

NNLO QCD CORRECTIONS TO THE B-MESON MIXING

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1 Flavor physics and the precision frontier

2 B-meson mixing

- Theory
- Calculation
- Phenomenology

3 Summary and Outlook

- No new physics in sight at the high-energy frontier
- Growing importance of the precision frontier
- Flavor physics: increasing number of anomalies (LFU violation, muon $g - 2$, ...) that challenge the validity of the SM
- New physics hiding around the corner?
- However: Working at the precision frontier is impossible without precision physics
- Precision physics implies precise measurements and precise theoretical predictions
- Theory and experiment must go hand in hand trying to decrease existing uncertainties in SM predictions



- Neutral meson mixing in the SM : Loop-induced FCNC process.

- $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillations

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} |B_s^0(t)\rangle \\ |\bar{B}_s^0(t)\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \left(\hat{M} - \frac{i}{2} \hat{\Gamma} \right) \begin{pmatrix} |B_s^0(t)\rangle \\ |\bar{B}_s^0(t)\rangle \end{pmatrix},$$

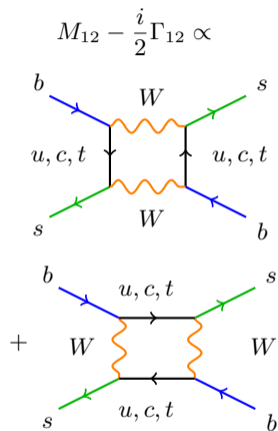
$$\hat{M} = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} \\ M_{12}^* & M_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\Gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{11} & \Gamma_{12} \\ \Gamma_{12}^* & \Gamma_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Diagonalize the matrices

$$|B_{s,L}\rangle = p |B_s^0\rangle + q |\bar{B}_s^0\rangle$$

$$|B_{s,H}\rangle = p |B_s^0\rangle - q |\bar{B}_s^0\rangle$$

- Mass eigenstates: $|B_{s,L}\rangle$ (lighter) and $|B_{s,H}\rangle$ (heavier)
- Flavor eigenstates: $|B_s^0\rangle$ and $|\bar{B}_s^0\rangle$



- Physical observables depend on: $|M_{12}|, |\Gamma_{12}|, \phi_s$
- ΔM_s : $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillation frequency

$$\Delta M_s = M_H - M_L \approx 2|M_{12}|$$

t quark is dominant in SM, sensitivity to NP in the loops

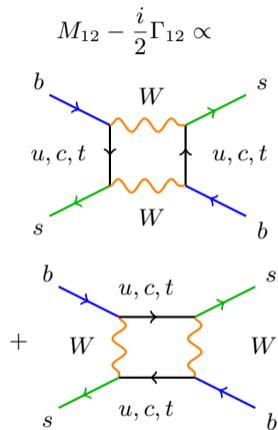
- $\Delta\Gamma_s$: $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ width difference

$$\Delta\Gamma_s = \Gamma_L - \Gamma_H \approx 2|\Gamma_{12}| \cos \phi_s$$

only u and c contribute, precision probe of SM, little room for NP

- ϕ_s : CP-asymmetry in the mixing

$$a_{\text{fs}} = \text{Im} \left(\frac{\Gamma_{12}}{M_{12}} \right) = \left| \frac{\Gamma_{12}}{M_{12}} \right| \sin \phi_s$$



- Our interest: $\Delta\Gamma_s$ from $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$
- Experimental value (HFLAV 2020 average)

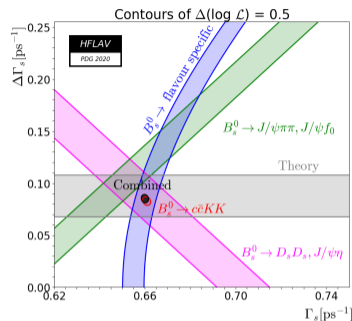
$$\Delta\Gamma^{\text{exp}} = (0.085 \pm 0.004) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

- Theory prediction (NLO + n_f -piece of NNLO QCD corrections)
[Beneke et al., 1999; Ciuchini et al., 2002, 2003; Lenz & Nierste, 2007; Asatrian et al., 2020, 2017]

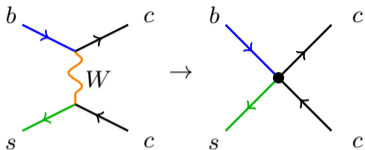
$$\Delta\Gamma_{\text{OS}} = (0.077 \pm 0.015_{\text{pert.}} \pm 0.002_{B, \bar{B}_S} \pm 0.017_{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_b}) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta\Gamma_{\overline{\text{MS}}} = (0.088 \pm 0.011_{\text{pert.}} \pm 0.002_{B, \bar{B}_S} \pm 0.014_{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_b}) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

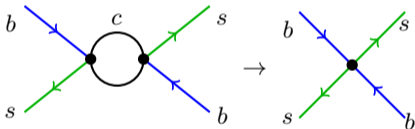
- Large perturbative uncertainty from the uncalculated NNLO corrections [pert.]
- Theory under pressure, full NNLO corrections highly desirable



$|\Delta B| = 1$ effective theory ($m_b \ll m_W, m_t$)



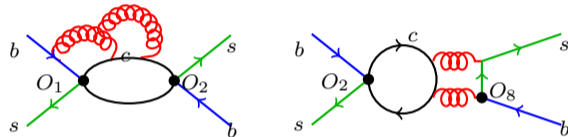
$|\Delta B| = 2$ effective theory (via HQE)



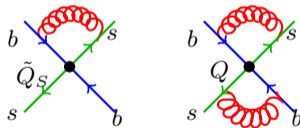
$$\Gamma_{12} \sim \frac{1}{m_b^3} \sum_i \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^j \Gamma_3^{(i)} + \frac{1}{m_b^4} \sum_i \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^j \Gamma_4^{(i)} + \dots$$

- 2-loop $O_{1-2} \times O_{3-6}$ available: $\Delta\Gamma_s^{p,12 \times 36, \alpha_s} / \Delta\Gamma_s = 1.4\%(\overline{\text{MS}})$ [Gerlach, Nierste, VS, Steinhauser, 2021]
- All relevant 2-loop and 3-loop correlators already computed, two more publications in preparation

- Calculation done using $\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{|\Delta B|=1}$ in the CMM operator basis for $b \rightarrow sc\bar{c}$ [Chetyrkin et al., 1998]
- Representative diagrams in the $|\Delta B| = 1$ EFT needed for the NNLO accuracy



matched to the $|\Delta B| = 2$ EFT



$|\Delta B| = 1$ effective Hamiltonian in the CMM basis for $b \rightarrow sc\bar{c}$ decays [Chetyrkin et al., 1998]

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{|\Delta B|=1} = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left[-V_{ts}^* V_{tb}^\dagger \left(\sum_{i=1}^6 C_i Q_i + C_8 Q_8 \right) - V_{us}^* V_{ub}^\dagger \sum_{i=1}^2 C_i (Q_i - Q_i^u) \right. \\ \left. + V_{us}^* V_{cb} \sum_{i=1}^2 C_i Q_i^{cu} + V_{cs}^* V_{ub} \sum_{i=1}^2 C_i Q_i^{uc} \right] + \text{h.c.},$$

• Current operators

$$\begin{aligned} Q_1 &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu T^a c_L \bar{c}_L \gamma^\mu T^a b_L, \\ Q_2 &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu c_L \bar{c}_L \gamma^\mu b_L, \\ Q_1^u &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu T^a u_L \bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu T^a b_L, \\ Q_2^u &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu u_L \bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu b_L, \\ Q_1^{cu} &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu T^a u_L \bar{c}_L \gamma^\mu T^a b_L, \\ Q_2^{cu} &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu u_L \bar{c}_L \gamma^\mu b_L, \\ Q_1^{uc} &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu T^a c_L \bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu T^a b_L, \\ Q_2^{uc} &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu c_L \bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu b_L, \end{aligned}$$

• Penguin operators

$$\begin{aligned} Q_3 &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu b_L \sum_q \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q, \\ Q_4 &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu T^a b_L \sum_q \bar{q} \gamma^\mu T^a q, \\ Q_5 &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_{\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} \gamma_{\mu_3} b_L \sum_q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu_1} \gamma^{\mu_2} \gamma^{\mu_3} q, \\ Q_6 &= \bar{s}_L \gamma_{\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} \gamma_{\mu_3} T^a b_L \sum_q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu_1} \gamma^{\mu_2} \gamma^{\mu_3} T^a q, \\ Q_8 &= \frac{g_s}{16\pi^2} m_b \bar{s}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^a b_R G_{\mu\nu}^a, \end{aligned}$$

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- 4-fermion vertices generate Dirac structures with multiple insertions of γ matrices

$$(P_L)_{ij} \times (P_L)_{kl}, \quad (\gamma^\mu P_L)_{ij} \times (\gamma_\mu P_L)_{kl}, \quad (\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu P_L)_{ij} \times (\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu P_L)_{kl}, \\ (\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\rho P_L)_{ij} \times (\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu \gamma_\rho P_L)_{kl}, \quad (\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\rho \gamma^\sigma P_L)_{ij} \times (\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu \gamma_\rho \gamma_\sigma P_L)_{kl}, \\ (\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\rho \gamma^\sigma \gamma^\tau P_L)_{ij} \times (\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu \gamma_\rho \gamma_\sigma \gamma_\tau P_L)_{kl}, \dots$$

- 4-dimensions: Products of γ matrices reducible via the Chisholm identity

$$\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\rho = g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\rho + g^{\nu\rho} \gamma^\mu - g^{\mu\rho} \gamma^\nu + i\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \gamma_\sigma \gamma^5$$

- In d -dimensions such a reduction is not possible (unambiguously).
- Proper treatment using evanescent operators [Dugan & Grinstein, 1991; Herrlich & Nierste, 1995]

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• $|\Delta B| = 1$ LO evanescent operators

$$E_1^{(1)} = \bar{s}_L \gamma^{\mu_1} \gamma^{\mu_2} \gamma^{\mu_3} T^a c_L \bar{c}_L \gamma_{\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} \gamma_{\mu_3} T^a b_L - 16Q_1,$$

$$E_2^{(1)} = \bar{s}_L \gamma^{\mu_1} \gamma^{\mu_2} \gamma^{\mu_3} c_L \bar{c}_L \gamma_{\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} \gamma_{\mu_3} b_L - 16Q_2,$$

$$E_3^{(1)} = \bar{s}_L \gamma^{\mu_1} \gamma^{\mu_2} \gamma^{\mu_3} \gamma^{\mu_4} \gamma^{\mu_5} b_L \sum_q \bar{q} \gamma_{\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} \gamma_{\mu_3} \gamma_{\mu_4} \gamma_{\mu_5} q - 20Q_5 + 64Q_3,$$

$$E_4^{(1)} = \bar{s}_L \gamma^{\mu_1} \gamma^{\mu_2} \gamma^{\mu_3} \gamma^{\mu_4} \gamma^{\mu_5} T^a b_L \sum_q \bar{q} \gamma_{\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} \gamma_{\mu_3} \gamma_{\mu_4} \gamma_{\mu_5} T^a q - 20Q_6 + 64Q_4$$

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• $|\Delta B| = 1$ NLO evanescent operators

$$E_1^{(2)} = \bar{s}_L \gamma^{\mu_1} \gamma^{\mu_2} \gamma^{\mu_3} \gamma^{\mu_4} \gamma^{\mu_5} T^a c_L \bar{c} \gamma_{\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} \gamma_{\mu_3} \gamma_{\mu_4} \gamma_{\mu_5} T^a b_L - 20E_1^{(1)} - 256Q_1,$$

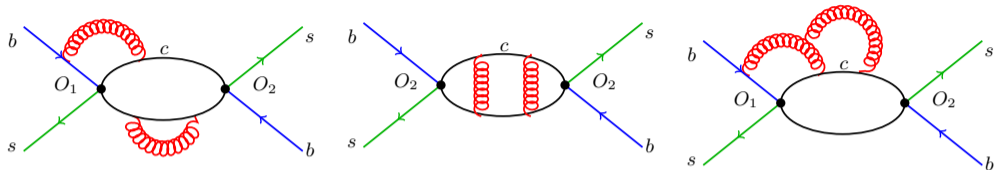
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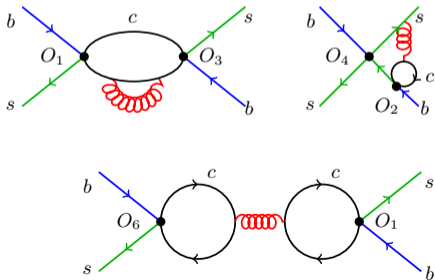
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Representative diagrams in the $|\Delta B| = 1$ theory (1-loop, 2-loop, 3-loop)

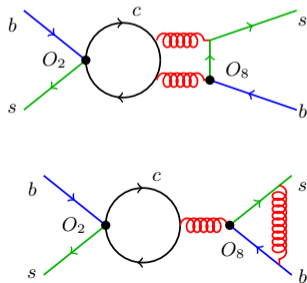
3-loop $O_{1,2} \times O_{1,2}$ correlators



2-loop $O_{1,2} \times O_{3-6}$ correlators



2-loop $O_{1,2} \times O_8$ correlators



- $\Delta\Gamma_s$ described by local $|\Delta B| = 2$ operators [Beneke et al., 1999; Lenz & Nierste, 2007; Asatrian et al., 2017]
- Using Heavy Quark Expansion [Khoze & Shifman, 1983; Shifman & Voloshin, 1985; Khoze et al., 1987; Chay et al., 1990; Bigi & Uraltsev, 1992; Bigi et al., 1992, 1993; Blok et al., 1994; Manohar & Wise, 1994] (expansion in Λ_{QCD}/m_b) one arrives at

$$\Gamma_{12} = -(\lambda_c^q)^2 \Gamma_{12}^{cc} - 2\lambda_c^q \lambda_u^q \Gamma_{12}^{uc} - (\lambda_u^q)^2 \Gamma_{12}^{uu}, \quad \lambda_{q'}^q \equiv V_{q'q}^* V_{q'b}$$

$$\Gamma_{12}^{ab} = \frac{G_F^2 m_b^2}{24\pi M_{B_s}} \left[H^{ab}(z) \langle B_s | Q | \bar{B}_s \rangle + \tilde{H}_S^{ab}(z) \langle B_s | \tilde{Q}_S | \bar{B}_s \rangle \right] + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_b)$$

- Physical $|\Delta B| = 2$ operators

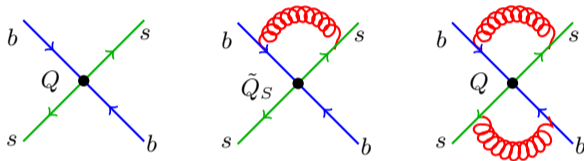
$$Q = \bar{s}_i \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma^5) b_i \bar{s}_j \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma^5) b_j \quad \tilde{Q}_S = \bar{s}_i (1 - \gamma^5) b_j \bar{s}_j (1 - \gamma^5) b_i$$

- Additional operators needed at intermediate stages (e. g. basis changes, def. of evanescent operators)

$$\tilde{Q} = \bar{s}_i \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma^5) b_j \bar{s}_j \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma^5) b_i, \quad Q_S = \bar{s}_i (1 - \gamma^5) b_i \bar{s}_j (1 - \gamma^5) b_j,$$

- Not shown here: evanescent $|\Delta B| = 2$ operators and the $1/m_b$ suppressed operator R_0
- $H(z)$ and $\tilde{H}_S(z)$: Wilson coefficients from the perturbative matching of $|\Delta B| = 1$ to $|\Delta B| = 2$.
- Nonperturbative ME $\langle B_s | Q | \bar{B}_s \rangle$ and $\langle B_s | \tilde{Q}_S | \bar{B}_s \rangle$ [also for B_d mesons] from QCD/HQET sum rules [Ovchinnikov & Pivovarov, 1988; Reinders & Yazaki, 1988; Korner et al., 2003; Mannel et al., 2011; Grozin et al., 2016; Kirk et al., 2017; King et al., 2019], lattice QCD [Bazavov et al., 2016; Dowdall et al., 2019] or combined [Di Luzio et al., 2019]

Representative diagrams in the $|\Delta B| = 2$ theory (tree-level, 1-loop, 2-loop)



Wilson coefficients of the $|\Delta B| = 2$ theory determined in the matching to $|\Delta B| = 1$

$|\Delta B| = 1$ contributions needed for NNLO

$$C_i O_i \sim \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } i = 1, 2 \\ \alpha_s & \text{for } i = 3, 4, 5, 6 \quad (C_{3-6} \text{ numerically small}) \\ \alpha_s & \text{for } i = 8 \quad (\text{explicit strong coupling in the definition of } O_8) \end{cases}$$

Important scale: $z \equiv m_c^2/m_b^2$

🌀 LO contributions to $\Delta\Gamma_s$

- 🔴 1-loop $O_{1-2} \times O_{1-2}$ correlators [z -exact] [Hagelin, 1981; Franco et al., 1982; Chau, 1983; Buras et al., 1984; Khoze et al., 1987; Datta et al., 1987, 1988]

🌀 NLO contributions to $\Delta\Gamma_s$ [z -exact]







- 🔴 2-loop $O_{1-2} \times O_{1-2}$ correlators [z -exact] [Beneke et al., 1999]
- 🔴 1-loop $O_{1-2} \times O_{3-6}$ correlators [z -exact] [Beneke et al., 1999]
- 🔴 1-loop $O_{1-2} \times O_8$ correlators [z -exact] [Beneke et al., 1999]

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 NNLO contributions to $\Delta\Gamma_s$

-  3-loop $O_{1-2} \times O_{1-2}$ correlators [Asatrian et al., 2017, 2020] (n_f piece only, $\mathcal{O}(z^3)$)
-  2-loop $O_{1-2} \times O_{3-6}$ correlators [Asatrian et al., 2017, 2020] (n_f piece only, z -exact)
-  2-loop $O_{1-2} \times O_8$ correlators [Asatrian et al., 2017, 2020] (n_f piece only, z -exact)
-  1-loop $O_{3-6} \times O_{3-6}$ correlators (z -exact) [Beneke et al., 1996]
-  1-loop $O_{3-6} \times O_8$ correlators [Asatrian et al., 2017, 2020] (n_f piece only, z -exact)
-  1-loop $O_8 \times O_8$ correlators [Asatrian et al., 2017, 2020] (n_f piece only, z -exact)

 This work

-  Full ($n_f + \text{non-}n_f$) results for all 2-loop correlators at $\mathcal{O}(z)$ (including $O_8 \times O_8 \Rightarrow \text{N}^3\text{LO}$)
-  Full ($n_f + \text{non-}n_f$) results for the 3-loop $O_{1-2} \times O_{1-2}$ at $\mathcal{O}(z^0)$
-  WIP: Final checks for the 3-loop result, higher order expansions in z , possibly z -exact results for selected correlators

🍷 Calculational strategy

- Matching done on-shell: $p_b^2 = m_b^2$
- The s -quark mass is neglected $\Rightarrow p_s = 0$
- Asymptotic expansion in $z \equiv m_c^2/m_b^2$ (at first up to $\mathcal{O}(z)$ for 2-loop and $\mathcal{O}(z^0)$ for 3-loop)
- Only the imaginary part of the $|\Delta B| = 1$ diagrams enters the matching

🍷 Regularization

- Dimensional regularization used both for UV- and IR-divergences
- Cross-check: massive gluons in IR-divergent diagrams at 2-loops
- $\varepsilon_{UV} + m_g$: renormalized amplitudes manifestly finite \Rightarrow the limit $d \rightarrow 4$ is safe
- $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_{UV} = \varepsilon_{IR}$: products of $1/\varepsilon_{IR}$ and evanescent ME are of $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^0)$

NLO matching with $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_{\text{IR}} = \varepsilon_{\text{UV}}$ (no gluon mass) [Ciuchini et al., 2002]

- Normally, only the matching coefficients of physical $|\Delta B| = 2$ operators are relevant
- Here matching coefficients of evanescent operators are also needed (at intermediate stages)
- $|\Delta B| = 2$ matching coefficients obtain $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$ pieces

$$C = f_0^{(0)} + \varepsilon f_1^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} f_0^{(1)}, \quad C_E = f_{E,0}^{(0)} + \varepsilon f_{E,1}^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} f_{E,0}^{(1)}$$

- LO matching must be carried out up to $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$: fixes $f_0^{(0)}, f_1^{(0)}, f_{E,0}^{(0)}, f_{E,1}^{(0)}$
- At NLO we only need $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^0)$
- Upon inserting $f_0^{(0)}, f_1^{(0)}, f_{E,0}^{(0)}, f_{E,1}^{(0)}$ at NLO all $1/\varepsilon_{\text{IR}}$ poles must cancel.
- Finally, the difference

$$A_{\text{ren}}^{|\Delta B|=1} - A_{\text{ren}}^{|\Delta B|=2}$$

is manifestly finite \Rightarrow determine $f_0^{(1)}$

- Only $f_0^{(0)}$ and $f_0^{(1)}$ enter the physical matching coefficient
- What about $f_{E,1}^{(0)}$? Not needed at NLO, must be determined for the NNLO calculation!
- At NNLO, the LO matching must be done up $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$, the NLO matching up to $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$
- The explicit cancellation of IR poles (and of ξ) is a highly nontrivial cross-check of the whole calculation

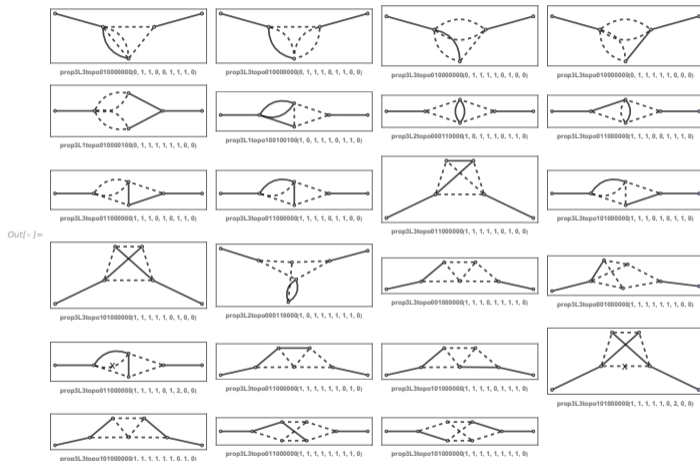
- All computations done using our well-tested automatic setup
 - Diagram generation with **QGRAF** [Nogueira, 1993]
 - Insertion of Feynman rules and topology identification using **Q2E/EXP** [Seidensticker, 1999; Harlander et al., 1998] or **TAPIR** [Gerlach, Herren, 2021]
 - Feynman amplitude evaluation: in-house **CALC** setup written in **FORM** [Ruijl et al., 2017]
 - IBP-reduction: **FIRE 6** [Smirnov & Chuharev, 2020]
 - Analytic computation of master integrals: **HYPERINT** [Panzer, 2015], **HYPERLOGPROCEEDINGS** [Schnetz], **POLYLOGTOOLS** [Duhr & Dulat, 2019]
 - All master integrals checked numerically using **FIESTA** [Smirnov, 2016] and **PYSECDEC** [Borowka et al., 2018]
- Cross-checks of selected intermediate results using **FEYNARTS** [Hahn, 2001], **FEYNRULES** [Christensen & Duhr, 2009; Alloul et al., 2014] and **FEYNCALC** [VS et al., 2020]

- 23 on-shell 3-loop integrals with massive (solid) lines
- Only imaginary parts are relevant and turn out to be very simple
- Appearing constants

$$\pi, \ln(2), \zeta_2, \zeta_3, \zeta_4, \text{Cl}_2(\pi/3), \sqrt{3},$$

$$\text{Li}_4(1/2), \ln\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)$$

- Real parts (obtained as a byproduct) more complicated but irrelevant for $\Delta\Gamma_s$



- New contributions to Γ_{12}^s computed in the course of this project ($z = m_c^2/m_b^2$)

Correlator	Perturbative order	z -dependence
$O_{1,2} \times O_{3-6}$	2 loops	$\mathcal{O}(z)$
$O_{1,2} \times O_8$	2 loops	$\mathcal{O}(z)$
$O_{3-6} \times O_{3-6}$	2 loops	$\mathcal{O}(z)$
$O_{3-6} \times O_8$	2 loops	$\mathcal{O}(z)$
$O_8 \times O_8$	1 loop	exact
$O_8 \times O_8$	2 loops	$\mathcal{O}(z)$
$O_{1,2} \times O_{1,2}$	3 loops	$\mathcal{O}(z^0)$

- All 2-loop contributions to the NNLO correction already computed and cross-checked
- New theory predictions for the width difference $\Delta\Gamma_s$ and the CP asymmetry a_{fs}^s under way

$$\frac{\Delta\Gamma_s}{\Delta M_s} = -\text{Re}\left(\frac{\Gamma_{12}^s}{M_{12}^s}\right), \quad a_{fs}^s = \text{Im}\left(\frac{\Gamma_{12}^s}{M_{12}^s}\right)$$

- Ingredients

$$\Gamma_{12}^s = -(\lambda_t^s)^2 \left[\Gamma_{12}^{s,cc} + 2\frac{\lambda_u^s}{\lambda_t^s} (\Gamma_{12}^{s,cc} - \Gamma_{12}^{s,uc}) + \left(\frac{\lambda_u^s}{\lambda_t^s}\right)^2 (\Gamma_{12}^{s,uu} + \Gamma_{12}^{s,cc} - 2\Gamma_{12}^{s,uc}) \right]$$

$$\Gamma_{s,12}^{ab} = \frac{G_F^2 m_b^2}{24\pi M_{B_s}} \left[\underbrace{H^{ab}(z) \langle B_s | Q | \bar{B}_s \rangle}_{\frac{8}{3} M_{B_s}^2 f_{B_s}^2 B_{B_s}} + \tilde{H}_S^{ab}(z) \underbrace{\langle B_s | \tilde{Q}_S | \bar{B}_s \rangle}_{\frac{1}{3} M_{B_s}^2 f_{B_s}^2 \tilde{B}'_{S,B_s}} \right] + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_b)$$

$$M_{12} = (\lambda_t^s)^2 \frac{G_F^2 M_{B_s}}{12\pi^2} M_W^2 \hat{\eta}_B S_0 \left(\frac{m_t^2}{M_W^2} \right) f_{B_s}^2 B_{B_s}$$

- Cancellation of $(\lambda_t^s)^2 = (V_{ts}^* V_{tb}^\dagger)^2$, f_{B_s} , M_{B_s} and to large extent bag parameters in the ratio Γ_{12}^s/M_{12}^s
- Following [Asatrian et al., 2020] we can calculate

$$\Delta\Gamma_s = \left(\frac{\Delta\Gamma_s}{\Delta M_s} \right) \Delta M_s^{\text{exp}}$$

- $|V_{cb}|$ controversy irrelevant!

- Theoretical predictions for the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ and pole schemes
- m_b^2 in the prefactor of Γ_{12} treated as $(m_b^{\text{OS}})^2$ in the pole scheme and $(m_b^{\text{MS}}(m_b))^2$ in the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme
- In both schemes we use $\bar{z} = (m_c^{\text{MS}}(m_b)/m_b^{\text{MS}}(m_b))^2$
- NLO result for M_{12} from [Buras et al., 1990]
- $1/m_b$ LO corrections to Γ_{12} [Beneke et al., 1996; Lenz & Nierste, 2007] are included
- Experimental value (HFLAV 2020 average): $\Delta\Gamma_s^{\text{exp}} = (0.085 \pm 0.004) \text{ ps}^{-1}$
- Numerical input [Tanabashi et al., 2018; Dowdall et al., 2019; Bazavov et al., 2018; Amhis et al., 2021]

$$M_{B_s} = 5366.88 \text{ MeV} \quad f_{B_s} = (0.2307 \pm 0.0013) \text{ GeV},$$

$$B_{B_s} = 0.813 \pm 0.034, \quad \tilde{B}'_{S,B_s} = 1.31 \pm 0.09,$$

$$\frac{\lambda_u^s}{\lambda_t^s} = -(0.00865 \pm 0.00042) + (0.01832 \pm 0.00039)i$$

$$\Delta M_s^{\text{exp}} = (17.749 \pm 0.020) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

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Included correlators	$\text{Re}(\Gamma_{12}^s/M_{12}^s)$	$\Delta\Gamma_s$
$O_{1,2} \times O_{1,2}$ [2 loops], $O_{1,2} \times O_{3-6}$ [1 loop], $O_{1,2} \times O_8$ [2 loops], $O_{3-6} \times O_{3-6}$ [1 loop]	$(5.31 \pm 0.67) \times 10^{-3}$ ($\overline{\text{MS}}$) $(4.73 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-3}$ (pole)	$(0.094 \pm 0.012) \text{ps}^{-1}$ ($\overline{\text{MS}}$) $(0.084 \pm 0.014) \text{ps}^{-1}$ (pole)
as above + $O_{1,2} \times O_{3-6}$ [2 loops]	$(5.21 \pm 0.67) \times 10^{-3}$ ($\overline{\text{MS}}$) $(4.71 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-3}$ (pole)	$(0.093 \pm 0.012) \text{ps}^{-1}$ ($\overline{\text{MS}}$) $(0.084 \pm 0.014) \text{ps}^{-1}$ (pole)
as above + $O_{3-6} \times O_{3-6}$ [2 loops]	$(5.24 \pm 0.67) \times 10^{-3}$ ($\overline{\text{MS}}$) $(4.74 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-3}$ (pole)	$(0.094 \pm 0.012) \text{ps}^{-1}$ ($\overline{\text{MS}}$) $(0.084 \pm 0.014) \text{ps}^{-1}$ (pole)
as above + $O_{3-6} \times O_8$ [2 loops] and $O_8 \times O_8$ [1 loop and 2 loops]	$(5.24 \pm 0.67) \times 10^{-3}$ ($\overline{\text{MS}}$) $(4.73 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-3}$ (pole)	$(0.094 \pm 0.012) \text{ps}^{-1}$ ($\overline{\text{MS}}$) $(0.084 \pm 0.014) \text{ps}^{-1}$ (pole)

- The error is dominated by the uncertainty in the hadronic ME entering $1/m_b$ LO corrections
- The main contribution comes from the current-penguin $O_{12} \times O_{3-6}$ 2-loop corrections

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$$a_{\text{fs}}^{s,2\text{-loop}} = (2.02 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-5} (\overline{\text{MS}}),$$

$$a_{\text{fs}}^{s,2\text{-loop}} = (2.05 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-5} (\text{pole})$$

Summary

- 🔍 Experimental precision of $\Delta\Gamma_s$ calls for the NNLO calculation!
- 📦 We calculated all building blocks needed to obtain the NNLO correction to $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ mixing
- 📦 All the occurring 3-loop MI from the current-current contribution calculated analytically (for $m_c = 0$)
- 📦 The result for the 2-loop current-penguin contribution already published [[Gerlach, Nierste, VS, Steinhauser, 2021](#)]

Outlook

- 🔍 Results for all the remaining 2-loop contributions and the 3-loop current-current piece to appear soon
- 🔍 New theory predictions for $\Delta\Gamma_s$ and the CP asymmetry a_{fs}^s
- 🔍 Higher order expansions in $z \equiv m_c^2/m_b^2$, ideally z -exact results at least for the 2-loop contributions

Anomalies in the flavor physics (incomplete list)

- Hints for Lepton Flavor Universality (LFU) violation in semileptonic decays
 - Loop-level (FCNC): $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ (e. g. $B_d \rightarrow K^*\mu^+\mu^-$) [Aaij et al., 2017, 2019; Abdesselam et al., 2021; Choudhury et al., 2021; Aaij et al., 2021]
 - Tree-level: $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$ (e. g. $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$) [Lees et al., 2019; Hirose et al., 2017; Aaij et al., 2015, 2018]
- Dimuon charge asymmetry (related to CP -asymmetry in B -mixing) [Abazov et al., 2006, 2010a, 2010b, 2011, 2014]
- $g - 2$ of the muon [Abi et al., 2021]
- CP -violation in the neutral kaon system (ε/ε') [Alavi-Harati et al., 1999; Fanti et al., 1999]
- a_{fb} in $Zb\bar{b}$ decays [Abbaneo et al., 1996]
- LFU violation in leptonic τ decays [Aubert et al., 2010; Anastassov et al., 1997; Albrecht et al., 1992]
- $B \rightarrow \pi K$ puzzle [Buras et al., 2003, 2004b, 2004a]
- Inclusive vs exclusive determinations of V_{cb} [Waheed et al., 2019; Lees et al., 2019]