
Exploring non-factorisable contributions to charmless B-decays

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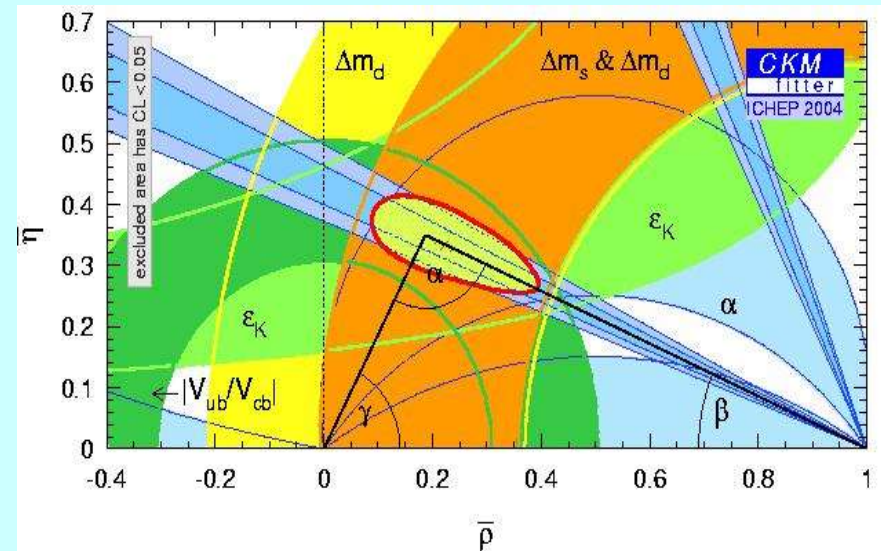
Introduction and motivation

- ★ B-factories are getting more and more data
- ★ CKM angles getting better and better constrained
- ★ However, some areas of the theory is not quite keeping up with the experimental improvements



There are still **discrepancies** over how to treat power-suppressed corrections to non-leptonic B-decays

$$B \rightarrow \pi \pi$$



Introduction and motivation

Why do we want to do this?

★ The $B \rightarrow \pi \pi$ system is well known experimentally

(3 branching ratios, 2 CP asymmetries)

★ Amplitudes are governed by isospin symmetry

→ **All** QCD parameters can be determined from experiment,
as a function of β, γ

★ We have analysed recent experimental data on $B \rightarrow \pi \pi$ decays

★ Use QCD Factorisation to estimate the factorisable contributions.....

.....and determine the level of non-factorisable, (power-suppressed)
contributions needed to reconcile theory ~ experiment

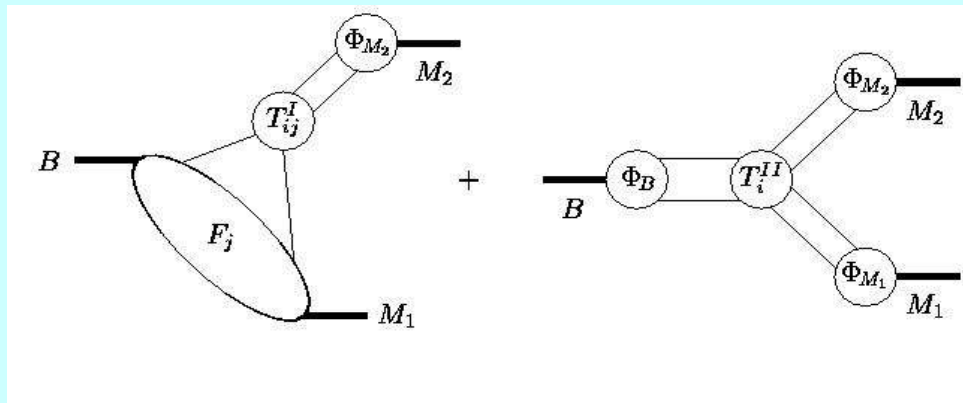
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QCD Factorisation

Theory framework – QCD Factorisation

$$\langle M_1 M_2 | Q_i | \bar{B} \rangle = \sum_{M_1, M_2} F_j^{B \rightarrow M_1} T_{ij}^I * f_{M_2} \Phi_{M_2} + T_i^{II} * f_B \Phi_B * f_{M_1} \Phi_{M_1} * f_{M_2} \Phi_{M_2} + O(1/m_b)$$

Beneke, Buchalla, Neubert, Sachrajda 1999

- ★ Can systematically compute matrix elements
- ★ Valid to 1-loop accuracy
- ★ Calculated in heavy-quark limit ($m_b \rightarrow \infty$) i.e, accurate to $O(1/m_b)$
 - ★ Calculable hard-scattering kernels T_{ij}^I, T_i^{II} known to $O(\alpha_s)$
 - ★ Non-perturbative quantities $F^{B \rightarrow M}, \Phi_M$



QCD Factorisation II – hadronic input

★ Form Factors $F^{B \rightarrow \pi}$

Results from lattice 0.23(2), 0.25(1)
QCD Sum rules 0.26

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★ Light-cone distribution amplitudes of light mesons

- describe low energy (hadronic) part of QCD process

$$\phi_{\pi}(u, \mu^2) = 6u(1-u) \left[1 + a_2(\mu^2) C_2^{3/2}(2u-1) + a_4(\mu^2) C_4^{3/2}(2u-1) + \dots \right]$$

Non-perturbative
Gegenbauer moments

Orthogonal polynomials in
quark momentum fraction, u

★ We use a resummed model of the DA which includes effects from higher order Gegenbauer moments, described by physical parameter Δ

Asymptotic wavefunctions described as $\Delta = 1$

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Non-factorisable contributions

We consider the power-suppressed corrections to charmless, strangeless B-decays

- ★ Wealth of data coming in from B-factories!
- ★ Split the decay amplitudes into isospin components (2 complex numbers)
- ★ Use QCDF approach to predict factorisable part of amplitude....
.....then fit the NF part to compare with the data

$B \rightarrow \pi \pi$

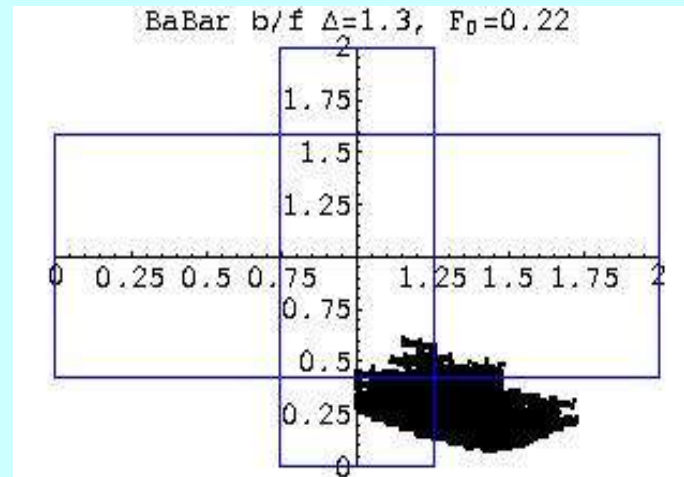
- ★ 3 branching ratios and 2 CP asymmetries --- data from BaBar, Belle and HFAG averages
- ★ Input parameters: Form factor, Δ (for pion wavefunction)
CKM angles α, β, γ , $R_u = \sqrt{\bar{\rho}^2 + \bar{\eta}^2}$
- ★ We find the “optimum” set of inputs to give best th/exp agreement

Non-factorisable contributions to $B \rightarrow \pi \pi$

- ◆ “Naked” QCDF \longrightarrow 4σ deviation from experiment
- ◆ “Dressed” QCDF \longrightarrow Varying input parameters and add non-factorisable (NF) corrections

Expected 20% NF correction:

- ★ Belle result does not agree within 3σ
- ★ BaBar results approach agreement to 2σ



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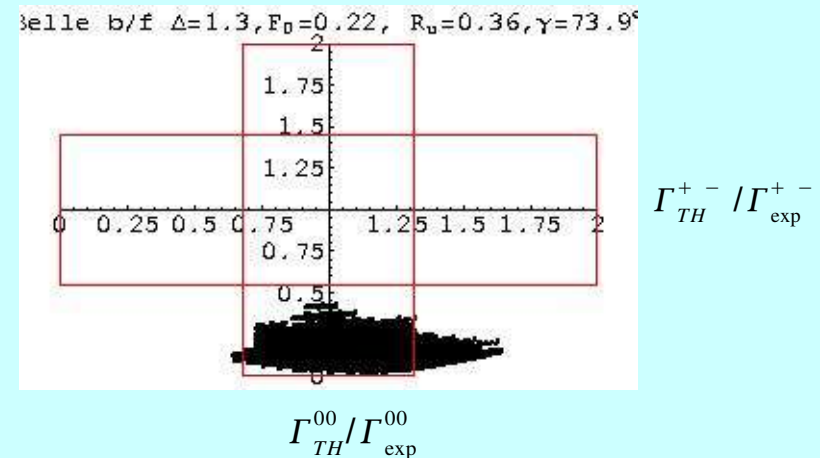
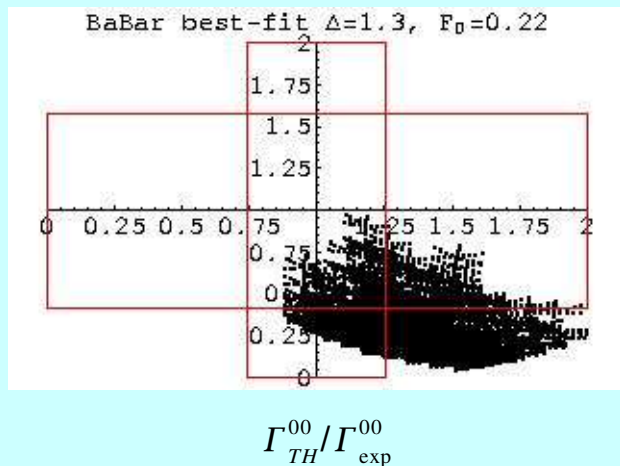
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Limit 30% NF correction:

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- ★ BaBar results agree to 2σ



Conclusions – what can we learn from this?

- ★ QCD Factorisation cannot be blindly relied upon
- ★ Predictions must take into account large non-factorisable corrections
- ★ New experimental data may improve the theory~exp agreement.....

.....but if the central values remain, while the error improves, the discrepancies could be up to 8σ !

→ Breakdown of factorisation? Charming penguins? New physics?

This problem needs to be addressed soon!!

What does BaBar say?!

- ★ Next step is application to $B \rightarrow K \pi$:

Calculate leading terms in QCDF including SU(3) breaking

Use NF terms from $B \rightarrow \pi \pi$ (assuming SU(3) symmetry)

→ better agreement with data?

Stay Tuned!

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