

$H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ at Muon Collider

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Motivation

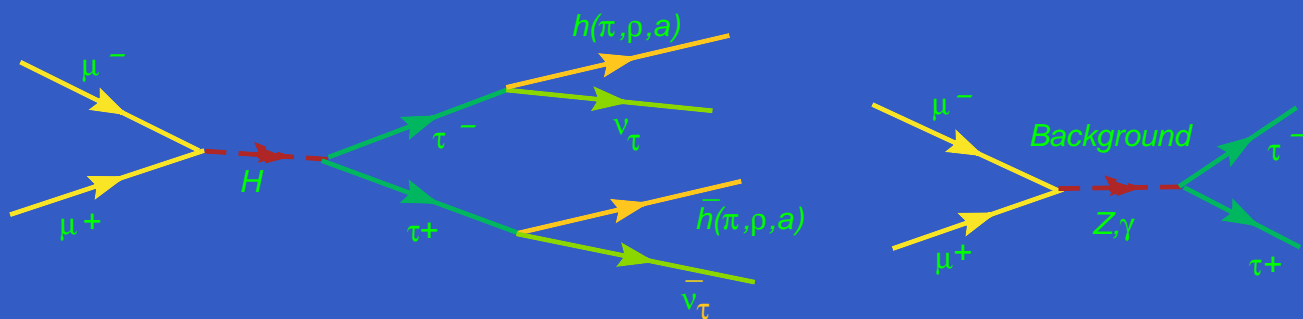
- SM Higgs can have **Non-Standard Couplings**.
- Many extensions of SM have **extra Higgs** e.g. SUSY, 2HDM, there are **3** neutral Higgs h , H , A (pseudo-scalar).
- There is interest in Higgs models where certain Higgs only couple to leptons (**Leptonic Higgs** H.S. Goh., L. J. Hall & P. Kumar arXiv:0902.0814[hep-ph]).

Motivation cont...

- Most general couplings of Higgs to $\tau \tau$ pair need to be measured.
- Measurements of these couplings will indicate the nature of the Higgs.
- Muon Collider will be Higgs factory
 \Rightarrow these couplings can be measured precisely.

$$H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$$

- We study $\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow H \rightarrow \tau^+ (\pi^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau) \tau^- (\pi^- \nu_\tau)$ process.



- SM background: $\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow Z, \gamma \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$.
- Angular distributions (AD) can distinguish Higgs decays and backgrounds(

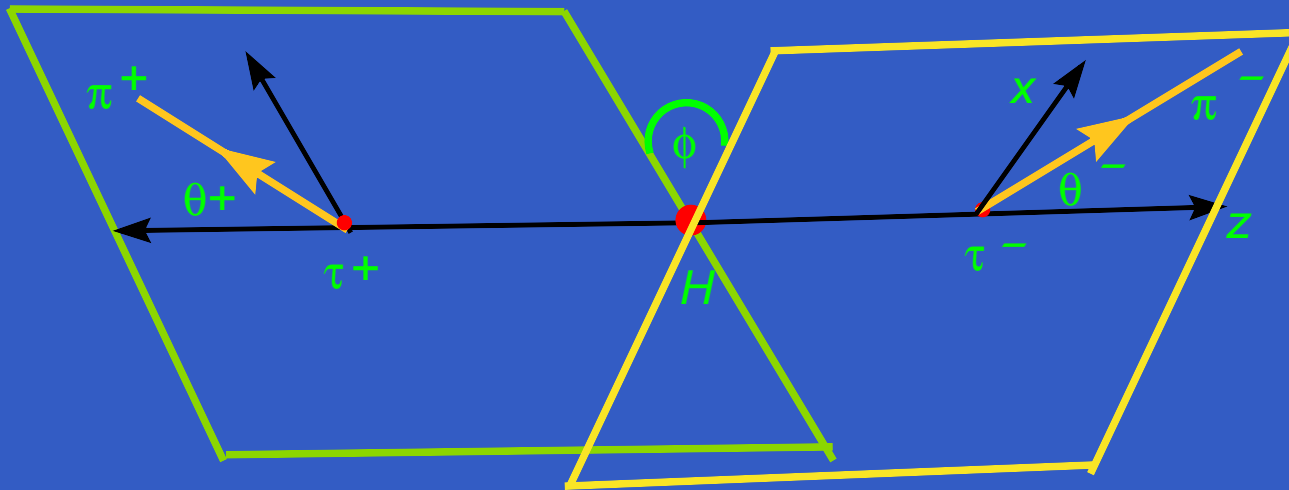
Non-standard couplings

- Non-standard Higgs couplings to τ lepton

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\tau}(a + b\gamma_5)\tau.$$

- Various cases
 - SM (scalar Higgs): $a = m_\tau/v$ ($v =$ VEV), $b=0$.
 - Pseudo-scalar (A) Higgs: $a = 0$, $b \neq 0$.
 - General case: $a \neq 0$, $b \neq 0$ and complex
 \Rightarrow possible CPV

Full ADs



- Let z-axes lie along \vec{p}_{τ^\pm} in Higgs rest frame.
- Polar angles in tau rest frame: π^\pm - θ_{τ^\pm} .
- Azimuthal angles: π^\pm - ϕ_{τ^\pm} s.t

$$\phi = \phi_{\tau^-} + \phi_{\tau^+}.$$

Full ADs

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma(H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)}{d \cos \theta_{\tau_-} d \cos \theta_{\tau_+} d\phi} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(1 - \cos \theta_{\tau_-} \cos \theta_{\tau_+} \right. \\ \left. - \beta_\tau \frac{2 \operatorname{Re}[a_\tau b_\tau^*]}{(\beta_\tau^2 |a_\tau|^2 + |b_\tau|^2)} (\cos \theta_{\tau_-} - \cos \theta_{\tau_+}) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{(-\beta_\tau^2 |a_\tau|^2 + |b_\tau|^2)}{(\beta_\tau^2 |a_\tau|^2 + |b_\tau|^2)} \sin \theta_{\tau_-} \sin \theta_{\tau_+} \cos \phi \right. \\ \left. + \beta_\tau \frac{2 \operatorname{Im}[a_\tau b_\tau^*]}{(\beta_\tau^2 |a_\tau|^2 + |b_\tau|^2)} \sin \theta_{\tau_-} \sin \theta_{\tau_+} \sin \phi \right),$$

where $\beta_\tau = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\tau^2}{m_H^2}}$.

Full ADs

- For scalar Higgs $b_\tau = 0$

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma(H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)}{d \cos \theta_{\tau_-} d \cos \theta_{\tau_+} d\phi} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(1 - \cos \theta_{\tau_-} \cos \theta_{\tau_+} - \sin \theta_{\tau_-} \sin \theta_{\tau_+} \cos \phi \right).$$

- For pseudo-scalar Higgs $a_\tau = 0$

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma(A \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)}{d \cos \theta_{\tau_-} d \cos \theta_{\tau_+} d\phi} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(1 - \cos \theta_{\tau_-} \cos \theta_{\tau_+} + \sin \theta_{\tau_-} \sin \theta_{\tau_+} \cos \phi \right).$$

Full ADs

- Relative phase between couplings a_τ and b_τ can be probed through coefficients $Re[a_\tau^* b_\tau]$ and $Im[a_\tau^* b_\tau]$

$$Re[a_\tau^* b_\tau] = |a_\tau|^2 r_\tau \cos \delta_\tau,$$

$$Im[a_\tau^* b_\tau] = -|a_\tau|^2 r_\tau \sin \delta_\tau,$$

where $r_\tau e^{i\delta_\tau} = b_\tau/a_\tau$.

- $Re[a_\tau^* b_\tau]$ related to forward-backward asymmetry (A_{FB}) and τ polarization (P_T).

Full ADs

- $Im[a_\tau^* b_\tau]$ indicates CP violations.
- In fact, the coefficient of $Im[a_\tau^* b_\tau]$ is the Triple product term.

$$T.P = \hat{p}_{\tau^-} \cdot (\hat{n}_{\pi^-} \times \hat{n}_{\pi^+}) = \sin \theta_{\tau^-}^H \sin \theta_{\tau^+}^H \sin \phi,$$

\Rightarrow T.P $\neq 0$ indicates CPV.

- T.P is **odd** under naive time reversal.

◇ unit vectors

$$\hat{n}_{\pi^\pm} = \frac{\vec{p}_{\pi^\pm}}{|\vec{p}_{\pi^\pm}|}, \quad \hat{p}_{\tau^-} = \frac{\vec{p}_{\tau^-}}{|\vec{p}_{\tau^-}|},$$

◇ $\theta_{\tau^\pm}^H$ polar angles in Higgs rest frame.

Kinematics in Higgs rest frame

- Relation between polar angles in Higgs and tau rest frames

$$\cos \theta_{\pm}^H = \frac{(\beta^H (1 + \epsilon^2) + (1 - \epsilon^2) \cos \theta_{\tau\pm})}{((1 - \epsilon^2) + \beta^H (1 + \epsilon^2) \cos \theta_{\tau\pm})}.$$

- Polar angles in tau rest frame can be shown as

$$\cos \theta_{\tau\pm} = \frac{\frac{2E_{\pi\pm}^H}{E_{\tau}} - (1 + \epsilon^2)}{\beta_{\tau}(1 - \epsilon^2)}, \quad \epsilon = m_{\pi}/m_{\tau}$$

Kinematics in Higgs rest frame



- $\cos \phi$ can be expressed in terms of opening angle (δ^H) between π^\pm momenta

$$\cos \phi = \frac{m_h^2}{4m_\tau^2 \sin \theta_{\tau^-} \sin \theta_{\tau^+}} \left(g_-^1 g_+^1 \cos \delta^H - g_-^2 g_+^2 \right),$$

where $g_{\mp}^1 = \left((1 \pm \beta_\tau \beta_\pi \cos \theta_{\tau_{\mp}}) \right)^2 - \frac{16m_\pi^2}{m_h^2} \Big)^{1/2}$

$$g_{\mp}^2 = (\beta_\pi \cos \theta_{\tau_{\mp}} \pm \beta_\tau).$$

- Hence AD can be expressed in terms of measurable quantities at Muon collider.

A_{FB} and tau polarization

- τ^\pm polar angular distributions can be obtained as

$$W_\pm = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma(H \rightarrow \tau^\pm \tau^\mp)}{d \cos \theta_{\tau_\pm}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 \pm P_T \cos \theta_{\tau_\pm} \right)$$

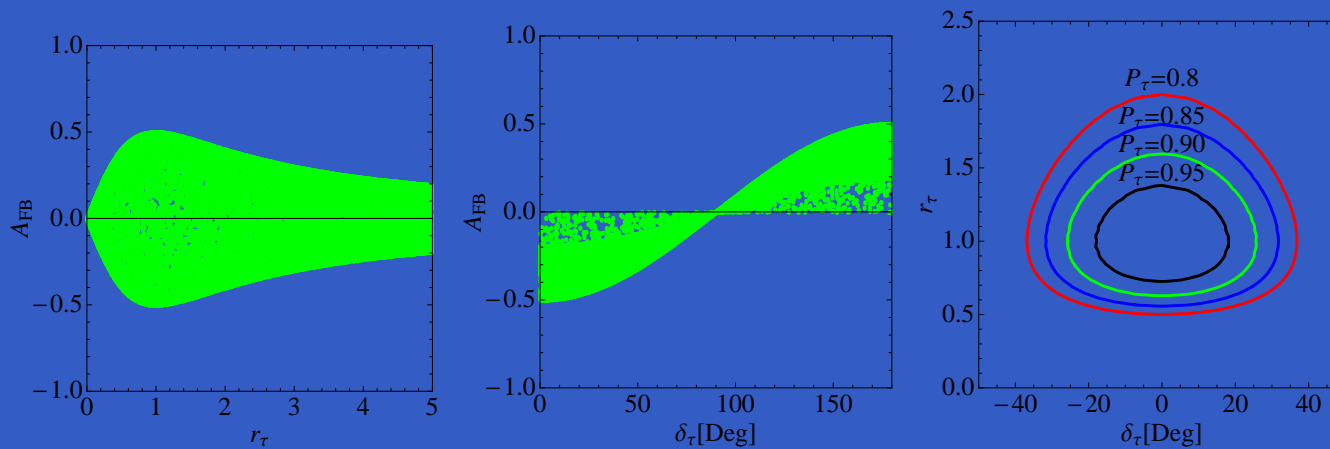
$$\Rightarrow P_T = \frac{2\beta_\tau r_\tau \cos \delta_\tau}{(\beta_\tau^2 + r_\tau^2)}$$

- The forward-backward asymmetries define

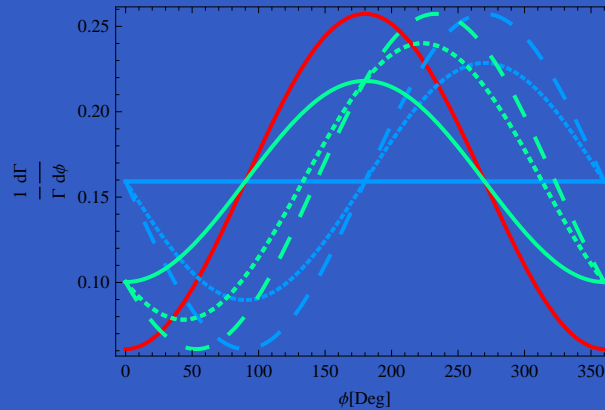
$$A_{FB\pm} = \frac{\int_0^1 d \cos \theta_{\tau_\pm} W_\pm - \int_{-1}^0 d \cos \theta_{\tau_\pm} W_\pm}{\int_0^1 d \cos \theta_{\tau_\pm} W_\pm + \int_{-1}^0 d \cos \theta_{\tau_\pm} W_\pm} = \pm \frac{1}{2} P_T$$

Preliminary results

- A_{FB} and tau polarization measurements can constrain (r_τ, δ_τ)



Preliminary results



$r_\tau = 0, \delta_\tau = 0$, $r_\tau = 0.5, \delta_\tau = 0, \pi/4, \pi/2$, $r_\tau = 1, \delta_\tau = 0, \pi/4, \pi/2$

- Azimuthal angular distribution can be obtained as

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma(H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)}{d\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(1 - \frac{\pi^2}{16} (c_1 \cos \phi + c_2 \sin \phi) \right),$$

$$c_1 = \frac{1-r_\tau^2}{1+r_\tau^2}, \quad c_2 = -\frac{2r_\tau \sin \delta_\tau}{1+r_\tau^2}.$$

- This distribution is sensitive to phase δ_τ .

$H \rightarrow \tau^- \tau^+$ at LHC

- Problems at LHC are difficult to reconstruct
 - τ rest frame in $\tau \rightarrow \pi \nu_\tau$ decays.
 - Higgs rest frame ($pp \rightarrow HX$).
- Muon Collider is preferable for our analysis.

Conclusion

- $H \rightarrow \tau^- \tau^+$ can be used to study the most general couplings of Higgs to tau lepton.
- Measurements of these couplings can reveal the true nature of the Higgs.
- Future plan: general realistic study (with experimentalists) to see how well we can measure these couplings at Muon Collider.



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