

# Teorii efective pentru interactiile tari in fizica cuarcilor grei

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# Outline

- Effective field theories for strong and weak interactions
- Heavy quark effective theory (HQET)
- Large recoil: Soft-Collinear Effective Theory
- Introduction to SCET
  - Formalism
  - Factorization relations for exclusive B decays

# Effective field theories

The weak and strong interactions of the SM contain many disparate scales

The good success of the SM  $\rightarrow$  low energy predictions must be insensitive to the high-energy theory

## Effective theory approach:

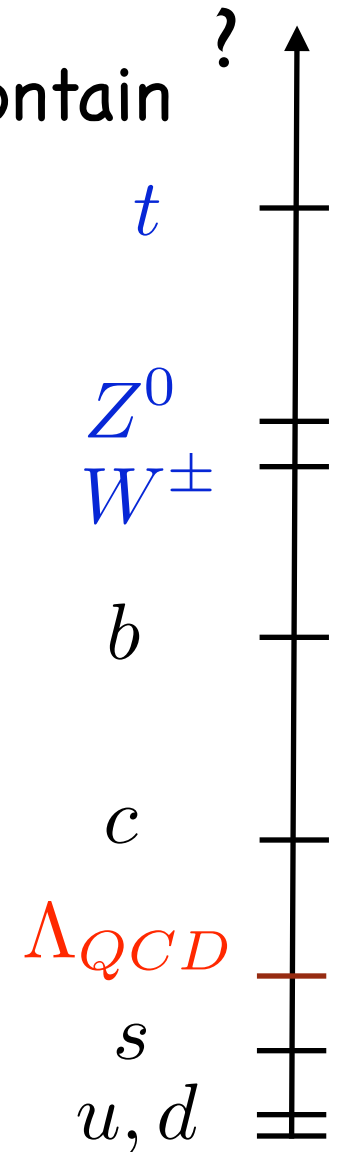
identify small expansion parameters.

- $m_{u,d,s,c,b} \ll m_{W,Z,t}$

- $\Lambda_{QCD}/m_{b,c} \ll 1$

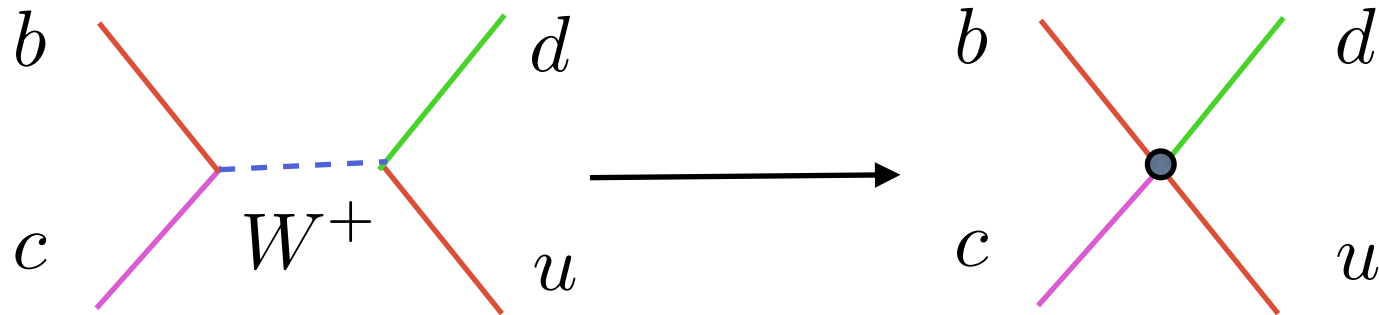
Effective theory of weak interactions

Heavy quark effective theory



# Weak interactions

Fermi 4-quark interaction



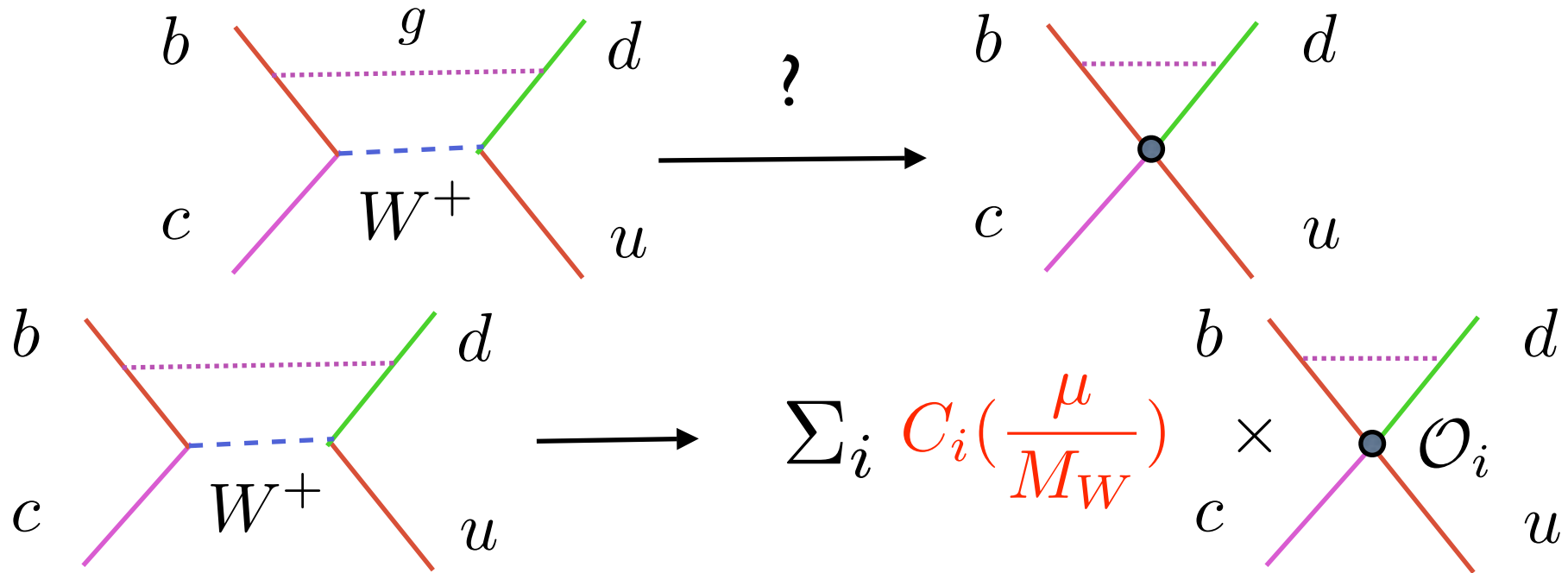
$$A = [\bar{d}\gamma_\mu P_L u] \frac{g^2}{M_W^2 - q^2} [\bar{c}\gamma^\mu P_L b] \rightarrow \frac{g^2}{M_W^2} [\bar{d}\gamma_\mu P_L u] [\bar{c}\gamma^\mu P_L b] + O(p_q^2/M_W^2)$$

Local interaction

$$G_F = \frac{g^2}{M_W^2} \quad \text{Fermi constant}$$

# Radiative corrections

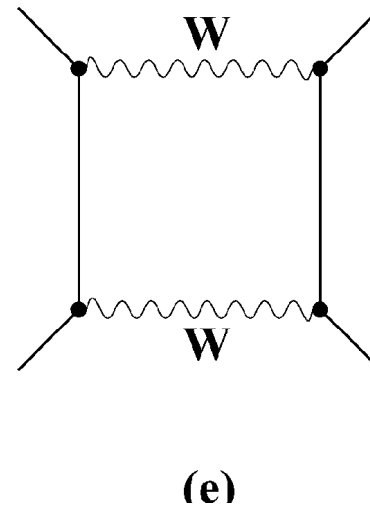
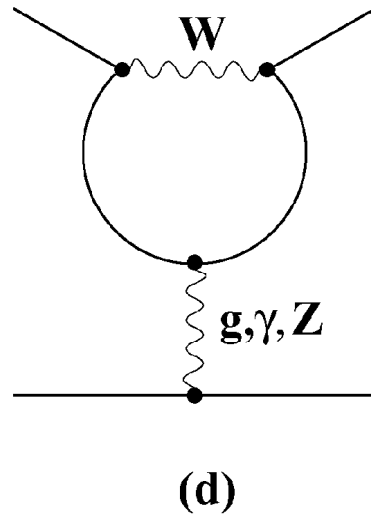
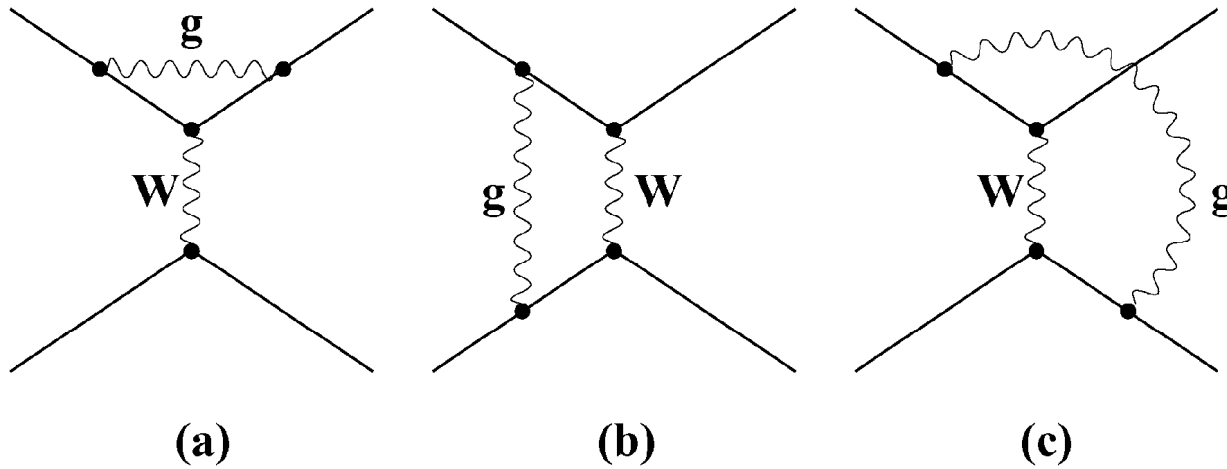
Does this picture survive the introduction of radiative corrections?



$C(\mu/M_W)$  = Wilson coefficient containing the contributions of the hard loop momenta

Can be computed in perturbation theory at any order in  $\alpha_s(M_W)$   $\longrightarrow$  Matching

# Typical diagrams contributing to matching beyond tree level



Multiple operators  $O_i$  are induced in the low energy theory through radiative corrections  
The complete set of operators contains the most general local operators satisfying the conditions:

- leading order in power counting (dimension-6)
- have the correct transformation properties under the symmetries of the theory (parity, isospin, chirality)

$$\mathcal{H}_W = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{ud}^* \{ C_1(\mu) [\bar{c} \gamma_\mu P_L b] [\bar{d} \gamma^\mu P_L u] + C_2(\mu) (\bar{d} \gamma_\mu P_L b) [\bar{c} \gamma^\mu P_L u] \}$$

Complete effective weak Hamiltonian for  $b \rightarrow cd\bar{u}$  decays

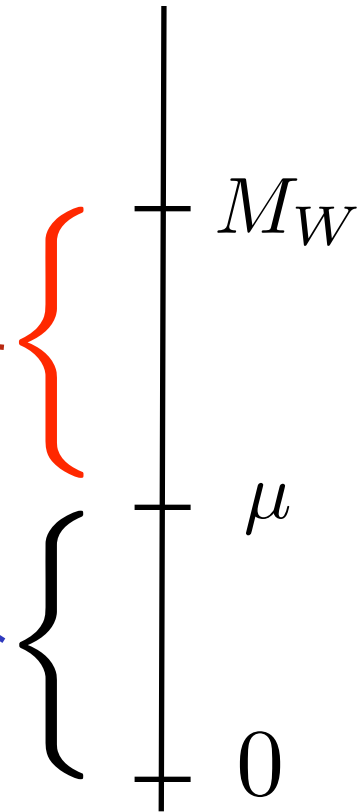
# Renormalization group evolution

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{\text{QCD}} \rangle = \sum_i C_i \left( \frac{\mu}{m_W} \right) \langle \mathcal{O}_{\text{eff}}^i \rangle + O\left( \frac{m_q}{m_W} \right)$$

power-suppressed terms

The effective theory operators reproduce the IR behaviour of the full theory (Standard Model)

The dependence on the hard scale  $M_W$  is fixed by renormalization group methods



$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \mathcal{O} = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} C_i \left( \frac{\mu}{M_W} \right) = -\gamma_{ji}(\alpha_s) C_j \left( \frac{\mu}{M_W} \right)$$

$\gamma_{ji}(\alpha_s)$  = anomalous dimension matrix of the operators  $\mathcal{O}_i$



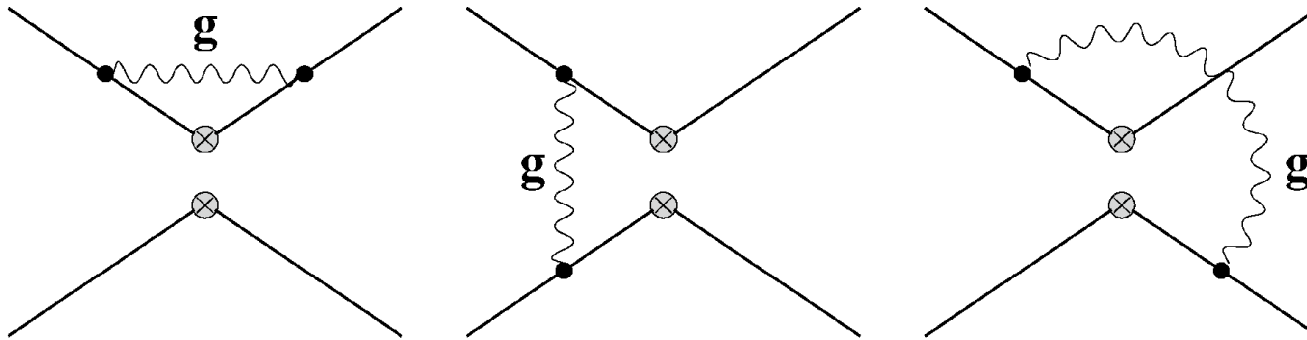
# Leading log evolution for the $b \rightarrow cd\bar{u}$ effective Hamiltonian

## Operator basis

$$\mathcal{O}_1 = (\bar{c}b)_{V-A}(\bar{d}u)_{V-A}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_2 = (\bar{c}T^a b)_{V-A}(\bar{d}T^a u)_{V-A}$$

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \begin{pmatrix} c_1(\mu) \\ c_2(\mu) \end{pmatrix} = -\gamma^T \begin{pmatrix} c_1(\mu) \\ c_2(\mu) \end{pmatrix} \quad \gamma^T = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{4}{3} \\ -6 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$c_1(\mu) = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\alpha_s(M_W)} \right)^{12/23} + \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\alpha_s(M_W)} \right)^{-6/23} = 1.12$$

$$c_2(\mu) = - \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\alpha_s(M_W)} \right)^{12/23} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\alpha_s(M_W)} \right)^{-6/23} = -0.08$$

$(\mu = 4.2 \text{ GeV})$

# General electroweak Hamiltonian

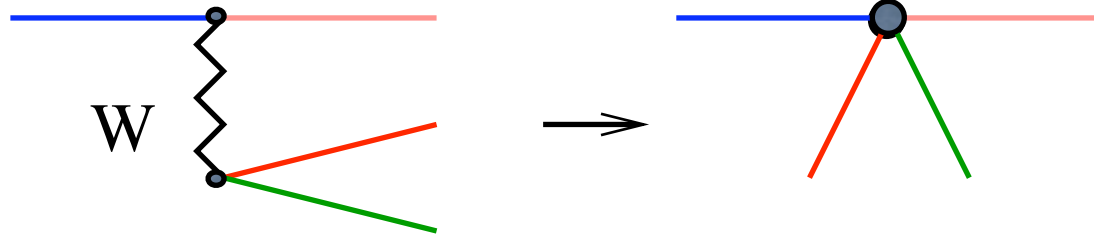
$$\mathcal{H}_W = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_i \lambda_{CKM}^{(i)} C_i(\mu) O_i$$

Integrate out the top and W

Tree operators

$$O_1^u = (\bar{u}b)_{V-A} (\bar{d}u)_{V-A}$$

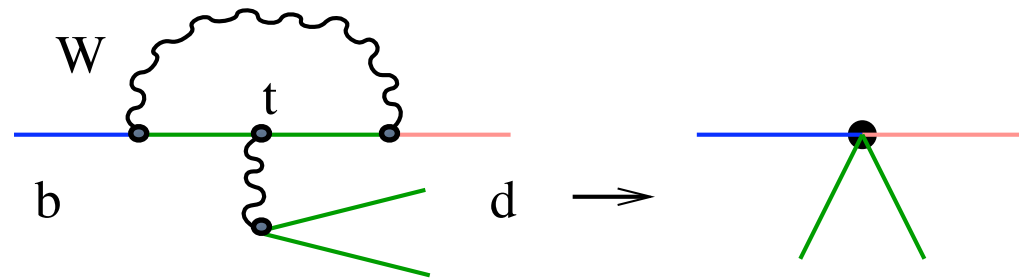
$$O_2^u = (\bar{u}_i b_j)_{V-A} (\bar{d}_j u_i)_{V-A}$$



Penguin operators

$$O_{3-6} = (\bar{d}b)_{V-A} \sum (\bar{q}q)_{V\pm A}$$

$$O_{7-10} = (\bar{d}b)_{V-A} \sum_q e_q (\bar{q}q)_{V\pm A}$$



Now known at NNLO

+ new physics contributions...

Gorbahn, Haisch - hep-ph/0411071

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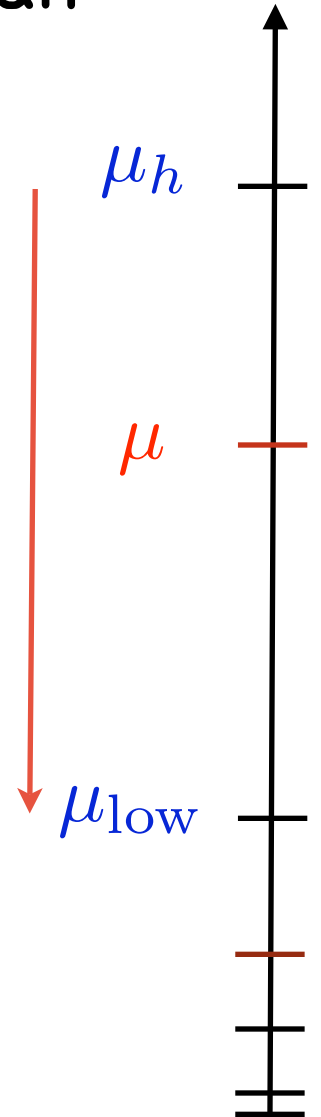
# Effective theories - summary

In the presence of widely separated scales  $\mu_h \gg \mu_{\text{low}}$  the effects of loop momenta in this range can be accounted for using an effective theory

1. integrate out the degrees of freedom associated with the hard scale  $\mu_h$

$$\mathcal{H}_{eff} = \sum_i C_i \left( \frac{\mu}{\mu_h} \right) \mathcal{O}_i + \dots$$

2. matching at  $\mu = \mu_h$  gives  $C_i(1)$
3. Solve the RGE for the Wilson coeffs
4. repeat as many times as necessary



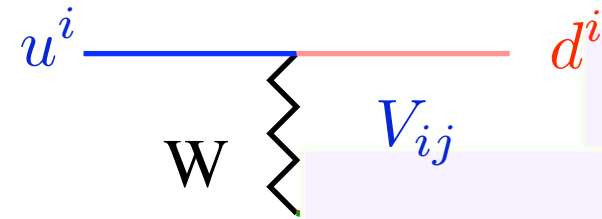
# Effective theories for heavy quark physics

# Heavy flavor decays



- Bound states of b and light quarks
  - mesons  $(B^-, B^0, B_s)$
  - baryons  $(\Lambda_b, \Xi_b^-, \Xi_b^0)$
- Heaviest stable bound states in QCD ( $\geq 5.28$  GeV)
- Rich spectrum, many decay channels
- Important source of information about CP violation, CKM parameters, new physics

# CKM matrix



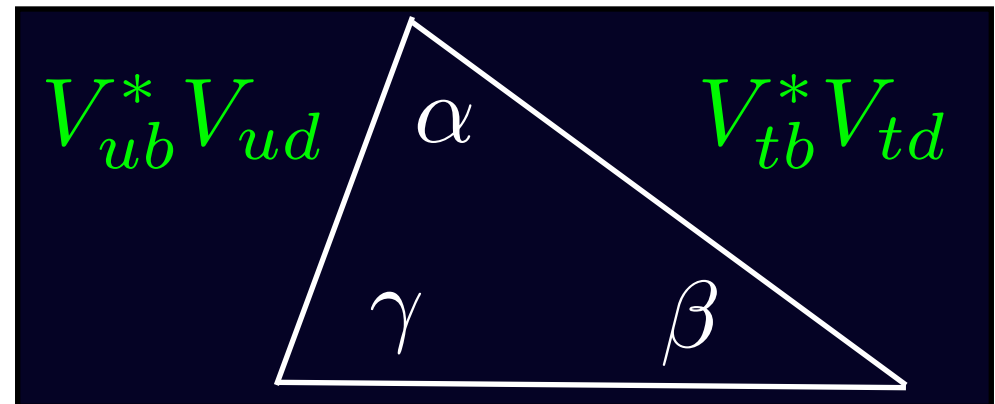
Parameterizes the strength of the charged weak couplings in the Standard model

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 0.975 & 0.221 & 0.003 \\ 0.221 & 0.975 & 0.040 \\ 0.005 & 0.040 & 1.000 \end{pmatrix}$$

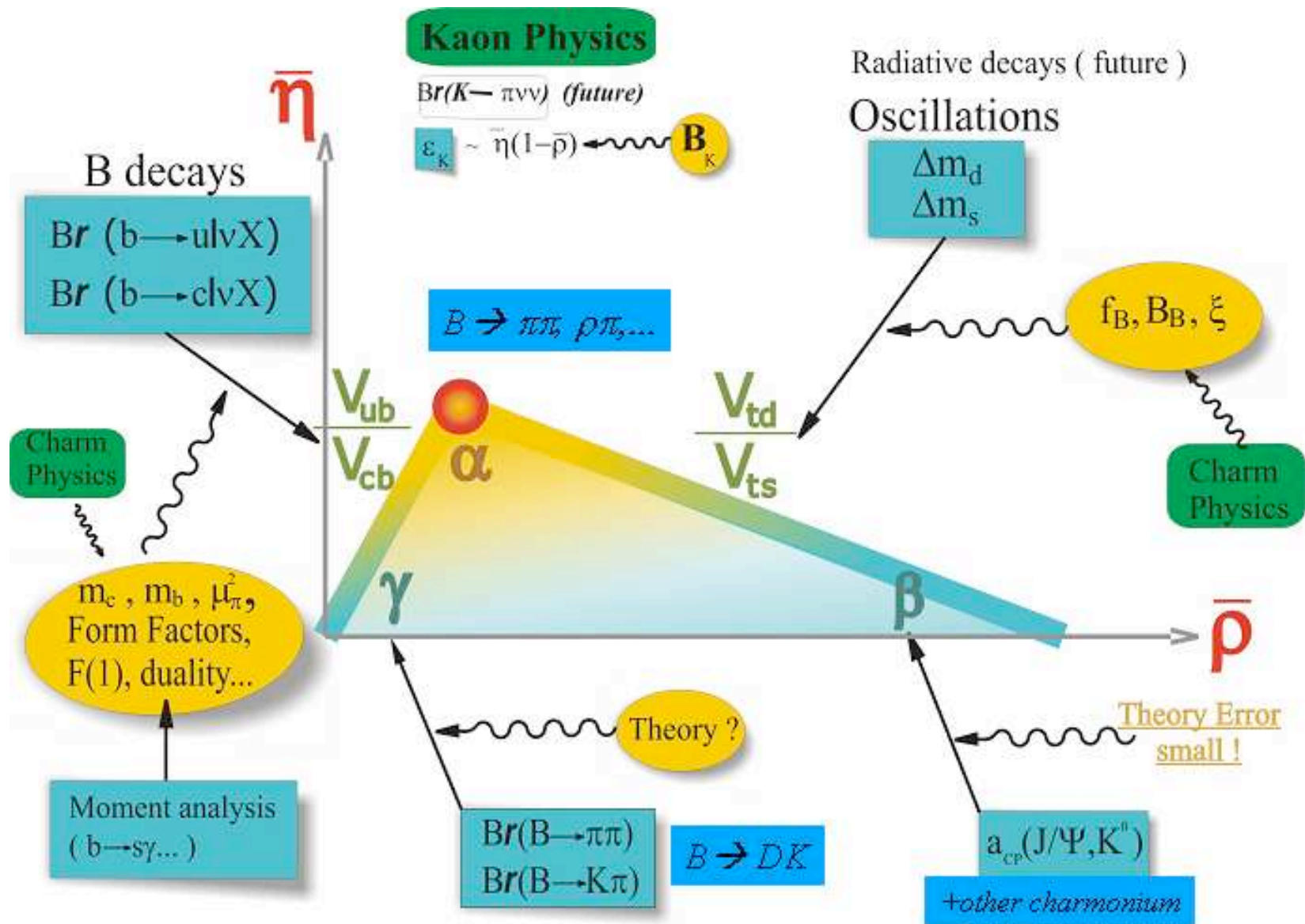
Experimental information about the smallest entries can be summarized by the unitarity relation

$$V_{ub}^* V_{ud} + V_{cb}^* V_{cd} + V_{tb}^* V_{td} = 0$$

Unitarity triangle



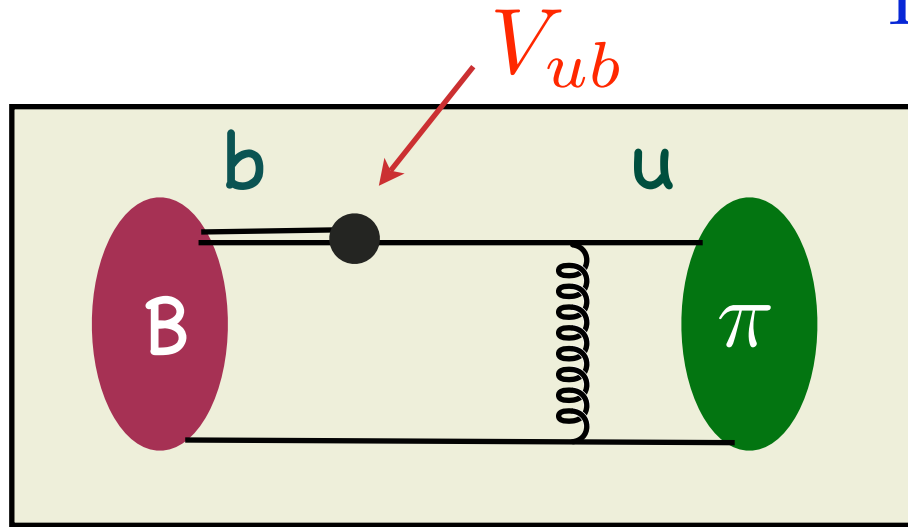
# Constraining the CKM triangle with B decays



# Weak semileptonic $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \bar{\nu}$ decays

- Mediated by the heavy-to-light current

$$\Gamma_\mu = \bar{u} \gamma_\mu P_L b$$



- Parameterized by two form factors

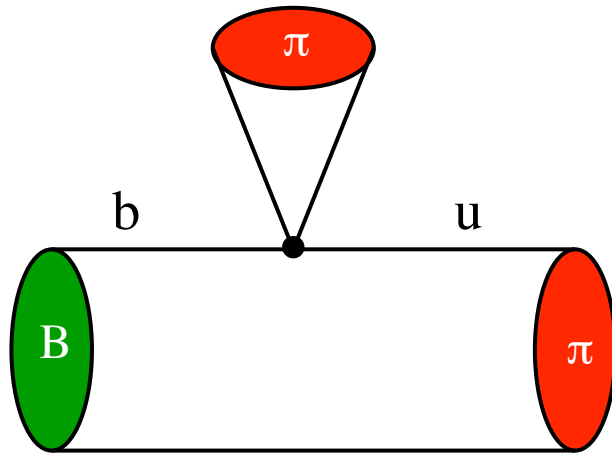
$$\langle \pi(p') | \bar{u} \gamma_\mu P_L b | \bar{B}(p) \rangle = f_+(q^2) (p + p')_\mu + f_-(q^2) (p - p')_\mu$$

$f_\pm(q^2)$  depend on hadronic dynamics (QCD)

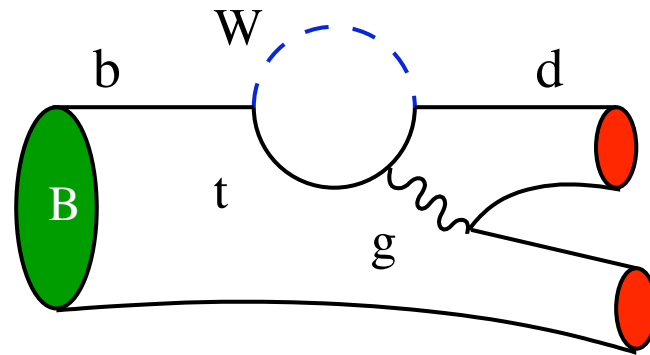


# Nonleptonic B decays

Examples:  $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ ,  $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$



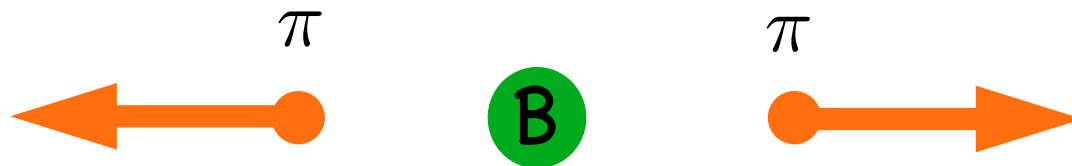
''Tree''



''Penguin''



## Kinematics



$$p_\pi \sim m_B/2 \sim 2.6 \text{ GeV} \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$$

# Strong interaction effects

Weak interactions of quarks take place inside hadrons → need to account for strong interaction nonperturbative effects

$$\langle M_1 M_2 | \mathcal{H}_{EW} | \bar{B} \rangle = ?$$

Controlling these effects is a central part of SM physics

- Lattice QCD
- Exploit symmetries of QCD:
  - flavor SU(3)
  - chiral symmetry
  - heavy quark symmetry
- Factorization theorems of hard QCD

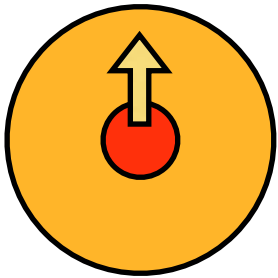


Effective field theories

Recent progress from Soft-Collinear Effective Theory

# Energy scales in B physics

Heavy quarks interacting with soft quarks and gluons



Relevant energy scales:  $\Lambda \sim 500 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $m_b \sim 4.6 \text{ GeV}$

1. Small expansion parameter  $\Lambda/m_b \sim 0.1$
2. Symmetries at leading order in  $\Lambda/m_b$

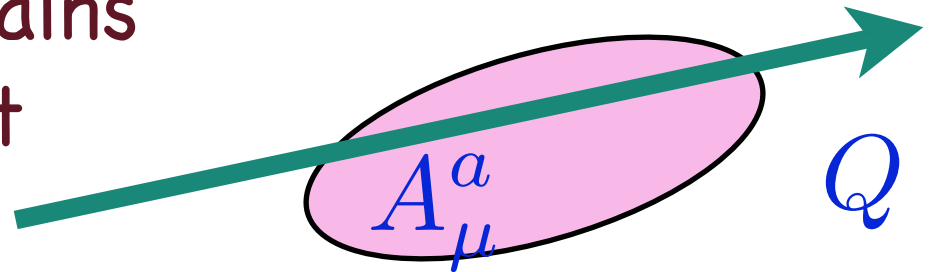
HQET = the appropriate effective theory

# Scales in HQET

Heavy quark interacting with soft gluon fields

The quark momentum contains a large fixed component

$$p = m_b v + \underbrace{k}_{\text{Label}} \text{ Residual momentum}$$



$$Q(x) = e^{-im_Q v \cdot x} h(x)$$

Modes	$k$	Fields
Hard	$m_b$	—
Soft	$\Lambda$	$h_v$ $q$

# HQET for a static quark

Take the heavy quark mass to infinity  $\rightarrow$  static limit

The heavy quark acts like a fixed source of color field

Propagator  $S(p) = i \frac{\not{p} + m_b}{p^2 - m_b^2}$

$$p = m_b v + k$$

$$S(p) = i \frac{m_b \not{v} + \not{k} + m_b}{(m_b v + k)^2 - m_b^2} = \frac{i}{v \cdot k} \frac{1 + \not{v} \not{k}}{2} + O(k/m_b)$$

The heavy quark mass has disappeared!

This is the propagator corresponding to the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{h} v \cdot i D h \quad \text{Leading order HQET Lagrangian}$$

# HQET Lagrangian

Split the heavy quark field  $Q$  into 'large' and 'small' components with respect to velocity  $v$

$$Q(x) = e^{-im_Q v \cdot x} h^{(+)} + e^{im_Q v \cdot x} h^{(-)} \quad \not{v} h^{(\pm)} = \pm h^{(\pm)}$$

Apply a sequence of field transformations which decouples them - **Foldy-Wouthuysen transformation**

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{Q}(i\not{D} - m_Q)Q \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{HQET}[h^{(+)}] + \mathcal{L}_{HQET}[h^{(-)}]$$

$$Q(x) = e^{-im_Q v \cdot x} e^{\frac{1}{2m_Q} O_1^A} e^{\frac{1}{2m_Q^2} O_2^A} \dots h^{(+)} \\ + e^{im_Q v \cdot x} e^{\frac{1}{2m_Q} O_1^A} e^{\frac{1}{2m_Q^2} O_2^A} \dots h^{(-)}$$

HQET at first subleading order  $O_1^A = i\cancel{D}_\perp = i(\cancel{D} - \cancel{v}.D)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{HQET} = \underbrace{\bar{h}i\cancel{v}.Dh}_{\text{Leading order Lagrangian}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2m_Q}\bar{h}(iD)^2h}_{\text{Symmetry-breaking terms}} - \underbrace{\frac{g}{4m_Q}\bar{h}\sigma_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}h}_{\text{Symmetry-breaking terms}} + \dots$$

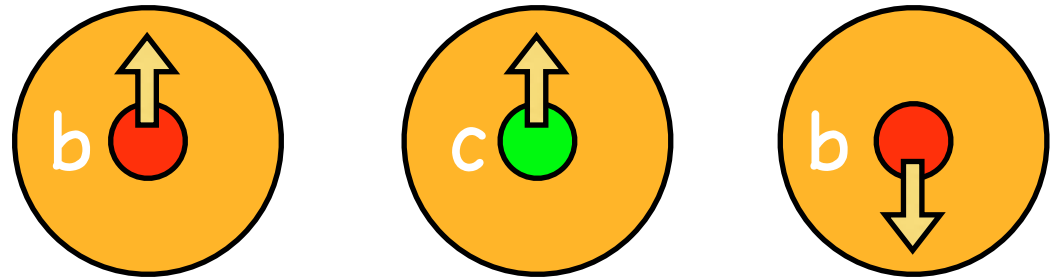
Including radiative corrections

Example: heavy-to-light current

$$\langle 0|\bar{q}\gamma_\mu\gamma_5 b|\bar{B}\rangle = \underbrace{C\left(\frac{\mu}{m_b}\right)}_{\text{Wilson coefficient}} \underbrace{\langle 0|\bar{q}\gamma_\mu\gamma_5 b_v|\bar{B}_v\rangle}_{\text{soft matrix element}} + O(\Lambda/m_b)$$

Wilson coefficient      soft matrix element

# HQET - symmetries



**Flavor symmetry:** the physics is independent on the heavy flavor: b vs. c

**Spin symmetry:** the heavy quark spin orientation is irrelevant



# HQET - formalism

The heavy mesons  $D, D^*$  form a spin doublet

$$j_\ell = \frac{1}{2}^- \rightarrow J^P = 0^-, 1^-$$

Combine them into a **superfield**

$$H^a = \frac{1 + \not{v}}{2} \left[ D_\mu^{a*} \gamma^\mu - D^a \gamma_5 \right]$$

Transforms as:  $H^a \rightarrow S H^a$  under spin symmetry  
 $H^a \rightarrow U_{ab} H^b$  under flavor symm.

Construct operators using only  $H$  having the same transformation properties as the original QCD operators

# Example: heavy-to-heavy decays

Semileptonic decays  $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell \Rightarrow |V_{cb}|$

Strong interaction effects - hadronic matrix elements

$$\langle D^{(*)}(v') | \bar{c} \Gamma b | \bar{B}(v) \rangle$$

Heavy quark symmetry prediction:

$$\langle D^{(*)}(v') | \bar{c} \Gamma b | \bar{B}(v) \rangle = \xi(v \cdot v') \text{Tr} [\bar{H}_{v'}^{(c)} \Gamma H_v^{(b)}] + O\left(\frac{\Lambda}{m_c}\right)$$

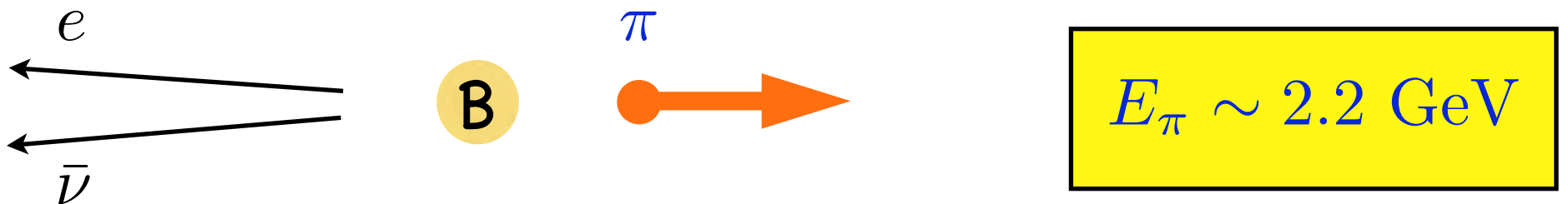
reduced matrix element  
= Isgur-Wise function

1 (B→D) + 4 (B→D\*) = 5 form factors fixed in terms of just one IW function

# Energetic hadrons

Construct a heavy-quark expansion for processes involving both soft and energetic light hadrons

**Example:** semileptonic  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \bar{\nu}$  decay at large recoil



Energy scales:

- Soft  $\Lambda \sim 500 \text{ MeV}$
- Hard  $m_b \sim 4.6 \text{ GeV}$
- Hard-collinear  $\sqrt{m_b \Lambda} \sim 1.4 \text{ GeV}$

# The soft-collinear effective theory (SCET)

- Systematic power counting in  $\Lambda/m_b$  implemented at the level of momenta, fields, operators
- Construct effective Lagrangians for strong and weak interactions expanded in  $\Lambda/m_b$
- Guiding principles: new symmetries – soft/collinear gauge invariance, reparameterization invariance
- Nonlocal operators and Lagrangians

# Soft-Collinear Effective Theory (formalism)

- Introducing the relevant modes
- Formal derivation of the SCET Lagrangian
- Power counting
- Collinear gauge invariance
- General procedure for constructing operators

# Light-cone geography

Light cone coordinates  $(x^0, x^1, x^2, x^3) \rightarrow (x_+, x_-, x_\perp)$

$$x_\pm = x^0 \pm x^3, \quad x_\perp = (x^1, x^2)$$

Light cone unit vectors

$$n^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 1)$$

$$\bar{n}^\mu = (1, 0, 0, -1)$$

vector projection

$$n \cdot n = 0$$

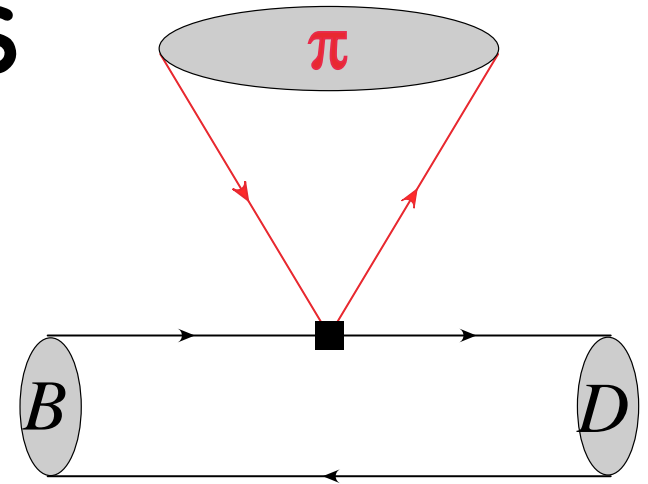
$$\bar{n} \cdot \bar{n} = 0$$

$$n \cdot \bar{n} = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_\mu &= \frac{1}{2} n \cdot x \bar{n}_\mu + \frac{1}{2} \bar{n} \cdot x n_\mu + x_\mu^\perp \\ &= \frac{1}{2} x_+ \bar{n}_\mu + \frac{1}{2} x_- n_\mu + x_\mu^\perp \end{aligned}$$

# SCET - Modes

Energetic quarks and leptons ->  
**collinear modes**



$$p_c = (p_+, p_-, p_\perp) \sim \left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{Q}, Q, \Lambda\right) = Q(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda)$$

Include also **soft quarks and gluons** with momenta

$$p_s = (p_+, p_-, p_\perp) \sim (\Lambda, \Lambda, \Lambda) = Q(\lambda, \lambda, \lambda)$$

Construct the effective theory as an expansion in  $\lambda^2 = \frac{\Lambda}{Q}$

# Fields and momentum scaling

Introduce quark and gluon fields for each relevant region of loop momenta

modes	field	$p_\mu \sim (+, -, \perp)$	$p^2$
hard	—	$(Q, Q, Q)$	$Q^2$
hard-collinear	$A_{n,q}, \xi_{n,p}$	$(\Lambda, Q, \sqrt{Q\Lambda})$	$\Lambda Q$
collinear	$A_{n,q}, \xi_{n,p}$	$(\Lambda^2/Q, Q, \Lambda)$	$\Lambda^2$
soft/ultrasoft	$A_s, q, b_v$	$(\Lambda, \Lambda, \Lambda)$	$\Lambda^2$

Can be perturbative/nonperturbative, depending on their virtuality



# Power counting

$$\lambda^2 = \frac{\Lambda}{Q}$$

Assign a power counting in  $\lambda$  to the effective theory fields such that the leading action is  $O(\lambda^0)$

$$S = i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}(x) \sim \lambda^{-4} \times (\lambda^4 + \lambda^5 + \dots)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} x_+ &\sim \lambda^0 \\ x_- &\sim \lambda^{-2} \\ x_\perp &\sim \lambda^{-1} \end{aligned}$$


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LO      NLO

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SCET}} = \bar{\xi}_{n,p} \frac{\not{n}}{2} \left[ \underbrace{in \cdot D_{us}}_{\lambda^2} + \underbrace{gn \cdot A_{n,q}}_{?} + (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp) \frac{1}{\underbrace{\bar{n} \cdot p + \bar{n} \cdot iD}_{\lambda^0}} (\not{p}_\perp + i\not{D}_\perp) \right] \xi_{n,p}$$

$\lambda$       ?       $\lambda$       ?       $\lambda$       ?

Covariant derivatives can act on the collinear gluon fields, producing large factors  $\sim Q$ .

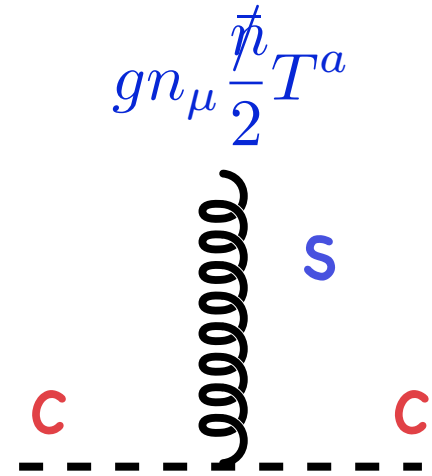
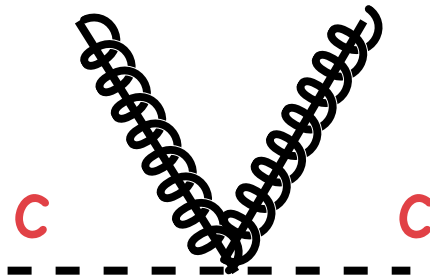
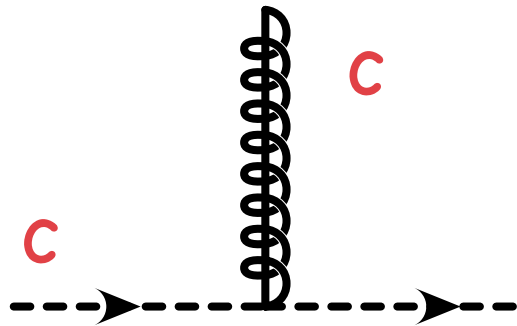
Redefine the collinear gluon field to make explicit all collinear momenta

$$A^{a\mu}(x) = e^{-iq \cdot x} A_{n,q}^{a\mu}(x)$$

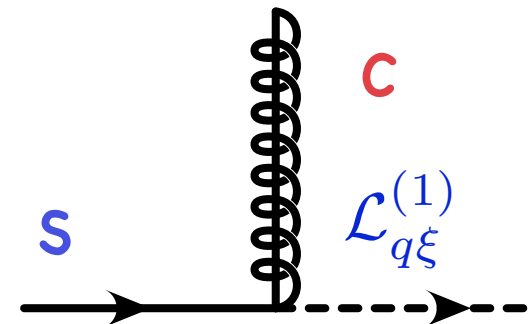
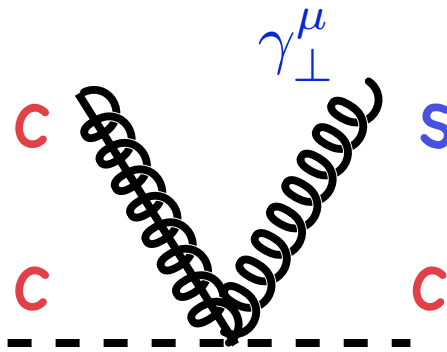
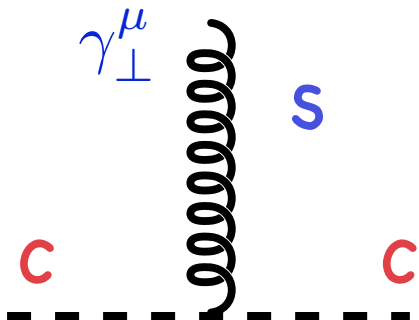
# The SCET Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SCET}} = \mathcal{L}^{(0)} + \mathcal{L}^{(1)} + \dots$$

$\mathcal{L}^{(0)}$  typical vertices:

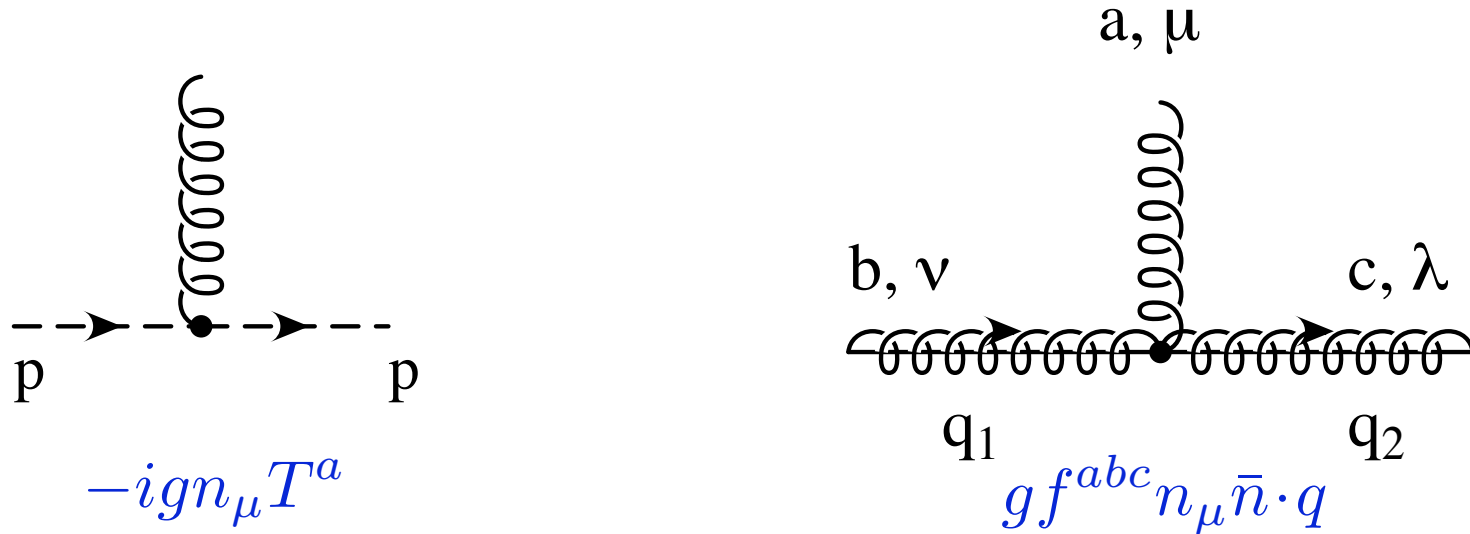


$\mathcal{L}^{(1)}$  allows also soft-collinear vertices, e.g.



# Soft-collinear factorization

Ultrasoft gluons have eikonal couplings to the collinear quarks and gluons at leading order in SCET.



These couplings can be absorbed to all orders into field redefinitions

$$\xi_n = Y[n \cdot A_{\text{us}}] \xi_n^{(0)} \quad A_n^\mu = Y[n \cdot A_{\text{us}}] A_n^{(0)\mu} Y^\dagger[n \cdot A_{\text{us}}]$$

where

$$Y[n \cdot A_{\text{us}}] = \text{---} \xrightarrow{p} \text{---} \begin{matrix} \mu_1, a_1 \\ \downarrow k_1 \\ \text{---} \end{matrix} \text{---} \begin{matrix} \mu_2, a_2 \\ \downarrow k_2 \\ \text{---} \end{matrix} \text{---} \dots \text{---} \begin{matrix} \mu_n, a_n \\ \downarrow k_n \\ \text{---} \end{matrix} \text{---} \otimes$$

$Y[n.A]$  is a Wilson line of the ultrasoft gluon field

$$Y(x) = P \exp \left( ig \int_{-\infty}^x d\lambda n \cdot A_{\text{us}}(\lambda n) \right)$$

Mathematical identity

$$n^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\mu} \left[ \exp \left( \int_{-\infty}^x d\lambda f(\lambda n) \right) \right] = f(x)$$

$\Rightarrow Y[n.A]$  satisfies the equation of motion

$$n \cdot iD_{\text{us}} Y(x) = (n \cdot i\partial + gn \cdot A_{\text{us}}) Y(x) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  The leading order SCET Lagrangian becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(0)} &= \bar{\xi}_{n,p} \frac{\not{n}}{2} \left[ in \cdot D_{\text{us}} + gn \cdot A_{n,q} + i\mathcal{D}_\perp \frac{1}{\bar{n} \cdot i\mathcal{D}} i\mathcal{D}_\perp \right] \xi_{n,p} \\ &= \bar{\xi}_{n,p}^{(0)} \frac{\not{n}}{2} \left[ in \cdot \partial + gn \cdot A_{n,q}^{(0)} + i\mathcal{D}_\perp^{(0)} \frac{1}{\bar{n} \cdot i\mathcal{D}^{(0)}} i\mathcal{D}_\perp^{(0)} \right] \xi_{n,p}^{(0)} \end{aligned}$$

## General result

$$\mathcal{L}[\xi_n, A_n^\mu, A_{\text{us}}^\mu] = \mathcal{L}[\xi_n^{(0)}, A_n^{(0)\mu}, 0]$$

The field redefinition removes all ultrasoft gluon couplings from the Lagrangian (at leading order) and shifts them into operators (currents, etc.)

**Example:** heavy-light current

$$\mathcal{J}(\omega) = [\bar{\xi}_n W]_\omega \Gamma b_v = [\bar{\xi}_n^{(0)} W^{(0)} Y_n^\dagger [n \cdot A_{\text{us}}]]_\omega \Gamma b_v$$

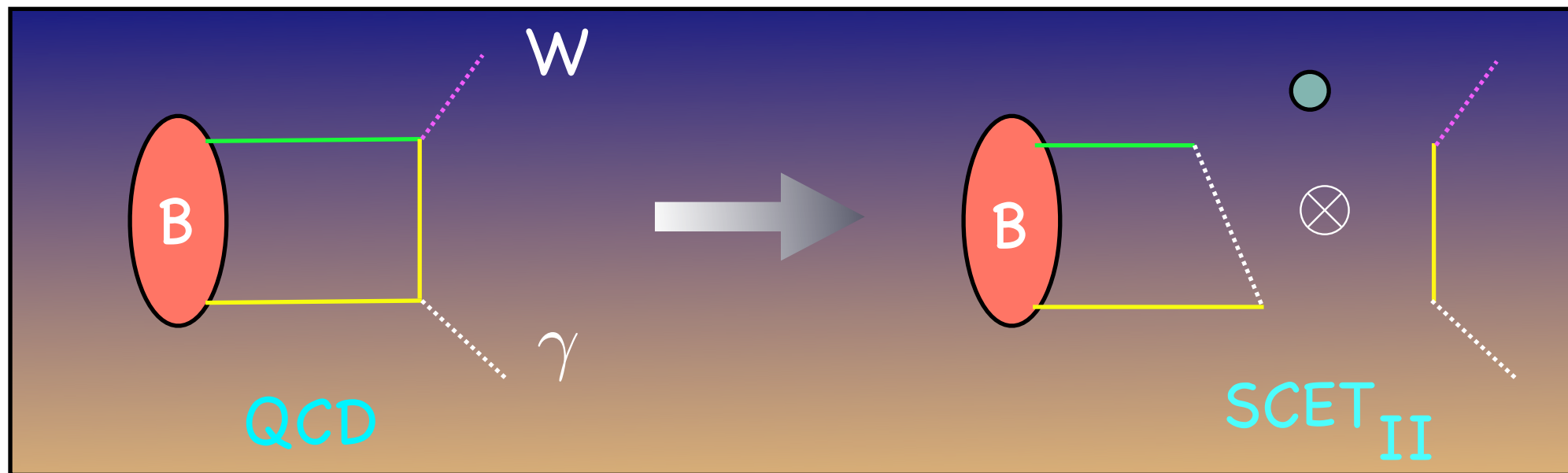
$\Rightarrow$  Simplifies all-orders factorization proofs

# Application

Factorization in radiative leptonic B decays

# Factorization in $B \rightarrow \gamma l \bar{\nu}$

Simplest B decay, mediated by the  $b \rightarrow u$  weak current

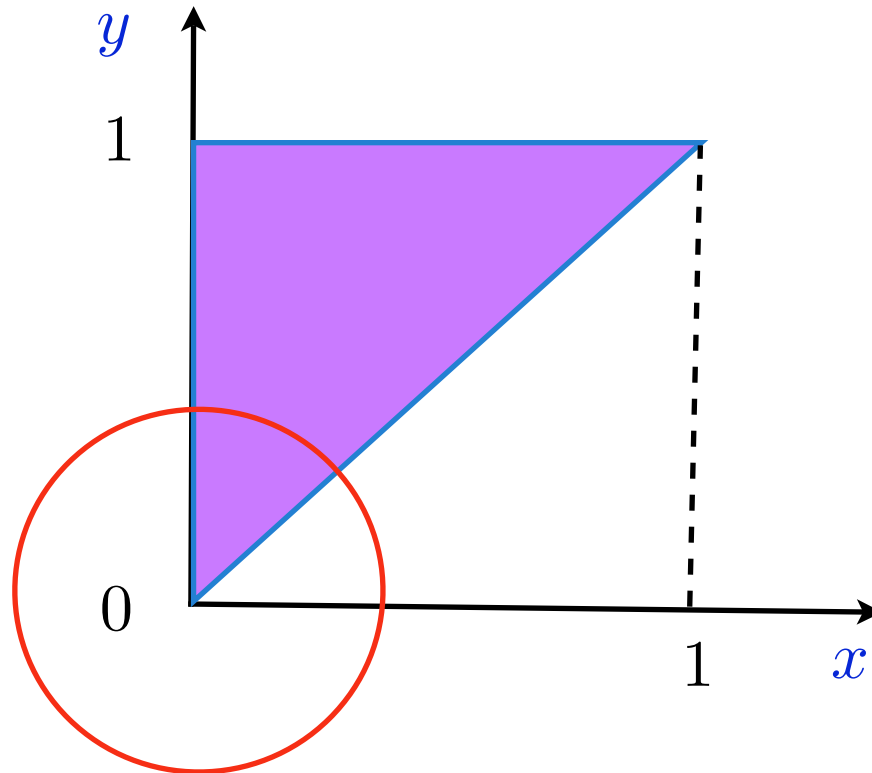


In the kinematic region w/ a hard photon  $E_\gamma \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$   
this amplitude can be described in factorization



# Kinematics $B \rightarrow \gamma l \bar{\nu}$

Dalitz plot



$$x = 1 - \frac{2E_\gamma}{m_B}$$

$$y = \frac{2E_e}{m_B}$$

Validity region of the factorization relation:

$$E_\gamma \gg \Lambda_{QCD} \sim 500 \text{ MeV}$$

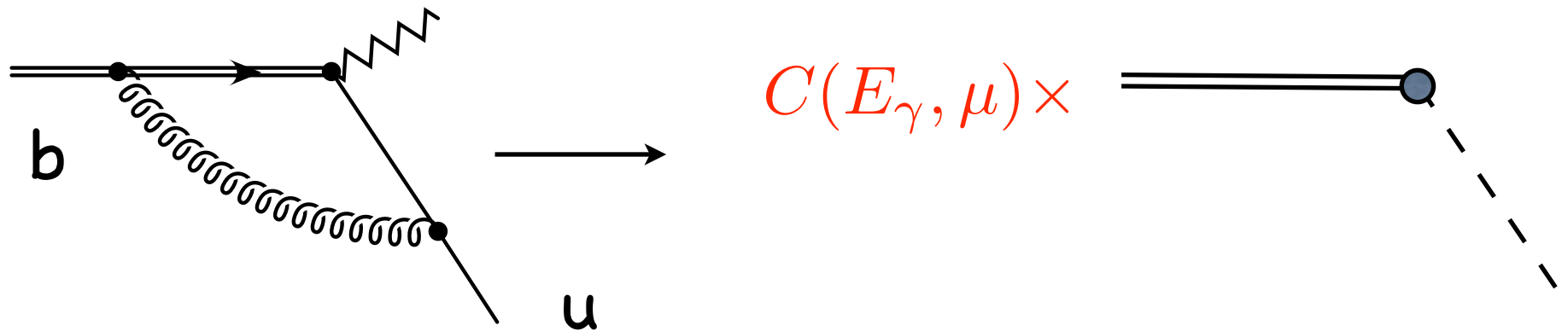
$$1 - x \gg 0.2$$

# Factorization relation

$$A(B \rightarrow \gamma \ell \bar{\nu}) \sim C^{(v)}(E_\gamma, \mu) \int_0^\infty dk_+ J(k_+) \phi_B^+(k_+)$$


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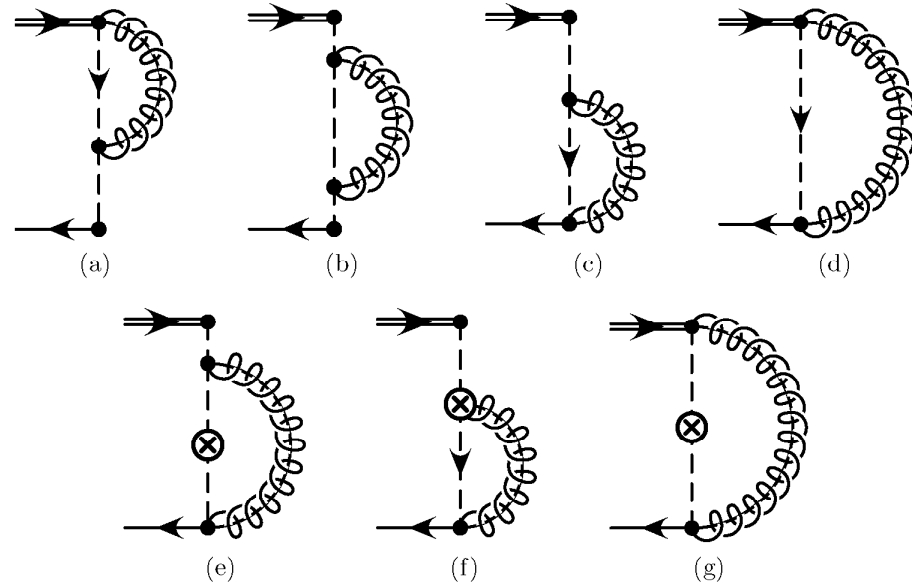
- Wilson coefficient: contains physics effects from the hard scale  $\mu = Q \equiv 2E_\gamma \sim m_b$



$$C(E_\gamma, \mu) = 1 - \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left[ 2 \log^2 \frac{2E_\gamma}{\mu} - 5 \log \frac{2E_\gamma}{\mu} + \dots \right]$$

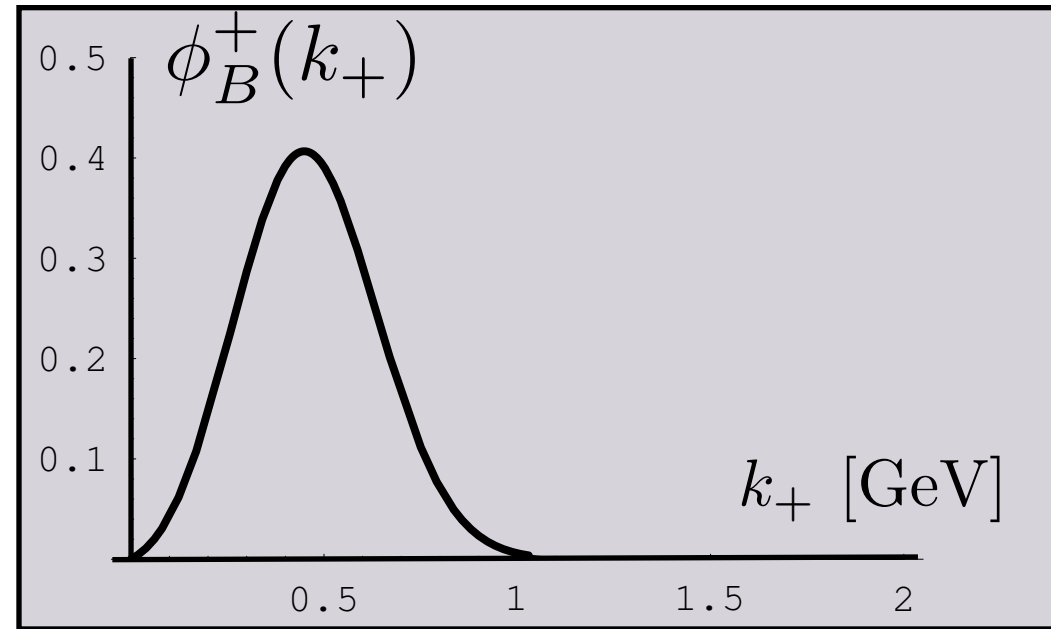
- Jet function:

$$J(k_+) = \frac{1}{k_+} \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} f(E_\gamma k_+ / \mu^2) \right)$$



- B meson light-cone wave function

nonperturbative input



$$\langle 0 | \bar{q}(\lambda n) Y_n(\lambda, 0) b(0) | \bar{B} \rangle = \int dk_+ e^{-i\lambda k_+} \left[ \frac{1 + \not{v}}{2} (\not{n} \phi_B^+(k_+) + \not{n} \phi_B^-(k_+)) \gamma_5 \right]$$

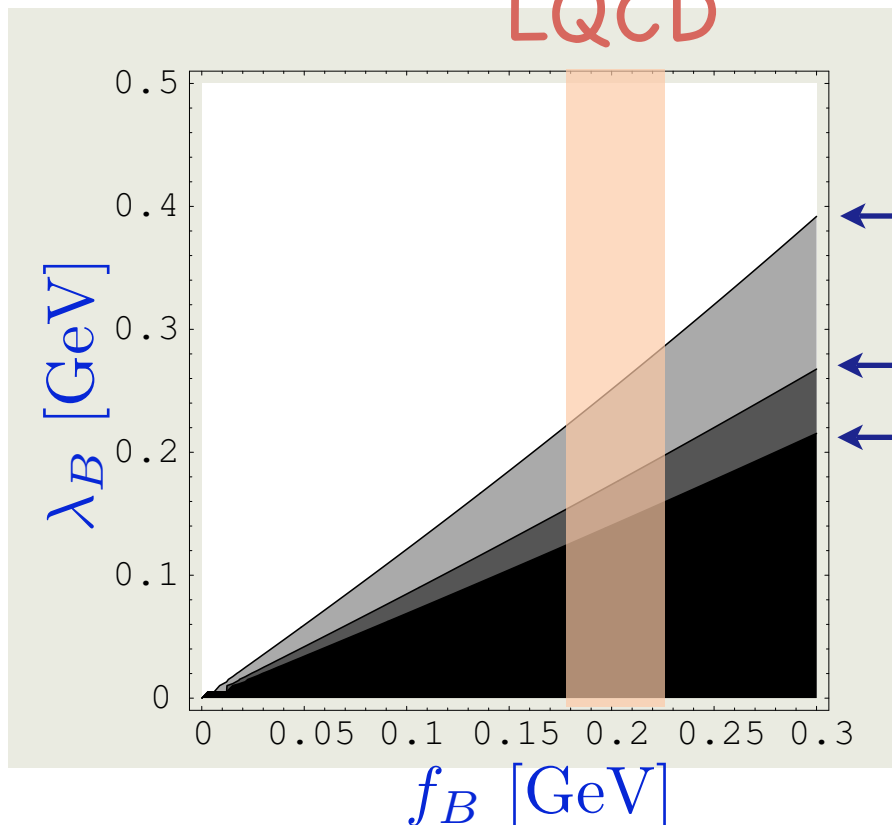
# Predictions from factorization

The factorized amplitude depends (at LO in  $\alpha_s(\sqrt{\Lambda_Q})$ ) on hadronic B physics through

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_B} = \int dk_+ \frac{\phi_B^+(k_+)}{k_+}$$

Clean determination of  $(f_B, \lambda_B)$  from the cut rate

LQCD



Br =

$2.0 \times 10^{-6}$

$4.0 \times 10^{-6}$

$6.0 \times 10^{-6}$

Cuts (example)

$E_\gamma = (0.65, 2.35)$  GeV

$E_\ell = (2.0, 2.85)$  GeV

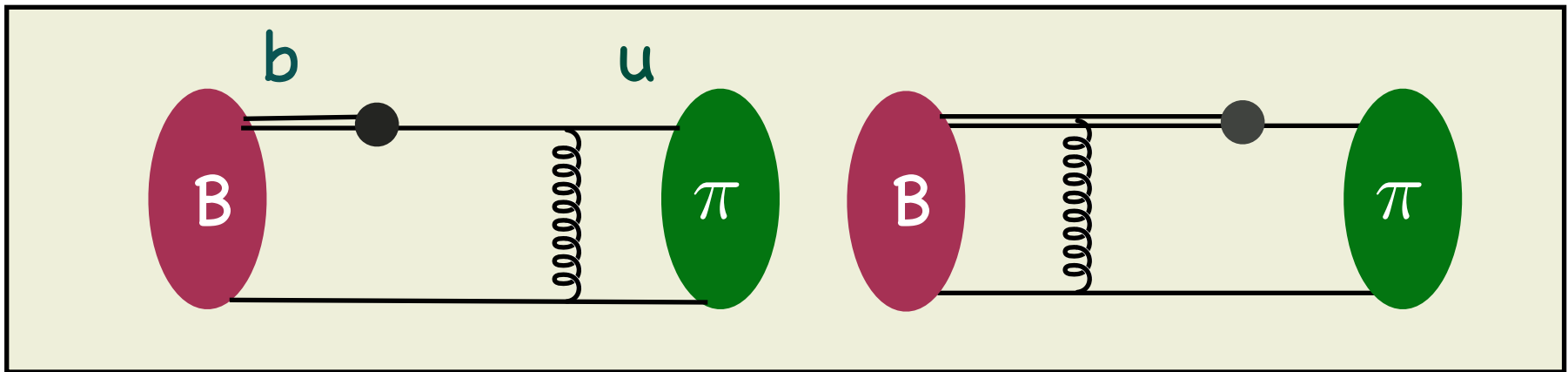
$\cos \theta_{\ell\gamma} \leq -0.42$

Decays into energetic  
light hadrons

# Large recoil

Consider  $B$  semileptonic or rare decays into one energetic light particle

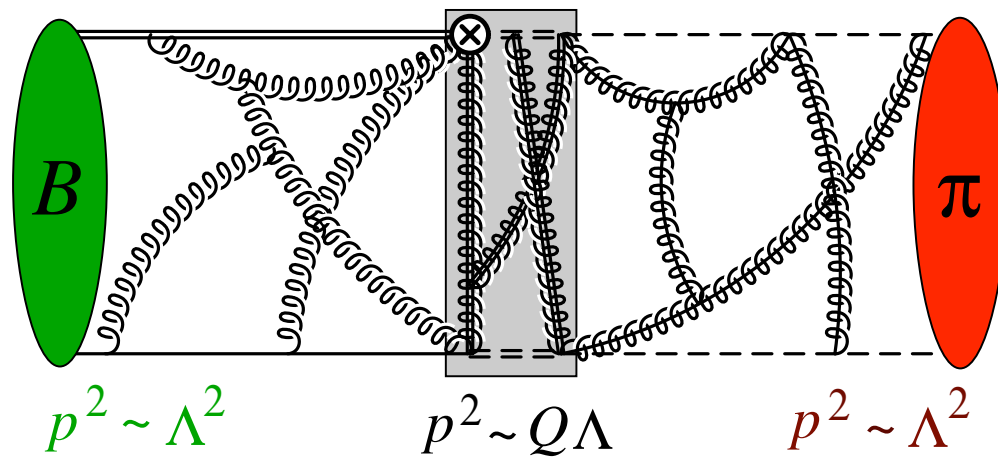
E.g.  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \bar{\nu}$  at  $q^2=0$  ( $E_\pi \sim 2.2$  GeV)



In the large recoil region, SCET gives a factorization relation for the  $B \rightarrow \pi$  form factors

# Factorization for heavy-light form factors

Form factors contain soft and hard scattering terms



Wilson coefficients  
jet function

$$f_i(E) = C_i(E, \mu) \zeta(E, \mu) + \int_0^1 dx dk_+ B_i(E, \mu, z) J(x, z, k_+) \phi_B^+(k_+) \phi_\pi(x)$$

“nonfactorizable”

“factorizable”

# Connection to nonleptonic decays



# Nonleptonic B decays into light mesons

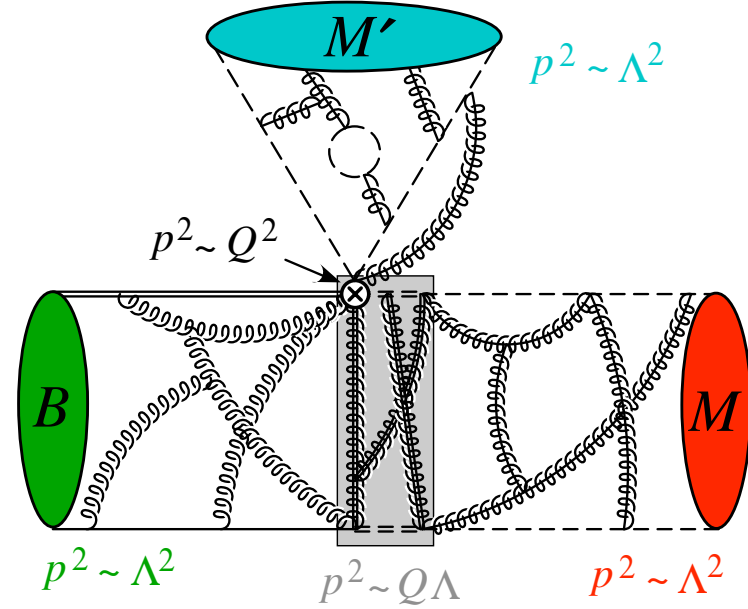
Energy scales in nonleptonic  $B \rightarrow MM'$  decays - same as those in  $B \rightarrow M$

## Factorization relation

$$A(B \rightarrow M_1 M_2) = f_{M_2} \zeta^{BM_1} \int_0^1 du T_2(u) \phi_{M_2}(u) + \int_0^1 dz du T_{2J}(u, z) \zeta_J^{BM_1}(z) \phi_{M_2}(u) + (1 \leftrightarrow 2)$$

Huge simplification:  
no new parameters needed!

hard	$p^2 \sim Q^2$
hard-collinear	$p^2 \sim Q\Lambda$
collinear	$p^2 \sim \Lambda^2$
soft	



# Other applications to B physics

- Inclusive semileptonic  $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \bar{\nu}$  and radiative  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  decays: leading order in  $\Lambda/m_b$  and first power corrections
- Factorization and resummation for the cut inclusive rates, e.g.  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  with photon energy cut
- Factorization in exclusive B decays
  - nonleptonic decays into final states with heavy mesons  $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \pi$
  - color suppressed decays  $B \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$
  - extension to multibody decays  $B \rightarrow \pi \gamma \ell \nu$   
 $B \rightarrow K \pi \gamma$

# Applications to light quark physics

- Deep inelastic scattering, DY near  $x \rightarrow 1$
- Jet physics  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{q}q, \bar{q}qg, \dots$   
power corrections to jet shape variables
- Extension to unstable particles

## Many more results...

- Semileptonic and radiative B decays into multibody states (one collinear + multiple soft pions)

e.g.  $B \rightarrow \pi\pi l\bar{\nu}$      $B \rightarrow K_n\pi l^+ l^-$

- Corrections to the forward-backward asymmetry in

$$B \rightarrow K_n\pi l^+ l^-$$

- Nonleptonic B decays into multibody final states

Larger branching ratios, more observables

# Summary

- The strong interaction effects in hard processes can be described using the technique of effective field theories
- EFTs work by separating the contributions of the relevant energy scales: **factorization theorems**
- Heavy Quark Effective Theory (HQET): applicable to situations involving slow moving heavy hadrons
- Soft-Collinear Effective Theory (SCET): effective theory for soft and energetic quarks and gluons
- Rigorous factorization theorems for many hard processes, both at leading order and for power corrections.

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