## **B** Physics with NRQCD Heavy

## and AsqTad Light Quarks

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Good progress in recent years in Lattice simulations of heavylight systems.

- More and more unquenched simulations using for instance the  $N_f = 2 + 1$  MILC configurations
- Use of AsqTad improved staggered light quarks has led to considerable reduction in chiral extrapolation uncertainties.



- Formalism
- Perturbative Matching and Dim. 4 Current Corrections
- Decay Constants
- Semi-leptonic Form Factors
- Future Plans

## Formalism

Symmetries of staggered or naive fermions are well documented in the literature, especially within the context of light quark physics.

The situation is <u>simpler for heavy-light systems</u>, if the heavyquark action has no doublers as in NRQCD, or only heavy doublers as with Fermilab heavy quarks.

The free naive fermion action (unimproved for simplicity) is given by,

$$S_0 = a^4 \sum_x \left\{ \overline{\Psi}(x) \left[ \sum_{\mu} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{a} \nabla_{\mu} + m \right] \Psi(x) \right\},\,$$

with

$$\nabla_{\mu}f(x) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x+a_{\mu}) - f(x-a_{\mu})].$$

The naive action has a set of 16 discrete "doubling symmetries",

$$\Psi(x) \rightarrow e^{ix\cdot\pi_g}M_g\Psi(x)$$
  
 $\overline{\Psi}(x) \rightarrow e^{ix\cdot\pi_g}\overline{\Psi}(x)M_g^{\dagger}.$ 

"g" is an element of the set, G, of ordered sets of indices.

$$G = \{g : g = (\mu_1, \mu_2, ...), \ \mu_1 < \mu_2 < ...\},\$$

and  $\pi_g$  is the 4-vector,

$$(\pi_g)_{\mu} = \begin{cases} rac{\pi}{a} & \mu \in g, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The  $M_g$  are transformation matrices,

$$M_g = M_{\mu_1} M_{\mu_2} \dots, \qquad \mu_i \in g,$$

with

$$M_{\mu} = i\gamma_5\gamma_{\mu}.$$

Momentum Space Naive Fermions

$$S_0 = \int_{k,D} \overline{\psi}(k) \left[ \sum_{\mu} i \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{a} \sin(k_{\mu}a) + m \right] \psi(k)$$

Using the 4-vectors  $\pi_g$  this can be written as,

$$S_0 = \sum_g \int_{k, D_{\emptyset}} \overline{\psi}(k + \pi_g) \left[ \sum_{\mu} i \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{a} sin([k + \pi_g]_{\mu} a) + m] \psi(k + \pi_g) \right]$$

*D* denotes the full Brillouin zone,  $-\frac{\pi}{a} \le k_{\mu} < \frac{\pi}{a}$ , and  $D_{\emptyset}$  just the central region,  $-\frac{\pi}{2a} \le k_{\mu} < \frac{\pi}{2a}$ .

The next step is to define 16 new momentum space spinors  $q^g(k)$  labeled by the elements g of the set G.

$$q^g(k) = M_g \psi(k + \pi_g), \ \overline{q}^g(k) = \overline{\psi}(k + \pi_g) M_g^{\dagger}.$$

Momentum Space Naive Fermions (cont'd)

Using,

$$M_g \gamma_\mu M_g^{\dagger} \sin([k + \pi_g]_\mu a) = \gamma_\mu \sin(k_\mu a),$$

the action  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathbf{0}}$  becomes

$$S_0 = \sum_g \int_{k, D_{\emptyset}} \overline{q}^g(k) \left[ \sum_{\mu} i \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{a} sin(k_{\mu}a) + m \right] q^g(k).$$

### Heavy-Light Bilinears

Since there are 16 light tastes and one heavy flavor one has the possibility of forming 16 different B mesons labeled by the light taste index g, i.e.  $B_g$ . The obvious choice for an interpolating heavy-light operator has the general form

$$\mathcal{W}_{B_g}(x) = \overline{\Psi}_H(x)\gamma_5 M_g e^{i\pi_g \cdot x} \Psi(x)$$

The 16  $B_g$  mesons are degenerate and do not mix. No information is lost by working with just one of them, e.g. with  $g = \emptyset$ .

#### Momentum Space Heavy-Light Bilinears

$$\sum_{\vec{x}} \mathcal{W}_B(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_{g_s \in G_s} \int_{\vec{k}, D_{s,\emptyset}} \int_{-\pi/2a}^{\pi/2a} \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} e^{ik_0 t}$$
$$\left\{ \overline{\tilde{\psi}}_H(\vec{k} + \vec{\pi}_{g_s}, t) \gamma_5 \left[ M_{g_s}^{\dagger} q^{g_s}(\vec{k}, k_0) + (-1)^t M_{g_t g_s}^{\dagger} q^{g_t g_s}(\vec{k}, k_0) \right] \right\}$$

Use fact that  $\overline{\tilde{\psi}}_H(\vec{k} + \vec{\pi}_{g_s}, t)$ , for  $\vec{\pi}_{g_s} \neq \vec{\pi}_{\emptyset}$ , represents a highly energetic heavy quark.

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{\vec{x}} \mathcal{W}_B(\vec{x}, t) \to \int_{\vec{k}, D_{s,\emptyset}} \int_{-\pi/2a}^{\pi/2a} \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} e^{ik_0 t} \\ &\left\{ \bar{\tilde{\psi}}_H(\vec{k}, t) \, \gamma_5 \left[ q(\vec{k}, k_0) + (-1)^t M_{g_t}^{\dagger} q^{g_t}(\vec{k}, k_0) \right] \right\} \end{split}$$

+ highly energetic state contributions

Momentum Space Heavy-Light Bilinears (cont'd)

One can estimate the splitting between physical and lattice artifact levels.

$$\Delta E = E_{\tilde{H}} - E_H \approx \sqrt{M_b^2 + (\frac{\pi}{a})^2} - M_b$$

For the coarse MILC lattices,  $a^{-1} \approx 1.6$ GeV and  $\Delta E \sim 2.1$ GeV.

Note: Wilson type fermions have heavy doublers with  $\Delta E \sim a^{-1}$ .

Note: one cannot go to  $M_H \rightarrow \infty$ 

- Effect of multiple light tastes simpler when studying heavylight systems.
- The undoubled heavy quark picks out a unique light taste. It is sufficient to work with one of the  $B_q$ 's.
- This is true in heavy-light meson decay constant (2-point), semi-leptonic form factor (3-point), and in  $B_B$  (four-fermion operator) calculations.
- Expressions for heavy-light currents and four-fermion operators are the same as in the continuum theory (no hypercubic constructions or point-splittings necessary).

#### Relation between Naive and Staggered Propagators

Simple but very useful relation between staggered and naive light propagators.

 $\Psi(x) = \Omega(x) \Phi(x), \qquad \overline{\Psi}(x) = \overline{\Phi}(x) \Omega(x)^{\dagger}$ 

with

$$\Omega(x) = \prod_{\mu=0}^{3} (\gamma_{\mu})^{x_{\mu}}$$

$$S_0 \to S_{\Phi} = a^4 \sum_x \left\{ \overline{\Phi}(x) \left[ \sum_{\mu} \eta_{\mu}(x) \frac{1}{a} \nabla_{\mu} + m \right] \Phi(x) \right\}$$
$$\eta_{\mu}(x) = (-1)^{x_0 + \dots x_{(\mu-1)}}.$$

So,

$$G_{\Psi}(x,y) = \Omega(x) G_{\Phi}(x,y) \Omega^{\dagger}(y)$$
$$G_{\Phi}(x,y) = \hat{I}_D G_{\chi}(x,y)$$
$$G_{\Psi}(x,y) = \Omega(x) \Omega^{\dagger}(y) G_{\chi}(x,y)$$

### **Perturbative Matching**

(Emel Gulez, Matt Wingate, J.S.)

Matching has been carried out for AsqTad light,  $\mathcal{O}(a^2)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(1/M^2)$  improved NRQCD heavy, and Symanzik improved glue actions.

One-loop matching of  $V_0$ ,  $A_0$ ,  $V_k$  and  $A_k$  through  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(a \alpha_s)$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(a \alpha_s)$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s/(aM))$ , and  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \Lambda_{QCD}/M)$ i.e. including all dimension 4 current corrections.

As part of the matching we reproduced H.Trottier's  $Z_q$  for massless AsqTad quarks using a gluon mass IR regulator and calculated the NRQCD heavy quark self energy ( $E_0$ ,  $Z_m$  and  $Z_Q$ ) at one-loop order (generalizing previous calculation by C.Morningstar to improved glue).

#### "Kinetic" and "Perturbative" B Mass

$$M_{pert} = Z_m M_0 - E_0 + E_{sim}(0)$$





### 1/M Current Corrections

For  $V_0$ ,  $A_0$ :

$$J_{0}^{(0)}(x) = \bar{q}(x) \Gamma_{0} Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{0}^{(1)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \Gamma_{0} \gamma \cdot \nabla Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{0}^{(2)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \gamma \cdot \overleftarrow{\nabla} \gamma_{0} \Gamma_{0} Q(x).$$

and for  $V_k$ ,  $A_k$  :

$$J_{k}^{(0)}(x) = \bar{q}(x) \Gamma_{k} Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{k}^{(1)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \Gamma_{k} \gamma \cdot \nabla Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{k}^{(2)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \gamma \cdot \overleftarrow{\nabla} \gamma_{0} \Gamma_{k} Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{k}^{(3)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \nabla_{k} Q(x)$$
  

$$J_{k}^{(4)}(x) = \frac{1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \overleftarrow{\nabla}_{k} Q(x),$$

#### Matching of $A_0$

We use :

$$\langle A_0 \rangle_{QCD} = (1 + \alpha_s \,\tilde{\rho}_0) \, \langle J_0^{(0)} \rangle + \\ (1 + \alpha_s \,\rho_1) \, \langle J_0^{(1),sub} \rangle + \alpha_s \,\rho_2 \, \langle J_0^{(2),sub} \rangle$$

$$J^{(i),sub} = J^{(i)} - \alpha_s \zeta_{10} J^{(0)}$$

The second term subtracts power law contributions through  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha/(aM))$ .

Similar expressions for  $V_k$  involving, however, 5 currents.

Note :  $Z(V_{\mu}) \equiv Z(A_{\mu})$ 

$$J^{(1)}$$
 versus  $J^{(1),sub}$ 

aM <sub>0</sub>	$ J^{(1)} /J^{(0)}$ [%]	$ J^{(1),sub} /J^{(0)}$ [%]
$2.8(\underline{B_s})$	9.0(4)	3.7(4)
2.1	11.7(4)	5.0(4)
1.6	14.7(4)	6.4(4)
1.2	18.3(4)	7.8(4)
1.0	20.7(4)	8.6(4)

Quenched NRQCD/Clover results at the physical  $B_s$ 

$\beta$	$ J^{(1)} /J^{(0)}$ [%]	$ J^{(1),sub} /J^{(0)}$ [%]
5.7	$\sim 8$	$\sim 4$
6.0	$\sim 10$	$\sim$ 4
6.2	$\sim 13.5$	$\sim 5$

Much better scaling for  $J^{(1),sub}$ .

### Matching Coefficients $\rho_i$



 $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha/M)$  Corrections to  $\Phi = f_{H_s} \sqrt{M_{H_s}}$ 



1/M current corrections to semi-leptonic form factors will be discussed later.

Heavy-Light Meson Decay Constants

(Alan Gray, Matt Wingate, et al.)

To date, all our results are from the coarser MILC configurations with  $a^{-1} \sim 1.6 {\rm GeV}$ .

$aM_0$	$u_0 am_q(sea)$	$u_0 am_q(valence)$		
2.8	0.01	0.05, 0.04, 0.02, 0.01 0.005		
2.1	0.01	0.04		
1.9	0.01	0.04		
1.6	0.01	0.04		
1.2	0.01	0.04		
1.0	0.01	0.04		
2.8	0.02	0.04, 0.02		
2.1	0.02	0.04		
1.9	0.02	0.04		
1.6	0.02	0.04		
1.2	0.02	0.04		
1.0	0.02	0.04		

**Results for**  $f_{B_s}$  and  $f_{D_s}$ (Matt Wingate, et al.; PRL 92, 2004)

We find,

$$f_{B_s} = 260 \pm 7 \pm 26 \pm 8 \pm 5 \ MeV$$

$$f_{D_s} = 290 \pm 20 \pm 29 \pm 29 \pm 6 \ MeV$$

The dominant systematic error for  $f_{B_s}$  comes from uncertainties in higher order perturbative matching.

 $f_{H_s}\sqrt{M_{H_s}}$  versus  $1/M_{H_s}$ 



### $f_B$ and Chiral Extrapolation to Physical B

During the past year we have worked hard on reducing statistical errors in decay constant calculations, especially at lighter light quark masses.

We find that smearing the heavy quarks and employing a matrix of smeared correlators significantly reduces errors.

We have also started to implement the **Staggered Chiral PT** formulas of Aubin & Bernard for heavy-light physics.

Work is still underway to accumulate more fully unquenched data on the coarser and finer MILC lattices.

### Effect of Smearing on $\Phi_B = f_B \sqrt{M_B}$



$$\xi = \Phi_{B_s} / \Phi_B$$
 versus  $m_q$ 



### $\Phi_B$ versus $m_q$ and $\overline{S\chi PT}$

Uses  $S\chi PT$  of Aubin & Bernard

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### $\Phi_B$ versus $m_q$ and $S\chi PT$

Uses  $S\chi PT$  of Aubin & Bernard

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### **B** Semileptonic Decay Form Factors

(Emel Gulez, J.S. et al.)

aM <sub>0</sub>	$u_0 am_q(sea)$	$u_0 am_q(valence)$
2.8	0.01	0.04, 0.02, 0.01, 0.005
2.8	0.02	0.02

Simulations at other dynamical quark masses and on finer lattices are underway.

Since LAT'04 we are,

- accummulating more fully unquenched data
- analysing dimension four  $(1/M, \alpha/M \text{ and } a\alpha)$  current corrections to the form factors.
- starting to think about  $S\chi PT$  chiral extrapolations

3-pnt Correlators

$$C^{(3)}(\vec{p}_{\pi}, \vec{p}_{B}, t, T_{B}) = \sum_{\vec{z}} \sum_{\vec{y}} \langle \Phi_{\pi}(0) J^{\mu}(\vec{z}, t) \Phi_{B}^{\dagger}(\vec{y}, T_{B}) \rangle e^{i\vec{p}_{B}\cdot\vec{y}} e^{i(\vec{p}_{\pi} - \vec{p}_{B})\cdot\vec{z}}$$

 $\vec{p}_B = 0$  throughout and  $T_B = 16$  (also 20)

<u>Fits</u> :

$$C^{(3)}(\vec{p}_{\pi}, \vec{p}_{B}, t, T_{B}) \rightarrow N_{\pi} - 1 \sum_{k=0}^{N_{\pi} - 1} \sum_{j=0}^{N_{B} - 1} (-1)^{k*t} (-1)^{j*(T_{B} - t)} \times A_{jk} e^{-E_{\pi}^{(k)}t} e^{-E_{B}^{(j)}(T_{B} - t)}$$

Most fits used  $N_{\pi} = 1$  and  $N_B = 3 - 8$  (Bayesian fits)

Goal is to extract  $\implies$   $A_0$ 

#### Fit to B- correlator

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### Fit to $\langle \pi | V_k | B angle$

![](_page_30_Figure_1.jpeg)

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#### Form Factors

$$\langle \pi(p_{\pi}) | V^{\mu} | B(p_{B}) \rangle = f_{+}(q^{2}) \left[ p_{B}^{\mu} + p_{\pi}^{\mu} - \frac{M_{B}^{2} - m_{\pi}^{2}}{q^{2}} q^{\mu} \right]$$

$$+ f_{0}(q^{2}) \frac{M_{B}^{2} - m_{\pi}^{2}}{q^{2}} q^{\mu}$$

$$= \sqrt{2M_{B}} \left[ v^{\mu} f_{\parallel} + p_{\perp}^{\mu} f_{\perp} \right]$$

$$v^{\mu} = \frac{p_{B}^{\mu}}{M_{B}}, \ p_{\perp}^{\mu} = p_{\pi}^{\mu} - (p_{\pi} \cdot v) v^{\mu}, \ q^{\mu} = p_{B}^{\mu} - p_{\pi}^{\mu}$$

$$f_{\parallel} = \frac{A_{00}(V^{0})}{\sqrt{\zeta_{\pi}^{(0)}\zeta_{B}^{(0)}}} \sqrt{2E_{\pi}} Z_{V_{0}}$$
$$f_{\perp} = \frac{A_{00}(V^{k})}{\sqrt{\zeta_{\pi}^{(0)}\zeta_{B}^{(0)}}} \sqrt{2E_{\pi}} Z_{V_{k}}$$

 $Z_{V_0}$ ,  $Z_{V_k}$  estimated via 1-loop pert. th.

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Results for  $f_{\perp}$ 

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Chiral Extrapolations for  $f_{\perp}$ 

![](_page_35_Figure_1.jpeg)

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#### Becirevic-Kaidalov (BK) Parametrization

This ansatz satisfies :

- $-f_+(0) = f_0(0)$
- HQET scaling laws
- position of pole at  $q^2 = M_{B^*}^2$

$$f_{+}(q^{2}) = \frac{C_{B}(1-\alpha_{B})}{(1-\tilde{q}^{2})(1-\alpha_{B}\tilde{q}^{2})} \qquad f_{0}(q^{2}) = \frac{C_{B}(1-\alpha_{B})}{(1-\tilde{q}^{2}/\beta_{B})}$$

 $(\tilde{q}^2 \equiv q^2/M_{B^*}^2)$ 

The chirally extrapolated  $f_0 \& f_+$  are fit very well by a BK ansatz using the physical  $M_{B^*}$  mass and

 $C_B = 0.42(3)$   $\alpha_B = 0.41(7)$   $\beta_B = 1.18(5)$ 

which leads to  $f_0(0) = f_+(0) = 0.25(2)$ .

![](_page_37_Figure_0.jpeg)

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Extracting  $|V_{ub}|$ , Lattice + CLEO

Several experimental groups are studying the process  $B \longrightarrow \pi^+, e^- \overline{\nu}$ CLEO, BaBar, Belle

Using lattice determination of  $f_+(q^2)$  one can integrate

$$\frac{1}{|V_{ub}|^2} \frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} = \frac{G_F^2}{24\pi^3} p_\pi^3 |f_+(q^2)|^2$$
  
to get  $\frac{\Gamma}{|V_{ub}|^2} \implies |V_{ub}|$ 

Using branching fractions  $\Gamma/\Gamma_{full}$  from CLEO [S.B.Athar et al., PRD 68,072003 (2003)] we find,

(Preliminary)

$$|V_{ub}| = \begin{cases} 3.86(32)(58) \times 10^{-3} & 0 \le q^2 \le q_{max}^2 \\ 3.52(73)(44) \times 10^{-3} & 16GeV^2 \le q^2 \end{cases}$$

Extracting  $|V_{ub}|$ , Lattice + Belle

[Belle collaboration contribution to ICHEP'04] (K.Abe et al.,hep-ex/0408145)

![](_page_39_Figure_2.jpeg)

Improvements

- other dynamical quark masses (more fully unquenched results)
- 1/M current corrections
- better chiral extrapolations based on  $S\chi PT$  (Aubin & Bernard).
- use Moving NRQCD to get to lower  $q^2$  (K.Foley, LAT'04)
- work with finer MILC configurations

# Systematic Errors

	order	error	how to improve	status
matching	$\alpha_s^2$	9%	do 2-loop	about to
			matching	embark
relativistic +	$\frac{\Lambda}{M}$ , $\frac{\alpha_s}{(aM)}$		include mixing	
finite a	$\frac{\alpha_s \Lambda}{M}$ , $a \alpha_s$	5%	with Dim.4	done
corrections			currents	
chiral		5%	use $S\chi PT$	
extrapolations			check $m_l^{sea}$ dep.	in progress
finite a error	$a^2 \alpha_s$	2%	improve action	
in action			finer lattices	in progress
Total		11%		

### $f_{\perp}$ at Two Sea Quark Masses

 $u_0 am_q(valence)$  fixed at 0.02

![](_page_42_Figure_2.jpeg)

1/M Current Corrections (revisited)

For  $V_0$ ,  $A_0$ :

$$J_{0}^{(0)}(x) = \bar{q}(x) \Gamma_{0} Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{0}^{(1)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \Gamma_{0} \gamma \cdot \nabla Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{0}^{(2)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \gamma \cdot \overleftarrow{\nabla} \gamma_{0} \Gamma_{0} Q(x).$$

and for  $V_k$ ,  $A_k$  :

$$J_{k}^{(0)}(x) = \bar{q}(x) \Gamma_{k} Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{k}^{(1)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \Gamma_{k} \gamma \cdot \nabla Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{k}^{(2)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \gamma \cdot \overleftarrow{\nabla} \gamma_{0} \Gamma_{k} Q(x),$$
  

$$J_{k}^{(3)}(x) = \frac{-1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \nabla_{k} Q(x)$$
  

$$J_{k}^{(4)}(x) = \frac{1}{2M_{0}} \bar{q}(x) \overleftarrow{\nabla}_{k} Q(x),$$

 $V_0^{(1)}/V_0^{(0)}$  versus Pion Energy

![](_page_44_Figure_1.jpeg)

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 $V_k^{(4)}/V_k^{(0)}$  versus Pion Energy

![](_page_45_Figure_1.jpeg)

multiplied by  $\rho_4 \alpha_s = -0.029 \alpha_s$ 

 $\frac{V_k^{(3)}}{V_k^{(0)}}$  versus Pion Energy

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multiplied by  $\rho_3 \alpha_s = 0.218 \alpha_s$ 

 $\frac{V_k^{(2)}}{V_k^{(0)}}$  versus Pion Energy

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multiplied by  $\rho_2 \alpha_s = 0.169 \alpha_s$ 

 $V_k^{(1)}/V_k^{(0)}$  versus Pion Energy

![](_page_48_Figure_1.jpeg)

subtract  $\zeta_{10} \alpha_s = 0.055 \alpha_s$ 

multiply by  $[1 + \rho_1 \alpha_s] = [1 + 0.349 \alpha_s]$ 

#### Effect of 1/M Current Corrections on $f_{||}$

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#### Effect of 1/M Current Corrections on $f_{\perp}$

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## **Summary and Future Plans**

The general availability of the MILC dynamical configurations and the use of improved staggered valence quarks in heavy-light simulations, have led to significant progress in heavy meson decay constant and semi-leptonic form factor determinations.

Much work remains to be done, however.

• more fully unquenched data and simulations on finer lattices

- further development of Moving NRQCD
- determination of  $B_B$
- Higher order matching of lattice operators

Work on all these fronts is underway.