

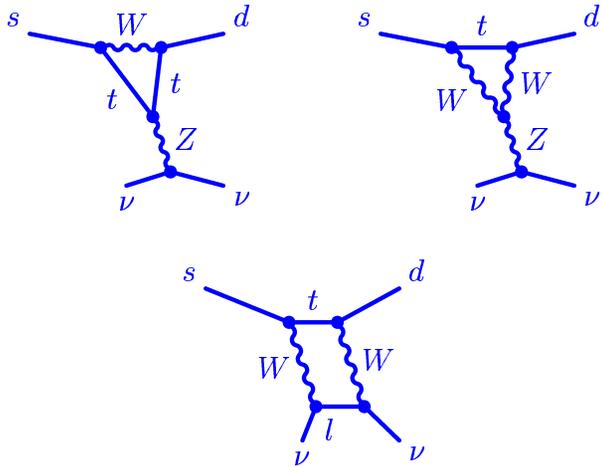
# E949 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ Results

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**$K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$  in the Standard Model and beyond**



- Negligible long distance effects ( $10^{-13}$ )
- Hadronic matrix element via isospin analog  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu$

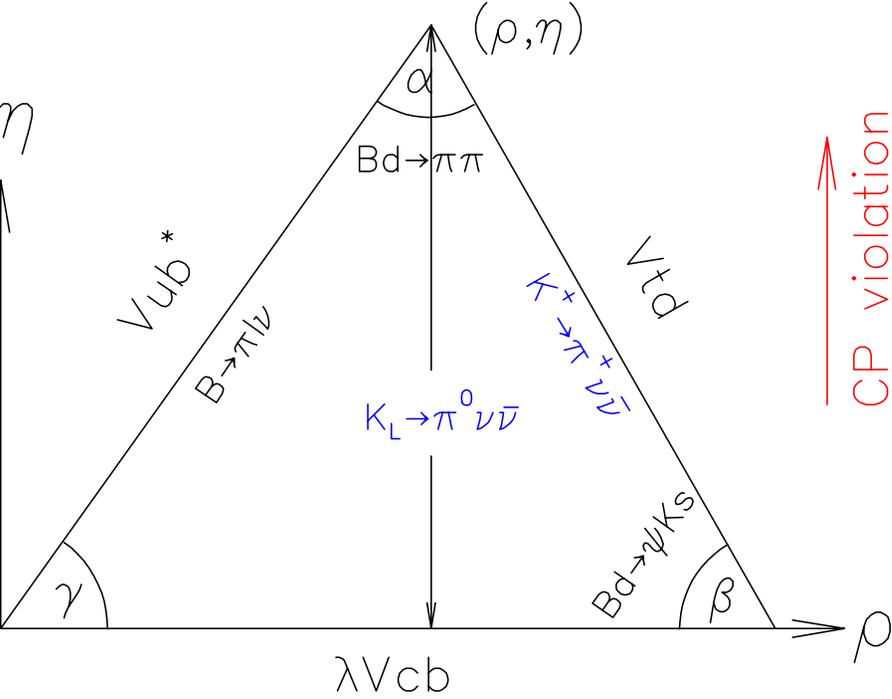
	$\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$	$\mathcal{B}(K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu})$
top dep.	$ V_{ts}^* V_{td} $	$Im(V_{ts}^* V_{td})$
Msmt <sup>a,b,c</sup>	$(1.57^{+1.75}_{-0.82}) \times 10^{-10}$	$< 5.9 \times 10^{-7}$
SM <sup>d</sup>	$(0.78 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-10}$	$(0.30 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-10}$
SM Uncert. <sup>f</sup>	7%	2%
MFV <sup>g</sup>	$1.91 \times 10^{-10}$	$0.99 \times 10^{-10}$
EZP <sup>h</sup>	$(0.75 \pm 0.21) \times 10^{-10}$	$(3.1 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-10}$

Limits are at 90% CL.

References

(a) PRL <b>88</b> (2002) 041803	(b) PR <b>D61</b> (2000) 072006
(c) PL <b>B398</b> (1997) 163	(d) hep-ph/0405132
(e) hep-ph/0212321	(f) hep-ph/0101336
(g) Minimal Flavor Violation, Buras, hep-ph/0310208	
(h) Enhanced $Z^0$ Penguins, Buras <i>et al.</i> , hep-ph/040211	

# “Golden” modes and the CKM unitarity triangle



Process	Experiments
$\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$	E787/E949
$\mathcal{B}(K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu})$	KOPIO, E391a
$\mathcal{A}(B \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0; t)$	BaBar, Belle
$\Delta m_s / \Delta m_d$	CDF, D0

Comparison of  $\beta$  from  $\mathcal{B}(K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) / \mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$  and  $\mathcal{A}(B \rightarrow J/\psi K_S^0; t)$  is perhaps **the** definitive test of CP violation in the SM.

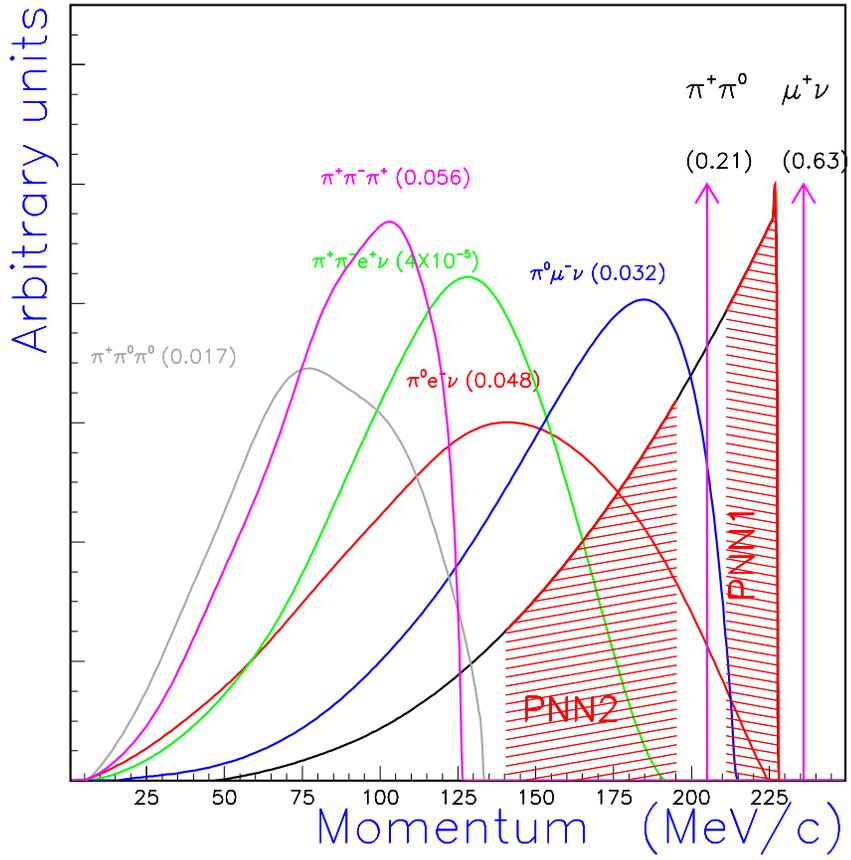
Comparison of  $|V_{td}|$  from  $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$  and  $\Delta m_s / \Delta m_d$  is an important test of the SM.

Name	“PNN2”	“PNN1”
$P_\pi$ (MeV/c)	[140,195]	[211,229]
Years	1996- 97	1995-98
Stopped $K^+$	$1.7 \times 10^{12}$	$5.9 \times 10^{12}$
Candidates	1	2
Background	$1.22 \pm 0.24$	$0.15 \pm 0.05$
$\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$	$< 22 \times 10^{-10}$	$(1.57^{+1.75}_{-0.82}) \times 10^{-10}$

**E787**  
 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$   
**results**

**PNN1:** PRL **88**, 041803 (2002).

**PNN2:** Limit at 90%CL is combined result from 1996 (PL **B537**, 211 (2002)) and 1997 (hep-ex/0403034) data.



# K<sup>+</sup> → π<sup>+</sup>νν̄ and background rates

## Measure everything possible.

- Independent measurements of range(R), energy(E) and momentum(P) of π<sup>+</sup>
- Positive identification of incoming K<sup>+</sup> and outgoing π<sup>+</sup>
- Veto extra photons and charged particles

Background must be suppressed by 10<sup>11</sup>

Measure background with data — set cuts based on 1/3 of data and evaluate bkgd with remaining 2/3.

Process	Rate
K <sup>+</sup> → π <sup>+</sup> νν̄	0.78 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>
K <sup>+</sup> → π <sup>+</sup> π <sup>0</sup>	2113000000.00 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>
K <sup>+</sup> → μ <sup>+</sup> ν	6343000000.00 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>
K <sup>+</sup> → μ <sup>+</sup> νγ	55000000.00 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>
K <sup>+</sup> → π <sup>0</sup> μ <sup>+</sup> ν	327000000.00 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>
CEX	~ 46000.00 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>
Scattered π <sup>+</sup> beam	~ 25000000.00 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>

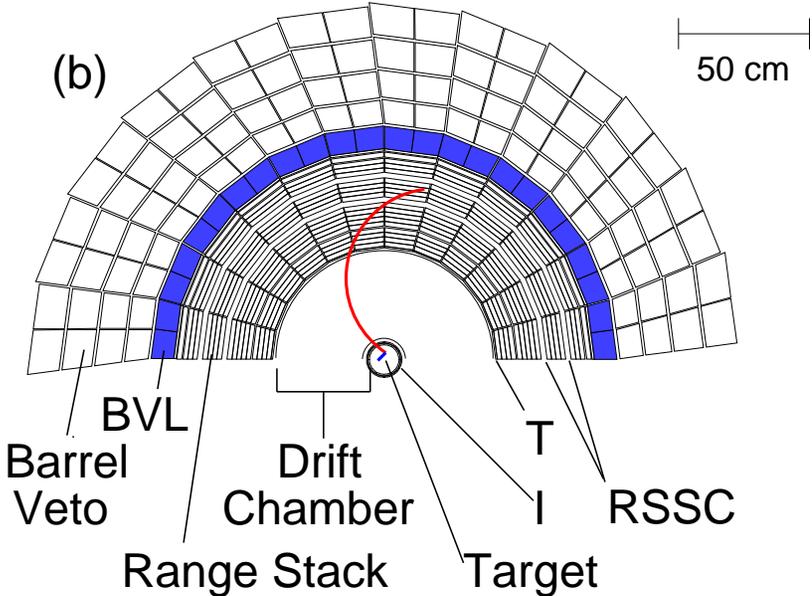
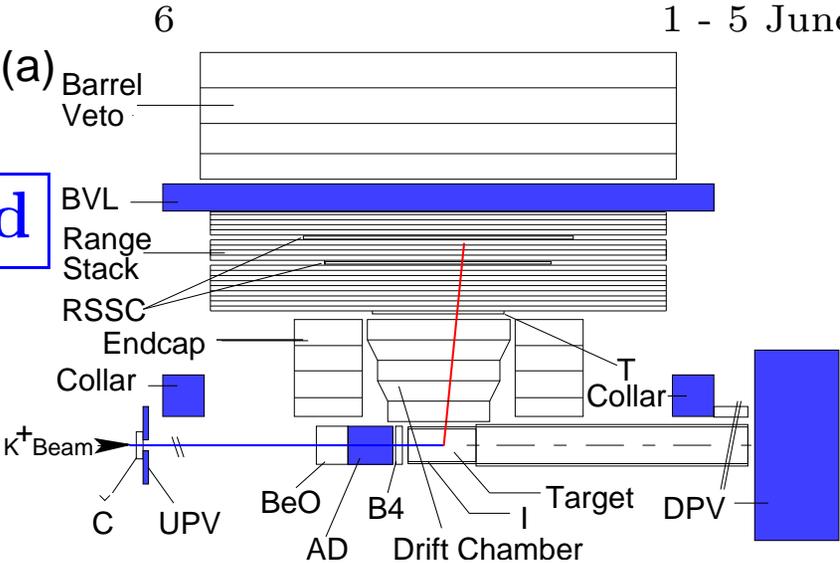
CEX ≡ (K<sup>+</sup>n → K<sup>0</sup>X) × (K<sup>0</sup> → K<sub>L</sub><sup>0</sup>) × (K<sub>L</sub><sup>0</sup> → π<sup>+</sup>ℓ<sup>-</sup>ν)

ℓ<sup>-</sup> is μ<sup>-</sup> or e<sup>-</sup>

K<sup>+</sup>n → K<sup>0</sup>X rate is empirically determined.

# E949 experimental method

- $\sim 700 \text{ MeV}/c \text{ K}^+$  beam
- Stop  $\text{K}^+$  in scint. fiber target
- Wait at least 2 ns for  $\text{K}^+$  decay
- Measure  $P$  in drift chamber
- Measure range  $R$  and energy  $E$  in target and range stack (RS)
- Stop  $\pi^+$  in range stack
- Observe  $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \rightarrow e^+$  in RS
- Veto photons, charged tracks
- **New/upgraded detector elements**



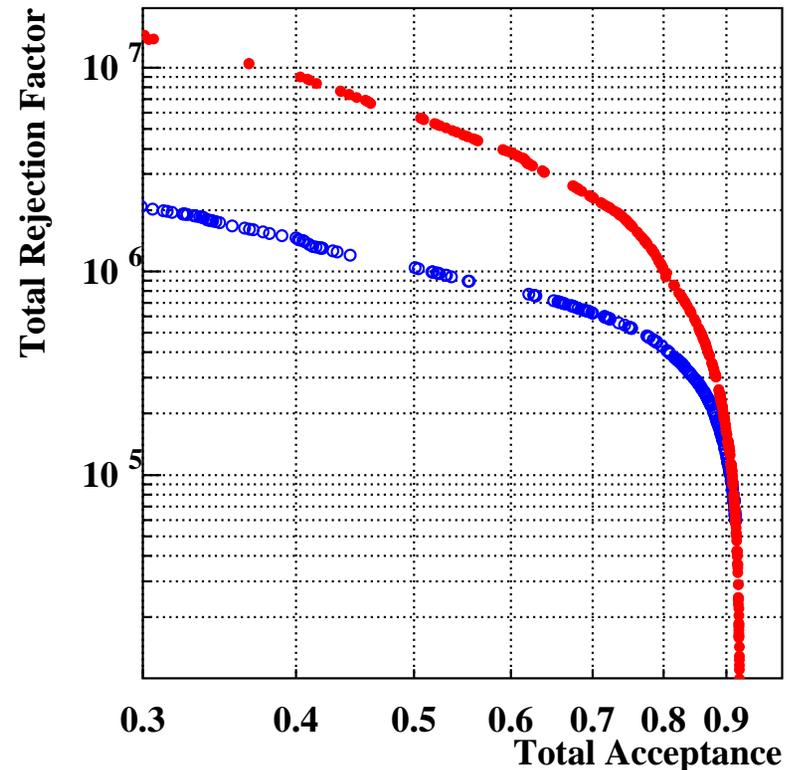
## E949 status for 2002 data taking

### Upgrades to E787:

- More protons/sec from AGS
- Improved photon veto hermeticity (Figure)
- Improved tracking and energy resolution
- Higher rate capability due to DAQ and trigger improvements

### Not optimal in 2002:

1. Spill duty factor.
2. Proton beam momentum.
3. K/ $\pi$  electrostatic separators.



Background **Rejection** as a function of  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  signal **Acceptance** for the photon veto cut for **E787** and **E949**.

## E787 and E949 analysis strategy

- “Blind” analysis. Don’t examine signal region until all backgrounds verified.
- A priori identification of background sources.
- Suppress each background source with at least two independent cuts.
- Backgrounds cannot be reliably simulated: measure with data by inverting cuts and measuring rejection taking any (small) correlations into account.
- To avoid bias, set cuts using 1/3 of data, then measure backgrounds with remaining 2/3 sample.
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- Use MC to measure geometrical acceptance for  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ . Verify by measuring  $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0)$ .

## Background suppression

Source	Suppression method			
	Kinematics	Particle ID	Veto	Timing
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$	✓		✓	
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu(\gamma)$	✓	✓	(✓)	
CEX			✓	✓
Scattered beam		✓		✓

CEX  $\equiv K^+ n \rightarrow K^0 p$ ,  $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \ell^- \nu$

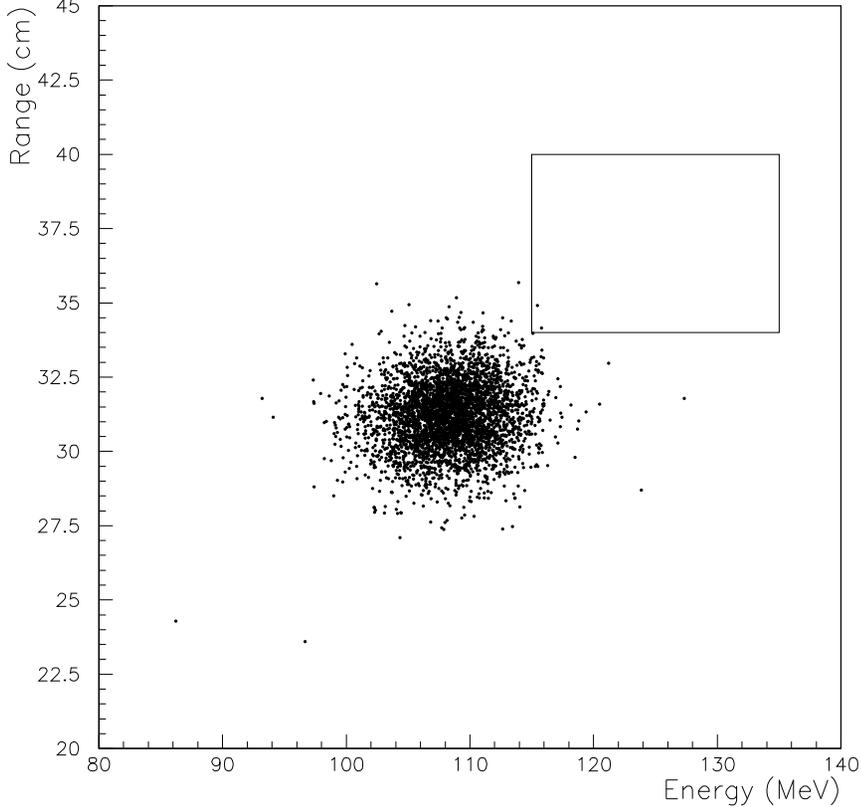
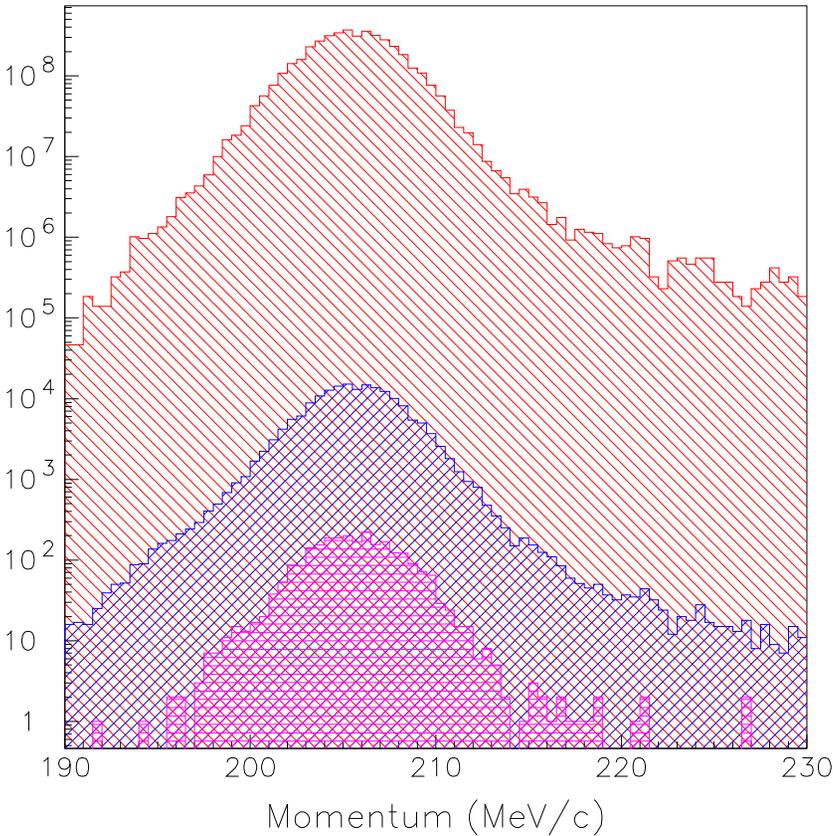
Particle ID includes  $K^+/\pi^+$  separation by Cherenkov and  $dE/dx$  measurements in beam elements and  $\pi^+/\mu^+$  separation by  $dE/dx$  measurements in the target and range stack as well as detection of the  $\pi \rightarrow \mu \rightarrow e$  decay chain in the range stack.

Veto includes both photon and charged particle vetoing

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**Example:  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  background rejection**



**Left:** Kinematically select  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  and apply the photon veto.  
Photon veto: Typically 2-5 ns time windows and 0.2 - 3 MeV energy thresholds

**Right:** Select photons. Phase space cuts in P, R, E.

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## Verifying background rates by loosening cuts

Define rejection power  $\equiv 1$  when cuts are set to produce pre-determined signal region (“signal box”).

Relax cut to reduce rejection by  $\times 10$ . New, larger region should have  $10\times$  background of signal box.

Example: For  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  background, simultaneously loosen photon veto (PV) and kinematic (KIN) cuts each by  $\times 10$ .

Expect  $10 \times 10 = 100$  times more background than that of the signal box.

Compare background prediction with observation near signal region

$K_{\pi 2}$	PV×KIN	10 × 10	20 × 20	20 × 50	50 × 50	50 × 100
	Observed	3	4	9	22	53
	Predicted	1.1	4.9	12.4	31.1	62.4
$K_{\mu 2}$	TD×KIN	10 × 10	20 × 20	50 × 50	80 × 50	120 × 50
	Observed	0	1	12	16	25
	Predicted	0.35	1.4	9.1	14.5	21.8
$K_{\mu m}$	TD×KIN	10 × 10	20 × 20	50 × 20	80 × 20	80 × 40
	Observed	1	1	4	5	11
	Predicted	0.31	1.3	3.2	5.2	10.4

$K_{\pi 2} \equiv K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ ;  $K_{\mu 2} \equiv K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$ ;

$K_{\mu m} \equiv K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu \gamma$ ,  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \nu$  and  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  with  $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$   
decay in flight

TD  $\equiv$   $\pi \rightarrow \mu \rightarrow e$  identification, PV  $\equiv$  Photon Veto rej., KIN  $\equiv$  kinematic rej.

$M \times N \equiv$  reduction in rejection with respect to signal region

Compare background prediction with observation near signal region

Quantify consistency: Fit  $N_{\text{obs}} = cN_{\text{pred}}$  and expect  $c = 1$ .

Background	$c$	$\chi^2$ Probability	Total background
$K_{\pi 2}$	$0.85^{+0.12}_{-0.11}$	0.17	$0.216 \pm 0.023$
$K_{\mu 2}$	$1.15^{+0.25}_{-0.21}$	0.67	$0.044 \pm 0.005$
$K_{\mu m}$	$1.06^{+0.35}_{-0.29}$	0.40	$0.024 \pm 0.010$

Deviation of  $c$  from unity is taken into account in evaluation of  $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$

Beam and CEX background is  $0.014 \pm 0.003$

The calculated number of background events in the signal region is  $0.30 \pm 0.03$  from all background sources.

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- Use MC to measure geometrical acceptance for  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ . Verify by measuring  $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0) = 0.215 \pm 0.005$ .  
World average value is  $0.2113 \pm 0.0014$ .

## E949 improved analysis strategy<sup>†</sup>

1. E787 background estimation methods are reliable.
2. Divide signal region into cells and calculate background ( $b_i$ ) and signal acceptance ( $s_i$ ) for each cell. Example: Tighten PV cut to select subregion with 1/10 of the total predicted  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  background within “signal box”
3. Can calculate  $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$  using  $s_i/b_i$  of any cells containing candidates using likelihood ratio method.
4. Increase total size of signal region to increase acceptance at cost of more total background.

<sup>†</sup> With age comes wisdom.

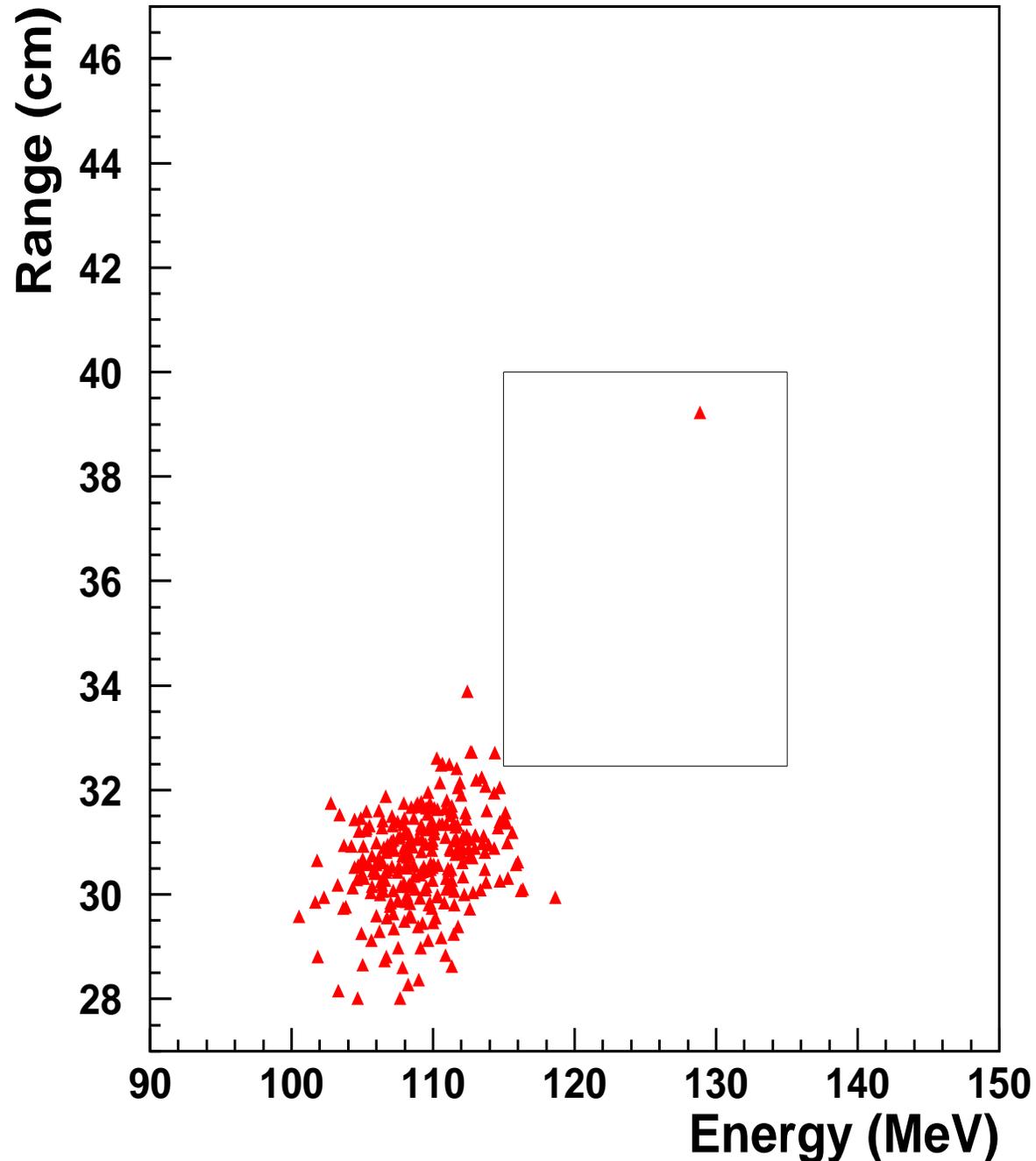
## Opening the box

Range (cm) *vs* Energy (MeV) for E949 data after all other cuts applied.

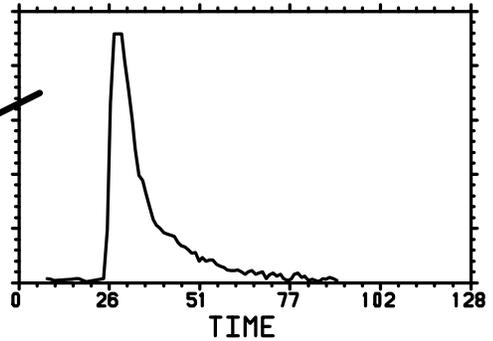
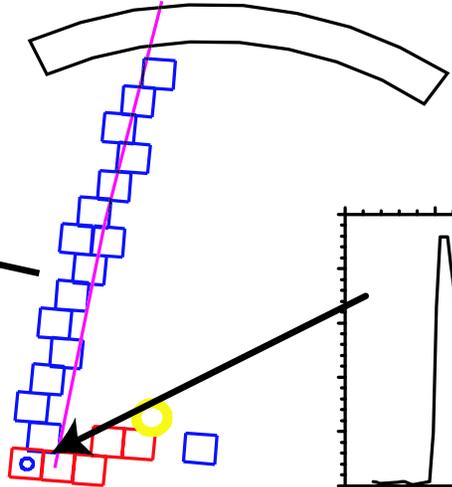
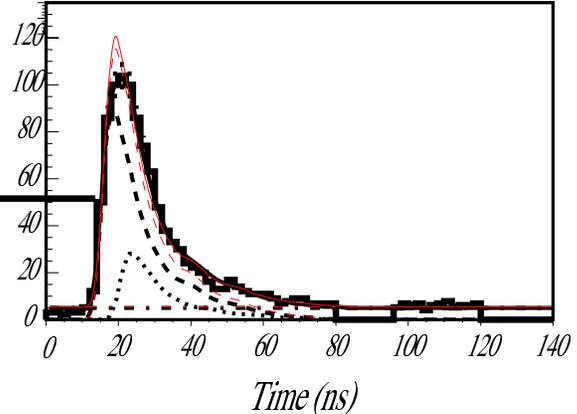
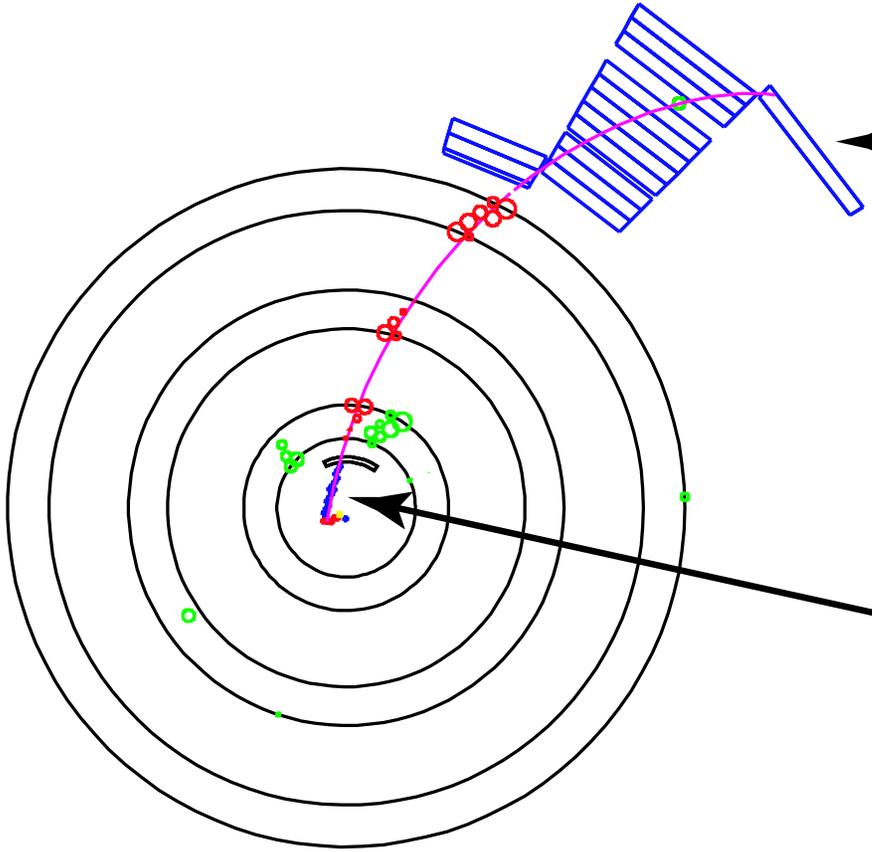
Solid line shows signal region.

**Single candidate found.**

Cluster near 110 MeV  
is unvetoes  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ .



# Event display



**How likely is it that the candidate is due to known background?**

**Question:** Suppose we do 100 experiments, how many will have a candidate from a known background source that is as signal-like or more signal-like than the observed candidate?

**Answer:**  $\sim 7$

The sum of background in all cells with  $s_i/b_i$  greater or equal to the cell containing the observed candidate is 0.077. The probability that 0.077 could produce one or more events is 0.074 ( $\sim 7/100$ ).

The E949 candidate is more likely to be due to background than the two E787 candidates.

Candidate	E787A	E787C	E949A
Probability	0.006	0.02	0.07

	E787		E949
Stopped $K^+$ ( $N_K$ )	$5.9 \times 10^{12}$		$1.8 \times 10^{12}$
Total Acceptance	$0.0020 \pm 0.0002$		$0.0022 \pm 0.0002$
Total Background	$0.14 \pm 0.05$		$0.30 \pm 0.03$
Candidate	E787A	E787C	E949A
$S_i/b_i$	50	7	0.9
$W_i$	0.98	0.88	0.48

$b_i$  = background rate of cell containing candidate

$S_i \equiv \mathcal{B}A_iN_K$  = signal rate for cell containing candidate

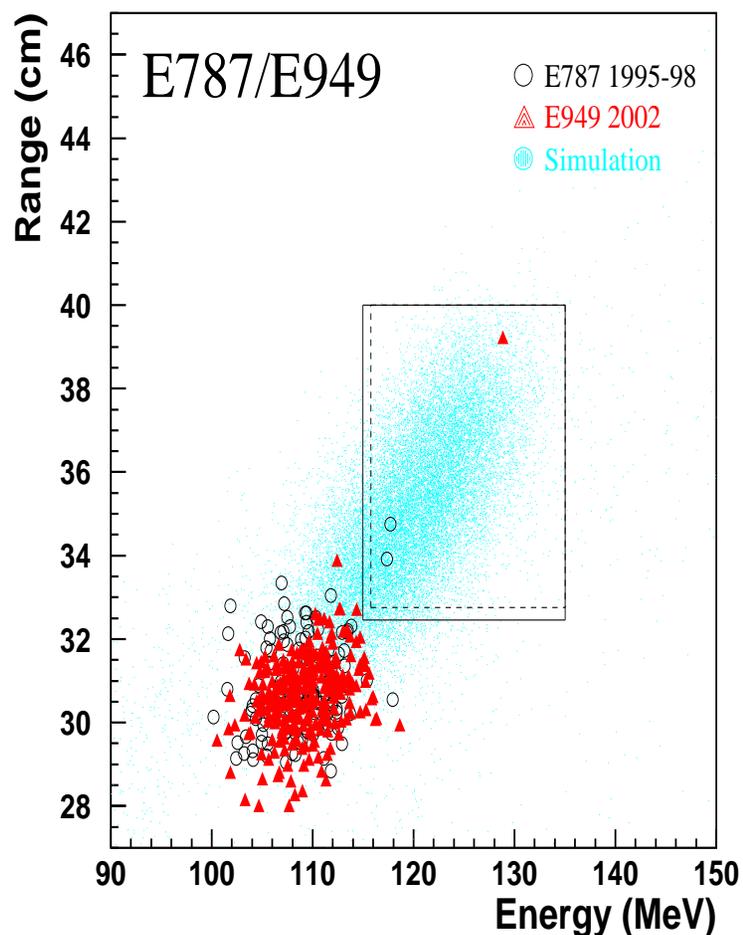
$A_i \equiv$  acceptance

$\mathcal{B}$  = measured central value of  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\nu\bar{\nu}$  branching fraction

$W_i \equiv S_i/(S_i + b_i)$  = event weight

Event weight  $W_i$  and  $S_i/b_i$  assumes SM signal hypothesis as well as calculated background.

# Combined E787 and E949 results for $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$



Range (cm) vs Energy (MeV) for combined E787 and E949 data after all other cuts applied.

Dashed line is E787 signal region.

Solid line is E949 signal region.

$$\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (1.47_{-0.89}^{+1.30}) \times 10^{-10}$$

(68%CL interval)

$$\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) > 0.27 \times 10^{-10} \text{ (90\%CL)}$$

The probability that background alone gave rise to the three observed events or to any more signal-like configuration is 0.001.

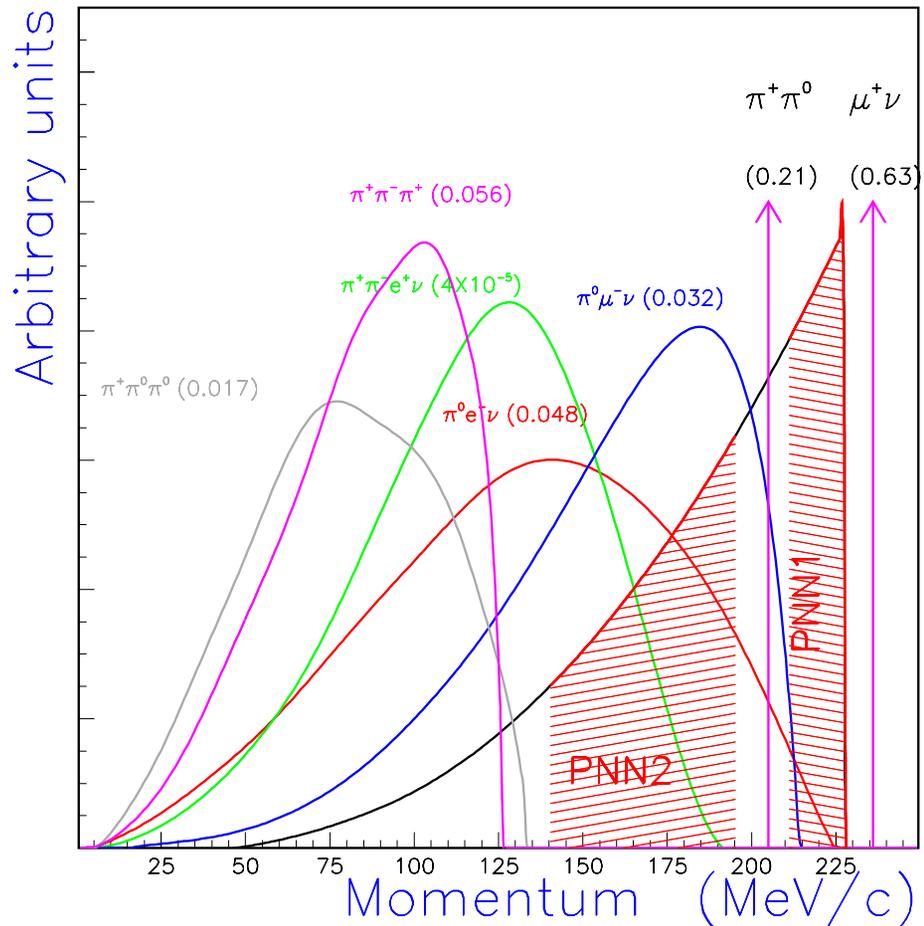
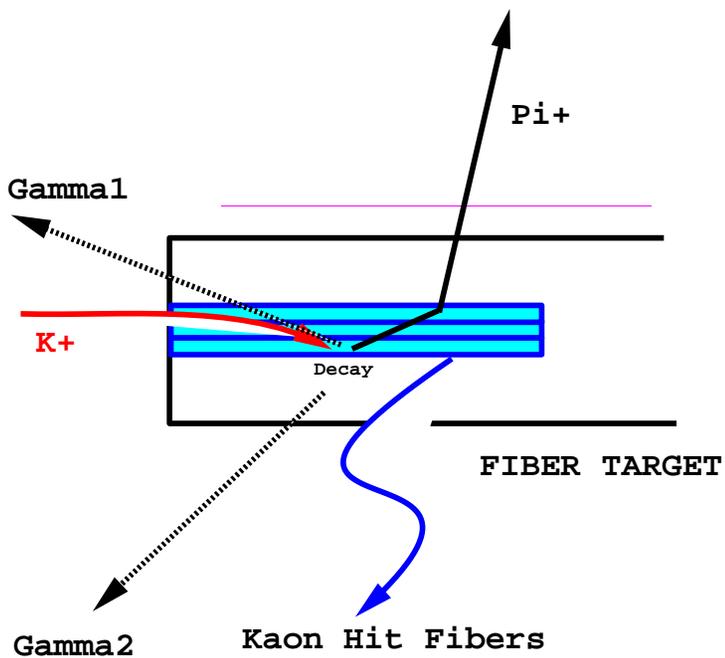
$$\text{SM: } \mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (0.78 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-10}$$

Buras, Schwab & Uhlig, hep-ph/0405132

$$\text{E787: } \mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (1.57_{-0.82}^{+1.75}) \times 10^{-10}$$

# PNN2: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ below $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ peak

- More phase space than PNN1
- Less loss due to  $\pi^+ N$  interactions
- $P(\pi^+) = (140,195) \text{ MeV}/c$  probes more of  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  spectrum
- Main background mechanism is  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  followed by  $\pi^+$  scatter in target.



E949 PNN2 analysis is in progress

# Measuring $\mathcal{B}(K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu})$ with KOPIO at BNL

Measure everything possible.

Work in  $K_L^0$  CMS

Microbunched  $K_L^0$  beam

Measure  $\gamma$  directions in PR

Measure  $\gamma$  energy in CAL

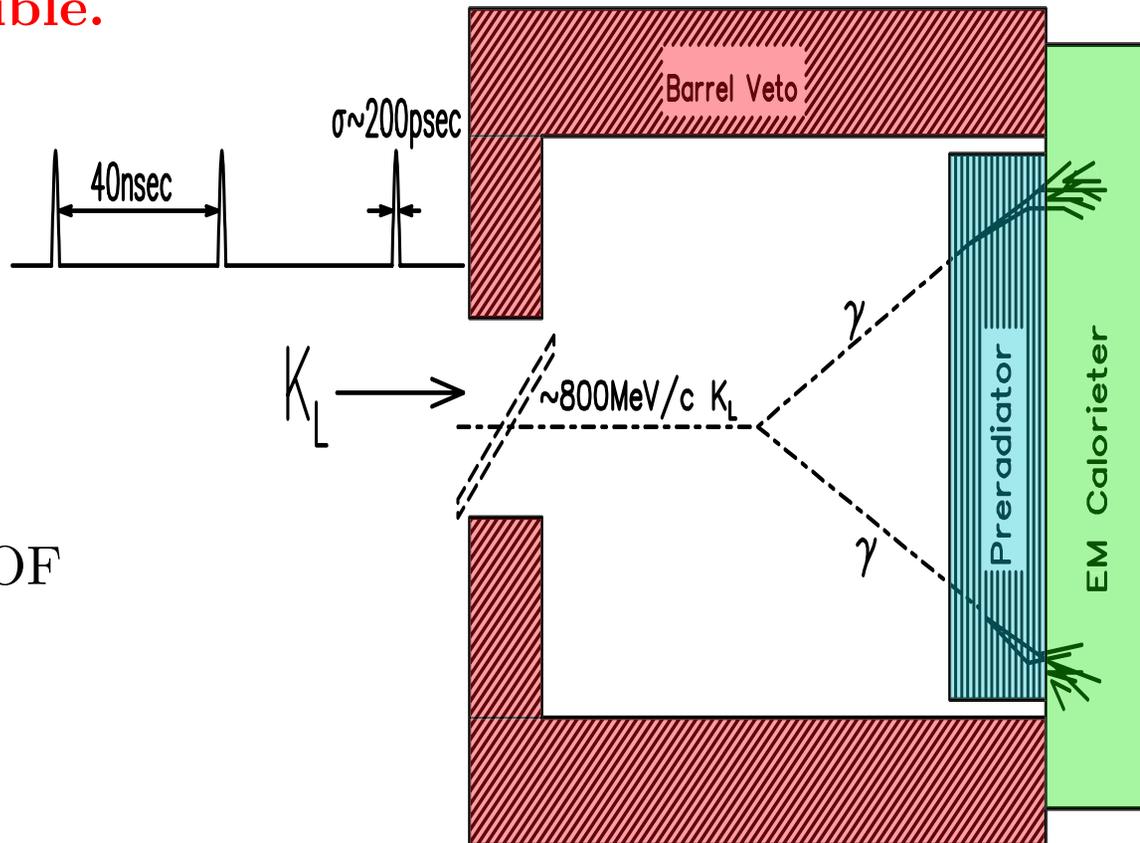
Reconstruct  $\pi^0$  from  $\gamma\gamma$

Measure  $K_L^0$  velocity from TOF

Photon veto

Charged track veto

Kinematic veto



Expect  $\sim 40$   $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$  events for  $\Delta\mathcal{B}/\mathcal{B} \approx 20\%$  or  $\Delta\eta/\eta \approx 10\%$  at  $S/B=2$  with KOPIO

## Summary and outlook for $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$

**E949** has observed an additional  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  candidate.

**E949** & E787:  $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (1.47_{-0.89}^{+1.30}) \times 10^{-10}$

Central value is twice SM prediction.  $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = (0.78 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-10}$

Statistically consistent with SM prediction.

**E949** analysis of  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  for momenta  $P(\pi^+) < 195$  MeV/c in progress.

**E949**: Approved(1999), HEP at AGS halted(2002), other funding sources sought...

Another stopped- $K^+$  experiment to measure  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  under consideration at KEK(L-04) in Japan.  $K^+$  decay-in-flight experiments under consideration at FNAL(P940) and CERN(NA48/3). (<http://www3.bnl.gov/FutureK/>)

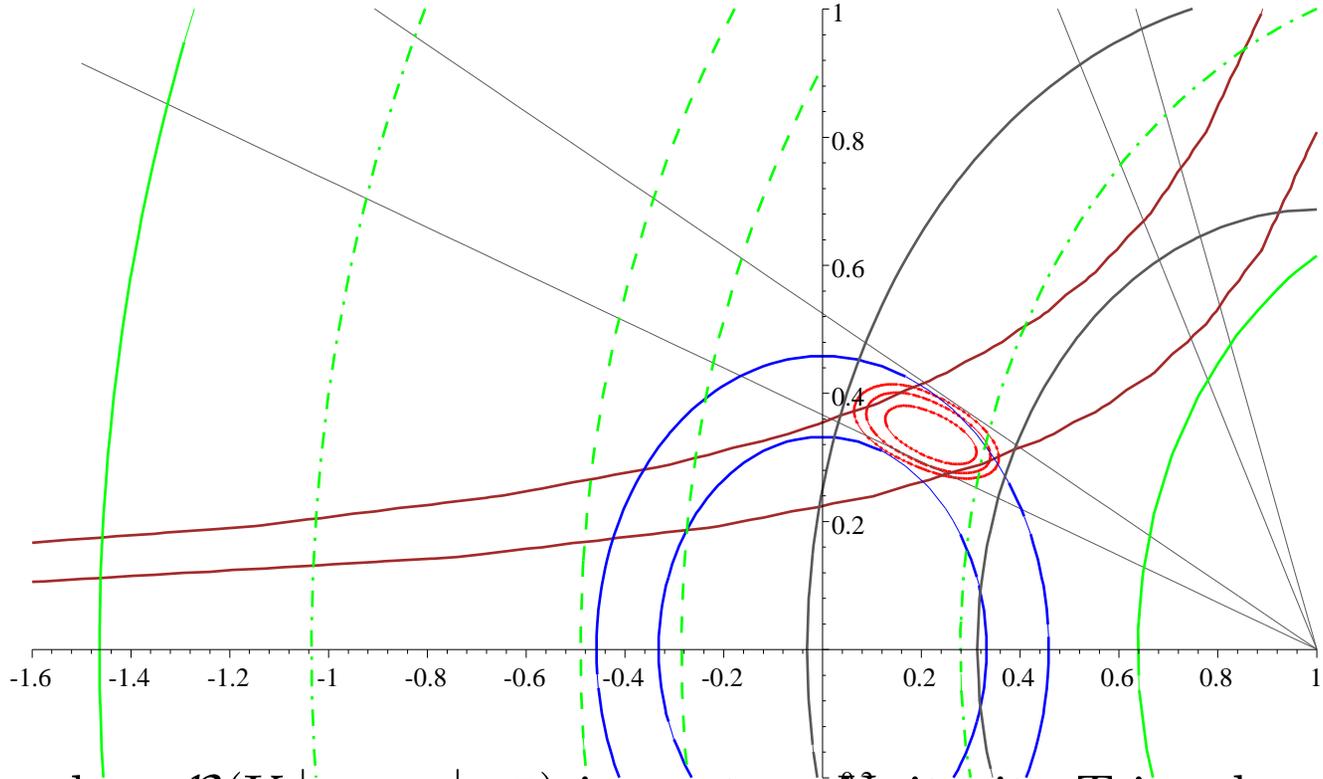
E391a: ( $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$  at KEK) Began stable data-taking in March 2004

**KOPIO**: Approved by NSF(2003), construction start in 2005, in need of zealous collaborators.

**These experiments would be able to test the precise predictions for  $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$  branching fractions.**

Extras

# Impact of $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$ on Unitarity Triangle

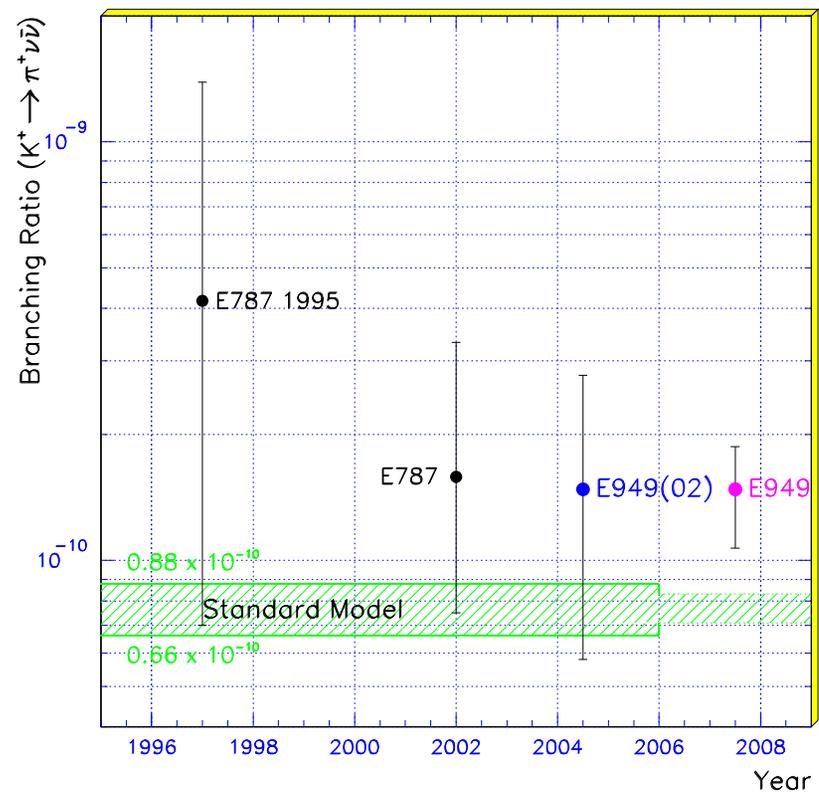
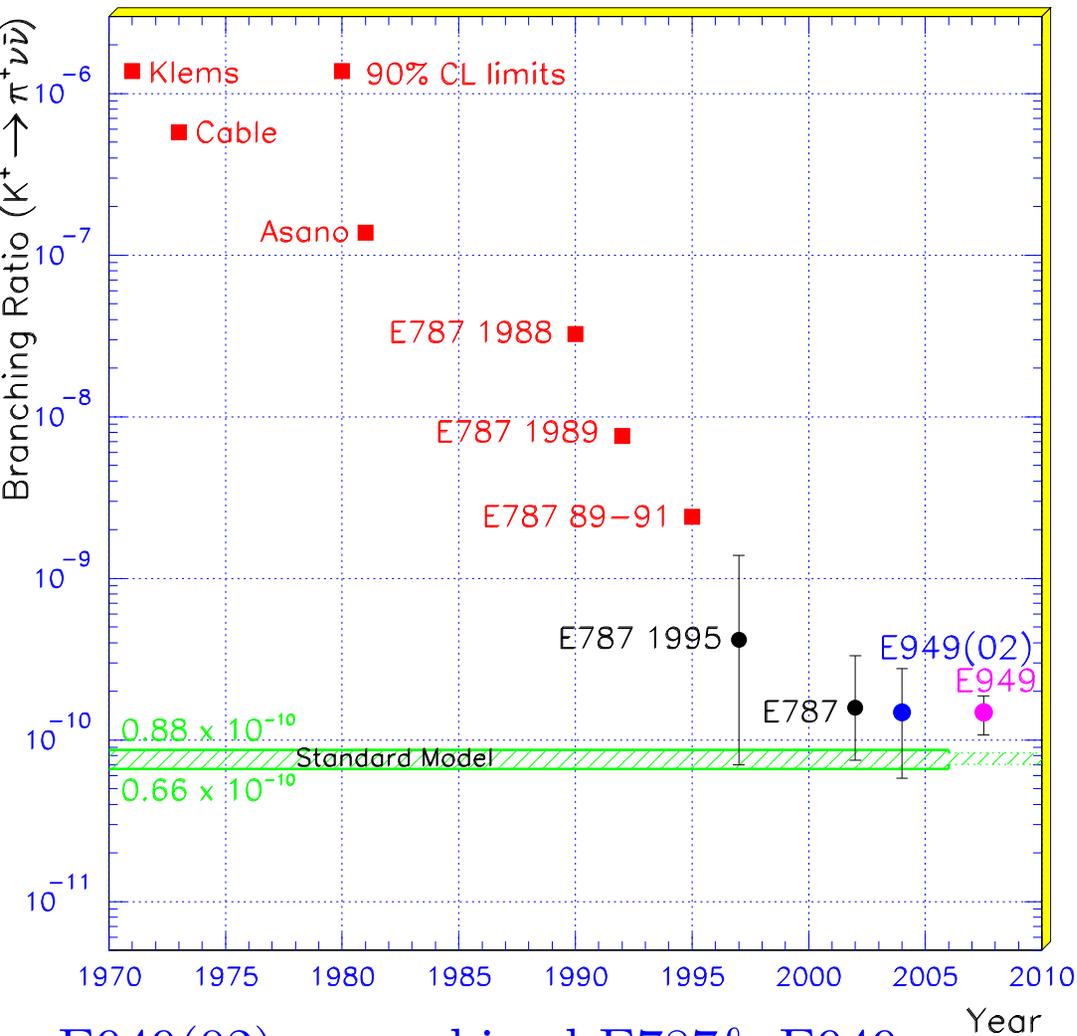


Green lines show  $\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$  impact on Unitarity Triangle: central value (dashed), 68% interval (dot-dash), 90% interval (solid). Theoretical uncertainty is included.

Red ovals show 68%, 90% and 95% areas from other measurements ( $|V_{ub}|$ ,  $\epsilon_K$ ,  $\sin 2\beta$ ,  $\Delta m_d$ ,  $\Delta m_s/\Delta m_d$ )

Provided by Gino Isidori.

# Progress in $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$



E949(02) = combined E787& E949.

E949 projection with full running period.

Narrowing of “SM prediction”  
assumes measurement of  $B_s$   
mixing consistent with prediction.

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathrm{K}^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}) = K_+ \left( \left[ \mathrm{Im} \lambda_t \frac{X}{\lambda^5} \right]^2 + \left[ \mathrm{Re} \lambda_c \frac{P_0}{\lambda} + \mathrm{Re} \lambda_t \frac{X}{\lambda^5} \right]^2 \right)$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathrm{K}_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) = K_0 \left( \left[ \mathrm{Im} \lambda_t \frac{X}{\lambda^5} \right]^2 \right)$$

$$\lambda_i \equiv V_{is}^* V_{id}$$

$$K_+ \equiv r_+ B$$

$$K_0 \equiv r_0 B \tau(\mathrm{K}_L^0) / \tau(\mathrm{K}^+)$$

$$B \equiv 3\alpha^2 \mathcal{B}(\mathrm{K}^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu) / 2\pi^2 \sin^4 \theta_W$$

$$X \equiv X(x_t) \equiv \frac{x_t}{8(x_t-1)} \left( x + 2 + \frac{3x-6}{x-1} \ln x \right)$$

$$x_t \equiv (m_t/m_W)^2$$

$$r_+ = 0.901$$

$$r_0 = 0.944$$

$$P_0 = 0.40 \pm 0.06 \text{ (charm)}$$

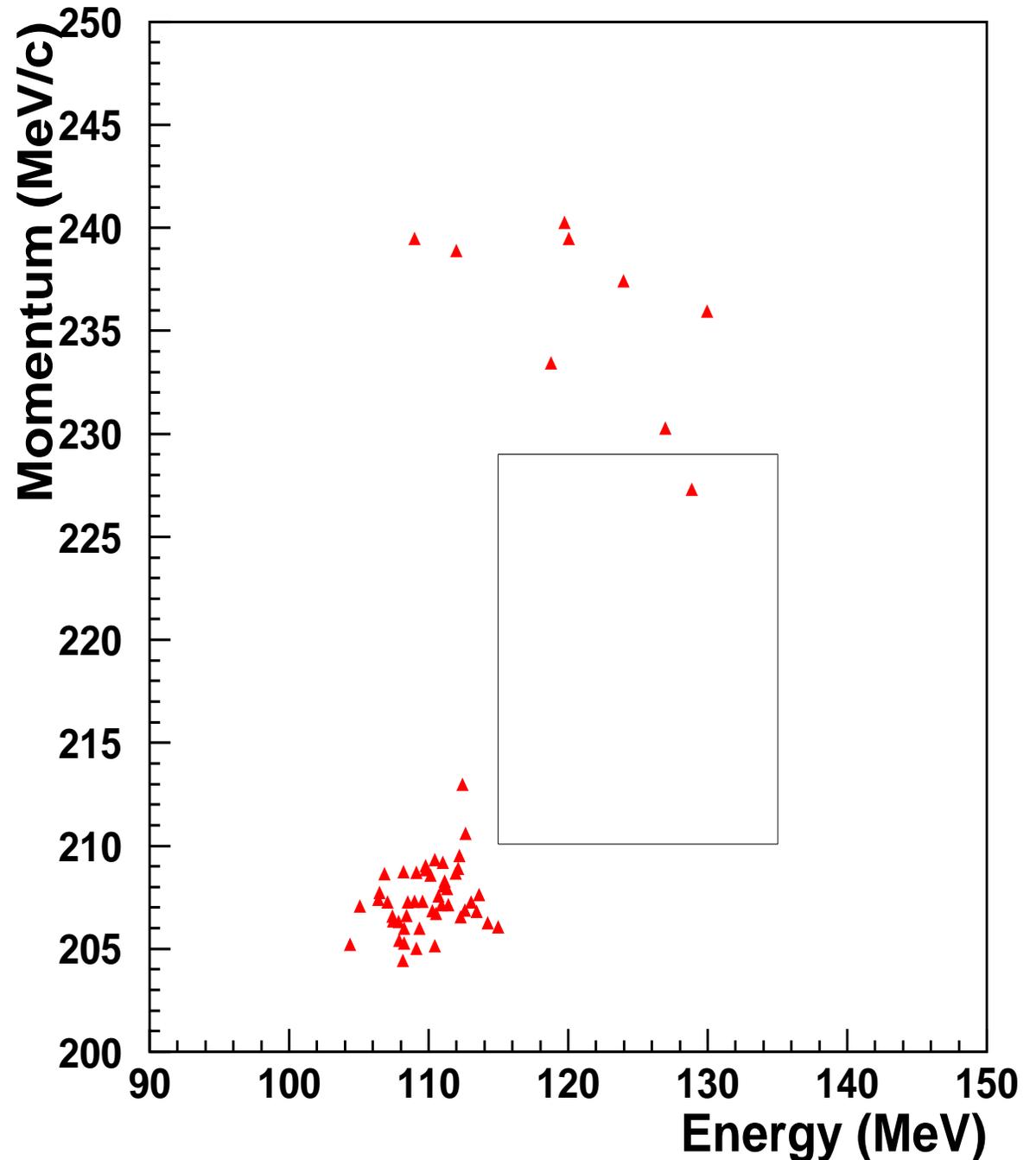
**Same candidate, different variables.**

Momentum (MeV/c) *vs*  
Energy (MeV/c) for E949  
data after all other cuts  
applied.

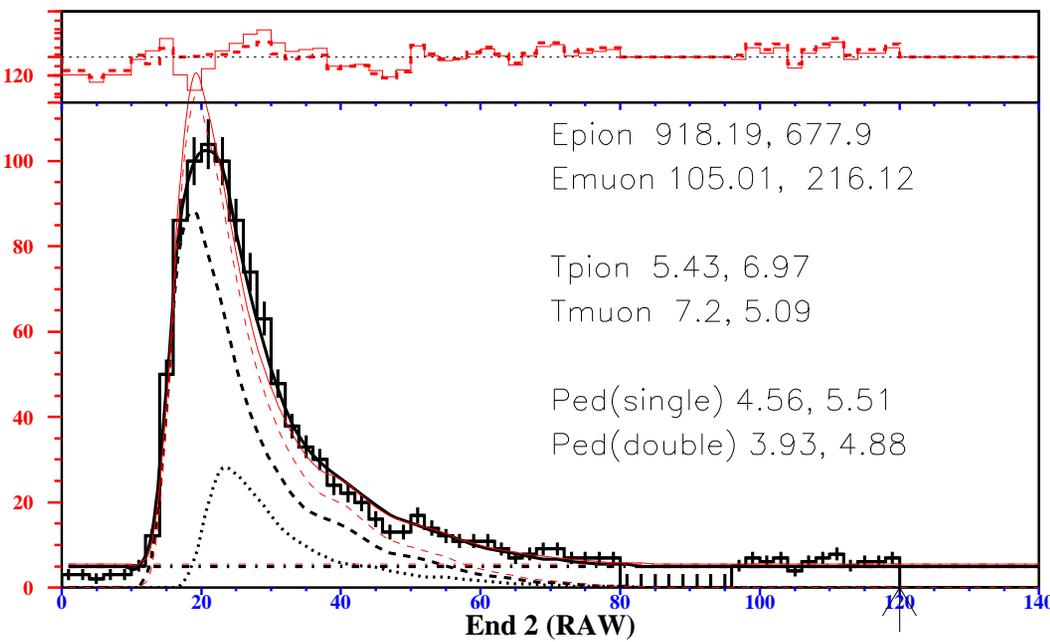
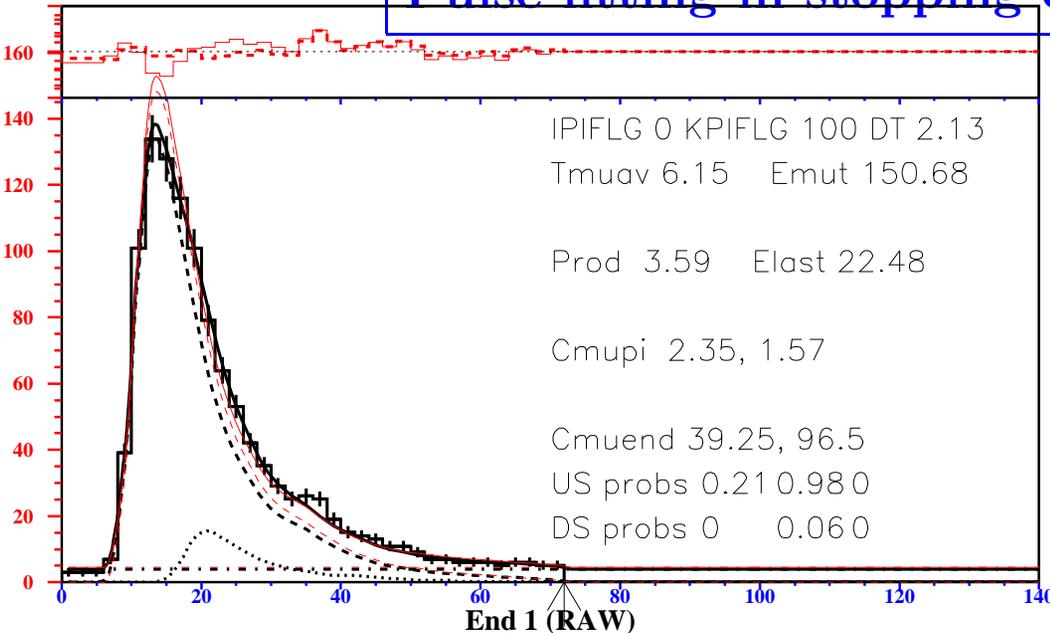
Solid line shows signal re-  
gion.

Events above signal region  
are unvetoes  $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ X$

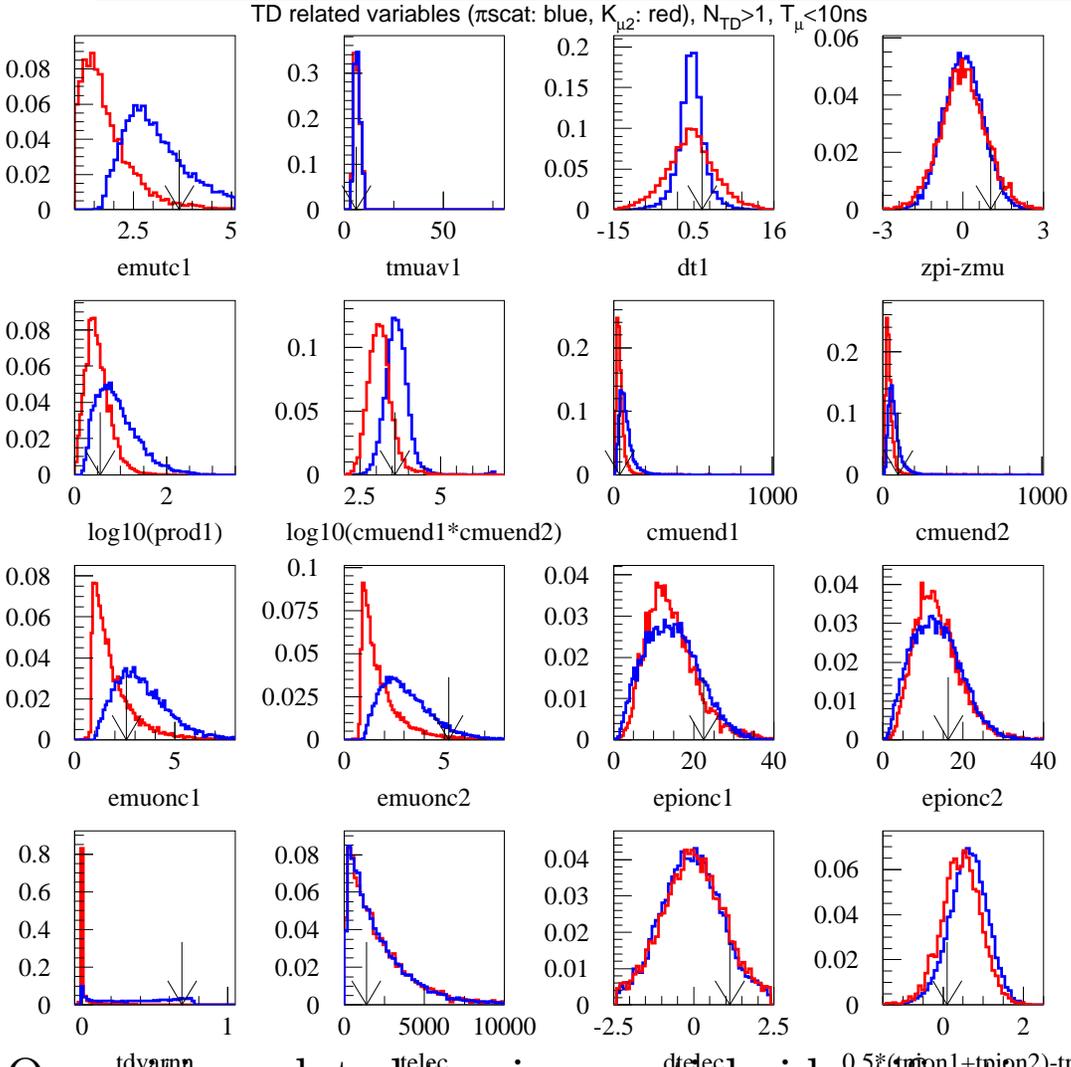
Cluster near 110 MeV  
is unvetoes  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ .



Pulse fitting in stopping counter



Compare TD properties of candidate with  $\pi^+$  and  $\mu^+$  samples



Quantities related to pion particle identification from TD variables. Events with similar background rejection and fitted muon time < 10 ns are selected. The pion signal (blue) and the muon background (red) are shown in the same plots. The arrows indicate the positions of the candidate event.

**Remind: E949-2002 beam conditions were not optimized**

- a failure of the AGS power supply
- reduced operating voltage of one of the DC separators
- 12 weeks

The conditions will be improved in the next run.

		E787	E949-'02	E949 optimized
AGS energy	GeV	24	22	24
beam spill	sec	2.2	2.2	4.1
cycle	sec	4.2	5.4	6.4
duty factor	%	52	41	64
$K^+ / \pi^+$		4	3	4
$N_K$ in the spill		1.8	2.5	5.0
$N_K$	MHz	0.8	1.2	1.2
rates in the detector	M		$\times 2$	$\times 2$ or less
beam time	weeks		12	$\geq 60$

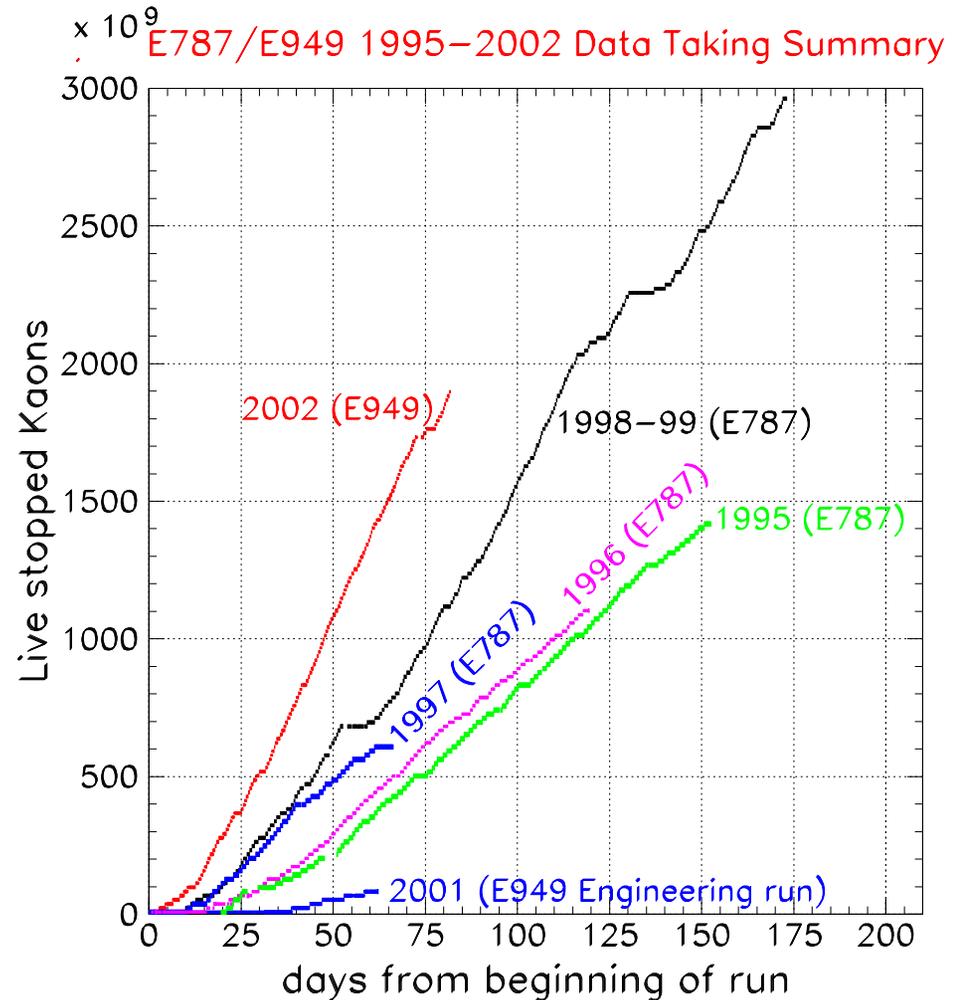
## E949 status for 2002 data taking

### Upgrades to E787:

- More protons/sec from AGS
- Improved photon veto hermeticity
- Improved tracking and energy resolution
- Higher rate capability due to DAQ and trigger improvements

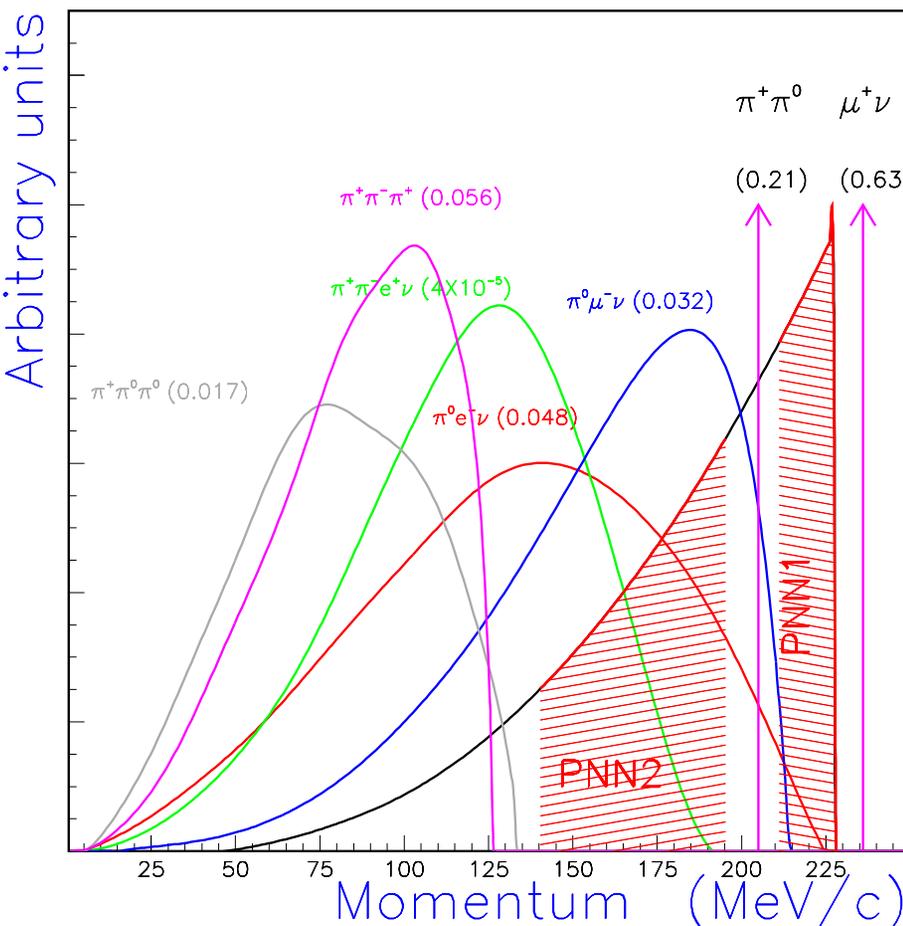
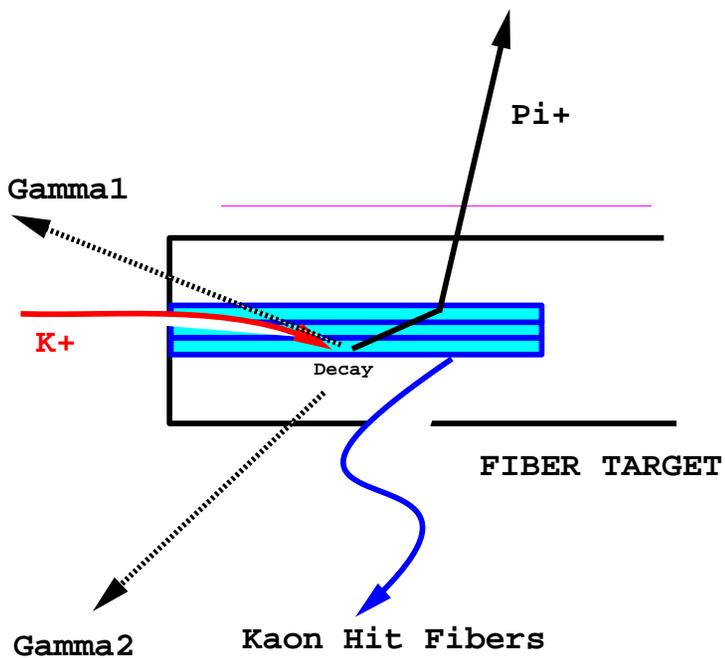
### Not optimal in 2002:

1. Spill duty factor.
2. Proton beam momentum.
3. K/ $\pi$  electrostatic separators.



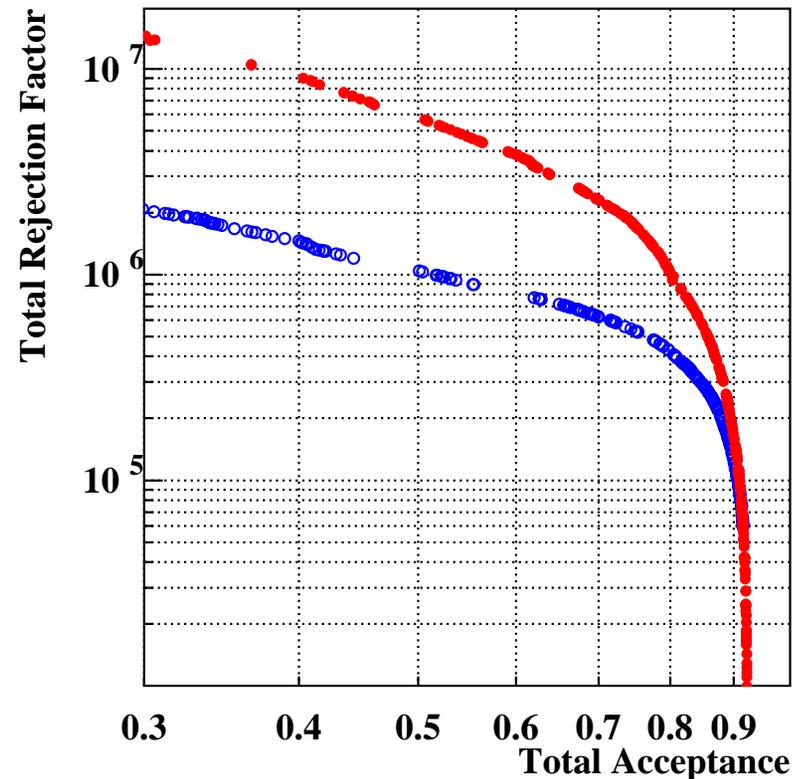
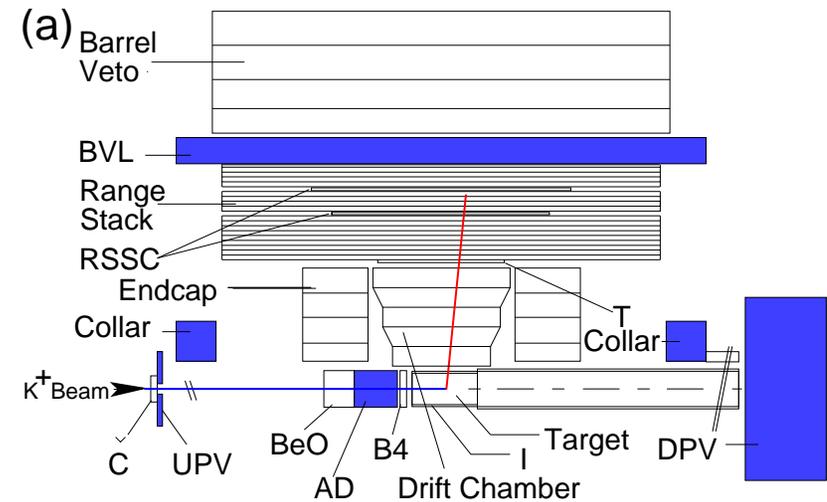
**PNN2:  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  below  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  peak**

- More phase space than PNN1
- Less loss due to  $\pi^+ N$  interactions
- $P(\pi^+) = (140,195) \text{ MeV}/c$  probes more of  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  spectrum
- Main background mechanism is  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  followed by  $\pi^+$  scatter in target.

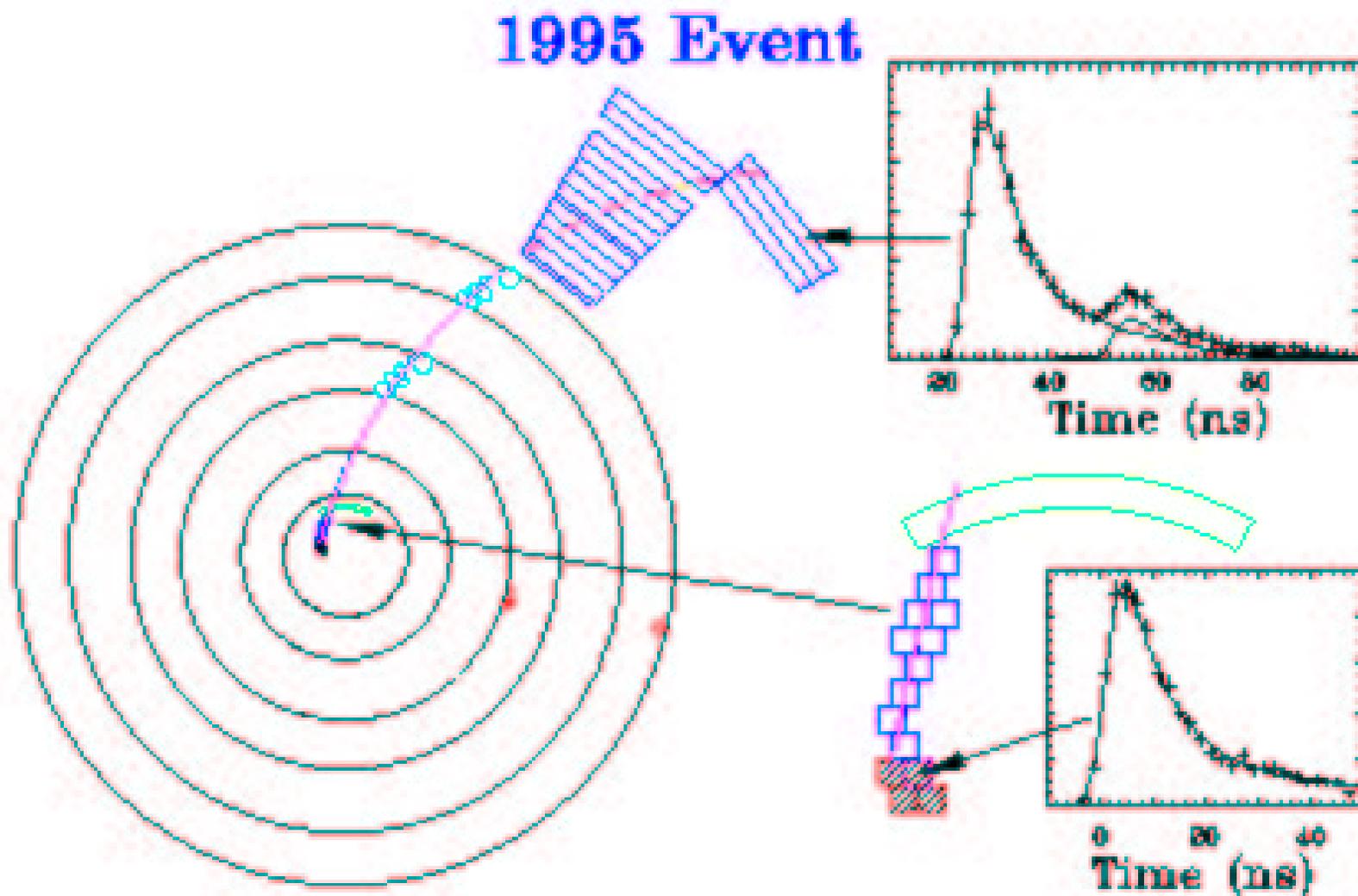


## E949 PNN2 analysis

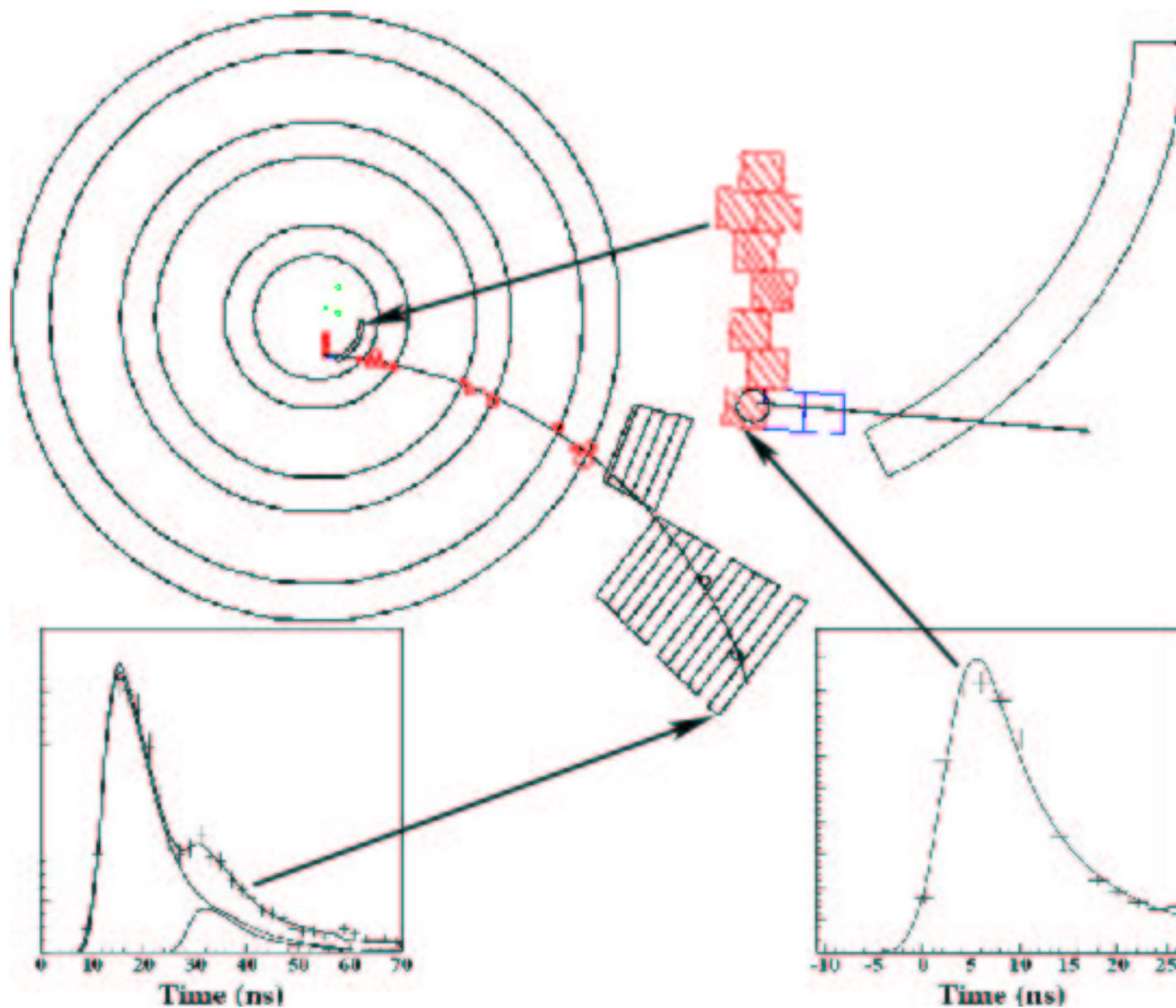
- E787: PNN2 acceptance approx. half PNN1 acceptance
- Goal is equal PNN2 and PNN1 sensitivity with  $S/B = 1$ . This implies  $\times 2$  increase in acceptance and  $\times 5$  increase in background rejection.
- Upgraded photon veto increased PNN1 background rejection. Quantitative assessment of improvement for PNN2 underway.
- Improved algorithms to identify  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  followed by  $\pi^+$  scatter in target.

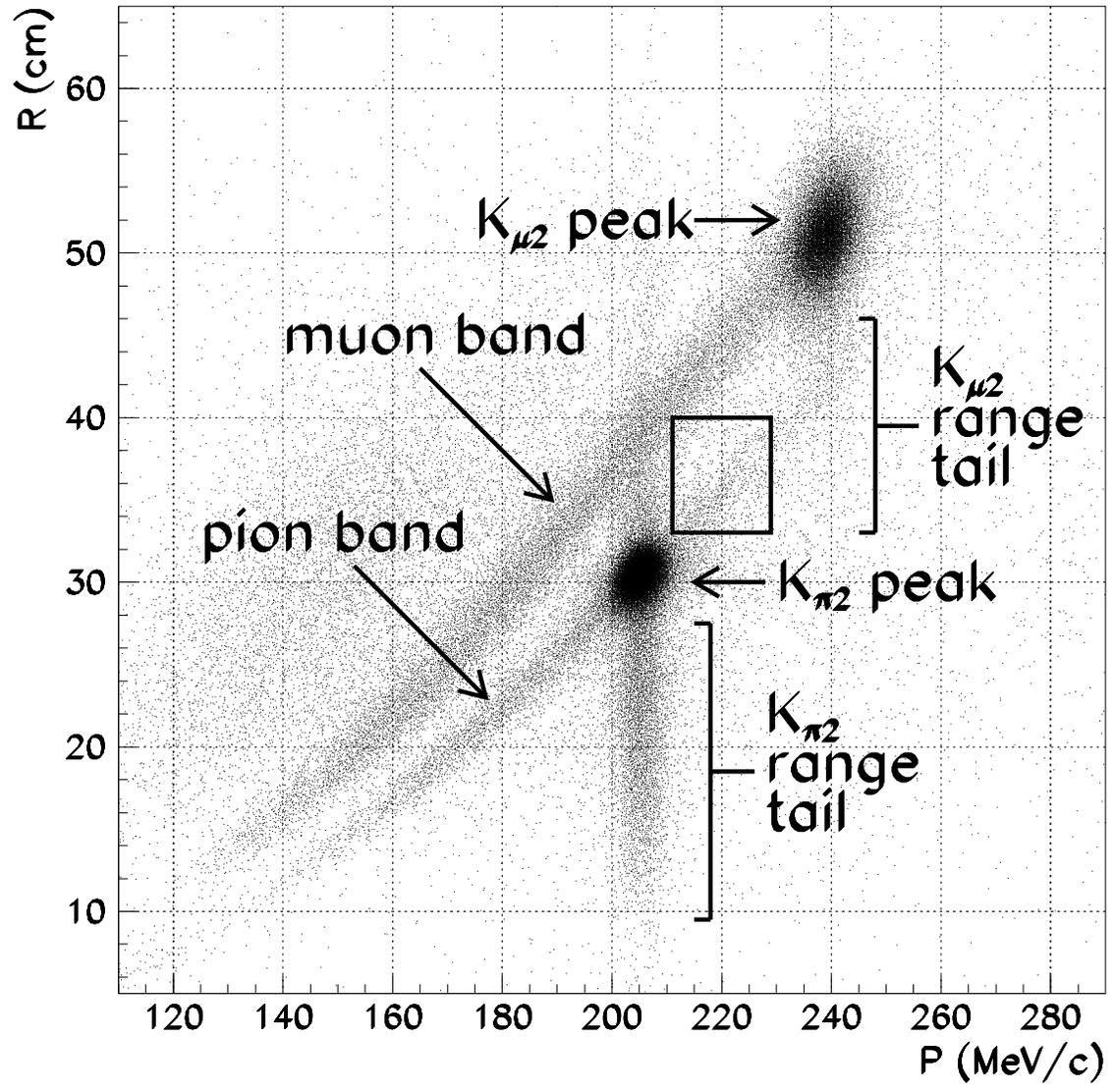


# Candidate E787A



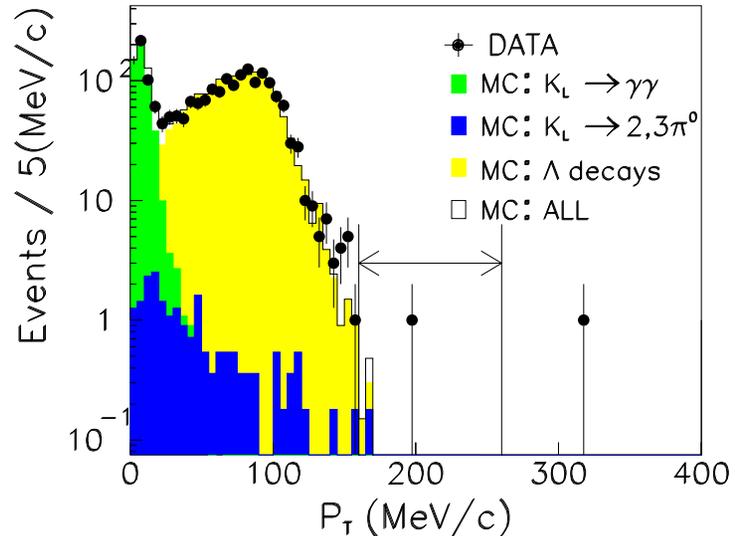
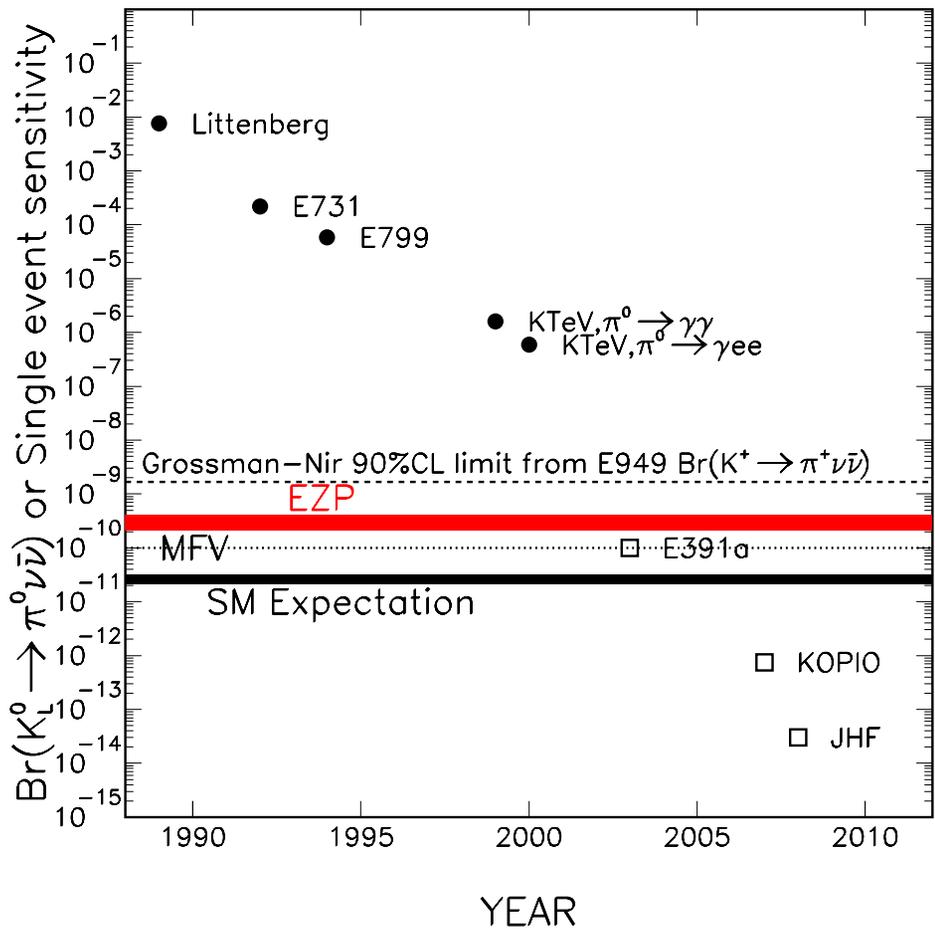
# Candidate E787C





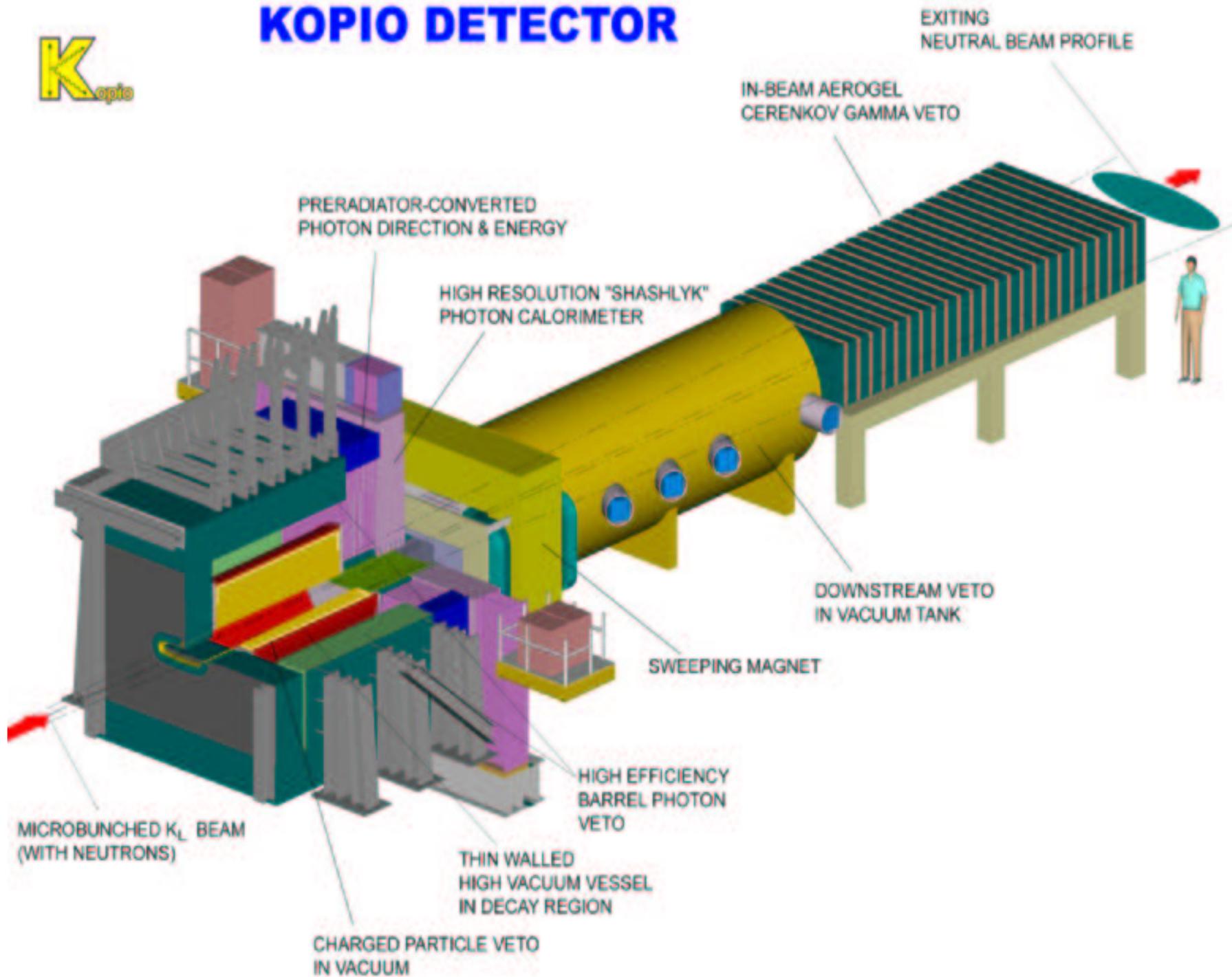
E949 Range *vs* Momentum accepted by trigger

# $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ Progress

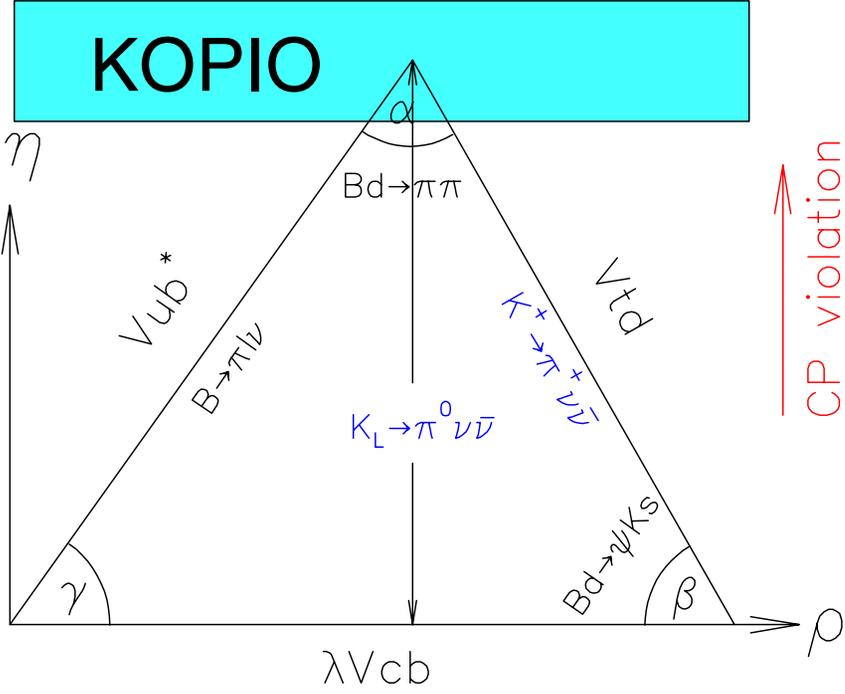


KTeV result with “pencil”  $K_L^0$  beam (PLB447 (1999) 240). E391a, JHF expts use a similar technique.

# KOPIO DETECTOR



# KOPIO signal and background estimates

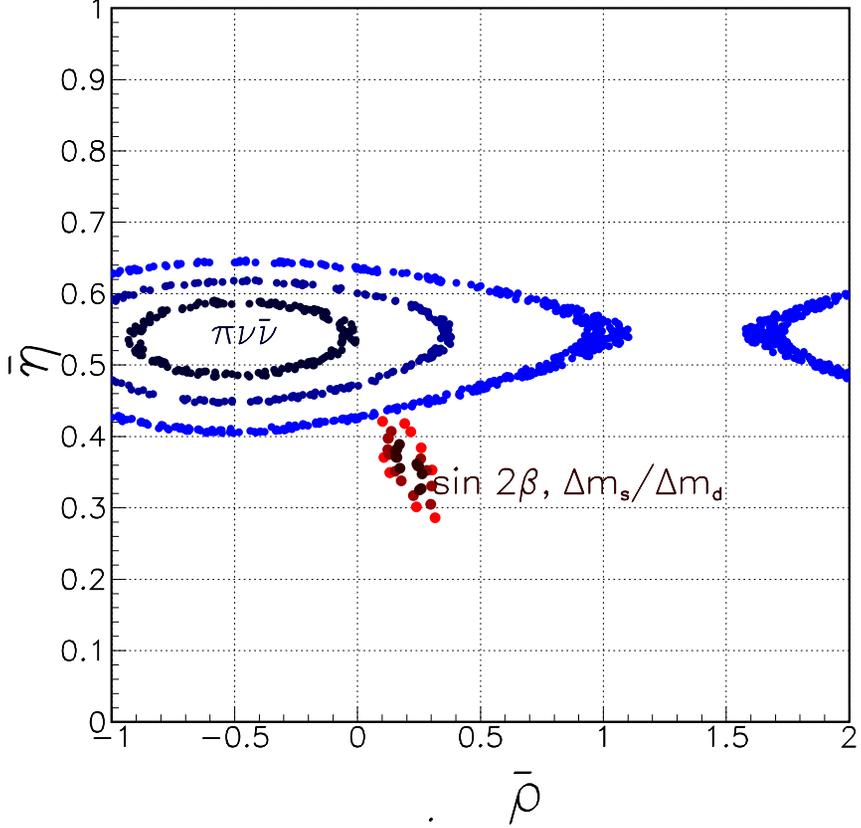


$\Delta\mathcal{B}/\mathcal{B} \approx 20\%$  or  
 $\Delta\eta/\eta \approx 10\%$  at  $S/B=2$

Process	Events
$K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ at SM rate	40
$K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$	12.4
$K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu \gamma$	4.5
$K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^0$	1.7
$K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^\pm e^\mp \nu$	0.02
$K_L^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$	0.02
$\Lambda \rightarrow \pi^0 n$	0.01
Interactions ( $nN \rightarrow \pi^0 X$ )	0.2
Accidentals	0.6
<b>Total Background</b>	<b>19.5</b>

Possible impact of E949, KOPIO  $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$  measurements

$n\sigma$  contours,  $n = 1, 2, 3$  (E949 expt)  $2*SM$



Assumptions:

E949 & KOPIO run for approved running period.  
 $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$  rates at twice SM expectation  
 $\Delta m_s = 17.0 \pm 1.7 \text{ ps}^{-1}$   
 $\sin 2\beta = 0.70 \pm 0.02$