

\hat{B}_K in the $1/N_c$ expansion :

Impact of $d = 8$ operators in the
weak OPE

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Motivations

(de Rafael & Paris)

\hat{B}_K is one of the parameters which determine the $K^0 - \bar{K}^0$ mixing. $K^0 - \bar{K}^0$ mixing is normally studied with an EFT, valid at $E \lesssim m_c$.

The terms relevant for $K^0 - \bar{K}^0$ mixing are

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\Delta S=2} = - \frac{G_F^2 M_W^2}{4\pi^2} [\lambda_c^2 F_1 + \lambda_b^2 F_2 + 2\lambda_c \lambda_b F_3]$$

$$G_{\Delta S=2}(\mu) Q_{\Delta S=2}(x)$$

$$\lambda_q = V_{qd}^* V_{qs}, \quad q = u, c, t$$

$$F_{1,2,3} = f(m_t, m_b, m_W, m_s, m_c)$$

$$Q_{\Delta S=2}(x) = [\bar{s}_L(x) \gamma^\mu d_L(x)]^2$$

It is conventional to define \hat{B}_K through

$$\langle \bar{K}^0 | G_{\Delta S=2}(\mu) Q_{\Delta S=2}(0) | K^0 \rangle \equiv \frac{4}{3} f_K^2 M_K^2 \hat{B}_K$$

In the large- N_c limit,

$$\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu d_L \iff \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} f_K \partial^\mu K^0$$

[bosonic realization in the chiral limit]

$$G_{\Delta S=2}(\mu) \Big|_{N_c \rightarrow \infty} = 1$$

$$\hat{B}_K \Big|_{N_c \rightarrow \infty} = \frac{3}{4}$$

B_K to NLO in the $1/N_c$ expansion

• We know the form of $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\Delta S=2}$ ($E \lesssim m_c$), but we still have to connect it (match it) to the truly relevant EFT, valid at $E \sim M_K$.

Chiral symmetry constrains the EFT terms sharing the symmetries of $Q_{\Delta S=2}(x)$ to be of the form (to lowest order):

$$\mathcal{O}_x^{\Delta S=2} = -\frac{f_K^4}{4} g_{\Delta S=2}(\mu) \text{tr} [\lambda_{32} (D^\mu u^\dagger) u \lambda_{32} (D_\mu u)]$$

$$\lambda_{32} = \delta_{i3} \delta_{2j}$$

where $g_{\Delta S=2}(\mu)$ depends on the underlying dynamics of QCD. Comparing $k^i - \bar{k}^i$ matrix elements with $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\Delta S=2}$ and $\mathcal{O}_x^{\Delta S=2}$ one gets

$$\hat{B}_K = \frac{3}{4} G_{\Delta S=2}(\mu) g_{\Delta S=2}(\mu)$$

• What do we know about the Wilson coefficient $G_{\Delta S=2}(\mu)$?

From renormalization group - improved perturbation theory,

$$G_{\Delta S=2}(\mu) = \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} \left(\frac{1433}{1936} + \frac{1}{8} \kappa \right) \right] \left(\frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$\kappa = 0$ (naive dimensional regularization)

Notice that indeed $G_{AS=2}(\mu) \Big|_{N_c \rightarrow \infty} = 1$.

- What do we know about the coupling $G_{AS=2}(\mu)$?

It has to be determined by a matching condition.

$$G_{AS=2}(\mu, \epsilon) = 1 - \frac{\mu_{had}^2}{32\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{\mu_{had}^2} \right)^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} \frac{1}{\Gamma(2-\frac{\epsilon}{2})} \int_0^\infty dz z^{-\frac{\epsilon}{2}} W(z)$$

$$W(z) = z \frac{\mu_{had}^2}{f_\pi^2} W_{LRA}^{(1)}(z\mu_{had}^2)$$

$$z \equiv \frac{Q^2}{\mu_{had}^2}$$

$$\int d^4q g_{\mu\nu} W_{LRA}^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(q, l) = \left(\frac{l^\alpha l^\beta}{l^2} - g^{\alpha\beta} \right) W_{LRA}^{(1)}(Q^2)$$

$$W_{LRA}^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(q, l) = i^3 \lim_{l \rightarrow 0} \int d^4x d^4y d^4z e^{i(q \cdot x + l \cdot (y-z))} \langle 0 | T \{ L_{fd}^\mu(x) R_{ds}^\alpha(y) L_{fd}^\nu(0) R_{ds}^\beta(z) \} | 0 \rangle$$

$$L_{fd}^\mu(x) = \bar{5}(x) \gamma^\mu \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} d(x)$$

$$R_{ds}^\alpha(x) = \bar{d}(x) \gamma^\alpha \frac{1+\gamma_5}{2} s(x)$$

- What do we know about $W(z)$?

In the Large- N_c limit it takes the form:

$$W(z) = 6 - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_i}{\rho_i} - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\beta_i}{\rho_i^2} + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\gamma_i}{\rho_i^3} +$$

$$+ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\alpha_i}{z + \rho_i} + \frac{\beta_i}{(z + \rho_i)^2} + \frac{\gamma_i}{(z + \rho_i)^3} \right]$$

$$\rho_i \equiv \frac{M_V^2}{\mu_{had}^2}$$

where $\alpha_i, \beta_i, \gamma_i$ have to be determined by comparing with

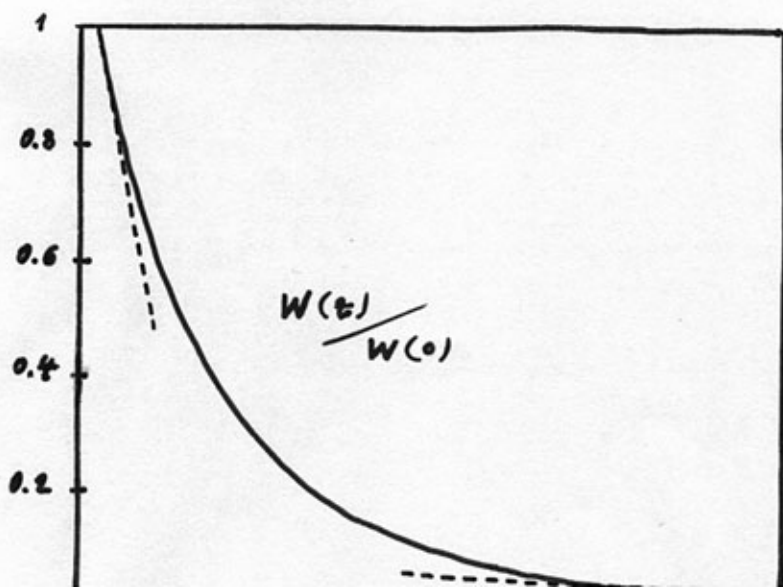
(a) χ P.T at low z

$$W(z) \approx 6 - \frac{24 \mu_{had}^2}{f_\pi^2} (2L_1 + 5L_2 + L_3 + L_9) z + \dots$$

(b) the OPE at high z

$$W(z) \approx \frac{24\pi\alpha_s f_\pi^2}{\mu_{had}^2} \left[1 + \frac{\epsilon}{12} (5 + \kappa) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s) \right] \frac{1}{z} + \dots$$

The previous constraints allow to determine only one resonance (ρ), i.e., $\alpha_V, \beta_V, \gamma_V$. With this,



$$f_\pi = 85.3 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\mu_{had} = 1.4 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_V = 770 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\hat{z} = 0.39$$

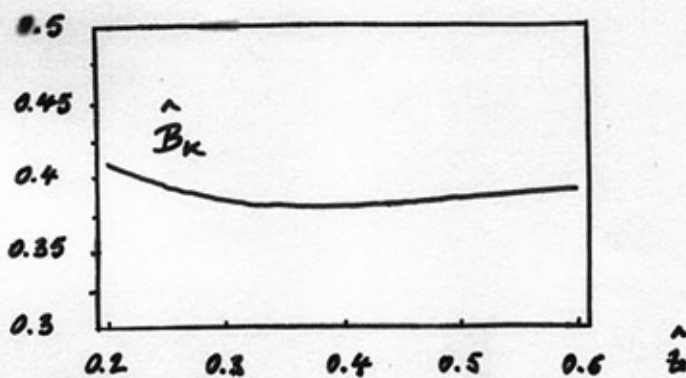
Now we can plug in $W(z)$ and get $g_{\text{as}}(z)$ and finally \hat{B}_K .

$$\hat{B}_K = \left(\frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu_{\text{had}})} \right)^{\frac{3}{11}} \frac{3}{4} \left[1 - \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_{\text{had}})}{\pi} \left(\frac{1229}{1936} - \frac{3}{4} \log \hat{z} \right) + O \left(\frac{N_c \alpha_s^2(\mu_{\text{had}})}{\pi^2} \right) - \frac{\mu_{\text{had}}^2}{32\pi^2 f_K^2} \left(\alpha_s \log \frac{\hat{z} + p_V}{p_V} - \beta_V \left(\frac{1}{\hat{z} + p_V} - \frac{1}{p_V} \right) - \frac{\gamma_V}{2} \left(\frac{1}{(\hat{z} + p_V)^2} - \frac{1}{p_V^2} \right) \right) \right]$$

which results from integrating $W(z)$ in the following manner

$$\int_0^{\hat{z}} dz W(z) + \int_{\hat{z}}^{\Lambda^2/\mu_{\text{had}}^2} dz W_{\text{OGE}}(z)$$

Graphically,



$$\hat{B}_K = 0.38 \pm 0.11$$

Notice that the final expression for \hat{B}_K is μ -independent and scheme-independent.

Impact of $d=8$ operators in the weak OPE

Recently, Cinigiano, Donoghue & Golowich suggested that $d=8$ operators may, in principle, be of significance,

$$Q_1^{(8)} = \bar{s} \not{D}_\mu \not{D}^\mu T_\nu^a d \bar{s} T_\nu^a d + \dots$$

$$Q_2^{(8)} = \bar{s} T_\nu^a \not{D}_\mu d \bar{s} T_\nu^a \not{D}^\mu d + \dots$$

$$\vdots$$
$$Q_6^{(8)} = g \delta^{ab} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} (\bar{s} T_\mu^a d \bar{s} T_\nu^b d - \bar{s} T_\mu^b d \bar{s} T_\nu^a d)$$

with the corresponding Wilson coefficients, in agreement with C., D. & G.

Upon factorization, only $Q_1^{(8)}$ contributes. To evaluate such contribution, knowledge of

$$\langle 0 | \frac{g_s}{2} \bar{s}_L \gamma_\rho \tilde{G}^{\rho\sigma} d_L | K \rangle$$

is needed. [Sum rules]. (Novikov et al.)

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Conclusions

• \hat{B}_K^x has been determined, with a value $\hat{B}_K = 0.38 \pm 0.11$, and has been shown explicitly its μ and scheme-independence. (de Rafael & Pons)

• Analysis of $d = 8$ operators is underway, but in that particular case (\hat{B}_K) we expect a small impact.