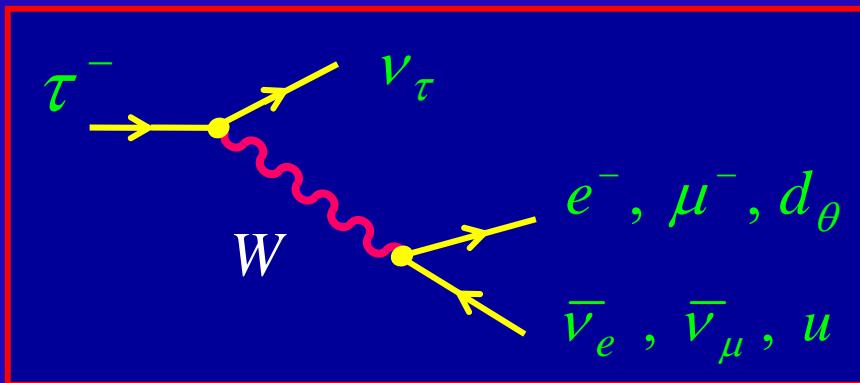
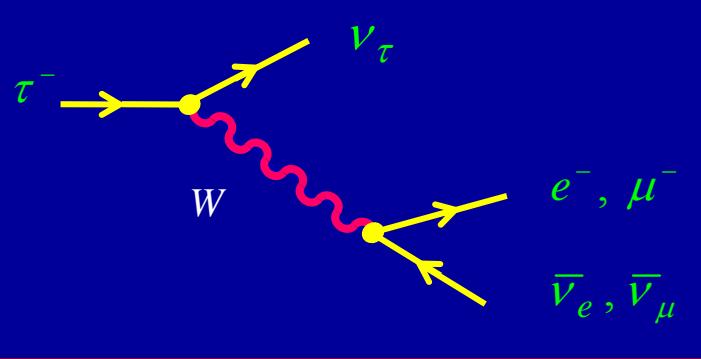


Recent Progress on Tau Lepton Physics



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$$\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau l \bar{\nu}_l) = \frac{G_F^2 m_\tau^5}{192 \pi^3} f(m_l^2/m_\tau^2) r_{\text{EW}}$$

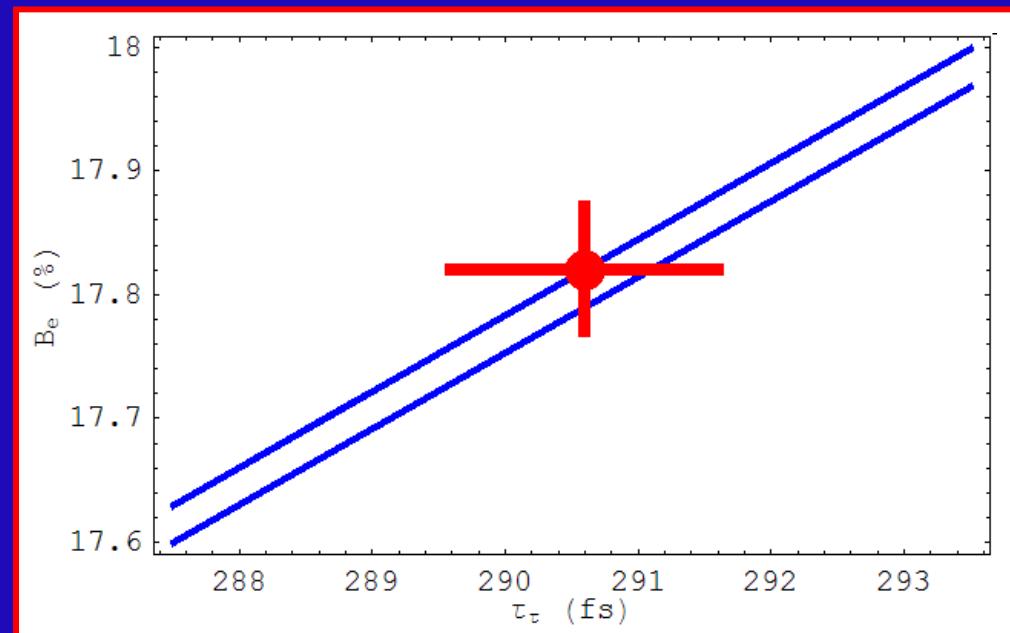
$$f(x) = 1 - 8x + 8x^3 - x^4 - 12x^2 \log x$$

$$r_{\text{EW}} = 0.9960 \quad (\text{Marciano-Sirlin})$$

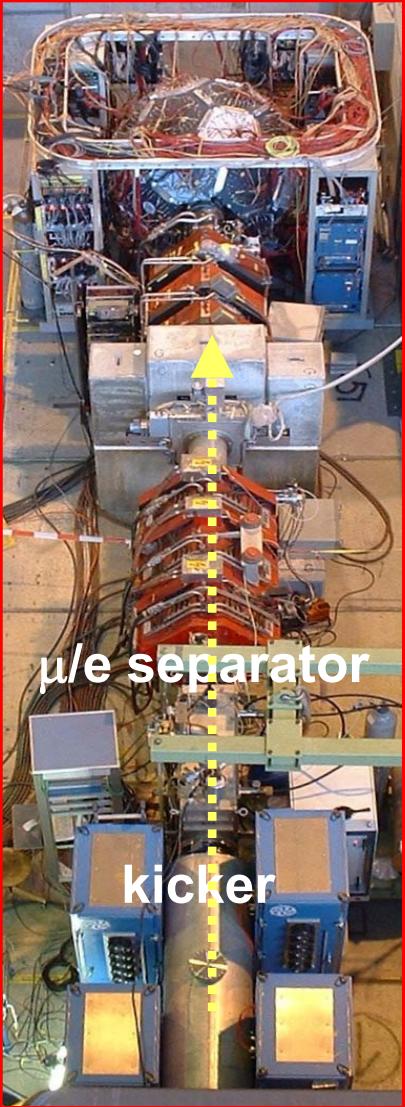


$$B_e = \frac{B_\mu}{0.972564 \pm 0.000010} = \frac{\tau_\tau}{(1632.1 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-15} \text{ s}}$$

$$(B_\mu/B_e)_{\text{exp}} = 0.9725 \pm 0.0039$$



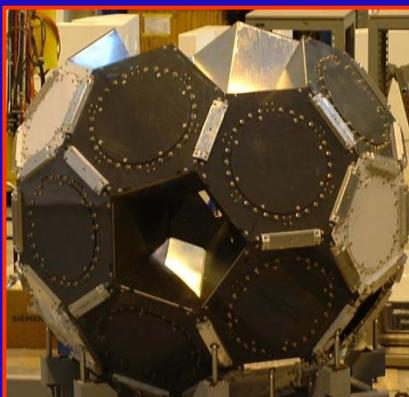
Muon Lifetime



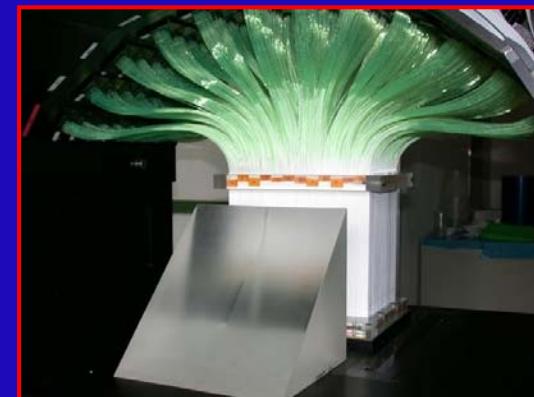
$$\tau_\mu (\mu s) = \begin{cases} 2.19703 \pm 0.00004 \\ 2.197013 \pm 0.000024 \\ 2.197083 \pm 0.000035 \end{cases}$$

PDG '06
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FAST '08

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$$\frac{1}{\tau_\mu} = \frac{G_F^2 m_\mu^5}{192 \pi^3} (1 + \delta_{\text{QED}})$$

δ_{QED} known to 0.3 ppm
(van-Ritbergen & Stuart)

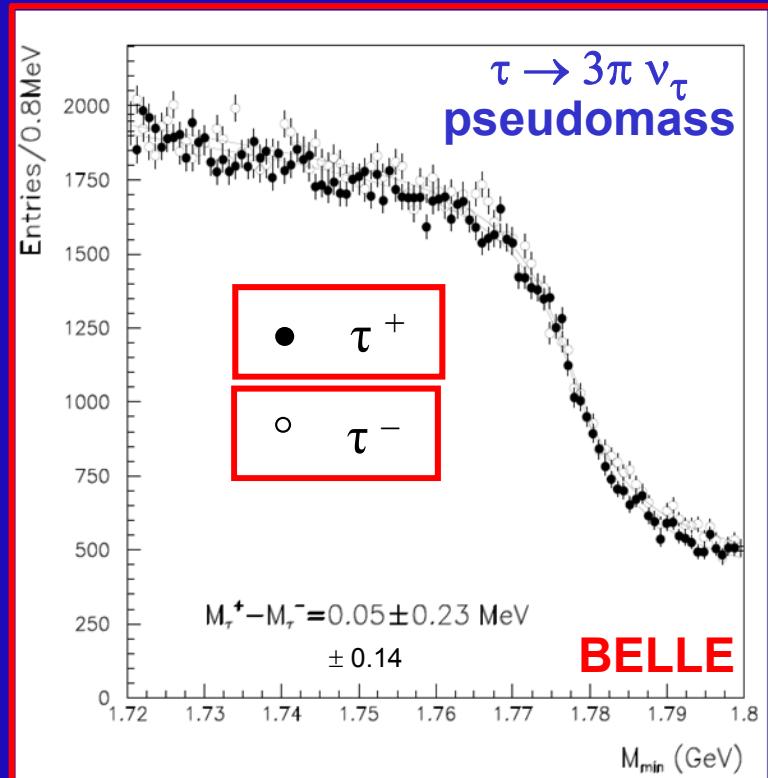
New World Average:

$$\tau_\mu = 2.197\ 034\ (18)\ \mu s \quad \rightarrow \quad G_F = 1.166\ 367\ (6) \times 10^{-5}\ \text{GeV}^{-2} \quad (5\ \text{ppm})$$

τ_τ , $\text{Br}(\tau \rightarrow \mu)$, $\text{Br}(\tau \rightarrow e) \sim 0.3\%$ precision

Future Improvements: BABAR, BELLE, KEDR, BESIII, SuperB, ...

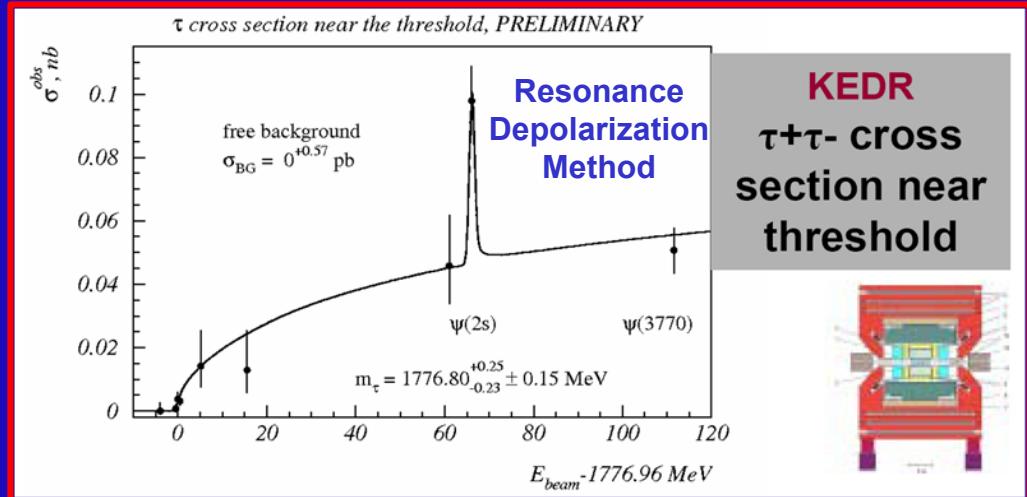
$$\delta m_\tau \sim 0.023 \text{ MeV (12.7 ppm)} \quad \text{BESIII}$$



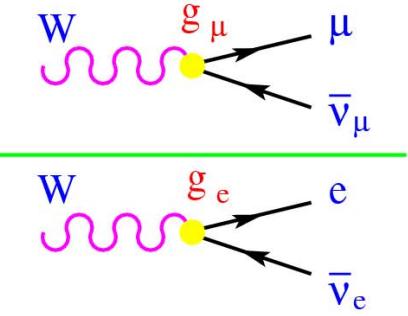
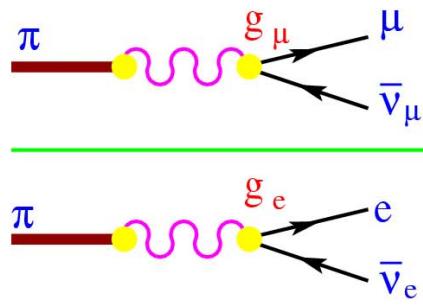
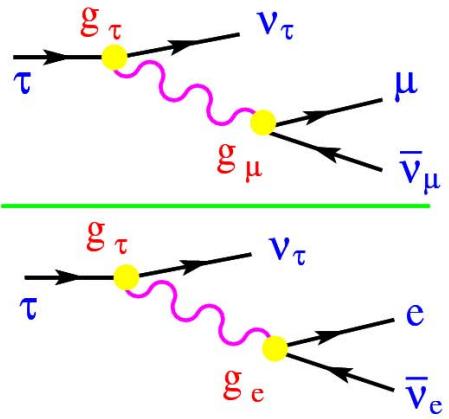
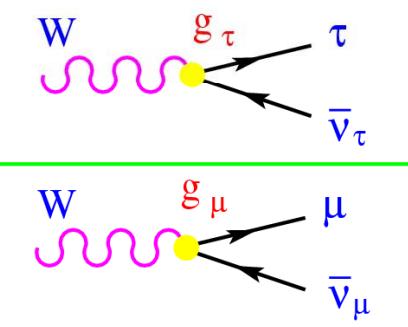
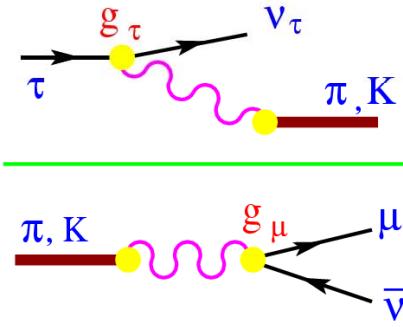
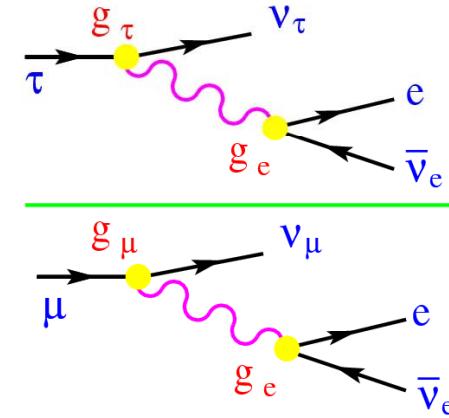
$$m_\tau = 1776.99^{+0.29}_{-0.26} \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{PDG06})$$

$$1776.61 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.35 \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{BELLE})$$

$$1776.81 \pm 0.25^{+0.25}_{-0.23} \pm 0.15 \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{KEDR})$$



LEPTON UNIVERSALITY

 $\frac{g_\mu}{g_e}$

 $\frac{g_\tau}{g_\mu}$


CHARGED CURRENT UNIVERSALITY

$$\left| g_\mu / g_e \right|$$

$B_{\tau \rightarrow \mu} / B_{\tau \rightarrow e}$	1.0000 ± 0.0020
$B_{\pi \rightarrow \mu} / B_{\pi \rightarrow e}$	1.0021 ± 0.0016
$B_{K \rightarrow \mu} / B_{K \rightarrow e}$	1.004 ± 0.007
$B_{K \rightarrow \pi \mu} / B_{K \rightarrow \pi e}$	1.002 ± 0.002
$B_{W \rightarrow \mu} / B_{W \rightarrow e}$	0.997 ± 0.010

$$\left| g_\tau / g_\mu \right|$$

$B_{\tau \rightarrow e} \tau_\mu / \tau_\tau$	1.0006 ± 0.0022
$\Gamma_{\tau \rightarrow \pi} / \Gamma_{\pi \rightarrow \mu}$	0.996 ± 0.005
$\Gamma_{\tau \rightarrow K} / \Gamma_{K \rightarrow \mu}$	0.979 ± 0.017
$B_{W \rightarrow \tau} / B_{W \rightarrow \mu}$	1.039 ± 0.013

$$\left| g_\tau / g_e \right|$$

$B_{\tau \rightarrow \mu} \tau_\mu / \tau_\tau$	1.0005 ± 0.0023
$B_{W \rightarrow \tau} / B_{W \rightarrow e}$	1.036 ± 0.014

LEPTON FLAVOUR VIOLATION

90% CL Upper Limits on $\text{Br}(\ell^- \rightarrow X^-)$ [BABAR / BELLE]

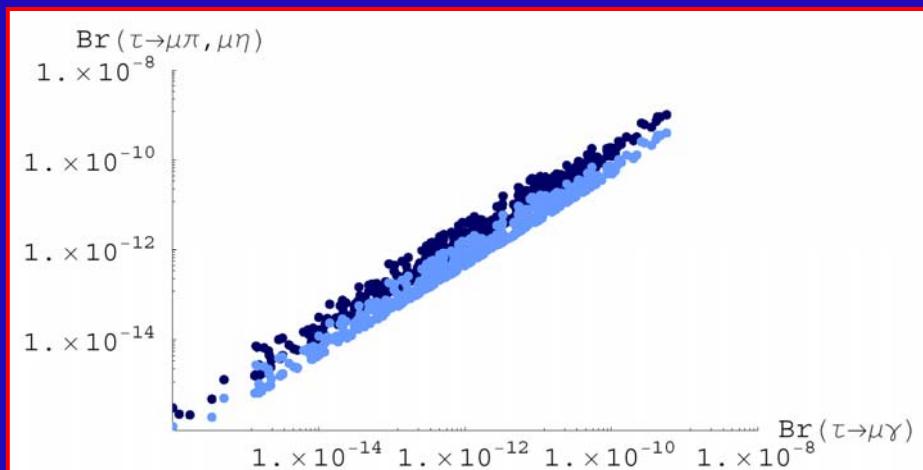
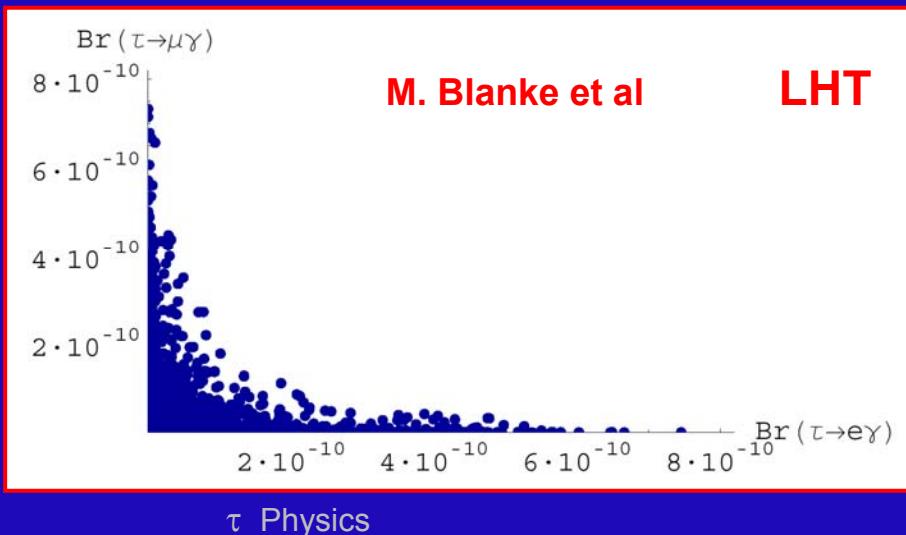
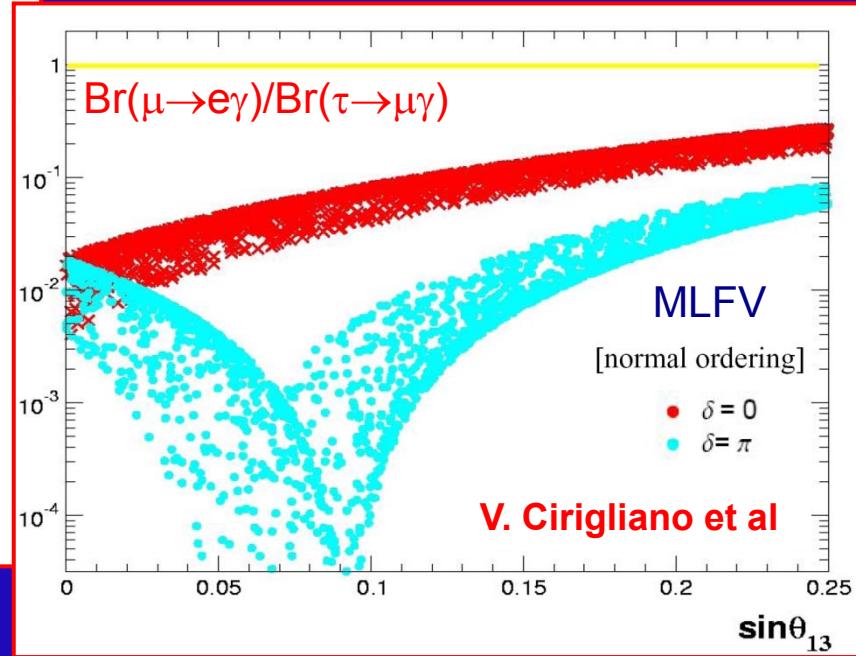
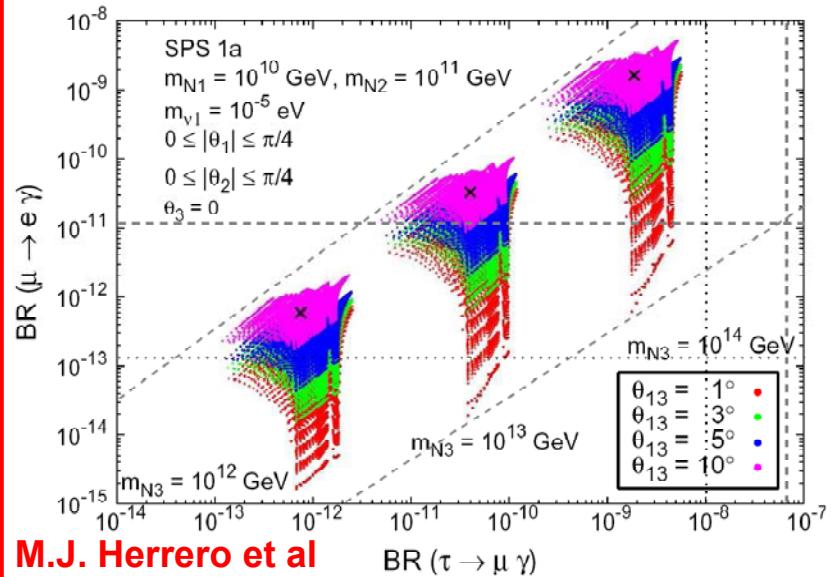
Decay	U.L.	Decay	U.L.	Decay	U.L.
$\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma \gamma$	$7.2 \cdot 10^{-11}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$	$3.6 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ \mu^-$	$2.7 \cdot 10^{-8}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \gamma$	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^+ \mu^-$	$3.7 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+ \mu^-$	$2.3 \cdot 10^{-8}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^- \mu^+$	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$	$3.2 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \pi^0$	$8.0 \cdot 10^{-8}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^0$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \eta'$	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \eta'$	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-7}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \eta$	$9.2 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \eta$	$6.5 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- K^{*0}$	$7.8 \cdot 10^{-8}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- K_S$	$5.6 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- K_S$	$4.9 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \rho^0$	$6.8 \cdot 10^{-8}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- K^+ K^-$	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- K^+ \pi^-$	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \pi^+ K^-$	$3.2 \cdot 10^{-7}$
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$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- K^{*0}$	$5.9 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \phi$	$7.3 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \omega$	$8.9 \cdot 10^{-8}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+ K^- K^-$	$4.4 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+ K^- \pi^-$	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \pi^- \pi^-$	$0.7 \cdot 10^{-7}$

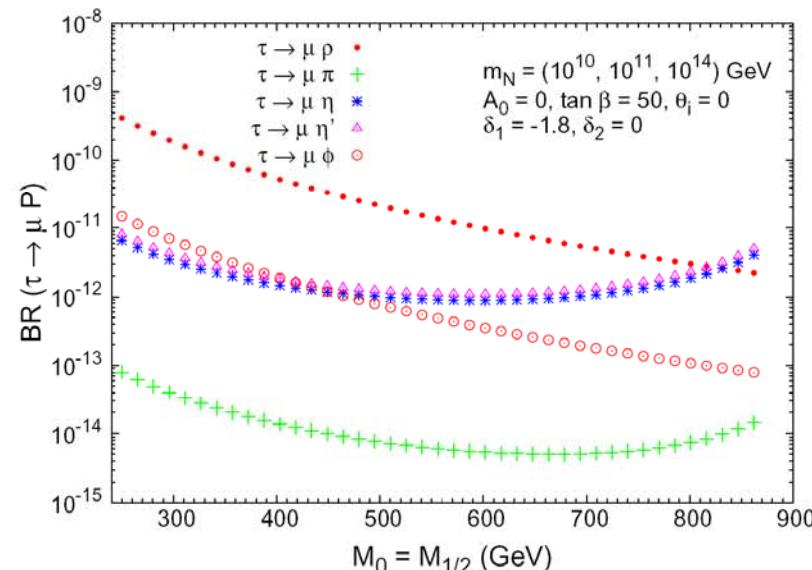
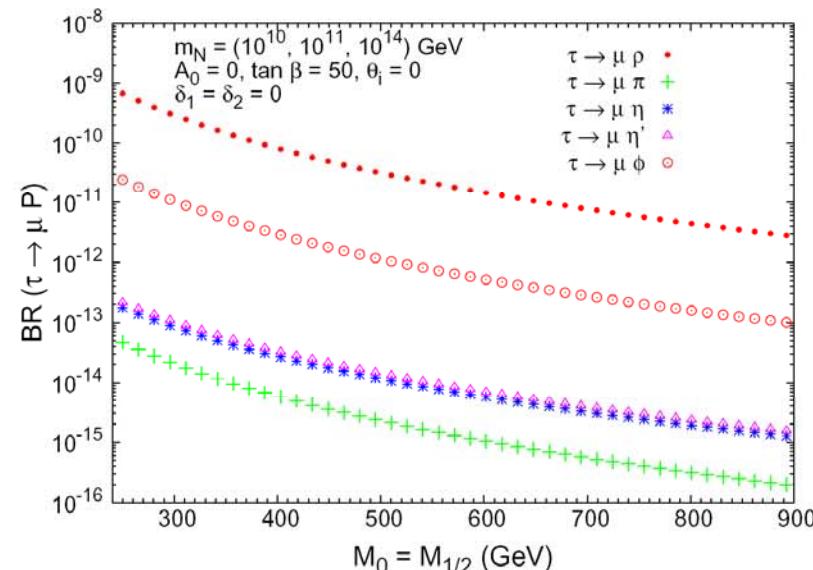
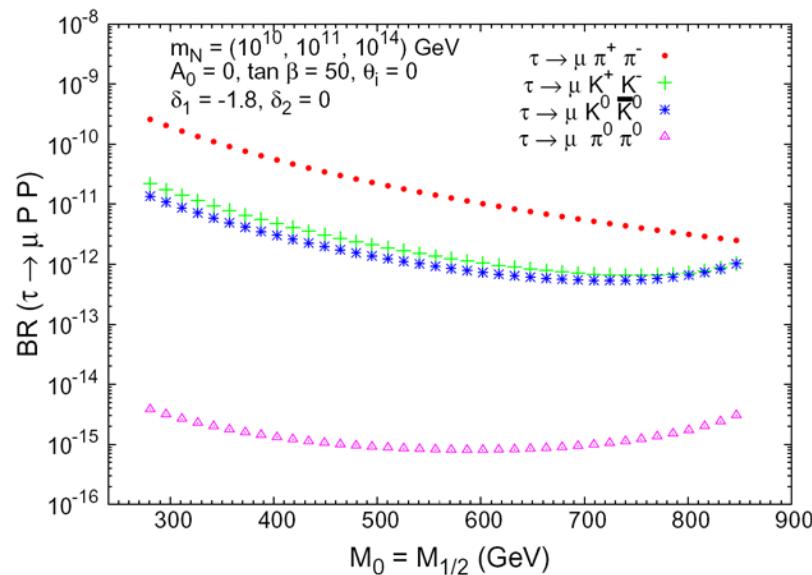
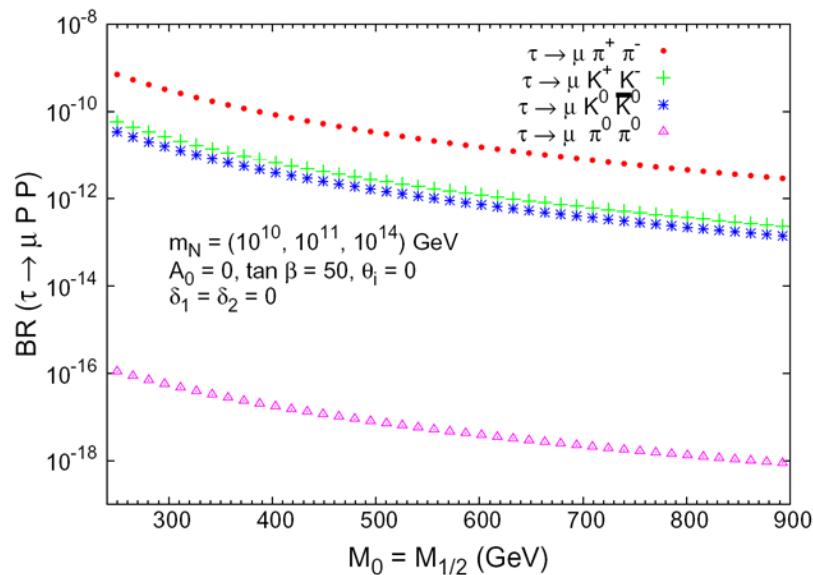
Impact of θ_{13} on LFV processes

(All plotted points lead to 'viable BAU' and respect EDM bounds)

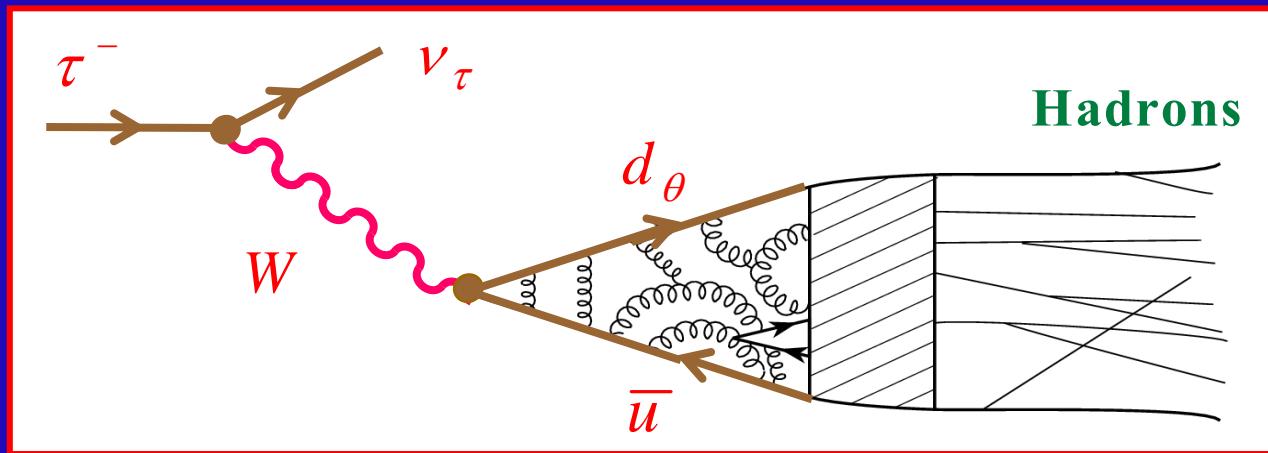
$$(-\pi/4 \lesssim \arg\theta_1 \lesssim \pi/4, 0 \lesssim \arg\theta_2 \lesssim \pi/4)$$

MEG: $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma) \sim 10^{-13}$
Prism: $\text{Pr}(\mu \rightarrow e) \sim 10^{-18}$
SuperB: $\text{Br}(\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma) \sim 10^{-9}$





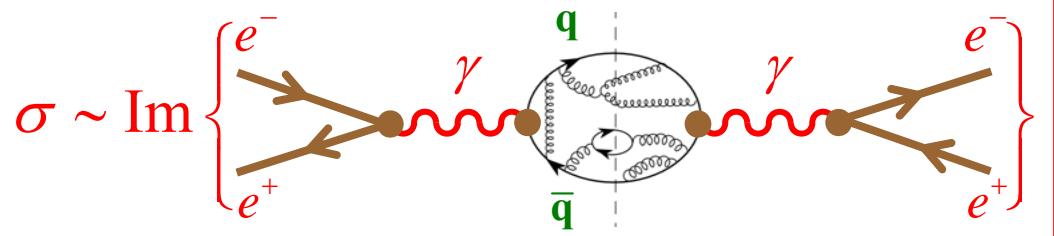
HADRONIC TAU DECAY



$$d_\theta = V_{ud} \ d + V_{us} \ s$$

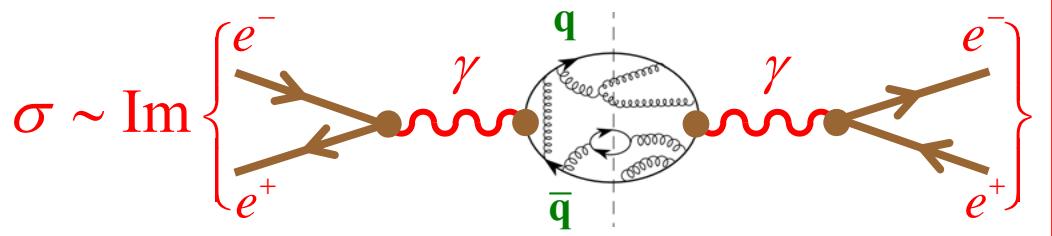
Only lepton massive enough to decay into hadrons

$$R_\tau \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{Hadrons})}{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau e^- \bar{\nu}_e)} \approx N_c \quad ; \quad R_\tau = \frac{1 - B_e - B_\mu}{B_e} = 3.639 \pm 0.011$$



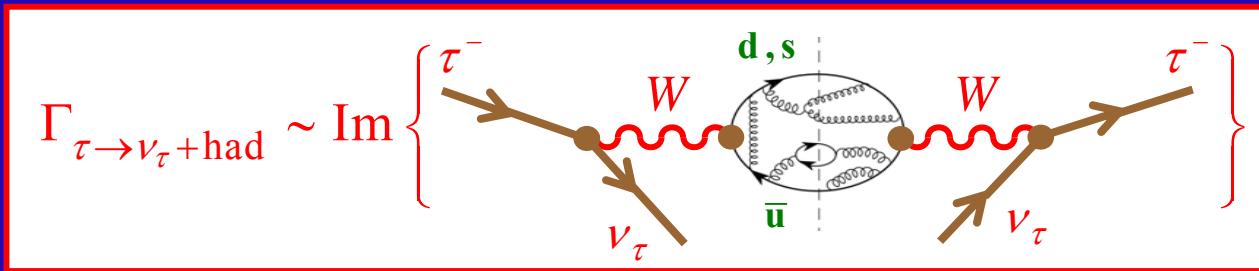
$$\frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{had})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} = 12\pi \text{ Im} \Pi_{\text{em}}(s)$$

$$\Pi_{\text{em}}^{\mu\nu}(q) \equiv i \int d^4x \ e^{iqx} \langle 0 | T[J_{\text{em}}^\mu(x) J_{\text{em}}^\nu(0)] | 0 \rangle = (-g^{\mu\nu}q^2 + q^\mu q^\nu) \Pi_{\text{em}}(q^2)$$



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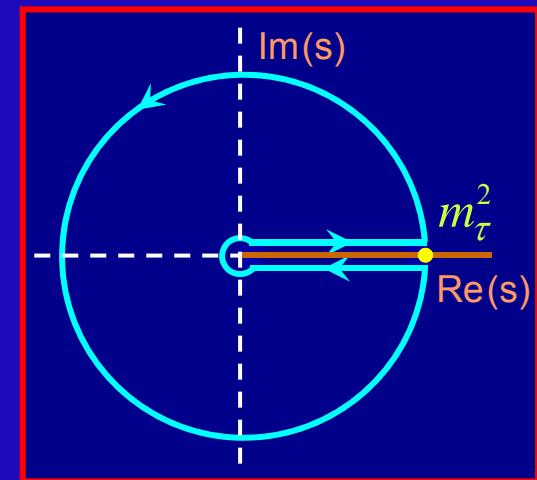
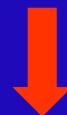


$$R_\tau \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{had})}{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau e^- \bar{\nu}_e)} = 12\pi \int_0^{m_\tau^2} dx \left(1 - \frac{s}{m_\tau^2}\right)^2 \left[\left(1 + 2\frac{s}{m_\tau^2}\right) \text{Im} \Pi^{(1)}(s) + \text{Im} \Pi^{(0)}(s) \right]$$

$$\Pi^{(J)}(s) \equiv |V_{ud}|^2 \left[\Pi_{ud,V}^{(J)}(s) + \Pi_{ud,A}^{(J)}(s) \right] + |V_{us}|^2 \left[\Pi_{us,V}^{(J)}(s) + \Pi_{us,A}^{(J)}(s) \right]$$

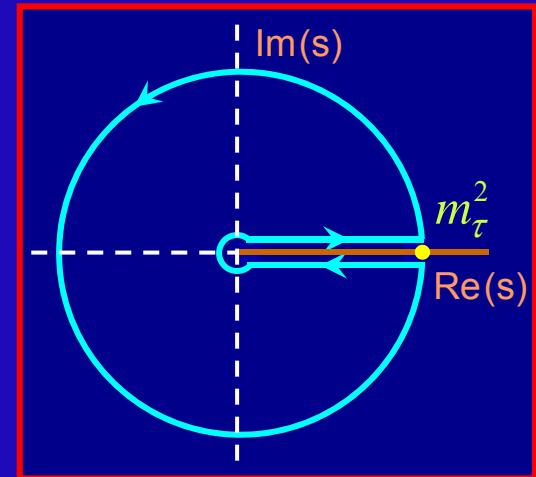
$$\Pi_{ij,J}^{\mu\nu}(q) \equiv i \int d^4x e^{iqx} \langle 0 | T[J_{ij}^\mu(x) J_{ij}^\nu(0)^\dagger] | 0 \rangle = (-g^{\mu\nu} q^2 + q^\mu q^\nu) \Pi_{ij,J}^{(1)}(q^2) + q^\mu q^\nu \Pi_{ij,J}^{(0)}(q^2)$$

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$$R_\tau = 6\pi i \oint_{|x|=1} dx (1-x)^2 \left[(1+2x) \Pi^{(0+1)}(xm_\tau^2) - 2x \Pi^{(0)}(xm_\tau^2) \right]$$

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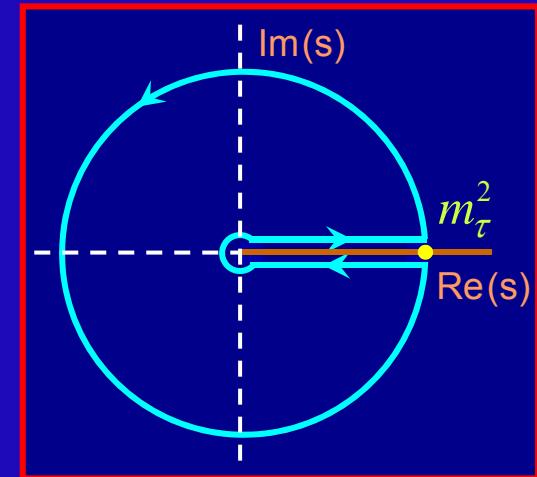


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OPE

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$$\Pi^{(J)}(s) = \sum_{D=2n} \frac{C_D^{(J)}(s, \mu) \langle O_D(\mu) \rangle}{(-s)^{D/2}} \quad \text{OPE}$$

$$R_\tau = N_C S_{\text{EW}} \left(1 + \delta_{\text{P}} + \delta_{\text{NP}} \right) = R_{\tau,V} + R_{\tau,A} + R_{\tau,S}$$

$$S_{\text{EW}} = 1.0201(3)$$

Marciano-Sirlin, Braaten-Li, Erler

$$\delta_{\text{NP}} = -0.0059 \pm 0.0014$$

Fitted from data (Davier et al)

$$\delta_{\text{P}} = a_\tau + 5.20 a_\tau^2 + 26 a_\tau^3 + \dots \approx 20\% \quad ; \quad a_\tau \equiv \alpha_s(m_\tau)/\pi$$

Perturbative: ($m_q=0$)

$$K_4 = 49.07570 \quad (\text{Baikov-Chetyrkin-Kühn '08})$$

$$-s \frac{d}{ds} \Pi^{(0+1)}(s) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \sum_{n=0} K_n \left(\frac{\alpha_s(-s)}{\pi} \right)^n ; \quad K_0 = K_1 = 1 , \quad K_2 = 1.63982 , \quad K_3 = 6.37101$$

→ $\delta_P = \sum_{n=1} K_n A^{(n)}(\alpha_s) = a_\tau + 5.20 a_\tau^2 + 26 a_\tau^3 + 127 a_\tau^4 + \dots$

Le Diberder- Pich '92

$$A^{(n)}(\alpha_s) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|x|=1} \frac{dx}{x} (1 - 2x + 2x^3 - x^4) \left(\frac{\alpha_s(-s)}{\pi} \right)^n = a_\tau^n + \dots ; \quad a_\tau \equiv \alpha_s(m_\tau)/\pi$$

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Power Corrections:

Braaten-Narison-Pich

$$\Pi_{\text{OPE}}^{(0+1)}(s) \approx \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{C_{2n} \langle O_{2n} \rangle}{(-s)^n}$$

$$C_4 \langle O_4 \rangle \approx \frac{2\pi}{3} \langle 0 | \alpha_s G^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu} | 0 \rangle$$

$$\delta_{\text{NP}} \approx \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|x|=1} dx (1 - 3x^2 + 2x^3) \sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{C_{2n} \langle O_{2n} \rangle}{(-xm_\tau^2)^n} = -3 \frac{C_6 \langle O_6 \rangle}{m_\tau^6} - 2 \frac{C_8 \langle O_8 \rangle}{m_\tau^8}$$

Suppressed by m_τ^6 [additional chiral suppression in $C_6 \langle O_6 \rangle^{V+A}$]

Similar predictions for $R_{\tau,V}$, $R_{\tau,A}$, $R_{\tau,S}$ and the moments

$$R_{\tau}^{kl}(s_0) \equiv \int_0^{s_0} ds \left(1 - \frac{s}{s_0}\right)^k \left(\frac{s}{m_{\tau}^2}\right)^l \frac{dR_{\tau}}{ds}$$

Different sensitivity to power corrections through k, l

The non-perturbative contribution to R_{τ} can be obtained from the invariant-mass distribution of the final hadrons:

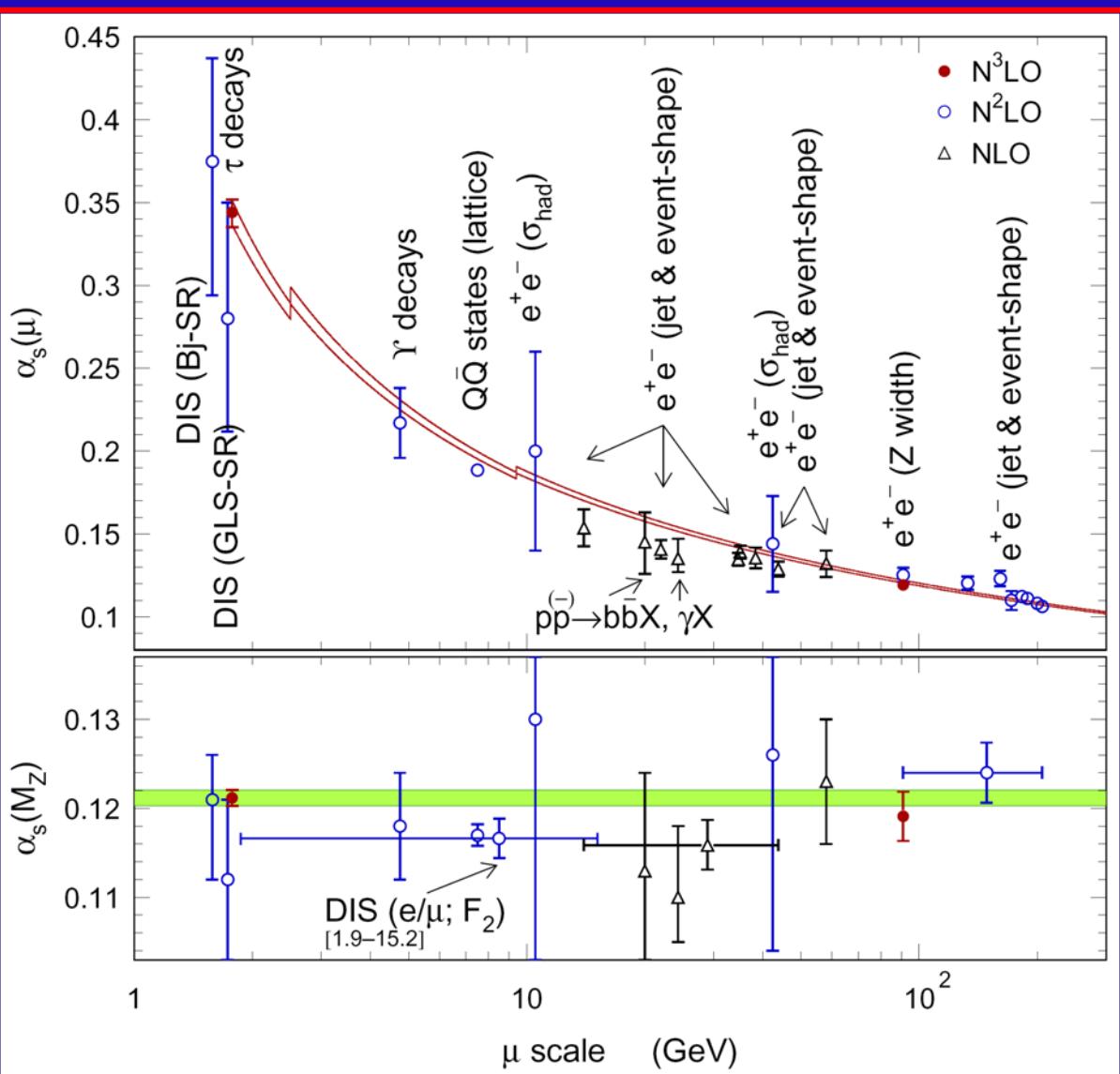
$$\delta_{NP} = -0.0059 \pm 0.0014$$

Davier et al. (ALEPH data)

$$R_{\tau,V} = 1.783 \pm 0.011 \quad ; \quad R_{\tau,A} = 1.695 \pm 0.011 \quad ; \quad R_{\tau,V+A} = 3.478 \pm 0.010$$

Davier et al

ALEPH



$$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2) = 0.344 \pm 0.009$$

$$\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1212 \pm 0.0011$$

$$\alpha_s(M_Z^2)_{Z \text{ width}} = 0.1191 \pm 0.0027$$

The most precise test of
Asymptotic Freedom

$$\alpha_s^\tau(M_Z^2) - \alpha_s^Z(M_Z^2) = 0.0021 \pm 0.0011_\tau \pm 0.0027_Z$$

Recent $\alpha_s(m_\tau)$ Analyses

- Baikov et al '08: $(\text{CIPT} + \text{FOPT}) / 2$

$$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2) = 0.332 \pm 0.005 \pm 0.015 \quad \rightarrow \quad \alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1202 \pm 0.0019$$

- Davier et al '08: CIPT

$$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2) = 0.344 \pm 0.005 \pm 0.007 \quad \rightarrow \quad \alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1212 \pm 0.0011$$

- Beneke-Jamin '08: FOPT + Borel sum of ad-hoc renormalon model

$$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2) = 0.320 \begin{array}{l} +0.012 \\ -0.007 \end{array} \quad \rightarrow \quad \alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1180 \pm 0.0008$$

- Maltman-Yavin '08: CIPT (FOPT). Hadronic spectral moments only

$$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2) = 0.3209 \pm 0.0046 \pm 0.0118 \quad \rightarrow \quad \alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1187 \pm 0.0016$$

Perturbative Uncertainty on $\alpha_s(m_\tau)$

$$-s \frac{d}{ds} \Pi^{(0+1)}(s) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \sum_{n=0} K_n a(-s)^n$$

$$\delta_p = \sum_{n=1} K_n A^{(n)}(\alpha_s) = \sum_{n=0} r_n a_\tau^n$$

CIPT FOPT

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n	1	2	3	4
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Le Diberder- Pich 1992

Perturbative Uncertainty on $\alpha_s(m_\tau)$

$$-s \frac{d}{ds} \Pi^{(0+1)}(s) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \sum_{n=0} K_n a(-s)^n$$

$$\delta_p = \sum_{n=1} K_n A^{(n)}(\alpha_s) = \sum_{n=0} r_n a_\tau^n$$

CIPT FOPT

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FOPT expansion only convergent if $a_\tau < 0.13$ (0.11) [at 1 (3) loops]

Experimentally $a_\tau \approx 0.11$



**FOPT should not be used
(divergent series)**

The difference between FOPT and CIPT grows at higher orders

CIPT gives rise to a well-behaved perturbative series:

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$\beta_{n>1} = 0$	0.13247	0.01570	0.00170	0.1690
$\beta_{n>2} = 0$	0.13523	0.01575	0.00163	0.1714
$\beta_{n>3} = 0$	0.13540	0.01565	0.00160	0.1712
$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3(m_\tau^2))$	0.14394	0.01713	0.00100	0.1784

Uncertainty only related to the unknown K_n ($n \geq 5$) coefficients

Modelling a better behaved FOPT

(Beneke – Jamin)

- Tune large K_n corrections to cancel the g_n ones
- $D = 4$ corrections very suppressed in R_τ

→ **$n = 2$ IR renormalons can do the job** ($K_n \approx -g_n$)

- No sign of renormalon behaviour in known coefficients

→ **$n = -1, 2, 3$ renormalons + linear polynomial**

5 unknown constants fitted to K_n ($2 \leq n \leq 5$). Ad-hoc value of K_5

- Borel summation: large renormalon contributions. Smaller α_s

Nice academic model. But too many different possibilities ...

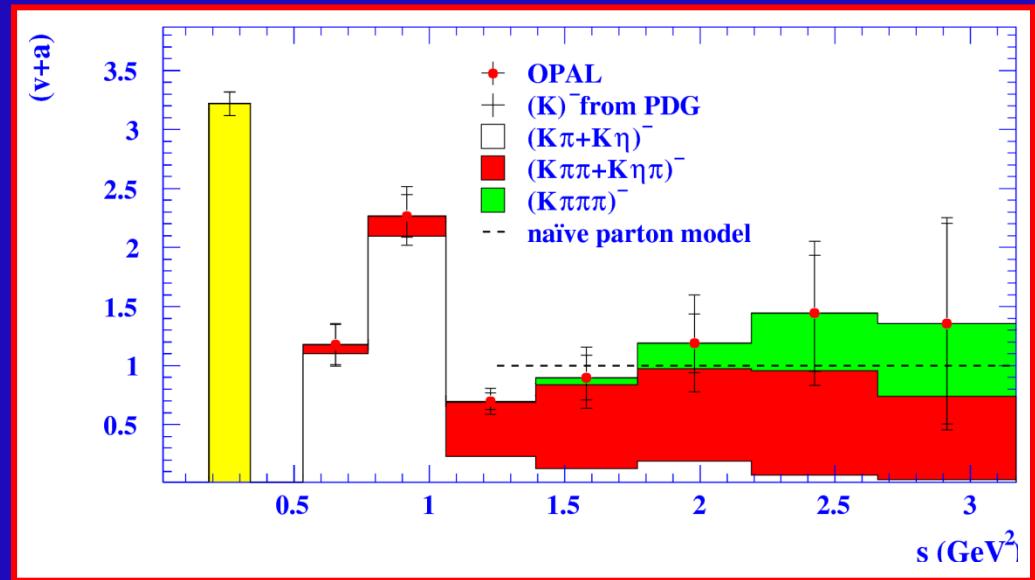
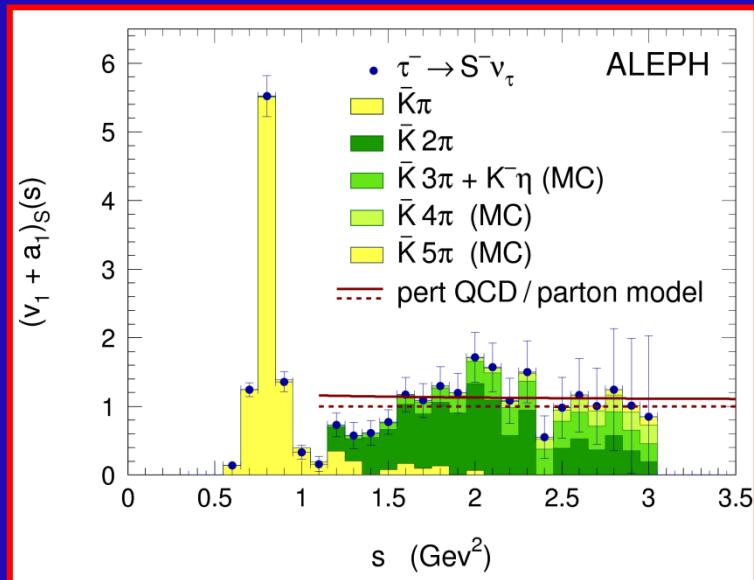
SU(3) Breaking

$$R_\tau^{kl} = N_C S_{\text{EW}} \left\{ \left(|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 \right) \left[1 + \delta^{kl(0)} \right] + \sum_{D \geq 2} \left[|V_{ud}|^2 \delta_{ud}^{kl(D)} + |V_{us}|^2 \delta_{us}^{kl(D)} \right] \right\}$$



$$\delta R_\tau^{kl} \equiv \frac{R_{\tau,V+A}^{kl}}{|V_{ud}|^2} - \frac{R_{\tau,S}^{kl}}{|V_{us}|^2} \approx N_C S_{\text{EW}} \sum_{D \geq 2} \left[\delta_{ud}^{kl(D)} - \delta_{us}^{kl(D)} \right]$$

Strange Spectral Function: SU(3) Breaking



(k,l)	ALEPH	OPAL
$(0,0)$	0.39 ± 0.14	0.26 ± 0.12
$(1,0)$	0.38 ± 0.08	0.28 ± 0.09
$(2,0)$	0.37 ± 0.05	0.30 ± 0.07
$(3,0)$	0.40 ± 0.04	0.33 ± 0.05
$(4,0)$	0.40 ± 0.04	0.34 ± 0.04

$$\delta R_\tau^{kl} \equiv \frac{R_{\tau,V+A}^{kl}}{|V_{ud}|^2} - \frac{R_{\tau,S}^{kl}}{|V_{us}|^2} \approx 24 \frac{m_s^2(m_\tau^2)}{m_\tau^2} \Delta_{kl}(\alpha_s)$$

→ **$m_s(m_\tau)$ determination**

V_{us} and QCD uncertainties

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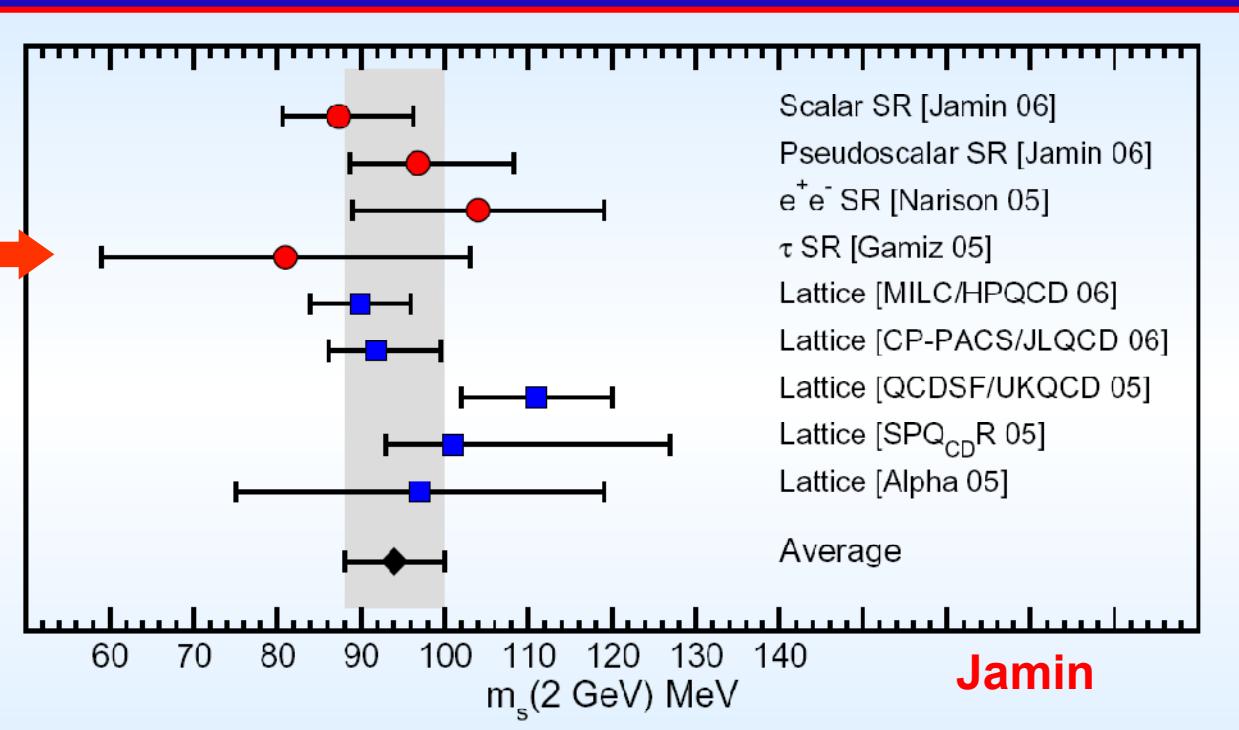
Known to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$

- $\Delta_{kl}(\alpha_s)$ gets **longitudinal ($J=0$)** and **transverse ($J=0+1$)** contributions
- Divergent QCD series for $J=0$
- **Longitudinal contribution determined through data:**
 - Kaon pole ($K \rightarrow \mu\nu$) (dominant $J=0$ contribution)
 - Pion pole ($\pi \rightarrow \mu\nu$)
 - $(K\pi)_{J=0}$ (S-wave $K\pi$ scattering)
 - ...
- Smaller uncertainties

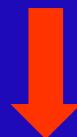
	$R_{us,A}^{00,L}$	$R_{us,V}^{00,L}$	$R_{ud,A}^{00,L}$
Theory:	-0.144 ± 0.024	-0.028 ± 0.021	$-(7.79 \pm 0.14) \cdot 10^{-3}$
Phenom:	-0.135 ± 0.003	-0.028 ± 0.004	$-(7.77 \pm 0.08) \cdot 10^{-3}$

$$\delta R_{\tau,\text{th}}^{00} \equiv \underbrace{0.1544 (37)}_{J=0} + \underbrace{0.062 (15)}_{m_s(m_\tau) = 0.100 (10)} = 0.216 (16)$$

OPAL τ data



Large uncertainty from V_{us}



Strong sensitivity to V_{us}

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KI3: $|V_{us}| = 0.2233 \pm 0.0024$ $[f_+(0) = 0.97 \pm 0.01]$

The τ could give the most precise V_{us} determination

First Measurements from Babar and Belle

Mode	$\mathcal{B}(10^{-3})$ [15]	Updated $\mathcal{B}(10^{-3})$ with results from [20–22]
K^-	6.81 ± 0.23	[Replace with 7.15 ± 0.03]
$K^-\pi^0$	4.54 ± 0.30	Average with $4.16 \pm 0.18 \Rightarrow 4.26 \pm 0.16$ ($S = 1.0$)
$\bar{K}^0\pi^-$	8.78 ± 0.38	Average with $8.08 \pm 0.26 \Rightarrow 8.31 \pm 0.28$ ($S = 1.3$)
$K^-\pi^0\pi^0$	0.58 ± 0.24	
$\bar{K}^0\pi^-\pi^0$	3.60 ± 0.40	
$K^-\pi^+\pi^-$	3.30 ± 0.28	Average with $2.73 \pm 0.09 \Rightarrow 2.80 \pm 0.16$ ($S = 1.9$)
$K^-\eta$	0.27 ± 0.06	
$(\bar{K}3\pi)^-$ (estimated)	0.74 ± 0.30	
$K_1(1270)^- \rightarrow K^-\omega$	0.67 ± 0.21	
$(\bar{K}4\pi)^-$ (estimated) and $K^{*-}\eta$	0.40 ± 0.12	
Sum	29.69 ± 0.86	Updated Estimate: 28.44 ± 0.74 [28.78 ± 0.71]

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KAON'07

Smaller $\tau \rightarrow K$ branching ratios \rightarrow smaller $R_{\tau,S}$ \rightarrow smaller V_{us}

$$R_{\tau,S}^{00} \Big|_{\text{OLD}} = 0.1686 \text{ (47)} \rightarrow R_{\tau,S}^{00} \Big|_{\text{NEW}} = 0.1617 \text{ (40)}$$

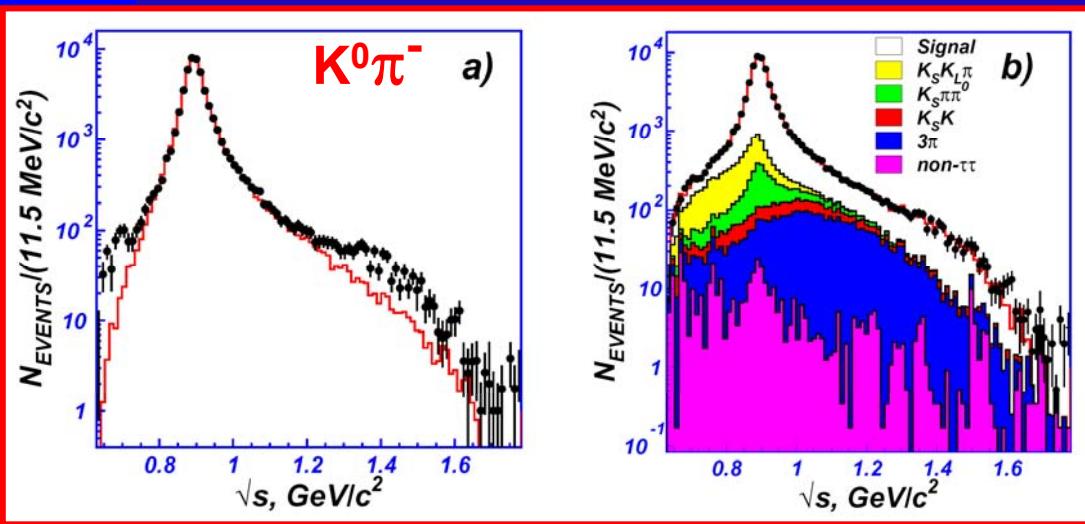
$$|V_{us}|_{\text{OLD}} = 0.2212 \pm 0.0031_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0005_{\text{th}} \rightarrow |V_{us}|_{\text{NEW}} = 0.2165 \pm 0.0026_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0005_{\text{th}}$$

Much more data coming. Precise measurement expected soon

Huge number of $\tau^+\tau^-$ events at the B Factories

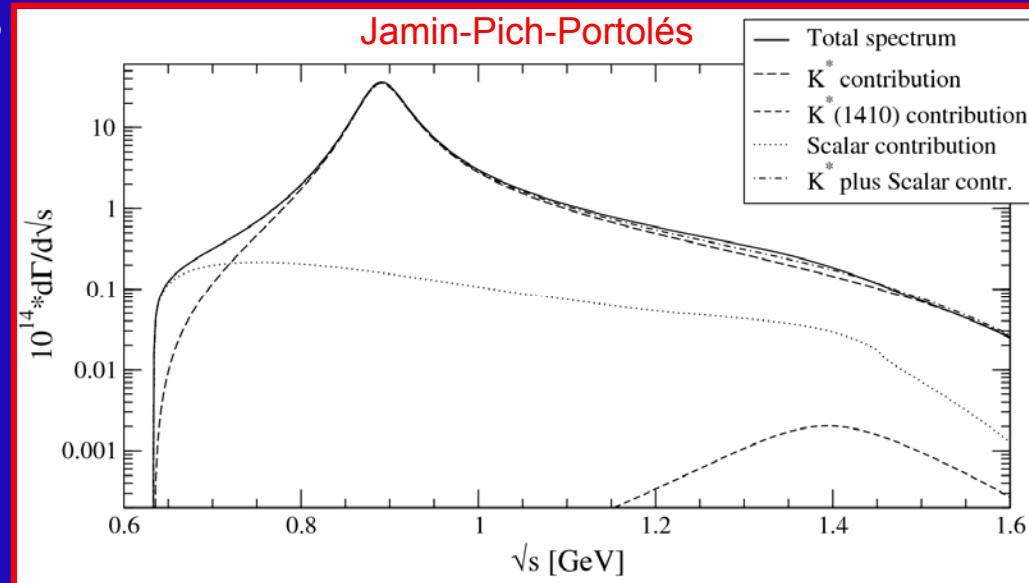
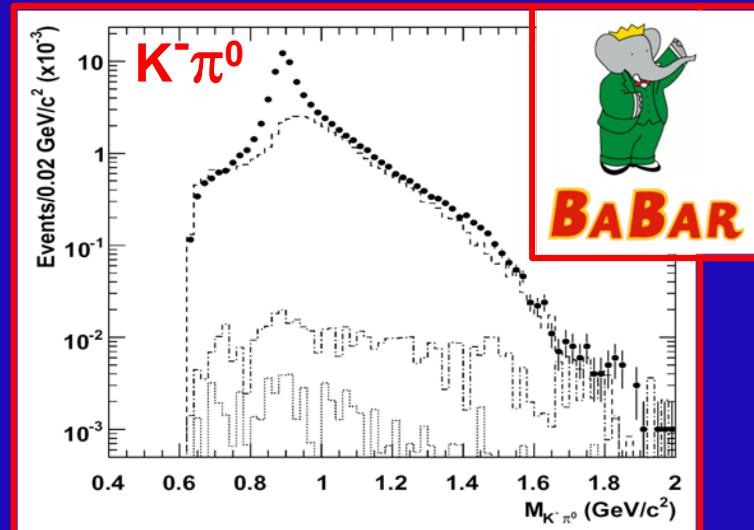


$$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow K_S \pi^- \nu_\tau) = (0.404 \pm 0.002_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.013_{\text{syst}}) \%$$



Ongoing
data
analysis

$$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow K^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau) = (0.416 \pm 0.003_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.018_{\text{syst}}) \%$$

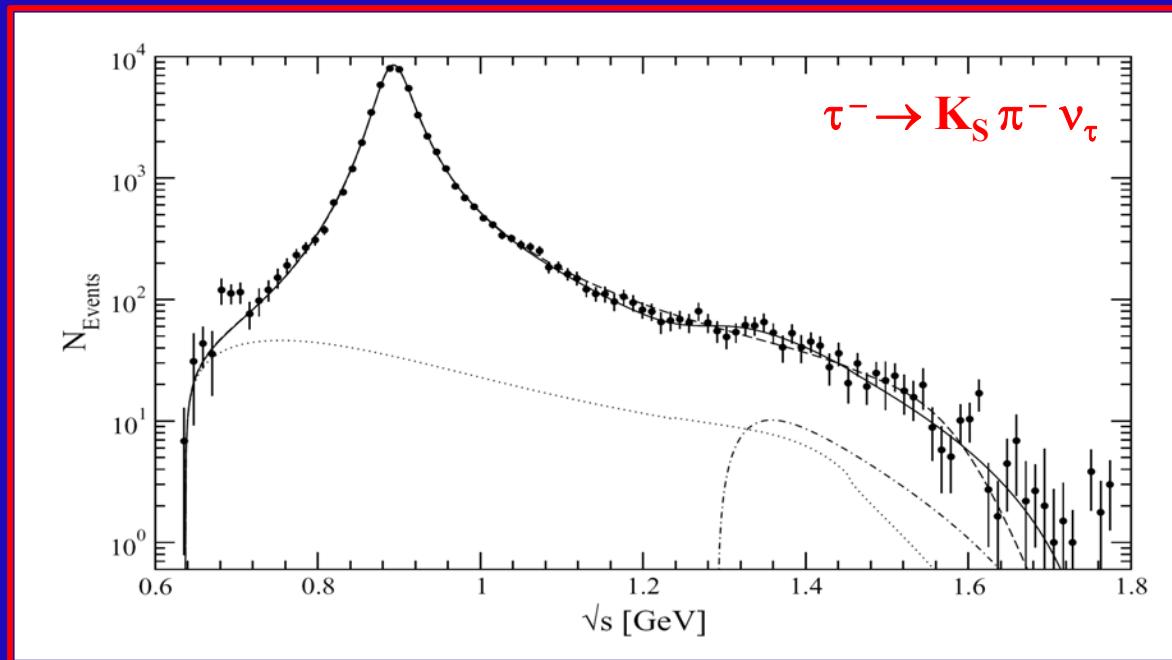


R_{χT} Description of BELLE data

Shape fit:

$$M_{K^*} = 895.3 \pm 0.2 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{K^*} = 47.5 \pm 0.4 \text{ MeV}$$



R_{χT} normalization fixed



$$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow K_S \pi^- \nu_\tau)_{\text{th}} = (0.427 \pm 0.024) \%$$

$$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow K_S \pi^- \nu_\tau)_{\text{Belle}} = (0.404 \pm 0.002_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.013_{\text{syst}}) \%$$

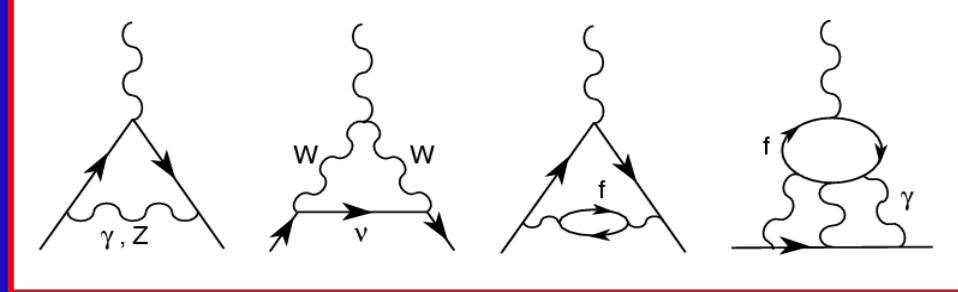
→ Prediction for K_{I3} Form Factor Slopes:

$$\lambda'_+ = (25.20 \pm 0.33) 10^{-3} \quad ; \quad \lambda''_+ = (12.85 \pm 0.31) 10^{-4} \quad ; \quad \lambda'''_+ = (9.56 \pm 0.28) 10^{-5}$$

EXP: (Flavianet Kaon WG)

$$\lambda'_+ = (25.2 \pm 0.9) 10^{-3} \quad ; \quad \lambda''_+ = (16 \pm 4) 10^{-4}$$

Electron Anomalous Magnetic Moment



$$\mu_l \equiv g_l \frac{e}{2m_l} \quad a_l \equiv \frac{1}{2} (g_l - 2)$$

$$a_e(\text{QED}) = A_1 + A_2(m_e/m_\mu) + A_2(m_e/m_\tau) + A_3(m_e/m_\mu, m_e/m_\tau)$$

$$A_i = A_i^{(2)} \frac{\alpha}{\pi} + A_i^{(4)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^2 + A_i^{(6)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^3 + A_i^{(8)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^4 + \dots$$

$$A_1^{(6)} = 1.181\,241\,456\,587 \dots$$

$$A_2^{(6)}(m_e/m_\mu) = -7.373\,941\,64\ (29) \times 10^{-6}$$

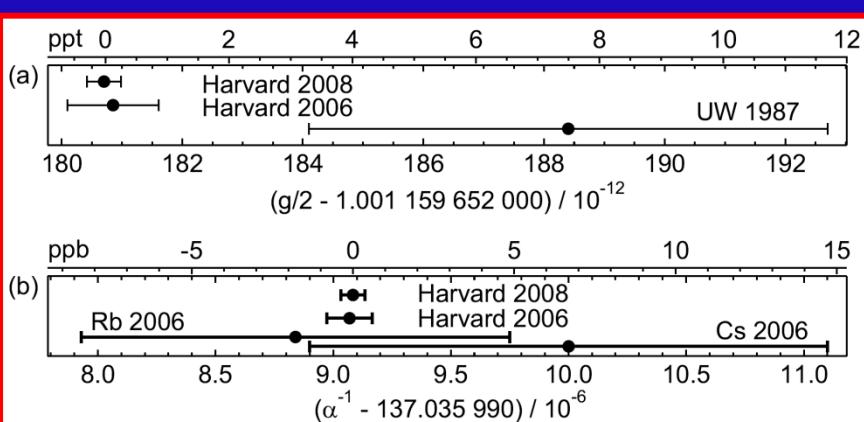
(Laporta–Remiddi)

$$A_1^{(8)} = -1.9144\ (35) \quad (\text{Kinoshita–Nio})$$

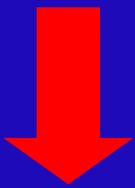
$$a_e(\text{QCD}) = 1.671\ (19) \times 10^{-12} \quad ; \quad a_e(\text{Weak}) = 0.030\ (01) \times 10^{-12}$$

Electron Anomalous Magnetic Moment

$$a_e = 0.001\,159\,652\,180\,73\,(28)$$

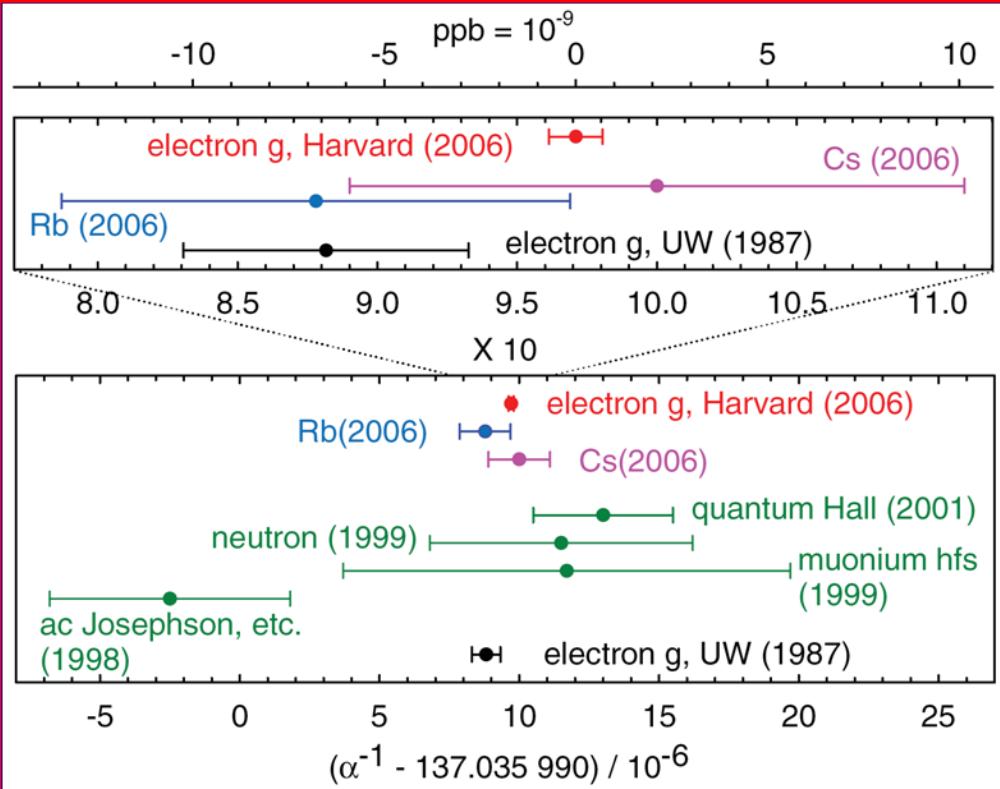


Hanneke-Fogwell-Gabrielse '08



$$\alpha^{-1} = 137.035\,999\,084\,(51)$$

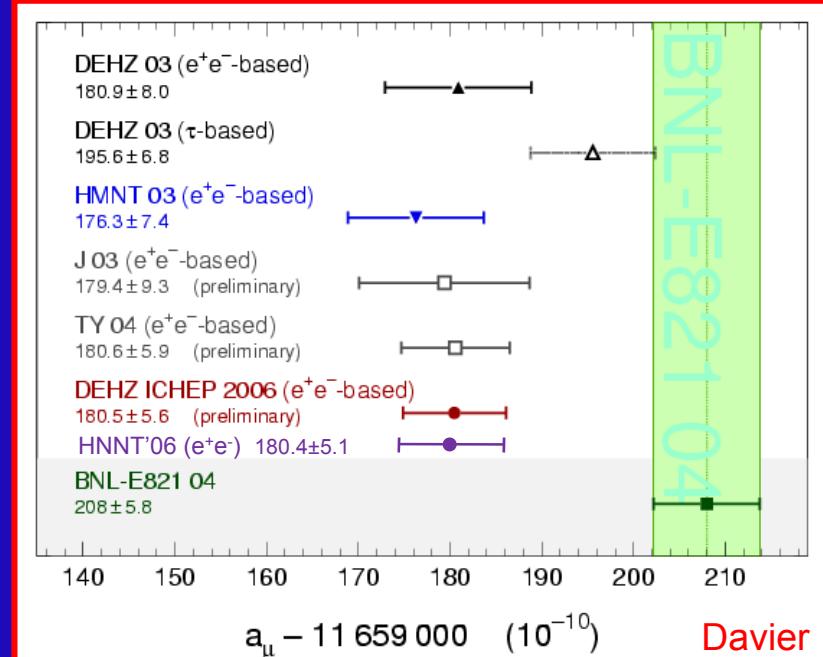
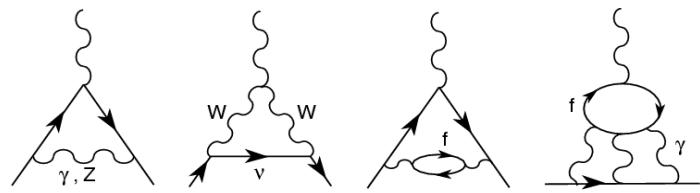
0.37 ppb $\overbrace{(33)_{\text{exp}}(39)_{\text{th}}}$



μ Anomalous Magnetic Moment

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} = (11\,659\,208.0 \pm 6.0) \times 10^{-10}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} 10^{10} \times a_{\mu}^{\text{th}} = & 11\,658\,471.81 \pm 0.02 \\ & + 15.4 \pm 0.2 \\ & + 698.2 \pm 9.7 \\ & - 9.8 \pm 0.1 \\ & + 12.0 \pm 3.5 \end{aligned}$$

QED
EW
hvp
hvp NLO
light-by-light

Kinoshita-Nio, Passera
Czarnecki-Marciano-Vainshtein
 $(711.0 \pm 5.8)_{\tau}$, $(690.9 \pm 4.4)_{e^+e^-}$ Davier et al
Krause, Hagiwara et al
Melnikov-Vainshtein, Knech et al,
Prades et al

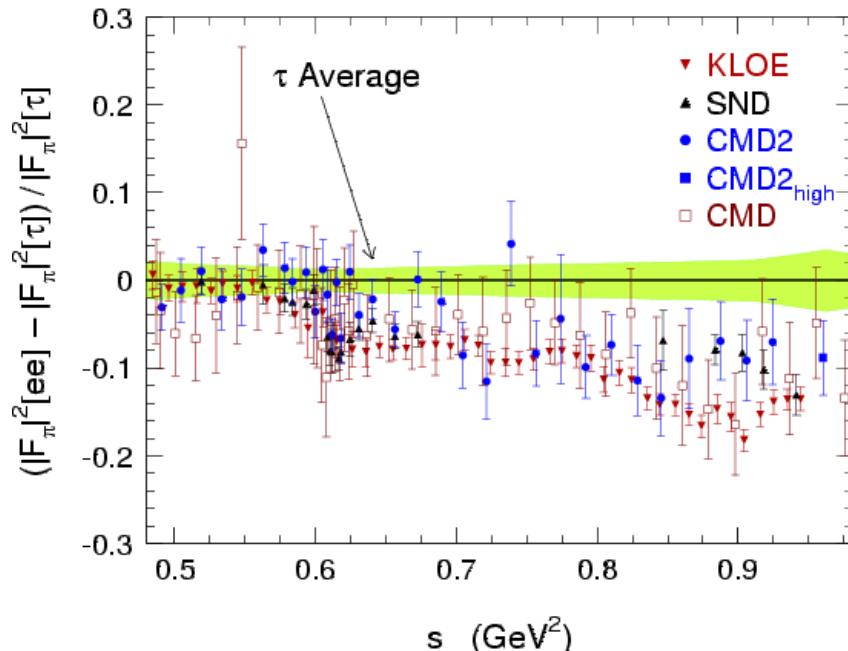
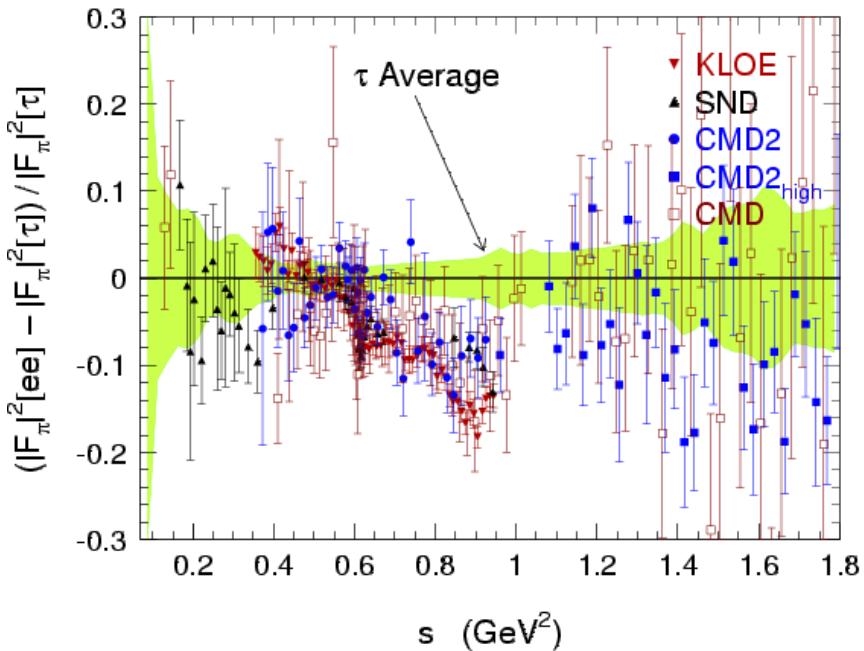
$$= 11\,659\,187.6 \pm 10.3 \quad (11\,659\,200.4 \pm 6.8)_{\tau}, \quad (11\,659\,180.3 \pm 5.6)_{e^+e^-}$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{th}} = 1.3 \sigma$$

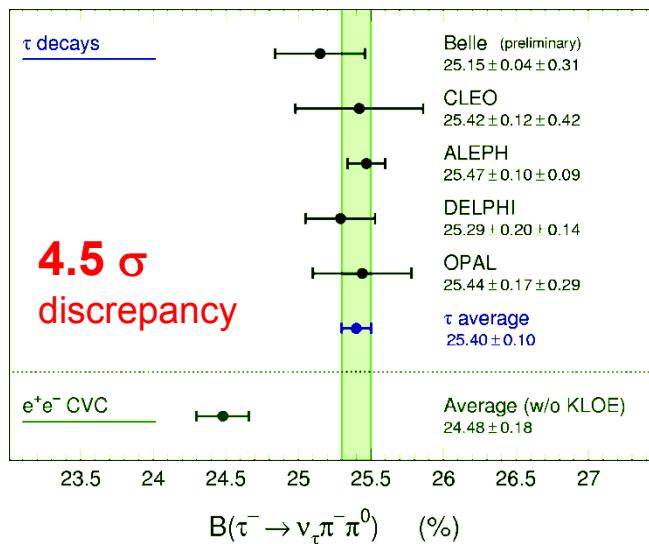
0.8 σ

3.4 σ

Today's $e^+e^- - \tau$ data comparison

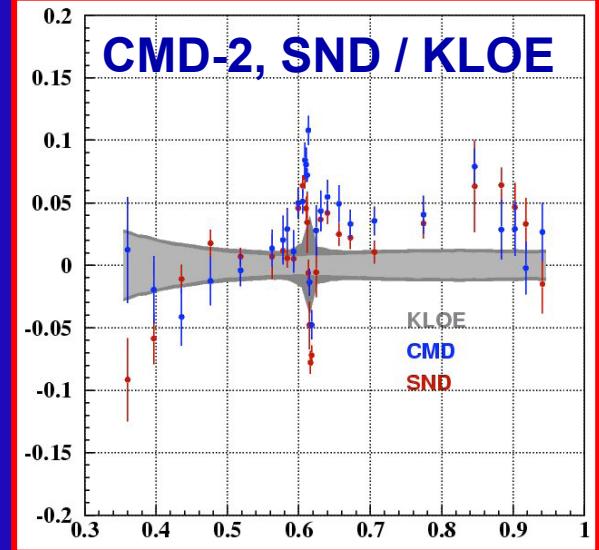
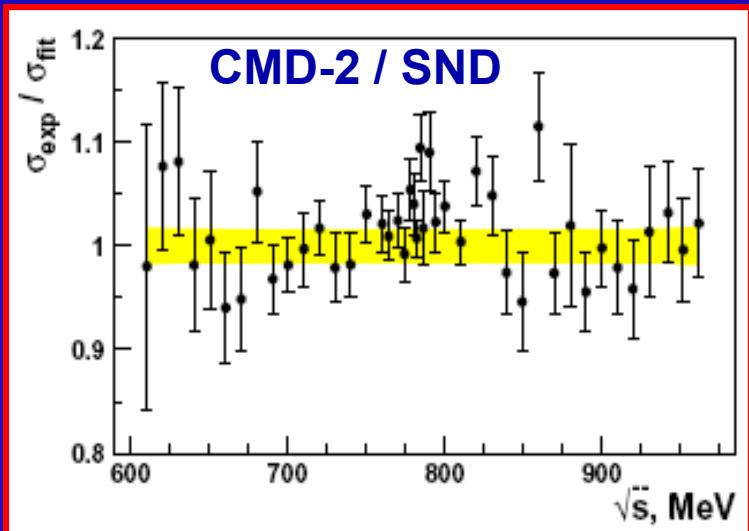


CMD2: 0.6% syst. error

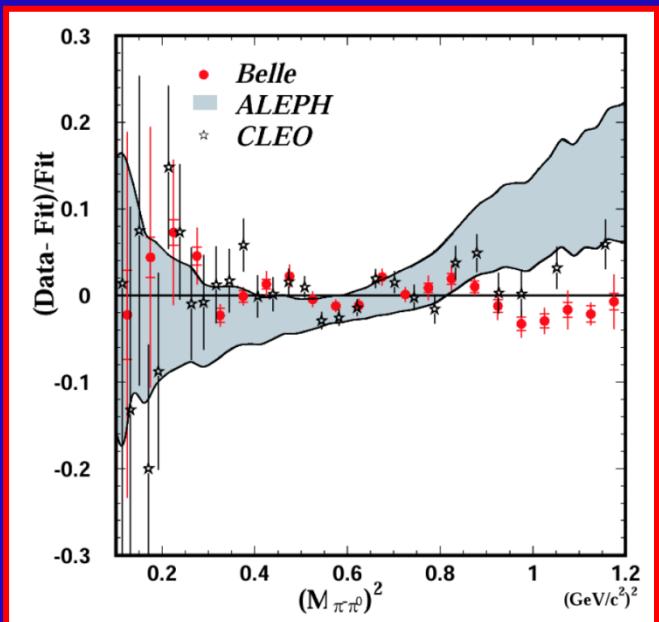
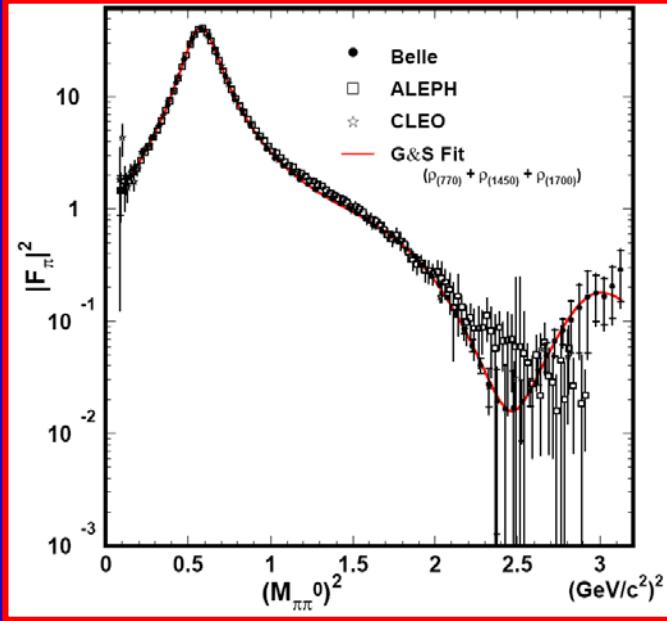


Belle '08 (final):
 $25.12 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.38$

e^+e^-
data



τ data



τ versus e^+e^- : Isospin violation $\Delta a_\mu = (-9.3 \pm 2.4) 10^{-10}$ $[(-1.8 \pm 0.5)\%]$

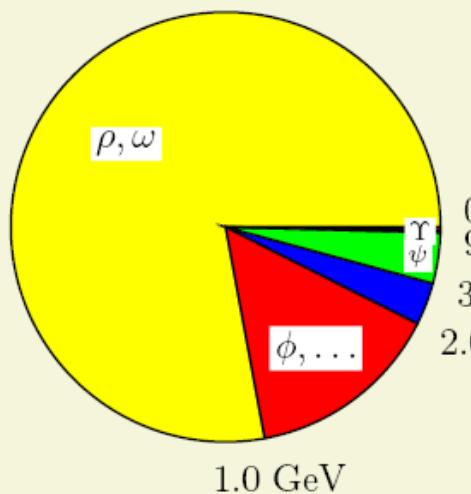
OPE constraints satisfied better by τ data

Maltman

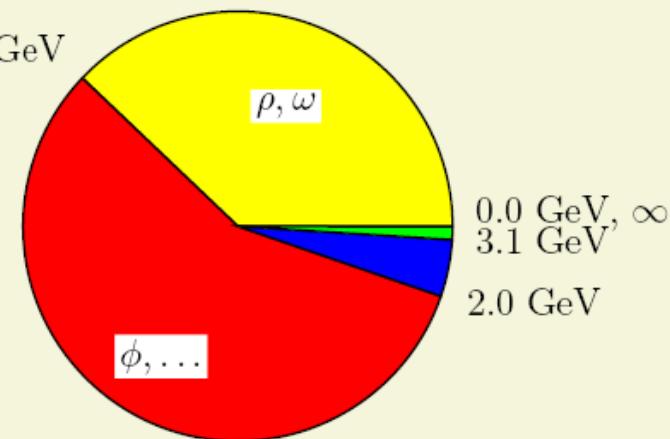
- Experimental error implies theoretical uncertainty!
- Low energy contributions enhanced: $\sim 67\%$ of error on a_μ^{had} comes from region $4m_\pi^2 < m_{\pi\pi}^2 < M_\Phi^2$

$$a_\mu^{\text{had}(1)} = (692.3 \pm 6.0) 10^{-10}$$

e^+e^- -data based



contributions

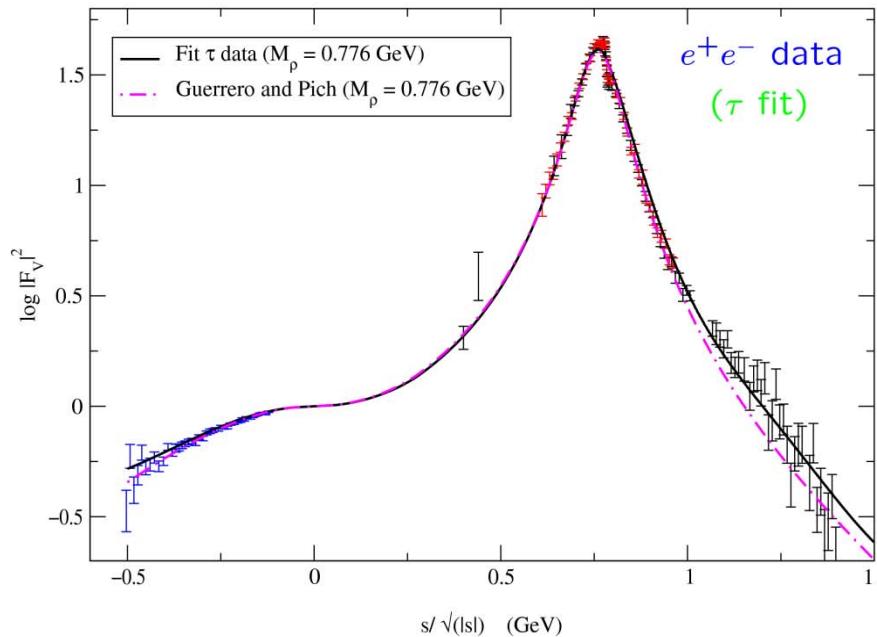
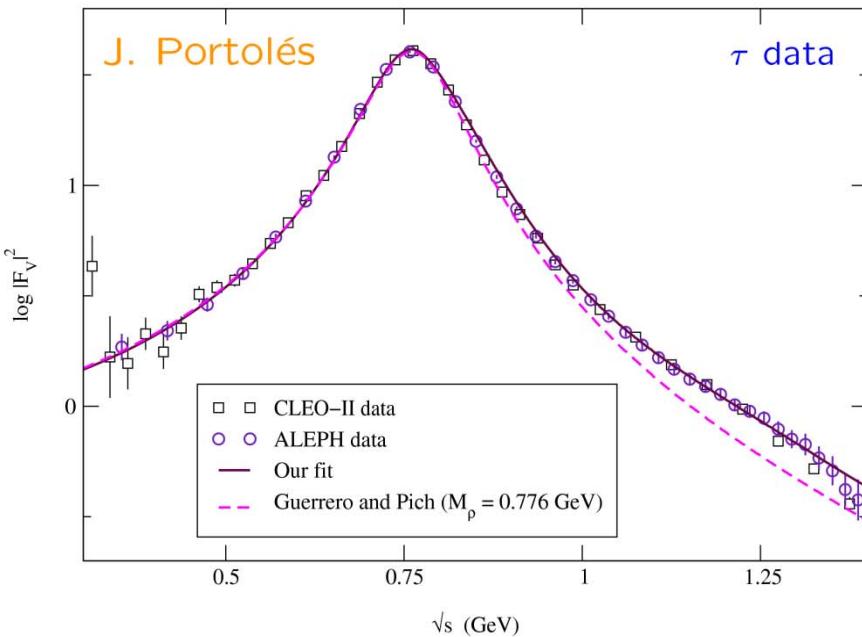


error²

present distribution of contributions and errors

PION FORM FACTOR

Portolés



Th: Analyticity, Unitarity, Chiral Symmetry (χ PT, $R\chi$ T), QCD, $N_C \rightarrow \infty$

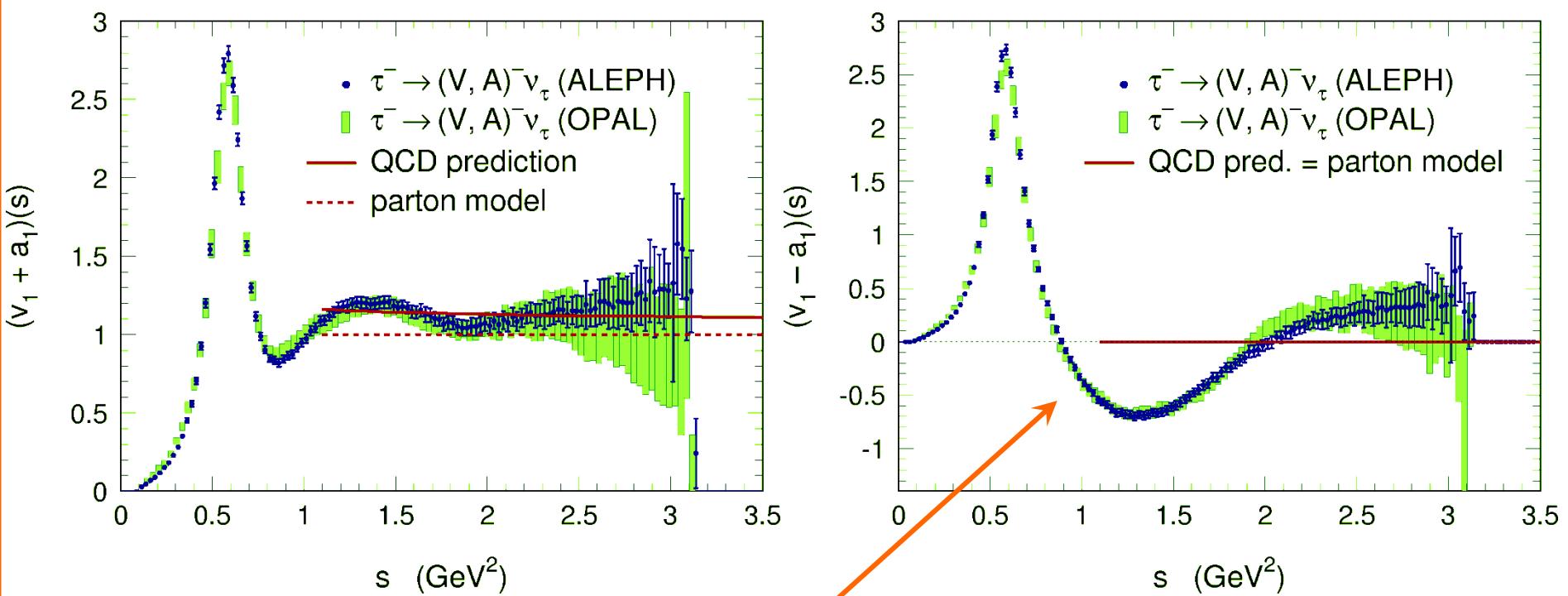
$$F_\pi(s) = \frac{M_\rho^2}{M_\rho^2 - s - iM_\rho\Gamma_\rho(s)} \exp\left\{-\frac{s}{96\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \operatorname{Re}\left[A\left(\frac{M_\pi^2}{s}, \frac{M_\pi^2}{M_\rho^2}\right)\right]\right\}$$

Guerrero-Pich '97

$$A(x, y) \equiv \log y + 8x - \frac{5}{3} + \sigma_x^3 \log\left(\frac{\sigma_x + 1}{\sigma_x - 1}\right) \quad ; \quad \sigma_x \equiv \sqrt{1 - 4x} \quad ; \quad \Gamma_\rho(s) = \theta(s - 4M_\pi^2) \sigma_\pi^3 \frac{M_\rho s}{96\pi f_\pi^2}$$

Inclusive $V+A$ and $V-A$ Spectral Functions

- Results from ALEPH and OPAL — and their comparison

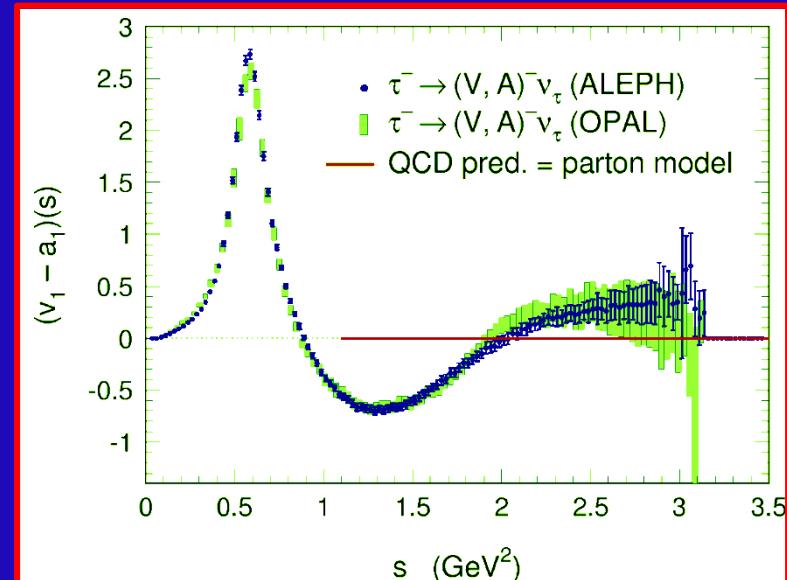


Of purely nonperturbative origin

ALEPH, Phys. Rep. 421 (2005)
OPAL, EPJ, C7, 571 (1999)

Non-Perturbative Physics

Low-energy QCD engineering



- ChPT : Chiral sum rules $f_\pi, m_{\pi^\pm}^2 - m_{\pi^0}^2, F_A / \langle r_\pi^2 \rangle \dots$
- $L_{10}(M_\rho) = -(4.06 \pm 0.40) \cdot 10^{-3}$, $C_{87}^r(M_\rho) = (4.89 \pm 0.19) \cdot 10^{-3}$ GeV $^{-2}$
(M. González-Alonso '08)
- RChT , $1/N_C, \dots$
- Electromagnetic Penguins (Q_{7,8}): ε'/ε

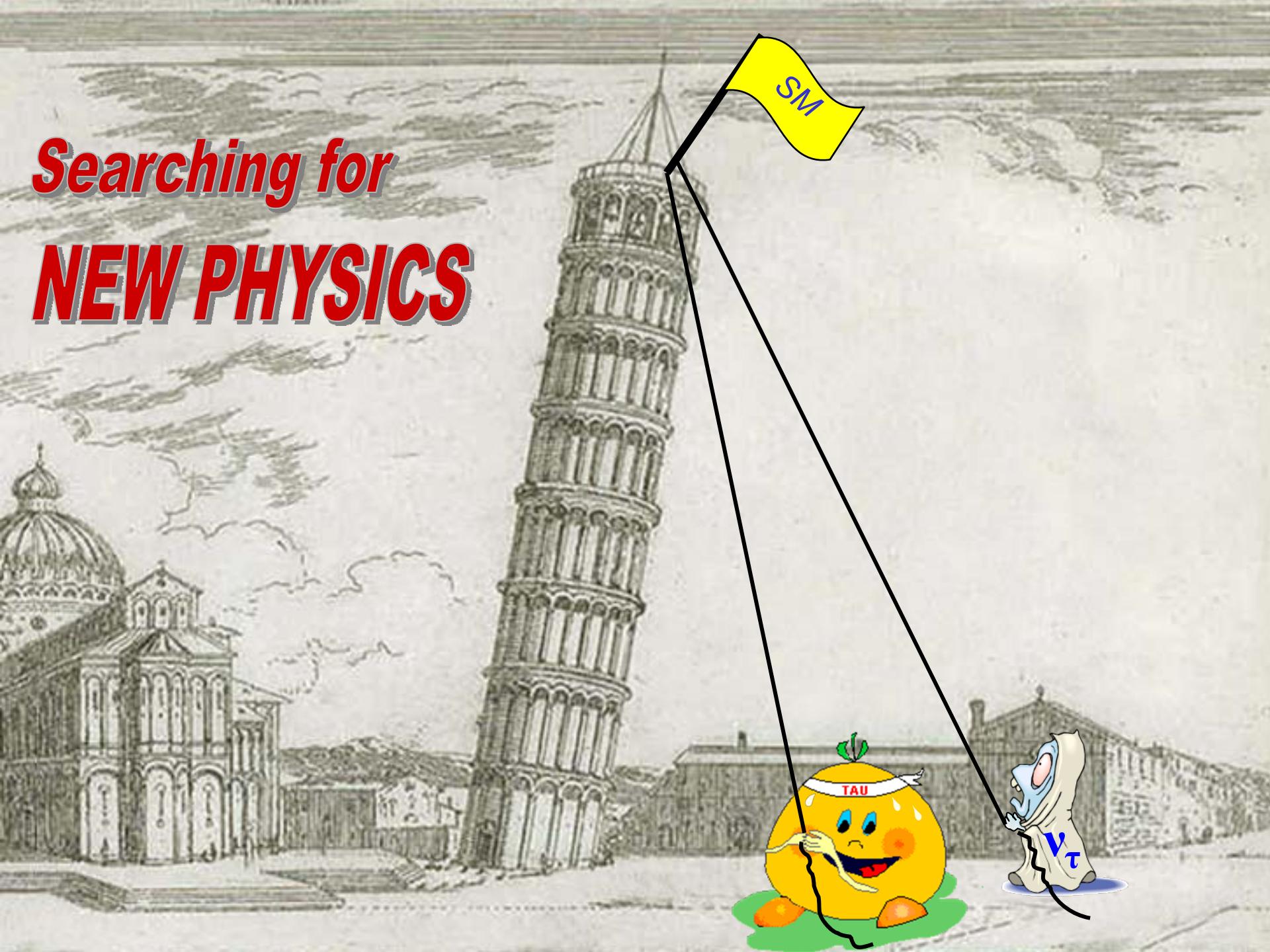
SUMMARY

The τ is a clean laboratory to test the Standard Model

- Precision physics
- QCD tests
- Open questions: $(g-2)_\mu$
- Hints of new physics: ν 's
- Future facilities: τ cF, SuperB
- Tool for NP searches: LHC

There is an exciting future ahead

Searching for **NEW PHYSICS**



BACKUP SLIDES

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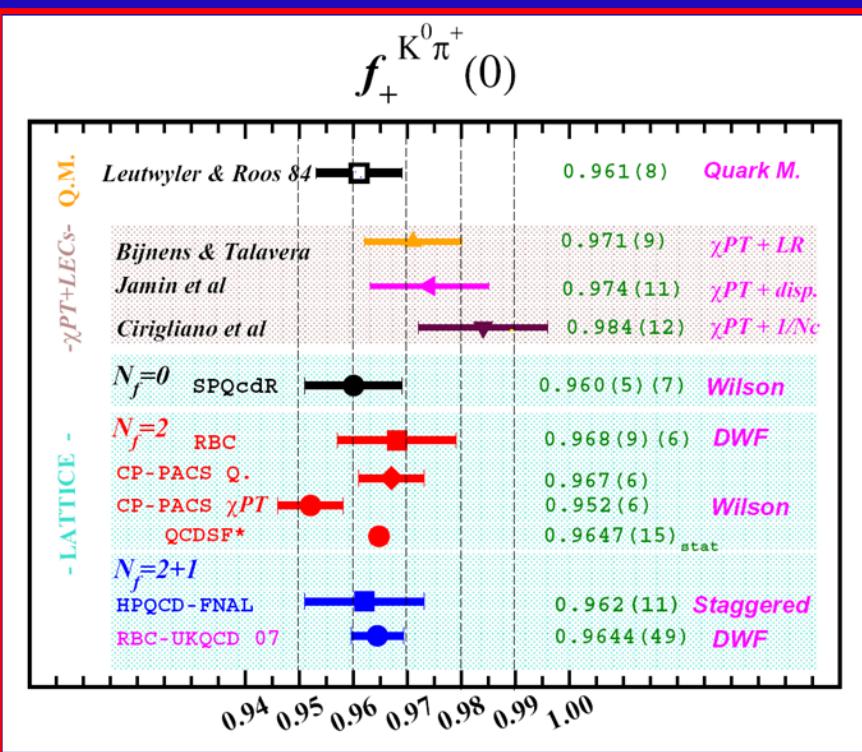
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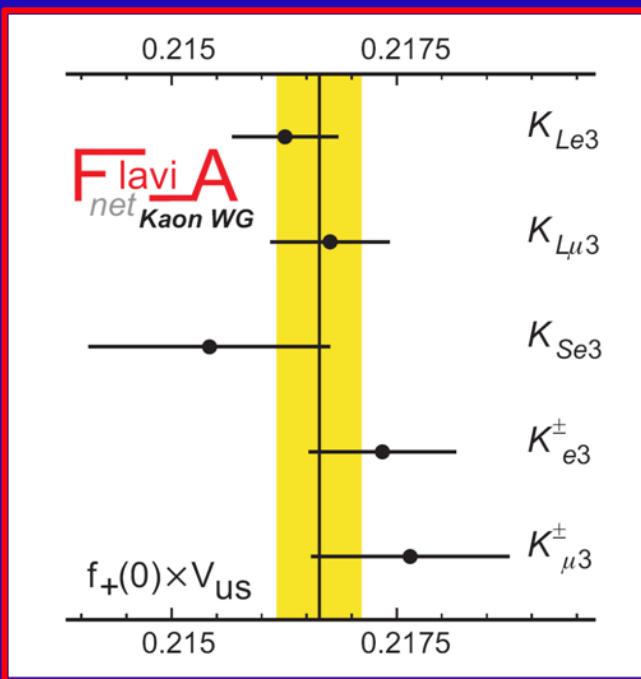
Interesting challenge for the B Factories & BESIII

K_{I3} Decays

Large O(p⁶) ChPT correction (Bijnens-Talavera)

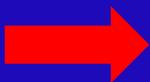


$O(p^4)$
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 $O(p^6)$



$$|f_+(0) V_{us}| = 0.2166 \pm 0.0005$$

$$f_+(0) = 0.97 \pm 0.01$$



$$|V_{us}| = 0.2233 \pm 0.0024$$

A simultaneous m_s & V_{us} fit could be possible

However:

- Perturbative QCD corrections need to be better understood (CIPT)

$$\Delta_{00}(\alpha_s)^{L+T} = 0.753 + 0.214 + 0.065 - 0.063 + \dots$$

$$\Delta_{10}(\alpha_s)^{L+T} = 0.912 + 0.334 + 0.192 + 0.069 + \dots$$

$$\Delta_{20}(\alpha_s)^{L+T} = 1.055 + 0.451 + 0.330 + 0.232 + \dots$$

$$\Delta_{30}(\alpha_s)^{L+T} = 1.190 + 0.571 + 0.484 + 0.432 + \dots$$

$$\Delta_{40}(\alpha_s)^{L+T} = 1.324 + 0.697 + 0.657 + 0.676 + \dots$$

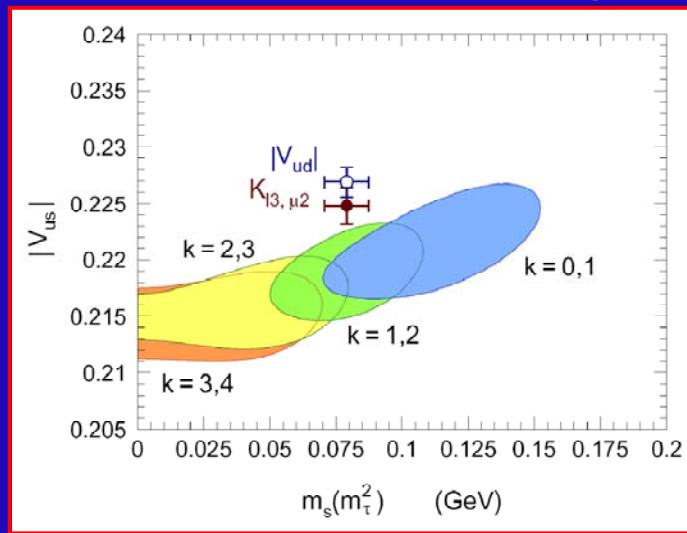
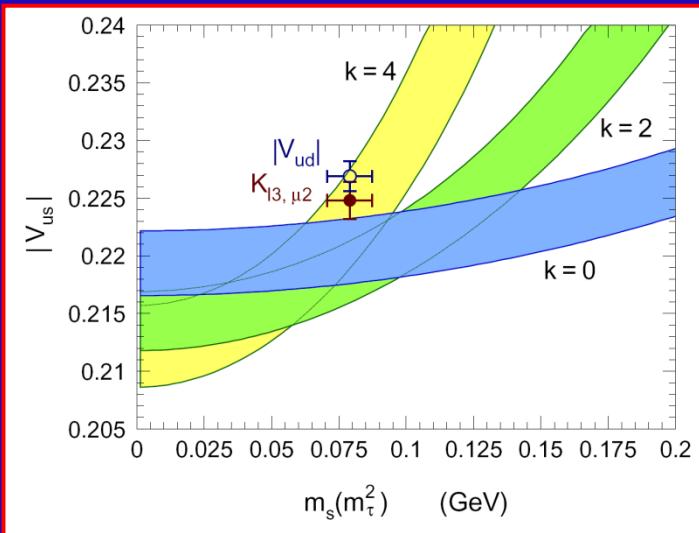
Sizeable theoretical uncertainties

Resummations, pinched weights (Maltman & Wolfe), ...

- Not enough sensitivity with present data

Large correlations. Low statistics. Missing decay modes ...

ALEPH



Taking $V_{us} = 0.2225(21)$:

Chen et al '01 , J=0 included

(k, l)	m_s (MeV)	exp. $ V_{us} $	σ_{m_s} (MeV)	α_s	$\langle m_s \bar{s}s \rangle$	trunc.	R-scale	th.
(0,0)	132	26	13	2	4	9	9	14
(1,0)	120	13	9	3	4	10	11	16
(2,0)	117	10	7	3	6	14	14	21
(3,0)	117	9	8	2	8	19	16	27
(4,0)	103	7	5	3	9	20	19	29

$$m_s(m_\tau) = (120^{+21}_{-26}) \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_s(2 \text{ GeV}) = (116^{+20}_{-25}) \text{ MeV}$$

Gámiz et al '03 , J=0 excluded

Moment	$m_s(m_\tau)$ [MeV]
(0,0)	192 ± 72
(1,0)	164 ± 31
(2,0)	137 ± 20
(3,0)	115 ± 17
(4,0)	100 ± 17

$$m_s(m_\tau) = (122 \pm 17) \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_s(2 \text{ GeV}) = (117 \pm 17) \text{ MeV}$$

- Strong k dependence with ALEPH data (m_s decreases with increasing k)

Spectral function underestimated at large invariant masses



Missing events / modes ($K\pi\pi$, $K\pi\pi\pi$, ...)

- Much better behaviour with OPAL data:

Gámiz et al '05 , J=0 excluded

(0,0)



$$V_{us} = 0.2208 \text{ (34)}$$



Moment	$m_s(m_\tau)$ [MeV]
(2,0)	89 ± 39
(3,0)	84 ± 27
(4,0)	78 ± 22

$$m_s(m_\tau) = (84 \pm 23) \text{ MeV} \quad , \quad m_s(2 \text{ GeV}) = (81 \pm 22) \text{ MeV}$$

- $\tau \rightarrow K\nu$ from $K \rightarrow \mu\nu$ + OPAL:

$$V_{us} = 0.2220 \text{ (33)}$$