Flavour anomalies

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Outline

Motivation Systematics of rare B decays New precision tests with Kaons and a new anomaly Summary

Why flavour physics?

After the Higgs discovery, the naturalness problem is a reality. But even natural new physics may lie beyond the LHC energy reach. ATLAS & CMS may point to that.

This places flavour (and precision Higgs) at the centre of the quest for physics beyond the Standard Model

Natural BSM models tend to be flavourful, eg SUSY:



Unprecedented statistics & interesting results from LHCb, with Belle2 rapidly approaching. Meanwhile, Kaons are making a comeback (NA62, KOTO, theory).

Semileptonic $\Delta B = \Delta S = 1$ Hamiltonian

SM top loops and BSM effects give **Wilson coefficients** multiplying **effective local interactions (operators)**

coefficient C₉ : dilepton from vector current (L=1)

$$Q_{9V} = \frac{\alpha_{\rm em}}{4\pi} (\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}b)(\bar{l}\gamma^{\mu}l)$$

C10 : dilepton from axial current (L=1 or 0)

$$Q_{10A} = \frac{\alpha_{\rm em}}{4\pi} (\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}b)(\bar{l}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^5 l)$$



- or leptoquarks

Crivellin et al; Gauld et al; ... Alonso-Grinstein-Martin Camalich; Hiller-Schmaltz; Allanach et al; Gripajos et al; ...

 C_7 : dilepton produced through photon (virtuality q², pole at q²=0)

$$Q_{7\gamma} = \frac{e}{16\pi^2} m_b \left(\bar{s}\sigma_{\mu\nu}P_R b\right) F^{\mu\nu}$$

- strongly constrained from inclusive b->s decay

BSM: also operators with opposite quark chiralities (C₉', C₁₀', C₇') C₉, C₁₀ can depend on the lepton flavour. Universal BSM effects in C₉ mimicked by a range of SM effects





Descotes-Genon et al; Altmannshofer et a



Semileptonic B decays



For spin-1 resonance (eg K*), $\lambda = \lambda' = 0$, +/-1

Observing Φ requires interference $A(\lambda_1) A(\lambda_2)^* \exp(i(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)\Phi)$. Good BSM probe.

B->K*II : dilepton mass spectrum



will mostly talk about this

B->K* $\mu^+\mu^-$ angular distribution

[S Cunliffe (LHCb), "LHCb Implications", 03/05/15]



Rare B decays

The tension can (and has been) attributed to the vector helicity amplitudes (involving vector lepton current).



It could be attributed to

- form factors V_{λ} , T_{λ} semileptonic/radiative Wilson coefficients C9 four-quark operators ("charm loop") SM uncertainty or
- **BSM** effect

Form factor relations

The heavy-quark limit is highly predictive both for form factor ratios and for virtual-charm effects, for instance: Charles et al 1999

Charles et al 1999 Beneke, Feldmann 2000 Beneke, Feldmann, Seidel 2001-4

$$\frac{T_{-}(q^{2})}{V_{-}(q^{2})} = 1 + \frac{\alpha_{s}}{4\pi}C_{F}\left[\ln\frac{m_{b}^{2}}{\mu^{2}} - L\right] + \frac{\alpha_{s}}{4\pi}C_{F}\frac{1}{2}\frac{\Delta F_{\perp}}{V_{-}} \quad \text{where} \quad L = -\frac{2E}{m_{B}-2E}\ln\frac{2E}{m_{B}}$$
"spectator scattering":
mainly dependent on B
meson LCDA
but \mathbf{a}_{s} suppressed

- Eliminates form factor dependence from some observables (eg P₂' and zero of A_{FB}) almost completely, up to //m_b power corrections Descotes-Genon, Hofer, Matias, Virto

- pure HQ limit: $T_{-}(0)/V_{-}(0) \sim 1.05 > 1$ Beneke,Feldmann 2000
- compare to: $T_{-}(0)/V_{-}(0) = 0.94 + 0.04$ [D Straub, priv comm based on Bharucha, Straub, Zwicky 1503.05534] light-cone sum rule computation with correlated parameter variations. Difference consistent with Λ/m_b power correction; remarkable 5% error

Forward-backward asymmetry

blue line: pure heavy-quark limit, **no power corrections**

light blue: "68% Gaussian" theory error (including power corrections) pink: full scan over all theory errors

Surprising that pure HQ limit appears to -0.5 agree reasonably well with data !

LHCb Moriond 2015 (3 fb⁻¹) downward shift of A_{FB} relative to LCSR-based prediction (Bharucha, Straub, Zwicky 2015)

Such a shift is largely equivalent to a **rightward shift** of the zero crossing.

Zero crossing in LCSR has been significantly lower than heavy-quark limit for many years (as low as <3 GeV²)

Experiment has reached a point where "clean" observables depend crucially on form factors

Angular observable P_5 ' sJ, Martin Camalich, preliminary

For Gaussian errors [corresponding to what most authors employ], there is a noticeable deviation in a single bin; but also here less drastic than with LCSR-based theory

NB – P5' depends on a second, independent heavy-quark relation, with independent (and unknown) power corrections: inherently less clean than AFB zero (or P2')

Nonlocal term / charm loop

$$H_{V}(\lambda) \propto \tilde{V}_{\lambda}(q^{2})C_{9} - V_{-\lambda}(q^{2})C_{9}' + \frac{2m_{b}m_{B}}{q^{2}} \left(\tilde{T}_{\lambda}(q^{2})C_{7} - \tilde{T}_{-\lambda}(q^{2})C_{7}'\right) \left[\frac{16\pi^{2}m_{B}^{2}}{q^{2}}h_{\lambda}(q^{2})\right]$$

+ strong interactions:

more properly:

$$rac{e^2}{q^2}L_V^\mu a_\mu^{
m had} ~= -irac{e^2}{q^2}\int d^4x e^{-iq\cdot x} \langle \ell^+\ell^-|j_\mu^{
m em,lept}(x)|0
angle \int d^4y \, e^{iq\cdot y} \langle M|j^{
m em,bad,\mu}(y) \mathcal{H}_{
m eff}^{
m bad}(0)|ar{B}
angle ~.$$

$${}^q_{\lambda} \equiv rac{i}{m_B^2} \epsilon^{\mu st} (\lambda) a_\mu^{
m had}$$

nonlocal, nonperturbative, large normalisation (V_{cb}^{*} V_{cs} C₂)

traditional•"ad hoc fix" : $C_9 \rightarrow C_9 + Y(q^2) = C_9^{eff}(q^2)$, "taking into account the charm loop" $C_7 \rightarrow C_7^{eff}$

- * for C7^{eff} this seems ok at lowest order (pure UV effect; scheme independence)
- * for C₉^{eff} amounts to factorisation of scales ~ m_b (, m_c , q^2) and Λ (soft QCD)
- * not justified in large-N limit (broken already at leading logarithmic order) * what about QCD corrections?

* not a priori clear whether this even gets one closer to the true result!

only known justification is a heavy-quark expansion in Λ/m_b (just like inclusive decay is treated !)

Beneke, Feldmann, Seidel 2001, 2004

High-q² region (sketch)

- spectator scattering mechanism power-suppressed
- above open-charm (and perturbative-charm) thresholds
- - however, for $q^2 >> 4m_c^2$, OPE at amplitude level

Grinstein, Pirjol 2004; Beylich, Buchalla, Feldmann 2011

Duality violation (≡ error beyond OPE) - expected on general grounds for OPE above threshold

- pronounced resonant structure observed^{ov et al; Shifman 1990's)}
- - difficult to quantify uncertainty due to the

 - like in low-q², probably best to stay away from the charm threshold region in looking for new physics
 Beylich, Buchalla, Feldmann 2011 (Chibisov et al; Shifman 1990's)

 - on the other hand, it has been suggested that the strong resonant features could point to BSM in b->c c s transition. Lyon, Zwicky 2013

BSM in charm?

A largely unexplored idea.

Operators with charm give correlated effects in mixing and rare decays. Schematically:

Both can be studied in heavy-quark expansion

(SJ, Kirk, Lenz, Leslie, w.i.p.)

Kaons strike back!

Kaons are where much of the SM structure was first discovered.

1956-57 parity violation V-A structure of weak interactions

- 1964 CP violation third generation (1973 Kobayashi-Maskawa)
- 1970 *charm quark to explain* K->mu mu non-observation

1974 successful application of the naturalness argument (Gaillard&Lee: upper bound on charm quark mass from its contribution to K-Kbar mixing)

Direct CP violation in K_L-> $\pi\pi$

There has been a precision measurement for a decade:

$$\begin{split} & \left(\varepsilon'/\varepsilon\right)_{\exp} = \left(16.6 \pm 2.3\right) \times 10^{-4} & \text{average of NA48} \\ & \left|\frac{\eta_{00}}{\eta_{+-}}\right|^2 \simeq 1 - 6 \operatorname{Re}(\frac{\varepsilon'}{\varepsilon}) \\ & \eta_{00} = \frac{A(K_{\mathrm{L}} \to \pi^0 \pi^0)}{A(K_{\mathrm{S}} \to \pi^0 \pi^0)}, \qquad \eta_{+-} = \frac{A(K_{\mathrm{L}} \to \pi^+ \pi^-)}{A(K_{\mathrm{S}} \to \pi^+ \pi^-)} \end{split}$$

(magnitudes directly measurable from decay rates)

Even more precise measurement possible in principle at NA62/CERN

Theoretically very complicated multi-scale problem (weak scale, charm, QCD scale). Weak and charm scales to NLO in 1990s

QCD scale limiting theory accuracy to O(100%) until recently. Finally under quantitative control in 2015 (RBC-UKQCD)

Isospin limit

It is useful to formulate the problem in terms of isospin (as opposed to charge) final states.

Defining $A_I \equiv \langle (\pi \pi)_I | \mathcal{H}_{eff} | K \rangle$ and $\langle Q_i \rangle_I \equiv \langle (\pi \pi)_I | Q_i | K \rangle, \qquad I = 0, 2$

One has

$$\frac{\varepsilon'}{\varepsilon} = -\frac{\omega_+}{\sqrt{2}|\varepsilon_K|} \left[\frac{\mathrm{Im}A_0}{\mathrm{Re}A_0} \left(1 - \hat{\Omega}_{\mathrm{eff}}\right) - \frac{1}{a} \frac{\mathrm{Im}A_2}{\mathrm{Re}A_2} \right]$$

A small imaginary part on the l.h.s. has been neglected. In the isospin limit, A_2 is pure electroweak penguin.

Moreover, the strong (rescattering) phases for a given isospin all coincide with the pi pi scattering phase shift (Watson's theorem). Broken by QED and $m_u \neq m_d$: parameters $\Omega_{\rm eff}, a, \omega_+$

Lattice progress

The decay amplitudes depend on 20 hadronic matrix elements (10 operators, 2 isospins). (4 vanish.)

Traditionally estimated with chiral Lagrangians, with considerable model dependence.

First direct lattice evaluation of matrix elements in 2015

RBC-UKQCD collab 1502.00263 (I=2)

RBC-UKQCD, 1505.07863v4 (I=0)

Many conceptual obstacles needed to be overcome, such as computing strong phases in the Euclidean subtracting vacuum contribution (I=0 only) chiral symmetry properties essential

Direct evaluation of ε'/ε in isospin limit consistent with experiment at 2 sigma level. RBC-UKQCD, 1505.07863v4

A trick

An important simplification (in the 3-flavour theory, with the charm quark integrated out) is that Fierz identities and isospin imply for operators built from left-handed quarks, eg:

$$\langle Q_9 \rangle_2 = \langle Q_{10} \rangle_2 = \frac{3}{2} \langle Q_1 \rangle_2$$

The isospin-2 ratio depends essentially on a single ratio of hadronic matrix elements

$$\left(\frac{\mathrm{Im}A_2}{\mathrm{Re}A_2}\right)_{V-A} = \mathrm{Im}\tau \frac{3(y_9 + y_{10})}{2z_+} \qquad \left(\frac{\mathrm{Im}A_2}{\mathrm{Re}A_2}\right)_8 = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \mathrm{Im}\lambda_t \, y_8^{\mathrm{eff}} \frac{\langle Q_8 \rangle_2}{\mathrm{Re}A_2}$$
no nonperturbative input! Can take Re A2 from CP-avg rates Buras, Gorbahn, SJ, Jamin, arXiv:1507.06345

A similar argument shows that the isospin-0 ratio mainly depends on $\langle Q_6 \rangle_0$

Result

Combining all errors in quadrature,

$$(\varepsilon'/\varepsilon)_{\rm SM} = (1.9 \pm 4.5) \times 10^{-4}$$

Buras, Gorbahn, SJ, Jamin, arXiv:1507.06345

$$(\varepsilon'/\varepsilon)_{\rm exp} = (16.6 \pm 2.3) \times 10^{-4}$$

average of NA48 and KTeV

2.9 sigma discrepancy

New physics or underestimated error? (Cf B-anomalies)

The new theory result is quite consistent with old model estimates; the lattice corroborates these and gives for the first time a meaningful error estimates

Central values differ by order of magnitude, so a reduced theory error could potentially greatly enhance significance

Error budget and goals

Buras, Gorbahn, SJ, Jamin, arXiv:1507.06345

(still) completely dominated by $\langle Q_6
angle_0 \propto B_6^{1/2}$

all in units of 10⁻⁴

next steps:

improvement and independent confirmation of lattice (next few years)

NNLO bottom and charm thresholds proper factorisation of QED (&QCD) between short and long distance Cerda Sevilla, Gorbahn, SJ, Kokulu, wip Look for BSM explanations

Buras, DeFazio; Goertz et al; Buras; Tanimoto, Yamamoto; Kitahara, Nierste, Tremper; Hisano et al; Endo et al; ...

Summary

There are several anomalies in flavour physics, most of them in rare B decays.

I have focused on rare semileptonic decays. Attributing the anomalies to BSM effect requires knowledge of formfactor ratios to <10% accuracy in a range where they are not accessible from first principle. (In addition, there are uncertainties due to virtual charm.)

In Kaon physics, conceptual breakthroughs in lattice QCD put several observables on the verge of being precision SM tests.

One of them is the direct CP violation parameter ε'/ε showing a 2.9 sigma tension between SM and data.

BACKUP

NNLO calculation

Cerda Sevilla, Gorbahn, SJ, Kokulu, w.i.p

NNLO weak Hamiltonian only known above b mass (from B->Xs gamma)

require bottom and charm threshold matching and (less importantly) NNLO mixing of QCD into EW penguins

extend the formalism (including operator relations, hadronic matrix element ratios, etc) to 4-flavour theory.

Will eventually obviate the need for perturbation theory at the charm scale.

P reliminary results show small perturbative corrections

Isospin breaking

complicated, particularly QED effects (IR subtractions, real emission, lattice matching, ...)

- don't respect the two-amplitude structure
- violate Watson's theorem

Now conceptually understood on the lattice in QED perturbation theory. In practice need to

- define QED expansion of matrix element ratios
- carefully define&express observable at O(alpha).
- disentangle QED RG evolution from matrix element expansion, for matching short-distance and lattice

No more Ω_{eff} !

Scheme issues

Wilson coefficients depends on renormalisation scale (and scheme) Must be cancelled by a proper matrix element calculation.

Wilson coefficients calculated in dim. reg. – not on lattice!

Currently use of momentum-space schemes on lattice. **Conversion to MSbar more demanding than calculating the Wilson coefficient.** (The only existing NNLO calculation of this sort is for the light guark masses!)

Separating lattice and continuum parts of calculation is subtle in presence of operator mixing and QED corrections!