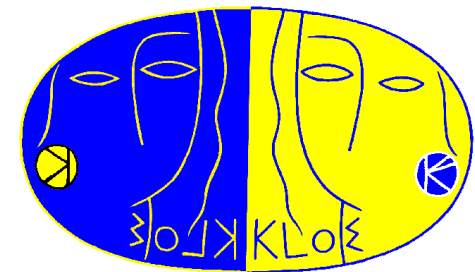


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# Recent results on hadron physics at KLOE/KLOE-2

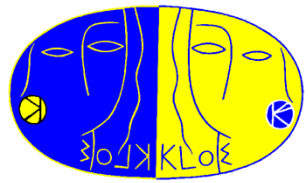


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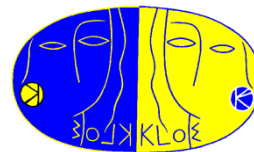




# Presentation plan

- DAFNE collider, data collected, KLOE detector and KLOE-2 upgrade
- KLOE-2 physics program
- Brief description of finished/ongoing analysis:
  - Limit on  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$
  - B boson search in  $\phi \rightarrow \pi^0 \eta \gamma$
  - $\chi$ PT “golden mode”  $\phi \rightarrow (\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma) \gamma$
  - $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow \pi^0$  process

# DAFNE $\phi$ factory



FRASCATI near Rome

## KLOE-2 data set:

- $e^+e^-$  collider @  $\sqrt{s} = M_\phi$  (1020 MeV)

- **KLOE** data taking: 2001–2006

- Collected  $\sim 2.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\phi$  peak

- Best peak/integrated luminosity:

$$L_{\text{peak}} = 1.4 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$

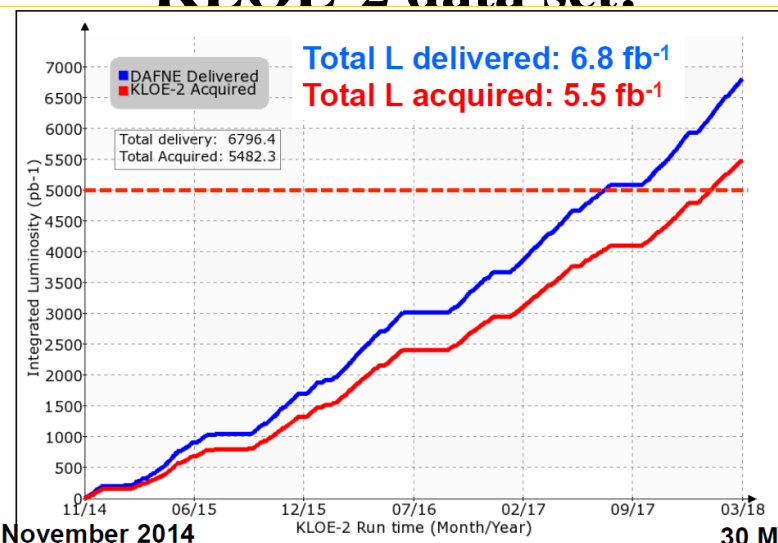
$$\int L dt = 8.5 \text{ pb}^{-1}/\text{day}$$

- **KLOE-2**: 2014-2018

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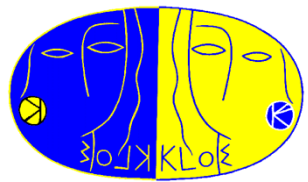
$$\int L dt = 11 \text{ pb}^{-1}/\text{day}$$

- **KLOE + KLOE-2**  $\sim 8 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow 2.4 \cdot 10^{10} \phi$   
which is by now the largest sample collected at  $\phi$  peak in  $e^+e^-$  collider

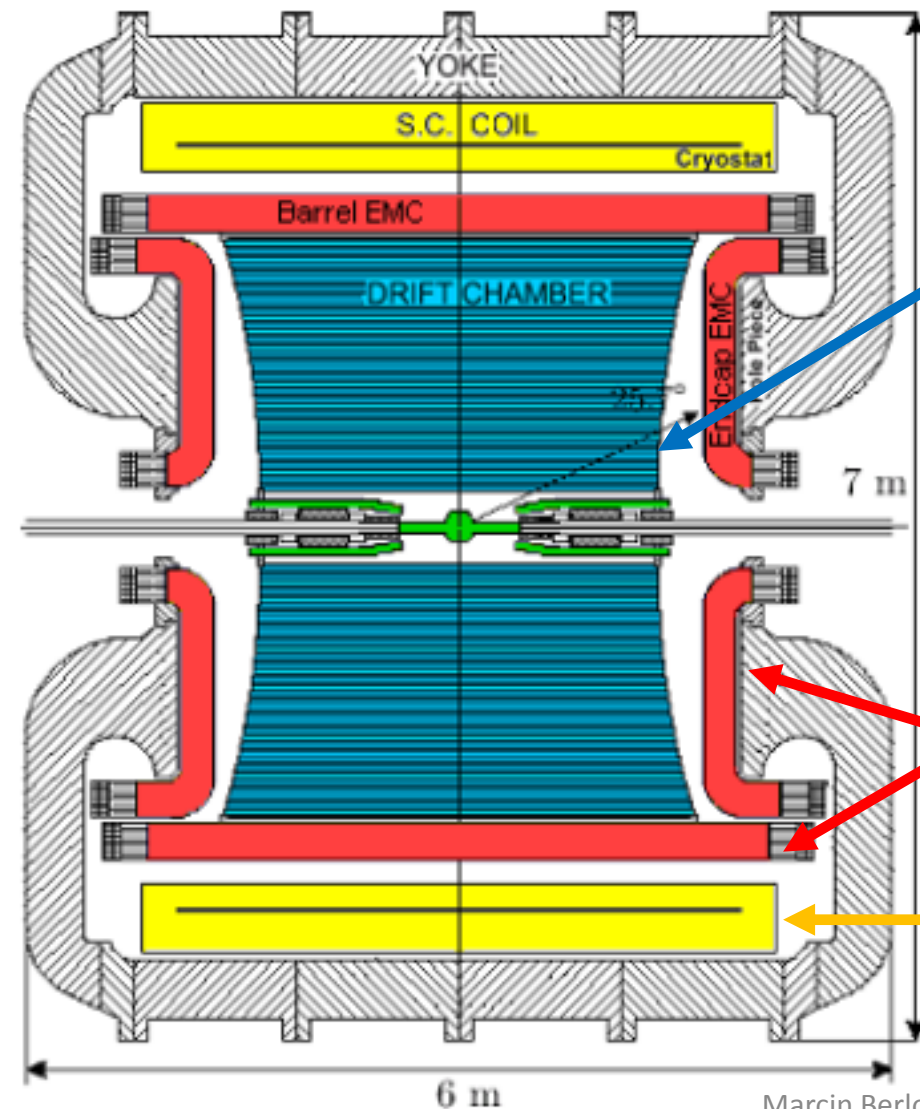


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30 March 2018



# KLOE detector



## Drift chamber:

- Gas mixture: 90% He, 10% isobutane
- Resolutions:  $\sigma_{xy} \sim 150 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $\sigma_z \sim 2 \text{mm}$ ,  
 $\frac{\sigma_{p_t}}{p_t} < 0.4\%$  ( $45^\circ < \theta < 135^\circ$ ),  $\sigma_v \sim 3 \text{mm}$

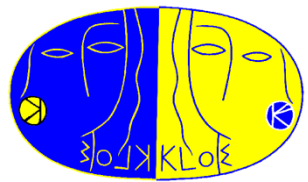
## Electromagnetic calorimeter:

- Made of lead/scintillating fibers
- Covers 98% of solid angle

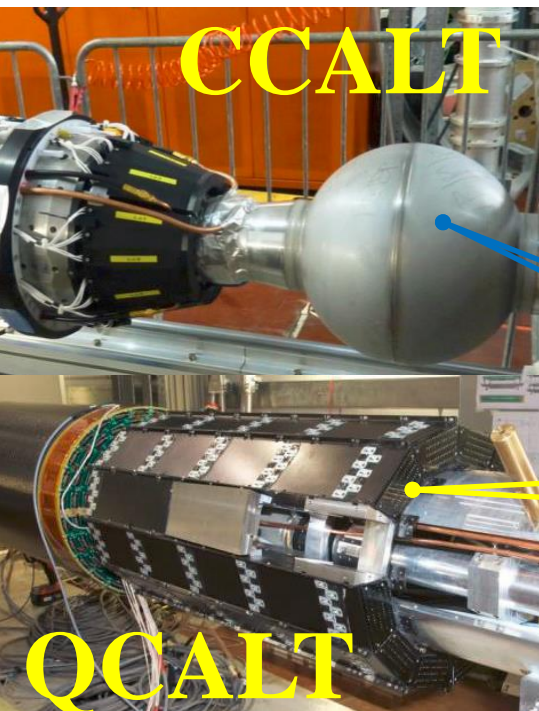
- Resolutions:  $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{5.7\%}{\sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}}$ ,  
 $\sigma_T = \frac{57 \text{ ps}}{\sqrt{E(\text{GeV})}} \oplus 140 \text{ ps}$

**Magnetic field**  $\sim 0.52 \text{ T}$





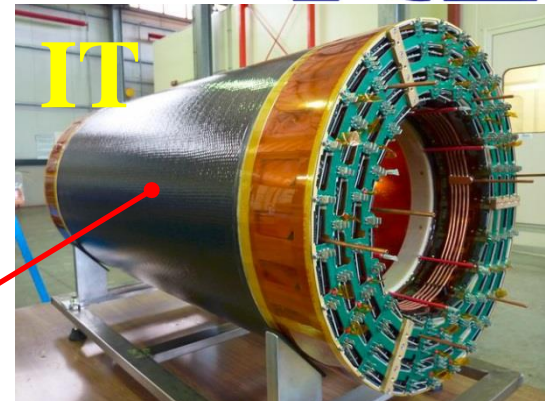
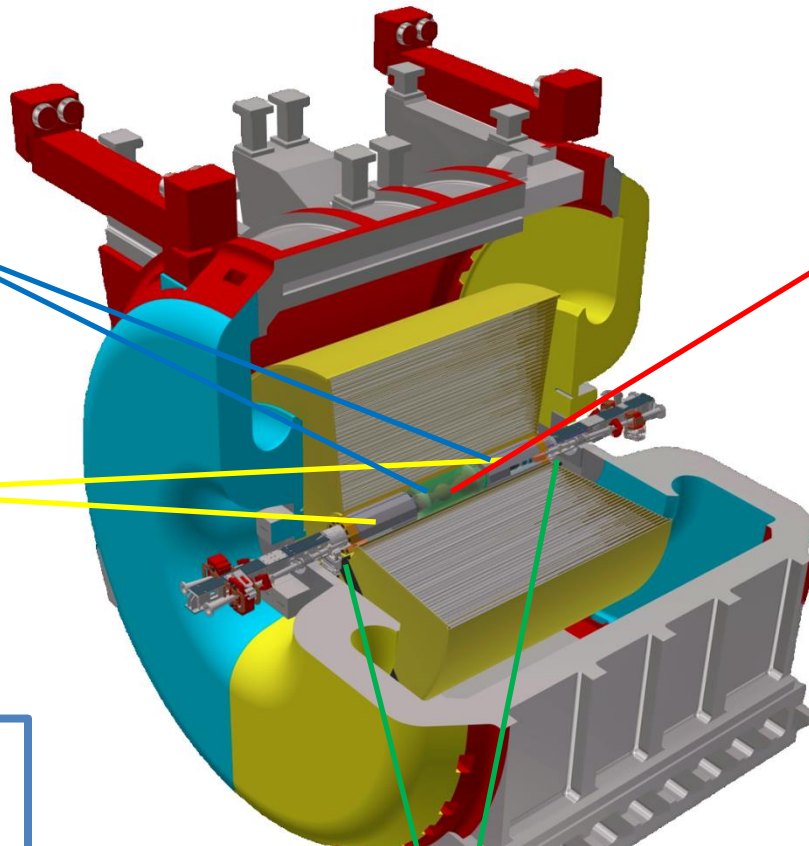
# KLOE-2 upgrades



## CCALT

## QCALT

**CCALT** (LYSO-crystals) & **QCALT** (scintillator tiles and fibers with SiPM read-out): both inside KLOE detector, to improve low polar angles acceptance for  $\gamma$ 's &  $K_L$  decays



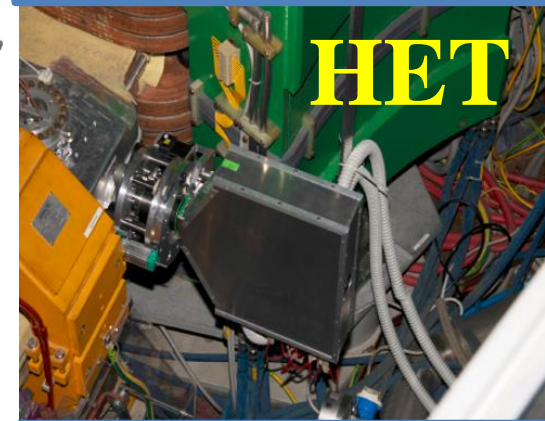
## IT

**IT:** 4 layers of cylindrical GEM detectors, larger acceptance for low  $p_t$  tracks, to improve vertex resolution at the Interaction Point



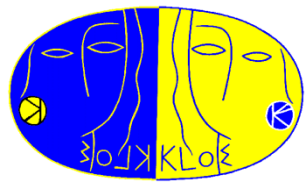
## LET

**LET:** LYSO with SiPM readout, ~1 m from the IP,  $\gamma\gamma$ -physics



## HET

**HET:** Scintillator + PMT 11 m from the IP,  $\gamma\gamma$ -physics



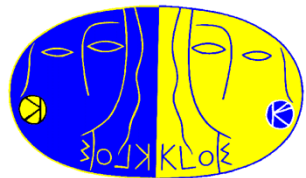
# Summary of KLOE physics



- Hadronic cross section: ISR studies with  $3\pi$ ,  $4\pi$  final states,  $F_\pi$  with increased statistics, measurement of  $a_\mu$  HLO in the space-like region using Bhabha process
- Light meson Transition Form Factors
- **Tests of  $\chi$ PT and other theories e.g.  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$**
- C, P, CP violation in  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \gamma$ ,  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ ,  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$ ,  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \gamma$
- CP violating  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ e^-$ , other 4 charged tracks  $\eta$  decays
- **$\gamma \gamma$  physics:  $\Gamma(\gamma \gamma \rightarrow \pi^0)$  and  $\pi^0$  Transition Form Factor**
- Dark Forces searches:  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow U \gamma \rightarrow \pi \pi \gamma, \mu \mu \gamma$ , Higgsstrahlung process in  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow U h' \rightarrow \mu \mu + \text{missing energy}$ , **leptophobic B boson:  $\phi \rightarrow \eta B$ ,  $B \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$ ,  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$**  and  $\eta \rightarrow B \gamma$ ,  $B \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$ ,  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ , U invisible decays, axion-like particles
- Plus Kaon Physics program e.g.: semileptonic  $K_S$ ,  $K_S \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  (BR,  $\chi$ PT),  $K_S \rightarrow 3\pi^0$  (BR, CP violation), ...

[EPJC 68 (2010) 619]

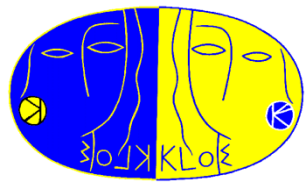
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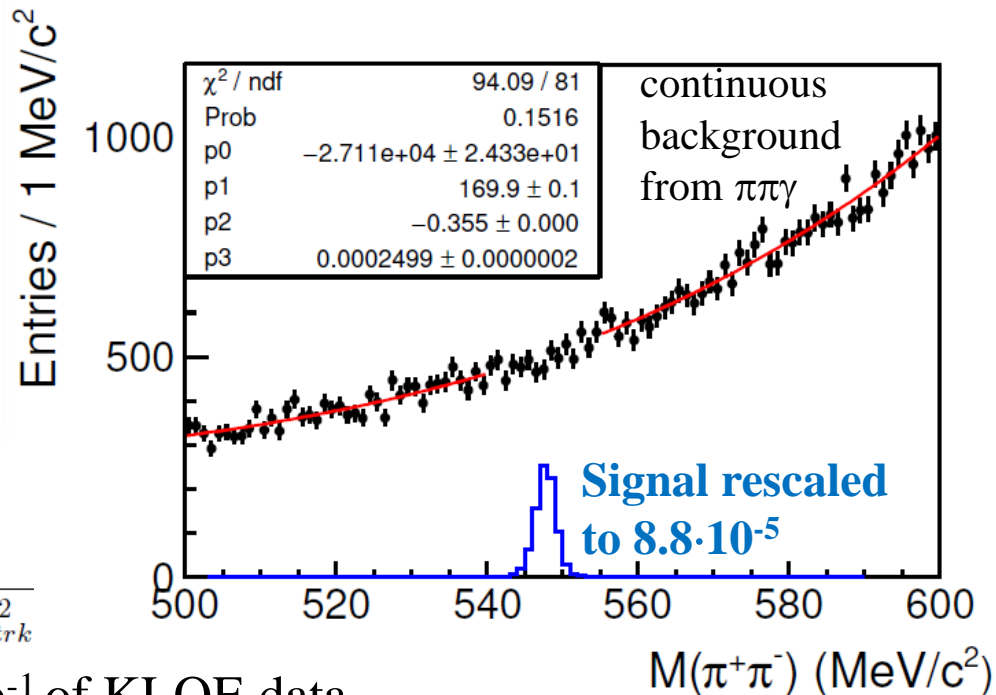
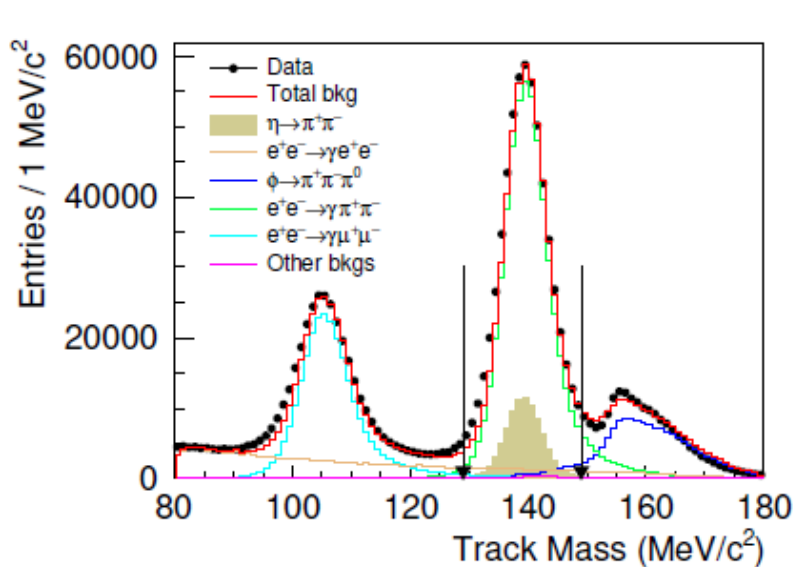
# BR limit for $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$



- P, CP-violating process
- In the SM the BR prediction [*Phys.Scripta*T 99, 23 (2002)]:
  - proceed only via CPV in weak interaction  $\rightarrow 10^{-27}$
  - introducing a CPV term in QCD  $\rightarrow 10^{-17}$
  - allowing CPV in the extended Higgs sector  $\rightarrow 10^{-15}$
- An observation of larger branching ratio would mean new source of CP violation in the strong interactions
- Previous KLOE result [*Phys.Lett.B* 606 (2005) 276]  
based on  $0.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ :  $< 1.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$  @90% CL
- LHCb:  $< 1.6 \cdot 10^{-5}$  @90% CL [*Phys.Lett.B* 764 (2017) 233-240]



# BR limit for $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$



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

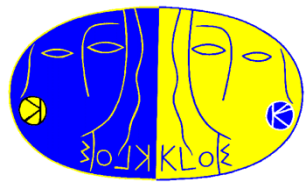
- New analysis using independent  $1.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of KLOE data
- No event excess in the  $\eta$  region, limit extracted using  $\text{CL}_s$  technique

$$\text{BR}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) < 4.9 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ @ } 90\% \text{ CL}$$

- Combined with previous KLOE result:  $< 4.4 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ @ } 90\% \text{ CL}$

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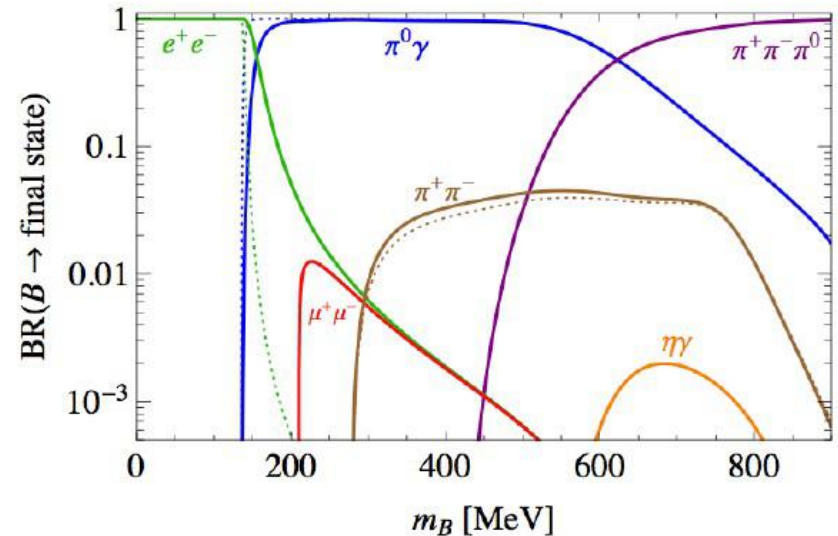
# DM search – leptophobic B



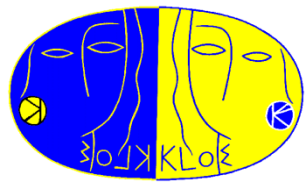
- Search for a new physics - possible analog of the U boson, but B boson (leptophobic DM mediator) couples mostly to quarks, in the most basic model to baryon number via kinetic mixing term  $\varepsilon$
- U boson searches don't exclude the existence of the B boson above  $m_{\pi^0}$  and this can still have an impact on the  $g-2$  anomaly ( $a_{\mu}^{\text{NLO}}$ )
- We can look for a B signature in the  $M(\pi^0\gamma)$  produced in either  $\phi \rightarrow B\eta$  or  $\eta \rightarrow B\gamma$

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon F^{\mu\nu} F'_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{g_B}{3} \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q B_\mu$$

$$\alpha_B = \frac{g_B^2}{4\pi}$$



*S. Tulin Phys. Rev. D 89, 114008 (2014), arXiv:1404.4370*

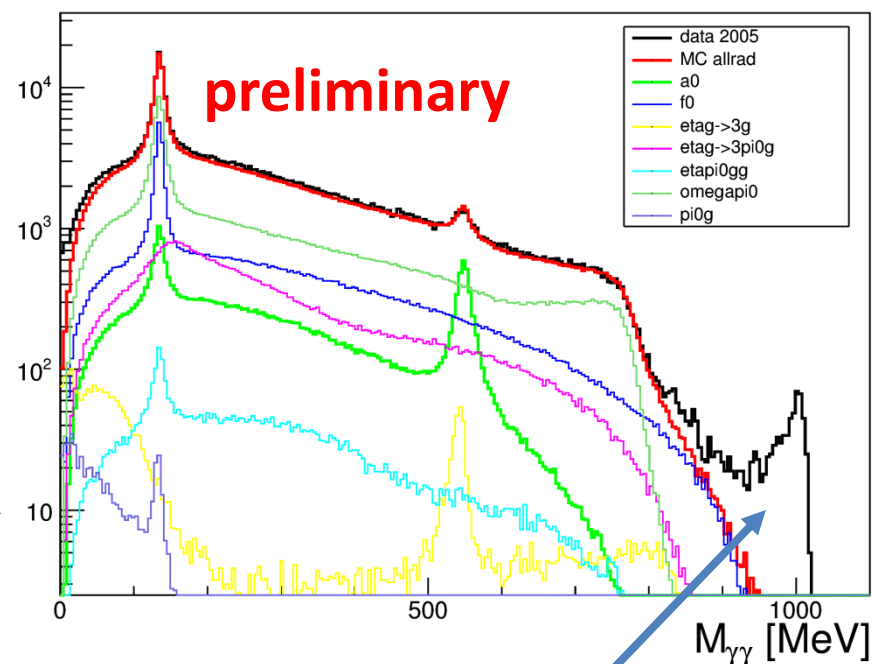


# $B \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$ in $\phi \rightarrow B \eta$ channel

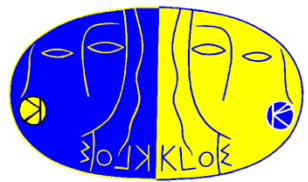


- Study on  $1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of KLOE data
- 5 prompt photons in the final state:
  - $\phi \rightarrow \eta B \rightarrow \eta(\gamma\gamma)\pi^0(\gamma\gamma)\gamma \rightarrow 5\gamma$
- Main background coming from:  
 $\phi \rightarrow (a_0 \rightarrow \eta\pi^0)\gamma$  and  $\phi \rightarrow (\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0)\gamma$   
with lost or merged photons
- Kinematic fit to improve resolution

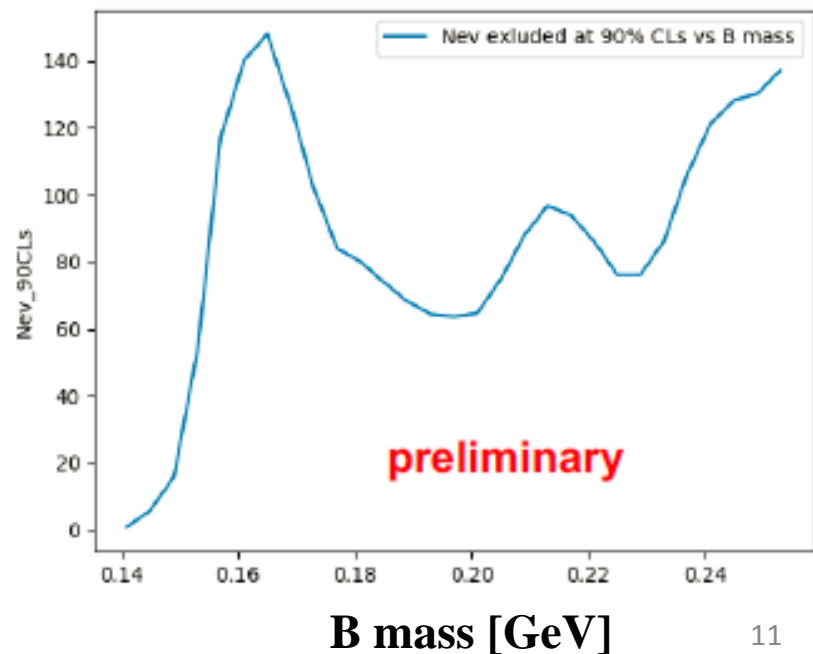
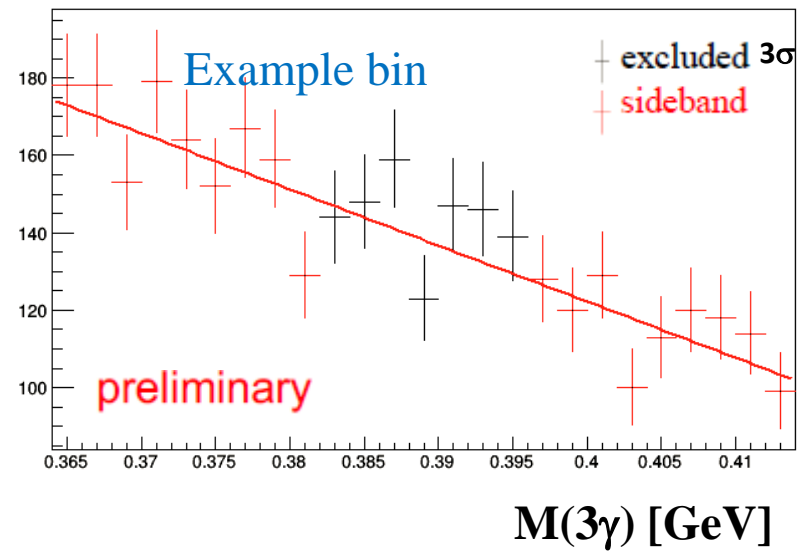
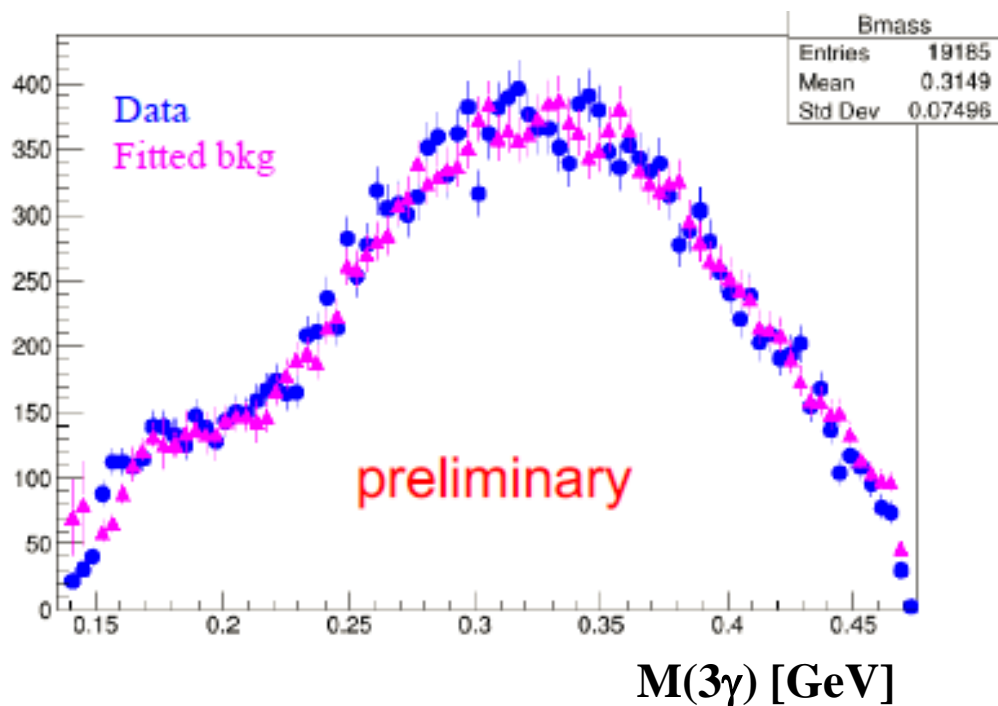
$M(2\gamma)$  after kinematic fit correction



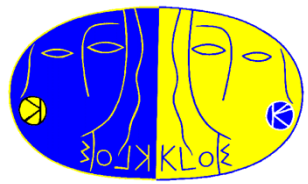
$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  events  
not in the MC



# $B \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$ in $\phi \rightarrow B \eta$ channel



- B boson expected as sharp resonance in  $M(3\gamma)$
- Sidebands background extraction for Upper Limit calculation based on  $CL_s$  technique
- Systematics studies are ongoing



# BR of $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$



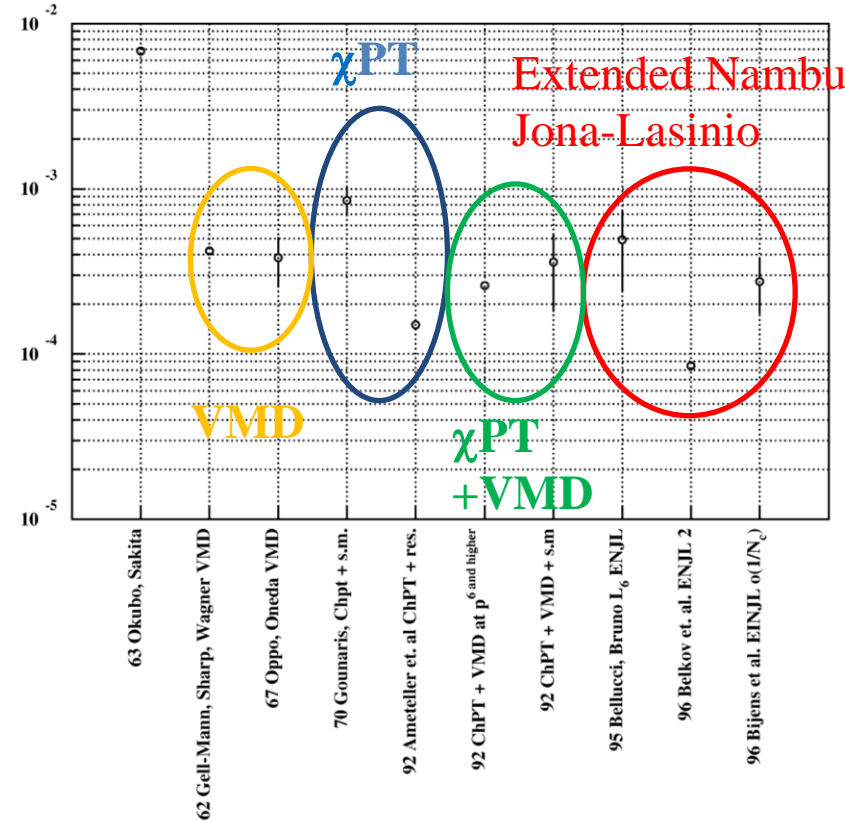
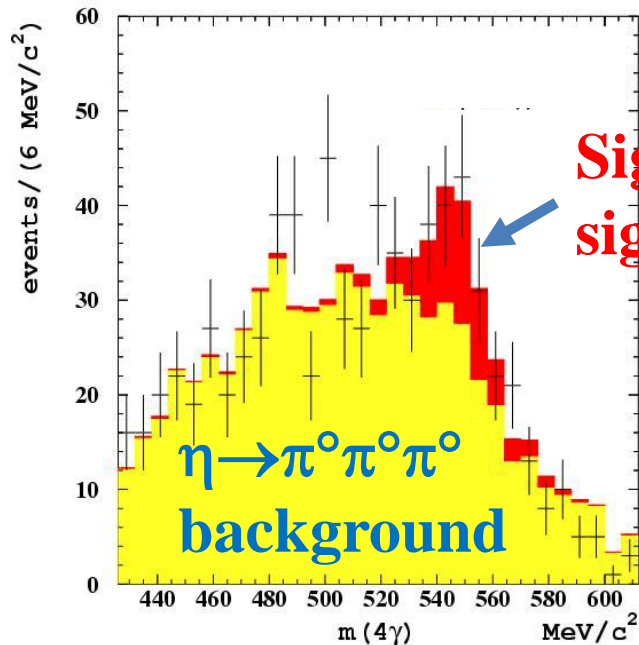
- BR discrepancy between experiments [1]:

- AGS/Crystal Ball ( $K^- p \rightarrow \Lambda \eta$ ) [2] ( $\sim 1200$  ev):

$$\text{BR}(\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma) = (2.21 \pm 0.24_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.38_{\text{syst}}) \cdot 10^{-4}$$

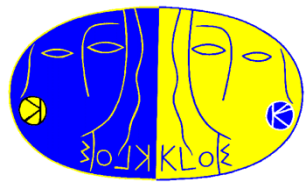
- KLOE ( $\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$ ) [3] ( $63 \pm 28$  ev), preliminary, based on  $L_{\text{int}} = 450 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ :

$$(0.84 \pm 0.27_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.14_{\text{syst}}) \cdot 10^{-4}$$



[1] E. Oset et al, *Phys. Rev. D* 67, 073013 (2003),  
 [2] S. Prakhov et al., *Phys. Rev. C* 78 (2008) 015206  
 [3] B. Di Micco et al., *Acta Phys. Slov.* 56, 403 (2006),



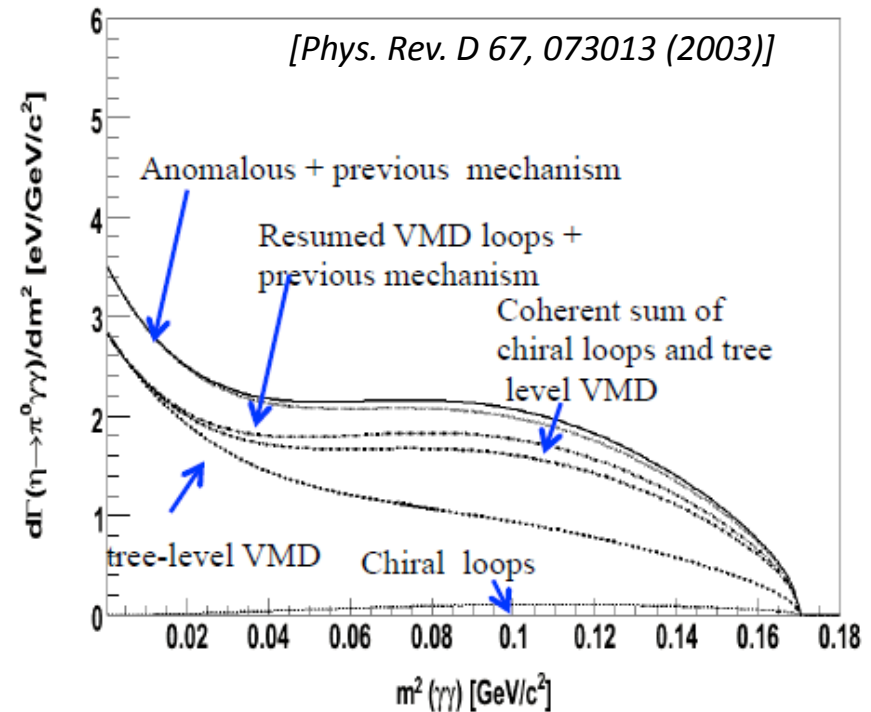
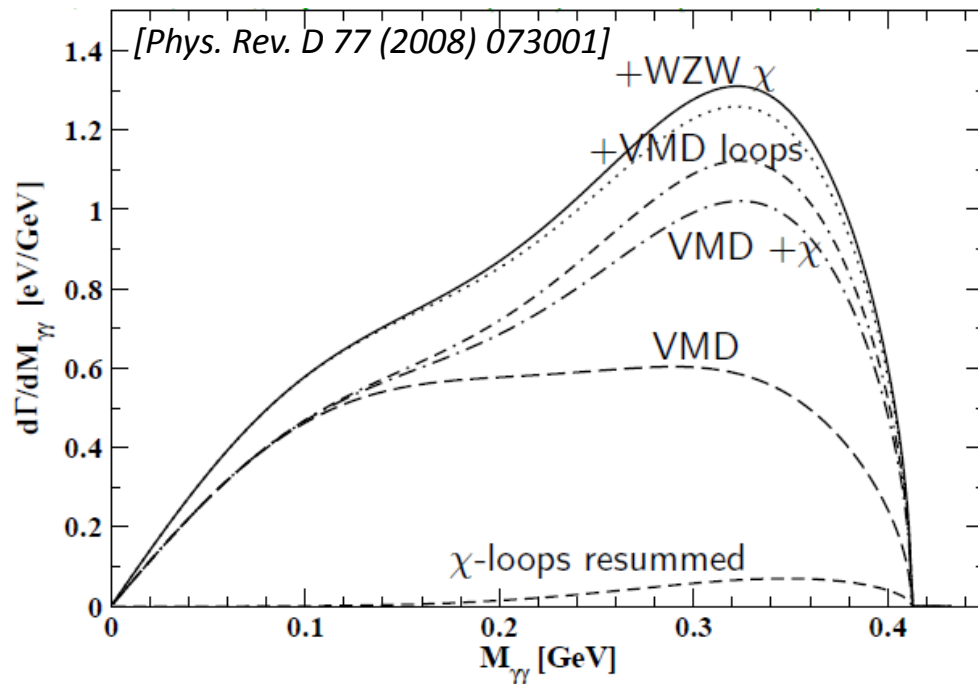


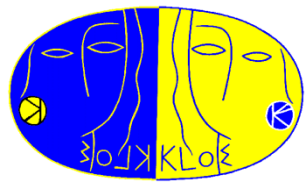
# $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$ $\chi$ PT input



[Ll. Ametller et al. PLB 276(1) (1984)]

- $\chi$ PT “golden mode”:  $O(p^2)$  null,  $O(p^4)=0$  on the tree level and suppressed on 1-loop by G-parity and large kaon mass  $\Rightarrow O(p^6)$  are dominating
- $M(\gamma\gamma)$  that are not coming from  $\pi^0$  can be used as a test of theoretical models



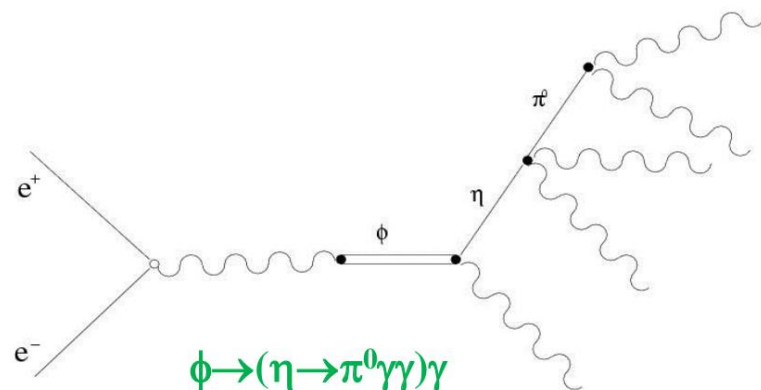
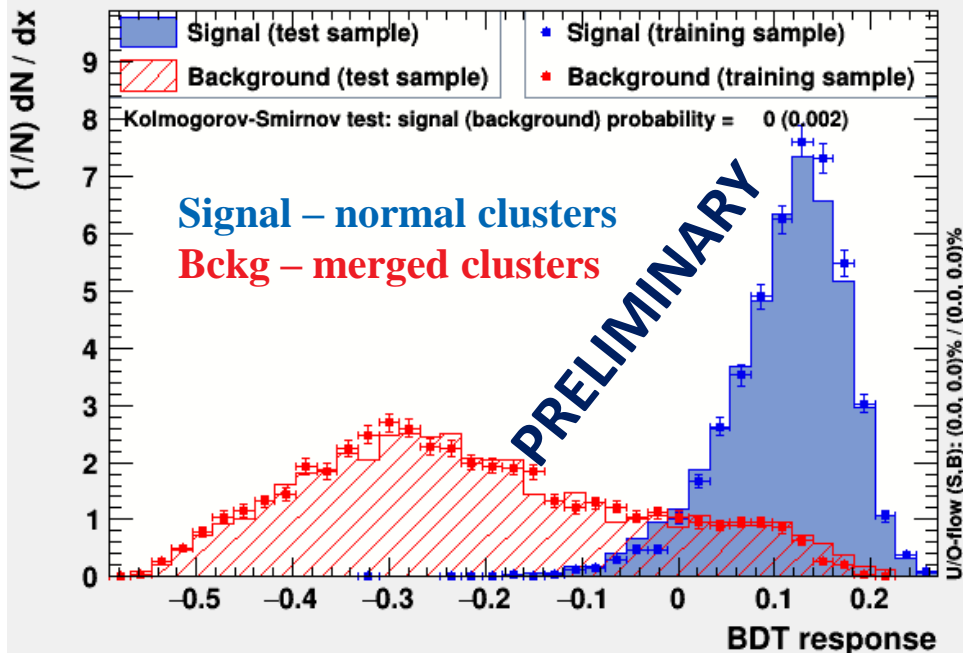


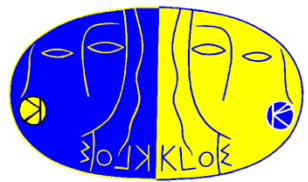
# $\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$ with $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$



- A new analysis of old KLOE data, using  $\sim 4x$  larger data sample ( $\sim 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
- Similar to 5 prompt analysis of B boson
- Variables corrected by a kinematic fit to improve resolution
- Kinematic fit with  $\eta(\gamma\gamma)\pi^0(\gamma\gamma)$  mass constrains to reject  $\phi \rightarrow (a_0 \rightarrow \eta \pi^0) \gamma$
- Two  $\pi^0$  events removed to suppress  $\phi \rightarrow (f_0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0) \gamma$  and  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow (\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma) \pi^0$
- TMVA-BDT based rejection for  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$  cases with merged clusters using shape of the clusters as an input

TMVA overtraining check for classifier: BDT

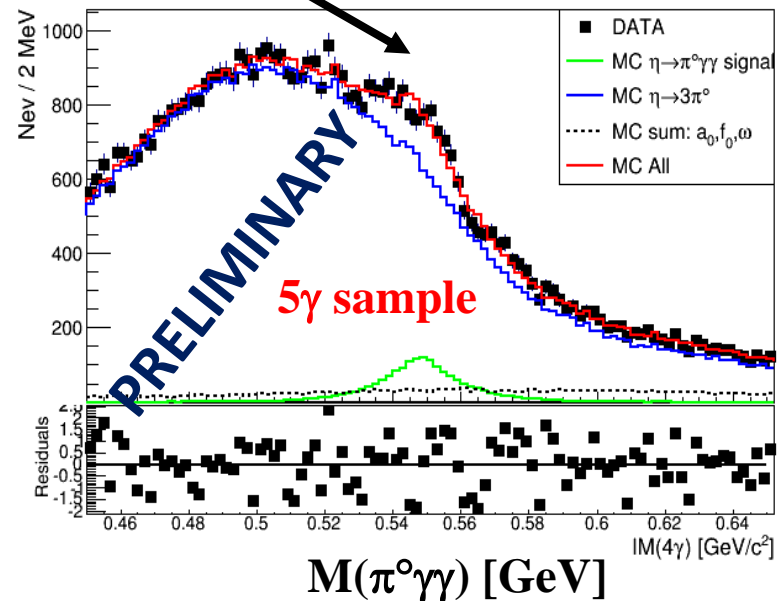
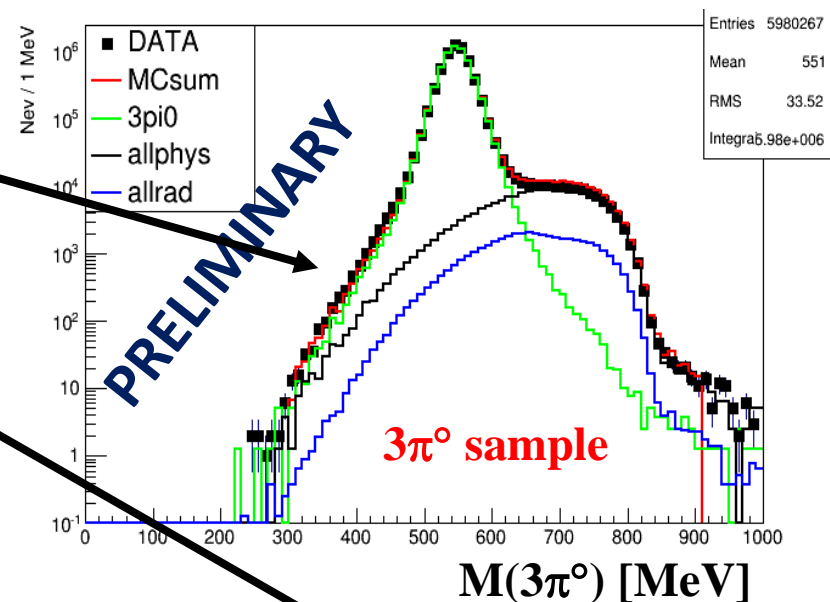


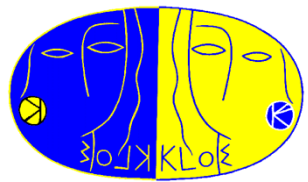


# $\phi \rightarrow \eta \gamma$ with $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$



- Normalization to  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$  sample in order to reduce systematic effects
- Clear signal evidence on data distribution with S/B ratio  $\sim 0.1$  in the signal region, achieved with  $\epsilon_s \sim 20\%$
- Number of signal events  $\sim 1700$
- Statistical uncertainty reduced by a factor three with respect to the old preliminary KLOE result
- Consistency check of different fitting strategies and systematic uncertainty evaluation ongoing
- Extraction of  $M(\gamma\gamma)$  in progress



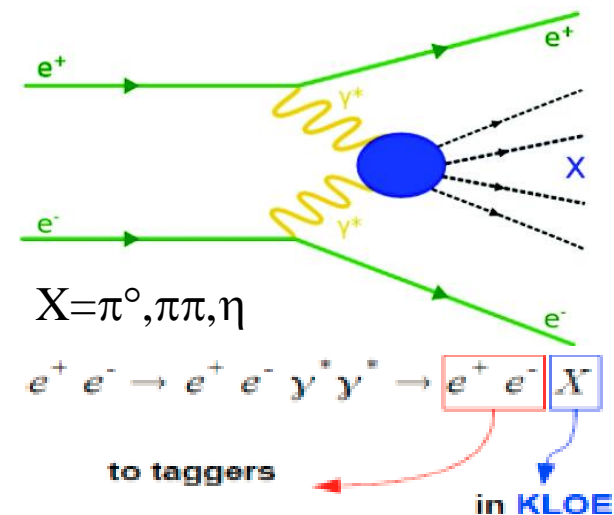


# $\gamma\gamma$ physics with High Energy Tagger

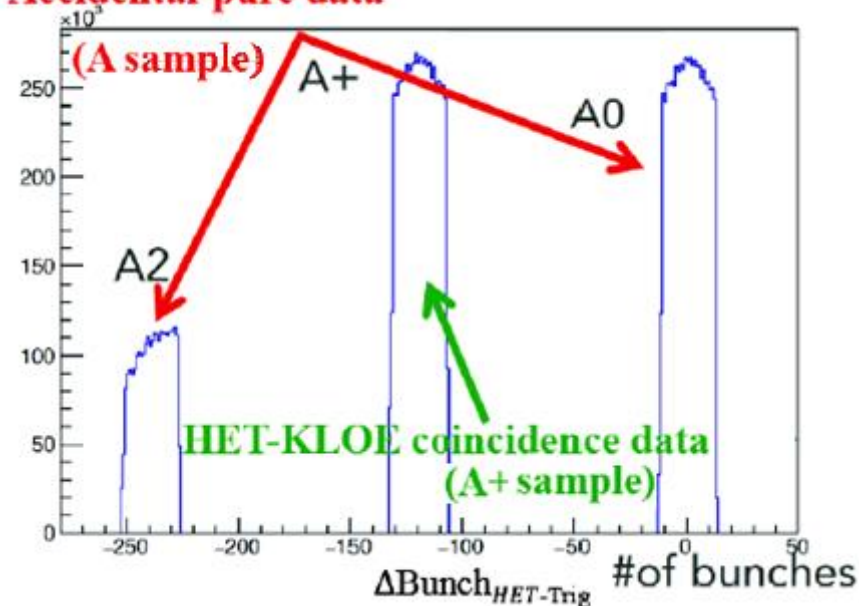


- Precise measurement of  $\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$
- Transition FF  $F_{\pi\gamma^*\gamma}(q^2, 0)$  in the space-like region ( $|q^2| < 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
- Impact on value and precision of  $a_\mu^{LbL; \pi^0}$

Concept – see [Eur. Phys. J. C 72 (2012) 1917]

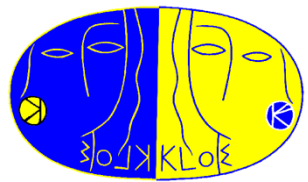


## Accidental-pure data



- Scintillator hodoscope + PMTs, inserted 11 m from IP
- High Energy Tagger (HET) acquisition synchronized with DAFNE and KLOE trigger
- Coincidence between HET and KLOE EMC (**A+ sample**)
- Evaluation of the uncorrelated HET-KLOE time coincidences (**A sample**)
- Number of  $\pi^0$  tagged events from  $\gamma\gamma$  fusion extracted from A+/A comparison

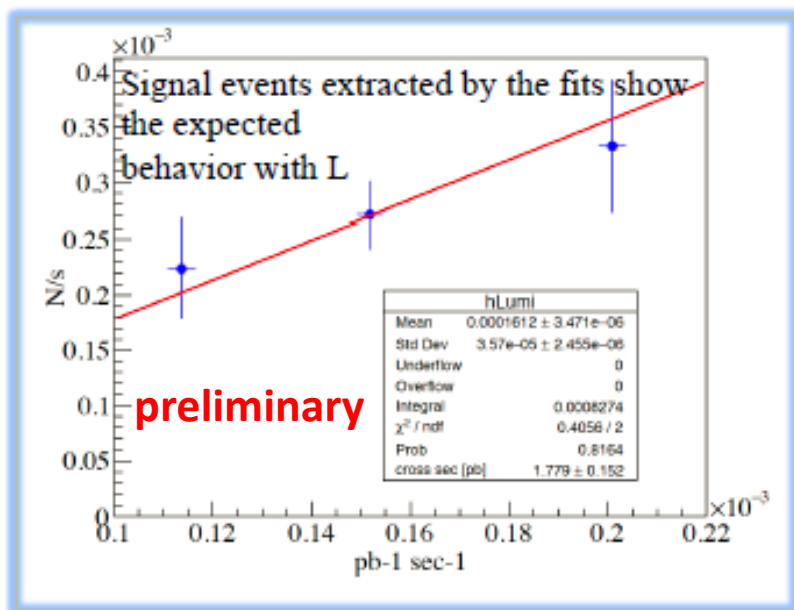
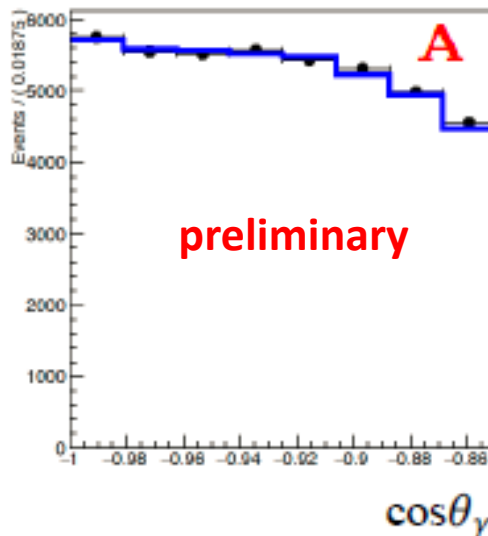
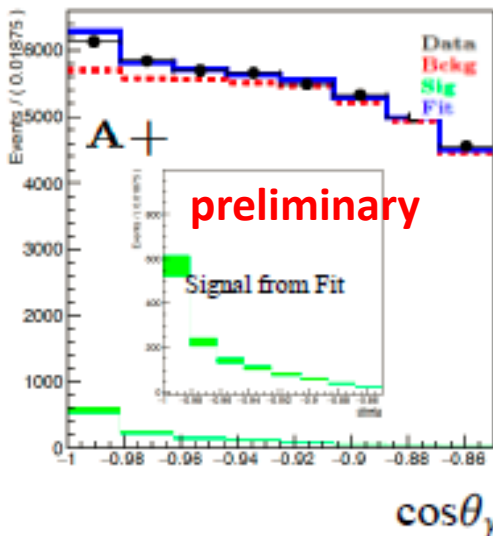




# Status of $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi^0$ search

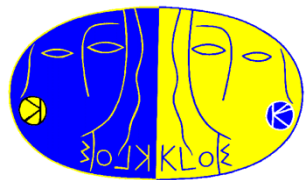


$$\Delta T_{\gamma\gamma} - \Delta R_{\gamma\gamma}/c < 0.3 \text{ ns}$$



Example of  $\cos\theta_{\gamma\gamma}$  fits in coincidence (**A+**) and accidental (**A**) samples with signal enriching cut

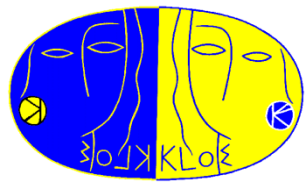
- 3fb<sup>-1</sup> of data with optimized calibration constants to improve time and energy resolutions
- Simultaneous fits of **A+**/**A** samples in  $M_{\gamma\gamma}$ ,  $\cos\theta_{\gamma\gamma}$ ,  $\Delta T_{\gamma\gamma} - \Delta R_{\gamma\gamma}/c$
- Fit to accidental-pure samples (**A**) used to constrain the number of accidentals in **A+**
- **8% statistical precision on signal reached from a 1.5fb<sup>-1</sup> part of data sample**



# Conclusions



- KLOE data sample is still allowing us to perform several high precision measurements such as:
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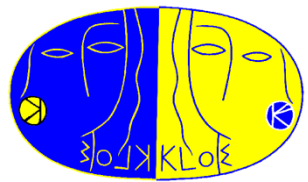


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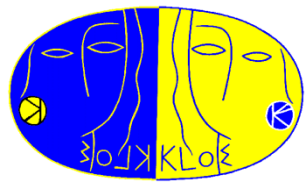


# Perspectives for KLOE-2



- KLOE-2 is not only about **increased statistics**:
  - **QCALT+CCALT**: will increase acceptance for photons from the interaction point (from  $21^\circ$  to  $10^\circ$ )
  - **Inner Tracker**: will improve resolution of tracking and will help to achieve a better vertex reconstruction
  - **HET**: allows  $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$  search
- With  $\sim 2.4 \cdot 10^8$   $\phi$  mesons and  $N_\eta \sim 3 \cdot 10^8$  in KLOE/KLOE-2 we expect:
  - $\sim 5000$  events of  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma$  (was  $\sim 70$ )
  - Better background reduction from  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$  thanks to increased detector's acceptance for photons coming at small angles
  - Improvement of a factor of  $\sim 3.5$  in  $\pi^0 \gamma$  invariant mass sensitivity for the upper limit calculation
- The expected upper limit for  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$  with the full KLOE/KLOE-2 statistics is  $2.7 \cdot 10^{-6}$  @ 90% CL

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# Low angle radiative Bhabha cross section



- HET counting rates dominated by low-angle radiative Bhabha's scattering
- BHA useful to check HET detector operational stability and validate acceptance and efficiency of the detector by comparison with the MC simulations
- Only plastics from 11 to 28 are used for  $\pi^0$  search

