

Final measurement of ε'/ε by NA48

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- **Direct CP violation in neutral kaon decays**
- **History of the ε'/ε measurement by NA48**
- **Analysis of the 2001 data sample**
- **Final result and conclusions**

CP violation in neutral kaon decays

- CP violation in mixing (« indirect »)

$$K_L = K_2 + \varepsilon K_1 \quad K_S = K_1 + \varepsilon K_2$$

$$(K_1, K_2 = \text{CP eigenstates}) \quad |\varepsilon| = (2.28 \pm 0.02) 10^{-3}$$

- CP violation in $\pi\pi$ decay

$$A(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) / A(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) = \varepsilon + \varepsilon'$$

$$A(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0) / A(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0) = \varepsilon - 2\varepsilon'$$

ε' = « direct » CP violation (interference between I=0 and I=2 amplitudes)

Standard Model: both ε and ε'

Quantitative predictions difficult: $\varepsilon'/\varepsilon \approx (-10 \text{ to } +30) 10^{-4}$

The double ratio R

$$R \equiv \frac{\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0) \Gamma(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)}{\Gamma(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0) \Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-)} = 1 - 6\text{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$$

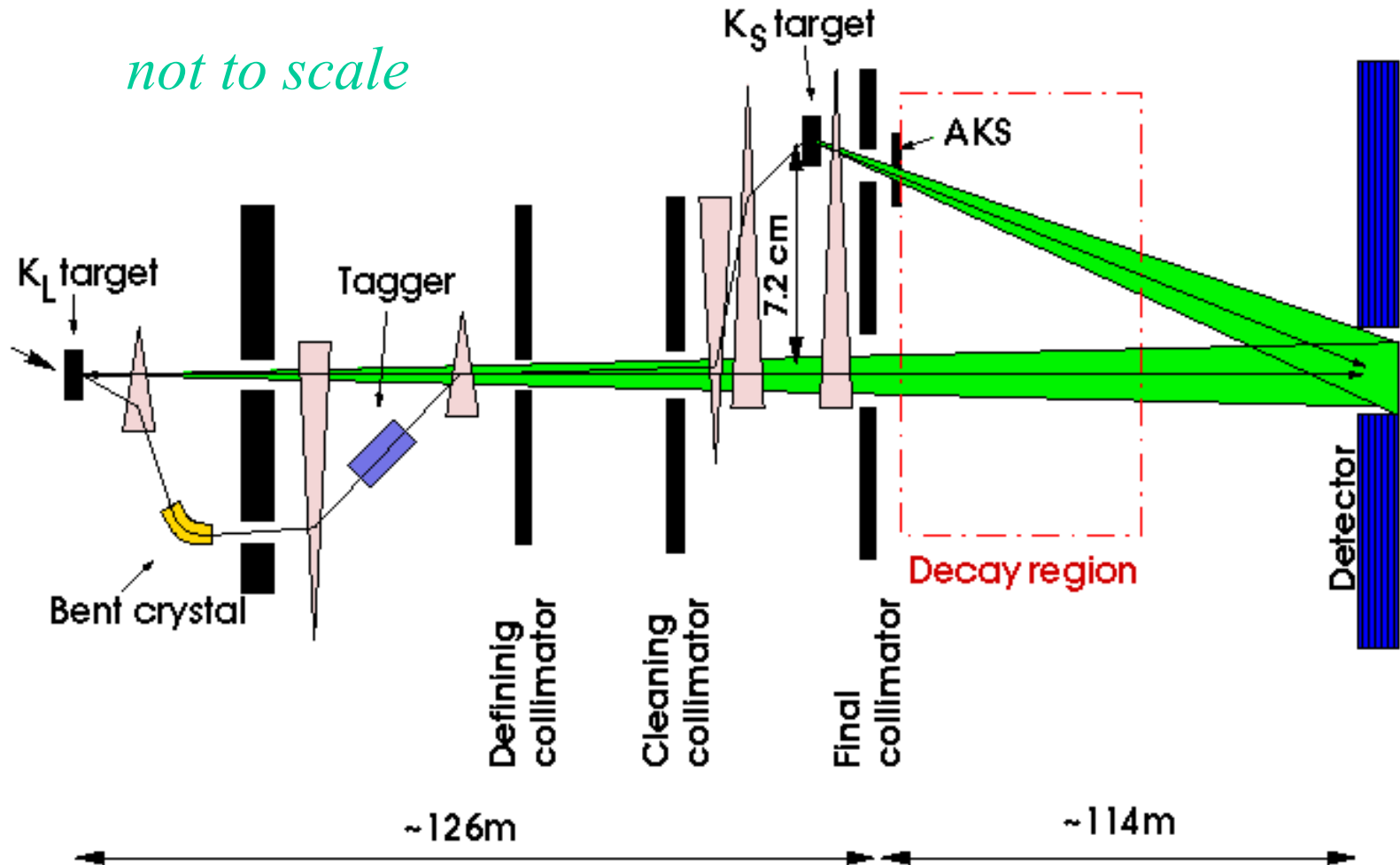
- need to measure small deviation of R from 1
- reduce to event counting if at least 2 modes taken simultaneously

NA48 method:

- take the 4 modes
 - **simultaneously** (\Rightarrow cancellation of dead time, inefficiencies, ...)
 - **from same decay region**
 - K_L events are **weighted** to have same decay distribution as K_S
(\Rightarrow minimise detector acceptance correction)
- **high resolution detectors** \Rightarrow minimise residual backgrounds
- K_S/K_L identification by « **tagging** » the proton creating the K_S

The Simultaneous K_S and K_L beams

not to scale



The NA48 detector

$\pi^0\pi^0$ detection ($\rightarrow 4\gamma$)

LKr calorimeter

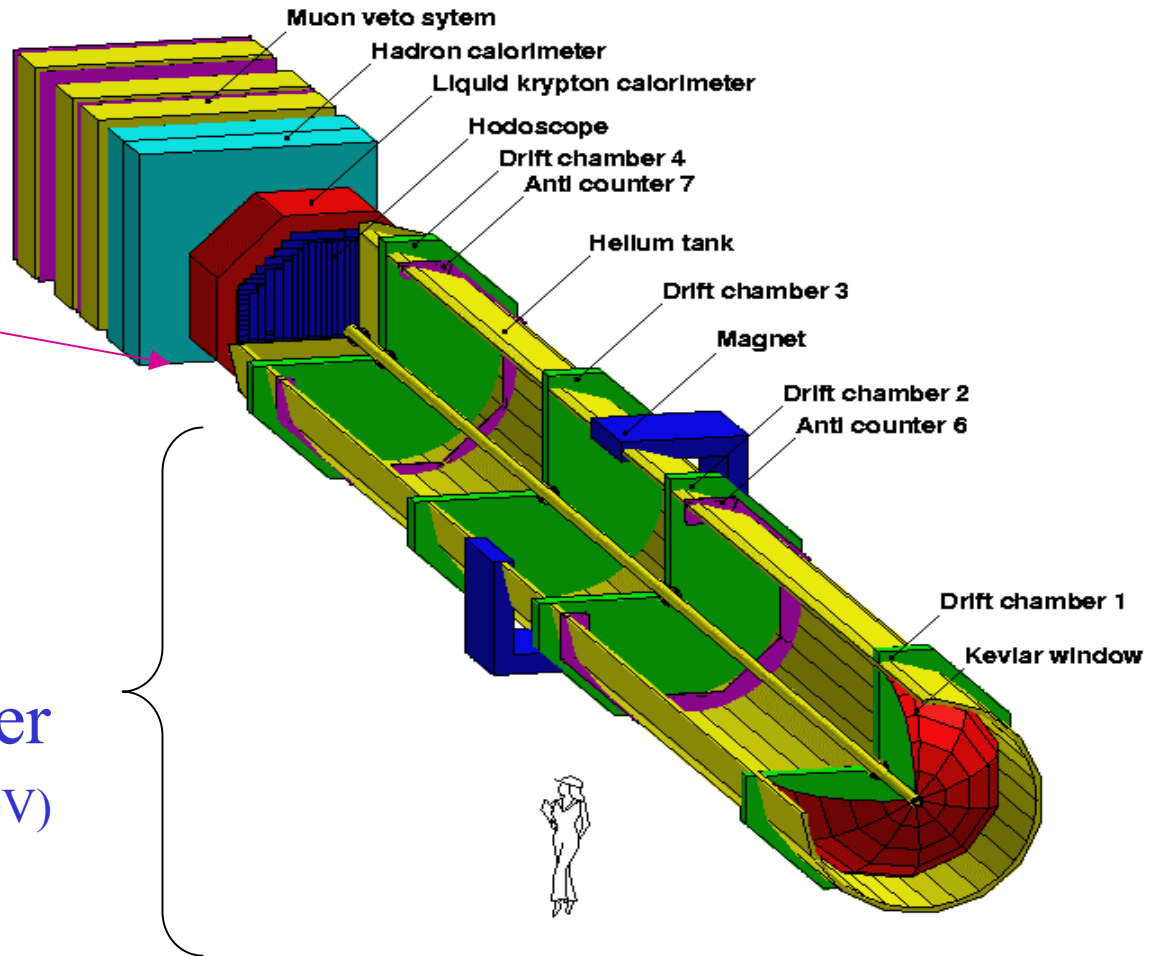
$$\sigma(E)/E = 0.032/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.09/E \oplus 0.0042$$

< 1% for E=25 GeV

$\pi^+\pi^-$ detection

magnetic spectrometer

$$\sigma(p)/p = 0.5\% \oplus 0.9\% * (p/100 \text{ GeV})$$



History of the ε'/ε measurement by NA48

Year:	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>
$N(K_L \rightarrow 2\pi^0)$	0.5 M	1 M	2 M	-	1.5 M

→
improvements in
LKr, triggers, DAQ, efficiency

Beam tube
implosion

Cross-checks
with neutrals
(+rare Ks
decays)

Drift
chambers
rebuilt

Lower beam
intensity

$\varepsilon'/\varepsilon = (15.3 \pm 2.6) 10^{-4}$
(published in 2001)

↓
Result today !

Summary of uncertainties on R for 98-99 data

$\pi^+\pi^-$ trigger	± 5.2
K_L accidental tagging as K_S	± 3.4
K_S tagging inefficiency	± 3.0
Accidental activity	± 4.2
K_S in time activity	± 1.0
$\pi^0\pi^0$ reconstruction	± 5.8
$\pi^+\pi^-$ reconstruction	± 2.8
$\pi^0\pi^0$ background	± 2.0
$\pi^+\pi^-$ background	± 3.0
beam scattering bkg	± 2.0
Acceptance (stat)	± 4.1
(syst)	± 4.0
AKS inefficiency	± 0.4

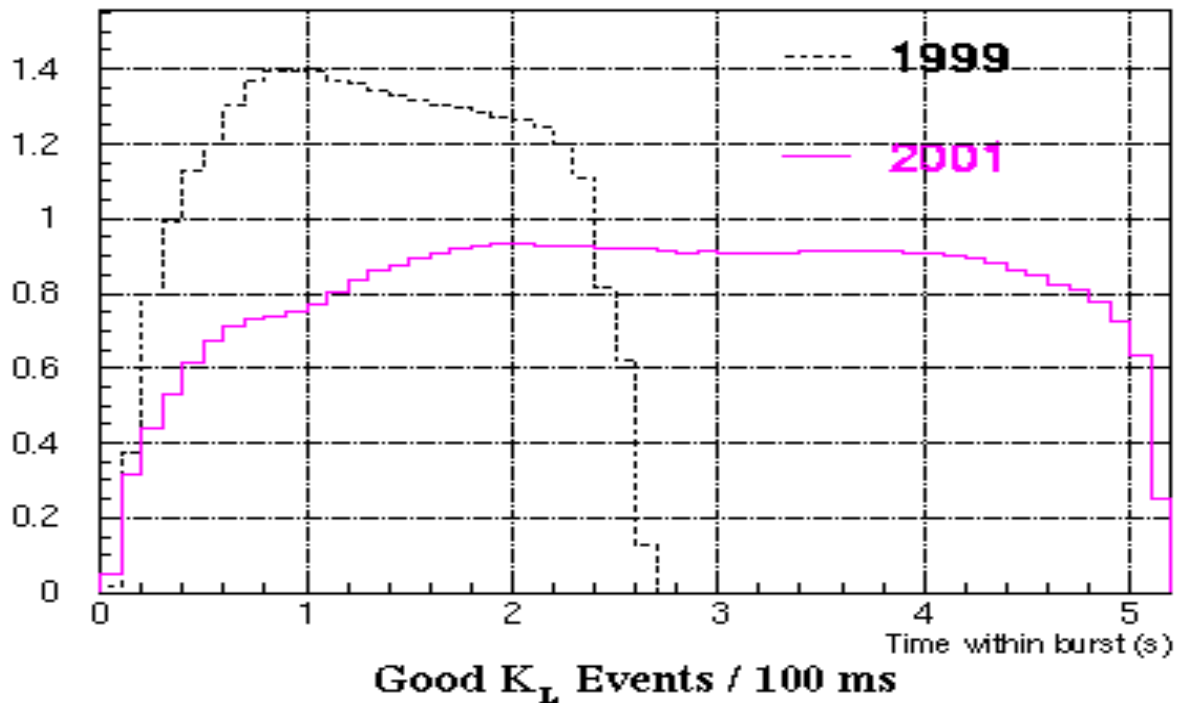
related to beam
intensity effects

smaller uncertainties
for 2001 data

Example:

$\pi^+\pi^-$ trigger efficiency
increased from 97.78% to
98.70%

smaller uncertainty
in efficiency measurement



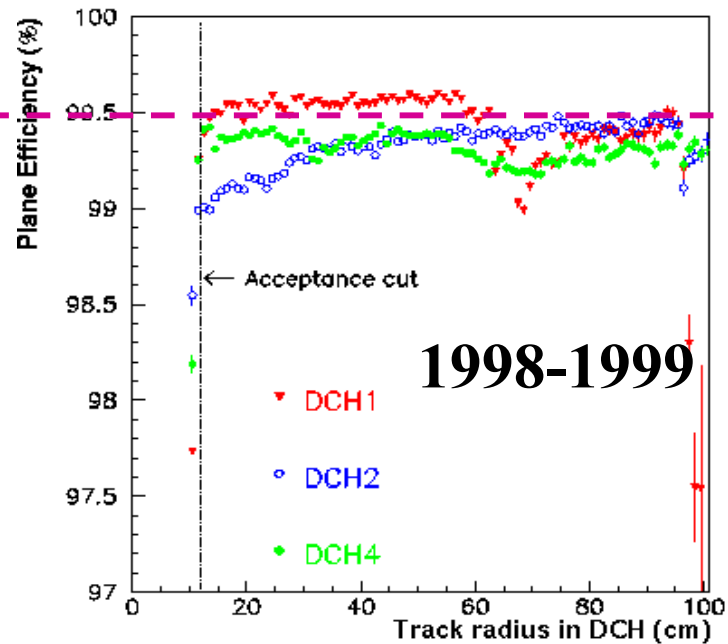
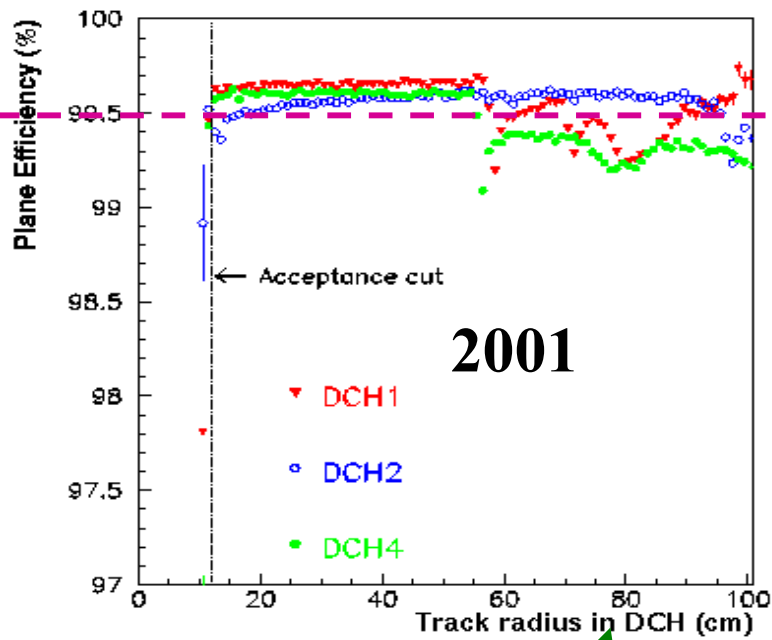
1998-1999 spill=2.4s every 14.4s

2001 spill=5.2s every 16.8s \Rightarrow 80 % higher duty cycle

Instantaneous beam intensity reduced by $\approx 30\%$

Dead time in drift chamber readout: 20% \rightarrow 11%

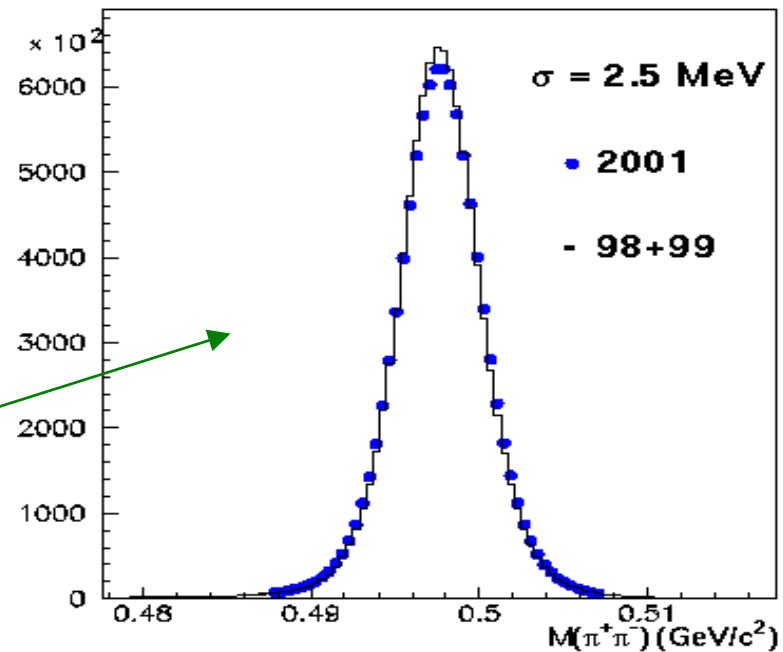
(this dead time condition is recorded and applied in the analysis to all events)



slightly better efficiency

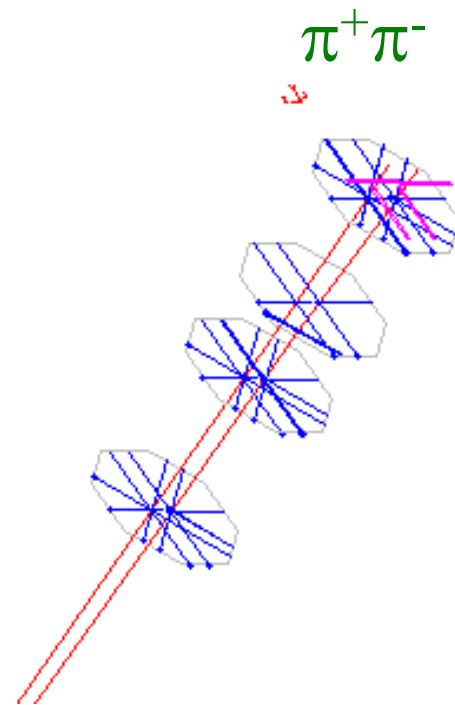
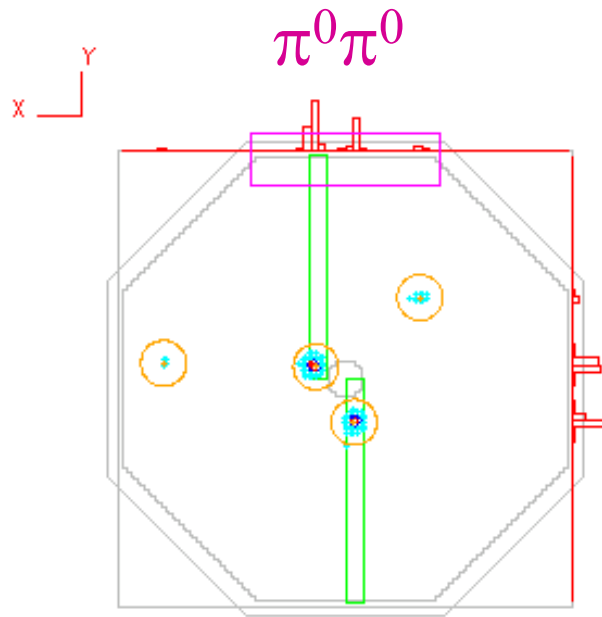
Performances of rebuilt DCH

similar $\pi^+\pi^-$ mass resolution



Analysis of the 2001 data sample

(some selected topics...)

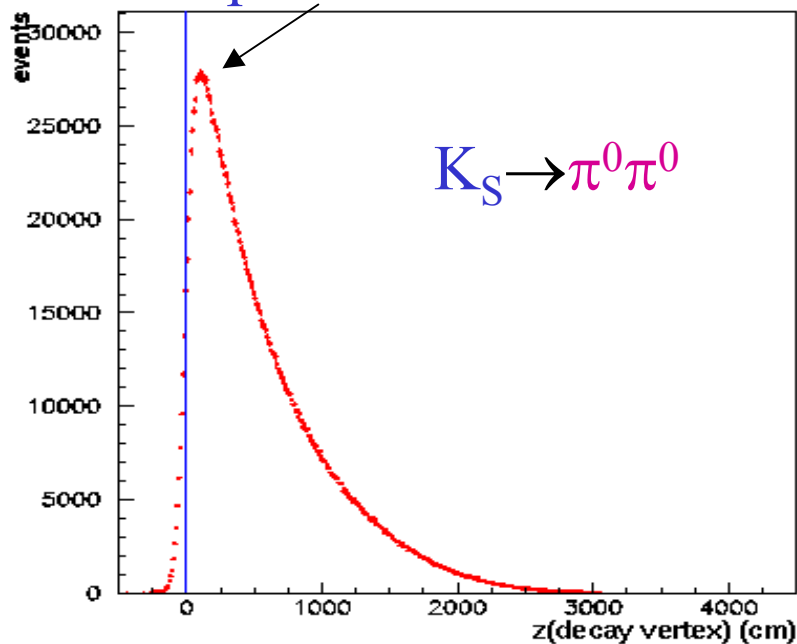


$\pi^0\pi^0$ reconstruction

$$D(\text{vertex-LKr}) = 1/M(K) \sqrt{\sum E_i E_j d_{ij}}$$

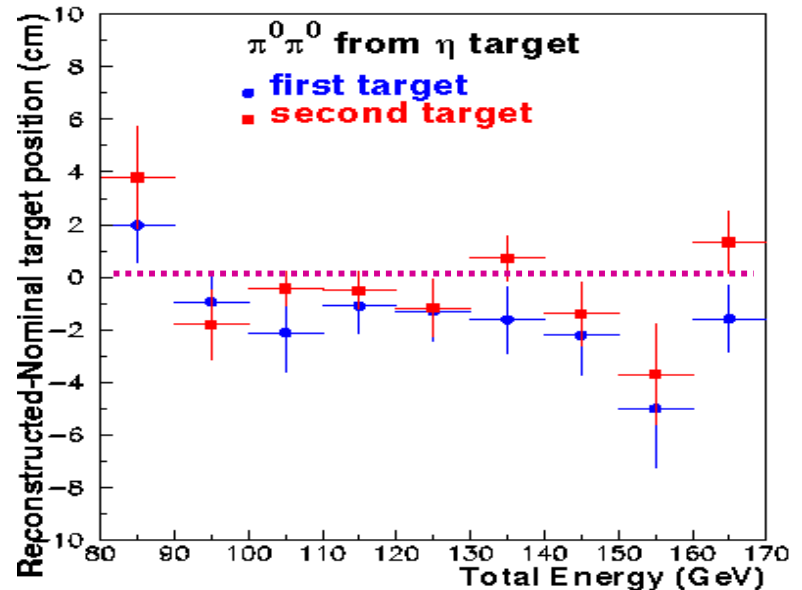
(from K mass constraint)

Adjust E-scale to reproduce nominal position of AKS



Decay region definition \Leftrightarrow Energy scale
 1 cm on decay vertex $\Leftrightarrow 10^{-4}$ on E-scale

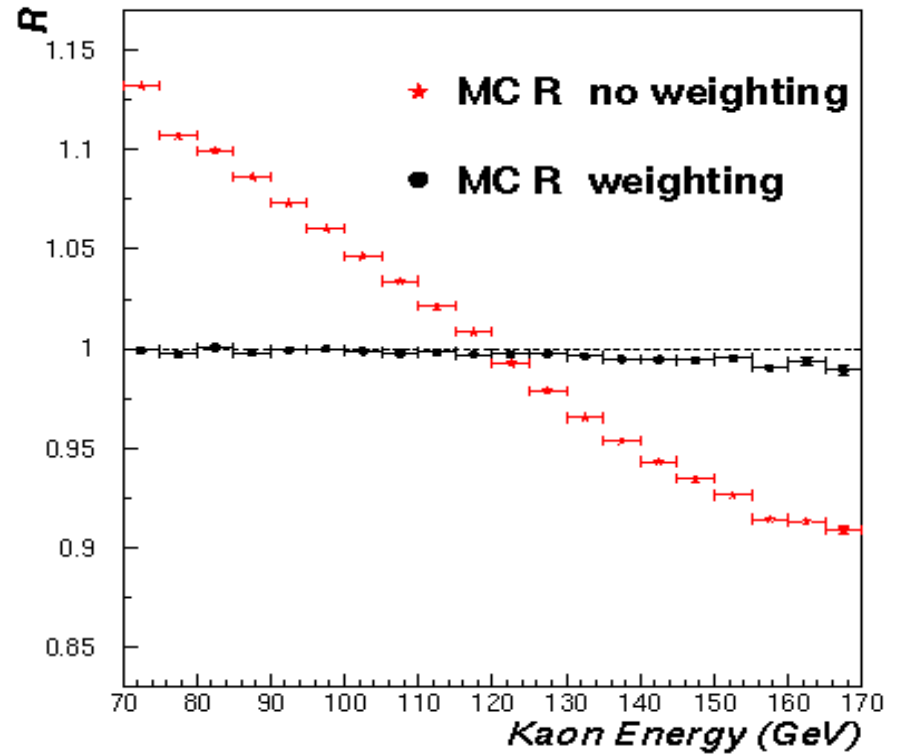
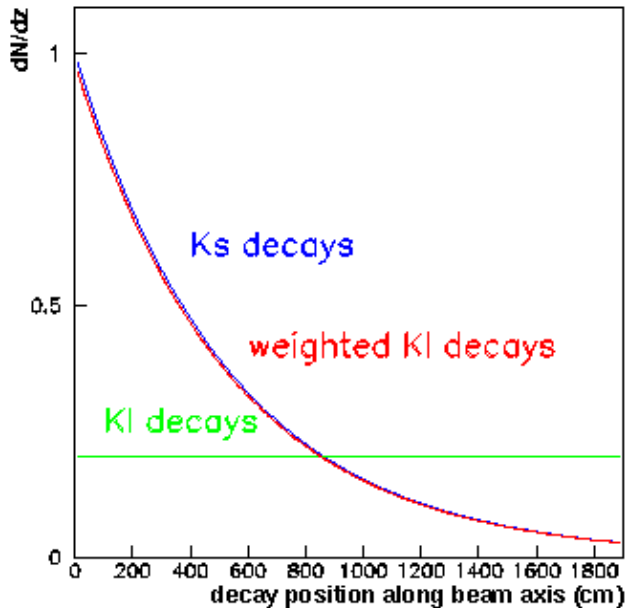
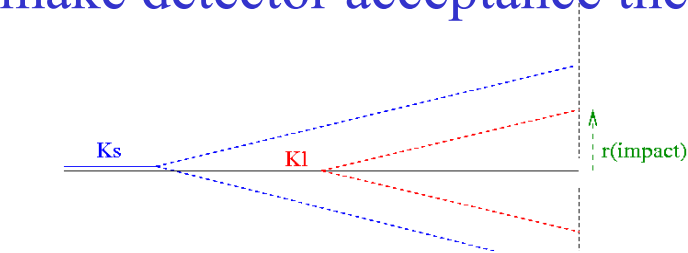
Cross-check: use $\pi^0\pi^0$ hadronic production from π^- beam striking two thin targets during special runs



Total uncertainty (E-scale+non linearities+...) = $\pm 5.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$ on R

Acceptance

Weight K_L events to equalize decay vertex distribution and make detector acceptance the same



Residual correction (beam geometry)

$$\Delta(R) = (21.9 \pm 3.5 \pm 4.0) 10^{-4}$$

Does not rely on detailed detector simulation

K_S - K_L identification

From vertex-identified $\pi^+\pi^-$:

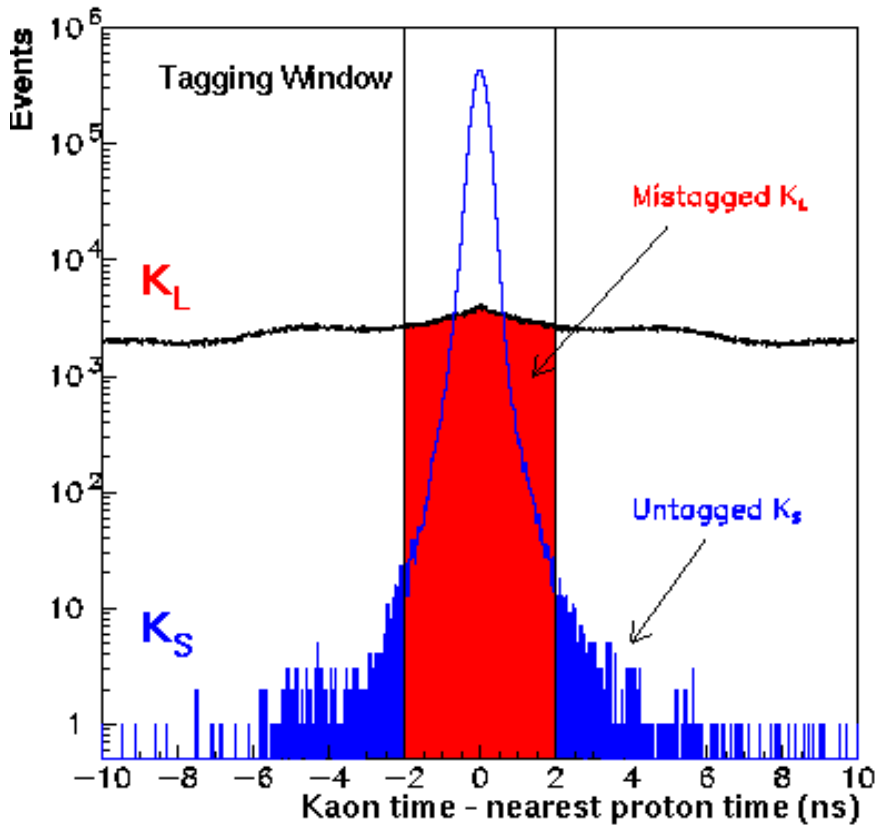
$$\alpha_{SL} = (1.12 \pm 0.03) 10^{-4} \text{ (} K_S \text{ tagging inefficiency)}$$

$$\alpha_{LS} = (8.115 \pm 0.010) \% \text{ (} K_L \text{ accidental tagging)}$$

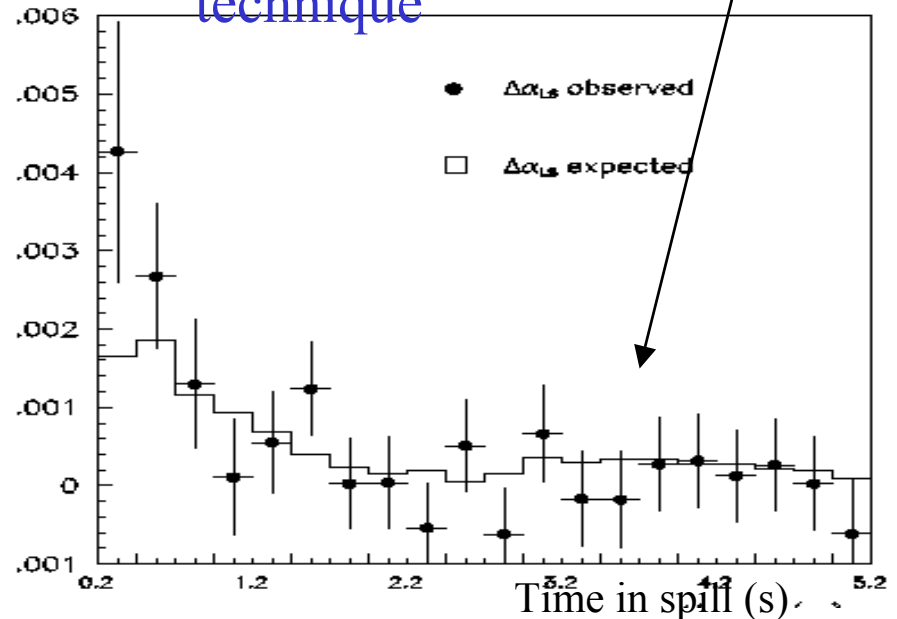
R sensitive to $\pi^+\pi^-$ $\pi^0\pi^0$ differences

$$\Delta\alpha_{SL} = (0 \pm 0.5) 10^{-4} \Rightarrow \Delta R = (0 \pm 3) 10^{-4}$$

$$\Delta\alpha_{LS} = (3.4 \pm 1.4) 10^{-4} \Rightarrow \Delta R = (6.9 \pm 2.8) 10^{-4}$$



Higher losses related to beam intensity in $\pi^+\pi^-$
 Can be predicted using overlay technique

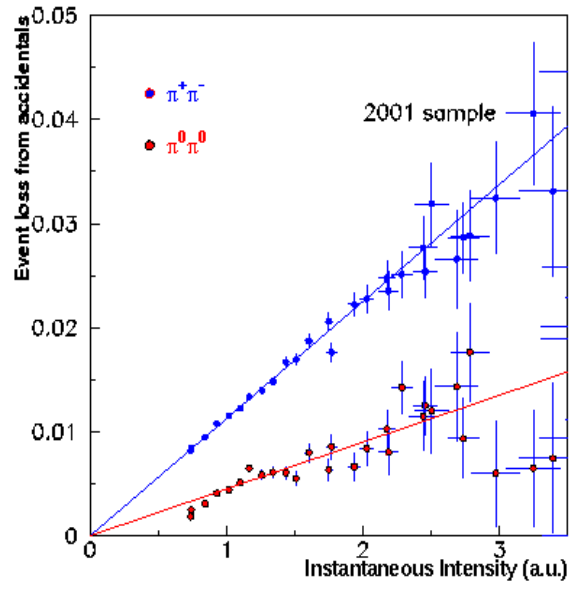
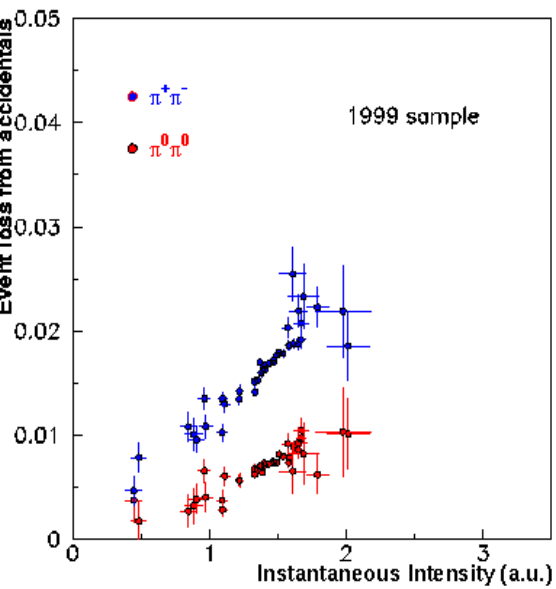


Accidental effects

Accidental effect \equiv event losses induced by (K_L) beam activity
Minimised by simultaneous data collection in 4 modes

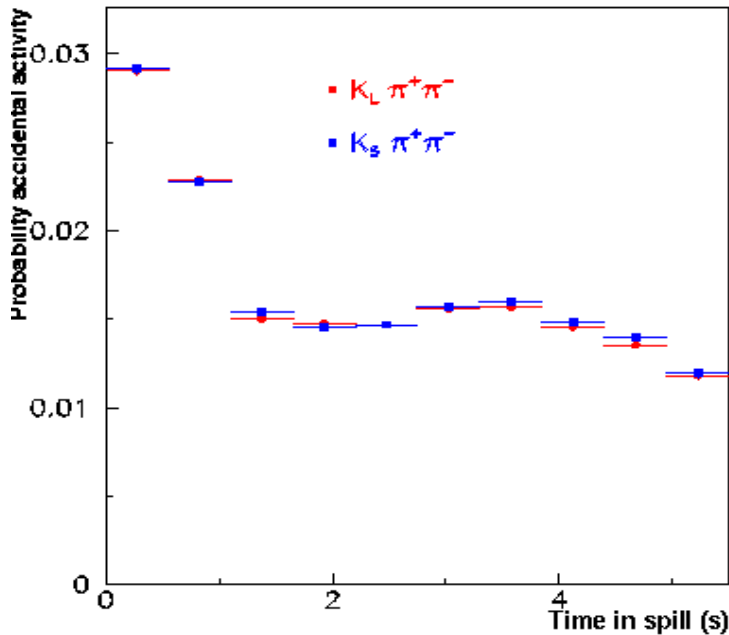
$$\Delta R = \Delta(\pi^0\pi^0 - \pi^+\pi^-) * \Delta(K_L - K_S)$$

- $\Delta(\pi^0\pi^0 - \pi^+\pi^-)$ minimised by applying to all events the recorded dead time conditions
main tool: overlay $\pi\pi$ events with random events (\propto beam intensity)
- $\Delta(K_L - K_S)$ small by design of the experiment:
 - **simultaneous beam**
 K_S and K_L decays see the *same beam intensity*
deviation = « intensity difference effect »
 - **lifetime weighting**
 K_S and K_L decays illuminate the *same part of the detector*
residual effect = « illumination difference effect »



Event losses (from overlay):
 $\Delta(\pi^+\pi^- - \pi^0\pi^0) = (1.0 \pm 0.5)\%$
 for 2001 data

Better check of linearity
 of losses in 2001
 (better beam monitors)



Measure accidental activity
 ($\propto K_L$ beam intensity)
 in K_S and K_L events
 $\Rightarrow \Delta I/I = (0 \pm 1)\%$

Uncertainties from accidental effects:

- Intensity difference effect:

from estimates of $\Delta(\pi^+\pi^--\pi^0\pi^0)$ and $\Delta I/I$

$$\Delta R = \pm 1.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

(was $\pm 3 \cdot 10^{-4}$ for 98-99 data)

- Illumination difference effect:

overlaying « random » events to K_S and K_L decays

$$\Delta R = \pm 3.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

(limited by statistical uncertainty of overlay sample)

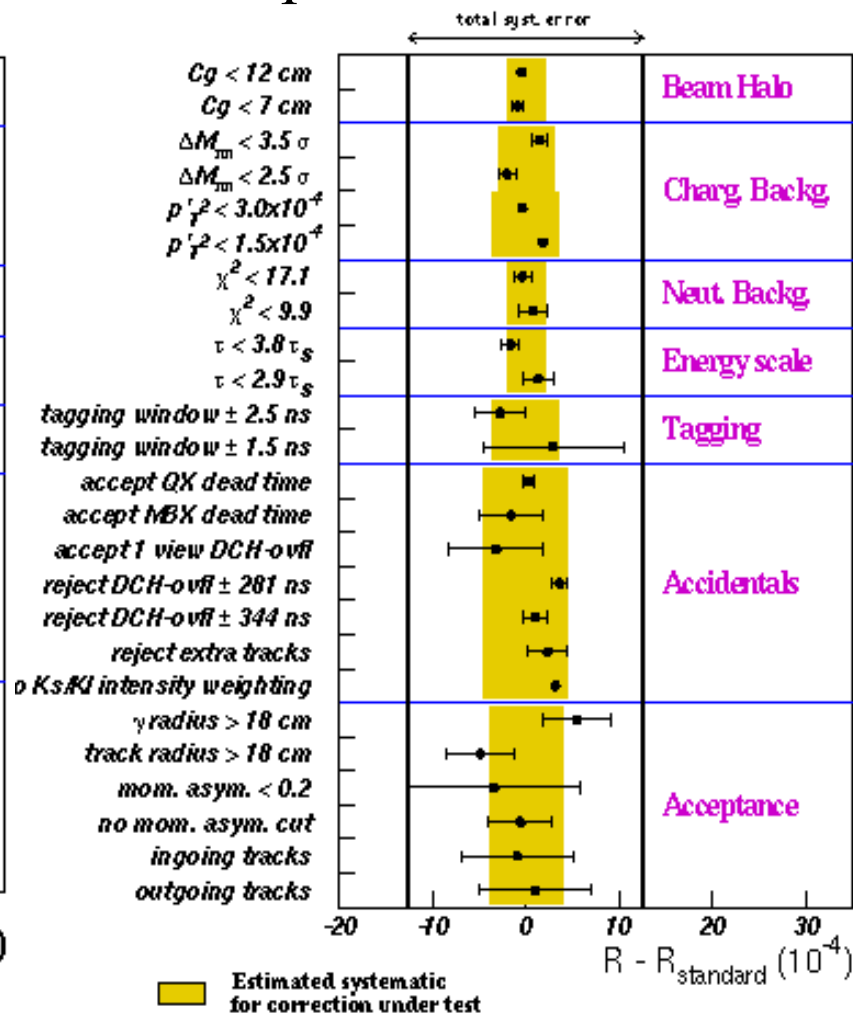
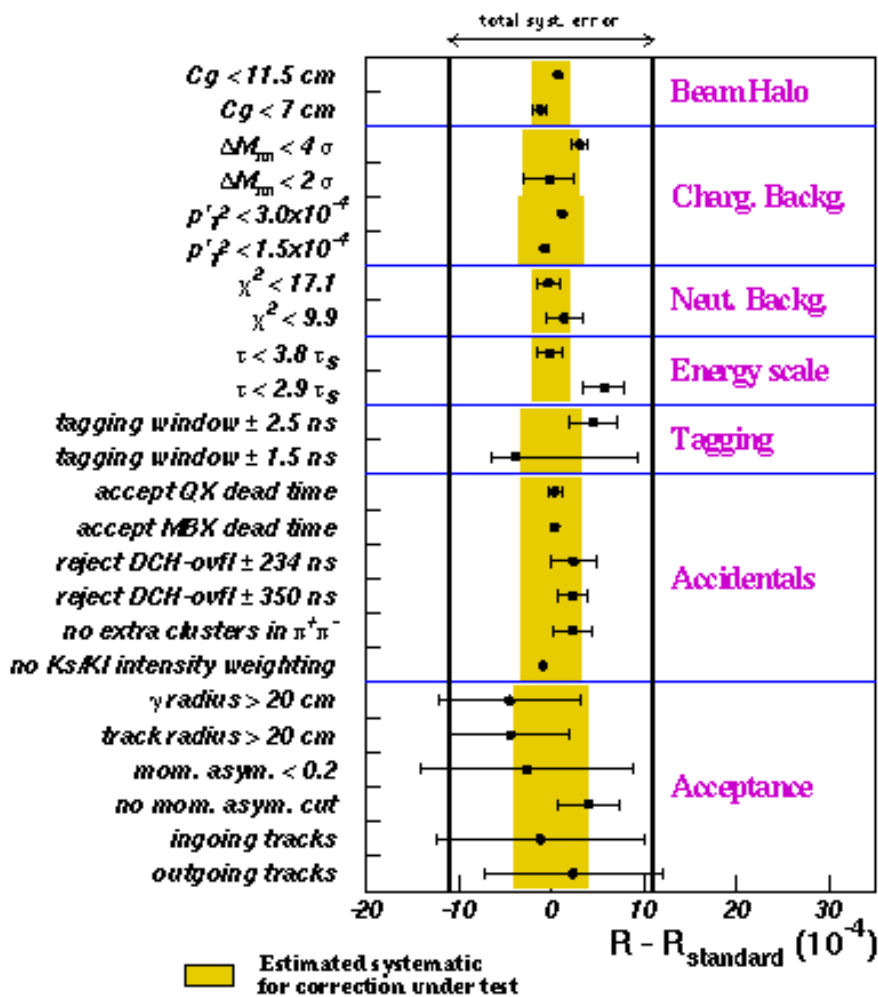
Summary of corrections and uncertainties on R for 2001 data

	in 10^{-4}	units
$\pi^+\pi^-$ trigger inefficiency	+5.2	± 3.6 (stat)
$\pi^0\pi^0$ reconstruction		± 5.3
$\pi^+\pi^-$ reconstruction		± 2.8
$\pi^0\pi^0$ background	- 5.6	± 2.0
$\pi^+\pi^-$ background	+14.2	± 3.0
Beam scattering background	- 8.8	± 2.0
K_S tagging inefficiency		± 3.0
K_L accidental tagging as K_S	+ 6.9	± 2.8 (stat)
Accidental activity intensity difference		± 1.1
illumination difference		± 3.0 (stat)
K_S in time activity		± 1.0
Acceptance correction	+21.9	± 3.5 (stat)
		± 4.0
AKS inefficiency	+ 1.2	± 0.3
Total	+35.0	± 11.0

Cross-checks of the stability of the result

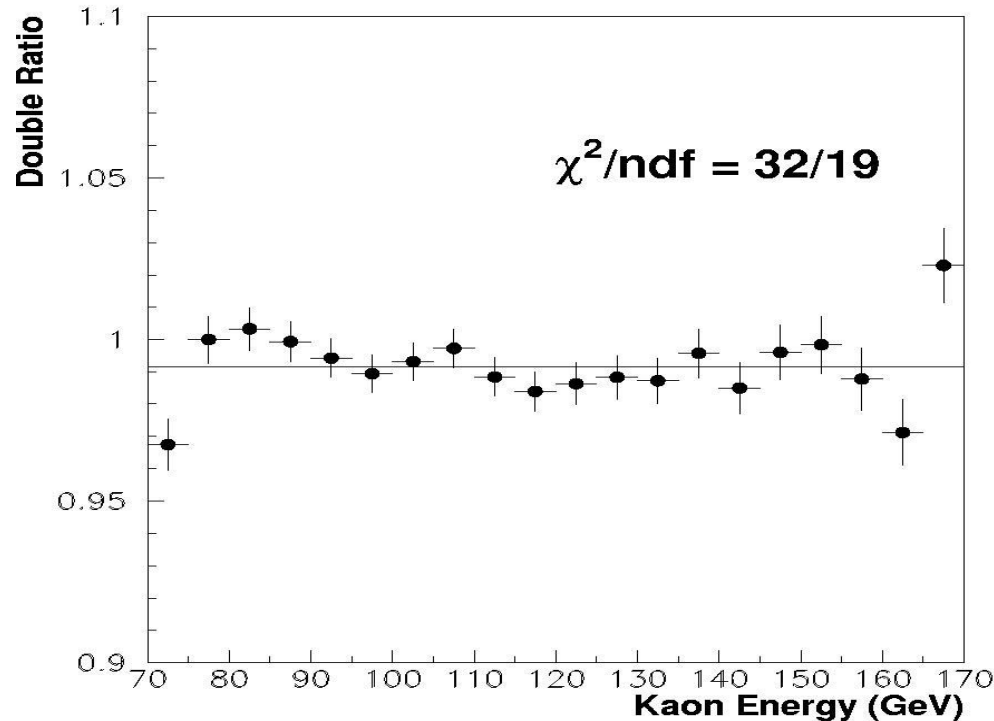
2001 data

published 98-99 data



The double ratio result (2001 data)

The analysis is performed in Kaon energy bins to be insensitive to K_S - K_L differences in energy spectra



$$R = 0.99181 \pm 0.00147_{stat} \pm 0.00110_{syst}$$

Final result

From 2001 data:

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon'/\varepsilon &= (13.7 \pm 2.5 \pm 1.8) 10^{-4} \\ &= \mathbf{(13.7 \pm 3.1) 10^{-4}}\end{aligned}$$

in very good agreement with 97-98-99 published result

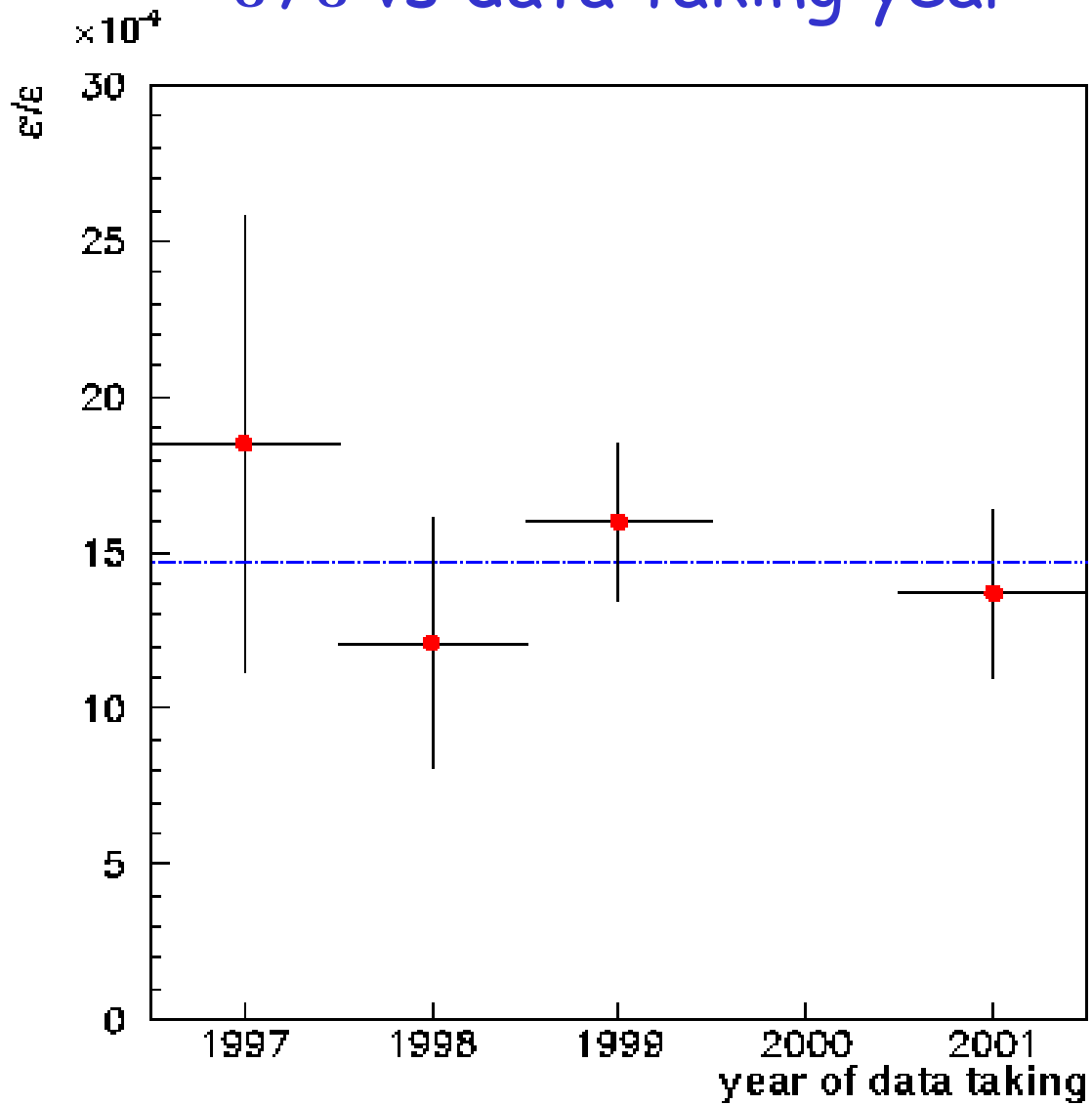
$$\varepsilon'/\varepsilon = (15.3 \pm 2.6) 10^{-4}$$

Final combined result from NA48:

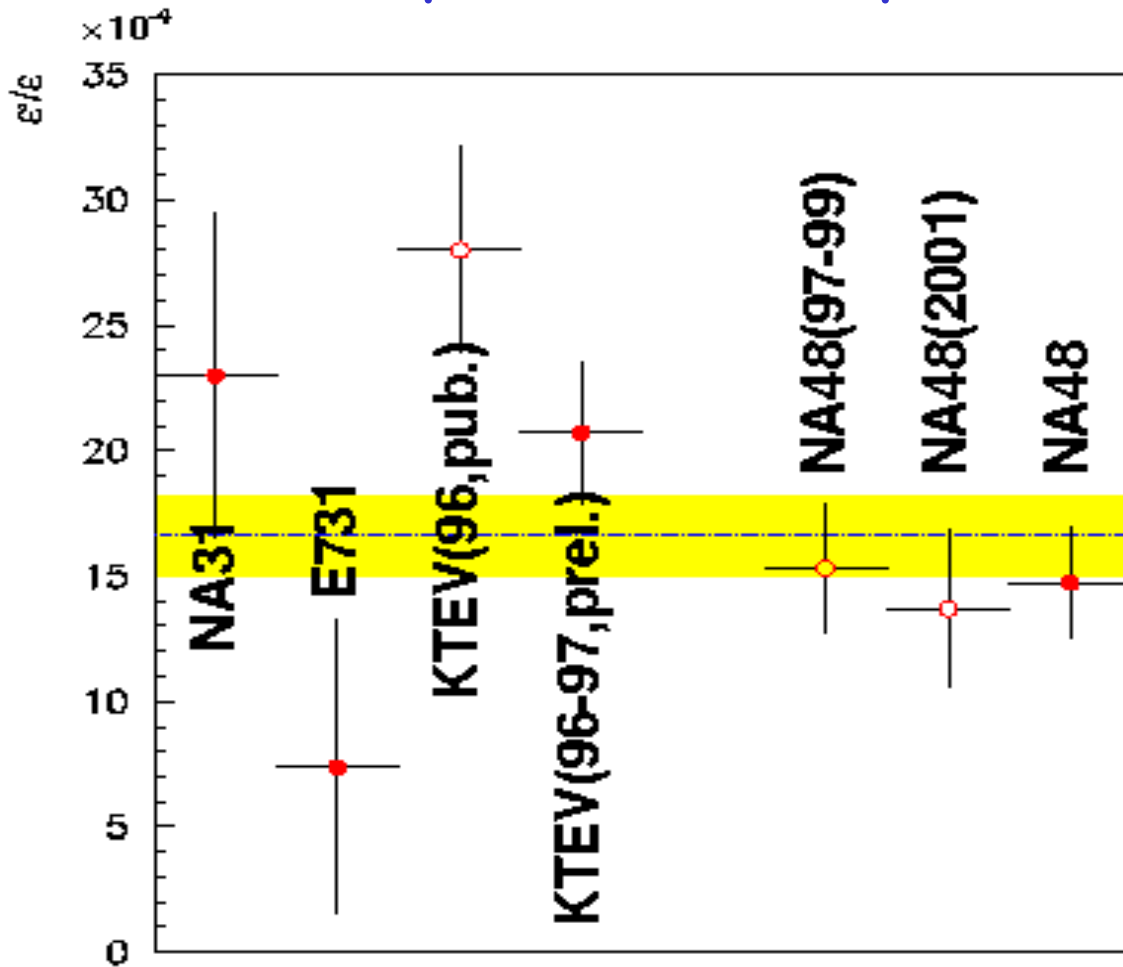
$$\varepsilon'/\varepsilon = \mathbf{(14.7 \pm 2.2) 10^{-4}}$$

(correlated systematic uncertainty is $\pm 1.4 10^{-4}$)

ε'/ε vs data taking year



Comparison of experimental results



NA31: $(23.0 \pm 6.5)10^{-4}$

E731: $(7.4 \pm 5.9)10^{-4}$

KTeV: $(20.7 \pm 2.8)10^{-4}$
(preliminary)

NA48: $(14.7 \pm 2.2)10^{-4}$

World average $\epsilon'/\epsilon = (16.6 \pm 1.6)10^{-4}$ $\chi^2=6.2/3$ (prob=10%)

Conclusions

NA48 measurement of ε'/ε is completed:

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

proposed accuracy is reached

papers: - *V.Fanti et al, Phys. Lett. B465, 335(1999) 97 data result*
- *A.Lai et al, Eur. Phys. Jour.C83,22(2001) 98-99 data*
- *coming out soon on 2001 data*

KTeV still to analyse 1999 data (\approx same stat as 96-97 data)

Kloe with different method (need luminosity)

The ball is now on the theory side ...