

CP Violation Results From the NA48 Experiments

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 - Measure the BR of the rare decay $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$
 - Testing μ -e universality with $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \ell^{\pm} \nu$ decays
- Conclusions

Data taking periods

NA48 (1997-2001)

→ Direct CP violation in neutral kaon decays

$$\text{Re}(\varepsilon'/\varepsilon) = (14.7 \pm 2.2) \times 10^{-4}$$

→ Measurement of CP violation parameter $|\eta_{+-}|$

New result

NA48/1 (2002)

→ Rare K_S decays

$$\text{BR}(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-) = (5.8^{+2.8}_{-2.3} \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\text{BR}(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-) = (2.8^{+1.5}_{-1.2} \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-9}$$

NA48/2 (2003-2004)

→ Search for direct CP violation in $K^\pm \rightarrow 3\pi$ decays

Final result

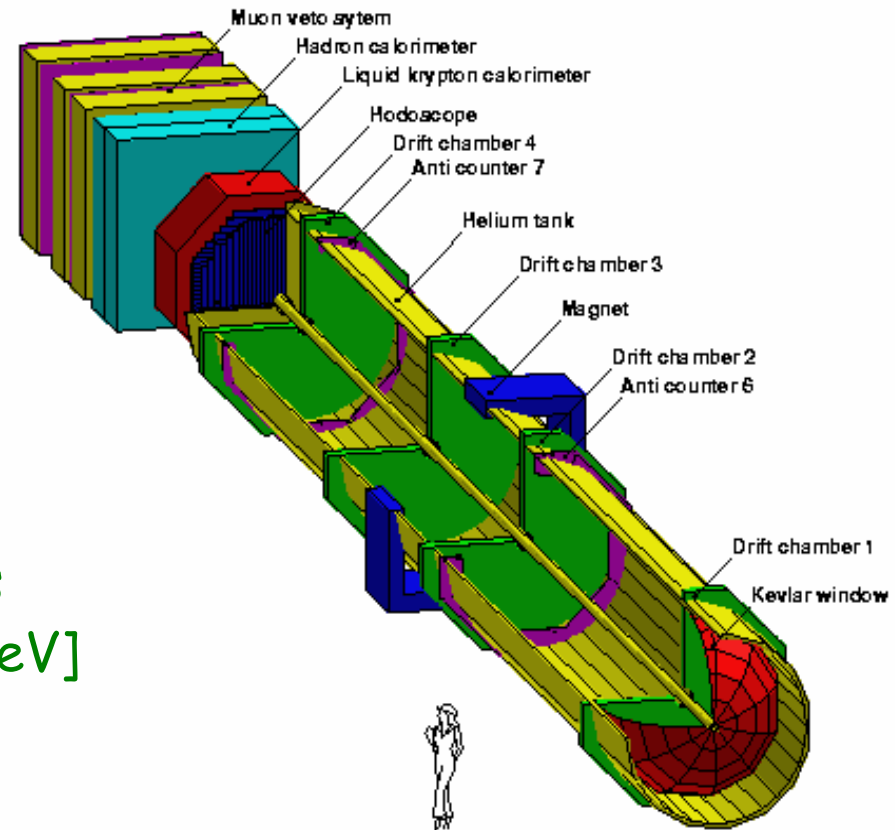
and many other rare decay results!

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

The NA48 detector

Main detector components:

- ❖ Magnetic spectrometer (4 DCHs):
4 views: redundancy \Rightarrow efficiency
 $\sigma(p)/p = 1.0\% + 0.044\% p$ [GeV/c]
- ❖ Hodoscope: fast trigger and precise time measurement (150ps)
- ❖ Liquid Krypton e.m. calorimeter:
High granularity, quasi-homogeneous
 $\sigma(E)/E = 3.2\%/ \sqrt{E} + 9\%/E + 0.42\%$ [GeV]
- ❖ Hadron calorimeter, photon vetos, muon veto counters



CP violation parameter $|\eta^{+-}|$
NA48

CP violation parameter η_{+-}

The parameter η_{+-} \longrightarrow fundamental observable of CP violation defined as the ratio of K_L to K_S CPV decay amplitudes

related to indirect and direct CPV parameters

$$\eta_{+-} = \varepsilon + \varepsilon'$$

$$\eta_{+-} = \frac{A(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{A(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}$$

How we determine $|\eta_{+-}|$

✓ Measure the ratio of the decay rates $\longrightarrow \frac{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu)}$

✓ Compute $\longrightarrow BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) = \frac{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu)} BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu)$

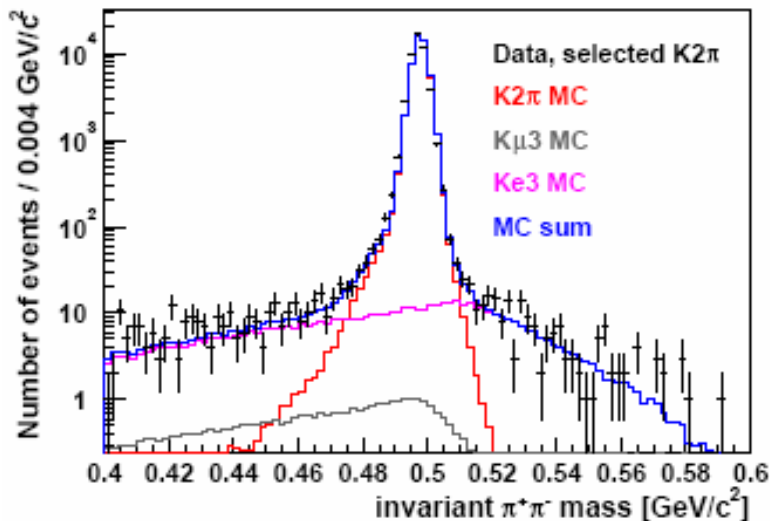
✓ Extract $|\eta_{+-}|$ $\longrightarrow |\eta_{+-}| = \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}} = \sqrt{\frac{BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) \cdot \tau_{KS}}{BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) \cdot \tau_{KL}}}$

$\Gamma(K2\pi)/\Gamma(Ke3)$: event selection

Data sample: special run with **pure K_L beam**, low intensity
two days in 1999, **~ 80 million events** collected

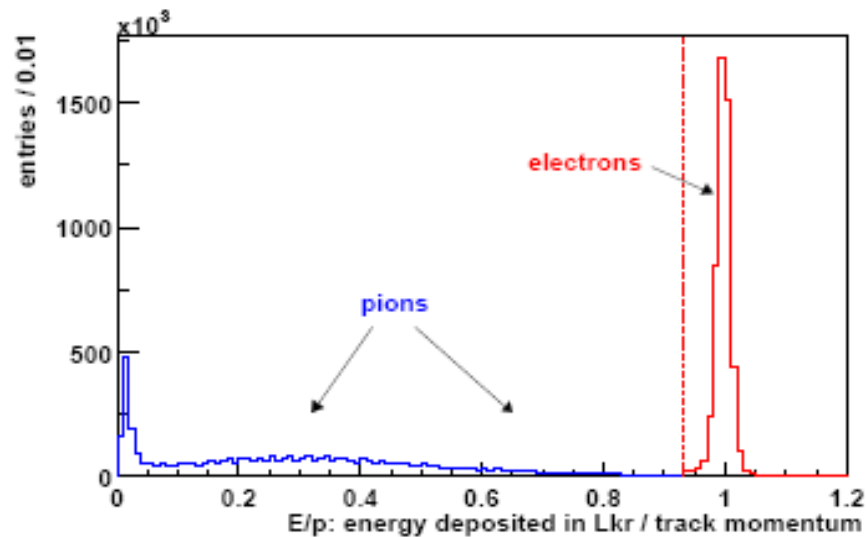
$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$$

- dominant background (K_{e3} , $K_{\mu3}$, $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$) need to be suppressed by 4-5 order of magnitude
- data well described by MC
- about **47000 $\pi^+ \pi^-$ events** selected



$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu$$

- select K_{e3} decays via the ratio E/p (energy in electromagnetic calorimeter over track momentum)
- about **5 million K_{e3} events** selected with small background



Results

$$\frac{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu)} = (4.835 \pm 0.022_{stat} \pm 0.016_{syst}) \times 10^{-3}$$
$$= (4.835 \pm 0.027) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) = \frac{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu)} \cdot BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu)$$
$$= (1.941 \pm 0.019) \times 10^{-3}$$

$\pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ in data sample

- ✓ (IB) included
- ✓ (DE) subtracted (mostly CPC)
- ✓ used NA48 updated result for $BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi e \nu)$

Phys.Lett.B 602:41-51,2004

$$|\eta_{+-}| = \sqrt{\frac{BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)} \cdot \frac{\tau_{KS}}{\tau_{KL}}} = (2.223 \pm 0.012) \times 10^{-3}$$

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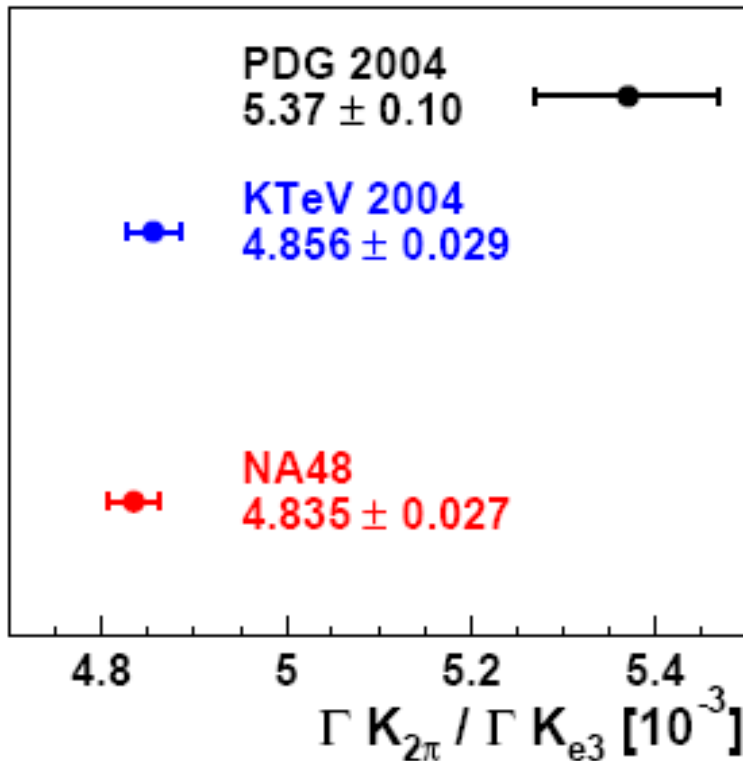
most precise measurements

- ✓ $\tau_{KS} \rightarrow$ NA48
- ✓ $\tau_{KL} \rightarrow$ KLOE
- ✓ $BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) \rightarrow$ KLOE

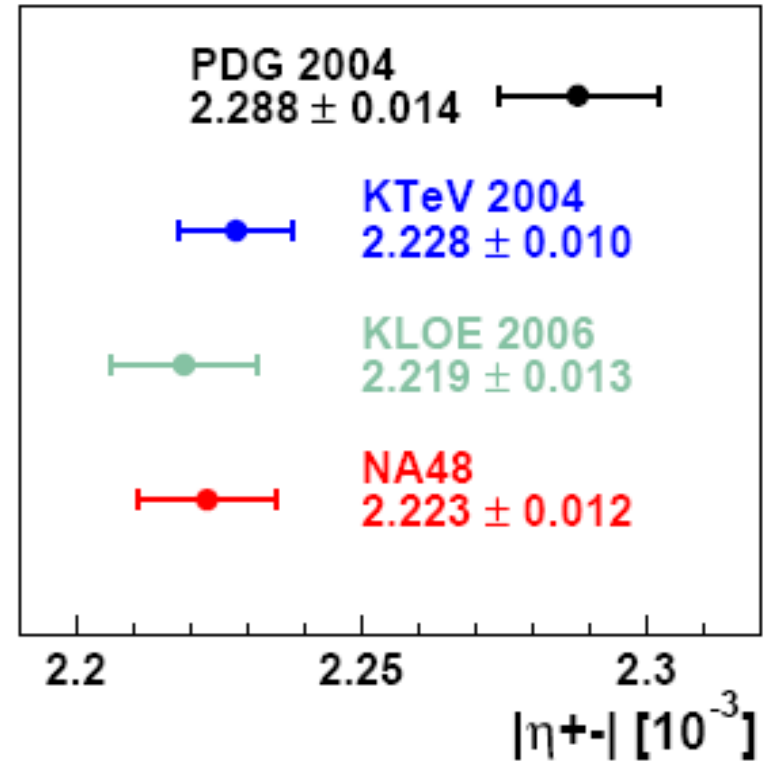
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Comparison of results

$\Gamma(K_{2\pi})/\Gamma(K_{e3})$



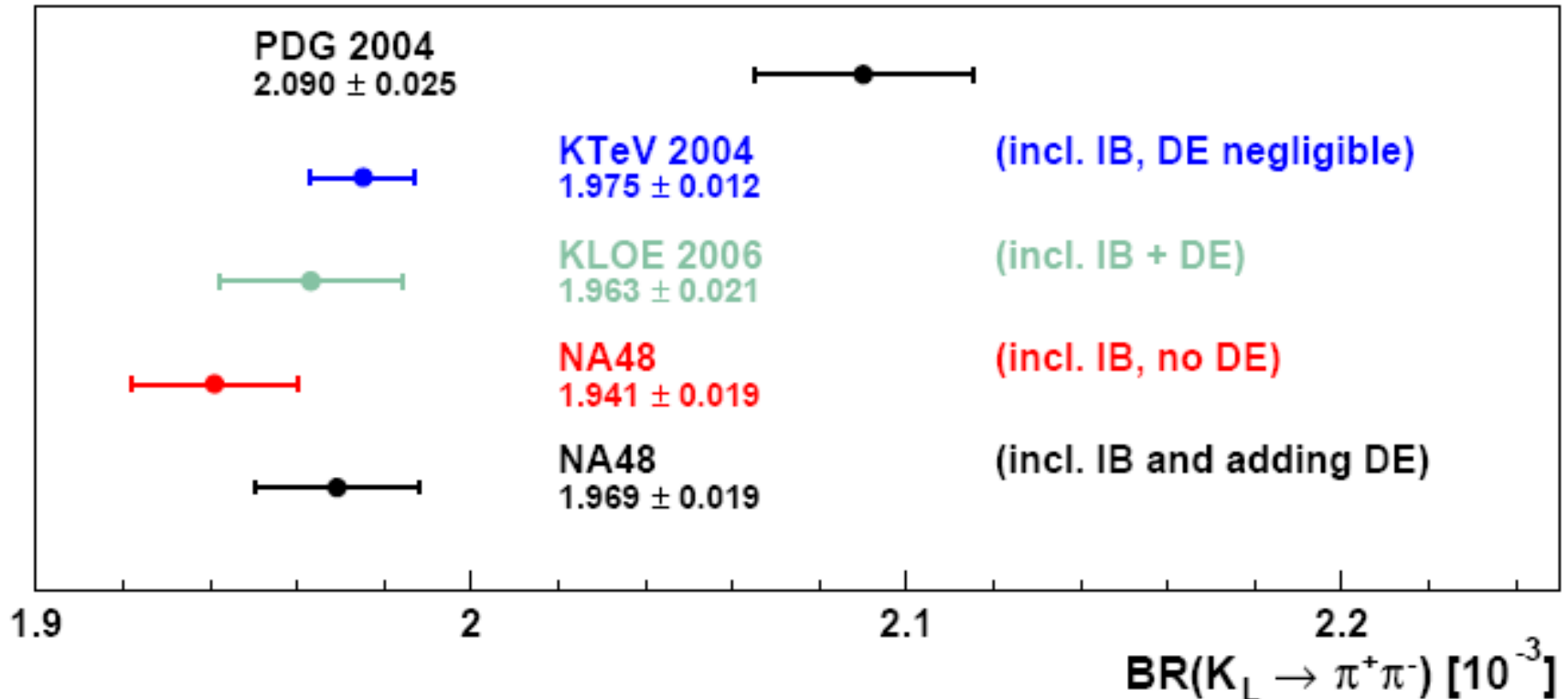
$|\eta_{+-}|$



Good agreement with results from KTeV and KLOE
Experiments contradict PDG 2004

Comparison of results

$$BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)$$



For comparison it is important to point out the treatment of radiative decays (IB and DE)

CP violation in $K^{\pm} \rightarrow 3\pi$ decays
NA48/2

CP violation in $K^\pm \rightarrow 3\pi$ decays

Look for **direct** CP violation in **K^\pm** decays

(only direct CPV in K^\pm possible - **no mixing**)

Complementary CP observables in Kaons:

neutral $\rightarrow \varepsilon'$ and $\varepsilon \leftrightarrow$ **charged** \rightarrow **slope asymmetries**

Large statistics

$$\text{BR}(K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-) = 5.57\%$$

$$\text{BR}(K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0) = 1.73\%$$

Kinematics:

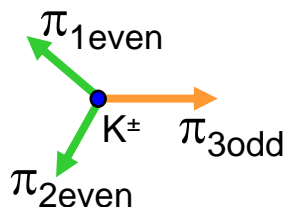
$$u = (s_3 - s_0) / m_\pi^2$$

$$v = (s_2 - s_1) / m_\pi^2$$

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

(3=odd π)

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



Matrix element as a function of the Dalitz variables u, v

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

Linear slope g dominates over quadratic terms h and k
 $|h|, |k| \sim 10^{-2} \ll |g|$

Direct CP violation observable A_g

$$A_g \equiv \frac{g_+ - g_-}{g_+ + g_-} = \frac{\Delta g}{2g}$$

$g_+ \rightarrow K^+$ decays
 $g_- \rightarrow K^-$ decays

1. Measure Δg
2. Use known value of g
3. Extract A_g

$$K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^+ \pi^- \quad g = (-21.134 \pm 0.017)\%$$
$$h = (1.848 \pm 0.040)\%$$
$$k = (-0.463 \pm 0.014)\%$$

hep-ex/0702045, accepted by PLB

NA48/2 final
results for slopes

- Agreement with PDG
- Factor 10 smaller uncertainties
- First evidence of $h \neq 0$



$$K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^0 \pi^0 \quad g = (62.6 \pm 0.7)\%$$

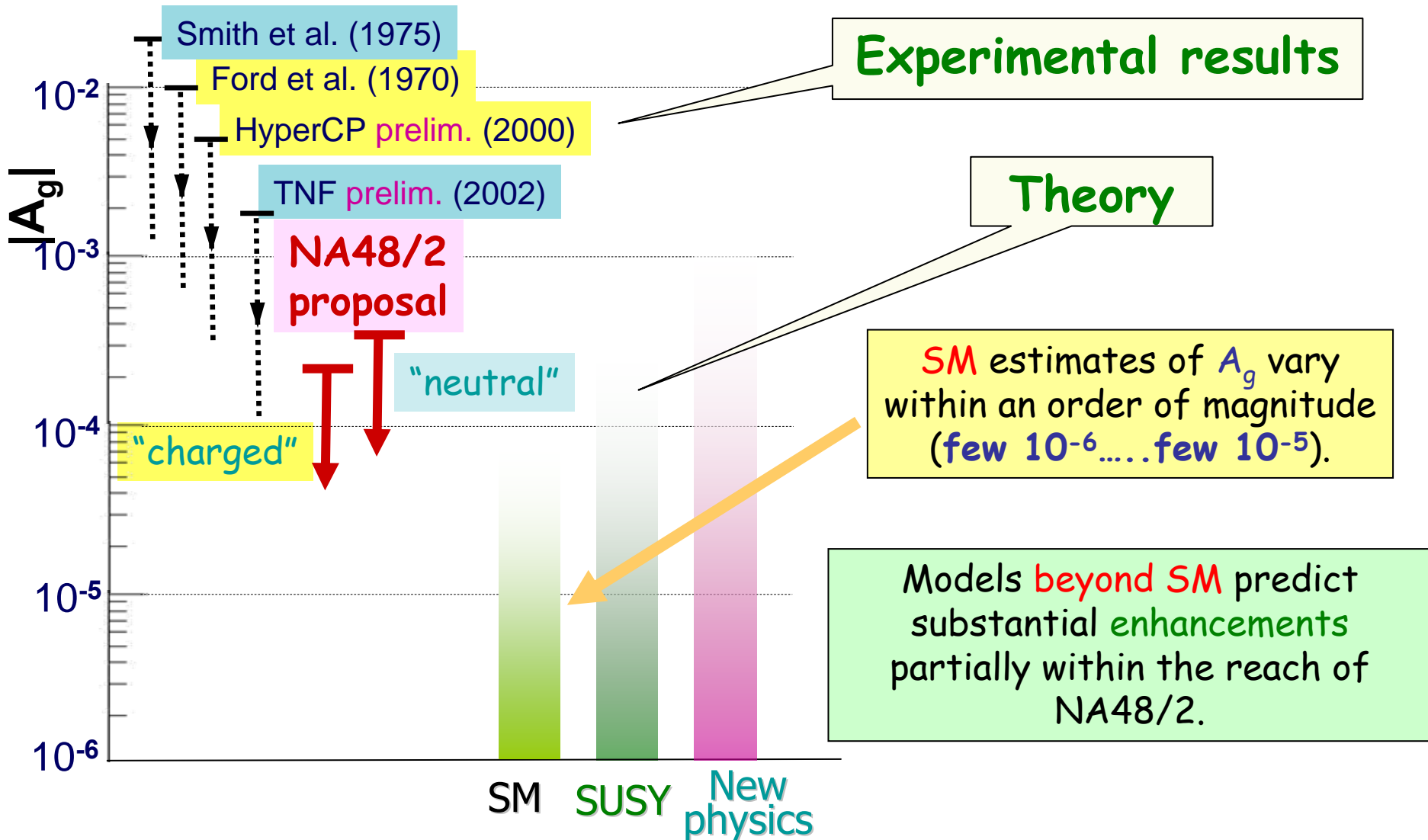
PDG value

$$A_g \neq 0$$



Direct CP violation

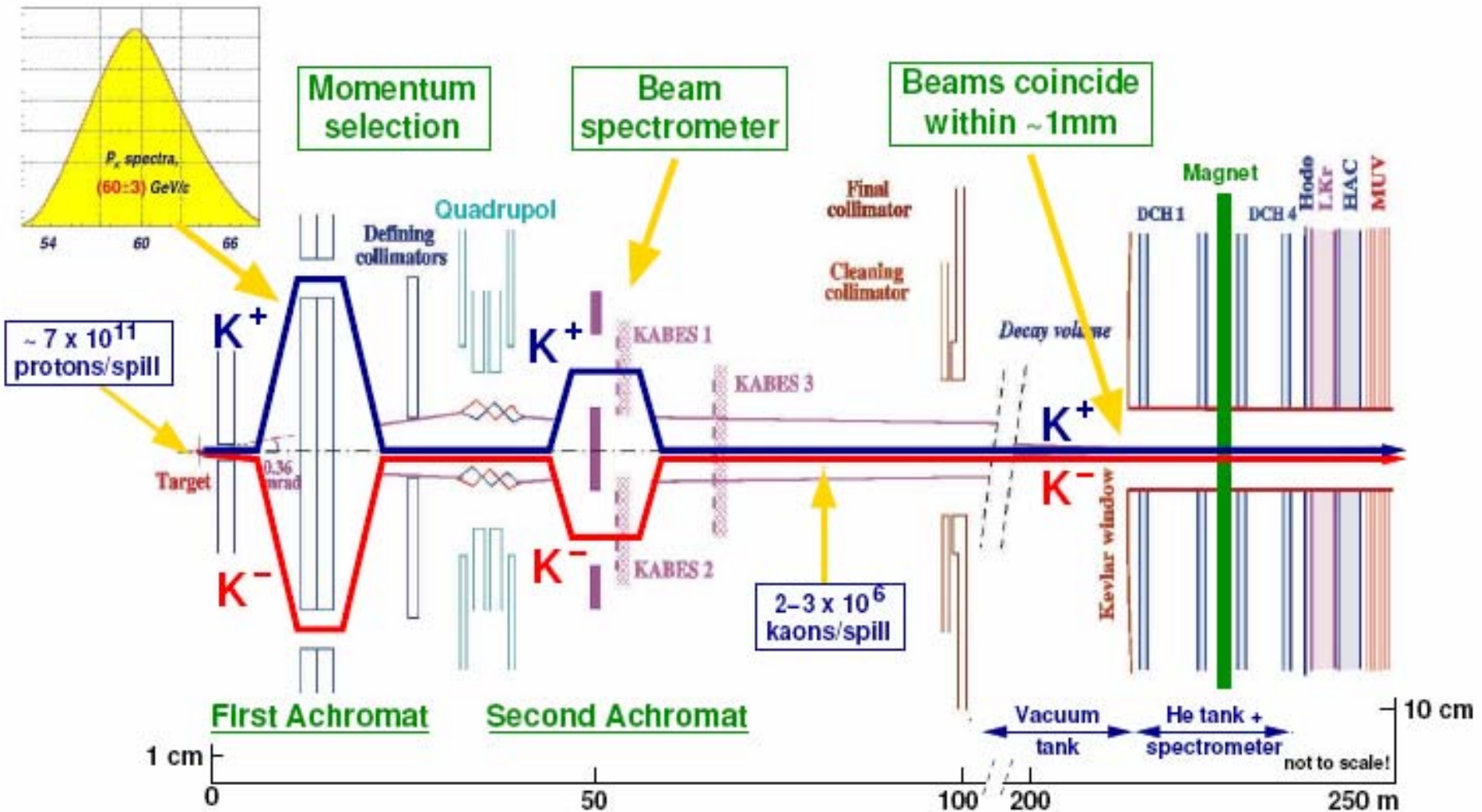
Status before NA48/2



Goal and method

- **Primary NA48/2 goal:**
 - Measure slope asymmetries in "charged" and "neutral" modes with high accuracy (few 10^{-4}).
- **NA48/2 method:**
 - Two simultaneous K^+ and K^- beams, superimposed in space, with narrow momentum spectra;
 - Detect asymmetry exclusively considering slopes of ratios of normalized u distributions;
 - Equalise averaged K^+ and K^- acceptances by frequently alternating the polarities of the relevant magnets.

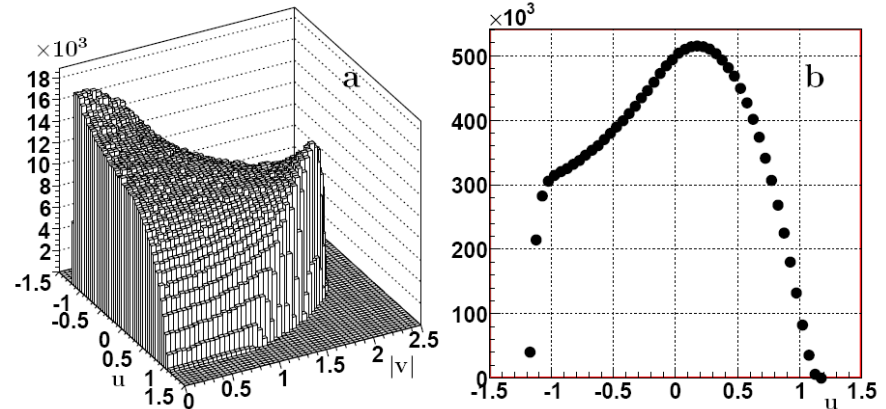
The K^+/K^- simultaneous beam setup



Method to extract A_g

- Build u projections of the Dalitz plot for K^+ and K^- : $N^+(u), N^-(u)$
- Make the ratio of these two distributions: $R(u)$
- Fit a function to this ratio to extract Δg
(This holds only if the acceptance for K^+ and K^- is the same)

$$R(u) = \frac{N^+(u)}{N^-(u)} \approx 1 + \frac{\Delta g \cdot u}{1 + gu + hu^2}$$



❗**BUT!** There are experimental asymmetries that **do not cancel** in the simple ratio $R(u)$

To **cancel** the charge asymmetry in the detector and beam optics

- ➔ **Beam line** (achromat) polarity (A) is reversed on **weekly** basis
- ➔ **Spectrometer magnet** polarity (B) is reversed on **few hours** basis

Acceptance cancellation

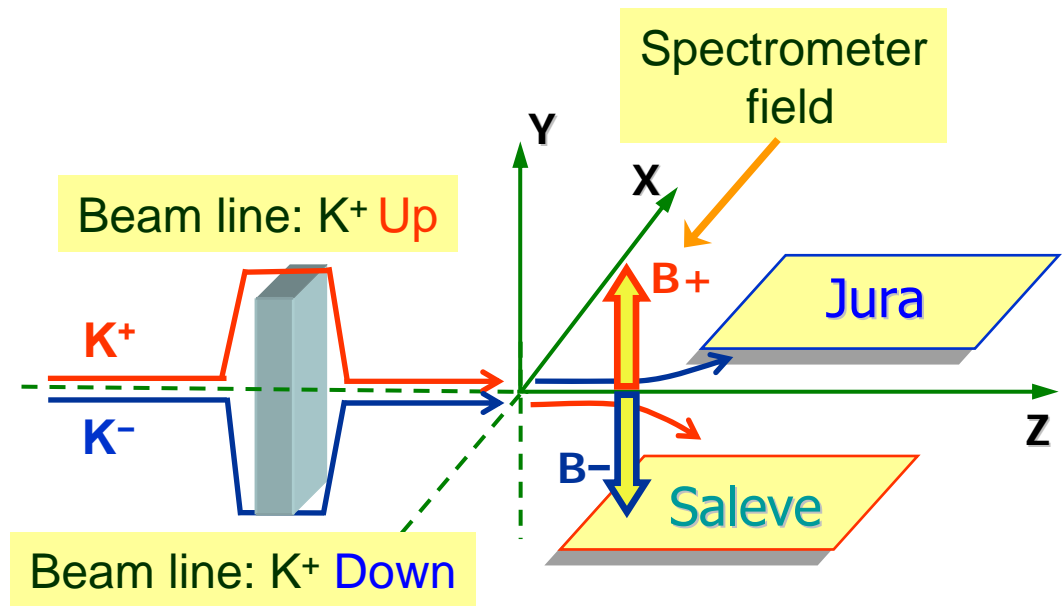
Detector **left/right** asymmetry cancels in **4 ratios** of K^+/K^- distributions defined for the four possible combinations of the magnetic fields:

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

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

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

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



Indexes correspond to: beamline polarity (U/D)
 left/right direction of kaon deviation in spectrometer (S/J)
K samples in numerator and denominator **illuminate the same parts of the detector**

Quadruple ratio

Use a quadruple ratio for cancellation of systematic biases

$$R_4 = R_{US}R_{UJ}R_{DS}R_{DJ} \sim 1 + 4 \cdot \Delta g \cdot u$$

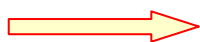
Extract Δg by fitting the quadrupole ratio

- 1) **Global time-variable** biases (K^+, K^- simultaneously recorded)
- 2) **Beam line** biases (K^+ beam up / K^- beam up etc.)
- 3) **Detector asymmetries** (K^+ toward Saleve / K^- toward Saleve etc.)
- 4) **Effects of permanent stray fields** (earth, vacuum tank magnetisation) cancel

The result is sensitive **only** to **time variation** of **asymmetries** in the experimental conditions with a characteristic time smaller than the corresponding field alternation period (beam-week, detector-day)

Final results 2003+2004

Data samples



Data taking: 2003 + 2004
Effective days: ~ 50 + ~ 60
Amount of data recorded: ~ $16 \cdot 10^9$ triggers ~200 TB

Charged mode (3.11×10^9 selected $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^+ \pi^-$)

$$A_g = (-1.5 \pm 1.5_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.9_{\text{trig}} \pm 1.1_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4} = (-1.5 \pm 2.1) \times 10^{-4}$$

Neutral mode (9.13×10^7 selected $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^0 \pi^0$)

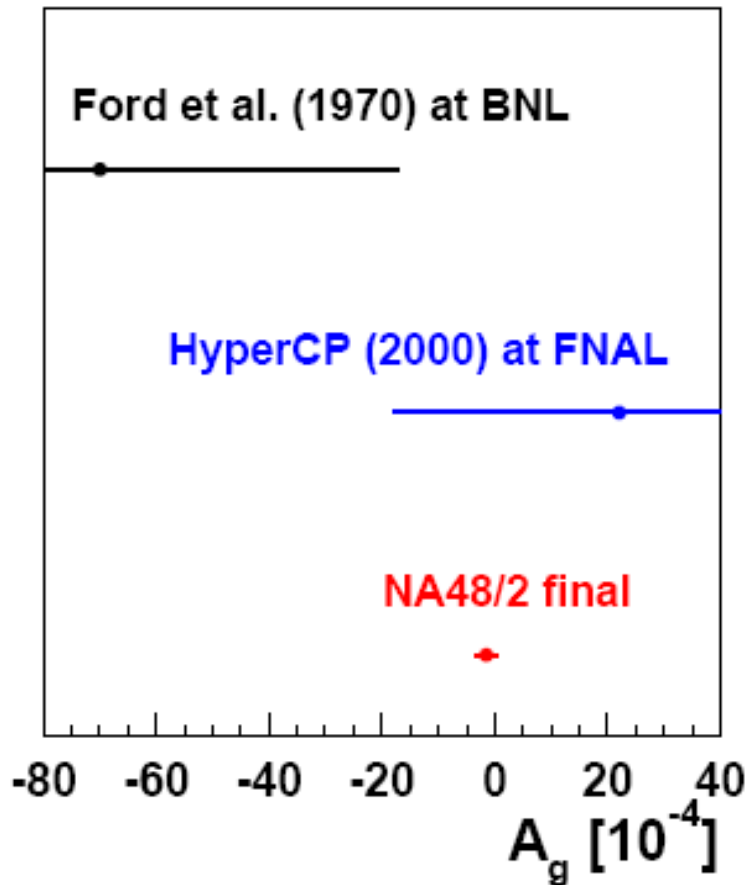
$$A_g = (1.8 \pm 1.7_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.9_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4} = (1.8 \pm 1.8) \times 10^{-4}$$

- ✓ Charged and neutral results are consistent
- ✓ Statistical error dominates in both cases
- ✓ 10 times more precise than previous experiments
- ✓ Design goal reached
- ✓ Results compatible with SM predictions

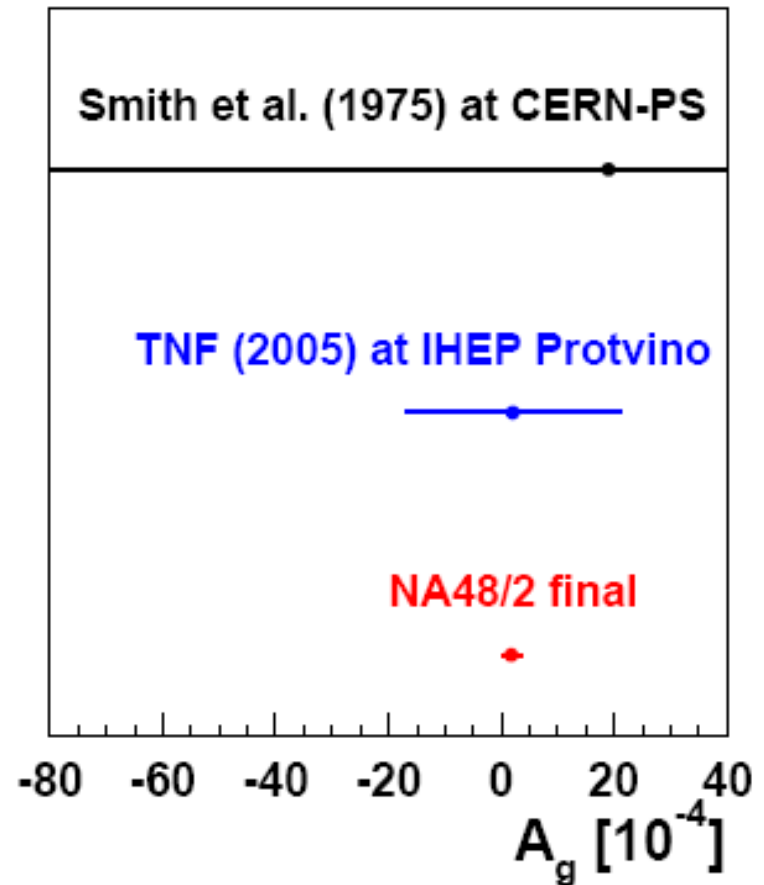
No evidence for direct CP violation at the order of 10^{-4}

Comparison of results

Charged mode



Neutral mode



Future and present

- Measure the BR of the rare decay $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$
- Testing μ -e universality with $K^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu$ decays

NA48/3

P326/NA62 - Physics motivations

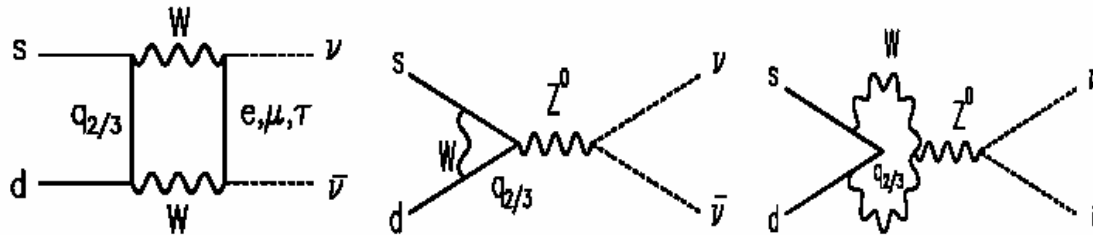


$K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ decays



golden modes to test SM and the mixing of quarks (CKM unitarity)

- ❖ FCNC loop processes, sensitive to V_{td}



- ❖ Very clean theoretically: short distance contributions dominate, hadronic matrix element can be related to measured quantities.

- ❖ SM predictions (uncertainties from CKM elements):

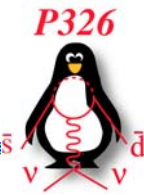
- ❖ $BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) \approx (1.6 \times 10^{-5}) |V_{cb}|^4 [\sigma \eta^2 + (\rho_c - \rho)^2] \rightarrow (8.0 \pm 1.1) \times 10^{-11}$
- ❖ $BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) \approx (7.6 \times 10^{-5}) |V_{cb}|^4 \eta^2 \rightarrow (3.0 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-11}$

- ❖ Existing measurement $BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$

(BNL E787/949) $(1.47^{+1.30}_{-0.89}) \times 10^{-10}$ (3 events)

- ❖ Sensitive to New Physics: clean probe up to $\Lambda \sim 100$ TeV scale

P326/NA62 - proposed experiment



P326/NA62 experiment

Measurement of the $\text{Br}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu)$ with $\sim 10\%$ accuracy

+ other physics opportunities

Expected events:

- Signal events per year @ $\text{BR} = 8 \cdot 10^{-11} \sim 65$
- Background events ~ 9
- Signal/Background ~ 8
 $\sim 10^{-12}$ sensitivity per event

General design:

Mostly defined. Overall simulation and performances under review.

R&D program:

Well advanced. Construction of detector prototypes and test in progress.

Important results by the end of 2007.

[CERN-SPSC-P-326, 11/06/2005]



Schedule:

2005: proposal presented at CERN SPSC

2005: R&D endorsed by CERN RB

2006: Start of test beams

2007: prototypes construction test

2008 - 2010: Technical design and construction

2011: Start of data taking

Ke2/Kμ2 - Physics motivations

Original motivation:

The measurement of $R_K = \Gamma(K_{e2})/\Gamma(K_{\mu2})$ ratio is a test of SM Lepton Universality and V-A coupling

NA48/2 preliminary results

2003 data, presented in 2005

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

2004 data presented at KAON07

$$R_K = (2.455 \pm 0.045 \pm 0.041) \times 10^{-5}$$

New motivation:

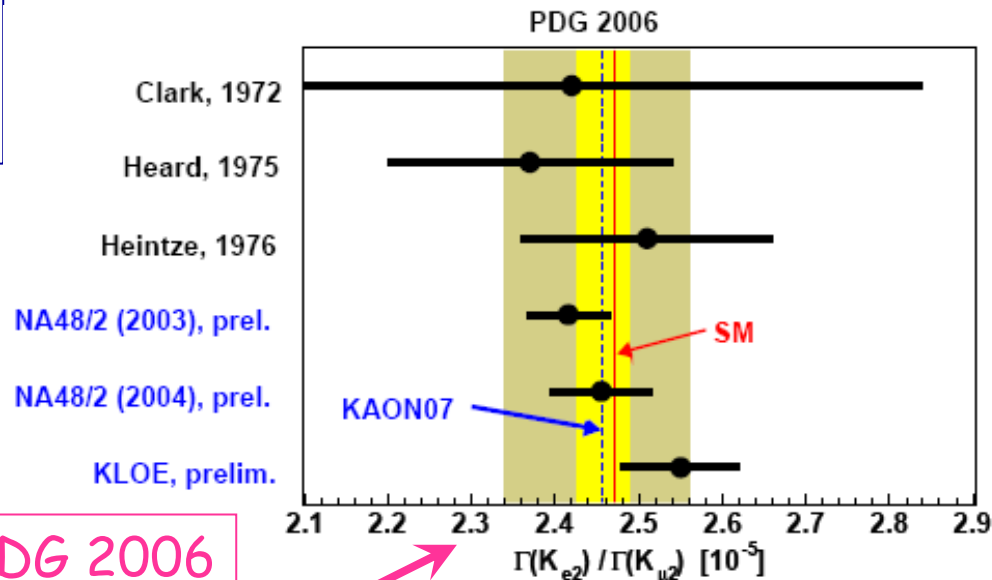
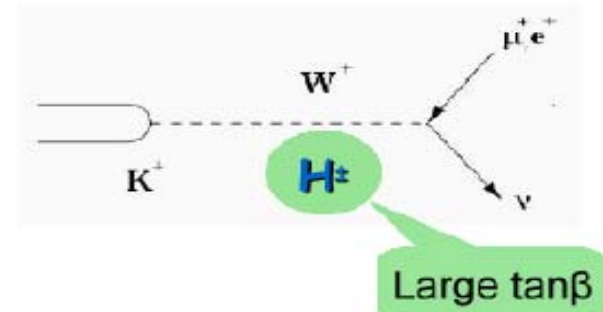
SUSY LFV could shift R_K by a relative amount of 2-3% with parameters $\tan\beta \sim 50$ e $M_{H^\pm} \sim 500 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

A. Masiero et.al., Phys.Rev.D74:011701,2006

Combine all preliminary results + PDG 2006

$$R_K = (2.457 \pm 0.032) \times 10^{-5}$$

R. Wanke for the Flavianet WG @KAON07



Huge improvement!

Ke2/Kμ2 - present experiment

P326/NA62 is performing a dedicated run to measure R_K

4 months of data taking (June-October)
Collect 100K-150K Ke2 decays

- same set-up as for NA48/2
- beam parameters optimized wrt 2004
 - improved kinematic separation of Ke2
- simple minimum bias trigger
- systematics under control
- background to Ke2
 - $p_{\text{track}} < 35 \text{ GeV}$ kinematic separation
 - $p_{\text{track}} > 35 \text{ GeV}$ electron identification

Overall expected precision $\sim \pm 0.3\%$  Sensitivity to LFV in SUSY

Conclusions

The NA48 experiments have produced important results providing fundamental contributions in the field of CP Violation both in neutral and in charged kaon systems

Presented at this conference:

- The measurement of the CP parameter $|\eta_{+-}|$
- A much improved limit on direct CP violation in $K^{\pm} \rightarrow 3\pi$ decays

A very rich program in the near future

- Testing μ -e universality with $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \ell^{\pm} \nu$ decays
- Measure BR of the rare decay $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$

Stay tuned!!