Search for $\mu \rightarrow$ eee at the High Intensity and Technology Frontier: The Mu3e Experiment

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History of LFV Decay experiments



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Discovery of Neutrino Oscillations



(c) Kamioke Observatory, ICRR(Institute for Cosmic Ray Research), The University of Tokyo

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FCNC + Fermion Mass Pattern

$$\frac{\mu^{\nu_{\mu}}}{W^{e}} \frac{\psi^{e}}{e} e$$

FCNC in SM quark sector ~ 10⁻¹⁰
FCNC in SM lepton sector < 10⁻⁴⁰

$$BR(l_{j} \rightarrow l_{k} \gamma) \propto \left| \sum_{i} V_{ij} V_{jk}^{*} \frac{m_{\nu_{i}}^{2}}{M_{W}^{2}} \right|^{2}$$
$$\sim \left| \frac{\Delta m_{\nu_{jk}}^{2}}{M_{W}^{2}} \right|^{2}$$

→ Charged LFV is THE signature of new physics!



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LFV Muon Decays: Experimental Situation



LFV Muon Decays in the SM



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LFV Muon Decays from SUSY Loops



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LFV Muon Decays from SUSY Loops



Most BSM models (e.g. SUSY) induce naturally LFV

LFV Tree Diagrams



Lepton Flavor Violating Decay: $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+e^-$



loop diagrams

e Exotic Physics e Z' μ e

tree diagram

- Supersymmetry
- Little Higgs Models
- Seesaw Models
- GUT models (Leptoquarks)
- many other models

- Higgs Triplet Model
- New Heavy Vector bosons (Z')
- Extra Dimensions (KK towers)

Example I: Higgs Triplet Models

M.Kakizaki et al., Phys.Lett. **B566** 210, 2003

Motivated by Left-Right Symmetric Models



Example I: Higgs Triplet Models (cont'd)

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A= trilinear coupling (25 eV)

Example II: LFV Higgs Couplings



LFV decays of SM Higgs:

$$BR(h \to \ell^{\alpha} \ell^{\beta}) = \frac{\Gamma(h \to \ell^{\alpha} \ell^{\beta})}{\Gamma(h \to \ell^{\alpha} \ell^{\beta}) + \Gamma_{SM}}$$

LFV muon decay:

 $\sim \sqrt{|Y_{\mu e}|^2 + |Y_{e \mu}|^2}$

LHC and muon decay searches are largely complementary!

R. Harnik, J. Kopp J, Zupan [arXiv:1206.6497]



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Example III: Low Scale Seesaw Model

"Inverted Seesaw Model"



$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+e^-$ Penguin Loop and Box Diagrams



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Model Independent Comparison



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Mu3e Experiment



new collaborators KIT (Karlsruhe) + Uni Mainz



Search for $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+e^-$ at PSI



project approved in Jan 2013

 $\begin{array}{l} \underline{\text{Aiming for a sensitivity of}}\\ BR(\mu \rightarrow e\,e\,e\,) < 10^{\text{-15}} \quad (\text{phase I})\\ BR(\mu \rightarrow e\,e\,e\,) < 10^{\text{-16}} \quad (\text{phase II}) \end{array}$

before end of this decade

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PSI Facility for Mu3e



Phase I (2015+): ~10⁸ muons/s

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πe5 Beamline (Phase I)

MEG and Mu3e could co-exist if MEG is to be upgraded



• muon rates of 1.4 • 10⁸/s achieved in past

• rate of 10⁸/s muons needed to reach B($\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+e^-$) ~ 2 · 10 ⁻¹⁵ (90%CL)

PSI Facility for Mu3e



Phase I (2015+): ~10⁸ muons/s

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High Intensitiy Muon Beamline (Phase II)



- Muon rates in excess of 10⁹ per second in beam phase acceptance possible
- 2 · 10⁹ muons/s needed to reach ultimate goal of B(μ⁺ →e⁺e⁺e⁻) < 10⁻¹⁶
- Not before 2019

Backgrounds

Irreducible BG: radiative decay with internal conversion



$$\mathsf{B}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^- vv) = 3.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$$





$$\sum_{i} E_{i} = m_{\mu}$$
$$\sum_{i} \vec{p}_{i} = 0$$

Backgrounds

Irreducible BG: radiative decay with internal conversion



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Accidental Backgrounds

- Overlays of two ordinary µ⁺ decays with a (fake) electron (e⁻)
- Electrons from: Bhabha scattering, photon conversion, mis-reconstruction



Kinematic Resolution + Multiple Scattering



<u>Muon decay:</u>

- → electrons in low momentum range p < 53 MeV/c</p>
- Multiple scattering is dominant!

 Need thin, fast and high resolution tracking detectors operated at high rate of ~ 10⁹ particles/s

$$\Theta_{MS} \sim \frac{1}{P} \sqrt{X/X_0}$$

Silicon Pixel Detector



Technology Choice

High Voltage Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (HV-MAPS)

- high precision \rightarrow pixels 80 x 80 μ m²
- can be "thinned" down to \sim **35 µm** (\sim 0.0005 X₀)
- Iow production costs (standard HV-CMOS process, 60-80 V)
- active sensors \rightarrow hit finding + digitisation + readout
- triggerless and fast readout (LVDS link integrated)
- Iow power: ~150 mW/cm²

Mechanical Prototypes for Pixel Tracker

<u>Ultra-thin detector mock-up:</u>

- sandwich of 25 µm Kapton[®]
- 50/100 µm glass (instead of Si)





50 mu silicon wafer



• Kapton Frame •

$X \le 0.1\% X_0$ per layer possible

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Test Beam Results for HV-MAPS



sensor efficiency > 99.5%

Mu3e Experimental Proposal



















Momentum Resolution in MS Regime

Standard spectrometer:



$$\frac{\sigma_p}{P} \sim \frac{\Theta_{MS}}{\Omega}$$

(linearised)

precision requires large lever arm large bending angle Ω

Momentum Resolution in MS Regime

• "Half turn" spectrometer:



$$\frac{\sigma_p}{P} \sim O(\Theta_{MS}^2)$$

- best precision for half turn tracks
- have to measure recurlers











Pileup



Pixel Detector: Readout Frames @ 20 MHz

100 muon decays @ rate 2 · 10⁹ muon stops/s



50 ns snapshot

Pixel: Readout Frames 50 ns

100 muon decays @ rate 2 · 10⁹ muon stops/s



Additional Time of Flight (ToF) detectors required < 1ns

Mu3e Time of Flight System

not to scale



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Scintillating Fiber Tracker







- 2-3 layers of scintillating fibers $\emptyset = 250 \ \mu m$
- read-out by silicon photomultiplies (SiPMs) and custom ASICs
- time resolution <1 ns</p>

Invariant Mass Resolution of Signal



Sensitivity Study



Sensitivity Projection



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Conclusions

- Charged LFV well motivated and "almost unavoidable" in BSM models
- New era of high rate muon decay experiments searching for charged LFV
- Several projects including Mu3e aiming for sensitivities of 10⁻¹⁶ or even beyond!
- New technologies (HV-MAPS, Si-Photomultiplier) are crucial for high rate precision experiments
- Mu3e Experiment eventually aiming for $B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+e^-) < 10^{-16}$ expected to deliver first results in a few years time