Measuring | Vub | at LHCb

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- CKM Meachnism
- · How to measure CKM matrix elements in general?
- 2 Lecture: How to measure CKM matrix elements in B-decays?
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 - |*V*_{ub}|
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•
$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow p \mu \nu$$

• $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu$



1. Part: CKM mechanism



• In the SM quarks and leptons acquire mass through the Yukawa terms in the Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{Yukawa} = -rac{v}{\sqrt{2}}(ar{d}_L Y_d d_R + ar{u}_L Y_u u_R) + h.c.$$

left-handed quarks are coupled to right-handed ones

- q are the weak-eigenstates
- Y_u , Y_d are 3x3 complex Yukawa matrices \rightarrow not diagonal in "generation space"
- \rightarrow weak eigenstates \neq physical mass eigenstates



Diagonalization

- to get mass eigenstates u', d' diagonalize Yukawa matrices by unitary transformations:
 - $q_A' = V_{A,q}q_A$
 - with q = u, d, A = L, R and $V_{A,q}V_{A,q}^{\dagger} = 1$
- $V_{A,q}$ are determined by: $M_u = \begin{pmatrix} m_u & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_t \end{pmatrix} = diag(m_u, m_c, m_t) = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} V_{L,u} Y_u V_{R,u}^{\dagger},$ $M_d = \begin{pmatrix} m_d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_b \end{pmatrix} = diag(m_d, m_s, m_b) = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} V_{L,d} Y_d V_{R,d}^{\dagger},$ $\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{Yukawa} = -\bar{d}'_L M_d d'_R + \bar{u}'_L M_u u'_R + h.c.$

CKM matrix

 these transformations leave all parts of SM Lagragian unchanged, except for term describing the charged current weak interaction:

$$\mathcal{L}_{CC} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu W^+_\mu d_L + \bar{d}_L \gamma^\mu W^-_\mu u_L)$$

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{CC} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{u}'_L \gamma^\mu W^+_\mu \underbrace{V_{L,u} V^\dagger_{L,d}}_{V_{CKM}} d'_L + \bar{d}'_L \gamma^\mu W^-_\mu \underbrace{V_{L,d} V^\dagger_{L,u}}_{V^\dagger_{CKM}} u'_L)$$

⇒ The charged-current interaction gets a flavor structure which is encoded in the Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa (CKM) matrix ⇒ element $(V_{CKM})_{ij}$ connects the LH u-type quark of the ith generation with the LH d-type quark of the jth generation

CKM matrix

$$V_{CKM} = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{array}\right)$$

describes relation between weak eigenstates q and mass eigenstates
 q':
 (d)
 (d')

$$\left(egin{array}{c} d \ s \ b \end{array}
ight) = V_{CKM} \left(egin{array}{c} d' \ s' \ b' \end{array}
ight)$$

 \rightarrow weak eigenstates are a mixture of mass eigenstates

 weak interaction allows for transitions between different generations of quarks through charged current interactions



Parameters of CKM matrix

in general: NxN matrix

- n^2 complex elements = $2n^2$ real parameters
- unitarity condition: $V^{\dagger}V = 1$ implies n^2 constraints
 - n unitary conditions
 - $n^2 n$ orthogonality relations
- removing quark phases: 2n-1 constraints
- \rightarrow leaves $(n-1)^2$ free parameters
- $=\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$ rotation angles $+\frac{1}{2}(n-1)(n-2)$ phases

 \Rightarrow for 3x3 matrix: 3 rotation angles + 1 CP violating phase

PDG parametrization: 3 Euler angles $\theta_{23}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{12}$ and 1 Phase δ

$$V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{13}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} \\ -s_{12}c_{23} - c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & -c_{12}s_{23} - s_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

where $c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}$ and $s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}$

Wolfenstein Parametrization

Reflects the hierarchical structure of the CKM matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{d} & \mathbf{s} & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{s} & \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{c} & \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{s} & \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{c} & \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{s} & \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{t} & \mathbf{s} & \mathbf{s} & \mathbf{s} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda, A, \rho, \eta \text{ with } \lambda = 0.22 \qquad |V_{ub}| \times e^{-i\gamma}$$

$$V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \lambda^2/2 & \lambda & A\lambda^3(\rho - i\eta) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \lambda^2/2 & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3(1 - \rho - i\eta) & -A\lambda^2 & 1 \\ |V_{td}| \times e^{-i\beta} & -\lambda & -\lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

with $\lambda = \sin \theta_{12}$, $A\lambda^2 = \sin \theta_{23}$ and $\sin \theta_{23} e^{i\delta} = A\lambda^3(\rho + i\eta)$

Unitarity Condition

 $V^{\dagger}V = VV^{\dagger} = \mathbb{1}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{cccc} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{cccc} V_{ud}^* & V_{cd}^* & V_{td}^* \\ V_{us}^* & V_{cs}^* & V_{ts}^* \\ V_{ub}^* & V_{cb}^* & V_{tb}^* \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}\right)$$

leads to following three unitary relations:

$$V_{ud} V_{ud}^* + V_{us} V_{us}^* + V_{ub} V_{ub}^* = 1$$

$$V_{cd} V_{cd}^* + V_{cs} V_{cs}^* + V_{cb} V_{cb}^* = 1$$

$$V_{td} V_{td}^* + V_{ts} V_{ts}^* + V_{tb} V_{tb}^* = 1$$

- weak universality: squared sum of coupling strengths of u-quark to d, s and b-quarks is equal to overall charged coupling of c and t-quark
- adding up to 1, no probability remaining to couple to 4th down-type quark

Unitarity Triangles

remaining orthogonality conditions can be described by an triangle relations in the complex plane:

$$V_{ud}V_{ub}^{*} + V_{cd}V_{cb}^{*} + V_{td}V_{tb}^{*} = 0 \text{ (db)}$$
$$V_{us}V_{ub}^{*} + V_{cs}V_{cb}^{*} + V_{ts}V_{tb}^{*} = 0 \text{ (sb)}$$
$$V_{ud}V_{us}^{*} + V_{cd}V_{cs}^{*} + V_{td}V_{ts}^{*} = 0 \text{ (ds)}$$

$$\begin{split} &V_{ud}V_{td}^{*}+V_{us}V_{ts}^{*}+V_{ub}V_{tb}^{*}=0 \quad (\text{ut}) \\ &V_{cd}V_{td}^{*}+V_{cs}V_{ts}^{*}+V_{cb}V_{tb}^{*}=0 \quad (\text{ct}) \\ &V_{ud}V_{cd}^{*}+V_{us}V_{cs}^{*}+V_{ub}V_{cb}^{*}=0 \quad (\text{uc}) \end{split}$$



 \rightarrow all 6 triangles have same area $J_{CP}/2$, called the Jarlskog invariant, measure of CP violation of the SM

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Unitarity Triangle

• (db) and (ut) have both sides with similar length, terms of order λ^3 , better to visualize

 \rightarrow (db) triangle used as 'the unitarity triangle' for historic reasons (b-factories Belle & Babar):

$$V_{ud} V_{ub}^* + V_{cd} V_{cb}^* + V_{td} V_{tb}^* = 0$$

• divide each side by best-known one $V_{cd}V_{cb}^*$ gives:



The Unitarity Triangle



· angles of unitarity triangle:

$$\alpha \equiv \arg\left[-\frac{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}\right], \beta \equiv \arg\left[-\frac{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}\right], \gamma \equiv \arg\left[-\frac{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}\right]$$

- CKM matrix elements are fundamental parameters of the SM \rightarrow no theory predictions!

 \Rightarrow precise determination of parameters very important

• **Goal of flavour physics:** overconstrain unitarity triangle by complementary measurements & search for New Physics

2.Part: How to measure CKM matrix elements in general?



How to measure CKM matrix elements in general?

- as shown before CKM matrix elements included in charged current weak interaction Lagrangian
- magnitude can be measured from rates of respective flavour changing transitions



 \rightarrow emission of W boson

• rate of that is proportional to the coupling strength $|V_{ij}|^2$:

$$rac{d\Gamma}{dq^2} \propto G_F^2 |V_{ij}|^2 |f^+(q^2)|$$

 \rightarrow needs as input non-perturbative Form factor ($f^+(q^2)$) calculations from LQCD or QCD sum rules

 V_{ud}



Experimental measurements:

• measured from nuclear β decay: $n \rightarrow pe^- \bar{\nu_e}$

$$|V_{ud}| = 0.97417 \pm 0.00021$$

- error dominated by theoretical uncertainties due to binding energy corrections in nuclei
- also from neutron lifetime
- measure $\pi^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e$ branching ratio (PIBETA experiment)

 $V_{\rm US}$



- from semileptonic Kaon decays (many different experiments):
 K⁰_L → πμν, K[±] → π⁰e[±]ν,K[±] → π⁰μ[±]ν and K⁰_S → πeν can extract |V_{us}|f₊(0) → need to know form factor (FF) f₊(0) from Lattice calculations (LQCD)
- also from fully leptonic decays (KLOE experiment): $|V_{us}/V_{ud}|$ from $K \to \mu\nu(\gamma)$ and $\pi \to \mu\nu(\gamma)$ together with ratio of decay constants f_K/f_{π} from LQCD

average of both gives:

$$|V_{us}| = 0.2248 \pm 0.0006$$

• also from Hyperon decays and hadronic tau decays au o h
u $(h = \pi, K)$



- from **semileptonic charm decays** (BaBar, Belle, BESIII, CLEO-c): $D \rightarrow \pi I \nu, D \rightarrow K I \nu$ together with FFs $f^{D\pi}_{+}(0)$ from LQCD
- from **leptonic charm decays** (BESIII, CLEO): $D^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$ and decay constant f_D from LQCD





$|V_{cd}|$

• from **neutrino scattering data** (CDHS, CCFR, CHARM II): The difference of the ratio of double-muon to single-muon production by neutrino and antineutrino beams is proportional to the charm cross section off valence d quarks, and therefore to $|V_{cd}|^2$



gives total average of all 3 methods:

$$|V_{cd}| = 0.220 \pm 0.005$$

 V_{cs}



- from semileptonic D decays (Belle, BABAR, CLEO-c, BESIII): $D \rightarrow K l \nu$ together with FFs $f_{+}^{DK}(0)$ from LQCD
- from **leptonic** D_s decays (Belle, BABAR, CLEO-c): $D_s \rightarrow \mu\nu, \tau\nu$ using the PDG values for mass and lifetime of the D_s , the masses of the leptons and f_{Ds} from LQCD

averaging both gives:

$$|V_{cs}| = 0.995 \pm 0.016$$

• also from tagged on-shell $W^+
ightarrow c\bar{s}$ decays at LEPII

$|V_{td}|$ and $|V_{ts}|$

- · in general measurable in tree level top decays, but not precise enough
- · can be measured via virtual effects:
 - from $B \overline{B}$, $B_s \overline{B_s}$ oscillations mediated by box diagrams with top quarks and LQCD input for f_{B_d} and f_{B_s}



$$\begin{split} \Delta m_d &= (0.5064 \pm 0.0019) p s^{-1} \sim (V_{td}^* V_{tb})^2, \quad \Delta m_s = (17.757 \pm 0.021) p s^{-1} \sim (V_{ts}^* V_{tb})^2 \\ &|V_{td}| = (8.2 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-3}, \qquad |V_{ts}| = (40.0 \pm 2.7) \times 10^{-3} \end{split}$$

$|V_{td}|$ and $|V_{ts}|$

can be measured via virtual effects:

- **1** from $B \overline{B}$ oscillations mediated by box diagrams with top quarks
- 2 loop-mediated rare K and B decays
 - $B
 ightarrow X_s \gamma$ penguin process $\sim |V_{ts}^* V_{tb}|^2$
 - $B_{s}
 ightarrow \mu \mu$ box diagram
 - theoretical uncertainties in hadronic effects limit accurancy of current determinations, reduced when measuring $|V_{td}/V_{ts}|$ instead:

$$|V_{td}/V_{ts}| = 0.215 \pm 0.001 \pm 0.011$$

theoretically clean determination of |V^{*}_{ts}V_{td}| from K⁺ → π⁺νν
 ν, so far only 7 events observed from E949 & E787 Collaboration (*arXiv:0903.0030*), NA62 expected to improve that

 V_{tb}

• top decays at hadron colliders CDF, D0, ATLAS, CMS:

$$R = \mathcal{B}(t \to Wb) / \mathcal{B}(t \to Wq) = |V_{tb}|^2 / (\sum_q |V_{tq}|^2)$$
 with q=b,s,d
 $\Rightarrow R = |V_{tb}|^2$ assuming unitarity

 direct determination from single top-quark production cross section through *Wtb* vertex

combination of both:

$$|V_{tb}| = 1.009 \pm 0.031$$

dominated by experimental systematic uncertainties

$$V_{CKM} = \left(egin{array}{ccc} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{array}
ight) = \left(egin{array}{ccc} 0.97417 \pm 0.00021 & 0.2248 \pm 0.0006 & V_{ub} \ 0.220 \pm 0.005 & 0.995 \pm 0.016 & V_{cb} \ 0.0082 \pm 0.0006) & 0.04 \pm 0.0027 & 1.009 \pm 0.031 \end{array}
ight)$$

clear hierarchy visible as described in Wolfenstein parametrization:

$$|V_{CKM}| \sim \left(egin{array}{ccc} 1 & \lambda & V_{ub} \ \lambda & 1 & V_{cb} \ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & 1 \end{array}
ight)$$

with $\lambda \sim$ 0.22

Take Home Message

- CKM matrix encodes the flavour structure of charged-current interaction
- · weak interaction allows for transition between quark generations
- CKM matrix is unitary, complex 3x3 matrix \rightarrow 4 free paramters: 3 rotation angles & 1 CP violating phase
- CKM matrix elements are fundamental parameters of the SM \rightarrow need to be extracted from several different measurements
- · from unitarity condition get the unitarity triangle
- Goal of Flavour Physics to over constrain this by complementary measurements
- ightarrow next week discussion on V_{cb} and V_{ub}



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Thanks for your attention!



Backup Slides



$|V_{ud}|$

superallowed ($\Delta I = 0$) nuclear, neutron, and pion decays

 \rightarrow most precise determination from superallowed nuclear beta-decays (0^+ \rightarrow 0^+ transitions):

• with half-lives, t, and Q values (total energy released in a given nuclear decay) that give the decay rate factor, f:

$$Mt = rac{K}{2G_V^2(1+\Delta)}, \quad |V_{ud}| = G_V/G_F, \quad \Rightarrow |V_{ud}|^2 = rac{2984.48(5)sec}{ft(1+\Delta)}$$

- Δ denotes the electroweak radiative corrections (RC), nuclear structure, and isospin violating nuclear effects \rightarrow nucleus dependent
- most recent analysis of 14 precisely measured superallowed transitions gives a weighted average:

 $|V_{ud}| = 0.97420(10)_{exp.,nucl.}(18)_{RC}(superallowed)$

$|V_{ud}|$

Neutron lifetime:

• together the ratio of axial-vector/vector couplings, $g_A \equiv G_A/G_V$ via neutron decay asymmetries gives:

$$|V_{ud}|^2 = rac{4908.7(1.9)sec}{ au_n(1+3g_A^2)}$$

- error from uncertainties in the electroweak radiative corrections due to hadronic loop effects
- Using world averages for $\tau_n^{ave} = 879.3(9)sec$ and $g_A^{ave} = 1.2723(23)$ gives:

$$|V_{ud}| = 0.9763(5)_{ au_n}(15)_{g_A}(2)_{RC}$$

- error dominated by g_A uncertainties
- value of $|V_{ud}|$ is high by 1.3 sigma wrt. superallowed nuclear beta-decay

$|V_{ud}|$

pion decay:

• PIBETA experiment at PSI measured the very small ($\mathcal{O}(10^{-8})$) branching ratio for $\pi^+ \to \pi^0 e^+ \nu_e$ with about $\pm 0.5\%$ precision, gives:

$$|V_{ud}| = 0.9749(26) \left[rac{BR(\pi^+ o e^+
u_e(\gamma))}{1.2352 imes 10^{-4}}
ight]^{1/2}$$

- Theoretical uncertainties in the pion $\beta\text{-decay}$ determination are very small
- much higher statistics required to make this approach competitive with others



$|V_{us}|$

from kaon decays, hyperon decays, and tau decays

$$\Gamma_{K\!/\!3} = \frac{G_F^2 M_K^5}{192\pi^3} S_{EW} (1 + \delta_K' + \delta_{SU2}) C^2 |V_{us}|^2 f_+^2(0) I_K'$$

 M_{K} kaon mass, S_{EW} short-distance radiative correction, δ_{K}^{l} mode-dependent long-distance radiative correction, $f_{+}^{2}(0)$ calculated form factor at zero momentum transfer for the $l\nu$ system, l_{K}^{l} phase-space integral, δ_{SU2} for charged kaon decays deviation from one of the ratio of $f_{+}(0)$ for the charged to neutral kaon decay, C^{2} is 1 (1/2) for neutral (charged) kaon decays

• Many measurements during last decade have resulted in a significant shift in $|V_{us}|$ due to difference in $K \to \pi e^+ \nu$ branching fraction as a result of inadequate treatment of radiation in older experiments



- experiments: BNL E865, KTeV, KLOE, NA48, ISTRA+
- new measurements of branching fractions, of lifetimes and form factors resulted in improved precision for all of the experimental inputs, gives:

$$f_+(0)|V_{us}| = 0.2165(4)$$

using recent FLAG averages:

$$egin{aligned} |V_{us}| &= 0.2238(4)_{exp+RC}(6)_{lattice} & (N_f = 2+1, K_{l3} \ decays) \ &= 0.2231(4)_{exp+RC}(7)_{lattice} & (N_f = 2+1+1, K_{l3} \ decays) \end{aligned}$$



from a comparison of the radiative inclusive decay rates for $K \to \mu\nu(\gamma)$ and $\pi \to \mu\nu(\gamma)$ together with lattice calculation of f_{K^+}/f_{π^+} gives:

$$\frac{|V_{us}|f_{K^+}}{|V_{ud}|f_{\pi^+}} = 0.23871(20) \left[\frac{\Gamma(K \to \mu\nu(\gamma))}{\Gamma(\pi \to \mu\nu(\gamma))}\right]^{1/2}$$

small error coming from electroweak radiative corrections and isospin breaking effects, using experimental measurements for Γ together with FLAG averages gives:

give similar results as from KI3 decays

$|V_{us}|$

from hyperon beta decays:

$$\Lambda \rightarrow p e^- \bar{\nu}, \Sigma^- \rightarrow n e^- \bar{\nu}, \Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda e^- \bar{\nu}, \Xi^0 \rightarrow \Sigma^+ e^- \bar{\nu}$$
 gives:

$$|V_{us}| = 0.2250(27)$$

which neglects SU(3) breaking effects



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from tau decays: $\tau \rightarrow \nu KX$

averaging both inclusive and exclusive measurements, gives:

$$|V_{us}| = 0.2202(15)$$

differs by about 3 sigma from the kaon determination, mainly from inclusive determination

CKM Unitarity Constraints

Unitarity Requirement should be fulfilled:

$$|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 1$$

using PDG averages of $|V_{us}|$ (using only kaon decays)

$$|V_{us}| = 0.2244(6)$$
 $(N_f = 2 + 1)$
= 0.2243(5) $(N_f = 2 + 1 + 1)$

and $|V_{ud}|$ (using only superallowed nuclear beta decays)

$$|V_{ud}| = 0.97420(10)_{exp.,nucl.}(18)_{RC}$$

 $(|V_{ub}|^2 \simeq 1.7 \times 10^{-5}$ is negligibly small, ignored here) gives:

$$|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 0.9994(5)$$

 \Rightarrow strong confirmation of SM, better than 50 σ , implies constraints on NP

$|V_{cs}|$

Measurements of on-shell W^{\pm} decays sensitive to $|V_{cs}|$ were made by LEP-2

• W branching ratio to each lepton flavour is:

$$1/\mathcal{B}(W \to I\bar{\nu}_l) = 3\left[1 + \sum_{u,c,d,s,b} |V_{ij}|^2 (1 + \alpha_s(m_W)/\pi) + ...\right]$$

- Assuming lepton universality, the measurement $\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow l\bar{\nu}_l) = (10.83 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.07)\%$ implies $\Sigma_{u,c,d,s,b} |V_{ij}|^2 = 2.002 \pm 0.027$
- only flavour-tagged W-decays determine $|V_{cs}|$ directly, DELPHI's tagged $W^+ \to c\bar{s}$ analysis, yielding

$$|V_{cs}| = 0.94^{+0.32}_{-0.26} \pm 0.13$$