

# Inclusive rare $\Lambda_b$ decays to photon

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## Inclusive $H_b \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ decay

### Powerful testground of the Standard Model (SM)

1. Occurring at loop-level in SM, sensitive to heavy particle exchanges
2.  $H_{\text{eff}} \sim \sum_i C_i O_i$  **may be modified** by New Physics (NP):  
modified coefficients and/or new operators
3. Observables can constrain operators and coefficients
4. Exploit **well defined** theoretical framework based on **controlled** expansions:  
 $1/m_b$  (Heavy Quark Expansion (HQE)) and  $\alpha_s(m_b)$
5. **Intensively** analyzed in theory, **several** measurements available ( $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ )

### What has been studied

1.  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ : dependence on the  $b$ -baryon spin
2. A way to resum the singular terms of the photon energy spectrum

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# Low-energy effective Hamiltonian $\Delta B = -1, \Delta S = +1$

$b \rightarrow s \gamma$  transition

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{b \rightarrow s \gamma} = -4 \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i [C_i(\mu) O_i + C'_i(\mu) O'_i]$$

Doubly Cabibbo-suppressed terms proportional to  $V_{ub} V_{us}^*$  neglected

## SM operators

- Current-current

$$O_1 = (\bar{s}_\alpha \gamma^\mu P_L c_\beta) (\bar{c}_\beta \gamma_\mu P_L b_\alpha)$$

$$O_2 = (\bar{s} \gamma^\mu P_L c) (\bar{c} \gamma_\mu P_L b)$$

- QCD penguins

$$O_3 = (\bar{s} \gamma^\mu P_L b) \sum_q (\bar{q} \gamma_\mu P_L q)$$

$$O_4 = (\bar{s}_\alpha \gamma^\mu P_L b_\beta) \sum_q (\bar{q}_\beta \gamma_\mu P_L q_\alpha)$$

$$O_5 = (\bar{s} \gamma^\mu P_L b) \sum_q (\bar{q} \gamma_\mu P_R q)$$

$$O_6 = (\bar{s}_\alpha \gamma^\mu P_L b_\beta) \sum_q (\bar{q}_\beta \gamma_\mu P_R q_\alpha)$$

- Magnetic penguins

$$O_7 = \frac{e}{16 \pi^2} [\bar{s} \sigma^{\mu\nu} (m_s P_L + m_b P_R) b] F_{\mu\nu}$$

$$O_8 = \frac{g_s}{16 \pi^2} [\bar{s}_\alpha \sigma^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{\lambda^a}{2}\right)_{\alpha\beta} (m_s P_L + m_b P_R) b_\beta] G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

## NP operators

- Scalar/tensor structures

$$O_{15}^q = (\bar{s} P_R b) \sum_q (\bar{q} P_R q)$$

$$O_{16}^q = (\bar{s}_\alpha P_R b_\beta) \sum_q (\bar{q}_\beta P_R q_\alpha)$$

$$O_{17}^q = (\bar{s} P_R b) \sum_q (\bar{q} P_L q)$$

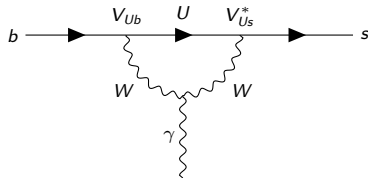
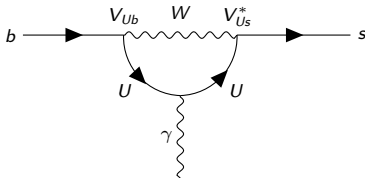
$$O_{18}^q = (\bar{s}_\alpha P_R b_\beta) \sum_q (\bar{q}_\beta P_L q_\alpha)$$

$$O_{19}^q = (\bar{s} \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_R b) \sum_q (\bar{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_R q)$$

$$O_{20}^q = (\bar{s}_\alpha \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_R b_\beta) \sum_q (\bar{q}_\beta \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_R q_\alpha)$$

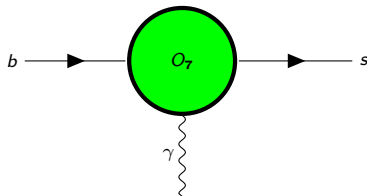
$$P_{R,L} = \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2}$$

◀ Primed operators (all NP) have opposite chirality

$b \rightarrow s \gamma$  in SMPhoton penguin diagrams ( $U = \{u, c, t\}$ )Magnetic operator  $O_7$ 

$$O_7 = \frac{e}{16 \pi^2} [\bar{s} \sigma^{\mu\nu} (m_s P_L + m_b P_R) b] F_{\mu\nu}$$

The **only** operator contributing to lowest order in QCD



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## Effective Hamiltonian (SM + NP)

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{b \rightarrow s \gamma} = -4 \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \left[ C_7^{\text{eff}} O_7 + C_7'^{\text{eff}} O_7' \right] = -4 \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \lambda_t \frac{e}{16 \pi^2} \sum_{i=7,7'} C_i^{\text{eff}} J_{\mu\nu}^i F^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\lambda_t = V_{tb} V_{ts}^*$$

$$J_{\mu\nu}^i = \bar{s} \sigma^{\mu\nu} [m_s (1 - P_i) + m_b P_i] b \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{cases} P_i = P_R & \text{if } i = 7 \\ P_i = P_L & \text{if } i = 7' \end{cases}$$

## Fully differential distribution

$$d\Gamma = [dq] \frac{G_F^2 |\lambda_t|^2}{8 M_H} \frac{\alpha}{\pi^2} \sum_{i,j=7,7'} C_i^{\text{eff}*} C_j^{\text{eff}} (W^{ij})_{MN} \mathcal{F}^{MN} \quad \underbrace{[dq] = \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3 2 q^0}}_{\text{phase space}}$$

$(W^{ij})_{MN}$  hadronic tensor

$\mathcal{F}^{MN}$  electromagnetic tensor

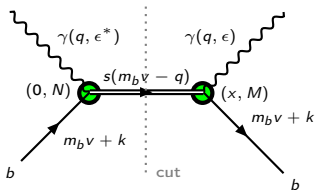
## Heavy Quark Expansion (HQE)

$(W^{ij})_{MN}$  from the discontinuity of the forward amplitude

$$(T^{ij})_{MN} = i \int d^4x e^{-i q \cdot x} \langle H_b(p, s) | \mathbb{T} \left\{ J_M^{\dagger i}(x) J_N^j(0) \right\} | H_b(p, s) \rangle$$

across the cut

$$(W^{ij})_{MN} = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \left[ (T^{ij})_{MN} \right] \quad \text{(optical theorem)}$$



Hadron momentum expressed in terms of the heavy quark mass and of a residual momentum

$$p = m_H v \quad \rightarrow \quad p = m_b v + k, \quad \frac{k}{m_b} \ll 1$$

Redefinition of the QCD field

$$b(x) = e^{-i m_b v \cdot x} b_v(x) = e^{-i (m_b v + k) \cdot x} b_v(0)$$

$$(T^{ij})_{MN} = \langle H_b(v, s) | \bar{b}_v(0) \bar{\Gamma}_M^i \frac{1}{m_b \not{v} + \not{k} - \not{m}_s} \Gamma_N^j b_v(0) | H_b(v, s) \rangle$$

$$\bar{\Gamma}_M^i = \gamma^0 \Gamma_M^{\dagger i} \gamma^0$$

$$\Gamma_M^7 = \sigma_{\mu\nu} [m_s P_L + m_b P_R]$$

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Series expansion wrt  $k \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_b$

$$(T^{ij})_{MN} = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \langle H_b(v, s) | \bar{b}_v(0) \bar{\Gamma}_M^i (\not{p}_s + m_s) [i \not{D} (\not{p}_s + m_s)]^n \Gamma_N^j b_v(0) | H_b(v, s) \rangle \frac{(-1)^n}{\Delta_0^{n+1}} \quad \Delta_0 = p_s^2 - m_s^2$$

# Operator Product Expansion (OPE)

## Trace formalism

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle H_b(v, s) | \bar{b}_v(0) \bar{\Gamma}_M^i (\not{p}_s + m_s) \underbrace{i \not{D} (\not{p}_s + m_s) \dots i \not{D} (\not{p}_s + m_s)}_{\text{n times}} \Gamma_N^j b_v(0) | H_b(v, s) \rangle = \\ & = \left[ \bar{\Gamma}_M^i (\not{p}_s + m_s) \prod_{k=1}^n \left[ \gamma_{\mu_k} (\not{p}_s + m_s) \right] \Gamma_N^j \right]_{ab} \underbrace{\langle H_b(v, s) | \bar{b}_v(0) iD^{\mu_1} \dots iD^{\mu_n} b_v(0) | H_b(v, s) \rangle}_{(\mathcal{M}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n})_{ba}} \end{aligned}$$

The higher the order of the expansion, the greater the number of the parameters

$$\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^n) \dots \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}(1/m_b^3) \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}(1/m_b^2) \begin{cases} -2 M_H \hat{\mu}_\pi^2 = \langle H_b | \bar{b}_v iD^\mu iD_\mu b_v | H_b \rangle \\ 2 M_H \hat{\mu}_G^2 = \langle H_b | \bar{b}_v (-i\sigma_{\mu\nu}) iD^\mu iD^\nu b_v | H_b \rangle \end{cases} \\ 2 M_H \hat{\rho}_D^3 = \langle H_b | \bar{b}_v iD^\mu (iv \cdot D) iD_\mu b_v | H_b \rangle \\ 2 M_H \hat{\rho}_{LS}^3 = \langle H_b | \bar{b}_v (-i\sigma_{\mu\nu}) iD^\mu (iv \cdot D) iD^\nu b_v | H_b \rangle \end{cases} \\ \dots \end{cases}$$

Dependence on the spin four-vector  $s_\mu$  **must** be kept for baryons

## Hadronic matrix elements

$$\mathcal{M}^{\rho\sigma\lambda} = M_H \left[ \left( \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{3} \Pi^{\rho\lambda} v^\sigma \mathbf{P}_+ + \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{6} v^\sigma i \epsilon^{\rho\lambda\alpha\beta} v_\alpha \mathbf{S}_\beta \right) - \left( \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{3} \Pi^{\rho\lambda} v^\sigma s^\mu \mathbf{S}_\mu - \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{2} v^\sigma i \epsilon^{\rho\lambda\alpha\beta} v_\alpha s_\beta \mathbf{P}_+ \right) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^{\rho\sigma} = M_H \left[ \left( \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{3} \Pi^{\rho\sigma} \mathbf{P}_+ + \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{6} i \epsilon^{\rho\sigma\alpha\beta} v_\alpha \mathbf{S}_\beta + \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3 + \hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{24 m_b} [4 (i \epsilon^{\rho\sigma\alpha\beta} v_\alpha \mathbf{S}_\beta - v^\rho v^\sigma \not{v}) + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + v^\rho (2 \gamma^\sigma + \not{v} \gamma^\sigma - \gamma^\sigma \not{v}) + v^\sigma (2 \gamma^\rho + \not{v} \gamma^\rho - \gamma^\rho \not{v}) \right] \right) + \left( - \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{3} \Pi^{\rho\sigma} \mathbf{P}_+ \not{s} \gamma_5 + \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{2} i \epsilon^{\rho\sigma\alpha\beta} v_\alpha s_\beta \mathbf{P}_+ + \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{12 m_b} [6 i \epsilon^{\rho\sigma\alpha\beta} v_\alpha s_\beta + i (v^\rho \epsilon^{\sigma\mu\alpha\beta} - v^\sigma \epsilon^{\rho\mu\alpha\beta}) v_\alpha s_\beta \gamma_\mu + \right. \\ \left. + s^\rho v^\sigma \not{v} \gamma_5 + v^\rho s^\sigma (2 \gamma_5 + \not{v} \gamma_5) + (2 v^\rho v^\sigma \not{v} - v^\rho \gamma^\sigma - v^\sigma \gamma^\rho) \not{s} \gamma_5 \right] + \\ \left. + \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{8 m_b} [4 i \epsilon^{\rho\sigma\alpha\beta} v_\alpha s_\beta + i (v^\rho \epsilon^{\sigma\mu\alpha\beta} - v^\sigma \epsilon^{\rho\mu\alpha\beta}) v_\alpha s_\beta \gamma_\mu + \right. \\ \left. + (s^\rho v^\sigma + v^\rho s^\sigma) \gamma_5 + (2 v^\rho v^\sigma \not{v} - v^\rho \gamma^\sigma - v^\sigma \gamma^\rho) \not{s} \gamma_5 \right) \left. \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^\rho = M_H \left[ \left( \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2 - \hat{\mu}_G^2}{12 m_b} (v^\rho (3 + 5 \not{v}) - 2 \gamma^\rho) - \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3 + \hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{12 m_b^2} (4 v^\rho \not{v} - \gamma^\rho) \right) + \right. \\ \left. + \left( - \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{12 m_b} [(v^\rho (3 + 5 \not{v}) - 2 \gamma^\rho) \not{s} \gamma_5 + 4 s^\rho \mathbf{P}_+ \gamma_5] + \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{4 m_b} [(v^\rho (1 + 2 \not{v}) - \gamma^\rho) \not{s} \gamma_5 + s^\rho \gamma_5] + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{12 m_b^2} [(v^\rho (1 + 4 \not{v}) - 2 \gamma^\rho) \not{s} \gamma_5 + s^\rho (2 - \not{v}) \gamma_5] + \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{8 m_b^2} [(3 v^\rho \not{v} - \gamma^\rho) \not{s} \gamma_5 + s^\rho \gamma_5] \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{M} = M_H \left[ \left( \mathbf{P}_+ - \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2 - \hat{\mu}_G^2}{4 m_b^2} \right) + \left( \mathbf{P}_+ + \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{24 m_b^2} (7 + 5 \not{v}) - \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{8 m_b^2} (3 + \not{v}) - \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{6 m_b^3} \mathbf{P}_- \right) \not{s} \gamma_5 \right]$$

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### Double differential decay distribution

$$\frac{d^2\Gamma}{dy d \cos \theta_P} = \tilde{\Gamma}_1 + \tilde{\Gamma}_2 \cos \theta_P$$

- $y \equiv 2 E_\gamma / m_b$ : photon energy
- $\theta_P$ : angle between hadron spin  $s$  and photon momentum  $q$ :  $\cos \theta_P \equiv \frac{s \cdot q}{|s||q|}$

### Photon energy spectrum

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\Gamma_0} \frac{d\Gamma}{dy} = & \left[ 1 - \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{2 m_b^2} - \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{2 m_b^2} \frac{3+5z}{1-z} - \frac{10 \hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right] \delta(1-z-y) + \\ & + \left[ \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{2 m_b^2} (1-z) - \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{6 m_b^2} (3+5z) - \frac{4 \hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} (1+2z) + \frac{2 \hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{3 m_b^3} (1+z) \right] \delta'(1-z-y) + \\ & + \left[ \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{6 m_b^2} (1-z)^2 - \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} (1-z)(1+2z) + \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{6 m_b^3} (1-z^2) \right] \delta''(1-z-y) + \\ & - \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{18 m_b^3} (1-z)^2 (1+z) \delta'''(1-z-y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Gamma_0 \equiv \frac{\alpha G_F^2 |\lambda_t|^2}{32 \pi^4} m_b^5 (1-z)^3 [ |C_+^{\text{eff}}|^2 + |C_+^{\text{eff}}|^2 ]$$

### Angular differential distribution

$$z \equiv \frac{m_s^2}{m_b^2} \quad C_+^{\text{eff}} \equiv C_7^{\text{eff}} + \sqrt{z} C_7^{\prime \text{eff}} \quad C_+^{\prime \text{eff}} \equiv \sqrt{z} C_7^{\text{eff}} + C_7^{\prime \text{eff}}$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma(H_b \rightarrow X_s \gamma)}{d \cos \theta_P} = A + B \cos \theta_P$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(H_b \rightarrow X_s \gamma) \quad B = -\frac{\Gamma_0}{2} \frac{|C_+^{\text{eff}}|^2 - |C_+^{\prime \text{eff}}|^2}{|C_+^{\text{eff}}|^2 + |C_+^{\prime \text{eff}}|^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{13 \hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{12 m_b^2} - \frac{3 \hat{\mu}_G^2}{4 m_b^2} \frac{5+3z}{1-z} - \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{6 m_b^3} \frac{31+9z}{1-z} \right]$$

### Decay width

$$\Gamma(H_b \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = \Gamma_0 \left[ 1 - \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{2 m_b^2} - \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{2 m_b^2} \frac{3+5z}{1-z} - \frac{10 \hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right]$$

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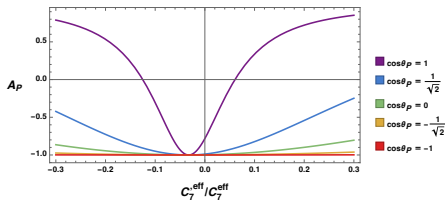
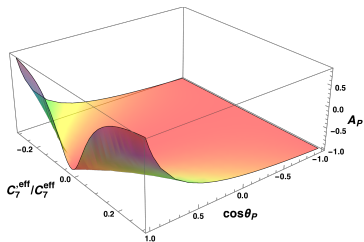
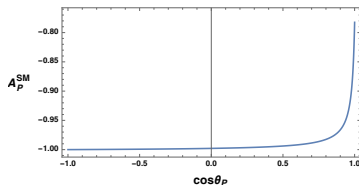
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## Photon polarization asymmetry: $A_P$

Relative abundance of the LH photons wrt the RH ones (+ VS – polarization)

$$A_P(\cos\theta_P) = \frac{\frac{d\Gamma_+}{d\cos\theta_P} - \frac{d\Gamma_-}{d\cos\theta_P}}{\frac{d\Gamma_+}{d\cos\theta_P} + \frac{d\Gamma_-}{d\cos\theta_P}}$$

In SM:  $A_P(\cos\theta_P) \simeq -1$



Deviations of  $A_P$  from SM can be obtained

Largest effects for  $\cos\theta_P \simeq 1$

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$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{dy} = \sum_n \frac{M_n}{n!} \delta^{(n)}(1-z-y) \quad M_n = \sum_{k=n} \frac{M_{n,k}}{m_b^k} = \frac{M_{n,n}}{m_b^n} + \frac{M_{n,n+1}}{m_b^{n+1}} + \dots$$

Moments  $M_n$  (computed up to  $1/m_b^3$  in our case)

$$M_0 = 1 \quad M_1 = \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{2 m_b^2} (1-z) - \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{6 m_b^2} (3+5z) - \frac{4 \hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} (1+2z) + \frac{2 \hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{3 m_b^3} (1+z)$$

$$M_2 = \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{2 m_b^2} (1-z)^2 - \frac{2 \hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} (1-z)(1+2z) + \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{3 m_b^3} (1-z^2) \quad M_3 = -\frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} (1-z)^2 (1+z)$$

Photon energy moments VS  $M_n$

$$\langle y^k \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\Gamma} \int_0^{y_{\max}} dy y^k \frac{d\Gamma}{dy} = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} (1-z)^{k-j} M_j$$

$$\langle y \rangle = (1-z) + M_1$$

$$\langle y^2 \rangle = (1-z)^2 + 2(1-z) M_1 + M_2$$

$$\sigma_y^2 = \langle y^2 \rangle - \langle y \rangle^2 = M_2 - M_1^2$$

$$\text{LO} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{dy} = \delta(1-z-y) \Rightarrow \langle y \rangle|_{\text{LO}} = 1-z \quad \sigma_y^2|_{\text{LO}} = 0$$

$$\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^N) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{dy} = \sum_{n=0}^N \frac{M_n}{n!} \delta^{(n)}(1-z-y) \Rightarrow \langle y \rangle|_{\mathbf{N}} = 1-z + M_1(N) \quad \sigma_y^2|_{\mathbf{N}} > 0$$

For **any** order in the  $1/m_b$  expansion: photon energy spectrum  $\leftrightarrow$  **monochromatic** line

## Fermi motion

The spectrum obtained by the short distance OPE **does not account for** the Fermi motion of the  $b$  quark due to soft interactions with the light degrees of freedom in the hadron.



Important **close** to the end point region of the photon energy spectrum

Fermi motion has the effect of **smearing** the spectrum

Taken into account introducing a **shape function**:

- is a non perturbative quantity
- produces the smearing through convolution
- provides an interpretation of the singular terms in the photon energy spectrum

$$S_s(y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{M_n}{n!} \delta^{(n)}(1 - z - y) \quad \leftarrow \text{Resum all the singular terms}$$

## Shape function

### Spectral function VS Shape function

$$S_s(y) = \int dk_+ \delta\left(1 - y - z + \frac{k_+}{m_b}\right) [f(k_+) + \mathcal{O}(m_b^{-1})]$$

↑  
Shape function

Convolution with  $f(k_+)$  has the effect of **smearing** the spectrum

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dy} = \int dk_+ f(k_+) \frac{d\Gamma^*}{dy} \quad m_b \rightarrow m_b^* = m_b + k_+$$

$$k_+ \in [-m_b, M_H - m_b] \quad \Rightarrow \quad y \rightarrow y = \frac{2 E_\gamma}{m_b + k_+} \quad \Rightarrow \quad E_\gamma \in [0, \underbrace{M_H/2}]$$

physical endpoint ( $m_s = 0$ ) ↑

# Shape function: our ansatz

Notice that

$$\lim_{m_b \rightarrow \infty} \langle y \rangle | \mathbf{N} = \langle y \rangle | \mathbf{LO} = 1 - z$$

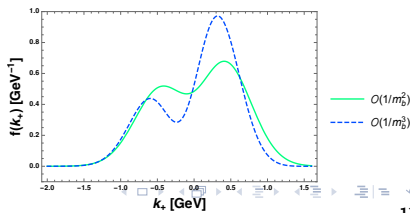
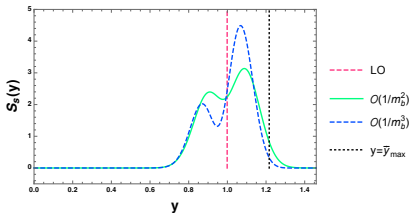
$$\lim_{m_b \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_y^2 | \mathbf{N} = \sigma_y^2 | \mathbf{LO} = 0$$

Exploit

$$\delta(b - y) = \lim_{\sigma_y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_y} e^{-\frac{(b-y)^2}{2\sigma_y^2}} \quad b = 1 - z = \langle y \rangle | \mathbf{LO}$$

Ansatz

$$S_s(y) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_y} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{M_n}{n!} \left( \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_y} \right)^n e^{-\frac{(b-y)^2}{2\sigma_y^2}} \underbrace{H_n \left( \frac{b-y}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_y} \right)}_{\text{Hermite polynomials}}$$



## Comparison with other approaches

### Previous approaches

- Shape function **modelled** to reproduce the experimental photon spectrum (SIMBA Collaboration for  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ )
- Parameters set by the first computed moments  $M_n$  (**not** guaranteed that higher moments are reproduced)
- Moments  $M_n$  **generally** increase with the order  $n$

### Our approach

- **All** moments  $M_n$  can be included
- **Any** shape function moment is obtained by  $M_n$  which starts at  $\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^n)$
- Expansion in Hermite polynomials **not** arbitrary
- **No** parameters

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## Results

- HQE to compute the inclusive decay width induced by  $b \rightarrow s \gamma$  transition for beauty baryons (e.g.  $\Lambda_b$ )
- $\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^3)$  for non-vanishing  $s$ -quark mass, using the baryon matrix elements  $\mathcal{M}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}$
- NP operator  $O_7'$  **affects** the photon polarization asymmetry
- Treatment of the singularities (from  $1/m_b$  expansion) **systematically** improved:  
 $\delta^{(n)}$  distributions in the spectrum replaced with **smooth** distributions

# Back-up



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## Wilson coefficient $C_7$

### Renormalization Group Evolution

At  $\mu_b \simeq \mathcal{O}(m_b)$  involves  $O_8$  and  $O_{1,\dots,6}$

- the mixing generates **large** logarithms (**strong** enhancement of the rate)
- anomalous dimension matrix turns out to be regularization **scheme dependent**
- $C_7(\mu_b) \rightarrow C_7^{\text{eff}}(\mu_b)$ : **effective** coefficient (contributions of  $O_{1,\dots,6}$ )

$O_7$  **dominant** contribution to  $b \rightarrow s \gamma$  [in SM  $C_i(m_b)$  **known** at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ ]\*

### Physics beyond SM can produce a sizable effect

For a quantitative insight on the possible deviation from SM, we consider ranges for

- Assumption: **both** coefficients are **real**
- Exploiting the results of a global fit of the  $b \rightarrow s$  transitions<sup>†</sup>

$$\frac{C_7^{\text{eff}}}{C_7^{\text{eff}}} \in [-0.3, 0.3]$$

\* M. Misiak, *Acta Phys. Polon. B* 49 (2018) 1291 - 1300.

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## Scheme dependence for $m_b$

$$\Gamma(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) \text{ computed using } m_b \text{ in } \begin{cases} 1S \text{ scheme } (*) \\ \text{kinetic scheme } (*) \end{cases}$$

For  $E_\gamma > 1.6 \text{ GeV}$

$$\mathcal{B}(\bar{B} \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = \begin{cases} (3.15 \pm 0.23) 10^{-4} (*) \\ (3.26 \pm 0.24) 10^{-4} (*) \end{cases} \quad \mathcal{B}(\bar{B} \rightarrow X_s \gamma) = \begin{cases} (3.55 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.09) 10^{-4} (\dagger) \\ (3.50 \pm 0.17) 10^{-4} (\ddagger) \end{cases}$$

Agreement with SM at  $1.2 \sigma$

Measurements (rates and moments) aimed at constraining  $C_7$

Numerics

$$\begin{array}{cccc} m_b = 4.62 \text{ GeV} & m_s = 0.150 \text{ GeV} & & \\ \hat{\mu}_\pi^2 = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2 & \hat{\mu}_G^2 = 0 \text{ GeV}^2 & \hat{\rho}_D^3 = 0.17 \text{ GeV}^3 & \hat{\rho}_{LS}^2 = 0 \text{ GeV}^3 \end{array}$$

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### Electromagnetic tensor

- Summing and averaging on the photon polarization

$$\mathcal{F}^{MN} \equiv \mathcal{F}^{\mu\nu\mu'\nu'} = \sum_{\epsilon} 4 q^{\nu} q^{\nu'} \epsilon^{\mu} \epsilon^{*\mu'} = -4 q^{\nu} q^{\nu'} g^{\mu\mu'}$$

- Specifying the photon polarization

$$\mathcal{F}_{\pm}^{MN} = 4 q^{\nu} q^{\nu'} \epsilon_{\pm}^{\mu} \epsilon_{\pm}^{*\mu'} \quad \text{with} \quad \epsilon_{\pm} = \mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0, 1, \pm i, 0)$$

$$(T^{ij})_{MN} \sim \langle H_b(v, s) | \bar{b}_v(0) iD^{\mu_1} \dots iD^{\mu_n} b_v(0) | H_b(v, s) \rangle$$

$$k = n \rightarrow h_v \text{ is taken into account} \rightarrow \text{EoM: } (i v \cdot D) h_v = 0 \rightarrow \text{(HQET)}$$

$$0 \leq k < n \rightarrow b_v \text{ is taken into account} \rightarrow \text{EoM: } (i v \cdot D) b_v = -\frac{i \not{D} i \not{D}}{2 m_b} b_v \rightarrow \text{(QCD)}$$

## Outline of the calculation

### Full decomposition

$$\sum_{i,j=7,7'} C_i^{\text{eff}*} C_j^{\text{eff}} (T^{ij})_{MN} \mathcal{F}^{MN} = \left[ (m_b^2 + m_s^2) (|C_7^{\text{eff}}|^2 + |C_7'^{\text{eff}}|^2) + 4 m_b m_s \text{Re}[C_7^{\text{eff}} C_7'^{\text{eff}*}] \right] \tilde{T} + (m_b^2 - m_s^2) (|C_7^{\text{eff}}|^2 - |C_7'^{\text{eff}}|^2) \tilde{S}$$

$$\tilde{T} = 16 M_H (v \cdot q)^2 \sum_{i=1}^4 \left( \frac{m_b}{\Delta_0} \right)^n \tilde{T}_n \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{S} = 16 M_H (v \cdot q) (q \cdot s) \sum_{i=1}^4 \left( \frac{m_b}{\Delta_0} \right)^n \tilde{S}_n$$

$$\tilde{T}_1 = 1 + \frac{5}{6} \left[ \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{m_b^2} - \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{m_b^2} \right] - \frac{2}{3} \left[ \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{m_b^3} + \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{m_b^3} \right]$$

$$\tilde{T}_2 = \frac{7 v \cdot q}{3} \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{m_b^2} + \frac{4 m_b - 5 v \cdot q}{3} \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{m_b^2} + \frac{2}{3} \left[ (4 m_b - 3 v \cdot q) \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{m_b^3} + (2 m_b - 3 v \cdot q) \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{m_b^3} \right]$$

$$\tilde{T}_3 = \frac{4 (v \cdot q)^2}{3} \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{m_b^2} + \frac{4 (m_b - v \cdot q) (v \cdot q)}{3} \left[ 2 \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{m_b^3} + \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{m_b^3} \right] \quad \tilde{T}_4 = \frac{8 (m_b - v \cdot q) (v \cdot q)^2}{3} \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{m_b^3}$$

$$\tilde{S}_1 = 1 + \frac{1}{4} \left[ \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{m_b^2} + \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{m_b^2} \right] + \frac{1}{6} \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{m_b^3}$$

$$\tilde{S}_2 = \frac{7 v \cdot q}{3} \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{m_b^2} + (2 m_b - v \cdot q) \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{m_b^2} + \frac{2 (4 m_b - 3 v \cdot q)}{3} \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{m_b^3}$$

$$\tilde{S}_3 = \frac{4 (v \cdot q)^2}{3} \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{m_b^2} + \frac{8 (m_b - v \cdot q) (v \cdot q)}{3} \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{m_b^3} \quad \tilde{S}_4 = \frac{8 (m_b - v \cdot q) (v \cdot q)^2}{3} \frac{\hat{\rho}_D^3}{m_b^3}$$

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## Photon energy moments

$\delta$  distribution

$$S_s(y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{M_n}{n!} \delta^{(n)}(1-z-y) \quad \rightarrow \quad \langle y^k \rangle_{\delta} \equiv \int_0^{y^{\max}} dy y^k S_s(y) = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} (1-z)^{k-j} M_j$$

First  $N + 1$  moments:  $\{M_0, M_1, \dots, M_N\}$

$$M_n = \sum_{k=n}^N \frac{M_{n,k}}{m_b^k} = \frac{M_{n,n}}{m_b^n} + \frac{M_{n,n+1}}{m_b^{n+1}} + \dots + \frac{M_{n,N}}{m_b^N} \equiv M_n(N)$$

Up to  $\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^3)$

	LO	$\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^2)$	$\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^3)$
$\langle y \rangle = (1-z) \left[ 1 + \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{2 m_b^2} - \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{6 m_b^2} \frac{3+5z}{1-z} - \frac{4 \hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} \frac{1+2z}{1-z} + \frac{2 \hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{3 m_b^3} \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right]$	0.999	1.011	1.008
$\langle y^2 \rangle = (1-z)^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{4 \hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{3 m_b^2} - \frac{\hat{\mu}_G^2}{3 m_b^2} \frac{3+5z}{1-z} - \frac{10 \hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} \frac{1+2z}{1-z} + \frac{5 \hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{3 m_b^3} \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right]$	0.998	1.029	1.023
$\sigma_y^2 = (1-z)^2 \left[ \frac{\hat{\mu}_\pi^2}{3 m_b^2} - \frac{2 \hat{\rho}_D^3}{3 m_b^3} \frac{1+2z}{1-z} + \frac{\hat{\rho}_{LS}^3}{3 m_b^3} \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right]$	0	0.008	0.007

$m_b \rightarrow \infty$  (fixed order of the expansion)

$$\lim_{m_b \rightarrow \infty} \langle y^k \rangle|_{\mathbf{N}} = \lim_{m_b \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} (1-z)^{k-j} M_j(N) = (1-z)^k = \langle y^k \rangle|_{\text{LO}}$$



## Photon energy moments

$\mathcal{N}$  distribution

$$S_s(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_y} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{M_n}{n!} \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_y}\right)^n e^{-\frac{(b-y)^2}{2\sigma_y^2}} H_n\left(\frac{b-y}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_y}\right) \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow \langle y^k \rangle_{\mathcal{N}} = \int_0^{y_{\max}} dy y^k S_s(y) = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} b^{k-j} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M_n (-\sqrt{2}\sigma_y)^{j-n} \Phi_{j,n}$$

$$\Phi_{j,n} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_{m=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \frac{(-1)^m}{m!(n-2m)!} 2^{n-2m} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \gamma\left(\frac{j+n-2m+1}{2}, x_{\max}^2\right) - (-1)^{j+n-2m+1} \gamma\left(\frac{j+n-2m+1}{2}, x_{\min}^2\right) \right]$$

if  $\text{Re}(j+n-2m) > -1$

$$\gamma(s, x) = \Gamma(s) - \Gamma(s, x)$$

$$x_{\max} = \frac{b - y_{\min}}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_y} > 0 > x_{\min} = \frac{b - y_{\max}}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_y}$$

From  $\mathcal{N}$  to  $\delta$

$\Phi_{j,n}$  depends on  $\sigma_y$   
only through  $x_{\max(\min)}$   $\rightarrow \lim_{\sigma_y \rightarrow 0} x_{\max(\min)} = +(-)\infty \rightarrow \lim_{\sigma_y \rightarrow 0} \Phi_{j,n} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \neq j \\ 1 & \text{for } n = j \end{cases}$

$$\langle y^k \rangle_{\mathcal{N}} = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} b^{k-j} M_j + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{m_b^{N+1}}\right) \rightarrow \lim_{\sigma_y \rightarrow 0} \langle y^k \rangle_{\mathcal{N}} = \langle y^k \rangle_{\delta}$$

## Leading order in HQE

### Shape function in HQET

Considering the process  $H_b \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ , one defines the spectral function  $S_s(y)$

$$S_s(y) = \left\langle \delta \left[ 1 - y - z + \frac{2}{m_b} (\mathbf{v} - \hat{q}) \cdot i D \right] \right\rangle \quad \hat{q} = \frac{\mathbf{q}}{m_b}, \quad \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{\langle H_b(\mathbf{v}) | \bar{h}_v \mathcal{O} \bar{h}_v | H_b(\mathbf{v}) \rangle}{\langle H_b(\mathbf{v}) | \bar{h}_v \bar{h}_v | H_b(\mathbf{v}) \rangle}$$

Introducing the vector  $n_\mu + \delta n_\mu$  (in the **shape function region**)

$$n_\mu + \delta n_\mu = 2(\mathbf{v} - \hat{q})|_{y=1-z} \quad n^2 = 0 \quad \mathbf{v} \cdot n = 1 \quad n \cdot \delta n \sim \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_b)$$

$$S_s(y) = \left\langle \delta \left[ 1 - y - z + \frac{i D_+}{m_b} \right] \right\rangle = \int dk_+ \delta \left( 1 - y - z + \frac{k_+}{m_b} \right) [f(k_+) + \mathcal{O}(m_b^{-1})] \quad k_+ \equiv n \cdot k$$

## Broadening of the spectrum

Perturbative gluon bremsstrahlung **AND** Motion of the  $b$  quark in the hadron

### Difficulties

1. Singular terms appear at higher orders in the HQE

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dE_\gamma} \sim \sum_n c_n \delta^{(n)}(E_\gamma - E_\gamma^{\max})$$

Endpoint: partonic (~~hadronic~~) kinematics!

Gap governed by nonperturbative physics responsible of bound state effects

- **related** to the Fermi motion of the heavy quark in the decaying hadron
  - **accounted** for introducing a shape function which encodes information on the distribution of the  $b$  quark residual momentum in the hadron
2. Resolved photon contribution (RPC) related to the photon couplings different from the effective weak interaction vertex
    - 2.1 most important contribution: operators  $O_2$  and  $O_8$
    - 2.2 effects at  $\mathcal{O}(1/m_b)$  not explainable by HQE (but with subleading shape functions)

## Other models of the shape function

### Example<sup>†</sup>

1. **Only** the most singular terms in the  $M_n$  expansion are considered
2. A **single** Gaussian distribution is obtained
3. **Symmetric** shape function is established

### Example<sup>‡</sup>

1. Based on a **choice** of a functional representation able to reproduce the photon spectrum, with parameters set by the first computed moments  $M_n$
2. Such representations **generally** do not guarantee that higher moments are reproduced
3. In such models the moments  $M_n$  **generally** increase with the order  $n$

### Example<sup>\*</sup>

1. Shape function assumed **positive**
2. **Arbitrary** complete set of orthonormal function is used (Legendre polynomials)
3. Parameters **required** to reproduce the shape function

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