

Semileptonic Decays of Charmed Mesons

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Motivation

- Good platform for weak and strong interaction
- CKM matrix determination V_{cs} and V_{cd}
- To provide insights into the origin of flavor and CP-violation.
- To look for new physics beyond the standard model.
- Test for lepton flavor universality
- BESIII, *BABAR* and other collaborations have reported precise and improved measurement on semileptonic decays

Covariant Confined Quark Model of Hadrons

- Interaction Lagrangian

$$L_{int} = g_M M(x) \int dx_1 \int dx_2 F_M(x; x_1, x_2) \cdot \bar{q}_{f_1}^a(x_1) \Gamma_M q_{f_2}^a(x_2) + H.c.$$

- Vertex function

$$F_M(x, x_1, x_2) = \delta^{(4)} \left(x - \sum_{i=1}^2 w_i x_i \right) \Phi_M \left((x_1 - x_2)^2 \right)$$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_M(-K^2) = \exp(k^2/\Lambda_M^2)$$

- IR confinement ¹

$$\Pi^c = \int_0^{1/\lambda^2} dt t^{n-1} \int_0^1 \delta \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \right) F(t\alpha_1, \dots, t\alpha_n)$$

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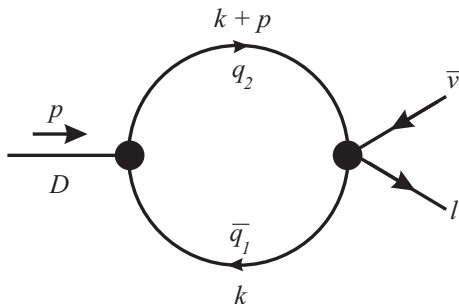
Model parameters

Quark masses m_{qi} , the infrared cutoff parameter λ and the size parameters Λ_{H_i} (all in GeV)

$m_{u/d}$	m_s	m_c	λ
0.241	0.428	1.67	0.181

Λ_D	Λ_K	Λ_{K^*}	Λ_π
1.600	1.014	0.805	0.870

Leptonic D -Meson Decays



Matrix elements of leptonic decays

$$N_c g_P \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4 i} \tilde{\phi}_P(-k^2) \text{tr}[O^\mu S_1(k + w_1 p) \gamma^5 S_2(k - w_2 p)] = f_P p^\mu$$

$$N_c g_V \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4 i} \tilde{\phi}_V(-k^2) \text{tr}[O^\mu S_1(k + w_1 p) \not{\epsilon}_\nu S_2(k - w_2 p)] = m_V f_V \epsilon_V^\mu$$

Leptonic D -Meson Decays

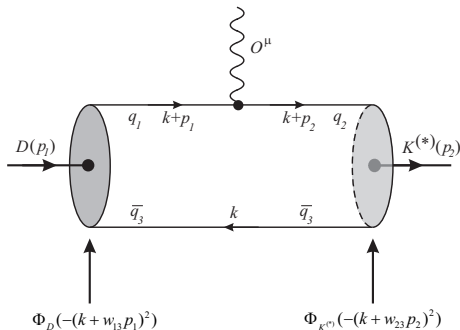
- The Leptonic D -Meson Decays given by

$$\mathcal{B}(D^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = \frac{G_F^2}{8\pi} m_D m_\ell^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_D}\right)^2 f_D^2 |V_{cd}|^2 \tau_{D^+}$$

Table: Leptonic D^+ -decay branching fraction

Channel	Present	PDG 2018
$D^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e$	8.42×10^{-9}	$< 8.8 \times 10^{-6}$
$D^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	3.57×10^{-4}	$(3.74 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-4}$
$D^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau$	0.95×10^{-3}	$< 1.2 \times 10^{-3}$

Semileptonic D -Meson Decays



- The invariant matrix element of semileptonic decays of $D \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \nu_\ell$

$$M(D \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \nu_\ell) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cs} \langle K^{(*)} | \bar{s} O^\mu c | D \rangle \ell^+ O^\mu \nu_\ell$$

Form Factors of Semi Leptonic D -Meson Decays

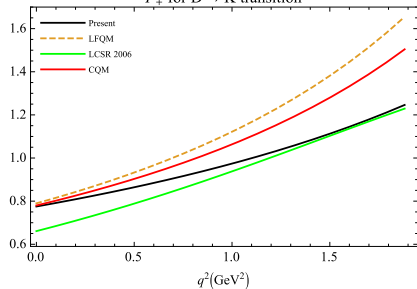
The matrix element of semileptonic $D \rightarrow K^{(*)}$ transitions

$$\langle K(p_2) | \bar{q}_2 O^\mu q_1 | D(p_1) \rangle = F_+(q^2) P^\mu + F_-(q^2) q^\mu$$

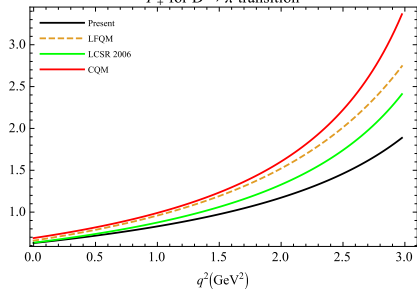
$$\begin{aligned} \langle K^{(*)}(p_2, \epsilon_2) | \bar{q}_2 O^\mu q_1 | D(p_1) \rangle = & \frac{\epsilon_\nu^\dagger}{m_1 + m_2} \left[-g^{\mu\nu} P \cdot q A_0(q^2) \right. \\ & + P^\mu P^\nu A_+(q^2) \\ & + q^\mu P^\nu A_-(q^2) \\ & \left. + i \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} P_\alpha q_\beta V(q^2) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Form Factors Comparison

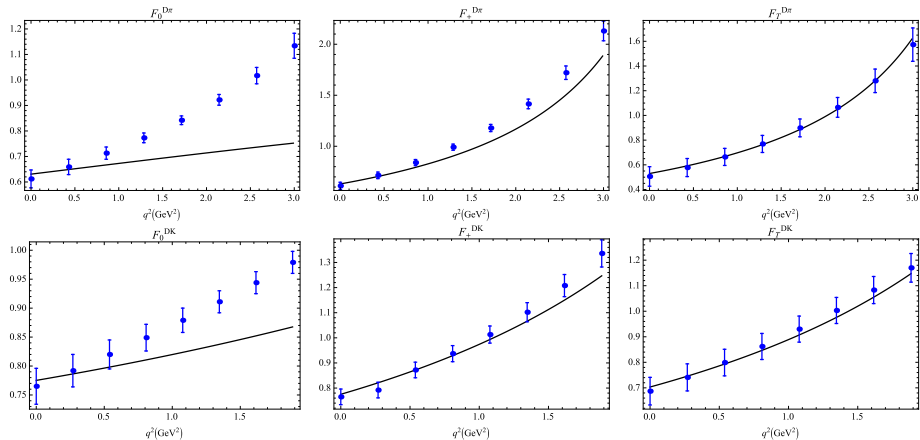
F_+ for $D \rightarrow K$ transition



F_+ for $D \rightarrow \pi$ transition

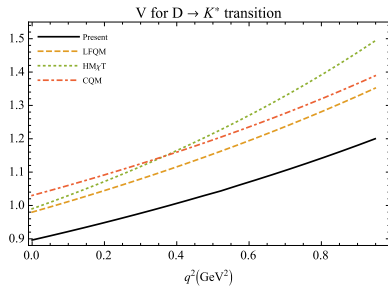
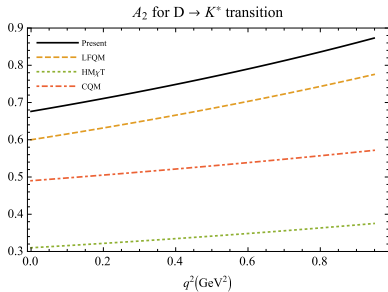
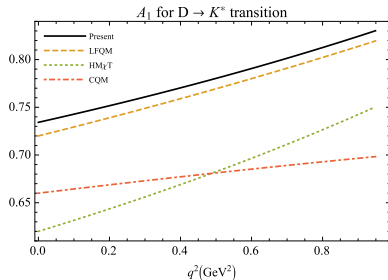
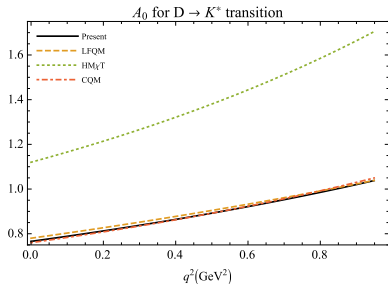


Form Factors Comparison with LQCD data by ETM²



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Form Factors Comparison



Form factors

Dipole interpolation

$$F(q^2) = \frac{F(0)}{1 - as + bs^2}, \quad s = \frac{q^2}{m_D^2}$$

The parameters of dipole interpolation:

F	$F(0)$	a	b	F	$F(0)$	a	b
$A_+^{D \rightarrow K^*}$	0.68	0.86	0.09	$A_-^{D \rightarrow K^{*0}}$	-0.90	0.96	0.14
$A_0^{D \rightarrow K^*}$	2.08	0.40	-0.10	$V^{D \rightarrow K^{*0}}$	0.90	0.97	0.13
$F_+^{D \rightarrow K}$	0.77	0.73	0.05	$F_-^{D \rightarrow K}$	-0.39	0.78	0.07
$F_+^{D \rightarrow \pi}$	0.63	0.86	0.09	$F_-^{D \rightarrow \pi}$	-0.41	0.93	0.13

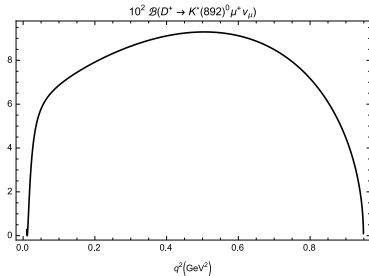
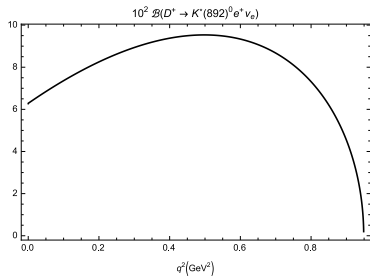
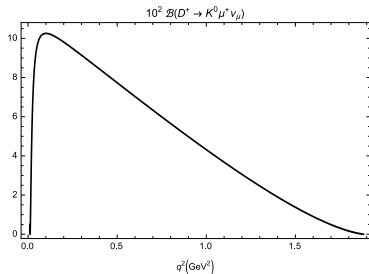
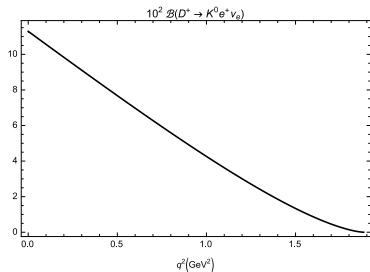
Branching fraction for $D^+ \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \nu_\ell$

$$\frac{d\Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \nu_\ell)}{dq^2} = \frac{G_F^2 |V_{cs}|^2 |p_2| q^2 v^2}{12(2\pi^3) m_D^2} H_{tot}$$

where $H_{tot} = H_U + H_L + \delta_\ell(H_U + H_L + 3H_S)$. Here H 's are the helicity structure functions which depends on form factors.

- $\delta_\ell = m_\ell^2/2q^2$
- $|p_2| = \lambda^{1/2}(m_D^2, m_{K^{(*)}}^2, q^2)/2m_D$
- $v = 1 - m_\ell^2/q^2$

Differential branching fraction for $D^+ \rightarrow K^{(*)} \ell^+ \nu_\ell$



Semileptonic Branching fraction (in %)

Channel	Present	Data	Reference
$D^+ \rightarrow K^0 e^+ \nu_e$	9.28	$8.60 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.15$	BESIII ³
		$8.83 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.20$	CLEO ⁴
$D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	9.02	$8.72 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.18$	BESIII ⁵
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e$	0.29	$0.350 \pm 0.011 \pm 0.010$	BESIII ⁶
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	0.28		

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Semileptonic Branching fraction (in %)

Channel	Present	Data	Reference
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- e^+ \nu_e$	3.63	$3.505 \pm 0.014 \pm 0.033$	BESIII ⁷
		$3.50 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.04$	CLEO ⁸
		$3.45 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.20$	Belle ⁹
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	3.53	$3.413 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.035$	BESIII ¹⁰
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu_e$	0.22	$0.295 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.003$	BESIII ⁷
		$0.2770 \pm 0.0068 \pm 0.0092$	BaBar ¹¹
		$0.288 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.003$	CLEO ⁸
		$0.255 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.016$	Belle ⁹
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	0.22	$0.272 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.006$	BESIII ¹²

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Semileptonic Branching fraction (in %)

Channel	Present	Data	Reference
$D^0 \rightarrow K^*(892)^- e^+ \nu_e$	2.96	$2.033 \pm 0.046 \pm 0.047$	BESIII ¹³
		$2.16 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.08$	CLEO ¹⁴
$D^0 \rightarrow K^*(892)^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	2.80		
$D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^*(892)^0 e^+ \nu_e$	7.61		
$D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^*(892)^0 \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	7.21		

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¹⁴E. Coan *et al.* (CLEO Collaboration), PRL **95**, 181802 (2005).

Ratios of the branching fractions

Ratio	SM	Value	Data	Reference
$\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- e^+ \nu_e) / \Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 e^+ \nu_e)$	1.0	0.99	$1.08 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.07$ $1.06 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$	BESIII ¹⁵ CLEO ¹⁶
$\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu) / \Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 \mu^+ \nu_\mu)$	1.0	0.99		
$\Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 \mu^+ \nu_\mu) / \Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 e^+ \nu_e)$	1.0	0.97		
$\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu) / \Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow K^- e^+ \nu_e)$	1.0	0.97	$0.974 \pm 0.007 \pm 0.012$	BESIII ¹⁷
$\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu) / \mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu_e)$	1.0	0.98	$0.922 \pm 0.030 \pm 0.022$	BESIII ¹⁸
$\mathcal{B}(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \nu_\mu) / \mathcal{B}(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e)$	1.0	0.98	$0.964 \pm 0.037 \pm 0.026$	BESIII ¹⁸
$\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu_e) / \Gamma(D^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e)$	2.0	1.97	$2.03 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.08$	CLEO ¹⁶

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Conclusion

- Our results are very well within the experimental uncertainty.
- Ratios of the branching fractions suggests no lepton flavor universality violation.
- Very recently, BESIII also approved our predictions ¹⁹ in their letter ²⁰
- We have computed the semileptonic decays of $D_{(s)}$ in our recent paper ²¹.
- This method is applicable for multiquark states also.

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