


Lepton Flavour Universality tests across energy scales

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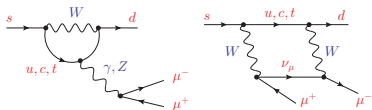
- ④ Fermion mass eigenstates \neq weak eigenstates



Flavour Mixing: $d'_i = V_{ij} d_j$, $V^\dagger V = V V^\dagger = I$

CP violation (if $N_G \geq 3$)

Successful Description of Flavour & CP



Rare Decays

$$\text{Br}(K_L^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = 6.8 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\text{Br}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = 3.0 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\text{Br}(\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{s} \gamma) = 3.1 \times 10^{-4}$$

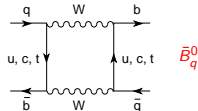
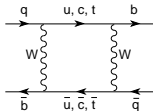
Sensitivity to (virtual) heavy scales

Meson-Antimeson Mixing

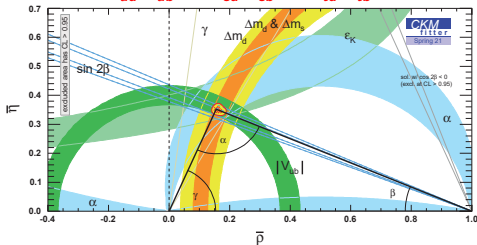
$$\Delta M_{K^0} / M_{K^0} = 7.0 \times 10^{-15} \quad \Rightarrow m_c$$

$$\Delta M_{B_d^0} / M_{B_d^0} = 6.3 \times 10^{-14} \quad \Rightarrow m_t$$

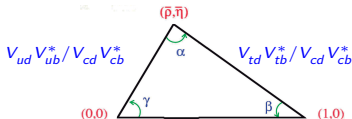
$$\Delta M_{B_s^0} / M_{B_s^0} = 2.2 \times 10^{-12} \quad \Rightarrow m_t$$

 B_q^0

 \bar{B}_q^0

$$V_{ud} V_{ub}^* + V_{cd} V_{cb}^* + V_{td} V_{tb}^* = 0$$

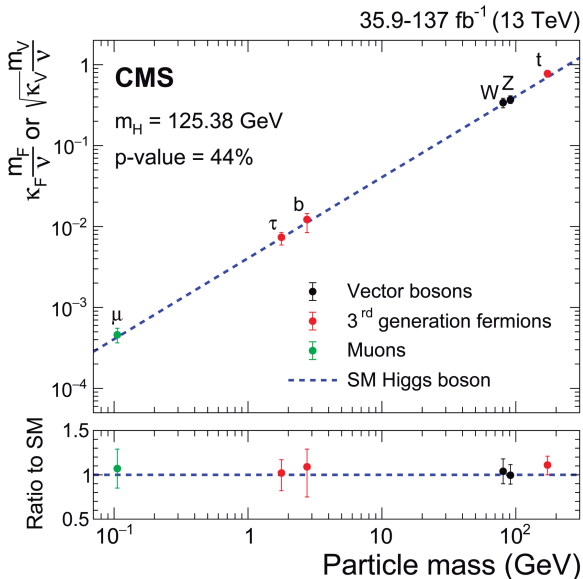
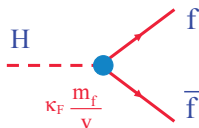
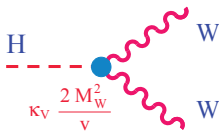


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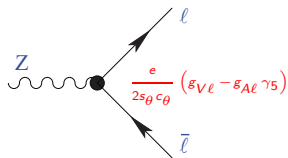


A Higgs field indeed

Interaction
proportional
to mass



Lepton Flavour Universality in Z Decays

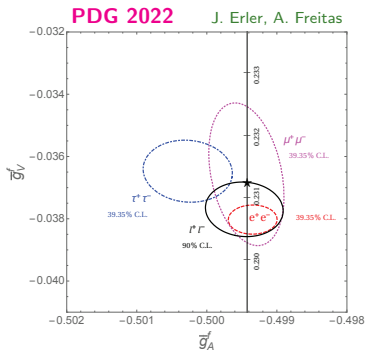
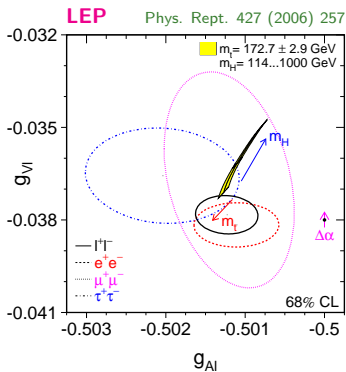


$$\frac{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-)} = 1.0001 \pm 0.0024$$

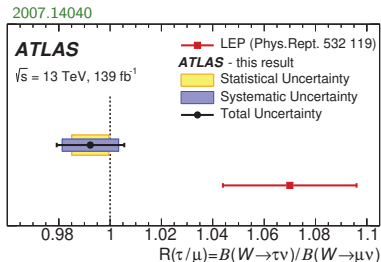
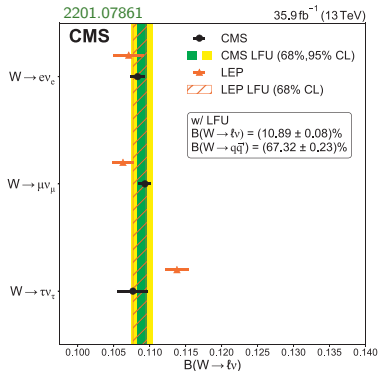
$$\frac{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)}{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-)} = 1.0020 \pm 0.0032$$

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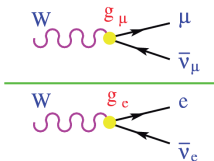
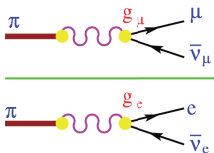
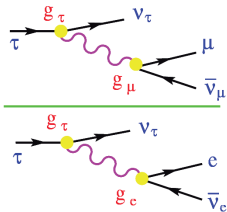
Lepton Flavour Universality in W Decays



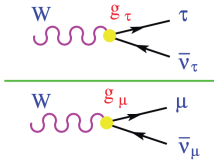
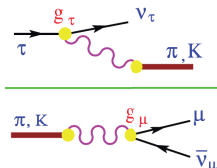
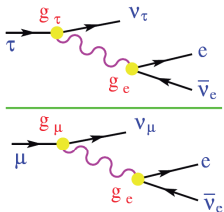
	CMS	LEP	ATLAS	LHCb	CDF	D0
$R_{\mu/e}$	1.009 ± 0.009	0.993 ± 0.019	1.003 ± 0.010	0.980 ± 0.012	0.991 ± 0.012	0.886 ± 0.121
$R_{\tau/e}$	0.994 ± 0.021	1.063 ± 0.027	—	—	—	—
$R_{\tau/\mu}$	0.985 ± 0.020	1.070 ± 0.026	0.992 ± 0.013	—	—	—
$R_{\tau/\ell}$	1.002 ± 0.019	1.066 ± 0.025	—	—	—	—

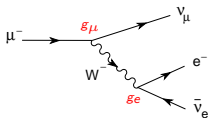
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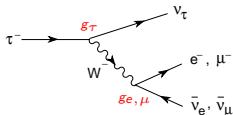


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Leptonic Decays

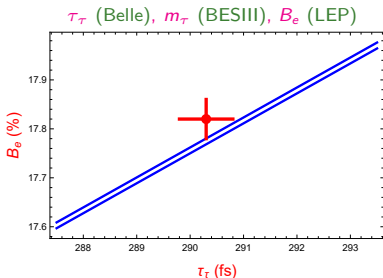


$$\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell) = \frac{G_F^2 m_\tau^5}{192\pi^3} f(m_\ell^2/m_\tau^2) (1 + \delta_{RC})$$

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

G_F, m_i

$$B_{\tau \rightarrow e} = \frac{B_{\tau \rightarrow \mu}}{0.972561 \pm 0.000004} = \frac{\tau_\tau}{(1632.7 \pm 0.5) \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ s}}$$



$$(B_{\tau \rightarrow \mu}/B_{\tau \rightarrow e})_{\text{exp}} = 0.9762 \pm 0.0028$$

Non-BF: 0.9725 ± 0.0039

BaBar'10: 0.9796 ± 0.0039

$B_{\tau \rightarrow e}^{\text{univ}} = (17.815 \pm 0.023)\%$

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A. Pich, arXiv:2012.07099
(updated)

$$|g_\mu / g_e|$$

$B_{\tau \rightarrow \mu} / B_{\tau \rightarrow e}$	1.0017 ± 0.0016
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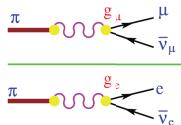
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Leptonic Meson Decays



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↑
 Helicity suppression

QED/ChPT: $\delta R_{P \rightarrow e/\mu} = \Delta_{e^2 Q^0}^P + \Delta_{e^2 Q^2}^P + \Delta_{e^2 Q^4}^P + \dots + \Delta_{e^4 Q^0}^P + \dots = \begin{cases} -0.03748 & (12) & \pi \\ -0.0360 & (5) & K \end{cases}$

Cirigliano-Rosell

➔ $R_{\pi \rightarrow e/\mu}^{\text{SM}} = (1.23524 \pm 0.00015) \cdot 10^{-4}$, $R_{K \rightarrow e/\mu}^{\text{SM}} = (2.477 \pm 0.001) \cdot 10^{-5}$

$$R_{\pi \rightarrow e/\mu}^{\text{exp}} = (1.2327 \pm 0.0023) \cdot 10^{-4} \quad \text{PIENU...} \quad \text{➔} \quad \left| \frac{g_\mu}{g_e} \right| = 1.0010 \pm 0.0009$$

$$R_{K \rightarrow e/\mu}^{\text{exp}} = (2.488 \pm 0.009) \cdot 10^{-5} \quad \text{NA62, KLOE...} \quad \text{➔} \quad \left| \frac{g_\mu}{g_e} \right| = 0.9978 \pm 0.0018$$

K → πℓν̄ℓ Decays

$$\Gamma(K_{\ell 3}) = \frac{G_F^2 m_K^5}{192\pi^3} C_K^2 S_{EW} \left[|V_{us}| f_+^{K^0\pi^-}(0) \right]^2 I_{K\ell} \left(1 + \delta_{EM}^{K\ell} + \delta_{SU(2)}^{K\pi} \right)^2$$

$$C_{K0} = 1, \quad C_{K\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad S_{EW} = 1.0232(3), \quad \delta_{SU(2)}^{K^0\pi^-} = 0, \quad \delta_{SU(2)}^{K^+\pi^0} = \frac{f_+^{K^+\pi^0}(0)}{f_+^{K^0\pi^-}(0)} - 1$$

$$I_{K\ell} = \int dt \frac{\lambda^{3/2}}{m_K^8} \left(1 + \frac{m_\ell^2}{2t} \right) \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{2t} \right)^2 \left[\tilde{f}_+^2(t) + \frac{3m_\ell^2(m_K^2 - m_\pi^2)^2}{(2t + m_\ell^2)\lambda} \tilde{f}_0^2(t) \right], \quad \lambda \equiv \lambda(t, m_K^2, m_\pi^2), \quad \tilde{f}_{+,0}(t) \equiv \frac{f_{+,0}^{K\ell}(t)}{f_+^{K\ell}(0)}$$



$$\left| \frac{g_\mu}{g_e} \right|^2 = \frac{\Gamma(K_{\mu 3})}{\Gamma(K_{e 3})} \frac{I_{Ke}}{I_{K\mu}} \frac{(1 + 2\delta_{EM}^{Ke})}{(1 + 2\delta_{EM}^{K\mu})}$$

Data: Flavianet 2010, Moulson 2017

$\delta_{EM}^{K\ell}$: Cirigliano et al 2008, Seng et al 2021

$$\left| \frac{g_\mu}{g_e} \right| = \begin{cases} 1.0022(24) & (K_L) \\ 0.9995(26) & (K^\pm) \end{cases}$$



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Bryman-Cirigliano-Crivellin-Inguglia, 2111.05338

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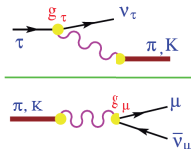
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$$\delta R_{\tau/\pi} = \begin{cases} (0.16 \pm 0.14)\% \\ (0.18 \pm 0.57)\% \end{cases}$$

$$\delta R_{\tau/K} = \begin{cases} (0.90 \pm 0.22)\% \\ (0.97 \pm 0.58)\% \end{cases}$$

Decker-Finkemeier, 1995

Arroyo-Ureña et al, 2107.04603



$$\left| \frac{g_\tau}{g_\mu} \right|_\pi = 0.9964 \pm 0.0038 \quad , \quad \left| \frac{g_\tau}{g_\mu} \right|_K = 0.9857 \pm 0.0078$$

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Four-Fermion Operators

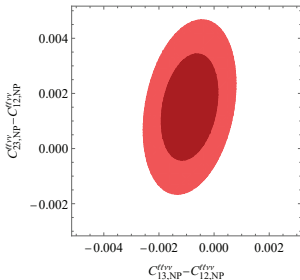
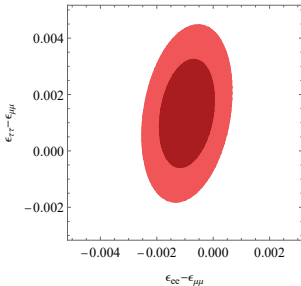
Low-energy EFT:

Cirigliano et al, 0908.1754, 2112.02087

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EFT}} = -\frac{g_2^2}{2m_W^2} \left(1 + C_{fi, \text{NP}}^{ll\nu\nu}\right) (\bar{\ell}_f \gamma_\mu P_L \ell_i) (\bar{\nu}_i \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_f) + \dots$$

Bryman et al
2111.05338

$$g_e \equiv g_2(1 + \epsilon_{ee})$$



Constraints on **SMEFT** operators



Generic constraints on New Physics

Violations of Lepton Flavour Universality

$$R_H \equiv \frac{\int_{q_{\min}^2}^{q_{\max}^2} \frac{d\Gamma(B \rightarrow H \mu^+ \mu^-)}{dq^2} dq^2}{\int_{q_{\min}^2}^{q_{\max}^2} \frac{d\Gamma(B \rightarrow H e^+ e^-)}{dq^2} dq^2} \stackrel{\text{SM}}{=} 1 \pm \mathcal{O}(10^{-2}) \quad \text{QED corrections}$$

$$b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$$

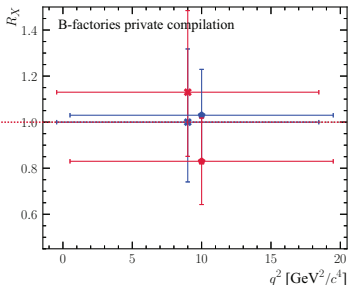
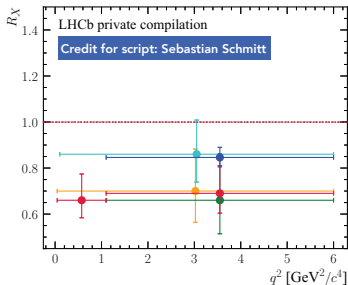
V. Gligorov, ICHEP 2022

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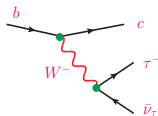
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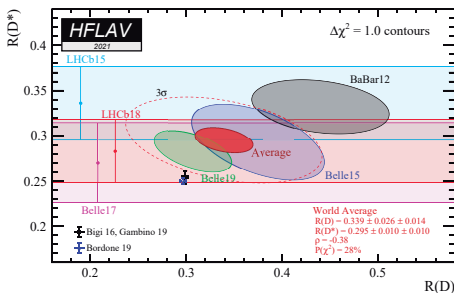
Precision dominated by LHCb, Belle 2 will be able to independently verify with $\sim 10\text{ab}^{-1}$.
Will be interesting to see the eventual impact of the parked CMS dataset.

$$\mathcal{R}_{D^{(*)}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau^- \bar{\nu}_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell)}$$

Tree-level process



$b \rightarrow c \ell \nu$



3.4σ
discrepancy

LHCb, 1711.05623: $\mathcal{R}_{J/\psi} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c \rightarrow J/\psi \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c \rightarrow J/\psi \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu)} = 0.71 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.18 \quad (1.7\sigma) \quad \mathcal{R}_{J/\psi}^{\text{SM}} \approx 0.26 - 0.28$

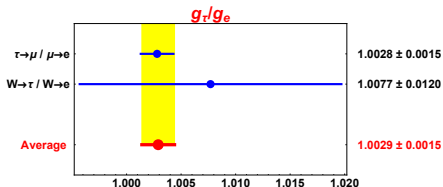
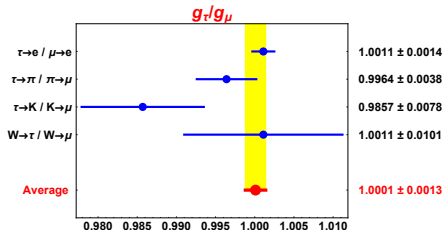
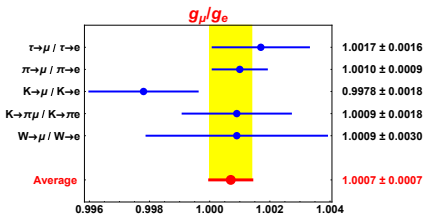
LHCb, 2201.03497: $\mathcal{R}_{\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+} = 0.242 \pm 0.026 \pm 0.040 \pm 0.059 \quad \mathcal{R}_{\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+}^{\text{SM}} \approx 0.324 \pm 0.004$

BUT

$$\frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \mu \nu)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} e \nu)} \longrightarrow \left| \frac{g_\mu}{g_e} \right| = 0.989 \pm 0.012$$

Jung-Straub
1801.01112

Lepton-Universality Averages



Complementary tests: sensitive to different new-physics contributions