

CERN Experiment	NA62
Project Title	Study of rare kaon decays at the CERN SPS

Main Objective:

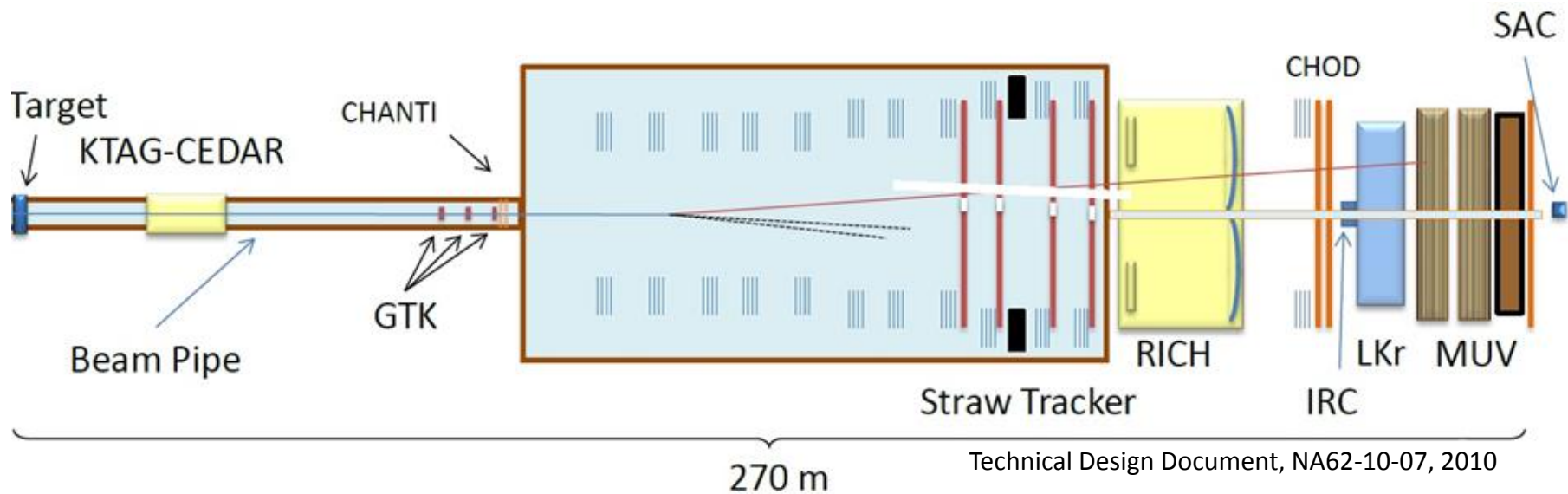
$$\text{BR}(\text{K}^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})_{\text{exp}}$$

10 % precision measurement \rightarrow **$\mathcal{O}(100)_{\text{SM}}$ events in 2 years of data taking**

1st NA62 Physics Test RUN: Oct.-Dec. 2014

The NA62 Experimental setup

$$\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})_{\text{SM}} = (7.8 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-11}$$



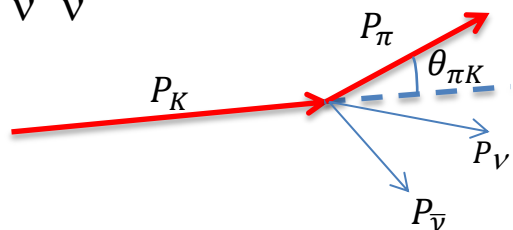
- ↓ SPS extracted beam: 1.1×10^{12} protons (400 GeV/c)
- ↓ Be target → 75 GeV/c secondary beam (1% res.)
- ↓ **750 MHz** hadron beam ($p, \pi^+, \sim 6\% K^+$)
- $45 \times 10^6 K^+$

10% acceptance → $4.5 \times 10^6 K^+$ decaying in-flight

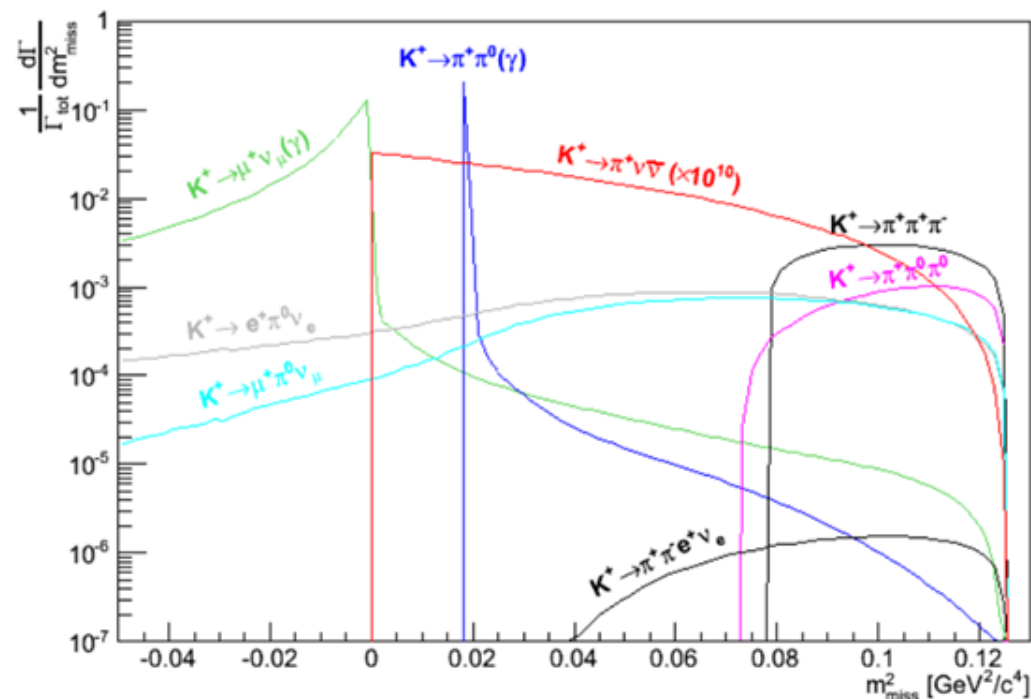
- ✓ accurate kinematic reconstruction
- ✓ precise timing
- ✓ efficiency of the vetoes
- ✓ excellent particle identification

Signal and Background

Signal: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$



Kinematic variable $m_{miss}^2 := (P_K - P_\pi)^2$



Background:

1) Other K^+ decay modes:

K^+ main decays	BR
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$	0.6355
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$	0.2066
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	0.0559
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \nu$	0.0507
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \nu$	0.0335
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 \pi^0$	0.0176
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- e^+ \nu$	4.257×10^{-5}

2) Accidental single track matching with a K-like one

Background rejection:

Kinematic reconstruction (m_{miss}^2) combined with PID and VETO

IFIN-HH expected contribution

- $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$ rejection \rightarrow Read-Out for the “new” Hadronic Sampling Calorimeter (HASC)
- TDAQ system - high level trigger (L1/L2) software development

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Hadronic Sampling Calorimeter

9 Modules salvaged from an
NA61 prototype
(NIM A598(2009)268–269)

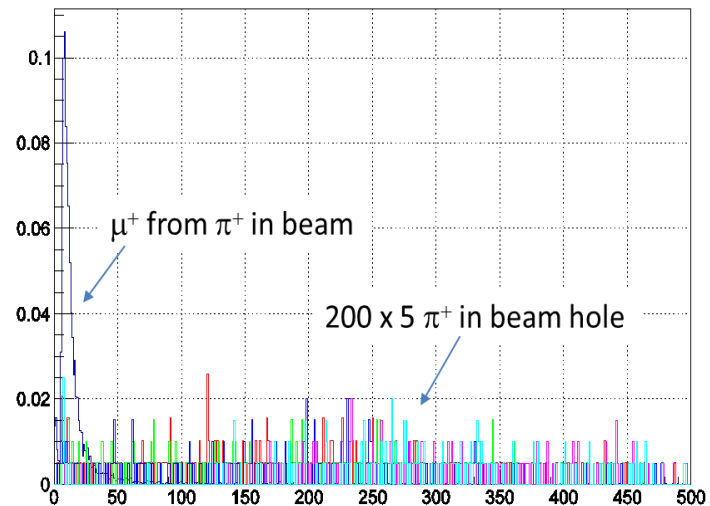


Module specs.

- 10x10x160 cm³ (WxHxL);
- 120 tiles (lead/scintillator), sampling 4:1;
- WLS fibers embedded in the scintillator
- 10 sections with 6 fibers/section;
- 10 optical read-out connectors
(designed for 3x3 mm² MAPD).

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$

- π^- undergoes hadronic interaction in the 1st STRAW;
- π^+ (~40 GeV/c) through the beam hole, emerging at $z > 253$ m;

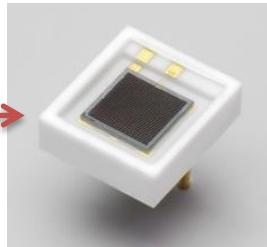
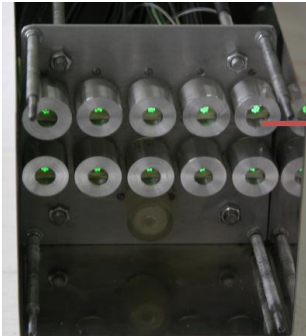


M.C. E_{dep} range:
(/ channel)

5 (mips) - 500 MeV

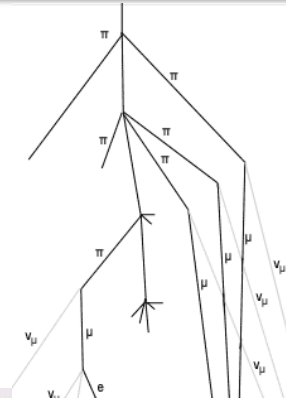
After multiplicity & kinematical cuts there are still **10 ± 4 events/year** surviving (S. Balev – NA62 Monte Carlo)

HASC Read-Out evaluation



Hamamatsu 3x3 mm² MPPC (model:S12572-015C)

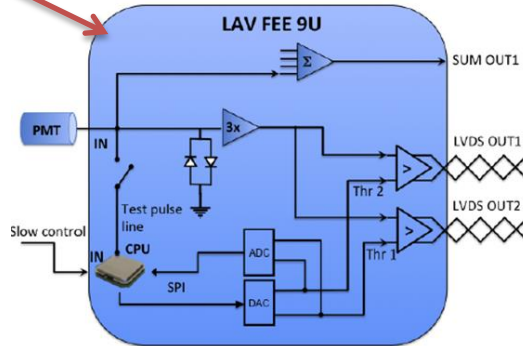
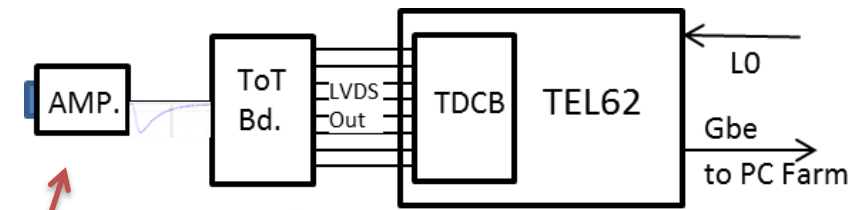
- 40.000 pixels;
- 3x10⁵ @ 69V (typ.)



Cosmic rays test

- Tune the amplifier gain in the range (10 mV – 1000 mV) corresponding to the energy deposition range of 5 MeV – 500 MeV, expected in one HASC section (channel);
- Evaluate the possibility to use the same ToT technique used by the NA62 LAV sub-detector;
- Test the possibility to use an amplifier board built in IFIN-HH with a price/ch. significantly lower than the alternative solution developed in INFN-LNF.

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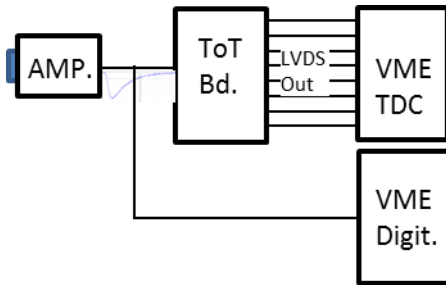


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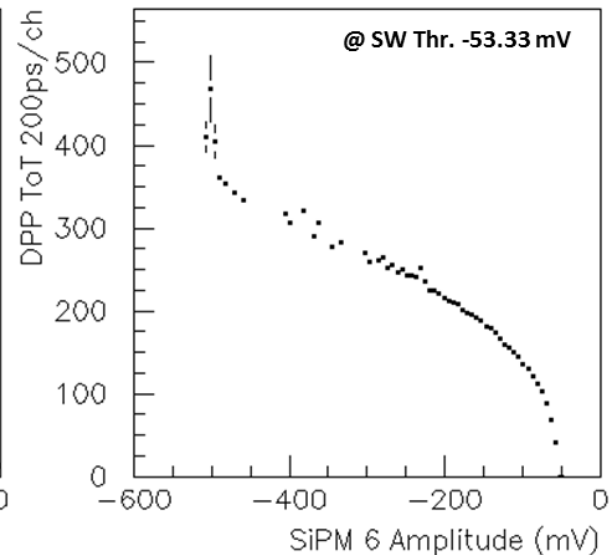
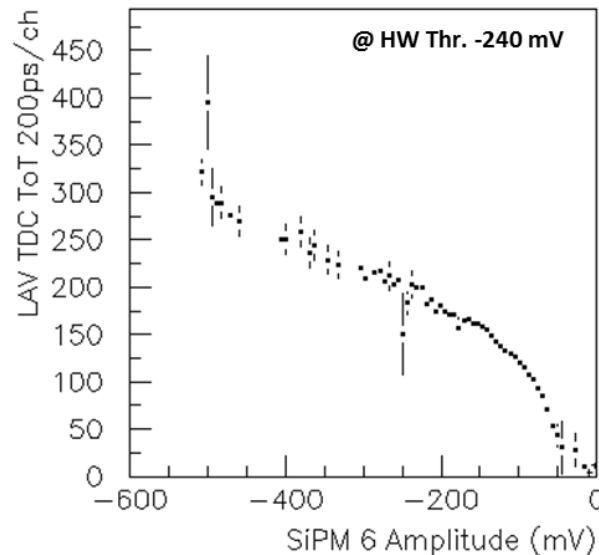
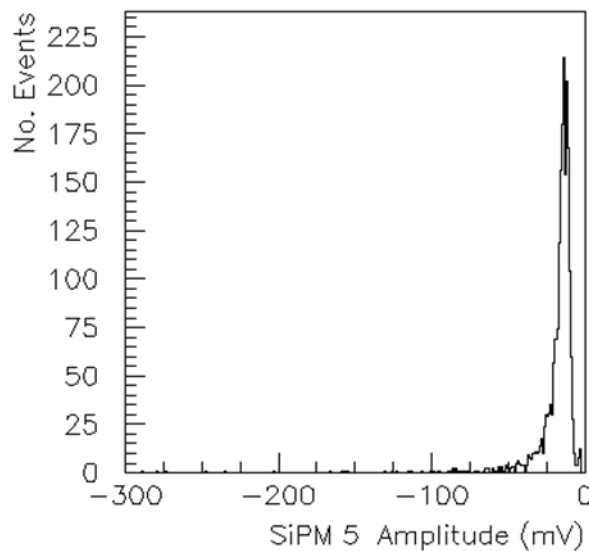
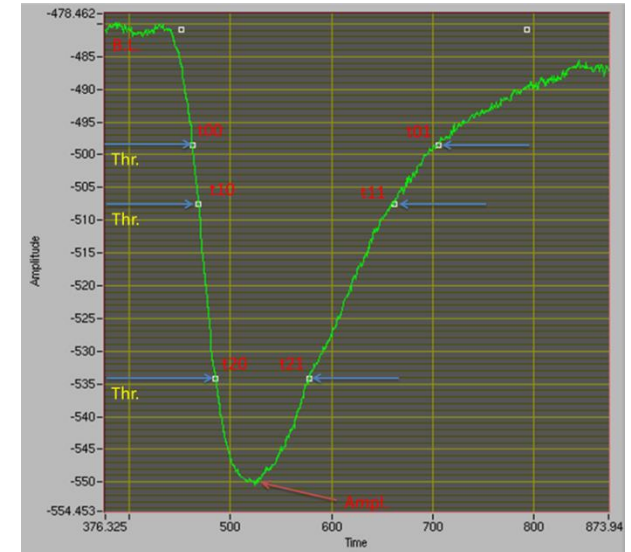
HASC Read-Out evaluation (cont.)



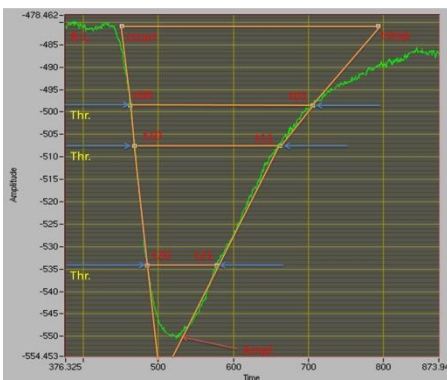
2 data files/run :

- TDC data;
- Digitizer waveforms – for off-line Digital Pulse Processing (DPP);

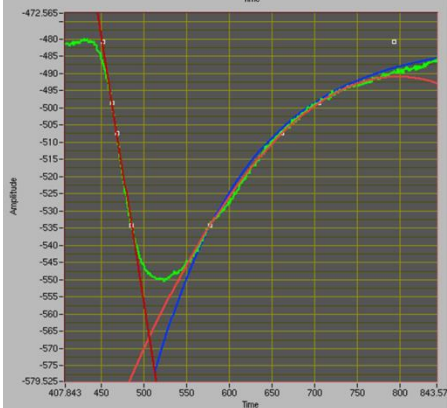
Software development of custom DPP code: Pk. detect, ToT, Timing, Charge Integration



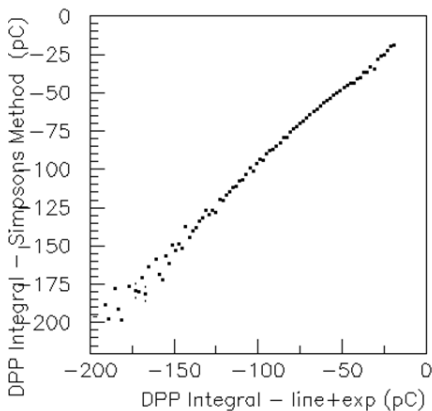
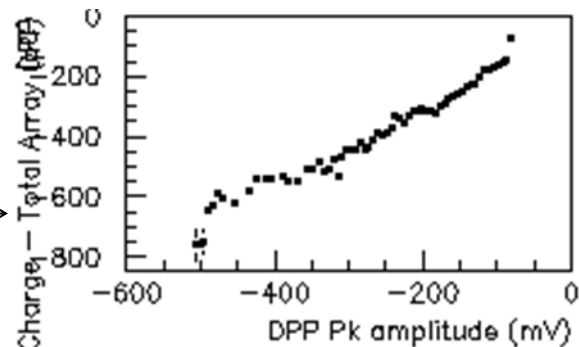
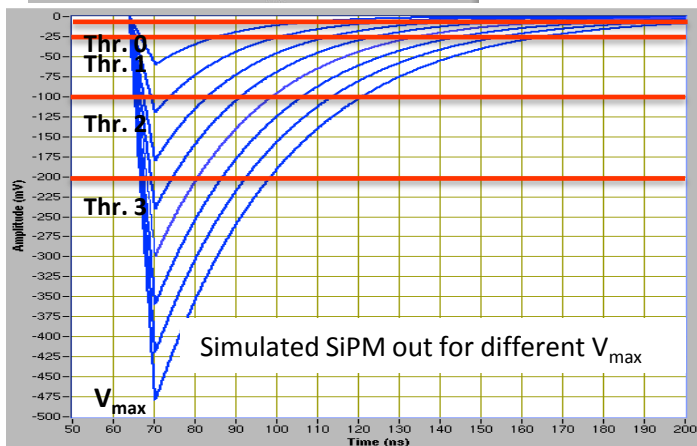
DPP of SiPM signal



regular
arrays



analytical signal
"envelope"



SiPM signal model



Generate "signal" database



ToT -> Charge lookup table

Signal integral software development

Three methods based on 3 (4) ToT thresholds:

- 1) Signal divided into regular geometrical arrays;
- 2) Analytical signal "envelope";

HASC readout evaluation with cosmic rays, NA62

Collaboration Meeting, Ferrara, September 1 -5, 2014

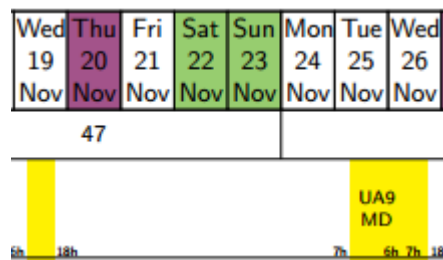
<http://indico.cern.ch/event/322643/contribution/5/material/slides/0.pdf>

- 3) ToT -> Charge lookup table (under study)

Each method can be implemented into vhdl code (TEL62 FPGA) => **HASC integration into the NA62 TDAQ system**

Planning 2014 / 2015

2014 SPS schedule



Beam test during NA62 Pilot Run (18 November – 5 December 2014)

Install one HASC module near the beam pipe at $z \approx 253\text{-}254\text{ m}$

- Test all the IFIN amplifiers (Gain = 2.7, 4.2 and 7.7) and record analog outputs with a 12bit@5GS/s digitizer;
- Rate measurement;

2015

Full HASC assembly & commissioning

- min. 90 RO channels: amplifier boards, 360 ToT channels, TEL62, crates;
- implementation of one of the integral methods in the TEL62 FPGA;
- L1/L2 algorithms for the HASC charge integral and timing;
- staged installation and commissioning at CERN.

High level trigger software development for other NA62 sub-detectors;
Shifts during the NA62 physics runs.

