us}|/|V_{ud}| = 0.23154(28)_{exp.}(15)_{\delta R_{K\pi}}(45)_{\delta R_{K\pi},vol.}(65)_{f_K/f_{\pi}}$$

• First need better control on volume and  $f_K/f_{\pi}$ **Then experimental error dominates** 

# $\delta R_{K\pi}$

### Comparison to other determinations



 $\Box Matteo Di Carlo Lattice 2023$  $Solid evidence that <math>\delta R_{K\pi}$  can be computed from first principl

### Finite-volume effects in QED

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#### Relativistic, model-independent determination of electromagnetic finite-size effects beyond the pointlike approximation

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We present a relativistic and model-independent method to derive structure-dependent electromagnetic finite-size effects. This is a systematic procedure, particularly well-suited for automation, which works at arbitrarily high orders in the large-volume expansion. Structure-dependent coefficients appear as zero-momentum derivatives of physical form factors which can be obtained through experimental measurements or auxiliary lattice calculations. As an application we derive the electromagnetic finite-size effects on the pseudoscalar meson mass and leptonic decay amplitude, through orders  $O(1/L^3)$  and  $O(1/L^2)$ , respectively. The structure dependence appears at this order through the meson charge radius and the real radiative leptonic amplitude, which are known experimentally.

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## Photon zero-modes



• Photon Green function equation (Feynman gauge)

$$-\Delta G_{\mu\nu}(x) = \delta_{\mu\nu}\delta(x)$$

• Infinite volume:

Laplacian spectrum non-zero a.e., potentially invertible

 Periodic finite-volume: Isolated zero-mode, non-invertible

#### Photon zero-modes

Finite volume QED loop integrals undefined

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{f(\mathbf{k})}{\mathbf{k}^{2}} \longmapsto \frac{1}{L^{3}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{f(\mathbf{k})}{\mathbf{k}^{2}}, \text{ with } \mathbf{k} = \frac{2\pi}{L} \mathbf{n}$$
possibly divergent isolated  $f(0)/0$  term
**IR divergences**

- QED<sub>L</sub> : remove 3D zero-modes from photon field
  - Hayakawa & Uno, PTP 120 413-441 (2008)
     BMWc Science 347 1452-1455 (2015)

## Non-localities

- $QED_L$  non-local in space (but local in time)
- Potential issues with EFTs and renormalisation
- Alternatives known,  $QED_L$  most popular choice so far

Massive photons
 *Endres, et al.* PRL 117(7) 072002 (2016)
 C\* boundary conditions
 *Lucini, et al.* JHEP02 76 (2016)
 Infinite-volume reconstruction
 *Feng & Jin* PRD 100(9), 094509 (2019)
 *Christ et al.* PRD 108(1), 014501 (2023)

#### Zero-mode regularisation

• In  $QED_L$ 

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{f(\mathbf{k})}{\mathbf{k}^2} \longmapsto \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{k}\neq\mathbf{0}}} \frac{f(\mathbf{k})}{\mathbf{k}^2}$$

• Finite-volume effects

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^{\prime} \frac{f(\mathbf{k})}{\mathbf{k}^2} = \left(\frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq \mathbf{0}} -\int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3}\right) \frac{f(\mathbf{k})}{\mathbf{k}^2}$$

• Soft-photon singularities: power law in 1/L asymptotics

## Finite-volume expansion

• Expansion in inverse powers of *L*, with coefficients

$$c_{j}(\mathbf{v}) = \Delta'_{\mathbf{n}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \Delta'_{\mathbf{n}} = (\sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}} - \int d^{3}\mathbf{n}) \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{n}|^{j}(1 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \Delta'_{\mathbf{n}} = (\sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}} - \int d^{3}\mathbf{n}) \\ \hat{\mathbf{n}} = \mathbf{n}/|\mathbf{n}| \\ \mathbf{v} : \text{velocity} \end{array}$$

+ For example, scalar  $QED_L$  self-energy FV effects

$$\Delta_{\rm FV} \omega(\mathbf{p})^2 = mq^2 \left[ \frac{1}{\gamma(|\mathbf{v}|)} \frac{c_2(\mathbf{v})}{4\pi^2 mL} + \frac{c_1}{2\pi(mL)^2} + \cdots \right]$$
$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{\mathbf{p}}{\sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m^2}}$$

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## Pseudo-scalar mass corrections in $QED_L$



- $1/L \& 1/L^2$  terms are **universal**
- $1/L^3$  term depends on radius and branch-cut contribution
- $1/L^3$  is purely non-local
- Higher orders depend on polarisabilities, etc...
- **I** Di Carlo, AP, et al. PRD 105(7), 074509 (2022)

## Leptonic decay radiative corrections in $QED_L$









$$\begin{split} \Gamma_{0}^{(n)}(L) &= \Gamma_{0}^{\text{tree}} \left[ 1 + 2\frac{\alpha}{4\pi} Y^{(n)}(L) \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^{n+1}}\right) \\ Y^{(2)}(L) &= \frac{3}{4} + 4 \log\left(\frac{m_{\ell}}{m_{W}}\right) + 2 \log\left(\frac{m_{W}L}{4\pi}\right) + \frac{c_{3} - 2\left(c_{3}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell}) - B_{1}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell})\right)}{2\pi} - \\ &- 2A_{1}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell}) \left[ \log\left(\frac{m_{P}L}{2\pi}\right) + \log\left(\frac{m_{\ell}L}{2\pi}\right) - 1 \right] - \frac{1}{m_{P}L} \left[ \frac{(1 + r_{\ell}^{2})^{2}c_{2} - 4r_{\ell}^{2}c_{2}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell})}{1 - r_{\ell}^{4}} \right] + \\ &+ \frac{1}{(m_{P}L)^{2}} \left[ -\frac{F_{A}^{P}}{f_{P}} \frac{4\pi m_{P}\left[(1 + r_{\ell}^{2})^{2}c_{1} - 4r_{\ell}^{2}c_{1}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell})\right]}{1 - r_{\ell}^{4}} + \frac{8\pi\left[(1 + r_{\ell}^{2})c_{1} - 2c_{1}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell})\right]}{(1 - r_{\ell}^{4})} \right] \end{split}$$

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## Leptonic decay radiative corrections in $\ensuremath{QED}_L$

$$Y^{(2)}(L) = \frac{3}{4} + 4 \log\left(\frac{m_{\ell}}{m_{W}}\right) + 2 \log\left(\frac{m_{W}L}{4\pi}\right) + \frac{c_{3} - 2(c_{3}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell}) - B_{1}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell}))}{2\pi} - 2A_{1}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell}) \left[\log\left(\frac{m_{P}L}{2\pi}\right) + \log\left(\frac{m_{\ell}L}{2\pi}\right) - 1\right] - \frac{1}{m_{P}L} \left[\frac{(1 + r_{\ell}^{2})^{2}c_{2} - 4r_{\ell}^{2}c_{2}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell})}{1 - r_{\ell}^{4}}\right] + \frac{1}{(m_{P}L)^{2}} \left[-\frac{F_{A}^{P}}{f_{P}}\frac{4\pi m_{P}\left[(1 + r_{\ell}^{2})^{2}c_{1} - 4r_{\ell}^{2}c_{1}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell})\right]}{1 - r_{\ell}^{4}} + \frac{8\pi\left[(1 + r_{\ell}^{2})c_{1} - 2c_{1}(\mathbf{v}_{\ell})\right]}{(1 - r_{\ell}^{4})}\right]$$

- log & 1/*L* terms **universal**
- $1/L^2$  depends on real radiation form factor  $F_A$ **Di** Carlo, AP, et al. PRD 105(7), 074509 (2022)

## Leptonic decay radiative corrections in $\ensuremath{QED}_L$

• New from Lattice 2023:  $1/L^3$  contributions

$$\frac{32\pi^2 m_P}{f_P (1 - r_\ell^4) (m_P L)^3} \left\{ c_0(\mathbf{v}_\ell) \left[ F_V - F_A + 2m_P^2 r_\ell^2 A^{(0,1)} (0, -m_P^2) \right] + c_0 \mathscr{C}_\ell \right\}$$

#### ☑ Lattice 2023: Nils Hermansson-Truedsson

- $\mathscr{C}_{\ell}$  contains largely unknown branch-cut contributions
- $A^{(0,1)}(0, -m_P^2)$  unknown form factor derivative
- It's ok, wait a couple of slides...

# $QED_L\ \mbox{IR-improvement}\ \mbox{and}\ QED_r$

Modified QED action, new FV coefficients

$$c_j(\mathbf{v}) = \Delta'_{\mathbf{n}} \left[ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{n}|^j (1 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})} \right] + \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}} \left[ \frac{w_{|\mathbf{n}|^2}}{|\mathbf{n}|^j (1 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})} \right]$$

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- $w_{|\mathbf{n}|^2}$  can be tuned to cancel arbitrary sets of FV coefficients
- Useful choice:  $QED_r$ , defined by

$$w_{|\mathbf{n}|^2} = \frac{\delta_{|\mathbf{n}|^2,1}}{6}$$
 which gives  $c_0 = 0$ 

## Consequences of IR improvement

- $QED_r$  has no  $1/L^3$  corrections to the scalar mass
- QED<sub>r</sub> has no  $1/L^3$  corrections to the  $\pi\pi$  HVP (assuming zero spatial momentum)
- For weak decays it is more complicated because of the presence of  $c_0(\mathbf{v}_\ell)$  at  $1/L^3$
- More improvement can be done, but will generally require process and kinematics-dependent weights

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## Colinear divergences in finite volume

- $c_j(\mathbf{v})$  has a non-trivial angular dependence, and **diverges** linearly with  $1 - |\mathbf{v}|$  for  $|\mathbf{v}| \to 1$  $\subseteq AP$  Lattice 2023
- Relevant for leptonic decays with **ultra-relativistic leptons** in final state (e.g.  $D^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_{\mu}$ )
- Very different from symmetric, logarithmic behaviour in infinite-volume







# Dealing with $1/L^3$ effects for leptonic decays

- With  $QED_r$ ,  $c_0 = 0$
- Collinear divergences can be tamed stochastically averaging momentum direction across measurements (SDA)
- With  $\text{QED}_{r}$ ,  $\langle c_0(\mathbf{v}) \rangle_{\hat{\mathbf{v}}} = 0$
- Alternatively, one can solve  $c_0(\mathbf{v}^*) = 0$  (magic angles)
- **Removes**  $1/L^3$  **FV corrections in leptonic decays**!

## Outlook

## UKQCD current status

- QED<sub>r</sub> + magic angles running in Edinburgh for  $64^3$  RBC-UKQCD physical point at  $a \simeq 0.08$  fm
- + Volume scaling study of  $QED_r$  at unphysical masses
- Disconnected diagrams computation starting soon

### UKQCD current status



## Summary

- Unambiguous and accurate results for radiative corrections to weak meson decays is crucial for pushing further unitarity tests of the CKM matrix
- Lattice results **already competitive** for kaons and pions
- Experimental efforts are also required (e.g. NA62/HIKE)
- Lattice should be ready to **move to heavy quarks**
- Recent improvements allow control of FV effects up to high orders in finite-volume QED

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## Edinburgh Consensus on QCD+QED prescriptions

Pure QCD  $\hat{M}_{\pi^+} = 135.0 \text{ MeV}$   $\hat{M}_{K^+} = 491.6 \text{ MeV}$   $\hat{M}_{K^0} = 497.6 \text{ MeV}$  $\hat{M}_{D_s} = 1967 \text{ MeV}$  Iso-symmetric QCD

 $\bar{M}_{\pi} = 135.0 \text{ MeV}$  $\bar{M}_{K} = 494.6 \text{ MeV}$  $\bar{M}_{D_{s}} = 1967 \text{ MeV}$ 

Scale 
$$\bar{f}_{\pi} = \hat{f}_{\pi} = 130.5 \text{ MeV}$$

- Converging on QCD+QED prescriptions Edinburgh, 29-31 May 2023
- Proposed to FLAG and g-2 TI

#### Leptonic decays correlation functions examples



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#### Power-like finite-volume effects: example



#### Power-like finite-volume effects: example

• In QED<sub>L</sub>, 
$$\mathbf{k} = \frac{2\pi}{L}\mathbf{n}$$
 and  $\mathbf{k} \neq \mathbf{0}$ 

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}' = \left(\sum_{\mathbf{k}\neq\mathbf{0}} - \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^{3}}\right) = \frac{1}{L^{3}}\Delta_{\mathbf{n}}'$$

$$\Delta_{\rm FV} m^2(L) = \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}' \left( \frac{m}{|\mathbf{k}|^2} + \frac{1}{|\mathbf{k}|} + R(\mathbf{k}) \right)$$
$$= \frac{c_2 m}{4\pi^2 L} + \frac{c_1}{2\pi L^2} + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}' R(\mathbf{k})$$

. FV coefficient  $c_j = \Delta'_n |\mathbf{n}|^{-j} = Z_{00}\left(\frac{j}{2}, \mathbf{0}\right)$ 

## Non-localities

- If *f*(**k**) is analytic, the sum-integral difference in **k decays** exponentially with *L*
- This is not true in  $\ensuremath{QED}_L$  because of the missing modes

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}' f(\mathbf{k}) = -\frac{f(\mathbf{0})}{L^3}$$

- Related to FV coefficient  $c_0 = \Delta'_n(1) = -1$
- Effects proportional to  $c_0$  are **non-local effects**

#### Exponential vs power, how much does it matter?

