

# Lecture I: Flavour Physics + QCD

- ① Introduction to QCD, symmetries + RG running
- ② Introduction to EFT, RG running of the operators
- ③ Form factor: parameterisations <sup>resummation of large logarithms</sup>
- ④ QCD factorization in B decays <sup>+ non-perturbative calculations</sup>

Introduction to QCD: symmetries and the RGE.

Motivation for colour as a symmetry  $\Omega = (S, S, S)$

To construct antisymmetric wavefunction need a quantum number to distinguish between quarks.

QCD Lagrangian:  $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{\mu\nu a} + \sum_f \bar{q}_f (i\not{D} - m_f) q_f$

$$(D_\nu)_{ab} = \partial_\nu \delta_{ab} + ig T^c A_{\nu}^c$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \underbrace{\bar{u} i\not{D} u + \bar{d} i\not{D} d}_{\text{can be neglected}} - m_u \bar{u} u - m_d \bar{d} d$$

⇒ Conformal symmetry:

Lagrangian is invariant under  $x \rightarrow \lambda x$ ,  $q_f \rightarrow q_f \lambda^{-3/2}$ ,  $A_\nu \rightarrow A_\nu / \lambda$   
 However it is broken at the quantum level by  $\Omega_{\text{QCD}}$ .

⇒ Flavour symmetry:

Lagrangian is invariant for each flavour under  $U(1)_V$   
 $q_f \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} q_f$  and the conserved current  $= J_\nu^f = \bar{q}_f \gamma_\nu q_f$

Further, restricting to u, d quarks, these can be rotated amongst themselves  $q'_f = \Omega_{f'f} q_f$   $\Omega = \exp(i \sum \sigma_i \alpha^i)$

$SU(2)_V$

⇒ Chiral symmetry:  $q'_{fL/R} = \Omega_{f'f}^{L/R} q_{fL/R}$

Vector rotation when  $\alpha_L^i = \alpha_R^i$  and axial  $\alpha_L^i = -\alpha_R^i$

$SU(2)_V$   $SU(2)_A$   $U(1)_V$   $U(1)_A$

broken spontaneously by the quark condensate.

Goldstone boson  $\Rightarrow$  pions

mass non-zero as symmetry not exact.

anomalous, not a symmetry of the quantum theory.

To deal with divergences in loop corrections to Green's functions, need to regularize to have explicit parameterisation of singularities + then renormalize to render them finite.

Regularization generally done by dimensional regularization  
 $\bar{D} = 4 - 2\epsilon$ .

Renormalization to remove divergences: MS/MS scheme.

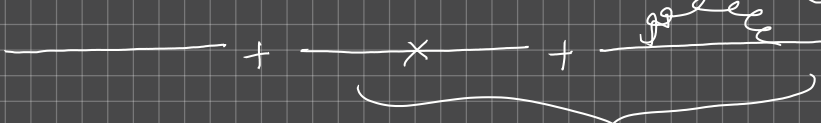
$$A_{0,\mu}^a = Z_A^{1/2} A_\mu^a, \quad q_0 = Z_L^{1/2} q, \quad g_0 = \underbrace{Z_g g_\mu^\epsilon}_{\text{anom}}, \quad m_0 = Z_m m$$

The scale  $\mu$  is introduced so that  $g$  remains dimensionless.

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{q}_0 i \not{\partial} q_0 - m_0 \bar{q}_0 q_0$$

$$\underbrace{\bar{q} i \not{\partial} q - m \bar{q} q}_{\text{renormalized kinetic + mass terms}} + \underbrace{(Z_q^{-1}) \bar{q} i \not{\partial} q - (Z_L Z_m^{-1}) m \bar{q} q}_{\text{counterterms}}$$

Counterterms  $\sim (Z-1)$  can be treated as interaction terms contributing to Green's functions in perturbation theory



$Z_i$  chosen to cancel divergence. divergence cancels.

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu} g(\mu) = \beta(\epsilon, g(\mu)) \quad \frac{d g_0}{d \ln \mu} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow -\epsilon g - g \frac{1}{Z_g} \frac{d Z_g}{d \ln \mu} = \beta(g)$$

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu} m_0 = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu} m(\mu) = -\gamma_m(\mu) m(\mu)$$

$$\frac{1}{Z_m} \frac{d Z_m}{d \ln \mu}$$

The  $\beta$  function and the anomalous dimension of the mass ( $\gamma_m$ ) therefore control the scale dependence of the QCD coupling and the quark mass.

$$\beta(g) = -\beta_0 \frac{g^3}{16\pi^2} - \beta_1 \frac{g^5}{(16\pi^2)^2} \quad \gamma_m(\mu) = \gamma_{m,0} \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} + \gamma_{m,1} \frac{g^4}{(16\pi^2)^2}$$

RGEs can be integrated + we can find explicit results at a specific order in perturbation theory, e.g. at 2 loops

$$\alpha_s(\mu) = \frac{4\pi}{\beta_0 \ln(\mu^2/\Lambda^2)} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0^2} \frac{\ln(\ln(\mu^2/\Lambda^2))}{\ln(\mu^2/\Lambda^2)} \right)$$

$$m(\mu) = m(m) \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\alpha_s(m)} \right)^{\gamma_{m,0}/2\beta_0} \left( 1 + \left( \frac{\gamma_{m,1}}{2\beta_0} - \frac{\beta_1 \gamma_{m,0}}{2\beta_0^2} \right) \frac{\alpha_s(\mu) - \alpha_s(m)}{4\pi} \right)$$

Introduction to EFT:

Reference: Notes on EFT

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Interesting physics at all scales.

Theories become more + more general.

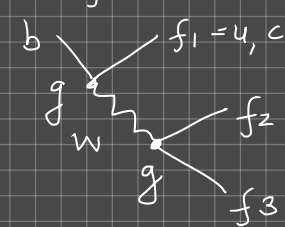
Calculations in more general theories are more complex

EFT: Simplest framework to capture essential physics for a given problem in manner which can be corrected to arbitrary precision.

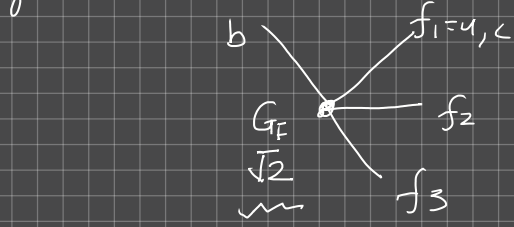
In QFT multiple scales  $\Rightarrow$  taking into account all virtual states is a complicated problem  $\Rightarrow$  perturbation theory may break down due to large logs. EFT provides a solution, general set of frameworks to deal with multiscale problem. Organizational scheme: remove modes in theory which are irrelevant at scale being probed.

The most commonly used EFT in B physics is a Fermi-like theory containing 4-fermion operators, all physics above  $m_b$  integrated out.

For a generic b decay at tree level.

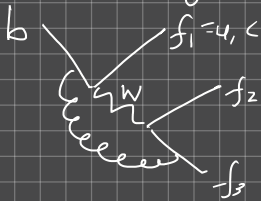


$$\frac{-ig^2}{(p_i - p_f)^2} = \frac{1}{M_W^2} \Rightarrow \frac{+ig^2}{M_W^2}$$

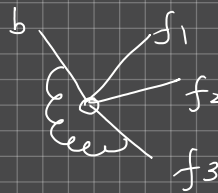


At scales much below the W mass we can ignore external momenta in the propagator  $\Rightarrow$  W boson no longer dynamic and it can be absorbed into an effective coupling  $G_F = \frac{\sqrt{2} g^2}{M_W^2}$  called the Wilson coefficient.  $[G_F] = -2$ .

Full theory



EFT



This correction is finite + contains a large log.  $\sim \frac{\alpha_s(g_s)}{4\pi} \ln\left(\frac{m_W^2}{m_b^2}\right)$   
Must resum these logs.

$$\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{4\pi} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \ln\left(\frac{m_b^2}{\mu^2}\right) \right) + K$$

Solution to RGE

$$\alpha_s(\mu) = \frac{\alpha_s(M_Z)}{1 - \beta_0 \frac{\alpha_s(M_Z)}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{M_Z}{\mu}\right)}$$

Expand in  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$

$$= \alpha_s(M_Z) \left[ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \beta_0 \frac{\alpha_s(M_Z)}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{M_Z}{\mu}\right) \right)^n \right]$$

For a generic Green's function

$$G_{\text{log}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right)^n \sum_{m=0}^n C_m^{(n)} \ln^m \delta \quad \delta = \frac{M_x}{M_y}$$

$$LL \rightarrow \sum_n \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \ln \delta \right)^n$$

$$NLL \rightarrow \sum_n \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right)^n \ln \delta^{n-1}$$

Matching: Demand that IR physics of full theory reproduced by effective theory.

$$C_{4F}(\mu) = G_F \left( 1 + \lambda_1 \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{4\pi} \ln\left(\frac{M_W^2}{m_b^2}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{m_b^2}{\mu^2}\right) + \rho \right) \right)$$

$$\left( \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} + \gamma_{\Theta_{4F}} \right) \Theta_{4F}^R = 0$$

$$\gamma_{\Theta_{4F}} = \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left( -\delta_{\Theta_{4F}} + \frac{\delta_2}{2} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{4\alpha_s}{34\pi} \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

$$\rightarrow -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \lambda_1 \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}$$

The solution to the RG equations:

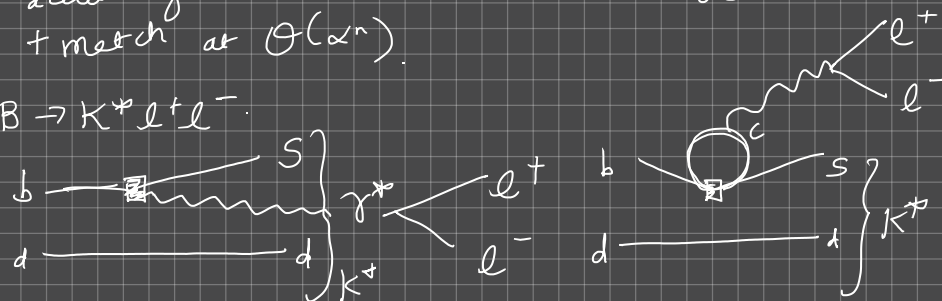
$$\Theta_{4F}^R(\mu) = \Theta_{4F}^R(\mu_0) \exp \left( \int_{g(\mu_0)}^{g(\mu)} \frac{dg}{g} \frac{\gamma_{\Theta_{4F}}(g)}{\beta(g)} \right)$$

$$\Theta_{4F}^R(M_N) = \Theta_{4F}^R(m_b) \left( \frac{\ln(M_N^2/\Lambda^2)}{\ln(m_b^2/\Lambda^2)} \right)^{A_1/2\beta_0}$$

This result is at Leading log order (LL)  $\frac{\gamma_{\Theta_{4F}} = \alpha_s A_1}{4\pi}$   
 For NLL need running at 2-loops.

For accuracy at  $\alpha^n$  need to run at order  $n+1$  + match at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^n)$ .

$B \rightarrow K^* e^+ e^-$



For full list of operators see hep-ph/9612313  
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