

# Cutkosky Cutting Rules in the Deformed Context <sup>1</sup>

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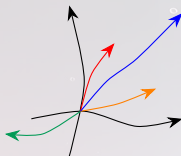
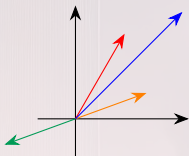
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- ▶ A popular effective approach is based on **non-commutative spacetimes**, where particle motion is effectively **deformed** (with deformation parameter  $1/\kappa$ ).



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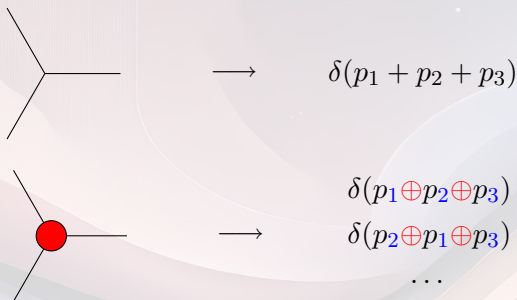
$$\text{sum}((p_1^\kappa, p_2^\kappa), (q_1^\kappa, q_2^\kappa)) = (p_1^\kappa \oplus q_1^\kappa, p_2^\kappa \oplus q_2^\kappa)$$

$$\text{negative}((p_1, p_2)) = (-p_1, -p_2)$$

$$\text{negative}((p_1^\kappa, p_2^\kappa)) = (S(p_1^\kappa), S(p_2^\kappa))$$



Non-trivial composition of momenta  $\implies$  non-trivial rules for conservation of momenta



Even free particles are non-trivial

$$p = -(-p) \quad p = S(S(p)) \quad p \neq -S(p)$$

Greenberg's theorem relates *CPT* invariance with Lorentz invariance of a theory. According to the theorem,

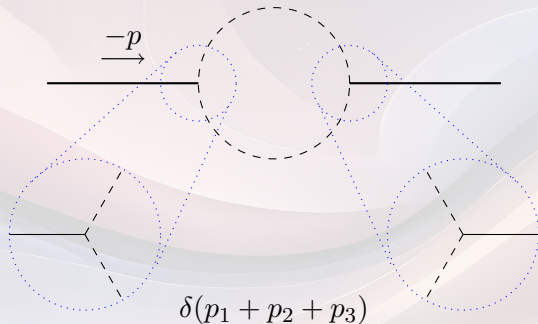
$$\text{Lorentz invariance} \Leftrightarrow \text{CPT invariance}$$

In the deformed context, in general one can have a *CPT* and (deformed) Lorentz invariant action, and yet particles and antiparticles can have different decay times.

Greenberg's theorem does **not** work:  $p \neq -S(p)$ .

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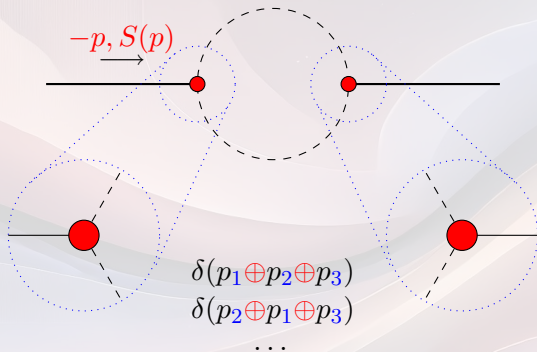
$$\Pi = \text{---} + \text{---} \circ \text{---} \implies \Im(\Pi) \implies \tau$$



Because of *CPT*, particles and antiparticles have the same lifetime.

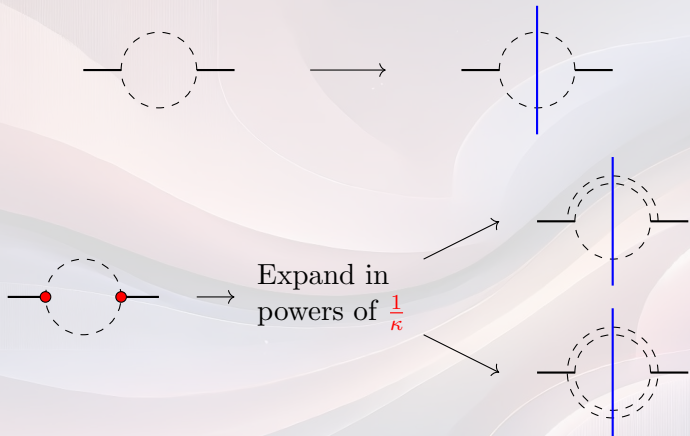
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Particles and antiparticles do **not** behave **necessarily** in the same way!

Despite the differences, it turns out that **the same tool** can extract  $\mathfrak{S}(\Pi)$  both in the (**general**) deformed and the non-deformed case: **Cutkosky cutting rules**.



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- ▶ **Phenomenology:** We can measure particle/antiparticle decays. Thanks to the validity of the Cutkosky cutting rules, we can **exactly** and **straightforwardly** compute the decay width for a wide range of deformed models, and test their predictions against data.

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- ▶ Find out which deformed models may be excluded by current data, or which are more strictly constrained, and understand why.

**Thank you**