

Measurement of the τ $g-2$, status & perspectives

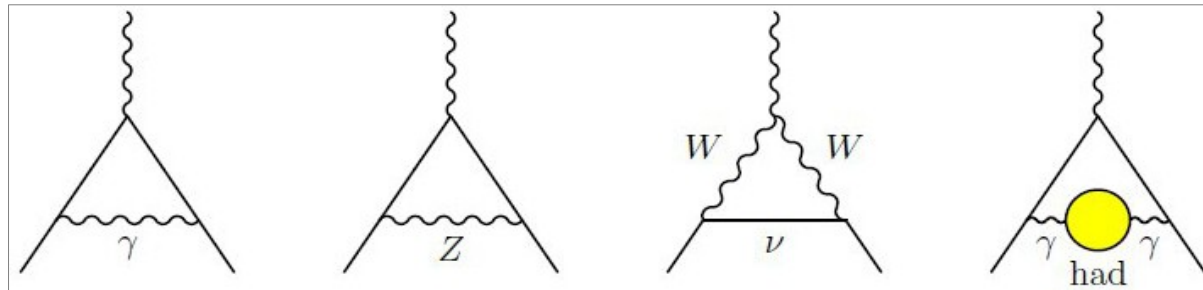
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g-2

- $a_l = (g_l - 2)/2$ is the QFT correction to the Dirac equation



- Actual value depends on the mass of the involved leptons

- SM predictions for the τ :

	μ	τ
a_{EW}/a_H	1/45	1/7
$a_{EW}/\delta a_H$	3	10

$a_{\tau}^{SM} =$	117324	(2)	$\times 10^{-8}$	QED
+	47.4	(0.5)	$\times 10^{-8}$	EW
+	337.5	(3.7)	$\times 10^{-8}$	HLO
+	7.6	(0.2)	$\times 10^{-8}$	HHO (vac)
+	5	(3)	$\times 10^{-8}$	HHO (lbl)

- Precision test of the SM and opportunity for NP searches
- g-2 has been measured with high precision for e and μ

Eidelman et al.,
JHEP03(2016)140

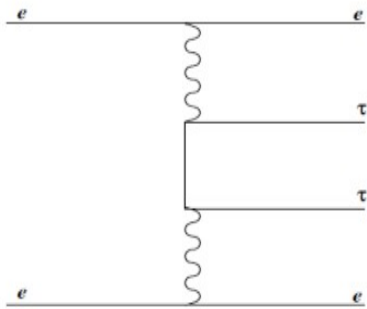
$$a_e = (1159.65218076 \pm 0.00000027) \times 10^{-6} \text{ (PDG 2014)}_e$$

$$a_{\mu} = (1165.9209 \pm 0.0006) \times 10^{-6} \text{ (PDG 2014)}_{\mu}$$

τ g-2 status

- What about the τ ?
- Too short lifetime, have to infer on g-2 from cross-section/decays
- Current limit on PDG by DELPHI using $e^-e^+ \rightarrow e^-e^+\tau^-\tau^+$ (assumes any deviation from tree diagram due to g-2)

$$a_\tau = 0.018 \pm 0.017$$



$$-0.052 < a_\tau < 0.013 \text{ at 95\% CL (PDG 2014)}$$

J. Abdallah et al. [DELPHI Collaboration],
EPJ C35 159

$e^-e^+ \rightarrow e^-e^+\tau^-\tau^+$ proposed by:

F. Cornet and J.I. Illana, Phys. Rev. D 53 (1996) 118

- To be compared to SM prediction $a_\tau = 1177.21(5) \times 10^{-6}$
- Model independent limits for NP:

$$-0.007 < a_\tau^{\text{NP}} < 0.005 \text{ at 95\% CL}$$

Gonzalez-Sprinberg, et al. Nucl. Phys. B 582 (2000) 3

τ g-2 @ B-factories

- Two different proposals in “recent” years:
- Measure g-2 in production via spin correlations of decays products:

J. Bernabeu et al., JHEP01(2009)062

- Measure g-2 in decays via leptonic radiative decays:

M. Passera et al., JHEP03(2016)140

- Caution: if the τ is off mass-shell what one measures is not g-2 but $F_2(q^2)$
- Most general ff γ vertex:

$$\Gamma^\mu(q^2) = -ieQ_f \left\{ \gamma^\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2m_f} \left[iF_2(q^2) + F_3(q^2)\gamma_5 \right] + \left(\gamma^\mu - \frac{2q^\mu m_f}{q^2} \right) \gamma_5 F_4(q^2) \right\}$$

- $F_2(q^2) \rightarrow \mathbf{a}_\tau$, $q^2 \rightarrow 0$
- For $e^- e^+ \rightarrow \tau^- \tau^+$ @ 1 loop $F_2(s) = \left(\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \right) \frac{2m_\tau^2}{s} \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\log \frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta} - i\pi \right)$, for $q^2 = s > 4m_\tau^2$

$$F_2(M_Y^2) = (2.65 - 2.45 i) \times 10^{-4} \quad \text{@ Y(4S)}$$

τ g-2 from asymmetries

- Spin dependent cross-section for $e^- e^+ \rightarrow \tau^- \tau^+$:

$$\frac{d\sigma(\vec{s}_+, \vec{s}_-)}{d\Omega_{\tau^-}} = \frac{d\sigma^0(\vec{s}_+, \vec{s}_-)}{d\Omega_{\tau^-}} + \frac{d\sigma^S(\vec{s}_+, \vec{s}_-)}{d\Omega_{\tau^-}} + \frac{d\sigma^{SS}(\vec{s}_+, \vec{s}_-)}{d\Omega_{\tau^-}}$$

- We consider 2 body (hv) final states; integrating out $\cos\theta_{\tau^-}$ one gets

$$d^4\sigma^{SS} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2\beta}{3s} [(s_+^x s_-^x) \mathcal{X}\mathcal{X} + (s_+^y s_-^y) \mathcal{Y}\mathcal{Y} + (s_+^z s_-^z) \mathcal{Z}\mathcal{Z}] \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{X}\mathcal{X} &= (2 - \beta^2) |F_1|^2 + 4\text{Re}\{F_2\} \\ \mathcal{Y}\mathcal{Y} &= -|F_1|^2 \beta^2 \\ \mathcal{Z}\mathcal{Z} &= (1 + \beta^2) |F_1|^2 + 2\text{Re}\{F_2\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\times \frac{d\Omega_{h^+}}{4\pi} \frac{d\Omega_{h^-}}{4\pi} Br_+ Br_-$$

- Integrating out, e.g., θ_{\pm}^* & performing asymmetric int. on ϕ_{\pm} one gets A_{TT} :

$$d^2\sigma_{TT} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2\beta}{96s} [-(\alpha_- \alpha_+)] (\mathcal{X}\mathcal{X}) (\cos\phi_- \cos\phi_+) d\phi_+ d\phi_- Br_+ Br_-$$

$$A_{TT} \equiv -\frac{\alpha_- \alpha_+}{\sigma} \left(\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\phi_- - \int_{\pi/2}^{3\pi/2} d\phi_- \right) \left(\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\phi_+ - \int_{\pi/2}^{3\pi/2} d\phi_+ \right) d^2\sigma_{TT}$$

$$= -\frac{\pi\alpha^2\beta}{6s} \frac{\alpha_- \alpha_+}{\sigma} [(2 - \beta^2) |F_1|^2 + 4\text{Re}\{F_2\}] Br_+ Br_-$$

- Using similar techniques one can get A_{NN} (asym. ϕ_{\pm}) and A_{LL} (asym. θ_{\pm}^*)

$$A_{NN} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2\beta}{6s} \frac{(\alpha_- \alpha_+)}{\sigma} \beta^2 |F_1|^2 Br_+ Br_- \quad A_{LL} = -\frac{\pi\alpha^2\beta}{6s} \frac{(\alpha_- \alpha_+)}{\sigma} [(1 + \beta^2) |F_1|^2 + 2\text{Re}\{F_2\}] Br_+ Br_-$$

τ $g-2$ from asymmetries (2)

- With a similar approach, one can define $A_{LT} \sim \text{Re}\{F_2\}$ (asym. int. on $\cos\theta_{\tau^-}$) and $A_N \sim \text{Im}\{F_2\}$ (from linear x-sec term, asym. int. on $\cos\theta_{\tau^-}$)
- Expected sensitivities for (excl.) $\tau \rightarrow h\nu$, $h=\pi, \rho$, 100% eff. (?), (no syst.):

		E X P E R I M E N T ($ab = \text{attobarn} = 10^{-18}b$)		
		Babar+Belle $2ab^{-1}$	Super B/Flavour Factory	
			(1 yr. running) $15ab^{-1}$	(5 yrs. running) $75ab^{-1}$
$\text{Re}\{F_2\}$	Correlations			
	$TT - -LT$	7.6×10^{-5}	2.8×10^{-5}	1.2×10^{-5}
	$LL - -LT$	5.2×10^{-5}	1.9×10^{-5}	8.5×10^{-6}
	$NN - -LT$	5.1×10^{-5}	1.8×10^{-5}	8.3×10^{-6}
	Global	2.9×10^{-5}	1.1×10^{-5}	4.7×10^{-6}
$\text{Im}\{F_2\}$ (from ref. [10])	Normal single- τ Asymm.	2.1×10^{-5}	7.8×10^{-6}	3.5×10^{-6}

τ g-2 from asymmetries: issues

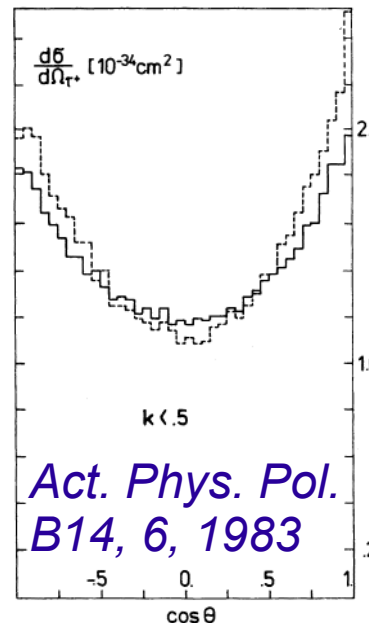
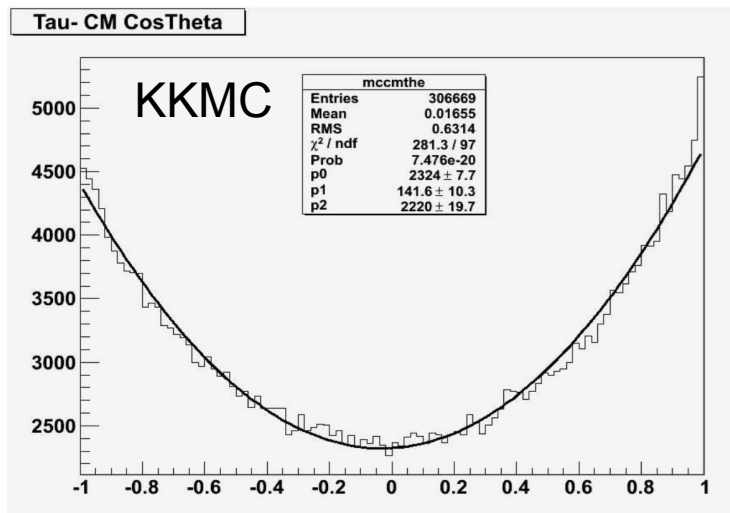
- Main assumption to extract F_2 from asymmetries: being on top of the resonance boxes and interference can be neglected

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_{\tau^-}} = \frac{\pi \alpha^2}{2s} \beta \left[(2 - \beta^2 \sin^2 \theta_{\tau^-}) |F_1(s)|^2 + 4 \operatorname{Re} \{F_2(s)\} \right] \times \operatorname{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow h^- \nu_\tau) \operatorname{Br}(\tau^+ \rightarrow h^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau)$$

Enhancement to res. amplitude

$$H(M_\Upsilon^2) = \frac{4\pi\alpha Q_b^2}{M_\Upsilon^2} \frac{|F_\Upsilon(M_\Upsilon^2)|^2}{i\Gamma_\Upsilon M_\Upsilon} = -i \frac{3}{\alpha} \operatorname{Br}(\Upsilon \rightarrow e^+e^-)$$

- From simulation it can be seen that this is not quite true



Act. Phys. Pol.
B14, 6, 1983

Tau and muon pair production cross sections in electron-positron annihilations at $\sqrt{s} = 10.58$ GeV radiation arising from $\gamma\gamma$ box diagrams. The contribution from the γ - Z^* interference is smaller than the Monte Carlo statistical precision. Although the QED interference results in a forward-backward asymmetry of a few percent, the contribution to the total cross section is con-

Banerjee et al.,
Phys.Rev.D77:054012,2008

- Can we somehow account for box diagrams in order to use this method?

g-2 from radiative τ decays

- Dates back to an idea by Laursen et al.

Radiation zeros and a test for the g value of the τ lepton

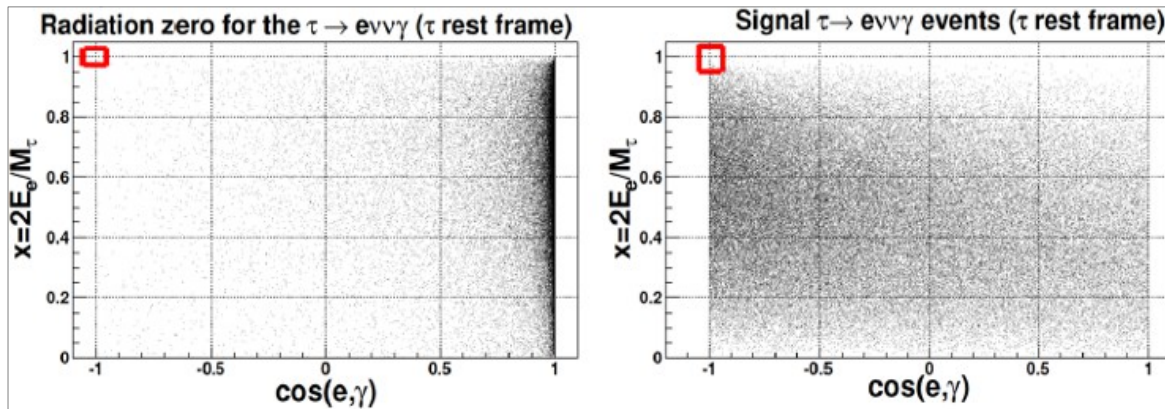
Laursen, Samuel, Sen, PRD29 (1984) 2652

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(Received 21 November 1983)

- Take advantage of “radiation zero”



Study of the tau $g-2$ via its radiative leptonic decays

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TAU 2012
Nagoya
September 18 2012

M. Passera et al. arxiv1301.5302

- Only sensitive to large values of $g-2$ ($N_{\text{evt}} \sim \mathbf{a}_\tau^2$)
- Recently M. Passera et al. suggested to use an effective lagrangian approach and full NLO QED corrections and fit on full phase-space

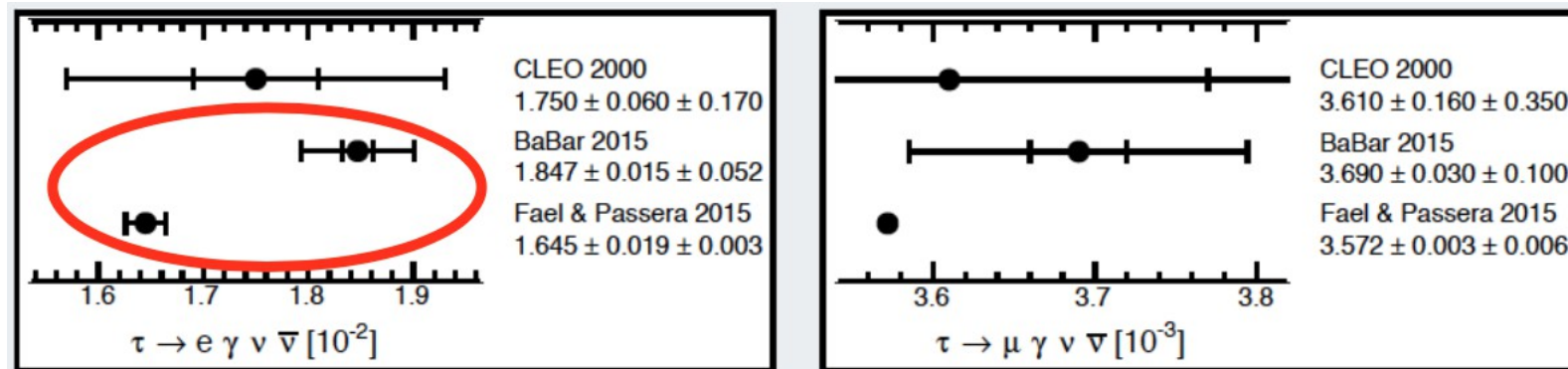
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + e_a \frac{e}{4\Lambda} O_a - e_d \frac{i}{2\Lambda} O_d,$$

$$O_a = \bar{\tau} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \tau F^{\mu\nu},$$

$$O_d = \bar{\tau} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \gamma_5 \tau F^{\mu\nu}.$$

$g-2$ from radiative τ decays (2)

- Radiative τ decays recently measured by BaBar, only other measurement on PDG (and only existing for electron channel) by CLEO



- CLEO 2000: T. Bergfeld et al., PRL 84 (2000) 830
- *BABAR* 2015: PRD 91, 051103 (2015)
- Fael & Passera 2015: NLO calculation, JHEP 07 (2015) 153, arXiv:1602.00457 [hep-ph]
- **3.5 σ discrepancy between *BABAR* 2015 and NLO calculation, to be investigated**

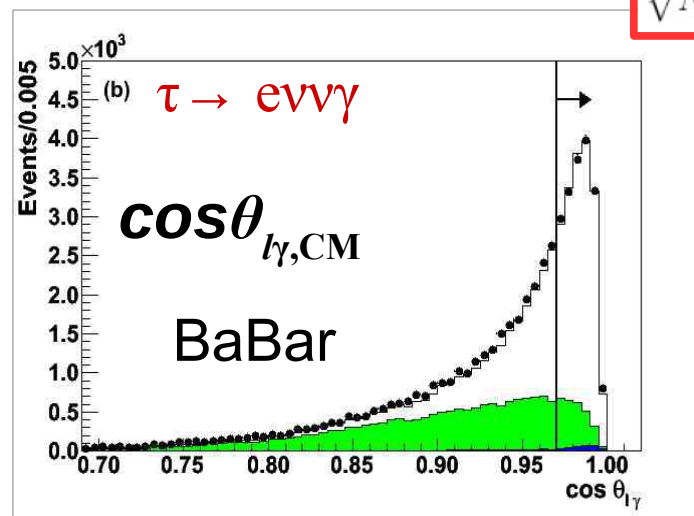
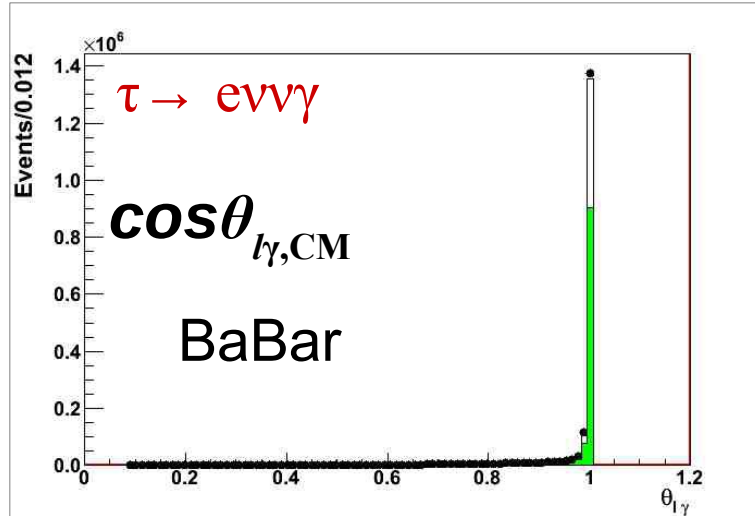
From M. Passera's talk @ Belle2 Italian Meeting

- Experimentally $\tau \rightarrow \mu \nu \nu \gamma$ relatively easy to measure $\tau \rightarrow e \nu \nu \gamma$ more complicated due to bremsstrahlung photons with similar signature as signal (@ BaBar hard-cut $m_{l\gamma} > 0.14 \text{ GeV}/c^2$)

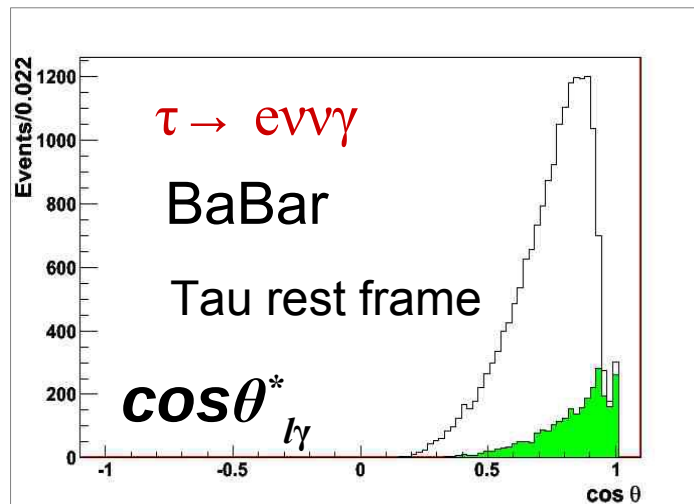
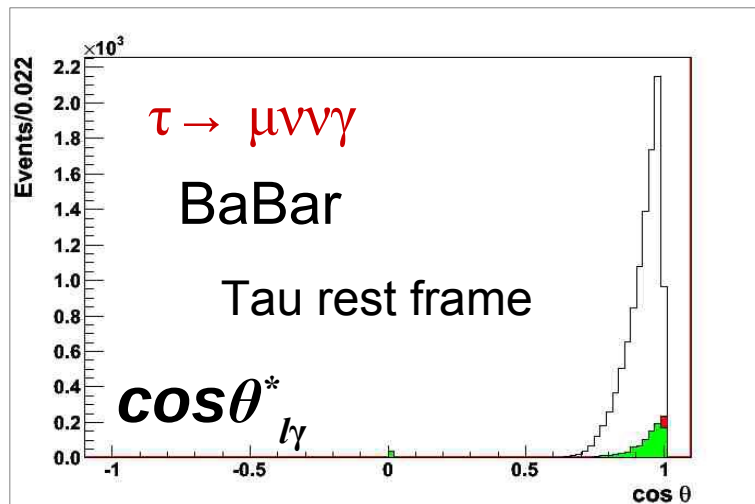
g-2 from radiative τ decays (3)

- To reduce (poorly known) bkg, selection is optimized using

$$\frac{N_{sig}}{\sqrt{N_{sig} + N_{bkg}(1 + \alpha^2 N_{bkg}) + \beta^2}}$$



- Due to selection requirements most sensitive PS region is lost



PRD 91, 051103 (2015)

Summary

- a_τ is very poorly known experimentally
- Use of spin correlations is attractive but effect of boxes has to be accounted → not usable yet. Possible?
- Radiative decays might be a viable way → detailed studies have to be performed and better detector performance is required
- Belle2 should finally measure a_τ !
- Some work from both theory and experiment is required



Backups

Asymmetries ref. frame

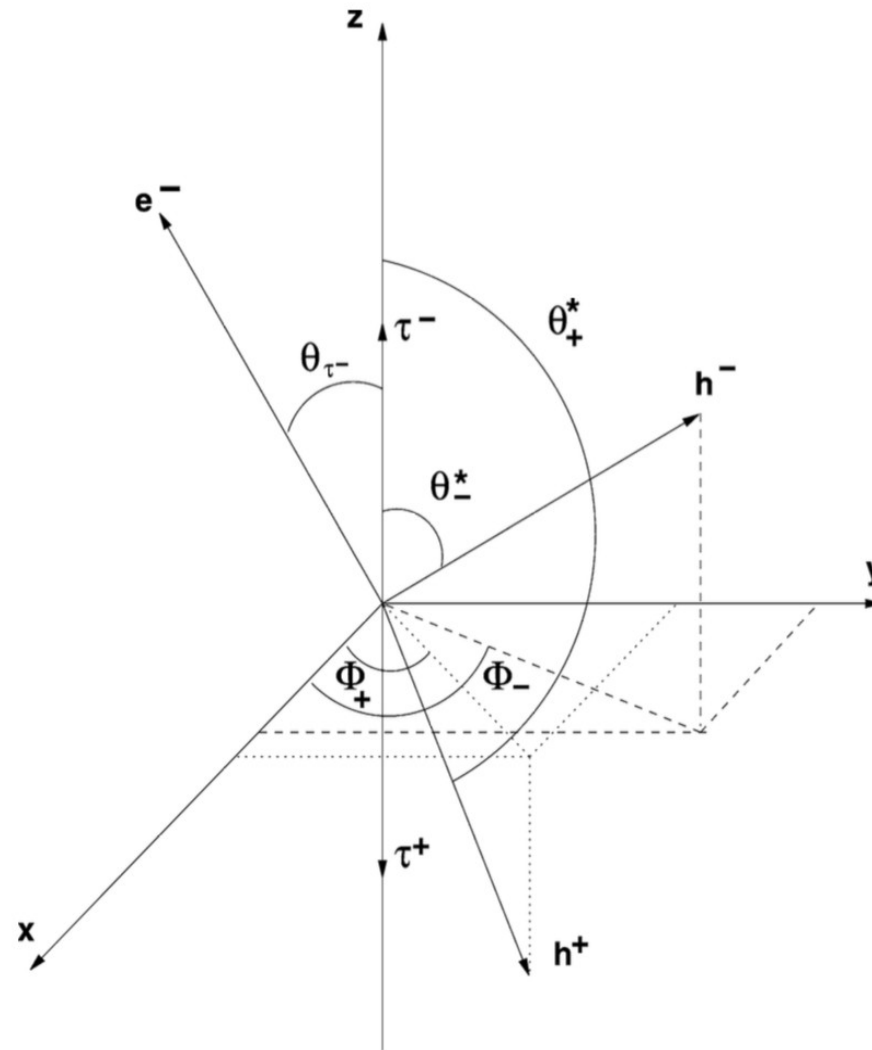


Fig. 2. Coordinate system for h^\pm production from the τ^\pm .

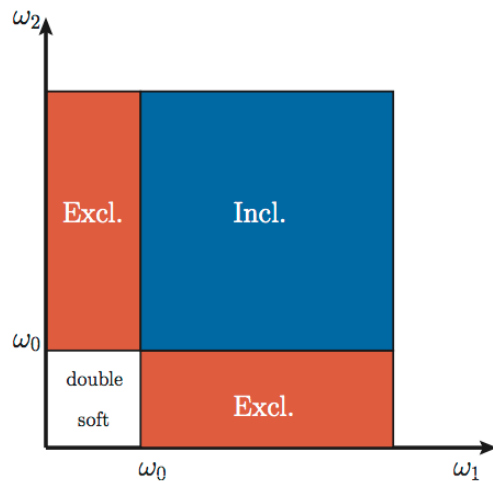
Double real soft photon

Inclusive and exclusive branching ratios at NLO

τ

The branching ratio of radiative μ and τ leptonic decays for a minimum photon energy ω_0 :

$$\mathcal{B}(\omega_0) \propto \int d\Phi_4 (d\Gamma_{\text{LO}} + d\Gamma_{\text{virt}}) + \int d\Phi_5 d\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$$



- ▶ $\mathcal{B}^{\text{Exc}}(\omega_0)$: only one γ of energy $\omega > \omega_0$, additional second soft photon $\omega' < \omega_0$.

$$\mathcal{B}^{\text{Exc}}(\omega_0) = \blacksquare$$

- ▶ $\mathcal{B}^{\text{Inc}}(\omega_0)$: at least one γ of energy $\omega > \omega_0$.

$$\mathcal{B}^{\text{Inc}}(\omega_0) = \blacksquare + \blacksquare$$

Double real soft photon

B.R. of radiative τ leptonic decays ($\omega_0 = 10$ MeV)		
	$\tau \rightarrow e\bar{\nu}\nu\gamma$	$\tau \rightarrow \mu\bar{\nu}\nu\gamma$
\mathcal{B}_{LO}	1.834×10^{-2}	3.663×10^{-3}
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{Inc}}$	$-1.06 (1)_n (10)_N \times 10^{-3}$	$-5.8 (1)_n (2)_N \times 10^{-5}$
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{Exc}}$	$-1.89 (1)_n (19)_N \times 10^{-3}$	$-9.1 (1)_n (3)_N \times 10^{-5}$
\mathcal{B}^{Inc}	$1.728 (10)_{\text{th}} (3)_{\tau} \times 10^{-2}$	$3.605 (2)_{\text{th}} (6)_{\tau} \times 10^{-3}$
\mathcal{B}^{Exc}	$1.645 (19)_{\text{th}} (3)_{\tau} \times 10^{-2}$	$3.572 (3)_{\text{th}} (6)_{\tau} \times 10^{-3}$
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{EXP}}^{\dagger}$	$1.847 (15)_{\text{st}} (52)_{\text{sy}} \times 10^{-2}$	$3.69 (3)_{\text{st}} (10)_{\text{sy}} \times 10^{-3}$

(n): numerical errors

(N): uncomputed NNLO corr.

$$\sim (\alpha/\pi) \ln r \ln(\omega_0/M) \times \mathcal{B}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{Exc/Inc}}$$

† BaBar, PRD 91 (2015) 051103;
B. Oberhof, arXiv:1502.01810.

(th): combined (n) \oplus (N)

(τ): experimental error of τ

lifetime: $\tau_{\tau} = 2.903(5) \times 10^{-13}$ s

Fael, Mercolli and MP, 1506.03416 (JHEP 2015)
Fael and MP, 1602.00457

SM contributions to g-2

$$\begin{aligned}
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 \end{aligned}$$

Up to 3 loops
M. Passera, Phys. Rev. D75(2007)013002
 $2 \ln^2(m_c/m_e)(\alpha/\pi)$ from
 un-calculated 4-loop term

Up to 2 loops
A. Czarnecki et al., PRL 76 (1996) 3267
T.V. Kukhto et al., Nucl. Phys. B 371 (1992) 567

Dispersion integral
S. Eidelman et al., Mod. Phys. Lett. A22(2007)159

B. Krause, Phys. Lett. B390 (1997) 392

S. Eidelman et al., Mod. Phys. Lett. A22(2007)159

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