LATTICE QCD AND FLAVOUR PHYSICS

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Prelude

- QCD: a central issue in the Standard Model (SM)
- Weak interaction asymmetries: *CP*-violation under intensive study
- Test subtler properties of SM
- Hope to see signatures of Physics beyond SM
- Experiments (strange sector): CERN, FNAL, ...
- Experiments (bottom sector): CERN, DESY, FNAL, KEK, ...
- Experiments (charm sector): Frascati, FNAL, KEK
- Theory: Dortmund, Dubna, Lund, Montpelier, Munich, Rome, Taipei, Trieste, Valencia, ...
- Main difficulty: control of strong interaction effects at low energies (non-perturbative QCD)

Flavour QCD basics

CP-violation in the Standard Model

• Arises through the interaction of charged matter (current) and gauge bosons:

$$W^+_{\mu}J^+_{\mu} + W^-_{\mu}J^-_{\mu}$$

Current:

$$J^{+}_{\mu} = \bar{U} \quad \gamma^{L}_{\mu} \quad V_{CKM} \quad D = (\bar{u} \ \bar{c} \ \bar{t}) \quad \gamma^{L}_{\mu} \quad \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

Interaction:

$$W^+_{\mu} \bar{U}\gamma^{\mu}_L V_{CKM} D + W^-_{\mu} \bar{D}\gamma^{\mu}_L V^{\dagger}_{CKM} U$$

Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix V_{CKM}

3 imes 3 , unitary matrix with 4 physical parameters

NB: CP-conservation (2 generations) implies

 $V_{CKM} \in \mathcal{R}$

The CKM matrix

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• 2 X 2 matrix: Cabibbo sector

 $V_{ud} \approx V_{cs} = \cos \theta_C$ $V_{us} \approx -V_{cd} = \sin \theta_C$

• 3rd column: Bottom sector

$$V_{cb} \approx -V_{ts}$$
 $V_{tb} \approx 1$

- If Cabibbo matrix & Bottom column accurately known, we are done, PROVIDED the SM is the whole story
- Poorest accuracy is due to hadronic NP-effects

The Cabibbo sector





- No CP violation in the 2X2 submatrix
- Beta-decays: $V_{ud} = 0.9740 \pm 0.0005$
- Kaon semileptonic decays

 $V_{us} = \lambda = 0.2256 \pm 0.0022$ E $\langle \pi | J_{\mu} | K
angle$

• QCD low energy effects: WME

The Unitarity Triangle

$$V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{2} & \lambda & A\lambda^3(\rho - i\eta) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{2} & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3(1 - \rho - i\eta) & -A\lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Wolfenstein parametrization of V_{CKM} (good to $O(\lambda^4)$)
- $\lambda = \sin(\theta_c) \approx 0.22$
- Unitarity: $[3^{RD} row]^{\dagger} \times [1^{st} col]$ implies phaenomenologically useful relation:

$$V_{ud}V_{ub}^* + V_{cd}V_{cb}^* + V_{td}V_{tb}^* = 0$$

In terms of Wolfenstein parameters:

$$V_{ud}V_{ub}^* = A\lambda^3(\overline{\rho} + i\overline{\eta})$$
$$V_{cd}V_{cb}^* = -A\lambda^3$$
$$V_{td}V_{tb}^* = A\lambda^3[1 - (\overline{\rho} + i\overline{\eta})]$$

 $\overline{\rho} = \rho(1 - \lambda^2/2)$ $\overline{\eta} = \eta(1 - \lambda^2/2)$



•several processes to check UT •"Gold plated" decay $B_d \rightarrow J/\Psi + K_s$ gives $sin(\beta)$ [Belle - BaBar] $- \bar{K}^0(\Delta S = 2)$ • ϵ -hyperbola: $B_d^0 - \bar{B}_d^0(\Delta B = 2)$



$\Delta S=2$ transitions: ϵ_K





Lattice basics

Lattice themes

- discretization of spacetime and QCD length scales
- hadron masses and WME from the lattice
- lattice actions, fermion doubling
- renormalization & improvement
- heavy flavours on the lattice
 - HQET, NRQCD

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- use functional form suggested by χPT in the extrapolation

ensure $m_H L > 4$

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- compute in range $m_c < m_q < 1.5 m_c$ and extrapolate to bottom quark values
- using results suggested by HQET or NRQCD interpolate charm up to bottom region

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- use exp[- S^{latt}] as probability weight to generate a configuration ensemble
- compute observable on this ensemble
- process characterized by **statistical error**; this is the least source of worry
- "easily" controlled by increasing configuration ensemble N_{conf} (NB: $\epsilon \sim 1 / \sqrt{N_{conf}}$)

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- popular shortcut is to set $det[D^{latt}+m]=1$; i.e. sea quarks are infinitely heavy.
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- we are currently at the end of the quenched era, in the middle of $N_f=2$ and $N_f=2+1$, aiming at $N_f=2+1+1$
- $N_f=2$ and $N_f=2+1$ are the so-called partially quenched lattice theories

- How do we obtain matrix elements and hadronic masses (i.e. **bare** low energy quantities)?
- Consider the lattice correlation function:

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- the states $|s\rangle$ are those with the quantum numbers of Q(x)
- m_s are the corresponding hadronic masses; m_G the ground state
- < 0 | Q | G > is the vacuum-to-G **bare** WME of operator Q
- higher excited states (same quantum numbers) drop out in the large-t limit

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- example: the operator ${f Q}$ is the charged axial current $~Q~
 ightarrow~A_0~=~ar{u}\gamma_0\gamma_5 d$
- the state $|G\rangle$ is the charged pion; $m_G \rightarrow m_{\pi}$
- the matrix element defines the pion decay contant $< 0 \mid A_0 \mid \pi > = f_\pi \; m_\pi$

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$$\text{renormalized WME}$$

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- lattice renormalization can be done either in PT or non-perturbatively (NP)
- lattice PT is tedious and **badly convergent**; at say LO, it introduces large $O(g_0^4)$ errors in Z_Q
- NP methods introduce O(a) discretization errors is Z_Q ; as also the bare WME has O(a) effects, this is preferable to PT
- better still: attempt to "help" continuum extrapolation by reducing all discretization errors to $O(a^2)$ [Symanzik impr.; "automatic" impr. ...]

Lattice actions

Fermion "doubling"

• the problem is general: for any lattice fermion action (free massless case)

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- the lattice Dirac operator should satisfy:
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- staggered fermions: dilute 16 spinorial degrees of freedom on hypercube points. Retain a reduced U(1) chiral symmetry. Loose "flavour transparency"

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- Ginsparg-Wilson) fermions: break chirality mildly to O(a), give up strict locality; costly in practice. Known as overlap fermions

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- Domain wall fermions: An equivalent formulation to GW fermions: introduce a fifth dimension; the 4-D lattice is a hypersurface (a defect) where both chiralities merge. Fairly costly (computationally); chirality is recovered at infinitely large DW

Renormalization

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- several "practical" problems have induced variants of this procedure

Quality Criteria FLAG: Flavianet Lattice Averaging Group



- Lattice simulations performed by different groups involve different choices both at the level of formalism (lattice actions, number of sea flavours etc.) and at the level of resources (lattice volumes, quark masses etc.)
- often this amounts to making different compromises which in turn introduces different systematic effects
- not all lattice results of a given quantity are directly comparable
- FLAG: a group of European lattice practitioners is making an effort to create a compilation of results on a few quantities, which critically summarize the state of the art
- FLAG members: G. Colangelo (Bern), S. Dürr (Jülich), A. Jüttner (Mainz), L. Lellouch (Marseilles), H. Leutwyler (Bern), V. Lubicz (Rome3), S. Necco (CERN), C. Sachrajda (Southampton), S. Simula (Rome3), T.Vladikas (Rome2), U.Wegner (Bern), H.Wittig (Mainz)

- a number of criteria have been fixed; these are somewhat subjective and time dependent
- criteria:
 - ***** systematic error estimated in a satisfactory manner and under control
 - a reasonable attempt at estimating systematic error; can be improved
 - no attempt or unsatisfactory attempt at controlling a systematic error

- <u>chiral extrapolation:</u>
 - ★ $M_{\pi,\min}$ < 250 MeV
 - 250 MeV $\leq M_{\pi,\min} \leq 400$ MeV
 - $\blacksquare M_{\pi,\min} \leq 400 \text{ MeV}$

NB: at least 3 points requested

- <u>continuum extrapolation:</u>
 - \star at least 3 lattice spacings, at least two below 0.1 fm
 - 2 or more lattice spacings, at least one below 0.1 fm
 - otherwise

NB: action should be O(a)-improved; for non-improved actions an extra point is needed for each criterion

- <u>finite volume effects</u> (with $L_{min} > 2$ fm):
 - ★ $[M_{\pi} L]_{\min} > 4$ or at least 3 volumes
 - $[M_{\pi}L]_{min} > 3$ and at least 2 volumes
 - otherwise, and in any case if $L_{min} < 2$ fm
- renormalization (where applicable):
 - \star non perturbative
 - 2-loop perturbation theory
 - otherwise
- renormalization group running (where applicable):
 - ★ non perturbative
 - otherwise

• unitarity:
$$|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 1$$

- experiment: $|V_{ub}| = 3.93 (36) \cdot 10^{-3}$
- Kaon decays: $|V_{us}| f_+(0) = 0.21661 (47)$ form factor @ zero momentum transfer $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \vee l^+$ $\left| \frac{V_{us}f_K}{V_{ud}f_\pi} \right| = 0.27599 (59)$
- 3 expressions, 4 unknowns; need one more input (e.g. V_{ud} from nuclear β decays)
- lattice provides independent determinations of $f_{\rm K} / f_{\rm m}$ and $f_{\rm +}(0)$



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MILC 09	[43]	2+1	*	*	*	*	$1.197(3)(_{-1}^{+})$		
ALVdW 08	[44]	2+1		*	•	•	1.191(16)(1		
PACS-CS 08, 08B	[3, 45]	2+1	•	*			1.189(20)		
BMW 08	[46]	2+1		*	*	*	1.18(1)(1)		
HPQCD/UKQCD 08	[47]	2+1	*	*	•	*	1.189(2)(7)		
RBC/UKQCD 07	[37]	2+1	*	•	*		1.205(18)(6		
NPLQCD 06	[48]	$^{2+1}$	*	•			1.218(2)(+)		
ETM 09	[49]	2	*	•	•	*	1.210(6)(15		
QCDSF/UKQCD 07	[50]	2		•	*	•	1.21(3)		

most systematics OK

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$$f_K/f_\pi = 1.190 \ (2) \ (10) \qquad (N_f = 2 + 1)$$

 $f_K/f_\pi = 1.210 \ (6) \ (17) \qquad (N_f = 2)$



and $f_{\rm K} / f_{\rm T}$

- fundamental parameters of Standard Model
- X-sections & decay rates expressed in formulae with m_{charm} and m_{bottom}
- knowing the quark mass values with good precision for all flavours is an important ingredient of the flavour structure of the Standard Model
- cannot be measured experimentally
- can be calculated theoretically, using some input from hadronic physics
- they are quantities which run with the renormalization scale
- FLAG is centered on $m_{ud} = 0.5 (m_{up} + m_{down})$ and $m_{strange}$
- 3 fundamental QCD quantities (α_s , m_{ud} , $m_{strange}$) and lattice spacing a
- fix them through, say, m_{π} , f_{π} , m_{N} , m_{K}
- FLAG is currently analyzing the lattice data; no averages issued yet
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I	PACS-CS 08 RBC/UKQCD 08 CP-PACS/ JLQCD 07 MILC 07 HPQCD/MILC/ UKQCD 05 MILC 04	 [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8, 9] 	• * * * * *	* • •	* * •	■ * *	*	•	$\begin{array}{c} 2.527(47) \\ 3.72(16)(33)(18) \\ 3.55(19)^{+56}_{-20} \\ 3.2(0)(1)(2)(0) \\ 3.2(0)(2)(2)(0) \\ 2.8(0)(1)(3)(0) \end{array}$	$72.72(78)$ $107.3(4.4)(9.7)(4.9)$ $90.1(4.3)^{+16.7}_{-4.3}$ $88.(0)(3)(4)(0)$ $87.(0)(4)(4)(0)$ $76.(0)(3)(7)(0)$
	RBC 07 ETM 07 QCDSF/ UKQCD 04 QCDSF/ UKQCD 04 SPQcdR 05 ALPHA 05 JLQCD 02 CP-PACS 01	[10] [11] [12] [12] [13] [14] [15] [16]	** * * ****			*• * * • *• *	** * * **	•	$\begin{array}{c} 4.25(23)(26)\\ 3.85(12)(40)\\ 4.7(2)(3)\\ 4.08(23)(19)(23)\\ 4.3(4)^{+1.1}_{-0.0}\\ 3.223^{+0.046}_{-0.069}\\ 3.45(10)^{+11}_{-18}\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 119.5(5.6)(7.4)\\ 105(3)(9)\\ 119(5)(8)\\ 111(6)(10)\\ 101.(8)^{+25}_{-0}\\ 97.(4)(18)^{\frac{5}{8}}\\ 84.5^{+12.0}_{-1.7}\\ 89.(2)^{+2}_{-6} \end{array}$

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PACS-CS 08 RBC/UKQCD 08 MILC 07 MILC 04	[3] [4] [6] [8, 9]	• * *	*	*	*	*		$28.8(4) \\28.8 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.6 \\27.2(1)(3)(0)(0) \\27.4(1)(4)(0)(1)$	
RBC 07 ETM 07 QCDSF/ UKQCD 04	[10] [11] [12]	* *	:		* • *	* * *	•	$\begin{array}{c} 28.10(38) \\ 27.3 \pm 0.3 \pm 1.2 \\ 27.2(3.2) \end{array}$	

smaller errors because of lack of renormalization



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definitive plots (and averages) by the FLAG group to appear soon...

NB: perturbatively renormalized results are systematically lower than NP ones, irrespective of $N_{\rm f}$

indirect CP-violation

$$\epsilon_K = \frac{\mathcal{A}[K_L \to (\pi\pi)_{I=0}]}{\mathcal{A}[K_S \to (\pi\pi)_{I=0}]} = [2.282(17) \times 10^{-3}] \exp(i\pi/4)$$

can also be expressed in terms of $K^0 - K^0$ mixing dominant EW process is FCNC (2 W exchange)

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RBC/UKQCD 07B, 08 HPQCD/UKQCD 06	[91, 4] [92]	$^{2+1}_{2+1}$:	•	*	*	•	0.524(10)(28) 0.618(18)(135)	0.720(13)(37) 0.83(18)
JLQCD 08B RBC 04 UKQCD 04	[93] [94] [95]	2 2 2	:	•	† †	* *	•	0.537(4)(40) 0.495(18) 0.49(13)	0.758(6)(71) 0.699(25) 0.69(18)

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Conclusions

- The lattice is a rigorously defined regularization of QCD (the only one?).
- As such, it enables non-pertrubative computations at low energies, from first principles, without any model assumptions.
- The price to pay is the presence of a plethora of systematic effects. They can be kept under control and are being systematically reduced.
- The control of these effects is not just the result of better hardware an software, but principally stems from a better theoretical understanding of non-perturbative QFT at fixed UV cutoff.
- We are currently moving away from uncontrolled approximations (quenching) and approach a realistic situation of $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$. Moreover, we are approaching the most "critical" areas of the QCD parameter space (chiral limit, heavy flavours).
- The result of this progress is that lattice QCD is a mature field, capable of providing reliably some missing puzzles in Standard Model phenomenology.