

# Killing the $\rho$ , the $K^*$ , and their ugly cousins

Towards a coherent approach for B decays to unstable particles

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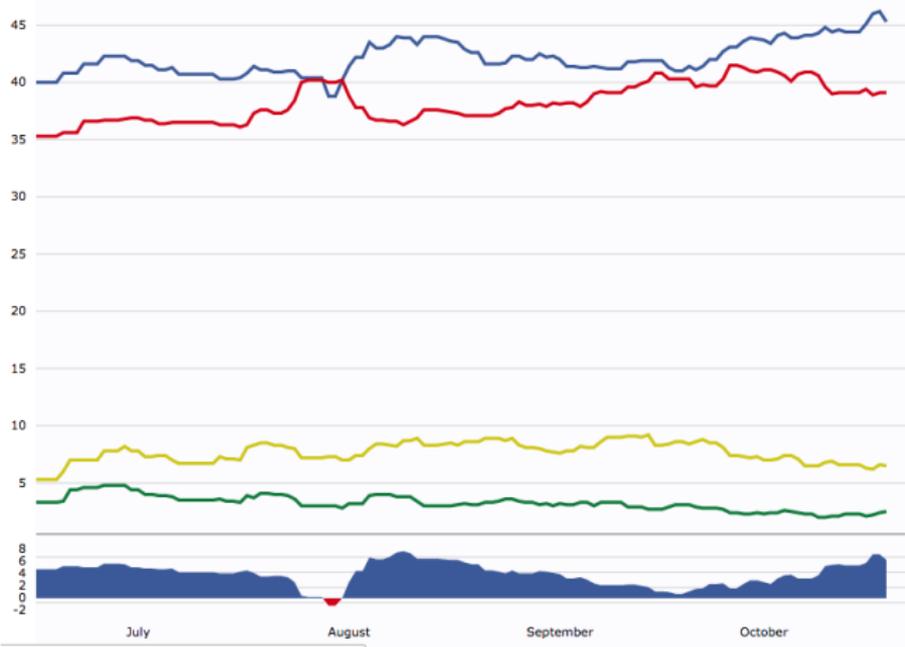
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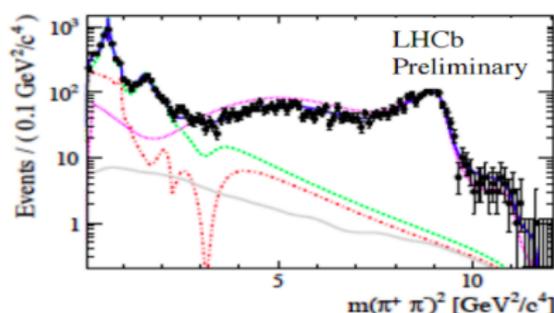
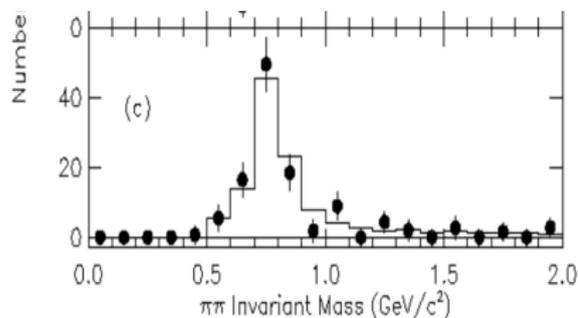
The home country of the next first lady...

Or maybe not ...



# :: What is a $\rho$ meson?

- ▶ **Experimentalist version** : Some bump in a  $\pi\pi$  distribution



Left: the current source for  $B^- \rightarrow D^0 \rho^-$  (CLEO). Right:  $B \rightarrow D \pi^+ \pi^-$  (LHCb).

- ▶ **Theorist version** : A pole in some correlation function

$$\text{Im} \left[ \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle 0 | T \{ j^\mu(x), j_\mu(0) \} | 0 \rangle \right] \sim \delta(q^2 - m_\rho^2) \cdot f_\rho^2 + \dots$$

- ▶ Be not surprised that: **Experimentalist version**  $\neq$  **Theorist version**

## :: Why do we care about this?

- ▷ Measurement of  $V_{ub}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} B \rightarrow \rho l \nu \\ B_s \rightarrow K^* l \nu \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \text{Really are } \begin{pmatrix} B \rightarrow \pi \pi l \nu \\ B_s \rightarrow K \pi l \nu \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▷ Rare penguin decays (NP)

$$\begin{pmatrix} B \rightarrow \rho l l \\ B \rightarrow K^* l l \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \text{Really are } \begin{pmatrix} B \rightarrow \pi \pi l l \\ B \rightarrow K \pi l l \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▷ quasi-two-body decays ( $\alpha$ , CP violation, NP ...)

$$\begin{pmatrix} B \rightarrow \rho \pi \\ B \rightarrow K^* \pi \\ \dots \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \text{Really are } \begin{pmatrix} B \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi \\ B \rightarrow K \pi \pi \\ \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▷ Huge experimental programs for these modes at LHCb and Belle-2  
Huge data sets will require theory precision.

# :: Main theory objects

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$$B \rightarrow \rho \text{ form factors} \quad \longleftarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \quad B \rightarrow \pi\pi \text{ form factors}$$
$$\langle \rho | \bar{q}(x) \Gamma b(0) | \bar{B} \rangle \quad \quad \quad \langle \pi\pi | \bar{q}(x) \Gamma b(0) | \bar{B} \rangle$$

$$\rho\text{-LCDAs...} \quad \longleftarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \quad 2\pi\text{-LCDAs...}$$
$$\langle \rho | \bar{q}(x) \Gamma q(0) | 0 \rangle_{x^2 \rightarrow 0} \quad \quad \quad \langle \pi\pi | \bar{q}(x) \Gamma q(0) | 0 \rangle_{x^2 \rightarrow 0}$$

$$\dots \text{and its normalization } f_\rho \quad \longleftarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \quad \dots \text{and its normalization } F_\pi(s)$$

**OUTLINE of the talk:** Three examples:

- ▷  $B \rightarrow \rho$  and  $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$  form factors from  $B$ -meson LCSRs
- ▷  $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$  form factors from  $2\pi$  LCDAs
- ▷ Quasi-two-body non-leptonic decays

## :: QCD Sum Rules: crash course

- ▷ Imagine you have some correlation function

$$\Pi(q^2, \dots) = \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle \alpha | T \{ j_1(x), j_2(0) \} | \beta \rangle$$

with (only) a cut for real  $q^2 > s_{th}$ , and calculable via some OPE at  $q^2 = \bar{q}^2$ .

- ▷ One can write a dispersion relation:

$$\Pi_{\text{OPE}}(\bar{q}^2, \dots) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{s_{th}}^{\infty} ds \frac{\text{Im} \Pi(s, \dots)}{s - \bar{q}^2}$$

- ▷ The L.H.S. can be calculated perturbatively (by assumption) in conjunction with a power expansion, and the R.H.S. is given by unitarity:

$$2\text{Im} \Pi(s) = (2\pi) \delta(s - m_\lambda^2) \langle \alpha | j_1 | \lambda \rangle \langle \lambda | j_2 | \beta \rangle + \text{higher states}$$

- ▷ Finally, a **Borel Transformation**  $\bar{q}^2 \rightarrow M^2$  takes care of possible subtractions, convergence of the OPE and suppression of higher states:

$$\Pi_{\text{OPE}}(M^2, \dots) = \langle \alpha | j_1 | \lambda \rangle \langle \lambda | j_2 | \beta \rangle e^{-m_\lambda^2 / M^2}$$

# :: $B \rightarrow \rho$ form factors from $B$ -meson LCSRs

Khodjamirian, Mannel, Offen '06

## ▷ Correlation function

$$F_\mu(k, q) = i \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \langle 0 | T \{ \bar{d}(x) \gamma_\mu u(x), \bar{u}(0) i m_b \gamma_5 b(0) \} | \bar{B}^0(q+k) \rangle$$

## ▷ Unitarity relation

$$\begin{aligned} 2\text{Im}F_\mu(k, q) &= \sum_\lambda (2\pi) \delta(k^2 - m_\rho^2) \underbrace{\langle 0 | \bar{d} \gamma_\mu u | \rho_\lambda(k) \rangle}_{m_\rho f_\rho \varepsilon(\lambda)_\mu} \underbrace{\langle \rho_\lambda(k) | \bar{u} i m_b \gamma_5 b | \bar{B}^0(q+k) \rangle}_{(\varepsilon(\lambda)^+ \cdot q) A_0^{B\rho}(q^2)} + \dots \\ &= q_\mu 4\pi m_\rho f_\rho A_0^{B\rho}(q^2) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

## ▷ Dispersion relation + LCOPE + Borel + duality

$$2m_\rho f_\rho A_0^{B\rho}(q^2) e^{-m_\rho^2/M^2} = F_{OPE}(M^2, q^2)$$

# :: $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$ form factors from $B$ -meson LCSRs

Cheng, Khodjamirian, JV '16?

## ▷ Correlation function

$$F_\mu(k, q) = i \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \langle 0 | T \{ \bar{d}(x) \gamma_\mu u(x), m_b \bar{u}(0) \gamma_5 b(0) \} | \bar{B}^0(q+k) \rangle$$

## ▷ Unitarity relation

$$\begin{aligned} 2\text{Im}F_\mu(k, q) &= m_b \int d\tau_{2\pi} \underbrace{\langle 0 | \bar{d} \gamma_\mu u | \pi(k_1) \pi(k_2) \rangle}_{F_\pi^*(s)} \underbrace{\langle \pi(k_1) \pi(k_2) | \bar{u} \gamma_5 b | \bar{B}^0(q+k) \rangle}_{F_t(s, q^2, \cos \theta_\pi)} + \dots \\ &= q_\mu \frac{s \sqrt{q^2} \beta_\pi(s)^2}{4\sqrt{6}\pi\sqrt{\lambda}} F_\pi^*(s) F_t^{(\ell=1)}(s, q^2) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Corollary:  $F_\pi^*(s) F_t^{(\ell=1)}(s, q^2)$  is real for all  $s < 16m_\pi^2 \Rightarrow$

$$\text{Phase}(F^{B \rightarrow \pi\pi}) = \text{Phase}(\text{pion form factor})$$

Important for CP violation!!!

[See also Kang, Kubis, Hanhart, Meissner '13]

# :: $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$ form factors from $B$ -meson LCSRs

Cheng, Khodjamirian, JV '16?

## ▷ Dispersion relation + LCOPE + Borel + duality

$$-\int_{4m_\pi^2}^{s_0^{2\pi}} ds e^{-s/M^2} \frac{s \sqrt{q^2} [\beta_\pi(s)]^2}{4\sqrt{6}\pi^2\sqrt{\lambda}} F_\pi^*(s) F_t^{(1)}(s, q^2) = F_{OPE}(M^2, q^2)$$

## ▷ $\rho$ -dominance + zero-width limit:

$$F_\pi^*(s) \simeq \frac{f_\rho g_{\rho\pi\pi} m_\rho / \sqrt{2}}{m_\rho^2 - s + i\sqrt{2}\Gamma_\rho(s)}, \quad F_t^{(1)}(s, q^2) \simeq -\frac{\beta_\pi(s)\sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{3}q^2} \frac{m_\rho g_{\rho\pi\pi} A_0^{B\rho}(q^2)}{m_\rho^2 - s - i\sqrt{2}\Gamma_\rho(s)}$$

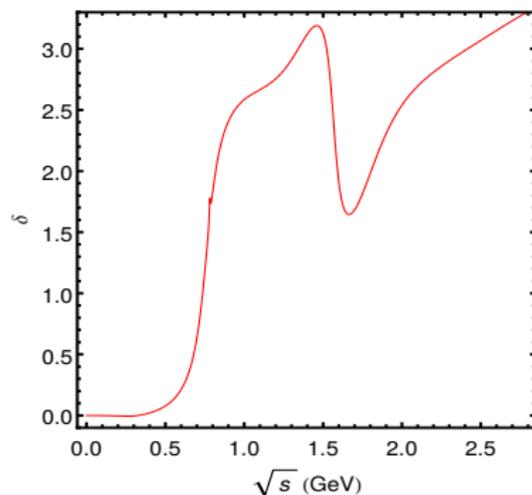
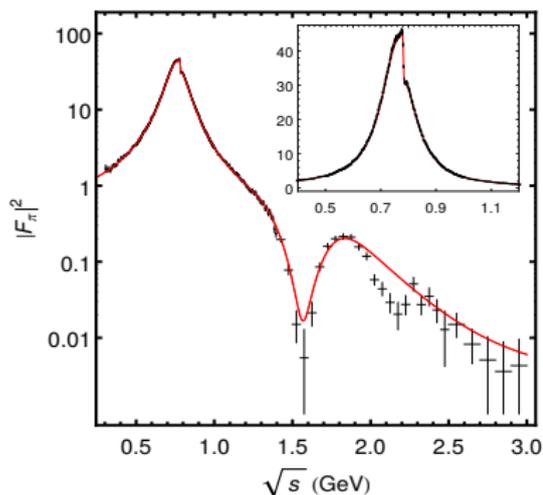
$$LHS = 2f_\rho m_\rho A_0^{B\rho}(q^2) \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{s_0^{2\pi}} ds e^{-s/M^2} \underbrace{\left[ \frac{\sqrt{s} \Gamma_\rho(s) / \pi}{(m_\rho^2 - s)^2 + s\Gamma_\rho^2(s)} \right]}_{\xrightarrow{\Gamma_\rho \rightarrow 0} \delta(s - m_\rho^2)} \xrightarrow{\Gamma_\rho \rightarrow 0} 2f_\rho m_\rho A_0^{B\rho}(q^2) e^{-m_\rho^2/M^2}$$

$\rho$  sum rule ✓

# :: $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$ form factors from $B$ -meson LCSRs

Cheng, Khodjamirian, JV '16?

The main input is the pion form factor:



Source:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi\pi(\gamma)$  [Babar] and  $\tau \rightarrow \pi\pi\ell\nu$  [Belle].

# :: $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$ form factors from $2\pi$ -LCDAs

Hambrock, Khodjamirian, 2015; Cheng, Khodjamirian, JV w.i.p

## ▷ Correlation function

$$\Pi^5(p^2, k^2, q^2, q \cdot \bar{k}) = i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle \pi^+(k_1) \pi^0(k_2) | T \{ \bar{u}(x) i m_b \gamma_5 b(x), \bar{b}(0) i m_b \gamma_5 d(0) \} | 0 \rangle$$

## ▷ Unitarity relation

$$\begin{aligned} 2\text{Im}\Pi^5 &= (2\pi) \delta(p^2 - m_B^2) \underbrace{\langle \pi^+(k_1) \pi^0(k_2) | \bar{u} i m_b \gamma_5 b | \bar{B}(p) \rangle}_{\sqrt{q^2} F_t(q^2, k^2, q \cdot k)} \underbrace{\langle \bar{B}(p) | \bar{b} i m_b \gamma_5 d | 0 \rangle}_{m_B^2 f_B} + \dots \\ &= (2\pi) \delta(p^2 - m_B^2) m_B^2 f_B \sqrt{q^2} F_t(q^2, k^2, q \cdot k) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

## ▷ Dispersion relation + LCOPE + Borel + duality

$$m_B^2 f_B \sqrt{q^2} F_t(q^2, k^2, q \cdot k) e^{-m_B^2/M^2} = \Pi_{OPE}^5(M^2, q^2, k^2, q \cdot \bar{k})$$

# :: $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$ form factors from $2\pi$ -LCDAs

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- ▷ In this case:

$$\Pi_{OPE}^5(M^2, q^2, k^2, q \cdot \bar{k}) = \frac{m_b^2}{\sqrt{2}} \int_{u_0}^1 \frac{du}{u^2} e^{-s(u)/M^2} (m_b^2 - q^2 + u^2 k^2) \Phi_{\parallel}(u, q \cdot \bar{k}, k^2)$$

- ▷ Where the  $2\pi$  LCDA is defined as

$$\Phi_{\parallel}^q(z, \zeta, s) = \int \frac{dx^-}{2\pi} e^{iz(k_{12}^+ x^-)} \langle \pi^+(k_1) \pi^-(k_2) | \bar{q}(x^- n_-) \not{q}(0) | 0 \rangle$$

- ▷ The  $2\pi$  LCDA is normalized to the pion form factor:

$$\int dz \Phi_{\parallel}(z, \zeta, s) = (2\zeta - 1) F_{\pi}(s)$$

but for the sum rule we need higher moments.

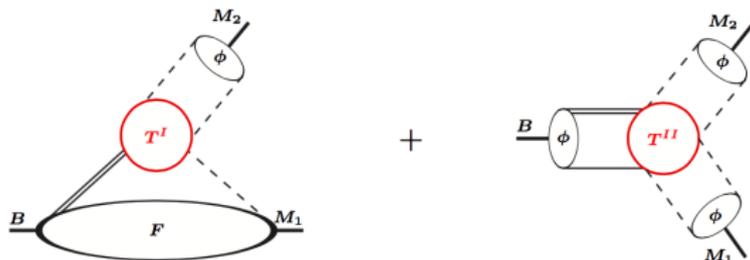
- ▷ Narrow- $\rho$  dominance on  $\Phi_{\parallel}$  leads to  $B \rightarrow \rho$  form factor from  $\rho$ -LCDA. ✓

# :: Two-body decays

To leading power in the heavy-quark expansion

Beneke, Buchalla, Neubert, Sachrajda '99

$$\langle M_1 M_2 | \mathcal{O}_i | B \rangle = F^{BM_1} \int du T_i^I(u) \phi_{M_2}(u) + \int d\omega du dv T_i^{II}(\omega, u, v) \phi_B(\omega) \phi_{M_1}(u) \phi_{M_2}(v)$$

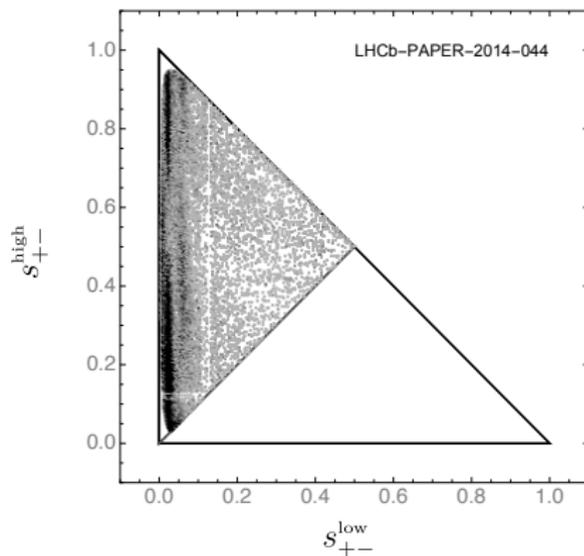
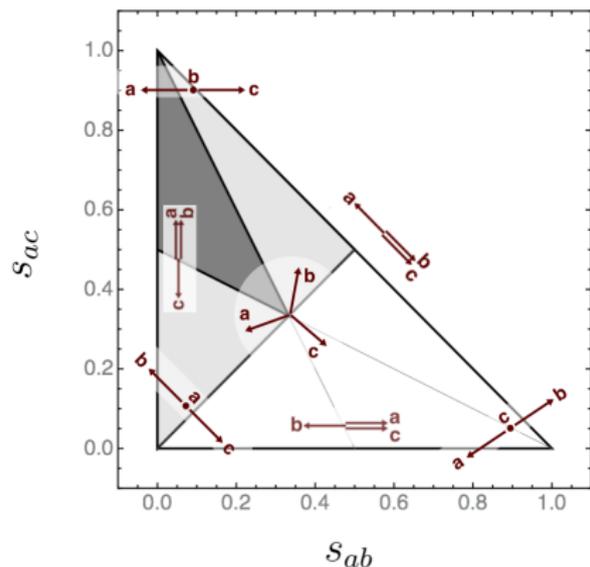


- ▷ Vertex corrections:  $T^I(u) = 1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s/\pi)$
- ▷ Spectator scattering:  $T^{II}(\omega, u, v) = \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$
- ▷ This applies for example to  $B \rightarrow \rho\pi$ .

# :: Three-body decays – kinematics

▷  $\bar{B} \rightarrow M_a(p_a)M_b(p_b)M_c(p_c)$

▷ Two independent invariants, e.g.  $s_{ab} = \frac{(p_a+p_b)^2}{m_B^2}$  and  $s_{ac} = \frac{(p_a+p_c)^2}{m_B^2}$



$$\therefore B \rightarrow \pi\rho \text{ vs. } B \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi$$

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This is **always** an improvement w.r.t. quasi-two-body decays:

$$\mathcal{A}(B^- \rightarrow \pi^- [\pi^+ \pi^-]) = F^{B \rightarrow \pi} T_1 \star \phi_{\pi\pi} + F^{B \rightarrow \pi\pi} T_2 \star \phi_\pi$$

$$\downarrow \quad \rho \text{ dominance} + \text{zero-width limit}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(B^- \rightarrow \pi^- \rho) = F^{B \rightarrow \pi} T_1 \star \phi_\rho + F^{B \rightarrow \rho} T_2 \star \phi_\pi$$

This limit can be checked analytically.

- ▷ Factorization is at the same level of theoretical rigour for quasi-two-body and 3-body.
- ▷ Any model for  $\phi_{\pi\pi}$  and  $F^{B \rightarrow \pi\pi}$  satisfying axiomatic constraints and compatible with data (e.g.  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi\pi$ ) replaces any notion of “ $\rho$ ”.

# :: $B \rightarrow \pi\rho$ vs. $B \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi$

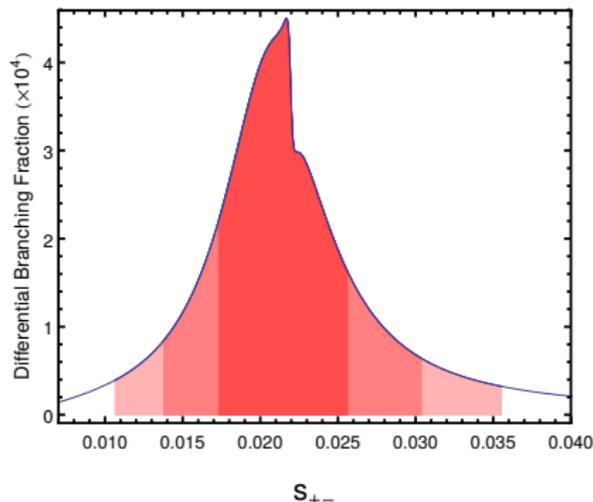
★ Leading order amplitude:

Krankl, Mannel, JV '15

$$\mathcal{A}|_{s_{+-} \ll 1} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ 4m_B^2 f_0(s_{+-})(2\zeta - 1) F_\pi(s_{+-})(a_2 + a_4) + f_\pi m_\pi (a_1 - a_4) F_t(\zeta, s_{+-}) \right]$$

★ Integrating around the  $\rho$ :

$$BR(B^- \rightarrow \rho\pi^-) \simeq \int_0^1 ds_{++} \int_{s_\rho^-}^{s_\rho^+} ds_{+-} \frac{\tau_B m_B |\mathcal{A}|^2}{32(2\pi)^3}$$



with  $s_\rho^\pm = (m_\rho \pm n\Gamma_\rho)^2 / m_B^2$

$$BR(B^+ \rightarrow \rho\pi^+) \simeq 9.4 \cdot 10^{-6} \quad (n = 0.5)$$

$$BR(B^+ \rightarrow \rho\pi^+) \simeq 12.8 \cdot 10^{-6} \quad (n = 1)$$

$$BR(B^+ \rightarrow \rho\pi^+) \simeq 14.1 \cdot 10^{-6} \quad (n = 1.5)$$

$$BR(B^+ \rightarrow \rho\pi^+)_{\text{EXP}} = (8.3 \pm 1.2) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

$$BR(B^+ \rightarrow \rho\pi^+)_{\text{QCDF}} = (11.9^{+7.8}_{-6.1}) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

## :: Summary

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- ▶ B-decays to unstable particles can be described model-independently in terms of their underlying multi-body decays.
- ▶ Need better knowledge of  $(\pi\pi)$ ,  $(K\pi)$ , ... light-cone distributions, including the local normalizations, and in different partial waves.
- ▶ Multi-body form factors can be calculated using LCSRs (not lattice!!)
- ▶ Very important in view of future luminosities at LHCb and Belle-2.
- ▶ This is just a glimpse.