

# New Physics in Hadronic Tau Decays

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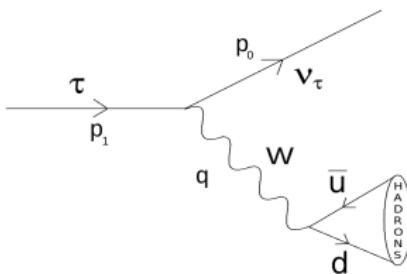
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# Hadronic $\tau$ decays in the SM



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{SM} = -\frac{G_F V_{ud}}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \bar{\tau} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_\tau \cdot \bar{u} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) d + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

Suppressed in SM by  $1/M_W^2$ . Very rich phenomenology. Precise predictions

## Inclusive

- $\alpha_s$  Braaten '91, Pich '16
- $|V_{us}|$  Gamiz '02 '13
- $\chi\text{PT}$  Davier '98, Gonzalez-Alonso '16

## Exclusive

- $|V_{us}|$  ( $\tau \rightarrow \pi^- (K^-) \nu_\tau$ ) HFLAV '17
- $g - 2$  ( $\pi\pi$  to HVP) ALEPH '97, Davier '14

What can they tell us about possible new physics?

# Hadronic $\tau$ decays with non-standard interactions (preliminary!)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = & -\frac{G_F V_{ud}}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \left( 1 + \epsilon_L^{d\tau} \right) \bar{\tau} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_\tau \cdot \bar{u} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) d \right. \\ & + \epsilon_R^{d\tau} \bar{\tau} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_\tau \bar{u} \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma_5) d \\ & + \bar{\tau} (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_\tau \cdot \bar{u} \left[ \epsilon_S^{d\tau} - \epsilon_P^{d\tau} \gamma_5 \right] d \quad \text{Cirigliano '10} \\ & \left. + \epsilon_T^{d\tau} \bar{\tau} \sigma_{\mu\nu} (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_\tau \cdot \bar{u} \sigma^{\mu\nu} (1 - \gamma_5) d \right] + \text{h.c.}\end{aligned}$$

Decay to hadronic state  $\langle n |$

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{BSM}(s) - d\Gamma_{SM}(s)}{d\Gamma_{BSM}} = \sum a_i(s) \epsilon_i^{d\tau}$$

- Very good precision needed for  $d\Gamma_{SM}(s)$  and  $d\Gamma_{\text{exp}}(s)$ ... except if  $a_i$  es very large
- $d\Gamma_{SM}(s)$   $a_i(s)$  involve form factors

$\tau \rightarrow \eta \pi^- \nu_\tau$

Very suppressed in SM  $a_s(s) = \mathcal{O}(\frac{m_\tau}{m_u - m_d}) \rightarrow \epsilon_s \approx -(2 \pm 7) \cdot 10^{-3}$  Garcés '17

## Exclusive constraints: $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \nu_\tau$ (**preliminary** results!)

$$\Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \nu_\tau) = \frac{m_\tau^2 f_\pi^2 G_F^{(e)2} |V_{ud}^{(e)}|^2}{16\pi} (1 + \delta_{RC}^\pi)(1 + \delta_{NP}^\pi)$$

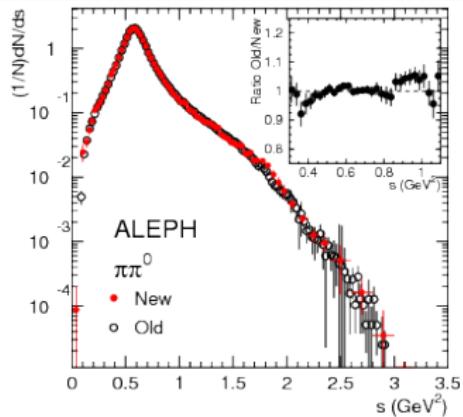
- $G_F^e |V_{ud}^e|$  are experimental numbers. BSM corrections included in  $\delta_{NP}^\pi$
- $f_\pi$  can be obtained from the lattice free from any NP effects **FLAG '17**
- $\delta_{NP}^{(\pi)} = 2(\epsilon_L^{d\tau} - \epsilon_L^{de} - \epsilon_R^{d\tau} - \epsilon_R^{de} - \frac{B_0}{m_\tau} \epsilon_P^{d\tau})$

$$\epsilon_L^{d\tau} - \epsilon_L^{de} - \epsilon_R^{d\tau} - \epsilon_R^{de} - \frac{B_0}{m_\tau} \epsilon_P^{d\tau} = -(1.5 \pm 6.7) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

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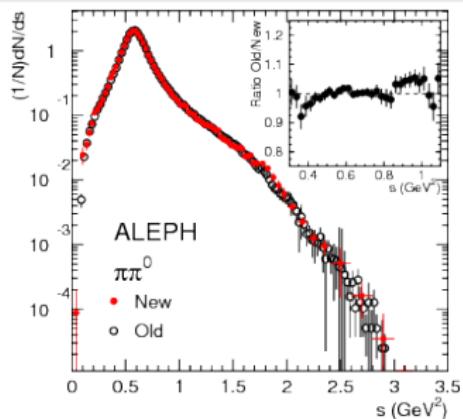


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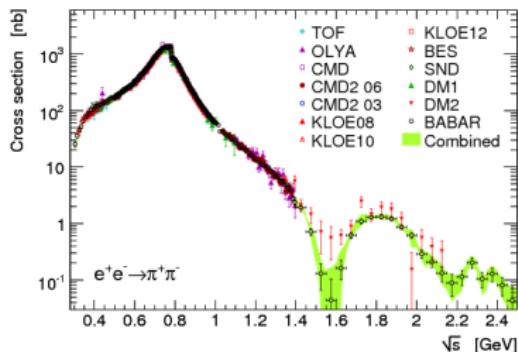
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Contribution of  $\pi\pi$  to HVP for  $g - 2$ .

Experimental inputs from Davier et al. '14 '17

$$a_\mu = a_\mu^{e, \text{exp}} = \int ds \underbrace{f(s)}_{\text{known}} \frac{d\Gamma_{SM}(s)}{ds} = \int ds f(s) \frac{d\Gamma_{exp}(s)}{ds} (1 - \delta_{NP}(s)) = a_\mu^{\tau, \text{exp}} (1 + c_i \epsilon_i)$$

$$\epsilon_L^\tau + \epsilon_R^\tau - \epsilon_L^e - \epsilon_R^e + 0.64\epsilon_T = (8.9 \pm 4.4) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

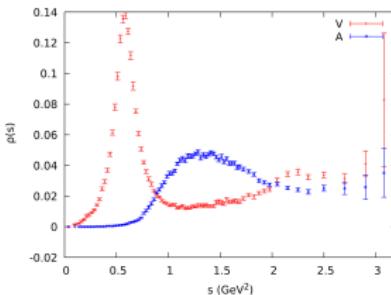
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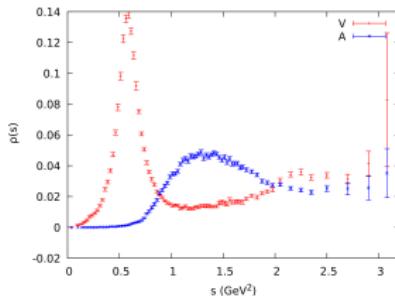
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$$d\Gamma_A(s) = f_{AA}(s)(1 + 2\epsilon_{L-R}^\tau - 2\epsilon_{L+R}^e) \text{Im } \Pi_{AA}(s)$$

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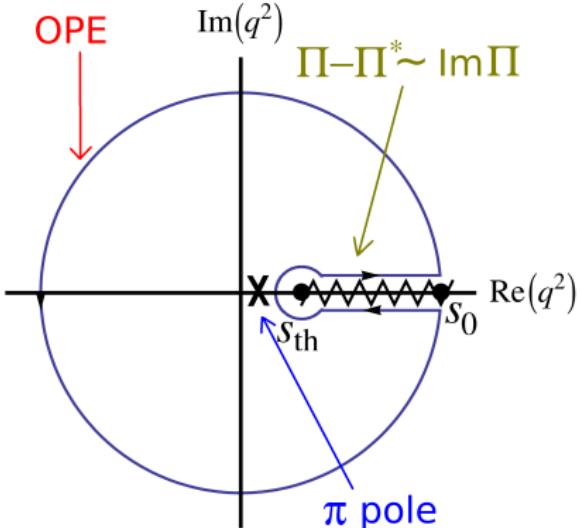
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# Inclusive constraints: QCD analiticity of $\Pi(s)$

$$\Pi^{\text{OPE}}(Q^2 = -q^2) = \sum_i c_i(\mu, Q^2) \frac{\mathcal{O}_{i,D}(\mu)}{Q^D}$$

Shifman '79

Integrate  $\Pi(s) \cdot \omega(s)$  along the circuit



$$\underbrace{\int_{s_{th}}^{s_0} \frac{ds}{s_0} \omega(s) \text{Im } \Pi_{V\pm A}^{(1+0)}}_{\text{Experiment-BSM}(\epsilon)} \pm 2\pi \frac{f_\pi^2}{s_0} \omega(m_\pi^2) = \frac{i}{2} \oint_{|s|=s_0} \frac{ds}{s_0} \omega(s) \Pi_{V\pm A}^{(1+0), \text{ OPE}} + \delta_{DV, V\pm A}^{(\omega)}(s_0)$$

Le Diberder, Pich '92

# Inclusive constraints: $V + A$ (**preliminary** results!)

$$\int_{s_{th}}^{s_0} \frac{ds}{s_0} \omega(s) \operatorname{Im} \Pi_{V+A}^{(1+0)} + 2\pi \frac{f_\pi^2}{s_0} \omega(m_\pi^2) = \frac{i}{2} \oint_{|s|=s_0} \frac{ds}{s_0} \omega(s) \Pi_{V+A}^{(1+0), \text{ OPE}} + \delta_{DV, V+A}^{(\omega)}(s_0)$$

Theoretical contribution strongly dominated by PT  $\rightarrow$  take  $\alpha_s$  from the lattice **FLAG '17**

$$\omega(s) = 1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \epsilon_{L+R}^{d\tau} - \epsilon_{L+R}^{de} - 0.89\epsilon_R^{d\tau} + 0.73\epsilon_T^{d\tau} = (8.5 \pm 8.5) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$\omega(s) = \omega_\tau(s) \quad \longrightarrow \quad 0.72(\epsilon_{L+R}^{d\tau} - \epsilon_{L+R}^{de}) - 0.56\epsilon_R^{d\tau} + \epsilon_T^{d\tau} = (3.2 \pm 11.8) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

# Inclusive constraints: $V - A$ (preliminary results!)

$$\int_{s_{th}}^{s_0} \frac{ds}{s_0} \omega(s) \operatorname{Im} \Pi_{V-A}^{(1+0)} - 2\pi \frac{f_\pi^2}{s_0} \omega(m_\pi^2) = \frac{i}{2} \oint_{|s|=s_0} \frac{ds}{s_0} \omega(s) \Pi_{V-A}^{(1+0), \text{ OPE}} + \delta_{DV, V-A}^{(\omega)}(s_0)$$

$\Pi_{VV-AA}^{OPE}(s)$  vanishes in the chiral limit!

$$\Pi^{(1+0) \text{ OPE}}(Q^2) = \sum_i c_i(\mu, Q^2) \frac{\mathcal{O}_{i,D}(\mu)}{Q^D}$$

- $D = 0$  (purely pert) vanishes at all orders
- $D = 2, 4$  numerically negligible

Good knowledge of the short-distance behaviour of  $\Pi_{V-A}(s)$

$$\omega(s) = 1 - \frac{s}{s_0} \quad \text{Combination of WSR1 and WSR2. Suppressed DVs}$$

$$0.15(\epsilon_{L+R}^{d\tau} - \epsilon_{L+R}^{de}) + 0.46\epsilon_R^{d\tau} + \epsilon_T^{d\tau} = (0.8 \pm 7.6) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

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- $D = 6$  from the lattice ( $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ ) Donoghue '99

Excellent knowledge of the short-distance behaviour of  $\Pi_{V-A}(s)$

$$\omega(s) = \left(1 - \frac{s}{s_0}\right)^2 \text{ Three short-distance constraints involved. Very suppressed DVs}$$
$$0.15(\epsilon_{L+R}^{d\tau} - \epsilon_{L+R}^{de}) + 0.29\epsilon_R^{d\tau} + \epsilon_T^{d\tau} = (0.8 \pm 1.5) \cdot 10^{-3}$$

# Combined fit and SMEFT matching (**preliminary** results!)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_L^{d\tau} - \epsilon_L^{de} + \epsilon_R^{d\tau} - \epsilon_R^{de} \\ \epsilon_R^{d\tau} \\ \epsilon_S^{d\tau} \\ \epsilon_P^{d\tau} \\ \epsilon_T^{d\tau} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9.6 \pm 6.1 \\ 1.3 \pm 9.0 \\ -2.0 \pm 7.0 \\ -6.1 \pm 11.5 \\ -1.1 \pm 3.8 \end{pmatrix} \times 10^{-3}$$

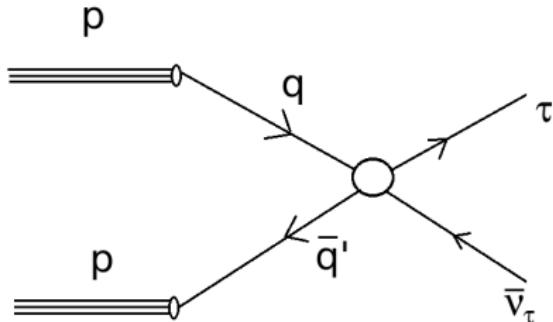
Correlations also obtained and they will be published

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_L^{d\tau} - \epsilon_L^{de} &= \underbrace{\delta g_L^{W\tau} - \delta g_L^{We}}_{\text{Constrained by EWPO}} - [c_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{\tau\tau 11} + \underbrace{[c_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{ee 11}}_{\text{Constrained by EWPO}} \\ \epsilon_R^{d\tau} &= \epsilon_R^{de} = \underbrace{\delta g_R^{Wq_1}}_{\text{Constrained by EWPO}} \\ \epsilon_{S,P}^{d\tau} &= -\frac{1}{2} [c_{lequ} \pm c_{ledq}]^*_{\tau\tau 11} \\ \epsilon_T^{d\tau} &= -\frac{1}{2} [c_{lequ}^{(3)}]^*_{\tau\tau 11} \quad \text{EWPO=Falkowski '17} \end{aligned}$$

## Novel low-energy constraints

$$[c_{lq}^{(3)}, c_{lequ}, c_{ledq}, c_{lequ}^{(3)}]_{\tau\tau 11} = (1.0 \pm 2.9, 0.66 \pm 0.71, -0.43 \pm 0.66, -0.02 \pm 0.82) \times 10^{-2}$$

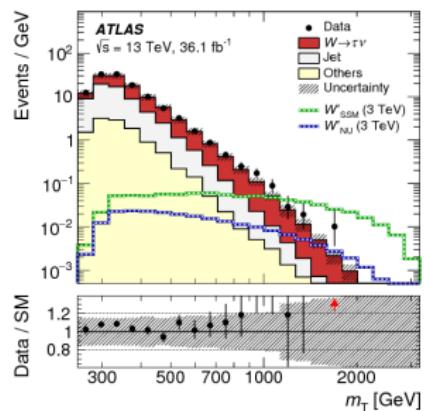
# LHC constraints (preliminary results!)



$pp \rightarrow \tau\nu$  1801.06992

Not valid if new degrees of freedom emerge at  $M \sim \text{TeV}$

Powerful constraints only for operators enhanced by  $\frac{E^2}{v^2}$



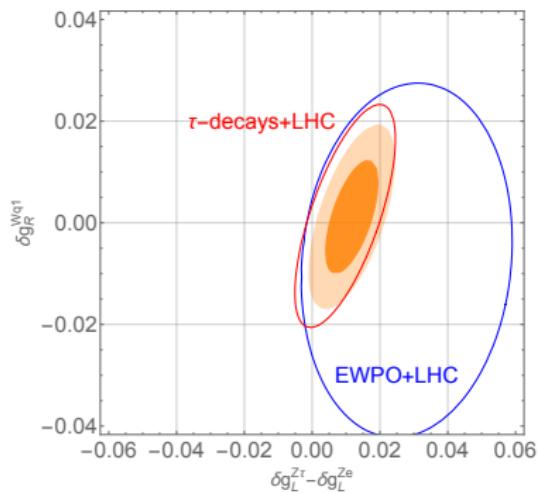
Impact of the Wilsons on  $\frac{d\sigma(pp \rightarrow \tau\nu)}{dm_T}$  using the Madgraph/Pythia 8/Delphes simulation chain

Coefficient	ATLAS $\tau\nu$	Hadronic $\tau$ decays
$[c_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{\tau\tau 11}$	$[0.0, 1.1]$	$[-12.8, 0.0]$
$[c_{\ell equ}]_{\tau\tau 11}$	$[-4.6, 4.6]$	$[-3.9, 8.6]$
$[c_{\ell edq}]_{\tau\tau 11}$	$[-4.6, 4.6]$	$[-7.7, 4.8]$
$[c_{\ell equ}^{(3)}]_{\tau\tau 11}$	$[-2.7, 2.7]$	$[-8.8, 1.8]$

One by one constraints. 95% C.L ( $\mu = 1 \text{ TeV}$ )

# Combination $\tau + \text{LHC}$ (preliminary results!)

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_L^{d\tau} - \epsilon_L^{de} &= \delta g_L^{W\tau} - \delta g_L^{We} - \underbrace{[c_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{\tau\tau 11} + [c_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{ee 11}}_{\text{strongly constrained by LHC}} \\ \epsilon_R^{d\tau} &= \epsilon_R^{de} = \delta g_R^{Wq_1}\end{aligned}$$



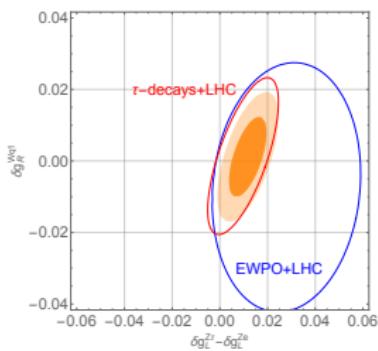
$\delta g_R^{Wq_1}$  determination from neutron decay (EWPO) improving fast! Gonzalez-Alonso '18

# Conclusions

Precision  $\tau$  observables become one more parcel to probe new physics and some interesting constraints can be found beyond the single pion channel

Some **preliminary!** numbers

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_L^{d\tau} - \epsilon_L^{de} + \epsilon_R^{d\tau} - \epsilon_R^{de} \\ \epsilon_R^{d\tau} \\ \epsilon_S^{d\tau} \\ \epsilon_P^{d\tau} \\ \epsilon_T^{d\tau} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9.6 \pm 6.1 \\ 1.3 \pm 9.0 \\ -2.0 \pm 7.0 \\ -6.1 \pm 11.5 \\ -1.1 \pm 3.8 \end{pmatrix} \times 10^{-3}$$



More work to be done

- Improve the two-pion constraint
- Extract information from the strange sector
- CPV couplings?
- Implications for specific BSM models and B anomalies?
- Wait for improved data sets... Belle 2?