Outline:

Lecture 1

Basics (this may overlap with other speakers' talks) The Relativistic Fermi Gas (RFG) Superscaling

Lecture 2

More sophisticated model of inclusive scattering 2p-2h Meson –Exchange Currents (MEC) Comparisons with data Inclusive electron scattering Inclusive charge-changing neutrino reactions Other models?

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Important: the longitudinal response has only very small contributions from meson production and meson-exchange currents, and therefore provides a fair test of the one-body QE cross section. The electron scattering response scales (data shown).





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CC Neutrino Reactions (MiniBooNE conditions)



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... additionally, so far only one-body currents have been discussed and one should account for the contributions of two-body Meson-Exchange Currents (MEC), especially those that contain an intermediate Δ and π exchange

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+ recent work (J. E. Amaro *et al.*)



FIG. 1: The two-body meson exchange currents in free-space. The thick lines in the diagrams (a) to (d) represent the Δ propagation.

As mentioned earlier, our computation will

be confined to the 2p-2h transverse response function which for the RFG reads [27]:

$$R_{T}(q,\omega) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{V}{(2\pi)^{9}} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}p_{1} \mathrm{d}p_{2} \mathrm{d}p'_{1}}{16E_{p'_{1}} E_{p'_{2}} E_{p_{1}} E_{p_{2}}} \theta(|p'_{1}| - k_{F}) \theta(|p'_{2}| - k_{F}) \theta(k_{f} - |p_{1}|) \theta(k_{F} - |p_{2}|)$$

$$\times \delta[\omega - (E_{p'_{1}} + E_{p'_{2}} - E_{p_{1}} - E_{p_{2}})] \sum_{\sigma\tau} \sum_{i,j=1}^{3} V^{4} \left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{q_{i}q_{j}}{q^{2}}\right)$$

$$\times \left[J_{i}^{\dagger}(p'_{1}, p_{1}, p'_{2}, p_{2})J_{j}(p'_{1}, p_{1}, p'_{2}, p_{2}) - J_{i}^{\dagger}(p'_{1}, p_{1}, p'_{2}, p_{2})J_{j}(p'_{1}, p_{2}, p'_{2}, p_{1})\right],$$

where the two terms in the last factor correspond to direct and exchange contributions. In Eq. (12) p'_1 and p'_2 (p_1 and p_2) are the three-momenta of the on-shell particles (holes) taking part in the process and $E_p = \sqrt{p^2 + m_N^2}$. one needs the space components of the two-body MEC. As is well-known there are three of them, namely the pion-in-flight

$$\boldsymbol{J}_{f}^{\mu}(p_{1}',p_{1},p_{2}',p_{2}) = -i\frac{1}{V^{2}}\frac{f_{\pi NN}^{2}f_{\gamma\pi\pi}}{\mu_{\pi}^{2}}(\boldsymbol{\tau}^{(1)}\times\boldsymbol{\tau}^{(2)})_{3}\Pi(k_{1})_{(1)}\Pi(k_{2})_{(2)}(k_{2}-k_{1})^{\mu}, \quad (13a)$$

the seagull

$$\boldsymbol{J}_{s}^{\mu}(p_{1}',p_{1},p_{2}',p_{2}) = -i\frac{1}{V^{2}}\frac{f_{\pi NN}f_{\gamma\pi NN}}{\mu_{\pi}^{2}}(\boldsymbol{\tau}^{(1)}\times\boldsymbol{\tau}^{(2)})_{3}\left[\Pi(k_{2})_{(2)}(\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5})_{(1)} - \Pi(k_{1})_{(1)}(\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5})_{(2)}\right]$$
(13b)

and the Δ current (derived here using the Peccei Lagrangian)

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\Delta}^{\mu}(p_{1}',p_{1},p_{2}',p_{2}) &= -\frac{1}{V^{2}} \frac{f_{\pi NN} f_{\pi N\Delta} f_{\gamma N\Delta}}{2m_{N} \mu_{\pi}^{2}} \left\{ \left[\left(\frac{2}{3} \tau_{3}^{(2)} - \frac{i}{3} (\tau^{(1)} \times \tau^{(2)})_{3} \right) \left(j_{(a)}^{\mu}(p_{a},k_{2},q) \gamma_{5} \right)_{(1)} \right. \\ &+ \left(\frac{2}{3} \tau_{3}^{(2)} + \frac{i}{3} (\tau^{(1)} \times \tau^{(2)})_{3} \right) \left(\gamma_{5} j_{(b)}^{\mu}(p_{b},k_{2},q) \right)_{(1)} \right] \Pi(k_{2})_{(2)} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$(13c)$$

In the above $k_1 = p'_1 - p_1$ and $k_2 = p'_2 - p_2$ are the momenta of the pions entering into each of the 2p-2h MEC diagrams (the four-momentum carried by the virtual photon is then $q = -k_1 - k_2$) and μ_{π} is the pion mass.

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... and many of these are 7-dimensional integrals which must be done numerically







The relativistic transverse response function $R_T(q,\omega)$ at q = 550 MeV/c and q = 1140 MeV/c computed with various versions of the Δ propagator to illustrate the sensitivity to the latter: exact propagator (solid), static propagator (dashed) and constant propagator (dotted) (see text for the related definitions). In all instances $\bar{\epsilon}_2 = 70$ MeV and $k_F = 1.3$ fm⁻¹.

Two new efforts are in progress by the Sevilla-Granada-Torino-MIT collaboration (SuSA):

1.A new parametrization of the above MEC results has been obtained; this can be used in place of the full (computationally intensive) calculation2.A different technique is being followed to avoid performing the traces; this should provide an independent evaluation of the fully relativistic MEC







Just as for the electron scattering reactions in the QE and Δ regions, we **use the scaling functions determined above**, but now multiply by the corresponding **charge-changing neutrino reaction cross sections** for the Z protons and N neutrons in the nucleus.

For the QE region we have the elementary reactions

$$\begin{array}{c} \nu_{\mu} + n \rightarrow p + \mu^{-} \\ \hline \\ \nu_{\mu} + p \rightarrow n + \mu^{+} \end{array}$$

While in the Δ region we have

$$\begin{array}{l} \nu_{\mu} + p \rightarrow \Delta^{++} + \mu^{-} \\ \overline{\nu}_{\mu} + n \rightarrow \Delta^{+} + \mu^{-} \\ \overline{\nu}_{\mu} + p \rightarrow \Delta^{0} + \mu^{+} \\ \overline{\nu}_{\mu} + n \rightarrow \Delta^{-} + \mu^{+} \end{array}$$

... and so on.

Note that these reactions are **isovector** only, whereas electron scattering contains both isoscalar and isovector contributions (the transverse EM response is, in fact, predominantly isovector at high energy).

Thus, in going from electron scattering where the universal scaling function came from the L response (essentially 50% isoscalar and 50% isovector) to CC neutrino reactions we have had to invoke

Scaling of the 3rd Kind

where the isospin nature of the scaling functions is assumed to be universal.

The nuclear response function may be decomposed into a generalization of the familiar Rosenbluth expression from studies of electron scattering (see above):

$$R_{\chi} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{V}_{CC} R_{CC} + 2\hat{V}_{CL} R_{CL} + \hat{V}_{LL} R_{LL} + \hat{V}_{T} R_{T} \end{bmatrix} + \chi \begin{bmatrix} \hat{V}_{T'} R_{T'} \end{bmatrix}$$
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FIG. 1: Superscaling function vs. Ψ' at different q-fixed values and evaluated for the SuSA model with (SuSA) and without $(SuSA_{woPB})$ Pauli blocking.



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