

Measurement of inclusive decay rates and lepton angle θ

Inclusive b -hadron decays $H_b \rightarrow X \mu^+ \mu^-$ with $H_b \in \{B^\pm, B^0, B_s, \Lambda_b, \dots\}$.

Fractions: $B^\pm \sim 30\%$, $B^0 \sim 30\%$, $B_s \sim 10\%$, $\Lambda_b \sim 20\%$, rest – small.

Theory: $\Gamma(H_b \rightarrow X \mu^+ \mu^-) = \Gamma(b \rightarrow X^p \mu^+ \mu^-) + \Delta\Gamma^{\text{nonpert}}$.

Good news: $\Delta\Gamma^{\text{nonpert}}$ scales like $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{m_b^2}\right)$ when:

- Long-distance contributions from the four-quark operators are neglected [arXiv:0902.4446].
- One integrates over the lepton pair energy and angle for fixed q^2 . Integrating over the angle seems unavoidable when the H_b rest frame remains unknown.

Problems:

- Charm loops from four-quark operators at large q^2 ? At small q^2 with extra gluons?
- Need for cuts on lepton energy for small q^2 ? TH: Analogy to $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$, EXP: Frame?
- Backgrounds for large q^2 (e.g., semileptonic $b \rightarrow c$ followed by semileptonic $c \rightarrow s, d$)?
- Extra backgrounds for small q^2 (e.g., $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$ with BR at the $\sim 10^{-4}$ level)?
- EXP: Normalization?