

Study of $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}$ semileptonic decays by using lattice QCD

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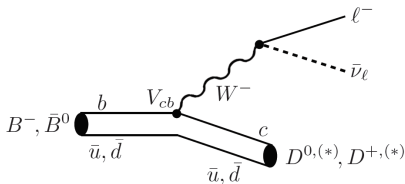
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Motivation

- $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}$ decays : determine $|V_{cb}|$.
- $|V_{cb}|$: long-standing tension between inclusive and exclusive determinations.
- $R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$: 2σ - 3σ tension with the SM.
- Expect increasing precision in experiment : Belle II, LHCb

What is role of the Lattice QCD in understanding these issues?

Exclusive determination of $|V_{cb}| : \bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu} |$



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where the recoil parameter w is

$$w \equiv v_B \cdot v_{D^{(*)}} = \frac{m_B^2 + m_{D^{(*)}}^2 - q^2}{2m_B m_{D^{(*)}}} \left(= \frac{E_{D^{(*)}}}{m_{D^{(*)}}}, \text{ when } \bar{B} \text{ is at rest} \right)$$

Exclusive determination of $|V_{cb}| : \bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$ II

- Lattice QCD : calculate hadronic matrix elements & determine $\mathcal{F}(w)$, $\mathcal{G}(w)$.

$$\frac{\langle D | V^\mu | \bar{B} \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_D}} = (v_B + v_D)^\mu h_+(w) + (v_B - v_D)^\mu h_-(w),$$

$$\frac{\langle D^* | V^\mu | \bar{B} \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_{D^*}}} = h_V(w) \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \epsilon^{*\nu} v_{D^*}^\alpha v_B^\beta,$$

$$\frac{\langle D^* | A^\mu | \bar{B} \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_{D^*}}} = -i h_{A_1}(w) (w+1) \epsilon^{*\mu} + i h_{A_2}(w) (\epsilon^* \cdot v_B) v_B^\mu + i h_{A_3}(w) (\epsilon^* \cdot v_B) v_{D^*}^\mu$$

At zero recoil ($v_B = v_{D^*}$, $w = 1$), $\mathcal{F}(1) = h_{A_1}(1)$.

- Determination of CKM matrix elements with lattice QCD

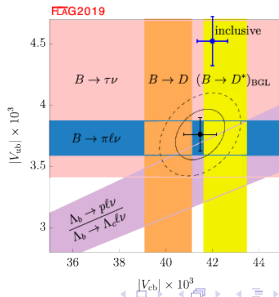
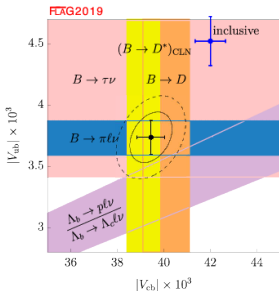
Decay rate (exp.) = known factors $\times |V_{CKM}|^2 \times$ **Hadronic matrix elements**

Exclusive determination of $|V_{cb}| : \bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$ III

- LQCD calculations are more precise near zero recoil ($w \simeq 1$), whereas experimental data for decay rate is suppressed by factor $(w^2 - 1)^{1/2}$ or $(w^2 - 1)^{3/2}$.
- Connect LQCD & experiment : extrapolation to the zero recoil is required.

$$|V_{cb}| \mathcal{F}(w \simeq 1) \rightarrow |V_{cb}| \mathcal{F}(1),$$

- Parametrization dependence? : CLN vs. BGL



$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}$ Form Factor Parametrization: CLN vs. BGL I

- CLN (Caprini, Lellouch, and Neubert) [NPB.530, 153] : HQET frameworks

$$\left[1 + \frac{4w}{w+1} \frac{1-2wr+r^2}{(1-r)^2} \right] \mathcal{F}^2(w) = h_{A_1}^2(w) \left\{ 2 \frac{1-2wr+r^2}{(1-r)^2} \left[1 + \frac{w-1}{w+1} R_1^2(w) \right] + \left[1 + \frac{w-1}{1-r} (1 - R_2(w)) \right]^2 \right\}, \quad (r = m_{D^*}/m_B).$$

$$R_1(w) = R_1(1) - 0.12(w-1) + 0.05(w-1)^2$$

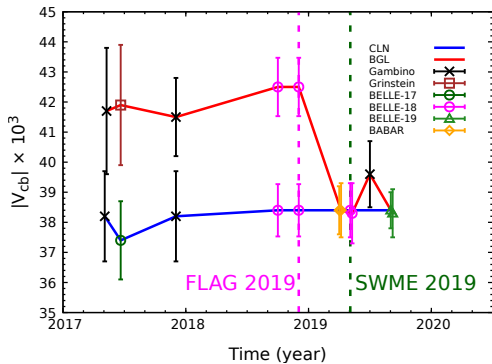
$$R_2(w) = R_2(1) + 0.11(w-1) - 0.06(w-1)^2$$

$$h_{A_1}(w) = h_{A_1}(1) \left[1 - 8\rho^2 z + (53\rho^2 - 15)z^2 - (231\rho^2 - 91)z^3 \right], \quad (z = \frac{\sqrt{w+1} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{w+1} + \sqrt{2}})$$

- BGL (Boyd, Grinstein, and Lebed) [PRD.56,6895] : unitarity constraints

$$f_i(z) = \frac{1}{\phi_i(z) P_i(z)} \sum_{k=0}^{n_i} a_k^i z^k, \quad (\text{with } f_i(z) = H_0(z), H_{\pm}(z) : \text{Helicity amplitudes})$$

CLN vs. BGL



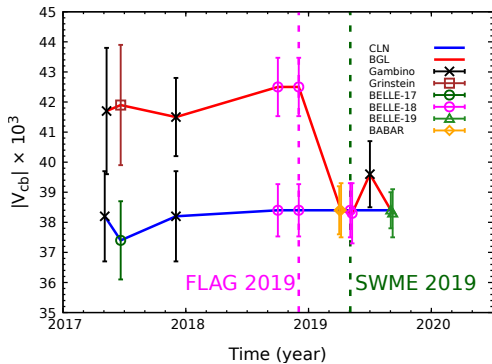
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- Belle 2018 : difference between CLN/BGL,

$$|V_{cb}| = 42.5 \pm 0.6 \times 10^{-3} (\text{BGL} + \text{LQCD})$$

$$|V_{cb}| = 38.4 \pm 0.6 \times 10^{-3} (\text{CLN} + \text{LQCD})$$

CLN vs. BGL



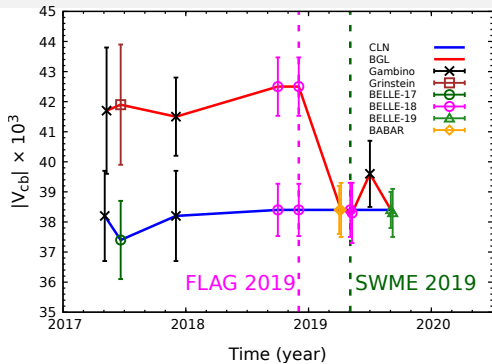
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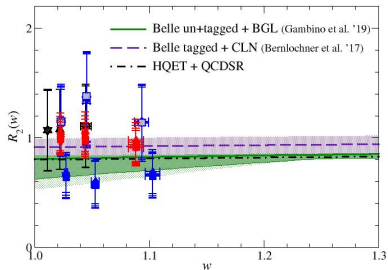
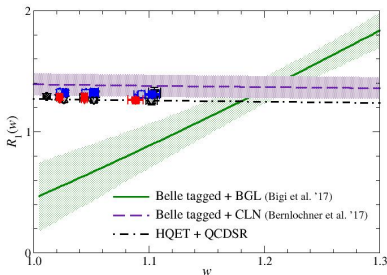
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- BABAR 2019 : analysis with BGL/CLN, consistent with Belle 2019
- Gambino (1905.08209): BGL with more fit parameters $\text{BGL}_{102} \rightarrow \text{BGL}_{222}$

$R_1(w)$ and $R_2(w)$: JLQCD results

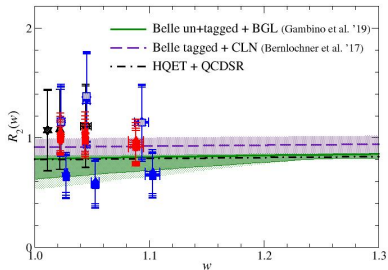
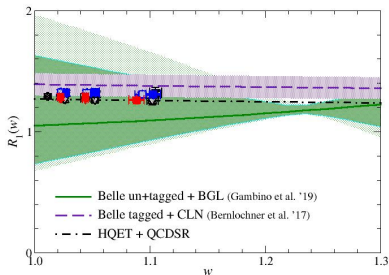
$$R_1(w) \equiv \frac{h_V(w)}{h_{A_1}(w)}, \quad R_2(w) \equiv \frac{h_{A_3}(w) + r h_{A_2}(w)}{h_{A_1}(w)}, \quad \text{with } (r = M_{D^*} / M_B)$$



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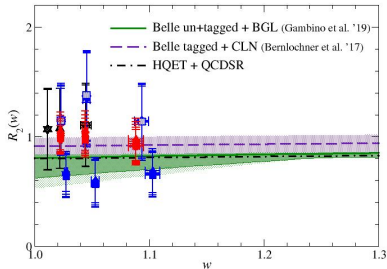
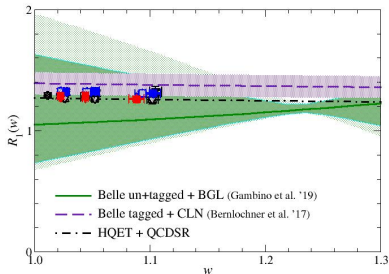
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- JLQCD's results for $R_1(w)$ favor the CLN result.
- CLN/BGL : $R_1(w)$ and $R_2(w)$ are determined by fitting.
- LQCD results of $R_1(w)$ and $R_2(w)$ can be input parameters of the parametrization and enhance the extrapolation.

$|V_{cb}|$ puzzle : unresolved

Table: $|V_{cb}|$ in units of 1.0×10^{-3} .

(a) Exclusive $|V_{cb}|$

channel	value	Ref.
CLN	38.4(8)	BABAR 2019
BGL	38.4(9)	BABAR 2019
CLN	38.4(6)	Belle 2019
BGL	38.3(8)	Belle 2019
CLN	39.13(59)	HFLAV 2017
CLN	39.25(56)	HFLAV 2019 [Web] ¹

(b) Inclusive $|V_{cb}|$

channel	value	Ref.
kinetic scheme	42.19(78)	HFLAV 2017
1S scheme	41.98(45)	HFLAV 2017

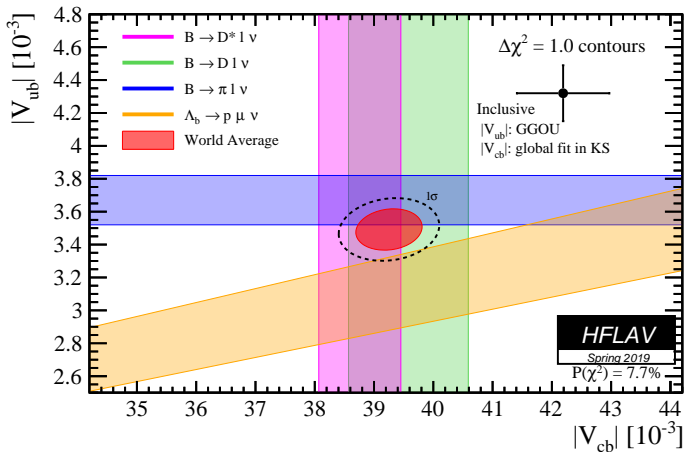
(BABAR 2019 : 1903.10002), (Belle 2019 : PRD 100, 052007 (2019)),
(HFLAV 2017 : EPJ.C77, 895 (2017))

- $3\sigma \sim 4\sigma$ difference in $|V_{cb}|$ between the exclusive and inclusive decay channels : the $|V_{cb}|$ puzzle is **unresolved** yet.

¹Preliminary !!

Current status of $|V_{cb}|$

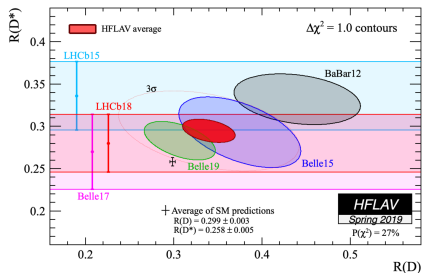
- Combined fit of exclusive $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$ (preliminary)



$R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$

- R-ratios for $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}$ semileptonic decay

$$R(D) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D\tau\nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D\ell\nu_\ell)}, \quad R(D^*) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^*\tau\nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^*\ell\nu_\ell)}$$



- Results of HFLAV 2019 (Preliminary)

channel	SM	Experiment	Difference
$R(D)$	0.299(3)	0.340(27)(13)	1.4σ
$R(D^*)$	0.258(5)	0.295(11)(8)	2.5σ

$R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$ by LQCD

- Calculate semi-leptonic form factors at zero recoil and non-zero recoil points. By fitting the data, we obtain form factors ($\mathcal{F}(w)$ and $\mathcal{G}(w)$) for the full range of w using parametrization like CLN, BGL.
- The recoil parameter w has bound as

$$1 \leq w = v_B \cdot v_D = \frac{m_B^2 + m_D^2 - q^2}{2m_B m_D} \leq w_{\max}^{\ell(\tau)} = \frac{m_B^2 + m_D^2 - m_{\ell(\tau)}^2}{2m_B m_D}$$

$$R(D^*) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^* \tau \nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu_\ell)} = \frac{\int_1^{w_{\max}^\tau} dw \left[\frac{d\Gamma}{dw}(w, m_\tau) \right]}{\int_1^{w_{\max}^\ell} dw \left[\frac{d\Gamma}{dw}(w, m_\ell) \right]}, \quad \text{where } \ell = \{e, \mu\},$$

$$w_{\max}^\tau = 1.355, \quad w_{\max}^\ell = 1.503$$

- Integrate using ($|V_{cb}|^2$ is cancelled out)

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dw} \propto \text{known factors} \times \mathcal{F}^2(w)$$

Study of $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}$ on the lattice

- ① Exclusive $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$ at zero recoil [Fermilab-MILC (2014), HPQCD (2018)]
 - Most precise in experimental and lattice errors.
 - The decay rate depends on a single form factor h_{A_1} . Form factor calculation using the 3-point function $\langle D^* | A^\mu | B \rangle$ on the lattice.
- ② Exclusive $\bar{B} \rightarrow D \ell \bar{\nu}$ at non-zero recoil [Fermilab-MILC (2015), HPQCD (2015)]
 - Near the zero recoil, the experimental precision is poor due to the phase space suppression.
 - Form factor calculation using the 3-point function $\langle D | V^\mu | B \rangle$ on the lattice.

Decay mode	Method	$ V_{cb} \times 10^3$ [HFLAV (2017)]
$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$	Lattice	39.05(47)(58)
$\bar{B} \rightarrow D \ell \bar{\nu}$	Lattice	39.18(94)(36)
$B \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}$	QCD sum rule	42.03(39)

How to control discretization error

- On the lattice, we have **discretization error** by construction.
- For the $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$ study, the heavy quark discretization error for charm quark is dominant.
- **Fermilab action** : Fermilab-MILC (2014) uses the Fermilab action for the b and c quarks.
The discretization error of $h_{A_1}(1)$: combined error $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \lambda^2)$ & $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3) \sim 1\%$.
 λ : power counting parameter ($\lambda \simeq \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/2m_Q, \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} a$)
- **Oktay-Kronfeld action** : improved version of the Fermilab action. ($\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$ improved)

How to control discretization error

- We expect the improvement in charm quark discretization error from the Fermilab/MILC results [PRD89, 114504 (2014)] for the $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}$ semileptonic form factors.

form factor	h_{A_1}
decay channel	$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$
statistics	0.4
matching	0.4
χ PT	0.5
c discretization	1.0 \rightarrow (0.2) _{OK}
...	...
total	1.4 \rightarrow (0.8) _{OK}

- Expect improvement in experiment : Belle II has been running since April, 2019, and the target statistics is 50 times larger than Belle.

Fermilab action

- The Fermilab action [El-Khadra, Kronfeld, and Mackenzie, PRD55, 3933 (1997)]

$$S_{\text{Fermilab}} \equiv S_0 + S_E + S_B,$$

$$S_0 \equiv a^4 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \left[m_0 + \gamma_4 D_{\text{lat},4} - \frac{a}{2} \Delta_4 + \zeta \left(\boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}} - \frac{r_s a}{2} \Delta^{(3)} \right) \right] \psi(x)$$

$$S_E \equiv -\frac{1}{2} c_E \zeta a^5 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \psi(x), \quad S_B \equiv -\frac{1}{2} c_B \zeta a^5 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) i \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}} \psi(x),$$

$\Delta^{(3)}, \Delta_4$: discretized versions of \mathbf{D}^2, D_4^2 .

- Coefficients in the action (m_0, c_B, \dots) are tuned to reduce the discretization error in $\mathcal{O}(\lambda)$.

Okta-Kronfeld action

- Okta-Kronfeld (OK) action : $\mathcal{O}(\lambda) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$ improvement. [Okta and Kronfeld, PRD78, 014504 (2008)]

$$S_{\text{OK}} \equiv S_{\text{Fermilab}} + S_6 + S_7$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_6 \equiv & c_1 a^6 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \sum_i \gamma_i D_{\text{lat},i} \Delta_i \psi(x) + c_2 a^6 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \{ \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, \Delta^{(3)} \} \psi(x) \\ & + c_3 a^6 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \{ \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, i \Sigma \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}} \} \psi(x) \\ & + c_{EE} a^6 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \{ \gamma_4 D_{\text{lat},4}, \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \} \psi(x), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$S_7 \equiv a^7 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \sum_i \left[c_4 \Delta_i^2 \psi(x) + c_5 \sum_{j \neq i} \{ i \Sigma_j B_{\text{lat},j}, \Delta_j \} \right] \psi(x). \quad (2)$$

- Coefficients c_i are fixed by matching dispersion relation, interaction with background field, and Compton scattering amplitude of on-shell quark through the tree level.

Current improvement

- **Simulation with the Fermilab action** : current improvement through $\mathcal{O}(\lambda)$. Improved currents are constructed by improved quark fields [El-Khadra, Kronfeld, and Mackenzie, PRD55, 3933]

$$V_\mu = \bar{\Psi}_c \gamma_\mu \Psi_b, \quad A_\mu = \bar{\Psi}_c \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \Psi_b,$$

where

$$\Psi_f = e^{m_{1f} a^2/2} (1 + d_{1f} a \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}) \psi_f, \quad f = b, c$$

And determine d_{1f} by matching conditions.

- **Simulation with the OK action** : current improvement through $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$ is required.

Current improvement

- Tree-level relation between QCD operator and HQET operator is given by Foldy-Wouthouysen-Tani transformation

$$b = \left[1 - \frac{\boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{D}}{2m_b} + \dots \right] h_b,$$
$$\bar{c} \gamma_\mu b \doteq \bar{h}_c \Gamma h_b - \bar{h}_c \gamma_\mu \frac{\boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{D}}{2m_b} h_b + \bar{h}_c \frac{\overleftarrow{\mathbf{D}}}{2m_c} \gamma_\mu h_b + \dots$$

- Taking FWT transformation through $\mathcal{O}(1/m_q^3)$ as ansatz, we introduced improved quark field [Jaehoon Leem, arXiv:1711.01777],

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x) = & e^{m_1 a/2} \left[1 + d_1 a \boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}} + \frac{1}{2} d_2 a^2 \Delta^{(3)} + \frac{1}{2} i d_B a^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}} + \frac{1}{2} d_E a^2 \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \right. \\ & + d_{EE} a^3 \{ \gamma_4 D_{4\text{lat}}, \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \} + d_{rE} a^3 \{ \boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \} \\ & + \frac{1}{6} d_3 a^3 \gamma_i D_{\text{lat}i} \Delta_i + \frac{1}{2} d_4 a^3 \{ \boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, \Delta^{(3)} \} + d_5 a^3 \{ \boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, i \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}} \} \\ & \left. + d_6 a^3 [\gamma_4 D_{4\text{lat}}, \Delta^{(3)}] + d_7 a^3 [\gamma_4 D_{4\text{lat}}, i \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}}] \right] \psi(x). \end{aligned}$$

Numerical Simulation

Path integral on lattice

- Calculate Green's functions by performing path integral over discretized Euclidean space-time. For example,

$$\langle O_2(x) O_1(0) \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int \prod dU d\bar{q} dq e^{-S_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{lat}}} O_2(x) O_1(0)$$

The field variable $U_\mu(x)$ is **gauge link**.

- The integral over fermionic Grassmann variables gives fermionic determinant. For example, if $O_2 \equiv \bar{b}\gamma_5 d$ and $O_1 \equiv \bar{d}\gamma_5 b$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle O_2(x) O_1(0) \rangle &= \int \frac{1}{Z} \prod dU d\bar{q} dq e^{-S_g^{\text{lat}}} \bar{b}(x) \gamma_5 d(x) \bar{d}(0) \gamma_5 b(0) \prod_q e^{-\sum_q \bar{q} D_q q} \\ &= -\frac{1}{Z} \int \prod dU e^{-S_g^{\text{lat}}} \prod_q \det[D_q] \text{tr}[\gamma_5 D_d^{-1}(x, 0) \gamma_5 D_b^{-1}(0, x)] \\ &\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{MC}}} w(U_i) (-\text{tr}[\gamma_5 D_d^{-1}(x, 0) \gamma_5 D_b^{-1}(0, x)]) \end{aligned}$$

if $\prod_q \det[D_q] \geq 0$, one can use **Monte Carlo simulation** with importance sampling with weight factor $w(U) \propto dU e^{-S_g^{\text{lat}}} \prod_q \det[D_q](U)$.

Lattice QCD

Lattice QCD simulations in three steps.

- **Generate gauge configuration** : make gauge configurations to follow probability density $P(U) \propto w(U)$.
- **Measurements** : calculate Euclidean Green's function.
 - Compute quark propagators : inverse of matrix with $4(\text{spin}) \times 3(\text{color}) \times V(\text{lattice vol})$ rows and columns. (For $V = 48^3 \times 96$ hypercubic lattice, dimension of matrix is over 100 millions.)
 - Calculate correlation functions by contracting quark fields.
- **Extract energy spectrum, hadronic matrix elements, ...**

Sea quark and valence quark

- Fermions in Lagrangian : **sea quark** \rightarrow fermion determinant
- Fermions in the operator : **valence quark** \rightarrow propagator.

Numerical Simulation

- Sea quarks : Highly-improved-staggered quark (HISQ) action with $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ flavors. [MILC collab., PRD87, 054505 (2013)]

ID	$a(\text{fm})$	Volume	am_l	am_s	am_c	$N_{conf} \times N_{src}$
a12m310	0.12	$24^3 \times 64$	0.0102	0.0509	0.635	1053×3
a12m220	0.12	$32^3 \times 64$	0.00507	0.0507	0.628	
a12m130	0.12	$48^3 \times 64$	0.00184	0.0507	0.628	
a09m310	0.09	$32^3 \times 96$	0.0074	0.037	0.440	1001×3
a09m220	0.09	$48^3 \times 96$	0.00363	0.0363	0.430	
a09m130	0.09	$64^3 \times 96$	0.0012	0.0363	0.432	

- Valence quark for (u, d, s) : HISQ action
- Valence quark for b and c : Oktay-Kronfeld action
- Calculate 2-point Green's function** : determine the bare masses of b and c numerically by tuning the energy spectrum of lattice meson.
- Calculate 3-point Green's function** : determine hadronic matrix elements with the improved flavor-changing current.

Green's function

- 2-point (Euclidean) Green's function : extract meson's energy spectrum

$$\begin{aligned} C_B^{2\text{pt}}(\mathbf{p}) &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \langle O_B(t, \mathbf{x}) O_B^\dagger(0) \rangle = \sum_n |\langle 0 | O_B^\dagger | B_n \rangle|^2 e^{-E_n(\mathbf{p})t} \\ &= |\langle 0 | O_B^\dagger | \bar{B} \rangle|^2 e^{-E_0(\mathbf{p})t} + |\langle 0 | O_B^\dagger | B_1 \rangle|^2 e^{-E_1(\mathbf{p})t} + \dots \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

O_B^\dagger (meson interpolating operator) : creates B -meson as acting on vacuum.

- 3-point (Euclidean) Green's function : extract hadronic matrix elements

$$\begin{aligned} C_{A_j}^{B \rightarrow D^*}(t_s, t_f) &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_{D^*}(\mathbf{x}, t_f) A_j^{cb}(\mathbf{y}, t_s) O_B^\dagger(\mathbf{0}, 0) \rangle \\ &= \langle 0 | O_{D^*} | D^* \rangle \langle \bar{B} | O_B^\dagger | 0 \rangle \langle D^* | A_j | \bar{B} \rangle e^{-M_B t_s} e^{-M_{D^*}(t_f - t_s)} + \dots \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

where A_j^{cb} is flavor-changing axial current.

- Do numerical analysis to **extract the ground-state contribution** out of excited-state contamination.

$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$ at zero recoil

- $h_{A_1}(1)$ determination by LQCD

$$|h_{A_1}(1)|^2 = \frac{\langle D^* | A_{cb}^j | \bar{B} \rangle \langle \bar{B} | A_{bc}^j | D^* \rangle}{\langle D^* | V_{cc}^4 | D^* \rangle \langle \bar{B} | V_{bb}^4 | \bar{B} \rangle} \times \rho_{A_j}^2, \quad \text{with} \quad \rho_{A_j}^2 = \frac{Z_{A_j}^{cb} Z_{A_j}^{bc}}{Z_{V_4}^{cc} Z_{V_4}^{bb}} \simeq 1$$

- We calculate the following 3-point Green's functions ($w = 1$),

$$C_{A_j}^{B \rightarrow D^*}(t, \tau) \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_{D^*}(0) A_j^{cb}(\mathbf{y}, t) O_B^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \rangle,$$

$$C_{A_j}^{D^* \rightarrow B}(t, \tau) \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_B(0) A_j^{bc}(\mathbf{y}, t) O_{D^*}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \rangle,$$

$$C_{V_4}^{B \rightarrow B}(t, \tau) \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_B(0) V_4^{bb}(\mathbf{y}, t) O_B^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \rangle,$$

$$C_{V_4}^{D^* \rightarrow D^*}(t, \tau) \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_{D^*}(0) V_4^{cc}(\mathbf{y}, t) O_{D^*}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \rangle, \quad (5)$$

where O_B and O_{D^*} are meson interpolating operators.

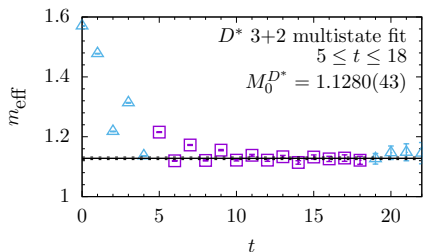
- The currents are given by the improved quark fields

$$A_j^{cb} \equiv \bar{\Psi}_c \gamma_5 \gamma_j \Psi_b, \quad V_4^{bb} \equiv \bar{\Psi}_b \gamma_4 \Psi_b. \quad (6)$$

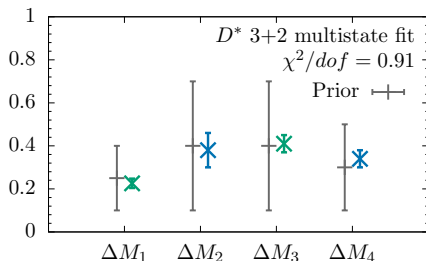
2pt function analysis

- Generate zero momentum meson propagators and do the multi-states fitting [Sungwoo Park, et al., Lattice 2018]

$$C_{B(\text{or } D^*)}^{2pt}(t, \mathbf{0}) = |\mathcal{A}_0|^2 e^{-M_0 t} \left(1 + \left| \frac{\mathcal{A}_2}{\mathcal{A}_0} \right|^2 e^{-\Delta M_2 t} + \left| \frac{\mathcal{A}_4}{\mathcal{A}_0} \right|^2 e^{-(\Delta M_2 + \Delta M_4) t} + \dots \right. \\ \left. - (-1)^t \left| \frac{\mathcal{A}_1}{\mathcal{A}_0} \right|^2 e^{-\Delta M_1 t} - (-1)^t \left| \frac{\mathcal{A}_3}{\mathcal{A}_0} \right|^2 e^{-(\Delta M_1 + \Delta M_3) t} + \dots \right) + (t \leftrightarrow T - t)$$



(a) $m_{\text{eff}}(t) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \ln |C^{2pt}(t)/C^{2pt}(t+2)|$.



(b) The excited state masses.

3pt function analysis

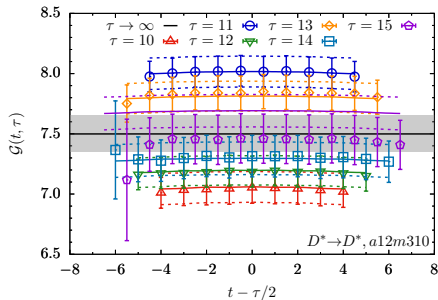
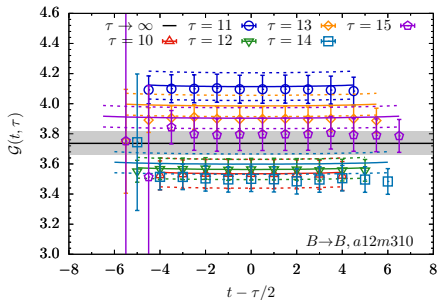
- Fit 3-point function including 2+1 states for $|B_m\rangle$ and $|D_n^*\rangle$ with $n, m = 0, 1, 2$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{A_j}^{B \rightarrow D^*}(t_s, \tau) = & \mathcal{A}_0^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_0^B \langle D_0^* | A_j^{cb} | B_0 \rangle e^{-M_{B_0}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_0^*} t_s} \\
 & - \mathcal{A}_0^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_1^B \langle D_0^* | A_j^{cb} | B_1 \rangle (-1)^{(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{B_1}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_0^*} t_s} \\
 & - \mathcal{A}_1^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_0^B \langle D_1^* | A_j^{cb} | B_0 \rangle (-1)^{t_s} e^{-M_{B_0}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_1^*} t_s} \\
 & + \mathcal{A}_1^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_1^B \langle D_1^* | A_j^{cb} | B_1 \rangle (-1)^\tau e^{-M_{B_1}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_1^*} t_s} \\
 & + \mathcal{A}_2^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_0^B \langle D_2^* | A_j^{cb} | B_0 \rangle e^{-M_{B_0}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_2^*} t_s} \\
 & + \mathcal{A}_0^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_2^B \langle D_0^* | A_j^{cb} | B_2 \rangle e^{-M_{B_2}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_0^*} t_s} \\
 & - \mathcal{A}_2^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_1^B \langle D_2^* | A_j^{cb} | B_1 \rangle (-1)^{\tau-t_s} e^{-M_{B_1}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_2^*} t_s} \\
 & - \mathcal{A}_1^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_2^B \langle D_1^* | A_j^{cb} | B_2 \rangle (-1)^{t_s} e^{-M_{B_2}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_1^*} t_s} \\
 & + \mathcal{A}_0^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_2^B \langle D_0^* | A_j^{cb} | B_2 \rangle e^{-M_{B_2}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_0^*} t_s} + \dots
 \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

- In the fitting, the 2pt amplitudes \mathcal{A} and masses M are constant fixed from the 2-point function analysis.

Fitting results for the 3-point correlation functions (1)

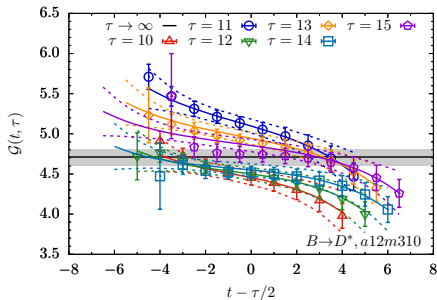
$$\mathcal{G}(t, \tau) \equiv \frac{C_{A_j}^{X \rightarrow Y}(t, \tau)}{\mathcal{A}_0^Y \mathcal{A}_0^X e^{-M_{X_0}(\tau-t)} e^{-M_{Y_0}t}} = \langle Y_0 | A_j^{cb} | X_0 \rangle + \dots,$$



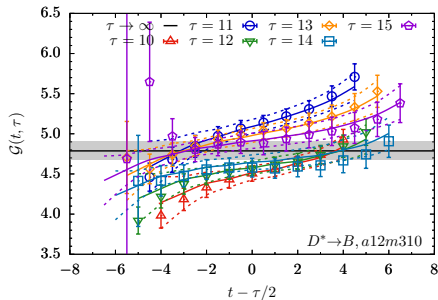
[Sungwoo Park, et al., Lattice 2018]

Fitting results for the 3-point correlation functions (2)

$$\mathcal{G}(t, \tau) \equiv \frac{C_{A_j}^{X \rightarrow Y}(t, \tau)}{\mathcal{A}_0^Y \mathcal{A}_0^X e^{-M_{X_0}(\tau-t)} e^{-M_{Y_0}t}} = \langle Y_0 | A_j^{cb} | X_0 \rangle + \dots,$$



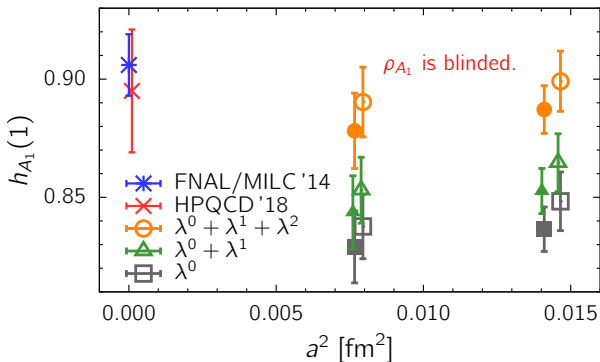
(e) $B \rightarrow D^*$



(f) $D^* \rightarrow B$

[Sungwoo Park, et al., Lattice 2018]

$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* l \bar{\nu}$ Form Factor at Zero Recoil : $h_{A_1}(w = 1)$



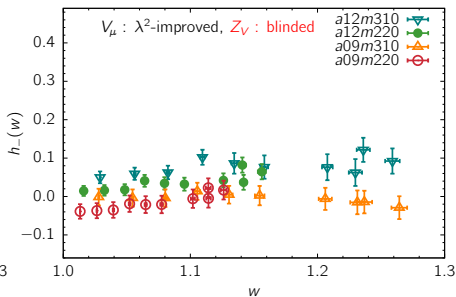
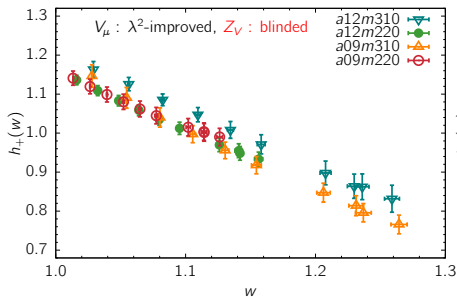
- ρ_{A_j} is blinded: $\rho_{A_j}^2 = \frac{Z_{A_j}^{bc} Z_{A_j}^{cb}}{Z_{V_4}^{bb} Z_{V_4}^{cc}} \rightarrow 1$.
- Non-perturbative calculation of ρ_{A_j} is underway.
- Preliminary results!!!

$\bar{B} \rightarrow D\ell\bar{\nu}$ Form Factors: $h_{\pm}(w)$ on the lattice

$$\frac{\langle D(M_D, \mathbf{p}') | V_{\mu} | B(M_B, \mathbf{0}) \rangle}{\sqrt{2M_D}\sqrt{2M_B}} = \frac{1}{2} \{ h_+(w)(v + v')_{\mu} + h_-(w)(v - v')_{\mu} \},$$

- B meson is at rest: $v = \frac{p}{M_B} = (1, \mathbf{0})$.
- D meson is moving with velocity: $v' = \frac{p'}{M_D} = \left(\frac{E_D}{M_D}, \frac{\mathbf{p}'}{M_D} \right)$.
- Recoil parameter: $w = v \cdot v' = \frac{E_D}{M_D}$.

$\bar{B} \rightarrow D\ell\bar{\nu}$ Form Factors $h_{\pm}(w)$



- MILC HISQ lattices at $a \cong 0.12\text{fm}$ and $a \cong 0.09\text{fm}$
- Z_V is blinded. (NPR is underway.)
- The vector current is improved up to the λ^2 order.
- **Preliminary** results!!!

Summary

- This is the first numerical study with the OK action using the currents improved up to $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$.
- We produced 3-point correlation functions, and obtained **preliminary** results for $\frac{|h_{A_1}(1)|}{\rho_{A_j}} (\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu})$ and $\frac{h_{\pm}(w)}{Z_V} (\bar{B} \rightarrow D \ell \bar{\nu})$.

[To do list]

- Non-perturbative (NPR) calculation of matching factors: ρ_{A_j}, Z_V .
- Extend measurement to superfine ($a \sim 0.06\text{fm}$), and ultrafine ($a \sim 0.045\text{fm}$) ensembles and accumulate more statistics.
- Chiral-continuum extrapolation (get results at $a \rightarrow 0$)
- Calculate $R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$
- Calculate beyond the standard model contributions from scalar or tensor type currents.