

Signal simulation status

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Pair creation in PTARMIGAN

Theory and simulation milestones





1	Signal prod.			4/6 completed
3	✓	≡	Date	≡ Task
4	✓			electron-positron pair creation (nonlinear Breit-Wheeler)
5	□			photon polarization dependence in Compton and Breit-Wheeler rates (needed for improved trident predictions)
6	✓			accept photon distribution input (bremsstrahlung/ICS)
7	✓			inconsistency with Tony's MC (overall factor of $\sqrt{2}$ and angular structure)
8	✓			change output format (binary + metadata)
9	□			extension of pair creation to allow for user-defined charge and mass
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11	□			

Estimates computed,
but not currently on
roadmap

We should agree on a
nominal set of
parameters for TDR
signal simulation runs

Theory/sim milestone
Sept 2022

Theory and simulation milestones

- Theory and simulation milestones:
 - NBW in a CP laser pulse in simulation and theory-benchmarked [May 2021]
 - Approximate Trident in CP laser pulse (no photon polarisation) [July 2021]
- Implement LMA and LCFA pair creation rates, as well as “perturbative (leading order) LMA” 
- Benchmark simulation against theory for pulsed plane waves 
- Simulate **gamma-laser** collisions with approximate photon spectrum, phase 0 and 1 
- Simulate **electron-laser** collisions, phase 0 and 1 
- Simulate **ICS gamma-laser** collisions, phase 1 – **HDF5 formatted data already provided (thanks Daniel!)** 