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TESTS FOR LEPTONIC CP VIOLATION IN TAU DECAYS

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Abstract

At the Z^0 or a B factory, there are two tests for non-CKM-type leptonic CP violation in the $\tau \rightarrow \rho\nu(a_1\nu)$ decay channel by inclusion of $\rho(a_1)$ polarimetry. By CP invariance, the moduli ratio of, and the phase difference between, the two helicity amplitudes for $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^-\nu(a_1^-\nu)$ decay should equal those for $\tau^+ \rightarrow \rho^+\nu(a_1^+\nu)$ decay. Formulas are given for a L-handed ν_τ , and also for an arbitrary mixture of ν_L and ν_R neutrino helicities. Statistical errors are listed for both the case that the τ^- momentum direction is not known, and when it is known via a silicon vertex detector.

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Introduction

After almost 30 years, the fundamental origin and significance of the observed CP and T violations in kaon decays is still a mystery. On the other hand, it is possible to use new collider data to rigorously search for CP and T violations in the tau lepton decays.¹ While such an observation would be surprising, nevertheless we won't be sure of its absence unless we search for it. Spin-correlation effects plus decay polarimetry enable^{2,3} such a search in $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z^0$, or $\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$.

As shown in Ref. 1, by use of ρ polarimetry, there are two tests for "non-CKM-type" leptonic CP violation in $\tau \rightarrow \rho\nu$ decay.

This is easily seen because by rotational invariance there are two independent helicity amplitudes for $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^-\nu_\tau$ decay

$$A(-1, -1/2) = |A(-1, -1/2)| e^{i\phi_{-1}^a}, \quad A(0, -1/2) = |A(0, -1/2)| e^{i\phi_0^a} \quad (1)$$

assuming a L-handed ν_τ . The CP-conjugate decay $\tau^+ \rightarrow \rho^+\bar{\nu}_\tau$ depends on

$$B(1, 1/2) = |B(1, 1/2)| e^{i\phi_1^b}, \quad B(0, 1/2) = |B(0, 1/2)| e^{i\phi_0^b} \quad (2)$$

assuming a R-handed $\bar{\nu}_\tau$. By CP invariance $B(\lambda_{\bar{\nu}}, \lambda_\rho) = A(-\lambda_{\bar{\nu}}, -\lambda_\rho)$. The two tests are that the phase difference and moduli ratio for the two amplitudes for $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^-\nu_\tau$ decay must equal those for the CP-conjugate decay. That is

$$\beta_a = \beta_b \quad (1st \text{ test}) \quad (3)$$

where $\beta_a \equiv \phi_{-1}^a - \phi_0^a$, $\beta_b \equiv \phi_1^b - \phi_0^b$; and

$$r_a = r_b \quad (2nd \text{ test}) \quad (4)$$

in terms of the moduli ratios

$$r_a \equiv \frac{|A(-1, -1/2)|}{|A(0, -1/2)|}, \quad r_b \equiv \frac{|B(1, 1/2)|}{|B(0, 1/2)|} \quad (5)$$

It is important to realize that any leptonic-CKM t-type phases will equally affect the $A(-1, -1/2)$ and $A(0, -1/2)$ amplitudes. Therefore, they will cancel out in β_a and in r_a . Hence, $\beta_a = \beta_b$ and $r_a = r_b$ test for a non-CKM-type leptonic CP violation.

In the standard lepton model (pure V-A and no CP violation), $\beta_a = \beta_b = 0$ and the moduli ratio $r_a = r_b \approx \sqrt{2} m_\rho/m_\tau = 0.613$. These two tests, (3) and (4), should be compared with the classic CP test for partial width asymmetry of CP-conjugate reactions:

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$$A_\Gamma \equiv \frac{\Gamma - \bar{\Gamma}}{\Gamma + \bar{\Gamma}} \quad (6)$$

where, e.g. $\Gamma = \Gamma(\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- \nu_\tau)$ and $\bar{\Gamma} = \bar{\Gamma}(\tau^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau)$. For τ two-body decay modes, the denominator of (6) is known to (1 to 4)%, so (at best) we know $A_\Gamma \sim$ (1 to 4)% whereas we find (see below) that the fractional uncertainty of the moduli can be measured to the $(\delta r_a)/r_a \sim$ (0.1 to 1)% level from data, respectively, at γ^* energies (at the Z^0).

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This conference contribution extends the analysis of Ref. 1 in three ways:

(a) Ref. 1 considered the $\tau \rightarrow \rho \nu$ decay mode. Here the two tests for non-CKM-type leptonic CP violation are extended to the $\tau \rightarrow a_1 \nu$ mode.

(b) Ref. 1 assumed a L-handed ν_τ for the $\tau \rightarrow \rho \nu$ mode. Here formulas are given for a mixture of V-A and V+A couplings, and for both left-handed and right-handed neutrinos in $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- \nu$ ($a_1^- \nu$) decay.

(c) Ref. 1 assumed that the τ^- momentum direction was only known kinematically up to two possible directions. However, by a silicon vertex detector, the τ^- momentum direction may be known at a B factory. Here we obtain and discuss the improvement in the statistical errors for the two tests for the $\tau \rightarrow \rho \nu$ mode when the τ^- momentum direction is measured.

Formulas for $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- \nu$ including both $V \pm A$, and both ν helicities.

Including both ν_L and ν_R helicities and using a "compact boldface formalism," we find the composite decay density matrix for $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- \nu \rightarrow (\pi^- \pi^0) \nu$ is

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{++} & e^{i\phi_1^\tau} r_{+-} \\ e^{-i\phi_1^\tau} r_{-+} & R_{--} \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

The diagonal elements are

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\pm\pm} &= n_a [1 \pm f_a \cos \theta_1^\tau] \\ &\mp (1/\sqrt{2}) \sin \theta_1^\tau \sin 2\tilde{\theta}_a [\cos(\tilde{\phi}_a - \beta_a) |A(0, -1/2)| |A(-1, -1/2)| \\ &- \cos(\tilde{\phi}_a + \beta_a^R) |A(0, 1/2)| |A(1, 1/2)|] \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} r_{+-} &= (r_{-+})^* \\ &= n_a f_a \sin \theta_1^\tau \\ &+ (1/\sqrt{2}) \sin 2\tilde{\theta}_a \{ [\cos \theta_1^\tau \cos(\tilde{\phi}_a - \beta_a) + i \sin(\tilde{\phi}_a - \beta_a)] |A(0, -1/2)| |A(-1, -1/2)| \\ &- [\cos \theta_1^\tau \cos(\tilde{\phi}_a + \beta_a^R) + i \sin(\tilde{\phi}_a + \beta_a^R)] |A(0, 1/2)| |A(1, 1/2)| \} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Note that the two observable phase differences are

$$\beta_a \equiv \phi_{-1}^a - \phi_0^a \quad (10a)$$

$$\beta_a^R \equiv \phi_1^a - \phi_0^{aR} \quad (10b)$$

In Eqs. (8-9),

$$\begin{pmatrix} n_a \\ n_a f_a \end{pmatrix} = \begin{aligned} &\cos^2 \tilde{\theta}_a (|A(0, -1/2)|^2 \pm |A(0, 1/2)|^2) \\ &\pm \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \tilde{\theta}_a (|A(-1, -1/2)|^2 \pm |A(1, 1/2)|^2) \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Similarly, for the conjugate process $\tau^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \bar{\nu} \rightarrow (\pi^+ \pi^0) \bar{\nu}$, including both

$\bar{\nu}_R$ and $\bar{\nu}_L$ helicities,

$$\bar{\mathbf{R}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{R}_{++} & e^{i\phi_2^\tau} \bar{r}_{+-} \\ e^{-i\phi_2^\tau} \bar{r}_{-+} & \bar{R}_{--} \end{pmatrix} \quad (12)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}_{\pm\pm} &= n_b (1 \mp f_b \cos \theta_2^\tau) \\ &\pm (1/\sqrt{2}) \sin \theta_2^\tau \sin 2\tilde{\theta}_b [\cos(\tilde{\phi}_b + \beta_b) |B(0, 1/2)| |B(1, 1/2)| \\ &- \cos(\tilde{\phi}_b - \beta_b^L) |B(0, -1/2)| |B(-1, -1/2)|] \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{F}_{+..} &= (\bar{F}_{+..})^* \\
&= -n_b f_b \sin \theta_2^\tau \\
&- (1/\sqrt{2}) \sin 2 \tilde{\theta}_b \{ [\cos \theta_2^\tau \cos (\tilde{\phi}_b + \beta_b) + \iota \sin (\tilde{\phi}_b + \beta_b)] |B(0, 1/2)| |B(1, 1/2)| \\
&- [\cos \theta_2^\tau \cos (\tilde{\phi}_b - \beta_b^L) + \iota \sin (\tilde{\phi}_b - \beta_b^L)] |B(0, -1/2)| |B(-1, -1/2)| \} \quad (14)
\end{aligned}$$

In Eqs. (13-14),

$$\beta_b \equiv \phi_1^b - \phi_0^b \quad (15a)$$

$$\beta_b^L \equiv \phi_{-1}^b - \phi_0^{bL} \quad (15b)$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} n_b \\ n_b f_b \end{pmatrix} = \cos^2 \tilde{\theta}_b (|B(0, 1/2)|^2 \pm |B(0, -1/2)|^2) \pm \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \tilde{\theta}_b (|B(1, 1/2)|^2 \pm |B(-1, -1/2)|^2) \quad (16)$$

The full "Stage 2 Spin-Correlation" function (S2SC) is given by

$$I_7 = I_7(R \rightarrow R, \bar{R} \rightarrow \bar{R}) \quad (17)$$

where the I_7 function on the right-hand side is given in the next equation from Ref. 1. The simpler I_7 of Ref. 1 assumed a L-handed v in $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- v$, and a R-handed \bar{v} in $\tau^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \bar{v}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
I_7 &= I(E_1, E_2, \phi; \tilde{\theta}_1, \tilde{\phi}_1; \tilde{\theta}_2, \tilde{\phi}_2) \\
&= \sum_{h_1, h_2} |\Gamma(h_1, h_2)|^2 R_{h_1, h_1} \bar{R}_{h_2, h_2} \\
&+ e^{i\phi} T(+ +) T^*(- -) r_{+..} \bar{r}_{+..} + e^{-i\phi} T(- -) T^*(+ +) r_{+..} \bar{r}_{+..} \quad (18)
\end{aligned}$$

where $T(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ are the helicity amplitudes⁴ describing $Z^0, \gamma^* \rightarrow \tau \tau^*$.

Similarly, the simpler 4 (5) variable S2SC functions are

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{4,5} &= I_{4,5} + (\lambda_R)^2 I_{4,5} (\rho \rightarrow \rho^R) + (\bar{\lambda}_L)^2 I_{4,5} (\bar{\rho} \rightarrow \bar{\rho}^L) \\
&+ (\lambda_R \bar{\lambda}_L)^2 I_{4,5} (\rho \rightarrow \rho^R, \bar{\rho} \rightarrow \bar{\rho}^L) \quad (19)
\end{aligned}$$

where the ratios of the R-handed to L-handed $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- v$ moduli (and vice versa for $\tau^+ \rightarrow \rho^+ \bar{v}$) are

$$\lambda_{R, \tau} \equiv \frac{|A(0, 1/2)|}{|A(0, -1/2)|} \quad (20a)$$

$$\bar{\lambda}_L \equiv \frac{|B(0, -1/2)|}{|B(0, 1/2)|} \quad (20b)$$

In Eq. (19), the 4-variable S2SC of Ref. 1 is

$$\begin{aligned}
I(E_{\rho^-}, E_{\rho^+}; \tilde{\theta}_1, \tilde{\theta}_2) &= |\Gamma(+ -)|^2 \rho_{++} \bar{\rho}_{..} \\
&+ |\Gamma(- +)|^2 \rho_{..} \bar{\rho}_{++} + |\Gamma(+ +)|^2 \rho_{++} \bar{\rho}_{++} + |\Gamma(- -)|^2 \rho_{..} \bar{\rho}_{..} \quad (21)
\end{aligned}$$

with the integrated, composite decay density matrix for $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- v_{\tau^-} \rightarrow (\pi \pi^0) v_{\tau^-}$ with τ helicity $\lambda_1 = h/2$

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho_{hh} &= (1 + h \cos \theta_1^\tau) [\cos^2 \omega_1 \cos^2 \tilde{\theta}_1 + 1/2 \sin^2 \omega_1 \sin^2 \tilde{\theta}_1] \\
&+ (r_a/2) (1 - h \cos \theta_1^\tau) [\sin^2 \omega_1 \cos^2 \tilde{\theta}_1 + 1/2 (1 + \cos^2 \omega_1) \sin^2 \tilde{\theta}_1] \\
&+ h (r_a/\sqrt{2}) \cos \beta_a \sin \tilde{\theta}_1 \sin 2 \omega_1 [\cos^2 \tilde{\theta}_1 - 1/2 \sin^2 \tilde{\theta}_1] \quad (22)
\end{aligned}$$

For the CP conjugate process with τ^+ with helicity $\lambda_2 = h/2$,

$$\bar{\rho}_{h,h} = \rho_{-h,-h} \text{ (subscripts } 1 \rightarrow 2, a \rightarrow b) \quad (23)$$

The additional ρ^R and $\bar{\rho}^L$ needed for Eq. (19) are defined (and given) by

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho_{\pm\pm}^R &\equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_1^{(\omega)} \frac{R_{\pm\pm}^R}{|A(0, 1/2)|^2} \\
&= \rho_{-h,-h} (r_a \rightarrow r_a^R, \beta_a \rightarrow \beta_a^R) \quad (24)
\end{aligned}$$

with β_a^R given in Eq. (10b), and

$$r_a^R \equiv \frac{|A(1, 1/2)|}{|A(0, 1/2)|} . \quad (25)$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\rho}_{\pm\pm}^L &\equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\tilde{\phi}_2^{(\pm)} \frac{\bar{R}_{\pm\pm}^L}{|B(0, -1/2)|^2} \\ &= \bar{\rho}_{-h-h} (r_b \rightarrow r_b^L, \beta_b \rightarrow \beta_b^L) \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

with β_b^L of Eq. (15b) and

$$r_b^L \equiv \frac{|B(-1, -1/2)|}{|B(0, -1/2)|} . \quad (27)$$

For the 5-variable S2SC, the additional formulas are

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\pm\mp}^R &\equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\tilde{\phi}_1^{(\pm)} \frac{r_{\pm\mp}^R}{|A(0, 1/2)|^2} \\ &= (\rho_{\mp\pm}^R)^* \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

$$\rho_{+-}^R = -\rho_{-+} (r_a \rightarrow r_a^R, \beta_a \rightarrow -\beta_a^R) \quad (29)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\rho}_{\pm\mp}^L &\equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\tilde{\phi}_2^{(\pm)} \frac{\bar{r}_{\pm\mp}^L}{|B(0, -1/2)|^2} \\ &= (\rho_{\mp\pm}^L)^* \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

$$\bar{\rho}_{+-}^L = -\bar{\rho}_{-+} (r_b \rightarrow r_b^L, \beta_b \rightarrow -\beta_b^L) . \quad (31)$$

See Ref. 1 for the definitions of ρ_{+-} and $\bar{\rho}_{+-}$.

Additional v_R / \bar{v}_L Tests for CP Violation

There are two tests of "non-CKM" type leptonic CP violation if R-handed ν (and L-handed $\bar{\nu}$) exist:

$$\beta_a^R = \beta_b^L \text{ (1st } v_R / \bar{v}_L \text{ test)}$$

$$r_a^R = r_b^L \text{ (2nd } v_R / \bar{v}_L \text{ test)}$$

where the phase differences are defined by Eqs. (10b, 15b) and the moduli ratios by Eqs. (25, 27).

In the case of both ($V \mp A$) couplings and possibly $m_\nu \neq 0$, the $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- \nu$ amplitudes for $\lambda_\nu = -1/2$ are

$$A(0, -1/2) = g_L \left(\frac{E_\rho + q_\rho}{m_\rho} \right) \sqrt{m_\tau (E_\nu + q_\rho)} - g_R \left(\frac{E_\rho - q_\rho}{m_\rho} \right) \sqrt{m_\tau (E_\nu - q_\rho)} \quad (32a)$$

$$A(-1, -1/2) = g_L \sqrt{2m_\tau (E_\nu + q_\rho)} - g_R \sqrt{2m_\tau (E_\nu - q_\rho)} \quad (32b)$$

For $\lambda_\nu = 1/2$ they are

$$A(-1, 1/2) = 0$$

$$A(0, 1/2) = -g_L \left(\frac{E_\rho - q_\rho}{m_\rho} \right) \sqrt{m_\tau (E_\nu - q_\rho)} - g_R \left(\frac{E_\rho + q_\rho}{m_\rho} \right) \sqrt{m_\tau (E_\nu + q_\rho)} \quad (33a)$$

$$A(1, 1/2) = -g_L \sqrt{2m_\tau (E_\nu - q_\rho)} - g_R \sqrt{2m_\tau (E_\nu + q_\rho)} . \quad (33b)$$

Note that $g_{L,R}$ respectively denote the chirality ($V \mp A$) of the $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- \nu$ coupling whereas $\lambda_\nu = \mp 1/2$ denotes the handedness of the (massive) tau neutrino.

Formulas for $\tau^- \rightarrow a_1^- \nu$ including both $V \pm A$, and both ν helicities.

First, note that in kinematically describing the $\tau^- \rightarrow a_1^- \nu \rightarrow (\pi_1^- \pi_2^- \pi_3^+)$ mode, one can use the normal to the $(\pi_1^- \pi_2^- \pi_3^+)$ decay triangle in place of the π^- momentum direction of $\rho^- \rightarrow \pi_1^- \pi_2^0$ of the $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- \nu$ decay mode. Then, the various S2SC functions given above still hold, Eqs. (17) and (19).

Including both v_L and v_R helicities, we find composite decay density matrices for the $\tau^- \rightarrow a_1^- \nu \rightarrow (\pi_1^- \pi_2^- \pi_3^+) \nu$ decay sequence⁵

$$R^\nu = S_1^+ R^+ + S_1^- R^- \quad (34)$$

where R^\pm have the same form as Eq. (12) except the elements have " \pm " superscripts (see below). S_1^\pm describe $a_1^- \rightarrow \pi_1^- \pi_2^- \pi_3^+$. When the 3-body Dalitz plot is integrated over, only the S_1^+ term remains. In Eq. (34), the R^+ matrix elements are

$$R_{\pm\pm}^+ = \text{(Eq. (8) except } (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \rightarrow (-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})\text{)} \quad (35a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_{\pm\pm}^+ &= (r_{\pm\pm}^+)^* \\ &= \text{(Eq. (9) except } (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \rightarrow (-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})\text{)} \end{aligned} \quad (35b)$$

with

$$\begin{pmatrix} n_a \\ n_a f_a \end{pmatrix} = \sin^2 \tilde{\theta}_a (|A(0, -1/2)|^2 \pm |A(0, 1/2)|^2) \pm (1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \tilde{\theta}_a) (|A(-1, -1/2)|^2 \pm |A(1, 1/2)|^2) \quad (36)$$

Similarly, the R^- matrix elements are

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\pm\pm}^- &= -n_a^- (1 \mp \frac{f_a^-}{\cos \theta_1^\tau} \cos \theta_2^\tau) \\ &\mp \sqrt{2} \sin \theta_1^\tau \sin \tilde{\theta}_a [\cos(\tilde{\phi}_a - \beta_a) |A(0, -1/2)| |A(-1, -1/2)| \\ &+ \cos(\tilde{\phi}_a + \beta_a^R) |A(0, 1/2)| |A(1, 1/2)|] \end{aligned} \quad (37a)$$

with

$$\begin{pmatrix} n_a^- \\ n_a^- f_a^- \end{pmatrix} = \cos \tilde{\theta}_a (|A(-1, -1/2)|^2 \mp |A(1, 1/2)|^2), \quad (37b)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} r_{\pm\pm}^- &= (r_{\pm\pm}^-)^* \\ &= \sin \theta_1^\tau \cos \tilde{\theta}_a (|A(-1, -1/2)|^2 + |A(1, 1/2)|^2) \\ &+ \sqrt{2} \sin \tilde{\theta}_a \{ [\cos \theta_2^\tau \cos(\tilde{\phi}_a - \beta_a) + i \sin(\tilde{\phi}_a - \beta_a)] |A(0, -1/2)| |A(-1, -1/2)| \\ &+ [\cos \theta_2^\tau \cos(\tilde{\phi}_a + \beta_a^R) + i \sin(\tilde{\phi}_a + \beta_a^R)] |A(0, 1/2)| |A(1, 1/2)| \} \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

For the conjugate decay sequence, $\tau^+ \rightarrow a_1^+ \bar{\nu} \rightarrow (\pi_1^+ \pi_2^+ \pi_3^-) \bar{\nu}$,

$$\bar{R}^{\bar{\nu}} = \bar{S}_1^+ \bar{R}^+ + \bar{S}_2^- \bar{R}^- \quad (39)$$

The \bar{R}^+ matrix elements (see Eq. (12)) are

$$\bar{R}_{\pm\pm}^+ = \text{(Eq. (13) except } (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \rightarrow (-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})\text{)} \quad (40a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{r}_{\pm\pm}^+ &= (\bar{r}_{\pm\pm}^+)^* \\ &= \text{(Eq. (14) except } (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \rightarrow (-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})\text{)} \end{aligned} \quad (40b)$$

with

$$\begin{pmatrix} n_b \\ n_b f_b \end{pmatrix} = \sin^2 \tilde{\theta}_b (|B(0, 1/2)|^2 \pm |B(0, -1/2)|^2) \pm (1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \tilde{\theta}_b) (|B(1, 1/2)|^2 \pm |B(-1, -1/2)|^2) \quad (41)$$

The \bar{R}^- matrix elements are

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}_{\pm\pm}^- &= n_b^- (1 \pm \frac{f_b^-}{\cos \theta_2^\tau} \cos \theta_1^\tau) \\ &\mp \sqrt{2} \sin \theta_2^\tau \sin \tilde{\theta}_b [\cos(\tilde{\phi}_b + \beta_b) |B(0, 1/2)| |B(1, 1/2)| \\ &+ \cos(\tilde{\phi}_b - \beta_b^L) |B(0, -1/2)| |B(-1, -1/2)|] \end{aligned} \quad (42a)$$

with

$$\begin{pmatrix} n_b^- \\ n_b^- f_b^- \end{pmatrix} = \cos \tilde{\theta}_b (|B(1, 1/2)|^2 \mp |B(-1, -1/2)|^2), \quad (42b)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{r}_{\pm\pm}^- &= (\bar{r}_{\pm\pm}^-)^* \\ &= \sin \theta_2^\tau \cos \tilde{\theta}_b (|B(1, 1/2)|^2 + |B(-1, -1/2)|^2) \\ &+ \sqrt{2} \sin \tilde{\theta}_b \{ [\cos \theta_1^\tau \cos(\tilde{\phi}_b + \beta_b) + i \sin(\tilde{\phi}_b + \beta_b)] |B(0, 1/2)| |B(1, 1/2)| \\ &+ [\cos \theta_1^\tau \cos(\tilde{\phi}_b - \beta_b^L) + i \sin(\tilde{\phi}_b - \beta_b^L)] |B(0, -1/2)| |B(-1, -1/2)| \} \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

Ideal Statistical Errors

$\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^- \nu$ mode with L-handed ν :

Tables 1, 2 and 3 list the ideal statistical errors⁶ of Ref. 1 for the CP and \tilde{T}_{FS} discrete symmetry tests. Here \tilde{T}_{FS} is the approximate time-reversal-operation which holds only if possible final-state-interactions are

neglected. Such effects are indeed negligible in the usual V-A, $m_{\nu\tau} = 0$ lepton model. By \tilde{T}_{FS} the decay amplitude (A or B above) is purely real.

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$\tau \rightarrow a^- \nu$ mode with L-handed ν :

Tables 4, 5, 6 list the analogous ideal statistical errors for the CP and \tilde{T}_{FS} discrete symmetry tests in the case of the $\tau \rightarrow a_1 \nu$ decay mode.

Improvement from measurement of τ momentum direction:

As discussed above, by use of a silicon vertex detector it may be possible to uniquely determine the τ momentum direction. Table 7 shows the improvement for the 2 tests for "non-CKM" type CP-violation in $\tau \rightarrow \rho \nu$ decay.

Conclusions About Ideal Statistical Errors

At the Z^0 , $10^7 Z^0$'s are assumed, and at each γ^* energy we assumed $10^7 \tau^- \tau^+$ pairs. Notice that in the measurement of the phase differences at γ^* energies, versus at the Z^0 , there is not as much improvement as would be expected due to the increase in the number of events. This is because in using ρ -polarimetry (or a_1 -polarimetry) a Wigner-rotation is involved in going from the center of mass frame's ρ -observables (or a_1 -observables) to the respective τ rest frame's ρ -observables (or a_1 -observables). For instance, see Tables 3 and 6.

τ spin correlations are necessary to measure β_a at γ^* energies; at the Z^0 , without using spin-correlations there would be an extra suppression factor of $\langle P_\tau \rangle = -0.138$.

Since the direction of the initial e^- beam has been integrated out, there is no obvious source for a violation of \tilde{T}_{FS} invariance for the S2SC processes considered here. For instance, unlike in K_L3 decays, since ν_τ is only weakly interacting there is no "old physics" source for electromagnetic rescattering of the ν_τ and the ρ^- (or a_1^-).

The tables for the a_1 decay modes show approximately the same patterns as those for the ρ decay modes obtained earlier in Ref. 1 and shown here in the first three tables. However, the net sensitivities differ—the sensitivity for the $\beta_a = \beta_b$ test is about 10 times worse in the a_1 mode, but the **normalized** sensitivity is about the same for the $r_a = r_b$ test for both the ρ mode and for the a_1 mode. "**Normalized** sensitivity" refers to the value of the fractional error $\{ \sigma(r_a) / r_a \}$.

For measurement of β_a at γ^* energies, knowledge of the τ momentum direction improves the sensitivity by about a factor of $(1/\sqrt{2} = 0.707)$ which is what would be expected by statistics. However, there is a small (about 10 %) improvement in the measurement of r_a by measurement of the τ momentum direction.

In conclusion, at γ^* energies one can perform the 1st test, $\beta_a = \beta_b$, to about the 0.5% level, and the 2nd test, $r_a = r_b$, to about the 0.1% level by the ρ decay mode. For the a_1 , the sensitivity for the 1st test is about 10 times worse, but is about the same for the 2nd test.

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$$\sigma_{ij} = \sqrt{I(x_i, y_j)}$$
. By χ^2 minimization, the "ideal statistical error" in the measurement of "a" is
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Table Captions

- Table 1: At $E_{cm} = M_Z$, ideal statistical errors for two tests for CP violation in $\tau \rightarrow \rho\nu$ by the simpler S2SC function $I(E_1, E_2, \tilde{\theta}_1, \tilde{\theta}_2)$, see Eq. (21), for the sequential decay $Z^0 \rightarrow \tau^-\tau^+$ with $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^-\nu \rightarrow (\pi^-\pi^0)\nu$ and $\tau^+ \rightarrow \rho^+\bar{\nu}, \pi^+\bar{\nu}$, or $\ell^+ \nu_\ell \bar{\nu}_\tau$. We use $10^7 Z^0$ events.
- Table 2: At $E_{cm} = 10$ GeV and 4 GeV respectively, ideal statistical errors for two tests for CP violation in $\tau \rightarrow \rho\nu$ by the simpler S2SC function, Eq. (21), for the decay of an off-mass-shell photon $\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau^-\tau^+$ with $\tau^- \rightarrow \rho^-\nu \rightarrow (\pi^-\pi^0)\nu$, and $\tau^+ \rightarrow \rho^+\bar{\nu}, \pi^+\bar{\nu}$, or $\ell^+ \nu_\ell \bar{\nu}_\tau$. We use $10^7 \gamma^* \rightarrow \tau^-\tau^+$ events.
- Table 3: Ideal statistical errors for CP/T violation tests based on the full S2SC function of Eq. (18) for the $\{\rho^-\rho^+\}$ sequential decay mode. Note that $\tilde{\beta} \equiv \beta_a - \beta_b$ and $\beta' \equiv \beta_a + \beta_b$.
- Table 4: Ideal statistical errors for CP tests for $\tau^- \rightarrow a_1^-\nu \rightarrow (\pi_1^-\pi_2^-\pi_0^+)\nu$ at Z^0 from the simpler $I(E_1, E_2, \tilde{\theta}_1, \tilde{\theta}_2)$.
- Table 5: Same as Table 4 except at $E_{cm} = 10$ GeV and 4 GeV.
- Table 6: Ideal statistical errors for CP/T violation tests based on full S2SC for $\{a_1^-\}$ sequential decay mode.
- Table 7: Percentage improvement for tests for $\tau \rightarrow \rho\nu$ mode (compare Table 3) when τ direction is known, e.g. via silicon vertex detector.

TABLE 1

$E_{cm} = M_Z$ Mode	Number of events.	Ideal statistical errors	
		$\sigma(r_s)$	$\sigma(\beta_s^2)$
$(\rho^- \rho^+)$	20,302	0.0065	$(12^\circ)^2$
$(\rho^- \pi^+)$	9,847	0.0091	$(12^\circ)^2$
$(\rho^- \ell^+)$	29,074	0.0056	$(15^\circ)^2$
Sum of above modes	59,223	0.0039 [0.6%]	$(10^\circ)^2$

TABLE 2

Mode	Number of events.	$E_{cm} = 10 \text{ GeV}$		$E_{cm} = 4 \text{ GeV}$	
		$\sigma(r_s)$	$\sigma(\beta_s^2)$	$\sigma(r_s)$	$\sigma(\beta_s^2)$
$(\rho^- \rho^+)$	605,127	.0012	$(5.5^\circ)^2$	.0011	$(8.8^\circ)^2$
$(\rho^- \pi^+)$	293,527	.0017	$(5.9^\circ)^2$	.0016	$(9.1^\circ)^2$
$(\rho^- \ell^+)$	866,658	.0010	$(7.5^\circ)^2$	.0010	$(11.5^\circ)^2$
Sum of above modes	1,765,312	.0007 [0.1%]	$(4.7^\circ)^2$	.0007 [0.1%]	$(7.3^\circ)^2$

TABLE 3

E_{cm}	Number of $(\rho^- \rho^+)$ events	Ideal Statistical Errors		
		$\sigma(\tilde{\beta})$	$\sigma(\beta')$	$\sigma(\beta_s)$
M_Z	20,302	1.88°	3.15°	1.84°
10 GeV	605,127	0.43°	0.74°	0.42°
4 GeV	605,127	0.86°	1.13°	0.71°

TABLE 4

$E_{cm} = M_Z$ Mode	Number of events.	Ideal statistical errors	
		$\sigma(r_s)$	$\sigma(\beta_s^2)$
$(a_1^- a_1^+)$	2,718	0.019	$(41^\circ)^2$
$(a_1^- \rho^+)$	7,428	0.011	$(22^\circ)^2$
$(a_1^- \pi^+)$	3,603	0.016	$(24^\circ)^2$
$(a_1^- \ell^+)$	10,638	0.009	$(29^\circ)^2$
Sum of above modes	24,387	0.0062 [0.6%]	$(18^\circ)^2$

TABLE 5

Mode	Number of events.	$E_{cm} = 10 \text{ GeV}$		$E_{cm} = 4 \text{ GeV}$	
		$\sigma(r_s)$	$\sigma(\beta_s^2)$	$\sigma(r_s)$	$\sigma(\beta_s^2)$
$(a_1^- a_1^+)$	81,000	.0035	$(21^\circ)^2$	.0035	$(26^\circ)^2$
$(a_1^- \rho^+)$	221,400	.0021	$(10^\circ)^2$	.0021	$(15^\circ)^2$
$(a_1^- \pi^+)$	107,388	.0030	$(11^\circ)^2$	.0030	$(15^\circ)^2$
$(a_1^- \ell^+)$	317,070	.0018	$(14^\circ)^2$	.0018	$(19^\circ)^2$
Sum of above modes	726,858	.0011 [0.1%]	$(5^\circ)^2$	.0012 [0.1%]	$(12^\circ)^2$

TABLE 6

E_{cm}	Number of $(a_1^- a_2^+)$ events	Ideal Statistical Errors		
		$\sigma(\tilde{\beta})$	$\sigma(\beta')$	$\sigma(\beta_s)$
M_Z	2,718	20°	32°	17°
10 GeV	81,000	4°	6°	5°
4 GeV	81,000	8°	10°	8°

TABLE 7

E_{cm}	Number of ($e^- p^+$) events	Percentage Improvement by τ Direction	
		$\sigma(\tau_e)$	$\sigma(\beta_e)$
10 GeV	605,127	7%	27%
4 GeV	605,127	12%	26%