

Testing the Noncommutative Standard Model in W -Pair-Production at the LHC

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Outline

- 1 The noncommutative Standard Model — a reminder
- 2 W production at the parton level
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noncommutative field theory: realized on Minkowski spacetime by replacing the product between fields with the

Moyal-Weyl \star -product

$$\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) \star \hat{\eta}(\mathbf{x}) = \hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}) \exp\left(\frac{i}{2} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{NC}}^2} \overleftarrow{\partial}_\mu \overrightarrow{\partial}_\nu \theta^{\mu\nu}\right) \hat{\eta}(\mathbf{x})$$

→ non-vanishing commutator

$$[\hat{X}^\mu \star, \hat{X}^\nu] = \frac{i}{\Lambda_{\text{NC}}^2} \theta^{\mu\nu} = i\lambda \theta^{\mu\nu}$$

parametrization

$$\theta^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E_x & E_y & E_z \\ -E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ -E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ -E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Seiberg-Witten-Map

Replace gauge parameter and gauge field with maps

$$\tau \rightarrow \hat{\tau}(A, \tau) \quad , \quad A^\mu \rightarrow \hat{A}^\mu(A)$$

from Lie Algebra to enveloping algebra such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A^\mu & \xrightarrow{\text{SWM}} & \hat{A}^\mu(A) \\ \downarrow \tau & & \downarrow \hat{\tau}(\tau, A) \\ A^\mu_\tau & \xrightarrow{\text{SWM}} & \hat{A}^\mu_{\hat{\tau}} \end{array}$$

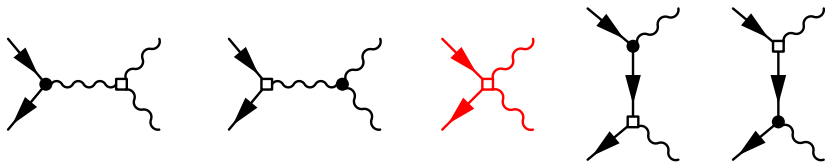
Expand \star -product, SWM and a similar map $\hat{\Psi}(\Psi, A)$ for the matter fields in orders of λ and insert them into the Standard Model lagrangian \longrightarrow Noncommutative Standard Model

- invariance under “ordinary” gauge transformations order by order in λ
- corrections to Standard Model vertices
- new vertices not allowed in the Standard Model
- dependence of the gauge sector on the choice of representation; in the scenario under discussion parametrized by a new parameter

$$-\frac{1}{4g^2} \leq \kappa_2 \leq \frac{1}{4g^2}$$

- additional ambiguities due to the SWM being not unique

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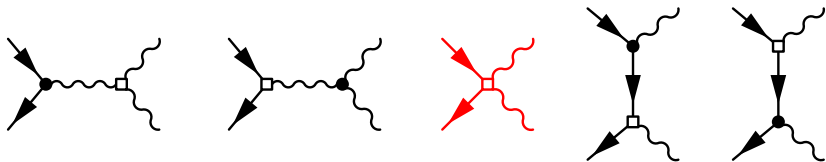


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possible effects on $d\sigma$:

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- corrections proportional to \vec{E}_\parallel and \vec{B}_\parallel independent of ϕ

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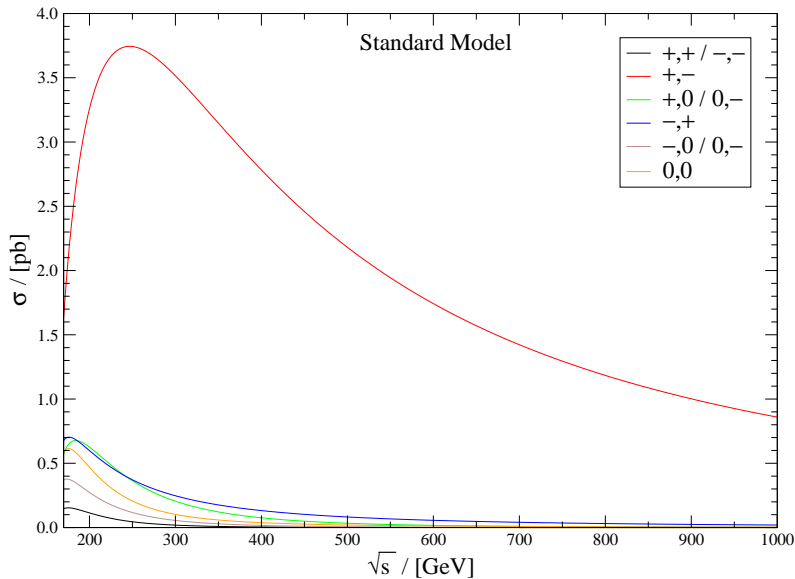
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\vec{E}_\perp	azimuthal oscillation for most combinations of helicities; partial cancellation
\vec{B}_\perp	azimuthal oscillations only for suppressed helicities
\vec{E}_\parallel	extremely small corrections for all combinations of helicities depending on Γ_Z ; negligible
\vec{B}_\parallel	very small corrections only for suppressed helicites

integrated cross section for different helicities:



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boost from lab frame into parton CMS mixes up transverse components of \vec{E} and \vec{B}

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &\xrightarrow{\Lambda} \gamma(E_1 - \beta B_2) & B_1 &\xrightarrow{\Lambda} \gamma(B_1 + \beta E_2) \\ E_2 &\xrightarrow{\Lambda} \gamma(E_2 + \beta B_1) & B_2 &\xrightarrow{\Lambda} \gamma(B_2 - \beta E_1) \end{aligned}$$

\rightarrow influence of \vec{B} greatly enhanced in the hadronic process!

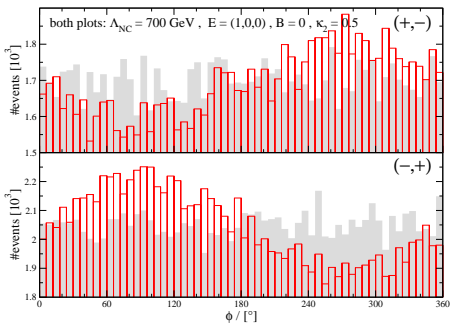
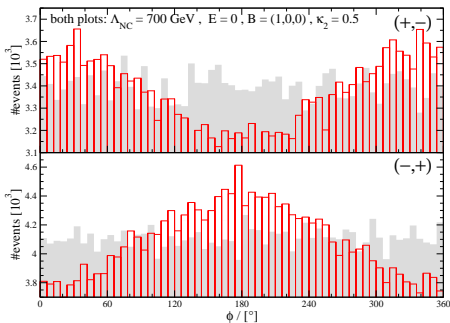
Azimuthal oscillation for $(-, +)$ and $(+, -)$ proportional to \vec{B}_\perp , but:

cancellation

of the oscillation $\propto \vec{E}_\perp$ between events with \vec{q} from negative x_3 direction and those with \vec{q} from positive direction

possible cuts:

$$0^\circ \leq (\theta^+ + \theta^-) \leq 180^\circ \quad \text{or} \quad 180^\circ \leq (\theta^+ + \theta^-) \leq 360^\circ$$



differences between distributions for the two different polar cuts

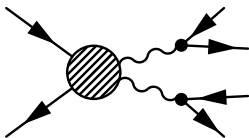
- $\propto \vec{E}_\perp$: azimuthal distribution shifted by π
- $\propto \vec{B}_\perp$: nothing changes

independent measurement of \vec{E}_\perp

- 1 obtain azimuthal distributions for the complementary polar cuts
- 2 add them shifted by π

→ oscillation $\propto \vec{B}_\perp$ cancels out!

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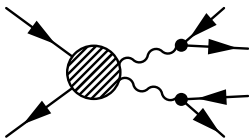
→ decomposition of the cross section into sum over helicities:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d^3k_+ d^3k_- d\bar{\theta}_+ d\bar{\theta}_-} \propto \sum_{rs} \frac{d\sigma_{rs}}{d^3k_+ d^3k_-} P_r(\cos \bar{\theta}_+) P_s(\cos \bar{\theta}_-)$$

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$$Q_s(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2} + x + \frac{5}{2}x^2 & , s = 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} - x + \frac{5}{2}x^2 & , s = -1 \\ 2 - 5x^2 & , s = 0 \end{cases}$$

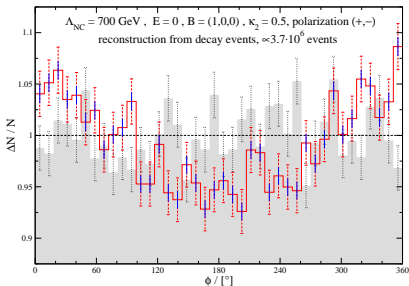
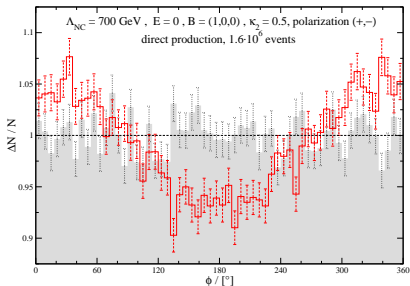
polynomials Q_s are orthogonal to the P_r

$$\int_{-1}^1 dx Q_s(x) P_r(x) = \delta_{rs} \int_{-1}^1 dx P_r(x)^2$$

→ reconstruction of the **polarized** production cross section by folding the unpolarized cross section with the Q_S .

caveats

- fermion charge necessary to discriminate between transverse polarizations; very hard in the case of hadronic decay
- neutrino momentum must be reconstructed in the case of leptonic decay → pair production with semileptonic decay is favourable
- statistical error significantly larger \sqrt{N}



Reconstruction of the neutrino momentum:

transverse components p^1, p^2 from momentum conservation, mass shell condition defines an hyperbola in the p^0 - p^3 plane

$$p^{0^2} - p^{3^2} - |\vec{p}_\perp|^2 = 0$$

mass shell condition of the intermediary $W \rightarrow$ straight line

$$(p + q)^2 = 2 \left(p^0 q^0 - p^3 q^3 - \vec{p}_\perp \vec{q}_\perp \right) = m_W^2$$

\rightarrow in general two points of intersection corresponding to “valid” momenta

choice: select the momentum that minimizes $\cos(\theta_+ - \theta_-)$

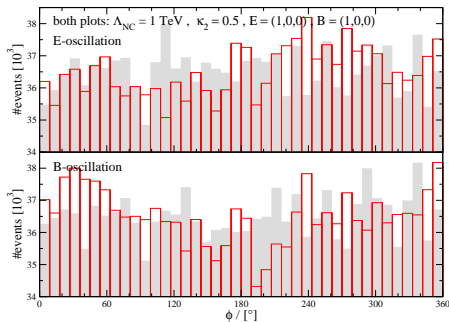
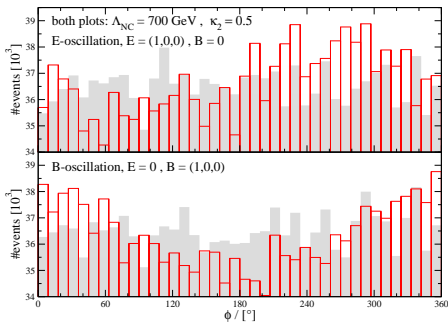
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data analysis

- 1 reconstruct the neutrino momentum
- 2 weight events with the Q_S and bin them to obtain the helicity distributions
- 3 add $(-, +)$ and $(+, +)$ to obtain $(\mp, +)$; similarly for $(\pm, -)$
- 4 add $(\mp, +)$ and $(\pm, -)$ with a phase of π
- 5 no polar cuts $\rightarrow \vec{B}_\perp$ -analysis; shift and add complementary polar cuts for \vec{E}_\perp -analysis

results:



- oscillation phase contains information how \vec{E}_\perp and \vec{B}_\perp are aligned in the x_1 - x_2 -plane
- magnitude of the oscillations contains information about the absolute value

- very distinct signal (azimuthal oscillation) due to breaking of lorentz invariance
- sensitivity limit somewhere around 1 TeV — not ideal for initial probing of the NCSM, but:
- observables allowing for the **independent** measurement of \vec{E}_\perp and \vec{B}_\perp
- no bounds on κ_2 or \vec{E}_\parallel and \vec{B}_\parallel

experimental challenges:

- reconstruction of the helicity distributions produces large error bars \longrightarrow statistics is critical
- ambiguity in the determination of the neutrino momentum \longrightarrow better criterion for choosing between solutions?

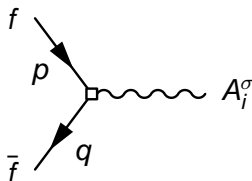
Seiberg-Witten-Maps to first order in λ

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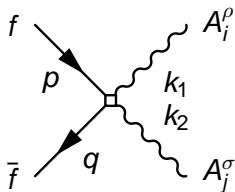
$$\hat{A}^\mu(A) = A^\mu - \frac{\lambda \theta^{\rho\sigma}}{4} \{ A_\rho, \partial_\sigma A^\mu + F_\sigma{}^\mu \} + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$$

$$\hat{\Psi}(\Psi, A) = \Psi + \frac{\lambda \theta^{\mu\nu}}{4} (i A_\mu A_\nu \Psi - 2 A_\mu \partial_\nu \Psi) + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$$

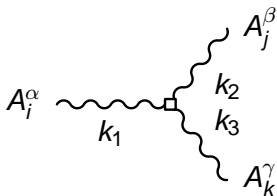
Feynman rules:



$$= \frac{\lambda}{2} T_i p_\mu q_\nu (\theta^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\sigma + \theta^{\sigma\mu} \gamma^\nu + \theta^{\nu\sigma} \gamma^\mu)$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\lambda}{2} (p\theta^{\sigma\rho} [T_i, T_j] + \\
 &= (k_1\theta^{\sigma\rho} + p\theta^{\sigma\gamma\rho} + q\theta^{\rho\gamma\sigma}) T_i T_j + \\
 &= (k_2\theta^{\rho\sigma} + p\theta^{\rho\gamma\sigma} + q\theta^{\sigma\gamma\rho}) T_j T_i + \\
 &= (k_1\theta^{\sigma\gamma\rho} + k_2\theta^{\rho\gamma\sigma}) \{T_i, T_j\})
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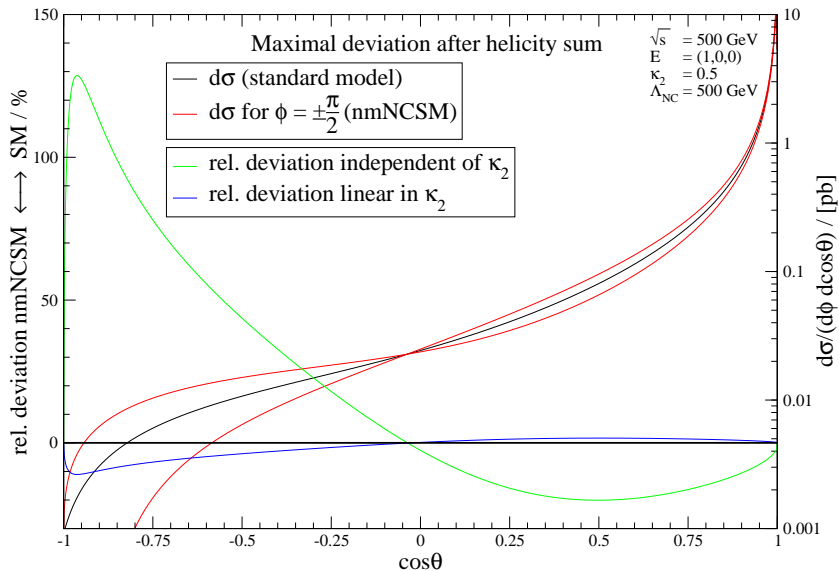


$$= -\lambda T_{i\{jk\}} \Theta_3((k_1, \alpha), (k_2, \beta), (k_3, \gamma))$$

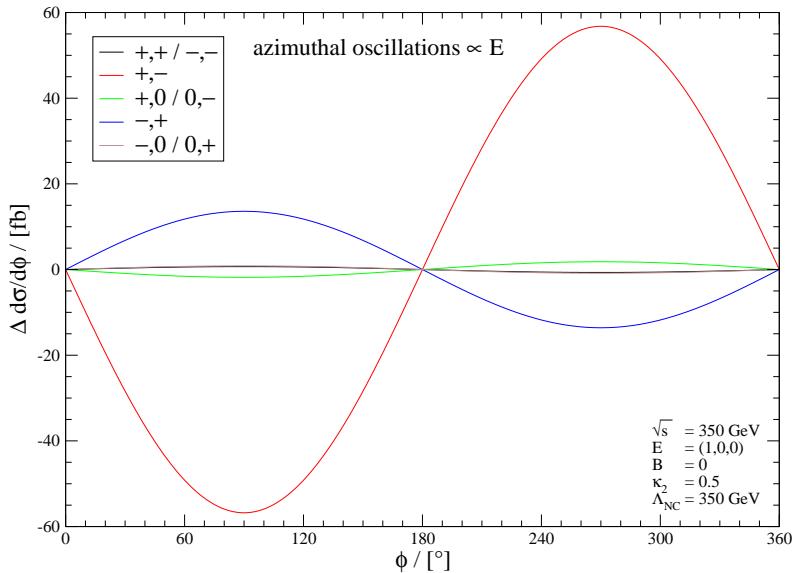
with the group factor

$$T_{i\{jk\}} = \text{Tr } T_i \{T_j, T_k\} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\text{Perm.}} \text{Tr } T_i T_j T_k$$

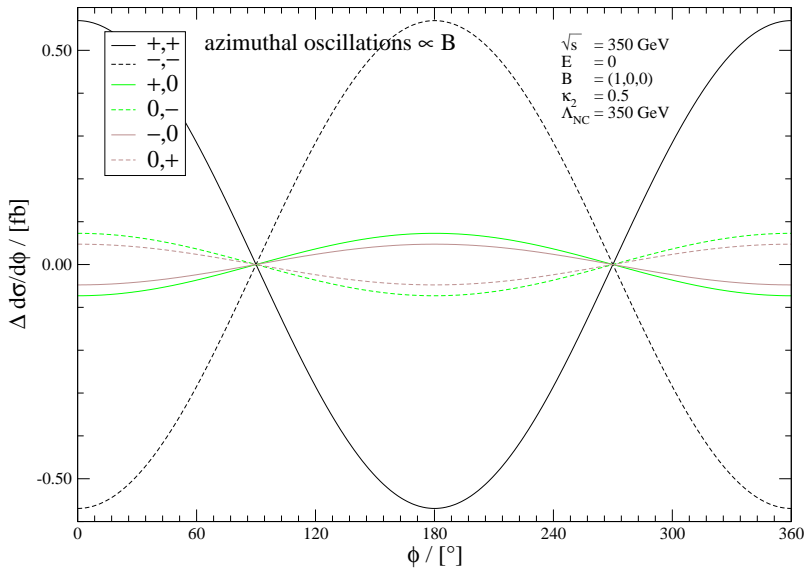
deviation Standard Model vs. NCSM, summed over helicities

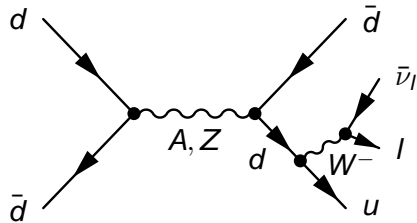
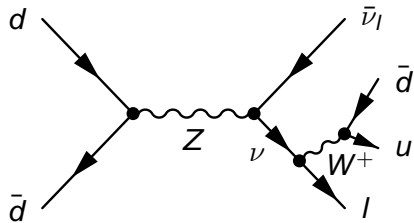
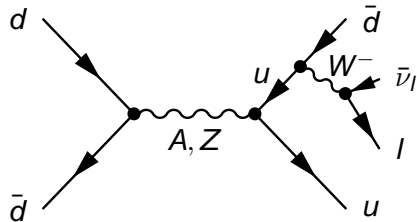
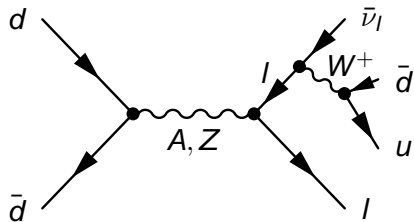


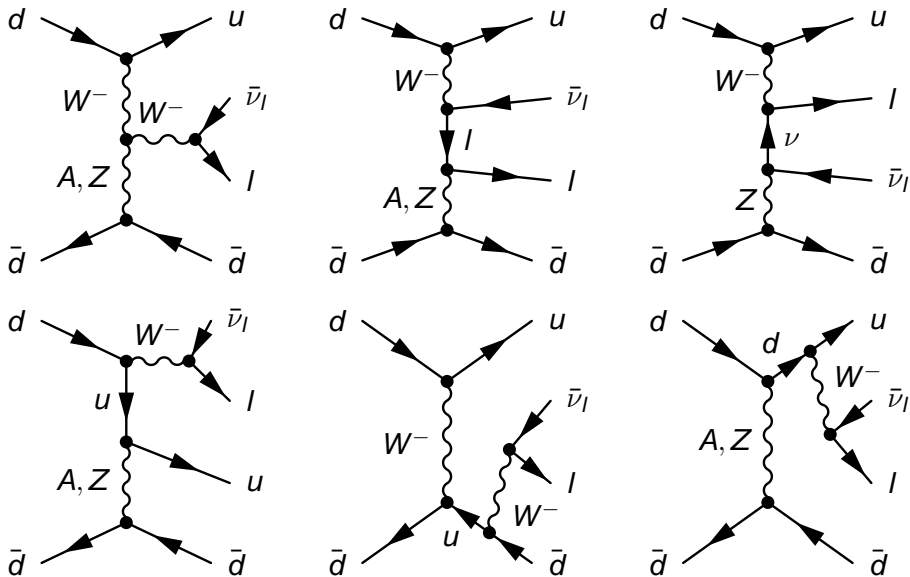
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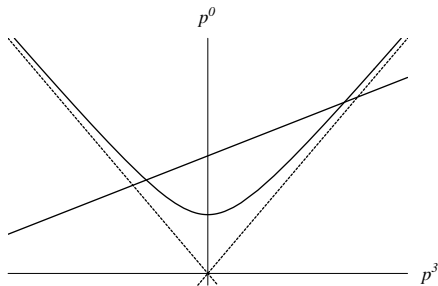


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asymptotes (quark mass shell):

$$p_0 = \pm 1$$

slope (W mass shell):

$$\left| \frac{q^3}{q^0} \right| = \frac{\sqrt{q^{02} - q_{\perp}^2}}{q^0} < 1$$

→ two points of intersection

$$p_{1/2}^0 = \frac{q^{02} (m_W^2 + 2\vec{p}_{\perp} \vec{q}_{\perp}) \pm q^3 A}{2q^0 (q^{02} - q^{32})}$$

$$p_{1/2}^3 = \frac{2q^3 \vec{p}_{\perp} \vec{q}_{\perp} \pm A}{2 (q^{02} - q^{32})}$$

$$A = q^0 \sqrt{(m_W^2 + 2\vec{q}_{\perp} \vec{p}_{\perp})^2 + 4|q_{\perp}|^2 (q^{32} - q^{02})}$$