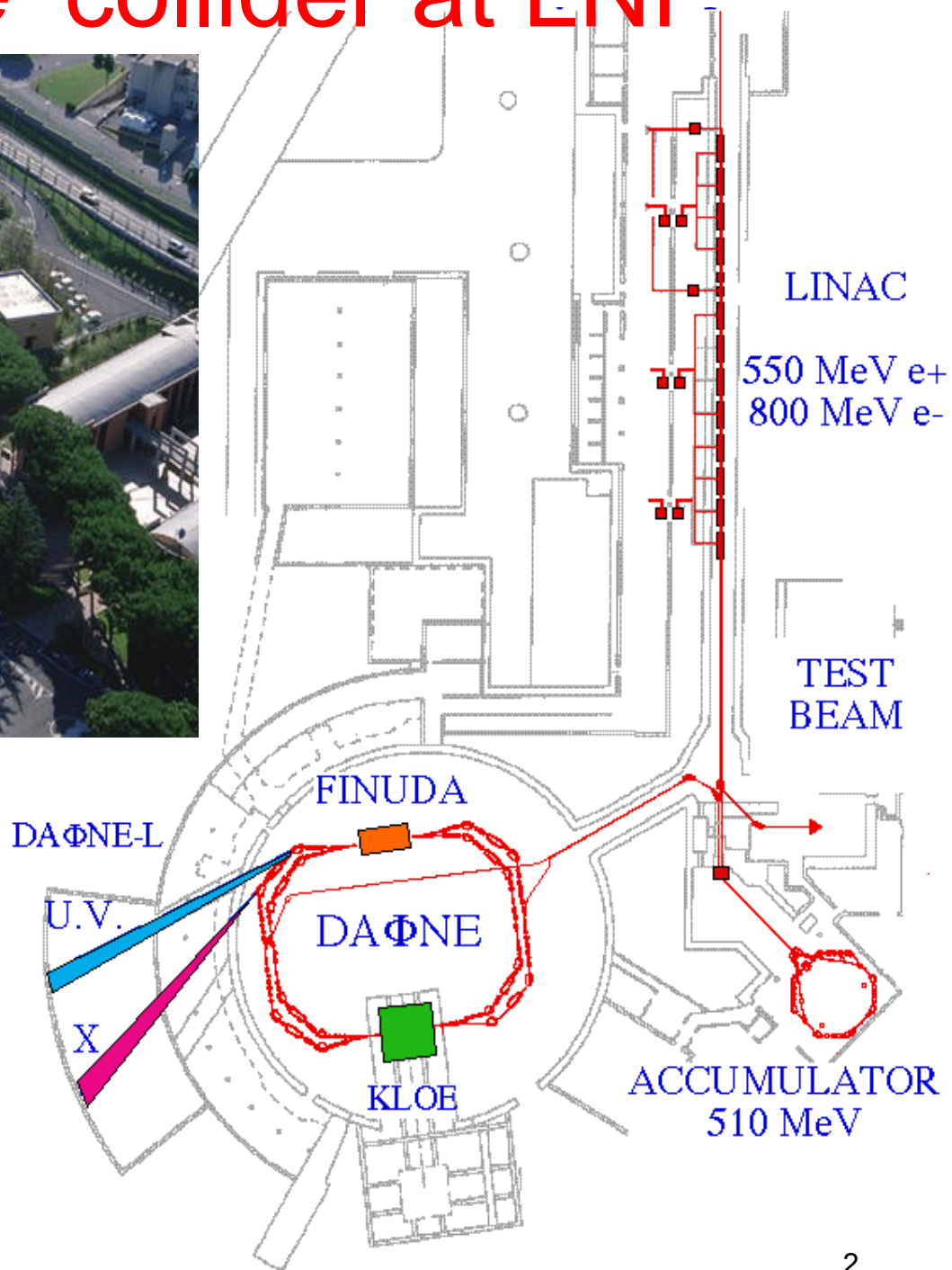


# $K_L$ and $K_S$ lifetime @KLOE

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# DAΦ NE $e^+e^-$ collider at LNF



- $\sqrt{s} \sim 1019.46 \text{ MeV} = m_\phi$
- $\sigma_\phi \sim 3 \mu\text{b}$  at peak
- crossing angle  $\sim 12.5 \text{ mrad}$

• **today**

$$L_{\text{peak}} = 4.5 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$

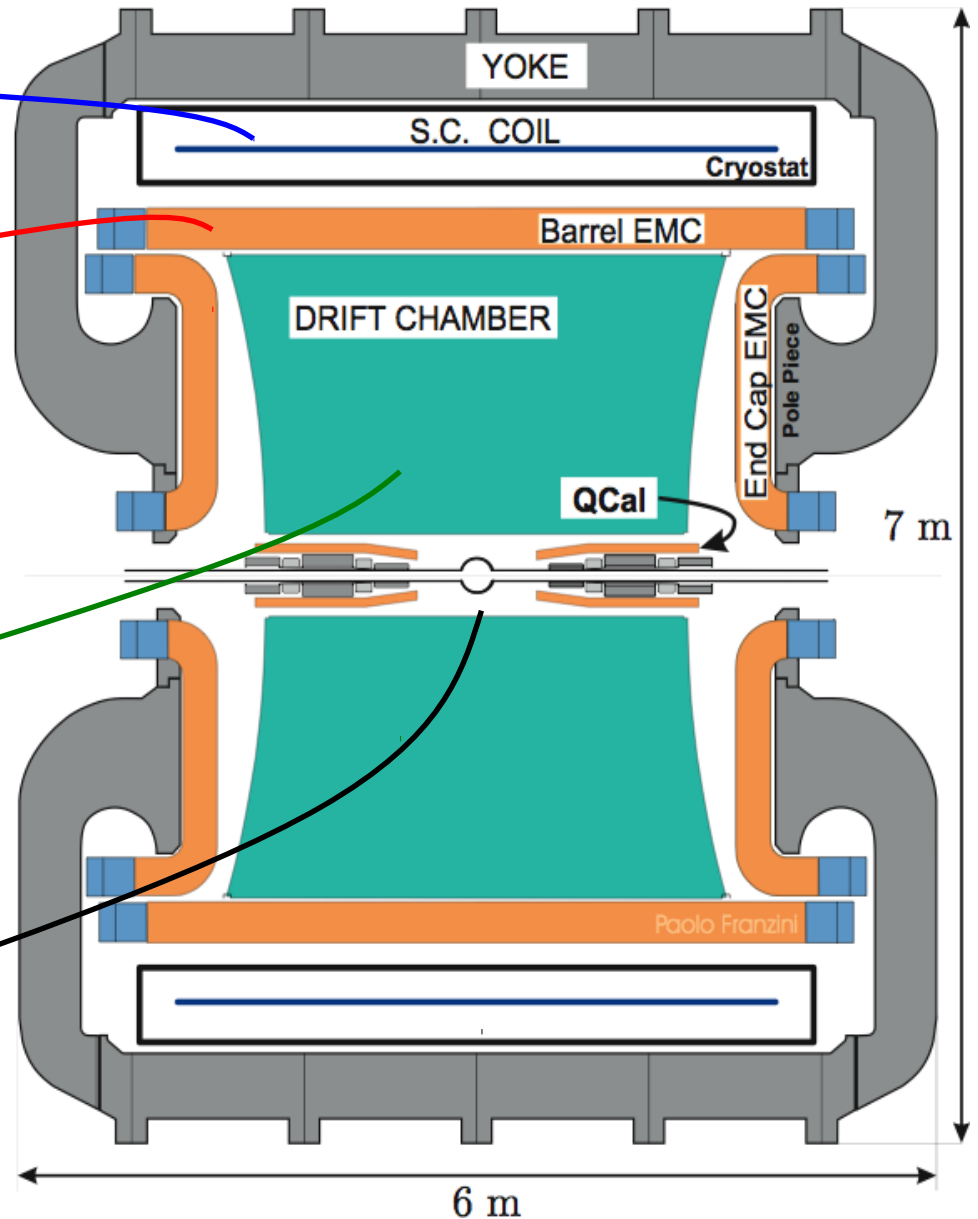
# The KLOE Experiment

**Magnet**  
SC coil,  $B = 0.52 \text{ T}$

**EM Calorimeter**  
Pb-scint fiber  
4880 PMs, 2440 cells

**Drift chamber**  
12582 sense wires  
52140 tot wires  
Carbon fiber walls

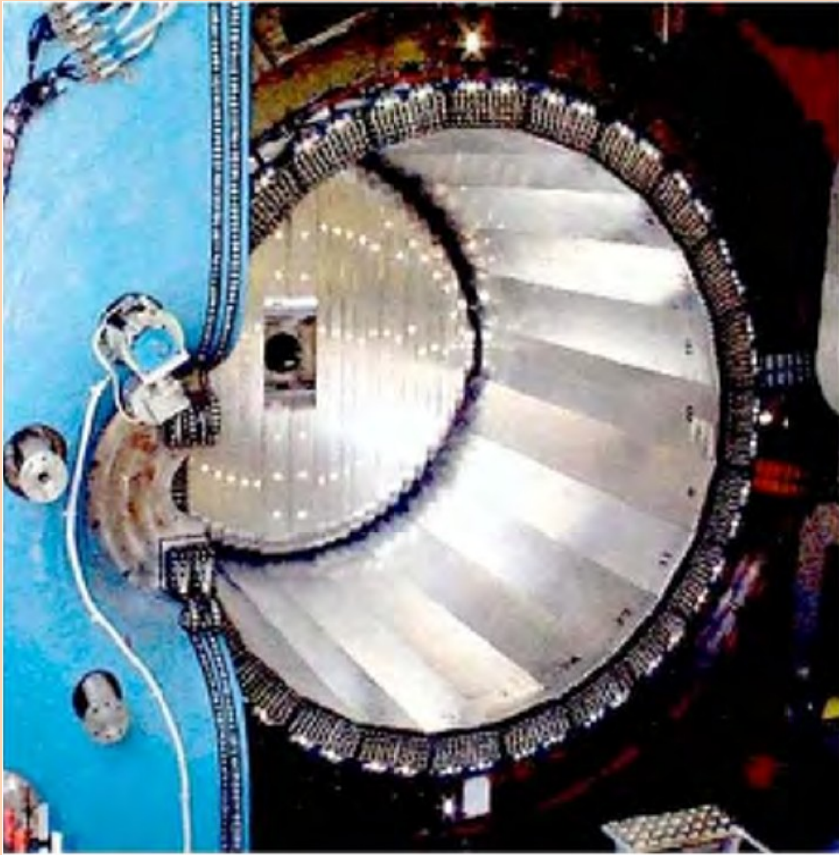
**Al-Be beam pipe**  
 $r = 10 \text{ cm}$ ,  $0.5 \text{ cm}$   
thick



# Detector performances

$$\sigma_E/E = 5.7\% / \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}$$

$$\sigma_t = 54 / \sqrt{E(\text{GeV})} \oplus 140 \text{ ps}$$



**EM Calorimeter**

## Drift Chamber



$$\sigma(p_{\perp})/p_{\perp} = 4\%, \sigma(m_{K_S}) = 1 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\sigma_{x,y} = 150 \mu\text{m}; \sigma_z = 2 \text{ mm}; \sigma_{vtx} = 1 \text{ mm}$$

# Neutral kaon physics @ KLOE

$K_S \longleftarrow \phi \longrightarrow K_L$	$\phi$ decay mode	BR
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}( K_L, p\rangle K_S, -p\rangle -  K_L, -p\rangle K_S, p\rangle)$	$K^+K^-$	$\sim 49\%$
	$K_S K_L$	$\sim 34\%$

- The  $\phi$  decay at rest provides **monochromatic** and **pure** beam of slow kaons ( $p^*=110$  MeV/c,  $\beta\sim 0.22$ );  
 **$\rightarrow$  interference measurements**
- $K_S$  ( $K_L$ ) decay signals presence of  $K_L$  ( $K_S$ )  $\rightarrow$  **absolute BRs**

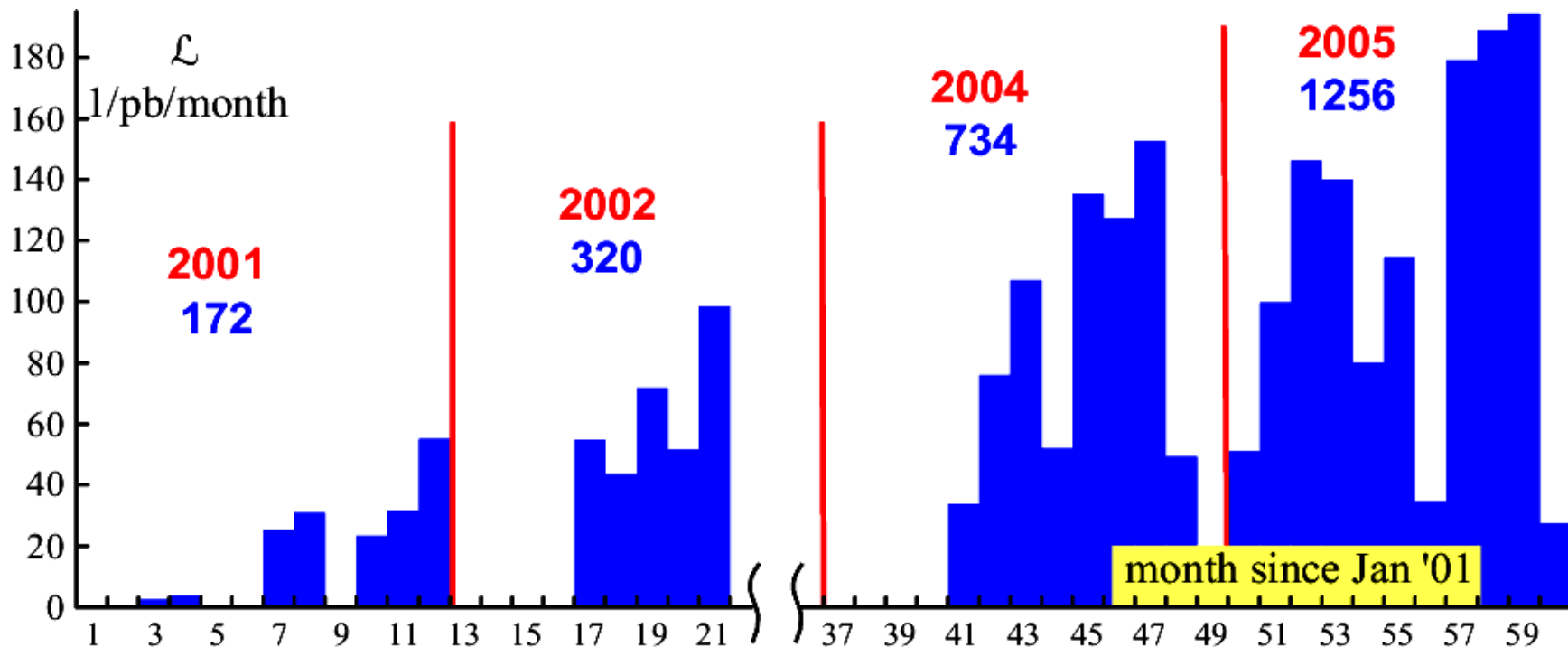
$$\lambda_S = 6 \text{ mm}; \lambda_L = 3.4 \text{ m}$$



All of  $K_S$  decays inside the beam pipe

$\rightarrow \sim 40\%$  of  $K_L$  decays inside the DC

# Summary of KLOE data taking



$$\int L = 2.2 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ @ } \phi \text{ peak}$$

yielding  $2 \times 10^9$   $K_S K_L$  pairs

# $K_L$ lifetime @ kloe

- ⇒ before KLOE : last measurement,  
~1% , Vosburgh, 1972
- ⇒ input for  $V_{us}$  determination

# **$K_L$ lifetime sample selection**

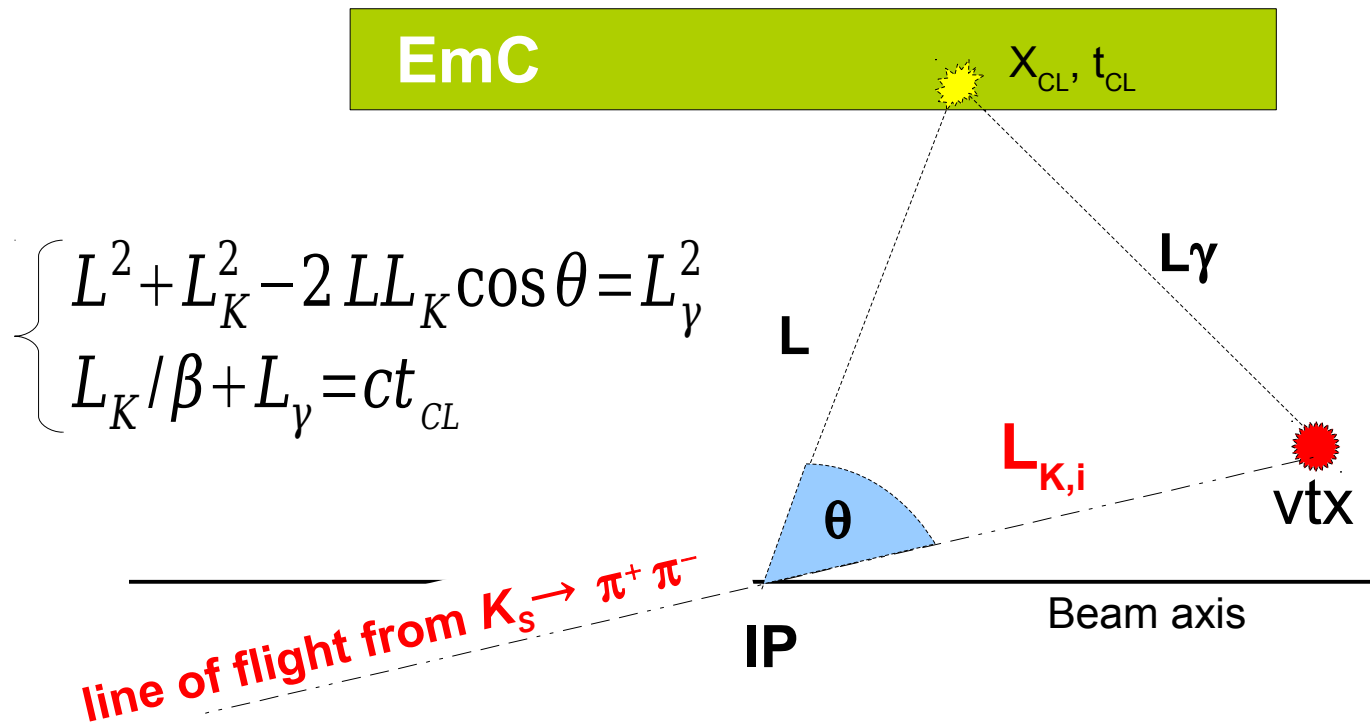
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- Fit to the proper time distribution for  $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$  decay events (large BR~21% and low BKG~1%)
- $K_L$  tagged by  $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$  (2 OS tracks from  $\sim$ IP,  $|M_{\pi\pi} - M_K| < 5$  MeV ...)
- We require at least  $N_\gamma \geq 3$  clusters in EmC not associated to any track,  $E_i > 20$  MeV,  $d_{ij} > 50$ cm)
- FV  $\sim 40^\circ < \theta_K < 140^\circ$
- A sample of  $\sim 45$  million  $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$  decays is selected



# $K_L$ lifetime vertex reconstruction

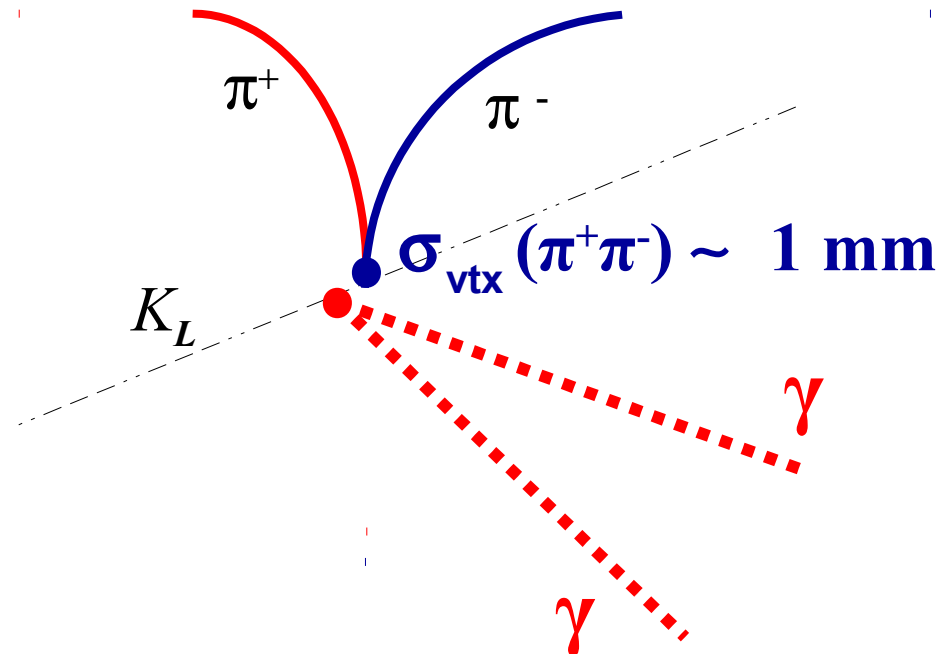
- For each cluster not associated to any track  $\rightarrow L_{K,i}$



- $K_L$  decay path  $L_K$  is obtained from the energy **weighted average** of two closest clusters; the 3<sup>rd</sup> within  $5\sigma(L_K)$

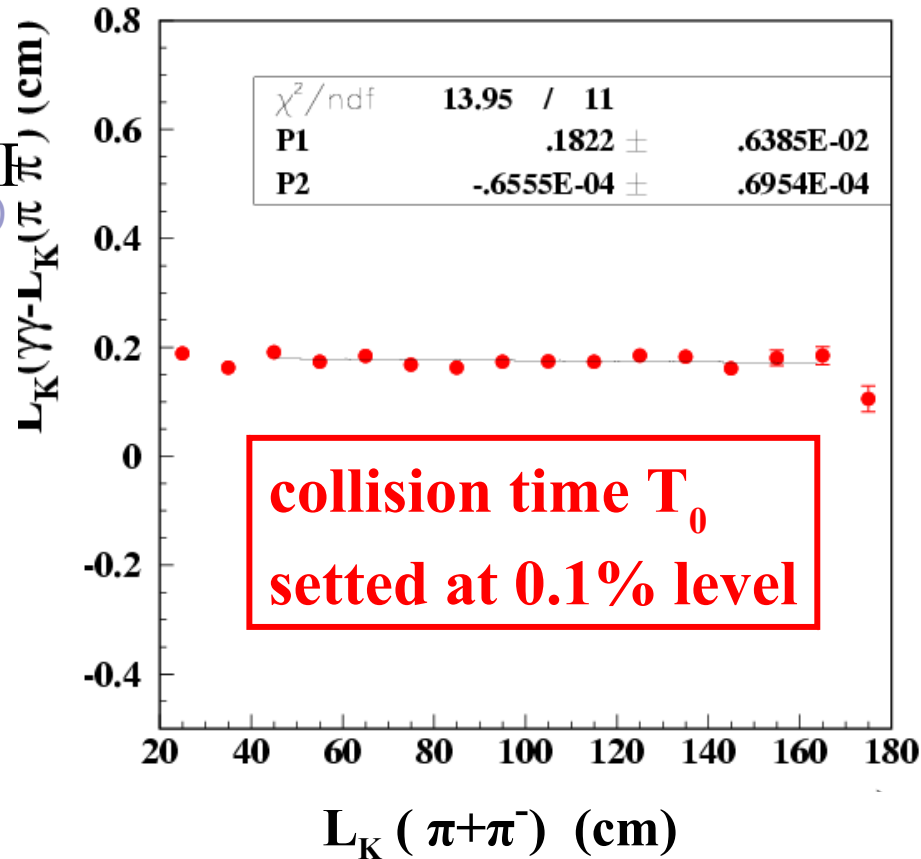
# $K_L$ lifetime control sample

- We use  $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$  control sample to measure :
  - $\Rightarrow L_K$  accuracy (EmC time scale calibration)
  - $\Rightarrow$  vertex resolution
  - $\Rightarrow$  vertex reconstruction efficiency

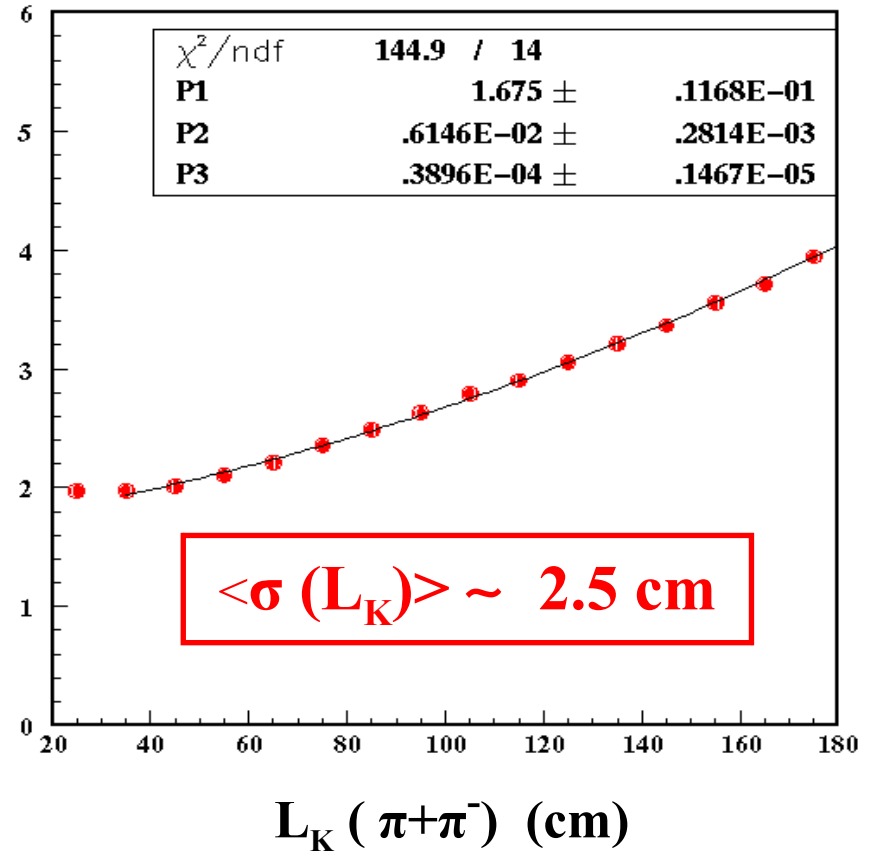


# $K_L$ lifetime control sample (II)

## EmC Time Scale:

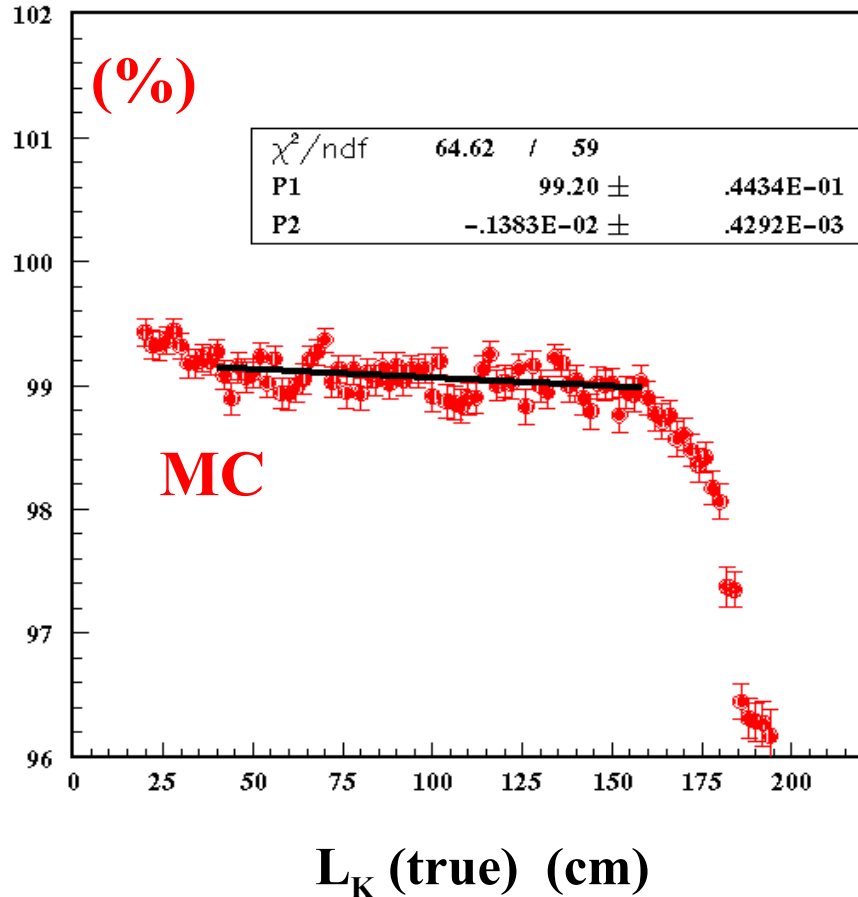


## Vertex resolution:

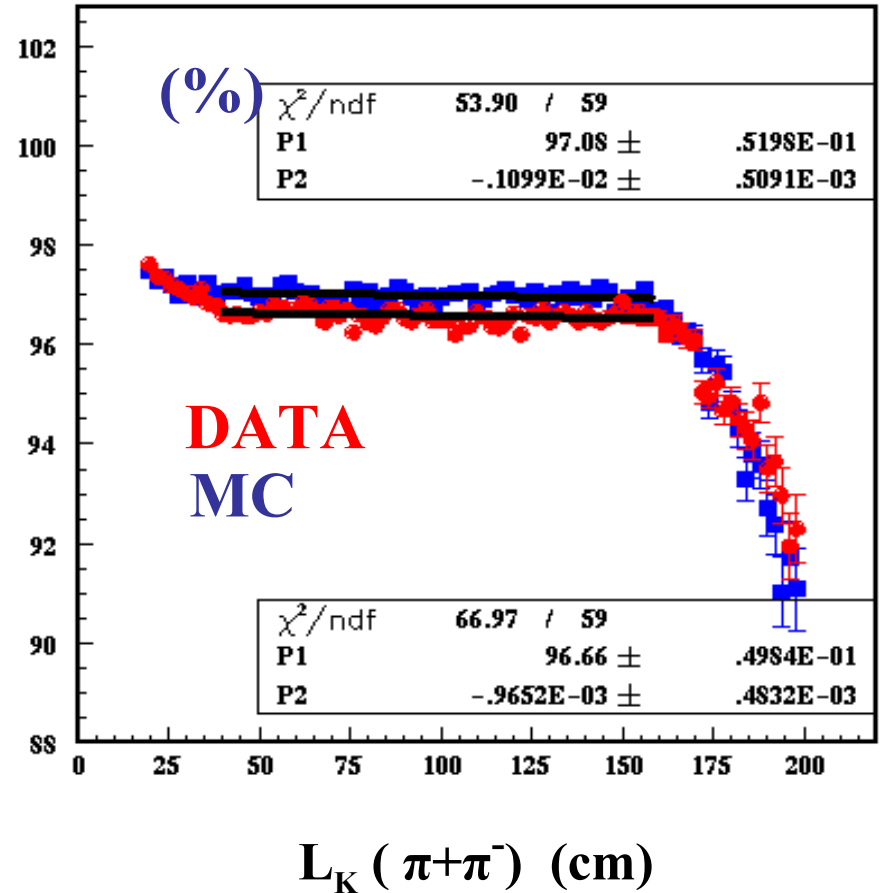


# $K_L$ lifetime control sample (III)

vertex rec. efficiency for  $3\pi^0$



vertex rec. efficiency for  $\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$



$$\epsilon \sim \epsilon_{\text{MC}} \left( \frac{\epsilon_{\text{DT}}}{\epsilon_{\text{MC}}} \right)^{\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0}$$

# $K_L$ lifetime background

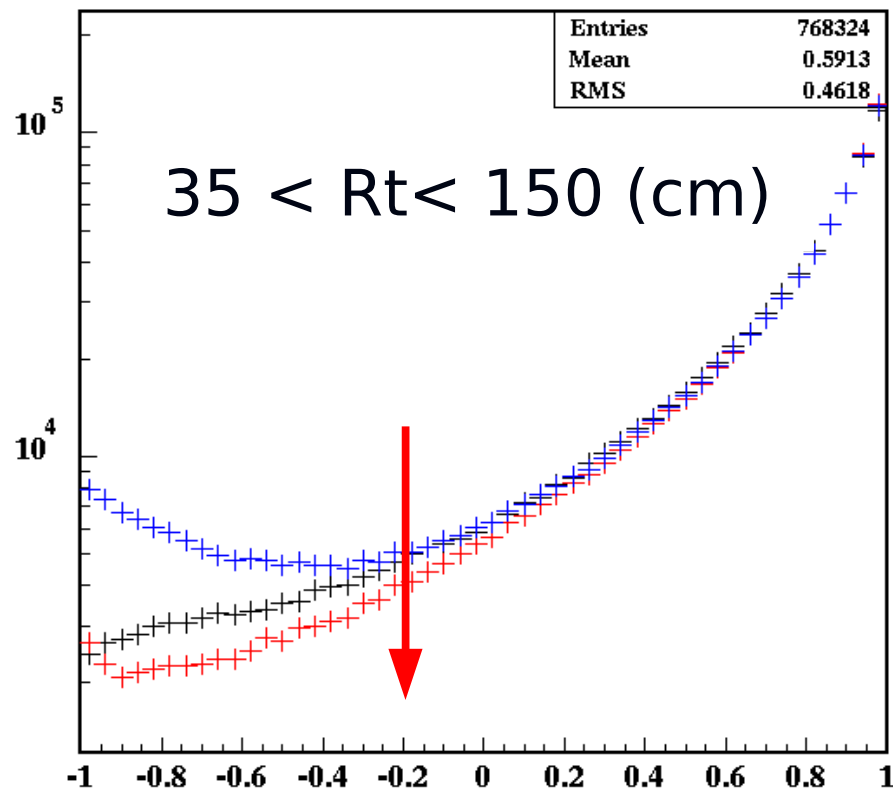
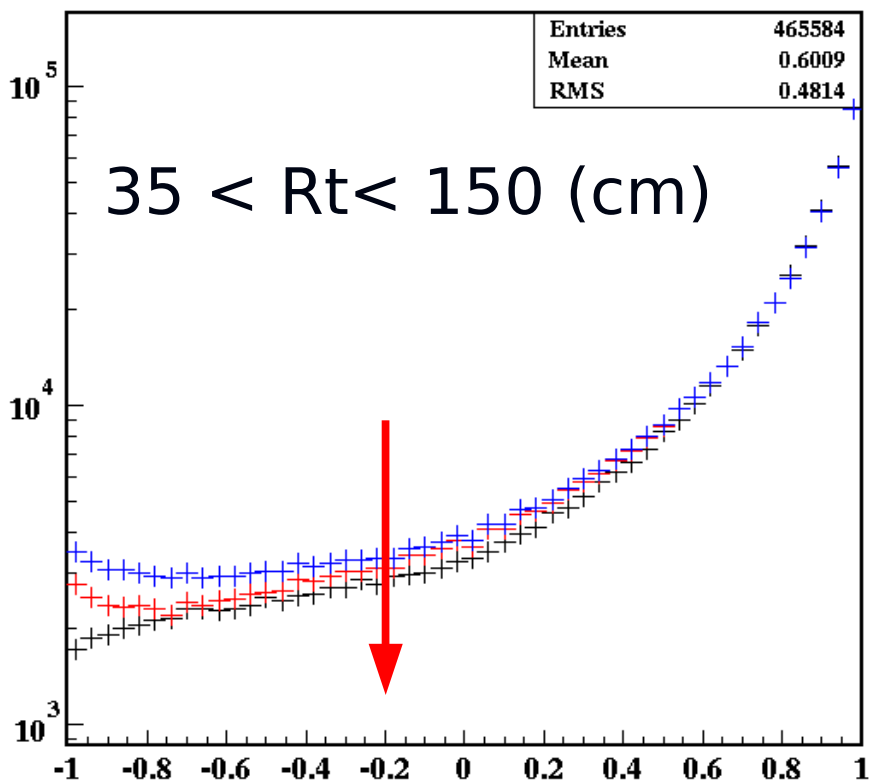
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- To reduce BKG from  $\sim 5\% \rightarrow \sim 1\%$  require a  $E_{CL} > 50$  MeV on the barrel, no tracks approaching the  $K_L$  line of flight by less than 20 cm :

channel	B/(S+B)
- $K_L \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	0.44 %
- $K_L \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$	0.42 %
- $K_L \rightarrow K_S \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$	0.28 %
- $K_L \rightarrow$ other	0.1 %

# $K_L$ lifetime bkg from nuclear interaction

- $K_L$  interactions with DC (reg.+ $\Lambda$ + $\Sigma$ ) bias lifetime (reduce  $L_K$ );
- $$\cos \alpha = \vec{P}_{K_L} * \left( \sum_{i=1,n} \vec{p}_i \right) / \left| \vec{P}_{K_L} \right| \left| \left( \sum_{i=1,n} \vec{p}_i \right) \right|$$



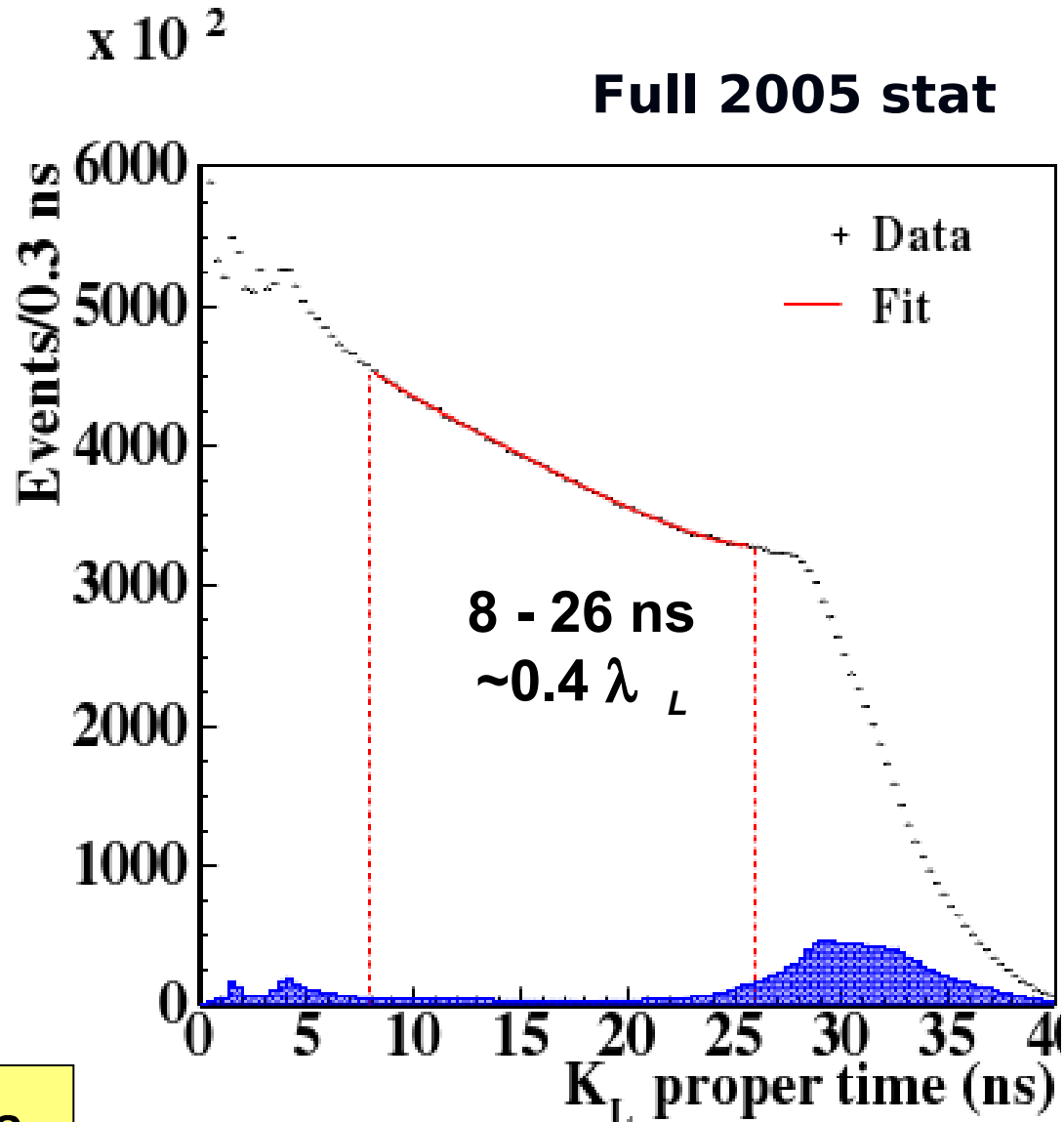
**Blue : MC with Nuclear Interactions**

**Red : MC without Nuclear Interactions**

**Black : Data**

# $K_L$ lifetime fit

- Fit to proper time  $t^*$  distribution  $t^* = L_K / \beta \gamma c$  (ns)
- exponential decay function convolute with resolution ;
- Many effects distorting distribution have been corrected ;



$$\tau_{K_L} = (50.56 \pm 0.14_{\text{stat}}) \text{ ns}$$

# $K_L$ lifetime systematics

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<b>Source</b>	<b>value</b> (ns)
- tagging eff.	0.17
- selection eff.	0.08
- time scale	0.06
- bkg sub	0.08
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Total	0.21



# $K_L$ lifetime preliminary result

$$\tau_{K_L} = (50.56 \pm 0.14_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.21_{\text{syst}}) \text{ ns}$$

0.10

0.15

- Previous Kloe direct measurement :

$$\tau_{K_L} = (50.92 \pm 0.17_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.25_{\text{syst}}) \text{ ns}$$

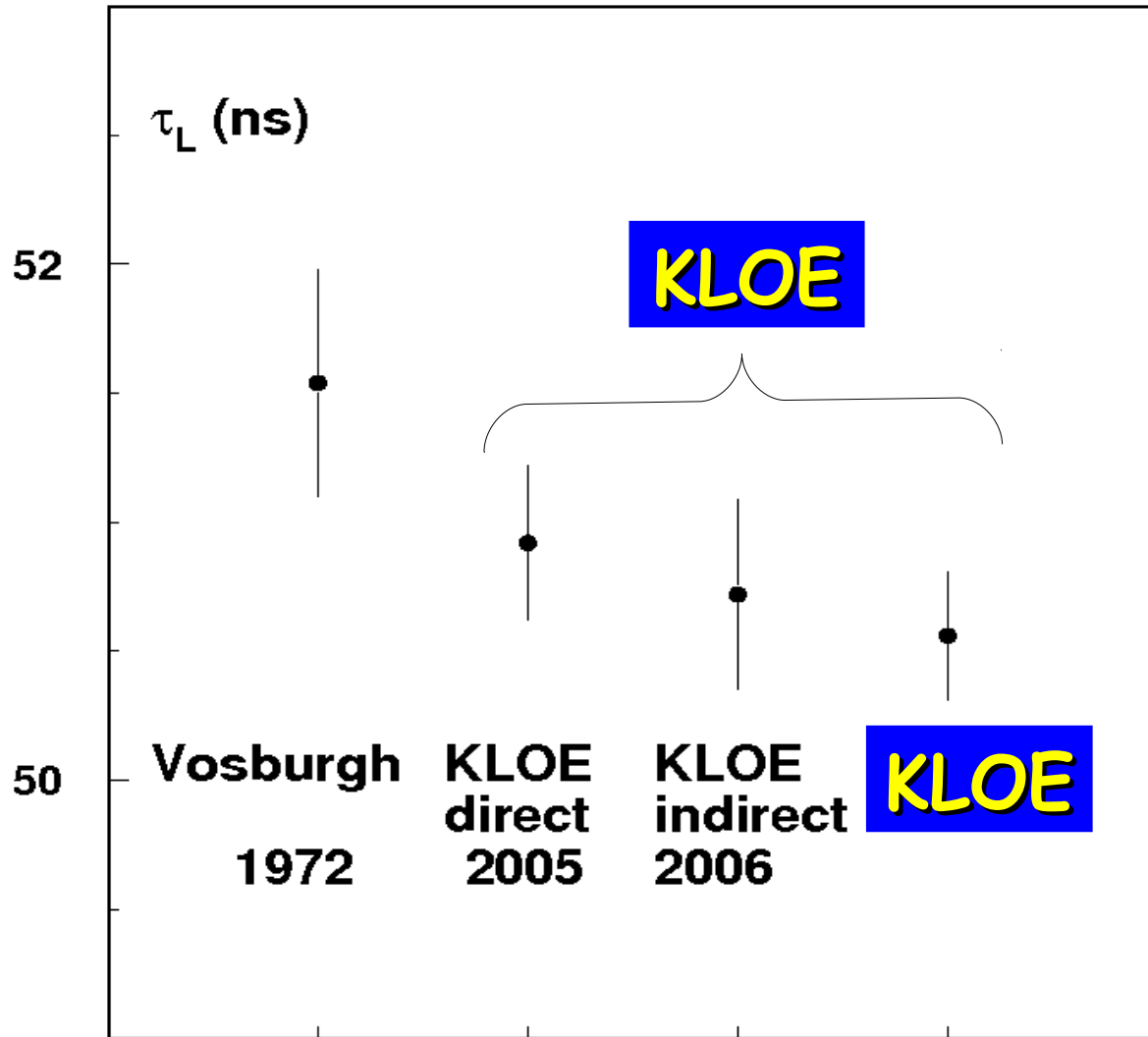
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- BR(  $K_L \rightarrow$  all ) depends on the  $K_L$  lifetime through the acceptance. Assuming BR(  $K_L \rightarrow$  all ) = 1 we have an indirect measurement of  $K_L$  lifetime :

$$\tau_{K_L} = (50.72 \pm 0.11_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.35_{\text{syst}}) \text{ ns}$$

**Phys. Lett. B632: 43-50 (2006)**

# $K_L$ lifetime results on the market



# $K_S$ lifetime @ kloe

⇒ with  $K_S$  lifetime, Kloe provides all inputs for  $V_{us}$  determination

# $K_S$ Lifetime introduction

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- Fit to proper time distribution,  $t^* = L_K / \beta\gamma c = L_K M_K / c p_K$   
using  $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$  decay events
- Needs for  $O(10^{-4})^*$  measurement :
  - $O(10^7)$   $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ , not a problem with the KLOE data set,  $0.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (2004)
  - Calibration of  $K_S$  momentum at  $10^{-4}$ : determination from  $\sqrt{s}$  and kinematic ;
  - Decay length resolution: improve resolution as much as possible ;
  - Calibration of decay point: use redundant  $K_S$  momentum determination,  $p_{\pi\pi}$  and  $p_K$

\*  $\sim$  accuracy of WA (NA48 + KTeV)

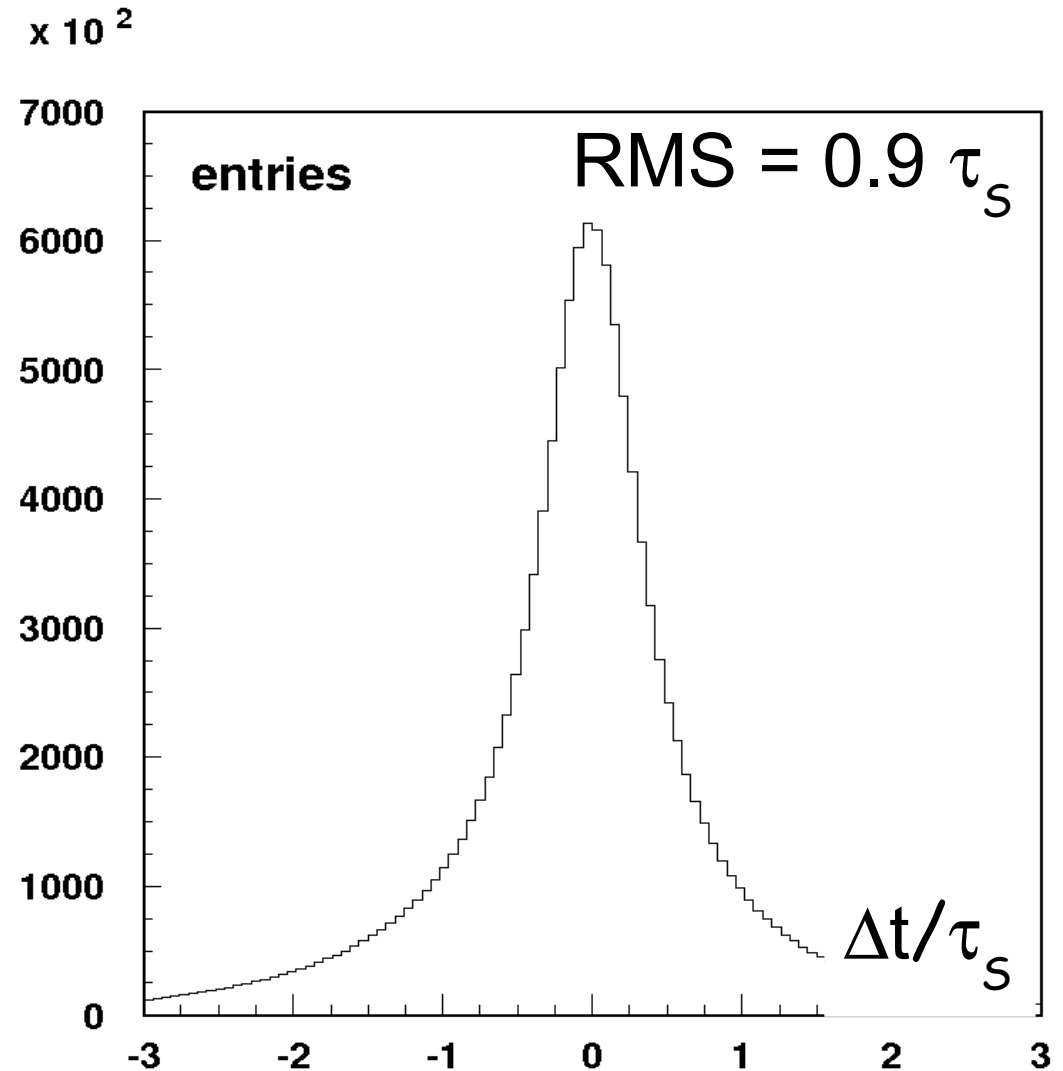
# $K_S$ Lifetime sample selection

- 2 tracks from  $\sim$  IP with

$$|M_{\pi\pi} - M_K| < 5 \text{ MeV}$$

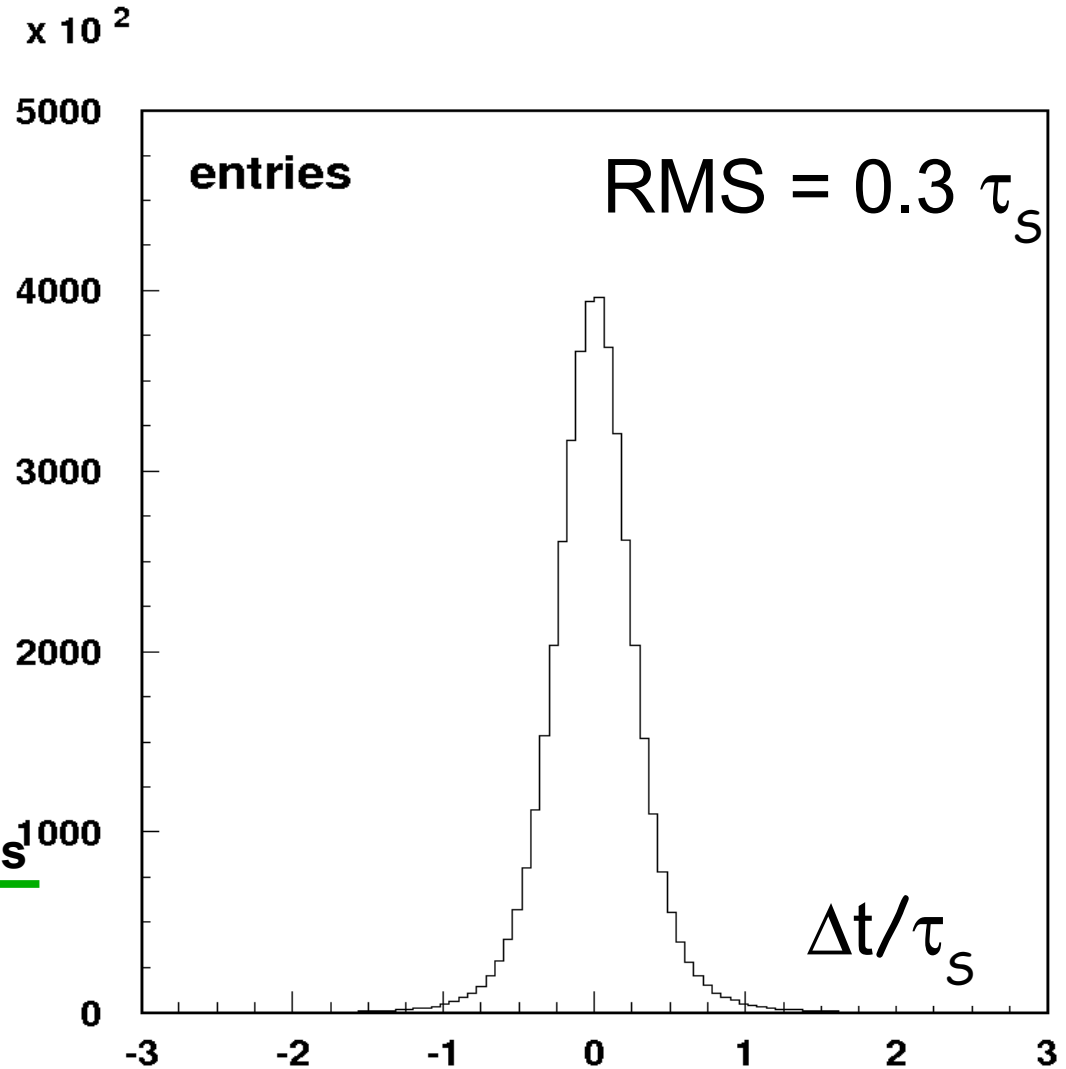
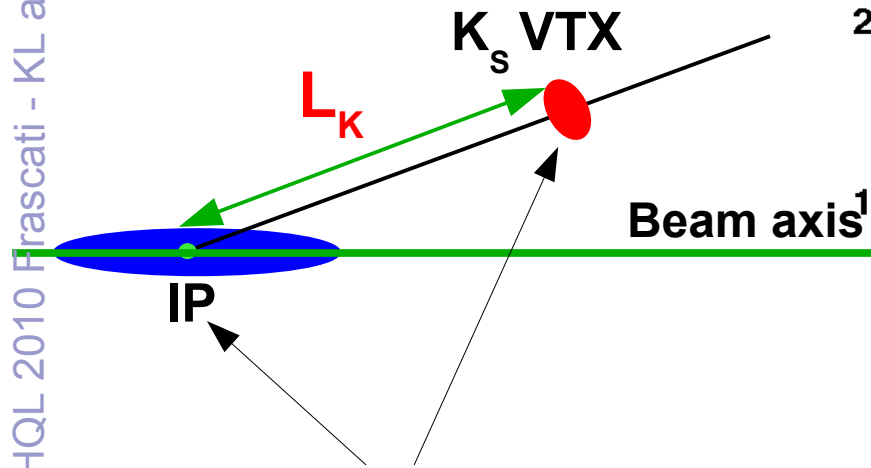
$$\Delta p = |p_{\pi\pi} - p_K| < 10 \text{ MeV}$$

Very bad resolution !



# $K_s$ Lifetime resolution improvement

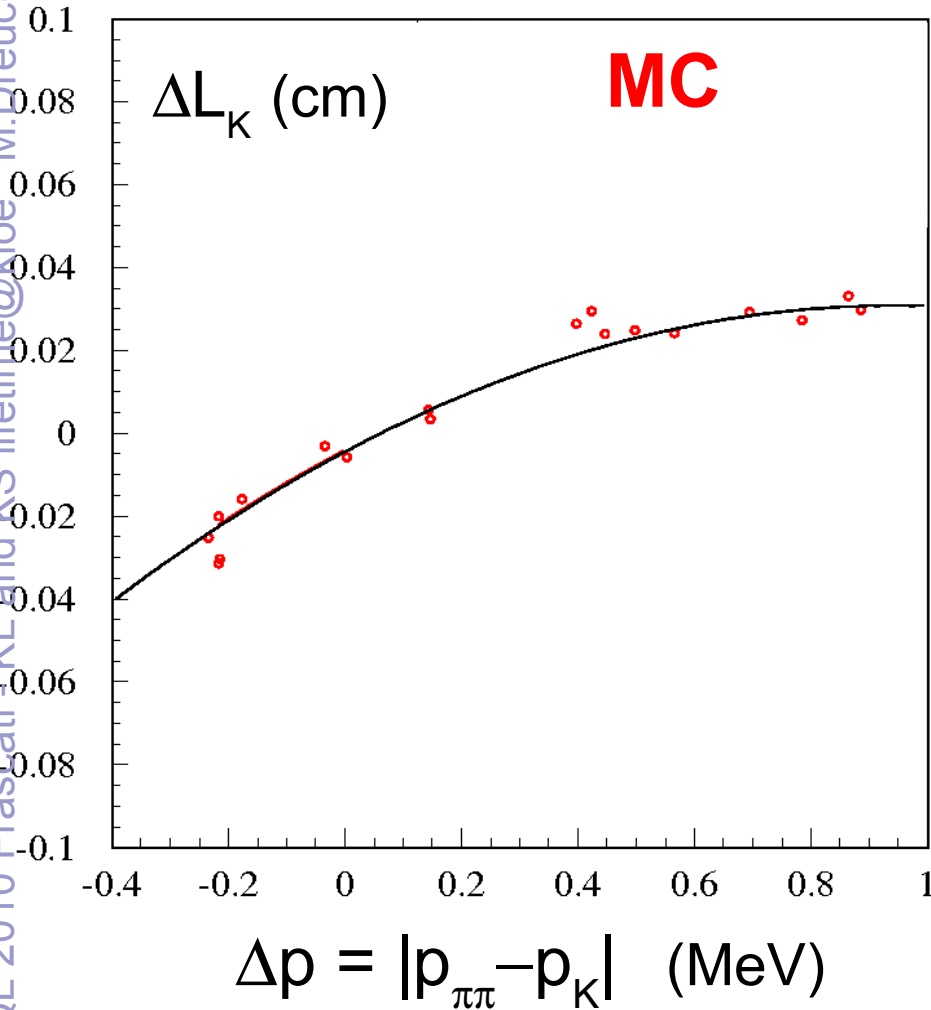
- use events with:  
well measured tracks  
passing topological cuts
- additional improvement  
with geometrical fit



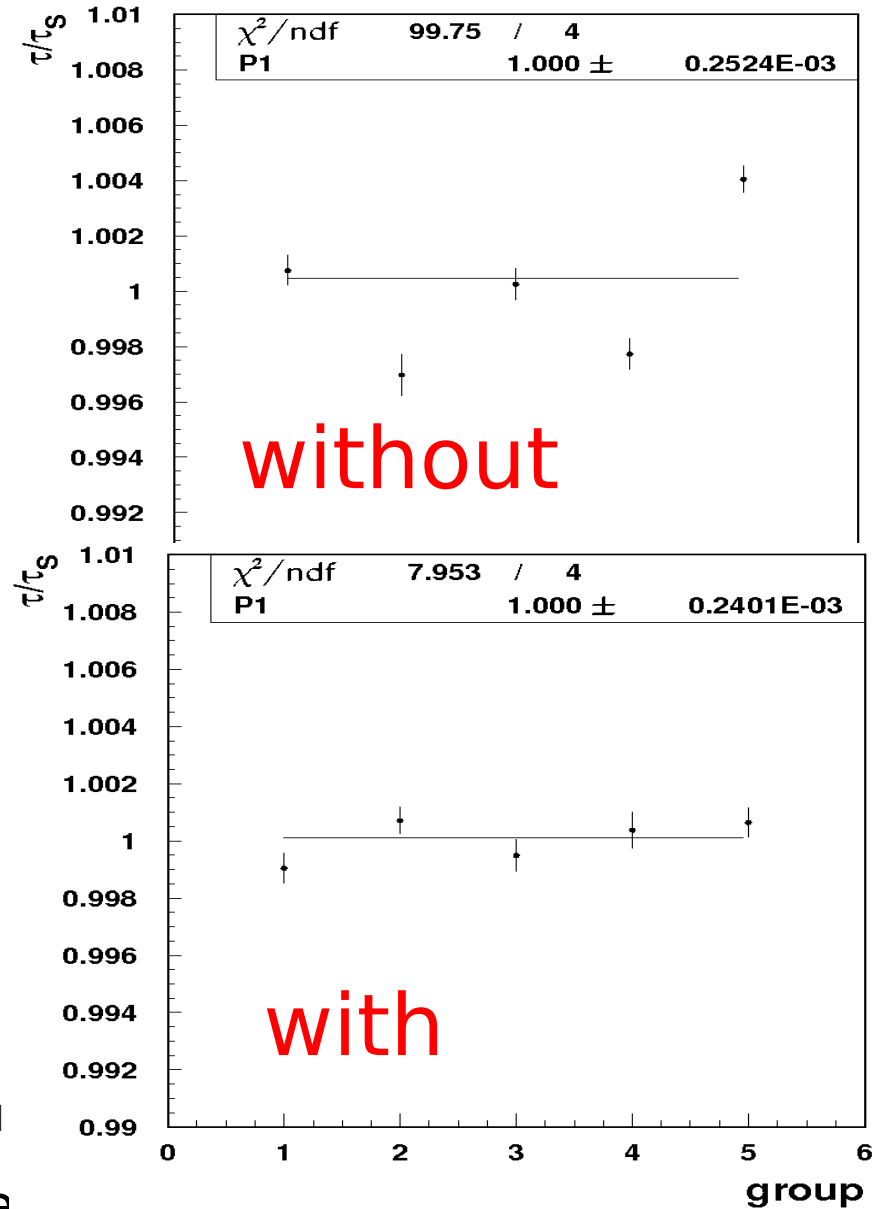
event by event

# $K_S$ Lifetime decay length & momentum calibration

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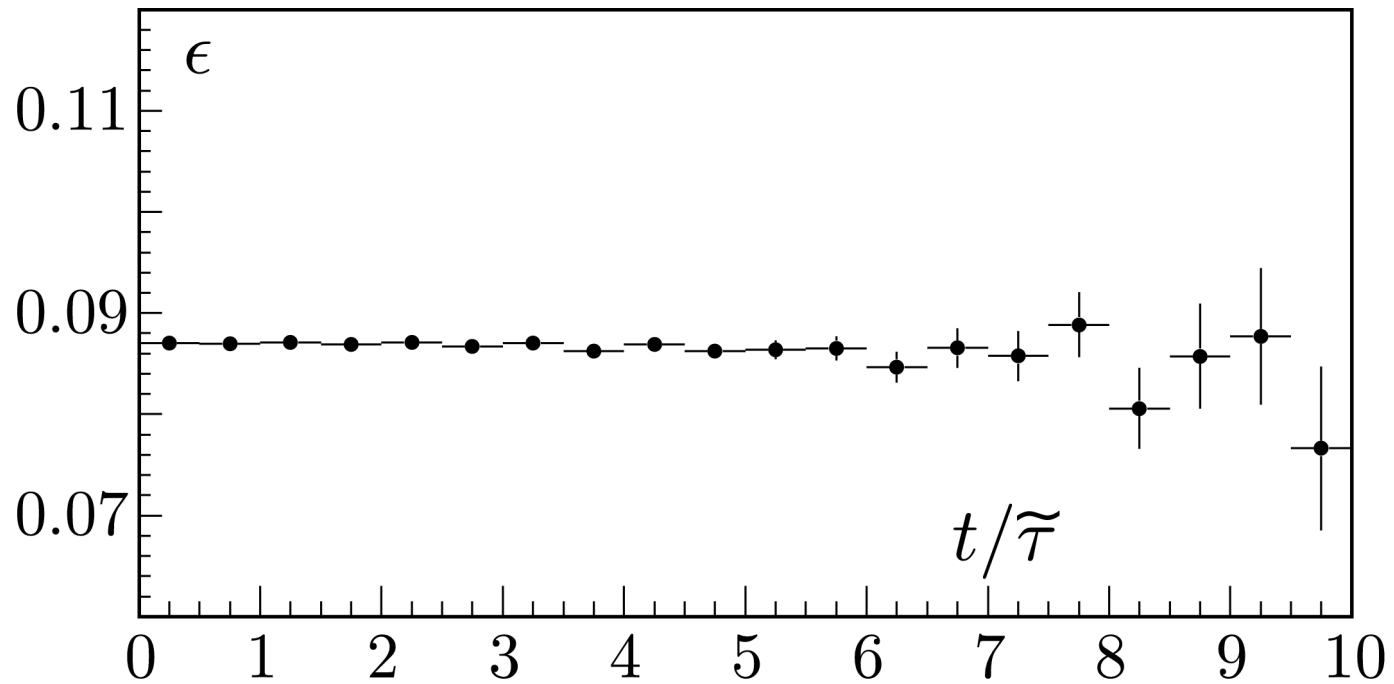


Decay point correction using 2<sup>nd</sup> determination of kaon momenta



# $K_S$ Lifetime efficiency

averaged over  $[\phi_K, \cos\theta_K]$





# $K_s$ Lifetime fit method

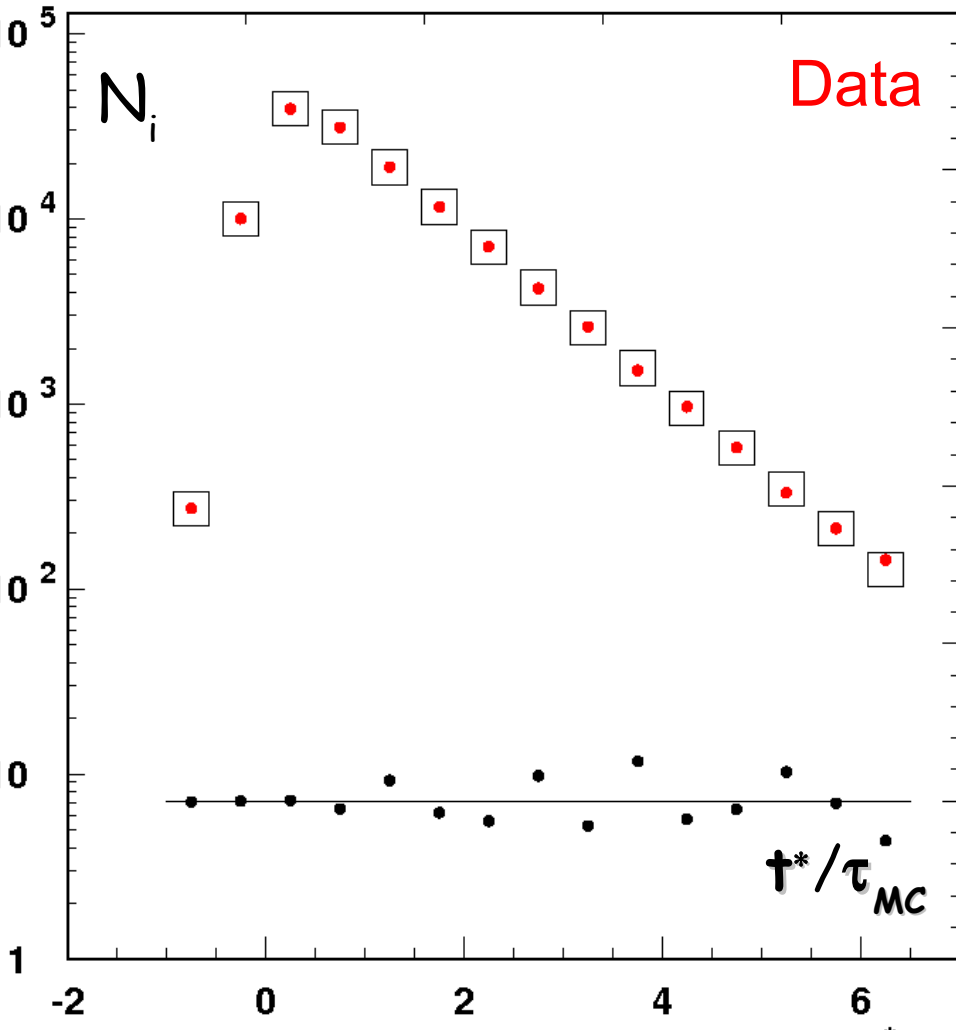
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- **Detector divided in :**  $18 \times 10 [\phi_K, \cos\theta_K]$   $(-0.5 < \cos\theta_K < 0.5)$   
Account for resolution dependence  
Check result stability vs  $[\phi_K, \cos\theta_K]$
- **Fit range :** 15 bins from -1 to +6.5 ( $\tau_s$ )
- **Fit parameters:**  $\tau, \sigma_1(\phi, \theta), \sigma_2(\phi, \theta), \alpha(\phi, \theta), \delta(\phi, \theta)$
- **Resolution:**  $R = \alpha g_1 + (1 - \alpha) g_2$
- **Fit function derived from :** 
$$f(t) = A \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta(x) \frac{1}{\tau} \exp(x/\tau) \varepsilon(x) g(t + \delta - x) dx$$
- We perform 180 fits  $\rightarrow$  weighted average

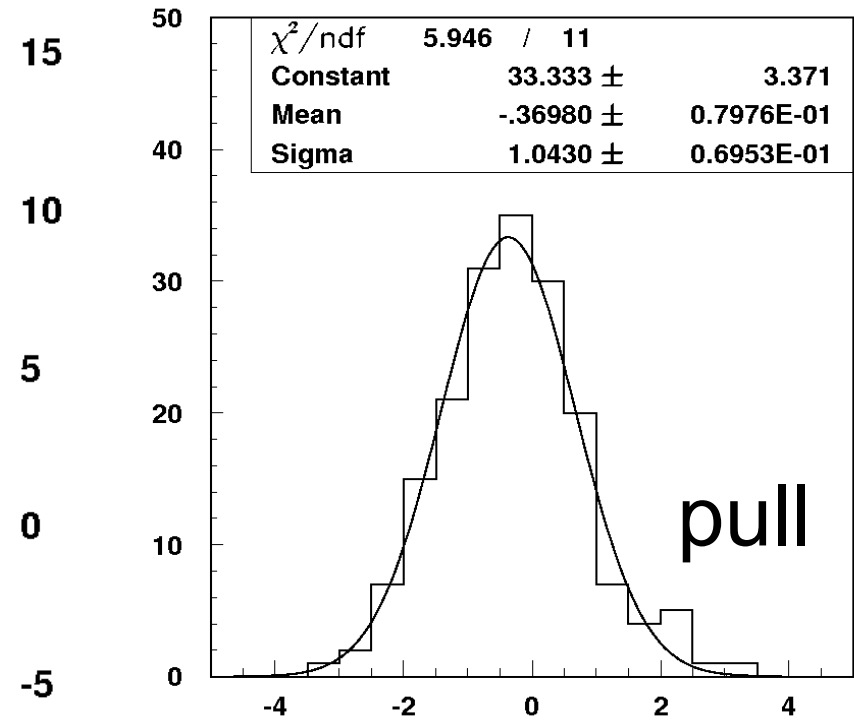
# $K_s$ Lifetime fit result

## Fit example

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$\chi^2 / \text{dof} = 202/179 \rightarrow$   
CL=11.4%



# $K_s$ Lifetime systematics

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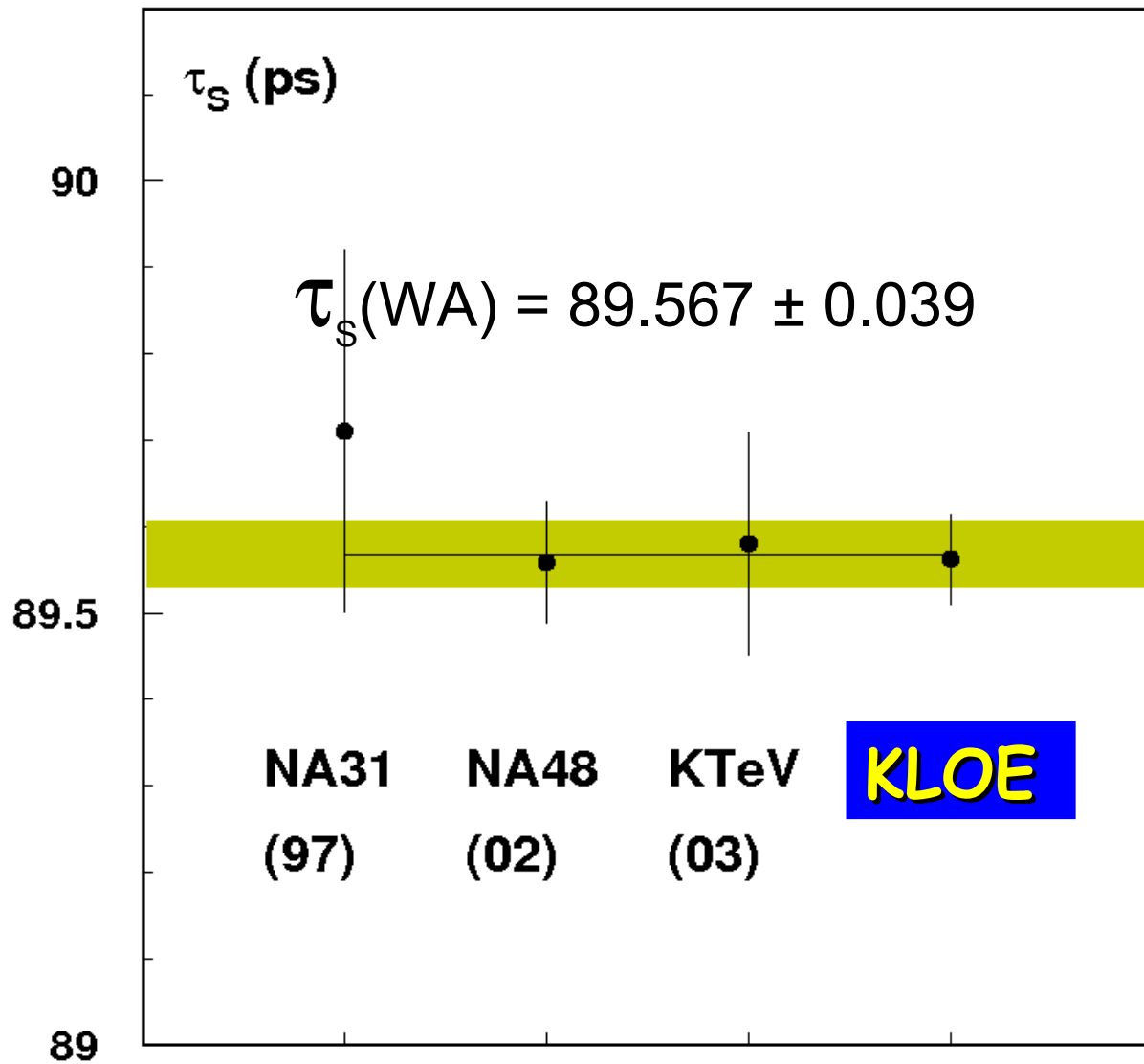
Source	value ( ps )
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|----------------------|-------|
| - fit range :        | 0.012 |
| - $L_K$ calibration: | 0.024 |
| - $p_K$ calibration: | 0.033 |
| - Kaon mass :        | 0.004 |
| - efficiency :       | 0.005 |

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Total	0.043

$$\tau_{K_s} = (89.562 \pm 0.029_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.043_{\text{stat}}) \text{ ps}$$

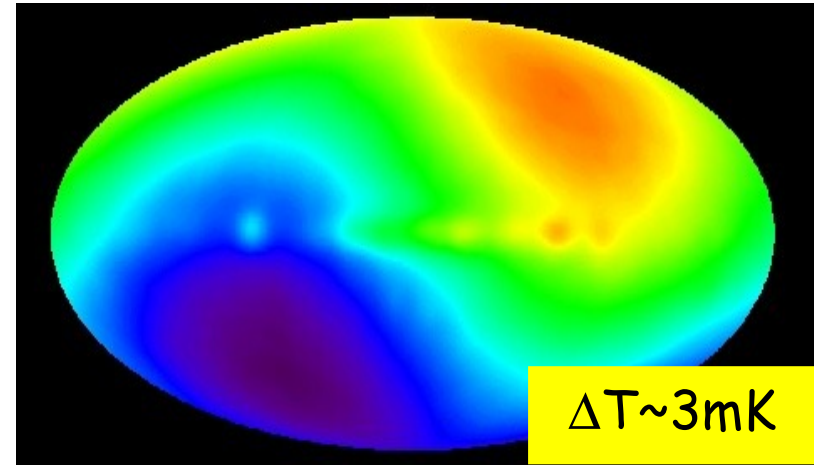
# $K_S$ Lifetime results on the market & WA



# $K_s$ Lifetime isotropy of $K_s$ lifetime ?

- The CMB dipole anisotropy, if interpreted as a Doppler effect, is due to Local Group motion ( $\sim 570$  km/s) in the direction :

$$(l, b) \sim (264^\circ, 48^\circ)$$



- A test of the isotropy of  $K_s$  lifetime is done by comparing the result parallel and antiparallel w.r.t. an assigned direction
- retain decay events with  $\mathbf{p}_{K, GC}$  within a  $30^\circ$  cone around:

$$A = \frac{\tau^{\text{UP}} - \tau^{\text{down}}}{\tau^{\text{UP}} + \tau^{\text{down}}} \times 10^3$$

$(263.86^\circ, 48.24^\circ)$  (CMB)

$(173.86^\circ, 0^\circ)$

$(263.86^\circ, -41.76^\circ)$



$-0.2 \pm 1.0$

$+0.2 \pm 2.0$

$0.0 \pm 0.9$

# $K_L$ & $K_S$ lifetime conclusion

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$K_L$ : multiphoton vtx reconstruction, signal selection and bkg rejection in good shape ;

- try to increase the fit region ;
- Stability in each single run period;
- Systematics check already started (fit range, bckg subtraction, cut variation....) to be finalized ;

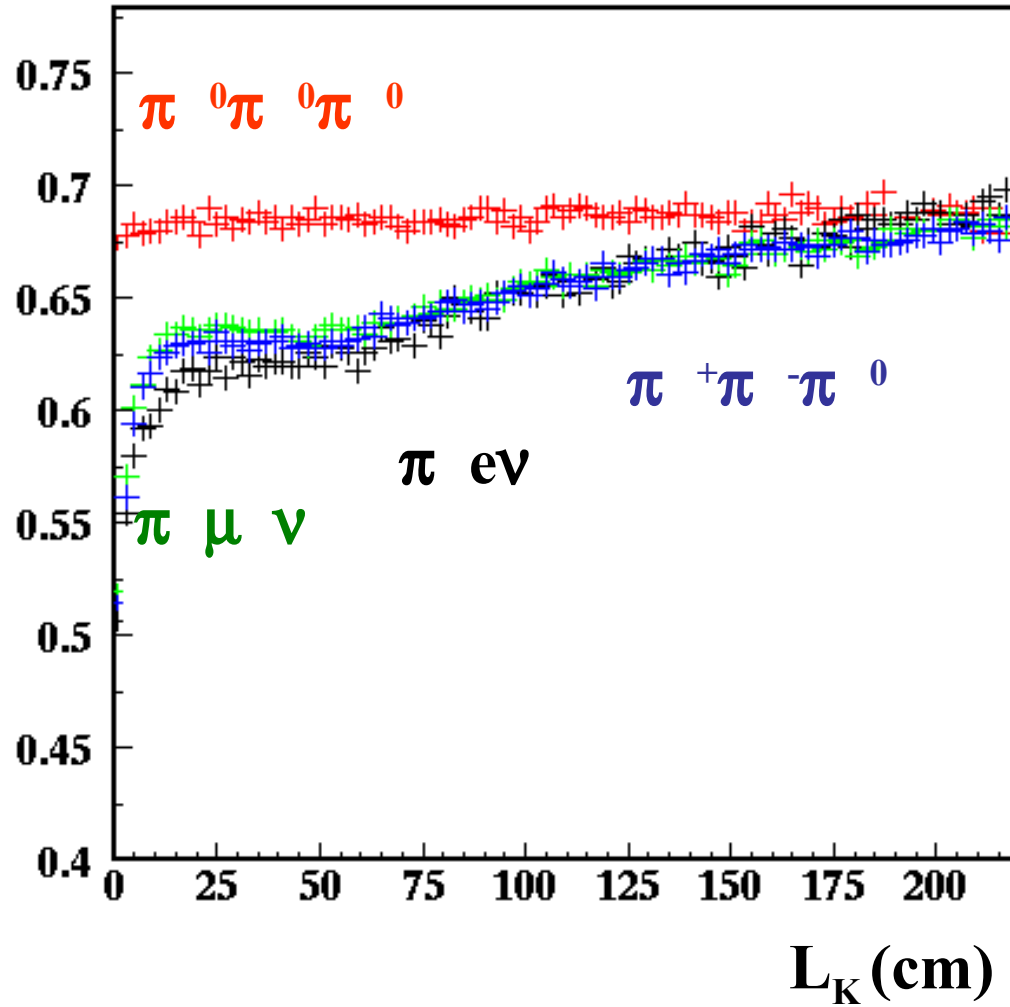
Try to  $0(5 \times 10^{-3}) \rightarrow 0(3 \times 10^{-3})$

$K_S$  lifetime result,  $\sim 5 \times 10^{-4}$ , is being to be submitted

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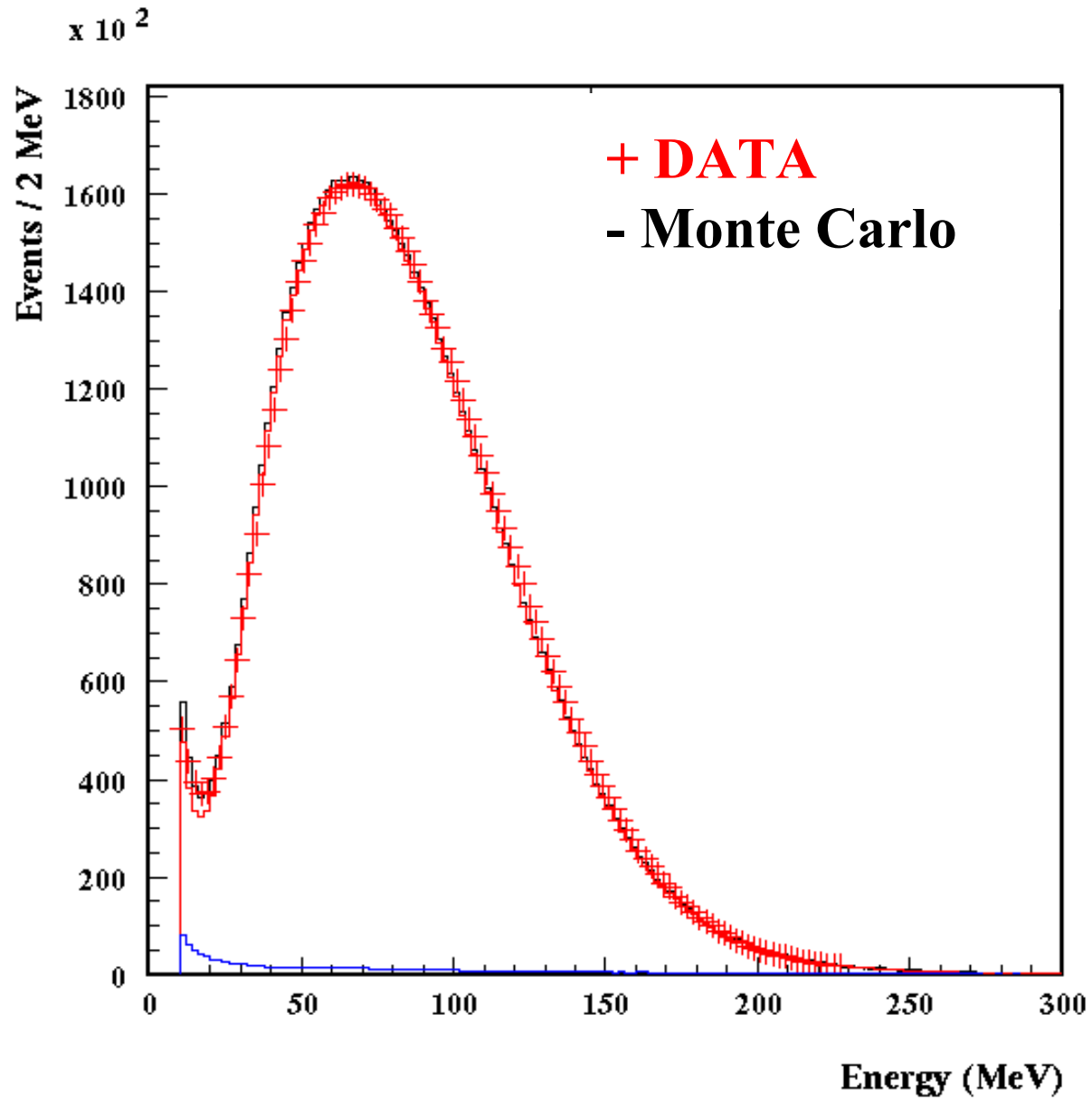
# Tagging efficiency

$\varepsilon$  (tagging)

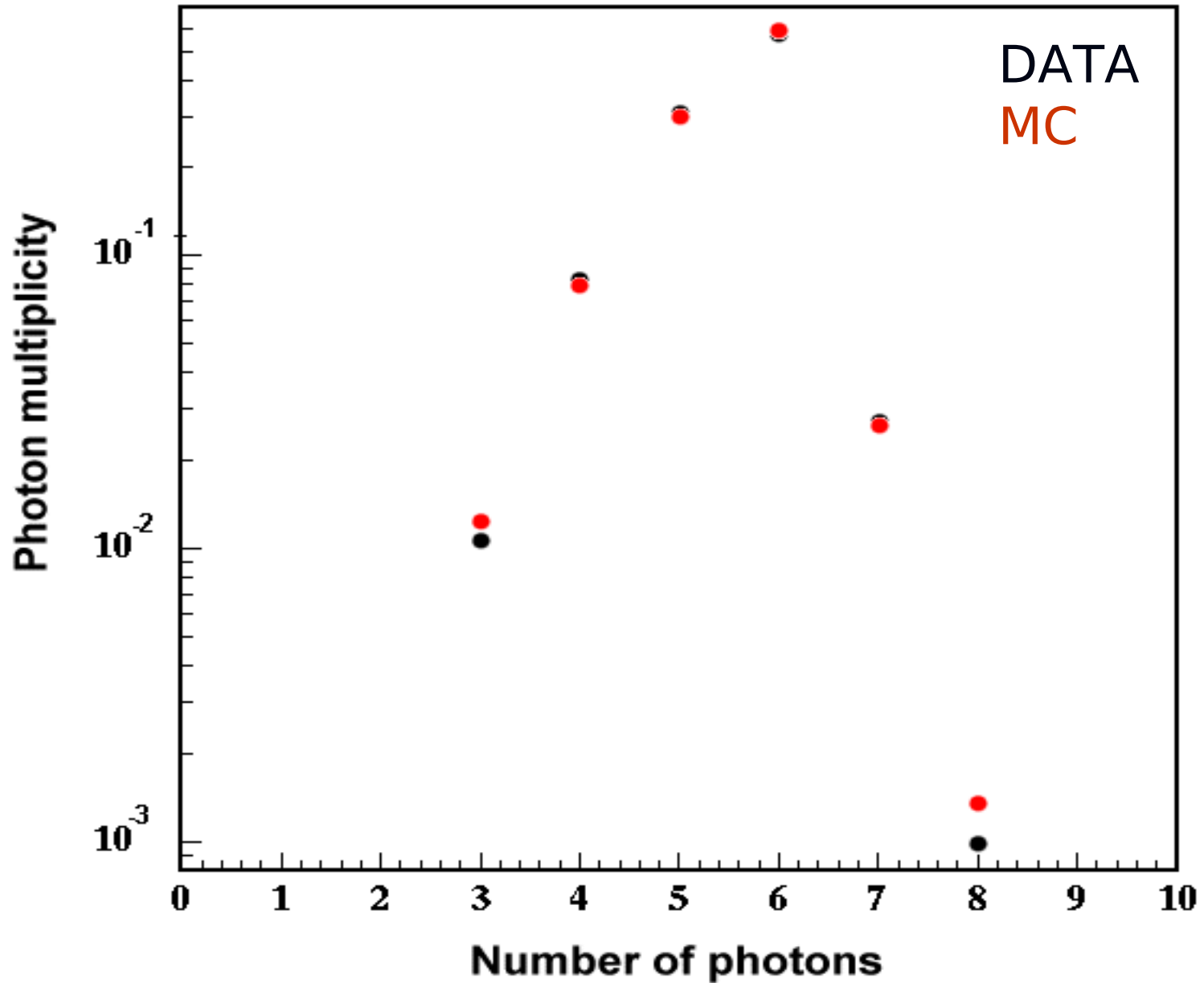


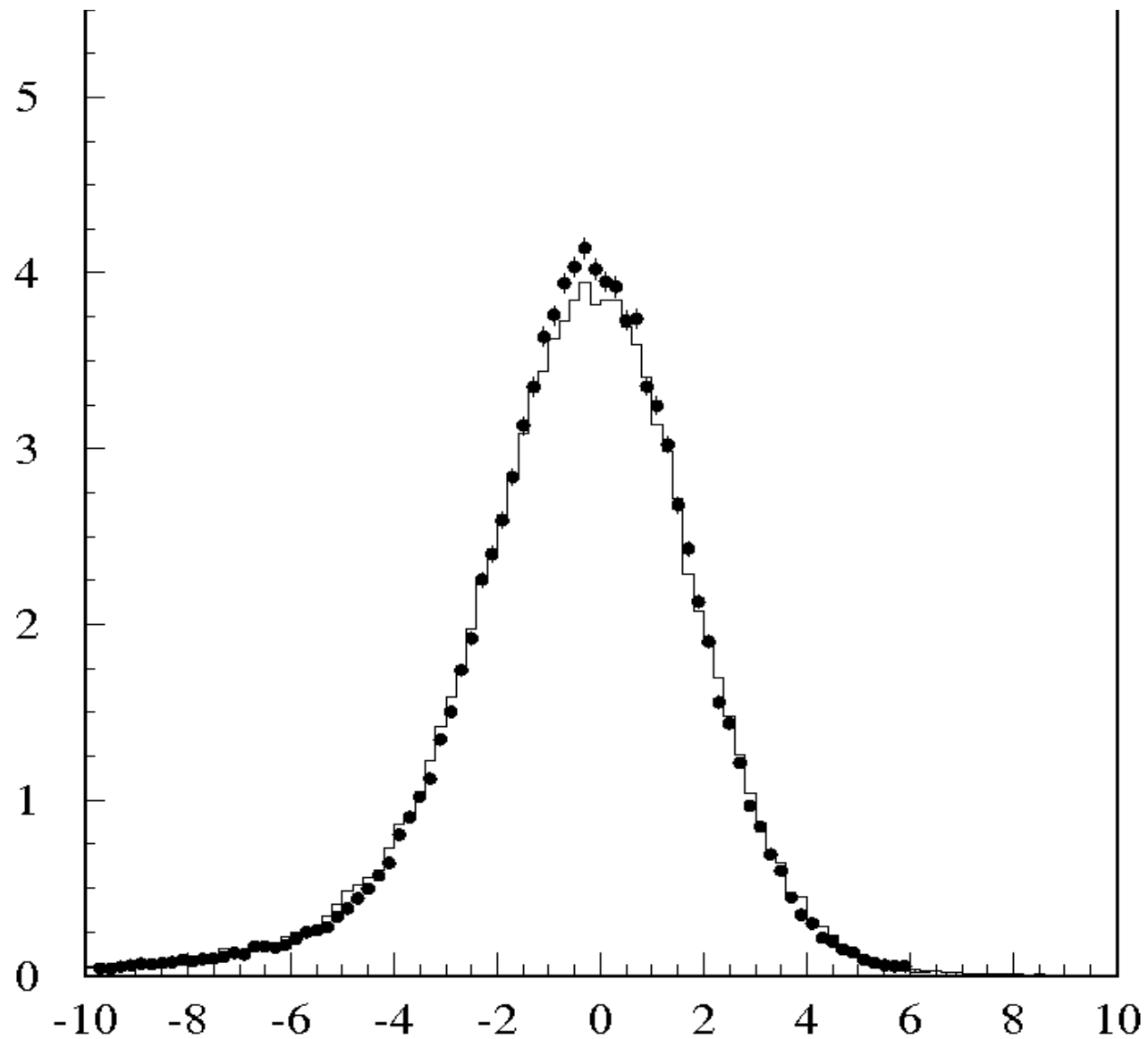


# Photon energy spectrum



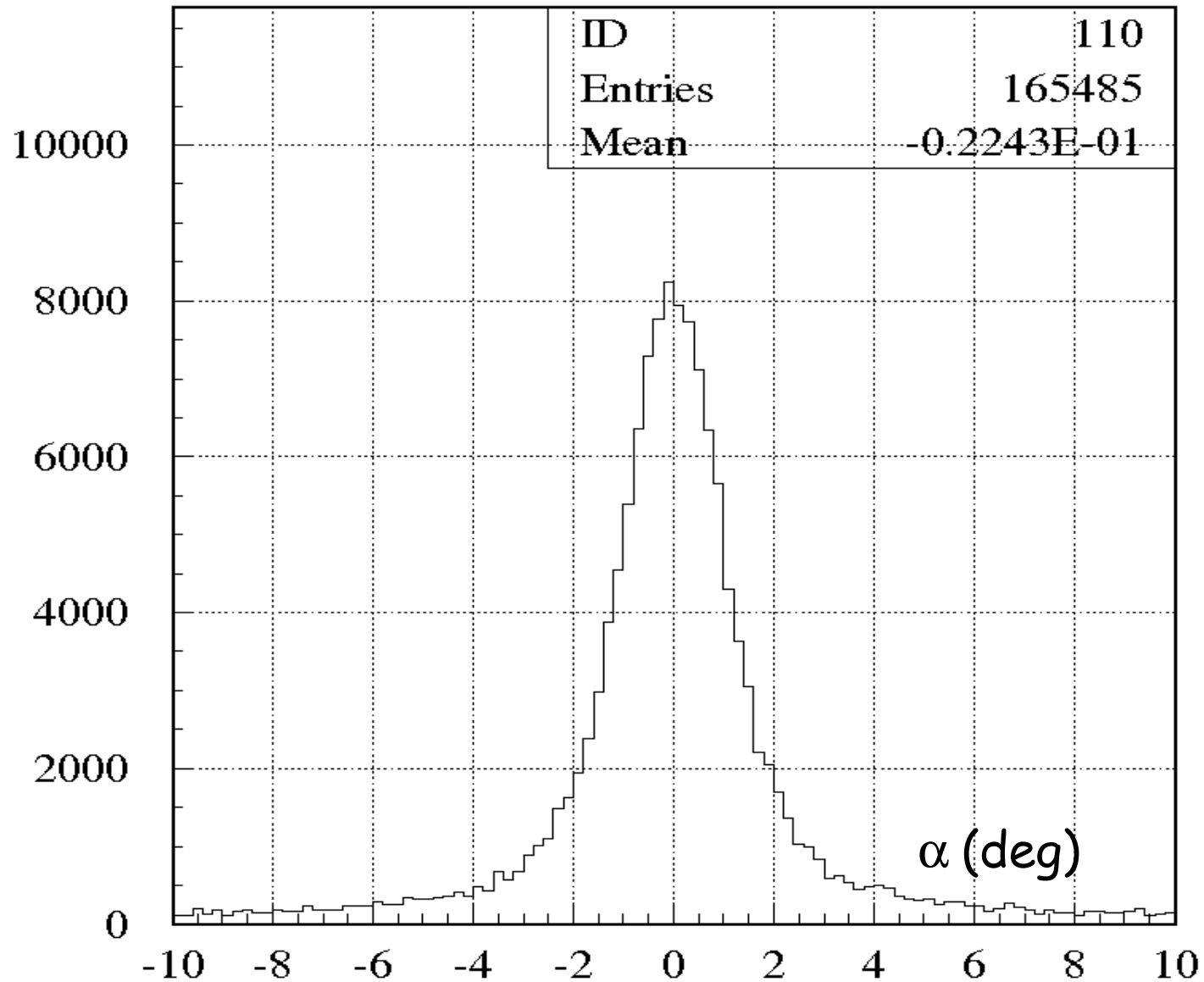
# Multiphoton vertex multiplicity

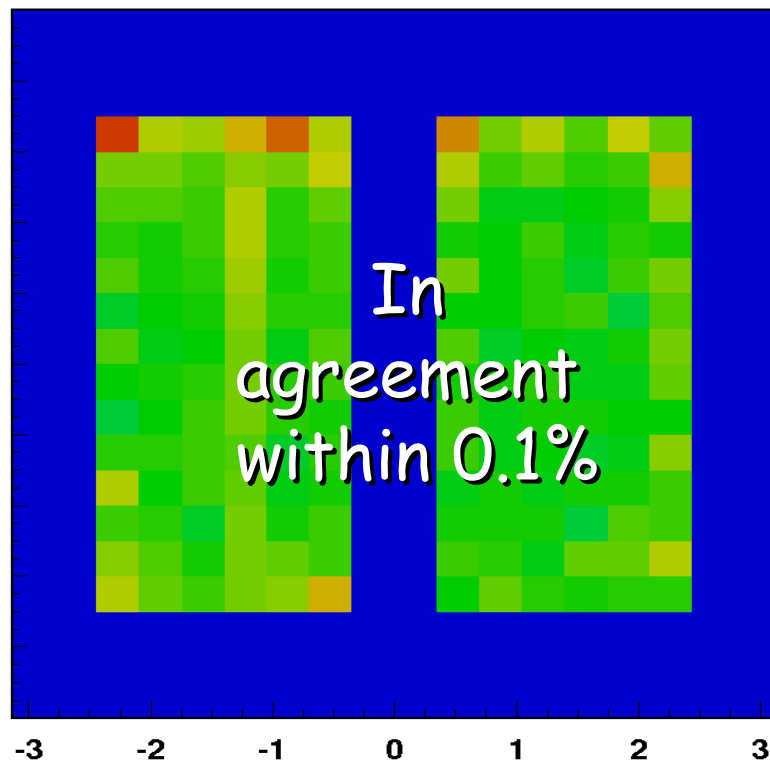
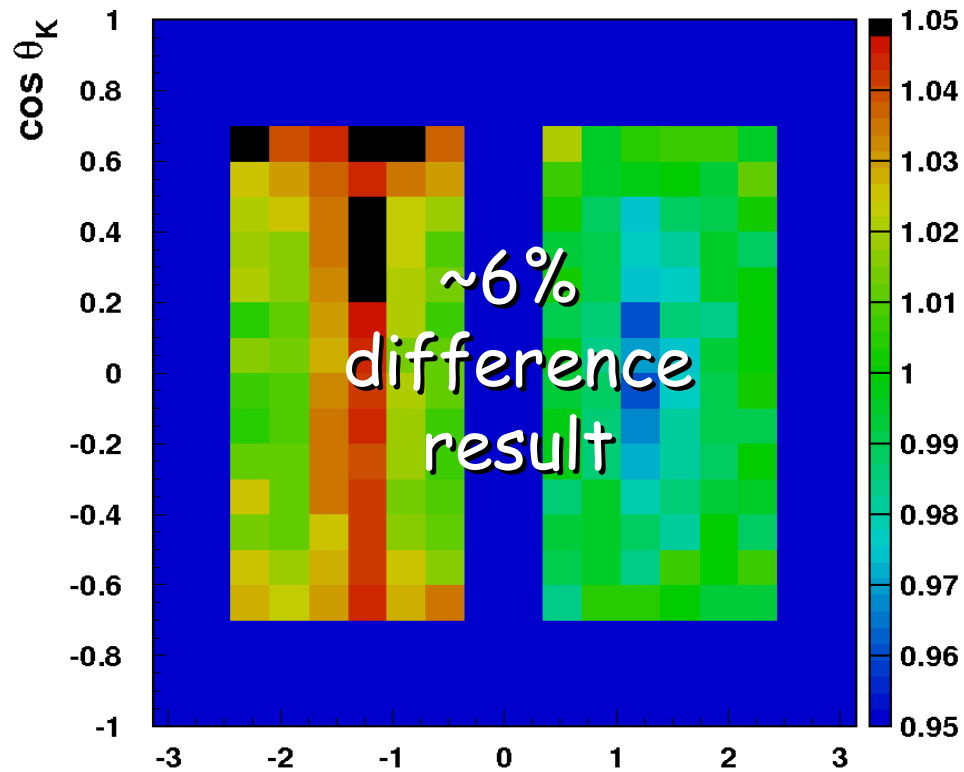




$$dp = p_{\pi\pi} - p_K \text{ (MeV)}$$

# Test from $K_L$ -crash (Data)





$2d$   
 $\theta_{\pi \kappa}^+$  (rad)

