Investigation of Limitations on the Photon Tagging Technique

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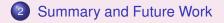
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Limitations of the Tagging Technique

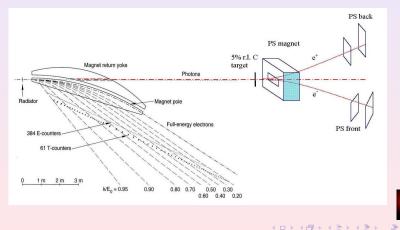
- Experimental Setup and Technique
- Analysis Results





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Experimental data from PRIMEX Fall 2004 run are compared with GEANT simulation of the experimental setup.



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PRIMEX is a High Precision experiment, measuring π^0 lifetime with a precision of 1.5%.

The π^0 decay cross-section is extracted from the tagged yield of the π^0 's.

 $\textbf{Yield} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \times \textbf{d}\Omega \times \textbf{t} \times \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \times \boldsymbol{\Phi}$

where t is the target thickness,

 ϵ is the π^0 detection efficiency,

 Φ is the incident photon flux.

Determination of the photon flux strongly depends on knowing the number of tagged photons in each energy bin.



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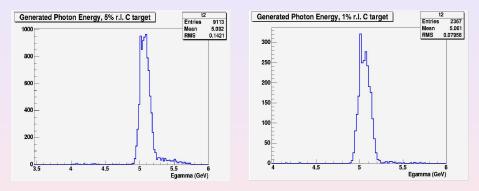


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Analysis Results Simulations with 1% r.l. and 5 % r.l. C targets



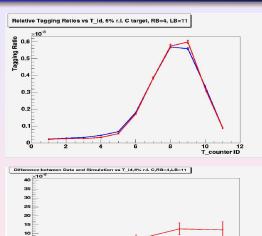
Thicker Target (5% r.l.) \iff Pair Thinner Target (1% r.l.) \iff the Pair Spectrometer effects are larger then Spectrometer effects are minimized. for 1% r.l. target.



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Low T-ID \iff High E_{γ} **RED** = Simulation **BLUE** = Data

Data:

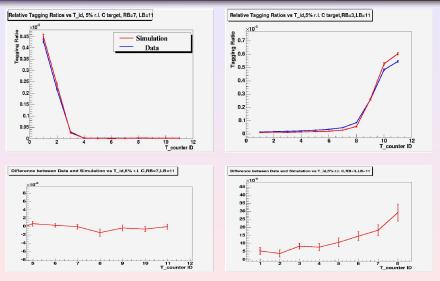
Relative tagging ratio= $\frac{N_{e^+e^-\cdot e_i^-}}{N_{\gamma_i}}$ where $N_{\gamma_i} = N_{e_i} \times R_i^{TAC}$

Simulation: Relative tagging ratio= $\frac{N_{e^+e^-} \cdot \gamma_{\Delta E_i}}{N_{\gamma_{\Delta E_i}}}$ where ΔE_i is the energy range covered by T_i .

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