**CKM Metrology: Theory** 

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# CKM Metrology: A success story

[CKMfitter, http://ckmfitter.in2p3.fr]



This talk: concentrate on new developments in  $V_{cb}$ .

# **B** Anomalies

There are anomalies in

- flavor changing neutral current (FCNC) decays  $b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$
- charged current decays  $b \rightarrow c\tau v$ .



Actually, there are two charged current anomalies

- Exclusive/inclusive V<sub>cb</sub>, V<sub>ub</sub> and
- Lepton flavor universality violation.

# What makes life harder

 Bound states of QCD introduce hadronic uncertainties.



The good thing:
 Decay modes w/ same underlying quark transition
 ⇒ Cross-checks.

# Importance of $|V_{cb}|$

- *V<sub>cb</sub>* is a fundamental parameter of the Standard Model.
- *V<sub>cb</sub>* plays an important role in the Unitarity Triangle.
   We want to overconstrain the triangle as a new physics test.
- $V_{cb}$  goes into the prediction of  $\varepsilon_K$  via

 $\varepsilon_K \propto x |V_{cb}|^4 + \dots$ 

- $V_{cb}$  goes into the predictions of flavor changing neutral currents.
- The ratio



directly constrains one side of the Unitarity Triangle.

### Exclusive vs. Inclusive $V_{cb}$ , $V_{ub}$ [HFLAV 1909.12524]



• Recent years: Enter era of precision measurements. New results from B-factories, new lattice form factor results.  $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\mu\nu) \qquad V_{ub}^2$ 

• 
$$\Lambda_b$$
 decays constrain  $\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b \to \mu\nu)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b \to \Lambda_c \mu\nu)} \propto \frac{V_{ub}}{V_{cb}^2}$ 

# Inclusive $V_{cb}$

- Operator product expansion: Double expansion in  $\alpha_s$  and  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_b$ .
- Parametrization of non-pert. physics by B meson matrix elements.
- Most recent global fit:
   [Gambino Healey Turzcyk 1606.06174]

 $|V_{cb}| = 42.00(64) \times 10^{-3}$ 

#### New developments

• Methodology with smaller number of HQE parameters.

[Fael Mannel Vos 1812.07472]

- Reducing uncertainties due to background processes in the inclusive determination of V<sub>cb</sub>.
   [Mannel Rahimi Vos 2105.02163]
- Inclusive semi-leptonic decays on the lattice.

[Gambino Hashimoto 2005.13730]

### Three-body decay: Nontrivial kinematical dependences



Fit: [Bigi Gambino StS 1703.06124] Data: [Belle, 1702.01521]

- Invariant lepton mass squared  $q^2 = (p_B p_{D^*})^2 = (p_l + p_v)^2$ .
- Dimensionless quantity  $w = \frac{m_B^2 + m_{D^*}^2 q^2}{2m_B m_{D^*}}$
- High  $q^2 \Leftrightarrow \text{low } w$ . Low  $q^2 \Leftrightarrow \text{high } w$ .

# Form Factors for Exclusive Decays



Example:

$$\langle D(k)|\bar{c}\gamma^{\mu}b\left|\bar{B}(p)\right\rangle = \left((p+k)^{\mu} - \frac{m_B^2 - m_D^2}{q^2}\right)f_+^{B\to D}(q^2) + \left(\frac{m_B^2 - m_D^2}{q^2}q^{\mu}\right)f_0^{B\to D}(q^2)$$

- Information on form factors:
  - Lattice QCD.
  - Light Cone Sum Rules (LCSR, at low  $q^2 \Leftrightarrow \text{high } w$ ).
  - Heavy Quark Expansion.
  - Experiment.

# Fit to 2017/18 Belle Data + Lattice $A_1(1)$

[Bigi Gambino StS 1703.06124, Grinstein Kobach 1703.08170, Bigi Gambino StS 1707.09509,

#### Gambino Jung StS 1905.08209]



• Our global  $B \to D^* l \nu$  fit gives  $|V_{cb}| = (39.6^{+1.1}_{-1.0}) \times 10^{-3}$ .

- Differs from inclusive determination by  $1.9\sigma$ .
- Truncation of BGL series when additional terms do not change fit.
   No overfitting, stable fit.

# Additional Theory Input on Form Factors: HQET

#### Heavy Quark Effective Theory and QCD sum rules (HQET)

[Bernlochner Ligeti Papucci Robinson 1703.05330, Caprini Lellouch Neubert hep-ph/9712417, Luke Phys.Lett B252,447 (1990), Neubert Rieckert Nucl. Phys. B382, 97 (1992) Neubert hep-ph/9306320, Ligeti Neubert Nir hep-ph/9209271, 9212266, 9305304]

- Important constraints for all  $B^{(*)} \rightarrow D^{(*)}$  form factors.
- In the heavy quark limit  $m_{c,b} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  all  $B^{(*)} \rightarrow D^{(*)}$  form factors either vanish or are proportional to 1 Isgur-Wise (IW) function.
- NLO corrections at  $O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_{c,b}, \alpha_s)$  known, expressible with 3 subleading IW functions, which are extracted using QCDSRs.

#### Form factor ratios $R_{1,2}$ compared to HQET estimates [Gambino Jung StS 1905.08209]



Weak unitarity; strong unitarity; weak unitarity+LCSR, respectively.
Good agreement with HQET.

# Heavy Quark Expansion at Higher orders

#### Meson decays: "Update" of CLN

[Bernlochner Ligeti Papucci Robinson 1703.05330, Gubernari Kokulu van Dyk 1811.00983, Bordone Jung van Dyk 1908.09398, Bordone Gubernari Jung van Dyk 1912.09335]

- Heavy-Quark Expansion to  $O(\alpha_s, 1/m_b, 1/m_c^2)$ .
- Combining new LCSR results and lattice input.
- Consistency between HQE and BGL fits.

#### Baryon decays

• Heavy quark expansion of  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c l \nu$  to  $O(\alpha_s/m_{b,c}, 1/m_c^2)$ . Predictions in terms of only 2 sub-subleading Isgur-Wise functions.

[Bernlochner Ligeti Robinson Sutcliffe 1812.07593]

• Heavy quark expansion for  $\Lambda_b \to \Lambda_c^* l \nu$  to  $O(\alpha_s, 1/m_{b,c})$ .

[Papucci Robinson 2105.09330]

Baryon FFs from lattice.

[Meinel et al 2103.08775, 1702.02243, 1503.01421]

#### **NEW:** Non-zero recoil $B \rightarrow D^*$ FFs from Lattice QCD [FNAL/MILC 2105.14019]



Tension between slope from lattice and experimental data.

• Agreement over whole kinematic range at  $\approx 2\sigma$ .

• Result: 
$$|V_{cb}| = (38.57 \pm 0.70_{\text{th}} \pm 0.34_{\text{exp}}) \times 10^{-3}$$
.

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#### Lattice only prediction $R(D^*)_{\text{Lat}} = 0.266 \pm 0.014$ [FNAL/MILC 2105.14019]



 More from lattice: [JLQCD 1912.11770], [LANL/SWME 2003.09206], [Martinelli et al 2105.08674, 2105.07851]
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#### **NEW:** Full $q^2$ range $B_s \rightarrow D_s^*$ FFs from Lattice QCD [HPQCD 2105.11433]



• Results:  $|V_{cb}| = 43.0(2.1)_{\text{latt}}(1.7)_{\exp}(0.4)_{\text{EM}} \cdot 10^{-3}$ . Lattice-only  $R(D_s^{*-})$ . • Also available:  $B_c \to J/\psi l \nu$  in full  $q^2$  range [HPQCD 2007.06956]

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 $e - \mu$  non-universality in  $B \rightarrow D^* l \nu$  ?

- [Belle 1809.03290] finds  $\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to D^{*-}e^+\nu_e)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \to D^{*-}\mu^+\nu_\mu)} = 1.01 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.03$ .
- [Bobeth van Dyk Bordone Jung Gubernari 2104.02094] extract from angular distributions of same Belle data set the observable

$$\Delta A_{FB} \equiv A_{FB}^{(\boldsymbol{\mu})} - A_{FB}^{(\boldsymbol{e})} \neq 0 \quad \text{at} \sim 4\sigma.$$

• Physical or artifact? More study needed.



# Conclusion

For now, the two anomalies in charged currents persist:

- Exclusive/inclusive V<sub>cb</sub>, V<sub>ub</sub> and
- Lepton flavor universality violation.

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Review

#### Challenges in semileptonic B decays

P. Gambino<sup>1,a</sup>, A. S. Kronfeld<sup>2</sup>, M. Rotondo<sup>3</sup>, C. Schwanda<sup>4</sup>, F. Bernlochner<sup>5</sup>, A. Bharucha<sup>6</sup>, C. Bozzi<sup>7</sup>, M. Calvi<sup>8</sup>, L. Cao<sup>5</sup>, G. Ciezarek<sup>9</sup>, C. T. H. Davies<sup>10</sup>, A. X. El-Khadra<sup>11</sup>, S. Hashimoto<sup>12</sup>, M. Jung<sup>1</sup>, A. Khodjamirian<sup>13</sup>, Z. Ligeti<sup>14</sup>, E. Lunghi<sup>15</sup>, V. Lüth<sup>16</sup>, T. Mannel<sup>13</sup>, S. Meinel<sup>17</sup>, G. Paz<sup>18</sup>, S. Schacht<sup>1,19</sup>, S. Simula<sup>20</sup>, W. Sutcliffe<sup>5</sup>, A. Vaquero Avilés-Casco<sup>21</sup>

# Everything you always wanted to ask about semileptonic decays 2006.07287



# **Unitarity Constraints**

[Boyd Grinstein Lebed 1994, 1997]

Use dispersion relations to relate physical semileptonic region

$$m_l^2 \le q^2 \le (m_B - m_D)^2$$
,  $q^2 \equiv (p_B - p_{D^*})^2$ ,

to pair-production region beyond threshold

$$q^2 \ge (m_B + m_D)^2$$
, with poles at  $q^2 = m_{B_c}^2$ .

Constrain form factors in pair-production region with pert. QCD.

Translate constraint to semileptonic region using analyticity.

# Model independent form factor parametrization

[Boyd Grinstein Lebed (BGL), hep-ph/9412324, hep-ph/9504235, hep-ph/9705252]

Boyd Grinstein Lebed parametrization

$$\begin{aligned} f_i(z) &= \frac{1}{B_i(z)\phi_i(z)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n^i z^n ,\\ z &= \frac{\sqrt{1+w} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1+w} + \sqrt{2}} , \qquad w = \frac{m_B^2 + m_{D^*}^2 - q^2}{2m_B m_{D^*}} \end{aligned}$$

• 0 < z < 0.056 for  $B \to D^* l \nu \Rightarrow$  truncation at N = 2 enough,  $z^3 \sim 10^{-4}$ .

- $B_i(z)$ : "Blaschke factor": removes poles.
- $\phi_i(z)$ : phase space factors.
- Where should one truncate the series?
- Where adding more terms becomes irrelevant: Stability of central values and errors, especially of V<sub>cb</sub>.

# **Unitarity Constraints**

Use basic properties of QCD:

Unitarity, crossing symmetry, analyticity, dispersion relations.

#### (Weak) Unitarity Conditions

Vector current:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left( a_n^{V_4} \right)^2 \le 1 \, .$$

• Axial vector current:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left( \left( a_n^{A_1} \right)^2 + \left( a_n^{A_5} \right)^2 \right) \le 1 \,.$$

# Strong Unitarity Constraints

• Use HQET information on further  $b \rightarrow c$  channels:

 $B \to D, B^* \to D, B^* \to D^*$ , to relate them to  $B \to D^*$ .

• Make the unitarity bounds stronger:

[BGL, hep-ph/9705252]

$$\sum_{i=1}^{H} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_{in}^2}{2} \le 1. \quad \text{for } S, P, V, A \text{ currents}$$

- Vary QCDSR parameters + higher order corrections: obtain many different unitarity bounds.
- Take their envelope as side condition in the fit.



# Parametrization employing unitarity+heavy-quark exp.

Practical Caprini Lellouch Neubert parametrization as employed in experimental analyses

$$\begin{split} h_{A_1}(w) &= h_{A_1}(1) \left( 1 - 8\rho^2 z + (53\rho^2 - 15)z^2 - (231\rho^2 - 91)z^3 \right), \\ R_1(w) &= R_1(1) - 0.12(w-1) + 0.05(w-1)^2, \\ R_2(w) &= R_2(1) + 0.11(w-1) - 0.06(w-1)^2. \end{split}$$

- Theoretical uncertainties pointed out in [CLN, hep-ph/9712417], e.g. for slope and curvature of form factor ratios *R*<sub>1</sub> and *R*<sub>2</sub> were set to zero.
- Appropriate at the time.
- At current experimental precision, theoretical uncertainties of fixed parameters need to be taken into account.

Status  $R(D^{(*)})$  combined: 3.08 $\sigma$  [HFLAV 1909.12524]



Anatomy of 
$$R(D^*) \equiv \frac{\int_1^{w\tau, \max} dw \, d\Gamma_{\tau}/dw}{\int_1^{w\max} dw \, d\Gamma/dw}$$

Differential decay rate for  $B \rightarrow D^* \tau \nu_{\tau}$ 

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{\tau}}{dw} = \frac{d\Gamma_{\tau,1}}{dw} + \frac{d\Gamma_{\tau,2}}{dw}$$
$$\frac{d\Gamma_{\tau,1}}{dw} = \left(1 - \frac{m_{\tau}^2}{q^2}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{m_{\tau}^2}{(2q^2)}\right) \frac{d\Gamma}{dw}$$
$$\frac{d\Gamma_{\tau,2}}{dw} = |V_{cb}|^2 \frac{m_{\tau}^2}{m_{\tau}^2} \times \text{kinematics} \times P_1(z)^2$$

- $d\Gamma/dw$ : Measured differential decay rate of  $B \rightarrow D^*lv$  with  $m_l = 0$ , depends on axial vector form factors  $A_1, A_5$  and vector form factor  $V_4$ .
- *P*<sub>1</sub>: Additional unconstrained pseudoscalar form factor.
- $d\Gamma_{\tau,2}/dw$  contributes ~ 10% to  $R(D^*)$ .
- Common normalization/notation:

$$R_0 = \frac{P_1}{A_1} = 1$$
 in heavy quark limit [BGL, hep-ph/9705252

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