CP AND *T* INVARIANCE

Given CPT invariance, CP violation and T violation are equivalent. So far the only evidence for CP or T violation comes from the measurements of η_{+-}, η_{00}, and the semileptonic decay charge asymmetry for K_L, *e.g.*, $|\eta_{+-}| = |A(K_L^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-)/A(K_S^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-)| = (2.269 \pm 0.023) \times 10^{-3}$ and $[\Gamma(K_L^0 \to \pi^- e^+ \nu) - \Gamma(K_L^0 \to \pi^+ e^- \overline{\nu})]/[\text{sum}] = (0.333 \pm 0.014)\%$. Other searches for CP or T violation divide into (a) those that involve weak interactions or parity violation, and (b) those that involve processes allowed by the strong or electromagnetic interactions. In class (a) the most sensitive is probably the search for an electric dipole moment of the neutron, measured to be $< 1.1 \times 10^{-25}$ e cm (95% CL). A nonzero value requires both P and T violation. Class (b) includes the search for C violation in η decay, believed to be an electromagnetic process, *e.g.*, as measured by $\Gamma(\eta \to \mu^+\mu^-\pi^0)/\Gamma(\eta \to \text{all}) < 5 \times 10^{-6}$, and searches for T violation in a number of nuclear and electromagnetic reactions.

CONSERVATION OF LEPTON NUMBERS

Present experimental evidence and the standard electroweak theory are consistent with the absolute conservation of three separate lepton numbers: electron number L_e, muon number L_μ, and tau number L_τ. Searches for violations are of the following types:

a) $\Delta L = 2$ for one type of lepton. The best limit comes from the search for neutrinoless double beta decay $(Z, A) \to (Z+2, A) + e^- + e^-$. The best laboratory limit is $t_{1/2} > 1.4 \times 10^{24}$ yr (CL=90%) for ^{76}Ge.

b) Conversion of one lepton type to another. For purely leptonic processes, the best limits are on $\mu \to e\gamma$ and $\mu \to 3e$, measured as $\Gamma(\mu \to e\gamma)/\Gamma(\mu \to \text{all}) < 5 \times 10^{-11}$ and $\Gamma(\mu \to 3e)/\Gamma(\mu \to \text{all}) < 1.0 \times 10^{-12}$. For semileptonic processes, the best limit comes from the coherent conversion process in a muonic atom, $\mu^- + (Z, A) \to e^- + (Z, A)$, measured as $\Gamma(\mu^- \text{Ti} \to e^- \text{Ti})/\Gamma(\mu^- \text{Ti} \to \text{all}) < 4 \times 10^{-12}$. Of special interest is the case in which the hadronic flavor also changes, as in $K_L \to e\mu$ and $K^+ \to \pi^+ e^- \mu^+$, measured as