Search for LFV and LNV decays at LHCb

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Introduction Detector

Performance

Lepton Number Violation

$$\begin{array}{l} \mathrm{B}^{-} \rightarrow h^{+} \ell^{-} \ell^{-} \\ \mathrm{B}^{-} \rightarrow \mathrm{D}^{0} \pi^{+} \mu^{-} \mu^{-} \end{array}$$

Lepton Flavour Violation

$$\tau^- \to \mu^- \mu^- \mu^+ \\ \tau^- \to \overline{p} \mu^- \mu^+$$



LHCb detector



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Introduction

Luminosity



Exelent detector performance.

- CM energy incresed to $8 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \sim 15\%$ more $b\overline{b}$ events.
- Aiming to reach 3*fb*⁻¹ in 2012.

LNV in bottom decays

${ m B}^- ightarrow {\it h}^+ \ell^- \ell^-$

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LNV in bottom decays





- resonant production in accessible mass range
- rates depend on Majorana neutrino–lepton coupling |V_{μ4}| (e.g. arXiv:0901.3589)
- $m_4 = m_{\ell^-,\pi^+}$

special for B decays

diagram without mass restriction Cabbibo favoured for $B \rightarrow D$

 B^+

ΡV

Search for Majorana neutrinos at LHCb

Lepton Number Violation

- LHCb: search for
 - $B^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$
 - $B^- \rightarrow D^+ \mu^- \mu^-$
 - $B^- \rightarrow D_s^+ \mu^- \mu^-$
 - $B^- \rightarrow D^{*+} \mu^- \mu^-$
- consider topology in reconstruction
 - allow for flight distance for on-shell neutrinos
 - common vertex for virtual neutrinos





virtual Majorana neutrinos





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on-shell Majorana neutrinos

mis-identification rates from data with mass shape from simulation



assuming B^- phase space decay: $\mathcal{B}(B^- \to \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-) < 1.3 \times 10^{-8}$ @ 95 % CL

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \to D_s \mu^- \mu^-) < 5.8 \times 10^{-7}$$
@ 95% CL
0.41 fb⁻¹
arXiv:1201.5600

implications on Majorana mass

mass extraction

Determine limit as function of $h^+\mu^-$ mass





${ m B}^- ightarrow { m D}^0 \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$



- Four body B decay complementary to three body decay (arXiv:1108.6009)
- $m_4 = m(\pi^+ \mu^-)$
- + enhanced by W couplings
- smaller mass range accessible (260 MeV $< m_4 < 3.3$ GeV)
- first performed at LHCb



 ${\cal B}({
m B}^- o {
m D}^0 \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-) < 1.5 imes 10^{-6}$ @95 % CL ^a Less restrictive than ${
m B}^- o \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$ on $|V_{\mu4}|^2$

^aLHCb, CERN-PH-EP-2012-006, arXiv:1201.5600

Lepton Flavour Violation

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Lepton Flavour Violation

LFV in au^- sector

$$\tau^-
ightarrow \mu^- \mu^- \mu^+$$

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Lepton Flavour Violation

LFV in τ^- sector

1 In SM small
$$\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \to \mu^- \mu^- \mu^+) \sim 10^{-50}$$

2 NP can enhance \mathcal{B} .
3 Nature still hides $\tau^- \to \mu^- \mu^- \mu^+$ from us.

(4) Current limits:

Experiment	90% CL limit
BaBar	$3.3 imes10^{-8}$
Belle	$2.1 imes 10^{-8}$

(5) Can a hadron collider change the picture?

Analysis aproach

\mathcal{B} factories

1) Clean signal:
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$$

2) Claculate the trust axis

3 Semi tag the other tag

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Strategy

- Loose cut based selection
- Classification in 3D space:
 - invariant mass
 - decay topology (multivariate)
 - particle identification (multivariate)
- Classifier trained on simulation
- Calibration with control channel
- Normalisation with D_s
- CLs method to extract the result

signal likelihoods

particle identification

- hits in muon chambers
- energy in calorimeters
 - compatible with MIP
- RICH response

Calibration

3 body decay likelihood

- vertex properties
 - vertex fit, pointing
- track quality
- isolation

Calibration

$$\rm D_s \rightarrow \phi \pi$$

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Normalisation channel ${f D_s}^+ o \phi(\mu^+\mu^-)\pi^+$

Produced τ leptons

$$\mathcal{B}(\tau \to \mu \mu \mu) = \frac{\sigma(\rho p \to D_{s} \to \tau)}{\sigma(\rho p \to \tau)} \frac{\mathcal{B}(D_{s} \to \phi(\mu \mu)\pi)}{\mathcal{B}(D_{s} \to \tau \nu_{\tau})} \frac{\varepsilon_{norm}}{\varepsilon_{sig}} \frac{N_{\tau \to \mu \mu \mu}}{N_{D_{s} \to \phi(\mu \mu)\pi}}$$

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Invariant mass

- background estimation in sidebands
- different signal likelihood inside signal region

 mass resolution and mass scale calibrated on data

Signal likelihoods

combined signal distribution

- events distributed over 25 likelihood bins
- background estimate from mass sidebands

- 11 % signal efficiency
- 21 % signal efficiency
- for illustration: high likelihood range shown

Observed events

Extracted limit

	observed	expected
$\mathcal{B}(au o \mu \mu \mu)$ <	$6.3 imes 10^{-8}$	$8.2 imes 10^{-8}$
	$7.8 imes 10^{-8}$	$9.9 imes 10^{-8}$

1 fb⁻¹ LHCb-CONF-2012-015

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LFV in au^- sector

$\tau^- \to \overline{p} \mu^- \mu^+$

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Lepton Flavour Violation

(1) Search for baryon number violation processes so far unsuccessful, but must have occurred in the early universe

(2) Decay fall into |B - L| = 0 category, which is predicted by many NP models.

(3) Similar decays $\tau^- \rightarrow \tilde{\ell}$, previous studied in \mathcal{B} factories.

(4) Two possible decay and new physics modes: $\tau^- \rightarrow \overline{p}\mu^-\mu^+$, $\tau^- \rightarrow p\mu^-\mu^+$.

(5) Analysis adopted from $\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^- \mu^+$

Differences

- Use the same $\mathcal{M}_{3\textit{body}}$ BDT as for $\tau^- \to \mu^- \mu^- \mu^+$
- Insead of PID BDT use hard PID cut optimised on MC and Data.
- Worse normalization factor, due to hard PID cuts.
- Only combinatorical background expected.

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Limits on $au^- o ar{p} \mu^- \mu^+$ and $au^- o ar{p} \mu^- \mu^-$

First time measured!!

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Summary

1) LNV, LFV and BNV still hides before us.

2) First measurements on τ physics on hadron coliders.

- (3) LHCb caughting up \mathcal{B} factories.
- (4) $\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow p\mu\mu)$ first time measured.

Thank you for your attention.