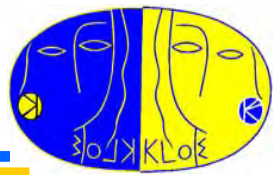


# Precision test of the SM with $K_{l2}$ and $K_{l3}$ decays at the KLOE experiment

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# *NP from (semi)leptonic K decays?*



**KLOE measurements of  $K \rightarrow \pi l \nu$ ,  $l \nu$  decays can shed light on NP BSM**

**Precise determination of  $V_{us}$  from BR's for  $K \rightarrow \pi l \nu$ , ff slopes, etc.:**

allows most precise test of unitarity of the CKM matrix

translates into a severe constraint for many NP models

**Test of SM from  $\Gamma(K_{\mu 2})/\Gamma(\pi_{\mu 2})$ :**

probes NP RH contributions to charged weak currents

probes  $H^+$  exchange in every SM extension with 2 Higgs doublets

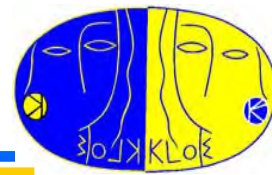
**LF violation test from  $\Gamma(K_{e 2})/\Gamma(K_{\mu 2})$ :**

sensitive to NP effects, which might be at % level wrt SM prediction

**CPT test from BR's and charge asymmetry in  $K_{L,S} \rightarrow \pi l \nu$  decays:**

dramatically improve precision of CPT test via unitarity relation

# Interest in $V_{us}$ measurement with kaons



In SM, universality of weak coupling dictates:

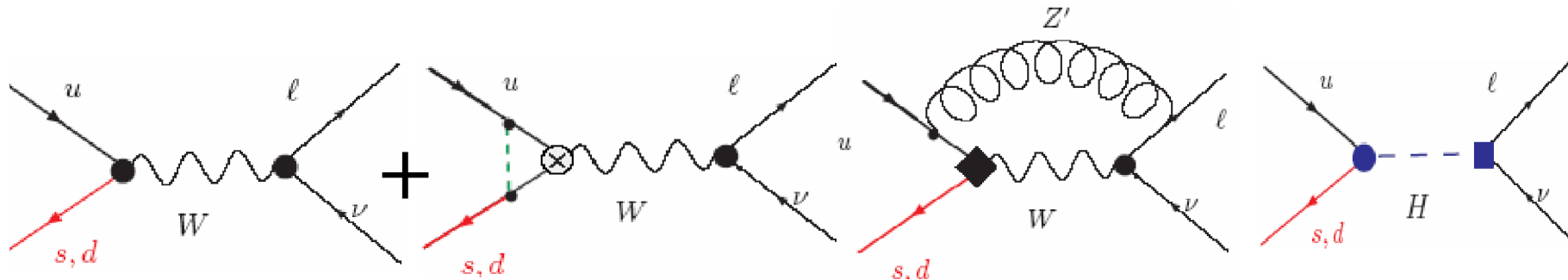
$$G_F^2 (|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2) = G^2(\text{from } \mu \text{ lifetime}) = (g_w/M_w)^2 [V_{ub} \text{ negligible}]$$

One can test for possible breaking of one of the two conditions:

CKM unitarity: is  $(|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2) = 1$ ?

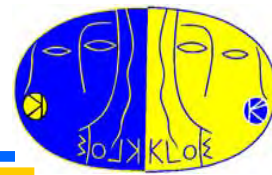
coupling universality: is  $G_F^2 (|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2) = G^2(\text{from } \mu \text{ lifetime})$ ?

New physics extensions of the SM can indeed break coupling universality:

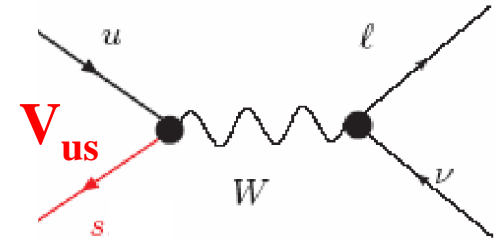


$$\text{SM} + \text{NP} \propto G_F^2 |V_{uq}|^2 (1 + \mathbf{a} M_{\text{NP}}^2/M_W^2)^2, \text{ naively } \mathbf{a}_{\text{tree}} \sim 1, \mathbf{a}_{\text{loop}} \sim g_w^2/16\pi^2$$

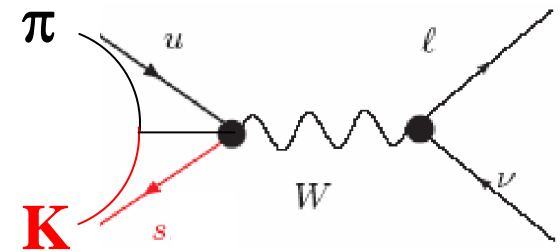
# Kaon decay observables



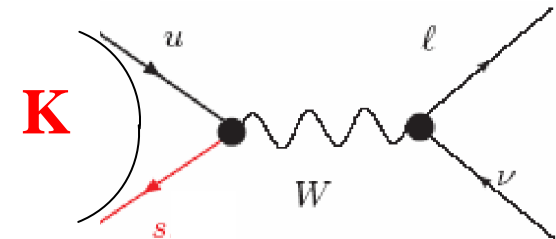
**Kl2 and Kl3 decay observables linked to the wanted short distance physics with independent theoretical uncertainty**



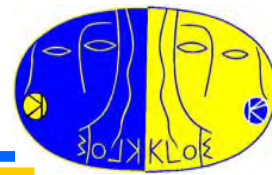
**For Kl3 decays, Ademollo-Gatto theorem dictates ~~SU(3)~~ terms appear at 2<sup>nd</sup> order in  $f_{K\pi}^+$ (0)**



**$K_{\mu 2}/\pi_{\mu 2}$ :  $f_K/f_\pi$  uncertainty reduced from latest lattice results**



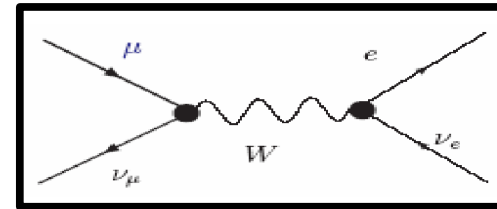
# Interest in $V_{us}$ measurement with kaons



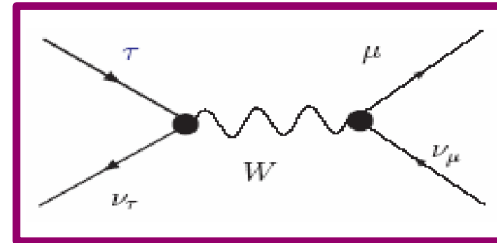
A measurement of  $G_{\text{CKM}} = G_F (|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2)$  with error @ 0.5%

- is sensitive to tree masses  $M_{\text{NP}} \sim 10 \text{ TeV}$  and to loop masses  $M_{\text{NP}} \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$
- is competitive with ew precision tests:

$$G_F = 1.166371(6) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \leftarrow$$



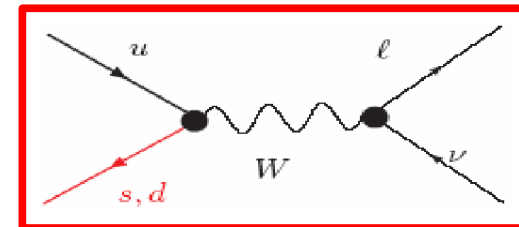
$$G_\tau = 1.1678(26) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \leftarrow$$



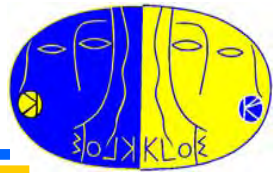
$$G_{\text{ew}} = 1.1655(12) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \leftarrow$$

$\alpha_{\text{em}} + M_W + s_W$   
[ew precision tests]

$$G_{\text{CKM}} = 1.16\text{xx}(04) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \leftarrow$$



# $V_{us}$ from semileptonic kaon decays



**Master formula:**  $\Gamma(K_{l3}(\gamma)) = |V_{us}|^2 |f_+^{K^0\pi^-}(0)|^2 \frac{G_F^2 m_K^5}{128\pi^3} S_{EW} C_K^2 I_{K\ell} (1 + \delta_K^\ell)$

## Theoretical inputs:

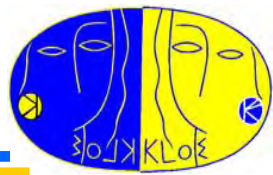
- $f_+(0)$ , form factor at zero momentum transfer: purely theoretical calculation  
Recent result from UKQCD/RBC, 07 prel.:  $f_+(0) = 0.964(5)$
- $\delta_K^\ell = 2(\Delta_K^{\text{SU}(2)} + \Delta_K^{\ell \text{ em}})$ , I-breaking and e.m. effects:  $\mathbf{K^0}$   $\mathbf{K^+}$   
Recent  $\chi$ Pt results:  $\Delta_{\mathbf{K^+}}^{\text{SU}(2)} = +2.36(22)\%$ ,  $\Delta_{\mathbf{K^0}}^{\ell \text{ em}} = +0.57(15)\%$   $+0.08(15)\%$   $\ell = e$   
 $+0.80(15)\%$   $-0.12(15)\%$   $\ell = \mu$
- $S_{EW}$ , short distance corrections (1.0232),  $C_K = 1$  ( $2^{-1/2}$ ) for  $\mathbf{K^0}$  ( $\mathbf{K^+}$ ) decays

## Experimental inputs:

- $\mathbf{I}_K^\ell = \mathbf{I}(\{\lambda_+\}, \{\lambda_0\}, \mathbf{0})$ , phase space integral,  $\lambda_+, \lambda_0 \rightarrow$  t-dependence of vector, scalar ffs
- $\Gamma_{\mathbf{K}l3(\gamma)}$ , semileptonic decay width evaluated from  $\gamma$ -inclusive BR and lifetime
- $\mathbf{m}_K$ , appropriate kaon mass

## KLOE measurements for all relevant inputs: BR's, $\tau$ 's, ff's

# $V_{us}/V_{ud}$ from $K_{\mu 2}$ decays



Can also get  $|V_{us}/V_{ud}|$  from  $K, \pi \rightarrow \mu\nu$  widths [Marciano PRL93 231803,2004]:

$$\frac{\Gamma(K \rightarrow \mu\nu(\gamma))}{\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow \mu\nu(\gamma))} = \frac{m_K \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_K^2}\right)^2}{m_\pi \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2}\right)^2} \frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} \frac{f_K^2}{f_\pi^2} \frac{1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} C_K}{1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} C_\pi}$$

**Theoretical inputs:**

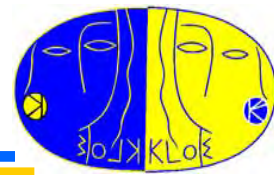
radiative correction  $C_K, C_\pi$

form factor ratio  $f_K/f_\pi$

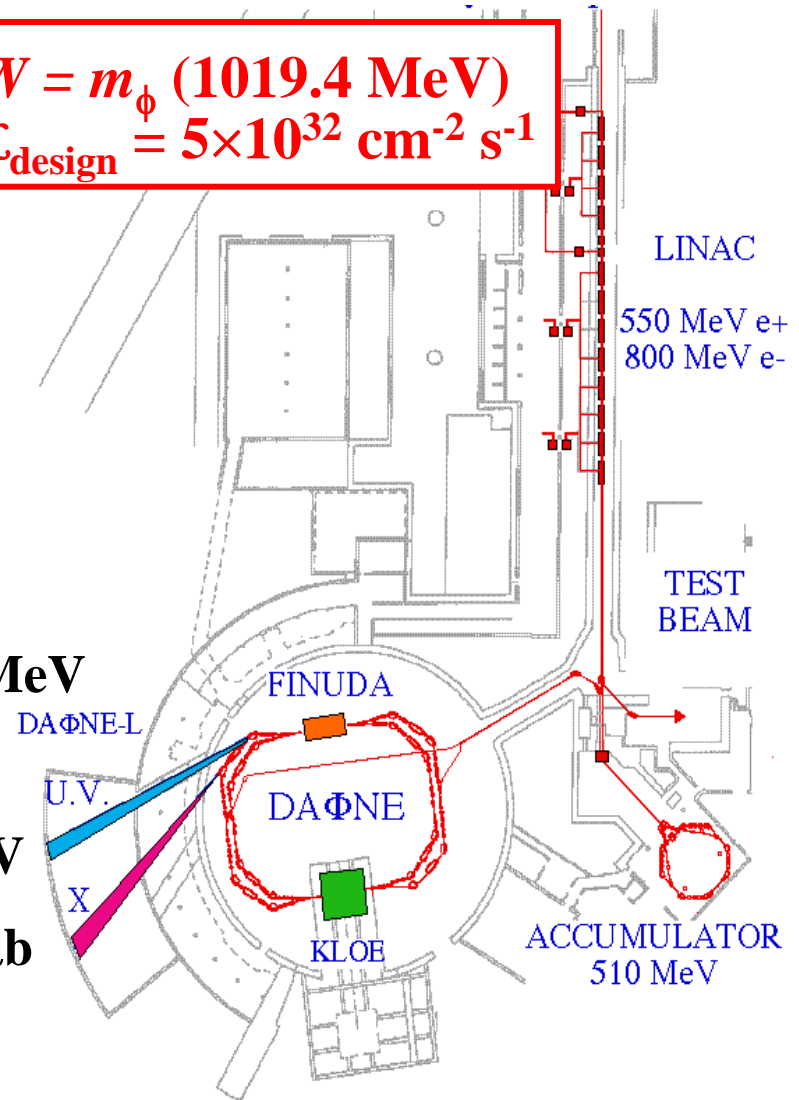
**Experimental inputs:**

$m_{K,\pi,\mu}, \Gamma(K_{\mu 2})/\Gamma(\pi_{\mu 2})$

# The DAΦNE $e^+e^-$ collider



$$W = m_\phi \text{ (1019.4 MeV)}$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{design}} = 5 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$



Collisions at cm energy around  $m_\phi$ :  $\sqrt{s} \sim 1019.4 \text{ MeV}$

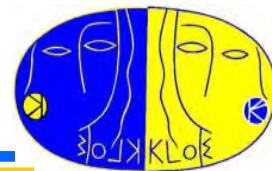
Angle between the beams @ IP:  $\alpha \sim 12.5 \text{ mrad}$

Residual laboratory momentum of  $\phi$ :  $p_\phi \sim 13 \text{ MeV}$

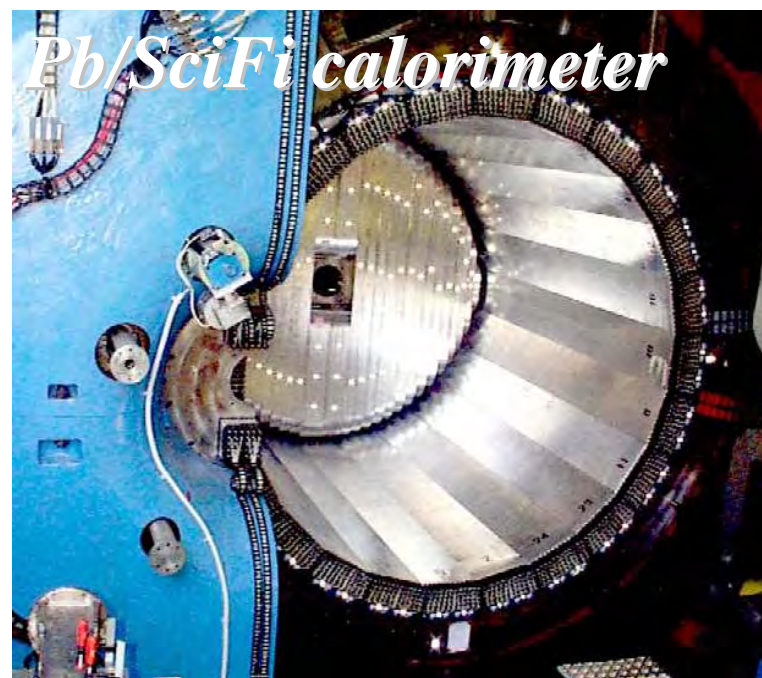
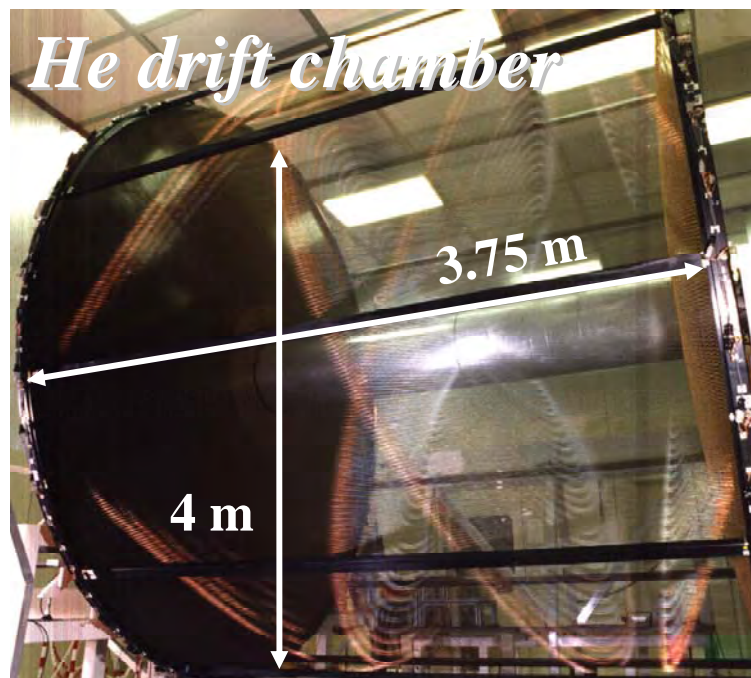
Cross section for  $\phi$  production @ peak:  $\sigma_\phi \sim 3.1 \mu\text{b}$



# The KLOE detector

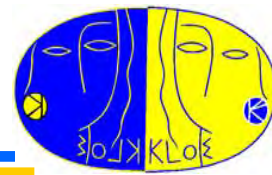


**Large cylindrical drift chamber** + **lead/scintillating-fiber calorimeter** +  
**superconducting coil providing a 0.52 T field**



$\sigma_p/p$  **0.4 %** (tracks with  $\theta > 45^\circ$ )  
 $\sigma_{x \text{ hit}}$  **150  $\mu\text{m}$  (xy), 2 mm (z)**  
 $\sigma_{x \text{ vertex}}$   **$\sim 1$  mm**

$\sigma_E/E$  **5.7%  $/\sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}$**   
 $\sigma_t$  **54 ps  $/\sqrt{E(\text{GeV})} \oplus 50$  ps**  
(relative time between clusters)  
 $\sigma_L(\gamma\gamma)$   **$\sim 2$  cm ( $\pi^0$  from  $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ )**

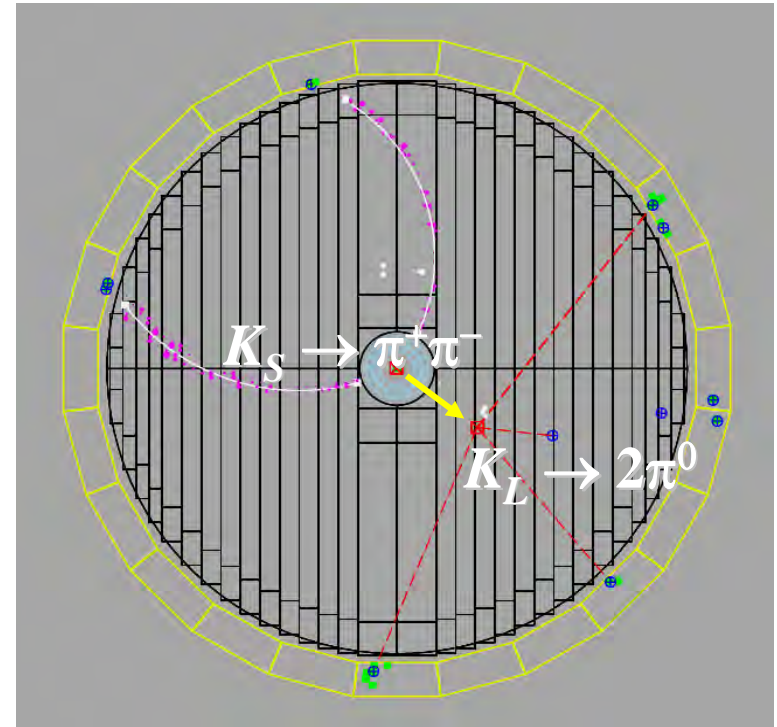


KK pairs emitted ~back to back,  $p \sim 110$  MeV

Identification of  $K_{S,L}(K^{+,-})$  decay (interaction) **tags** presence of  $K_{L,S}(K^{-,+})$

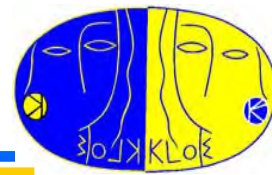
Almost pure  $K_{L,S}$  and  $K^{+,-}$  beams of known momentum + PID (kinematics & TOF):

- Access to **absolute BR's**
- Precise measurements of  $K_{Le3}$  from factors and  $K_L, K^+$  lifetimes (acceptance  $\sim 0.5 \tau_L, \tau_+$ )

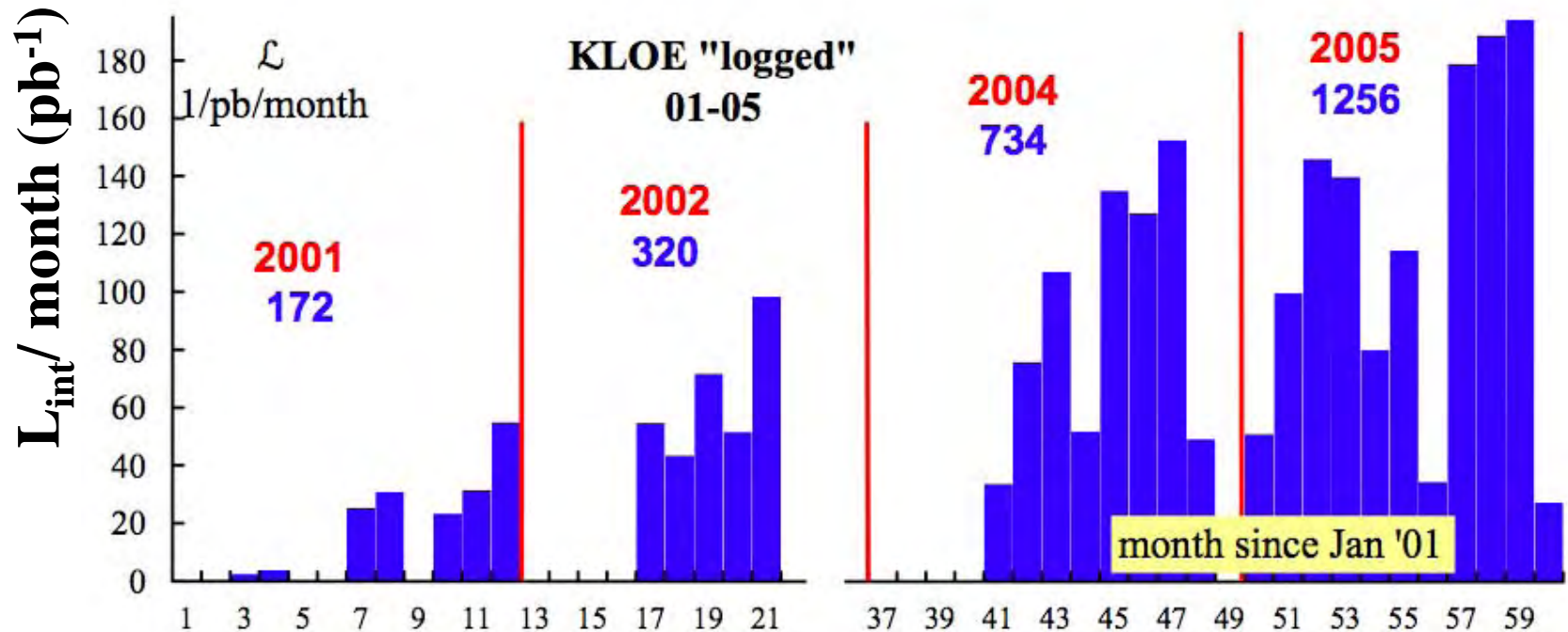


Above points crucial for  $V_{us}$  **determination**

# Overview of KLOE data



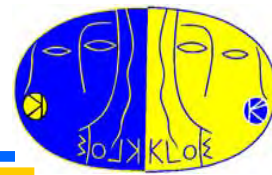
Data taking for KLOE experiment, years 2001-2005, now run completed



2001–5:  $\sim 2.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated @  $\sqrt{s} = M(\phi)$ , yielding  $\sim 2.5 \times 10^9 \text{ K}_S \text{ K}_L$  pairs

Maximum peak luminosity,  $2.5 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

# Recent KLOE results in kaon physics



Focus on  $V_{us}$  determination, **LFV violation**, and CPT and  $\chi$ Pt tests

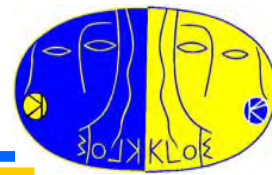
## KLOE results from kaon decays in last year:

Neutral Kaon mass	JHEP 0712:073
Scalar form factor slope from $K_{L\mu 3}$	JHEP 0712:105
Absolute BR for $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ decay	PLB 666 (2008)
Absolute BR's for $K^{+,-} \rightarrow \pi l \nu$	JHEP 0802:098
$K^{+,-}$ lifetime	JHEP 0801:073
Combined $V_{us}$ determination	JHEP 0804:059
CP, CPT parameters of $K^0$ system via BSR	JHEP 0612:011, review PDG'08
$d\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu \gamma)/dE_\gamma$	EPJC 55 (2008)
BR( $K_S \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ )	JHEP 0805:051

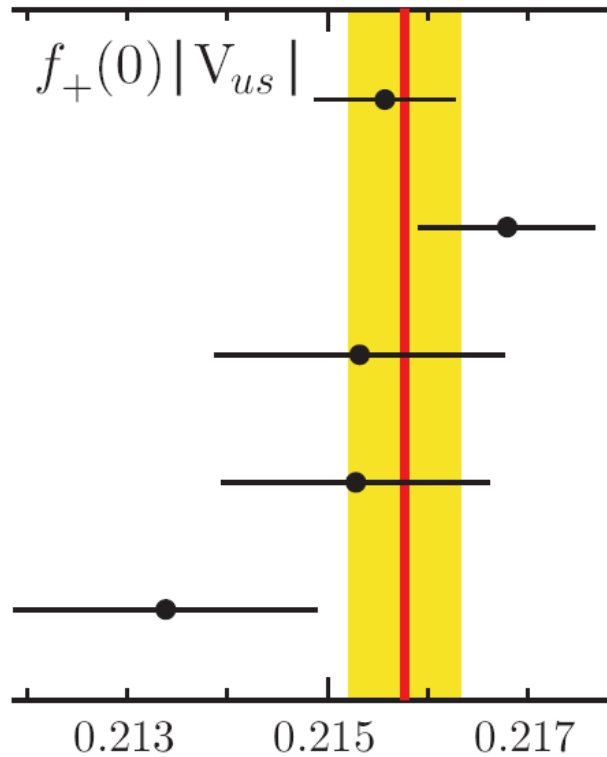
## Preliminary mmts have also been announced:

Updated form factor slopes from $K_{L\mu 3}$	PoS KAON:016, 2008
UL[BR( $K_S \rightarrow e^+e^-$ )]	ArXiv:0707.2687 (now final)
$\Gamma(K^+ \rightarrow e\nu)/\Gamma(K^+ \rightarrow \mu\nu)$	ArXiv:0707.4623

# *V<sub>us</sub> from Kl3 decays: results*



**Only use KLOE inputs, except  $\tau_s$  from PDG:**



$f_+(0) \times |V_{us}|$

**Error, %**

$K_{Le3}$

**0.2155(7)**

**0.3**

$K_{L\mu3}$

**0.2167(9)**

**0.4**

$K_{Se3}$

**0.2153(14)**

**0.7**

$K_{e3}^+$

**0.2152(13)**

**0.6**

$K_{\mu3}^+$

**0.2132(15)**

**0.7**

**Avg**

**0.2157(6)**

**0.28**

**Compare with world average including KLOE:**

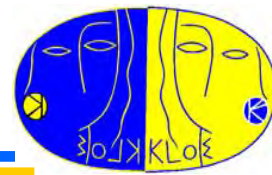
**0.2166(5)**

**Use  $f_+(0) = 0.9644(49)$  from UKQCD/RBC:**

**$|V_{us}| = 0.2237(13)$**

**Use  $|V_{ud}| = 0.97418(26)$  from  $0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$   $\beta$  decays:  $1 - |V_{ud}|^2 - |V_{us}|^2 = 9(8) \times 10^{-4}$**

# $V_{us}/V_{ud}$ from $K_{\mu 2}$ vs $V_{us}$ from $Kl3$



From the following inputs:

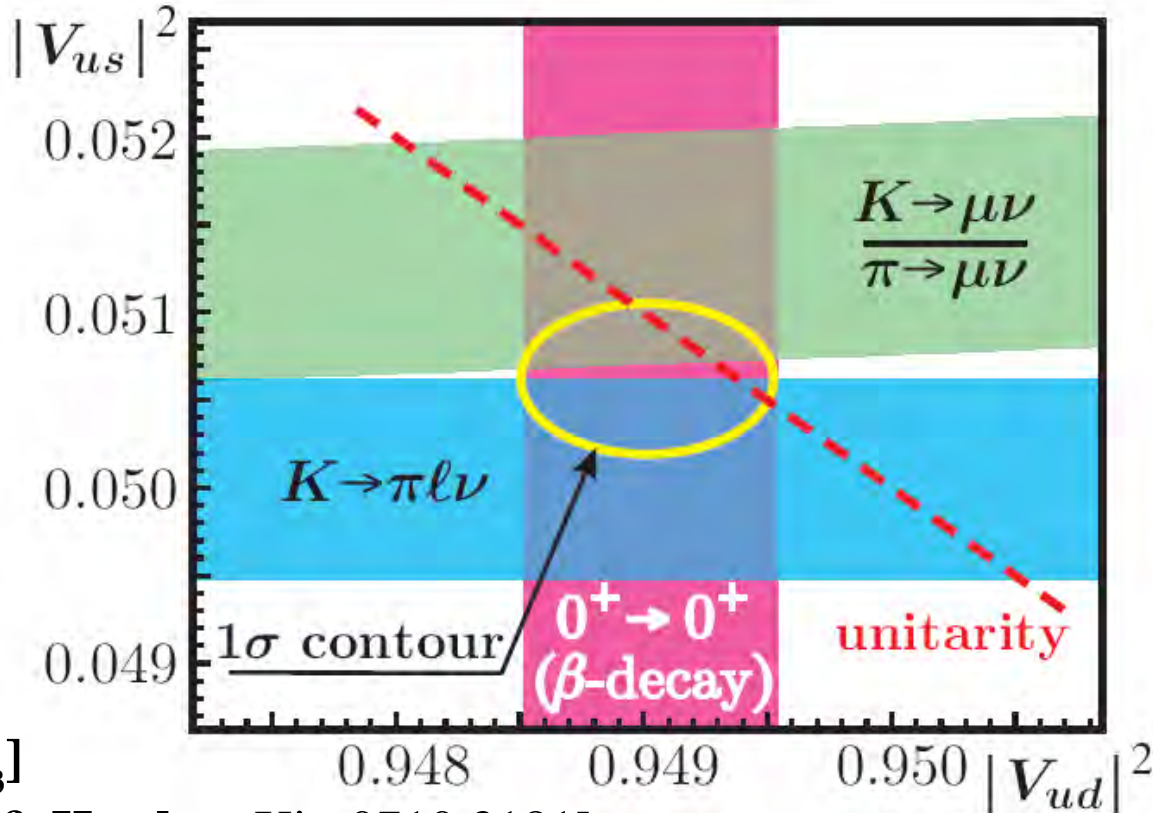
$\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+\nu)$ ,  $\tau(K^+)$  [KLOE]

$f_K/f_\pi = 1.189(7)$  [HP/UKQCD 07]

$C_K$ ,  $C_\pi$  [Marciano PRL93, 2004]

$M_{K,\pi,\mu}$ ,  $\Gamma(\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+\nu)$  [PDG]

Result:  $|V_{us}/V_{ud}| = 0.2323(15)$



Now can fit:

1)  $|V_{us}/V_{ud}| = 0.2323(15)$

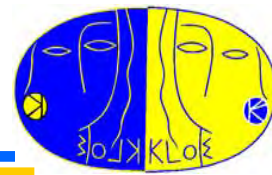
2)  $|V_{us}| = 0.2237(13)$  [KLOE  $K_{l3}$ ]

3)  $|V_{ud}| = 0.97418(26)$  [Towner & Hardy arXiv:0710.3181]

Obtain:  $|V_{ud}| = 0.97417(26)$ ,  $|V_{us}| = 0.2249(10)$ ,  $P(\chi^2=2.34/1) = 13\%$

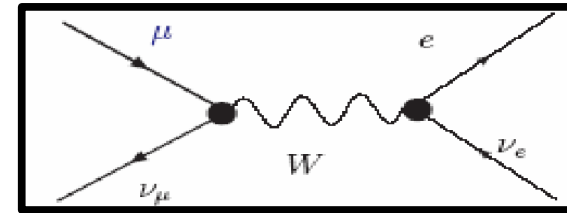
CKM unitarity satisfied:  $1 - |V_{ud}|^2 - |V_{us}|^2 = 4(7) \times 10^{-4}$

# Weak coupling universality test

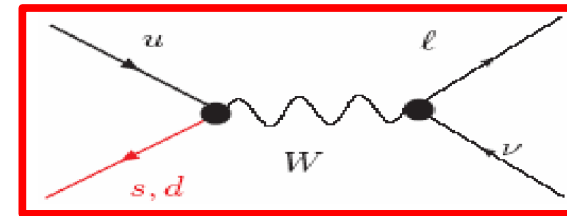


Agreement between weak couplings from K decays and from  $\mu$  lifetime:

$$G_F = 1.166371(6) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \leftarrow$$



$$G_{\text{CKM}} = 1.16604(40) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \leftarrow$$

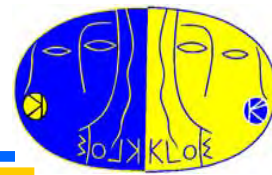


Agreement at this level of accuracy implies observation of **short distance radiative corrections** at  $\sim 40 \sigma$  level [Marciano]:

$$2 \alpha/\pi \log M_Z/M + \dots \sim 2.5\%$$

Agreement of  $f_+(0) \times V_{us}$  for  $K^+$  and  $K^0$ , brilliant success of the calculation of isospin breaking and e.m. corrections at few per mils

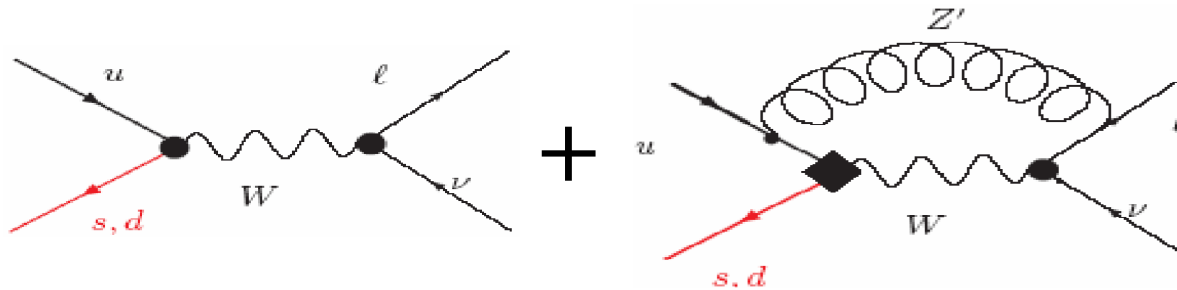
# Weak coupling universality test: BSM



Agreement between weak couplings from  $K$  and from  $\mu$  constraints NP

In  $SO(10)$   $Z_\chi$  boson [Marciano]:

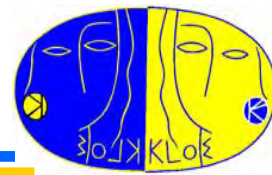
$$G_F = G_{CKM} [ 1 - 0.007 \times 8/3 \times \ln(M_{Z'} / M_W) / (M_{Z'}^2 / M_W^2 - 1) ]$$



Implies:  $M_{Z'} > 750 \text{ GeV}$  @ 95% CL



# Weak coupling universality test: BSM



In non-universal gauge interaction model, a tree level contribution from a **Z' boson** breaking unitarity might be present [K. Y. Lee PRD 76, 117702 2007]

Assume different couplings of 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> lepton generation ( $g_l$ ) and 3<sup>rd</sup> ( $g_h$ ):

$$g_l = e/\sin\theta_w \cos\phi$$

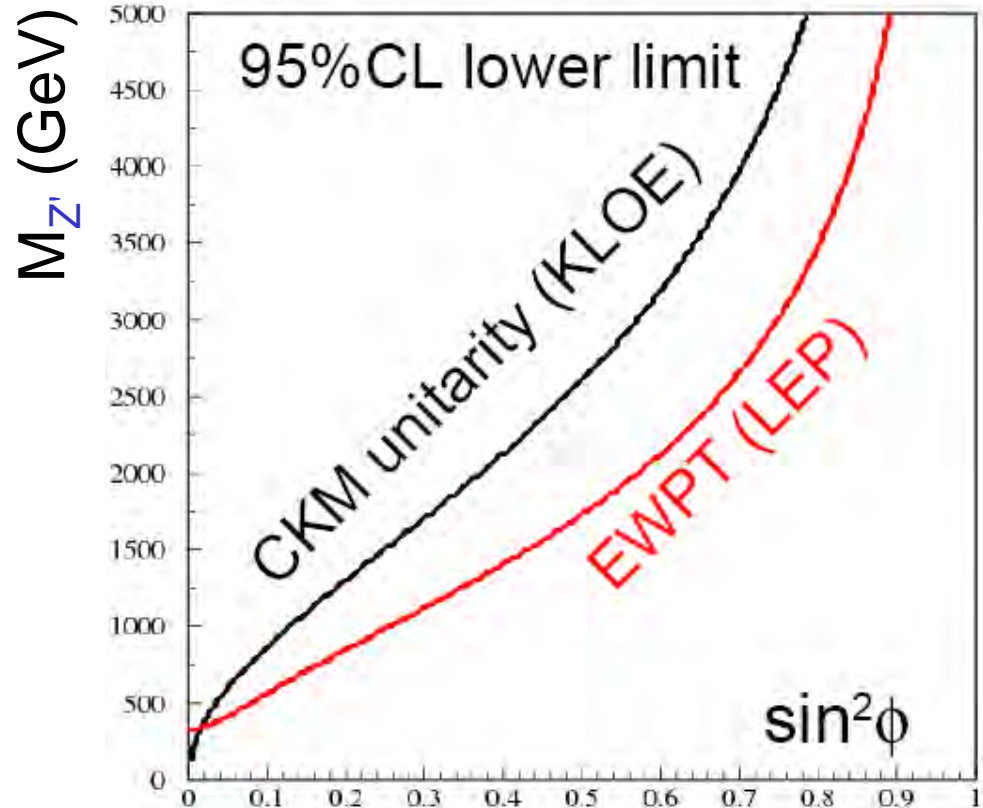
$$g_h = e/\sin\theta_w \sin\phi$$

$$g' = e/\cos\theta_w$$

$\theta_w$  is the weak mixing angle

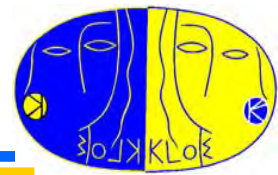
$\phi$  is the mixing angle between

$SU(2)_l$  and  $SU(2)_h$

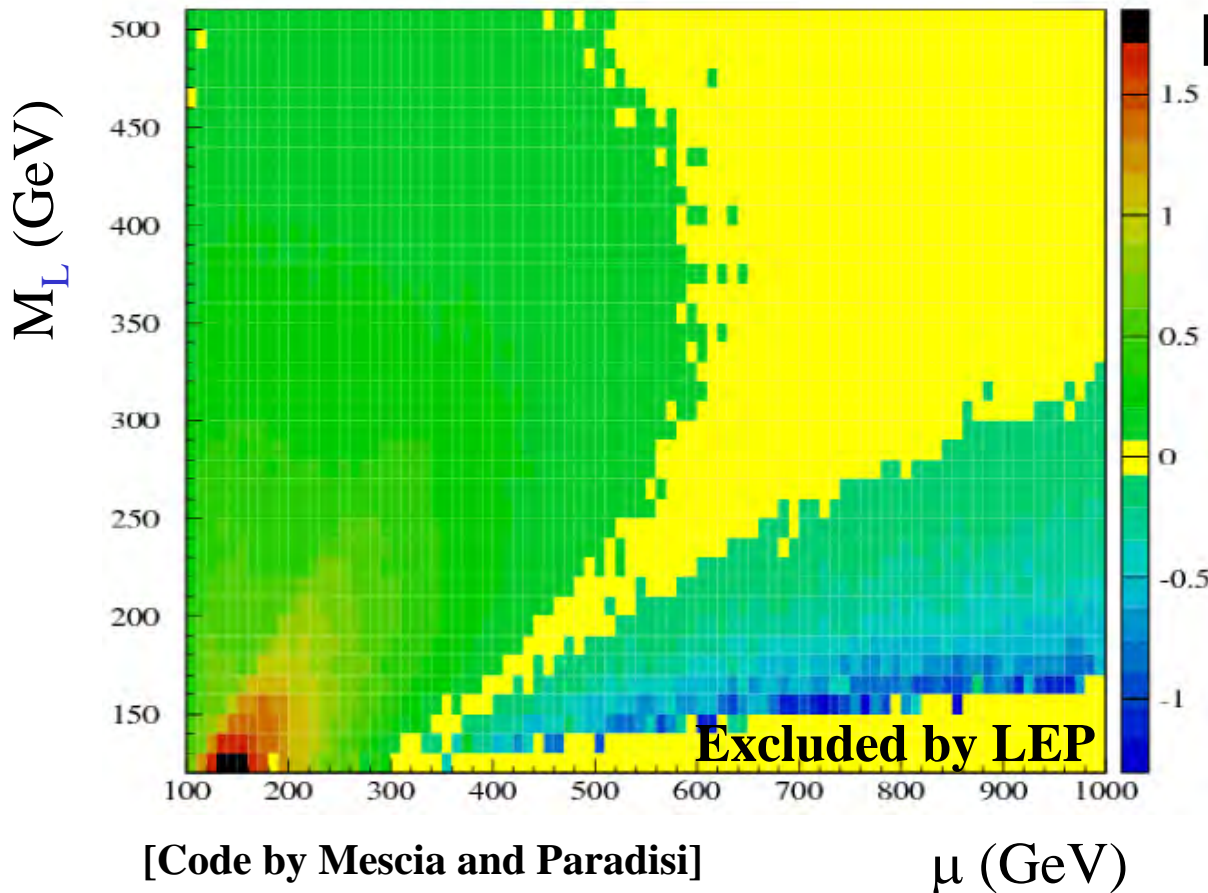


Gauge structure appears in extended technicolor

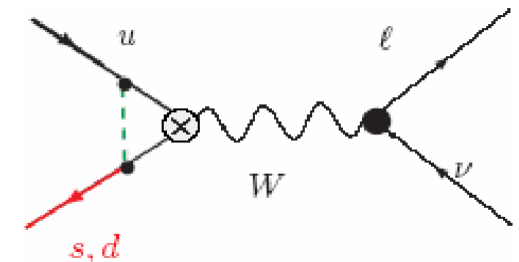
# Weak coupling universality test: MSSM



Scanning over MSSM parameter space, unitarity is sensitive to the squark-slepton mass difference [R. Barbieri 85, K. Hagiwara et al. 95, A Kurylov 00]



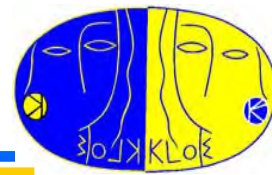
$$[1 - (V_{ud}^2 + V_{us}^2)^{1/2}] \times 10^4$$



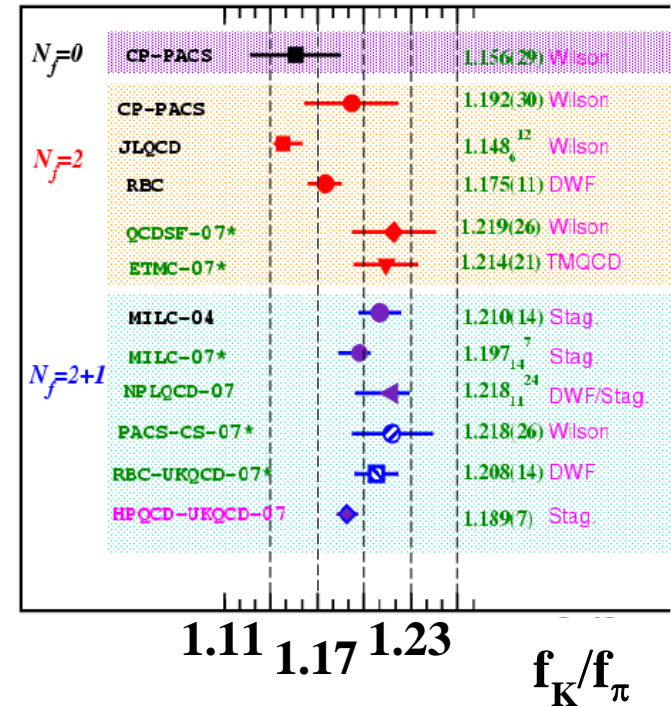
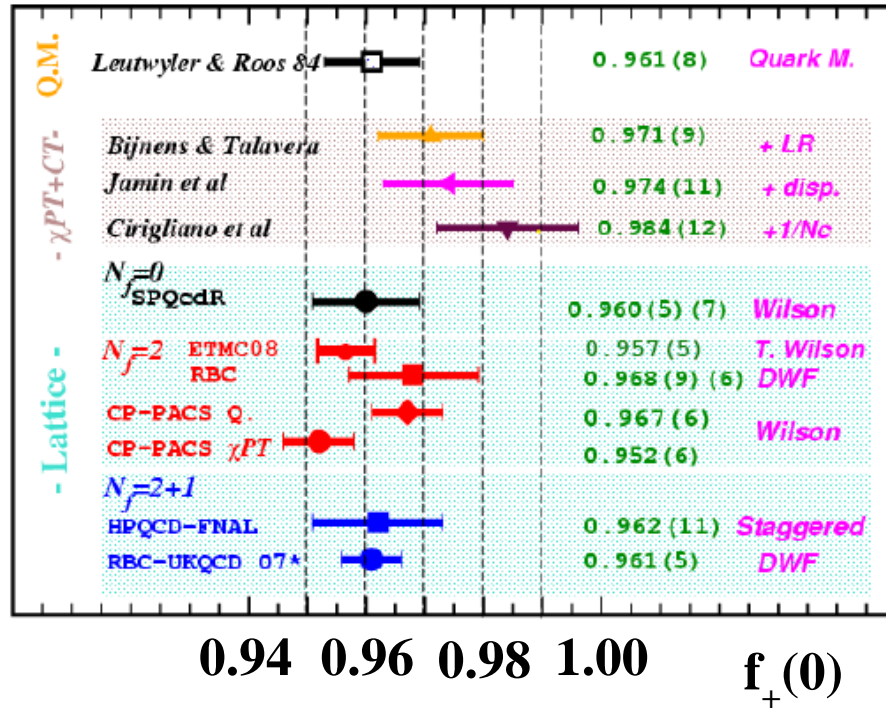
Present error 0.35%

Need to improve it by  $\times 2$  to really enter this game

# Weak coupling universality test: MSSM

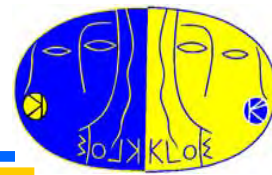


Chance of improving? Lattice seems very solid:



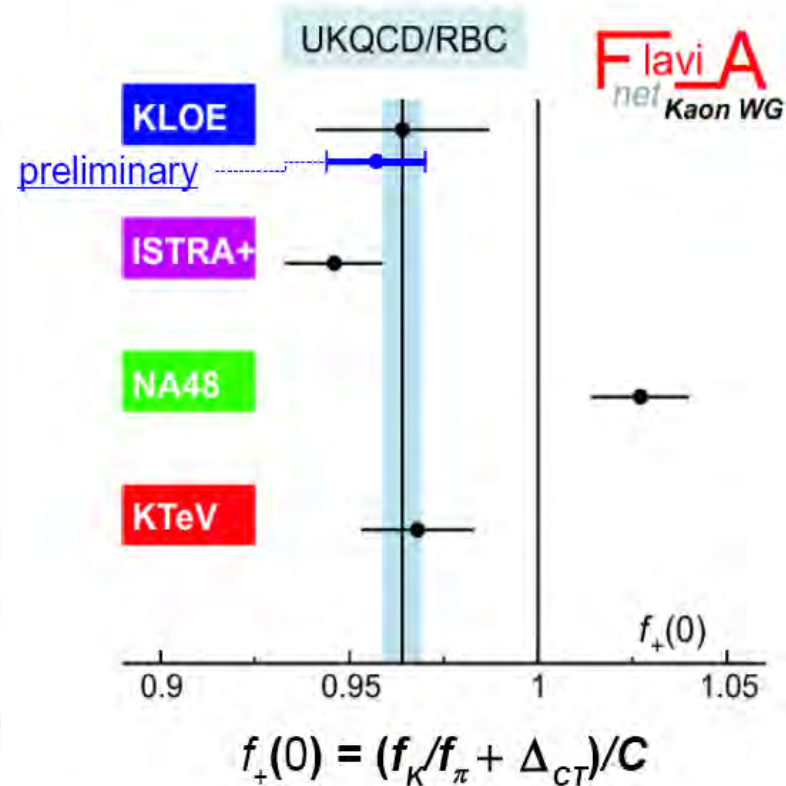
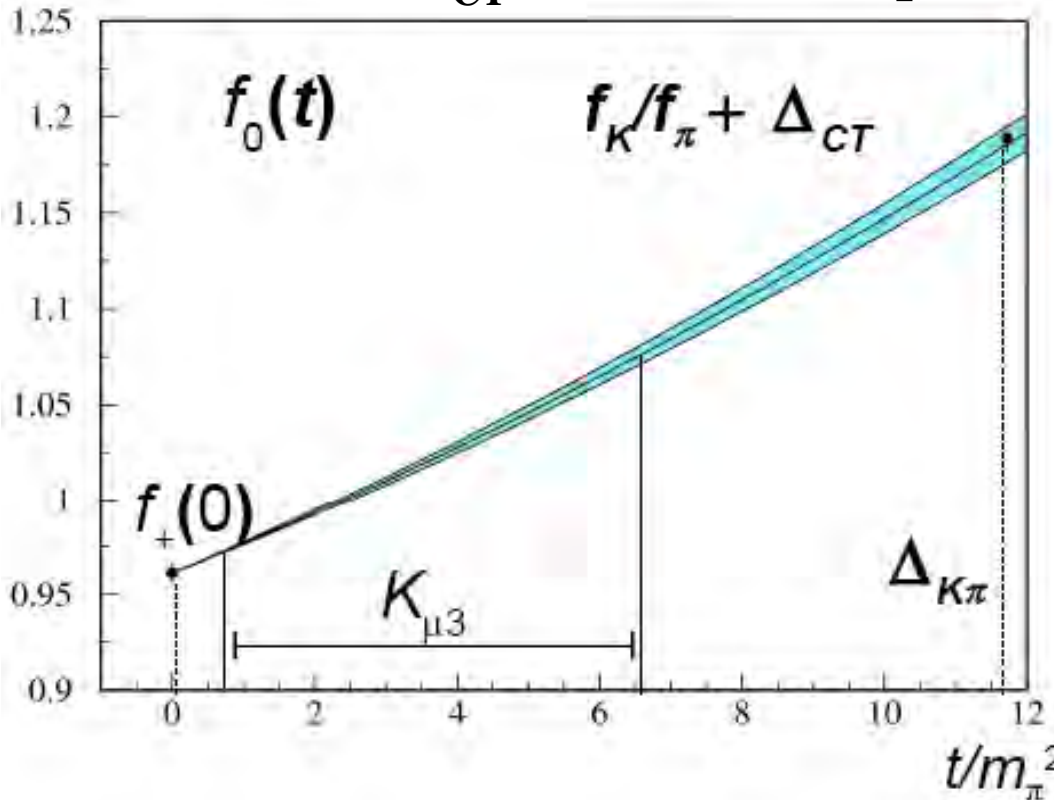
Other tools are available to validate lattice results

# Weak coupling universality test: MSSM



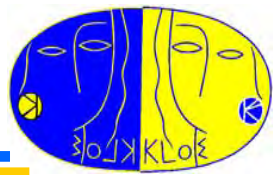
Dispersive parametrization of  $f_0(t)$  from  $K\mu 3 + K\pi$  scattering data  
 relate value in the Callan-Treiman point to  $f_K/f_\pi$  [Stern et al., Pich et al.]

The correction  $\Delta_{CT}$  is evaluated in p-QCD



Perspectives: info from  $\tau$  decay + theory improvements possible

# $K_{\mu 2}$ again – Sensitivity to NP



In two Higgs doublet models (MSSM, too), **exchange of  $H^+$  provides an additional scalar current, which might contribute sizeably wrt to SM:**

$$\frac{\Gamma(\mathbf{K} \rightarrow \ell \nu)}{\Gamma_{SM}(\mathbf{K} \rightarrow \ell \nu)} \simeq \left| 1 - \frac{m_{K^+}^2}{M_{H^+}^2} \left( 1 - \frac{m_d}{m_s} \right) \frac{\tan^2 \beta}{1 + \epsilon_0 \tan \beta} \right| \quad [\text{Hou PRD48 (1992) 2342, Isidori-Paradisi}]$$

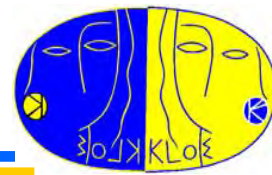
**NP effect is suppressed for  $\pi_{l2}$  wrt  $K_{l2}$ , so NP might appear in  $Kl2 / \pi l2$ , predicted in the SM to be:**

$$\frac{\Gamma(K_{l2}^{\pm}(\gamma))}{\Gamma(\pi_{l2}^{\pm}(\gamma))} = \left| \frac{V_{us}}{V_{ud}} \right|^2 \frac{f_K^2 m_K}{f_{\pi}^2 m_{\pi}} \left( \frac{1 - m_{\ell}^2/m_K^2}{1 - m_{\ell}^2/m_{\pi}^2} \right)^2 \times (1 + \delta_{em})$$

**NP test from comparing  $V_{us}/V_{ud}$  from  $M \rightarrow \ell \nu$  with  $V_{us}(K_{l3})/V_{ud}(0^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$ :**

$$\left| \frac{V_{us}(K_{l2})}{V_{us}(K_{l3})} \times \frac{V_{ud}(0^+ \rightarrow 0^+)}{V_{ud}(\pi_{l2})} \right| \stackrel{?}{=} \left| 1 - \frac{m_{K^+}^2}{M_{H^+}^2} \left( 1 - \frac{m_d}{m_s} \right) \frac{\tan^2 \beta}{1 + \epsilon_0 \tan \beta} \right|$$

# $K_{\mu 2}$ – Sensitivity to NP



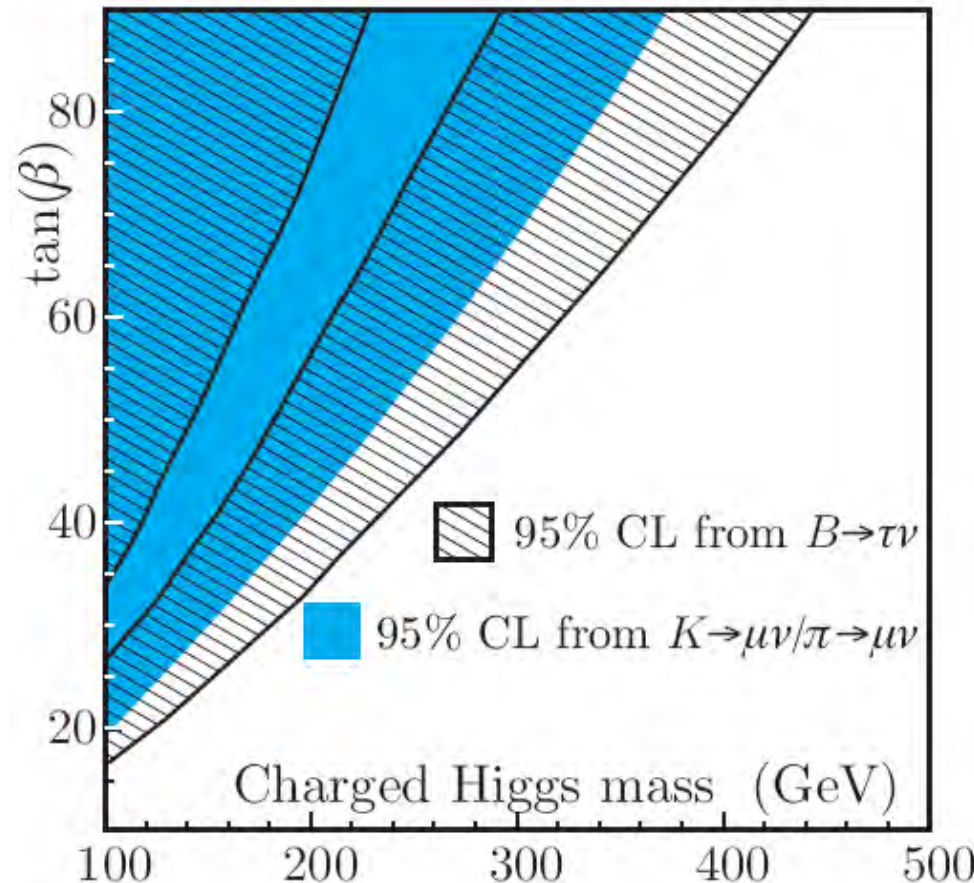
**Result is:** 
$$\left| \frac{V_{us}(K\ell 2)}{V_{us}(K\ell 3)} \times \frac{V_{ud}(0^+ \rightarrow 0^+)}{V_{ud}(\pi\ell 2)} \right| = 1.008(8)$$

**NP sensitivity from  $K \rightarrow \mu\nu$  ~ as that from  $BR(B \rightarrow \tau\nu) = 1.73(35) \times 10^{-4}$**

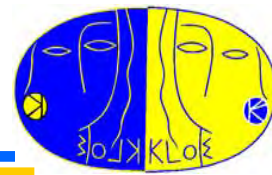
For Belle update see A. Bozek and E. Baracchini talks. For a combined fit in 2-Higgs doublet models, see M. Goebel talk in this conference

**Error dominated by theoretical uncertainties in form factors**

**NP induced by weak right-handed currents can be also tested (there, complement lattice information with Callan-Treiman scalar ff constraint) [FlaviaNet arXiv:0801.1817]**



# *NP potential of $R_K = \Gamma(K_{e2})/\Gamma(K_{\mu2})$*



SM prediction w 0.04% precision, benefits of cancellation of hadronic uncertainties (no  $f_K$ ):  $R_K = 2.477(1) \times 10^{-5}$  [Cirigliano Rosell JHEP 710:005, 2007]

Helicity suppression can boost NP [Masiero-Paradisi-Petronzio PRD74 (2006) 011701]

In R-parity MSSM, **LFV can give 1% deviations** from SM:

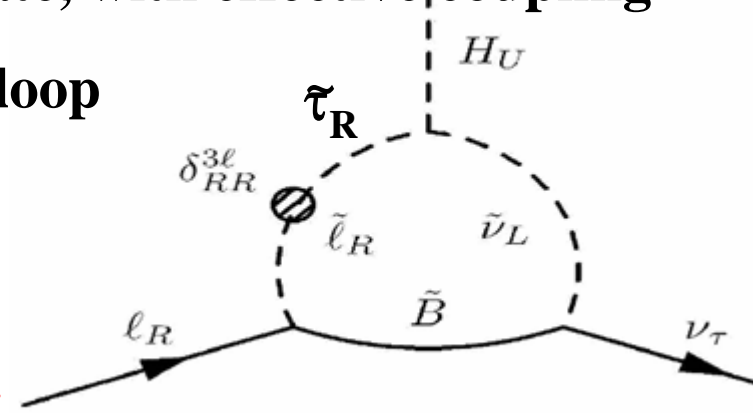
$$R_K^{LFV} \simeq R_K^{SM} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{m_K^4}{M_H^4} \right) \left( \frac{m_\tau^2}{m_e^2} \right) |\Delta_R^{31}|^2 \tan^6 \beta \right]$$

NP dominated by contribution of  $e\nu_\tau$  final state, with effective coupling

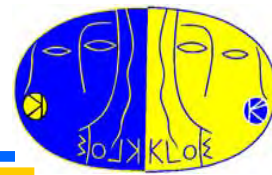
$$lH^\pm \nu_\tau \rightarrow \frac{g_2}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{m_\tau}{M_W} \Delta_{13}, \text{ from loop}$$

Present exp. accuracy on  $R_K$  @ 6%

New measurement of  $R_K$  can be very interesting, **if error is pushed @1% or better**



# Entering the precision realm for $R_K$



**Main actors (experiments) in the challenge to push down precision on  $R_K$ :**

## **KLOE**

- preliminary result with 2001—5 data:  $R_K = 2.55 (5)_{\text{stat}} (5)_{\text{syst}} 10^{-5}$ , from  $\sim 8000$  Ke2 candidates (3% accuracy)

## **NA48/2**

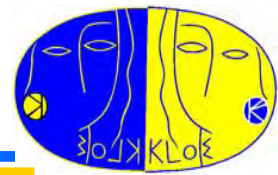
- preliminary result with 2003 data:  $R_K = 2.416 (43)_{\text{stat}} (24)_{\text{syst}} 10^{-5}$ , from  $\sim 4000$  Ke2 candidates, statistical error dominating (2% accuracy)
- preliminary result with 2004 data:  $R_K = 2.455 (45)_{\text{stat}} (41)_{\text{syst}} 10^{-5}$ , from  $\sim 4000$  Ke2 candidates from special minimum bias run (3% accuracy)

## **NA62 (ex NA48), see talk by A. Winhart in this conference**

- collected  $\sim 150,000$  Ke2 events in dedicated 2007 run, aims at breaking the 1% precision wall, possibly reaching  $< \sim 0.5\%$



# Analysis of $K_{e2}/K_{\mu2}$ – basic principles

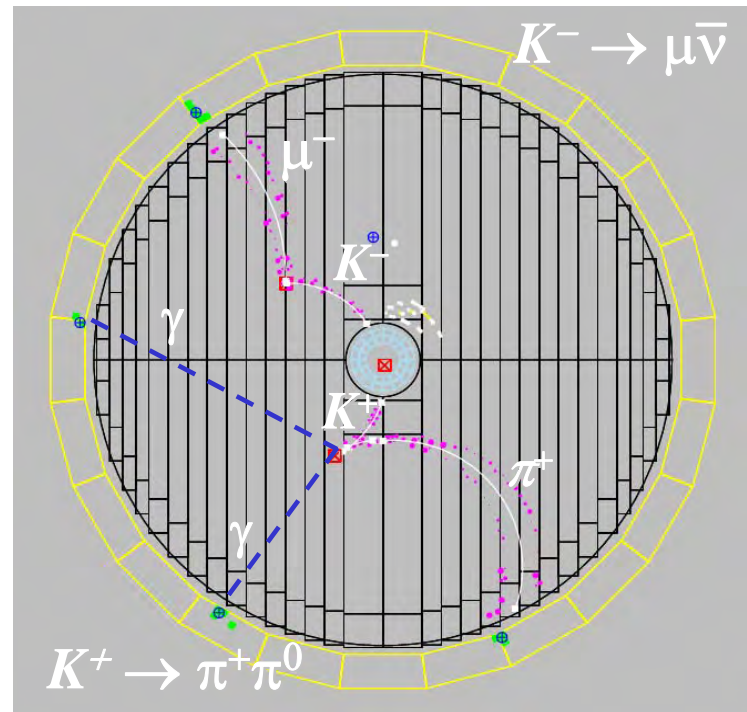
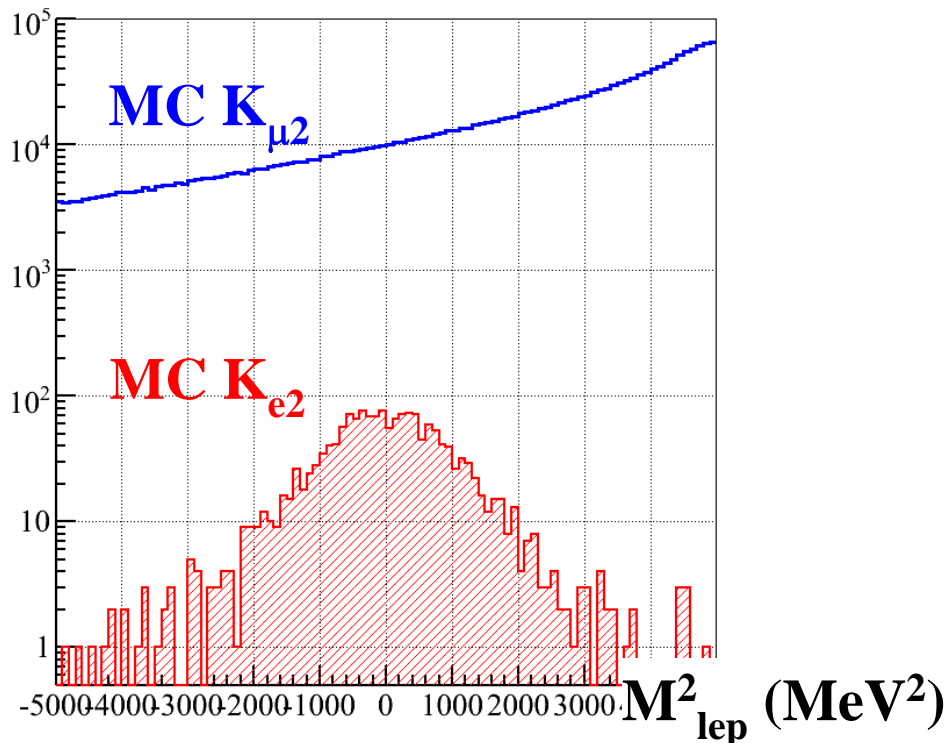


KLOE integrated  $\sim 2.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data &  $\text{BR}(K_{e2}) \sim 10^{-5}$ : expect  $< \sim 4 \times 10^4$  events

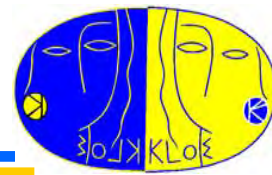
Perform **direct search** for  $K_{e2}$  and  $K_{\mu2}$ , no tag: **gain  $\times 4$  of statistics**

Select 1-prong kinks in DC, K track from IP & secondary P  $> 180 \text{ MeV}$

Exploit tracking of K and secondary: assuming  $m_\nu = 0$  get  $M_{\text{lep}}^2$



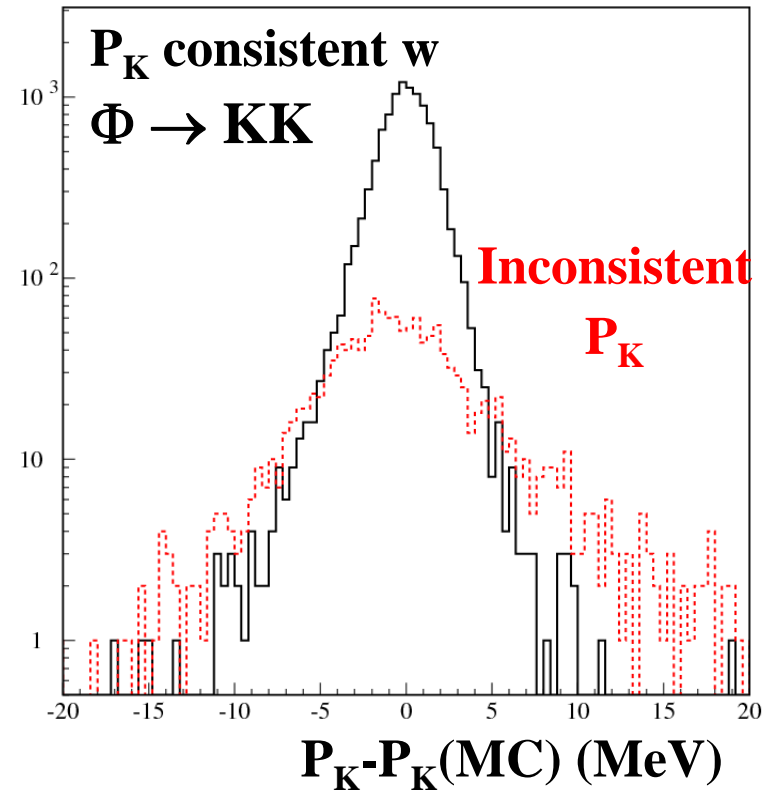
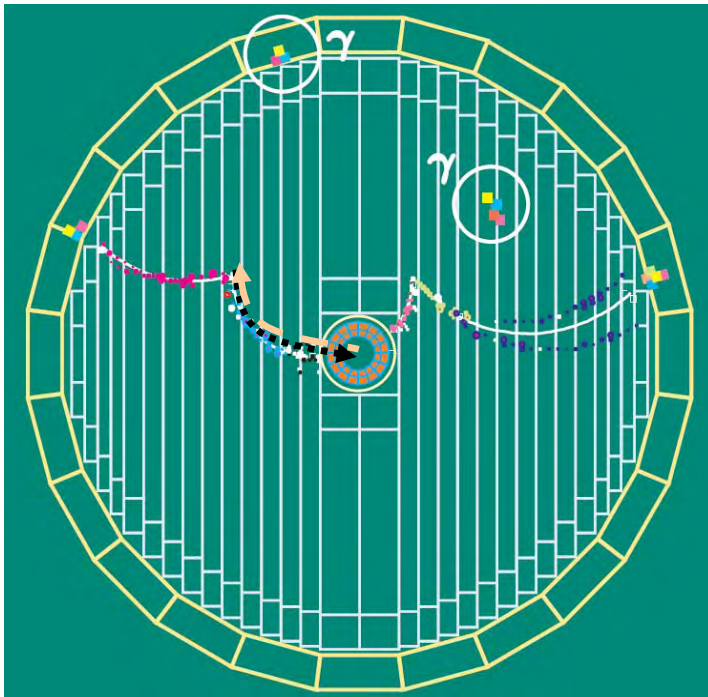
# $R_K$ analysis, kinematic selection



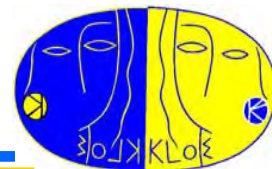
Rule of the game: reject  $K\mu 2$  by  $10^4$ , with  $Ke 2$  efficiency of  $O(50\%)$ ...

Background composition:  $K\mu 2$  events with bad  $P_K$ , bad  $P_1$  reconstruction

Apply quality cuts for  $K$  and **exploit  $\Phi \rightarrow KK$  two-body kinematics**



# $R_K$ analysis, kinematic selection

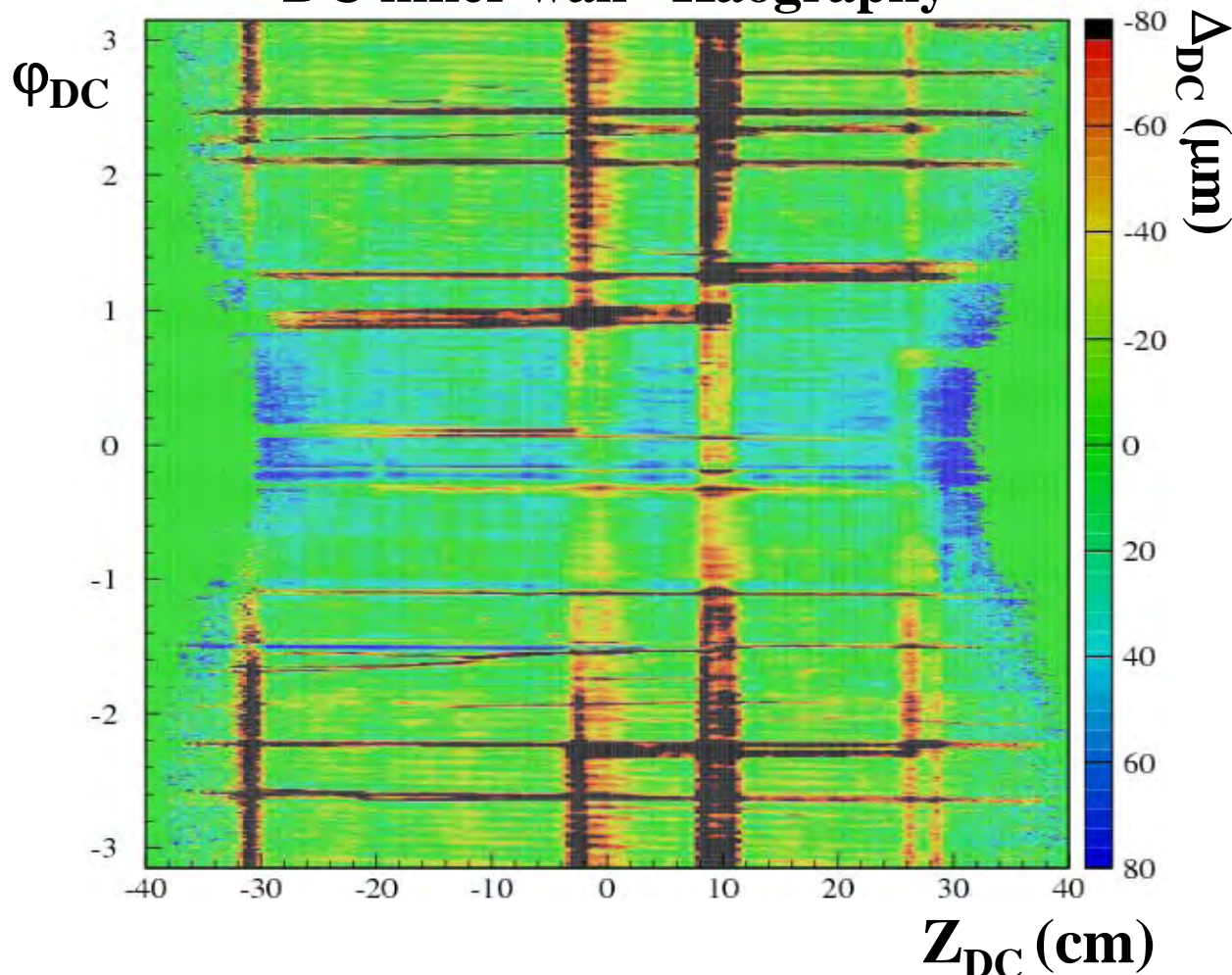


## DC inner wall “Kaography”

In doing extrapolation for K, material budget is a key issue:  $\beta_K \sim 0.2$

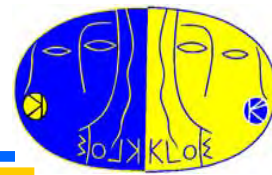
For the Carbon-fiber DC inner wall, sensitivity on thickness difference

$\Delta_{DC}$  wrt nominal value of 0.9 mm is order of  $10 \mu\text{m}$



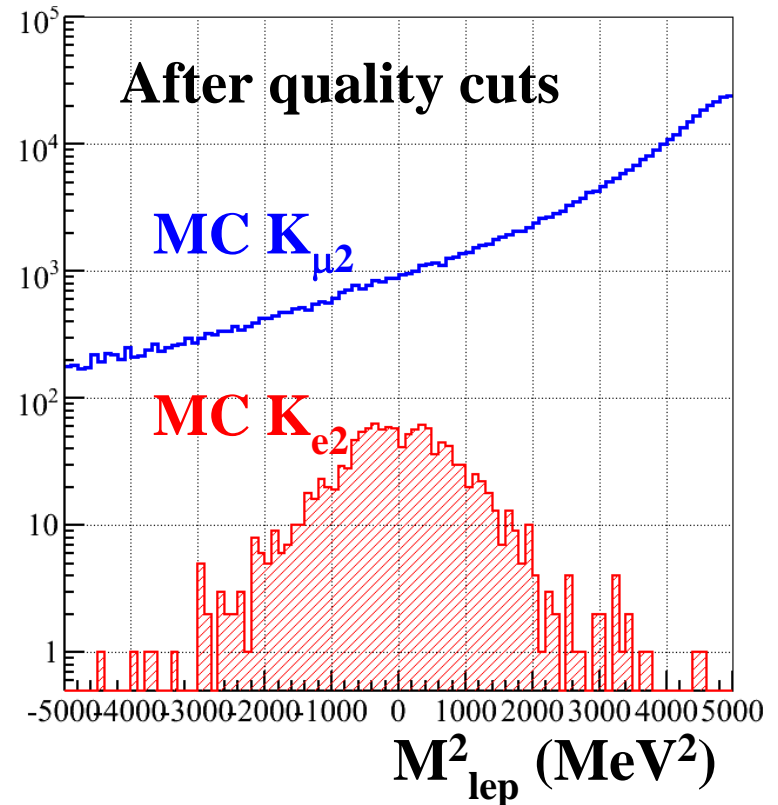
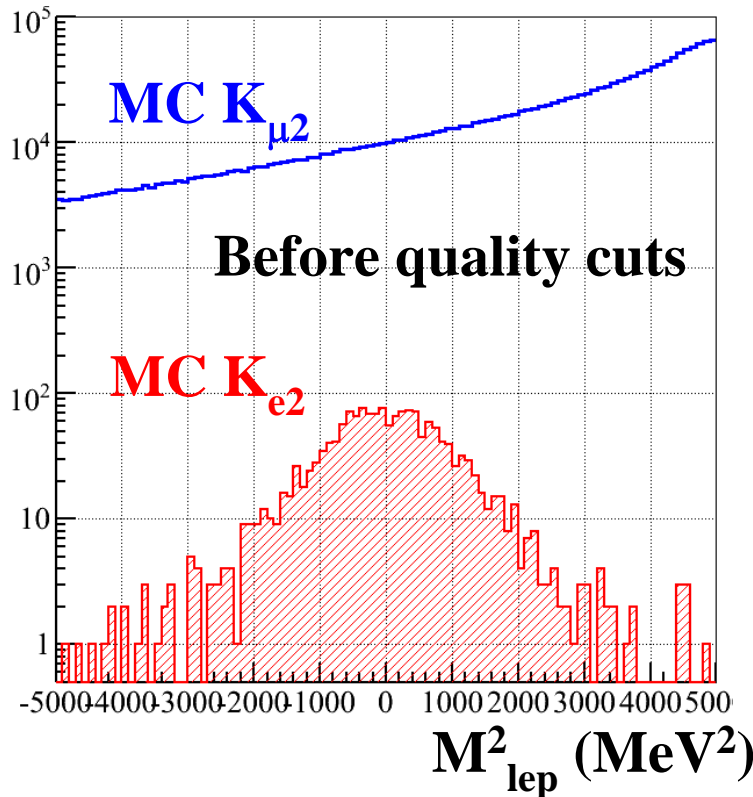
Get rid of bad- $P_1$ 's using fit quality + asymmetry of DC hits in L & R views

# $R_K$ analysis, quality criteria



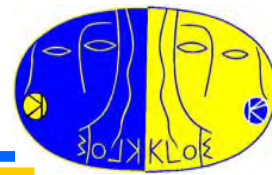
$M_{\text{lep}}^2 = f(P_K, P_l, \cos\theta) \rightarrow$  a-priori error  $\delta M_{\text{lep}}^2$  is scaled by **opening angle**

Achieve cancellation in  $K_{e2}/K_{\mu2}$  efficiencies, applying  $\cos\theta$  trailing cuts



**Efficiency ~ 33% at this level**

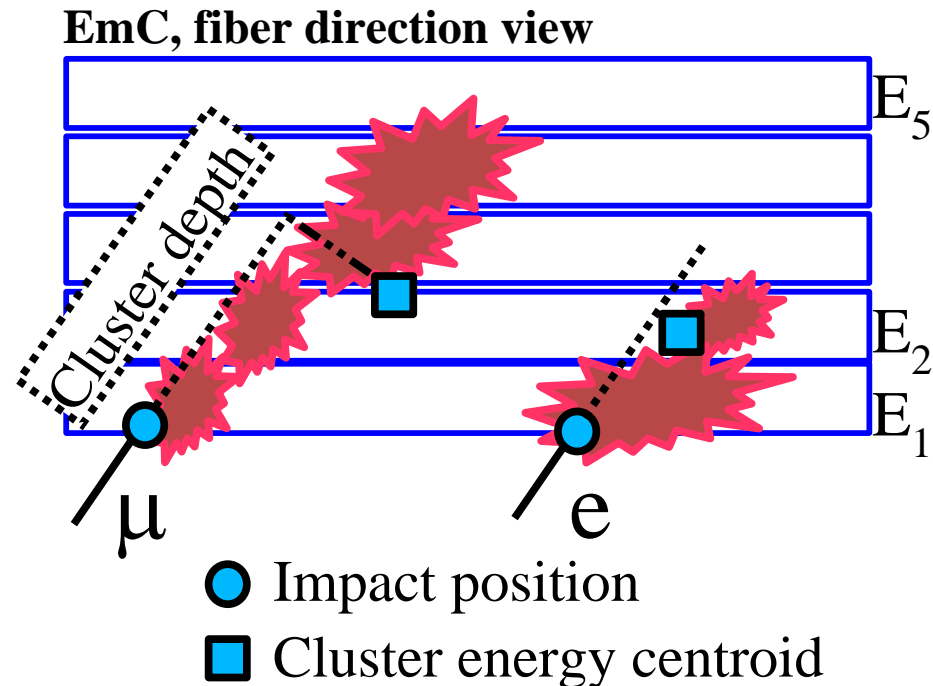
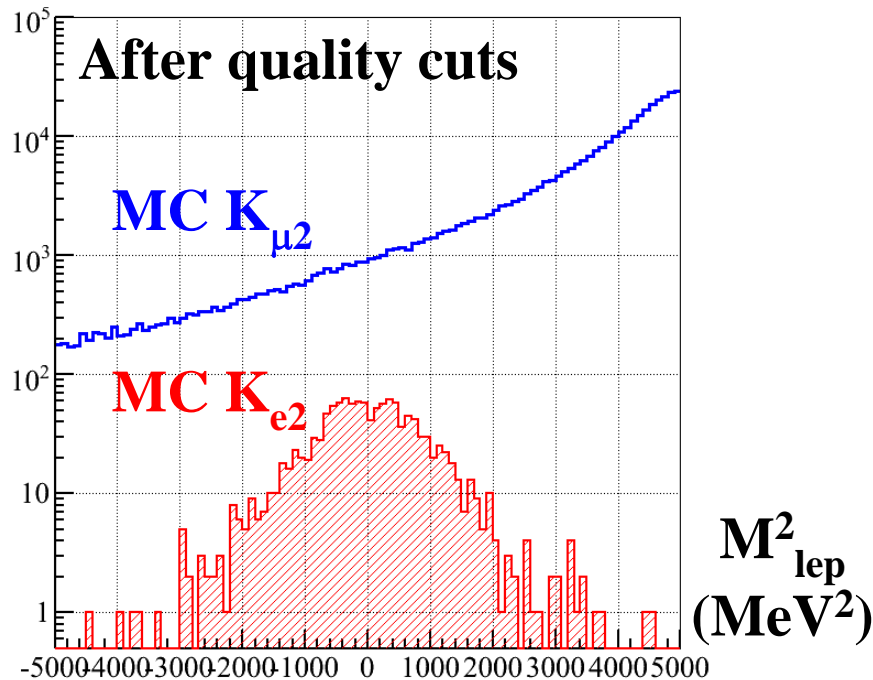
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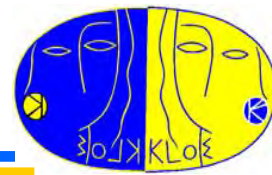
Apply quality cuts, enough to count  $K_{\mu 2}$ , not for  $K_{e 2}$  (still Bkg  $\sim 10 \times \text{Sig}$ )

**Further rejection for  $K_{e 2}$ :** extrapolate track to EmC, select closest cluster

PID exploits EmC granularity: energy deposits  $E_k$  into 5 layers in depth



# Analysis of $R_K$ electron identification



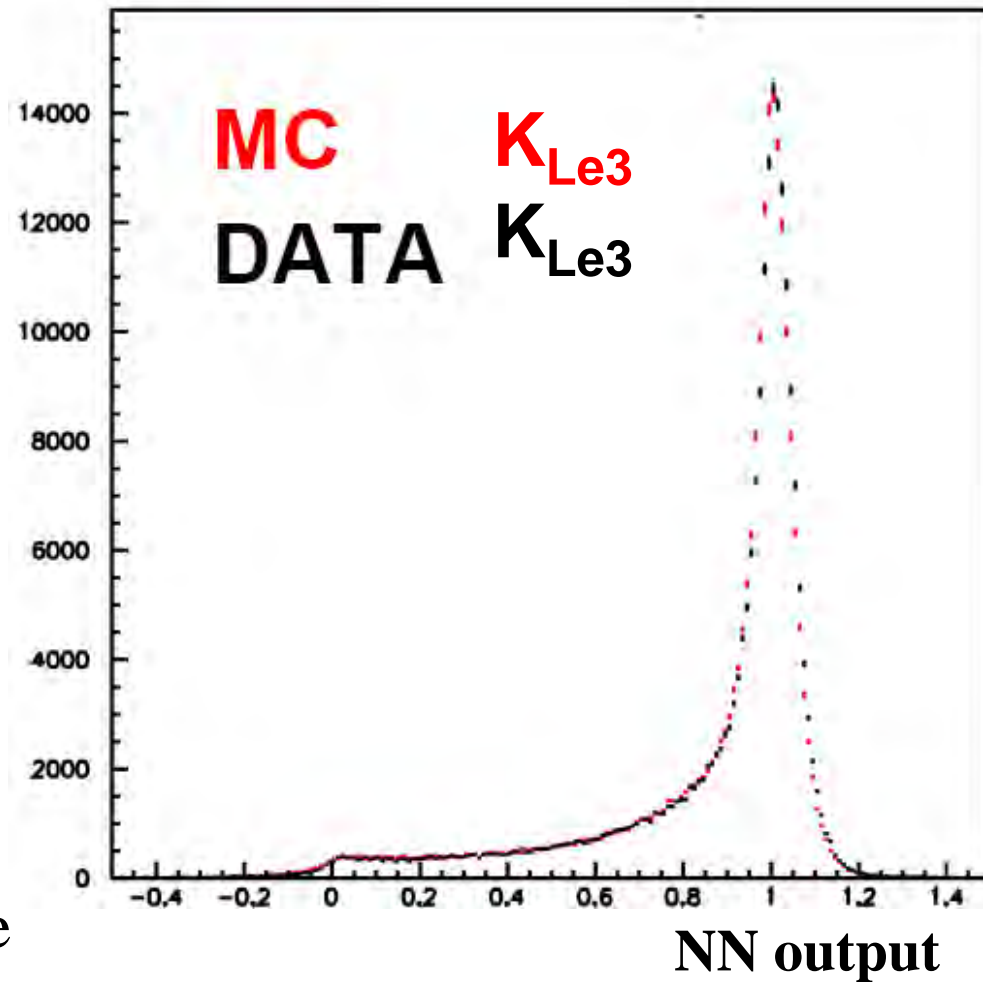
Improve bkg rejection, PID refined

Combine 12 variables using NN

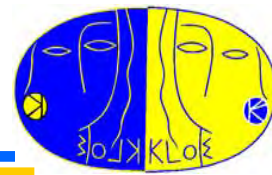
- E/P
- Cluster depth
- Asymmetry of energy lost in first two innermost (outermost) planes
- **T2p, Aet (curvature of the fit)**
- **Energy deposit in first 15 cm**
- **Skewness of cell-depth distribution**
- RMS of plane energies ( $E_{\text{RMS}}$ )
- Plane releases: E1, Nmax, Emax
- **TOF**

Parametrize with  $P_{\text{lep}}$ , impact angle

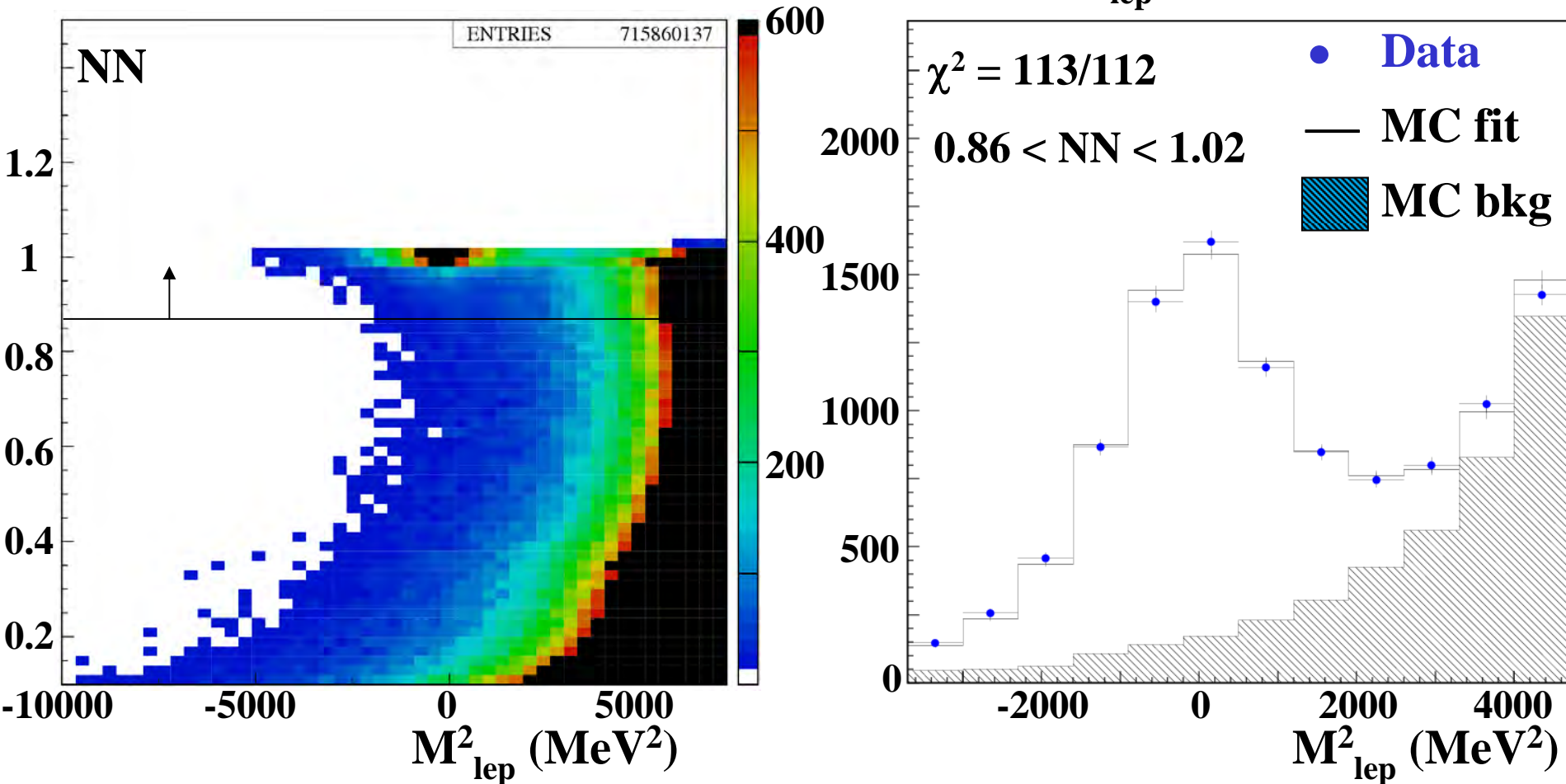
Use  $K_{\text{Le3}}$  to correct **MC** response at cell level and use MC to train NN



# $R_K$ analysis, fitting for $Ke2$ counting

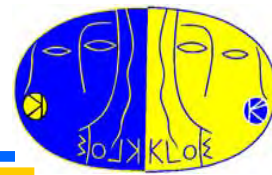


Two-dimensional binned likelihood fit in the  $NN$ -  $M_{lep}^2$  plane

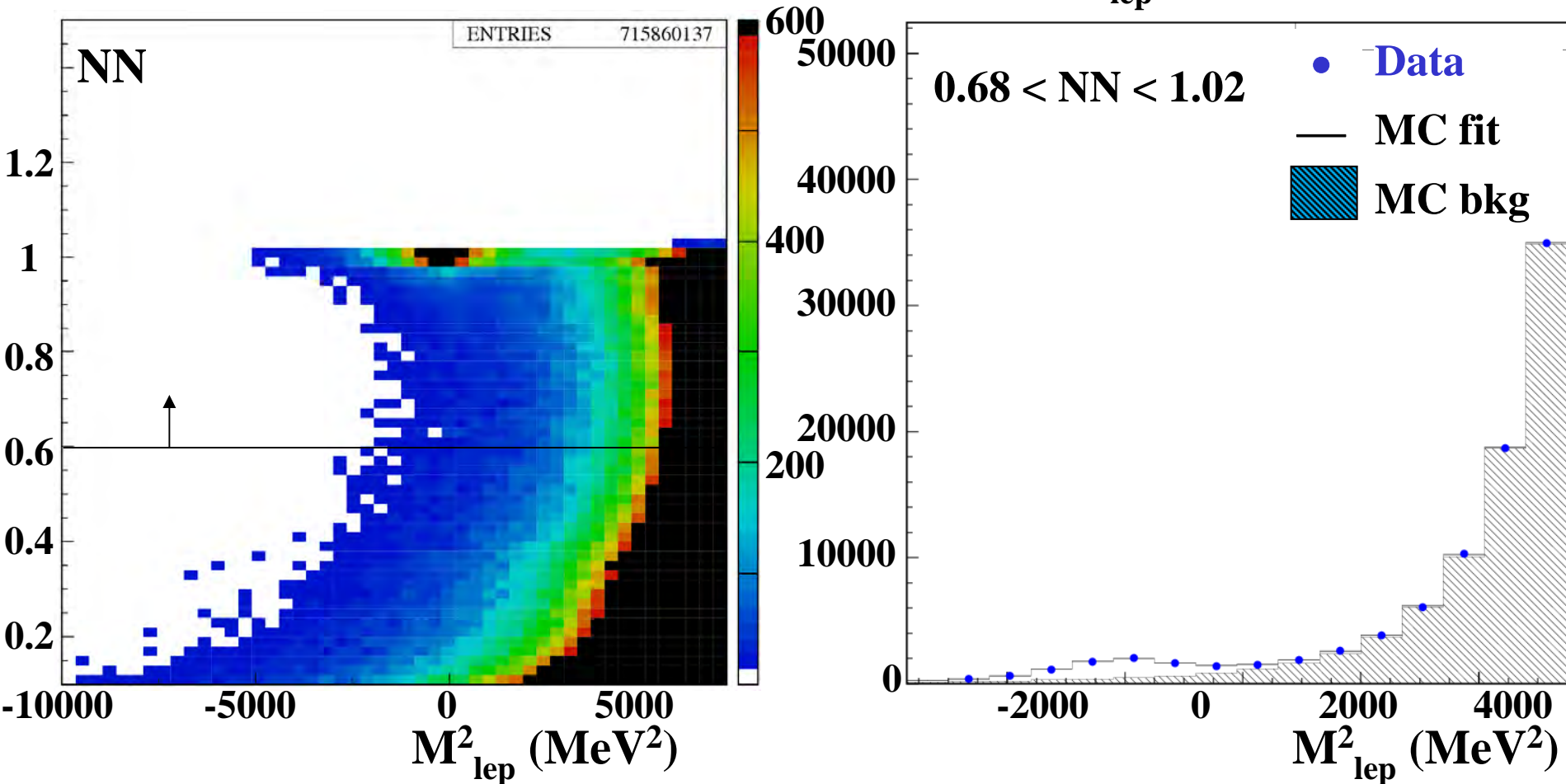


Count in entire statistics:  $N_{Ke2}(e^+) = 7060(98)$ ,  $N_{Ke2}(e^-) = 6750(97)$

# $R_K$ analysis, fitting for $Ke2$ counting



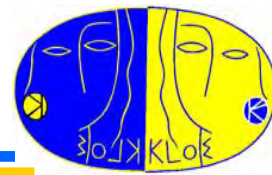
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Vary significantly contamination + lever arm to assess fit systematics



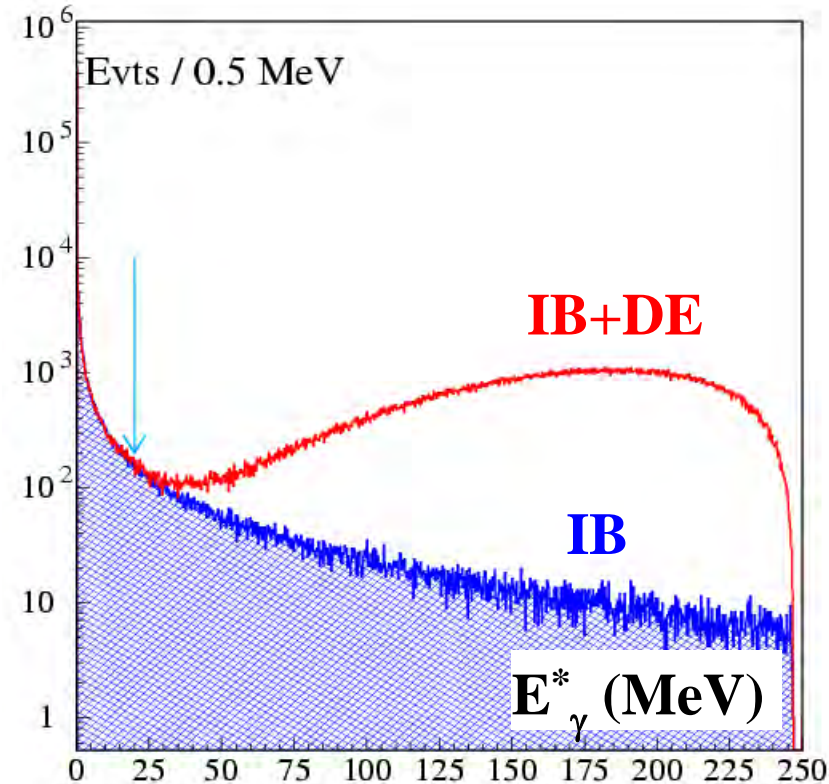
# Analysis of $R_K$ – Radiative corrections



To match theory, has to count **IB** only  
Expect **DE** ~ **IB** , but we poorly know

$$\delta \text{DE}/\text{DE} \sim 15\%$$

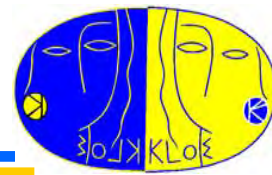
- Fit using **IB+DE**, count **IB** by considering as “signal” events those with  $E_\gamma^* < 20$  MeV
- Correct for **IB** tail,  $\epsilon^{\text{IB}} = 95.28(5)$
- Repeat fit varying **DE** by its 15% uncertainty, get 0.45% error...



...too bad. Perform a dedicated analysis to measure **DE**:

- Explicitly detect radiated photon
- Compare **DE/IB** ratio with expectation from theory

# Analysis of $R_K$ – Radiative corrections

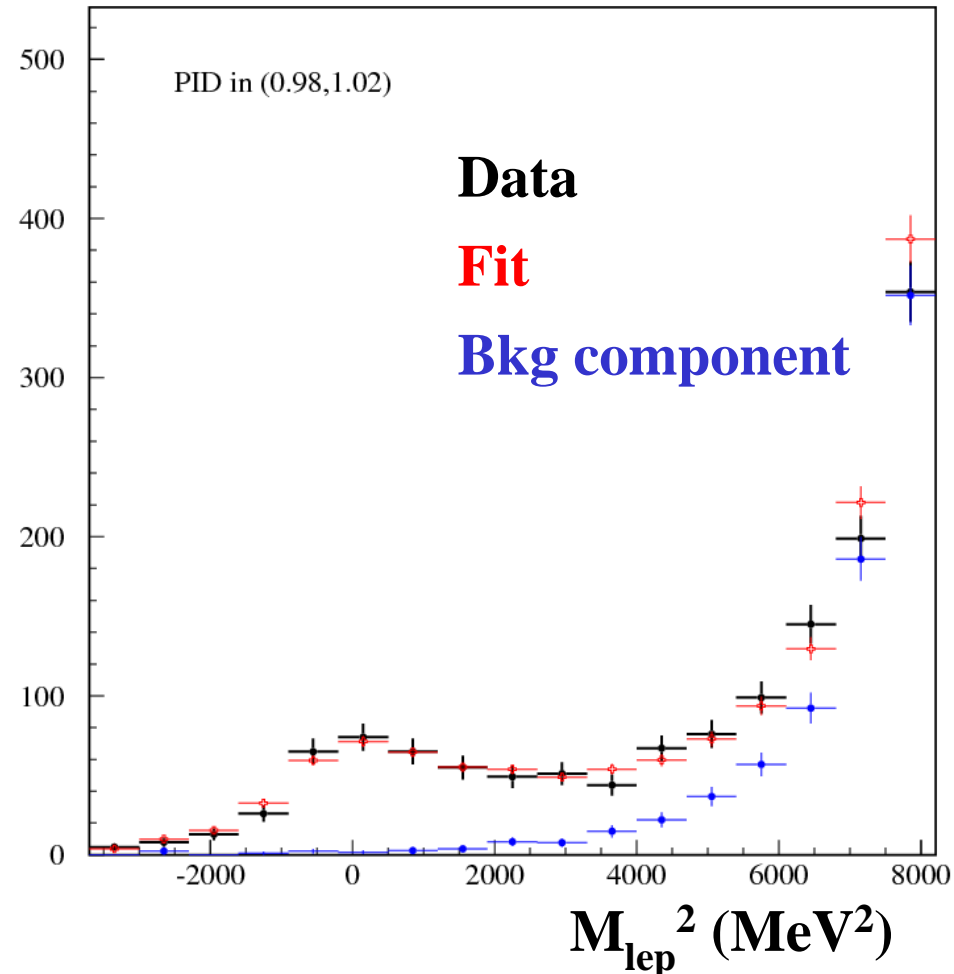


Pass from IB/DE  $\sim 9$  to IB/DE  $\sim 0.6$  by explicitly detecting radiated  $\gamma$

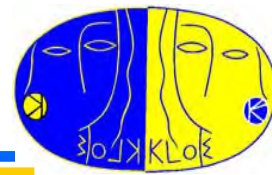
Count 752(36) + 692(36) events

Obtain: **IB/(IB+DE) = 0.5153(96)**

- Agrees with expectation,  
 $IB_{SM}/(IB_{SM}+DE_{mmt}) = 0.509(38)$
- Allow systematics from DE to IB measurement to be pushed down at 0.1%



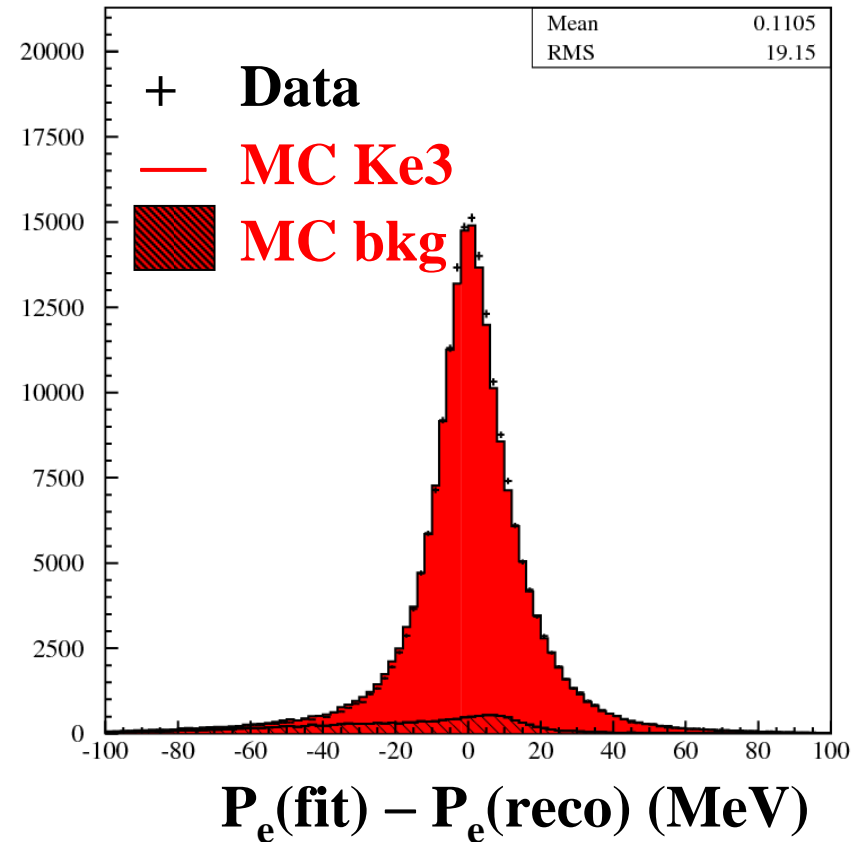
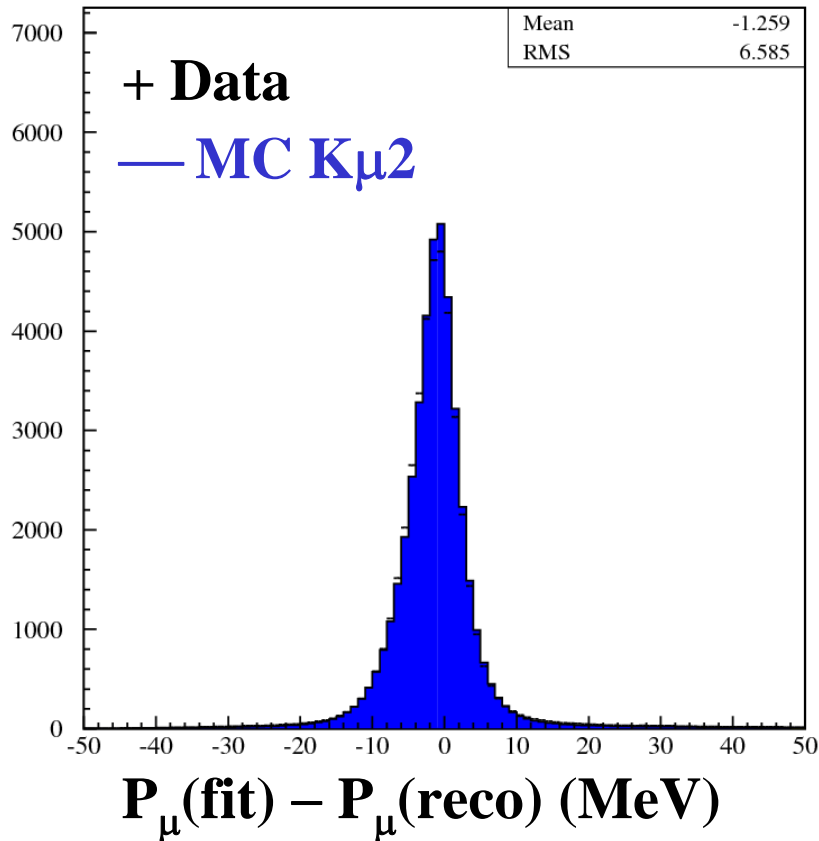
# $R_K$ at KLOE, efficiency evaluation



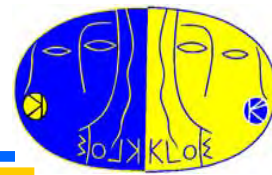
Reconstruction efficiency from MC, corrections from control samples

Select  $K^{\pm, -}_{\mu 2}$  and  $K^{\pm, -}_{e 3}$  in events tagged by identification of a  $K^{\pm, +}_{\mu 2}$  decay

Fit  $P_{\mu}(P_e)$  using  $\mu(e)$  cluster r,t (& E), kinematics: no K,  $\mu(e)$  trks required



# $R_K$ systematic error budget



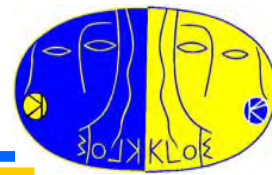
Source	Systematic error [%]		Main method
	Stat	Syst	
Reconstruction	0.4	0.4	Control samples
Trigger efficiency	0.4		Downscaled events
Bkg subtraction		0.3	Fit range variation
Ke2(DE) component	0.1		Measurement on data
Clustering for e, $\mu$	0.3		KL control samples
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.5</b>	

Further systematic check: use same algorithms to measure  $R_3 = K e 3 / K \mu 3$

$$R_3 = 1.507 \pm 0.005 \text{ for } K^+$$

$$R_3 = 1.510 \pm 0.006 \text{ for } K^-$$

world avg  $R_3 = 1.506 \pm 0.003$  (FlaviaNet)



$$\mathbf{R_K = (2.493 \pm 0.025 \pm 0.019) 10^{-5}}$$

Stat error is 1.1% (0.85% from 14K Ke2 events  $\oplus$  bkg subtraction)

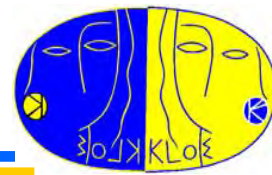
Syst error is dominated by statistics again (0.015)

Measurement do not depend on K charge (good systematic check)

$K^+$ : 2.496(37) vs  $K^-$ : 2.490(38), (uncorrelated errors only)

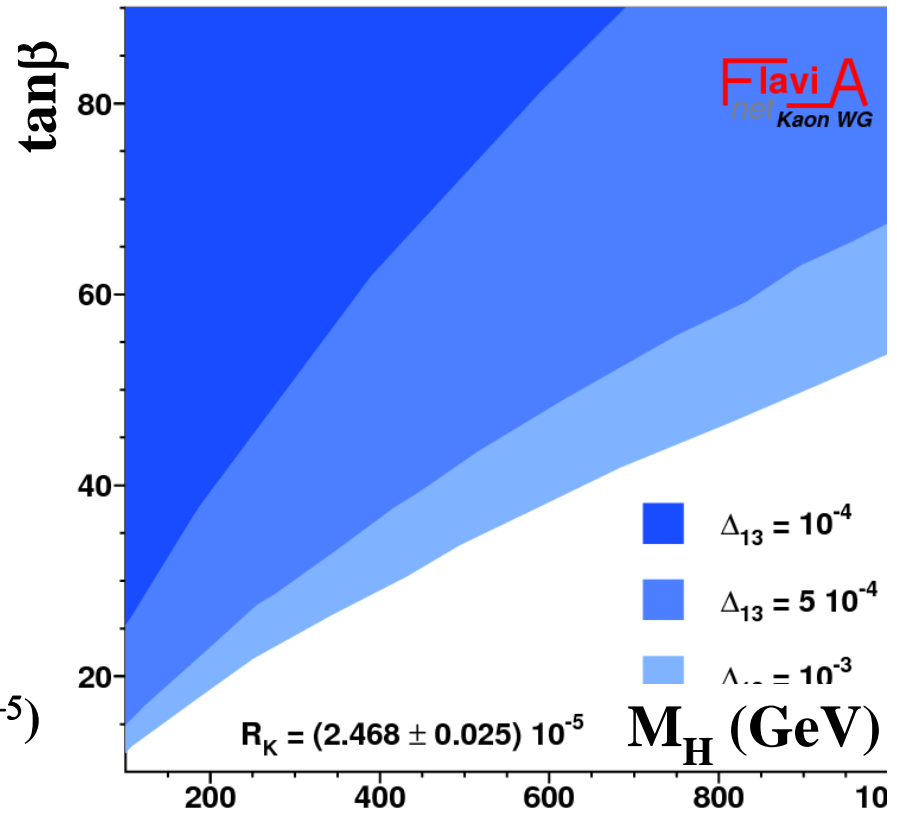
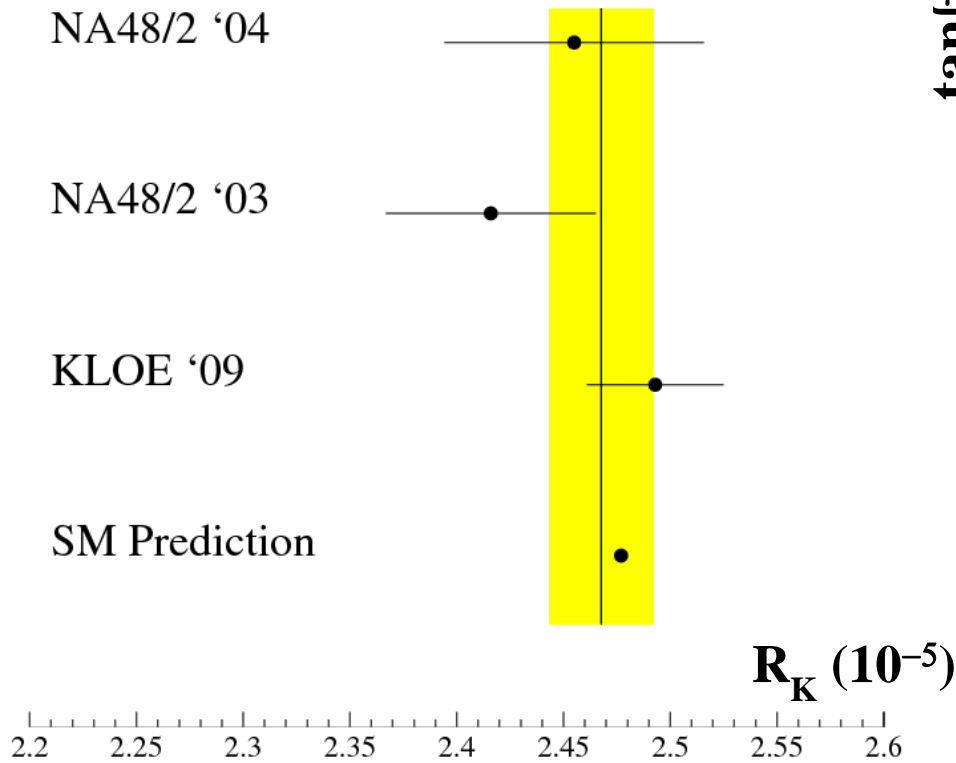
Measurement agrees with SM prediction,  $\mathbf{R_K = 2.477(1)}$

# $R_K$ – Sensitivity to NP

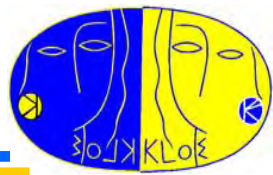


Sensitivity shown as 95%-CL excluded regions in the  $\tan\beta$  -  $M_H$  plane, for fixed values of the 1-3 slepton-mass matrix element,  $\Delta_{13} = 10^{-3}, 0.5 \times 10^{-3}, 10^{-4}$

WA w new KLOE result:  $R_K = 2.468(25) \times 10^{-5}$



# Conclusions – kaon physics



**Recent KLOE mmts greatly improve knowledge of gauge coupling:**

Comprehensive set of observables for K decays: **BR's,  $\tau$ 's, FF's**

**Improved unitarity test of 1<sup>st</sup> row of CKM matrix:  $1 - V_{ud}^2 - V_{us}^2 = 4(7) 10^{-4}$**

**Sensitivity to NP contribution from test of universality of gauge coupling**

**Lepton universality test from  $K_{l3}$  decays satisfied at  $< 0.5\%$**

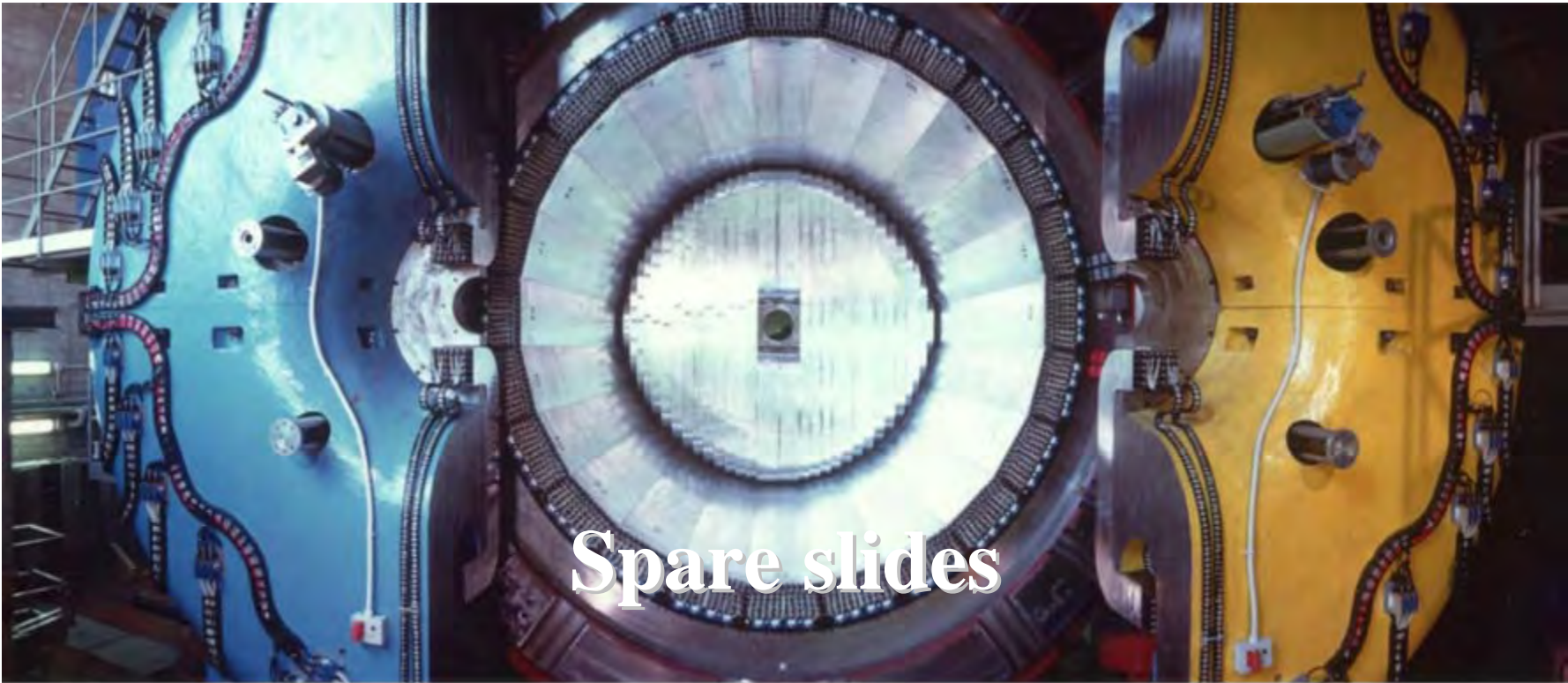
**New and interesting tests of NP effects from two-body decay studies**

**Sensitivity to NP effects from  $K_{\mu 2}/\pi_{\mu 2}$ : comparable to  $B \rightarrow \tau \nu$**

**Golden observable:  $R_K$ , final result  $R_K = (2.493 \pm 0.025 \pm 0.019) \times 10^{-5}$**

**Future developments:**

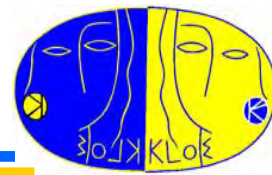
**Focus on FF slopes from  $K^{\pm}_{l3}$  decays +  $BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi \mu \nu)$ , still missing**



Spare slides



# Status of $V_{ud}$ in 2008



1)  $G_V$  constant

$$\tau_t = \frac{K}{2G_V^2 (1 + \Delta_R)}$$

✓ verified to  $\pm 0.013\%$

2) Scalar current zero

✓ limit,  $C_S/C_V = 0.0011 (14)$

3) Precise value determined for  $V_{ud}$

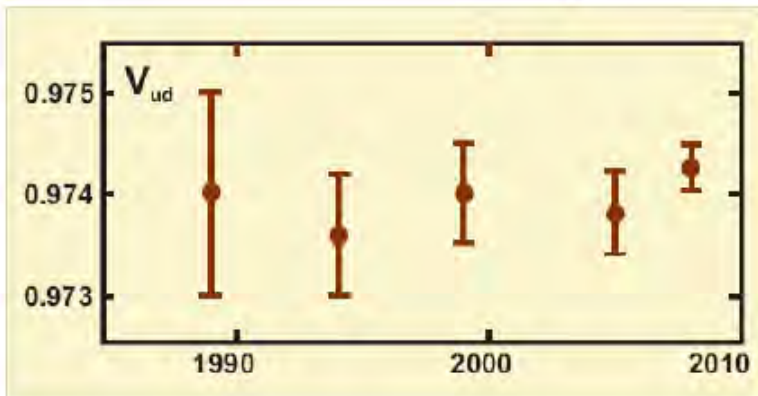
$$V_{ud} = G_V/G_\mu$$

$$V_{ud} = 0.97425 \pm 0.00023$$

Compare:

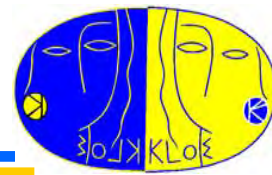
$$\text{neutron } V_{ud} = 0.9746 \pm 0.0019$$

$$\text{pion } V_{ud} = 0.9749 \pm 0.0026$$



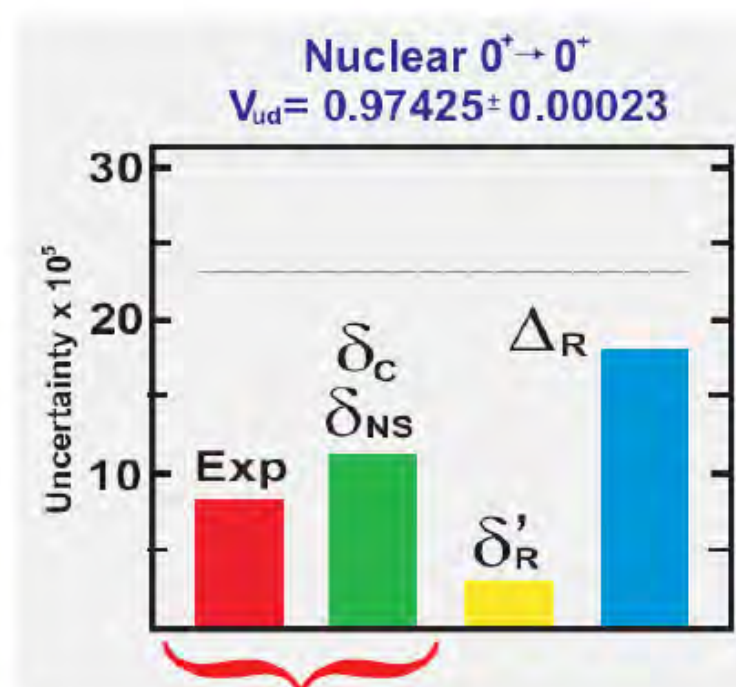
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# Possible improvements in $V_{ud}$



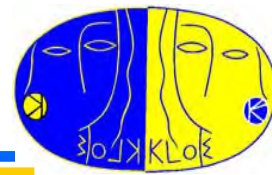
- Goal remains to tighten the window for new physics by reducing the uncertainty on  $V_{ud}$ .
- Uncertainty on calculated radiative correction  $\Delta_R$  is the dominant contribution to the error budget.
- Nuclear-structure-dependent corrections,  $\delta_C$  and  $\delta_{NS}$ , can be tested by experiment; this has already led to improvements, but more are still possible.

Data on “well known” transitions can be made more precise, and new cases can be measured.



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# Beyond the quadratic $ff$ parametrization



[Stern et al]

Dispersion relation for  $\ln f_0(t)$  subtracted at  $t = 0$  and  $t = m_K^2 - m_\pi^2$ , giving:

$$\tilde{f}_0(t) = \exp \left[ \frac{t}{m_K^2 - m_\pi^2} (\ln C - G(t)) \right]$$

$G(t)$  evaluated using  $K\pi$  scattering data

1 fit parameter:  
log C

$$\log C = 0.204 \pm 0.023$$

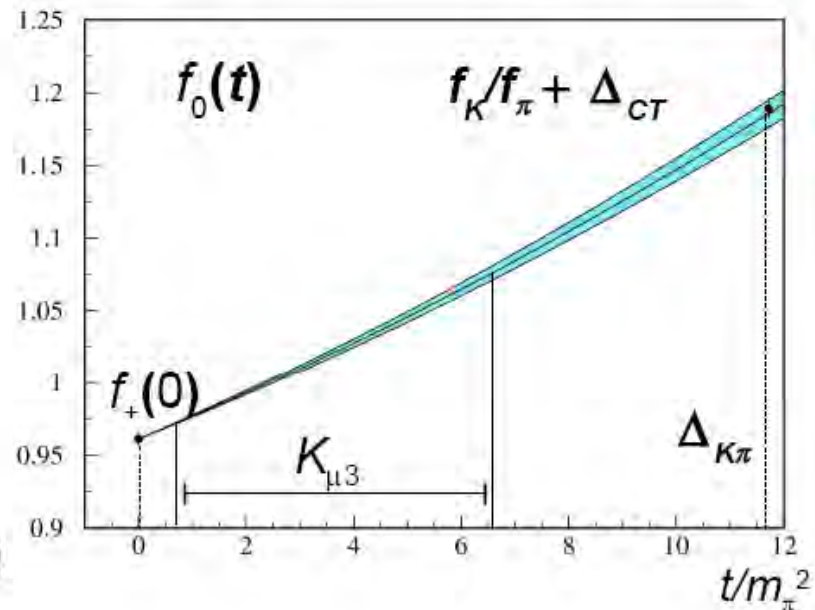
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Very precise relation between  $f_0(0)^*$  and  $f_K/f_\pi$  :

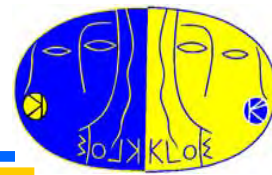
$$f_0(\Delta_{K\pi}) = f_K/f_\pi + \Delta_{CT}$$

$$\tilde{f}_0(0) \tilde{f}_0(\Delta_{K\pi}) = f_K/f_\pi + \Delta_{CT}$$

$$\Delta_{K\pi} = m_K^2 - m_\pi^2 ; \Delta_{CT} = 3.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ SU}(2)$$



# *Interest in LU tests with kaons*



**In SM, electron and muon differs only by mass and coupling to Higgs**

**New physics extensions of the SM with LFV not ruled out, so:**

- **Can search for processes forbidden/ultra-rare in SM, e.g.  $K \rightarrow \mu e$**
- **Can measure ratio of coupling constants, seeking deviations from 1 in processes well known in SM, like:**

$$\mathbf{R_{e\mu} = \Gamma(K_{e3})/\Gamma(K_{\mu3}) \rightarrow G_F^e/G_F^\mu}$$

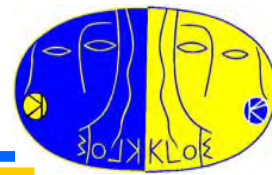
**Testing  $H^+$  effects or right-handed currents in:**

$$\mathbf{R_{K\pi} = \Gamma(K \rightarrow \mu\nu)/\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow \mu\nu)}$$

**Testing LFV violation NP amplitudes contributing to:**

$$\mathbf{R_K = \Gamma(K \rightarrow e\nu)/\Gamma(K \rightarrow \mu\nu)}$$

# *V<sub>us</sub> and LU from K<sub>l3</sub> decays: results*



For each kaon charge state of K<sub>l3</sub> decays can evaluate:

$$\frac{(R_{\mu e})_{obs}}{(R_{\mu e})_{SM}} = \frac{\Gamma_{\mu 3}}{\Gamma_{e 3}} \cdot \frac{I_{e 3} (1 + \delta_{e 3})}{I_{\mu 3} (1 + \delta_{\mu 3})} = \frac{[|V_{us}| f_+(0)]_{\mu 3, obs}^2}{[|V_{us}| f_+(0)]_{e 3, obs}^2} = \frac{g_{\mu}^2}{g_e^2}$$

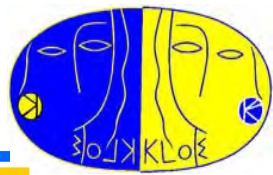
**e/μ universality satisfied, using only KLOE results get accuracy < 0.01:**

<b>K<sub>L</sub></b>	<b><math>g_{\mu}^2/g_e^2 = 1.011(9)</math></b>	<b>cfr with <math>g_{\mu}^2/g_e^2 = 1.0232(68)</math> [PDG04]</b>
<b>K<sup>+</sup></b>	<b><math>g_{\mu}^2/g_e^2 = 0.99(1)</math></b>	<b>cfr with <math>g_{\mu}^2/g_e^2 = 1.0020(80)</math> [PDG04]</b>
<b>Avg</b>	<b><math>g_{\mu}^2/g_e^2 = 1.000(8)</math></b>	

**Compare with**

<b><math>\tau \rightarrow l\nu\nu</math></b>	<b><math>g_{\mu}^2/g_e^2 = 1.000(4)</math> [Davier, Höcker, Zhang '06]</b>
<b><math>\pi \rightarrow l\nu</math></b>	<b><math>g_{\mu}^2/g_e^2 = 1.004(3)</math> [Erler, Ramsey-Musolf '06]</b>

# $K_{\mu 2}$ – Sensitivity to NP



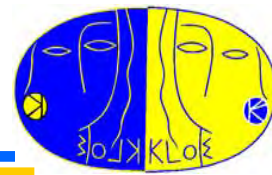
**Experimental inputs are known at few per-mil level:**

$m_{K,\pi,\mu}, \Gamma(\pi_{\mu 2})$	[PDG]
$\tau^+ = 12.347(30)$	[KLOE]
$\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu(\gamma)) = 63.66(17)\%$	[KLOE]
$ \mathbf{f}_+(0) V_{us}  = 0.2157(6)$	[KLOE]
$V_{ud} = 0.97418(26)$	[world average $0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ ]

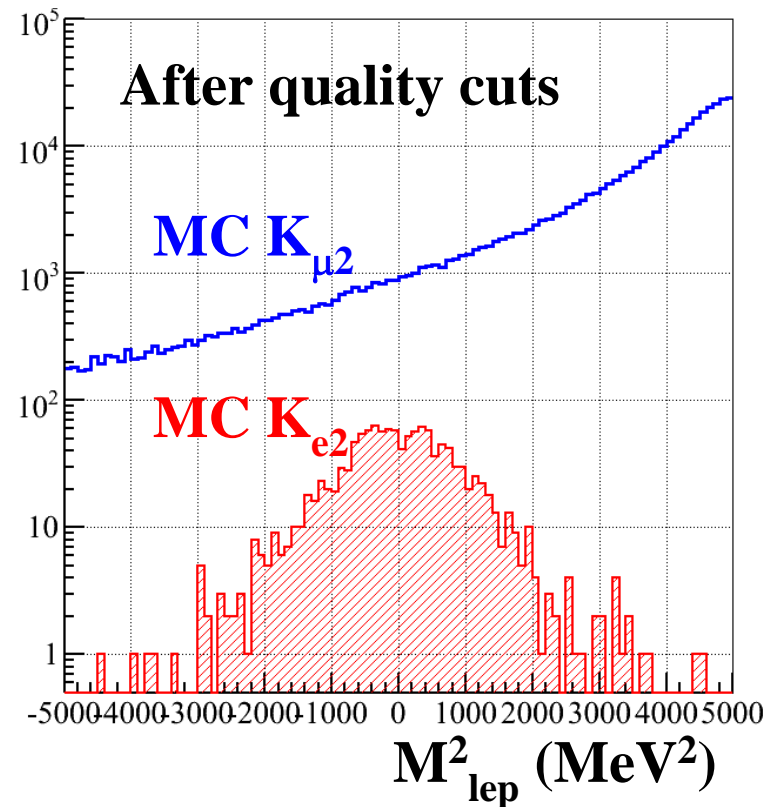
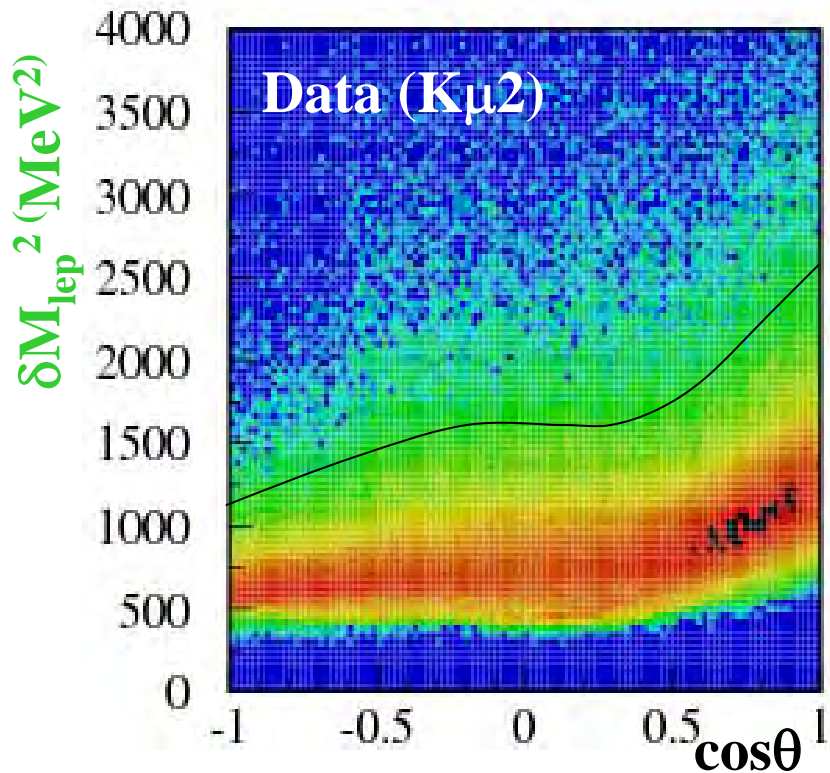
**Theoretical inputs dominate the uncertainty, through the form factors:**

$f_K / f_\pi = 1.189(7)$	[MILC-HPQCD arXiv:0706.1726]
$f_+(0) = 0.964(5)$	[UKQCD-RBC hep-lat/0702026]
$\delta_{em} = -0.0070(35)$	[Marciano PRL 93 (2004) 231803, Cirigliano Rosell JHEP 0710, 005 (2007)]

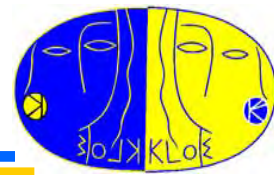
# $R_K$ analysis, quality criteria



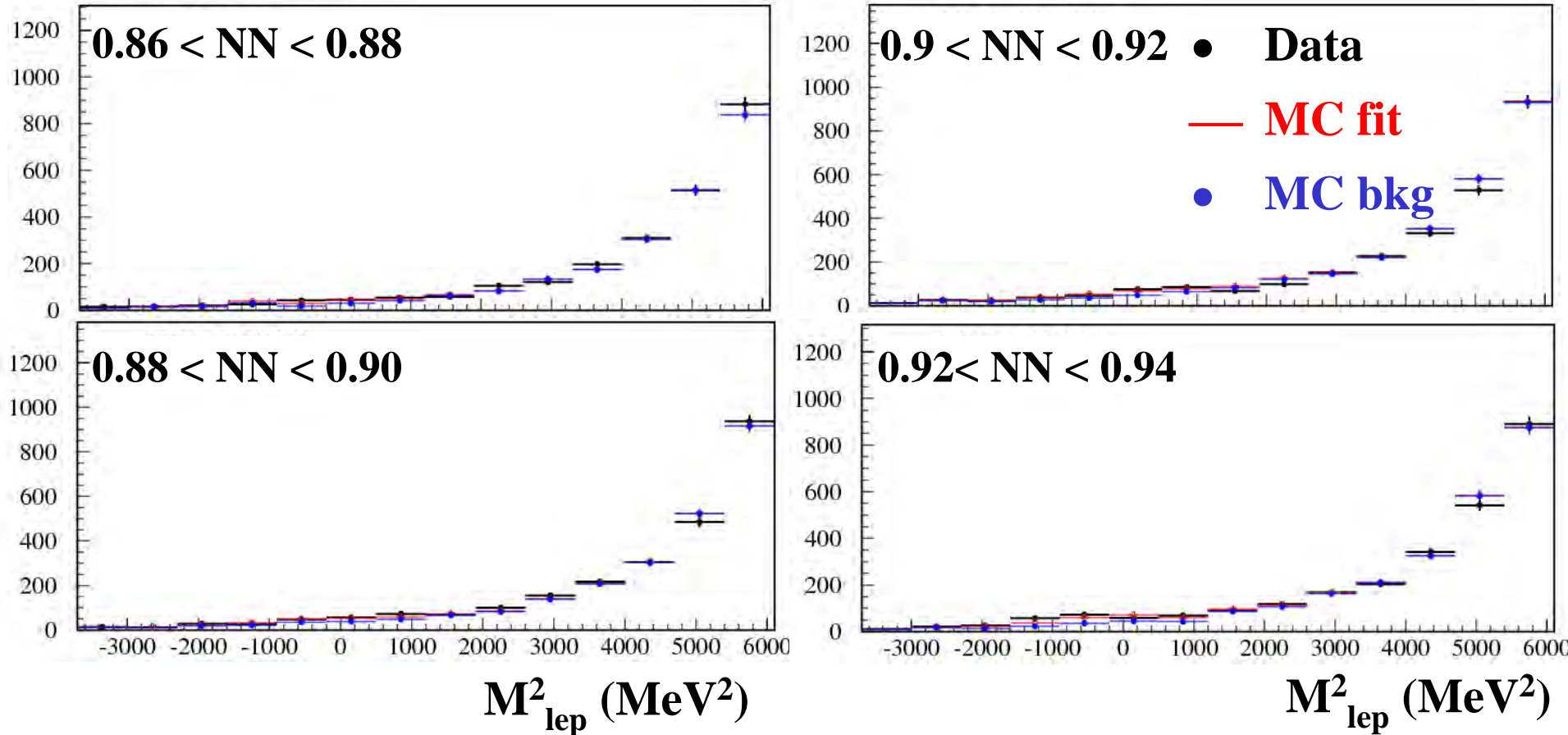
$M_{\text{lep}}^2 = f(P_K, P_l, \cos\theta) \rightarrow$  a-priori error  $\delta M_{\text{lep}}^2$  is scaled by **opening angle**  
Achieve cancellation in  $K_{e2}/K_{\mu2}$  efficiencies, applying  $\cos\theta$  trailing cuts



# $R_K$ analysis, fitting for $Ke2$ counting



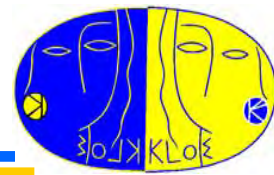
## Two-dimensional binned likelihood fit in the $NN$ - $M_{lep}^2$ plane



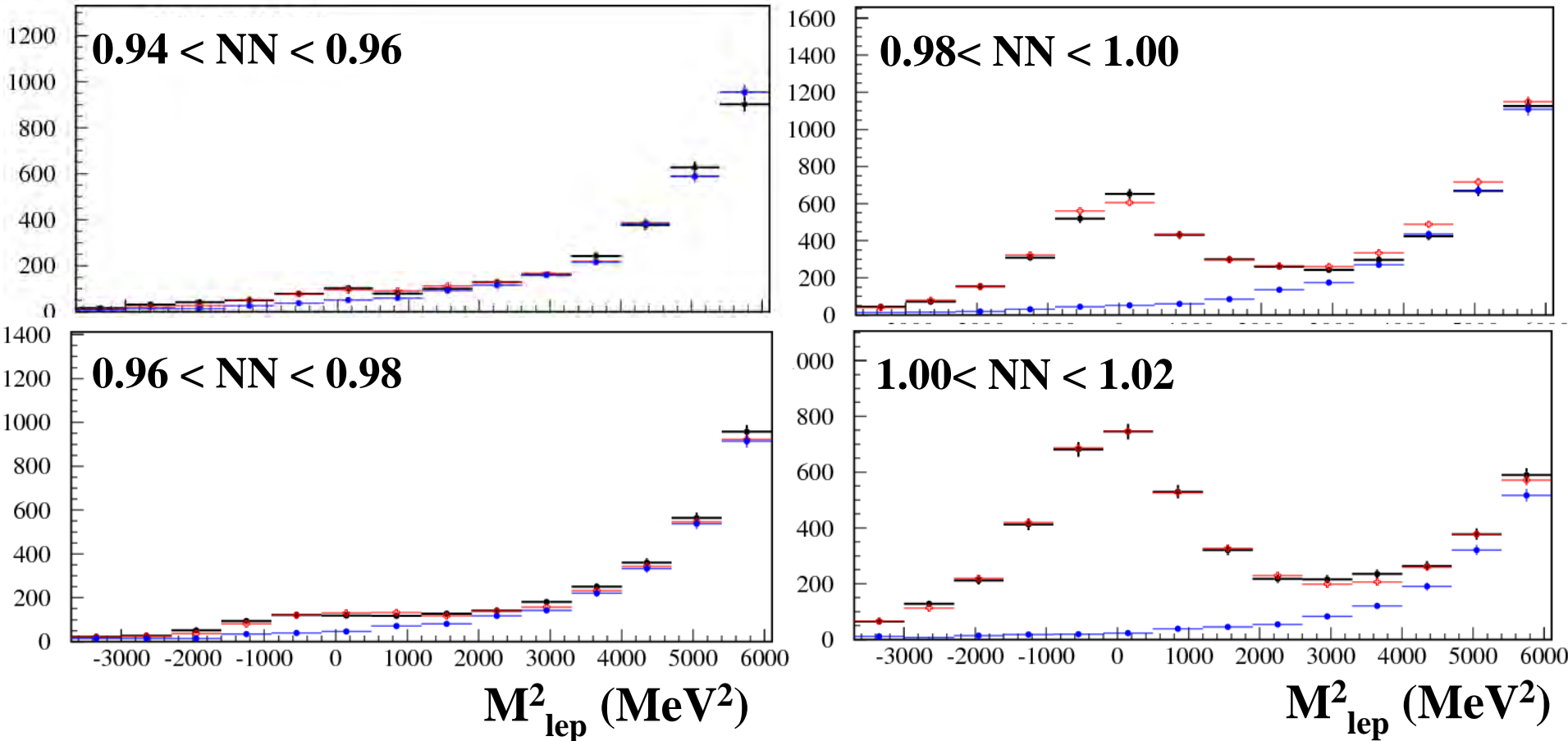
Count in entire statistics:  $N_{Ke2}(e^+) = 7060(98)$ ,  $N_{Ke2}(e^-) = 6750(97)$



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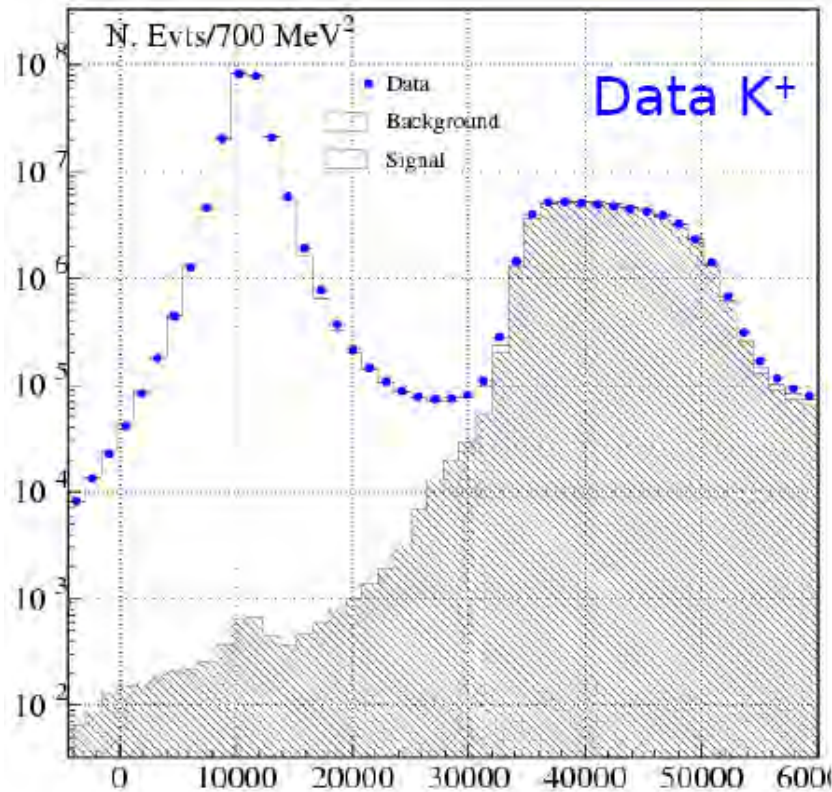
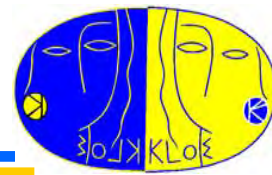


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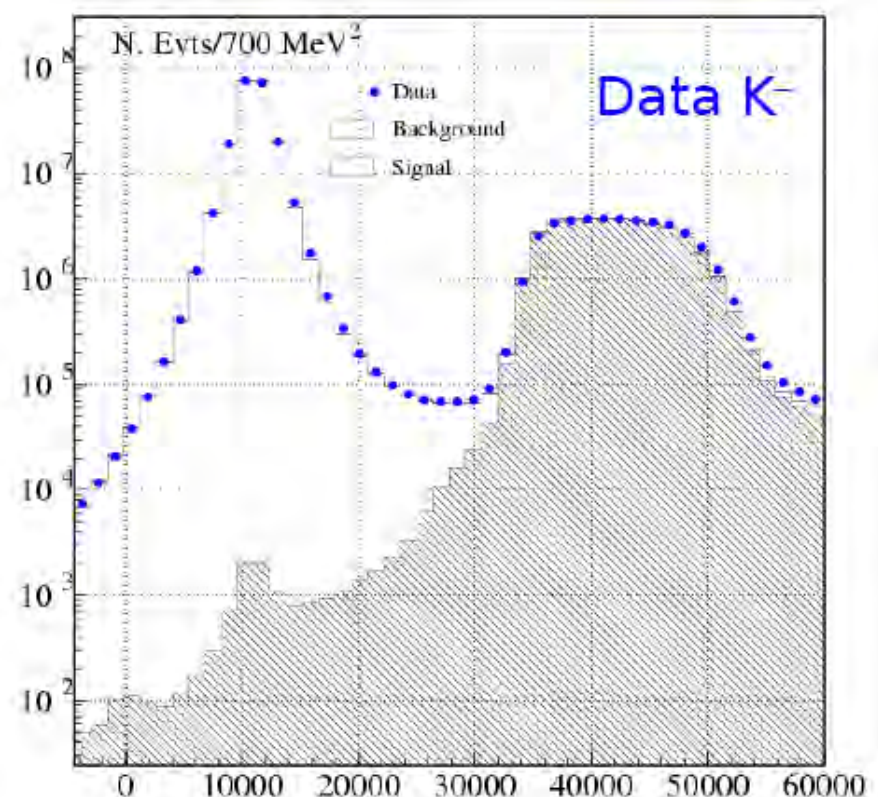


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# $R_K$ analysis, counting $K_{\mu 2}$ events

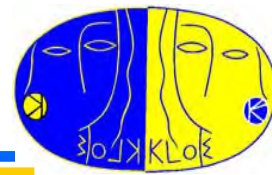


$M^2_{\text{lep}} \text{ (MeV}^2\text{)}$



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# $R_K$ at KLOE, control samples

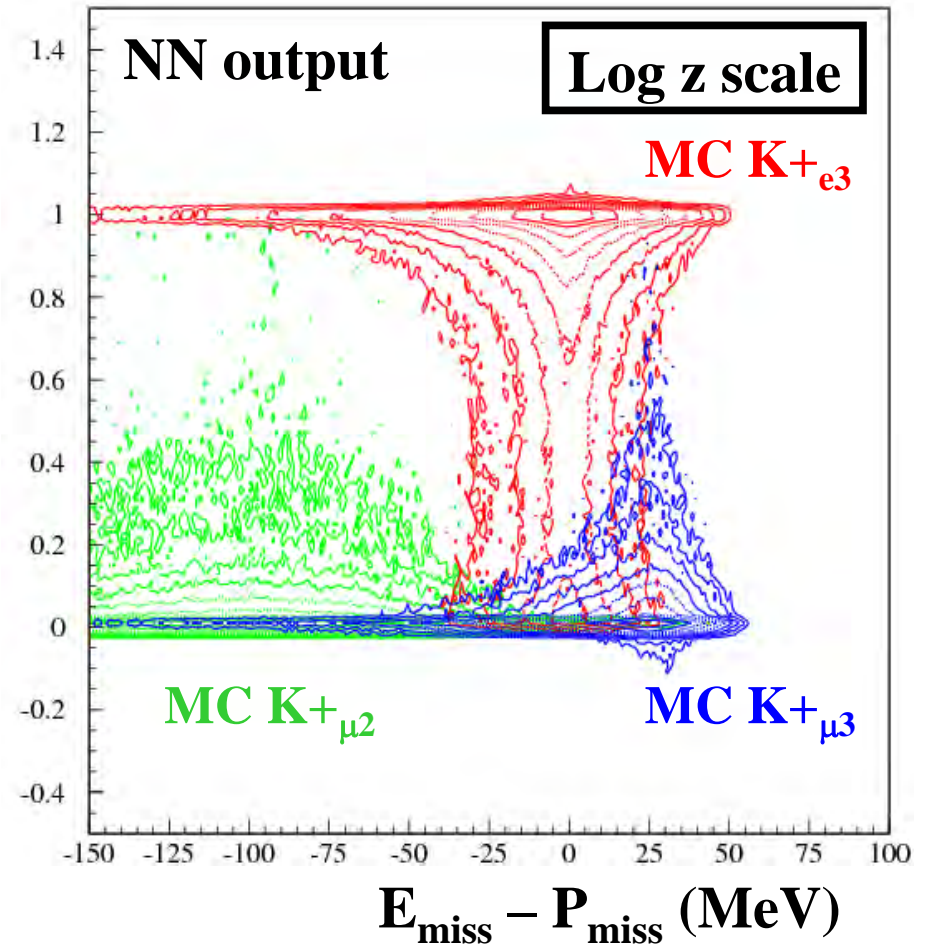


Check NN output using  $K_{e3}^{\pm}$ ,  $K_{\mu3}^{\pm}$  (can check TOF, not possible with  $K_L$ )

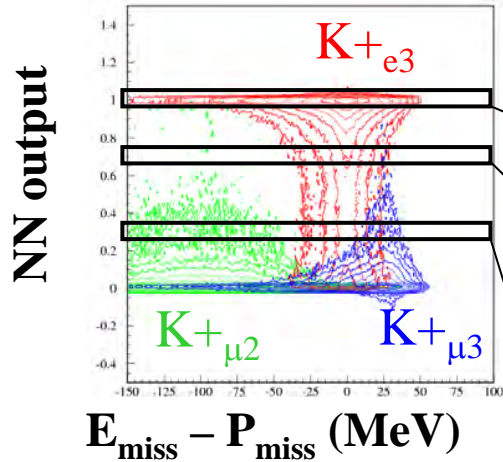
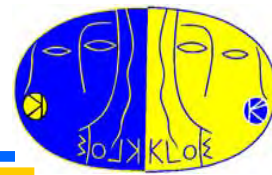
Require  $\pi^0$  detection

Cut against  $\pi\pi^0$  bkg

Use  $\pi^0 \gamma$ 's to evaluate  $E_{\text{miss}}$ ,  $P_{\text{miss}}$



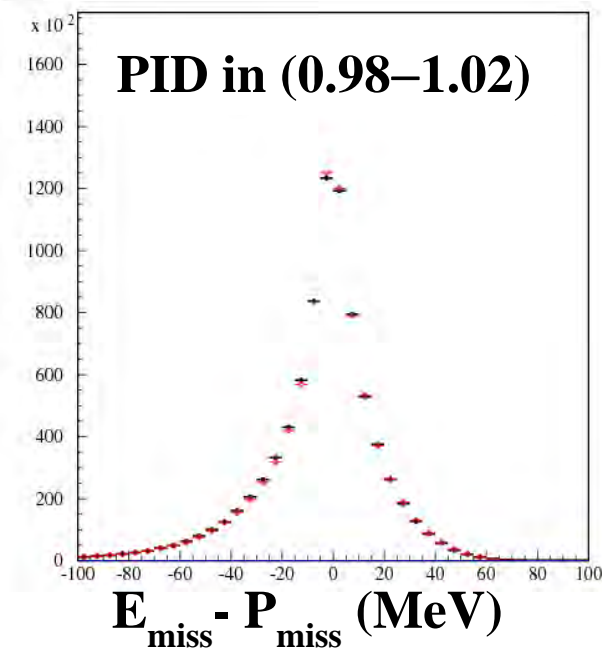
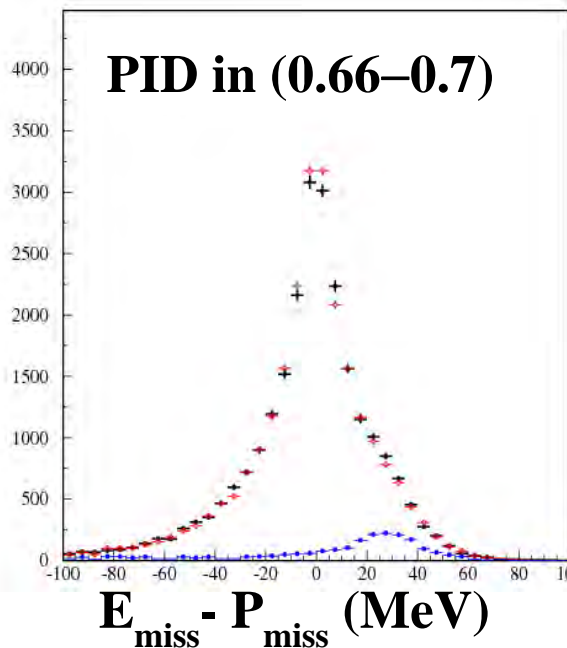
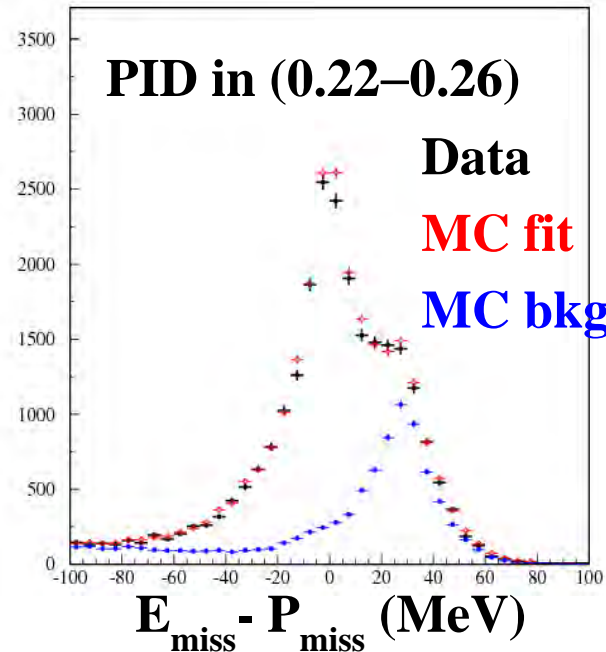
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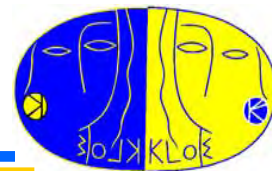
Can select pure  $K^+_{e3}$  sample above 0.2

Can select  $K^+_{\mu3}$  sample below 0.4

Perform 2d fit in entire plane



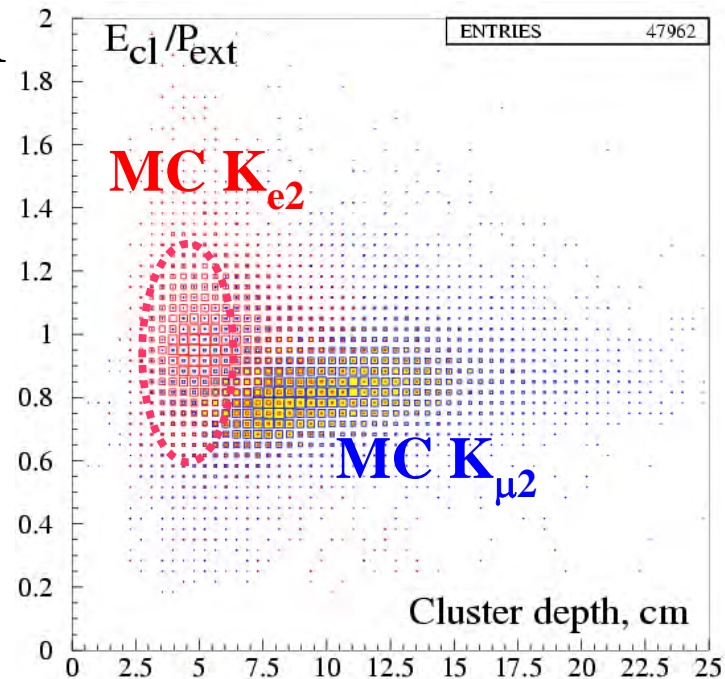
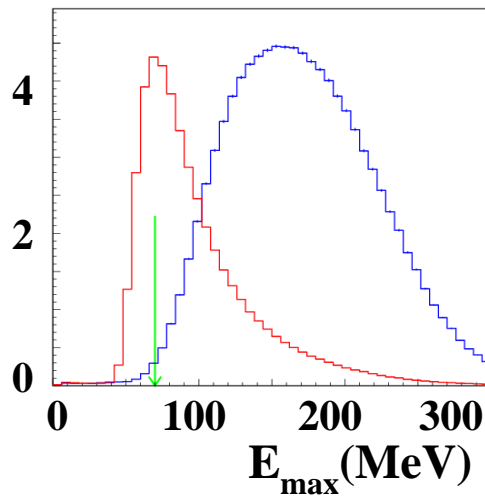
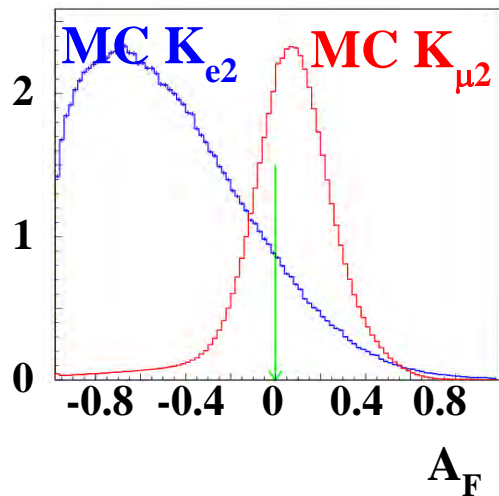
# Analysis of $R_K - PID$ using EmC



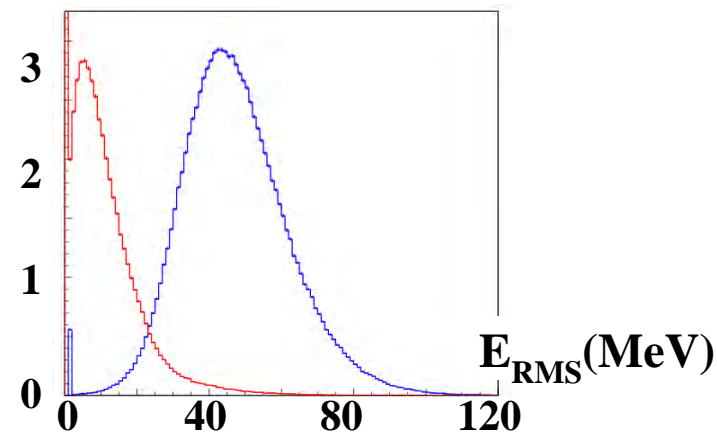
**e's: initiate shower @ EmC entrance,  $E_{cl}/P \sim 1$**

**$\mu$ 's: MIP-like in layers 1-2, Bragg peak @ end**

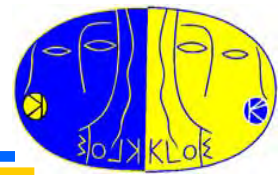
Cut on  $A_F = \frac{(E_2 - E_1)}{(E_2 + E_1)}$ ,  $E_{max} = \max\{E_k\}$



Cut on  $A_L = \frac{(E_n - E_{n-1})}{(E_n + E_{n-1})}$ ,  $E_{RMS} = \text{RMS}\{E_k\}$  left for signal counting

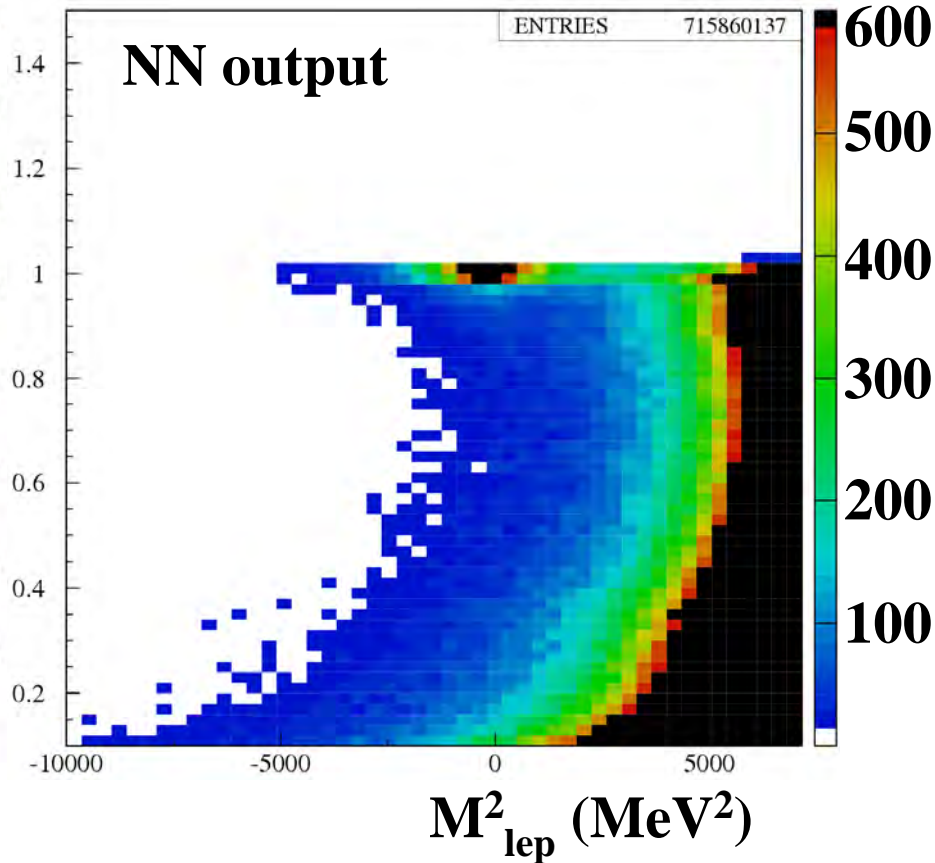
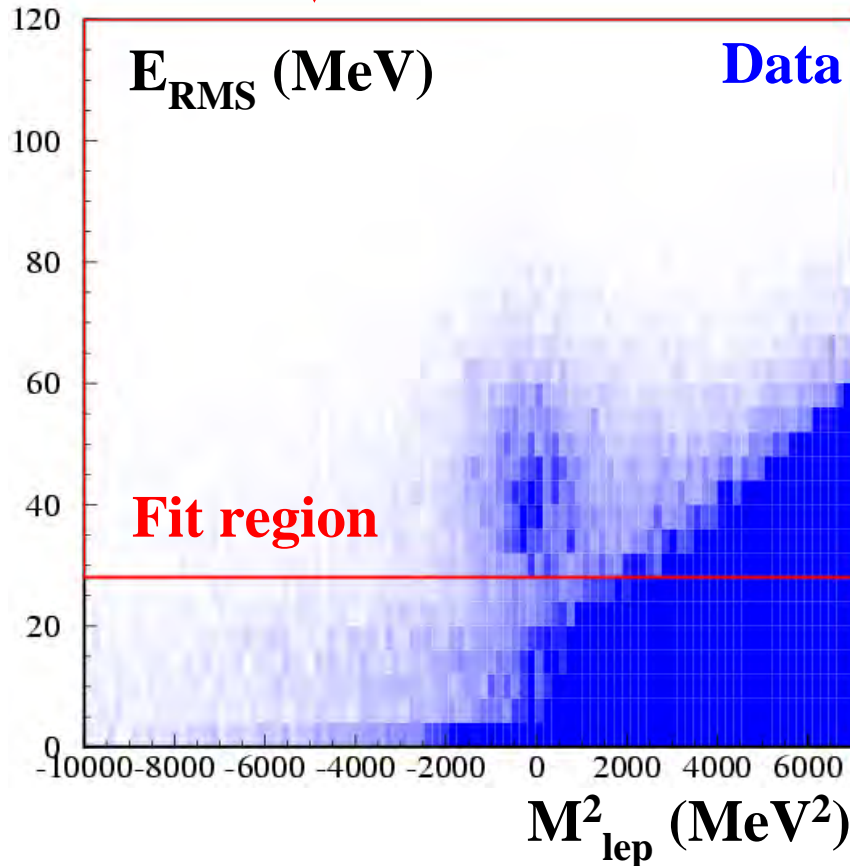


# $R_K$ at KLOE, compare wrt preliminary

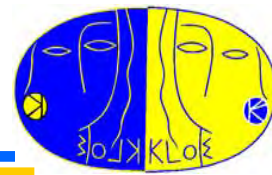


Rejection from PID now  $> 1000$   $\rightarrow$  loosen kinematic criteria

Compare **OLD** selection with **NEW** selection



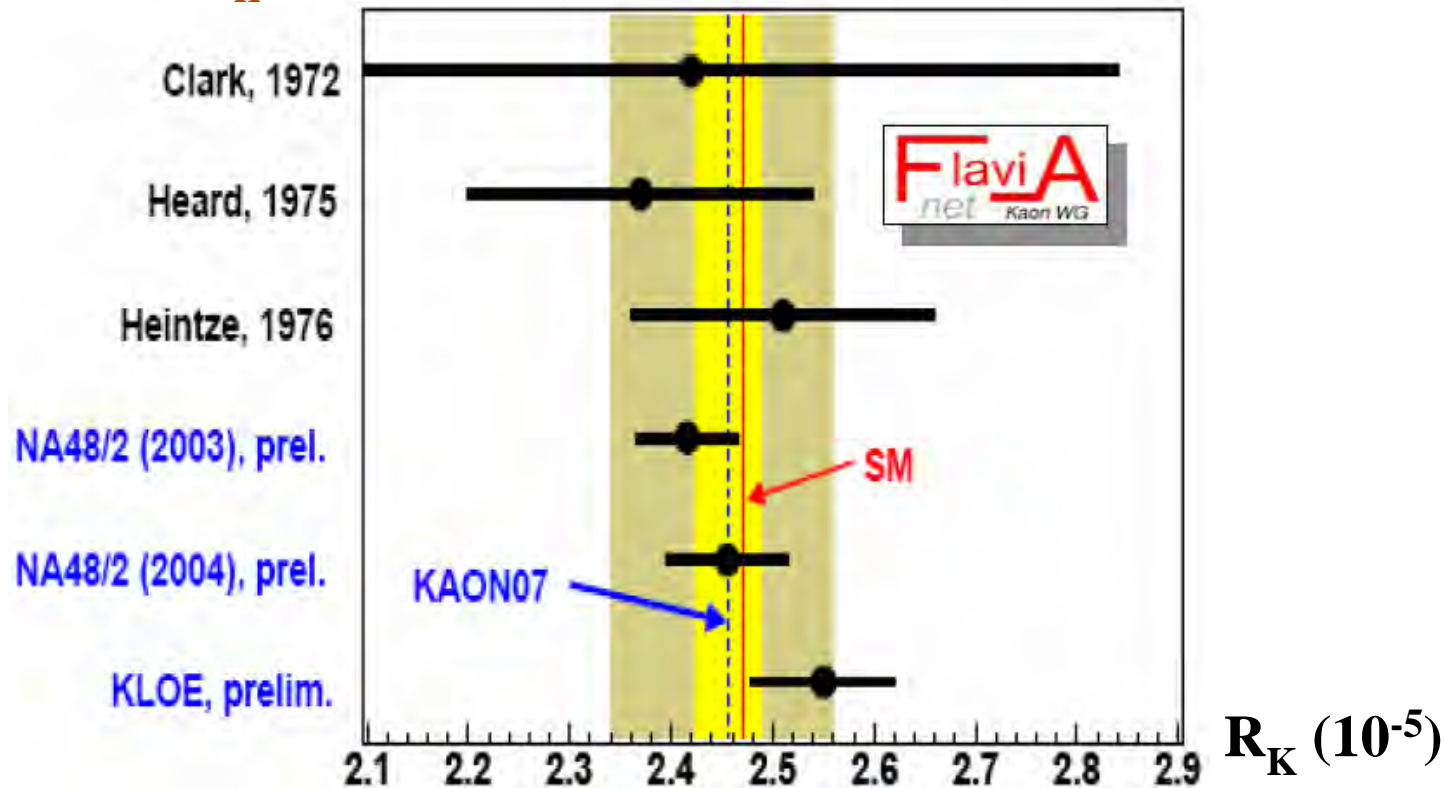
# $R_K$ – experimental status as of yesterday



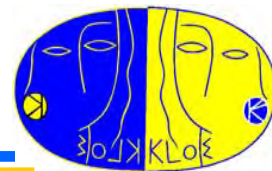
$$R_K = \frac{N_{Ke2}}{N_{K\mu2}} \left[ \frac{\varepsilon_{K\mu2}^{TRG}}{\varepsilon_{Ke2}^{TRG}} \right] \left[ C^{TRK} \frac{\varepsilon_{K\mu2}^{TRK}}{\varepsilon_{Ke2}^{TRK}} \right] \left[ \frac{1}{C^{PID} \varepsilon_{Ke2}^{PID}} \right] \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{IB}} = (2.55 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-5}$$

Recent (preliminary) results improved greatly with respect to 2006 PDG

World average,  $R_K = 2.457(32) \times 10^{-5}$ , agrees with SM



# Measurement of $K_{Le3}$ form factor slopes



**Both linear and quadratic fits show good  $\chi^2$  probabilities, 89% and 92%**

Linear fit	$\lambda_+ \times 10^3$	$\chi^2/\text{ndf}$
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu$	$28.7 \pm 0.7$	156/181
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ e^- \bar{\nu}$	$28.5 \pm 0.6$	174/181
Combined	$28.6 \pm 0.5$	330/363

Quadratic fit	$\lambda'_+ \times 10^3$	$\lambda''_+ \times 10^3$	$\chi^2/\text{ndf}$
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu$	$24.6 \pm 2.1$	$1.9 \pm 1.0$	152/180
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ e^- \bar{\nu}$	$26.4 \pm 2.1$	$1.0 \pm 1.0$	173/180
Combined	$25.5 \pm 1.5$	$1.4 \pm 0.7$	325/362

$$\lambda_+ = (28.6 \pm 0.5_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.4_{\text{syst.}}) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\lambda'_+ = (25.5 \pm 1.5_{\text{stat.}} \pm 1.0_{\text{syst.}}) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\lambda''_+ = (1.4 \pm 0.7_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.4_{\text{syst.}}) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\rho(\lambda', \lambda'') \sim -0.95$$

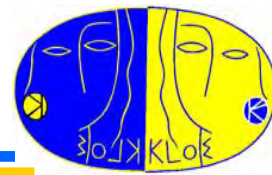
**Pole fit result (92%  $\chi^2$  probability) indicates dominance of  $K^*(892)$ -exchange in the  $K\pi$  transition:**

$$M_V = (870 \pm 6_{\text{stat.}} \pm 7_{\text{syst.}}) \text{ MeV}$$

Systematic errors dominated by uncertainties in TOF efficiency correction



# Measurement of $K_{Le3}$ form factor slopes



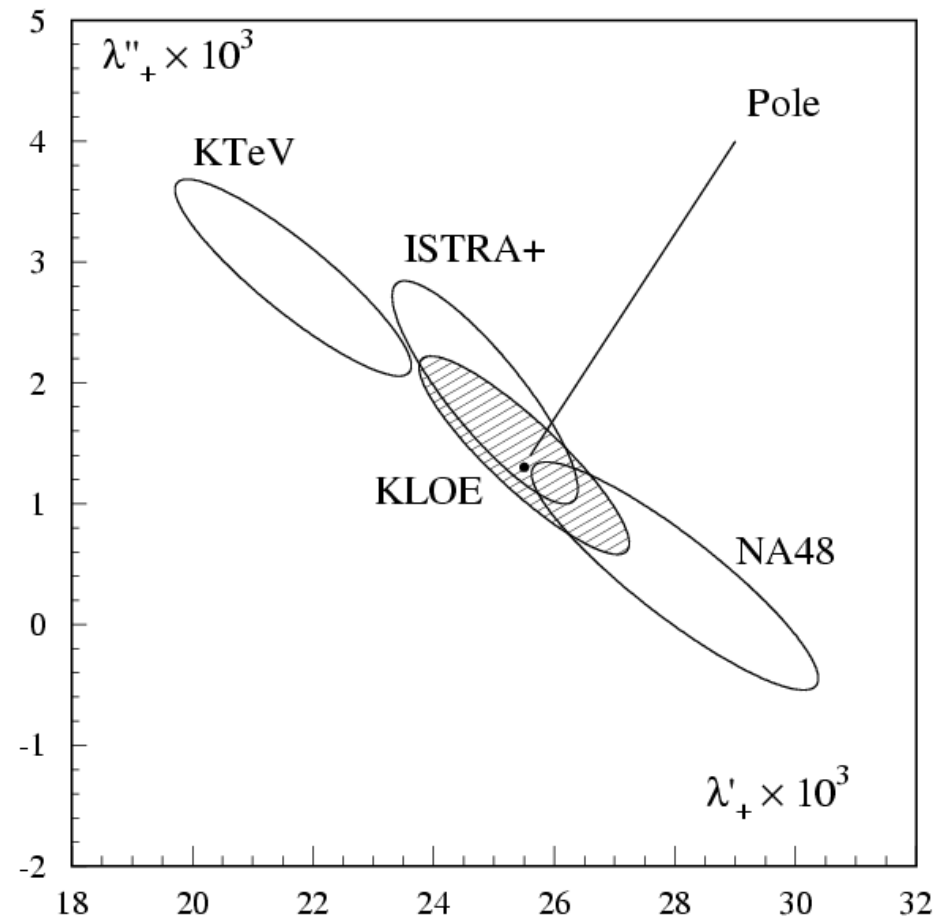
- KLOE measurements of  $K_{Le3}$  and  $K_{l\mu3}$  BR and ff slopes determine:

$$f_+(0) \times |V_{us}| = 0.21561(69)$$

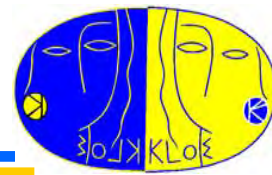
$$f_+(0) \times |V_{us}| = 0.21633(78)$$

Inputs only from KLOE, errors of 0.32% and 0.40%

- In comparing with results from other experiments, have to take correlations into account, especially for ff's



# Other impacts from $K_{se3}$ (1)



Comparing  $\Gamma(K_S \rightarrow \pi e \nu)$  to  $\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu)$ , test  $\Delta S = \Delta Q$ :

×2 improvement in precision on  $\text{Re } x_+ = (-0.5 \pm 3.6) \times 10^{-3}$

Sensitivity to CPT violating effects through charge asymmetry:

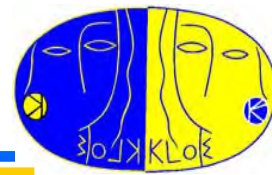
$$A_{S,L} = \frac{\Gamma(K_{S,L} \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu) - \Gamma(K_{S,L} \rightarrow \pi^+ e^- \bar{\nu})}{\Gamma(K_{S,L} \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \nu) + \Gamma(K_{S,L} \rightarrow \pi^+ e^- \bar{\nu})} \begin{cases} A_S - A_L = 4 [\text{Re } (\delta) + \text{Re } (x_-)] \\ A_S + A_L = 4 [\text{Re } (\varepsilon) - \text{Re } (y)] \end{cases}$$

Evaluate  $A_S$  from: 
$$A_S = \frac{N(\pi^- e^+ \nu) / \epsilon_{\text{tot}}^+ - N(\pi^+ e^- \bar{\nu}) / \epsilon_{\text{tot}}^-}{N(\pi^- e^+ \nu) / \epsilon_{\text{tot}}^+ + N(\pi^+ e^- \bar{\nu}) / \epsilon_{\text{tot}}^-}$$

$A_S$  measured for the first time:  $A_S = (1.5 \pm 9.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 2.9_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-3}$

Error dominated by statistics, ×3 improvement after analysis of  $2.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

# Impact of new data on $K0$ decays: BSR



With KLOE data improved ~~CPT~~ test via Bell-Steinberger (unitarity)

relation: 
$$\left( \frac{\Gamma_S + \Gamma_L}{\Gamma_S - \Gamma_L} + i \tan \phi_{SW} \right) \left( \frac{\Re \epsilon - i \Im \delta}{1 + \epsilon^2} \right) = \frac{1}{\Gamma_S - \Gamma_L} \sum_f A_L(f) A_S^*(f)$$

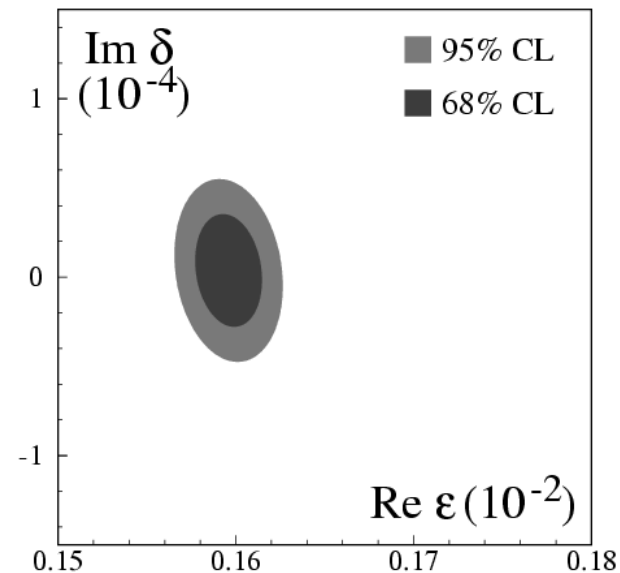
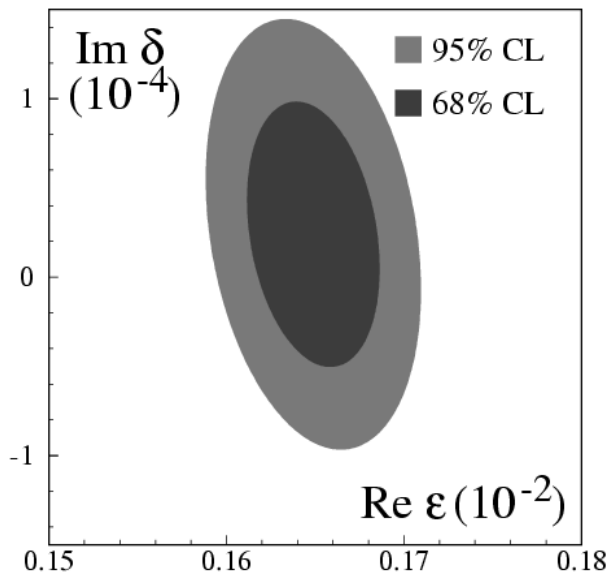
After CPLEAR measurements (2001)      After KLOE measurements (2006)

$$\Re(\epsilon) = (164.9 \pm 2.5) \times 10^{-5}$$

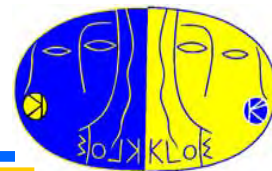
$$\Im(\delta) = (2.4 \pm 5.0) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\Re(\epsilon) = (159.6 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\Im(\delta) = (0.4 \pm 2.1) \times 10^{-5}$$



# Impact of new data on $K0$ decays: UT



From BSR, shift central value of  $\Re\epsilon$  by  $3.6 \sigma$  with respect to PDG04

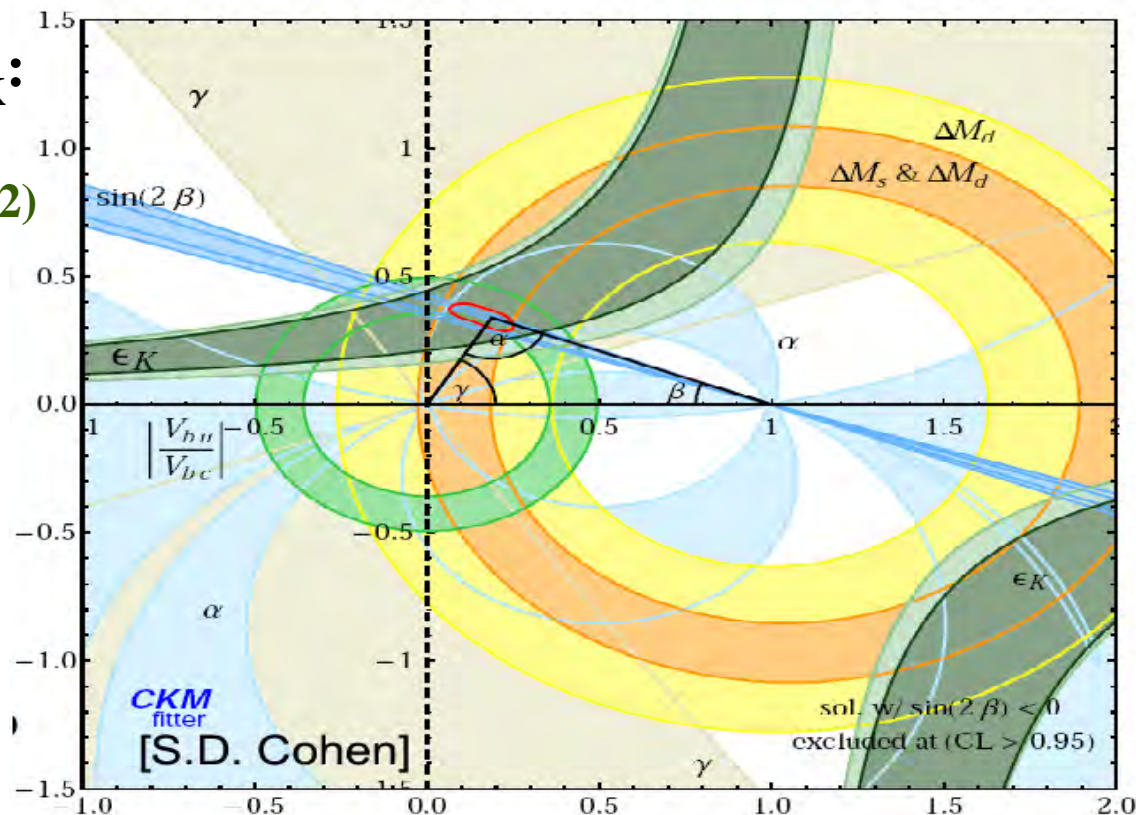
$|\epsilon|$  is related to the  $\eta$  and  $\rho$  parameters of the CKM matrix:

$$|\epsilon| = C_1 \mathbf{B}_K V_{cb}^2 \eta [C_2 + C_3 V_{cb}^2 (1-\rho)]$$

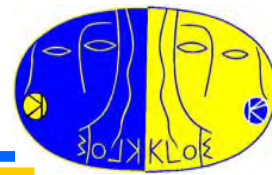
Compare input values for  $\mathbf{B}_K$ :

Standard,  $\mathbf{B}_K = 0.79(2)(9)$   
 RBC/UKQCD,  $\mathbf{B}_K = 0.770(15)(22)$

Impact on UT fit now  
 limited by  $\delta V_{cb}$



# Measurements of $K^{+,-}$ BR's

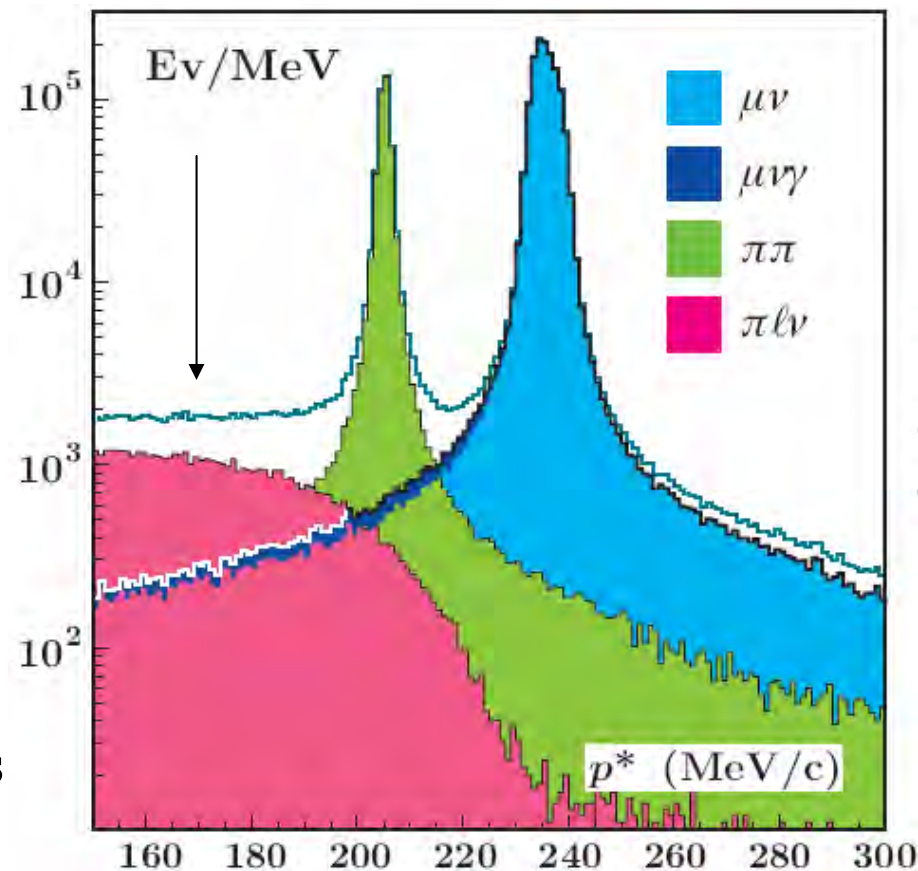


Tagging starts from one-prong decay reconstruction in drift chamber

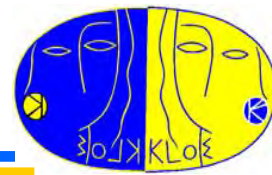
Cut on  $p^*_\pi$  to identify two-body decays,  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi^0$  and  $K \rightarrow \mu\nu$

**4 independent taggings:  $K^\pm\pi^2$  &  $K^\pm\mu^2$ :**

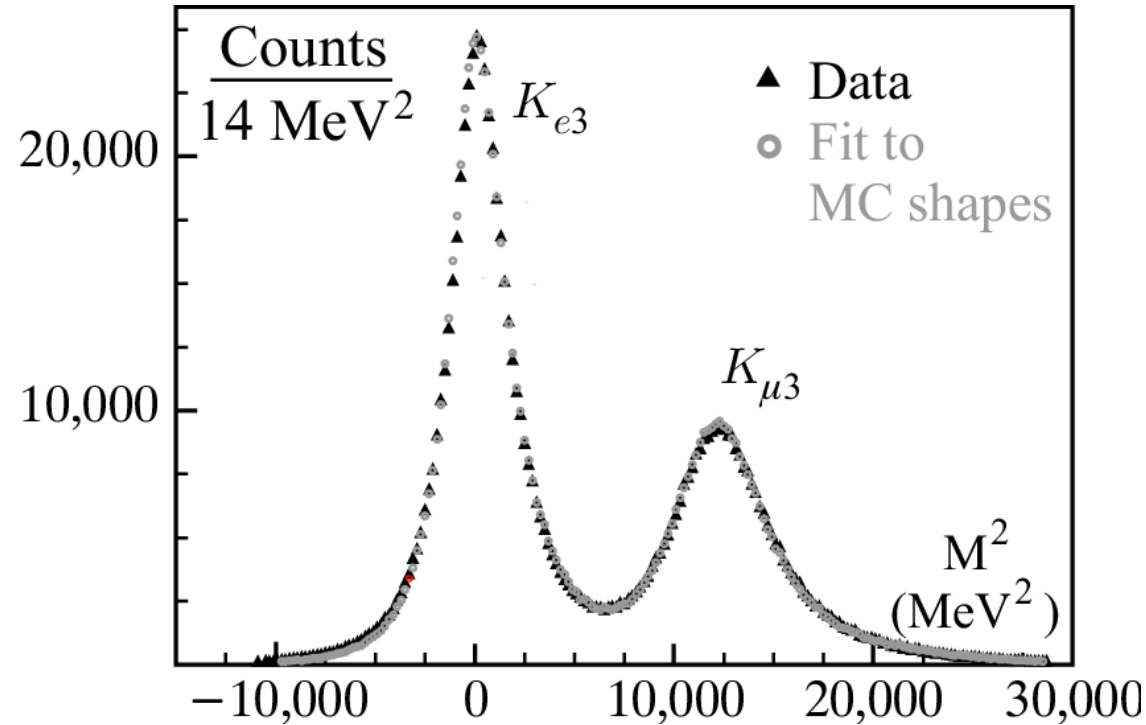
- Can measure absolute BR's for each tag sample separately: keep tag-bias effects under control
- Compare results by charge: keep systematics from  $K^-$  nuclear interactions in traversed material under control



# Measurements of $K^{+,-}$ semileptonic BR's



- Detect photons from  $\pi^0$
- Kinematical cuts to reject non-Kl3 decays: not-Kl3 background  $\sim 1.5\%$
- Signal counts: log- $L$  fit of distribution of lepton mass squared ( $M^2$ ) from TOF



$$\text{BR}(K_{e3}^{\pm}) = 4.965(19)_{\text{stat}}(33)_{\text{corr-stat}}(37)_{\text{syst}}\%$$

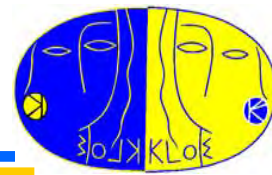
**Result:** 
$$\text{BR}(K_{\mu 3}^{\pm}) = 3.233(16)_{\text{stat}}(24)_{\text{corr-stat}}(26)_{\text{syst}}\%$$

$$\rho(K_{e3}, K_{\mu 3}) = 0.63$$

Above mmt @  $\tau^+ = 12.384$  ns, for  $V_{us}$  use dependency  $d\text{BR}/\text{BR} = -0.45d\tau/\tau$

Systematics dominated by uncertainty on tracking efficiency correction

# Measurements of $K^{+,-}$ lifetime



## Experimental status unclear:

PDG average  $\delta\tau/\tau \sim 0.2\% \rightarrow \delta V_{us}/V_{us} \sim 0.1\%$

Mmts spread  $\delta\tau/\tau \sim 0.8\% \rightarrow \delta V_{us}/V_{us} \sim 0.4\%$

## Two methods to measure $\tau_{\pm}$ at KLOE:

- 1) From  $K^+ \rightarrow X\pi^0$ , proper time  $t^*$  from  $\gamma$  TOF's
- 2) From  $K^+ \rightarrow 1\text{track}$  decay-length,  $t^* = \sum_i L_i/(\beta_i\gamma_i c)$

## Allow systematic checks, only features in common to both methods are:

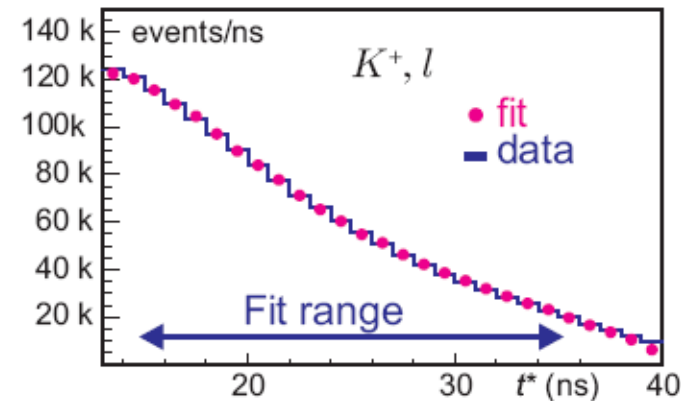
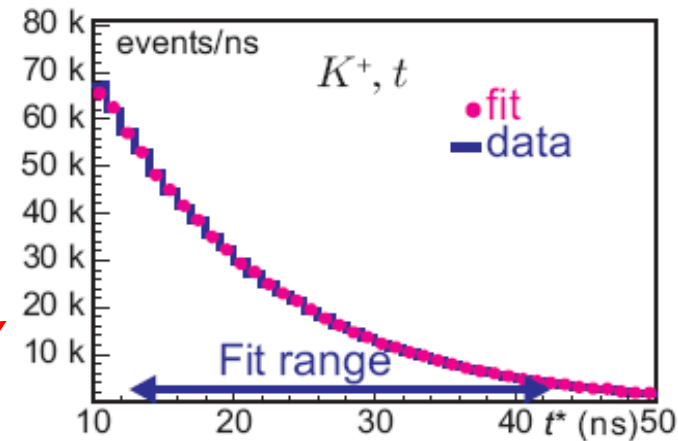
Tag is done with  $K_{\mu 2}$  decay identification

Kaon decay vertex is in the DC

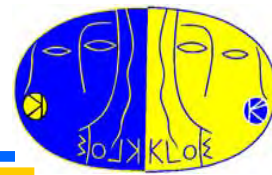
## 4 results are compatible, thus can average:

$$\tau_{\pm} = 12.347(30) \text{ ns}$$

$$\tau(K^+)/\tau(K^-) = 1.004(4)$$



# Unique to KLOE: $K_{S\mu 3}$ decays



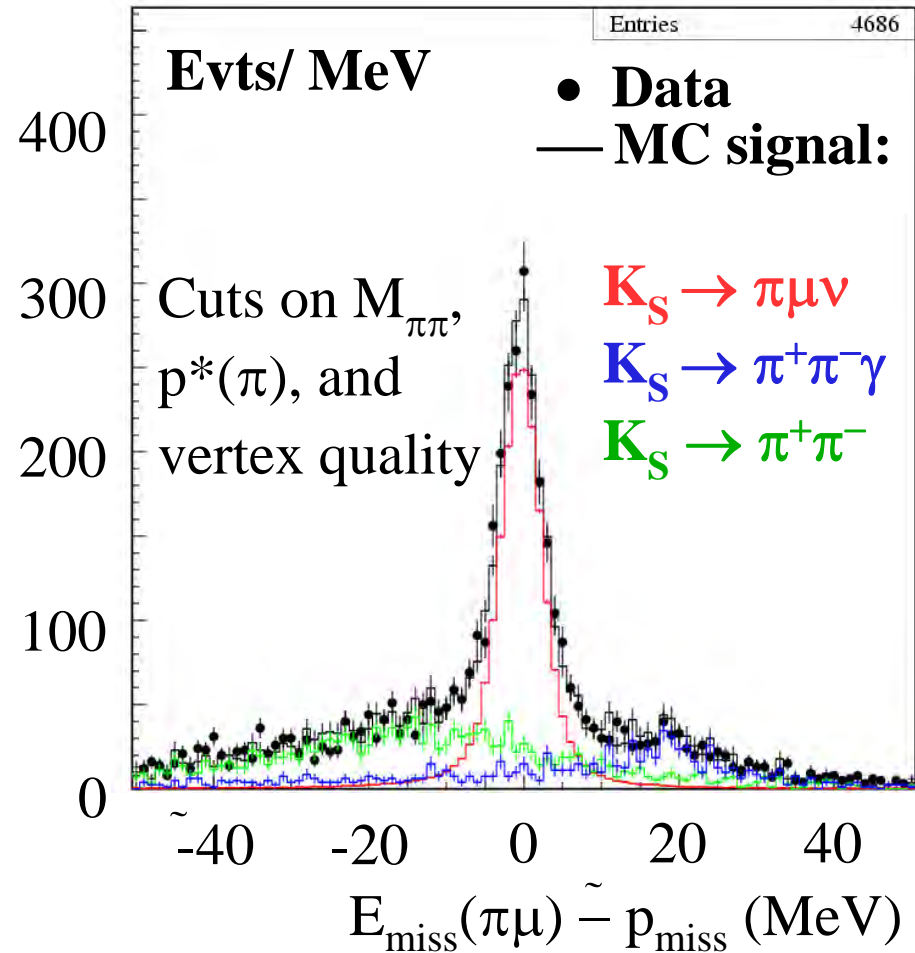
Decay mode has never been observed

Compare width with  $K_L \rightarrow \pi\mu\nu$ : test of validity of  $\Delta S = \Delta Q$  rule

Compare with  $K_S \rightarrow \pi e\nu$ : test universality of lepton couplings

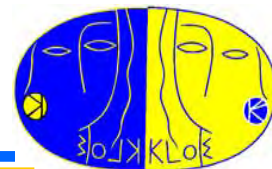
Measure charge asymmetry: test of CPT, CP violation

**Total error dominated by statistics, expect 3% @ the end of analysis**





# Generators for radiative K decays



**Generators for kaon decays include radiation, no cutoff energy**

- Full  $O(\alpha)$  amplitudes (real and virtual contributions) summed to all orders in  $\alpha$  by exponentiation (soft-photon approximation)
- Carefully checked against all available data and calculations, e.g:

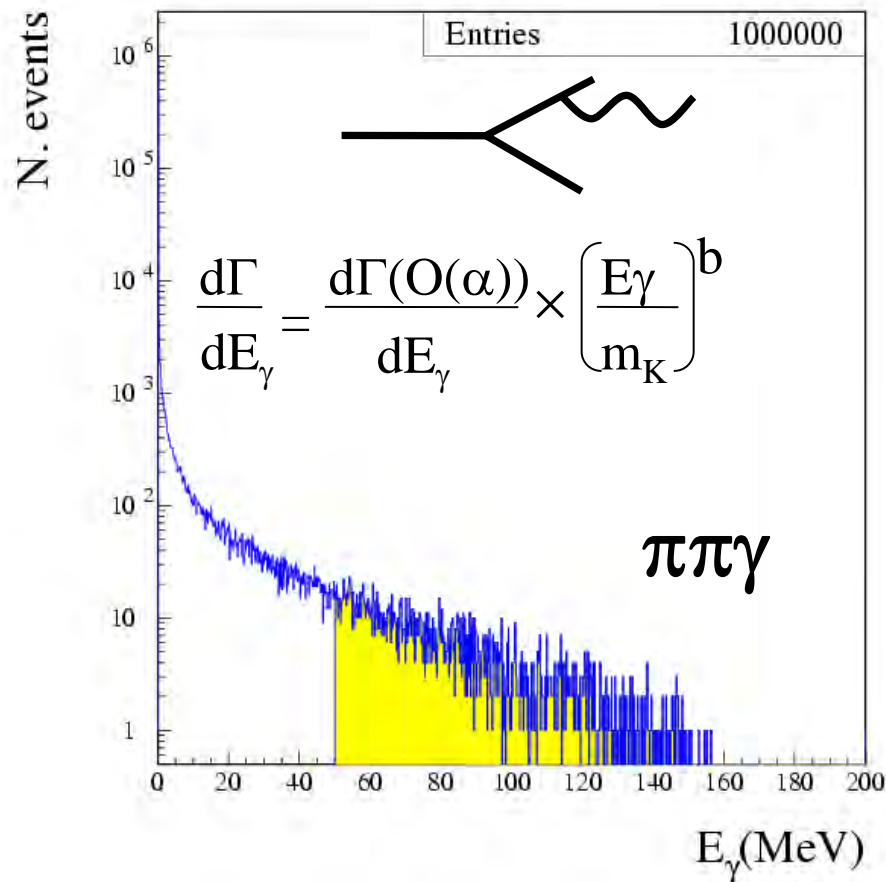
$$\frac{BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu \gamma, E_\gamma > 30 \text{ MeV } \theta_{e\gamma} > 20^\circ)}{BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu)} =$$

$$kTeV \quad (0.908 \pm 0.015) \times 10^{-2}$$

$$Bijnens \textit{ et al} \quad 0.93 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$MC \quad 0.93 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\frac{BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi\pi\gamma, E_\gamma > 50 \text{ MeV})}{BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi\pi)} = \begin{array}{l} E731 \quad (2.56 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-3} \\ MC \quad 2.6 \times 10^{-3} \end{array}$$



[C. Gatti, EPJC 45 (2006)]