The $B \to K \eta'$ Decay Puzzle

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• Why are η' channels enhanced?

Experience with η' mass (U(1) problem: $m_{\eta'} \gg m_{\pi}$) suggests: $|\eta'\rangle = \cdots + |gg\rangle + \cdots$







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 - Hybrid method (symmetry + quark dynamics), overcomplete basis: more flavour topologies than true SU(3)_F invariants

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- [Du, Kim and Yang (1998)]
- [Ahmady, Kou and Sugamoto (1998)]
- [Ali, Chay, Greub and Ko (1998)]
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What about hard off-shell gluon contribution? Can it explain the discrepancy?



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$$\Sigma(\mathbf{p}) = -M_W^2 \not\!\!\!/ L - 2M_W^2 \left(1 + \frac{m_i^2}{2M_W^2}\right) \not\!\!\!/ L \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x (1-x) \ln \frac{D}{\mu_*^2}$$

$$-\int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x \left[(1-x)m_{b}m_{s} \not p R - m_{i}^{2}(m_{b}R + m_{s}L) \right] \ln \frac{D}{\mu_{*}^{2}}$$

$$\ln\mu_*^2 = \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \ln 4\pi\mu^2$$

 $b \rightarrow sg^*g^*$ (Triangle)



$$\Gamma^{\mu}(0,p,-p) = \frac{4M_W^2}{m_i^2 - M_W^2} \left(1 + \frac{m_i^2}{2M_W^2} \right) (p^2 g^{\mu\nu} - p^{\mu} p^{\nu}) \gamma_{\nu} L \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x x (1-x) \ln \frac{D}{C}$$

$$+ M_W^2 \gamma^{\mu} L + 2M_W^2 \left(1 + \frac{m_i^2}{2M_W^2} \right) \gamma^{\mu} L \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x (1-x) \ln \frac{D}{\mu_*^2}$$

$$D = xm_i^2 + (1-x)M_W^2 - x(1-x)p^2$$
$$C = m_i^2 - x(1-x)p^2$$
$b \rightarrow sg^*g^*$ (Box)

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{I}^{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{0},\mathbf{0},-\boldsymbol{p},\boldsymbol{p}) &= \frac{2M_W^2}{m_i^2 - M_W^2} \left(1 - \frac{m_i^2}{2M_W^2} \right) (-i\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_\sigma \gamma_\rho L) \times \\ &\times \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x (1-x) \left\{ (3x-1) \mathbb{Y}_1 + \left[x^2 (1-x) p^2 + (x+1) m_i^2 \right] \mathbb{Y}_2 \right\} \\ &+ \frac{2M_W^2}{m_i^2 - M_W^2} \left(1 + \frac{m_i^2}{2M_W^2} \right) \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x (1-x) \left\{ \left[-(x+1) \not p g^{\mu\nu} - (x-1) (p^\mu \gamma^\nu + p^\nu \gamma^\mu) \right] \mathbb{Y}_1 \\ &+ \left(x^2 (1-x) \left[-(p^\mu \gamma^\nu + p^\nu \gamma^\mu) p^2 + \not p (4p^\mu p^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} p^2) \right] \right. \\ &+ \left[-(x+1) \not p g^{\mu\nu} - (x-1) (p^\mu \gamma^\nu + p^\nu \gamma^\mu) \right] m_i^2 \right) \mathbb{Y}_2 \right\} L \end{split}$$

 $\mathbb{Y}_{1,2}=$ complicated functions of $x,\,m_i^2,\,M_W^2,\,p^2$

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$$\mathcal{A} = \mathbf{i} \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{s}(0) t^b t^a \sum_i \lambda_i T_{i\mu\nu} b(0) \epsilon_a^{\mu}(-p) \epsilon_b^{\nu}(p) + \text{(crossed)},$$

 $T_i^{\mu\nu} = T_{i\text{Box}}^{\mu\nu} + T_{i\text{Triangle}}^{\mu\nu} + T_{i\text{Self-energy}}^{\mu\nu} \; .$

 $T_{i}^{\mu\nu} = (-i\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}p_{\sigma}\gamma_{\rho}L)A_{i} + (\mu\nu \text{ symmetric part})$

$$A_i = -\frac{8M_W^2}{m_i^2 - M_W^2} \left(1 + \frac{m_i^2}{2M_W^2} \right) \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x x (1 - x) \ln \frac{D}{C}$$

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- $F_{\eta'g^*g^*}$ defined via $\eta' \to g^*(k_1)g^*(k_2)$ amplitude:

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$$\mathcal{A}(b \to s\eta') \to \mathcal{A}(B \to K\eta') \text{ via factorization}$$

IR cut-off dependence



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- (One must add SD (blue) on top of LD (gray-blue) and than compare with SU(3) (red).)
- Discrepancy smaller but still exists!

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 $x \ll 1 \implies (F_1 \sim \ln x) \gg (F_2 \sim x^2 \ln x)$

• F_1 terms cancel for on-shell or soft gluons (Ward identities, low-energy theorem [Low(1958)]) \Rightarrow suppression

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$$F_1(x)(p^2\gamma^{\mu} - pp^{\mu})L - F_2(x)i\sigma_{\mu\nu}q^{\nu}m_bR$$

• $(F_1\text{-terms})$
• $(F_2\text{-terms})$
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 $x \ll 1 \implies (F_1 \sim \ln x) \gg (F_2 \sim x^2 \ln x)$

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- but not for hard off-shell gluons ([Witten (1977)])!

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