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Study of Michel parameters in τ decays at Belle

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Introduction

In the SM charged weak interaction is described by the exchange of W^\pm with a pure vector coupling to only left-handed fermions ("V-A" Lorentz structure). Deviations from "V-A" indicate New Physics. $\tau^- \rightarrow \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \nu_\tau$ ($\ell = e, \mu$) decays provide clean laboratory to probe electroweak couplings.

The most general, Lorentz invariant four-lepton interaction matrix element:

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{4G}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\substack{N=S,V,T \\ i,j=L,R}} g_{ij}^N \left[\bar{u}_i(I^-) \Gamma^N v_n(\bar{\nu}_I) \right] \left[\bar{u}_m(\nu_\tau) \Gamma_N u_j(\tau^-) \right],$$

$$\Gamma^S = 1, \quad \Gamma^V = \gamma^\mu, \quad \Gamma^T = \frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}} (\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu - \gamma^\nu \gamma^\mu)$$

Ten couplings g_{ij}^N , in the SM the only non-zero constant is $g_{LL}^V = 1$

Four bilinear combinations of g_{ij}^N , which are called as Michel parameters (MP): ρ , η , ξ and δ appear in the energy spectrum of the outgoing lepton:

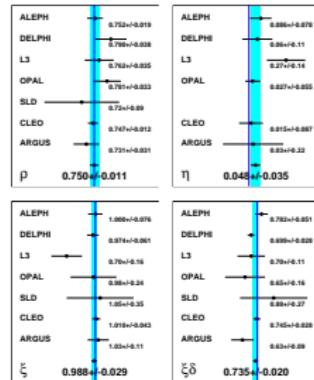
$$\frac{d\Gamma(\tau^\mp)}{d\Omega dx} = \frac{4G_F^2 M_\tau E_{\max}^4}{(2\pi)^4} \sqrt{x^2 - x_0^2} \left(x(1-x) + \frac{2}{9} \rho (4x^2 - 3x - x_0^2) + \eta x_0(1-x) \right)$$

$$\mp \frac{1}{3} P_\tau \cos \theta_\ell \xi \sqrt{x^2 - x_0^2} \left[1 - x + \frac{2}{3} \delta (4x - 4 + \sqrt{1 - x_0^2}) \right] \Bigg), \quad x = \frac{E_\ell}{E_{\max}}, \quad x_0 = \frac{m_\ell}{E_{\max}}$$

$$\text{In the SM: } \rho = \frac{3}{4}, \eta = 0, \xi = 1, \delta = \frac{3}{4}$$

Status of Michel parameters in τ decays

Michel par.	Measured value	Experiment	SM value
p (e or μ)	$0.747 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.006$ 1.2%	CLEO-97	$3/4$
η (e or μ)	$0.012 \pm 0.026 \pm 0.004$ 2.6%	ALEPH-01	0
ξ (e or μ)	$1.007 \pm 0.040 \pm 0.015$ 4.3%	CLEO-97	1
$\xi\delta$ (e or μ)	$0.745 \pm 0.026 \pm 0.009$ 2.8%	CLEO-97	$3/4$
ξ_h (all hadr.)	$0.992 \pm 0.007 \pm 0.008$ 1.1%	ALEPH-01	1



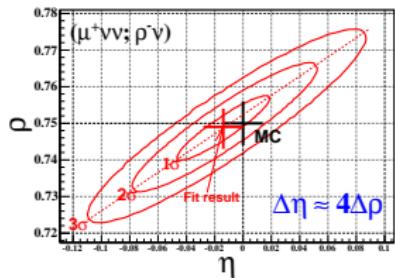
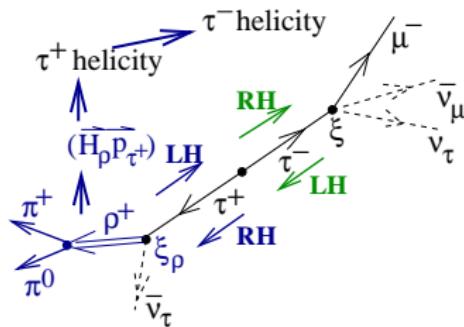
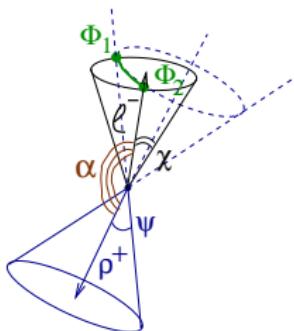
With $\times 300$ Belle statistics we can improve MP uncertainties by one order of magnitude
In BSM models the couplings to τ are expected to be enhanced in comparison with μ .

- **Type II 2HDM:** $\eta_\mu(\tau) = \frac{m_\mu M_\tau}{2} \left(\frac{\tan^2 \beta}{M_{H^\pm}^2} \right)^2 ; \frac{\eta_\mu(\tau)}{\eta_e(\mu)} = \frac{M_\tau}{m_e} \approx 3500$
- **Tensor interaction:** $\mathcal{L} = \frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} W^\mu \left\{ \bar{\nu} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma^5) \tau + \frac{\kappa_\tau^W}{2m_\tau} \partial^\nu \left(\bar{\nu} \sigma_\mu \nu u (1 - \gamma^5) \tau \right) \right\},$
 $-0.096 < \kappa_\tau^W < 0.037$: DELPHI Abreu EPJ C16 (2000) 229.
- **Unparticles:** Moyotl PRD 84 (2011) 073010, Choudhury PLB 658 (2008) 148.
- **Lorentz and CPTV:** Hollenberg PLB 701 (2011) 89
- **Heavy Majorana neutrino:** M. Doi *et al.*, Prog. Theor. Phys. 118 (2007) 1069.

Method, study of $(\ell\nu\nu; \rho\nu)$ and $(\rho\nu; \rho\nu)$ events

Effect of τ spin-spin correlation is used to measure ξ and δ MP.

Events of the $(\tau^\mp \rightarrow \ell^\mp \nu\nu; \tau^\pm \rightarrow \rho^\pm \nu)$ topology are used to measure: $\rho, \eta, \xi_\rho \xi$ and $\xi_\rho \xi \delta$, while $(\tau^\mp \rightarrow \rho^\mp \nu; \tau^\pm \rightarrow \rho^\pm \nu)$ events are used to extract ξ_ρ^2 .



$$\frac{d\sigma(\ell^\mp \nu\nu, \rho^\pm \nu)}{dE_\ell^* d\Omega_\ell^* d\Omega_\rho^* dm_{\pi\pi}^2 d\tilde{\Omega}_\pi d\Omega_\tau} = A_0 + \rho A_1 + \eta A_2 + \xi_\rho \xi A_3 + \xi_\rho \xi \delta A_4 = \sum_{i=0}^4 A_i \Theta_i$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\vec{z}) = \frac{d\sigma(\ell^\mp \nu\nu, \rho^\pm \nu)}{dp_\ell d\Omega_\ell dp_\rho d\Omega_\rho dm_{\pi\pi}^2 d\tilde{\Omega}_\pi} = \int_{\Phi_1}^{\Phi_2} \frac{d\sigma(\ell^\mp \nu\nu, \rho^\pm \nu)}{dE_\ell^* d\Omega_\ell^* d\Omega_\rho^* dm_{\pi\pi}^2 d\tilde{\Omega}_\pi d\Omega_\tau} \left| \frac{\partial(E_\ell^*, \Omega_\ell^*, \Omega_\rho^*, \Omega_\tau)}{\partial(p_\ell, \Omega_\ell, p_\rho, \Omega_\rho, \Phi_\tau)} \right| d\Phi_\tau$$

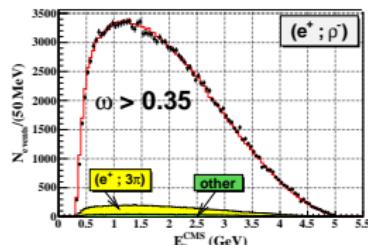
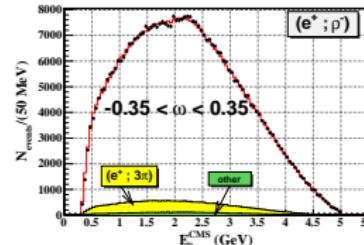
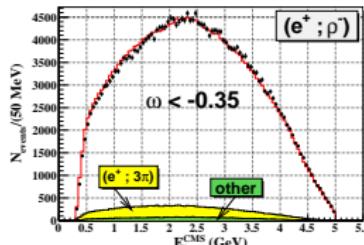
$$L = \prod_{k=1}^N \mathcal{P}^{(k)}, \quad \mathcal{P}^{(k)} = \mathcal{F}(\vec{z}^{(k)}) / \mathcal{N}(\vec{\Theta}), \quad \mathcal{N}(\vec{\Theta}) = \int \mathcal{F}(\vec{z}) d\vec{z}, \quad \vec{\Theta} = (1, \rho, \eta, \xi_\rho \xi_\ell, \xi_\rho \xi_\ell \delta_\ell)$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{total}} = (1 - \sum_{i=1}^4 \lambda_i) \mathcal{P}_{\text{signal}}^{\ell-\rho} + \lambda_1 \mathcal{P}_{\text{bg}}^{\ell-3\pi} + \lambda_2 \mathcal{P}_{\text{bg}}^{\pi-\rho} + \lambda_3 \mathcal{P}_{\text{bg}}^{\rho-\rho} + \lambda_4 \mathcal{P}_{\text{bg}}^{\text{other}} (\text{MC})$$

MP are extracted in the unbinned maximum likelihood fit of $(\ell\nu\nu; \rho\nu)$ events in the 9D phase space $\vec{z} = (p_\ell, \cos\theta_\ell, \phi_\ell, p_\rho, \cos\theta_\rho, \phi_\rho, m_{\pi\pi}^2, \cos\tilde{\theta}_\pi, \tilde{\phi}_\pi)$ in CMS.

Data fits and systematic uncertainties

$$\text{Helicity sensitive variable } \omega = \frac{1}{\Phi_2 - \Phi_1} \int_{\Phi_1}^{\Phi_2} (\vec{H}_{\rho^\pm}, \vec{n}_{\tau^\pm}) d\Phi = <(\vec{H}_{\rho^\pm}, \vec{n}_{\tau^\pm})>_{\Phi_\tau}$$



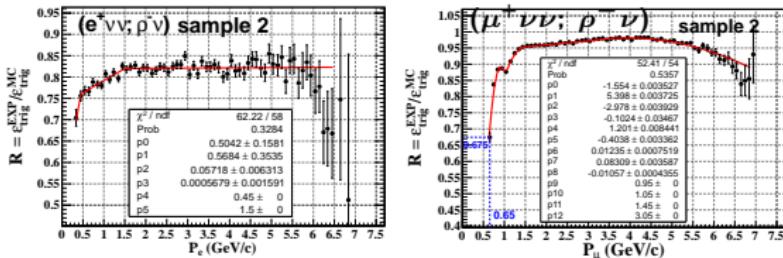
Spin-spin correlation manifests itself through momentum-momentum correlations of final lepton and pions.

Source	$\Delta(\rho)$, %	$\Delta(\eta)$, %	$\Delta(\xi_\rho \xi)$, %	$\Delta(\xi_\rho \xi \delta)$, %
Physical corrections				
ISR+ $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$	0.10	0.30	0.20	0.15
$\tau \rightarrow \ell \nu \nu \gamma$	0.03	0.10	0.09	0.08
$\tau \rightarrow \rho \nu \gamma$	0.06	0.16	0.11	0.02
Background	0.20	0.60	0.20	0.20
Apparatus corrections				
Resolution \oplus brems.	0.10	0.33	0.11	0.19
$\sigma(E_{\text{beam}})$	0.07	0.25	0.03	0.15
Normalization				
$\Delta \mathcal{N}$	0.11	0.50	0.17	0.13
without Data/MC corr.	0.29	0.95	0.38	0.38
trigger eff. corr.	~ 1	~ 2	~ 3	~ 3

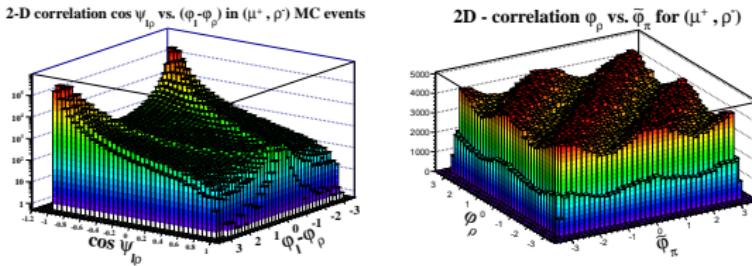
We are working on the Data/MC efficiency corrections (trigger, ℓ ID, track rec., π^0 rec.).

Data/MC efficiency corrections

We found that the **Data/MC trigger efficiency correction**, \mathcal{R}_{trg} , is the dominant one. Two independent subtriggers (energy trigger and track trigger) are used to evaluate it.



\mathcal{R}_{trg} varies in 9D phase space, a set of 2D-maps is used to approximate it.



The track reconstruction efficiencies are different for the energy and track triggers, the combined procedure is under development.

Summary

- The procedure to measure 4 Michel parameters (MP) (ρ , η , ξ , $\xi\delta$) in leptonic τ decays at B factory has been developed and tested. It is based on the analysis of the $(\ell^\mp\nu\nu; \rho^\pm\nu)$, $\ell = e, \mu$ events and utilizes spin-spin correlation of tau leptons.
- We confirmed that with the whole Belle data sample the statistical accuracy of MP is by one order of magnitude better than in the previous best measurements (CLEO, ALEPH).
- The main background components $((\ell\nu\nu; \pi 2\pi^0\nu), (\pi\nu; \rho\nu), (\rho\nu; \rho\nu))$ are described analytically in the fitter, the remaining background (with the fraction of about 2.0%) is described with help of the MC-based method. We reached acceptable description of the backgrounds in the PDF.
- Various Data/MC efficiency corrections provide the dominant contribution to the systematic uncertainties of MP. **The largest contribution comes from the trigger efficiency correction (1–3)%.** We are working to improve this uncertainty.