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KORALB version 2.1

An upgrade with TAUOLA library of τ decays.

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ABSTRACT

An upgrade of the Monte Carlo program for τ pair production including τ mass, spin and QED $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ effects is presented. Its main feature is the interface to the new τ decay Monte Carlo library TAUOLA.

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NEW VERSION SUMMARY

Title of the program: KORALB, version: 2.1
Reference to original program: Comp. Phys. Comm. **36** (1985) 191.
Authors of original program: S. Jadach and Z. Wąs
Computer: IBM 3090; *Installation:* CERN
Operating system: VM/CMS
Programming language used: FORTRAN 77
High speed storage required: 45000 words
No. of bits in a word: 32
Peripherals used: Line printer
No. of cards in combined program and test deck including TAUOLA library: 5607
Keywords: radiative corrections, heavy lepton τ , Monte Carlo simulation, quantum electrodynamics, spin polarization, electro-weak effects
Comparison with the previous version, and reasons for the new version: The powerful τ decay library [2] is now available. The physics content of the τ production part of the program remains the same. The additional routine KORALB is added to make program more user friendly.
Typical running time: 130 events per (IBM 3090) sec., in case of Inclusive τ decays and no beam polarization.
Unusual features of the manual: This is not an independent document. Only the differences with Refs. [1,2] are documented

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UPDATE DESCRIPTION

1. Introduction

Since the original version of the KORALB program was published [1], there were no major corrections introduced to the program. All the physical content, (treatment of QED, Z-exchange, spin) remained the same. It is still the most complete and sophisticated Monte Carlo generator for τ pair production process at low energies, $\sqrt{s} < 30$ GeV. In the meantime the other Monte Carlo program KORAZ [4] was developed for higher energies (LEP). In the course of its development a new τ -decay M.C. library has been constructed.

The low energy e^+e^- experiments are still collecting τ -pair data (ARGUS, CLEO) and the new high luminosity experiments are planned (so called τ -charm factories). It is therefore of the urgent need to combine KORALB τ -production program with TAUOLA τ -decay library. In this paper we present new version of KORALB interfaced to TAUOLA. This will be an excellent M.C. tool for future τ -pair production experiments at low energies.

The presented new version of KORALB is almost identical with the old one. Minor modifications include correcting the error described in Ref. [2]. This and other (cosmetic) corrections are marked with strings: "C;" or "C*". The old, primitive τ -decay routines are removed and replaced by the τ -decay library TAUOLA [3].

To make the program more user friendly we have introduced a new main routine named KORALB which controls flow of input and output information in a transparent way. Let us also note that it is possible to run present versions of the KORALB and KORALZ programs with the same input data set.

In the following, we shall describe how to run the new program, and we list modifications in certain routines and common blocks.

2. How to use the program

A Monte Carlo event, i.e. a complete set of final state momenta and flavors, is generated by a single call to routine KORALB. For example a complete sequence of calls which generates 1000 M.C. events may look like

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REAL*4 PB1(4), PB2(4), E1(3), E2(3), XPR(40)
INTEGER*4 NPR(40)
CALL KORALB(-1, KFB, PB1, E1, -KFB, PB2, E2, XPR, NPR)
DO 300 IEV=1, 1000
CALL KORALB(0, KFB, PB1, E1, -KFB, PB2, E2, XPR, NPR)
300 filling histograms
CALL KORALB(1, KFB, PB1, E1, -KFB, PB2, E2, XPR, NPR)
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Here, the first obligatory call on KORALB defines e^\pm beam momenta and transfers other input parameters (so far no event generation). The other calls on KORALB in the loop generate M.C. events, and the final optional call terminates the generation by printing some useful output. The final output includes: the total cross section, widths in τ decays from TAUOLA etc. Generally, the input parameters are transferred as KORALB parameters and the output results (momenta, flavors) are encoded in common blocks documented, if necessary, later in this Section.

Let us explain now in a more detail the parameters of KORALB. As is obvious from the above example the first parameter MODE in KORALB(MODE,...) is defining whether KORALB is called in initialization mode (MODE=-1), generation mode (MODE=0), or post generation mode (MODE=1).

2.1. INITIALIZATION MODE

In the initialization mode (MODE=-1) the meaning of the parameters in KORALB(MODE, KFB, PB1, E1, -KFB, PB2, E2, XPR, NPR) is the following: REAL*4 PB1(4), PB2(4) are four-momenta of the first and second beam (with PB1(4) and PB2(4) being the energy). Both momenta are necessarily along a third axis in the laboratory system (CMS) and PB1 is required to have a positive third component. INTEGER*4 KFB is a flavor identifier of the first beam (i.e. associated with PB1). KFB=7, -7 denotes electron and positron respectively in the notation of the Lund version 6.3 [5]. Two four vectors REAL*4 E1(4), E2(4) are spin polarization vectors of the first and second beam in the e^\pm rest frames. For the first beam (PB1, E1), the corresponding rest frame used to define its spin polarization vector E1 has its third axis directed along its line of flight, i.e. it is a standard helicity axis. For E2, the direction of the corresponding third axis is opposite to its line of flight, i.e., opposite to its helicity axis. For example KFB=-7, E1=(0.0.0.0.1.0), E2=(0.0.0.0.1.0), means that the user asks for

the first beam being a right-handed positron and the second being a left-handed electron. Transverse and partial polarizations are allowed, e.g., E2=(0.0.0.0.0.5) would represent a 50% polarized second beam. The other input parameters are transferred through matrices REAL*4 XPR(40) and INTEGER NPR(40).

In the table below we give a short summary of all input parameters.

| Parameter | Meaning |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| KFB | Flavor identifier of the first beam, KFB=7, -7 denotes electron and positron respectively (Lund notation). |
| PB1 | Four momentum of the first beam. PB1(3)>0 is required. |
| E1 | Spin polarisation vector of the first beam. E1(3)=helicity. |
| PB2 | Four momentum of the second beam. |
| E2 | Spin polarisation vector of the second beam. E2(3)=helicity. |
| I _{PR} (1)=ISPIN | Switch for spin effects in τ decay. The user normally sets ISPIN=1 to have all spin effects included and may set ISPIN=0 to neglect them. |
| I _{PR} (2)=I _{IRAN} | Integer constant, I _{IRAN} ≥1, is used to initialise a random number generator in the τ pair production part of M.C. |
| I _{PR} (3)=KEYGSW | Implementation level of the GSW standard electroweak model. For KEYGSW=0 there is no Z exchange at all. For KEYGSW=1 the interference between γ and Z exchange is included. |
| I _{PR} (4)=KEYRAD | Switch for the QED bremsstrahlung. KEYRAD=0 means no QED bremsstrahlung. KEYRAD=1 denotes single bremsstrahlung. |

2.2. GENERATION/PRODUCTION MODE

In this mode all parameters of KORALB, except for $MODE=0$, are ignored. The produced Monte Carlo event is stored in the common block

`COMMON / LUJETS / M,K(2000,2),P(2000,5)`

The common block LUJETS contains a complete set of all initial and final state flavors and four-momenta encoded in the standard conventions of the Lund program version 6.3, see for more details the original reference [5]. This common block contains information on the e^\pm beams, on the τ^+ , τ^- , γ and finally on all the τ^\pm decay products including neutrinos. Conservation of total energy and momentum is explicitly obeyed. Intermediate particles like W^\pm and ρ^\pm are kept in the record, like in the Lund programs. If the user wants π^0 's to decay, it can be done by means of calling on LUEXEC. Every event may be edited using LVEDIT and displayed using LULIST. These three routines belong to the Lund package JETSET [5]. In KORALB itself, however, there is no explicit call to any Lund subprogram.

In addition the final state momenta for the production process may only be found in `COMMON / UTIL4 / QP(4),QM(4),PH(4)` where `REAL*4 QP,QM` are four-momenta of τ^+ , and τ^- respectively and `REAL*4 PH` is the momentum of the bremsstrahlung photon (in GeV units).

2.3. POSTGENERATION MODE

A call on KORALB in this mode ($MODE=1$) may be optionally used in order to obtain information on the value of the integrated cross section and the list of the partial τ decay widths. They are obtained with a finite statistical error depending on the number of generated M.C. events and they correspond strictly to the production and decay matrix elements used in the actual M.C. generation*. All this information is printed in the output, and some of it is also provided to the user through parameter matrices XPR and NPR, see table below.

| Parameter | Meaning |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <code>NPR(10)</code> | Number of generated τ pairs. |
| <code>XPR(10)</code> | Total cross section cm^2 . |

* For generation, however, the probabilities of various decay modes are determined using values of the branching ratios from common block TAUBRA. They have to be initialised by the user, see Long-Write-Up of TAUOLA.

| Parameter | Meaning |
|-----------------------------|--|
| <code>NPR(5)=JAK1</code> | The variable JAK1=1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 defines the decay channel of τ^+ as being $p_e^+ \nu$, $\nu \mu^+ \nu$, $\nu \tau^+$, $\nu \rho^+$, $\nu \pi^+$, νK^+ , νK^{*+} , $\nu(\pi\pi)^+$, respectively. Furthermore, setting JAK1=0 causes the τ^+ to decay into all four channels inclusively according to predefined branching ratios (see routine JAKER), and setting JAK1=-1 inhibits the decay completely. |
| <code>NPR(6)=JAK2</code> | The assignments of JAK2, for τ^- , are the same as of JAK1. |
| <code>NPR(7)=ITFIN</code> | This switch key allows to generate final state fermion pairs other than τ pairs. The τ pairs are produced with <code>ITFIN=1</code> , μ pairs with <code>ITFIN=2</code> . Mass of τ and μ is taken from the common block of TAUOLA. Quark pair may be produced with <code>ITFIN=501-506</code> . In this case quark mass is defined through <code>XPR(14)</code> see below. For <code>ITFIN > 1</code> the τ decay is automatically suppressed. |
| <code>NPR(8)=ITDRBC</code> | Dummy in the present version of the program. Switch for bremsstrahlung in the τ decay. |
| <code>XPR(1)=MZ</code> | Mass of the Z. |
| <code>XPR(4)=GV</code> | Vector coupling constant g_V and |
| <code>XPR(5)=AV</code> | axial coupling constant g_A of the τ to the W in the τ decay. Note that $g_V = 1$, $g_A = -1$ represent the standard V-A assignment. |
| <code>XPR(6)=SIF92</code> | $\sin^2 \theta_W$. It has to be assigned for <code>KEYGSW=1</code> . |
| <code>XPR(8)=ANNUA</code> | Mass of the ν_τ . To avoid rounding machine errors it has to be assigned a nonzero value. |
| <code>XPR(11)=IKO</code> | k_0 , soft/hard photon cut-off for the QED bremsstrahlung. Recommended value is $k_0 \approx 0.005$. |
| <code>XPR(14)=ANF13</code> | Mass of the final state quarks. Dummy parameter for <code>ITFIN=1</code> or <code>ITFIN=2</code> . |
| <code>XPR(1), NPR(1)</code> | All other entries in the XPR and NPR matrices are dummy. |

3. The most important modifications of the program.

Modifications of subprograms:

- (1) Subroutine KORALB is added to the program. It is the user interface routine.
- (2) Subroutine START is replaced by the STARR routine. Its basic function is the same, but the list of parameters is different
CALL STARR(EBE, AMFIN, IDE, IDF, ANZ, SINW2, INRAM, IKO). The parameters denote respectively: beam energy and final state (τ) mass (in GeV), electron beam and final state coupling constants identifiers (ID=2,3,4 denote respectively lepton, up and down type quarks) Z mass (GeV), $\sin^2\theta_W$, initialization constant for the random number generator and minimal photon energy (in the beam energy units).
- (3) Subroutine FINISH is replaced by the FINISB. Its basic function is the same, but another output parameter ERREL is added. It denotes relative statistical error on the total cross section calculated from the generated sample.
- (4) Subroutines DECAY, DECTAU, RAW2 are removed.
- (5) Subroutine EVENT is renamed EVENTS.
- (6) Subroutine SETWS is replaced by SETGUP, it calculates coupling constants of a given fermion to γ, Z . It does not calculate the Z mass and width anymore.
- (7) In subroutine TRALD4 additional output parameter are added. They denote respectively boosted four-momentum and its invariant mass.

Modifications of common blocks:

- (8) Common DECPP is removed, instead common LUJETS of the LUND program, version 6.3 has to be used.
- (9) Common CTRL is modified. Variable ISPIN is added. It defines whether the spin correlations between τ^+ and τ^- are included or not (ISPIN=1/0).
- (10) Commons UTIL4, UTIL8 are simply single and double precision copies of the unmodified common UTIL.
- (11) In the new common block BEAMS the 4-momenta of the positron and electron beams XPB1(4), XPB2(4) and their LUND identifiers KF1, KF2 are stored.
- (12) Common JAK is replaced by the common JAKI. The description of common blocks JAKI, IDFC, DECPAR, PARWAS, TAUBRA is given in [3]. They contain additional input data necessary to initialize TAUOLA.

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