

Precision measurements on dipole moments of the τ and hadronic multi-body final states



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- Coupling of τ^\pm to photons via: $\bar{v}_{\tau^+} \Gamma^\mu(q^2) u_{\tau^-}$ with

$$\Gamma^\mu(q^2) = -ieQ_\tau \left[\gamma^\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2m_\tau} (iF_2(q^2) + F_3(q^2)\gamma^5) \right]$$

- $F_1(q^2)$ Dirac form factor $F_1(0) = 1$
- $F_2(q^2)$ Pauli form factor MDM $F_2(0) = a_\tau$
- $F_3(q^2)$: EDM: $F_3(0) = d_\tau \frac{2m_\tau}{eQ_\tau}$
- Neither shown nor discussed $F_4(q^2)$ anapole moment

S. Eidelman, D. Epifanov, M. Fael, L. Mercolli, M. Passera, arXiv:1601.07987



- Pair production

$$e^- + e^+ \rightarrow \tau^- + \tau^+$$

- Disclaimer $F_{2/3}(q^2 = E_{\text{CM}}^2 = m_{\Upsilon(4S)}^2)$, not actual dipole moments

- Production described by spin-density matrix

$$\chi_{\lambda-\lambda_+, \lambda'_-\lambda'_+} = \chi_{\lambda-\lambda_+, \lambda'_-\lambda'_+}^{\text{SM}} + \sum_{x \in \{\Re/\Im(F_{2/3})\}} x \cdot \chi_{\lambda-\lambda_+, \lambda'_-\lambda'_+}^x$$

- Dipole moments alter spin-correlation of τ^\pm -pair

- Access via angular distributions of decay products

- Spin-density matrix contracted with decay modes

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = \sum_{\lambda_{\pm}^{(\prime)}} \chi_{\lambda_- \lambda_+, \lambda'_- \lambda'_+} D_{\lambda_- \lambda'_-}^- D_{\lambda_+ \lambda'_+}^+$$

- Construct optimal observables

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = \mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^2 + \sum_{x \in \{\Re/\Im(F_{2/3})\}} x \cdot \mathcal{M}_x^2 \Rightarrow \text{OO}_x = \frac{\mathcal{M}_x^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^2}$$

- Get $\Re/\Im(F_{2/3})$ from expectation value of data set

$$\langle \text{OO}_x \rangle_{\text{data}} \propto x$$

- Optimal observables appear also naturally in a $\log \mathcal{L}$ fit



- First: Only 1×1 topologies: $\tau \rightarrow \{\pi\nu; \rho\nu; \mu\nu\bar{\nu}; e\nu\bar{\nu}\}$

- Similar resolution for all 16 combinations (10^6 events):

$$\delta\mathfrak{R}(F_2) = 7.0 \times 10^{-4};$$

$$\delta\mathfrak{S}(F_2) = 7.2 \times 10^{-4};$$

$$\delta\mathfrak{R}(F_3) = 9.3 \times 10^{-4};$$

$$\delta\mathfrak{S}(F_3) = 5.2 \times 10^{-4}$$

- However: Escaping neutrino carries away kinematic information
 - ▶ Always: Average over two-fold ambiguity
 - ▶ For every leptonic decay:

$$\int \mathcal{M}^2 d\phi d\cos\theta dm_{\nu\nu}^2$$

Optimal observables

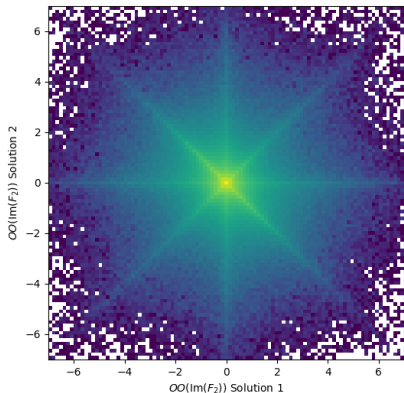
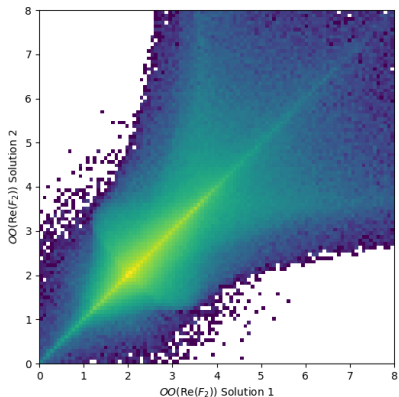
Missing information



τ^- mode	τ^+ mode	$\chi_{\delta\Re}(F_2)$	$\chi_{\delta\Im}(F_2)$
$\pi^- \nu_\tau$	$\pi^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau$	1.09	1.60
$\pi^- \nu_\tau$	$\rho^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau$	1.11	1.19
$\pi^- \nu_\tau$	$e^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau \nu_e$	2.07	1.75
$\pi^- \nu_\tau$	$\mu^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau \nu_\mu$	2.06	1.72
$\rho^- \nu_\tau$	$\pi^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau$	1.11	1.19
$\rho^- \nu_\tau$	$\rho^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau$	1.11	1.26
$\rho^- \nu_\tau$	$e^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau \nu_e$	2.03	1.79
$\rho^- \nu_\tau$	$\mu^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau \nu_\mu$	2.04	1.79
$e^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_e$	$\pi^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau$	2.09	1.81
$e^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_e$	$\rho^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau$	2.03	1.75
$e^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_e$	$e^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau \nu_e$	3.45	2.28
$e^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_e$	$\mu^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau \nu_\mu$	3.73	2.28
$\mu^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\pi^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau$	2.07	1.79
$\mu^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\rho^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau$	2.03	1.72
$\mu^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$e^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau \nu_e$	5.83	2.28
$\mu^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\mu^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau \nu_\mu$	3.11	2.32

Correlations of ambiguous solutions

$$\pi^- \nu \times \pi^+ \bar{\nu}$$



- Hadronic decays give best resolution
- Next highest branching fraction:

$$\tau^\pm \rightarrow 3\pi^\pm + \nu$$

- Branching: $9.02 \pm 0.05\%$

P.A. Zyla et al. (Particle Data Group), Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. 2020, 083C01 (2020) and 2021 update.

- Decay spin-density matrix

$$D_{\lambda\lambda'} = \mathcal{A}_\lambda^* \mathcal{A}_{\lambda'} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{A}_\lambda \propto \bar{u}_\nu \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma^5) u_\tau^\lambda J_{\text{had}}^\mu = \ell_\mu^\lambda J_{\text{had}}^\mu$$

- For π and ρ

$$J_\pi^\mu \propto p_\pi^\mu; \quad J_\rho^\mu \propto \text{BW}_\rho(s_{\pi\pi^0}) (p_\pi^\mu - p_{\pi^0}^\mu)_\perp$$

- $\Rightarrow 3\pi^\pm$: Model necessary



- Use hadronic model inspired by COMPASS

C. Adolph *et al.* [COMPASS], Phys. Rev. D 95 (2017) no.3, 032004 doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.95.032004 [arXiv:1509.00992 [hep-ex]].

- Generate toy data sets for $3\pi^\pm \nu \times \pi^+ \bar{\nu}$ for

$$\Re/\Im(F_{2/3}) = 0.01$$

- Analyze with pure $a_1 [\rho\pi]_S$ model

- ▶ Model overlap 78%

- Resulting values

$$\Re(F_2) = 0.0528 \pm 0.0005; \quad \Im(F_2) = 0.0109 \pm 0.0005$$

$$\Re(F_3) = 0.0090 \pm 0.0007; \quad \Im(F_3) = 0.0079 \pm 0.0003$$

- $\Rightarrow 3\pi^\pm$: good model necessary

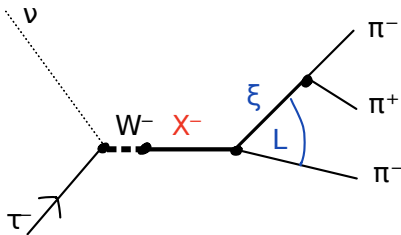


- Learn $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi + \nu$ amplitude from data
 - ▶ Perform amplitude analysis

$$J_{\text{had}}^{\mu} = \sum_{i \in \text{waves}} c_i j_i^{\mu}(p_1, p_2, p_3)$$

- Free complex-valued coefficients c_i
- Specific dependence on the phase-space variables $j_i^{\mu}(p_1, p_2, p_3)$

- Possible formulation: isobar model
- Waves given by:
 - ▶ Three pion state X^-
 - ▶ Known J^{PC} quantum numbers
 - ▶ Decays to isobar ξ^0 and π
 - ▶ Also known J^{PC}
 - ▶ Orbital angular momentum L
- Alternative non-isobaric waves (e.g. chiral models or combinations)



The decay $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi$

Partial wave currents



- Partial-wave current: f.s. $\pi_1^+, \pi_2^-, \pi_3^- \Rightarrow p_1^\mu, p_2^\mu$, and p_3^μ
 - ▶ $a_1[\rho\pi]_S$

- Angular momenta encoded in:

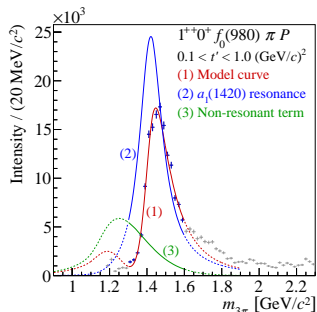
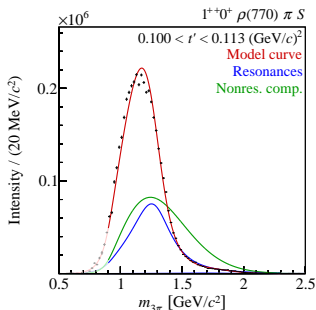
$$\Xi_i^\mu = \left(\eta^{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_{123}^\mu p_{123}^\nu}{p_{123}^2} \right) (p_1 - p_i)_\nu$$

- Bose symmetrization

$$j_{[\rho\pi]_S}^\mu = \text{BW}_{a_1}(s_{123}) \left(\text{BW}_\rho(s_{12}) \Xi_2^\mu + \text{BW}_\rho(s_{13}) \Xi_3^\mu \right)$$

- Dynamic amplitudes $\text{BW}(s)$

F. Krinner and S. Paul, [arXiv:2107.04295 [hep-ph]].



M. Aghasyan *et al.* [COMPASS], Phys. Rev. D **98** (2018) no.9, 092003 doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.98.092003 [arXiv:1802.05913 [hep-ex]].

C. Adolph *et al.* [COMPASS], Phys. Rev. Lett. **115** (2015) no.8, 082001 doi:10.1103/PhysRevLett.115.082001 [arXiv:1501.05732 [hep-ex]].

- $a_1(1260)$

- PDG:

$$m_{a_1} = 1,230 \pm 40 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma_{a_1} = 250 - 600 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

- $a_1(1420)$

- Possible explanations:

- ▶ Resonance
- ▶ Triangle singularity
- ▶ Interference with non-resonant processes



- Improve overlap to 95%

$$\Re(F_2) = 0.0180 \pm 0.0005; \quad \Im(F_2) = 0.105 \pm 0.0005$$

$$\Re(F_3) = 0.0104 \pm 0.0006; \quad \Im(F_3) = 0.0099 \pm 0.0003$$

- Overlap to 99%

$$\Re(F_2) = 0.0116 \pm 0.0005; \quad \Im(F_2) = 0.0098 \pm 0.0005$$

$$\Re(F_3) = 0.0097 \pm 0.0006; \quad \Im(F_3) = 0.0102 \pm 0.0003$$

- Good hadronic model can recover F_3
- $\Im(F_2)$ not largely affected
- $\Re(F_2)$ critical



- Measure the τ form factors F_2 and F_3 in τ -pair events
 - ▶ Kinematic distribution of the decay products
- Missing neutrino kinematics:
 - ▶ Hadronic events give better resolution
- 3rd largest hadronic mode: $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi^\pm + \nu_\tau$
- Dipole moments need proper hadronic model
- Amplitude analysis of $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi + \nu_\tau$
 - ▶ E.g. PWA in the isobar model
 - ▶ $a_1(1260)$, $a_1(1420)$
- F_3 and $\Im(F_2)$ can be improved
 - ▶ $\Re(F_2)$ too sensitive on hadronic model