

# Radiative corrections to one- and two-meson tau decays for precise new physics tests



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Decker and Fikemeier '95, Arroyo-Ureña et al '21  
 Cirigliano et al '01, Flores-Tlalpa et al '06, Miranda and Roig '20  
 Antonelli et al '13, Flores-Baéz and Morones-Ibarra '13

Short-Distance corrections: Sirlin '78; Marciano-Sirlin '93

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- Electromagnetic radiative corrections require the inclusion of diagrams with **both virtual** (loops) **& real photons** (ISR & FSR).
- I will illustrate this with the RadCors to the one  $\pi$  (or K) tau decays. The two-meson cases can be studied similarly. *They are just more complicated...*

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I will consider both decays in turn,  $R_{\tau/\pi}$ , results & applications. Among the conclusions, I will show results for 2 mesons.



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- ✓ **Lepton Universality (LU)** as a basic tenet of the Standard Model (SM).
  - ✓ A few **anomalies** observed in semileptonic B meson decays\*.
  - ✓ Lower energy observables currently provide the most precise test of LU\*\*.
- ✓ We aim to test **muon-tau lepton universality** through the ratio ( $P = \pi, K$ )\*\*\*:

$$R_{\tau/P} \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow P\nu_\tau[\gamma])}{\Gamma(P \rightarrow \mu\nu_\mu[\gamma])} = \left| \frac{g_\tau}{g_\mu} \right|_P^2 R_{\tau/P}^{(0)} (1 + \delta R_{\tau/P})$$

- ✓  $g_\tau = g_\mu$  according to LU.
- ✓  $R_{\tau/P}^{(0)}$  is the **LO result**  $R_{\tau/P}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{M_\tau^3}{m_\mu^2 m_P} \frac{(1 - m_P^2/M_\tau^2)^2}{(1 - m_\mu^2/m_P^2)^2}$ .
- ✓  $\delta R_{\tau/P}$  encodes the **radiative corrections**.
- ✓  $\delta R_{\tau/P}$  was calculated by **Decker & Finkemeier (DF'95)** ^ :
  - ✓  $\delta R_{\tau/\pi} = (0.16 \pm 0.14)\%$  and  $\delta R_{\tau/K} = (0.90 \pm 0.22)\%$ .
- ✓ Important **phenomenological and theoretical reasons** to address the analysis again.

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## ✓ By-products of the project:

✓ Radiative corrections in  $\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow P\nu_\tau[\gamma])$ .

✓ CKM unitarity test via  $\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow K\nu_\tau[\gamma])$  or via the ratio  $\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow K\nu_\tau[\gamma]) / \Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \pi\nu_\tau[\gamma])$ .

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<sup>^</sup> Cirigliano et al.'10 '19 '22

<sup>^</sup> González-Alonso & Martín-Camalich '16 *JHEP* 12 (2016) 052

<sup>^</sup> González-Solís et al. '20 *Phys.Lett.B* 804 (2020) 135371

# 2. RadCors to $P_{[2[\gamma]]}$ decays ( $P=\pi, K$ )

- ✓ Calculated unambiguously within the **Standard Model** (Chiral Perturbation Theory, ChPT\*).
- ✓ Notation by **Marciano & Sirlin\*\*** and numbers by **Cirigliano Rosell\*\*\*** ( $D=d,s$  for  $\pi, K$  and  $F_\pi \approx 92.2$  MeV):

$$\Gamma(P \rightarrow \mu\nu_\mu[\gamma]) = \underbrace{\frac{G_F^2 |V_{uD}|^2 F_P^2}{4\pi} m_P m_\mu^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_P^2}\right)^2}_{\text{LO result}} \underbrace{S_{EW}}_{\substack{\text{short-distance} \\ \text{EW correction} \\ \approx 1.0232^{**}}} \underbrace{\left\{1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} F(m_\mu^2/m_P^2)\right\}}_{\substack{\text{structure independent (SI)} \\ \text{contributions (point-like} \\ \text{approximation)}^\wedge} \times \left\{1 - \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left[ \frac{3}{2} \log \frac{m_\rho}{m_P} + c_1^{(P)} + \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\rho^2} \left( c_2^{(P)} \log \frac{m_\rho^2}{m_\mu^2} + c_3^{(P)} + c_4^{(P)} (m_\mu/m_P) \right) - \frac{m_P^2}{m_\rho^2} \tilde{c}_2^{(P)} \log \frac{m_\rho^2}{m_\mu^2} \right] \right\}$$

↑ structure-dependent (SD) contributions

✓ The only **model-dependence** is the determination of the **counterterms** in  $c_1^{(P)}$  and  $c_3^{(P)}$ :

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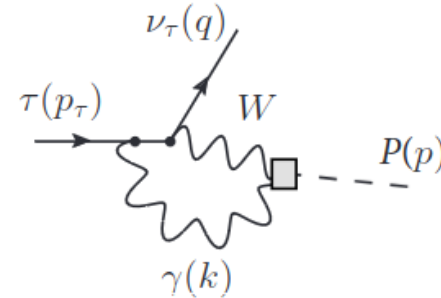
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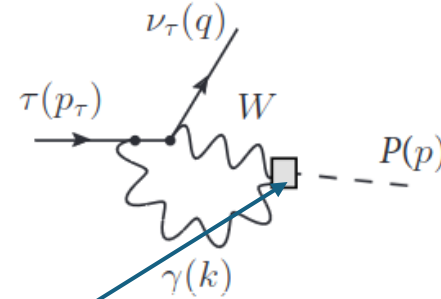
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### 1. Structure-independent contribution (point-like approximation): SI.

✓ We confirm the results by DF'95\*. 
$$\delta R_{\tau/P}|_{SI} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left\{ \frac{3}{2} \log \frac{M_\tau^2 m_P^2}{m_\mu^4} + \frac{3}{2} + g \left( \frac{m_P^2}{M_\tau^2} \right) - f \left( \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_P^2} \right) \right\}$$

$$f(x) = 2 \left( \frac{1+x}{1-x} \log x - 2 \right) \log(1-x) - \frac{x(8-5x)}{2(1-x)^2} \log x + 4 \frac{1+x}{1-x} \text{Li}_2(x) - \frac{x}{1-x} \left( \frac{3}{2} + \frac{4}{3} \pi^2 \right)$$

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$$\delta R_{\tau/\pi}|_{SI} = 1.05\% \text{ and } \delta R_{\tau/K}|_{SI} = 1.67\%$$

### 2. Real-photon structure-dependent contribution: rSD.

✓  $\delta_{P\mu}|_{rSD}$  from Cirigliano & IR'07\*\*:  $\delta_{\pi\mu}|_{rSD} = -1.3 \cdot 10^{-8}$  and  $\delta_{K\mu}|_{rSD} = -1.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$ .

✓  $\delta_{\tau P}|_{rSD}$  from Guo & Roig'10\*\*\*:  $\delta_{\tau\pi}|_{rSD} = 0.15\%$  and  $\delta_{\tau K}|_{rSD} = (0.18 \pm 0.05)\%$ .

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- ✓  $\delta_{\tau P}|_{\text{vSD}}$ , **new calculation**:  $\delta_{\tau\pi}|_{\text{vSD}} = (-0.48 \pm 0.56)\%$  and  $\delta_{\tau K}|_{\text{vSD}} = (-0.45 \pm 0.57)\%$ .

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### 3. Virtual-photon structure-dependent contribution: vSD.

- ✓  $\delta_{P\mu}|_{\text{vSD}}$  from Cirigliano & Rosell '07\*:  $\delta_{\pi\mu}|_{\text{vSD}} = (0.54 \pm 0.12)\%$  and  $\delta_{K\mu}|_{\text{vSD}} = (0.43 \pm 0.12)\%$ .
- ✓  $\delta_{\tau P}|_{\text{vSD}}$ , **new calculation**:  $\delta_{\tau\pi}|_{\text{vSD}} = (-0.48 \pm 0.56)\%$  and  $\delta_{\tau K}|_{\text{vSD}} = (-0.45 \pm 0.57)\%$ .

$$\delta R_{\tau/\pi}|_{\text{vSD}} = (-1.02 \pm 0.57)\% \text{ and } \delta R_{\tau/K}|_{\text{vSD}} = (-0.88 \pm 0.58)\%$$

- ✓ **Uncertainties** dominated by  $\delta_{\tau P}|_{\text{vSD}}$ :
  - ✓ **P decays** within **ChPT** [counterterms can be determined by **matching** ChPT with the resonance effective approach at higher energies], whereas  **$\tau$  decays** within **resonance effective approach** [no matching to determine the counterterms].
  - ✓ Estimation of the **model-dependence** by comparing our results with a less general scenario where **only well-behaved two-point Green functions** and a **reduced resonance Lagrangian** is used:  $\pm 0.22\%$  and  $\pm 0.24\%$  for the pion and the kaon case.
  - ✓ Estimation of the **counterterms** by considering the **running between 0.5 and 1.0 GeV**:  $\pm 0.52\%$  (similar procedure in Marciano & Sirlin'93). **Conservative estimate**, since vSD counterterms affecting in **P decays** imply similar corrections to our estimation of the vSD counterterms in  **$\tau$  decays**.

\* **Cirigliano & Rosell '07:**

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## 5. Results

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Contribution	$\delta R_{\tau/\pi}$	$\delta R_{\tau/K}$	Ref.
SI	+1.05%	+1.67%	*
rSD	+0.15%	$+(0.18 \pm 0.05)\%$	**
vSD	$-(1.02 \pm 0.57)\%$	$-(0.88 \pm 0.58)\%$	new
<b>Total</b>	<b><math>+(0.18 \pm 0.57)\%</math></b>	<b><math>+(0.97 \pm 0.58)\%</math></b>	new

Errors are not reported if they are lower than 0.01%.

- ✓ Central values agree remarkably with DF'95, merely a coincidence:  $\delta R_{\tau/\pi} = (0.16 \pm 0.14)\%$  and  $\delta R_{\tau/K} = (0.90 \pm 0.22)\%$ , **but** in that work:
  - ✓ problematic hadronization: form factors are different for real- and virtual-photon corrections, do not satisfy the correct QCD short-distance behavior, violate unitarity, analyticity and the chiral limit at leading non-trivial orders.
  - ✓ a cutoff to regulate the loop integrals, splitting unphysically long- and short-distance regimes.
  - ✓ unrealistic uncertainties (purely  $O(e^2p^2)$  ChPT size).

\* Decker & Finkemeier'95 *Nucl.Phys.B* 438 (1995) 17-53

\*\* Cirigliano & Rosell'07 *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 99 (2007) 231801 *JHEP* 10 (2007) 005

\*\*\* Guo & Roig'10 *Phys.Rev.D* 82 (2010) 113016

## 6. Application I: Radiative corrections in $\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow P\nu_\tau[\gamma])$

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$$\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow P\nu_\tau[\gamma]) = \frac{G_F^2 |V_{uD}|^2 F_P^2}{8\pi} M_\tau^3 \left(1 - \frac{m_P^2}{M_\tau^2}\right)^2 S_{EW} (1 + \delta_{\tau P})$$

short-distance  
EW correction  
 $\approx 1.0232^*$

✓  $\delta_{\tau P}$  includes **SI** and **SD radiative** corrections.



$$\delta_{\tau P} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left( g \left( \frac{m_P^2}{M_\tau^2} \right) + \frac{19}{4} - \frac{2\pi^2}{3} - 3 \log \frac{m_\rho}{M_\tau} \right) + \delta_{\tau P}|_{rSD} + \delta_{\tau P}|_{vSD} = \begin{cases} \delta_{\tau\pi} = (-0.24 \pm 0.56)\% \\ \delta_{\tau K} = (-0.15 \pm 0.57)\% \end{cases}$$

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\* Marciano & Sirlin'93

# 6. Application II: lepton universality test

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$$R_{\tau/P} \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow P\nu_\tau[\gamma])}{\Gamma(P \rightarrow \mu\nu_\mu[\gamma])} = \left| \frac{g_\tau}{g_\mu} \right|_P^2 \frac{1}{2} \frac{M_\tau^3}{m_\mu^2 m_P} \frac{(1 - m_P^2/M_\tau^2)^2}{(1 - m_\mu^2/m_P^2)^2} (1 + \delta R_{\tau/P})$$



$$\left| \frac{g_\tau}{g_\mu} \right|_\pi = 0.9964 \pm 0.0028_{\text{th}} \pm 0.0025_{\text{exp}} = 0.9964 \pm 0.0038$$
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- ✓  $\pi$  case: at  $0.9\sigma$  of LU vs.  $1.6\sigma$  of LU in HFLAV'21\* using DF'95\*\*
- ✓  $K$  case: at  $1.8\sigma$  of LU vs.  $1.9\sigma$  of LU in HFLAV'21\* using DF'95\*\*

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## 6. Application III: CKM unitarity test in the ratio $\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow K\nu_\tau[\gamma]) / \Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \pi\nu_\tau[\gamma])$

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$$\frac{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow K\nu_\tau[\gamma])}{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \pi\nu_\tau[\gamma])} = \frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} \frac{F_K^2}{F_\pi^2} \frac{(1 - m_K^2/M_\tau^2)^2}{(1 - m_\pi^2/M_\tau^2)^2} (1 + \delta)$$

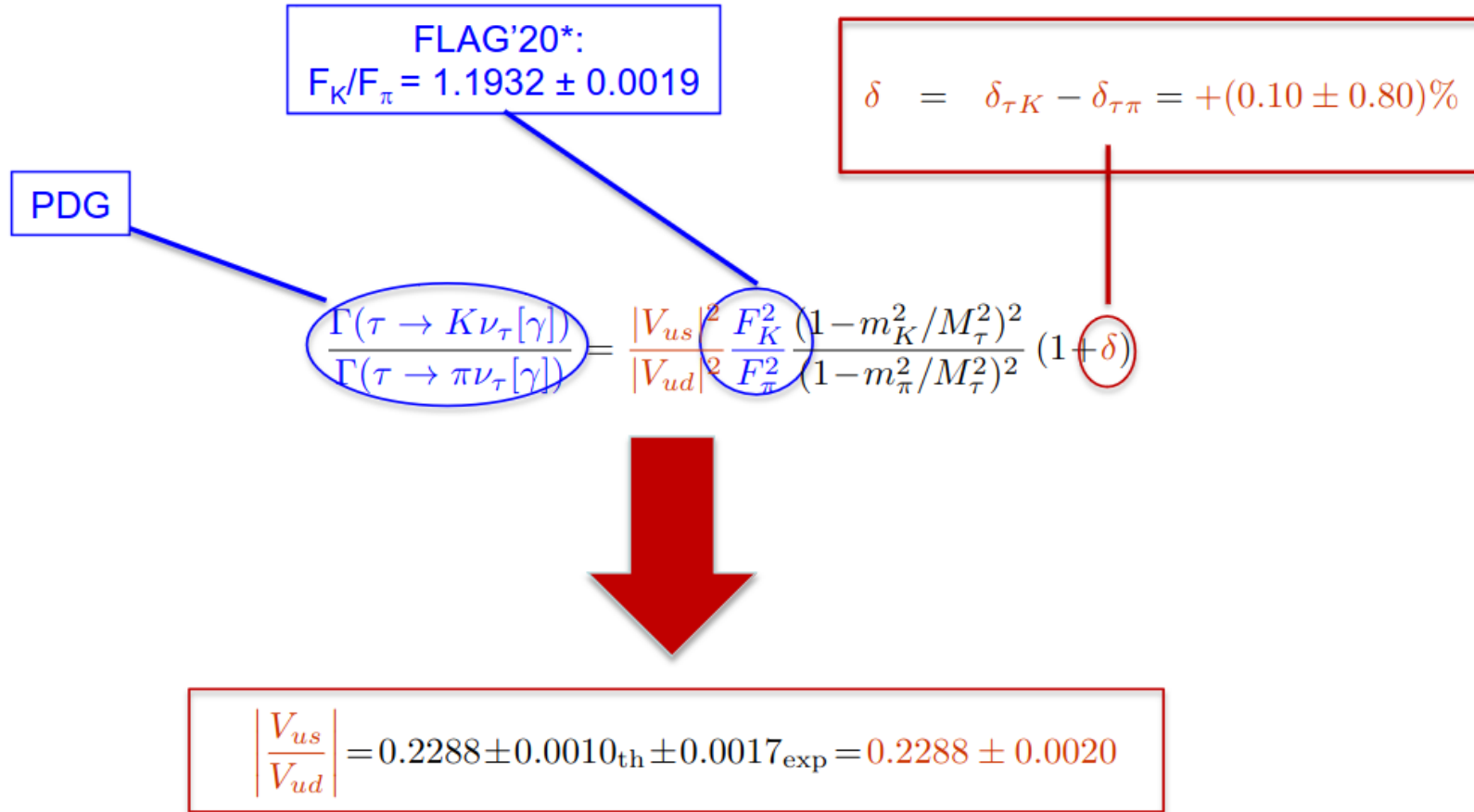


$$\left| \frac{V_{us}}{V_{ud}} \right| = 0.2288 \pm 0.0010_{\text{th}} \pm 0.0017_{\text{exp}} = 0.2288 \pm 0.0020$$



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- ✓  $2.1\sigma$  away from CKM unitarity, considering  $|V_{ud}| = 0.97373 \pm 0.00031^{**}$ .
- ✓ To be compared with  $|V_{us}/V_{ud}| = 0.2291 \pm 0.0009^{***}$ , obtained with kaon semileptonic decays. Our error does not reach this level due to lack of statistics in  $\tau$  decays.

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*Phys.Rev.C* 102 (2020) 4, 045501\*\* Hardy & Towner'20  
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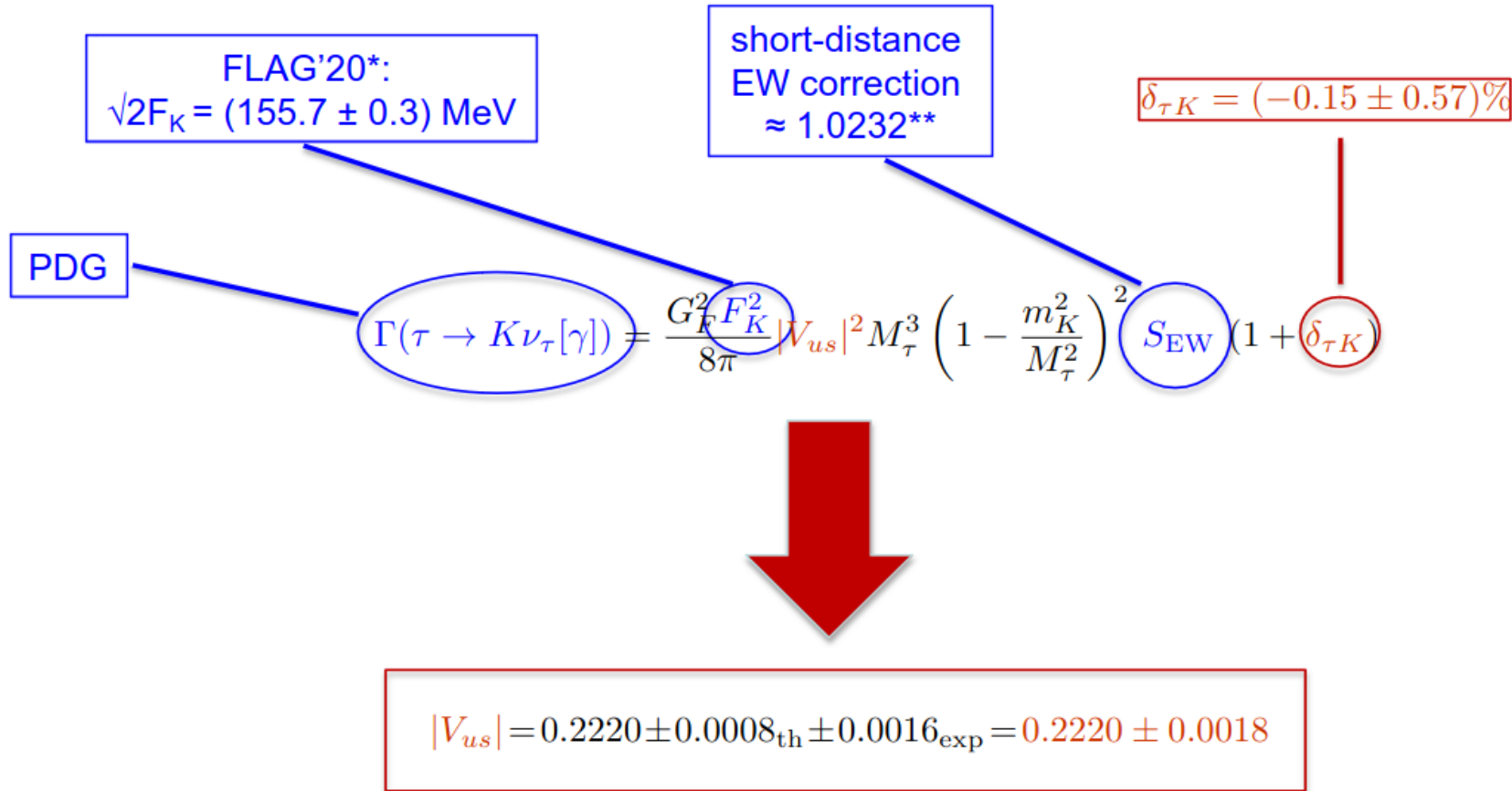
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$$|V_{us}| = 0.2220 \pm 0.0008_{\text{th}} \pm 0.0016_{\text{exp}} = 0.2220 \pm 0.0018$$

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- ✓  $2.6\sigma$  away from CKM unitarity, considering  $|V_{ud}| = 0.97373 \pm 0.00031^{***}$ .
- ✓ To be compared with  $|V_{us}| = 0.2234 \pm 0.0015^\wedge$  or  $|V_{us}| = 0.2231 \pm 0.0006^\dagger$ , obtained this last one with kaon semileptonic decays. Our error does not reach this level due to lack of statistics in  $\tau$  decays.

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$$\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow P\nu_\tau[\gamma]) = \frac{G_F^2 |\tilde{V}_{uD}|^2 F_P^2}{8\pi} M_\tau^3 \left(1 - \frac{m_P^2}{M_\tau^2}\right)^2 S_{\text{EW}} (1 + \delta_{\tau P} + 2\Delta^{\tau P})$$

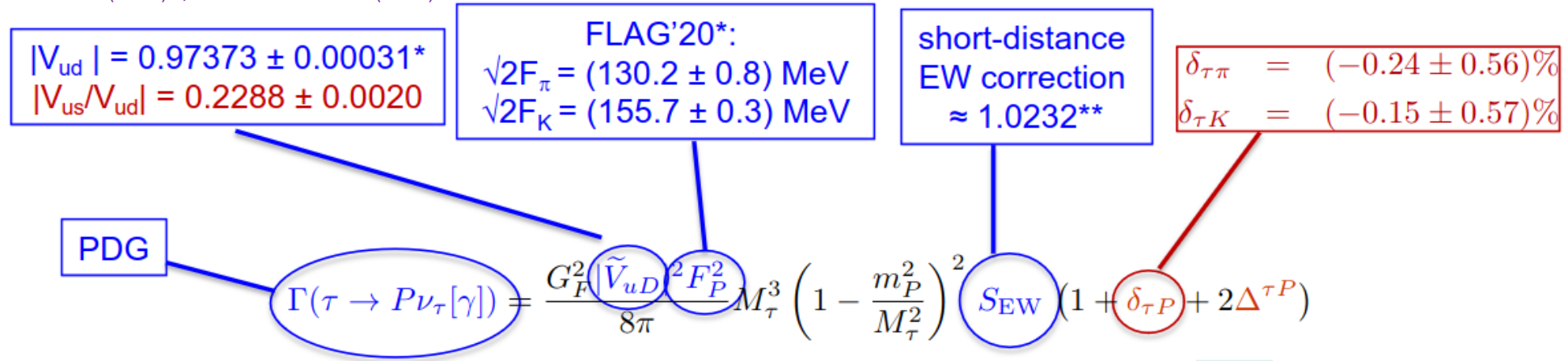
Values of  $\Delta^{\tau P}$  reported in the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme and at a scale of  $\mu=2$  GeV.



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- ✓ To be compared with  $\Delta^{\tau\pi} = -(0.12 \pm 0.68) \cdot 10^{-2}$  and  $\Delta^{\tau K} = (-0.41 \pm 0.93) \cdot 10^{-2}$  of González-Solís et al.'20<sup>†</sup>.

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## 7. Conclusions

- ✓ The **observable** and **our result**:

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- ✓ **Framework**: ChPT for  $\pi$  decays and a **resonance extension** of ChPT for  $\tau$  decays.
- ✓ Consistent with DF'95\*, but with more **robust assumptions** and yielding a **reliable uncertainty**.
- ✓ Applications:
  - ✓ Theoretical determination of **radiative corrections** in  $\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow P\nu_\tau[\gamma])$ .
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  - ✓ CKM unitarity in  $\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow K\nu_\tau[\gamma])$ :  $|V_{us}| = 0.2220 \pm 0.0018$ , at  $2.6\sigma$  from unitarity.
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- ✓ **Framework: ChPT f**  $\delta_{\text{EM}}^{K^- \pi^0} = -(0.009^{+0.010}_{-0.118})\%$  of ChPT for  $\tau$  decays.
- ✓ **Consistent with DF'**  $\delta_{\text{EM}}^{\bar{K}^0 \pi^-} = -(0.166^{+0.100}_{-0.157})\%$   $\delta_{\text{EM}}^{K^- \eta} = -(0.026^{+0.029}_{-0.163})\%$   $\delta_{\text{EM}}^{K^- \eta'} = -(0.304^{+0.422}_{-0.185})\%$
- ✓ **Applications:**
  - ✓ **Theoretical de**  $\delta_{\text{EM}}^{K^- K^0} = -(0.030^{+0.032}_{-0.180})\%$   $\delta_{\text{EM}}^{\pi^- \pi^0} = -(0.186^{+0.114}_{-0.203})\%$  ( $\tau \rightarrow P\nu_\tau[\gamma]$ ). **We have halved the uncertainty!**
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