Search for Lepton Flavor Violation in the Higgs Boson Decay at a Linear Collider

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Motivation 1: MSSM with large m_{SUSY}

- In SUSY model, LFV is expected to be found.
 but it has not been found yet.
- Is it because of heavy m_{SUSY} ?

• Br
$$(\ell_j \to \ell_i \gamma)$$
, Br $(\ell_j \xrightarrow{\gamma} 3\ell_i) \propto (1/m_{\text{SUSY}}^4)$.

- In such a case, what is the signature of the new physics?
- Higgs mediated LFV Babu Kolda, Ellis Dedes Raidal, Kitano Koike Komine Okada $Br(\ell_i \xrightarrow{h,H,A} 3\ell_i) \propto (1/m_A^4)(\tan^6 \beta)$



 $\kappa_{ji} = f(|\mu|/m_{\rm SUSY}).$

Motivation 2: Higgs sector in MSSM

• The Linear Collider (LC) will make the precision study of h.

We here deal with search for LF violating decay process

This process suggests that

two (or more) Higgs doublet couple to the charged lepton sector



Direct search for the LF violating Higgs coupling and the indirect measurement of it should be complementary to each other.

Model: the effective theory below m_{SUSY} in the model with large m_{SUSY}



The LFV Higgs decay arise since two Yukawa matrices $(Y_{\ell_i}\delta_{ij} \text{ and } Y_{\ell_i}\epsilon_{ij})$ can not be diagonalized simultaneously.



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- The bound on $|\kappa_{32}|^2$ from $\tau \to \mu \eta$ (Belle)

$$\operatorname{Br}(\tau \xrightarrow{h,H,A} \mu \eta) \simeq 8.4 \times \frac{G_{\mathrm{F}}^2 m_{\mu}^2 m_{\tau}^7 \tau_{\tau}}{768 \pi^3 m_A^4} |\kappa_{32}|^2 \tan^6 \beta < 3.4 \times 10^{-7}, \\ |\kappa_{32}|^2 < 0.3 \times 10^{-6} \times \left(\frac{m_A}{150[\operatorname{GeV}]}\right)^4 \times \left(\frac{60}{\tan\beta}\right)^6.$$

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 $-m_{SUSY} = m_{\tilde{l}}, m_{\tilde{\nu}}, M_{1,2} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ TeV.

- However, κ_{32} is not so small, Brignole Rossi $-R \equiv \mu/m_{\text{SUSY}} \sim \mathcal{O}(10) \rightarrow \mu \sim \mathcal{O}(10)$ TeV.
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$$m_{\tilde{l}_{Li}} = m_{\tilde{\nu}_i} = 1.2 \text{ TeV}, m_{\tilde{l}_{Ri}} = 0.8 \text{ TeV},$$

 $M_1 = 1 \text{ TeV}, M_2 = 0.8 \text{ TeV}, \mu = 10 \text{ TeV},$
 $m_Q = 5 \text{ TeV}, m_U = m_D = A_t = A_b = 3 \text{ TeV},$
 $\tan \beta = 60.$

This parameter choice yields $||\kappa_{32}|^2 = 3.8 \times 10^{-6}, m_h = 123 \text{ GeV}$

Branching ratio



We focus on $h \to \tau^{\pm} + \mu^{\mp}$ process search at a LC.



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- Why linear collider?
 - Clear signal, Precision measurement

It is important to reduce the backgrounds.

The Higgs-strahlung is preferable in the Higgs production processes to determine m_h and \sqrt{s} with high precision.

Higgs production process





In low \sqrt{s} region, the Higgs-strahlung is dominant.

In 2HDM,
$$\sigma = \sigma_{SM} \times \sin^2(\alpha - \beta)$$
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 We assume L = 1,000 fbarn⁻¹, optimally tuned √s.
 The number of event for BR = 7 × 10⁻⁴ is estimated as
 N_{signal} = L × σ_{Zh} × Br(h → τ + μ) × ε ~ 10 events,
 ε ≡ Br(Z → ee, μμ) ≃ 0.07.

Feasibility Study

Backgrounds

We introduce the invariant mass cut to reduce the backgrounds which do not include the lightest Higgs boson.

$$e^+ + e^- \rightarrow Z\tau\tau \rightarrow Z\tau\mu + \nu_\mu\nu_\tau$$

 $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow ZWW \rightarrow Z\tau\mu + \nu_\mu\nu_\tau$



• The number of backgrounds with $M_{\tau\mu} \neq m_h$ is huge but it is not serious.

Backgrounds — Fake signal —

The most serious background is induced by the tau-pair production throught the Higgs decay.



 $N_{\text{before cut}} = L\sigma_{Zh} \times \text{Br}(h \to \tau\tau) \times \text{Br}(\tau \to \mu\nu\bar{\nu}) \times \epsilon$ [et ~270 events!!

• We can reduce it by using the kinematic cuts.

• However, there are the irreducible back-grounds — *Fake signal*.

Fake signal condition: $p_{\mu^+} \simeq p_{\tau^+}$





- The muon from tau tends to be emitted to the same direction of the parent tau.
- The energy of muon tends to distribute around the parent tau's.





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• When we assume $|\kappa_{32}|^2 = 8.4 \times 10^{-6}$, $m_A \gtrsim 350$ GeV, $\tan \beta = 60$, and $\delta(E_h) = 0.1$ GeV,

$$\frac{N_{\rm signal}}{\sqrt{N_{\rm fake}}} \gtrsim 10.$$

By adding the $Z \rightarrow jj$ channel, we can expect much larger significance.

 S/\sqrt{B}



• Case 1: $\mu = 25$ TeV, $m_S \sim 2$ TeV $\rightarrow |\kappa_{32}|^2 = 8.4 \times 10^{-6}$, • Case 2: $\mu = 10$ TeV, $m_S \sim 1$ TeV $\rightarrow |\kappa_{32}|^2 = 3.8 \times 10^{-6}$.

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