

Angular Analysis of the Decay

$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda[\rightarrow N\pi]l^+l^-$$

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Effective Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left[V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i C_i \mathcal{O}_i + O(V_{ub} V_{us}^*) \right] + \text{h.c.}$$

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Decays

$$B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^- \quad B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \quad B \rightarrow K \ell^+ \ell^-$$

$$B \rightarrow K^* \gamma \quad B \rightarrow X_s \ell^+ \ell^- \quad B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$$

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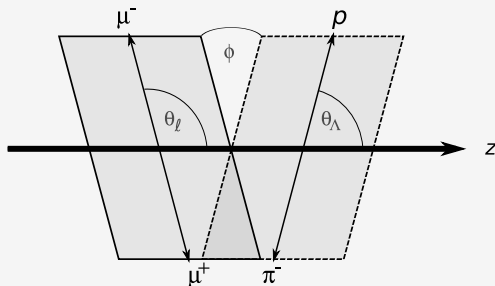
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- doubly weak decay: **complementary constraints** on $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$ physics with respect to $B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$

Kinematics and Decay Topology

$$\Lambda_b(p) \rightarrow \Lambda(k) [\rightarrow N(k_1) \pi(k_2)] \ell^+(q_1) \ell^-(q_2)$$



3 independent decay angles

- $\cos \theta_\Lambda \sim \bar{k} \cdot q$
- $\cos \theta_\ell \sim k \cdot \bar{q}$
- $\cos \phi \sim \bar{k} \cdot \bar{q}$

only for unpolarized Λ_b

Momenta

$$q = q_1 + q_2$$

$$\bar{q} = q_1 - q_2$$

$$k = k_1 + k_2$$

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In General

- using (overall 10) helicity form factors (FFs) [compare Feldmann/Yip 1111.1844]

$$\varepsilon^\dagger(\lambda) \cdot \langle \Lambda | \Gamma | \Lambda_b \rangle \sim f_\lambda^{\Gamma}(q^2)$$

- for lepton mass $m_\ell \rightarrow 0$ this reduces to 8 independent FFs
- results for all FFs expected from the lattice in the long run

Within HQET

- heavy quark spin symmetry reduces matrix elements to 2 FFs at leading power
- known from Lattice QCD [Detmold/Lin/Meinel/Wingate 1212.4827]

Within SCET

applicable when $E_\Lambda = O(m_b)$

- matrix elements reduce further to 1 single FF
- estimates from SCET sum rules [Feldmann/Yip 1111.1844]

$\Lambda \rightarrow N\pi$ Hadronic Matrix Element

- $\Lambda \rightarrow N\pi$ is a parity-violating weak decay
- branching fraction $\mathcal{B}[\Lambda \rightarrow N\pi] = (99.7 \pm 0.1)\%$ [PDG, our naive average]
- equations of motions reduce independent matrix elements to 2
- we choose to express them through
 - ▶ decay width Γ_Λ
 - ▶ parity-violating coupling α
- within small width approximation, Γ_Λ cancels
- α well known from experiment: $\alpha_{p\pi^-} = 0.642 \pm 0.013$ [PDG average]

Operator Basis

Semileptonic/Radiative Operators

SM and chirality-flipped operators

$$\mathcal{O}_{9(9')} = \frac{\alpha_e}{4\pi} [\bar{s}\gamma^\mu P_{L(R)} b][\bar{\ell}\gamma_\mu \ell] \quad \mathcal{O}_{10(10')} = \frac{\alpha_e}{4\pi} [\bar{s}\gamma^\mu P_{L(R)} b][\bar{\ell}\gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \ell]$$
$$\mathcal{O}_{7(7')} = \frac{e\bar{m}_b}{4\pi} [\bar{s}\sigma^{\mu\nu} P_{R(L)} b] F_{\mu\nu}$$

Hadronic Operators

contribute via intermediate off-shell photon

$$\mathcal{O}_1 = [\bar{c}\gamma^\mu P_L T^A b][\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_L T^A c]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_2 = [\bar{c}\gamma^\mu P_L b][\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_L c]$$

Hadronic Contributions

all exclusive $b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$ processes face problem of hadronic contributions

- hadronic operators give rise to e.g. $b \rightarrow s\bar{c}c$, hadronizes to $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda J/\psi (\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-)$
- systematically include effects via hadronic two-point function $\mathcal{T}(q^2)$

$$C_7 \langle \mathcal{O}_7 \rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(q^2)$$

- different approaches to obtain $\mathcal{T}(q^2)$, depending on kinematics
- $B \rightarrow K^*\ell^+\ell^-$: methods and domain of validity
 - ▶ small $q^2 \ll m_b^2$: QCD Factorization (QCDF) [Beneke/Feldmann/Seidel
hep-ph/0106067 and hep-ph/0412400]
 - ▶ large $q^2 \simeq m_b^2$: Operator Product Expansion (OPE) [Grinstein/Pirjol
hep-ph/0404250]
- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda\ell^+\ell^-$: the low recoil OPE can be directly applied at $q^2 \simeq m_b^2$

Angular Distribution of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda[\rightarrow N\pi]\ell^+\ell^-$

we define the angular distribution as

$$\frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{d^4\Gamma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_\ell d\cos\theta_\Lambda d\phi} \equiv K(q^2, \cos\theta_\ell, \cos\theta_\Lambda, \phi)$$

when considering only SM and chirality-flipped operators

$$\begin{aligned} K = & 1 \left(K_{1ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell + K_{1cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell \right. && \left. + K_{1c} \cos \theta_\ell \right) \\ & + \cos \theta_\Lambda \left(K_{2ss} \sin^2 \theta_\ell + K_{2cc} \cos^2 \theta_\ell \right. && \left. + K_{2c} \cos \theta_\ell \right) \\ & + \sin \theta_\Lambda \sin \phi \left(\right. && \left. K_{3sc} \sin \theta_\ell \cos \theta_\ell + K_{3s} \sin \theta_\ell \right) \\ & + \sin \theta_\Lambda \cos \phi \left(\right. && \left. K_{4sc} \sin \theta_\ell \cos \theta_\ell + K_{4s} \sin \theta_\ell \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$K_n \equiv K_n(q^2)$$

Angular Observables

- matrix elements parametrized through 8 transversity amplitudes $A_{\chi M}^\lambda$

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- express angular observables through transversity amplitudes, e.g.

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$$K_{2c} = \frac{\alpha}{2} [|A_{\perp 1}^R|^2 + |A_{\parallel 1}^R|^2 - (R \leftrightarrow L)]$$

\vdots

full list in the backups

Simple Observables

start with integrated decay width

$$\Gamma = 2K_{1ss} + K_{1cc}$$

define further observables X as weighted (ω_X) integrals

$$X = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \int \frac{d^3\Gamma}{d \cos \theta_\ell d \cos \theta_\Lambda d \phi} \omega_X(\cos \theta_\ell, \cos \theta_\Lambda, \phi) d \cos \theta_\ell d \cos \theta_\Lambda d \phi$$

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B fraction of longitudinal dilepton pairs

$$F_0 = \frac{2K_{1ss} - K_{1cc}}{2K_{1ss} + K_{1cc}} \quad \text{with } \omega_{F_0} = 2 - 5 \cos^2 \theta_\ell$$

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[Grinstein/Pirjol hep-ph/0404250], [Beylich/Buchalla/Feldmann 1101.5118]

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- all amplitudes factorize

- ▶ schematically

see backups for full expr

$$A^{R(L)} \propto C_{\pm}^{R(L)} \times f + \text{corrections}$$

- ▶ for only SM-like operators coefficients unify $C_{\pm}^{R(L)} \rightarrow C^{R(L)}$
- ▶ corrections suppressed: $O\left(\alpha_s \frac{\Lambda}{m_b}\right)$ and $O\left(\frac{C_7}{C_9} \frac{\Lambda}{m_b}\right)$

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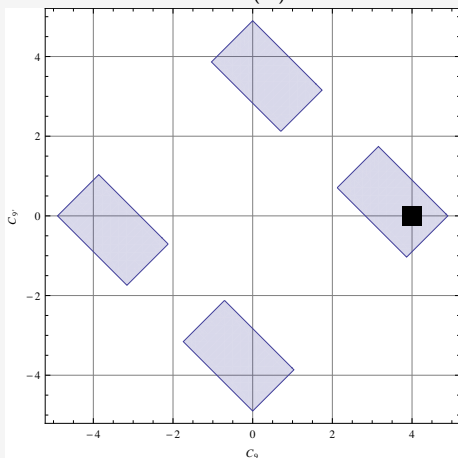
- which observables probe these new combinations?

▶ hadronic forward-backward asymmetry A_{FB}^{Λ} is sensitive to $\text{Re}(\rho_3^{\pm})$

▶ combined forward-backward asymmetry $A_{\text{FB}}^{\ell\Lambda}$ is sensitive to $\text{Re}(\rho_4)$

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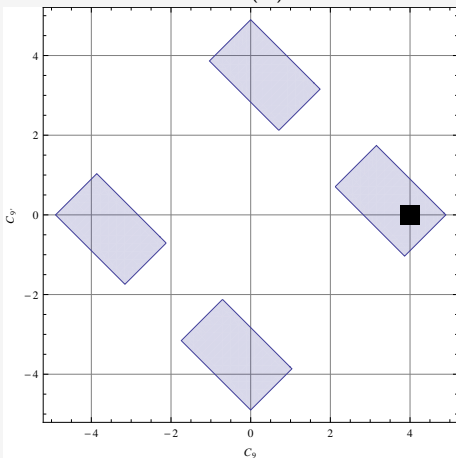


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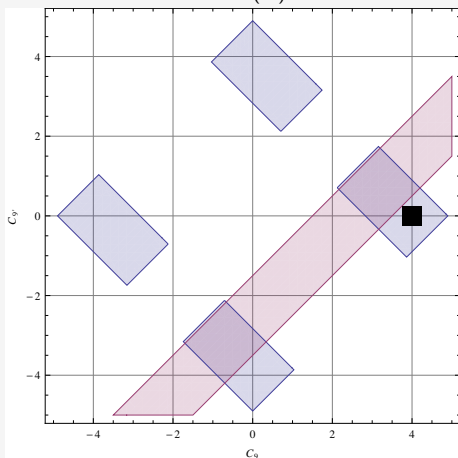
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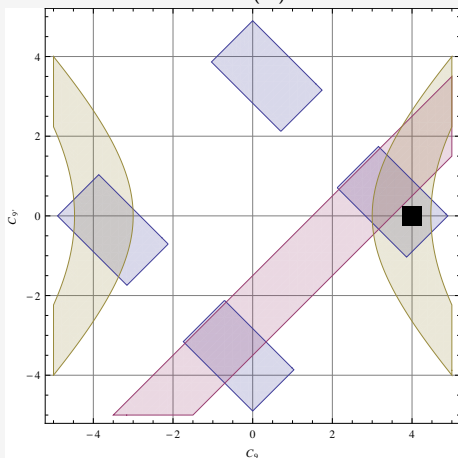
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 ρ_4 gold hyperbolic constraint

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Optimized Observables

Goals

construct observables ...

- ... that predominantly test short-distance physics
- ... that probe ratios of form factors

Short-distance sensitive observables

- in SM + SM' basis

$$\frac{K_{2cc}}{K_{1c}} = \frac{\alpha \operatorname{Re}(\rho_4)}{\operatorname{Re}(\rho_2)}$$

- in SM basis

$$\frac{K_{2cc}}{K_{1c}} = \frac{\alpha \rho_1}{2 \operatorname{Re}(\rho_2)} \quad \frac{K_{1cc}}{K_{2c}} = \frac{2\alpha \operatorname{Re}(\rho_2)}{\rho_1}$$

Form-factor ratios

- in SM + SM' only two ratios can be probed

$$\frac{2K_{2ss}}{K_{2cc}} \sim 1 + \frac{f_0^V f_0^A}{f_{\perp}^V f_{\perp}^A} \quad \frac{2K_{4sc}}{K_{2cc}} \sim \frac{f_0^V}{f_{\perp}^V} - \frac{f_0^A}{f_{\perp}^A}$$

- in SM basis also f_0^V/f_0^A , f_{\perp}^V/f_{\perp}^A can be probed

Numeric Results

- preliminary results

- ▶ low recoil region $14.18\text{GeV}^2 \leq q^2 \leq 20.30\text{GeV}^2$
- ▶ scale $\mu = 4.2\text{GeV}$
- ▶ uncertainties: form factors, CKM, quark masses

$$\langle \mathcal{B} \rangle = (5.2 \pm 0.8) \cdot 10^{-7}$$

$$\langle F_0 \rangle = 0.46 \pm 0.2$$

$$\langle A_{\text{FB}}^{\ell} \rangle = -0.266_{-0.015}^{+0.012}$$

$$\langle A_{\text{FB}}^{\Lambda} \rangle = +0.248_{-0.007}^{+0.006}$$

$$\langle A_{\text{FB}}^{\ell\Lambda} \rangle = -0.127 \pm 0.005$$

- agrees with \mathcal{B} measurement [LHCb 1306.2577, our naive average]

$$\langle \mathcal{B} \rangle = (6.2 \pm 2.1) \cdot 10^{-7}$$

Conclusion

- rare decay $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda(\rightarrow N\pi)\ell^+\ell^-$ mediated by $b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$
 - ▶ self-analyzing through weak $\Lambda \rightarrow N\pi$ decay
 - ▶ offers **complementary new** constraints on $b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$ physics
- decay induces **angular distribution** with 10 (or more) angular observables
 - ▶ three forward-backward asymmetries, two of which probe new constraints: A_{FB}^Λ and $A_{\text{FB}}^{\ell\Lambda}$
- predictions for observables at **low recoil** using **HQET form factor relations**

Outlook

- at low q^2 : spectator interaction basically unknown
- wait for lattice results on all 10 form factors for $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda$

Backup Slides

Angular Observables

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$$A_{\parallel 0}^{L(R)} = -\sqrt{2}NC_-^{L(R)} f_0^A \frac{m_{\Lambda_b} - m_{\Lambda}}{\sqrt{q^2}} \sqrt{s_+}$$

with $s_{\pm} = (m_{\Lambda_b} \pm m_{\Lambda})^2 - q^2$

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$$\rho_1^\pm = |C_{79} \pm C_{7'9'}|^2 + |C_{10} \pm C_{10'}|^2$$

$$\rho_2 = \text{Re}(C_{79}C_{10}^* - C_{7'9'}C_{10'}^*) - i \text{Im}(C_{79}C_{7'9'}^* + C_{10}C_{10'}^*)$$

$$\rho_3^\pm = 2 \text{Re}((C_{79} \pm C_{7'9'})(C_{10} \pm C_{10'})^*)$$

$$\rho_4 = (|C_{79}|^2 - |C_{7'9'}|^2 + |C_{10}|^2 - |C_{10'}|^2) - i \text{Im}(C_{79}C_{10'}^* - C_{7'9'}C_{10}^*).$$

Form Factor Uncertainties

- reproduce $\xi_{1,2}$ data points from the lattice [Detmold/Liu/Meinel/Wingate 1212.4827]
 - ▶ two points: $q^2 = 13.5\text{GeV}^2$ and $q^2 = 20.5\text{GeV}^2$
 - ▶ correlation across q^2 taken into account
 - ▶ correlation across $\xi_{1,2}$ **not** taken into account
- at subleading power, 6 further FFs emerge: $\chi_{1,\dots,6}$
 - ▶ order of magnitude $\sim m_\Lambda/m_{\Lambda_b}$
 - ▶ use **uncorrelated** gaussian priors