



Anomalies in semileptonic B decays

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Outline

- brief overview/classification of flavour anomalies
- $R(D)$ & $R(D^*)$
- the case of V_{cb}
- new strategies to investigate semileptonic B decays

Based on P. Colangelo, FDF, PRD 2017
P. Colangelo, FDF, JHEP 2018

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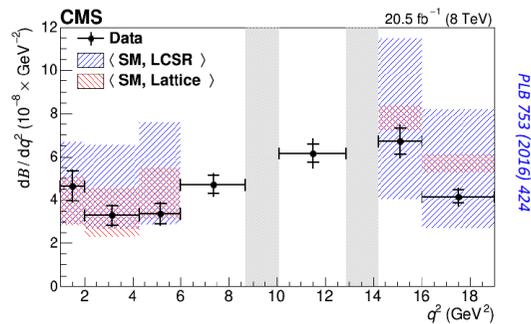
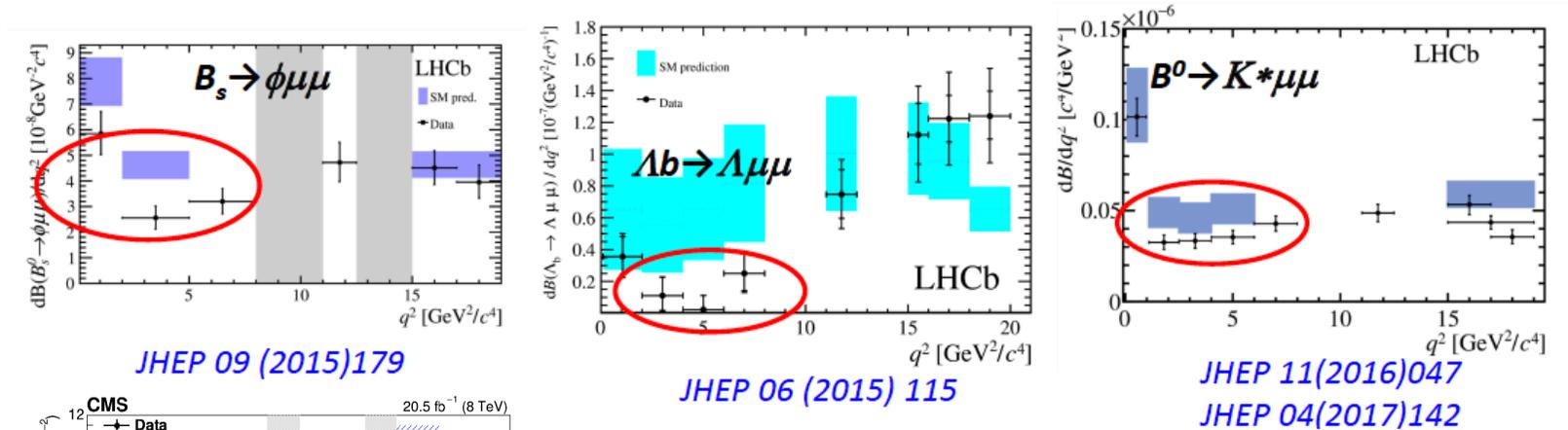
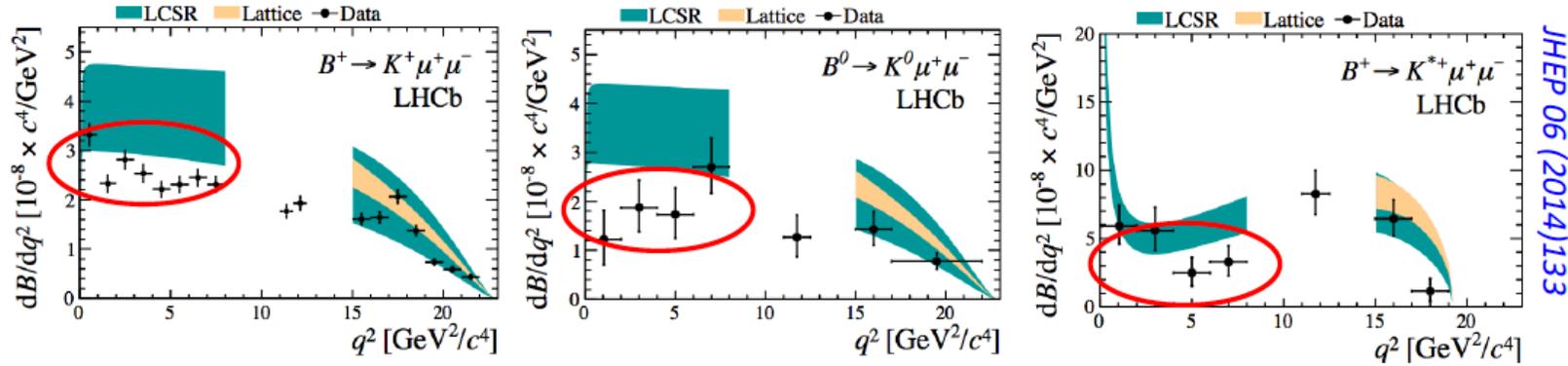
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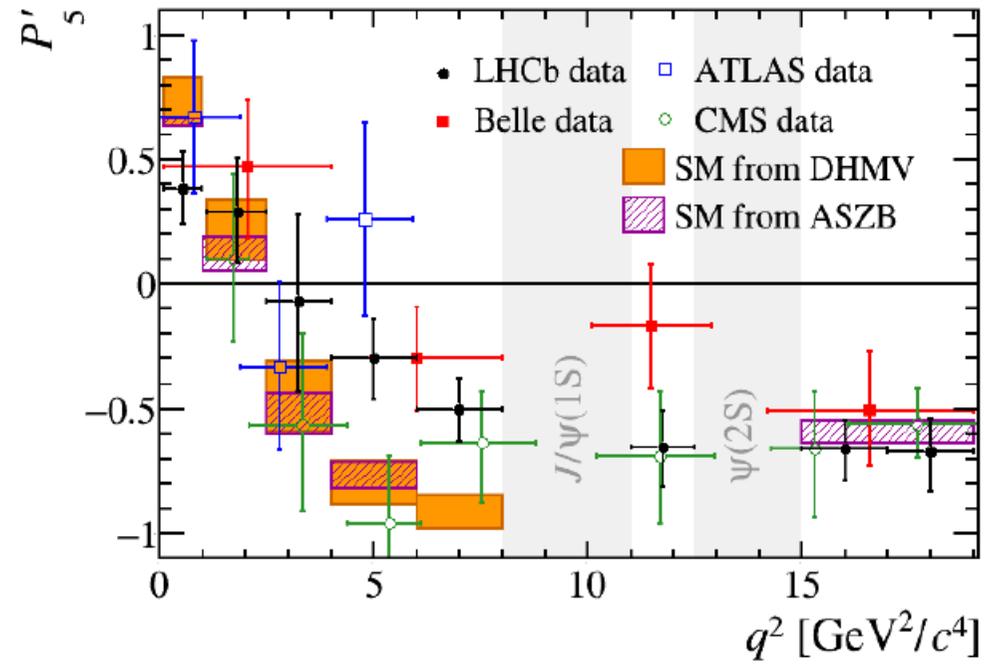
b-to-s $\mu^+\mu^-$: measured BR are lower than SM predictions

J. Serrano, talk @EPS2017



anomalies in loop-induced modes

anomaly in the angular analysis in $B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$



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anomalous μ/e universality ratios:

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S. Bifani et al. 1809.06229

Experiment (year)	H_s type	q^2 range [GeV ² /c ⁴]	Value
Belle (2009)	K	0.0 – kin. endpoint	$1.03 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.06$
Belle (2009)	K^*	0.0 – kin. endpoint	$0.83 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.08$
BaBar (2012)	K	0.10 – 8.12	$0.74^{+0.40}_{-0.31} \pm 0.06$
BaBar (2012)	K	> 10.11	$1.43^{+0.65}_{-0.44} \pm 0.12$
BaBar (2012)	K^*	0.10 – 8.12	$1.06^{+0.48}_{-0.33} \pm 0.08$
BaBar (2012)	K^*	> 10.11	$1.18^{+0.55}_{-0.37} \pm 0.11$
LHCb (2014)	K^+	1.0 – 6.0	$0.745^{+0.090}_{-0.074} \pm 0.036$
LHCb (2017)	K^{*0}	0.045 – 1.1	$0.66^{+0.11}_{-0.03} \pm 0.05$
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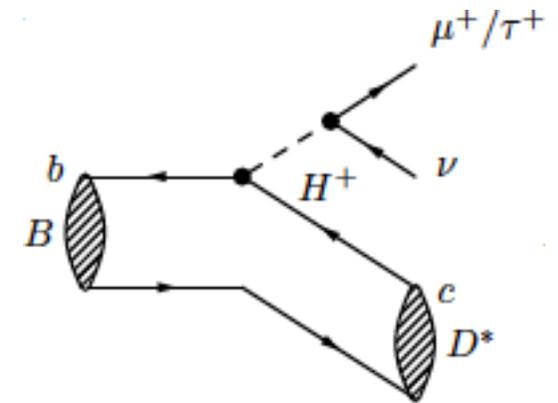
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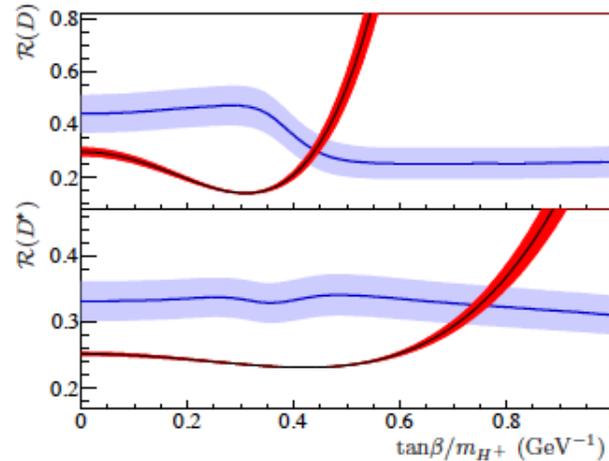
R(D^(*))

most “natural” explanation:
new scalars with couplings to leptons proportional to their mass

- would explain the enhancement of τ modes
- would enhance **both** semileptonic **and** purely leptonic modes



the simplest model (2HDM) excluded (BABAR):
no possibility to simultaneously reproduce R(D) and R(D^{*})



Data
 2HDM

many other explanations put forward....

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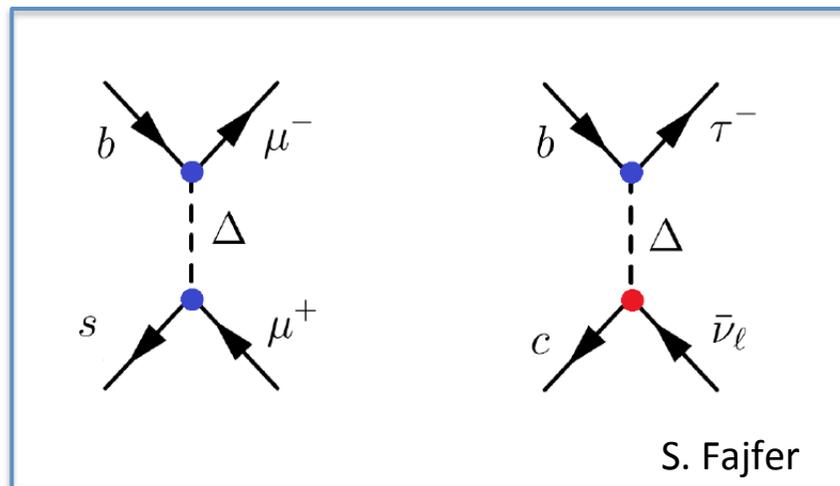
common solution to the R(K^(*)) tension -> new left-handed effective interaction

no effect observed in K, π decays -> NP mainly coupling to 3rd generation of q, ℓ

✧ new gauge bosons

✧ leptoquarks (scalar)

✧ leptoquarks (vector) -> may be either gauge bosons or vector mesons



$$R(D^{(*)})$$

- NP does not necessarily imply a unique mediator/a unique new structure
- bottom-up approach: no a priori identification of the model
consider the new possible structures
single out the most sensitive observables

τ lepton in the final state: allow to access more form factors
sensitive to the lepton mass

- consider a NP scenario that enhances semileptonic modes but not leptonic ones
- predict the effects in other modes

$$H_{eff} = H_{eff}^{SM} + H_{eff}^{NP} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} [\bar{c}\gamma_\mu(1 - \gamma_5)b \bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu(1 - \gamma_5)\bar{\nu}_\ell + \epsilon_T^\ell \bar{c}\sigma_{\mu\nu}(1 - \gamma_5)b \bar{\ell}\sigma^{\mu\nu}(1 - \gamma_5)\bar{\nu}_\ell]$$

SM

NP

charmed meson

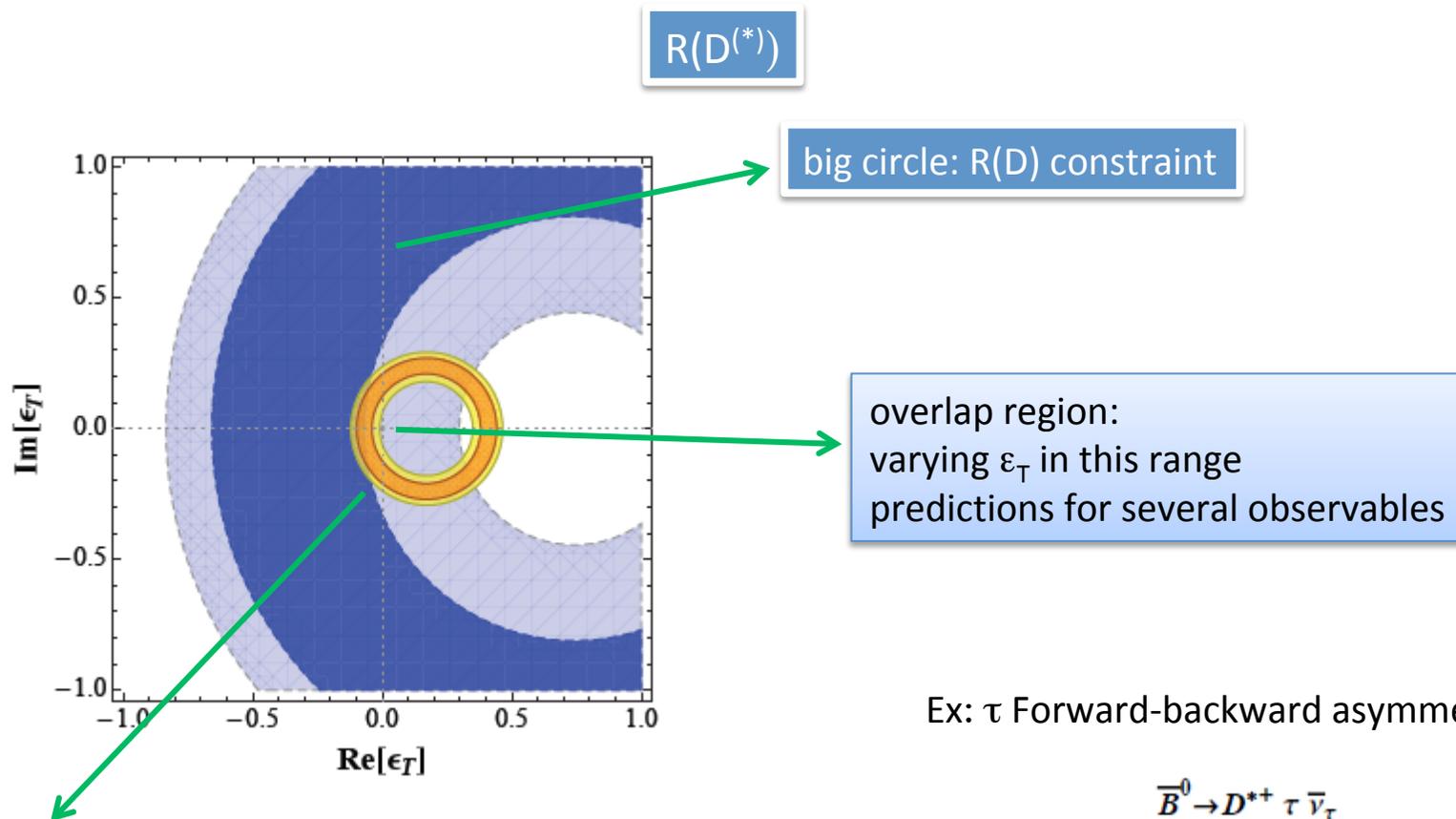
new complex coupling: $\epsilon_T^{\mu,e}=0, \epsilon_T^\tau \neq 0$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2}(B \rightarrow M_c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell) = C(q^2) \left[\frac{d\tilde{\Gamma}}{dq^2}(B \rightarrow M_c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell) \Big|_{SM} + \frac{d\tilde{\Gamma}}{dq^2}(B \rightarrow M_c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell) \Big|_{NP} + \frac{d\tilde{\Gamma}}{dq^2}(B \rightarrow M_c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell) \Big|_{INT} \right]$$

$$C(q^2) = \frac{G_F^2 |V_{cb}|^2 \lambda^{1/2}(m_B^2, m_{M_c}^2, q^2)}{192\pi^3 m_B^3} \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{q^2}\right)^2$$

$$\propto |\epsilon_T|^2$$

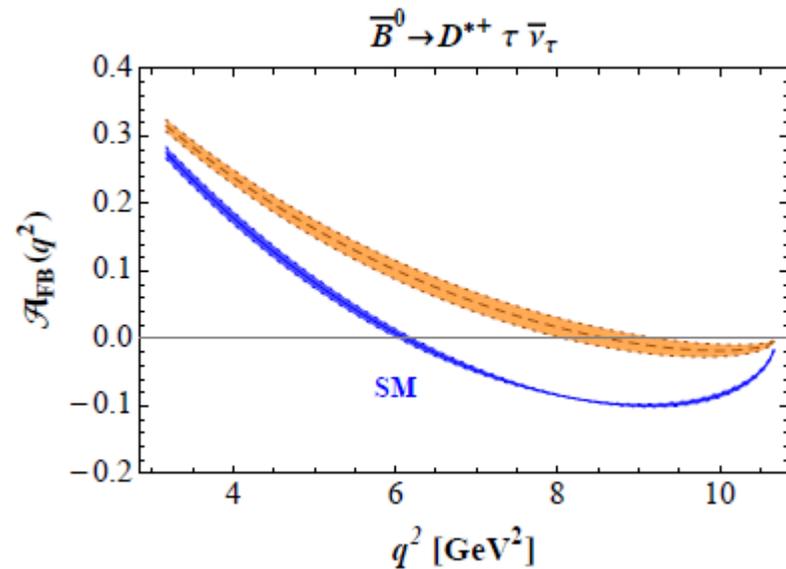
$$\propto \text{Re}(\epsilon_T)$$



small circle: $R(D^*)$ constraint

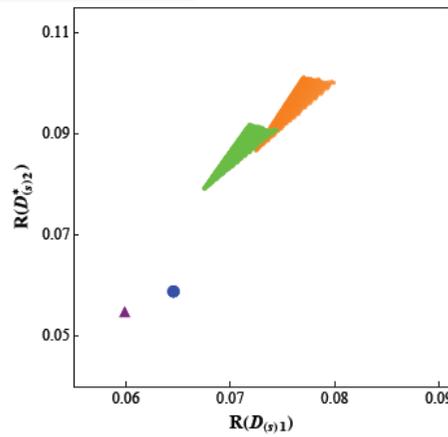
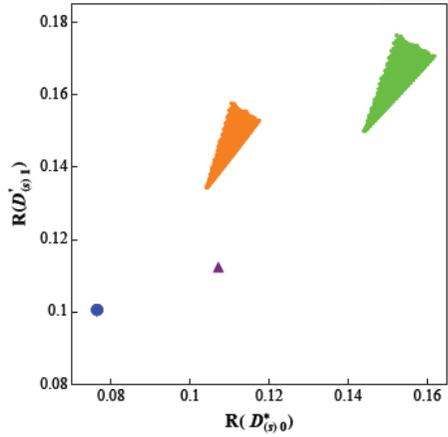
SM predicts a zero at $q^2 \approx 6.15 \text{ GeV}^2$
 in NP the zero is shifted to $q^2 \in [8.1, 9.3] \text{ GeV}^2$

Ex: τ Forward-backward asymmetry





D^{**} = positive parity excited charmed mesons

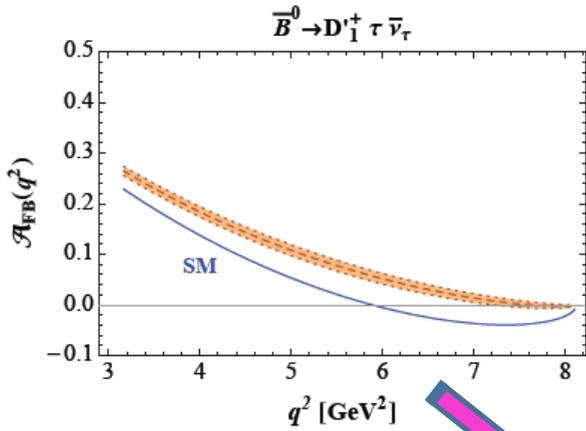


orange = non strange
 blue circle = SM
 green = strange
 triangle = SM

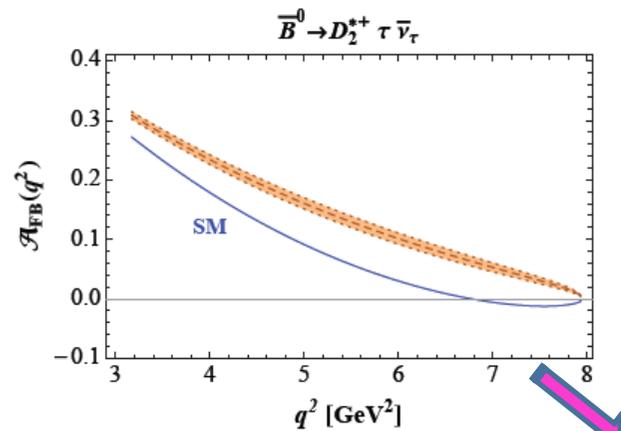


the inclusion of the tensor operator produces an increase in the ratios

forward-backward asymmetries



shift in the position of the zero



the zero disappears

$|V_{cb}|$

exclusive determinations from B systematically smaller than inclusive ones

$$|V_{cb}|_{\text{excl}}^{D^*} = (39.27 \pm 0.56_{\text{th}} \pm 0.49_{\text{exp}}) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$|V_{cb}|_{\text{excl}}^D = (40.85 \pm 0.98) \times 10^{-3}$$

} Aoki et al. (lattice)

$$|V_{cb}|_{\text{incl}} = (42.46 \pm 0.88) \times 10^{-3}$$

HFAG

are the tensions in $|V_{cb}|$ and $R(D^{(*)})$ related?

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if massless leptons are considered



- **at zero recoil** no interference between SM and NP contributions
- the NP effect is the same in all modes

- include a new tensor operator in H_{eff}
- relax the assumption that it contributes only for τ lepton
- non vanishing m_ℓ $\ell=e,\mu,\tau$ and $m_e \neq m_\mu$

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} [\bar{c}\gamma_\mu(1-\gamma_5)b\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu(1-\gamma_5)\bar{\nu}_\ell + \epsilon_T^\ell \bar{c}\sigma_{\mu\nu}(1-\gamma_5)b\bar{\ell}\sigma^{\mu\nu}(1-\gamma_5)\bar{\nu}_\ell]$$

new structure-> new coupling

Inclusive $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu_\ell$ decay

Heavy Quark Expansion $\rightarrow \Gamma(H_Q)$ as series in powers of m_Q^{-1}

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\hat{q}^2} = C(q^2) \left[\left. \frac{d\tilde{\Gamma}}{d\hat{q}^2} \right|_{\text{SM}} + |\epsilon_T|^2 \left. \frac{d\tilde{\Gamma}}{d\hat{q}^2} \right|_{\text{NP}} + \text{Re}(\epsilon_T) \left. \frac{d\tilde{\Gamma}}{d\hat{q}^2} \right|_{\text{INT}} \right]$$

$$\hat{q}^2 = \frac{q^2}{m_b^2}$$

each of the three terms expanded in m_b^{-1}
 α_s corrections included in the SM term

- prediction depends on $|V_{cb}|$ and on the complex parameter ϵ_T^ℓ :
three-parameter space

$$(\text{Re}(\epsilon_T^\ell), \text{Im}(\epsilon_T^\ell), |V_{cb}|)$$

- non vanishing lepton mass - distinguish between e and μ

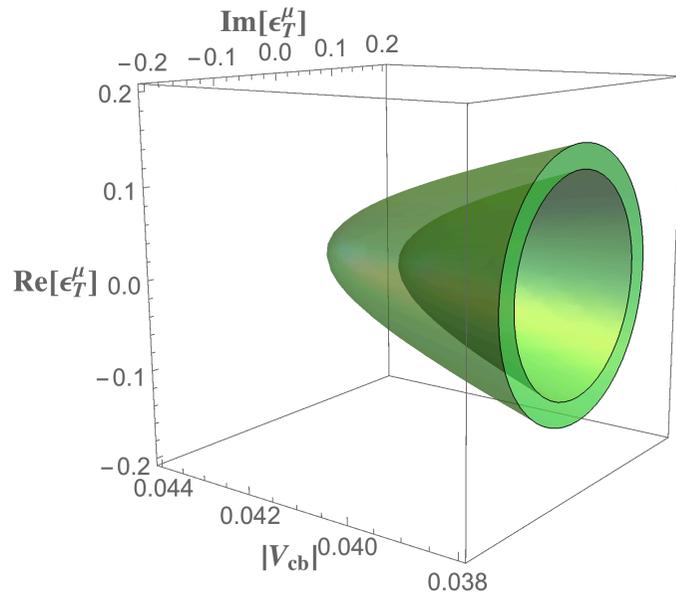
- result to be compared to experiment

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow X_c e^+ \nu_e) = (10.8 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-2}$$

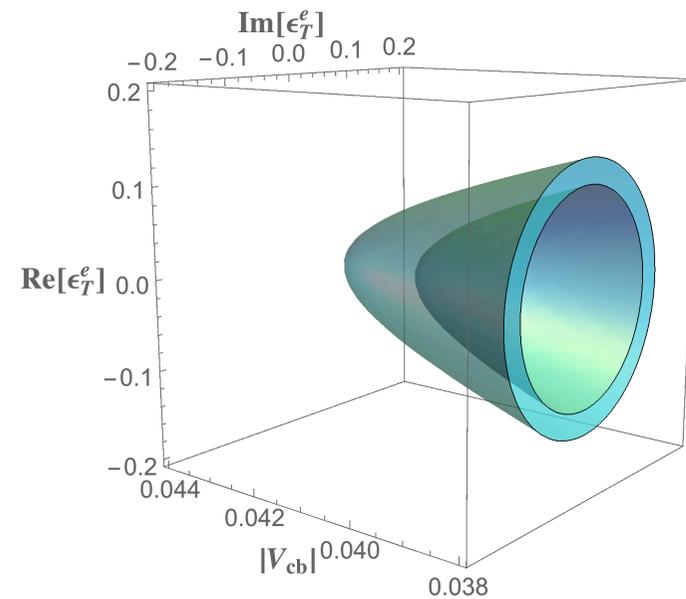
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allowed regions

comparison with data at 1σ



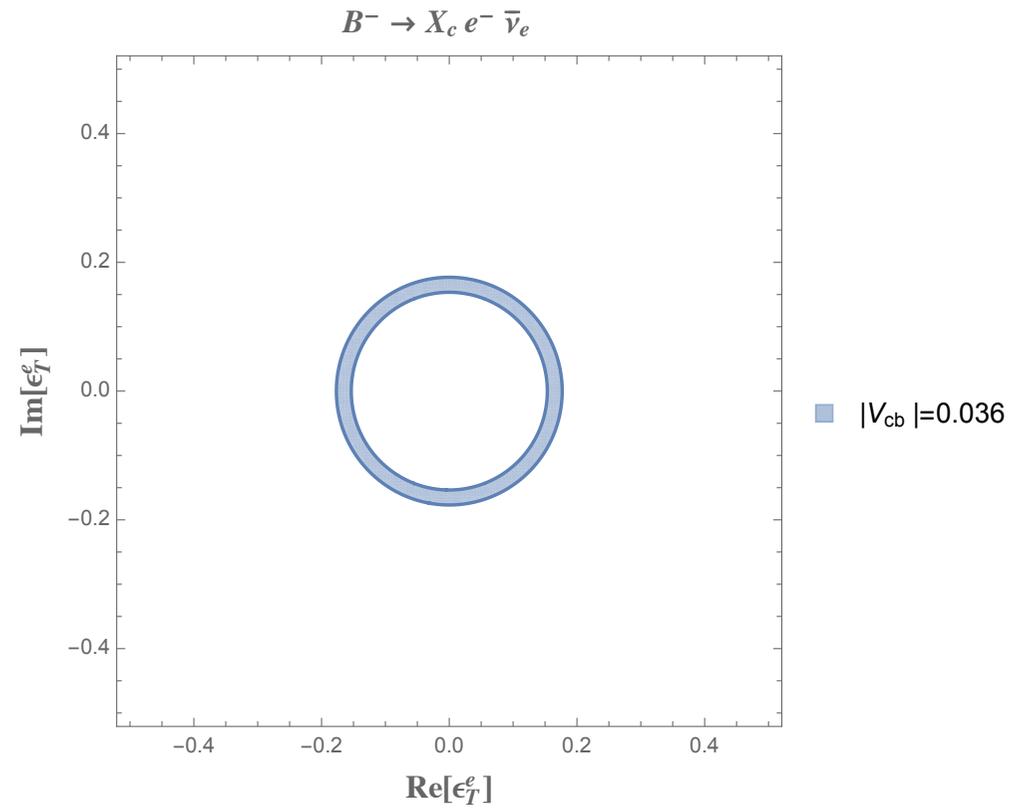
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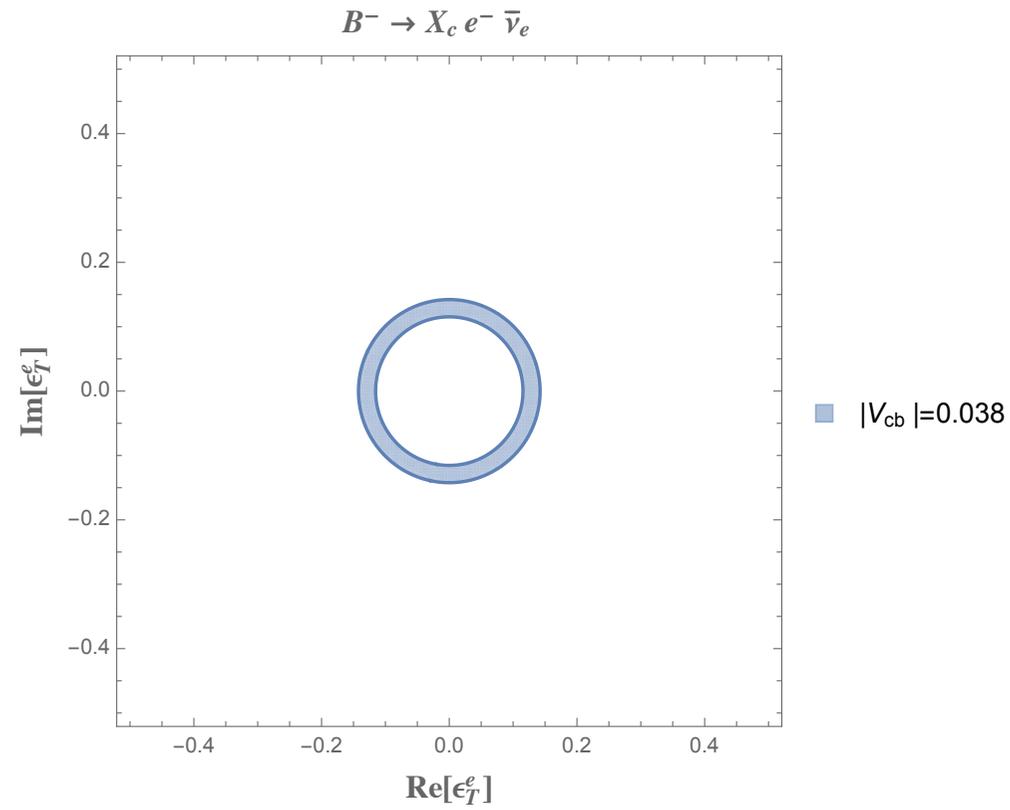
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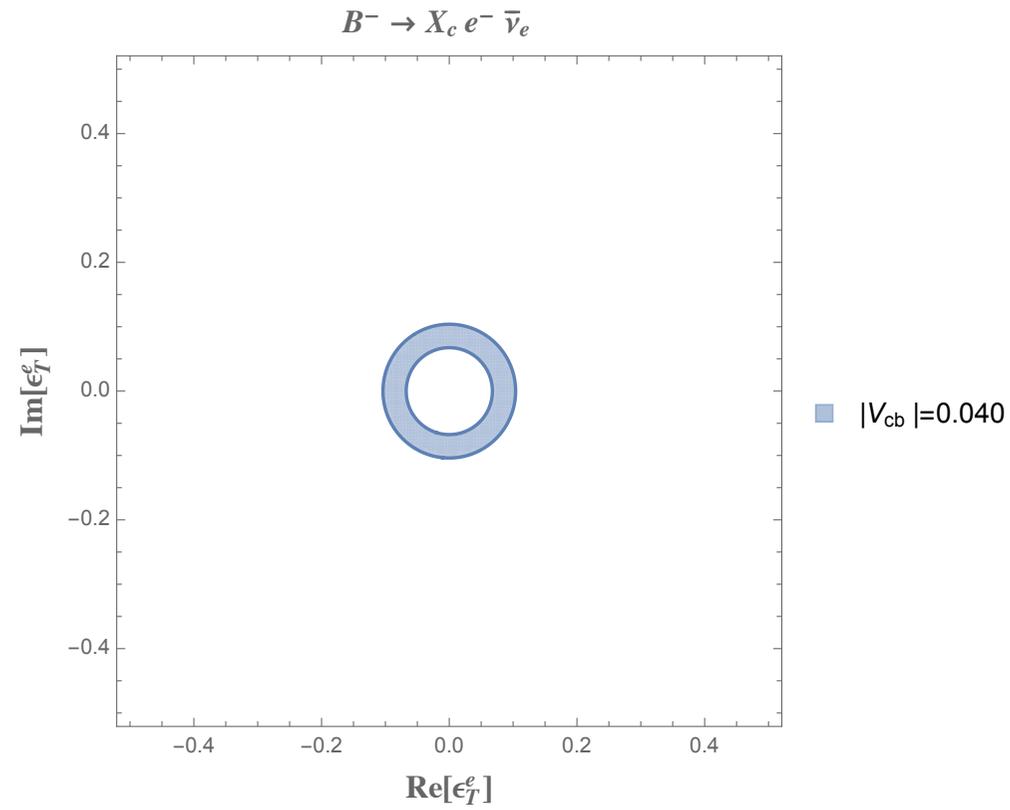
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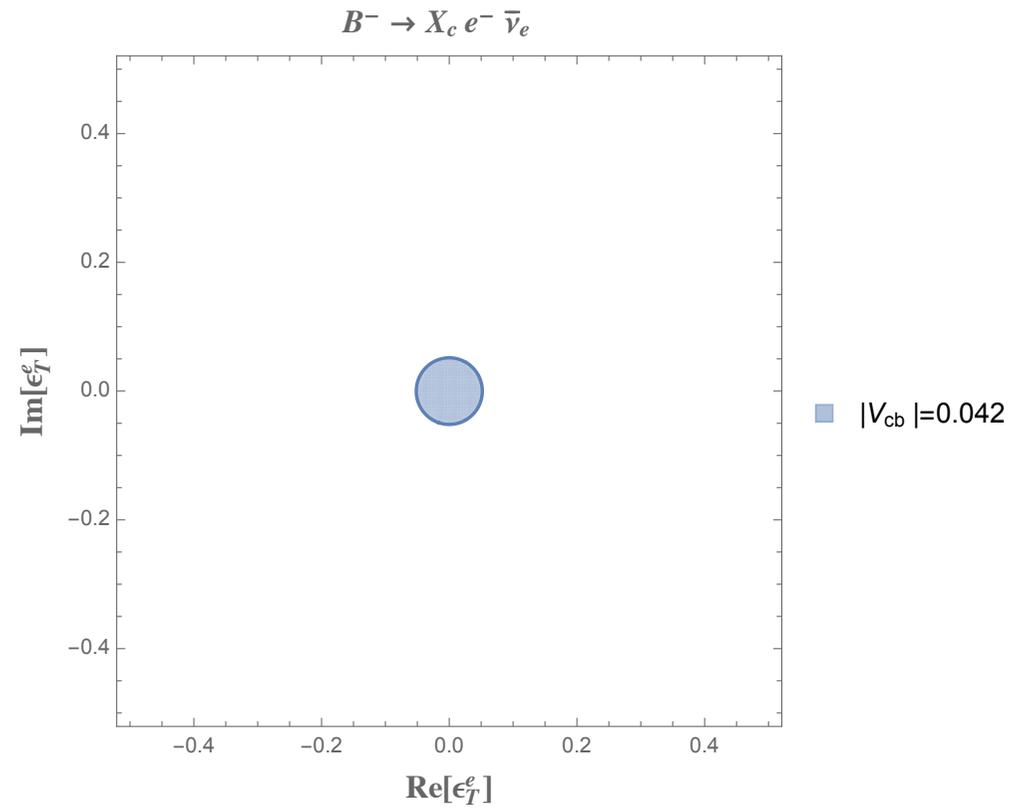
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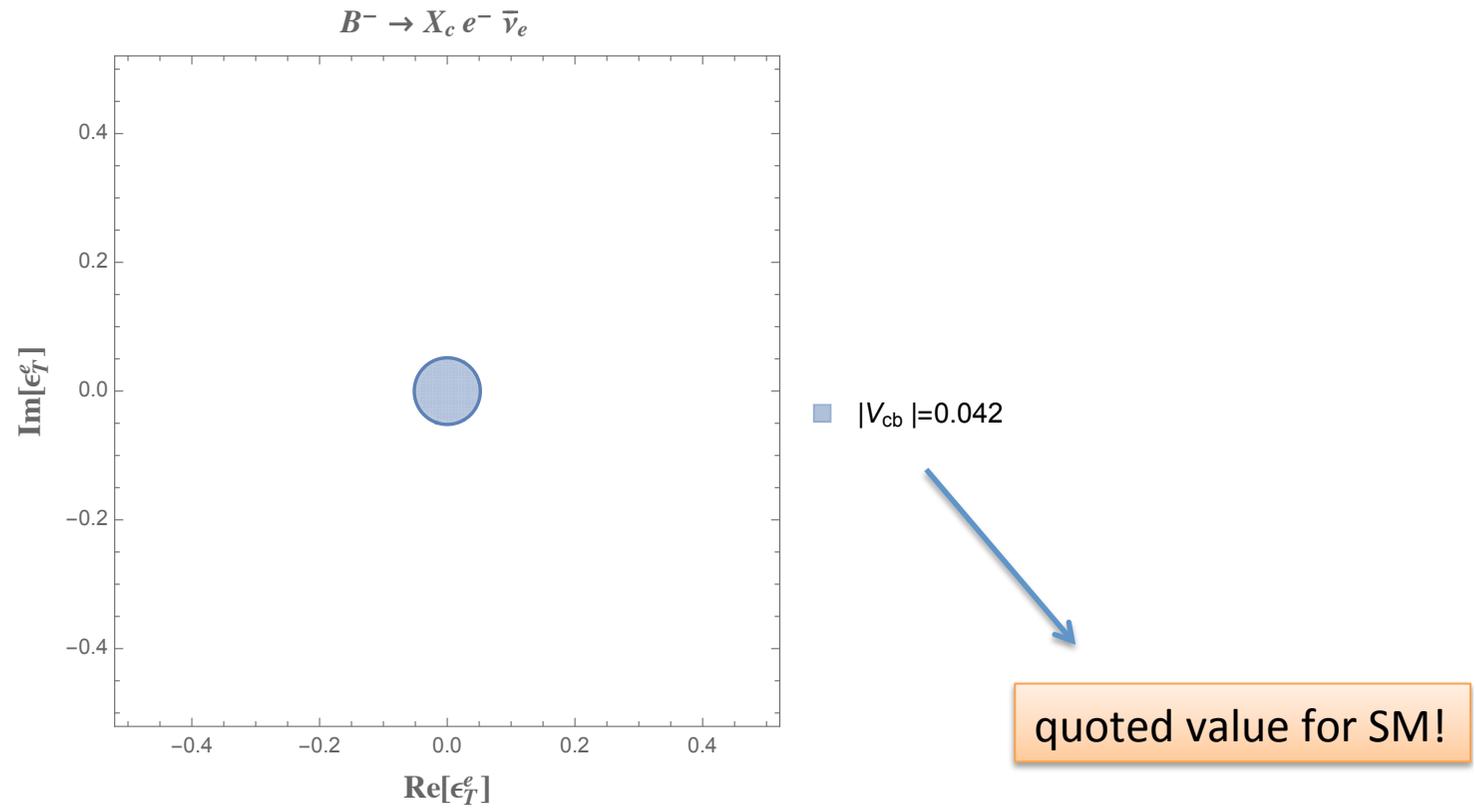
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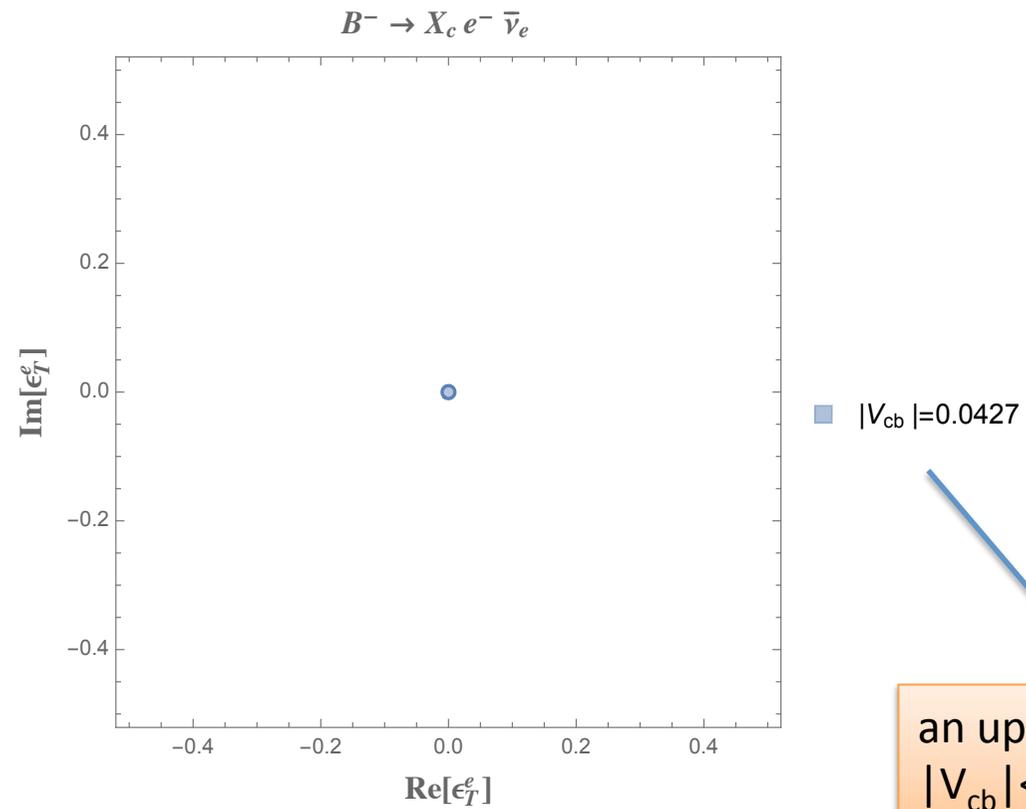
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- $B \rightarrow D$ and $B \rightarrow D^*$
- two sets of form factors: one for each structure in H_{eff}
- experimental data specific for e and μ available

B → D ℓ ν_ℓ

$$\begin{aligned} \langle D(p') | \bar{c} \gamma_\mu b | B(p) \rangle &= F_1(q^2) (p + p')_\mu + \frac{m_B^2 - m_D^2}{q^2} [F_0(q^2) - F_1(q^2)] q_\mu \\ \langle D(p') | \bar{c} \sigma_{\mu\nu} (1 - \gamma_5) b | B(p) \rangle &= \frac{F_T(q^2)}{m_B + m_D} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p'^\alpha p^\beta + i \frac{G_T(q^2)}{m_B + m_D} (p_\mu p'_\nu - p_\nu p'_\mu) \end{aligned}$$

HQ relations: all form factors in terms of the Isgur Wise

- m_b^{-1} and α_s corrections known for F_1 and F_0
- leading order relations for F_T and G_T

M. Neubert,
Phys. Rep. 245 (1994) 259
I. Caprini, L. Lellouch, M. Neubert,
NPB 530 (1998) 153



- F_1 and F_0 from lattice
- HQ relations to derive F_T and G_T from F_1, F_0

J.A. Bailey et al.,
PRD 89 (2014) 114504

Compare to experiment:

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D^0 \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu) = (2.25 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-2}$$

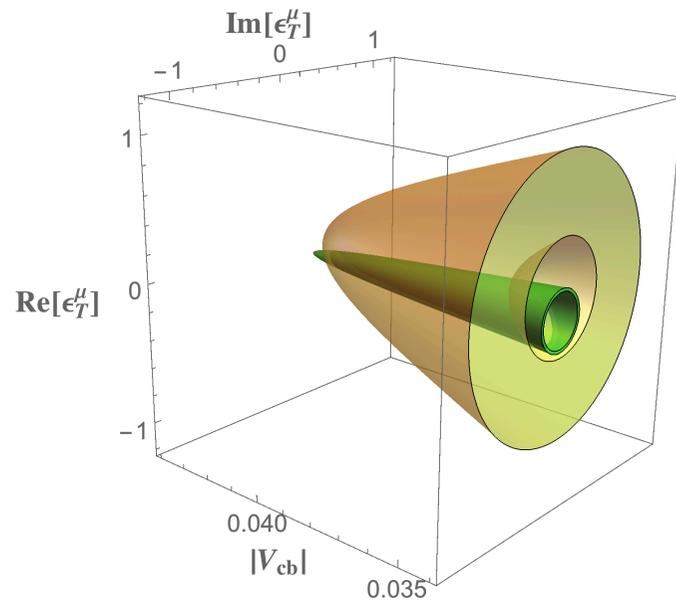
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BABAR Collab.,
PRD 79 (2009) 012002

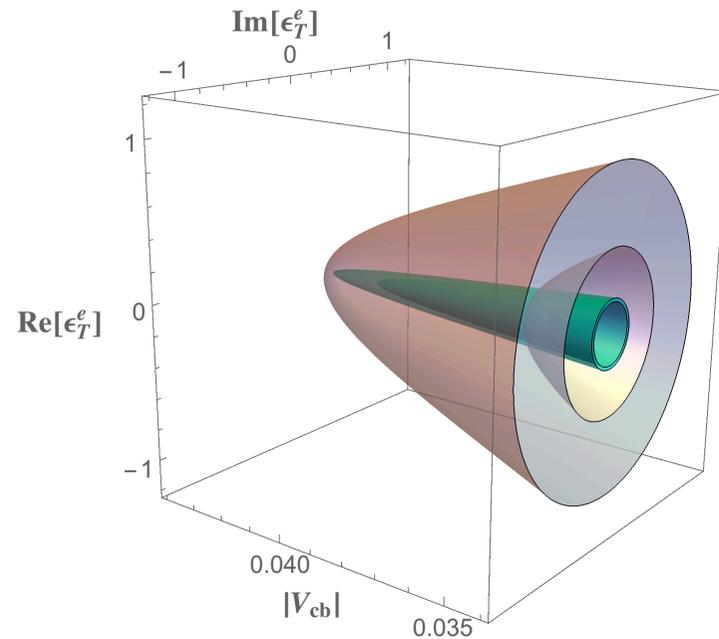
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μ channel



e channel

inner regions: inclusive
outer regions: exclusive

role of the lepton mass:
the symmetry axes of the two regions do not coincide in the case of μ ,
they are almost coincident for e

B → D* ℓ ν̄ℓ

procedure adopted by BaBar

$$q^2 = m_B^2 + m_{D^{(*)}}^2 - 2m_B m_{D^{(*)}} w$$

BABAR, PRD79, 012002 (2009)

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dw}(B \rightarrow D^* \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell) = \frac{G_F^2 |V_{cb}|^2 m_B^5}{48\pi^3} (1 - r^*)^2 r^{*3} W_{D^*}(w) h_{A_1}^2(w) \sqrt{w^2 - 1} (w + 1)^2 \left\{ \left[1 + (1 - R_2(w)) \frac{w - 1}{1 - r^*} \right]^2 + 2 \left[\frac{1 - 2wr^* + r^{*2}}{(1 - r^*)^2} \right] \left[1 + R_1(w)^2 \frac{w - 1}{w + 1} \right] \right\}$$

$$R_2(w) = R_1(1) + 0.11(w - 1) - 0.06(w - 1)^2 \quad R_1(w) = R_1(1) - 0.12(w - 1) + 0.05(w - 1)^2$$

$$h_{A_1}(w) = h_{A_1}(1) [1 - 8\hat{\rho}^2 z + (53\hat{\rho}^2 - 15)z^2 - (231\hat{\rho}^2 - 91)z^3]$$

Parameters	<i>De</i> sample	<i>Dμ</i> sample	Combined result
ρ_D^2	1.22 ± 0.05 ± 0.10	1.10 ± 0.07 ± 0.10	1.16 ± 0.04 ± 0.08
$\rho_{D^*}^2$	1.34 ± 0.05 ± 0.09	1.33 ± 0.06 ± 0.09	1.33 ± 0.04 ± 0.09
R_1	1.59 ± 0.09 ± 0.15	1.53 ± 0.10 ± 0.17	1.56 ± 0.07 ± 0.15
R_2	0.67 ± 0.07 ± 0.10	0.68 ± 0.08 ± 0.10	0.66 ± 0.05 ± 0.09
$\mathcal{B}(D^0 \ell \bar{\nu})$ (%)	2.38 ± 0.04 ± 0.15	2.25 ± 0.04 ± 0.17	2.32 ± 0.03 ± 0.13
$\mathcal{B}(D^{*0} \ell \bar{\nu})$ (%)	5.50 ± 0.05 ± 0.23	5.34 ± 0.06 ± 0.37	5.48 ± 0.04 ± 0.22
χ^2 /n.d.f. (probability)	416/468 (0.96)	488/464 (0.21)	2.0/6 (0.92)

$$h_{A_1}^e(1) |V_{cb}| = (35.94 \pm 1.65) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$h_{A_1}^\mu(1) |V_{cb}| = (35.63 \pm 1.96) \times 10^{-3}$$

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

compare experiment to theory when $w \rightarrow 1$:

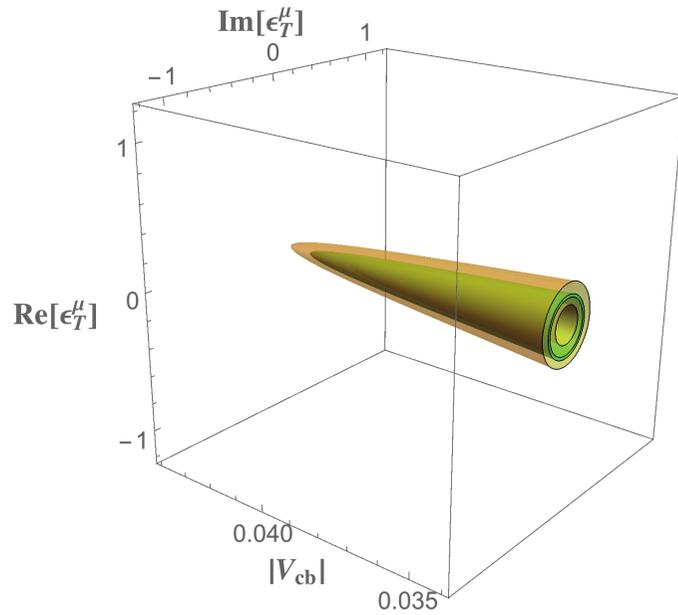
$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d\Gamma^{\text{th}}}{dw}(B^- \rightarrow D^{*0} \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell)|_{w \rightarrow 1} \\ &= \frac{G_F^2 |V_{cb}|^2 m_{D^*}^2}{16\sqrt{2}\pi^3 m_B} \sqrt{w-1} \left[1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{(m_B - m_{D^*})^2} \right]^2 \\ & \times \{ (m_B + m_{D^*})^2 [2(m_B - m_{D^*})^2 + m_\ell^2] A_1(1)^2 \\ & + |\epsilon_T|^2 4[(m_B - m_{D^*})^2 + 2m_\ell^2] [m_B \tilde{T}_1(1) + m_{D^*} \tilde{T}_2(1)]^2 \\ & - 12 \text{Re}(\epsilon_T) (m_B^2 - m_{D^*}^2) m_\ell A_1(1) [m_B \tilde{T}_1(1) + m_{D^*} \tilde{T}_2(1)] \} \end{aligned}$$

- $A_1(1)$ known from lattice
- the others from HQ relations

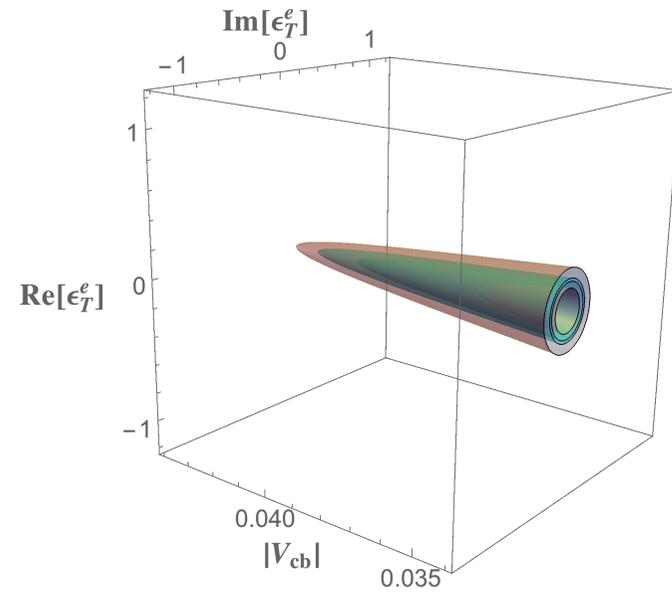
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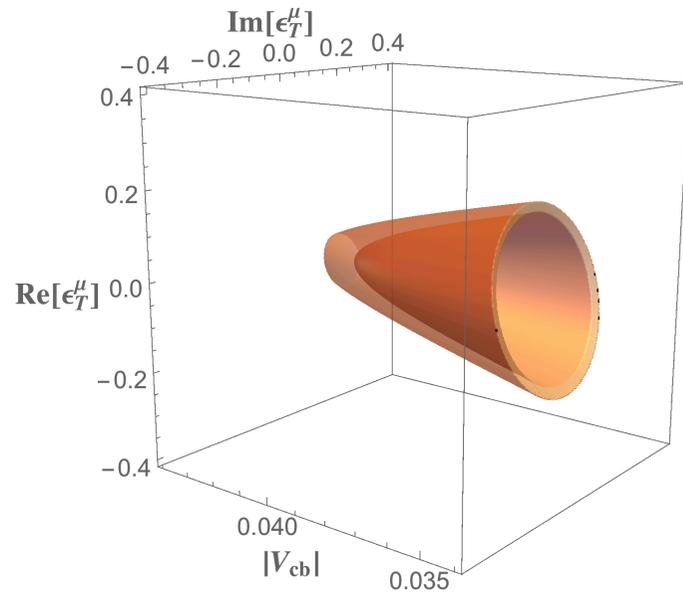
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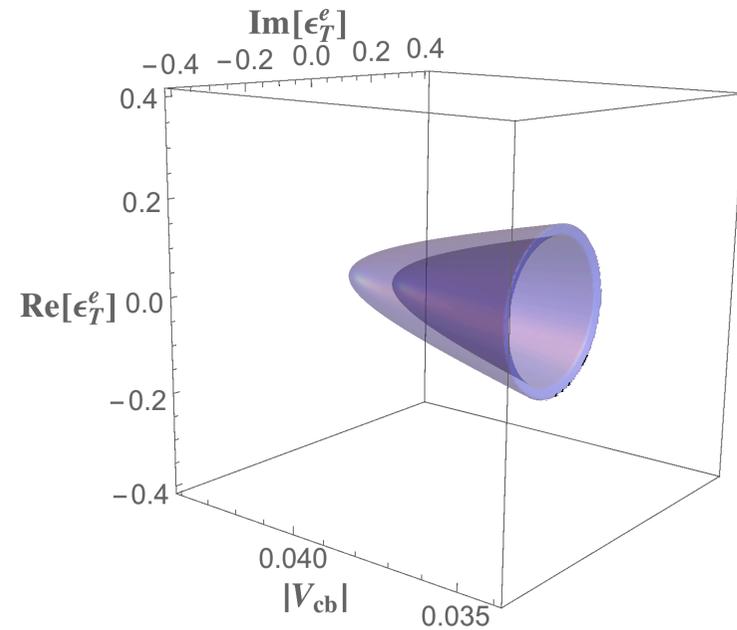
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inner regions: inclusive mode
outer regions: exclusive mode

$B \rightarrow D \ell \nu_\ell + B \rightarrow D^* \ell \nu_\ell + B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu_\ell$: allowed regions



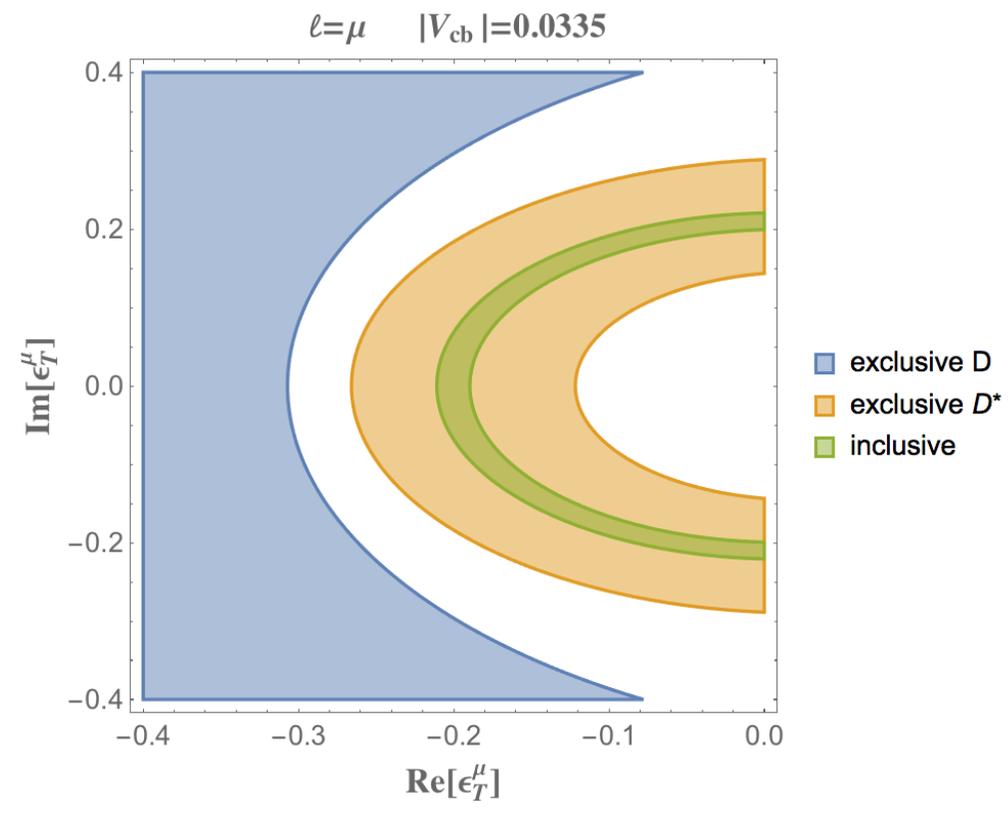
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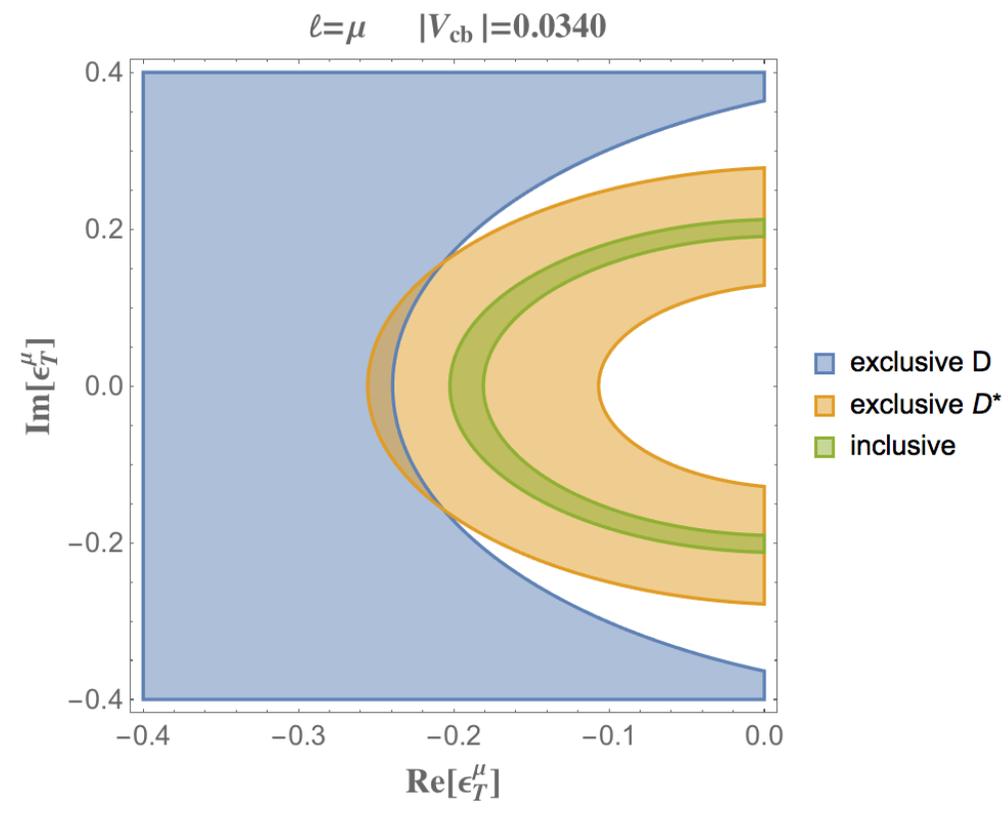
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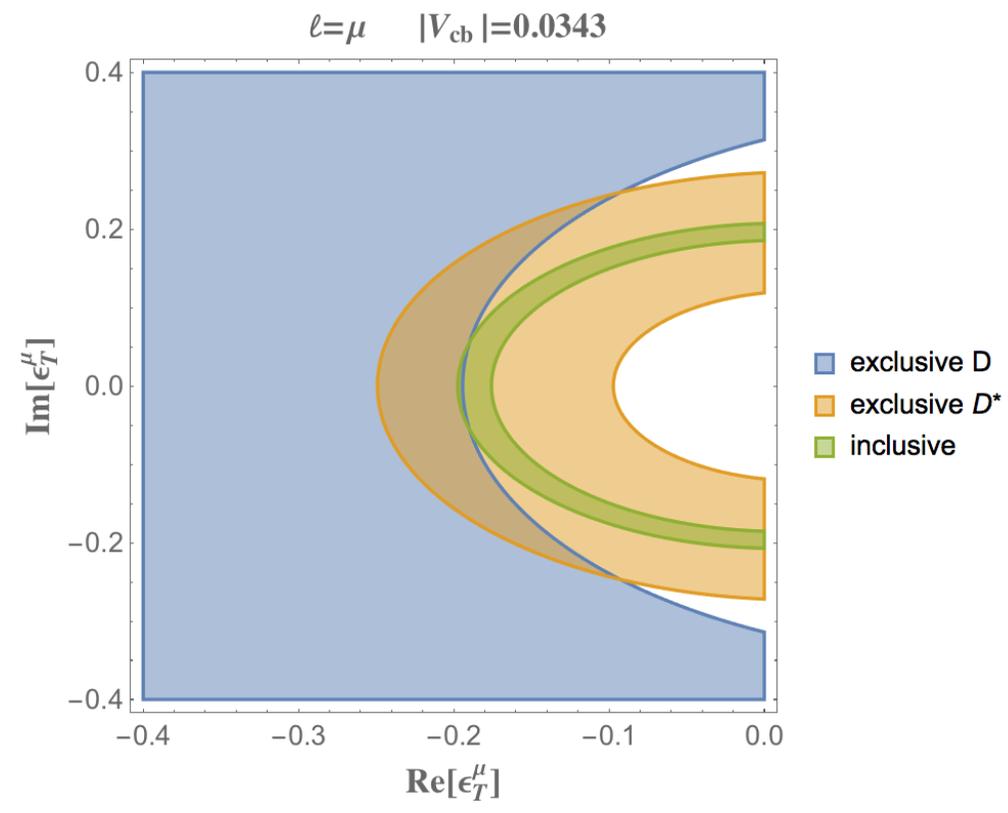
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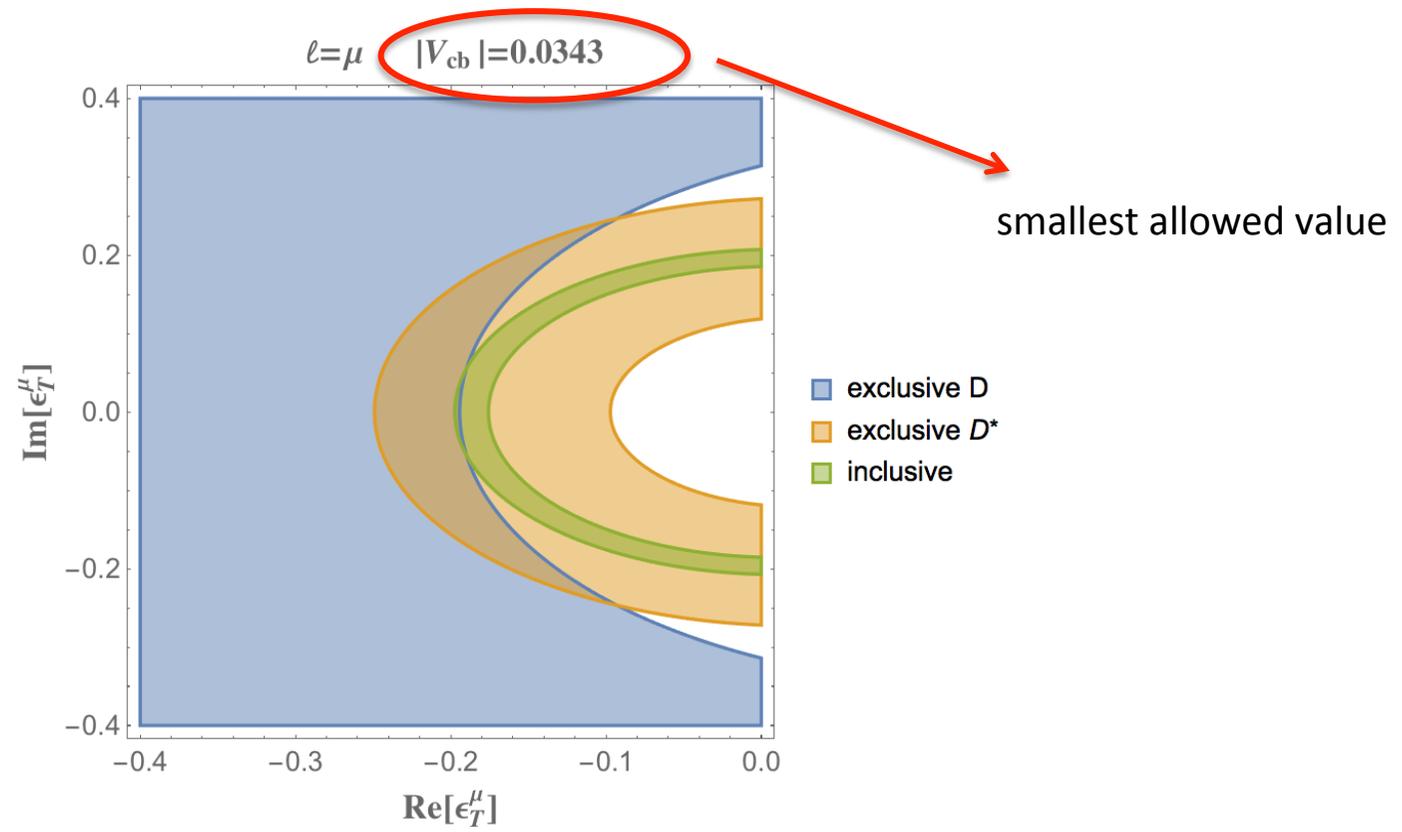
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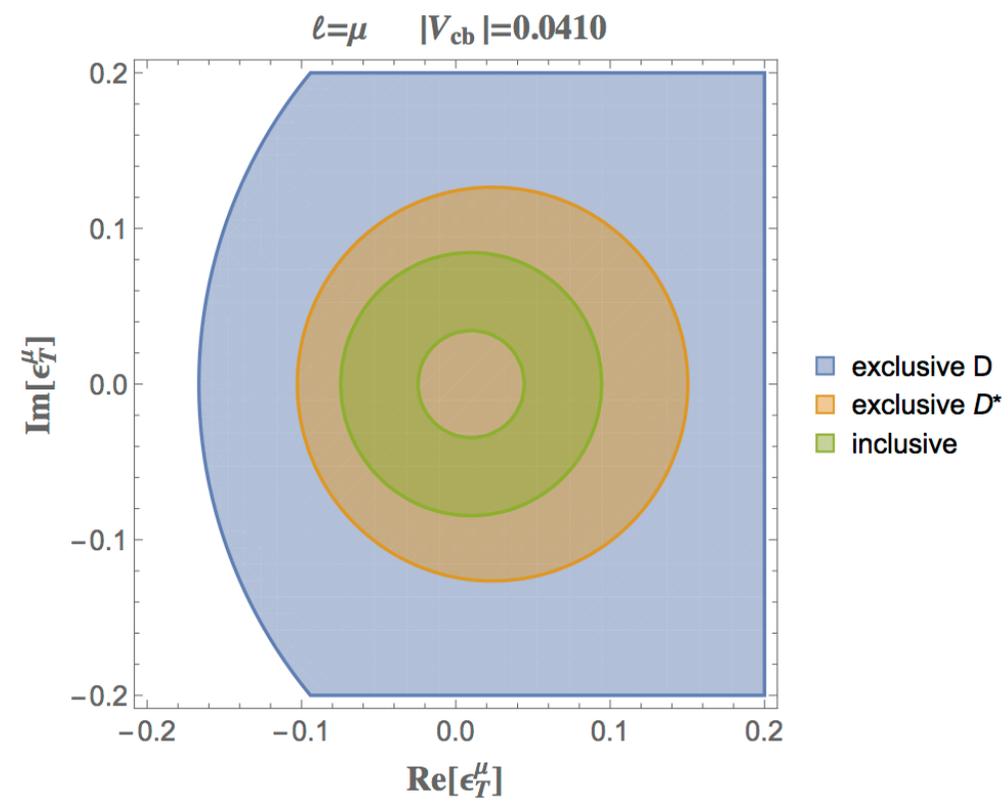
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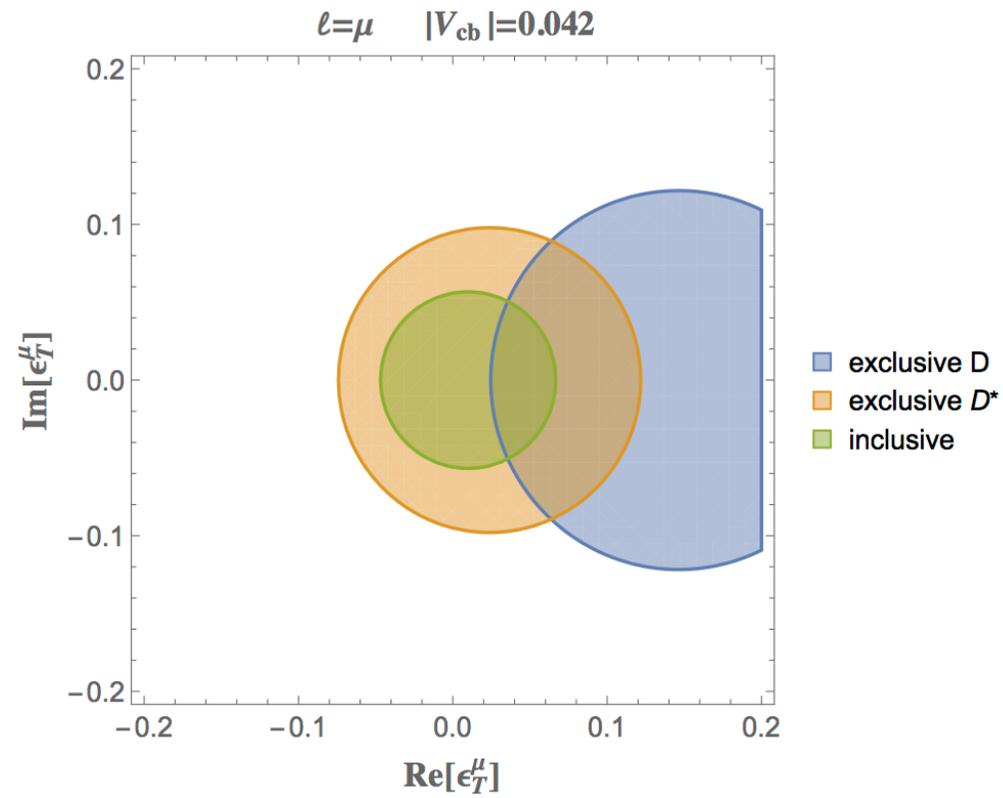
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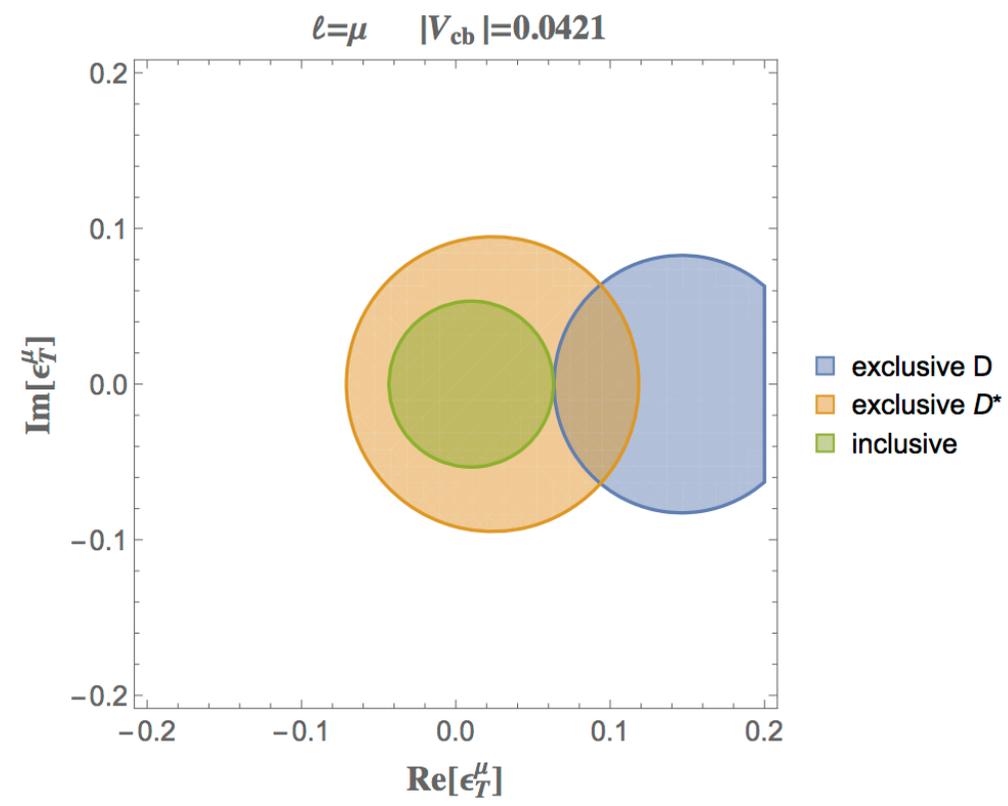
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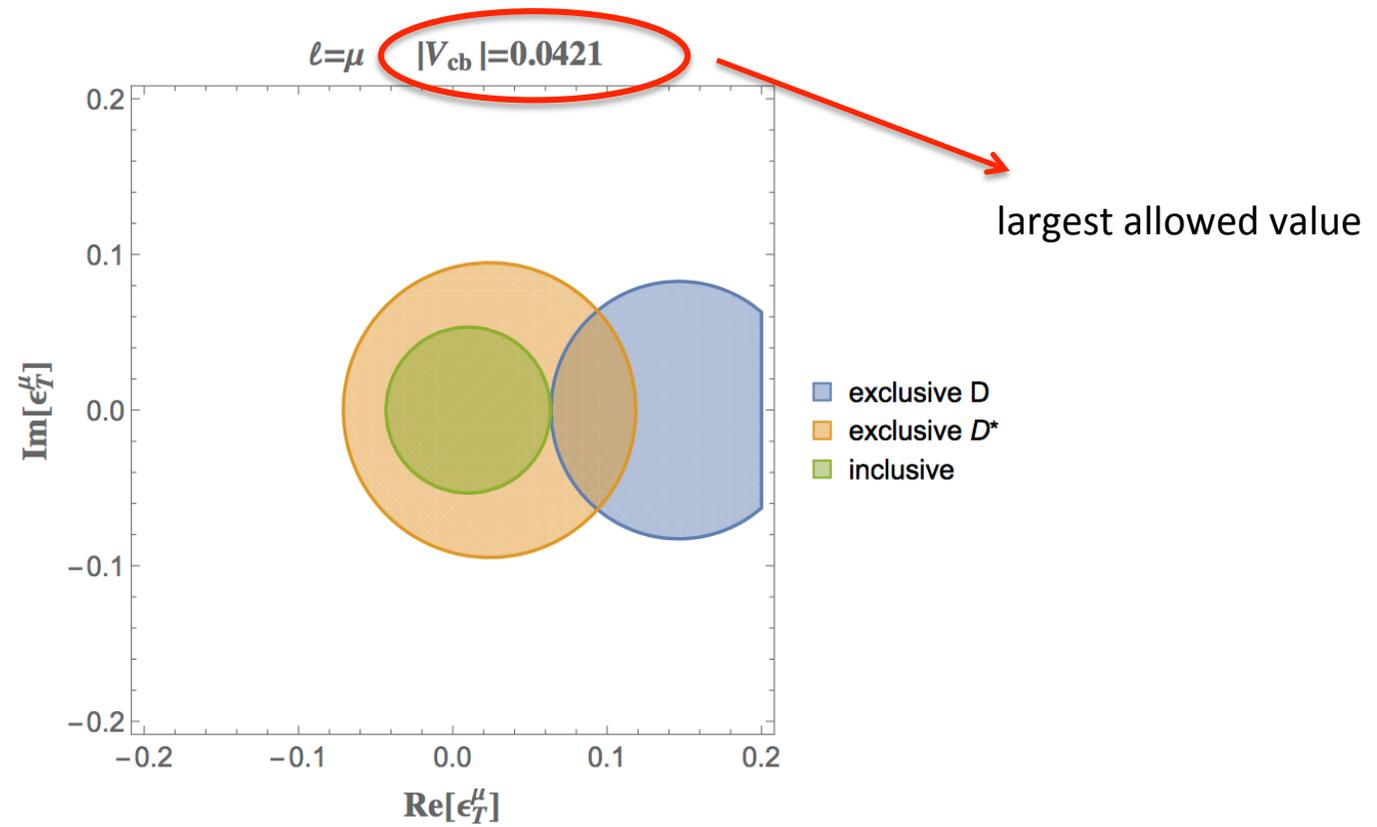
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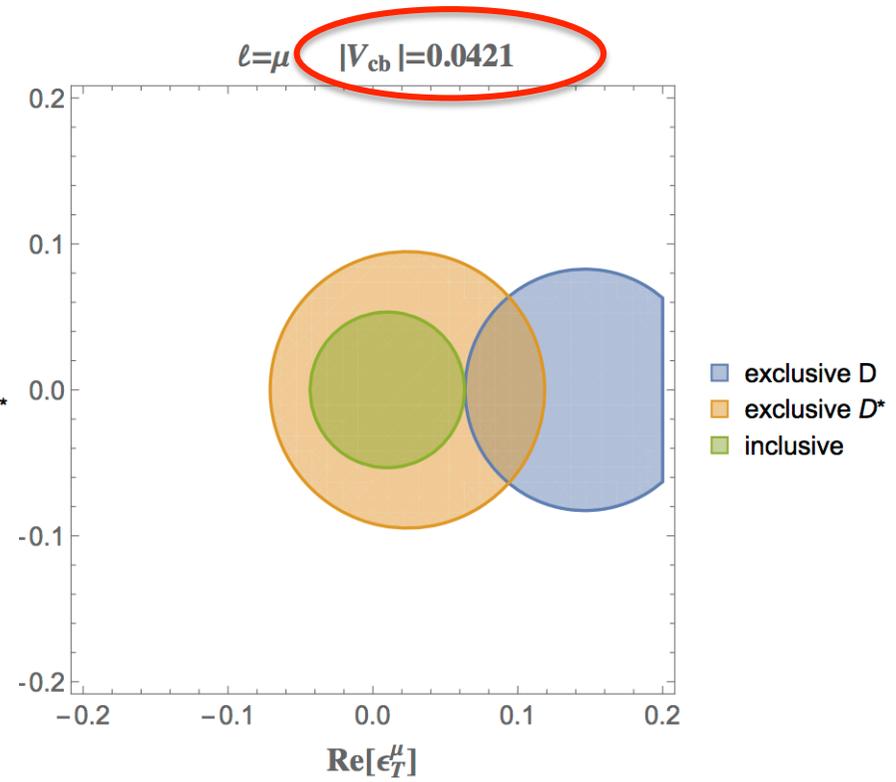
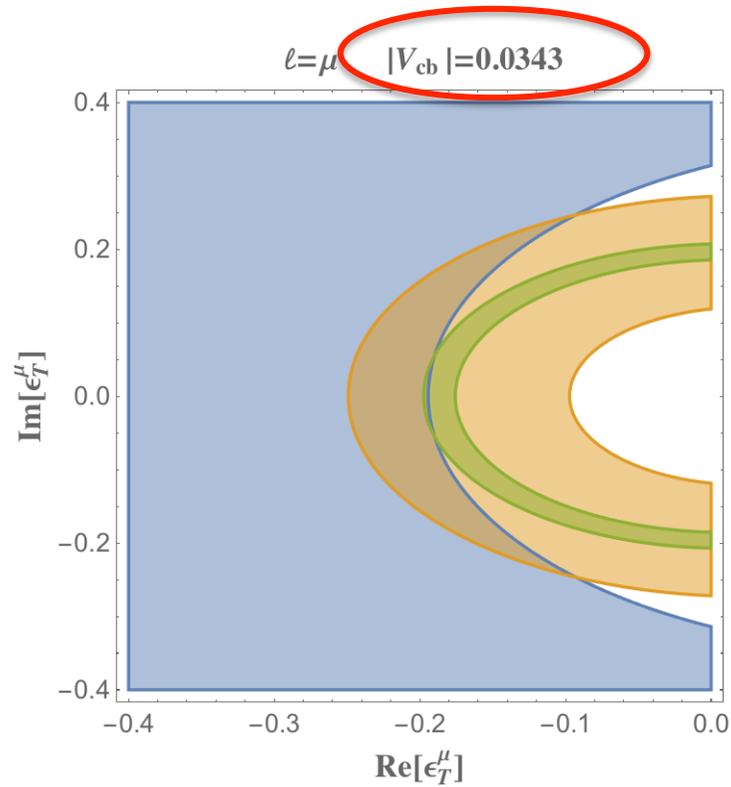
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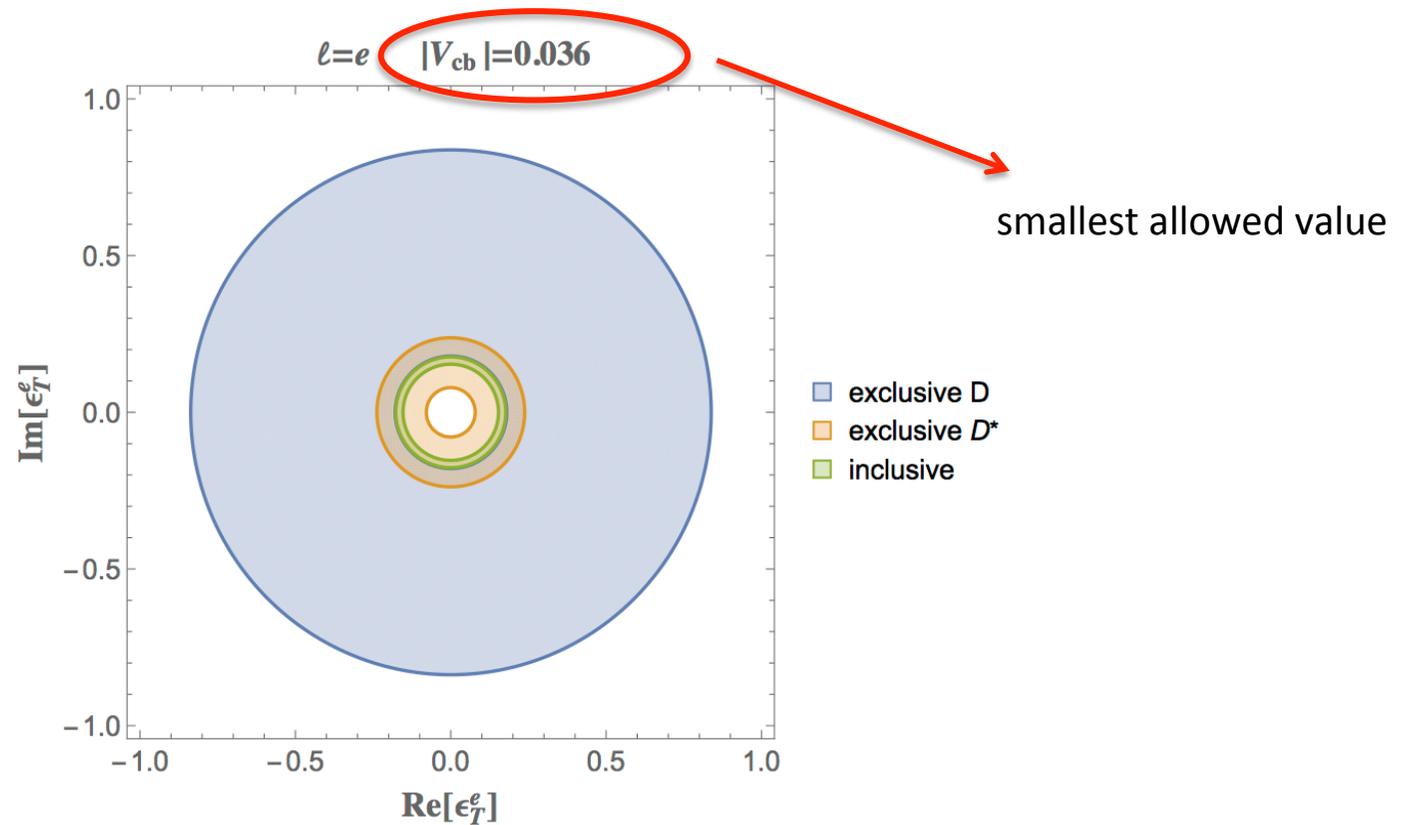


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the largest value found from inclusive does not change

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V_{cb} range from both modes

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all constraints can be fulfilled in

$$|V_{cb}| \in [0.036, 0.042]$$

role of the NP contributions

$B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu_\ell$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\hat{q}^2} = C(q^2) \left[\frac{d\tilde{\Gamma}}{d\hat{q}^2} \Big|_{\text{SM}} + |\epsilon_T|^2 \frac{d\tilde{\Gamma}}{d\hat{q}^2} \Big|_{\text{NP}} + \text{Re}(\epsilon_T) \frac{d\tilde{\Gamma}}{d\hat{q}^2} \Big|_{\text{INT}} \right]$$



\mathcal{B}_{SM}



\mathcal{B}_{NP}



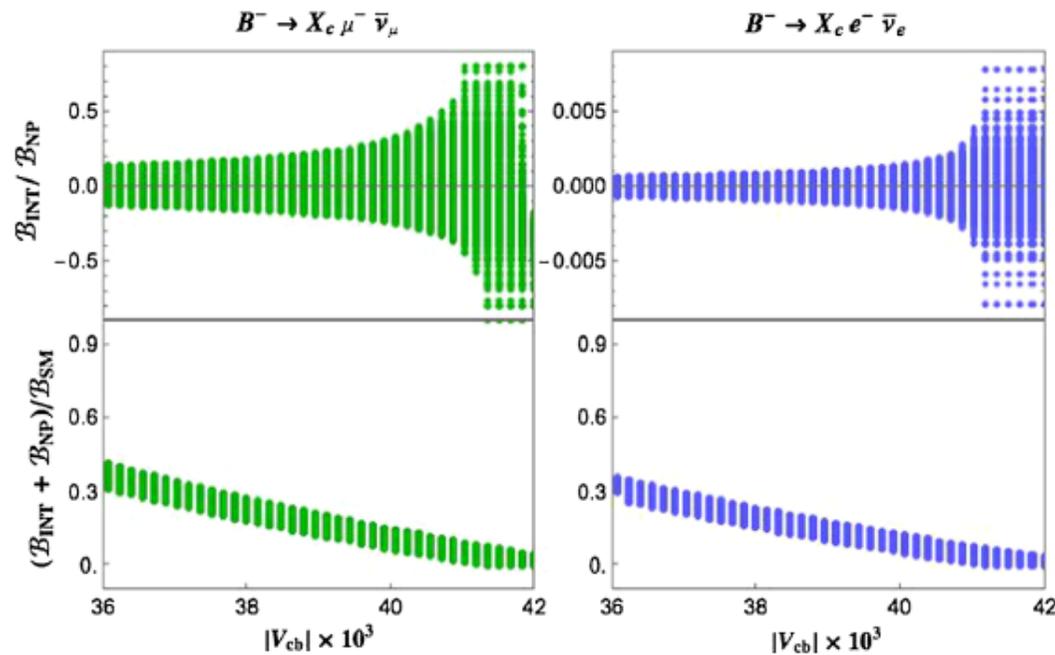
\mathcal{B}_{INT}



compute varying $\text{Re}(\epsilon_T)$, $\text{Im}(\epsilon_T)$ and $|V_{cb}|$ only in the *allowed* region

role of the NP contributions

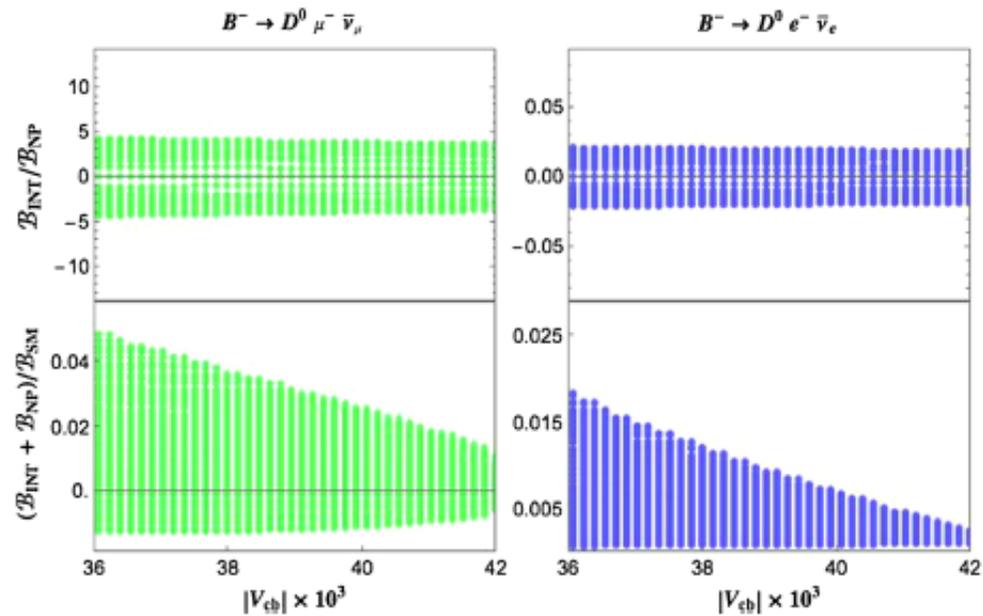
$$B \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$$



- interference term can be sizable for μ
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role of the NP contributions

$B \rightarrow D \ell \nu_\ell$



- interference term can be sizable for μ
- the total NP contribution (NP+INT) has a larger impact in the inclusive mode



the role of NP is different in different channels!
a NP H_{eff} might be at the origin of the $|V_{cb}|$ anomaly

A SM solution to the $|V_{cb}|$ puzzle?

Bigi, Gambino, Schacht, 1703.06124
Grinstein, Kobach, 1703.08170

fully differential decay rate
(Belle 1702.01521)

$$\frac{d\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* l \bar{\nu}_l)}{dw d \cos \theta_v d \cos \theta_l d\chi}$$

Boyd-Grinstein-Lebed (BGL) form factor parametrization instead of Caprini-Lellouch-Neubert (CLN)

differences:

CLN relies on HQET relations (4 parameter fit of the differential rate)

BGL based on unitarity, analyticity (as CLN)

BGL includes single particle (B_c^*) contributions (8 parameter fit)

BGL more conservative, data at low recoil better reproduced

→ $|V_{cb}|$ from the fit with BGL closer to the inclusive determination
(with a larger uncertainty)

warning: only new Belle data considered

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study of the fully differential decay rate in

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

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

relevant for $B_s \rightarrow D_s^*$ transitions

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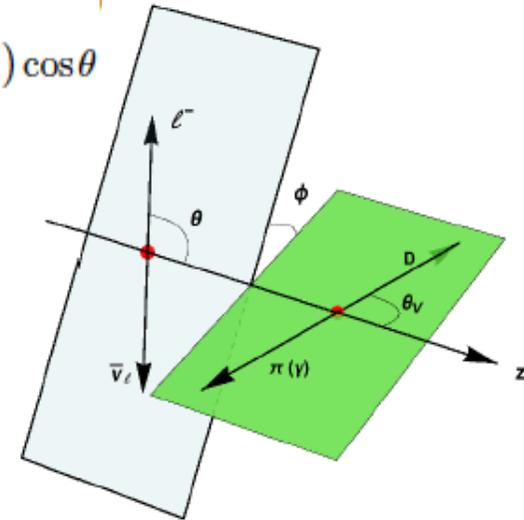
SM

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NP

Semileptonic B decays

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^4\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^*(\rightarrow D\pi)\ell^-\bar{\nu}_\ell)}{dq^2 d\cos\theta d\phi d\cos\theta_V} = \mathcal{N}_\pi |\vec{p}_{D^*}| \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{q^2}\right)^2 \left\{ I_{1s}^\pi \sin^2\theta_V + I_{1c}^\pi \cos^2\theta_V \right. \\ + (I_{2s}^\pi \sin^2\theta_V + I_{2c}^\pi \cos^2\theta_V) \cos 2\theta \\ + I_3^\pi \sin^2\theta_V \sin^2\theta \cos 2\phi + I_4^\pi \sin 2\theta_V \sin 2\theta \cos \phi \\ + I_5^\pi \sin 2\theta_V \sin \theta \cos \phi + (I_{6s}^\pi \sin^2\theta_V + I_{6c}^\pi \cos^2\theta_V) \cos \theta \\ \left. + I_7^\pi \sin 2\theta_V \sin \theta \sin \phi \right\}, \end{aligned}$$



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Angular coefficients

- depend on the hadronic form factors
- some vanish in the SM

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Semileptonic B decays

- relations between the angular coefficients in the π case and in the γ case

$$\frac{I_{1s}^\pi}{4I_{1c}^\gamma} = \frac{I_{1c}^\pi}{2I_{1s}^\gamma} = \frac{I_{2s}^\pi}{4I_{2c}^\gamma} = \frac{I_{2c}^\pi}{2I_{2s}^\gamma} = \frac{I_{6s}^\pi}{4I_{6c}^\gamma} = \frac{I_{6c}^\pi}{2I_{6s}^\gamma} = -\frac{I_3^\pi}{2I_3^\gamma} = -\frac{I_4^\pi}{2I_4^\gamma} = -\frac{I_5^\pi}{2I_5^\gamma} = 1$$

- fit to the experimental fully differential decay distribution \rightarrow angular coefficients \rightarrow FF

Example: only SM

$$A_1(q^2) = \frac{1}{4(m_B + m_{D^*})} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{4I_{1s}^\pi}{m_\ell^2 + 3q^2} - \frac{I_{6s}^\pi}{q^2}} + \sqrt{\frac{4I_{1s}^\pi}{m_\ell^2 + 3q^2} + \frac{I_{6s}^\pi}{q^2}} \right\},$$

$$A_2(q^2) = \frac{(m_B + m_{D^*})}{4\lambda(m_B^2, m_{D^*}^2, q^2)} \left\{ (m_B^2 - m_{D^*}^2 - q^2) \left[\sqrt{\frac{4I_{1s}^\pi}{m_\ell^2 + 3q^2} - \frac{I_{6s}^\pi}{q^2}} + \sqrt{\frac{4I_{1s}^\pi}{m_\ell^2 + 3q^2} + \frac{I_{6s}^\pi}{q^2}} \right] \right. \\ \left. - 4\sqrt{2}m_{D^*}\sqrt{q^2} \sqrt{-\frac{I_{2c}^\pi}{q^2 - m_\ell^2}} \right\},$$

$$V(q^2) = \frac{(m_B + m_{D^*})}{4\lambda^{1/2}(m_B^2, m_{D^*}^2, q^2)} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{4I_{1s}^\pi}{m_\ell^2 + 3q^2} - \frac{I_{6s}^\pi}{q^2}} - \sqrt{\frac{4I_{1s}^\pi}{m_\ell^2 + 3q^2} + \frac{I_{6s}^\pi}{q^2}} \right\},$$

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BGL vs CLN

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(w) &= \frac{R_1(w)}{R^*} h_{A_1}(w) \\
 A_1(w) &= \frac{w+1}{2} R^* h_{A_1}(w) \\
 A_2(w) &= \frac{R_2(w)}{R^*} h_{A_1}(w) \\
 A_0(w) &= \frac{R_0(w)}{R^*} h_{A_1}(w)
 \end{aligned}$$

CLN

Exploits HQET relations
Quantities expanded for $w \rightarrow 1$

$$z = \frac{\sqrt{w+1} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{w+1} + \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 h_{A_1}(w) &= h_{A_1}(1) [1 - 8\rho^2 z + (53\rho^2 - 15)z^2 - (231\rho^2 - 91)z^3] \\
 R_1(w) &= R_1(1) - 0.12(w-1) + 0.05(w-1)^2 \\
 R_2(w) &= R_2(1) + 0.11(w-1) - 0.06(w-1)^2 \\
 R_0(w) &= R_0(1) - 0.11(w-1) + 0.01(w-1)^2,
 \end{aligned}$$

Fit by Belle Collaboration

$ V_{cb} \times 10^3$	ρ^2	$R_1(1)$	$R_2(1)$
37.4 ± 1.3	1.03 ± 0.13	1.38 ± 0.07	0.87 ± 0.10

BGL

Exploits analyticity
FF expanded as

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{P_f(z)\phi_f(z)} \sum_{n=0}^N a_n z^n$$

Blatsche factors
take into account poles associated to \underline{c}_b poles

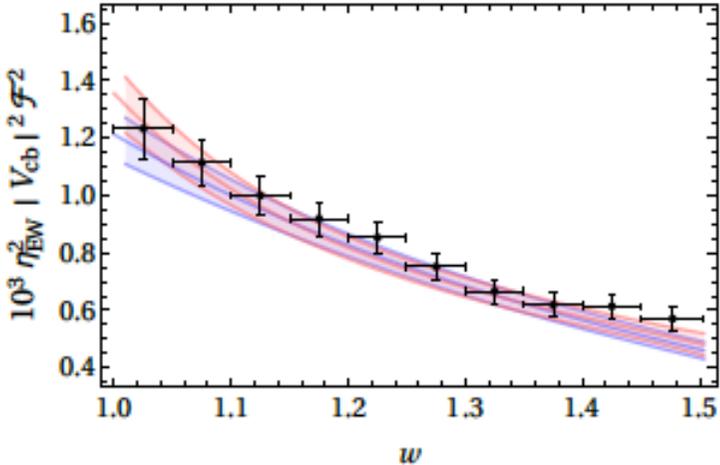
unitarity bounds

$$\sum_{n=0}^N |a_n|^2 \leq 1$$

a_n $n=0,1,2$ fitted for all FFs

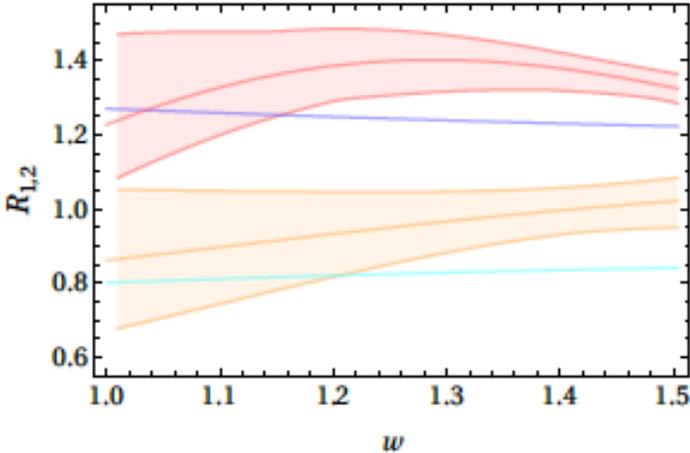
BGL vs CLN

from D. Bigi, P. Gambino, S. Schacht PLB 2017



— CLN + LCSR
— BGL + LCSR

Fit to the Belle data:
both parametrizations work well
but data at small w are better reproduced by BGL
 R_1 and R_2 show deviations from their HQET results



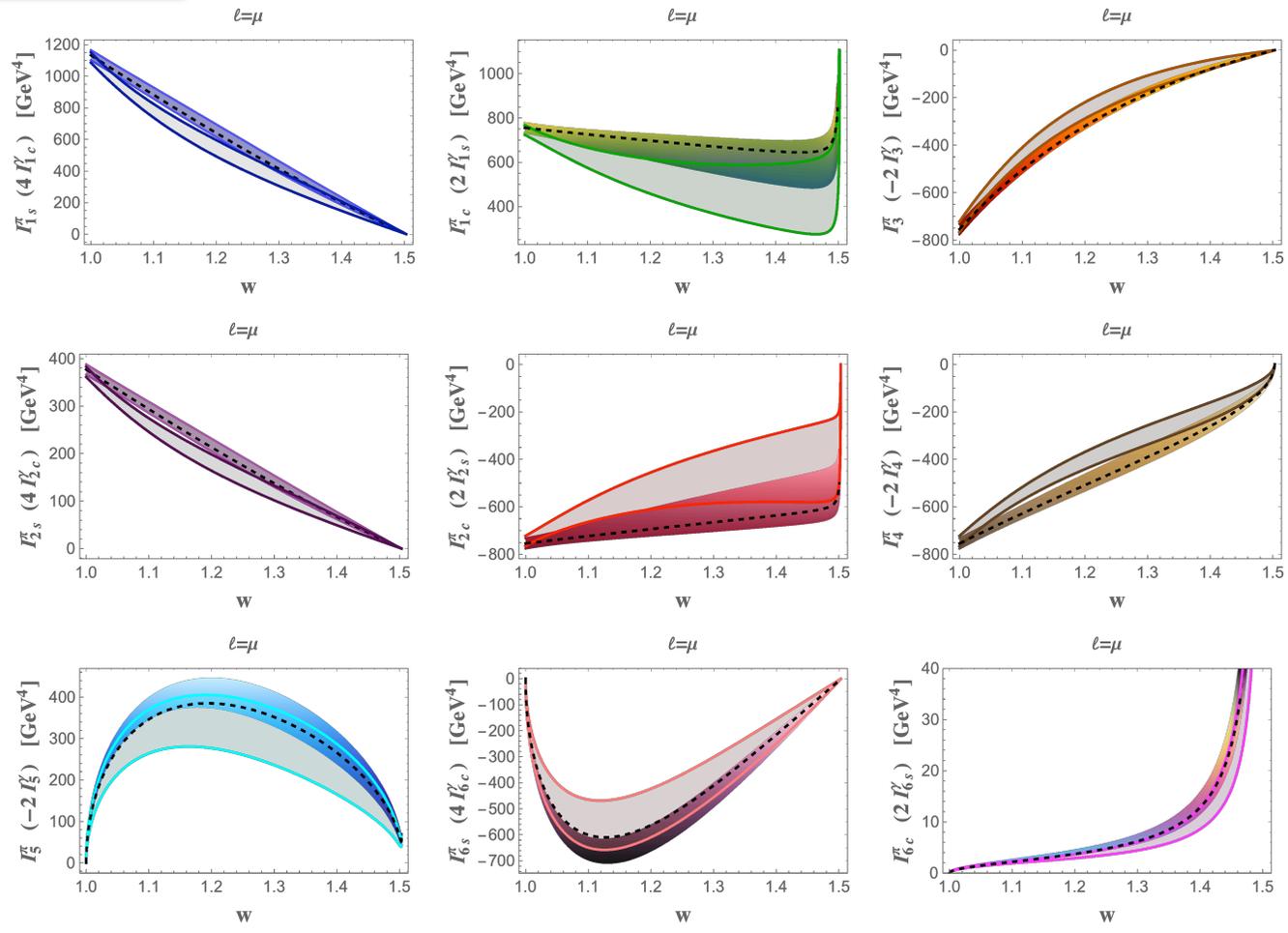
— HQET R_1
— HQET R_2
— BGL + LCSR R_1
— BGL + LCSR R_2

BGL vs CLN

angular coefficients could in principle allow the reconstruction of R_1 and R_2

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_1(w) &= \frac{8q^2 m_B m_{D^*} (1+w)}{(m_\ell^2 + 3q^2) \lambda^{1/2}(m_B^2, m_{D^*}^2, q^2)} \frac{1}{I_{6s}^\pi} \left[\sqrt{(I_{1s}^\pi)^2 - \left(\frac{m_\ell^2 + 3q^2}{q^2}\right)^2 \frac{(I_{6s}^\pi)^2}{16}} - I_{1s}^\pi \right], \\
 R_2(w) &= \frac{2m_B m_{D^*} (1+w)}{\lambda(m_B^2, m_{D^*}^2, q^2)} \left[(m_B^2 - q^2 - m_{D^*}^2) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2\sqrt{2} m_{D^*} q^2 \sqrt{-\frac{q^2}{q^2 - m_\ell^2} I_{2c}^\pi} \frac{1}{I_{6s}^\pi} \left(\sqrt{\frac{4I_{1s}^\pi}{m_\ell^2 + 3q^2} - \frac{I_{6s}^\pi}{q^2}} - \sqrt{\frac{4I_{1s}^\pi}{m_\ell^2 + 3q^2} + \frac{I_{6s}^\pi}{q^2}} \right) \right].
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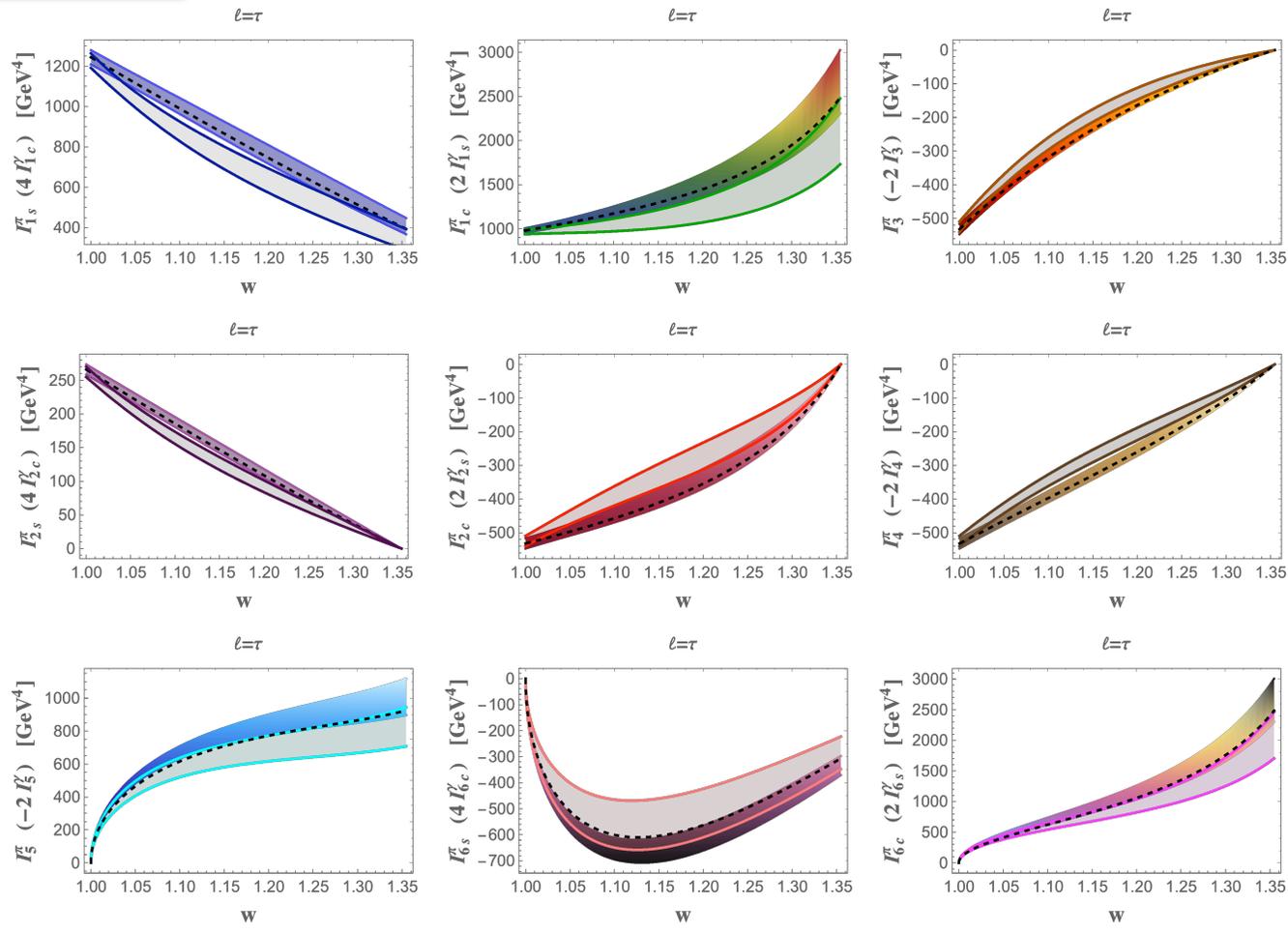
SM case: BGL vs CLN
 μ case



Darker regions: CLN
 Lighter regions: BGL

some of the structures are particularly sensitive to the choice of the parametrization

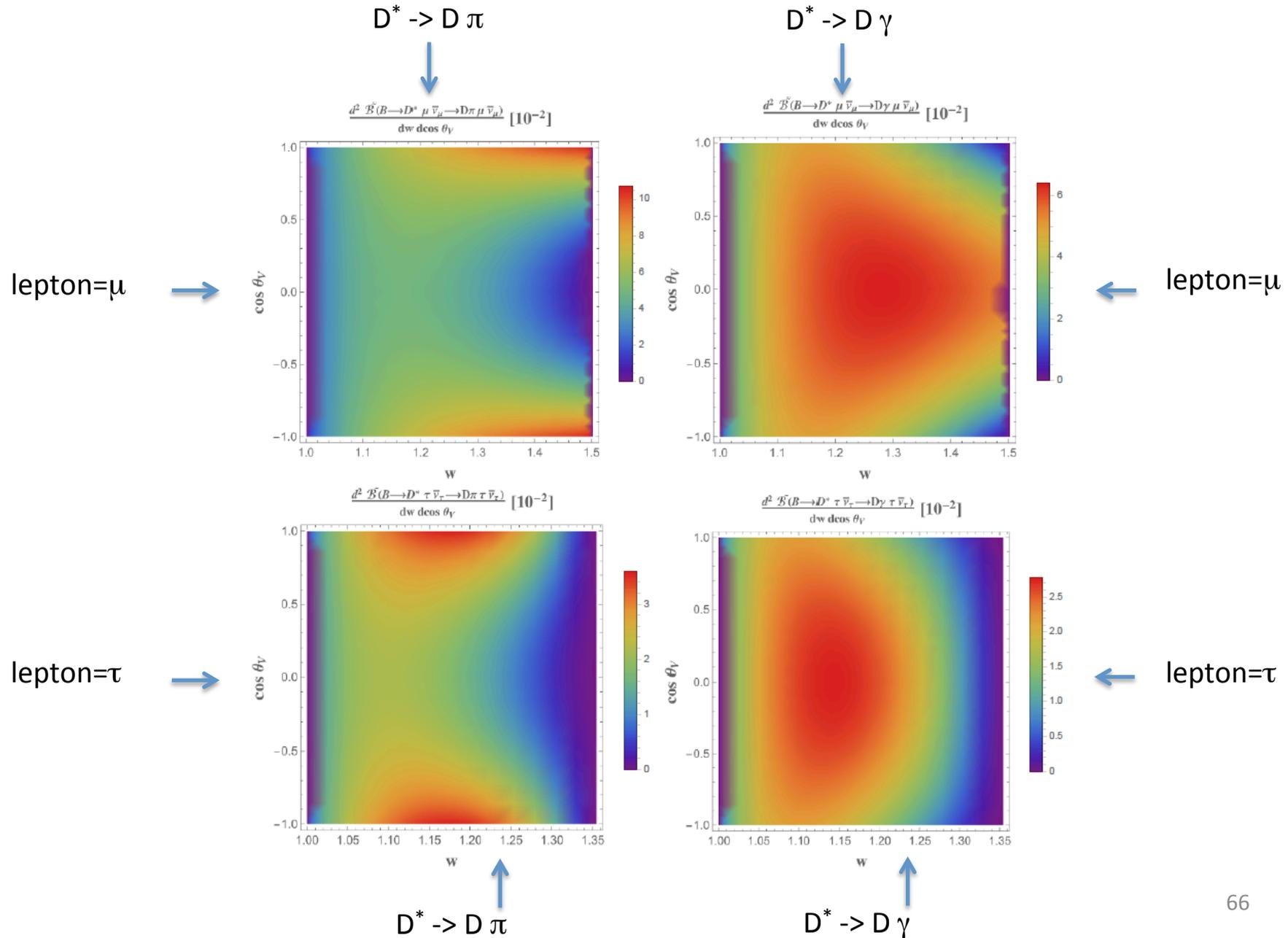
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Exploiting both $D^* \rightarrow D \pi$ and $D^* \rightarrow D \gamma$ modes

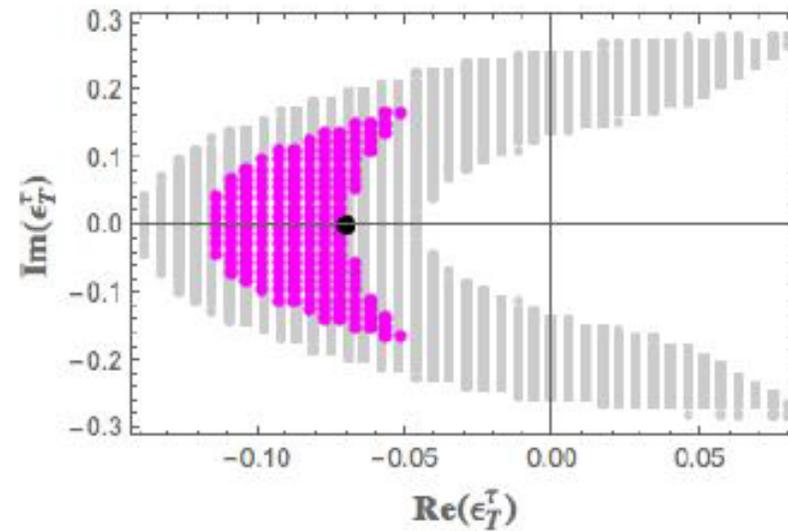
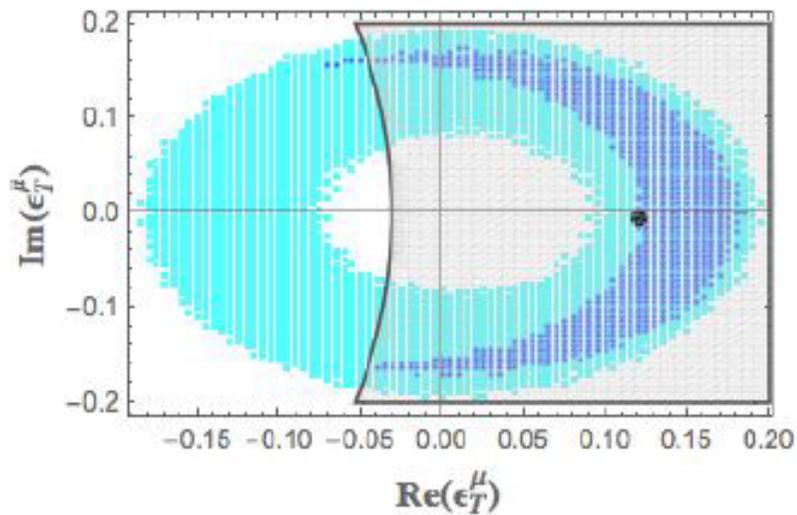


SM vs NP

- keep both ε_T^μ , ε_T^τ non vanishing
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- determine ε_T^τ to reproduce $R(D)$ & $R(D^*)$

SM vs NP

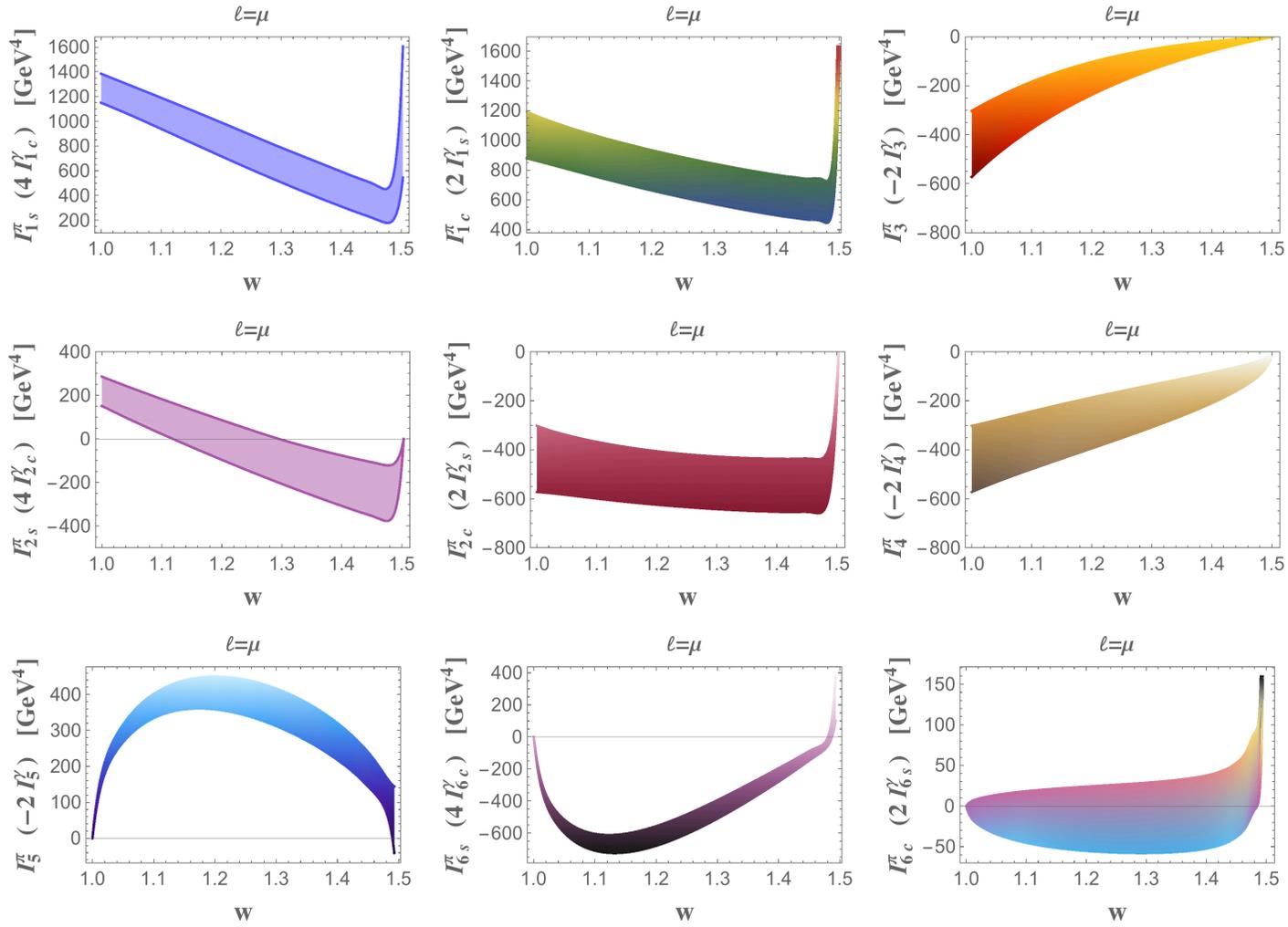
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Darker regions: $\chi^2 < 1$

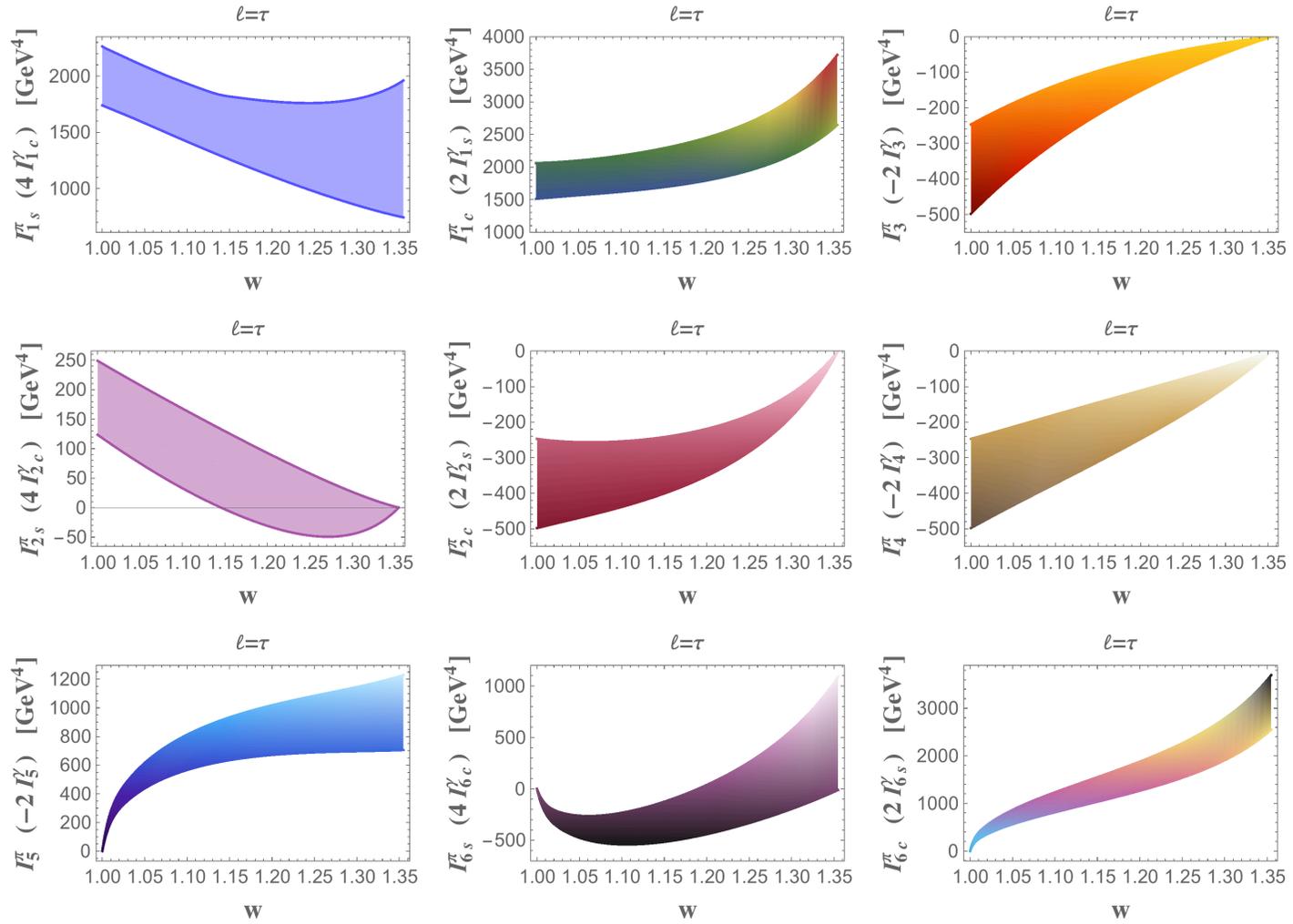
Black dots: benchmark points

SM vs NP
 μ case



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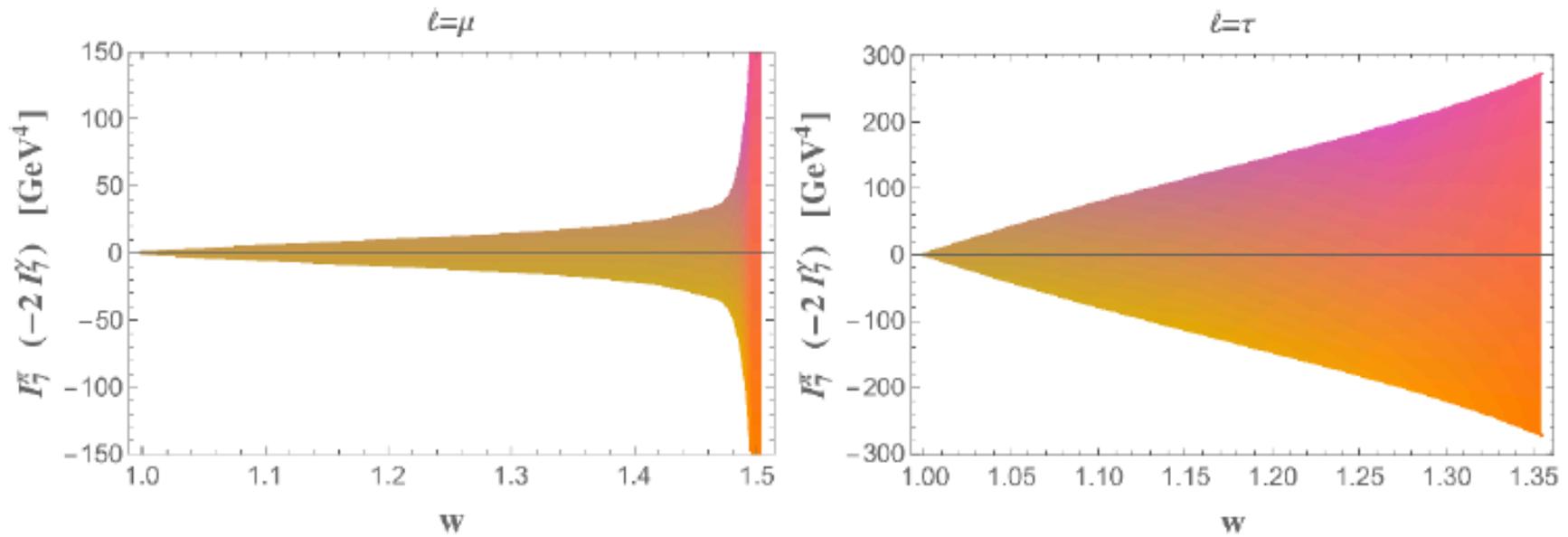
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SM vs NP

I_7 is absent in the SM but not in NP



SM vs NP:

set of observables computed in the benchmark points

- q^2 – dependent Forward-Backward asymmetry:

$$A_{\text{FB}}(q^2) = \left[\int_0^1 d\cos\theta \frac{d^2\Gamma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta} - \int_{-1}^0 d\cos\theta \frac{d^2\Gamma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta} \right] / \frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2}.$$

- transverse forward-backward asymmetry (A_{FB} for transversely polarized D^*)
- D^* polarization asymmetry

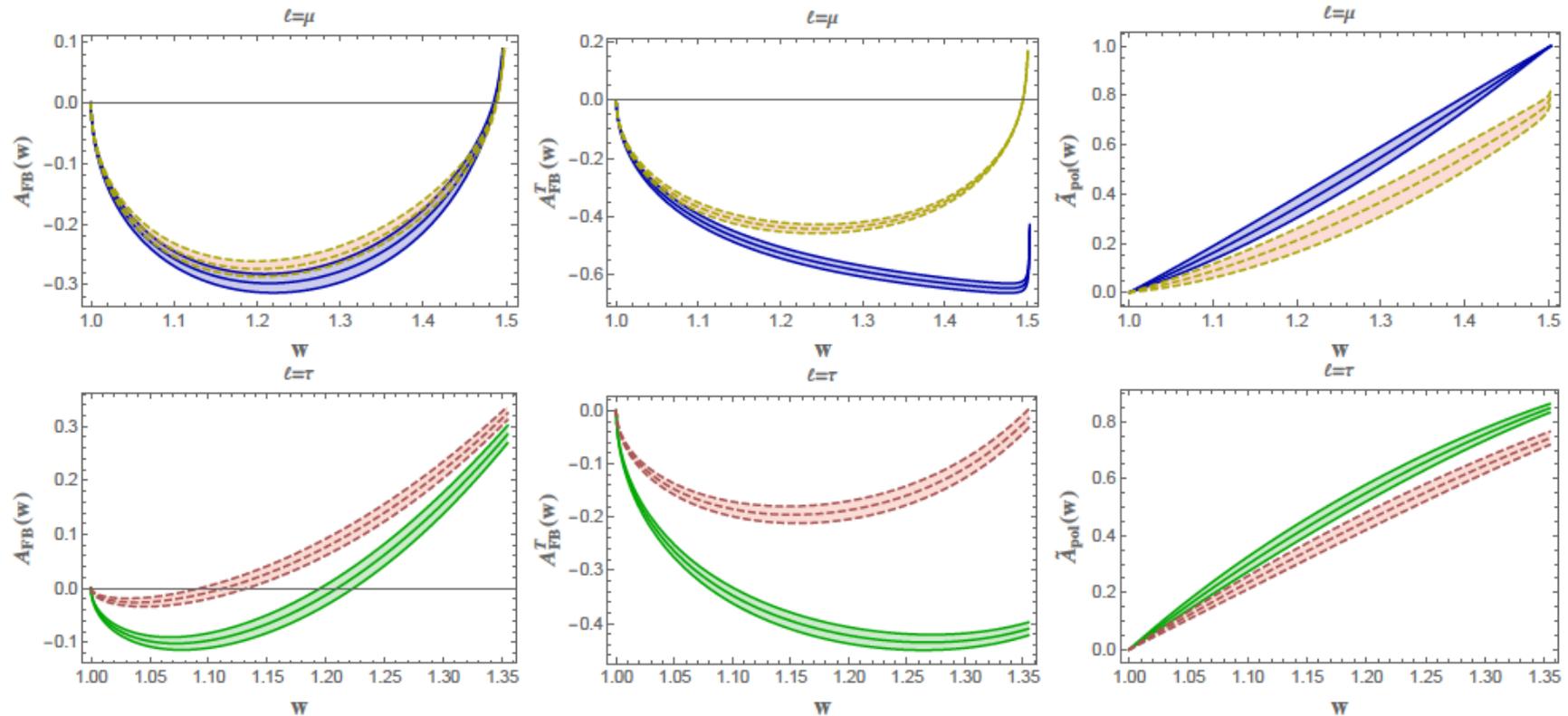
$$\frac{dA_{\text{pol}}^{D^*}(q^2)}{dq^2} = 2 \frac{d\Gamma_L}{dq^2} / \frac{d\Gamma_T}{dq^2} - 1.$$

- $\cos(\theta_V)$ – dependent forward-backward asymmetry

$$A_{\text{FB}}(\cos\theta_V) = \frac{\left[\int_0^1 d\cos\theta \frac{d^2\Gamma}{d\cos\theta_V d\cos\theta} - \int_{-1}^0 d\cos\theta \frac{d^2\Gamma}{d\cos\theta_V d\cos\theta} \right]}{\frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\theta_V}}.$$

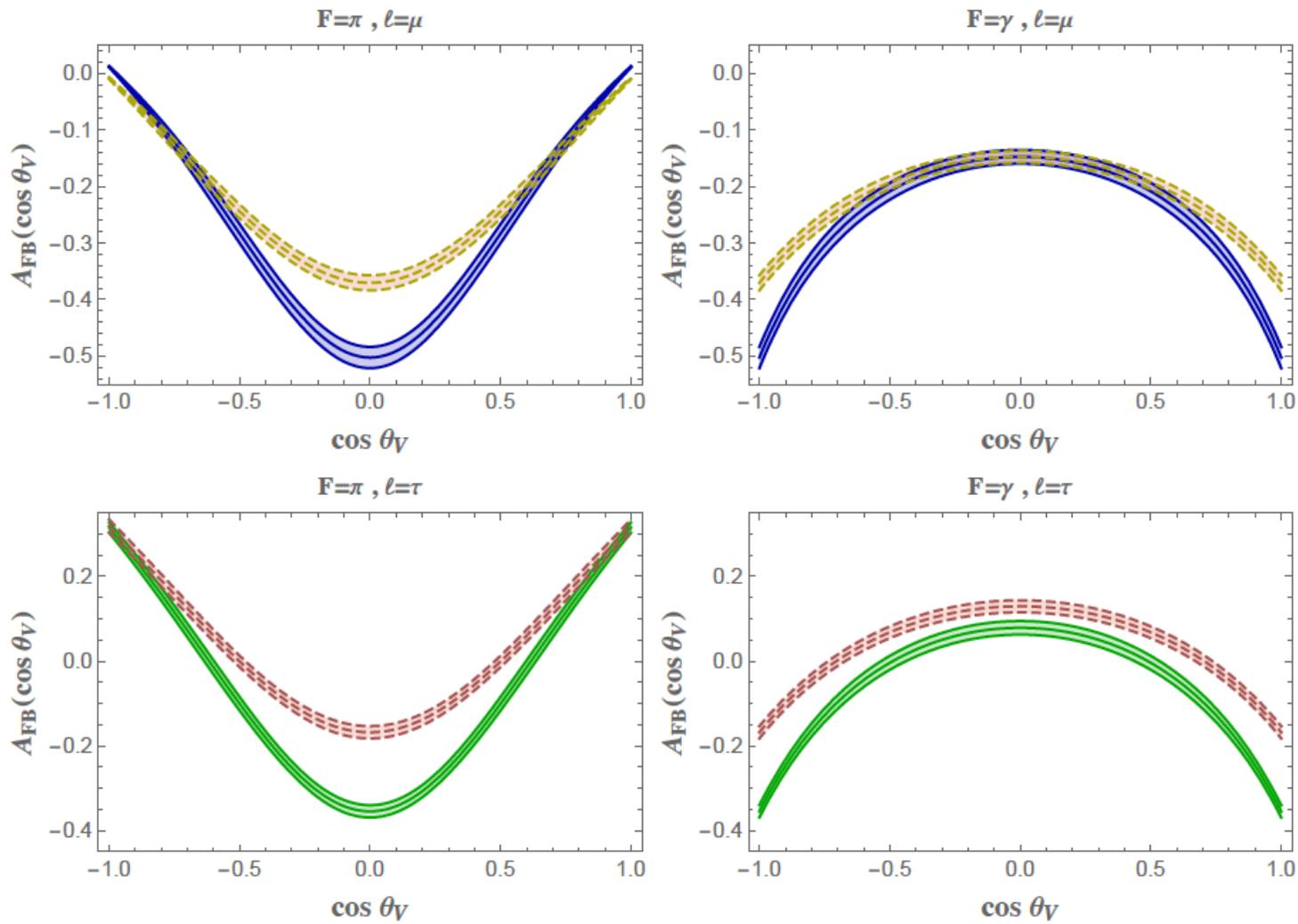
SM vs NP:
set of observables computed in the benchmark points

μ case
blue, solid=SM
yellow, dashed=SM+NP

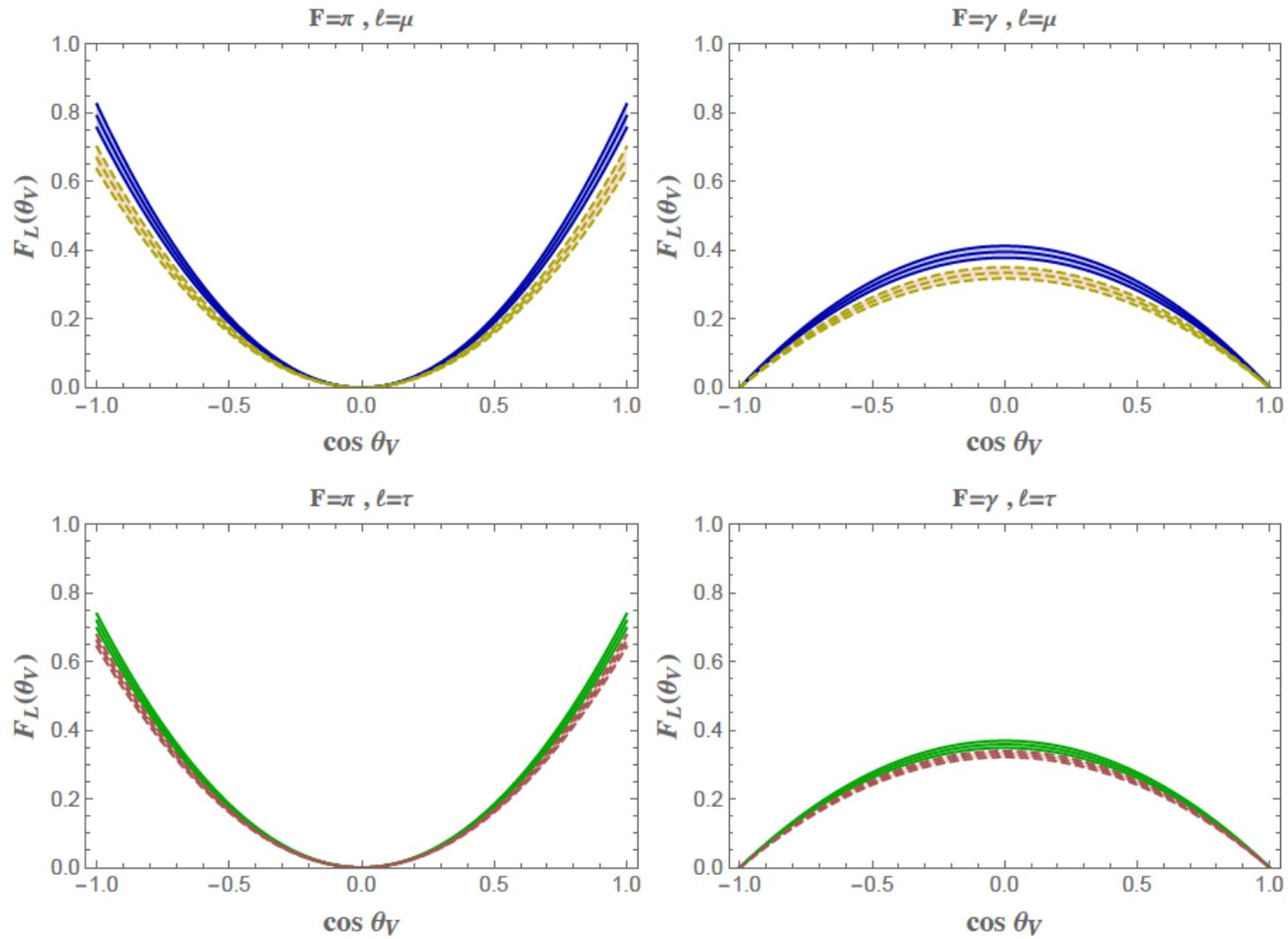


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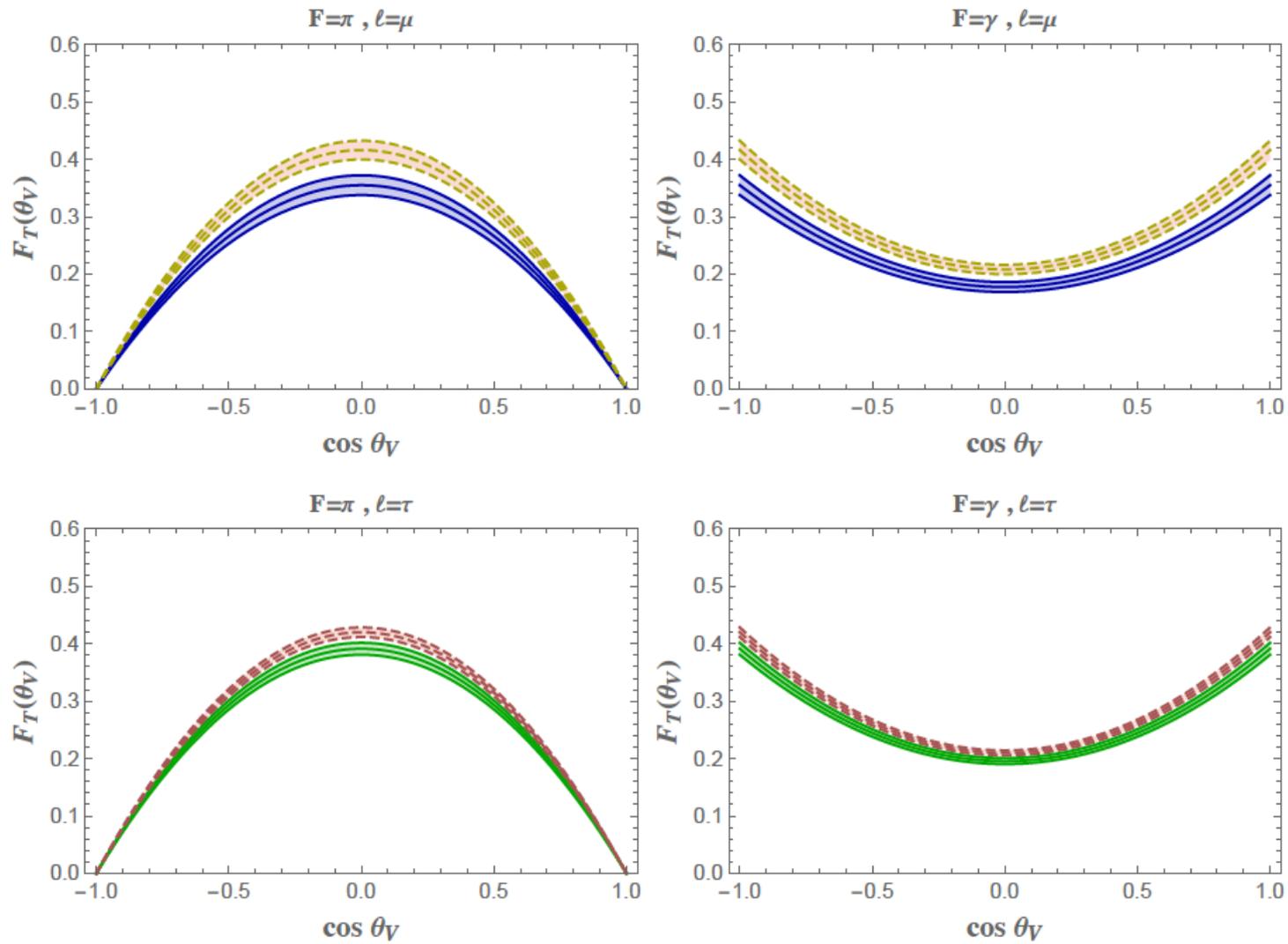
SM vs NP:
set of observables computed in the benchmark points



SM vs NP: D^* polarization fractions

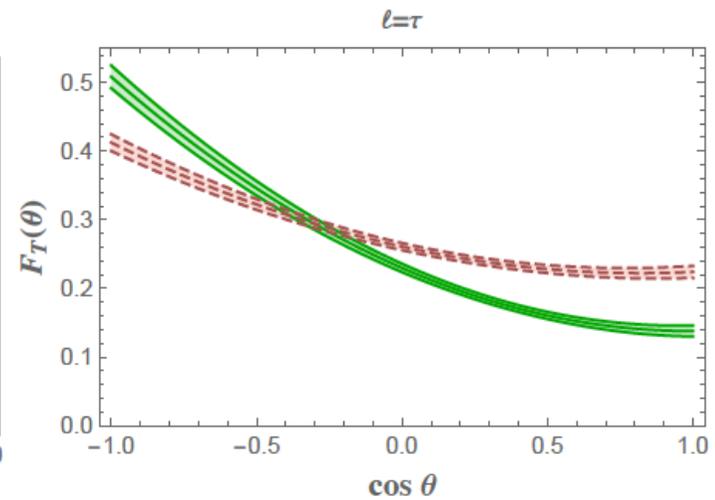
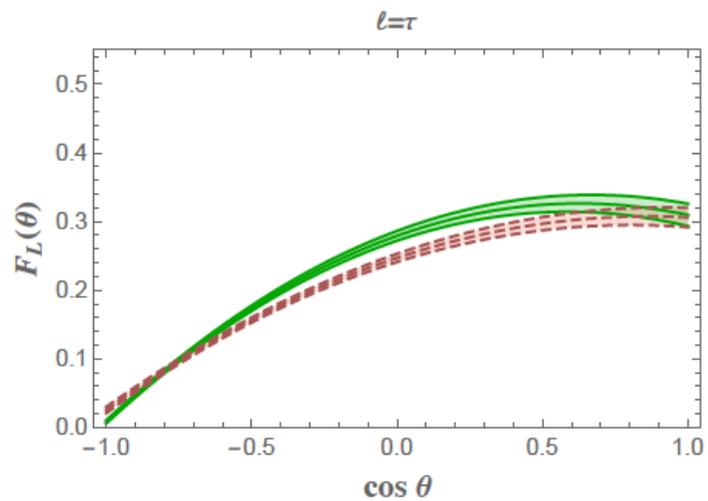
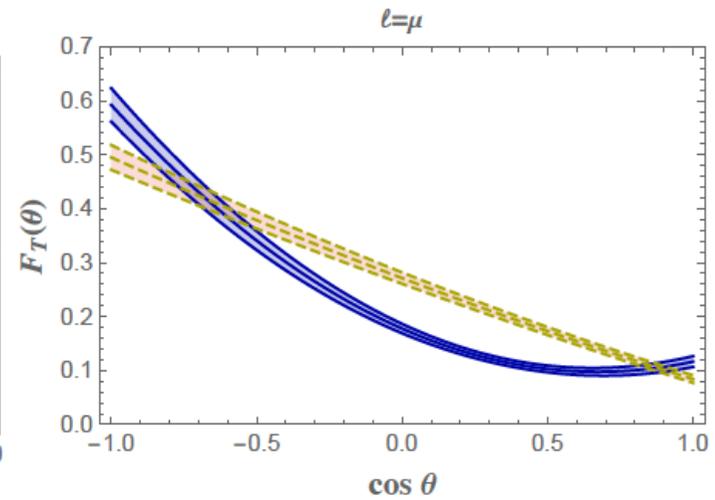
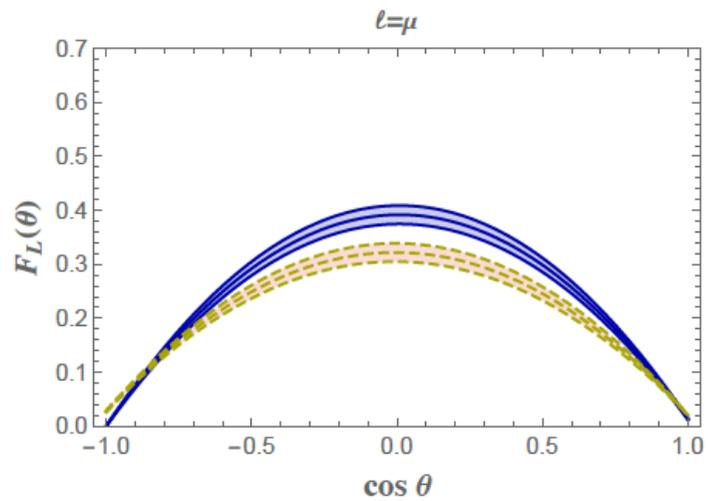


SM vs NP: D^* polarization fractions



SM vs NP: D^* polarization fractions

a particularly interesting case:
the convexity of the NP curve varies with ϵ_T



Tests of LFU

$$R_i^{\ell_1 \ell_2} = \frac{\int_{w=1}^{w_{\max}(\ell_1)} (\tilde{I}_i^\pi(w))_{\ell_1} dw}{\int_{w=1}^{w_{\max}(\ell_2)} (\tilde{I}_i^\pi(w))_{\ell_2} dw}$$

$$\tilde{I}_i = \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{q^2}\right)^2 |\vec{p}_{D^*}|_{BRF} I_i$$

SM

	$\ell_1 = \tau, \ell_2 = \mu$	$\ell_1 = \tau, \ell_2 = e$	$\ell_1 = \mu, \ell_2 = e$
R_{1s}^π	0.263 ± 0.006	0.262 ± 0.005	0.9957 ± 0.0001
R_{1c}^π	0.28 ± 0.02	0.28 ± 0.02	1.008 ± 0.004
R_{2s}^π	0.134 ± 0.003	0.133 ± 0.003	0.9923 ± 0.0002
R_{2c}^π	0.079 ± 0.005	0.077 ± 0.005	0.975 ± 0.002
R_3^π	0.153 ± 0.004	0.152 ± 0.004	0.9932 ± 0.0002
R_4^π	0.112 ± 0.004	0.111 ± 0.004	0.9891 ± 0.0004
R_5^π	0.30 ± 0.02	0.30 ± 0.02	0.999 ± 0.001
R_{6s}^π	0.197 ± 0.004	0.196 ± 0.004	0.9943 ± 0.0001
R_{6c}^π	5.90 ± 0.45	76000 ± 7000	12900 ± 200

NP

	$\ell_1 = \tau, \ell_2 = \mu$	$\ell_1 = \tau, \ell_2 = e$	$\ell_1 = \mu, \ell_2 = e$
R_{1s}^π	0.32 ± 0.01	0.304 ± 0.008	0.957 ± 0.002
R_{1c}^π	0.36 ± 0.03	0.34 ± 0.02	0.956 ± 0.003
R_{2s}^π	0.37 ± 0.02	0.38 ± 0.02	1.04 ± 0.01
R_{2c}^π	0.082 ± 0.006	0.080 ± 0.006	0.973 ± 0.002
R_3^π	0.183 ± 0.005	0.182 ± 0.005	0.9932 ± 0.0002
R_4^π	0.131 ± 0.005	0.130 ± 0.005	0.9890 ± 0.0004
R_5^π	0.35 ± 0.03	0.33 ± 0.03	0.96 ± 0.01
R_{6s}^π	0.150 ± 0.006	0.152 ± 0.006	1.012 ± 0.003
R_{6c}^π	-11.6 ± 1.5	-944 ± 40	81.2 ± 9.1
R_7^π	0	0	184 ± 2

Challenging the lepton flavour universality opens new perspectives in NP searches

What is needed

- separate measurements for e and μ inclusive and exclusive B modes
- new modes, e.g. measurements of B_s and Λ_b semileptonic decays
- modes where the tensor operator does not contribute, i.e. $B_c \rightarrow \tau \nu_\tau$
- new observables where effects are expected, e.g. D_i^{**}
(are F-B asymmetries accessible?)
- Same breaking pattern in $b \rightarrow u$ transitions?

V_{cb}

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$R(D^{(*)})$

V_{ub}

A lot of surprises from three-level processes

The journey in search of phenomena beyond SM continues....