# Particle Identification in the NA48 Experiment Using Neural Networks

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Introduction
NA 48 detector is designed for measurement of the CP-violation parameters in the K <sup>0</sup> – decays –successfully carried out.
Investigation of rare K <sup>0</sup> <sub>s</sub> and neutral Hyperons decays – 2002
Search for CP-violation and measurement of the parameters of rare charged Kaon decays – 2003
A clear particle identification is required in order to suppress the background
<ul> <li>In K – decays – μ, π and e</li> <li>Identification of muons do not cause any problems</li> <li>We need as good as possible e/π - separation</li> </ul>



#### **NA48 detector**





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2003 Program for a precision measurement of Charged Kaon Decays Parameters

Direct CP – violation in  $K^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm}\pi^{\mp}\pi^{\mp}$ ,  $K^{\pm} \to \pi^{0}\pi^{0}\pi^{\pm}$ Ke4 -  $K^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm}\pi^{\mp}e^{\pm}\nu(\overline{\nu})$ Scattering lengths  $a_{0}^{0}, a_{0}^{2}$ Padiative decays  $K^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm}\gamma\gamma$ ,  $K^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm}\gamma\gamma\gamma$ ,  $K^{\pm} \to \pi^{\pm}\pi^{0}\gamma$ 

	Introduction	
•	Significant background in $K_{e4}$ comes from K	3π
	$K^+  ightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-  { m decay}$	Background in $K_{e4}^c$
	$\pi$ with $0.9 < E_{cal}/p < 1.1$	4%

 $\leq 0.1\%$ 

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+	Goal -	to	reach	good	enough	$e/\pi$	separation	
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 $K^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \to e \nu_e (Br = 1.2 \cdot 10^{-4})$ 

 $K^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \to \delta ray > eGeV$ 

 $K^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \to \mu \nu_\mu \to e \nu_e$ 

♦ 
$$K^+ → π^+ π^+ π^- < 0.1 \%$$

Definitions:

- $\bullet$  Probability to identify a  $\pi$  as an e :  $\epsilon^{\pi \rightarrow e}$
- Probability to identify an e as an e :  $\epsilon^e_{eff}$
- $\bullet$  i.e. relatively to E/p < 0.9 cut  $\epsilon^{\pi \to e} \sim 2.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$





## **Sensitive Variables**



- Difference in development of e.m. and hadron showers
- Lateral development
- EM calorimeter gives information for lateral development
- From Liquid Kripton Calorimeter (LKr)

≻ E/p

- Emax/Eall, RMSX, RMSY
- Distance between the track entry point and the associated shower
- Effective radius of the shower

### Sensitive variables - E/p

Entries



#### E/p distribution

➤MC simulation

 A correct simulation of the energy deposed by pions in the EM calorimeter - problem for big E/p
 It is better to use experimental events 10<sup>5</sup>  $\pi$ e 104  $10^{3}$  $10^{2}$ 10 1 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 1.1 1.2 1.3 1.4 1.5 1 E/p

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## **Sensitive variables - RMS**



#### RMS of the electromagnetic cluster





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## Distance



#### Distance between track entry point and center of the EM cluster



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#### Sensitive variables - Emax/Eall, Reff





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✤To test different possibilities we have used: ➢Simulated Ke3 decays − 1.3 M  $\blacktriangleright$ Simulated single e and  $\pi$  – 800 K  $\pi$  and 200 K e Using different cuts we have obtained > Relatively to E/p < 0.9 cut  $\mathcal{E}_{eff}^{\pi \to e} = 15.7 \times 10^{-2}$ >Keeping  $\mathcal{E}_{eff}^{e} > 95 \%$  $Using Neural Network it is possible to reach e/\pi separation:$ > Relatively to E/p < 0.9 cut  $\mathcal{E}_{eff}^{\pi \to e} < 2.0 \times 10^{-2}$ >Keeping  $\mathcal{E}_{eff}^{e} > 98\%$ • The background from  $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^{\pm} \pi^{\mp} \sim 0.1\%$ 



## **Neural Network**



Powerful tool for:

- Classification of particles and final states
- Track reconstruction
- Particle identification
- Reconstruction of invariant masses
- Energy reconstruction in calorimeters

Basic computing element - Neuron



neuron performs calculations in three steps

$$I_i = \sum_k w_{ik} O_k, \qquad A_i(I) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(I_i + b_i)}}, \qquad O_i = \Theta(A_i - A_{0i}), \quad (1)$$

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## **Neural Network**



Multi-Layer-Feed Forward network consists of:

- ≻Set of input neurons
- ≻One or more layers of hidden neurons
- ≻Set of output neurons

> The neurons of each layer are connected to the ones to the subsequent layer

#### Training

➢ Presentation of pattern

Comparison of the desired output with the actual NN output

>Backwards calculation of the error and adjustment of the weights

Minimization of the error function

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j} (t_{j} - o_{j})^{2}$$



#### NN 10-30-20-2-1





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## **Neural Network**



✤ Backpropagation learning algorithm

$$\Delta w = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w}$$

- ♦ η learning rate varies significantly
- Rprop uses individual learning rate and Manhattan updating rule

$$\Delta w = -\eta sign[\frac{\partial E}{\partial w}]$$

At every step,  $\eta$  is adjusted as:

$$\eta_{w,t+1} = \gamma^+ \eta_{w,t}$$
 if  $\partial E_{t+1} \cdot \partial E_t > 0$ ,

 $\eta_{w,t+1} = \gamma^- \eta_{w,t}$  if  $\partial E_{t+1} \cdot \partial E_t < 0$ 

$$0 < \gamma^- < 1 < \gamma^+$$





► E/pi separation – to teach and test the performance of NN We have used experimental data from two different runs
Charged kaon test run # 1 2001
► electrons from K<sup>±</sup> → π<sup>±</sup>π<sup>0</sup> → π<sup>±</sup>e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>γ
► pions from K<sup>±</sup> → π<sup>±</sup>π<sup>±</sup>π<sup>∓</sup>
★ K<sup>0</sup>e4 run 2001
► electrons from K<sup>0</sup> → π<sup>±</sup>e<sup>∓</sup>v
► pions from K<sup>0</sup> → π<sup>+</sup>π<sup>-</sup>π<sup>0</sup>





## $K^{\pm} ightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^{0} ightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{+} e^{-} \gamma$



#### Electron selection





#### $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm}\pi^{0} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm}e^{+}e^{-}\gamma$



#### Electron selection





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#### **Charged run**



#### E/p and momentum distributions



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## **Charged run NN performance**



♦Net: 10-30-20-2-1

♦Input: E/p, Dist, Rrms, p, RMSx, RMSy, dx/dz, dy/dz, DistX, DistY
♦Teaching: 10000 π - K<sup>±</sup> → π<sup>±</sup>π<sup>±</sup>π<sup>∓</sup>, 5000 e - K<sup>±</sup> → π<sup>±</sup>π<sup>0</sup> → π<sup>±</sup>e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>γ

	$e^{\pm}$	$\pi^{\mp}$	$\epsilon^e_{eff}$ , $\%$
ALL	8889	912164	
E/p > 0.6	8776	69334	
E/p > 0.9	8662	7533	97.4
out > 0.9	8357	254	94.0
out > 0.95	8070	168	90.8

	$\epsilon^{\pi \to e}$	$\epsilon^{e}_{eff}$ ,%
out > 0.9/ALL	$2.8\cdot 10^{-4}$	94.
out> $0.9/E/p > 0.9$	$3.4 \cdot 10^{-2}$	96.5
out> 0.95/ALL	$1.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$	90.8
out> $0.95/E/p > 0.9$	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$	93.2

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## $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^{\mp} e^{\pm} \nu(\overline{\nu})$





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#### There is a good agreement between MC and Experimental distributions

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$$K^0 
ightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \pi^0 v$$
 reconstruction with NN

**Decay**  $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \pi^0 v$ 

Significant background comes from  $K^0 \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ when one  $\pi$  is misidentified as an e

#### Teaching sample:

Pions - from  $K^0 \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ , 800 K events
Electrons - from  $K^0 \to \pi^\pm e^\mp V$ , 22 K events

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# $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \pi^0 v$ reconstruction with NN



## e identification efficiency

#### $\pi$ rejection factor



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## Ke4 run NN performance



**♦Net**: 10-30-20-2-1

◆Input: E/p, Dist, Rrms, p, RMSx, RMSy, dx/dz, dy/dz, DistX, DistY
◆Teaching: 10000 π - K<sup>0</sup> → π<sup>+</sup>π<sup>-</sup>π<sup>0</sup>, 5000 e - K<sup>0</sup> → π<sup>±</sup>e<sup>∓</sup>V

	$e^{\pm}$	$\pi^{\mp}$	$\epsilon^{e}_{eff},\%$
ALL	4940	616705	
E/p > 0.6	4915	461856	—
E/p > 0.9	4857	89605	98.3
out> 0.85	4667	4630	94.5
out> 0.9	4386	3729	88.8

	$\epsilon^{\pi  ightarrow e}$	$\epsilon^e_{eff},\%$
out > 0.85/ALL	$7.5\cdot10^{-3}$	94.5
out> $0.85/E/p > 0.9$	$5.1\cdot10^{-2}$	95.0
out> 0.9/ALL	$6.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	92.7
out> $0.95/E/p > 0.9$	$3.2\cdot10^{-2}$	89.2





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 $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \pi^0 v$ 



## $e/\pi$ Neural Network

#### Performance

no bkg subtraction!

- using nnout > 0.9 cut
- works visibly very well
- but what about bkg?









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## $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \pi^0 v$ reconstruction with NN



## $e/\pi$ Neural Network

#### Performance

background is fitted both with and without NN
ratio R (rejection factor) is measure of performance



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# $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \pi^0 \nu$ reconstruction with NN



NN rejection factor background  $e/\pi$  Neural Network 350 6000 300 5000 250 4000 Optimization 200 3000 150 2000 100 1000 50 goal: optimize the cut 0 Ο values for nnout and 1/R 0.9 0.7 0.8 Ô 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 1/Rnnout NN efficiency Signal 5000 1 ┉┉┉ 4000 0.8 3000 0.6 2000 0.4 1000 0.2 0 0 0.7 0.8 0.9 Ô 0.1 0.2 0.5 0.3 04 1/Rnnout efficiency vs enn sig in signal region (KE4)

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# NB

 $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \pi^0 v$ 

## reconstruction with NN



#### Optimization

- value to minimize: combined statistical and systematical error
- statistical error goes with  $N^{-\frac{1}{2}}$
- systematical error grows with background

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \oplus c \cdot \frac{bkg}{sig}$$



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# $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \pi^0 \nu$ reconstruction with NN



## $e/\pi$ Neural Network



- background can be reduced at level 0.3 %
- •Ke4 reconstruction efficiency at level 95%







e/π separation with NN has been tested on experimental data
 For charged K run we have obtained:

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▶ Relatively to E/p < 0.9 cut</p>  $\mathcal{E}_{eff}^{\pi \to e} \sim 3.4 \times 10^{-2}$ 

>At  $\mathcal{E}_{eff}$  ~96%

➤A correct Ke4 analysis can be done without additional detector (TRD)

➤Background can be reduced at the level of ~ 1%

 $\succ$  ~ 5 % of the Ke4 events are lost due to NN efficiency

#### ✤For Ke4 run we have obtained:

Rejection factor ~ 38 on experimental data

> Background ~ 0.3% at  $\mathcal{E}_{e\!f\!f}$  ~ 95%





Additionally Neural Network for Ke4 recognition has been developed
 The combined output of the two NN is used for selection of Ke4 decays
 NN approach leads to significant enrichment of the Ke4 statistics ~2 times

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