Long-distance effects in $K \to \pi \nu \overline{\nu}$

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• Experimental status

 $Br(K^{+} \to \pi^{+} \nu \overline{\nu}) \stackrel{SM}{=} (7.8 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{-11}$ $Br(K_{L} \to \pi^{0} \nu \overline{\nu}) \stackrel{SM}{=} (3.0 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-11}$

Experiment	Place	Status
KTeV	Fermilab	Now finished. Upper limit $Br(K_L \to \pi^0 v \overline{v}) < 5.9 \times 10^{-7}$
AGS- E787/E949	Brookhaven	Observed 3 events: $Br(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \overline{\nu}) = 14.7^{+13.0}_{-8.9} \times 10^{-11}$ Expects around 10 events in all.
E391a	KEK	Now running. Expect sensitivity to 10^{-10} for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \overline{\nu}$
KOPIO	Brookhaven	Start construction 2005? $K_L \to \pi^0 \nu \overline{\nu}$ (60 events)
J-PARC	KEK	Construction ends 2008? $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \overline{\nu}$ (1000 events)
/3 NA48 /4 /5	CERN	$K^+ \to \pi^+ \nu \overline{\nu}$ Letter of intent (100 events by 2008) $K_L \to \pi^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$ Proposals running in 2008-2010? $K_L \to \pi^0 \nu \overline{\nu}$ Proposals running in 2008-2010?
???	Fermilab	???

• Theoretical aspects of $K \rightarrow \pi v \overline{v}$

 1- Properties: Dominated by short-distance physics. Probe the SM at the quantum level (FCNC). Clean theoretical predictions. High sensitivity to New Physics.

$$H_{eff}(\overline{s}d \to \nu\overline{\nu}) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi \sin^2 \theta_W} \Big[V_{ts}^* V_{td} X(x_t) + V_{cs}^* V_{cd} X(x_c) \Big] \big(\overline{s}d\big)_{V-A} \big(\overline{\nu}\nu\big)_{V-A} \Big] \Big(\overline{s}d\big)_{V-A} \big(\overline{\nu}\nu\big)_{V-A} \Big(\overline{\nu}\nu\big)_{V-A} \Big(\overline{v}\nu\big)_{V-A} \Big(\overline{v}\nu\big)_{V$$

2- FCNC process: $X_0(x_t) = C_0(x_t) - 4B_0(x_t) \approx x_t$ when $x_t \to \infty$ (short-distance) $x_q = m_q^2 / M_W^2$ \overline{s} W u,c,t \overline{v} \overline{s} W^+ $v_{e,\mu,\tau}$ $V_{e,\mu,\tau}$

3- *Matrix elements* are known from the well-measured $K^+ \to \pi^0 \ell^+ \nu_\ell (K_{\ell 3})$ using isospin symmetry: $\langle \pi^0 | (\overline{s}u)_V | K^+ \rangle \sim \langle \pi^0 | (\overline{s}d)_V | K^0 \rangle \sim \langle \pi^+ | (\overline{s}d)_V | K^+ \rangle$

• Our goals:

(Gino Isidori, Federico Mescia, C.S.)

Improving the theoretical control over subleading contributions:

1- Identification of dimension eight operators

$$\overline{\mathbf{s}} = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{C}_{0} (x_{c}, q^{2}) = C_{0} (x_{c}) \left(1 + \frac{q^{2}}{m_{c}^{2}} \log x_{c} + \dots\right)$$

generates new local operator of the kind $(\overline{sd})_{V-A}\partial^2(\overline{v}v)_{V-A}$. Typically, $q^2 \approx m_{\kappa}^2 \Rightarrow$ expected corrections to $X_0(x_c)$ of the order of $\approx 15\%$.

2- Residual non-local, *long-distance u-quark contributions*

Estimation from Chiral Perturbation Theory including, contrary to previous works, bosonization of all the relevant FCNC local interactions. Effects of the order of $\Lambda_{OCD}^2 / m_c^2 \approx 10\%$ possible.

3- Improved estimation of *matrix elements of c-quark dim-8 operators* by matching with the LD, u-quark amplitude.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dim. 6} \quad \text{Dim. 8} \quad \text{Dim. 10} \\ A_{eff}\left(q^{2} \rightarrow 0\right) &\approx \left(\overline{s}d\right)_{V-A} \lambda_{t} \left[\begin{array}{c} X_{0}(x_{t}) + x_{t} \frac{q^{2}}{m_{t}^{2}} \left(\log x_{t} + \frac{q^{2}}{m_{t}^{2}} + ...\right)\right] \left(\overline{v}v\right)_{V-A} \\ &+ \left(\overline{s}d\right)_{V-A} \lambda_{c} \left[\begin{array}{c} X_{0}(x_{c}) + x_{c} \frac{q^{2}}{m_{c}^{2}} \left(\log x_{c}\right) + \frac{q^{2}}{m_{c}^{2}} + ...\right)\right] \left(\overline{v}v\right)_{V-A} \\ &+ \left(\overline{s}d\right)_{V-A} \lambda_{u} \left[\begin{array}{c} X_{0}(x_{u}) + x_{u} \frac{q^{2}}{m_{u}^{2}} \left(\log x_{u}\right) + \frac{q^{2}}{m_{u}^{2}} + ...\right)\right] \left(\overline{v}v\right)_{V-A} \end{aligned}$$

- High-virtuality u-quarks are removed using CKM unitarity ($\mu_{IR} = \mu_{IV} \approx 1 \text{ GeV}$)

$$\lambda_c \frac{q^2}{M_W^2} \left(\log x_c - \log x_u\right) \to \lambda_c \frac{q^2}{M_W^2} \left(\log \frac{m_c}{\mu_{IR}} - \log \frac{m_u}{\mu_{UV}}\right)$$

- The remaining u-quark effects are non-local, since $q^2 \approx m_K^2$.
 - \Rightarrow Compute the one-loop amplitude in ChPT (matrix element).
- The ChPT amplitude UV-divergence is (approximately) matched with the c-quark dimension-eight operator matrix elements such that $\mu_{IR} = \mu_{UV}$ cancel out.

OPE at the Charm Scale

• Down from the M_W scale

Integrating out the W, Z and t, but keeping c and u as dynamical:

$$\begin{split} H_{eff}\left(M_{W}\right) \sim \left[X(x_{t})Q_{v\overline{v}}^{\overline{s}d}\right]_{t} + \left[C_{v\overline{v}}Q_{v\overline{v}}^{c\overline{c}} + C_{\ell v}Q_{v\ell}^{\overline{c}s,\overline{c}d} + C_{1}Q_{1}^{c} + C_{2}Q_{2}^{c} + C_{3}Q_{v\overline{v}}^{\overline{s}d}\right]_{c} \\ + \left[C_{v\overline{v}}Q_{v\overline{v}}^{u\overline{u}} + C_{\ell v}Q_{v\ell}^{\overline{u}s,\overline{u}d} + C_{1}Q_{1}^{u} + C_{2}Q_{2}^{u} + C_{3}Q_{v\overline{v}}^{\overline{s}d}\right]_{u} \end{split}$$

With the operators:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mathsf{CC:} & Q_1^c = (\overline{s}d)_{V-A} \otimes (\overline{c}c)_{V-A}, Q_2^c = (\overline{s}c)_{V-A} \otimes (\overline{c}d)_{V-A} \\ \mathsf{CC:} & Q_{\overline{v}\ell}^{\overline{c}s} = (\overline{c}s)_{V-A} \otimes (\overline{v}\ell)_{V-A} & (\Rightarrow W \text{ boxes}) \\ \mathsf{NC:} & Q_{\overline{v}v}^{\overline{c}c} = (\overline{c}\gamma_{\mu}(v_f - a_f\gamma_5)c) \otimes (\overline{v}v)_{V-A} & (\Rightarrow Z \text{ penguins}) \\ \mathsf{FCNC:} & Q_{\overline{v}v}^{\overline{s}d} = (\overline{s}d)_{V-A} \otimes (\overline{v}v)_{V-A} \end{array}$

And initial conditions: $C_{\nu\nu}(M_W) = C_{\ell\nu}(M_W) = 1$, $C_1(M_W) = 0, C_2(M_W) = 1, C_3(M_W) = 0$

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• Integrating out the charm

The Wilson coefficients get modified by QCD effects through the running from M_W to m_c , at which point the *c* is removed from the degrees of freedom:

$$H_{eff}(< m_c) \sim \lambda_c \left[C'_3 Q_{\nu \overline{\nu}}^{\overline{sd}} + \sum C_i^{(8)} Q_i^{(8)} + \dots \right]_c$$

OPE at the c

• Dimension eight operators

Concerning the dimension six (C'_3): known at NLL (Buchalla and Buras, 1993)

Three dimension-eight operators are generated (Falk, Lewandowski, Petrov, 2000)

$$Q_{1}^{(8)} = (\overline{s}d)_{V-A} \otimes \partial^{2} (\overline{v}v)_{V-A}$$

$$Q_{2}^{(8)} = (\overline{s}\overline{D}_{\alpha})\gamma_{\mu}(1-\gamma_{5})(\overline{D}^{\alpha}d) \otimes (\overline{v}v)_{V-A}$$

$$Q_{3}^{(8)} = (\overline{s}\overline{D}^{\alpha})\gamma_{\mu}(1-\gamma_{5})d \otimes (\overline{v}[\overline{\partial}_{\alpha}-\overline{\partial}_{\alpha}])\gamma_{\mu}(1-\gamma_{5})v$$

with weights: $C_1^Z(\mu_{IR}) = \frac{1}{6} \left(1 - \frac{4}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W \right) \log(m_c / \mu_{IR}) \left[3C_1(m_c) + C_2(m_c) \right]$ $C_2^{e,\mu}(\mu_{IR}) = -C_3^{e,\mu}(\mu_{IR}) = \log(m_c / \mu_{IR}) C_{\ell V}(m_c)$ $C_2^\tau(\mu_{IR}) = -C_3^\tau(\mu_{IR}) = -f(m_c^2 / m_\tau^2) C_{\ell V}(m_c)$

The CC Wilson coeff. $C_1(m_c), C_2(m_c)$ are known, while $C_{\ell\nu}(m_c) = 1$. The τ lepton mass is not neglected w.r.t. the *c* one:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{6x - 2}{(x - 1)^2} - 2 \right) \log x - \frac{x}{(x - 1)^2}$$

Chiral Perturbation Theory

Generalities

Strong interactions are represented as

$$L_{strong}^{(2)} = \frac{F_{\pi}^2}{4} \langle D_{\mu} U D^{\mu} U^{\dagger} + \chi^{\dagger} U + U^{\dagger} \chi \rangle$$

The current-current hadronic $\Delta S = 1$ operators as

$$L_{|\Delta S|=1}^{(2)} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ud} V_{us}^* \left\{ g_8 \left\langle \lambda_6 L_{\mu} L^{\mu} \right\rangle + g_{27} \left\langle ... \right\rangle \right\} \qquad L_{\mu} = i F_{\pi}^2 U D_{\mu} U^{\dagger}$$

The Z boson is introduced as an external source through the covariant derivative:

$$D_{\mu}U = \partial_{\mu}U - i\frac{g}{\cos\theta_{W}}Z_{\mu}\left(\sin^{2}\theta_{W}\left[Q,U\right] + UT_{3}\right) \qquad T_{3} = a_{8}Q - a_{1}\frac{1}{6}$$

The external W boson is introduced similarly (for the box diagram).

• GIM mechanism and FCNC

The G_F^2 Lagrangian contains at tree-level (with or without weak rotation)

$$L_{strong}^{(2)} + L_{|\Delta S|=1}^{(2)} = 4F_{\pi}^{3}G_{8}\frac{g}{\cos\theta_{W}}\left(\frac{a_{1}}{6} + \frac{a_{8}}{3}\right)Z^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}K_{L}$$
$$-F_{\pi}\frac{g}{\cos\theta_{W}}\left(\frac{a_{8}}{2}\right)Z^{\mu}\left(\partial_{\mu}\pi^{0} + \frac{\partial_{\mu}\eta_{8}}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

GIM mechanism forbids such a direct K_L -Z coupling; it is already included in dimension 6 operators \Rightarrow remove from $L^{(2)}_{|\Delta S|=1}$ the part corresponding to the structure $(\overline{s}_L \gamma_\mu d_L) Z^\mu$:

$$L_{|\Delta S|=1}^{(2)} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ud} V_{us}^* g_8 \left\{ \left\langle \lambda_6 L_\mu L^\mu \right\rangle - \frac{2ig}{\cos \theta_W} F_\pi^2 \left\langle \lambda_6 L_\mu T_3 \right\rangle \mathbf{Z}^\mu \right\}$$

With this new piece, the suppression appears in the same way for both:

$$\frac{K_{L}}{\gamma} = 0 \qquad \frac{K_{L}}{\gamma} = 0 \qquad \frac{K_{L}}{\gamma} = 0$$

ChPT

• Singlet part of the source

The fact that the T_3 generator is not traceless $\Rightarrow \langle L_{\mu} \rangle \sim \langle UD_{\mu}U^{\dagger} \rangle \sim a_1 Z_{\mu}$

With the previous modification, the a_1 piece decouples at $O(p^2)$ in SU(3):

$$\begin{split} L^{(2)}_{strong} &\sim \left\langle L_{\mu} \right\rangle \left\langle L^{\mu} \right\rangle \sim Z_{\mu} Z^{\mu} \implies \text{decoupled, but in U(3):} \quad L^{(2)}_{strong} \sim a_1 \partial_{\mu} \eta_1 Z^{\mu} \\ L^{(2)}_{|\Delta S|=1} &\sim \left\langle \lambda_6 L_{\mu} \right\rangle \left\langle L^{\mu} \right\rangle \sim a_1 \partial_{\mu} K_L Z^{\mu} \implies \text{forced to vanish.} \end{split}$$

The only sensitivity to a_1 is through the singlet field pole diagrams:



$$\mathfrak{M}(K^0 \to \pi^0 \mathbb{Z}^{\mu})_{tree} = 0, \quad \mathfrak{M}(K^+ \to \pi^+ \mathbb{Z}^{\mu})_{tree} = i \frac{G_8 g}{\cos \theta_W} F_{\pi}^2 p_K^{\mu} (2a_8)$$

True also at loop level: no contribution from a_1 , and no special sensitivity to η' . At $O(p^4)$, a lot of counterterms occur, but for a_1 , only in a finite combination.



• Loop processes

(with weak rotation)















• Amplitude

The general structure is

$$\mathfrak{M}(K^+ \to \pi^+ \mathbb{Z}^{\mu}(q)) = i \frac{G_8 g}{\cos \theta_W} F_{\pi}^2 p_K^{\mu} \left[2a_8 + \frac{\mathfrak{M}_{loops}}{(4\pi F_{\pi})^2} \right]$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_{loops} = a_8 \mathbf{M}_A(q^2) + \left(a_8 - \frac{4}{3}\sin^2\theta_W\right) \mathbf{M}_B(q^2)$$

The leading part of \mathbf{M}_A is proportional to m_K^2 , m_π^2 , and corresponds to dimension 6, i.e. $X(m_u)$. Terms proportional to q^2 are small. In addition, $\mathbf{M}_A \mid_{SU(3)} = 0$.

The leading part of \mathbf{M}_{B} is proportional to q^{2} , and corresponds to dimension 8 operators. This function is exactly the one occuring in $K^{+} \rightarrow \pi^{+} \gamma^{*}$.

The divergence is fully contained in \mathbf{M}_{B} , and appears with the same coefficient as in the short-distance analysis:

$$C_1^Z(\mu_{IR}) = \frac{1}{6} \left(1 - \frac{4}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W \right) \log(m_c / \mu_{IR}) \left[3C_1(m_c) + C_2(m_c) \right]$$

The removal of the FCNC piece is crucial: only then the q^2 piece has this coefficient

Phenomenology

• Final parametrization

$$Br(K^{+} \to \pi^{0} \nu \overline{\nu}) = \kappa^{+} \left[\left| \operatorname{Im} \lambda_{t} X(x_{t}) \right|^{2} + \left| \operatorname{Re} \lambda_{t} X(x_{t}) + \operatorname{Re} \lambda_{c} P_{LQ} \right|^{2} \right]$$

$$\approx \kappa^{+} \left[\left| A^{2} \lambda^{5} \eta X(x_{t}) \right|^{2} + \left| A^{2} \lambda^{5} (1 - \rho) X(x_{t}) + \lambda P_{LQ} \right|^{2} \right]$$

$$\approx 4.1 \times 10^{-11} A^{4} X^{2}(x_{t}) \left[\eta^{2} + (\rho_{0} - \rho)^{2} \right]$$

with

$$\kappa^{+} = \frac{3\alpha^{2}Br(K^{+} \to \pi^{0}e^{+}\nu)}{2\pi\lambda^{2}\sin^{4}\theta_{W}}, \quad \rho_{0} = 1 + \frac{P_{LQ}}{A^{2}\lambda^{4}X(x_{t})}, \quad \eta \approx \frac{1}{3}, \rho \approx \lambda \approx \frac{1}{5}, A \approx \frac{4}{5}$$

The *matrix element* of the leading dimension 6 operator is hidden in κ^+ .

The top quark effects are included in the function $X(x_t) = 1.529 \pm 0.042$

All the *light quarks* (c and u) effects are contained in P_{LO} :

$$P_{LQ} = P_c + P_c^{(8)} + \operatorname{Re} P_{LD} \qquad P_c = \frac{2}{3} X_{NL}^e + \frac{1}{3} X_{NL}^{\tau} \approx \lambda^4 \left(0.39 \pm 0.07 \right)$$

Conclusion

For c-quark, dimension-eight operators:

We confirm both the basis and Wilson coefficients obtained by Falk, Lewandowski and Petrov in 2000.

For u-quark, long-distance effects:

We have motified the basis of operators to be used in ChPT at $O(G_E^2 p^2)$ by including a FCNC local operator, in order to satisfy GIM mechanism.

Contrary to earlier works: 1/ No sensitivity to the singlet part of the Z current. 2/ At loop level, a structure that matches SD arises.

For the final estimation of the impact on P_c :

For both $P_c^{(8)}$ and $\operatorname{Re} P_{ID}$, everything is in place, just a little more work needed. Completion expected very soon...