

# Pair production and correlated decay of heavy Majorana neutrinos in $e^+e^-$ collisions

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We consider the process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2$ , where  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are heavy Majorana particles, with relative  $CP$  given by  $\eta_{CP} = +1$  or  $-1$ , decaying subsequently via  $N_{1,2} \rightarrow W^\pm e^\mp$ . We derive the energy and angle correlation of the dilepton final state, both for like-sign ( $e^\pm e^\pm$ ) and unlike-sign ( $e^- e^+$ ) configurations. Interesting differences are found between the cases  $\eta_{CP} = +1$  and  $-1$ . The characteristics of unlike-sign  $e^+e^-$  dileptons originating from a Majorana pair  $N_1N_2$  are contrasted with those arising from the reaction  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N} \rightarrow W^+e^-W^-e^+$ , where  $N\bar{N}$  is a Dirac particle-antiparticle pair. [S0556-2821(96)04015-5]

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## I. INTRODUCTION

In an interesting paper [1], Kogo and Tsai have analyzed the reaction  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2$ , where  $N_{1,2}$  are heavy Majorana neutrinos, and compared the cases where the relative  $CP$  of  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  is  $\eta_{CP} = +1$  and  $-1$ . It was found that the two cases differ in threshold behavior, in angular distribution, and in the dependence on the spin directions of  $N_1$  and  $N_2$ . A comparison was also made between the Majorana process and the Dirac process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N}$ , where  $N\bar{N}$  is a Dirac particle-antiparticle pair. A related analysis was carried out in Ref. [2]. [The contrast between Majorana neutrinos and Dirac neutrinos has been the subject of several other papers (e.g. [3–6]), and monographs [7,8].]

In the present paper, we examine how the differences between the cases  $\eta_{CP} = +1$  and  $-1$  propagate to the decay products of  $N_1$  and  $N_2$ , assuming the decays to take place via  $N_{1,2} \rightarrow W^\pm e^\mp$ . We focus on the like-sign lepton pair created in the reaction chain  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2 \rightarrow W^+e^-W^+e^-$ , which is a characteristic signature of Majorana pair production. We derive, in particular, the correlation in the energies of the  $e^-e^-$  pair, and in their angles relative to the  $e^+e^-$  axis. Interesting differences are found between the cases  $\eta_{CP} = +1$  and  $-1$ . We also examine the behavior of the unlike-sign dileptons  $e^+e^-$ , comparing the Majorana cases with dileptons created in the production and decay of a Dirac  $N\bar{N}$  pair, i.e.,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N} \rightarrow W^+e^-W^-e^+$ .

## II. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE REACTION $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2$

The analysis of Ref. [1] was carried out in the context of the simple production mechanism for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2$ , shown in Fig. 1, and we begin by recapitulating the essential results. The interaction Lagrangian is taken to be

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_1(x) = & -\frac{g}{2\cos\theta_W} [\bar{e}(x)\gamma_\mu(c_V - c_A\gamma_5)e(x) \\ & + \alpha_N \bar{N}_1(x)\gamma_\mu \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5)N_2(x) \\ & + \alpha_N \bar{N}_2(x)\gamma_\mu \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5)N_1(x)] Z^\mu(x), \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

where  $c_V$ ,  $c_A$ , and  $\alpha_N$  may be regarded as real phenomenological parameters. (For the standard  $Z$  boson,  $c_V = -1/2 + 2\sin^2\theta_W$ ,  $c_A = -1/2$ .) The matrix element for Majorana neutrinos (with momenta and spins as indicated in Fig. 1) is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_m = & -i\alpha_N \left( \frac{g}{2\cos\theta_W} \right)^2 j_\mu^e \Delta_Z^{\mu\nu} [\bar{u}_{t_1}(q_1)\gamma_\nu \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5) \\ & \times v_{t_2}(q_2)\lambda_2 - \bar{u}_{t_2}(q_2)\gamma_\nu \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5)v_{t_1}(q_1)\lambda_1], \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

where

$$j_\mu^e = \bar{v}_{s_2}(p_2)\gamma_\mu(c_V - c_A\gamma_5)u_{s_1}(p_1) \quad (2.3)$$

and

$$\Delta_Z^{\mu\nu} = \frac{g^{\mu\nu} - q^\mu q^\nu / m_Z^2}{q^2 - m_Z^2 + im_Z\Gamma_Z}. \quad (2.4)$$

Assuming  $CP$  invariance, the factors  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  in Eq. (2.2) are such that  $\lambda_1\lambda_2^* = +1(-1)$  when  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  have the same (opposite)  $CP$  parity [9]. Rewriting the second term in Eq. (2.2) as

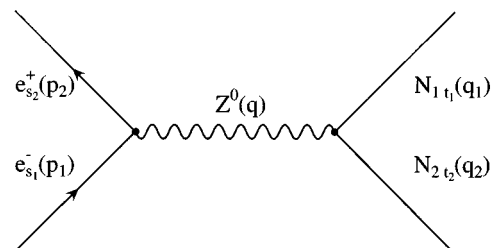


FIG. 1. Feynman diagram for the reaction  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2$ .

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$$\bar{u}_{t_2}(q_2)\gamma_{\nu}^{\frac{1}{2}}(1-\gamma_5)v_{t_1}(q_1)=\bar{u}_{t_1}(q_1)\gamma_{\nu}^{\frac{1}{2}}(1+\gamma_5)v_{t_2}(q_2), \quad (2.5)$$

we observe that the current of the Majorana neutrinos is pure axial vector when  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  have the same  $CP$  parity ( $\eta_{CP}=\lambda_1\lambda_2^* = +1$ ), and pure vector when they have opposite  $CP$  ( $\eta_{CP}=\lambda_1\lambda_2^* = -1$ ). In comparison, the matrix element for the Dirac process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N}$  is

$$\mathcal{M}_d = -i\alpha_N \left( \frac{g}{2\cos\theta_W} \right)^2 j_{\mu}^e \Delta_Z^{\mu\nu} \bar{u}_{t_1}(q_1)\gamma_{\nu}^{\frac{1}{2}}(1-\gamma_5)v_{t_2}(q_2). \quad (2.6)$$

The differential cross section for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2$ , for general masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  and for arbitrary polarizations  $\vec{n}$  and  $\vec{n}'$  of the two neutrinos, is given in the Appendix. In Sec. V we compare our formulas with those of Ref. [1], and with special cases treated in other papers. Here, we specialize to the case  $m_1=m_2=m_N$ , for which the cross section ( $d\sigma/d\Omega$ ) in the cases  $\eta_{CP} = +1$  and  $-1$  is

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_+ = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_0 \beta^3 \{ f_1 [(n_y n'_y - n_x n'_x) S^2 + (1+n_z n'_z)(1+C^2)] - f_2 2(n_z + n'_z) C \}, \quad (2.7)$$

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_- = \sigma_0 \beta (f_1 \{ 2 - \beta^2 + C^2 \beta^2 + n_z n'_z [\beta^2 + C^2(1/\gamma^2 + 1)] + n_x n'_x S^2(1/\gamma^2 + 1) - n_y n'_y S^2 \beta^2 + (n_x n'_z + n'_x n_z) 2SC/\gamma^2 \} - f_2 \{ 2(n_x + n'_x) S/\gamma^2 + 2(n_z + n'_z) C \}). \quad (2.8)$$

For comparison, the differential cross section of the Dirac process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N}$  is

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_d = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_0 \beta \{ f_1 [(1+C^2\beta^2) - (n_z + n'_z)\beta(1+C^2) - (n_x + n'_x)SC\beta/\gamma + n_z n'_z(C^2 + \beta^2) + (n_x n'_z + n_z n'_x)SC/\gamma + n_x n'_x S^2/\gamma^2] + f_2 [2C\beta - (n_z + n'_z)C(1+\beta^2) - (n_x + n'_x)S/\gamma + 2n_z n'_z C\beta + (n_x n'_z + n'_x n_z)S\beta/\gamma] \}. \quad (2.9)$$

The symbols in Eqs. (2.7)–(2.9) are defined as

$$\sigma_0 = \frac{G_F^2 \alpha_N^2}{512\pi^2} \left| \frac{m_Z^2}{s - m_Z^2 + im_Z \Gamma_Z} \right|^2 s, \quad \beta = (1 - 4m_N^2/s)^{1/2},$$

$$\gamma = (1 - \beta^2)^{-1/2}, \quad C = \cos\theta, \quad S = \sin\theta,$$

$$f_1 = 2(c_V^2 + c_A^2), \quad f_2 = 4c_V c_A, \quad (2.10)$$

$\theta$  being the scattering angle of  $N_1$  (or  $N$ ) with respect to the initial  $e^-$  direction. The coordinate axes are defined so that

the momentum and spin vectors of  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  in the  $e^+e^-$  c.m. frame have the components

$$q_1^{\mu} = (\gamma m, 0, 0, \gamma \beta m), \quad t_1^{\mu} = (\gamma \beta n_z, n_x, n_y, \gamma n_z),$$

$$q_2^{\mu} = (\gamma m, 0, 0, -\gamma \beta m), \quad t_2^{\mu} = (-\gamma \beta n'_z, n'_x, n'_y, \gamma n'_z). \quad (2.11)$$

Inspection of Eqs. (2.7)–(2.9) reveals several interesting features.

(a) The Majorana cases “+” and “−” have different dependences on the spin vectors  $\vec{n}$  and  $\vec{n}'$ , and different angular distributions, even after the spins  $\vec{n}$  and  $\vec{n}'$  are summed over. These differences stem from the fact that the matrix element  $\mathcal{M}_m$  in Eq. (2.2) effectively involves an axial-vector current  $\bar{N}_1 \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 N_2$  when  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2^* = +1$  and a vector current  $\bar{N}_1 \gamma_{\mu} N_2$  when  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2^* = -1$ .

(b) The Majorana cases “+” and “−” differ from the Dirac case “d,” in which the current of the  $N\bar{N}$  pair has a  $V-A$  structure  $\bar{N} \gamma_{\mu}^{\frac{1}{2}}(1-\gamma_5)N$ . This difference persists even if the spins of the heavy neutrinos are summed over, in which case

$$\sum_{n, n'} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_+ = 2\sigma_0 \beta^3 [f_1(1+C^2)],$$

$$\sum_{n, n'} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_- = 4\sigma_0 \beta [f_1(2 - \beta^2 + C^2 \beta^2)], \quad (2.12)$$

$$\sum_{n, n'} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_d = 2\sigma_0 \beta [f_1(1+C^2\beta^2) + f_2(2C\beta)].$$

Whereas the spin-averaged Majorana cross sections are forward-backward symmetric, the Dirac process has a term linear in  $\cos\theta$ , with a coefficient proportional to  $f_2 = 4c_V c_A$ . Equation (2.12) also shows that the threshold behavior is  $\beta^3$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\beta$  for the cases “+,” “−,” and “d,” respectively. In the asymptotic limit  $\beta \rightarrow 1$ , the Majorana cases “+” and “−” have the same angular distribution  $(1+C^2)$ , distinct from that of the Dirac process.

(c) In the high energy limit  $\beta \rightarrow 1$ , the Dirac process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N}$  has a spin dependence given by

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_d = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_0 \beta [1 - (n_z + n'_z) + n_z n'_z] [f_1(1+C^2) + 2f_2 C]. \quad (2.13)$$

The fact that only the longitudinal components ( $n_z$  and  $n'_z$ ) of the  $N, \bar{N}$  spins appear in this expression is consistent with the expectation that relativistic Dirac neutrinos are eigenstates of helicity. The fact that the cross section (2.13) vanishes when  $n_z = -1$ ,  $n'_z = +1$  confirms the expectation that for a  $V-A$  current the  $N$  and  $\bar{N}$  are produced in left-handed and right-handed states, respectively. By comparison, the Majorana processes  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2$ , for  $\eta_{CP} = +1$  and  $-1$ , have the high energy behavior ( $\beta \rightarrow 1$ )

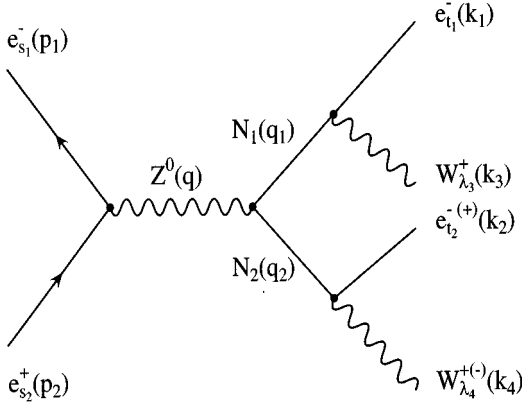


FIG. 2. Diagram showing the sequential process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2 \rightarrow e^\pm e^\mp W^+W^+$ .

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_+ = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_0 \{f_1[(1+C^2)(1+n_z n'_z) + S^2(n_y n'_y - n_x n'_x)] - 2f_2 C(n_z + n'_z)\}, \quad (2.14)$$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_- = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_0 \{f_1[(1+C^2)(1+n_z n'_z) + S^2(n_x n'_x - n_y n'_y)] - 2f_2 C(n_z + n'_z)\}. \quad (2.15)$$

Contrary to the Dirac case, the Majorana reactions have an explicit dependence on  $n_x$ ,  $n_y$  and  $n'_x$ ,  $n'_y$ , reflecting the fact that a relativistic Majorana particle with  $m_N \neq 0$  is *not* necessarily an eigenstate of helicity, and can have a spin pointing in an arbitrary direction. The Majorana cases “+” and “-” differ in the sign of the term proportional to  $S^2$ , which contains the transverse ( $x$  and  $y$ ) components of the neutrino spins. It is with the purpose of exposing the subtle differences in the spin state of the  $N_1N_2$  and  $N\bar{N}$  systems that we investigate in the following sections the dilepton final state created by the decays of the heavy neutrinos via  $N_{1,2} \rightarrow W^\pm e^\mp$  and  $N(\bar{N}) \rightarrow W^+ e^- (W^- e^+)$ .

### III. LIKE-SIGN DILEPTONS: THE REACTION

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2 \rightarrow W^+W^+e^-e^-$$

As seen in the preceding, the spin state and the angular distribution of the Majorana pair produced in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2$

depends on the relative  $CP$  parity  $\eta_{CP}$  of the two particles. We wish to see how these differences manifest themselves in the decay products of  $N_1$  and  $N_2$ . To this end, we assume that  $m_N > m_W$ , and that the simplest decay mechanism is  $N_{1,2} \rightarrow W^\pm e^\pm$ . In particular, the reaction sequence  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2 \rightarrow W^+W^+e^-e^-$  leads to the appearance of two like-sign leptons in the final state, an unmistakable signature of Majorana pair production. (For the purpose of this paper we assume that the  $W$  bosons decay into quark jets, thus avoiding the complications of final states with three or four charged leptons.)

We have calculated the amplitude of the process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2 \rightarrow W^+W^+e^-e^-$ , depicted in Fig. 2, assuming a decay interaction ( $\alpha'_N$  and  $\alpha''_N$  being real parameters)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_2(x) = & -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} [\alpha'_N \bar{e}(x) \gamma_\mu \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) N_1(x) W^{\mu-}(x) \\ & + \alpha'_N \bar{N}_1(x) \gamma_\mu \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) e(x) W^{\mu+}(x) \\ & + \alpha''_N \bar{e}(x) \gamma_\mu \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) N_2(x) W^{\mu-}(x) \\ & + \alpha''_N \bar{N}_2(x) \gamma_\mu \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) e(x) W^{\mu+}(x)]. \quad (3.1) \end{aligned}$$

This amplitude has the form (see Appendix for details)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M} = & iA J_\mu^e \Delta_Z^{\mu\nu} \frac{1}{q_1^2 - m_1^2 + im_1\Gamma_1} \frac{1}{q_2^2 - m_2^2 + im_2\Gamma_2} \\ & \times [m_2 \lambda_2 \bar{u}_{t_1}(k_1) \gamma_\rho \not{q}_1 \gamma_\nu \gamma_\sigma \frac{1}{2} (1 + \gamma_5) v_{t_2}(k_2) \\ & - m_1 \lambda_1 \bar{u}_{t_2}(k_2) \gamma_\sigma \not{q}_2 \gamma_\nu \gamma_\rho \frac{1}{2} (1 + \gamma_5) v_{t_1}(k_1)] \\ & \times \epsilon_{\lambda_3}^{*\rho}(k_3) \epsilon_{\lambda_4}^{*\sigma}(k_4), \quad (3.2) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$A = \alpha_N \alpha'_N \alpha''_N \frac{g^4}{8\cos^2\theta_W}. \quad (3.3)$$

Using the narrow-width approximation for the  $N_1$ ,  $N_2$  propagators, and specializing to the case  $m_1 = m_2 = m_N$ , we obtain the following expression for the squared matrix element (summed over final and averaged over initial spins), the subscript in  $\mathcal{M}_\pm$  denoting  $\eta_{CP} = \pm 1$  ( $q = p_1 + p_2$ ,  $l = p_1 - p_2$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} |\overline{\mathcal{M}_\pm}|^2 = & \frac{|A|^2}{2} \frac{1}{(s - m_N^2)^2} \frac{\pi}{m_N \Gamma_N} \delta(q_1^2 - m_N^2) \frac{\pi}{m_N \Gamma_N} \delta(q_2^2 - m_N^2) \frac{m_N^2}{m_W^4} \{f_1 \{ \mp (m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 (m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2 s \mp 4(m_N^2 \\ & - 2m_W^2)^2 [s(k_1 k_2)(q_1 q_2) - s(k_1 q_2)(k_2 q_1) - (k_1 k_2)(q_1 q)(q_2 q) + (k_1 k_2)(q_1 l)(q_2 l) + (k_1 q_2)(k_2 q)(q_1 q) \\ & - (k_1 q_2)(k_2 l)(q_1 l) + (k_1 q)(k_2 q_1)(q_2 q) - (k_1 l)(k_2 q_1)(q_2 l) - (k_1 q)(k_2 q)(q_1 q_2) + (k_1 l)(k_2 l)(q_1 q_2) \\ & \pm m_N^2((k_1 q)(k_2 q) - (k_1 l)(k_2 l))] + 2(m_N^2 - m_W^2)(m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 [(k_1 q)(q_2 q) - (k_1 l)(q_2 l) + (k_2 q)(q_1 q) - (k_2 l) \\ & \times (q_1 l)] + 8m_W^2(m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 [(q_1 q)(q_2 q) - (q_1 l)(q_2 l)]\} - 2f_2(m_N^2 - m_W^2)(m_N^4 - 4m_W^4) [\pm (k_1 q)(q_1 l) \\ & - (k_1 q)(q_2 l) \mp (k_1 l)(q_1 q) + (k_1 l)(q_2 q) \pm (k_2 q)(q_2 l) - (k_2 q)(q_1 l) \mp (k_2 l)(q_2 q) + (k_2 l)(q_1 q)]. \quad (3.4) \end{aligned}$$

$e^-e^-$  Final State: Energy Correlation

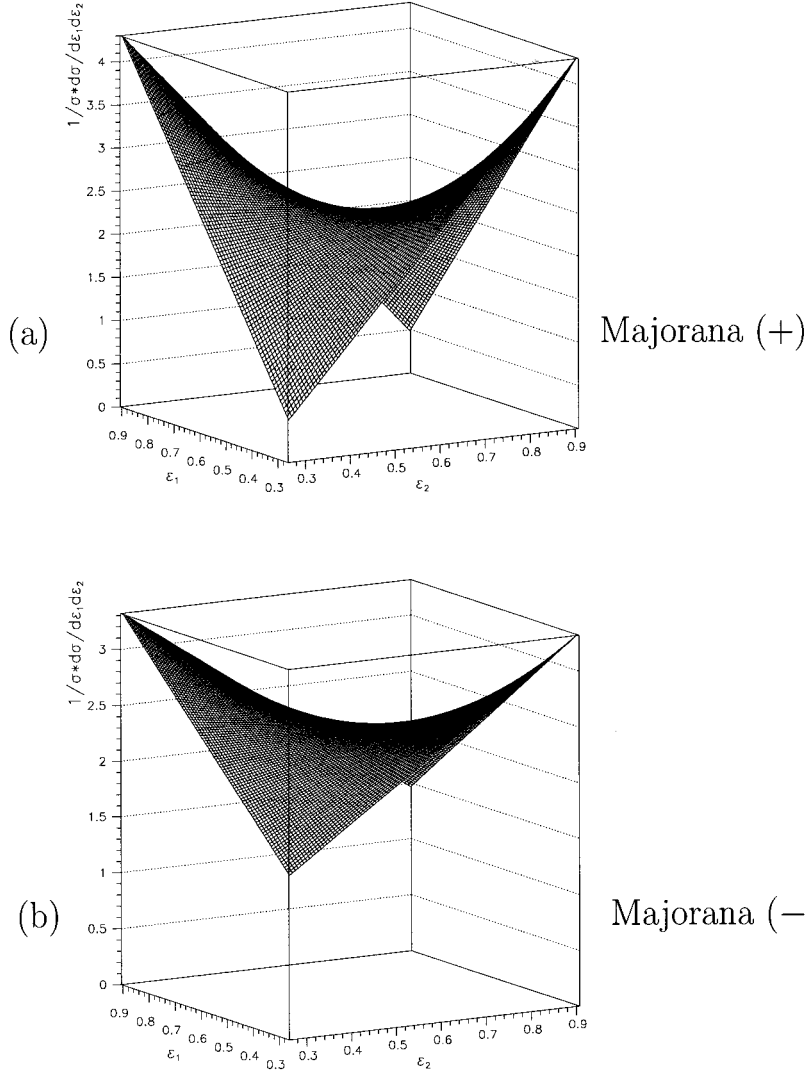


FIG. 3. Energy correlation of the  $e^-e^-$  lepton pair in the reaction  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2 \rightarrow e^- W^+ e^- W^+$ , for the cases (a)  $\eta_{CP} = +1$ , (b)  $\eta_{CP} = -1$ . (Parameters for this and succeeding figures:  $\sqrt{s} = 1.2$  TeV,  $m_N = 500$  GeV.)

If the final state is  $e^+e^+$  instead of  $e^-e^-$ , we replace  $f_2 \rightarrow -f_2$  in the above equation.

The expression for  $|\mathcal{M}_\pm|^2$  can be integrated over the phase space of the two  $W^+$ 's (i.e., over the momenta  $k_3 (= q_1 - k_1)$  and  $k_4 (= q_2 - k_2)$ , in order to obtain the spectra in the lepton variables  $k_1$  and  $k_2$ . Defining the four-vectors  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  in the  $e^+e^-$  c.m. frame by

$$k_1^\mu = E_1(1, \sin\theta_1 \cos\phi_1, \sin\theta_1 \sin\phi_1, \cos\theta_1),$$

$$k_2^\mu = E_2(1, \sin\theta_2 \cos\phi_2, \sin\theta_2 \sin\phi_2, \cos\theta_2), \quad (3.5)$$

we have been able to derive the correlated distribution of the energies  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , as well as the correlation of the variables  $\cos\theta_1$  and  $\cos\theta_2$  measured relative to the  $e^-$  beam direction.

### A. Energy correlation

The normalized spectrum in the energies of the dilepton pair  $e^-e^-$  is ( $\mathcal{E}_{1,2} = E_{1,2}/m_N$ )

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{E}_1 d\mathcal{E}_2} \right) = \mathcal{N} [a + b(\mathcal{E}_1 + \mathcal{E}_2) + c(\mathcal{E}_1 + \mathcal{E}_2)^2 - c(\mathcal{E}_1 - \mathcal{E}_2)^2], \quad (3.6)$$

where  $\mathcal{N}$  is a normalization factor,

$$\mathcal{N} = [\mathcal{W}^2 \beta^2 (a + b\mathcal{W} + c\mathcal{W}^2)]^{-1}, \quad (3.7)$$

with  $\mathcal{W} = \sqrt{s}(m_N^2 - m_W^2)/2m_N^3$ ,  $\beta = (1 - 4m_N^2/s)^{1/2}$ . The coefficients  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  depend on the relative  $CP$  of the  $N_1 N_2$  system, and take the values

$$a^+ = m_N^2 m_W^2 (m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 \left( 2s - \frac{(m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2}{2m_N^2} \right),$$

$$b^+ = \sqrt{s} m_N^3 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 (m_N^2 - m_W^2), \quad (3.8)$$

$$c^+ = -m_N^6 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2,$$

$$a^- = 2m_W^2 (m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 \left( s(s - 2m_N^2) - \frac{m_N^2}{m_W^2} (m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2 \right),$$

$$b^- = \sqrt{s} m_N (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 (m_N^2 - m_W^2) (s - 2m_N^2) \quad (3.9)$$

$$c^- = -m_N^4 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 (s - 2m_N^2).$$

Notice that the ratios  $b^+/a^+$  and  $b^-/a^-$  are unequal (likewise the ratios  $c^+/a^+$  and  $c^-/a^-$ ), although

$b^+/c^+ = b^-/c^-$ . Thus, the energy correlation of the two electrons in the final state is different for the cases  $\eta_{CP} = \pm 1$ . This is illustrated in Fig. 3 for the hypothetical parameters  $m_N = 500$  GeV,  $\sqrt{s} = 1200$  GeV. It may be noted that the factor  $f_2 = 4c_V c_A$  does not appear in the spectrum ( $d\sigma/d\mathcal{E}_1 d\mathcal{E}_2$ ), so that the energy correlation of  $e^+e^+$  dileptons is the same as that of  $e^-e^-$ . In the limit  $\beta \rightarrow 1$ , the term  $a^\pm$  dominates and the “+” and “-” cases are no more distinguishable.

### B. Angular correlation

Equation (3.4) also allows a calculation of the correlated angular distribution of the final state  $e^-e^-$  system. Defining the angles  $\theta_{1,2}$  as in Eq. (3.5), and integrating over all other variables, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2} \right)^\pm &\sim \beta \int d\cos\theta_N \left\{ f_1 \left[ \mp (m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2 s \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} + (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 s \left[ \pm \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (\cos\theta_N \beta - \cos\theta_1) (\cos\theta_N \beta \right. \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \left. + \cos\theta_2) + \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} (1 + \beta \cos\theta_N \cos\theta_1) + \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (1 - \beta \cos\theta_N \cos\theta_2) \right] + 2m_W^2 s^2 \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} (1 + \cos^2\theta_N \beta^2) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - 4m_N^2 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (1 - \cos\theta_1 \cos\theta_2) \right\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + f_2 2(m_N^4 - 4m_W^4) s \left[ \begin{array}{ll} \cos\theta_N \beta (\mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} - \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2}) & : \quad + \\ \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} \cos\theta_1 + \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} \cos\theta_2 & : \quad - \end{array} \right] \right\}, \quad (3.10) \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_{1(2)}} = \frac{2A_{1(2)}}{(A_{1(2)}^2 - B_{1(2)}^2)^{3/2}}, \quad \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_{1(2)}} = \frac{2A_{1(2)}^2 + B_{1(2)}^2}{(A_{1(2)}^2 - B_{1(2)}^2)^{5/2}}, \quad (3.11)$$

$$A_{1(2)} = 1 - (+)\beta \cos\theta_N \cos\theta_{1(2)}, \quad B_{1(2)} = \beta \sin\theta_N \sin\theta_{1(2)}.$$

The correlation (3.10) has been evaluated for  $m_N = 500$  GeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 1200$  GeV (using  $f_1 = 1 + 4\sin^2\theta_W + 8\sin^4\theta_W$ ,  $f_2 = 1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W$ ) and is plotted in Fig. 4. There is a clear difference between the cases  $\eta_{CP} = \pm 1$ . The angular correlation in Eq. (3.10) becomes particularly transparent near the threshold  $\beta \rightarrow 0$ , where we obtain the analytic results

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sigma^\pm} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2} \right)_{\beta \rightarrow 0}^+ &\approx \frac{1}{4} \left[ 1 + \frac{f_2}{2} \frac{m_N^2 - 2m_W^2}{f_1 m_N^2 + 2m_W^2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times (\cos\theta_1 + \cos\theta_2) \right], \quad (3.12) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sigma^-} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2} \right)_{\beta \rightarrow 0}^- &\approx \frac{1}{4} \left[ 1 + \frac{(m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2}{(m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2} \cos\theta_1 \cos\theta_2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{f_2}{f_1} \frac{(m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)}{(m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times (\cos\theta_1 + \cos\theta_2) \right]. \quad (3.13) \end{aligned}$$

Notice that the distributions in the variables  $\cos\theta_1$  and  $\cos\theta_2$  become flat in the case  $\eta_{CP} = +1$  when  $f_2/f_1$  is neglected. By contrast, there remains a nontrivial correlation for  $\eta_{CP} = -1$ , even in the absence of  $f_2$ . As before, the above results for  $e^-e^-$  hold for  $e^+e^+$  if one replaces  $f_2 \rightarrow -f_2$ .

### IV. UNLIKE-SIGN DILEPTONS: THE REACTION

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2 \rightarrow W^+ W^- e^+ e^-$$

Proceeding as in Sec. III, the matrix element for the reaction  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2 \rightarrow W^+ W^- e^+ e^-$  (Fig. 2) is

$e^-e^-$  Final State: Angular Correlation

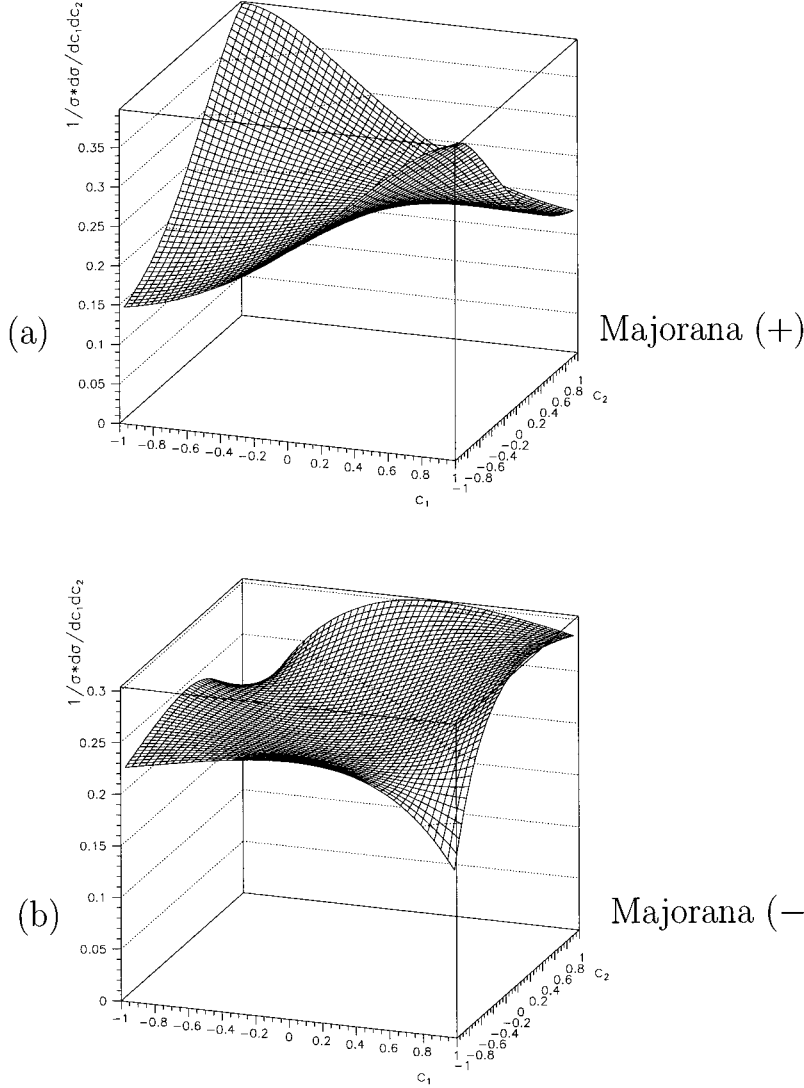


FIG. 4. Angle correlation of  $e^-e^-$  dileptons in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2 \rightarrow e^- W^+ e^- W^+$ , for (a)  $\eta_{CP} = +1$ , (b)  $\eta_{CP} = -1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{M}_m &= iA j_\mu^e \Delta_Z^{\mu\nu} \frac{1}{q_1^2 - m_1^2 + im_1 \Gamma_1} \frac{1}{q_2^2 - m_2^2 + im_2 \Gamma_2} \\
 &\times [\lambda_2 \bar{u}_{t_1}(k_1) \gamma_\rho \not{q}_1 \gamma_\nu \not{q}_2 \gamma_\sigma \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) v_{t_2}(k_2) \\
 &+ \lambda_1 m_1 m_2 \bar{u}_{t_1}(k_1) \gamma_\rho \gamma_\nu \gamma_\sigma \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) v_{t_2}(k_2)] \\
 &\times \epsilon_{\lambda_3}^{*\rho}(k_3) \epsilon_{\lambda_4}^{*\sigma}(k_4). \tag{4.1}
 \end{aligned}$$

The same final state, produced via a Dirac particle-antiparticle pair ( $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N} \rightarrow W^+W^-e^+e^-$ ), has the amplitude

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{M}_d &= iA j_\mu^e \Delta_Z^{\mu\nu} \frac{1}{q_1^2 - m_1^2 + im_1 \Gamma_1} \frac{1}{q_2^2 - m_2^2 + im_2 \Gamma_2} \\
 &\times \bar{u}_{t_1}(k_1) \gamma_\rho \not{q}_1 \gamma_\nu \not{q}_2 \gamma_\sigma \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) v_{t_2}(k_2) \\
 &\times \epsilon_{\lambda_3}^{*\rho}(k_3) \epsilon_{\lambda_4}^{*\sigma}(k_4). \tag{4.2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Summing (averaging) over final (initial) polarizations, and using the narrow-width approximation for the  $N_1, N_2$  propagators, we obtain the squared matrix elements

$e^+e^-$  Final State: Energy Correlation

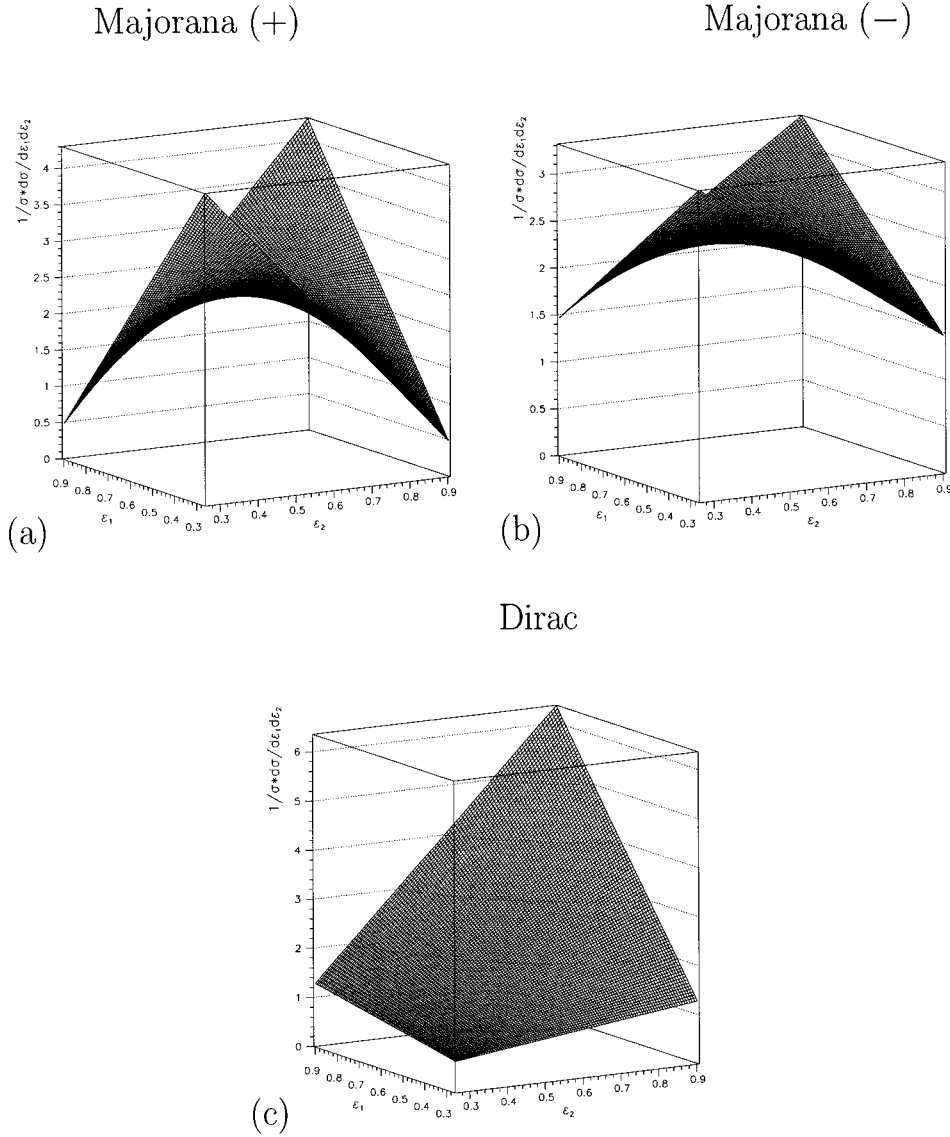


FIG. 5. Energy correlation of  $e^-e^+$  dileptons in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1N_2 \rightarrow e^-W^+e^+W^-$ : (a) Majorana pair,  $\eta_{CP} = +1$ , (b) Majorana pair,  $\eta_{CP} = -1$ , (c) Dirac  $N\bar{N}$ -pair.

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\pm}|^2 = & \frac{|A|^2}{2} \frac{1}{(s-m_Z^2)^2} \frac{\pi}{m_N \Gamma_N} \delta(q_1^2 - m_N^2) \frac{\pi}{m_N \Gamma_N} \delta(q_2^2 - m_N^2) \frac{m_N^2}{m_W^4} (f_1 \{ \mp (m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 (m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2 s \pm 4(m_N^2 \\
 & - 2m_W^2)^2 [s(k_1k_2)(q_1q_2) - s(k_1q_2)(k_2q_1) - (k_1k_2)(q_1q)(q_2q) + (k_1k_2)(q_1l)(q_2l) + (k_1q_2)(k_2q)(q_1q) - (k_1q_2) \\
 & \times (k_2l)(q_1l) + (k_1q)(k_2q_1)(q_2q) - (k_1l)(k_2q_1)(q_2l) - (k_1q)(k_2q)(q_1q_2) + (k_1l)(k_2l)(q_1q_2) \pm m_N^2((k_1q)(k_2q) \\
 & - (k_1l)(k_2l))] - 2(m_N^2 - m_W^2)(m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 [(k_1q)(q_2q) - (k_1l)(q_2l) + (k_2q)(q_1q) - (k_2l)(q_1l)] + 2(m_N^2 \\
 & + 4m_W^2/m_N^2)(m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 [(q_1q)(q_2q) - (q_1l)(q_2l)] \} - 2f_2 \{ (m_N^2 - m_W^2)(m_N^4 - 4m_W^4) [\pm (k_1q)(q_1l) - (k_1q)(q_2l) \\
 & \mp (k_1l)(q_1q) + (k_1l)(q_2q) \mp (k_2q)(q_2l) + (k_2q)(q_1l) \pm (k_2l)(q_2q) - (k_2l)(q_1q)] + 2(m_N^2 + 4m_W^4/m_N^2)(m_N^2 \\
 & - m_W^2)^2 [(q_1q)(q_2l) - (q_2q)(q_1l)] \} \}, \tag{4.3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|\overline{\mathcal{M}}_d|^2 = & |A|^2 \frac{1}{(s-m_W^2)^2} \frac{\pi}{m_N \Gamma_N} \delta(q_1^2 - m_N^2) \frac{\pi}{m_N \Gamma_N} \delta(q_2^2 - m_N^2) \left\{ f_1 \left( \frac{m_N^4}{m_W^4} (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 [(k_1 q)(k_2 q) - (k_1 l)(k_2 l)] \right. \right. \\
& + 2 \frac{m_N^2}{m_W^2} (m_N^2 - m_W^2) (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2) [(k_1 q)(q_2 q) - (k_1 l)(q_2 l) + (k_2 q)(q_1 q) - (k_2 l)(q_1 l)] + 4(m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 [(q_1 q)(q_2 q) \\
& \left. \left. - (q_1 l)(q_2 l)] \right) + f_2 \left( \frac{m_N^4}{m_W^4} (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 [(q_1 q)(k_2 l) - (k_2 q)(k_1 l)] + 2 \frac{m_N^2}{m_W^2} (m_N^2 - m_W^2) (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2) [(k_1 q)(q_2 l) \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. - (k_2 q)(q_1 l) + (q_1 q)(k_2 l) - (q_2 q)(k_1 l)] + 4(m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 [(q_1 q)(q_2 l) - (q_2 q)(q_1 l)] \right) \right\}. \quad (4.4)
\end{aligned}$$

In complete analogy with the discussion of like-sign leptons (Sec. III), we derive from the above equations the correlation in the energies and angles of the final  $e^+e^-$  state.

### A. Energy correlation

The distribution in the scaled energies  $\mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{E}_2$  has the quadratic form given in Eq. (3.6), where the coefficients in the Majorana cases ‘‘+’’ and ‘‘-’’ and the Dirac case ‘‘d’’ now have the values

$$\begin{aligned}
a^+ &= \frac{1}{2} m_N^2 (m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 \left( \frac{s}{m_N^2} (m_N^4 + 4m_W^4) - 2(m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2 \right), \\
b^+ &= -\sqrt{s} m_N^3 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 (m_N^2 - m_W^2), \\
c^+ &= m_N^6 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2, \\
a^- &= \frac{1}{2} m_N^2 (m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 \left[ s(s - 2m_N^2) \left( 1 + 4 \frac{m_W^4}{m_N^4} \right) \right. \\
& \left. - 4(m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2 \right], \\
b^- &= -\sqrt{s} m_N (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 (m_N^2 - m_W^2) (s - 2m_N^2), \\
c^- &= m_N^4 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 (s - 2m_N^2), \quad (4.5)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
a^d &= (m_N^2 - m_W^2)^2 \left( 4(s - m_N^2)(s - 4m_N^2) \frac{m_W^4}{m_N^2} - (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2) \right. \\
& \left. \times [2(s - 4m_N^2)m_W^2 - m_N^2(m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)] \right), \\
b^d &= \sqrt{s} m_N (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2) (m_N^2 - m_W^2) [4sm_W^2 - (m_N^2 \\
& + 14m_W^2)m_N^2], \\
c^d &= m_N^4 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 (s - 3m_N^2).
\end{aligned}$$

The corresponding three distributions are plotted in Fig. 5. As in the case of like-sign dileptons, the  $e^+e^-$  pairs have distinct correlations for  $\eta_{CP} = \pm 1$ . A comparison of the Majorana cases with the Dirac case reveals an interesting difference. In the Majorana cases the total  $e^+e^-$  energy  $Y = \mathcal{E}_1 + \mathcal{E}_2$  is distributed symmetrically around the midpoint of this variable  $Y_0 = 1/2(Y_{\min} + Y_{\max})$ . By contrast,  $e^+e^-$  pairs resulting from Dirac  $N\bar{N}$  primary state have a total energy distribution that is unsymmetric around the midpoint.

### B. Angle correlation

In analogy to the distribution  $d\sigma/d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2$  obtained for  $e^-e^-$  pairs [Eq. (3.10)], the result for unlike-sign dileptons  $e^+e^-$  is

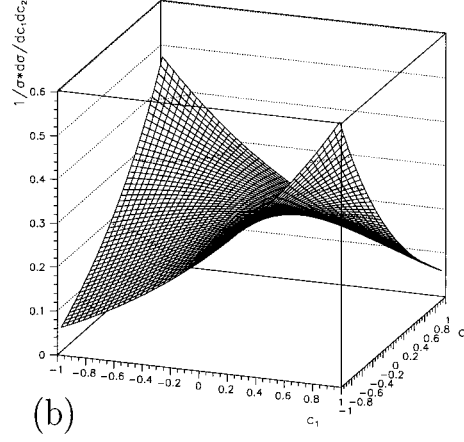
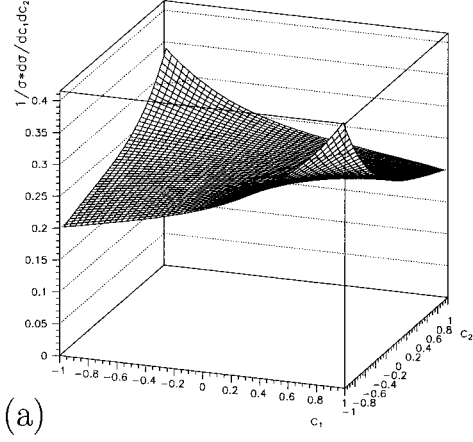
$$\begin{aligned}
\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2} \right)^\pm & \sim \beta \int d\cos\theta_N \left( f_1 \{ \mp 2m_N^2 (m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2 s \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} - 2m_N^2 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 s [ \pm \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (\cos\theta_N \beta - \cos\theta_1) \right. \\
& \times (\cos\theta_N \beta + \cos\theta_2) + \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} (1 + \beta \cos\theta_N \cos\theta_1) + \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (1 - \beta \cos\theta_N \cos\theta_2) ] \\
& + (m_N^4 + 4m_W^4) s^2 \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} (1 + \cos^2\theta_N \beta^2) + 8m_N^4 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (1 - \cos\theta_1 \cos\theta_2) \} \\
& \left. + f_2 2(m_N^4 - 4m_W^4) s \left\{ -\mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} s \cos\theta_N \beta + 2m_N^2 \begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta_N \beta (\mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} + \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2}) & : & + \\ \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} \cos\theta_1 - \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} \cos\theta_2 & : & - \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right), \quad (4.6)
\end{aligned}$$



$e^+e^-$  Final State: Angular Correlation

Majorana (+)

Majorana (-)



Dirac

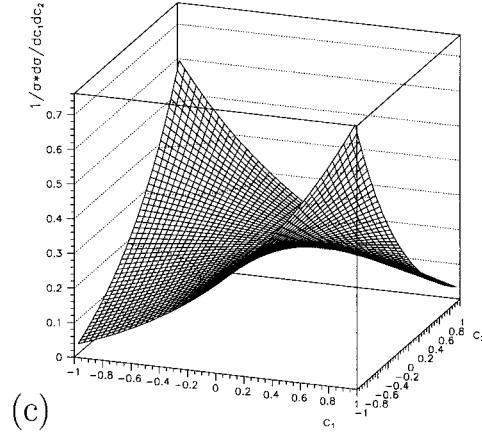


FIG. 6. Angle correlation of  $e^-e^+$  dileptons in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2 \rightarrow e^- W^+ e^+ W^-$ : (a) Majorana pair,  $\eta_{CP} = +1$ , (b) Majorana pair,  $\eta_{CP} = -1$ , (c) Dirac  $NN$ -pair.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2} \right)^d &\sim \beta \int d\cos\theta_N \{ f_1 [ s^2 m_W^4 \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} (1 + \cos\theta_N \beta^2) + m_N^2 m_W^2 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2) s [ \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (1 + \beta \cos\theta_N \cos\theta_1) \\
 &+ \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (1 - \beta \cos\theta_N \cos\theta_2) ] + m_N^4 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (1 - \cos\theta_1 \cos\theta_2) \} + f_2 \{ 2s^2 m_W^4 \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_2} \cos\theta_N \beta \\
 &+ m_N^2 m_W^2 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2) s [ \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (\cos\theta_N \beta + \cos\theta_1) + \mathcal{K}_1^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (\cos\theta_N \beta - \cos\theta_2) ] \\
 &+ m_N^4 (m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2 \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_1} \mathcal{K}_2^{\theta_2} (\cos\theta_1 - \cos\theta_2) \}. \tag{4.7}
 \end{aligned}$$

As usual, the indices “+,” “-,” and “d” differentiate between the Majorana cases  $\eta_{CP} = +1, -1$  and the Dirac case. The angle correlations expressed by Eqs. (4.6) and (4.7) are plotted in Fig. 6, where the differences between the three cases are

obvious. Close to threshold ( $\beta \rightarrow 0$ ), the correlation between  $\cos\theta_1$  and  $\cos\theta_2$  can be presented in analytic form

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^+} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2} \right)_{\beta \rightarrow 0}^+ \approx \frac{1}{4} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{f_2}{f_1} \frac{m_N^2 - 2m_W^2}{m_N^2 + 2m_W^2} \times (\cos\theta_1 - \cos\theta_2) \right], \quad (4.8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\sigma^d} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2} \right)_{\beta \rightarrow 0}^d \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^-} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_1 d\cos\theta_2} \right)_{\beta \rightarrow 0}^- \\ &\approx \frac{1}{4} \left[ 1 - \frac{(m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)^2}{(m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)^2} \cos\theta_1 \cos\theta_2 \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{f_2}{f_1} \frac{(m_N^2 - 2m_W^2)}{(m_N^2 + 2m_W^2)} (\cos\theta_1 - \cos\theta_2) \right]. \quad (4.9) \end{aligned}$$

In this limit, the cases “+” and “-” remain distinct, but the case  $\eta_{CP} = -1$  converges to the Dirac case.

## V. COMMENTS

We comment briefly on some other papers which have a partial overlap with the considerations presented above.

(i) Our discussion of the production reaction  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2$  follows very closely that given in Ref. [1]. Our results for  $d\sigma/d\Omega$  given in Appendix A [Eqs. (A1)–(A6)] essentially coincide with those in that paper, with two minor differences: The angular distributions for the case of two distinct Majorana particles with the same  $CP$  parity, as well as for the case of two distinct Dirac particles [Eqs. (4E) and (4D) in Ref. [1]], are slightly different from our distributions, presented in Appendix A [Eq. (A2) and (A3)].

(ii) The cross section for the Majorana process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2$ , with  $m_1 = m_2$  and  $\eta_{CP} = +1$  calculated in Ref. [2] agrees with that obtained in this paper. However, the Dirac case  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N\bar{N}$  [Eq. (2) of Ref. [2]] differs from our result [Eq. (A5)], as also noted in Ref. [1].

(iii) The spin-summed differential cross section for the Majorana process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2$  (with  $m_1 = m_2$ ,  $\eta_{CP} = +1$ ) calculated in the present paper, as well as in Refs. [1,2], differs from that given in Ref. [4], but agrees with the results given in Refs. [3,6,10].

(iv) Our analysis of heavy Majorana production and decay has been essentially model independent. Discussions in the context of specific gauge models, based on  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)$  or  $E(6)$  symmetries, may be found in Refs. [6,10,11].

### APPENDIX A: DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTION FOR $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2$

Following Ref. [1], we consider the following five cases, where  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are

- (A) Distinct Dirac particles.
- (B) Distinct Majorana particles with the same  $CP$  parity.

- (C) Distinct Majorana particles with opposite  $CP$  parity.
- (D) Dirac particle-antiparticle pair.
- (E) Identical Majorana particles.

Choosing the  $N_1$  direction in the  $e^+e^-$  c.m. system to be the  $z$  axis, and the  $e^-$ -beam direction to be at an angle  $\theta$  (= scattering angle), the momenta ( $q_1, q_2$ ) and spins ( $t_1, t_2$ ) of  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  have components

$$\begin{aligned} N_1: \quad q_1^\mu &= (\gamma m_1, 0, 0, \gamma \beta m_1), \\ t_1^\mu &= (\gamma \beta n_z, n_x, n_y, \gamma n_z), \end{aligned} \quad (A1)$$

$$N_2: \quad q_2^\mu = (\gamma' m_2, 0, 0, -\gamma' \beta' m_2),$$

$$t_2^\mu = (-\gamma' \beta' n'_z, n'_x, n'_y, \gamma' n'_z).$$

The differential cross sections are [with  $\beta = (1 - 4m_1^2/s)^{1/2}$ ,  $\beta' = (1 - 4m_2^2/s)^{1/2}$ ,  $\gamma = (1 - \beta^2)^{-1/2}$ ,  $\gamma' = (1 - \beta'^2)^{-1/2}$ ,  $\lambda(x, y, z) = [x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2(xy + yz + zx)]^{1/2}$ ]

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_A &= \frac{G_F^2 \alpha_N^2}{512 \pi^2} |R(s)|^2 [1 - (m_1^2 - m_2^2)^2/s^2] \lambda(s, m_1^2, m_2^2) \\ &\quad \times \{ f_1 [(1 + C^2 \beta' \beta) - (\beta n'_z + \beta' n_z)(1 + C^2) \\ &\quad - (\beta' n_x / \gamma + \beta n'_x / \gamma') SC + n_z n'_z (C^2 + \beta \beta') \\ &\quad + (n_x n'_z / \gamma + n'_x n_z / \gamma') SC + n_x n'_x S^2 / \gamma \gamma'] \\ &\quad + f_2 [C(\beta + \beta') - (n_z + n'_z)C(1 + \beta \beta') - (n_x / \gamma \\ &\quad + n'_x / \gamma') S + n_z n'_z C(\beta + \beta') + S(\beta' n_x n'_z / \gamma \\ &\quad + \beta n'_x n_z / \gamma')] \}, \quad (A2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_B &= \frac{G_F^2 \alpha_N^2}{256 \pi^2} |R(s)|^2 [1 - (m_1^2 - m_2^2)^2/s^2] \lambda(s, m_1^2, m_2^2) \\ &\quad (f_1 \{ n_x n'_x S^2 (1/\gamma \gamma' - 1) + n_y n'_y S^2 \beta \beta' + n_z n'_z [\beta \beta' \\ &\quad - C^2 (1/\gamma \gamma' - 1)] \} + (n_x n'_z - n'_x n_z) SC (1/\gamma - 1/\gamma') \\ &\quad + C^2 \beta \beta' - 1/\gamma \gamma' + 1 \} + f_2 \{ (n_x - n'_x) S (1/\gamma' - 1/\gamma) \\ &\quad + (n_z + n'_z) C (1/\gamma \gamma' - \beta \beta' - 1) \}), \quad (A3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_C &= \frac{G_F^2 \alpha_N^2}{256 \pi^2} |R(s)|^2 [1 - (m_1^2 - m_2^2)^2/s^2] \lambda(s, m_1^2, m_2^2) \\ &\quad \times (f_1 \{ n_x n'_x S^2 (1/\gamma \gamma' + 1) - n_y n'_y S^2 \beta \beta' \\ &\quad + n_z n'_z [\beta \beta' + C^2 (1/\gamma \gamma' + 1)] \} + (n_x n'_z \\ &\quad + n'_x n_z) SC (1/\gamma + 1/\gamma') + C^2 \beta \beta' + 1/\gamma \gamma' + 1 \} \\ &\quad - f_2 \{ (n_x + n'_x) S (1/\gamma + 1/\gamma') \\ &\quad + (n_z + n'_z) C (1/\gamma \gamma' + \beta \beta' + 1) \}), \quad (A4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_D &= \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{A,m_1=m_2} = \frac{G_F^2 \alpha_N^2}{512\pi^2} |R(s)|^2 \lambda(s, m^2, m^2) \\ &\times \{f_1[(1+C^2\beta^2) - (n_z+n'_z)\beta(1+C^2) \\ &- (n_x+n'_x)SC\beta/\gamma + n_z n'_z (C^2 + \beta^2) \\ &+ (n_x n'_z + n_z n'_x)SC/\gamma + n_x n'_x S^2/\gamma^2] \\ &+ f_2[2C\beta - (n_z+n'_z)C(1+\beta^2) - (n_x+n'_x)S/\gamma \\ &+ 2n_z n'_z C\beta + (n_x n'_z + n'_x n_z)S\beta/\gamma]\}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A5})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_E &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{B,m_1=m_2} \\ &= \frac{G_F^2 \alpha_N^2}{512\pi^2} |R(s)|^2 \lambda(s, m^2, m^2) \beta^2 \{f_1[(n_y n'_y - n_x n'_x)S^2 \\ &+ (1+n_z n'_z)(1+C^2)] - f_2 2(n_z+n'_z)C\}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A6})$$

## APPENDIX B: MATRIX ELEMENTS

FOR  $e^+e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2 \rightarrow e^\pm e^\mp W^\mp W^+$

### 1. Like-sign dileptons

The matrix element for the reaction (Fig. 2)

$$\begin{aligned} &e^+(p_2, s_2) + e^-(p_1, s_1) \\ &\rightarrow e^-(k_1, t_1) e^-(k_2, t_2) W^+(k_3, \lambda_3) W^+(k_4, \lambda_4) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B1})$$

is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M} &= iA j_\mu^e \Delta_Z^{\mu\nu} \left\{ \lambda_2 \bar{u}_{t_1}(k_1) \gamma_\rho \frac{1}{2} (1-\gamma_5) \frac{q_1 + m_1}{q_1^2 - m_1^2 + im_1 \Gamma_1} \gamma_\nu \right. \\ &\times \frac{1}{2} (1-\gamma_5) \frac{-q_2 + m_2}{q_2^2 - m_2^2 + im_2 \Gamma_2} \gamma_\sigma \frac{1}{2} (1+\gamma_5) v_{t_2}(k_2) \\ &\left. - \lambda_1 \bar{u}_{t_2}(k_2) \gamma_\sigma \frac{1}{2} (1-\gamma_5) \frac{q_2 + m_2}{q_2^2 - m_2^2 + im_2 \Gamma_2} \gamma_\nu \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\times \frac{1}{2} (1-\gamma_5) \frac{-q_1 + m_1}{q_1^2 - m_1^2 + im_1 \Gamma_1} \gamma_\rho \\ &\times \frac{1}{2} (1+\gamma_5) v_{t_1}(k_1) \left. \right\} \epsilon_{\lambda_3}^{*\rho}(k_3) \epsilon_{\lambda_4}^{*\sigma}(k_4). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B2})$$

Upon rearrangement, this gives the matrix element of Eq. (3.2).

### 2. Unlike-sign dileptons

The matrix element for the Majorana-mediated process (Fig. 2)

$$\begin{aligned} &e^+(p_2, s_2) + e^-(p_1, s_1) \\ &\rightarrow e^-(k_1, t_1) e^-(k_2, t_2) W^+(k_3, \lambda_3) W^+(k_4, \lambda_4) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B3})$$

is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_m &= -iA j_\mu^e \Delta_Z^{\mu\nu} \left\{ \lambda_2 \bar{u}_{t_1}(k_1) \gamma_\rho \frac{1}{2} (1-\gamma_5) \right. \\ &\times \frac{q_1 + m_1}{q_1^2 - m_1^2 + im_1 \Gamma_1} \gamma_\nu \frac{1}{2} (1-\gamma_5) \\ &\times \frac{-q_2 + m_2}{q_2^2 - m_2^2 + im_2 \Gamma_2} \gamma_\sigma \frac{1}{2} (1-\gamma_5) v_{t_2}(k_2) \\ &- \lambda_1 \bar{u}_{t_1}(k_1) \gamma_\rho \frac{1}{2} (1-\gamma_5) \frac{q_1 + m_1}{q_1^2 - m_1^2 + im_1 \Gamma_1} \gamma_\nu \\ &\times \frac{1}{2} (1+\gamma_5) \frac{-q_2 + m_2}{q_2^2 - m_2^2 + im_2 \Gamma_2} \gamma_\sigma \\ &\left. \times \frac{1}{2} (1-\gamma_5) v_{t_2}(k_2) \right\} \epsilon_{\lambda_3}^{*\rho}(k_3) \epsilon_{\lambda_4}^{*\sigma}(k_4). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B4})$$

Upon rearrangement, this gives the matrix element of Eq. (4.1).

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