

Are there quirks in the $D \rightarrow \pi l^+ l^-$ decays ?

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Introduction

- $D^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \ell^+ \ell^-$ - the simplest decay with $c \rightarrow u \ell^+ \ell^-$ transition
- FCNC in the charmed sector, **enhanced in various BSM scenarios**
- in SM the smallness of

$$\left| \frac{\lambda_b}{\lambda_d} \right| \equiv \left| \frac{V_{ub} V_{cb}^*}{V_{ud} V_{cd}^*} \right| \sim 0.7 \times 10^{-3}$$

and the CKM unitarity $\lambda_d + \lambda_s + \lambda_b = 0$ yield $\lambda_s \simeq -\lambda_d$

- two different approximations: **GIM limit, $\lambda_b = 0$, $\lambda_d = -\lambda_s$**
 $SU(3)_{fl}$ limit, $m_s = m_{u,d}$

- effective Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{(\Delta S=0)} = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{D=d,s} \lambda_D \left[C_1(\mu) O_1^D + C_2(\mu) O_2^D \right] - \lambda_b \sum_{i=3}^{10} C_i(\mu) O_i,$$

$$O_1^D = (\bar{u}_L \gamma_\mu \mathcal{D}_L) (\bar{D}_L \gamma^\mu c_L), \quad O_2^D = (\bar{u}_L \gamma_\mu t^a \mathcal{D}_L) (\bar{D}_L \gamma^\mu t^a c_L), \quad (D = d, s),$$

- the Wilson coefficients
at $\mu = 1.3$ GeV at NNLO:

$$C_1 = 1.034, \quad C_2 = -0.633,$$

$$|C_{3,\dots,8}| < 0.09, \quad C_9 = -0.488, \quad C_{10} = 0$$

- Hamiltonian in the GIM limit:

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{(\Delta S=0, \lambda_b=0)} = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \lambda_d \left[C_1 (O_1^d - O_1^s) + C_2 (O_2^d - O_2^s) \right]$$

- the largest effect beyond GIM limit $\sim \lambda_b C_9$



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Higher-order Wilson coefficients for $c \rightarrow u$ transitions in the standard model

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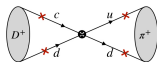
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Decay mechanism

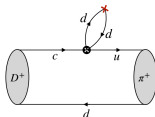
- Singly-Cabibbo-suppressed (SCS) weak transition
 \oplus e.m. lepton pair emission
- the two topologies:

annihilation \Rightarrow

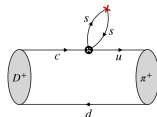


(a)

d, s loops \Rightarrow



(b)



(c)

- the decay amplitude:

$$A(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \ell^+ \ell^-) = \left(\frac{16\pi\alpha_{em}G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \lambda_d \frac{\bar{u}_\ell(q_-)\gamma^\mu v_\ell(q_+)}{q^2} \mathcal{A}_\mu^{(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma^*)}(p, q),$$

- hadronic matrix element – a “nonlocal form factor”

cf. $B \rightarrow K \ell \ell$ with a different hierarchy of topologies

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_\mu^{(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma^*)}(p, q) &= i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle \pi^+(p) | T \left\{ j_\mu^{em}(x), H_{\text{eff}}^{(\Delta S=0, \lambda_b=0)}(0) \right\} | D^+(p+q) \rangle \\ &= \left[(p \cdot q) q_\mu - q^2 p_\mu \right] A^{(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma^*)}(q^2), \end{aligned}$$

- we need this amplitude at $0 < q^2 < (m_D - m_\pi)^2$

Employing the U -spin symmetry

- adopting, in addition to GIM, also the $SU(3)_{fl}$ limit.
- the three Hamiltonians of CF, SCS, DCS form a U -triplet:

$$O_1^{(U=1)} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} (\bar{u}_L \gamma_\mu s_L) (\bar{d}_L \gamma^\mu c_L) \\ 1/\sqrt{2} [(\bar{u}_L \gamma_\mu d_L) (\bar{d}_L \gamma^\mu c_L) - (\bar{u}_L \gamma_\mu s_L) (\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu c_L)] \\ (\bar{u}_L \gamma_\mu d_L) (\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu c_L) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} - & |1, +1\rangle \\ - & |1, 0\rangle \\ - & |1, -1\rangle \end{pmatrix},$$

- adding e.m. interaction does not alter the U -spin properties

$$\tilde{O}_\mu^{(U=1)}(q) = i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} T \{ j_\mu^{em}(x), [C_1(\mu) O_1^{U=1}(0) + C_2(\mu) O_2^{U=1}(0)] \}.$$

- new relations (two independent U -invariant amplitudes)

$$\begin{aligned} A^{(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma^*)}(q^2) &= -A^{(D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ \gamma^*)}(q^2) = A^{(D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma^*)}(q^2) = A^{(D^+ \rightarrow K^+ \gamma^*)}(q^2) \\ A^{(D^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 \gamma^*)}(q^2) &= A^{(D^0 \rightarrow K^0 \gamma^*)}(q^2) = -1/2 A^{(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma^*)}(q^2) + \sqrt{3}/2 A^{(D^0 \rightarrow \eta_8 \gamma^*)}(q^2) \\ A^{(D^0 \rightarrow \eta_8 \gamma^*)}(q^2) &= -\sqrt{3} A^{(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma^*)}(q^2), \\ A^{(D^0 \rightarrow \eta' \gamma^*)}(q^2) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

- in this limit only the **annihilation topology** contributes
- measuring the CF modes, e.g. $D_s \rightarrow \pi^+ \ell^+ \ell^-$ will allow to disentangle this topology

Use of QCD factorization

- the method suggested originally for $B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$ decays
M. Beneke, T. Feldmann and D. Seidel, [arXiv:hep-ph/0106067 [hep-ph]].
- first used for $D \rightarrow \rho \ell^+ \ell^-$ in
T. Feldmann, B. Müller and D. Seidel, [arXiv:1705.05891 [hep-ph]].
 - the loop topology diagram modified to include resonances
(Shifman model of loop-resonance duality)
- a similar method applied to $D \rightarrow \pi \ell^+ \ell^-$:
A. Bharucha, D. Boito and C. Meaux, [arXiv:2011.12856 [hep-ph]].

- annihilation at LO,
included is only one of the four diagrams
(emission from the initial d -quark)
- some NLO and nonfactorizable
corrections to the loop topology
- missing $1/m_C^2$ corrections
e.g., use of D -meson distribution
amplitude

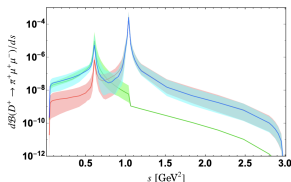


Figure 4. Distribution of the $B(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-)$ in the SM. In blue the total branching ratio, in red the contribution from $Y^{(d)}$, and in green that of $C_9^{(d)}$ including resonance effects as per eq. (4.18). The error bands on the SM prediction, determined as explained in section 4.3, are shaded.

What does experiment tell us?

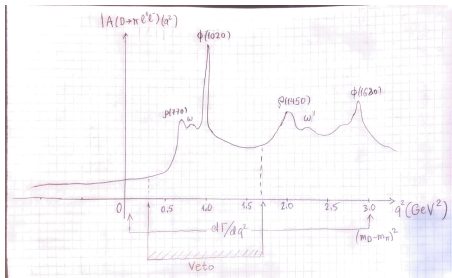
- Upper bounds from PDG :

Decay mode	Cabibbo hierarchy	BR, exp. upper limit [10]
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \ell^+ \ell^-$	SCS	$1.1 \times 10^{-6} (\ell = e)$ $6.7 \times 10^{-8} (\ell = \mu)$
$D^+ \rightarrow K^+ \ell^+ \ell^-$	DCS	$8.5 \times 10^{-7} (\ell = e)$ $5.4 \times 10^{-8} (\ell = \mu)$
$D^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$	CF	$2.4 \times 10^{-5} (\ell = e)$ $2.6 \times 10^{-4} (\ell = \mu)$
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$	SCS	$4 \times 10^{-6} (\ell = e)$ $1.8 \times 10^{-4} (\ell = \mu)$
$D^0 \rightarrow \eta \ell^+ \ell^-$	SCS	$3 \times 10^{-6} (\ell = e)$ $5.3 \times 10^{-4} (\ell = \mu)$
$D^0 \rightarrow \eta' \ell^+ \ell^-$	SCS	-
$D^0 \rightarrow K^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$	DCS	-
$D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \ell^+ \ell^-$	CF	$5.5 \times 10^{-6} (\ell = e)$ $1.8 \times 10^{-7} (\ell = \mu)$
$D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ \ell^+ \ell^-$	SCS	$3.7 \times 10^{-6} (\ell = e)$ $1.4 \times 10^{-7} (\ell = \mu)$

Table 1. The $D_{(s)} \rightarrow P \ell^+ \ell^-$ decay modes and their currently measured upper limits of the branching fractions.

- Most recent LHCb measurements: [\[2011.00217\]](#)
vetoing the region [525 MeV, 1250 MeV]

Can we isolate resonances ?



- The full amplitude represented via hadronic dispersion relation (modulo subtraction)

$$A(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma^*)(q^2) = \sum_{V=\rho, \omega, \phi} \frac{f_V |A_{D^+ \pi^+ V}| e^{i\varphi_V}}{(m_V^2 - q^2 - im_V \Gamma_V^{tot})} + \int_{s_0^h}^{\infty} ds \frac{\rho_h(s)}{s - q^2 - i\epsilon}.$$

$A_{D^+ \pi^+ V}$ - amplitude of nonleptonic $D \rightarrow \pi V$ decay, f_V - decay constant

- Dispersion relation tells us:

vetoing a certain q^2 -region does not remove resonances from the amplitude

- the radial excitations of ρ , ω , ϕ and the “tail” at $s > (m_D - m_\pi)^2$ are indispensable (cf. pion e.m. formfactor)

The method: LCSR-supported dispersion relation

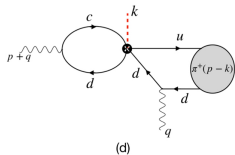
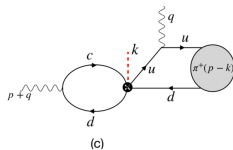
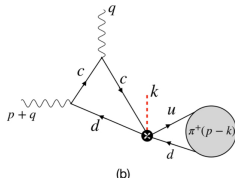
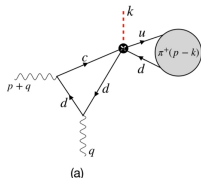
- The idea: to calculate $A^{(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma^*)}(q^2)$ at $q^2 < 0$ from LCSRs and match the result to dispersion relation
- resembling partly the analysis of nonlocal effects in $B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$
AK, T. Mannel and Y. M. Wang [1211.0234], AK and A. V. Rusov [1703.04765],
N. Gubernari, M. Reboud, D. van Dyk and J. Virto, [2011.09813].
- The correlation function depending on $P^2 = (p + q - k)^2, (p + q)^2, q^2$

$$\mathcal{F}_\mu(p, q, k) = - \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \int d^4y e^{-i(p+q) \cdot y} \\ \times \langle \pi^+(p - k) | T \left\{ j_\mu^{em}(x) H_{eff}^{(\Delta S=0, \lambda_b=0)}(0) j_5^D(y) \right\} | 0 \rangle,$$

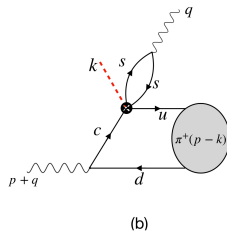
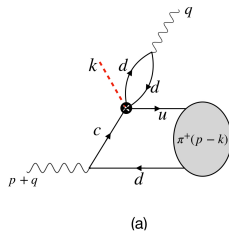
- finite m_c , OPE with pion distribution amplitudes
- introducing artificial four-momentum in the weak vertex
used before in LCSR analysis of $B \rightarrow 2\pi$ and $D \rightarrow 2\pi, K\bar{K}$
AK, [arXiv:hep-ph/0012271]
AK, T. Mannel, M. Melcher and B. Melic, [arXiv: hep-ph/0304179, hep-ph/0509049].
AK and A. A. Petrov, [arXiv:1706.07780].
- common input with LCSRs for $D \rightarrow \pi$ form factors
AK, C. Klein, T. Mannel and N. Offen, [arXiv:0907.2842 [hep-ph]].

the LO diagrams

- annihilation diagram



- loop diagrams (factorizable into loop function and LCSR for $D \rightarrow \pi$ FF)



getting the LCSR

- dispersion relation at $q^2 < 0$ in D -meson channel

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{m_c^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\text{Im} F^{(OPE)}(s, q^2, P^2 = m_D^2)}{s - (p+q)^2} = \frac{m_D^2 f_D A^{(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma^*)}(q^2)}{m_D^2 - (p+q)^2} + \int_{s_{hd}}^{\infty} ds \frac{\rho_{hd}(s, q^2, P^2 = m_D^2)}{s - (p+q)^2},$$

- quark-hadron duality in D meson channel and Borel transform

$$A^{(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma^*)}(q^2) = \frac{e^{-m_D^2/M^2}}{m_D^2 f_D} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{m_c^2}^{s_0^D} ds e^{-s/M^2} \text{Im} F^{(OPE)}(s, q^2, m_D^2), \quad (2)$$

- using this result valid at $q^2 < 0$ we will fit the unknown parameters of the hadronic dispersion relation,
using data on nonleptonic $D \rightarrow \pi V$ amplitudes and f_V
- going beyond GIM limit is straightforward:

$$A^{(O_9)}(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \ell^+ \ell^-) = -\frac{\alpha_{em} G_F}{\sqrt{2} \pi} \lambda_b C_9 [\bar{u}_\ell(q_+) \gamma_\mu u_\ell(q_-)] p^\mu [f_{D\pi}^+(q^2)]_{LCSR},$$

- Numerical analysis at LO in progress ,
- what else can be done:
 - soft-gluon corrections to annihilation
 - CF modes, $m_s \neq 0$ in the correlator, pion DA \rightarrow kaon DA
 - varying resonance ansatz in the dispersion relation,
including η as well as ρ' , ω' , ϕ' , employing Shifman model
 - beyond GIM limit: CP-asymmetry, inflating C_9 (BSM) etc
- to test SM in these decays: need measurements of the differential decay rates $d\Gamma/dq^2(D_{(s)} \rightarrow P\ell^+\ell^-)$ in the whole q^2 region