

Technical aspects of B meson mixing at NNLO

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Motivation



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Lifetime difference

- Off-diagonal matrix element \rightarrow width difference

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\Gamma &\equiv \Gamma_L - \Gamma_H \\ &= -2|\Gamma_{12}| \cos(\phi_\Gamma - \phi_M) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{|\Gamma_{12}|^2}{|M_{12}|^2}\right)\end{aligned}\quad (3)$$

- Absorptive part of self-energy \rightarrow off-diagonal matrix element

$$-\frac{\Gamma_{12}}{2} = -i \frac{\Sigma_{12} - \Sigma_{21}^*}{2}\quad (4)$$

Calculation

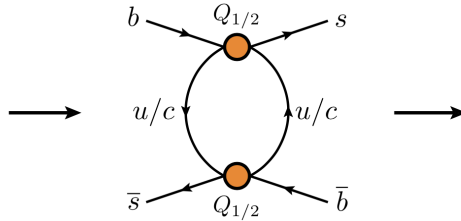
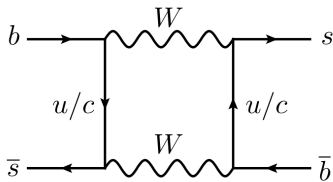
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 and cc mix w/ penguins in the sense that $C_{P_{3-c}}^{(u)} \rightarrow \sum_{d=1}^2 Z_{P_{3-c}}^{(u)}$
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 $\equiv V_{qs}^* V_{qb}$

Operator product expansion

- Basic idea:

$$\mathcal{O}_1(x)\mathcal{O}_2(0) \rightarrow \sum_n C_{12}^n(x)\mathcal{O}_n(0) \quad (5)$$

- B mixing to leading order:



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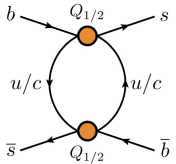
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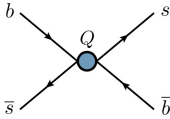
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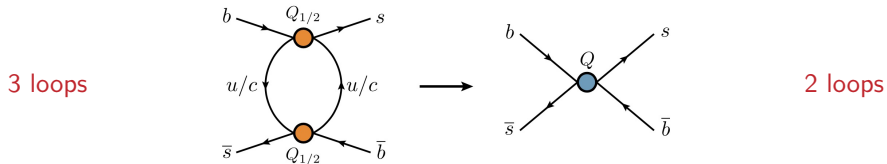
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Factorisation of scales in Γ_{12}

$$\Gamma_{12} = - \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \lambda_{\alpha} \lambda_{\beta} \Gamma_{12}^{\alpha\beta} = - \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \lambda_{\alpha} \lambda_{\beta} \frac{G_F^2 m_b^2}{24\pi M_B} \left[H^{\alpha\beta} \langle B | Q | \bar{B} \rangle + \tilde{H}_S^{\alpha\beta} \langle B | \tilde{Q}_S | \bar{B} \rangle \right] + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{m_b} \right) \quad (8)$$

Current numerical status



NB: $z \equiv \frac{m_c^2}{m_b^2}$

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¹(Asatrian et al. 2020)

²(Beneke, Buchalla, and Dunietz 1996)

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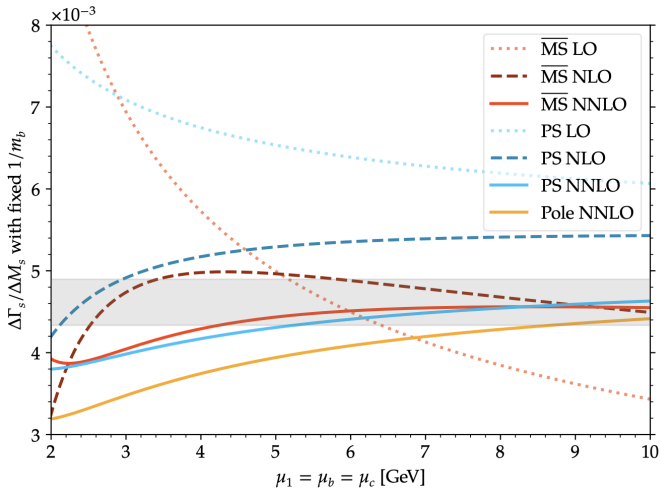
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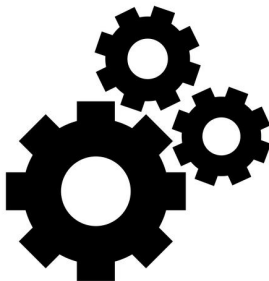
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- All Lorentz indices except for loop momenta are contracted \implies quicker computation and parallelisation possible
- Single core calculation of the same number of gamma matrices takes only ≈ 1 week, but parallelisation reduces this significantly

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Challenges

- Long gamma traces and projector optimisation
- High-rank tensor integrals
- 3-loop master integrals with 2 mass scales

Thank you for your attention!

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