Results of the KOTO experiment at J-PARC

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Contents

- KOTO took 1st physics run in May 2015.
 - Only 100 hours due to the accident in J-PARC Hadron Hall.
- Blind analysis is still on going. We will show the results soon. Not today.
- I will show
 - How we understand the detector performance
 - Detector/Accelerator plan
 - Expected sensitivity toward the future

 $K_L \to \pi^0 \nu \nu$

- Rare FCNC process $Br(SM)=(2.4\pm0.4)x10^{-11}$
 - GIM suppression for u, c (Only t contribution for this decay)
 - Hierarchical structure of CKM for t quark
- Small theoretical uncertainty ($\sim 2\%$)
 - Short distance (W,Z,t)
 - Ke3 hadron matrix element from data
- Direct CP violation

Sensitive to new physics which break flavor structure and add new CP-violation

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W

 Z^0

 $(\lambda^5 \text{ suppression})$

$$\mathcal{A}(K_L) \propto \mathcal{A}(K^0) - \mathcal{A}(\overline{K_0}) \propto \mathrm{Im}(\mathcal{A}_{s o d}) \propto \eta$$
 (in the SM)

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mathsf{u} & 1 & \lambda & \lambda^3_{(\rho-i\eta)} \\ \mathsf{c} & -\lambda & 1 & \lambda^2 \\ \mathsf{t} & \lambda^3_{(1-\rho-i\eta)} & -\lambda^2 & 1 \\ & \mathsf{d} & \mathsf{s} & \mathsf{b} \end{array} \right) \quad \lambda \sim 0.23$$

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KOTO at J-PARC

KOTO detector

Primary target (Au)

30 GeV proton

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KL beam line Long (20m) Charged particle sweeping magnet Narrow collimator Long lived neutral particle $\rightarrow n,\gamma,KL$



High intensity proton beam (30GeV) Slow extraction $24kW(2013) \rightarrow 100kW$

KOTO detector





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 $\pi^{\! 0}$ with high P_{τ} discriminate $\mathsf{K}_{\iota} \to 2 \gamma$ Other K decays have charged or y more than two

Decay Modes	Branching Fraction
$K_I \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \overline{\nu}$	$(2.4 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-11}$
$K_L \to \pi^{\pm} e^{\mp} \nu$	$(2.1 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-10}$ $(40.55 \pm 0.11) \%$
$K_L \to \pi^{\pm} \mu^{\mp} \mu$	(40.95 ± 0.11) 70 (27.04 ± 0.07) %
$K_{\perp} \rightarrow \pi^{-} \mu^{+} \nu^{-}$	(27.04 ± 0.07) 70 (10.52 ± 0.12) 77
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$\kappa_L \to \pi \pi \pi^\circ$	(12.54 ± 0.05) %
$K_L \rightarrow 2\pi^0$	$(8.64 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-4}$
$K_L \to 2\gamma$	$(5.47 \pm 0.04) \times 10^{-4}$

"Veto almost everything" experiment

Calorimeter performance



Veto performance (1)

- Four cluster sample
 - Charged veto (CV) and Barrel photon veto (MB)
 - We understood the veto performance as expected.



Veto performance (2)

- Special study with a tracking system in 2012.
 - Single charged particle
 - Track with drift chambers upstream of CV
 - Require calorimeter hit downstream of CV
 - Inefficiency $< 2x10^{-5}$ for single layer
 - Two layers of 3mm thick plastic scintillator with WLS fiber readout
 - High light yield with MPPC (3x3mm²)





P_{T} reconstruction

- Two cluster sample \rightarrow Reconstruct K_L assuming
 - K_L mass

for
$$K_L \rightarrow 2$$
 gamma

- Vertex on Z axis
- Understanding of the collimated beam and gamma measurement with the calorimeter.
- Veto detector performance is also as expected.





Detector staging / upgrading

- In-beam charged veto (BHCV)
 - 3mm-thick plastic scintillator $\rightarrow \sim$ 3mm-thick wire chamber (2014).
 - Reduce accidental hits in-beam gamma and neutron
 - Now 6MHz hit rate (maximum in KOTO)
- In-beam photon veto (BHPV)
 - Lead-aerogel sandwich Cerenkov counter. (insensitive to neutron)
 - Increase the depth along the beam axis to reduce punch-through inefficiency
 - Now $4X_0$ (4% in efficiency) $\rightarrow 5.4X_0(1.5\% \text{ in efficiency})$ (2014) $\rightarrow 9X_0$ for the final design
- Barrel photon veto (MB) (Summer 2015)
 - Lead-plastic scintillator sandwich
 - Increase the depth to reduce punch-though inefficiency



J-PARC Slow Extraction

- Power in 2013 : $24kW \rightarrow 100kW$ planed in 2017
- Duty : 2sec/6sec
- Duty in spill : ½

 High accidental rate (x2)
 → trying to reduce







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Summary

- Blind analysis for 1^{st} Physics run \rightarrow coming soon
 - Calorimeter and veto performances are well understood.
- Next run will be started in early 2015
 - \rightarrow beyond the Grossman-Nir bound.
- Detector staging/upgrade is on going.
- Explore large new physics area with accelerator efforts.



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Accident at J-PARC Hadron Hall on May 23, 2013

- * Malfunction of a magnet for slow extraction caused a very short beam to the hall.
 - In usual (as of May 2013): 3×10¹³ protons/2 sec.
 - On accident: $\sim 2 \times 10^{13}$ protons/5 msec.
- * This made a damage on the common Au target.
- * A part of radioactivities from the damaged target was leaked to the hall and the outside of the hall.

Improvement for safety (target system, air tightness, monitoring) is on-going.

KOTO2

of KL, neutron v.s. Extraction angle

neutron

30GeV

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- Extraction angle : 5 degree
- Just behind dump
 - ~50m from target
- Long decay volume and large calorimeter
- 100 SM events \rightarrow 10% measurement of BR



- CP violation in quark sector and Baryogenesis
- Why Minimum Flavor Violation?
- New physics models for KOTO and LHC limitation

E391a final result with ~100 days run time
 Br < 2.6x10⁻⁸ (90% CL)

