

A predictive effective field theory: Heavy Quark Effective Theory on the lattice

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An EFT:

non-perturbative in

α_s

order by order in

$\frac{\text{energy}}{M_b}$

The expansion parameter

- ▶ Typical QCD scale in bound states

$$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = [0.5 \text{ fm}]^{-1} = 400 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{M_b} \approx \frac{1}{10}$$

- ▶ Expect a good asymptotic convergence
- ▶ Applicable for small external momenta (in the rest frame of the B-hadron)

$$\frac{|\mathbf{p}|}{M_b} \ll 1$$

HQET Lagrangian

[Eichten & Hill; Isgur & Wise; Georgi]

In the rest frame of a b-hadron (“velocity zero”)

$$\bar{\psi}_b \{ D_\mu \gamma_\mu + m_b \} \psi_b$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\mathcal{L}_h^{\text{stat}} - \frac{1}{2m_b} (\mathcal{O}_{\text{kin}} + \mathcal{O}_{\text{spin}}) + \mathcal{L}_{\text{anti-quark}}$$

$$E^{\text{QCD}} = E^{\text{HQET}} + m_b$$

$$\mathcal{L}_h^{\text{stat}} = \bar{\psi}_h D_0 \psi_h, \quad P_+ \psi_h = \psi_h, \quad \bar{\psi}_h P_+ = \bar{\psi}_h, \quad P_\pm = \frac{1 \pm \gamma_0}{2}$$

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Uncertainties are probably too large $\rightarrow$ precision physics.

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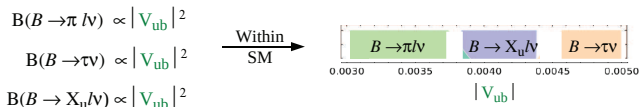
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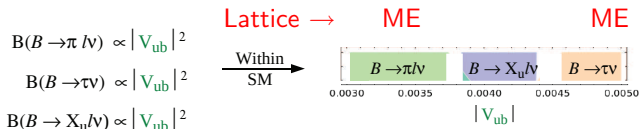
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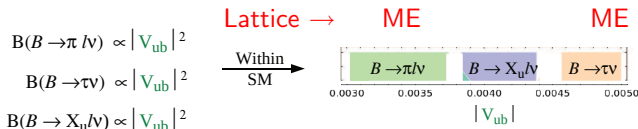
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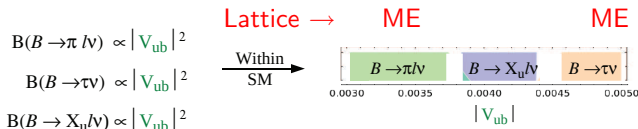
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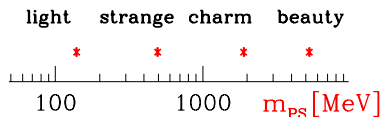
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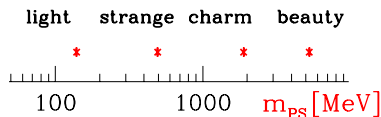
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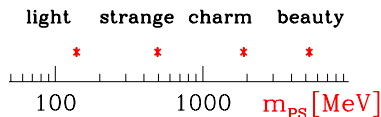


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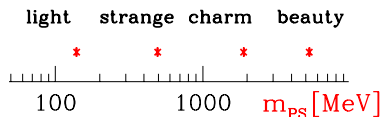
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beauty not accommodated: need HQET, Λ_{QCD}/m_b expansion

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The weight is expanded because of renormalizability

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also local fields in correlation functions need to be expanded:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{QCD}} = A_0(x) A_0^\dagger(0)$$

$$A_0(x) \rightarrow A_0^{\text{HQET}}(x) = Z_A^{\text{HQET}} [A_0^{\text{stat}}(x) + \sum_{i=1}^2 c_A^{(i)} A_0^{(i)}(x)]$$

$$c_A^{(i)} = \mathcal{O}(1/m), \quad [A_0^{(i)}(x)] = 4$$

$$A_0^{(1)}(x) = \bar{\psi}_1(x) \frac{1}{2} \gamma_5 \gamma_i (D_i - \overleftarrow{D}_i) \psi_h(x)$$

$$A_0^{(2)}(x) = -\partial_i A_i^{\text{stat}},$$

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Example

$$C_{AA,R}^{\text{QCD}}(x_0) = Z_A^2 a^3 \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \langle A_0(x) A_0^\dagger(0) \rangle_{\text{QCD}}$$

its HQET expansion (with **energy shift**)

$$C_{AA}^{\text{QCD}}(x_0) = e^{-m x_0} (Z_A^{\text{HQET}})^2 \left[C_{AA}^{\text{stat}}(x_0) + c_A^{(1)} C_{\delta AA}^{\text{stat}}(x_0) + \omega_{\text{kin}} C_{AA}^{\text{kin}}(x_0) + \omega_{\text{spin}} C_{AA}^{\text{spin}}(x_0) \right]$$

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Expansion of energies...

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_B &= - \lim_{x_0 \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{\partial}_0 \ln C_{AA}^{\text{QCD}}(x_0) = \dots \\
 &= m_{\text{bare}} + E^{\text{stat}} + \omega_{\text{kin}} E^{\text{kin}} + \omega_{\text{spin}} E^{\text{spin}},
 \end{aligned}$$

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... and matrix elements

$$\mathcal{A}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu) \propto \langle 0 | A_{\mu}^{\dagger}(0) | B \rangle \propto$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_B \sqrt{m_B} &= \lim_{x_0 \rightarrow \infty} \{ 2 \exp(m_B x_0) C_{AA}^{\text{QCD}}(x_0) \}^{1/2} \\ &= Z_A^{\text{HQET}} \Phi^{\text{stat}} \lim_{x_0 \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{2} x_0 [\omega_{\text{kin}} E^{\text{kin}} + \omega_{\text{spin}} E^{\text{spin}}] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} c_A^{(1)} R_{\delta A}^{\text{stat}}(x_0) + \frac{1}{2} \omega_{\text{kin}} \frac{C_{AA}^{\text{kin}}(x_0)}{C_{AA}^{\text{stat}}(x_0)} + \frac{1}{2} \omega_{\text{spin}} \frac{C_{AA}^{\text{spin}}(x_0)}{C_{AA}^{\text{stat}}(x_0)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi^{\text{stat}} = \lim_{x_0 \rightarrow \infty} \{ 2 \exp(E^{\text{stat}} x_0) C_{AA}^{\text{stat}}(x_0) \}^{1/2} = \langle B | A_0^{\text{stat}}(0) | 0 \rangle$$

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► Parameters in the effective theory

$$(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_5) = (m_{\text{bare}} = m + \delta m, \ln(Z_A^{\text{HQET}}), c_A^{(1)}, \omega_{\text{kin}}, \omega_{\text{spin}})$$

$$\omega_i = \omega_i(g_0, aM_b)$$

bare

parameters

 g_0 : bare QCD coupling M_b : RGI b-quark mass

(other quark masses not written)

► Renormalization

keep M_b fixed change $g_0 \rightarrow 0$ (i.e. $a \rightarrow 0$):

all divergences (logarithmic and power) absorbed in ω_i

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- ▶ from experiments
 $\Rightarrow$ loose predictivity
- ▶ from non-perturbative QCD:

Matching

$$\Phi_i^{\text{HQET}}(\{\omega_i(g_0, aM_b)\}) = \Phi_i^{\text{QCD}}(M_b)$$

keep full predictivity if this can be achieved

Issues in a non-perturbative treatment

- ▶ power divergences

$$\frac{g_0^{2L}}{a^n} \sim \frac{1}{\log(a\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) a^n}$$

need NP subtraction

$$n = 1, 2$$

e.g.

$$(\mathcal{O}_{\text{kin}})_R(z) = Z_{\mathcal{O}_{\text{kin}}} (\mathcal{O}_{\text{kin}}(z) + \frac{c_1}{a} \bar{\psi}_h(z) D_0 \psi_h(z) + \frac{c_2(g_0)}{a^2} \bar{\psi}_h(z) \psi_h(z))$$

- ▶ power corrections

$$(\alpha(m))^L \stackrel{m \rightarrow \infty}{\gg} \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{m}$$

need NP leading terms
to define power corrections

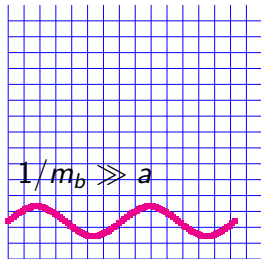
It is in general not enough to compute Wilson coefficients in perturbation theory

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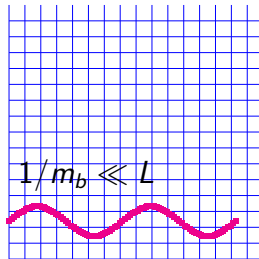


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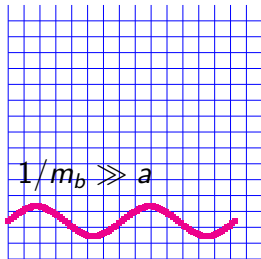


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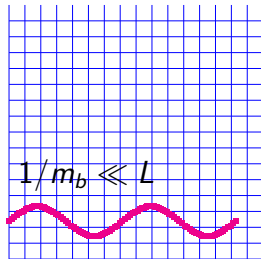


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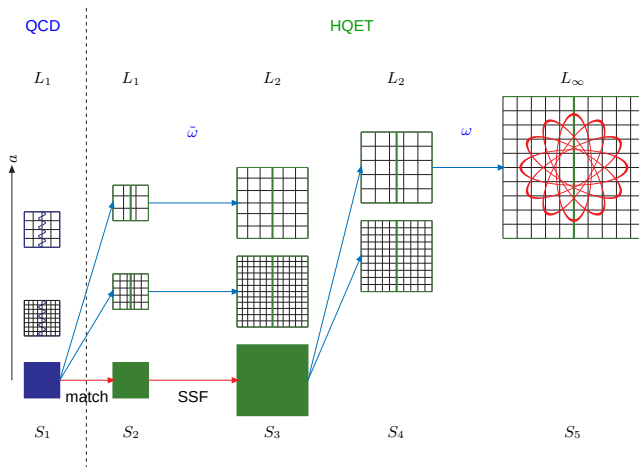
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- HQET-parameters from QCD-observables in small volume
 – at small lattice spacing $L^{-1} \ll m_b \ll a^{-1}$
 power divergences subtracted non-perturbatively

The HQET strategy: first view

[Heitger, S., 2001]

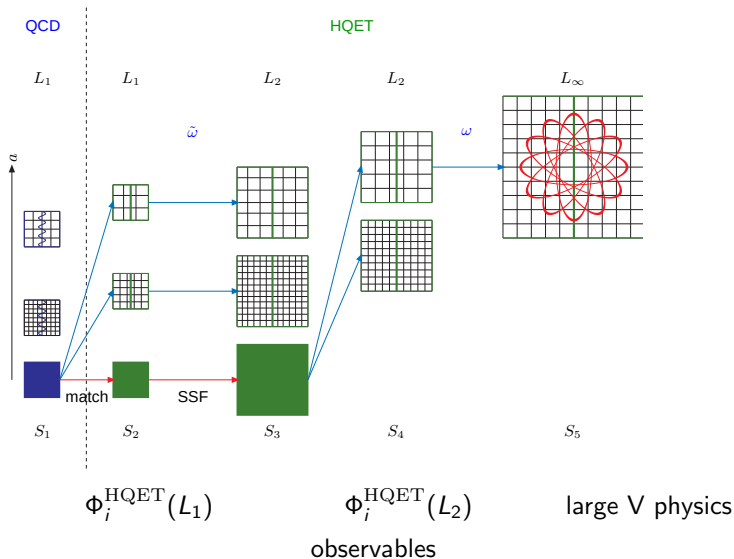


$\omega_k(a_1)$
 $a_1 = 0.025 \dots 0.05 \text{ fm}$

$\omega_k(a_2)$ coefficients in effective Lagrangian
 $a_2 = 0.05 \dots 0.1 \text{ fm}$

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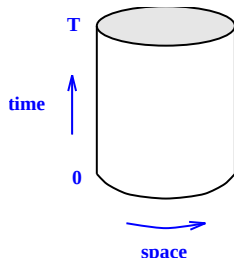


Schrödinger functional toolbox for finite volume

$T \times L^3$, Euclidean

Dirichlet boundary conditions in time

[Lüscher, Narayanan, Weisz, Wolff, 92; Sint, 93; **ALPHA** Collaboration, 92-...]



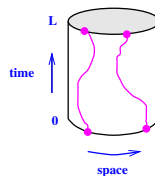
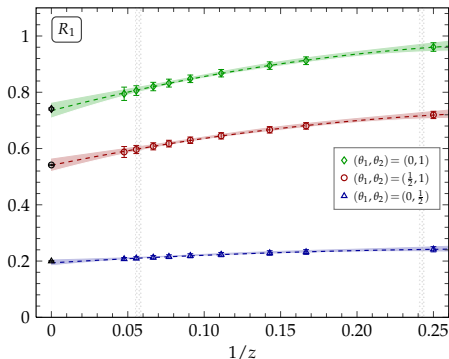
- ▶ no zero-modes
- ▶ boundary fields for gauge invariant quark correlation functions
- ▶ running coupling ...

Tests of HQET [Heitger, Jüttner, S., Wennekers, 2004; Fritzsche & Heitger, 2010]

Example: SF boundary-to-boundary correlators

$N_f = 2$ dynamical fermions

$$R_1 = \frac{1}{4} \left(\ln \left(\frac{f_1(\theta_1) k_1(\theta_1)^3}{f_1(\theta_2) k_1(\theta_2)^3} \right) \right)$$



$$z = LM$$

$$L \approx 0.5 \text{ fm}$$

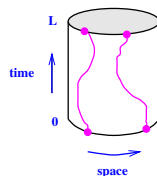
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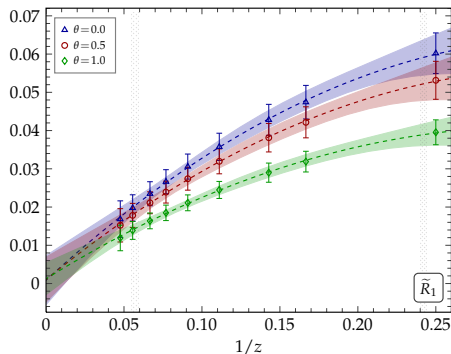
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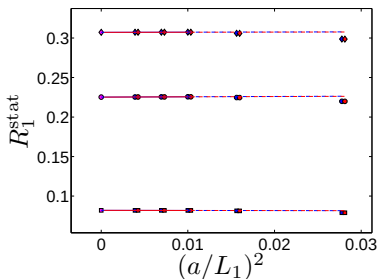
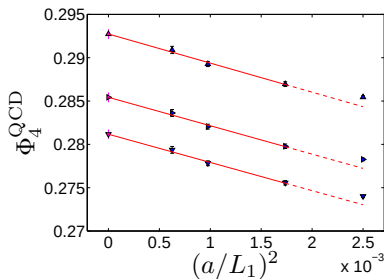
spin symmetry violating



Tests of HQET: the continuum limit

$L_1 = 0.5\text{fm}$: $a = 0.012 \dots 0.025\text{fm}$:

b-quark can be simulated, continuum limit can be taken



$$\Phi_4 = \mathcal{O}(1) = R_1^{\text{stat}} + \omega_{\text{kin}} \Phi_4^{(1/m)}$$

three different z

three different θ

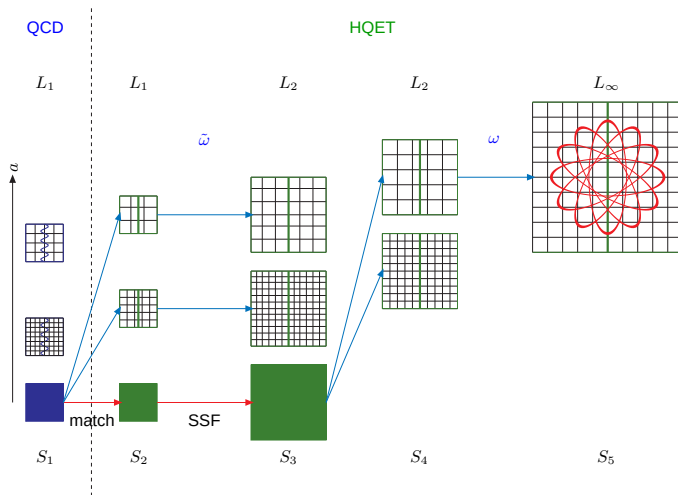
(show $N_f = 0$ graphs)

Tests of HQET: conclusion

- ▶ HQET confirmed non-perturbatively
- ▶ SF correlation functions can be used for matching

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Full strategy to determine $\omega(M_b, a)$, $a = 0.05\text{fm} \dots 0.1\text{fm}$



(in the realistic implementation finer resolutions are used)

Non-perturbative determination of parameters [,2001 - 2010]

static parameters

$$\omega^{\text{stat}} = (m_{\text{bare}}^{\text{stat}}, [\ln(Z_A)]^{\text{stat}})^t, \quad N_{\text{HQET}} = 2$$

parameters at first order

$$\begin{aligned} \omega^{\text{HQET}} &= (m_{\text{bare}}, \ln(Z_A^{\text{HQET}}), c_A^{(1)}, \omega_{\text{kin}}, \omega_{\text{spin}})^t \quad N_{\text{HQET}} = 5 \\ \omega^{(1/m)} &= \omega^{\text{HQET}} - \omega^{\text{stat}} \end{aligned}$$

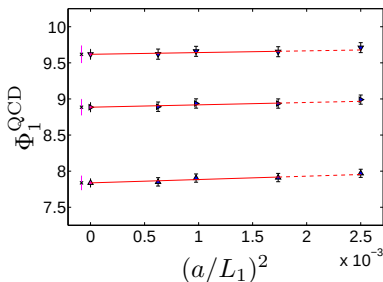
matching: $L_1 \approx 0.5 \text{ fm}$ (low energy scale)

$$\Phi_i(L_1, M, a) = \Phi_i^{\text{QCD}}(L_1, M, 0), \quad i = 1 \dots N_{\text{HQET}}.$$

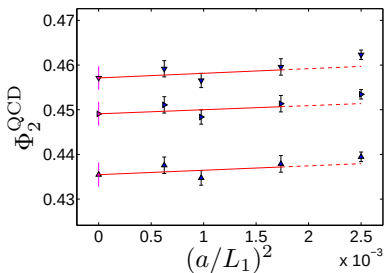
Non-perturbative determination of parameters [,2001 - 2010]

$L_1 = 0.5\text{fm}$: $a = 0.012 \dots 0.025\text{fm}$:

b-quark can be simulated, continuum limit can be taken



$$\Phi_1 = L_1 m_B(L_1) = O(z)$$



$$\Phi_2 = \ln(L_1^{3/2} [F_B \sqrt{m_B}](L_1)) = O(z^0)$$

three different z

Non-perturbative determination of parameters [,2001 - 2010]

HQET expansion of Φ_1, Φ_2

$$\Phi_1 = L_1 m_B(L_1) = L[\textcolor{violet}{m}_{\text{bare}} + \Gamma^{\text{stat}}] + \mathcal{O}(1/m_b)$$

$$\Phi_2 = \ln(L_1^{3/2} [F_B \sqrt{m_B}](L_1) = \ln(\textcolor{violet}{Z}_A^{\text{stat}}) + \zeta_A + \mathcal{O}(1/m_b)$$

in general

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(L, M, a) &= \eta(L, a) + \phi(L, a) \textcolor{violet}{\omega}(M, a) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma^{\text{stat}} \\ \zeta_A \\ \dots \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} L & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 1 & \dots \\ \dots & & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \textcolor{violet}{\omega}_1 \\ \textcolor{violet}{\omega}_2 \\ \dots \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Examples of results: M_b [Blossier, Della Morte, Garron, Mendes, Papinutto, Simma, S.]

static approximation

$$m_B = \omega_1 + E^{\text{stat}} = m_{\text{bare}} + E^{\text{stat}}$$

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} [E^{\text{stat}} - \Gamma^{\text{stat}}(L_2, a)]$$

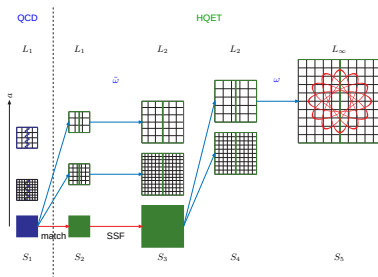
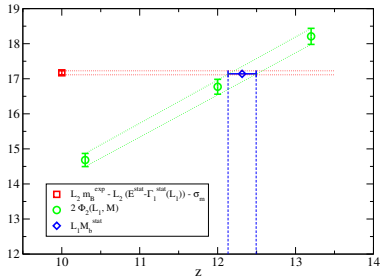
$$+ \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} [\Gamma^{\text{stat}}(L_2, a) - \Gamma^{\text{stat}}(L_1, a)]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{L_1} \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \Phi_1(L_1, M_b, a)$$

$$a = 0.1 \text{ fm} \dots 0.05 \text{ fm} \quad [S_4, S_5]$$

$$a = 0.05 \text{ fm} \dots 0.025 \text{ fm} \quad [S_2, S_3]$$

$$a = 0.025 \text{ fm} \dots 0.012 \text{ fm} \quad [S_1]$$



Examples of results: M_b

	LO (static)	NLO (static + $O(1/m)$)		
		$(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (0, 0.5)$	$(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (0.5, 1)$	$(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (0, 1)$
$\theta_0 = 0$	17.1 ± 0.2	17.1 ± 0.2	17.1 ± 0.2	17.1 ± 0.2
$\theta_0 = 0.5$	17.2 ± 0.2	17.2 ± 0.2	17.2 ± 0.2	17.1 ± 0.2
$\theta_0 = 1$	17.2 ± 0.2	17.3 ± 0.3	17.3 ± 0.3	17.3 ± 0.3

Table: Dimensionless b-quark mass, $r_0 M_b$, obtained from the B_s meson mass, for different values of θ_i .

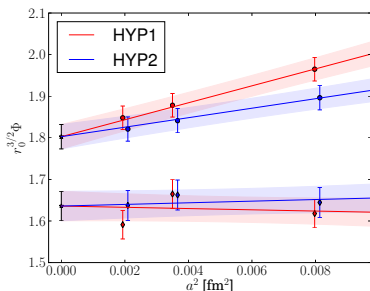
- ▶ small $1/m_b$ corrections
- ▶ weak dependence on matching conditions

Examples of results: quenched $F_{B_s} \sqrt{m_{B_s}}$

[Blossier, Della Morte, von Hippel, Garron, Mendes, Simma, S]

$$F_{B_s} \sqrt{m_{B_s}} = \underbrace{C_{PS}(M_b/\Lambda)}_{\uparrow} \underbrace{\Phi_{RGI}}_{\text{number}} (1 + O(1/m_b))$$

$$M_b \xrightarrow{\sim \infty} [\log M_b/\Lambda]^{\gamma_0/2b_0} \text{ from } Z_A^{\text{HQET}}$$



Φ_{RGI} (static limit)

with $1/m_b$:

$$\Phi^{\text{HQET}} = \frac{F_{B_s} \sqrt{m_{B_s}}}{C_{PS}^{3\text{-loop}}}$$

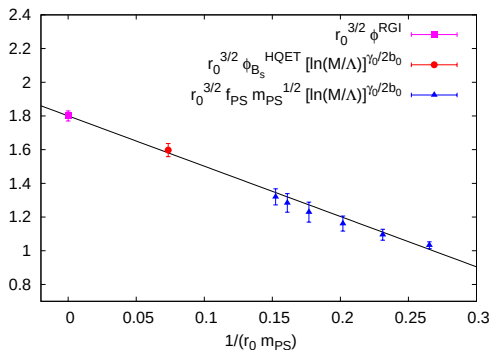
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$\theta_0 = 0$	233 ± 6	220 ± 9	218 ± 9	218 ± 9
$\theta_0 = 0.5$	229 ± 7	221 ± 9	219 ± 8	219 ± 9
$\theta_0 = 1$	219 ± 6	223 ± 9	221 ± 8	222 ± 8

Table: Pseudo-scalar heavy-light decay constant f_{B_s} in MeV, for different values of θ_i .

- ▶ small $1/m_b$ corrections
- ▶ weak dependence on matching conditions

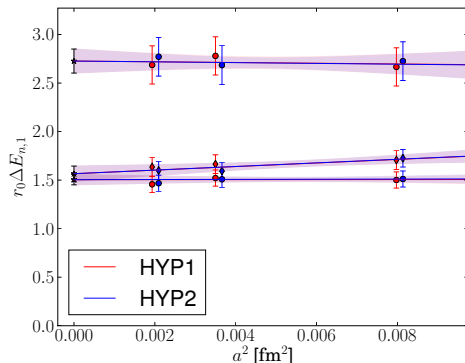
Comparison to relativistic (not so) heavy quarks



Surprisingly consistent picture down to mass of charm

Calls for a direct evaluation also at m_{charm}

Examples of results: quenched level splittings



3s – 1s splitting static

2s – 1s splitting static +
 $1/m_b$

2s – 1s splitting static

Static results for splittings are in agreement with [T. Burch et al.]

Also ratio of ground state / excited state decay constant

Concluding remarks

- ▶ HQET as an effective theory confirmed non-perturbatively after taking numerically the continuum limit
- ▶ The continuum limit exists (numerically)
non-perturbative renormalizability
of course numerical results are no rig. proof
- ▶ First results for $N_f = 2$ were shown at Lattice 2010
[Blossier, Bulava, Della Morte, Donnellan, Fritzsche, Garron, Heitger, Mendes, Simma, S.]
We are at the beginning of phenomenological applications ...
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More general remarks on QFT on the lattice

Lattice: excellent tool for NP field theory, even EFT

QCD: difficult
many scales
the couplings are strong and weak

tricks: a number of field theoretic + algorithmic tricks have been developed

V: **finite volume as a tool** plays an important role

SUSY: finite volume may play an important role

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ YM: **conformal!**

finite volume effects are unavoidable

AdS/CFT: finite volume could play an important role in checking it

