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# Status and Update on $V_{us}$ determination

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# Outline

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1. Introduction and Motivation
2. Why Cabbibo angle anomaly?
3. Prospects
4. Can Tau physics help?
5. Conclusion and Outlook

# 1. Introduction and Motivation

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# 1.1 Test of the Standard Model: $V_{us}$ and CKM unitarity

- Extraction of the Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix element  $V_{us}$ 
  - Fundamental parameter of the Standard Model

Description of the **weak interactions**:

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_{\alpha}^{+} \left( \bar{D}_L \mathbf{V}_{CKM} \gamma^{\alpha} U_L + \bar{e}_L \gamma^{\alpha} \nu_{e_L} + \bar{\mu}_L \gamma^{\alpha} \nu_{\mu_L} + \bar{\tau}_L \gamma^{\alpha} \nu_{\tau_L} \right) + \text{h.c.}$$

Unitary  
matrix

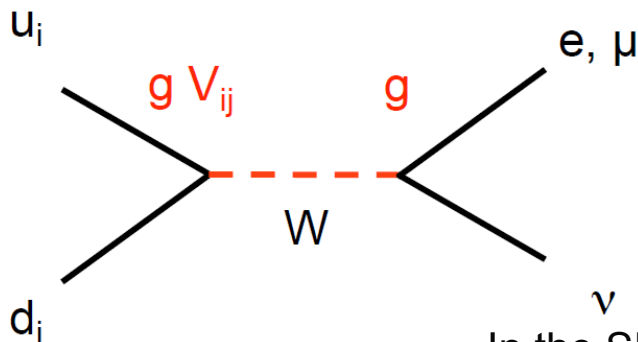
- Check unitarity of the first row of the CKM matrix:



**Cabibbo Universality:**

$$|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 1$$

Negligible  $\sim 2 \times 10^{-5}$   
(B decays)



$$|V_{ud}| = \cos \theta_C \quad \text{and} \quad |V_{us}| = \sin \theta_C$$

In the SM: W exchange  $\Rightarrow$  V – A structure only

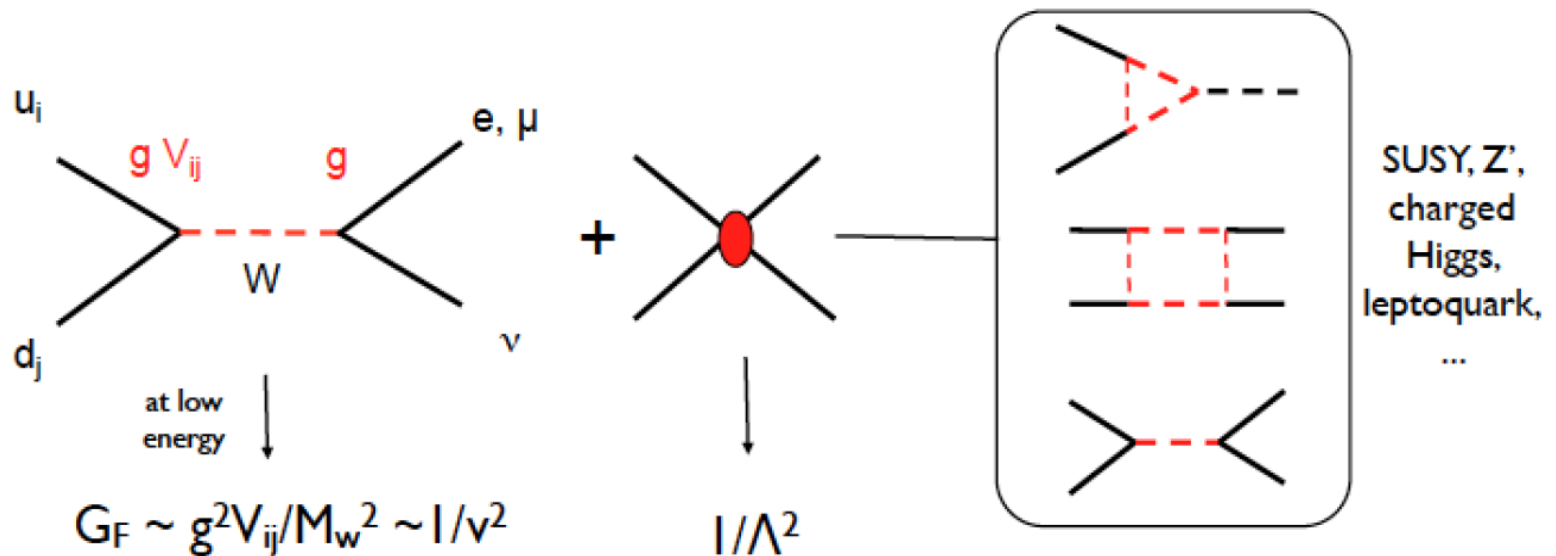
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Quarks	u	c	t	$\gamma$	H
	d	s	b	g	
Leptons	$\nu_e$	$\nu_{\mu}$	$\nu_{\tau}$	Z	
	e	$\mu$	$\tau$	W	
	3 generations				
				Forces	Higgs



# 1.2 Constraining New Physics

- BSM: sensitive to tree-level and loop effects of a large class of models

➔  $|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 1 + \Delta_{CKM}$

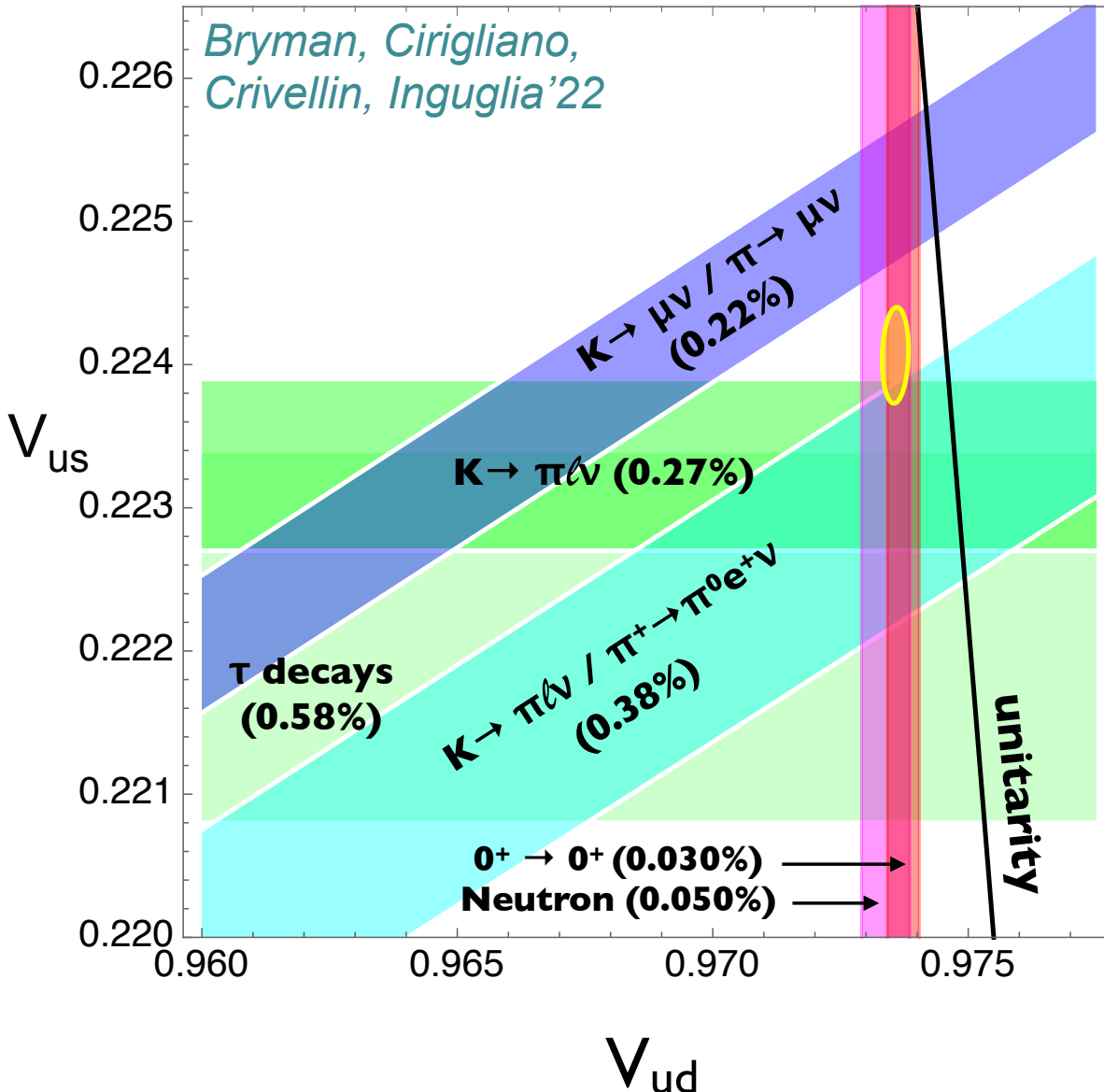


➔ BSM effects :  $\Delta \sim \frac{c_n}{g^2} \frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \leq 10^{-2} - 10^{-3} \longleftrightarrow \Lambda \sim 1-10 \text{ TeV}$

# 1.3 Cabibbo angle anomaly

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Bryman, Cirigliano,  
Crivellin, Inguglia'22



$$|V_{ud}| = 0.97373(31)$$

$$|V_{us}| = 0.2231(6)$$

$$|V_{us}|/|V_{ud}| = 0.2311(5)$$

Fit results, no constraint

$$V_{ud} = 0.97365(30)$$

$$V_{us} = 0.22414(37)$$

$$\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 6.6/1 \text{ (1.0\%)}$$

$$\Delta_{\text{CKM}} = -0.0018(6)$$

**$-2.7\sigma$**

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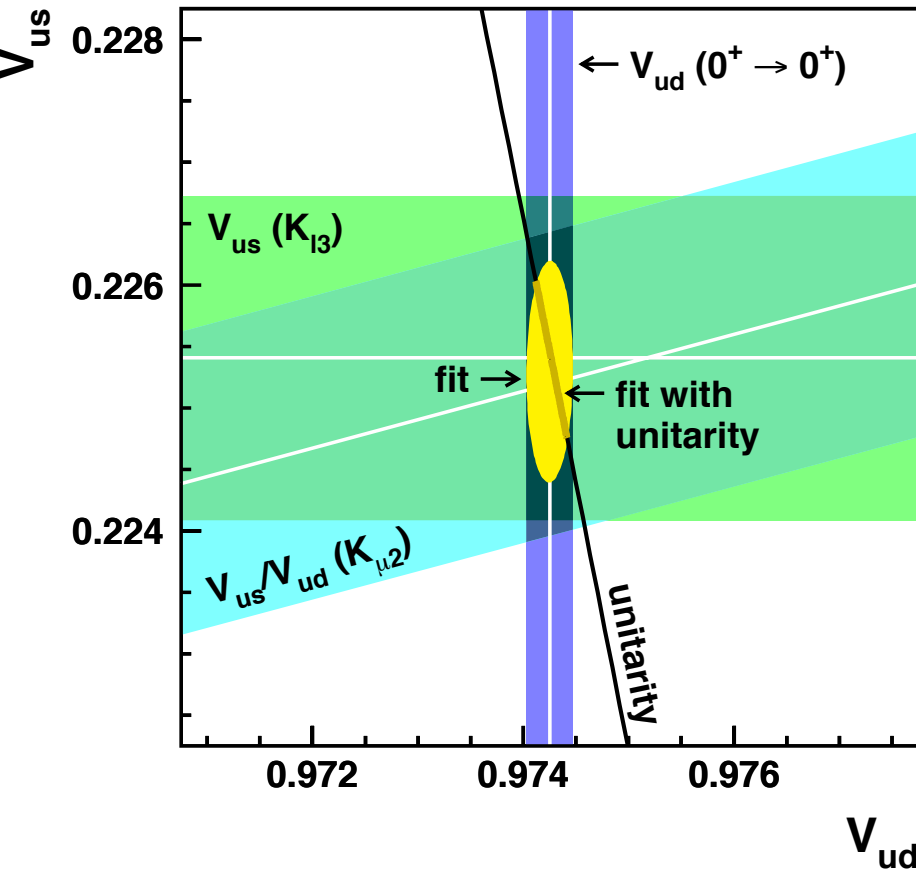
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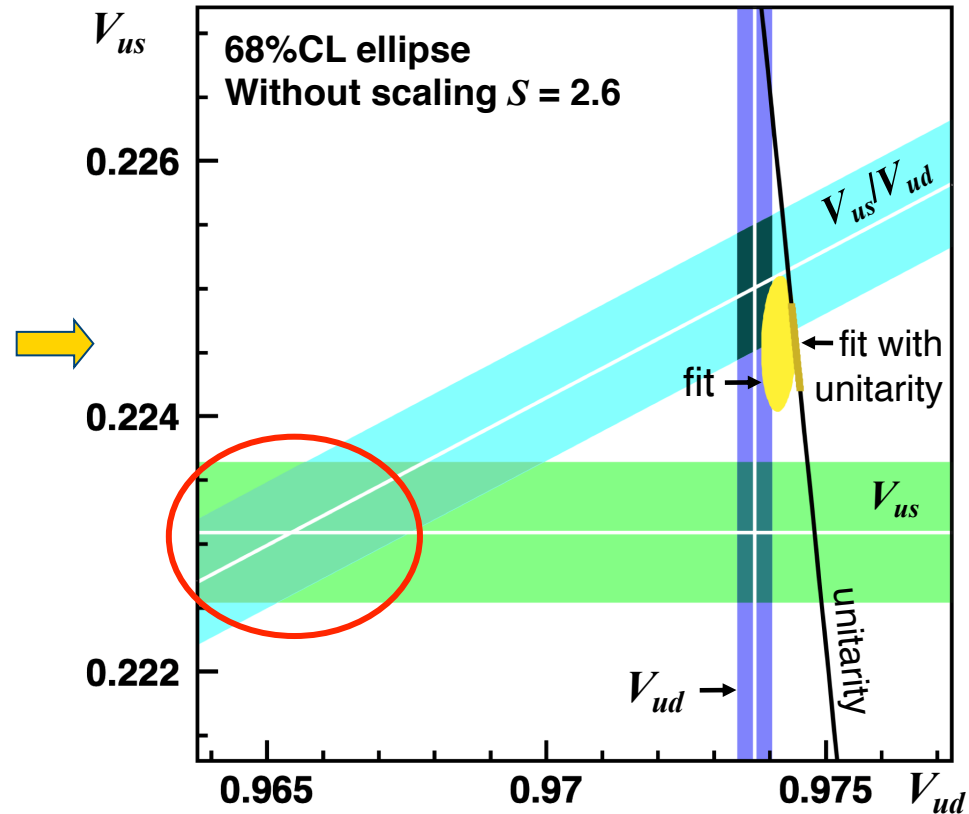
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## 2.1 Changes on $V_{us}$ and $V_{ud}$ since 2011

Flavianet Kaon WG: *Antonelli et al'11*



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## 2.2 Paths to $V_{ud}$ and $V_{us}$

- From kaon, pion, baryon and nuclear decays

$V_{ud}$	$0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ $\pi^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 e \nu_e$	$n \rightarrow p e \nu_e$	$\pi \rightarrow l \nu_l$
$V_{us}$	$K \rightarrow \pi l \nu_l$	$\Lambda \rightarrow p e \nu_e$	$K \rightarrow l \nu_l$

$$\Gamma_k = (G_F^{(\mu)})^2 \times |V_{ij}|^2 \times |M_{\text{had}}|^2 \times (1 + \delta_{RC}) \times F_{\text{kin}}$$

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effective CKM element

Hadronic matrix  
element

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  - Radiative corrections for  $V_{ud}$  extraction from **dispersive methods and EFTs** but also for  $V_{us}$  extraction (+ **lattice QCD**)

*Seng et al.'18'19, Gorshteyn'18, Cirigliano et al.'22,'24*



see talks this week



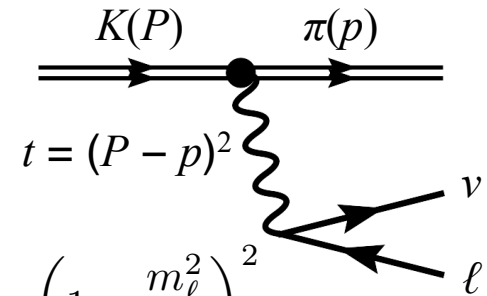
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Hadronic matrix element:

$$\langle \pi^-(p) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu u | K^0(P) \rangle = f_+^{K^0 \pi^-}(t) \left[ (P+p)_\mu \bar{f}_+^{K^0 \pi^-}(t) + (P-p)_\mu \bar{f}_-^{K^0 \pi^-}(t) \right]$$



- Phase space integrals: 
$$I_{K\ell} = \frac{2}{3} \int_{m_\ell^2}^{t_0} \frac{dt}{M_K^8} \bar{\lambda}^{3/2} \left(1 + \frac{m_\ell^2}{2t}\right) \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{2t}\right)^2 \times \left( \bar{f}_+^2(t) + \frac{3m_\ell^2 \Delta_{K\pi}^2}{(2t + m_\ell^2) \bar{\lambda}} \bar{f}_0^2(t) \right),$$
- In  $K_{e3}$  decays: only vector FF  $\bar{f}_+^{K^0 \pi^-}(t)$
- In  $K_{\mu 3}$  decays, also need the scalar FF 
$$\bar{f}_0(t) = \bar{f}_+(t) + \frac{t}{m_K^2 - m_\pi^2} \bar{f}_-(t)$$
- For  $V_{us}$ , need integral over phase space of squared matrix element: Parameterize form factors and fit distributions in  $t$  (or related variables)

# K $\pi$ form factor parametrizations

- Parametrizations based on Taylor expansion:

$$\bar{f}_{+,0}(t) = 1 + \lambda_{+,0} \left( \frac{t}{m_{\pi^\pm}^2} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad \bar{f}_{+,0}(t) = 1 + \lambda'_{+,0} \left( \frac{t}{m_{\pi^\pm}^2} \right) + \lambda''_{+,0} \left( \frac{t}{m_{\pi^\pm}^2} \right)^2$$

Very simple parametrization but limited in energy range and not physically motivated: many parameters and strong correlations between them

➡ unstable fits

- Physically motivated parametrizations:

- Pole parametrization

$$\bar{f}_{+,0}(t) = \left( \frac{M_{V,S}^2}{M_{V,S}^2 - t} \right)$$

Well motivated for the vector (K\* resonance)  
But for the scalar M<sub>S</sub>?

- Dispersive parametrization

*Bernard, Oertel, E.P., Stern'06,'09*

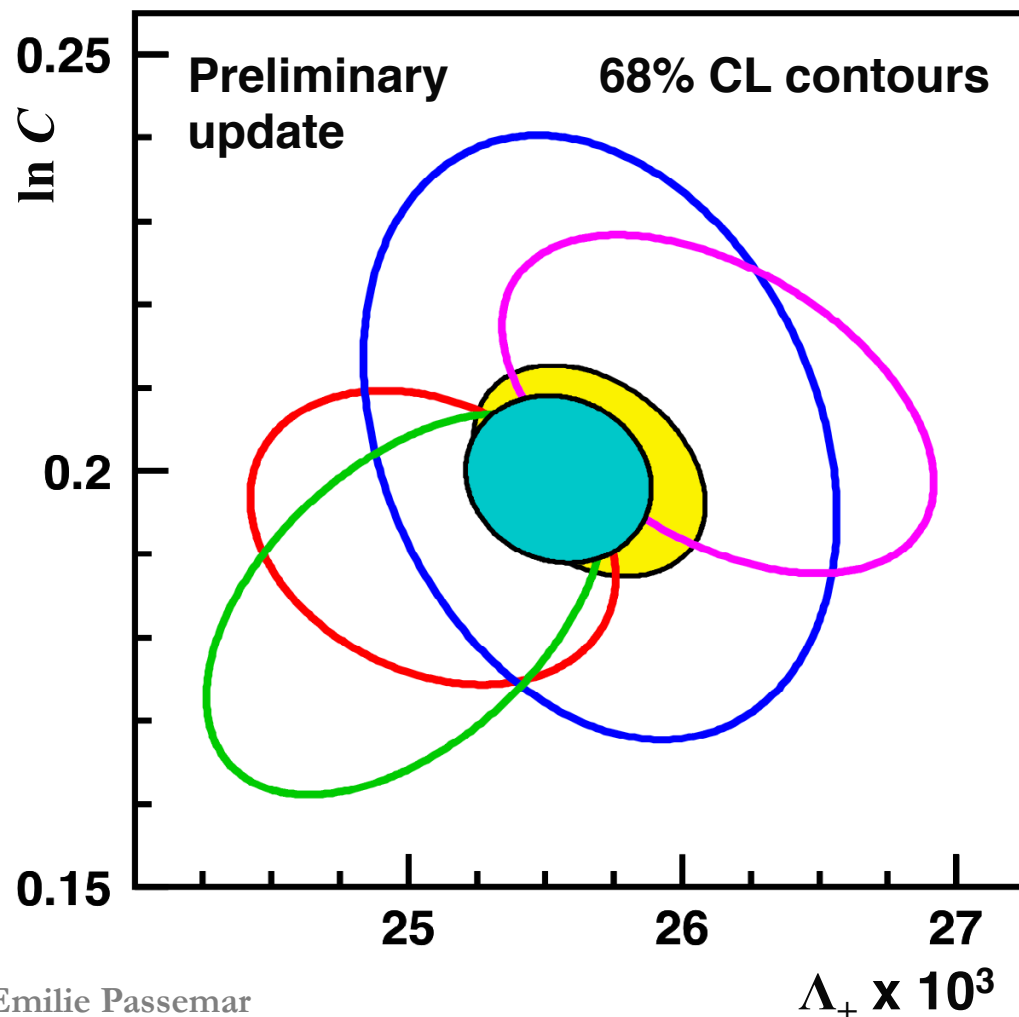
$$\bar{f}_+(t) = \exp \left[ \frac{t}{m_\pi^2} \left( \Lambda_+ - H(t) \right) \right] \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{f}_0(t) = \exp \left[ \frac{t}{m_K^2 - m_\pi^2} \left( \ln C - G(t) \right) \right]$$

K $\pi$  scattering phase

# Dispersive parameters for $K_{\ell 3}$ form factors

$K_{\ell 3}$  avgs from **KTeV** **KLOE** **ISTRA+** **NA48/2**  
 NA48  $K_{e3}$  data included in fits but not shown

**2010 fit** **Update**



$$\Lambda_+ \times 10^3 = 25.55 \pm 0.38$$

$$\ln C = 0.1992(78)$$

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## Integrals

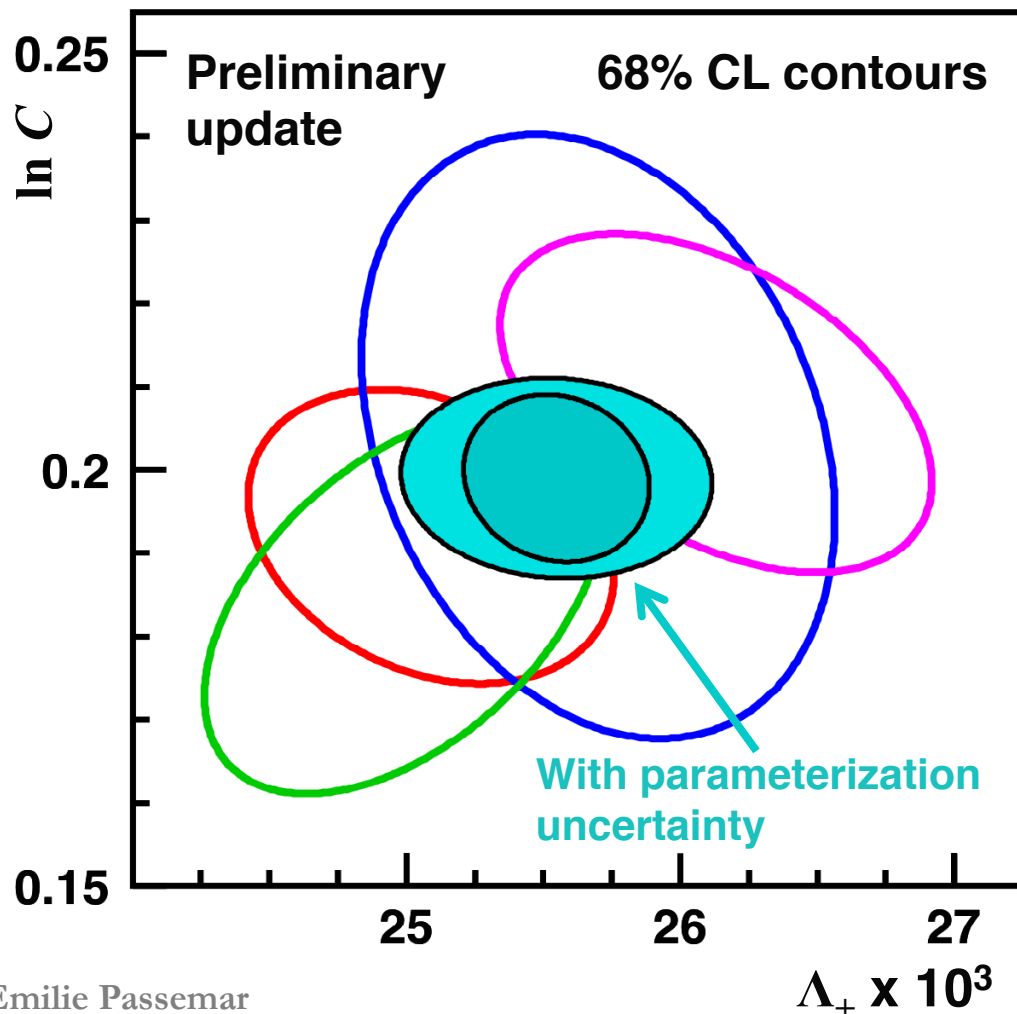
Mode	Update	2010
$K^0_{e3}$	<b>0.15470(15)</b>	0.15476(18)
$K^+_{e3}$	<b>0.15915(15)</b>	0.15922(18)
$K^0_{\mu 3}$	<b>0.10247(15)</b>	0.10253(16)
$K^+_{\mu 3}$	<b>0.10553(16)</b>	0.10559(17)

Only tiny changes in central values

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Fit results include common uncertainty from  $H(t)$ ,  $G(t)$ :

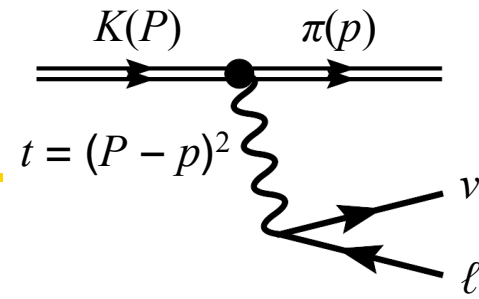
$$\sigma_{\text{param}}(\Lambda_+) = 0.3 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{param}}(\ln C) = 0.0040$$

KTeV, Bernard et al.'09

Confidence ellipses shown **without** common uncertainty (except as indicated)

## 2.3 $V_{us}$ from $K_{l3}$ ( $K \rightarrow \pi l \nu_l$ )



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Average and work by [Flavianet Kaon WG Antonelli et al.'11](#) and then by [M. Moulson](#), see e.g. [Moulson&E.P.@CKM2021](#)

Theoretically

- Possible update on  $S_{EW}$ ? Based on [Cirigliano et al.'23](#), [Gorbahn et al.'25](#)
- Update on long-distance EM corrections [Seng et al.'21](#)
- Improvement on Isospin breaking evaluation due to more precise dominant input: quark mass ratio from  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$  + lattice QCD [Colangelo et al.'18](#), [FLAG'21](#)
- Progress from lattice QCD on the  $K \rightarrow \pi$  FF

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- Short distance electroweak correction *Sirlin'82*

$$S_{ew} = 1 + \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right) \log \frac{m_Z}{m_\rho} + O\left( \frac{\alpha\alpha_s}{\pi^2} \right) \Rightarrow S_{ew} = 1.0232(3)$$

Resummation of large logarithms at NLL possible, see *Cirigliano et al.'23*, *Gorbahn et al.'25*

➡ see talk by *Vincenzo*

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- Long distance EM corrections:  $\Delta_{EM}^{K\ell}$  Computed in ChPT at  $O(p^2 e^2)$

*Cirigliano, Giannotti, Neufeld'08*

New calculation by *Seng et al.'21* using hybrid current algebra and ChPT with resummation of largest terms to all chiral orders:

- Reduced uncertainties at  $O(e^2 p^4)$
- Lattice evaluation of QCD contributions to  $\gamma W$  box diagrams

	Cirigliano et al. '08	Seng et al. '21
$\Delta^{EM}(K^0_{e3})$ [%]	$0.50 \pm 0.11$	<b><math>0.580 \pm 0.016</math></b>
$\Delta^{EM}(K^+_{e3})$ [%]	$0.05 \pm 0.12$	<b><math>0.105 \pm 0.023</math></b>
$\Delta^{EM}(K^+_{\mu 3})$ [%]	$0.70 \pm 0.11$	<b><math>0.770 \pm 0.019</math></b>
$\Delta^{EM}(K^0_{\mu 3})$ [%]	$0.01 \pm 0.12$	<b><math>0.025 \pm 0.027</math></b>

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- Isospin breaking : 
$$\Delta_{SU(2)}^{K\pi} = \frac{f_+^{K^+ \pi^0}(0)}{f_+^{K^0 \pi^-}(0)} - 1$$

*Gasser & Leutwyler'85*

Computed in ChPT at  $O(p^4)$ : 
$$\Delta_{SU(2)}^{K\pi} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{Q^2} \left[ \frac{\overline{M}_K^2}{\overline{M}_\pi^2} + \frac{\chi_{p^4}}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{m_s}{\hat{m}} \right) \right] = 2.61(17)\%$$

$$\left[ \hat{m} \equiv \frac{m_d + m_u}{2} \right] \quad \text{and} \quad Q^2 \equiv \frac{m_s^2 - \hat{m}^2}{m_d^2 - m_u^2}$$

Inputs from lattice QCD and from  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$  analysis for Q

*Colangelo et al.'18 + FLAG'21*



# Determination of $f_+(0)$

- SU(3) breaking in  $f_+(0)$ 
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$$f_+^{K^0\pi^-}(0) = 1 + \underbrace{f_{p^4}}_{O(m_q)} + \underbrace{f_{p^6}}_{O(m_q^2)} + \dots$$

chiral expansion

- $f_{p^4}$ :

*Gasser & Leutwyler'85*

→ One loop graph :



→ First order in  $m_q$ , 2<sup>nd</sup> order in  $(m_s - m_u)$   $\Rightarrow f_{p^4} \sim \frac{(m_s - m_u)^2}{m_s}$

→ No local operators, UV finite, free of uncertainties



$$f_{p^4} = -0.0227$$

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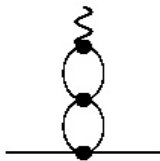
–  $f_{p^6}$ :

*Bijnens & Talavera'02*

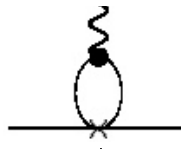
$$f_{p^6} = f_{p^6}^{2\text{-loops}}(\mu) + f_{p^6}^{L_i \times \text{loop}}(\mu) + f_{p^6}^{\text{tree}}(\mu)$$

$$f_{p^6}^{2\text{-loops}}(M_\rho) = 0.0113$$

$$f_{p^6}^{L_i \times \text{loop}}(M_\rho) = -0.0020$$



Large positive  
chiral loop cont.

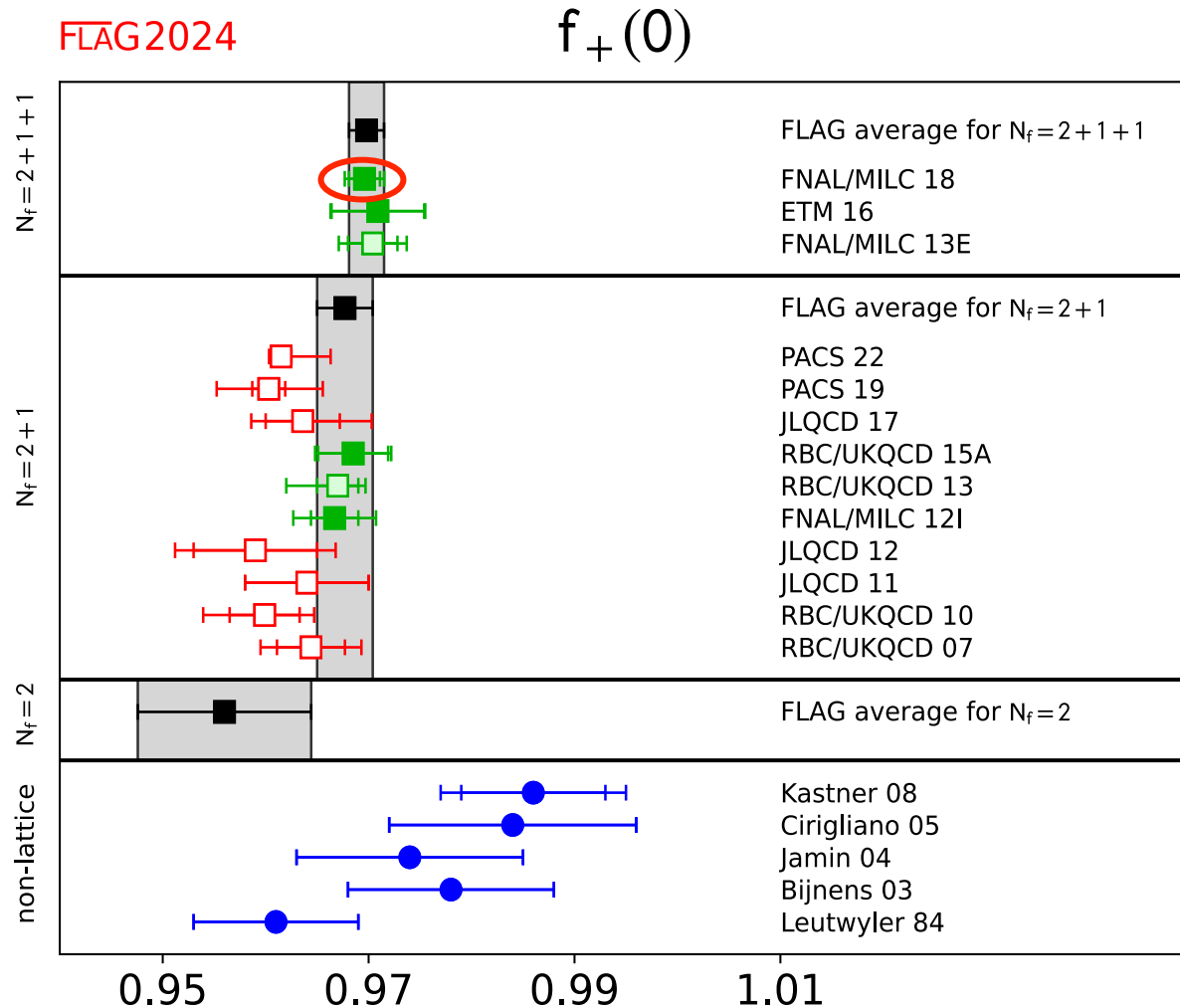


$$8 \frac{(M_K^2 - M_\pi^2)^2}{F_\pi^2} \left[ \frac{(L_5^r(M_\rho))^2}{F_\pi^2} - C_{12}^r(M_\rho) - C_{34}^r(M_\rho) \right]$$

LECs not fixed by chiral symmetry:  
quark model, large-Nc estimates, **LQCD**

# $f_+(0)$ from lattice QCD

- Recent progress on Lattice QCD for determining  $f_+(0)$



$$f_+(0)_{N_f=2+1+1}^{FLAG24} = 0.9698(17)$$

0.18% uncertainty

to be compared to

$$f_+(0)_{N_f=2+1+1}^{FLAG16} = 0.9704(32)$$

$$f_+(0)_{N_f=2+1}^{2010} = 0.959(50)$$

Uncertainty divided by  $\sim 2$  w/ 2016 and by 25 w/ 2011!



Lattice uncertainties at the **same level** as exp.

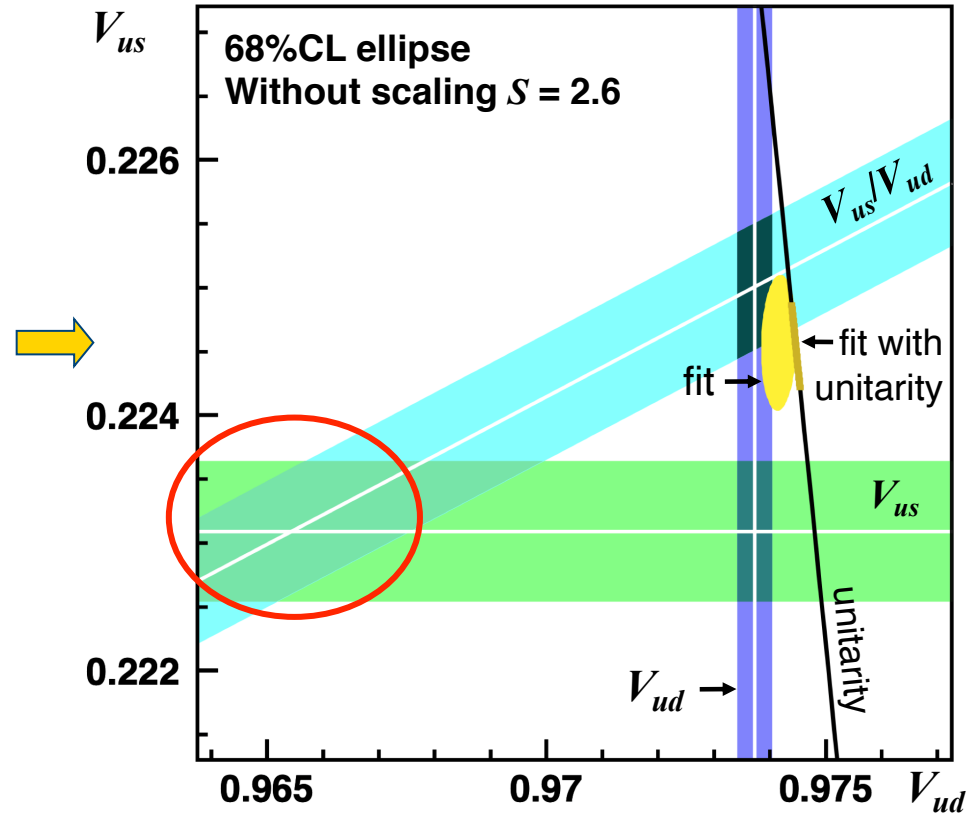
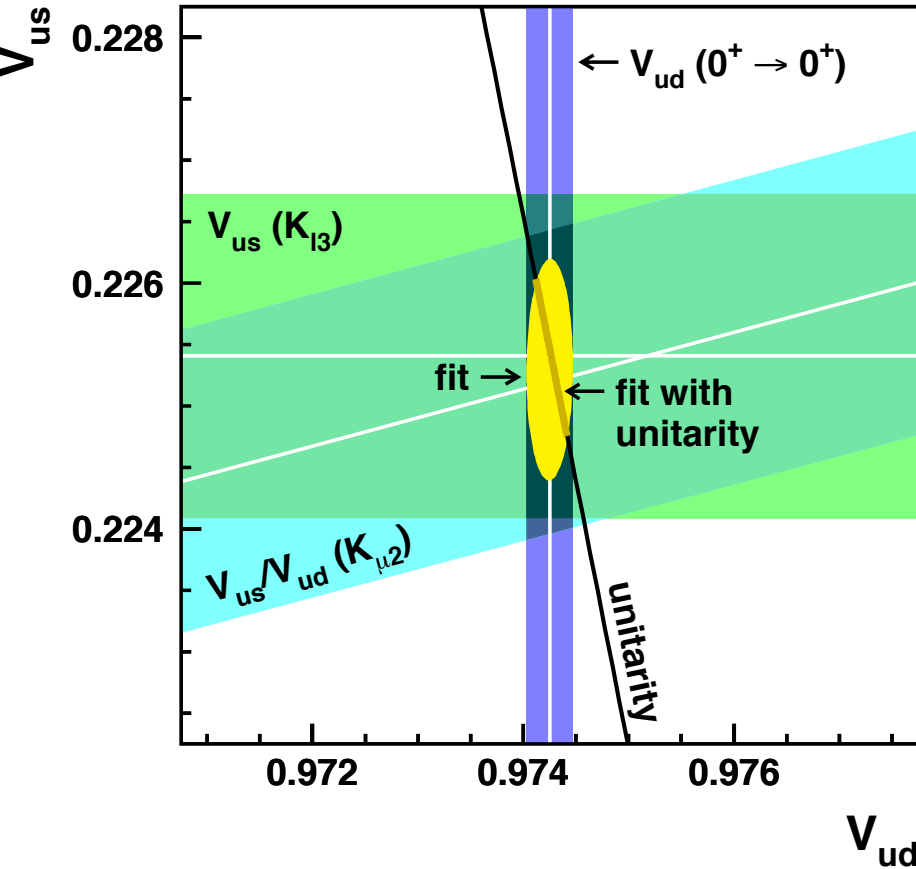
$-3.2\sigma$  away from unitarity!

$$2011: V_{us} = 0.2254(5)_{\text{exp}}(11)_{\text{lat}} \rightarrow V_{us} = 0.2231(4)_{\text{exp}}(4)_{\text{lat}}$$

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- Recent progress on radiative corrections computed on lattice:

*Giusti et al.'17, Di Carlo et al.'19, Boyle et al.'21*

➡ see talk by *Xin-Yu Tuo*

- Main hadronic input:  $f_K/f_\pi$
- In 2011:  $V_{us}/V_{ud} = 0.2312(4)_{\text{exp}}(12)_{\text{lat}}$
- In 2021:  $V_{us}/V_{ud} = 0.2311(3)_{\text{exp}}(4)_{\text{lat}}$  the lattice error is reducing by a factor of 3 compared to 2011! It is now of the same order as the experimental uncertainty.

*-1.8 $\sigma$*  away from unitarity

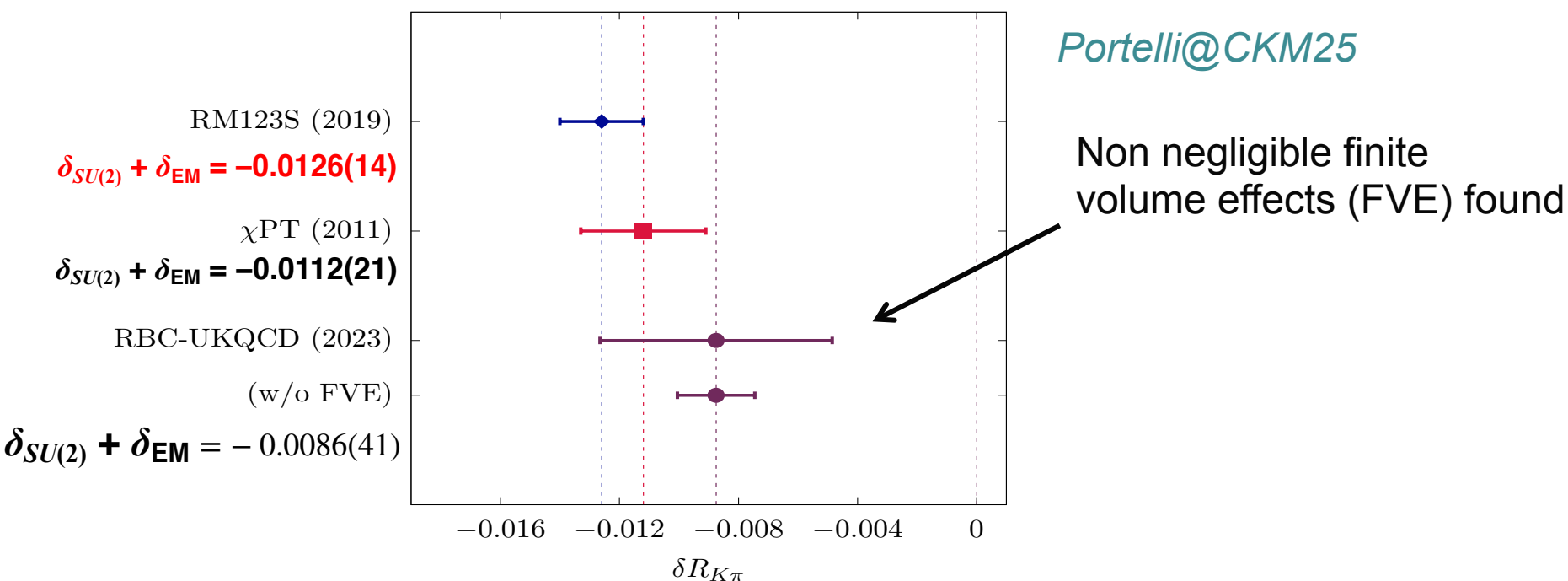
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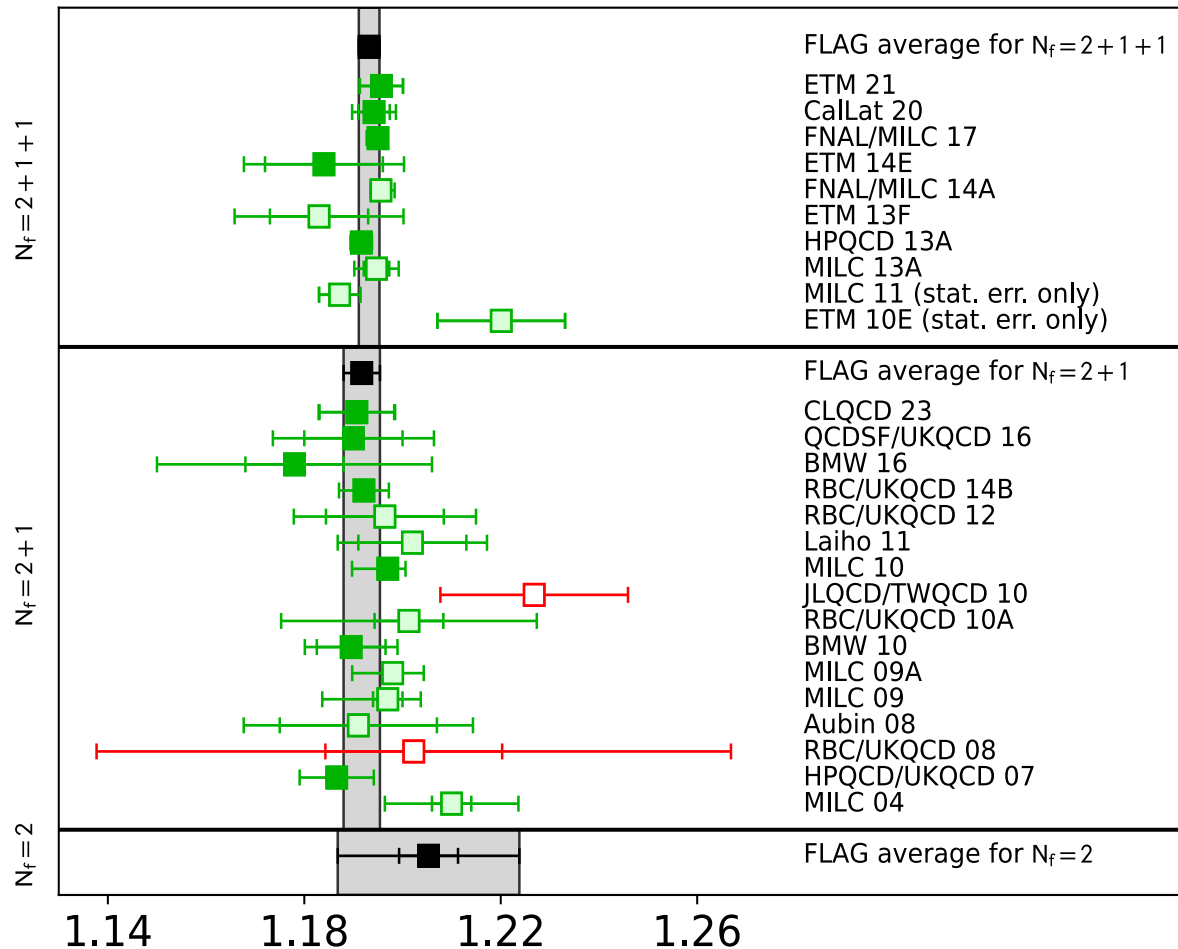


## 2.2 $f_K/f_\pi$ from lattice QCD

Progress since 2018:  new results from *ETM'21* and *CalLat'20*

FLAG2024

$f_{K^\pm}/f_{\pi^\pm}$



Now Lattice collaborations include SU(2) IB corr.

For  $N_f=2+1+1$ , FLAG2024

$$f_{K^+}/f_{\pi^+} = 1.1932(21)$$

0.18% uncertainty

Results have been stable over the years

For average subtract IB corr.

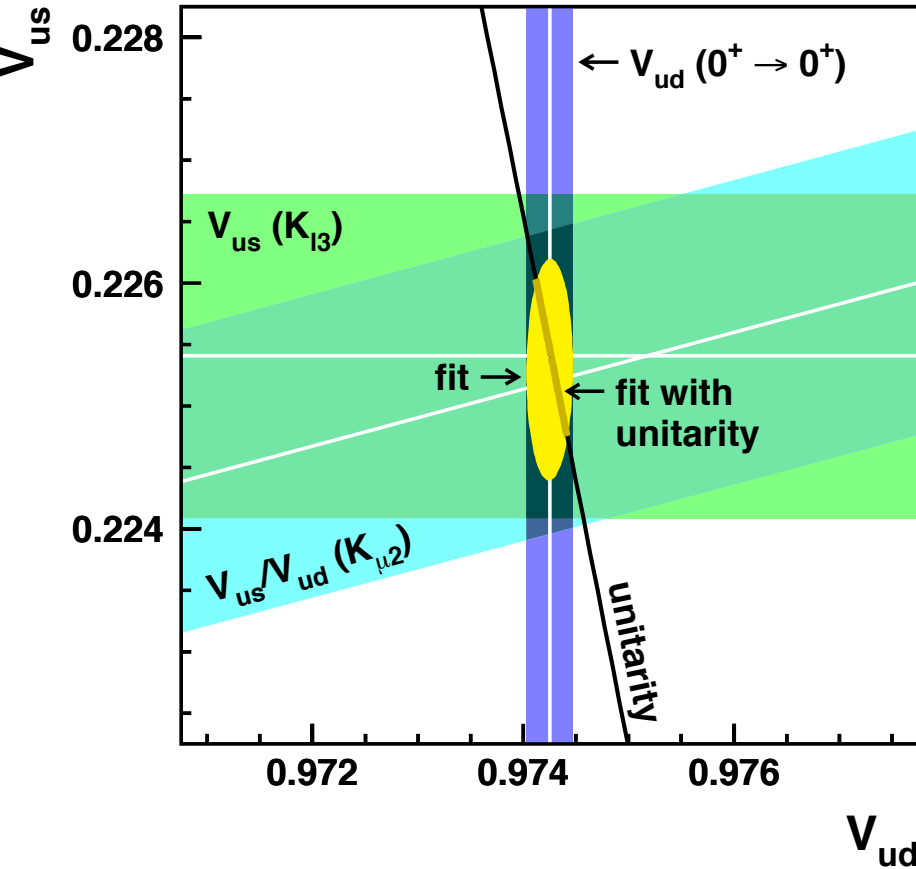
$$f_K/f_\pi = 1.1967(18)$$

In 2011:  $f_K/f_\pi = 1.193(6)$

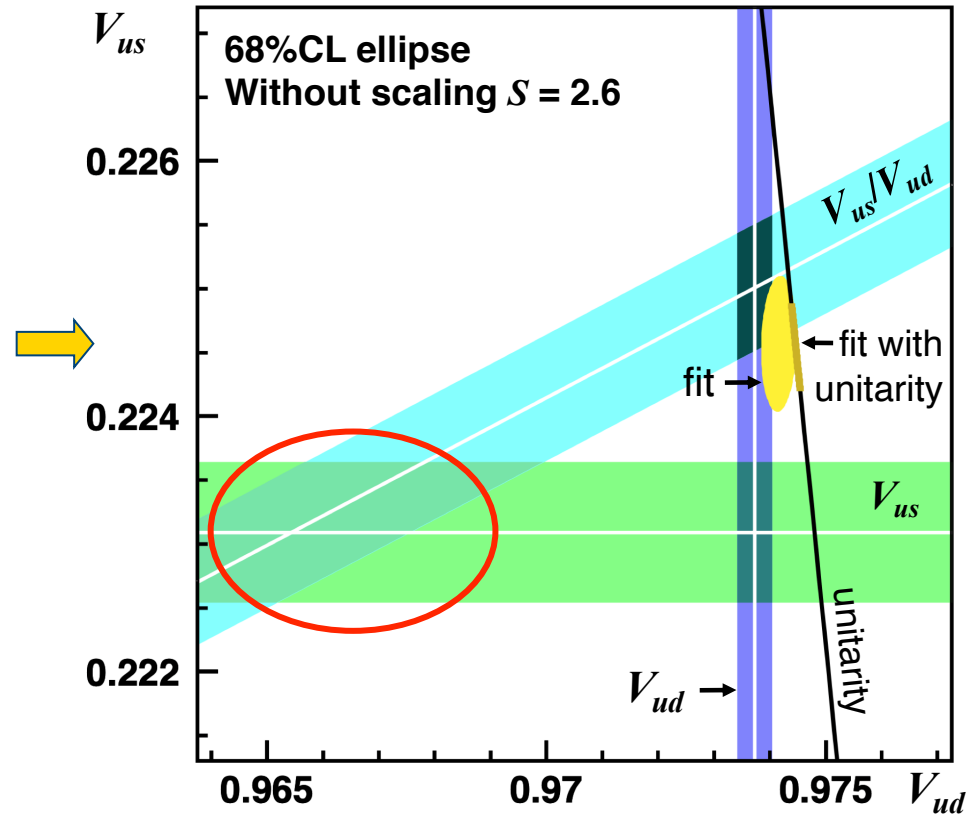
  $V_{us}/V_{ud} = 0.23108(29)_{\text{exp}}(42)_{\text{lat}}$

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### 3. Prospects

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## 3.1 Experimental Prospects for $V_{us}$

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On Kaon side

*Cirigliano et al'22*

- *NA62* could measure **several BRs**:  $K_{\mu 3}/K_{\mu 2}$ ,  $K \rightarrow 3\pi$ ,  $K_{\mu 2}/K \rightarrow \pi\pi$
- Note that the high precision measurement of  $\text{BR}(K_{\mu 2})$  (0.3%) comes only from a single experiment: KLOE. It would be good to have another measurement at the same level of accuracy

In progress !  See talk by *Victor Shang*

- *LHCb* : could measure  $\text{BR}(K_S \rightarrow \pi\mu\nu)$  at the  $< 1\%$  level?  
 $K_S \rightarrow \pi\mu\nu$  measured by KLOE-II but not competitive  
 $\tau_S$  known to 0.04% (vs 0.41% for  $\tau_L$ , 0.12% for  $\tau_{\pm}$ )

## 3.2 $V_{us}$ from Hyperon decays

$V_{us}$  can be measured from Hyperon decays:

- $\Lambda \rightarrow p e \bar{\nu}_e$  Possible measurement at *BESIII, Super  $\tau$ -Charm factory?*
- Possibilities at *LHCb*?




Channel	$\mathcal{R}$	$\epsilon_L$	$\epsilon_D$	$\sigma_L(\text{MeV}/c^2)$	$\sigma_D(\text{MeV}/c^2)$	$R = \text{ratio of production}$ $\epsilon = \text{ratio of efficiencies}$
$K_S^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	1	1.0 (1.0)	1.8 (1.8)	$\sim 3.0$	$\sim 8.0$	
$K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$	1	1.1 (0.30)	1.9 (0.91)	$\sim 2.5$	$\sim 7.0$	
$K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$	1	0.93 (0.93)	1.5 (1.5)	$\sim 35$	$\sim 45$	
$K_S^0 \rightarrow \gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$	1	0.85 (0.85)	1.4 (1.4)	$\sim 60$	$\sim 60$	
$K_S^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$	1	0.37 (0.37)	1.1 (1.1)	$\sim 1.0$	$\sim 6.0$	
$K_L^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	$\sim 1$	$2.7 (2.7) \times 10^{-3}$	0.014 (0.014)	$\sim 3.0$	$\sim 7.0$	
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	$\sim 2$	$9.0 (0.75) \times 10^{-3}$	$41 (8.6) \times 10^{-3}$	$\sim 1.0$	$\sim 4.0$	
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$	$\sim 2$	$6.3 (2.3) \times 10^{-3}$	0.030 (0.014)	$\sim 1.5$	$\sim 4.5$	
$\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p \mu^+ \mu^-$	$\sim 0.13$	0.28 (0.28)	0.64 (0.64)	$\sim 1.0$	$\sim 3.0$	
$\Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-$	$\sim 0.45$	0.41 (0.075)	1.3 (0.39)	$\sim 1.5$	$\sim 5.0$	
$\Lambda \rightarrow p \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\sim 0.45$	0.32 (0.31)	0.88 (0.86)	—	—	
$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\sim 0.04$	$39 (5.7) \times 10^{-3}$	0.27 (0.09)	—	—	
$\Xi^- \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\sim 0.03$	$24 (4.9) \times 10^{-3}$	0.21 (0.068)	—	—	
$\Xi^- \rightarrow p \pi^- \pi^-$	$\sim 0.03$	0.41 (0.05)	0.94 (0.20)	$\sim 3.0$	$\sim 9.0$	
$\Xi^0 \rightarrow p \pi^-$	$\sim 0.03$	1.0 (0.48)	2.0 (1.3)	$\sim 5.0$	$\sim 10$	
$\Omega^- \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^-$	$\sim 0.001$	$95 (6.7) \times 10^{-3}$	0.32 (0.10)	$\sim 7.0$	$\sim 20$	

- To be able to extract  $V_{us}$  one needs to compute form factors precisely

➡ Lattice effort from *RBC/UKQCD*

### 3.3 Theoretical Prospects for $V_{us}$ from Kaon and Baryon decays

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- Lattice Progress on hadronic matrix elements: decay constants, FFs: Only 1 result at per mille accuracy for  $f_+(0)$  from lattice QCD  
     It would be great to have other determinations
- Full QCD+QED decay rate on the lattice, for **Leptonic decays of kaons and pions**  Inclusion of EM and IB corrections :
  - Perturbative treatment of QED on lattice established
  - Formalism for  $K_{l2}$  worked out but non negligible finite volume effects found
- Application of the method for **semileptonic Kaon ( $K_{l3}$ ) and Baryon decays**
- Theoretical analytical program for Radiative corrections using lattice inputs  
     **Aim: Per mille level within 10 years**

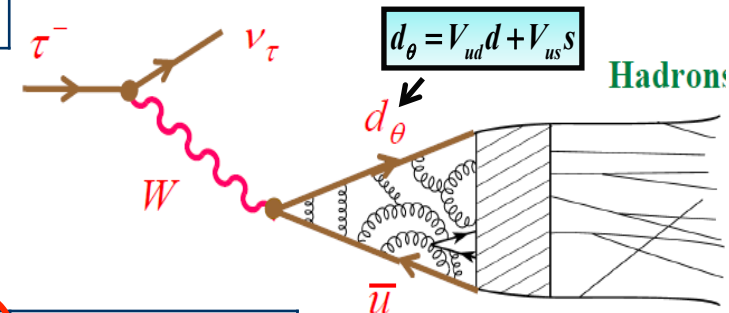
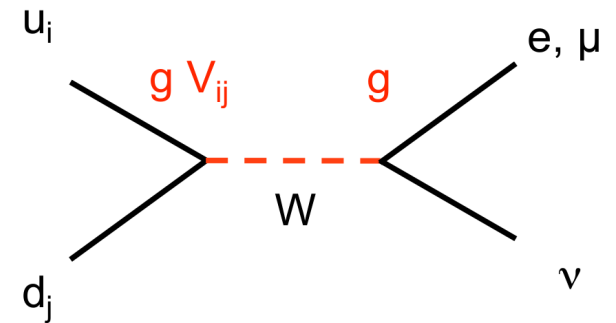
## 4. Can Tau physics help?

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# Path to $V_{ud}$ and $V_{us}$

- From kaon, pion, baryon and nuclear decays

$V_{ud}$	$0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ $\pi^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 e \nu_e$	$n \rightarrow p e \nu_e$	$\pi \rightarrow l \nu_l$
$V_{us}$	$K \rightarrow \pi l \nu_l$	$\Lambda \rightarrow p e \nu_e$	$K \rightarrow l \nu_l$



- From  $\tau$  decays (crossed channel)

$V_{ud}$	$\tau \rightarrow \pi \pi \nu_\tau$	$\tau \rightarrow \pi \nu_\tau$	$\tau \rightarrow h_{NS} \nu_\tau$
$V_{us}$	$\tau \rightarrow K \pi \nu_\tau$	$\tau \rightarrow K \nu_\tau$	$\tau \rightarrow h_S \nu_\tau$ (inclusive)

## 4.1 $V_{us}$ from $\tau \rightarrow K \nu_\tau / \tau \rightarrow \pi \nu_\tau$ decays


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$$\frac{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow K \nu[\gamma])}{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \pi \nu[\gamma])} = \frac{(1 - m_{K^\pm}^2 / m_\tau^2)}{(1 - m_{\pi^\pm}^2 / m_\tau^2)} \frac{f_K^2}{f_\pi^2} \frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} (1 + \delta_{LD})$$

- Main input hadronic input:  $f_K/f_\pi$  as for Kaon physics

From Tau physics:  $V_{us}/V_{ud} = 0.2289(18)_{\text{exp}}(4)_{\text{lat}}$  *HFLAV'23*  $-2.1\sigma$  away from unitarity

to be compared to  $V_{us}/V_{ud} = 0.2311(3)_{\text{exp}}(4)_{\text{lat}}$   Need important exp. improvement !

# Inclusive determination of $V_{us}$

- From  $\tau$  decays (crossed channel)

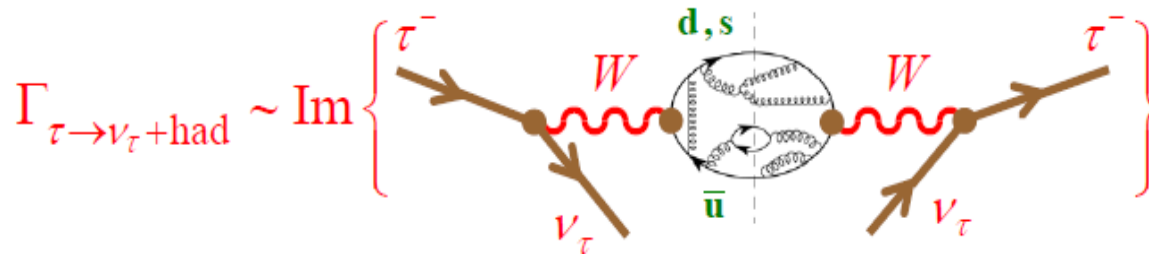
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# Inclusive $\tau$ -decays

*Braaten, Narison, Pich'92*



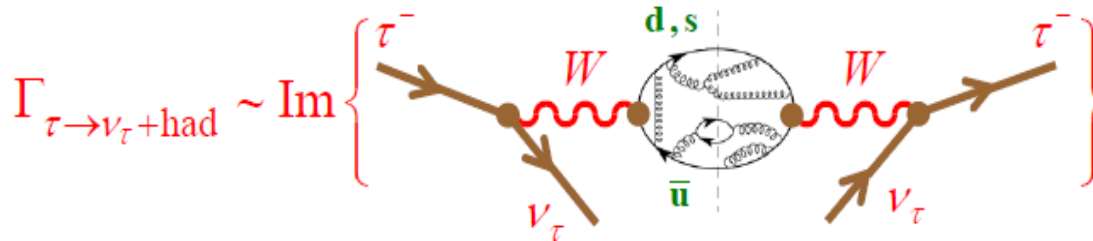
- Quantity of interest :

$$R_\tau \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{hadrons})}{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau e^- \bar{\nu}_e)}$$

## 3.2 Calculation of the QCD corrections

*Braaten, Narison, Pich'92*

- Calculation of  $R_\tau$ :



$$\Rightarrow R_\tau(m_\tau^2) = 12\pi S_{EW} \int_0^{m_\tau^2} \frac{ds}{m_\tau^2} \left(1 - \frac{s}{m_\tau^2}\right)^2 \left[ \left(1 + 2\frac{s}{m_\tau^2}\right) \text{Im} \Pi^{(1)}(s + i\epsilon) + \text{Im} \Pi^{(0)}(s + i\epsilon) \right]$$

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

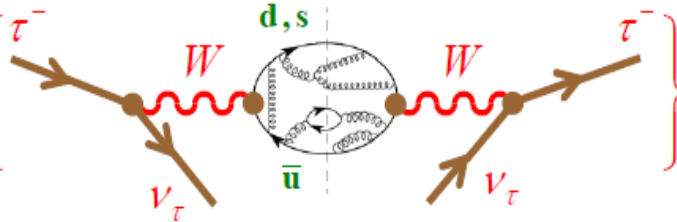
$$\Pi_{ij,V/A}^{\mu\nu}(q) = (q^\mu q^\nu - q^2 g^{\mu\nu}) \Pi_{ij,V/A}^{(1)}(q^2) + q^\mu q^\nu \Pi_{ij,V/A}^{(0)}(q^2)$$

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## 3.2 Calculation of the QCD corrections

*Braaten, Narison, Pich'92*

- Calculation of  $R_\tau$ :  $\Gamma_{\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{had}} \sim \text{Im} \left\{ \text{Diagram} \right\}$



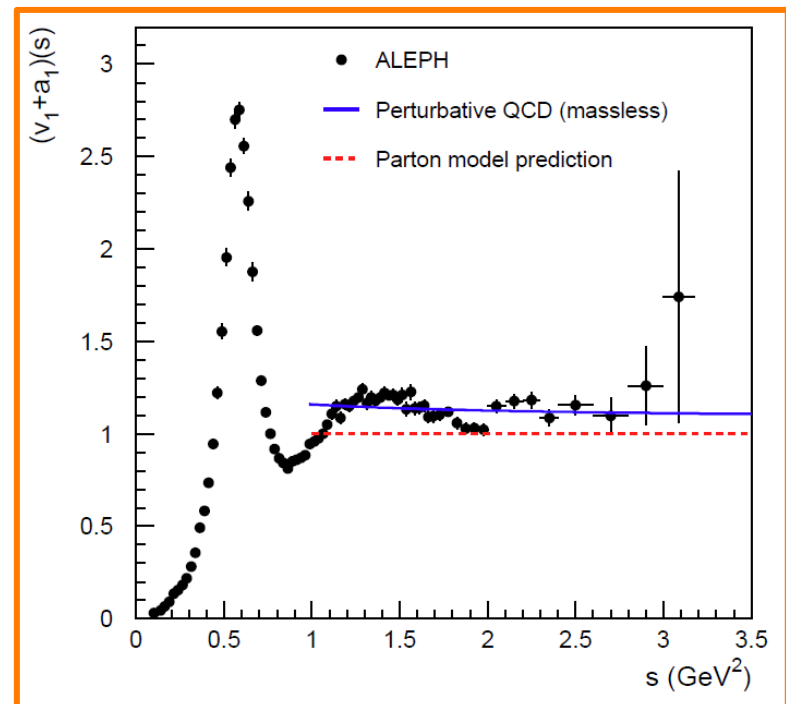
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- Spectral functions:

$$\text{Im} \Pi_{\bar{u}d, V/A}^{(1)}(s) = \frac{1}{2\pi} v_1/a_1(s)$$

- ALEPH and OPAL at LEP measured with precision not only the total BRs but also the energy distribution of the hadronic system

$\Rightarrow$  mix of non-perturbative and perturbative effects



# Measurements

- $$R_\tau \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{hadrons})}{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau e^- \bar{\nu}_e)} = ?$$

- Decomposition as a function of observed and separated final states:

$$R_\tau = R_{\tau,V} + R_{\tau,A} + R_{\tau,S}$$

$R_{\tau,V}$   $\Rightarrow$

$$\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + h_{\nu,s=0}$$

(even number of pions)

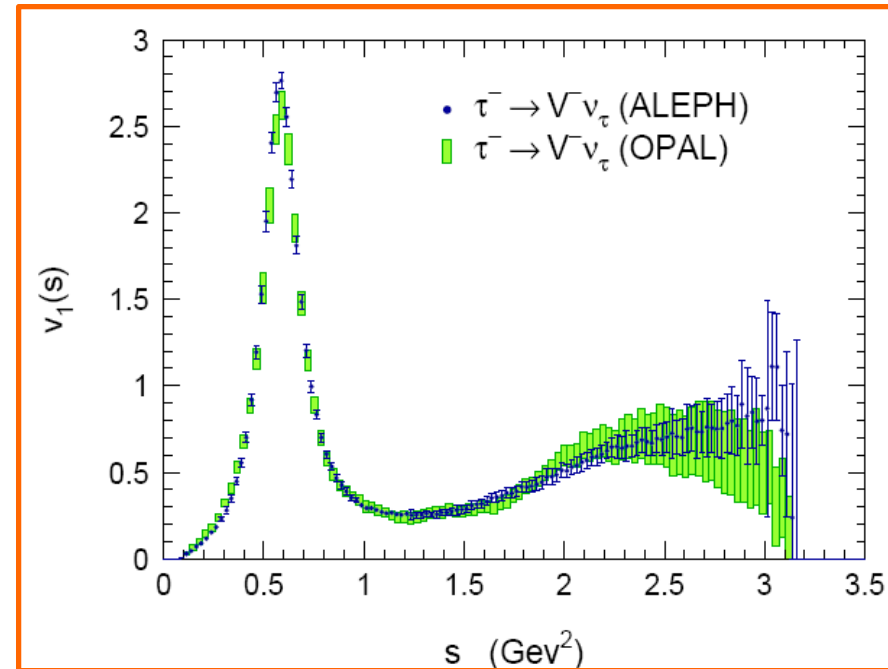
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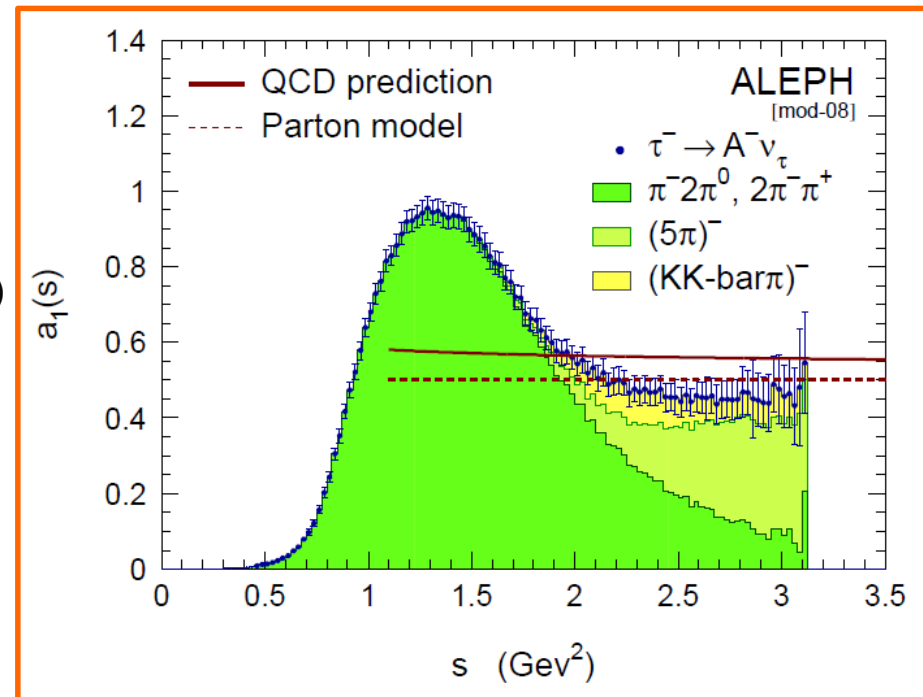
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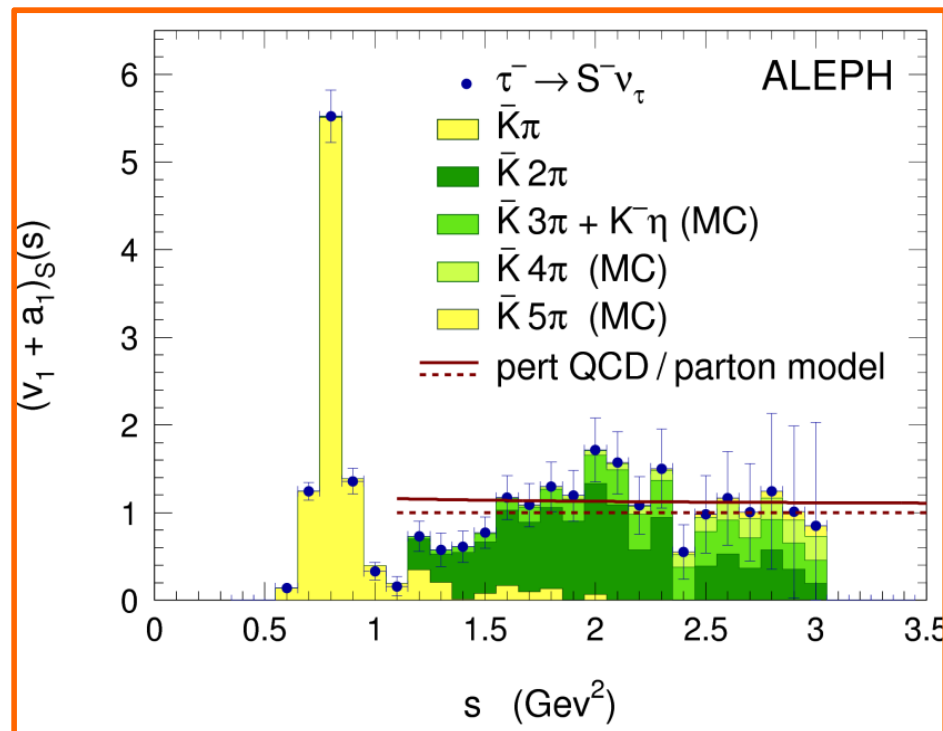
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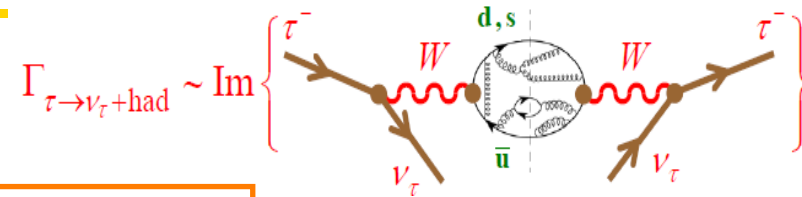
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*Braaten, Narison, Pich'92*

- Analyticity:  $\Pi$  is analytic in the entire complex plane except for  $s$  real positive

➡ Cauchy Theorem

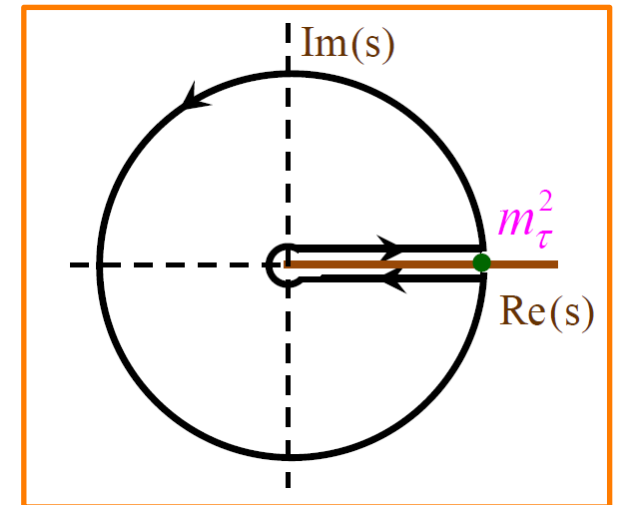
$$R_\tau(m_\tau^2) = 6i\pi S_{EW} \oint_{|s|=m_\tau^2} \frac{ds}{m_\tau^2} \left(1 - \frac{s}{m_\tau^2}\right)^2 \left[ \left(1 + 2\frac{s}{m_\tau^2}\right) \Pi^{(1)}(s) + \Pi^{(0)}(s) \right]$$

- We are now at sufficient energy to use OPE:

$$\Pi^{(J)}(s) = \sum_{D=0,2,4,\dots} \frac{1}{(-s)^{D/2}} \sum_{\dim O=D} C^{(J)}(s, \mu) \langle O_D(\mu) \rangle$$

Wilson coefficients

Operators



$\mu$ : separation scale between short and long distances

### 3.3 Operator Product Expansion


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Wilson coefficients

Operators

$\mu$  separation scale  
between short and  
long distances

- D=0: Perturbative contributions
- D=2: Quark mass corrections
- D=4: Non perturbative physics operators,  $\left\langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} GG \right\rangle$ ,  $\left\langle m_j \bar{q}_i q_i \right\rangle$
- D=6: 4 quarks operators,  $\left\langle \bar{q}_i \Gamma_1 q_j \bar{q}_j \Gamma_2 q_i \right\rangle$
- D $\geq$ 8: Neglected terms, supposed to be small...



$$R_{\tau,V}(s_0) = \frac{3}{2} |V^{ud}|^2 S_{EW} \left( 1 + \delta^{(0)} + \sum_{D=2,4,\dots} \delta_{ud,V}^{(D)} \right)$$
 similar for  $R_{\tau,A}(s_0)$  and  $R_{\tau,S}(s_0)$



# Perturbative Part

*Braaten, Narison, Pich'92*

- Calculation of  $R_\tau$ :

$$R_\tau(m_\tau^2) = N_C S_{EW} (1 + \delta_P + \delta_{NP})$$

- Electroweak corrections:  $S_{EW} = 1.0201(3)$  *Marciano & Sirlin'88, Braaten & Li'90, Erler'04*
- Perturbative part (D=0):

$$a_\tau = \frac{\alpha_s(m_\tau)}{\pi}$$

$$\delta_P = a_\tau + 5.20 a_\tau^2 + 26 a_\tau^3 + 127 a_\tau^4 + \dots \approx 20\%$$

*Baikov, Chetyrkin, Kühn'08*

# Non-perturbative part

*Braaten, Narison, Pich'92*

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*Baikov, Chetyrkin, Kühn'08*

- D=2: quark mass corrections, *neglected* for  $R_\tau^{NS}$  ( $\propto m_u, m_d$ ) but not for  $R_\tau^S$  ( $\propto m_s$ )
- D ≥ 4: Non perturbative part, not known, *fitted from the data*  
 Use of weighted distributions

Ex: In the non-strange sector:

$$\delta_{NP}^{NS} = -0.0064(13)$$

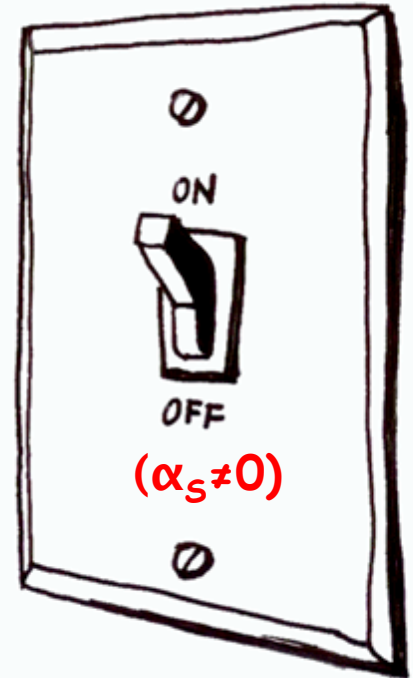
*Davier et al.'14*

# Inclusive determination of $V_{us}$

- With QCD on:  $\frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} = \frac{R_\tau^S}{R_\tau^{NS}} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$

$$R_\tau \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{hadrons})}{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau e^- \bar{\nu}_e)}$$

**QCD switch**



- Use OPE:  $R_\tau^{NS}(m_\tau^2) = N_C S_{EW} |V_{ud}|^2 (1 + \delta_P + \delta_{NP}^{ud})$

$$R_\tau^S(m_\tau^2) = N_C S_{EW} |V_{us}|^2 (1 + \delta_P + \delta_{NP}^{us})$$

- $\delta R_\tau \equiv \frac{R_{\tau,NS}}{|V_{ud}|^2} - \frac{R_{\tau,S}}{|V_{us}|^2}$

*SU(3) breaking* quantity, strong dependence in  $m_s$  computed from OPE (L+T) + phenomenology

$$\delta R_{\tau,th} = 0.0238(33) \quad \text{Gamiz et al'07, Maltman'11}$$

$$|V_{us}|^2 = \frac{R_{\tau,S}}{\frac{R_{\tau,NS}}{|V_{ud}|^2} - \delta R_{\tau,th}}$$

*HFLAV'23*

$$R_{\tau,S} = 0.1615(28)$$

$$R_{\tau,NS} = 3.4650(84)$$

$$|V_{ud}| = 0.97373(32)$$



$$|V_{us}| = 0.2184 \pm 0.0018_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0010_{\text{th}}$$

**-3.7σ** away from unitarity!

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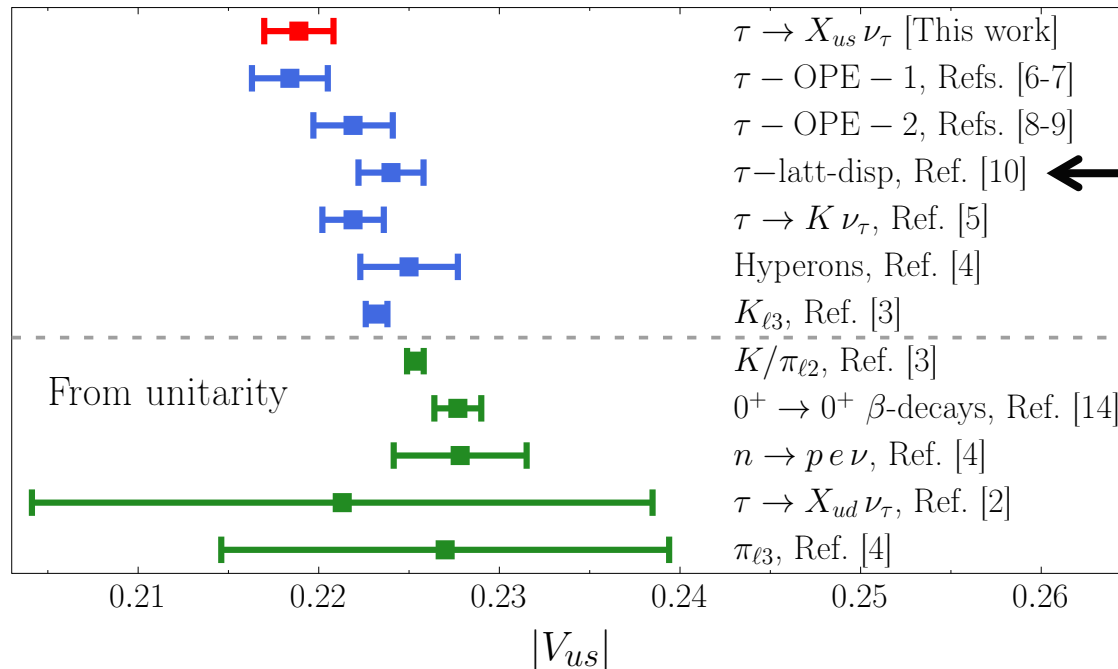
# Inclusive determination of $V_{us}$

- See recent lattice work by *ETMC'24*

*Gagliardi@Tau25*

$$R_{us}^\tau / |V_{us}|^2 = 3.407 \text{ (22)}$$

[0.6% uncertainty]



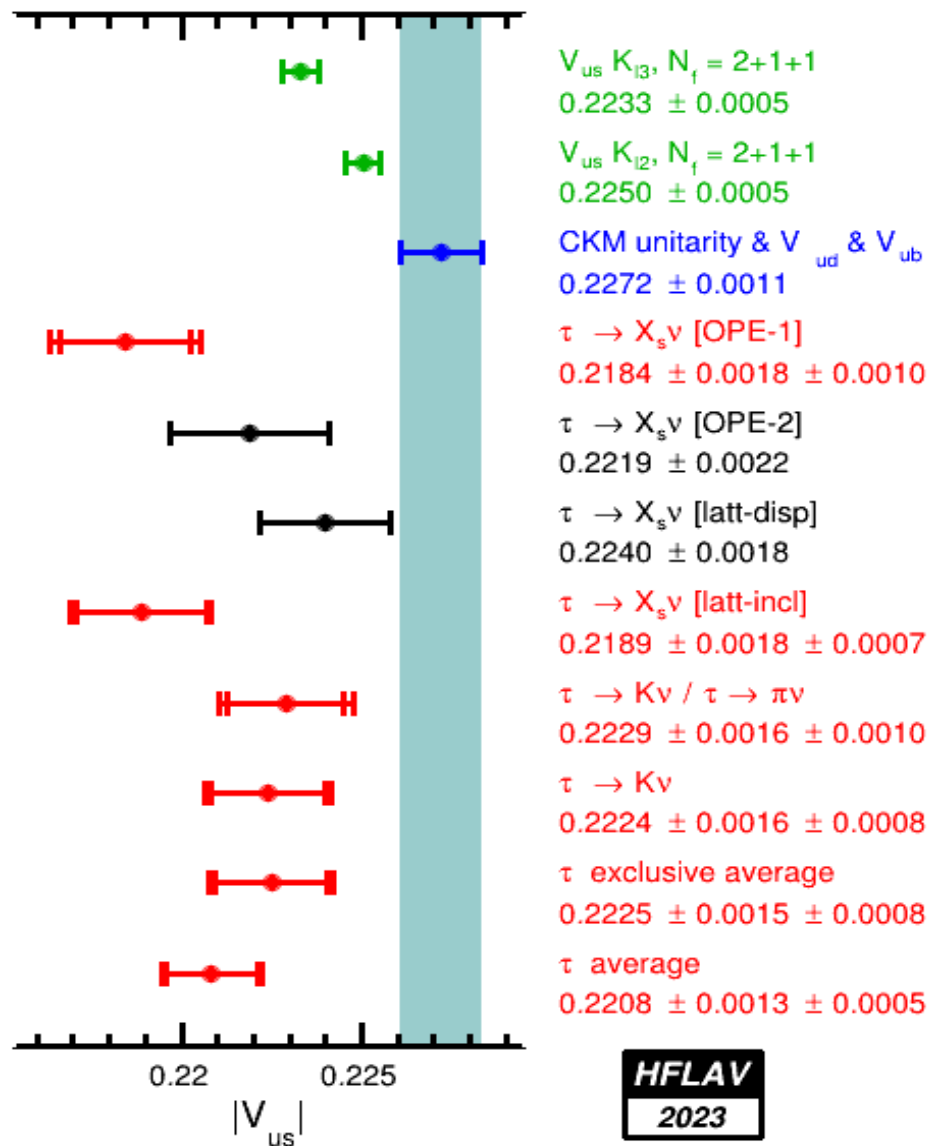
*RBC-UKQCD'18*



$$|V_{us}|_{\tau-\text{latt-incl}} = 0.2189(7)_{\text{th}}(18)_{\text{exp}}$$

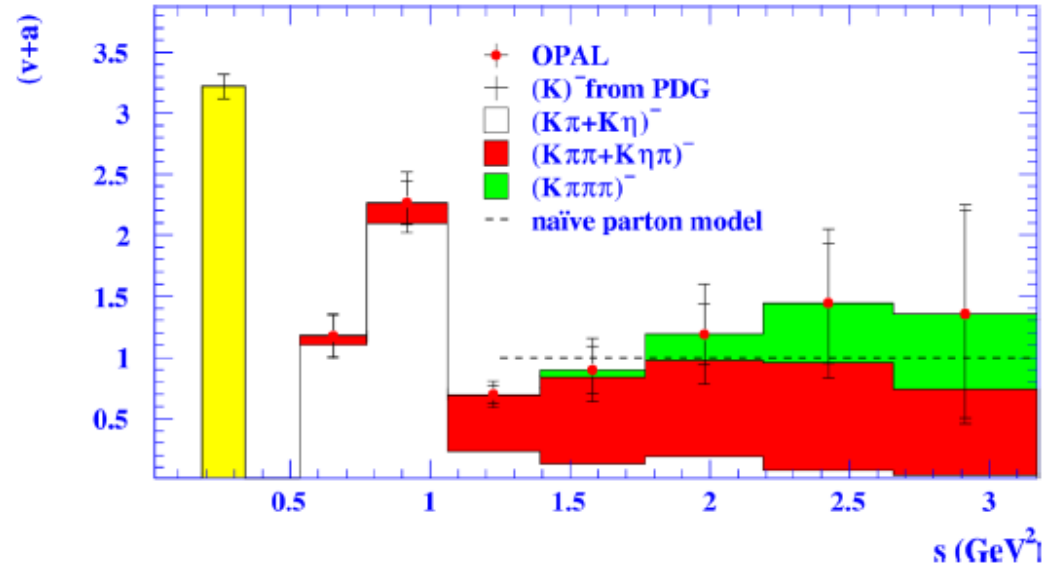
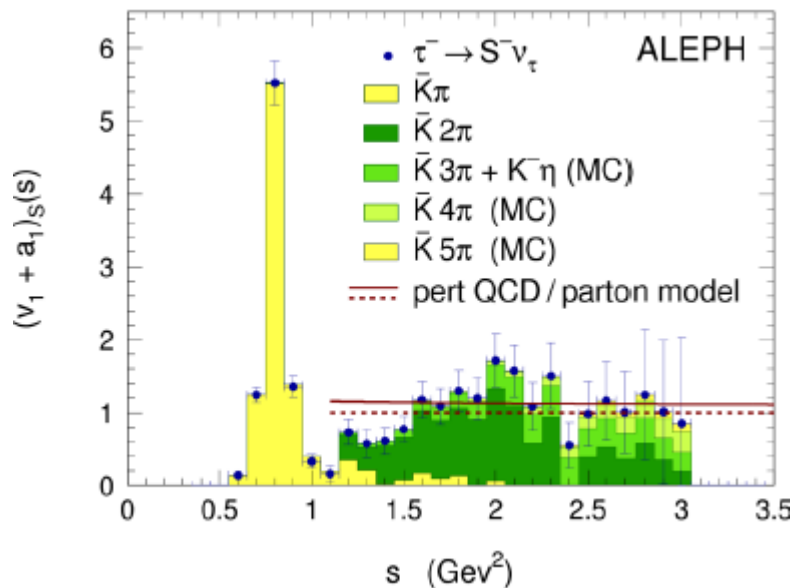
- Aim: Reach per mile level precision on  $R_{us}/V_{us}$

### 3.4 $V_{us}$ : summary



## 3.4 Prospects : $\tau$ strange Spectral functions

- Experimental measurements of the strange spectral functions not very precise



➡ New measurements are needed !

- Before B-factories
- With B-factories new measurements :

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

$$R_{\tau}^S|_{\text{old}} = 0.1686(47)$$



$$R_{\tau}^S|_{\text{new}} = 0.1615(28)$$

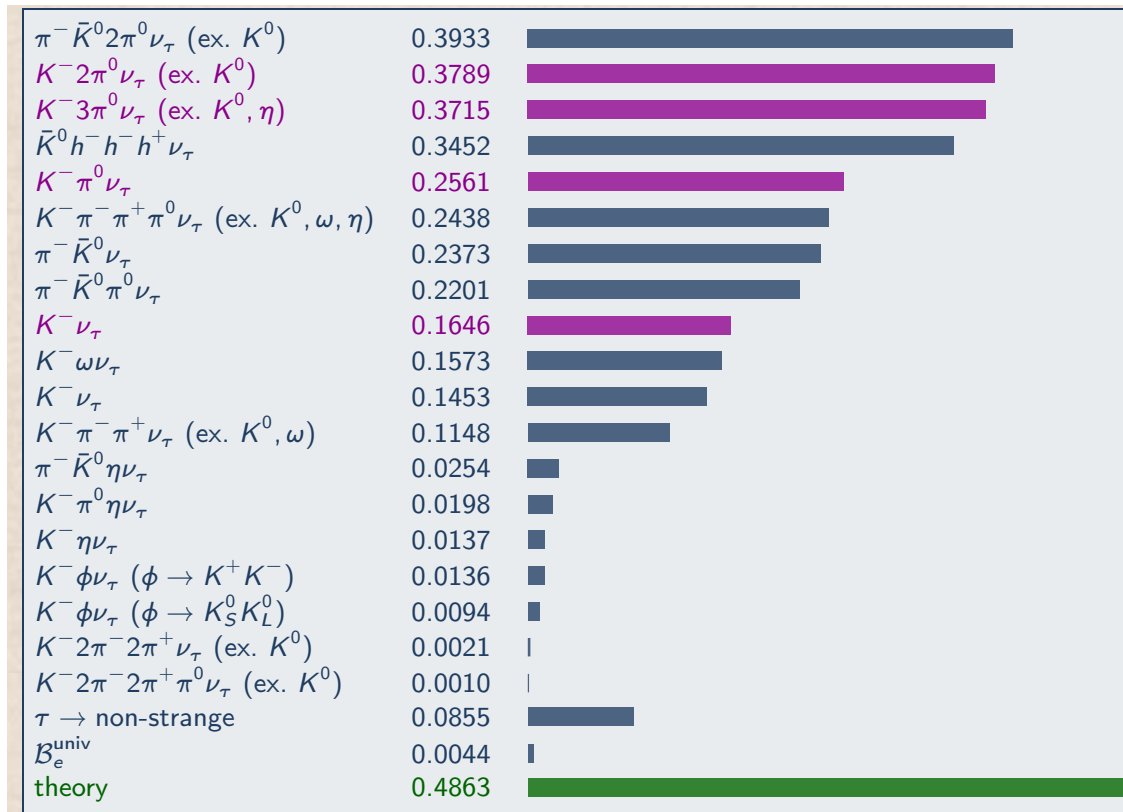
$$|V_{us}|_{\text{old}} = 0.2214 \pm 0.0031_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0010_{\text{th}}$$



$$|V_{us}|_{\text{new}} = 0.2176 \pm 0.0019_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0010_{\text{th}}$$

### 3.4 Prospects : $\tau$ strange BRs

- Very interesting quantity to extract  $V_{us}$ : QCD part completely independent from form factors or decay constants  $\Rightarrow$  Use OPE
- Experimentally very challenging since all BRs need to be measured



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*Belle II @ 50 ab<sup>-1</sup> +  
Creativity from  
young physicists*



## 5. Conclusion and Outlook

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# Conclusion and Outlook

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- Recent precision determinations of  $V_{us}$  and  $V_{ud}$  enable unprecedented tests of the SM and constraints on possible NP models
- Tensions in unitarity of 1<sup>st</sup> row of CKM matrix have reappeared!
- We need to work hard to understand where they come from:
  - On experimental side:  
For  $V_{us}$ , new measurements in kaons (*NA62*:  $K_{\mu 3}/K_{\mu 2}$ , *LHCb*?)  
and in tau decays from *Belle II*  
 $V_{us}$  from hyperon decays?  *BESIII*, *LHCb*?
  - On theory side:  
Calculate very precisely radiative corrections, isospin breaking effects and matrix elements  
Be sure that the uncertainties are under control
  - If these tensions are confirmed  what do they tell us?
- Interesting time ahead of us!

## 6. Back-up

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# Electromagnetic and isospin breaking corrections

- Master formula for

$$\Gamma(K \rightarrow \pi l \nu [\gamma]) = \frac{Br(K_{l3})}{\tau} C_K^2 \frac{G_F^2 m_K^5}{192 \pi^3} S_{EW}^K |V_{us}|^2 |f_+^{K^0 \pi^-}(0)|^2 I_{KI} \left(1 + 2\Delta_{EM}^{KI} + 2\Delta_{SU(2)}^{K\pi}\right)$$

- Short distance electroweak correction *Sirlin'82*

$$S_{ew} = 1 + \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right) \log \frac{m_Z}{m_\rho} + O\left(\frac{\alpha\alpha_s}{\pi^2}\right) \Rightarrow S_{ew} = 1.0232(3)$$

*Cirigliano, Giannotti, Neufeld'08*

- Long distance EM corrections:  $\Delta_{EM}^{K\ell}$  Computed in ChPT at  $O(p^2 e^2)$

- Isospin breaking :  $\Delta_{SU(2)}^{K\pi} = \frac{f_+^{K^+ \pi^0}(0)}{f_+^{K^0 \pi^-}(0)} - 1$  *Gasser & Leutwyler'85*  $\left[\hat{m} \equiv \frac{m_d + m_u}{2}\right]$

Computed in ChPT at  $O(p^4)$ :  $\Delta_{SU(2)}^{K\pi} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{Q^2} \left[ \frac{\overline{M}_K^2}{\overline{M}_\pi^2} + \frac{\chi_{p^4}}{2} \left(1 + \frac{m_s}{\hat{m}}\right) \right] = 2.61(17)\%$

Inputs from lattice QCD and from  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$  analysis for Q

$$Q^2 \equiv \frac{m_s^2 - \hat{m}^2}{m_d^2 - m_u^2}$$

# 1.1 Test of the Standard Model: $V_{us}$ and CKM unitarity

- Extraction of the Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix element  $V_{us}$ 
  - Fundamental parameter of the Standard Model

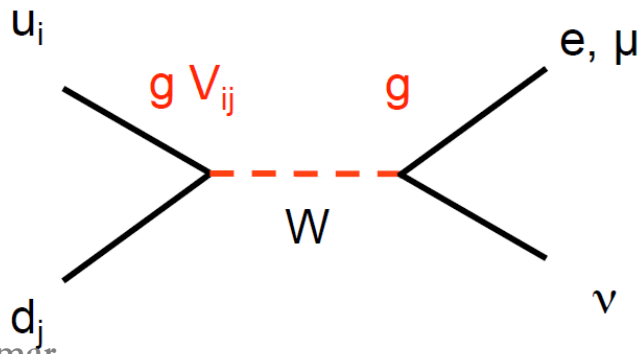
Description of the **weak interactions**:

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*Gauge coupling*

- Universality: Is  $G_F$  from  $\mu$  decay equals to  $G_F$  from  $\pi$ , K, nuclear  $\beta$  decay?

$$G_{\mu}^2 = (g_{\mu} g_e)^2 / M_W^4 \stackrel{?}{=} G_{CKM}^2 = (g_q g_{\ell})^2 (|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2) / M_W^4$$



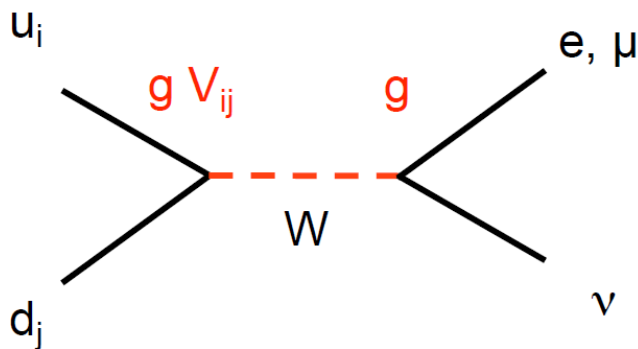
## 1.2 Constraining New Physics

- Extraction of the Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix element  $V_{us}$ 
  - Fundamental parameter of the Standard Model

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- Look for **new physics**
  - In the Standard Model : W exchange ➡ only V-A structure



## 2.3 $V_{us}/V_{ud}$ from $K_{12}/\pi_{12}$

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$$\frac{|V_{us}|}{|V_{ud}|} \frac{f_K}{f_\pi} = \left( \frac{\Gamma_{K\mu 2(\gamma)} m_{\pi^\pm}}{\Gamma_{\pi\mu 2(\gamma)} m_{K^\pm}} \right)^{1/2} \frac{1 - m_\mu^2/m_{\pi^\pm}^2}{1 - m_\mu^2/m_{K^\pm}^2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{\text{EM}} - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{SU(2)} \right)$$

- Recent progress on radiative corrections computed on lattice:

### First lattice calculation of EM corrections to $P_{12}$ decays

- Ensembles from ETM
- $N_f = 2+1+1$  Twisted-mass Wilson fermions

*Giusti et al.'18*

$$\delta_{SU(2)} + \delta_{\text{EM}} = -0.0122(16)$$

- Uncertainty from quenched QED included (0.0006)

Compare to ChPT result from Cirigliano, Neufeld '11:

$$\delta_{SU(2)} + \delta_{\text{EM}} = -0.0112(21)$$

Update, extended description, and systematics of Giusti et al.

$$\delta_{SU(2)} + \delta_{\text{EM}} = -0.0126(14)$$

*Di Carlo et al.'19*

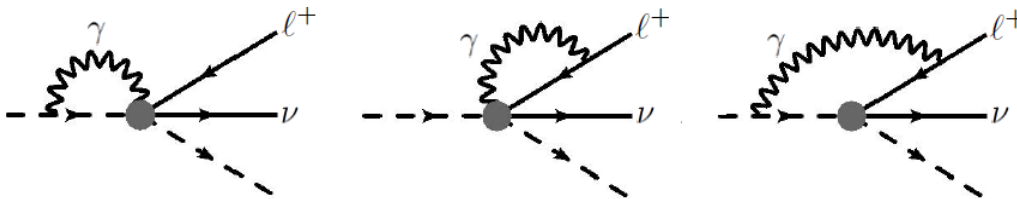
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**KLOE-2**  
PLB 804 (2020)



Up to now computation at fixed order  $e^2 p^2$  + model estimate for the LECs

*Cirigliano et al. '08*

New calculation of complete EW RC using hybrid current algebra and ChPT (Sirlin's representation) with resummation of largest terms to all chiral orders

- Reduced uncertainties at  $O(e^2 p^4)$
- Lattice evaluation of QCD contributions to  $\gamma W$  box diagrams

*Seng et al. '21*

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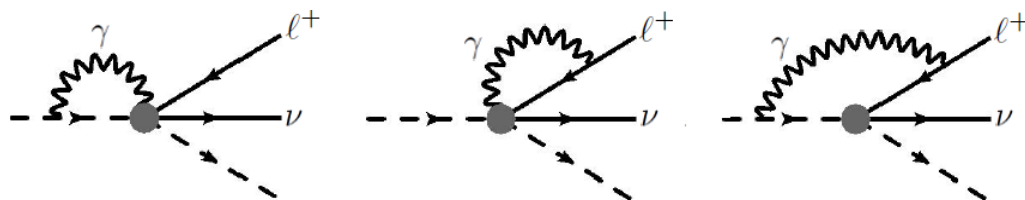
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Only  $K_{e3}$  at present

For  $K_{\mu3}$  modes  
continue to use

Cirigliano et al. '08

	Cirigliano et al. '08	Seng et al. '21
$\Delta^{\text{EM}}(K^0_{e3})$ [%]	$0.50 \pm 0.11$	<b><math>0.580 \pm 0.016</math></b>
$\Delta^{\text{EM}}(K^+_{e3})$ [%]	$0.05 \pm 0.13$	<b><math>0.105 \pm 0.024</math></b>
$\rho$	$+0.081$	<b><math>-0.039</math></b>



## 2.1 $V_{us}$ from $K_{l3}$

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Progress since 2018:

- Theoretical progress on isospin breaking correction

$$\Delta^{SU(2)} \equiv \frac{f_+(0)^{K^+\pi^0}}{f_+(0)^{K^0\pi^-}} - 1$$

**Strong isospin breaking**  
Quark mass differences,  $\eta$ - $\pi^0$  mixing in  $K^+\pi^0$  channel

$$= \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{Q^2} \left[ \frac{\overline{M}_K^2}{\overline{M}_\pi^2} + \frac{\chi_{p^4}}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{m_s}{\hat{m}} \right) \right] \quad Q^2 = \frac{m_s^2 - \hat{m}^2}{m_d^2 - m_u^2} \quad \chi_p^4 = 0.252$$

NLO in strong interaction  
 $O(e^2 p^2)$  term  $\varepsilon_{EM}^{(4)} \sim 10^{-6}$

Cirigliano et al., '02; Gasser & Leutwyler, '85

= **+2.61(17)%** Calculated using:

$$Q = 22.1(7)$$

Colangelo et al. '18, avg. from  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$

$$m_s/\hat{m} = 27.23(10)$$

FLAG '20,  $N_f = 2+1+1$  avg.

$$M_K = 494.2(3)$$

$$M_\pi = 134.8(3)$$

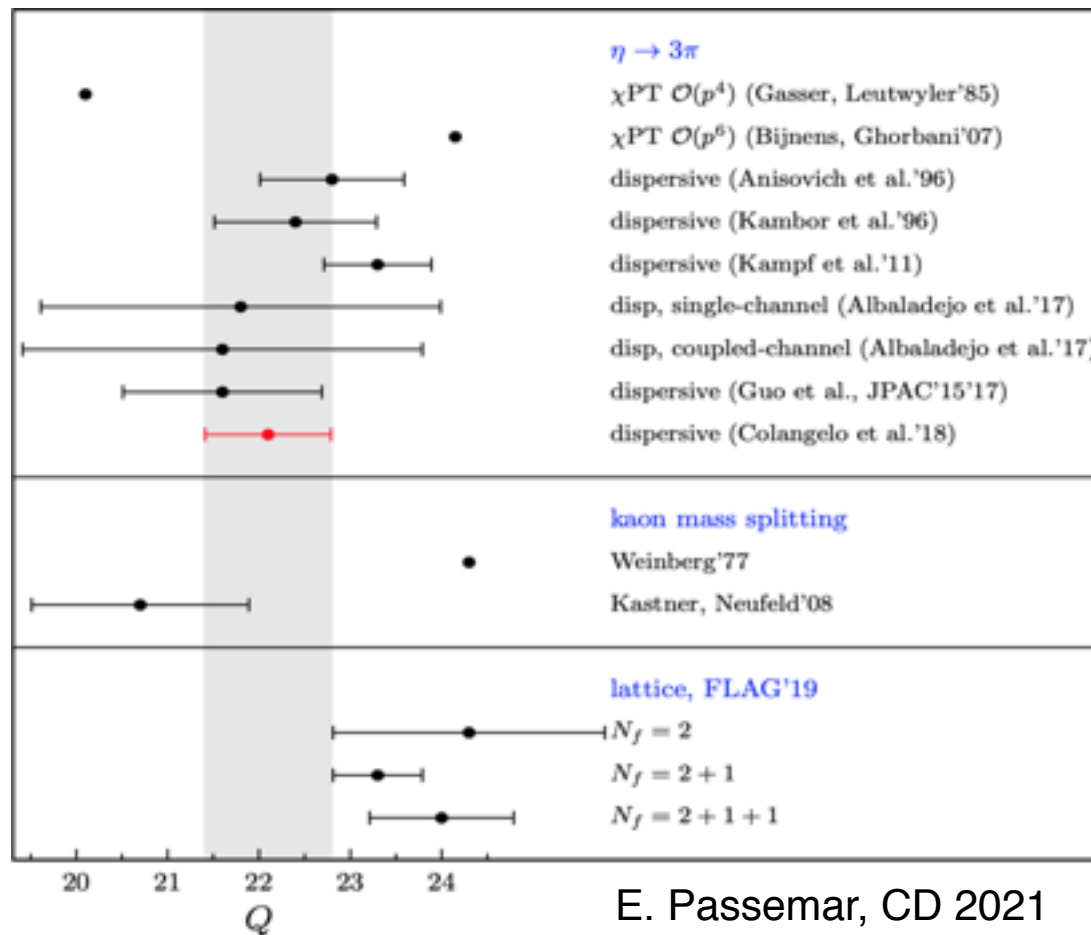
Isospin-limit meson masses from FLAG '17

Test by evaluating  $V_{us}$  from  $K^\pm$  and  $K^0$  data with **no** corrections:  
Equality of  $V_{us}$  values would require  $\Delta^{SU(2)} = \mathbf{2.86(34)\%}$

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Previous to recent results for  $Q$ , uncertainty on  $\Delta^{SU(2)}$  was leading contributor to uncertainty on  $V_{us}$  from  $K^\pm$  decays



E. Passemar, CD 2021

**Reference value of  $Q$  from dispersion relation analyses of  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$  Dalitz plots**

Colangelo et al., '18

$$Q = 22.1 \pm 0.7$$

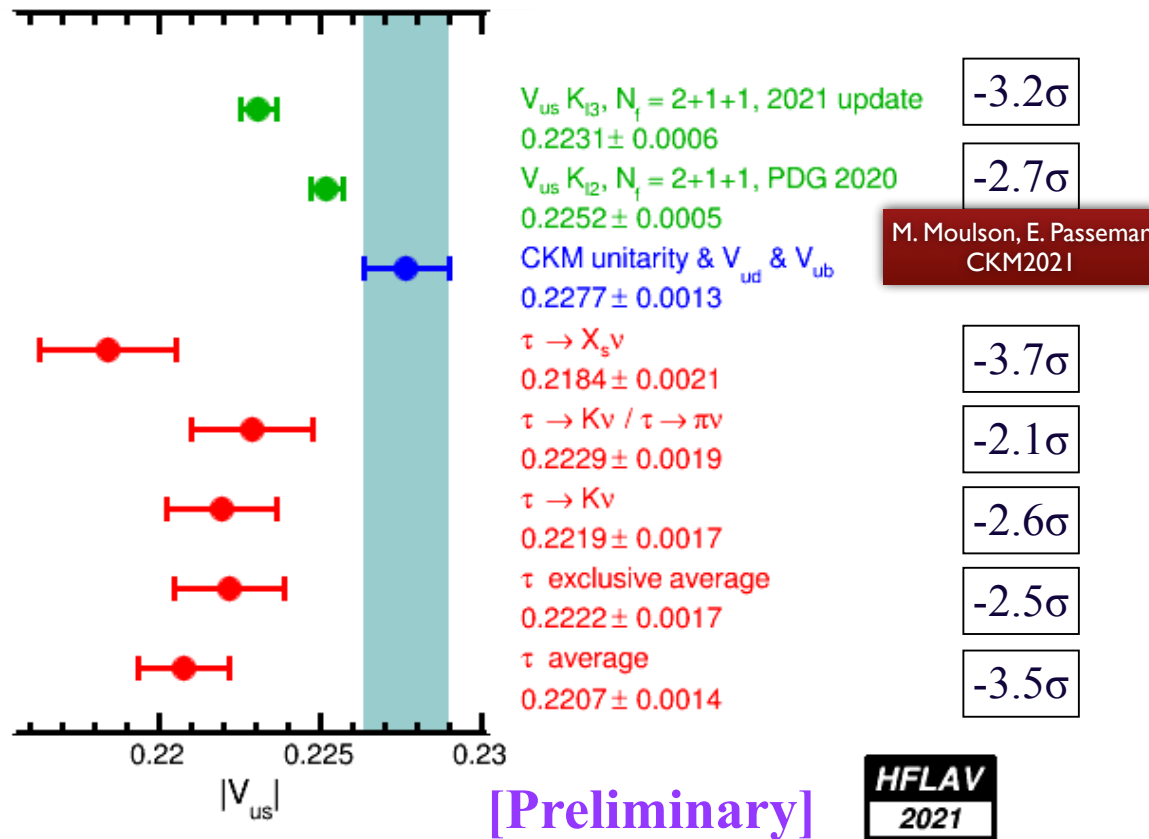
**Lattice results for  $Q$  somewhat higher than analytical results**

But, lattice results have finite correction to LO expectation:

$$Q_M^2 \equiv \frac{\hat{M}_K^2}{\hat{M}_\pi^2} \frac{\hat{M}_K^2 - \hat{M}_\pi^2}{\hat{M}_{K^0}^2 - \hat{M}_{K^+}^2}$$

Low-energy theorem:  $Q$  has no correction at NLO

# $V_{us}$ from Tau decays



- Belle II with  $50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  and  $\sim 4.6 \times 10^{10}$   $\tau$  pairs will improve  $V_{us}$  extraction
- Inclusive measurement is an opportunity to have a complete independent measurement of  $V_{us}$   $\rightarrow$  not easy as you have to measure many channels

# $V_{us}$ from Tau decays

13: HFLAV 2021  $\tau$  branching fractions to strange final states.

Branching fraction	HFLAV 2021 fit (%)
$K^- \nu_\tau$	$0.6957 \pm 0.0096$
$K^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	$0.4322 \pm 0.0148$
$K^- 2\pi^0 \nu_\tau$ (ex. $K^0$ )	$0.0634 \pm 0.0219$
$K^- 3\pi^0 \nu_\tau$ (ex. $K^0, \eta$ )	$0.0465 \pm 0.0213$
$\pi^- \bar{K}^0 \nu_\tau$	$0.8375 \pm 0.0139$
$\pi^- \bar{K}^0 \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	$0.3810 \pm 0.0129$
$\pi^- \bar{K}^0 2\pi^0 \nu_\tau$ (ex. $K^0$ )	$0.0234 \pm 0.0231$
$\bar{K}^0 h^- h^- h^+ \nu_\tau$	$0.0222 \pm 0.0202$
$K^- \eta \nu_\tau$	$0.0155 \pm 0.0008$
$K^- \pi^0 \eta \nu_\tau$	$0.0048 \pm 0.0012$
$\pi^- \bar{K}^0 \eta \nu_\tau$	$0.0094 \pm 0.0015$
$K^- \omega \nu_\tau$	$0.0410 \pm 0.0092$
$K^- \phi(K^+ K^-) \nu_\tau$	$0.0022 \pm 0.0008$
$K^- \phi(K_S^0 K_L^0) \nu_\tau$	$0.0015 \pm 0.0006$
$K^- \pi^- \pi^+ \nu_\tau$ (ex. $K^0, \omega$ )	$0.2924 \pm 0.0068$
$K^- \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^0 \nu_\tau$ (ex. $K^0, \omega, \eta$ )	$0.0387 \pm 0.0142$
$K^- 2\pi^- 2\pi^+ \nu_\tau$ (ex. $K^0$ )	$0.0001 \pm 0.0001$
$K^- 2\pi^- 2\pi^+ \pi^0 \nu_\tau$ (ex. $K^0$ )	$0.0001 \pm 0.0001$
$X_s^- \nu_\tau$	$2.9076 \pm 0.0478$

HFLAV'21

$$R_\tau \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{hadrons})}{\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau e^- \bar{\nu}_e)} \approx N_c$$

parton model prediction

$$\delta R_\tau \equiv \frac{R_{\tau,NS}}{|V_{ud}|^2} - \frac{R_{\tau,S}}{|V_{us}|^2}$$

**$SU(3)$  breaking** quantity, strong dependence in  $m_s$  computed from OPE (L+T) + phenomenology

$$\delta R_{\tau,th} = 0.0242(32)$$

*Gamiz et al'07, Maltman'11*

$$|V_{us}|^2 = \frac{R_{\tau,S}}{\frac{R_{\tau,NS}}{|V_{ud}|^2} - \delta R_{\tau,th}}$$

**$2.9\sigma$**  away from unitarity!



$$|V_{us}| = 0.2184 \pm \mathbf{0.0018}_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0011_{\text{th}}$$