



#### Neutrino interactions in FLUKA: NUNDIS

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# FLUKA : a multi-purpose Monte Carlo code





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## Neutrinos in FLUKA

- Generators of neutrino-nucleon interactions:
  - QuasiElastic
  - Resonance
  - DIS
- Embedded in FLUKA nuclear modelsfor Initial State and Final State effects
- Only for Argon: absorption of fev-MeV (solar) neutrinos on whole nucleus

 Products of the neutrino interaction can be directly transported in the detector (or other) materials

# Quasi Elastic

- Following Llewellyn Smith formulation
- $M_A = 1.03$ ,  $M_V = 0.84$
- Lepton masses accounted for
- Polarization of the outgoing lepton is calculated (and used in lepton decay) according to Albright-Jarlskog\*
- \* later applied also to leptons produced in RES/DIS

## **Resonance** production

- From Rein-Sehgal formulation
- Keep only  $\Delta$  production
- No non-resonant background term, assuming that the non-resonant contribution comes from NunDIS
- TRANSITION from RES to DIS: linear decrease of both  $\sigma$  as a function of W



# DIS (NUNDIS)

FLUKA hadronization and nuclear interactions work well independently of primary interaction vertex





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Quark dependence q<sub>i</sub>(<sup>2</sup>Q,x) determined from Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs)



#### More on pdfs

Three versions of pdf from the GRV98 analysis are included as options for evaluating nucleon structure functions

- 1. Leading order analyses (LO)
- 2. Next to leading order analyses (NLO MS-bar)
- 3. Next to leading order analyses (NLO DIS)

An interesting feature of the GRV98 analysis is a low threshold for the transferred , 4-momentum,  $Q^2 = 0.8$ GeV<sup>2</sup>

NLO (DIS) is chosen as a default option







#### Charm production in neutrino interactions

- Ratio of the charm to total cross sections
- Results of NUNDIS simulation with M<sub>c</sub> = 1.35 GeV (curves) and experimental data: E531 (open circles) and CHORUS-2011 (filled squares).





#### In FLUKA:

- Assumes chain universality
- Fragmentation functions from hard processes and e+escattering
- Transverse momentum from uncertainty considerations
  Mass effects at low energies

The same functions and (few) parameters for all reactions and energies

- From v DIS :
  - One quark-diquark chain if interaction of valence quark
  - One quark-diquark plus one qqbar chain if int on sea quark

#### Low energy and single pion

New *low-mass chain treatment->* improvements in the **RES-DIS** transition



#### Comparison with data on total cross section



E<sub>v</sub> (GeV)

# Same, with evaluation of data systematics



Work in progress: Attempt to compare with a combined estimate from available data and relative systematic error, properly accounting for correlations

Focus on the CNGS energy range (5-30 GeV)

Recent experiments (like MINOS, NOMAD, CCFR 1997): measure the shape of neutrino flux, and get the Absolute normalization from Old measurements at high energy, performed using Narrow Band Beams (CCFR-E701 / CCFRR-E616 / CDHS) or Wide Band Beams (GARGAMELLE / BEBC)

→ Common systematic errors

#### Nuclear interactions in FLUKA: the PEANUT model



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#### (Generalized) IntraNuclear Cascade

- Primary and secondary particles moving in the nuclear medium
- Target nucleons motion and nuclear potential well according to the Fermi gas model
- Interaction probability
  - $\sigma_{\text{free}}$  + Fermi motion ×  $\rho(\mathbf{r})$  + exceptions (ex.  $\pi$ )
- Glauber cascade at higher energies
- Classical trajectories (+) nuclear mean potential (resonant for  $\pi$ )
- Curvature from nuclear potential  $\rightarrow$  refraction and reflection
- Interactions are incoherent and uncorrelated
- Interactions in projectile-target nucleon CMS  $\rightarrow$  Lorentz boosts
- Multibody absorption for  $\pi$ ,  $\mu^2$ , K<sup>2</sup>
- Quantum effects (Pauli, formation zone, correlations...)
- Exact conservation of energy, momenta and all additive quantum numbers, including nuclear recoil
- First excited nuclear levels accounted for (more in evaporation/gamma deexc)

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## Effect of Pauli Blocking: example



Ratio of Neutrino/antineutrino  $\sigma$  CC vs (a)neutrino energy For interactions in Ar nuclei,  $v_{\mu}$ As calculated with FLUKA Black: full calculation Red: simple sum of v-N cross section

Smaller q<sup>2</sup> in anti-neutrino results in higher Pauli-blocking probability

#### Nucleon Fermi Motion in FLUKA

- Fermi gas model: Nucleons = Non-interacting Constrained Fermions Momentum distribution  $\propto \frac{dN}{dk} = \frac{|k|^2}{2\pi^2}$ for k up to a (local) Fermi momentum  $k_F(r)$  given by  $k_F(r) = [3\pi^2 \rho_N(r)]^{\frac{1}{3}}$
- Momentum smearing according to uncertainty principle assuming a position uncertainty =  $\sqrt{2}$  fm
- Nuclear density given by symmetrized Woods-Saxon for A>16 and by a harmonic oscillator shell model for light isotopes
- Proton and neutron densities are different

#### Positive kaons as a probe of Fermi motion



 $\begin{array}{ccc} K^{+} & K^{0} \\ \mbox{No low mass S=1 baryons} \rightarrow \\ \mbox{weak } K^{+}\mbox{N interaction} \\ \mbox{only elastic and ch. exch. up tc} \\ \approx 800 \ \mbox{MeV/c} \end{array}$ 

(K<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>) on Pb vs residual excitation, 705 MeV/c, at 24° and 43°.
Histo: FLUKA, dots: data (Phys Rev. C51, 669 (1995))
On free nucleon: recoil energy : 43 MeV at 24°, 117 MeV at 43°.

## Total cross section: nuclear effects in Ar



5 GeV < Ev < 50 GeV Pauli Blocking effect and Fermi Gas effect separately have an impact of ~ 2-3% Globally Nuclear effects stay within ±1%

Ev < 5 GeV

nuclear effects are dominated by the Pauli Blocking and rapidly increase to the order of 10% and above

## Nuclear effects in Minerva

Beam: vµ NuMi Low Energy (average 4 GeV) Main Target : CH

Measured also with C, Fe, Pb targets PRL 112, 231801 (2014)

Here: ratio of cross sections / the one in CH

Left: total CC vs neutrino Energy : squares: data crosses: FLUKA

Right: do/dx symbols: data histos: Fluka expt: reduction at low x and enhancement at high x with incr. A Fluka: fails the highest x (same for Genie) 10 Nov 2015



#### FSI example: Formation zone



Decrease of the reinteraction probability

Applied also to DIS neutrino interactions and, in an analogue way, to QE neutrino interactions

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#### Pions: nuclear medium effects

Non resonant channel Free  $\pi$  N interactions  $\Rightarrow$ P-wave resonant  $\Delta$  production  $\Delta$  in nuclear  $\Rightarrow$  decay  $\Rightarrow$  elastic scattering, charge exchange  $\stackrel{\text{medium}}{\Longrightarrow} \stackrel{\text{reinteraction}}{\Rightarrow} \stackrel{\text{Multibody pion absorption}}{\Rightarrow}$ Assuming for the free resonant  $\sigma$ a Breit-Wigner form with width  $\sigma_{res}^{Free} = \frac{8\pi}{p_{cms}^2} \frac{M_{\Delta}^2 \Gamma_F^2(p_{cms})}{(s - M_{\Delta}^2)^2 + M_{\Delta}^2 \Gamma_F^2(p_{cms})}$ An `` in medium'' resonant  $\sigma(\sigma^{A}_{res})$  can be obtained adding to  $\Gamma_{F}$  the imaginary part of the (extra) width arising from nuclear medium  $\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{T} = \frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{F} - \operatorname{Im}\Sigma_{\Delta} \quad \Sigma_{\Delta} = \Sigma_{qe} + \Sigma_{2} + \Sigma_{3} \quad \text{(Oset et al., NPA 468, 631)}$ quasielastic scattering, two and three body absorption The in-nucleus  $\sigma_t^A$  takes also into account a two-body s-wave absorption  $\sigma_s^A$ derived from the optical model  $\sigma_t^A = \sigma_{res}^A + \sigma_t^{Free} - \sigma_{res}^{Free} + \sigma_s^A \quad \sigma_s^A(\omega) = \frac{4\pi}{p} \left(1 + \frac{\omega}{2m}\right) \operatorname{Im} B_0(\omega) \rho$ 

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# Expected effect in Ar



Example of expected effect: 2 GeV  $v_{\mu}$  CC RES interaction in Ar: Pion production vs pion total E Lines: before FSI Symbols: after FSI

Solid and filled symbols: positive pions Dashed and open symbols: pizero

# Data on pion production

#### Thoughts on MINERVA vs. MiniBooNE

- Shapes very similar, no significant dip in either!
- Small difference in slope (Kinematics, FF, nonres differences).
- Biggest difference is at low energy.

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MiniBoone : CH<sub>2</sub>, Ev ≈0.8 GeV, cut on single pion, PHYS. REV.D 83, 052007 (2011) Minerva : CH, Ev ≈4 GeV, cut on W<1.4 arXiv:1406.6415v3 (2015)

Tension betw the two data sets vs models/ extent of FSI

# FLUKA (preliminary)



Absolute comparison with Minerva data on pion production

Red: no FSI Black : with FSI Symbols: Data



## **MB** and Minerva



# The 501 LAr TPC in the WANF neutrino beam(1997)



Trigger and µ reconstruction: NOMAD Event selection: "GOLDEN sample" = 1 µ and 1 proton >40MeV fully contained Phys.Rev. D74 (2006) 112001 10 Nov 2015





Collection wires. (128 wires: 32 cm.)

Induction wires. (128 wires: 32 cm.)



#### from 400 QE - golden fraction 16%

background - additional 20%
 finally expected

 $80\pm9(stat.)\pm13(syst. \rightarrow mainly QE fraction and beam simul)$ 

to be compared with 86 events observed

Very good consistency with expectations

Note: here DIS and RES from old coupling with the NUX code (A. Rubbia) 31





Distribution of total deposited energy in the T600 detector CNGS numuCC events Same reconstruction in MC and Data Neutrino fluxes from FLUKA cngs simulations

Absolute agreement on neutrino rate within 6%

# **Conclusions and perspectives**

- A neutrino event generator (NUNDIS) is implemented in FLUKA
- QE, RES, DIS interactions
- Hadronization as for hadronic interactions in FLUKA
- Nuclear effects from the FLUKA nuclear models
- Encouraging comparisons with expt data
- More has to be done:
- Coherent pion production
- > Coherent effects (see high x in Minerva and proton pairs in Argoneut)
- More coherent / nuclear structure effects for low energy QE
- > Meson exchange in QE (high x in Minerva)
- > Radiative corrections in DIS (ongoing)
- > ..nobody likes Rein-Sehgal..
- > Comparisons against data
- Collaboration is very very welcome!



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#### Nuclear potential for pions

For pions, a complex nuclear potential can be defined out of the  $\pi$ -nucleon scattering amplitude to be used in conjunction with the Klein-Gordon equation

$$\left[\left(\omega-V_{c}\right)^{2}-2\omega U_{opt}-K^{2}\right]\Psi=m_{\pi}^{2}\Psi$$

In coordinate space (the upper/lower signs refer to  $\pi^+/\pi^-$ ):

$$\omega U_{opt}(\omega, r) = -\beta(\omega, r) + \frac{\omega}{2M} \nabla^2 \alpha(\omega, r) - \nabla \frac{\alpha}{1 + g\alpha(\omega, r)} \nabla$$
$$\beta = 4\pi \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\omega}{M} \right) \left( b_0(\omega) \mp b_1(\omega) \frac{N - Z}{A} \right) \rho(r) + \left( 1 + \frac{\omega}{2M} \right) B_0(\omega) \rho^2(r) \right]$$
$$\alpha = 4\pi \left[ \frac{1}{\left( 1 + \frac{\omega}{M} \right)} \left( c_0(\omega) \mp c_1(\omega) \frac{N - Z}{A} \right) \rho(r) + \frac{1}{\left( 1 + \frac{\omega}{M} \right)} C_0(\omega) \rho^2(r) \right]$$

Using standard methods to get rid of the non-locality, in momentum space

$$2\omega U_{opt}(\omega, r) = -\beta - K^2 \frac{\alpha}{1 + g\alpha} + \frac{\omega}{2M} \nabla^2 \alpha$$
$$K^2 = k_0^2 + V_c^2 - 2\omega V_c^2 - 2\omega U_{opt}(\omega, r) = \frac{k_0^2 + V_c^2 - 2\omega V_c^2 + \beta - \frac{\omega}{2M} \nabla^2 \alpha}{1 - \overline{\alpha}}$$

$$\overline{\alpha} = \frac{\alpha}{1 + g\alpha}$$

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#### Nuclear potential for pions: examples

The real part of the pion optical potential for  $\pi^-$  on <sup>16</sup>O (left) and  $\pi^+$  on <sup>208</sup>Pb (right) as a function of radius for various pion energies (MeV)



#### **NUNDIS 2015: kinematics**

 Considered kinematical limits for the PDF available from GRV94, GRV98, and BBS analyses.

	Required	GRV94		GRV98		BBS	
Variable		Default	Tested	Default	Tested	Default	Tested
$E_{min}~{ m (GeV)}$		0.050					
$E_{max}~{ m (GeV)}$	$\geq \! 10^4$	$70 \cdot 10^{3}$			$10^5$		
$oldsymbol{Q}^2_{min}~({ m GeV^2})$	$\leq$ 5.5 $\cdot$ 10 <sup>-12</sup>	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.8	2	0.8
$oldsymbol{Q}^2_{max}~({ m GeV^2})$	$\geq 1.9{\cdot}10^4$	$10^{6}$	$10^9$	$10^{6}$	$10^9$	$10^4$	$2\cdot 10^4$
$x_{min}$	$\leq 1.4 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$10^{-5}$	$10^{-30}$	$10^{-9}$	$10^{-30}$	$10^{-4}$	$10^{-30}$
$x_{max}$	1	0.99999	0.99999	1	1	1	1