

The Anatomy of semileptonic Decays

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Topic is much more extensive of what I will cover in O(1h + Questions)

Reviews (RMPs) on the subject :

Mannel, Dingfelder

Richman, Burchat

Bernlochner, Robinson, Franco Sevilla, Wormser

Attached to the agenda :-)

In addition: some notes on $B \to D \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$ are also attached





1) Overview



Let's take a deep dive



... they are responsible for some of the longstanding **discrepancies** since about a decade





Why is it important to measure $|V_{ub}| \& |V_{cb}|$?



Nobel prize 2008



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charged Higgs bosons

Leptoquarks



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Step 2: Measure how often such a process occurs



and compare this with the expectation from theory w/o CKM factors (or $V_{ab} = 1$)

Mathematically: $\mathscr{B}(b \to qW) \propto |V_{qb}|^2$

Predicted partial rate sans CKM factors (or with $V_{qb} = 1$) $\Gamma(b \rightarrow qW)$

Both quantities are connected as

$$|V_{qb}|^2 \frac{\Gamma(b \to qW)}{\Gamma(b \to \text{Everything})} = \mathscr{B}(b \to qW)$$

so we can solve this using $\tau_b = \hbar/\Gamma(b \rightarrow \text{Everything})$

$$|V_{qb}| = \sqrt{\frac{\mathscr{B}(b \to qW)}{\tau_b \Gamma(b \to qW)}} \quad \mbox{Measured by experiment}} \quad \label{eq:Vqb}$$

Great, now we only have to identify suitable processes for this:

1. Complication: Quarks are not free particles

i.e. initial and final state quarks will be bound in hadrons (mesons or baryons)

2. Complication: We need a process, we can describe well from a theory point of view

final states involving $W^- \to q \bar{q}'$ introduce additional CKM factors (a priori fine), but also have **color charged constituents**



 \bar{q}

So what are the choices?

1) Hadronic decays

→ theory very hard, experimentally "easy"

2) Leptonic decays

→ theory "easy"
experimentally very hæd
$$\mathscr{B}(B \to \mu \bar{\nu}_{\mu}) \sim 10^{-7}$$

 $\mathscr{B}(B \to \tau \bar{\nu}_{\tau}) \sim 10^{-4}$

$$B^{-} \xrightarrow{b} W \xrightarrow{\bar{\nu}_{\ell} \overline{\nu}_{e}} e^{-}$$

$$e^{-} e^{-}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\pi^{-} \to e^{-})}{\Gamma(\pi^{-} \to \mu^{-})} \xrightarrow{c^{-} \mu^{-}} e^{-}$$

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How are we doing?



Why is it important to measure $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$?







Experimental status:

 $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu \overline{\nu}) = \left(10.6^{+4.0}_{-3.5} \pm 0.3\right) \times 10^{-11}$



Uncertainty Sources

 K_L Experiment for VEry Rare events

or in the future

KLEVER

Let's first have a look at some of the kinematics



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Let's assume we are in the rest frame of the B:

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_B \\ \mathbf{p}_B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} m_B \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which variables describe the final state? Let's for now assume we look at a final state that is a resonance

$$X_c \in \{D, D^*, D^{**}, \dots\}$$

 $X_u \in \{\pi, \rho, f_0, \dots\}$

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If we look at final states with a **fixed mass** m_X , we can describe them with **two** kinematic quantities :

$$q^{2} = (p_{\ell} + p_{\nu})^{2} = (p_{B} - p_{X})^{2} \qquad E_{\ell} = \frac{p_{B}p_{\ell}}{m_{B}}$$

$$m_{\ell}^{2} \leq q^{2} \leq (m_{B} - m_{X})^{2} \qquad m_{\ell} \leq E_{\ell} \leq \frac{1}{2m_{B}} \left(m_{B}^{2} - m_{X}^{2} + m_{\ell}^{2}\right)$$

$$e.g. \qquad \bigwedge_{B} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}_{\ell}}{\underset{\ell}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}_{\ell}}{\underset{R}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}_{\ell}}{\underset{R}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}_{\ell}}{\underset{R}{\longrightarrow}} \ell \qquad \chi \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}_{\ell}}{\underset{\ell}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}_{R}}{\underset{R}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}_{\ell}}{\underset{R}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}}{\underset{R}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}}{\underset{R}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}}{\underset{R}}{\underset{R}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{\tilde{\nu}}}{\underset$$



The various semileptonic modes have spectra with **different endpoints**, e.g. for $B \to X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$ and $B \to X_u \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$:



These already can give you some **experimental intuition**: e.g. if you want to measure $B \to X_u \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$ its much easier beyond the endpoint of $B \to X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$

In the context of the **heavy-quark expansion**, it is convenient to introduce **velocities** instead of momenta.

E.g. for the case of heavy mesons like B and D^* one defines

$$v_B = \frac{p_B}{m_B}, \quad v_{D^{(*)}} = \frac{p_{D^{(*)}}}{m_{D^{(*)}}}, \quad w = v_B v_{D^{(*)}}$$

Here w is the scalar product of the two velocities and used instead of q^2

They are related via $q^2 = m_B^2 + m_{D^{(*)}}^2 - 2m_B m_{D^{(*)}} w$

Note that :

$$w = 1 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad q_{\max}^2 = (m_B - m_{D^{(*)}})^2$$

While $q^2 = m_\ell^2 \approx 0$ for light leptons results in the maximal value of w

$$\rightarrow 1 \le w \le \frac{m_B^2 + m_{D^{(*)}}^2 - m_{\ell}^2}{2m_B m_{D^{(*)}}}$$

All these quantities are useful, since they **encode** the **non-perturbative decay dynamics**, i.e. you can combine **differential shapes** (or **moments of differential spectra**) with predictions from theory to determine or constrain non-perturbative QCD



If the final state meson carries spin, **information** is also encoded into the **decay angles**



Angle between D flight direction in D* rest frame with respect to D* direction in B rest frame



2) Touch and go





Overview



 D/D^* saturate ~75% of the inclusive $B \to X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$ rate and are the **principal route** to V_{cb}

 D^{**} saturate ~15% of the inclusive $B \to X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$ rate, mostly are perceived as background

 $\mathcal{B}(\mathrm{B}^+ \to X^{0}_{\mathrm{c}} \ell^+ \nu_{\ell}) \approx 10.79 \,\%$

${ m D}^0\ell^+ u_\ell\ 2.31\%$		${ m D}^{*0}\ell^+ u_\ell$ 5.05%			$D^{**0}\ell^+ u_\ell$ - 2.38	$\begin{array}{c c} - & \text{Other} & \text{Gap} \\ \hline & & \sim 1.05 \% \end{array}$
Decay		$\mathcal{B}(B^+)$	$\mathcal{B}(I)$	(3^{0})		
$B \to D \ell^+ \nu_\ell \\ B \to D^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$	(2.4 ± 0.5) (5.5 ± 0.5)	$(.1) \times 10^{-2}$ $(.1) \times 10^{-2}$	$(2.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10$ $(5.1 \pm 0.1) \times 10$	$)^{-2}$	Fairl Some i	y well known. so-spin tension.
$B \to D_1 \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $B \to D_2^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $B \to D_0^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $B \to D_1' \ell^+ \nu_\ell$	(6.6 ± 0.0) (2.9 ± 0.0) (4.2 ± 0.0) (4.2 ± 0.0)	$(.1) \times 10^{-3}$ $(.3) \times 10^{-3}$ $(.8) \times 10^{-3}$ $(.9) \times 10^{-3}$	$(6.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10$ $(2.7 \pm 0.3) \times 10$ $(3.9 \pm 0.7) \times 10$ $(3.9 \pm 0.8) \times 10$	$)^{-3}$ $)^{-3}$ $)^{-3}$	Broad 3 m (BaBar	states based on easurements. ; Belle, DELPHI)
$B \to D\pi\pi \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $B \to D^*\pi\pi \ell^+ \nu_\ell$	(0.6 ± 0.6) (2.2 ± 1.6)	$(.9) \times 10^{-3}$ $(.0) \times 10^{-3}$	$(0.6 \pm 0.9) \times 10$ $(2.0 \pm 1.0) \times 10$	$)^{-3}$) ⁻³	Sor the	ne hints from BaBar result.
$B \to X_c \ell \nu_\ell$	(10.8 ± 0.01)	$(12)^{*}$? .4) × 10 ⁻²	$(10.1 \pm 0.4) imes 10$) ⁻²		Image crec

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- + Very high efficiency
- + Measurement of absolute branching fractions straightforward (depends on total # of $N_{B\bar{B}}$, understanding efficiencies)
- Less experimental control, e.g. more background from $e^+e^+ \to q\bar{q}$
- Cannot directly access signal B rest frame, need tricks



- + High degree of experimental control, e.g. can identify all final state particles with either the signal or the tag side
- + If hadronic modes for tagging are used, can reconstruct B rest frame
- Understanding efficiencies is difficult
- Low efficiency reduces the effective statistical power

Tagging in a nutshell



Candidates reconstructed with hierarchical approach via e.g. neural networks (FR) or boosted decision trees (FEI)

Over 10'000 decay cascades with an efficiency of 0.28% / 0.18% for B^{\pm} and B^0/\bar{B}^0



E.g. train a classifier to identify correctly reconstructed electron candidates:

Input variables: all four momenta & particle identification scores

Output: Score \mathcal{O}_e

Apply mild selection on \mathcal{O}_e to reduce # of candidate particles

Then train a classifier to identify correctly reconstructed J/ψ candidates

Input variables: all four momenta and output scores of previous layer

Output variable: $\mathcal{O}_{J/\psi}[...]$






Output classifier = Measure of how well we reconstructed the B-Meson decay



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e.g.



3.0

2.5



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-2.5

1.0

1.5



2.0

p^{*} (GeV/*c*)



Unbiased calibration very challenging :

-π

Calibration shows signal side dependence

Calibration also dependent on **composition** of **tag-side candidates** and fraction of **good** versus **bad tags**



One needs to carefully check these issues; best to carrv out self calibration whenever possible -πππ- ¹0 ⁽ D⁰K₋ D*0K D⁰K $\bar{\mathbb{D}}^{0}\pi^{+}\pi^{-}$ + ド + See d.g. PhD thesis of Kilian Lieret: https://edoc.ub.uni-r Ò ππ

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Tagged measurements of $B \to D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$

Target B^0 and B^+ and reconstruct D in many modes : $D^+ \to K^- \pi^+ \pi^+, D^+ \to K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^0,$ $D^+ \to K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-, D^+ \to K^0_S \pi^+, D^+ \to K^0_S \pi^+ \pi^0,$ $D^+ \to K^0_S \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-, D^+ \to K^0_S K^+, D^+ \to K^+ K^- \pi^+,$ $D^0 \to K^- \pi^+, D^0 \to K^- \pi^+ \pi^0, D^0 \to K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-,$ $D^0 \to K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0, D^0 \to K^0_S \pi^0, D^0 \to K^0_S \pi^+ \pi^-,$ $D^0 \to K^0_S \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0, \text{ and } D^0 \to K^- K^+.$

Reconstruct $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+, D^{*+} \rightarrow D^+ \pi^0, D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$

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Background subtraction:

Need to subtract residual **background** contributions:

- From other SL decays $(B \to D^{**}\ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell} \text{ or } B \to D\ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell})$
- From other B decays (with fake or real leptons)
- From Continuum ($e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$)

Key idea :
$$p_{B_{\text{sig}}} = p_{e^+e^-} - p_{B_{\text{tag}}}$$

Background subtraction:



MC modelling of $M_{\rm miss}^2$ challenging

Need to apply additional corrections to match actual resolution



E.g. use an appropriate smearing function

(e.g. asymmetric Laplace distribution and as a function of $m_{\rm hc}$)

Fit in Bins of $\{w, \cos \theta_{\ell}, \cos \theta_{V}, \chi\}$

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Example 1D fits to MC (Asimov fits)



Best approach: use folding to extract relevant information

$$\frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta^* d\cos\theta_\ell d\chi} = \frac{9}{32\pi} \left[\left(I_1^s \sin^2\theta^* + I_1^c \cos^2\theta^* \right) + \left(I_2^s \sin^2\theta^* + I_2^c \cos^2\theta^* \right) \cos 2\theta_\ell \right. \\ \left. + I_3 \sin^2\theta^* \sin^2\theta_\ell \cos 2\chi + I_4 \sin 2\theta^* \sin 2\theta_\ell \cos \chi + I_5 \sin 2\theta^* \sin \theta_\ell \cos \chi \right. \\ \left. + \left(I_6^c \cos^2\theta^* + I_6^s \sin^2\theta^* \right) \cos \theta_\ell + I_7 \sin 2\theta^* \sin \theta_\ell \sin \chi \right. \\ \left. + I_8 \sin 2\theta^* \sin 2\theta_\ell \sin \chi + I_9 \sin^2\theta^* \sin^2\theta_\ell \sin 2\chi \right].$$

I.e. by building smart asymmetries, can project out the relevant 12 terms (integrated over a certain q^2 range)

See e.g. Markus Prim's Belle Analysis (in preparation)

Detector migrations



An event reconstructed in a given bin i, might not have had a "true" value corresponding to a bin j

Can be parametrized as a migration matrix:

$$\mathcal{M}_{ij} = \mathcal{P}(\text{reco. in bin } i | \text{true value in bin } j)$$

parametrize detector migrations
as conditional probability

Check Markus Prim's slides

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Can recover estimates for true values via "unfolding" determined yields, mapping reco \rightarrow true

Simplest version: migration matrix inversion

$$\mathbf{x}_{\text{true}} = \mathcal{M}_{ij}^{-1} \, \mathbf{x}_{\text{reco}}$$

Many approaches to dampen impact of increase in variance

(mostly a problem with large migrations \rightarrow true bin is then the sum of many reco bins with high weights)

or to reduce impact of MC prior

(here less an issue; but Bayesian unfolding can propagate the observed shape to MC to minimize model dependencies)

Acceptance × Efficiency

After migration effects are corrected, need to correct also for selection effects (Acceptance x Efficiency)

in the figure on the next slide

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Efficiencies can be are a large source of uncertainties

Two examples very relevant for semileptonic decays:

- Lepton Identification Uncertainty

Often based on a global likelihood (or a multivariate classifier) using individual likelihoods (or input features) to calculate a score how likely the identified particle is an electron or a muon





Use clean physics sample to correct MC efficiencies and fake rates

E.g.
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma, e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma, J/\psi \rightarrow \ell\ell, \dots$$

Construct likelihood ratio for Lepton ID: $\ell ID = \mathscr{L}_e / [\mathscr{L}_e + \mathscr{L}_\mu + \mathscr{L}_\pi + \mathscr{L}_K + \mathscr{L}_p]$



Muons



Construct correction tables of efficiency ratios

 $\epsilon_{\rm Data}$

 $\epsilon_{\rm MC}$

as a frunction→of lab momentum and detector position (polar angle) to correct MC efficiencies



Precision limited by available control channel statistics (i.e. goes down by Lumi)

Non-closure between channels is added as extra uncertainty (limiting factor at very high luminosity)

Coverage of control channels and signal are different, i.e. not all control channels have same relevance)



Correlation model matters!

100% correlated errors = maximal total eff. error, but no error on shapes

0% correlated errors = minimal total eff. error, maximal error on shapes Second example:

- Slow pion reconstruction efficiency

Also needs to be measured in data, e.g. via $B^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\pi^-$ decays



Extract signal in a fit to $\Delta E = \sqrt{s/2} - E_B$ in bins of $p_{\pi_s}^{\text{lab}}$

Measure ratio efficiency ratio **relative** to high-momentum region of $p_{\pi_s}^{\text{lab}} > 200 \,\text{MeV}$



The final result (MC)



Note how the different channels are complementary in different regions of phasespace

(e.g. B^+ has much better precision at low w than B^0 , but both have equal precision at high w)

For a simultaneous analysis, need to determine correlations between different 1D projections \rightarrow can be done using **boostrapping**

Very simple: create a replica of your data set by sampling with replacement

Repeat full analysis chain of 4 x1D measurement for each replica

Pearson correlator of replica sample provides estimator for statistical correlation between bins:

$$r_{xy} = rac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - ar{x})(y_i - ar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - ar{x})^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - ar{y})^2}}$$



But since we measured projections of the same data, the effective **degrees of freedom** are not 40, but 37 (Jung, Van Dyk)

Best use of tagged data:

Fit normalized shapes (and if available total rate)

36 dof from shapes (4*9) and 1 from normalization

Final result :



Untagged measurements of $B \to D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$



Recent Belle II result:

https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.01170 (accepted by PRD) KEK Preprint 2023-28

Belle II Preprint 2023-014

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Improved Reconstruction Methods

Can exploit that the B meson lies on a **cone**, whose opening angle is fully determined by properties of visible particles:

$$\cos \theta_{B,D^*\ell} = \frac{2E_B E_{D^*\ell} - m_B^2 - m_{D^*\ell}^2}{2|\mathbf{p}_B||\mathbf{p}_{D^*\ell}|}$$

Derivation :

$$0 = p_{\nu}^{2} = \left(p_{B} - p_{D^{*}\ell}\right)^{2} = p_{B}^{2} + p_{D^{*}\ell}^{2} - 2p_{B}p_{D^{*}\ell} = m_{B}^{2} + m_{D^{*}\ell}^{2} - 2E_{B}E_{D^{*}\ell} + 2|\mathbf{p}_{B}||\mathbf{p}_{D^{*}\ell}| \cos\theta_{B-D^{*}\ell}$$

$$p_{D^{*}} + p_{\ell}$$

$$\rightarrow \cos\theta_{B,D^{*}\ell} = \frac{2E_{B}E_{D^{*}\ell} - m_{B}^{2} - m_{D^{*}\ell}^{2}}{2|\mathbf{p}_{B}||\mathbf{p}_{D^{*}\ell}|}$$

Missing particles :

$$(p_{\nu} + p_{\text{miss}})^{2} = m_{B}^{2} + m_{D^{*}\ell}^{2} - 2E_{B}E_{D^{*}\ell} + 2|\mathbf{p}_{B}||\mathbf{p}_{D^{*}\ell}| \cos \theta_{B-D^{*}\ell} \rightarrow \cos \theta_{B,D^{*}\ell} = \frac{2E_{B}E_{D^{*}\ell} - m_{B}^{2} - m_{D^{*}\ell}^{2}}{2|\mathbf{p}_{B}||\mathbf{p}_{D^{*}\ell}|} + \frac{(p_{\nu} + p_{\text{miss}})^{2}}{2|\mathbf{p}_{B}||\mathbf{p}_{D^{*}\ell}|}$$

 \rightarrow shifts $\cos \theta_{B,D^*\ell}$ to **negative** values if not included





Good discribinating variable, so we will get back to using it. 1.15

Estimating the B Frame



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Can use this to estimate B meson direction building a weighted average on the cone

 $(E^B, p_B^x, p_B^y, p_B^z) = (\sqrt{s}/2, |\mathbf{p}_B| \sin \theta_{BY} \cos \phi, |\mathbf{p}_B| \sin \theta_{BY} \sin \phi, |\mathbf{p}_B| \cos \theta_{BY})$

with weights according to $w_i = \sin^2 \theta_i$ with θ denoting the polar angle

(following the angular distribution of $\Upsilon(4S) \to B\bar{B}$)

One can also **combine** both estimates

Estimating the B Frame









Also focus initially on **1D projections**:





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 10^3 entries / bin



 $\Delta M = M_{D^*} - M_D$


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Tagged strategy very similar, but **cross feed** from different modes (e.g. $B \to \rho \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$) and **large** backgrounds from $B \to D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$ (+ other B decays) and **continuum**

Can reconstruct q^2 with the **same method** as for $-B \to D^* \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$

Amount of **background strongly changes** as a function of q^2





Need strong multivariate suppression to carry out analysis :

Due to different S/B and shapes, train separate one for each BDT bin



Continuum



BB

After BDT selection :



Final Spectrum :





Overview $B \to X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$



Bad news: number of these matrix elements increases if one increases expansion in $1/m_{b,c}$

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Let's take a moment or two

it-off

0

it-off



Moments are measured with progressive cuts in the distribution → highly correlated measurements

How to measure spectral moments



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How to measure spectral moments



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Step #1: Subtract Background

Event-wise Master-formula

$$\langle q^{2n}
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13 q² > 4.5 GeV²/c⁴ $\nabla q^2 > 7.0 \, \text{GeV}^2/c^4$ q² > 1.5 GeV²/c⁴ $q^2 > 5.0 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$ $a^2 > 7.5 \, \text{GeV}^2/c^4$ $q^2 > 2.0 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$ \triangle q² > 5.5 GeV²/c⁴ $q^2 > 8.0 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$ $a^2 > 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$ 12 Exploit linear dependence $a^2 > 8.5 \text{ GeV}^2/c$ $q^2 > 3.0 \; {\rm GeV^2/c^4}$ > 6.0 GeV²/c⁴ $a^2 > 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$ (q²_{reco}) [GeV²/c⁴] 8 6 01 11 between rec. & true moments $m = 1.04 \pm 0.00$ $q_{\operatorname{cal} i}^{2m} = \left(q_{\operatorname{reco} i}^{2m} - c\right)/m$ $c = 0.75 \pm 0.01 \, \text{GeV}^2$ 8 Belle II (simulation) 6 8 6 7 9 10 5 $\langle q^2_{\rm gen,\,sel} \rangle \, [{\rm GeV^2/c^4}]$ Step #1: Subtract Background Step #2: Calibrate moment

Event-wise Master-formula

$$\langle q^{2n} \rangle = \frac{\sum_{i}^{N_{\text{data}}} w(q_{\text{reco,i}}^2) \times q_{\text{calib},i}^{2n}}{\sum_{j}^{N_{\text{data}}} w(q_{\text{reco,j}}^2)} \times \mathcal{C}_{\text{calib}} \times \mathcal{C}_{\text{gen}} ,$$

★ $q^2 > 6.5 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$

 $\nabla q^2 > 4.0 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$

 $(q_{\text{reco}}^2) = m \cdot \langle q_{\text{gen, sel}}^2 \rangle + c$



Step #3: If you fail, try again



Step #3: If you fail, try again

Step #4: Correct for selection effects





Belle II q^2 spectral moments





strong correlations!



From moments to central moments





Overview $B \to X_{\mu} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$

Measuring $|V_{ub}|$ is hard due to $B \to X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$

- x $\mathcal{O}(100)$ more abundant
- Very similar signature:
 - high momentum lepton, hadronic system

l+

 \mathcal{V}

- Clear separation only in corners of phase space
 - high E_{ℓ} , low M_X

 \mathbf{W}^+







B⁰ -

Exclusive make-up of $B \to X_u \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$:

B	Value B^+	Value B^0
$B \to \pi \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ ^{a,e}	$(7.8 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-5}$	$(1.5 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-4}$
$B \to \eta \ell^+ \nu_\ell ^{\mathrm{b,e}}$	$(3.9 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-5}$	-
$B \to \eta' \ell^+ \nu_\ell {}^{\mathrm{b,e}}$	$(2.3\pm0.8)\times10^{-5}$	-
$B \to \omega \ell^+ \nu_\ell {}^{\mathrm{c,e}}$	$(1.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-4}$	-
$B \to \rho \ell^+ \nu_\ell {}^{\mathrm{c,e}}$	$(1.6 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-4}$	$(2.9 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-4}$
$B \to X_u \ell^+ \nu_\ell ^{\mathrm{d,e}}$	$(2.2\pm0.3)\times10^{-3}$	$(2.0\pm0.3)\times10^{-3}$

Hybrid = Combining exclusive & inclusive predictions

$$\Delta \mathcal{B}_{ijk}^{\text{incl}} = \Delta \mathcal{B}_{ijk}^{\text{excl}} + w_{ijk} \times \Delta \mathcal{B}_{ijk}^{\text{incl}},$$

$$\begin{split} q^2 &= [0, 2.5, 5, 7.5, 10, 12.5, 15, 20, 25] \,\mathrm{GeV}^2 \,, \\ E_\ell^B &= [0, 0.5, 1, 1.25, 1.5, 1.75, 2, 2.25, 3] \,\mathrm{GeV} \,, \\ M_X &= [0, 1.4, 1.6, 1.8, 2, 2.5, 3, 3.5] \,\mathrm{GeV} \,. \end{split}$$













Multivariate Sledgehammer





The Cost



Fit for partial BFs



$$|V_{ub}| = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta \mathcal{B}(B \to X_u \,\ell^+ \,\nu_\ell)}{\tau_B \cdot \Delta \Gamma(B \to X_u \,\ell^+ \,\nu_\ell)}}$$

Fit kinematic distributions and measure partial BF

4 predictions of the partial rate



Stability as a function of BDT cut:





CKM Unitarity: $|V_{ub}| = (3.62^{+0.11}_{-0.08}) \times 10^{-3}$

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Time to stop — thank you for your attention!

Things we did not talk about (non-exhaustive list)

- Form Factor Expansions (i.e. what do you actually fit to your measurements)
- Experimental Questions that arise from this : Truncation uncertainties, etc.
- Measurements with au (Additional introductory material is attached)
- Differential Measurements of inclusive $B \to X_u \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$ and why they offer unique input to non-perturbative physics
- $B \to D^{**} {\ell} \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$ and the like
- NP Fits and Full angular measurements



A) Measurements with au

or let's make this even harder :-)
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

Fully reconstruct one of the two B-

- mesons ('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

Nice Illustration

from C. Bozzi

Measurement Strategies

4. Semileptonic decays at LHCb

- No constraint from beam energy at a hadron machine, **but..**
- Large Lorentz boost with decay lengths in the range of mm

✓ Well-separated decay vertices

- Momentum direction of decaying particle is well known
- With known masses and other decay products can even reconstruct fourmomentum transfer squared q² up to a two-fold ambiguity

$$q^2 = \left(p_{X_b} - p_{X_q}\right)^2$$



Even bit more complicated for leptonic tau decays

$R(D^{(*)})$ from Belle

G. Caria et al (Belle), 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





Separation of signal & normalization

- Use kinematic properties to separate $B \to D^{(*)} \tau \nu$ signal from $B \to D^{(*)} \ell \nu$ normalization
- Construct BDT with 3 variables: $\cos \theta_{B-D^{(*)}\ell}$, E_{vis} , $m_{\text{miss}}^2 = p_{\text{miss}}^2$



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Although a semileptonic decay is studied, nearly no background from $B \rightarrow D^* X \mu v$



• Main background: prompt $X_b \rightarrow D^* \pi \pi \pi + neutrals$

BF ~ 100 times larger than signal, all pions are promptly produced

 Suppressed by requiring minimum distance between X_b & τ vertices (> 4 σΔz)

 $\sigma_{\Delta z}$: resolution of vertices separation

 Reduces this background by three orders of magnitude

LHCb Measurement of $R(D^*)$

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- Remaining double charm bkgs:
 - $X_b \rightarrow D^* D_s^+ X \sim 10 \text{ x Signal}$ $X_b \rightarrow D^* D^+ X \sim 1 \text{ x Signal}$
 - $X_b \rightarrow D^* D_{s0}^* X \sim 0.2 \text{ x Signal}$

• Main background: prompt $X_b \rightarrow D^* \pi \pi \pi + neutrals$

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 $σ_{\Delta z}$: resolution of vertices separation

 Reduces this background by three orders of magnitude

LHCb Measurement of $R(D^*)$

Remaining backgrounds reduced via isolation & MVA

Require signal candidates to be well isolated



π

Events with additional neutral energy are suppressed with a MVA



K⁺

 D^0

D

 $\Delta z > 4\sigma$

В

ΡV

π

У

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Missing (neutral) energy in a

cone around the 3π

direction

Κ, π

3π

LHCb Measurement of $R(D^*)$

Selection

Purer MVA



1 Signal component for $\tau \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- (\pi^0) v$

11 Background components

- ~ 1296 ± 86 Signal events
- Using normalization mode and light lepton BFs:

More information about normalization in backup







Kinematic and angular information of 3π system, neutral energy in cone around 3π direction

$$N(\Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ \tau^- \bar{\nu_\tau}) = 349 \pm 40$$
$$N(\Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ D_s^- (X)) = 2757 \pm 80$$

Data





First observation with 6.1
$$\sigma$$
!
BDT output
More external input:
 $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_{b}^{0} \rightarrow \Lambda_{c}^{+} \mu \bar{\nu}_{\mu}) = (6.2 \pm 1.4) \%$
 $R(\Lambda_{c}^{+}) = 0$ $242 \pm 0.026_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.040_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.059_{\text{ext}}$
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Compatible with SM

 $R(\Lambda_c^+)_{\rm SM} = 0.340 \pm 0.004$

F. Bernlochner, Zoltan Ligeti, Dean J. Robinson, William L. Sutcliffe, [arXiv:1808.09464], [arXiv:1812.07593]

Extraction in **3D fit** to MVA : q^2 : τ decay time Kinematic and angular information of 3π $N(\Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ \tau^- \bar{\nu_\tau}) = 349 \pm 40$ $N(\Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ D_s^- (X)) = 2757 \pm 80$ Data Total model External input: $\Lambda_{b}^{+} \rightarrow \Lambda_{c}^{+} \tau^{-} v_{\tau}$

 $\mathcal{A}^{+}_{D_{3}}(X) = (6.14 \pm 0.94) \times 10^{-3}$



0.6 0.8 BDT output

 $\Lambda^0_{\rm b} \to \Lambda^+_{\rm c} D^-(X)$

 $\Lambda^0_{\rm b} \to \Lambda^+_{\rm c} D^0(X)$







- 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



B) More on some selected Topics

Future sensitivity with **full Belle II** and **LHCb** data sets + some improvements on LQCD / incl. calculations



F. Bernlochner, M. Fael, K. Olschwesky, E. Persson, R. Van Tonder, K. Vos, M. Welsch [arXiv:2205.10274]



 $|V_{cb}| = (41.69 \pm 0.59|_{\text{fit}} \pm 0.23|_{\text{h.o.}}) \cdot 10^{-3} = (41.69 \pm 0.63) \cdot 10^{-3}$

Belle II

0.6

 $|V_{cb}|$ from q^2 mom.

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Chiral Fermion states

Reminder: **Helicity** = Projection of spin on momentum of particle



Chirality = "Handedness", no observable

BUT property of particle state

$$u_L, u_R$$
 [*u* : Dirac spinor]

Define:

$$u_L = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \gamma^5 \right) u \qquad u_R = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \gamma^5 \right) u$$

"left-chiral"

"right-chiral"

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Weak charged Currents

particles & RH Chiral anti-particles

$$\oint m = 0$$

Couple to LH Helicity particles & RH Helicity anti-particles

$$P_L = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \gamma^5 \right) \qquad P_R = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \gamma^5 \right) \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \text{"select" L,R component} \\ \text{of Dirac spinor}$$

with properties: $P_{L,R}^2 = P_{L,R}$ $P_L + P_R = 1$ $P_L P_R = P_R P_L = 0$

$$u_{\rm RH} = P_R u_{\rm RH} + P_L u_{\rm RH} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{p}{E+m} \right) u_R + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{p}{E+m} \right) u_L$$

right-handed ($\lambda = +\frac{1}{2}$) left-chiral

$$u_{LH} = P_R u_{LH} + P_L u_{LH} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{p}{E+m} \right) u_R + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{p}{E+m} \right) u_L$$

left-handed ($\lambda = -\frac{1}{2}$) right-chiral left-chiral

Although only LH chiral particles participate in the Weak interaction, the contribution from RH Helicity states is not necessarily zero!

Derivation of this important result on next few slides (not covered in this lecture, cf. particle physics lecture)

In matrix form (**Dirac representation**):

$$P_{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \gamma^{5} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: for discussion of chiral states, the **Weyl representation** (also "chiral representation") is often used, since then

$$\gamma^{5} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \implies P_{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad P_{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$P_{L} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{R} \\ \psi_{L} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \psi_{L} \end{pmatrix} \qquad P_{R} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{R} \\ \psi_{L} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{R} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Look at Dirac spinors for fermions with $\overrightarrow{p} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ p \end{pmatrix}$

Case 1: m = 0 or $E \gg m$ (e.g. neutrinos or highly relativistic particles)

$$u_{\rm RH} = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\\frac{p}{E+m}\\0 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{has } \lambda = +\frac{1}{2} \qquad \text{(RH)}$$

$$u_{\rm LH} = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -\frac{p}{E+m} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\longrightarrow} \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{has } \lambda = -\frac{1}{2} \qquad \text{(LH)}$$

$$\rightarrow P_L u_{\rm RH} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{L} u_{LH} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = u_{L}$$

$$P_{R} u_{RH} = u_{RH} = u_{R}$$

$$P_{R} u_{LH} = 0 \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \text{For } m = 0: \text{ helicity = chirality}$$

For arbitrary spinors u, we can define chirality components via

$$u = (P_R + P_L)u = P_R u + P_L u = u_R + u_L$$

Note:

Particles

Anti-Particles

$\bar{u}_L = u_L^{\dagger} \gamma^0 \qquad (\gamma^5)^{\dagger} = \gamma^5$ $\downarrow \qquad \qquad$	$u_L = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \gamma^5 \right) u$	$v_L = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \gamma^5 \right) v$
$= u^{\dagger} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^{5}) \gamma^{6}$ $= u^{\dagger} \frac{1}{2} (\gamma^{0} - \gamma^{5} \gamma^{0})$	$u_R = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \gamma^5 \right) u$	$v_R = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \gamma^5 \right) v$
$= u^{\dagger} \frac{1}{2} \left(\gamma^{0} + \gamma^{0} \gamma^{5} \right) - \gamma^{5} \gamma^{0} = -\gamma^{0} \gamma^{5}$	$\bar{u}_L = \bar{u}\frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \gamma^5\right)$	$\bar{v}_L = \bar{v}\frac{1}{2}\left(1 - \gamma^5\right)$
$= u^{\dagger} \gamma^{0} \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \gamma^{5} \right) = \bar{u} \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \gamma^{5} \right)$	$\bar{u}_R = \bar{u}\frac{1}{2}\left(1 - \gamma^5\right)$	$\bar{v}_R = \bar{v}\frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \gamma^5\right)$

Case 2: $m \neq 0$

$$\lambda = +\frac{1}{2}:$$

$$P_L u_{\rm RH} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1\\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ 0\\ \frac{p}{E+m}\\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 1-\frac{p}{E+m}\\ 0\\ -1+\frac{p}{E+m}\\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 1-\frac{p}{E+m}\\ 1-\frac{p}{E+m} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ 0\\ -1\\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{E \gg m}{\longrightarrow} 0$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{1}{2} : P_L u_{LH} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E+m} \left(1 + \frac{p}{E+m}\right) \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ 1\\ 0\\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{E \gg m}{\longrightarrow} u_L$$

$$P_R u_{LH} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E+m} \left(1 - \frac{p}{E+m}\right) \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ 1\\ 0\\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{E \gg m}{\longrightarrow} u_L$$

$$P_R u_{LH} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E+m} \left(1 - \frac{p}{E+m}\right) \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ 1\\ 0\\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{E \gg m}{\longrightarrow} 0$$

Probability

$$\frac{P(\lambda = +\frac{1}{2}) - P(\lambda = -\frac{1}{2})}{P(\lambda = +\frac{1}{2}) + P(\lambda = -\frac{1}{2})} = \frac{(1 - \frac{p}{E+m})^2 - (1 + \frac{p}{E+m})^2}{(1 - \frac{p}{E+m})^2 + (1 + \frac{p}{E+m})^2} \xrightarrow{E \gg m} \frac{p}{E} = -\beta = -\frac{v}{c}$$

Degree of "polarization":

 \Rightarrow Leptons that couple to *W* bosons have **negative helicity** with a probability of β (close to a 100% for relativistic particles). The probability for **positive helicity** is $1 - \beta$

For anti-leptons it's the other way around!

We note: Electron and muon are both relativistic ($\beta \approx 0.99$), tau carries a lot less ($\langle \beta \rangle_{max} \approx$ momentum with respect to its mass

$$\langle\langle \beta \rangle_{\max} \approx \frac{\langle p \rangle_{\max}}{\langle E \rangle_{\max}} = \frac{1.9 \,\text{GeV}}{\sqrt{(1.9)^2 + 1.77^2} \text{GeV}} \approx 0.73$$



Spin situation: D-meson is a pseudo-scalar and has spin 0:

Let us consider the situation for a B decaying into D, tau, anti-tau neutrino (i.e. particles) at zero recoil

 $w = 1, q^2 = q_{\text{max}}^2$





RH Helicity = Sum of RH chiral and LH chiral contribution	S
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$$u_{RH} = P_R u_{RH} + P_L u_{RH} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{p}{E+m} \right) u_R + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{p}{E+m} \right) u_L$$
right-handed ($\lambda = +\frac{1}{2}$)

 $m \rightarrow 0$: RH helicity = RH chirality

Particles: no coupling to Weak force

Anti-particles: Coupling to Weak force

Zero-recoil is strongly helicity suppressed for light leptons with $\frac{p}{E+m} \approx 1$

But for τ leptons this is not the case:









Updated inclusive fit to $\langle E_{\ell} \rangle$, $\langle M_X \rangle$ moments:

$$|V_{cb}| = 42.16(30)_{th}(32)_{exp}(25)_{\Gamma} \ 10^{-3}$$

$$\Delta |V_{cb}| / |V_{cb}| = 1.2\%!$$

M. Bordone, B. Capdevila, P. Gambino [Phys.Lett.B 822 (2021) 136679, arXiv:2107.00604] $m_b^{kin} \overline{m}_c (2 \text{GeV})$ $\mu_G^2(m_b) \ \rho_{LS}^3 \ \text{BR}_{c\ell\nu} \ 10^3 |V_{cb}|$ μ_{π}^2 ρ_D^3 0.1854.5731.092 0.4770.306 -0.130 10.66 42.16 0.0120.008 0.056 0.0310.0500.092 0.150.511 0.612 0.307-0.141 0.047 -0.196 -0.064 -0.4201 0.018 -0.010 -0.162 0.0480.0280.0610.7351 -0.054 $0.067 \quad 0.172$ 0.4291 -0.157 -0.149 0.0910.2990.001 0.013 -0.2251 1 -0.033 -0.0051 0.684

See also [Phys.Lett.B 829 (2022) 137068, 2202.01434] for very recent 1S fit finding $|V_{cb}| = (42.5 \pm 1.1) \times 10^{-3}$

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$$d\Gamma = d\Gamma_{0} + d\Gamma_{\mu_{\pi}} \frac{\mu_{\pi}^{2}}{m_{b}^{2}} + d\Gamma_{\mu_{G}} \frac{\mu_{G}^{2}}{m_{b}^{2}} + d\Gamma_{\rho_{D}} \frac{\rho_{D}^{3}}{m_{b}^{3}} + d\Gamma_{\rho_{LS}} \frac{\rho_{LS}^{3}}{m_{b}^{3}} + \dots$$

Bad news: number of these matrix elements increases if one increases expansion in $1/m_{b,c}$



Innovative idea from [JHEP 02 (2019) 177, arXiv:1812.07472] (M. Fael, T. Mannel, K. Vos)

→ Number of ME reduce by exploiting reparametrization invariance, but not true for every observable

Spectral moments :

$$\langle M^{n}[w] \rangle = \int d\Phi \, w^{n}(v, p_{\ell}, p_{\nu}) \, W^{\mu\nu} \, L_{\mu\nu}$$

 $w = (m_B v - q)^2 \Rightarrow \langle M_X^n \rangle$ Moments not RPI (depends on *v*) $w = v \cdot p_{\ell} \Rightarrow \langle E_{\ell}^n \rangle$ Moments $w = q^2 \Rightarrow \langle (q^2)^n \rangle$ Moments RPI! (does not depend on v)

not RPI (depends on v)

$$d\Gamma = d\Gamma_{0} + d\Gamma_{\mu\pi} \frac{\mu_{\pi}^{2}}{m_{b}^{2}} + d\Gamma_{\mu_{G}} \frac{\mu_{G}^{2}}{m_{b}^{2}} + d\Gamma_{\rho_{D}} \frac{\rho_{D}^{3}}{m_{b}^{3}} + d\Gamma_{\rho_{LS}} \frac{\rho_{LS}^{3}}{m_{b}^{3}} + \dots$$

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Measurements of q^2 moments of inclusive $B \to X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$ decays with hadronic tagging [PRD 104, 112011 (2021), arXiv:2109.01685]



Measurements of Lepton **Mass squared moments** in inclusive $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$ Decays with the Belle II Experiment [Under review by PRD, arXiv:2205.06372]



Largest uncertainty from reconstruction, background subtraction, X_c model



Belle II sensitivity similar to Belle already.

Going differential :

Unfolded + acceptance corrected distributions with total Error / Stat. Error



Agreement (w/o theory uncertainties)

χ^2	E_{ℓ}^B	M_X	M_X^2	q^2	P_+	P_{-}
n.d.f.	16	8	5	12	9	10
Hybrid	13.5	2.5	2.6	4.5	1.7	5.2
DFN	16.2	63.2	13.1	18.5	29.3	6.1
BLNP	16.5	61.0	6.3	20.6	23.6	13.7

Simultaneous Determination of Inclusive and Exclusive $|V_{ub}|$

Accepted by PRL []

New Idea: Exploit that exclusive X_u final states can be separated using the # of charged pions

$$N_{\pi^{+}} = 0: \quad B \to \pi^{0} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$$

$$N_{\pi^{+}} = 1: \quad B \to \pi^{+} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$$

$$n_{\pi^{+}} = 2: \quad \text{other}$$

$$n_{\pi^{+}} \ge 3: \quad B \to X_{u} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$$



Use **'thrust',** expect more collimated system for $B \to \pi^0 \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$ and $B \to \pi^+ \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$ than for other processes

$$\max_{|\mathbf{n}|=1} \left(\sum_{i} |\mathbf{p_i} \cdot \mathbf{n}| / \sum_{i} |\mathbf{p_i}| \right)$$

Extraction of **BFs** and $B \rightarrow \pi$ form factors, in 2D fit of $q^2 : n_{\pi^+}$

Use high M_X to constrain $B \to X_c \ell^{} \bar{\nu}_\ell^{}$



$$\rho = 0.10$$

course contains $B \to \pi \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$)


Truncation Order in FF Fits

Martin will tell us more about form factors (FF) and how to determine from these distributions $|V_{cb}|$

One model independent way to parametrize FFs is the **BGL** parametrization (Boyd-Grinstein-Lebed, [arXiv:hep-ph/9705252])

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{P_g(z)\phi_g(z)} \sum_{n=0}^N a_n z^n, \qquad f(z) = \frac{1}{P_f(z)\phi_f(z)} \sum_{n=0}^N b_n z^n, \qquad \mathcal{F}_1(z) = \frac{1}{P_{\mathcal{F}_1}(z)\phi_{\mathcal{F}_1}(z)} \sum_{n=0}^N c_n z^n,$$

One Problem you face as an experimentalist: where do you truncate?

Truncate too soon:

- Model dependence in extracted result for $|V_{cb}|$?

Truncate too late:

- Unnecessarily increase variance on $\|V_{cb}\|$?

Is there an **ideal** truncation order?

This work [arXiv:1902.09553, PRD100,013005 (2019)]

Use a **nested hypothesis test** to determine optimal truncation order



 $\Delta \chi^2 = \chi_N^2 - \chi_{N+1}^2 \qquad \Delta \chi^2 > 1$

Distributed like a χ^2 -distribution with 1 dof (Wilk's theorem)

Gambino, Jung, Schacht [arXiv:1905.08209, PLB]

Constrain contributions from higher order coefficients using **unitarity bounds**

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N} |a_n|^2 \le 1 \qquad \sum_{n=0}^{N} \left(|b_n|^2 + |c_n|^2 \right) \le 1$$

e.g.

$$\rightarrow \chi^2 + \chi^2_{\text{penalty}}$$

 χ^2



Nesting Procedure

Steps:

2

3

4

1 Carry out nested fits with one parameter added

Accept descendant over parent fit, if $\Delta \chi^2 > 1$

Repeat 1 and 2 until you find **stationary** points

If multiple **stationary** points remain, choose the one with smallest *N*, then smallest χ^2



Toy study to illustrate possible bias



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Bias



→ Procedure produces unbiased |V_{cb}| values, just picking a hypothesis (BGL₁₂₂) does not

Relative Frequency of selected Hypothesis:											
	BGL ₁₂₂	BGL_{212}	BGL_{221}	BGL_{222}	BGL_{223}	BGL_{232}	BGL_{322}	BGL_{233}	BGL_{323}	BGL ₃₃₂	BGL ₃₃₃
1-times	6%	0%	37%	27%	6%	6%	11%	0%	2%	4%	0.4%
10-times	0%	0%	8%	38%	14%	8%	16%	3%	4%	8%	1%

More on the Gap

Model 1:

Equidistribution of all final state particles in phase space Decay $\mathcal{B}(B^+)$ $\mathcal{B}(B^0)$ Decay $B \to D_0^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(2.4 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-2}$ $(2.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-2}$ $B \to D \,\ell^+ \,\nu_{\ell}$ $(\hookrightarrow D\pi\pi)$ $(5.5 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-2}$ $(5.1 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-2}$ $B \to D^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $B \to D_1^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(6.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-3}$ $(6.6 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-3}$ $(\hookrightarrow D\pi\pi)$ $B \to D_1 \,\ell^+ \,\nu_{\ell}$ $B \to D_0^* \pi \pi \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(2.9 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-3}$ $(2.7 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D_2^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(\hookrightarrow D^*\pi\pi)$ $(4.2 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D_0^* \,\ell^+ \,\nu_\ell$ $(3.9 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D_1^* \pi \pi \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(4.2 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D_1' \, \ell^+ \, \nu_\ell$ $(3.9 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-3}$ $(\hookrightarrow D^*\pi\pi)$ $(0.6 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3}$ $(0.6 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D\pi\pi \,\ell^+ \,\nu_\ell$ $(0.396 \pm 0.396) \times 10^{-2}$ $(0.399 \pm 0.399) \times 10^{-2}$ $B \to D_0^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(2.2 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $(2.0 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D^* \pi \pi \, \ell^+ \, \nu_\ell$ $(\hookrightarrow D\eta)$ $(0.396 \pm 0.396) \times 10^{-2}$ $(0.399 \pm 0.399) \times 10^{-2}$ $B \to D_1^* \ell^+ \nu_\ell$ $(4.0 \pm 4.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $(4.0 \pm 4.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D\eta \,\ell^+ \,\nu_\ell$ $(\hookrightarrow D^*\eta)$ $(4.0 \pm 4.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $(4.0 \pm 4.0) \times 10^{-3}$ $B \to D^* \eta \, \ell^+ \, \nu_\ell$ $(10.8 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-2} (10.1 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-2}$ $B \to X_c \ell \nu_\ell$

Decay via intermediate broad D^{**} state $\mathcal{B}(B^0)$ $\mathcal{B}(B^+)$ $(0.03 \pm 0.03) \times 10^{-2}$ $(0.108 \pm 0.051) \times 10^{-2}$ $(0.101 \pm 0.048) \times 10^{-2}$ $(0.108 \pm 0.051) \times 10^{-2}$ $(0.101 \pm 0.048) \times 10^{-2}$

Model 2:

(Assign 100% BR uncertainty in systematics covariance matrix)



X_c Simulation



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Full Angular Information without going to 4D

Full angular information can be encoded into **12 coefficients** :

8 Coefficients relevant in massless limit & SM

Step 1: bin up phase-space in $q^2 \sim w$ in however many bins you can afford

Step 2: Determine the # of signal events in specific phase-space regions

The coefficients are related to a weighted sun of events in a given q^2 bin

$$J_{i} = \frac{1}{N_{i}} \sum_{j=1}^{8} \sum_{k,l=1}^{4} \eta_{ij}^{\chi} \eta_{ik}^{\theta_{\ell}} \eta_{il}^{\theta_{V}} \left[\chi^{i} \otimes \theta_{\ell}^{j} \otimes \theta_{V}^{k} \right]$$

Normalization Factor

Weights

Phase space region

 \tilde{N}_+

 \tilde{N}_{-}

E.g. for J_3 : Split χ into 2 Regions

$$'+': \chi \in [0, \pi/4], [3/4\pi, 5/4\pi], [7/4\pi, 2\pi]$$

 $'-': \chi \in [\pi/4, 3/4\pi], [5/4\pi, 7/4\pi]$

J_i	η^{χ}_i	$\eta_i^{ heta_\ell}$	$\eta_i^{ heta_V}$	normalization N_i		
J_{1s}	$\{+\}$	$\{+, a, a, +\}$	$\{-,c,c,-\}$	$2\pi(1)2$		
J_{1c}	$\{+\}$	$\{+,a,a,+\}$	$\{+,d,d,+\}$	$2\pi(1)(2/5)$		
J_{2s}	$\{+\}$	$\{-,b,b,-\}$	$\{-,c,c,-\}$	$2\pi(-2/3)2$		
J_{2c}	$\{+\}$	$\{-,b,b,-\}$	$\{+,d,d,+\}$	$2\pi(-2/3)(2/5)$		
J_3	$\{+,-,-,+,+,-,-,+\}$	$\{+\}$	$\{+\}$	$4(4/3)^2$		
J_4	$\{+,+,-,-,-,-,+,+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$4(4/3)^2$		
J_5	$\{+,+,-,-,-,-,+,+\}$	$\{+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$4(\pi/2)(4/3)$		
J_{6s}	$\{+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$\{-,c,c,-\}$	$2\pi(1)2$		
J_{6c}	$\{+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$\{+,d,d,+\}$	$2\pi(1)(2/5)$		
J_7	$\{+,+,+,+,-,-,-,-\}$	$\{+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$4(\pi/2)(4/3)$		
J_8	$\{+,+,+,+,-,-,-,-\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$4(4/3)^2$		
J_9	$\{+,+,-,-,+,+,-,-\}$	{+}	{+}	$4(4/3)^2$		
$a = 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \ b = \frac{a\sqrt{2}}{c} \ c = \frac{2\sqrt{2} - 1}{d} = \frac{1 - \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{5}}{d}$						

FB, Z. Ligeti, S. Turczyk, Phys. Rev. D 90, 094003 (2014)

Step 3: Reverse Migration and Acceptance Effects

Resolution effects: events with a **given "true"** value of $\{q^2, \cos \theta_{\ell'}, \cos \theta_V, \chi\}$ can fall into different reconstructed bins









(statistical overlap, systematics)

SM: { $J_{1s}^{q_i^2}, J_{1c}^{q_i^2}, J_{2s}^{q_i^2}, J_{2c}^{q_i^2}, J_3^{q_i^2}, J_4^{q_i^2}, J_5^{q_i^2}, J_{6s}^{q_i^2}$ }

e.g. 5 x 8 = 40 coefficients

or full thing (SM + NP) with **5 x 12 = 60 coefficients**

J_i	η_i^{χ}	$\eta_i^{ heta_\ell}$	$\eta_i^{ heta_V}$	normalization N_i			
J_{1s}	$\{+\}$	$\{+, a, a, +\}$	$\{-,c,c,-\}$	$2\pi(1)2$			
J_{1c}	$\{+\}$	$\{+, a, a, +\}$	$\{+,d,d,+\}$	$2\pi(1)(2/5)$			
J_{2s}	$\{+\}$	$\{-,b,b,-\}$	$\{-,c,c,-\}$	$2\pi(-2/3)2$			
J_{2c}	$\{+\}$	$\{-,b,b,-\}$	$\{+,d,d,+\}$	$2\pi(-2/3)(2/5)$			
J_3	$\{+,-,-,+,+,-,-,+\}$	$\{+\}$	$\{+\}$	$4(4/3)^2$			
J_4	$\{+,+,-,-,-,+,+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$4(4/3)^2$			
J_5	$\{+,+,-,-,-,+,+\}$	$\{+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$4(\pi/2)(4/3)$			
J_{6s}	$\{+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$\{-,c,c,-\}$	$2\pi(1)2$			
J_{6c}	$\{+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$\{+,d,d,+\}$	$2\pi(1)(2/5)$			
J_7	$\{+,+,+,+,-,-,-,-\}$	$\{+\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$4(\pi/2)(4/3)$			
J_8	$\{+,+,+,+,-,-,-,-\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$\{+,+,-,-\}$	$4(4/3)^2$			
J_9	$\{+,+,-,-,+,+,-,-\}$	{+}	{+}	$4(4/3)^2$			
а	$a = 1 - 1/\sqrt{2}, b = a\sqrt{2}, c = 2\sqrt{2} - 1, d = 1 - 4\sqrt{2}/5$						

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1D versus Full Angular Sensitivities

Errors and central values from 1D projection fits of arXiv:2301.07529 (Table XVI)



Errors and central values from 1D projection fit of <u>arXiv:2301.07529</u> (Table XVI) Data points: **Asimov Fit using MC (!)**



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Angular Coefficients also will allow us to better investigate what is going on with lattice versus data tensions.