

V_{us} determination from KLOE

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V_{us} from K_{l3} rates

$$\Gamma(K_{l3(\gamma)}) = \frac{C_K^2 G_F^2 M_K^5}{192\pi^3} S_{EW} |V_{us}|^2 |f_+^{K^0\pi^-}(0)|^2 \times I_{Kl}(\{\lambda\}_{Kl}) (1 + 2\Delta_K^{SU(2)} + 2\Delta_{Kl}^{EM})$$

with $K \in \{K^+, K^0\}$; $l \in \{e, \mu\}$, and:

C_K^2 1/2 for K^+ , 1 for K^0

Inputs from theory:

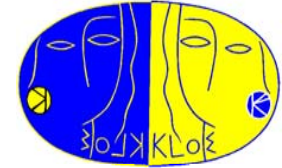
- S_{EW} Universal short distance EW correction (1.0232)
- $f_+^{K^0\pi^-}(0)$ Hadronic matrix element at zero momentum transfer ($t=0$)
- $\Delta_K^{SU(2)}$ Form factor correction for strong SU(2) breaking
- Δ_{Kl}^{EM} Long distance EM effects

Inputs from experiment:

- $\Gamma(K_{l3(\gamma)})$ **Branching ratios** with well determined treatment of radiative decays; **lifetimes**
- $I_{Kl}(\lambda)$ Phase space integral: λ s parameterize form factor dependence on t :
 - K_{e3} : **only λ_+ (or $\lambda_+' \lambda_+''$)**
 - $K_{\mu 3}$: **need λ_+ and λ_0**

KLOE is measuring all relevant inputs for charged and neutral kaons: BR's, lifetimes, ff's

K_L BRs, lifetime and $Ke3$ ff slopes



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Absolute BRs: K_L decays tagged by $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$

Set $\sum_x \text{BR}(K_L \rightarrow x, \tau_L) = 1$ and solve for BRs and τ_L

$$\text{BR}^{(0)}(Ke3) = 0.4049(21)$$

$$\text{BR}^{(0)}(K\mu3) = 0.2726(16) \quad \text{at } \tau_L^{(0)} = 51.54 \text{ ns}$$

$$\text{BR}^{(0)}(3\pi^0) = 0.2018(24)$$

$$\text{BR}^{(0)}(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0) = 0.1276(15)$$

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Lifetime: fitting the time dependence of $K_L \rightarrow 3\pi^0$ decays

High, uniform reconstruction efficiency over $0.4\lambda_L$

Independent of BR measurement

$$\tau_L = 50.92(30) \text{ ns}$$

cf. Vosburgh '72: $\tau_L = 51.54(44) \text{ ns}$

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$K_L e3$ form factor slopes: K_L decays tagged by $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$

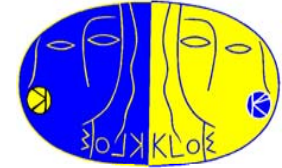
background rejection and PID using TOF

Agreement between results from quadratic and pole parametrization

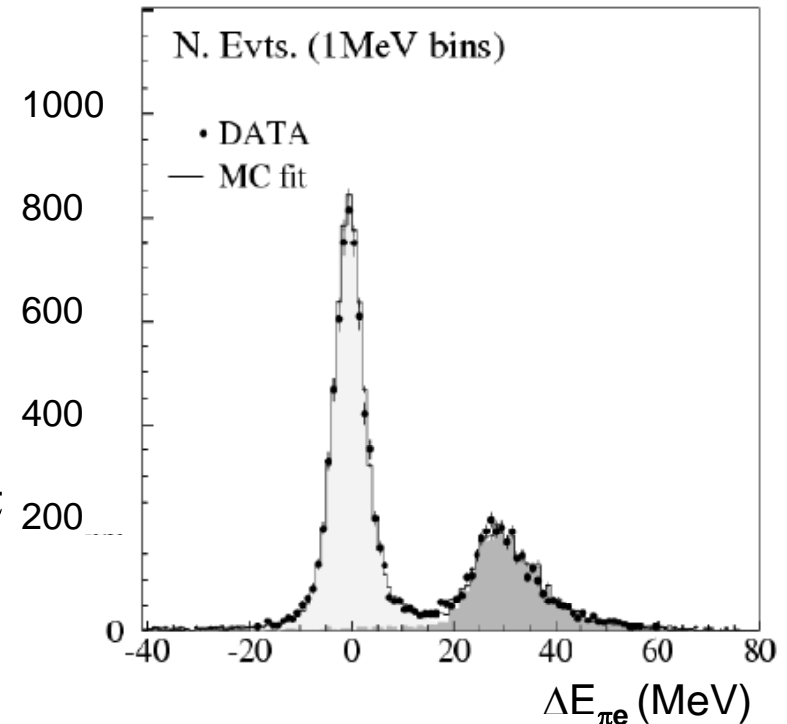
| $\lambda'_+ \times 10^3$ | $\lambda''_+ \times 10^3$ |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 25.5 ± 1.8 | 1.4 ± 0.8 |

Correlation -0.95

Unique to KLOE: $BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi e \nu)$



- ✧ K_S tagged by KL interacting in EMC
 - $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ e^- \nu, \pi^- e^+ \nu$:
 - extrapolate tracks from IP to EMC
 - p/e discrimination from TOF
 - signal count from fit of distribution of multiple kinetic variables
 - $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$: extrapolate tracks to the IP
 - accept events with two tracks
- ✧ Normalize $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ e^- \nu, \pi^- e^+ \nu$ to $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$
- ✧ Correct for selection efficiencies by charge



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Using tagged K_S beam

$$BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi e \nu) / BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) = 10.19(13) \times 10^{-4}$$

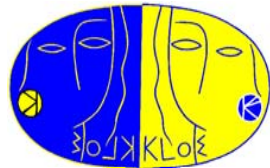
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410 pb⁻¹, averaged with KLOE '02 result (17 pb⁻¹)

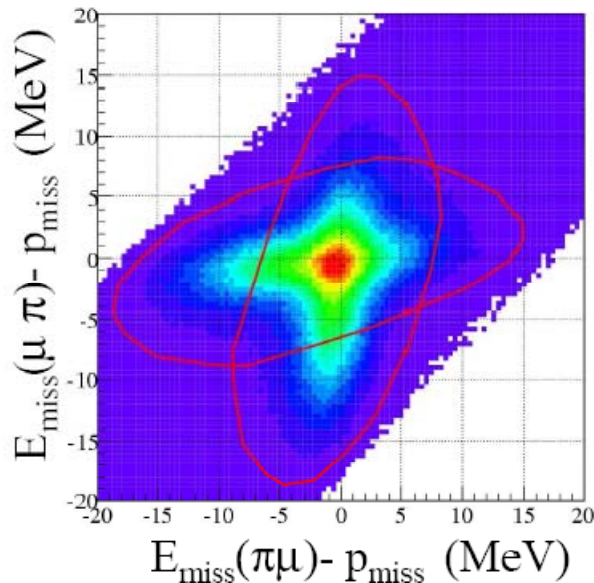
$$BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) / BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0) = 2.2549(54)$$

These two measurements completely determine main K_S BRs

$$BR(K_S \rightarrow \pi e \nu) = 7.046(91) \times 10^{-4} \text{ (total error dominated by statistics)}$$



$K_L \mu 3$ form factor slopes

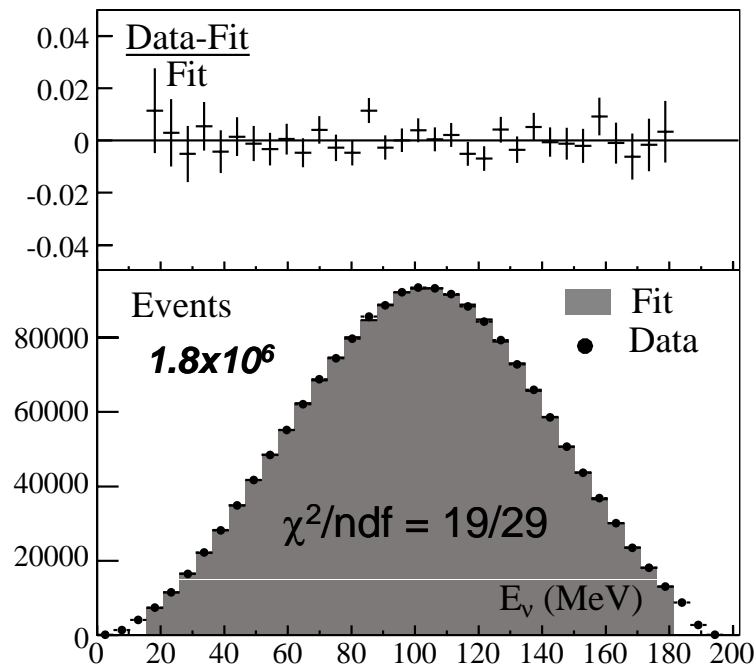


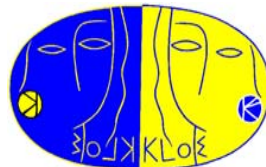
- ✧ K_L decays tagged by $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$
- ✧ preselection cutting on $E_{\text{miss}} - p_{\text{miss}}$
- ✧ background rejection of $\pi\pi, \pi\pi\pi$ and $\pi e\nu$ from kinematics
- ✧ further reduction of $Ke3$ background with TOF & NN output (based on E/p and cluster shape)
- ✧ π/μ ID with TOF is difficult at low energies

λ_0 slope by fitting the E_ν distribution and combined fit with $K_L e 3$ results for λ'_+ and λ''_+

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| | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| $\lambda'_+ \times 10^3$ | $\lambda''_+ \times 10^3$ | $\lambda_0 \times 10^3$ |
| 25.6 ± 1.8 | 1.5 ± 0.8 | 15.4 ± 2.1 |





More on slopes

Power expansion:

$$f_{+,0}(t) = f_+(0) \times \left(1 + \lambda'_{+,0} \frac{t}{m_\pi^2} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda''_{+,0} \left(\frac{t}{m_\pi^2} \right)^2 + \dots \right)$$

Pole expansion:

$$f_{+,0}(t) = f_+(0) \frac{1}{1 - t/m_{V,S}^2}$$

KE3 - vector form factor

- ❖ Experiments are sensitive to both linear and quadratic terms of power exp.
- ❖ Results are in agreement with the pole parametrization as expected from dispersion relations

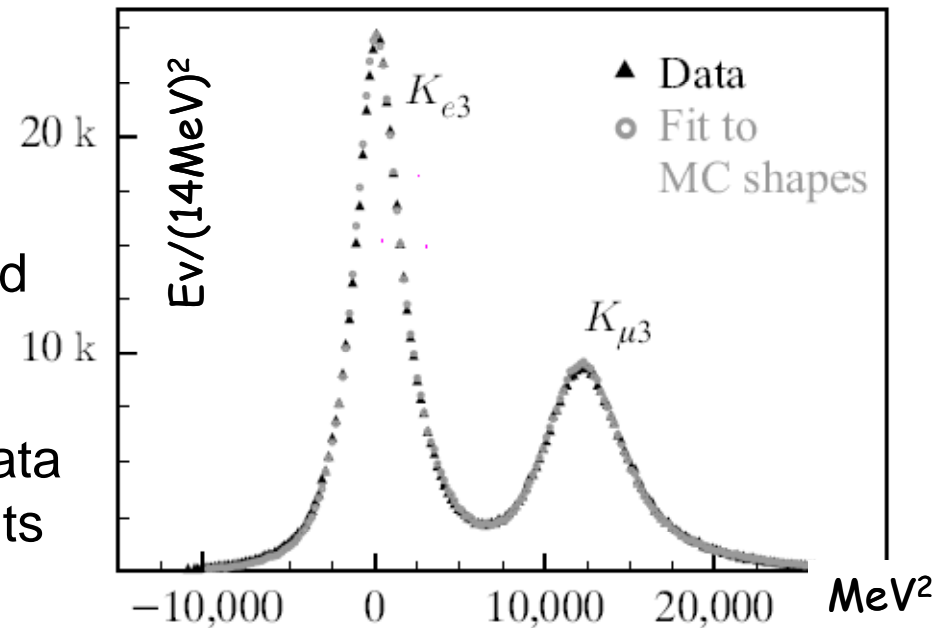
Kμ3 - vector and scalar form factors

- ❖ Experiments cannot determine the quadratic coefficient λ_0'' of $f_0(t)$
- ❖ Input from theory is needed to write $f(t)$ with one parameter
- ❖ Use recent parametrization based on dispersion relations from *Stern & coll.* *PLB 638 (2006)*
 - shift on λ_0' of about -2×10^{-3}
 - impact on phase space integral $I_K(\lambda)$
- ❖ Crucial for QCD tests with Callan-Treiman (*see F. Mescia talk*)

Measurement of $BR(K^\pm l_3)$



- ✧ 4 independent-tag samples:
 $K^+\mu_2$, $K^+\pi_2$, $K^-\mu_2$, and $K^-\pi_2$
keep under control the systematic effects due to the tag selection
- ✧ kinematical cuts to reject background
residual background is about 1.5% of the selected $K^\pm l_3$ sample
- ✧ **constrained likelihood fit of m^2 data distributions from ToF measurements**
count the number of signal events
- ✧ selection efficiency from MC and correct for Data/MC differences
(dominating contribution to the final uncertainty)



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Absolute $BR(K^\pm e_3)$ and $BR(K^\pm \mu_3)$ measurements

Separate measurements for each charge

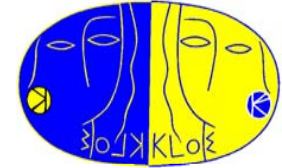
Tagged by $K \rightarrow \mu\nu$ and $K \rightarrow \pi\pi^0$: 8 measurements total

$$BR^{(0)}(K^\pm e_3) = 4.965(53)\%$$

$$BR^{(0)}(K^\pm \mu_3) = 3.233(39)\%$$

$$\text{at } \tau_\pm^{(0)} = 12.384 \text{ ns, with } d BR/BR = -0.45 d\tau_\pm/\tau_\pm$$

K^\pm lifetime



✧ Poor consistency of PDG average with **measurements spread**

$$\delta\tau/\tau \sim 0.2\% \rightarrow \delta V_{us}/V_{us} \sim 0.1\%$$

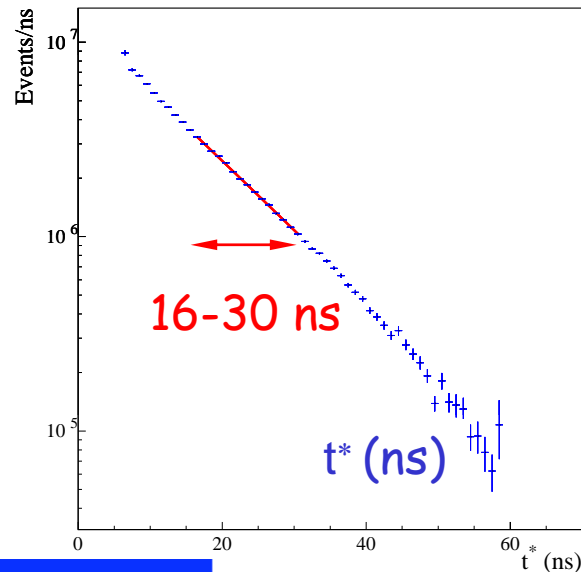
$$\delta\tau/\tau \sim 0.8\% \rightarrow \delta V_{us}/V_{us} \sim 0.4\%$$

✧ Use $K_{\mu 2}$ tagged decay vertices in drift chamber and two different methods to evaluate the proper time t^* (cross-check systematic effects)

Fit to t^* distribution from decay length

Coverage: 16-30 ns $\rightarrow 1.1\tau_\pm$

Evaluation of t^* includes dE/dx (2 mm steps)

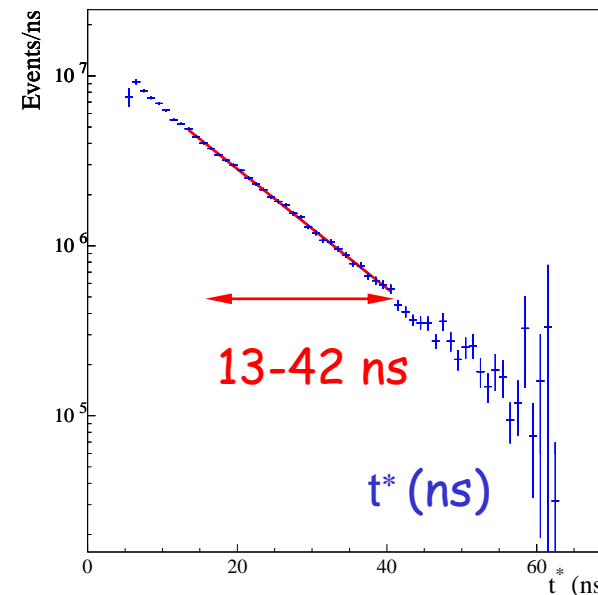


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$$\tau_\pm = 12.367(44)(65) \text{ ns}$$

Fit to t^* distribution from decay time

Coverage: 13-42 ns $\rightarrow 2.3\tau_\pm$

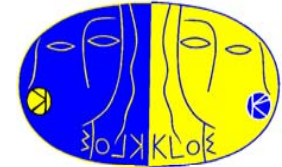


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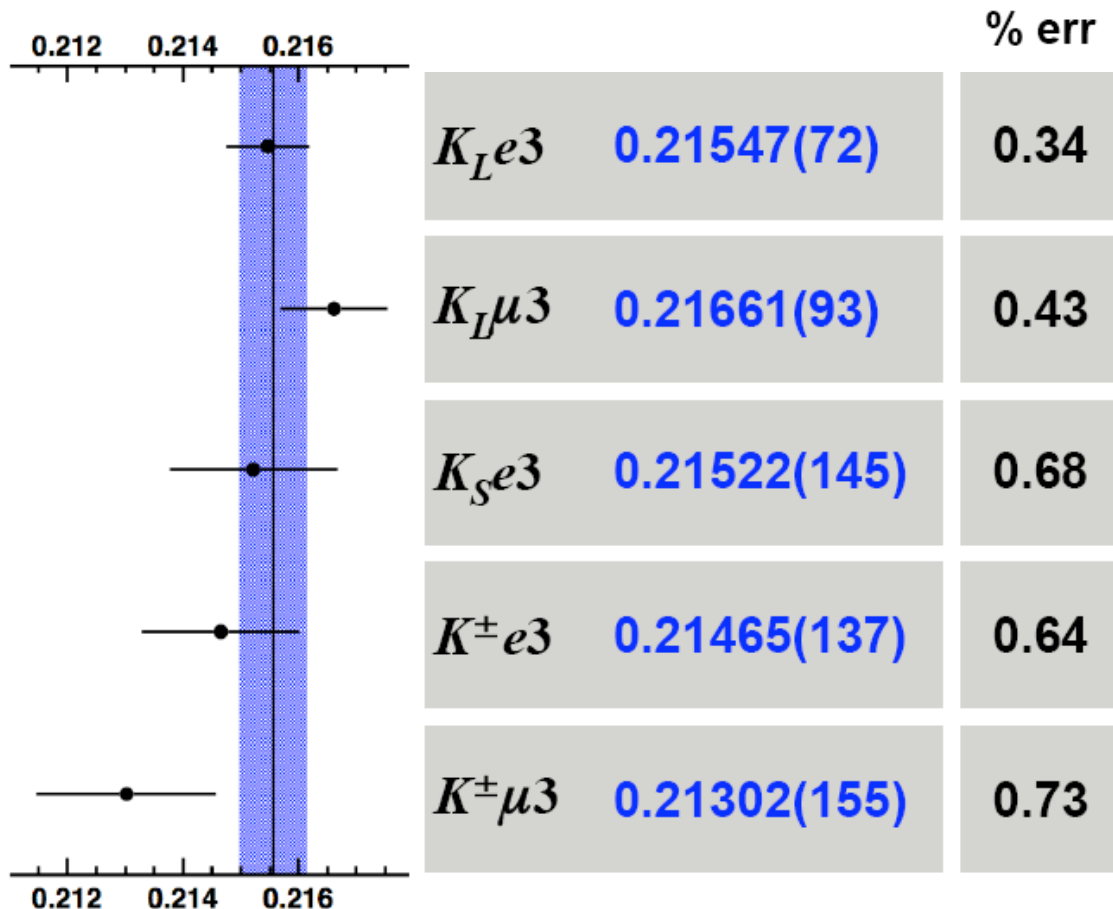
$$\tau_\pm = 12.391(49)(25) \text{ ns}$$

$$\rho = 0.34$$

$|V_{us}| f_+(0)$ from KLOE data



$|V_{us}| f_+(0)$



$K^+ - K^0$ diff.: -1.3σ
 $\Delta^{SU(2)}_{\text{exp}} = 1.52(63)\%$

$r_{\mu e}(K^0) = 1.0109(89)$
 $r_{\mu e}(K^+) = 0.9848(108)$

$r_{\mu e} = 1.0011(76)$
 Prob(χ^2) = 3.43%

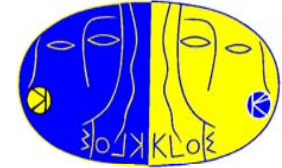
$|V_{us}| = 0.22433(134)$

Unitarity test: -2.0σ

see T. Spadaro talk

Average: $|V_{us}| f_+(0) = 0.21556(59)$ $\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 6.1/4$ (19%)

BR($K^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu(\gamma)$) and V_{us}/V_{ud}



Marciano '04

$$\frac{\Gamma(K^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu(\gamma))}{\Gamma(\pi^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu(\gamma))} = \frac{|V_{us}|^2 f_K^2 m_K (1 - m_\mu^2/m_K^2)^2}{|V_{ud}|^2 f_\pi^2 m_\pi (1 - m_\mu^2/m_\pi^2)^2} \times 0.9930(35)$$

Uncertainty from SD virtual corrections \longleftarrow

HP/UKQCD '07
arXiv:0706.1726

$$f_K/f_\pi = 1.189(7)$$

$$N_f = (2+1)_{\text{stag}}$$

Cancellation of lattice-scale uncertainties

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$$\mathbf{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu(\gamma)) = \mathbf{0.6366(17)}$$

Uses $K^- \rightarrow \mu^- \nu$ to tag 2-body K decays

Counts $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$ from decay-momentum spectrum

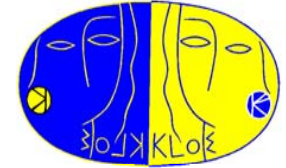
Use KLOE $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu(\gamma))$ instead of value from BR/lifetime fit:

Error slightly larger, but radiative contribution under better control

$$\mathbf{V_{us}/V_{ud} = 0.2323(15)}$$

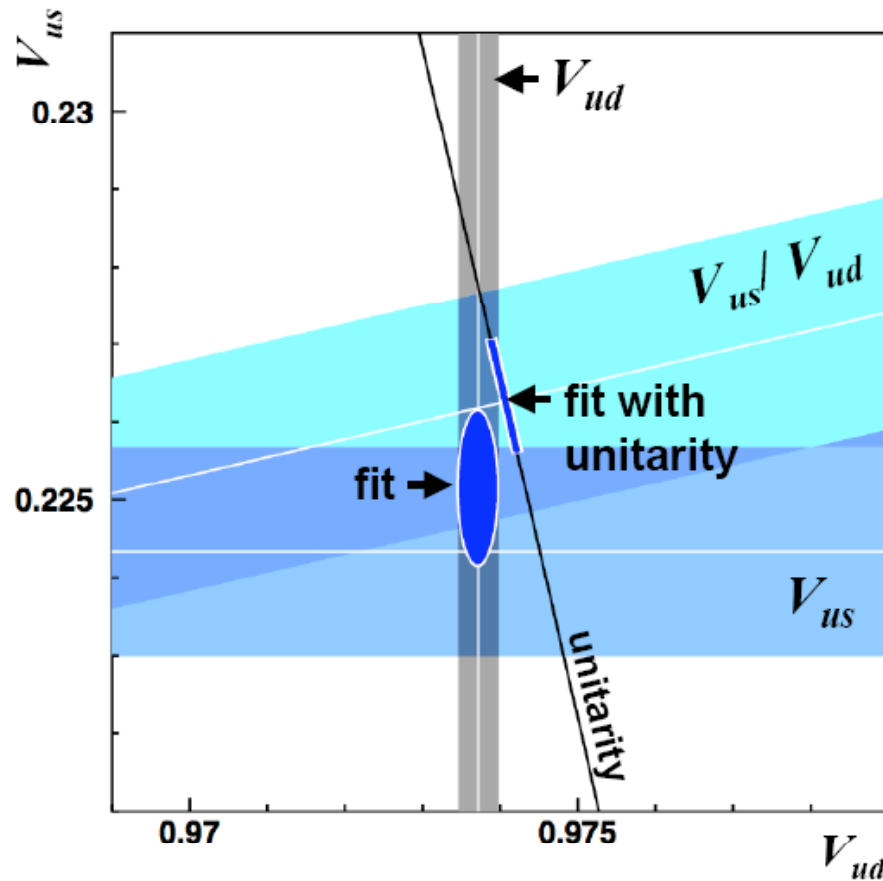
For New Physics search related to this channel refer to T. Spadaro talk

$V_{us} = -V_{ud}$ plane



$f_+(0)$ from UKQCD/RBC '06

$|V_{us}| = 0.2243(13)$ from KLOE $Kl3$



Fit results, no constraint:

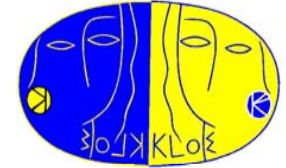
$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{ud} &= 0.97371(26) \\
 V_{us} &= 0.2252(10) \\
 \chi^2/\text{ndf} &= 0.85/1 \quad (36\%)
 \end{aligned}$$

Fit results, unitarity constraint:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{ud} &= 0.97405(17) \\
 V_{us} &= 0.2263(7) \\
 \chi^2/\text{ndf} &= 3.8/2 \quad (14.6\%)
 \end{aligned}$$

Agreement with unitarity 1.5σ

$BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 (\gamma))$



This new measurement is crucial in order to perform the fit to K^\pm BR's:

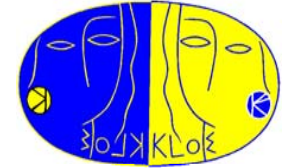
- ✧ only $Kl3$ and $Kl3/K\pi2$ measured recently
- ✧ $Kl3$ and $K\pi2$ are strongly correlated
- ✧ the available measurement dates back to **Chiang '72**
 $BR(K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0) = (21,18 \pm 0.28)\%$ $\Delta BR/BR = 1,3 \times 10^{-2}$
- ✧ but no radiative corrections & no correlations available

This decay enters in the normalization of $BR(K^\pm l3)$ by NA48, ISTRA+, E865 used for Vus

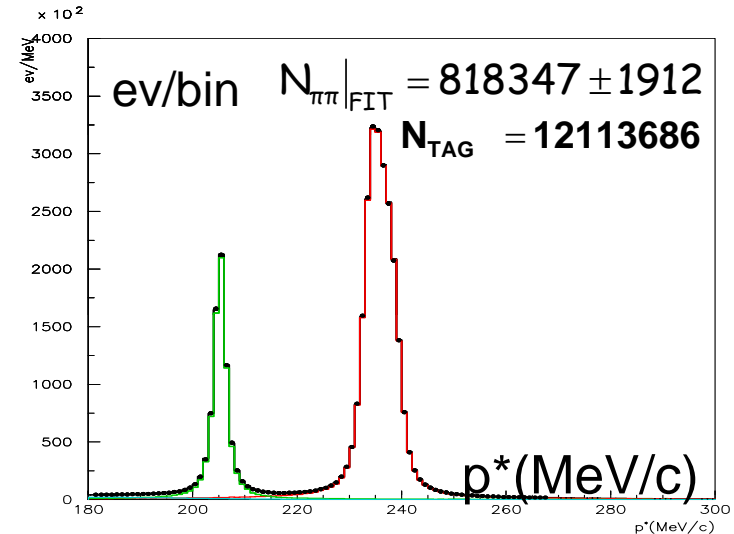
— The absolute $BR(K_{\pi2})$ measurement

- ❖ Normalization sample is given by $K^- \rightarrow \mu^- \nu$ tag
- ❖ Number of $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0$ decays from the fit of the distribution of the momentum of the charged decay particle in the kaon rest frame assuming the pion mass (p^*)
- ❖ Selection **efficiency** related to Drift Chamber information only and measured **directly on DATA** using the $K^\pm \rightarrow X^\pm \pi^0$ control sample identified from $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decay vertex

BR(K⁺ → π⁺π⁰(γ)): Preliminary result



- ✧ Signal count from the fit the p* distribution with three contributions:
 - ✧ μν peak from DATA control sample selected using calorimetric information only
 - ✧ ππ⁰ peak from DATA control sample selected using calorimetric information only
 - ✧ 3-body decays from MC
- ✧ Normalize to the number of tags
- ✧ Correct for the selection efficiency



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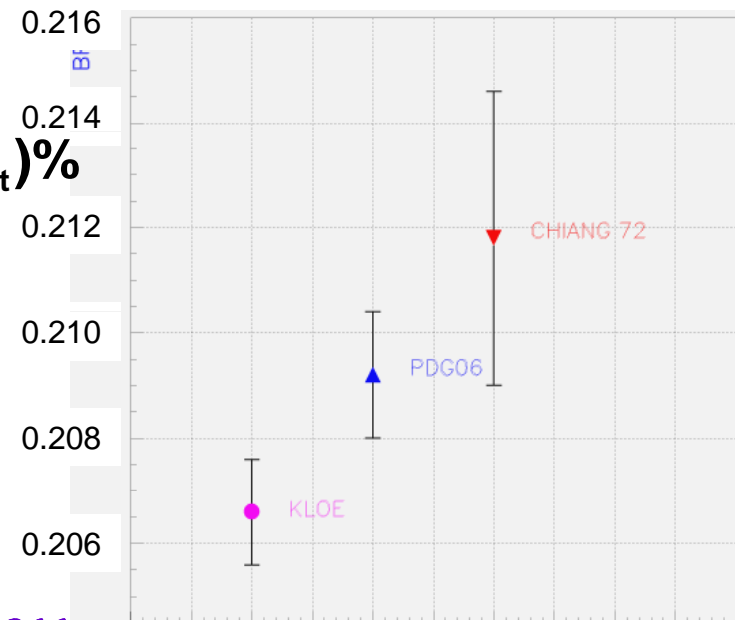
$$\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0(\gamma)) = (20.658 \pm 0.065_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.090_{\text{syst}})\%$$

PDG fit '06

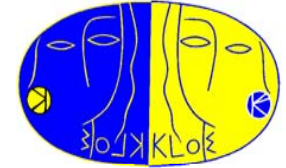
$$\text{BR}(K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0) = (20,92 \pm 0.12)\% \quad \Delta\text{BR}/\text{BR} = 5,7 \times 10^{-3}$$

CHIANG '72

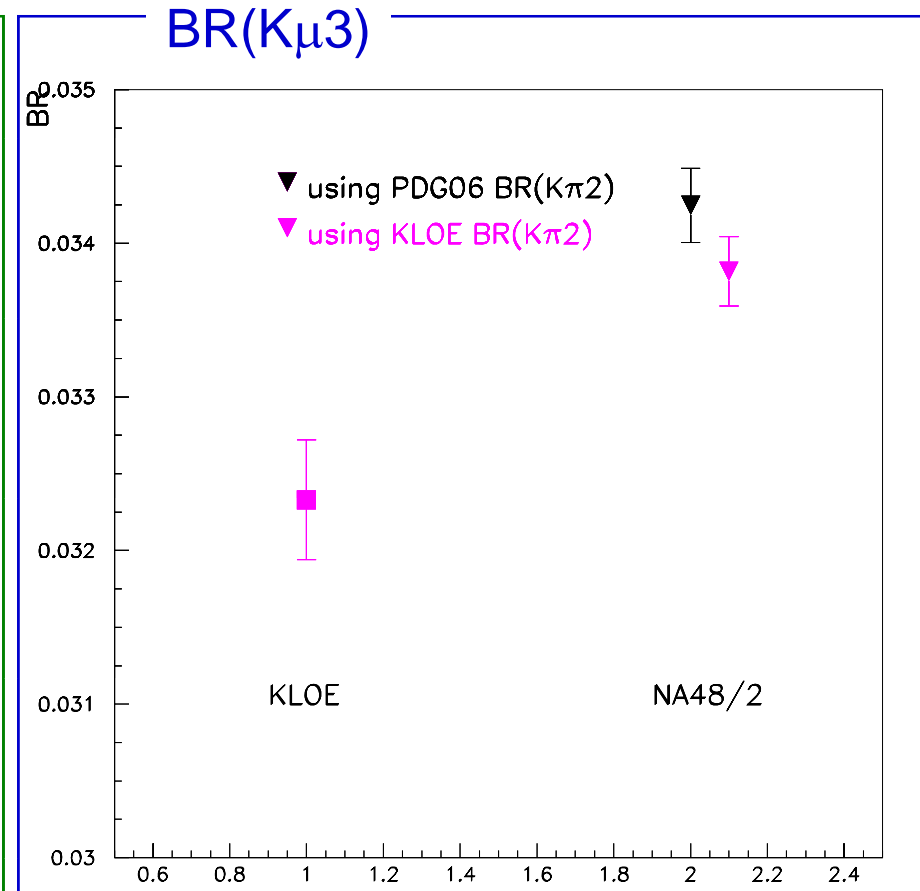
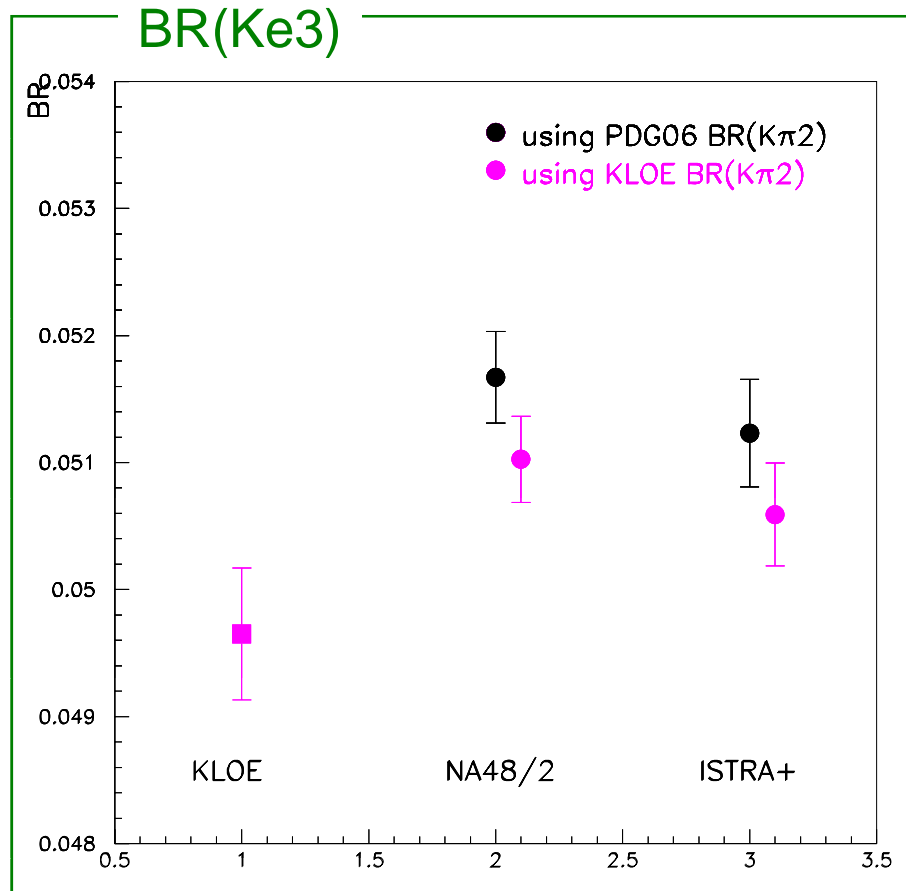
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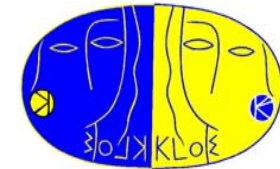
$BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 (\gamma))$: Preliminary result



Impact of the new measurement wrt PDG06 fit value on the $BR(Kl3)$ measurements normalized to $K\pi2$ decays and comparison with absolute $BR(Kl3)$ measurements from KLOE



Summary & conclusions



- ❖ *KLOE is playing a fundamental role in the determination of V_{us} being the only experiment able to measure all the parameters needed for its determination and using both K^\pm and $K_{L,S}$*

Kaon decay analyses published in 2006

- ✓ absolute BR's for 4 main K_L channels and τ_L
- ✓ form factor slopes for $K_L e3$ decays
- ✓ BR's and charge asymmetry for $K_S e3$
- ✓ precise measurement of $\Gamma(\pi^+\pi^-(\gamma))/\Gamma(\pi^0\pi^0)$
- ✓ absolute BR for $K^+ \rightarrow \mu\nu(\gamma)$ decay

Results announced at previous conferences

- ✓ preliminary result on form factor slopes for $K_L \mu3$ decays
- ✓ final results on absolute BR's of K_{l3}^\pm decays
- ✓ K^\pm lifetime from both decay length and timing measurements

Preliminary measurement announced at this conference

- ✓ absolute BR's of $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0(\gamma)$

... and more to come: $K_S \mu3$ decays, ff slopes for $K^\pm(l3)$ decays and analyze the whole data set

- ❖ Present accuracy on $|V_{us}|f_+(0)$ is $<0.3\%$ using KLOE results only