

$B \rightarrow D^{(*)}$ form factors at large recoil from QCD Light-Cone Sum Rules

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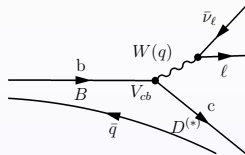
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Semileptonic decays and form factors

Exclusive semileptonic decays of $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu_\ell$

→ important for determination of V_{cb}

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu_\ell)}(q^2)}{dq^2} \sim |V_{cb}|^2 \cdot \left| \langle D^{(*)} | \bar{c} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) b | B \rangle \right|^2$$



Transition matrix elements are parametrized by **form factors**:

$$\langle D(p') | \bar{c} \gamma^\mu b | B(p) \rangle = (p^\mu + p'^\mu) \cdot f_+(q^2) + (p^\mu - p'^\mu) \cdot f_-(q^2)$$

$$\langle D^*(p', \epsilon) | \bar{c} \gamma^\mu b | B(p) \rangle = \frac{2V(q^2)}{m_B + m_{D^*}} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \epsilon_\nu^* p_\alpha p'_\beta \quad (q^\mu = p^\mu - p'^\mu)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle D^*(p', \epsilon) | \bar{c} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 b | B(p) \rangle &= i\epsilon^{*\mu} (m_B + m_{D^*}) \cdot A_1(q^2) \\ &\quad - i(\epsilon^* \cdot q) (p^\mu + p'^\mu) \cdot \frac{A_2(q^2)}{m_B + m_{D^*}} \\ &\quad - i(\epsilon^* \cdot q) (p^\mu - p'^\mu) \cdot \frac{2m_{D^*}}{q^2} (A_3(q^2) - A_0(q^2)) \end{aligned}$$

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Form-factor definition convenient in HQET:

$$\left(w = v \cdot v' = \frac{1}{2 m_B m_{D(*)}} (m_B^2 + m_{D(*)}^2 - q^2) \right)$$

$$\frac{\langle D(v') | V^\mu | \bar{B}(v) \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_D}} = h_+(w)(v + v')^\mu + h_-(w)(v - v')^\mu \quad \frac{\langle D^*(v', \epsilon) | V^\mu | \bar{B}(v) \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_D^*}} = h_V(w) \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \epsilon_\nu^* v'_\alpha v_\beta$$

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HQET-prediction in heavy-mass limit: $m_b, m_c \rightarrow \infty$:

$$h_+(w) = h_V(w) = h_{A_1}(w) = h_{A_3}(w) = \xi(w)$$

$$h_-(w) = h_{A_2}(w) = 0$$

→ Isgur-Wise-function $\xi(w)$

zero-recoil-point $w = 1 \rightarrow \xi(1) = 1$

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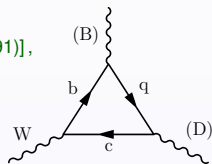
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 - No description of the form factors far from $w = 1$
→ Analytic continuation to $w > 1$ is done.
 - Experimental data on the $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}$ form factor shape available.
[BABAR('08)], [Belle('02)]
- Direct theoretical prediction at $w > 1$ desirable.

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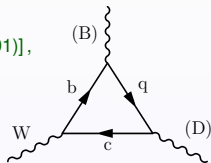
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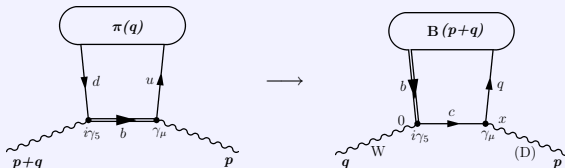


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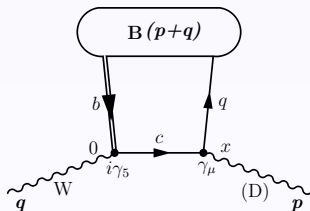


- Today very elaborate LCSR-calculation for heavy-to-light transitions ($B \rightarrow \pi$, etc.)
 - Well-known pion-distribution amplitudes are used.
- Now new approach: use sum rules with B-meson-distribution amplitudes.



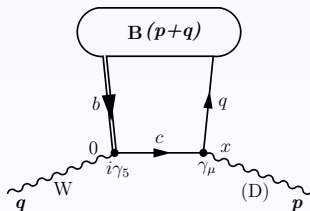
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Do two steps:

- \rightarrow Represent by hadronic quantities.
- \rightarrow Calculate via OPE.

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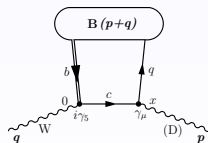
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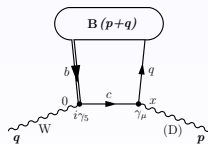
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- Light-cone dominance in a certain kinematic region: $x^2 \simeq 0$

→ Contraction of $c(x) \bar{c}(0)$ to free quark propagator

(OPE: **light-cone expansion**)

$$F_{ab}(p, q) = i \int d^4x \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} e^{i(p-k)x} \left[\Gamma_a \frac{(k + m_c)}{k^2 - m_c^2} \Gamma_b \right]_{\beta\alpha} \langle 0 | T \{ \bar{q}_\alpha(x) h_{V\beta}(0) \} | B_V \rangle$$



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- Light-cone expansion: only applicable for c -quark far enough off-shell
- translated into kinematical region: q^2 far enough from zero-recoil point q_{max}^2
- Opposite edge of phase space than Heavy Quark Symmetry and Lattice QCD

decay	$B \rightarrow D$	$B \rightarrow D^*$
kinematical region for q^2 [GeV^2]	0 – 11.6	0 – 10.7
applicable region in LCSR [GeV^2]	$q^2 \lesssim 8 \leftrightarrow w \gtrsim 1.3$	

Calculation of the correlation function

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- The remaining **matrix element** is parametrized by two nonperturbative **B-meson light-cone distribution amplitudes** $\phi_+(\omega), \phi_-(\omega)$.

$$\langle 0 | \bar{q}_\alpha(x) h_{V\beta}(0) | B_V \rangle = -\frac{i f_B m_B}{4} \int_0^\infty d\omega e^{-i\omega v \cdot x} \left[(1 + \not{v}) \left\{ \phi_+(\omega) - \frac{\phi_+(\omega) - \phi_-(\omega)}{2 v \cdot x} \not{x} \right\} \gamma_5 \right]_{\beta\alpha}$$

- One (dimensionful) variable ω :
projection of the light-quark momentum onto the light-cone

Summary

Approximating of hadronic representation and OPE-calculation \rightarrow sum rule.

Correlation function:

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hadronic dispersion relation



OPE & light-cone expansion

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$\sim f_+, f_-$

form factors



$\sim \phi_+, \phi_-$

distribution amplitudes



- \rightarrow quark-hadron-duality (parameter s_0)
- \rightarrow Borel-transformation (parameter M^2)

\implies **Sum rule:**

$$f_+(q^2), f_-(q^2) = f[\phi_+(\omega), \phi_-(\omega)]$$

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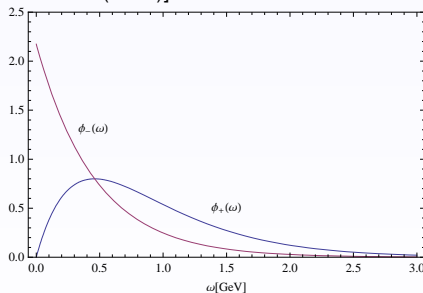
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- Here: Exponential model [Grozin and Neubert (1997)]

$$\phi_+(\omega) = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0^2} e^{-\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}}$$

$$\phi_-(\omega) = \frac{1}{\omega_0} e^{-\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_B} = \int_0^\infty d\omega \frac{\phi_+(\omega)}{\omega} \quad \omega_0 = \lambda_B$$

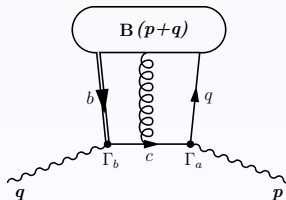


- Still big uncertainty: $\lambda_B = (0.46 \pm 0.11) \text{ GeV}$
from 2-point sum rules [Braun,Ivanov,Korchemsky('03)]

B-meson 3-particle distribution amplitudes

Higher-order correction: 3-particle Fock-state

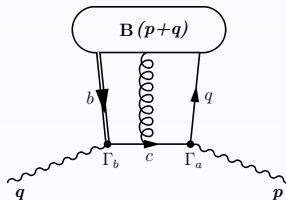
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 & \left. \left\{ (v_\lambda \gamma_\rho - v_\rho \gamma_\lambda) (\Psi_A(\omega, \xi) - \Psi_V(\omega, \xi)) - i\sigma_{\lambda\rho} \Psi_V(\omega, \xi) \right. \right. \\
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New sum-rule based exponential model: [Khodjamirian, Mannel and Offen (2007)]

$$\Psi_A(\omega, \xi) = \Psi_V(\omega, \xi) = \frac{\lambda_E^2}{6\omega_0^4} \xi^2 e^{-\frac{(\omega+\xi)}{\omega_0}}$$

$$X_A(\omega, \xi) = \frac{\lambda_E^2}{6\omega_0^4} \xi(2\omega - \xi) e^{-\frac{(\omega+\xi)}{\omega_0}}$$

$$Y_A(\omega, \xi) = -\frac{\lambda_E^2}{24\omega_0^4} \xi(7\omega_0 - 13\omega + 3\xi) e^{-\frac{(\omega+\xi)}{\omega_0}}$$

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Results for the form factors

Example for the sum rule structure: $f_+(q^2)$

M^2 : Borel-parameter, s_0 : duality-parameter

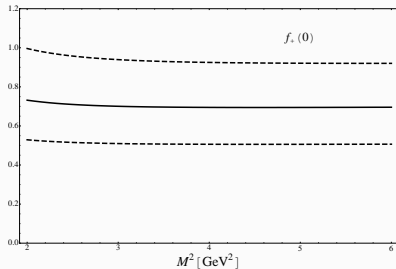
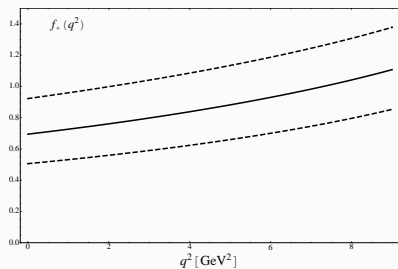
$$\begin{aligned}
 f_+(q^2) = & \frac{f_B m_C}{2f_D m_D^2} \int_0^{\omega_0(q^2, s_0)} d\omega \exp\left(\frac{-s(\omega, q^2) + m_D^2}{M^2}\right) \\
 & \times \left\{ \frac{(m_B - \omega + m_C) \phi_+(\omega) - \Phi_{\pm}(\omega)}{\left(1 - \frac{\omega}{m_B}\right)} \right. \\
 & - \frac{1}{(m_B - \omega)^2 + m_C^2 - q^2} \left(\frac{2m_B m_C (m_B - \omega) (m_B - \omega + m_C)}{(m_B - \omega)^2 + m_C^2 - q^2} \Phi_{\pm}(\omega) \right. \\
 & \left. \left. + m_B m_C \left((m_B - \omega + m_C) (\phi_+(\omega) - \phi_-(\omega)) - \Phi_{\pm}(\omega) \right) \right) \right\} \\
 & + (\Delta f_+(q^2))_{3\text{-particle}}
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$$s(\omega, q^2) = \omega m_B + \frac{m_B m_C^2 - \omega q^2}{m_B - \omega}$$

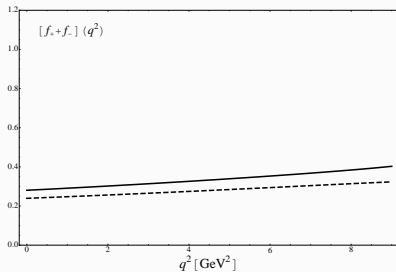
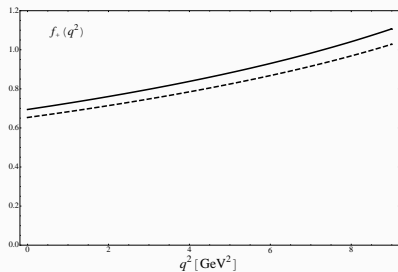
$$\Phi_{\pm}(\omega) = \int_0^{\infty} d\tau (\phi_+(\tau) - \phi_-(\tau))$$

$$\omega_0(q^2, s_0) = \frac{1}{2m_B} \left(m_B^2 - q^2 + s_0 - \sqrt{4(m_C^2 - s_0)m_B^2 + (m_B^2 - q^2 + s_0)^2} \right)$$

$f_+(q^2)$ with uncertainty (left) and M^2 -dependence (right)

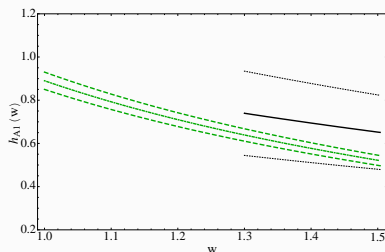
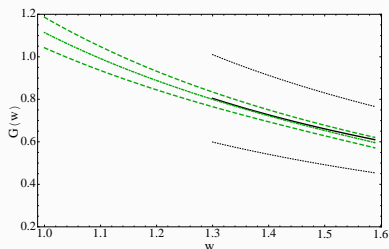


$B \rightarrow D$ -form factors (straight line) and only 2-particle contributions (dashed)



Comparison with experiment (BABAR '08)

Form factors $\mathcal{G}(w)$, $h_{A_1}(w)$ [LCSR: ($w = 1.3 - w_{max}$), exp.: ($w = 1 - w_{max}$)]



Sum rules only applicable far enough from $w = 1$: $w \simeq 1.3 - w_{max}$

Fit to experimental data with parametrization: [Caprini, Lellouch, Neubert '97]

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

$$f_+(q^2) \triangleq \mathcal{G}(w) = \mathcal{G}(1) \left(1 - 8\rho^2 z(w) + (51\rho^2 - 10)z(w)^2 - (252\rho^2 - 84)z(w)^3 \right)$$

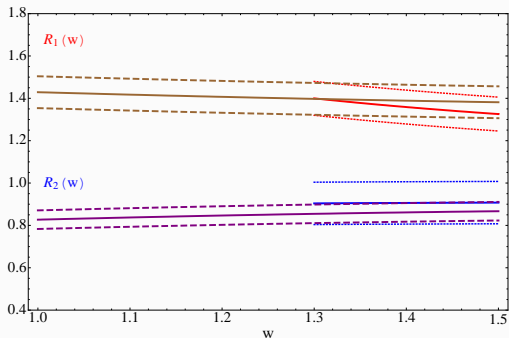
→ Normalization for exp. data $h_{A_1}(1)$, $\mathcal{G}(1)$ from lattice-QCD

$$z(w) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{w+1} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{w+1} + \sqrt{2}} \right)$$

Comparison with experiment (BABAR '08)

$$R_1(w) = \frac{h_V(w)}{h_{A_1}(w)} \quad R_2(w) = \frac{\frac{m_{D^*}}{m_B} h_{A_2}(w) + h_{A_3}(w)}{h_{A_1}(w)}$$

Ratios $R_1(w), R_2(w)$ [LCSR: ($w = 1.3 - 1.5$), exp.: ($w = 1 - 1.5$)]



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

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

In the ratios the normalizations cancel: \rightarrow more precise prediction

Discussion of the $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}$ -results

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- Expansion in powers of $\frac{1}{m_b}$ and $\frac{1}{m_c}$:
→ Analysis of heavy mass corrections.
Sum rules fulfill the Heavy Quark symmetry relations for $m_b, m_c \rightarrow \infty$.
→ Allows determination of the Isgur-Wise-Function.

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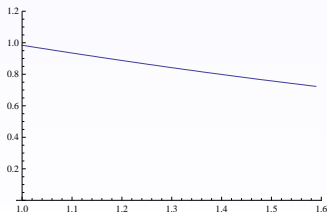
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- Independent of mass ratio κ
- Numerical (within uncertainty) the right value:

$$\xi(1) \simeq 1$$

- Deviation to finite-mass values
(at $w = w_{max}$)

$\sim 20 - 25\% \rightarrow 1/m\text{-corrections}$



Summary and Outlook

- New exploratory study for description of $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}$ -decays.
- Important cross-check for the determination of V_{cb}
→ possible future applications with more precise input values.
- Applicable far from zero-recoil point, where other methods are not optimal.
- Encouraging results:
agreement with experiment and right behaviour for $m_c, m_b \rightarrow \infty$

- In the future: study of perturbative corrections.
- Also possible issues:
 - consideration of further dirac structures
(tensor form factor, $B \rightarrow D^{**}, \dots$).
 - further analysis of heavy quark mass expansion.