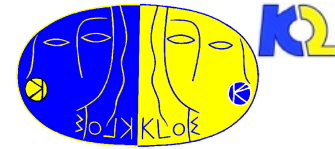


CPT tests with neutral kaons



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neutral kaons vs other oscillating meson systems



	$\langle m \rangle$ (GeV)	Δm (GeV)	$\langle \Gamma \rangle$ (GeV)	$\Delta \Gamma / 2$ (GeV)
K^0	0.5	3×10^{-15}	3×10^{-15}	3×10^{-15}
D^0	1.9	6×10^{-15}	2×10^{-12}	1×10^{-14}
B^0_d	5.3	3×10^{-13}	4×10^{-13}	$O(10^{-15})$ (SM prediction)
B^0_s	5.4	1×10^{-11}	4×10^{-13}	3×10^{-14}

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$$\Delta A/4 = (A_S - A_L)/4 = \Re\delta + \Re x_- = (-1.8 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$A_S - A_L = 4(\Re\delta + \Re x_-)$$

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$$\Re x_- = (-2.0 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-3}$$

CPT & $\Delta S = \Delta Q$ viol.
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$$A_S + A_L = 4(\Re\epsilon - \Re y)$$

→

$$\Re y = (1.7 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-3}$$

CPT viol.

input from other experiments

K_S tagging at KLOE



Initial entangled state
from $\phi \rightarrow K^0 \bar{K}^0$ decay:

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

For times $t_1 \gg \tau_S$ (or $t_2 \gg \tau_S$):

$$I(f_1, t_1; f_2, t_2) = C_{12} \left\{ |\eta_1|^2 e^{-\Gamma_L t_1 - \Gamma_S t_2} + |\eta_2|^2 e^{-\Gamma_S t_1 - \Gamma_L t_2} \right. \\ \left. - 2|\eta_1||\eta_2| e^{-(\Gamma_S + \Gamma_L)(t_1 + t_2)/2} \cos[\Delta m(t_2 - t_1) + \phi_1 - \phi_2] \right\}$$

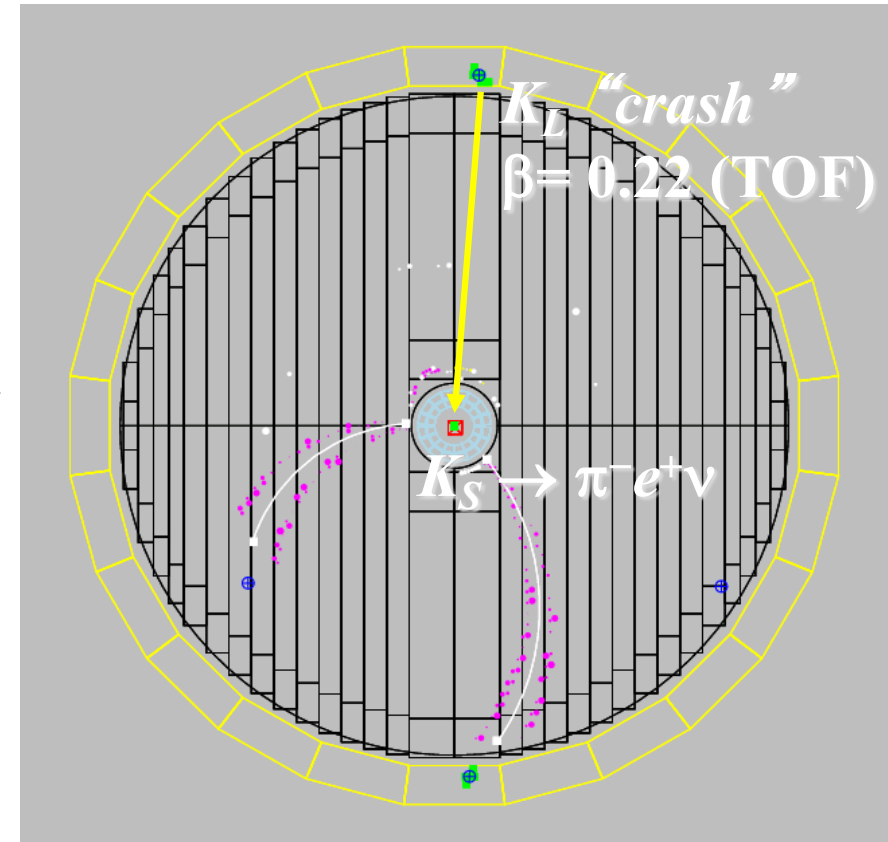
=> the state behaves like an incoherent
mixture of states:

$$|K_S(t_1)\rangle |K_L(t_2)\rangle \quad \text{or} \quad |K_L(t_1)\rangle |K_S(t_2)\rangle$$

the selection of a pure K_S beam is possible
exploiting entanglement
unique at a ϕ -factory, not possible at fixed
target experiments

A recent study on this quantum effect:

J. Bernabeu, A.D.D. "Can future observation of the living
partner post-tag the past decayed state in entangled neutral K mesons?"
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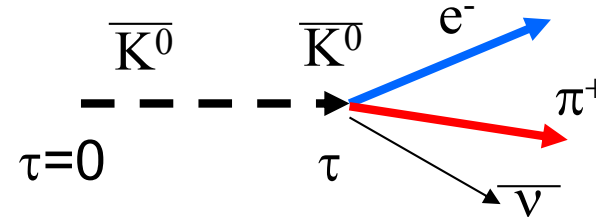
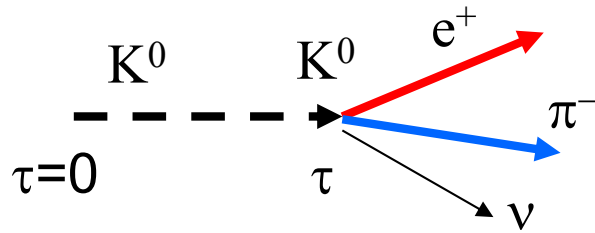


K_S tagged by K_L interaction in EmC
Efficiency $\sim 30\%$ (largely geometrical)
 K_S angular resolution: $\sim 1^\circ$ (0.3° in ϕ)
 K_S momentum resolution: ~ 2 MeV

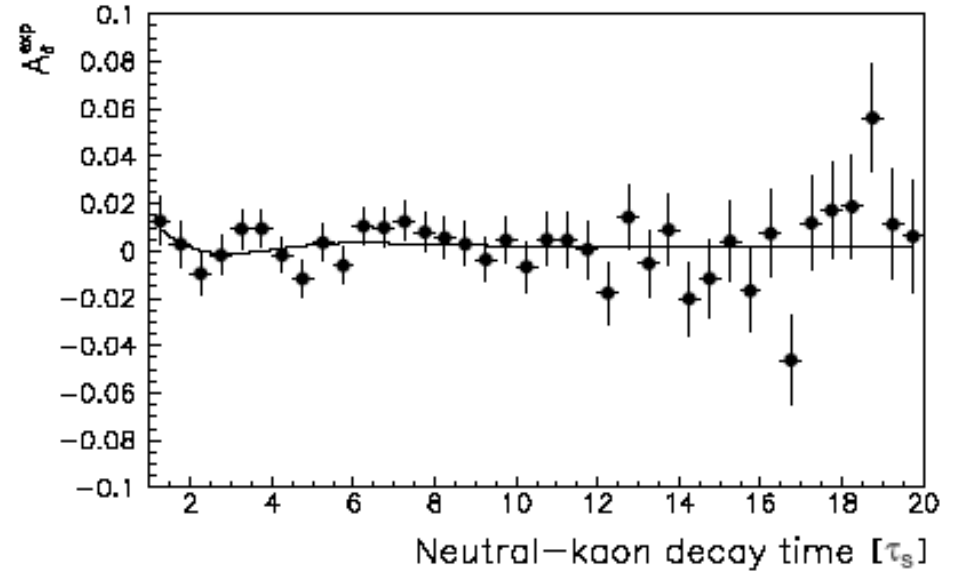
CPT test at CPLEAR



Test of **CPT** in the time evolution of neutral kaons using the semileptonic Asymmetry, i.e. comparing “**survival**” probabilities: $K^0 \rightarrow K^0$ vs $\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$



$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} A_\delta(\tau) &= \frac{\bar{R}_+(\tau) - \alpha R_-(\tau)}{R_+(\tau) + \alpha R_-(\tau)} + \frac{\bar{R}_-(\tau) - \alpha R_+(\tau)}{R_-(\tau) + \alpha R_+(\tau)} \\ R_{+(-)}(\tau) &= R(K^0_{t=0} \rightarrow (e^{+(-)} \pi^{-(+)} \nu)_{t=\tau}) \\ \bar{R}_{-(+)}(\tau) &= R(\bar{K}^0_{t=0} \rightarrow (e^{-(+)} \pi^{+(-)} \bar{\nu})_{t=\tau}) \\ \alpha &= 1 + 4\Re \varepsilon_L \end{aligned} \right.$$



$$A_\delta(\tau \gg \tau_S) = 8\Re \delta$$

$$\Re \delta = (0.30 \pm 0.33 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-3}$$

CPLEAR PLB444 (1998) 52

“Standard” CPT test



J. Bell J. Steinberger

using the unitarity constraint
(**Bell-Steinberger** relation)

$$\text{Im } \delta = (-0.3 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-5}$$

PDG fit (2023)

$$\delta = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(m_{\bar{K}^0} - m_{K^0}) - (i/2)(\Gamma_{\bar{K}^0} - \Gamma_{K^0})}{\Delta m + i\Delta\Gamma/2}$$

Combining $\text{Re}\delta$ and $\text{Im}\delta$ results

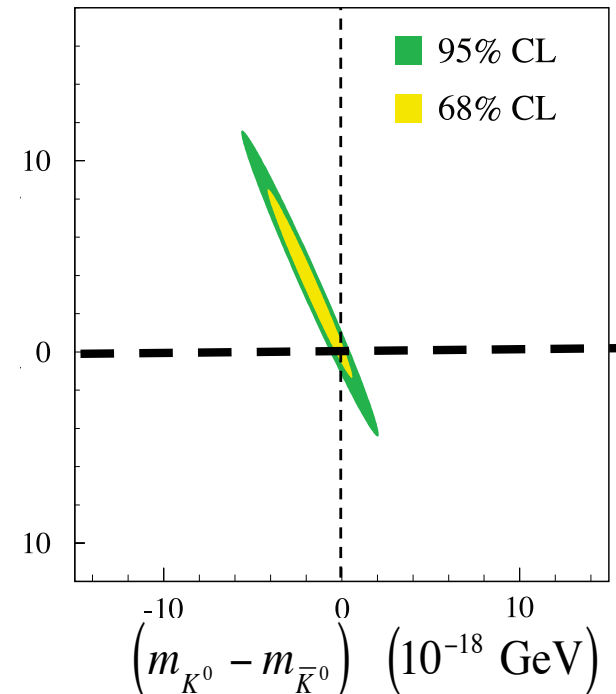
Assuming $(\Gamma_{\bar{K}^0} - \Gamma_{K^0}) = 0$, i.e. no CPT viol. in decay:

$$|m_{\bar{K}^0} - m_{K^0}| < 4.0 \times 10^{-19} \text{ GeV} \quad \text{at 95\% c.l.}$$

All observables quantities (BRs, lifetimes etc..) updated inputs from KLOE, NA48, KTEV, CPLEAR, etc.

$$2\Im\delta = \Im[\langle K_L | K_S \rangle] = \Im \left[\frac{\sum_f \langle f | T | K_S \rangle \langle f | T | K_L \rangle^*}{i(\lambda_S - \lambda_L^*)} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(\Gamma_{K^0} - \Gamma_{\bar{K}^0}) \\ & (10^{-18} \text{ GeV}) \end{aligned}$$





- Is it possible to test the CPT symmetry directly in transition processes between kaon states, rather than comparing masses, lifetimes, or other intrinsic properties of particle and anti-particle states?
- CPT violating effects may not appear at first order in diagonal mass terms (survival probabilities) while they can manifest at first order in transitions (non-diagonal terms).
- Clean formulation required. Possible spurious effects induced by CP violation in the decay and/or a violation of the $\Delta S = \Delta Q$ rule have to be well under control.
- In standard WWA the test is related to $\text{Re}\delta$, a genuine CPT violating effect independent of $\Delta\Gamma$, i.e. not requiring the decay as an essential ingredient.

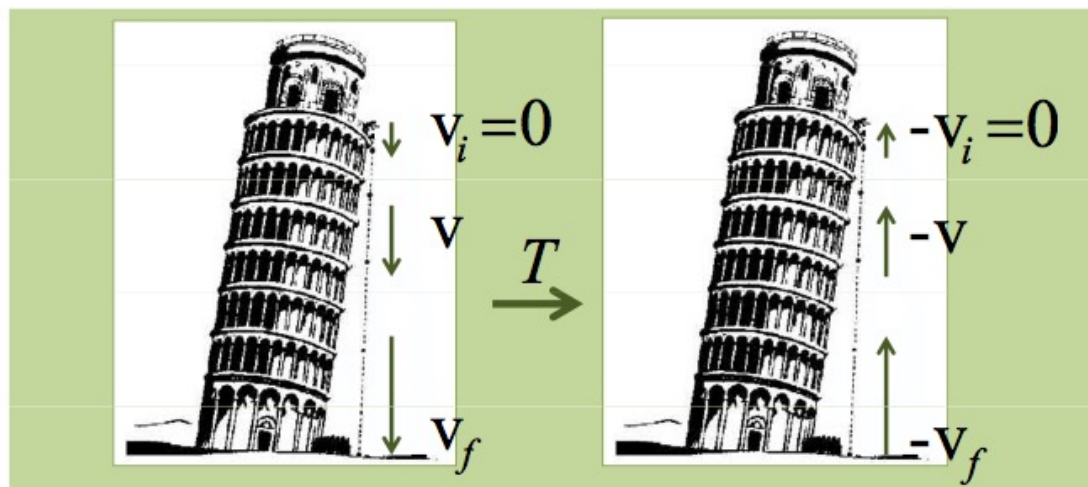
Probing CPT: J. Bernabeu, A.D.D., P. Villanueva, JHEP 10 (2015) 139

Time-reversal violation: J. Bernabeu, A.D.D., P. Villanueva, NPB 868 (2013) 102

Time Reversal



- The transformation of a system corresponding to the inversion of events in time, or reversed dynamics, with the formal substitution $\Delta t \rightarrow -\Delta t$, is usually called ‘**time reversal**’, but a more appropriate name would actually be **motion reversal**.



- Exchange of in \leftrightarrow out states and reversal of all momenta and spins tests time reversal, i.e. the symmetry of the responsible dynamics for the observed process under time reversal (transformation implemented in QM by an antiunitary operator)
- Similarly for CPT tests: the exchange of in \leftrightarrow out states etc.. is required.



CPT symmetry test

Reference		\mathcal{CPT} -conjugate	
Transition	Decay products	Transition	Decay products
$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$(\ell^-, \pi\pi)$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$(3\pi^0, \ell^-)$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$(\ell^-, 3\pi^0)$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$(\pi\pi, \ell^-)$
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One can define the following ratios of probabilities:

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$$R_{2,\mathcal{CPT}}(\Delta t) = P [K^0(0) \rightarrow K_-(\Delta t)] / P [K_-(0) \rightarrow \bar{K}^0(\Delta t)]$$

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T symmetry test

Reference		T -conjugate	
Transition	Final state	Transition	Final state
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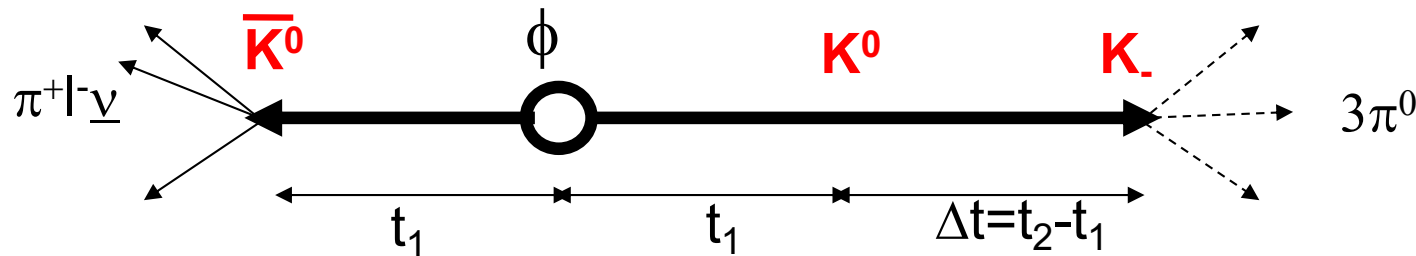
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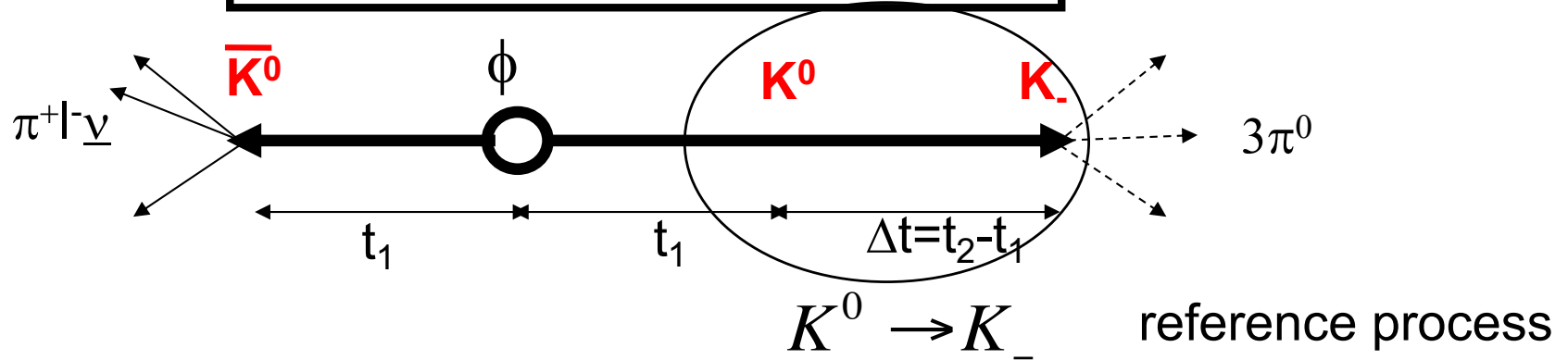
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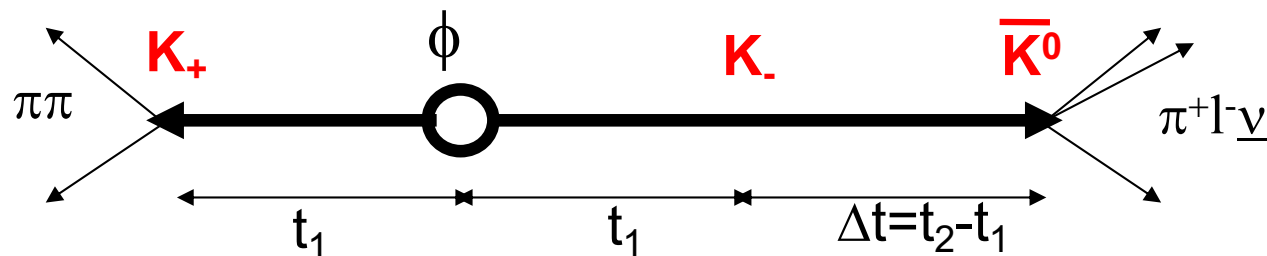
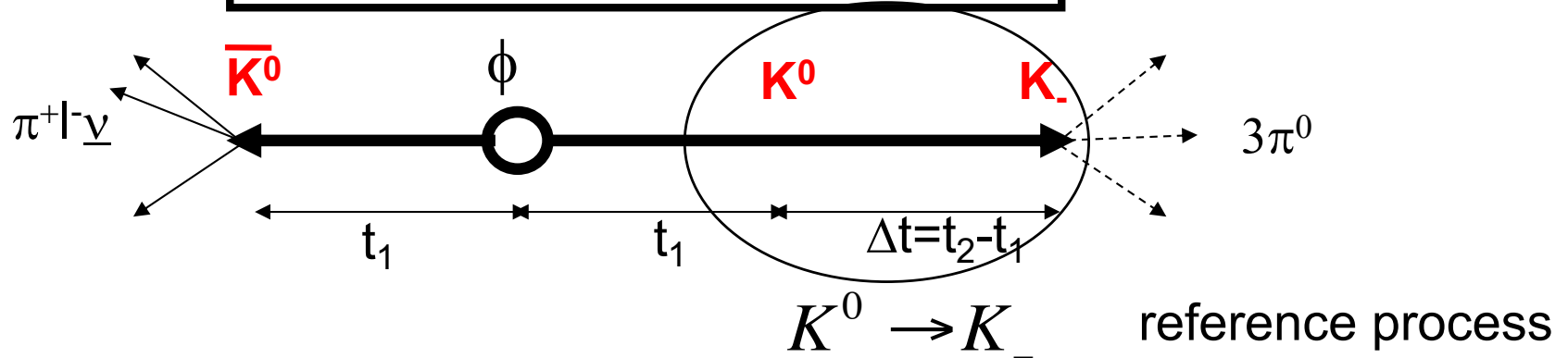
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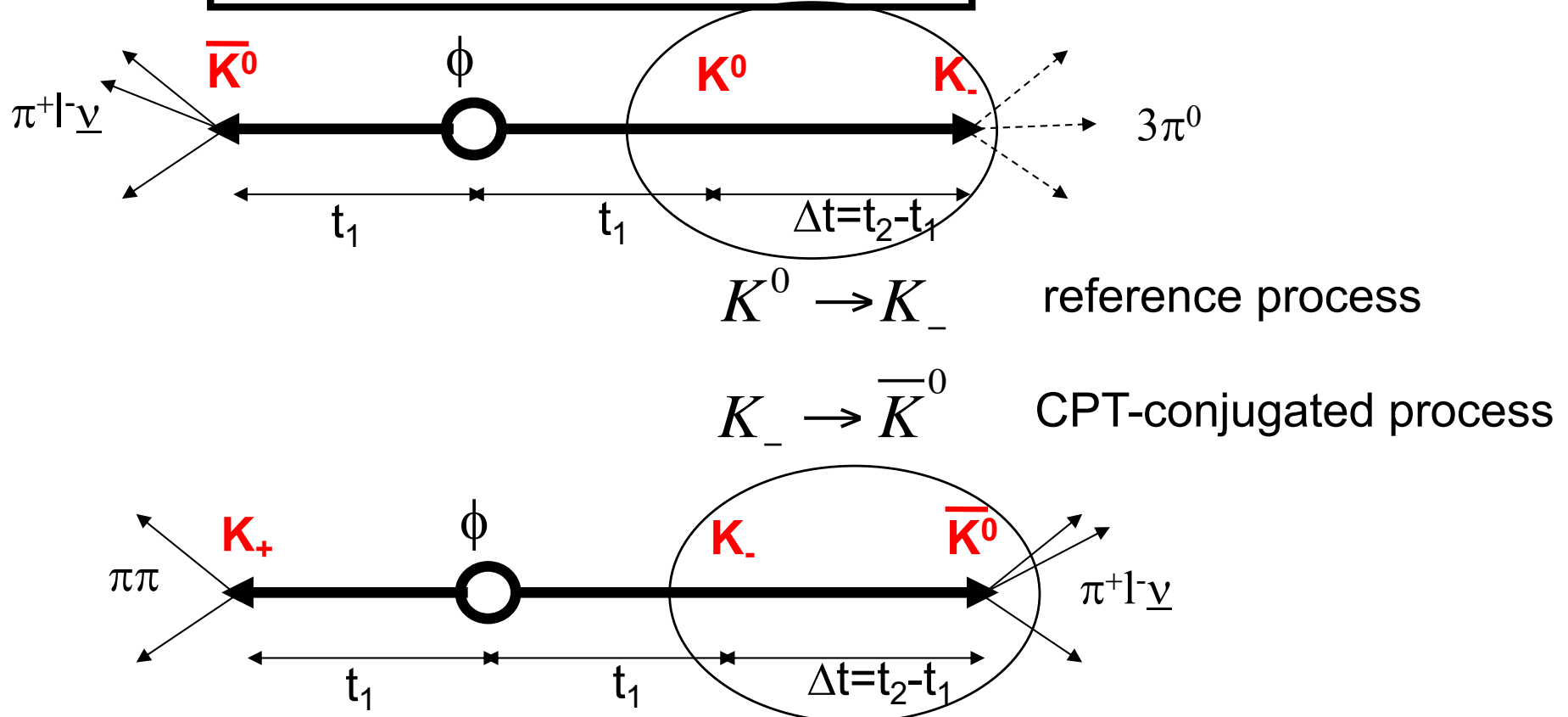
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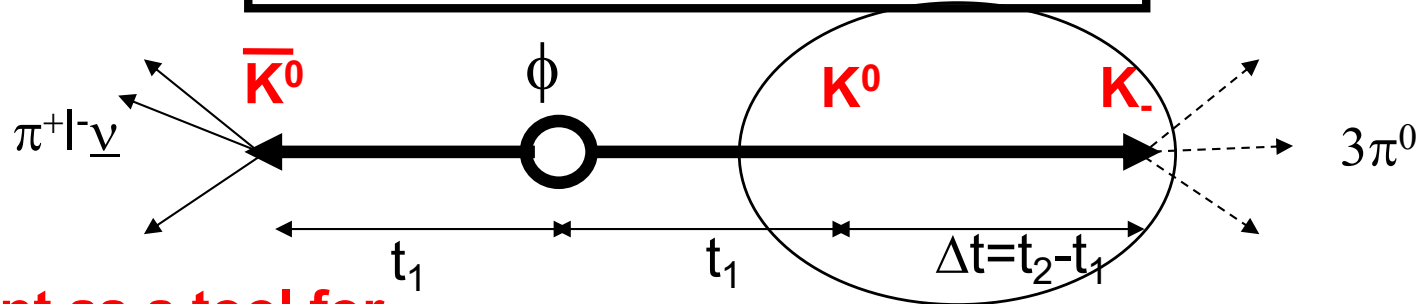
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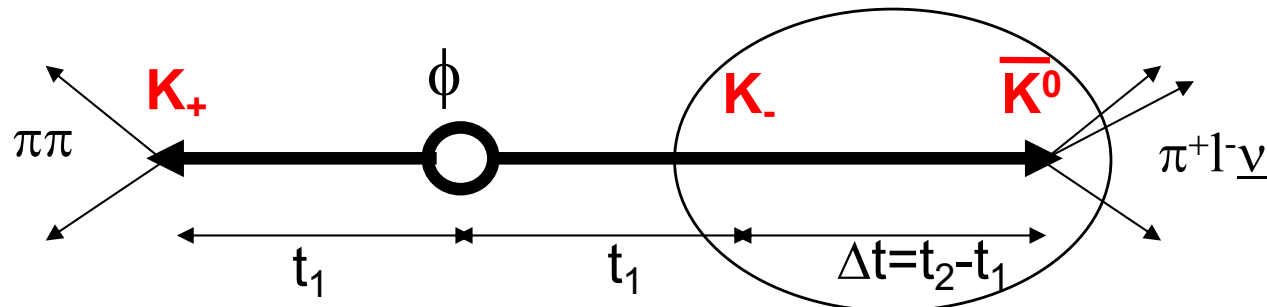
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reference process

$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$

CPT-conjugated process

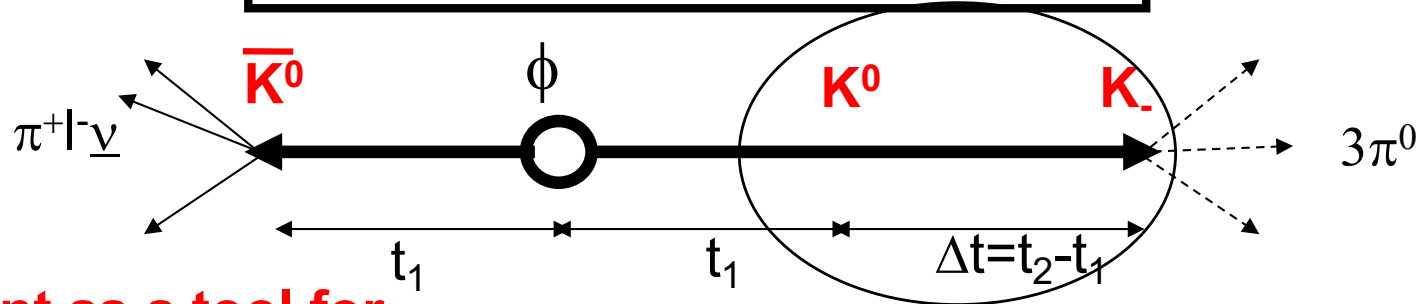


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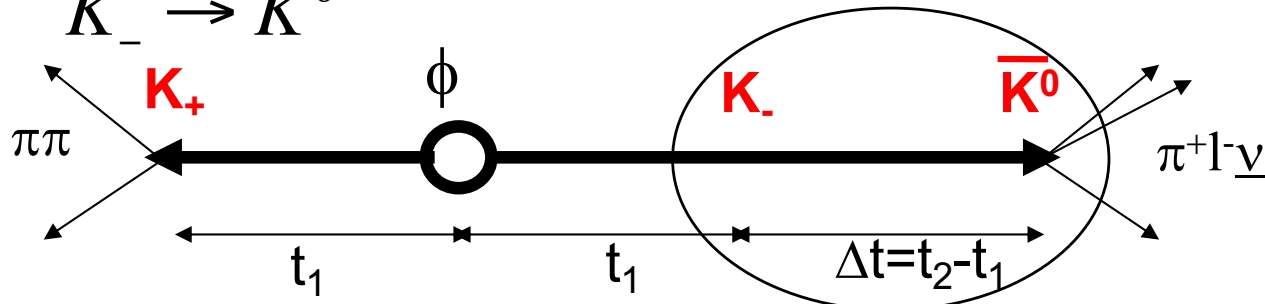
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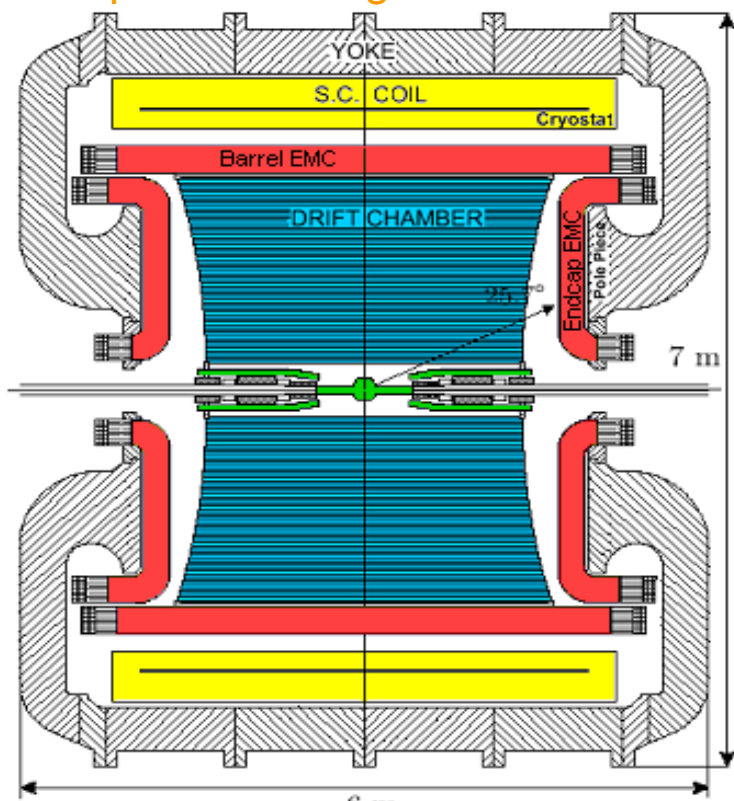


KLOE and KLOE-2 at the Frascati ϕ -factory DAΦNE



KLOE detector

Superconducting coil $B = 0.52$ T



Lead/scintillating fiber calorimeter $\sigma_E/E \cong 5.7\% \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}$
 $\sigma_t \cong 54 \text{ ps} \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})} \oplus 50 \text{ ps}$

drift chamber; 4 m diameter \times 3.3 m length
 90% He - 10% isobutane gas mixture

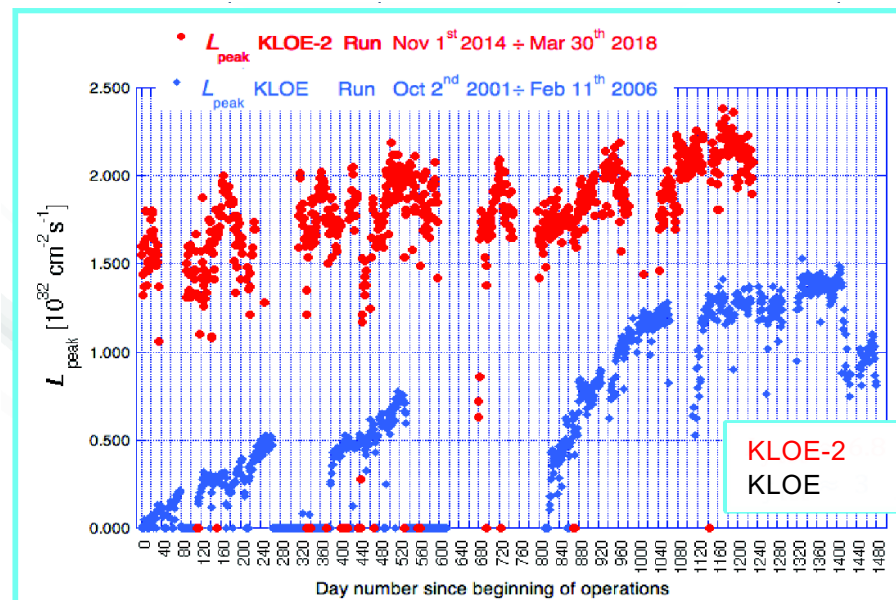
$\sigma(p_\perp)/p_\perp \cong 0.4\%$ $\sigma_{xy} \cong 150 \mu\text{m}$ $\sigma_z \cong 2 \text{ mm}$

DAΦNE collider



KLOE-2: $L_{\text{int}} \sim 5.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

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KLOE + KLOE-2 data sample:

$\sim 8 \text{ fb}^{-1} \Rightarrow 2.4 \times 10^{10} \phi$'s produced

$\sim 8 \times 10^9 K_S K_L$ pairs

$\sim 3 \times 10^8 \eta$'s

\Rightarrow the largest sample ever collected at the $\phi(1020)$ peak in e^+e^- collisions

T, CP, CPT tests in neutral kaon transitions at KLOE



CPT

T

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observables

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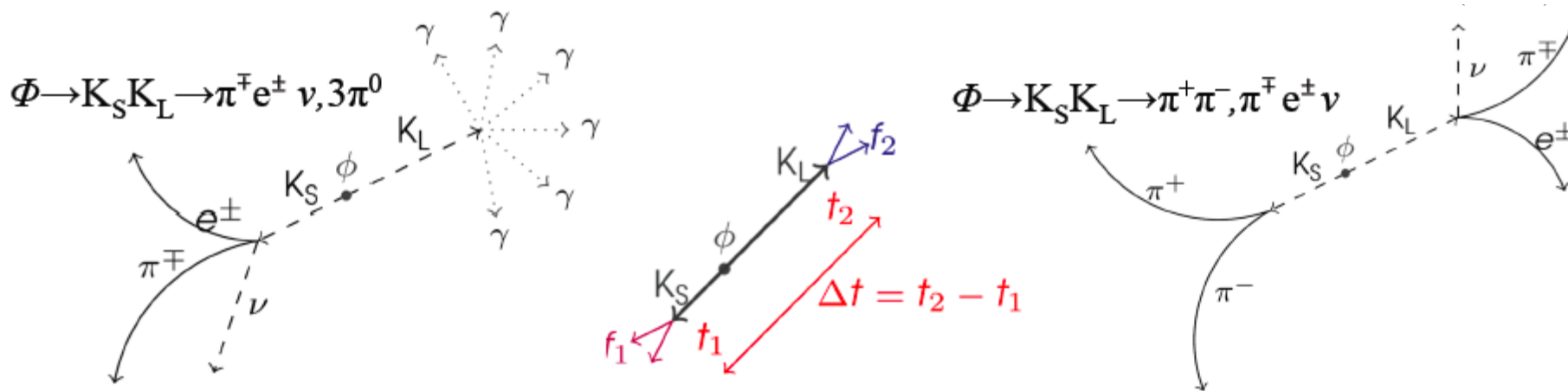
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Corresponding to study the following processes at KLOE:



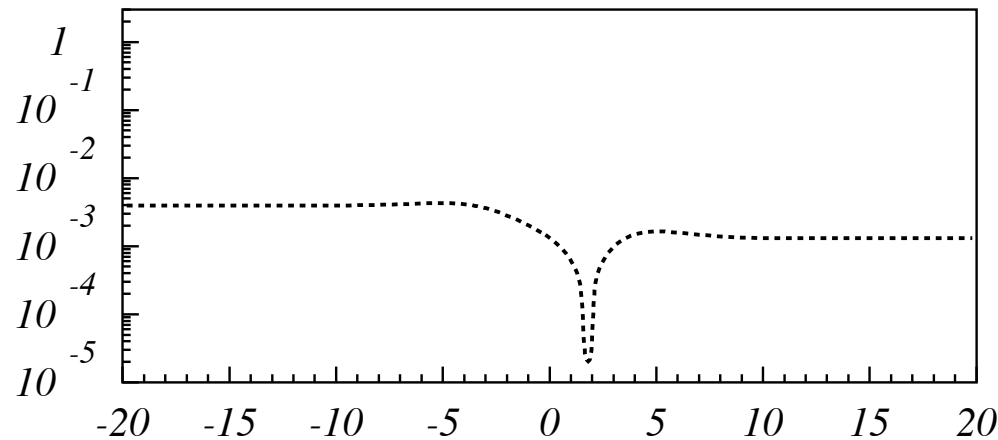
Direct test of CPT symmetry in neutral kaon transitions



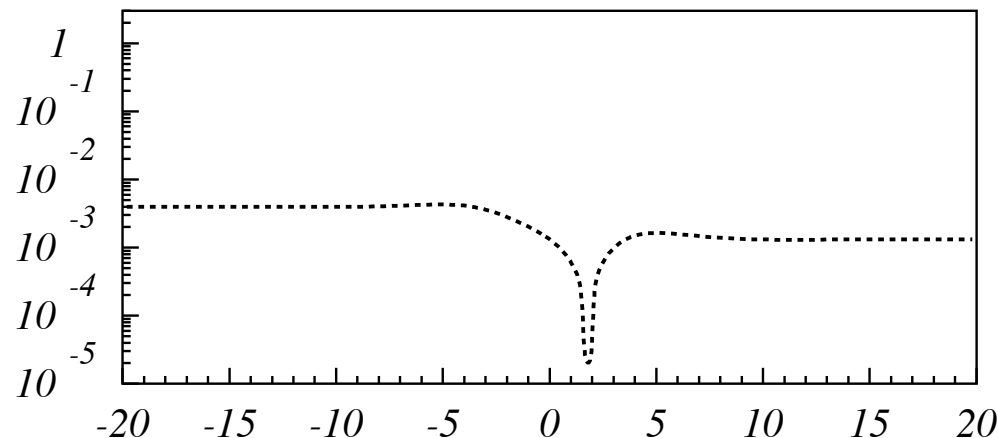
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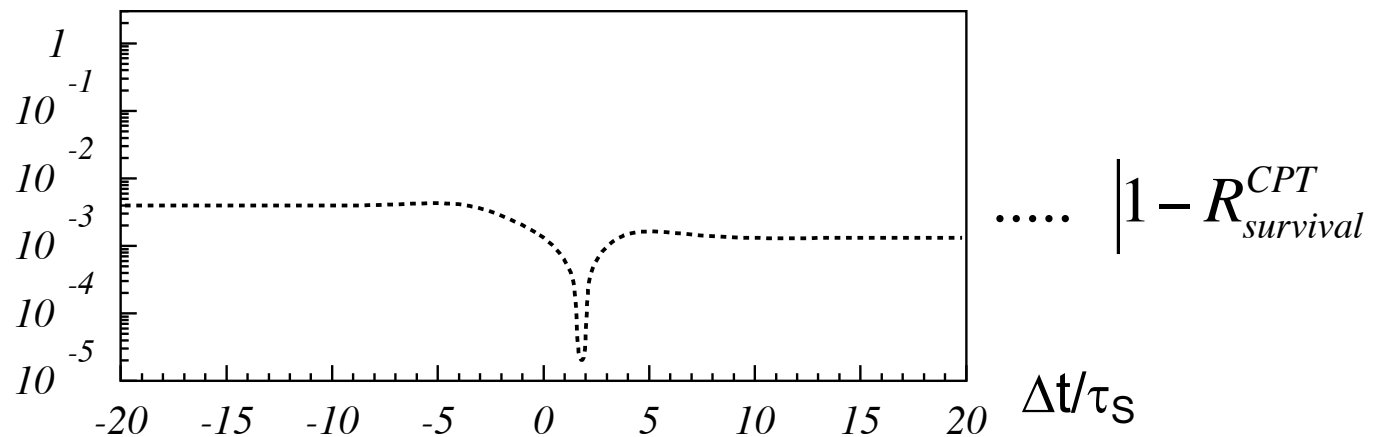
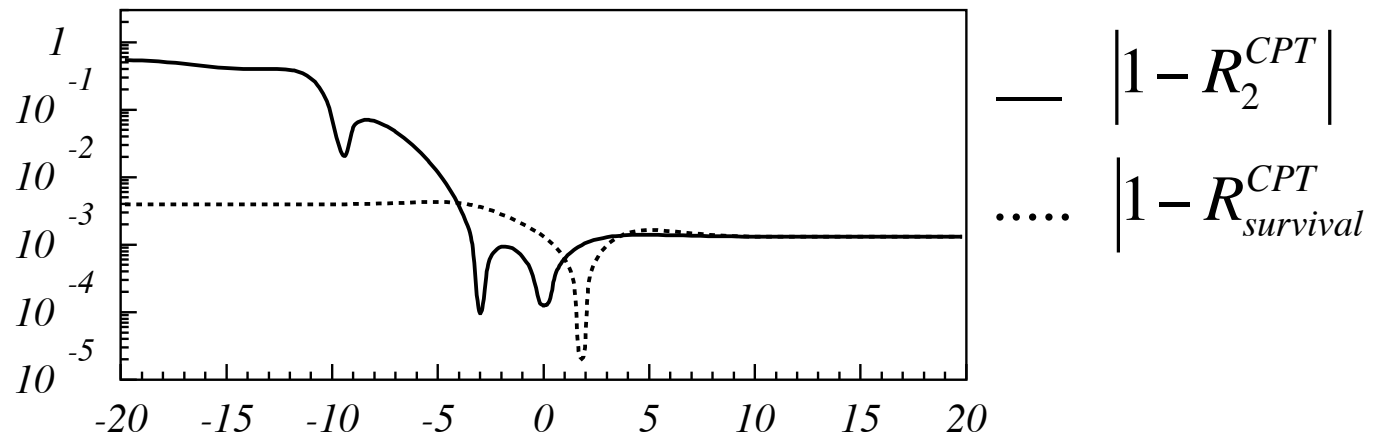
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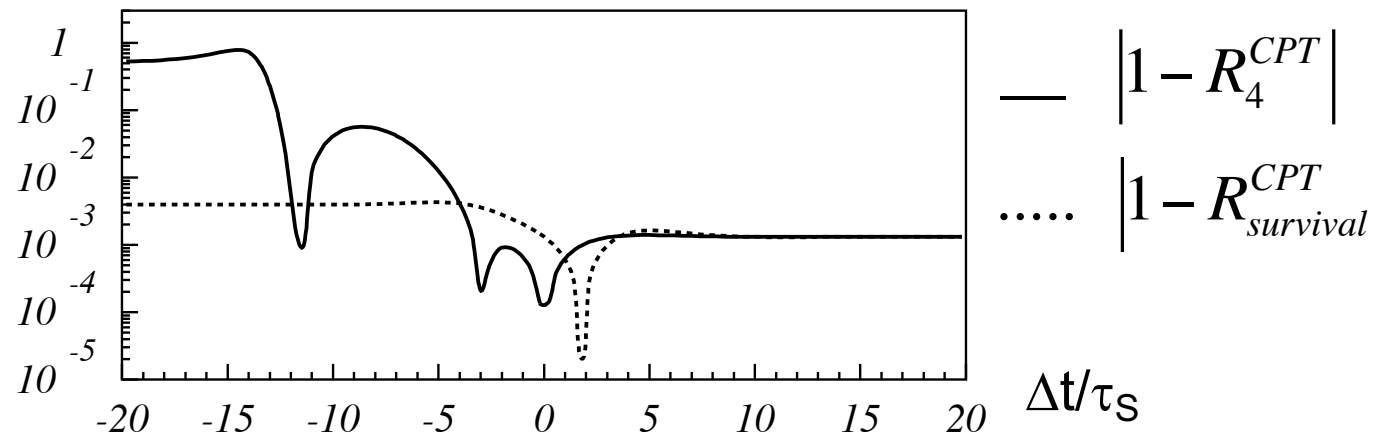
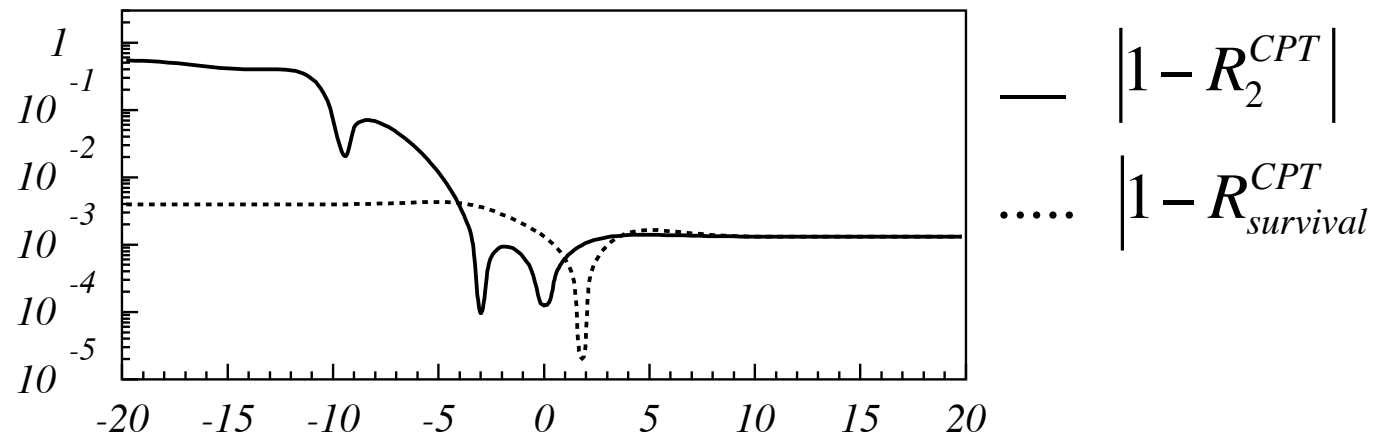
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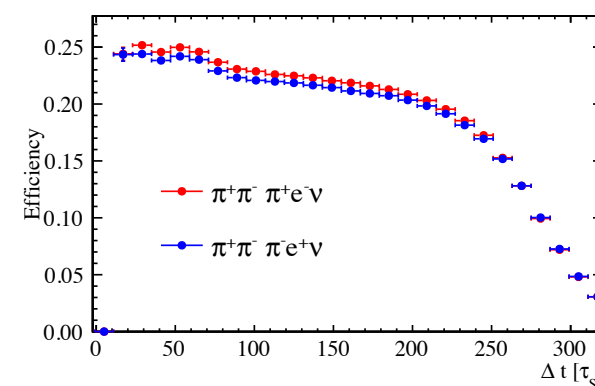
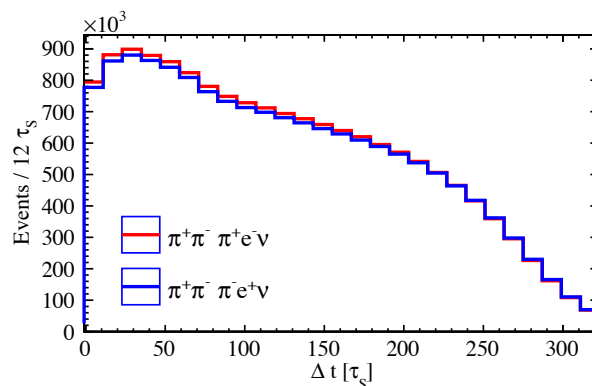
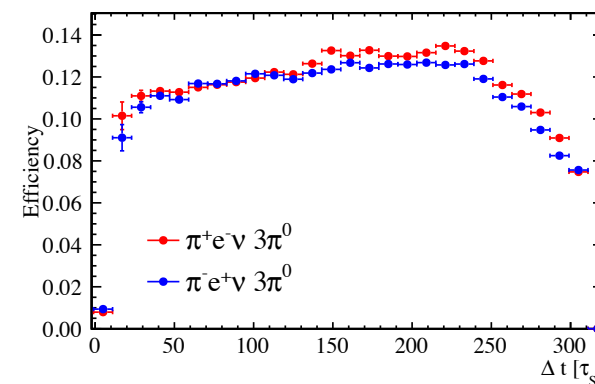
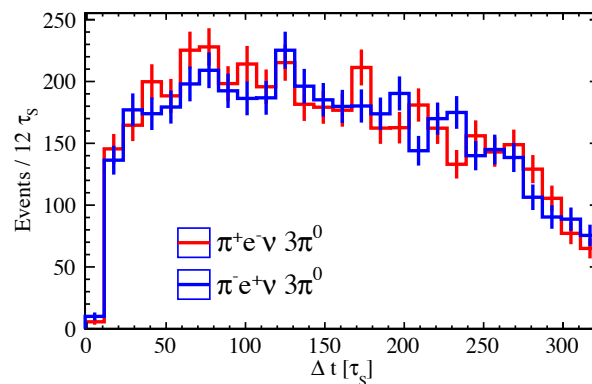
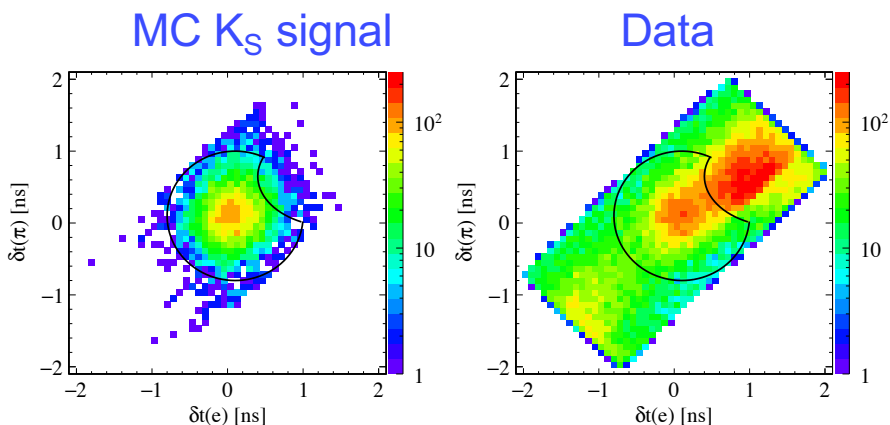


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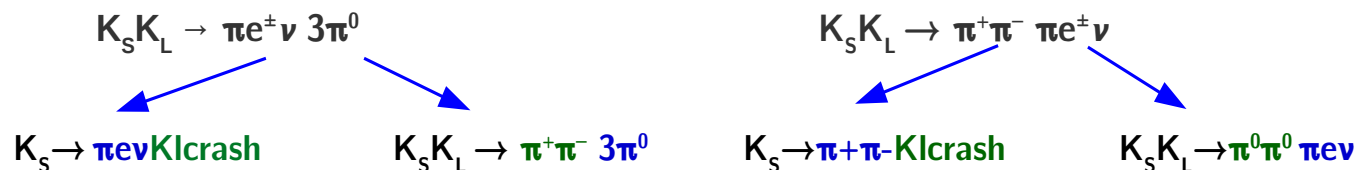


- Analysed data $L=1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Four processes studied:
 $\phi \rightarrow K_S K_L \rightarrow \pi e^\pm \nu 3\pi^0$ and $\pi^+ \pi^- \pi e^\pm \nu$
in the asymptotic regime: $\Delta t \gg \tau_S$
- Time of flight technique to identify semileptonic decays

Measured double kaon decay intensities



- residual background subtraction for $\pi e^\pm \nu 3\pi^0$ channel
- MC selection efficiencies corrected from data with 4 independent control samples

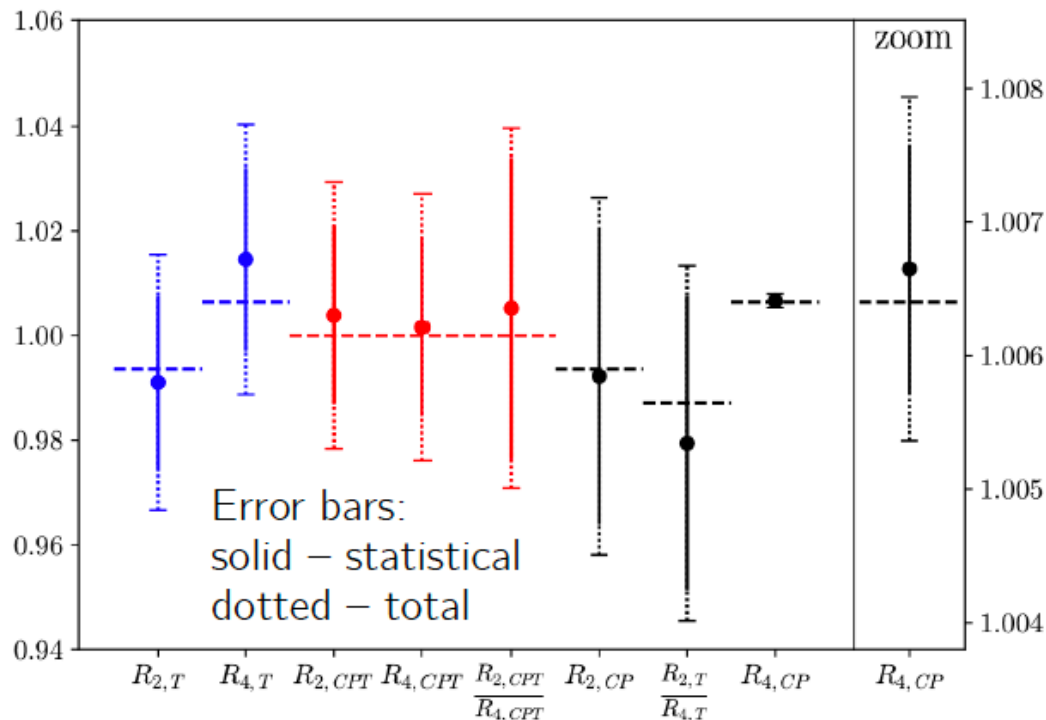


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horizontal dashed lines denote expected values:
 CPT invariance and TV extrapolated from observed CPV (PDG)

KLOE-2 result
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$$R_{2,T} = 0.991 \pm 0.017_{stat} \pm 0.014_{syst} \pm 0.012_D ,$$

$$R_{4,T} = 1.015 \pm 0.018_{stat} \pm 0.015_{syst} \pm 0.012_D ,$$

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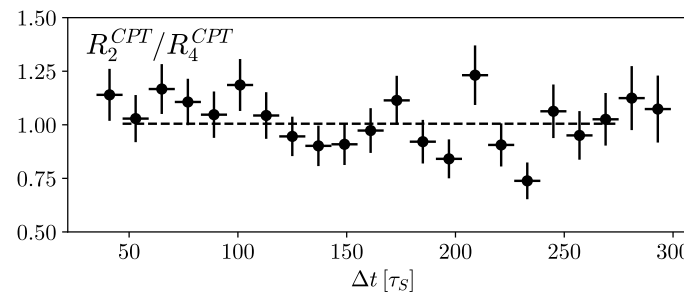
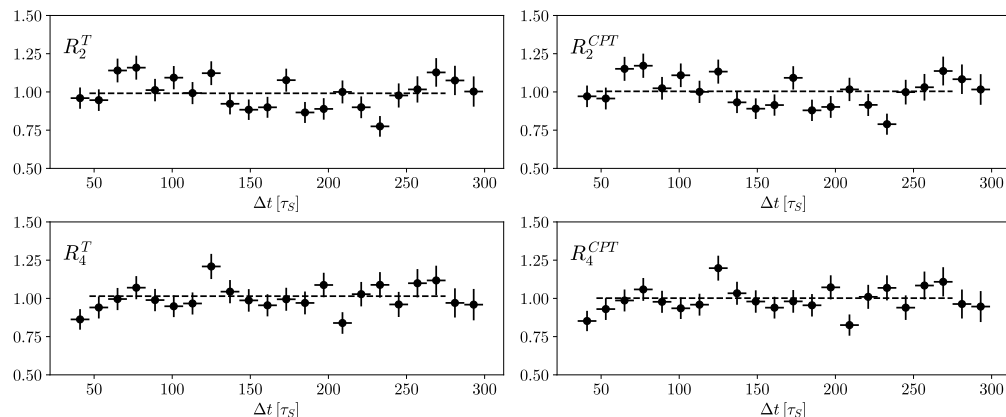
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$$R_{4,CP} = 1.00665 \pm 0.00093_{stat} \pm 0.00089_{syst} ,$$

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First T and CPT test in kaon transitions

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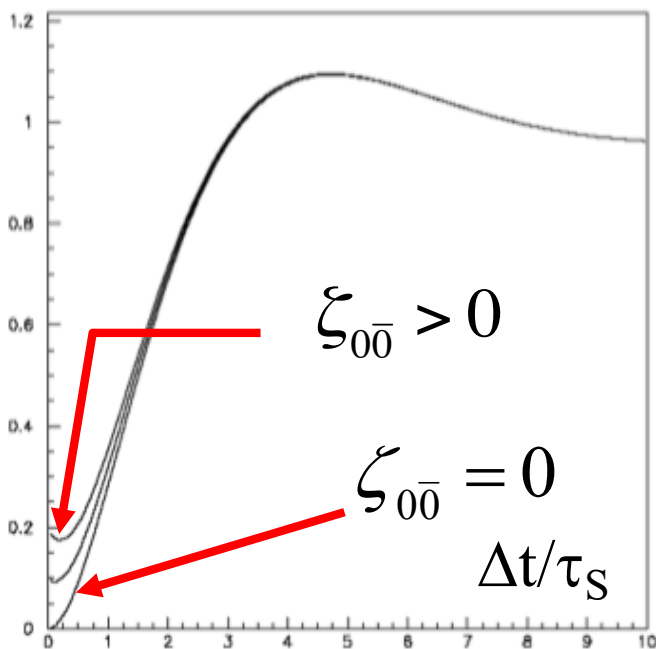


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$$\zeta_{0\bar{0}} = (-0.5 \pm 8.0_{stat} \pm 3.7_{syst}) \times 10^{-7}$$

CP violating process:

terms $\zeta_{00}/|\eta_{+-}|^2$ with $|\eta_{+-}|^2 \sim |\epsilon|^2 \sim 10^{-6}$

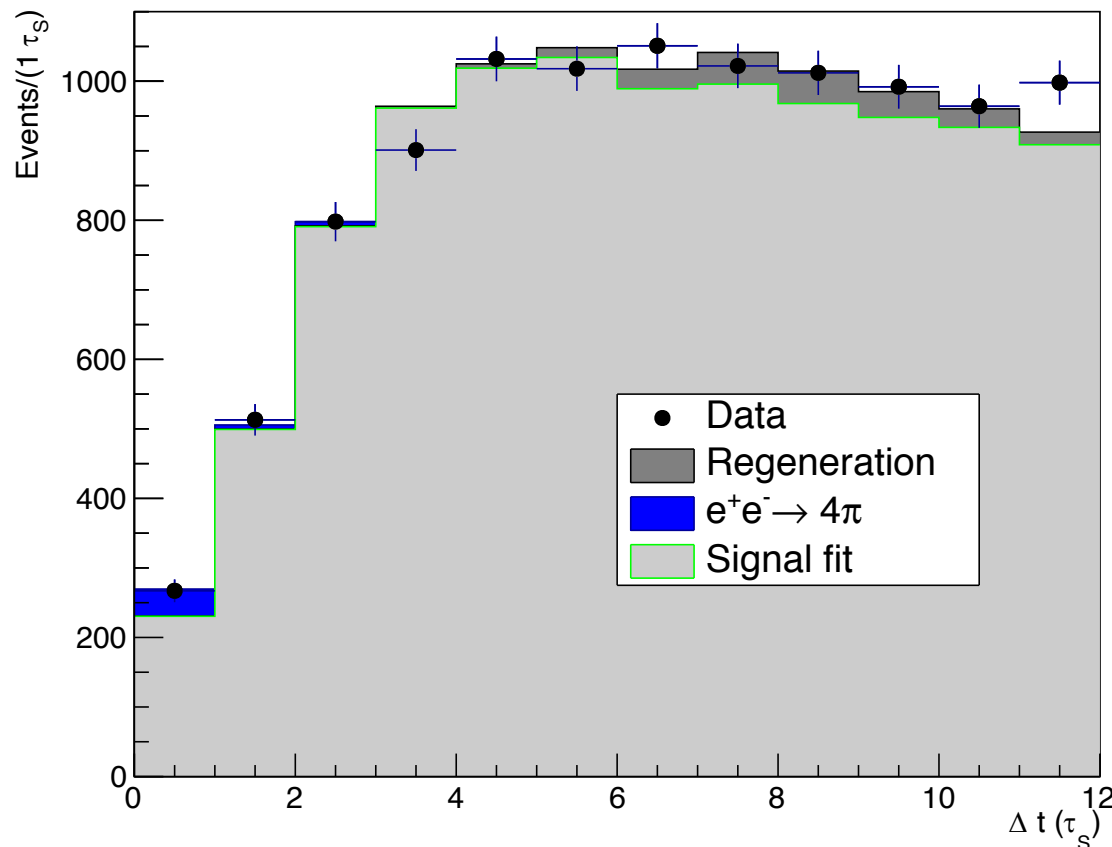
=> **high sensitivity to ζ_{00}** ;

CP violation in kaon mixing acts as amplification mechanism

In the B-meson system, BELLE coll. (PRL 99 (2007) 131802) obtains:

$$\zeta_{0\bar{0}}^B = 0.029 \pm 0.057$$

Possible decoherence due quantum gravity effects (apparent loss of unitarity) implying also **CPT** violation => modified Liouville – von Neumann equation for the density matrix of the kaon system depends on a CPTV parameter γ [J. Ellis et al. PRD53 (1996) 3846]



In this scenario γ can be at most:

$$O(m_K^2/M_{PLANCK}) = 2 \times 10^{-20} \text{ GeV}$$

KLOE-2 result

$$\gamma = (1.3 \pm 9.4_{stat} \pm 4.2_{syst}) \times 10^{-22} \text{ GeV}$$

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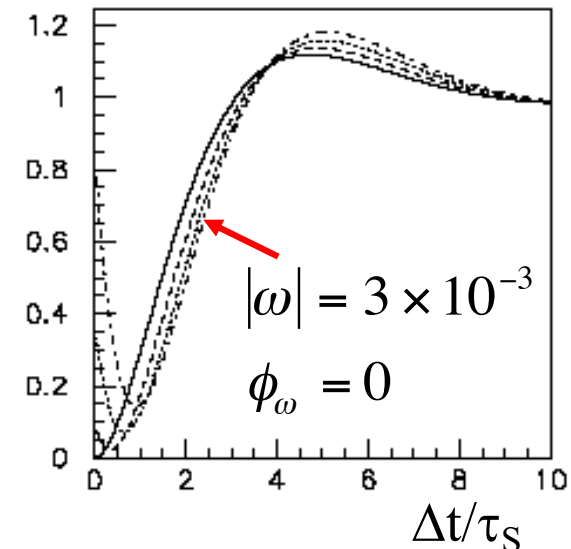
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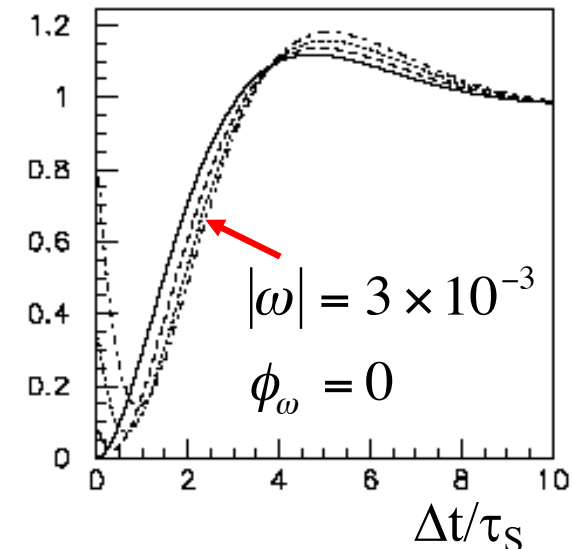
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The fit with $I(\pi^+ \pi^-, \pi^+ \pi^-; \Delta t, \omega)$ yields (1.7 fb⁻¹):

$$\begin{aligned} \Re\omega &= \left(-2.3_{-1.5}^{+1.9}{}_{stat} \pm 0.6_{syst} \right) \times 10^{-4} \\ \Im\omega &= \left(-4.1_{-2.6}^{+2.8}{}_{stat} \pm 0.9_{syst} \right) \times 10^{-4} \\ |\omega| &= \left(4.7 \pm 2.9_{stat} \pm 1.0_{syst} \right) \times 10^{-4} \\ \phi_\omega &= -2.1 \pm 0.2_{stat} \pm 0.1_{syst} \text{ rad} \end{aligned}$$

from $|\omega|^2 = \frac{\text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow K_S K_S, K_L K_L)}{\text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow K_S K_L)}$

$$\text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow K_S K_S, K_L K_L) < 2.4 \times 10^{-7} \text{ at 90\% C.L.}$$

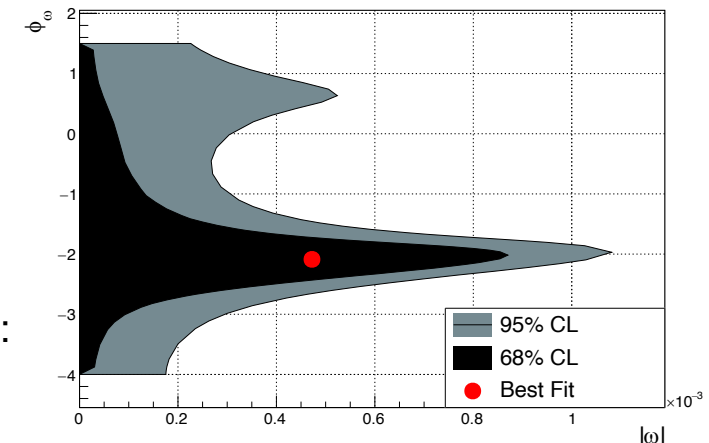
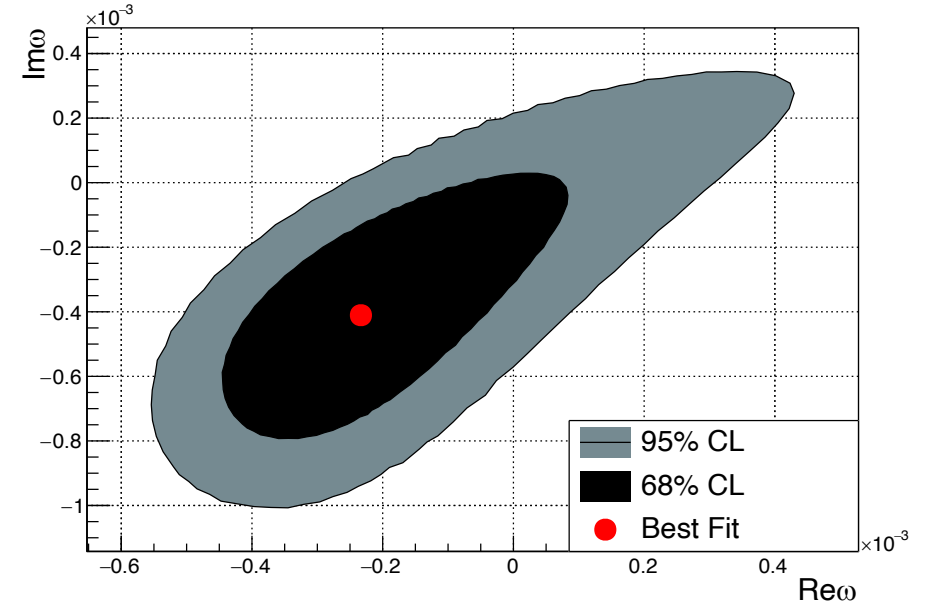
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Experimental disproof of prediction:
 $\text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow K_S K_S) \sim 3.6 \times 10^{-6}$
 PRL 96, 192001(2006)

In the B system:

$$-0.0084 \leq \Re\omega \leq 0.0100 \text{ at 95\% C.L.}$$

Alvarez, Bernabeu, Nebot JHEP 11 (2006) 087 (see also Bernabeu et al, EPJC (2017) 77:865)



- The neutral kaon system is a jewel donated to us by Nature.
- It is an excellent laboratory for the study of CPT symmetry and the basic principles of Quantum Mechanics.
- These studies are widely expanded with entangled neutral kaon pairs at a ϕ -factory.
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spare slides



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Direct test of symmetries with neutral kaons



Reference	T -conjugate	CP -conjugate	CPT -conjugate
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$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$
$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$
$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$

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Conjugate=
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Reference	T -conjugate	CP -conjugate	CPT -conjugate
$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$
$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$
$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$

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Reference	T -conjugate	CP -conjugate	CPT -conjugate
$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$
$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$
$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$

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Two identical
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Reference	T -conjugate	CP -conjugate	CPT -conjugate
$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$
$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$
$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$

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$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$
$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$
$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_+$
$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$
$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$	$\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K^0$	$K^0 \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_+$	$K_+ \rightarrow K_-$
$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$	$K_- \rightarrow K_-$

4 distinct tests
of *T* symmetry

4 distinct tests
of *CP* symmetry

4 distinct tests
of *CPT* symmetry