

# Lattice study of semileptonic $B$ decays into $D$ mesons

*in the SM and beyond*

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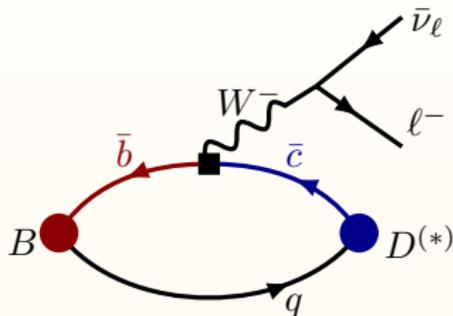
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# Why semileptonic $B$ decays? (I)



Difference between the **inclusive** and the **exclusive** determination of the CKM matrix element  $V_{cb}$  ( $\simeq 1.5\sigma$ )

Inclusive decays :  $|V_{cb}|_{\text{inclusive}} = 41.90(70) \times 10^{-3}$

Exclusive decays : decay rates  $\propto$  CKM matrix element  $\times$   $\underbrace{\text{form factor}}_{\text{theoretical uncertainty}}$

►  $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$   $\mathcal{F}(1) = 0.906(4)(12)$  ( $\mathcal{F}(1) \cdot |V_{cb}| = 35.90(45) \times 10^{-3}$ )

[Bailey et al. \[arXiv:1403.0635\] \(2014\)](#)

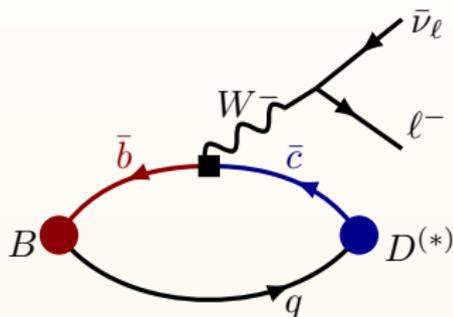
►  $B \rightarrow D \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$   $\mathcal{G}(1) = 1.074(24)$  ( $\mathcal{G}(1) \cdot |V_{cb}| = 42.6(1.5) \times 10^{-3}$ )

[Okamoto et al. \[Nucl. Phys. Proc. Suppl.\]](#)

$$\Rightarrow |V_{cb}|_{\text{exclusive}} = 38.56(89) \times 10^{-3}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Improve lattice precision and use other lattice approaches

# Why semileptonic $B$ decays? (II)



Difference between experimental measurements and theoretical predictions in “ $b \rightarrow c$ ” data?

$$R(D) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell)}$$

Babar Collaboration  $\leadsto 0.440 \pm 0.072$

[BaBar Collaboration \[Phys. Rev. Lett\] \(2008\)](#)

Standard Model  $\leadsto 0.31 \pm 0.02$

[Becirevic et al. \[Phys. Lett. B 716\] \(2013\)](#)

around  $2\sigma$  tension between measurements and SM predictions

Possible New Physics effects in semileptonic  $B$  decays?

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## New Physics in “ $b \rightarrow c$ ” ?

- Revisit the SM prediction
- Consider additional **tensor** and **scalar** operators in the effective Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{NP}}$$

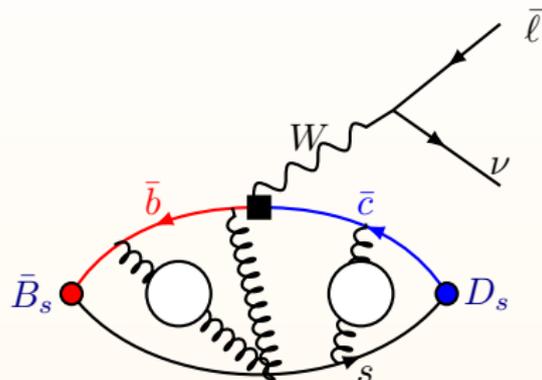
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## $b \rightarrow c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$ effective Hamiltonian

In Standard Model (SM) :

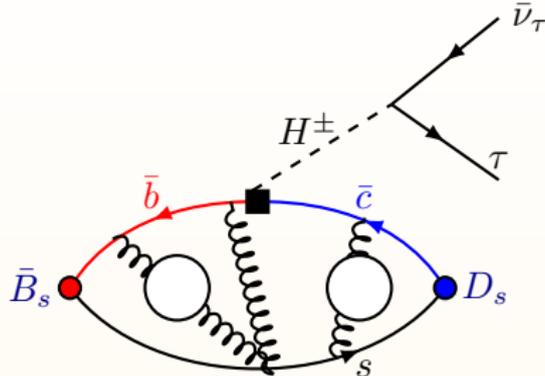
$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SM}} \propto \bar{c} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) b \bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_\ell$$



## Hadronic matrix elements

$$\begin{aligned} \langle D_s(p_{D_s}) | V_\mu | \bar{B}_s(p_{B_s}) \rangle &= F_+(q^2) (p_{B_s} + p_{D_s})_\mu \\ &+ (p_{B_s} - p_{D_s})_\mu [F_0(q^2) - F_+(q^2)] \left( \frac{m_{B_s}^2 - m_{D_s}^2}{q^2} \right) \quad [0 < q^2 \leq (m_B - m_D)^2] \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle D_s(p_{D_s}) | A_\mu | \bar{B}_s(p_{B_s}) \rangle = 0$$



## New Physics scenario

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{NP}} \propto g_T (\bar{c} \sigma_{\mu\nu} b) (\bar{\ell} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \nu) + g_S (\bar{c}_R b_L) (\bar{\ell}_R \nu_L)$$

$g_T$  : Coupling of the new tensor term

$g_S$  : Coupling of the scalar term

$$\begin{aligned} \langle D_s(p_{D_s}) | \bar{c} \sigma_{\mu\nu} b | B_s(p_{B_s}) \rangle = \\ -i \left( p_{B_s \mu} p_{D_s \nu} - p_{D_s \mu} p_{B_s \nu} \right) \frac{2 F_T(q^2)}{m_{B_s} + m_{D_s}} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  3 form factors :  $\underbrace{F_+, F_0}_{\text{In SM}}$  and  $F_T$   
}  
NP

# Going to the Lattice

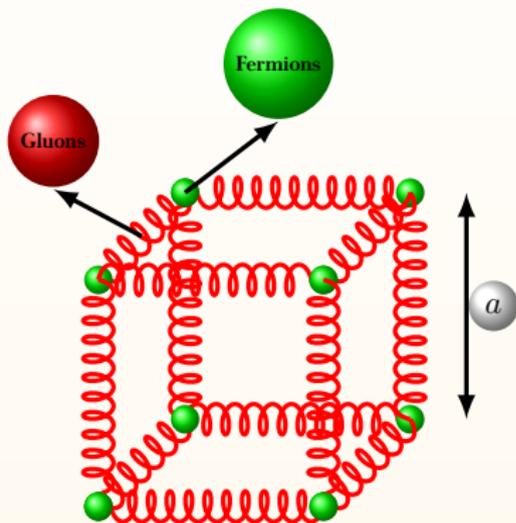
## WHY

The only known way to systematically and rigorously solve the quantum theory of strong interactions

## INTEREST

No uncontrolled hypothesis, pure QCD!!

# Going to the lattice



- Space time discretization (K. Wilson 1974)
- Sufficiently small lattice spacing  $a$   
 $a \simeq 0.05 \cdots 0.10 \text{ fm} \Rightarrow$  “continuum physics”
- Hypercubic lattice  $L^3 \times T$   
 $L \simeq 2.0 \cdots 4.0 \text{ fm}$  (sufficiently large)  
 $\Rightarrow$  “no finite size effects”

## EXPECTED PROBLEM ( $B_s \rightarrow D_s \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$ )

Computation of quantities involving heavy quarks (cut-off effects  $am_b \gg 1$ )

Approach : Interpolation to the physical  $b$  mass from the charm region (ratio method)

[Atoui et al. \[arXiv :1310.5238\] \(2013\)](#), [P. Dimopoulos et al. \[ETM Collaboration\] \[JHEP 1201, 046\] \(2012\)](#)

# Simulation setup

- Wilson twisted mass Dirac operator with **two degenerate flavors** ( $N_f = 2$ )

$$Q^{(x)} = \gamma_\mu D_\mu + m + i\mu\gamma_5 - \frac{a}{2}\square, \quad m + 4 = \frac{1}{2\kappa}$$

- "Tree-level Symanzik" improved Gauge-action
- 4 lattice spacings  $\Rightarrow$  extrapolation in the continuum
- $m_\pi \in [280, 500]$  MeV
- Ten heavy quark masses  $m_c = m_h^{(0)}, m_b = m_h^{(9)}$

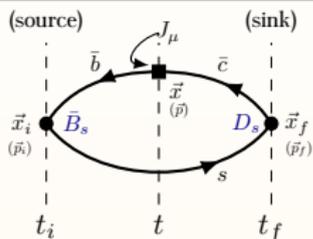
[\[ETM Collaboration, arXiv :1010.3659, arXiv :1107.1441\]](#)

- Renormalization constants computed non-perturbatively in RI-MOM scheme

[Constantinou \*et al.\* \[ETM Collaboration, arXiv :1201.5025\]](#)

- Smearing parameters :  $\kappa_s = 4, N = 30, \alpha_{\text{APE}} = 0.5$  and  $N_{\text{APE}} = 20$

# Matrix elements extraction



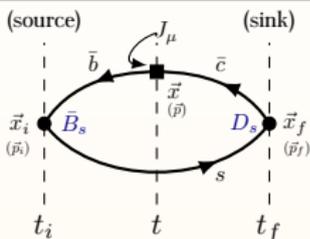
- Kinematics : rest frame of  $B_s$

$$p_{B_s} = (m_{B_s}, \vec{0}) \quad p_{D_s} = (E_{D_s}, \vec{p}_{D_s}) \quad \text{with } \vec{p}_{D_s} = \frac{\pi \vec{\theta}_0}{L}$$

*(twisted boundary conditions)*

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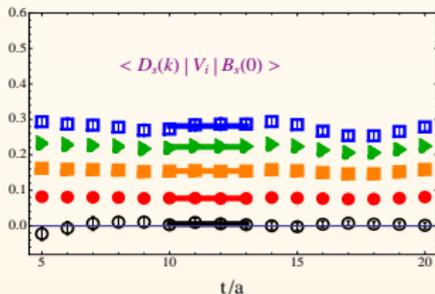
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- Two- and three- point correlators

$$\text{Ratio } \mathcal{R}(t) = \frac{\mathcal{C}^{(3)}(t, t_i, t_f, \vec{p}_i, \vec{p}_f)}{\mathcal{C}_{(B_s)}^{(2)}(t - t_i, \vec{p}_f) \cdot \mathcal{C}_{(D_s)}^{(2)}(t_f - t, \vec{p}_i)} \cdot \sqrt{\mathcal{Z}_{B_s}} \cdot \sqrt{\mathcal{Z}_{D_s}}$$

$$\frac{t_f - t \rightarrow \infty}{t - t_i \rightarrow \infty} \rightarrow \langle D_s(\vec{p}_f) | J_\mu | B_s(\vec{p}_i) \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{Z}_H = |\langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_H | H \rangle|^2 \text{ obtained from } \mathcal{C}_H^{(2)}(t) \xrightarrow{t \gg 0} \frac{\mathcal{Z}_H}{2M_H} [\exp(-M_H t) + \exp(M_H t)]$$



At large time, we observe the stable signal (plateau)  
which is the desired hadronic matrix element

# Extraction of $\mathcal{G}_s(1)$

## HQET decomposition

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{m_{B_s} m_{D_s}}} \langle D_s(p_{D_s}) | V_\mu | \bar{B}_s(p_{B_s}) \rangle = h_+(w) (v_{B_s} + v_{D_s})_\mu + (v_{B_s} - v_{D_s})_\mu h_-(w)$$

$$\text{with } F_+(q^2) = \frac{m_B + m_D}{\sqrt{4m_B m_D}} \cdot h_+(w) \left[ 1 - \frac{m_B - m_D}{m_B + m_D} \frac{h_-(w)}{h_+(w)} \right],$$

$$\text{and } F_0(q^2) = \frac{\sqrt{m_B m_D}}{m_B + m_D} (w + 1) \cdot h_+(w) \left[ 1 - \frac{m_B + m_D}{m_B - m_D} \frac{w - 1}{w + 1} \frac{h_-(w)}{h_+(w)} \right]$$

- The decay rate depends on  $\mathcal{G}_s(w)^{B_s \rightarrow D_s}$  (in the limit of vanishing lepton masses)

$$\mathcal{G}_s(w) = h_+(w) - \frac{m_{D_s} - m_{B_s}}{m_{D_s} + m_{B_s}} h_-(w)$$

needed to extract  $V_{cb}$

- ▶ **Experiments** :  $\mathcal{G}_s(w) |V_{cb}|$
- ▶ **Lattice QCD** provides normalization : the zero recoil point (Isgur-Wise point)  $\mathcal{G}_s(1)$

# $\mathcal{G}_s(1)$ in the continuum

- **Heavy quark masses** ( $a \cdot m_h \ll 1$ )  $m_h^i$   $i \in \{0, \dots, 9\}$

$$m_c \leq m_h^i \leq m_b \quad \frac{m_h^{i+1}}{m_h^i} = \lambda = 1.17$$

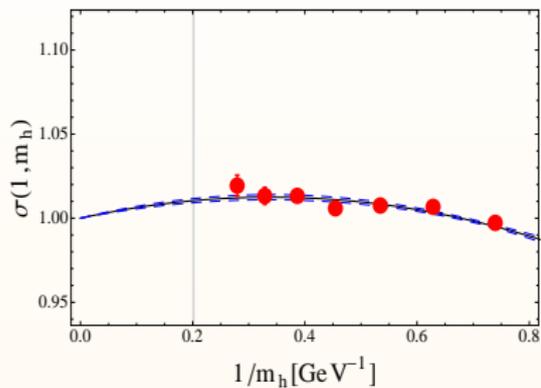
- Determine for each  $m_h^i$  the ratio

$$\Sigma_i(a^2, m_l) = \frac{\mathcal{G}_s(1, m_h^{(i+1)})}{\mathcal{G}_s(1, m_h^{(i)})}, \text{ for each}$$

- ▶ gauge ensemble
- ▶ light quark mass

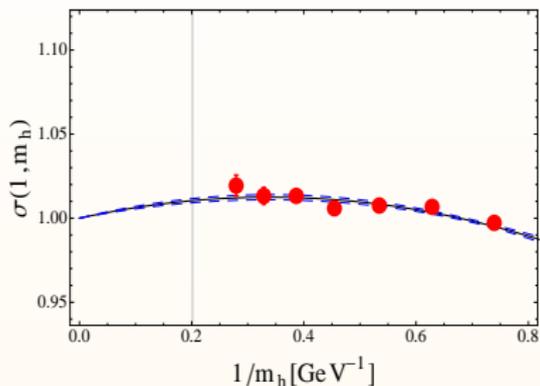
$\Rightarrow$  Extrapolate  $\Sigma_i$  to the continuum  $\sigma_i = \lim_{\substack{m_l^{\text{sea}} \rightarrow m_{ud} \\ a \rightarrow 0}} \Sigma_i$

$$\Sigma_i = \left[ \alpha^s + \beta^s \frac{m_l^{\text{sea}}}{m_s} + \gamma^s \frac{a^2}{a_{3,9}^2} \right]$$



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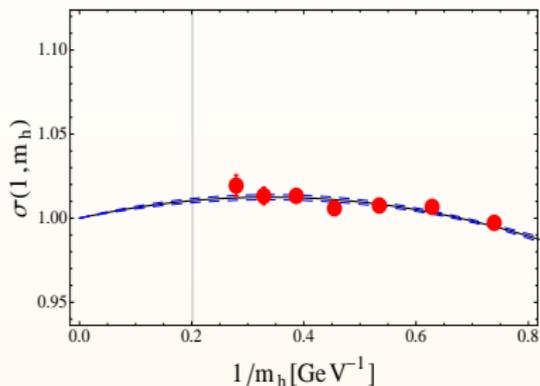
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$$\mathcal{G}_s(1, m_b) = \mathcal{G}_s(1, m_h = m_c) \sigma_0 \sigma_1 \cdots \sigma_8 \sigma_9$$

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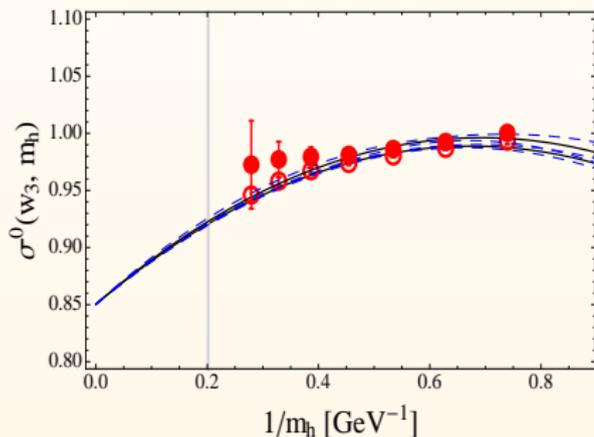
- $\mathcal{G}_s(1) = 1.052(46) \Rightarrow$  should be used to extract  $V_{cb}$  from  $B_s \rightarrow D_s$  data
- $\mathcal{G}(1) = 1.079(29) \Rightarrow V_{cb} = (39.48 \pm 1.06_{\text{th.}} \pm 1.39_{\text{exp}}) \times 10^{-3}$  (from  $B \rightarrow D$  data)

$$\mathcal{R}_0(q^2) = F_0(q^2)/F_+(q^2) \text{ near zero recoil}$$

## Importance

- Discuss the recent discrepancy between the experimentally measured  $\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D\tau\nu_\tau)/\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D\ell\nu_\ell)$  and its SM prediction
- More significant for the case of the  $\tau$ -lepton

Strategy : compute the ratio of  $\mathcal{R}_0$  at successive  $m_h^i$  :



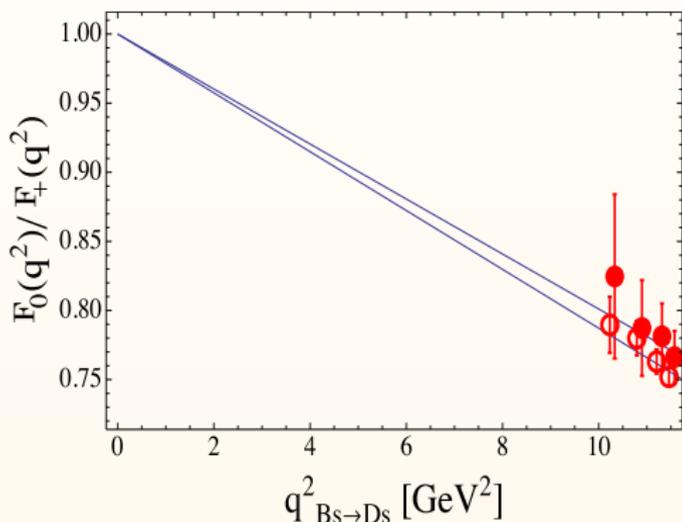
$$\sigma^0(w, m_h) = \frac{1}{\lambda} + \frac{s_1''}{m_h} + \frac{s_2''}{m_h^2}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_0(q^2) \propto 1/m_h \text{ (HQET)}$$

- dependence on  $m_l^{\text{sea}}$
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At defined  $w$  and at  $m_b$  :

$$\mathcal{R}_0(w) = \mathcal{R}_0(w, m_h^{(i)}) \sigma_{(i)}^0 \sigma_{(i+1)}^0 \cdots \sigma_{(8)}^0 \sigma_{(9)}^0$$



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$F_0(0) = F_+(0) \Rightarrow$  fit with  $\mathcal{R}_0(q^2) = 1 - \alpha q^2$   
 $\alpha = 0.021(1)$  consistent with existing results

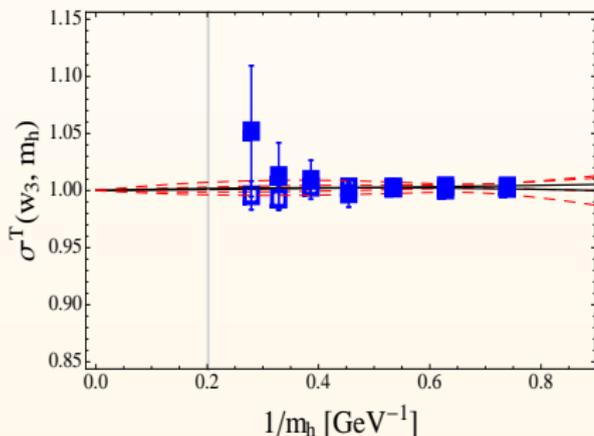
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# The tensor form factor $F_T$

*Goal* : determine the ratio  $\mathcal{R}_T = \frac{F_T}{F_+}$  near zero recoil

( $F_T$  is obtained in the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme and at  $\mu = m_b$ )

*Strategy* : compute the ratio of  $\mathcal{R}_T$  at successive  $m_h^i$  :



$$\sigma^T(w, m_h) = 1 + \frac{s'_1}{m_h} + \frac{s'_2}{m_h^2}$$

$\mathcal{R}_T(q^2) \propto \text{constant}$  (HQET)

- (dependence on  $m_l^{\text{sea}}$ )
- (not dependent on  $m_l^{\text{sea}}$ )

After the continuum extrapolation, we use  $\sigma^T(w)$  to determine :

$$\mathcal{R}_T(w, m_b) = \mathcal{R}_T(w, m_h^{(i)}) \sigma_{(i)}^T \sigma_{(i+1)}^T \cdots \sigma_{(8)}^T \sigma_{(9)}^T$$

$w$	1.004	1.016	1.036	1.062
$\mathcal{R}_T$	1.076(68)	1.062 (76)	0.975(94)	0.920 (111)

- Quark model predictions :  $\mathcal{R}_T(q^2) = 1.03(1)$  ([Melikhov et al., Phys. Rev. D 62, \(2000\)](#))
- Our LQCD data : **Error increases when going to higher  $w$** 
  - ▶ unable to check the flatness of  $\mathcal{R}_T(q^2)$
  - ▶  $F_T(q^2) \neq 0$  is a signature of NP effects

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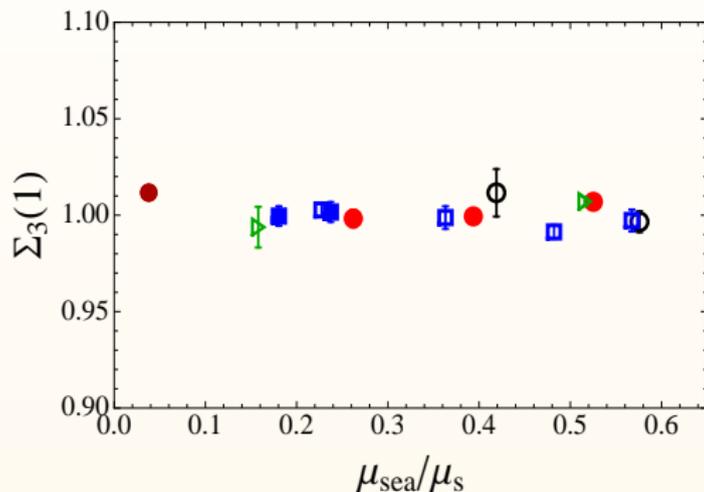
- Dynamical lattice computation of the  $\bar{B}_s \rightarrow D_s \ell \bar{\nu}$  form factors  
(unquenched QCD + non perturbative renormalization)
  - ▶ Computation of  $\mathcal{G}_s(1) : 1.059(47)$
  - ▶ Study of  $F_0/F_+$  and  $F_T/F_+$  near the zero recoil limit :
    - First LQCD determination of  $F_T/F_+$
    - Discussion of physics beyond the SM
  - ▶ Interpolation to the bottom quark region using ratios of physical quantities
- Follow the same strategy to compute  $\mathcal{F}(1)$  from  $B_{(s)} \rightarrow D_{(s)}^*$  data

Thanks

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$$\Sigma_3(1) = \mathcal{G}_s(1, m_h^{(4)}) / \mathcal{G}_s(1, m_h^{(3)})$$



○ for  $\beta = 3.80$

□ for  $\beta = 3.90$  ( $24^3$ )

■ for  $\beta = 3.90$  ( $32^3$ )

● for  $\beta = 4.05$

▷ for  $\beta = 4.20$

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$\beta$	$(L/a, T/a)$	$a\mu_\ell$	$a\mu_s$	$a\mu_h$
3.80	(24, 48)	0.0080, 0.0110	0.0194	0.2331, 0.2742, 0.3225, 0.3793, 0.4461, 0.5246, 0.6170, 0.7257, 0.8536, 1.0040
3.90	(32, 64)	0.0030, 0.0040	0.0177	0.2150, 0.2529, 0.2974, 0.3498, 0.4114, 0.4839, 0.5691, 0.6694, 0.7873, 0.9260
	(24, 48)	0.0040, 0.0064 0.0085, 0.0100		
4.05	(32, 64)	0.0030, 0.0080	0.0154	0.1849, 0.2175, 0.2558, 0.3008, 0.3538, 0.4162, 0.4895, 0.5757, 0.6771, 0.7963
4.20	(48, 96)	0.0020	0.0129	0.1566, 0.1842, 0.2166, 0.2548, 0.2997, 0.3525, 0.4145, 0.4876, 0.5734, 0.6745
	(32, 64)	0.0065		

$\beta$	3.80	3.90	4.05	4.20
$Z_V$	0.5816(2)	0.6103(3)	0.6451(3)	0.686(1)
$Z_A$	0.746(11)	0.746(6)	0.772(6)	0.780(6)
$Z_T$	0.73(2)	0.750(9)	0.798(7)	0.822(4)
$a$ (fm)	0.098(3)	0.085(3)	0.067(2)	0.054(1)

$w (q_{B_s \rightarrow D_s}^2) [\text{GeV}^2]$	$\mathcal{G}_s(w)_{\beta_s^{(i)} \neq 0}$	$\mathcal{G}_s(w)_{\beta_s^{(i)} = 0}$
1. (11.54)	1.052(47)	1.073(17)
1.004 (11.46)	1.052(47)	1.075(16)
1.016 (11.20)	1.029(49)	1.063(15)
1.036 (10.79)	1.044(51)	1.034(17)
1.062 (10.23)	0.986(57)	1.004(20)

$$\frac{\mathcal{G}_s(w)}{\mathcal{G}_s(1)} = \left( \frac{2}{1+w} \right)^{2\rho^2} \quad \rho^2 = 1.2(8)(\beta_s^i \neq 0) \quad 1.1(3)(\beta_s^i = 0)$$

$$f_T(q^2, \mu) = \frac{c_T(\mu)}{c_T(\mu_0)} f_T(q^2, \mu_0)$$

where,

$$c_T^{\text{lo}}(\mu) = a_s(\mu)^{\gamma_0/\beta_0},$$

$$c_T^{\text{nlo}}(\mu) = c_T^{\text{lo}}(\mu) \left( 1 + \frac{\gamma_1\beta_0 - \gamma_0\beta_1}{\beta_0^2} a_s(\mu) \right),$$

$$c_T^{\text{nnlo}}(\mu) = c_T^{\text{nlo}}(\mu) + \frac{1}{2} c_T^{\text{lo}}(\mu) \left[ \left( \frac{\gamma_1\beta_0 - \gamma_0\beta_1}{\beta_0^2} \right)^2 + \frac{\gamma_2}{\beta_0} + \frac{\beta_1^2\gamma_0}{\beta_0^3} - \frac{\beta_1\gamma_1 + \beta_2\gamma_0}{\beta_0^2} \right] a_s(\mu)^2,$$