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The possibility of finding the P-symmetry breaking decay of the charged a_0 meson

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The spatial parity (P) violation in strong interactions have never been observed experimentally. One can include a P-breaking term in the QCD lagrangian. Thus, there can be a local violation of P-symmetry in the medium with high temperature and large topological fluctuations [1]. As a consequence, some hadrons would decay in channels that forbidden by the global parity conservation [2]. In this work we investigate the possibility of observing such process: decay of a charged a_0 meson into charged pion and photon [3]. We study an invariant-mass spectrum of $\pi^\pm - \gamma$ pairs produced in PYTHIA Monte Carlo generator with enabled $a_0^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm + \gamma$ decay channel. To distinguish the peak of mentioned decay from the background the mixed-event subtracting, kinematic cuts and Dalitz plots analysis was used. As a result we have estimated minimal number of pp collision events for significant signal of the P-breaking decay.

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