

PKMuon software and a case study on CLFV

PKMuon 软件及 CLFV 案例研究

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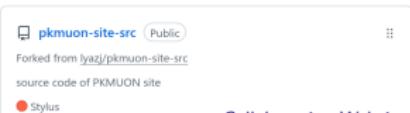
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Philosophy: maximal reuse and minimal adaption above the base

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GEANT := GEOMETRY ANd Tracking

Abstraction: Multiple geometrical operations supported

Modulization: Accepts external definitions (elsewhere)

Decorrelated from the code; human-friendly; error-repelling

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CLFV and recent studies

CLFV 和近期研究

CLFV (Charged Lepton Flavor Violation):

- Strongly suppressed due to the tiny neutrino masses in the Standard Model (SM): $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim 10^{-54}\text{--}10^{-55}$
- Can be significantly enhanced in various BSM models

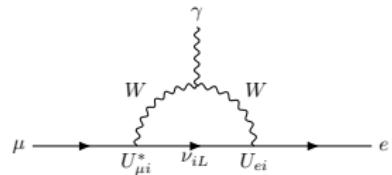


FIG. SM $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ decay process

Dedicated low-energy muon experiments, such as $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$, set limits on $\lambda_{ee}\lambda_{e\mu}$ and $\lambda_{e\mu}\lambda_{\mu\mu}$ coherently according to Ref. [5] as

$$\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = \frac{\alpha G_F^2 m_\mu^3 M_Z^4 \left(\sin^2 \theta_W (\sin^2 \theta_W - 1/2) \right)^2}{4\pi^4 M_{Z'}^4} \\ (\lambda_{ee}\lambda_{e\mu}m_e + \lambda_{e\mu}\lambda_{\mu\mu}m_\mu + \lambda_{e\tau}\lambda_{\tau\mu}m_\tau + \dots)^2,$$

The gray part involving τ and BSM contributions is not considered in previous works.

Strong interference and cancellation between the terms shown or omitted are possible, allowing the existence of terms with very large modulus, highlighting the necessity to probe each term individually.

Theoretical model and simulation setup

理论模型和模拟设定

The $U(1) Z'$ CLFV model:

- Has the same gauge coupling and chiral strength as the SM Z boson except for allowing CLFV quantified by

$$\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{ee} & \lambda_{e\mu} & \lambda_{e\tau} \\ \lambda_{\mu e} & \lambda_{\mu\mu} & \lambda_{\mu\tau} \\ \lambda_{\tau e} & \lambda_{\tau\mu} & \lambda_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix},$$

relative to SM, with the diagonal elements equal to 1 and the off-diagonal expected to be near 0

The PKMuon detectors for $\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ measurements:

- Applies to cosmic-ray and artificial muons
- Cost-effective: no magnetic/calorimeter, giving 2 average momentum directions for each track, without magnitudes
- 3 RPCs per group to suppress muon decay products
- A scintillator PID system downstream RPCs to reject (ionization/bremsstrahlung) electrons (not plotted)
- Generalizable (from DM detection) to other experiments

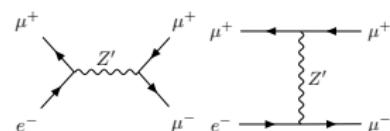


FIG. $U(1) Z'$ -mediated CLFV processes

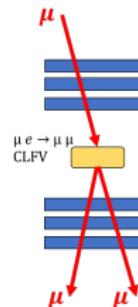
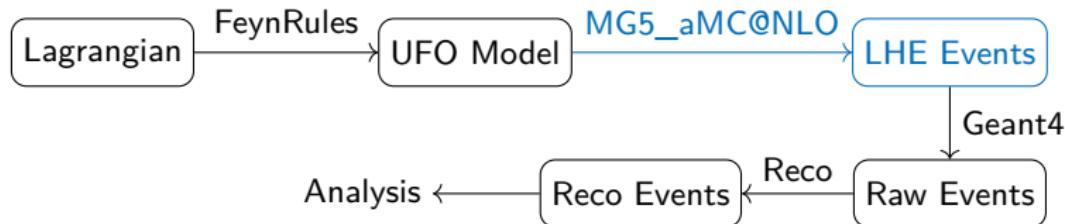


FIG. PKMuon RPC tracker for CLFV measurements

Efficient new physics modeling

高效产生 CLFV 事例



LHE events for arbitrary new physics can be efficiently and conveniently generated through FeynRules and MG5_aMC@NLO

- For various Z' masses and incoming muon energies (incoming muon energies should be varied for muons passing the first 3 RPC layers)
- However, efficient only for *bunch of* (at least $\sim 10^4$) events per mass/energy setup

Our speeding-up solution to avoid event-by-event launch of MG5_aMC@NLO

Pre-acquire the cross section and kinematic distributions for interpolation.

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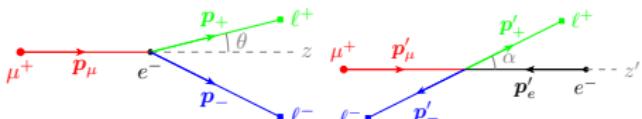


FIG. Lab and COM frame event display

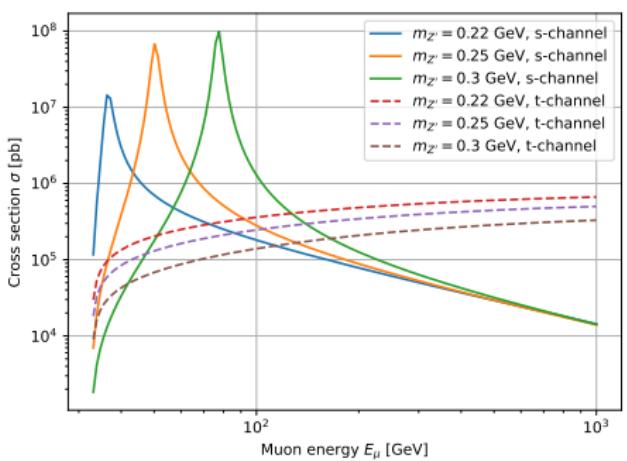
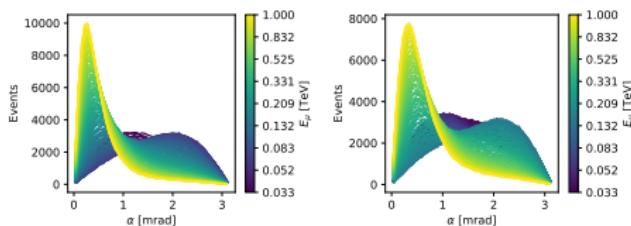
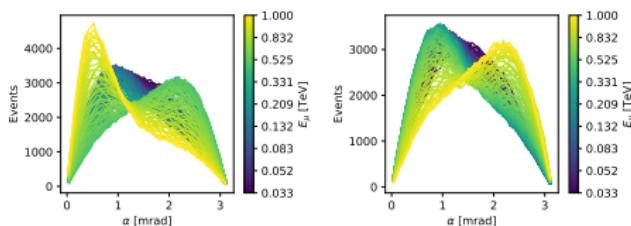


FIG. s - and t -channel cross sections



(a) $m_{Z'} = 0.22 \text{ GeV}$

(b) $m_{Z'} = 0.30 \text{ GeV}$



(c) $m_{Z'} = 0.50 \text{ GeV}$

(d) $m_{Z'} = 0.80 \text{ GeV}$

FIG. $\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ event distributions in the COM frame with varying incident E_μ .

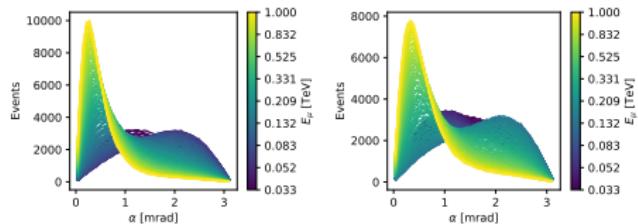
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Algorithm: Efficient $\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ event generation

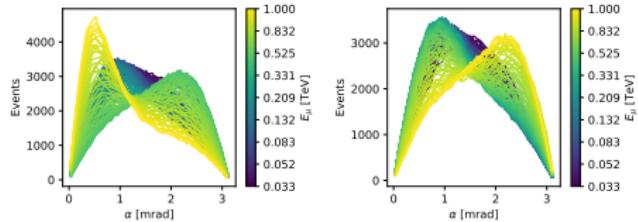
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function GENERATEMUELL( $E_\mu, \vec{p}_\mu, m_\ell$ )
     $E_{\mu 1}, E_{\mu 2}, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, H_1, H_2 \leftarrow$ 
    ADJACENTGRIDPOINTS( $E_\mu$ );
    if  $E_\mu$  is out of the grid range then
        return no  $\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$  happens;
    end if
     $w_1 \leftarrow \frac{E_\mu - E_{\mu 2}}{E_{\mu 1} - E_{\mu 2}}, w_2 \leftarrow \frac{E_{\mu 1} - E_\mu}{E_{\mu 1} - E_{\mu 2}};$ 
     $\sigma \leftarrow w_1 \sigma_1 + w_2 \sigma_2; //$  cross section
    if RANDOM(0, 1) <  $w_1$  then
         $\alpha \leftarrow H_1.\text{SAMPLE}(); //$  polar angle
    else
         $\alpha \leftarrow H_2.\text{SAMPLE}();$ 
    end if
     $\phi \leftarrow \text{RANDOM}(0, 2\pi); //$  azimuthal angle
     $E', p', \gamma, \beta \leftarrow \text{KINEMATICS}(E_\mu, m_\ell);$ 
     $p_{x+} \leftarrow p' \sin \alpha \cos \phi, p_{y+} \leftarrow p' \sin \alpha \sin \phi;$ 
     $p_{z+} \leftarrow \gamma(p' \cos \alpha + \beta E'/2);$ 
     $\vec{p}_+ \leftarrow \text{THREEVECTOR}(p_{x+}, p_{y+}, p_{z+});$ 
     $\vec{p}_+ \leftarrow \vec{p}_+.\text{ROTATEZAXISTO}(\vec{p}_\mu);$ 
     $\vec{p}_- \leftarrow \vec{p}_\mu - \vec{p}_+;$ 
    return  $\sigma, \vec{p}_+, \vec{p}_-$ ;
end function
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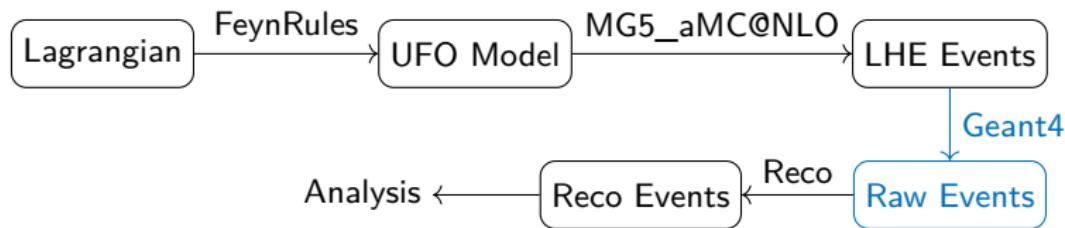
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Detector simulation

含本底的探测器模拟



Background-included signal detection simulated by Geant4 11.2.2:

- $\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$: subclasses `G4VDiscreteProcess`
- Simulated upon physics list `FTFP_BERT`
- Signal (or background) definition: whether (or not) CLFV happens
- Signal rate is scaled to 10^{-3} to 10^{-2} to balance precision and efficiency
- Allows a step length up to 10^{-3} times MFP assuring granularity

Detector simulation

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The PKMuon RPC tracking detectors:

- 3 RPCs/group × 2 groups
- minor/major distance as 200/500 mm
- 2D pixel readout (0.7 mm Exp., 0.5 mm MC)
- trigger as 1 MeV (1/2 mean muon Edep.)

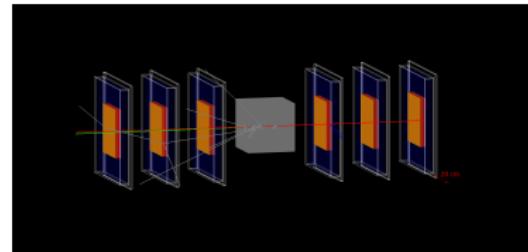


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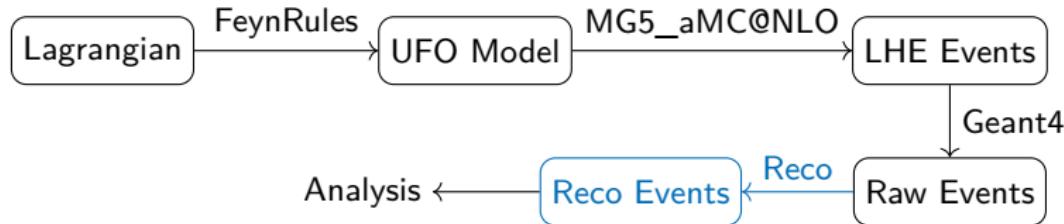
CLFV *can* happen outside the target, but those events are unintended for measurements and will be filtered out by event selection.

The parameters here and the target selection are to be optimized.

Since the measurement is insensitive to the focusing of the incoming muon beam, the beam is considered to be monochromatic, impinging perpendicularly to the detector and distributed uniformly over the area of the RPC module.

Event reconstruction and selection

事例重建和选择

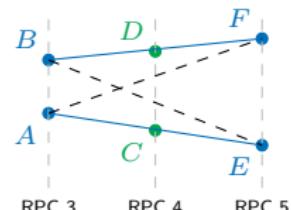


Pre-requirements:

- Comparing none/perfect electron rejection
- #hits on RPCs 0–5: [1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2]

Reconstruction of 2 outgoing tracks:

- Step 1/3:** match hits on RPC 3 and 5
 - expecting 2 tracks diverge from a single point
 - i.e. minimizing the sum of the 2 resulting track lengths
 - e.g. $BF + AE < BE + AF$
- Step 2/3:** add hits on RPC 4, minimizing total χ^2 error
- Step 3/3:** Recompute (fit) spatial lines BDF and ACE



Event reconstruction and selection

事例重建和选择

Event distribution:

- key signal feature: 3 highly collimated tracks (in: 0; out: 1, 2)
- distributed discretely due to limited detector granularity
- signal and background remain largely separated

Event selection:

- $\chi^2 \leq 6$
- $\max_{i \neq j} \langle \vec{p}_i, \vec{p}_j \rangle \leq 0.003$

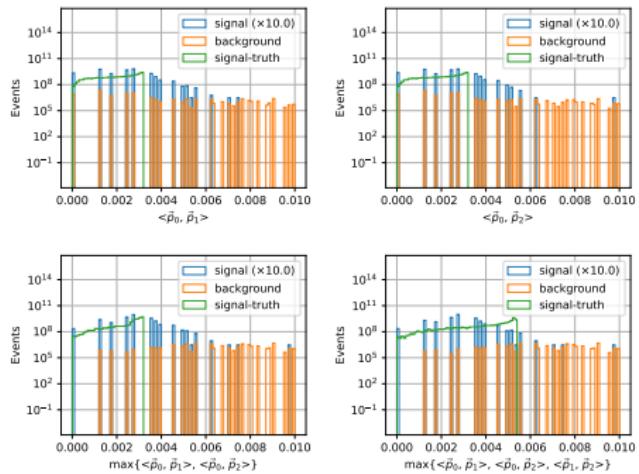
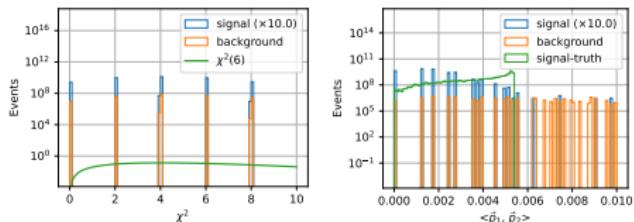


FIG. Event distributions for $E_\mu = 50.2$ GeV, $m_{Z'} = 0.25$ GeV, and $\lambda_{e\mu}$ scaled to 10. The target is a 30 mm thick aluminum block. The yields are normalized to 3×10^{13} muons on target, corresponding to a one-year run.

Results and discussion

结果和讨论

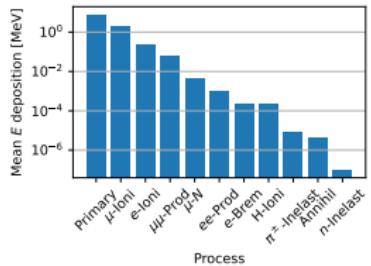


FIG. Typical background components (almost all e !)

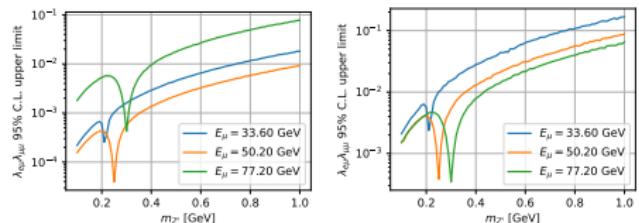
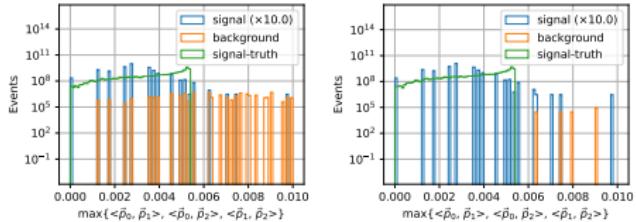


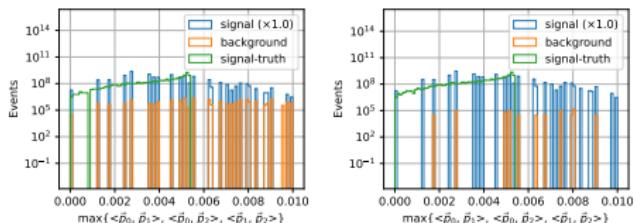
FIG. Prospected 95% ULs for 3 cm Al (L) and 8 cm Pb (R) targets, with e -veto, for a one-year run

Background events are vanishing, raising requirements on a higher statistics in the future.
Finer selection can also be enabled in a higher statistics.



(a) 3 cm Al

(b) 3 cm Al, with e -veto



(c) 8 cm Pb

(d) 8 cm Pb, with e -veto

FIG. Event distribution before final selection

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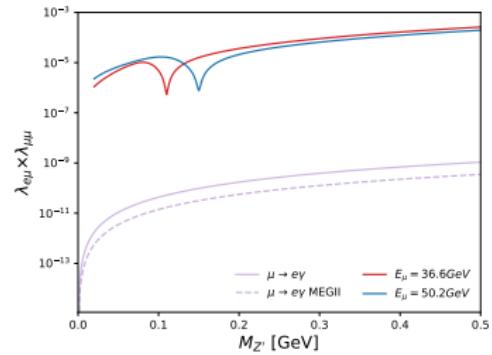
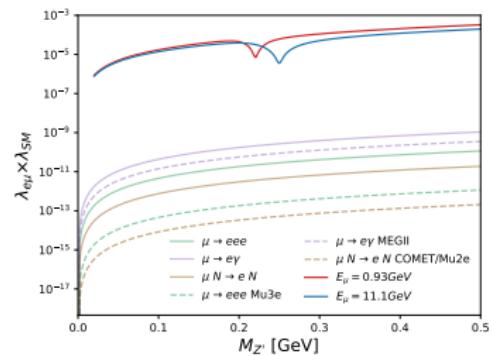
Summary

A general PKMuon detector simulation framework:

- Suitable for multiple physics processes and detector geometries
- Error-repelling and human-friendly

A case study on PKMuon CLFV experiment:

- Exclusively sensitive to $\lambda_{e\mu}\lambda_{\mu\mu}$
- A novel and generalizable efficient event generation algorithm
- $\mu^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ simulation shows the expected 95% CL UL on $\lambda_{e\mu}\lambda_{\mu\mu} \sim 10^{-5}$ with Z' mass ~ 0.25 GeV for a one-year run
- Comparable with the LHE-level simulation in Ref. [6] (lower figure on the right), but not as sensitive as $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$



Thanks for your attention!

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