Optimizing Background Simulations for Charged-Lepton Flavor Violation in the Leptoquark Framework at the Electron-Ion Collider

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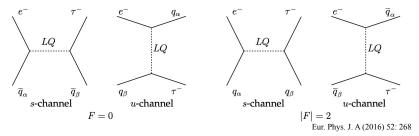


Charged-Lepton Flavor Violation (CLFV)

- ν oscillations \rightarrow LFV \rightarrow CLFV
- ${\rm Br}(\mu\to e\gamma)<10^{-54}$
- GUT, SUSY predict enhanced rates for CLFV(1,3) \rightarrow motivating the search for e \leftrightarrow τ transitions
- EIC searches for BSM measurements

Leptoquarks

• Leptoquarks mediate CLFV (1,3) processes



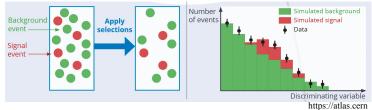
• We carry out the simulation analysis for determining sensitivity to the CLFV(1,3) process $e + p \rightarrow \tau + X$ in the leptoquark framework at the EIC

Background and Signal Simulations

- In this study the hadronic tau decay will be focused on: $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^- \nu_{ au}$
- Background processes: NC DIS, CC DIS, and Photoproduction
- Event generators:
 - LQGENEP (L. Bellagamba, 2001)
 - 2 DJANGOH (4.6.21) (H. Spiesberger 2023)
 - Opthia (6.428) (Torbjörn Sjöstrand, Stephen Mrenna, Peter Skands, 2006)

Separating signal and background using Multivariate Analysis (MVA)

- The goal of this work is to study for $e^- \rightarrow \tau^-$ conversion at the EIC based on ePIC detector simulations focusing on the highest collision energy 18×275 GeV.
- Background events coming from NC, CC and Photoproduction events need to be differentiated from LQ events.



• Boosted Decision Trees (BDT)