

$\pi\nu\nu$ From NA62 and KOTO

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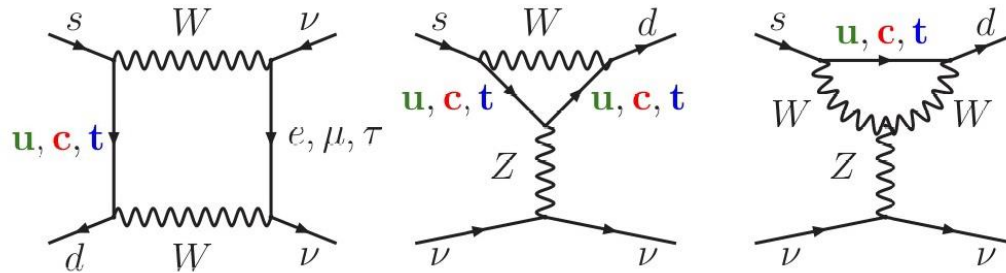


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- Review of the present experimental status of the $K \rightarrow \pi\nu\bar{\nu}$ decays
 - $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu\bar{\nu}$: NA62 experiment at CERN
 - $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu\bar{\nu}$: KOTO experiment at JPARC
- Future prospects on $K \rightarrow \pi\nu\bar{\nu}$

The $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ decays: a theoretical clean environment

- FCNC loop processes: $s \rightarrow d$ coupling and highest CKM suppression

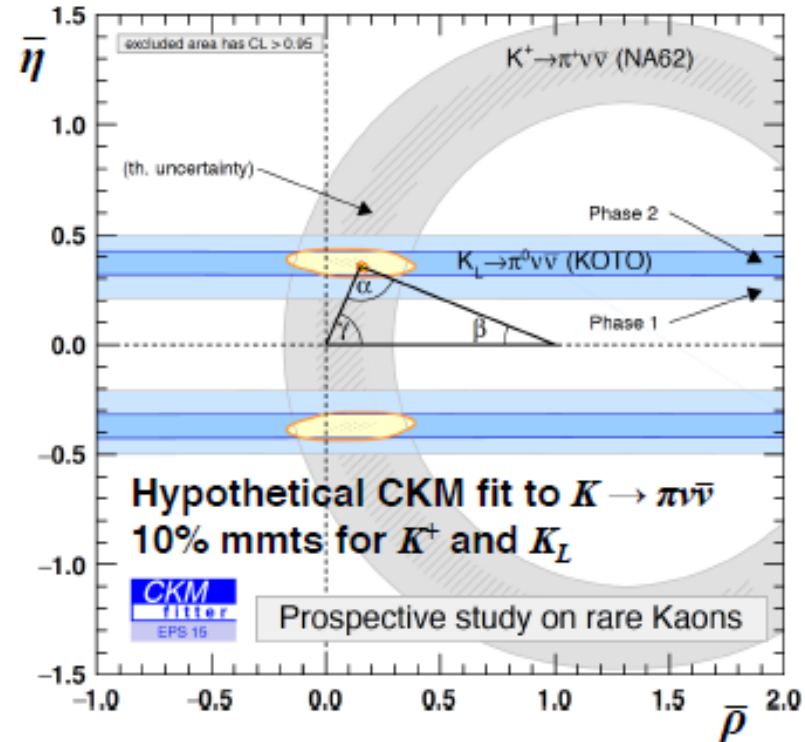
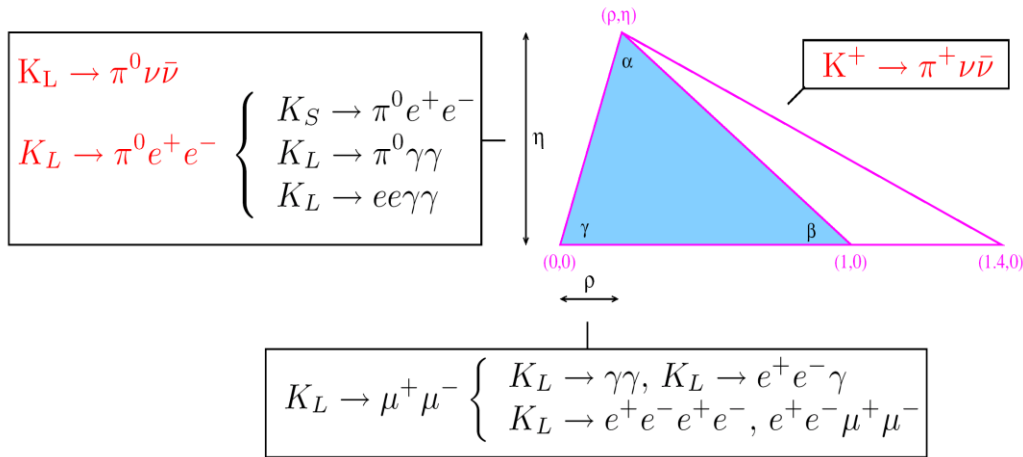


- Very clean theoretically: Short distance contribution. No hadronic uncertainties.
- SM predictions [Buras et al. JHEP 1511 (2015) 33]

$$\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (8.39 \pm 0.30) \cdot 10^{-11} \left(\frac{|V_{cb}|}{0.0407} \right)^{2.8} \left(\frac{\gamma}{73.2^\circ} \right)^{0.74} = (8.4 \pm 1.0) \cdot 10^{-11}$$

$$\text{BR}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) = (3.36 \pm 0.05) \cdot 10^{-11} \left(\frac{|V_{ub}|}{0.00388} \right)^2 \left(\frac{|V_{cb}|}{0.0407} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\sin \gamma}{\sin 73.2} \right)^2 = (3.4 \pm 0.6) \cdot 10^{-11}$$

Connection with Flavour Physics



K physics alone can fully constraint the CKM unitarity triangle.

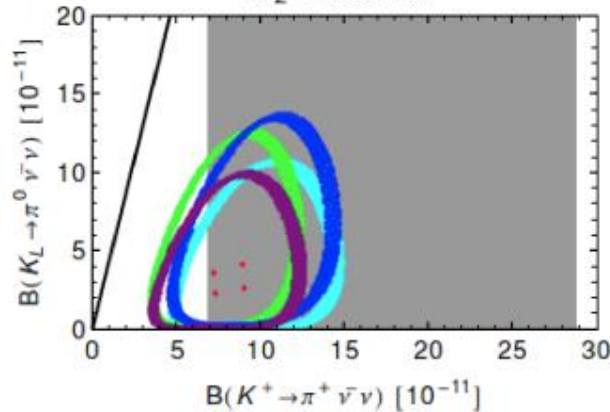
Comparison with B physics can provide description of NP flavour dynamics

$K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ NP Sensitivity

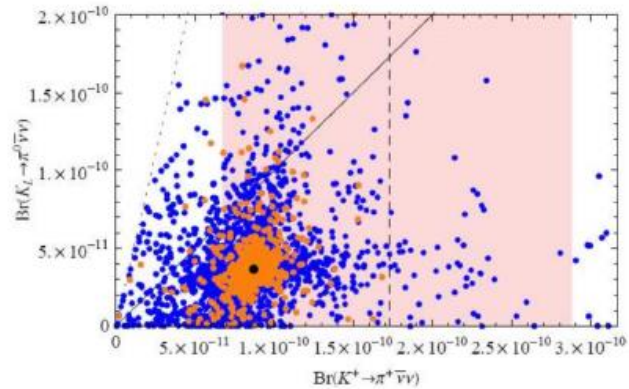
- Simplified Z, Z' models [Buras, Buttazzo, Kneijens, JHEP 1511 (2015) 166]
- Littlest Higgs with T-parity [Blanke, Buras, Recksiegel, EPJ C76 (2016) no.4 182]
- Custodial Randall-Sundrum [Blanke, Buras, Duling, Gemmler, Gori, JHEP 0903 (2009) 108]
- MSSM non-MFV [Tanimoto, Yamamoto arXiv:1603.0796, Isidori et al. JHEP 0608 (2006) 064]
- Constraints from existing measurements (correlations model dependent):
 - Kaon mixing and CPV, CKM fit, K,B rare meson decays, NP limits from direct searches

Z' model

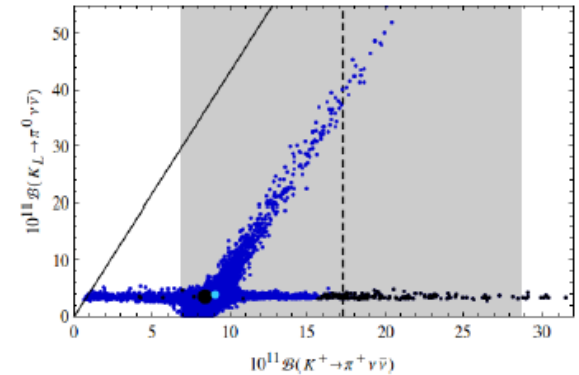
$M_{Z'} = 500 \text{ TeV}$



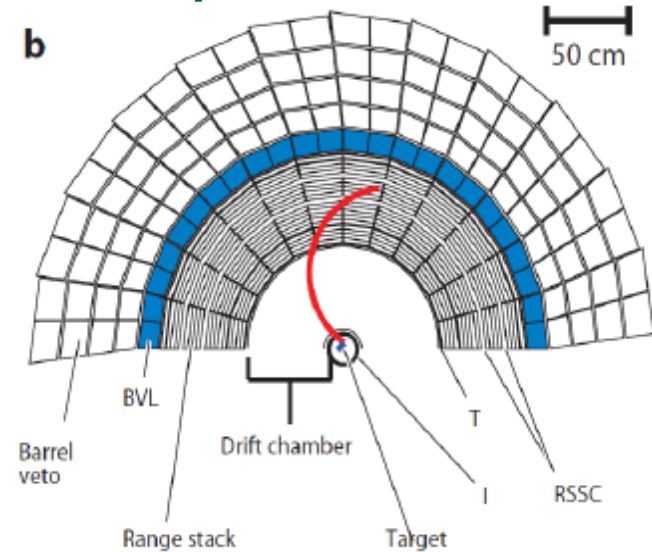
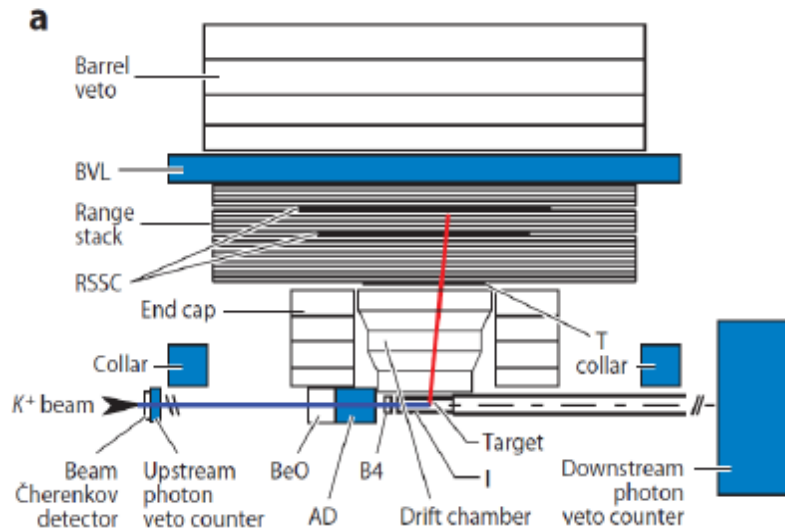
Randall - Sundrum



Littlest Higgs



$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$: E787 / E949

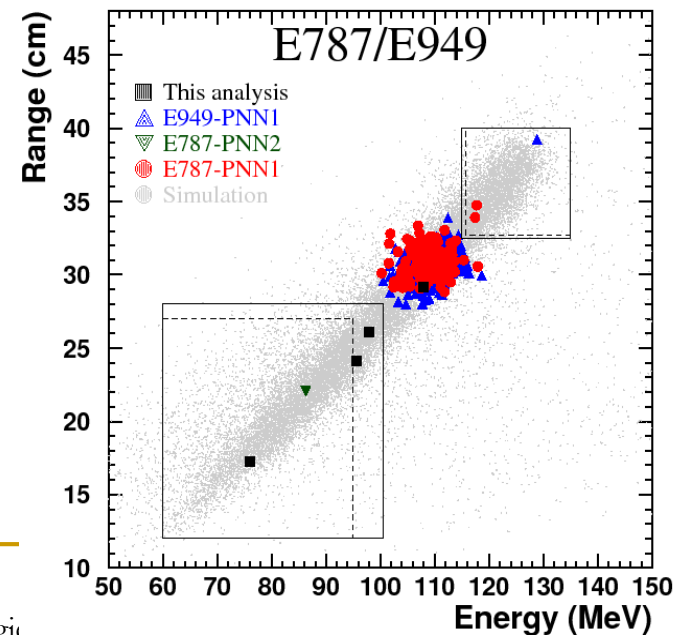


Signal efficiency: 3×10^{-3}

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

Phys. Rev. D 77, 052003 (2008)

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NA62 @ CERN - SPS

Birmingham, Bratislava, Bristol, Bucharest, CERN, Dubna (JINR), Fairfax, Ferrara, Florence, Frascati, Glasgow, Lancaster, Louvain-la-Neuve, Mainz, Merced, Moscow (INR), Naples, Perugia, Pisa, Prague, Protvino (IHEP), Rome I, Rome II, San Luis Potosi, Sofia, TRIUMF, Turin, Vancouver (UBC)



Primary goal:

$\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ precision $BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$

Requirements:

- Statistics: $\mathcal{O}(100)$ events
- K decays 10^{13}
- Signal acceptance $\sim 10\%$
- $>10^{12}$ background rejection

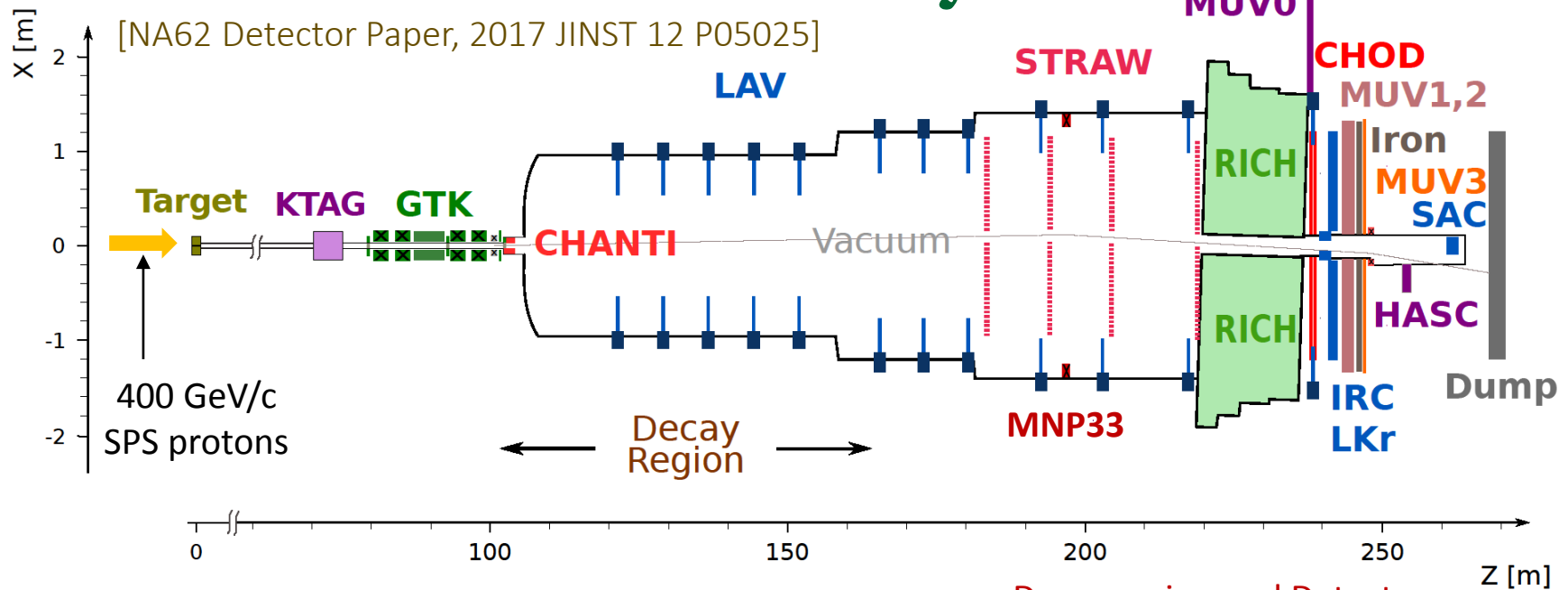
Technique:

K Decay – in – flight

Broader Physics program:

- LFV – LNV in K^+ decays
- Hidden sector particles searches

NA62 Layout



Secondary positive beam

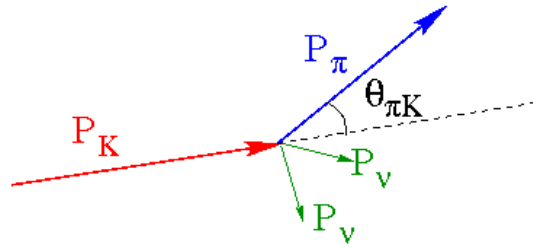
Momentum	75 GeV/c, 1% bite
Divergence (RMS)	100 μ rad
Transverse Size	60 \times 30mm ²
Composition	K ⁺ (6%)/ π^+ (70%)/p(24%)
Nominal Intensity	33 \times 10 ¹¹ ppp (750 MHz at GTK3)

Decay region and Detectors

Fiducial region	60 m
K ⁺ decay rate	\sim 5 MHz
Vacuum	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$ mbar
Si pixel beam tracker + Straw tracker	
LKr Calorimeter from NA48	
Cerenkov counter for K id, RICH for π/μ id	

NA62 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$: Analysis Method

$$m_{\text{miss}}^2 = (P_K - P_{\pi^+})^2$$



Process

Branching ratio

$$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$$

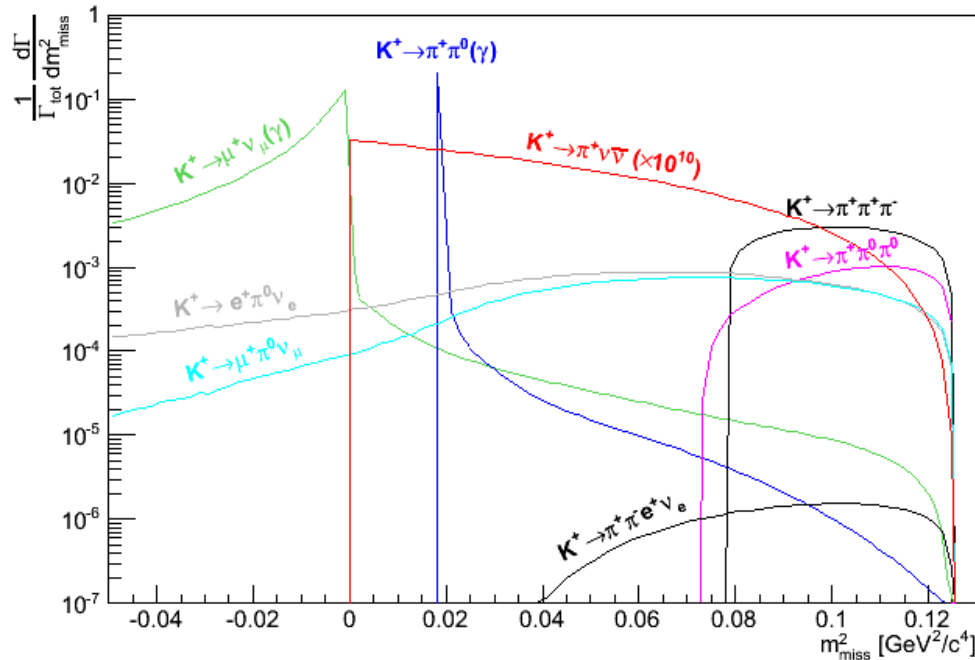
0.2066

$$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$$

0.6356

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

0.0558



$$15 < P_{\pi^+} < 35 \text{ GeV}/c$$

Particle ID (Cherenkov detectors)

Particle ID (Calorimeters)

Photon veto

+

NA62 Keystones

$\mathcal{O}(100 \text{ ps})$

Timing between sub-detectors

$\mathcal{O}(10^4)$

Background suppression from kinematics

$> 10^7$

Muon suppression

$> 10^7$

π^0 (from $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$) suppression

Analysis steps

- K^+ Decay Event
- Fiducial Decay Region
- Particle ID: π^+
- Photon rejection & Multiple charged particle rejection
- Kinematic Selection of the Signal Regions

NA62 Runs



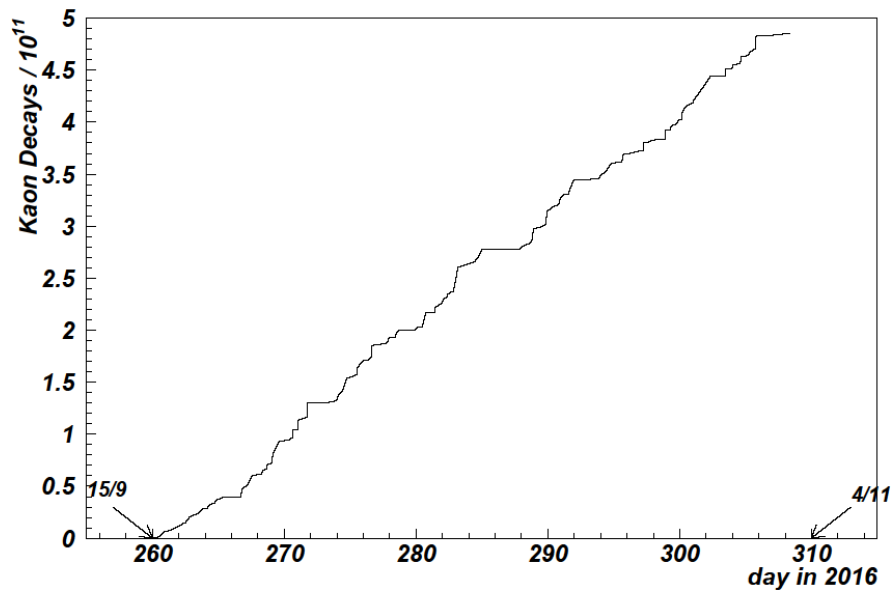
2014	Pilot run
2015	Commissioning run
2016	Commissioning + Physics run
2017	Physics run
2018	210 days Physics run scheduled

NA62 «Luminosity»

2016 run

13×10^{11} ppp on target (40% nominal)

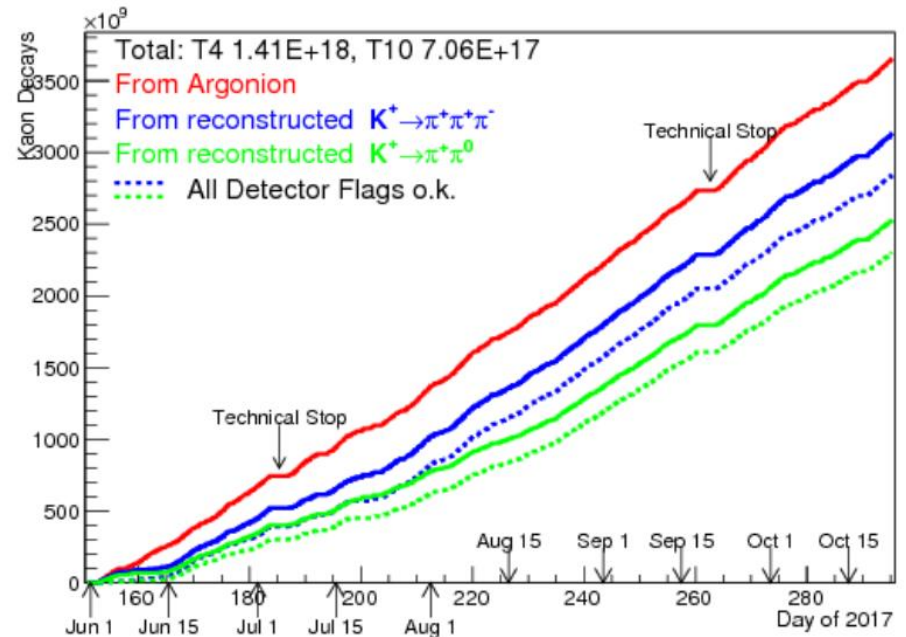
$\approx 2 \times 10^{11}$ K^+ decays useful for $\pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$



2017 run

20×10^{11} ppp on target (60% nominal)

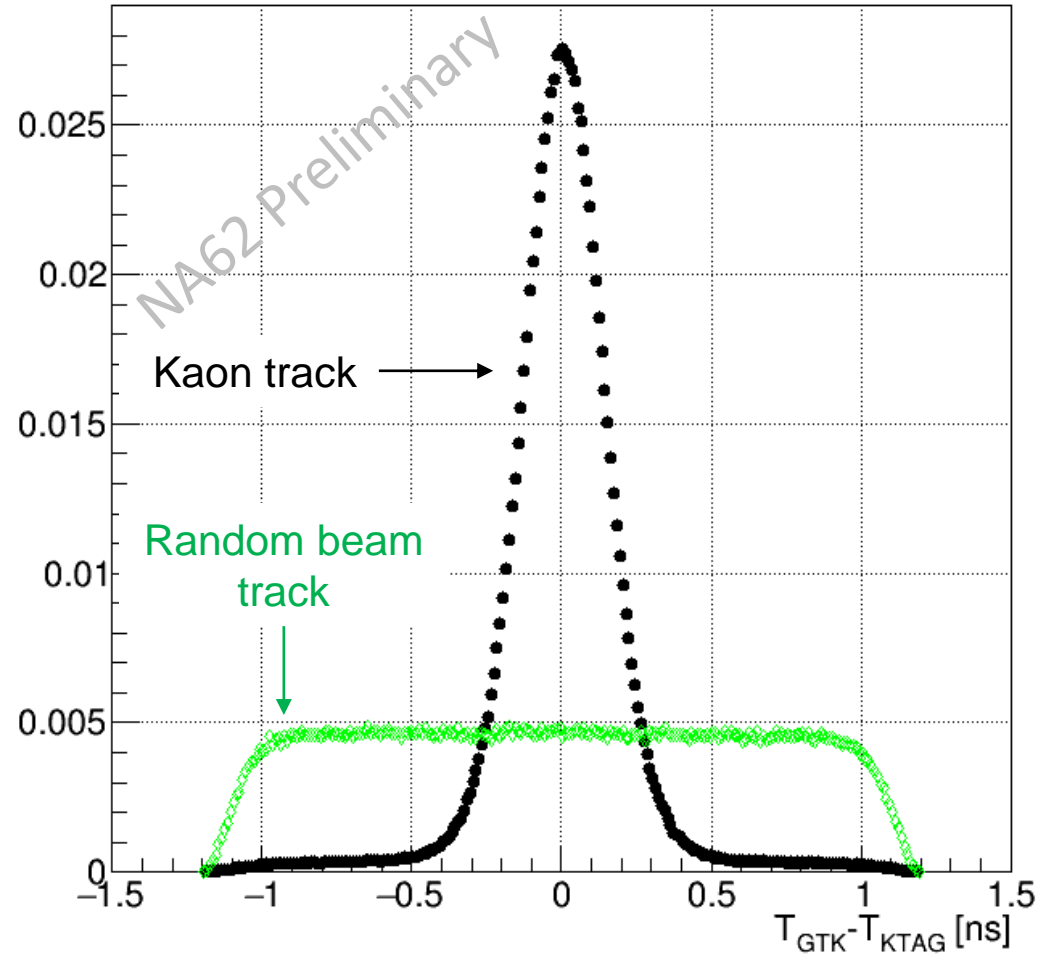
$2 \div 3 \times 10^{12}$ K^+ decays collected



Preliminary results of the analysis of 2×10^{10} K^+ decays from 2016 data presented [$\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ 2016 data]

NA62: K/ π matching

Sample of $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$



Timing π^+ :

$$\sigma(T_{\text{CHOD}}) \sim 250 \text{ ps}, \quad \sigma(T_{\text{RICH}}) \sim 150 \text{ ps}$$

Timing K^+ :

$$\sigma(T_{\text{KTAG}}) \sim 80 \text{ ps}, \quad \sigma(T_{\text{GTK}}) \sim 100 \text{ ps}$$

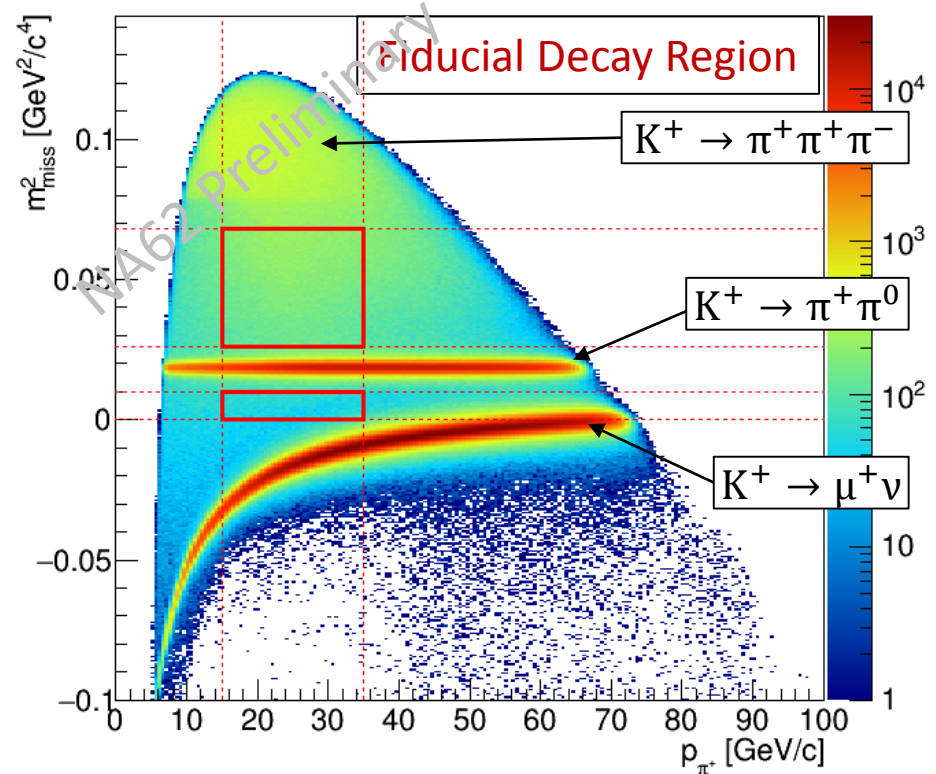
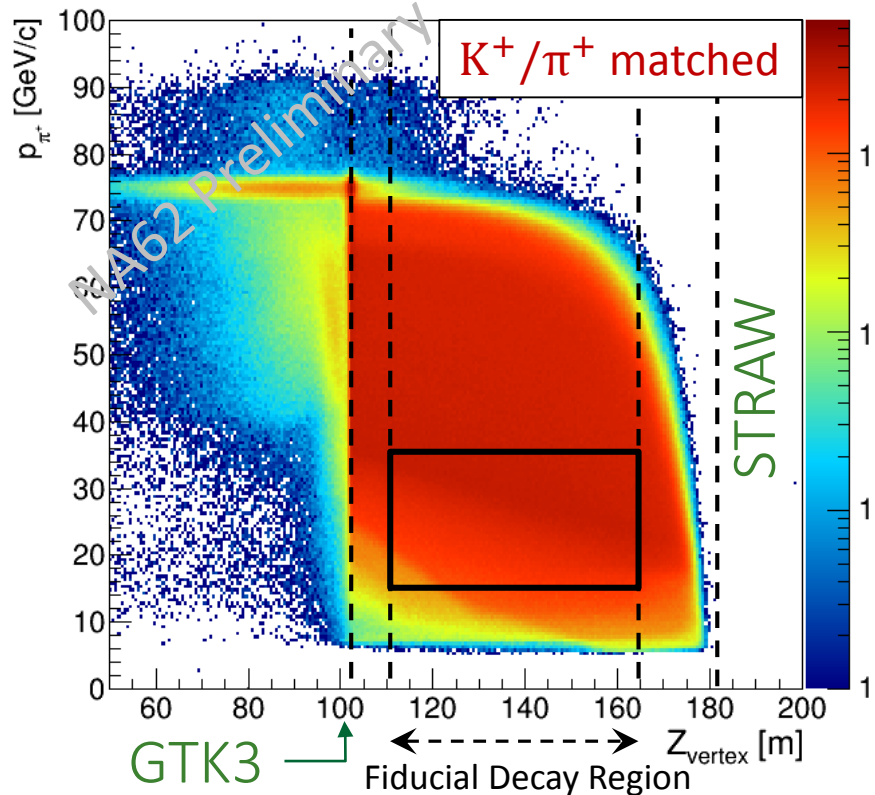
Spatial matching:

intersection of GTK and Straw track
 $\sigma(\text{CDA}) \sim 1.5 \text{ mm}$

Mis-tagging probability: $\sim 1.7\%$

[75% efficiency]

NA62: Signal Regions

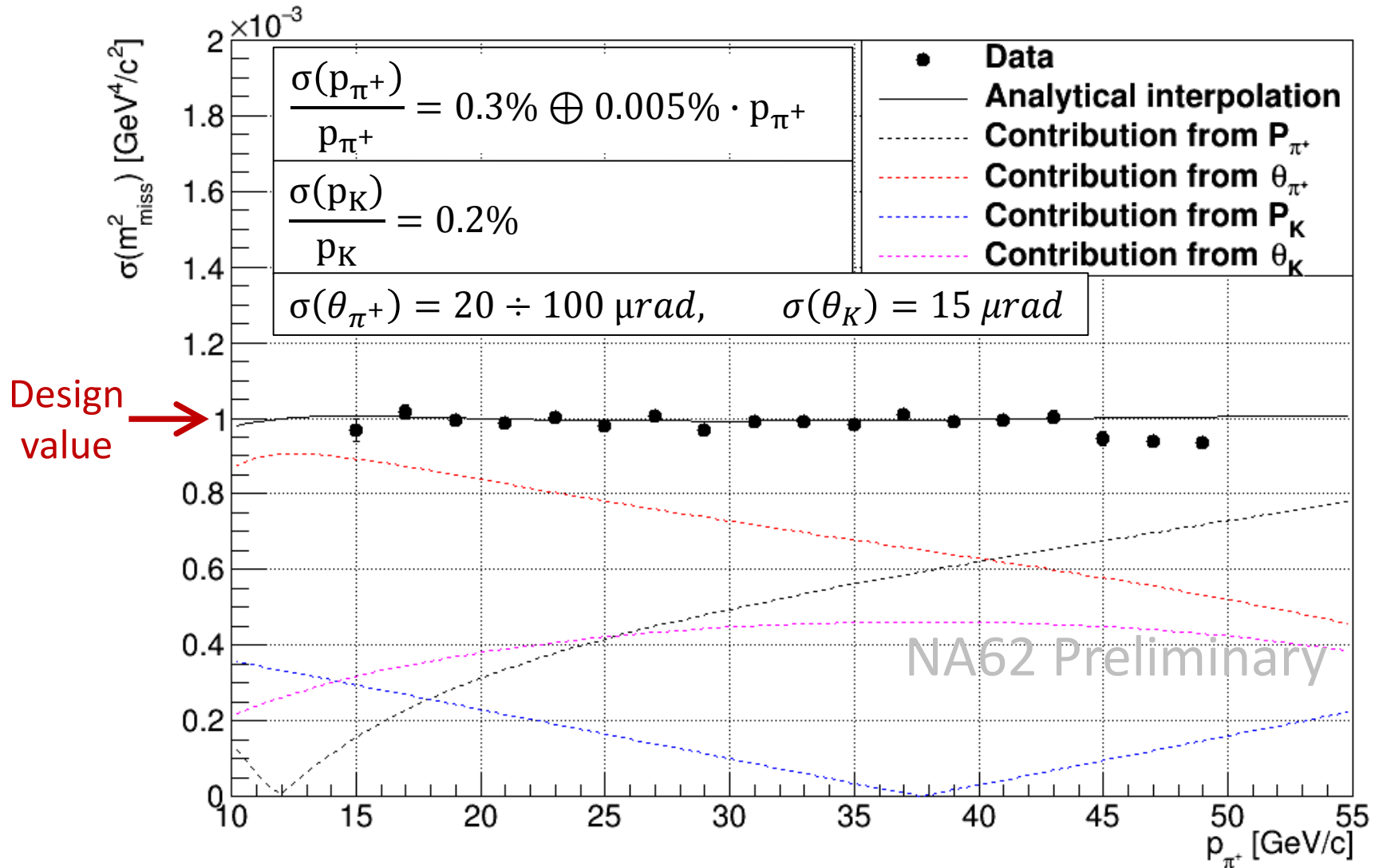


- K⁺ decays between GTK3 and Straw
- K⁺ decays before GTK3
- Beam particle interactions in GTK3

- Signal region defined by:

$$Z_{\text{vertex}} - p_{\pi^+} - m_{\text{miss}}^2$$

m_{miss}^2 Resolution



NA62: Kinematics and Backgrounds

$m_{\text{miss}}^2, p_{\pi^+}$

$m_{\text{miss}}^2(\text{RICH})$ p_{π^+} RICH (m_{π^+})

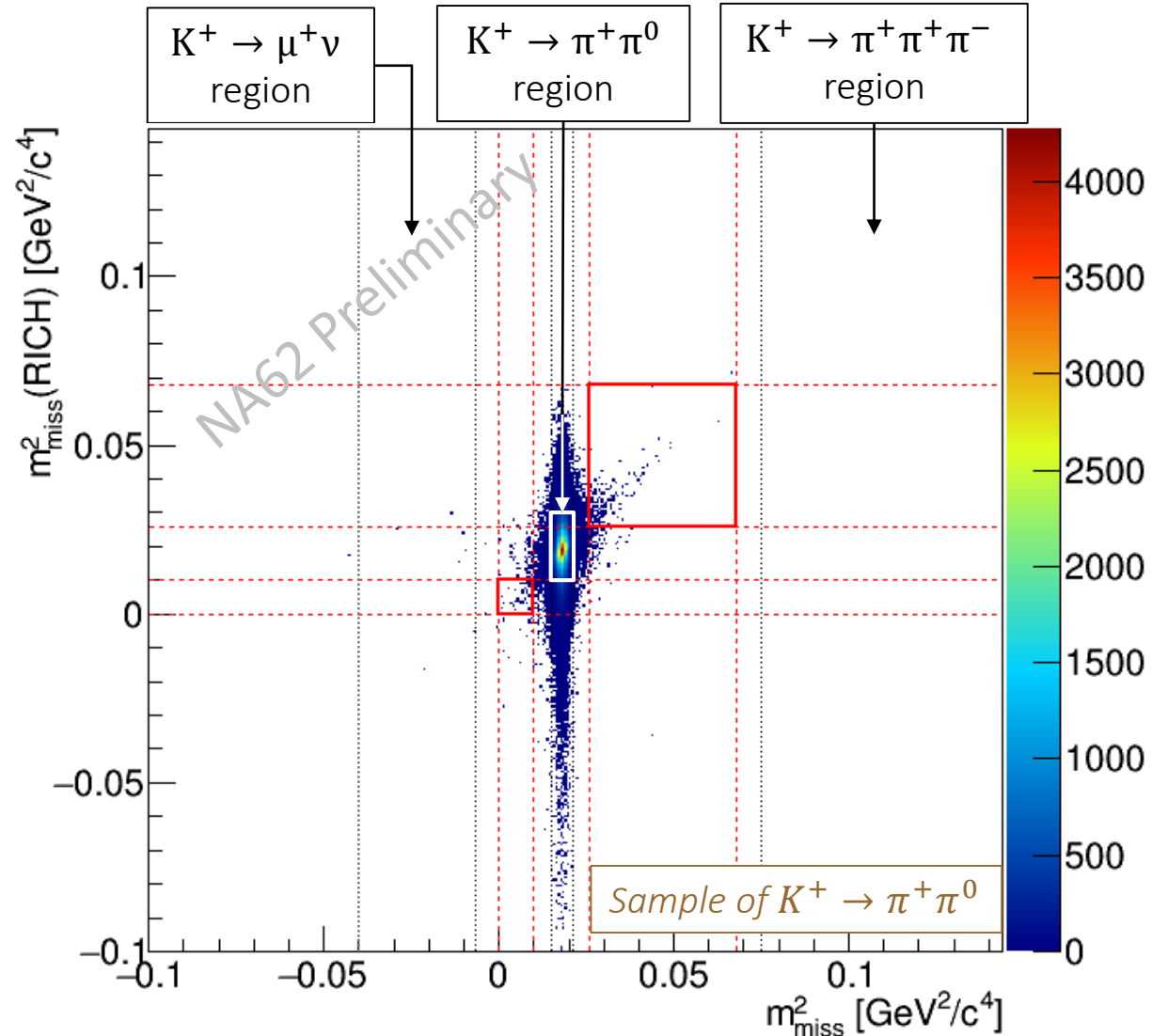
$m_{\text{miss}}^2(\text{No GTK})$ p_{K^+} nominal

Kinematical suppression

- Measured on data

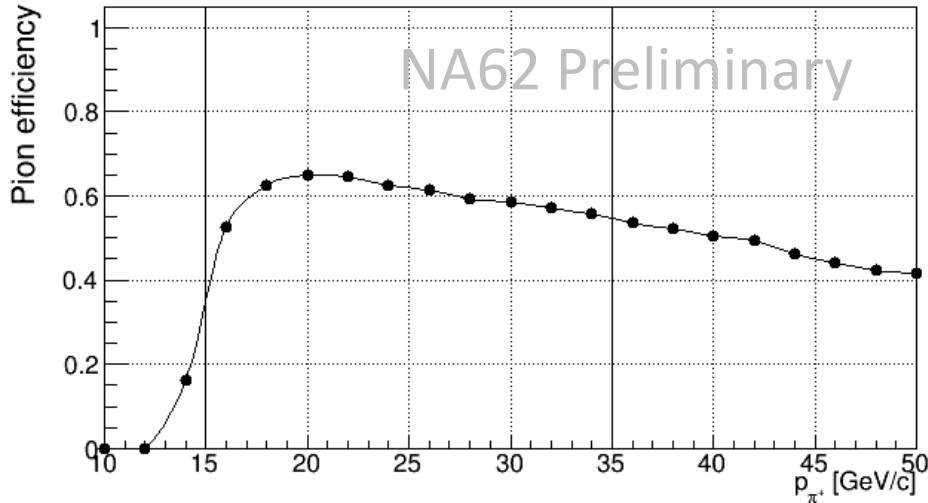
$$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 \quad \sim 6 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu \quad \sim 3 \times 10^{-4}$$



NA62 Particle ID: π^+ – μ^+ Separation

Minimum bias



Particle ID with calorimeters

$$\varepsilon(\mu) \div \varepsilon(\pi) \sim 10^{-5} \div 80\%$$

- MVA discriminant

Particle ID with RICH

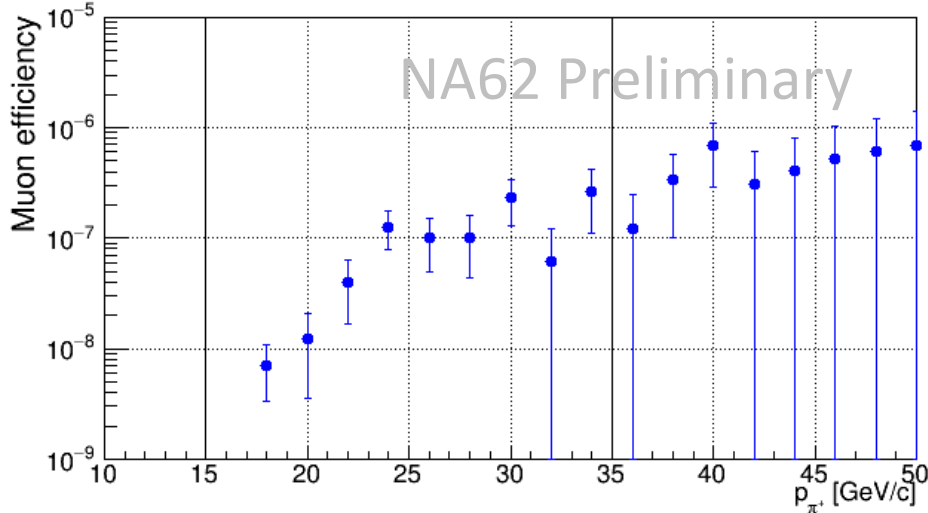
$$\varepsilon_{\text{ring}}(\pi) \sim 90\% \text{ [depends on } p_{\pi^+}]$$

$$\varepsilon(\mu) \div \varepsilon_{\text{ID}}(\pi) \sim 10^{-2} \div 80\%$$

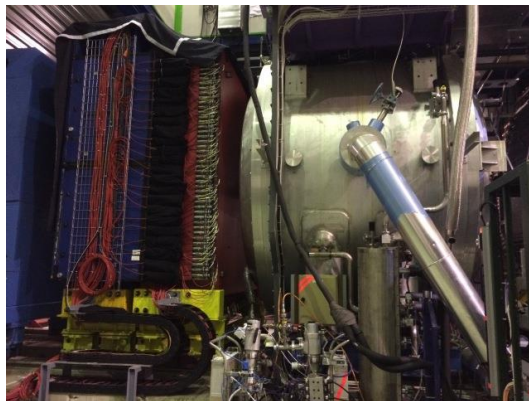
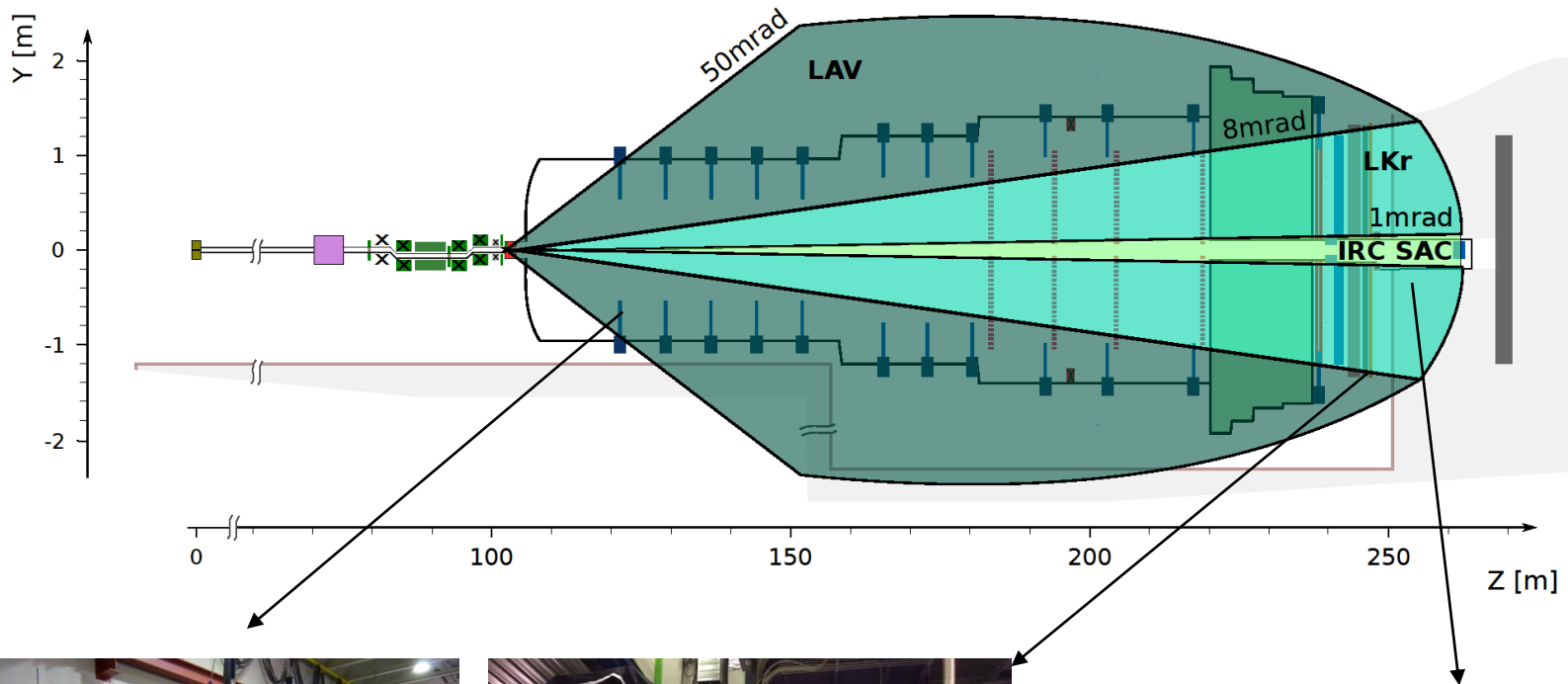
PID performance measurement:

- RICH and calorimeter combined

Minimum bias

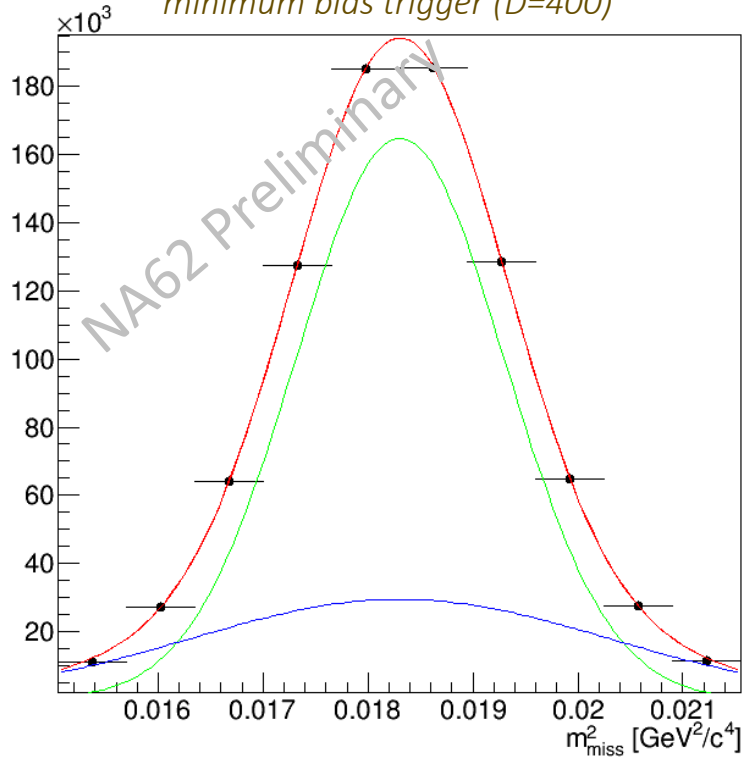


π^0 Rejection

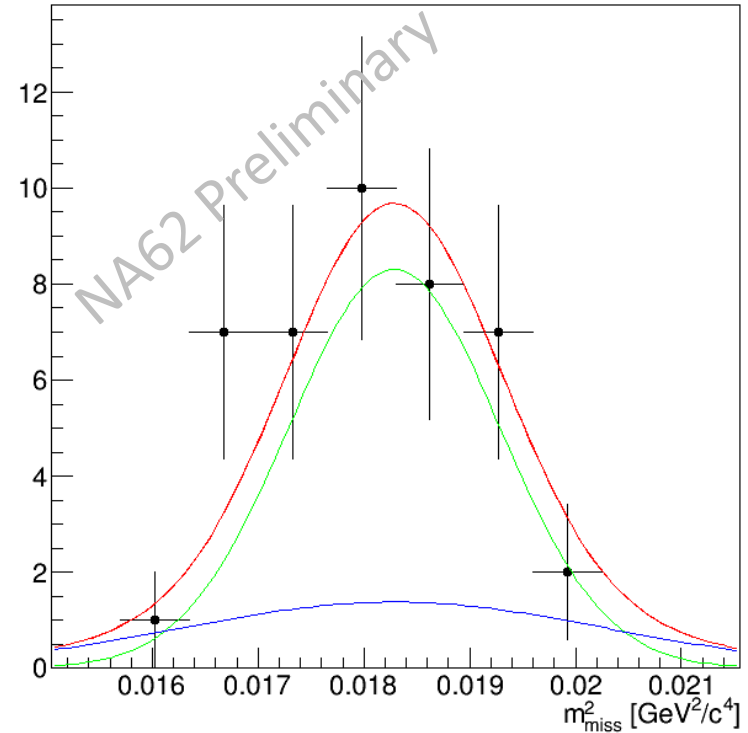


NA62 Photon Rejection

Before γ -reject.,
minimum bias trigger ($D=400$)



After γ -reject., PNN Trigger



Photon Veto conditions: LKr, LAV, IRC, SAC + multiplicity in CHOD

π^0 suppression (from $\pi^+\pi^0$)

$$\epsilon_{\pi^0} = (1.2 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-7}$$

[$0(10^{-8})$]

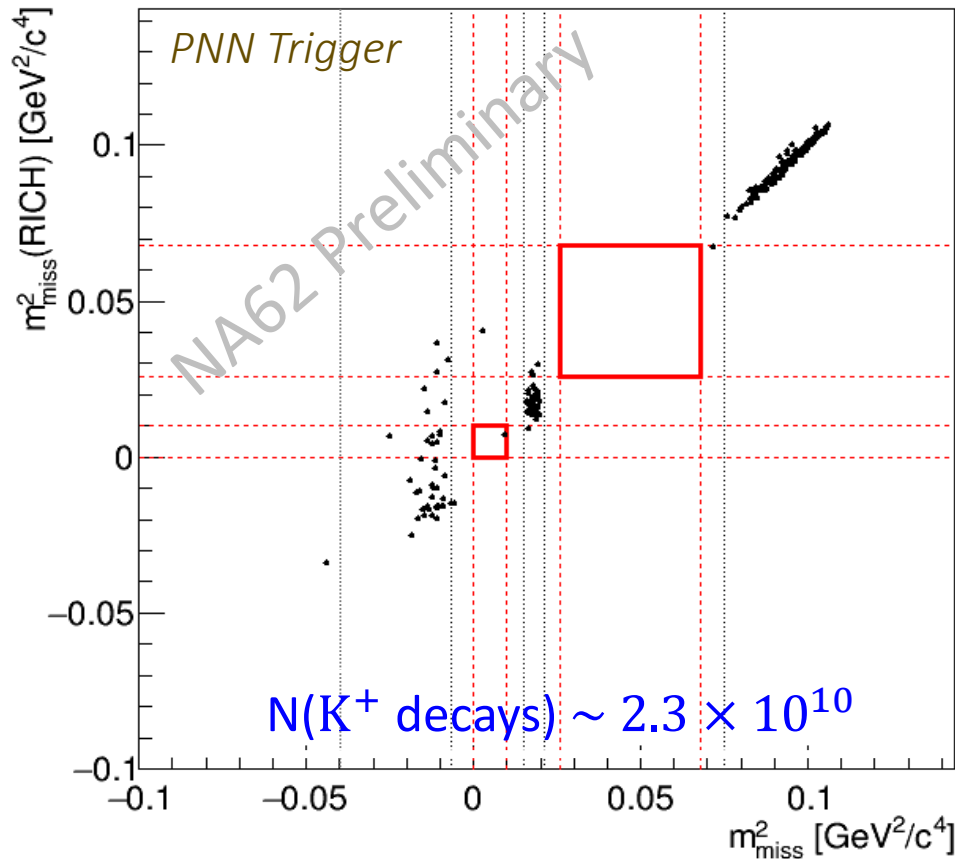
$\pi\nu\nu$ losses (random activity, π interactions)

15 %

$\sim 25 \div 30\%$

NA62 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ Preliminary Result

O(10%) 2016 statistics



Expected $\pi\nu\nu \approx \mathbf{0.064}$

- Normalization: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$

Expected backgrounds:

$$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 \quad 0.024$$

$$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu \quad 0.011$$

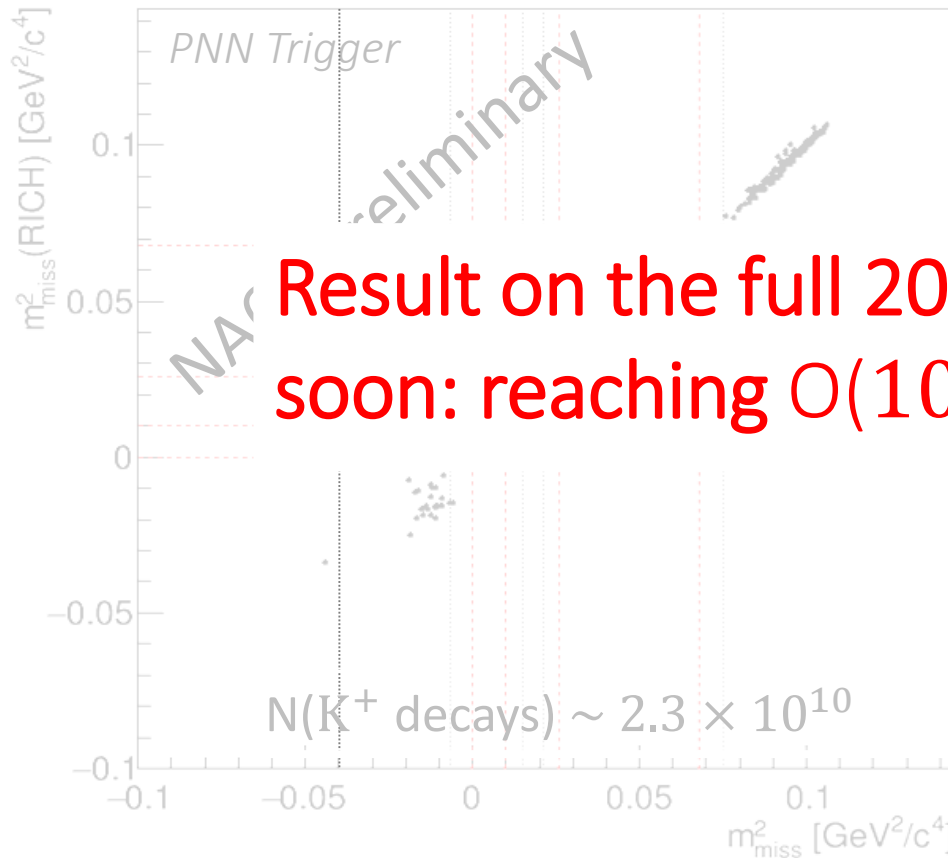
$$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \quad < 0.017$$

Beam - induced under study

- Estimated with data – driven methods
- Analysis on-going, further reduction of background expected

NA62 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ Preliminary Result

O(10%) 2016 statistics



Expected $\pi\nu \approx 0.064$

- Normalization: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$

Expected backgrounds:

Result on the full 2016 data expected soon: reaching $O(10^{-10})$ SES

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Beam - induced under study

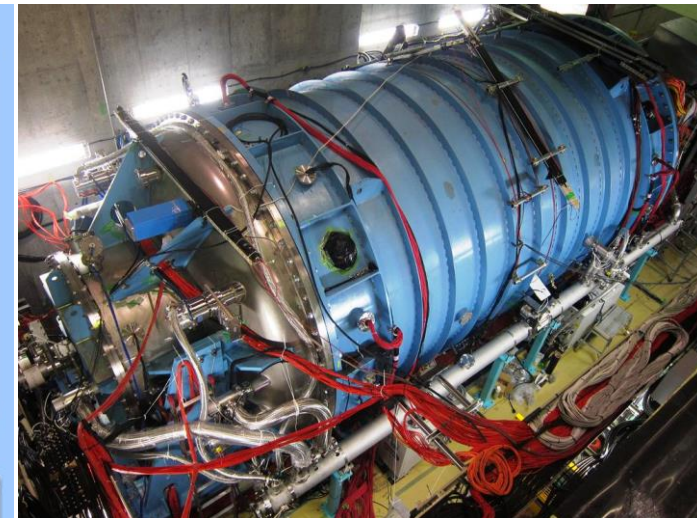
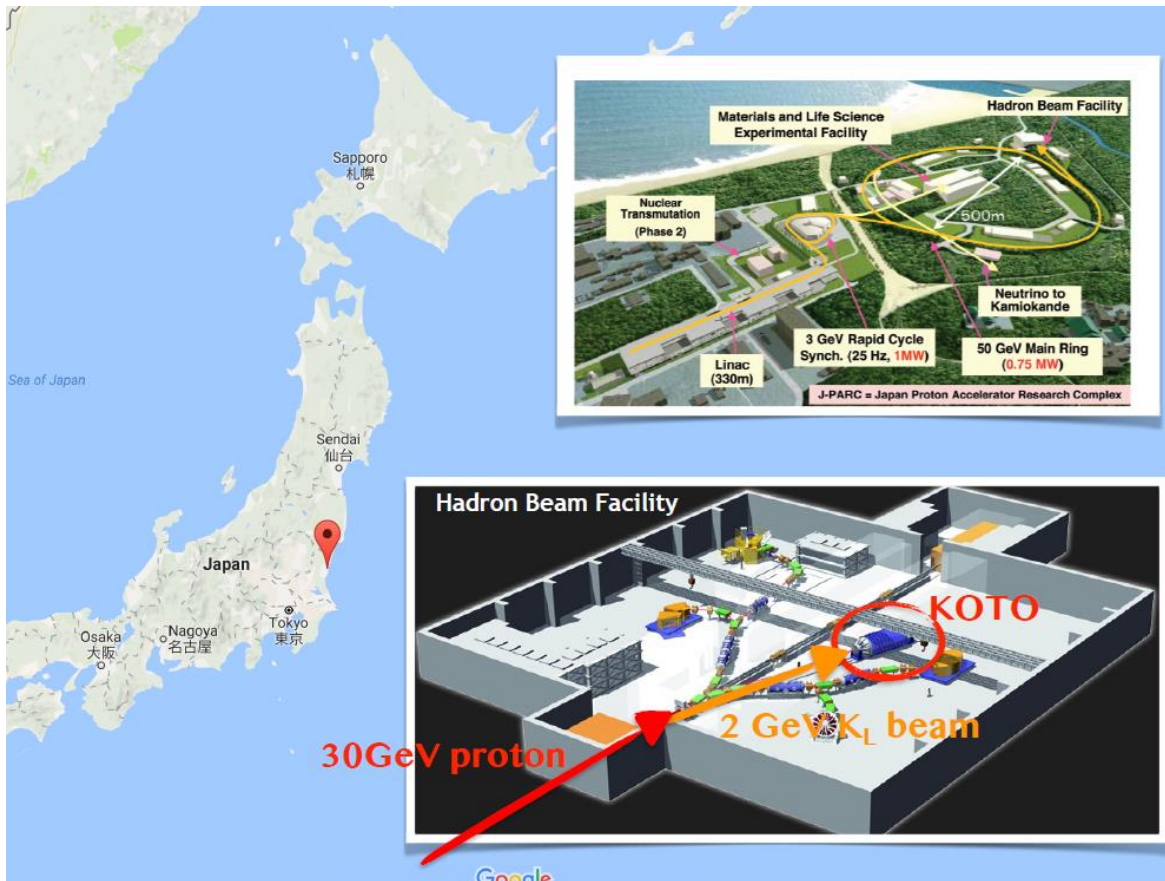
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NA62 Prospects

Accelerator schedule	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
LHC		Run 2			LS2			Run 3		
SPS										NA stop

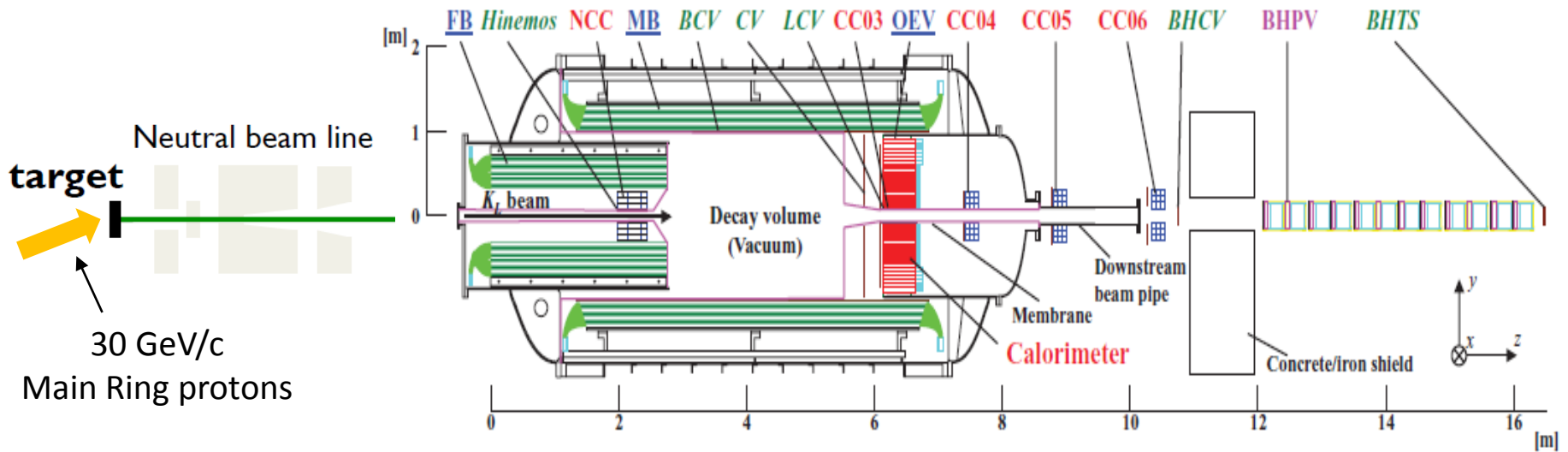
- Completion of the 2016 data analysis: $O(10^{-10})$ SES
- 2017 5-months run: order of magnitude improvement vs 2016
- 2018: 200 days run allocated (starting in April).

Goal of KOTO: Observe few SM $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ events



Arizona, Chicago, Chonbuk, Hanyang, Jeju, JINR, KEK, Kyoto, Michigan, NDA, NTU, Okayama, Osaka, Pusan, Saga, Yamagata

KOTO Layout



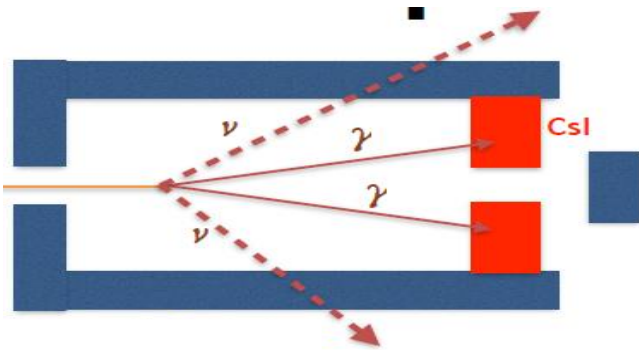
Secondary neutral beam

Momentum	1.4 GeV/c peak
Angle of production	16°
Transverse Size	$80 \times 80 \text{ mm}^2$
Composition	K_L , neutron, photons
Intensity (2013)	3×10^{13} ppp on target (25 kW)
Intensity (2015/16)	30 / 42 kW

Decay region and Detectors

Fiducial region	$\sim 3 \text{ m}$
Vacuum	$5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mbar}$
Calorimeter	CSl Calorimeter from KTeV
Hermetic γ - veto	to suppress $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$
Waveform digitizer	

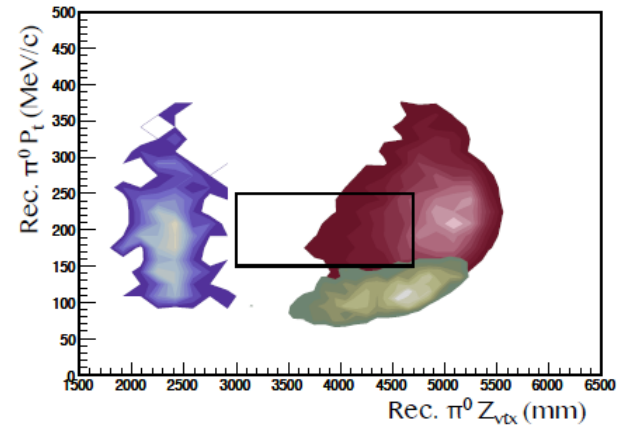
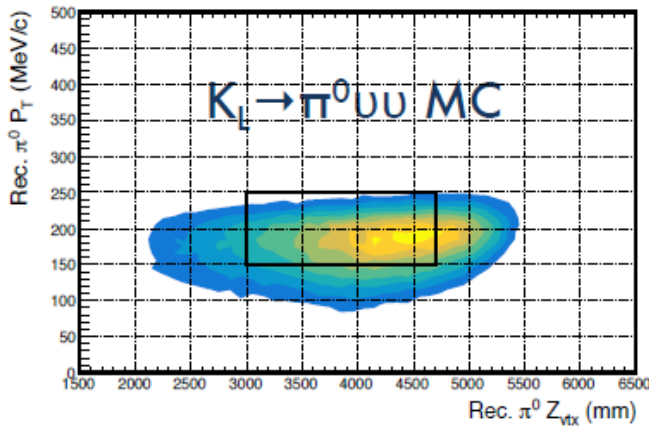
$\pi\nu\nu$ Analysis: the Method



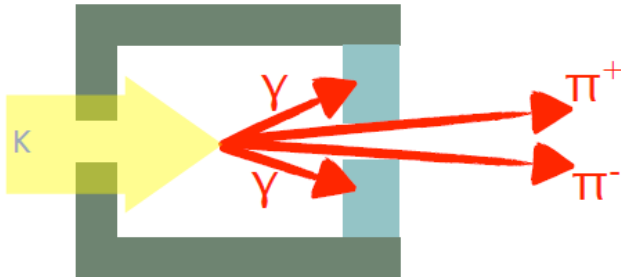
$$M_{\pi^0}^2 = (E_1 + E_2)^2 - (\vec{P}_1 + \vec{P}_2)^2$$

$$= 2E_1E_2 - 2E_1E_2 \cos \theta$$

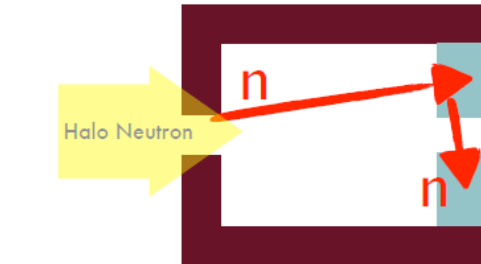
$$\cos \theta = 1 - \frac{M_{\pi^0}^2}{2E_1E_2}$$



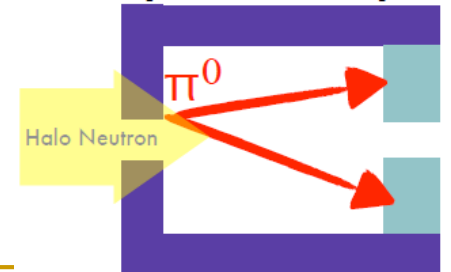
Particles missing in the downstream gap



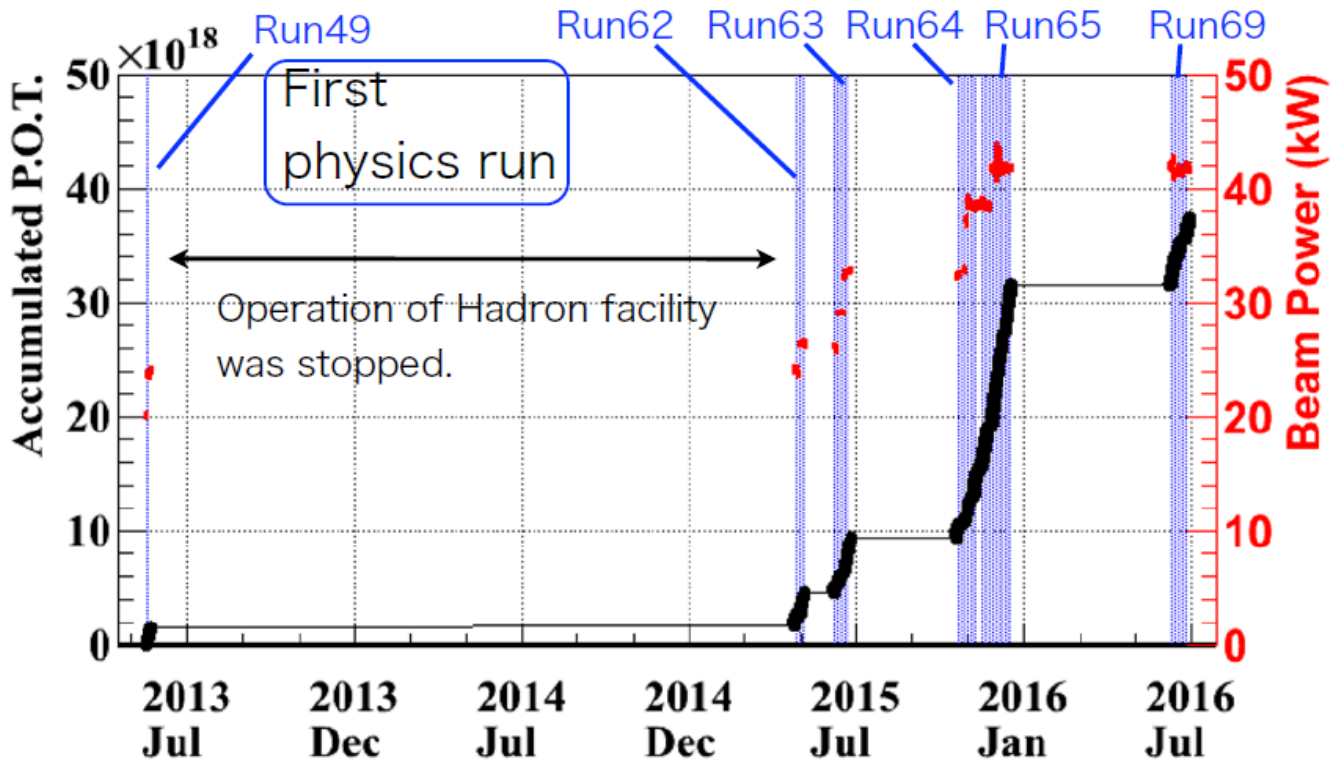
Neutron directly hit on CsI



Pion produced at detector upstream



KOTO Runs



2013

First physics result [PTEP 2017, 021C01]

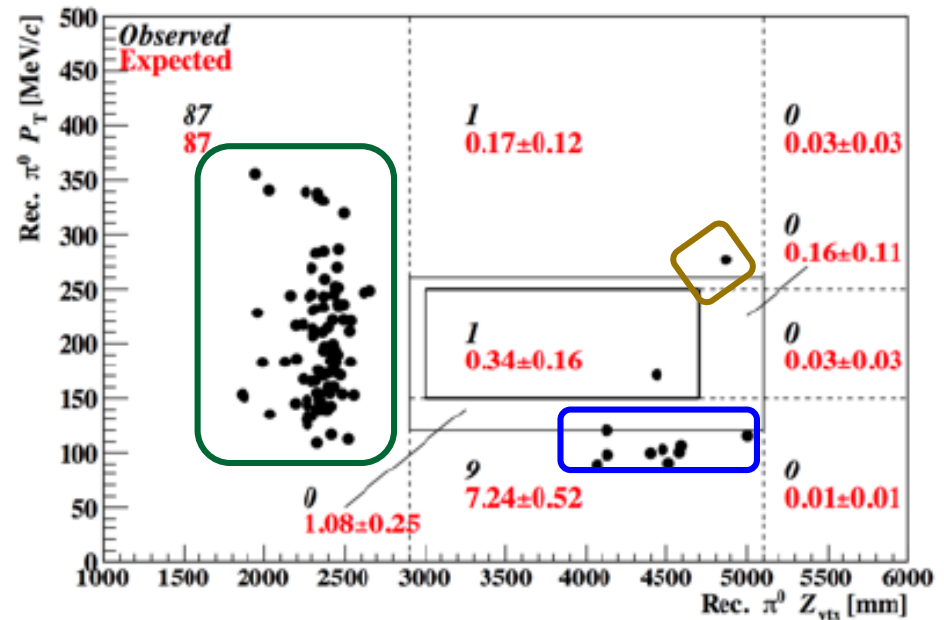
2015 - 2016

20 \times statistics of 2013 run

KOTO 2013 Result

- Data from 2013 run: $N(K_L) \sim 2.4 \times 10^{11}$, S.E.S 1.3×10^{-8}
- $BR(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) < 5.1 \times 10^{-8}$ (90% C.L.) [PTEP 2017, 021C01]
- Background in signal region dominated by neutrons

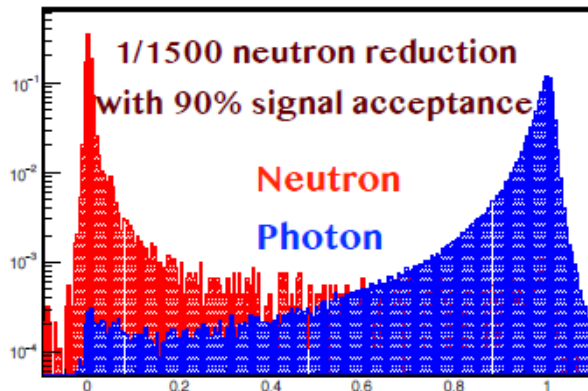
Background source	Number of events
$K_L \rightarrow 2\pi^0$	0.047 ± 0.033
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	0.002 ± 0.002
$K_L \rightarrow 2\gamma$	0.030 ± 0.018
Pileup of accidental hits	0.014 ± 0.014
Other K_L background	0.010 ± 0.005
Halo neutrons hitting NCC	0.056 ± 0.056
Halo neutrons hitting the calorimeter	0.18 ± 0.15
Total	0.34 ± 0.16



KOTO After 2013

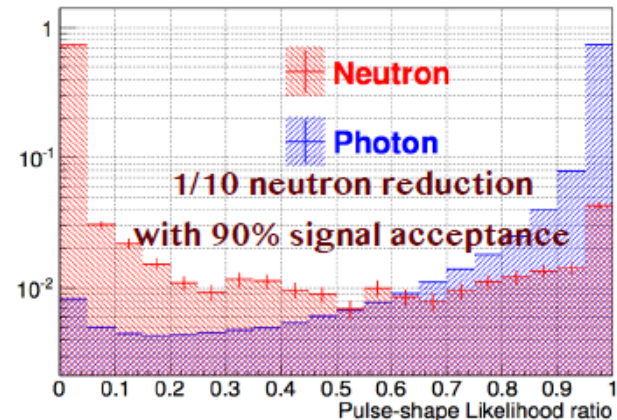
- Thinner vacuum window, collimator realignment: reduction of π^0 from neutrons
- Beam pipe charged veto: 1/10 reduction of $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$
- Special run with Al target to collect neutron – enriched events
- Better Photon – neutron identification in CsI calorimeter

• Cluster Shape Discrimination



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• Pulse Shape Discrimination

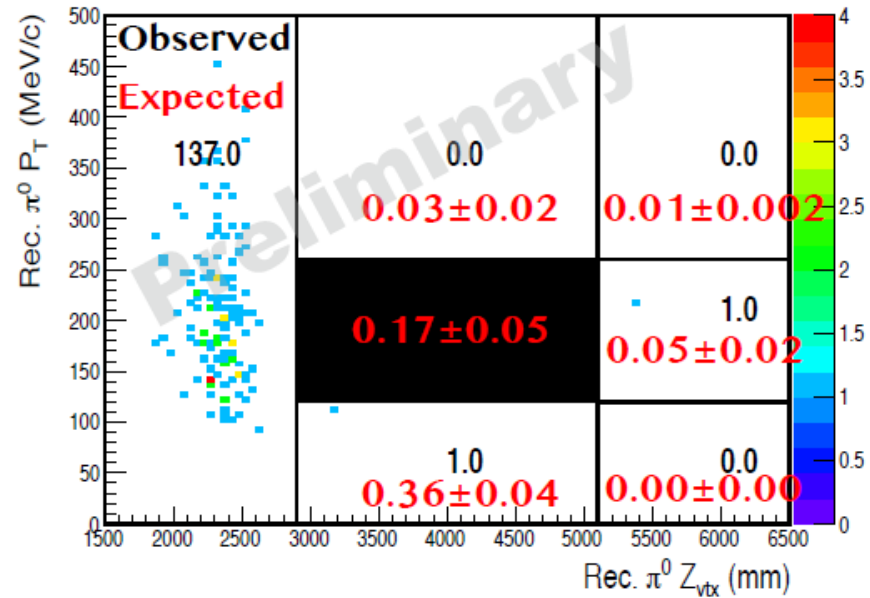


× 5 reduction of neutron background vs 2013 data analysis

KOTO 2015 Analysis

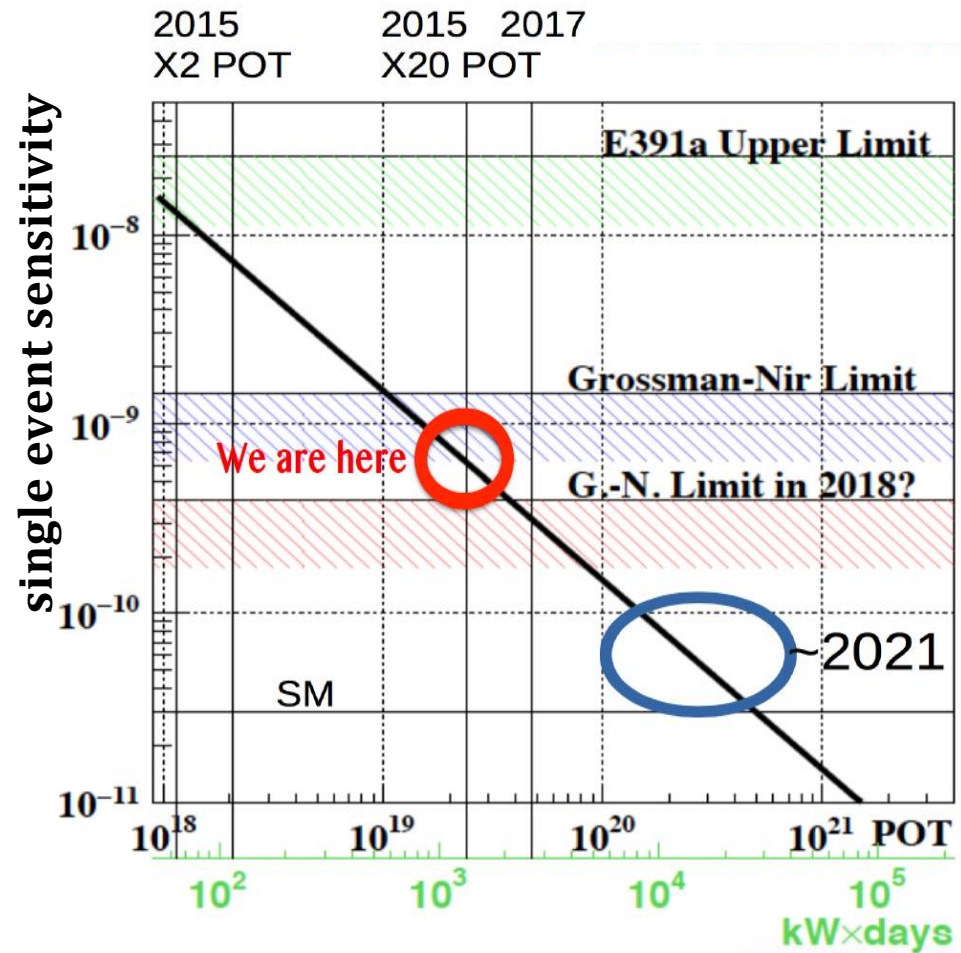
- Small subsample of 2015-2016 statistics analysed (run62)
- $N(K_L) \sim \times 1.6$ of the 2013 run
- Wider signal region thanks to the better γ rejection: +40% signal acceptance
- $S.E.S. \sim 5.9 \times 10^{-9}$

BG in Box	#BG
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$	0.04 ± 0.03
$K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	0.04 ± 0.01
Upstream Events	0.04 ± 0.04
Neutron Events	0.05 ± 0.02
Other BG	Under Estimation

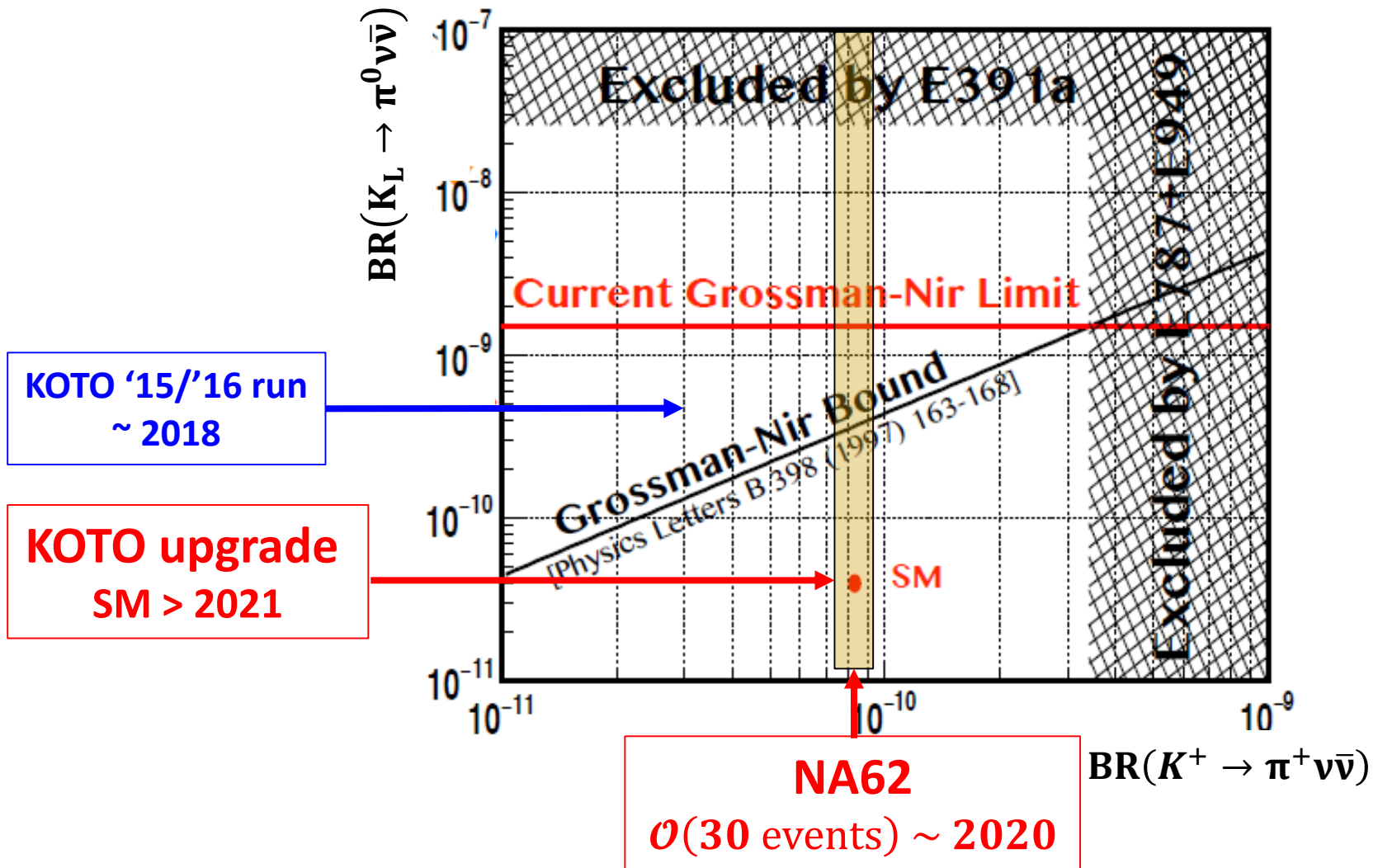


KOTO Prospects

- 2015 – 2016 analysis: $< 10^{-9}$ S.E.S.
- Upgrades to reach SM
 - New barrel detector (April 2016)
 - Beam pipe modification (on going)
 - CsI both end readout (MPPC, 2018)
 - JPARC 42 kW \rightarrow 100 kW (2019)



$K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ Prospects



Conclusions

Kaon experiments NA62 at CERN and KOTO at JPARC are exploring physics beyond SM primarily via $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ for $10 - 10^3$ TeV scale:

- $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$: NA62 expected to reach the SM sensitivity soon; BR measurement expected in the next few years
- $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$: KOTO expected to reach $< 10^{-9}$ sensitivity soon; SM sensitivity expected by 2021.

Both experiments are running and data analysis on-going