



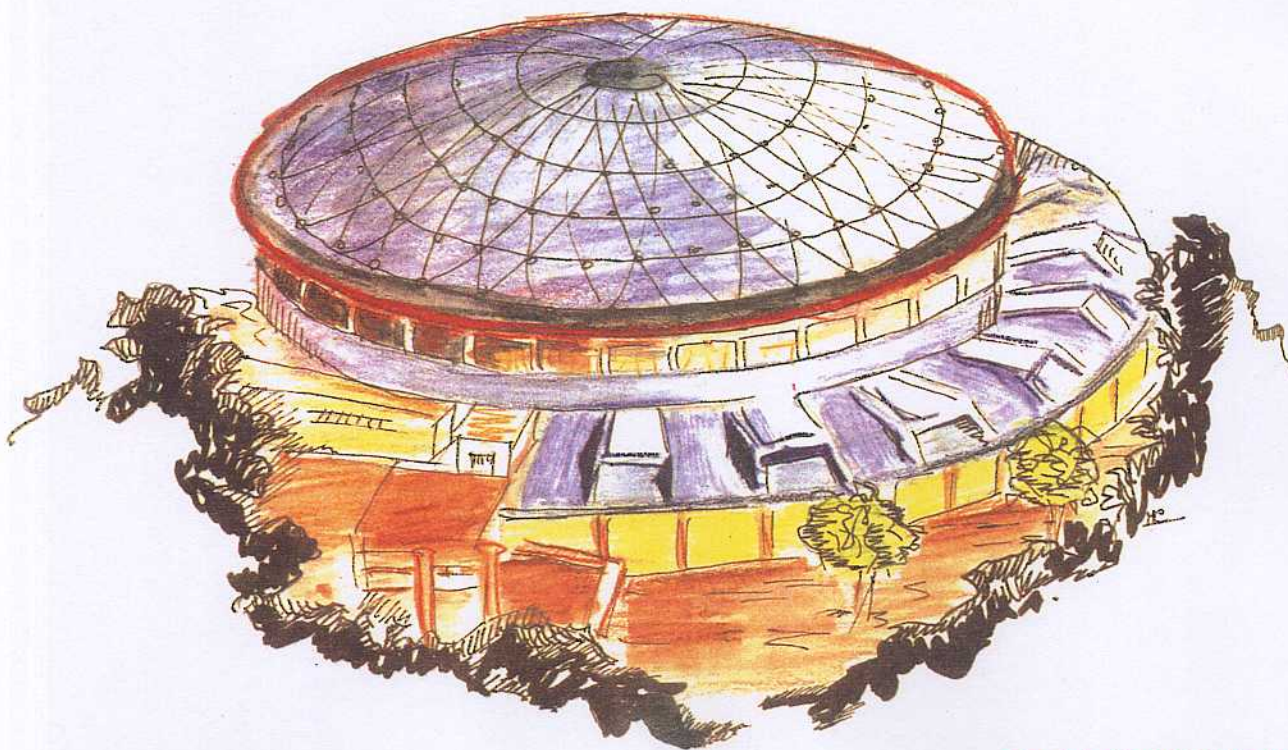
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## Abstract

Starting from the time evolution of the C-odd  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  system, we study the CP, T and CPT violation by means of the experimentally measurable asymmetries. In particular in  $K_L \rightarrow 2\pi$  CP violating decays an accuracy of  $\simeq 2 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $3 \times 10^{-3}$  on  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon'})$  and  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon'})$  seems to be achievable. CP, T and CPT violation parameters can be explored in  $K_S$  semileptonic decays with an accuracy of the order of  $10^{-3}$ .

## 1 Introduction

The  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  state produced in the decay of the  $\phi$  resonance is odd under charge conjugation and is therefore an antisymmetric  $K_L K_S$  state. Therefore in a  $\phi$  factory it is possible to have in the same detector a  $K_L$  and a  $K_S$  decay without the need of a regenerator and with relative flux of  $K_L$  and  $K_S$  perfectly known.

For this reason the  $\phi$  factory is very suitable to study CP violation in K decays and to measure the ratio  $\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}$ [1]. Moreover the coherence of the initial state supplies several independent tests of CPT[2, 3] different from the measurement of  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  and the presence of a pure  $K_S$  beam allows the determination of the branching ratios of some suppressed  $K_S$  decays like the semileptonic ones.

To extract  $\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}$  from experimental data, the time evolution of the initial  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  state can be exploited and time asymmetries in  $\pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $\pi^0\pi^0$  final state can be studied, as suggested in [4]. Otherwise the so called double ratio R of NA31[5] and E731[6] experiments can be measured by tagging the  $K_S$  and  $K_L$ [7]. Another method is the comparison of branching ratios of decays with different charge configurations[8].

In the following we will refer, for the experimental set-up, to a  $\phi$ -factory similar to the DAFNE project[9]. At that facility a conservative estimate of the achievable luminosity is  $L = 5 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  with corresponding production of  $2.5 \times 10^{10} \phi$  per year.

## 2 Time evolution and the real part of $\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}$

Let us consider the following decay chain

$$\phi \rightarrow (\bar{K}^0 K^0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[K_S K_L - K_L K_S] \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, \pi^0\pi^0 \quad (1)$$

The differential rate of events with a  $\pi^+\pi^-$  pair produced at distance  $d_c$  from the interaction vertex and a  $\pi^0\pi^0$  pair produced at distance  $d_n$  is given by

$$N(d_c, d_n) = \Gamma_S^{+-} \Gamma_S^{00} \left[ |\eta^{+-}|^2 \exp\left(-\frac{d_c}{d_L} - \frac{d_n}{d_S}\right) + |\eta^{00}|^2 \exp\left(-\frac{d_n}{d_L} - \frac{d_c}{d_S}\right) - 2 \exp\left(-\frac{\Gamma}{\Gamma_S} \frac{d_c + d_n}{d_S}\right) \text{Re}\left(\eta^{+-} (\eta^{00})^* \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma_S} \frac{d_c - d_n}{d_S}\right)\right) \right] \quad (2)$$

Where

$$\Gamma_S^{ab} = \Gamma(K_S \rightarrow \pi^a \pi^b) \quad \Gamma = \frac{1}{2}(\Gamma_S + \Gamma_L) \quad \Delta m = m_L - m_S$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta^{+-} &= \frac{A(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)}{A(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)} = \epsilon + \epsilon' \\ \eta^{00} &= \frac{A(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0)}{A(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0)} = \epsilon - 2\epsilon' \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$d_S$  and  $d_L$  are the mean decay paths of the  $K_S$  and the  $K_L$ . From the decay of a  $\phi$  at rest  $d_S = 0.58 \text{ cm}$  and  $d_L = 340 \text{ cm}$ .

The rate of the events inside the detector with a fixed value of the difference  $d = d_c - d_n$  is :

$$\begin{aligned}
 N(d) = & \frac{\Gamma_S^{+-} \Gamma_S^{00}}{2\Gamma} \left\{ \left[ |\eta^{+-}|^2 \left( \exp\left(\frac{-d}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-D}{d_L} - \frac{D-d}{d_S}\right) \right) + |\eta^{00}|^2 \exp\left(\frac{-d}{d_S}\right) - \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. - 2 \exp\left(\frac{-\Gamma}{\Gamma_S} \frac{d}{d_S}\right) \Re\left(\eta^{+-} (\eta^{00})^* \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma_S} \frac{d}{d_S}\right)\right) \right] \times \theta(d) + \right. \\
 & \left. + \left[ |\eta^{00}|^2 \left( \exp\left(\frac{d}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-D}{d_L} - \frac{D+d}{d_S}\right) \right) + |\eta^{+-}|^2 \exp\left(\frac{d}{d_S}\right) - \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. - 2 \exp\left(\frac{\Gamma}{\Gamma_S} \frac{d}{d_S}\right) \Re\left(\eta^{00} (\eta^{+-})^* \exp\left(i \frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma_S} \frac{d}{d_S}\right)\right) \right] \times \theta(-d) \right\} \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $D \gg d_S$  is the maximum decay path inside the detector. In eq.(4) the terms proportional to  $\exp\left(-\frac{D}{d_S}\right)$  have been neglected. In a typical detector at DAFNE,  $D \simeq 150$  cm. and the  $K_L$  acceptance  $S_L = 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{D}{d_L}\right)$  is therefore equal to 35%.

If  $\epsilon I \neq 0$  there is an asymmetry between the events with positive and negative values of  $d$

$$A(d) = \frac{N(|d|) - N(-|d|)}{N(|d|) + N(-|d|)} = A_R(d) \times \Re\left(\frac{\epsilon I}{\epsilon}\right) - A_I(d) \times \Im\left(\frac{\epsilon I}{\epsilon}\right) \quad (5)$$

The study of the  $|d|$  dependence of the asymmetry allows, in principle, the determination of the real and imaginary part of  $\left(\frac{\epsilon I}{\epsilon}\right)$ . The  $A_R(d)$  and  $A_I(d)$  coefficients, shown in Fig.(1), are defined as :

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_R(d) = & 3 \frac{\exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_S}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_L}\right) + \exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_S}\right) - 2 \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma} \frac{|d|}{d_S}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\Gamma |d|}{\Gamma_S d_S}\right)} \\
 A_I(d) = & 3 \frac{2 \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma_S} \frac{|d|}{d_S}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\Gamma |d|}{\Gamma_S d_S}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_L}\right) + \exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_S}\right) - 2 \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma} \frac{|d|}{d_S}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\Gamma |d|}{\Gamma_S d_S}\right)} \quad (6)
 \end{aligned}$$

In eq.(5) terms proportional to  $\left(\frac{\epsilon I}{\epsilon}\right)^2$  have been neglected .

It can be seen that  $A_R(d)$  becomes nearly independent on  $d$ , and equal to 3, for  $d \gg d_S = 0.6$  cm . On the other hand  $A_I(d)$  is strongly dependent of  $d$  and vanishes for  $d \gg d_S$ . Therefore a measurement of the asymptotic value of  $A(d)$  or of the value of the integrated asymmetry  $A$

$$A = \frac{N(d > 0) - N(d < 0)}{N(d > 0) + N(d < 0)} \simeq 3 \Re\left(\frac{\epsilon I}{\epsilon}\right) \quad (7)$$

allows a clean determination of  $\Re\left(\frac{\epsilon I}{\epsilon}\right)$ . The statistical error on  $A$  is given by:

$$\sigma_A = \sqrt{\frac{(1+A) \times (1-A)}{N}} \quad (8)$$

where  $N$  is the number of  $\phi \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ ,  $\pi^0 \pi^0$  events. At the the reference DAFNE luminosity the statistical error on  $\Re\left(\frac{\epsilon I}{\epsilon}\right)$  is then :

$$\sigma_{\Re\left(\frac{\epsilon I}{\epsilon}\right)} \simeq \frac{\sigma_A}{3} \simeq \frac{1}{3\sqrt{N}} \simeq 1.7 \times 10^{-4} \quad (9)$$

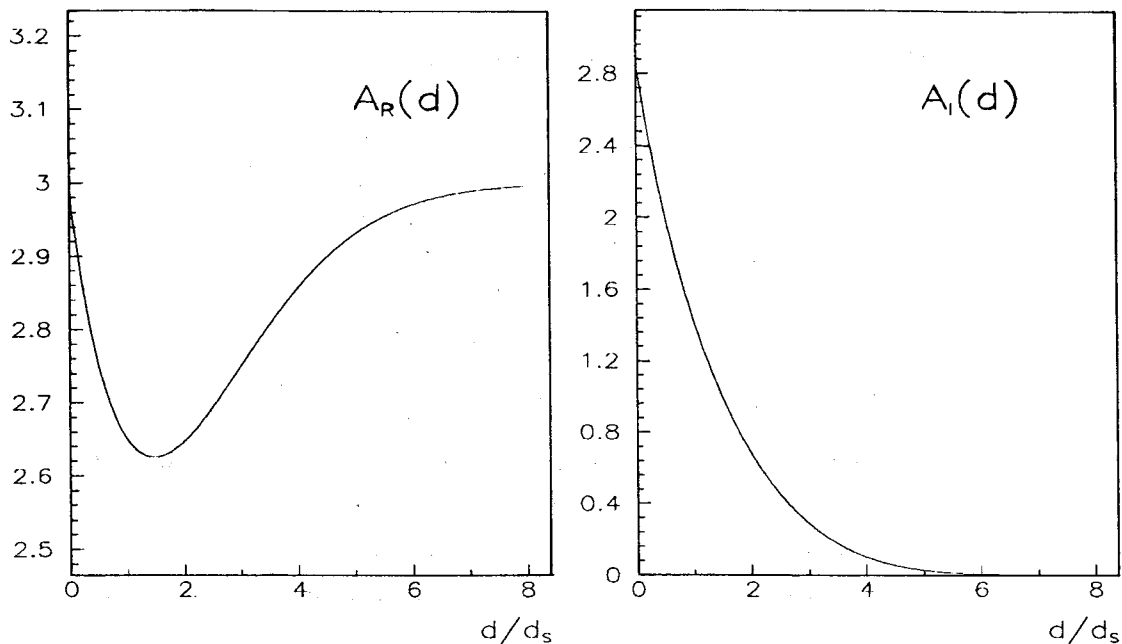


Figure 1: Coefficients of  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  and  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  in the  $N(d)$  distributions

### 3 The $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$ and the experimental decay vertex resolution

The integrated asymmetry  $A$  allows a precise determination of  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  but gives no information on the imaginary part of  $\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}$ .

To overcome this problem a further method can be exploited to measure both  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  and  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  from the  $K_L K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0, \pi^+ \pi^-$  decay time difference: the experimental distribution  $N(d)$  can be fitted by the theoretical distribution of eq.(4) and  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  and  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  can be used as free parameters of the fit.

It must be stressed that this procedure is very sensitive to the experimental resolution on the measurement of  $d$ . The information contained in the shape of the  $N(d)$  distribution can be easily washed out, in particular in the region of interest for the determination of  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$ , where  $d \simeq d_S$ . In fact only in this range of  $d$  values  $A_I(d) \neq 0$  and the strongly varying behaviour of  $A_I(d)$  can be smeared out by a bad vertex reconstruction.

This effect is shown in fig.2 where the theoretical distribution is compared to a simulated experimental distribution with a gaussian error on the  $d$  measurement equal to 5 mm.

To take into account the effect of the finite experimental resolution we assume that the corresponding error distribution  $g_\sigma(x)$  is well known and we define an experimental decay time difference distribution :

$$f_\sigma^{exp}(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(d) g_\sigma(y-d) d(d) \quad (10)$$

$y$  is the actual measured  $d_c - d_n$  distance. The  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  and  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  parameter can now be extracted by fitting the data with this corrected distribution.

The statistical accuracy that can be achieved in the determination of a parameter  $p$

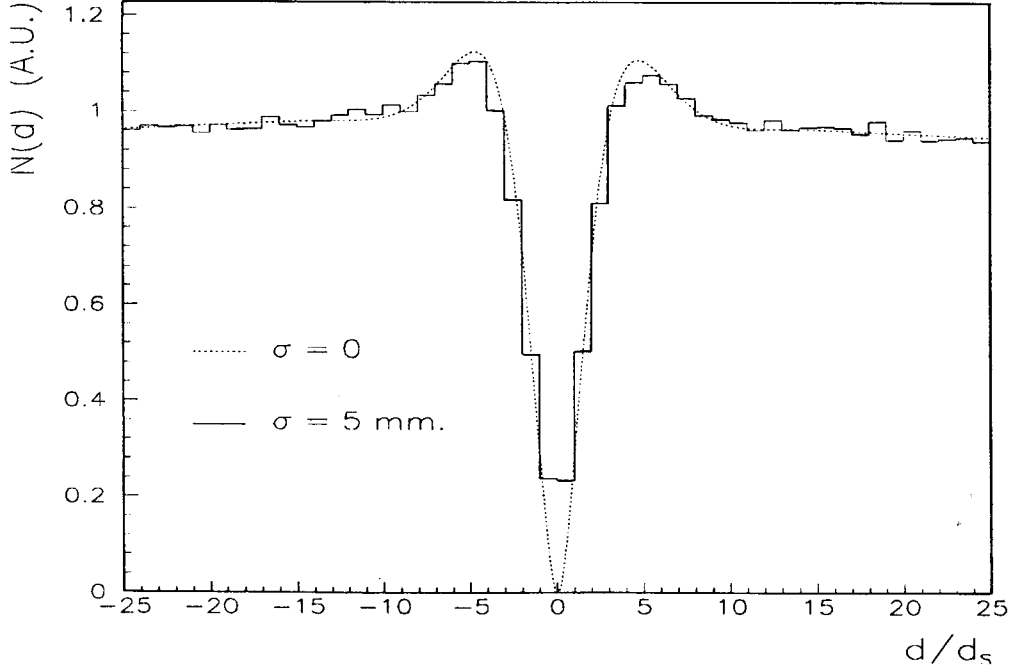


Figure 2: Comparison between the theoretical  $N(d)$  distribution and that obtained with a  $\sigma = 5\text{mm}$  vertex resolution

from a  $N$  events sample distributed with a function  $f(x, p)$  is given by :

$$\sigma_p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left( \int \frac{1}{f} \left[ \frac{df(x; p)}{dp} \right]^2 dx \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad (11)$$

In this way we can study the statistical accuracy achievable on  $\mathfrak{S} \left( \frac{d}{c} \right)$  with respect to different experimental resolution. To take into account eventual non-gaussian tails in the vertex reconstruction we define a very general experimental error distribution made of a sum of  $n = 1, 2, 3$  gaussians , each with increasing  $\sigma$ ,  $\sigma_k = k\sigma$  and decreasing weight  $= \frac{1}{k}$  :

$$g_\sigma^n(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \right)^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k^2} \exp \left( \frac{-x^2}{2\sigma^2 k^2} \right) \quad (12)$$

Resolution functions with a given  $\sigma$  and different index  $n$  have nearly the same FWHM, approximately equal to 2.36 times  $\sigma$  . On the other hand the RMS, and also the "tails", of the distributions grow with the index  $n$ . In this way we parametrized the width and the "tails" of the experimental resolution function by the  $\sigma$  and the index  $n$  of distribution  $g_\sigma^n(x)$ .

For a function with  $n = 1$  ( gaussian error ) the "corrected" distribution of eq (10) is given by :

$$f_\sigma^{exp}(y) = \frac{C_1^2}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \left\{ \exp \left( -y + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) \int_{-y}^{\infty} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{t}{\sigma} + \sigma \right)^2 \right] dt - \exp \left( \beta y + \frac{\sigma^2 \beta^2}{2} \right) \int_{-\infty}^{-y} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{t}{\sigma} - \beta \sigma \right)^2 \right] dt \right\} +$$

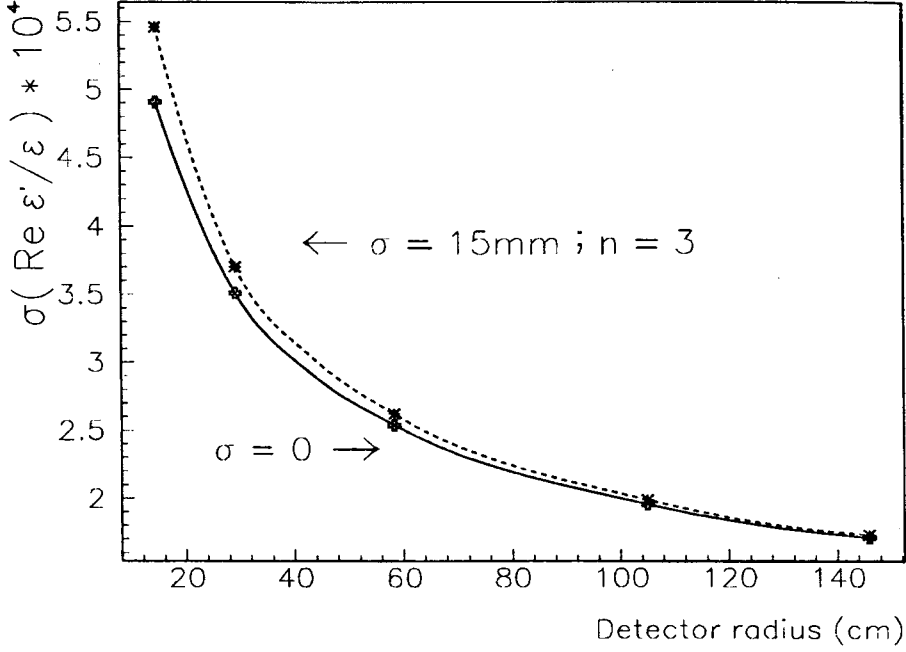


Figure 3: Statistical accuracy achievable on  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  with respect to different detector sizes

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{C_2^2}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \left\{ \exp\left(y + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) \int_{-\infty}^{-y} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{t}{\sigma} - \sigma\right)^2\right] dt + \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \exp\left(-\beta y + \frac{\sigma^2\beta^2}{2}\right) \int_{-y}^{\infty} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{t}{\sigma} + \beta\sigma\right)^2\right] dt \right\} - \\
 & \frac{2C_1C_2}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \left\{ \exp\left(-y\frac{1+\beta}{2}\right) \int_{-y}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2} - t\frac{1+\beta}{2}\right) \cos[\chi(t+y) + \Delta\phi] + \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \exp\left(y\frac{1+\beta}{2}\right) \int_{-\infty}^{-y} \exp\left(-\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2} + t\frac{1+\beta}{2}\right) \cos[\chi(t+y) + \Delta\phi] \right\} \quad (13)
 \end{aligned}$$

$t = d - y$ ,  $y$  and  $\sigma$  are expressed in  $d_S$  units. We defined the following quantities:

$$C_1^2 = 1 + 2\Re\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right) + \left(\Re\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right)\right)^2 \quad C_2^2 = 1 - 4\Re\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right) + 4\left(\Re\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right)\right)^2 \quad (14)$$

$$\beta = \frac{d_S}{d_L} \quad \chi = \frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma_S} \quad \Delta\phi = 3 \times \Im\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right) \quad (15)$$

The statistical accuracy on the  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  shown in fig. 3 refers to different apparatus sizes and was obtained via eq.(11) using a  $\sigma = 0$  (cross) and a  $\sigma = 15$  mm,  $n = 3$  (star) experimental resolution. Since the value of this parameter is determined by the difference in height of the two flat wings of the  $d$  distribution, the vertex resolution does not affect very much this measurement. The statistical error on  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  is then dominated by the number of events that can be collected.

On the other hand the accuracy on  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  is critically affected by the resolution, as shown in fig. 4. The obtained  $\sigma = 0$  limit is in agreement with earlier results[10]. We assume that the uncertainty on the  $d$  determination comes mainly from the neutral vertex reconstruction. A realistic simulation of a  $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$  vertex reconstruction can be

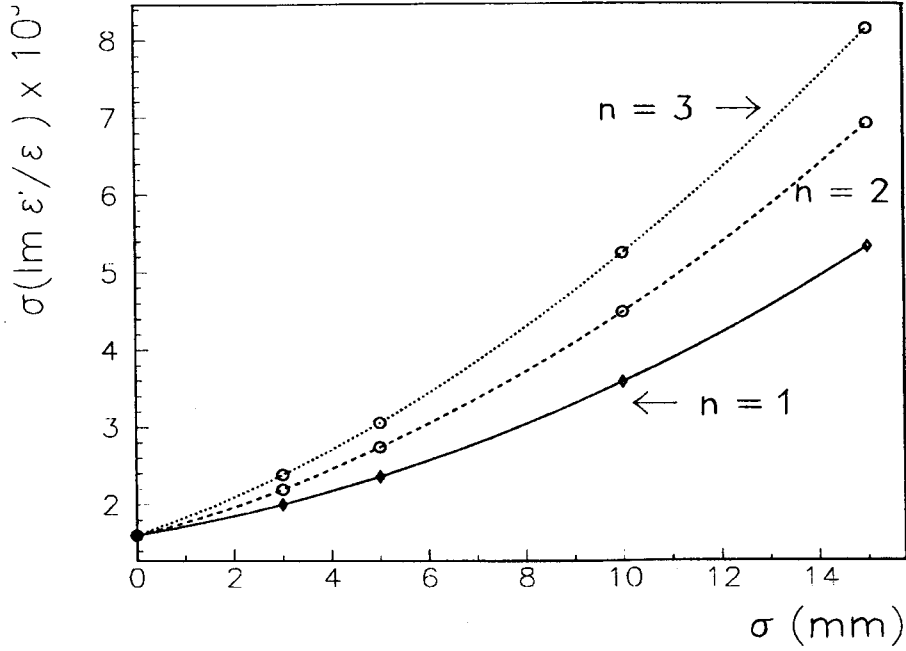


Figure 4: Statistical accuracy achievable on  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  with respect to different vertex resolution

found in [11]. The author obtained a simulated vertex resolution function that is well approximated by a  $g_\sigma^n(x)$  with  $n=2$  and "nominal"  $\sigma = .7$  cm. The estimated accuracy achievable by this analysis method with such a realistic detector:

$$\sigma_{\Re}(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}) = 1.8 \times 10^{-4} \quad ; \quad \sigma_{\Im}(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}) = 3.4 \times 10^{-3} \quad (16)$$

These numbers are to be compared with the present experimental situation :

$$\begin{array}{lll} \Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}) = (2.3 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-3} & \Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}) = (-1.2 \pm 17) \times 10^{-3} & NA31[5] \\ \Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}) = (0.6 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-3} & \Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}) = (+3.1 \pm 9.3) \times 10^{-3} & E731[6] \end{array}$$

## 4 C-even background

Till now we assumed that the  $4\pi$  events can be generated only by the process in eq.(1). However some years ago it has been pointed out that radiative decay of the  $\phi$  can generate a C-even  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  state [12] :

$$\phi \rightarrow (f_0 \div a_0) + \gamma = (\bar{K}^0 K^0)_{C=+} + \gamma \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (K_S K_S - K_L K_L) + \gamma \quad (17)$$

If the branching ratio of process in eq.(17) is not negligible the CP conserving decay of its  $K_S K_S$  component can generate a large number of symmetric  $4\pi$  events that washes out the asymmetry. Moreover due to the small energy of the radiative photon ( $E_\gamma < 21 MeV$ ) it will be difficult to identify the process in eq.(17) by kinematical reconstruction or by direct detection of the photon.



The estimated rate of this C-even process is strongly model dependent and the predicted branching ratios range from  $10^{-5}$  to  $10^{-9}$ . A complete review of the subject has been done in [13], and, according to this reference, the smaller estimates for the B.R. seem to be the more likely. In this case the C-even background does not affect the previous discussion. To be more quantitative with a B.R.  $\simeq 10^{-7}$  the ratio of C- even and C-odd  $4\pi$  events is of the order of  $10^{-4}$  and therefore completely negligible.

It must be stressed that the real part of  $\frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon}$  can be measured also if the B.R. of eq.(17) would be unrealistically large, exploiting the different topological features of the C-even and of the C-odd state [14]. Chosen a distance  $a$ , with  $d_S \ll a \ll d_L$ , let us consider the events with  $0 < d_c < a < d_n < D$  (A class events) or with  $0 < d_n < a < d_c < D$  (B class events); from a C-odd  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  pair one has

$$N_A^- = \frac{\Gamma_S^{+-} \Gamma_S^{00}}{\Gamma_S \Gamma_L} \left[ |\eta^{+-}|^2 S_1 + |\eta^{00}|^2 S_2 + \text{Re} \left( \eta^{+-} (\eta^{00})^* \right) S_3 \right] \quad (18)$$

$$N_B^- = \frac{\Gamma_S^{+-} \Gamma_S^{00}}{\Gamma_S \Gamma_L} \left[ |\eta^{+-}|^2 S_2 + |\eta^{00}|^2 S_1 + \text{Re} \left( \eta^{+-} (\eta^{00})^* \right) S_3 \right] \quad (19)$$

and from a C-even  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  pair :

$$N_A^+ = N_B^+ \simeq \frac{\Gamma_S^{+-} \Gamma_S^{00}}{\Gamma_S \Gamma_L} |\epsilon|^2 B \quad (20)$$

The  $S_i$  and B coefficients are defined in [14]. Their approximate expressions are :

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &\simeq \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_S}\right) \left[ 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right) \right] \\ S_2 &= \left[ 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_S}\right) \right] \left[ \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-D}{d_L}\right) \right] \\ S_3 &\simeq -2 \frac{\Gamma_S \Gamma_L}{\Gamma^2 + \Delta m^2} \exp\left(\frac{-a}{2d_S}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma_S} \frac{a}{d_S}\right) \\ B &\simeq \frac{\Gamma_L}{\Gamma_S |\epsilon|^2} \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_S}\right) \left[ 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_S}\right) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

For  $d_S \ll a \ll d_L$ ,  $S_1$  and  $S_3$  are negligible, and  $S_2$  is almost equal to the total acceptance of the detector. The B coefficient is suppressed by the exponential factor  $\exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_S}\right)$  and, in spite of the large  $|\epsilon|^{-2}$  factor,  $\frac{B}{S_1} \ll 1$  ( i.e.  $a = 10 d_S \simeq 6 \text{cm}$   $\frac{B}{S_1} \simeq 4.3 \times 10^{-2}$ ).

The asymmetry between A and B events is

$$\bar{A} = \frac{N_B - N_A}{N_B + N_A} = \frac{|\eta^{+-}|^2 - |\eta^{00}|^2}{|\eta^{+-}|^2 + |\eta^{00}|^2 + \frac{2\alpha|\epsilon|^2 B}{S_2}} \simeq \frac{3 \text{Re} \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon}}{1 + \alpha \frac{B}{S_1}} \quad (23)$$

Where  $\alpha$  is the ratio of C-even  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  present in the initial state:

$$\alpha = \frac{BR \left( \phi \rightarrow \left( \bar{K}^0 K^0 \right)_{c=+1} + \gamma \right)}{BR \left( \phi \rightarrow \left( \bar{K}^0 K^0 \right)_{c=-1} \right)} \quad (24)$$

Eq.(23) shows that for any value of  $\alpha$  compatible with measured  $\phi$  branching ratios the C-even background cannot affect the determination of  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$ . In the C region (both decay paths less than  $a$ ) on the contrary the ratio between the background and the signal is of the order of  $10^4\alpha$ . Since  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  is mostly related with the number of the events in the C region, this background must be carefully taken into account.

## 5 C-even background effect on $Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$

The background contribution is symmetric in  $d$  and neglecting the  $K_L K_L$  component (negligible in this region) we obtain :

$$N^+(d) = \alpha \frac{\Gamma_S^{+-} \Gamma_S^{00}}{2\Gamma_S} \exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_S}\right) \quad (25)$$

This distribution overlaps the signal just in the interference zone ,  $d \simeq d_S$ , worsening the resolution on  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$ .

However the signal ( $K_L K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0, \pi^+ \pi^-$ ) and the background ( $K_S K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0, \pi^+ \pi^-$ ) have different spatial behaviour:  $A_I(d)$  is an odd function of  $d$  and the  $N^+(d)$  in eq.(25) is even. This different behaviour is of help to disentangle the signal contribution from the background.

To study the C-even background effect we assume that a detector implemented at DAFNE has an efficiency of detection of a 21 MeV  $\gamma$  equal to 80 %, according to the results of detailed detector simulation [15]. To introduce the C-even background in our fitting procedure we add the background  $N^+(d)$  to the initial theoretical  $N(d)$  distribution of the signal in the definition of the  $f_\sigma(y)$  distribution. Then we compute the accuracy on  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  for different  $BR(\phi \rightarrow f_0 + \gamma)$ . Reasonable experimental resolution function  $g_\sigma^n(x)$  with  $n=2$  and different values of the of nominal  $\sigma$  was used. The accuracy on  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  is shown in the table below compared with that obtained without the background. As it can be seen for realistic vertex resolution the worsening is around the 5% of no-background value.

$\sigma (mm)$	0	3	5	10	15
$B_\phi \rightarrow f_0 + \gamma = 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$7.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$B_\phi \rightarrow f_0 + \gamma = 0$	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$

## 6 C-even background measurement

As discussed in[16] the C-even background can be measured detecting the low energy  $\gamma$  associated. Otherwise the event distribution inside the detector can be used to single out the  $K_L K_L$  component of the C-even  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  state.

If  $|f_i\rangle$  is one final state produced in a  $K_L$  allowed decay :

$$|f_i\rangle = (e^\pm \nu \pi^\mp) , (\mu^\pm \nu \pi^\mp) , (\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0) \quad (26)$$

then  $\sum_i BR(K_L \rightarrow f_i) = 0.78$ [17],  $\sum_i BR(K_S \rightarrow f_i) \simeq 1.1 \times 10^{-3}$ <sup>1</sup>; the total number of

<sup>1</sup>On theoretical ground the  $K_S$  semileptonic branching ratio is  $\frac{\Gamma_L}{\Gamma_S} BR(K_L \rightarrow l + \nu)$  and that of  $K_S \rightarrow 3\pi$  is estimated to be  $\simeq 10^{-7}$ [18]

$|f_i\rangle, |f_j\rangle$  final states with both decay paths larger than  $a$  is

$$\sum_{ij} N_D(f_i, f_j) = N_\phi \times BR(\phi \rightarrow K^0 \bar{K}^0) \left\{ 0.61 \times \frac{\alpha}{2} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-D}{d_L}\right) \right]^2 + 8.6 \cdot 10^{-4} \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_S}\right) \left[ \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-D}{d_L}\right) \right] \right\} \quad (27)$$

For  $a = 20 d_S$

$$\sum_{ij} N_D(f_i, f_j) = N_\phi \times \left\{ 3.2 \cdot 10^{-2} \times BR(\phi \rightarrow (K^0 \bar{K}^0)_{C=+}) + 2 \cdot 10^{-13} \right\} \quad (28)$$

With the project luminosity of DAFNE and for a  $BR(\phi \rightarrow (K^0 \bar{K}^0)_{C=+}) \simeq 5 \times 10^{-8}$ , about 40 of such events in a year are produced. The corresponding contribution from the odd state is  $\simeq 10^{-2}$  per year.

## 7 Semileptonic $K_S$ decays and CP violation

The semileptonic decays of  $K_S$  are interesting to test the  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  mass matrix and decay amplitudes. Assuming CPT and  $\Delta S = \Delta Q$  rule, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(K_S \rightarrow l^+ + x) &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{|1 + \epsilon|^2}{1 + |\epsilon|^2} \Gamma(K^0 \rightarrow l^+ + x) = \Gamma(K_L \rightarrow l^+ + x) \\ \Gamma(K_S \rightarrow l^- + x) &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{|1 - \epsilon|^2}{1 + |\epsilon|^2} \Gamma(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow l^- + x) = \Gamma(K_L \rightarrow l^- + x) \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

therefore

$$BR(K_S \rightarrow l + x) = \frac{\Gamma_L}{\Gamma_S} BR(K_L \rightarrow l + x) \quad (30)$$

and the charge asymmetry in  $K_S$  decay,  $\delta_S$ , must be equal to the  $K_L$  one,  $\delta_L$ .

Without imposing CPT symmetry the  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  mixing can be parametrized introducing two different  $\epsilon$  parameters in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} K_S &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1 + |\epsilon_S|^2)}} \left[ (1 + \epsilon_S) K^0 + (1 - \epsilon_S) \bar{K}^0 \right] \\ K_L &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1 + |\epsilon_L|^2)}} \left[ (1 + \epsilon_L) K^0 - (1 - \epsilon_L) \bar{K}^0 \right] \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

If we consider the following amplitudes :

$$\begin{aligned} M_{11} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{11} &= \langle K^0 | H | K^0 \rangle \\ M_{12} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{12} &= \langle K^0 | H | \bar{K}^0 \rangle \\ M_{22} - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma_{22} &= \langle \bar{K}^0 | H | \bar{K}^0 \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

the  $\epsilon$  parameters can be written:

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_S &= \frac{-i\Im(M_{12}) - \frac{1}{2}\Im(\Gamma_{12}) - \frac{1}{2}\left[M_{11} - M_{22} - \frac{i}{2}(\Gamma_{11} - \Gamma_{22})\right]}{m_L - m_S + i\frac{\Gamma_S - \Gamma_L}{2}} \\ \epsilon_L &= \frac{-i\Im(M_{12}) - \frac{1}{2}\Im(\Gamma_{12}) + \frac{1}{2}\left[M_{11} - M_{22} - \frac{i}{2}(\Gamma_{11} - \Gamma_{22})\right]}{m_L - m_S + i\frac{\Gamma_S - \Gamma_L}{2}}\end{aligned}\quad (33)$$

The CPT symmetry would require  $M_{11} = M_{22}$  and  $\Gamma_{11} = \Gamma_{22}$ , recovering the relation  $\epsilon_S = \epsilon_L = \epsilon$ .

The semileptonic decay amplitude can be parametrized as :

$$\begin{aligned}A(K^0 \rightarrow l^+ + x) &= a(1 - y) \\ A(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow l^- + x) &= a^*(1 + y^*)\end{aligned}\quad (34)$$

here  $a$  is the CPT conserving amplitude and  $y$  is the CPT violation in the amplitude. Thus the charge asymmetries in semileptonic decays can be written as :

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_L &\simeq 2\Re(\epsilon_L) - 2\Re(y) \\ \delta_S &\simeq 2\Re(\epsilon_S) - 2\Re(y) \\ \delta_L - \delta_S &\simeq 2\Re(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)\end{aligned}\quad (35)$$

At a  $\phi$  factory  $K_S$  semileptonic branching ratio can be obtained selecting the events where is observed a decay in one of the previous defined states  $f_i$  with path larger than  $a$  together a semileptonic decay with path shorter than  $a$ .

The number of such events is

$$\begin{aligned}L_S &= N_\phi \times BR(\phi \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 K^0) \left[ \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-D}{d_L}\right) \right] \times \\ &\quad \sum_i BR(K_L \rightarrow f_i) \left\{ BR(K_S \rightarrow l + x) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. \alpha \times BR(K_L \rightarrow l + x) \left[ 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right) \right] \right\}\end{aligned}\quad (36)$$

In eq.(36) the exchanged process ( $K_L \rightarrow l, K_S \rightarrow f_i$ ) has been neglected, its probability being less than

$$\exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_S}\right) \times \left[ \frac{1 - \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-D}{d_L}\right)} \right] = 2.7 \cdot 10^{-6}\quad (37)$$

and only the  $K_L K_L$  component of the C-even background has been considered, since the contribution of the  $K_S K_S$  component is suppressed by the factor

$$\frac{\left(\frac{\Gamma_L}{\Gamma_S}\right)^2 \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_S}\right)}{\left[ \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-D}{d_L}\right) \right] \left[ 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-a}{d_L}\right) \right]} \simeq 10^{-8}\quad (38)$$

Inserting the experimental values of BR[17] and fixing  $a = 10d_S$  we obtain :

$$L_S = N_\phi \times 9.1 \times 10^{-2} BR(K_S \rightarrow l + x) \times (1 + 10\alpha) \quad (39)$$

For the expected values of  $\alpha$  the C-even background does not affect sensibly the determination of the  $BR(K_S \rightarrow l + x)$ .

The charge asymmetry of these events is related to  $\delta_S$  by

$$\delta_S^{exp} = \frac{L_S^+ - L_S^-}{L_S^+ + L_S^-} = \frac{W_-}{W_+} = \frac{\delta_S + 10 \times \alpha \delta_L}{1 + 10 \times \alpha} \quad (40)$$

Where we have defined :

$$W_- = BR(K_S \rightarrow l^+ + x) - BR(K_S \rightarrow l^- + x) + \alpha \left(1 - \exp \frac{-a}{d_L}\right) [BR(K_L \rightarrow l^+ + x) - BR(K_L \rightarrow l^- + x)] \quad (41)$$

$$W_+ = BR(K_S \rightarrow l^+ + x) + BR(K_S \rightarrow l^- + x) + \alpha \left(1 - \exp \frac{-a}{d_L}\right) [BR(K_L \rightarrow l^+ + x) + BR(K_L \rightarrow l^- + x)] \quad (42)$$

for the expected values of  $\alpha$ ,  $\delta_S^{exp}$  is about equal to  $\delta_S$ , moreover

$$\delta_S^{exp} - \delta_L = \frac{\delta_S - \delta_L}{1 + 10 \times \alpha} \quad (43)$$

Eq.(43) shows that the C-even background cannot simulate CPT violation.

We assume conservatively that in the experimental determination of  $K_S$  charge asymmetry only the electrons can be used. In fact the main semileptonic decays of neutral kaons are  $K \rightarrow e^\pm + \pi^\mp + \nu$  or  $K \rightarrow \mu^\pm + \pi^\mp + \nu$  and could be difficult to distinguish  $\mu^+\pi^-$  and  $\mu^-\pi^+$  final states. With the project luminosity of DAFNE ( $2.5 \times 10^{10}\phi$  per year), the statistical error on  $\delta_S$  is of about  $.94 \times 10^{-3}$ .

Using the experimental value [17]  $\delta_L = (3.27 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-3}$  the CPT conservation in Kaon mass matrix ( $\delta_S = \delta_L$ ) can be tested within more than  $3 \times \sigma$

$$\frac{\sigma_{\Re(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)}}{\Re(\epsilon_L)} \simeq 0.29 \quad (44)$$

A limit on  $\Re(y)$  ( CPT violating amplitude ) can be put comparing  $\delta_L$  with  $\eta^{+-}$  ; allowing CPT violation in  $K_L \rightarrow 2\pi$  decay amplitudes and neglecting  $\epsilon'$  one has [3]:

$$\frac{\delta_L}{2} - \Re(\eta^{+-}) \simeq -\Re(y) - \frac{\Re(B_0)}{\Re(A_0)} = (0.6 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-4} \quad (45)$$

where  $A_0$  and  $B_0$  are the CPT conserving and violating  $K^0 \rightarrow (2\pi)_{I=0}$  decay amplitudes. On the other hand the CPT violating contribution to  $\eta^{+-}$  is  $90^\circ$  out of phase with respect to the CPT conserving one[3], comparing the experimental phase of  $\eta^{+-}$  [17] with the superweak phase  $\phi_{SW} = \arctan\left(\frac{2\Delta m}{\Delta\Gamma}\right)$  one gets

$$\left| \frac{\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S}{2} + \frac{\Re(B_0)}{\Re(A_0)} \right| = (0.9 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-4} \quad (46)$$

Eqs. (45) and (46) show as it is possible to obtain constraints on CPT violating parameters comparing the amplitudes of different weak decays. A very detailed analysis of the constraints that can be obtained in this way is done in [19].

## 8 Direct tests of T and CPT symmetries

The dilepton events allow direct test of T and CPT symmetries[2, 3]. Long time ago Kabir[20] has shown that T violation implies different probabilities for  $K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$  and  $\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0$  transitions, while CPT requires equal probabilities for  $K^0 \rightarrow K^0$  and  $\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$  transitions. Then a T violating asymmetry

$$A_T = \frac{P(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0) - P(K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0)}{P(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0) + P(K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0)} \quad (47)$$

and a CPT violating asymmetry

$$A_{CPT} = \frac{P(K^0 \rightarrow K^0) - P(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0)}{P(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0) + P(K^0 \rightarrow K^0)} \quad (48)$$

can be defined.

Both these tests can be done at a  $\phi$  factory, where the initial state is an antisymmetric  $K^0\bar{K}^0$  state, if the  $\Delta Q = \Delta S$  rule holds.<sup>2</sup>

If at a time  $t$  a neutral kaon decays into a positive lepton, the other neutral kaon is at the same time a  $\bar{K}^0$  and the sign of the lepton emitted in a subsequent semileptonic decay signals if the  $\bar{K}^0$  has changed or conserved its own flavor. Therefore at the  $\phi$  - factory the charge asymmetry in equal sign dilepton pairs is equal to  $A_T$

$$A_T = \frac{L^{++} - L^{--}}{L^{++} + L^{--}} = 2\Re(\epsilon_L + \epsilon_S) - 4\Re(y) = \delta_L + \delta_S \quad (49)$$

On the other hand time asymmetry in opposite sign dilepton pairs signals CPT violation; if  $L^{+-}$  ( $L^{-+}$ ) is the number of dilepton pairs where the positive lepton is emitted before (after) the negative one, then

$$A_{CPT} = \frac{L^{-+} - L^{+-}}{L^{+-} + L^{-+}} \simeq 2\Re(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S) \quad (50)$$

Furthermore, the study of time dependence of opposite sign dilepton events allows the determination of  $\Im(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)$ .

We can proceed as in section 2 :  $d_+$  and  $d_-$  are the decay paths for  $K \rightarrow l^+ + x$  or  $K \rightarrow l^- + x$  respectively, and  $L(d)$  is the number of opposite sign dilepton events with  $d_+ - d_- = d$ . The asymmetry between positive and negative values of  $d$  is

$$\begin{aligned} A^L(d) &= \frac{L(|d|) - L(-|d|)}{L(|d|) + L(-|d|)} \\ &= A_R^L(d) \times \Re(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S) + A_I^L(d) \times \Im(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S) \\ A_R^L(d) &= 2 \frac{\exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_L}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_S}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_L}\right) + \exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_S}\right) + 2 \exp\left(\frac{-\Gamma|d|}{\Gamma_S d_S}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m |d|}{\Gamma_S d_S}\right)} \\ A_I^L(d) &= 2 \frac{\exp\left(\frac{-\Gamma|d|}{\Gamma_S d_S}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m |d|}{\Gamma_S d_S}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_L}\right) + \exp\left(\frac{-|d|}{d_S}\right) + 2 \exp\left(\frac{-\Gamma|d|}{\Gamma_S d_S}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m |d|}{\Gamma_S d_S}\right)} \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

<sup>2</sup>The effect of the  $\Delta S = -\Delta Q$  transitions on CPT and T violating asymmetries will be discussed in appendix.

Even before discussing the sensitivity that can be reached at DAFNE, we investigate the effect of a C-even background on these T and CPT violating asymmetries; in fact, if the initial  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  state is C-even, the correlation of the flavor of the two neutral kaons at later times is lost.

Then without assuming CPT one has

$$\frac{K^0 \bar{K}^0 + \bar{K}^0 K^0}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{K_S K_S - K_L K_L + (\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)(K_L K_S + K_S K_L)}{\sqrt{2}}. \quad (52)$$

The charge asymmetry in equal sign dilepton pairs is essentially equal to  $2\delta_L$  (the main contribution to dilepton pairs comes from the  $K_L K_L$  component), therefore, if we call  $\alpha r$  the fraction of C-even dilepton pairs, where

$$r = \frac{1}{2} \frac{BR(K_L \rightarrow l + x) S_L}{BR(K_S \rightarrow l + x)} \simeq 10^2 \quad (53)$$

The T violating asymmetry becomes

$$A_T^{exp} = \frac{L^{++} - L^{--}}{L^{++} + L^{--}} = \frac{A_T + \alpha r 2\delta_L}{1 + \alpha r} = 2\delta_L - \frac{\delta_L - \delta_S}{1 + \alpha r} \quad (54)$$

As far as the CPT violating asymmetry is concerned, the interference of the two terms in eq.(52) gives rise to a time asymmetry in opposite sign dilepton pairs which vanishes if  $\epsilon_L = \epsilon_S$  and is moreover suppressed by the factor  $\Gamma_L/\Gamma_S$ . Therefore, at leading order in  $\Gamma_L/\Gamma_S$

$$A_{CPT}^{exp} = \frac{L^{-+} - L^{+-}}{L^{-+} + L^{+-}} = \frac{A_{CPT}}{1 + \alpha r}. \quad (55)$$

The equations (54) and (55) show that the C-even background cannot simulate CPT violation, but can only induce a relative uncertainty less than  $10^{-3}$  on the value of asymmetries.

The number of equal sign electron pairs and that of opposite sign expected at DAFNE is  $N_\phi \times .9 \times 10^{-5} \simeq 2.3 \times 10^5$ , therefore the T and CPT violating asymmetries can be measured with a statistical error of about  $2.1 \times 10^{-3}$ .

From equations (53) and (54) we have two independent determinations of the CPT violating parameter  $\Re(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)$ ; the combined error is  $\sigma_{\Re(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)} \simeq 7.5 \times 10^{-4}$  somewhat larger than that quoted in eq.(44).

The determination of  $\Im(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)$  and  $\Re(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)$  from time asymmetry of opposite sign dilepton events is quite similar to that of the real and imaginary part of  $\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}$  from  $\pi^0 \pi^0, \pi^+ \pi^-$  events; then we estimate :

$$\sigma_{\Im(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)} \simeq \sigma_{\Im\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right)} \frac{\sigma_{\Re(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S)}}{\sigma_{\Re\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right)}} \simeq 1.2 \times 10^{-2} \quad (56)$$

In conclusion the asymmetries in leptonic events allow the determination of  $\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S$ ; inserting these values in eqs.(35,45,46), also limits on CPT violating amplitudes  $y$  and  $B_0$  can be obtained and almost each CPT violating parameter can be constrained up to an accuracy of  $10^{-3} \div 10^{-4}$ .

## 9 Conclusions

The  $\phi$  factory is a very powerful tool to study CP violation and for testing CPT in the neutral kaons system.

The direct CP violation in  $K^0$  decay amplitudes can be measured with higher sensitivity for both  $\Re(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$  and  $\Im(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon})$ . Even if the observation of CP violating  $K_S \rightarrow 3\pi^0$  decay is at the limit of DAFNE capabilities, the detection of charge asymmetry in semileptonic  $K_S$  decay would be the first observation of CP violation in  $K_S$  system.

For the first time T and CPT violating asymmetries could be measured and their values, together with those of CP violating parameters in  $K_L$  and  $K_S$  decays, allow to disentangle the different symmetry breaking effects.

## 10 Appendix

We discuss now the effect of  $\Delta S = -\Delta Q$  transitions semileptonic decays of neutral kaons.

We define:

$$\mathbf{x} = \frac{A(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow l^+ + \mathbf{x})}{A(K^0 \rightarrow l^+ + \mathbf{x})} \quad \bar{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{A(K^0 \rightarrow l^- + \mathbf{x})}{A(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow l^- + \mathbf{x})} \quad (57)$$

The difference  $(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}})$  is CPT violating, while the imaginary part of  $\mathbf{x}$ , in phase convention where  $\Im(A_0) = 0$  is CP violating.

The present experimental limits on  $\mathbf{x}$  [17] are of about  $2 \times 10^{-2}$  for both real and imaginary part; the theoretical predictions [21] give  $\mathbf{x}$  essentially real, and  $|\mathbf{x}|$  of the order  $10^{-6} \div 10^{-7}$ .

The introduction of the  $\Delta S = -\Delta Q$  transitions modifies the semileptonic decay rates of  $K_S$  and  $K_L$  in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(K_S \rightarrow l^+ + \mathbf{x}) + \Gamma(K_S \rightarrow l^- + \mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \Gamma(K^0 \rightarrow l^+ + \mathbf{x}) + \Gamma(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow l^- + \mathbf{x}) \right\} [1 + \Re(\mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{x}})] \\ \Gamma(K_L \rightarrow l^+ + \mathbf{x}) + \Gamma(K_L \rightarrow l^- + \mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \Gamma(K^0 \rightarrow l^+ + \mathbf{x}) + \Gamma(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow l^- + \mathbf{x}) \right\} [1 - \Re(\mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{x}})] \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

It follows that

$$2\Re(\mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{\Gamma_S BR(K_S \rightarrow l + \mathbf{x})}{\Gamma_L BR(K_L \rightarrow l + \mathbf{x})} - 1 \quad (59)$$

With the project luminosity of DAFNE the error on  $\Re(\mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{x}})$  is  $\sigma_{\Re(\mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{x}})} \simeq 4.1 \times 10^{-3}$ , an order of magnitude less than the present bound. It should be noted that the main contribution to  $\sigma_{\Re(\mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{x}})}$  comes from the present experimental error on  $K_S$  and  $K_L$  lifetimes (if  $\sigma_{\frac{\Gamma_S}{\Gamma_L}} = 0$  one would get  $\sigma_{\Re(\mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{x}})} \simeq 4 \times 10^{-4}$ ).

The charge asymmetries of  $K_L$  and  $K_S$  are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_L &= 2\Re(\epsilon_L) - 2\Re(y) - \Re(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*) + 2\Re(\epsilon_L(\mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*)) \\ \delta_S &= 2\Re(\epsilon_S) - 2\Re(y) + \Re(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*) - 2\Re(\epsilon_S(\mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*)) \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$



If CPT holds the charge asymmetries are modified only by the higher order term  $4\Re(\epsilon)\Re(x)$ , and  $\Delta S = -\Delta Q$  transitions can simulate CPT violation only to this order. With the present experimental limit on  $x$ , the CPT conserving part of the difference  $\delta_L - \delta_S$  is bounded by:

$$\frac{|\delta_L - \delta_S|}{|\delta_L + \delta_S|} < 4 \times 10^{-2} \quad (61)$$

and this is much smaller than the sensitivity on this parameter achievable at DAFNE.

The expressions of the asymmetries of dilepton pairs are, if the initial state is C-odd:

$$A_T = \frac{L^{++} - L^{--}}{L^{++} + L^{--}} = 2\Re(\epsilon_L + \epsilon_S) - 4\Re(y) = \delta_L + \delta_S \quad (62)$$

and

$$A_{CPT} = \frac{L^{-+} - L^{+-}}{L^{-+} + L^{+-}} = 2\Re(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S) - 2\Re(x - \bar{x}^*) + \quad (63)$$

$$2\Re[(\epsilon_L + \epsilon_S)(x + \bar{x}^*)] + \frac{4}{S_L} [\Im(\epsilon_L - \epsilon_S) - \Im(x + \bar{x})] \frac{\Delta m \Gamma_L}{\Gamma^2 + \Delta m^2}$$

Eq.(62) shows that charge asymmetry in equal sign dilepton pairs is still a measure of T violation in  $\bar{K}^0 K^0$  system. On the contrary, the effects of CPT violation and  $\Delta S = -\Delta Q$  transitions cannot be disentangled in time asymmetry in opposite sign dilepton pairs, or more generally in their time evolution. Therefore to test CPT the value of  $x$  must be supplied by other experiment. Conversely the knowledge of the CPT violating parameters allows the determination of  $x$  from this asymmetry.

If CPT holds the time asymmetry can be written as :

$$\bar{A}_{CPT} = 8\Re(\epsilon)\Re(x) - 8\frac{\Im(x)}{S_L} \frac{\Delta m \Gamma_L}{\Gamma^2 + \Delta m^2} \quad (64)$$

and inserting the experimental limits on  $x$  :

$$|\bar{A}_{CPT}| < 1.1 \times 10^{-3} \quad (65)$$

A value of  $A_{CPT}$  larger than  $10^{-3}$  signals an actual CPT violation or in kaon mass matrix or in  $\Delta S = -\Delta Q$  transition amplitudes.

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