

Test of the Noncommutative Standard Model at the LHC

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Analogy to quantum mechanics: postulation of noncommutative space-time

$$[\hat{x}_\mu, \hat{x}_\nu] = i\theta_{\mu\nu} = i \frac{C_{\mu\nu}}{\Lambda_{NC}^2} \Rightarrow \Delta \hat{x}_\mu \cdot \Delta \hat{x}_\nu \geq \frac{\theta_{\mu\nu}}{2}$$

Current **collider bounds** on the noncommutative scale Λ_{NC} :

- $\Lambda_{NC} > 141 \text{ GeV}$ (OPAL: $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ in NCQED [Abbiendi et al.])

Theoretically, hypothesis/appearance of **length/area scale**:

- historically **regularisation of infinites** in QFT [Heisenberg/Pauli/Snyder]
- **NCQFT as low energy limit of string theories** [Seiberg/Witten]:

String theory and noncommutative geometry.

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- possible cut-off for removing divergent contributions to **quantum gravity**

- special case and useful approximation: $\theta^{\mu\nu}$ constant 4×4 -matrix:

$$[\hat{x}^\mu, \hat{x}^\nu] = i\theta^{\mu\nu} = i\frac{1}{\Lambda_{NC}^2} C^{\mu\nu} = i\frac{1}{\Lambda_{NC}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -E^1 & -E^2 & -E^3 \\ E^1 & 0 & -B^3 & B^2 \\ E^2 & B^3 & 0 & -B^1 \\ E^3 & -B^2 & B^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- effective lagrangians

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff.}} = \dots + g \bar{\psi}(\hat{x}) \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \psi(\hat{x}) W^\mu(\hat{x}) + \dots$$

with product of functions of noncommuting variables

$$(fg)(\hat{x}) = f(\hat{x})g(\hat{x})$$

realised by Moyal-Weyl \star -products of functions of commuting variables:

$$(f \star g)(x) = f(x) e^{\frac{i}{2} \overleftarrow{\partial^\mu} \theta_{\mu\nu} \overrightarrow{\partial^\nu}} g(x) = f(x)g(x) + \frac{i}{2} \theta_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_\mu} \frac{\partial g(x)}{\partial x_\nu} + \mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$$

Note: $[x_\mu \star x_\nu](x) = (x_\mu \star x_\nu)(x) - (x_\nu \star x_\mu)(x) = i\theta_{\mu\nu} = [\hat{x}_\mu, \hat{x}_\nu]$

- ① Replace products in \mathcal{L} with Moyal-Weyl \star -products:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} = i\bar{\psi} \not{A} \psi + \dots \longrightarrow \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{NC}} = i\bar{\psi} \star \not{A} \star \psi + \dots$$

problem: only $U(N)$ -gauge theory on NC space-time possible

$$\left([A_\mu^a T^a ; A_\nu^b T^b] = \frac{1}{2} [A_\mu^a ; A_\nu^b]_- [T^a, T^b]_+ + \frac{1}{2} [A_\mu^a ; A_\nu^b]_+ [T^a, T^b]_- \right)$$

- ② Express **noncommutative** fields by **commutative** fields

$$A_\mu, \Psi, \lambda \rightarrow \hat{A}_\mu[A, \theta], \hat{\Psi}[\Psi, A, \theta], \hat{\lambda}[\lambda, A, \theta]$$

and **NC** gauge transformations through ordinary gauge transformations:

$$\text{e.g. } \hat{A}_\rho(A, \theta) + \delta \hat{A}_\rho(A, \theta) \stackrel{!}{=} \hat{A}_\rho(A + \delta A, \theta)$$

solution: Seiberg-Witten-maps, as power series in θ

$$\text{e.g. } \hat{A}_\mu(x) = A_\mu(x) + \frac{1}{4} \theta^{\rho\sigma} [A_\sigma(x), \partial_\rho A_\mu(x) + F_{\rho\mu}(x)]_+ + \mathcal{O}((\theta^{\mu\nu})^2)$$

allows **NC** generalization of $SU(N)$

- ③ Construction of a **noncommutative $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$** effective theory [**Wess et al.**] as expansion in powers of θ

Feynman rules at **first** and **second** order in $\theta \propto \frac{1}{\Lambda_{NC}^2}$

- NC-corrections to SM-interactions:

$$\epsilon_\mu(k) \text{---} \square \text{---} \bar{u}(p') = ig \cdot \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{i}{2} [(\bar{k}\theta)_\mu p + (\theta p)_\mu k - (\bar{k}\theta p)\gamma_\mu] \\ + \frac{1}{8} (\bar{k}\theta p) [(\bar{k}\theta)_\mu p + (\theta p)_\mu k - (\bar{k}\theta p)\gamma_\mu] \end{array} \right.$$

$\bar{u}(p')$


u(p)

- New interactions:

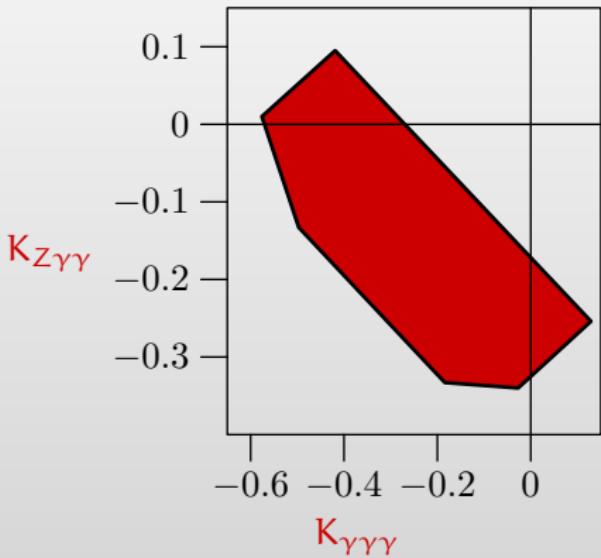
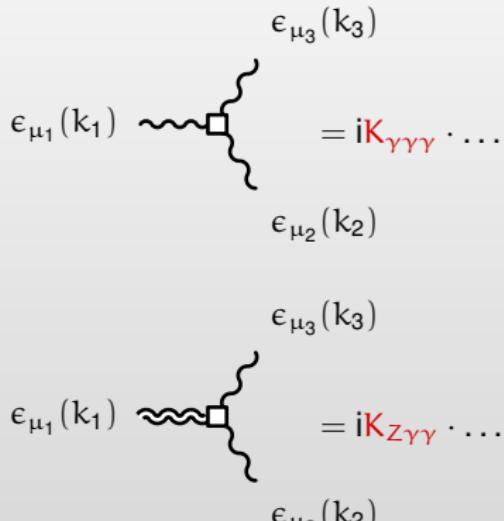
$$\epsilon_{\mu_2}(k_2) \text{---} \bar{u}(p') = ig^2 \cdot \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{i}{2} [(\theta(k_1 - k_2))_{\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} - (\theta(k_1 - k_2))_{\mu_2} \gamma_{\mu_1} \\ \quad - \theta_{\mu_1 \mu_2} (k_1 - k_2)] \\ + \frac{1}{8} [k_1 \theta k_2 (3p \theta^{\mu_1} - k_1 \theta^{\mu_1} - k_2 \theta^{\mu_1}) \gamma^{\mu_2} \\ \quad + 2[(k_1 + k_2) \theta^{\mu_2} p \theta^{\mu_1}] k_1 + \dots] \end{array} \right.$$

$\bar{u}(p')$


u(p)

(all momenta outgoing)

- New interactions: three neutral gauge bosons $\gamma\gamma\gamma$, $Z\gamma\gamma$, $ZZ\gamma$, ... at first order in θ



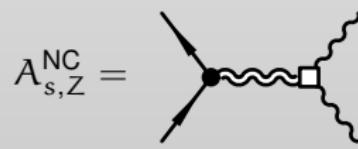
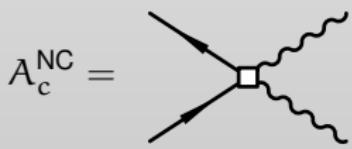
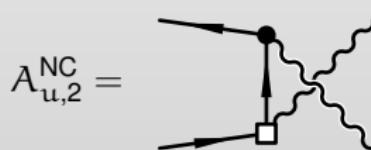
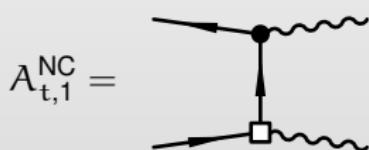
- coupling constants **not unique**, yet **constrained** from matching the SM at $\theta \rightarrow 0$
- **no contribution** from **second order** in θ

$$pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, Z\gamma, ZZ$$

Standard Model:



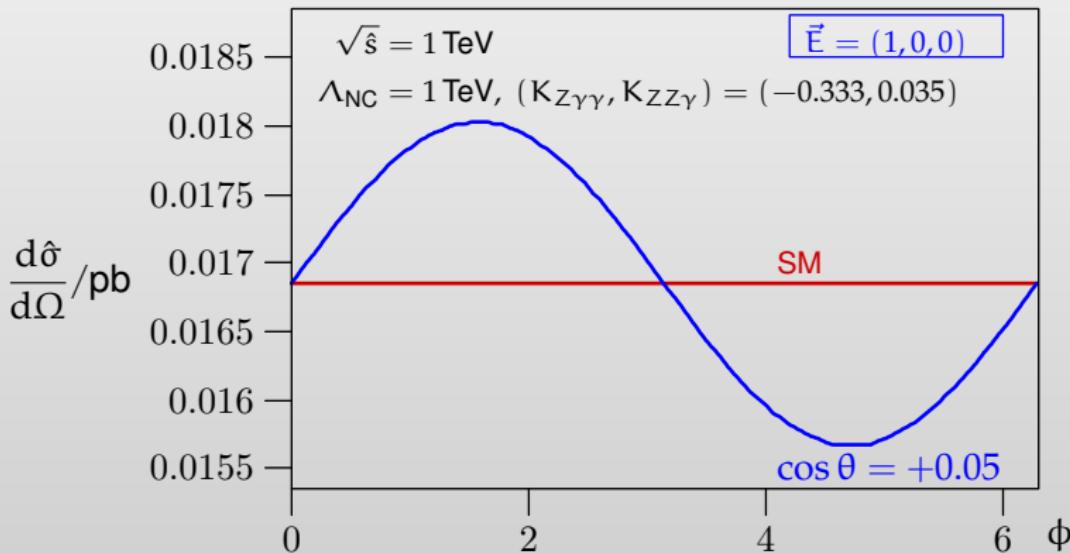
NCSM:



$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z\gamma$$

Discriminative effect: azimuthal dependence of cross sections

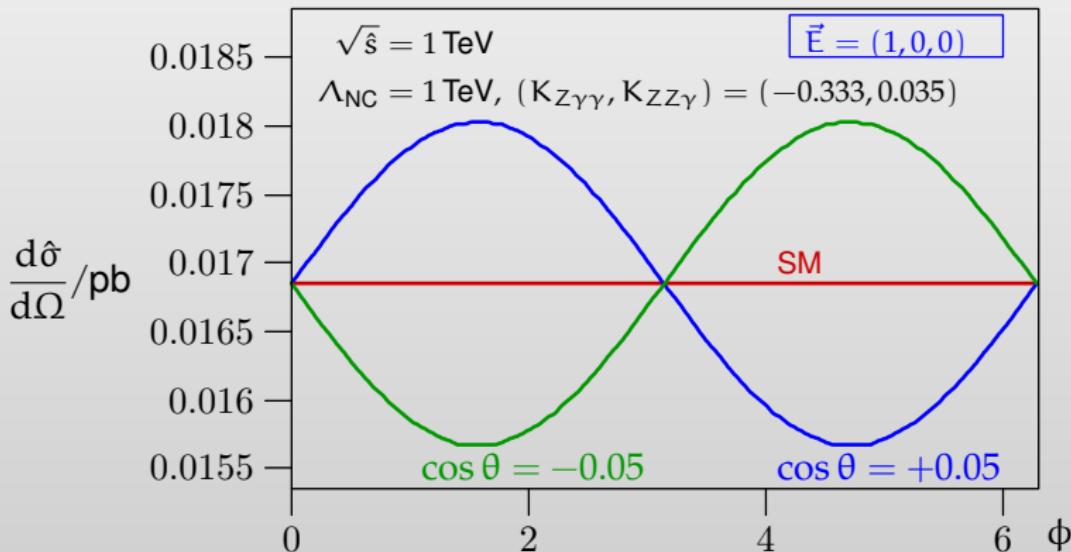
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- dependency on \vec{E} stronger than on \vec{B}



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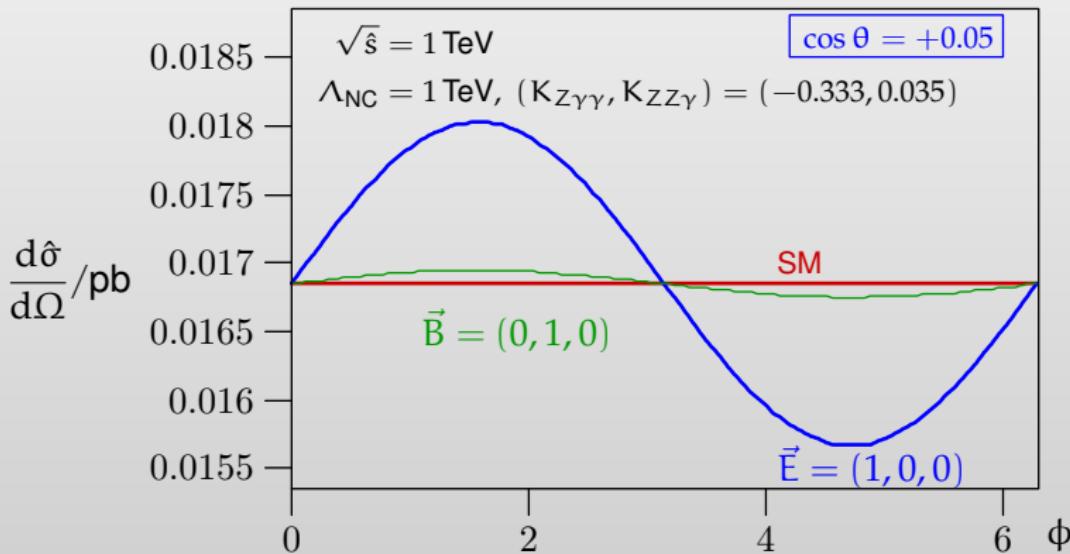
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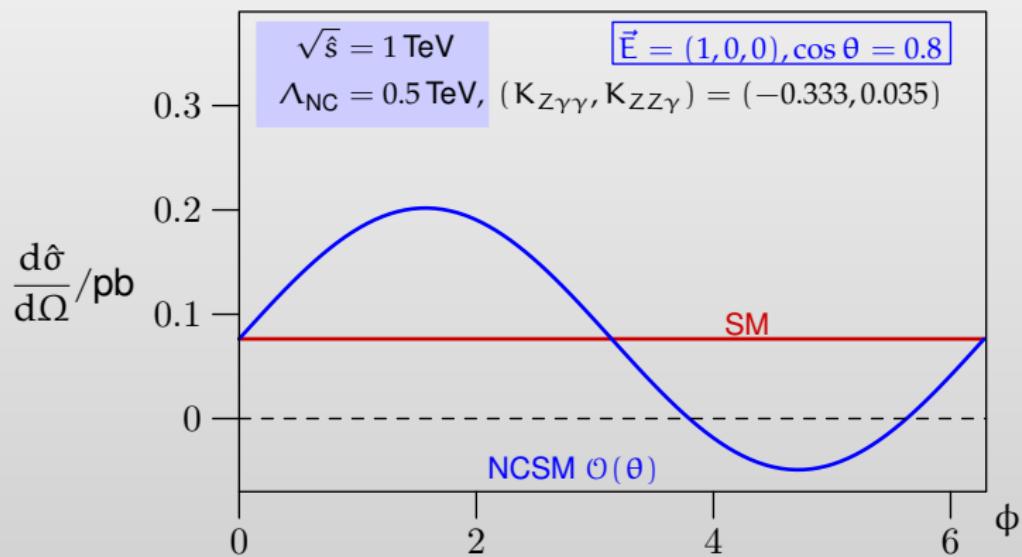
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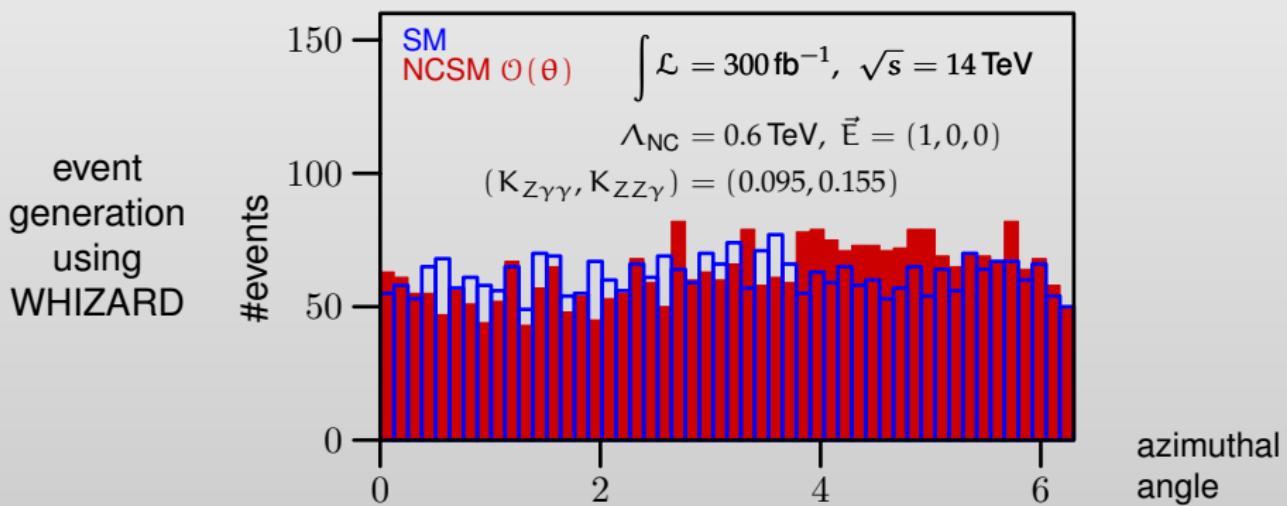
- if $\sqrt{\hat{s}}/\Lambda_{NC}$ large \Rightarrow negative cross section \Rightarrow upper cut on $\sqrt{\hat{s}}$



$$pp \rightarrow Z\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma @LHC$$

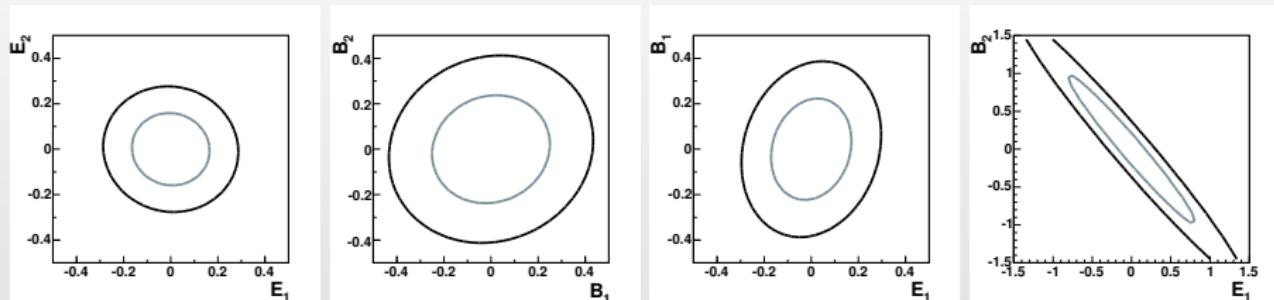
Azimuthal dependence of cross section - cuts:

- Effect $\propto \sqrt{\hat{s}}/\Lambda_{NC} \Rightarrow m_{e^+e^-\gamma} > 220 \text{ GeV}$
- validity of $\mathcal{O}(\theta)$ approximation $\Rightarrow m_{e^+e^-\gamma} < 1 \text{ TeV}$
- Effect antisymmetric in $\cos \theta_\gamma^*$ $\Rightarrow 0 < \cos \theta_\gamma^* < 0.9$
- Separation of $q\bar{q}$ from $\bar{q}q$ initial state: $\langle x_{\text{valence}} \rangle \gg \langle x_{\text{sea}} \rangle$
 $\Rightarrow Z$ and γ in the same hemisphere: $\cos \theta_{Z,\gamma} > 0$



Likelihood-Fits [A.A., Ohl, Rückl]:

e^+e^- channel, $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$, 100 fb^{-1} , $\Lambda_{\text{NC}} = 500 \text{ GeV}$



- just **kinematical correlations** of (E_1, B_2) and (E_2, B_1) because of **Lorentz-boost** along beam axis x_3

$$\theta^{\mu\nu} = \frac{C^{\mu\nu}}{\Lambda_{\text{NC}}^2} : \quad C^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \Lambda_\rho^\mu \Lambda_\sigma^\nu C^{\rho\sigma}$$

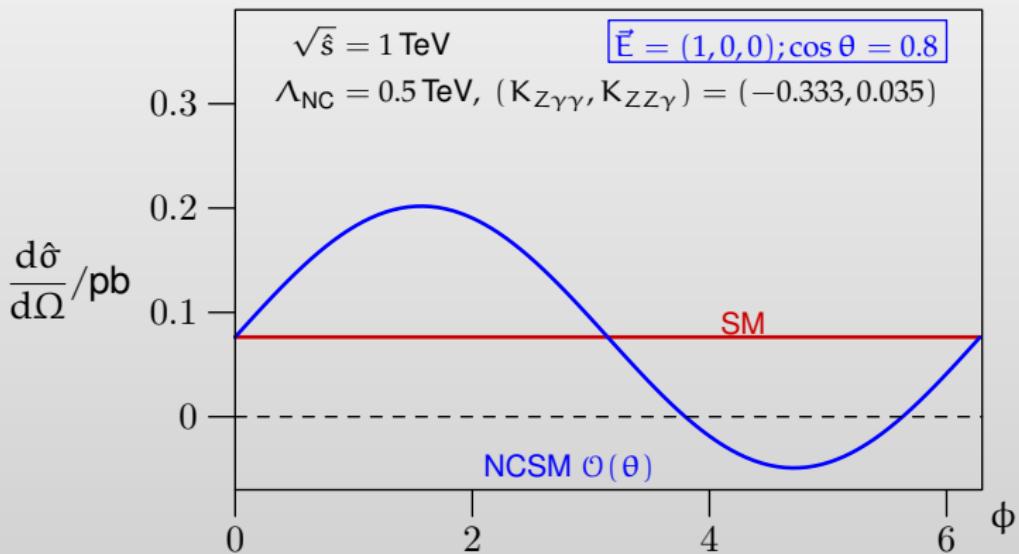
$$\text{i.p. } E_1 \rightarrow \gamma(E_1 - \beta B_2) \quad \text{with} \quad \beta = v/c, \quad \gamma = 1/\sqrt{1-\beta^2}$$

- Derived bounds:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} E_i = 1 \text{ all other } 0, \quad i = 1, 2 \\ B_i = 1 \text{ all other } 0, \quad i = 1, 2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{NC}} \simeq 1.0 \text{ TeV}$$

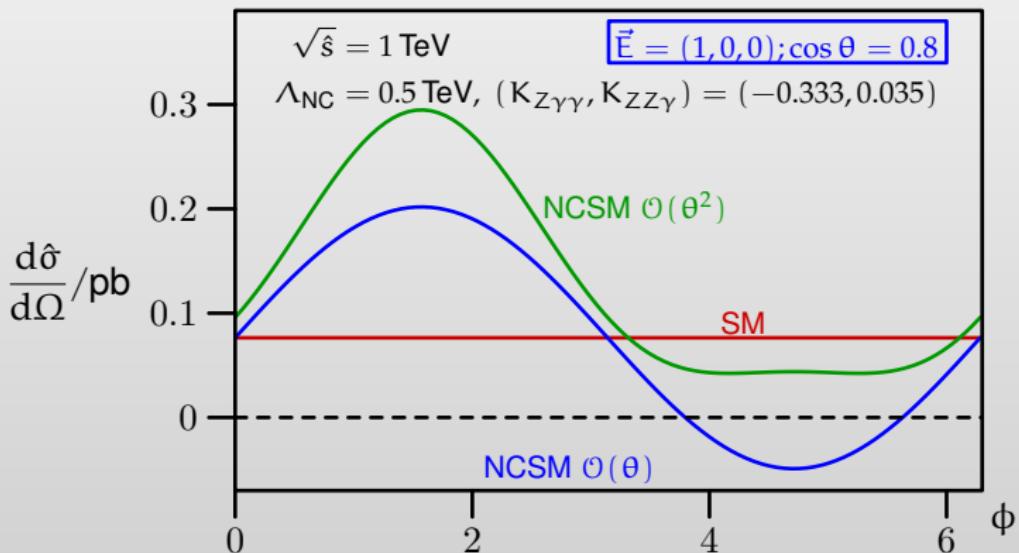
- regions in phase space with large $\sqrt{\hat{s}}/\Lambda_{\text{NC}} \Rightarrow$ negative cross section
- interference $\mathcal{A}_{\text{NC}}(\theta) \cdot \mathcal{A}_{\text{SM}}^*(\theta)$ dominates $|\mathcal{A}_{\text{SM}}|^2$

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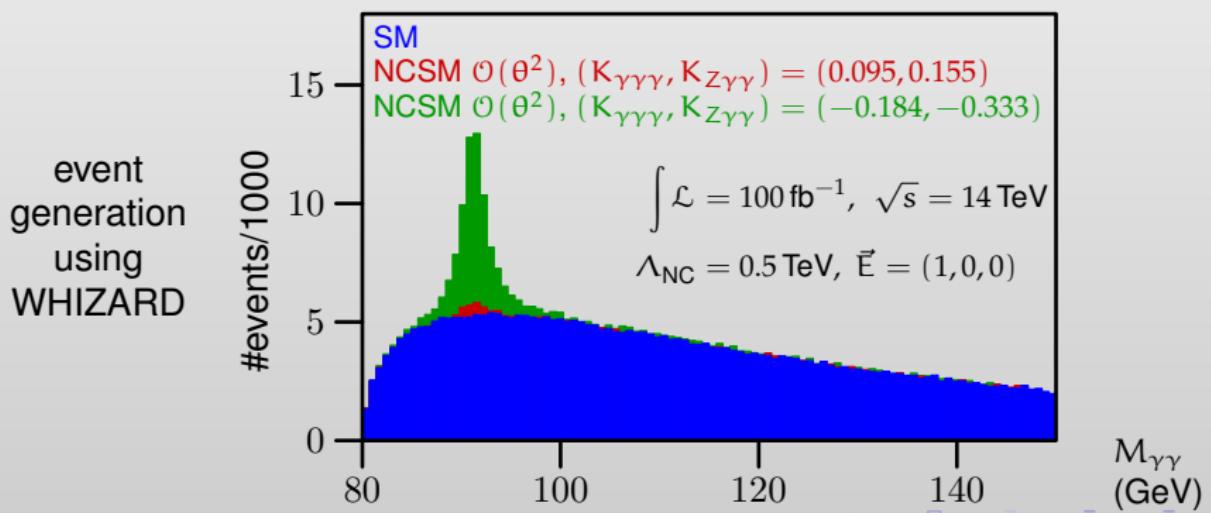
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$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z\gamma$$



pp $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ @LHC

- at $\mathcal{O}(\theta)$ just minute observable NC effects in unpolarised cross section from interference of Z-exchange diagram with SM
- at $\mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$: peak in $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ distribution at m_Z , from squared Z-exchange diagram
- Cuts (same as for the light Higgs search):
 $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 2.5, 80 \text{ GeV} < M_{\gamma\gamma} < 150 \text{ GeV}, \text{DR}_{\gamma\gamma} > 0.4$



- QFT on NC space-time realised by means of Moyal-Weyl \star product and Seiberg-Witten maps
- NCSM as expansion in powers of θ :
 - at $\mathcal{O}(\theta)$: unpolarised $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Z\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$ phenomenologically richer than $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
 - exclusion limits @LHC: $\Lambda_{NC} \gtrsim 1.0 \text{ TeV}$ [A.A., Ohl, Rückl]
 - no polarisation required, unlike $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$ [Ohl, Reuter, PRD70]
 - at $\mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$: extension of region of validity
 - inclusion $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
(at $\mathcal{O}(\theta^{\mu\nu})$ only minute observable effect from $K_{Z\gamma\gamma} \neq 0$)

In progress:

- further phenomenological studies including also W 's require corresponding Feynman rules up to $\mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$
- ZZZ , WWZ , ... acquire mass dependent NC-corrections coming from the Higgs sector
⇒ hybrid SWM for Higgs at $\mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$ needed

$$\hat{\phi} \longrightarrow \hat{\phi}' = e^{i\hat{\lambda}_L} \star \hat{\phi} \star e^{-i\hat{\lambda}_R}$$

Generalize

$$\widehat{\psi}[\psi, A] = \psi + \frac{1}{2}\theta^{\mu\nu}A_\nu\partial_\mu\psi + \frac{i}{8}\theta^{\mu\nu}[A_\mu, A_\nu]_-\psi + \mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$$

to a field transforming from the left and on the right under two arbitrary gauge groups:

$$\delta\widehat{\phi} = i\lambda_L \star \widehat{\phi} - i\widehat{\phi} \star \lambda_R$$

Hybrid Seiberg-Witten map:

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\phi}[\phi, A_L, A_R] &= \phi + \frac{1}{2}\theta^{\mu\nu}A_{L\nu}\left(\partial_\mu\phi - \frac{i}{2}(A_{L\mu}\phi - \phi A_{R\mu})\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}\theta^{\mu\nu}\left(\partial_\mu\phi - \frac{i}{2}(A_{L\mu}\phi - \phi A_{R\mu})\right)A_{R\nu} + \mathcal{O}(\theta^2)\end{aligned}$$