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Heavy Flavor Physics

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Outline

- Introduction and Motivation
- How do we make theoretical predictions?
- How well can we calculate?
- Conclusions

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Motivation: high scales

- Flavor physics allows access to new physics at scales beyond reach of current colliders
- E.g. $K - \bar{K}$ mixing, $B - \bar{B}$ mixing probe scales above hundreds of TeV
- See Jure Zupan's Pheno 2019 talk

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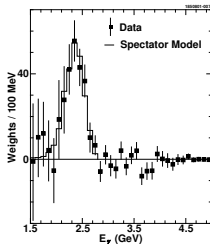
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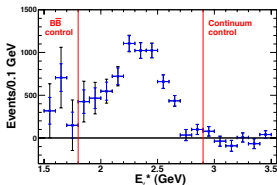
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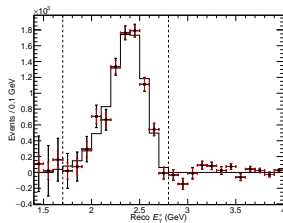
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- C_i calculable in perturbation theory
- Q_i operators with non-perturbative matrix elements

$$Q_1^q = (\bar{q}b)_{V-A}(\bar{s}q)_{V-A} \quad (q = u, c)$$

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 O can be local or non-local; p_i, p_f independent or not
List options in increased complexity

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[Khodjamirian, Mannel, Pivovarov, Wang, JHEP **09**, 089 (2010)]

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- Monday May 9, 2022
 - t -quark mass: Deepak Sathyan, Sagar Airen
 - B meson decays to two Baryons: Mark Farino, Tianping Gu
 - \mathcal{A}_{FB} for inclusive semileptonic B decays: Florian Herren
 - U -spin in c decays: Margarita Gavrilova
 - $K \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$: Mitrajyoti Ghosh
 - ϵ_K at NLL EW: Zachary Polonsky
 - Dark showers at Belle II: Elias Bernreuther
- Tuesday May 10, 2022
 - Flavor Constraints on BSM: Shiyuan Xu
 - New Physics in B Decays: Bhubanjyoti Bhattacharya
 - BSM Physics in $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$: Quinn Campagna
 - Belle II results: Lucia Kapitnov
 - Heavy QCD Axion at Belle II: Vazha Loladze
 - New physics is $B \rightarrow K \nu \bar{\nu}$: Rusa Mandal
- **Please let me know if I missed your flavor talk title**

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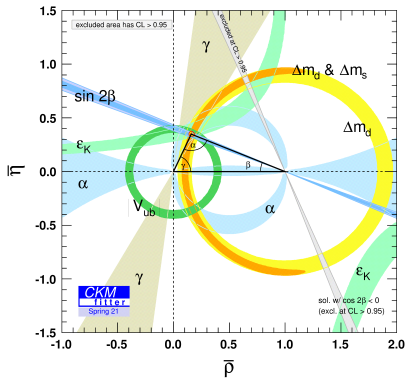
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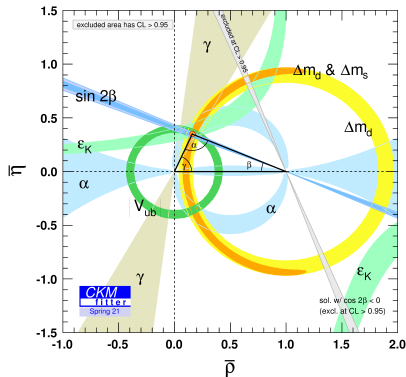
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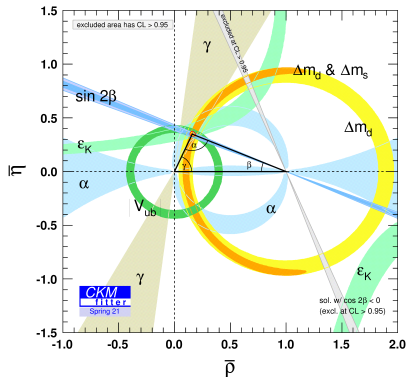
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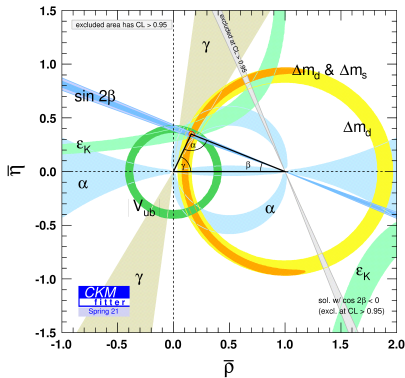
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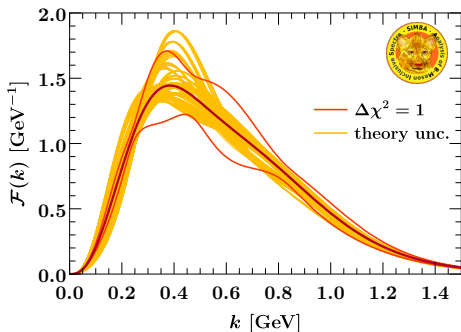
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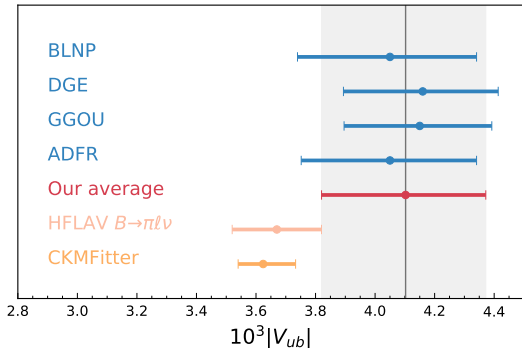
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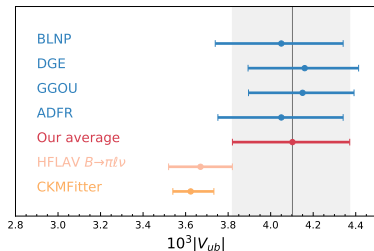
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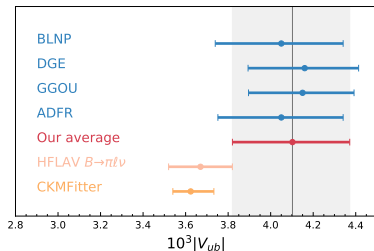


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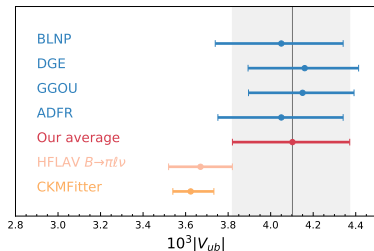


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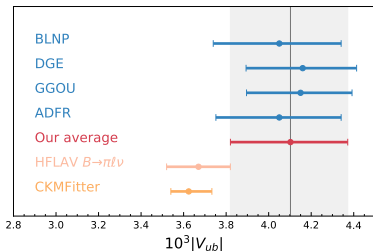


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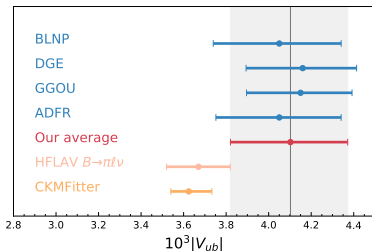
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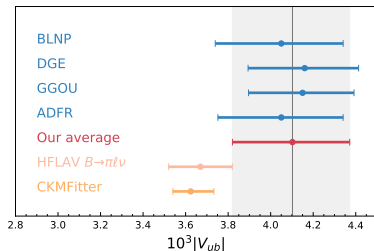
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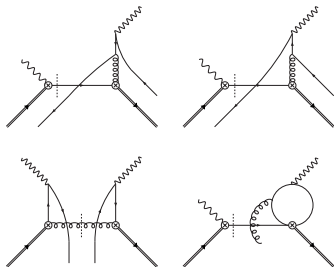
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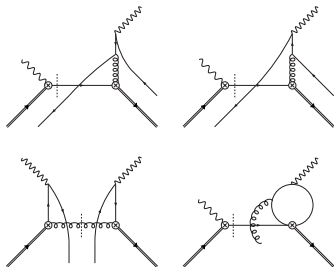
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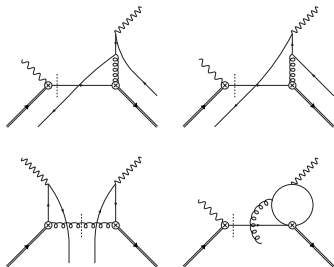
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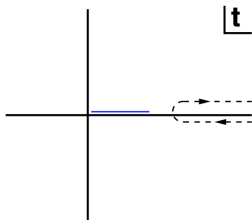
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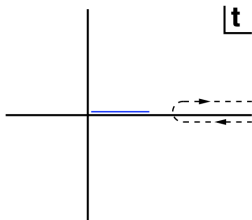
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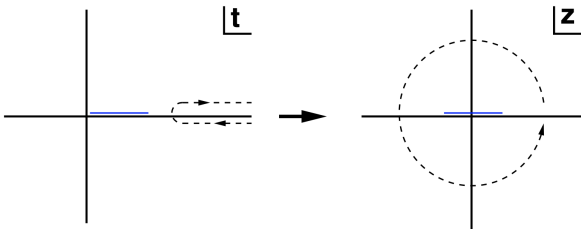
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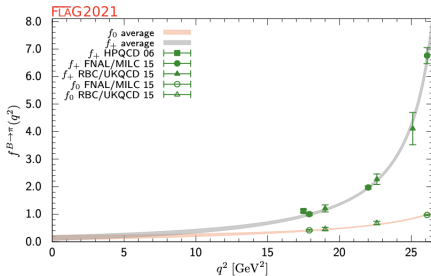
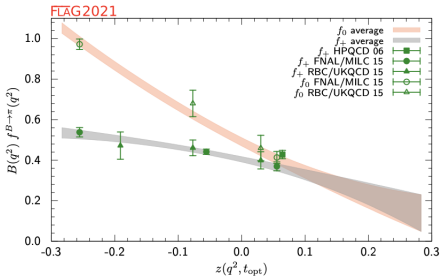
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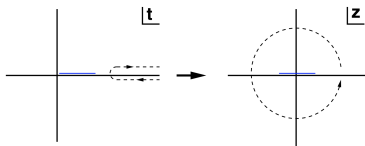
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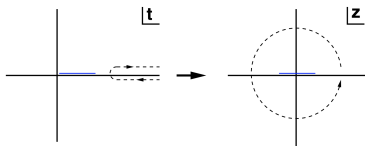
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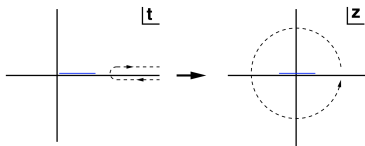


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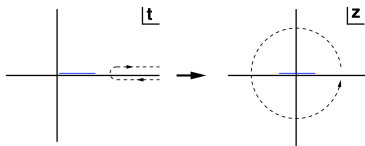
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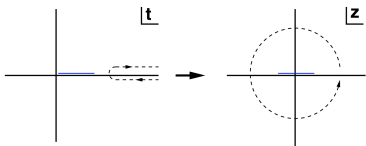
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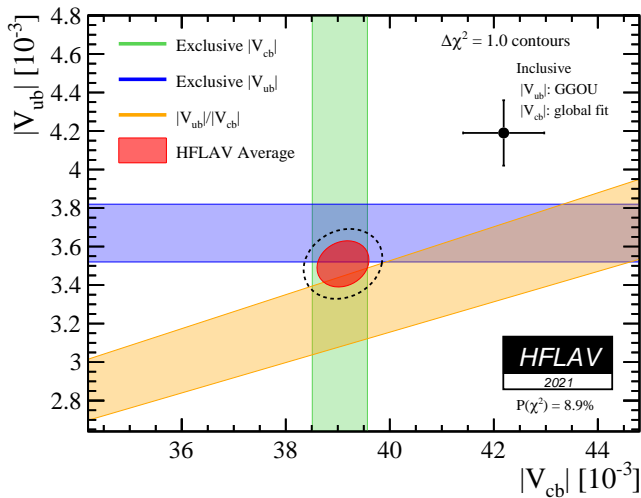
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c_3		-0.12(83)	-0.34(76)	-1.11(56)
d_0	0.0509(15)	0.0516(15)	0.0521(15)	0.0526(14)
d_1	-0.327(67)	-0.197(50)	-0.179(49)	-0.194(43)
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χ^2/dof	0.64/3	9.28/5	111/81	126/84
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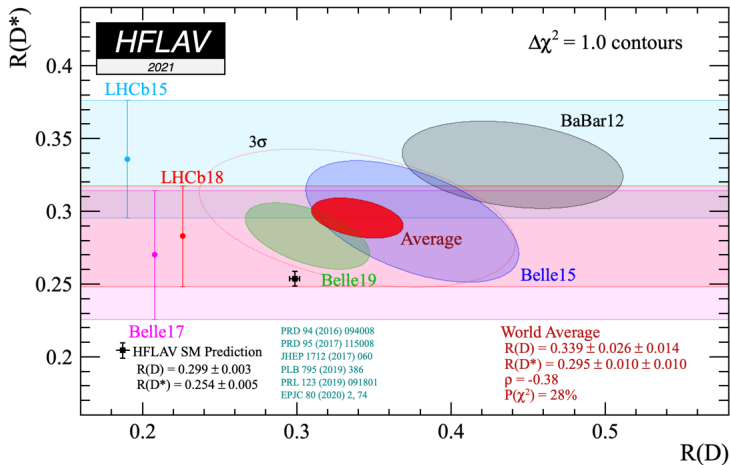
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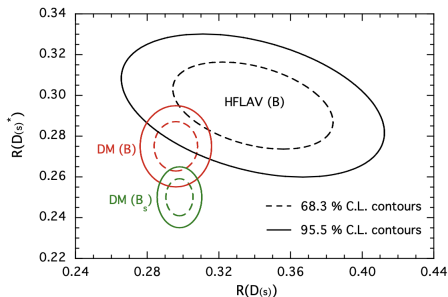
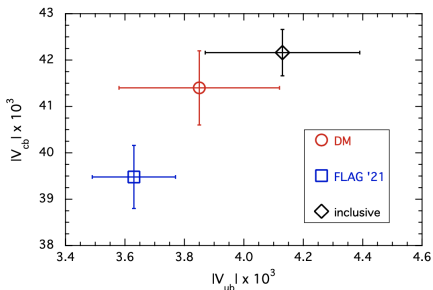


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- Flavor physics probes very high scales and advanced theoretical tools
- This decade will be very exciting with, e.g., LHCb and Belle II data
- Puzzles and tensions motivate further theoretical work
- A big challenge is controlling non-perturbative effects
- Discussed “state of the art” of
 - $|V_{cb}|$ and $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$
 - $|V_{ub}|$ and $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_u \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$
 - $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_s \gamma$
 - $|V_{cb}|$ and $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell, R(D^{(*)})$
- Future: improve theory, but not necessarily smaller error bars
- More work to do!

Precision measurement of $|V_{ub}|$

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