Recoil Proton Kinematics Alex R. Dzierba

Recoil proton kinematics: During the May 14-15 2007 PID Workshop we discussed identification of the recoil proton especially with regard to identification in BCAL and dE/dx in the CDC. Here we consider the kinematics of the recoil proton in the reaction:

$$\gamma p \to X p$$

where E_{γ} is uniformly chosen in the range 8.5 to 9.0 GeV, and M_X is uniformly chosen in the range 1.0 to 2.5 GeV/ c^2 . The momentum transfer squared, t, is assumed to follow a distribution of the form $e^{-\alpha |t|}$ where α is 2.0, 5.0 or 10.0 (GeV/c)⁻². Figure 1 shows the distribution in momentum, angle and transverse momentum for the recoil proton for the three values of α while Figure 2 shows the momentum as a function of angle for the three values of α .



Figure 1: Distribution in momentum, angle and transverse momentum for the recoil proton for the three values of α .



Figure 2: Momentum as a function of angle for the recoil proton for the three values of α .