# Decay Constants and SU(3) Symmetry Breaking in *B*-mesons with Quenched Relativistic *b*-quarks

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#### Why B-mesons?

- B-meson decays provide access to multiple CKM matrix elements
- The CKM matrix governs quark mixing and CP violations
- Deviations from unitarity indicate BSM physics.
- Evaluate CKM matrix elements by combining experimental results with lattice calculations.

$$\label{eq:From B0-B0-bound} \ensuremath{\mathsf{From B0-B0}}\xspace{-1.5mu} \ensuremath{\mathsf{B0}}\xspace{-1.5mu} \e$$

#### Why B-mesons?

- Semi-leptonic decays of B-mesons are used to calculate elements  $|V_{qb}|$ .
- Discrepancy between |V<sub>ub</sub>| calculated from inclusive and exclusive decay channels, greater understanding of SM QCD flavour-changing processes required to reduce error size or search for new physics.



#### Why B-mesons?



- Oscillations between  $B^0$  and  $\overline{B^0}$  used to calculate elements  $|V_{tq}|$
- Calculation requires input from experiment and from lattice QCD.

$$\Delta M_q = \frac{G_F^2 m_w^2}{6\pi^2} \eta_B S_0 M_{B_q} f_{B_q}^2 B_{B_q} V_{tq}^* V_{tb} |^2$$

## Outline

- Measuring B-mesons on the lattice:
  - Selecting light quarks
  - Simulating b-quarks and tuning B mesons
- Symmetry breaking of the decay constant f<sub>B</sub>
- Upcoming work

# Selecting light quarks



- QCDSF collaboration
  2+1 flavour formalism
- Focus on symmetry breaking with constant average mass

 $\overline{m} = m_u + m_d + m_s$ 

Select m to match the physical value of m

#### *b*-quarks on the lattice

- b-quarks are heavy and "fall through" the lattice without modification.
- Use an anisotropic, clover-improved action and then tune free parameters to physical quantities

Aoki, Y et al (2012). "Nonperturbative tuning of an improved relativistic heavy-quark action with application to bottom spectroscopy." *Physical Review D*, *86*(11), 116003. doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.86.116003



- 1. For every light quark, generate one "central" *b*-quark and six other *b*-quarks by varying our three free parameters.
- 2. Calculate a "flavour singlet" B meson,  $B_X = (2/3) B_l + (1/3) B_s$ for each of our seven *b*-quarks.
- 3. Compare the calculated  $B_{\chi}$  mesons to the physical  $B_{\chi}$  meson to tune the free parameters.













#### Decay constant f<sub>Ba</sub>

 $\Delta M_q = \frac{G_F^2 m_w^2}{6\pi^2} \eta_B S_0 M_{B_q} f_{B_q}^2 B_{B_q} |V_{tq}^* V_{tb}|^2$ 



 Calculate f<sub>B</sub> for each B meson, and use the tuning to interpolate the "best" B-meson and thus "best" f<sub>B</sub>

# Decay constant f<sub>Bq</sub>: SU(3) breaking





• Compare  $f_{Bl}$  and  $f_{Bs}$  to  $f_{Bx}$  to cancel out some sources of error.

#### What's next from here?

#### Symmetry breaking of f<sub>B</sub> and f<sub>Bs</sub>

 Continued investigation of f<sub>B</sub> using multiple lattice spacings and lattice volumes to quantify systematic errors and discretisation effects.

#### Upcoming work: form factors

- Calculation of form factors for the B-meson
- Calculation of semi-leptonic weak decay of the B-meson to assist with  $|V_{bq}|$  at Belle II.

## Summary

- Lattice calculations of B-meson decays lead to CKM matrix elements and possible BSM physics.
- We generate B-mesons with
  - light and strange quarks chosen to have a constant average mass matching the physical mass
  - b-quarks tuned to match physical B-meson properties
- We presented early results for f<sub>B</sub> and f<sub>Bs</sub>, with a full study of systematic error upcoming.

#### 2013 World Averages for f<sub>B</sub>



Nf = 2+1: fB = (190.5±4.2) MeV, fBs = (227.7±4.5) MeV



Nf = 2+1: fBs/fB =  $1.202 \pm 0.022$