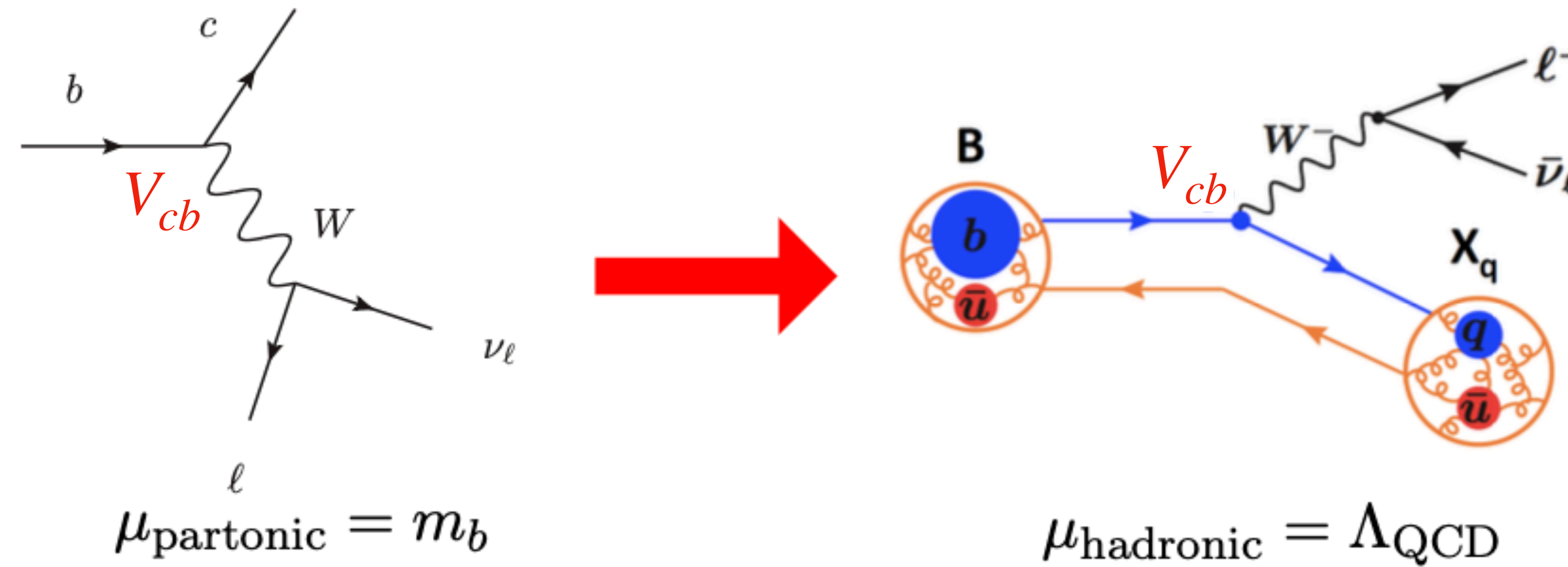


# The interplay of $V_{cb}$ evaluation and $b \rightarrow c\ell\nu$ phenomenology

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# The Vcb Puzzle

## Exclusive vs. Inclusive determination of Vcb



$$\bar{B} \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}$$

**Inclusive decay rate**

Measurement from B factories (Belle and Babar)

Prospects for  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}$  at LHCb

$$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}$$

**Exclusive decay rate**

$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu}$  data from Belle

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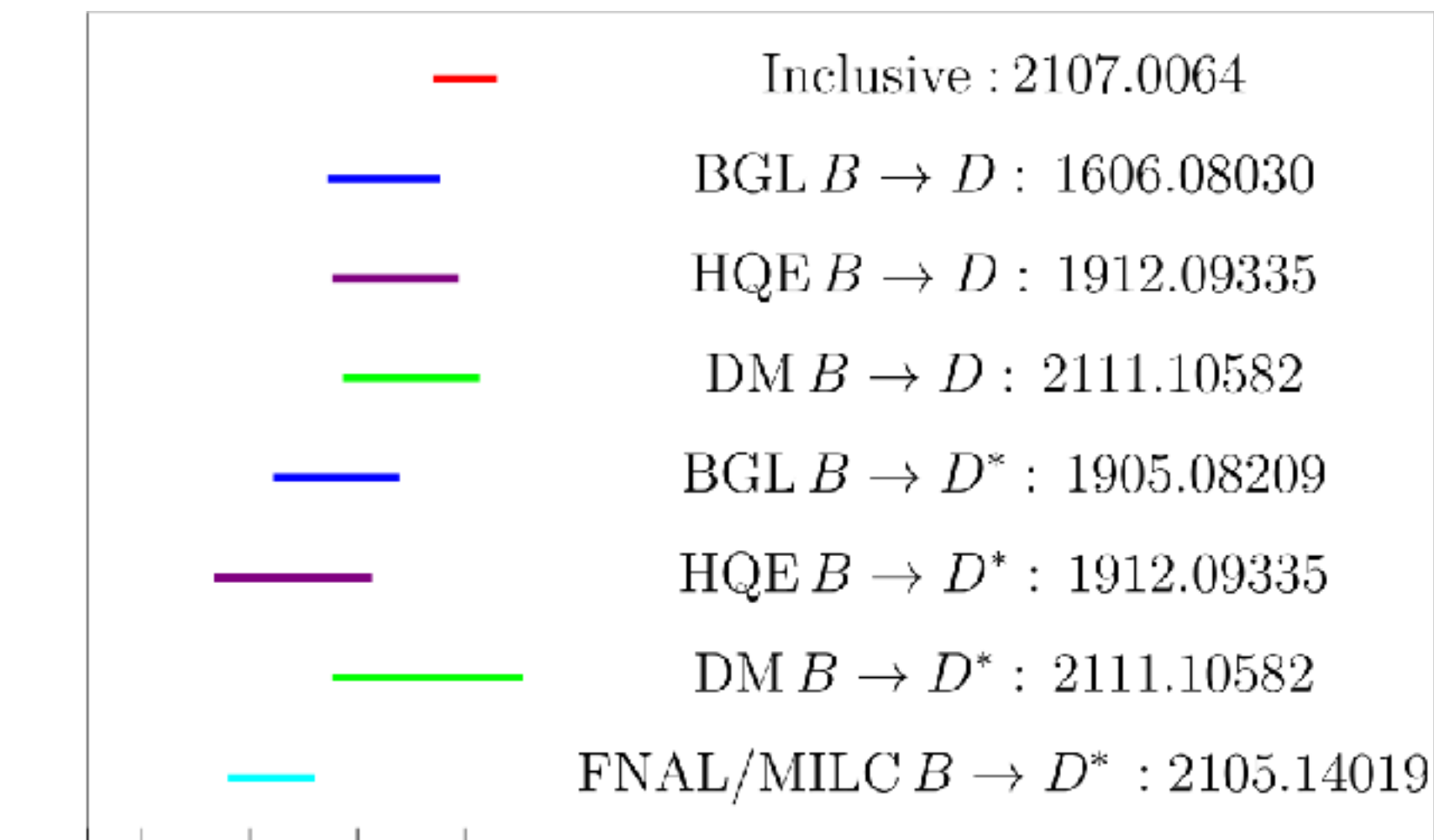
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$V_{cb}$

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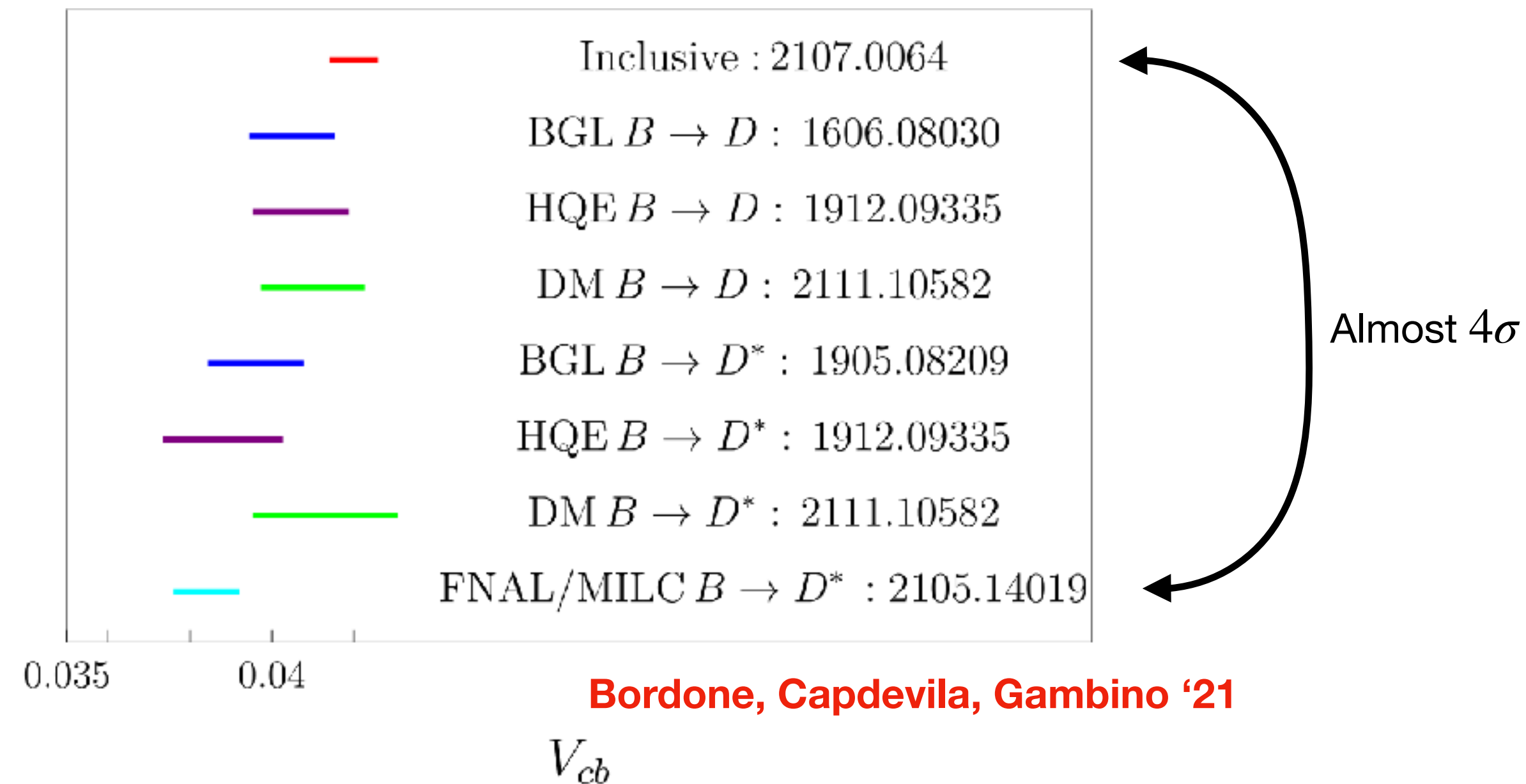
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Phase space factor  $\rightarrow$  EW corrections  $\rightarrow$  Form Factor

$w = v \cdot v'$  product of initial and final velocities

$$r = m_{D^*}/m_B$$

$$\frac{\langle D^*(v', \epsilon) | \bar{c} \gamma^\mu b | B(v) \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_{D^*}}} = h_V(w) \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} v_{B,\nu} v_{D^*,\rho} \epsilon_\sigma^*$$

$$\frac{\langle D^*(v', \epsilon) | \bar{c} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 b | B(v) \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_{D^*}}} = i h_{A_1}(w) (1 + w) \epsilon^{*\mu} - i [h_{A_2}(w) v_B^\mu + h_{A_3}(w) v_{D^*}^\mu] \epsilon^* \cdot v_B$$

$$P(w) |\mathcal{F}(w)|^2 = |h_{A_1}(w)|^2 \left\{ 2 \frac{r^2 - 2rw + 1}{(1 - r)^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{w - 1}{w + 1} R_1^2(w) \right] + \left[ 1 + \frac{w - 1}{1 - r} (1 - R_2(w)) \right]^2 \right\},$$

$$R_1(w) = \frac{h_V(w)}{h_{A_1}(w)}, \quad R_2(w) = \frac{h_{A_3}(w) + r h_{A_2}(w)}{h_{A_1}(w)}.$$

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Inconsistent with subleading terms in the  $1/m_{cb}$  expansion

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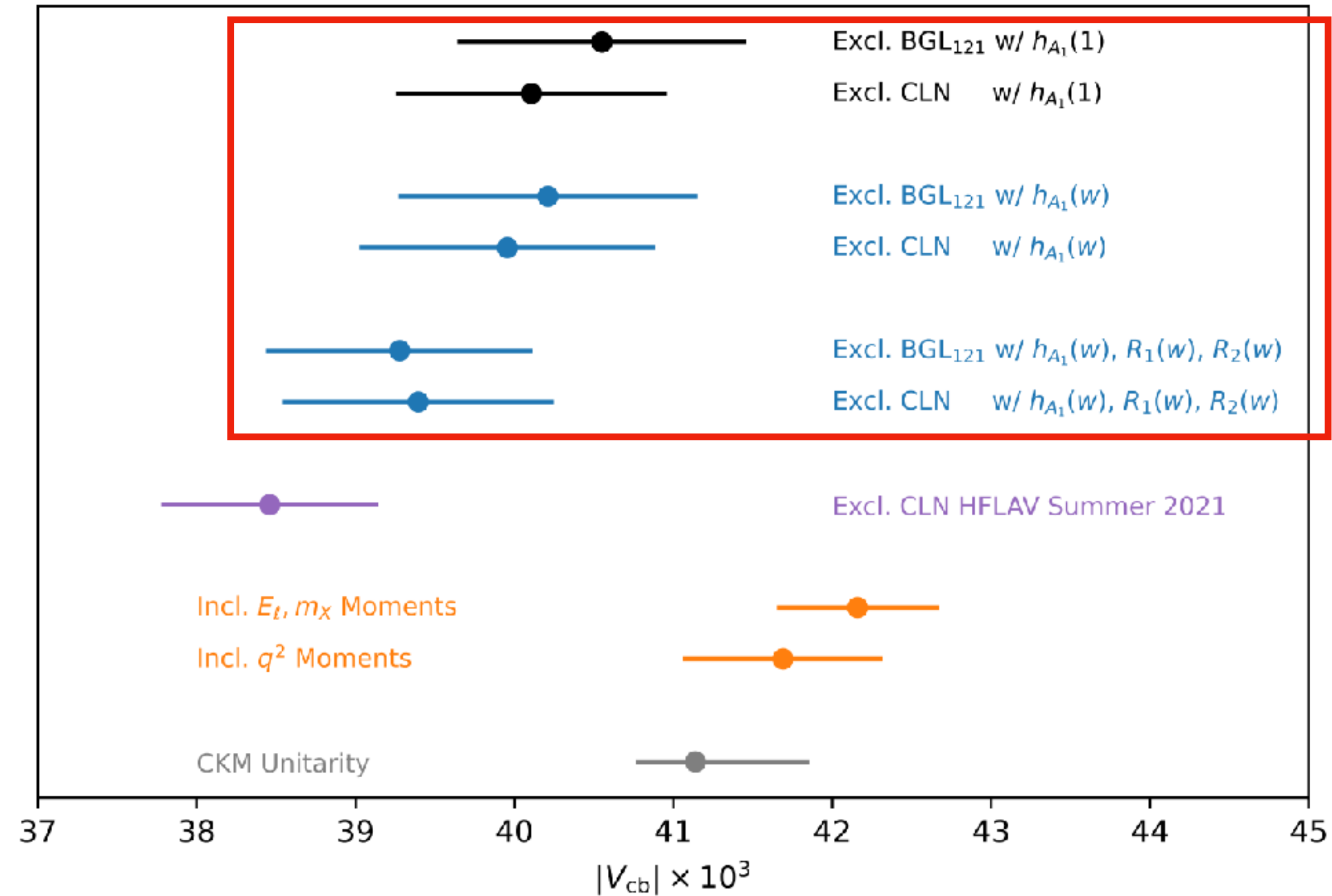
- From lattice,  $\mathcal{F}(1) = 0.904 \pm 0.012$  (Fermilab/MILC + HPQCD)
- From sum rules,  $\mathcal{F}(1) = 0.86 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.02$  (Gambino, Manuel, Uraltsev 2012) -> yields results closer to exclusive measurements
- Typically fit to data provides :

$$\eta_{ew} \mathcal{F}(1) |V_{cb}| = (35.27 \pm 0.52) \times 10^{-3} \text{ (CLN).}$$



# Exclusive measurement by Belle Collab. - 2301.07529

$$B \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$$



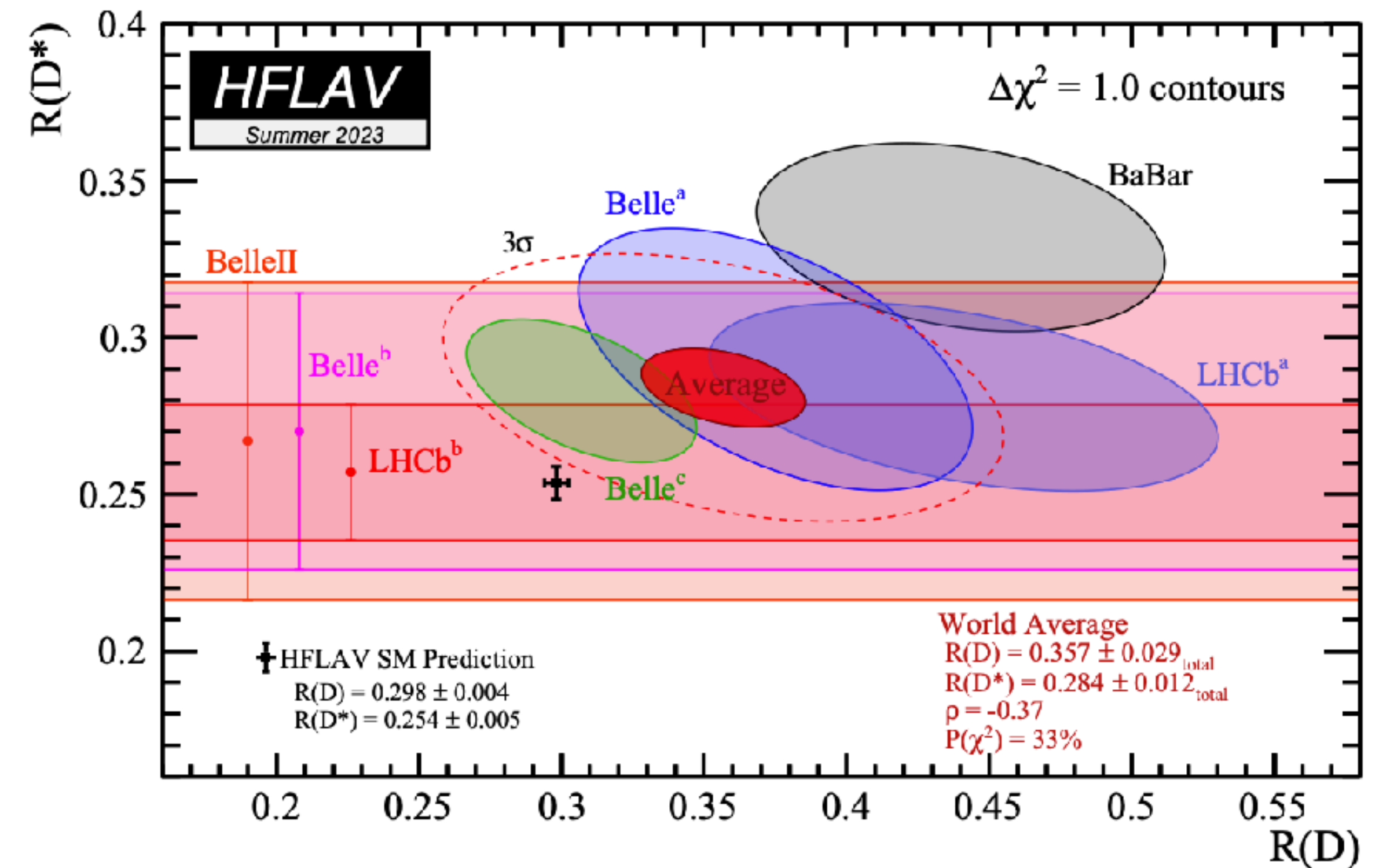
Belle 2023  
With various FF parameterizations  
and LQCD inputs

Take home message: **Vcb is theory dependent**

# Status of the $b \rightarrow c\ell\nu$ anomalies and recent data

## LFUV tests

- $R_{D^{(*)}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau\bar{\nu})}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\ell\bar{\nu})}, \quad \ell = \mu, e$
- Longstanding tension  $\sim 3\sigma$ , hinting at LFUV
- Particularly interesting in the light of hints of LFUV in neutral current B decays No LFUV in neutral current B decays anymore, but some  $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$  anomalies are still standing.
- Ratios of  $\text{BR}(b \rightarrow c\ell\nu)$  are independent of  $V_{cb}$  but depend on the form factor parametrization
- Hence in a global fit including  $R_D$ - $R_{D^*}$  and BRs must be consistent in the f.f. parametrization



# Status of the $b \rightarrow c \ell \nu$ anomalies and recent data

## LFUV tests

- Other ratios are now available:

LHCb 2022:  $\mathcal{R}(\Lambda_c^+) = 0.242 \pm 0.026 \pm 0.040 \pm 0.059,$   $R(\Lambda_c^+)_{\text{SM}} = 0.332 \pm 0.008$

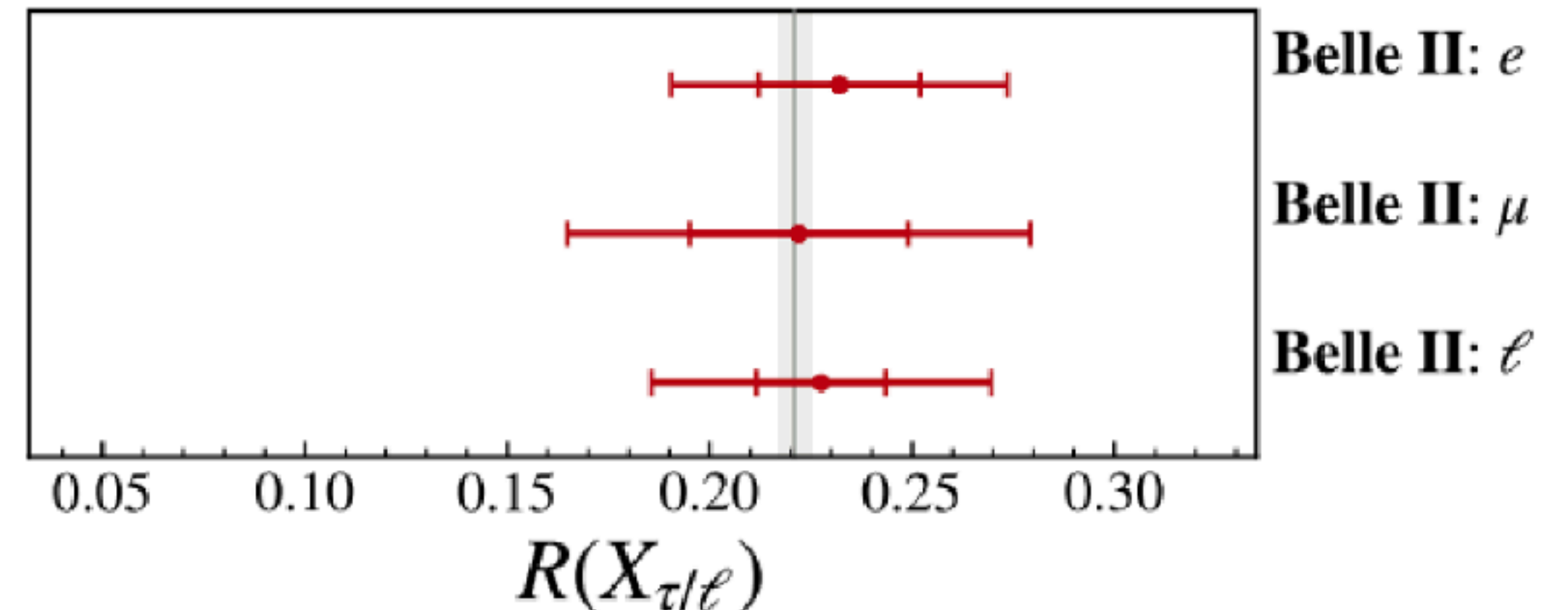
LHCb 2017:  $\mathcal{R}(J/\psi) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu)} = 0.71 \pm 0.17 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.18 \text{ (syst)}.$   $R(J/\psi)_{\text{SM}} = 0.259 \pm 0.004$

CMS 2023:  $R(J/\psi) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu)} = 0.17^{+0.18}_{-0.17} \text{ (stat.)}^{+0.21}_{-0.22} \text{ (syst.)}^{+0.19}_{-0.18} \text{ (theo.)} = 0.17 \pm 0.33,$

Belle II 2023:  $R(X_c) \equiv \frac{B(B_c \rightarrow X_c \tau \nu)}{B(B_c \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu)}$

SM prediction

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# Global fits for $b \rightarrow c l \nu$

EFT assuming NP in the tau sector only

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} \left[ (1 + C_{V_L}) O_{V_L}^\tau + C_{V_R} O_{V_R}^\tau \right. \\ \left. + C_{S_R} O_{S_R}^\tau + C_{S_L} O_{S_L}^\tau + C_T O_T^\tau \right],$$

$$O_{V_{L,R}}^\tau = (\bar{c} \gamma^\mu P_{L,R} b) (\bar{\tau} \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_\tau)$$

$$O_{S_{L,R}}^\tau = (\bar{c} P_{L,R} b) (\bar{\tau} P_L \nu_\tau),$$

$$O_T^\tau = (\bar{c} \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_L b) (\bar{\tau} \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_L \nu_\tau).$$

Observables can conveniently be expressed in polynomials of WCs

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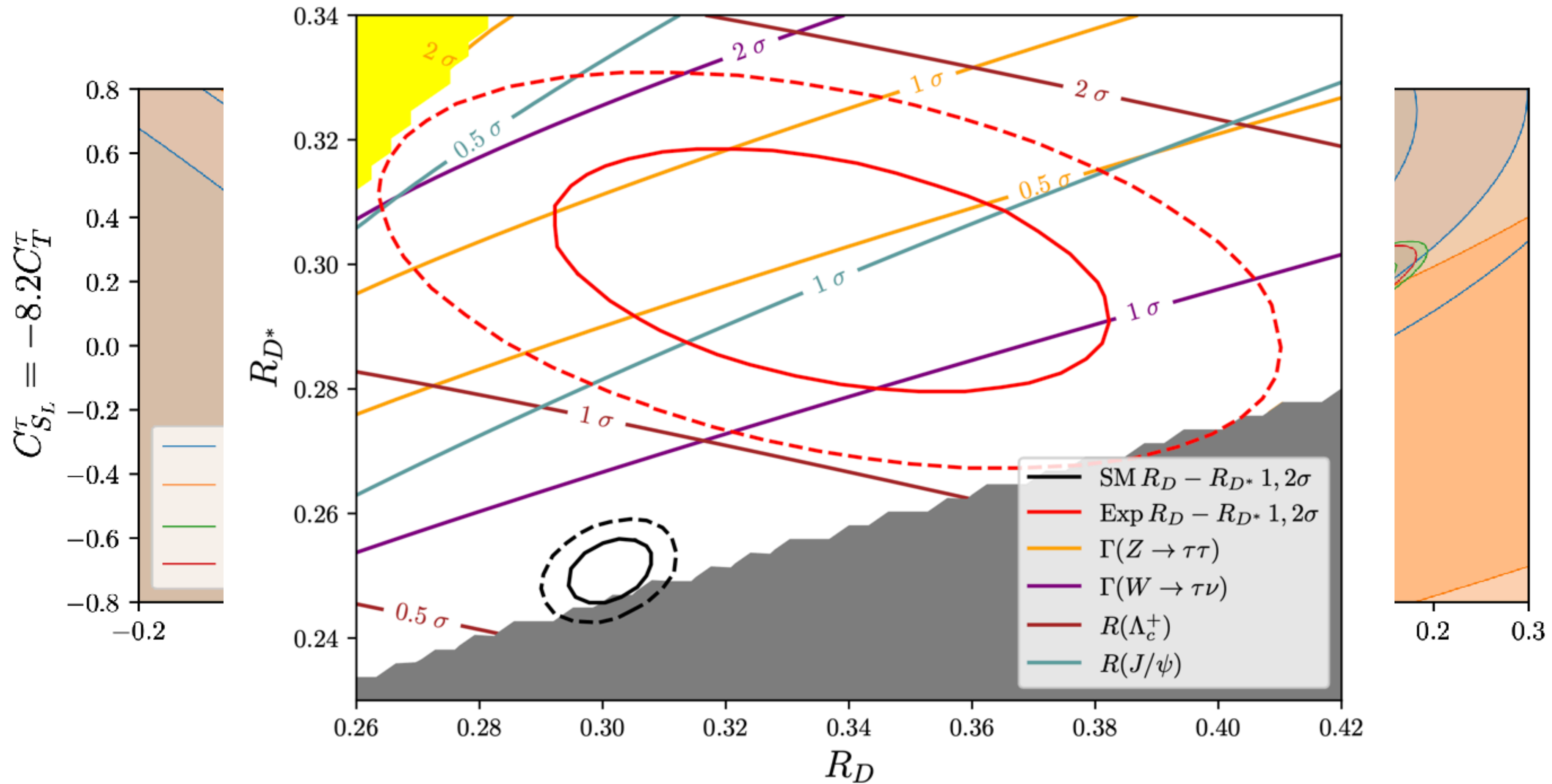
## Available data

Observable	Measurement
$R_D$	BaBar [403], Belle [183, 404]
$R_{D^*}$	BaBar [403], Belle [183, 404, 405], LHCb [406, 407]
$F_L(B_0 \rightarrow D^* \tau \bar{\nu})$	Belle [408]
$\text{BR}(B_c \rightarrow \tau \nu)$	LEP [409]
$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \bar{\nu})$	BaBar [403], Belle [183]
$R_{J/\psi}$	LHCb [195]
$R_{\Lambda_c}$	LHCb [197]

+ 2023 data: CMS  $R(J/\psi)$ , Belle II  $R(X_c)$ ,  $R(D^*)$

# Global fits for $b \rightarrow c l \nu$

## Preliminary plots



# To do

- State-of-the-art global fit of WET WCs of  $b \rightarrow c\ell\nu$
- Study the impact of f.f. parametrization on the fit result, account for it as a systematic uncertainty

In collaboration with Peter Stangl and Marzia Bordone

# Inclusive prediction for $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}$

• From the optical theorem:

$$\Gamma_{tot} = \frac{1}{m_B} \text{Im} \int d^4x \left\langle B(p) \left| T \left\{ \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^\dagger(x) \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}(0) \right\} \right| B(p) \right\rangle$$

- HQE :  $\sum_{n,i} \frac{1}{m_b^n} \mathcal{C}_{n,i} \mathcal{O}_{n+3,i}$
- $\mathcal{C}_{n,i} \propto y_i, z_i$  calculated perturbatively
- $\left\langle B(p) \left| \mathcal{O}_{n+3,i} \right| B(p) \right\rangle$  are non perturbative
  - Need to be determined with e.g. LQCD
  - Can be extracted from data
  - Large n -> loss predictive power

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma = & |V_{cb}|^2 \frac{G_F^2 m_b^5(\mu)}{192\pi^3} \eta_{\text{ew}} \times \\ & \left[ z_0^{(0)}(r) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} z_0^{(1)}(r) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} \right)^2 z_0^{(2)}(r) + \dots \right. \\ & + \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{m_b^2} \left( z_2^{(0)}(r) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} z_2^{(1)}(r) + \dots \right) \\ & + \frac{\mu_G^2}{m_b^2} \left( y_2^{(0)}(r) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} y_2^{(1)}(r) + \dots \right) \\ & + \frac{\rho_D^3}{m_b^3} \left( z_3^{(0)}(r) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} z_3^{(1)}(r) + \dots \right) \\ & \left. + \frac{\rho_{\text{LS}}^3}{m_b^3} \left( y_3^{(0)}(r) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} y_3^{(1)}(r) + \dots \right) + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$r \equiv m_c/m_b$$



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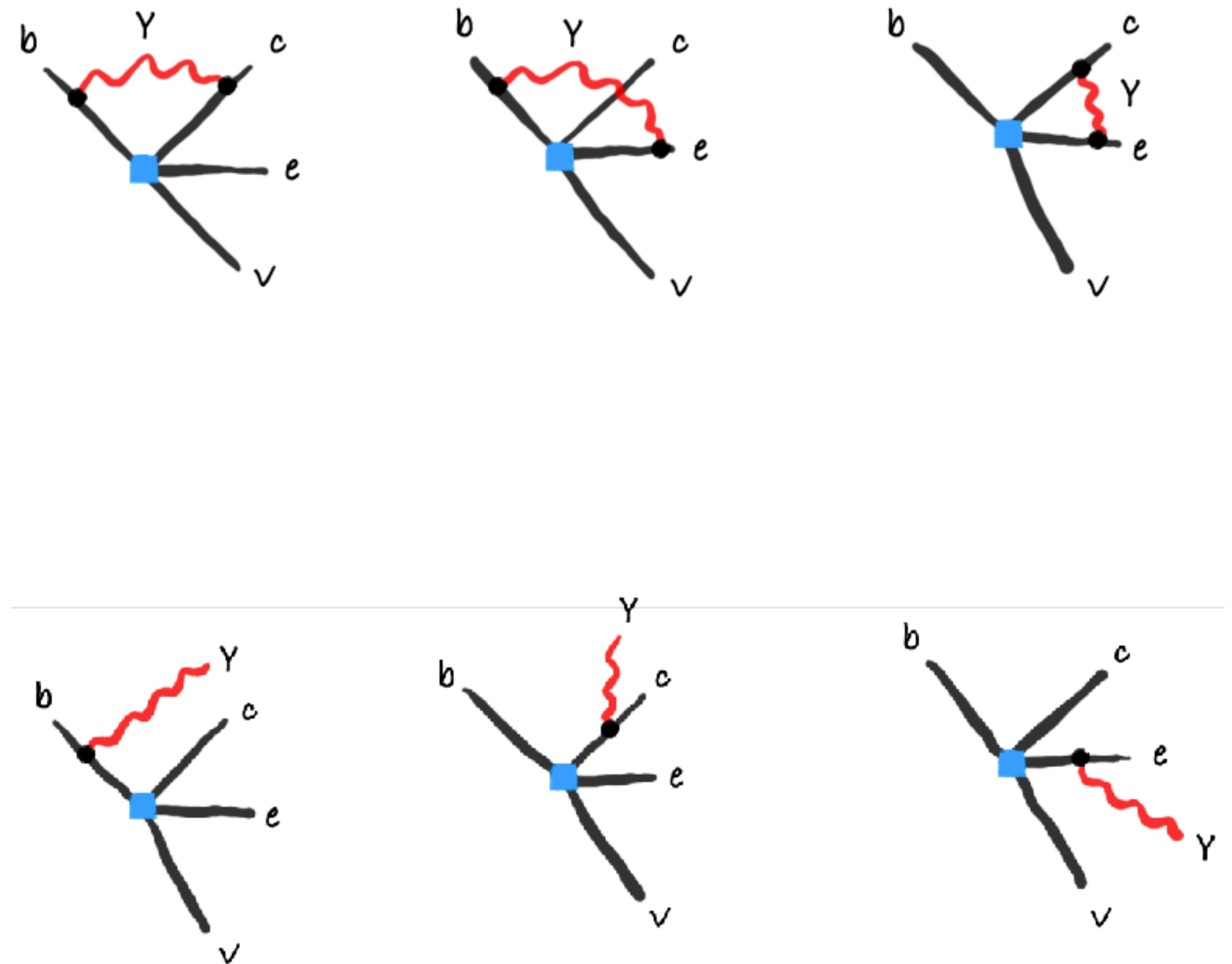
Parameters  $\mu_\pi, \mu_G, \rho_D, \rho_{LS}$  are the non-perturbative input.  
Can be fitted on the moments of the distributions of:  
charged-lepton energy, hadronic invariant mass, ...

$$\langle E_e^n \rangle_{E_e > E_{\text{cut}}} = \int_{E_{\text{cut}}}^{E_{\text{max}}} \frac{d\Gamma}{dE_e} E_e^n dE_e \Bigg/ \int_{E_{\text{cut}}}^{E_{\text{max}}} \frac{d\Gamma}{dE_e} dE_e .$$

# QED effects in inclusive semi-leptonic B decays

Bigi, Bordone, Gambino et al. - 2309.02849

- Compute soft QED  $O(\alpha)$  correction to  $B \rightarrow X_c e \nu$  including real and virtual corrections
- Improvement over PHOTOS which is currently used by BaBar and Belle to subtract photon radiation
- Roughly decrease the value of  $V_{cb}$  by 0.4 %

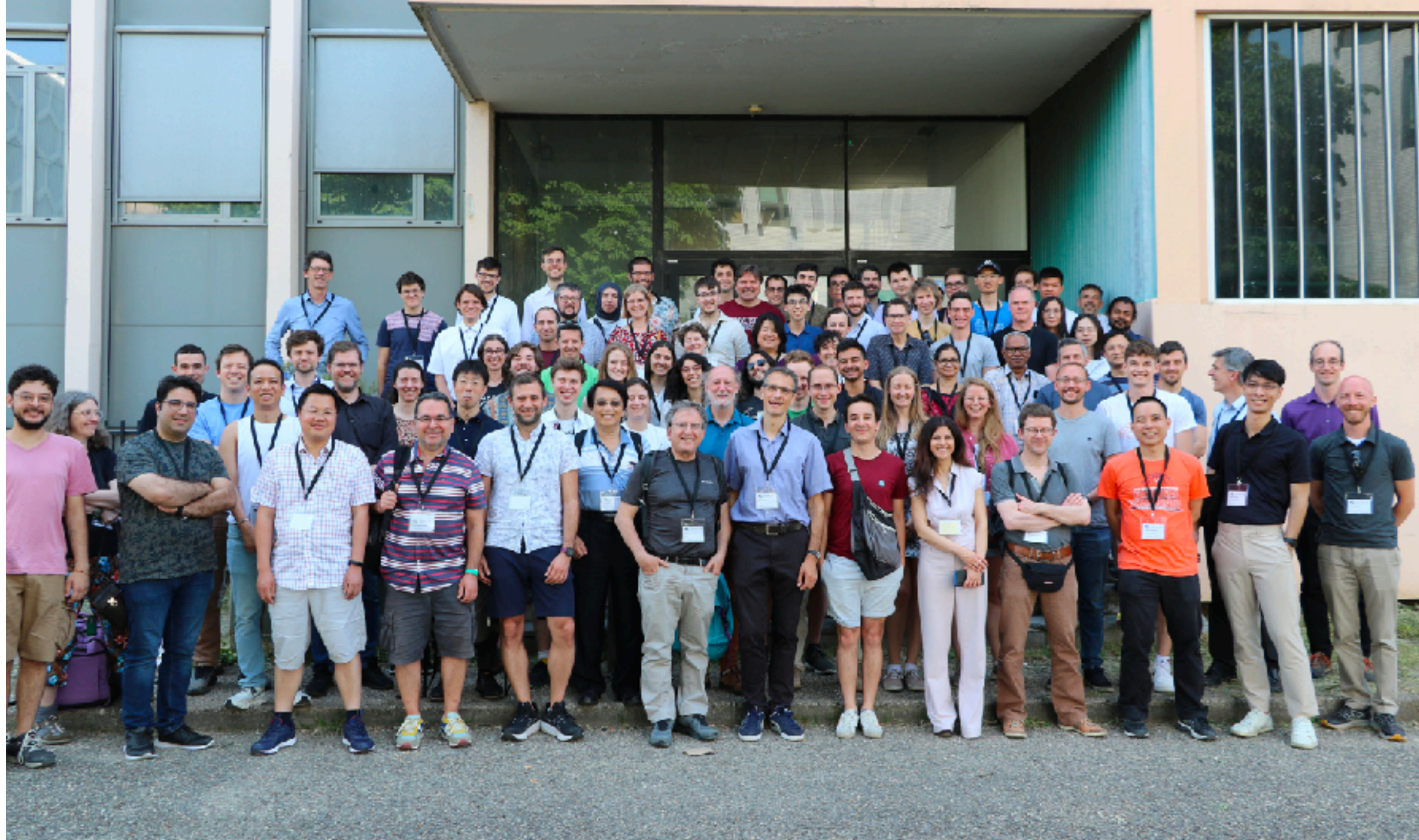


# To do

- **Inclusive Vcb:** Generalize the correction to the moments of the hadronic and leptonic invariant mass distribution, these moments play an important role in the HQE global fits to experimental data
- **Exclusive Vcb:** Similar computation needs to be done for EW and QED corrections to  $B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu$

In collaboration with Paolo Gambino and Martin Jung

# Thanks!



# The Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = Y_d^{ij} \bar{Q}_L^i H d_R^j + Y_u^{ij} \bar{Q}_L^i \tilde{H} u_R^j + \text{h.c.}$$

$$M_{\text{diag}}^f = V_L^f Y^f V_R^{f\dagger} (v/\sqrt{2}) \quad V_{\text{CKM}} \equiv V_L^u V_L^{d\dagger}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} \supset (\bar{u} \quad \bar{c} \quad \bar{t}) \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \Gamma^\mu \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix} W_\mu^+$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda^2/2 & \lambda & A\lambda^3(\rho - i\eta) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \lambda^2/2 & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3(1 - \rho - i\eta) & -A\lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^4)$$

Wolfenstein parametrization

$$\bar{\rho} = \rho(1 - \lambda^2/2 + \dots)$$

$$\bar{\eta} = \eta(1 - \lambda^2/2 + \dots)$$

