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ABSTRACT.

A review of results from Adone is given. Topics covered are:

a) limits on $e^+ \rightarrow e \gamma$;
b) R values;
c) multiplicities and G parities;
d) partial cross sections.
1. - INTRODUCTION.

This talk is a report on the following topics, concerning the Adone e⁺e⁻ storage ring¹:

a) new limits on \( e^\pm \rightarrow e\gamma \);
b) R values;
c) multiplicities, G-parities;
d) partial cross sections.

Data taking is stopped since June 1978. At 1.5 GeV the machine has an average luminosity of \( \sim 1 \, \text{nb}^{-1}/\text{day} \), an energy spread of 0.8 MeV (FWHM) and a source length of \( \sim 20 \, \text{cm} \) (FWHM).

2. - EXPERIMENTAL APPARATUS.

Three of the four interaction regions of Adone are equipped with experimental set-ups; in the fourth a small angle (3°-6°) Bhabha scattering detector, which serves as a high rate luminosity monitor, is installed. The luminosity used by the experiments is directly measured by counting wide angle electron pairs detected in each apparatus.

The three set-ups are somewhat complementary since MEA has magnetic analysis, \( \gamma\gamma2 \) is oriented toward \( \gamma \) detection and BB uses calorimetric information from large liquid scintillators. They are described in detail in refs. (2, 3, 4) respectively; here I will only summarize their main features.

The \( \gamma\gamma2 \) set-up (see Fig. 1) consists of two large semicylindrical telescopes placed above and below the interaction region. These telescopes (shower detector) are a sandwich of scintillation counters, optical spark chambers and lead converters (total thickness 5.5 R.L.). The shower detector covers a solid angle, for a point-like source, of \( 0.41 \times 4\pi \, \text{sr} \) for triggering and \( 0.66 \times 4\pi \, \text{sr} \) for detecting tracks and photons.

Outside the shower detector heavy plate optical spark chambers are used to observe the ranges and nuclear interactions of hadrons. A pair of circular side-telescopes containing spark chambers with magnetostrictive read-out, lead absorbers and scintillation counters, complete the detection system (\( 0.15 \times 4\pi \, \text{sr} \)). The trigger logic requires a coincidence between the upper and lower telescopes of the shower detector. For only a charged par
particle in a telescope this corresponds to a lower energy limit of $T_{\pi} \approx 120$ MeV, $T_k \approx 190$ MeV. If photons enter the telescope firing the trigger counters these limits could be as low as $T_{\pi} \approx 35$ MeV, $T_k \approx 60$ MeV.

In February 1978 the $\gamma\gamma$ apparatus was modified. A resistive tubes core\cite{8}, around the interaction region, was added increasing the total solid angle to $\Delta \Omega = 0.9 \times 4\pi$ (for tracking) and lowering the minimum energy to $T_{\pi} \approx 20$ MeV (see Fig. 2). The data collected with this apparatus are well in agreement with the previous data so they are

**FIG. 1 - $\gamma\gamma$ experimental set-up.** a) Front view from the center of Adone; b) vertical section in the plane normal to the beams (For the sake of clearness, the side telescopes are not shown in the front view of the apparatus).

**FIG. 2 - Vertical section of the modified $\gamma\gamma$ apparatus.**
everywhere averaged.

The MEA detector (see Fig. 3) uses a solenoid, with a 2 meter diameter length placed transversely to the beams. Two compensating magnets are located inside the main coil.

The magnetic fields used at these energies were 2 and 2.5 Kgauss. Track curvature is measured by the thin optical chambers $C_1$, $C'_1$ and by the wide gap cylindrical optical spark chambers $C_2$, $C'_2$. The solid angle for magnetic analysis is $0.35 \times 4\pi$ sr for point-like source. The momentum resolution is $\Delta p/p = \pm 8\%$ at $p = 0.8-1$ GeV. Outside the coil heavy plate optical spark chambers are placed to identify electromagnetic showers and to observe nuclear interactions and ranges of pions and kaons.

The trigger requires two charged particles, respectively in the upper and lower part of the apparatus, to penetrate out to $S_4$ and $S'_4$ ($T_\pi \approx 130$ MeV, $T_k \approx 190$ MeV). From spring 1977 a time-of-flight systems allows a $\pi/k$ discrimination for $400 \leq p \leq 600$ MeV/c.

The $B\bar{B}$ set-up (see Fig. 4), originally intended to detect $p\bar{p}$ pairs, has cylindrical symmetry with respect to the beam axis. The solid angle covered is $0.7 \times 4\pi$ sr. It is mainly composed of 4 concentric hodoscopes of scintillation counters. Each hodoscope has 16 elements: plastic scintillator tanks (31 gr/cm$^2$; 0.8 R.L. thick) for HOD3. Two cylindrical magnets tostrictive spark chambers surrounding the interaction region are used to measure the direction of the charged particles.
To identify electrons and photons the detector is completed by a system of four layers of flash tubes (parallel to the beams) with a lead converter (2.5 R.L.). A track is defined by a coincidence of HOD 1, 2 and 3 in a sector. For pions this corresponds to a minimum energy $T \simeq 60$ MeV. The trigger can require two or three tracks in different sectors. To reduce the background, in the off-line analysis at least one of HOD 4 counters is requested ($T_\pi \simeq 200$ MeV).

3. - NEW LIMITS ON $e^* \rightarrow e\gamma$.

A new measurement of $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$ has been performed using set up $\gamma\gamma 2$ together with tagging counters for detecting small-angle electrons. The results are in agreement with QED predictions as it is shown in the mass spectra of Fig. 5.

Considering the existence of a heavy electron $e^*$ a new upper limit on the coupling constant $\lambda^2$ versus $M(e^*)$ is achieved (see Fig. 6), starting from the standard hamiltonian

$$H_i = \frac{e^2}{M(e^*)} \psi^e_\pm \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi^e F^{\mu\nu} + h.e.$$
FIG. 5 - Effective mass distribution of the wide-angle ($e^\pm$) systems: a) for CS events, with the $e^\pm$ in the tagging counters; b) for WAB events, with all the $e^\pm$, $e^-$, in the wide-angle apparatus. The solid lines are absolute QED predictions.

FIG. 6 - Upper limit (95% confidence level) on $k^2$ versus the $e^*$ mass: a) Ref. (5); b) Ref. (6); c) Due to a trivial error, the results reported in Fig. 4 of Ref. (7) are not correct. Here we report the corrected values; d) Present results.

4. - R VALUES.

In order to calculate $R$, multiplicities and partial cross sections, using the standard likelihood method, the following assumptions were made:

a) All particles in the final states are $\pi$;

b) Invariant phase space (IPS) momenta distributions;

c) Isospin relation $\langle n^+ \rangle = 2 \langle n^0 \rangle$ for $n^+ + n^0 = 5$;

d) Maximum multiplicity $n^+ + n^0 = 6$ up to 2 GeV and $n^+ + n^0 = 8$ up to 3.1 GeV.

The first hypothesis is reasonable especially at lower energies. In a more quantitative way the MEA group has measured the percentage of kaons respect to the total prongs in a given momentum window (see Fig. 7). This K fraction is lower than 20%.

Using a special category of events the $\gamma\gamma$ group has also estimated
FIG. 7 - Ratio between the numbers of K and prongs whose momentum falls in the range $400 \leq p \leq 600$ MeV/c.

an upper limit at 1.5 GeV for $K K^*$ production of 8 nb (95% c.l.), that is $\sim 10\%$ of the total cross section.

The second hypothesis is supported by the invariant distribution reported in Fig. 8 well fitted by a thermodynamical spectrum with $K T = 145 \pm 3$ MeV. This result in fact can be independently obtained summing the I.P.S. momentum distributions for each channel weighted with the partial cross sections we will see after.

FIG. 8 - Invariant distribution for $\pi$ and $K$ as function of the total energy of the particle.
The values of R for at least $3\pi$ in the final states are reported in Fig. 9 together with a large panorama of already published values\(^{(9-14)}\). The values of VEPP2M are calculated summing the two most important cross sections that are $\sigma(2\pi^-, 2\pi^0)$ and $\sigma(4\pi^+)$.

![Graph showing R versus total energy.](image)

**FIG. 9 - R versus total energy.**

The quoted errors are statistical only while the systematical ones on $\gamma\gamma$ data are $\sim 20\%$ (due to luminosity, efficiencies, K presence).

The energy behaviour of the ratio R is now rather well established above 1 GeV.

In the low energy region after the $\phi$, there is a sharp rise whose pattern is similar to the charm threshold. In this behaviour the more important contribution comes from $\sigma(4\pi^+)$ as we will see later.

More definite predictions come from local duality and EVDM. They essentially predict, around the asymptotic value, a series of oscillations due to the vector meson recurrences. Using the mass formula $\Delta m_i^2 \simeq 1$ GeV\(^2\) and scaling $\Gamma_{ee}$ and $\Gamma_{\text{tot}}$ with the masses the expected values of R do not fit the data concluding that, as we will see also later, some of these recurrences do not exist or have $\Gamma_{ee}$ much smaller. On the contrary the asymptotic value of R, calculated by formula $R = 16\pi^2 / \Delta m_0^2 \Gamma_Q^2 \simeq$
\( \approx 2.5^{15} \) fits very well the value of \( R \) above 2.4 GeV.

Also QCD and asymptotic freedom predict a value \( R \approx 2.3 \) between 2.4 GeV and 3.6 GeV, that rather well fits the data.

5. - MULTIPLEITIES, G-PARITIES.

Mean charged multiplicity is reported in Fig. 10. As a reference the extrapolation of a logarithmic fit to the high energy data\(^{13}\) is reported.

In the same figure the mean \( \langle \pi^0 \rangle \) multiplicity is also reported, together with the extrapolation on what is expected from the missing energy in the same high energy data\(^{13}\), assuming \( \langle E_{\pi^\pm} \rangle = \langle E_{\pi^0} \rangle \).

In Fig. 11 the ratio between the mean charged and \( \pi^0 \) multiplicities is considered: this ratio must to be compared with the value 2, which is expected on statistical ground if only pions would be present.

At high energies an excess of neutral energy is present, usually interpreted as \( \eta \) production, whose threshold is around 2 GeV. At low energies an excess of charged particles emerges. This is expected by the isovector resonance \( \phi^\prime (1,6) \) dominance (a process like \( \phi^\prime (1,6) \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi \) (S-wave) contributes with a ratio 5).

Before considering the various reactions which contribute to the total cross section, let us divide them in two categories, according to the G parities. The total cross section for even, \( G^+ \), and odd, \( G^- \), number
of pions are reported in Fig. 12 (n ≥ 3π) and the ratio G^-/G^+ is reported in Fig. 13.

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**FIG. 12** - G^+ (sum of σ(nπ) with n even) and G^- (sum of σ(nπ) with n odd) versus total energy.
SU$_3$ predicts:

$$\frac{|A(e^+e^-\rightarrow \omega\text{-like}\rightarrow G^-)|^2}{|A(e^+e^-\rightarrow \varphi\text{-like}\rightarrow G^+)|^2} = \frac{|Q_u + Q_d|^2}{|Q_u - Q_d|^2} = \frac{1}{9} = \frac{\Gamma_e(\omega\text{-like})}{\Gamma_e(\varphi\text{-like})}$$

which is a prediction on the ratio of the integrated cross sections.

Basing on these considerations we can deduce that also the ratio $G^-/G^+$ between the cross sections as function of energy is expected to lie around the value $1/9$, as the measured values roughly show.

6. - PARTIAL CROSS SECTIONS,

6.1. - $\sigma(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-)$.

The better established channel is the 4 charged pions. The $\gamma\gamma$ and MEA values are reported in Fig. 14 together with those already published (9-13, 17). The general behaviour looks like as a resonant one. The dotted line represents a best fit over all the values with only one relativistic Breit-Wigner with an energy dependent width for threshold effect (for sake of simplicity assumed as for the $\varphi$) according to the following formulas:
\[
\sigma = \frac{12\pi}{s} \left( \frac{M_V^2}{(s-M_V^2)^2 + M_V^2 \Gamma_V^2} \right) \frac{\Gamma_V \Gamma_{ee}}{\sqrt{s}}, \quad \Gamma_V = K \frac{(s-M_V^2)^{3/2}}{\sqrt{s}}.
\]

The result of the fit gives the following parameters:

\[ M_V = 1670 \pm 25 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_{\text{FWHM}} = 525 \pm 50 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_{ee} = 3.1 \pm 0.2 \text{ keV}. \]

All these parameters are in a rather good agreement with those known of the \( \phi(1,6) \).

Dynamical correlations in the final state are studied by the MEA group. In Fig. 15 the invariant mass spectrum of the 2 prongs neutral system are reported for all the events. Only at the \( \phi \) mass a significant peak is present.

Selecting the 4 prongs events the corresponding Dalitz plot is shown in Fig. 16. The result largely favours a \( \phi \pi \pi \) intermediate state.

6. 2. \( \sigma(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0) \).

The second large cross section is that with 2 charged plus 2 neutral pions in the final state. The \( \gamma\gamma \) and MEA values are reported in Fig. 17 together with those already published. This cross section shows a rather different behaviour respect to the \( \sigma(4\pi^\pm) \).
FIG. 15 - Invariant mass distribution for 2 prong neutral system. Each track is assumed to be a $\pi$ (a), or alternatively a $K$ or a $\pi$ (b).

FIG. 16 - Scatter plot of the invariant mass of oppositely charged pion pairs, $M(\pi_1\pi_2)$ vs the invariant mass of the remaining pair $M(\pi_3\pi_4)$. 
Two contributions must be taken into account. First, the $\varphi$-tail going into $\omega \pi$, computed by Renard\textsuperscript{16} starting from the $\omega \rightarrow \varphi \pi$ decay. Second, the $\varphi''(1.6)$ decay via $\varphi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$ whose cross section can be taken as $\frac{1}{2} \sigma(4\pi^2)$, if the two $\pi\pi$ are in S-wave. A simple sum of these two contributions is reported (dotted line) also in Fig. 17. The measured values are everywhere over this curve so other contributions must be present.

In the low energy region only a small room (5-10 nb) is possible. On the contrary around 1.25 GeV the first $\varphi$-recurrence is expected. Local duality, that works rather well on $J/\psi$ and $\Upsilon$ families, gives\textsuperscript{18}:

$$
\left( \frac{m \Gamma_{ee}}{\Delta m^2} \right)_{\varphi''} = \left( \frac{m \Gamma_{ee}}{\Delta m^2} \right)_{\varphi'} = \left( \frac{m \Gamma_{ee}}{\Delta m^2} \right)_{\varphi''}.
$$

Applying this formula to the $\varphi''(1.6)$, we obtain, within a factor 2, the values quoted above.

For the $\varphi'(1.25)$ we obtain, using $\Delta m^2 \simeq 1$ GeV$^2$ and $\Gamma \simeq 200$ MeV, a peak cross section of about $\sim 200$ nb, which is an order of magnitude bigger than the available cross section.
6.3. - $\sigma(4\pi^\pm, 1\pi^0)$ and $\sigma(4\pi^\pm, 2\pi^0)$.

The separation between these two channels is a very critical one: it depends essentially on how well the photon detection efficiency is known. For the $\gamma\gamma$ apparatus this efficiency has been checked on the observed photons taking so in account also the optical spark chamber efficiency for multisparks. However the sum of these two cross sections has not been affected by the photon efficiency and is reported in Fig. 18. The value centered at 1.82 GeV shows the effect of the already published resonance\textsuperscript{19}.

![Graph showing $\sigma(4\pi^\pm, 1\pi^0)$ and $\sigma(4\pi^\pm, 2\pi^0)$ vs. $W(\text{GeV})$]

**FIG. 18**

In Fig. 19 the $\sigma(4\pi^\pm, 1\pi^0)$ is reported. Over all the range explored this cross section is rather small. This smallness is in agreement with the SU\textsubscript{3} prediction for the ratio $G^-/G^+$ because the $\sigma(4\pi^\pm, 1\pi^0)$ gives the bigger contribution to the quantity $G^-$. The $\sigma(4\pi^\pm, 2\pi^0)$, reported in Fig. 20, shows everywhere values rather high.

6.4. - $\sigma(\pi^+\pi^+\pi^0)$.

At last in Fig. 21 the $\sigma(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0)$ is reported. This cross section has values rather near to zero.

At 1.66 GeV, the energy of the resonance found at DCl in this channel, we have also, in spite of the poor statistics collected in this region, a poor indication of this resonance using two different category of events.
In conclusion the panorama of $e^+e^-$ annihilation under 3 GeV starts to become clearer but, nevertheless, a lot of problems are still open. First of all we want remember the real existence of all the members of the vector mesons families.

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