

V_{cb} from semileptonic B decays

Theoretical aspects

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 - Calculable using OPE.

Exclusive decay $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\omega} = \sqrt{\omega^2 - 1} f(\omega, m_B, m_{D^*}) |V_{cb} \mathcal{F}(\omega)|^2$$

$$\text{with } q^2 = m_B^2 + m_{D^*}^2 - 2m_B m_{D^*} \omega,$$

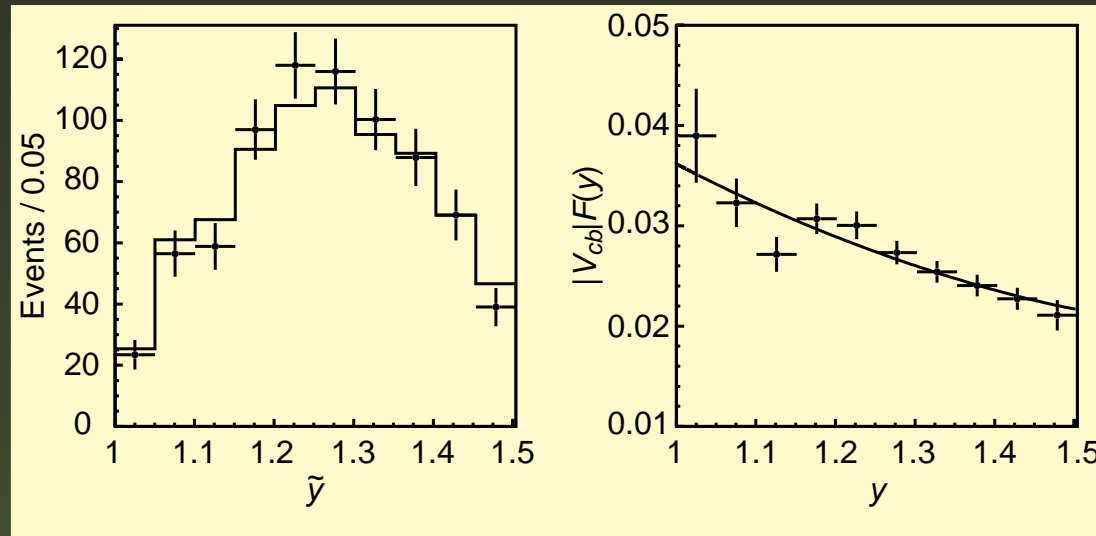
- $\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \xi(\omega) \left[1 + O\left(\frac{\Lambda}{m_Q}\right) + O(\alpha_s) \right]$
- Zero recoil: $\mathcal{F}(1) = \eta_{\text{pert}} \left[1 + O\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{m_Q^2}\right) \right]$

Rate vanishes as $\sqrt{\omega^2 - 1}$ for $\omega \rightarrow 1$.

- Basic strategy:

- *Th.* Supply $\mathcal{F}(1) \rightarrow$ A. Kronfeld's talk.
- *Exp.* Measure $|V_{cb} \mathcal{F}(\omega)|$, extrapolate to $\omega \rightarrow 1$.

Extrapolation to the zero recoil point



Parametrize

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$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \mathcal{F}(1) \left[1 - \hat{\rho}^2(\omega - 1) + c(\omega - 1)^2 + \dots \right]$$

- Unconstrained fit: Number of events needed to reduce the statistical error increases drastically.
- Need theoretical input for the shape of $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$.

Shape of $\mathcal{F}(\omega)$

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \mathcal{F}(1) \left[1 - \hat{\rho}^2(\omega - 1) + c(\omega - 1)^2 + \dots \right]$$

- Unitarity and analyticity correlate $\hat{\rho}$ with c and higher order terms.
- \rightarrow One parameter representation, accuracy better than 2%.

Inclusive determination

Performing the OPE, the total decay rate $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}$ is

$$\Gamma = \frac{G_F^2 m_b^5}{29\pi^3} \left[c_3(x) \left(1 + \frac{\lambda_1 + 3\lambda_2}{2 m_b^2} \right) + c_5(x) \frac{6\lambda_2}{m_b^2} + \dots \right],$$

with $x = m_c/m_b$.

- Coefficients $c_3(x)$ and $c_5(x)$ can be calculated perturbatively (assuming quark hadron duality).
- λ_1, λ_2 : Nonperturbative parameters.
 $4\lambda_2 \approx m_{B^*}^2 - m_B^2$.

Theoretical uncertainties

$$\Gamma = \frac{G_F^2 m_b^5}{192\pi^3} \left[c_3(x) \left(1 + \frac{\lambda_1 + 3\lambda_2}{2m_b^2} \right) + c_5(x) \frac{6\lambda_2}{m_b^2} + \dots \right],$$

- { Large perturbative corrections to c_3 .
Uncertainty of the pole masses m_b and m_c .
- correlated. Appropriate mass definition leads to better behaviour of PT.
- $O(\Lambda^3/m_b^3)$

Moment analysis

Can eliminate pole mass (or $\bar{\Lambda}$) and λ_1 with additional experimental input. Moments of the decay spectrum $\frac{d\Gamma}{dX}$:

$$\langle X^n \rangle = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \int dX \frac{d\Gamma}{dX} X^n$$

- CLEO uses
 - Hadronic mass spectrum of $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}$
 $\langle m_X^2 \rangle \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda}$
 - Photon energy spectrum of $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_s \gamma$:
 $\langle E_\gamma \rangle \rightarrow \lambda_1$
- ... in $\overline{\text{MS}}$ at $O(\alpha_s^2 \beta_0)$