Introduction to Physics of Muon to Electron Conversion and PRISM/COMET Experiments

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Outline

- Intensity Frontier and Charged Lepton Flavor Violation (cLFV)
- cLFV Physics Motivation with Muons
- Overview of cLFV Experiments with Muons
 - μ→eγ
 - µ-e conversion
- Experimental searches for µ-e conversion
- cLFV of taus with neutrinos (if a time allows)
- Summary

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The Standard Model continues working well, but cannot answer these fundamental questions.



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Search for new physics at higher energy scale!





Tools : The Three Frontiers of Particle Physics



rare processes and study the particle properties to probe physics beyond the SM.

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Energy Frontier

use high-energy colliders to discover new particles and directly probe the properties of nature

Cosmic Frontier

reveal the natures of dark matter and dark energy and probe the architecture of the universe.

from C. Baltay's talk at the P5 meeting, 29 May 2008

Precision Measurements in The European Strategy

"Flavour physics and precision measurements at the highluminosity frontier at lower energies complement our understanding of particle physics and allow for a more accurate interpretation of the results at the high-energy frontier." (2006)



The European strategy



The Intensity Frontier

The Intensity Frontier is

- an indirect search, but
- energy scale that could be studied would be much higher than that of accelerators of O(1 TeV).
- Through quantum radiative corrections
 - renormalization group equations

usefulness of renormalization equations







- Effects are small.
 - High precision measurements
 - High intensity beams

Which Rare Processes at Low Energy ?

- Processes which are forbidden or highly suppressed in the Standard Model would be the best ones to search for new physics beyond the Standard Model.
- Flavor Changing Neutral Current Process (FCNC)
- FCNC in the quark sector
 - b→sγ, K→πνν, etc.
 - Allowed in the Standard Model.
 - Need to study deviations from the SM predictions.
 - Uncertainty of more than a few % (from QCD) exists.
- FCNC in the lepton sector
 - $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$, $\mu + N \rightarrow e + N$, etc. (Lepton Flavor Violation = LFV)
 - Not allowed in the Standard Model (~10⁻⁵⁰ with neutrino mixing)
 - Need to study deviations from none
 - clear signature and high sensitivity

Why Muons, not Taus ?

- Taus at B factories is not large enough, like about 10 taus/sec.
 - At future super-B factories, intensity increase of O(10-100) is expected. Also some of the decay modes are already background-limited.
- Muons at PSI is about 10⁸ /sec.
 - Intensity increase of 10¹¹-10¹⁴ /sec with the technology developed for the front end R&D of muon colliders and/or neutrino factories, where intensity improvement factor of up to about O(1,000,000).

A larger window for new physics !





Physics Motivation of cLFV



Lepton Flavor Violation of Charged Leptons (cLFV)



LFV of charged leptons is not observed.

Standard Model Contribution from Neutrino Mixing (GIM mechanism)



A Large Window for New Physics beyond the Standard Model

Various Models Predict Charged Lepton Mixing.



LFV in SUSY Models



Features

- The decay rate is not too small, because it is determined by the SUSY mass scale.
- But, it contains the information at 10¹⁶ GeV through the slepton mixing.
- It is in contract to proton decays or double beta decays which need many particles.



Through quantum corrections, LFV could access ultra-heavy particles such as v_R (~10¹²-10¹⁴ GeV/c²) and GUT that cannot be produced directly by any accelerators.

SUSY GUT and SUSY Seesaw



SUSY Predictions for cLFV



Complementarity to LHC (mSUGRA)

- In mSUGRA, some of the parameter regions, where LHC does not have sensitivity to SUSY, can be explored by cLFV.
- Bench mark points
 - Focus point
 - LHC can not cover and cLFV can cover.

cLFV is complementary to LHC, and in some case has much better sensitivity than LHC.



Short Summary of Physics Motivation : cLFV, Energy Frontier and SUSY

- In SUSY models, cLFV is sensitive to slepton mixing.
- LHC would have potentials to see SUSY particles. However, at LHC nor even ILC, slepton mixing would be difficult to study in such a high precision as proposed here.



- Slepton mixing is sensitive to either (or both) Grand Unified Theories (SUSY-GUT models) or neutrino seesaw mechanism (SUSY-Seesaw models).
- If cLFV sensitivity is extremely high, it might be able to explore multi-TeV SUSY which LHC cannot reach, in particular SUSY parameters.

cLFV Experiments



cLFV History

First cLFV search



Pontecorvo in 1947



Present Limits and Expectations in Future

process	present limit	future	
$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$	<1.2 x 10 ⁻¹¹	<10 ⁻¹³	MEG at PSI
$\mu \rightarrow eee$	<1.0 x 10 ⁻¹²	<10 ⁻¹³ - 10 ⁻¹⁴	?
$\mu N \rightarrow eN$ (in Al)	none	<10 ⁻¹⁶	Mu2e / COMET
$\mu N \rightarrow eN$ (in Ti)	<4.3 x 10 ⁻¹²	<10 ⁻¹⁸	PRISM
$\tau \rightarrow e\gamma$	<1.1 x 10 ⁻⁷	<10 ⁻⁹ - 10 ⁻¹⁰	super B factory
τ→eee	<3.6 x 10 ⁻⁸	<10 ⁻⁹ - 10 ⁻¹⁰	super B factory
$\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$	<4.5 x 10 ⁻⁸	<10 ⁻⁹ - 10 ⁻¹⁰	super B factory
$\tau \rightarrow \mu \mu \mu$	<3.2 x 10 ⁻⁸	<10 ⁻⁹ - 10 ⁻¹⁰	super B factory

List of cLFV Processes with Muons

$$\Delta L=1$$

$$\bullet \mu^+ \to e^+ \gamma$$

$$\bullet \mu^+ \to e^+ e^+ e^-$$

$$\bullet \mu^- + N(A, Z) \to e^- + N(A, Z)$$

$$\bullet \mu^- + N(A, Z) \to e^+ + N(A, Z-2)$$

$$\Delta L=2$$

• $\mu^+e^- \to \mu^-e^+$
• $\mu^- + N(A, Z) \to \mu^+ + N(A, Z-2)$
• $\nu_\mu + N(A, Z) \to \mu^+ + N(A, Z-1)$
• $\nu_\mu + N(A, Z) \to \mu^+\mu^+\mu^- + N(A, Z-1)$



What is a Muon to Electron Conversion?

1s state in a muonic atom



nuclear muon capture

$$\mu^- + (A, Z) \longrightarrow \nu_\mu + (A, Z - 1)$$

Neutrino-less muon nuclear capture (=µ-e conversion)

$$\mu^- + (A, Z) \rightarrow e^- + (A, Z)$$

lepton flavors changes by one unit,

$$B(\mu^{-}N \rightarrow e^{-}N) = \frac{\Gamma(\mu^{-}N \rightarrow e^{-}N)}{\Gamma(\mu^{-}N \rightarrow vN')}$$

µ-e Conversion Signal and Backgrounds

$$\mu^- + (A, Z) \rightarrow e^- + (A, Z)$$

Signal

 single mono-energetic electron

 $m_{\mu} - B_{\mu} \sim 105 MeV$

- The transition to the ground state is a coherent process, and enhanced by a number of neuclus.
 - $\propto Z^5$

• The ratio of excited states versus the ground state is about 1:9 for Ti.

Backgrounds

Category	Examples of backgrounds	
Intrinsic Physics Backgrounds	muon decay in orbit (DIO)	
	particle emissions from nuclear muon capture	
	radiative muon capture (RMC)	
Beam-related backgrounds	radiative pion capture (RPC)	
	muon decay in flight	
	neutrons, kaons, and anti-protons	
Other Backgrounds	cosmic rays	
	miss-tracking events	

Muon Decay In Orbit (DIO) in a Muonic Atom

- Normal muon decay has an endpoint of 52.8 MeV, whereas the end point of muon decay in orbit comes to the signal region.
- good resolution of electron energy (momentum) is needed.

 $\propto (\Delta E)^5$



µ-e Conversion : Target dependence (discriminating effective interaction)



R. Kitano, M. Koike and Y. Okada, Phys. Rev. D66, 096002 (2002)

Physics Sensitivity Comparison between $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ and $\mu - e$ Conversion

Photonic (dipole) and non-photonic contributions

	photonic (dipole)	non- photonic
μ→eγ	yes (on-shell)	no
µ-e conversion	yes (off-shell)	yes

more sensitive to new physics



SUSY Higgs Mediated Contribution (large tan β)



Experimental Comparison between $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ and μ -e Conversion

	background	challenge	beam intensity
• μ→eγ	accidentals	detector resolution	limited
• µ-e conversion	beam	beam background	no limitation

- µ→eγ: Accidental background is given by (rate)². The detector resolutions have to be improved, but they (in particular, photon) would be hard to go beyond MEG from present technology. The ultimate sensitivity would be about 10⁻¹⁴ (with about 10⁸/sec) unless the detector resolution is radically improved.
- µ-e conversion : Improvement of a muon beam can be possible, both in purity (no pions) and in intensity (thanks to muon collider R&D). A higher beam intensity can be taken because of no accidentals.

µ-e conversion might be a next step.

For Further References

Muon decay and physics beyond the standard model

Yoshitaka Kuno and Yasuhiro Okada Review of Modern Physics 73 (2001)



Experimental Design for Muon to Electron Conversion - 10⁻¹⁶


Previous Measurements

SINDRUM-II (PSI)



PSI muon beam intensity ~ 10⁷⁻⁸/sec beam from the PSI cyclotron. To eliminate beam related background from a beam, a beam veto counter was placed. But, it could not work at a high rate.

Published Results (2004)

$$B(\mu^{-} + Au \to e^{-} + Au) < 7 \times 10^{-13}$$



Improvements for Signal Sensitivity

To achieve a single sensitivity of 10⁻¹⁶, we need

10¹¹ muons/sec (with 10⁷ sec running)

whereas the current highest intensity is 10⁸/sec at PSI.

Pion Capture and Muon Transport by Superconducting Solenoid System



Improvements for Background Rejection



base on the MELC proposal at Moscow Meson Factory

Mu2E at Fermilab



- After Tevatron shutdown, use the antiproton accumulator ring and debuncher ring for beam pulsing.
- Proton beam power is 20 kW and 200 kW for pre and post Project-X.



COMET (COherent Muon to Electron Transition) in Japan





Design Difference Between Mu2e and COMET

	Mu2e	COMET
Muon Beam-line	S-shape	C-shape
Electron Spectrometer	Straight solenoid	Curved solenoid

Charged Particle Trajectory in Curved Solenoids

 A center of helical trajectory of charged particles in a curved solenoidal field is drifted by

$$D = \frac{p}{qB} \theta_{bend} \frac{1}{2} \left(\cos \theta + \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \right)$$

- D: drift distance
 B: Solenoid field
 θ_{bend}: Bending angle of the solenoid channel
 p: Momentum of the particle
 q: Charge of the particle
- θ : $atan(P_T/P_L)$
- This can be used for charge and momentum selection.

This drift can be compensated
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$$B_{comp} = \frac{p}{qr} \frac{1}{2} \left(\cos \theta + \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \right)$$

p: Momentum of the particle q: Charge of the particle r: Major radius of the solenoid θ : atan(P_T/P_L)



Muon Transport Solenoid Beam-line for COMET

- C-shape beam line :
 - better beam momentum separation
 - collimators can be placed anywhere.
- Radius of curvature is about 3 meters.
- A straight solenoid section can be inserted between the two toroids.
- Reference momentum is 35 MeV/c for 1st bend and 47 MeV/c for 2nd bend.



Muon Momentum Spectrum at the End of the Transport Beam Line



Curved Solenoid Spectrometer for COMET

- 180 degree curved
 - Bore radius : 50 cm
 - Magnetic field : 1T
 - Bending angle : 180 degrees
- reference momentum ~ 104 MeV/c
- elimination of particles less than 80 MeV/c for rate issues
- a straight solenoid where detectors are placed follows the curved spectrometer.



schematic

Event Displays for Curved Solenoid Spectrometer



Electron Detection (preliminary)

Straw-tube Trackers to measure electron momentum.
should work in vacuum and under a magnetic field.
A straw tube has 25µm thick, 5 mm diameter.
One plane has 2 views (x and y) with 2 layers per view.
Five planes are placed with 48 cm distance.

•250µm position resolution.

Under a solenoidal magnetic field of 1 Tesla.

In vacuum to reduce multiple scattering.

Straw-Tube Tracker

Trigger Calorimeter

Electron calorimeter to measure electron energy and make triggers.

•Candidate are GSO or PbWO2.

•APD readout (no PMT).

J-PARC at Tokai, Japan



Proton Beam at J-PARC (1)

- A pulsed proton beam is needed to reject beam-related prompt background.
- Time structure required for proton beams.
 - Pulse separation is ~ 1µsec or more (muon lifetime).
 - Narrow pulse width (<100 nsec)



- Pulsed beam from slow extraction.
 - fill every other rf buckets with protons and make slow extraction
 - spill length (flat top) ~ 0.7



Proton Beam at J-PARC (2)

- Proton Extinction :
 - (delayed)/(prompt)<10⁻⁹
 - Test done at BNL-AGS gave 10⁻⁷ (shown below).
 - Extra extinction are needed.



- Required Protons :
 - 4 x 10²⁰ protons of 8 GeV in total for a single event sensitivity of about 0.33 x 10⁻¹⁷.
 - For 1 x 10⁷ sec running, 4 x 10^{13} protons /sec (= 7 µA).
 - A total beam power is 56 kW, which is about 1/8 of the J-PARC full beam power of 450 kW (30 GeV x 15µA).

est of Extinction at BNL-AGS

Report from the J-PARC PAC Meeting Jan. 2008

One of the flagship experiments in the J-PARC programs.

from Minutes of the 4th PAC meeting, Draft (March.01) cont.

The PAC is impressed with the physics capabilities of the proposed COMET experiment and believes that this experiment could become one of the flagship experiments in the J-PARC program. On the other hand, this is a very difficult experiment and will demand large resources from the collaboration and the laboratory. A detailed assessment by the PAC and Laboratory of the feasibility for making such a precise measurement will need a more detailed design and simulation of the experiment. For these reasons, the PAC asks for more information to be provided over the next several meetings on the design, capability, and schedule for the experiment. This information and answers to the questions posed below should be given in an addendum to the proposal and presentations should be given at the next meeting if possible. Preliminary interactions should

Signal Sensitivity (preliminary) - 2 x 10⁷ sec

Single event sensitivity

$$B(\mu^- + Al \to e^- + Al) \sim \frac{1}{N_\mu \cdot f_{cap} \cdot A_e},$$

- N_μ is a number of stopping muons in the muon stopping target. It is 1.1x10¹⁸ muons.
- f_{cap} is a fraction of muon capture, which is 0.6 for aluminum.

total protons	4x10 ²⁰
muon transport efficiency	0.009
muon stopping efficiency	0.3
# of stopped muons	1.1x10 ¹⁸

• A_e is the detector acceptance, which is 0.04.

 $B(\mu^{-} + Al \to e^{-} + Al) = 3.3 \times 10^{-17}$ $B(\mu^{-} + Al \to e^{-} + Al) < 7 \times 10^{-17} \quad (90\% C.L.)$

Background Rejection Summary (preliminary)

Backgrounds	Events	Comments
Muon decay in orbit Radiative muon capture Muon capture with neutron emission	0.05 <0.001 <0.001	230 keV resolution
Involution capture with charged particle emission	<0.001	
Radiative pion capture* Radiative pion capture Muon decay in flight* Pion decay in flight* Beam electrons* Neutron induced* Antiproton induced	0.12 0.002 <0.02 <0.001 0.08 0.024 0.007	prompt late arriving pions for high energy neutrons for 8 GeV protons
Cosmic-ray induced Pattern recognition errors	0.10 <0.001	10 ⁻⁴ veto & 2x10 ⁷ sec run
Total	0.4	

10⁻¹⁸ Sensitivity with PRISM



Further Background Rejection to $< 10^{-18}$



PRISM=Phase Rotated Intense Slow Muon source



PRISM Muon Beam



... To Make Narrow Beam Energy Spread

- A technique of phase rotation is adopted.
- The phase rotation is to decelerate fast beam particles and accelerate slow beam particles.
- Proton beam pulse should be narrow (< 10 nsec).
- Phase rotation is a wellestablished technique, but how to apply a tertiary beam like muons (broad emittance) ?
- To identify energy of beam particles, a time of flight (TOF) from the proton bunch is used.
 - Fast particle comes earlier and slow particle comes late.



Phase Rotation for a Muon Beam

Use a muon storage ring?

(1) Use a muon Storage Ring :

A muon storage ring would be better and realistic than a linac option because of reduction of # of cavities and rf power. (2) Rejection of pions in a beam :

At the same time, pions in a beam would decay out owing to long flight length.

Which type of a storage ring ?

(1) cannot be cyclotron, because of no synchrotron oscillation.(2) cannot be synchrotron, because of small acceptance and slow acceleration.

Fixed field Alternating Gradient Ring (FFAG)



PRISM FFAG Lattice Design





PRISM-FFAG Acceptance



N=10 F/D=8 k=5 r0=6.5m H:2.86 V:144

PRISM IFFAG Magnets

- radial sector with C-type yoke
 - •D-F-D triplet

$$B(r) = B_0 \times \left(\frac{r}{r_0}\right)^k$$

- machined pole shape to create field gradient (k)
 trim coils for variable k values (future)
 vertical tune : F/D
 horizontal tune : k value
- •magnetic field design : TOSCA





PRISM FFAG R&D is Going...



Magnetic Field Measurements

- •Magnetic field measurements for PRISM FFAG magnet has been made in spring, 2006.
- •The measured field distribution has been compared with TOSCA calculation.
- Differences between them are less than 0,5%. It is within tolerance.





Alpha Particle Tracking with One Magnet Cell



One-cell Test Stand under Preparation



The test will start soon.

Alpha Particle Tracking with 6 Magnet Cells

Purpose: study demonstration of phase rotation with a 6-cell ring with one RF cavity by single alpha particle tracking. Electric oth
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PRISM-FFAG 6 Cell Ring Layout



R&D on the PRISM Muon Storage (FFAG) Ring at Osaka University



Technical Challenges for PRISM FFAG

- Injection & Extraction Scheme
 - longer straight line ?
- Fast kicker magnet for muon FFAG
 - extinction of a pulsed muon beam
 - momentum selection
 - dispersive beam with momentum slit
- Larger acceptance
 - more muon intensity

Requirements for a Proton Beam for PRISM FFAG

- Requirements
 - Narrow pulse width
 - ~ 10 nano seconds
 - Repetition rate
 - same as the PRISM kicker magnet
 - 100 Hz ~ 1kHz (or faster)
 - Energy
 - 2 GeV ~ 10 GeV

Road Map


Long Future Prospects : From COMET to PRISM



$B(\mu^{-} + Al \to e^{-} + Al) < 10^{-16}$

without a muon storage ring.

- with a slowly-extracted pulsed proton beam.
- doable at the J-PARC NP Hall.
- regarded as the first phase / MECO type
- Early realization



$B(\mu^- + Ti \to e^- + Ti) < 10^{-18}$

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- with a fast-extracted pulsed proton beam.
- need a new beam-line and experimental hall.
- regarded as the second phase.
- Ultimate search



Sensitivity Goal

$$B(\mu^{-} + Al \to e^{-} + Al) < 10^{-16}$$
$$B(\mu^{-} + Ti \to e^{-} + Ti) < 10^{-18}$$

Summary

- Physics motivation of cLFV processes is robust and strong.
- The cLFV processes with muons are, for example, $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ and μ -e conversion.
- The MEG experiment to search for $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ with sensitivity of 10⁻¹³ is running.
- The future next step would be μ-e conversion, where Mu2E (for 10⁻¹⁶ sensitivity) in Fermilab and COMET (for 10⁻¹⁶ sensitivity) in Japan are being planned. For further development, PRISM/PRIME (for 10⁻¹⁸ sensitivity) are considered.

End of My Slides



Research Center for Nuclear Physics (RCNP), Osaka University

Research Center for Nuclear Physics (RCNP), Osaka University has a cyclotron of 400 MeV with 1 microA. The energy is above pion threshold.

Muon Source with low proton power at Osaka U.?

MUSIC (=MUon Science International Center)



Technology-Limited Schedule

Funding sta	arting				
2011	2nd year	3rd year	4th year	5th year	6th year
design & order of SC wires	construction			engineering run	physics run