



Hadron physics results at KLOE-2 experiment

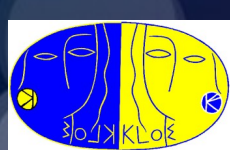
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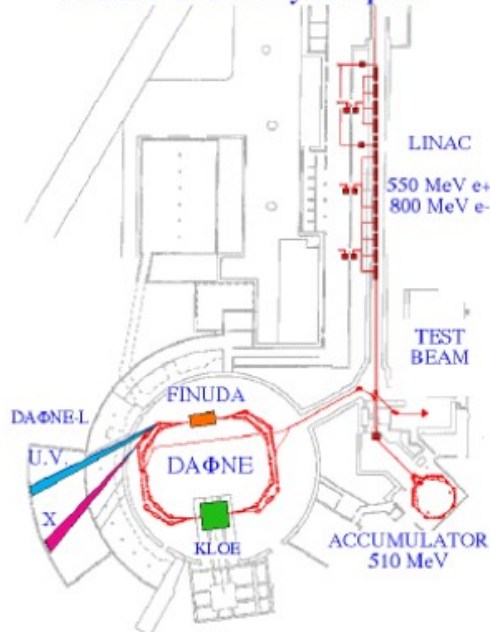
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 - Search for $\phi \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $\phi \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-$ decays
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 - ω cross section measurement in the $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \gamma_{\text{ISR}}$
- Summary



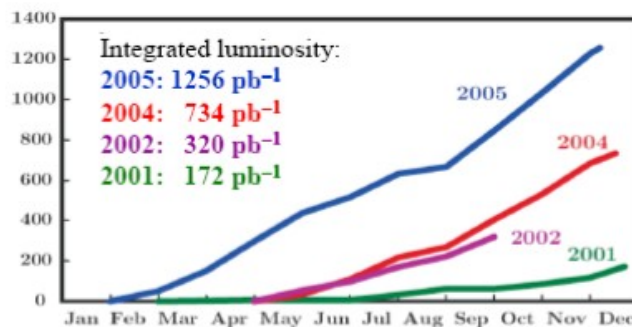
KLOE @ DAΦNE



Frascati Φ -Factory complex



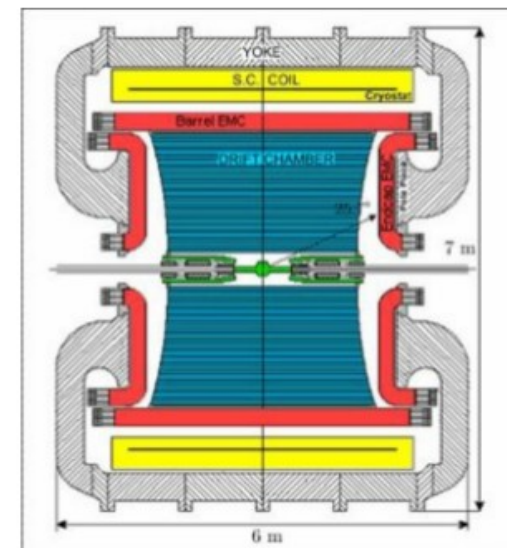
- $e^+ e^-$ collider $\sqrt{s} = M_\phi = 1019.4$ MeV
- 2 interaction regions
- $e^+ e^-$ separated rings
- 105 + 105 bunches spaced by 2.7 ns

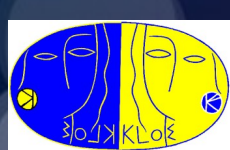


- **Drift Chamber**
- Low-mass gas mixture 90% Helium + 10% isobutane
- $\delta p_\perp / p_\perp < 0.4\%$ ($\theta > 45^\circ$)
- $\sigma_{xy} = 150 \mu\text{m}$; $\sigma_z = 2 \text{ mm}$
- 12582 cells
- Stereo geometry
- 4m diameter, 3.3m long

- **Calorimeter**
- 98% coverage full solid angle
- $\sigma_E/E = 5.7\% / \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}$
- $\sigma_T = 57 \text{ ps} / \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})} \oplus 140 \text{ ps}$
- Barrel + 2 end-caps:
 - Pb/scintillating fiber read out by 4880 PMTs

Magnetic field $B = 0.52 \text{ T}$

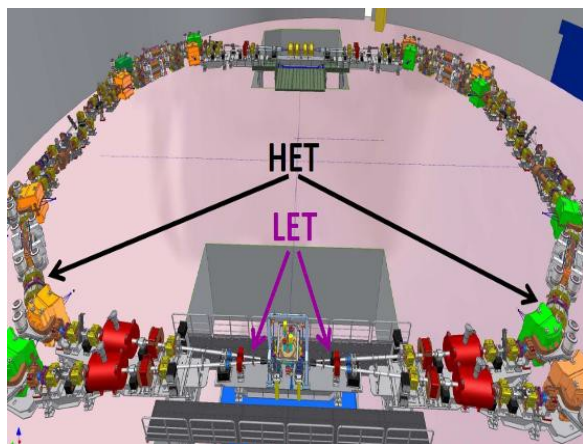
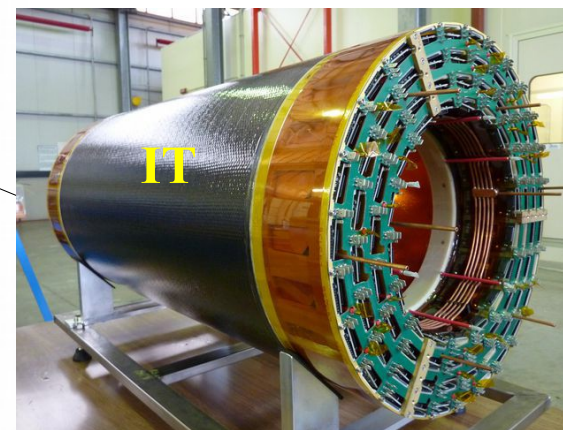
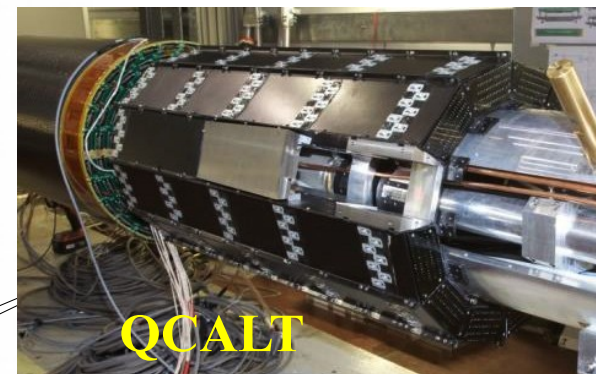
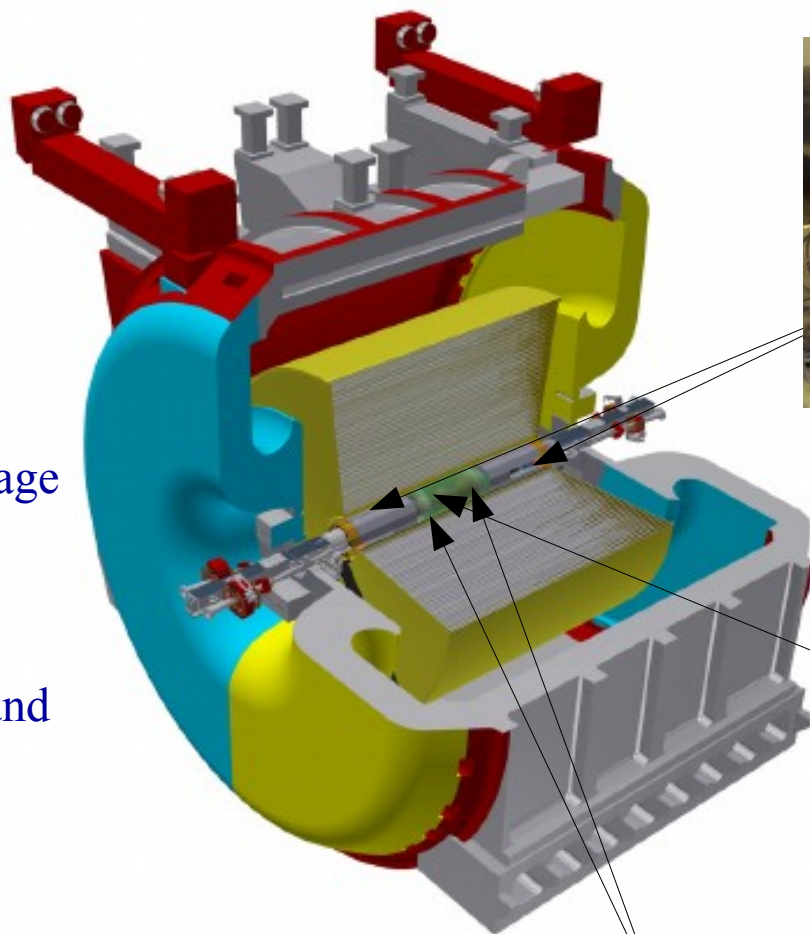


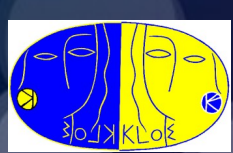


KLOE-2



- LET (Low Energy Tagger) & HET (High Energy Tagger)
 - e^+e^- -taggers for $\gamma\gamma$ -physics
- CCALT & QCALT
 - 2 new calorimeters (for low angle γ s & quadrupole coverage from K_L decays)
- IT (Inner Tracker)
 - 4 layers of C-GEM
 - better vertex reconstruction and Track parameters

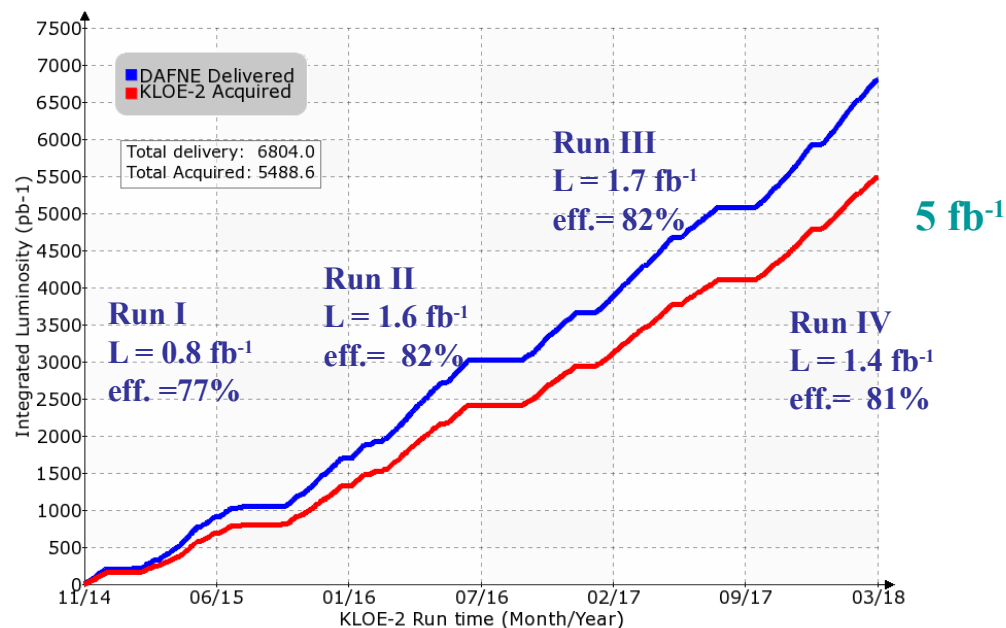




KLOE/KLOE-2 Experiment



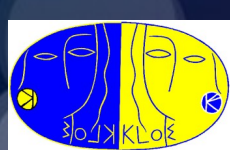
- 1999: KLOE experiment starts
- 2000 – 2006: KLOE data-taking campaign
 - $2.5 \text{ fb}^{-1} @ \sqrt{s} = M_\phi$
 - + 250 pb^{-1} off-peak @ $\sqrt{s} = 1000 \text{ MeV}$
- 2008: DAΦNE upgrade: new interaction scheme
- Dec.2012-July 2013: installation of the new detectors
- 2014-2018: KLOE-2 data-taking campaign



5.5 fb^{-1} collected @ $\sqrt{s} = M_\phi$

**KLOE + KLOE-2 data sample
~ 8 fb^{-1} represents the largest sample
collected at a Φ -factory**

About 2.4×10^{10} Φ -mesons



KLOE-2 Physics Program



Light meson Physics:

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

Dark force searches:

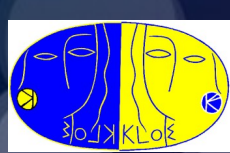
- Improve limits on
 $U\gamma$ associate production
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow U\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi\gamma, \mu\mu\gamma$
- Higgsstrahlung:
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow Uh' \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- + \text{miss. energy}$
- Leptophobic B boson search:
 $\phi \rightarrow \eta B, B \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma, \eta \rightarrow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

Kaon Physics:

- CPT and QM tests with kaon interferometry
- Direct T and CPT tests using entanglement
- CP violation and CPT test:
 $K_S \rightarrow 3\pi^0$
direct measurement of $\text{Im}(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$
- CKM V_{us} :
 K_S semileptonic decays and A_S
(CP and CPT test)
 $K_{\mu 3}$ form factors, K_{l3} radiative corrections
- χpT : $K_S \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- Search for rare K_S decays

Hadronic cross section:

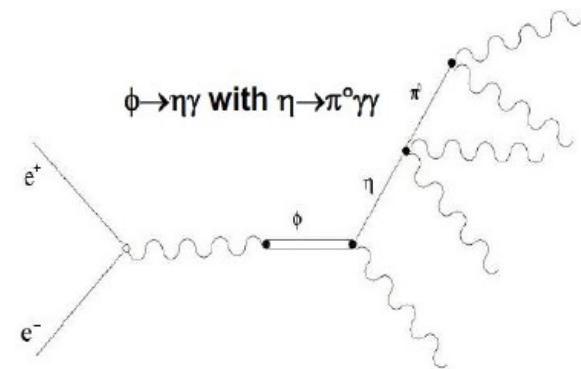
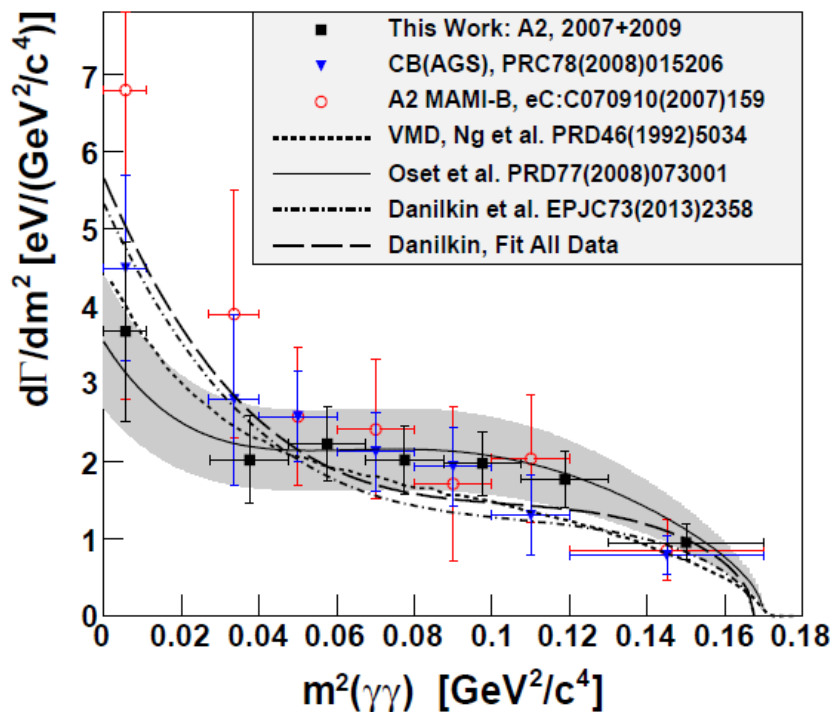
- ISR studies with $3\pi, 4\pi$ final states
 - F_π with increased statistics
- Measurement of a_μ^{HLO} in the space-like region using Bhabha process



$$\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$$



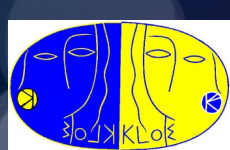
- $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ (from $\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$): χ PT golden mode,
- O(p2) null, O(p4) suppressed $\Rightarrow$ sensitive to O(p6)
- Mass of non- π^0 photons can be used as a test of theoretical model



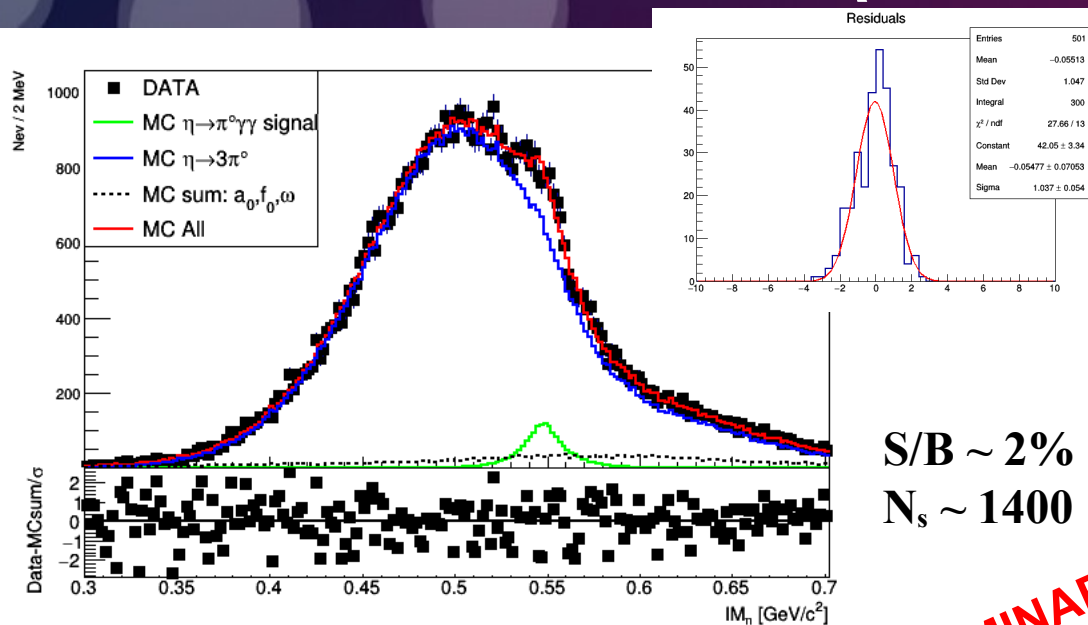
Previous measurements:

- $\text{BR} = (22.1 \pm 2.4 \pm 4.7) \times 10^{-5}$ CB@AGS (2008) [PRC 78 (2008) 015206]
- $\text{BR} = (25.6 \pm 2.4) \times 10^{-5}$ CB@MAMI (2014) A2 MAMI [PRC 90 (2014) 025206]
 - Sample of $\sim 6 \cdot 10^7$ η 's
 - ~ 1200 $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ events found
- Old KLOE preliminary: $(8.4 \pm 2.7 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-5}$
 - ($L = 450 \text{ pb}^{-1} \sim 70$ signal events)

- Latest theoretical studies by Escribano et al. PRD 90 (2020) 034026:
 - Calculated $\text{BR} = 1.35(8) \cdot 10^{-4}$
- Many previous predictions differ by a factor ~ 2



$\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$



S/B ~ 2%

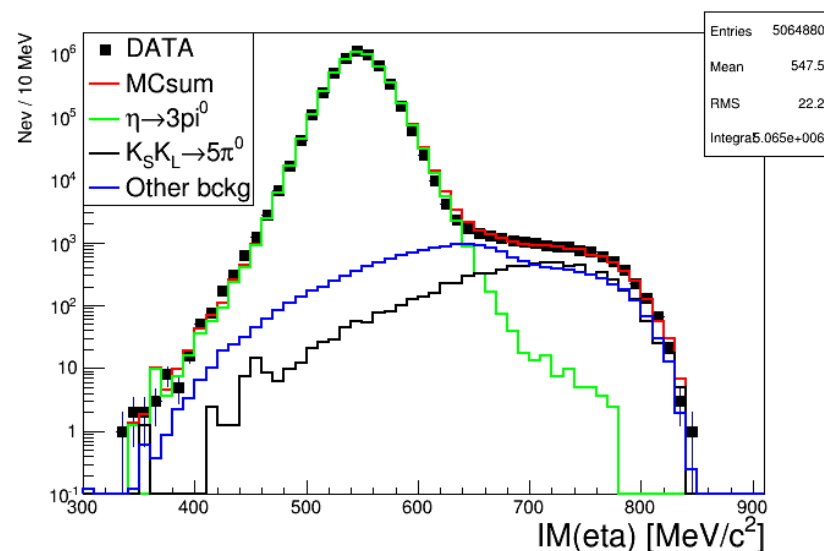
$N_s \sim 1400$

PRELIMINARY

- Integrated luminosity of 1730 pb⁻¹, around $7 \cdot 10^7$ η 's
- $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$, $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ signal and $\sum$ of non- $3\pi^0$ MC's fitted to data
- Fit $\chi^2/(ndf=98)=1.033$ (fit_prob=39%)
- BR normalization to $3\pi^0$

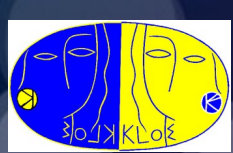
Similar analysis as for $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ channel, but this time $\phi \rightarrow \eta (\rightarrow 3\pi^0) \gamma \rightarrow 7\gamma$ in the final state (BR~33%)

- Very pure channel, backgrounds well below 1%
- When used, can reduce part of systematic effects



$$\frac{BR(\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma)}{BR(\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0)} = \frac{N_S / \epsilon_S}{N_{3\pi^0} / \epsilon_{3\pi^0}}$$

$$BR = (1.21 \pm 0.13_{\text{stat}}) \cdot 10^{-4}$$

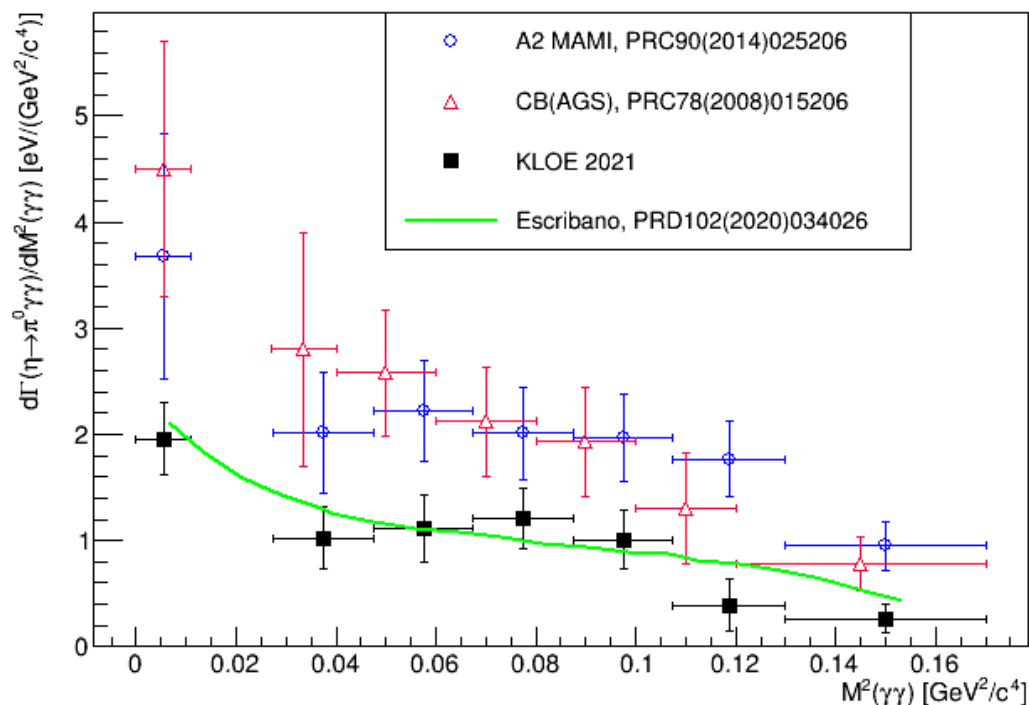


$\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$



PRELIMINARY

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



- Separate fits to $M^2(\gamma\gamma)$ slices
- Bin 0.011-0.0275 GeV^2/c^4 missing due to $\pi^0\pi^0$ veto
- Half of contribution compared with previous experiments
- Good agreement with the latest theoretical predictions by Escribano et al. From 2020 ($\text{BR}=1.35(8)\cdot 10^{-4}$)

From integration of $d\Gamma/dM^2$ (missing bin linearly interpolated) one can calculate KLOE preliminary:

$$\text{BR}=(1.30 \pm 0.13_{\text{stat}})\cdot 10^{-4}$$



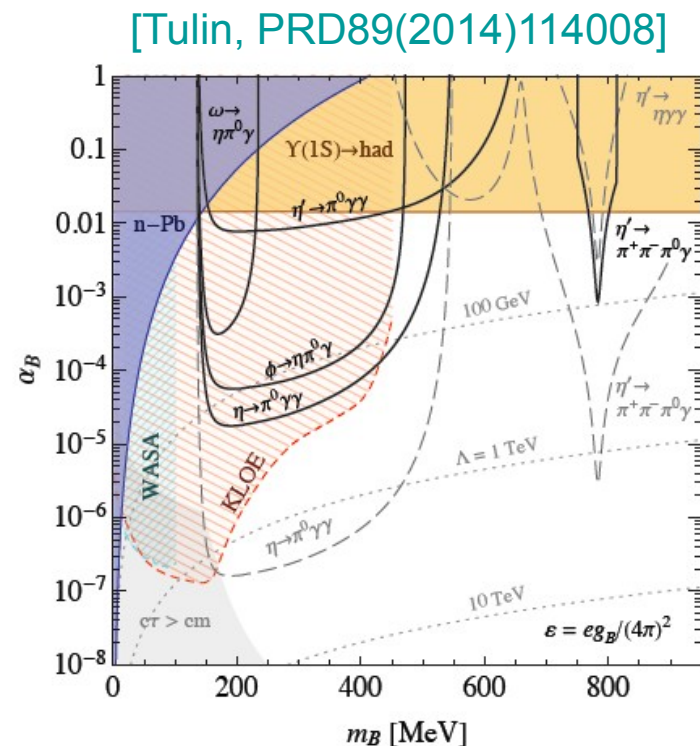
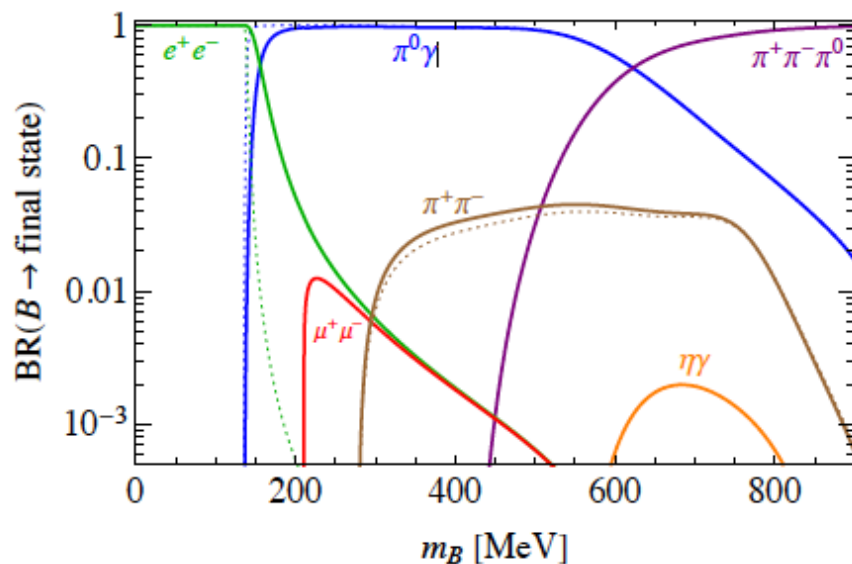
- Dark Force mediator coupled to baryon number (B-boson) with the same quantum numbers of the $\omega(782) \Rightarrow I^G=0^-$

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

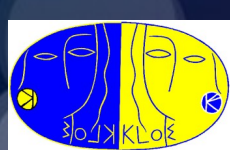
- Dominant decay channel ($m_B < 600$ MeV): $B \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$

- Can be studied in:

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

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


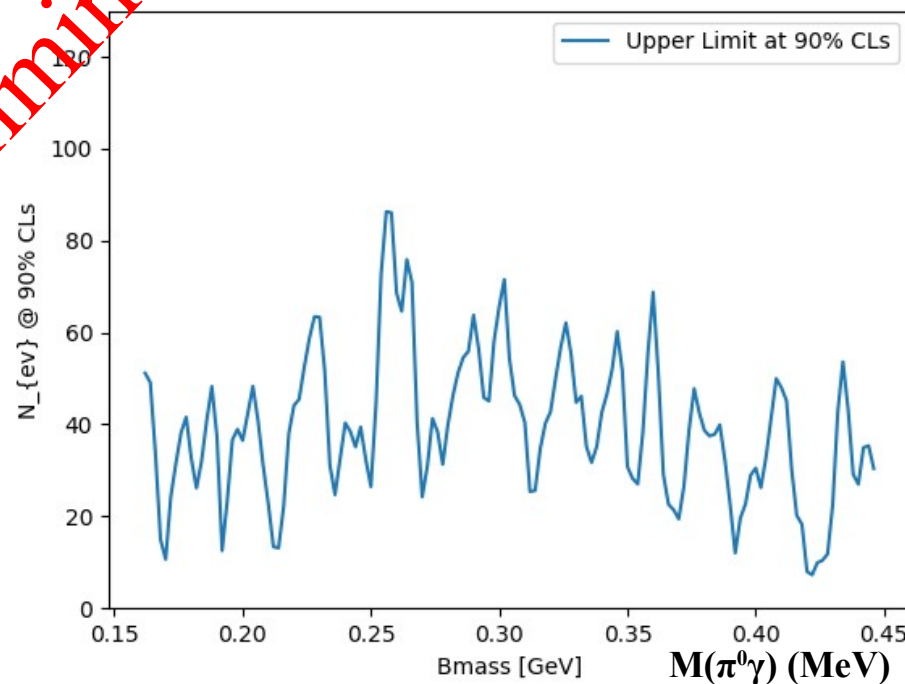
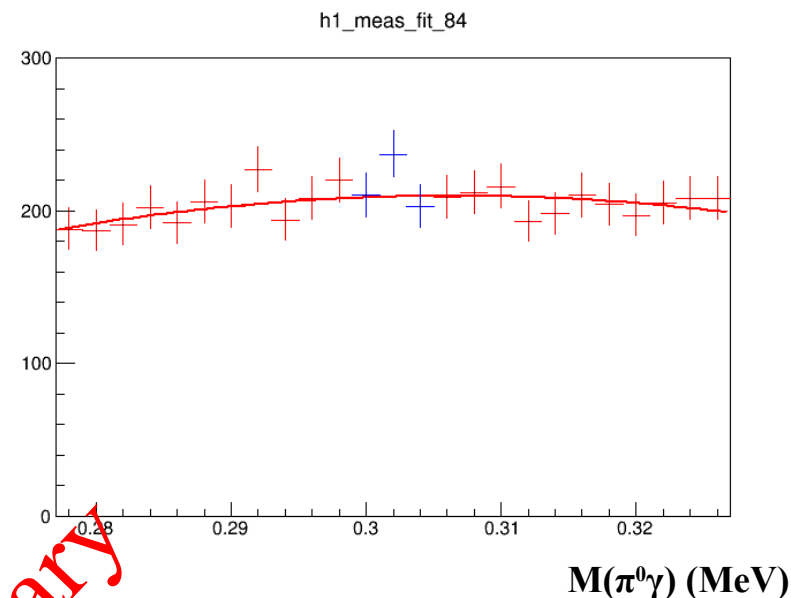
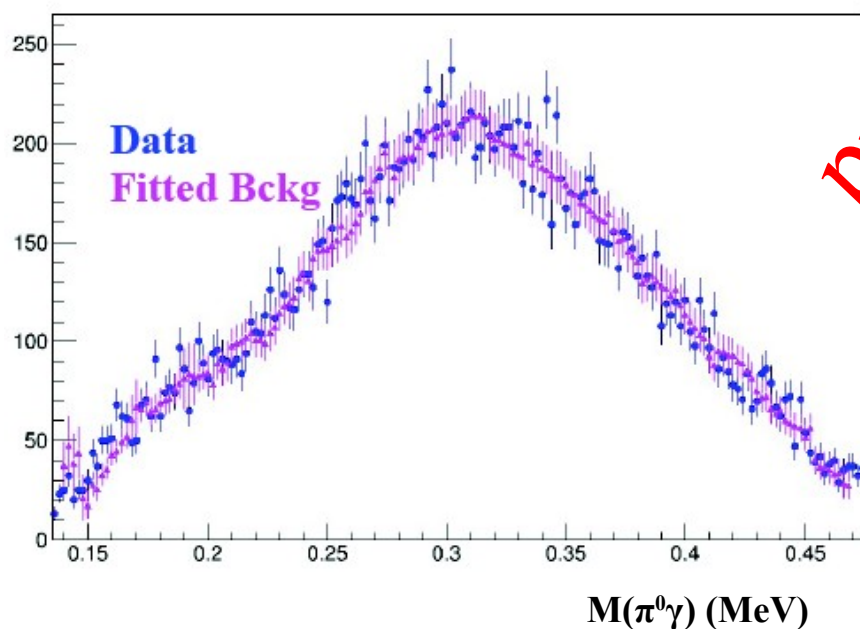
Decay → Production ↓	$B \rightarrow e^+e^-$ $m_B \sim 1 - 140 \text{ MeV}$	$B \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$ $140 - 620 \text{ MeV}$	$B \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ $620 - 1000 \text{ MeV}$	$B \rightarrow \eta\gamma$
$\pi^0 \rightarrow B\gamma$	$\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$	$\pi^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma\gamma$	$\dots$	$\dots$
$\eta \rightarrow B\gamma$	$\eta \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$	$\eta \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma\gamma$	$\dots$	$\dots$
$\eta' \rightarrow B\gamma$	$\eta' \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$	$\eta' \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma\gamma$	$\eta' \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\gamma$	$\eta' \rightarrow \eta\gamma\gamma$
$\omega \rightarrow \eta B$	$\omega \rightarrow \eta e^+e^-$	$\omega \rightarrow \eta\pi^0\gamma$	$\dots$	$\dots$
$\phi \rightarrow \eta B$	$\phi \rightarrow \eta e^+e^-$	$\phi \rightarrow \eta\pi^0\gamma$	$\dots$	$\dots$



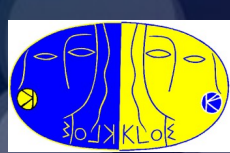
Leptophobic B-boson



- Study on $\sim 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ KLOE data sample
- Background evaluation from sidebands
- Selection of 5 prompt γ 's
- Kinematic fit to improve energy resolution
- Main residual background from $\Phi \rightarrow a_0 \gamma \rightarrow \eta \pi^0 \gamma$ and $\Phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma \rightarrow 3 \pi^0 \gamma$ with lost or merged photons.
- No signal is observed
 - Upper limit calculation
 - Upper limit in number of events at 90% CLs sets limits on the coupling constant α_B at $O(10^{-7})$



preliminary



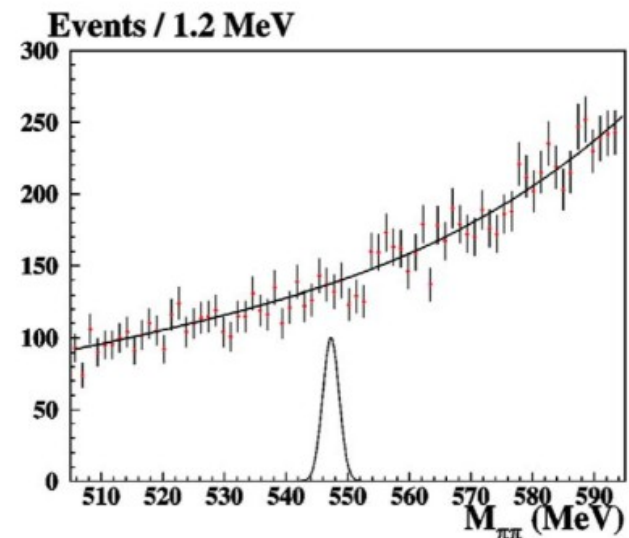
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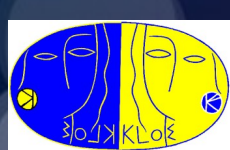


- $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ is P and CP violating process
- The BR prediction in SM [Phys. Scripta T99, 23 (2002)]
 - proceeds only via the CP-violating in weak interaction $\rightarrow 10^{-27}$
 - introducing a CP violating term in QCD $\rightarrow 10^{-17}$
 - allowing CP violation in the extended Higgs sector $\rightarrow 10^{-15}$

Any observation of larger branching ratio would indicate a new source of CP violation in the strong interaction

- The previous limit $\text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) < 1.3 \times 10^{-5}$ @ 90% C.L. by **KLOE** with $L_{\text{int}} \sim 350 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- LHCb limit $\text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) < 1.6 \times 10^{-5}$ @ 90% C.L. with $L_{\text{int}} \sim 3.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$





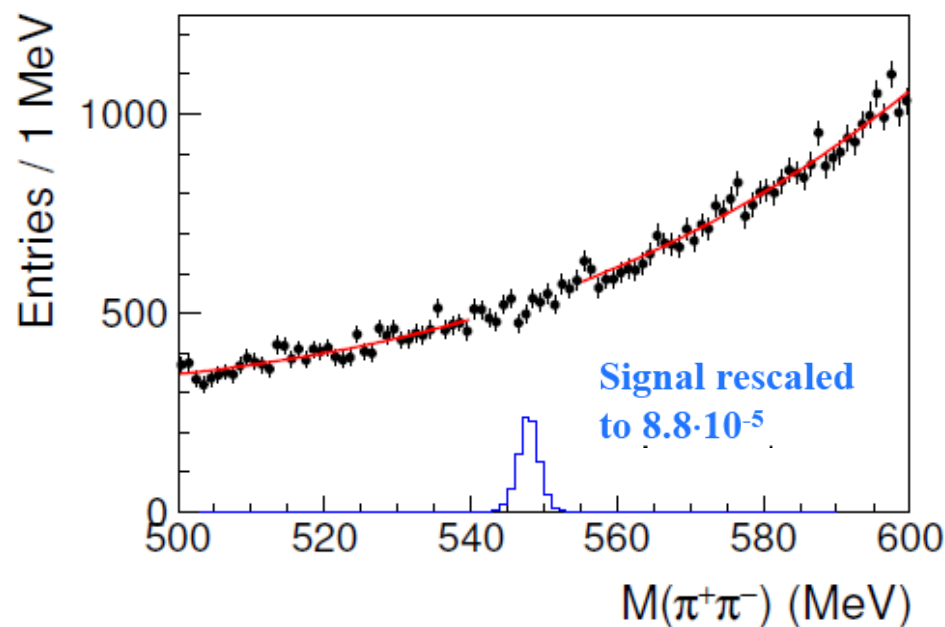
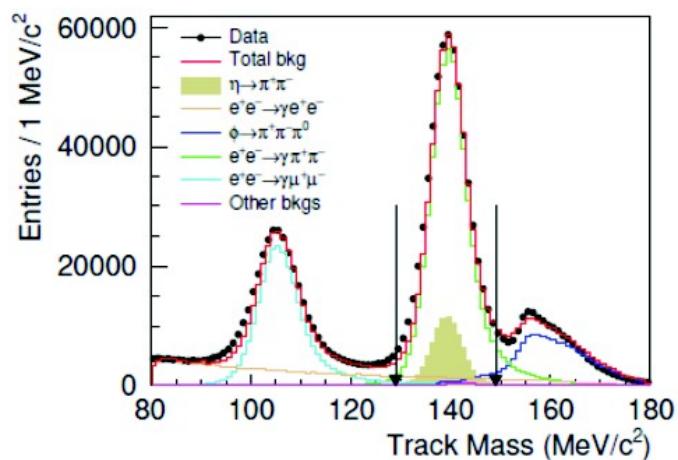
Search for $\Phi \rightarrow \eta\gamma$, with $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$



- New analysis using independent 1.6 fb^{-1} of KLOE data
- No event excess in the η region, limit extracted using CLs technique

Track mass $80 < M_{\text{trk}} < 180 \text{ MeV}$ to reject $\mu^+\mu^-\gamma$ and $\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ backgrounds

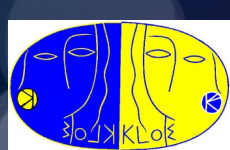
$$|\vec{p}_\phi - \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2| = E_\phi - \sqrt{|\vec{p}_1|^2 + M_{\text{trk}}^2} - \sqrt{|\vec{p}_2|^2 + M_{\text{trk}}^2}$$



$$\text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) < 4.9 \times 10^{-6} @ 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

- Combined with previous KLOE result ($\sim 0.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$)
 - $\text{BR}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) < 4.4 \times 10^{-6} @ 90\% \text{ C.L.}$

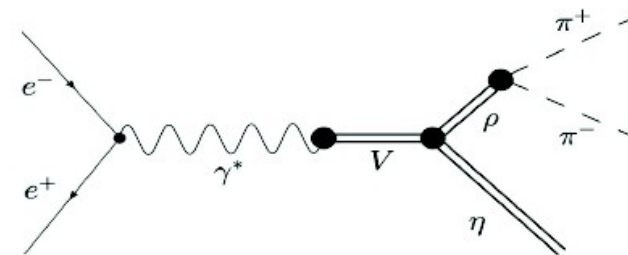
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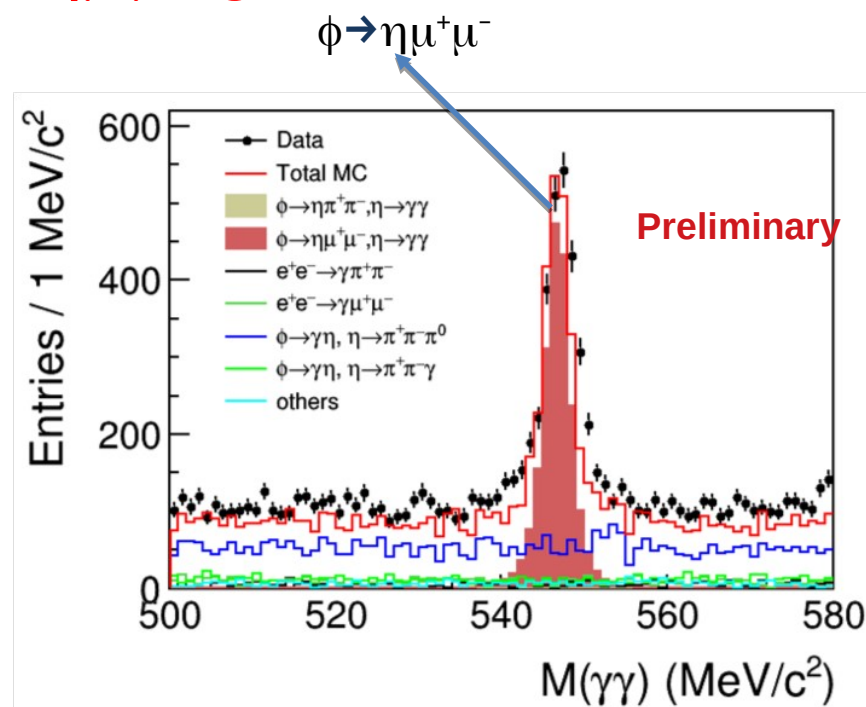
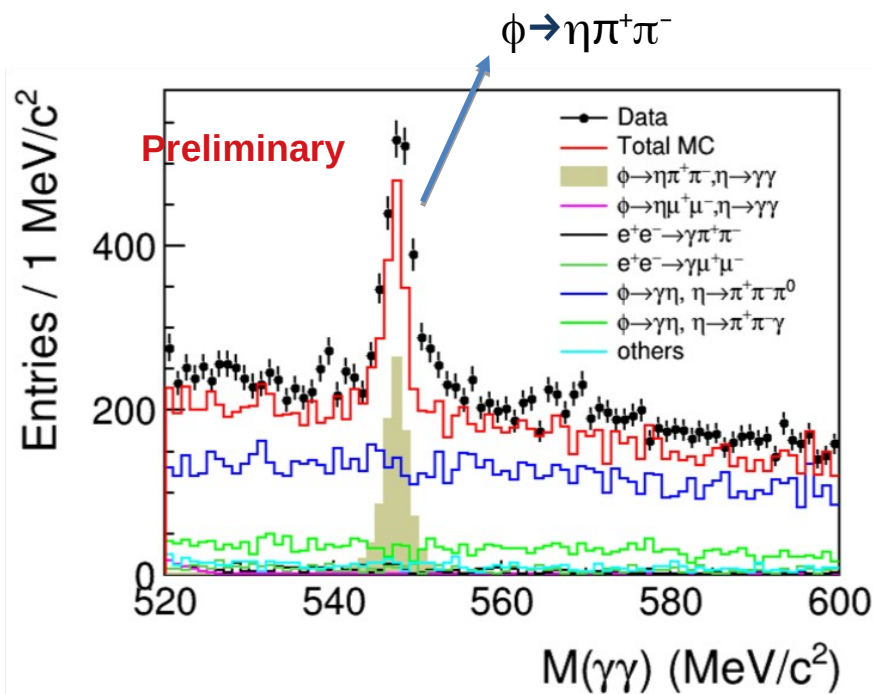
$\Phi \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $\Phi \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-$

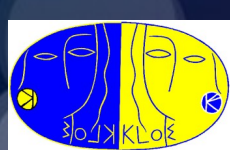


- In VMD model, $e^+e^- \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$ proceeds via ρ resonances, mainly via $\rho \eta$ intermediate state. KLOE/KLOE-2 data allow to measure the line shape around Φ
- $\Phi \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$ violates the OZI rule and G-parity, VMD predicts the $\text{Br} \sim 0.35 \times 10^{-6}$. $\text{Br} < 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ @ 90% CL @ CMD-2
[PLB491\(2000\)81](#)
- The same sample can be also used to search for the Dalitz decay $\Phi \rightarrow \eta \mu^+ \mu^-$, $\text{Br} < 0.94 \times 10^{-5}$ @ 90% CL @ CMD-2 [PLB501\(2001\)191](#)



clear $\phi \rightarrow \eta \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $\eta \mu^+ \mu^-$ signals





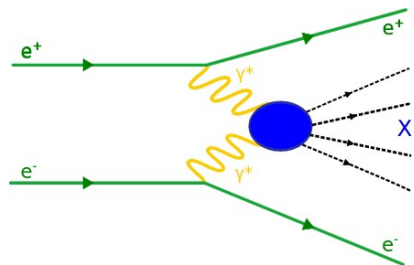
$\gamma\gamma$ physics with High Energy Tagger (HET)



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow e^+e^-X$$

$$[C(X) = +1]$$

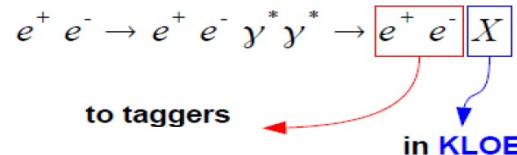
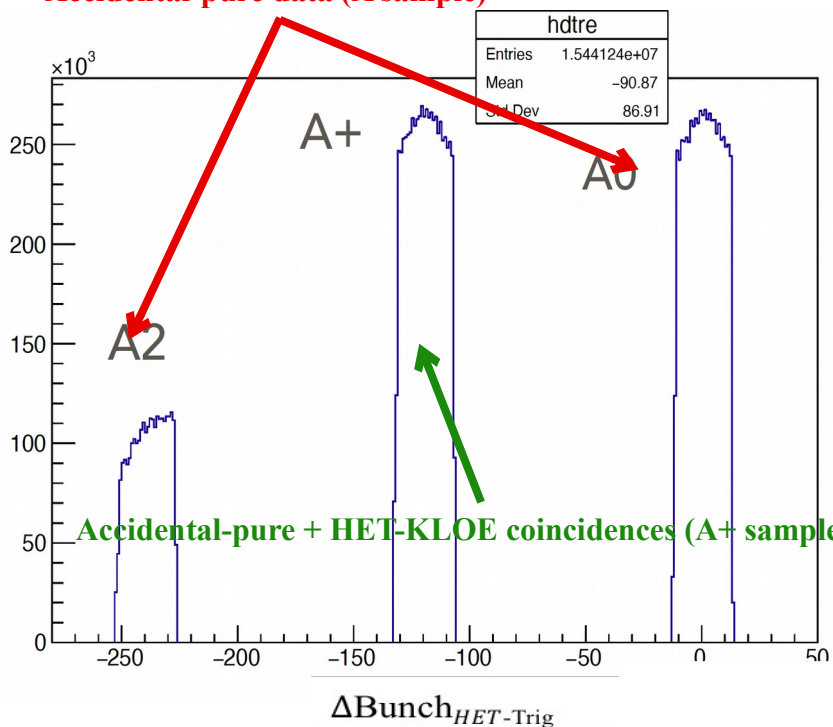
$$X = \pi^0, \pi\pi, \eta$$



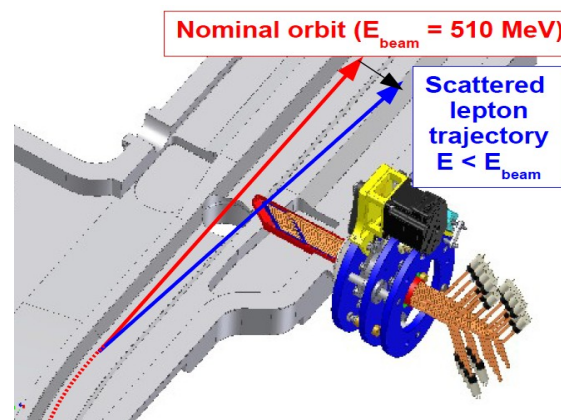
Bernstein & Holstein, *Rev. Mod. Phys.*, 85 (2013) 49

- Precision measurement of $\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$
- Transition form factor $F_{\pi\gamma\gamma^*}(q^2, 0)$ at space-like q^2 ($|q^2| < 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$), impact on value and precision of $a_\mu^{\text{LbyL}; \pi^0}$

Accidental-pure data (A sample)



Measurement concept:
Eur. Phys. J. C 72 (2012) 1917



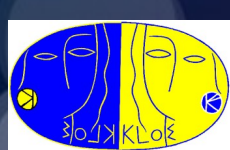
First bending dipoles of DAΦNE act as spectrometers for scattered leptons ($420 < E < 495 \text{ MeV}$)

Scintillator hodoscope + PMTs, inserted in Roman pots
pitch: 5 mm, ~ 11 m from IP ($\sigma_E \sim 2.5 \text{ MeV}$ $\sigma_t \sim 500 \text{ ps}$)

HET is acquired asynchronously w.r.t. the KLOE-2 DAQ (Xilinx Virtex 5 - FPGA), synchronization with the "Fiducial" signal from DAΦNE (each 325 ns) and the KLOE trigger

HET acquisition window corresponds to about 2.5 DAΦNE revolutions, data are recorded only when a KLOE trigger is asserted

The analysis is based on the HET-KLOE coincidences and the accidental-pure samples used for background modelling (shape and number)



Status of $\gamma\gamma$ Analysis



Single-arm selection:

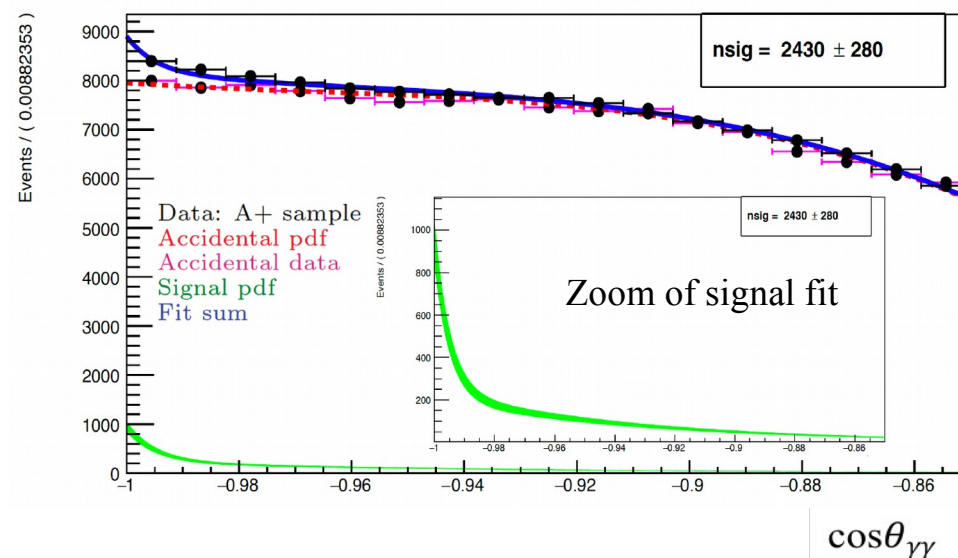
- Sample of 2 clusters associated with the same bunch crossing in the KLOE barrel calorimeter
- Selected bunch crossing, and, independently selected HET signal, are in a time window of 40 ns around the KLOE trigger

Analysis Strategy:

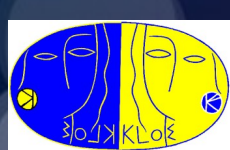
- ML fits of A^+/A^- samples.
- Fit to accidental-pure samples used to constrain the number of accidentals in A^+
- Time coincidence window : 4 ÷ 5 bunch crossings depending on the period
- Accidental pure sample (A) used to model background pdf
- Signal pdfs by Ekhara simulation, control samples and BDSIM transport of the leptons through the beam line

Example of ML fit, statistics: 2fb^{-1} , HET electron data from October '16 to March '18

Signal-enriching cut applied: $|T-R/c| < 0.5$ ns, cut efficiency 80% from control sample studies



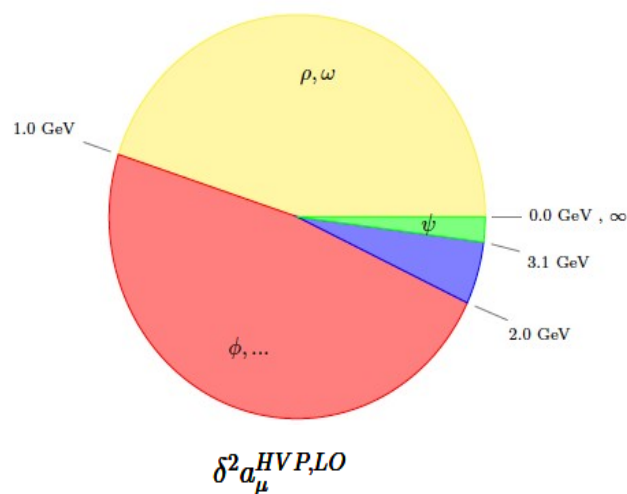
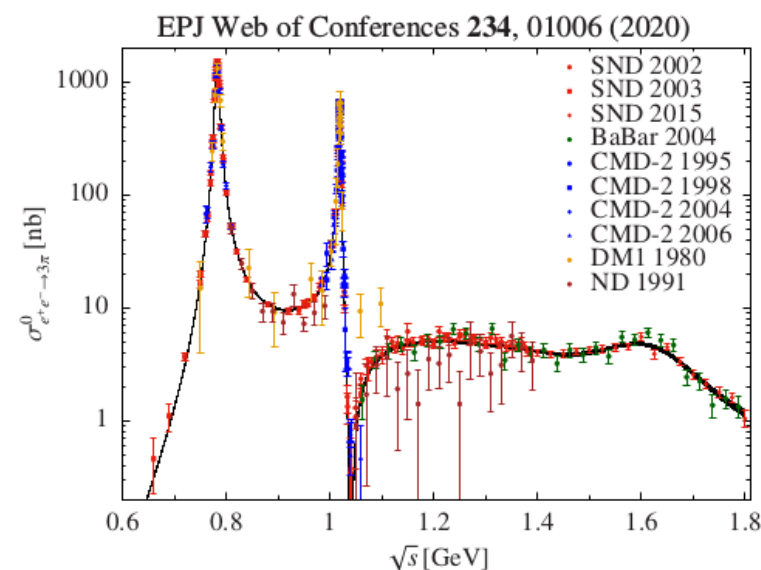
10% precision level on signal reached.
Some improvements still possible.



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

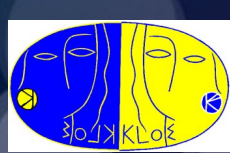


- $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\pi$ is the second largest contribution on a_μ^{HVP} at the leading order, both in absolute values and uncertainties.
- Current cross section measurement of $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\pi$ comes from CMD-2/SND measurement with energy scan and by Babar/BES with ISR technique.
- For $\sqrt{s} < M_\phi$ this measurement is feasible using ISR technique in KLOE/KLOE-2
- ISR KLOE measurement in low energy region, complementary to direct energy scans.



Further physics goals:

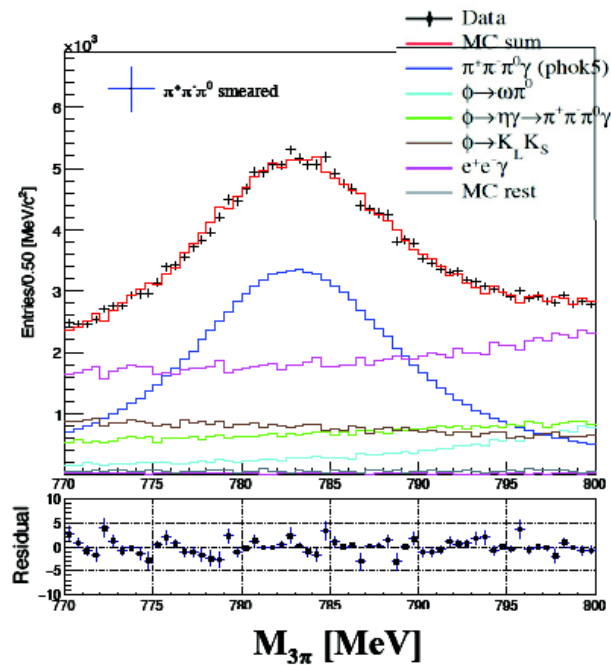
- to extract the peak cross section of the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow V \rightarrow 3\pi$, involving vector resonances $V = \phi, \omega$
- to measure cross section of non-resonant process $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow 3\pi$.
- to measure product of branching fractions $B(\omega \rightarrow e^+e^-) \times B(\omega \rightarrow 3\pi)$



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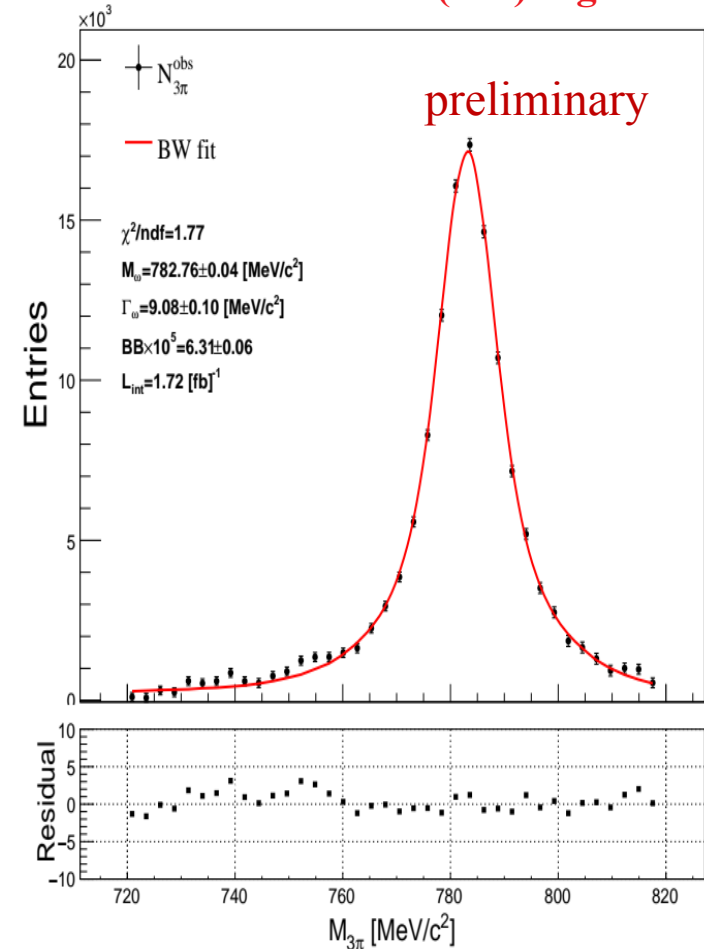


- Analysis on $\sim 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ on-peak and $\sim 246 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ off-peak data samples.
- Selection based in at least 2 tracks with opposite curvature + 3 neutral clusters
- Kinematic fit to improve resolution

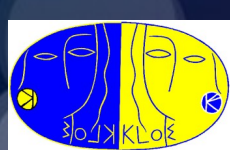


- Fit with a single Breit-Wigner convoluted with the ISR radiator and mass resolution smearing function
- Systematics evaluation ongoing
- Theoretical model for fit is being refined

cross section in the $\omega(782)$ region fit



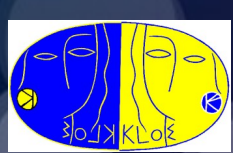
in agreement with PDG value



Summary



- KLOE and KLOE-2 experiments have collected $\sim 8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, which represents the largest sample collected at a Φ -factory.
 - Rich KLOE-2 program for Kaon and Hadron Physics.
- We are studying the golden χ -PT process $\Phi \rightarrow \eta\gamma, \eta \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma\gamma$
 - Preliminary BR is $\sim 1/2$ of previous best measurements and in agreement with the most recent theory calculation.
- We are studying 5 photon final state to set the first limit on the leptophobic B-Boson searching for the decay chain $\Phi \rightarrow \eta B, B \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$.
- We have published the world best limit on $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ using the KLOE data sample reaching a $\text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) < 4.9 \times 10^{-6}$ @ 90% C.L., 3 times better than previous one. Limit has already been included in the PDG.
- We have observed for the first time, clean signals for $\Phi \rightarrow \eta\pi^+\pi^-$ and $\Phi \rightarrow \eta\mu^+\mu^-$ decays.
- We are using π^0 's produced with $\gamma\gamma$ -fusion and tagged with our low angle tagging system (HET) to determine the $\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$ of this process.
- A clean signal of 3π final state in the ω region through ISR method is established.



$\gamma\gamma$ cross section measurement, concept and status



Measurement concept:

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

Status of the measurement:

N_{π^0} $\longrightarrow$ Number of π^0 tagged events. Preliminary results on the whole reconstructed data sample (electron station) obtained, 10% precision level.

ϵ_{ana} $\longrightarrow$ Analysis efficiency evaluation completed, only small refinement needed.

$\frac{A_{\text{Bha}}}{A_{\pi^0}}$ $\longrightarrow$ Full simulation of signal ($\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi^0$ triggering KLOE DAQ and one lepton in the HET) and normalization channel (low angle $e^+e^- \gamma$ with one lepton reaching HET) events, obtained with EKHARA/BBBREM generators + BDSIM for lepton transport, completed.

$\sigma_{\text{Bha}}^{\text{meas}} \int L dt$ $\longrightarrow$ Obtained from the KLOE online luminosity measurement. Product independent from luminometer scale, scaling behavior checked along data-taking periods.