



$K \rightarrow 3\pi$ decay results by NA48/2 at CERN SPS

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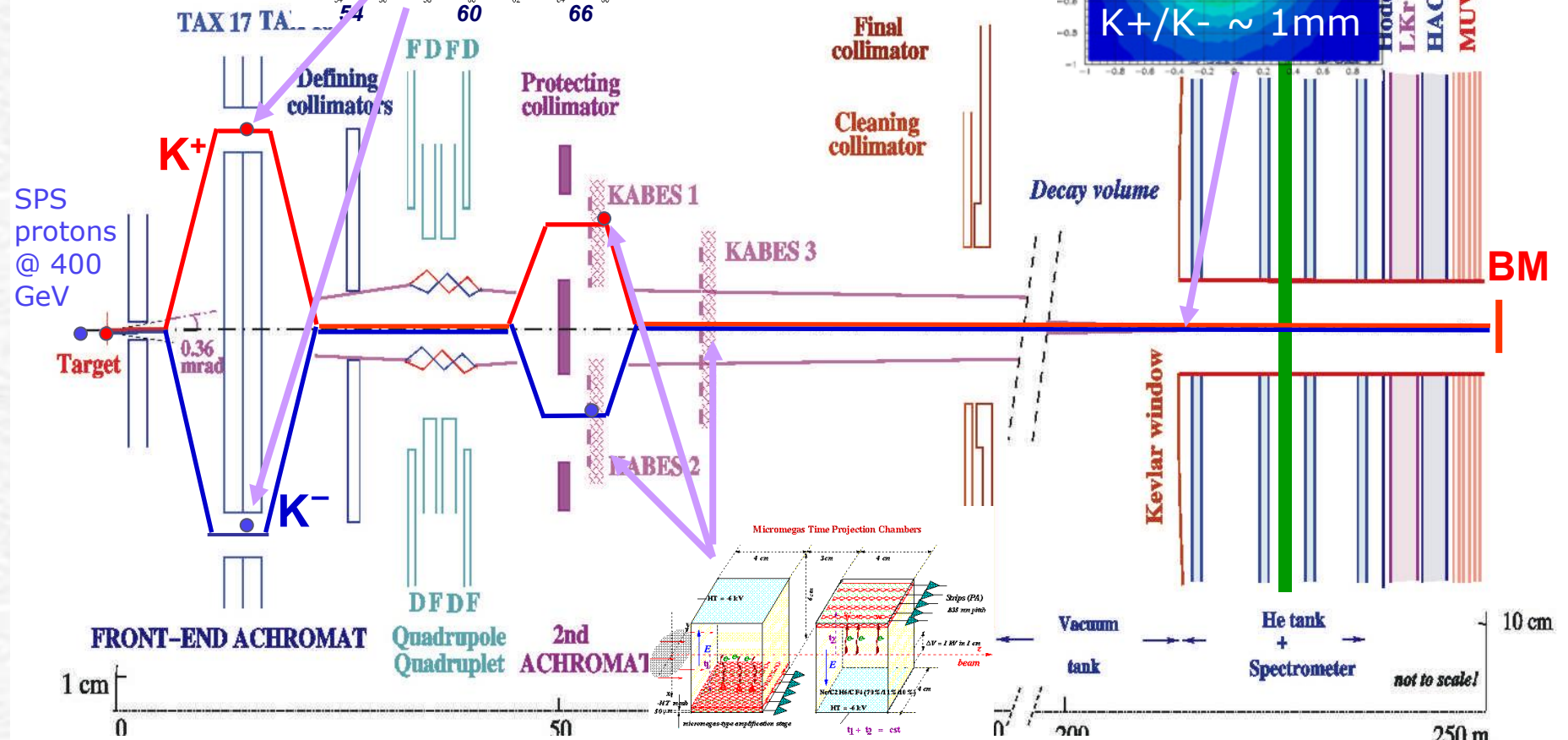
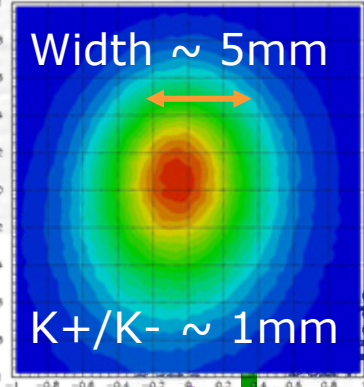
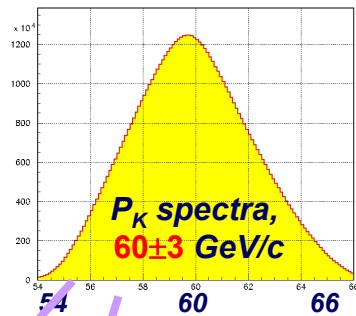
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Outline

- NA48/2 experiment
- Direct CP violation and linear slope asymmetry
 - $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^0 \pi^0$ “neutral” asymmetry
 - $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^+ \pi^-$ “charged” asymmetry
- Dalitz Plot parameters measurement
 - $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^0 \pi^0$: g, h, k
 - $K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^+ \pi^-$: g, h, k
- Conclusions



Simultaneous, unseparated, focused beams

$\delta p/p = 0.7\%$
 $\delta x, y \approx 100 \mu\text{m}$

NA48/2: The detector

Spectrometer:

$$\sigma_p/p = 1.0\% + 0.044\% p \quad [p \text{ in GeV}/c]$$

LKR calorimeter:

$$\sigma_E/E = 3.2\%/\sqrt{E} + 9\%/E + 0.42\% \quad [E \text{ in GeV}]$$

Hodoscope, HAC, MUV, vetos

Kabes

Beam Monitor

Only the Spectrometer, the LKr and the Hodoscope are directly involved in the $K \rightarrow 3\pi$ analysis.

NA48/2: data taking

2003 run: ~ 50 days

2004 run: ~ 60 days

Total statistics 2 years:

$K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^0 \pi^0$: **$\sim 0.91 \cdot 10^8$**

$K^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^+ \pi^-$: **$\sim 3.1 \cdot 10^9$**

Greatest amount of $K \rightarrow 3 \pi$ ever collected

>200 TB of data recorded

Direct CP violation: linear slope asymmetry

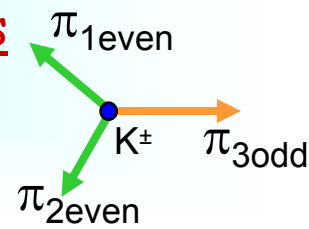
Direct CP violation in $K \rightarrow 3\pi$

- Experimentally is very hard to detect CP violation in the partial decay widths
- Comparison of the Dalitz plot density between K^+ and K^-

Dalitz variables

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

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



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

(3=odd π)

$$3S_0 = m_K^2 + m_\pi^2 + 2m_{\pi^0}^2$$

Matrix element:

$$|M(u,v)|^2 \sim 1 + g u + h u^2 + k v^2 + \dots$$

$$A_g = \frac{g^+ - g^-}{g^+ + g^-}$$



$$A_g \neq 0$$

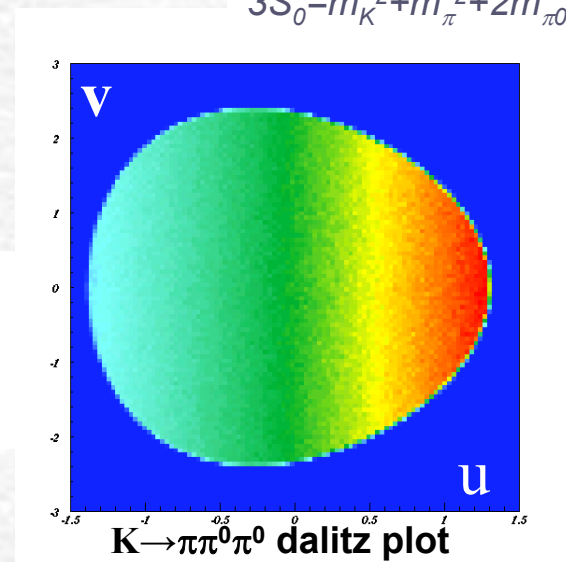


Direct CP violation!!!

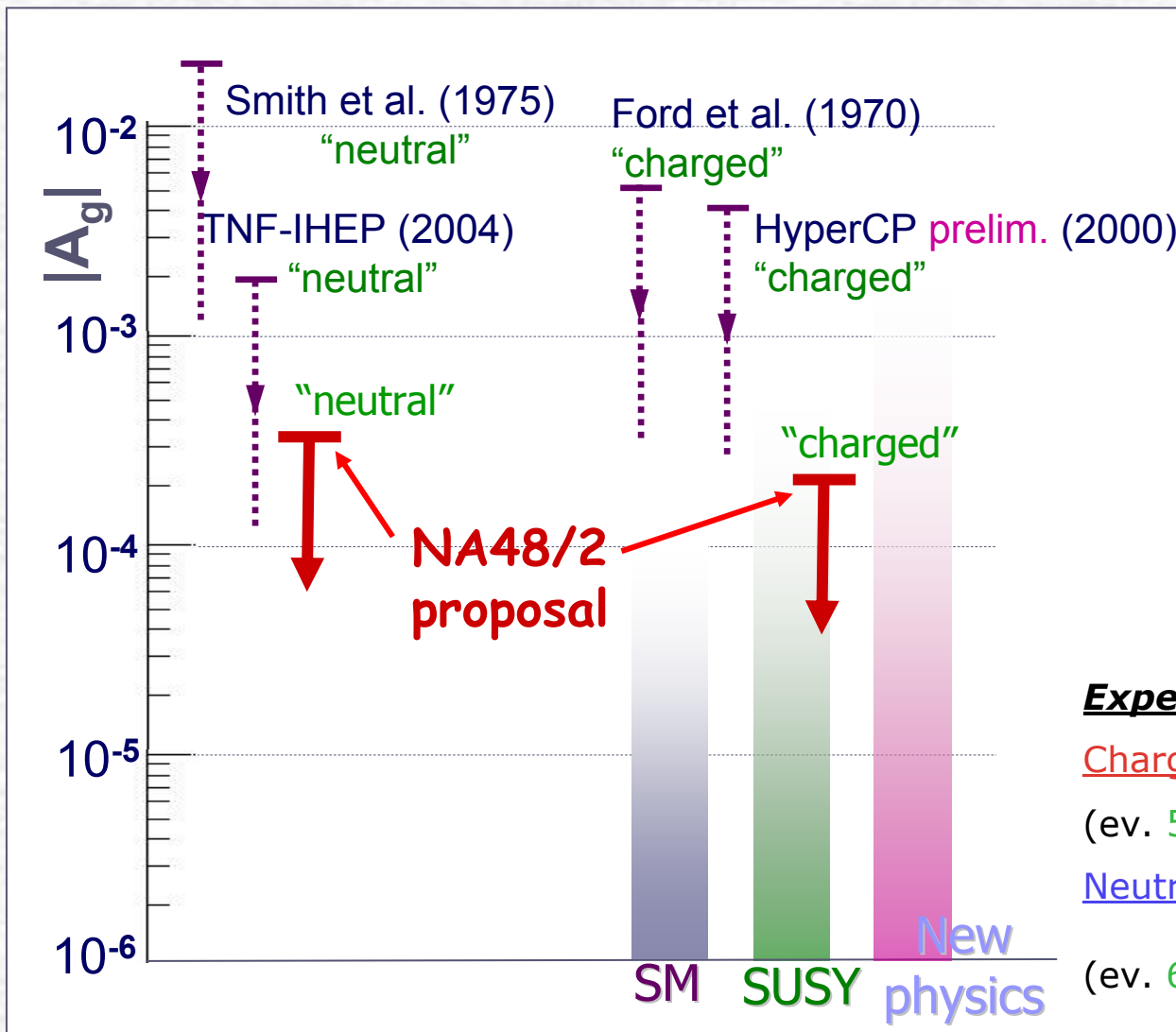
$$g_c = -0.215$$

$$g_n = 0.638$$

$$h, k \ll g$$



Theoretical prediction and experimental results



- SM theoretical prediction in the range $10^{-6} - 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
- Models beyond the SM predict **enhancement** of the A_g value

Experimental results:

Charged mode: $A_g^c = (22 \pm 15 \pm 37) \cdot 10^{-4}$
(ev. $54 \cdot 10^6$)

Neutral mode: $A_g^n = (2 \pm 19) \cdot 10^{-4}$
(ev. $620 \cdot 10^3$)

Method to extract A_g

- Assuming the polynomial matrix element expansion The difference between K^+ and K^- linear slopes in 3π decays ($\Delta g = g^+ - g^-$), could be extracted from the U projections using:

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


"neutral"

$$g^0 = 0.638 \pm 0.020$$

$$R(u) = \frac{N^+(u)}{N^-(u)} \propto N\left(\frac{1 + g^+u + hu^2 + \dots}{1 + g^-u + hu^2 + \dots}\right) \approx N(1 + \Delta g u)$$

"charged"

$$g^+ = -0.2154 \pm 0.0035$$


$$A_g = \frac{\Delta g}{2g}$$

This is valid only if K^+ and K^- beams and acceptance are the same!!!

The presence of magnetic fields (both in beam and detector sector) introduces **instrumental asymmetries** that don't cancel in the simple ratio

Acceptance equalization principle

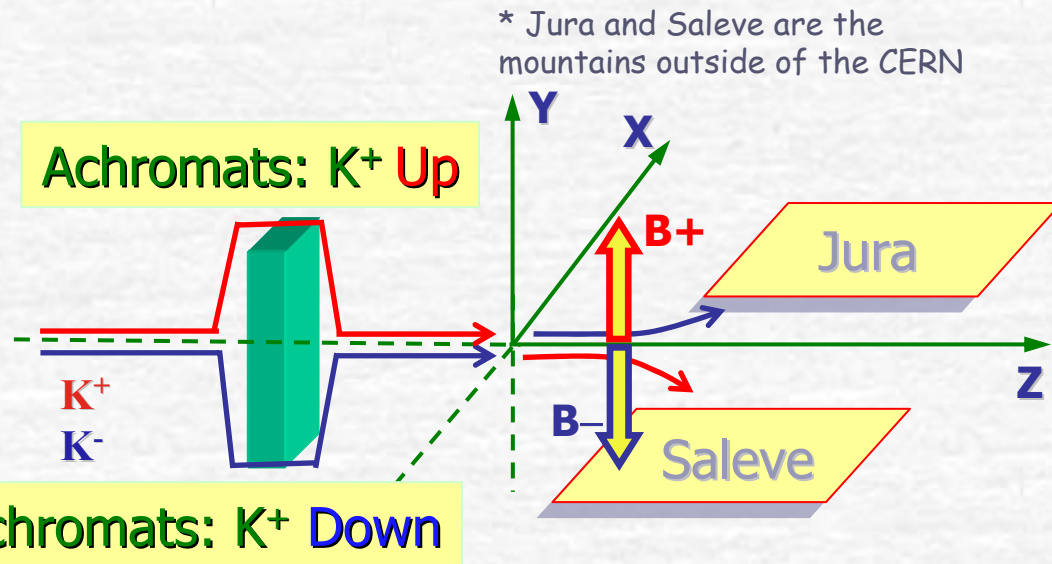
- **Achromats (A)** polarity reversed: weekly in 2003, 1 day in 2004
- **Spectrometer magnet (B)** polarity reversed: 1 day in 2003, 3 hours in 2004

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

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

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

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



- In each ratio the charged pions are deflected towards the **same side** of the detector (*left-right asymmetry cancels out*)
- In each ratio the event at the numerator and denominator are collected in **subsequent period** of data taking (*global time variations*)
- The whole data taking is subdivided periods in which all the field configurations are present (*Super Sample SS*)

Acceptance equalization: 4-ratio

double ratios:

$$R_U = R_{US} * R_{UJ} \approx n(1 + \Delta g_U / f(u))^2$$

$$R_D = R_{DS} * R_{DJ} \approx n(1 + \Delta g_D / f(u))^2$$

$$R_S = R_{US} * R_{DS} \approx n(1 + \Delta g_S / f(u))^2$$

$$R_J = R_{UJ} * R_{DJ} \approx n(1 + \Delta g_J / f(u))^2$$

Same achromat: global time variation (B field inversion) cancellation

Same side (J/S): beam geometry difference cancellation

$\Delta g_{UD} = (\Delta g_U - \Delta g_D) / 2 \rightarrow$ up-down apparatus asymmetry

$\Delta g_{LR} = (\Delta g_S - \Delta g_J) / 2 \rightarrow$ left-right apparatus asymmetry

4-ple ratio:

$$R_4 = R_{US} * R_{UJ} * R_{DS} * R_{DJ} \approx n(1 + \Delta g / f(u))^4$$

MC-independent approach:

A detailed MC is used for systematics studies.

• In the 4-ratio there is a **3-fold cancellation**

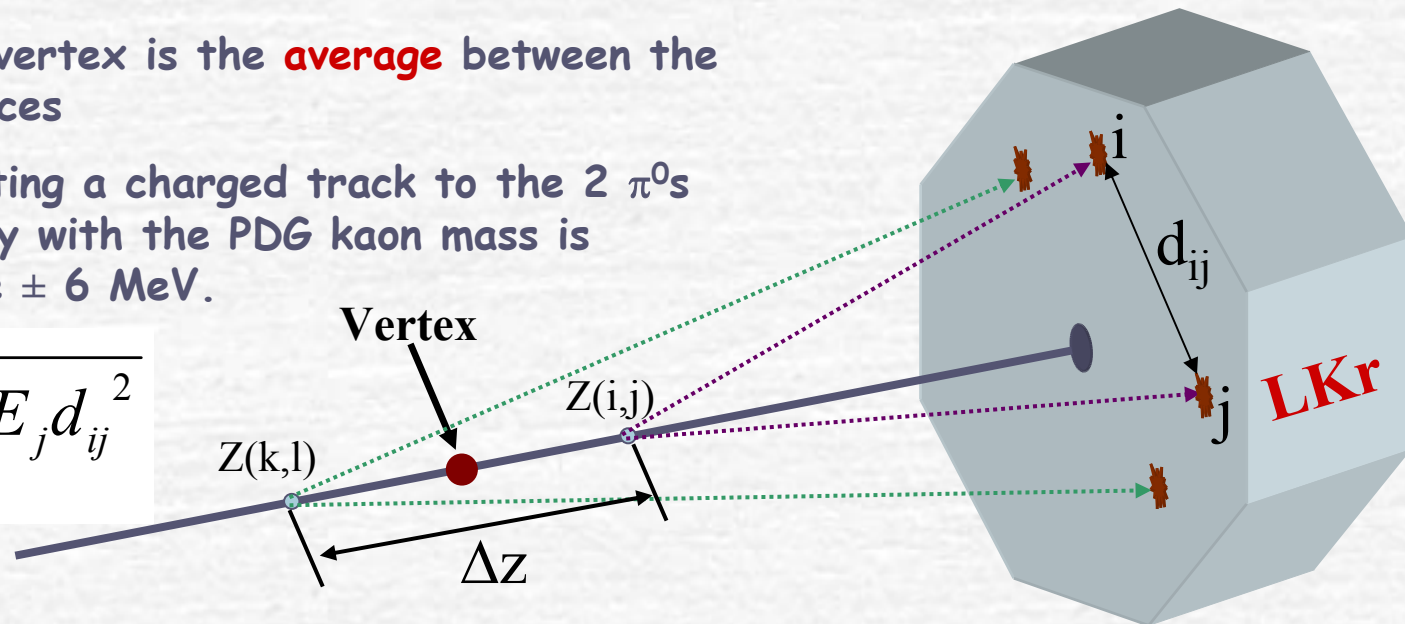
- **Left-right** detector asymmetry
- **Global time variation**
- **Beam line induced differences**

The result is sensitive only to the time variation of acceptance COUPLED to space non uniformity with a characteristic time smaller than the fields alternation period .

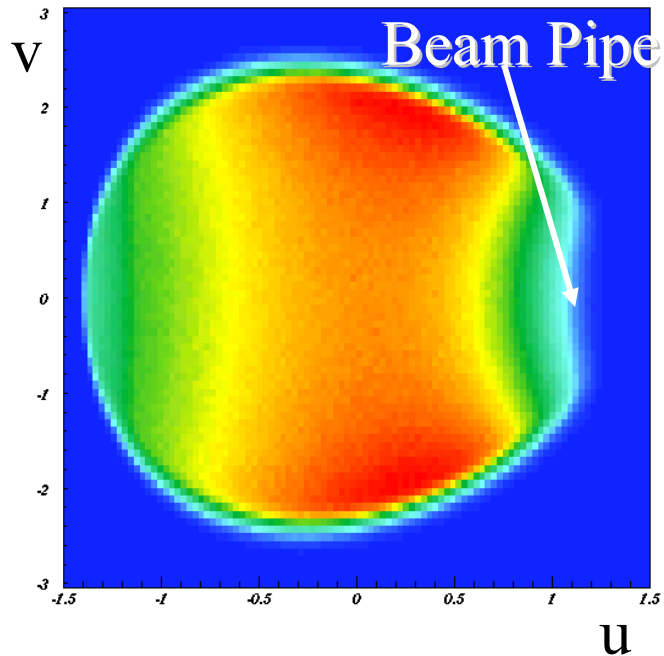
$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: Selection & reconstruction

- **Online selection:** Trigger in 2 Levels:
 - **L1:** CHOD signal (**Q1**: one charged particle) + LKr signal (**NTPEAK**: four gammas)
 - **L2:** Online charged pion missing mass far from the π^0 mass
- **Offline selection:** among all the possible γ pairings, the couple for which $|\Delta z|$ is smallest is selected
 - The K-decay vertex is the **average** between the two decay vertices
 - After associating a charged track to the 2 π^0 s the compatibility with the PDG kaon mass is requested to be ± 6 MeV.

$$Z_{ij} \approx \frac{1}{m_{\pi^0}} \sqrt{E_i E_j d_{ij}^2}$$



$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: Selected events



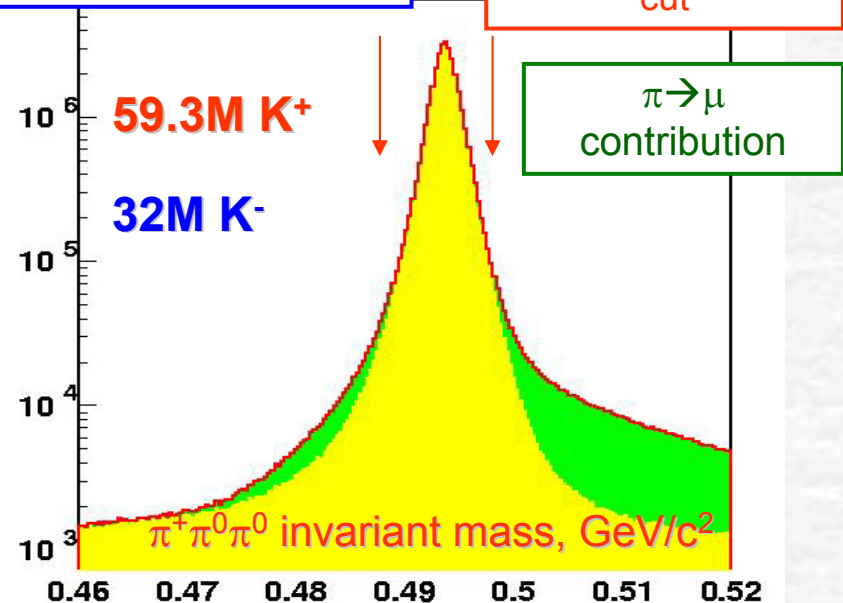
$BR(K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0) = (1.73 \pm 0.04)\%$

$$u = \left(M_{00}^2 - s_0 \right) \frac{1}{m_\pi^2}$$

- The u variable is reconstructed using the **LKr only**
- M_{00} is the $\pi^0\pi^0$ mass
- M_{00} can be also defined as the missing π^+ mass employing **DCH and KABES** (cross check)
- More than $91 \cdot 10^6$ events are selected
- Background free (pratically)

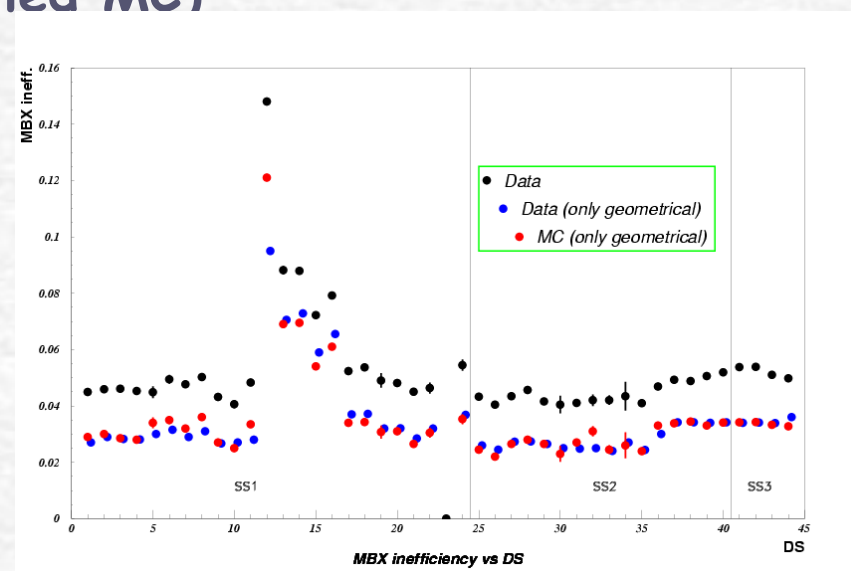
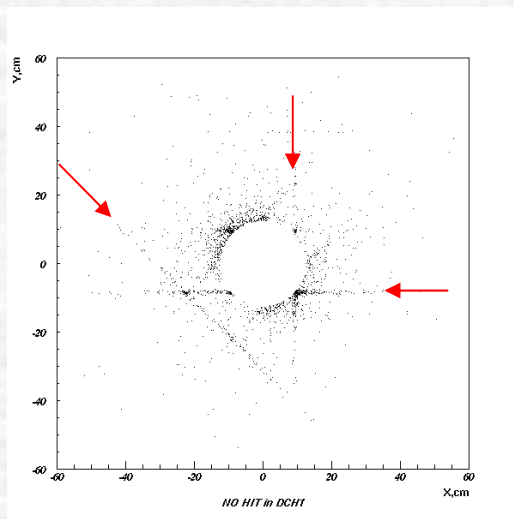
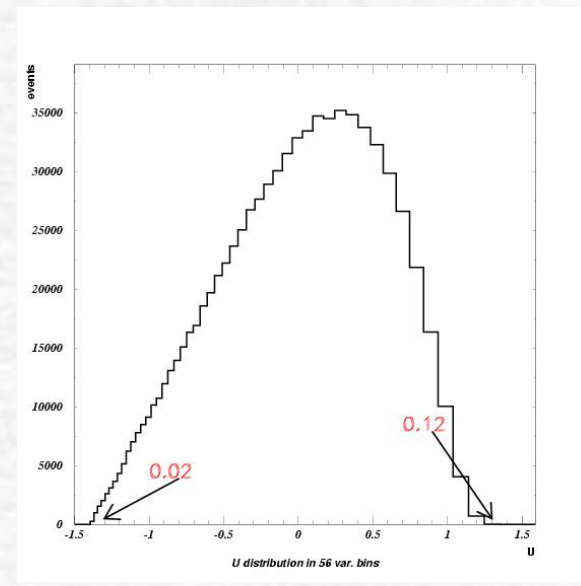
Resolution: $0.9 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

$M_K^{\text{PDG}} \pm 6 \text{ MeV}$
cut

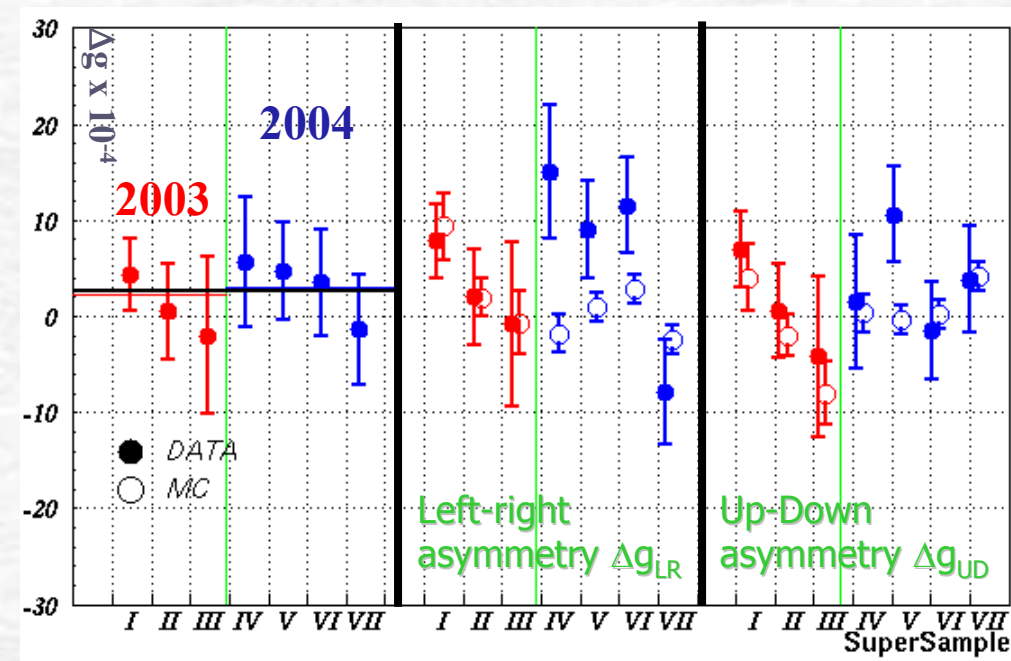


$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: systematics

- Thanks to the 4-uple ratio cancellations, in first approximation **all main system biases cancel**.
- Several sources of systematic uncertainty are studied. (for instance: **resolution effects** are studied using U distribution with bin width proportional to the U resolution, the **L2 trigger geometrical component** is studied using a detailed MC)



$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: Results



Slope difference (03+04 prelim. result):

$$\Delta g = (2.7 \pm 2.0_{\text{stat.}} \pm 1.2_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.3_{\text{ext.}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

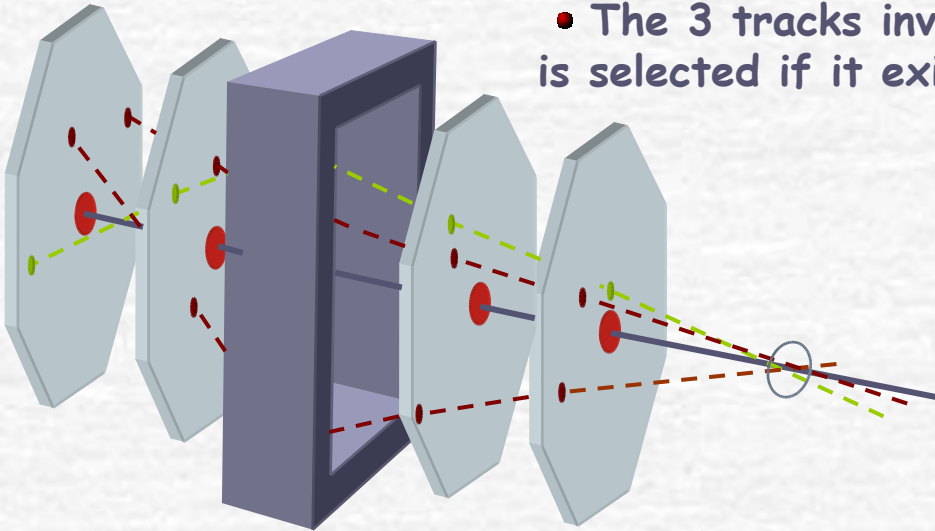
Charge asymmetry parameter (03+04 prelim. result):

$$A_g^0 = (2.1 \pm 1.6_{\text{stat.}} \pm 1.0_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.2_{\text{ext.}}) \times 10^{-4} = (2.1 \pm 1.9) \times 10^{-4}$$

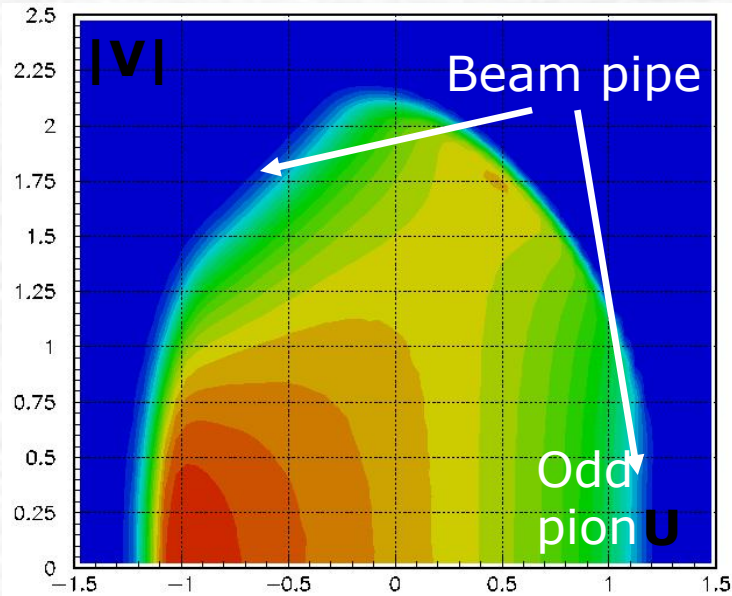
Systematics effect		$\Delta g \times 10^{-4}$
LKr related	U resolution & fitting	± 0.2
	LKr non-linearity	± 0.1
	Showers overlapping	± 0.5
Pion decay		± 0.2
Spectrometer alignment & momentum scale		± 0.1
Pile-up		± 0.2
Trigger	L1: charged signal	± 0.1
	L1: neutral signal	± 0.8
	L2: MassBox	± 0.6
Total		± 1.2
External		± 0.3

$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$: Selection & reconstruction

- Online selection: Trigger in 2 Levels:
 - **L1**: CHOD signal (**Q2**: at least two charged particles)
 - **L2**: Fast three tracks and vertex reconstruction
- Offline selection: the events with at least 3 “good” tracks are selected.
 - The K-decay vertex is obtained propagating the tracks through the “blue field” (Earth magnetic field into the decay region)
 - The 3 tracks invariant mass is reconstructed. The event is selected if it exists at least one combination within ± 9 MeV from the K nominal mass.



$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$: Selected events

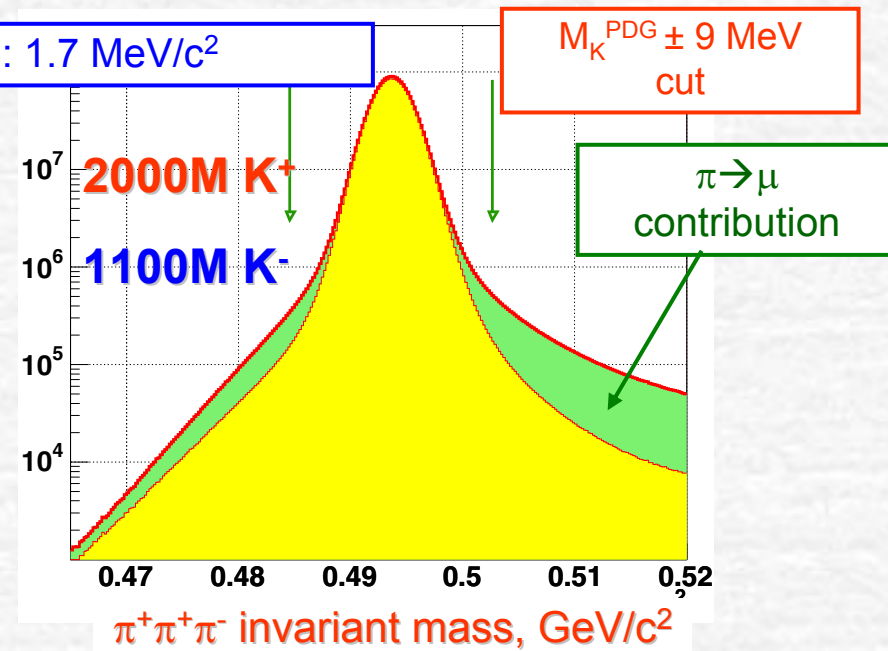


$$\text{BR}(K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-) = (5.576 \pm 0.031)\%$$

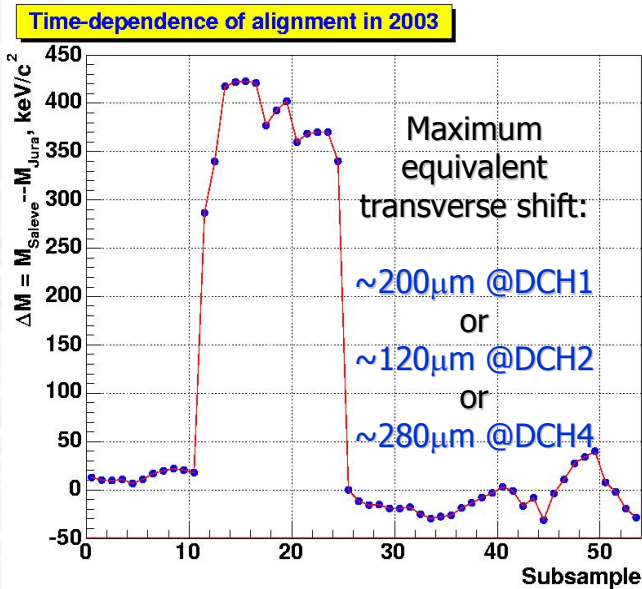
$$u = \left(M_{12}^2 - \frac{m_K^2}{3} \right) \frac{1}{m_\pi^2} - 1$$

- M_{12} is the **even pions** invariant mass
- Others definition (CM, kinematic fit, ..) , with different resolution in different phase space regions, are useful to study systematics.
- About $3.1 \cdot 10^9$ events are selected with negligible background

Resolution: 1.7 MeV/c²

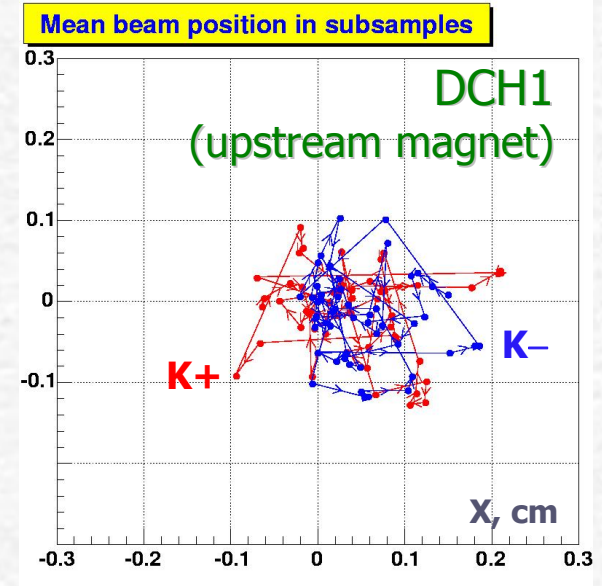


$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$: Systematics

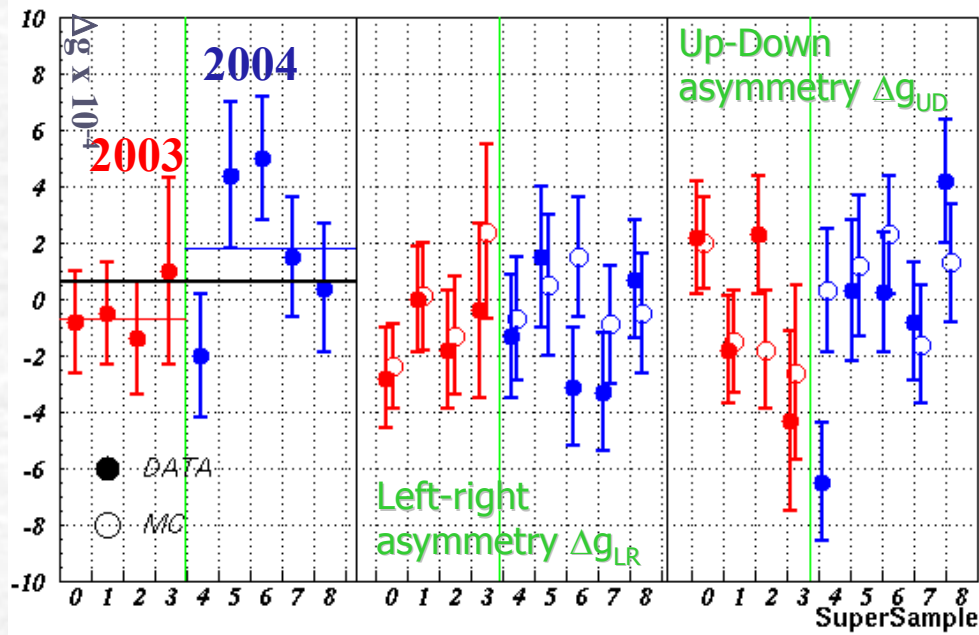


- The small **DCH internal misalignment** is corrected reweighting the pions momentum. The corrections are deduced by the difference between the K^+ and K^- reconstructed mass.

- To avoid biases due to the different K^+ and K^- DCH acceptance, a radial cut around the actual (measured from the Data) K^+ and K^- beam position is applied (**“virtual pipe” cut**).



$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$: Results



Slope difference (03+04 prelim. result):

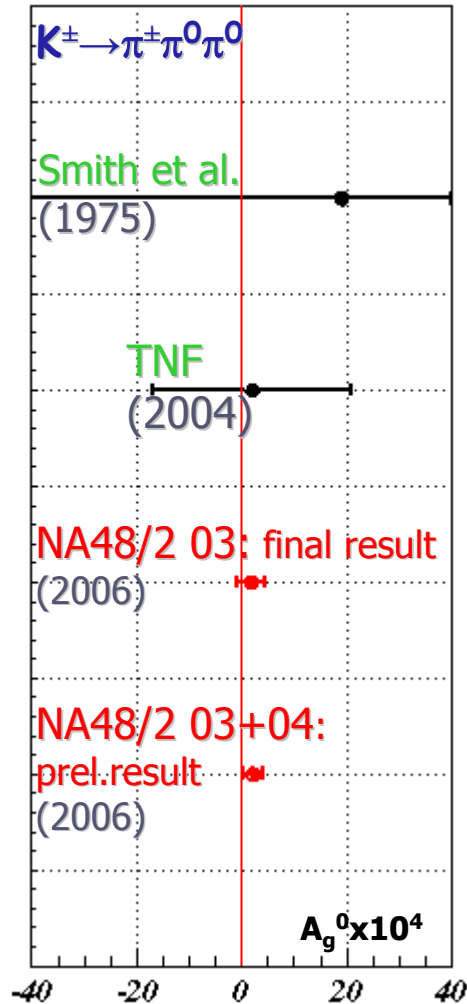
$$\Delta g = (0.6 \pm 0.7_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.7_{\text{syst.}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

Charge asymmetry parameter (03+04 prelim. result):

$$A_g^c = (-1.3 \pm 1.5_{\text{stat.}} \pm 1.7_{\text{syst.}}) \times 10^{-4} = (-1.3 \pm 2.3) \times 10^{-4}$$

Systematics effect		$\Delta g \times 10^{-4}$
DCH & beam related	Spectrometer alignment	± 0.1
	Momentum scale	± 0.1
	Acceptance and beam geometry	± 0.2
Pion decay		± 0.4
Pile up		± 0.2
Resolution effects		± 0.3
Trigger	L1: CHOD signal	± 0.3
	L2: MassBox	± 0.3
Total		± 0.7

$K^\pm \rightarrow 3\pi$ linear slope asymmetries : Summary



2003 data final result: *

$$A_g^0 = (1.8 \pm 2.2_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.3_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

$$A_g^c = (1.6 \pm 2.1_{\text{stat}} \pm 2.0_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

2003+2004 data preliminary result:

$$A_g^0 = (2.1 \pm 1.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.0_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

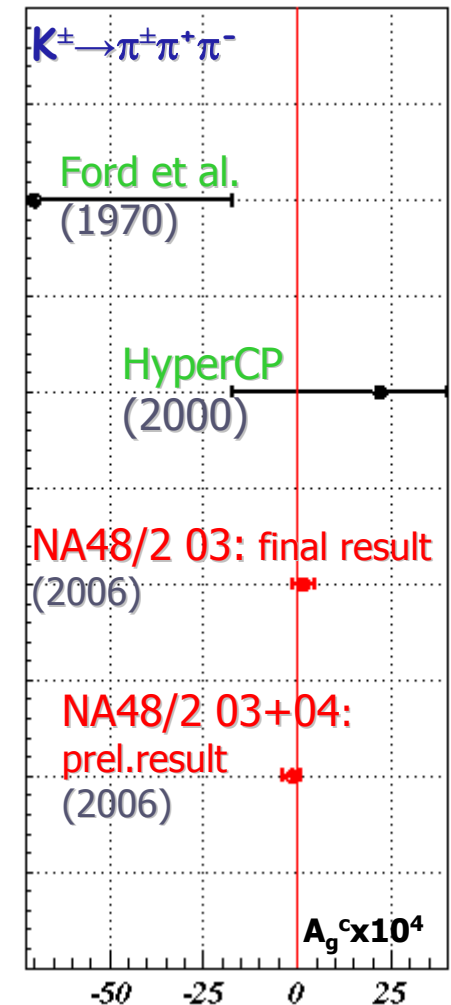
$$A_g^c = (-1.3 \pm 1.5_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.7_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

Statistical precision similar in "charged" and "neutral" mode:

- statistics: $N^0/N^\pm \sim 1/30$ ($\sqrt{1/5.5}$)
- slopes: $|g^0/g^\pm| \approx 3$
- More favorable Dalitz-plot distribution: gain factor $f \sim 1.5$

*: Phys.Let.B 634:474-482,2006

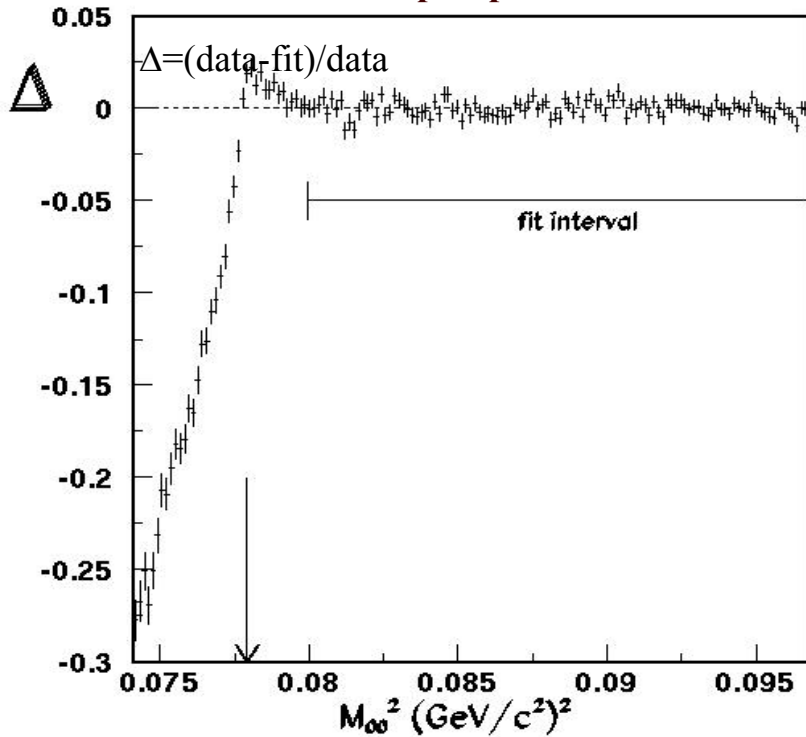
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Dalitz plot parameters measurement

$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: Standard parametrization

Standard Dalitz plot parameterization

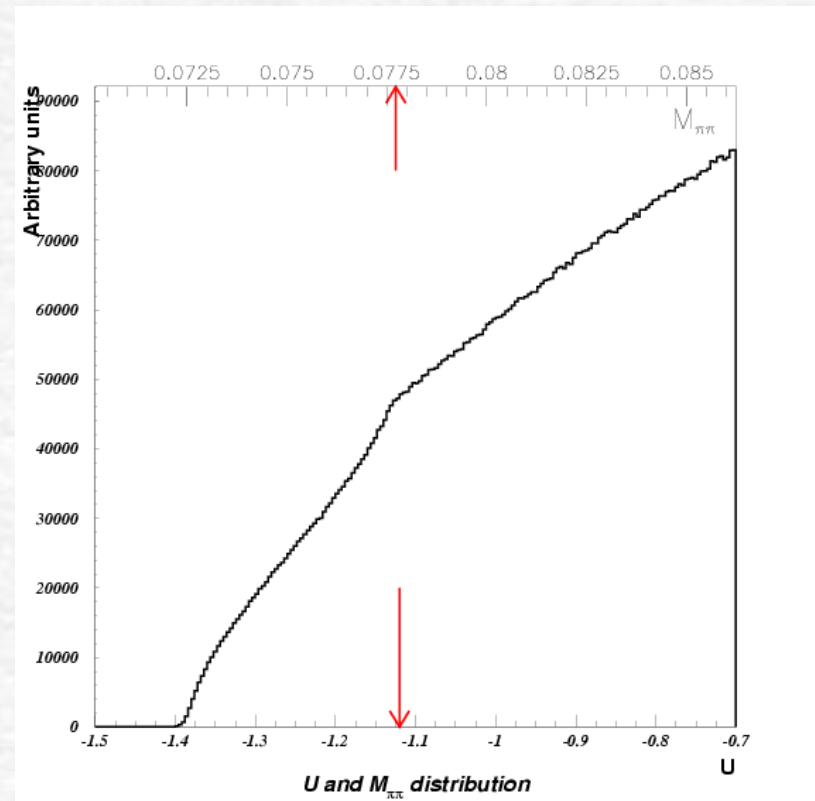
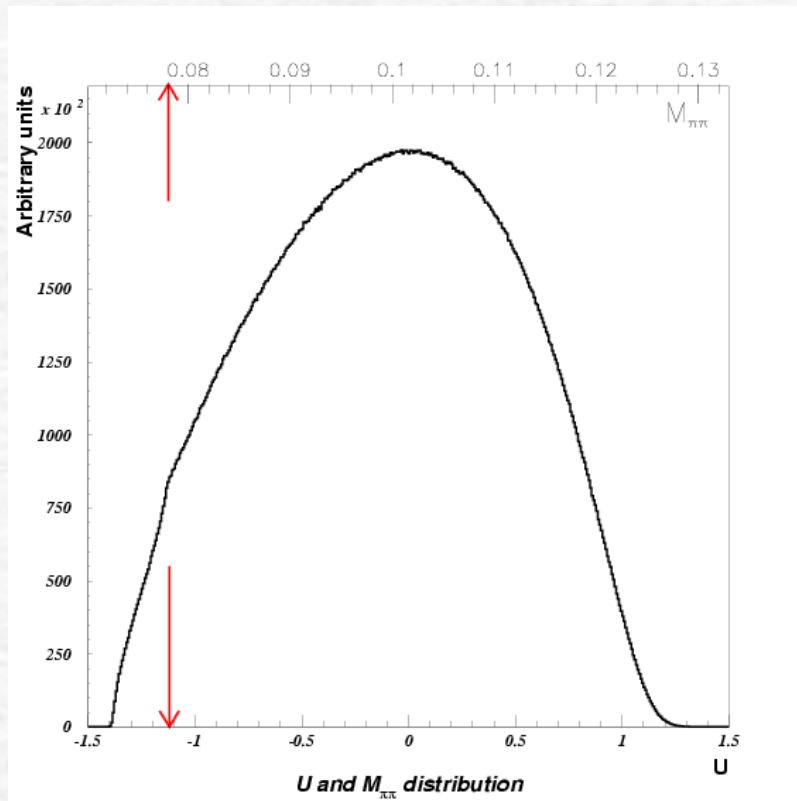


- Attempt to fit with the standard parametrization

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

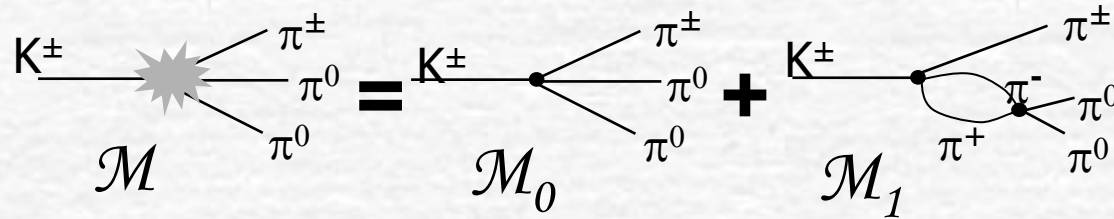
- The 1D fit is reliable only in the region above $2m_{\pi^+}$
- The fit in the whole U range (or $M_{\pi^0\pi^0}^2$) gives a $\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 9225/149$ while for $M_{\pi^0\pi^0}^2 > 0.08$ we have $\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 133/110$

$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: Cusp



- The high statistics and the good resolution allow to see a "cusp" in the U (or $M_{\pi^0\pi^0}^2$) distribution in the position of $2m_{\pi^+}$

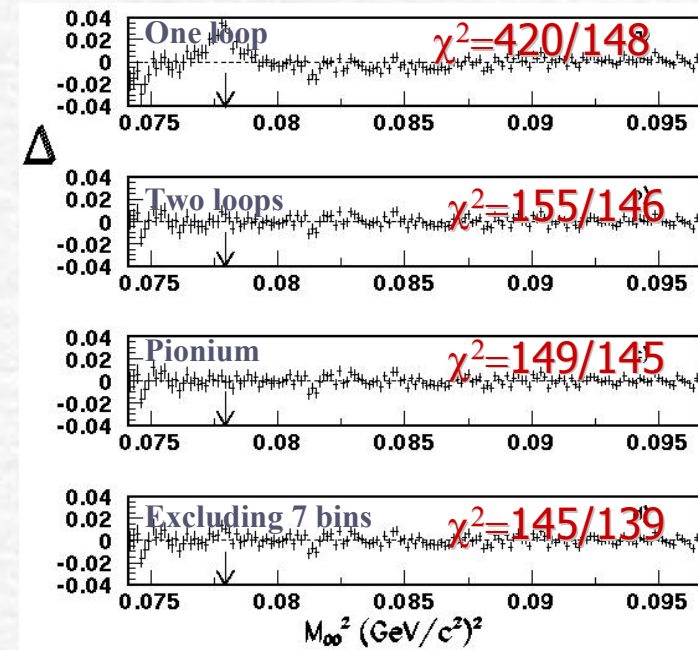
$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: rescattering contribution



- The M_1 contribution is real below and imaginary above threshold

$$s_{\pi\pi} > 4m_{\pi^+}^2 \quad |M^2| = (M_0)^2 + |M_1^2|$$

$$s_{\pi\pi} < 4m_{\pi^+}^2 \quad |M^2| = (M_0)^2 + (M_1^2) + 2M_0M_1$$



- The cusp behaviour is proportional to the $(a_0 - a_2)$ scattering lengths. (see Lucia Masetti's talk) $(a_0 - a_2)m_\pi = 0.268 \pm 0.010_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.004_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.013_{\text{th}}$
- The χ^2 improves including the 2 loops and the pionium contribution
- the final fit is performed excluding 7 bins around the cusp position

Cabibbo *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 93, 121801 (2004)

Cabibbo, Isidori *JHEP* 0503 (2005) 21

$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: new parametrization & results

- Including the 2 loops contributions a second cusp appears above threshold
- The standard parametrization is not enough to describe the $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$ dynamics
- The 2D fit shows the presence of a **non vanish k terms** (the fit is performed in bin of $\cos\theta$, angle between π^+ and π^0)
- Setting $k=0$ (the quadratic v slope) the results of the fit are (*Phys.Lett. B633:173-283,2006*) (23×10^6 events (2003)):

$$g = 0.645 \pm 0.004_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.009_{\text{syst}}$$

$$h' = -0.047 \pm 0.012_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.011_{\text{syst}}$$

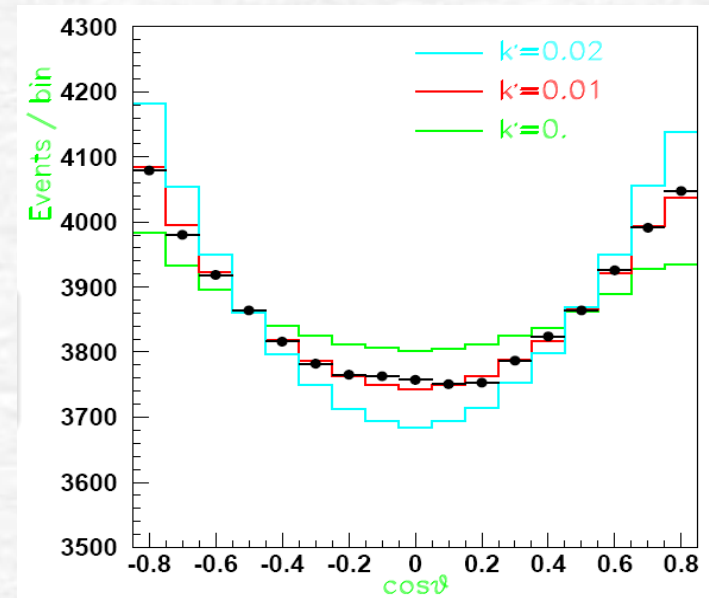
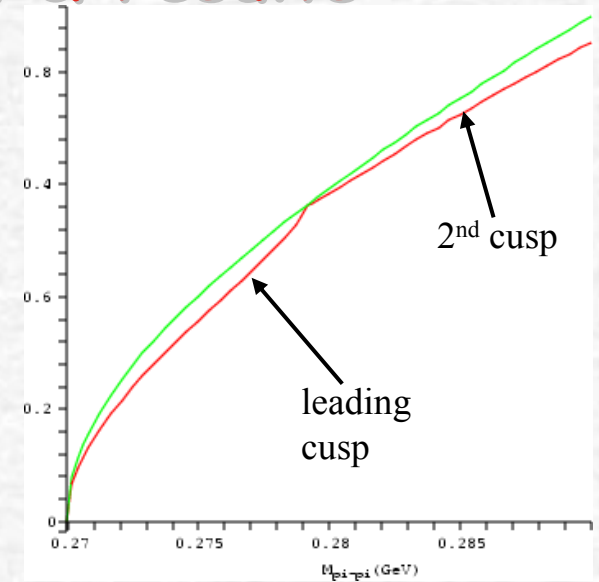
($h' + (1/4)g^2 = h$)

- The data are compatible with (**preliminary**):

$$k = 0.0097 \pm 0.0003_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0008_{\text{syst}}$$

ISTRA+: $k = 0.001 \pm 0.001 \pm 0.002$ (252K events)

- ($a_0 - a_2$) is not affected by the k term, but g and h are influenced by a non zero k term (2% and 25%)

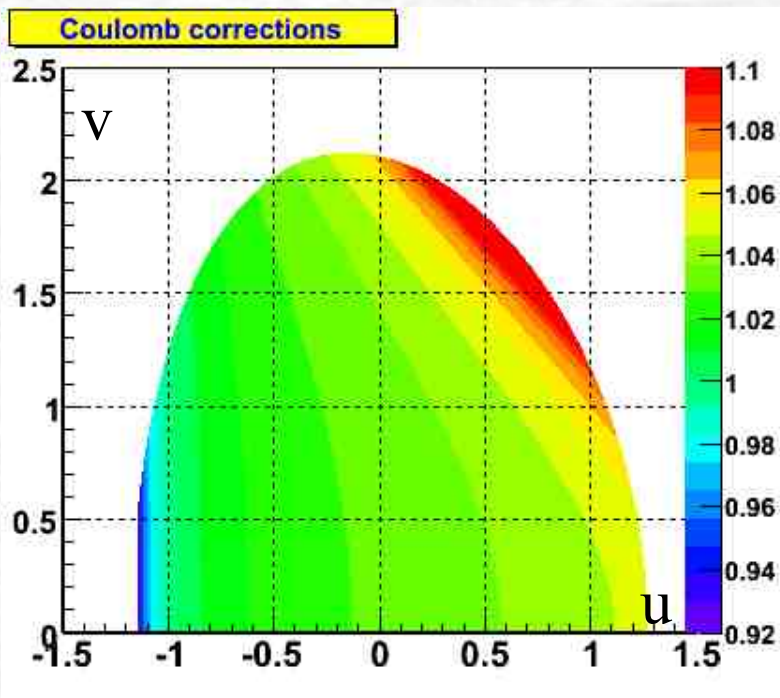


$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$: Dalitz plot

$$d\Gamma/dudv \sim C(u,v) \times (1 + gu + hu^2 + kv^2)$$

$$C(u,v) = \prod_{i,j=1,2,3} \frac{2\pi\alpha e_i e_j}{\beta_{ij} \left(\exp\left(\frac{2\pi\alpha e_i e_j}{\beta_{ij}}\right) - 1 \right)}$$

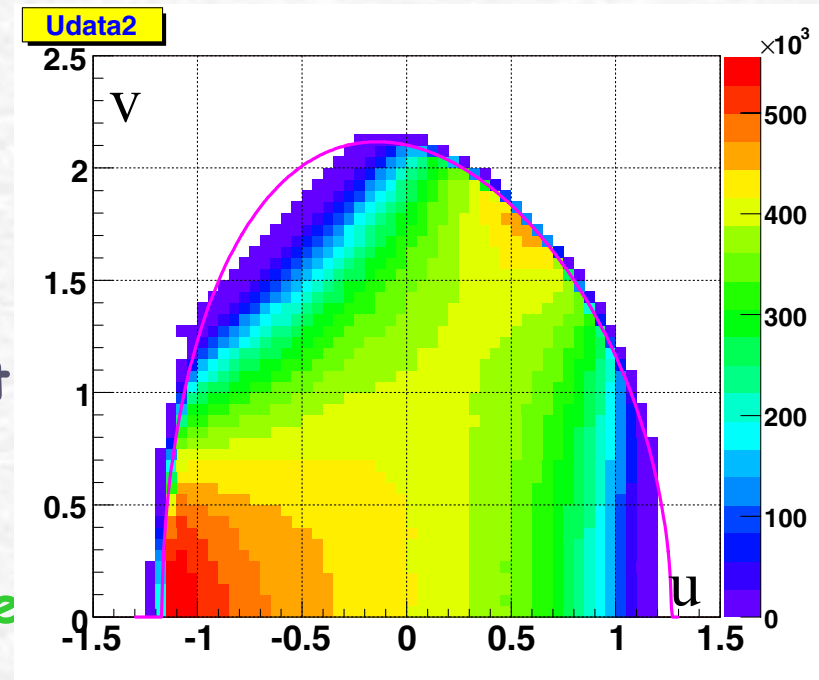
- Rescattering effects neglected
- Present PDG values from experiment in 1970s
- Validation of the simple polynomial expansion with our precision



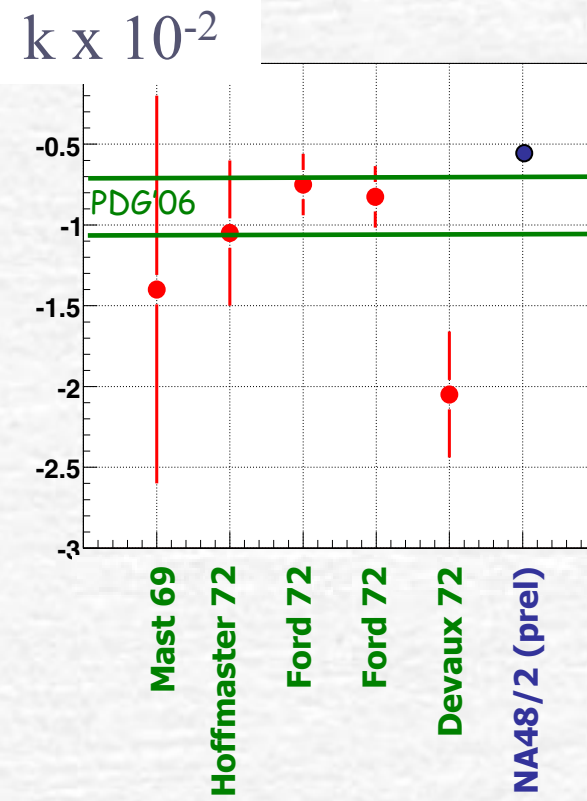
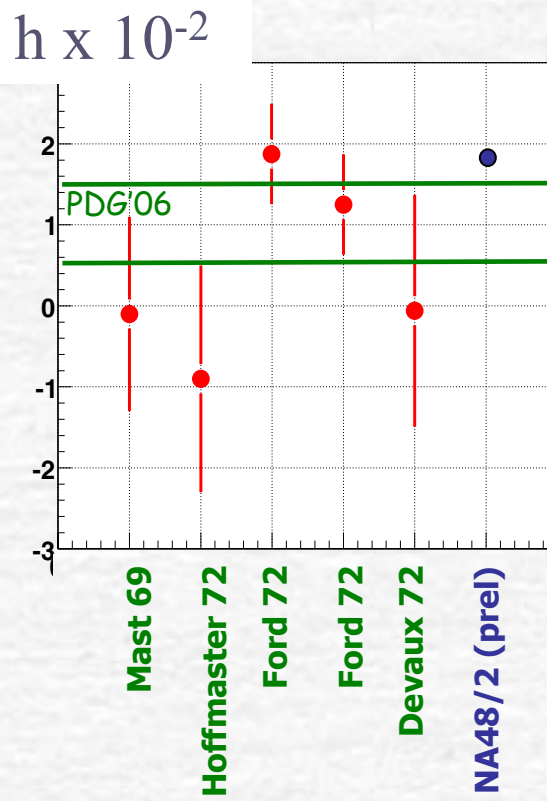
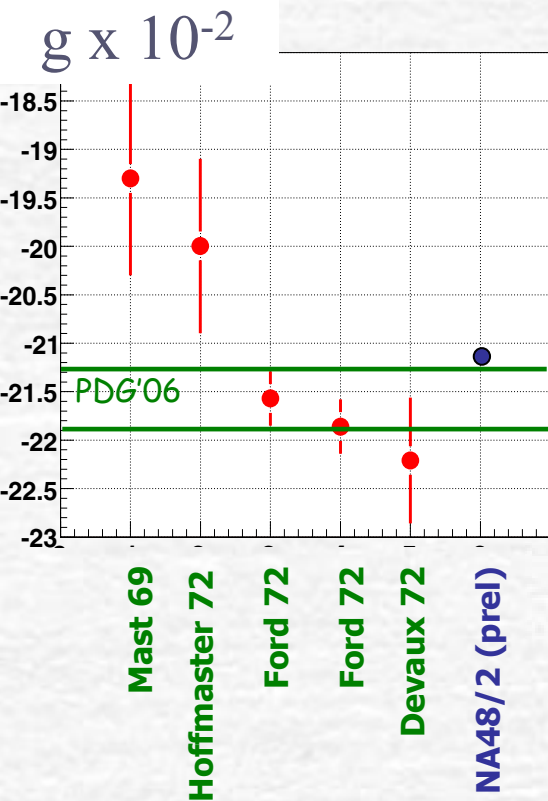
$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$: Fit

$$\chi^2(g, h, k, N) = \sum_{u, v} \frac{(F_{data} - NF_{MC})^2}{\delta F_{data}^2 + N^2 F_{MC}^2}$$

- The results are obtained minimizing the χ^2 , where F represents the population in the (u, v) bin.
- 0.47×10^9 (in 2003 data sample) events analyzed for preliminary result
- The main contributions to the systematic uncertainty come from the pion momentum resolution and the trigger



$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$: results



NA48/2 preliminary results:

$$g = (-21.131 \pm 0.009_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.012_{\text{syst}}) \%$$

$$h = (1.829 \pm 0.015_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.036_{\text{syst}}) \%$$

$$k = (-0.467 \pm 0.005_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.011_{\text{syst}}) \%$$

- One order of magnitude better than previous experiments
- Not perfect agreement with PDG values based on 1970s results

$K^\pm \rightarrow 3\pi$ Dalitz plot: Summary

$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$:

- The standard M expansion is not enough to describe the 3 pions dynamics.
- The contribution of the $\pi^+\pi^- \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$ **rescattering** cannot be neglected (the (a_0-a_2) scattering length can be deduced from this effect)
- **k term different from zero** observed for the first time
- The Dalitz plot parameters are measured with this new approach (different definition)

$$g = 0.645 \pm 0.004_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.009_{\text{syst}} \\ (\text{with } k=0)$$

$$h' = -0.047 \pm 0.012_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.011_{\text{syst}} \\ (\text{with } k=0)$$

$$k = 0.0097 \\ \pm 0.0003_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0008_{\text{syst}} \\ (\text{preliminary})$$

$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$:

- Rescattering effects and radiative corrections neglected (first step)
- **Factor ~10 improvement** with respect to previous measurement
- Standard parametrization is valid

(Preliminary)

$$g = (-21.131 \pm 0.009_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.012_{\text{syst}})\%$$
$$h = (1.829 \pm 0.015_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.036_{\text{syst}})\%$$
$$k = (-0.467 \pm 0.005_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.011_{\text{syst}})\%$$

Conclusions

- Charge $K \rightarrow 3\pi$ asymmetry measurement at level of few 10^{-4} is consistent with SM prediction
- The NA48/2 results, both in charged and neutral mode, supersede previous measurements of one order of magnitude

2003+2004 data preliminary result:

$$A_g^0 = (2.1 \pm 1.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.0_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4} \quad (91 \cdot 10^6 \text{ events})$$

$$A_g^c = (-1.3 \pm 1.5_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.7_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-4} \quad (3.1 \cdot 10^9 \text{ events})$$

- The Dalitz plot shape in the neutral mode is influenced by $\pi^+\pi^- \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$ **rescattering**
- The $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$ **k term** is measured different from zero (preliminary)
- The $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-$ slopes are measured with a factor **~ 10 improvement** w.r.t. previous measurement (in 1970s) (preliminary)

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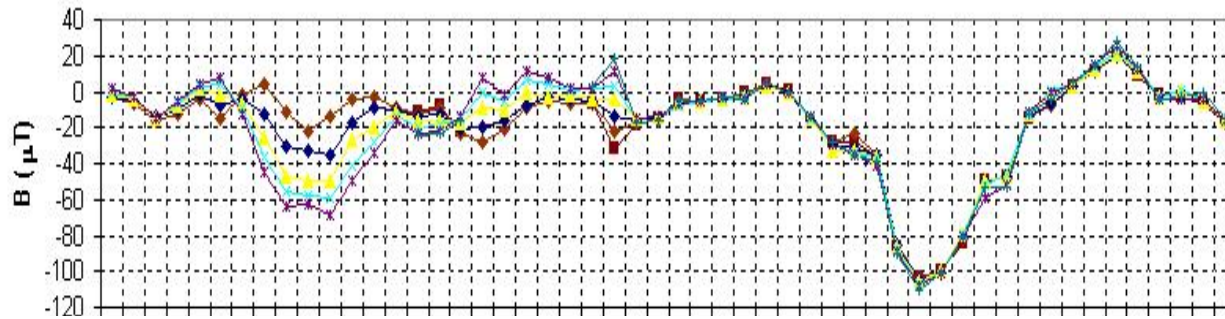
Theoretical predictions

Standard Model	L.Maiani, N.Paver '95	$(2.3 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-6}$
	A. Bel'kov '95	$< 4 \times 10^{-4}$
	G.D'Ambrosio, G.Isidori '98	$< 10^{-5}$
	E.Shabalin '01	$< 3 \times 10^{-5}$
	E.Gamiz, J.Prades, I.Scimemi '03	$(-2.4 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{-5}$
	E.Shabalin '05 (La Thuile'05)	$< 8 \times 10^{-5}$
SUSY	G.D'Ambrosio, G.Isidori, G.Martinelli	$\sim 10^{-4}$
New physics	E.Shabalin '98 [Weinberg model of extended Higgs doublet]	$\sim 4 \times 10^{-4}$
	I.Scimemi '04	$> 3 \times 10^{-5}$

Experimental results

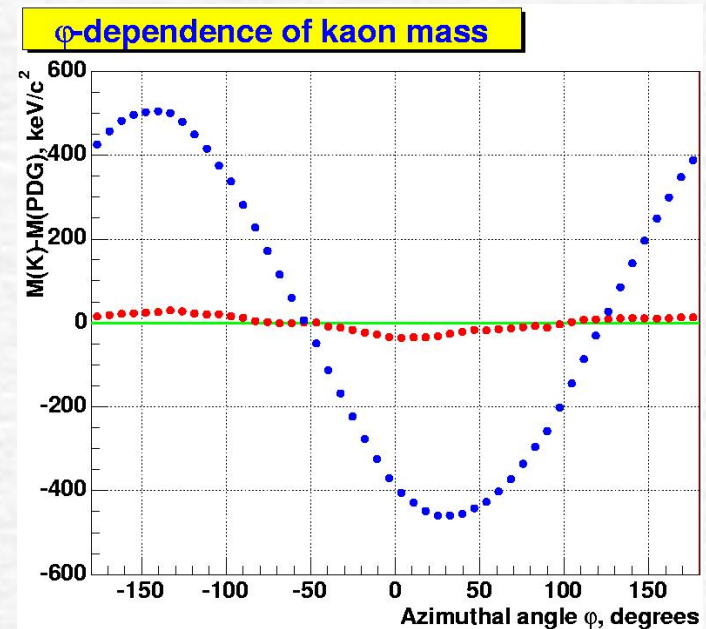
<u>"Charged" mode $K^\pm \rightarrow 3\pi^\pm$</u>	Ford et al. (1970) at BNL $A_g = (-7.0 \pm 5.3) \cdot 10^{-3}$ Statistics: 3.2M K^\pm
	HyperCP prelim. (2000) at FNAL $A_g = (2.2 \pm 1.5 \pm 3.7) \cdot 10^{-3}$ Statistics: 390M K^+ , 1.6M K^- Preliminary, published as PhD thesis
<u>"Neutral" mode $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$</u>	Smith et al. (1975) at CERN-PS $A_g = (1.9 \pm 12.3) \cdot 10^{-3}$ Statistics: 28000 K^\pm
	TNF-IHEP Protvino (2004) $A_g = (0.2 \pm 1.9) \cdot 10^{-3}$ Statistics: 0.52M K^\pm

Stray magnetic field



The Earth field (*Blue Field*) was **directly measured** and used at the vertex reconstruction level. The residual systematics is $\delta\Delta < 10^{-5}$

$$\frac{\text{P kick}(\text{stray field})}{\text{P kick}(\text{spectrometer})} \approx 10^{-4}$$

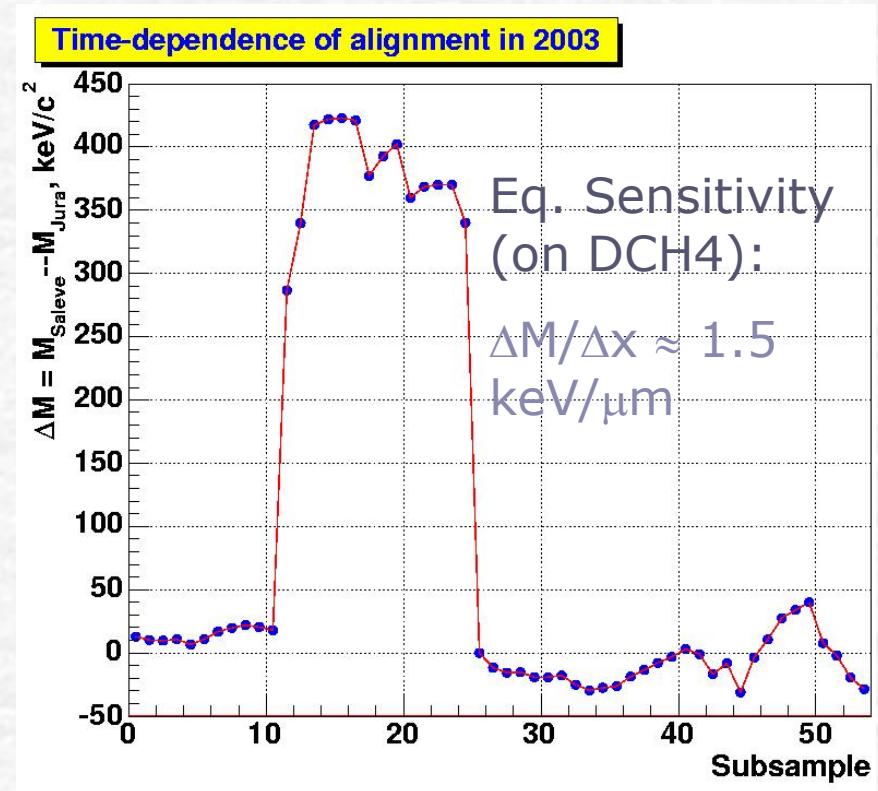


Spectrometer alignment

- The kaon mass depends from the **time variation** of the spectrometer alignment
- The mis-alignment gives a **mis-measurement** of the charged pion momentum
- The reconstructed invariant **K mass** is used to **fine tune** the spectrometer by imposing (α correction) :

$$M_{K^+} = M_{K^-}$$
- The **non-perfect field alternation** is tuned by imposing (β correction):

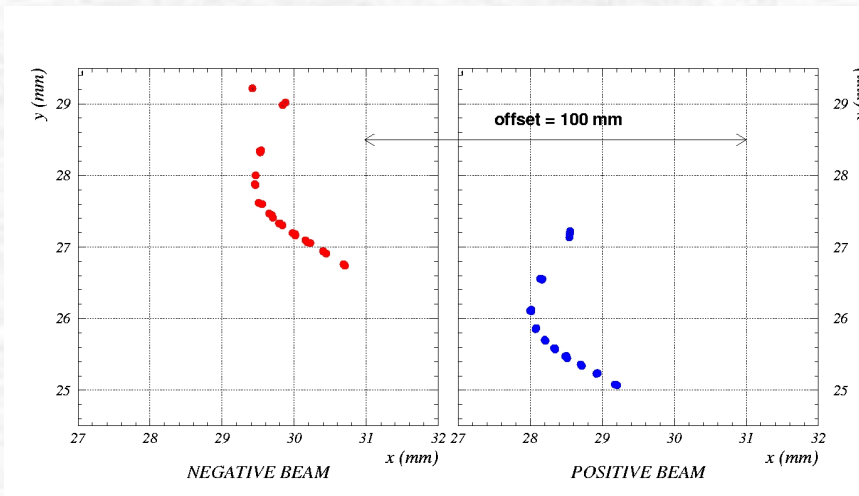
$$M_{K^{+-}} = M_{K^{pdg}}$$



$$P = P_0 \cdot (1 + \beta) \cdot (1 + qb\alpha P_0)$$

Kaon sign → α β ← B sign
Raw momentum → P_0

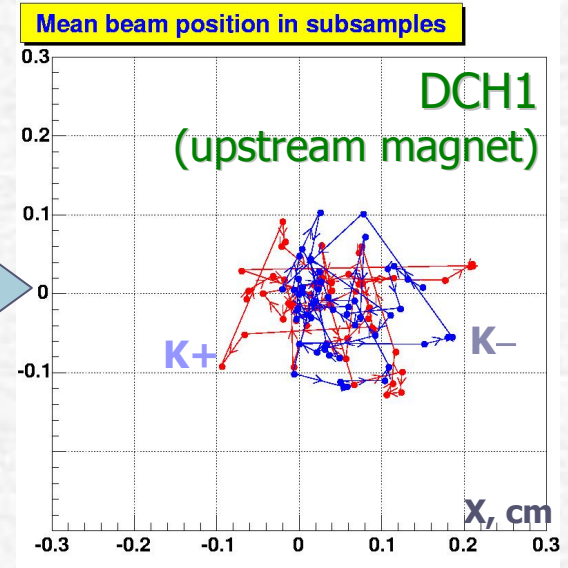
Beam movements



- **Short time scale movement:** the beam moves during the SPS spill
 - Monitored with an high resolution beam monitor on the beams
 - The 2 beam movement is "coherent"
 - No effect in the 4-uple ratio

- **Large time scale movement:** the beam positions change every run

- Acceptance largely defined by **central beam hole edge** (~10 cm radius)
- The cut is defined around the actual beam position obtained with the **c.o.g. measured run by run**, for both charges as a function of the K momentum ("**virtual pipe**" cut)

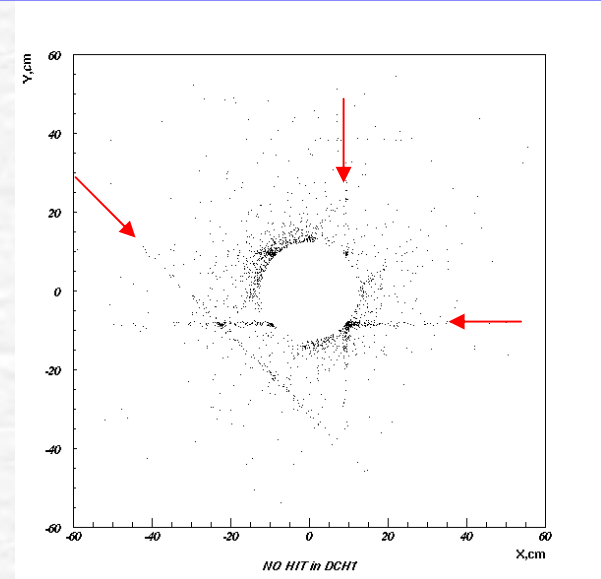
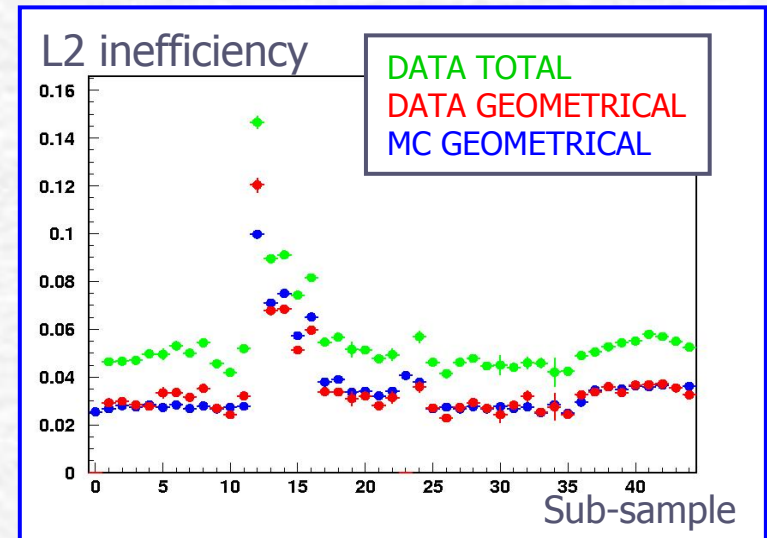


$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0$: trigger systematics

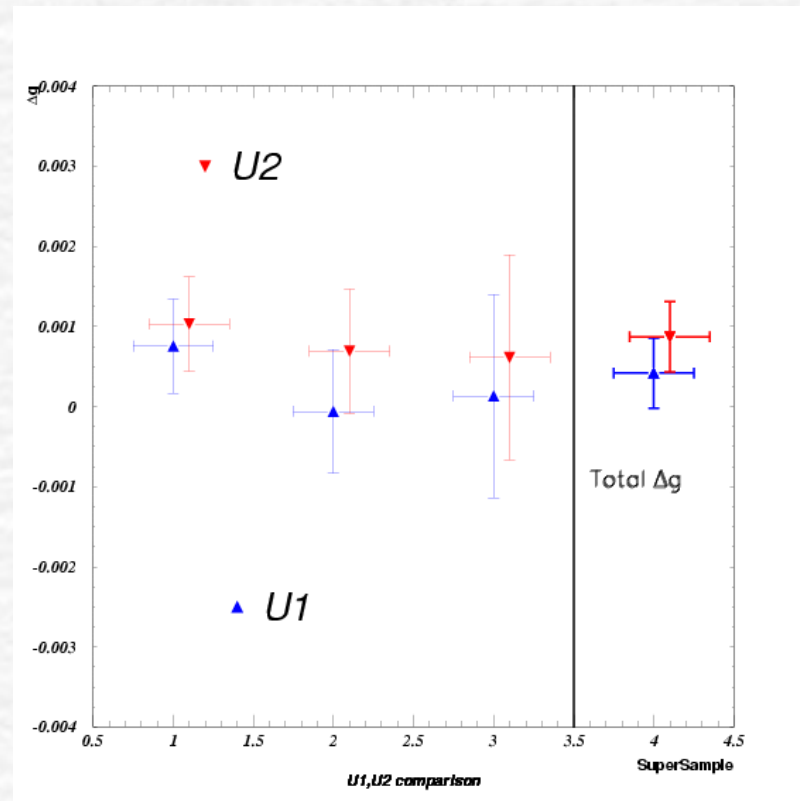
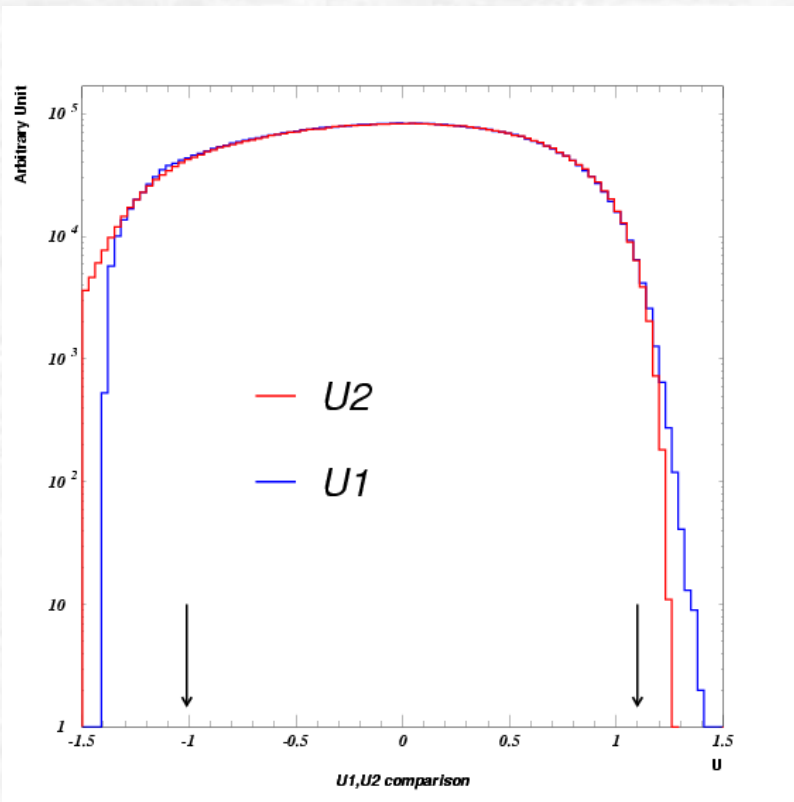
Q1: The inefficiency is measured with all the 1-track events (**0.25%**). Systematics of **$0.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$** . No trigger correction

NTPEAK: for technical problems the efficiency isn't the same at the beginning and at the end of the run (from **0.7%** to **3%**). The systematics estimation is limited by the statistics in the control sample: **$1.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$** . No trigger correction

L2: 70% of the L2 inefficiency is due to the DCHs wires inefficiency. The systematic uncertainty is obtained exploiting the MC simulation: **$0.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$** . No trigger correction



U2 asymmetry (2003 sample)



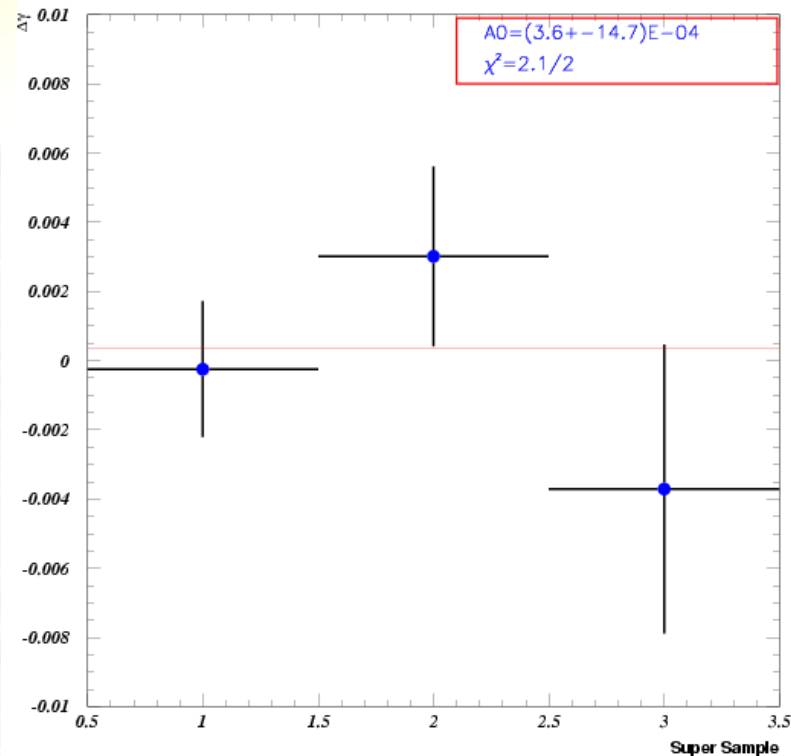
- At the very Dalitz plot edge the U1 and U2 distributions are different due to the different resolution
- The asymmetry results, for U1 and U2, are in **agreement**

V asymmetry (2003 sample)

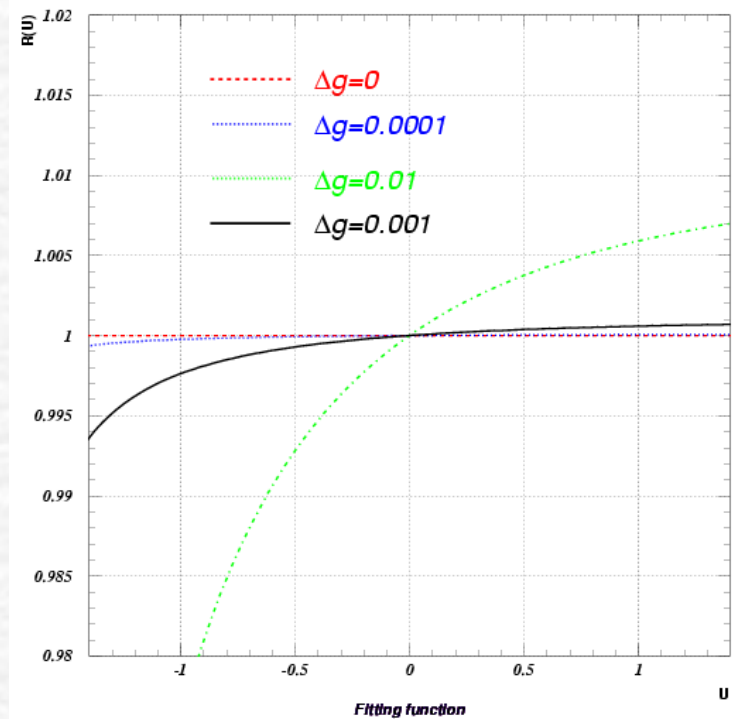
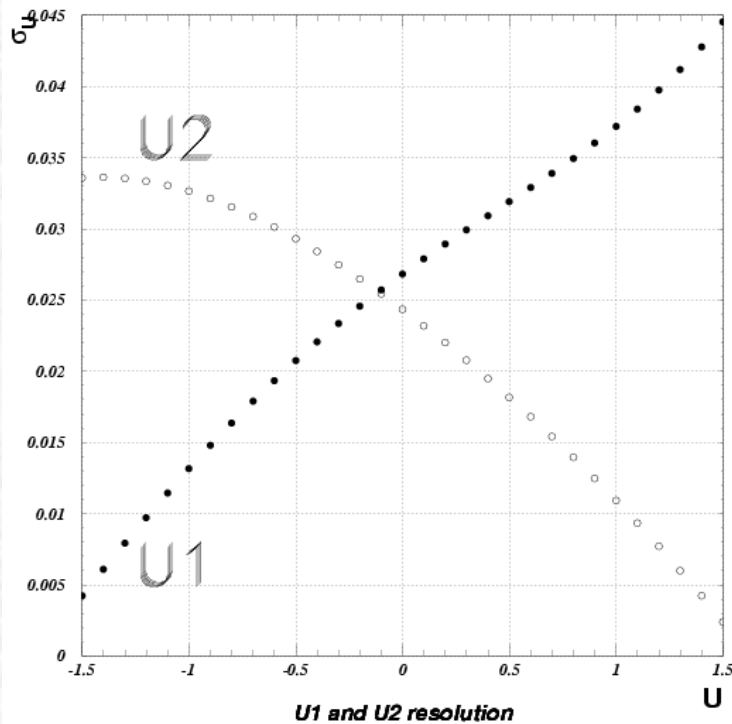
"wrong" Matrix element:

$$|M(u,v)|^2 \sim 1 + gu + \gamma \mathbf{v} + hu^2 + kv^2 + \dots$$

- The 4uplo ratio is constructed like in the U case to extract $\Delta\gamma$.
- The result is compatible with zero (only 2003 data plot is shown)



Resolution and fitting function

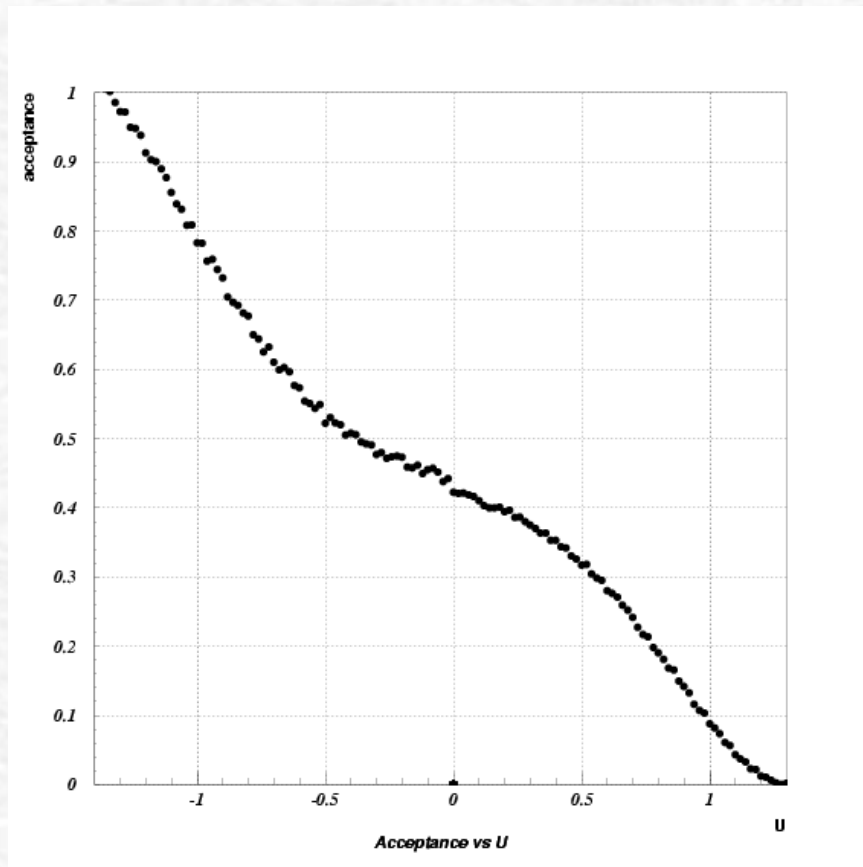


- U_1 has best resolution in the region with high acceptance and higher lever arm for the fit

- In the “neutral” fitting function the pole is on the left (good acceptance).
- In the non-approximated “charged” fitting function the pole is outside the acceptance on the right hand.

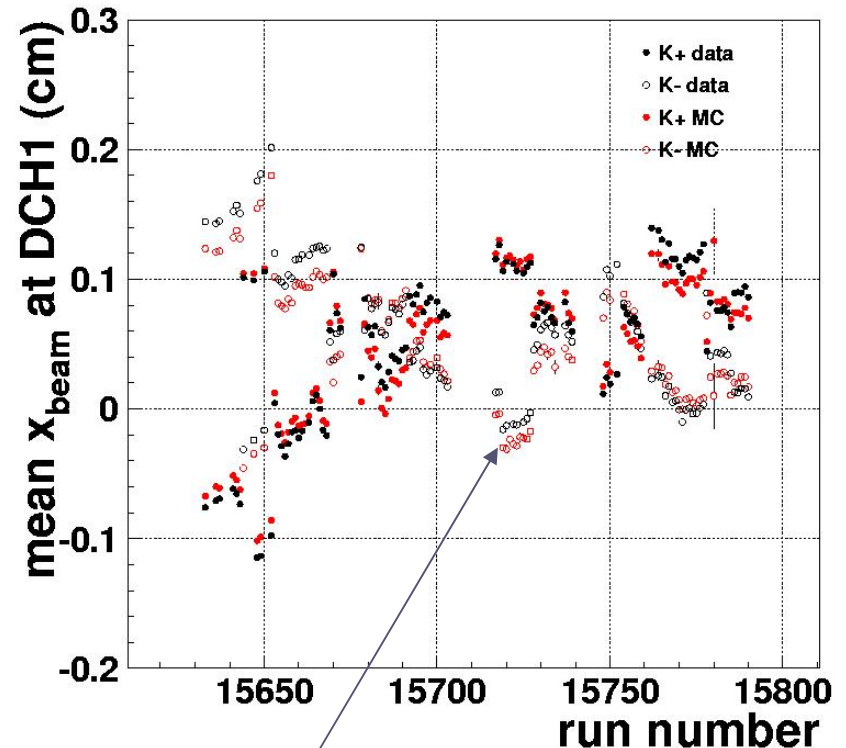
"neutral" Acceptance

- The acceptance as a function of U in the $K \rightarrow \pi\pi^0\pi^0$ is favorable for the fit function employed.



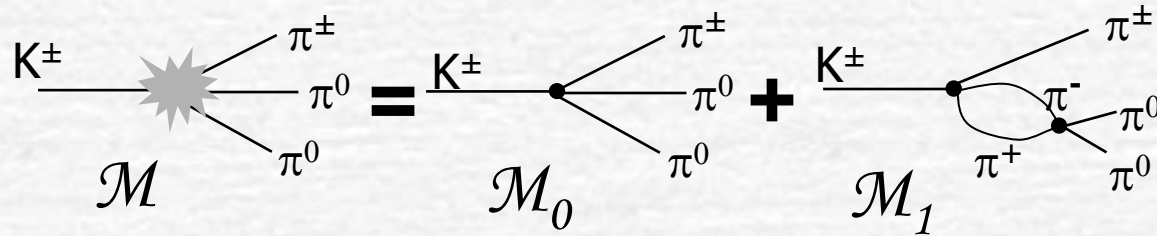
Montecarlo

- Thanks to the experimental principle of the acceptance cancellation **we don't need MC**
- Anyway a detailed **GEANT3 MC** was developed for systematic studies and to understand the detector acceptance
- Local DCH inefficiencies and variations of the beam geometry are simulated



The MC reproduces very well the beam behaviour

Cusp effect



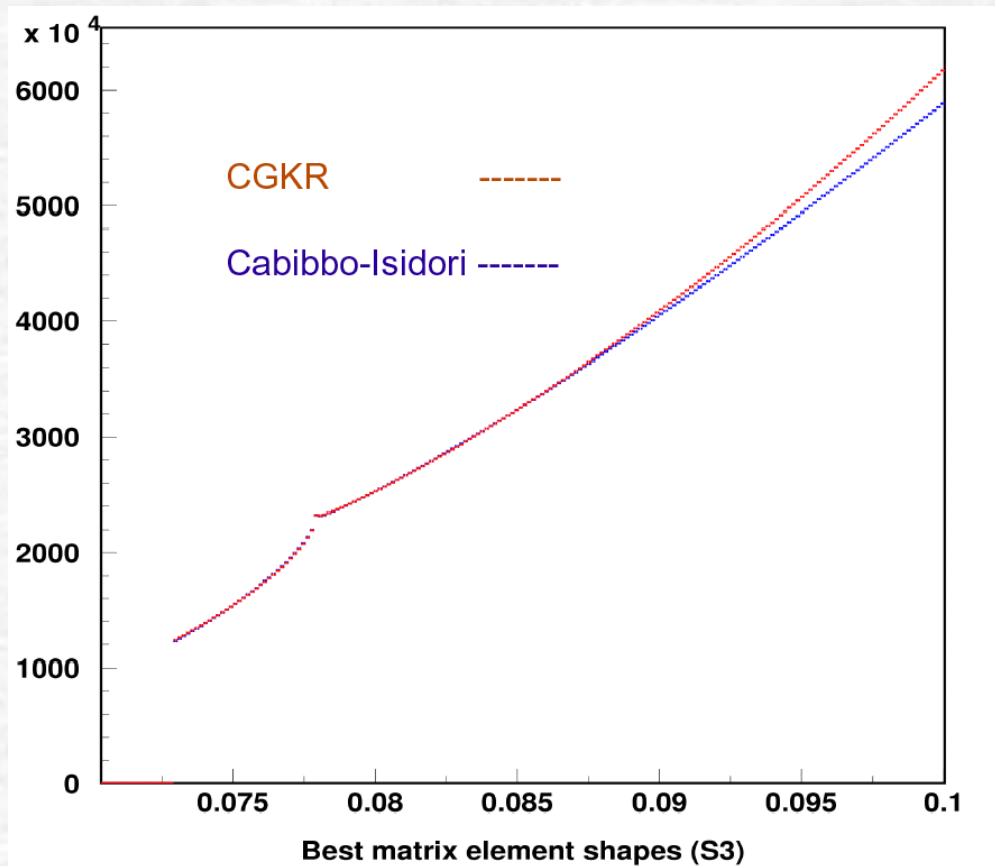
$$s_{\pi\pi} > 4m_{\pi^+}^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad M_1 = i2 \frac{(a_0 - a_2)m_{\pi^+}}{3} M_{+,thr} \sqrt{\frac{s_{\pi\pi} - 4m_{\pi^+}^2}{s_{\pi\pi}}}$$

$$|M^2| = (M_0)^2 + |M_1^2|$$

$$s_{\pi\pi} < 4m_{\pi^+}^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad M_1 = -2 \frac{(a_0 - a_2)m_{\pi^+}}{3} M_{+,thr} \sqrt{\frac{4m_{\pi^+}^2 - s_{\pi\pi}}{s_{\pi\pi}}}$$

$$|M^2| = (M_0)^2 + (M_1^2) + \underbrace{2M_0M_1}_{\text{cusp effect}}$$

Colangelo et al. approach



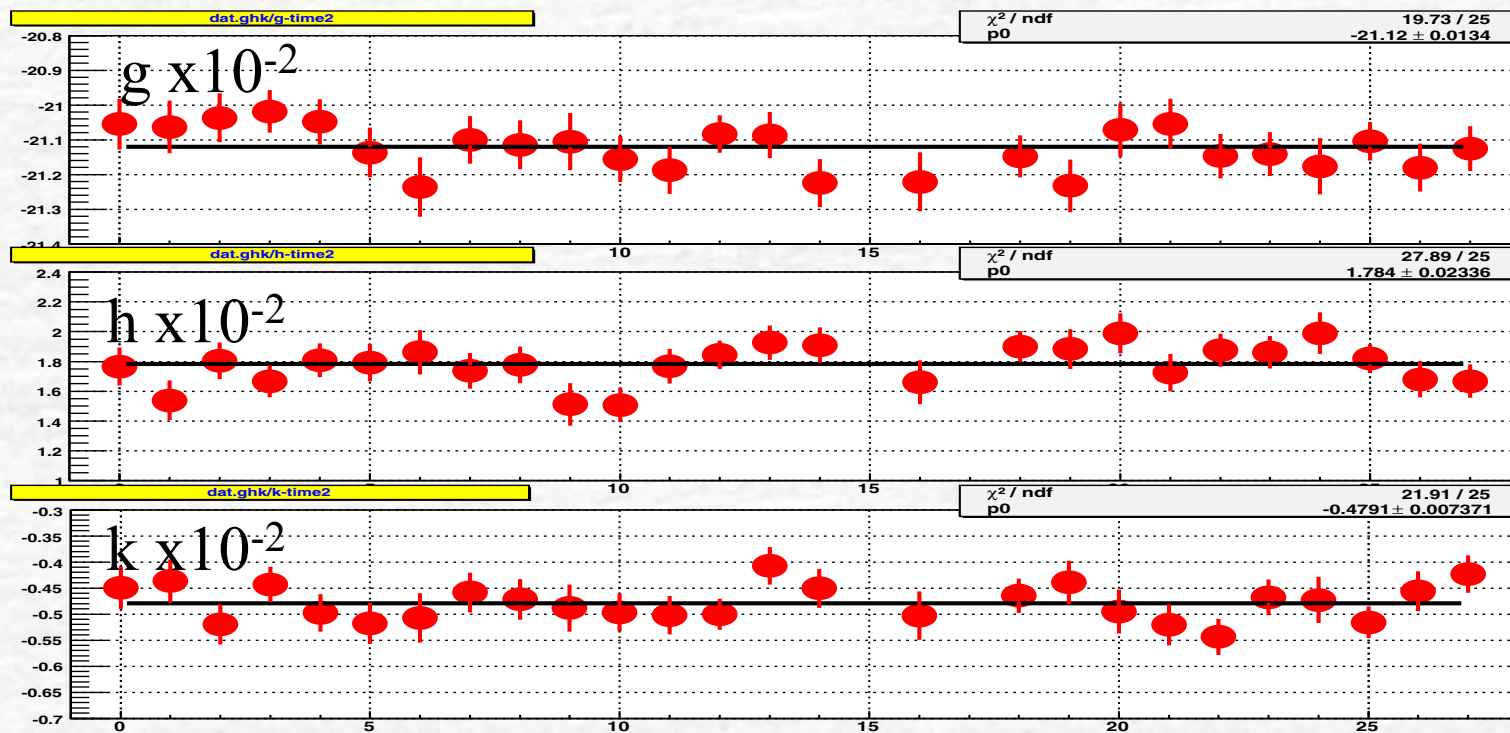
- Different approach
- Non relativistic effective lagrangian
- Possibility to include automatically high order terms and radiative corrections
- Disagreement at large U value
- Work in progress

"Charged" Dalitz Plot systematics

Effect	$g \times 10^2$	$h \times 10^2$	$k \times 10^2$
Pion momentum resolution	± 0.004	± 0.031	± 0.009
Kaon momentum spectrum	± 0.001	± 0.001	± 0.001
Spectrometer alignment	± 0.002	± 0.002	± 0.001
Spectrometer momentum scale	± 0.001	± 0.002	± 0.001
Total systematic error dominated by π momentum resolution	± 0.005	± 0.031	± 0.009
Statistical uncertainty	± 0.009	± 0.015	± 0.005
Trigger correction (L1+L2) (mainly due to HODO inefficiency)	-0.007 ± 0.005	0.118 ± 0.009	0.033 ± 0.003
MC statistical uncertainty	± 0.010	± 0.017	± 0.005
Final result	-21.131 ± 0.015	1.829 ± 0.040	-0.467 ± 0.012
PDG'06	-21.57 ± 0.31	1.07 ± 0.48	-1.01 ± 0.34

Systematics check

The stability of the result has been checked for several variables (longitudinal vertex position, radial cuts, acceptance, Coulomb factor, variation of the binning)



Other analysis

- $K \rightarrow \pi\pi^0\gamma$ (Direct photon emission, interference with IB, charge asymmetry)
- $K \rightarrow \pi\pi e\nu, \pi^0\pi^0 e\nu, \pi\pi\mu\nu, \pi^0\pi^0\mu\nu$ ($(a_0 - a_2)$ e BR)
- $K \rightarrow \pi^0 e\nu, \pi^0\mu\nu$ (V_{us} (prel.), form factors)
- $K \rightarrow \pi^0 e\nu\gamma$ (BR, T violation)
- $K \rightarrow \pi\pi^0 ee$ (BR, T violation)
- $K \rightarrow \pi\gamma\gamma, \pi\gamma\gamma\gamma$ (ChPT)
- $K \rightarrow e\nu, \mu\nu$ (BR, leptonic universality)
- $K \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\pi^0 e\nu, \pi ee, \pi\mu\mu$ etc... (BR, ...)
- $K \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0(\gamma\gamma)$ (new particles search)

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