

QCD aspects of exclusive B decays

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Introduction

- exclusive B meson decays are important for extracting the Standard Model parameters (CKM matrix elements and weak phases...) and for exploring new physics.
- nonleptonic B meson decays are complicated due to strong dynamics, which must be well understood in order to achieve the above goals.
- the naive factorization assumption has many theoretical drawbacks. To match the increasing experimental precision, QCD theories for nonleptonic B meson decays are necessary.
- will discuss QCD-improved Factorization (QCDF), perturbative QCD (PQCD), soft-collinear effective theory (SCET), light-cone sum rules (LCSR).
- will not discuss charming penguins, additional parameters in QCDF (Ciuchini et al.), and intrinsic charms, a higher Fock state in PQCD (Gardner and Brodsky).
- will compare the theoretical basis and the phenomenological implications from QCDF and PQCD.
- for explicit QCDF predictions, Du's talk.
- for explicit PQCD predictions, Keum's talk.
- for details of SCET, Chay's talk.
- will comment on LCSR.

Naive Factorization (BSW)

- The effective weak Hamiltonian for $B \rightarrow D\pi$,

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{ud}^* \left[C_1(\mu) O_1(\mu) + C_2(\mu) O_2(\mu) \right]$$

$$O_1 = (\bar{d}b)_{V-A} (\bar{c}u)_{V-A}, \quad O_2 = (\bar{c}b)_{V-A} (\bar{d}u)_{V-A}$$

- Class-1 (color-allowed) topology: the $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+ \pi^-$ mode.
- Class-2 (color-suppressed) topology: the $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$ mode.
- Under FA,

$$A(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+ \pi^-) = i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{ud}^* (m_B^2 - m_D^2) f_\pi F_0^{BD}(m_\pi^2) a_1(D\pi)$$

$$\sqrt{2} A(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^0 \pi^0) = -i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{ud}^* (m_B^2 - m_\pi^2) f_D F_0^{B\pi}(m_D^2) a_2(D\pi)$$

$$a_1 = C_2(\mu) + C_1(\mu) \frac{1}{N_c}, \quad a_2 = C_1(\mu) + C_2(\mu) \frac{1}{N_c}$$

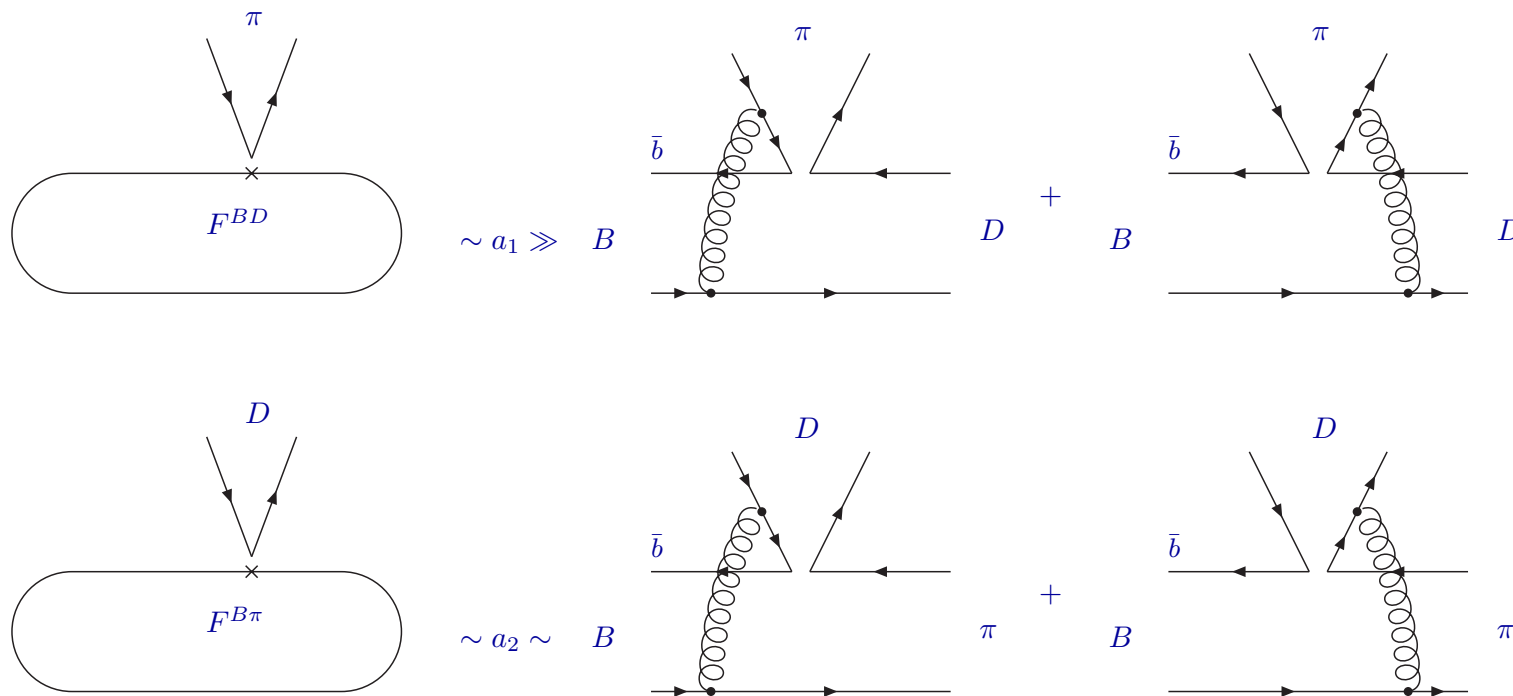
- $a_1(D\pi) \sim O(1)$ and $a_2(D\pi) \sim O(1/N_c)$ depend on the color and Dirac structures of the operators, but otherwise are postulated to be universal.
- $|a_1| \approx 1.1 \pm 0.1$ from the class-1 decays $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)+} M^-$, $M = \pi, \rho, a_1, D_s$, and D_s^* .
- $|a_2| \approx 0.2-0.3$ from the class-2 decays $\bar{B} \rightarrow \bar{K}^{(*)} M$, $M = J/\psi$ and $\psi(2S)$ (Cheng and Yang).

- a_2 from the class-2 modes $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{0(*)} M^0$ gives (Neubert and Petrov; Cheng)

$$|a_2(D\pi)| \sim 0.35 - 0.60 \Rightarrow \text{Arg}(a_2/a_1)(D\pi) = 59^\circ$$

$$|a_2(D^*\pi)| \sim 0.25 - 0.50 \Rightarrow \text{Arg}(a_2/a_1)(D^*\pi) = 63^\circ$$

- the sizeable relative strong phases between class-1 and class-2 amplitudes indicate a failure of FA: **a strong nonuniversality of nonfactorizable effects.**
- it is easy to understand the failure:

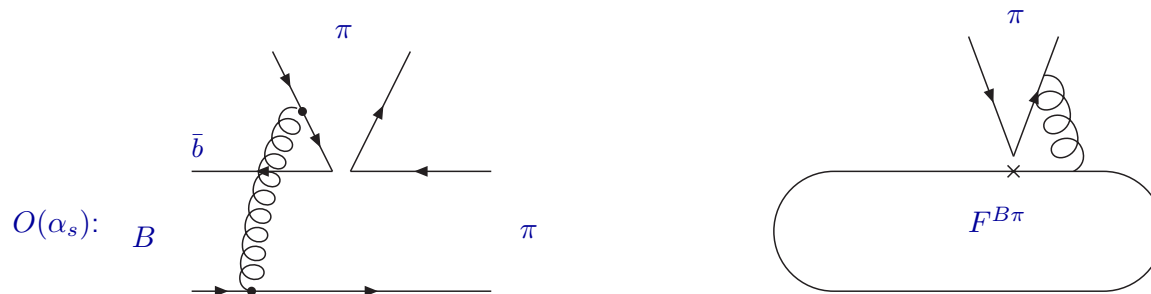
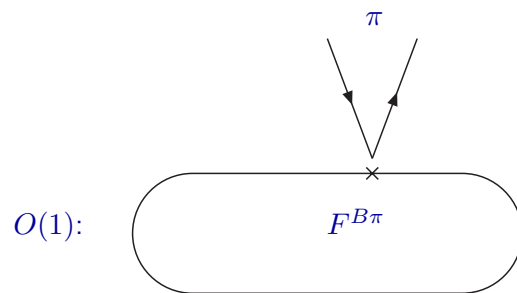


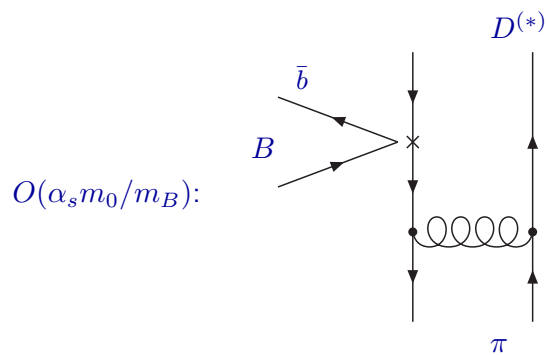
QCD Theories

- naive factorization does not work for color-suppressed decays.
 - also the scale dependence is explicit and strong phases are not complete in naive factorization.
- ⇒ need QCD theories to calculate subleading contributions.

◆ QCDF

- calculate subleading corrections to naive factorization (Buchalla, Beneke, Neubert and sachrajda).





- B meson transition form factors are not calculable due to end-point singularities.
- end-point singularities also appear in nonspectator amplitudes (twist-3 level) and in annihilation amplitudes.
- need to introduce arbitrary infrared cutoffs,

$$\alpha_s \ln \frac{m_b}{\Lambda} (1 + \rho_{H,A} e^{i\delta_{H,A}}). \quad (1)$$

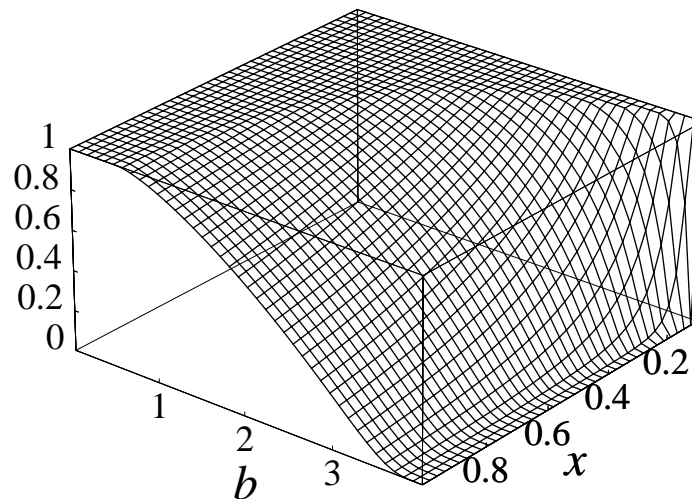
\Rightarrow meaning of theoretical errors from the postulation $0 \leq \rho_{H,A} \leq 1$ is not clear....

- an alternative use of QCDF: global fit to data to determine weak phases and $\rho_{H,A}$ (see Du's talk).

\Rightarrow weak constraint on the weak phases (Ciuchini).

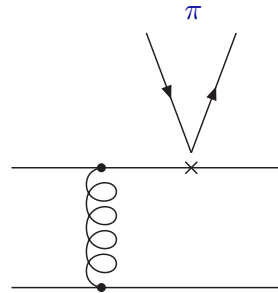
◆ PQCD

- our opinion is that end-point singularities are not physical, and imply the breakdown of collinear factorization.
- formulate exclusive B meson decays in k_T factorization \Rightarrow include parton k_T . (Keum, Kurimoto, Li, Sanda, Lu, Yang,)
 \Rightarrow end-point singularities are smeared into large $\ln(xm_b/k_T)$, x : parton momentum fraction
- resum large logarithms to all orders (Li, Sterman)
 \Rightarrow Sudakov factor $S(xm_b, k_T)$, the parton distribution in k_T .

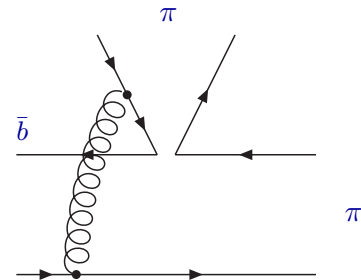


- B meson transition form factors are calculable.
- all topologies are calculable. There is no arbitrary parameter.

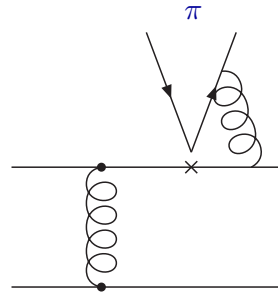
$O(\alpha_s)$:



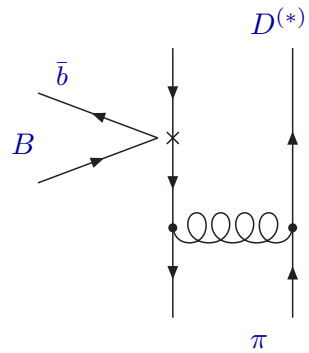
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$O(\alpha_s^2)$:



$O(\alpha_s m_0/m_B)$:



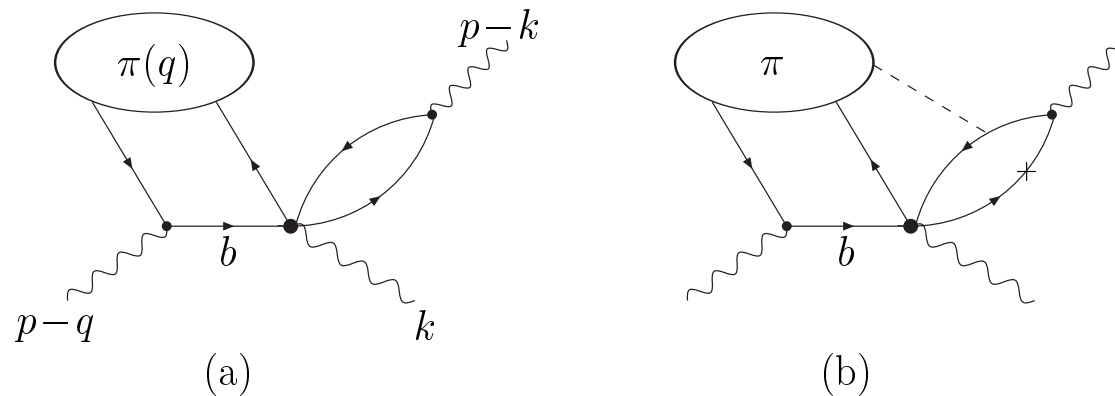
◆ SCET

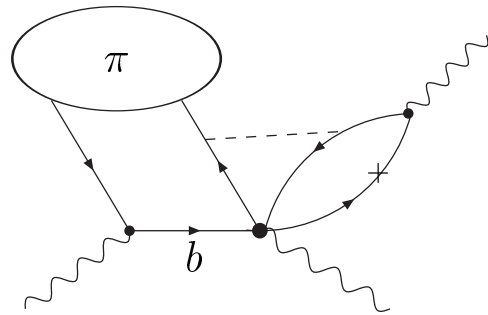
- formulate collinear factorization theorem of exclusive B meson decays in terms of effective operators (Bauer, Fleming, Pirjol, Stewart, Chay, Kim).
- integrating out short-distance fluctuations, which appear in Wilson coefficients, and long-distance fluctuations are described by new effective degrees of freedom.
- The effective fields contain collinear quarks and gluons $(\xi_{n,p}, A_{n,q}^\mu)$, massless soft quarks and gluons (q_s, A_s^μ) , and massless ultrasoft (usoft) quarks and gluons $(q_{us}, A_{us}^\mu), \dots$
- SCET is equivalent to the diagrammatic approach: **one makes the power counting of the effective operators in the former, and of the Feynman diagrams in the latter.**
- The calculation of Wilson coefficients in SCET is the same as in the latter.
- $\lambda = \sqrt{\Lambda/E} \Leftrightarrow$ **SCET I** and $\lambda = \Lambda/E \Leftrightarrow$ **SCET II**.

Type	Momenta $(+, -, T)$	Field Scaling	Operators
collinear	$p^\mu \sim (1, \lambda^2, \lambda)$	$\xi_{n,p} \sim \lambda$ $(A_{n,p}^+, A_{n,p}^-, A_{n,p}^T) \sim (1, \lambda^2, \lambda)$	$\mathcal{P}, W \sim \lambda^0$ $\mathcal{P}_T^\mu \sim \lambda$
soft	$p^\mu \sim (\lambda, \lambda, \lambda)$	$q_{s,p} \sim \lambda^{3/2}$ $A_{s,p}^\mu \sim \lambda$	$S_n \sim \lambda^0$ $\mathcal{P}^\mu \sim \lambda$
usoft	$k^\mu \sim (\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2)$	$q_{us} \sim \lambda^3$ $A_{us}^\mu \sim \lambda^2$	$Y_n \sim \lambda^0$

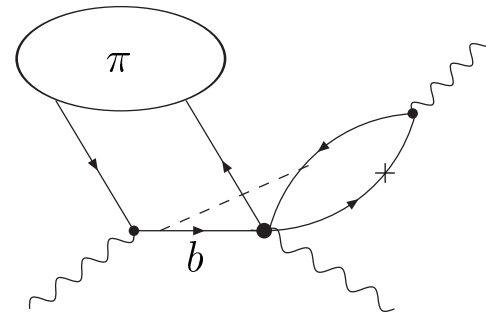
◆ LCSR

- based on quark-hadron duality (Liu's talk). The light meson bound state is approximated by the first few Fock states (Khodjamirian, Mannel, Melic, Urban)
- factorizable amplitudes (a): the same as form factors.
- nonfactorizable amplitudes: not from two-loop diagrams, but from twist-3 meson distribution amplitudes (b), which are small.
- need two-loop calculations, such as nonfactorizable contributions and annihilation contributions, which are essential for reducing the scale dependence and for generating strong phases.

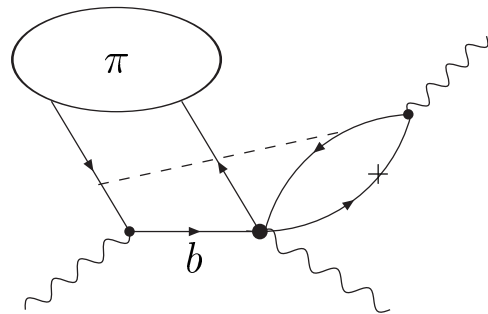




(a)



(b)



(c)

Two-loop nonfactorizable contributions.
 (a) and (b) vertex corrections, and (c) nonspectator correction.

Comparison: QCDF vs. PQCD

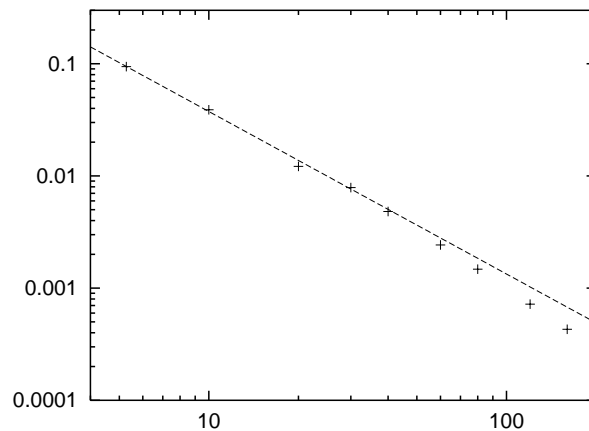
- ◆ Same power scaling of factorizable (F) and nonfactorizable (NF) amplitudes:

$$F \sim \frac{1}{m_b^{3/2}} \text{ from HQET in QCDF}$$

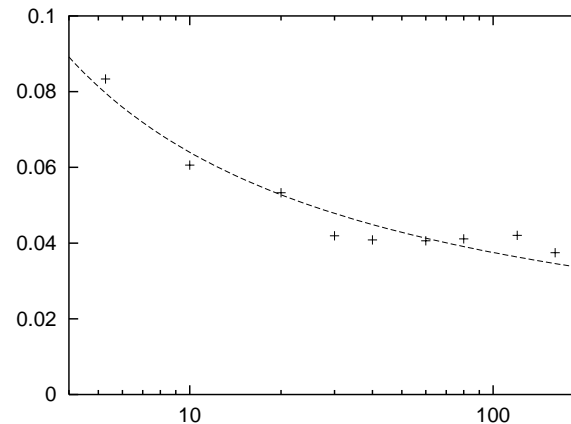
$$F \sim \frac{f_B}{\text{hard scale}} \sim \frac{m_b^{-1/2}}{m_b} \sim \frac{1}{m_b^{3/2}} \text{ in PQCD}$$

$$\frac{NF}{F} \sim \alpha_s \sim \ln^{-1} m_b \text{ in QCDF}$$

$$\frac{NF}{F} \sim \ln^{-1} m_b \text{ due to pair cancellation in PQCD}$$



Power behavior of F .



NF/F in PQCD.

◆ Differences

- penguin enhancement (m_0 : chiral enhancement scale; μ : characteristic scale)

QCDF: **chiral enhancement in PP modes**, $m_0 \sim 3$ GeV, $\mu \sim m_b$.

PQCD: **dynamical enhancement in PP, VP, VV modes**, $m_0 \sim 1.3$ GeV,
 $\mu \sim \sqrt{m_b \Lambda} \sim 1.7$ GeV.

- penguin enhancement mechanism can not be distinguished in PP modes.
- predictions for VP branching ratios differ by

$$\frac{\text{Br(PQCD)}}{\text{Br(QCDF)}} \sim 2.$$

- strong phases and CP asymmetries

QCDF: important source from the $O(\alpha_s)$ **weak vertex correction**.

PQCD: important source from the $O(2m_0/m_b)$ **annihilation amplitude**.

$$\frac{A_{CP}(\text{PQCD})}{A_{CP}(\text{QCDF})} \sim -4.$$

Summary

- great progress has been made in developing QCD theories of exclusive B meson decays recently.
- the advantage of QCDF is its explicit factorization picture in the heavy quark limit. Talking about the treatment of leading contributions, it is most complete among all approaches.

the end-point singularity at subleading level makes QCDF less predictive. Another challenge comes from the explanation of the possible large direct CP asymmetries.

- PQCD is free of end-point singularities, has no arbitrary parameters, and is most phenomenologically successful (except for the $B \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$ branching ratio and the $B \rightarrow \phi K^*$ polarization).

should calculate NLO corrections to check whether PQCD predictions are stable.

- SCET provides a systematic framework for constructing collinear factorization formulas at large recoil.

how to implement SCET to get predictions needs to be studied.

- the advantage of LCSR is that both soft and hard contributions can be analyzed in the same framework.

the urgent subject is to include the two-loop nonfactorizable and annihilation contributions.