KTeV results for
$$K_L \to \pi \pi \gamma^{(*)}$$
 and $K_L \to \pi \pi \pi \gamma^{(*)}$

Introduction

Hadronic radiative decays of neutral kaons with real and virtual photons give insight into structure of the kaon

In this talk, resent KTeV results for

$$K_L \to \pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma$$

$$K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma \text{ and } K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$$

$$K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma \text{ and } K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 e^+ e^-$$

KTeV Experiment

Collaboration: about 80 physicists from Arizona, Campinas, Chicago, Colorado, Elmhurst, Fermilab, Osaka, Rice, Rutgers, Sao Paulo, UCLA, UCSD, Virginia, Wisconsin

Experiment: at Fermilab, took data in 1996-1997 and 1999







Direct emission of γ . Lowest possible multipole for γ is E2 (assume CP conservation)

Has not been observed yet

Theoretical predictions:

▶ P.Heiliger and L.M.Sehgal (Phys.Lett.B307,182) by comparing DE(E2) in $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma$ and DE(M1) in $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$:

 $BR = 1 \times 10^{-8}$

► In ChPT, vanishes in O(p⁴). G.Ecker, H.Neufeld and A.Pich (Nucl.Phys.B413,321) estimated this amplitude to O(p⁶):

$$BR = 7 \times 10^{-11}$$

Previous experimental results:

► *Direct* search for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma$ by NA31 (Phys.Lett.B328:528,1994). 5 photons in a final state. Found 3 candidate events with estimated background of 2.2+-0.9 events.

$$BR < 5.6 \times 10^{-6} (90\% CL)$$

► Indirect experimental result by KTeV using $K_L \to \pi^0 \pi^0 e^+ e^-$ upper limit $BR < 6.6 \times 10^{-9} (90\% CL)$ (Phys.Rev.Lett. 89,211801,2002). This mode also has E2 DE amplitude. Using $BR(\pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma)/BR(\pi^0 \pi^0 e^+ e^-) = 50$ (P.Heiliger and L.M.Sehgal)

 $BR < 3.3 \times 10^{-7} (90\% CL)$

KTeV search for
$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma$$

Final state:

- one $\pi^0 \to \gamma \gamma$
- the other $\pi^0 \to e^+ e^- \gamma$
- KTeV triggers provide best Single Event Sensitivity (SES) for this final state configuration

Normalization mode: $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$

- one $\pi^0 \to e^+ e^- \gamma$
- one π⁰ → γγ has γ missing in CsI beam hole
- same final state as a signal (4 γ's and e⁺e⁻ pair)
- clean, easy to reconstruct

Figure: Invariant mass of $\gamma\gamma$ for normalization mode where one of the γ is missing in CsI beam hole which 4-vector momentum is reconstructed using kinematic constrains. Dots are DATA. Histogram is Monte Carlo simulations



Blind Analysis. Major background is $K_L \to \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$ Scattered plots: transverse momentum squared vs invariant mass of $\pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma$ after all analysis cuts. Red box is a signal region.



Background level is 1.66 ± 0.59 events. Zero events observed in DATA.

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KTeV preliminary result:

Single Event Sensitivity from $\sim 40\%$ of KTeV dataset:

$$SES = 1.47 \times 10^{-7}$$

Expected background

$$n_b = 1.66 \pm 0.59$$

Zero events observed in the signal region

Combining statistical and systematic uncertainties, the upper limit:

$$BR(K_L \to \pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma) < 2.52 \times 10^{-7} (90\% CL)$$

- Factor 22 improvement to NA31 result
- Analysis of the *full* KTeV dataset is in progress

Contributions to
$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$$
 and $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma^*$



KTeV sample of $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$

- 1997 dataset of E832 (collected during ε'/ε data taking)
- After all analysis cuts: 112.1×10^3 candidates for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ decays including background.
- Estimated level of background is 671 events. Most of the background events are $K_L \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \mu^{\mp} \nu$ and $K_L \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \nu$ decays

Figure: Invariant mass of $\pi^+\pi^-\gamma$ after all analysis cuts. Dots are DATA, blue histogram is signal Monte Carlo, green histogram is background Monte Carlo



KTeV sample of $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$

- Full KTeV dataset (both 1997 and 1999 E799 data)
- After all analysis cuts: 5241 candidates for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^$ decays including background.
- Estimated level of background is 204 events. Most of the background events are $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ decays where $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$ and γ is not detected

Figure: Invariant mass of $\pi^+\pi^-e^+e^-$ after all analysis cuts



Analysis of $K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ and $K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma^*$

Both modes were analyzed in a similar manner:

- Maximum Likelihood fit of fully differential matrix element to DATA
 - 2-dimensional for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$
 - 5-dimensional for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$
- Matrix elements for both decay modes include amplitudes:
 - Inner bremstrahlung
 - M1 Direct Emission
 - E1 Direct Emission
- ► $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$ matrix element also has Charge Radius amplitude
- ► Fit parameters are related to couplings for each amplitude in matrix element and will be discussed in the following slides
 - 3-parameter fit for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$
 - 4-parameter fit for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$

Direct Emission Form Factor

Direct Emission coupling requires energy dependence:

$$|g_{M1}| = \tilde{g}_{M1} \left[1 + \frac{a_1/a_2}{(M_{\rho}^2 - M_K^2) + 2M_K E_{\gamma}} \right]$$

KTeV results from $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ (PRELIMINARY):

 $\begin{array}{l} \frac{a_1}{a_2} = (-0.738 \pm 0.007 \pm 0.018) \ GeV^2 \\ \tilde{g}_{M1} = 1.198 \pm 0.035 \pm 0.086 \end{array}$

KTeV results from $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$: $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = (-0.744 \pm 0.027 \pm 0.032) \ GeV^2$ $\tilde{g}_{M1} = 1.11 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.08$ **Figure:** 90% contours for \tilde{g}_{M1} vs a_1/a_2 for known experimental results:

- 1 KTeV($\pi\pi\gamma$), PRL 86,761(2001)
- 2 KTeV(ππee), PRL 84,408(2000)
- 3 NA48($\pi\pi ee$), EPJ C30,33(2003)
- 4 KTeV($\pi\pi ee$), This Result
- 5 KTeV($\pi\pi\gamma$), This Result



Search for CP violating E1 Direct Emission

Both $K_L \to \pi^+\pi^-\gamma$ and $K_L \to \pi^+\pi^-e^+e^-$ analyses attempted to measure CP violating amplitude of direct emission of E1 photon. No experimental evidence for this amplitude is found.

• KTeV results from $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$ (PRELIMINARY):

 $|g_{E1}| < 0.21(90\% CL)$

• KTeV results from $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$:

 $|g_{E1}| < 0.03(90\% CL)$

Despite higher statistics in $K_L \to \pi^+\pi^-\gamma$ sample, it has less sensitivity to $|g_{E1}|$ because phase space has only 2 dimensions (compared to 5-dimensional phase space for $K_L \to \pi^+\pi^-e^+e^-$)

These KTeV results for E1 are the first experimental attempts to measure this amplitude

Neutral Kaon Charge Radius

► KTeV result for Charge Radius amplitude in $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$

 $|g_{CR}| = 0.163 \pm 0.014 \pm 0.023$

 This coupling is proportional to K⁰ charge radius

$$|g_{CR}| = -\frac{1}{3} \langle R_K^2 \rangle M_K^2$$

- First three published measurements for $\langle R_K^2 \rangle$ used kaon regeneration on free electrons
- ► NA48 and KTeV results are based on $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$

Figure: Comparison of experimental results for $\langle R_K^2 \rangle$



KTeV result for K^0 charge radius

$$\langle R_K^2 \rangle = -0.744 \pm 0.042$$

CP violation in $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$

- ► In $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$, the helicity of γ is not measured and interference between CP violating bremstrahlung and CP concerving Direct Emission amplitudes vanishes.
- ▶ In $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$, the distribution of CP-odd ϕ , the angle between $e^+ e^-$ and $\pi^+ \pi^-$ planes in kaon center of mass, exhibit large CP violating asymmetry:

$$A_{CP} = \frac{\int_{\sin\phi\cos\phi>0} d\Gamma - \int_{\sin\phi\cos\phi<0} d\Gamma}{\Gamma_{TOT}}$$

KTeV result

$$A_{cp} = (13.6 \pm 1.4 \pm 1.5)\%$$



$$K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma$$
 and $K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma^*$ decays

There are no published experimental results for these decays.

► $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma$ decay is dominated by inner brem process.

$$BR(E_{\gamma} > 10 \, MeV) = (1.65 \pm 0.03) \times 10^{-4}$$

G. D'Ambrosio et al, Z. Phys. C 76, 301 (1997).

• Direct emission contribution to $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma$ is estimated to be very small.

$$BR(K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma) \mid_{direct} = (8a_1 + a_2 - 10a_3)^2 \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

where $a_i = O(1)$ are unknown. G. Ecker *et al*, Nucl. Phys. B **413**, 321 (1994)

- There are no theoretical predictions for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 e^+ e^-$
 - Contributions to $K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma$ should also be present in $K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 e^+ e^-$
 - How large is a Charge radius amplitude?

First observation of $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma$



KTeV PRELIMINARY result for $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma$ with $E_{\gamma}^{cm} > 10 \, MeV$

$$BR = (1.38 \pm 0.03_{stat} \pm 0.03_{syst}) \times 10^{-3} BR(K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0)$$

BR = (1.70 \pm 0.03_{stat} \pm 0.04_{syst} \pm 0.03_{norm}) \times 10^{-4}

Good agreement with SM calculations

$$BR(K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma, E_{\gamma}^{cm} > 10 \ MeV) = (1.65 \pm 0.03) \times 10^{-4}$$

First observation of $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma$

- E799II data, using $\pi_D^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$
- clean sample of 2847
- Estimated background level is 128.4±9.2 events
- Normalization mode is $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi_D^0$
- ▶ \sim 40% of KTeV data anayzed



Both KTeV analyses (E832 and E799) result in first observation of $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma$

This decay is dominated by internal bremstrahlung amplitude. We will try to measure Direct Emission amplitude in near future.

First observation of $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 e^+ e^-$

- ▶ E799 data,
- clean sample of 132 candidates
- estimated background level of 1.2±0.9 evt
- Normalization mode is $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi_D^0$
- ▶ \sim 40% of KTeV data anayzed



PRELIMINARY result for BR of $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 e^+ e^-$ for $E_{ee} > 20 MeV$

$$BR = (1.60 \pm 0.18_{stat}) \times 10^{-7}$$

We will try to measure Direct Emission and Charge Radius amplitudes in near future.

Summary

KTeV conducted searches for a number of Hadronic radiative decays of neutral kaons with real and virtual photons

Here is a table of current status:

Real γ	Virtual $\gamma^* ightarrow e^+ e^-$
$K_L ightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma$	$K_L ightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 e^+ e^-$
Preliminary results	Published
$K_L \to \pi^+ \pi^- \gamma$	$K_L ightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$
New Preliminary results	New results, accepted in PRL
$K_L ightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma$	$K_L ightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 e^+ e^-$
New Preliminary results	New Preliminary results
$K_L ightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma$	$K_L ightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0 e^+ e^-$
Analysis in progress	Analysis in progress

More results to come in the future!