

Weak Hyperon Decays from Lattice QCD

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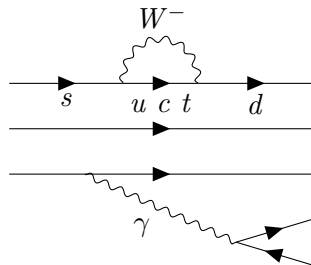
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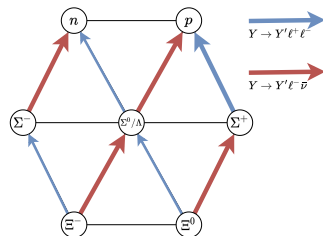
Rare Hyperon Decay

- $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p \ell^+ \ell^-$ is an $s \rightarrow d$ FCNC process
- Sensitive to new physics
- Baryonic equivalent to the rare kaon decay $K \rightarrow \pi \ell^+ \ell^-$
[Felix Erben Fri. 8:30 EDT]



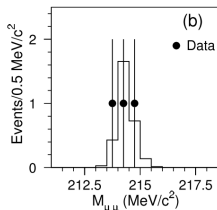
$s \rightarrow u$ Semileptonics

- $\Sigma^- \rightarrow n \ell^- \bar{\nu}$ et al. are $s \rightarrow u$ processes
- Alternate measurement of V_{us}



$s \rightarrow d$ Motivation: Experiment

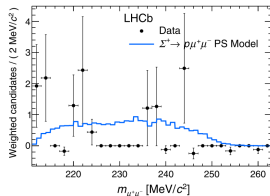
Hyper CP (2005)



- Observed 3 events
- $\mathcal{B}(\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\mu^+\mu^-)_{HCP} = 8.6_{-5.4}^{+6.6} \pm 5.5 \times 10^{-8}$
- Originally thought this could be signal for a new particle of mass $\simeq 214 MeV$

[HyperCP 10.1103/PhysRevLett.94.021801]

LHCb (2018)



- $\mathcal{O}(10)$ events
- $\mathcal{B}(\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\mu^+\mu^-)_{LHCb} = 2.2_{-1.3}^{+1.8} \times 10^{-8}$
- No evidence for new particle
- Interest in improving measurement with the latest data, including first measurement of $\mathcal{B}(\Sigma^+ \rightarrow pe^+e^-)$

[LHCb 10.1103/PhysRevLett.120.221803]

$s \rightarrow d$ Motivation: Theory

- SM prediction from combination of experimental input, unitarity cuts, vector meson dominance and Chiral Perturbation Theory

$$1.6 \times 10^{-8} < \mathcal{B}(\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\mu^+\mu^-) < 9.0 \times 10^{-8}$$

- Short distance contribution $\mathcal{O}(10^{-12})$
- Dominated by the long distance contribution

$$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\gamma^*, \gamma^* \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$$

- Large range mainly coming from different types of ChPT

[X. He 10.1103/PhysRevD.72.074003]

[X. He et al. 10.1007/JHEP10(2018)040]

$s \rightarrow d$ Lattice Theory

- Long distance part $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\gamma^*$ given by amplitude

$$\mathcal{A}_\mu = \langle p | T \{ H_w J_\mu \} | \Sigma \rangle$$

- J_μ : EM current H_w : $s \rightarrow d$ effective weak Hamiltonian

$$H_w(x) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{us}^* V_{ud} [C_1(Q_1^u - Q_1^c) + C_2(Q_2^u - Q_2^c) + \dots] + \text{c.c.}$$

with the 4-quark operators

$$Q_1^q = (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu^L d)(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu^L q) \quad Q_2^q = (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu^L q)(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu^L d)$$

- Form factor decomposition

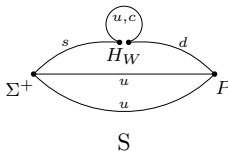
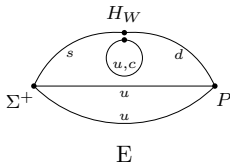
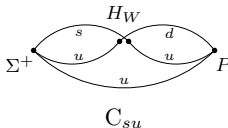
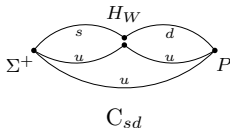
$$\mathcal{A}_\mu = \bar{u}_p \left[(q^2 \gamma_\mu - \not{q} q_\mu) (f_1 + g_1 \gamma_5) + \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu (f_2 + g_2 \gamma_5) \right] u_\Sigma$$

$s \rightarrow d$ Lattice Theory

- Can be extracted from the 4pt correlation function

$$C^4 = \langle \psi_N(\Delta t) H_w(t_H) J_\mu(t_J) \bar{\psi}_\Sigma(0) \rangle$$

- Requires computation of diagrams of the type



[github.com/paboyle/Grid]



[github.com/aportelli/Hadrons]

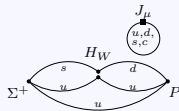
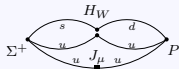
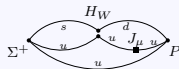
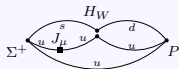
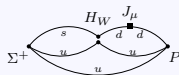
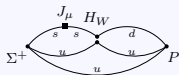
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Including vector current insertions e.g.

- Req



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$s \rightarrow d$ Computational Approach

- Can use method very similar to the rare Kaon decay $K \rightarrow \pi \ell^+ \ell^-$
[Felix Erben Fri. 8:30 EDT] [N. Christ et al. 10.1103/PhysRevD.92.094512]
[N. Christ et al. 10.1103/PhysRevD.94.114516]
- Fix EM current position and integrate t_H in a window around t_J

$$I(T_a, T_b) = \int_{t_J - T_a}^{t_J + T_b} dt_H \langle \psi_N(\Delta t) H_w(t_H) J_\mu(t_J) \bar{\psi}_\Sigma(0) \rangle$$

- Growing exponential contamination in T_a from intermediate states N and $N\pi$ with $E < E_\Sigma$
- Can construct and remove $N\pi$ contribution similarly to $\pi\pi$ state in $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ decay [N. Christ et al. 10.1103/PhysRevD.100.114506]
- Understanding of finite volume corrections from $N\pi$ state in progress

3pt Summed Method

Summed method where operator insertion is summed over all time

[L. Maiani et al. 10.1016/0550-3213(87)90078-2]

[C. Bouchard et al. 10.1103/PhysRevD.96.014504]

$$\begin{aligned}
 I^3(\Delta t) &= \sum_{t=0}^T \langle \psi_f(\Delta t) J(t) \bar{\psi}_i(0) \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{n,m} \left[Z_{0n}^i Z_{m0}^f J_{nm} \frac{1 - e^{-(E_n - E_m)(\Delta t - 1)}}{e^{E_n - E_m} - 1} e^{-E_m \Delta t} \right] \\
 &+ \sum_n \left[Z_{0n}^i Z_{n0}^{fJ} + \sum_l \frac{Z_{0n}^i Z_{nl}^f J_{l0}}{e^{E_l} - 1} \right] e^{-E_n \Delta t} \\
 &+ \sum_m \left[Z_{0m}^{iJ} Z_{m0}^f + \sum_l \frac{J_{0l} Z_{lm}^i Z_{m0}^f}{e^{E_l} - 1} \right] e^{-E_m \Delta t} + \sum_k \cancel{Z_{0k}^i Z_{k0}^f J_{00}} e^{-E_k \Delta t}
 \end{aligned}$$

- First line gives regular linear Δt behaviour for $n = m$ states
- Second and third lines give combination of contact terms ($t = 0$ and $t = \Delta t$) and out of order terms ($t > \Delta t$)

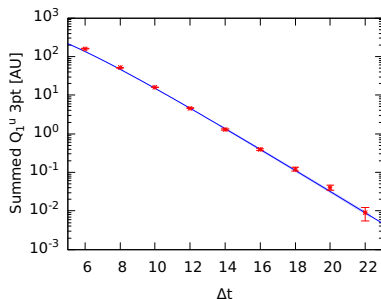
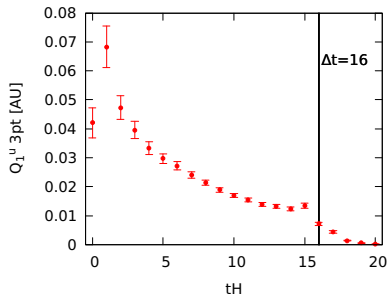
- Can extend the summed method to $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\gamma^*$ 4pt function

$$I_\mu^4(\Delta t) = \int_0^T dt_H \int_0^T dt_J \langle \psi_N(\Delta t) H_w(t_H) J_\mu(t_J) \bar{\psi}_\Sigma(0) \rangle$$

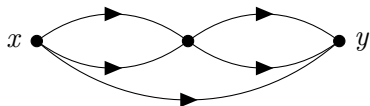
- Get contamination from intermediate states $N, \Sigma, N\pi, \Sigma\pi \dots$
Can in theory be constructed and removed
- Full understanding of contact and out of order terms in progress
- Investigating practicality of this method
- Could benefit both the rare Hyperon and rare Kaon decays

$s \rightarrow d$ Preliminary Results

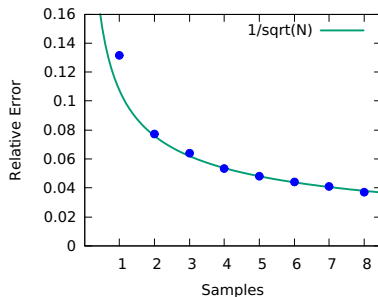
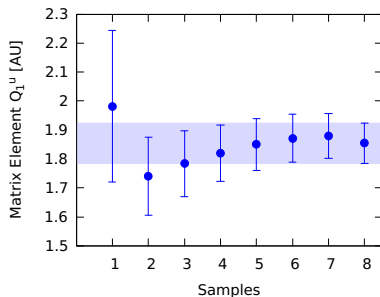
- Working towards a first exploratory calculation of this matrix element on a larger than physical pion mass ensemble
- RBC UKQCD 2 + 1 flavour $24^3 \times 64$ Iwasaki gauge configurations $a^{-1} = 1780 \text{ MeV}$ and $m_\pi \simeq 340 \text{ MeV}$ using Shamir domain wall fermions
- 3pt correlator $\langle \psi_N(\Delta t) H_w(t_H) \bar{\psi}_\Sigma(0) \rangle$ using Gaussian smearing without summing (left) and summed (right)



Source-Sink Sampling



- Positions x and y fixed in solves
- Volume sum for momentum projection requires $\sim 14,000$ solves on $24^3 \times 64$ lattice
- Approximate with sum over N random position samples
- Could get up to $1/N$ error scaling [Y. Li et al. 10.1103/PhysRevD.103.014514]
- Only observe approx. $1/\sqrt{N}$ scaling for this quantity



- Currently best V_{us} measurement from (semi)leptonic Kaon decays $K \rightarrow \ell \bar{\nu}$ and $K \rightarrow \pi \ell \bar{\nu}$: $|V_{us}| = 0.2243(4)$
[Andrew Yong Thur. 12:20 EDT] [\[Particle Data Group 10.1093/ptep/ptaa104\]](#)
- Gives a $\sim 2\sigma$ tension with first row CKM unitarity
- Semileptonic Hyperon octet transitions can give alternative determination of $|V_{us}|$ from the experimental measurements and theory prediction of form factors
- From $SU(3)_F$ symmetry : $|V_{us}| = 0.2250(27)(?)_{SU(3)}$
[\[N. Cabibbo 10.1103/PhysRevLett.92.251803\]](#)
- $SU(3)_F$ breaking required for improved precision

- $Y \rightarrow Y' \ell \bar{\nu}$ hadronic amplitude $\mathcal{A}_\mu = \langle Y' | J_\mu^{s \rightarrow u} | Y \rangle$
where $J_\mu^{s \rightarrow u} = \bar{u} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) s$
- Form factor decomposition

$$\mathcal{A}_\mu = \bar{u}' \left[f_1 \gamma_\mu + f_2 \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{M + M'} + f_3 \frac{q_\mu}{M + M'} \right. \\ \left. + g_1 \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 + g_2 \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu \gamma_5}{M + M'} + g_3 \frac{q_\mu \gamma_5}{M + M'} \right] u$$

- f_1 subject to at most second order SU(3) breaking
- f_3 and $g_2 = 0$ in the SU(3) limit
- f_3 and g_3 terms suppressed in the full amplitude by the charged lepton mass m_ℓ . Therefore negligible in electronic decays but relevant for muonic decays

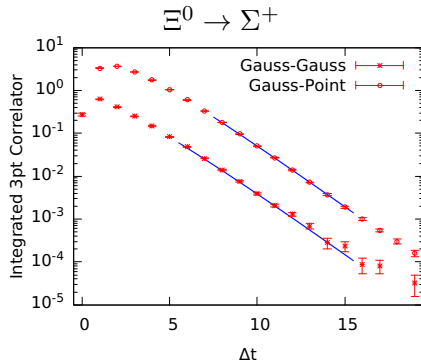
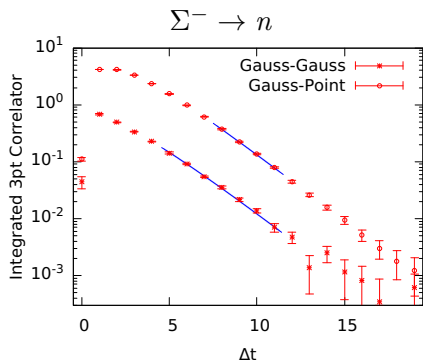
- Using RBC UKQCD $2 + 1$ flavour $48^3 \times 96$ Iwasaki gauge configurations and Möbius domain wall fermions.
 $a^{-1} = 1730 \text{ MeV}$ and $m_\pi \simeq 140 \text{ MeV}$
- Using generalised summed method to reduce cost and improve signal

$$I_\mu^{(3)}(\Delta t) = \sum_t \langle \psi_{Y'}(\Delta t) J_\mu^{s \rightarrow u}(t) \bar{\psi}_Y(0) \rangle$$

- Twisted boundary conditions on the strange quark to achieve $q^2 = 0$ point for the $\Sigma \rightarrow N$ and $\Xi \rightarrow \Sigma$ decays

$s \rightarrow u$ Preliminary Results

- Example integrated 3pt correlators of the temporal component of the current $I_0^{(3)}(\Delta t)$ [arbitrary units]



Summary

- SM prediction of $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\ell^+\ell^-$ is a quantity of interest
- Have a method to compute on the lattice and working towards a calculation at larger than physical pion mass
- Also working on $s \rightarrow u$ hyperon transitions at the physical point

Future outlook

- Compute $s \rightarrow u$ hyperon transitions with second lattice spacing
- Compute $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\ell^+\ell^-$ decay at the physical point



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