

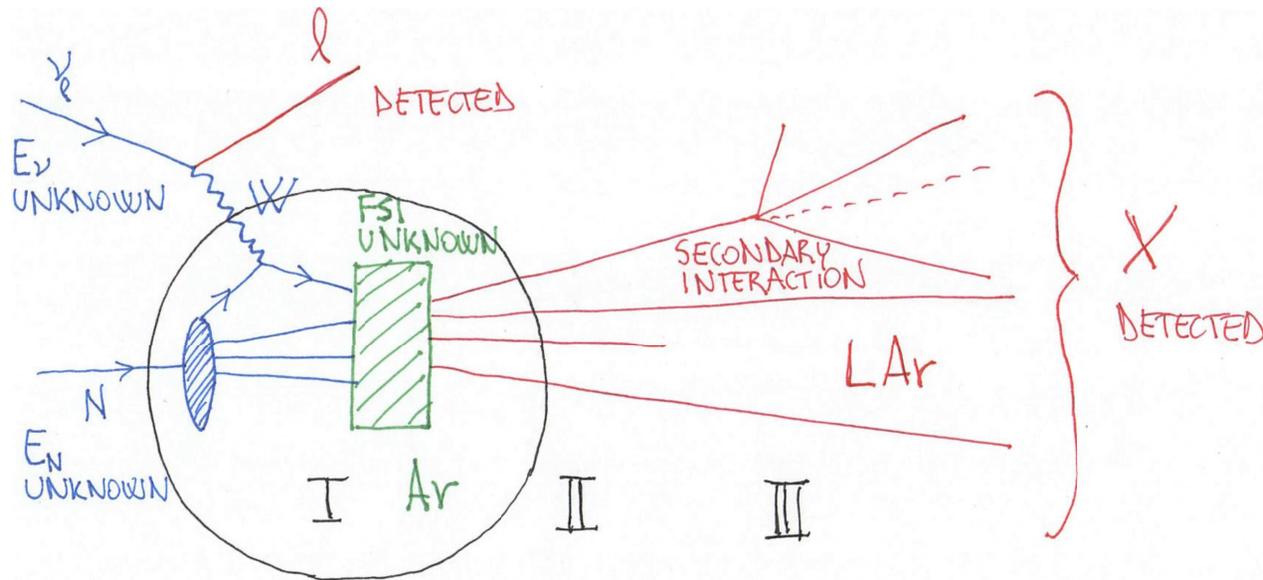
Constraining $\nu(\bar{\nu})$ Interactions in LAr

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UNDERSTANDING CC INTERACTIONS IN LAr



- I *Nuclear smearing from target Ar nucleus: Ar target + "solid" H target in STT*
 - II *Hadron multiplicities from $\nu(\bar{\nu})$ -Ar: Ar target + low density STT in B field*
 - III *Secondary interactions in LAr (transport): LAr + low density STT in B field*
- ⇒ *GRAIN+STT can disentangle and constrain different effects offering a calibration tool for both ND-LAr and FD*

SECONDARY INTERACTIONS IN LAr (III)

- ◆ *Acceptance variation vs. vertex z in LAr controlled by interacting/stopping hadrons*
 \implies *Hadrons exiting from sides of GRAIN small fraction ($\sim 6\%$ of π^\pm) of total*
- ◆ *Excellent vertex resolution for CC events with ≥ 1 reconstructed hadrons in STT.*
- ◆ *Determine mean free path τ from analysis of reconstructed π^\pm, p vs. z in LAr:*

$$N_\pi^{\text{rec}}(\Delta z) = N_0 \exp(-\Delta z/\tau)$$

with Δz thickness of LAr crossed along z axis.

- ◆ *Constraining secondary interactions in GRAIN+STT:*
 - *Exploit thickness of GRAIN and unique combination of LAr followed by low-density STT;*
 - *Small number of reconstructed secondary π^\pm, p in STT roughly proportional to interaction rate*
 - *Separation of secondary interactions from primary particles emerging from $\nu(\bar{\nu})$ -Ar interactions.*

HADRON MULTIPLICITIES FROM $\nu(\bar{\nu})$ -Ar (II)

- ◆ Excellent π/p identification in STT+ECAL allows *high purity selection of π^\pm, p multiplicities* (neglect tiny K^\pm fraction).

- ◆ *Measured mean free path τ in LAr can be used to correct reconstructed multiplicities:*

$$N_{2\pi}^0 = N_{2\pi} \exp(2\Delta z/\tau)$$

$$N_{1\pi}^0 = N_{1\pi} \exp(\Delta z/\tau) - N_{2\pi}^0 \exp(\Delta z/\tau) [1 - \exp(-2\Delta z/\tau)]$$

$$N_{0\pi}^0 = N_{0\pi} - [1 - \exp(-\Delta z/\tau)] [N_{1\pi}^0 + N_{2\pi}^0 - N_{2\pi}^0 \exp(-\Delta z/\tau)]$$

with only $\leq 2\pi$ for illustration and similar relations can be written for p topologies.

- ◆ *Data-driven diagonalization of migration matrix among different π^\pm, p topologies:*

- *Final state multiplicities emerging from $\nu(\bar{\nu})$ -Ar interactions can be determined using the downstream LAr fiducial volume close to STT with $\Delta z \ll \tau$;*
- *Small number of reconstructed secondary π^\pm, p can be reduced using backward track extrapolation;*
- *Excellent momentum and angular resolution in STT limits smearing effects on kinematics.*

CONSTRAINING NUCLEAR SMEARING IN Ar (I)

$$N_X(E_{\text{rec}}) = \int_{E_\nu} dE_\nu \boxed{\Phi(E_\nu)} P_{\text{osc}}(E_\nu) \boxed{\sigma_X(E_\nu)} \boxed{R_{\text{phys}}(E_\nu, E_{\text{vis}})} \boxed{R_{\text{det}}(E_{\text{vis}}, E_{\text{rec}})}$$



~1% in H



$F_i(Q^2)$



$R_{\text{phys}} \equiv I$



K_0, Λ, γ

◆ *Compare interactions on H in STT and on Ar in GRAIN for $\Delta z \ll \tau$:*

- *Constraining the nuclear smearing if acceptance R_{det} similar for Ar and H;*
- *Calibration of the (anti)neutrino energy scale.*

◆ *Providing necessary redundancy against MC/model & unexpected discrepancies:*

- *Ar detectors alone (even ideal) cannot resolve nuclear smearing & related systematics;*
- *PRISM alone sensitive to (beam) model & tuning to resolve off-axis discrepancies.*

\implies *Synergy between PRISM and Hydrogen measurements in STT to resolve systematics from beam modeling & nuclear smearing*