MATRICES ELEMENTS OF 4-FERMION OPERATORS
WITH QUENCHED WILSON FERMIONS

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Abstract

We present results for the matrix elements of a variety of four-fermion operators calculated using quenched Wilson fermions. Our simulations are done on 170 lattices of size $32^3 \times 64$ at $\beta = 6.0$. We find $B_K = 0.74 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.05$, $B_D = 0.78 \pm 0.01$, $B^{2/2}_e = 0.58 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$, $B^{3/2}_s = 0.81 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.03$, with all results being in the NDR scheme at $\mu = 2$ GeV. We also calculate the B-parameter for the operator $Q_s$, which is needed in the study of the difference of B-meson lifetimes. Our best estimate is $B_S(\text{NDR, } \mu = 1/a = 2.33 \text{ GeV}) = 0.80 \pm 0.01$. This is given at the lattice scale since the required 2-loop anomalous dimension matrix is not known. In all these estimates, the first error is statistical, while the second is due to the use of truncated perturbation theory to match continuum and lattice operators. Errors due to quenching and lattice discretization are not included. We also present new results for the perturbative matching coefficients, extending the calculation to all Lorentz scalar four-fermion operators, and using NDR as the continuum scheme.
1 Introduction

One of the central goals of lattice QCD is to calculate hadronic matrix elements of phenomenological interest [1, 2]. We present here results for the matrix elements of a variety of four-fermion operators: $B_K$, which is needed as input for estimates of CP violation in $K^-\bar{K}$ mixing; $B_D$, required to estimate $D-\bar{D}$ mixing, and an indication of the result for $B$ mesons; $B_{I=3/2}^7$ and $B_{I=3/2}^8$, which determine the dominant contribution of electromagnetic penguins to $\epsilon'/\epsilon$; and a new quantity, $B_S$, needed as part of an estimate of the lifetime difference between $B$ mesons [3].

Our results are obtained using Wilson fermions in the quenched approximation. The use of Wilson fermions makes it more difficult to extract quantities which are constrained by chiral symmetry. This is a problem for the calculation of $B_K$, and our results are not competitive with those from staggered fermions. Our aim here is to gain experience at reducing systematic errors. The other matrix elements are not constrained by chiral symmetry, and for these it is more straightforward to use Wilson than staggered fermions.

Compared to previous work with Wilson fermions, our study uses larger lattices ($32^3 \times 64$), which should make finite volume effects negligible and reduces the statistical errors, has improved statistics (170 lattices), and uses a larger range of light quark masses ($0.3m_s,phys - 2m_s,phys$). The latter improvement allows us to do more reliable chiral extrapolations, since we can include terms of $O(m_K^4)$. We have results at only a single lattice spacing, $\beta \equiv 6/g^2 = 6$, so we cannot extrapolate to the continuum limit of the quenched theory. What we provide is one point with statistical errors small enough that systematic errors due to chiral extrapolations and the truncation of perturbation theory can be quantified.

As an adjunct to our numerical results, we have extended previous calculations of the perturbative matching coefficients between lattice and continuum operators. We also present a renormalization group improved matching formula which incorporates tadpole improved lattice perturbation theory.

The plan of the paper is as follows. We begin, in Sec. 2, by summarizing our results. In Sec. 3 we describe the various technical details pertinent to this calculation. Section 4 summarizes the matching between lattice and continuum operators. Results for the various $B$-parameters are given in the final four sections. We discuss two technical issues in appendices. Appendix A describes a renormalization group improved matching formula, while in Appendix B we present general formulae for the one-loop matching coefficients for all Lorentz scalar four-fermion operators between the lattice and the NDR scheme.

2 Summary of results

We begin with our result for $B_K$ (defined in Eq. 5.1):

$$B_K(NDR, 2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.74 \pm 0.04(\text{stat}) \pm 0.05(\text{subt}) .$$

The second error is an estimate of the uncertainty due to our method of subtracting chiral artifacts. This is a considerable improvement over our previous work [3]—the statistical error has been reduced by a factor of $\sim 6$, and we have better control over the systematic errors.

It is interesting to compare our result to those other recent high statistics calculations at or near the same lattice spacing, particularly since all use different subtraction methods. Bernard and Soni use Wilson fermions at $\beta = 6$ on $24^3 \times 39$ lattices [4], and find $B_K = 0.67 \pm 0.07$. Their subtraction method uses off-shell matrix elements [3] whereas ours uses on-shell matrix elements.
at finite momentum transfer. One concern with their result is that they use larger quark masses, which, according to our analysis, may lead to an overestimate of $B_K$. Nevertheless, it is encouraging that the results agree.

The APE group has used improved “clover” fermions and a non-perturbative determination of the matching coefficients \cite{APE}. Their non-perturbatively matched operator has the correct chiral behavior. They present their result (from $\beta = 6$ on $18^3 \times 64$ lattices) in the “regularization independent” scheme, $B_K(\text{RI}, 2.02 \text{ GeV}) = 0.62(11)$. The numerical value is unchanged upon conversion to NDR, and is consistent with our result. The two results can differ by terms of $O(a)$, but the errors are too large to resolve any difference.

The JLQCD collaboration has recently presented results using Wilson fermions and a non-perturbative determination of matching coefficients \cite{JLQCD}. They find, at $\beta = 5.9$ and 6.1, that $B_K(\text{NDR}, 2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.48 \pm 0.05$ and $0.70 \pm 0.07$, respectively. They also have a result for the value in the continuum limit, $B_K(\text{NDR}, 2 \text{ GeV}, a = 0) = 0.59 \pm 0.08$. The latter two numbers are consistent with our result, while the former is not. Our methods seem to work comparably well—the final errors are similar based on similar samples and lattice sizes. It will be interesting to use their non-perturbative matching coefficients with our data to evaluate the accuracy of the procedure we use to remove the lattice artifacts in the chiral expansion.

Finally, we compare our result with that from staggered fermions. We expect that the two should agree up to corrections of $O(a)$. At $\beta = 6.0$, different choices of discretized staggered operators give results in the range $0.68 - 0.71$ \cite{staggered1, staggered2, staggered3, staggered4}, with statistical errors of 0.01 or smaller. Our results are consistent with these, but our errors are too large to allow us to see the expected $O(a)$ differences.

Our final results for $B$-parameters for $D$ mesons (defined in Eq. \ref{eq:BD}) are

\begin{align}
B_D(\text{NDR}, \mu = 2 \text{ GeV}) & = 0.785 \pm 0.015, \tag{2.2} \\
B_{D_s}(\text{NDR}, \mu = 2 \text{ GeV}) & = 0.83 \pm 0.01, \tag{2.3} \\
B_{D_s}/B_D & = 1.047 \pm 0.014. \tag{2.4}
\end{align}

The errors are much smaller than for $B_K$ as we need make no corrections for mixing with wrong chirality operators. Thus, for this calculation, we are at a point where the remaining systematic errors (finite lattice spacing and quenching) are likely to be larger than the statistical errors. These results are consistent with those previously obtained (see, for example, the compilation in Refs. \cite{previous1} and \cite{previous2}), but have considerably smaller errors.

Our final results for the $B$-parameters of the $I = 3/2$ parts of the operators $Q_7$ and $Q_8$ (defined in Eqs. \ref{eq:Q7}--\ref{eq:Q8}) are

\begin{align}
B_7^{3/2}(\text{NDR}, 2 \text{ GeV}) & = 0.58 \pm 0.02(\text{stat})^{+0.07}_{-0.03}(\text{pert}), \tag{2.5} \\
B_8^{3/2}(\text{NDR}, 2 \text{ GeV}) & = 0.81 \pm 0.03(\text{stat})^{+0.03}_{-0.02}(\text{pert}). \tag{2.6}
\end{align}

The “perturbative error” reflects the dependence of the results on the choice of $\alpha_s$ used in the matching of continuum and lattice operators, and is comparable to or larger than the statistical errors. The perturbative error could be removed by the use of non-perturbative matching coefficients, but these are not yet available for $Q_7$ and $Q_8$. Our results are consistent with those we found previously \cite{previous3}, the apparent difference being due to the use of a different continuum regularization.
scheme, a different final scale, and a different choice of $\alpha_s$ in the matching of continuum and lattice operators.

Our values are smaller than the numbers used by Lusignoli et al.\cite{1} and Ciuchini et al.\cite{16} in their analyses of predictions for $\ell'/\ell$: they take $B^{3/2}_7 = B^{3/2}_8 = 1.0 \pm 0.1$. This difference is important because a smaller $B_8$ means a larger $\ell'/\ell$.

The final quantities we consider are $B_S \equiv B^+_4$ and the related parameter $B^+_5$ [defined in Eqs. 8.1 and 8.2]. What is of interest for phenomenology is the value of $B_S$ for $\bar{b}s$ mesons. The closest we can come is the result for $b$ quark with roughly the mass of the charm, which is

\begin{align}
B^+_4(\text{NDR}, 1/a) & = 0.80 \pm 0.01(\text{stat}), \\
B^+_5(\text{NDR}, 1/a) & = 0.94 \pm 0.01(\text{stat}).
\end{align}

We have to quote these results at $\mu = 1/a = 2.33$ GeV because the two-loop anomalous dimension matrix needed to run to 2 GeV has not been calculated. For the same reason, we cannot estimate a “perturbative” error.

There are no previous results for these $B$-parameters using propagating heavy quarks. Recently, Giménez and Martinelli have calculated $B_S$ in the static limit, $m_b \to \infty$\cite{17}. Their lattice result, also at $\beta = 6.0$ but without including any perturbative corrections, is $B^G_{SM} = -(5/8)B_S = -(0.60 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.03)$. While this is $\approx 20\%$ larger than our result, the above mentioned differences preclude any meaningful comparison.

3 Technical Details

We use a sample of 170 gauge configurations of size $32^3 \times 64$ generated at $\beta = 6$ in the quenched approximation. In the following we outline the method we have used to calculate matrix elements of four-fermion operators. Further details of our update and inversion algorithms, and of our determination of quark masses, can be found in Ref.\cite{14}.

3.1 Quark propagators

In our approach we need two kinds of quark propagators: one which allows for the creation of mesons with an explicit zero-momentum projection, and the other that allows good overlap with a range of lattice momenta. For the former we use wall sources (on a time slice fixed to Coulomb gauge); for the latter, gauge invariant Wuppertal sources. Both are calculated using periodic boundary conditions in all directions. We calculate propagators at five quark masses: $\kappa = 0.135$ ($C$), 0.153 ($S$), 0.155 ($U_1$), 0.1558 ($U_2$), and 0.1563 ($U_3$). These quark masses correspond to pseudoscalar mesons of mass 2835, 983, 690, 545 and 431 MeV respectively. Here, as in the following, we have used $1/a = 2.330(41)$ GeV, the scale we determined in Ref.\cite{14} using $M_\rho$.

With these five flavors we construct 15 distinct “kaons”, whose matrix elements we then study. The three $U_i$ quarks allow us to extrapolate to the physical isospin symmetric light quark mass $m = (m_u + m_d)/2$, whose value is determined by matching $M_\pi/M_\rho$ to experiment. The physical value of strange quark mass, determined using $M_\phi/M_\rho$, lies between $S$ and $U_1$, and we use these two points to interpolate to it. It turns out that other ways of determining $m_s$, e.g. matching to $M^2_\pi/M^2_K$, lead to values differing by $\sim 20\%$. To estimate the uncertainty that this introduces, we calculate kaon matrix elements in two ways: by interpolating to our standard $m_s$, and by directly using the results for $U_2 U_3$, which turns out to have almost exactly the physical kaon mass, albeit for
almost degenerate quarks. For $B_K$, $B_R^{3/2}$, and $B_S^{3/2}$, the difference between the two results turn out to be much smaller than other errors, so we do not quote a systematic error due to the uncertainty in setting $m_s$. In case of $B_{D_s}$ and $B_S$, the difference between using $m_s(M_K)$ and $m_s(M_\phi)$ is $\approx 1\%$ with $m_s(M_\phi)$ giving the larger value. For reasons explained in \cite{14}, we believe that $m_s(M_\phi)$ gives a better estimate of $m_s$, and we use this value consistently for our final results. To illustrate the details of our analysis we often use results from $U_2U_3$ as they are very close to the physical kaon mass.

Finally, we take the physical charm mass to be $C$. With this choice the experimental values of $M_D$, $M_D^*$ and $M_{D_s}$ lie between the static mass $M_1$ (measured from the rate of exponential fall-off of the 2-point function) and the kinetic mass defined as $M_2 \equiv (\partial^2 E/\partial p^2|_{p=0})^{-1}$ \cite{14}.

### 3.2 Extracting the four-fermion matrix elements

We use the same method for calculating matrix elements of four-fermion operators as in our earlier work \cite{4}. The method is illustrated in Fig. 1. The initial pseudoscalar state is created by wall sources at time $T = 0$, and thus has $\vec{p} = (0, 0, 0)$. It propagates both forward and backwards in time. The four-fermion operator is inserted at a time in the range $1 - 31$ ($63 - 33$ for the backward moving particle). The operator insertion is done at the 5 lowest lattice momenta, $\vec{p} = (0, 0, 0), (1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1)$ and $(2, 0, 0)$, averaging over all possible permutations of the components of $\vec{p}$. The pseudoscalar emerging from the four-fermion operator is then destroyed by an operator constructed using Wuppertal sources at $T = 32$. It is essential that this operator have a large coupling to kaons with all the above momenta, and we find that Wuppertal smearing does this well.

In the end, we have two measurements, corresponding to the forward and backward propagation, and, furthermore, each of these is an average over a certain number of time slices.

As shown in Fig 1, we calculate the ratio of the matrix element of the four fermion operator to a product of bilinear matrix elements. The bilinears are either the time component of the axial current or the pseudoscalar density. Each of these bilinear matrix elements is separately averaged over the gauge configurations. In the following we generically refer to the ratios of matrix elements as $B$-parameters. Using ratios cancels both the exponential decay factors and the overlap of the source operators with the kaons. This leads to simplified fitting, and to a reduction in statistical errors. For the renormalized $\Delta S = 2$ LL operator, the $B$-parameter one obtains (using the axial current in the denominator) is proportional to $B_K$. To calculate $B_7$ and $B_8$ and $B_S$ is more complicated, since, as explained below, the denominator involves both axial and pseudoscalar bilinears.

In several applications we need to consider the matrix element of the four fermion operator at intermediate stages of the calculations. This we obtain by multiplying the ratio by the product of bilinear matrix elements, themselves calculated from 2-point functions.

A possible source of systematic error is contamination from excited states. In order to assess the size of this error, we calculate the ratios with sources having two Lorentz structures: either all are pseudoscalars, $J \sim P = (\bar{\psi}_1\gamma_5\psi_2)$, or all are axial vectors $J \sim A_4 = (\bar{\psi}_1\gamma_4\gamma_5\psi_2)$. The resulting $B$-parameters should be same in both cases, but we find that the convergence is from opposite directions, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. If the two asymptotic results overlap then the effect of contamination is smaller than the statistical errors. We find that the two results do overlap, as illustrated by the Figures, in all channels. The difference between the two cases increases as the quark mass is decreased, growing to $\sim 1\sigma$ for the lightest combination, $U_3U_3$. In practice, we take the average of the results from the two sources as our best estimate.
Figure 1: The ratio of correlations functions that we calculate. The sources $J$ are the same for all four pseudoscalar mesons. We show the picture for the case of propagation forward in time.
Figure 2: $B_K$ (using one-loop matching with $\mu = q^* = 1/a$) as a function of the time slice $T_{op}$ at which the operator is inserted for the two choices of source $J$. The data are for the mass combination $U_2U_3$ with momentum transfer $\vec{p} = (0, 0, 0)$. The fits are shown by the solid line and the errors by the dashed lines. The fit range, $T_{op} = 11 - 21$, is chosen to be midway between the two sources.
Figure 3: Same as Fig. 2 except that the data are for momentum transfer $\vec{p} = (2, 0, 0)$. Because the signal in the backward propagating correlator (which has the non-zero momentum) dies off for $T \lesssim 15$, the fit range is asymmetric.
3.3 Statistical Errors

We estimate errors using single elimination jackknife. We first average the data from the forward and backward propagation of kaons on each configuration. Then, within the jackknife loop, we fit to the ratios for each of the two sources, and average the results of these fits.

4 Operator Mixing and Perturbative Running

In phenomenological applications the matrix elements of operators must be combined with Wilson coefficients. These coefficients have been calculated in continuum perturbation theory in the NDR scheme. Results are available at a number of scales, and we take 2 GeV as our standard. We thus need to relate our results for lattice matrix elements to those for continuum operators in the NDR scheme at 2 GeV.

The general form of the matching formula is

\[ O^{\text{cont}}(\mu)_i = Z(\mu, a)_{ij} O^{\text{latt}}(a)_j, \]

(4.1)

where \( i \) and \( j \) label operators. \( Z \) can be expanded as a power series in \( g^2 \), and typically only the \( O(g^2) \) term is known. Rather than use the direct perturbative expansion, however, it is better to use a renormalization group improved expression. In Appendix A we give such an expression for \( Z \) [Eq. (A.3)] by combining the exact perturbative result of Ji [18] with the improved lattice perturbation theory of Lepage and Mackenzie [13]. The additional input needed is the continuum two-loop anomalous dimension matrix. The improvement is significant numerically when the difference between continuum scale \( \mu = 2 \) GeV and the lattice scales \( 1/a - \pi/a \) becomes substantial, and when the anomalous dimensions are large. The improvement is most important here in the calculations of \( B^{3/2}_{7,8} \).

In practice we use a slightly different improved expression, that from “horizontal matching”, which is given in Eq. (A.14). The numerical difference between the two methods is smaller than our statistical errors.

We need the matching coefficients for the operators with Dirac structure \( \gamma_\mu L \otimes \gamma_\mu L \) (for \( B_K \)), \( \gamma_\mu L \otimes \gamma_\mu R \) (for \( B_7 \) and \( B_8 \)), and \( L \otimes L \) (for \( B_S \)). Those for the first two structures have been previously calculated in Refs. [20, 21], using the DRED (dimensional reduction) scheme or a variant thereof. We have extended these calculations by (i) repeating them for all Lorentz scalar four-fermion operators, including those needed for \( B_S \), and (ii) matching to NDR in the continuum rather than DRED. We give the results in Appendix B. We find that using tadpole improved lattice operators substantially reduces the one-loop corrections [19, 22]. For the local operators we use, tadpole improvement involves changing the normalization of quark fields by replacing \( \sqrt{2\kappa} \) with \( \sqrt{8\kappa_c}\sqrt{1 - 3\kappa/4\kappa_c} \). We make this replacement in our numerical simulations, even though it cancels between the numerator and denominator of the \( B \) parameters.

It turns out that the results for the matching coefficients for local four-fermion operator can be easily generalized from Wilson fermions to those for any improved fermion action. One only needs to know the matching coefficients for the five bilinear operators. We present the results in Appendix B in such a way that this generalization can be straightforwardly implemented.

To carry out the matching we need to choose not only the final continuum scale \( \mu \), but also a scale \( q^* \) related to the truncation of perturbation theory (and explained in detail in Appendix A). For our final results we take \( \mu = 2 \) GeV and vary \( q^* \) in the range \( 2 \) GeV \( \leq q^* \leq \pi/a \), taking \( 1/a \) for our best estimates. At intermediate stages it is convenient to take \( \mu = q^* = 1/a \), which we call
the TAD1 scheme. This corresponds to doing horizontal matching at $1/a$, but no further running in the continuum. This choice has the advantage that our results depend very weakly on the lattice spacing in physical units—the only dependence arises when we have to interpolate to the physical kaon mass.

Finally, we explain how we determine the $\overline{MS}$ coupling constant, which is needed in the matching formula. We do this following Ref. [19], by first solving

$$-\log \Box = \frac{4\pi}{3} \alpha_V (3.41/a)(1 - 1.185\alpha_V)$$

for $\alpha_V$, and then converting to the $\overline{MS}$ scheme using

$$\alpha_{\overline{MS}}(3.41/a) = \alpha_V (e^{5/6} 3.41/a)(1 + 2\alpha_V / \pi).$$

For the plaquette we use $\Box = 0.5937$. We run the coupling to other scales using the two-loop $\beta$–function. This results in $\alpha_s(q^*) = 0.2049, 0.1927, 0.1523$ and $0.1343$ for $q^* = 2$ GeV, $1/a$, $2/a$ and $\pi/a$, respectively.

5 Results for $B_K$

The kaon $B$-parameter is defined in the continuum by

$$B_K(\mu) = \frac{\langle K_0|Q|K_0 \rangle}{(8/3) \langle K_0|\bar{s}_a\gamma_\mu\gamma_5d_a|0 \rangle \langle 0|\bar{s}_b\gamma_\mu\gamma_5d_b|K_0 \rangle},$$

where $Q$ is the left-left $\Delta S = 2$ operator

$$Q = \bar{s}_a\gamma_\mu Ld_a \bar{s}_b\gamma_\mu Ld_b,$$

and $L = (1 - \gamma_5)$. We are ultimately interested in the value of $B_K$ when $Q$ does not insert momentum and when the “kaons” have physical masses. The definition Eq. (5.1) is, however, more general, and is useful at intermediate stages. $B_K$ depends on the renormalization scale, $\mu$, because $Q$ has a non-vanishing anomalous dimension unlike the axial current.

To calculate $B_K$, we use the results of Appendices A and B to match $Q$ to a linear combination of lattice operators with different Lorentz structures. Thus $B_K$ itself is a linear combination of lattice $B$-parameters, which we define to be the ratio of the matrix element of the four-fermion operators [listed in Eq. (B.2)] to

$$(4/3)\langle K_0|\bar{s}_a\gamma_\mu\gamma_5d_a|0 \rangle \langle 0|\bar{s}_b\gamma_\mu\gamma_5d_b|K_0 \rangle.$$

The four-fermion operators in Eq. (B.2) have half the Wick contractions of $Q$, which is why Eq. (5.3) contains $4/3$ in contrast to the $8/3$ in Eq. (5.1). Note that we do not include perturbative matching factors in these $B$-parameters, i.e. the operators in the numerator and denominator are bare lattice operators. In Table I we give our results for all the $B$-parameters for the $U_2U_3$ meson. This is the lattice meson whose mass lies close to that of the physical kaon.

We also include in Table I results for $B_K$ using one-loop matching in the TAD1 scheme, i.e. $\mu = q^* = 1/a$. At tree level, $B_K$ is just the following sum of the $B$-parameters (for definitions see Appendix B)

$$B_K \sim A^i_s + A^i_t + V^i_s + V^i_t + A^2_s + A^2_t + V^2_s + V^2_t.$$
| Column | $P[0]P$ | $A[0]A$ | $P[1]P$ | $A[1]A$ | $P[2]P$ | $A[2]A$ | $P[3]P$ | $A[3]A$ | $P[4]P$ | $A[4]A$ |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| $-\mathcal{P}^1$ | 13.9(1) | 13.4(2) | 9.9(2) | 9.6(2) | 8.5(3) | 7.9(3) | 7.5(4) | 6.7(3) | 7.1(4) | 5.5(4) |
| $-\mathcal{S}^1$ | 3.36(4) | 3.22(7) | 2.31(8) | 2.26(10) | 2.05(12) | 1.89(11) | 1.79(17) | 1.57(14) | 1.50(21) | 1.20(17) |
| $\mathcal{V}_i^1$ | 4.43(5) | 4.20(9) | 2.88(9) | 2.70(12) | 2.41(13) | 2.11(12) | 2.06(18) | 1.66(15) | 1.78(24) | 1.22(21) |
| $\mathcal{V}_i^1$ | 1.62(2) | 1.54(3) | 1.09(3) | 1.03(4) | 0.93(4) | 0.84(4) | 0.80(6) | 0.68(5) | 0.72(8) | 0.52(7) |
| $-A_i^1$ | 3.46(4) | 3.30(6) | 2.34(6) | 2.21(8) | 1.95(8) | 1.73(8) | 1.68(11) | 1.38(9) | 1.51(15) | 1.01(13) |
| $-A_i^1$ | 0.86(1) | 0.81(2) | 0.49(2) | 0.45(2) | 0.37(3) | 0.30(2) | 0.29(4) | 0.19(3) | 0.22(5) | 0.08(5) |
| $T_s^1$ | 15.2(2) | 14.6(2) | 10.5(3) | 10.2(4) | 9.0(4) | 8.4(4) | 7.9(6) | 7.0(5) | 7.1(7) | 5.7(6) |
| $T_t^1$ | 15.3(2) | 14.7(2) | 10.7(3) | 10.4(4) | 9.2(4) | 8.5(4) | 8.0(5) | 7.1(5) | 7.3(7) | 5.7(6) |
| $-\mathcal{P}^2$ | 37.2(3) | 36.0(5) | 26.7(5) | 26.0(6) | 22.9(7) | 21.3(7) | 20.3(9) | 18.0(8) | 19.4(11) | 15.1(10) |
| $-\mathcal{S}^2$ | 4.78(8) | 4.59(12) | 3.30(15) | 3.27(20) | 3.06(23) | 2.79(20) | 2.66(32) | 2.30(24) | 2.13(36) | 1.76(30) |
| $\mathcal{V}_s^2$ | 0.40(1) | 0.37(1) | 0.25(1) | 0.24(2) | 0.19(1) | 0.17(2) | 0.16(2) | 0.12(2) | 0.14(2) | 0.05(3) |
| $\mathcal{V}_t^2$ | 0.15(0) | 0.14(0) | 0.10(0) | 0.09(1) | 0.08(1) | 0.08(1) | 0.08(1) | 0.06(1) | 0.06(1) | 0.04(1) |
| $-A_s^2$ | 2.87(3) | 2.76(4) | 1.98(4) | 1.88(6) | 1.66(6) | 1.54(7) | 1.44(9) | 1.27(8) | 1.35(12) | 1.05(11) |
| $A_t^2$ | -0.17(1) | -0.14(1) | 0.12(1) | 0.14(2) | 0.20(3) | 0.25(3) | 0.25(4) | 0.33(4) | 0.33(5) | 0.39(5) |
| $T_s^2$ | 0.54(1) | 0.51(1) | 0.35(1) | 0.34(1) | 0.29(2) | 0.27(2) | 0.25(2) | 0.23(2) | 0.21(3) | 0.16(3) |
| $T_t^2$ | 0.55(1) | 0.52(1) | 0.36(1) | 0.35(2) | 0.30(2) | 0.28(2) | 0.27(2) | 0.24(2) | 0.22(3) | 0.17(3) |
| $B_K$ | -0.30(1) | -0.28(1) | -0.03(1) | -0.01(2) | 0.09(2) | 0.14(3) | 0.19(3) | 0.23(3) | 0.23(4) | 0.28(6) |
| $B_\tau$ | 0.60(0) | 0.60(1) | 0.61(1) | 0.60(1) | 0.60(1) | 0.61(2) | 0.60(2) | 0.62(2) | 0.64(2) | 0.62(3) |
| $B_8$ | 0.82(0) | 0.82(1) | 0.82(1) | 0.82(1) | 0.82(2) | 0.82(2) | 0.81(3) | 0.84(3) | 0.86(3) | 0.84(4) |
| $B_\tau^+$ | 0.59(0) | 0.59(1) | 0.60(1) | 0.59(1) | 0.61(2) | 0.61(2) | 0.61(2) | 0.61(2) | 0.61(3) | 0.60(3) |
| $B_5^+$ | 0.78(0) | 0.78(1) | 0.79(1) | 0.78(2) | 0.81(2) | 0.80(3) | 0.80(3) | 0.82(3) | 0.81(4) | 0.80(4) |

Table 1: B-parameters (defined in the text) for individual operators without any renormalization factors. The results for $B_K$, $B_\tau^{3/2}$, $B_8^{3/2}$, $B_4^+$ and $B_5^+$ are in the TAD1 scheme. All data are for the mass combination $U_2 U_3$. The data are shown separately for the two types of source $J$ and for the five momentum transfers. The columns are labeled by $J[p^2] J$. 
Table 2: Lattice results for the $B$-parameter of the $\Delta S = 2$ operator $Q$ in the TAD1 scheme. The momentum inserted by the operator is indicated at the top of the columns, and the rows label the meson’s quark combination. Results after momentum subtraction (see text) are given for the ten lightest mesons.

At one-loop, however, all Lorentz structures enter. In the result for $B_K$ we include one-loop matching factors not only in the numerator but also in the denominator, i.e. the lattice axial currents in the denominator have each been multiplied by $Z_A = 1 + \lambda(q^*)c_A$. To reduce errors, we always form the appropriate linear combination of operators in the numerator and denominator before fitting.

The results in the Table indicate the relative size of the matrix elements of the contributing operators. The largest are the those of the pseudoscalars and tensors. The results using the two sources ($J = A_4$ and $P$) agree within errors in most cases. Our best estimate, as explained above, is obtained by averaging the two results. The errors increase as the momentum inserted by the operator increases, but we retain good statistical control for all five momenta. This allows us to see clearly that most of the $B$-parameters have substantial momentum dependence.

In Table 2 we give our results for $B_K$ for all mass combinations. To extract the physical value of $B_K$ we must account for the breaking of chiral symmetry by Wilson fermions. The general form of the chiral expansion of the matrix elements of four-fermion operators is

$$\langle K^0(p_f) | O | K^0(p_i) \rangle \approx (8/3)f_{K,\text{phys}}^2$$

(5.5)

where $f_{K,\text{phys}}$ is the physical kaon decay constant (in lattice units). We are ignoring chiral logarithms and terms proportional to $(m_s - m_d)^2$. The former are difficult to distinguish numerically from the terms we include, while the latter we expect to be small, especially for the range of quark masses studied. We are also assuming that we do not need to include possible $p^4$ terms which violate Lorentz symmetry.

For most operators we expect all terms in Eq. (5.5) to contribute. For $O = Q^\text{cont}$, however, chiral perturbation theory predicts that the matrix element vanishes when $p_i \cdot p_f = 0$, requiring $\alpha$, ...
\[ B_K = \frac{\langle K^0 | Q^\text{cont} | K^0 \rangle}{f_K^2 (8/3) f_K p_i \cdot p_f} = \frac{f_{K,\text{phys}}^2}{f_K^2} (\gamma + \delta_2 m_K^2 + \delta_3 p_i \cdot p_f). \] (5.6)

With Wilson fermions, however, chiral symmetry is broken explicitly. This would not be a problem if one could match with the continuum operator using a nonperturbative method, and if one could extrapolate to the continuum limit. We can do neither of these, and so expect non-zero values of \( \alpha, \beta \) and \( \delta_1 \) proportional to \( ag^2 \) and to \( g^4 \). There will also be artifacts of this order contained in the other coefficients in the chiral expansion.

To show that this is indeed a problem, we plot our results for \( \langle K^0 | Q^\text{cont} | K^0 \rangle / [8 f_{K,\text{phys}}^2 / 3] \) in Fig. 4. The figure also shows the result of fitting the data with the six-parameter form of Eq. (5.3). A good fit is obtained, with non-zero values for the artifacts \( \alpha \) and \( \beta \). The curvature in the data indicates the presence of \( p^4 \) terms, but the values of the individual \( \delta_i \) are poorly determined.

The curvature is drastically reduced if we consider the ratio

\[ \frac{\langle K^0 | Q | K^0 \rangle}{(8/3) f_K^2} = B_K p_i \cdot p_f, \] (5.7)

as shown in Fig. 5. Here \( f_K \) is the lattice result for the decay constant for the corresponding meson. This simplification has been noted previously by the APE group. The figure also shows a fit to the same form as on the r.h.s. of Eq. (5.5). Not only are the higher order terms smaller (although they remain poorly determined), but also \( \beta \) is much reduced. Fitting to this ratio leads to smaller errors in the final result, and we use it in all of the following analysis.

We can reduce the uncertainty in the higher order terms by noting that the matrix element of \( Q^\text{cont}/[8 f_K^2 / 3] \) is to good approximation a function only of \( p_i \cdot p_f \), as shown in Fig. 6. This feature was also found in Ref. 7. This suggests fitting with \( \delta_1 = \delta_2 = 0 \), and the result of such a fit is shown in the figure. Thus the dominant artifact is \( \alpha \), with a small contribution from \( \beta \), that leads to the observed deviations from a single curve. This fit leads to the smallest errors in \( B_K \), and we take it as our standard.

In order to extract a value for \( B_K \) we use a procedure similar to that we advocated in Ref. 4, except that we now have better control over the higher order terms. Having obtained a fit to the data, we simply discard the terms which we know to be artifacts. Applying this to the fit shown in Fig. 6 gives

\[ B_K (\mu = q^* = 1/a) \approx \gamma + (\delta_2 + \delta_3) M_{K,\text{phys}}^2 = 0.68(4). \] (5.8)

We obtain consistent results, with larger errors, from the fits of Fig. 3 [0.68(6)] and Fig. 4 [0.65(10)]. The subtraction procedure has, however, increased the errors substantially compared to those in the values for individual mass combinations. For example, the error for \( U_2 U_3 \) in \( B_K \) is 0.01 (see Table 4).

To give an idea of the importance of the \( p^4 \) terms we have done a variety of alternate fits, all to the ratio \( Q/8 f_K^2 / 3 \). Most interesting are those using only the three lowest order terms (\( \alpha, \beta \) and \( \gamma \)). Fitting to the results from the lightest four mesons alone gives \( B_K = 0.73(4) \), while fitting to the lightest six gives 0.74(4). These are higher than our preferred number, but the difference is only slightly more than \( 1\sigma \). By contrast, if we fit to the combinations \( U_1 U_1, SU_i \) and \( SS \) (the heaviest five of the mesons in Figs. 4 and 5), we find a result, 0.80(4), significantly higher than our preferred number. Previous work by other groups with Wilson fermions 4, 7, including our own 4, used three-parameter chiral fits to mesons in this mass range. Our results indicate that the neglect of higher order terms might lead to 10-20% systematic errors in their results.
Figure 4: Results for the matrix element $Q_{\text{cont}}^{\text{phys}}/[8f_{K,\text{phys}}^2/3]$ (in TAD1 scheme), together with the chiral fit. The physical kaon corresponds to $m_{K,\text{phys}}^2 = 0.046$ in lattice units.

\begin{align*}
\alpha &= -0.028(0.002) \\
\beta &= -0.33(0.05) \\
\gamma &= 0.40(0.05) \\
\delta_1 &= 0.80(1.81) \\
\delta_2 &= 4.88(3.26) \\
\delta_3 &= 0.79(1.50)
\end{align*}
Figure 5: Results for matrix element $Q^{\text{cont}}/[8f_K^2/3]$, together with the results of a chiral fit.

\begin{align*}
\alpha &= -0.046(01) \\
\beta &= 0.046(44) \\
\gamma &= 0.668(44) \\
\delta_1 &= 0.17(1.33) \\
\delta_2 &= -0.11(2.38) \\
\delta_3 &= 0.51(1.07)
\end{align*}
Figure 6: Results for matrix element of $Q^{\text{cont}}/[8f_K^2/3]$, together with the results of a chiral fit excluding $\delta_1$ and $\delta_2$. The data are plotted as a function of $p_i \cdot p_f$.

$\alpha = -0.046(001)$

$\beta = 0.065(039)$

$\gamma = 0.657(046)$

$\delta_3 = 0.526(077)$
We have checked our result by repeating the analysis using a second method. Returning to the original definition of the chiral expansion, Eq. (5.3), we note that contributions from the artifacts $\alpha, \beta, \delta_1$ can be canceled by combining pairs of points at different momentum transfers:

$$\frac{E_1B_K(q_1) - E_2B_K(q_2)}{(E_1 - E_2)} = \gamma + \delta_2 M^2 + \delta_3 M (E_1 + E_2).$$

(5.9)

Here $E_i$ is the energy of the lattice kaon with momentum $\vec{q}_i$. The r.h.s. of Eq. (5.9) differs from the form for $B_K$, Eq. (5.8), by $\delta_3 M (E_1 + E_2 - M)$. We use the value of $\delta_3$ extracted from the fit in Fig. 3 to correct for this. The results of this analysis for the ten light mass combinations are given in the sixth column of Table 2. We have averaged the results from $[q_1, q_2] = [(100), (000)]$ and $[(110), (000)]$, the channels with the best signal. Extrapolating/interpolating to $M_K$, we find $B_K = 0.66(9)$, in good agreement with our earlier result.

We thus are confident that our results do not have significant errors due to yet higher order terms (of $O(p^6)$) in the chiral expansion. What is more difficult to gauge, however, is the size of the lattice artifacts in the chiral coefficients which we keep, i.e. $\gamma$, $\delta_2$ and $\delta_3$. These artifacts are due both to discretization errors and to higher order terms in the perturbative matching coefficients. Recently the APE group has studied $B_K$ using Wilson fermions and the improved “clover” action, which removes errors of $O(aq^2)$ [7]. Their result suggests that the largest source of error in our calculation is from the matching coefficients rather than discretization.

Assuming that truncated perturbation theory is the problem, we can estimate the size of the associated systematic errors using a method adapted from that of Bernard and Soni [7]. As explained in Appendix 3, $Q$ matches with a linear combination of five lattice operators: itself ($2O_1^+ \dagger$) and the four other Fierz self-conjugate operators $O_2^{-5}$. The idea is to separately adjust the matching coefficients of $O_2^{-5}$ relative to that of $O_1^+$ so as to remove the artifacts $\alpha, \beta$ and $\delta_1$. The change in matching coefficients would lead to a change in the value of $B_K$. Since there are four operators to adjust but only three coefficients to fix at $O(p^4)$, we need to make additional assumptions to carry out this procedure. One approach might be to consider three operators at a time, and use the spread in the final results as an indicator of the systematic error.

In practice, we have only been able to carry out this procedure semi-quantitatively because our statistical errors are too large. In Table 3 we show the results of chiral fits to matrix elements of various operators keeping only $\alpha, \gamma,$ and $\delta_3$:

1. The perturbatively corrected $\Delta S = 2$ operator $Q$ (in the TAD1 scheme) divided by $8f_K^2/3$.

   This is the matrix element relevant for $B_K$, the results for which are shown in Fig. 4.

2. Four linear combinations of the bare lattice operators $O_2^{+5}$, each divided by $8f_K^2/3$.

The three parameter fit requires that the data lie on a single curve when plotted against $p_i \cdot p_f$, which is not a bad representation of the $Q$ data, as shown in Fig. 3. The fit to $O_2^{+5}$ is better still. We do not introduce the fourth parameter $\beta$, because, although this improves the fit for $Q$, it makes little difference for $O_2^{+5}$, and increases the errors in the fit parameters.

Since our data is reasonably represented with only the single artifact $\alpha$, and since the four “subtraction operators” can be similarly represented, our subtraction procedure is as follows. Take each of the four operators listed in the table in turn, add them to $Q$ so as to cancel $\alpha$, and use the change in $\gamma + \delta_3 m_{K, \text{phys}}^2$ as the estimate of the possible shift in $B_K$. In fact we ignore the contribution of $\delta_3$, since it is both small and uncertain. The shifts in $B_K$ are then 0.03, 0.07, 0.06, and 0.05 for the four subtraction operators listed in the Table. Thus we take 0.05 $\pm$ 0.05 for our estimate of this shift, the generous error accounting for the uncertainty in this subtraction method. Thus our final estimate of $B_K$ is

$$B_K(\mu = q^* = 1/a) = 0.73 \pm 0.04(\text{stat}) \pm 0.05(\text{subt}).$$

(5.10)
Running in the continuum to $\mu = 2$ GeV increases the result slightly

$$B_K(\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}, q^* = 1/a) = 0.74 \pm 0.04(\text{stat}) \pm 0.05(\text{subt}) .$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.11)
Figure 7: Three parameter fit to the matrix elements of $\mathcal{P}^2/[8f_K^2/3]$. The data for $\mathcal{P}^1$ is similar and the VSA relation $\mathcal{P}^2 = 3\mathcal{P}^1$ is approximately valid.

\[
\begin{align*}
\alpha &= -1.63 \pm 0.08 \\
\beta &= -3.3 \pm 1.2 \\
\delta_1 &= -30.7 \pm 4.2
\end{align*}
\]
Our results for $CS$ and $CU_1$ mesons are given in Table I. They show no significant variation with momentum transfer, and very little dependence on the light quark mass. Thus the $\alpha$ term in Eq. (5.5) is dominant—in striking contrast to the results for light-light mesons. Quenched chiral perturbation theory predicts that $B_D$ should diverge as the light quark mass vanishes [23, 24], with the effect beginning at $m_{s,\text{phys}}/3 - m_{s,\text{phys}}/4$. We see no sign of such behavior with our light quark masses, which extend down to approximately $m_{s,\text{phys}}/3$.

To investigate the convergence of perturbation theory, we show, in Table 4, separately the “diagonal” and “mixing” contributions to $B_D$. The former is the contribution from the lattice operator having the same form as the continuum operator (i.e. $20^+$), while the latter is the contribution from the other operators introduced by one-loop mixing ($O_{2-5}^+$). The mixing contributions are $\sim 15\%$ of $B_D$, indicating reasonable convergence. Their fractional contribution is also almost independent of the momentum and the mass of the light quark.

Our final results are

$$B_D(\mu = q^* = 1/a) = 0.777(15) \quad \text{and} \quad B_D(\mu = q^* = 1/a) = 0.815(9). \quad (6.2)$$

These convert to

$$B_D(\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}, q^* = 1/a) = 0.785(15) \quad \text{and} \quad B_D(\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}, q^* = 1/a) = 0.822(10). \quad (6.3)$$

The dependence on $q^*$ is, as for $B_K$, smaller than the statistical errors. Since $B_D$ and $B_{D_s}$ are correlated, their ratio is well determined

$$B_{D_s}/B_D = 1.048(15). \quad (6.4)$$

The variation of $B_D$ with the light quark mass is described by $0.777(15) + 0.77(27)m_qa$. Here $m_qa$ is the quark mass obtained from the Ward identity for the axial current, and $m_s$ is fixed using $M_{\phi}$ [14].

7 Results for $B_7^{3/2}$ and $B_8^{3/2}$

We now turn to the left-right operators which appear in the effective weak Hamiltonian due to electromagnetic penguin diagrams:

$$Q_7 = (\bar{s}_a \gamma_\mu L d_a) \left[ (\bar{u}_b \gamma_\mu R u_b) - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{d}_b \gamma_\mu R d_b) - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{s}_b \gamma_\mu R s_b) \right], \quad (7.1)$$

$$Q_8 = (\bar{s}_a \gamma_\mu L d_a) \left[ (\bar{u}_b \gamma_\mu R u_a) - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{d}_b \gamma_\mu R d_a) - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{s}_b \gamma_\mu R s_a) \right]. \quad (7.2)$$

We have results only for the $I = 3/2$ parts of these operators, since the $I = 1/2$ parts have penguin contractions which we have not calculated. Fortunately, the $I = 3/2$ parts are of phenomenological interest, because they are the only operators giving rise to an imaginary part in the $K^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^0$ amplitude, and thus give the dominant electromagnetic contribution to $\epsilon'/\epsilon$. We calculate $B$-parameters for $K^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^0$ matrix elements, which are simpler to calculate than those for $K \to \pi\pi$, but are equal at leading order in chiral perturbation theory. Thus our $B$-parameters are defined in the continuum by

$$B_7^{3/2} = \frac{\langle \pi^+ | Q_7^{3/2} | K^+ \rangle}{\frac{3}{2} \langle \pi^+ | \bar{u} \gamma_5 d | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{s} \gamma_5 u | K^+ \rangle - \langle \pi^+ | \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u \gamma_5 d | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 u | K^+ \rangle}, \quad (7.3)$$

$$B_8^{3/2} = \frac{\langle \pi^+ | Q_8^{3/2} | K^+ \rangle}{2 \langle \pi^+ | \bar{u} \gamma_5 d | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{s} \gamma_5 u | K^+ \rangle - \frac{3}{2} \langle \pi^+ | \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u \gamma_5 d | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 u | K^+ \rangle}. \quad (7.4)$$
|             | $\vec{p} = (0, 0, 0)$ | $\vec{p} = (1, 0, 0)$ | $\vec{p} = (1, 1, 0)$ | $\vec{p} = (1, 1, 1)$ | $\vec{p} = (2, 0, 0)$ |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| **CS**      |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| Full        | 0.83(1)             | 0.84(1)             | 0.84(1)             | 0.84(2)             | 0.85(2)             |
| Diagonal    | 0.71(1)             | 0.71(1)             | 0.72(1)             | 0.72(1)             | 0.72(2)             |
| Mixing      | 0.12(0)             | 0.12(0)             | 0.12(0)             | 0.12(0)             | 0.12(0)             |
| **CU_1**    |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| Full        | 0.81(1)             | 0.81(1)             | 0.81(1)             | 0.82(2)             | 0.82(2)             |
| Diagonal    | 0.68(1)             | 0.69(1)             | 0.69(1)             | 0.69(2)             | 0.69(2)             |
| Mixing      | 0.13(0)             | 0.13(0)             | 0.13(0)             | 0.12(0)             | 0.12(0)             |
| **CU_2**    |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| Full        | 0.80(1)             | 0.80(1)             | 0.80(2)             | 0.80(2)             | 0.80(3)             |
| Diagonal    | 0.67(1)             | 0.67(1)             | 0.68(1)             | 0.68(2)             | 0.68(2)             |
| Mixing      | 0.13(0)             | 0.13(0)             | 0.13(0)             | 0.12(0)             | 0.12(0)             |
| **CU_3**    |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| Full        | 0.79(1)             | 0.79(2)             | 0.80(2)             | 0.79(3)             | 0.79(3)             |
| Diagonal    | 0.67(1)             | 0.67(2)             | 0.67(2)             | 0.67(3)             | 0.67(3)             |
| Mixing      | 0.13(0)             | 0.13(0)             | 0.13(0)             | 0.12(1)             | 0.12(1)             |

Table 4: Results for $B_D$ (in the TAD1 scheme) for the heavy-light mesons $CS$, $CU_i$ as a function of momentum insertion. Also shown are the separate contributions of the diagonal and mixing parts of the operator. An error value of 0 means that it is less than 1/2 in the last significant digit.
Full Diagonal mixing

The operators \( Q_{7,8}^{3/2} \) are defined in Eqs. (3.25) and (3.26).

The operators in \( B_{7,8}^{3/2} \) are matched onto lattice operators using the results of Appendix 3. A slight complication arises because the denominators consist of two terms, one of which (the pseudoscalar) depends on the renormalization scale \( \mu \), while the other (axial) part does not. Thus we cannot simply use the \( B \)-parameters defined above which have only the axial-currents in the denominator. Instead, we use horizontal matching followed by 2-loop running to calculate both numerator and denominator at the final scale \( \mu \), and then take the ratio, all within the jackknife loop. We repeat the entire procedure for various choices of \( q^* \) and \( \mu \).

The calculation involves no chiral subtractions, since all terms in the chiral expansion are physical. To show the quality of the results we display \( B_{7,8}^{3/2} \) (in the TAD1 scheme), in Figs. 8 and 9, respectively, for the \( U_2 U_3 \) meson. The statistical errors are small, and the results using the two sources agree.

We have done the calculation of these matrix elements only for the case in which the initial and final mesons have the same quark composition. Our results in the TAD1 scheme are collected in Table 5. We see the same gradual increase towards unity as the meson mass increases that we observed between \( B_K \) and \( B_D \). Diagonal and mixing contributions are defined as for \( B_D \). We have also included results at different momenta for \( U_2 U_3 \) mesons in the last two rows of Table 6. The lack of momentum dependence is due to the dominance of the pseudoscalar matrix elements, which, as noted above, depend only on \( m_K^2 \).

In Table 6 we give results for \( \mu = 2 \) GeV with various values of \( q^* \). There is a significant variation with \( q^* \), considerably larger than the statistical errors. This indicates that the perturbative expansion for the anomalous dimensions is converging more slowly than for \( B_K \) and \( B_D \). We take \( q^* = 1/a \) for our final result, and use the range of values for \( q^* = 2 \) GeV − \( \pi/a \) to estimate the systematic error. This leads to

\[
B_7^{3/2}(NDR, 2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.58 \pm 0.02(\text{stat})^{+0.07}_{-0.03}(\text{pert}),
\]

(7.5)
Figure 8: Results for the ratio of correlators defining $B_7^{3/2}$, in TAD1 scheme for the $U_2 U_3$ meson.
Figure 9: Results for $B_8^{3/2}$ in TAD1 scheme for the $U_2U_3$ meson.
Table 6: Variation of $B_7$ and $B_8$, run to $\mu = 2$ GeV, for various choices of $q^*$.  

| $q^*$  | $B_7^{3/2}$  | $B_8^{3/2}$  |
|--------|--------------|--------------|
| 2 GeV  | 0.549(18)    | 0.790(27)    |
| 1/a    | 0.578(19)    | 0.807(27)    |
| 2/a    | 0.641(21)    | 0.835(28)    |
| $\pi$/a| 0.654(21)    | 0.837(28)    |

Note that the statistical errors are somewhat larger after running to $\mu = 2$ GeV (compare results in Table 6 to those in Table 5). This is because, in order to evaluate the $B-$parameters at 2 GeV, one has to combine results of three separate fits after the running. Consequently, the cancellation of errors between the numerator and denominator is not as good.

$B_8^{3/2}(NDR, 2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.81 \pm 0.03(\text{stat})^{+0.03}_{-0.02}(\text{pert})$. \hfill (7.6)

We close with results for the $B$-parameter introduced in Ref. [3] to calculate the difference of $B$-meson lifetimes 

$$B_S \equiv B_4^+ = \frac{\langle B_s | \bar{b}_a L_s a \bar{c}_c L_s c | B_s \rangle}{(5/3) \langle B_s | \bar{b}_a \gamma_5 s_a | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{b}_a \gamma_5 s_a | B_s \rangle}.$$ \hfill (8.1)

We also consider the operator related by a Fierz transformation 

$$B_5^+ = \frac{\langle B_s | \bar{b}_a L_s c \bar{c}_c L_s a | B_s \rangle}{(-1/3) \langle B_s | \bar{b}_a \gamma_5 s_a | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \bar{b}_a \gamma_5 s_a | B_s \rangle}.$$ \hfill (8.2)

The perturbative matching coefficients for this operator have not been calculated previously—they are given in Appendix B. The 1-loop improved operators $O_4^+$ and $O_5^+$ are defined in Eqs. B.36 and B.37. (One needs the matrix elements of both operators due to the mixing between them.) The calculation of their matrix elements and the corresponding B-parameters is straightforward, and the results for the 15 mass combinations, as a function of the matching scale $\mu = q^*$, are given in Tables 7 and 8. The results after extrapolation of the light quark to the physical strange quark mass are given in Table 9.

Note that, unlike the previous cases of $B$-parameters, we cannot run these results to a final common scale. As can be seen from the results of Appendix A, this requires knowledge of the two-loop anomalous dimensions. It would be inconsistent to use one-loop matching and then only run using one-loop anomalous dimensions. Thus we cannot study the $q^*$ dependence of the results at fixed final scale $\mu$. The fact that both $B_4^+$ and $B_5^+$, evaluated at $\mu = q^*$, depend only weakly on $q^*$, as is apparent from the Tables, is an accident. The origin of this feature can be traced to the large value of the matrix elements of the lattice mixing operators, and consequently significant variation with $\alpha_s(q^*)$.

The best we can do at present is to use our preferred value of $q^* = 1/a$, and quote the results only for $\mu = q^*$, i.e. using horizontal matching. These results are 

$$B_4^+(\text{NDR}, \mu = q^* = 1/a) = 0.80 \pm 0.01(\text{stat}),$$ \hfill (8.3)

$$B_5^+(\text{NDR}, \mu = q^* = 1/a) = 0.94 \pm 0.01(\text{stat}).$$ \hfill (8.4)
Table 7: The B-parameter for the operator $O_4^+$. The data are shown for all 15 mass combinations, and for various choices of $\mu = q^\ast$.

|       | $q^\ast = 2$ GeV | $q^\ast = 1/a$ | $q^\ast = 2/a$ | $q^\ast = \pi/a$ |
|-------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| $CC$  | 0.877(9)        | 0.883(9)       | 0.880(9)       | 0.871(9)        |
| $CS$  | 0.806(6)        | 0.813(6)       | 0.813(6)       | 0.806(6)        |
| $CU_1$| 0.784(8)        | 0.791(8)       | 0.792(8)       | 0.786(8)        |
| $CU_2$| 0.771(8)        | 0.779(8)       | 0.781(8)       | 0.775(8)        |
| $CU_3$| 0.763(9)        | 0.771(9)       | 0.773(9)       | 0.767(9)        |
| $SS$  | 0.696(4)        | 0.703(4)       | 0.707(4)       | 0.701(4)        |
| $SU_1$| 0.663(3)        | 0.670(4)       | 0.675(4)       | 0.670(4)        |
| $SU_2$| 0.647(4)        | 0.655(4)       | 0.660(4)       | 0.656(4)        |
| $SU_3$| 0.639(4)        | 0.646(4)       | 0.652(4)       | 0.647(4)        |
| $U_1U_1$| 0.626(3)   | 0.634(3)       | 0.640(3)       | 0.636(3)        |
| $U_1U_2$| 0.610(3)   | 0.617(3)       | 0.623(3)       | 0.619(3)        |
| $U_1U_3$| 0.600(4)   | 0.607(4)       | 0.613(4)       | 0.609(4)        |
| $U_2U_2$| 0.592(4)   | 0.599(4)       | 0.605(4)       | 0.601(4)        |
| $U_2U_3$| 0.581(5)   | 0.588(4)       | 0.594(4)       | 0.590(4)        |
| $U_3U_3$| 0.571(6)   | 0.578(6)       | 0.583(6)       | 0.579(5)        |

Table 8: The B-parameter for the operator $O_5^+$. The data are shown for all 15 mass combinations, and for various choices of $\mu = q^\ast$.

|       | $q^\ast = 2$ GeV | $q^\ast = 1/a$ | $q^\ast = 2/a$ | $q^\ast = \pi/a$ |
|-------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| $CC$  | 0.975(11)       | 0.991(11)      | 1.013(11)      | 1.011(11)       |
| $CS$  | 0.940(9)        | 0.953(9)       | 0.967(9)       | 0.963(9)        |
| $CU_1$| 0.920(10)       | 0.933(10)      | 0.946(10)      | 0.942(10)       |
| $CU_2$| 0.910(12)       | 0.922(11)      | 0.935(11)      | 0.931(11)       |
| $CU_3$| 0.902(14)       | 0.914(13)      | 0.927(12)      | 0.923(12)       |
| $SS$  | 0.878(5)        | 0.885(5)       | 0.885(5)       | 0.878(5)        |
| $SU_1$| 0.850(5)        | 0.856(5)       | 0.855(5)       | 0.847(5)        |
| $SU_2$| 0.836(5)        | 0.842(5)       | 0.840(5)       | 0.832(5)        |
| $SU_3$| 0.829(6)        | 0.835(6)       | 0.832(5)       | 0.824(5)        |
| $U_1U_1$| 0.817(4)    | 0.822(4)       | 0.819(4)       | 0.811(4)        |
| $U_1U_2$| 0.802(5)    | 0.806(5)       | 0.802(4)       | 0.794(4)        |
| $U_1U_3$| 0.793(5)    | 0.797(5)       | 0.792(5)       | 0.783(5)        |
| $U_2U_2$| 0.785(5)    | 0.788(5)       | 0.783(5)       | 0.774(5)        |
| $U_2U_3$| 0.775(6)    | 0.778(6)       | 0.771(6)       | 0.763(6)        |
| $U_3U_3$| 0.765(8)    | 0.768(8)       | 0.759(7)       | 0.750(7)        |
\[
\begin{array}{|c|c|c|}
\hline
q^* = 2 \text{ GeV} & B_4^+(\mu = q^*) & B_5^+(\mu = q^*) \\
\hline
q^* = 1/a & 0.791(8) & 0.927(10) \\
q^* = 2/a & 0.798(8) & 0.940(10) \\
q^* = \pi/a & 0.799(8) & 0.953(10) \\
\hline
\end{array}
\]

Table 9: The B-parameter for the operator \(O_4^+\) and \(O_5^+\) after horizontal matching to the continuum at scale \(q^*\). The \(CU_i\) data have been extrapolated to \(m_s(M_\phi)\) in the light quark mass.

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### A Issues in matching lattice and continuum operators

In this appendix we discuss the matching of lattice and continuum operators. We also collect results for the anomalous dimensions needed for the particular matrix elements we calculate.

We wish to find the lattice regularized operators which match with (i.e. have the same physical matrix elements as) the continuum operators of interest:

\[
\mathcal{O}^{\text{cont}}(\mu) = Z(\mu, a) \mathcal{O}^{\text{latt}}(a). \tag{A.1}
\]

Here \(\mathcal{O}^{\text{cont}}\) is a vector of operators which is closed under continuum and lattice mixing, and \(\mathcal{O}^{\text{latt}}\) the corresponding vector of lattice operators. By comparing matrix elements, one can calculate the matrix \(Z\) in perturbation theory. The one-loop result has the form

\[
Z(\mu, a) = 1 + \lambda c(\mu a), \tag{A.2}
\]

where \(\lambda = g^2 / (16\pi^2)\) and \(c\) is the one-loop matching matrix. Appendix B describes the calculation of \(c\) for four-fermion operators. The issue we address here is the choice of \(g\) to use in \(\lambda\). Should it be the continuum coupling \(g_{\overline{\text{MS}}}(\mu)\), or the bare lattice coupling \(g(a)\), or some sort of an average? The uncertainty this introduces can be comparable to the statistical error, as is the case in the calculation of \(B_K\) using staggered fermions [11].

To address this issue we use the exact perturbative formula for \(Z\) given by Ji [18]. Generalized to the case of mixing, this is

\[
Z(\mu, a) = T_{g''} \exp \left( - \int_0^{g(\mu)} dg'' \frac{\gamma_{\text{cont}}(g'')}{\beta_{\text{cont}}(g'')} \right) T_{g'} \exp \left( - \int_{g(a)}^0 dg' \frac{\gamma_{\text{latt}}(g')}{\beta_{\text{latt}}(g')} \right). \tag{A.3}
\]

The \(\gamma\)'s are the anomalous dimension matrices, which are different in the continuum and on the lattice. The \(\beta\)'s are the usual \(\beta\)-functions, again different in the continuum and on the lattice, though only at \(O(g')\). The \(T_g\)'s indicate that the exponential integrals are \(g\)-ordered. This formula has a simple physical interpretation: first use the renormalization group to run on the lattice to a lattice spacing as small as one wants, then match with the continuum at tree level, and finally run back to the desired scale in the continuum theory. It is exact except for possible non-perturbative corrections.
To use Ji’s formula we have to specify both the continuum and lattice renormalization schemes. In the continuum we take NDR, (i.e. $\overline{MS}$ plus a particular set of rules for dealing with $\gamma_5$ in $n$ dimensions) so that $g(\mu)$ is in the $\overline{MS}$ scheme. On the lattice, Ji uses the bare lattice coupling constant, and takes the scale to be $a$. The work of Lepage and Mackenzie suggests, however, that it is better to reexpress all lattice perturbative expressions in terms of a continuum-like coupling constant on the lattice as in the continuum. In other words, we imagine expressing perturbative series on the lattice, e.g. that for the anomalous dimension matrix, in terms of $\gamma_{\text{MS}}$($q^*$), where $q^*a = K$, with $K$ a constant. This is just a change of variables

$$ g_{\text{MS}}(q^*, g(a)) = g(a) + c_1(q^*a)g(a)^3 + O(g^5), \quad (A.4) $$

with $c_1$ a known constant with known dependence on $q^*a$. The value of $q^*a$ should be chosen so as to improve the convergence of perturbative series.

To implement this improvement, we change variables in the integral over $g'$ in Eq. (A.3), from $g'$ to $g_{\text{MS}}(q^* = K/a, g')$. The result is

$$ \int_{g(a)}^{0} dg' \frac{\gamma_{\text{latt}}(g')}{\beta_{\text{latt}}(g')} = \int_{g_{\text{MS}}(q^* = K/a)}^{0} \frac{dg_{\text{MS}}}{d\gamma_{\text{MS}}(g')/dg'} \frac{\gamma_{\text{latt}}(g'(g_{\text{MS}}))}{(-dg'(a)/d\ln a)} \quad (A.5) $$

$$ = \int_{g_{\text{MS}}(q^* = K/a)}^{0} dg_{\text{MS}} \gamma_{\text{latt}}(g'(g_{\text{MS}})) \frac{d\gamma_{\text{MS}}}{d\ln q^*} \quad (A.6) $$

$$ = \int_{g_{\text{MS}}(q^* = K/a)}^{0} dg_{\text{MS}} \gamma_{\text{latt}}(g'(g_{\text{MS}})) \frac{d\gamma_{\text{MS}}}{\beta_{\text{cont}}(g_{\text{MS}})} \quad (A.7) $$

Thus we end up with the same form, but with the continuum $\beta$-function in the denominator, a different lower limit, and the anomalous dimension matrix expressed in terms of $g_{\text{MS}}$. This change of variables makes no difference if we work to all orders, but does affect the result when we truncate perturbation theory. The hope is that $\gamma_{\text{latt}}$ converges more quickly as a result of this reorganization.

In practice we know only the two-loop anomalous dimensions for the operators of interest, so we expand out Eq. (A.3) (with the substitution (A.7) to second order, following the method of Ref. 2

$$ Z(\mu, a) = [1 + \lambda(\mu) J_{\text{cont}} + O(\lambda^2)]^{-1} W^{-1} \left( \frac{\lambda(\mu)}{\lambda(q^*)} \right)^{\gamma_0^D/2\beta_0} W [1 + \lambda(q^*) J_{\text{latt}}(q^*) + O(\lambda^2)] \quad (A.8) $$

Note that the $g^2$ in $\lambda$ is in the $\overline{MS}$ scheme wherever it appears. Note also that the $a$ dependence comes in implicitly through $q^*$. $\gamma_0^D$ is the result of diagonalizing the the one-loop anomalous dimension matrix, $\gamma_0$, (which is the same in both lattice and continuum schemes)

$$ \gamma_0^D = W \gamma_0 W^{-1}. \quad (A.9) $$

The 2-loop contribution feeds in through

$$ J = \frac{\beta_1\gamma_0}{2\beta_0^2} W^{-1} MW. \quad (A.10) $$

where the matrix $M$ is

$$ M_{ij} = \frac{(W\gamma_1W^{-1})_{ij}}{2\beta_0 - (\gamma_0^D)_{ii} + (\gamma_0^D)_{jj}}. \quad (A.11) $$
$J_{\text{cont}}$ differs from $J_{\text{latt}}$ because the two-loop anomalous dimension matrices differ. In practice, the lattice $J$’s contain more off-diagonal terms than those in the continuum. For example, in the continuum the operators $Q_7$ and $Q_8$ only mix with each other (and with evanescent operators which vanish in 4-dimensions), while $J_{\text{latt}}$ mixes these operators also with $O_{1,4,5}^+$, as described in Appendix C. The structure of Eq. (A.8) means, however, that, working from left to right, we can stay in the two dimensional space spanned by $(Q_7, Q_8)$ until we encounter $J_{\text{latt}}$. Thus we need only the rectangular piece of $J_{\text{latt}}$ which connects $(Q_7, Q_8)$ to the full basis.

Equation (A.8) is (aside from a minor modification discussed below) the result which we propose using in place of Eq. (A.2). It makes clear which scale to evaluate the coupling at wherever it appears: the lattice scale in the lattice anomalous dimension, and the continuum scale in the continuum anomalous dimension. It is valid even if $\mu a$ is substantially different from unity, for it sums up the large logarithms of $\mu a$. It can be applied to tadpole improved operators—tadpole improvement simply changes the two-loop lattice anomalous dimension, presumably making the perturbative series converge more quickly.

To apply Eq. (A.8) we need to know the $J$’s. In the continuum, the two-loop anomalous dimensions are known for most of the operators of interest (they are listed below), and from these we can construct $J_{\text{cont}}$. $J_{\text{latt}}$ can then be determined by comparing the one-loop matching result to the general formula, in the following way. We recall that, when deriving Eq. (A.2), one equates the perturbative series converge more quickly.

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We now see explicitly that $J_{\text{latt}}$ depends on $q^*$, and upon whether we tadpole improve or not (which changes $c \to c - \text{tad}$, where tad is the tadpole contribution).

To express the result at scale $\mu$, we have in fact used a slight variant of Eq. (A.8), which we call “horizontal matching”:

$$Z(\mu, a) \equiv [1 + \lambda(\mu)c(q^*a) + O(\lambda^2)]$$
$$= \left[1 + \lambda(q^*)J_{\text{cont}} + O(\lambda^2)^{-1}\right] \left[1 + \lambda(q^*)J_{\text{latt}}(q^*) + O(\lambda^2)\right], \quad (A.12)$$

and so

$$J_{\text{latt}}(q^*) = J_{\text{cont}} + c(q^*a). \quad (A.13)$$

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$$Z(\mu, a) = \left[1 + \lambda(\mu)J_{\text{cont}}\right]^{-1} W^{-1} \left(\frac{\lambda(\mu)}{\lambda(q^*)}\right)^{\frac{\lambda(q^*)}{\lambda(q^*)}} W \left[1 + \lambda(q^*)J_{\text{cont}}\right][1 + \lambda(q^*)c(q^*a)]. \quad (A.14)$$

This differs by corrections of size $\lambda(q^*)^2$, which turn out to be much smaller than our statistical errors. The physical interpretation of horizontal matching is that we first match lattice and continuum operators at the scale $q^*$ (using the same coupling for both), and then run, in the continuum, down to the final scale $\mu$. The important practical advantage of both horizontal matching and that based on Ji’s approach is the improved treatment of terms involving $\lambda$, when $\lambda(\mu)$ is significantly different from $\lambda(q^*)$. We have, in effect, used the renormalization group to include a subset of $O(\lambda^2)$ terms.

The remaining issue is the choice of $q^*$. That we have such a choice simply reflects the fact that we have truncated the perturbative expansions for $\gamma$ and $\beta$. Lepage and Mackenzie have suggested a scheme for estimating $q^*$ which works for finite lattice renormalizations [25]. We have not, however, found a way to implement their scheme for divergent operators. Presumably one could use the alternative BLM scheme [23], but this involves calculating a subset of diagrams for the two-loop matching coefficients (or three-loop anomalous dimensions), which has not been done. Thus we
have simply carried out the calculation for a reasonable range of $q^*$: 2 GeV, $1/a$, $2/a$ and $\pi/a$. Previous work suggests that, for tadpole improved operators, the optimum $q^*$ lies towards the lower end of this range \cite{19}. For this reason we quote our final value using $q^* = 1/a$. It is important to realize, however, that this intuition concerning $q^*$ may not apply to matching calculations such as those we are using here. Thus we use the results from the entire range of values of $q^*$ to estimate a systematic error.

We close this appendix by collecting results needed to carry out the matching just described. We quote all results for $n_f = 0$, and give anomalous dimensions in the NDR scheme. The operators are listed in Eqs. (B.24-B.27).

The coefficients $\beta_0$ and $\beta_1$ of the $\beta$-function ($\mu \partial g/\partial \mu = -\beta_0 g^3 - \beta_1 g^5 - \ldots$) are independent of the renormalization scheme, and are standard. The anomalous dimensions for $Q$ are

$$\gamma_0 = 4, \quad \gamma_1 = -7. \quad (A.15)$$

The operators $Q_7^{3/2}$ and $Q_8^{3/2}$ mix, with anomalous dimensions

$$\gamma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -6 \\ 0 & -16 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\gamma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 71/3 & -99 \\ -225/2 & -1331/6 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (A.16)$$

The result for $\gamma_0$ is standard, while we have extracted $\gamma_1$ from the results of Ref. \cite{20} by considering only a subset of the graphs required for the full operators $Q_{7,8}$. The results for the operators needed to calculate $B_s$ are given at the end of Appendix \[.]

**B One-loop matching for four-fermion operators**

In this appendix we give a general formula for the one loop matching coefficients for four-fermion operators of the form $\Gamma \otimes \Gamma$. This formula relates continuum operators defined in the NDR scheme to lattice operators which are local, i.e. reside on a single lattice site. All one needs to know are the matching coefficients for the five bilinears $S$, $P$, $V$, $A$ and $T$. The formula applies not only for Wilson fermions, but for any improved Wilson fermion action, e.g. the Sheikholeslami-Wohlert action. It is not useful for staggered fermions, where many of the operators of interest are not local (see, for example, Ref. \cite{27}).

Matching coefficients for a subset of four-fermion operators were calculated long ago by Martinelli \cite{20} and Bernard et al. \cite{21}. These authors use different regularization schemes in the continuum, namely DRED (dimensional reduction) and DREDZ (a variant of dimensional reduction). One of our purposes here is to convert these results to the NDR scheme, which is the standard scheme used in the evaluation of continuum coefficient functions. A second purpose is to extend the calculations to operators of the form $S \otimes S + P \otimes P$ and $T \otimes T$. As discussed in the text, the matrix elements of one such operator has recently been shown to be of phenomenological interest. Our final purpose is to present all the results in a simple form which is easy to evaluate.

Our method is adapted from that used for staggered fermions in Ref. \cite{27}. It proceeds in two stages. The first stage uses the method of Martinelli \cite{20}, who pointed out that all the one-loop vertex diagrams for four-fermion operators can be brought into the form of bilinear corrections using Fierz transformations and charge conjugation. This works, however, only if the continuum scheme keeps the gamma-matrices in four dimensions, which is why he chose DRED. Following
Table 10: Bilinear matching coefficients, with $\ell = \log(\mu a)$. Tadpole improvement (discussed in the main text) adds tad$/C_F = 12.86$ to each of these numbers.

Ref. [27], we actually use a slightly different intermediate scheme, NDR$'$. In the second stage we convert from NDR$'$ to NDR. This part of the calculation is done in the continuum and it cannot be reduced to that for bilinears. It is, however, independent of the lattice fermion action. Much of the work for the second stage has been done in Ref. [27]. Our only new result is the construction of an $n$-dimensional definition of the operators $S \otimes S + P \otimes P$ and $T \otimes T$ which maintains Fierz symmetries. This is not an essential condition, but it is desirable for aesthetic reasons.

We begin with some notation. The one-loop matching coefficients for bilinears are defined by

$$B_{i}^{\text{cont}} = B_{i}^{\text{lat}} (1 + C_F \lambda c_i(\mu a)) ,$$

where $i = S, V, T, A, P$, $C_F = 4/3$, $\lambda = g^2/16\pi^2$, $\mu$ is the renormalization scale of the continuum operator and $a$ the lattice spacing. The values of the $c_i$ are given in Table 10 for Wilson fermions in both DRED and NDR schemes. These values are taken from Refs. [20, 21], and converted to NDR using the conversion factors given in Ref. [28]. Note that the corrections are uniformly small after tadpole improvement [19]. For completeness we mention that the analogous results of the renormalization constants for bilinears with the Sheikholeslami-Wohlert (clover) action have been calculated by G"ockeler et al. [29].

The four-fermion operators we consider are linear combinations of the five Lorentz scalars

$$S = (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_\mu \psi_4) ,$$

$$V = \sum_{\mu} (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_\mu \psi_4) ,$$

$$T = \sum_{\mu<\nu} (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu \psi_4) ,$$

$$A = \sum_{\mu} (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \psi_4) ,$$

$$P = (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_5 \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_5 \psi_4) .$$

(B.2)

Keeping the four flavors distinct eliminates "penguin" diagrams, and allows only a single Wick contraction for each operator. In the text, we use subscripts to indicate incomplete summation over repeated Lorentz indices. For example, $A_s$ denotes that the sum over $\mu$ is only over $1 - 3$ and not $4$, while $T_t$ indicates that $\nu = 4$ in the tensor operator. Each operator also comes with two possible sets of color indices, which we distinguish with superscripts, e.g.

$$S^1 = (\bar{\psi}_1^a \psi_2^b)(\bar{\psi}_3^c \psi_4^d) \quad \text{and} \quad S^2 = (\bar{\psi}_1^a \psi_2^b)(\bar{\psi}_3^d \psi_4^c) .$$

(B.3)

The superscript is the number of loops that the color indices form if we take a matrix element of the operators between states created by $(\bar{\psi}_2 \Gamma \psi_1)$ and $(\bar{\psi}_4 \Gamma \psi_3)$.

In the following we use two bases for the Lorentz structures: the "original" basis

$$O^i_i = [S, V, T, A, P] ,$$

(B.4)
and the “practical” basis (related by a non-orthogonal transformation)
\[
\mathcal{O}_i = [(\mathcal{V} + \mathcal{A}), (\mathcal{V} - \mathcal{A}), -2(\mathcal{S} - \mathcal{P}), (\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{P}), -(\mathcal{S} + \mathcal{P} - \mathcal{T})/2].
\] (B.5)

The advantages of each will become clear in the following. In each basis there is a matrix which implements Fierz transformations. This is simplest in the practical basis

\[
\mathcal{F}^{\text{prac}} = \begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
\end{pmatrix}.
\] (B.6)

In either basis this satisfies \(\mathcal{F}^2 = 1\). There is also a matrix which implements “charge conjugation”, which here means the effect of transposing the Dirac matrices in one of the bilinears, and conjugating the result with

\[
\mathcal{C}^{\text{orig}} = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1, 1, 1).
\] (B.7)

Again, in either basis one has \(\mathcal{C}^2 = 1\). Note that this definition is specific to four dimensional Dirac matrices.

To combine the Lorentz and color indices we use the notation

\[
\vec{\mathcal{O}}_i = \left( \begin{array}{c}
\mathcal{O}_1^i \\
\mathcal{O}_2^i \\
\end{array} \right).
\] (B.8)

Then, as shown in Ref. [27], one-loop matching has the form

\[
\vec{\mathcal{O}}_{i}^{\text{cont}} = \vec{\mathcal{O}}_{i}^{\text{lat}} + \lambda \sum_j \left( \mathcal{M}_{ij}^a \vec{C}_a + \mathcal{M}_{ij}^b \vec{C}_b + \mathcal{M}_{ij}^c \vec{C}_c \right) \vec{\mathcal{O}}_{j}^{\text{lat}}.
\] (B.9)

There are three types of diagram which contribute, denoted \(a\), \(b\) and \(c\), each giving rise to a color matrix \(\mathcal{C}\) and a matrix acting on the Lorentz indices. The color matrices are

\[
\vec{C}_a = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix}
-1 & 3 \\
0 & 8 \\
\end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{C}_b = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix}
8 & 0 \\
3 & -1 \\
\end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{C}_c = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix}
-1 & 3 \\
3 & -1 \\
\end{pmatrix}.
\] (B.10)

The core of the calculation is of the \(5 \times 5\) correction matrices \(\mathcal{M}\).

The first stage of this calculation is to determine \(\mathcal{M}\) in a scheme in which the gamma-matrices are four-dimensional, say DRED. The “\(a\)”-diagrams are just those in which the two bilinears in the four-fermion operator are matched independently (see Ref. [27]). Thus \(\mathcal{M}_a\) is simple in the original basis:

\[
\mathcal{M}_a = 2 \text{ diag}[c_S, c_V, c_T, c_A, c_P].
\] (B.11)

Following Ref. [20] one can then obtain \(\mathcal{M}_b\) and \(\mathcal{M}_c\) using Fierz and charge conjugation transformations:

\[
\mathcal{M}_b = \mathcal{F} \mathcal{M}_a \mathcal{F}, \quad \mathcal{M}_c = -\mathcal{C} \mathcal{F} \mathcal{M}_a \mathcal{C}.
\] (B.12, B.13)

These results can then be inserted in the general formula Eq. (B.9). Fierz symmetry also requires that \(\mathcal{M}_c\) be self-conjugate:

\[
\mathcal{M}_c = \mathcal{F} \mathcal{M}_c \mathcal{F}.
\] (B.14)
This result, together with Eq. (3.13), and the peculiar fact that $\mathcal{F}C\mathcal{F}C\mathcal{F} = C$, requires that $[\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{M}_a] = 0$. This is trivially true given that $\mathcal{M}_a$ and $\mathcal{C}$ are diagonal in the original basis.

This construction fails for NDR, however, because one is then dealing with $n$-dimensional gamma matrices. It is useful, nevertheless, to introduce an intermediate scheme, NDR', which is defined by Eq. (3.11), with NDR bilinear matching coefficients, together with Eqs. (3.12) and (3.13). That is, we enforce Fierz and charge-conjugation symmetries by hand.

The second stage is the extension of the calculation to NDR. For this, we need to define the continuation of the four-fermion operators to $n$-dimensions. There are many ways to do this (corresponding to different choices of “evanescent” operators), and we wish to make a choice which maintains the Fierz relations Eqs. (3.12) and (3.14). We have not found a way of simultaneously maintaining Eq. (3.13), and suspect that this is not possible. Thus, in NDR, $\mathcal{M}_b$ can be obtained from $\mathcal{M}_a$, while $\mathcal{M}_c$ is independent. Fierz-symmetric choices for $(V \pm A)$ and $(S - P)$ were given in Refs. [26, 30], and we use these. Definitions for $(S + P)$ and $T$ were given in Ref. [27], but the choices made there did not maintain Fierz symmetry. We have found Fierz-symmetric choice, which we now explain.

We work in the “practical” basis. The operators are extended to $n = 4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions such that they are the even parity parts of

$$O_1 = (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu L \psi_2) (\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_\mu L \psi_4),$$  
$$O_2 = (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu L \psi_2) (\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_\mu R \psi_4),$$  
$$O_3 = -2 (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu L \psi_2) (\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_\mu R \psi_4),$$  
$$O_4 = (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu L \psi_2) (\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_\mu L \psi_4),$$  
$$O_5 = -\frac{1}{8} (1 + 3\epsilon/4) (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu L \psi_2) (\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu L \psi_4).$$

Here we are implicitly summing repeated indices over all $n$ values, and defining $L = (1 - \gamma_5)$ and $R = (1 + \gamma_5)$. The odd parity parts of these operators are not important for the following discussion, but we include them for generality. The analysis is unchanged if we change the sign of $\gamma_5$. The peculiar factor of $(1 + 3\epsilon/4)$ in $O_5$ is necessary in order that, in the final result, $\mathcal{M}_c$ is Fierz self-conjugate. When we calculate one-loop corrections in NDR the resulting operators have the form

$$\mathcal{O} = \sum_{i=1,5} d_i \mathcal{O}_i + \text{evanescent operators},$$

where the evanescent operators vanish when $n = 4$. We determine the $d_i$ using projection operators. Fierz-symmetric projectors onto $\mathcal{O}_{1-3}$ have been given in Refs. [26, 30]. To determine $d_4$ and $d_5$ [up to terms of $O(\epsilon^2)$] we use

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_4 \\ d_5 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1 + 5\epsilon/12}{3} \begin{pmatrix} (1 + \epsilon/4) & 2(1 - \epsilon/4) \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_4(\mathcal{O}) \\ P_5(\mathcal{O}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

where, in the notation of Ref. [30], the projectors are

$$P_4 = \frac{1}{32} L \otimes L \; \text{and}$$
$$P_5 = -\frac{1}{256} \left( \frac{4}{n} \right)^2 \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu L \otimes \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu L.$$

The matrix in Eq. (B.21) has been determined by requiring $d_i = 1$ if $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_i$, i.e. the basis operators project back onto themselves.
Using these definitions, we have calculated the matching between NDR and NDR', and thus between NDR and lattice operators. We find for our final results

\[
\mathcal{M}_a = \begin{pmatrix}
    c_{V+A} & c_{V-A} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
    c_{V-A} & c_{V+A} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
    0 & 0 & c_{S+P} & -2c_{S-P} & 0 \\
    0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2}c_{S-P} & c_{S+P} & -1 \\
    0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4}c_{S-P} & \frac{1}{2}(2c_T - c_{S+P}) & 2c_T
\end{pmatrix},
\]

\[
\mathcal{M}_c = \begin{pmatrix}
    -(c_{S+P} + 6) & 0 & 0 & 2c_{S-P} & 2c_{S-P} \\
    0 & -(c_{V+A} + 6) & c_{V-A} & 0 & 0 \\
    0 & c_{V-A} & -(c_{V+A} + 6) & 0 & 0 \\
    \frac{1}{4}c_{S-P} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2}(c_{S+P} + 2c_T + 4) & -\frac{1}{2}(c_{S+P} - 2c_T + 2) \\
    \frac{1}{4}c_{S-P} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2}(c_{S+P} - 2c_T + 2) & -\frac{1}{2}(c_{S+P} + 2c_T + 4)
\end{pmatrix},
\]

where all the \(c_i\) are in the NDR scheme, and we have defined \(c_{S+P} = c_S + c_P\), etc. \(\mathcal{M}_b\) continues to be determined from Eq. (B.12). Note that \(\mathcal{M}_c\) is Fierz self-conjugate. The results for NDR' and DRED can be obtained by deleting the numerical constants, i.e. keeping only the terms involving the \(c_i\).

We conclude by presenting the explicit results needed for the matrix elements we study in this paper. The operators of interest are

\[
\mathcal{Q} = \frac{1}{2}[(\bar{s}_a\gamma_{\mu}L_d)\bar{s}_b\gamma_{\mu}L_d + (\bar{s}_a\gamma_{\mu}L_d)(\bar{s}_b\gamma_{\mu}L_d)], \quad (B.24)
\]

\[
\mathcal{Q}_7^{3/2} = (\bar{s}_a\gamma_{\mu}L_d)(\bar{\nu}_b\gamma_{\mu}R_d) - (\bar{\nu}_b\gamma_{\mu}L_d)(\bar{s}_a\gamma_{\mu}R_d) + (\bar{s}_a\gamma_{\mu}L_d)(\bar{\nu}_b\gamma_{\mu}R_d), \quad (B.25)
\]

\[
\mathcal{Q}_S = \frac{1}{2}[(\bar{b}_a\gamma_{\nu}Ls_d)(\bar{b}_b\gamma_{\nu}Ls_d) - \left(\gamma_{\nu}/4\right)(\bar{b}_a\gamma_{\nu}\gamma_{\mu}Ls_d)(\bar{b}_b\gamma_{\nu}\gamma_{\mu}Ls_d)], \quad (B.27)
\]

Following Ref. [31], we have extended \(\mathcal{Q}\) and \(\mathcal{Q}_S\) to \(n\)-dimensions in such a way that the Fierz symmetry is explicit. None of these operators have penguin contractions (in the isospin symmetric limit), and so all can be matched onto the lattice using the approach explained above.

The first step is to rewrite the operators using the four flavor notation. For this purpose it is useful to introduce a third operator basis, that of Fierz self-conjugate and anti-conjugate operators:

\[
\mathcal{O}_i^\pm = [\mathcal{Q}_1^i \pm \mathcal{O}_1^i], \quad (\mathcal{O}_2^i \pm \mathcal{O}_1^i), \quad (\mathcal{O}_3^i \pm \mathcal{O}_2^i), \quad (\mathcal{O}_4^i \pm \mathcal{O}_3^i). \quad (B.28)
\]

The operators of interest can be written in this new basis as

\[
\mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 2\mathcal{O}_1^+, \quad (B.29)
\]

\[
\mathcal{Q}_7^{3/2} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_2^+, \quad (B.30)
\]

\[
\mathcal{Q}_8^{3/2} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_3^+. \quad (B.31)
\]

\[
\mathcal{Q}_S \rightarrow 2\mathcal{O}_4^+, \quad (B.32)
\]

where the factors of two come from the additional Wick contractions for \(\mathcal{Q}\) and \(\mathcal{Q}_S\) compared to the four flavor operators. Fierz symmetry forbids mixing between the \(\mathcal{O}_i^+\) and \(\mathcal{O}_i^-\), and so the matching coefficient falls into two \(5 \times 5\) blocks. We give the results for the Fierz self-conjugate operators:

\[
\mathcal{O}_i^+(\text{NDR}) - \mathcal{O}_i^+(\text{lat}) = \lambda c_{ij}^+ \mathcal{O}_j^+(\text{lat}) \quad (B.33)
\]
The 1-loop continuum operators, in the NDR scheme, are

\[ Z_+ = \frac{1}{3} (5c_V + 5c_A - c_S - c_P) - 2 \]

\[ Z_1 = \frac{1}{6} (9c_V + 9c_A - c_S - c_P) + 1 \]

\[ Z_2 = \frac{4}{3} (c_S + c_P) + 1 \]

\[ Z_{78} = \frac{1}{2} (c_S + c_P - c_V - c_A) - 3 \]

\[ Z_{87} = -3 \]

\[ Z_4 = \frac{1}{12} (10c_T + 11c_S + 11c_P - 2) \]

\[ Z_5 = \frac{1}{3} (10c_T - c_s - c_P - 2) \]

\[ Z_{45} = \frac{1}{12} (2c_T - c_s - c_P - 26) \]

\[ Z_{54} = \frac{1}{3} (2c_T - c_s - c_P - 2) \]

\[ Z^* = c_s - c_P = 2(c_A - c_V) \]

The matrix elements needed in the study of B-lifetimes are those of operators \( c_{ij}^+ \) and \( c_{ij}^- \). Since these are new, we write them in a form which is more directly practical. In the 4-flavor notation these operators are

\[ O_4^+ = (S^2 + P^2) - \frac{1}{2} (S^1 + P^1 - T^1), \]

\[ O_5^+ = (S^1 + P^1) - \frac{1}{2} (S^2 + P^2 - T^2). \]  

The 1-loop continuum operators, in the NDR scheme, are

\[ O_4^+ (\text{cont}) = [1 + \lambda(-46.894 + 2\text{tad} + 28/3 \ln(\mu a))] O_4^+ (\text{lat}) + \lambda(-2.033 - 4/3 \ln(\mu a)) O_5^+ (\text{lat}) \]

\[ + \frac{\lambda Z^*}{24} [2S^1 + 26S^2 - 2P^1 - 26P^2 - 11V^1 + V^2 + 15A^1 + 3A^2], \]

\[ O_5^+ (\text{cont}) = [1 + \lambda(-45.384 + 2\text{tad} - 32/3 \ln(\mu a))] O_5^+ (\text{lat}) + \lambda(-0.131 - 16/3 \ln(\mu a)) O_4^+ (\text{lat}) \]

\[ + \frac{\lambda Z^*}{6} [(P^1 - S^1) + (P^2 - S^2) + V^1 + V^2]. \]
The $B$ parameters are obtained by dividing the above by their VSA forms

\[
\begin{align*}
\mathcal{O}_4^+(\text{VSA}) & = (5/6)[1 + \lambda Z_P]_2^2(P \otimes P), \\
\mathcal{O}_5^+(\text{VSA}) & = (-1/6)[1 + \lambda Z_P]_2^2(P \otimes P). 
\end{align*}
\] (B.37)

These two operators mix under the renormalization group flow. The 1-loop anomalous dimension matrix governing this flow is

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
-28/3 & 4/3 \\
16/3 & 32/3
\end{pmatrix}
\]

and the 2-loop contribution is yet to be calculated. Consequently, we state our results for B-parameters after the 1-loop matching at scale $\mu = q^*$, i.e. without any running in the continuum which requires the 2-loop results.
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