Kaon Physics



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Indirect searches for new physics

Search of remnants of new physics: In decays induced by higher-dimensional operators new particles

NP competes with SM $\frac{M_{SM}}{M_{NP}}$ need high statistics

If SM contribution is suppressed: NP sensitivity enhanced

Interesting Topics (incomplete)



clean and suppressed by $V_{ts}^* V_{td}$

• Rare Kaon Decays

SM Prediction MSSM & new light particles

• **CP** violation in ε_K

new NNLO results

Leptonic and Semileptonic

$$K(\pi) \rightarrow l \bar{\nu}_l \quad \& \quad K \rightarrow \pi \, l \bar{\nu}_l$$

Observables

$$\begin{split} \Gamma(K_{13}) & |V_{us}|f_{+}(0) = 0.21661(47) \\ \frac{\Gamma(K_{12})}{\Gamma(\pi_{12})} & \frac{|V_{us}|f_{K}}{|V_{ud}|f_{\pi}} = 0.27599(59) \end{split}$$
 [FlavianetKaon `08]

and nuclear β decay $V_{ud} = 0.97425(22)$

[Hardy, Towner `08]

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\rm CKM} &= |V_{\rm ud}^2| + |V_{\rm us}^2| + |V_{\rm ub}^2| - 1\\ &= (0.1 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

CKM Unitarity (Model Independent)

[Cirigliano et. al. `09]

$$\Lambda_{\rm NP} \gg M_{W}$$
 Neglect $\Im\left(\frac{M_{W}}{\Lambda_{\rm NP}}\right)$ corrections

Use SU(2) \otimes U(1) invariant operators [Buchmüller-Wyler `06] (plus U(3)⁵ flavour symmetry) $O_{lq}^{(3)} = (\bar{l}\gamma^{\mu}\sigma^{a}l)(\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\sigma^{a}q)$ $O_{ll}^{(3)} = \frac{1}{2}(\bar{l}\gamma^{\mu}\sigma^{a}l)(\bar{l}\gamma_{\mu}\sigma^{a}l)$

Constrained from EW precision data [Han, Skiba `05]

Redefine
$$\begin{array}{l} G_F(\mu \to e \, \nu \, \bar{\nu}) \to G_F(1 - 2 \bar{\alpha}_{ll}^{(3)}) \longrightarrow G_F^{\mu} \\ G_F(d \to u \, e \, \bar{\nu}) \to G_F(1 - 2 \bar{\alpha}_{lq}^{(3)}) \longrightarrow G_F^{SL} \end{array}$$

CKM Unitarity (Model Independent)

$$V_{ud_{i}}^{PDG} = \frac{G_{F}^{SL}}{G_{F}^{\mu}} V_{ud_{i}} \longrightarrow \Delta_{CKM} = 4 \left(\overline{\alpha}_{ll}^{(3)} - \overline{\alpha}_{lq}^{(3)} + \dots \right)$$



Leptonic and Semileptonic

 $K(\pi) \to l \bar{\nu}_l \quad \& \quad K \to \pi \, l \bar{\nu}_l$

Observables

$$R_{K} = \frac{\Gamma(K \to e \nu)}{\Gamma(K \to \mu \bar{\nu})} \qquad R_{K}^{SM} = 2.477(1) \times 10^{-5}$$
[Cirigliano, Rosell `07]
See also[Marciano, Sirlin `93]

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{R}^{\mathsf{NA62}}_{\mathsf{K}} &= 2.500(16) \times 10^{-5} & \text{[numbers]} \\ \mathsf{R}^{\mathsf{KLOE}}_{\mathsf{K}} &= 2.493(25)(19) \times 10^{-5} & \text{from KAON09]} \end{split}$$

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Test of lepton universality violation driven by experimental precision

Lepton Universality in the MSSM



But: finetuning of m_e necessary [Girrbach et. al. `09]

Modelindependent MLFV and GUT analysis [Isidori et. al. `09]

Introduction: $K \to \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$



• Dominant Operator: $Q_{\nu} = (\bar{s}_L \gamma_{\mu} d_L) (\bar{\nu}_L \gamma^{\mu} \nu_L)$

$$\sum_{i} V_{is}^* V_{id} F(x_i) = V_{ts}^* V_{td} (F(x_t) - F(x_u)) + V_{cs}^* V_{cd} (F(x_c) - F(x_u))$$

$$\frac{1}{2} V_{is}^* V_{id} F(x_i) = V_{ts}^* V_{td} (F(x_t) - F(x_u)) + V_{cs}^* V_{cd} (F(x_c) - F(x_u))$$

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Use isospin symmetry and normalise to: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \gamma$

$s \rightarrow d$ and New Physics (NP)

 $\begin{array}{ll} b \rightarrow s: & b \rightarrow d: & \textbf{s} \rightarrow d: \\ |V_{tb}^* V_{ts}| \propto \lambda^2 & |V_{tb}^* V_{td}| \propto \lambda^3 & |V_{ts}^* V_{td}| \propto \lambda^5 \end{array}$

Rare K Decays: Additional Cabbibo suppression λ^5

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \frac{C(b \to s)}{\Lambda_{NP}^2} (\bar{b}\Gamma s)(\bar{\nu}\Gamma\nu) + \frac{C(b \to d)}{\Lambda_{NP}^2} (\bar{b}\Gamma d)(\bar{\nu}\Gamma\nu) + \frac{C(s \to d)}{\Lambda_{NP}^2} (\bar{s}\Gamma d)(\bar{\nu}\Gamma\nu)$$

Low NP scale
$$\Lambda_{NP} \simeq 1 \text{ TeV}$$
NP Flavour Sector $C(s \rightarrow d) < \lambda^5$ For Generic NP $C(s \rightarrow d) \simeq 1$ New Physics scale $\Lambda_{NP} > 75 \text{ TeV}$

Rare K decays and New Physics:

 Test deviation of flavour alignment (Minimal Flavour Violation MFV)



also:

 $\begin{array}{l} K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^- \\ K_I \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^- \end{array}$

- Precise theory prediction
- Sensitive to small deviations from MFV

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$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \bar{\nu} \nu$: Effective Hamiltonian



CP violating

Only top quark contributes: $H_{eff} = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha V_{ts}^* V_{td}}{2\pi \sin^2 \Theta_W} X(x_t) Q_v$

Use isospin symmetry and normalise to: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ \gamma$

$$\mathfrak{Br}(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{L}} \to \pi^{0} \bar{\nu} \nu) = \kappa_{\mathsf{L}} \left(\frac{\operatorname{Im}(\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{ts}}^{*} \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{td}})}{\lambda^{5}} \mathsf{X}(\mathsf{x}_{\mathsf{t}}) \right)^{2}$$

$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \bar{\nu} \nu$: short distance

 X_t Is purely short distance

- NLO QCD: ±1% (theory)[Misiak et.al., Buchalla et. al. '99]
- EW corrections large m_t: ±2% uncertainty [Buchalla, Buras '99]
- $X(x_t)$: Dominant theory uncertainty for $K_L \to \pi^0 \, \bar{\nu} \, \nu$
- For example a change $\sin^{OS} \theta_W \leftrightarrow \sin^{\overline{MS}} \theta_W$ results in 5% uncertainty $H_{eff} = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha V_{ts}^* V_{td}}{2\pi \sin^2 \Theta_W} X(x_t) Q_v$

$X(x_t)$: Electroweak Corrections

- Use the MS scheme
- Normalise to G_F
- VEV minimises renormalised potential: include tadpoles
- Traces with γ₅: use HV scheme
- NLO EW: +0.5% shift [Brod, Gorbahn, Stamou ´10]



$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$: Theoretical Status



uncertainty

 $\mathfrak{Br}_{K_{L}} = (2.6 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-11}$ $< 6.7 imes 10^{-8}$ [E391a '08]

[Brod, MG, Stamou '10] Reduce theory uncertainty by factor of 2

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \bar{\nu} \nu \text{ and } K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \bar{\nu} \nu$

$$\begin{split} \text{Different from } & \mathsf{K}_{L} \to \pi^{0} \, \bar{\nu} \, \nu \\ \bullet \, \text{CP conserving: Top \& charm contribute} \\ & \mathcal{B}r \left(\mathsf{K}^{+} \to \pi^{+} \nu \bar{\nu}(\gamma)\right) = \kappa_{+}(1 + \Delta_{EM}) \\ & \times \left| \frac{\mathsf{V}_{ts}^{*} \mathsf{V}_{td} \mathsf{X}_{t}(\mathfrak{m}_{t}^{2}) + \lambda^{4} \mathrm{ReV}_{cs}^{*} \mathsf{V}_{cd} \left(\frac{\mathsf{P}_{c}(\mathfrak{m}_{c}^{2}) + \delta \mathsf{P}_{c,u}}{\lambda^{5}} \right)}{\lambda^{5}} \right|^{2} \\ & \left| \frac{\mathfrak{m}_{c}^{2}}{\mathcal{M}_{W}^{2}} \right|^{2} \text{ suppression lifted by } \log(\frac{\mathfrak{m}_{c}}{\mathcal{M}_{W}}) \frac{1}{\lambda^{4}} \right|^{2} \end{split}$$

Like in
$$K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \, \bar{\nu} \, \nu$$

- Only Q_{ν} : Quadratic GIM & Isospin symmetry
- Top quark contribution like in $K_L \to \pi^0 \, \bar{\nu} \, \nu$

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \bar{\nu} \nu$ Long distance

- Matrix element extracted from K₁₃ decays [Mescia, Smith '07]
- $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ is $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu} (\gamma)$ QED radiative corrections included:

 $\Delta_{\rm EM}({\rm E}_{\gamma}<20{\rm MeV})=-0.003$

- Uncertainty in $\kappa_+(1 \Delta_{\text{EM}})$ reduced by $\frac{1}{7}$
- Below charm scale: Dimension 8 operators [Falk et. al. '01]
- Together with light quarks: $\delta P_{c,u} = 0.04 \pm 0.02$ [Isidori, Mescia, Smith '05]
- Could be Improved by Lattice [Isidori et. al. '05]

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \bar{\nu} \nu$ charm contribution





- Bilocal mixing is $O(G_F^2)$
- What is the parameter x_c
- EW corrections define M_W

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \bar{\nu} \nu$ charm contr. (EW)

• Use \overline{MS} scheme



P_c enhanced by up to
 2% for all EW

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \bar{\nu} \nu$ Error budget



$K \to \pi \bar{\nu} \nu$ in the MSSM





$K \to \pi \bar{\nu} \nu$ in the MSSM: MFV



Minimal Flavour Violation: Aligned squarks and quarks

No strong enhancement possible. Interesting correlations with other observable

[Buras, Gambino, MG, Jäger, Silvestrini `00; Isidori, Mescia, Paradisi, Smith, Trine `06]



$K \to \pi \bar{\nu} \nu$ and non MFV

Offdiagonal squark mass-matrix: Extra Flavour Violation



Beyond the Z-Penguin

Experiment: Background from frequent K⁺-Decays





- Can new physics change the shape?
- In all models there is only one operator for $K \to \pi \bar{\nu} \nu$

Missing Mass Distribution (NP)

Can new physics change the missing mass distribution?

 $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ + and new light particles:$

Sensitivity to the mass

New Operators



Light Neutralinos

Decay in very light neutralinos: $K^+ o \pi^+ \tilde{\chi}^0_1 \tilde{\chi}^0_1$ [Dreiner et. al. '09]



in MFV scenarios: effects are smaller but new operators like

 $(\bar{s}d)(\tilde{\chi}_1^0\mathsf{P}_L\chi_1^0)$

appear, yet the SM like

 $(\bar{s}\gamma_{\mu}d)(\tilde{\chi}_{1}^{0}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma_{5}\tilde{\chi}_{1}^{0})$

Operator dominates

• Estimate the missing mass distribution for new Ops

Decay in One Light Boson $\mathcal P$

- Peak in the missing mass distribution
- Already constrained by Experiment: $\mathcal{B}_{K \to \pi^+ \mathcal{P}} \lesssim \mathcal{B}_{K \to \pi^+ \bar{\nu} \nu}$
- e.g.: Meta-stable SUSY Violation[Banks, Haber `09]

 $\mathcal{L}_{\rm eff} = \frac{\alpha_2^3 m_t^2}{\Lambda_{\rm ISS}^3} \underbrace{V_{td} V_{ts}^*}_{V_{td}} \bar{d}(1 - \gamma_5) \gamma^{\mu} s \ \partial_{\mu} \mathcal{P}$ Coupling to light pseudo-Nambu Goldstone boson

SM like Flavour suppression

$$\mathcal{B}_{K^+ \to \pi^+ \mathcal{P}} \sim 5 \cdot 10^{-15} \left(\frac{2 \mathrm{T} e V}{\Lambda_{ISS}}\right)^6$$

contributes only for small scale Λ_{ISS}

In this model there is also a coupling to electrons: For light $m_{\mathcal{P}}$ red star cooling gives a much stronger bound MFV like & electron coupling: Model dependent

$\epsilon_{\rm K}$:Indirect CP violation



- In almost all old analysis: $\phi_{\epsilon} = 45^{\circ}$ and $\xi = 0$
- In reality: $\xi \neq 0$ $\phi_{\epsilon} \neq 45^{\circ}$ [Andriyash et. al.'04]

$$|\epsilon_{\rm K}^{\rm SM}| = |\epsilon_{\rm K}|(\phi_{\rm e} = 45^{\circ}, \xi = 0)$$

also similar effect as $\delta P_{c,u}$ in ϵ_K



 $\kappa_{\epsilon} = 0.94 \pm 0.02$ [Buras, Guadagnoli, Isidori `10]

Calculation of $M_{12}^{K} = \langle K^0 | \mathcal{H}_{eff}^{\Delta S=2} | \bar{K}^0 \rangle$

Box diagram with internal u,c,t



 $\lambda_i \lambda_j A(x_i, x_j)$

 $\lambda_i = V_{is}^* V_{id}$

plus GIM:



Gives three different contributions for

$$\mathsf{M}_{12}^{\mathsf{K}} = \langle \mathsf{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\Delta \mathsf{S}=2} | \bar{\mathsf{K}}^0 \rangle$$

 $\mathcal{H} \propto \left| \lambda_t^2 \eta_t S(x_t) \right|$ τορ $+2\lambda_c\lambda_t\eta_{ct}S(x_c,x_t)$ charm top $+\lambda_c^2\eta_c S(x_c) | b(\mu)\tilde{Q}$ charm

 $\tilde{Q} = (\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu d_L)(\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu d_L)$





Error Budget for ε_K @ NLO

For a 3% uncertainty in B_K the perturbative uncertainties become dominant



η_{ct} : largest uncertainty needs a 3 loop RGE analysis

> η_{cc} : second largest perturbative uncertainty needs a 3 loop matching calculation

> > [Brod, MG in progress]

η_{ct} : Charm Top at LO



- The Leading Order result $(\alpha_s \log x_c)^n \log x_c$ starts with a $\log x_c$
- Tree level matching
- One-loop Renormalistion Group Equation $m_c^2 \lambda_c (\lambda_c - \lambda_u) \log \frac{m_c}{M_W}$ $\rightarrow m_c^2 \lambda_c \lambda_t \tilde{Q} \log x_c$

η_{ct} : Charm Top beyond LO









- **One-loop matching at** μ_t
- One-loop matching at μ_c
- Two-loop RG running
- Plus d=6 operators NLO [Herrlich, Nierste] $\eta_{ct} = 0.47 \pm 0.04$
- NNLO: RGE and matching for d=6 operators RGE: [MG, Haisch `04], Matching: [Bobeth, et. al. `00]
- Still O(10000) diagrams were calculated

η_{ct} at NNLO



 $K \to \pi \bar{\nu} \nu$ very clean and suppressed probe of the new physics flavour structure

 ϵ_{K} Improvements $B_{K} \longrightarrow NNLO$ calculation

Strong NP sensitivity: Talks by Blanke & Haisch

very clean semileptonic and leptonic modes are also interesting