

Recent results from KLOE

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1. The KLOE physics program.

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \phi \quad W = m_\phi = 1019.4 \text{ MeV} \quad \sigma_\phi \sim 3 \mu\text{b}$$

Decay channels	
Ⓜ $\mathbf{K^+K^-}$ = 49.2%	Charged Kaon decays + CP/CPT tests
Ⓜ $\mathbf{K^0\bar{K}^0}$ = 33.8%	Neutral Kaon decays + CP/CPT tests (ϵ'/ϵ)
Ⓜ $\mathbf{p^+p^-p^0}$ = 15.5%	3 pion decay $\rightarrow \rho\pi$ (ρ shape parameters)
Ⓜ \mathbf{hg} = 1.3%	Radiative decays: pseudoscalar: η physics
Ⓜ $\mathbf{p^0g}$ = $\sim 10^{-3}$	“
Ⓜ $\mathbf{h'g}$ = $\sim 10^{-4}$	“ \rightarrow pseudoscalar mixing angle
Ⓜ \mathbf{ppg} = $\sim 10^{-4}$	scalar \rightarrow f0
Ⓜ $\mathbf{hp^0g}$ = $\sim 10^{-4}$	“ \rightarrow a0
Ⓜ $\mathbf{h e^+e^-}$ = $\sim 10^{-4}$	Conversion decays: transition form factor $F_{\phi\eta}$
Ⓜ $\mathbf{p^0 e^+e^-}$ = $\sim 10^{-5}$	“ “ $F_{\phi\pi}$
$\mathbf{e^+e^-}$ Ⓜ $\mathbf{p^+p^-g}$ Initial state radiation $\rightarrow \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)$ $2m_\pi < W < m_\phi$	
$\mathbf{e^+e^-}$ Ⓜ \mathbf{f} around ϕ peak (energy scan) $\rightarrow \phi$ resonance parameters	

2. The KLOE detector: Drift chamber:

Drift chamber

Calorimeter (Pb-scint.fib.)

Magnetic field = 0.56 T

Large volume $d=4\text{m}$ $l=3.3\text{m}$

He – Isob 90-10 gas mixt.

Momentum resolution

$$dp/p < 0.4\%$$

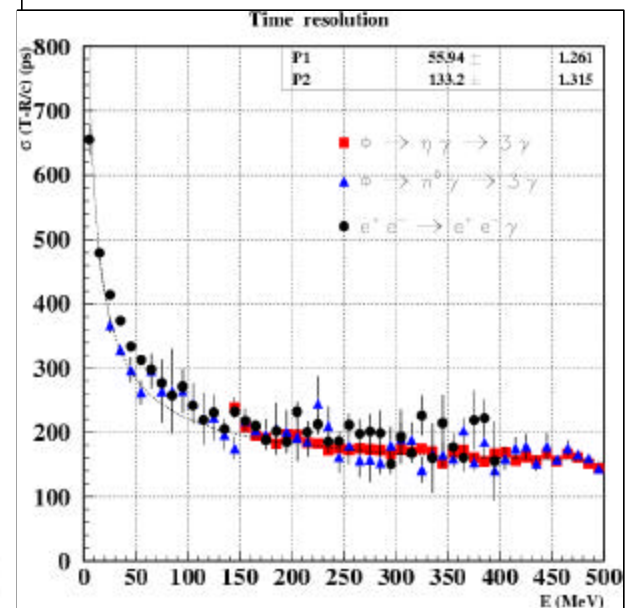
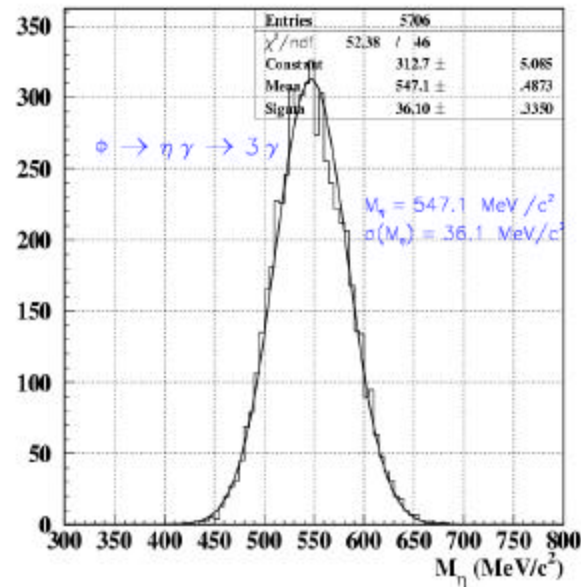
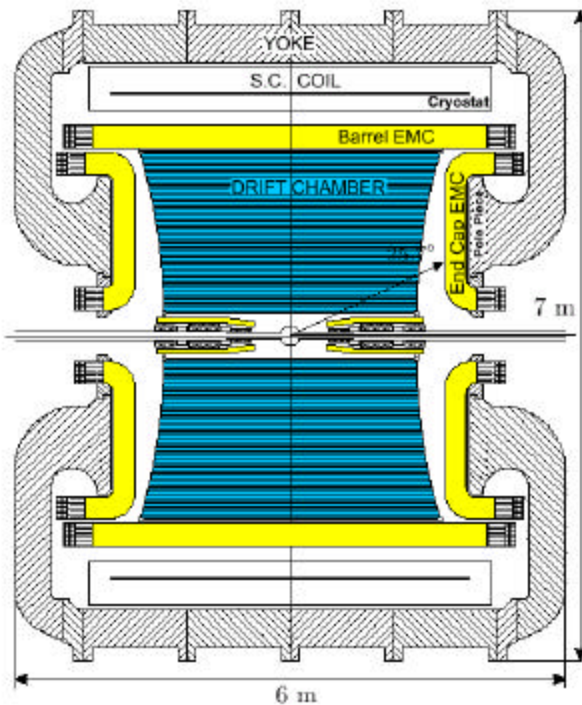
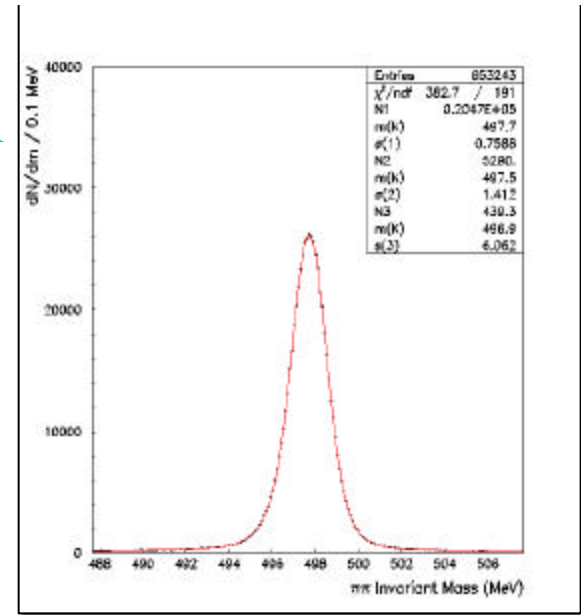
Calorimeter:

Energy resolution:

$$s/E = 5.4\% / \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}$$

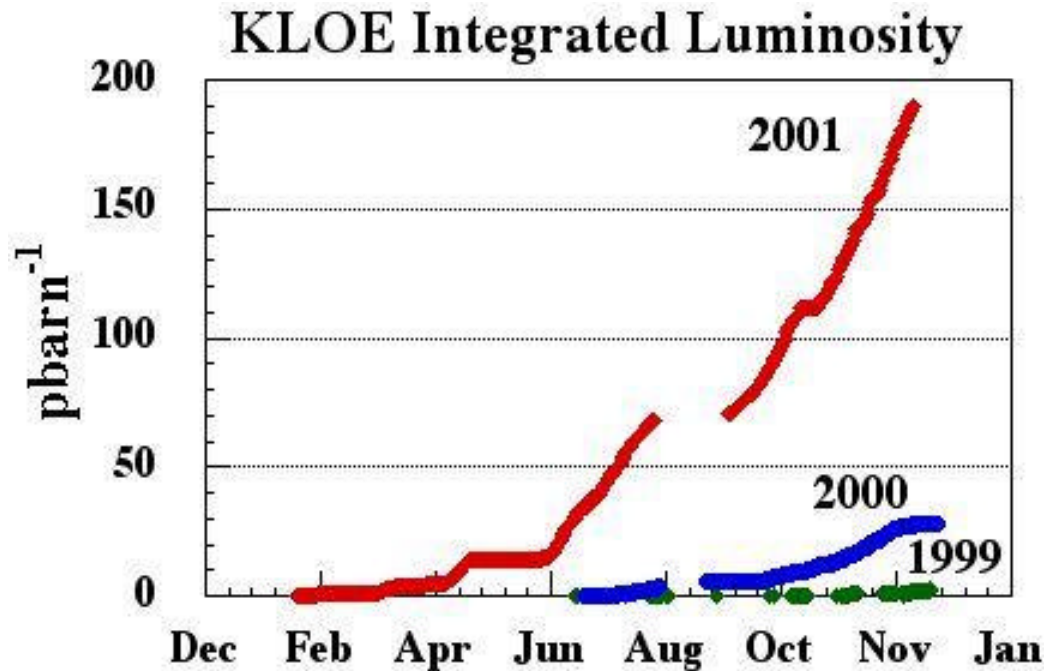
Time resolution

$$s_t = 55 \text{ ps} / \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})} \text{ } \hat{A} 40 \text{ ps (cal.) } \hat{A} 120 \text{ ps (coll.time)}$$



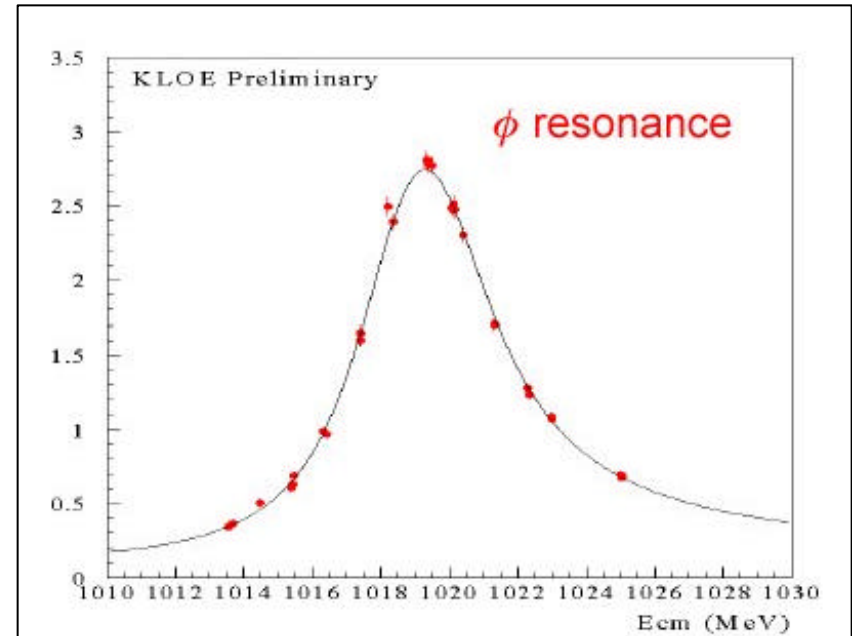
3. Status of the experiment

Data taken from april 1999 to december 2001~ at f peak
+ 1 energy scan



Present day performance:

	peak	average
$L(\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1})$	$5 \cdot 10^{31}$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{31}$
$\int_{\text{day}} L dt \text{ (pb}^{-1}\text{)}$	3	1.8



Analysis status:

2000 data ~completed

($25 \text{ pb}^{-1} \rightarrow 7.5 \times 10^7 f$)

2001 data in progress

($190 \text{ pb}^{-1} \rightarrow 5.7 \times 10^8 f$)

All results are still *preliminary*

4. Results on Neutral Kaon decays

Neutral kaons produced in a
pure quantum $J^{PC} = 1^{--}$ state:

$$|i\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[|K^0(\vec{p})\rangle |\bar{K}^0(-\vec{p})\rangle - |\bar{K}^0(\vec{p})\rangle |K^0(-\vec{p})\rangle \right]$$

$$= \frac{N}{\sqrt{2}} \left[|K_S(\vec{p})\rangle |K_L(-\vec{p})\rangle - |K_L(\vec{p})\rangle |K_S(-\vec{p})\rangle \right]$$

$$p_K = 110 \text{ MeV} \quad \lambda_S = 6 \text{ mm} \quad \lambda_L = 3.5 \text{ m}$$

→ **Tagging:**

pure K_S and K_L beams

→ analysis of kaon decays

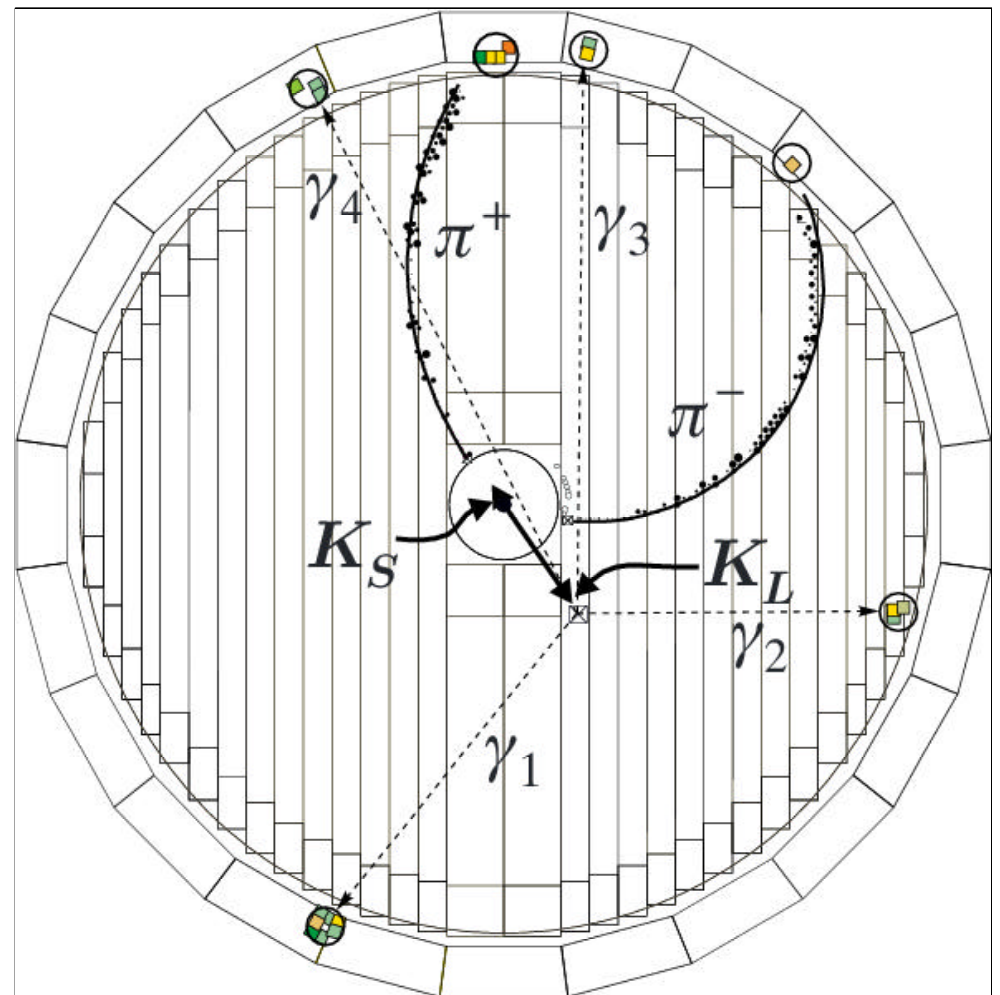
→ double ratio → (ϵ' / ϵ)

→ **Interferometry studies**

Example of $\phi \rightarrow K_S K_L$

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    graph TD
      A["Example of  $\phi \rightarrow K_S K_L$ "] --> B[" $\pi^0 \pi^0$ "]
      A --> C[" $\pi^+ \pi^-$ "]
  
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K_S tagging by identification of K_L interacting in the EmC (“ K_L crash”) [$\sim 50\%$ of K_L]

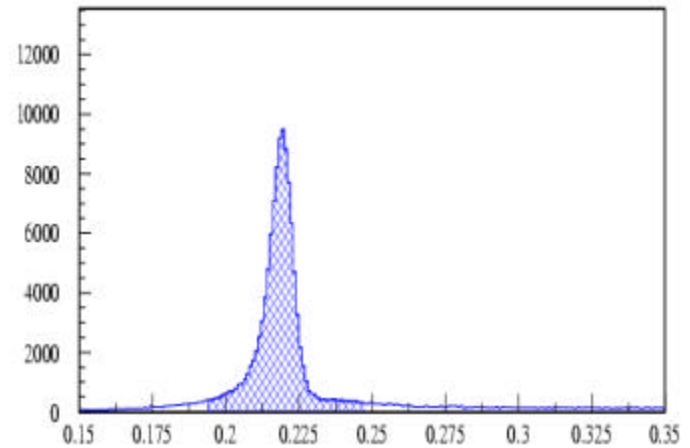
→ Selection cuts:

- $E_{\text{clus}} > 200 \text{ MeV}$
- $|\cos(\theta_{\text{clus}})| < 0.7$
- $0.1950 \leq \beta^* \leq 0.2475$

($\beta^* = K_L$ velocity in the ϕ rest frame)

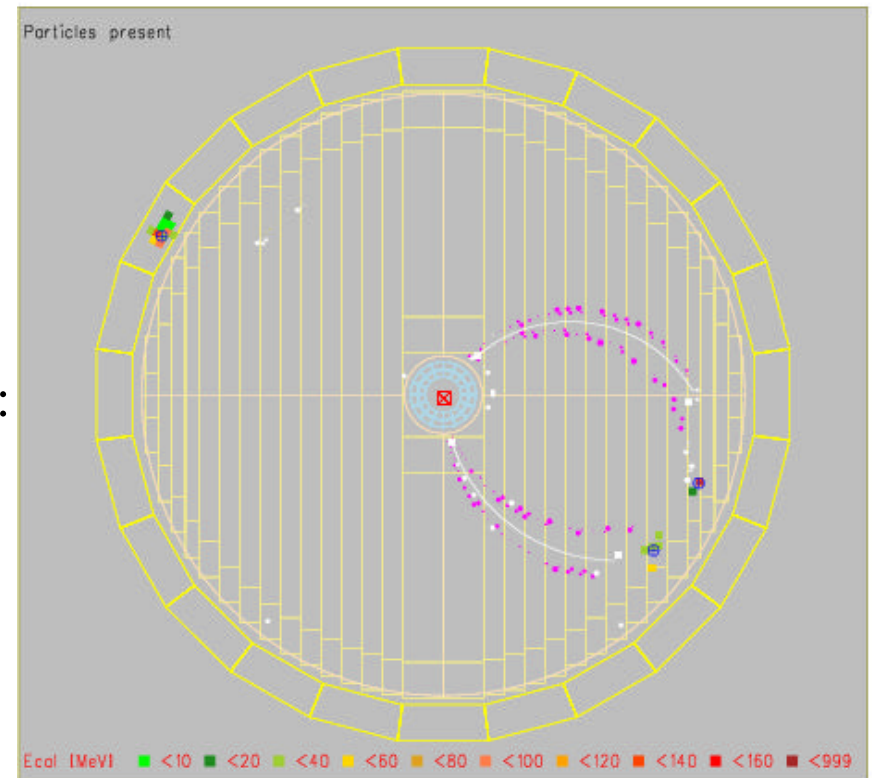
→ Position of the $K_L \rightarrow K_S$ momentum

Tagging efficiency $e_{\text{tag}} \sim 30\%$



β^* distribution of “ K_L crash”

Example of $\phi \rightarrow K_S K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ “crash”



KLOE has now about **$6 \cdot 10^7$ tagged K_S** .

All channels are accessible.

Results from 2000 data (**$5.4 \cdot 10^6$ tagged K_S**) on:

(1) $R = G(K_S \rightarrow p^+ p^-) / G(K_S \rightarrow p^0 p^0)$

(2) $BR(K_S \rightarrow p^\pm e^\pm n)$

$$(1) R = G(K_S \rightarrow p^+p^-) / G(K_S \rightarrow p^0p^0)$$

Motivations:

- First part of double ratio
- Extractions of Isospin Amplitudes and Phases A_0 A_2 and δ_0 - δ_2 →→ consistent treatment of soft γ in $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- (\gamma)$ (PDG data contain ambiguities)
[Cirigliano, Donoghue, Golowich 2000]

Selection procedure:

1. K_S tagging

2. $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\gamma)$ two tracks from I.P + acceptance cuts: **fully inclusive** measurement
(E_γ^* up to $E_{\gamma \max}^* = 170$ MeV) $\epsilon_{\pi\pi\gamma}(E_\gamma^*)$ from MC → folded to theoretical γ spectrum
→ correction

$$D = (-3.4 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-3}$$

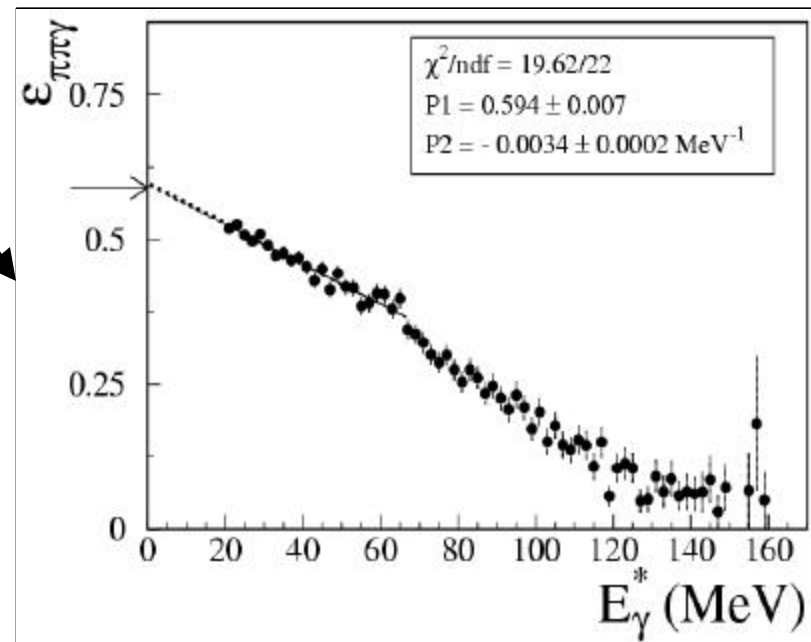
3. $K_S \rightarrow p^0p^0$

neutral prompt cluster

($E_\gamma > 20$ MeV and $(T-R/c) < 5\sigma_t$)

at least 3 neutral prompt clusters

($\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$ included)



Result:

$$N_{\text{ev}}(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = \mathbf{1.098 \times 10^6}$$

$$N_{\text{ev}}(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0) = \mathbf{0.788 \times 10^6}$$

$$\mathbf{R = 2.239 \pm 0.003_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.015_{\text{syst}}}$$

→ stat. uncertainty at 0.14% level

→ contributions to “systematics”:

tagging eff. Ratio **0.55%**

photon counting **0.20%**

tracking **0.26%**

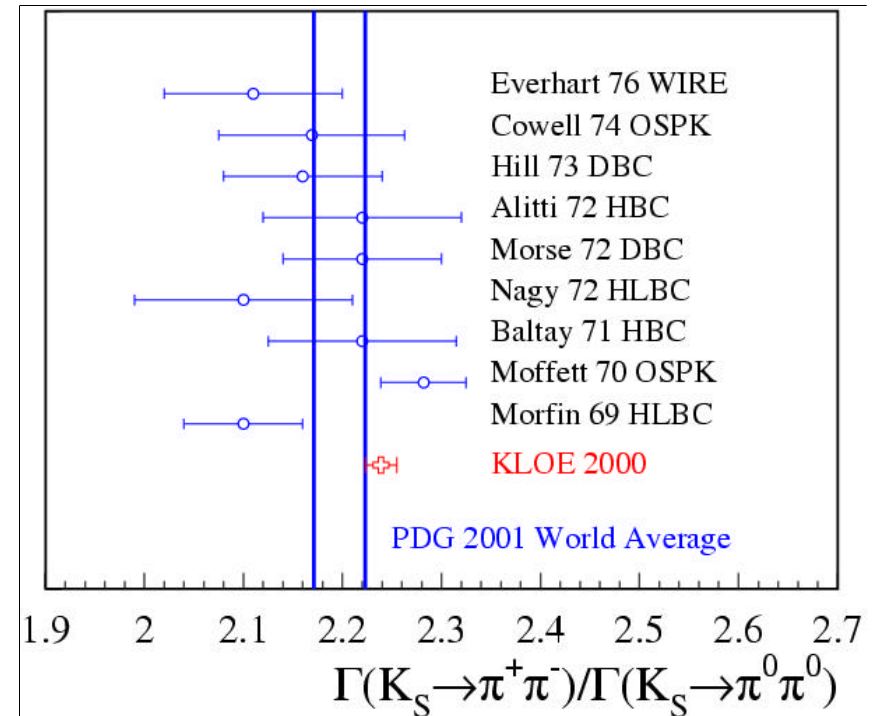
Trigger **0.23%**

Total syst. uncertainty **0.68%**

PDG 2001 average is

$$2.197 \pm 0.026$$

(without clear indication of E_γ^* cut)

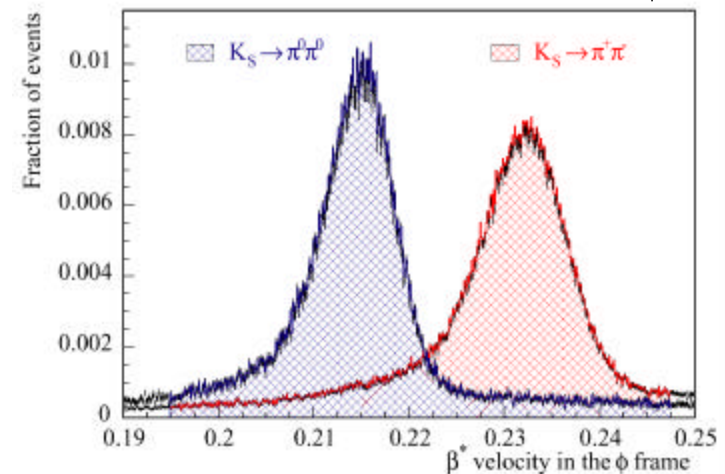


With 2001 data (180 pb⁻¹) improvement on:

→ absolute scale → tagg. eff. Bias

→ statistics of control sub-samples

→ E_γ^* spectrum



(2) BR(K_S → p[±] e[±] n)

Motivation:

→ If (CPT ok) .AND. (DS=DQ at work):

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(K_S \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\pm \nu) &= \Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\pm \nu) \\ \text{BR}(K_S \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\pm \nu) &= \text{BR}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\pm \nu) \times (\Gamma_L/\Gamma_S) \\ &= (6.704 \pm 0.071) \times 10^{-4}\end{aligned}$$

(using all PDG information).

Only one measurement (CMD-2 1999):

$$= (7.2 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-4}$$

Selection procedure

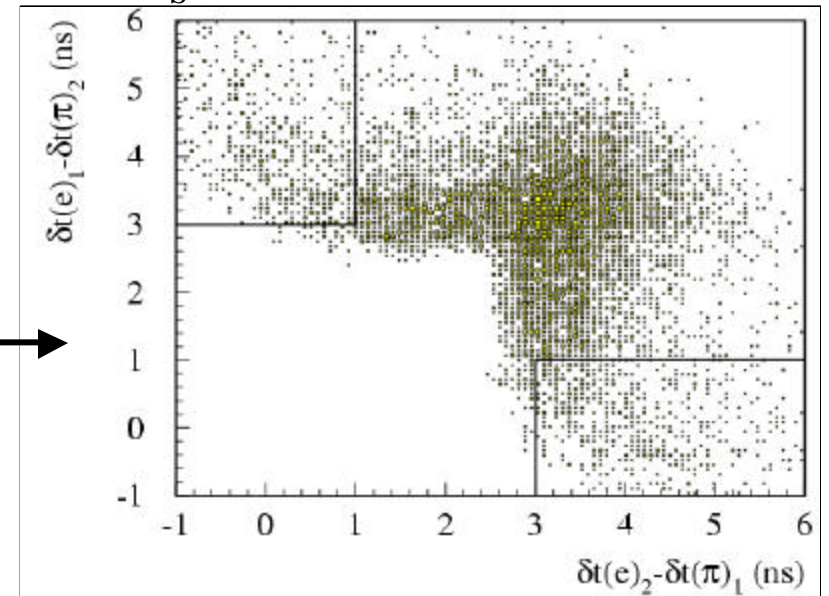
- Vertex with two tracks from I.P.
- kinematics (against huge π⁺π⁻ “background”)
- time of flight (electron vs pion)
- final signal variable = E_{miss} - |p_{miss}|

BR evaluation:

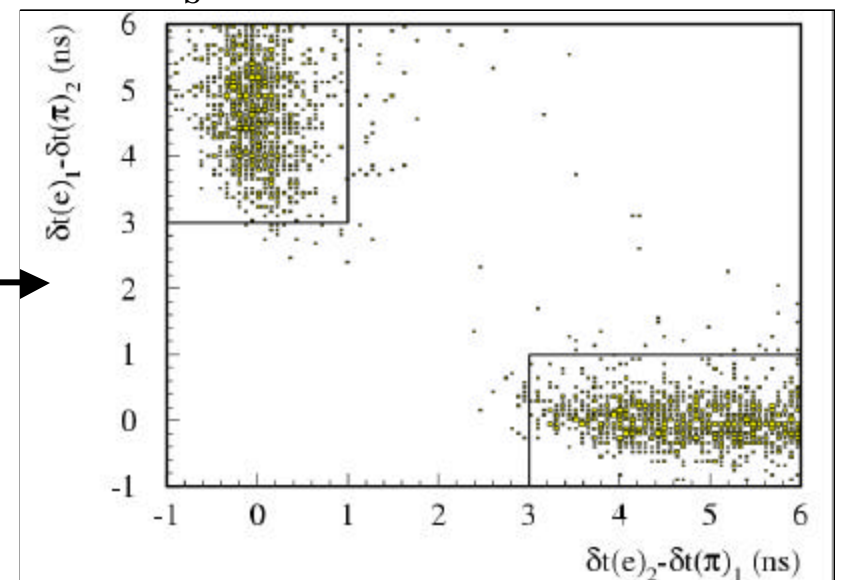
- normalization to K_S → π⁺π⁻ (σ(BR)~0.5%)
- both charge states are considered
(well separated → charge asymmetry)

ToF selection illustrated for MC:

1. K_S → π⁺π⁻ MC events



2. K_S → π[±] e[±] ν MC events



Result:

$$\rightarrow N_{\text{ev}}(\text{K}_S \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\pm \nu) = 627 \pm 30$$

[after the fit, residual background subtraction is included]

$$\text{BR}(\text{K}_S \rightarrow p^\pm e^\pm n) = (6.79 \pm 0.33_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.16_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

→ stat. uncertainty at 4.7% level

→ contributions to systematics:

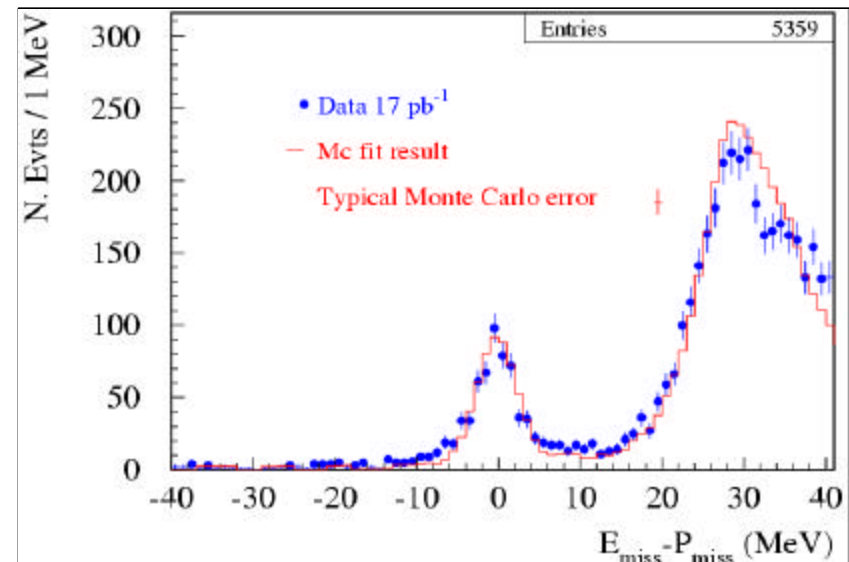
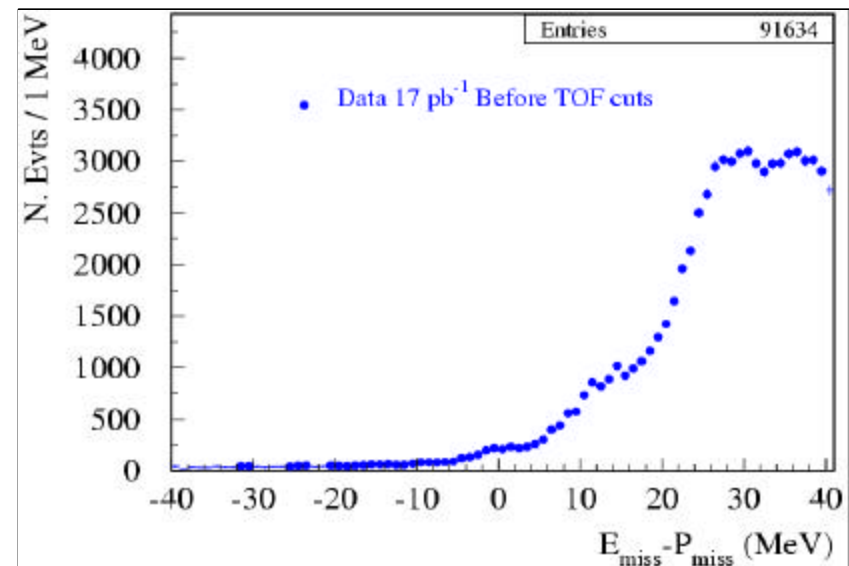
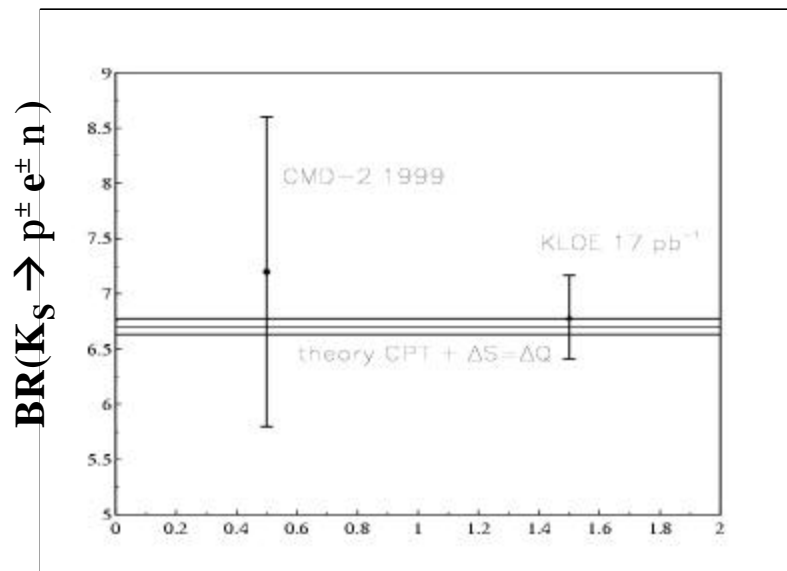
tag eff, ratio **0.6%**

tracking + vertex **2.0%**

time of flight **0.8%**

trigger + t0 **0.9%**

Total systematics **2.4%**



5. Results on ϕ radiative decays

$$1. \quad \phi \rightarrow \text{Pseudoscalar} + \gamma \quad \rightarrow \mathbf{h}\gamma \quad \rightarrow \mathbf{p}^0\gamma \quad \rightarrow \mathbf{h}'\gamma$$

According to quark model:

→ assuming: no other content (e.g. gluonic))

$$\mathbf{p}^0 = (uu-dd)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$\mathbf{h} = \cos\mathbf{a}_P (uu+dd)/\sqrt{2} + \sin\mathbf{a}_P ss$$

$$\mathbf{h}' = -\sin\mathbf{a}_P (uu+dd)/\sqrt{2} + \cos\mathbf{a}_P ss$$

→ assuming: $\phi = ss$ state ($\alpha_V=0$)

→ assuming: no OZI-rule violations

$$g(\phi \rightarrow \eta'\gamma) = F_s \cos\alpha_V \cos\mathbf{a}_P - F_q \sin\alpha_V \sin\mathbf{a}_P$$

$$g(\phi \rightarrow \eta\gamma) = F_s \cos\alpha_V \sin\mathbf{a}_P + F_q \sin\alpha_V \cos\mathbf{a}_P$$

($\alpha_V \alpha_P$ = mixing angles in the flavour base)

($F_s F_q$ = form factors)

$$\mathbf{R} = \frac{G(f \rightarrow \mathbf{h}'g)}{G(f \rightarrow \mathbf{h}g)} = \cotg^2\mathbf{a}_P \left(\frac{\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{h}'}}{\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{h}}} \right)^3$$

Decay chain used: (same topology $2T + 3$ photons / final states different kinematics)

(a) $\phi \rightarrow \eta\gamma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\gamma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- 3\gamma$

(b) $\phi \rightarrow \eta'\gamma \rightarrow \eta\pi^+\pi^-\gamma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- 3\gamma$

Selection:

$\rightarrow 2t (E_{T1}+E_{T2}<430 \text{ MeV}) + 3\gamma$: kin. fit (no mass constraint)

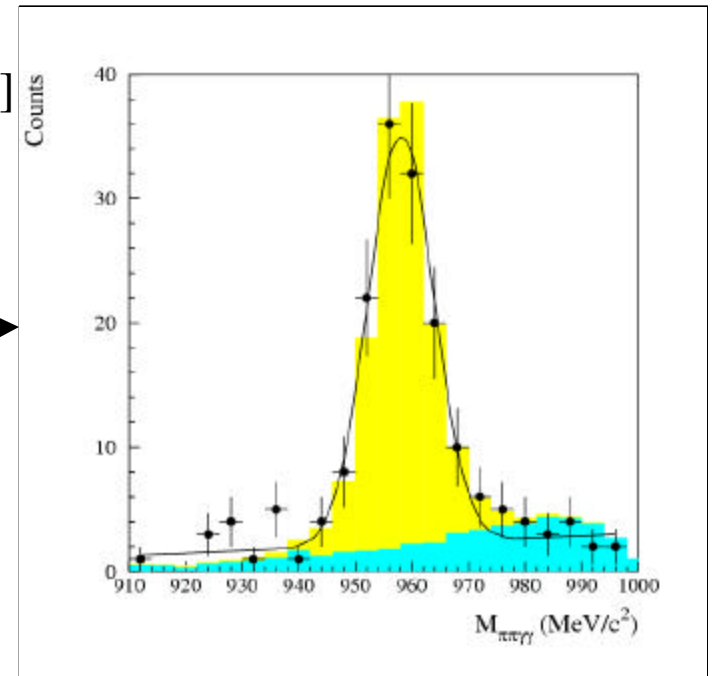
\rightarrow only (a) and (b) (negligible bkg.) BUT $[N(b) \sim N(a) / 100]$

Results:

$$N(a) = 50210 \pm 220$$

$$N(b) = 125 \pm 13_{\text{stat+bck}}$$

Invariant mass spectrum
of $\eta'\gamma$ \longrightarrow



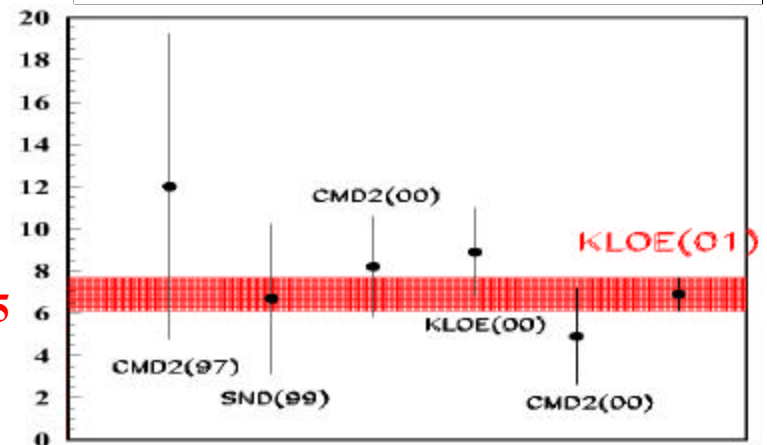
$$R = \frac{\text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow \eta'\gamma)}{\text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow \eta\gamma)} = (5.0 \pm 0.5_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.3_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\rightarrow a_p = (40.8 \pm 1.7)^\circ \quad [\theta_p = (-13.9 \pm 1.7)^\circ]$$

$$\alpha_p = (39.3 \pm 1.0)^\circ \quad \text{J}/\psi \text{ decays and others}$$

[Feldmann Kroll 2002]

$$\rightarrow \text{BR}(f \rightarrow h'\gamma) = (6.5 \pm 0.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.4_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-5}$$



2. $\phi \rightarrow$ Scalar (0^{++} quantum numbers) + γ [$f_0(980)$ I=0, $a_0(980)$ I=1]

$\rightarrow p^0 p^0 g$ ($f_0 \gamma \sigma \gamma, f_0, \sigma \rightarrow \pi\pi$) \rightarrow 5 γ final state

$\rightarrow p^+ p^- \gamma$ (“ ”) \rightarrow 2t + 1 γ final state: huge background from:
ISR (radiative return)

FSR + interference (signal “hidden”)

$\rightarrow hp^0 g$ ($a_0 \gamma a_0 \rightarrow \eta\pi$) [$\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$] \rightarrow 5 γ final state (40%)

[$\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$] \rightarrow 9 γ final state (32%)

[$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$] \rightarrow 2t + 5 γ final state (23%)

Motivations:

f_0, a_0 , not easily interpreted as qq states; other interpretations suggested:

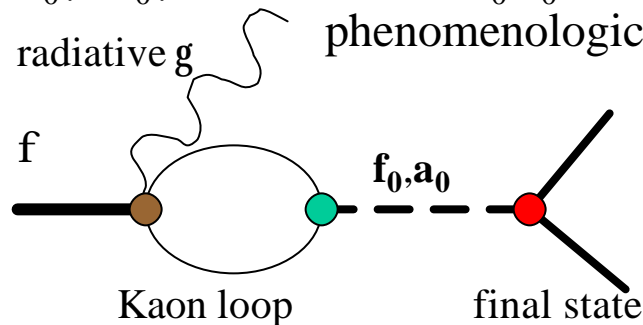
\rightarrow $qqqq$ states (lower mass) [*Jaffe 1977*];

\rightarrow KK molecule ($m(f_0, a_0) \sim 2m(K)$) [*Weinstein, Isgur 1990*];

$\rightarrow f_0(980), a_0(980)$ and $\sigma \rightarrow$ lowest mass scalar qq nonet [*Tornqvist 1999*]

$\phi \rightarrow f_0 \gamma, a_0 \gamma \rightarrow$ sensitive to f_0, a_0 nature [*Achasov, Ivanchenko 1989*]:

radiative g phenomenological framework (**kaon loop** model) \rightarrow coupling constants



● $g(\phi KK)$

● $g(f_0 KK) g(a_0 KK)$

● $g(f_0 \pi\pi) g(a_0 \eta\pi)$

from $\Gamma(\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-)$

f_0, a_0 model

$M(\pi^0 \pi^0) M(\eta\pi)$ spectra

$f \rightarrow p^0 p^0 g$

Main background sources (5 γ final states):

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega\pi^0 \quad \omega \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$$

$$\phi \rightarrow \eta\pi^0\gamma \quad \eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

Other background sources (not 5 γ final states):

$$\phi \rightarrow \eta\gamma \quad \eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma (3\gamma) \text{ or } \eta \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0 (7\gamma)$$

Selection procedure:

→ 5 prompt γ $E_\gamma > 7$ MeV

→ kinematic fit (without mass const.)

Result:

$$N_{ev} = 2438 \pm 61$$

$$\rightarrow BR(\phi \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\gamma) = (1.09 \pm 0.03_{stat} \pm 0.05_{syst}) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{CMD-2} \quad (0.92 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{SND} \quad (1.14 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-4}$$

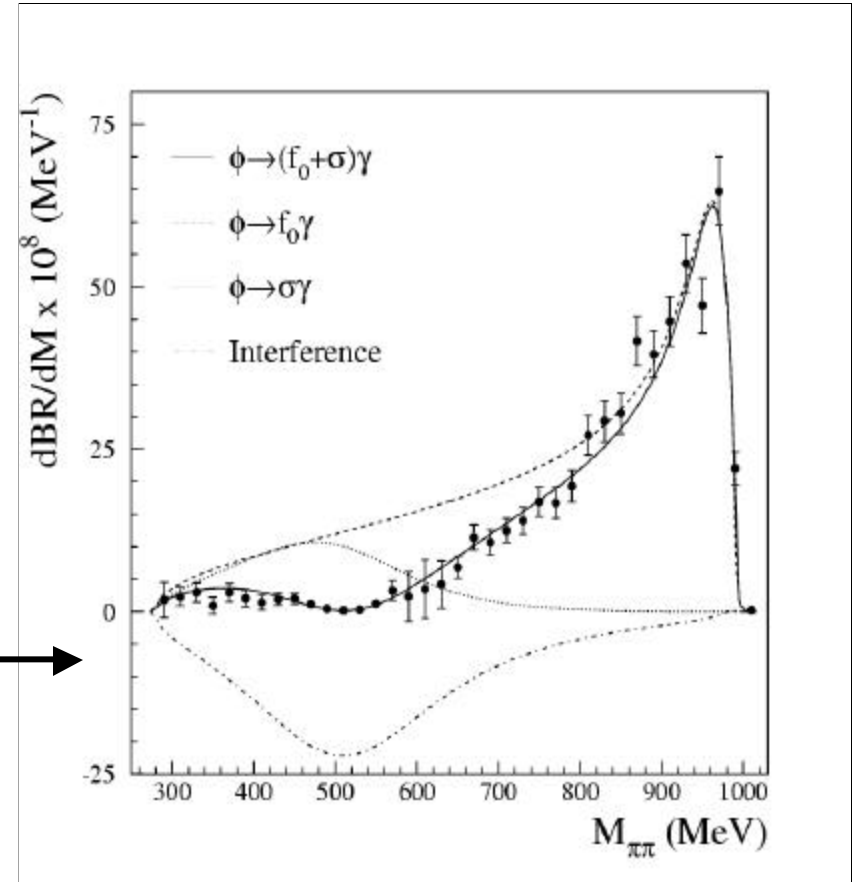
Fit to the $M_{p^0 p^0}$ spectrum (kaon loop):

contributions from $\phi \rightarrow f_0\gamma$

$\phi \rightarrow \sigma\gamma$

+ “strong” negative interference

negligible contribution $\phi \rightarrow \rho^0\pi^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\gamma$



Fit results:

$$M(f_0) = 973 \pm 1 \text{ MeV}$$

$$g^2(f_0 KK)/4\pi = 2.79 \pm 0.12 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$g(f_0\pi\pi) / g(f_0 KK) = 0.50 \pm 0.01$$

$$g(\phi\sigma\gamma) = 0.060 \pm 0.008$$

$$BR(\phi \rightarrow f_0\gamma \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\gamma) = (1.49 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-4}$$

$f \rightarrow hp^0g$

Measured in 2 final states:

(Sample 1) $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (5 γ)

- $\rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\gamma$ is the main background
- $\rightarrow 5\gamma$ selection (see $\pi^0\pi^0\gamma$) + kinem. fit

(Sample 2) $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ (2t + 5 γ)

- \rightarrow Negligible bckg with the same topology:

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega\pi^0 \quad \omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0 \quad 2t + 4\gamma$$

$$\phi \rightarrow K_S K_L \quad (K_L \text{ prompt decay}) \quad 2t + 4/6\gamma$$

- $\rightarrow 2t + 5\gamma$ selection + kinem.fit

Results:

(Sample1) $N_{ev} = 916$ $N_{bck} = 309 \pm 20$

$\rightarrow BR(\phi \rightarrow \eta\pi^0\gamma) = (8.5 \pm 0.5_{stat} \pm 0.6_{syst}) \times 10^{-5}$

(Sample2) $N_{ev} = 197$ $N_{bck} = 4 \pm 4$

$\rightarrow BR(\phi \rightarrow \eta\pi^0\gamma) = (8.0 \pm 0.6_{stat} \pm 0.5_{syst}) \times 10^{-5}$

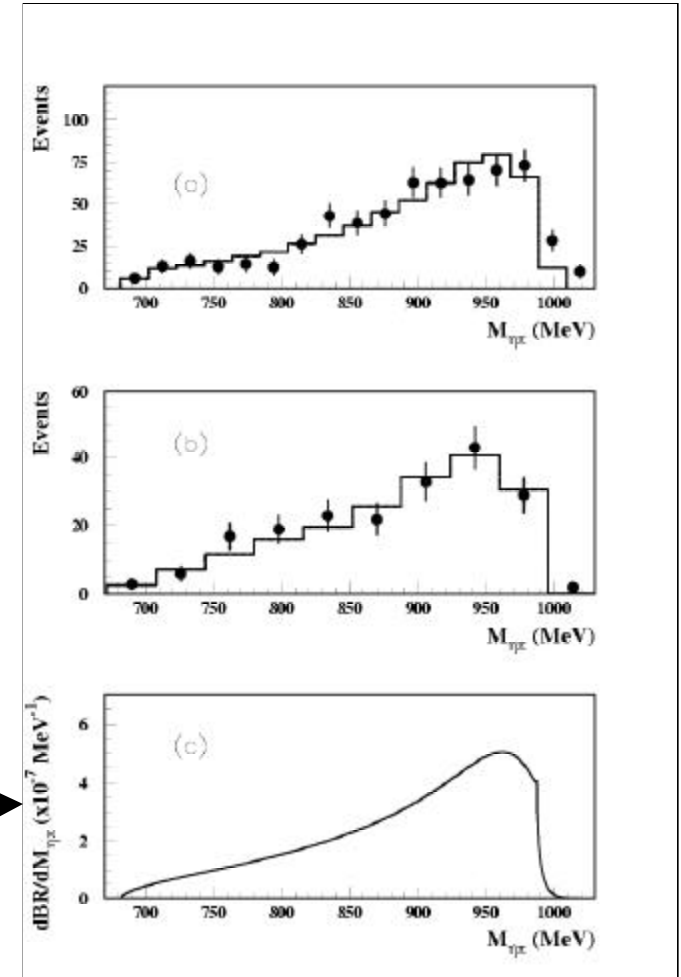
CMD-2 $(9.0 \pm 2.4 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-5}$

SND $(8.8 \pm 1.4 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-5}$

Combined fit to the M_{hp^0} spectra:

dominated by $\phi \rightarrow a_0\gamma$

negligible $\phi \rightarrow \rho^0\pi^0 \rightarrow \eta\pi^0\gamma$



Fit results:

$M(a_0) = 984.8$ MeV (PDG)

$g^2(a_0 KK)/4\pi = 0.40 \pm 0.04$ GeV²

$g(a_0\eta\pi) / g(a_0 KK) = 1.35 \pm 0.09$

$\rightarrow BR(\phi \rightarrow a_0\gamma \rightarrow \eta\pi^0\gamma) = (7.4 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-5}$

Interpretation of KLOE results on scalars [within the context of **kaon-loop** with point-like coupling of scalars to kaon pairs framework]:

(preliminary)

parameter	KLOE result	4q model
$g^2(f_0\text{KK})/4p$ (GeV ²)	2.79 ± 0.12	“super-allowed” (few GeV ²)
$g(f_0\text{pp}) / g(f_0\text{KK})$	0.50 ± 0.01	0.3-0.5
$g^2(a_0\text{KK})/4p$ (GeV ²)	0.40 ± 0.04	“super-allowed” (few GeV ²)
$g(a_0\text{hp}) / g(a_0\text{KK})$	1.35 ± 0.09	0.91

→ 4q doesn't describe a_0 parameters;

→ 4q compatible with f_0 parameters;

→ f_0/a_0 ratio sensitive to isospin mixing [*Close Kirke 2001*]:

$$\frac{\text{BR}(f \rightarrow f_0 g)}{\text{BR}(f \rightarrow a_0 g)} = 6.0 \pm 0.6 ; \quad \frac{g^2(f_0\text{KK})}{g^2(a_0\text{KK})} = 6.9 \pm 1.0$$

if $F_{f_0}(\text{R}) = F_{a_0}(\text{R}) \rightarrow q_s = (47 \pm 2)^\circ$ [no isospin mixing $\rightarrow \theta_s = 45^\circ$]

6. Conclusions and perspectives

- **DAFNE** performance has improved considerably during the first two years of KLOE data taking
- **KLOE** detector well performing and under control
- From **2000 data** (25 pb⁻¹) results on:
 - K_S decays
 - φ radiative decays
 - improve previous “PDG” knowledge
- Analysis of **2001 data** (190 pb⁻¹) in progress. Expected new results will be:
 - rare K_S decays [→ π⁺π⁻γ, → γγ, limits on → 3π]
 - K_L decays [→ γγ, → π⁰π⁰]
 - K[±] decays
 - η decays (6 x 10⁶ η produced) [chiral perturbation theory checks]
 - hadronic cross-section σ(e⁺e⁻ → π⁺π⁻) 2m_π < W < m_φ
- **Data taking 2002** starting now → 500 pb⁻¹ realistic by end of the year