# The Dispersive Matrix perspective on Lepton Flavour Universality observables

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HFLAV Collaboration, PRD '23 [arXiv:2206.07501] (updated plot)

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and lattice data computed by FNAL/MILC Collaborations in EPJC '22 [arXiv:2105.14019], which have performed two fits:



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**Basics of BGL:** the hadronic FFs corresponding to definite spin-parity can be represented as an expansion, originating from unitarity, analyticity and crossing symmetry, in terms of the conformal variable *z*, for instance

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\chi_{1^-}(q_0^2)}} \frac{1}{\phi_g(z, q_0^2) P_{1^-}(z)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \, z^n$$

Unitarity: 
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#### See M. Bordone's talk

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# <u>THANKS FOR</u> YOUR ATTENTION!

# **BACK-UP SLIDES**

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**UNITARITY FILTER:** unitarity is satisfied if  $\gamma$  is semipositive definite, namely if

$$\chi \ge \sum_{i,j=1} N f_i f_j \phi_i \phi_j d_i d_j \frac{(1-z_i^2)(1-z_j^2)}{1-z_i z_j} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \textbf{Unitarity is} \\ \textbf{built-in!} \end{array}$$

### Statistical and systematic uncertainties

#### How can we finally combine all the $N_U$ lower and upper bounds of both the FFs??

#### **One bootstrap event case:**

after a single extraction, we have one value of the lower bound  $f_L$  and one value of the upper one  $f_U$  for each FF. Assuming that the true value of each FF can be **everywhere inside the range**  $(f_U - f_L)$  with equal **probability**, we associate to the FFs a *flat* distribution

$$P(f_{0(+)}) = \frac{1}{f_{U,0(+)} - f_{L,0(+)}} \Theta(f_{0(+)} - f_{L,0(+)}) \Theta(f_{U,0(+)} - f_{0(+)})$$

Many bootstrap events case:

how to mediate over the whole set of bootstrap events? Since the lower and the upper bounds of a generic FF are deeply correlated, we will assume a multivariate Gaussian distribution:

$$P(f_L, f_U) = \frac{\sqrt{\det \rho}}{2\pi} \exp\left[-\frac{\rho_{up,up}(f_U - \langle f_U \rangle)^2 + \rho_{lo,lo}(f_L - \langle f_L \rangle)^2 + 2\rho_{lo,up}(f_U - \langle f_U \rangle)(f_L - \langle f_L \rangle)}{2}\right]$$

In conclusion, we can combine the bounds of each FF in a final mean value and a final standard deviation, defined as

$$\begin{split} \langle f \rangle &= \frac{\langle f_L \rangle + \langle f_U \rangle}{2}, \\ \sigma_f &= \frac{1}{12} (\langle f_U \rangle - \langle f_L \rangle)^2 + \frac{1}{3} (\sigma_{f_{lo}}^2 + \sigma_{f_{up}}^2 + \rho_{lo,up} \sigma_{f_{lo}} \sigma_{f_{up}}) \end{split}$$

### Kinematical Constraints (KCs)

**REMINDER:** after the unitarity filter we were left with *N<sub>U</sub>* < *N* survived events!!!

Let us focus on the pseudoscalar case. Since by construction the following *kinematical constraint* holds

$$f_0(0) = f_+(0)$$

we will filter only the  $N_{KC} < N_U$  events for which the two bands of the FFs intersect each other @ t = 0. Namely, for each of these events we also define

$$\begin{split} \phi_{lo} &= \max[F_{+,lo}(t=0), F_{0,lo}(t=0)] \\ \phi_{up} &= \min[F_{+,up}(t=0), F_{0,up}(t=0)] \\ \phi_{up} &= \min[F_{+,up}(t=0), F_{0,up}(t=0)] \\ (D(p_D)|V^{\mu}|B(p_B)\rangle &= f_{+}(q^2) \left(p_B^{\mu} + p_D^{\mu} - \frac{m_B^2 - m_D^2}{q^2}q^{\mu}\right) + f^0(q^2) \frac{m_B^2 - m_D^2}{q^2}q^{\mu} \end{split}$$

### Kinematical Constraints (KCs)

We then consider a **modified matrix** 

$$\mathbf{M_C} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi f | \phi f \rangle & \langle \phi f | g_t \rangle & \langle \phi f | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle \phi f | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle \phi f | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \\ \langle g_t | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_t | g_t \rangle & \langle g_t | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_t | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle g_t | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \\ \langle g_{t_1} | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_{t_1} | g_t \rangle & \langle g_{t_1} | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_{t_1} | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle g_{t_1} | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \langle g_{t_n} | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_{t_n} | g_t \rangle & \langle g_{t_n} | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_{t_n} | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle g_{t_n} | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \\ \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | g_t \rangle & \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $t_{n+1} = 0$ . Hence, we compute the new lower and upper bounds of the FFs in this way. For each of the  $N_{KC}$  events, we extract  $N_{KC,2}$  values of  $f_0(0) = f_+(0) \equiv f(0)$  with uniform distribution defined in the range  $[\phi_{lo}, \phi_{up}]$ . Thus, for both the FFs and for each of the  $N_{KC}$  events we define

$$F_{lo}(t) = \min[F_{lo}^{1}(t), F_{lo}^{2}(t), \cdots, F_{lo}^{N_{KC,2}}(t)],$$
  

$$F_{up}(t) = \max[F_{up}^{1}(t), F_{up}^{2}(t), \cdots, F_{up}^{N_{KC,2}}(t)]$$

#### Non-perturbative computation of the susceptibilities

In **PRD '21 [arXiv:2105.07851]**, we have presented the results of the first computation on the lattice of the susceptibilities for the  $b \rightarrow c$  quark transition, using the  $N_f=2+1+1$  gauge ensembles generated by ETM Collaboration.

How are they defined? The starting point is the HVP tensor:

$$\Pi^{V}_{\mu\nu}(Q) = \int d^{4}x \ e^{-iQ\cdot x} \langle 0|T\left[\bar{b}(x)\gamma^{E}_{\mu}c(x) \ \bar{c}(0)\gamma^{E}_{\nu}b(0)\right]|0\rangle$$
$$= -Q_{\mu}Q_{\nu}\Pi_{0^{+}}(Q^{2}) + (\delta_{\mu\nu}Q^{2} - Q_{\mu}Q_{\nu})\Pi_{1^{-}}(Q^{2})$$

To compute the susceptibilities on the lattice, we start from the Euclidean correlators:

$$\begin{split} \chi_{0^{+}}(Q^{2}) &\equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial Q^{2}} \left[ Q^{2}\Pi_{0^{+}}(Q^{2}) \right] = \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \; t^{2} j_{0}(Qt) \; C_{0^{+}}(t) \;, \qquad \underbrace{W. \; l.}_{4} \; \int_{0}^{\infty} dt' \; t'^{4} \; \frac{j_{1}(Qt')}{Qt'} \left[ (m_{b} - m_{c})^{2} C_{S}(t') + Q^{2} C_{0^{+}}(t') \right] \\ \chi_{1^{-}}(Q^{2}) &\equiv -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial^{2} Q^{2}} \left[ Q^{2}\Pi_{1^{-}}(Q^{2}) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \; t^{4} \frac{j_{1}(Qt)}{Qt} \; C_{1^{-}}(t) \\ \chi_{0^{-}}(Q^{2}) &\equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial Q^{2}} \left[ Q^{2}\Pi_{0^{-}}(Q^{2}) \right] = \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \; t^{2} j_{0}(Qt) \; C_{0^{-}}(t) \;, \qquad \underbrace{W. \; l.}_{4} \; \frac{1}{4} \int_{0}^{\infty} dt' \; t'^{4} \; \frac{j_{1}(Qt')}{Qt'} \left[ (m_{b} + m_{c})^{2} C_{P}(t') + Q^{2} C_{0^{-}}(t') \right] \\ \chi_{1^{+}}(Q^{2}) &\equiv -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial^{2} Q^{2}} \left[ Q^{2}\Pi_{1^{+}}(Q^{2}) \right] = \frac{1}{4} \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \; t^{4} \frac{j_{1}(Qt)}{Qt} \; C_{1^{+}}(t) \end{split}$$

#### Contact terms & perturbative subtraction

In twisted mass LQCD:

$$\Pi_{V}^{\alpha\beta} = \int_{-\pi/a}^{+\pi/a} \frac{d^{4}k}{(2\pi)^{4}} \operatorname{Tr}\left[\gamma^{\alpha}G_{1}(k+\frac{Q}{2})\gamma^{\beta}G_{2}(k-\frac{Q}{2})\right],$$

Thus, by separating the *longitudinal* and the *transverse* contributions, we can compute the susceptibilities for all the spin-parity quantum numbers in the free theory on the lattice, *i.e.* at order  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^0)$  using twisted-mass fermions!

$$\begin{array}{c}
k + \frac{Q}{2} \\
\swarrow \\
Q \\
k - \frac{Q}{2}
\end{array}$$

$$\chi_j^{free} = \begin{bmatrix} \chi_j^{LO} \\ \chi_j^{discr} \end{bmatrix}$$
LO term of PT @  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^0)$  contact terms and discretization effects @  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^0 a^m)$  with  $m \ge 0$ 

#### **Perturbative subtraction:**

$$\chi_j \to \chi_j - \left[\chi_j^{free} - \chi_j^{LO}\right]$$

### ETMC ratio method & final results

For the extrapolation to the physical *b*-quark point we have used the ETMC ratio method:

$$R_{j}(n;a^{2},m_{ud}) \equiv \frac{\chi_{j}[m_{h}(n);a^{2},m_{ud}]}{\chi_{j}[m_{h}(n-1);a^{2},m_{ud}]} \underbrace{\frac{\rho_{j}[m_{h}(n)]}{\rho_{j}[m_{h}(n-1)]}}_{to \ ensure \ that} \underbrace{to \ ensure \ that}_{\lim_{n\to\infty} R_{j}(n) = 1} \int_{\rho_{1^{-}}(m_{h}) = \rho_{0^{-}}(m_{h}) = 1}^{\rho_{0^{+}}(m_{h}) = \rho_{0^{-}}(m_{h}) = 1}$$

All the details are deeply discussed in **PRD '21 [2105.07851]**. In this way, we have obtained the first lattice QCD determination of susceptibilities of <u>heavy-to-heavy</u> (and heavy-to-light, see **JHEP '22 [2202.10285]**) transition current densities:

#### $b \rightarrow c$

	Perturbative	With subtraction	Non-perturbative	With subtraction
$\chi_{V_L}[10^{-3}]$	6.204(81)	—	7.58(59)	
$\chi_{A_L}[10^{-3}]$	24.1	19.4	25.8(1.7)	21.9(1.9)
$\chi_{V_T} [10^{-4} { m GeV^{-2}}]$	6.486(48)	5.131(48)	6.72(41)	5.88(44)
$\chi_{A_T}[10^{-4} \text{ GeV}^{-2}]$	3.894	—	4.69(30)	—

Differences with PT? ~4% for 1<sup>-</sup>, ~7% for 0<sup>-</sup>, ~20 % for 0<sup>+</sup> and 1<sup>+</sup>

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Kaneko's talk @ "Challenges in Semileptonic B decays 2022" Workshop

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#### Our proposal: *bin-per-bin exclusive Vcb* determination through unitarity



### Critical understanding of the results obtained so far

#### Does the DM method modify the mean values/the correlations of the FFs?



Jung's talk @ LHCb Implications Workshop 2022 (CERN)

### Quick parenthesis: semileptonic $B_s \rightarrow D_s^{(*)}$ decays

In PRD '22 [arXiv:2204.05925], our DM method has been applied to semileptonic  $B_s \rightarrow D_s^{(*)}$  decays. LQCD form factors taken from the results of the fits preformed by the HPQCD Collaboration in PRD '20 [arXiv:1906.00701] ( $B_s \rightarrow D_s$ ) and PRD '22 [arXiv:2105.11433] ( $B_s \rightarrow D_s^*$ ): we extract 3 data points for the FFs at small values of the recoil and apply the DM approach.



#### $B_s \to D_s^* \ell \nu_\ell$

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Without entering in the details of this analysis, phenomenological applications give the results



Quick parenthesis: semileptonic  $B_s \rightarrow D_s^{(*)}$  decays However, HPQCD Collaboration has recently updated their determination of lattice data for semileptonic Bs  $\rightarrow$  Ds\* decays!

