# $\pi^0$ Lifetime Extraction from ${}^{12}C$ and ${}^{208}Pb$

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- What's been done recently:
  - Evaluated possible background from non-target sources
  - Analyzed veto false signal occurance for both  $^{12}\mathrm{C}$  and  $^{208}\mathrm{Pb}$
  - Perf. simult. combined-parm fits for both targets in various ways
  - New systematic error table, near final
- Very recent Issues which need further considerstion:
  - Accidental contribution to veto false signal?

-What is the reason for shifted fit at large angles?

target	Γ <sub>γγ</sub>	fit (stat) err	syst err	total err
<sup>12</sup> C:	7.979	0.149(1.87%)	0.174(2.18%)	0.229(2.87%)
<sup>208</sup> Pb:	7.968	0.142(1.78%)	0.174(2.18%)	0.224(2.81%)
Average	7.97	0.146(1.83%)	0.174(2.18%)	0.227(2.84%)



# **Non-Target** $\pi^0$ **Yield Bkgd** (Empty Target Data)





# **Veto Single** $\gamma$ **False Signal Rate**, <sup>12</sup>**C and** <sup>208</sup>**Pb**







## Sample 6 parameter Combined Fits (Indep. $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$ )











# **Sample 5 parameter Combined Fits (Combined Width)**







	$\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma} \pm \text{ fit err in eV (fit } \chi^2)$		
Target	4 Parm Fits	6 Parm Fits	5 ParmFits
<sup>12</sup> C	7.88±0.15 (1.27)	7.98±0.15 (1.26)	$7.93 \pm 0.11 \; (1.25)$
<sup>208</sup> Pb	8.06±0.17 (0.96)	$7.97 \pm 0.14 \; (1.02)$	$7.93 \pm 0.11 \ (1.01)$
	$b_{NC} \pm fit err$		
<sup>12</sup> C	$1.78\pm0.037$	$1.82\pm0.034$	$1.80 \pm 0.034$
<sup>208</sup> Pb	$1.20 \pm 0.113$	$1.07\pm0.063$	$1.07\pm0.059$
	$\phi \pm$ fit err in radians		
<sup>12</sup> C	$0.99\pm0.047$	$1.02 \pm 0.041$	$1.02 \pm 0.040$
<sup>208</sup> Pb	$1.14\pm0.080$	$1.02\pm0.041$	$1.02 \pm 0.040$
	$b_{INC} \pm fit err$		
<sup>12</sup> C	$0.47\pm0.050$	$0.44 \pm 0.046$	$0.44 \pm 0.046$
<sup>208</sup> Pb	$0.13 \pm 0.122$	$0.44\pm0.046$	$0.44 \pm 0.046$









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### Systematic Error Table, part 1

Item	Error (%)
Photon Flux	±0.97
Target Thickness	±0.1
Branching Ratio ( $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ )	±0.03
γγ Inv. Mass Fits**	±1.39
Inelastic Bkgd Corr.	±1.10
Timing Accidental Bkgd Corr.	$\pm 0.22$
$\omega$ Bkgd Subtraction (±20%)	±0.26
Tagged Photon Energy	±0.1
Fiducial Acceptance	±0.30
Trigger Efficiency	$\pm 0.1$



#### **Systematic Error Table, part 2**

Item	Error (%)
Timing Cut	±0.30
Elasticity Cut	±0.25
Veto Cut	±0.17
Theory Parameters	±0.42
Incoherent Shape	$\pm 0.28$
Total Quadrature Sum (parts 1 & 2)	±2.18



# Systematic Error: Inelastic Bkgd Correction $\pm 1.10\%$ – $7.79 eV < \Gamma_{\gamma\gamma} < 7.96 eV$





# **Summary and Future Work**

- All past comments and requests have been addressed
- There is no quantifiable empty target  $\pi^0$  yield for this analysis
- $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$  fit results very stable under various yield Bkgd corrections and theoretical input shapes
- 4 parameter independent fits give <sup>12</sup>C and <sup>208</sup>Pb widths that differ by 2.25%
- However, 6 parameter fits give very consistent width results between two targets. Why? We think because φ is much better controlled for <sup>208</sup>Pb fit here
- 5 parameter fits give Γ<sub>γγ</sub>= 7.927±0.111eV. Howeve, it is not clear if we can simply combine the <sup>12</sup>C and <sup>208</sup>Pbstatistics to achieve this 1.4% statisticsl error



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To make the final report we need to:

- Investigate issues—accidental contribution to veto false signal, and shifted fit ditributions
- Re-check our results and finish the write-up
- Address questions and issues brought up at this meeting as well as comments from analysis note reviewers



#### **Extra Slides following this page...**



#### **DataSets Analyzed**

Target	Total Runs	Run Number Ranges
<sup>12</sup> C	160	4740 - 4768, 4976 - 5059; 5159 - 5242
<sup>208</sup> Pb	76	4882 - 4913, 5083 - 5114, 5266 - 5330

Table 1: Run number ranges used in this analysis for <sup>12</sup>C and <sup>208</sup>Pb targets. Both sets consist of only radiator B runs.

#### **General Cuts and Event Selection**

- Accepted PbWO<sub>4</sub> hits only (excluding inner and outer-most layer)
- Minimum cluster energy: 0.1GeV
- Best timing candidate selection with tdiff cut:  $\pm 4ns$







#### **Yields with Bkgds**





#### **Final Yields**





# The $\omega \to \pi^0 \gamma \, \text{Bkgd}$ Correction

- $d\sigma/d\theta_{\pi^0}$  for  $\omega \to \pi^0 \gamma$  taken from T. Rodrigues and implemented in 2 ways
- 1<sup>st</sup> method: Add omega and incoherent cross sections and use this shape for fitting the data (instead of just incoherent term)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> method: Convert ω cross section into absolute yield and explicitly subtract it from experimental yield











#### **Incoherent Cross Sections**











#### **Systematic Error: Timing Cut/Event Selection** $\pm 0.30\%$

	BC Fit	NBC Fit	BC Selection	Corresponding
Target	Peak Cts:	Peak Cts:	Cut	Efficiency
Used	$\pi^0$ 's	lost $\pi^0$ 's	Efficiency	Losses (%)
<sup>12</sup> C	$63924 \pm 335$	$1574\pm17$	$0.975 \pm 0.0028$	$2.5\pm0.3$
<sup>208</sup> Pb	$9085 \pm 107$	$105\pm10$	$0.989 \pm 0.0033$	$1.1 \pm 0.3$

Table 2: Summary of timing candidate selection efficiency for  ${}^{12}C$  and  ${}^{208}Pb$ 







#### **Systematic Error: Elasticity Cut** $\pm 0.25\%$

Elasticity	Events
Cut Range	Lost (%)
[0.876, 1.116]	$1.07\pm0.16$
[0.886, 1.106]	$1.22\pm0.17$
[0.896, 1.096]	$1.42 \pm 0.18$
[0.906, 1.086]	$1.69\pm0.20$
[0.916, 1.076]	$2.07\pm0.22$
[0.926, 1.066]	$2.63\pm0.25$
[0.936, 1.056]	$3.52\pm0.28$
[0.946, 1.046]	$5.07\pm0.34$

Table 3: Table of elasticity cut ranges and corresponding efficiency losses