

# **Opportunities with B\_c semileptonic decays**

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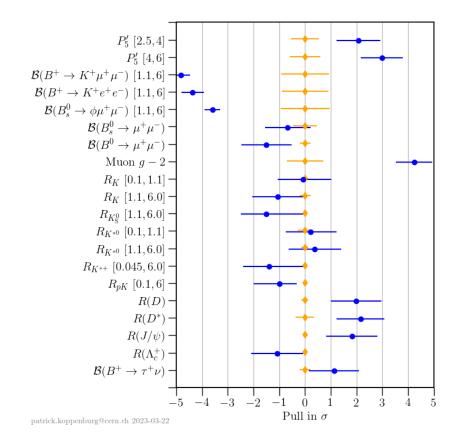
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# Outline

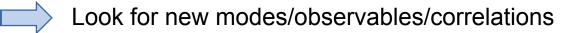
- Semileptonic B<sub>c</sub> decays: motivations
- Spin symmetry + NRQCD : relations among FF in the SM and BSM
- Application to  $B_c \rightarrow J/\psi$  and  $B_c \rightarrow \eta_c$  form factors
- Application to  $B_c$  to P-wave charmonia and insights on X(3872)
- Other semileptonic  $B_c$  decays:  $c \rightarrow s$ , d transitions
- Summary

# **Motivations**



### $\blacktriangleright$ b $\rightarrow$ c transitions

- Precisely measure  $|V_{cb}|$ : insights on the tension from inclusive/exclusive determinations
- Anomalies shown up in modes induced by b  $\rightarrow$  c  $\,\ell\,\nu_\ell$  transition



- > other quark-level transitions (e.g.  $c \rightarrow s,d$ )
- do anomalies show up?



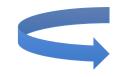
Look for new modes/observables/correlations



- discovered at Tevatron in 1998
- m<sub>Bc</sub>=6.274.47 +/- 0.27 +/- 0.17 GeV
- $\tau_{Bc}$ =0.510 +/- 0.009 ps
- decays weakly
- possible modes: annihilation, b transitions, c transitions (dominant)

### **Motivations:**

- 1. explore BSM effects
- 2.  $B_c \rightarrow$  charmonium: probe the structure of the charmonia produced in the decay



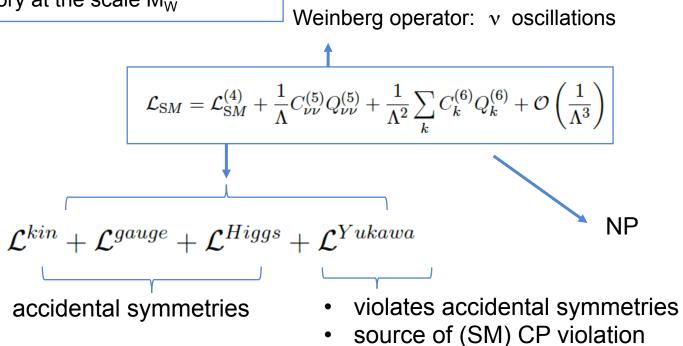
control of theoretical uncertainties in phenomenological analyses requires reliable determination of the hadronic form factors

possibility to exploit NRQCD methods + HQ spin symmetry

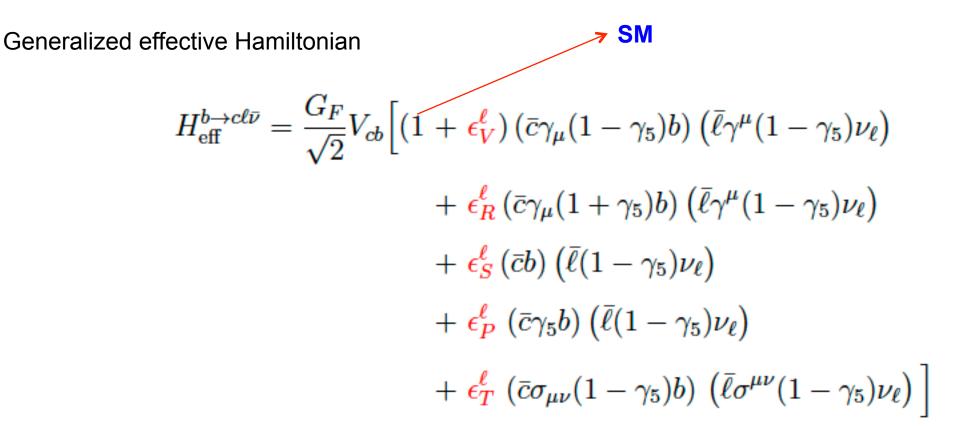
### Explore BSM effects: SMEFT $\rightarrow$ systematic extension of the SM

- NP exists at a high scale  $\Lambda >> M_W$
- NP gauge group contains the SM group
- SM gauge fields contained
- SM an effective theory at the scale  $M_W$

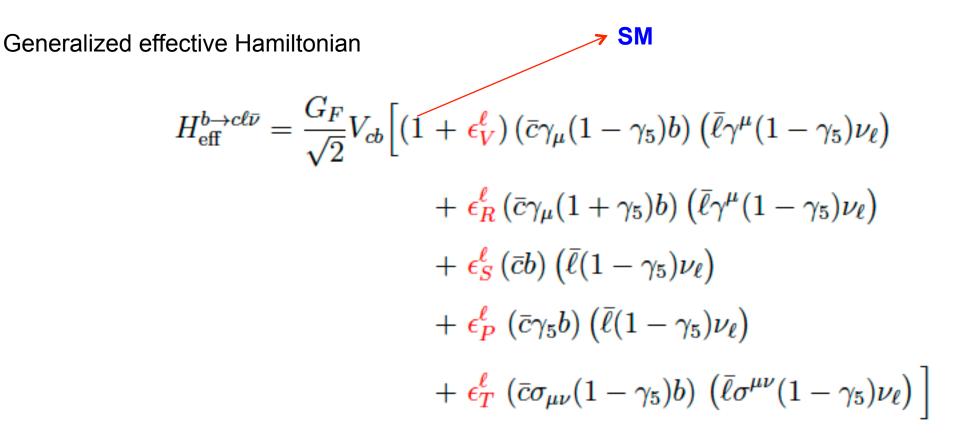
Buchmuller et al,NPB 268 (1986) 621 Grzadkowski et al., JHEP 10 (2010) 085



fermion mass terms



complex lepton flavour dependent couplings



larger set of form factors required wrt the SM case

complex lepton flavour dependent couplings >  $B_c \rightarrow \eta_c$ , J/ $\psi$  1S-wave charmonia J<sup>PC</sup>=(0<sup>--</sup>,1<sup>--</sup>)

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 $\rightarrow$  question: can X(3872) be identified with  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$  ?

# A few details on X(3872)

### X(3872)

- discovered by Belle in 2003, confirmed by CDF, D0, BaBar,...
- in 2015 LHCb:  $J^{P}=1^{++}$  candidate for identification with  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$

- ....

- other possible interpretations tetraquark
   D D<sup>\*</sup> molecule (proximity to the threshold)
- isospin violation disfavours the charmonium interpretation (but phase space suppression is at work)
- the preference of  $\psi(2S) \gamma$  wrt J/  $\psi \gamma$  favours the interpretation as  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$

look for further information:

does X(3872) fulfill the expectations for the production of  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$  in semileptonic B<sub>c</sub> decays?

# Semileptonic $B_c$ decays to charmonium

$$B_c \to J/\psi$$
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### HQ spin symmetry in B<sub>c</sub> decays

HQ limit: decoupling of the HQ

- Heavy-light mesons  $\rightarrow$  HQ spin & flavour symmetry
- Heavy-heavy mesons  $\rightarrow$  HQ spin symmetry

relations among the FF in selected kinematical ranges

Heavy-light mesons:

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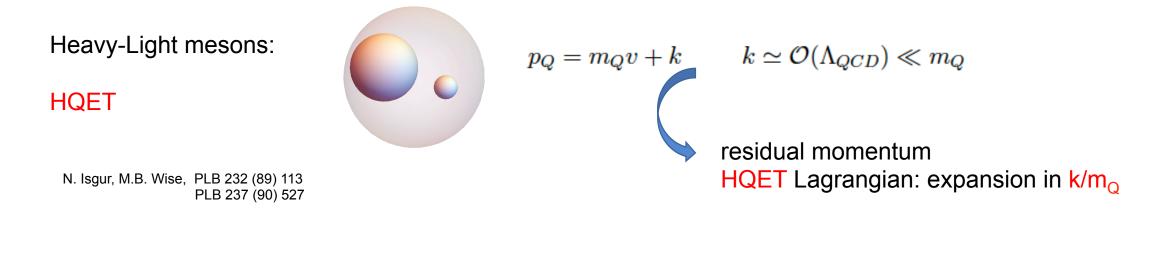
FF of weak matrix elements between heavy-light mesons are all described by the lsgur-Wise function

Heavy-heavy meson decays

IR divergent for 2 HQs with the same v

- Infrared divergences regulated in the HQ limit by the kinetic energy operator  $O_{\pi}$ ٠  $O_{\pi}$  breaks flavour symmetry  $\rightarrow$  only spin symmetry
- Thacker and Lepage, PRD43 (1991) 196

### Systems with heavy quarks: effective theories at work





NRQCD

non relativistic quarks relative velocity  $\tilde{v}$ 

NRQCD Lagrangian: expansion in  $1/m_Q$  terms further organized: expansion in powers of  $\tilde{v}$ 

W.E. Caswell, G.P. Lepage, PLB 167 (86) 437 G.T. Bodwin, E. Braaten, G.P. Lepage, PRD51 (95) 1125

different power counting

see also: A.Gunawardana and G.Paz, JHEP07(2017) 137

• expansion parameters for a system with 2 Heavy Quarks: 1. relative HQ 3-velocity (hadron rest-frame) (NRQCD)

2. inverse HQ mass  $1/m_Q$  (HQET)

• HQ field:

$$Q(x) = e^{-im_Q v \cdot x} \psi(x) = e^{-im_Q v \cdot x} \left( \psi_+(x) + \psi_-(x) \right) \qquad \qquad \psi_\pm(x) = P_\pm \psi(x) = \frac{1 \pm \psi}{2} \psi(x)$$

$$Q(x) = e^{-i m_Q v \cdot x} \left( 1 + \frac{i \not{D}_\perp}{2m_Q} + \frac{(-iv \cdot D)}{2m_Q} \frac{i \not{D}_\perp}{2m_Q} + \dots \right) \psi_+(x) \qquad D_{\perp \mu} = D_\mu - (v \cdot D) v_\mu$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \bar{\psi}_{+}(x) \left( iv \cdot D + \frac{(iD_{\perp})^2}{2m_Q} + \frac{g}{4m_Q} \sigma \cdot G_{\perp} + \frac{i\not{D}_{\perp}}{2m_Q} \frac{(-iv \cdot D)}{2m_Q} (i\not{D}_{\perp}) + \dots \right) \psi_{+}(x)$$

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power counting in NRQCD

$$\psi_{+} \sim \tilde{v}^{3/2}$$

$$D_{\perp} \sim \tilde{v} \qquad D_{t} \sim \tilde{v}^{2}$$

$$E_{i} = G_{0i} \sim \tilde{v}^{3} \qquad B_{i} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} G^{jk} \sim \tilde{v}^{4}$$

 $\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \bar{\psi}_{+}(x) \left( iv \cdot D + \frac{(iD_{\perp})^{2}}{2m_{Q}} + \frac{g}{4m_{Q}} \sigma \cdot G_{\perp} + \frac{i\not{\!\!D}_{\perp}}{2m_{Q}} \frac{(-iv \cdot D)}{2m_{Q}} (i\not{\!\!D}_{\perp}) + \dots \right) \psi_{+}(x)$   $\mathcal{O}(\tilde{v}^{2}) \text{ LO} \qquad \qquad \mathcal{O}(\tilde{v}^{4}) \text{ NLO}$   $\mathcal{L}_{0} = \bar{\psi}_{+}(x) \left( iv \cdot D + \frac{(iD_{\perp})^{2}}{2m_{Q}} \right) \psi_{+}(x) \qquad \qquad \qquad \mathcal{L}_{1} = \mathcal{L}_{1,1} + \mathcal{L}_{1,2}$ 

Lepage et al., PRD46 (92) 4052

$$\langle C|\bar{Q}'\Gamma Q|B_c\rangle$$

$$C = \eta_c, \ J/\psi$$
  $C = \chi_{c0}, \ \chi_{c1}, \ \chi_{c2}, \ h_c$ 

follow the same steps as for heavy-light mesons

Falk & Neubert, PRD47 (93) 2965

I. expand the current:

$$\bar{Q}'(x)\Gamma Q(x) = J_0 + \left(\frac{J_{1,0}}{2m_Q} + \frac{J_{0,1}}{2m_{Q'}}\right) + \left(-\frac{J_{2,0}}{4m_Q^2} - \frac{J_{0,2}}{4m_{Q'}^2} + \frac{J_{1,1}}{4m_Q m_{Q'}}\right)$$

$$J_{0} = \bar{\psi}_{+}^{\prime} \Gamma \psi_{+}$$

$$J_{1,0} = \bar{\psi}_{+}^{\prime} \Gamma i \overrightarrow{D}_{\perp} \psi_{+}$$

$$J_{0,1} = \bar{\psi}_{+}^{\prime} \left( -i \overleftarrow{D}_{\perp}^{\prime} \right) \Gamma \psi_{+}$$

$$J_{2,0} = \bar{\psi}_{+}^{\prime} \Gamma \left( iv \cdot \overrightarrow{D} \right) i \overrightarrow{D}_{\perp} \psi_{+}$$

$$J_{0,2} = \bar{\psi}_{+}^{\prime} i \overleftarrow{D}_{\perp}^{\prime} \left( iv^{\prime} \cdot \overleftarrow{D} \right) \Gamma \psi_{+}$$

$$J_{1,1} = \bar{\psi}_{+}^{\prime} \left( -i \overleftarrow{D}_{\perp}^{\prime} \right) \Gamma \left( i \overrightarrow{D}_{\perp} \right) \psi_{+}$$

II: exploit spin symmetry:

doublet of negative parity states:

$$(B_c, B_c^*) \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}(v) = P_+(v) \left[ B_c^{*\mu} \gamma_\mu - B_c \gamma_5 \right] P_-(v)$$
$$(\eta_c, J/\psi) \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}'(v') = P_+(v') \left[ \Psi^{*\mu} \gamma_\mu - \eta_c \gamma_5 \right] P_-(v')$$

4-plet of positive parity states 
$$(\chi_{c0,1,2}, h_c)$$
  

$$\int \mathcal{M}^{\prime\mu}(v') = P_+(v') \left[ \chi^{\mu\nu}_{c2} \gamma_{\nu} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \chi_{c1,\gamma} \epsilon^{\mu\alpha\beta\gamma} v'_{\alpha} \gamma_{\beta} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \chi_{c0} (\gamma^{\mu} - v'^{\mu}) + h^{\mu}_{c} \gamma_{5} \right] P_-(v') \qquad v'_{\mu} \mathcal{M}^{\prime\mu} = 0$$

analogous for 2P charmonia

III. trace formalism:

$$\langle C|\bar{Q}'\Gamma D_{\mu_1}D_{\mu_2}\dots Q|B_c\rangle = -\mathrm{Tr}\Big[\mathcal{F}_{\mu\,\mu_1\mu_2\dots}\bar{\mathcal{M}}'^{\mu}\Gamma\mathcal{M}\Big]$$

universal functions: the same for all the members of the multiplet of final states

relations among the various modes

III. trace formalism: at LO in the HQ expansion all the matrix elements involve a single universal function

$$\langle M'(v')|J_0|M(v)\rangle = -\Xi(w)v_{\mu}\operatorname{Tr}\left[\overline{\mathcal{M}}'^{\mu}\Gamma\mathcal{M}\right]$$

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O(1/m<sub>Q</sub>)

$$\langle M'(v') | \bar{\psi}'_{+} \Gamma i \overrightarrow{D}_{\alpha} \psi_{+} | M(v) \rangle = -\operatorname{Tr} \left[ \Sigma^{(b)}_{\mu\alpha} \overline{\mathcal{M}}'^{\mu} \Gamma \mathcal{M} \right]$$
$$\langle M'(v') | \bar{\psi}'_{+} (-i \overleftarrow{D}_{\alpha}) \Gamma \psi_{+} | M(v) \rangle = -\operatorname{Tr} \left[ \Sigma^{(c)}_{\mu\alpha} \overline{\mathcal{M}}'^{\mu} \Gamma \mathcal{M} \right]$$

$$\Sigma_{\mu\alpha}^{(Q)} = \Sigma_1^{(Q)} g_{\mu\alpha} + \Sigma_2^{(Q)} v_{\mu} v_{\alpha} + \Sigma_3^{(Q)} v_{\mu} v_{\alpha}' + \Sigma_4^{(Q)} v_{\mu} \gamma_{\alpha} + \Sigma_5^{(Q)} \gamma_{\mu} v_{\alpha} + \Sigma_6^{(Q)} \gamma_{\mu} v_{\alpha}' + \Sigma_7^{(Q)} i \sigma_{\mu\alpha} v_{\alpha}' + \Sigma_7^{(Q)} i \sigma_{\mu\alpha} v_{\alpha}' + \Sigma_7^{(Q)} v_{\alpha} v_{\alpha}' + \Sigma_7^{(Q)} v_{\alpha} v_{\alpha}' + \Sigma_7^{(Q)} v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' + \Sigma_7^{(Q)} v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' + \Sigma_7^{(Q)} v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}' + \Sigma_7^{(Q)} v_{\alpha}' v_{\alpha}$$

constraints:

$$\begin{split} \Sigma_i^{(b)}(w) &- \Sigma_i^{(c)}(w) = 0 \qquad i = 1, 4, 5, 6, 7\\ \Sigma_2^{(b)}(w) &- \Sigma_2^{(c)}(w) = \tilde{\Lambda} \Xi ,\\ \Sigma_3^{(b)}(w) &- \Sigma_3^{(c)}(w) = -\tilde{\Lambda}' \Xi(w) . \end{split}$$

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 $O(1/m_Q)^2$ 

$$\langle M'(v') | \bar{\psi}'_{+} \Gamma \, i \, \overrightarrow{D}_{\alpha} \, i \, \overrightarrow{D}_{\beta} \, \psi_{+} | M(v) \rangle = - \operatorname{Tr} \left[ \Omega^{(b)}_{\mu\alpha\beta} \, \overline{\mathcal{M}}'^{\mu} \, \Gamma \, \mathcal{M} \right]$$

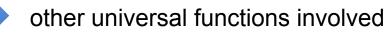
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constraints:

$$\Omega^{(b)}_{\mu\alpha\beta} - \Omega^{(c)}_{\mu\alpha\beta} = \left(\tilde{\Lambda} \, v_{\alpha} - \tilde{\Lambda}' \, v_{\alpha}'\right) \Sigma^{(b)}_{\mu\beta} + \left(\tilde{\Lambda} \, v_{\beta} - \tilde{\Lambda}' \, v_{\beta}'\right) \Sigma^{(c)}_{\mu\alpha}$$

other corrections from the expansion of the states (non-local corrections)

$$\begin{split} \langle M'(v')|i \int \mathrm{d}^4 x \,\mathrm{T}\left[J_0(0), \mathcal{L}_1(x)\right] |M(v)\rangle &= \\ -\frac{1}{4 \, m_b} \underbrace{\left(-\frac{i}{2}\right) \,\mathrm{Tr}\left[\Upsilon_{2\mu\alpha\beta}^{(b)} \,\overline{\mathcal{M}}'^{\mu} \,\Gamma \,P_+ \,\sigma^{\alpha\beta} \,\mathcal{M}\right]}_{G^{(b)}} - \frac{1}{2 \, m_b^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{Tr}\left[\Upsilon_{1\mu}^{(b)} \,\overline{\mathcal{M}}'^{\mu} \,\Gamma \,\mathcal{M}\right]}_{K^{(b)}}, \\ \langle M'(v')|i \int \mathrm{d}^4 x \,\mathrm{T}\left[J_0(0), \mathcal{L}_1'(x)\right] |M(v)\rangle &= \\ -\frac{1}{4 \, m_c} \underbrace{\left(-\frac{i}{2}\right) \,\mathrm{Tr}\left[\Upsilon_{2\mu\alpha\beta}^{(c)} \,\overline{\mathcal{M}}'^{\mu} \,\sigma^{\alpha\beta} \,P_+' \,\Gamma \,\mathcal{M}\right]}_{G^{(c)}} - \frac{1}{2 \, m_c^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{Tr}\left[\Upsilon_{1\mu}^{(c)} \,\overline{\mathcal{M}}'^{\mu} \,\Gamma \,\mathcal{M}\right]}_{K^{(c)}}, \end{split}$$

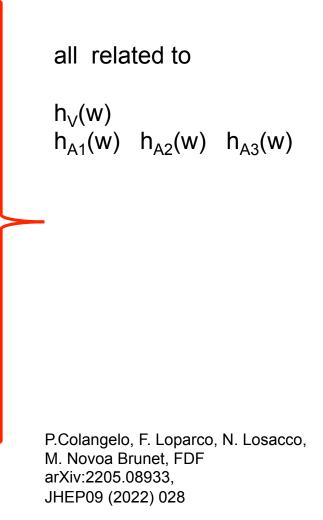


• relations among the form factors of the same decay mode

$$B_{c} \rightarrow J/\psi \qquad h_{T_{1}}(w) = \frac{1}{2} \Big( (1+w)h_{A_{1}}(w) - (w-1)h_{V}(w) \Big) h_{T_{2}}(w) = \frac{1+w}{2(m_{b}+3m_{c})} \Big( (m_{b}-3m_{c})h_{A_{1}}(w) + 2m_{c}(h_{A_{2}}(w) + h_{A_{3}}(w)) - (m_{b}-m_{c})h_{V}(w) \Big) h_{T_{3}}(w) = h_{A_{3}}(w) - h_{V}(w) h_{P}(w) = \frac{1}{m_{b}+3m_{c}} \Big( (1+w) (m_{b}h_{A_{1}}(w) + 2m_{c}h_{V}(w)) + (-m_{b}+(w-2)m_{c})h_{A_{2}}(w) - (w m_{b}+(2w-1)m_{c})h_{A_{3}}(w) \Big)$$

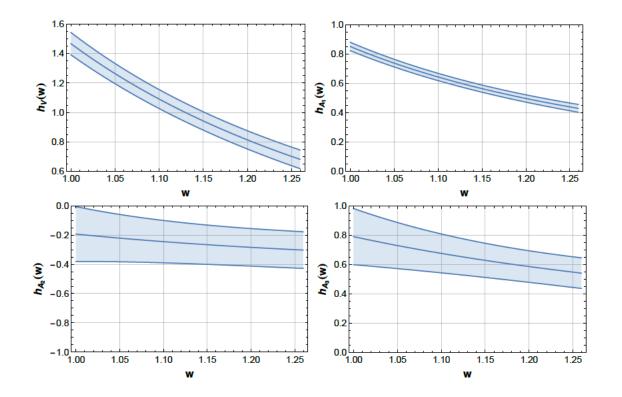
$$B_c \to \eta_c$$

$$h_{-}(w) = \frac{m_{b} - m_{c}}{2(m_{b} + 3m_{c})} (1 + w) \Big( 3h_{A_{1}}(w) - h_{A_{2}}(w) - h_{A_{3}}(w) - 2h_{V}(w) \Big)$$
$$h_{T}(w) - h_{+}(w) = -\frac{m_{b} + m_{c}}{2(m_{b} + 3m_{c})} (1 + w) \Big( 3h_{A_{1}}(w) - h_{A_{2}}(w) - h_{A_{3}}(w) - 2h_{V}(w) \Big)$$
$$h_{T}(w) - h_{S}(w) = -\frac{m_{b} + m_{c}}{(m_{b} + 3m_{c})} \Big( 3h_{A_{1}}(w) - h_{A_{2}}(w) - h_{A_{3}}(w) - 2h_{V}(w) \Big).$$



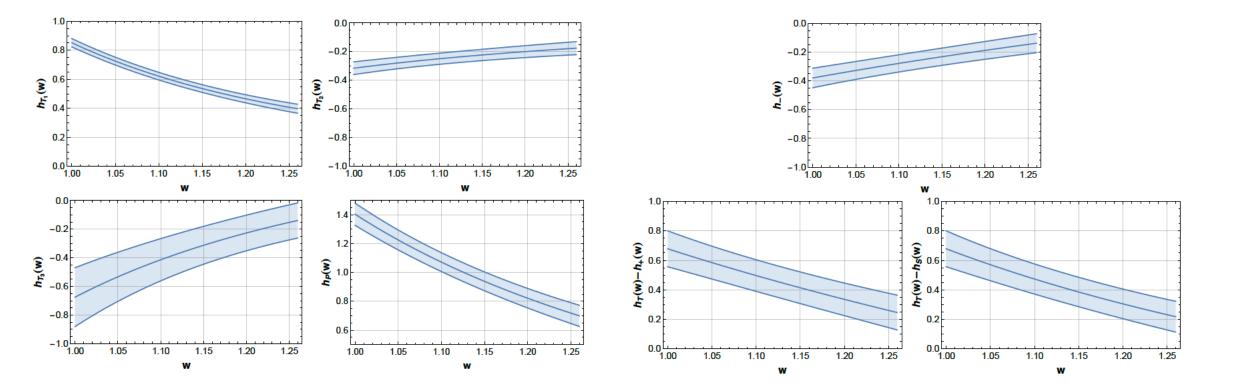
#### available lattice results

HPQCD Collab. PRD 102 (2020) 094518 arXiv:2007.06957



results

 $B_c \to J/\psi$ 



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 $B_{c}$ 

• relations among the form factors of the same decay mode

•  $B_c \to \chi_{c0}$ 

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$$g_{T}(w) = -\frac{1}{w+1} [2g_{-}(w) + g_{P}(w)]$$
•  $B_{c} \to \chi_{c1}$ 

$$g_{T_{2}}(w) = -\frac{1}{2} [g_{V_{1}}(w) - (1+w)g_{A}(w)]$$

$$g_{T_{3}}(w) = -\frac{1}{2(w-1)} [g_{V_{1}}(w) + 4g_{V_{2}}(w)] + \frac{1}{2}g_{A}(w) + \frac{1}{w-1} [g_{S}(w) + g_{T_{1}}(w)]$$
•  $B_{c} \to \chi_{c2}$ 

$$k_{T_{1}}(w) = -wk_{V}(w) + k_{A_{2}}(w) + wk_{A_{3}}(w) + k_{P}(w)$$

$$k_{T_{2}}(w) = k_{V}(w) - k_{A_{1}}(w) - k_{A_{2}}(w) - wk_{A_{3}}(w) - k_{P}(w)$$

$$k_{T_{3}}(w) = -k_{V}(w) + k_{A_{3}}(w)$$
•  $B_{c} \to h_{c}$ 

$$f_{T_{2}}(w) = \frac{1}{2} [f_{V_{1}}(w) + (1+w)f_{A}(w)]$$

$$f_{T_{3}}(w) = \frac{1}{2(w-1)} [f_{V_{1}}(w) + 4f_{V_{2}}(w)] + \frac{1}{2}f_{A}(w) - \frac{1}{w-1} [f_{S}(w) - f_{T_{1}}(w)]$$

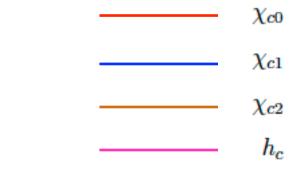
# $B_c \rightarrow (\chi_{c0}, \chi_{c1}, \chi_{c2}, h_c)$ Form Factors in the effective theory: relations at O(1/m<sub>Q</sub>)

• relations among the form factors of pairs of decay modes

• 
$$\begin{split} B_c &\to \chi_{c0} \text{ and } B_c \to \chi_{c1} \\ &(w+1)g_+(w) - (w-1)g_-(w) + g_P(w) = \\ &\frac{w+1}{\sqrt{6}} \{ 2g_{V_1}(w) + (w+1)g_{V_2}(w) - (w-1) [g_{V_3}(w) + g_A(w)] - g_S(w) + 2g_{T_1}(w) \} \\ \bullet & B_c \to h_c \text{ and } B_c \to \chi_{c1} \\ &f_{V_1}(w) + (w-1)f_A(w) - 2f_{T_1}(w) = \\ &\sqrt{2} \{ g_{V_1}(w) + (w+1)g_{V_2}(w) - (w-1)g_{V_3}(w) - g_S(w) \} \\ &3f_{V_1}(w) + 2(w+1)f_{V_2}(w) - (w-1) [2f_{V_3}(w) - f_A(w)] - 2[f_S(w) + f_{T_1}(w)] = \\ &\sqrt{2} \{ g_{V_1}(w) - (w-1)g_A(w) + 2g_{T_1}(w) \} \end{split}$$

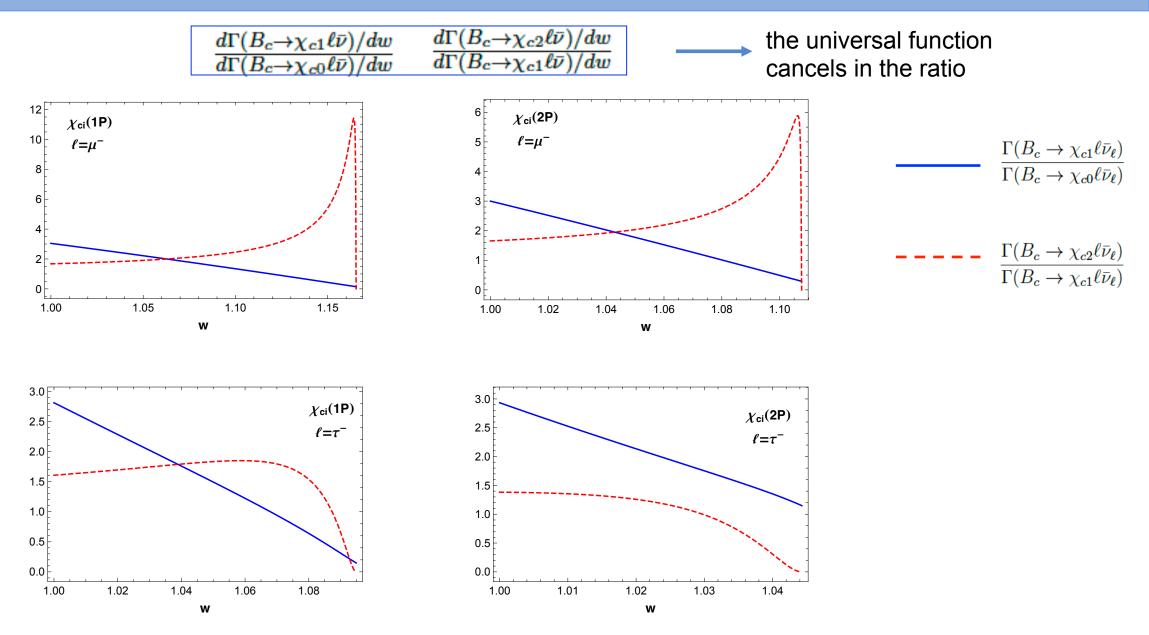
# $B_c \rightarrow (\chi_{c0}, \chi_{c1}, \chi_{c2}, h_c)$ Form Factors in the effective theory: relations at LO

 $egin{aligned} g_+(w) &= 0 \ g_S(w) &= g_{T_1}(w) = 0 \ k_{A_2}(w) &= k_{T_3}(w) = 0 \ f_{V_1}(w) &= f_{V_3}(w) = f_A(w) = f_{T_1}(w) = f_{T_2}(w) = 0 \end{aligned}$ 



$$\begin{split} \Xi(w) &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{(w+1)}g_{-}(w) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{(w+1)}g_{T}(w) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{(w^{2}-1)}g_{P}(w) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(w^{2}-1)}g_{V_{1}}(w) = -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{(w-1)}g_{V_{2}}(w) = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{(w+1)}g_{V_{3}}(w) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(w+1)}g_{A}(w) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(w+1)}g_{T_{2}}(w) \\ &= -k_{V}(w) = \frac{1}{w+1}k_{A_{1}}(w) = -k_{A_{3}}(w) = -k_{P}(w) = -k_{T_{1}}(w) = -k_{T_{2}}(w) \\ &= -f_{V_{1}}(w) = -f_{V_{2}}(w) = -\frac{1}{w+1}f_{S}(w) = f_{T_{3}}(w) \end{split}$$

 $B_{c} \rightarrow (\chi_{c0}, \chi_{c1}, \chi_{c2}, h_{c})$  exploiting FF relations at LO

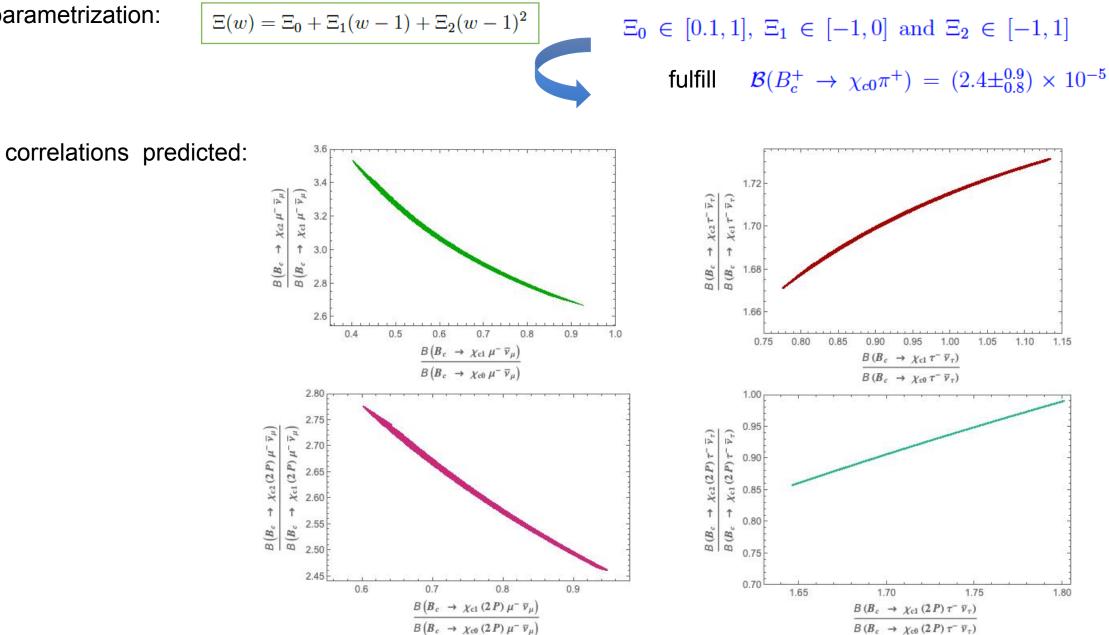


• constraint at LO both in SM and for generic NP

$$2\frac{d\Gamma}{dw}(B_c \to \chi_{c0}\ell\bar{\nu}_\ell) + \frac{d\Gamma}{dw}(B_c \to \chi_{c1}\ell\bar{\nu}_\ell) - \frac{d\Gamma}{dw}(B_c \to \chi_{c2}\ell\bar{\nu}_\ell) = 0.$$
  
to be satisfied by the three members of the 4-plet

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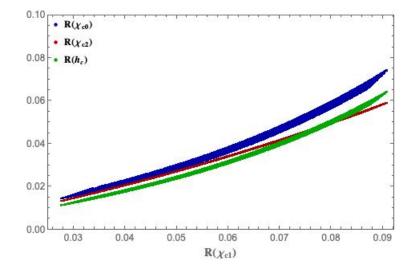


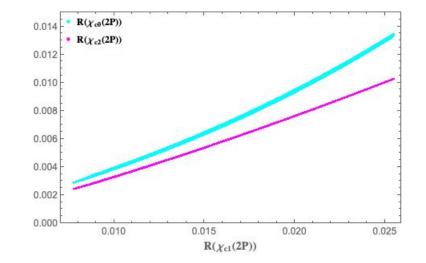
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### tests of LFU:

$$R(C) = \frac{\Gamma(B_c \to C\tau\bar{\nu}_{\tau})}{\Gamma(B_c \to C\mu\bar{\nu}_{\mu})}$$





# $Bc \rightarrow (\chi_{c0}, \chi_{c1}, \chi_{c2}, h_c)$ exploiting FF relations at NLO

At NLO the number of universal functions increase. However:

- they enter in different modes, model independent predictions
- can be used also in other processes
- model independent: tests of direct computations (should satisfy the effective theory predictions)
- Once reliable determinations for a few form factors are available (i.e. by lattice QCD) the others are predicted
- a reduced number of structures contributes close to w=1:

$$\begin{split} \lim_{w \to 1} \frac{1}{\tilde{\Gamma}} \frac{d\Gamma}{dw} (B_c \to \chi_{c0} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}) &= 18 \, \hat{m}_{\ell}^2 (\epsilon_b + \epsilon_c)^2 \Big[ \Sigma_{\chi_{c1},1}^{(b)}(1) \Big]^2 \\ \lim_{w \to 1} \frac{1}{\tilde{\Gamma}} \frac{d\Gamma}{dw} (B_c \to \chi_{c1} \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}) &= 12 \Big[ 2(1 - r_1)^2 + \hat{m}_{\ell}^2 \Big] \Big[ \epsilon_b \Sigma_{\chi_{c1},1}^{(b)}(1) - \epsilon_c \Sigma_{\chi_{c1},1}^{(c)}(1) \Big]^2 \\ \lim_{w \to 1} \frac{1}{\tilde{\Gamma}} \frac{d\Gamma}{dw} (B_c \to h_c \ell \bar{\nu}_{\ell}) &= 6 \Big[ 2(1 - r_h)^2 + \hat{m}_{\ell}^2 \Big] \Big[ (\epsilon_b - \epsilon_c) \Sigma_{\chi_{c1},1}^{(b)}(1) + 2\epsilon_c \Sigma_{\chi_{c1},1}^{(c)}(1) \Big]^2 \\ \epsilon_b &= \frac{1}{2m_b} \qquad \epsilon_c = \frac{1}{2m_c} \end{split}$$

if X(3872) is  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$  these relations should be fulfilled (hard task...)

Semileptonic  $B_c$  decays:  $c \rightarrow s,d$  transitions

 $\bm{B_c} \rightarrow \bm{B_{s,d}}$ 

$$\begin{split} \langle P(p') | \bar{q} \gamma_{\mu} Q | B_{c}(p) \rangle &= f_{+}^{B_{c} \to P}(q^{2}) \left( p_{\mu} + p'_{\mu} - \frac{m_{B_{c}}^{2} - m_{P}^{2}}{q^{2}} q_{\mu} \right) + f_{0}^{B_{c} \to P}(q^{2}) \frac{m_{B_{c}}^{2} - m_{P}^{2}}{q^{2}} q_{\mu} , \\ \langle P(p') | \bar{q} Q | B_{c}(p) \rangle &= f_{S}^{B_{c} \to P}(q^{2}) , \\ \langle P(p') | \bar{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} Q | B_{c}(p) \rangle &= -i \frac{2 f_{T}^{B_{c} \to P}(q^{2})}{m_{B_{c}} + m_{P}} \left( p_{\mu} p'_{\nu} - p_{\nu} p'_{\mu} \right) , \\ \langle P(p') | \bar{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \gamma_{5} Q | B_{c}(p) \rangle &= -\frac{2 f_{T}^{B_{c} \to P}(q^{2})}{m_{B_{c}} + m_{P}} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p^{\alpha} p'^{\beta} \end{split}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{c} \rightarrow \mathbf{B}_{s,d}^{*} \qquad \langle V(p',\epsilon) | \bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}Q | B_{c}(p) \rangle = -\frac{2V^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2})}{m_{B_{c}} + m_{V}} i\epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\epsilon^{*\nu}p^{\alpha}p'^{\beta}, \\ \langle V(p',\epsilon) | \bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_{5}Q | B_{c}(p) \rangle = (m_{B_{c}} + m_{V}) \left(\epsilon_{\mu}^{*} - \frac{(\epsilon^{*} \cdot q)}{q^{2}}q_{\mu}\right) A_{1}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}) - \frac{(\epsilon^{*} \cdot q)}{m_{B_{c}} + m_{V}} \left((p + p')_{\mu} - \frac{m_{B_{c}}^{2} - m_{V}^{2}}{q^{2}}q_{\mu}\right) A_{2}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}) \\ + (\epsilon^{*} \cdot q) \frac{2m_{V}}{q^{2}}q_{\mu}A_{0}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}), \\ \langle V(p',\epsilon) | \bar{q}\gamma_{5}Q | B_{c}(p) \rangle = -\frac{2m_{V}}{m_{Q} + m_{q}} (\epsilon^{*} \cdot q) A_{0}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}), \\ \langle V(p',\epsilon) | \bar{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}Q | B_{c}(p) \rangle = T_{0}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}) \frac{\epsilon^{*} \cdot q}{(m_{B_{c}} + m_{V})^{2}} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}p^{\alpha}p'^{\beta} + T_{1}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}) \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}p^{\alpha}\epsilon^{*\beta} + T_{2}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}) \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}p'^{\alpha}\epsilon^{*\beta}, \\ \langle V(p',\epsilon) | \bar{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\gamma_{5}Q | B_{c}(p) \rangle = i T_{0}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}) \frac{\epsilon^{*} \cdot q}{(m_{B_{c}} + m_{V})^{2}} (p_{\mu}p'_{\nu} - p_{\nu}p'_{\mu}) \\ + i T_{1}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}) (p_{\mu}\epsilon_{\nu}^{*} - \epsilon_{\mu}^{*}p_{\nu}) + i T_{2}^{B_{c} \rightarrow V}(q^{2}) (p'_{\mu}\epsilon_{\nu}^{*} - \epsilon_{\mu}^{*}p'_{\nu})$$

# HQ spin symmetry in $B_c$ decays

$$\langle P(v,k)|\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}Q|B_{c}(v)\rangle = 2\sqrt{m_{B_{c}}m_{P}}\Big(\Omega_{1}(y) \ v_{\mu} + a_{0}\Omega_{2}(y) \ k_{\mu}\Big),$$

$$\langle P(v,k)|\bar{q}Q|B_{c}(v)\rangle = 2\sqrt{m_{B_{c}}m_{P}}\Big(\Omega_{1}(y) + a_{0}\Omega_{2}(y) \ v \cdot k\Big),$$

$$\langle P(v,k)|\bar{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}Q|B_{c}(v)\rangle = -2i\sqrt{m_{B_{c}}m_{P}} \ a_{0}\Omega_{2}(y)\Big(v_{\mu}k_{\nu} - v_{\nu}k_{\mu}\Big)$$

$$\langle V(v,k,\epsilon) | \bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}Q | B_{c}(v) \rangle = 2i\sqrt{m_{B_{c}}m_{V}} a_{0}\Omega_{2}(y) \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\epsilon^{*\nu} k^{\alpha}v^{\beta},$$

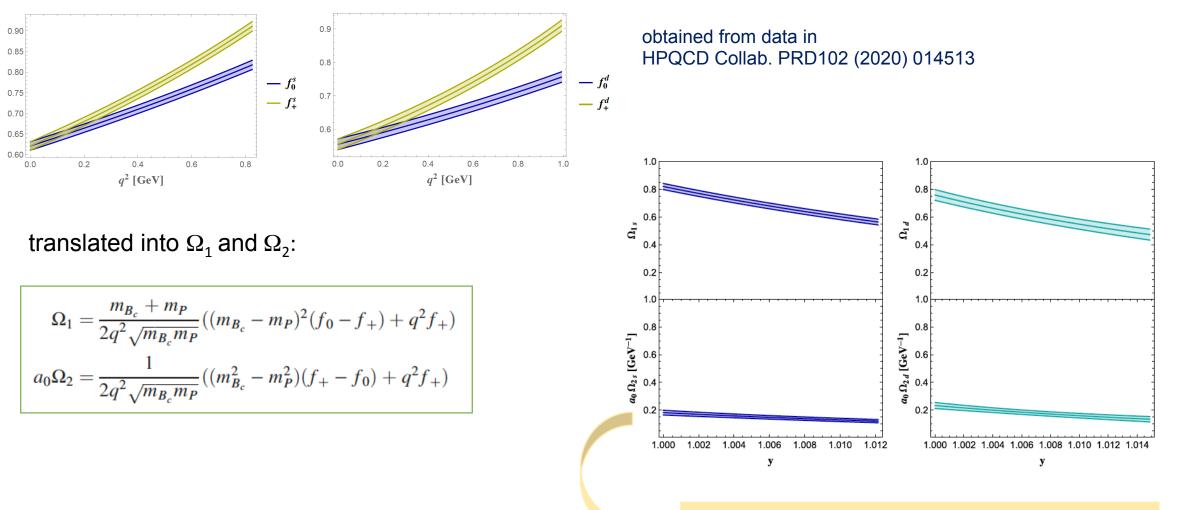
$$\langle V(v,k,\epsilon) | \bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_{5}b | B_{c}(v) \rangle = 2\sqrt{m_{B_{c}}m_{V}} \Big( \epsilon_{\mu}^{*} \left(\Omega_{1}(y) + v \cdot k a_{0}\Omega_{2}(y)\right) - \left(v_{\mu} - \frac{k_{\mu}}{m_{V}}\right)\epsilon^{*} \cdot k a_{0}\Omega_{2}(y) \Big),$$

$$\langle V(v,k,\epsilon) | \bar{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}Q | B_{c}(v) \rangle = -2\sqrt{m_{B_{c}}m_{V}} \Big( \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\epsilon^{*\alpha}v^{\beta}\Omega_{1}(y) + \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\epsilon^{*\alpha}k^{\beta}a_{0}\Omega_{2}(y) \Big),$$

$$\langle V(v,k,\epsilon) | \bar{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\gamma_{5}Q | B_{c}(v) \rangle = 2i\sqrt{m_{B_{c}}m_{V}} \Big( \epsilon_{\nu}^{*}(v_{\mu}\Omega_{1}(y) + k_{\mu}a_{0}\Omega_{2}(y)) - \epsilon_{\mu}^{*}(v_{\nu}\Omega_{1}(y) + k_{\nu}a_{0}\Omega_{2}(y)) \Big)$$

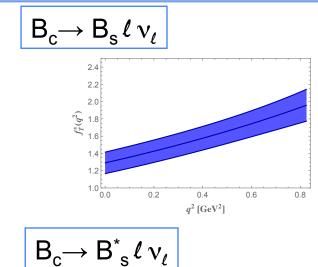
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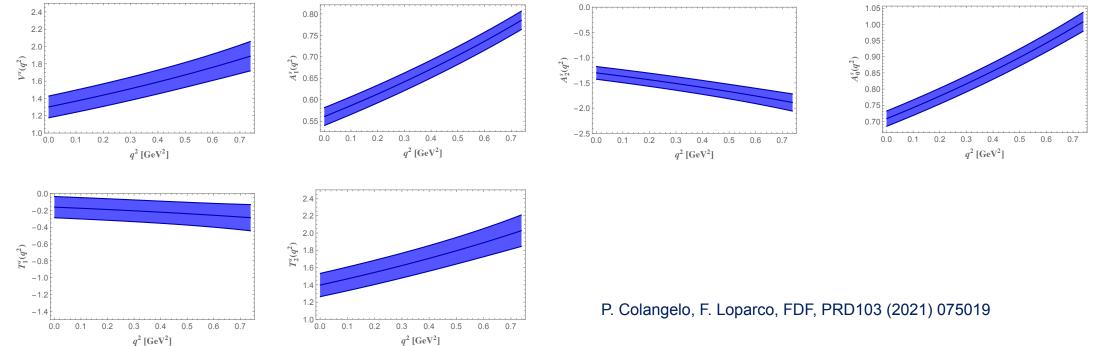
lattice results for  $f_+$  and  $f_0$ 



all other FFs derived from these functions

### HQ spin symmetry in B<sub>c</sub> decays

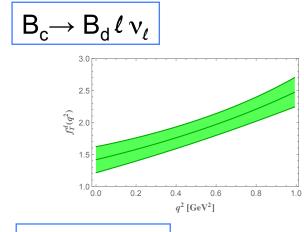




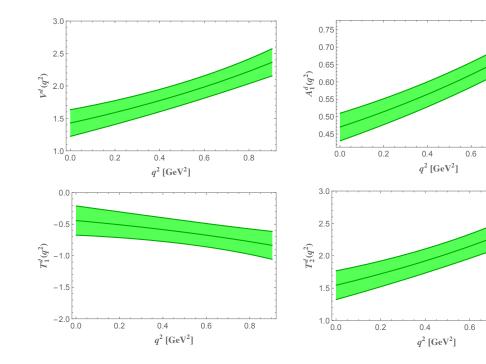
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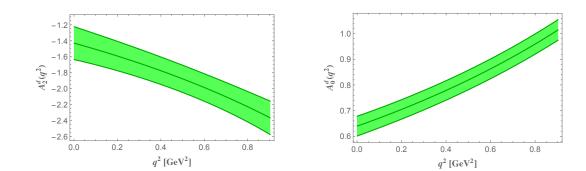
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#### **Results**

$$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_s \,\mu^+ \nu_\mu) = 0.0125 \,(4) \,\left(\frac{|V_{cs}|}{0.987}\right)^2$$
$$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_s \,e^+ \nu_e) = 0.0131 \,(4) \,\left(\frac{|V_{cs}|}{0.987}\right)^2$$

#### SM branching fractions

$$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d \,\mu^+ \nu_\mu) = 8.3\,(5) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d \,e^+ \nu_e) = 8.7\,(5) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2 \\ \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_d^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 21\,(1) \times 10^{-4} \,\left(\frac{|V_{cd}|}{0.221}\right)^2$$

$$B_{c} \rightarrow B^{(*)}_{d} \ell \nu_{\ell}$$

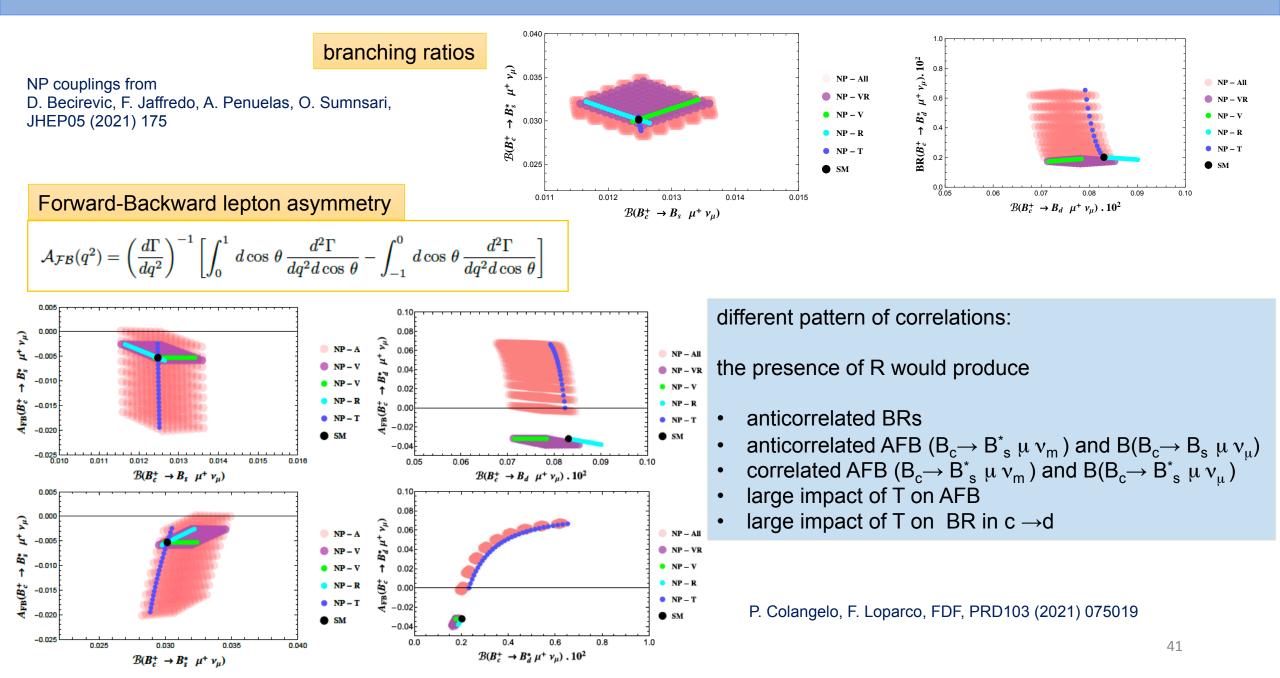
 $B_c \rightarrow B^{(*)}_{s} \ell \nu_{\ell}$ 

small uncertainty: role of the HQSS relations

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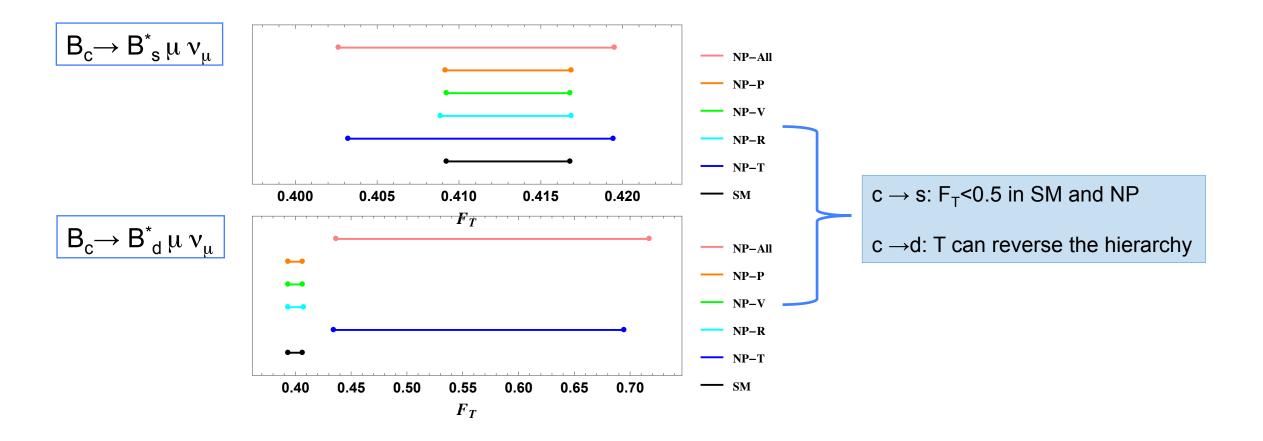
 $\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_s^* \,\mu^+ \nu_\mu) = 0.030 \,(1) \,\left(\frac{|V_{cs}|}{0.987}\right)^2$  $\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \to B_s^* \,e^+ \nu_e) = 0.032 \,(1) \,\left(\frac{|V_{cs}|}{0.987}\right)^2$ 

#### Impact of NP: correlations



 $B_c \rightarrow B_{s,d}^* \mu \nu_{\mu}$ 

### fraction of transversely polarized $B_{s,d}^*$



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# Conclusions

# $B_{\rm c}$ decays represent an interesting testing ground for

- determination of V<sub>cb</sub>
- flavour anomalies
- probing the structure of the hadrons in the final state

### predictions based on NRQCD + HQE

- relations among FFs
- relations to be fulfilled by modes with final hadrons connected by HQSS
- tests of explicit calculations