

Sensitivity to anomalous $WW\gamma$ couplings at the LHC

Oldřich Kepka, Christophe Royon

Institute of Physics, Center for Particle Physics, Prague
DAPNIA-SPP, CEA Saclay

October 18, 2007
Workshop on Hard Diffraction at the LHC, Krakow

- Effective lagrangian
- Observables sensitive to anomalous coupling
- Outlook

WW γ Triple Gauge Boson Vertex

Potential scenario:

- New physics modify the self-interaction of gauge bosons
- It occurs at an energy scale well above that probed experimentally
- Can be integrated out → result expressed as set of anomalous vertices

Most general effective Lagrangian (conserving C and P separately):

$$\mathcal{L}/g_{WW\gamma} = i(W_{\mu\nu}^\dagger W^\mu A^\nu - W_{\mu\nu} W^{\dagger\mu} A^\nu) + i\kappa^\gamma W_\mu^\dagger W_\nu A^{\mu\nu} + i\frac{\lambda^\gamma}{M_W^2} W_{\rho\mu}^\dagger W_\nu^\mu A^{\nu\rho}$$

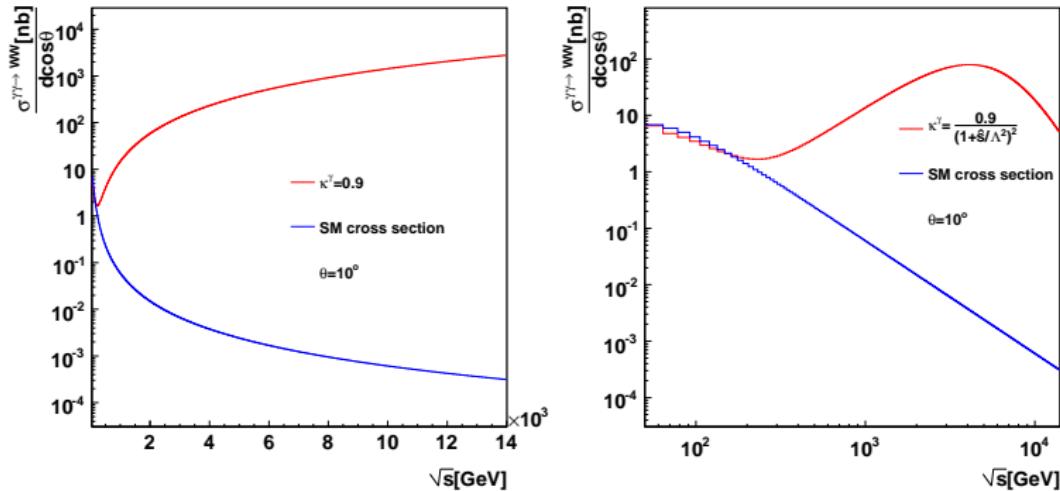
$$\begin{aligned} W_{\mu\nu} &\equiv \partial_\mu W_\nu - \partial_\nu W_\mu \\ g_{WW\gamma} &= -e \end{aligned}$$

Recovering SM:

- $\kappa^\gamma \rightarrow 1$
- $\lambda^\gamma \rightarrow 0$

Unitarity breaking

- Small modification of $\kappa^\gamma, \lambda^\gamma$ leads to a violation of unitarity

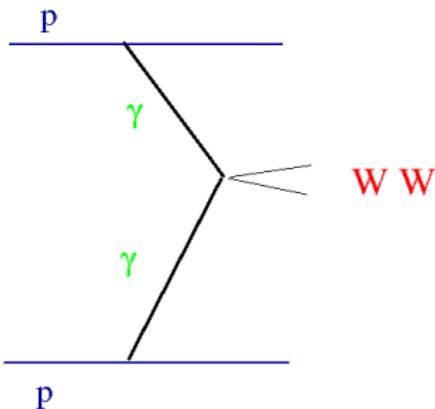


- To avoid that, the deviation from SM $\kappa^\gamma, \lambda^\gamma$ supplemented with form factors
- Precise form not known - a conventional form:

$$\kappa^\gamma \rightarrow \frac{\kappa^\gamma}{(1 + \hat{s}/\Lambda^2)^2}, \quad \lambda^\gamma \rightarrow \frac{\lambda^\gamma}{(1 + \hat{s}/\Lambda^2)^2}$$

QED WW production at the LHC

In the process $p + p \rightarrow p\gamma\gamma p \rightarrow pW^+W^-p$



- Moving charged particle is accompanied by the photon field, photons interact
- $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow W^+W^-$ - three diagrams in SM
- Using roman pots to detect the protons
- Event topology:
 - lepton + jet
 - lepton + lepton
 - jet+jet - rejected because it has large QCD background
- → trigger on leptons from the W decays

Monte Carlo implementation

- The photon spectrum is calculated in WWA ([Weizsäcker-Williams approximation](#))
- The photon flux implemented in the DPEMC Monte Carlo
- DPEMC interfaced with [O'Mega](#)
 - Generic code that allows to generate LO matrix elements for a given process
 - User can implement any model by defining Feynman rules
 - SM, SM with anomalous WWV , SUSY, QCD...

[Aim of the study:](#)

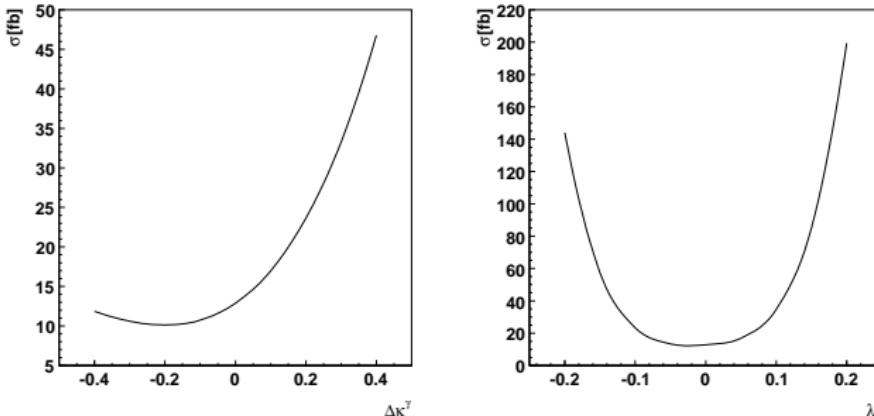
- To find observables that are sensitive to the anomalous couplings

Total cross section $pp \rightarrow pWWp$

- $\sigma^{pp \rightarrow pWWp} = 12.8 \text{ fb}$ (SM: $\kappa^\gamma = 1, \lambda^\gamma = 0$)
- Reminder: luminosity at the LHC $\mathcal{L} = 5 \dots 500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Introducing new notation:

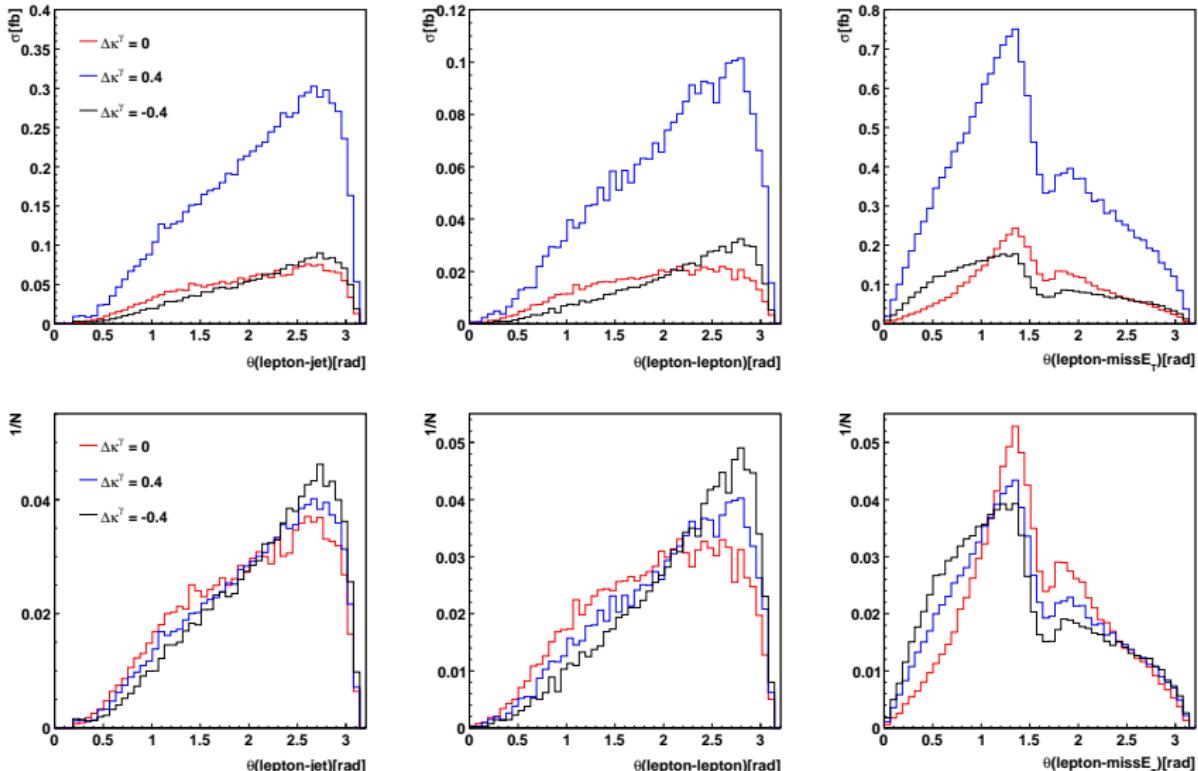
- $\Delta\kappa^\gamma$ deviation from the standard model $\rightarrow \kappa^\gamma = 1 + \Delta\kappa^\gamma$



Current limits:
CDF(2007) $-0.46 < \Delta\kappa^\gamma < 0.39$ $-0.18 < \lambda^\gamma < 0.17$
DELPHI $-0.19 < \Delta\kappa^\gamma < 0.84$ $-0.36 < \lambda^\gamma < 0.31$

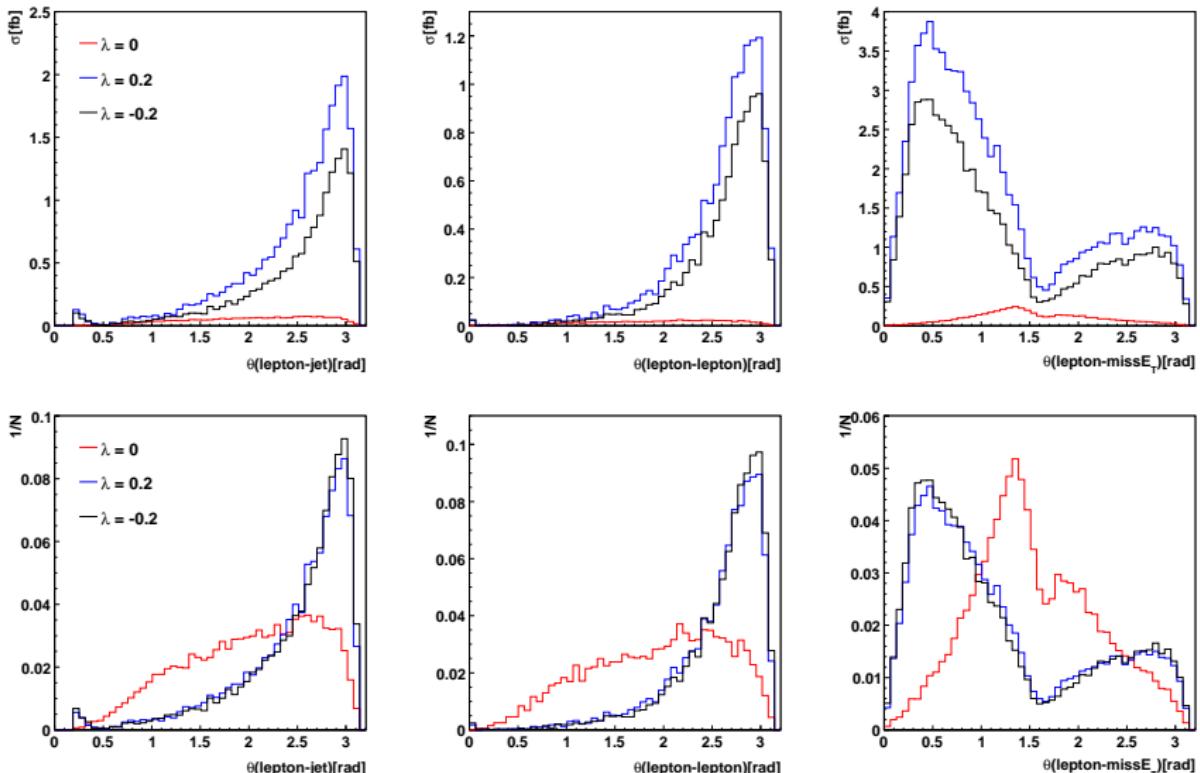
- Enhancement of the cross section, except for some values of $\Delta\kappa^\gamma$

Angular distributions - $\Delta\kappa^\gamma$



- Shape of angular distributions **is not greatly sensitive** to $\Delta\kappa^\gamma$

Angular distributions - λ^γ



- Shape of angular distributions **is sensitive** to λ^γ

Conclusion of the first study

- SM cross section $\sigma^{pp \rightarrow pWWp} = 12.8 \text{ fb}$ moderate (e.g. exclusive Higgs production $\sigma \sim 1 \text{ fb}$)
- Total cross section sensitive to both the TGCs $\kappa^\gamma, \lambda^\gamma$
- Shape of the angular distribution between leading jet, lepton and missing E_T sensitive to λ^γ

Further studies:

- Must take the acceptance of the roman pots into account ($\sim 30\%$)
- Background study - mainly WW produced in double pomeron exchange (100 higher cross section)

BACKUP SLIDES

Relations:

- Magnetic moment of W: $\mu_W = \frac{e}{2m_W}(1 + \kappa^\gamma + \lambda^\gamma)$
- Electric quadratic moment of W: $\mu_W = \frac{e}{m_W^2}(\kappa^\gamma - \lambda^\gamma)$