
Subject: [FIXED] Problem in reconstructing neutral particle

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Dear all,

I'm reconstructing this decay chain:

$Ds^+ \rightarrow \nu_e e^+ \eta$

$\quad \quad \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

$\quad \quad \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

In reconstruction, since the photons come from three different components of EMC(with different angle and energy cuttings), i.e. barrel, forward endcap, backward endcap, I need to take all possible combinations into account of the π^0 candidates. My analysis can run smoothly when the combinations are only related to barrel and forward endcap. When one/both of the two gamma(s) come from the backward endcap EMC, the macro will be crashed after 500evt with the following info:

evt 100

evt 200

evt 300

evt 400

evt 500

ERROR: attempt to call RhoCandidate::SetType("pi0 | Meson | Q=0") for a composite RhoCandidate whose daughters have total charge -3

ERROR: attempt to call RhoCandidate::SetType("pi0 | Meson | Q=0") for a composite RhoCandidate whose daughters have total charge -2

ERROR: attempt to call RhoCandidate::SetType("pi0 | Meson | Q=0") for a composite RhoCandidate whose daughters have total charge -1

*** Candidate is its own mother??? ***

I use FillList(gam,"Neutral") to get the photon list though I know it has some problems with PdgCode setting. From the error message, it seems that some charged particles are misfilled into the neutral list.

I commented some combinations related to the bwd part, and found that in some occasions the crash happens without any error info about charge but only "*** Candidate is its own mother???". Thus, I guess if there are some π^0 in the gamma list as well.

From the other hand, I don't understand why this crash only happens with the backward endcap EMC. If this problem is purely due to the incorrect filling of neutral list, these errors should be also equally posted by other two EMC components, but they don't actually.

Thanks in advance for all comments and suggestions!

Best,
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