

# Theory for $R(D)$ & $R(D^*)$

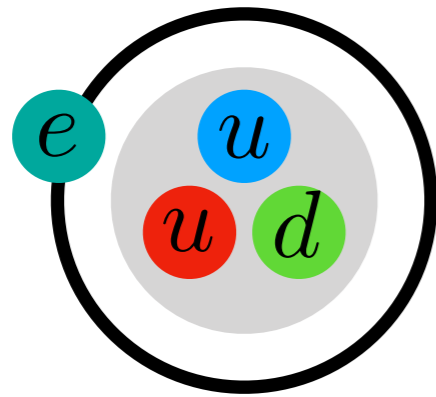
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**Beyond the Flavour Anomalies**  
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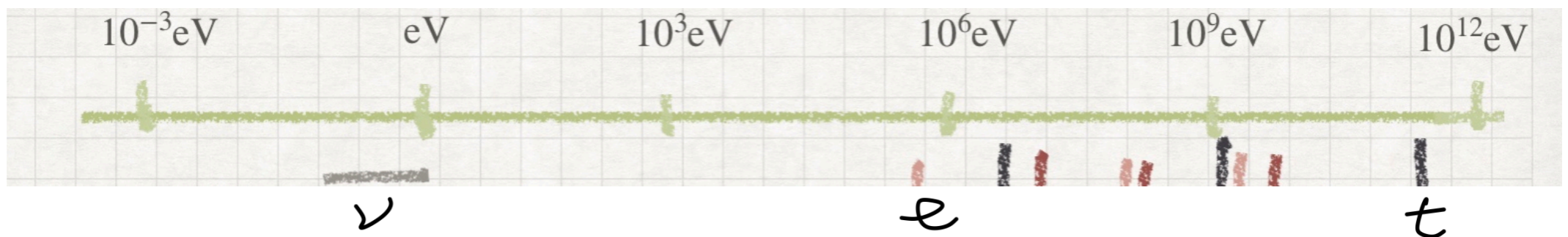
# The ambitious questions in flavor

*...or who ordered ALL of that?*



=US (you and I)

- ★ What are the other two generations for?      ★ CP violation?



- ★ Why is the Flavour structure all over the place?

**Maybe....**



*Symmetry* e.g. Froggatt Nielsen



*Space-time* e.g. Randall Sundrum

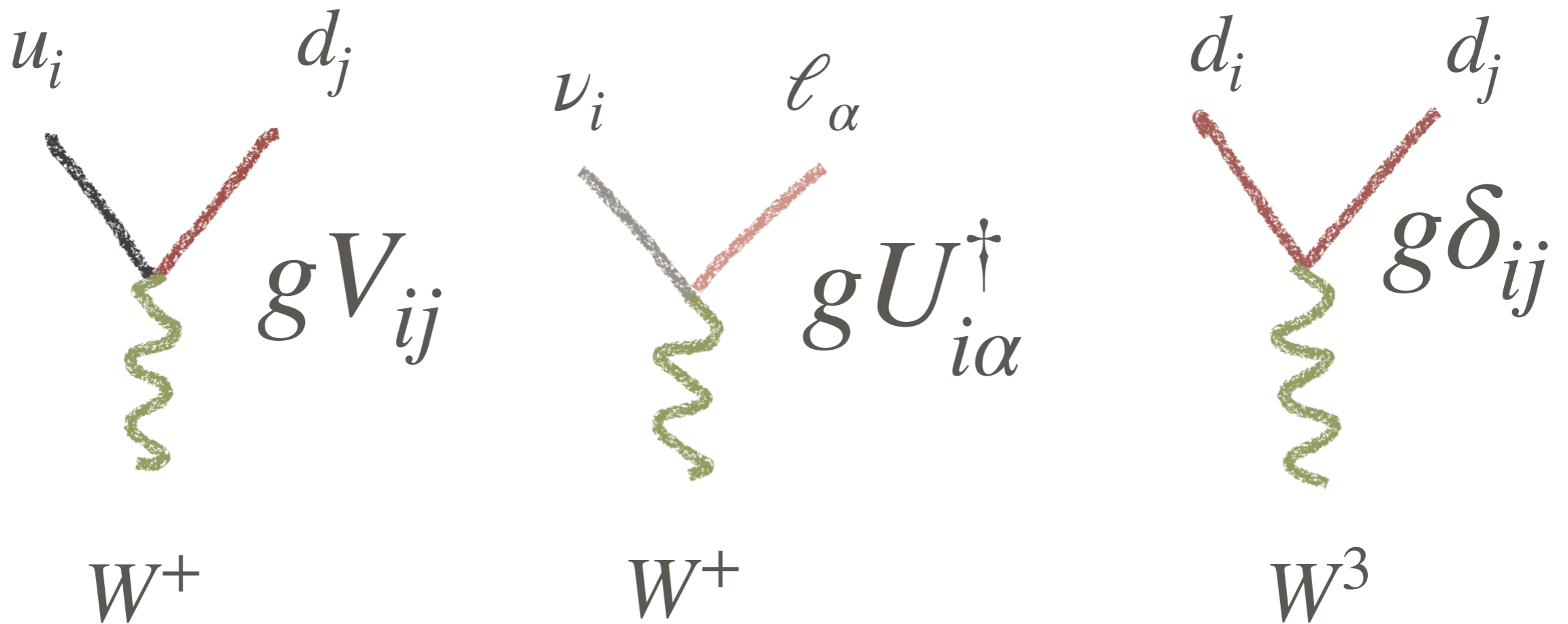


*...None of the above*

# What we know is Flavour in SM

**Flavour transitions originate from charged currents**

$SU(2)_L$

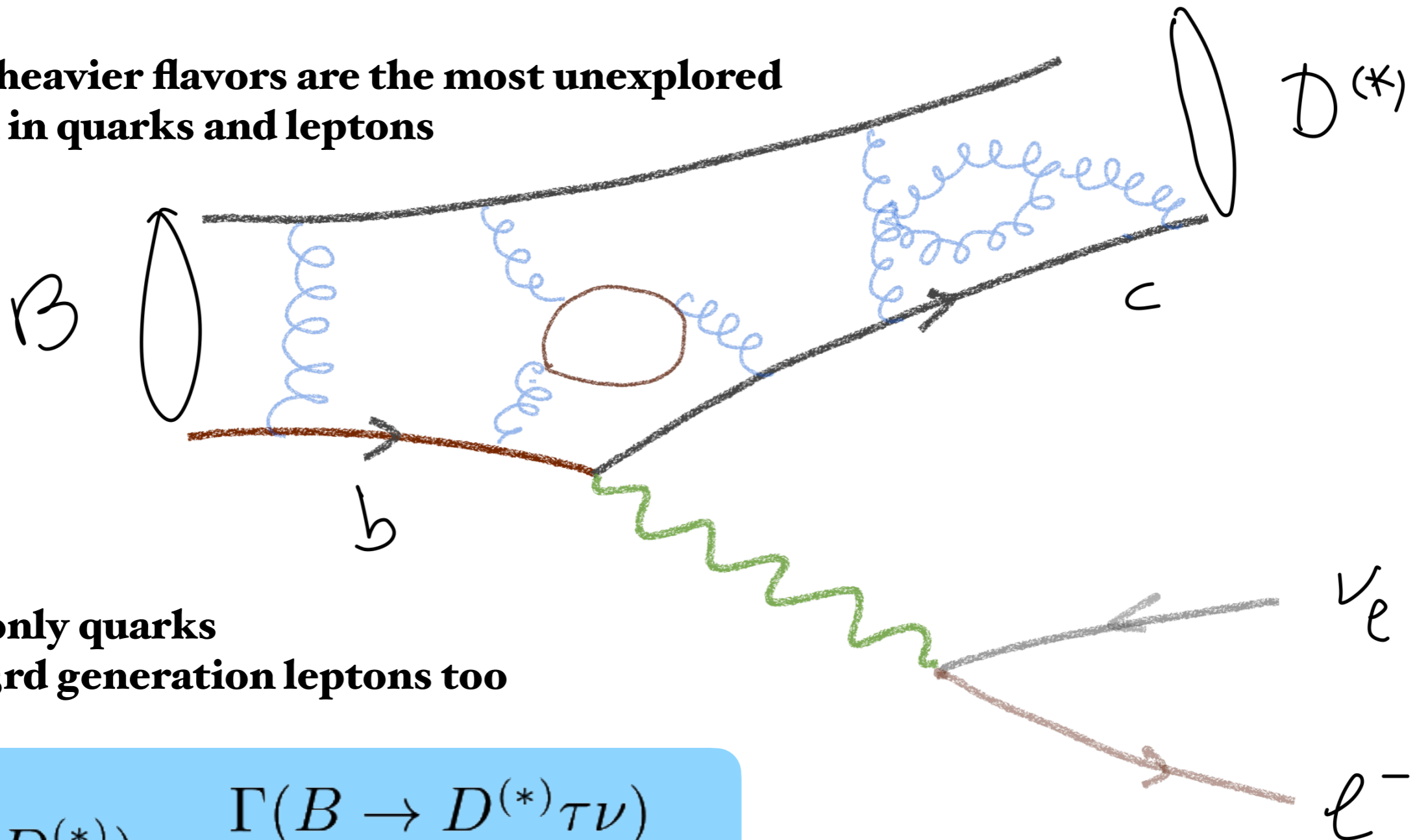


All flavor is in W couplings and in propagation/  
phase space

$$(\gamma^\mu p_\mu - m)^{-1}$$

# Testing flavor at tree level

**The heavier flavors are the most unexplored both in quarks and leptons**



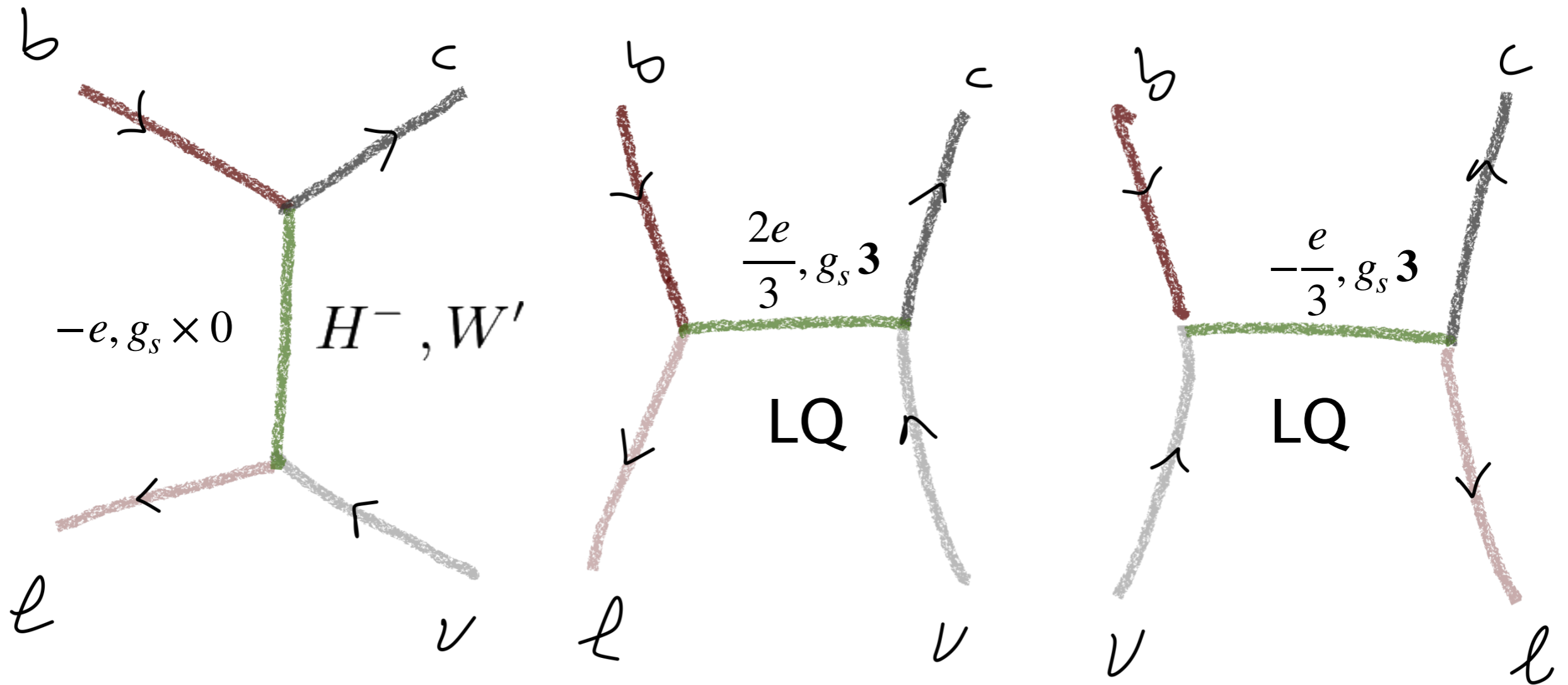
**not only quarks  
but 3rd generation leptons too**

$$R(D^{(*)}) \equiv \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu)}$$

- ★ (I) 3rd generation
- (II) quark flavour violation
- (III) lepton universality

# Testing charged flavor at tree level

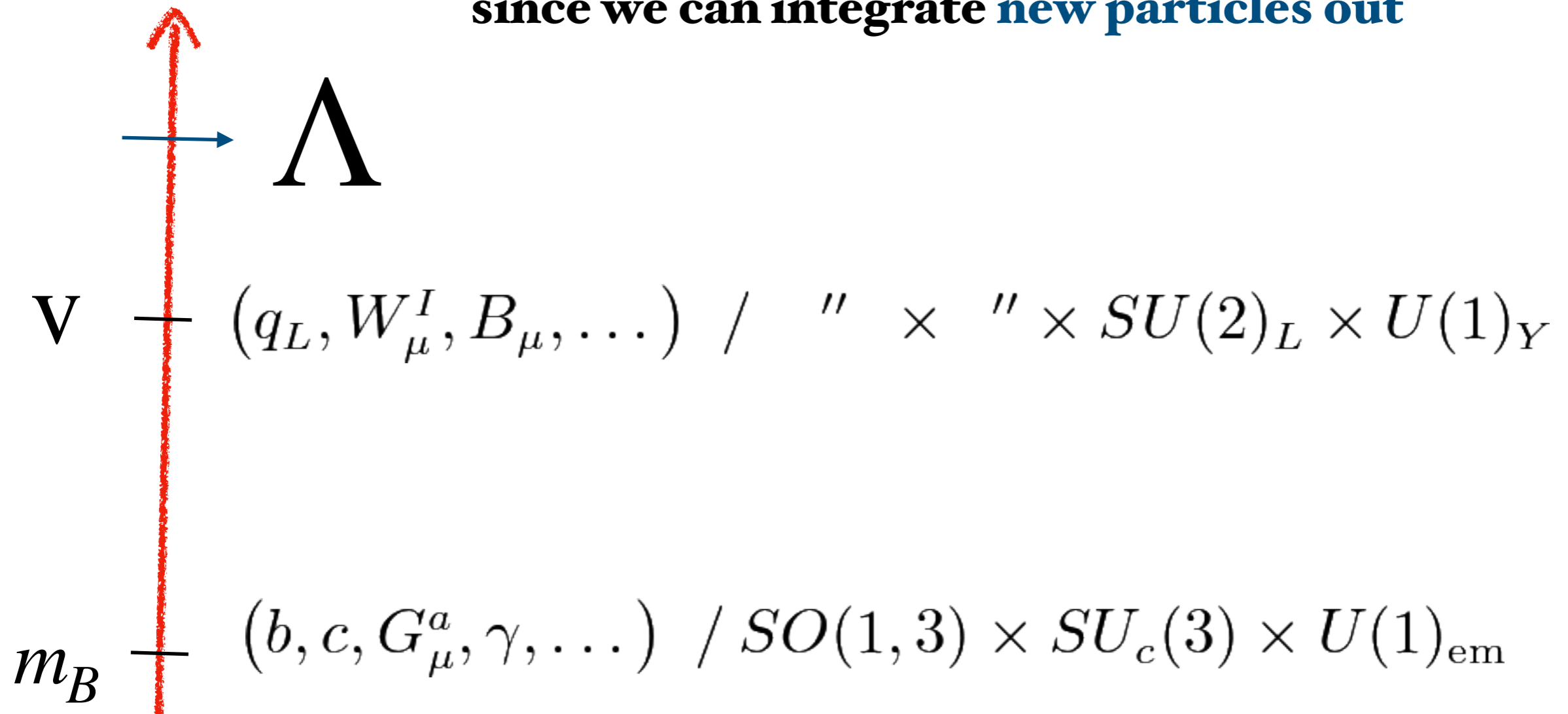
**different charged particles, but all charged**



**Safe to say that they are heavy since we haven't seen them in e.g. LEP**

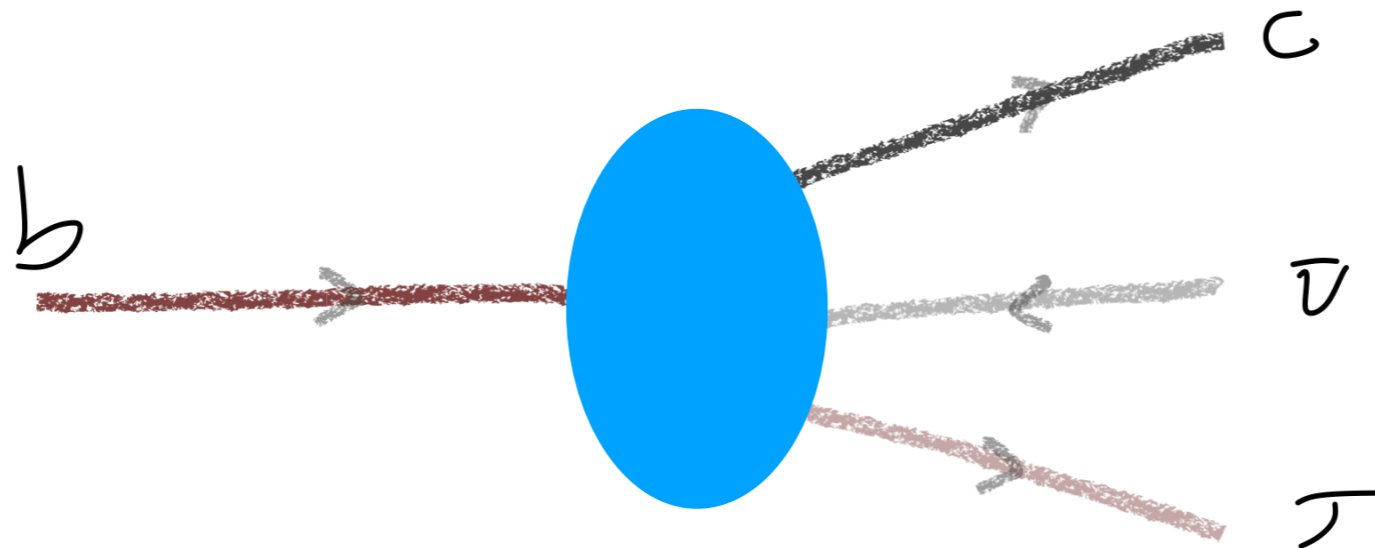
# Heavy new physics = EFT

Which is to say work with **new interactions**  
since we can integrate **new particles out**



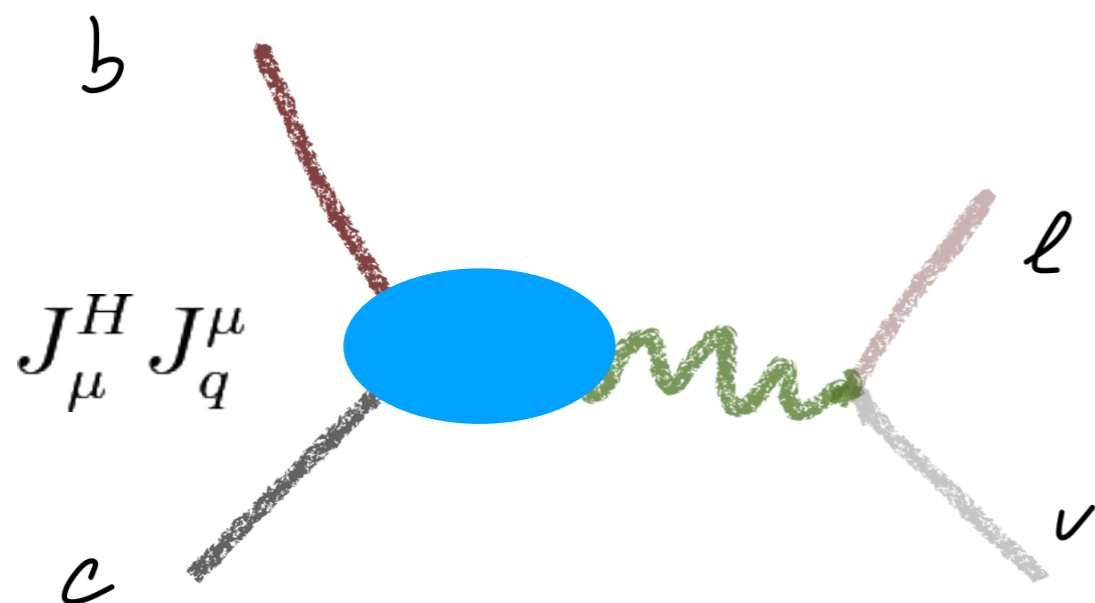
Our expansion is then in  $\frac{E}{\Lambda}$  or,  $\frac{v/\lambda}{\Lambda}$  **when normalizing to the SM**

# Elementary level matrix elements



$$V_{cb} G_F \left( (\bar{c} \sigma^\mu b_L) (\bar{\tau} \sigma_\mu \nu_\tau) + \frac{(v/\lambda)^2}{\Lambda^2} \sum C(\bar{c} \Gamma b) \otimes (\bar{\tau} \Gamma' \nu_\tau) \right)$$

**Cirigliano, Jenkins, Gonzalez-Alonso 0908.1754**



$$(\bar{c}_R \bar{\sigma}^\mu b_R) (\bar{\tau}_L \sigma_\mu \nu_{\tau,L})$$

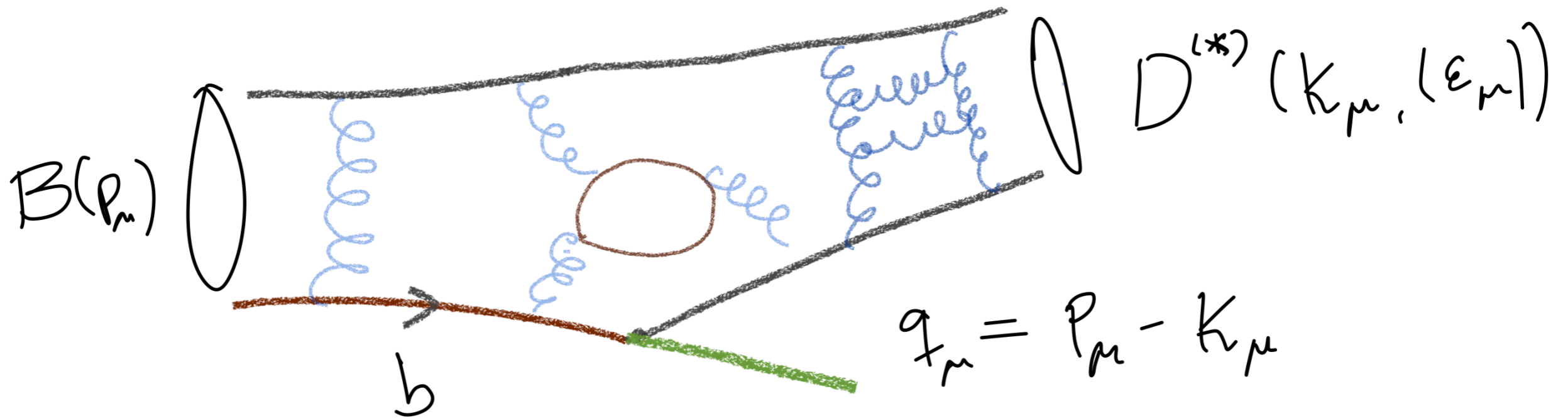
$$U(1)_Y: -2/3 \quad -1/3 \quad 1/2 \quad -1/2$$

**Just 4 parameters**

$$C_{V_L}, C_{S_{L,R}}, C_T$$



# Meson matrix elements



$$\langle D^{(*)}(k) | \bar{c} \Gamma b | B(p) \rangle = \sum_i f_i(q^2) (\otimes (\varepsilon_\mu, q_\nu, p_\rho))$$

**There is a number of form factors which we need as input...**

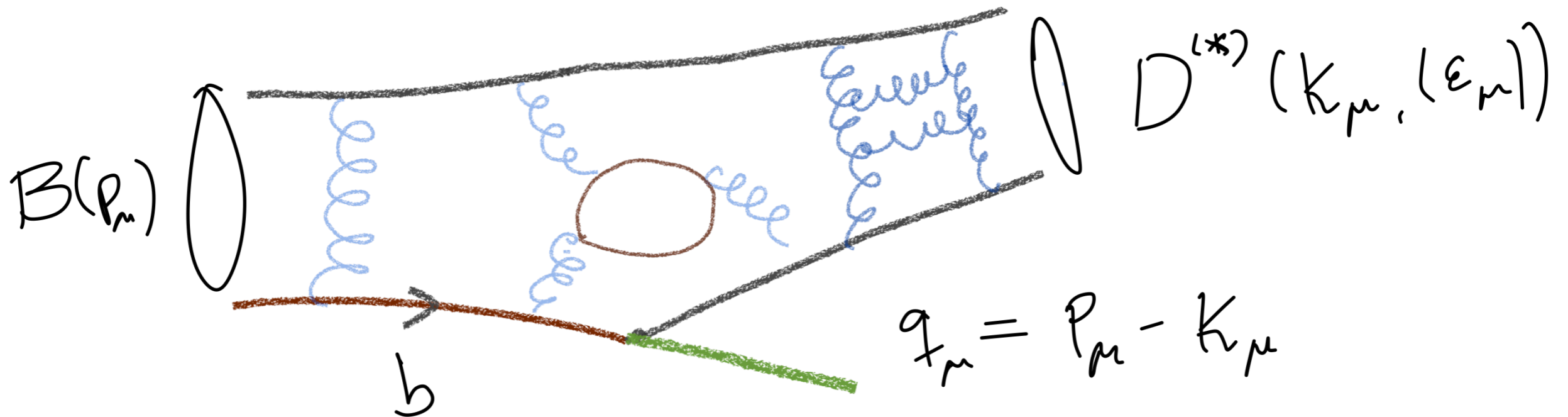
$$\langle D(k) | \bar{c} \gamma_\mu b | B(p) \rangle = f_+(q^2) (p + k)^\mu + f_-(q^2) q^\mu \quad \times \bar{\tau} \sigma_\mu \nu_L$$

**...which we cannot get around even with ratios**

$$\propto m_\tau$$



# Meson matrix elements



$$\langle D^{(*)}(k) | \bar{c} \Gamma b | B(p) \rangle = \sum_i f_i(q^2) (\otimes (\epsilon_\mu, q_\nu, p_\rho))$$

**There is a number of ways to extract these (HQET, Unitarity ...) and it matters**

e.g. inclusive **hep-ph/9508211 [Boyd, Grinstein, and Lebed]**  
 vs exclusive  $V_{cb}$  **hep-ph/9712417 [Caprini, Lellouch, and Neubert]**

**One can use experimental data to some extent [Hammer] 2002.00020**

**or even rely instead on lattice**

**1902.08191 [FLAG 2019]**

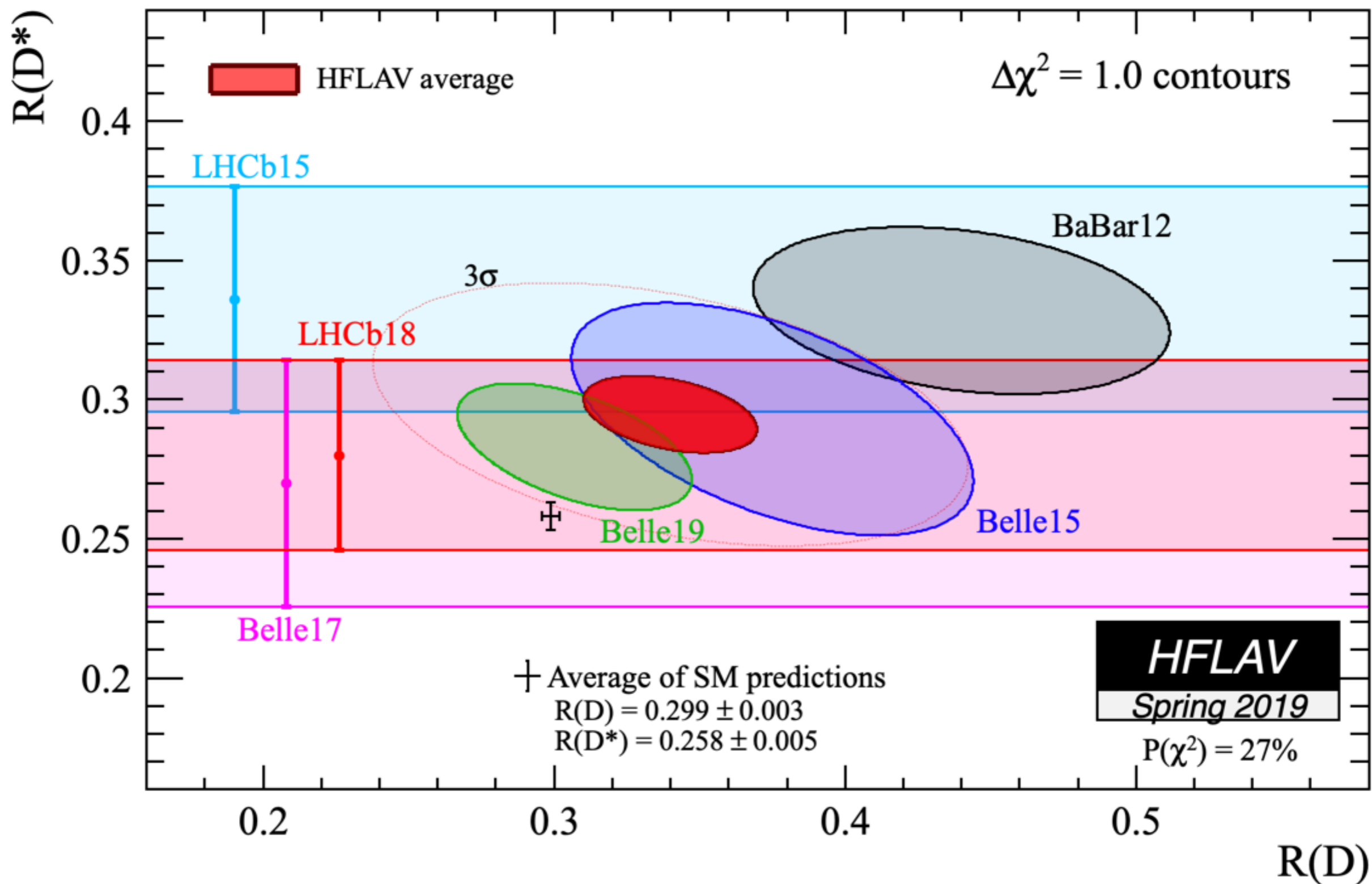
**Either way...**

# SM prediction

| Coll.   | Approach                              | $R(D)$                              | $R(D^*)$                            | corr.      |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| 1607.00299 [FLAG]                               | Lattice                               | $0.300 \pm 0.008$                   | —                                   | —          |
| 1606.08030 [Bigi, Gambino]                      | Lattice + Belle/BaBar                 | $0.299 \pm 0.003$                   | —                                   | —          |
| 1203.2654 [Fajfer, Kamenik, Nisandzic]          | Cont.+ Belle                          | —                                   | $0.252 \pm 0.003$                   | —          |
| 1703.05330 [Bernlochner, Ligeti, Papucci, & DR] | Lattice + Belle + HQET NLO            | $0.299 \pm 0.003$                   | $0.257 \pm 0.003$                   | 0.44       |
| 1707.09509 [Bigi, Gambino, Schacht]             | BGL + BLPR + $1/m_c^2$ error estimate | —                                   | $0.260 \pm 0.008$                   | —          |
| 1707.09977 [Jaiswal, Nandi, Patra]              | BGL/HQET + $1/m_c^2$ parameter        | $0.299 \pm 0.004$                   | $0.257 \pm 0.005$                   | $\sim 0.1$ |
| <b>HFLAV</b>                                    | Arithmetic average                    | <b><math>0.299 \pm 0.003</math></b> | <b><math>0.258 \pm 0.005</math></b> | —          |

**Taken from D. Robinson's talk at FPCP '19**

# Experimental data



# What it might point at if true

**The deviation on both observables  
gives an "easy" modification, in the SM we have**

$$\langle D^{(*)} | (J_V^\mu - J_A^\mu) | B \rangle \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} D(\text{QCD}) \text{ selects } J_V \\ D^*(\text{QCD}) \text{ selects } J_A \end{array}$$

**So new physics current with the same chiral structure would do the job**

$$J_{V-A}^{\text{NP}} (C_{V_L})?$$

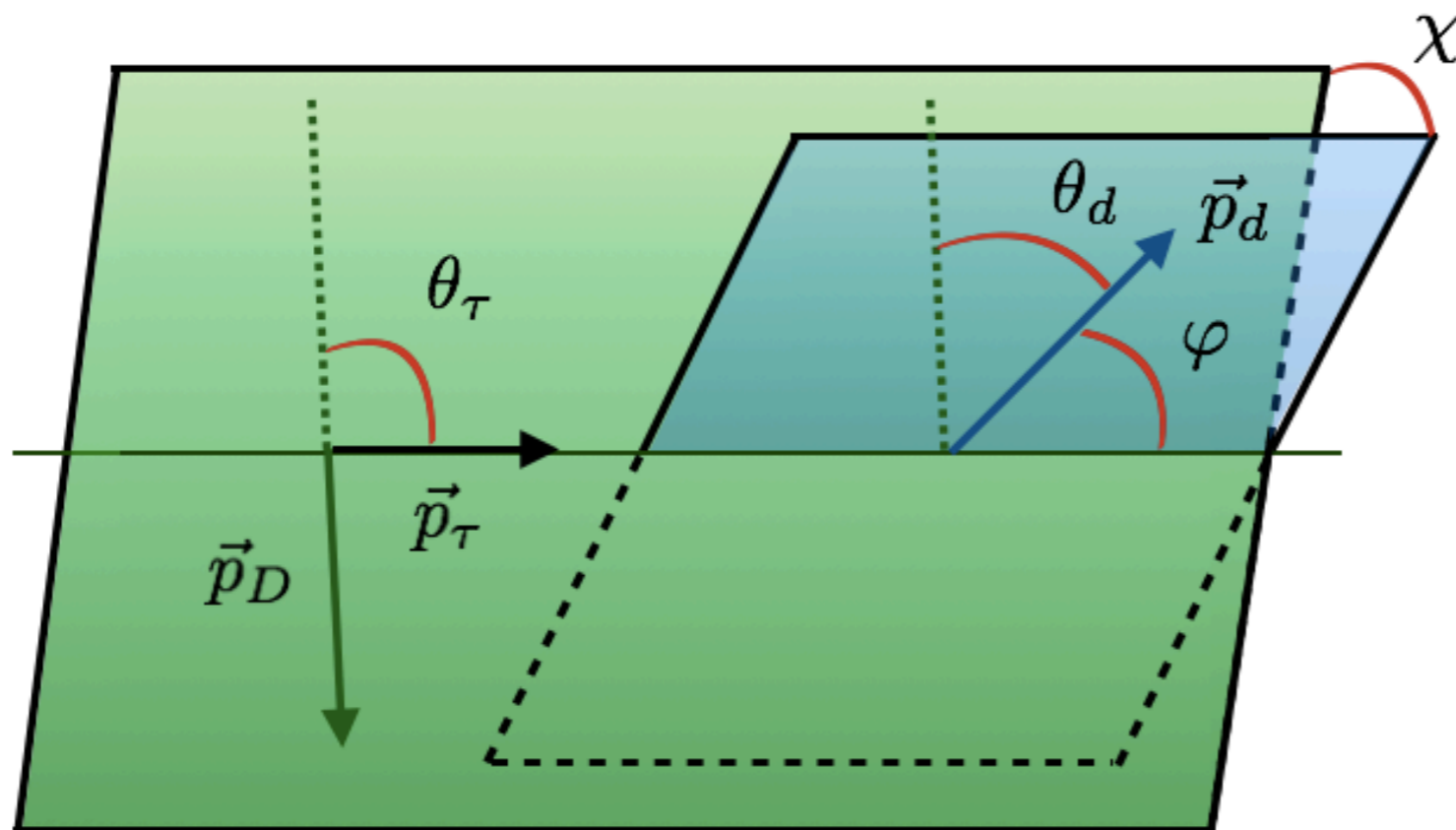
**However fitting to two numbers with 4 parameters  
leaves degeneracies....**

# Getting more out of it

**Polarization!**

tanaka hep-ph/9411405

**We have the different helicity amplitudes,  
what do they say about the spin structure?**



Use  
'polarization fractions'

$P_\tau$   $\tau$  polarization

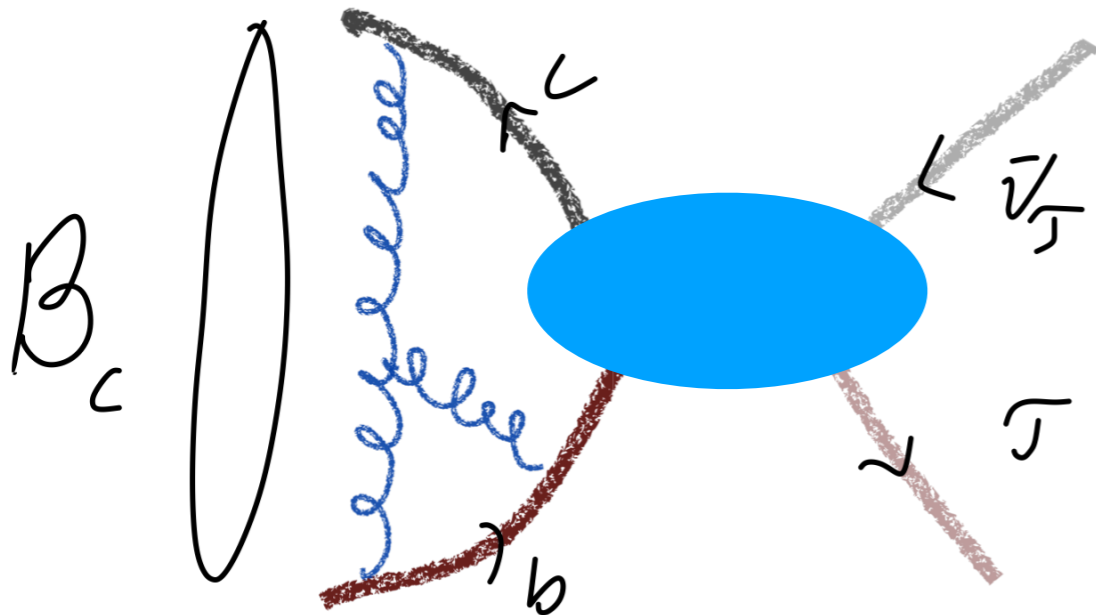
$F_{D^*}^L$   $D^*$  polarization

**Belle 1709.00129**

**Belle 1903.03102**

# One unavoidable observable

Li, Yang & Zhang 1605.09308, RA, & Grinstein 1611.06676  
Akeroyd & Chen 1708.04072

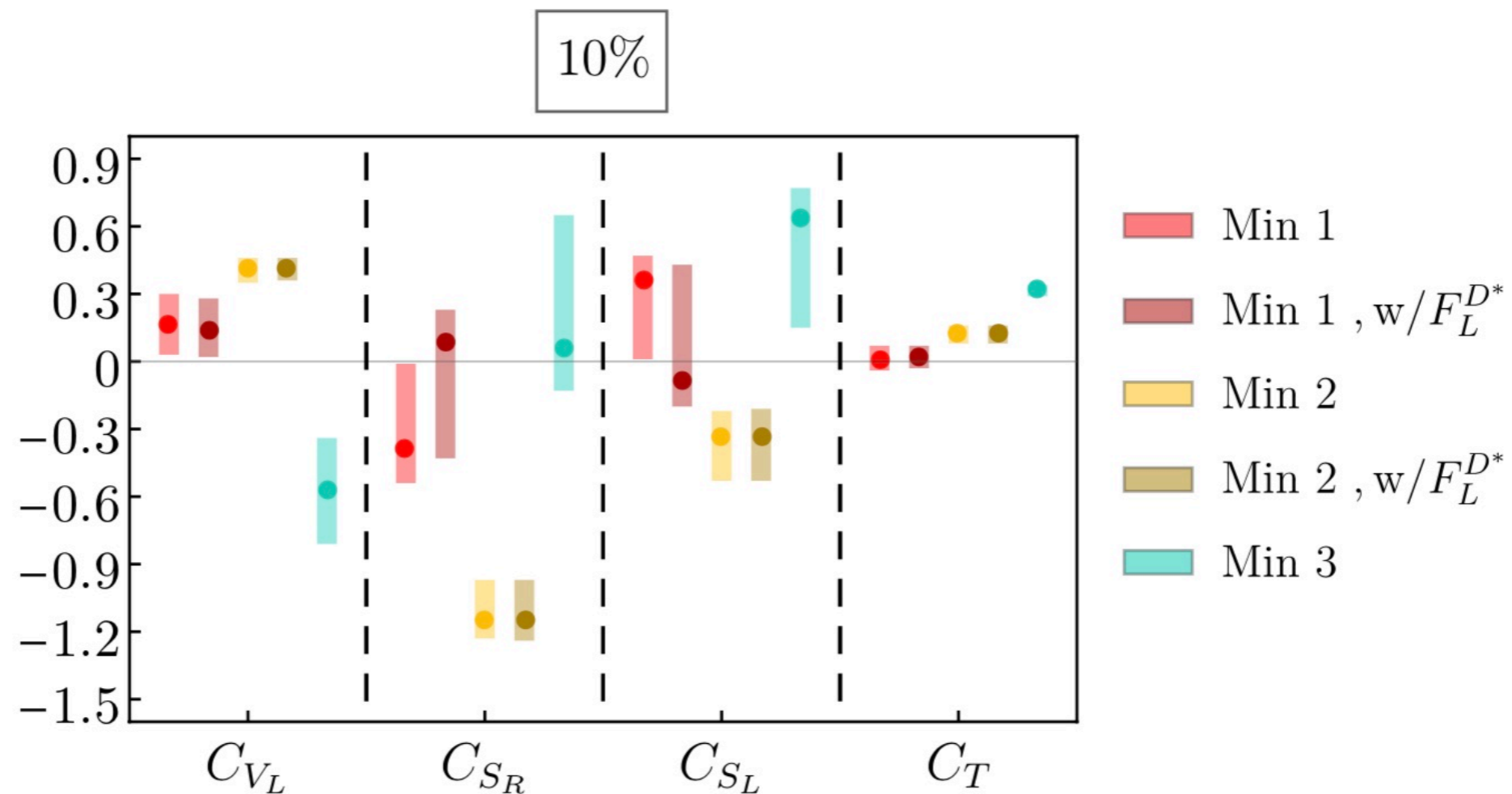


**Although this decay has not been measured the width cannot be larger than 30% (10%) which is enough for a relevant constraint**

$$\frac{\Gamma(B_c \rightarrow \tau \nu)}{\Gamma(B_c \rightarrow \tau \nu)_{\text{SM}}} = \left| 1 + C_{V_L} + \frac{m_{B_c}^2}{m_\tau(m_b + m_c)} (C_{S_R} - C_{S_L}) \right|^2$$

# With all the above: fit

Murgui, Penuelas, Jung & Pich 1904.09311



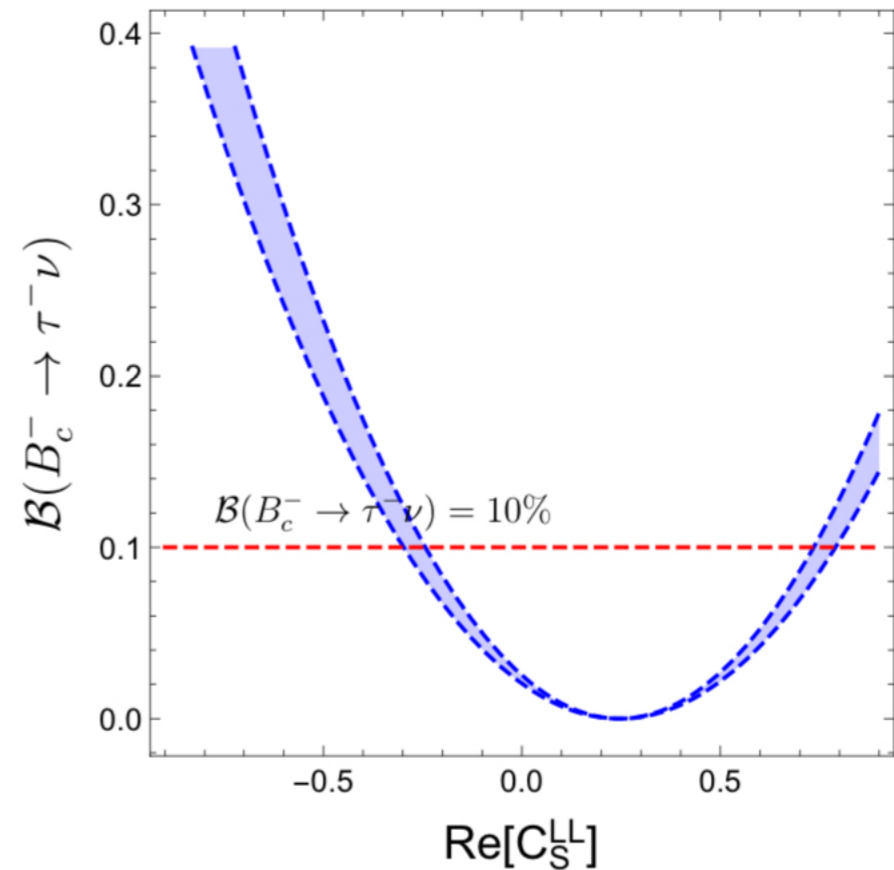
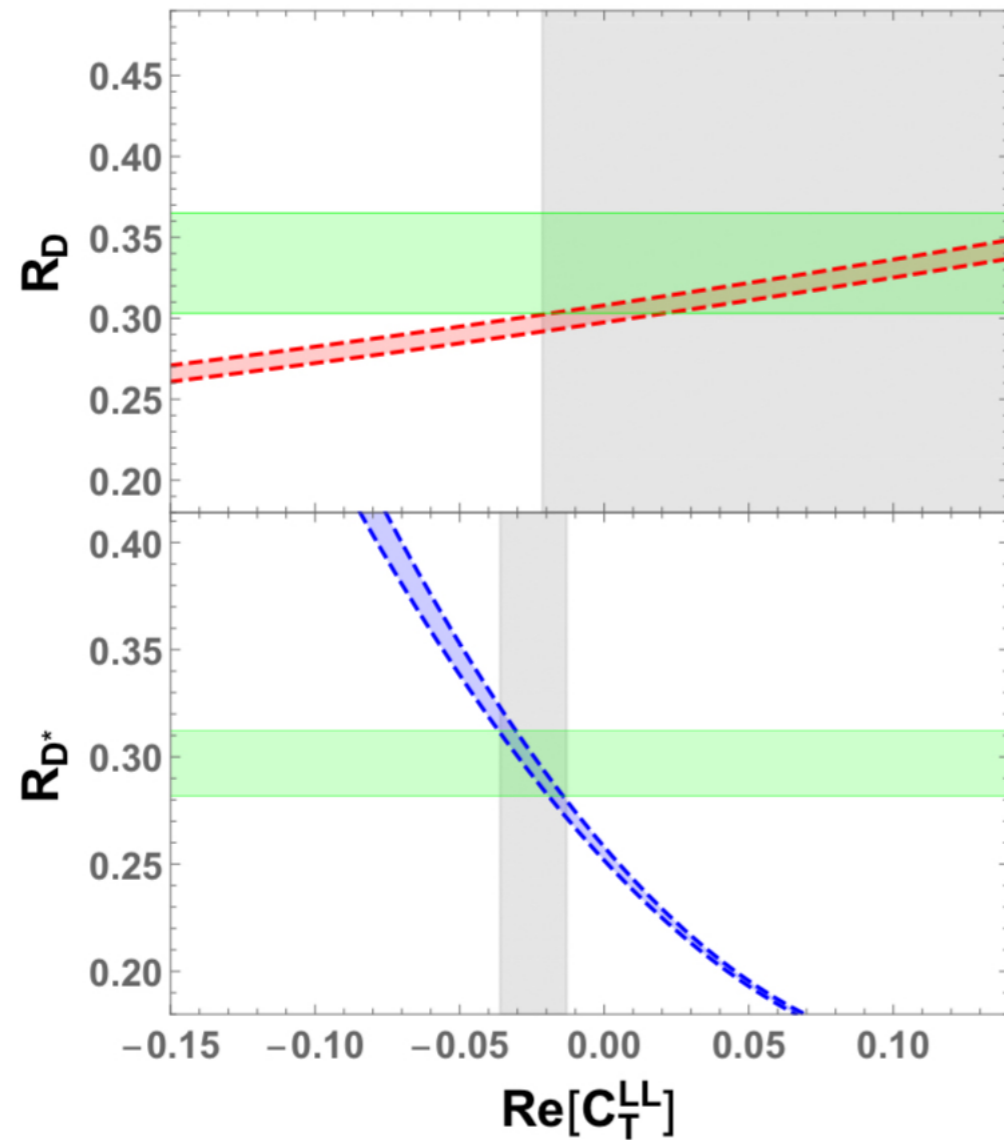
- \*) Some degeneracies in minima make the bars 'wide'
- \*) The single coefficient solution is still  $V_L$
- \*) Scalar solutions saturate  $B_c$

With the updated data...



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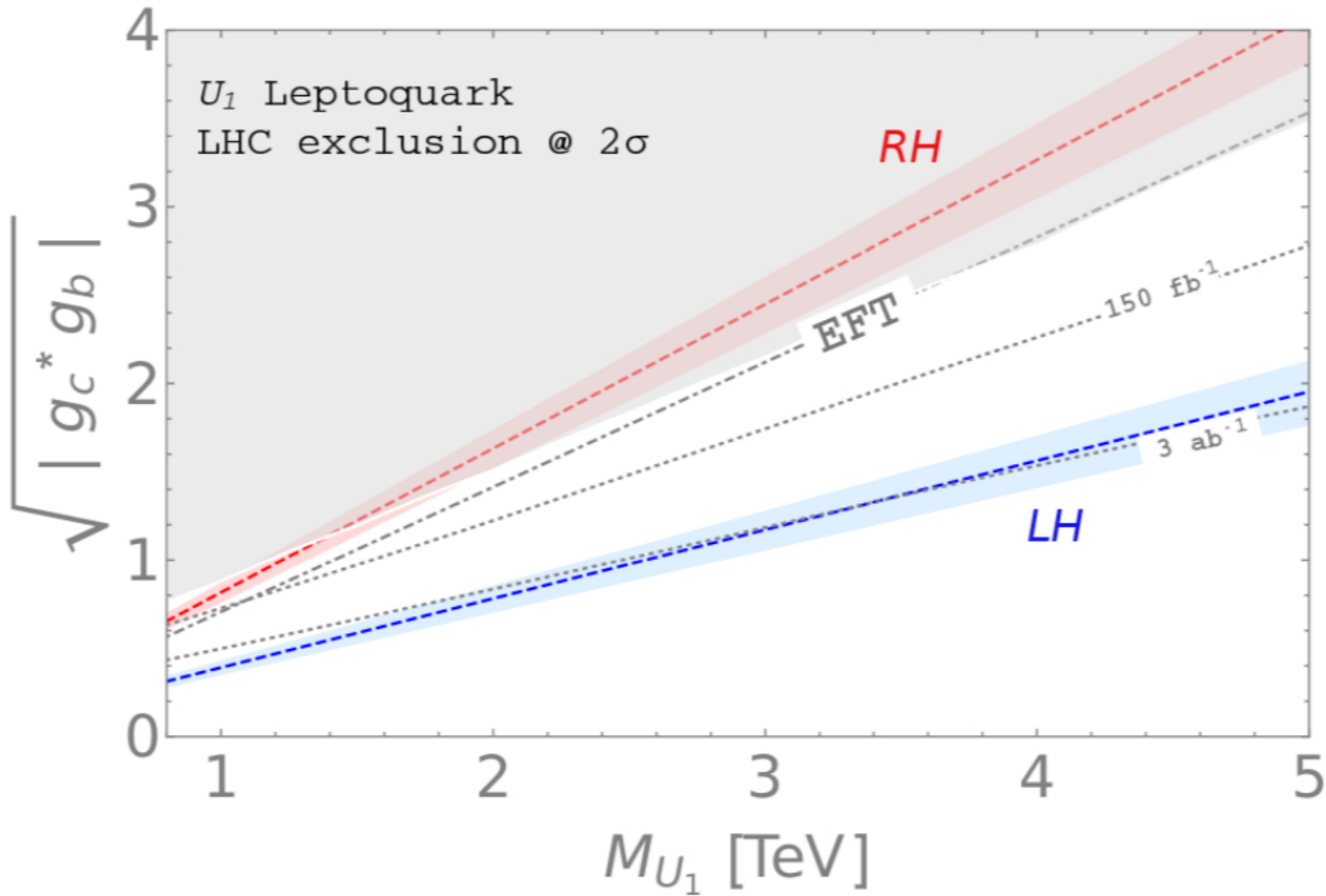
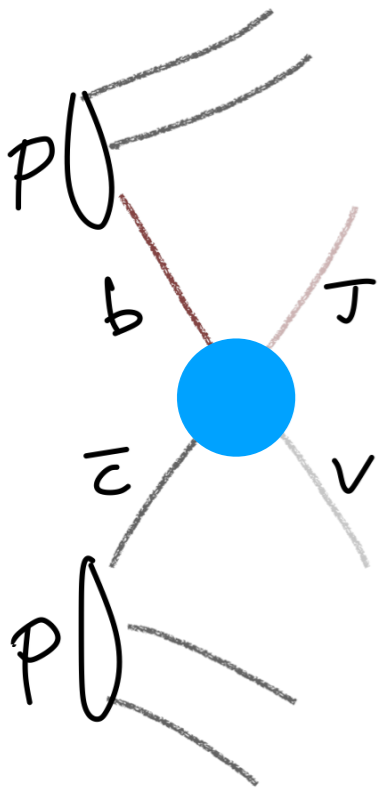
**Bardhan & Gosh 1904.10432,**



**The effect required is smaller now  
which relaxes tensions with other data, e.g. the tensor operator  $C_T$**

# LHC searches

**Greljo, Camalich & Ruiz-Alvarez 1811.07920,**



$$U_1$$

$$\frac{2e}{3}, g_s \mathbf{3}$$

**SU(2) partners, RGE (Feruglio Paradisi & Pattori 1705.00929)...**

# Conclusions

**The anomaly in**

$$R(D^{(*)}) \equiv \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu)}$$

**is the closest new physics  
within reach**

**&**

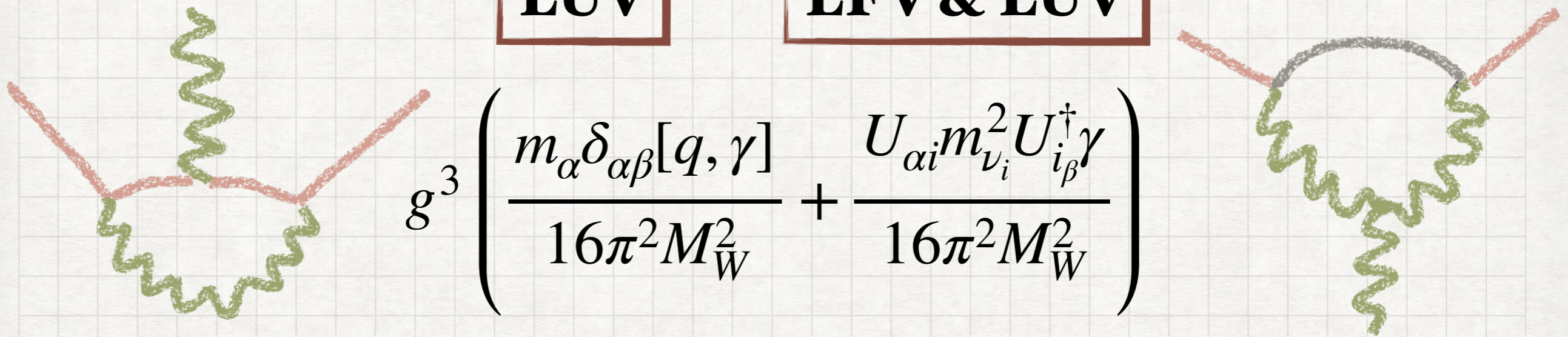
**a multi-experiment effort  
will bring timely resolution**



# Lepton Universality (LU)

**LUV**

**LFV & LUV**



$$g^3 \left( \frac{m_\alpha \delta_{\alpha\beta} [q, \gamma]}{16\pi^2 M_W^2} + \frac{U_{\alpha i} m_{\nu_i}^2 U_{i\beta}^\dagger \gamma}{16\pi^2 M_W^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{Z \rightarrow \ell\ell}{Z \rightarrow \ell'\ell'} = 1 \pm 0.1\% \quad (\text{LEP})$$

$$\frac{Z \rightarrow \ell'\ell}{Z \rightarrow \ell\ell} < 10^{-6} \quad (\text{LEP})$$