### Rare Kaon Decays: Opportunities at CERN

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### Why study Rare Kaon Decays

- Search for explicit violation of Standard Model
  - **Lepton Flavour Violation**
- Probe the flavour sector of the Standard Model
  - FCNC
- Test fundamental symmetries
  - CP,CPT
- Study the strong interactions at low energy

- Chiral Perturbation Theory, Form Factors

# **CP-Violation in SM**

A phase in the CKM matrix leads to CP-Violation

$$\begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix} N_g = 2 \quad N_{phase} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{No CP-Violation}$$

$$N_g = 3 \quad N_{phase} = 1 \Rightarrow \text{CP-Violation Possible}$$

**Predictions:** 

- Direct-CP Violation:  $\varepsilon$ ' / $\epsilon \neq 0$  NA48, KTeV
- CP violation in the B meson sector:  $A_{CP}(J/\psi K_s)$ , BaBar, Belle

#### Paradigm shift:

Look for inconsistencies (i.e. New Physics) in SM using observables with small theoretical errors

### Kaon Rare Decays and the SM





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- These rare kaon decays are second order weak interactions mediated by Z pinguins that could be sensitive to new physics
- A deviation from the predicted rates of SM would be a clear indication of new physics
- When/if new physics will appear at the LHC, the rare decays may help to understand the nature of it



### Kaons @ CERN

**Past:** 

NA48: Direct CP Violation Established !

NA48/1: First Observations of  $K_s^o$ ?  $\pi^o$  ee ( $\mu \mu$ )

• Mixing CP-Violation in  $K_{L}^{o}$ ?  $\pi^{o}$  ee ( $\mu \mu$ ) measured !

**Present:** 

NA48/2: K<sup>+</sup> / K<sup>-</sup> Taken data in 2003/2004

Search for Direct CP-Violation

• Inspiration to study  $K^+$  ?  $\pi^+ \nu^- \nu^-$  in flight Future Opportunities:

Short to medium term (? 2010)

NA48/3 K<sup>+</sup> ?  $\pi$  +  $\nu$   $\nu$  TODAY MAIN FOCUS

#### Longer term

**NA48/4**  $K_{L}^{o}$  ?  $\pi^{o}$  ee ( $\mu \mu$ )

#### **NA48/5** $K_{L}^{0} ? \pi^{0} v v$ 15/11/2004 MARSEILLE A. Cec

# NA48 Data Taking so far...

**Direct CP-Violation established** 



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### **NA48 Vacuum Tank**



### **NA48 Detector**



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### **NA48:Direct CP-Violation Re** $\epsilon$ ' / $\epsilon$ =14.7 ± 2.2 ×10<sup>-4</sup>

#### **Top "down-loaded" articles from Physics Letters B:**

- 1. The hierarchy problem and new dimensions at a millimeter http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0370-2693(98)00466-3 Physics Letters B, Volume 429, Issues 3-4, 18 June 1998, Pages 263-272 Nima Arkani-Hamed, Savas Dimopoulos and Gia Dvali
- 2. A precision measurement of direct CP violation in the decay of neutral kaons into two pions http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0370-2693(02)02476-0 Physics Letters B, Volume 544, Issues 1-2, 19 September 2002, Pages 97-112 J. R. Batley et al. (NA48 Collaboration)
- 3. Has the GZK suppression been discovered? http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0370-2693(03)00105-9
  Physics Letters B, Volume 556, Issues 1-2, 13 March 2003, Pages 1-6, John N. Bahcall and Eli
  Waxman
- 4. Testable scenario for relativity with minimum length http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0370-2693(01)00506-8 Physics Letters B, Volume 510, Issues 1-4, 21 June 2001, Pages 255-263 Giovanni Amelino-Camelia
- 5. Role of effective interaction in nuclear disintegration processes http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0370-2693(03)00801-3 Physics Letters B, Volume 566, Issues 1-2, 24 July 2003, Pages 90-97 D. N. Basu
- 6. Determination of solar neutrino oscillation parameters using 1496 days of Super-Kamiokande-I data <a href="http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0370-2693(02)02090-7">http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0370-2693(02)02090-7</a> Physics Letters B, Volume 539, Issues 3-4, 18 July 2002, Pages 179-187 S. Fukuda et al.

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### **NA48/1:** *K*<sup>0</sup><sub>s</sub>?π <sup>0</sup>*e*<sup>+</sup>*e*<sup>-</sup> and *K*<sup>0</sup><sub>s</sub>?π <sup>0</sup>μ <sup>+</sup>μ <sup>-</sup>





**Direct CPV** 





#### e<sup>+-</sup>e<sup>+-</sup> (Same Sign) DATA



#### **SUMMARY OF BACKGROUNDS:**

Source	<b>Control Region</b>	Signal region
<b>Κ<sub>s</sub>?</b> π <sup>0</sup> <sub>D</sub> π <sup>0</sup> <sub>D</sub>	0.03	0.007
<b>Κ<sub>L.S</sub> ? ee</b> γγ	0.11	0.075
π <b>e</b> ν <b>+2</b> π <sup>o</sup> (π <sup>o</sup> )	0.19	0.069
Total	<b>0.33</b> <sup>+0.18</sup> -0.11	<b>0.15</b> <sup>+0.05</sup> -0.04

- Many other sources investigated and found to be negligible (e,g neutral cascade decays)
- Blind analysis: Control and signal region remained masked until the study of the background was finished



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PL B576 (2003); hep-ex/0309075

 $BR(K_s?\pi^{0}ee, m_{ee}>165 \text{ MeV/c}^2) = (3.0^{+1.5}_{-1.2}(stat) \pm 0.2(syst)) \times 10^{-9}$ 

• Assuming vector interaction:

 $BR(K_{s}?\pi^{0}ee) = (5.8 + 2.8) \pm 0.8(syst) \times 10^{-9}$ 

- See for the Theory:
  - Sehgal, NP B19 (1970)
  - Ecker, Pich, De Rafael, NP B 291 (1987)
  - Ecker, Pich, De Rafael, NP B 303 (1988)
  - Bruno, Prades ZP C57 (1993) 15/11/2004 A. Ceccucci, CERN MARSEILLE

# **ΝΑ48/1:** *K***<sub>s</sub> ?π<sup>ο</sup>μμ**

#### •Study of backgrounds from $K_L$ ? $\pi^0\pi^+\pi^-$ ? $\pi^0(\mu\nu)(\mu\nu)$ •MC = 22 times the data



# **ΝΑ48/1:** *K***<sub>s</sub> ?π<sup>ο</sup>μμ**

#### $BR(K_{s}?\pi^{0}\mu \mu) \times 10^{9} = 2.9^{+1.4}_{-1.2}(stat) \pm 0.2(syst)$



**First Observation!** 

6 events Expected back. 0.22<sup>+019</sup>-0.12

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# Interference between $K_{L}^{0}$ ? $\pi^{0}$ ee and $K_{s}^{0}$ ? $\pi^{0}$ ee



Two independent theoretical analyses find that the interference term is constructive:

• Buchalla, Isidori, D' Ambrosio: hep-ph/0308008, NP B 672 (2003)

• Friot, Greynat, de Rafael: hep-ph/0404136, PL B 595 (2004)

### **K<sup>0</sup>**<sub>L</sub>?π <sup>o</sup>ee (μ μ ): SM Branching Ratios

Thank to the NA48/1 measurements, the K\_ BR can now be predicted(Isidori, Unterdorfer, Smith,  $Br(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-)$  (×10<sup>-12</sup>)EPJC36 (2004))Constructive

$$B_{e^+e^-} = 3.7_{-0.9}^{+1.1} \times 10^{-11}$$
$$B_{\mu^+\mu^-} = 1.5_{-0.3}^{+0.3} \times 10^{-11}$$

now favored by two independent analyses\*

#### Destructive

 $B_{e^+e^-} = 1.7_{-0.6}^{+0.7} \times 10^{-11}$  $B_{\mu^+\mu^-} = 1.0_{-0.2}^{+0.2} \times 10^{-11}$ 

\*G. Buchalla, G. D' Ambrosio, G. Isidori, Nucl.Phys.B672,387 (2003)

\*S. Friot, D. Greynat, E. de Rafael, hep-ph/0404136, PL B 595 15/11/2004 A. Ceccuc





#### *K*<sup>0</sup>, $\pi$ <sup>0</sup>ee (μ μ ): Sensitivity to New Physics Isidori, Unterdorfer, Smith: $Br(K_{I} \rightarrow \pi^{0}\mu^{+}\mu^{-}) \quad (\times 10^{-12})$ Fleischer et al\*: Enhanced EWP 50 Ratios of $B_{d}$ ?K $\pi$ modes could be explained by enhanced electroweak 40 penguins which, in turn, would enhance the $K_i$ 30 BR's: $B_{a^+a^-}^{NP} = 9.0^{+1.6}_{-1.6} \times 10^{-11}$ 20 $B_{\mu^+\mu^-}^{NP} = 4.3^{+0.7}_{-0.7} \times 10^{-11}$ Standard Model 10 • A. J. Buras, R. Fleischer, S. Recksiegel, 120 20 100 40 60 80 F. Schwab, hep-ph/0402112, NP B697 (2004) $Br(K_{I} \rightarrow \pi^{0}e^{+}e^{-}) \quad (\times 10^{-12})$ 15/11/2004 A. Ceccucci, CERN 23 MARSEILLE

### NA48/2 : K+/K<sup>-</sup>





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### NA48/2: Aim

### **Direct CP violation**



in 
$$K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^{\pm} \pi^{\mp}$$
,  $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^{0} \pi^{0}$   
 $M(u) \propto 1 + g \cdot u$ ,  $u = f(\Xi_{\pi-odd}^{*})$ 

 $\delta(A_g) < 2 \cdot 10^{-4}$ 

#### In addition:

- Study of  $\pi \pi$  scattering using Ke4 (and  $\pi \pm \pi^0 \pi^0$ ) events
- Study of medium-rare charged kaon decays
- Study of semi-leptonic decays





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2

4

X, cm



P, GeV/c



X,cm

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### $\mathbf{K}^{\pm} \pi^{\pm} e^{+} e^{-} \mathbf{\&} \mathbf{K}^{\pm} \pi^{\pm} \mu^{+} \mu^{-}$ selection

### (preliminary)



- low background (1-2%)
- expected data sample in 2003-2004 comparable to the World best sample



0.49

 $m_{\pi\mu\mu}$ 

0.5

0.51

(GeV)

0.48

**8.46** 

0.47

0.52

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### **The Near Future: NA48/3** *K*<sup>+</sup> ? $\pi^+ \nu \nu$ at the CERN-SPS

SPSC-2004-029 SPSC-1229 Cambridge, CERN, Dubna, Ferrara, Firenze, Mainz, Perugia, Pisa, Saclay, Torino, + ??

Work inspired by:

High Quality NA48/2 charged Kaon beams
 and Beam Spectrometers

• Outstanding Progress by BNL E787/E949

• In flight technique with separated beam (FNAL CKM, not ratified by P5)

### "CERN Director General Outlines Sevenpoint Strategy for European Laboratory"

18.6.2004 Official CERN Press Release

Geneva 18 June 2004. "At the 128th session of **CERN** Council, held today under the chairmanship of Professor Enzo Iarocci, CERN Director General, Robert Aymar, outlined a seven-point scientific strategy for the Organization. Top of the list was completion of the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) project with start-up on schedule in 2007. This was followed by consolidation of existing infrastructure at **CERN** to guarantee reliable operation of the LHC, with the third priority being an examination of a possible future experimental programme apart from the LHC."

<sup>15/11/2004</sup> MARSEILLE possible Future Programme was reviewed in Villars <sup>33</sup>

### *K*<sup>+</sup>?π<sup>+</sup>νν : Theory

- The hadronic matrix element can be extracted from the well measured  $K^+?\pi^0 e^+\nu$
- No long distance contributions



Prediction (CKM Workshop):  $BR(K^+ ? \pi^+ \vee \vee) = 8.0 \pm 1.1 \times 10^{-11}$ Expect improvements NNLO calculation + reduction parametric uncertainty 4 % error (Buras)

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# Main $K^+$ decay modes competing with $K^+?\pi^+\nu\nu$

Decay	BR	Suppression:
μ +ν	<b>63 %</b>	μ <b>PID, kinematics</b>
$\pi$ + $\pi$ $^{0}$		$\gamma$ veto, kinematics
$\pi$ + $\pi$ + $\pi$ -	<b>21 %</b>	CHV, kinematics
$\pi$ + $\pi$ $^{0}\pi$ $^{0}$	<b>6 %</b>	$\gamma$ veto, kinematics
$\pi^{0}\mu^{+}\nu$	2 %	γ veto, μ <b>PID</b>
$\pi^{0} \mathbf{e}^{+} \mathbf{v}$	<b>3 % (called K+<sub>µ 3</sub>)</b>	γ veto, E/P
	5 % (called K+ <sub>e3</sub> ) BR(K+?π + ∨ ∨	)~10 <sup>-10</sup> !!

### **State of the art: AGS-E787/E949** *K*<sup>+</sup>**?**π <sup>+</sup> ν ν



 $K^+$ ? $\pi^+ \nu \nu$  : State of the art



• Twice the SM, but only based on 3 events...

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# NA48/3: Framework

- So far  $K^+$ ? $\pi^+ \nu \nu$  only studied with kaon decays at rest
  - This limits the statistics to a few events
- NA48/3 can collect ~100 events at the SPS by 2010
- Employ high energy kaons has the following advantages:
  - The larger cross section increases the kaon content in the beam
  - The rejection of backgrounds from  $K^+$ ? $\pi^+\pi^0$  is simplified
    - Tens of GeV of EM energy is deposited in the photon vetoes!
  - Accidental background are minimised (muons ~ 7 MHz)
    - The use of unseparated beam becomes a possibility
- 2/3 of the final state is invisible !!
  - The kaon and the pion must be redundantly measured to keep backgrounds under control
  - Muon and photon vetoes are essential

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### **Kinematics**



### NA48/3: Beam Layout





### Acceptance



 $P_{K} = 75 \, GeV \, / \, c \qquad P_{\pi} < 40 \, GeV \, / \, c$ Assume Acceptance (Region I+II) ~ 10%

### **New high-intensity** *K*<sup>+</sup> beam for NA48/3

	Present K12	New HI K⁺	Factor
Beam:	(NA48/2)	> 2006	wrt 2004
SPS protons per pulse on T10	$1 \chi 10^{12}$	$3 \chi 10^{12}$	3.0
Duty cycle (s./s.)	4.8 / 16.8		1.0
Solid angle (µ sterad)	<i>≈ 0.40</i>	≈ <i>16</i>	40
Av. K <sup>+</sup> momentum <p<sub>K&gt; (GeV/c)</p<sub>	60	75	<i>Total</i> : 1.35
Mom. band RMS: ( $\Delta p/p$ in %)	<i>≈</i> 4	≈1	~0.25
Area at Gigatracker (cm²)	<i>≈ 7.0</i>	≈ <i>20</i>	≈ 2.8
Total beam per pulse (χ 10 <sup>7</sup> )	5.5	250	~45 (~27)
per Effective spill length (MHz)	18	800	~45 (~27)
//cm²(KABES) (MHz)	2.5	40	~16 (~10)
Eff. running time / yr (pulses)	$3^{*}\chi 10^{5}$	3.1 * 10 <sup>5</sup>	1.0
K⁺ decays per year	$1.0\chi 10^{11}$	4.0x10 <sup>12</sup>	$ ightarrow \approx 40$

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### NA48/3: Aim

- Collect 80 K<sup>+</sup>?π<sup>+</sup>νν events in about two years of data taking for:
  - $-4 \times 10^{12}$  Kaon decays/SPS year
  - **BR( K<sup>+</sup>?**π<sup>+</sup>νν ) ~**10**<sup>-10</sup>

– Acceptance ~ 10%

### **Detectors**

- CEDAR
  - To tag positive kaon identification
- GIGATRACKER
  - To Track secondary beam before it enters the decay region
- ANTI
  - Photon vetoes surrounding the decay tank
- WC
  - Wire chambers to track the kaon decay products
- CHOD
  - Fast hodoscope to make a tight K-pi time coincidence
- LKR
  - Forward photon veto and e.m. calorimeter
- MAMUD
  - Hadron calorimeter, muon veto and sweeping magnet
- SAC and CHV
  - Small angle photon and charged particle vetoes

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# **GIGATRACKER**

#### • Specifications:

- Momentum resolution to  $\sim 0.5$  %
- Angular resolution ~ 10  $\mu$  rad
- Time resolution ~ 100 ps
- Minimal material budget
- Perform all of the above in
  - 800 MHz hadron beam, 40 MHz / cm^2
- Hybrid Detector:
  - SPIBES (Fast Si micro-pixels)
    - Momentum measurement
    - Facilitate pattern recognition in subsequent FTPC
    - Time coincidence with CHOD
  - FTPC (NA48/2 KABES technology with FADC r/o)
    - Track direction

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# Can we do w/o beampipe?



### Simulation: Geometry **Standard** >

Testrun 2004 (beatch file) NA48/3 (beatch file)





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- Set of ring-shaped photon vetoes surrounding the decay tank
- Specification: inefficiency to detect photons above 100 MeV < 10<sup>-4</sup>
- The NA48 ANTI's (AKL) need to be replaced
- Extensive R&D Performed by American and Japanese groups
- Claims that inefficiency as low as 10<sup>-5</sup> can be achieved
- Baseline solution: Lead/ Plastic scintillator sandwich (1-2 mm lead / 5 mm plastic scintillator)
- Cost driver of NA48/3

### LKR

- The NA48 Liquid Krypton Calorimeter
- Must achieve inefficiency < 10<sup>-5</sup> to detect photons above 1 GeV
- Advantages:
  - It exists
  - Homogeneous (not sampling) ionization calorimeter
  - Very good granularity (~2 ×2 cm<sup>2</sup>)
  - Fast read-out (Initial current, FWHM~70 ns)
  - Very good energy (~1%, time ~ 300ps and position (~1 mm) resolution
- Disadvantages
  - $\_$  0.5 %  $X_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}$  of passive material in front of active LKR
  - The cryogenic control system needs to be updated

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MAMUD

- To provide pion/muon separation and beam sweeping.
  - –Iron is subdivided in 150 2 cm thick plates (260  $\times$  260 cm  $^2\,$  )
- Four coils magnetise the iron plates to provide a
- 1.3 T dipole field in the beam region
- Active detector:
  - -Strips of extruded polystyrene scintillator
    - (1 x 4 x130 cm<sup>3</sup>)
  - Light is collected by WLS fibres 1.2 mm diameter

Coils cross section 15cm x 25cm

Pole gap is 11 cm V x 30 cm H

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### Where are we?

- September 26-27, 2004
  - Our presentations at Villars were well received
- October 7, 2004
  - John Dainton, SPSC Chairman reported the conclusions from Villars at CERN in a seminar at CERN
  - Verbally: "The SPSC looks forward to receive a proposal"
- October 18, 2004
  - Letter of Intent officially submitted.

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We are establishing sub-working groups aiming to submit a proposal by mid 2005:

\*\*\*New Collaborators are welcome\*\*\*

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# From J. Dainton (SPSC Chair)

new rare decay frontier in K physics at CERN new experiments planned for  $K \rightarrow important$ support R&D now for  $K^+ \rightarrow + results \leq 2010$ - no competition ...yet!

longer term opportunity for  $\mathcal{K} \rightarrow {}^{\circ}$ - direct competition (decay at rest) synergy with energy frontier @ LHC . . @ CERN - B-physics - LF violation

### 2004 Test beam

- It was of the utmost importance to test in 2004 the performance of the NA48 detectors at intensities comparable to NA48/3 (no SPS in 2005!)
- This was a unique opportunity to collect data to validate our –simulated- understanding to quantify the necessary effort (technical and financial) to transform NA48 into an experiment capable to address  $K^+ 2\pi^+ \nu \nu$ .
- Thank to the extension granted by CERN we could test:
  - WC: raise intensity to about 30 times NA48/2
  - GIGATRACKER
    - Tested a state-of the-art ALICE SPD assembly in our beam
    - Use a thinner 25 micron MICROMEGAS amplification gap
    - Read out KABES with 480 MHz FADC (former NA48 tagger FADC)
    - Read KABES at ~14 times the NA48/2 rate
  - LKR: Complement the photon coverage with extra LKr electronics and a Small Angle Calorimeter SAC (CMS RCAL prototype)
  - CHOD test of prototypes

# **Time Schedule**

#### • 2004

- Launch GIGATRACKER R&D
- Vacuum tests
- Evaluate straw tracker
- Start realistic cost estimation
- Complete analysis of beam-test data
- **2005** 
  - Complete of the above
  - Complete Specifications
  - Submit proposal to SPSC
- **2006-2008** 
  - Costruction, Installation and beam-tests
- 2009-2010
  - Data Taking

### Conclusions

- We have found a fortunate combination where a compelling physics case can be addressed with an existing accelerator, employing the infrastructure (i.e. civil engineering, hardware, some sub-systems) of an existing experiment
- We stress that this initiative in not a mere continuation of NA48
- We are seeking new Collaborators!