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Analyticity in *b → sℓℓ* at two-loops

A paper with Christoph

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My relation to Christoph

- In May 2015 Christoph invited my to give a seminar at Bern. I gave a blackboard lunch seminar about *b → sγ*, and a theory seminar about the (then recent) *b → sℓℓ* anomalies.
- In January 2016 Christoph offered me a postdoc at Bern. I accepted.
- I was a postdoc here from June 2016 to June 2017.
- I wrote two papers with Christoph: One together with Jason and Matteo, and the second one together with Hrachia on the two-loop calculation (finished in 2019). This is the paper I will talk about today.
- My year in Bern was the peak of my career, my most prolific year. Bern had a true impact in my life, and in the life of my (2-y-o) son.

Anatomy of $B \to M_\lambda \ell^+ \ell^-$ EFT Amplitudes

$$
\mathcal{A}_{\lambda}^{L,R} = \mathcal{N}_{\lambda} \left\{ (C_9 \mp C_{10}) \mathcal{F}_{\lambda}(q^2) + \frac{2m_b M_B}{q^2} \bigg[C_7 \mathcal{F}_{\lambda}^{T}(q^2) - 16 \pi^2 \frac{M_B}{m_b} \mathcal{H}_{\lambda}(q^2) \bigg] \right\}
$$

 \blacktriangleright Local (Form Factors): $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}^{(T)}(q^2) = \langle \bar{M}_{\lambda}(k) | \bar{s} \Gamma_{\lambda}^{(T)} b | \bar{\beta}(k+q) \rangle$

$$
\blacktriangleright \text{Non-local}: \ \mathcal{H}_{\lambda}(q^2) = i \mathcal{P}_{\mu}^{\lambda} \int d^4x \ e^{iq \cdot x} \langle \bar{M}_{\lambda}(k) | T\{ j^{\mu}_{em}(x), C_i \mathcal{O}_i(0) \} | \bar{B}(q+k) \rangle
$$

Summary

Local

- Theory (LQCD / LCSRs)
- *z*-expansion (analyticity)
- Dispersive bounds (unitarity) [BGL/BCL]

Non-Local

• Theory (QCDF, (LC)OPE, models, …)

-*z*-expansion

- *q* 2 -dependence -dispersion relations -phenomenological
- Dispersive bounds
- Fits *−→* "data-driven" methods??

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Non-Local Form Factors

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$$

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- \cdot There is a "light-hadron" cut for $q^2>0$, but it is OZI suppressed.
- p^2 cut makes $\mathcal{H}(q^2)$ complex everywhere, but does it affect q^2 ?
- Partonic calculation mimics all singularities (must be a Theorem)
- Two-loop partonic calculation confirms analytic structure Asatrian, Greub, Virto 2019

q^2 **-dependence from Analyticity** Bobeth, Chrzaszcz, van Dyk, Virto 2017

▶ Expansion needed for $|z|$ < 0.52 (-7 GeV² $\leq q^2 \leq 14$ GeV²)

Fit to *z*-parametrisation Bobeth, Chrzaszcz, van Dyk, Virto 2017

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Issues:

- 1. Is the theory data reliable?
- 2. Validity of *z*-expansion: Do we understand the analytic structure?
- 3. Truncation of *z*-expansion *→* dispersive bound
- 4. Technical aspects of fits (convergence, interpretation, …)

Any concern should be linked to one of these points clearly.

$$
\mathcal{H}^{\mu}(q,k) = i \int d^4x \, e^{iq \cdot x} \langle \bar{M}_{\lambda}(k) | \mathcal{T} \{ \mathcal{J}_{em}^{\mu}(x), \mathcal{C}_i \mathcal{O}_i(0) \} | \bar{B}(q+k) \rangle
$$

- Large-*q* 2 : Dominated by *x ∼* 0 (short-distance dominance OPE) Grinstein, Pirjol; Beylich, Buchalla, Feldmann
- Low-*q* 2 : Dominated by *x* ² *[∼]* 0 (light-cone dominance LCOPE)

Khodjamirian, Mannel, Pivovarov, Wang

$$
\xrightarrow{\text{Lope}} 0 \qquad \text{physical region} \qquad (M_B - M_M)^2 \text{ODE} \qquad \qquad 2^2
$$

+ analytically-continue from OPE region to physical region

We write

$$
\mathcal{H}^{\mu}(q,k) = \langle \bar{M}_{\lambda}(k) | \mathcal{K}^{\mu}(q) | \bar{B}(q+k) \rangle
$$

With the operator $\mathcal{K}^{\mu}(q)$ given by

$$
\mathcal{K}^{\mu}(q) = i \int d^4x \, e^{iq \cdot x} \, \mathcal{T} \{ \mathcal{J}_{em}^{\mu}(x), \mathcal{C}_i \mathcal{O}_i(0) \}
$$

It turns out that: Leading-order OPE = Leading order LCOPE

$$
\mathcal{K}^{\mu}_{\text{OPE}}(q) = \Delta C_9(q^2) \left(q^{\mu} q^{\nu} - q^2 g^{\mu \nu} \right) \bar{s} \gamma_{\nu} P_L b + \Delta C_7(q^2) 2 i m_b \bar{s} \sigma^{\mu \nu} q_{\nu} P_R b + \cdots
$$

With this we have:

$$
\mathcal{H}^{\mu}_{\text{OPE}}(q,k) = \Delta C_9(q^2) (q^{\mu}q^{\nu} - q^2 g^{\mu\nu}) \mathcal{F}_{\nu} + 2im_b \Delta C_7(q^2) \mathcal{F}^{T\mu} + \cdots
$$

Objective: Fully analytical calculation in two variables: q^2 and m_c .

 $\Delta C_7 = \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ and $\Delta C_9 \sim \log(4m_c^2 - q^2) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$

Two-loop Master Integrals

$$
J_i(q^2, m_c) = (2\pi)^{-2d} \int \frac{(m_b^2)^{N_i-4} (\tilde{\mu}^2)^{2\epsilon} d^d \ell d^d r}{P_{i_1}^{n_{i_1}} P_{i_2}^{n_{i_2}} P_{i_3}^{n_{i_3}} P_{i_4}^{n_{i_4}} P_{i_5}^{n_{i_5}} P_{i_6}^{n_{i_6}} P_{i_7}^{n_{i_7}}}
$$

$$
P_1 = (\ell + q)^2 - m_c^2
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P_2 = \ell^2 - m_c^2
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$$
P_3 = (\ell + r)^2 - m_c^2
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P_4 = r^2
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$$
P_5 = (r + p - q)^2
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P_6 = r \cdot q
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P_7 = \ell \cdot (p - q)
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$$
P_8 = (r + p)^2
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$$
P_9 = \ell \cdot q
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$$
P_{10} = (r + p - q)^2 - m_b^2
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P_{11} = (r + p)^2 - m_b^2
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$$
P_{12} = (\ell + r + q)^2 - m_c^2
$$

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$$
P_{13} = r \cdot (p - q)
$$

Differential Equations in Canonical Form Theorem Henn 2013

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$$

$$
\partial_x J_{i,k}(\epsilon, x, y) = a_{i,x}^{k\ell}(\epsilon, x, y) J_{i,\ell}(\epsilon, x, y) , \quad \partial_y J_{i,k}(\epsilon, x, y) = a_{i,y}^{k\ell}(\epsilon, x, y) J_{i,\ell}(\epsilon, x, y) ,
$$

 \rightarrow Transformation to "Canonical" Basis: $\vec{M}(x, y) = \mathcal{T}(\epsilon, x, y) \cdot \vec{J}(x, y)$

$$
\partial_x \vec{M}(\epsilon, x, y) = \epsilon A_x(x, y) \vec{M}(\epsilon, x, y) \quad ; \quad \partial_y \vec{M}(\epsilon, x, y) = \epsilon A_y(x, y) \vec{M}(\epsilon, x, y)
$$

Need to find the right variables *x, y*

Differential Equations in Canonical Form **Example 2013** Henn 2013

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$$

Need to find the right variables *x*, *y*, functions of $s = q^2/m_b^2$, $z = m_c^2/m_b^2$.

$$
x_{a} = x_{c} = x_{e} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 4z}}, \quad x_{b} = x_{d} = \sqrt{4z} - \sqrt{4z - 1},
$$

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$$
y_{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4z}{1 - s}}}, \quad y_{b} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{s}}}, \quad y_{c} = y_{d} = y_{e} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4z}{s}}}
$$

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$$
t_{b} = \frac{-4x_{b}^{2} + 4x_{b}^{2}y_{b} + 2\sqrt{2}x_{b}^{2}(1 + y_{b})\sqrt{\frac{2x_{b}^{4} - x_{b}^{2}y_{b} + 2x_{b}^{4}y_{b} - x_{b}^{6}y_{b} + x_{b}^{2}y_{b}^{2} + 4x_{b}^{4}y_{b}^{2} + x_{b}^{6}y_{b}^{2}}{-1 + 6x_{b}^{2} - x_{b}^{4} + y_{b} + 2x_{b}^{2}y_{b} + x_{b}^{4}y_{b}}
$$

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$$
v_{b} = \frac{-4x_{b}^{2} - 4x_{b}^{2}y_{b} + 4\sqrt{2}x_{b}^{2}(1 - y_{b})\sqrt{\frac{2x_{b}^{4} + x_{b}^{2}y_{b} - x_{b}^{4}y_{b} + x_{b}^{2}y_{b}^{2} + x_{b}^{4}y_{b}^{2} + x_{b}^{6}y_{b}^{2}}{x_{b}^{4}(1 - y_{b})^{2}}}{1 - 6x_{b}^{2} + x_{b}^{4} + y_{b} + 2x_{b}^{2}y_{b} + x_{b}^{4}y_{b}}
$$
 similar to Huber, Bell 2014

Iterative solution of DEs

$$
\partial_x \vec{M}(\epsilon, x, y) = \epsilon A_x(x, y) \vec{M}(\epsilon, x, y) \quad ; \quad \partial_y \vec{M}(\epsilon, x, y) = \epsilon A_y(x, y) \vec{M}(\epsilon, x, y)
$$

$$
\vec{M}(\epsilon, x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \epsilon^n \, \vec{M}_n(x, y)
$$

$$
\partial_{x,y}\vec{M}_n(x,y)=A_{x,y}(x,y)\vec{M}_{n-1}(x,y)
$$

Iterative solution of DEs First *y* dependence, then *x*:

$$
\vec{M}_0(x, y) = \vec{C}_0(x), \n\vec{M}_1(x, y) = \sum_{j_1} [A_y^{j_1} G(w_{j_1}(x); y)] \vec{C}_0(x) + \vec{C}_1(x), \n\vec{M}_2(x, y) = \sum_{j_2, j_1} [A_y^{j_2} A_y^{j_1} G(w_{j_2}(x), w_{j_1}(x); y)] \vec{C}_0(x) \n+ \sum_{j_2} [A_y^{j_2} G(w_{j_2}(x); y)] \vec{C}_1(x) + \vec{C}_2(x),
$$

 $\vec{M}_3(x, y) = \cdots$ (1)

Iterative solution of DEs

Solutions in terms of Generalized Polylogarithms (GPLs) Goncharov 1998

$$
G(w_1,...,w_n; y) = \int_0^y \frac{dt}{t - w_1} G(w_2,...,w_n; t) ; \quad G(:,y) = 1; \quad G(\vec{0}_n; x) = \frac{\log^n x}{n!}
$$

i.e

$$
G(1;x) = \log (1-x) , \quad G(0,1;x) = -Li_2(x) , \quad G(0,0,1;x) = -Li_3(x) ...
$$

Fast numerical evaluation of general GPLs in the complex plane available (C++, python, matlab, …)

Singularities of the partonic amplitude

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Checking analytic structure of $\mathcal{H}(q^2)$

Direct check of analytic structure at two loops:

Asatian, Greub, Virto 2019

$$
F(s_1) - F(s_2) = \frac{s_1 - s_2}{2\pi i} \int_{s_{\text{th}}}^{\infty} dt \frac{F(t + i0) - F(t - i0)}{(t - s_1)(t - s_0)}
$$

Example:

Left-Hand Cuts? M. Hoferichter, S. Mutke

First mentioned by Ciuchini et al 2022 but in the context of the p^2 cut

Are they there? Are they sizable? Can we modify the *z*-expansion?

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Asatrian, Greub, Virto 2019

- The discontinuities in diagrams a and c become purely imaginary for $s > 4z$ and $s > 1$, respectively.
- \bullet The contribution from diagrams c features a pole on the real axis when approaching the point $s = 1$ from the negative imaginary plane. This pole is related to an anomalous threshold.

Faster/better implementation of GPLs needed to check the dispersion relation in diagrams (c) [e.g. EOS] – (work by Viktor Kuschke)

Thank you