

# Precise test of Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix unitarity

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# Introduction

- CKM quark mixing matrix
- CKM unitarity
- NA48 experimental setup
- Measurement of  $\text{Br}(K^0_L e^3)/\text{Br}(2\pi^0)$
- $\text{Br}(K^0_L e^3)$
- Measurement of  $\text{Br}(K^0_L \rightarrow 3\pi^0)$
- Measurement of  $\text{Br}(K^\pm e^3)$
- Extraction of  $V_{us}$
- $K^0_L e^3$  form factors
- The radiative decay  $\text{Br}(K^0_L e^3 \gamma)$
- Conclusions







# Introduction

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## CKM - Introduction

# Fundamental particles

## Leptons

Tau		Electric Charge -1	Tau Neutrino		Electric Charge 0
Muon		-1	Muon Neutrino		0
Electron		-1	Electron Neutrino		0

## Quarks

Bottom		Electric Charge -1/3	Top		Electric Charge 2/3
Strange		-1/3	Charm		2/3
Down		-1/3	Up		2/3

each quark: ●R, ●B, ●G 3 colors

*The particle drawings are simple artistic representations*

# Interactions of the fundamental particles

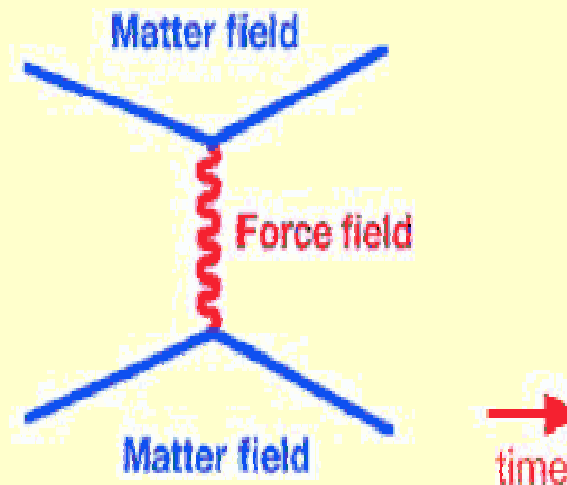
Forces are transmitted by the exchange of (force) particles between (matter) particles

Explains the differences between forces  
To verify : look for force particles

$$\text{Range of a Force} \propto \frac{1}{\text{mass of exchange particle}}$$

Observe 4 forces

There are 4 different types of force fields



# Standard Model

In QFT – the local invariance of  $\mathcal{L}$  defines the interactions

Electromagnetic Interactions:  $\gamma$

Quantum Electrodynamics (QED)  $U(1)$

In the Standard Model

QED + Weak Interactions:  $\gamma, Z^0, W^\pm$

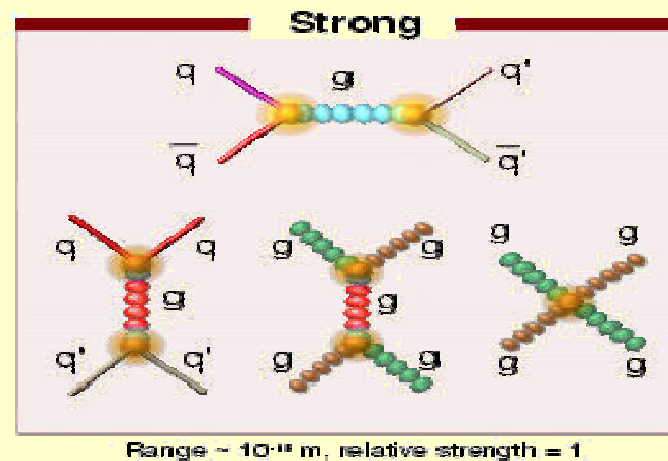
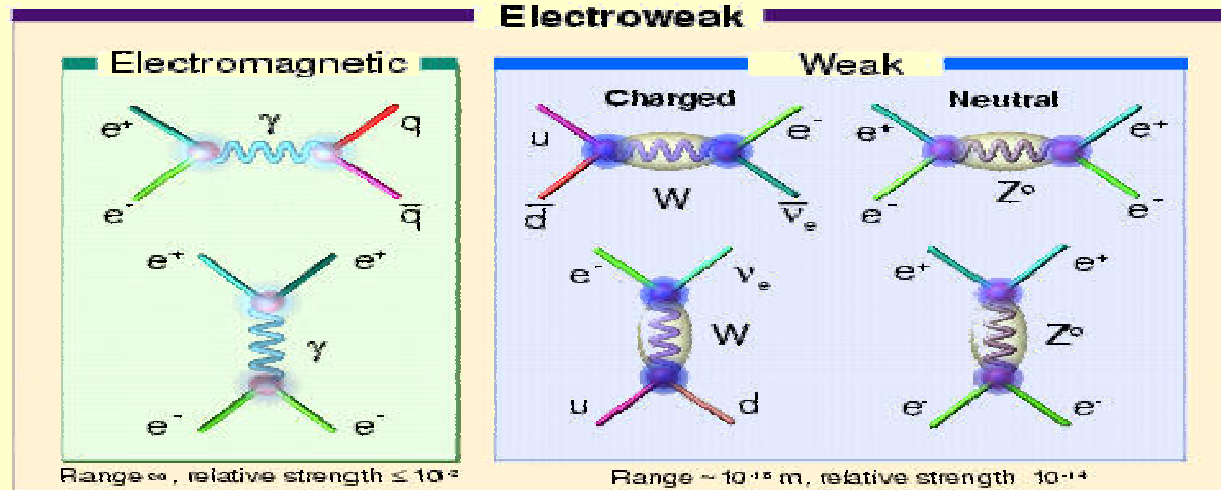
Electroweak Theory  $SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$

Strong Interaction **8 Gluons**

Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)  $SU_c(3)$

# Interactions

## Interactions: coupling of forces to matter



# Standard Model

## LEPTONS

- ❖ Do not participate in strong interactions
- ❖ Spin  $\frac{1}{2}$
- ❖ Observed as free particles
- ❖ Pointlike ( $r < \text{few} \times 10^{-17} \text{cm}$ )

## QUARKS

- ❖ Strong interactions bind them into hadrons
- ❖ Not observed as free particle – confinement
- ❖ Spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  ; pointlike; ( $r < \text{few} \times 10^{-17} \text{cm}$ )
- ❖  $Q_u = 2/3$  ;  $Q_d = -1/3$

## Family (Generation) Structure

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu'_j & u'_j \\ l'_j & d'_j \end{pmatrix}$$

$$N_G = 3$$



# Standard Model

**Three Families**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e & \mathbf{u} \\ e^- & \mathbf{d}' \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu & \mathbf{c} \\ \mu^- & \mathbf{s}' \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\tau & \mathbf{t} \\ \tau^- & \mathbf{b}' \end{pmatrix}$$

**Family Structure**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_l & q_u \\ l_j & q_d \end{pmatrix} \equiv \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \nu_l \\ l^- \end{pmatrix}_L, (\nu_l)_R, l_R^- \right\}; \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} q_u \\ q_d \end{pmatrix}_L, (q_u)_R, (q_d)_R \right\}$$

**Charged Currents  $W^\pm$**

**Left-handed fermions only**

**Flavor changing:  $\nu_l \leftrightarrow l, q_u \leftrightarrow q_d$**

**Neutral Currents  $\gamma, Z$**

**Flavor Conserving  $f_i \leftrightarrow f_i$**

## Standard Model

# PROBLEM WITH MASS SCALES

Gauge Symmetry



$$m_\gamma = 0$$

Good

$$M_W = M_Z = 0$$

Bad!



$$M_W = 80.43 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_Z = 91.19 \text{ GeV}$$

Moreover

$$\mathcal{L}_{m_f} \equiv -m_f \bar{f} f = -m_f (\bar{f}_L f_R + \bar{f}_R f_L)$$

Also Forbidden by Gauge Symmetry



$$m_f = 0$$

$\forall f$

## All Particles Massless

# Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking

In the SM masses are generated through

Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking (**SSB**) – Higgs Mechanism

Introduce Scalar Higgs doublet  $\rightarrow$  The Lagrangian is invariant

However its vacuum state is degenerate –  $|\langle 0 | \Phi_0 | 0 \rangle| = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$

Choice of the vacuum state – leads to SSB

$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_Q$

Couplings with gauge bosons and fermions – induce mass terms

Price – new particle **H-boson** – to be discovered

## Fermion Masses

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu'_j & u'_j \\ l'_j & d'_j \end{pmatrix}$$

$N_G=3$  identical copies :  $f'$  are massless weak eigenstates

Scalar doublet couples with fermions – allowed by the Gauge Symmetry



SSB

$$L_Y = -\left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) [\bar{d}'_L M'_d d'_R + \bar{u}'_L M'_u u'_R + \bar{l}'_L M'_l l'_R + h.c.]$$

Arbitrary Non-Diagonal Complex Mass Matrices

$$[M'_d, M'_u, M'_l]_{jk} = -[c_{jk}^{(d)}, c_{jk}^{(u)}, c_{jk}^{(l)}] \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$$

# Diagonalization of Mass Matrices

$$M'_f = S_f^+ M_f S_f U_f \quad S_f^+ S_f = 1 \quad U_f^+ U_f = 1$$

$$L_Y = - \left( 1 + \frac{H}{v} \right) [\bar{d} M_d d + \bar{u} M_u u + \bar{l} M_l l]$$

$$M_u = \text{diag}(m_u, m_c, m_t) \quad M_d = \text{diag}(m_d, m_s, m_b) \quad M_l = \text{diag}(m_e, m_\mu, m_\tau)$$

$$f_L = S_f f'_L$$

$$f_R = S_f U_f f'_R$$

**Mass Eigenstates # Weak Eigenstates**

$$\bar{f}'_L f'_L = \bar{f}_L f_L \quad \bar{f}'_R f'_R = \bar{f}_R f_R \quad \Rightarrow \quad L'_{NC} = L_{NC}$$

$$\bar{u}'_L d'_L = \bar{u}_L V d_L \quad V = S_u S_d^+ \quad \Rightarrow \quad L'_{CC} \neq L_{CC}$$

**Quark Mixing**

**CKM Matrix**

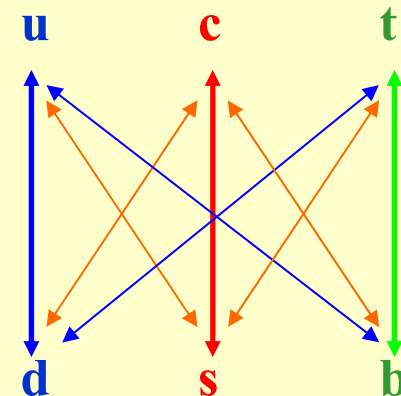
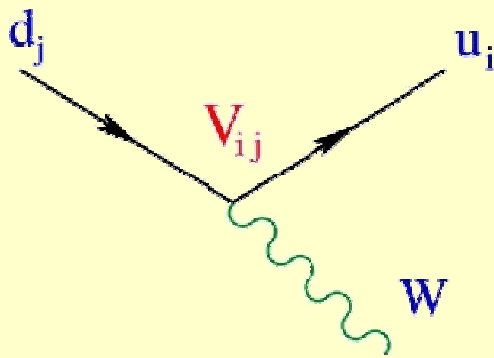
# Quark Mixing

$$L_{NC}^Z = \frac{e}{2 \sin \theta_W \cos \theta_W} Z_\mu \sum_f \bar{f} \gamma_\mu [v_f - a_f \gamma_5] f$$

**Flavour Conserving Neutral Current**

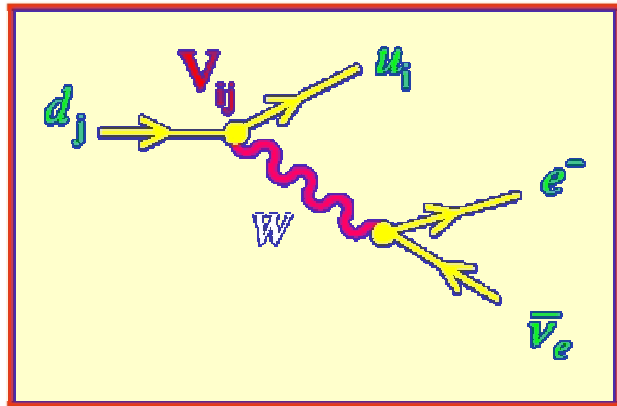
$$L_{CC}^W = \frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^+ \left[ \sum_{ij} \bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) V_{ij} d_j + \sum_l \bar{\nu}_l \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) l_j \right] + h.c.$$

**Flavour Changing Charged Current**



# Measurement of $V_{ij}$

The elements of the matrix  $V_{ij}$  are determined by the experiment



$$\Gamma(d_j \rightarrow u_i e^- \bar{\nu}_e) \propto |V_{ij}|^2$$

**We measure decays of hadrons (no free quarks)**  
**Problem – QCD Perturbation theory fails (low energy, bound states)**  
**Effective low-energy QCD based models**  
**Chiral Perturbation Theory ( $\chi$ PT)**  
**Significant theoretical input (Uncertainties)**

# CKM Unitarity

Unitarity of CKM matrix leads to a number of relations between  $V_{ij}$

In particular for the first row

$$|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 1$$

Most precisely measured elements of CKM

PDG 2004 data

$|V_{ud}|$  - well determined from measurement of

super allowed nuclear  $\beta$ -decays

free neutron life time

$$|V_{ud}| = 0.9738 \pm 0.0005$$

$$|V_{ub}| = (3.67 \pm 0.47) \cdot 10^{-3} - (|V_{ub}|^2 \approx 10^{-5} \text{ negligible})$$

SM prediction

$$|V_{us}| = 0.2274 \pm 0.0021$$



# CKM Unitarity

Experimental value

$$|V_{us}| = 0.2200 \pm 0.0026$$

$$\Delta|V_{us}| = 0.0074 \pm 0.0033 \quad \sim 2.2 \sigma \text{ discrepancy}$$

To solve the problem – measurement with precision  $\sim 1\%$  (limited by theory)

Semileptonic decays  $K \rightarrow \pi e \nu$  best for determination of  $|V_{us}|$

The  $Ke3$  matrix element is parameterized by one form factor

$$M = C \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{us} l^\mu f_+^{(o)}(t) (p_K + p_\pi)_\mu$$

Vector current transition matrix element

$$f_+^{(o)}(t) (p_K + p_\pi)_\mu = \langle \pi | V_\mu^4 - iV_\mu^5 | K \rangle$$

$$f_+^{(o)}(t) = f_+^{(o)}(0) \left[ 1 + \lambda_+ \frac{t}{m_{\pi^\pm}^2} \right]$$

$\lambda_+$  experimentally measured

## CKM Unitarity

Experimental data ~ 30 years old

Recent measurements -  $K^+e3$  (E865, 2003), NA48 and  
 $K^0e3$  - (KTeV), NA48, KLOE, prel

are significantly above previous results.

Accuracy – better than 1%

### Some definitions

$\Gamma(A \rightarrow B+C+\dots)$  - full decay probability (width)

If there are  $N$  possible ways in which particle  $A$  decays

$\Gamma_i$  ( $i=1,2,\dots,N$ ) – partial probability for a given channel

$Br_i = \Gamma_i / \Gamma$  – Branching fraction (ratio)

$\sum Br_i = 1$

NA48

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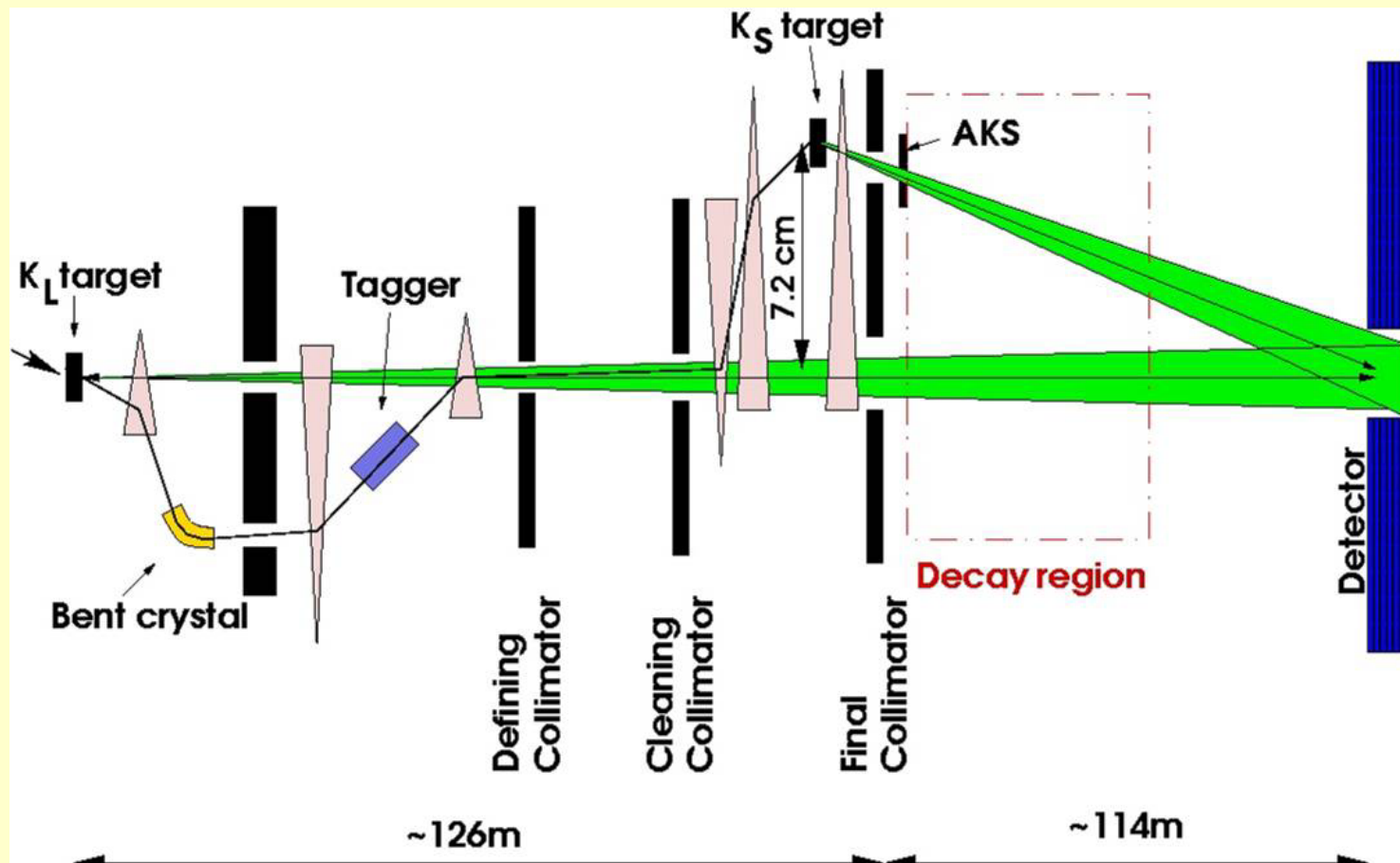
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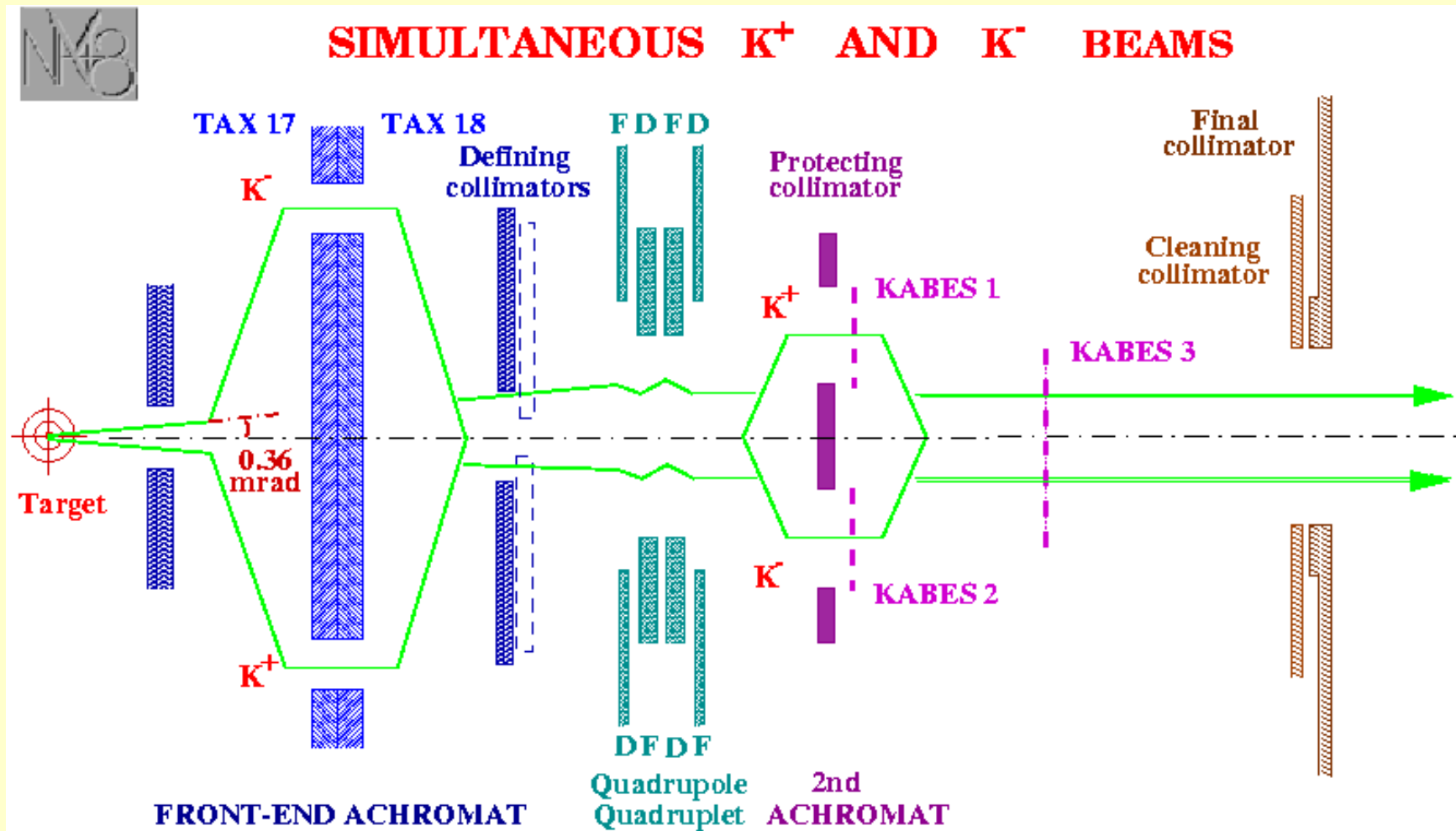
Designed for measurement of direct CP-violation and rare Kaon decays

Simultaneous  $K_L$  and  $K_S$  beams with momentum (20-200) GeV/c



# NA48/2

In 2003 NA48 beam line was upgraded to transport simultaneous  $K^+$  and  $K^-$  beams



# NA48 experiment

## □ Main detector components

### ❖ Magnet spectrometer

- Two drift chambers before and two after spectrometer magnet
- Momentum resolution  $< 1\%$  for 20 GeV/c momentum

### ❖ Scintillator hodoscope (200 ps)

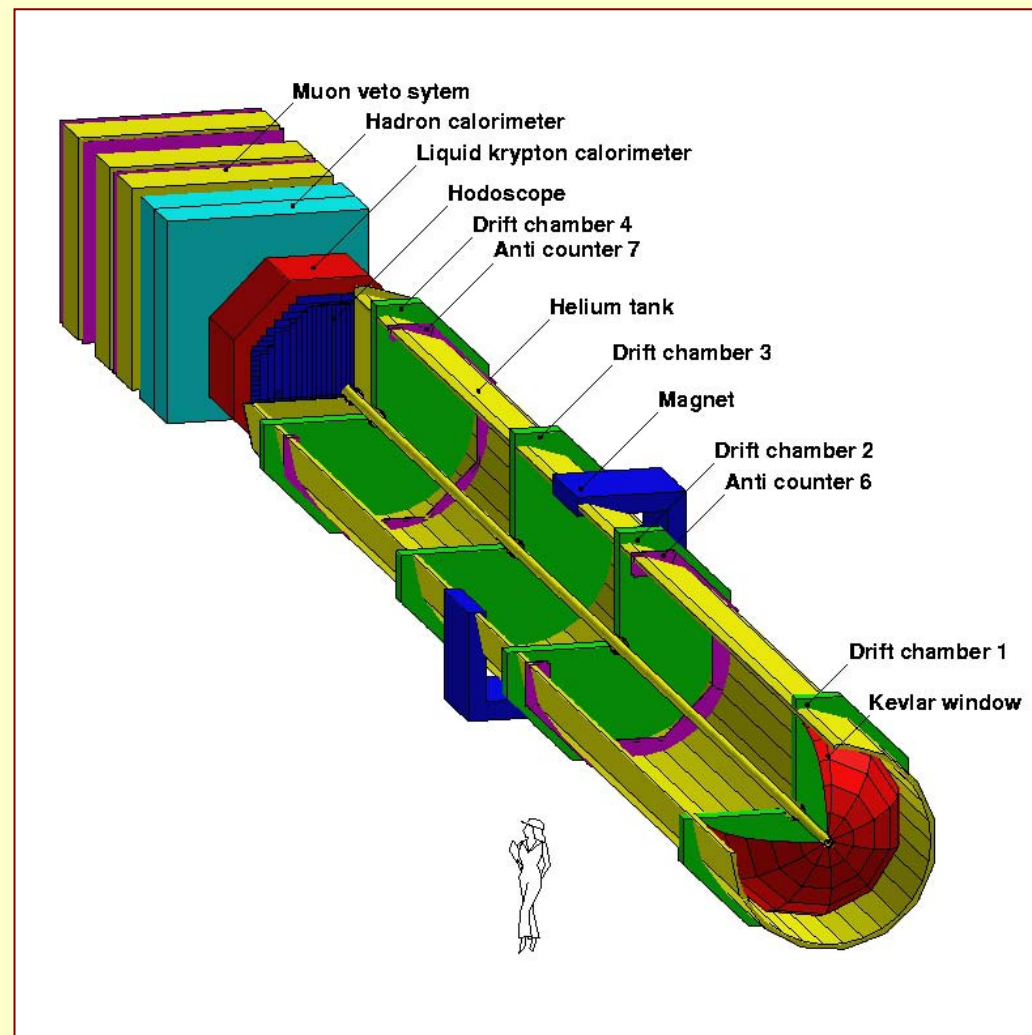
### ❖ Liquid Krypton Calorimeter

$$\frac{\delta E}{E} = \frac{3.2\%}{\sqrt{E[\text{GeV}]}} \oplus \frac{90\text{MeV}}{E} \oplus 0.42\%$$

### ❖ Hadron Calorimeter

### ❖ Muon Veto system

### ❖ Beams – $K_L^0, K_S^0, K^\pm$



## NA48 data

1997	$\epsilon'/\epsilon$ run	$K_L + K_S$
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1999	$\epsilon'/\epsilon$ run $K_L + K_S$	$K_S$ Hi. Int.
2000	$K_L$ only <i>NO Spectrometer</i>	$K_S$ High Intensity
2001	$\epsilon'/\epsilon$ run $K_L + K_S$	$K_S$ High Int.
2002	$K_S$ High Intensity	
2003	$K^\pm$ High Intensity	
2004	$K^\pm$ High Intensity	

### NA48: 1997 – 2001

- Direct CP violation ( $\text{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$ )
- $K_L$  decays (e.g.  $K_{e3}^0 \rightarrow |V_{us}|$ )

### NA48/1: 2000, 2002

- High-intensity run for rare  $K_S$  decays.
- Hyperon decays ( $\Xi^0, \Lambda$ ) ( $\rightarrow |V_{us}|$ )
- Neutral  $K_S$  decays (2000)

### NA48/2: 2003 – 2004

- Search for direct CPV in  $K^\pm$  decays.
- Rare decays  
( $K_{e4}, K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ e^+ e^-, K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \gamma \gamma, \dots$ )
- Semileptonic decays ( $K_{e3}^+ \rightarrow |V_{us}|$ )

## New NA48 results

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**V<sub>us</sub> measurement**



## $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi e \nu$

- ❖ Semileptonic  $K_L$  decays  $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi l \nu$ 
  - Data from special minimum bias run 1999 with pure  $K_L^0$  beam
  - Very high statistics available – 80 million triggers taken
- ❖ General idea
  - Normalize to as many as possible channels
  - Data selection and analysis - as simple as possible
- ❖ Measure the ratio  $\text{Br}(K_L^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-)/\text{Br}(2\text{tr})$      $2\text{tr} =$  all  $K_L^0$  decays with two charged particles in the spectrometer
  - Normalization on
$$\text{Br}(2\text{tr}) = 1.0048 - \text{Br}(K_L^0 \rightarrow 3\pi^0)$$
is experimentally known

$$K^0_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu$$

❖ Main selection criteria for 2 track sample

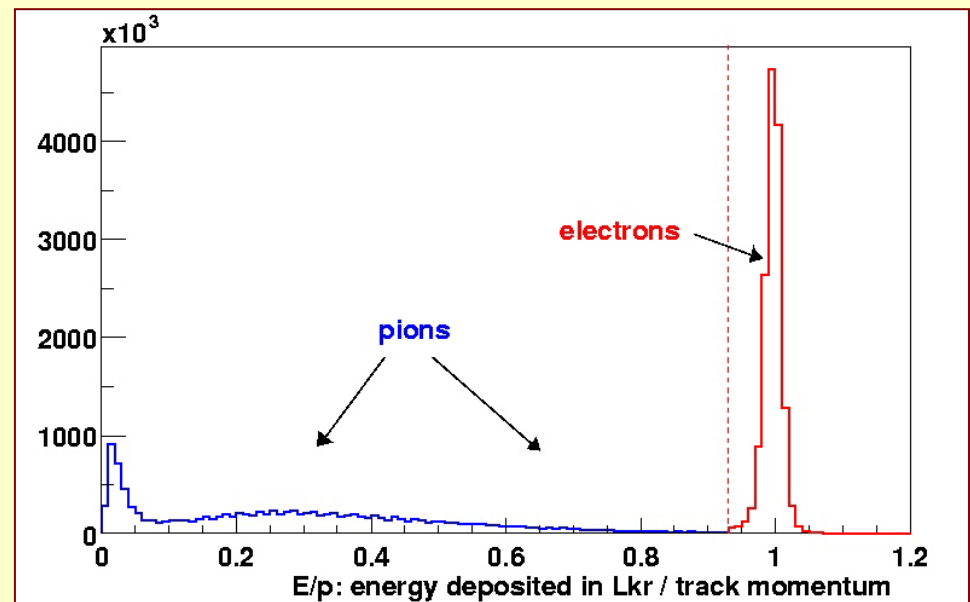
- Two tracks with opposite charges
- Decay vertex between 8 m and 33 m from final collimator
- Track separation in LKr > 25 cm
- Track momenta > 10 GeV
- $P_{\text{sum}} = P_1 + P_2 > 60 \text{ GeV}$

12.6 million 2 track events

❖  $K^0_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu$  selection – the same but

❖ One of the tracks to be an electron

- $E(\text{LKr})/p > 0.93$

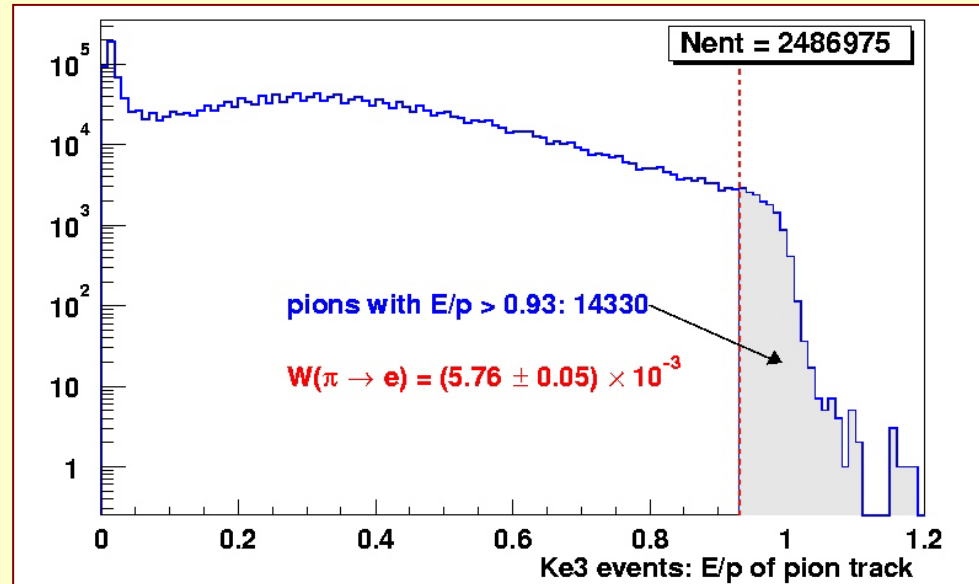


# $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi e \nu$

## ❖ Background to $K_{e3}$ sample

- BG from  $K\mu 3$  and  $K3\pi$  with  $\pi^\pm$  misidentified as  $e^\pm$
- Estimate the BG from  $K_{e3}$  data with identified  $e^\pm$  ( $E/p > 1$ )

$$P(\pi \rightarrow e) = 5.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

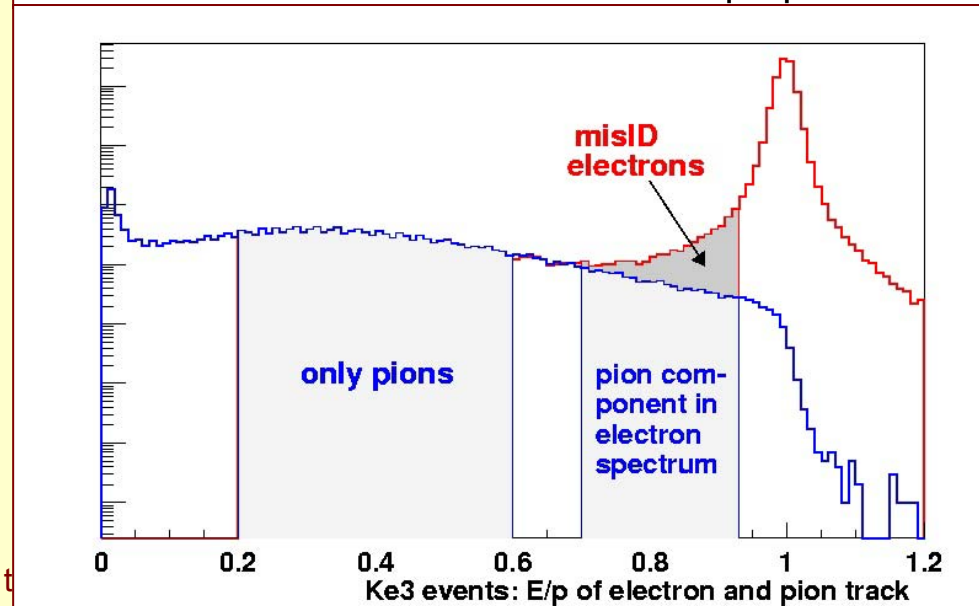


## ❖ Inefficiency of electron ID

- Estimate  $e^\pm$  inefficiency from  $K_{e3}$  data with identified  $\pi^\pm$  ( $0.3 < E/p < 0.7$ )

$$P(e \rightarrow \pi) = 4.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

Selected 6.7 million  $K_{e3}$



## $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi e \nu$

### ❖ Monte Carlo simulation of detector acceptance

- All two track channels involved – ( $K_{e3}$ ,  $K_{\mu 3}$ ,  $K_{3\pi}$ ,  $K_{2\pi}$ ,  $K_{3\pi^0_D}$ )
- For average 2-track acceptance use Br fractions
- Average from PDG and KTeV ( $B_{\mu 3}/B_{e3}$ ,  $B_{3\pi}/B_{e3}$ , ...)

$$A_{2tr} = 0.2412 \pm 0.0004$$

### ❖ $K_{e3}$ simulation includes radiative corrections and $K_{e3}\gamma$ with real photons Ginsberg (Phys.Rev. 171, 1675(1968)+ errata)

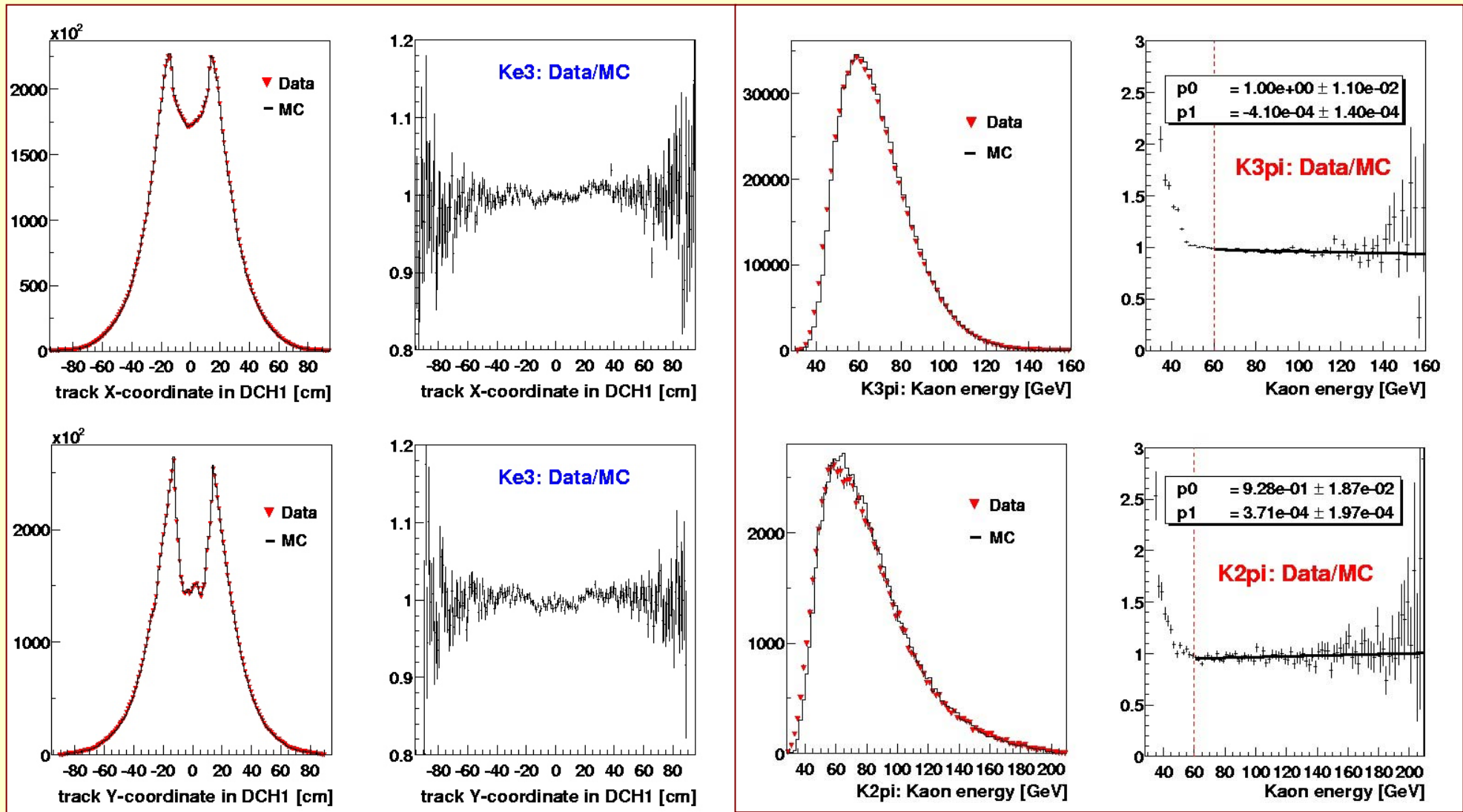
### ❖ Good agreement between MC and data except for high momentum $K_L^0$

### ❖ Systematic errors

- Main contribution comes from inexact knowledge of beam momentum (can be reconstructed only up to quadratic ambiguity)
- For measurement of beam momentum distribution –  $K_{2\pi}$  and  $K_{3\pi}$  decays
- Experimental uncertainty of 0.7% on measured ratio

### ❖ Statistical errors are negligible

# $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi e \nu$



$$K^0_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu$$

## Experimental result

$$\text{Br}(K^0_L e3)/\text{Br}(2\pi) = 0.4978 \pm 0.0035$$

To determine  $\text{Br}(K^0_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu)$  we need  $\text{Br}(K^0_L \rightarrow 3\pi^0)$

PDG04:  $\text{Br}(K^0_L \rightarrow 3\pi^0) = 0.2105 \pm 0.0028$

KTeV  $\text{Br}(K^0_L \rightarrow 3\pi^0) = 0.1945 \pm 0.0018$  ?

Average according PDG prescription

$$\text{Br}(K^0_L \rightarrow 3\pi^0) = 0.1992 \pm 0.0070$$

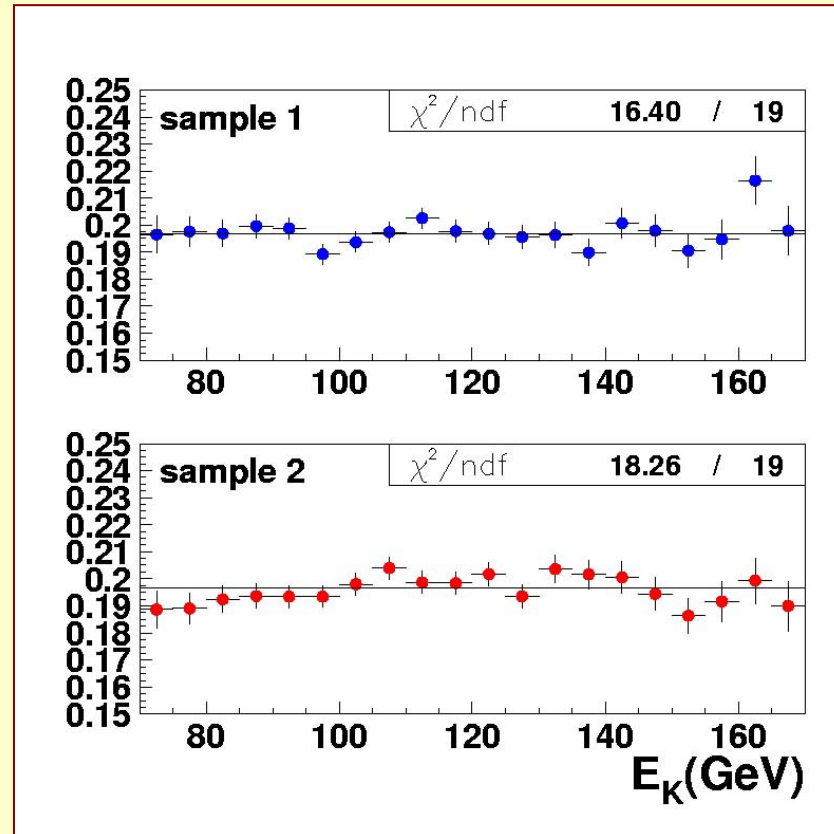
$$\text{Br}(K^0_L e3) = 0.4010 \pm 0.0028_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0035_{\text{norm}}$$

## Measurement of $\text{Br}(K_L^0 \rightarrow 3\pi^0)$

- ❖  $\text{Br}(K_L^0 \rightarrow 3\pi^0)$  is the main experimental uncertainty on  $\text{Br}(K_L^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-)$ 
  - PDG (Kreutz et al 1995) inconsistent with new KTeV result by  $\approx 5 \sigma$
  - Measure  $\text{Br}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0) / \text{Br}(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0)$
  - $\text{Br}(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0) = 0.3104 \pm 0.0014$  well measured
- ❖ NA48/1 data, 2000:
  - High intensity  $K_S$  beam
  - No material (DCH etc) between collimator and LKr calorimeter
  - Ideal for measurement of neutral Kaon decays
- ❖ We used only small amount of 2000 data
  - $\sim 200\,000 K_L \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0$
  - $\sim 600\,000 K_S \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$
  - Two independent samples
  - Same number of  $K_L$  and  $K_S$  is produced on the target

## Measurement of $\text{Br}(K_L^0 \rightarrow 3\pi^0)$

- ❖ Main systematic
  - LKr energy scale  $\pm 0.0020$
  - Effective target position  $\pm 0.0017$
  - $K_L$  life time:  $\pm 0.0015$



$$\text{Br}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0) = 0.1966 \pm 0.0006_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0033_{\text{syst}}$$

Preliminary

In a good agreement with KTeV result



## Measurement of $\text{Br}(\text{K}^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 e^\pm \nu)$

- ❖ NA48/2 data from 2003

- Low intensity  $\text{K}^+/\text{K}^-$  run (8 hours) with minimum bias trigger

- ❖ Normalize  $\text{K}^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 e^\pm \nu$  decay to  $\text{K}^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0$

$$\text{Br}(\text{K}^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0) = 0.2113 \pm 0.0014$$

- ❖ Selected events

$$\text{K}^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu \quad 59\,000 \text{ ev.}$$

$$\text{K}^- \rightarrow \pi^0 e^- \nu \quad 33\,000 \text{ ev.}$$

$$\text{K}^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 \quad 468\,000 \text{ ev.}$$

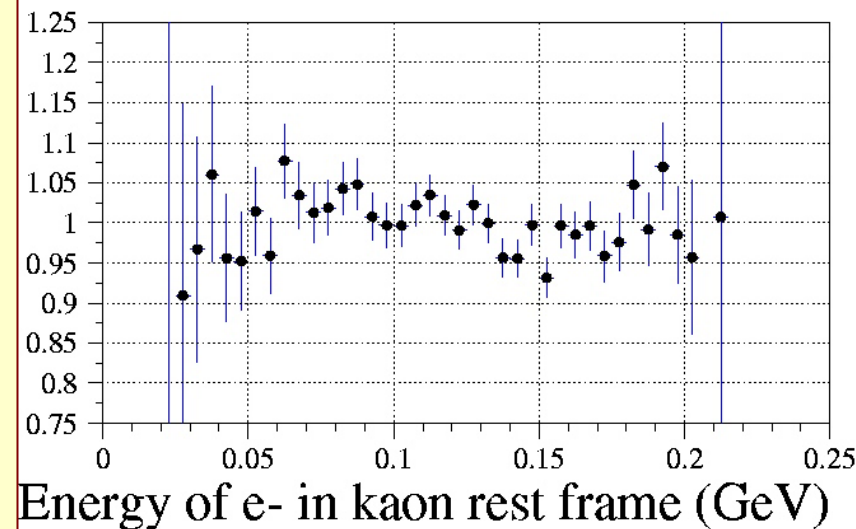
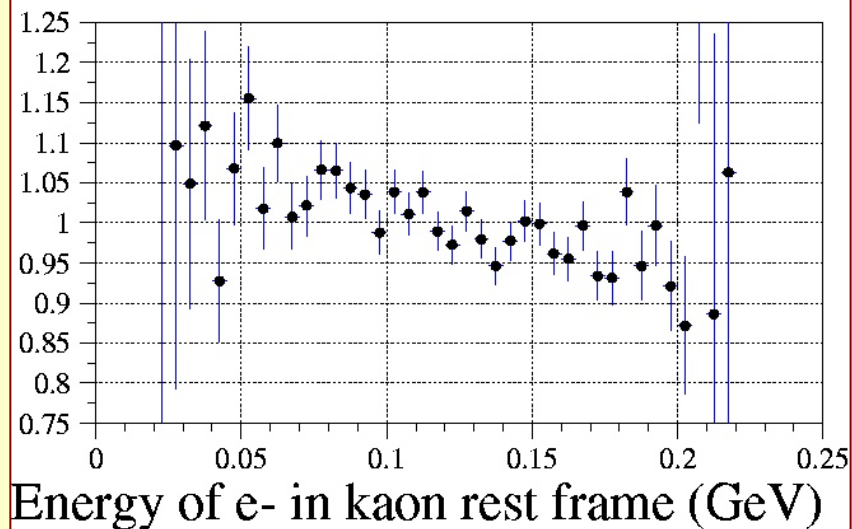
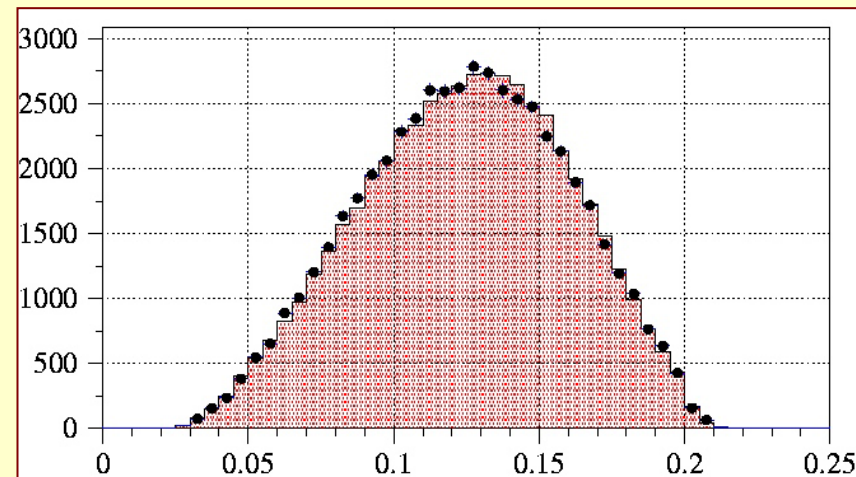
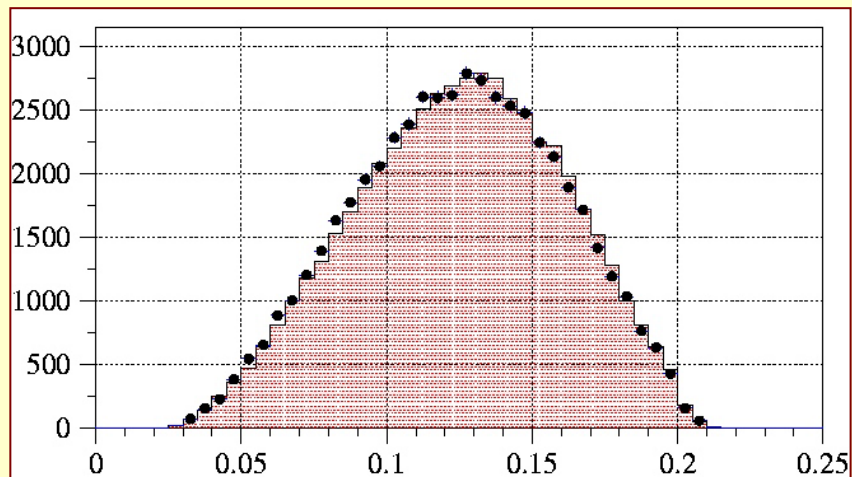
$$\text{K}^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^0 \quad 260\,000 \text{ ev.}$$

- ❖ Practically background free

- ❖ Systematic

- Main sources – Detector acceptance,  $\text{Br}(\text{K}^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0)$ , MC statistic

# Measurement of $\text{Br}(\text{K}^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm e\nu)$



Without radiative corrections

With radiative corrections

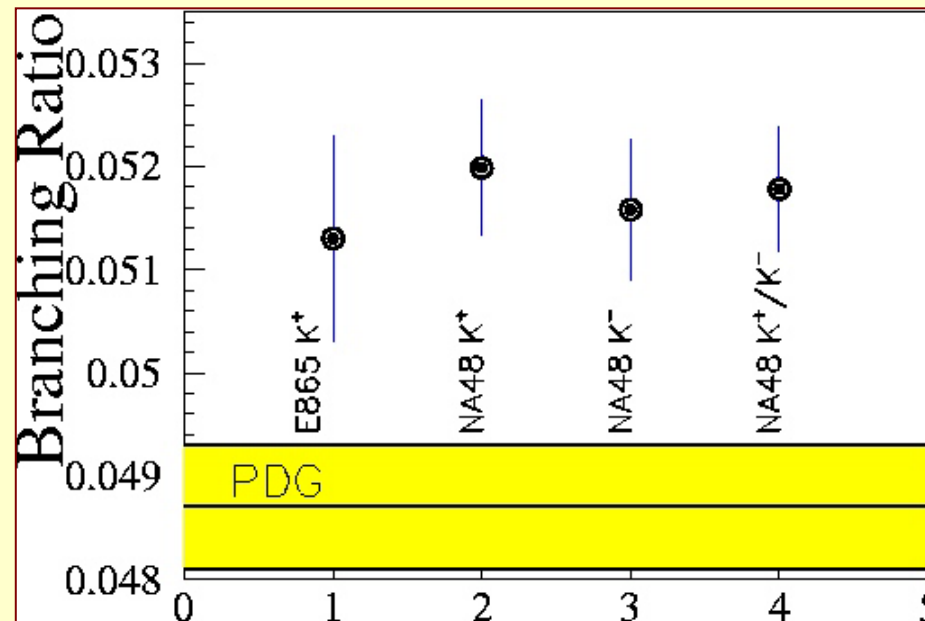
## Measurement of $\text{Br}(\text{K}^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 e^\pm \nu)$

Preliminary NA48/2 result on  $\text{Br}(\text{K}^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 e^\pm \nu)$

$$\text{Br}(\text{K}^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu) = (5.163 \pm 0.021_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.056_{\text{syst}}) \%$$

$$\text{Br}(\text{K}^- \rightarrow \pi^0 e^- \nu) = (5.093 \pm 0.028_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.056_{\text{syst}}) \%$$

$$\text{Br}(\text{K}^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 e^\pm \nu) = (5.14 \pm 0.02_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.06_{\text{syst}}) \%$$



## Determination of $V_{us}$

$|V_{us}|$  can be extracted from  $K \rightarrow \pi e \nu$  via

$$|V_{us}| \cdot f_+^{K\pi}(0) = \sqrt{\frac{128 \pi^3 \Gamma(Ke3(\gamma))}{C^2 G_F^2 M_K^5 S_{EW} I_K}}$$

Where:

$S_{EW} = 1.0232$  – short distance enhancement factor,  
 $I_K(f_+^{K\pi}(t))$  – phase space integral,  $C = \begin{cases} 1 & K_{e3}^0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & K_{e3}^+ \end{cases}$

We followed the prescription for  $V_{us}$  determination proposed in  
 V.Cirigliano, M. Knecht, H. Neufeld, H. Rupertsberger, P. Talavera,  
 In Eur.Phys.J. C23 p121, 2002

V.Cirigliano, H. Neufeld, H. Pichl, Eur.Phys.J. C35 p53, 2004

**Important** – to treat all experimental data in the same way!

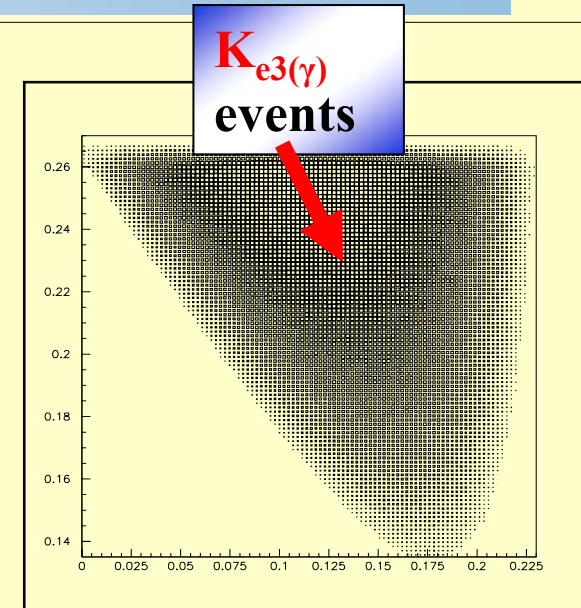
**Radiative corrections** (including virtual and real photons)! **A few %**

# Determination of $V_{us}$

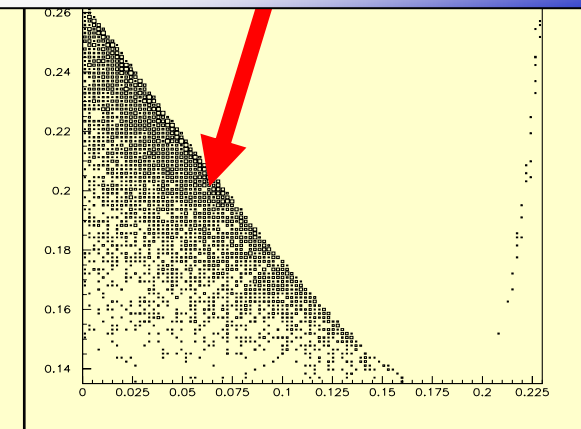
## Prescription

- Accept all photon energies
- Accept all angles between pion and positron
- Accept only pion and positron energies within the original 3-body Dalitz plot.
- Inclusive rate obtained by integrating over the original domain

For calculation of  $I_K(f_+)$  we used linear parameterization of  $f_+(t)$  with corresponding PDG values for  $\lambda_+$



$K_{e3\gamma}$  events (excluded for the  $V_{us}$  extraction)



## Determination of $V_{us}$

### Calculation of $f_+^{K\pi}(0)$

**Calculation using  $\chi$ PT with virtual photons and leptons**

- **Isospin breaking by the quark masses up to  $O((m_u - m_d)p^2)$**
- **Isospin conserving contribution from SU(3) breaking  $O(p^6)$**
- **Electromagnetic effects up to  $O(e^2 p^2)$**
- **To extract  $V_{us}$  we used the following values**

$$f_+^{K^0\pi^+}(0) = 0.981 \pm 0.010$$

$$f_+^{K^+\pi^0}(0) = 1.002 \pm 0.010$$

**The main uncertainty ( $\sim 1\%$ ) comes from  $O(p^6)$  contribution**

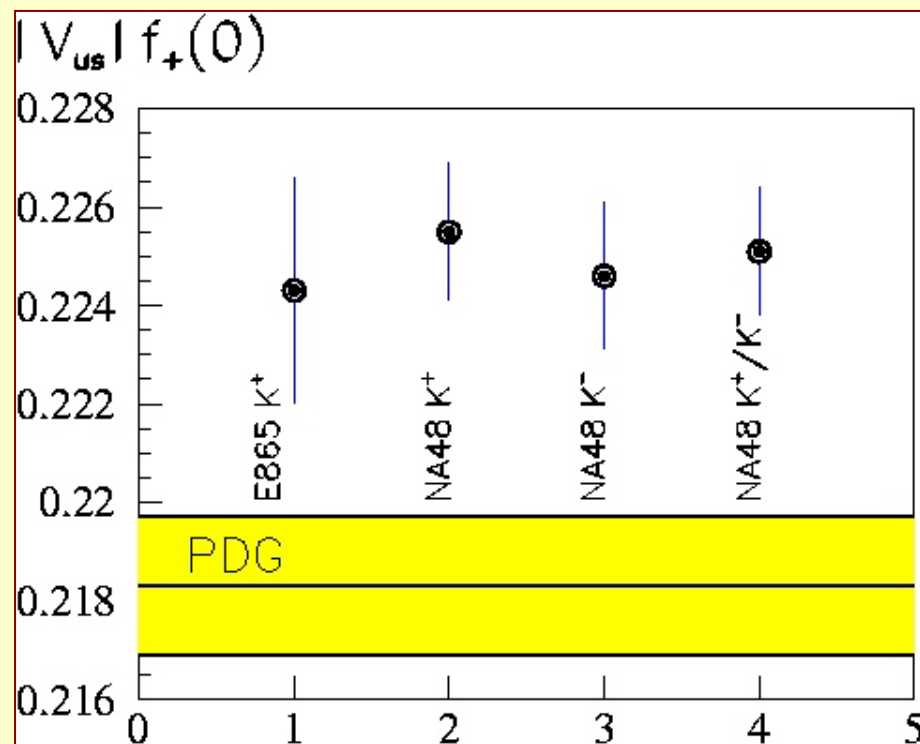
## Determination of $V_{us}f_+(0)$

$$|V_{us}| \cdot f_+^{K^0\pi^+}(0) = 0.2146 \pm 0.0016$$

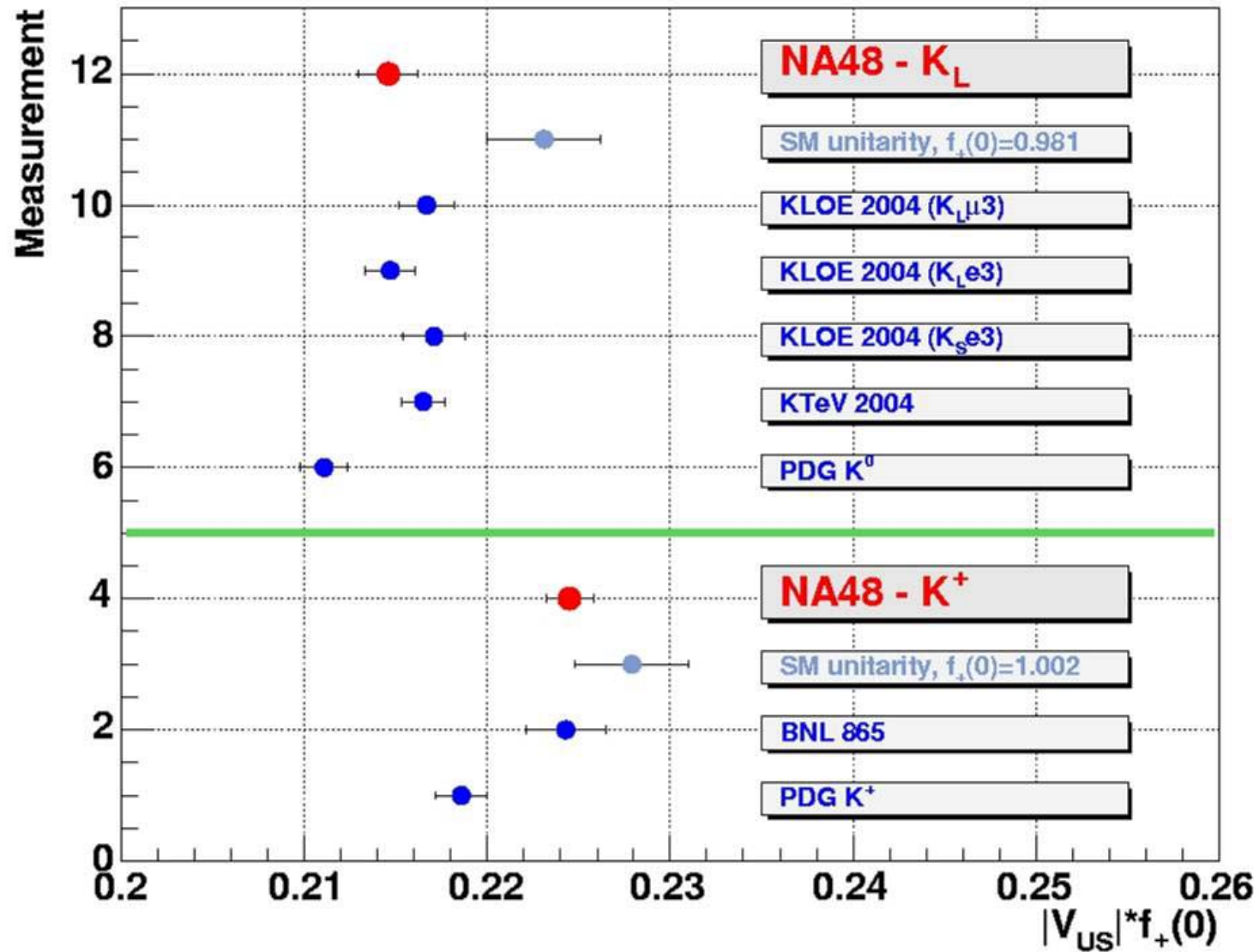
$$|V_{us}| \cdot f_+^{K^+\pi^0}(0) = 0.2250 \pm 0.0013$$

$$|V_{us}| \cdot f_+^{K^-\pi^0}(0) = 0.2235 \pm 0.0014$$

$$|V_{us}| \cdot f_+^{K^\pm\pi^0}(0) = 0.2245 \pm 0.0013$$



# Determination of $V_{us}f_+(0)$





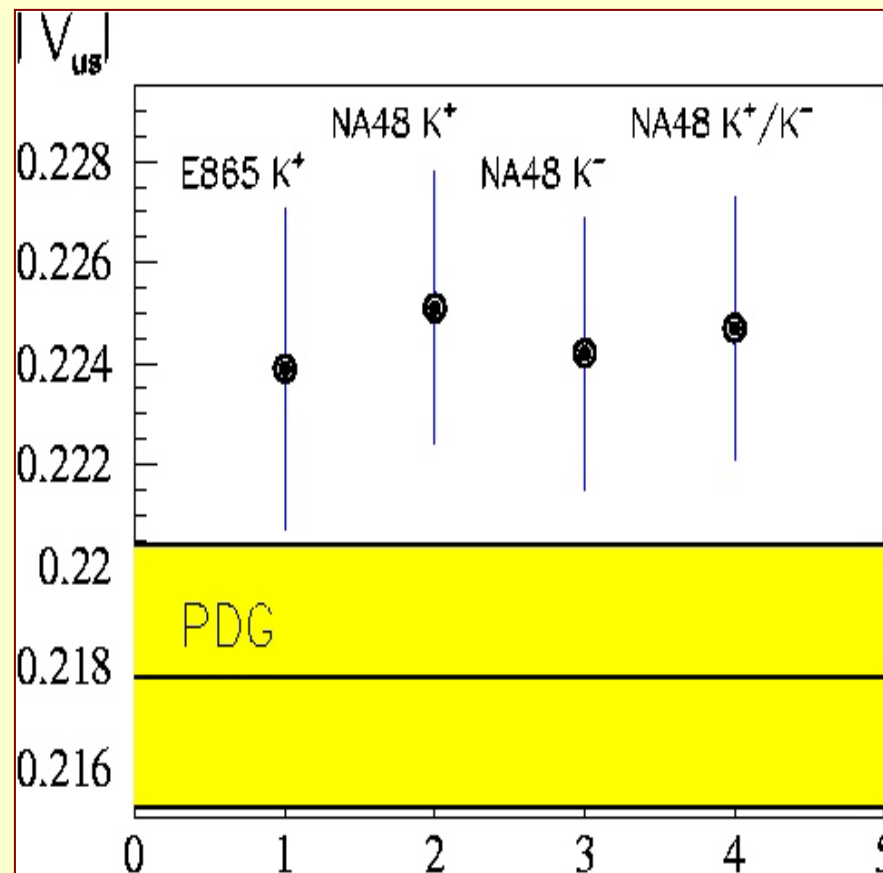
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$$|V_{us}|^{K^0\pi^+}(0) = 0.2187 \pm 0.0016_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0023_{\text{theor}}$$

$$|V_{us}|^{K^+\pi^0}(0) = 0.2246 \pm 0.0013_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0023_{\text{theor}}$$

$$|V_{us}|^{K^-\pi^0}(0) = 0.2231 \pm 0.0014_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0023_{\text{theor}}$$

$$|V_{us}|^{K^\pm\pi^0}(0) = 0.2241 \pm 0.0013_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.0023_{\text{theor}}$$



**Uncertainty in  $V_{us}$  is dominated by the theory!**

# Determination of $V_{us}$

## Conclusions

### Experimental determination of $V_{us}$ from

- ❖  $K^\pm$ 
  - in disagreement with old measurements (PDG)
  - in agreement with BNL result and SM prediction
- ❖  $K_L^0$ 
  - in disagreement with old measurements (PDG)
  - In agreement with new KTeV and KLOE measurements
  - Still in disagreement with SM prediction  $\sim 2.5 \sigma$
- ❖ Main uncertainty comes from theoretical calculations of  $f_+(0)$ 
  - More accurate calculation of  $O(p6)$  contribution required

## New NA48 results

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Other results

# Ke3 form factors

❖  $K_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu$  form factors - the same 1999 data

- 5.6 million reconstructed events
- Result for pure vector interaction

$$\lambda_+ = 0.0288 \pm 0.0005_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0011_{\text{syst}}$$

- Preliminary result for 3-parameter fit:

$$\lambda_+ = 0.0284 \pm 0.0007 \pm 0.0013$$

$$\left| \frac{f_S}{f_+(0)} \right| = 0.015^{+0.007}_{-0.010} \pm 0.0012$$

$$\left| \frac{f_T}{f_+(0)} \right| = 0.05^{+0.03}_{-0.04} \pm 0.03$$

PDG(2004):

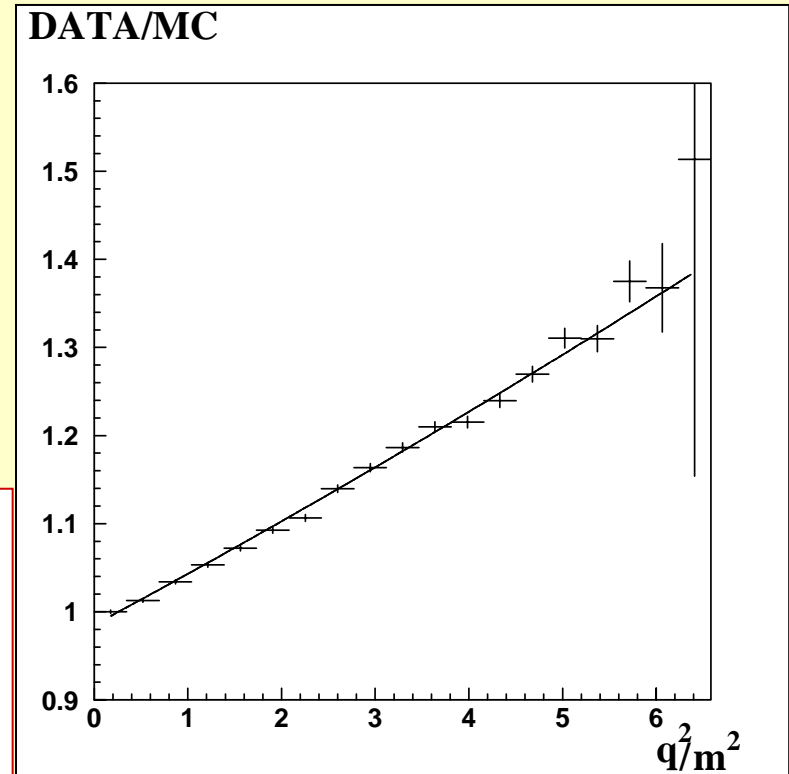
$$\lambda_+ = 0.0291 \pm 0.0018$$

$$\left| \frac{f_S}{f_+(0)} \right| < 0.04$$

$$\left| \frac{f_T}{f_+(0)} \right| < 0.23$$

Leandar Litov

Precise test of CKM unitarity



❖ No evidence for scalar and tensor couplings!

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# $K^0_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu \gamma$

## ❖ Data analysis

➤ Tight selection in order to suppress background from

$K_{3\pi}$ ,  $K_{e4}$  and

$K_{e3}$  + accidental photon

➤ Selected events:

19000 :  $K_{e3\gamma}$

5.6 million :  $K_{e3}$

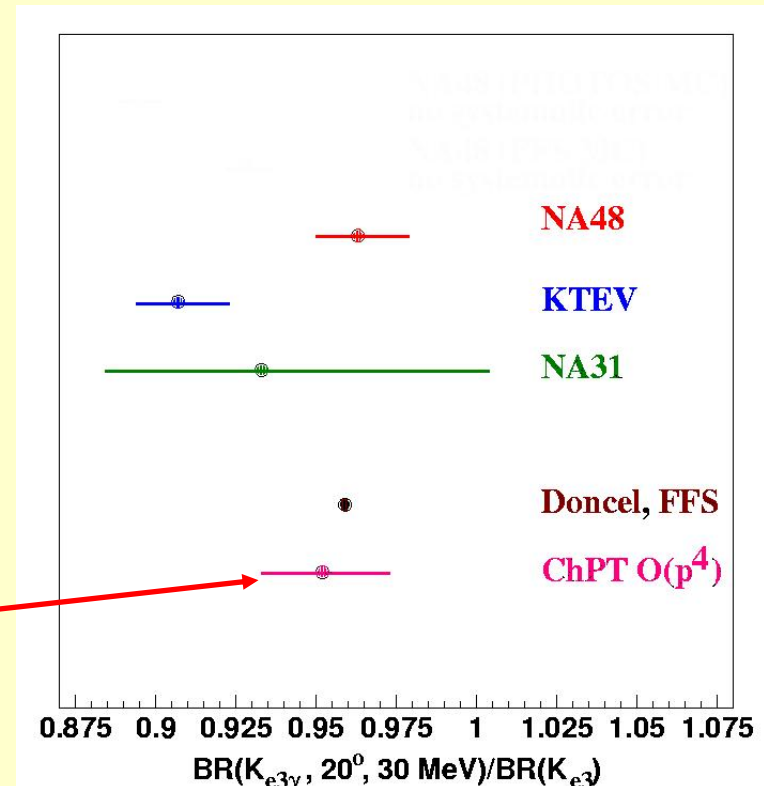
**Gasser et al.**

**Result:**

$$\frac{\Gamma(K_{e3\gamma}, E_\gamma^* > 30 \text{ MeV}, \theta_{e\gamma}^* > 20^\circ)}{\Gamma(K_{e3})} = (0.964 \pm 0.008^{+0.012}_{-0.011})\%$$

❖ **Good agreement with theory predictions!**

Precise test of CKM unitarity



## Conclusions

- ❖ PDG values on  $|V_{us}|$  are in poor agreement with unitarity of the CKM matrix
- ❖ NA48 has performed  $|V_{us}|$  measurements in  $K_L^0 e3$  and  $K^\pm e3$  decays
- ❖  $K_L$  and  $K^\pm$  results are
  - in disagreement with previous PDG values
  - in good agreement with recent results from KTeV and BNL
  - in fair agreement with SM predictions (better for  $K^\pm$ , worse for  $K_L$ )
  - different values from  $K^\pm$  and  $K_L$  ?!
- ❖ More precise values for  $f_+(0)$  are needed to solve the unitarity dilemma
- ❖ Semileptonic  $K_L$  decays
  - $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi e \nu$  form factors
  - Branching fraction for the radiative decay  $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi e \nu \gamma$