Detecting Higgs Bosons in B_s Decays and Direct Searches

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- Based on a recent paper by C. Kao and Y. Wang, Phys. Lett. B 635 (2006) 30.
- ∼ Direct search for Higgs bosons at the LHC $pp \rightarrow b\phi^0 \rightarrow b\mu^+\mu^- + X, \phi^0 = H^0, h^0, A^0$
- ∼ Indirect search for Higgs bosons in $B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-$

The Minimal Supersymmetric Model

In the minimal supersymmetric standard mode (MSSM), there are two Higgs doublets with vacuum expectation value (VEVs) v₁ and v₂, and five Higgs bosons: two scalars H⁰ and h⁰, one pseudoscalar A⁰, and a pair of singly charged Higgs bosons H[±].

∼At the tree level, $m_h \le M_Z \approx 91$ GeV < m_H , with radiative corrections, m_h can be in the range 125 GeV ≤ $m_h \le 135$ GeV.

~There are only two free parameters in the Higgs sector, often chosen to be m_A and $\tan \beta \equiv v_2/v_1$.

Discovering the Higgs Bosons with Muons



- The A⁰ and the H⁰ might be observable in a large region of parameter space with $\tan\beta \ge 10$.
- This discovery channel of $\mu^+\mu^-$ will allow precise reconstruction for the Higgs boson masses.
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Cross Section in the MSSM



FIG 1/Kao and Stepanov

Discovering Higgs Bosons with Muons and a Bottom Quark



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Summary for Higgs Decay into Muons

- The discovery channel of $b\phi^0 \rightarrow b\mu^+\mu^-$ offers great promise to discover the A⁰ and the H⁰ at the LHC for tan $\beta > 10$, m_A < 650 GeV with L = 30 fb⁻¹.
- A higher luminosity of 300 fb⁻¹ can improve the discovery reach in m_A up to $m_A = 800$ GeV.
- The $b\phi^0$ channel greatly improves the discovery potential beyond the reach of the inclusive channel $pp \rightarrow \phi^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- + X.$
- This discovery channel might provide good opportunities to measure important parameters such as the Higgs masses, tanβ, and Higgs couplings with bottom quarks and leptons.

The Minimal Supergravity Model

In the minimal supergravity unified model (mSUGRA), it is assumed that SUSY is broken in a hidden sector with SUSY breaking communicated to the observable sector through gravitational interactions, leading to a common scalar mass (m₀), a common gaugino mass (m_{1/2}), a common trilinear coupling (A₀), and a bilinear coupling (B₀) at the grand unified scale (M_{GUT}).
 We often choose m₀, m_{1/2}, A₀, tan β, and sign(μ) as the 5 free parameters.

The masses and couplings of SUSY particles are evaluated with renormalization group equations.



 $B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-$

 This rare decay has a small branching fraction in the Standard Model

 $B(B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-) = 3.4 \times 10^{-9}$

∼ The current experimental upper limit from CDF and D0 is $B(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) < 0.8 \times 10^{-7}$

Feynman Diagrams





Recent Studies

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Branching Fraction versus tan(b)



Minimal Supersymmetric Model

MSSM



Minimal Supergravity Model

mSUGRA



Non-universal Supergravity Models

- Supergravity models with non-universal Higgs boson masses (NUHM SUGRA) give more interesting rates.
- ~The Higgs masses at M_{GUT} are chosen to be $m_{H_i}^2(GUT) = (1 + \delta_i)m_0^2, i = 1, 2.$
- In our NUHM SUGRA cases, m_A and m_H are smaller than those in the mSUGRA model for the same values of m₀ and m_{1/2}.
 Consequently, both

 $b\phi^0 \to b\mu^+\mu^-$ and $B_s \to \mu^+\mu^-$

will be able to cover regions of the parameter space with larger values of m_0 and $m_{1/2}$.

NUHM SUGRA Case I





NUHM SUGRA Case III



Summary

(a) The contours for $B(B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-) = 1 \times 10^{-8}$ in the parameter space are very close to the 5σ contours for $pp \to b\phi^0 \to b\mu^+ \mu^- + X$, at the LHC with L = 30 fb⁻¹.

(b) The regions covered by $B(B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-) \ge 5 \times 10^{-9}$ and the discovery region for $b\phi^0 \to b\mu^+\mu^-$ with 300 fb⁻¹ are complementary in the mSUGRA parameter space.

(c) in SUGRA models with nonuniversal Higgs masses, a discovery for $B(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \simeq 5 \times 10^{-9}$ at the LHC will cover regions of the parameter space beyond the direct search for $pp \rightarrow b\phi^0 \rightarrow b\mu^+ \mu^- + X$, with $L = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$.