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# Numerical exploratory calculation of charming penguin contributions to $B(B_s) \rightarrow K(\eta_s)\ell^+\ell^-$

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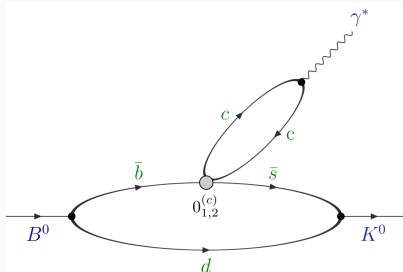
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# A (very) challenging calculation

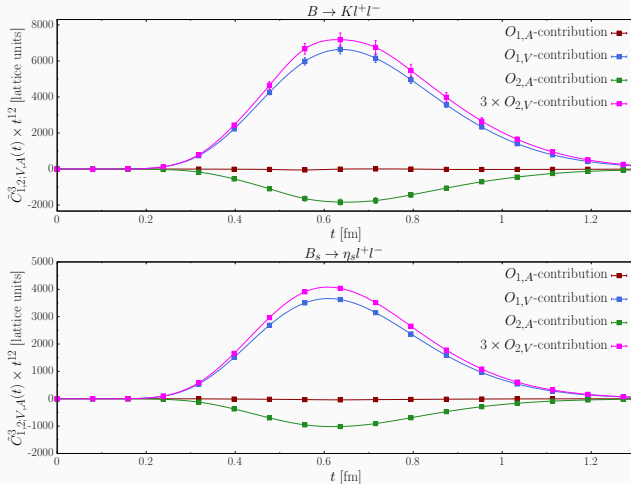


- We focus on the charming penguin diagram in the figure.
- We have investigated the possibility of computing this diagram on a single Extended Twisted Mass (ETM) gauge ensemble ( $a \simeq 0.08$  fm).

- We considered a single heavy quark mass  $m_h = 2m_c < m_b$ , and single photon momentum  $q \simeq 250$  MeV in the decaying meson rest frame.
- A full calculation requires handling both the **IR part** (through the SFR/HLT method) and the **UV part** (renormalization of the relevant matrix elements).
- For now we only performed a proof-of-principles calculation to show that the IR part (the previously-considered limiting factor) can be controlled.
- However, this is the first time charming penguin diagrams are investigated on the lattice.

# The lattice correlator for $t > 0$ (where SFR/HLT is required)

**\*\*PRELIMINARY\*\*** results for  $\tilde{C}_{1,2}^{\nu+}(t, q) = e^{-E_K(\eta_s)t} C_{1,2}^{\nu+}(t, q)$

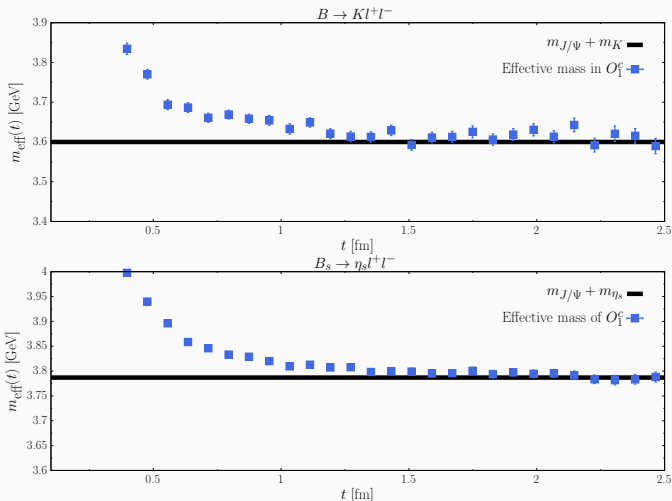


- In the factorization approximation:  $C_{1,V}^{\nu+} = 3C_{2,V}^{\nu+}$ ,  $C_{1,2,A}^{\nu+} = 0$ .
- We find a very small  $C_{1,A}^{\nu+}$ , but  $C_{2,A}^{\nu+}$  (purely non-fact.) is sizable.
- No renormalization performed: **these are the bare correlators.**

# Sanity check: the lowest intermediate-state energy

- Correlators  $\tilde{C}_{1,2}^{\nu+}(t, \mathbf{q})$  are of the form:  $\tilde{C}_{1,2}^{\nu+}(t, \mathbf{q}) = \sum_n A_{1,2}^{\nu+(n)} e^{-E_n t}$ .
- Lowest expected energy  $E_0$  is:

$$E_0 = m_{J/\Psi} + m_K \quad (B \rightarrow K \ell^+ \ell^-), \quad E_0 = m_{J/\Psi} + m_{\eta_s} \quad (B_s \rightarrow \eta_s \ell^+ \ell^-)$$



# From the Euclidean correlators to the amplitude

The charming-penguin contribution to the hadronic part ( $H_{1,2}^\nu(q)$ ) of the  $B \rightarrow K\ell^+\ell^-$  (or  $B_s \rightarrow \eta_s\ell^+\ell^-$ ) amplitude can be written as ( $q_0$  is  $\gamma^*$  energy)

$$H_{1,2}^\nu(q) = \underbrace{\int_{E_0^-}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_{1,2}^{\nu-}(E, q)}{E - m_B + q_0 - i\epsilon}}_{H_{1,2}^{\nu-}(q)} + \underbrace{\int_{E_0}^{\infty} \frac{dE}{2\pi} \frac{\rho_{1,2}^{\nu+}(E, q)}{E - m_B - i\epsilon}}_{H_{1,2}^{\nu+}(q)}$$

The spectral densities  $\rho_{1,2}^\pm$  are related to the Euclidean correlators through

$$C_{1,2}^{\nu-}(t, q) = \int_{E_0^-}^{\infty} \frac{dE}{2\pi} e^{-E|t|} \rho_{1,2}^{\nu-}(E, q), \quad \tilde{C}_{1,2}^{\nu+}(t, q) = \int_{E_0}^{\infty} \frac{dE}{2\pi} e^{-Et} \rho_{1,2}^{\nu+}(E, q)$$

- As shown by Chris, only the second term is problematic: the integrand develops singularities in the integration-range for  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ . In the **SFR method\*** one promotes  $\epsilon$  to a non-zero energy scale (which regularizes the singularities). This defines the **smeared amplitude**

$$H_{1,2}^{\nu+}(q, \epsilon) \equiv \int_{E_0}^{\infty} \frac{dE}{2\pi} \frac{\rho_{1,2}^{\nu+}(E, q)}{E - m_B - i\epsilon}$$

\* R. Frezzotti, G. Gagliardi, V. Lubicz, F. Sanfilippo, S. Simula, N. Tantalo, arXiv:2306.07228

# SFR/HLT applied to the charming penguin diagram

It is convenient to organize the calculation in such a way that the (difficult) part treated with SFR/HLT does not have contact divergencies:

$$H_{1,2}^\nu(q) = \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt C_{1,2}^\nu(t, q) f(t)}_{\text{easy-part, contact-log-divergence}} + \underbrace{\lim_{m \rightarrow m_{B(s)}} \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} H_{1,2}^{\nu+;3\text{-subs}}(q, m; \varepsilon)}_{\text{handled via SFR/HLT}}$$

$$H_{1,2}^{\nu+;3\text{-subs}}(q, m; \varepsilon) = \int_{E_0}^{\infty} \frac{dE}{2\pi} \rho^{\nu+}(E, q) K^{3\text{-subs}}(E, m; \varepsilon) ,$$

where the three-times-subtracted kernel is given by

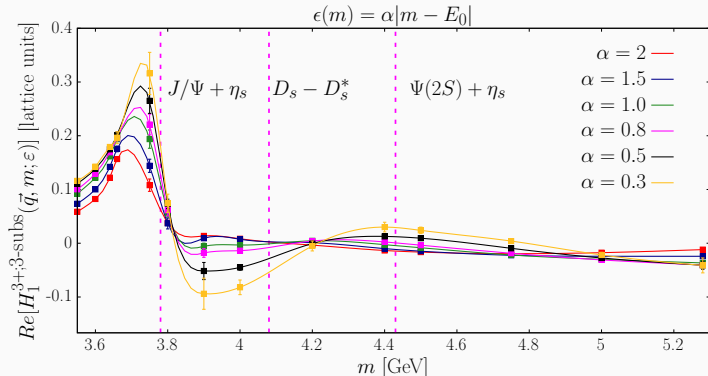
$$K^{3\text{-subs}}(E, m; \varepsilon) = \frac{1}{E - m - i\varepsilon} + \frac{3}{E + m - i\varepsilon} - \frac{3}{E - i\varepsilon} - \frac{1}{E + 2m - i\varepsilon}$$

We have done the exercise of computing  $H_{1,2}^{\nu+;3\text{-subs}}(q, m; \varepsilon)$  as a function of  $m$ , for different  $\varepsilon$ .

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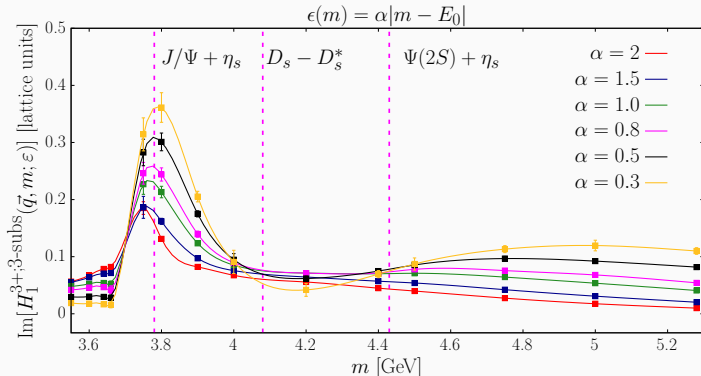
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# A simple model for $\rho_1^{\nu+}(E, q)$

Let's try to compare our results with a rough model for the spectral density  $\rho_1^{\nu+}$ , assuming the factorization approximation ( $V^\mu(x) = \bar{c}(x)\gamma^\mu c(x)$ )

$$\rho_1^{\nu+;\text{FA}}(E, q, m_H) = \langle \eta_s(-q) | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu b | B_s(0) \rangle \times Q_c \langle 0 | V_\mu(0) \delta(E - \mathbb{H}) V^\nu(0, q) | 0 \rangle$$

The first term parametrized by local FF  $f_0$  and  $f_+$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \eta_s(-q) | \bar{s} \gamma^\mu b(0) | B_s(0) \rangle &= f_+(q^2) \left( p_H^\mu + p_\eta^\mu - \frac{m_H^2 - m_{\eta_s}^2}{q^2} q^\mu \right) \\ &\quad + f_0(q^2) \frac{m_H^2 - m_{\eta_s}^2}{q^2} q^\mu \end{aligned}$$

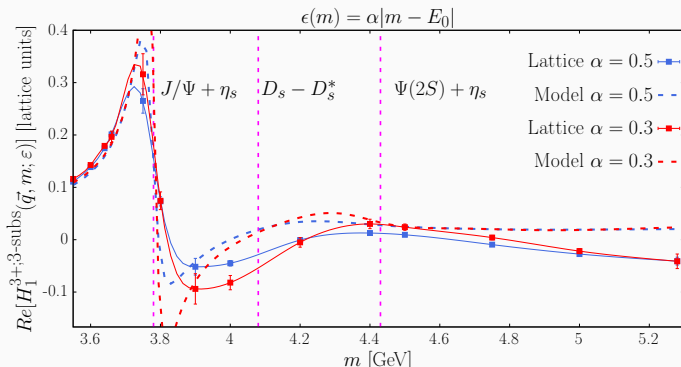
- $f_+(q^2)$ ,  $f_0(q^2)$  directly evaluated on the lattice.
- The  $c\bar{c}$  part modeled as a sum of charmonium resonances ( $V$ ) as:

$$\langle 0 | V_\mu(0) \delta(E - \mathbb{H}) V^\nu(0, \vec{q}) | 0 \rangle = \sum_V \frac{f_V^2 m_V^2}{2E_V} \left( \delta_\mu^\nu - \frac{1}{m_V^2} k_{V\mu} k_V^\nu \right) \delta(E - E_V)$$

- $E_V = \sqrt{m_V^2 + |q|^2}$ . Masses and decay constants taken from PDG for the first few resonances. We also added to  $\rho_1^{\nu+;\text{FA}}$  a perturbative high-energy part  $\propto E^2$ .

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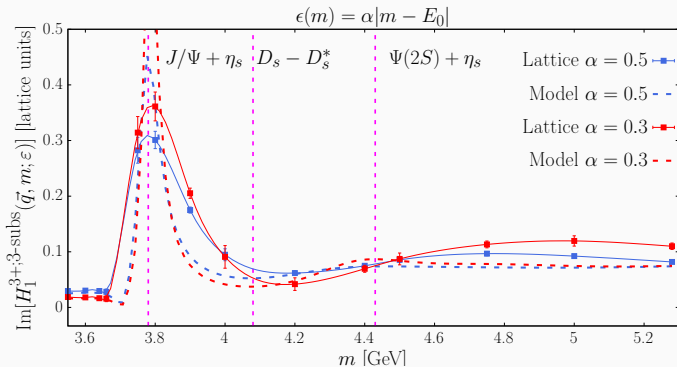
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## Todo list (Short-term):

- Perform SFR/HLT analysis also for  $B \rightarrow K\ell^+\ell^-$ .
- In the region of  $m$  where the spectral density is smooth (away from narrow  $c\bar{c}$  resonances) attempt  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  extrapolation.

## Todo list (Long-term):

- Producing phenomenologically relevant results for  $B \rightarrow K\ell^+\ell^-$  requires performing a series of very demanding calculations, e.g.: computations must be performed for several heavy-quark masses to extrapolate to physical  $b$  quark, several momenta  $q$  must be considered, all contractions of the four-fermion operators must be included (not only the charming-penguin).
- Non-perturbative renormalization must be performed, and calculations must be done on at least three gauge ensemble to perform continuum-limit extrapolation.

Thank you for the attention