

• • $\mathscr{R}(D^{(*)})$: Status and prospects @ Belle (II)

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Florian Bernlochner Challenges in Semileptonic B Decays 2022











Measurement Strategies



2. Albeit not necessarily a rare decay of O(%) in BF, TRICKY to separate from normalisation and backgrounds

LHCb: Isolation criteria, displacement of *τ*, kinematics B-Factories: Full reconstruction of event (Tagging), matching topology, kinematics

Measurement Strategies



Tag

- e^+/e^- collision produces $Y(4S) \rightarrow BB$
- Fully reconstruct one of the two Bmesons ('tag') \rightarrow possible to assign all particles to either signal or tag B
- Missing four-momentum (neutrinos) can be reconstructed with high precision

$$p_{\text{miss}} = (p_{\text{beam}} - p_{B\text{tag}} - p_{D^{(*)}} - p_{\ell})$$

✓ Small efficiency (~0.2-0.4%) compensated by large integrated luminosity

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Nice Illustration

from C. Bozzi



Belle Measurements

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The Belle (II) Menu



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$\mathscr{R}(D^{(*)})$ from Belle with SL tagging

Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 161803, April 2020 [arXiv:1904.08794]

- Reconstruct one of the two B-mesons ('tag') in semileptonic modes → possible to assign all particles in detector to tag- & signal-side
- Demand Matching topology + unassigned energy in the calorimeter
 *E*_{ECL} to discriminate background from signal

$$E_{\text{extra}} = E_{\text{ECL}} = \sum_{i} E_{i}^{\gamma}$$





Signal

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$\mathscr{R}(D^*)$ and τ -Polarization

Phys.Rev.Lett.118,211801 (2017) [arXiv:1709.00129]

- Decay angles of $\tau \rightarrow \pi v$ and $\tau \rightarrow \rho v$ encode τ -polarisation, sensitive to NP!
 - Need to reconstruct helicity angle, but a-priorio *τ*-restframe not accessible
 - Luckily there is a relation between <(*τ*h) in *τ*v-frame and this angle
- Hadronic tagging essential to reconstruct this frame



$\mathscr{R}(D^*)$ and τ -Polarization



Signal extraction via EECL (unassigned energy in the calorimeter) and in two bins of helicity angle cosO_{hel} with binned likelihood fit



$\mathscr{R}(D^*)$ and τ -Polarization





- RD=297+-0.003, RD*=0.250+-0.003

See also: https://hflav-eos.web.cern.ch/hflav-eos/semi/spring19/html/RDsDsstar/RDRDs.html



Outlook for Belle II

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The tools are in place

arXiv:1807.08680 [hep-ex] arXiv:2008.06096 [hep-ex]





Estimated Belle II Sensitivities









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Let's say you want to use the measured R(D^(*)) ratios to learn something about the anomaly and your favorite model that could explain it!

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As it turns out, not that easy — the measured points themselves are extracted assuming the SM and kinematic distributions sensitive to the Pol are altering the measurement



Just fit ratios, hope that **bias** is small with respect to the current precision

Frankly a perfectly sane strategy; after all the experiments do not provide any other information one could use and not all measurements might have such a strong dependence as e.g. BaBar

What we should allow you to do

can do today

What you



#2

#1

Fold your model into the MC simulation, directly confront the data

Provide theorists with direct
measurements of Wilson
coefficients; these can be used to
confront your favorite model

a fairly prominent problem



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<u>Benefit:</u> no biases, more sensitivity as shape of <u>all</u> kinematic distributions help distinguish between models

The work program

0. Do the SM analyses :-)

It's a very sensible null-test in its own right and these are very complicated analyses by their own right.

1. Directly fit for Wilson coefficients c using experimental spectra, ideally combining the statistical power of several channels and observables

e.g. Belle II can access to several orthogonal measurements and properties



Example sensitivity for such an extraction using shape & normalization information in $p_{\ell}: m_{
m miss}^2$



The full work program: include the LHC



Adding additional observables (e.g. polarizations) is straightforward as the kinematic regions sensitive to such can be readily included

Drawback: FFs are convolved with measured Wilson Coefficient → we should provide the entire framework to allow future updates



Summary & Outlook

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Summary & Conclusions

Semileptonic offer excellent probe to search for new physics



Measurements of **semileptonic** decays with τ make use of **SM nature** of **process** in extraction $(q^2, m_{\text{miss}}^2, p_\ell)$, i.e. not straightforward to make interpretations of enhancements

Hint of Lepton Flavor Universality violation in combinations $\,\sim 3\sigma$

Latest measurements, however, show smaller overall tension with SM expectation.

Need new experimental measurements to confirm or rule out anomaly

Belle II will provide insights with **inclusive** and **exclusive** final states, also targeting **properties**.

Belle is preparing legacy measurement of $\mathscr{R}(D^{(*)})$ in had. tagged channel.

Measurements involving $b \to u \tau \bar{\nu}_{\tau}$ will require a lot of statistics, i.e. will not help to resolve things in the near future



Slightly dramatic example of what could happen



Note: the values were chosen intentionally not to reproduce the measured values to avoid the temptation to correct measured values..

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HAMMER offers a solution to these problems



https://hammer.physics.lbl.gov/

SM or Phase-space MC can be corrected to NP or FFs via ratio of event weights



sum independent of Wilson coefficients c_{α} \rightarrow can exploit this to create **fast predictions**





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1.1	2.0	-	-	0.3	1.7	1.7	2.2	-	-	-	8.3	8.3	8.3	-	-	-	8.3	8.3	8.3	-	50	50	50	-	50	50

 $\mathcal{R}(D^*)$

 $\mathscr{R}(D^{*+})$

Limiting Systematics

					Syste	ematic u	ncertainty [%	[[Total	uncert	. [%]
Result	Experiment	au decay	Tag	MC stats	$D^{(*)}l\nu$	$D^{**}l\nu$	Other bkg.	Other sources	Syst.	Stat.	Total
	BABAR ^a	$\ell u u$	Had.	5.7	2.5	5.8	3.9	0.9	9.6	13.1	16.2
$\mathcal{R}(D)$	$\operatorname{Belle}^{\mathrm{b}}$	$\ell u u$	Semil.	4.4	0.7	0.8	1.7	3.4	5.2	12.1	13.1
	$\operatorname{Belle}^{\operatorname{c}}$	$\ell u u$	Had.	4.4	3.3	4.4	0.7	0.5	7.1	17.1	18.5
	BABAR ^a	$\ell u u$	Had.	2.8	1.0	3.7	2.3	0.9	5.6	7.1	9.0
	$\operatorname{Belle}^{\mathrm{b}}$	$\ell u u$	Semil.	2.3	0.3	1.4	0.5	4.7	4.9	6.4	8.1
$\mathcal{R}(D^*)$	$\operatorname{Belle}^{\operatorname{c}}$	$\ell u u$	Had.	3.6	1.3	3.4	0.7	0.5	5.2	13.0	14.0
	$\operatorname{Belle}^{\operatorname{d}}$	$\pi u, ho u$	Had.	3.5	2.3	2.4	8.1	2.9	9.9	13.0	16.3
	$\mathrm{LHCb}^{\mathrm{e}}$	$\pi\pi\pi\pi(\pi^0)$	/	4.9	4.0	2.7	5.4	4.8	10.2	6.5	12.0
	LHCb ^f	$\mu u u$		6.3	2.2	2.1	5.1	2.0	8.9	8.0	12.0

Latest $R(D^{(*)})$ from Belle: Systematics

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nesun	Contribution	Sys.	Stat.
	$B \to D^{**} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$	0.8	
	PDF modeling	4.4	
	Other bkg.	2.0	
$\mathcal{R}(D)$	$\epsilon_{ m sig}/\epsilon_{ m norm}$	1.9	
	Total systematic	5.2	
	Total statistical		12.1
	Total	1	3.1
	$B \to D^{**} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$	1.4	
	PDF modeling	2.3	
	Other bkg.	1.4	
$\mathcal{R}(D^*)$	$\epsilon_{ m sig}/\epsilon_{ m norm}$	4.1	
	Total systematic	4.9	
	Total statistical		6.4
	Total		8.1

Contribution	Un	certainty	[%]
Contribution	Sys.	Ext.	Stat.
Double-charm bkg.	5.4		
Simulated sample size	4.9		
Corrections to simulation	3.0		
$B \to D^{**} l \nu$ bkg.	2.7		
Normalization yield	2.2		
Trigger	1.6		
PID	1.3		
Signal FFs	1.2		
Combinatorial bkg.	0.7		
Modeling of τ decay	0.4		
Total systematic	9.1		
$\mathcal{B}(B \to D^* \pi \pi \pi)$		3.9	
$\mathcal{B}(B \to D^* \ell \nu)$		2.3	
$\mathcal{B}(\tau^+ \to 3\pi\nu)/\mathcal{B}(\tau^+ \to 3\pi\pi^0\nu)$)	0.7	
Total external		4.6	
Total statistical			6.5
Total		12.0	

An illustrative Toy Example





Binned 2D fit in
$$m^2_{\mathrm{miss}}$$
 : $|p^*_{\ell}|$

Corresponds to a guestimate of how an analysis with 5/ab of Belle II data could look like in a single channel



A toy example

