

# Results on searches for new physics with kaons

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# Outline

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- NA62 measurement of  $R_K = \Gamma_{Ke2}/\Gamma_{K\mu2}$
- Prospects for measurement of  $BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu)$

# Physics motivations

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$$R_K = \frac{\Gamma(K \rightarrow e\nu(\gamma))}{\Gamma(K \rightarrow \mu\nu(\gamma))} = \frac{m_e^2}{m_\mu^2} \left( \frac{m_K^2 - m_e^2}{m_K^2 - m_\mu^2} \right)^2 (1 + \delta R_K)$$

- Excellent accuracy due to cancellation of hadronic uncertainties in the ratio
- Helicity suppression of electronic mode, enhancement of sensitivity to non-SM effects

$$R_K(\text{SM}) = (2.477 \pm 0.001) \cdot 10^{-5} \quad 0.04\% \text{ precision!!}$$

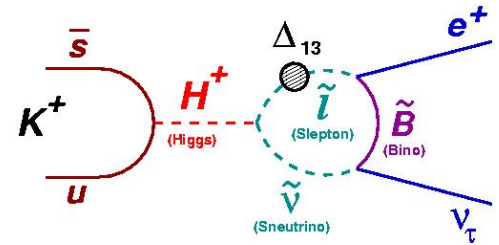
(V. Cirigliano, I. Rosell JHEP 0710:005 (2007))

- $\delta R_K$  due to IB part of the radiative  $K \rightarrow e\nu\gamma$  process
- $K \rightarrow e\nu\gamma(\text{IB})$  included by default in  $R_K$

# $R_K$ beyond the Standard Model

- The value of  $R_K$  could be different in case of SUSY LFV
  - Masiero, Paradisi, Petronzio, *Phys. Rev. D* 74 (2006) 011701
    - "Charged Higgs mediated SUSY LFV contributions can be strongly enhanced in kaon decays into an electron or a muon and a tau neutrino"

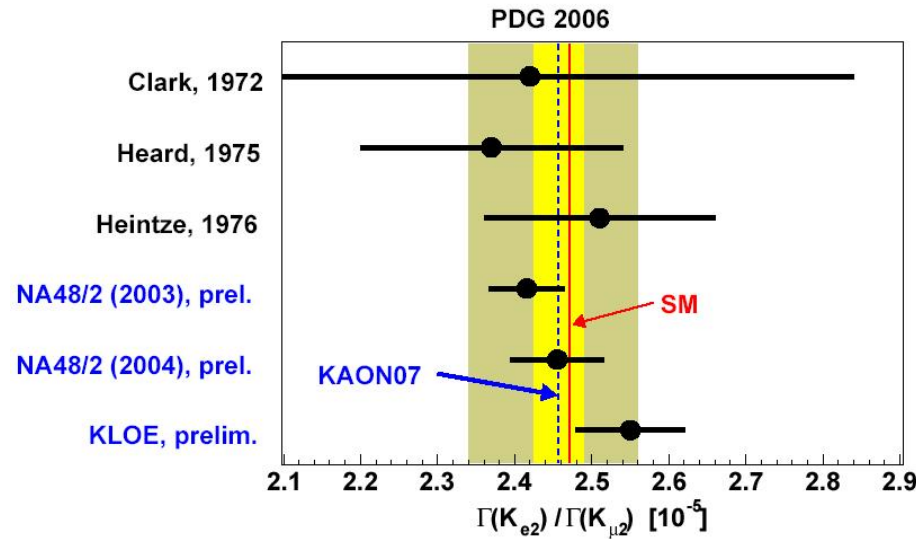
$$R_K^{LFV} \approx R_K^{SM} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{m_K^4}{M_{H^\pm}^4} \right) \left( \frac{m_\tau^2}{M_e^2} \right) \left| \Delta_{13} \right|^2 \tan^6 \beta \right]$$



- $\Delta_{13} = 6 \cdot 10^{-3}$ ,  $M_H = 500 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\tan\beta = 40 \rightarrow R_K^{LFV} \sim R_K^{SM} \cdot (1 + 0.013)$
- Analogous SUSY effects in pion decays are suppressed by a factor  $(m_\pi/M_K)^4 \sim 6 \cdot 10^{-3}$

# The experimental situation

- Three experiments from the 70's
  - $R_K = (2.45 \pm 0.11) \cdot 10^{-5}$
  - $\delta R_K / R_K = 4.5\%$
- Recent significant improvement by the preliminary results of NA48/2 and KLOE
  - $R_K = (2.457 \pm 0.032) \cdot 10^{-5}$
  - $\delta R_K / R_K = 1.3\%$
- Final result from KLOE (Mar 2009)
  - ~10000  $K_{e2}$  candidates
  - $R_K = (2.493 \pm 0.025 \pm 0.019) \cdot 10^{-5}$
  - $\delta R_K / R_K = 1.3\%$



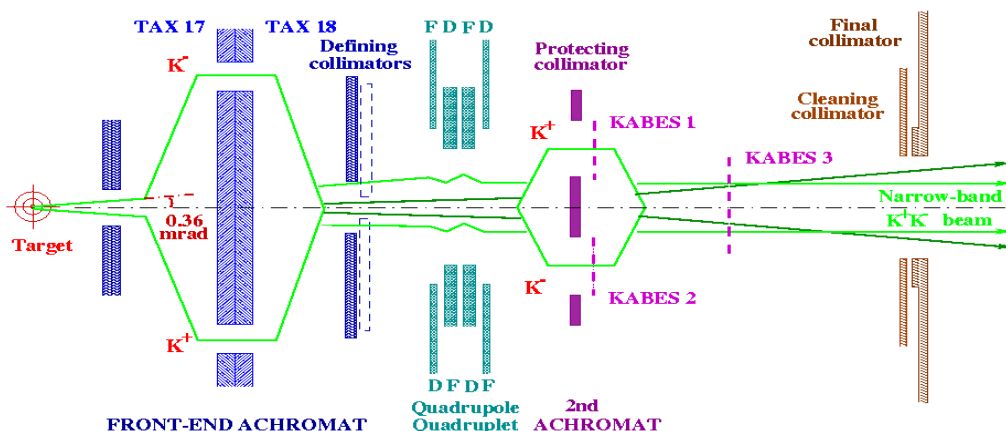
- NA62 goals from the proposal
  - ~150000  $K_{e2}$  events
  - 0.4% accuracy

# The NA62 Beam and Detector

The NA48/2 beam has been optimized for  $R_K$  measurement

Simultaneous  $K^+$  and  $K^-$  beams with  $P_K = (75 \pm 2 \text{ GeV}/c)$

Maximum spectrometer  $P_T$  kick to improve missing mass resolution



Use the NA48 detector

LKr Calorimeter:

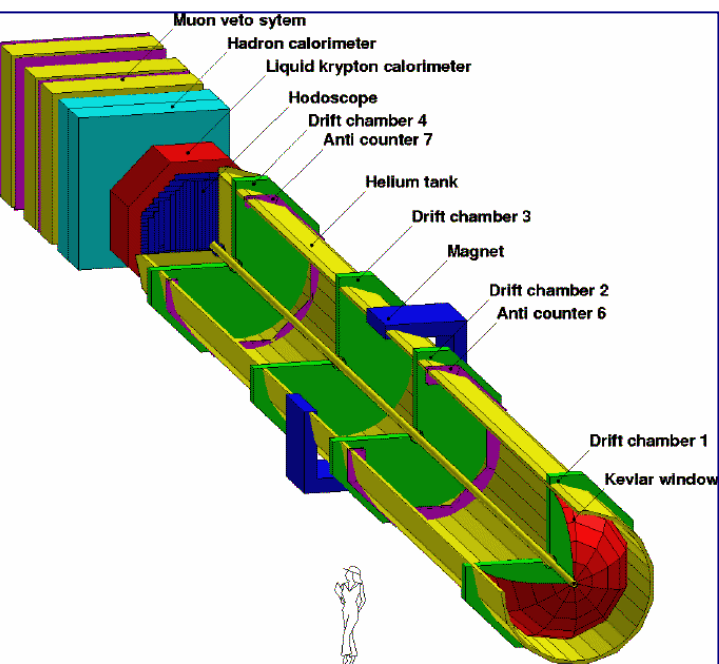
$$\sigma(E)/E \cong 3.2\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 90 \text{ MeV}/E \oplus 0.42\%$$

Energy resolution  $\sim 1\%$ , spatial resolution 1 mm

Spectrometer:

$$\sigma(P)/P \cong 0.48\% \oplus 0.009 P[\text{GeV}/c]\%$$

Scintillator hodoscope: fast trigger and good time resolution



# 2007 and 2008 runs

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- 2007 sample, 4 months
  - Minimum bias trigger
  - ~400 K SPS spills, 90 TB of raw data
  - All data reprocessed and ready for the complete analysis
  - Beam halo background much higher for  $K^-$  (~20%) than for  $K^+$  (~1%)
    - Due to the configuration of muon sweepers
    - 90% of the data sample is  $K^+$  only
    - $K^+$  only and  $K^-$  only data allow precise cross-measurement of beam halo background
- 2008 sample, 2 weeks
  - Special runs for systematics study
- The following results are based on 40% of the statistics with pure  $K^+$  beam

# NA62 $R_K$ measurement

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## - Analysis strategy

- $K_{e2}$  and  $K_{\mu2}$  decays collected simultaneously
  - Independence from the kaon flux
  - Many systematic effects cancel in the ratio
- Limited use of MC simulations
  - Geometric acceptance correction
  - Simulation of catastrophic bremsstrahlung by muons
- Perform analysis in momentum bins
  - Background composition varies with momentum

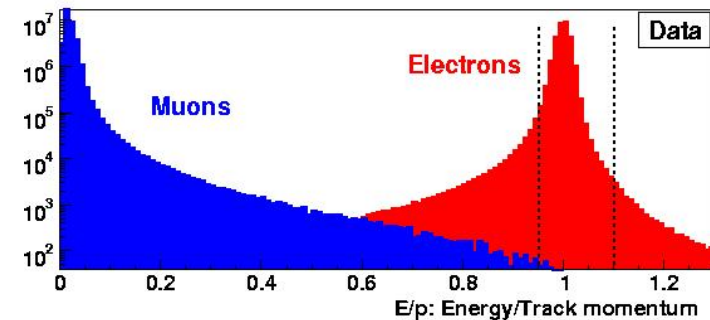
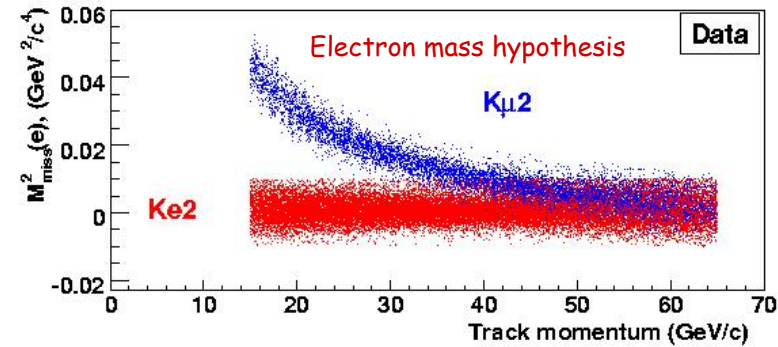
$$R_K = \frac{\overset{\text{Signal events}}{N(K_{e2}) - N_B(K_{e2})}}{\underset{\text{Bckg events}}{N(K_{\mu2}) - N_B(K_{\mu2})}} \bullet \frac{\overset{\text{PID efficiencies}}{A(K_{\mu2}) \times f_{\mu} \times \varepsilon(K_{\mu2})}}{\underset{\text{Acceptances}}{A(K_{e2}) \times f_e \times \varepsilon(K_{e2})}} \bullet \frac{1}{\underset{\text{LKR readout efficiency}}{f_{LKR}}}$$

Trigger efficiencies



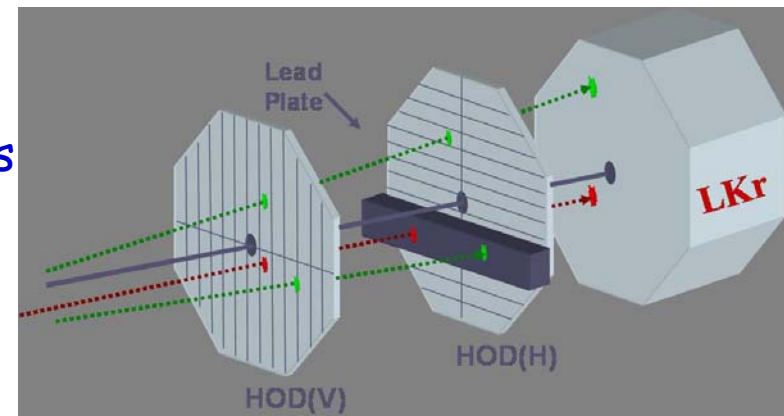
# $K_{e2}$ and $K_{\mu2}$ selection

- Common selection
  - One reconstructed track,  $15 < P < 65 \text{ GeV}/c$
  - Common geometrical cuts
  - Decay vertex defined as closest distance of approach track-nominal K axis
- Kinematical separation
  - Use missing mass squared  $M_{\text{miss}}^2 = (P_K - P_\ell)^2$
  - $P_K$  is measured from the data with  $K \rightarrow 3\pi$ 
    - No  $K_{\mu2}$  background in  $K_{e2}$  sample below  $25 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Particle ID
  - $E_{\text{LKr}}/P_{\text{spect}} < 0.2$  for muons, between 0.95 and 1.10 for electrons



# The major background to $K_{e2} - 1$

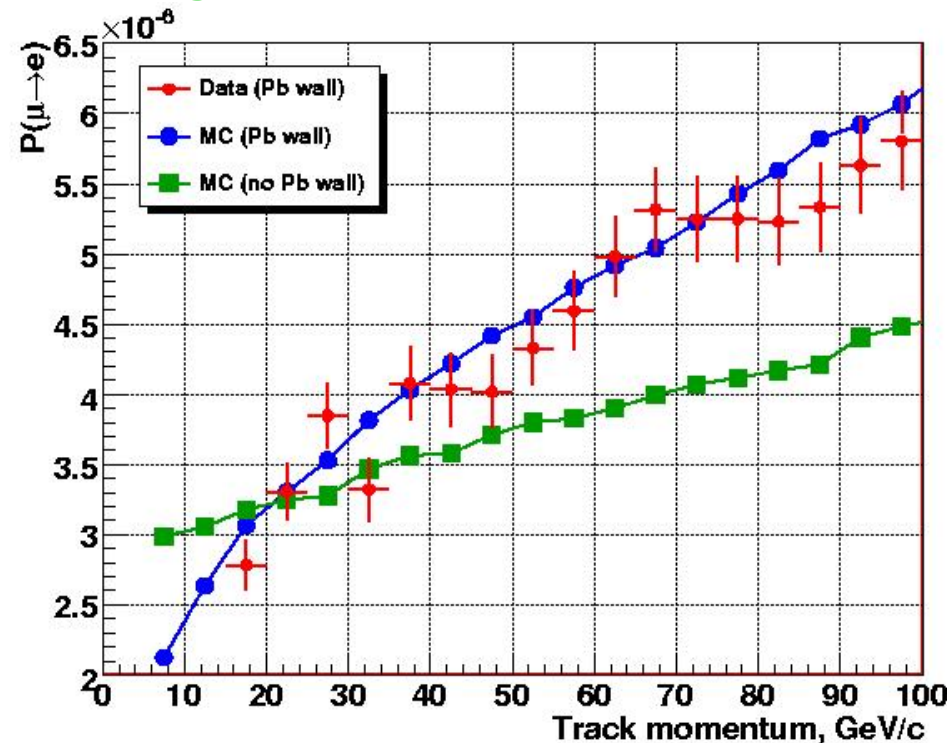
- Catastrophic bremsstrahlung of muons in the LKr
  - Gives  $E/p > 0.95 \rightarrow$  tag the event as  $K_{e2}$
  - Probability  $\sim 3 \cdot 10^{-6}$ 
    - $K_{\mu 2} / K_{e2} \sim 40000 \rightarrow$  background  $O(10\%)$
  - Need a direct measurement to validate the muon bremsstrahlung cross section in this region
- Measure it putting  $9 X_0$  of lead in front of the calorimeter
  - For about 50% of the run time, 18% acceptance reduction
  - Tracks traversing the lead are pure muons
  - Compare with simulation and then extrapolate to the configuration without lead



# The major background to $K_{e2} - 2$

- $P(\mu \rightarrow e)$ : measurement vs simulation
  - Very good agreement
  - Modified wrt  $P$  without wall by
    - Muon ionization losses at low  $P$
    - Muon bremsstrahlung in the lead at high  $P$
  - $P(\mu \rightarrow e) = (7.4 \pm 0.2)\%$

- Improvements are possible
  - Uncertainty due the size of the data sample used for the comparison
  - 2x sample collected during the run in 2008
  - Use muons from  $K_{\mu 2}$  decays in the momentum region below 25  $\text{GeV}/c$

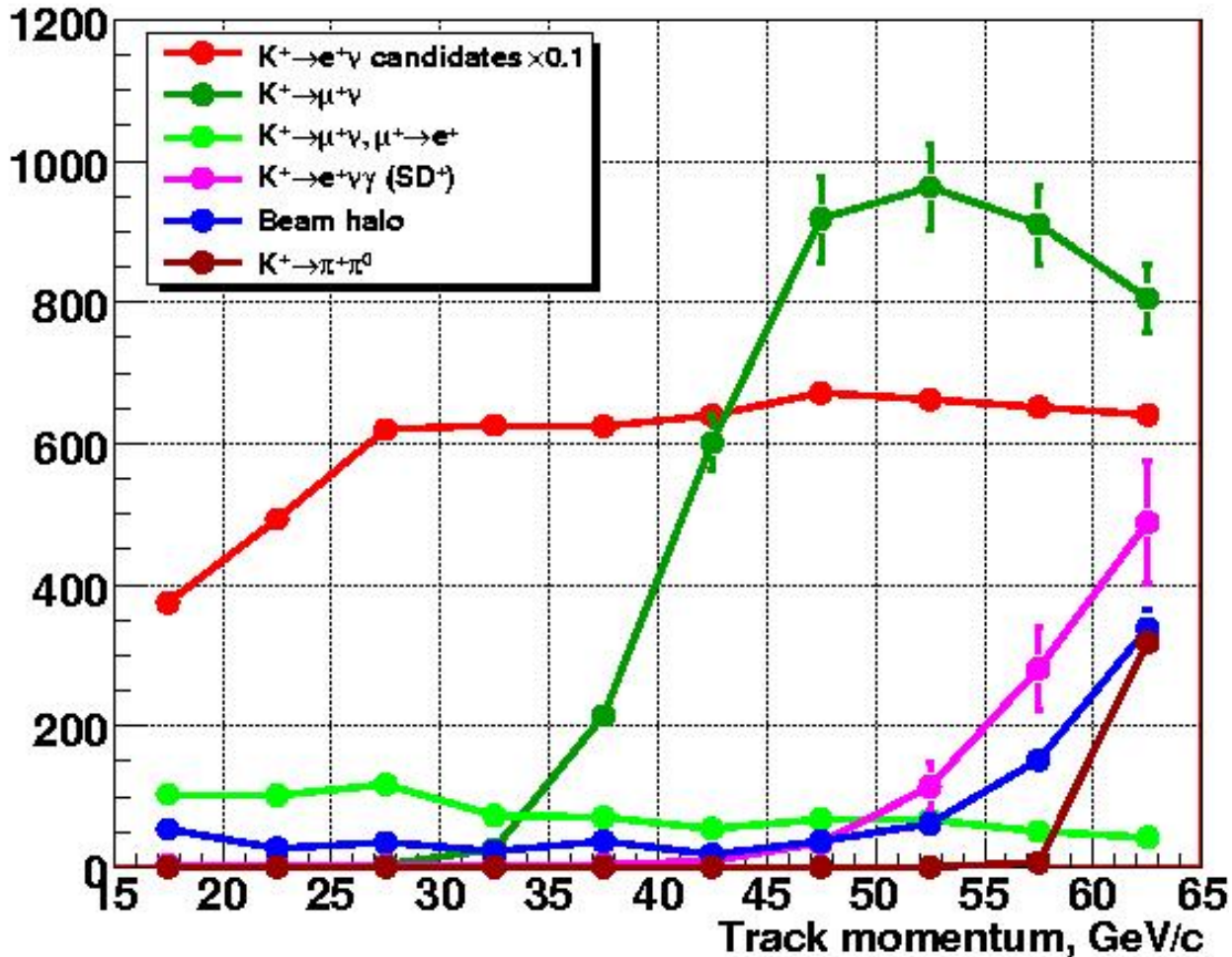


# Other backgrounds to $K_{e2}$

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- Beam halo 1.3 ± 0.1 %
  - Beam halo muons decaying to electrons
  - Measured using  $K^-$  only sample
  - Special data collected in 2008 will improve the statistical error
- $K_{\mu 2}$  with  $\mu \rightarrow e$  decay 1.3 ± 0.1 %
  - Included in the MC simulation
- $K_{e2\gamma}$  (SD+) 1.6 ± 0.3 %
  - Default background,  $R_K$  includes only IB
  - Rate similar to  $K_{e2}$ , the theory is form factor model-dependent
  - Branching ratio known to ~20% BR=(1.52±0.23)·10<sup>-5</sup>
  - Improvement with a direct measurement from an ongoing analysis of 2007 NA62 data

# Summary of the backgrounds



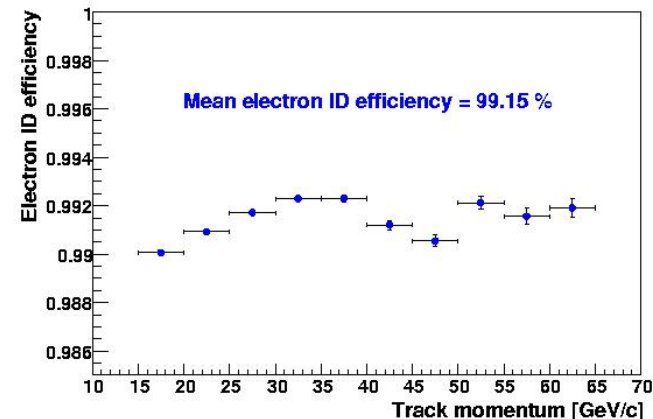
Background increasing with momentum

Systematic effect: 0.4%

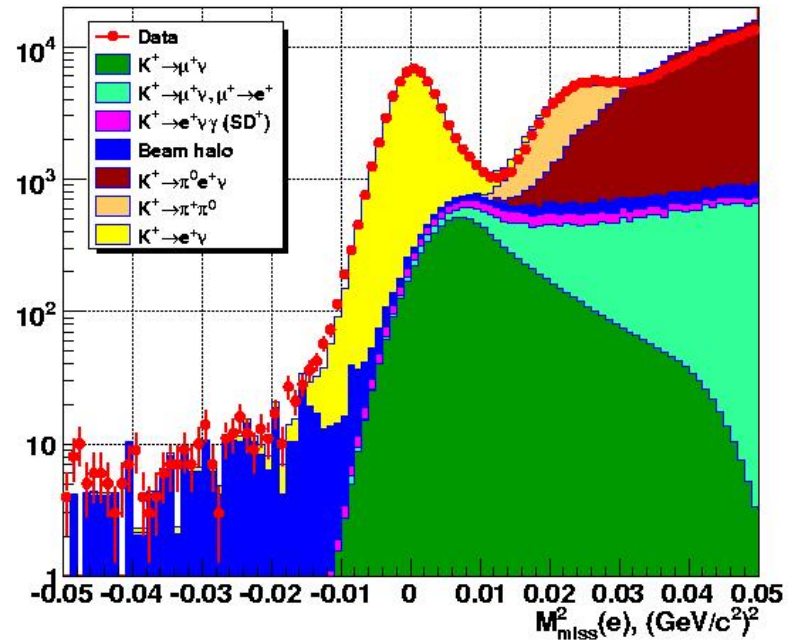
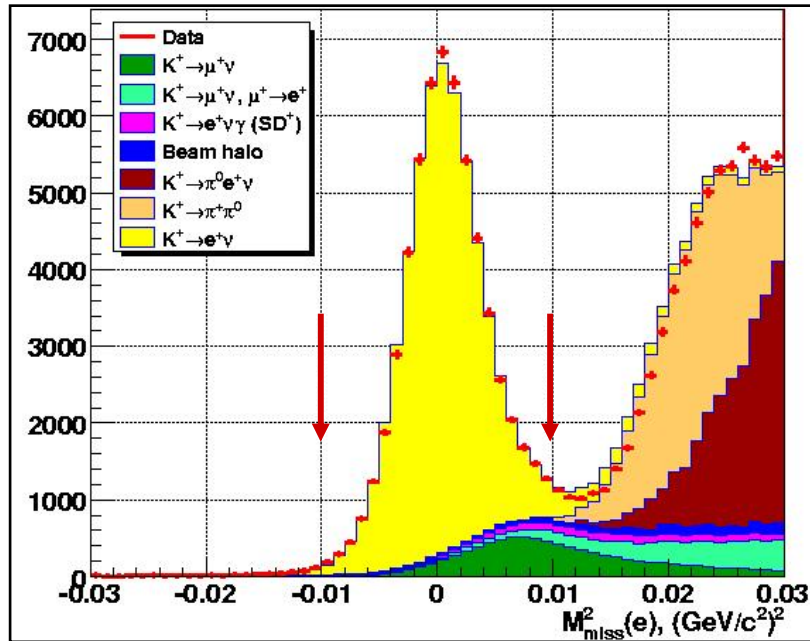
Improvements foreseen for each component

# More systematics

- Electron ID efficiency  $f_e$ 
  - Measured with pure electron samples from  $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 e^\pm \nu$  collected during the main data taking ( $P < 50 \text{ GeV}/c$ ) and with  $K_L \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\pm \nu$ , collected with a special  $K_L$  run
  - Good agreement between the two,  $f_e = 99.15\%$ , error better than 0.1%
- Muon ID efficiency  $f_\mu$ 
  - From a special muon run
  - $f_\mu = (0.996 - 0.998)$
- Acceptance correction
  - Momentum dependent
  - Strongly affected by  $K_{e2}(\text{IB})$  radiative correction (1.2-1.4)
- Trigger efficiency correction
  - Measured using control trigger samples, better than 0.1%



# $K_{e2}$ candidates



## $K_{e2}$ background summary (%)

$K_{\mu 2}$	$7.4 \pm 0.2$
$K_{\mu 2}, \mu \rightarrow e$	$1.3 \pm 0.1$
$K_{e2\gamma}(SD+)$	$1.6 \pm 0.3$
Beam halo	$1.3 \pm 0.1$
$K_{e3}$	0.1
$K_{2\pi}$	$0.6 \pm 0.1$

Only 40% of data used

Total estimated sample:

140k  $K^+$  and 20k  $K^-$  candidates

Proposal: 150k candidates

# Analysis summary

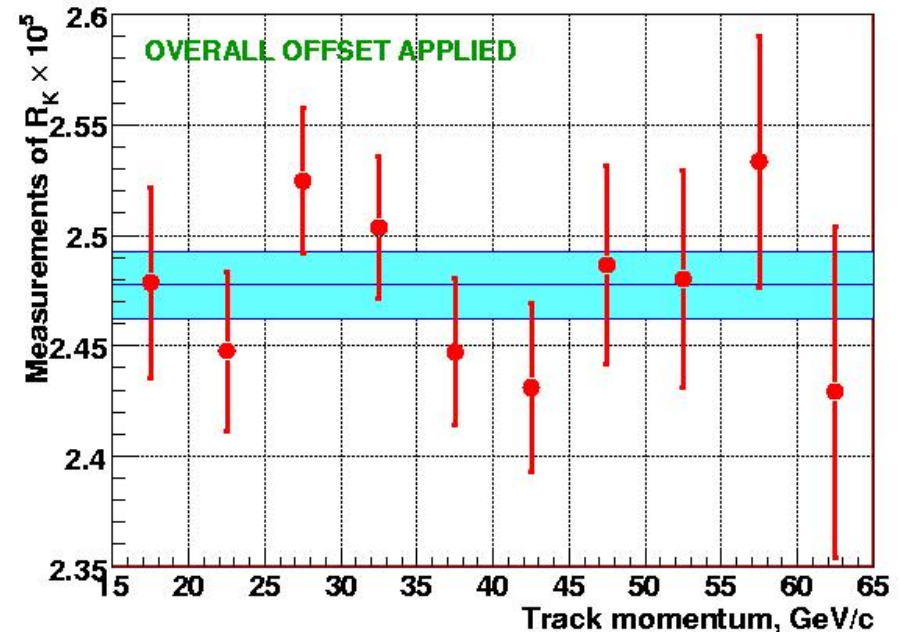
40% of the data sample used

10 momentum bins

Result stable vs momentum

Main uncertainties

Statistical	0.4%
$K_{\mu 2}$	0.2%
$K_{e 2\gamma}(SD+)$	0.3%
Beam halo	0.1%
IB simulation	0.3%
Expected total	0.6-0.7%



Still room to improve systematic errors

With the total sample of ~160k candidates

statistical error below 0.3%

total uncertainty of 0.4-0.5%



# Prospects: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$

- **FCNC** process forbidden at tree level

- Only one loop contributions: **Boxes** and **Penguins**

- Top contribution is dominant: small coupling in CKM between t and d,s  $\rightarrow \lambda^5$

- Clean **theoretical environment**: small contribution by hadronic matrix element and long distance terms

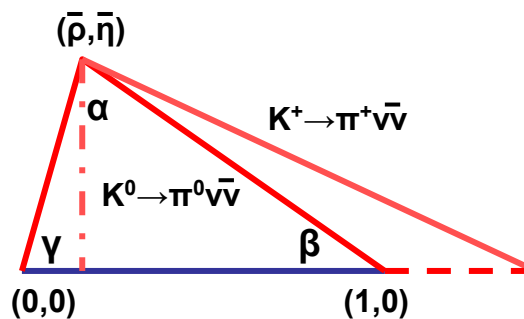
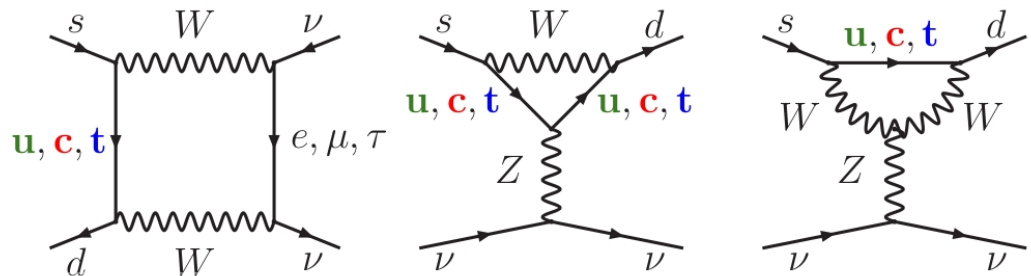
- Theoretical expectations (as of CKM08)

$$-BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) \sim (0.85 \pm 0.07) \cdot 10^{-10} \quad \text{for } m_c = (1286 \pm 13) \text{ MeV}$$

$$-BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) \sim (2.76 \pm 0.40) \cdot 10^{-11}$$

- Experimental status from E787/E949 (2008)

$$-BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) \sim 1.73^{+1.15}_{-1.05} \cdot 10^{-10}$$

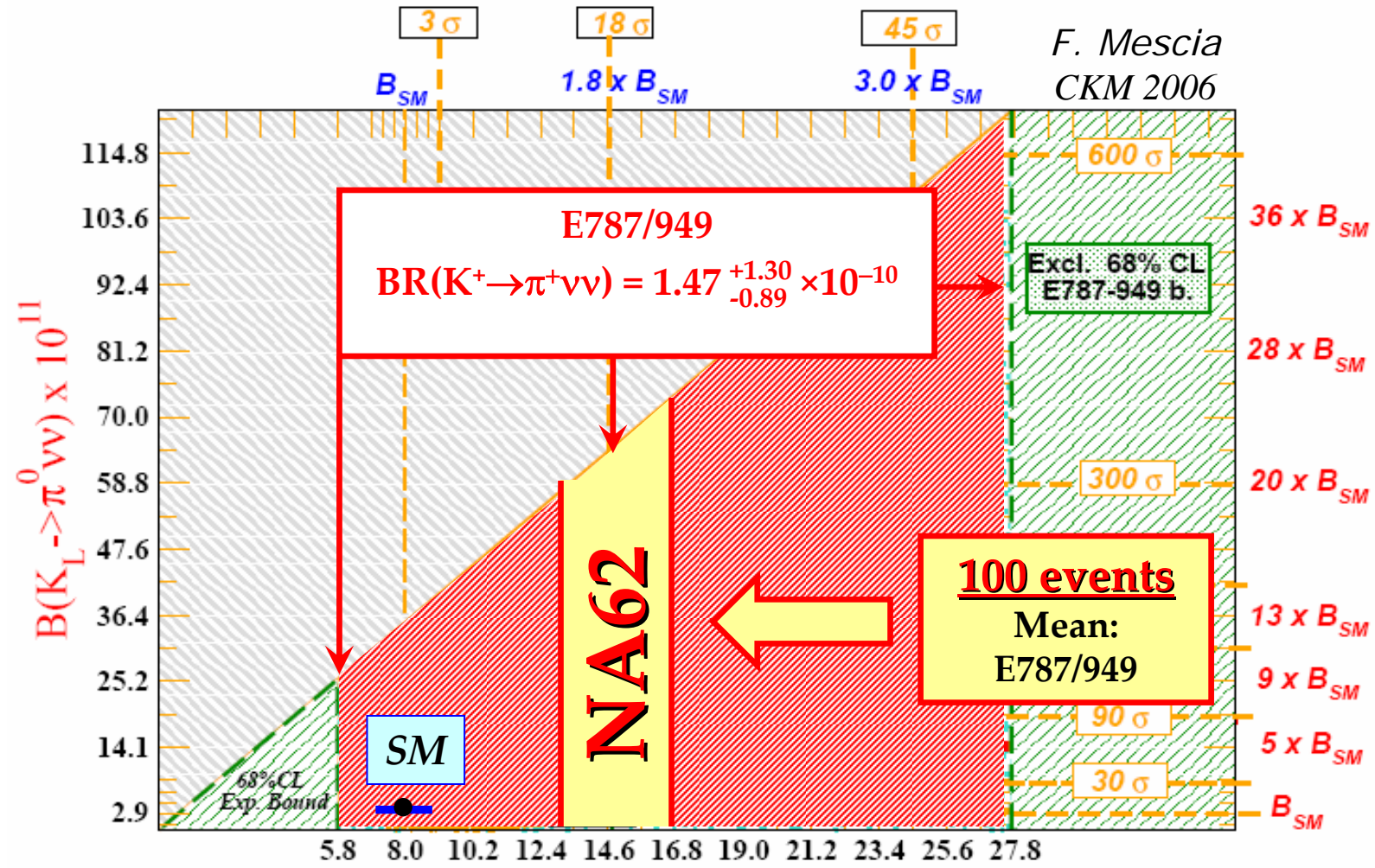


- Cleanest way to extract  $V_{td}$  and to give independent determination of the **unitarity triangle**

- Complementarity with B physics

- Very sensitive to New Physics

# $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$ beyond the SM



F. Mescia  
CKM 2006

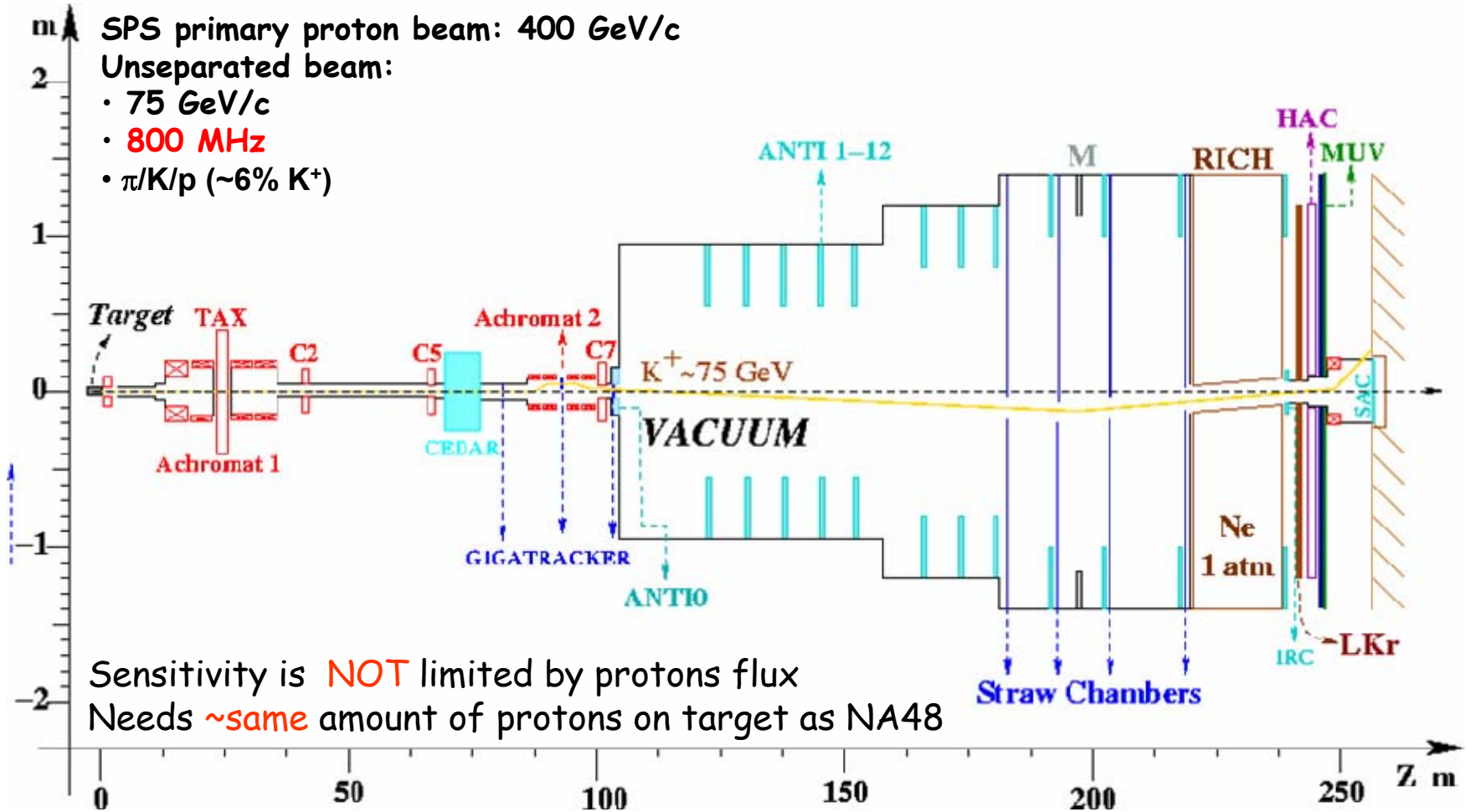
Possible values from many NP models  $B(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu) \times 10^{11}$  A way to distinguish between models

# NA62 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$ measurement

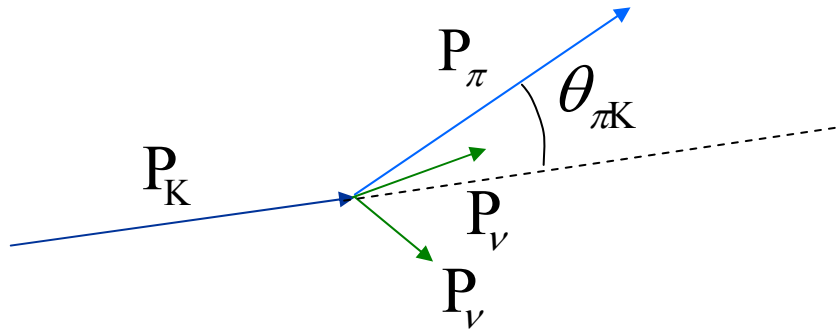
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- Measure the  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$  decay with 10% accuracy
  - Collect  $\sim 100$  signal events in 2 years
  - 10% signal acceptance
    - Need  $10^{13}$  Kaon decays
  - 10:1 signal to background ratio
- The path to the measurement
  - Proposal and R/D started in 2004
  - Eventually approved by funding agencies
  - Build the detector in 2009-2010
  - Get data in 2011-2012

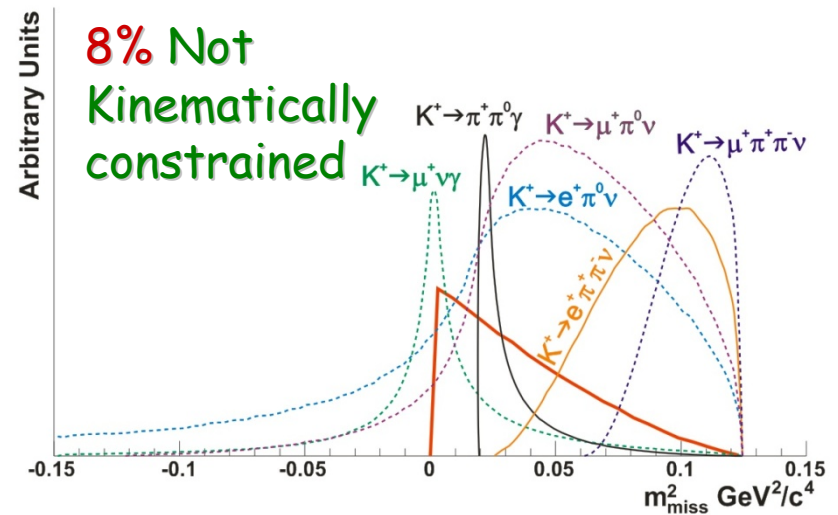
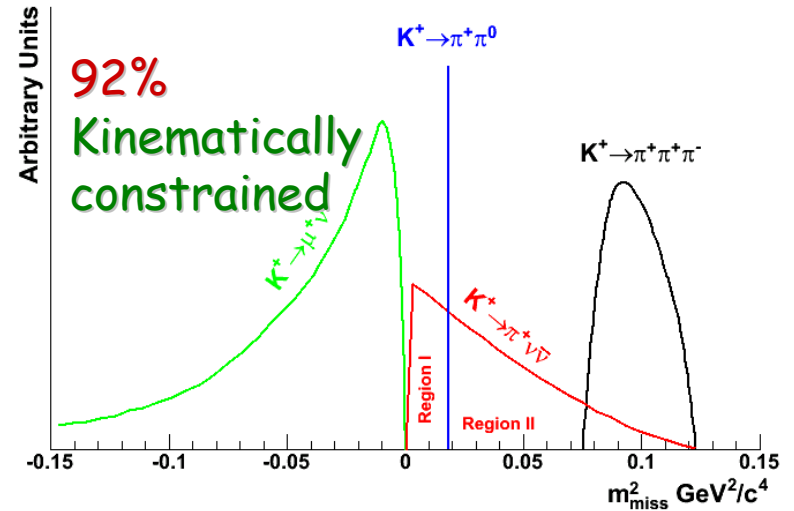
# NA62 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$ detector



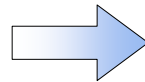
# The experimental principle



$$m_{miss}^2 \cong m_K^2 \left( 1 - \frac{|P_\pi|}{|P_K|} \right) + m_\pi^2 \left( 1 - \frac{|P_K|}{|P_\pi|} \right) - |P_K| |P_\pi| \theta_{\pi K}^2$$

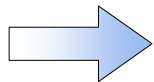


Single track signature



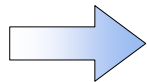
Kaon and pion momentum measurement

Kinematically and not constrained bkg



PID and Veto

Ultrarare signal



High intensity beam and good trigger system (1 Mhz LO trigger rate)

# Updated Sensitivity vs. Proposal

Decay Mode	New layout	Proposal
<b>Signal: <math>K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu</math></b> [ <i>flux</i> = $4.8 \times 10^{12}$ decay/year]	<b>55 evt/year</b>	<b>65 evt/year</b>
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ [ $\eta_{\pi^0} = 2 \times 10^{-8}$ ( $3.5 \times 10^{-8}$ )]	4.3% (7.5%)	4.2%
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$	2.2%	1.9%
$K^+ \rightarrow e^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \nu$	$\leq 3\%$	$\sim 3\%$
Other 3 – track decays	$\leq 1.5\%$	$\sim 1.5\%$
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 \gamma$	$\sim 2\%$	2%
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu \gamma$	$\sim 0.7\%$	0.7%
$K^+ \rightarrow e^+ (\mu^+) \pi^0 \nu$ , others	negligible	negligible
<b>Expected background</b>	<b><math>\leq 13.5\%</math> (<math>\leq 17\%</math>)</b>	<b><math>\sim 13\%</math></b>

# NA62 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu$ measurement

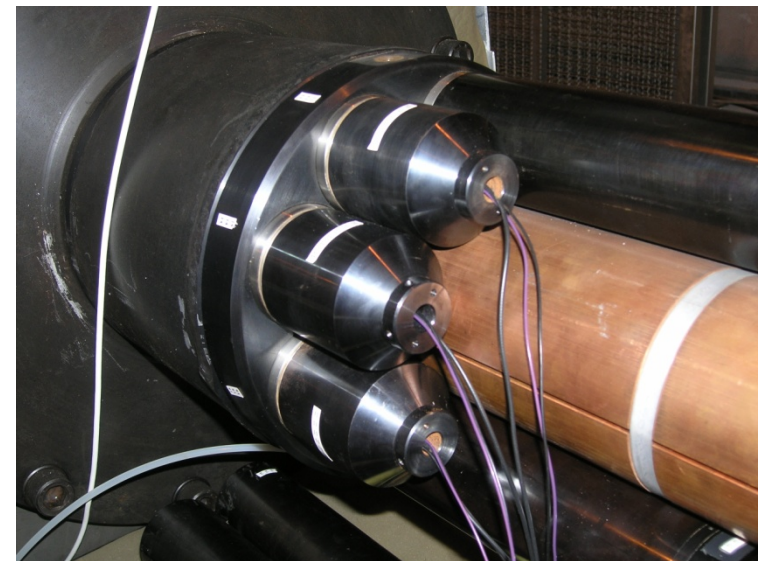
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- Challenging detector and experimental technique
  - Precise timing to associate the pion to the parent kaon
    - High-rate tracker for the time of the parent particle
  - Kinematical rejection (cut on missing mass) of two- and three-body decays
    - High-rate tracker for K momentum measurement and a spectrometer based on straws in vacuum
  - Vetoes (for photons and muons)
    - Fast muon hodoscope plane
    - OPAL lead glass blocks arranged in rings for photon veto, together with the existing NA48 LKr calorimeter and small angle vetoes
  - Cerenkov particle identification (K/ $\pi$  in the beam,  $\pi/\mu$  in the decay region)
    - Hydrogen-filled CEDAR in the beam line to separate K from  $\pi$
    - Neon-filled RICH after the spectrometer to separate  $\pi$  from  $\mu$  and to give a fast trigger signal
- For all these detectors, extensive R/D and prototype tests to validate the choices

# CEDAR

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- Standard CERN CEDAR W-type filled with  $N_2$  tested at CERN in November 2006, using a 100 GeV hadron beam with  $10^5 - 10^7$  ppp, mainly to study time capability
- Test of fast photomultipliers using Cherenkov light
- It needs an improved readout to cope with the Ghz rate
- Mandatory replacement of old PMs with faster ones or with SiPM
- It needs modifications to be operated with hydrogen





# Gigatracker Station

800 MHz beam

300 x 300 mm Si pixel

2x5 chips → 1800 pixels/chip

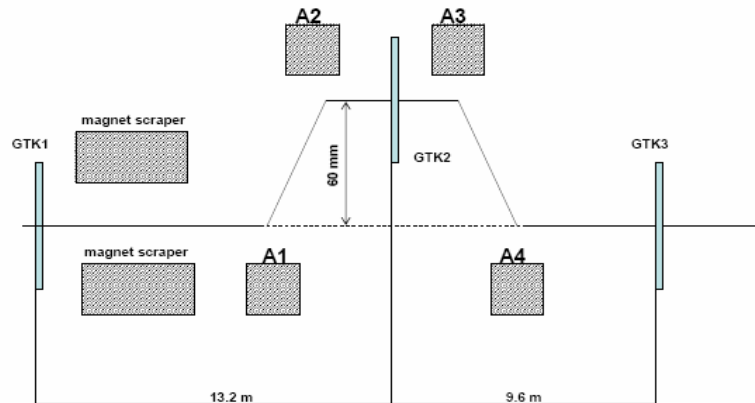
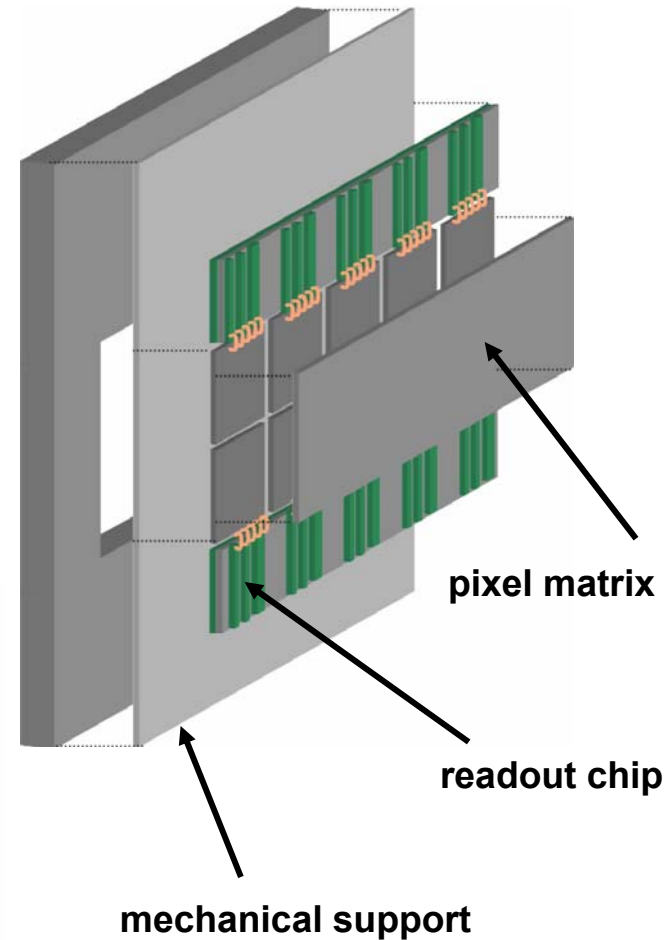
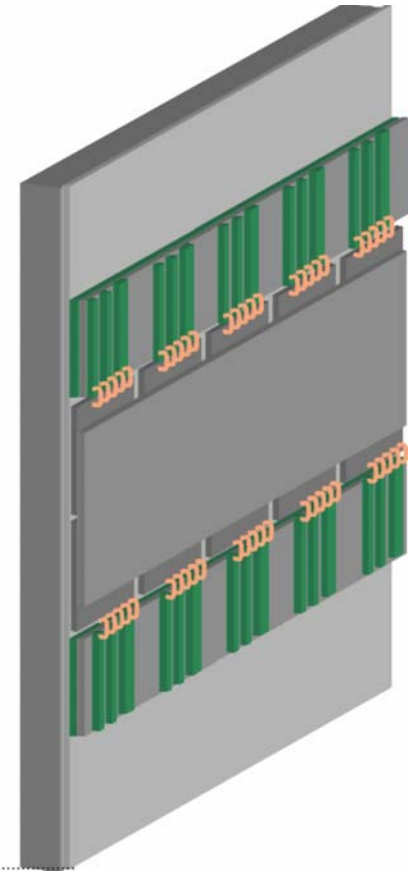
Station total thickness:  $0.5\% X_0$

200 ps time resolution/station

Power budget:  $2 \text{ W/cm}^2 \rightarrow 2 \text{ mW/pixel}$

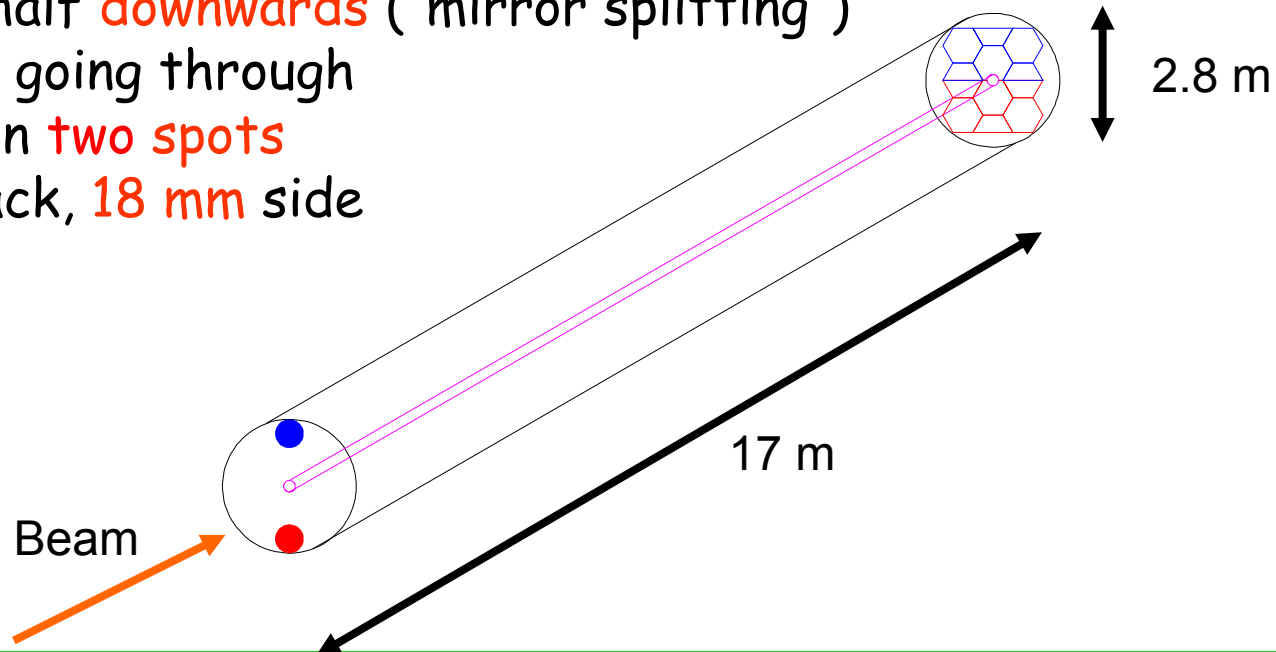
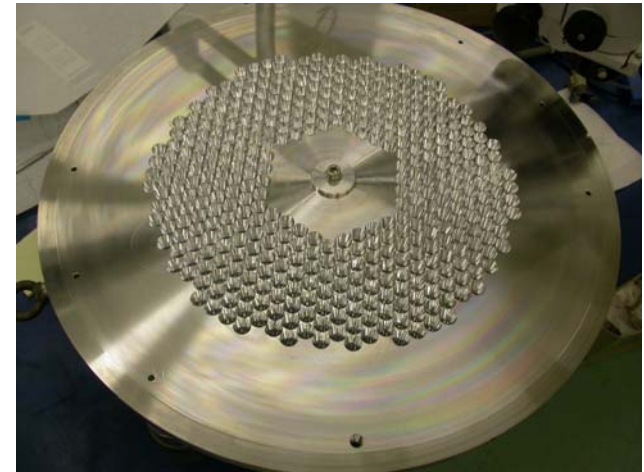
Input dynamic range:  $5000 \div 60000 e$

Average data rate:  $50 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$



# The RICH detector

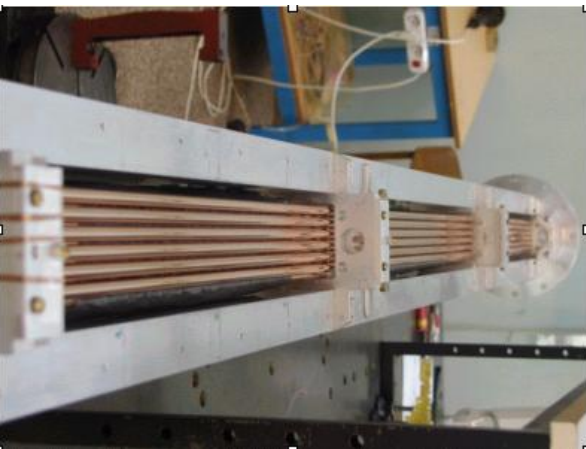
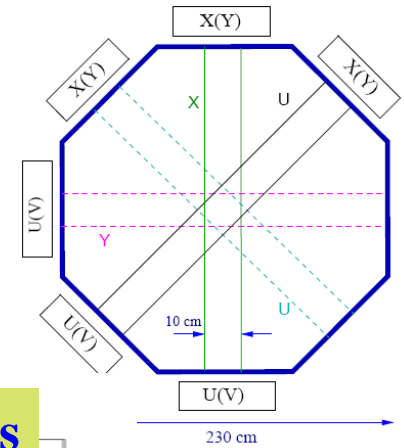
- Reject  $\mu$  in  $\pi$  at  $5 \times 10^{-3}$  ( $15 < p < 35 \text{ GeV}/c$ )
- Measure the track time at  $100 \text{ ps}$  level
- Main Charged **trigger**
- Neon gas as radiator (atm. pressure)
- Mirrors mosaic ( $f=17 \text{ m}$ ): half pointing **upwards**, half **downwards** ("mirror splitting")
- **Beam pipe** going through
- 2000 PM in **two spots**
- PM hex pack, **18 mm** side



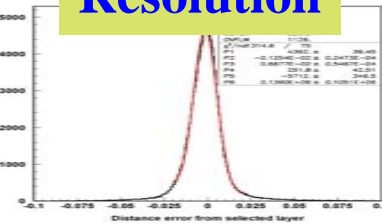
# Straw tracker

**Straw Trackers operated in vacuum wrt NA48 layout:**

- Remove the multiple scattering due to the Kevlar Window
- Remove the acceptance limitations due to the beam-pipe
- Remove the helium between the chambers

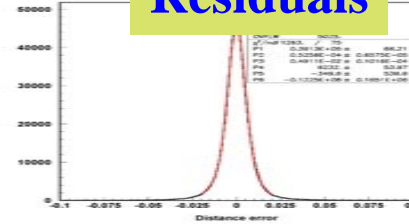


**Resolution**



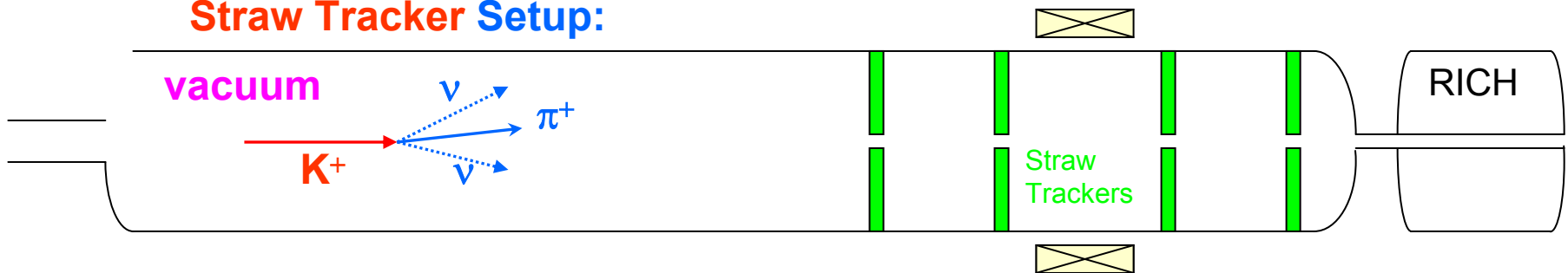
**R.M.S.=130  $\mu\text{m}$   
sigma=67  $\mu\text{m}$**

**Residuals**



**R.M.S.=113  $\mu\text{m}$   
sigma=49  $\mu\text{m}$**

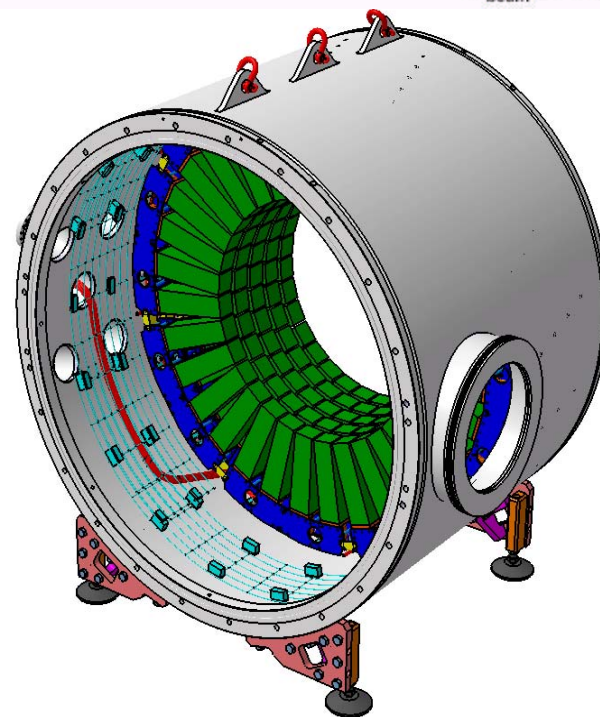
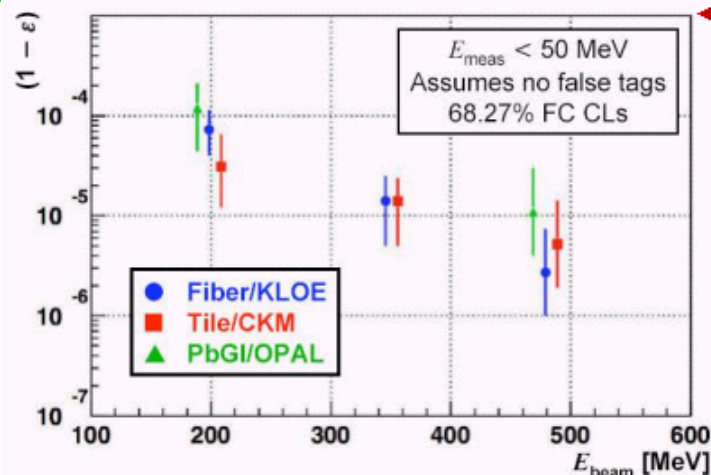
**Straw Tracker Setup:**



**•The Straw Tracker is essential to study ultra-rare-decays in flight**

# Photon Vetoes

- Needed to reject  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ 
  - Global inefficiency to  $\pi^0 \sim 10^{-8}$
  - Hermetic coverage up to 50 mrad
  - R/D to test three technologies for large angle vetoes
    - Lead/scintillating fibers, lead/scintillator with WLS fibers, OPAL lead glasses
    - All three fulfill requirements, OPAL lead glass chosen
  - Completed by the LKr calorimeter and small angle detectors
    - $P(K^+) = 75 \text{ GeV}/c$ , requiring  $P(\pi^+) < 35 \text{ GeV}/c \rightarrow P(\pi^0) > 40 \text{ GeV}/c$   
It can hardly be missed in the calorimeters



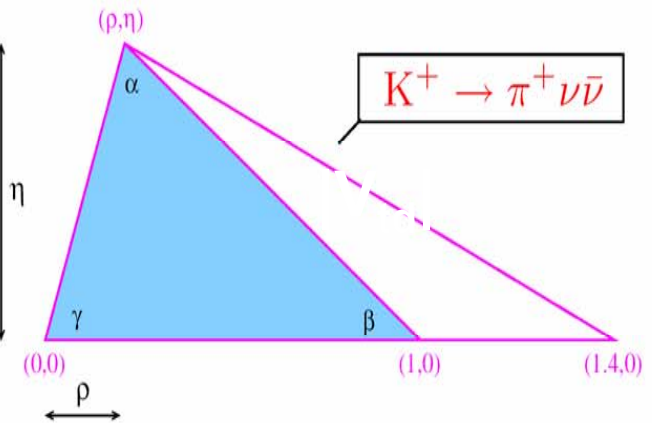
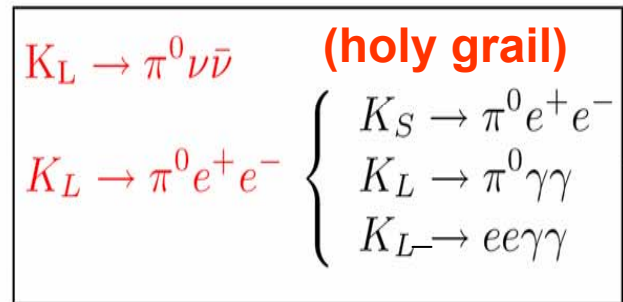
# Conclusions

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- The measurement of  $R_K = \Gamma_{K_{e2}}/\Gamma_{K_{\mu2}}$  is well-suited for a test of lepton universality and for search for new physics
- NA62 in 2007 has increased the world  $K_{e2}$  sample by an order of magnitude
  - $\sim 160K$   $K_{e2}$  candidates
  - Data taking optimized for  $K_{e2}$
- Analysis is in progress and additional specific data collected in 2008 will improve the systematic error
- With 40% of the data analyzed, the total error on  $R_K$  is 0.6%
- **An overall uncertainty of 0.4% is within reach with all the data**
  
- NA62 is now preparing a new detector for the measurement of  $BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu)$
- Aim to collect  $\sim 100$  events in 2 years (2011-2012) for a measurement of the branching ratio at 10% level

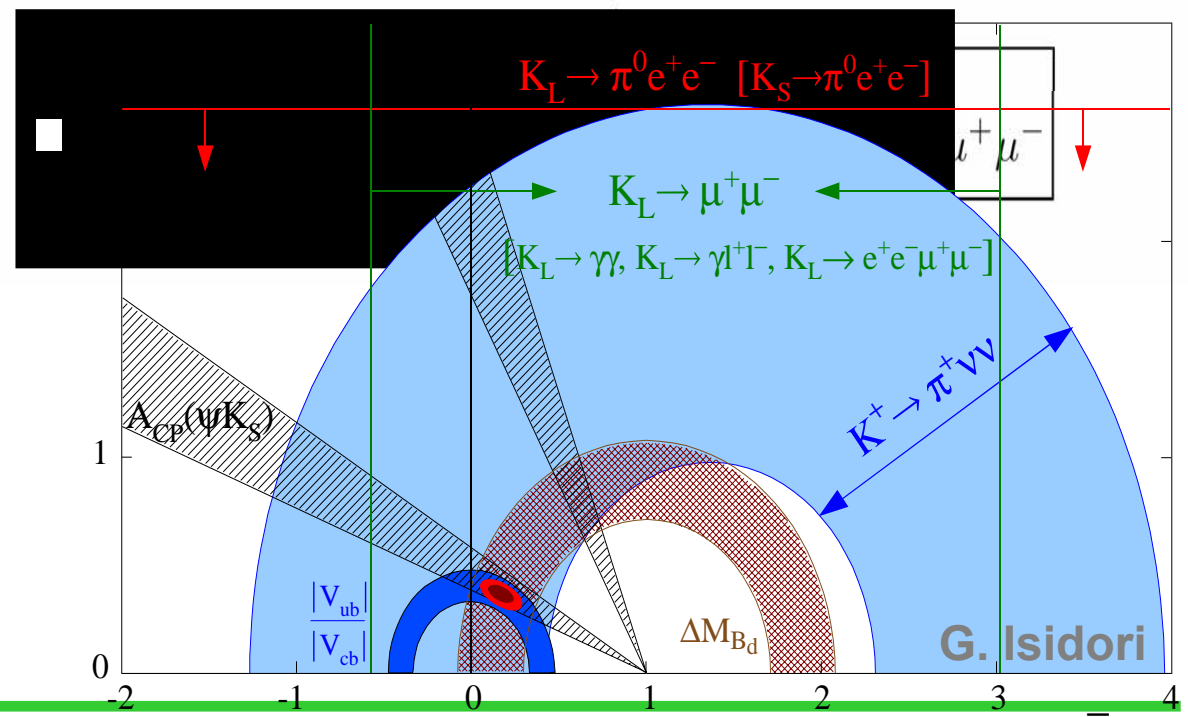
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# Kaon Rare Decays and the SM



Kaons provide quantitative tests of SM independent from B mesons...  
 ...and a large window of opportunity exists!

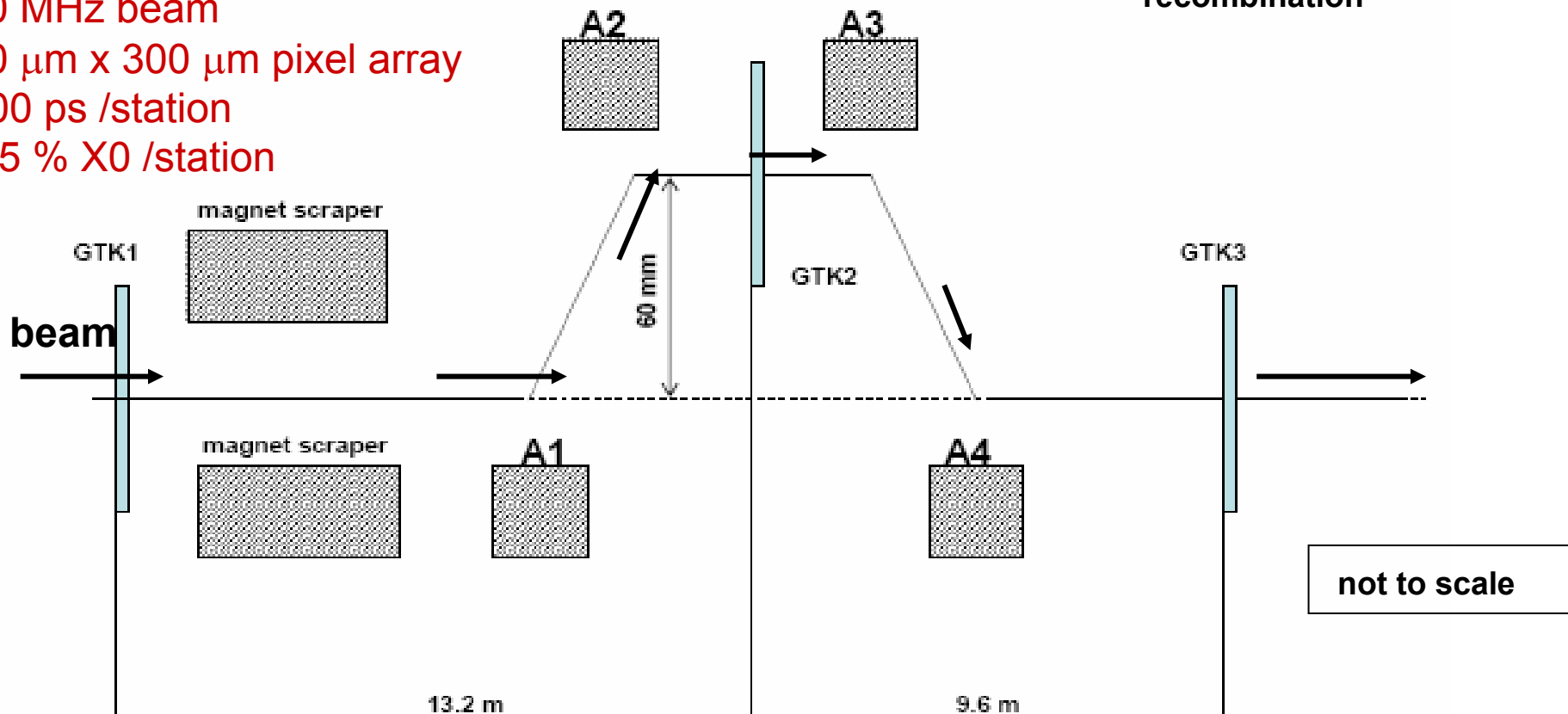
$Im \lambda_t = A^2 \lambda^5 \eta$   
 $Re \lambda_t = A^2 \lambda^5 \rho$



# Gigatracker

A1÷A4: achromat dipole magnets to provide the momentum selection and recombination

- 800 MHz beam
- 300  $\mu\text{m}$  x 300  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel array
- ~200 ps /station
- <0.5 % X0 /station

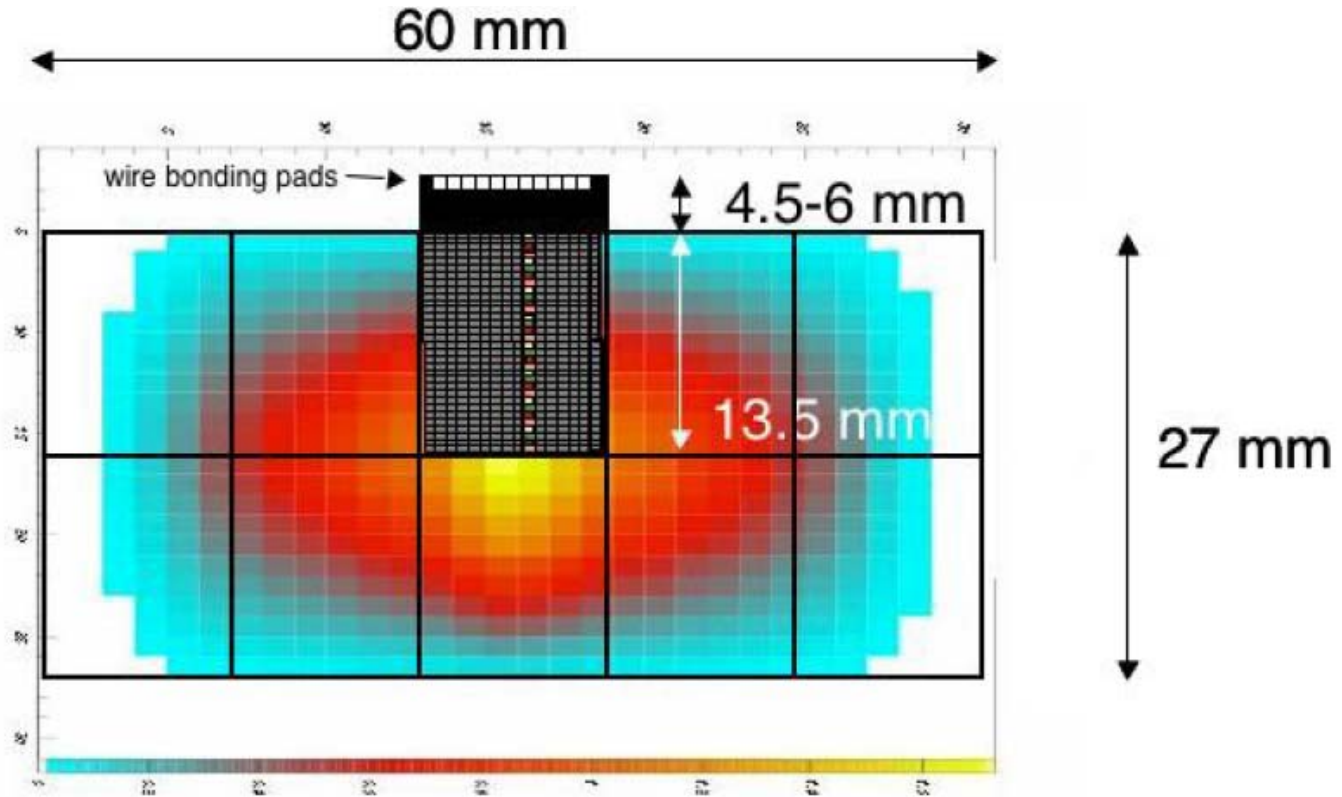


Layout of the beam on the horizontal plane

Beam momentum is derived from the hit coordinate in GTK2 with respect to GTK1 and GTK3 coordinates: **75 GeV/c  $\rightarrow$  60 mm**



# Detector layout & beam profile



Dose/year  $\sim 10^5$  Gy

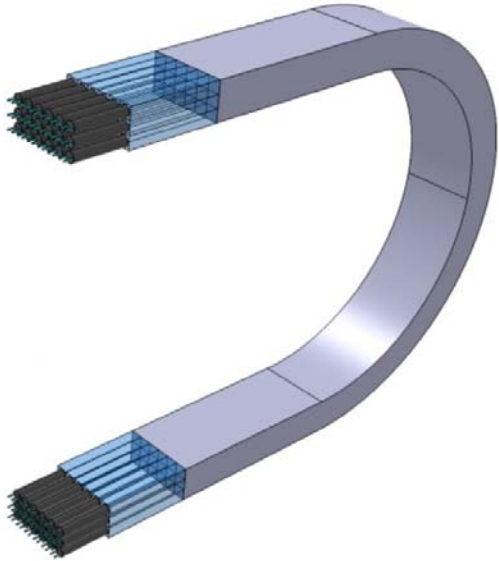
$10^{14}$  1 MeV  $n_{eq}$  /cm<sup>2</sup> per year



Change the detector every  $\sim 60$  days

# The fiber prototype

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## **KLOE-type lead/scintillating fiber calorimeter**

1-mm diameter scintillating fibers

0.5-mm thick lead foils, grooved to house fibers

## **Full-scale prototype of smallest rings**

**1/3 of final radial thickness**

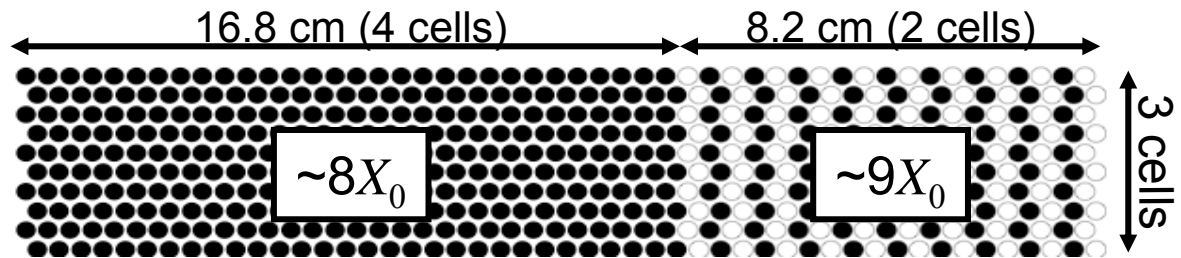
Inner/outer radius: 60 cm - 72.5 cm

Inner/outer length: 309.5 cm - 348.8 cm

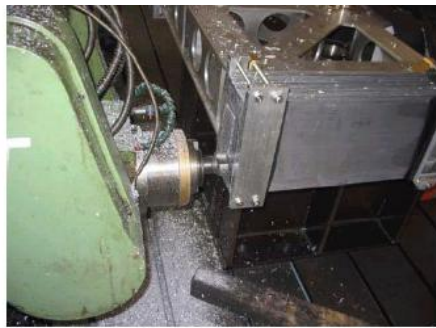
**Readout granularity: 18+18 cells, 4.2 x 4.2 cm<sup>2</sup>**

Readout from two sides  
to have  $\phi$  measurement

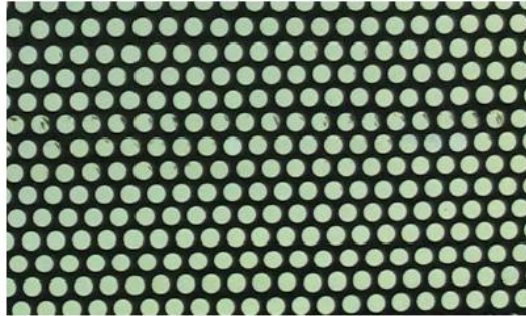
Hamamatsu R6427  
photomultipliers



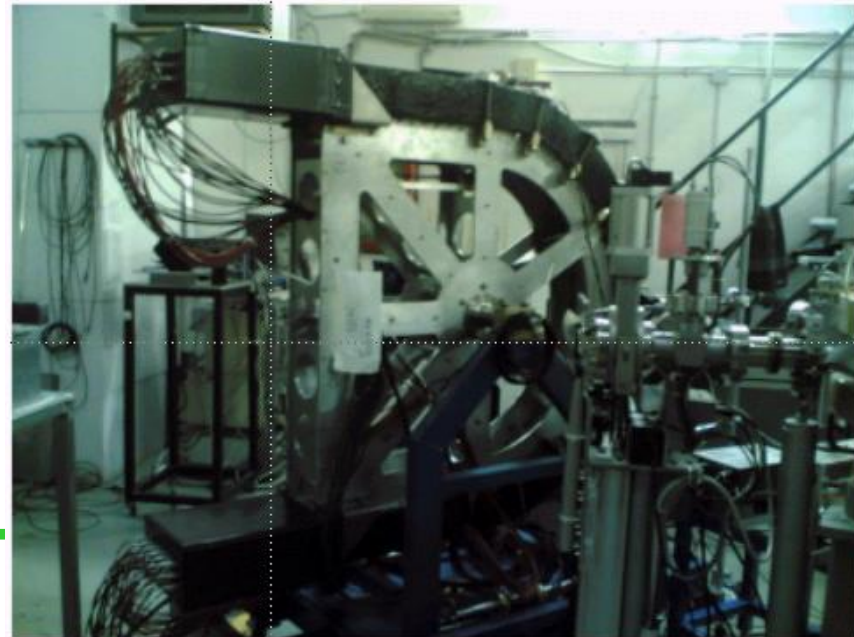
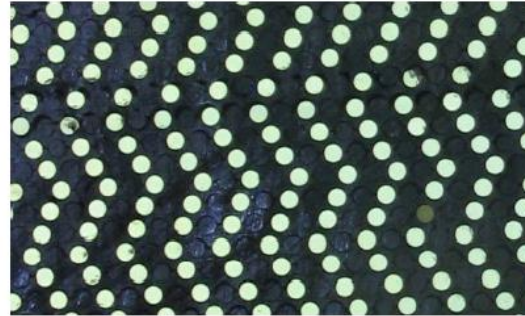
All fibers (same as KLOE) Fibers + 1-mm Pb wires



All-fiber region

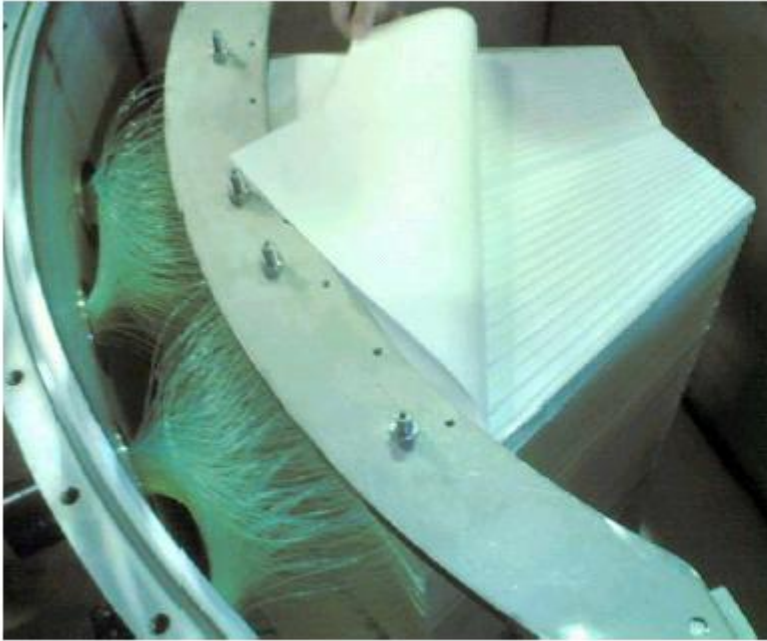


Fibers + lead wires



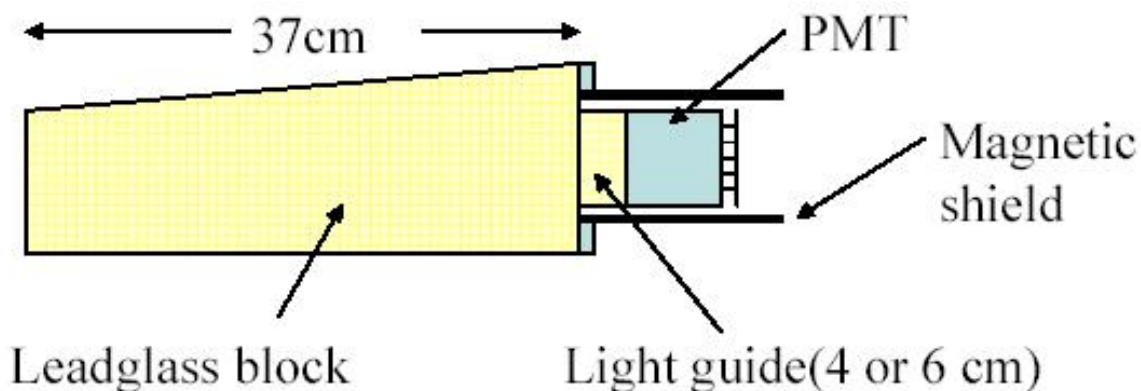
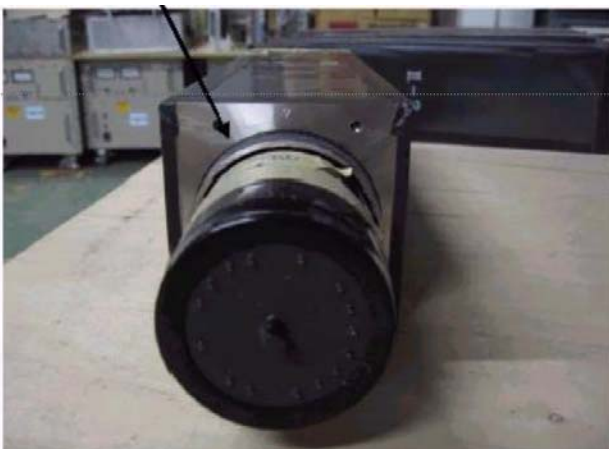
# The CKM prototype

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- Two  $22.5^\circ$  sectors, 80 layers, 1 mm lead/5 mm scintillator
- WLS readout, EMI 9954B photomultipliers
- On loan from Fermilab
- Tested by the CKM Collaboration at the Jefferson Lab
  - Measured inefficiency for electrons:  $3 \cdot 10^{-6}$  at 1 GeV

# The OPAL lead glasses



Leadglass + light guide : Schott SF57

Density : 5.6 gr/cm<sup>3</sup>

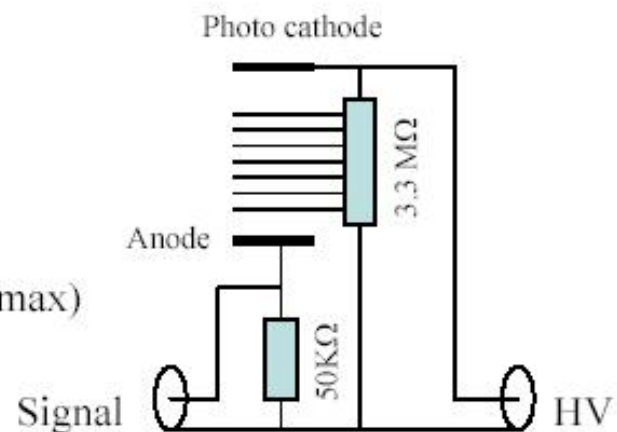
Refractive index : 1.85

Radiation length : 1.5 cm

Moliere radius : 2.6 cm

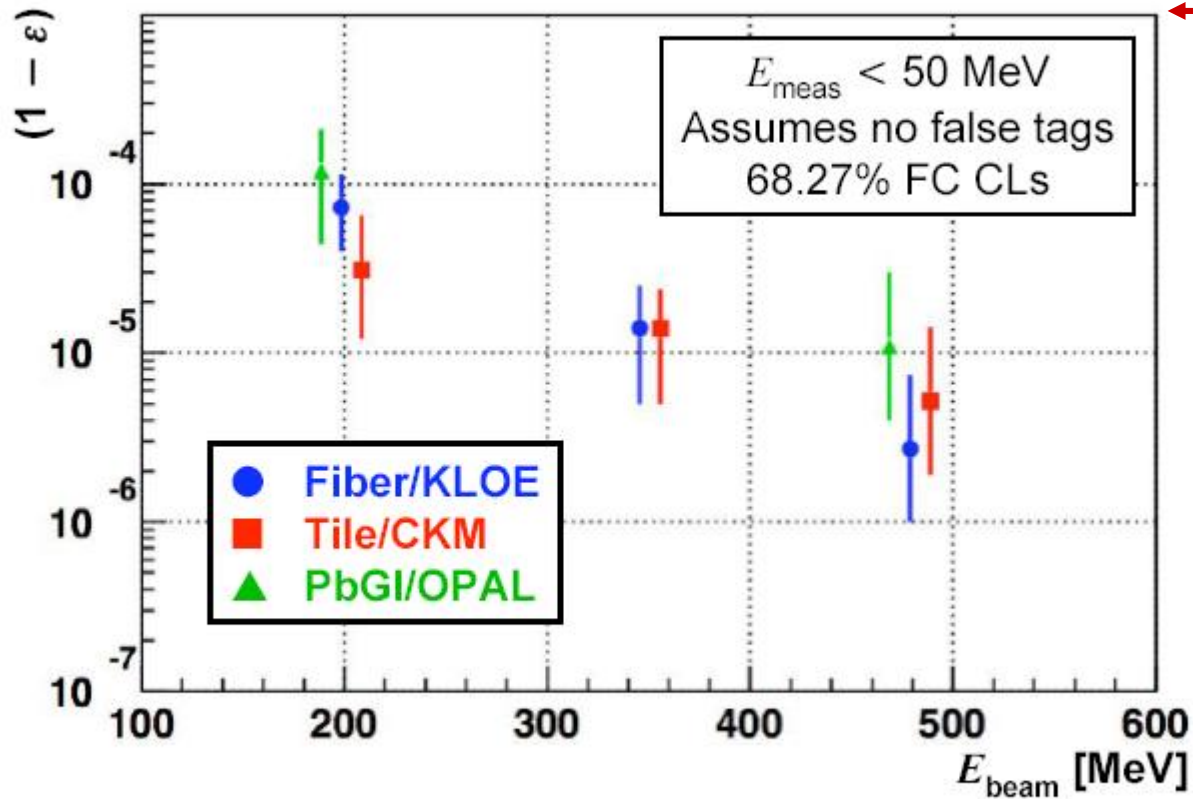
PMT : Hamamatsu R2238  
12 stage mesh dynode  
Gain 10<sup>5</sup> at typical HV=950V (1.5kV max)  
 $G \sim V^n$ ,  $n \sim 7.5$

Sensitivity :  $\sim 10$  pC/GeV for e/ $\gamma$  at  $G=10^5$



# Inefficiency results - Summary

Efficiencies for electron detection similar for all 3 technologies

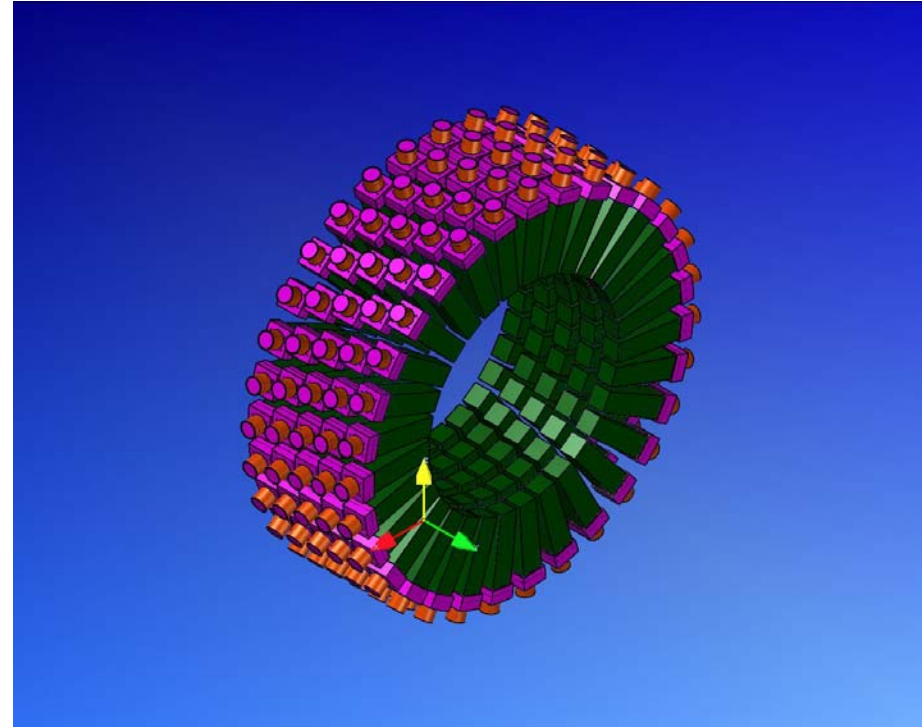


Tile (CKM) and lead glass (OPAL) results are preliminary

# Baseline design

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- Radially mounted blocks
- 5 layers, each layer shifted by an angle to avoid cracks
- For any impact position, at least 3 blocks hit
- Mounted on a section of the decay tube
  - One hole for each PM
  - Additional mechanical piece connected to the steel flange of the block to reinforce it and to house the vacuum seal
  - Cabling outside vacuum



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# LKr inefficiency - a crucial issue

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- Final results from 2004 run
  - Analysis of  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0$
  - The LKr inefficiency is less than  $0.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$  (90% CL,  $E_\gamma > 10$  GeV)
- Preliminary results from 2006 run
  - Bremsstrahlung photons from an electron beam
  - The analysis is not straightforward
    - Below 4 GeV the background from bremsstrahlung in the air after the momentum selection is too high
    - Needs accurate simulation of the beam line, of radiation effects in the decay volume and of the cluster merging effects

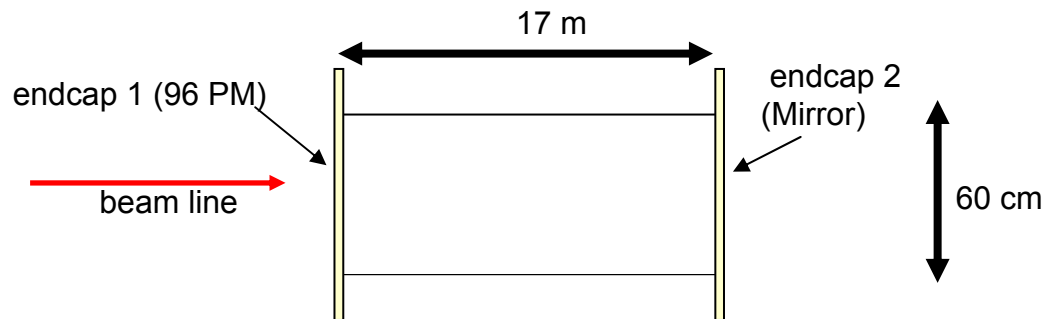
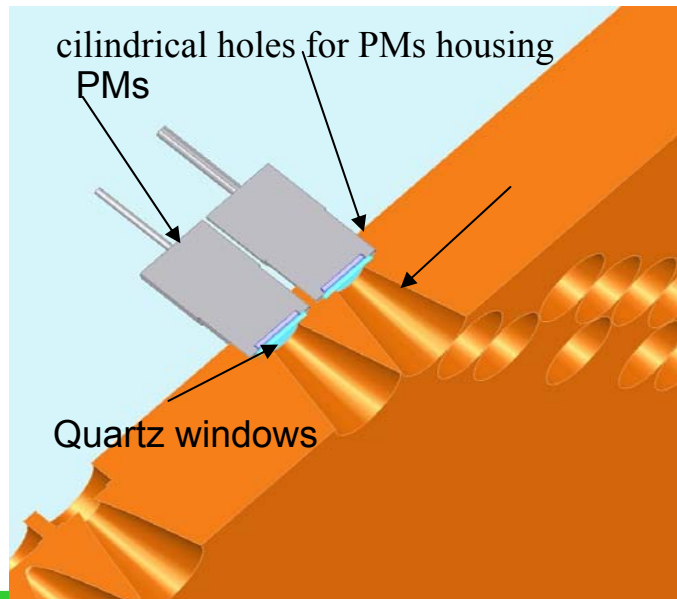
- Preliminary results

$E_\gamma$ (GeV)	Inefficiency
2.5 - 5.5	$< 10^{-3}$
5.5 - 7.5	$< 10^{-4}$
7.5 - 10	$< 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
$> 10$	$< 8 \cdot 10^{-6}$



# Full length RICH prototype built and tested in 2007

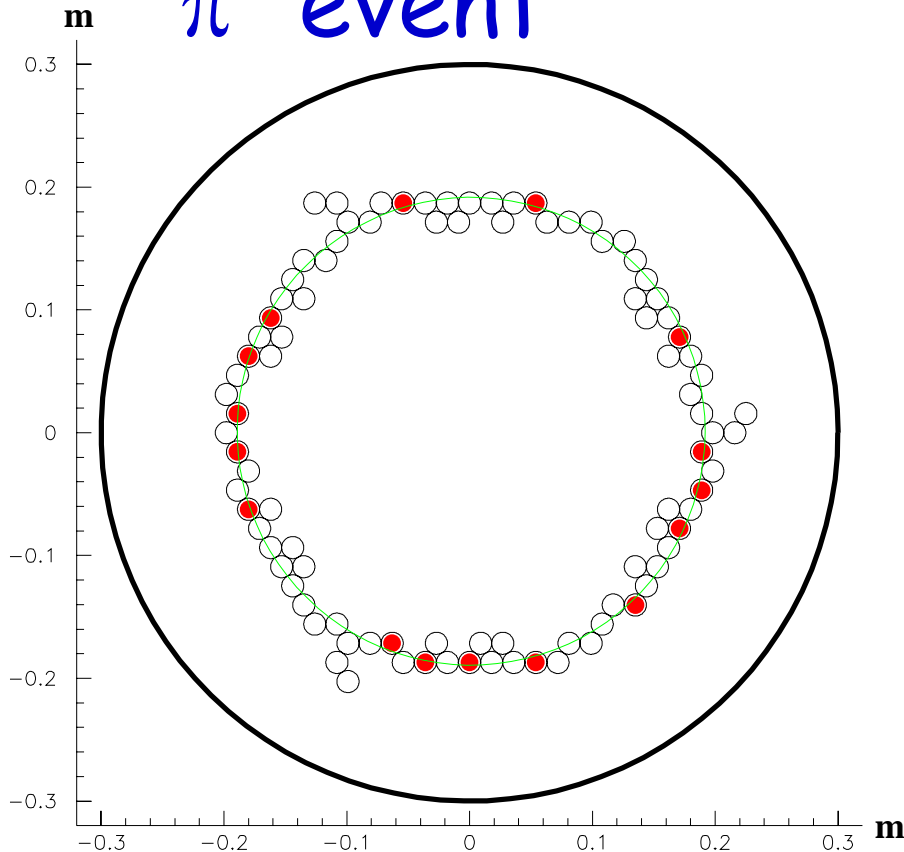
- Vessel: recovered from the nearby beamline in ECN3 and adapted (three new sections built)
- Mirror: 50 cm large,  $f = 17$  m mirror (by MARCON)
- Vessel cleaning: vacuum,  $N_2$ , vacuum
- Radiator: Neon at 980 mbar,  $24^\circ C$
- Test: Oct 29 - Nov 10, 2007 in the NA62 beam line



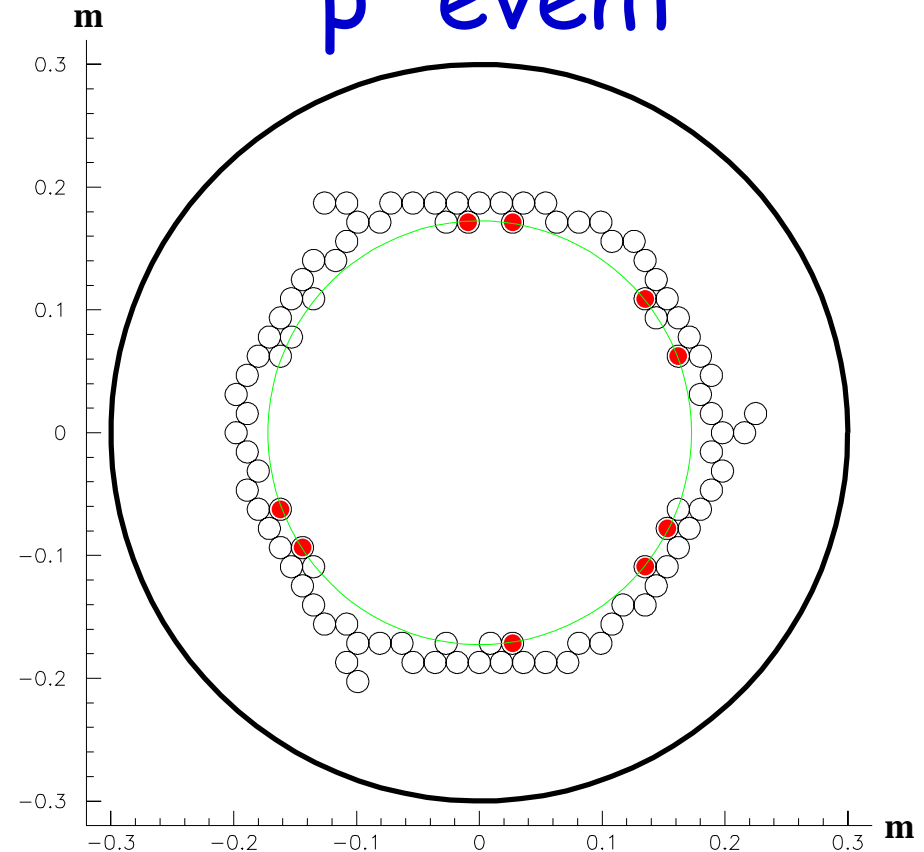
# Particle identification

- 400 GeV/c p on T4 → 200 GeV/c negative beam ( $\Delta p/p \approx 1.8\%$ , 30  $\mu\text{rad}$ )
- At production: 94.3%  $\pi$ , 4.9% K, 0.7% p
- After 910 m: 96.2%  $\pi$ , 3.0% K, 0.8% p

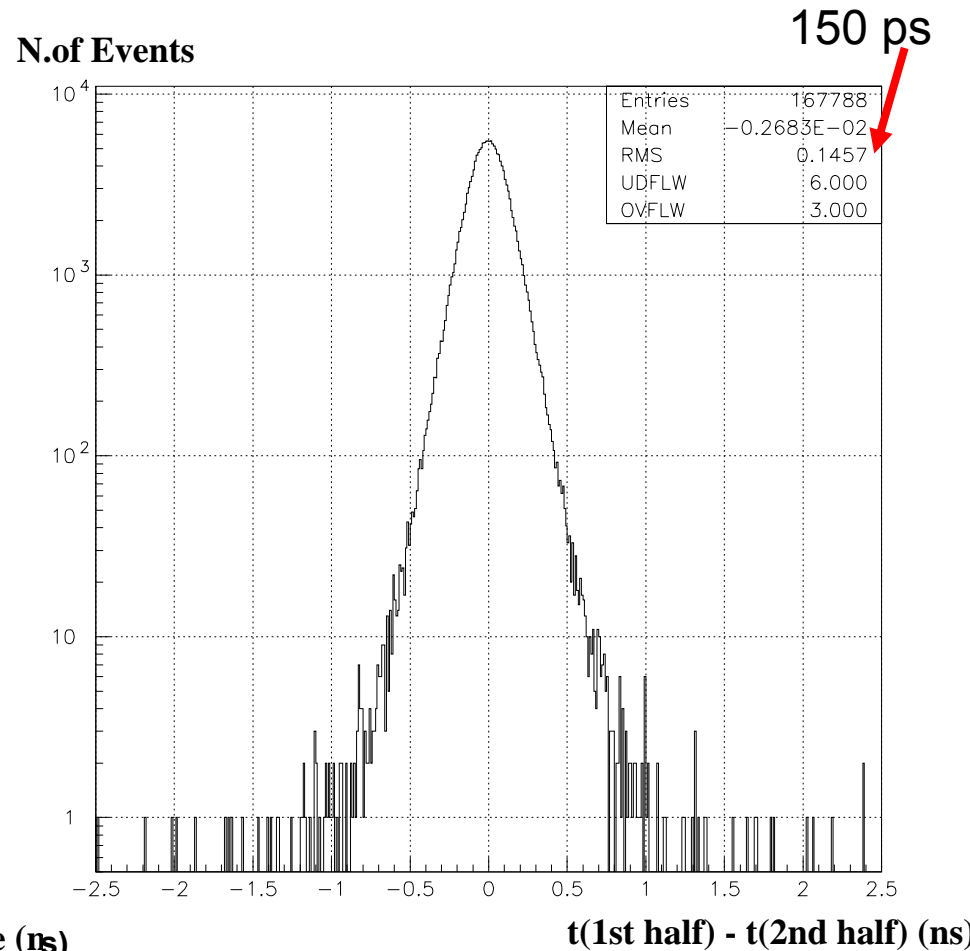
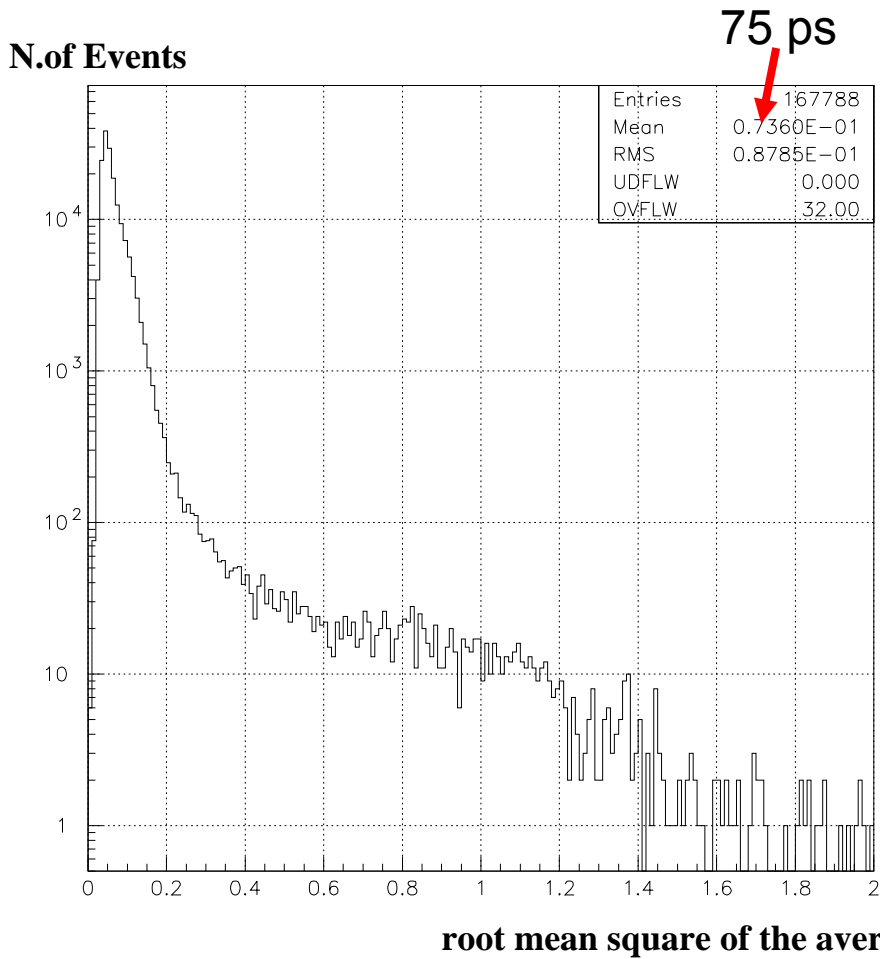
" $\pi$ " event



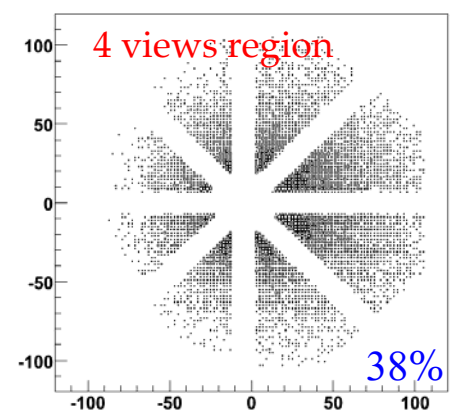
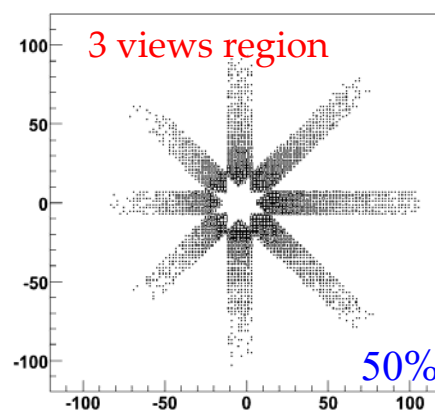
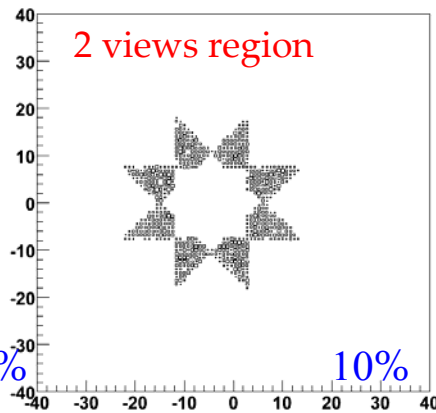
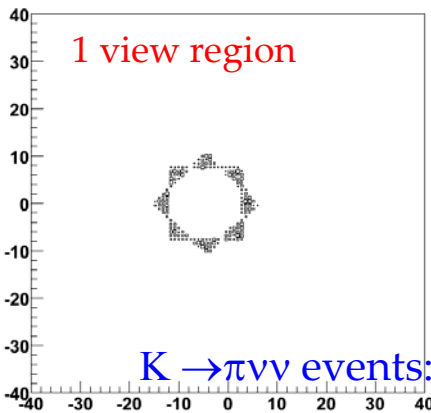
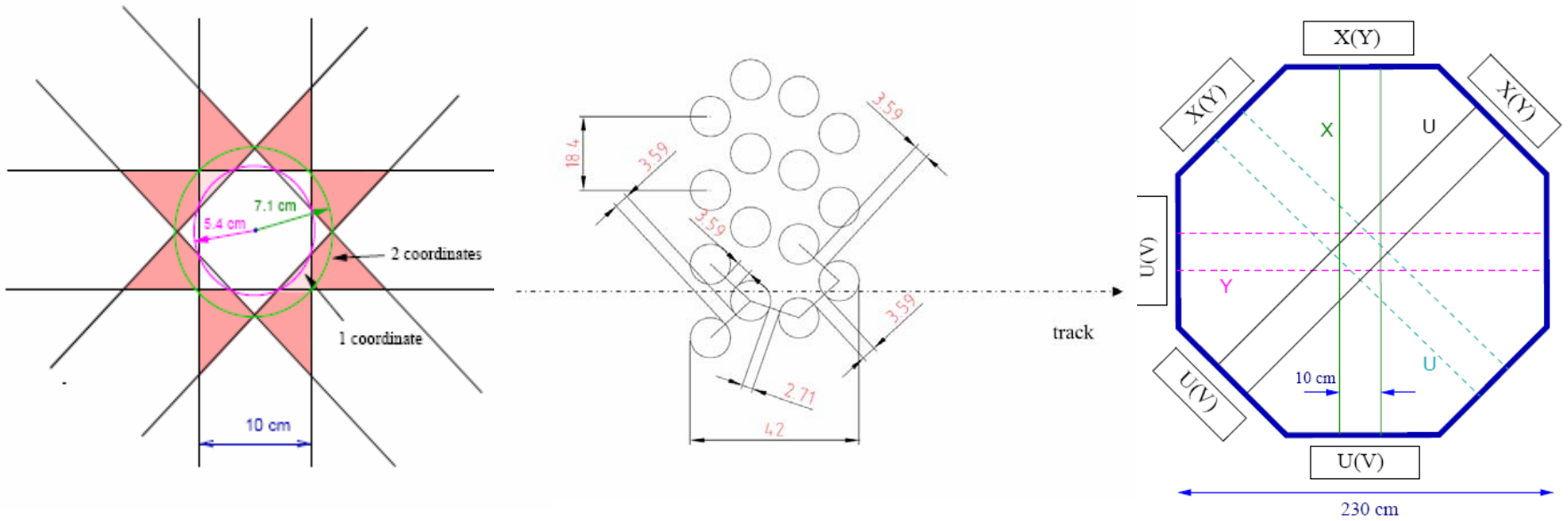
" $\bar{p}$ " event



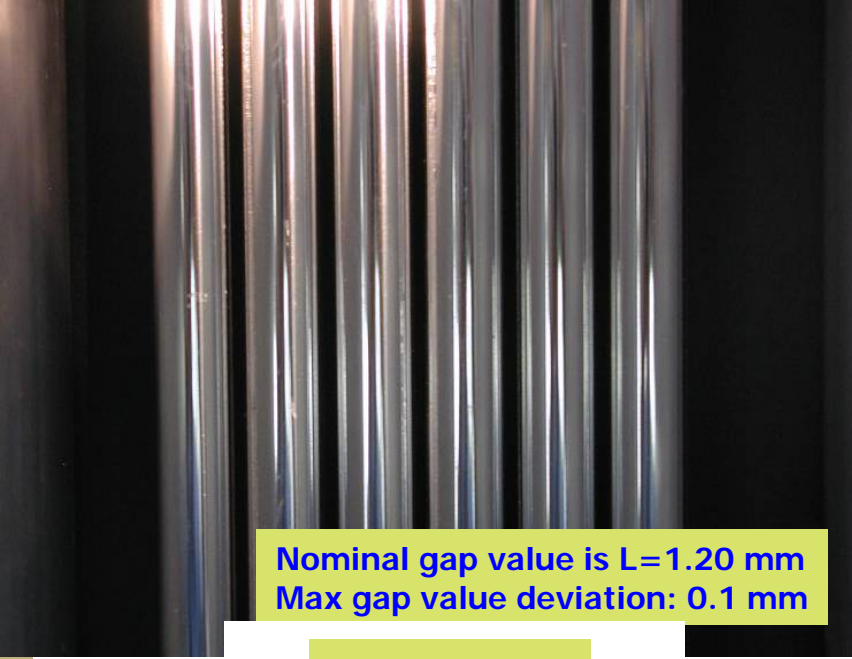
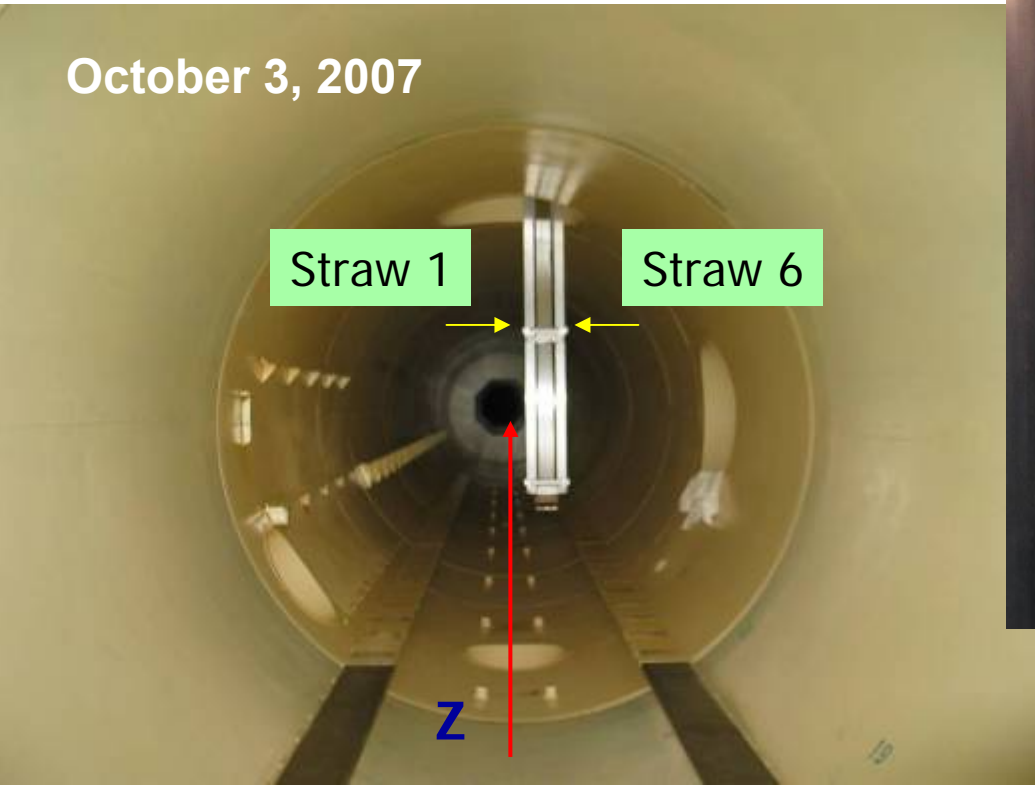
# Time resolution per event: 75 ps



# Straw Chamber layout

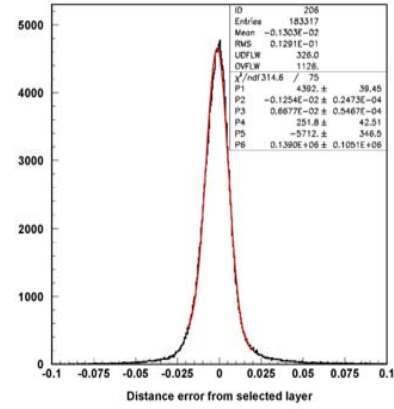


# Straw Prototype inside the Vacuum Tube



Nominal gap value is  $L=1.20$  mm  
 Max gap value deviation: 0.1 mm

## Resolution



- Data were collected with hadron, muon and kaon decays
- The test in the actual vacuum tank enables one to address realistic issues

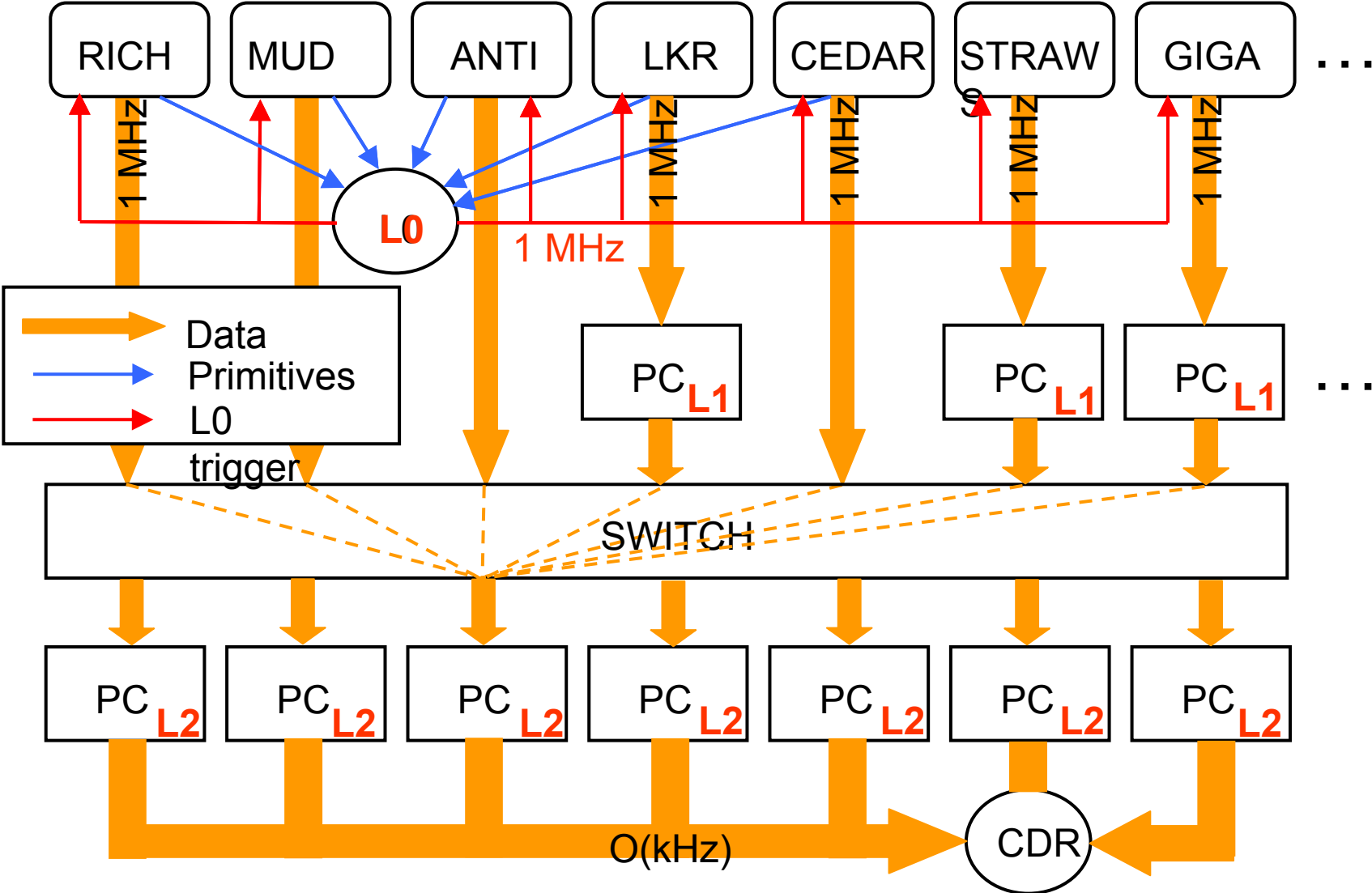
**R.M.S.=130  $\mu$ m**  
**sigma=67  $\mu$ m**

# Trigger/readout driving ideas

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1. Integrated trigger/DAQ system (cost, reproducibility, control, flexibility)
2. Completely digital trigger (trigger data recorded into data stream)
3. As much software as possible
4. Commercial solutions (=PCs) as much as possible (cost, scalability, upgradability)
5. Simplicity
6. Use of existing solutions where available

# Level 0 implementation



# L0 (hardware) trigger

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- Fast MC simulation: positive **RICH** + high-resolution online **MU** vetoing + high-resolution online "quadrant" **LKr** vetoing (+ **ANTIs**) can limit rate below 1 MHz. CEDAR as an option in L0.
- Each sub-detector involved in L0 produces **digital high time resolution primitives** (e.g. LKr quadrant energies...), calibrated and corrected, from the same FADC/TDC of main data, using FPGAs
- L0 time-stamped primitives are **asynchronously** collected and sent to a central L0 processor (hw or possibly PC), with fixed maximum latency
- The L0 central processor re-orders and performs digital time-coincidences producing the L0 trigger (**1 MHz**) with maximum latency **1 ms** (to start read-out into PCs)