

Calculation of $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$ semileptonic decay form factors by lattice QCD

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CKM matrix

- In the Standard Model, the weak interaction with charged-currents are

$$-\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{u}_L & \bar{c}_L & \bar{t}_L \end{pmatrix} \gamma^\mu W_\mu^+ V_{\text{CKM}} \begin{pmatrix} d_L \\ s_L \\ b_L \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.}, \quad (1)$$

- The Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa (CKM) matrix is a 3 by 3 unitary matrix parametrized by three mixing angles and the CP-violating phase.

$$V_{\text{CKM}} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda^2 & \lambda & A\lambda^3(\rho - i\eta) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \lambda^2/2 & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3(1 - \rho - i\eta) & -A\lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

- Consistency of SM : check unitarity of V_{CKM} .

ε_K and V_{cb}

- The indirect CP violation parameter in the neutral kaon system ε_K depends on ρ and η : it gives constraint on the apex of the unitarity triangle.

$$\varepsilon_K \equiv \frac{\mathcal{A}[K_L \rightarrow \pi\pi(I=0)]}{\mathcal{A}[K_S \rightarrow \pi\pi(I=0)]} \quad (3)$$

- Standard model evaluation of $|\varepsilon_K^{\text{SM}}|$ using inputs determined from lattice QCD ($\hat{B}_K$, exclusive $|V_{cb}|$, and etc.) has a strong tension ($\sim 4\sigma$) with the experimental value [Weonjong Lee, et al., PRD 98, 094505 (2018)].

$$|\varepsilon_K^{\text{Exp}}| = (2.228 \pm 0.011) \times 10^{-3}, \quad |\varepsilon_K^{\text{SM}}| = (1.57 \pm 0.16) \times 10^{-3}, \quad (4)$$

- The largest error of $|\varepsilon_K^{\text{SM}}|$ comes from the uncertainty of V_{cb} .

$$\varepsilon_K^{\text{SM}} = \sqrt{2} \exp(i\theta) \sin(\theta) \left(C_\varepsilon X_{\text{SD}} \hat{B}_K + \dots \right) + \dots \quad (5)$$

$$X_{\text{SD}} = \bar{\eta} \lambda^2 |V_{cb}|^4 (1 - \bar{\rho}) + \dots \quad (6)$$

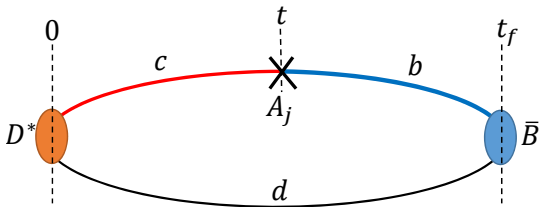
Around 30 % of total errors of $|\varepsilon_K^{\text{SM}}|$ is from the uncertainty of $|V_{cb}|$.

Current status of V_{cb}

- The determination of V_{cb} : Inclusive vs Exclusive

Determination	$ V_{cb} \times 10^{-3}$	memo
Exclusive($\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$)	39.3(7)	FNAL/MILC + HFLAG
Inclusive($\bar{B} \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}$)	42.5(9)	HFLAG

[HFLAG, Eur.Phys.J.C77, 895 (2017)] [Fermilab-MILC, PRD89,114504 (2014)]



- Determination of CKM matrix elements with lattice QCD

Experiment = known factors $\times V_{CKM} \times$ Hadronic matrix element

Determinations of $|V_{cb}|$ using lattice QCD

Two kinds of exclusive determination of $|V_{cb}|$ by lattice QCD simulation.

- $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$ decay : 3-point Green function. Lattice simulation at zero recoil is the best target to determine $|V_{cb}|$.
 - The decay rate depends on a single form factor h_{A_1}
 - Discretization error related to $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_Q)$ corrections vanish by Luke's theorem.
- $\bar{B} \rightarrow D \ell \bar{\nu}$ decay : 3-point Green function. Because of the phase-space suppression around zero recoil, precise experimental data is available only at non-zero recoil.

$|V_{cb}|$ from the exclusive decay $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$

1 Experiment:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dw}(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}) = \frac{G_F^2 m_{D^*}^3}{48\pi^3} (m_B - m_{D^*})^2 (w^2 - 1)^{1/2} |\eta_{EW}|^2 |V_{cb}|^2 \chi(w) |\mathcal{F}(w)|^2$$

where $w \equiv v_B \cdot v_{D^*}$, where v_B and v_{D^*} are meson velocities.

2 Lattice QCD: Calculate form factors from the matrix element.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_B m_{D^*}}} \langle D^*(p_{D^*}, \epsilon) | A_\mu | \bar{B}(p_B) \rangle &= -i h_{A_1}(w) (w+1) \epsilon_\mu^* + i h_{A_2}(w) (\epsilon^* \cdot v_B) v_{B\mu} \\ &\quad + i h_{A_3}(w) (\epsilon^* \cdot v_B) v_{D^*\mu}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{m_B m_{D^*}}} \langle D^*(p_D, \epsilon) | V_\mu | \bar{B}(p_B) \rangle = h_V(w) \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \epsilon^{*\nu} v_{D^*}^\alpha v_B^\beta.$$

At zero recoil ($v_B = v_{D^*}$),

$$\mathcal{F}(w=1) \rightarrow h_{A_1}(w=1). \quad (7)$$

Green's function

- 2-point (Euclidean) Green's function : extract meson's energy spectrum

$$\begin{aligned} C_B^{2\text{pt}}(\mathbf{p}) &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \langle O_B(t, \mathbf{x}) O_B^\dagger(0) \rangle = \sum_n |\langle 0 | O_B^\dagger | B_n \rangle|^2 e^{-E_n(\mathbf{p})t} \\ &= |\langle 0 | O_B^\dagger | \bar{B} \rangle|^2 e^{-E_0(\mathbf{p})t} + |\langle 0 | O_B^\dagger | B_1 \rangle|^2 e^{-E_1(\mathbf{p})t} + \dots \quad (8) \end{aligned}$$

$O_B^\dagger$ (meson interpolating operator) : creates B -meson as acting on vacuum.

- 3-point (Euclidean) Green's function : extract hadronic matrix elements

$$\begin{aligned} C_{A_j}^{B \rightarrow D^*}(t_s, t_f) &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_{D^*}(\mathbf{x}, t_f) A_j^{cb}(\mathbf{y}, t_s) O_B^\dagger(\mathbf{0}, 0) \rangle \\ &= \langle 0 | O_{D^*} | D^* \rangle \langle \bar{B} | O_B^\dagger | 0 \rangle \langle D^* | A_j | \bar{B} \rangle e^{-M_B t_s} e^{-M_{D^*}(t_f - t_s)} + \dots \quad (9) \end{aligned}$$

where A_j^{cb} is flavor-changing axial current.

- Do numerical analysis to **extract the ground-state contribution** out of excited-state contamination.

Path integral on lattice

- Calculate Green's functions by performing path integral over discretized Euclidean space-time. For example,

$$\langle O_2(x) O_1(0) \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int \prod dU d\bar{q} dq e^{-S_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{lat}}} O_2(x) O_1(0) \quad (10)$$

The field variable $U_\mu(x)$ is **gauge link**.

- The integral over fermionic Grassmann variables gives fermionic determinant. For example, if $O_2 \equiv \bar{b}\gamma_5 d$ and $O_1 \equiv \bar{d}\gamma_5 b$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle O_2(x) O_1(0) \rangle &= \int \frac{1}{Z} \prod dU e^{-S_g^{\text{lat}}} \bar{b}(x) \gamma_5 d(x) \bar{d}(0) \gamma_5 b(0) \prod_q e^{-\sum_q \bar{q} D_q q} \\ &= -\frac{1}{Z} \int \prod dU e^{-S_g^{\text{lat}}} \prod_q \det[D_q] \text{tr}[\gamma_5 D_d^{-1}(x, 0) \gamma_5 D_b^{-1}(0, x)] \\ &\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{MC}}} w(U_i) (-\text{tr}[\gamma_5 D_d^{-1}(x, 0) \gamma_5 D_b^{-1}(0, x)]) \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

if $\prod_q \det[D_q] \geq 0$, one can use **Monte Carlo simulation** with importance sampling with weight factor $w(U) \propto dU e^{-S_g^{\text{lat}}} \prod_q \det[D_q](U)$.

Lattice QCD

Lattice QCD simulations in three steps.

- **Generate gauge configuration** : make gauge configurations to follow probability density $P(U) \propto w(U)$.
- **Measurements** : calculate Euclidean Green's function.
 - Compute quark propagators : inverse of matrix with $4(\text{spin}) \times 3(\text{color}) \times V(\text{lattice vol})$ rows and columns. (For $V = 48^3 \times 96$ hypercubic lattice, dimension of matrix is over 100 millions.)
 - Calculate correlation functions by contracting quark fields.
- **Extract energy spectrum, hadronic matrix elements, ...**

Sea quark and valence quark

- Fermions in Lagrangian : **sea quark** $\rightarrow$ fermion determinant
- Fermions in the operator : **valence quark** $\rightarrow$ propagator.

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Fermilab action

- The Fermilab action [El-Khadra, Kronfeld, and Mackenzie, PRD55, 3933 (1997)]

$$S_{\text{Fermilab}} \equiv S_0 + S_E + S_B, \quad (13)$$

$$S_0 \equiv a^4 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \left[m_0 + \gamma_4 D_{\text{lat},4} - \frac{a}{2} \Delta_4 + \zeta \left(\gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}} - \frac{r_s a}{2} \Delta^{(3)} \right) \right] \psi(x) \quad (14)$$

$$S_E \equiv -\frac{1}{2} c_E \zeta a^5 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \psi(x), \quad S_B \equiv -\frac{1}{2} c_B \zeta a^5 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) i \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}} \psi(x),$$

$\Delta^{(3)}, \Delta_4$: discretized versions of D^2, D_4^2 .

- b and c quark : $m_Q \simeq 1/a \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ for typical lattice spacing ($0.04\text{fm} < a < 0.12\text{fm}$) in simulations. One can describes the lattice action by the heavy-quark effective theory,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Fermilab}} \doteq \bar{h}(D_4 + m_1)h + \frac{1}{2m_2} \bar{h} \mathbf{D}^2 h + \frac{Z_B}{2m_B} \bar{h} i \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B} h + \dots \quad (15)$$

- The discretization error can be estimated by using power counting parameter $\lambda \simeq a\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \simeq \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/(2m_q)$ and α_s .

Oktag-Kronfeld action

Extend the lattice action from $\mathcal{O}(\lambda)$ (Fermilab action) $\rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$ (OK action).
[Oktag and Kronfeld, PRD78, 014504 (2008)]

- $S_{\text{OK}} \equiv S_0 + S_B + S_E + S_6 + S_7.$

$$\begin{aligned} S_6 \equiv & \textcolor{blue}{c}_1 a^6 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \sum_i \gamma_i D_{\text{lat},i} \Delta_i \psi(x) + \textcolor{blue}{c}_2 a^6 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \{ \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, \Delta^{(3)} \} \psi(x) \\ & + \textcolor{blue}{c}_3 a^6 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \{ \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, i \Sigma \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}} \} \psi(x) \\ & + \textcolor{blue}{c}_{EE} a^6 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \{ \gamma_4 D_{\text{lat},4}, \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \} \psi(x), \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

$$S_7 \equiv a^7 \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \sum_i \left[\textcolor{blue}{c}_4 \Delta_i^2 \psi(x) + \textcolor{blue}{c}_5 \sum_{j \neq i} \{ i \Sigma_i B_{\text{lat},i}, \Delta_j \} \right] \psi(x). \quad (17)$$

- Coefficients c_i are fixed by matching dispersion relation, interaction with background field, and Compton scattering amplitude of on-shell quark through the tree level.

Current improvement

- **Simulation with the Fermilab action** : current improvement through $\mathcal{O}(\lambda)$. Improved currents are constructed by improved quark fields [El-Khadra, Kronfeld, and Mackenzie, PRD55, 3933]

$$V_\mu = \bar{\Psi}_c \gamma_\mu \Psi_b, \quad A_\mu = \bar{\Psi}_c \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \Psi_b, \quad (18)$$

where

$$\Psi_f = e^{m_{1f} a/2} (1 + d_{1f} a \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}) \psi_f, \quad f = b, c \quad (19)$$

And determine d_{1f} by matching conditions.

- **Simulation with the OK action** : current improvement through $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$ is required.

Current improvement

- Tree-level relation between QCD operator and HQET operator is given by Foldy-Wouthouysen-Tani transformation

$$\bar{c}\gamma_\mu b \doteq \bar{h}_c \Gamma h_b - \bar{h}_c \gamma_\mu \frac{\gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}}{2m_b} h_b + \bar{h}_c \frac{\gamma \cdot \overleftarrow{\mathbf{D}}}{2m_c} \gamma_\mu h_b + \dots \quad (20)$$

- Taking FWT transformation through $\mathcal{O}(1/m_q^3)$ as ansatz, we introduced improved quark field [Jaehoon Leem, arXiv:1711.01777],

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x) = & e^{m_1 a/2} \left[1 + d_1 a \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}} + \frac{1}{2} d_2 a^2 \Delta^{(3)} + \frac{1}{2} i d_B a^2 \Sigma \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}} + \frac{1}{2} d_E a^2 \alpha \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \right. \\ & + d_{EE} a^3 \{ \gamma_4 D_{4\text{lat}}, \alpha \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \} + d_{rE} a^3 \{ \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, \alpha \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\text{lat}} \} \\ & + \frac{1}{6} d_3 a^3 \gamma_i D_{\text{lat}i} \Delta_i + \frac{1}{2} d_4 a^3 \{ \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, \Delta^{(3)} \} + d_5 a^3 \{ \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}_{\text{lat}}, i \Sigma \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}} \} \\ & \left. + d_6 a^3 [\gamma_4 D_{4\text{lat}}, \Delta^{(3)}] + d_7 a^3 [\gamma_4 D_{4\text{lat}}, i \Sigma \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{lat}}] \right] \psi(x). \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

- The term with d_3 is necessary to remedy rotational symmetry breaking of lattice quark.

Current improvement

- We calculate four-quark matrix elements for matching.

$$\langle q(\eta_2, \mathbf{p}_2) c(\eta_c, \mathbf{p}_c) | \bar{\Psi}_c \Gamma \Psi_b | b(\eta_b, \mathbf{p}_b) q(\eta_1, \mathbf{p}_1) \rangle_{\text{lat}}, \quad (22)$$

where q represents a light spectator quark.

- The matching condition implies [Jaehoon Leem, arXiv:1711.01777],

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi \doteq & \left[1 - \frac{1}{2m_3} \gamma \cdot \mathbf{D} + \frac{1}{8m_{D_\perp}^2} D^2 + \frac{i}{8m_{sB}^2} \Sigma \cdot \mathbf{B} + \frac{1}{4m_{\alpha E}^2} \alpha \cdot \mathbf{E} \right. \\ & - \frac{\{\gamma_4 D_4, \alpha \cdot \mathbf{E}\}}{8m_{\alpha EE}^3} - \frac{3\{\gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}, D^2\}}{32m_{\gamma DD_\perp}^3} - \frac{3\{\gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}, i\Sigma \cdot \mathbf{B}\}}{32m_5^3} - \frac{\{\gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}, \alpha \cdot \mathbf{E}\}}{16m_{\alpha rE}^3} \\ & \left. + \frac{[\gamma_4 D_4, D^2]}{16m_6^3} + \frac{[\gamma_4 D_4, i\Sigma \cdot \mathbf{B}]}{16m_7^3} + w_1 \sum_i \gamma_i D_i^3 + w_2 [\gamma \cdot \mathbf{D}, D^2] \right] h + \dots, \quad (23) \end{aligned}$$

- The coefficients m_i and w_i : analytic functions of $(m_0 a, r_s, \zeta, c_i)$ and d_i .
- Determine d_i by the conditions that nonphysical terms vanish ($w_i \rightarrow 0$), and all the mass-like terms be identical to the physical mass.

Numerical Simulation

- Sea quarks : Highly-improved-staggered quark (HISQ) action with $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ flavors. [MILC collab., PRD87, 054505 (2013)]

ID	$a(\text{fm})$	Volume	am_l	am_s	am_c	$N_{\text{conf}} \times N_{\text{src}}$
a12m310	0.12	$24^3 \times 64$	0.0102	0.0509	0.635	1053×3
a12m220	0.12	$32^3 \times 64$	0.00507	0.0507	0.628	
a12m130	0.12	$48^3 \times 64$	0.00184	0.0507	0.628	
a09m310	0.09	$32^3 \times 96$	0.0074	0.037	0.440	1001×3
a09m220	0.09	$48^3 \times 96$	0.00363	0.0363	0.430	
a09m130	0.09	$64^3 \times 96$	0.0012	0.0363	0.432	

- Valence quark for (u, d, s) : HISQ action
- Valence quark for b and c : Oktay-Kronfeld action
- Tune the Oktay-Kronfeld action : tune the bare masses of b and c numerically by tuning the energy spectrum of lattice meson.
- Calculate 3-point Green's functions and determine hadronic matrix elements with the tuned action and the improved current.

Numerical Simulation

- We calculate following 3-point Green's functions

$$\begin{aligned}C_{A_j}^{B \rightarrow D^*}(t, \tau) &\equiv \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_{D^*}(0) A_j^{cb}(\mathbf{y}, t) O_B^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \rangle, \\C_{A_j}^{D^* \rightarrow B}(t, \tau) &\equiv \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_B(0) A_j^{bc}(\mathbf{y}, t) O_{D^*}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \rangle, \\C_{V_4}^{B \rightarrow B}(t, \tau) &\equiv \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_B(0) V_4^{bb}(\mathbf{y}, t) O_B^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \rangle, \\C_{V_4}^{D^* \rightarrow D^*}(t, \tau) &\equiv \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle O_{D^*}(0) V_4^{cc}(\mathbf{y}, t) O_{D^*}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

where O_B and O_{D^*} are meson interpolating operators with a HISQ light quark and an Oktay-Kronfeld heavy quark.

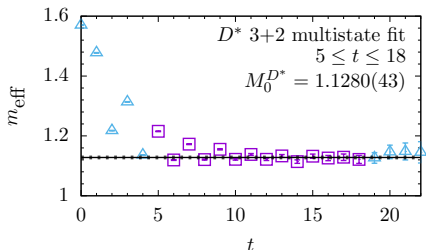
- The currents are given by improved quark fields

$$\begin{aligned}A_j^{cb} &\equiv \bar{\Psi}_c \gamma_5 \gamma_j \Psi_b, \\V_4^{bb} &\equiv \bar{\Psi}_b \gamma_4 \Psi_b. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

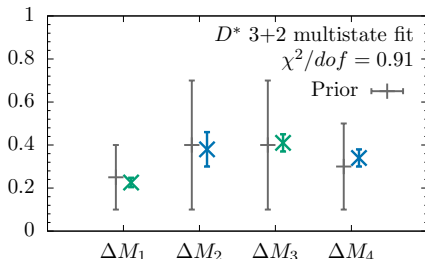
Control excited-state contamination

- Generate zero momentum meson propagators and do the multi-states fitting [Sungwoo Park, et al., Lattice 2018]

$$C_{B(\text{or } D^*)}^{2pt}(t, \mathbf{0}) = |\mathcal{A}_0|^2 e^{-M_0 t} \left(1 + \left| \frac{\mathcal{A}_2}{\mathcal{A}_0} \right|^2 e^{-\Delta M_2 t} + \left| \frac{\mathcal{A}_4}{\mathcal{A}_0} \right|^2 e^{-(\Delta M_2 + \Delta M_4) t} + \dots \right. \\ \left. - (-1)^t \left| \frac{\mathcal{A}_1}{\mathcal{A}_0} \right|^2 e^{-\Delta M_1 t} - (-1)^t \left| \frac{\mathcal{A}_3}{\mathcal{A}_0} \right|^2 e^{-(\Delta M_1 + \Delta M_3) t} + \dots \right) + (t \leftrightarrow T - t)$$



(a) $m_{\text{eff}}(t) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \ln |C^{2pt}(t)/C^{2pt}(t+2)|$. The horizontal line is the ground state mass.



(b) The excited state masses from the 3+2-states fit using empirical Bayesian priors. (PNDME collab., PRD95, 074508 (2017))

Control excited-state contamination

- Fit 3-point function including 2+1 states for $|B_m\rangle$ and $|D_n^*\rangle$ with $n, m = 0, 1, 2$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{A_j}^{B \rightarrow D^*}(t_s, \tau) = & \mathcal{A}_0^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_0^B \langle D_0^* | A_j^{cb} | B_0 \rangle e^{-M_{B_0}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_0^*} t_s} \\
 & - \mathcal{A}_0^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_1^B \langle D_0^* | A_j^{cb} | B_1 \rangle (-1)^{(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{B_1}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_0^*} t_s} \\
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 & + \mathcal{A}_1^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_1^B \langle D_1^* | A_j^{cb} | B_1 \rangle (-1)^\tau e^{-M_{B_1}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_1^*} t_s} \\
 & + \mathcal{A}_2^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_0^B \langle D_2^* | A_j^{cb} | B_0 \rangle e^{-M_{B_0}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_2^*} t_s} \\
 & + \mathcal{A}_0^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_2^B \langle D_0^* | A_j^{cb} | B_2 \rangle e^{-M_{B_2}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_0^*} t_s} \\
 & - \mathcal{A}_2^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_1^B \langle D_2^* | A_j^{cb} | B_1 \rangle (-1)^{\tau-t_s} e^{-M_{B_1}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_2^*} t_s} \\
 & - \mathcal{A}_1^{D^*} \mathcal{A}_2^B \langle D_1^* | A_j^{cb} | B_2 \rangle (-1)^t e^{-M_{B_2}(\tau-t_s)} e^{-M_{D_1^*} t_s} \\
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 \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

- In the fitting, the 2pt amplitudes $\mathcal{A}$ and masses M are constant fixed from the 2-point function analysis.

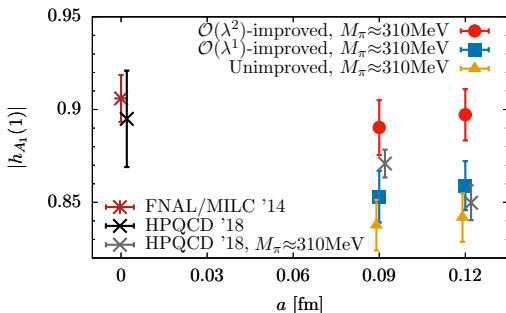
Preliminary results for $h_{A_1}(1)$

- The zero recoil form factor $h_{A_1}(1)$ can be determined by

$$\frac{\langle D^* | A_{cb}^j | \bar{B} \rangle \langle \bar{B} | A_{bc}^j | D^* \rangle}{\langle D^* | V_{cc}^4 | D^* \rangle \langle \bar{B} | V_{bb}^4 | \bar{B} \rangle} = \left| \frac{h_{A_1}(1)}{\rho_{A_j}} \right|^2 \quad (27)$$

where $\rho_{A_j}^2 = \frac{Z_{A_{cb}^j} Z_{A_{bc}^j}}{Z_{V_{cc}^4} Z_{V_{bb}^4}} = 1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ is very close to 1.

- Setting $\rho_{A_j}^2 = 1$ [Sungwoo Park, et al., Lattice 2018]



Summary

- We are calculating $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$ semileptonic decay form factor at zero recoil using the Oktay-Kronfeld action for b and c quarks.
- We improved the lattice current through $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$ in the same level as the Oktay-Kronfeld action. (Numerical analysis with the $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$ terms in the current are under progress.)
- We controlled the excited-state contamination by multi-state fitting.
- The preliminary results with the improved current through $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$ is consistent with the results from FNAL/MILC and HPQCD.
- Our next targets are
 - Continuum-chiral extrapolation.
 - Calculate renormalization factor ρ_{A_j} .
 - Non-zero recoil study. ($\bar{B} \rightarrow D$ and $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^*$)
 - Calculate beyond the standard model contributions from scalar or tensor type currents.