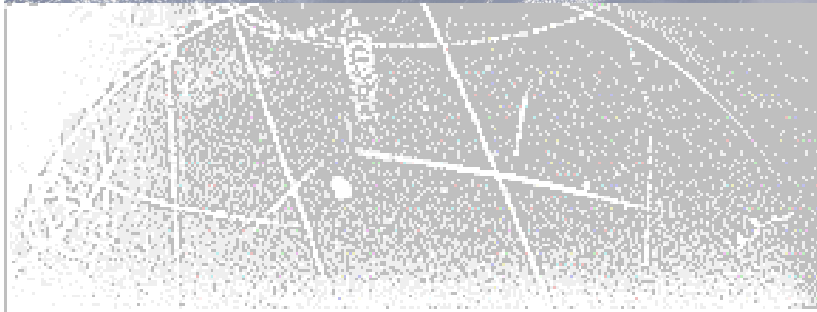


Kaons as high precision probes at CERN: From NA48 to P-326



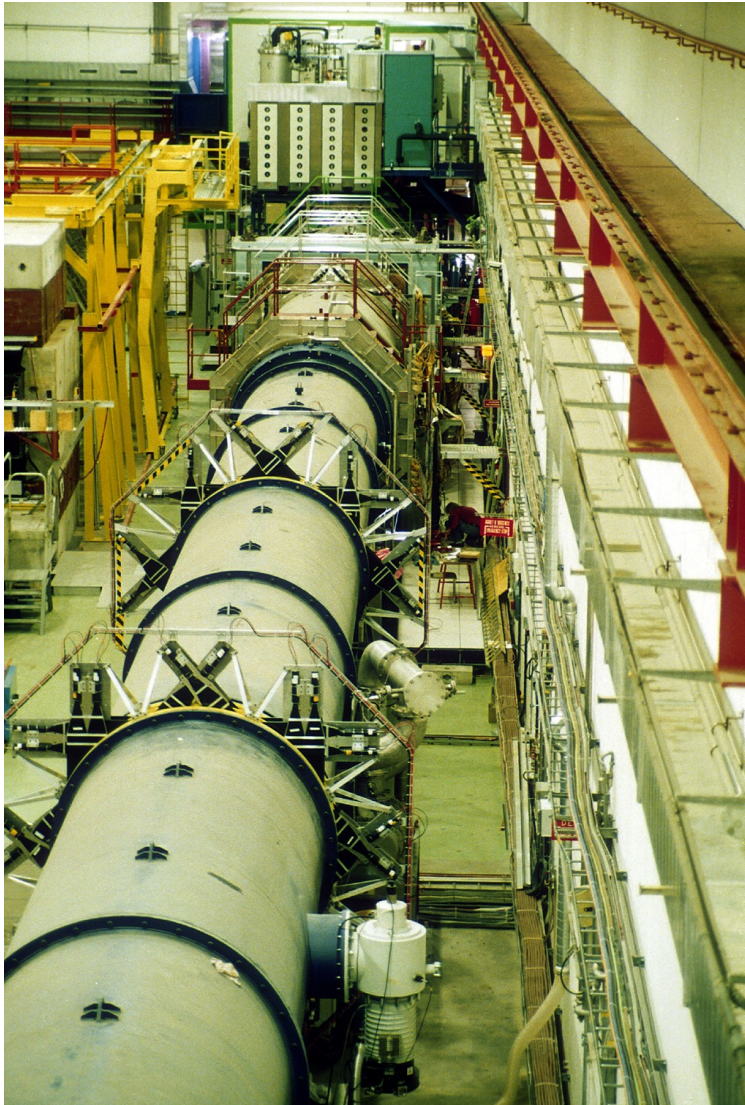
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Joint meeting of Pacific Region Particle Physics Communities
October 30th 2006

MENU

- **Appetizer:** fast forward from the past
Direct CPV, η mass, K_S rare decays
- **Main course:** recent achievements
CPV in $K \rightarrow 3\pi$ decays
Radiative decays
Ke4 decays
 $\pi\pi$ scattering lengths
Semileptonics
Leptonics
- **Dessert:** the future program
Towards ultra-rare decays
- *Doggy bag...*





Once upon a time in Geneva...

NA48 [ɛn eɪ fôr'tē āt]: *n.*,

1. International collaboration (b. 1989) of 120–odd physicists formed by Cagliari, Cambridge, Edinburgh, Ferrara, Firenze, Mainz, Northwestern, Perugia, Pisa, Siegen, Torino, Warsaw universities, CERN, JINR Dubna, LAL Orsay, CEA Saclay and HEPHY Vienna to work on a particle physics experiment searching for direct CP violation in kaons at CERN

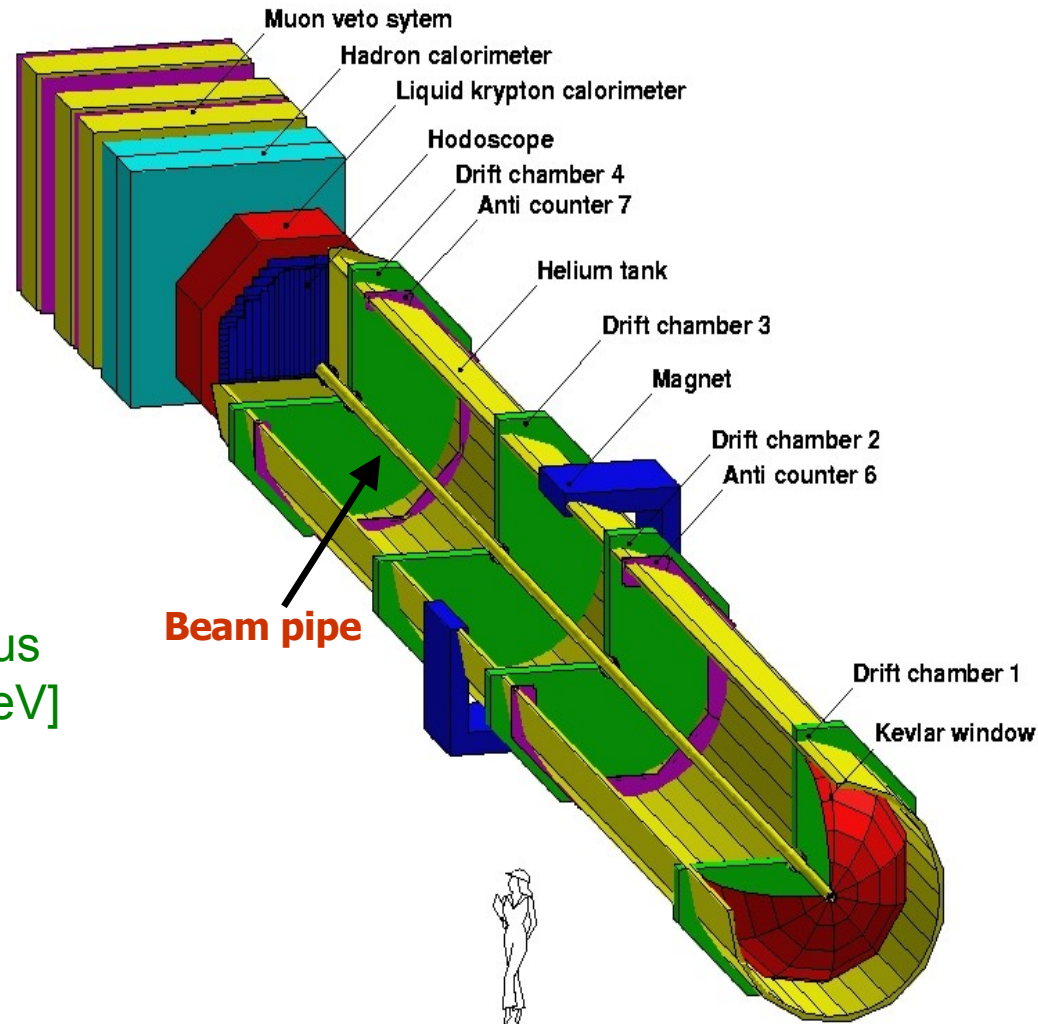
CERN/SPSC/90-22
SPSC/P253
20 July 1990

PROPOSAL FOR
A PRECISION MEASUREMENT OF ϵ'/ϵ IN CP VIOLATING $K^0 \rightarrow 2\pi$ DECAYS

The NA48 detector

Main detector components:

- **Magnetic spectrometer (4 DCHs):**
4 views: redundancy \Rightarrow efficiency
 $\sigma_p/p = 1.0\% + 0.044\% p [\text{GeV}/c]$
- **Hodoscope**
Fast trigger
Precise time measurement (150ps)
- **Liquid Krypton EM calorimeter (LKr)**
High granularity, quasi-homogeneous
 $\sigma_E/E = 3.2\%/\sqrt{E} + 9\%/E + 0.42\% [\text{GeV}]$
e/ π discrimination
- **Hadron calorimeter, photon vetos, muon veto counters**



The story so far...

NA48: ε'/ε		
ε'/ε		
ε'/ε		K_S
K_L	no spectrometer	K_S
ε'/ε		K_S
NA48/1: K_S		
NA48/2: K^\pm		
NA48/2: K^\pm		

1997

1998

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2000

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2002

2003

2004

- **NA48:**

- The quest for direct CP violation
- Rare K_L decays

- **NA48/1:**

- Rare K_S decays
- Hyperon decays

- **NA48/2:**

- Direct CP violation searches
- Study of $\pi\pi\pi$ interactions
- Rare K^\pm decays

**3 experiments in 1:
a multi-purpose
kaon laboratory**



NA48: Direct CP violation: ϵ'/ϵ

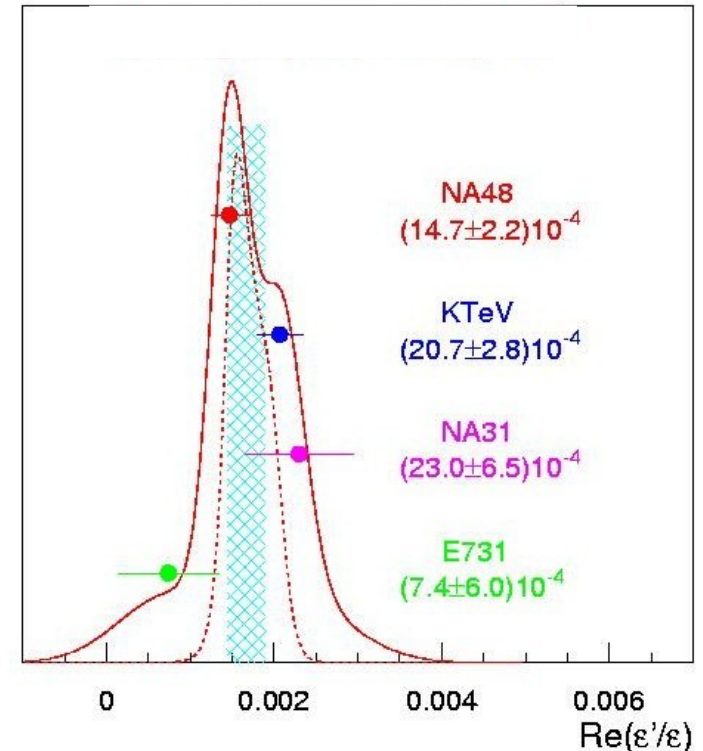
1999: proof of direct CP violation (after 36 years!) at $>7 \sigma$

World average: $\text{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon) = (16.3 \pm 2.3) \cdot 10^{-4}$

$$\frac{\Gamma(K^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) - \Gamma(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)}{\Gamma(K^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) + \Gamma(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)} = (5.04 \pm 0.82) \times 10^{-6}$$

BREAKING NEWS !!!

Italo Mannelli (Pisa), Heinrich Wahl (CERN) and Bruce Winstein (Chicago) receive the 2007 Panofsky Prize of the American Physical Society, for their leading role in a series of experiments on precision experiments with kaons

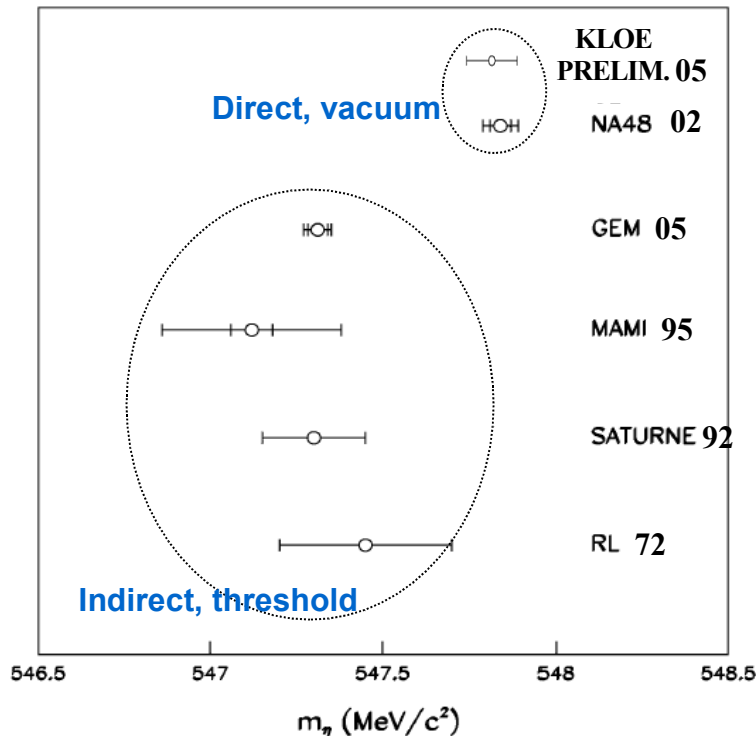


NA48: η mass

No sensitivity to absolute E scale
(normalization to π^0 mass)

$$M_\eta = (547.843 \pm 0.030 \pm 0.041) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

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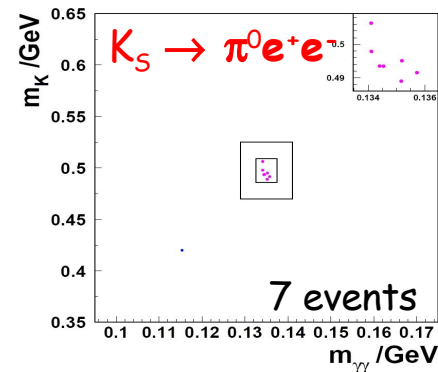
NA48/1: K_S decays

December 10, 1999

CERN/SPSC 2000-002
SPSC/P253 ADD.2

ADDENDUM 2 TO P253

A high sensitivity investigation of K_S and neutral hyperon decays using a modified K_S beam.

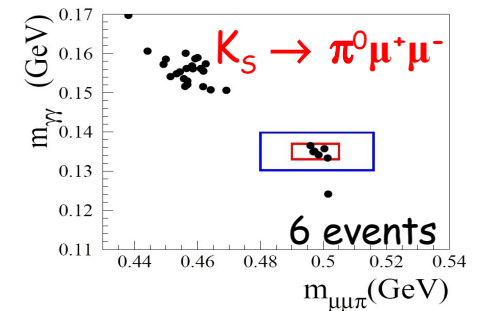


Highlight:
first measurements
of $K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 l^+ l^-$

$$\text{BR} = (5.8^{+2.8}_{-2.3} \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-9}$$

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Outcome:
indirect CPV
dominates
in $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 l^+ l^-$



$$\text{BR} = (2.8^{+1.5}_{-1.2} \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-9}$$

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CERN/SPSC 2000-003
CERN/SPSC/P253 add.3
January 16, 2000

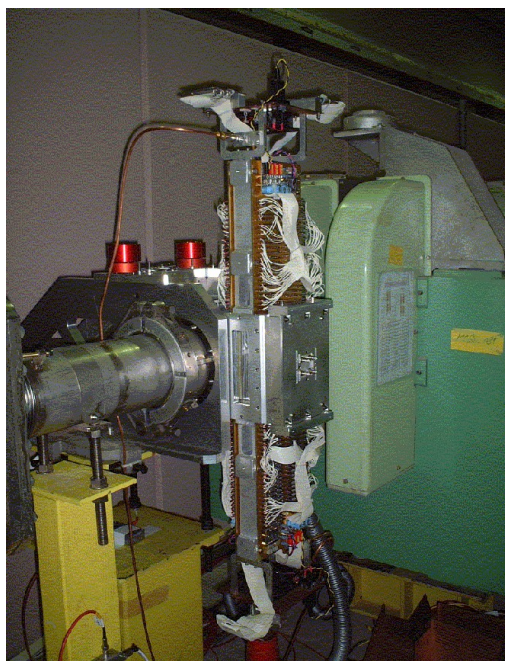
NA48/2: simultaneous K^\pm decays

ADDENDUM III
(to Proposal P253/CERN/SPSC)
for a Precision Measurement of Charged Kaon Decay Parameters with an
Extended NA48 Setup

- (1) Search for direct **CPV asymmetries** in $K \rightarrow 3\pi$ decays
- (2) Extraction of **$\pi\pi$ scattering lengths** from $Ke4$ decays
- (3) High sensitivity study of **rare decays** (and TV, CPV)

Data taking completed (2003 and 2004, 110 days)

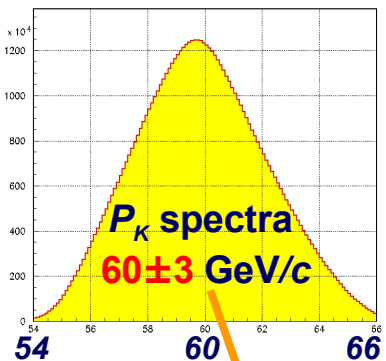
10^{11} K^\pm through experiment, ~ 200 TB of data recorded



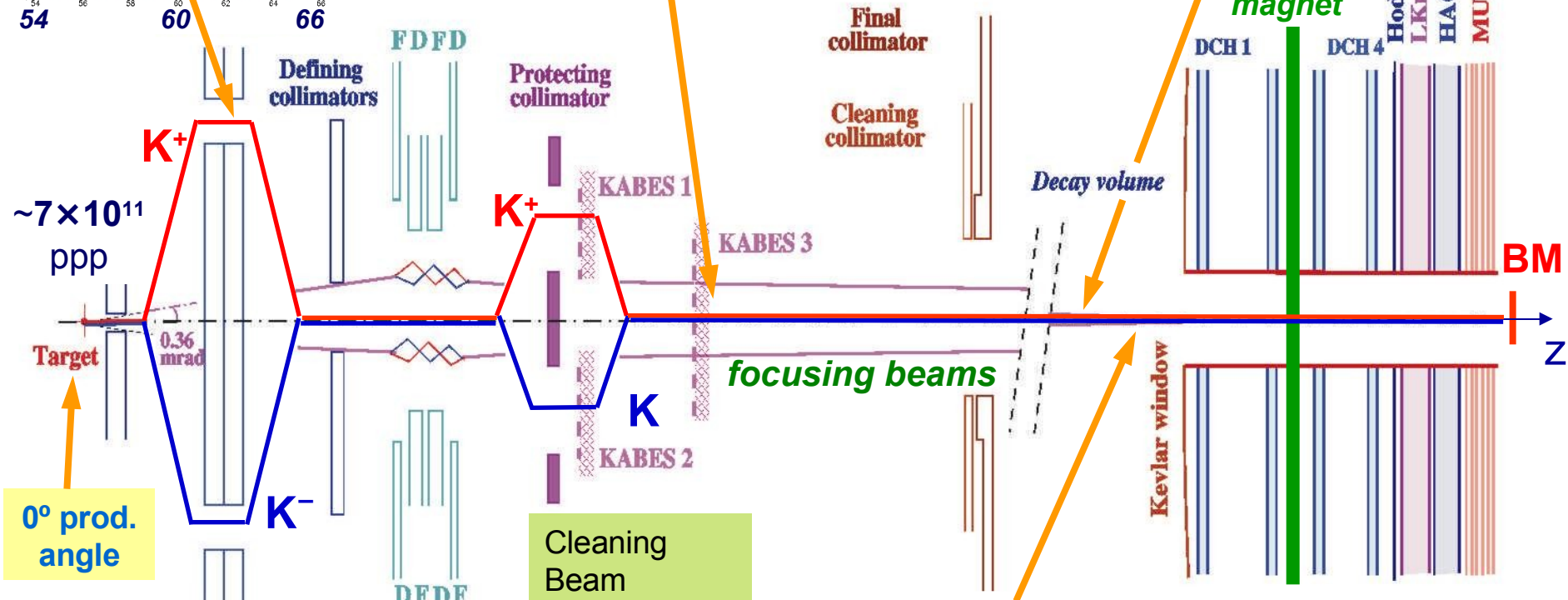
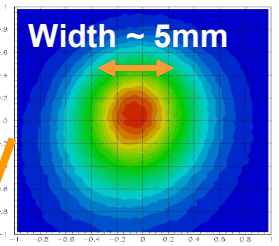
➔
New beam line with
two achromatic
magnet quadruplets
with K magnetic
spectrometer:
MICROMEGA TPC
(0.7% resolution) at
 2×10^7 particles/s
<100 ps time resol.
←



NA48/2 beams



2 ÷ 3 M K/spill ($\pi/K \sim 12$)
 π decay products stay in pipe
 K^+/K^- flux ≈ 1.8



$\sim 7 \times 10^{11}$
ppp

0° prod. angle

K^+

K^-

K^+

K

focusing beams

Decay volume

magnet

Kevlar window

BM

z

Momentum selection

Focusing μ sweeping

Cleaning Beam spectrometer

Beams coincide within ~ 1 mm
 all along 114m decay volume,
 always in vacuum

10^{11} K decays per year collected



(Direct) CP violation in $K_{\pi 3}$

Kinematics:

$$s_i = (P_K - P_{\pi_i})^2 \quad i=1,2,3 \quad (3=\text{odd } \pi)$$

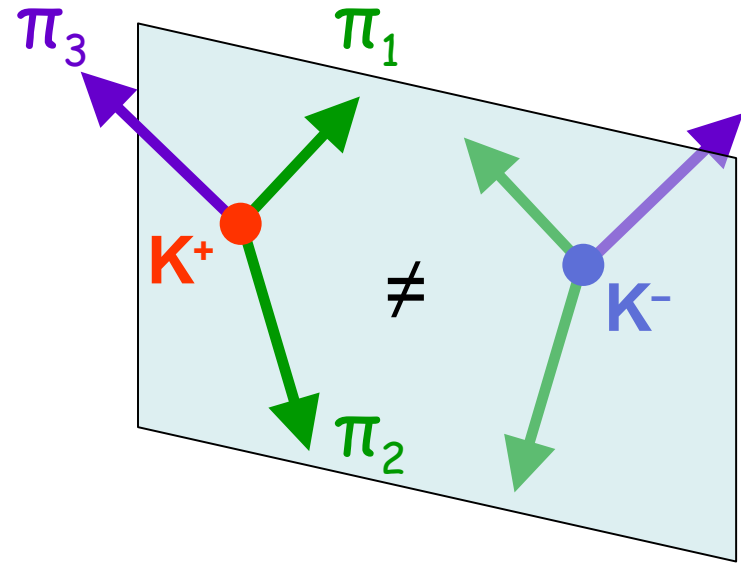
$$s_0 = (s_1 + s_2 + s_3)/3$$

$$u = (s_3 - s_0)/m_{\pi}^2 = 2m_K(m_K/3 - E_{\text{odd}}^*)/m_{\pi}^2$$

$$v = (s_2 - s_1)/m_{\pi}^2 = 2m_K(E_1^* - E_2^*)/m_{\pi}^2$$

Matrix element:

$$|M(u,v)|^2 \sim 1 + gu + hu^2 + kv^2$$



$$A_g = (g_+ - g_-)/(g_+ + g_-) \neq 0 ?$$

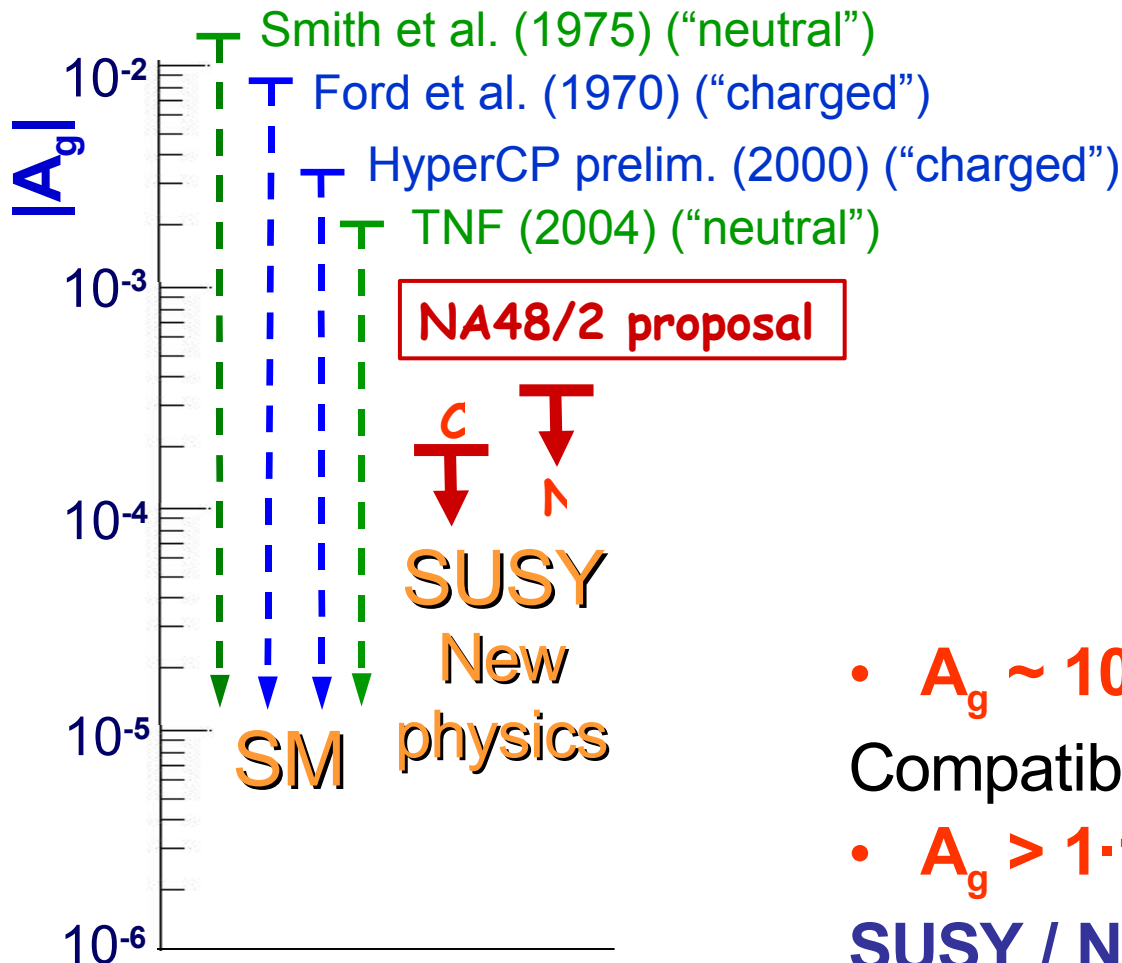
$$K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^+ \pi^- \quad (\tau) \quad g = -0.2154 \pm 0.0035$$

$$K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^0 \pi^0 \quad (\tau') \quad g = 0.652 \pm 0.031$$

$$|h|, |k| \ll |g|$$

Potentially large effects (isospin)
 Simple selection
 Low backgrounds
 No absolute K flux measurement:
 compare only Dalitz plot **shapes**

K^\pm asymmetries: status



THEORY:

SM contribution: many theoretical computations from several groups
 Large uncertainties (~1 order of magnitude) esp. for “neutral”

Rate asymmetries further suppressed

Some enhancements possible **beyond SM**

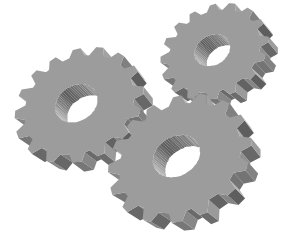
- $A_g \sim 10^{-5}$

Compatible with **SM**

- $A_g > 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$

SUSY / New Physics

The experimental method



Exploit maximal cancellations

- Simultaneous K^+ and K^- beams, superimposed in space, with narrow momentum spectra
- Detect asymmetry only from slopes of ratios of normalized u distributions
- Equalize averaged K^+ and K^- acceptances by frequently alternating polarities of relevant magnets

Project Dalitz plot onto u -axis

Neglect asymmetries in quadratic slopes

If acceptance is equal for K^+ and K^-

$$R(u) = N^+(u)/N^-(u) \approx n \cdot (1+g_+u)/(1+g_-u) \approx n \cdot (1+ \Delta g u)$$

from which $\Delta g = \Delta g/2g$ is extracted

***Any imperfection has to be charge-asymmetric
AND non-flat in u to induce an effect***

Acceptance cancellation

Detector left-right asymmetry cancels
in 4 ratios of K^+ over K^- u distributions:

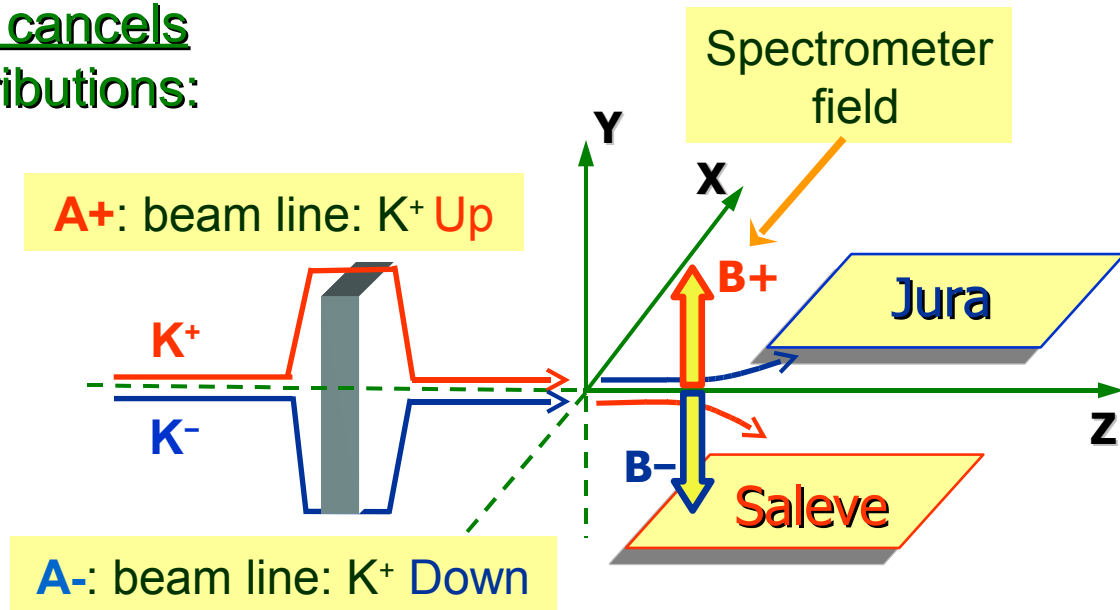
(same deviation by spectrometer
in numerator and denominator)

$$R_{US} = \frac{N(A+B+K^+)}{N(A+B-K^-)}$$

$$R_{UJ} = \frac{N(A+B-K^+)}{N(A+B+K^-)}$$

$$R_{DS} = \frac{N(A-B+K^+)}{N(A-B-K^-)}$$

$$R_{DJ} = \frac{N(A-B-K^+)}{N(A-B+K^-)}$$



- **Beam line** (achromat) polarity (A) reversed on weekly basis
- **Spectrometer magnet** polarity (B) reversed on daily or 3h basis

Analysis does not rely on Monte Carlo

More cancellations

Fit with quadruple ratio:

Cancel global time instabilities

$$R = \frac{N(A+B+K+)}{N(A+B-K-)} \frac{N(A+B-K+)}{N(A+B+K-)} \frac{N(A-B+K+)}{N(A-B-K-)} \frac{N(A-B-K+)}{N(A-B+K-)}$$

Cancel beam differences

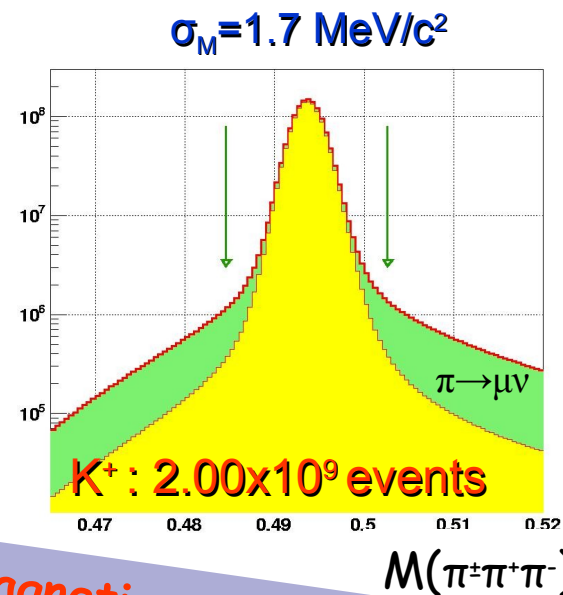
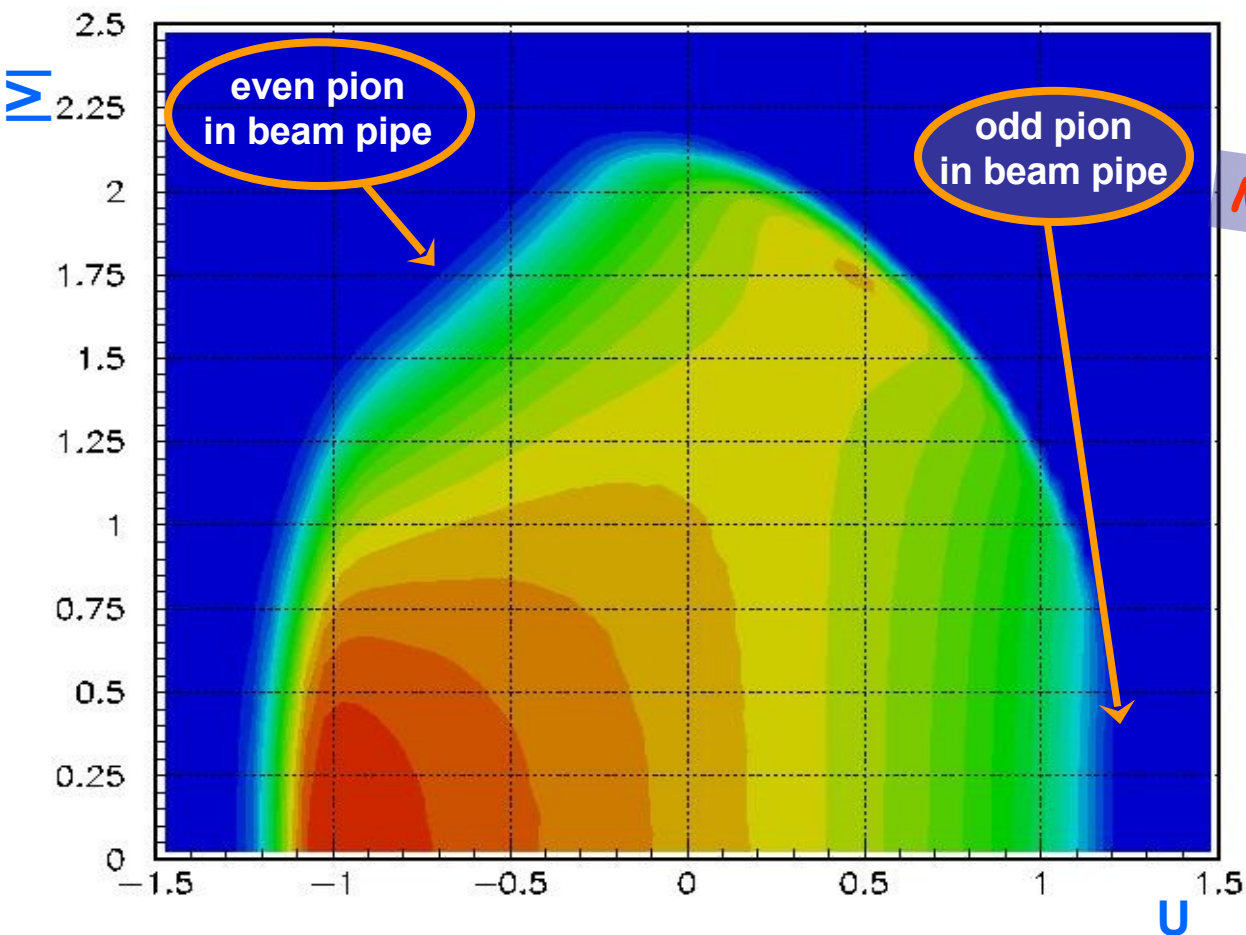
$$R = n \cdot (1 + 4 \Delta g u)$$

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Normalization Slope difference

The fit result is sensitive only to **time variation** of **left-right asymmetries** of experimental conditions on a time-scale of ~ 1 subsample

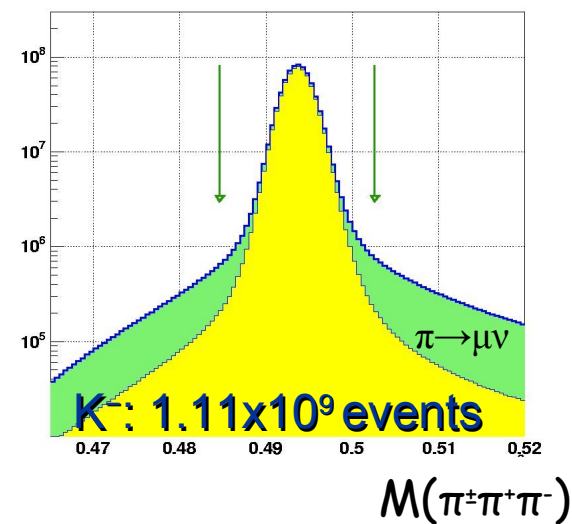


Final sample 2003+2004:
 3.1×10^9 events selected ($K^{+} / K^{-} \approx 1.8$)



Magnetic spectrometer only

No significant background



$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$ asymmetry results

PRELIMINARY

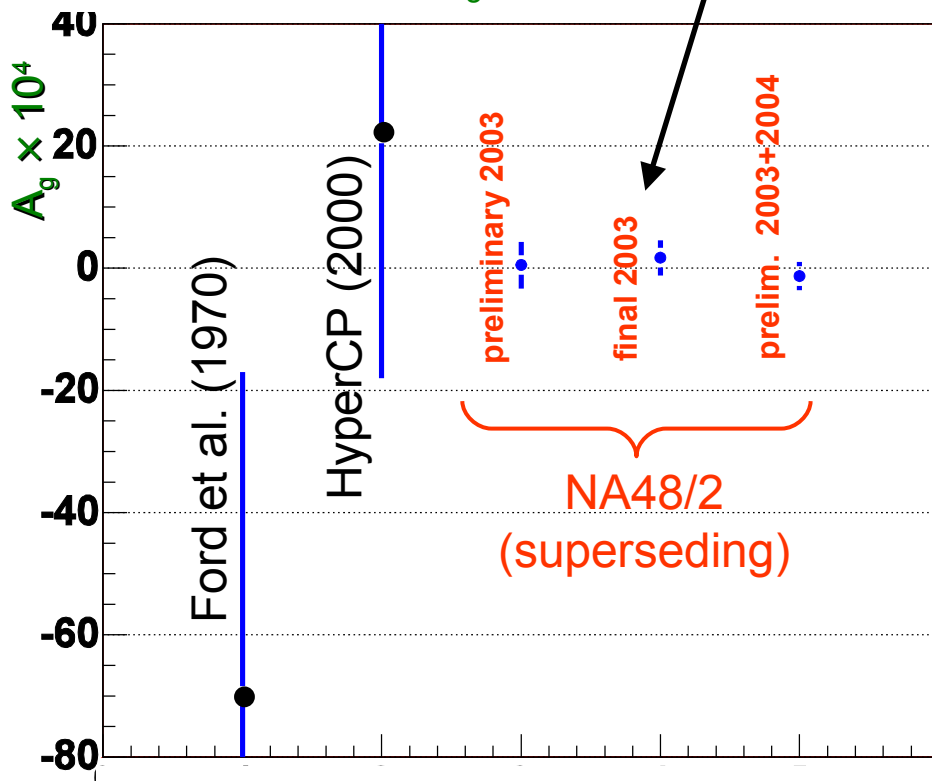
based on full statistics
accumulated in
the 2003 and 2004 runs

$$A_g = (1.3 \pm 1.5_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.9_{\text{trig}} \pm 1.4_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$A_g = (1.3 \pm 2.3) \times 10^{-4}$$

Measurements of A_g

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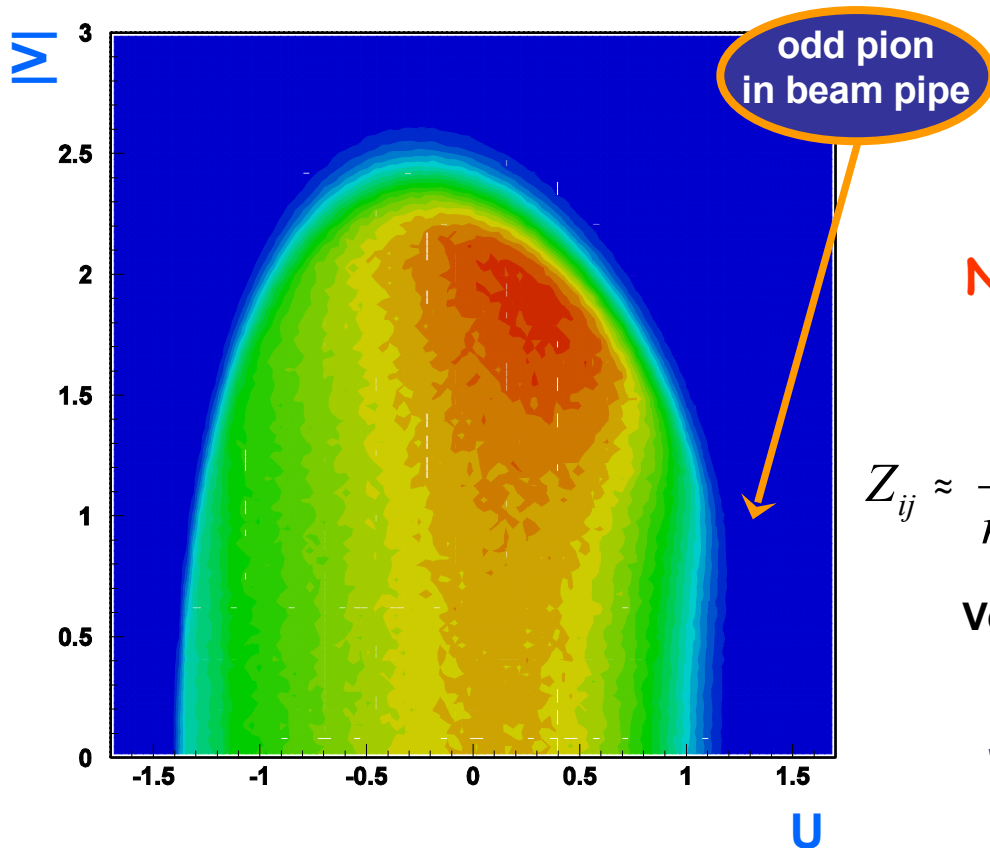


- Factor ~20 higher precision than previous measurements
- Statistical uncertainties dominate
- No CPV found
Compatible with SM estimates
- Design goal reached
Systematics finalized soon

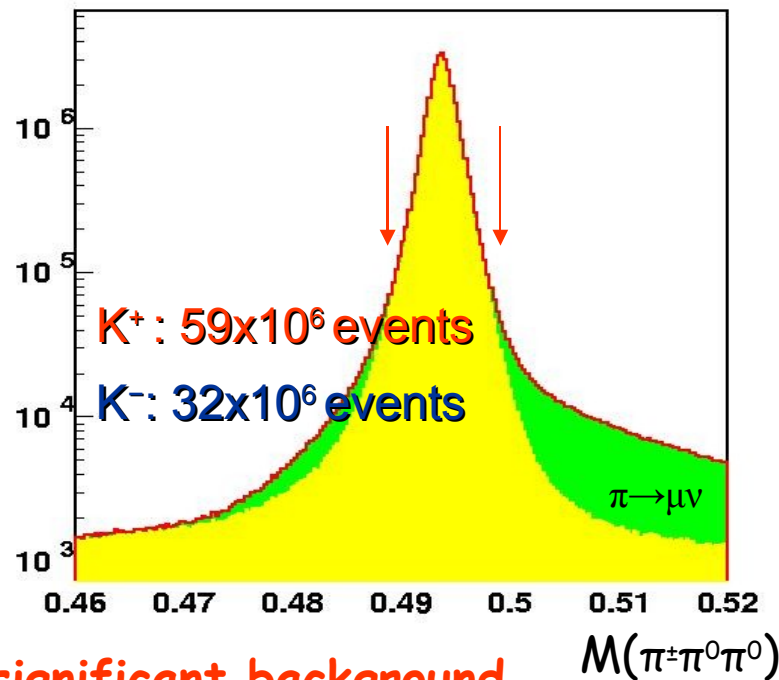
New physics window closed



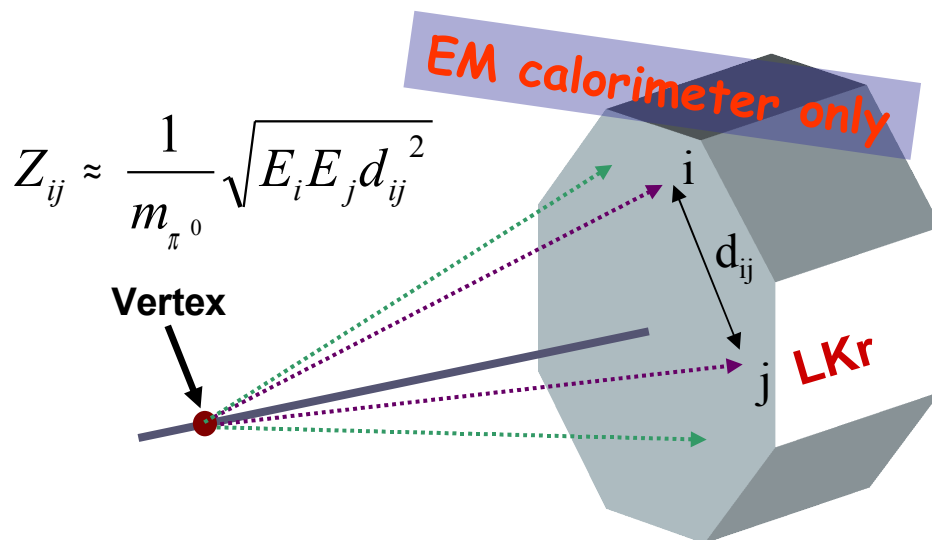
Final sample 2003+2004:
 0.91×10^8 events selected ($K^+ / K^- \approx 1.8$)



$\sigma_m = 0.9 \text{ MeV}/c^2$



No significant background



$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$ asymmetry results

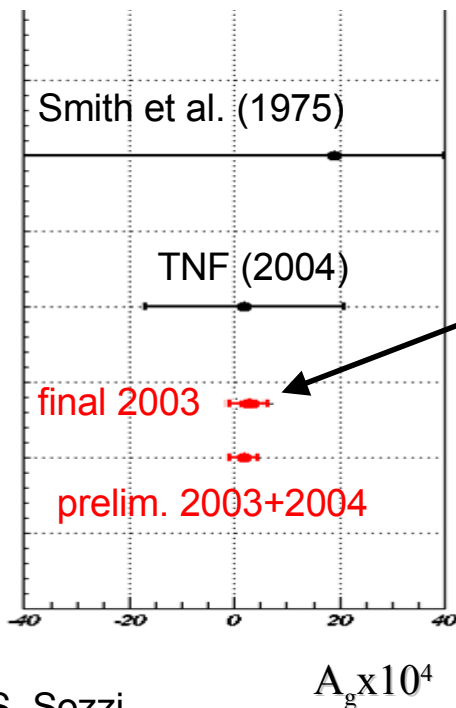
PRELIMINARY
based on full statistics
accumulated in
the 2003 and 2004 runs

$$A_g = (2.1 \pm 1.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.0_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.2_{\text{ext}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$A_g = (2.1 \pm 1.9) \times 10^{-4}$$

Statistics much lower than for “charged” mode
But more favourable Dalitz-plot distribution
Quadratic slope cannot be neglected

Measurements of A_g



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New physics window closed

$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$ Dalitz plot

Experiment designed for asymmetry measurements

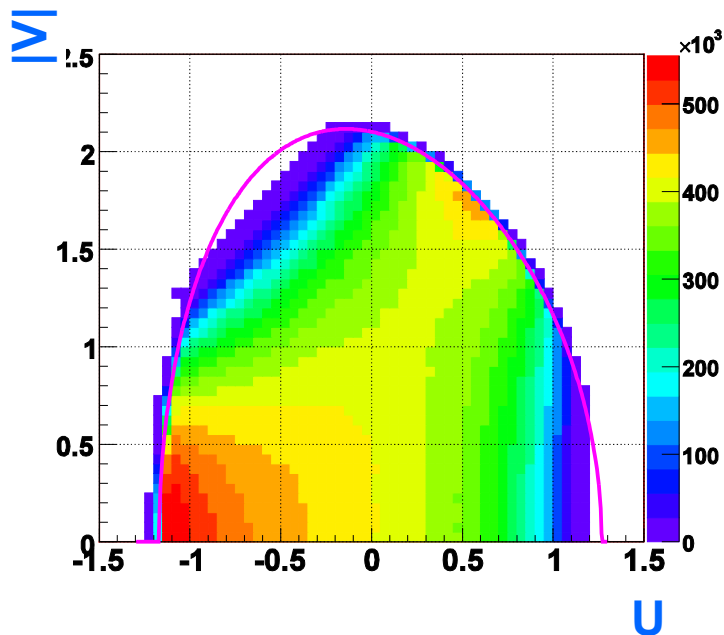
Still, unprecedented statistics allows improvement in slope measurements

Deliberately ignore non-analytic (see later) and radiative effects

Full MC tuning, agreement to 10^{-3} level

$$d\Gamma/dudv \sim C(u,v) \times (1 + gu + hu^2 + kv^2)$$

Naïve Coulomb correction



Preliminary results
from partial 2003 statistics
(0.47×10^9 events)

$$g = -21.131 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.005$$

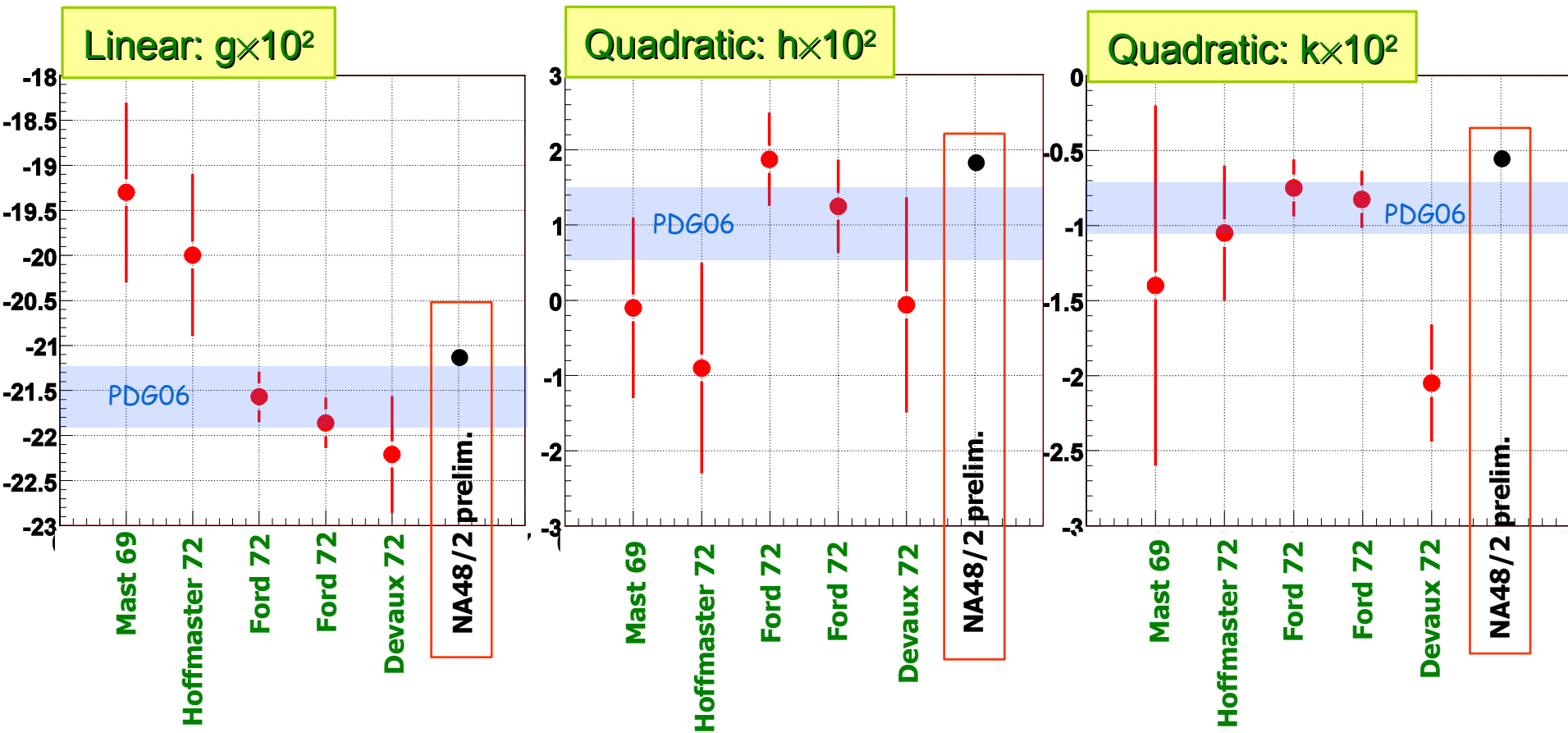
$$h = 1.829 \pm 0.017 \pm 0.031$$

$$k = -0.467 \pm 0.005 \pm 0.009$$

“Naïve” slopes (comparable with PDG)

Systematics dominated by π mom. resolution

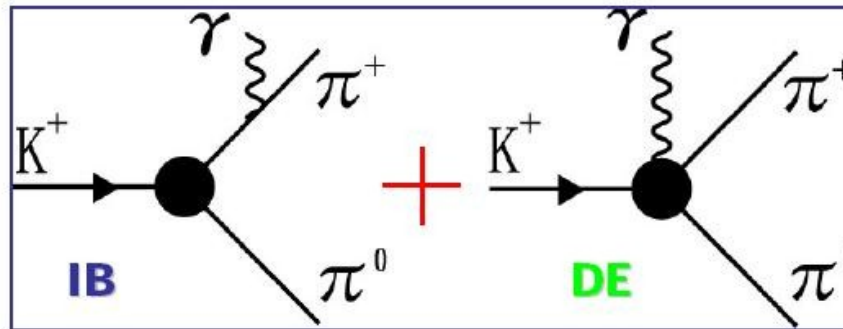
$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$ Dalitz plot



One order of magnitude improvement in precision



BR $\sim 3 \cdot 10^{-4}$ IB dominates, DE measured, interference term not yet



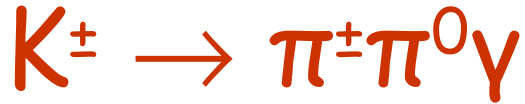
$$W^2 = \frac{(P_K^* \cdot P_\gamma^*)(P_\pi^* \cdot P_\gamma^*)}{(m_k m_\pi)^2}$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma^\pm}{dW} \simeq \underbrace{\left(\frac{d\Gamma^\pm}{dW}\right)_{IB}}_{IB} \left[1 + \underbrace{2 \left(\frac{m_\pi}{m_K}\right)^2 W^2 |E| \cos((\delta_1 - \delta_0) \pm \phi)}_{INT} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{m_\pi}{m_K}\right)^4 W^4 (|E|^2 + |M|^2)}_{DE} \right]$$

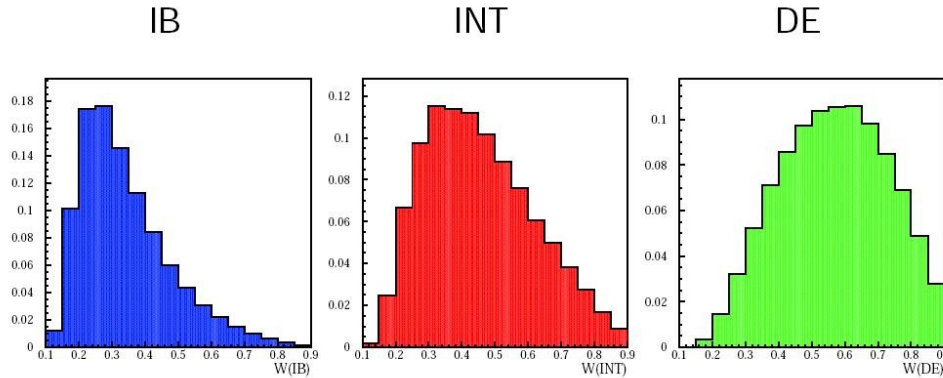
INT term could give CPV asymmetry

$$|\varepsilon'_{+0\gamma}| < \sim 10^{-4}$$

$$A_\Gamma = \frac{\Gamma^+ - \Gamma^-}{\Gamma^+ + \Gamma^-} \propto \varepsilon'_{+0\gamma} \tan(\Delta \delta) \quad \Gamma^\pm = \int dE_\gamma \left[\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial E_\gamma} - \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial E_\gamma} \Big|_{IB} \right]$$



Background (3π) <1% of DE



Separation by photon spectrum (W)

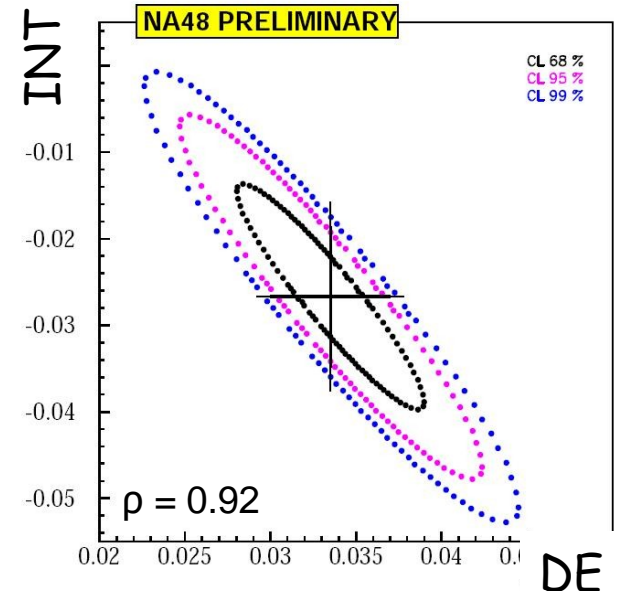
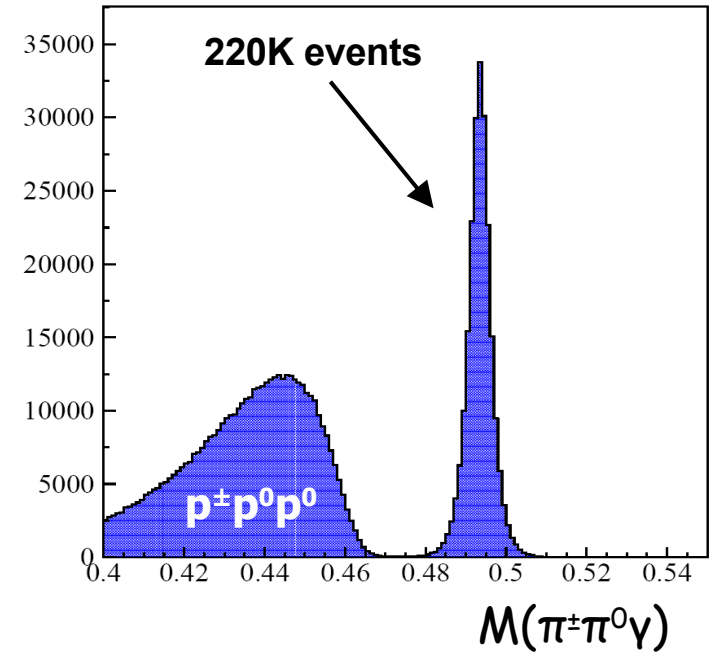
NA48/2 (2006) **preliminary**: (30% sample)

First indication of INT

Systematics from trigger efficiency (improved in 2004)

$$Frac(DE)_{0 < T_\pi^* < 80 MeV} = (3.35 \pm 0.35_{stat} \pm 0.25_{syst})\%$$

$$Frac(INT)_{0 < T_\pi^* < 80 MeV} = (-2.67 \pm 0.81_{stat} \pm 0.73_{syst})\%$$



$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-e^\pm\nu$ ($Ke4$) decays

“Classical” way to extract well-predicted difference of s-wave $\pi\pi$ scattering lengths (predicted by QCD at 2% – quark condensate)
Theoretical input required

Form factors

$$F = F_s e^{i\delta_0^0} + F_p e^{i\delta_1^1} \cos\theta + \text{d-wave...}$$

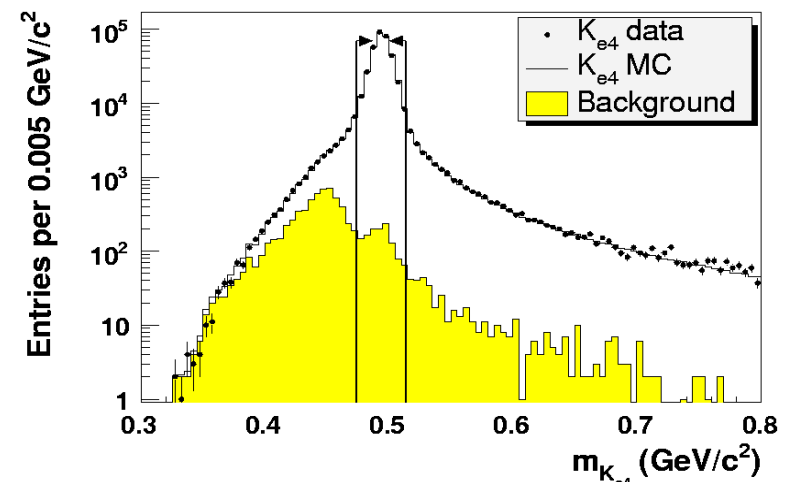
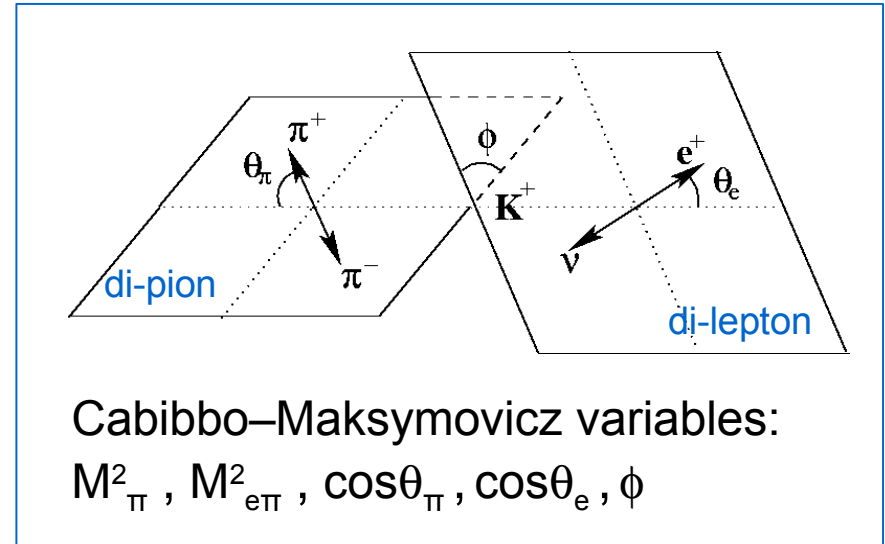
$$G = G_p e^{i\delta_1^1} + \text{d-wave...}$$

$$H = H_p e^{i\delta_1^1} + \text{d-wave...}$$

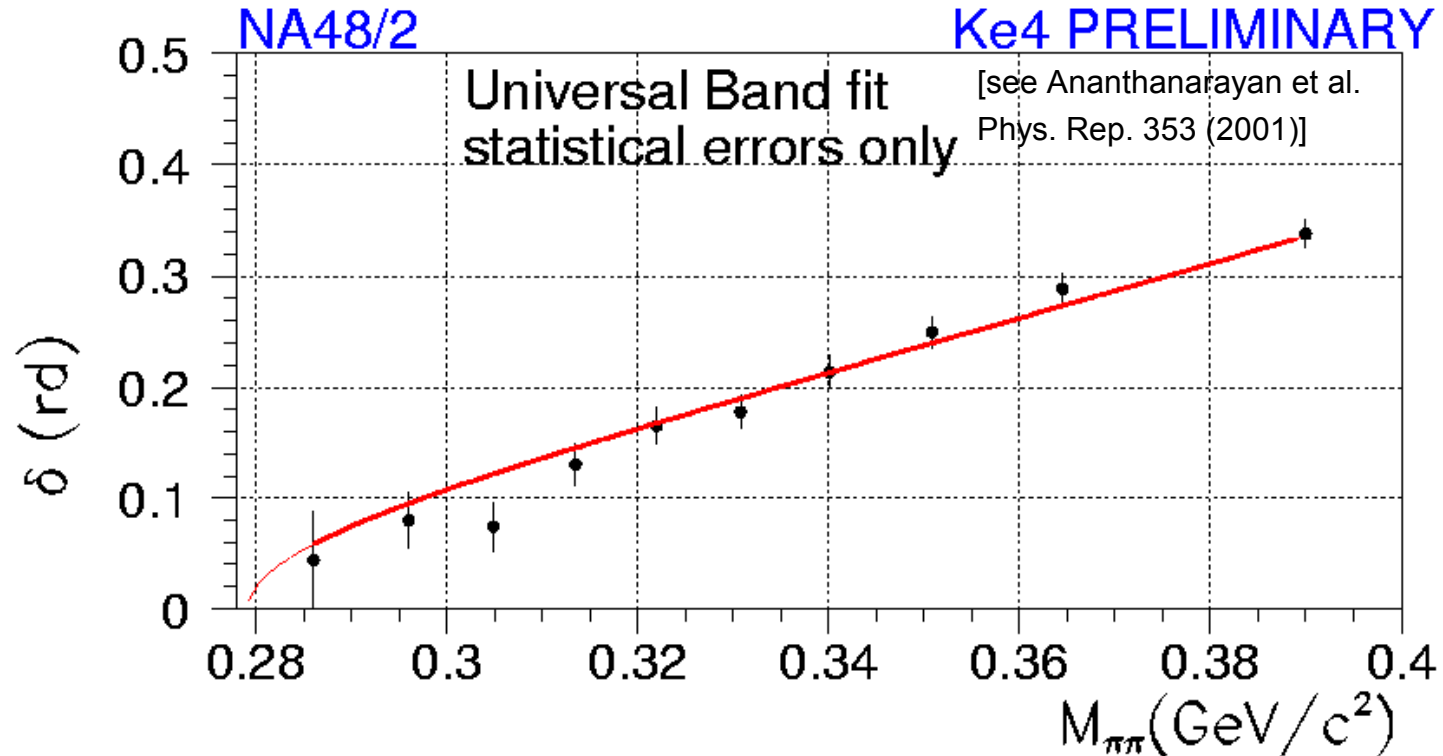
Keep only s- and p-waves (small q^2)
and rotate by $\delta_1^1 \rightarrow 5$ form factors

(30% of sample) ~ 370000 events
with 0.5% background

10 independent fits on equal-population bins in 5-dim space
(each $M_{\pi\pi}$ bin)



Ke4 results



$\delta = \delta_0^0 - \delta_1^1$ distribution fitted with 1 parameter a_0^0

New NA48/2 preliminary (350K events):

$$a_0^0 = 0.256 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.007 \pm 0.018$$

(and $a_0^2 = -0.031 \pm 0.015 \pm 0.015 \pm 0.009$ using U.B.)

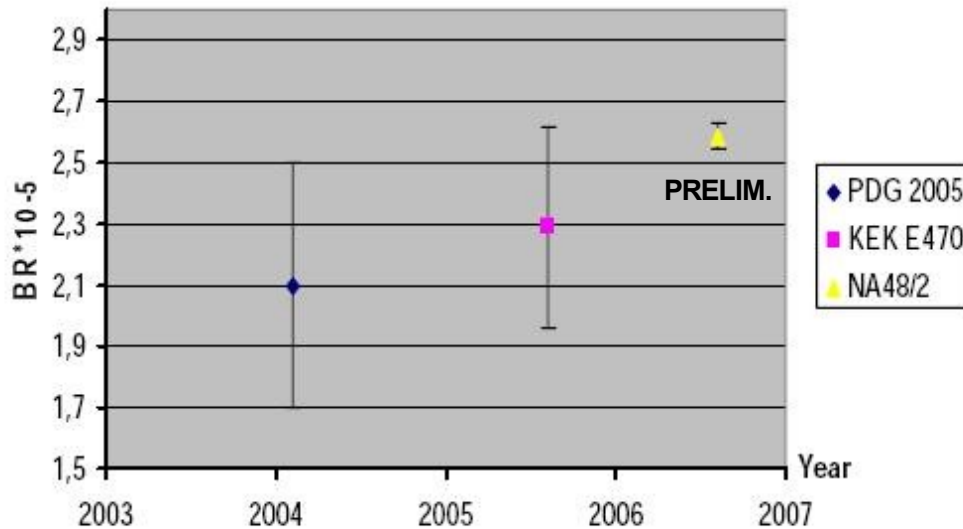


Only 1 form factor in this case

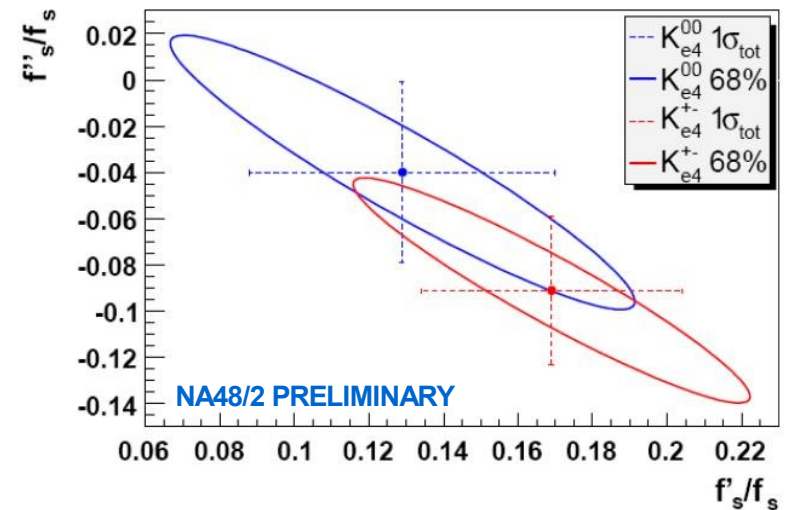
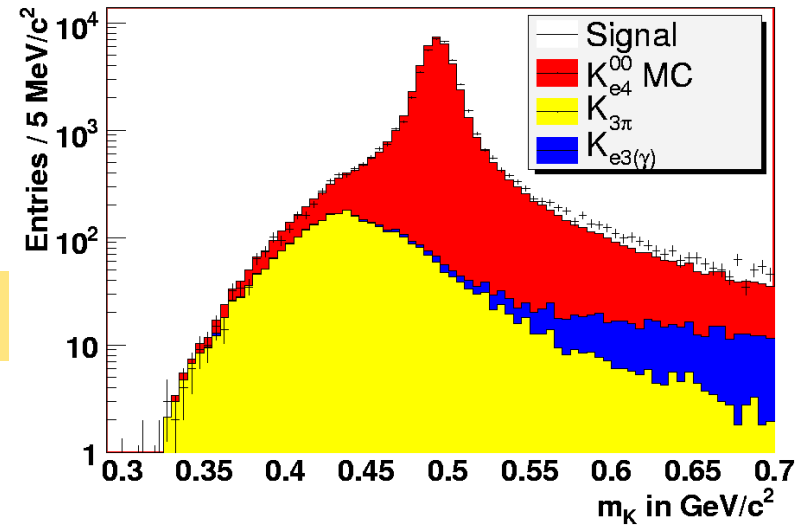
2–3% background.

New NA48/2 **preliminary** measurement (9600 events):

$$BR(K_{e4}^{00}) = (2.587 \pm 0.026_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.019_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.029_{\text{ext}}) \cdot 10^{-5}$$

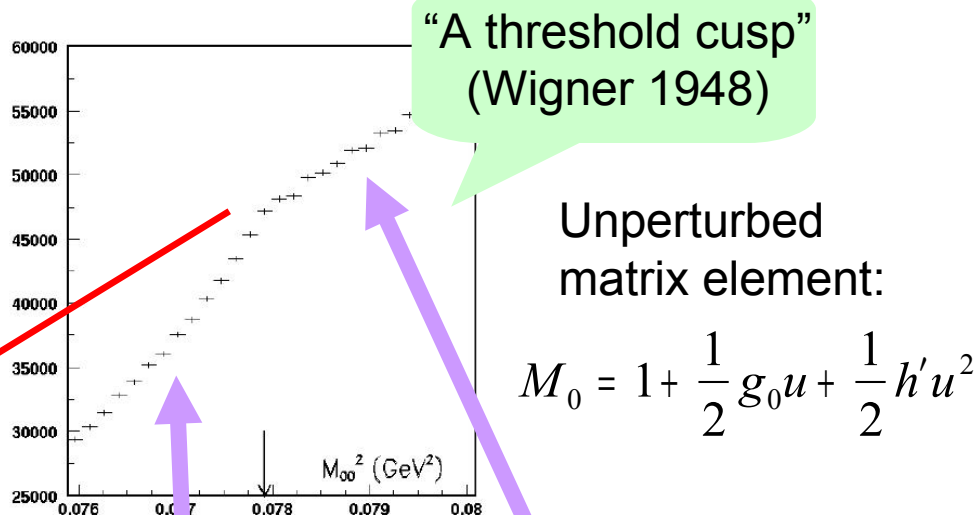
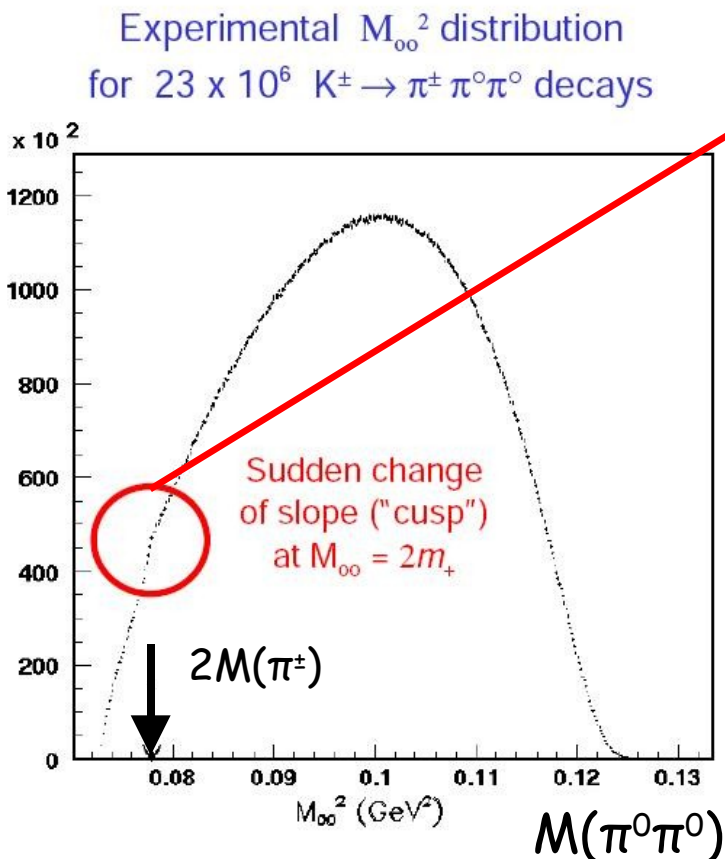


Form factors consistent with charged Ke4 (37K events)

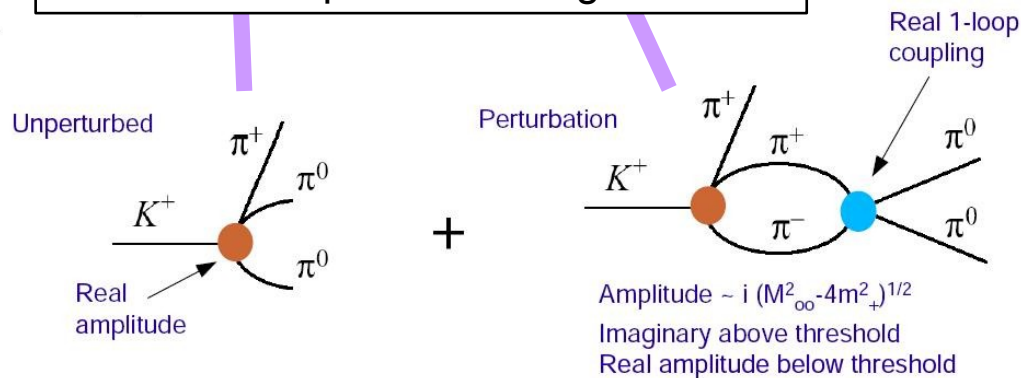


$\pi\pi$ scattering in $K \rightarrow 3\pi$ decays

NA48/2: $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$ events



Final state pion scattering effect:



Stimulated much theoretical work:
Cabibbo et al., Gamiz et al., Colangelo et al.

$\pi\pi$ scattering lengths

The magnitude of the discontinuity (cusp) is directly related to the $(a_0^0 - a_0^2)$ difference in $\pi\pi$ scattering lengths.

Using Cabibbo–Isidori 2nd order expansion (and assuming $k=0$), from the unconstrained fit:

$$(a_0 - a_2) m_\pi = 0.268 \pm 0.010_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.004_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.013_{\text{ext}}$$

$$a_2 m_\pi = 0.041 \pm 0.022_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.014_{\text{syst}}$$

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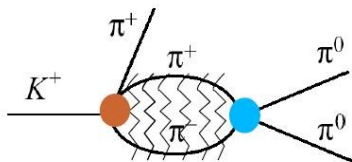
Radiative effects
require improved

theoretical
framework

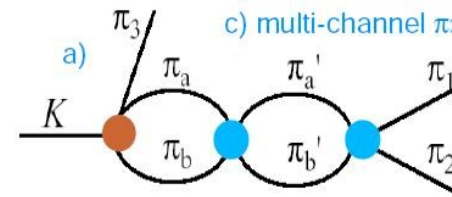
(20% of total statistics)

New approach, potentially very powerful,
alternative to Ke4 and pionium (DIRAC expt)

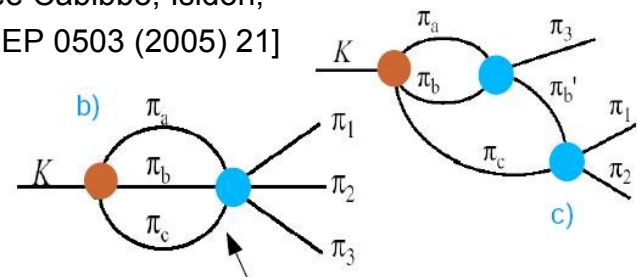
Evidence for **pionium formation**,
sensitivity to higher-order effects...



- a) single channel $\pi\pi$ scattering
- b) irreducible $3\pi \rightarrow 3\pi$
- c) multi-channel $\pi\pi$ scattering



[see Cabibbo, Isidori,
JHEP 0503 (2005) 21]



$\pi\pi$ scattering lengths: improvements

Unperturbed matrix element:

$$M_0 = 1 + \frac{1}{2}g_0u + \frac{1}{2}h'u^2 + \frac{1}{2}k'v^2 + \dots$$

and $k' \approx 0$ was assumed
(following PDG)

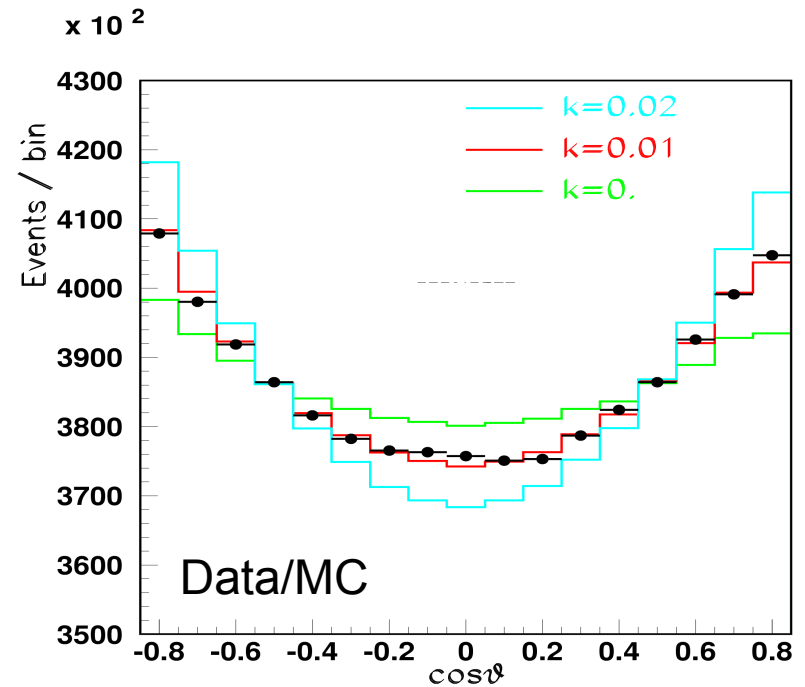
NA48/2 **preliminary** (2003 data):

Evidence for a non-zero k'

$$k' = 0.0097 \pm 0.0003_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0008_{\text{sys}}$$

Significative changes in g_0 and h'

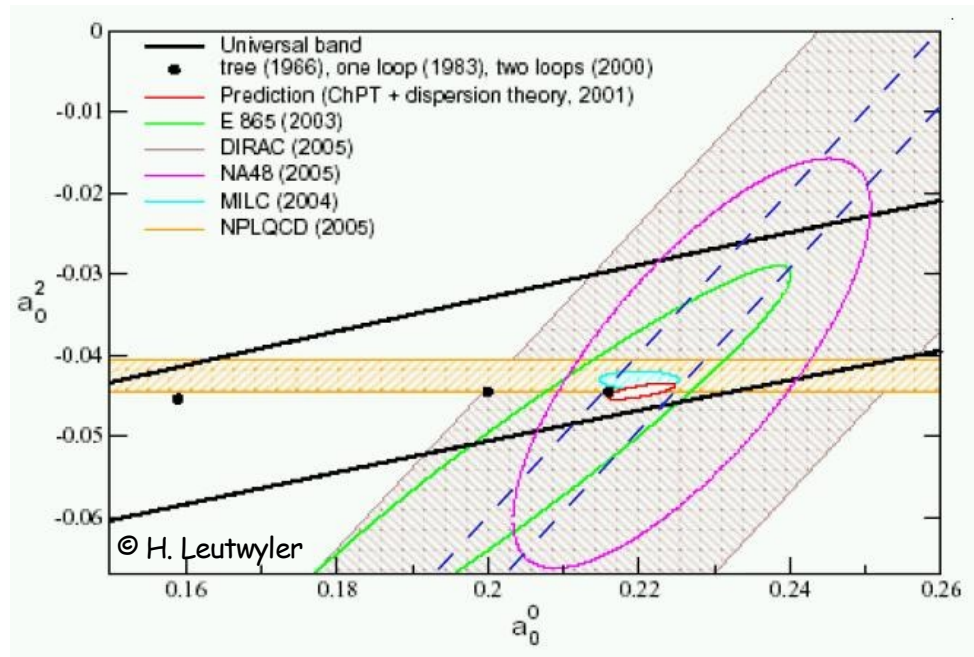
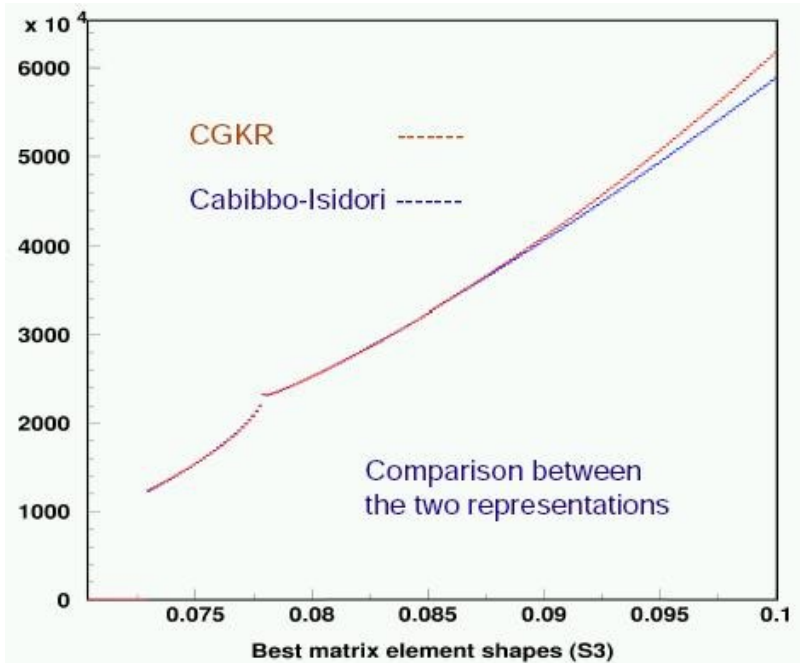
No change in $a_0^0 - a_0^2$ and a_0^2



Angle between π^\pm and π^0 in $\pi^0\pi^0$ CM

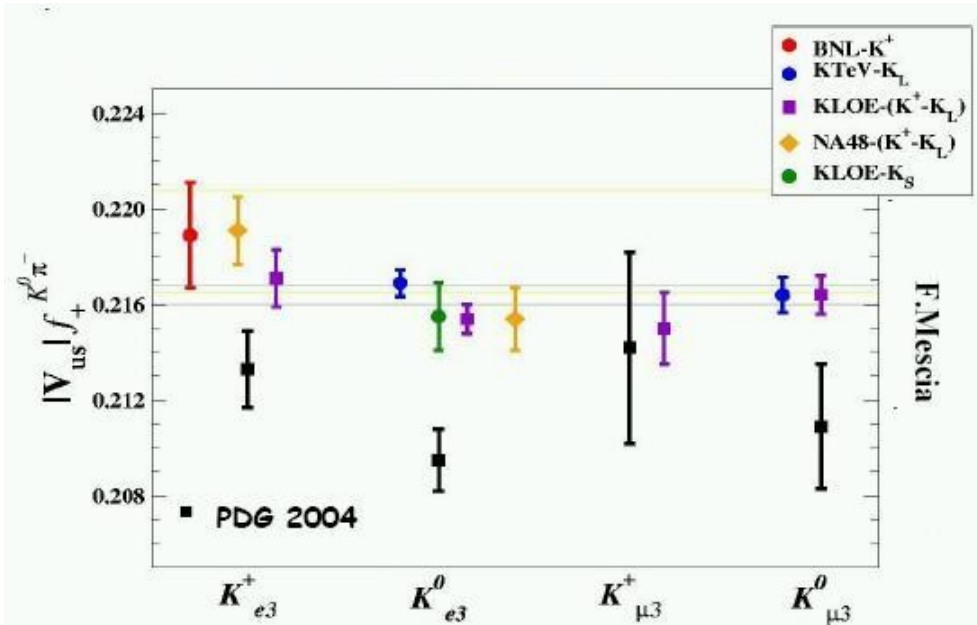
$\pi\pi$ scattering lengths: improvements

- Non-relativistic lagrangian framework developed (Colangelo et al.)
- Allows systematic improvement and inclusion of radiative effects
- Allows fitting the whole Dalitz plot
- Includes quadratic terms at second order



WORK IN PROGRESS...

Kℓ3 decays: V_{us} and form factors



After the “semileptonic revolution”
the V_{us} issue seems solved
More results expected
(K^\pm , K_S , radiative)

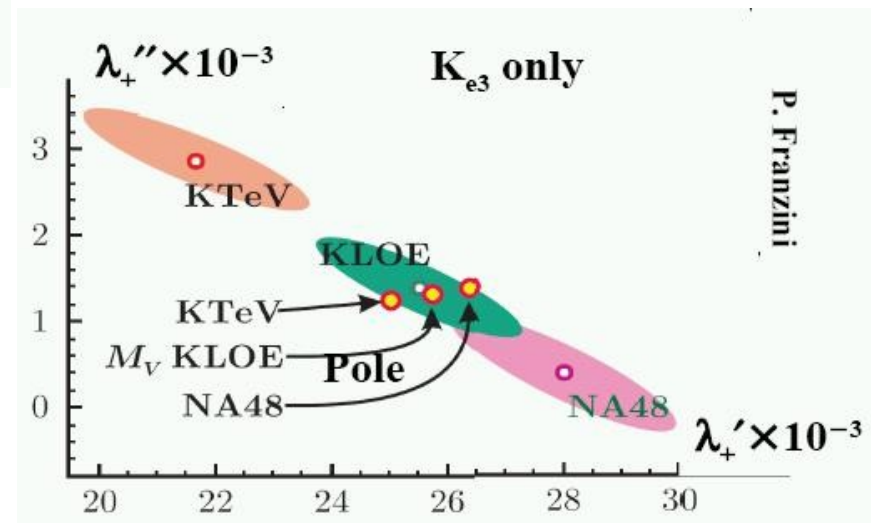
$K\mu 3$ form factors:

2.6M $K_L \rightarrow \pi \mu \nu$ decays

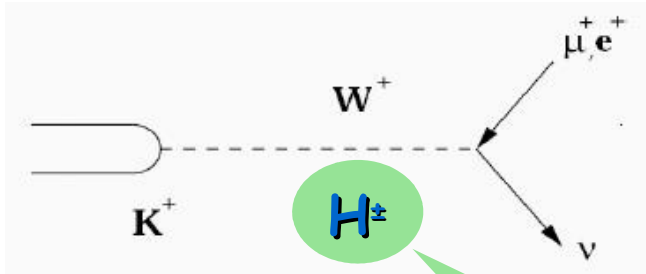
$$\lambda_+ = 0.0260 \pm 0.0007_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0010_{\text{syst}}$$

$$\lambda_0 = 0.0120 \pm 0.0008_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0015_{\text{syst}}$$

NA48 preliminary



Kℓ2 decays: unexpected fame



Large $\tan\beta$

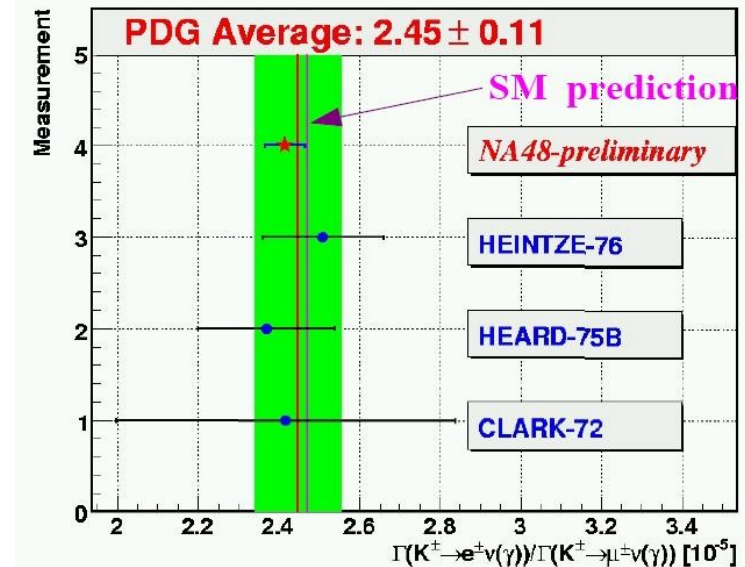
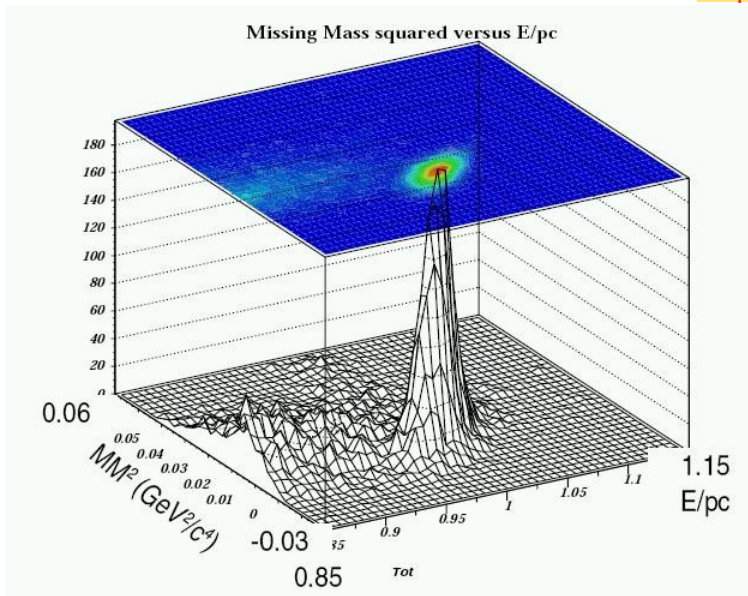
Masiero et al. (2006): $R_K = \Gamma(K^{\pm} \rightarrow e^{\pm}\nu) / \Gamma(K^{\pm} \rightarrow \mu^{\pm}\nu)$ as the most sensitive probe of SUSY LFV effects: effects can reach 2–3% (!)

SM: $R_K = (2.472 \pm 0.001) \times 10^{-5}$

PDG: $R_K = (2.45 \pm 0.11) \times 10^{-5}$

NA48/2 preliminary (byproduct, 1 month run)

$R_K = (2.416 \pm 0.043 \pm 0.024) \times 10^{-5}$

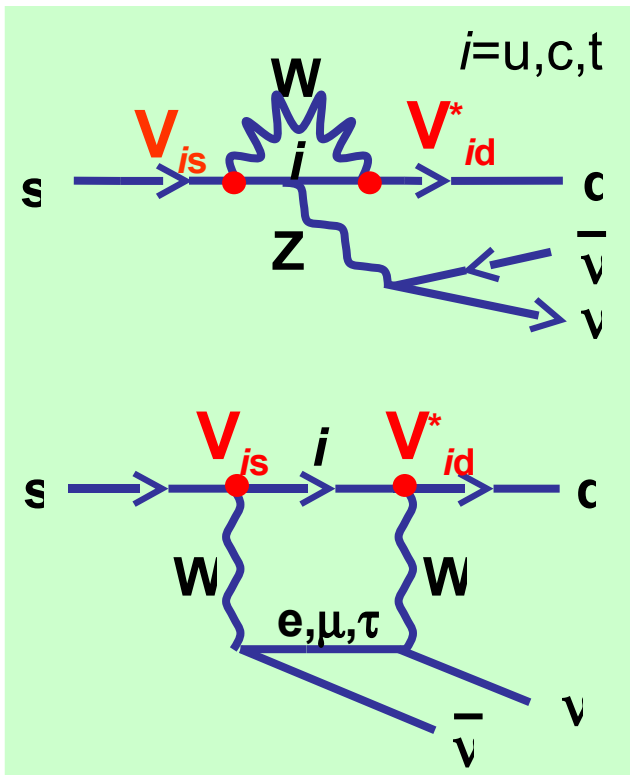


A new run would have the potential to reach sub-percent accuracy.



$K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$: the (new) "holy grail"

- Z(γ) penguin and box diagrams
- Top in loop, sensitivity to V_{td}
- Small theoretical uncertainty (also true BSM)

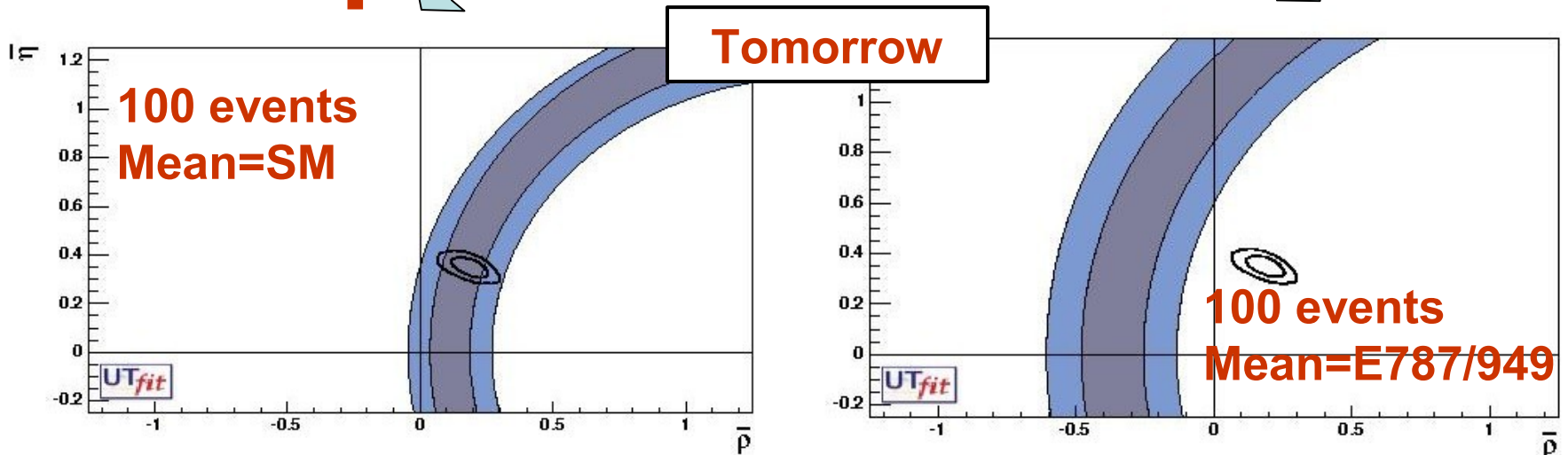
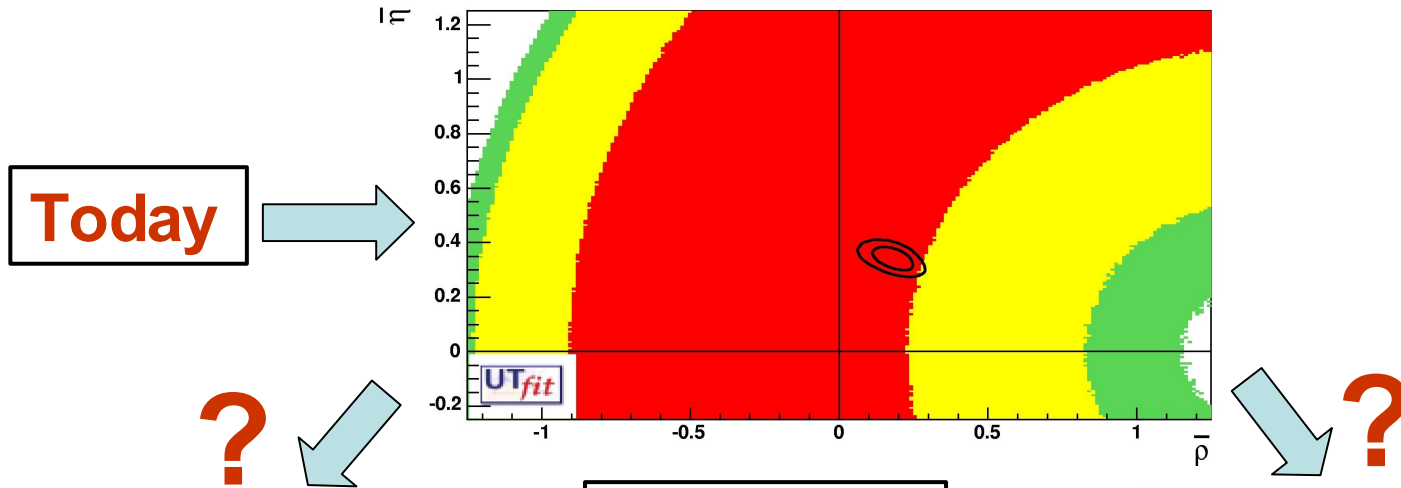


$$B(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) \approx 1.0 \times 10^{-10} A^4 (\eta^2 + (\rho_0 - \rho)^2) = (8.0 \pm 1.1) \times 10^{-11}$$

$$B(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) = 2.2 \times 10^{-10} \left(\frac{\text{Im}(V_{ts}^* V_{td})}{\lambda^5} X(x_t) \right)^2 = (2.8 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-11}$$

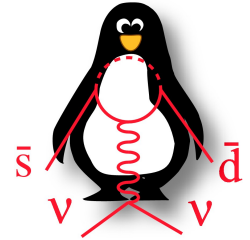
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ and the SM

$$\text{E787/E949: BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = 1.47^{+1.30}_{-0.89} \times 10^{-10}$$

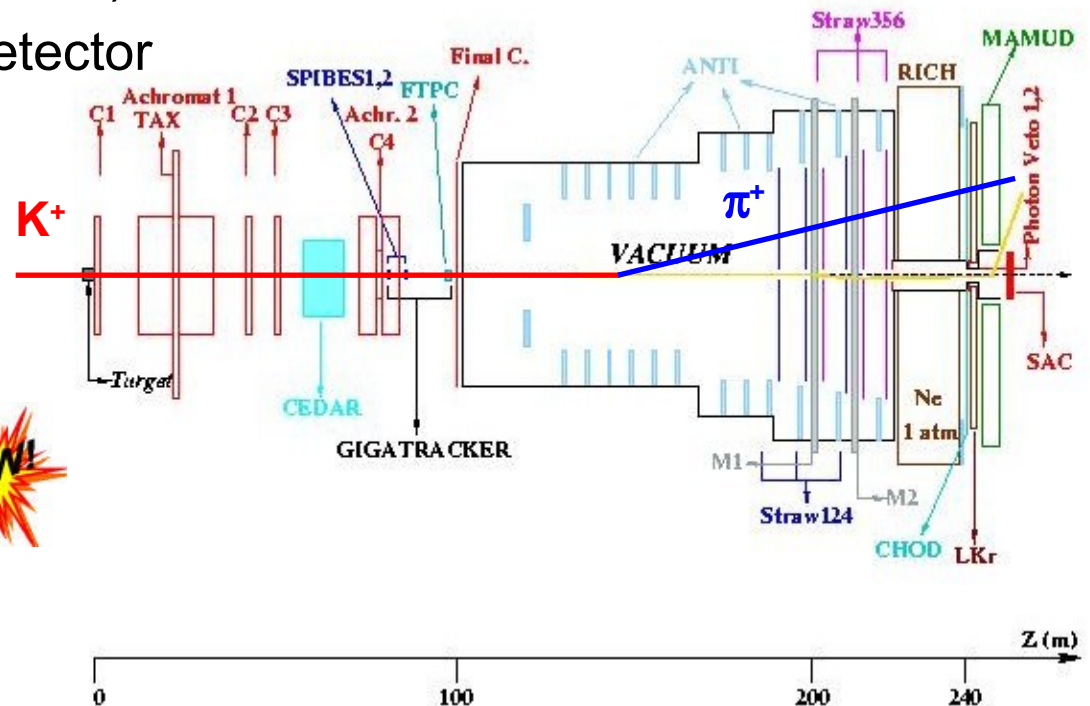


$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$: P-326 proposal

P326

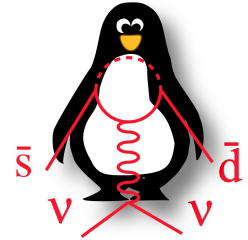


- At CERN SPS
- Decay *in flight*
(75 GeV unseparated K^+ beam)
- Loosely based on NA48 detector
(incl. LKr calorimeter)
- Background rejection:
 - PID(π/μ) by RICH
 - High E π^0 , low ineff.
 - Missing mass cut
- K^+ tracking in 1 GHz
- Expect **80 SM events**
in **2 years**



$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$: P-326 yield/yr

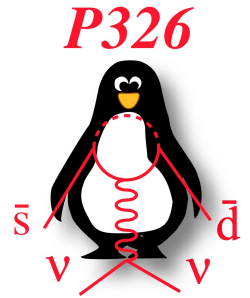
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	Total	Region I	Region II
Signal (SM)	65	16	49
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$	2.7 ± 0.2	1.7 ± 0.2	1.0 ± 0.1
$K_{\mu 2}$	1.2 ± 0.3	1.1 ± 0.3	< 0.1
$K_{e 4}$	2 ± 2	Negligible	2 ± 2
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$ and other 3-tracks	1 ± 1	Negligible	1 ± 1
$K_{\pi 2} \gamma$	1.3 ± 0.4	Negligible	1.3 ± 0.4
$K_{\mu 2} \gamma$	0.4 ± 0.1	0.2 ± 0.1	0.2 ± 0.1
$K_{e 3}, K_{\mu 3},$ others	Negligible	-	-
Total bkg	9 ± 3	3.0 ± 0.2	6 ± 3

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$: P-326 status

CERN-SPSC-2005-013
SPSC-P-326



CERN, Dubna, Ferrara, Firenze, Frascati, Mainz, Merced, Moscow,
Napoli, Perugia, Protvino, Pisa, Roma, Saclay, San Luis Potosi,
Sofia, Torino

and **looking for more collaborators...**

SPS used as **LHC injector** (it will run in the future)

No flagrant time overlap with CNGS

Fully compatible with rest of CERN fixed target program

Conservative beam request

R&D endorsed by CERN Research Board on December 2005

Test beams Oct–Nov 2006

Aims to complete R&D by the end of **2007**...

... to start data taking in **2011**

Outlook

A 17-year long enterprise
8 years of data-taking
A wide range of physics topics:

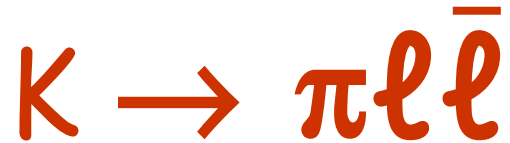
CP violation, CPT tests,
 K_L , K_S , K^\pm rare decays, chiral perturbation theory,
hyperon physics, hadronic physics,
exotic searches, meson masses

35 physics papers and 20 technical papers so far
120 physicists, 90+ Ph.D. students

*NA48 collaboration
Pisa - 2003*

**A new challenge ahead
for everybody who wants to join !**

Spare slides

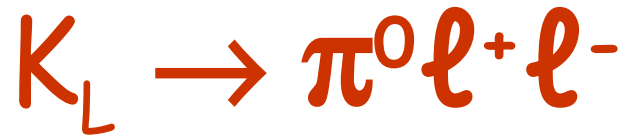


Experimental problems:

BR $\approx 10^{-11}$, few (or no) kinematic constraints,
backgrounds with BR $\times 10^7$

$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$	10^{-11} (CPV _{dir} $3 \cdot 10^{-12}$)	$< 2.8 \cdot 10^{-10}$ (FNAL KTeV)	CPC+CPV, $ee\gamma\gamma$ bkg. 3 ev. (2.05 bkg)
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-$	10^{-11} (CPV _{dir} $1 \cdot 10^{-12}$)	$< 3.8 \cdot 10^{-10}$ (FNAL KTeV)	CPC+CPV 2 ev. (0.87 bkg)
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$	$8 \cdot 10^{-11}$ (at 7%)	$1.47^{+1.30}_{-0.89} \cdot 10^{-10}$ (BNL E787+E949)	Dedicated expt. 3 evt. (bkg. 0.45)
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-11}$ (at 2%)	$< 5.9 \cdot 10^{-7}$ (KTeV, Dalitz decay)	CPV dir "Nothing to nothing"

Dedicated experiments required



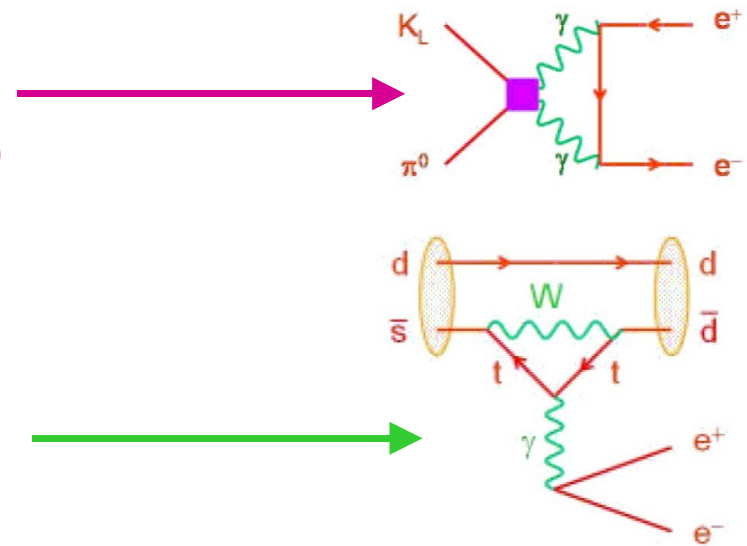
KTeV limits (90% CL):

$$BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-) < 2.8 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-) < 3.8 \times 10^{-10}$$

Complex situation: 3 contributions

- **CP-allowed:** not predicted, derived from $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ (NA48/KTeV)
- **Indirect CP violating:** not predicted, measured by $K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$ (NA48/1)
- **Direct CP violating:** predicted and proportional to CKM phase



$$BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-)_{CPV} \approx 10^{-12} \left[15.3 a_S^2 - 6.8 a_S \text{Im}(\lambda_t) \times 10^{-4} + 2.8 \text{Im}(\lambda_t)^2 \times 10^{-8} \right]$$

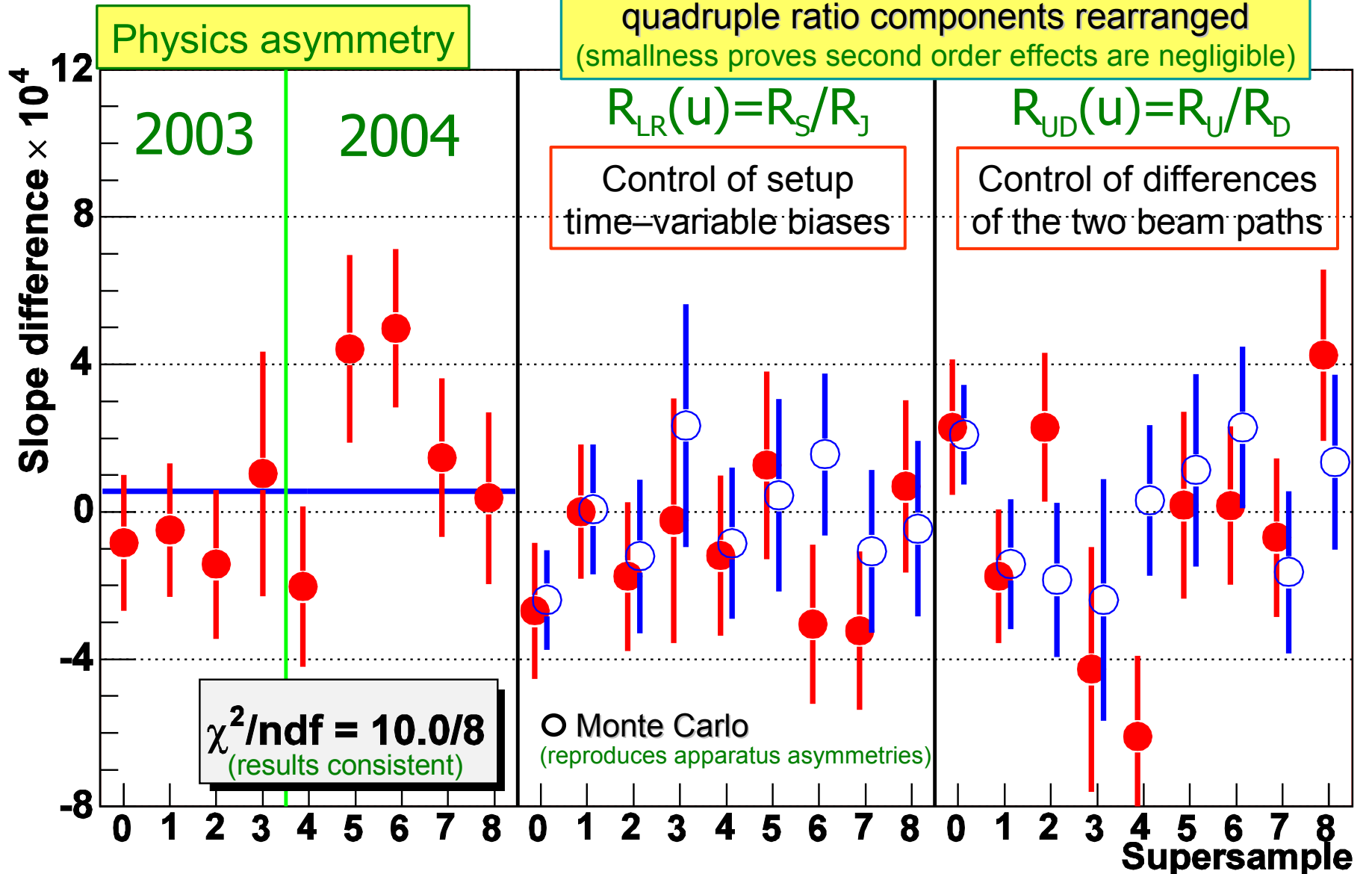
$$\lambda_t = V_{ts}^* V_{td} \quad |a_S| \approx 1 \div 1.5 \quad \text{measured by } K_S \text{ (sign ?)}$$

$K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^+ \pi^-$ CPV slope asymmetry

Theoretical predictions

Standard Model	L.Maiani, N.Paver (95)	$(2.3 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-6}$
	A. Bel'kov (95)	$< 4 \times 10^{-4}$
	G.D'Ambrosio, G.Isidori (98)	$< 10^{-5}$
	E.Shabalin (01)	$< 3 \times 10^{-5}$
	E.Gamiz, J.Prades, I.Scimemi (03)	$(-2.4 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{-5}$
	E.Shabalin (05)	$< 8 \times 10^{-5}$
New physics	G.D'Ambrosio, G.Isidori, G.Martinelli (00)	up to 10^{-4}
	E.Shabalin (98) [WHDM]	$\sim 4 \times 10^{-4}$
	I.Scimemi (04)	$> 3 \times 10^{-5}$

Time-stability & control



Ke4 form factor results

$K^\pm \rightarrow p^+ p^- e^\pm n$

$$f'_s/f_s = 0.169 \pm 0.009_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.034_{\text{syst}}$$

$$f''_s/f_s = -0.091 \pm 0.009_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.031_{\text{syst}}$$

$$f_p/f_s = -0.047 \pm 0.006_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.008_{\text{syst}}$$

$$g_p/f_s = 0.891 \pm 0.019_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.020_{\text{syst}}$$

$$g'_p/f_s = 0.111 \pm 0.031_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.032_{\text{syst}}$$

$$h_p/f_s = -0.411 \pm 0.027_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.038_{\text{syst}}$$

$$a_0^0 = 0.256 \pm 0.008_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.007_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.018_{\text{theo}}$$

NA48/2 PRELIMINARY

$K^\pm \rightarrow p^0 p^0 e^\pm n$

$$f'_s/f_s = 0.129 \pm 0.036_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.020_{\text{syst}}$$

$$f''_s/f_s = -0.040 \pm 0.034_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.020_{\text{syst}}$$

Cusp in $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: results

The scattering length difference:

$$(a_0 - a_2)m_+ = 0.268 \pm 0.010_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.004_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.013_{\text{ext}}$$

and

$$(a_2)m_+ = -0.041 \pm 0.022_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.014_{\text{syst}}$$

If correlation between a_0 and a_2 (universal band) is used:

$$(a_0 - a_2)m_+ = 0.264 \pm 0.006_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.004_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.013_{\text{ext}}$$

From same fit slope parameters are obtained (assuming $k=0$):

$$g_0 = 0.645 \pm 0.004_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.009_{\text{syst}}$$

$$h' = -0.047 \pm 0.012_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.011_{\text{syst}}$$

Main systematic uncertainties: acceptance, trigger efficiency, fit interval

NA48/2 measurements of $\pi\pi$ scattering lengths from Ke4 Charged decays:

- scattering lengths extracted in a model dependent way (input $a_0^2 = f(a_0^0)$)
- use Universal Band function

NA48/2 Preliminary (370k decays)

$$\rightarrow a_0^0 = 0.256 \pm 0.008_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.007_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.018_{\text{theo}}$$

Previous published results:

CERN/PS Geneva-Saclay (30k decays)

$$\rightarrow a_0^0 = 0.253 \pm 0.037_{\text{stat+sys}} \pm 0.014_{\text{theo}}$$

BNL E865 (400k decays)

$$\rightarrow a_0^0 = 0.229 \pm 0.012_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.004_{\text{sys}} \pm 0.014_{\text{theo}}$$