

Hadron Physics results at KLOE-2

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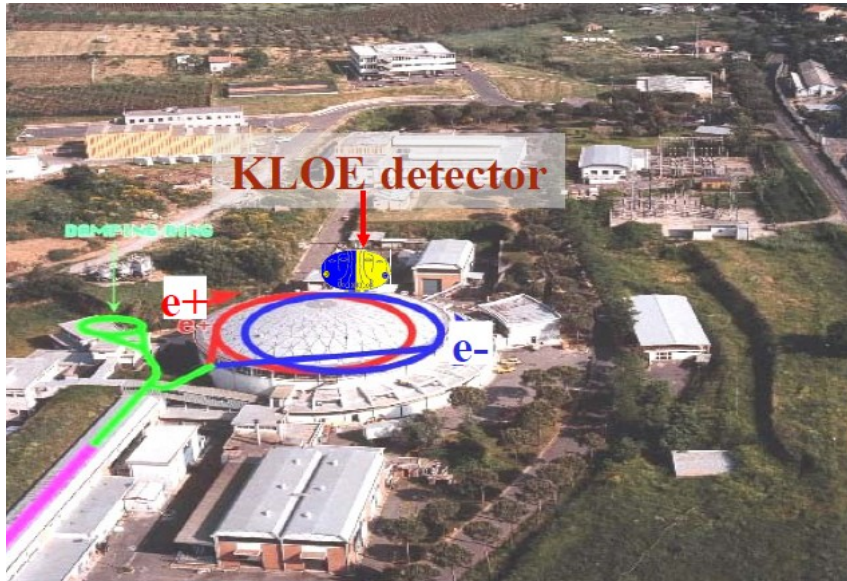
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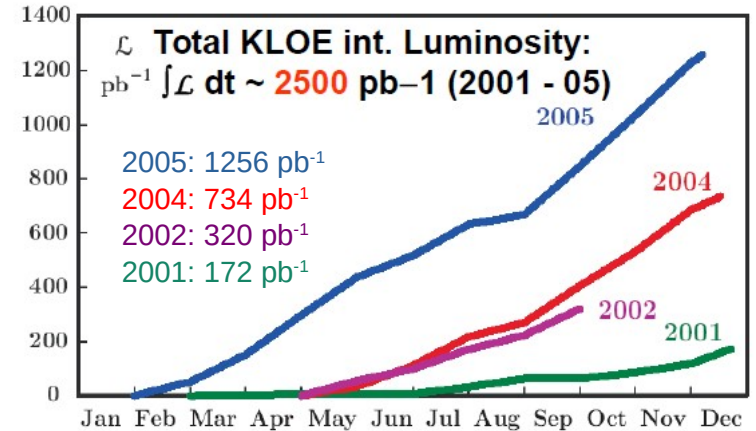
Outline

- KLOE & KLOE-2 experiment at DAΦNE
- The $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ decay
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\gamma_{\text{ISR}}$ cross section measurement
- Search for $\phi \rightarrow \eta\pi^+\pi^-$ and $\phi \rightarrow \eta\mu^+\mu^-$ decays
- Leptophobic B boson search
- $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$
- Summary

KLOE @ DAΦNE



Integrated Luminosity



Peak Luminosity $L_{\text{peak}} = 1.5 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- **DAΦNE: Frascati ϕ -factory, e^+e^- collider**
@ $\sqrt{s} \approx 1020 \text{ MeV} \approx M_\phi$; $\sigma_{\text{peak}} \approx 3.1 \mu\text{b}$
- **Best performance in KLOE run (2005):**
 $L_{\text{peak}} = 1.5 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \int L dt = 8.5 \text{ pb}^{-1}/\text{day}$
- **2001 – 2006: KLOE data-taking**
 $\Rightarrow 2.5 \text{ fb}^{-1} @ \sqrt{s} = M_\phi$
+ $250 \text{ pb}^{-1} \text{ off-peak} @ \sqrt{s} = 1000 \text{ MeV}$

KLOE Detector

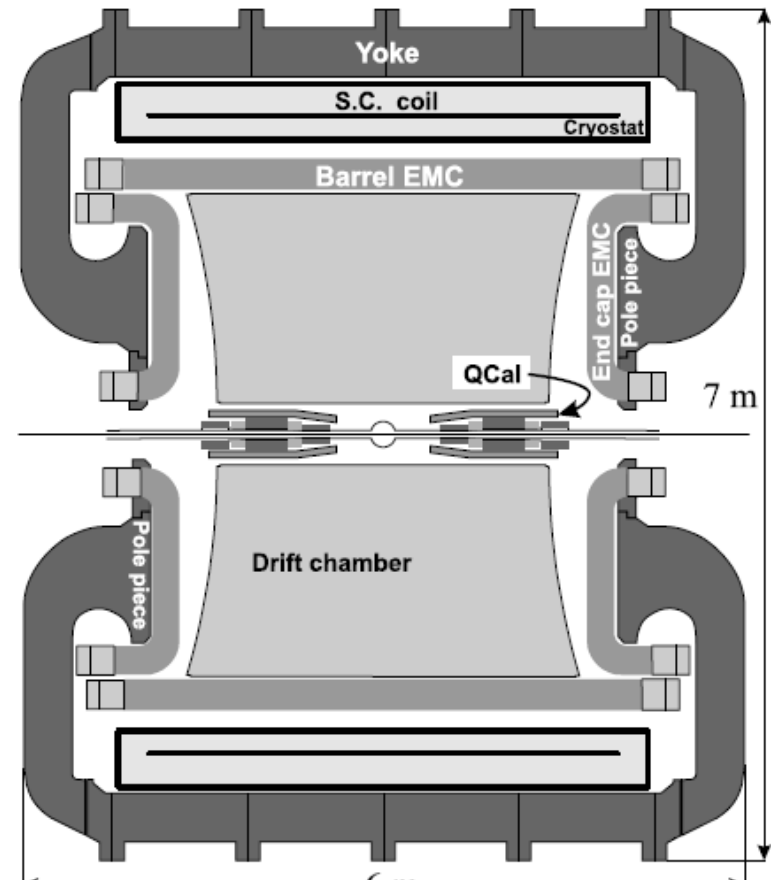
Drift chamber: 90% He-10% iC_4H_{10}

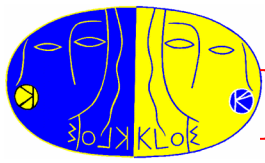
- $\delta p_T/p_T = 0.4\%$
- $\sigma_{xy} \approx 150 \mu\text{m}$; $\sigma_z \approx 2 \text{ mm}$; $\sigma_{\text{vertex}} \approx 3 \text{ mm}$

Calorimeter (Pb-Sci.Fi.): 98% of 4π

- $\sigma_E/E = 5.7\% / \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}$
- $\sigma_t = 54 \text{ ps} / \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})} \oplus 100 \text{ ps}$

Magnetic field: 0.52 T

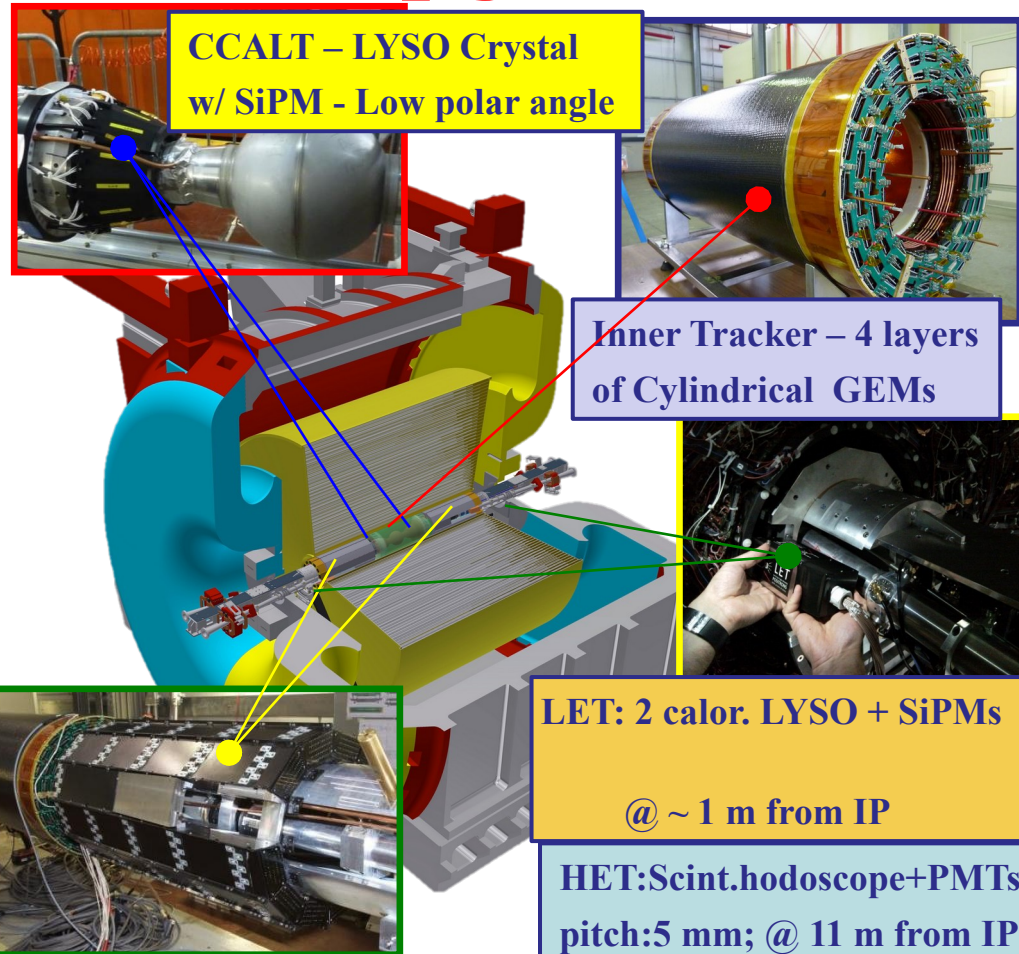
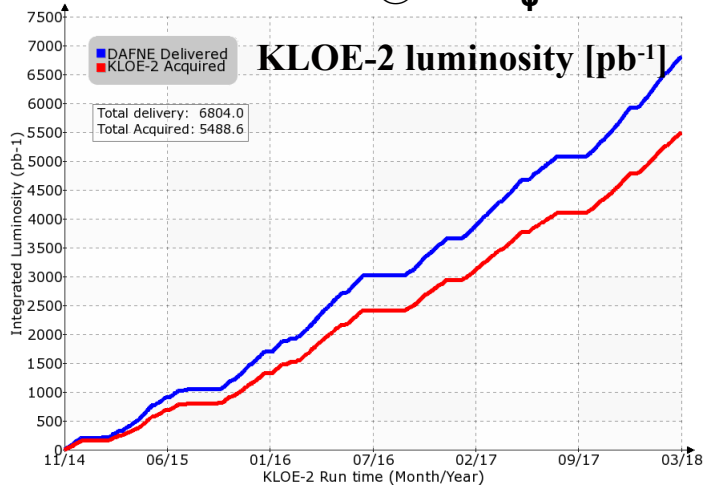




KLOE-2 @ DAΦNE upgraded



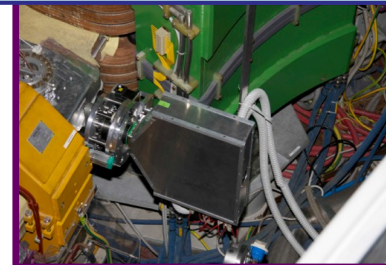
- DAΦNE upgrade (2008), **new interaction scheme**: large beam crossing angle + crabbed waist sextupoles
- **Best performance in KLOE-2 run**:
 $L_{\text{peak}} = 2.4 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1} \int Ldt = 14 \text{ pb}^{-1}/\text{day}$
- **2014 – 2018: KLOE-2 data-taking**
 $\Rightarrow 5.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ collected @ $\sqrt{s} = M_{\phi}$



KLOE + KLOE-2 data sample:
 $\sim 8 \text{ fb}^{-1} \Rightarrow 2.4 \times 10^{10} \phi$'s produced
 \Rightarrow the **largest sample** ever collected at a ϕ -factory

QCALT – Tungsten / Scintillating Tiles w/ SiPM
 Quadrupole Instrumentation

Slide thanks to P. Gauzzi



KLOE2 Physics

Light meson Physics:

- η decays, ω decays
- **Transition Form Factors**
- C,P,CP violation: improve limits on $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma, \pi^+\pi^-, \pi^0\pi^0, \pi^0\pi^0\gamma$
- $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-e^+e^-$
- **ChPT** : $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma\gamma$
- Light scalar mesons: $f_0(500)$ in $\phi \rightarrow K_S K_S \gamma$
- **$\gamma\gamma$ Physics**: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi^0$ and π^0 TFF
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma\gamma_{\text{ISR}}$ (π^0 TFF)

Hadronic cross section:

- **ISR studies**: $2\pi, 3\pi, 4\pi$ final states
- F_π with increased statistics

In red discussed in this talk

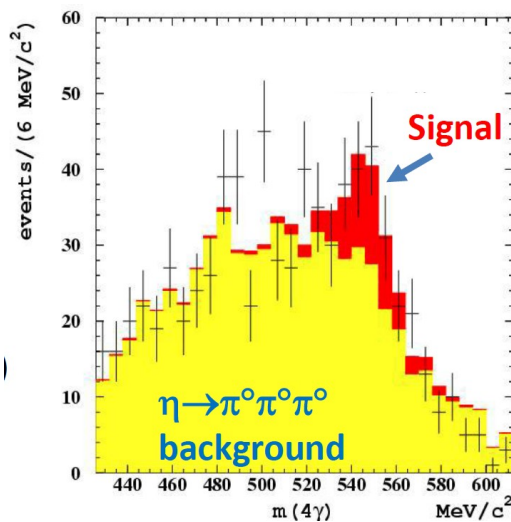
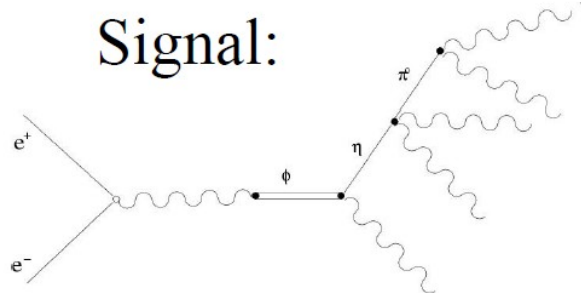
Dark force searches:

- Improve limits on
 - $U\gamma$ associate production
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow U\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi\gamma, \mu\mu\gamma$
 - Higgsstrahlung:
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow Uh' \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- + \text{miss. energy}$
- **Leptophobic B boson search**:
 $\phi \rightarrow \eta B, B \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma, \eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
 $\eta \rightarrow B\gamma, B \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma,$
- Search for axion-like particles

Kaon Physics:

- CPT and QM tests with kaon interferometry
- Direct T and CPT tests using entanglement
- CP violation and CPT test:
 $K_S \rightarrow 3\pi^0$
direct measurement of $\text{Im}(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$
- CKM V_{us} :
 K_S semileptonic decays and A_S
(CP and CPT test)
 $K_{\mu 3}$ form factors, K_B radiative corrections
- $\chi p T$: $K_S \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- Search for rare K_S decays

$\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ ($\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$)



$\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ (from $\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$): ChPT golden mode, $O(p^2)$ null, $O(p^4)$ suppressed \Rightarrow sensitive to $O(p^6)$

$$\text{Br} = (22.1 \pm 2.4 \pm 4.7) \times 10^{-5} \text{ CB@AGS (2008)}$$

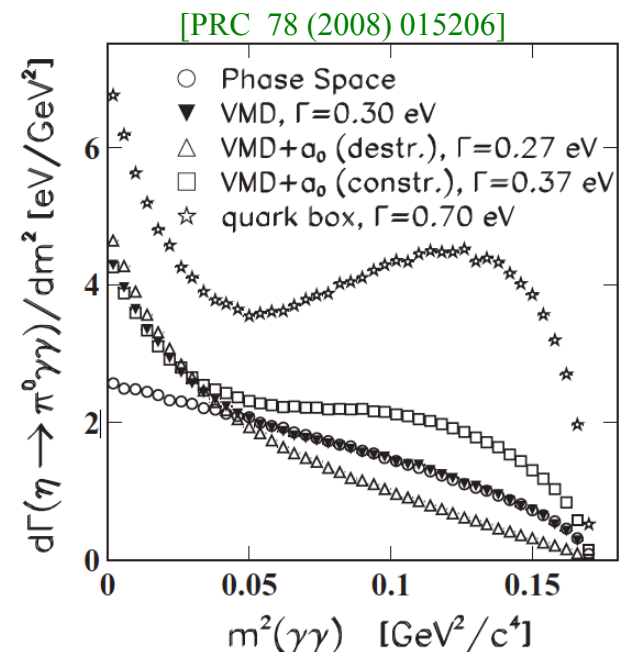
[PRC 78 (2008) 015206]

$$\text{Br} = (25.2 \pm 2.5) \times 10^{-5} \text{ CB@MAMI (2014) A2}$$

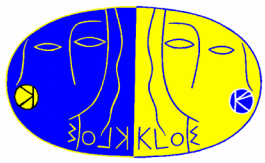
[PRC 90 (2014) 025206]

Old KLOE preliminary: $(8.4 \pm 2.7 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-5}$

($L = 450 \text{ pb}^{-1} \sim 70$ signal events)



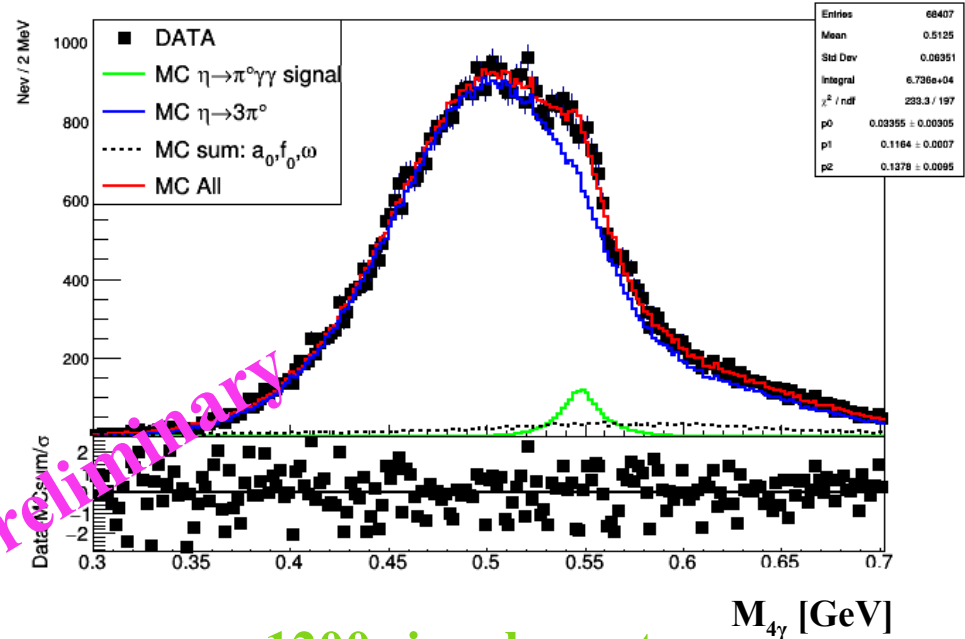
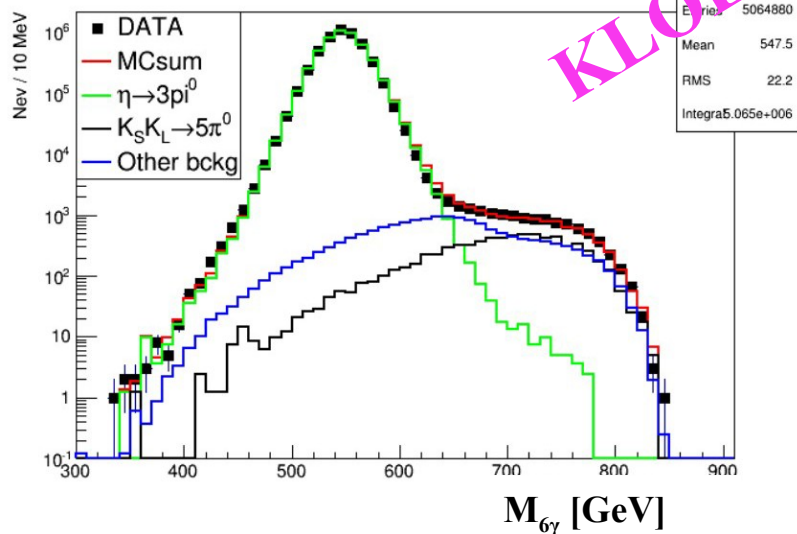
Invariant mass of non- π^0 photons can be used to test theoretical models



$\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ ($\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$)



- $L = 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1} - 5$ prompt γ sample selected
- **Main bckg: $\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$, $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$ with lost or merged photons**
- Normalization to $\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$, $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$ (7 prompt clusters, very clean channel, low background)



KLOE-2 preliminary

⇒ ~ 1200 signal events

$$\text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma) = (1.21 \pm 0.13_{\text{stat}}) \times 10^{-4}$$

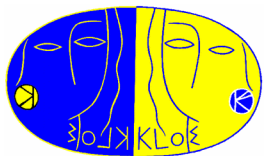
Recent prediction based on $L\sigma M + \text{VMD}$

$$\text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma) = (1.30 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-4}$$

[R.Escribano et al., PRD 102 (2020) 034026]

linear sigma model and vector meson dominance frameworks

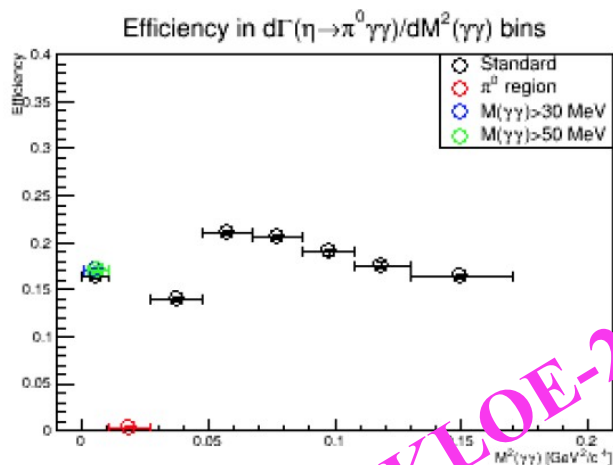
Last checks on systematics ongoing



$d\Gamma(\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma\gamma) / dM^2_{\gamma\gamma}$

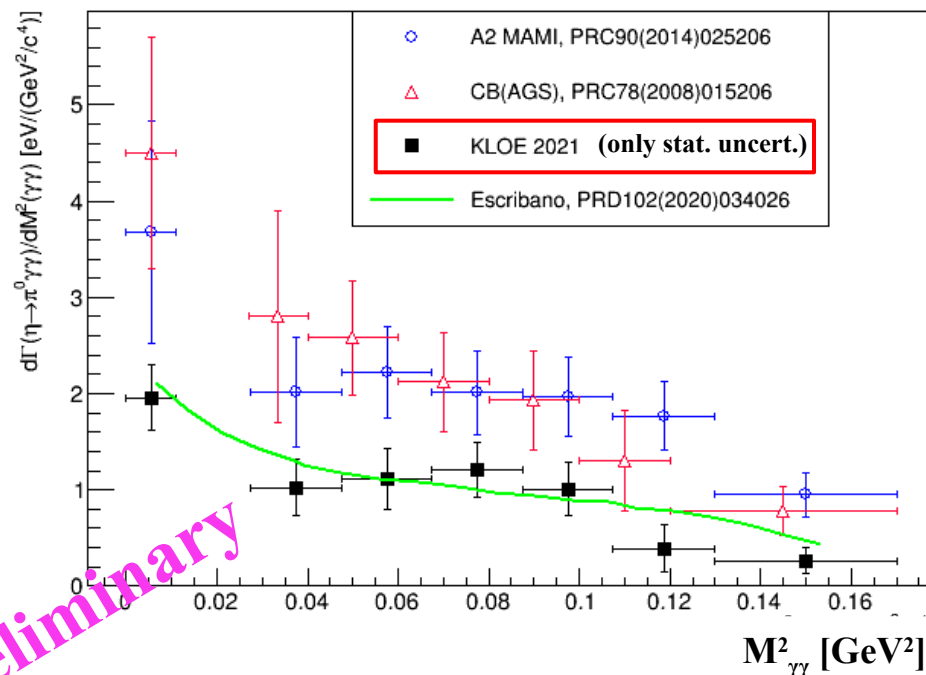


- Separate fits in bins of $M^2(\gamma\gamma)$
- Second bin missing due to the veto for $\pi^0\pi^0$ events (from $\phi \rightarrow f_0(980)\gamma$ and $e^+e^- \rightarrow \omega\pi^0$ with $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$)



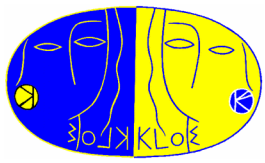
Efficiency vs $M^2_{\gamma\gamma}$

$d\Gamma(\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma\gamma) / dM^2(\gamma\gamma)$ comparison



KLOE-2 preliminary

A factor of about 2 less than previous measurements



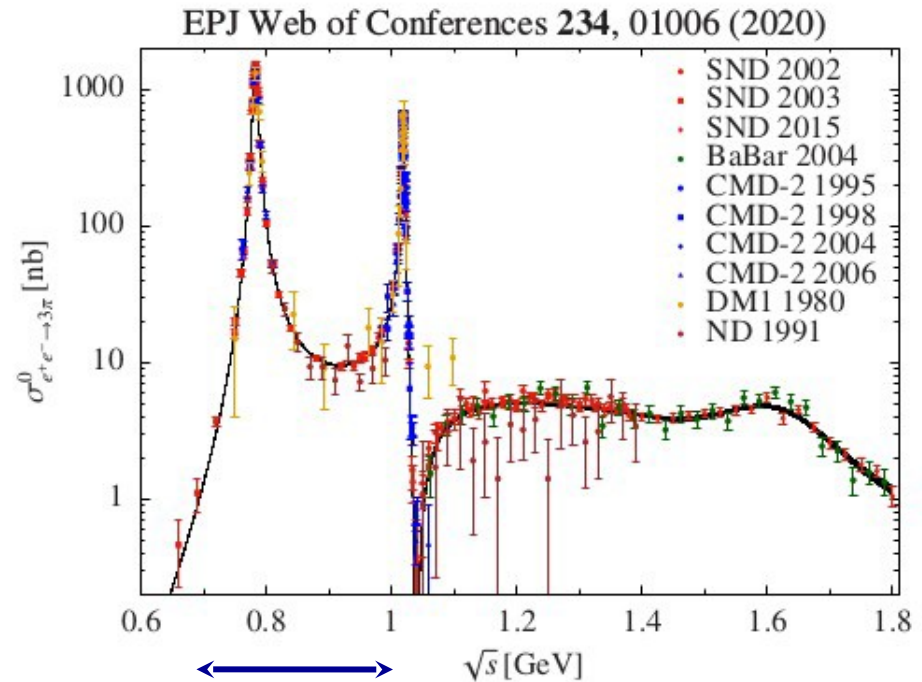
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\gamma_{\text{ISR}}$$



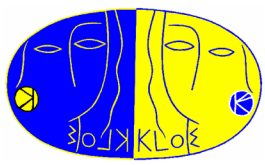
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ is the **second largest contribution** to the calculation of the **Hadronic Vacuum Polarization** for $(g-2)_\mu$ and to its uncertainty
- **Initial State Radiation (ISR)** measurement at KLOE is **complementary to energy scan** in the range $\sqrt{s} < M_\phi$ (SND and CMD-2)

Goals:

- Measure the cross section in the $\omega(782)$ region
- Evaluate the product $\text{Br}(\omega \rightarrow e^+e^-) \times \text{Br}(\omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$



Current measurement by
CMD-2/SND via energy scan
BES3/BaBar via ISR



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\gamma_{\text{ISR}}$$



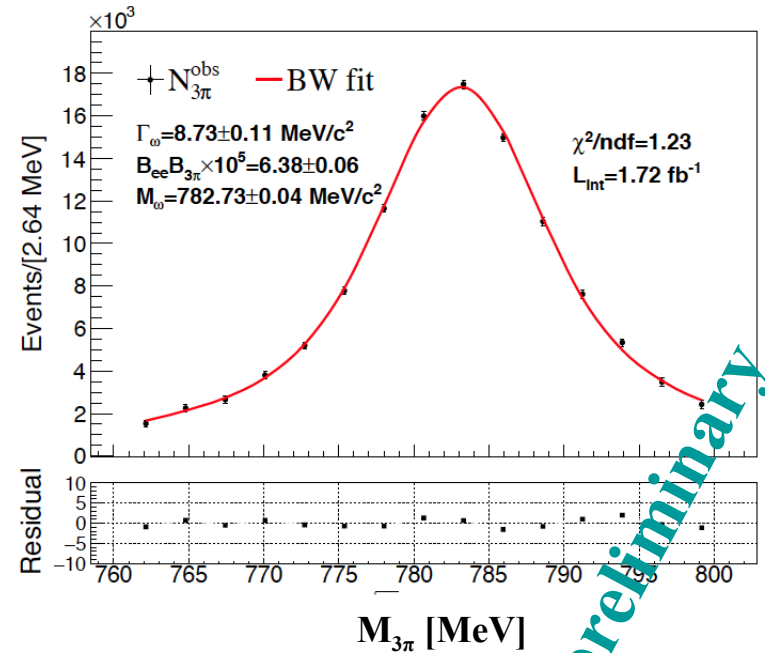
- $L = 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ at ϕ peak

Selection:

- At least **2 tracks with opposite curvature**
- **3 neutral clusters**
- **Kinematic fit**

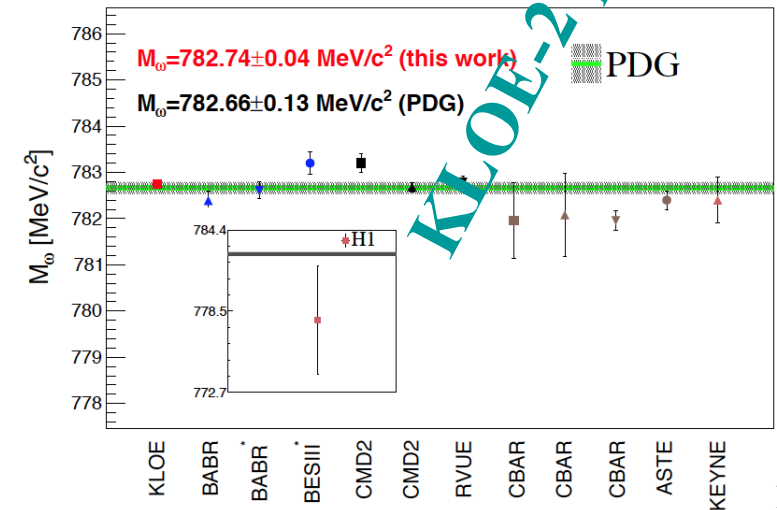
Signal extraction:

- Fit with **Breit-Wigner convoluted with smearing matrix**
- **ISR correction factor taken into account**



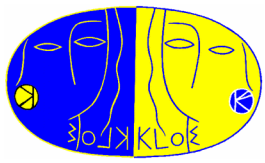
KLOE results* compared with PDG

	M_{ω} [MeV/c ²]	Γ_{ω} [MeV]	$\mathcal{B}_{ee} \times \mathcal{B}_{3\pi}$ [10 ⁻⁵]
KLOE	782.73 ± 0.04	8.73 ± 0.11	6.38 ± 0.06
PDG	782.66 ± 0.13	8.68 ± 0.13	6.60 ± 0.16



KLOE-2 preliminary

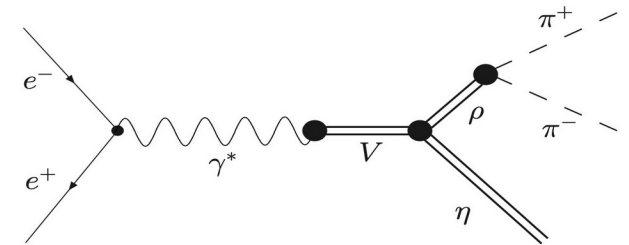
* Only stat. uncertainty



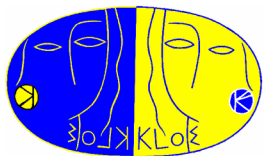
$\phi \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-, \eta \mu^+ \mu^-$



- In VMD models $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$ occurs through the $\rho \eta$ intermediate state
- $\phi \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$ violates the OZI rule and G-parity
 $\Rightarrow \text{Br}(\phi \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-) < 1.8 \times 10^{-5} @ 90\% \text{ C.L. [CMD-2, PLB491(2000)81]}$
- The same sample can be used to search for the Dalitz decay $\phi \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-$
 $\Rightarrow \text{Br}(\phi \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-) < 9.4 \times 10^{-6} @ 90\% \text{ C.L. [CMD-2, PLB501(2001)191]}$
- $L = 1.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ analyzed
- Focus on $\phi \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-$ process, exploiting both $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ and $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$ decays
- Goal: measure the Branching fraction, and extract the Transition Form Factor



$$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi \rightarrow \gamma \eta)} \frac{d\Gamma(\phi \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-)}{dq^2} = |F_{\phi\eta}(q^2)|^2 \times \frac{\alpha}{3\pi} \frac{1}{q^2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M_\mu^2}{q^2}} \left(1 + \frac{2M_\mu^2}{q^2}\right) \times \left[\left(1 + \frac{q^2}{M_\phi^2 - M_\eta^2}\right)^2 - \frac{4M_\phi^2 q^2}{(M_\phi^2 - M_\eta^2)^2} \right]^{3/2}$$

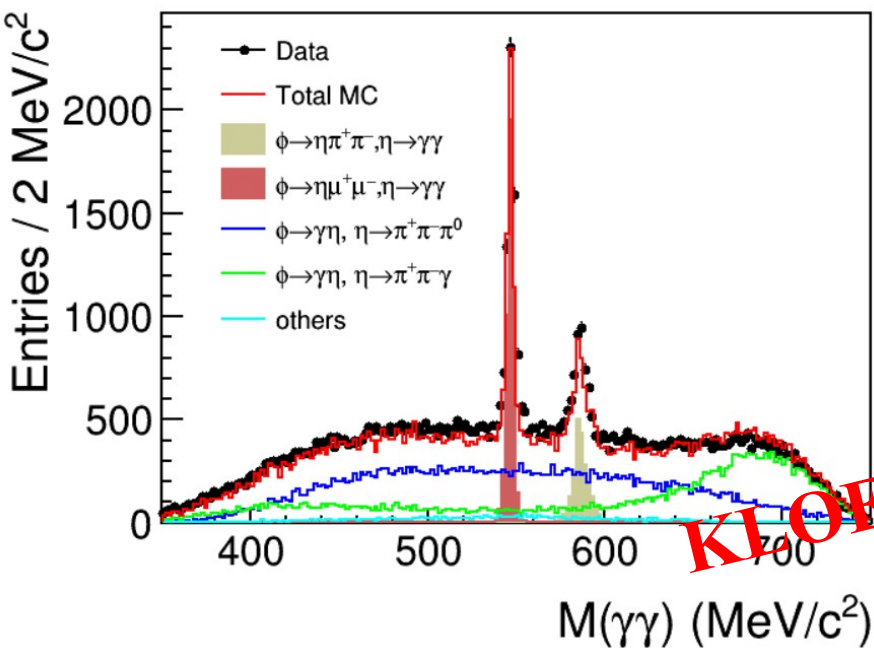


$\phi \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-$

Selection:

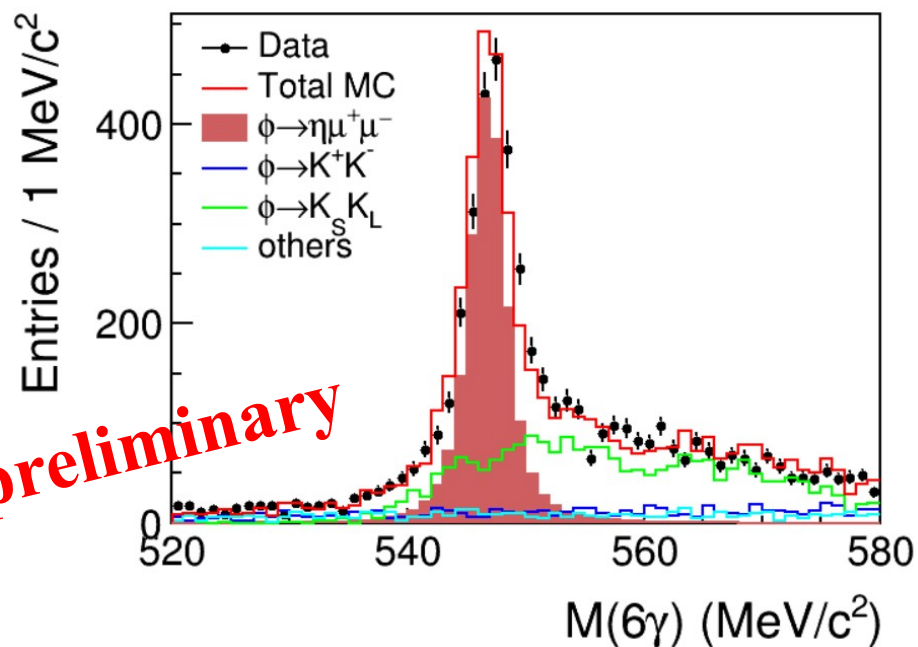
- 2 charged tracks + 2 ($\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$) or 6 ($\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$) prompt γ
- $M(\pi^+\pi^-) < 480$ MeV (tracks are considered pions to reject $K_S K_L$ events)
- Kinematic fit with 6 or 10 constraints
- Cut on $M(\gamma\mu^+\mu^-)$ to veto $\phi \rightarrow \gamma\eta$, $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\pi^+\pi^-$

$\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ channel



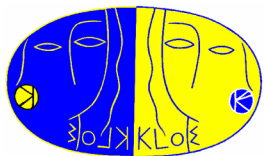
Continuum backgrounds from
 $\phi \rightarrow \eta\gamma$, $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$, $\pi^+\pi^-\gamma$

$\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$ channel



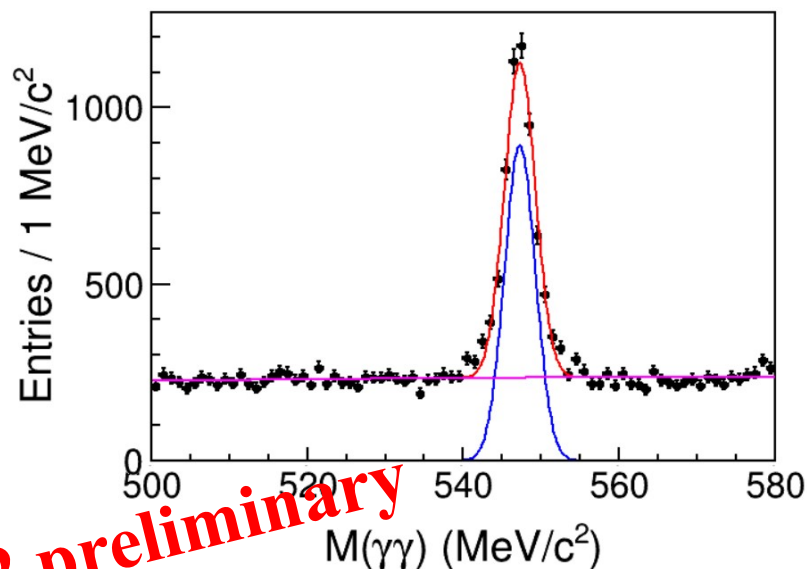
Main background:
 $\phi \rightarrow K_S K_L \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0\pi^0$

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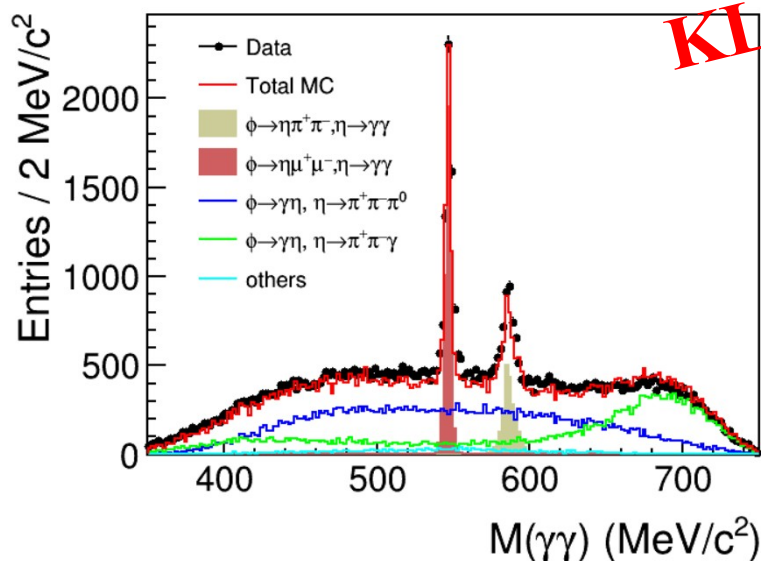


$$\phi \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-$$

- > Clear $\phi \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $\eta \mu^+ \mu^-$ signals are observed
- > The analysis is on going!

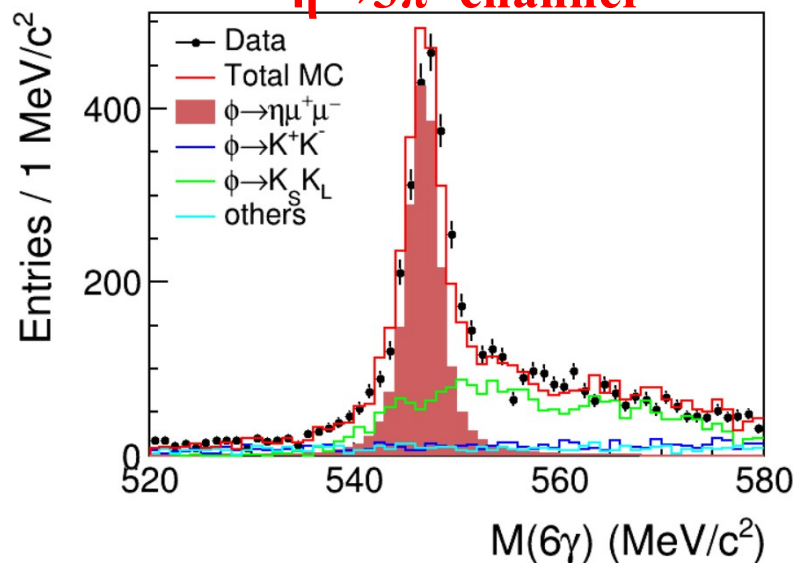


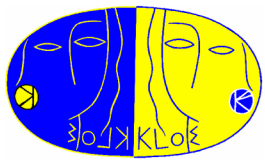
$\eta \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ channel



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$\eta \rightarrow 3 \pi^0$ channel





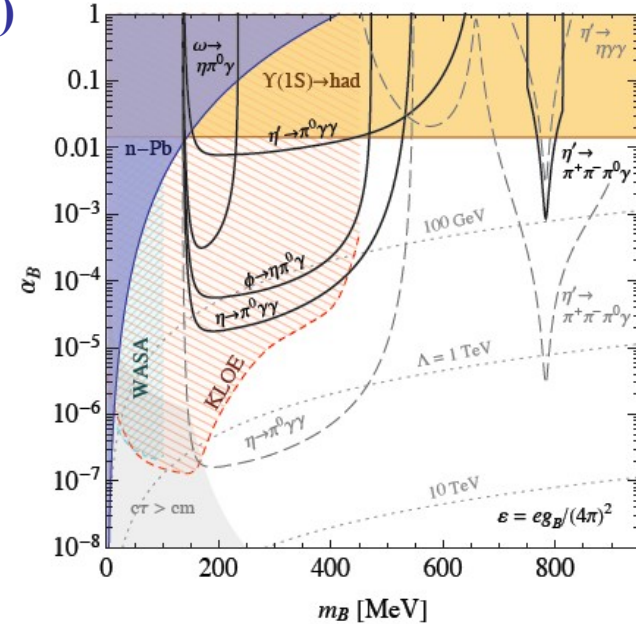
Leptophobic B-boson



- Dark Force mediator coupled to baryon number (B-boson) with the same quantum numbers of the $\omega(782) \Rightarrow I^G=0^-$
- Can have an impact in (g-2) muon anomaly

[S.Tulin, PRD89(2014)114008]

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{3} g_B \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q B_\mu \quad \alpha_B = \frac{g_B^2}{4\pi} \lesssim 10^{-5} \times (m_B/100\text{MeV})$$



- Dominant decay channel ($m_B < 600$ MeV):

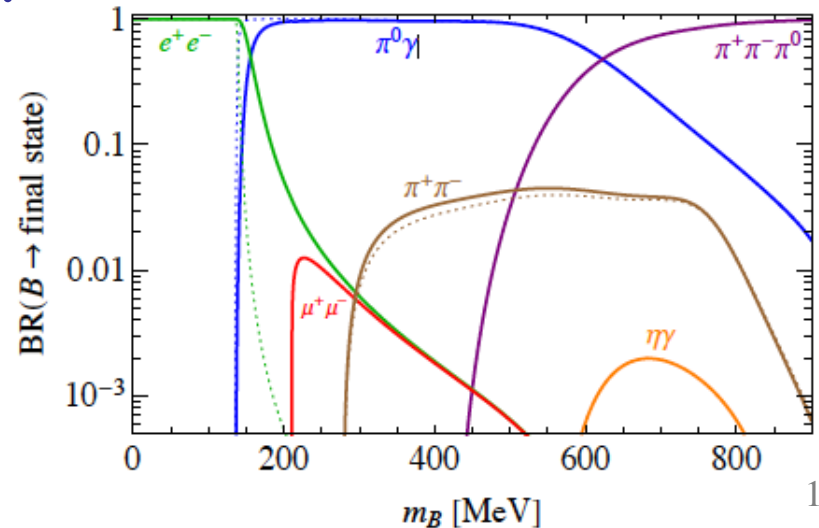
$$B \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$$

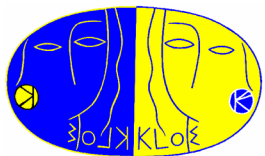
- Can be searched for in:

$$\phi \rightarrow \eta B \Rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \gamma \Rightarrow 5 \text{ prompt } \gamma \text{ final state}$$

$$\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma, \text{ with } \eta \rightarrow B \gamma \Rightarrow (\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma)$$

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow B \gamma_{\text{ISR}} \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma_{\text{ISR}}$$



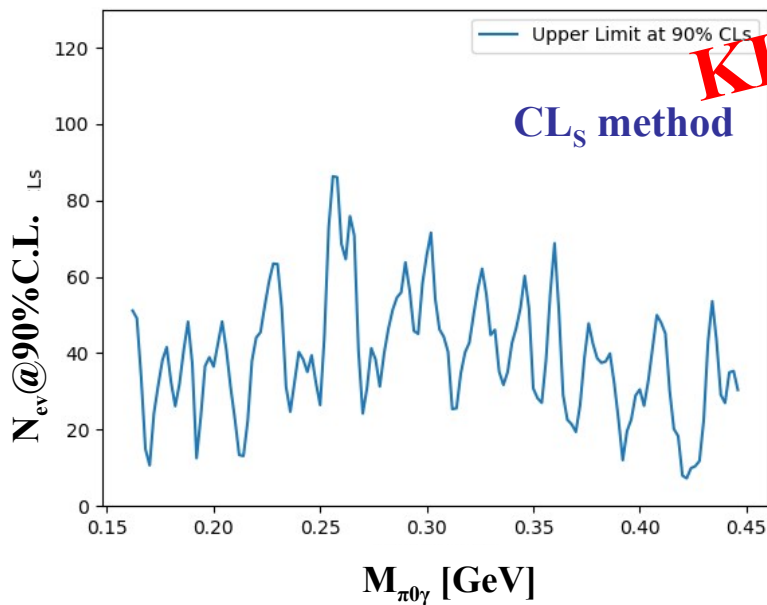
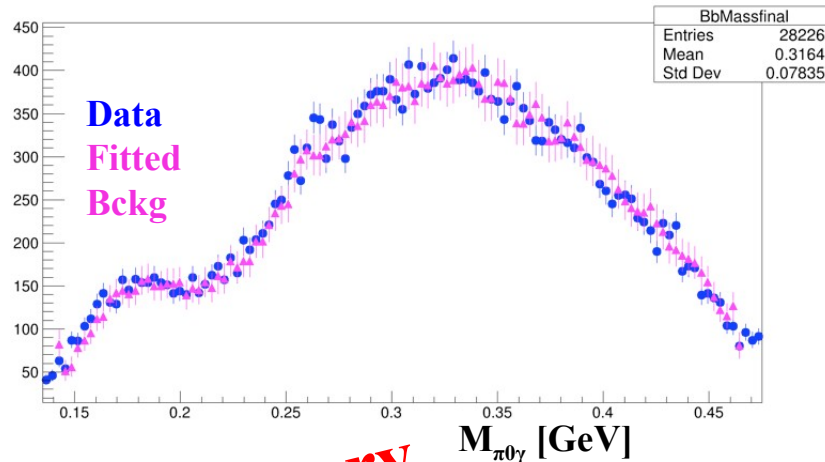


Leptophobic B-boson

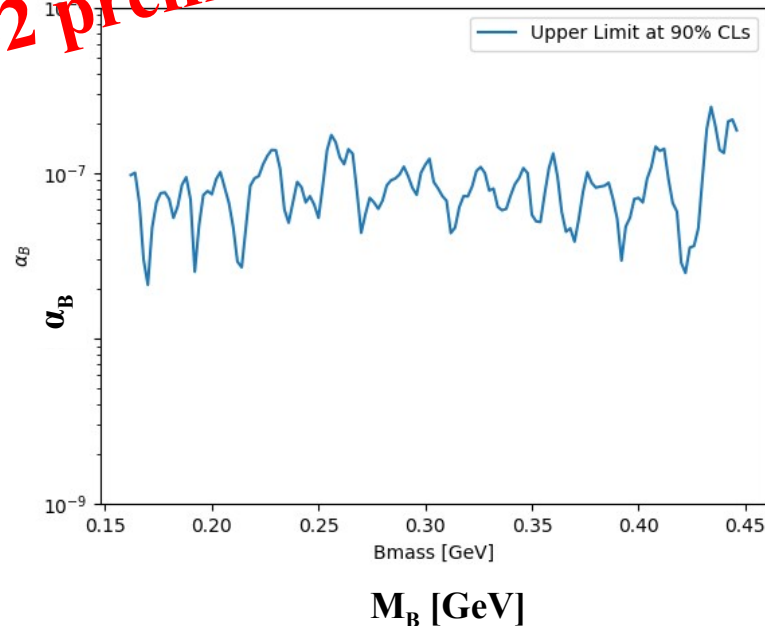


- $L = 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ analyzed
- Selection of **5 prompt photon** events
- Kinematic fit to improve energy resolution
- Main **background** from $\phi \rightarrow a_0(980)\gamma \rightarrow \eta\pi^0\gamma$ and $\phi \rightarrow \eta\gamma \rightarrow 3\pi^0\gamma$ with lost/merged photons
- Background evaluation from sidebands

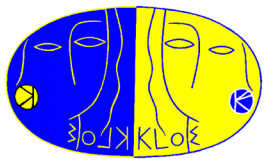
(fit region 5σ with 1σ exclusion region, $\sigma \sim 2 \text{ MeV}$)



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Upper limit on the **coupling constant α** are set around $O(10^{-7})$ at 90% CLs

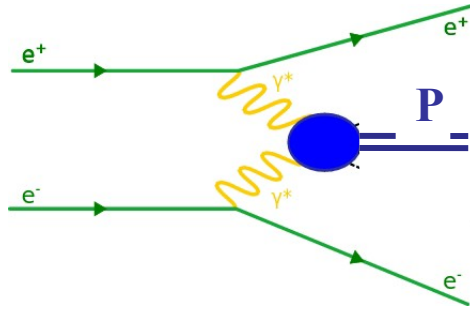


$$\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$$



$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow e^+ e^- P \quad [C(P) = +1]$$

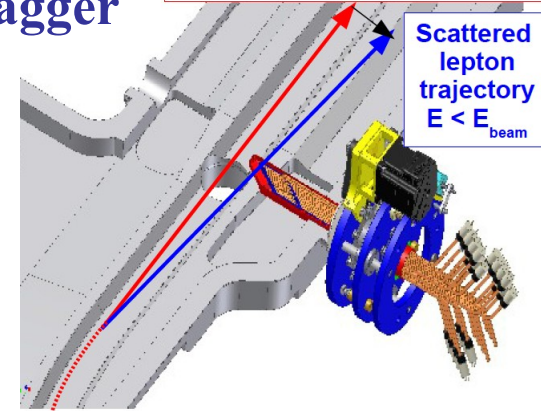
HET: e^+/e^- tagger



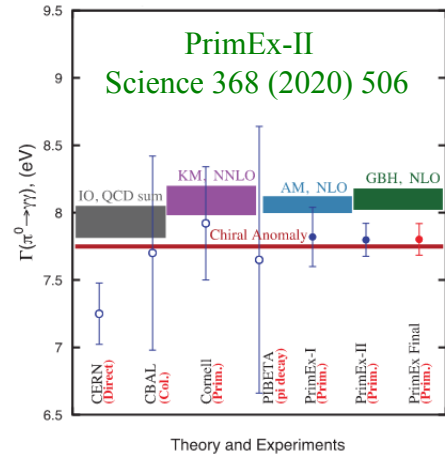
Goal: measurement of $\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$ @ few % level

Nominal orbit ($E_{\text{beam}} = 510 \text{ MeV}$)

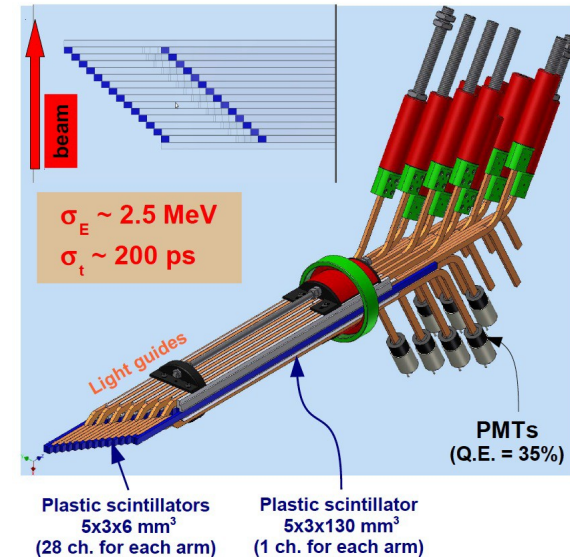
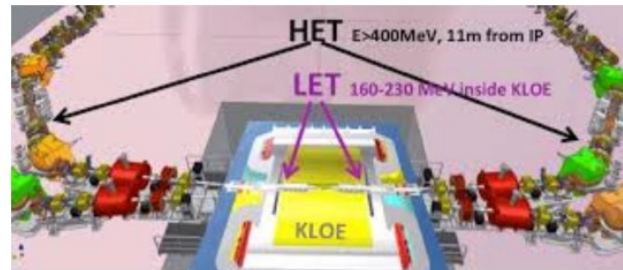
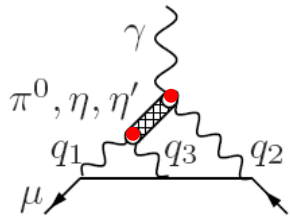
Scattered lepton trajectory $E < E_{\text{beam}}$

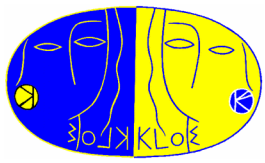


- Transition Form Factor $F_{\pi\gamma\gamma^*}(q^2, 0)$ at space-like q^2 ($|q^2| < 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$), relevant for the Light-by-Light scattering contribution to $(g-2)_\mu$



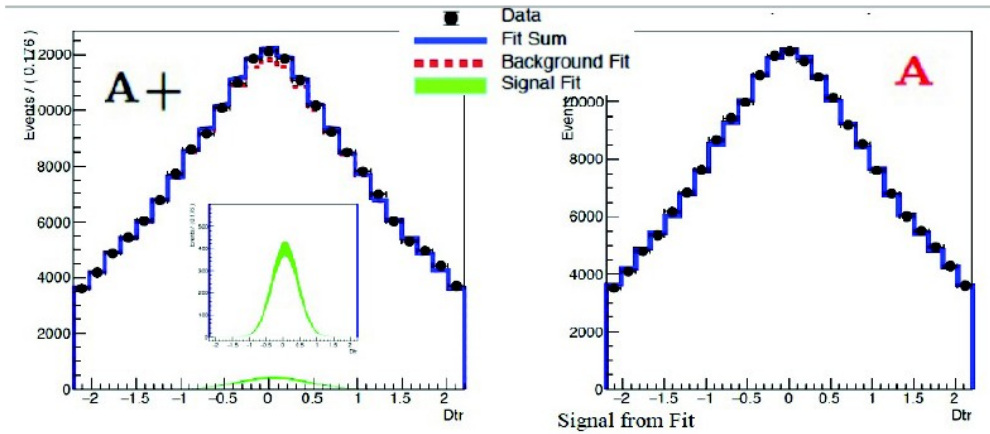
High energy tagger (HET) located 11 m away the IP after the bending dipoles acting like spectrometer for scattered e^+/e^- ($420 < E < 495 \text{ MeV}$)



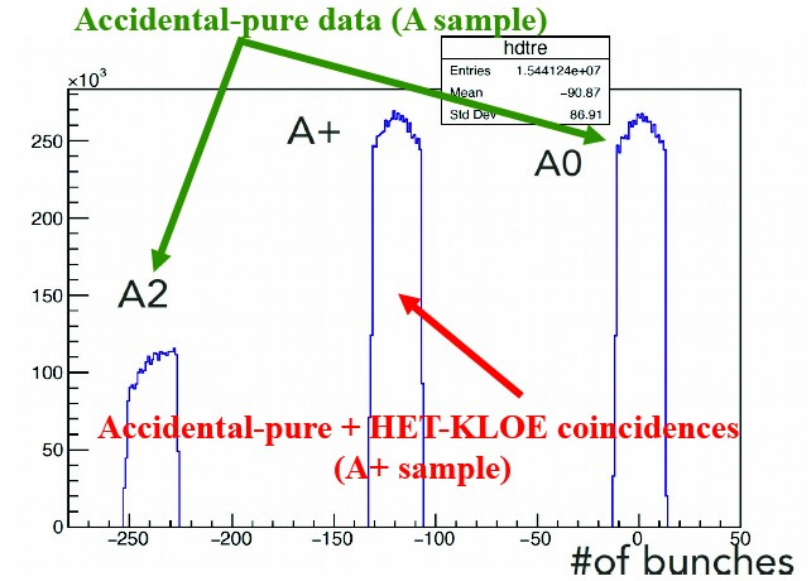


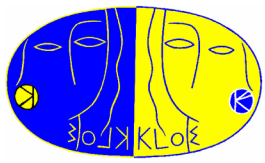
Analysis strategy

- ✓ Hits in HET station and at least one bunch in KLOE associated with only 2 clusters in EMC
- ✓ HET acquisition time 2.5 times larger than KLOE →
 - **A sample:** outside overlapping time window HET-only
 - **A+ sample:** overlapping KLOE-HET time window
- ✓ Simultaneous fits of A+ and A samples



Example of fit on one HET readout channel

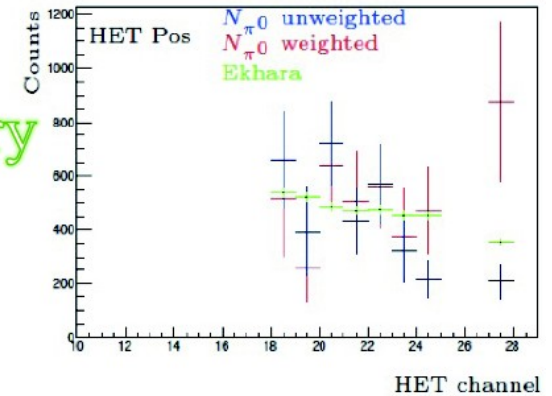
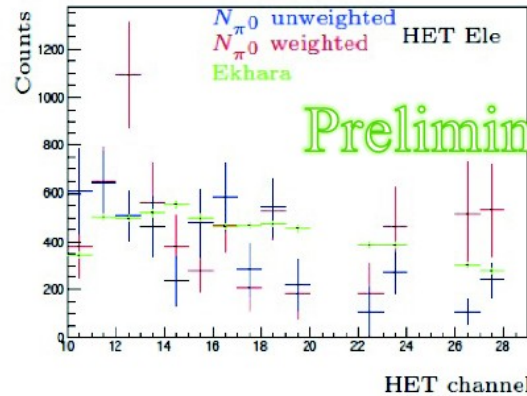




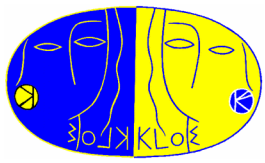
The number of tagged π^0 with 3 fb^{-1} data

$$\frac{\sigma_{\pi^0}}{\sigma_{\text{Bha}}} = \frac{N_{\pi^0}^{\text{meas}}}{\epsilon_{\text{ana}} N_{\text{Bha}}^{\text{meas}}} \frac{A_{\text{Bha}}}{A_{\pi^0}}$$

$$N_{\text{Bha}}^{\text{meas}} = \sigma_{\text{Bha}}^{\text{meas}} \int L dt$$



- ✓ N_{π^0} counting: final checks on weights ongoing
- ✓ Normalize to Radiative Bhabha at very small angle
- ✓ $\sigma_{\text{Bha}}^{\text{meas}}$ is measured at few % level
- ✓ Luminosity measurement from KLOE online and cross-checks with $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- ✓ ϵ_{ana} : Analysis efficiency evaluation completed
- ✓ A_{bha}/A_{π^0} : Full simulation of signal and control sample, evaluated from Ekchara/BBBREM generator + BDSIM for lepton transport, **evaluation of systematics in progress**



Summary

KLOE-2 data-taking successfully completed on March 30, 2018
~ 20 years after the first events collected in KLOE

KLOE + KLOE-2 sample $\Rightarrow \sim 8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ – unique sample worldwide
 $\Rightarrow \sim 2.4 \times 10^{10} \phi$'s produced

The data sample collected by KLOE provided important results on **decay dynamics of light mesons, Transition Form Factors, discrete symmetries of the nature, and also on searches for New Physics in the Dark Sector**

High precision investigation on light hadron physics and on fundamental symmetries with KLOE/KLOE-2 data are in progress...