Stat. uncertainties on positron rate

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Statistics

- Assume we take data for one day at a given xi value
 - 1 day=55000s (80% up-time and 80% efficiency and 24h)
 - Laser shot rate 1 Hz, BG rate: 9 Hz
- Calculate uncertainty assuming Ndata=Nsig+Nbg
 - Stat. uncertainty on Nbg based on 9 Hz of BG events
 - Stat. uncertainty on Ndata = sqrt(Ndata)
- Do calculation versus number of positrons per BX:
 - Assume signal rates between 10⁻⁴ and 10⁴
 - Assume backgrounds of 0.01, 0.1 and 1 per bunch crossing
- Assume signal efficiency is 100%
 - A bit optimistic ⁽ⁱ⁾ but results will not change much with 90% => can plug in relevant number

Number of positrons / BC



- With current statistics of MC: signal rates between 10^-3 and 5x10^3
- In my opinion we want to be sensitive for rates>10⁻³

Uncertainties per day of data taking



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Uncertainties per 10 days



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Conclusions

- We can achieve to measure rates of ~0.001 if we keep background <<0.1 events/BX
 - Otherwise we are limited by the background understanding
- This "background" is just the "beam only" background, i.e. not due to combinatorics in the signal.