# Lattice QCD Now and in > 5 Years

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# **Motivation**

The problem:

for example 
$$\frac{d\Gamma(B \rightarrow \pi + v)}{dq^2} = (known) \times |V_{ub}|^2 \times |f_+(q^2)|^2$$

need the hadronic matrix elements from lattice QCD to determine the CKM matrix elements

goal:

2-3% theory errors from lattice QCD



### Motivation cont'd

HPQCD (NRQCD+MILC+FNAL), compiled by P. Lepage (hep-lat/0304004)

lattice QCD/experiment



works quite well!

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### Introduction to Lattice QCD

in general: 
$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle^{\text{lat}} = \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle^{\text{cont}} + O(ap)^n$$
  $n \ge 1$   
errors scale with the typical momenta of the particles,  
e.g.  $(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} a)^n$  for gluons and light quarks. keep  $1/a \pi \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$   
 $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim 200 - 300 \text{ MeV}$   
typical lattice spacing  $a \sim 0.1 \text{ fm} \Rightarrow 1/a \sim 2 \text{ GeV}$ 

Improvement: add more terms to the action to make *n* large

- $\succ$  light quarks ( $m_q = \Lambda_{\rm QCD}$  and  $am_q = 1$  ):
  - staggered (Kogut+Susskind):  $a^2$  errors improved staggered (Asqtad):  $\alpha_s a^2$  errors (Lepage, MILC)
  - Wilson: a errors (n = 1)Clover (SW):  $\alpha_s^2 a \text{ errors}, a^2 \text{ errors}$  (Sheikholeslami+Wohlert)
  - Domain Wall fermions, Overlap, ...

Introduction to Lattice QCD, cont'd

> Heavy Quarks ( $m_Q \ \pi \ \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  and  $am_Q \ \phi \ 1$ ):

lattice NRQCD (Lepage, et al., Caswell+Lepage):

- discretize NRQCD lagrangian: valid when  $am_Q > 1$
- errors: ~  $(ap)^n$  ,  $(p/m_Q)^n$

Fermilab (Kronfeld, Mackenzie, AXK):

- rel. Wilson action has the same heavy quark limit as QCD
- add improvement: preserve HQ limit
- smoothly connects light and heavy mass limits, valid for all  $am_O$
- errors:  $\sim (ap)^n$  ,  $(p/m_Q)^n$



#### errors, errors, errors, ...

✓ statistical errors: from monte carlo integration

- ✓ finite lattice spacing, a:  $\langle O \rangle^{lat} = \langle O \rangle^{cont} + O(ap)^n$ take continuum limit: •brute force: computational effort grows like ~ (L/a)<sup>6</sup> •improving the action: make n larger a (fm)
- $\checkmark$  finite volume
- $\succ$  m<sub>l</sub> dependence: chiral extrapolation
- $\succ$   $n_f$  dependence: sea quark effects

perturbation theory

$$\left\langle J_{\mu}^{\mathrm{cont}}\right\rangle = Z^{\mathrm{lat}}\left\langle J_{\mu}^{\mathrm{lat}}\right\rangle$$

systematic errors, cont'd

• chiral extrapolation, *m<sub>l</sub>* dependence:

In numerical simulations,  $m_l > m_{u,d}$  because of the computational cost for small m.

use chiral perturbation theory to extrapolate to  $m_{u,d}$ 

need  $m_l < m_s/2$  and several different values for  $m_l$ (easier with staggered than Wilson-type actions)



Decay constants, form factors: chiral logs contribute ~  $m_{\pi}^2 \log(m_{\pi}^2)$ 

# systematic errors, cont'd

•  $n_f$  dependence  $n_f = 0$ : quenched approximation introduces systematic error = 10 = 30% for stable by

introduces systematic error  $\sim~10$  – 30 % for stable hadrons

 $n_f \neq 0$ :computationally difficultkeep a large,  $a \geq 0.1 \text{ fm}$  $\longrightarrow$  need improved actionsuntil 2002:  $n_f = 2$  with staggered and SW fermions ( $a^2$  errors)

new MILC (2002):  $n_f = 3$  with  $m_s \neq m_{light}$  and  $m_{light} = m_s/8$ ,  $m_s/4$  ...,  $m_s/2$ , ...,  $m_s$ using an improved staggered action ( $\alpha_s a^2$  errors) "Gold-Plated" Quantities or What are the "easy" lattice calculations ?

For stable (or almost stable) hadrons, masses and amplitudes with no more than one initial (final) state hadron, for example:

•  $\pi$ , K, D,  $D_{s}$ , B,  $B_{s}$  mesons

masses, decay constants, weak matrix elements for mixing, semileptonic and rare decays

• charmonium and bottomonium ( $\eta_c$ ,  $J/\psi$ ,  $h_c$ , ...,  $\eta_b$ , Y(1S), Y(2S), ...) states below open D/B threshold masses, leptonic widths, electromagnetic matrix elements

This list includes most of the important quantities for CKM physics. Excluded are  $\rho$  mesons and other resonances.

# gold-plated quantities for most CKM elements ...



### **Recent Developments**

- the new MILC configurations include realistic sea quark effects.
  - strategy:
    - the only free parameters in lattice QCD lagrangian: quark masses and  $\alpha_{\!s}$
    - tune the lattice QCD parameters using experiment:  $m_{u,d}$ ,  $m_s$ ,  $m_c$ ,  $m_b$  using  $\pi$ , K,  $D_s$ , Y meson masses  $\alpha_s$  using 2S-1S splitting in Y system
    - all other quantities should agree with experiment ... try this for some easy quantities ...

### Recent Developments cont'd

HPQCD (NRQCD+MILC+FNAL), compiled by P. Lepage (hep-lat/0304004)

lattice QCD/experiment



agreement within ~few % (stat+sys.) errors

# Prospects for the near future

work currently in progress using the MILC configurations within the next year we can expect first results for ...

✓ Y and J/ $\psi$  systems using NRQCD and Fermilab actions test the new heavy quark actions  $\Rightarrow \alpha_s, m_b, m_c$  The Upsilon Spectrum

HPQCD (Davies, Gray, et al) 2003



### The Upsilon Hyperfine Spectrum

HPQCD (Davies, Gray, et al) 2003



for hyperfine splittings still need 1-loop correction to coefficient of  $\sigma \cdot B$  term

- ---: Experiment
- : Quenched
- : 2+1 flavours MILC with  $m_{u,d} = m_s/5$ .

Fermilab 2003 (preliminary)



result at  $m_{light} = m_s/4$ , a = 0.12 fm with O(a) improved action

### Prospects for the near future cont'd

... and expect new results for ...

✓  $D,D_s$ ,  $B, B_s$  meson systems (NRQCD, Fermilab) using improved staggered light quarks with  $m_l < m_s/2$ masses (splittings), decay constants, mixing, SL form factors

 $\Rightarrow$  comparison with CLEO-c essential to test lattice results

expect initial accuracy of < 10% errors with an ultimate goal of 2-3% errors.

# The $D_s$ Spectrum

Recent experimental surprise in the  $D_s$  spectrum (BaBar, CLEO, Belle):



The new  $0^+$  and  $1^+$  states are close (~50 MeV) to  $D^{(*)} K$  threshold

⇒ they are not gold-plated quantities for LQCD, may have significant threshold effects

### The $D_s$ Spectrum cont'd



# $f_B$

•  $n_f = 0$ :  $f_B = 173$  (23) MeV (Yamada average at Lattice 2002)

has been stable in the last four years dominant error:  $n_f$  dependence new in 2003:  $f_{Bs}$  with nonpert. matching (APE, ALPHA)

•  $n_f \neq 0$ : most results (< 2003) have  $n_f = 2$ "heavy" (valence) light quarks with  $m_l \geq m_s/2$  $\xi_f = f_{Bs} / f_{Bd} = 1.16$  (5) agrees with  $n_f = 0$ 

• in 2002:

include chiral logs in chiral extrapolation (JLQCD) increases  $f_{Bs}/f_{Bd} \rightarrow 1.3$ increases the systematic error due to  $m_l$  dependence  $1^{st}$  result with  $n_f = 3$  (MILC, Lattice 2002) but also with "heavy" valence light quarks

• new in 2003:

preliminary results from HPQCD & FNAL (Lattice 2003) for decay constants on MILC lattices

# chiral logarithms

#### Kronfeld review @ Lattice 2003



# chiral logarithms



- Kronfeld+Ryan: chiral logs are small for  $B_B$
- Becirevic, et al: use double ratios:  $(f_{Bs}/f_{Bd})/(f_K/f_{\pi})$

# $f_{Ds}$ vs sea quark mass

### FNAL (Mackenzie, et al) @ Lattice 2003



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### $B \rightarrow D, D^* lv$

Hashimoto, et al (FNAL):

0.85

0.90

 $h_{A_{1}}(1)$ 

0.95



### $B, D \rightarrow \pi l v$

• 
$$p_{\pi}(q^2)$$
 dependence:  $p_{\pi} \neq 0$   
 $\left\langle \pi \mid V_{\mu} \mid B \right\rangle^{\text{lat}} = \left\langle \pi \mid V_{\mu} \mid B \right\rangle^{\text{cont}} + O(ap_{\pi})^n$   
 $\Rightarrow p_{\pi} \delta \quad 1 \text{ GeV}$   
improved actions help (keep *n* large)

• experiment: measure  $d\Gamma/dp_{\pi}$  for 0  $p_{\pi} < m_B/2$ 

- Note: not a problem for D decays
- Prior to 2003:  $n_f = 0$  only
- New in 2003:

new (preliminary) results for *B*, *D* decays to light hadrons on MILC lattices (FNAL, MILC)

#### $D \rightarrow \pi, K l v$

FNAL (Okamoto, et al) @ Lattice 2003 on the MILC  $(n_f = 2+1, a = 0.13 \text{ fm})$  lattices



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### $D \rightarrow \pi l v$ chiral extrapolation



 $m_{valence} = m_{sea}$ 



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### Issues

test the highly improved light and heavy quark actions NRQCD vs. Fermilab staggered vs. Wilson ?

for n<sub>f</sub> = 2+1 staggered fermions one has to take the sqrt(det) - a nonlocal operation:

staggered LQCD = QCD ?

 short distance: ok
 nonpert. quark loop structure: okay, a<sup>2</sup> corrections known (Bernard, ...)

test staggered LQCD against experiment

semileptonic B decays at high recoil moving NRQCD (Foley, Lepage)

# $B \rightarrow \pi l v$ at high recoil

✓ moving NRQCD (Foley, et al):

give the B meson momentum  $p_B$ 

write the b quark momentum as

 $p_b{}^{\mu} = m_b u^{\mu} + k^{\mu}$ 

remove  $m_b u^{\mu}$  from the dynamics keep all remaining momenta ( $p_{\pi} k$ , ...) small reduces to regular NRQCD for b quark at rest.

✓ moving relativistic fermions (Boyle, Mackenzie)

### moving NRQCD



# Outlook for the near future ( $\leq 5$ years)

 ✓ lattice results with realistic sea quark effects are here! expect to see a growing number of results for gold plated quantities within the next few years ⇒ ultimate goal: ~ few % errors

> made possible with the improved staggered action (but still need further tests of staggered LQCD)

✓ improved heavy quark actions Fermilab/NRQCD

2-3% accuracy requires 2-loop pert. matching need to redo pert. calculations for the new actions automated pert. theory methods help

> need high precision experimental results in order to test lattice QCD  $\Rightarrow$  CLEO-c for D decays

B decays at high recoil currently: tests of new methods first results within next few years

# Outlook for > 5 years

beyond staggered LQCD:

simulations with realistic sea quark effects using ...

- improved Wilson fermions
- Domain Wall fermions
- Overlap fermions
- Seyond perturbative matching nonperturbative methods developed by ALPHA, APE groups
- Seyond gold-plated quantities
  - $\bullet$  Resonances, e.g.  $\rho \to \pi \, \pi$
  - States near threshold  $\psi(2S)$ ,  $D_s(0^+)$ , etc ...
  - hadronic weak decays, e.g.  $K \rightarrow \pi \pi$

beyond QCD ?

...

new physics will likely include strong interactions