

Describing inclusive semileptonic $b \rightarrow c \ell \bar{\nu}$ decays to higher precision for inclusive V_{cb} determinations

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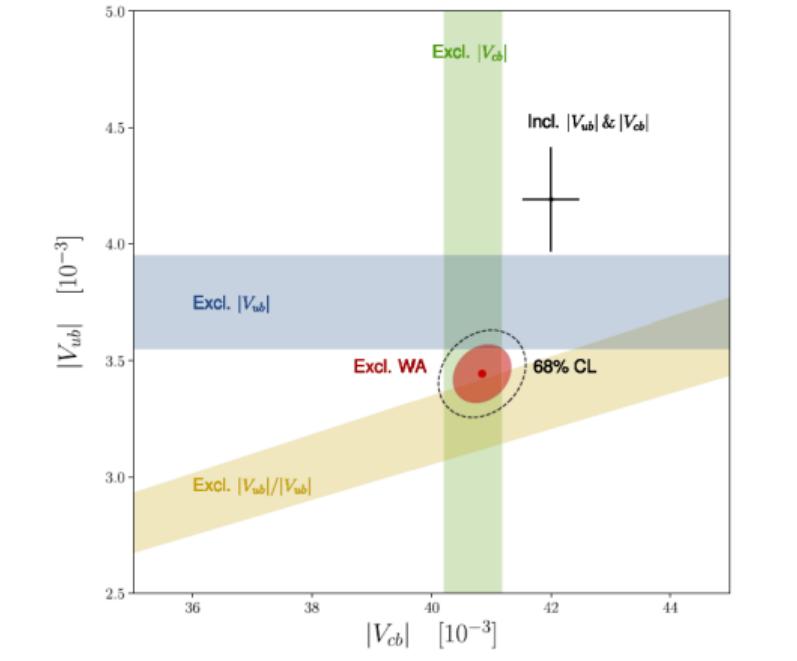
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The V_{cb} puzzle

- $b \rightarrow c(u)\ell\bar{\nu}$ decays allow for studies of physics beyond the Standard Model and extraction of CKM parameters
- V_{cb} is an important input for many Standard Model predictions
- Long-standing puzzle between different determinations
 - exclusive: known-final state, e.g. $B \rightarrow D\ell\bar{\nu}$
 - **inclusive**: summed over all possible final states, e.g. $B \rightarrow X_c\ell\bar{\nu}$



Bernlochner, Prim, Vos (*Eur. Phys. J. Spec. Top.* (2024))

Setting up the Heavy Quark Expansion

- m_b is large compared to Λ_{QCD} → power series in Λ_{QCD}/m_b
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- Split the momentum of the heavy quark as $p_b = m_b v + k$ where $v^2 = 1$
- Expand in residual momentum $k \sim iD$

HQE continued

- Perform Operator Product Expansion (OPE)

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$$d\Gamma = d\Gamma^{(3)} + \frac{1}{m_b^2} d\Gamma^{(5)} + \frac{1}{m_b^3} d\Gamma^{(6)} + \frac{1}{m_b^4} d\Gamma^{(7)} + \dots, \quad d\Gamma^{(n)} = \sum_i C_i^{(n)} \langle B | \mathcal{O}_i^{(n)} | B \rangle$$

- $d\Gamma^{(n)}$ are power series in $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$
- $C_i^{(n)}$ perturbative Wilson coefficients
- $\mathcal{O}^{(n)}$ local operators of dimension n
- $\langle B | \mathcal{O}_i^{(n)} | B \rangle$ non-perturbative matrix elements \rightarrow need to be extracted from data

Matrix elements

- The number of matrix elements increases very fast with the dimension:

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- $d\Gamma^{(3)}$: Partonic result ($d\Gamma^{(4)} = 0$ due to Heavy Quark Symmetries)
- $d\Gamma^{(5)}$: 2 parameters

$$2m_B\mu_\pi^2 = -\langle B|\bar{b}_v(iD)^2 b_v|B\rangle$$

$$2m_B\mu_G^2 = \langle B|\bar{b}_v(-i\sigma^{\mu\nu})(iD_\mu)(iD_\nu)b_v|B\rangle$$

- $d\Gamma^{(6)}$: 2 parameters

$$2m_B\rho_D^3 = \frac{1}{2}\langle B|\bar{b}_v[iD_\mu, [ivD, iD^\mu]]b_v|B\rangle$$

$$2m_B\rho_{LS}^3 = \frac{1}{2}\langle B|\bar{b}_v\{iD_\mu, [ivD, iD_\nu]\}(-i\sigma^{\mu\nu})b_v|B\rangle$$

- $d\Gamma^{(7)}$: 9 parameters (at tree level) Mannel, Turczyk, Uraltsev [1009.4622]; Kobach, Pal [1704.00008]
- $d\Gamma^{(8)}$: 18 parameters (at tree level) Mannel, Turczyk, Uraltsev [1009.4622]; Kobach, Pal [1704.00008]

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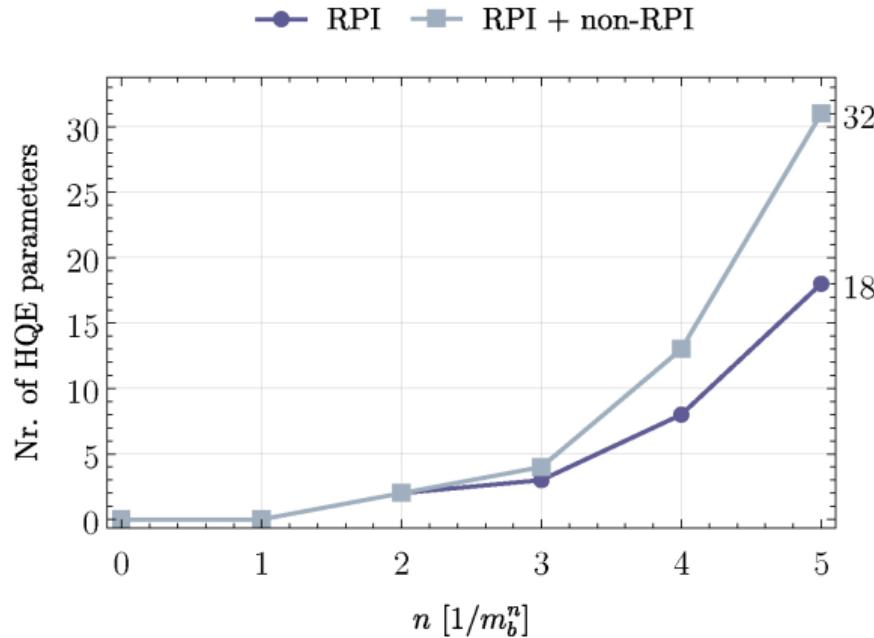
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- RPI relates different orders n in $1/m_b$ expansion Mannel, Vos [1802.09409]

$$\delta_{\text{RP}} \mathcal{C}^{(n)} \propto m_b \mathcal{C}^{(n+1)}$$

- This allows us to find combinations of operators which are RPI
- Lorentz invariant quantities depend on reduced set of RPI parameters

Counting RPI operators



- Up to $1/m_b^4$: total of 8 independent parameters Mannel, Vos [1802.09409]
- At $1/m_b^5$, we find **only 10 RPI operators** and 8 non-RPI operators Mannel, ISM, Vos [2311.12002]

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- **First determination** of V_{cb} up to $\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^4)$ and **first extraction** of $1/m_b^4$ matrix elements from data
- Agreement at **$1 - 2\sigma$ level** with previous $\mathcal{O}(1/m_b^3)$ determinations

Finauri, Gambino [2310.20324]; Bordone, Capdevila, Gambino [2107.00604]; Alberti, Gambino, Healey, Nandi [1411.6560]; Gambino, Schwanda [1307.4551]

Where do we currently stand?

Γ	tree	α_s	α_s^2	α_s^3
Partonic	✓	✓	✓	✓
$1/m_b^2$	✓	✓		
$1/m_b^3$	✓	✓		
$1/m_b^4$	✓			
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- **Green:** known perturbative corrections Jezabek, Kuhn (1989); Melnikov (2008); Pak, Czarnecki (2008); Becher, Boos, Lunghi (2007); Alberti, Gambino, Nandi (2014); Mannel, Pivovarov, Rosenthal (2015); Gambino, Healey, Turczyk (2016); Mannel, Pivovarov (2020); Fael, Schonwald, Steinhauser (2020, 2021)
- Next step in HQE is dimension 8: $1/m_b^5$

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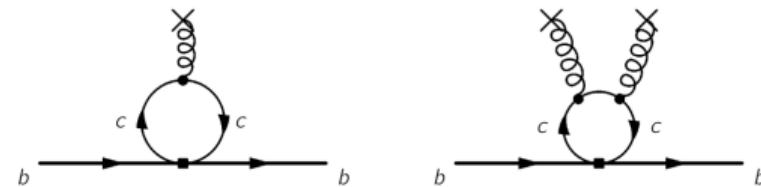
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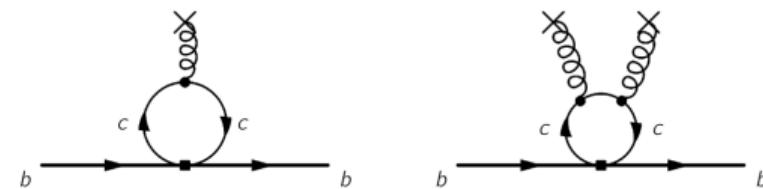
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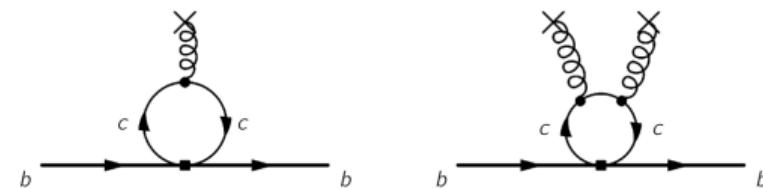


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- We need $1/m_b^3 \times 1/m_c^2$ contributions to complete the calculation at $1/m_b^4$
 - We calculate the full dimension 8 contributions
 - We extract the Intrinsic Charm contribution
 - We find that only 1 combination of parameters describes the IC in the q^2 -moments

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How to get the matrix elements...

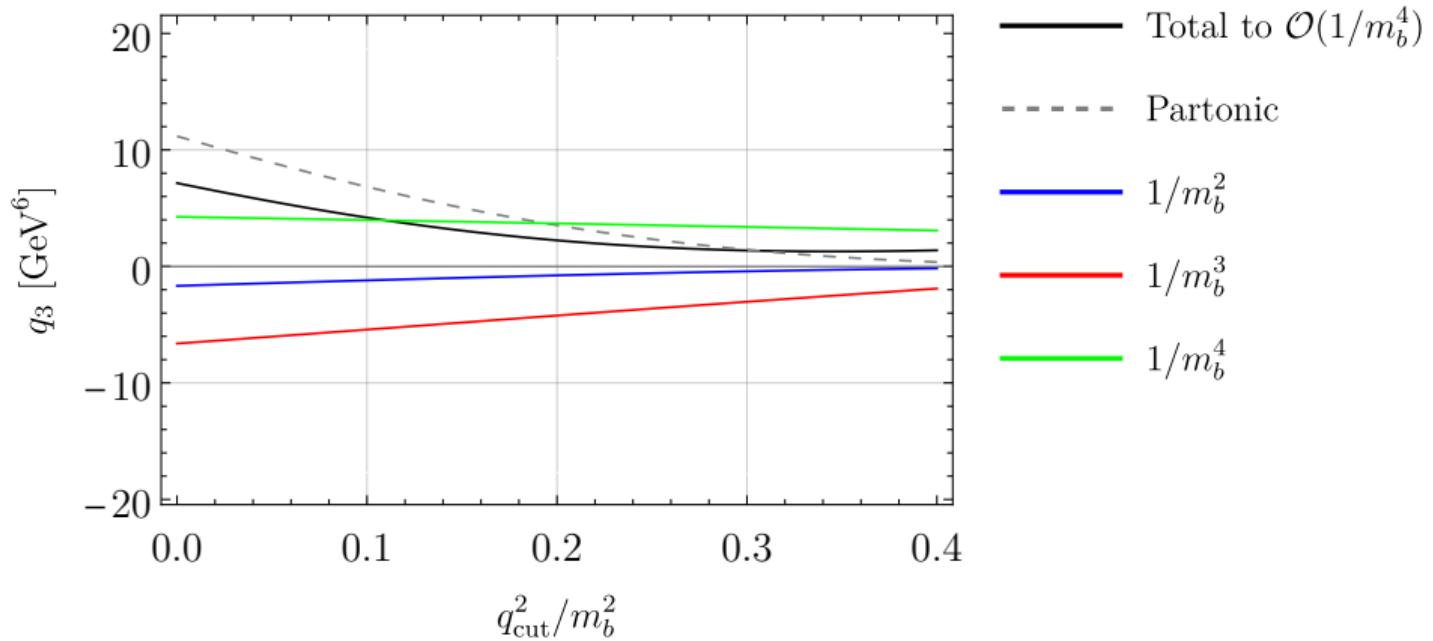
- At $1/m_b^5 \rightarrow$ too many HQE parameters to fit to data
- **LLSA:** Lowest-Lying-State Approximation to estimate through known parameters μ_π^2 , μ_G^2 , ρ_D^3 and ρ_{LS}^3

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$$\langle B | \bar{b} \ A C \Gamma \ b(0) | B \rangle = \frac{1}{2m_B} \sum_n \langle B | \bar{b} \ A \ b(0) | n \rangle \cdot \langle n | \bar{b} \ C \Gamma \ b(0) | B \rangle$$

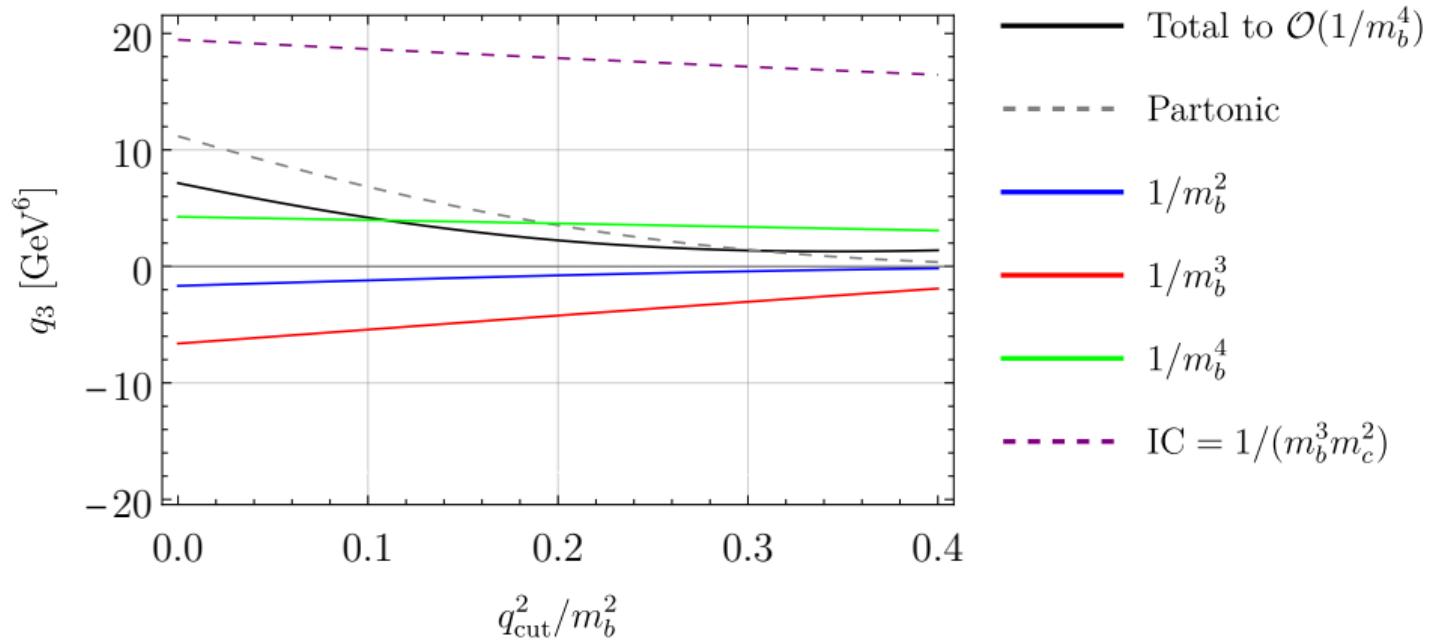
- $A = iD_{\mu_1} \dots iD_{\mu_k}$, $C = iD_{\mu_{k+1}} \dots iD_{\mu_n}$

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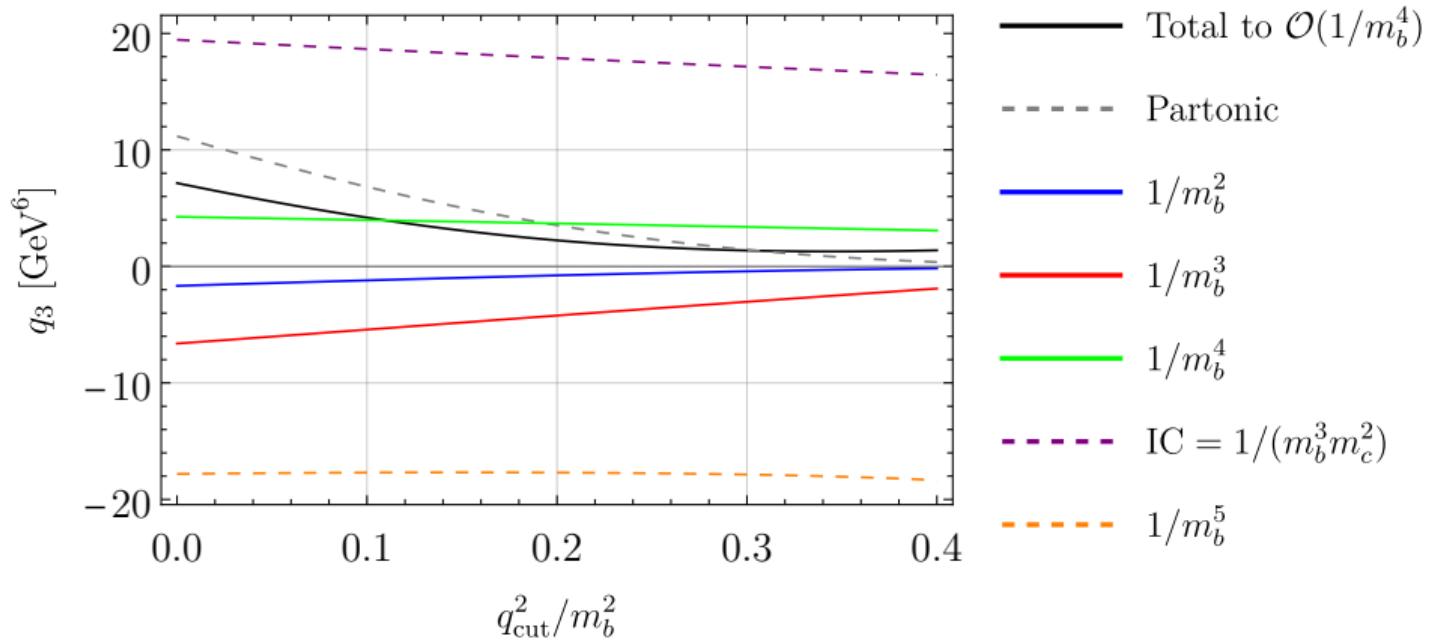
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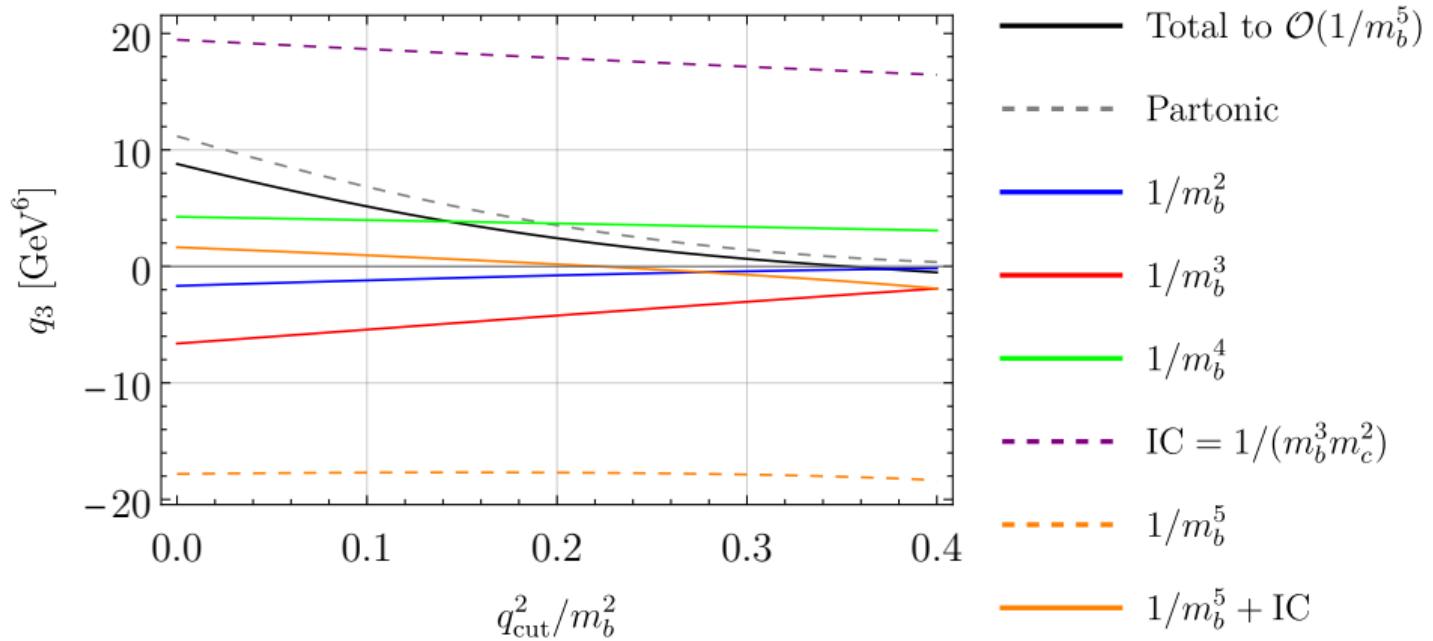
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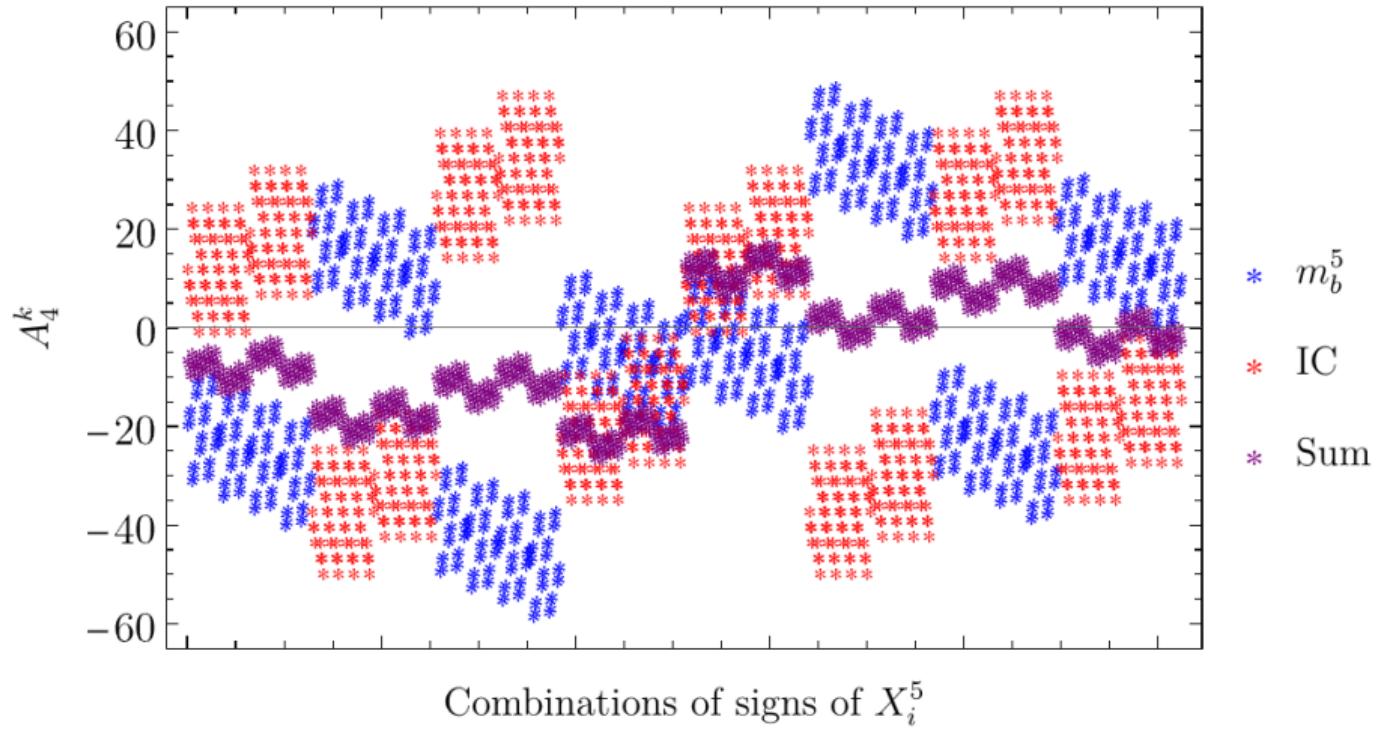
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- Work in progress:
 - Full $|V_{cb}|^{\text{incl}}$ fit to $1/m_b^5$
 - Further understand theory uncertainties through the study of Quark-Hadron Duality Violation

Back-up: Cancellation without LLSA

- Assume for all dimension 8 operators that $X_i^5 \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^5$ and vary signs:



Back-up: Calculation of forward matrix element

- **Step 1:** expand charm propagator ($Q^\mu = m_b v^\mu$)

$$\begin{aligned}-iS_{\text{BGF}} &= \frac{1}{Q + iD - m_c} \\&= \frac{1}{Q - m_c} - \frac{1}{Q - m_c}(iD) \frac{1}{Q - m_c} \\&\quad + \frac{1}{Q - m_c}(iD) \frac{1}{Q - m_c}(iD) \frac{1}{Q - m_c} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

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- **Step 2:** insert in forward matrix element

$$\begin{aligned} T = & \left[\Gamma \frac{1}{\not{Q} - m_c} \Gamma^\dagger \right]_{\alpha\beta} \langle \bar{b}_\alpha b_\beta \rangle \\ & - \left[\Gamma \frac{1}{\not{Q} - m_c} \gamma^\mu \frac{1}{\not{Q} - m_c} \Gamma^\dagger \right]_{\alpha\beta} \langle \bar{b}_\alpha (iD_\mu) b_\beta \rangle \\ & + \left[\Gamma \frac{1}{\not{Q} - m_c} \gamma^\mu \frac{1}{\not{Q} - m_c} \gamma^\nu \frac{1}{\not{Q} - m_c} \Gamma^\dagger \right]_{\alpha\beta} \langle \bar{b}_\alpha (iD_\mu) (iD_\nu) b_\beta \rangle \\ & + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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- **Step 3:** Determine **Trace formula**

- Start at dimension 8 → lengthy, but systematically calculable
- Compute dim-7, including $1/m_b$ correction through e.o.m.

$$(ivD)b_v = -\frac{1}{2m_b}(i\not{D})(i\not{D})b_v$$

- ...
- Compute dim-3, including corrections up to $1/m_b^5$

$$\langle \bar{b}_\alpha b_\beta \rangle = 2m_B \left(\frac{1+\gamma}{4} + \frac{1}{8m_b^2} (\mu_G^2 - \mu_\pi^2) + \mathcal{O}(1/m_b^6) \right)_{\beta\alpha}$$

- Need full (non-RPI) set of **basic parameters** up to $1/m_b^5$

- **Step 4:** Compute the trace with the geometric series