

# Bounds on Planck-scale deformations of CPT

Using lifetimes and interference

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# CPT as a fundamental symmetry of Nature

Basic theorems and experimental facts, 1

Invariance under CPT: strongly believed to be strict due to general theorems and naturalness of their premise

CPT theorem and its various mutations, 1951-57: Schwinger, Lüders, Jost, Pauli, Bell, Zumino

Assumptions:

- Hermiticity of  $H$
- unitary evolution
- locality: fields commute (bosonic) or anticommute (fermionic) at spacelike separations
- finite vacuum expectations of field products
- Lorentz invariance

Imply CPT-invariance

$$[CPT, H] = 0$$

# CPT as a fundamental symmetry of Nature

## Basic theorems and experimental facts, 2

### Some phenomenological consequences of CPT invariance

- particles and antiparticles have the same masses
- particles and antiparticles have the same lifetimes (decay rates)
- CPT-coupled decay channels have the same widths (decay rates, lifetimes)
- ..

Many experimental tests of CPT;

most impressive experimental constraint  $|m_{K^0} - m_{\bar{K}^0}| < 4 \times 10^{-19}$   
GeV at 95% cl.

# CPT as a fundamental symmetry of Nature

Basic theorems and experimental facts, 3

Another theorem by O. Greenberg, called Anti-CPT Theorem (2002)

Mild assumptions (hermiticity, unitarity), in field theory of pointlike particles:

Violation of CPT invariance entails violation of Lorentz invariance

Numerous logical and field-theoretical subtleties, depending on formulation of CPT theorem

But clear hint for phenomenology:

**CPT invariance probes Lorentz invariance**

# CPT non-invariance and T-irreversibility

Dissipation and gravity enter the game

R.M. Wald, PR D21 (1980) 2742

S.W. Hawking, Commun. Math. Phys. 87 (1982) 395

- No fundamental arrow of time in its own right but only with a choice of matter vs. antimatter
- In presence of fundamental quantum-gravity-induced decoherence, CPT operator is no longer well defined: scattering operator cannot map pure in-states into pure out-states, and vice versa, due to destruction of information in presence of micro black holes
- Analog to dissipative processes but here irreversibility is connected to CPT

Concept of minimal energy- and length scale leads to non-commutative geometry, by analogy to uncertainty relation

$$[x^\mu, x^\nu] = i\theta^{\mu\nu}$$

Motivated in-depth in string theories

Developed to deformed geometry generated by  $\kappa$ -deformed Poincaré algebra (generators of boosts, momenta and rotations) and defined by commutation relations

$$[t, x^j] = ix^j/\kappa; \quad [t, k^j] = -ik^j/\kappa; \quad \text{etc.}$$

$\kappa$  naturally expected to be  $m_{\text{Planck}}$

J.Kowalski-Glikman, S.Nowak, Class. Quant. Grav. 20 (2003) 4799

How do C, P and T act?

Space, time and charges:

$$C : q \rightarrow -q$$

$$P : q \rightarrow q$$

$$T : q \rightarrow q$$

$$C : \vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}$$

$$P : \vec{x} \rightarrow -\vec{x}$$

$$T : \vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}$$

$$C : t \rightarrow t$$

$$P : t \rightarrow t$$

$$T : t \rightarrow -t$$

Energy and momenta:

$$C : \vec{p} \rightarrow \vec{p}$$

$$P : \vec{p} \rightarrow -\vec{p}$$

$$T : \vec{p} \rightarrow -\vec{p}$$

$$C : E \rightarrow E$$

$$P : E \rightarrow E$$

$$T : E \rightarrow E$$

$$T : i \rightarrow -i$$

Normal, i.e. undeformed CPT

$$CPT : p_0 \rightarrow p_0$$

$$CPT : \vec{p} \rightarrow \vec{p}$$

Naively, try to deform  $CPT_\kappa$  expanding to linear terms in  $1/\kappa$

$$CPT_\kappa : p_0 \rightarrow p_0 - \frac{\vec{p}^2}{\kappa} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\kappa^2}\right)$$

$$CPT_\kappa : \vec{p} \rightarrow \vec{p} - \frac{p_0 \vec{p}}{\kappa} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\kappa^2}\right)$$

And always  $CPT_\kappa : q \rightarrow \bar{q}$



There is a strict (and sophisticated) way of deriving effect of  $CPT_\kappa$  by generalizing  $\kappa$ -Poincaré to Hopf algebras

In simpler terms, sufficient to require preservation of mass-shell relation under  $\Theta_\kappa = CPT_\kappa$

$$\begin{aligned}m^2 &= p_0^2 - \vec{p}^2 \\ &= \Theta_\kappa(p_0)^2 - \Theta_\kappa(\vec{p})^2\end{aligned}$$

and de Sitter metric in momentum space, with radius= $\kappa^2$

# CPT thus deforms observables

e.g. Lorentz factors

Usual Lorentz boost factor  $\gamma$  for a particle

$$\gamma = \frac{E}{m}$$

becomes  $\Theta_\kappa = \text{CPT}_\kappa$ -deformed for antiparticle

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_\kappa &= \Theta_\kappa \gamma \\ &= \frac{-S(E)}{m} \\ &= \frac{1}{m} (E - \vec{p}^2 / \kappa)\end{aligned}$$

Approach and results:

M.Arzano, J.Kowalski-Glikman, W.Wislicki, PL B794(2019)41

# How to measure $\kappa$ -deformation?

Escape from rest frame, 1

Consider unstable particle at rest

$$\psi = \sqrt{\Gamma} e^{-\Gamma t/2 + imt}$$

Mass  $m$  and lifetime  $\tau = 1/\Gamma$  are  $\Theta = \text{CPT}$ -invariant.

At rest, CPT undeformed, hence  $m_p = m_a$  and  $\Gamma_p = \Gamma_a$  due to CPT theorem.

**In their rest frames**, decay probability laws the same for particle and antiparticle

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}_p &= \psi \star \psi^\dagger \\ &= \Gamma e^{-\Gamma t} \\ &= \Theta \psi \star (\Theta \psi)^\dagger \\ &= \mathcal{P}_a\end{aligned}$$

# How to measure $\kappa$ -deformation?

Escape from rest frame, 2

But they differ after Lorentz transformation

$$\mathcal{P}_p = \frac{\Gamma E}{m} e^{-\Gamma t E/m}$$
$$\mathcal{P}_a = \Gamma \left( \frac{E}{m} - \frac{\vec{p}^2}{\kappa m} \right) e^{-\Gamma t \left( \frac{E}{m} - \frac{\vec{p}^2}{\kappa m} \right)}$$

Consequences could be examined experimentally by precisely measuring the particle and antiparticle lifetimes..

.. provided the lifetime is dilatated enough w.r.t. precision of its measurement

Correction to lifetime at least comparable to experimental accuracy  $\vec{p}^2/(\kappa m) \simeq \sigma_\tau/\tau$

# Crucial point of reasoning

Momentum-dependence of CPT violation

CPT violation depends on the Lorentz frame

Implementation of interplay between CPT and Lorentz  
(non)invariance

Perhaps the only proposed CPT-violation mechanism where  
CPT violation entails breakdown of Lorentz invariance, explicitly  
and in a simple way

# Measure the lifetimes

The best candidate is  $\mu^\pm$

$$\tau_\mu = (2.1969811 \pm 0.0000022) \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}$$

LHC:  $p = 6.5 \text{ TeV}/c$

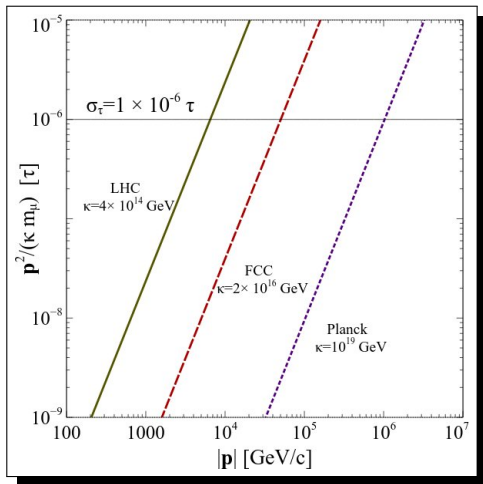
FCC:  $p = 50 \text{ TeV}/c$



Possible  
experimental setup:

$$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

Measure  $\tau_{\mu^+}$  and  
 $\tau_{\mu^-}$  for same energy  
muons



# Measure the lifetimes

Possible biases, etc.

In addition to experimental accuracy, need to control possible subtle effects distorting decay law

If not at rest, the exponential law with constant  $\Gamma$  is not exact  
(L. Khalfin, J. Exp. Theor. Phys. 33 (1957) 1371)

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(t) &= \int dm e^{-i\sqrt{m^2+p^2}t} f_{\text{Breit-Wigner}}(m; \Gamma) \\ \mathcal{P}(t) &\sim e^{-\Gamma(p)t}\end{aligned}$$

However,  $p$ -dependent deviations of  $\Gamma(p)$  from  $\gamma\Gamma = m\Gamma/\sqrt{m^2+p^2}$  shown to be extremely small (F. Giacosa, A. Phys. Pol. B47 (2016) 2145) if  $\Gamma/m$  negligible; for  $\mu^\pm$ ,  $\Gamma/m = 3 \times 10^{-18}$  and estimated correction to decay rate  $< 10^{-37}\Gamma$

# More hopes: interference phenomena

Known to be precise tool in measuring subtle effects

Consider neutral-meson interference ( $K^0$ ,  $B^0$ , etc.)

$$K_{L,S} \leftarrow \phi^0(1020) \longrightarrow K_{S,L}$$

$$B_{H,L} \leftarrow \Upsilon(10580) \longrightarrow B_{L,H}$$

Decay-time  $\Delta t$  spectrum in meson rest frames and the same decay channels

$$I(\Delta t) \sim e^{-\Gamma_L \Delta t} + e^{-\Gamma_S \Delta t} - 2 e^{-\bar{\Gamma} \Delta t} \cos(\Delta m \Delta t), \quad \Delta m = m_{\text{heavier}} - m_{\text{lighter}}$$

CPT meson-to-antimeson does not affect  $\Delta t$  spectrum

Following results are preliminary



# Meson interference

After Lorentz boost with  $\kappa$ -deformation of CPT

$$\begin{aligned} I(\Delta t) &\sim (\gamma - \vec{p}^2/(m\kappa))(e^{-\gamma\Gamma_L\Delta t} + e^{-\gamma\Gamma_S\Delta t}) \\ &+ \gamma\Delta t\vec{p}^2/(m\kappa)(\Gamma_L e^{-\gamma\Gamma_L\Delta t} + \Gamma_S e^{-\gamma\Gamma_S\Delta t}) \\ &- 2\gamma e^{-\gamma\bar{\Gamma}\Delta t} [(1 + \bar{\Gamma}\Delta t\vec{p}^2/(m\kappa)) \cos(\gamma\Delta m\Delta t) + \Delta m\Delta t\vec{p}^2/(m\kappa) \sin(\gamma\Delta m\Delta t)] \end{aligned}$$

$\kappa \rightarrow \infty$  is no deformation

Experimental limitation:

Lorentz-amplified oscillation frequency cannot exceed inverse time resolution of experiment

$$\frac{1}{\gamma\Delta m} > \sigma_t$$

# Meson interference

Best time resolution available experimentally today

LHCb gets 0.045 ps in wide momentum range

Corresponds to:

For K

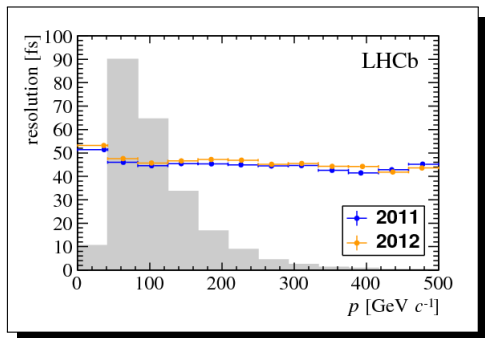
$$\gamma = 4.3$$

$$E = 2.2 \text{ GeV}$$

For B

$$\gamma = 44$$

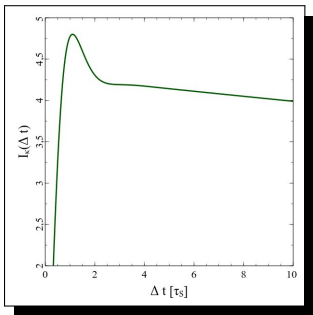
$$E = 232 \text{ GeV}$$



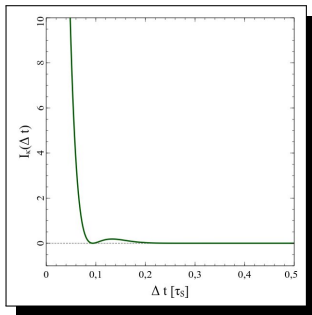
# Meson interference

Monte Carlo estimates of p-values for  $\kappa$  hypotheses, 1

$\phi(1020) \rightarrow K_L K_S$



$\Upsilon(10580) \rightarrow B_H B_L$



Lorentz-boosted spectra

Likelihoods for randomly chosen samples from  $\kappa$ -deformed and non-deformed spectra  $\mathcal{L}(\kappa) = \sum_{i=1}^N I(\Delta t, \kappa)$

Log-likelihood ratio ( $N = 10^6$ ) is asymptotically  $\chi_1^2$

$$\Lambda = -2 \log \frac{\mathcal{L}(\kappa)}{\mathcal{L}(\kappa = \infty)}$$

Probability that  $\kappa \geq \kappa_0$  is larger than 99.9 % for

- $\kappa_0 = 2 \times 10^5$  GeV,  $\phi \rightarrow K_L K_S$
- $\kappa_0 = 1.2 \times 10^8$  GeV,  $\Upsilon \rightarrow B_H B_L$

Limitations weaker than from  $\tau_\mu$  ☹️

- How big is quantum-gravitational deformation?  $\kappa \sim m_{\text{Planck}}$ ?
- A way exists to estimate quantum-gravitational deformation  $\kappa$  by using CPT invariance as a tool
- CPT-violating corrections to energy-momenta  $\sim p^2/(m\kappa)$ , hence high energy desirable
- This kind of CPT violation has Lorentz violation built in
- What kind of observables?  
Precisely known lifetimes and masses, e.g.  $\tau_\mu$   
Precisely measured  $m_\mu$  or  $m_\pi$  but hard to do at high energy
- From  $\tau_\mu$ ,  $\kappa \sim 10^{14}$  GeV at LHC energy, good perspective to  $10^{16}$  GeV at  $\sqrt{s} = 100$  GeV collider
- Neutral-meson interferometry not that promising