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# Generators for the SIS/DIS region

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#### Introduction

- Generator comparison: run the different generators at different fixed energies for different targets and compare the ouputs
- Focus on charged current interactions
   Assume SIS/DIS region = W>1.7 GeV
   All interactions from muon neutrinos and anti-neutrinos
- Comparisons will be mainly multiplicities (charged hadrons, pions and neutral pions) and some kinematical variables (W, Q2, leading pion momentum)
- Also have a look at particle content for the "custom models" used by generators to model DIS interactions where PYTHIA cannot be used
- Start by describing how the generators treat the transition and DIS regions

#### Generators

# Generated event for the following 3 generators: >NEUT 5.3.4 >GENIE 2.10 (hA and hN) >NuWro11q CC DIS and RES modes only (+QE charm for GENIE)

When possible took information for GiBUU from O. Lalakulich and U. Mosel, AIP Conf.Proc. 1663 (2015) 040004 arxiv: 1303.6677v2

See dedicated talks on Friday for more details on the generators

#### SIS-DIS region in the generators

- Different models as a function of W
- Combination of resonances and DIS continuous parametrization
- > Use GRV98 + Bodek-Yang corrections for cross-sections of the DIS components



GENIE         1.7 GeV/c <sup>2</sup> 2.3 GeV/c <sup>2</sup> 3 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>						eV/c²	W
Resonances + DIS background ("AGKY model")		<b>DIS low V</b> ("AGKY mod	<b>v</b> el")	Linear transition to PYTHIA 6		PYTHIA 6	
		1.3 GeV/c <sup>2</sup> 1.6			GeV	″/c² ₩	
Ν	NuWro	RES		Linear transition	<b>DIS</b> (uses PYTHIA 6 fragmentation routines)		4

Invariant mass distribution  $v_{\mu}$  on Fe, E<sub>v</sub>=6.0 GeV



#### Charged hadron multiplicities

- Generators then convert the available W into particles First look at how many particles get created
- Multiplicities visible in the detector also depends on FSI.
   Start by checking generator output before FSI by looking at interactions on free nucleons
- Bubble chamber experiments measured charged hadron multiplicities in neutrino/anti-neutrino interactions on deuterium:
  - BEBC from B. JongeJans et al., Nuovo Cim. A 101, 435 (1989)
  - > Fermilab 15' from D. Zieminska et al., Phys. Rev. D 27, 47 (1983)

#### Settings

(similar to GENIE validation tools)

- Free neutron and proton for GENIE and NuWro CH without FSI for NEUT
- 0.5 GeV <  $E_{v}$  < 80 GeV
- Flux proportional to  $1/E_v$

#### Charged hadron multiplicities Neutrinos on proton

 Average charged hadron multiplicity observed to be a linear fonction of log(W<sup>2</sup>) in bubble chamber data (K. Kuzmin and V. Naumov argue for a quadratic function at low W in PRC 88, 065501 (2013))



All generators seem to underestimate both average and dispersion of the charged hadron multiplicities

#### Charged hadron multiplicities Neutrinos on neutron

#### Similar pattern for interaction of neutrinos on neutron:



#### Charged hadron multiplicities Anti-neutrinos on proton



#### Charged hadron multiplicities Anti-neutrinos on neutron



#### Tuning charged hadron multiplicities Tuning PYTHIA

Tuned PYTHIA parameters using expertise from members of the HERMES collaboration

Allows to properly reproduce average charged hadron multiplicities when tested in GENIE:



Also found some difficulties:

- Ispersion of the charged hadron multiplicities
- neutral hadron multiplicities
   "Further tuning is ongoing"

T. Katori, S. Mandalia arxiv: 1412.4301v3

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#### Tuning charged hadron multiplicities Reweighting approach

- Apply weights to event generated by NEUT to make them reproduce 2D distribution (W<sup>2</sup>, n<sub>ch</sub>) measured by bubble chamber experiments.
- By construction gives good agreement for both average multiplicities and the dispersion (but need to check effect on neutral hadrons)



Plan to use this reweighting approach to propagate uncertainties on charged hadron multiplicities to physics analyses

#### Comparisons for different targets and energies

Now moving to the comparisons on different targets at fixed energies:

- CH at 2 GeV (6 bound protons, 6 bound neutrons, 1 free proton)
- Ar at 2.5 GeV (18 bound protons, 22 bound neutrons, 0 free protons)
- H<sub>2</sub>O at 4 GeV (8 bound protons, 8 bound neutrons, 2 free protons)
- Fe at 6 GeV (26 bound protons, 30 bound neutrons, 0 free protons)
- 5 different comparisons for each:
- W distribution computed as  $W^2 = (P_v + P_{nuc} P_{\mu})^2$
- $Q^2$  distribution computed as  $Q^2 = (P_v P_\mu)^2$
- n<sub>ch</sub>: charged hadron multiplicities
- $\mathbf{n}_{\pi}$ : pion (charged + neutral) multiplicities
- $n_{\pi 0}$ : neutral pion multiplicities

## Except for the W distributions, a cut W>1.7 GeV is applied All plots are normalized by area

## W distributions CH, $E_v$ =2.0 GeV

#### **Neutrino**

#### Anti-neutrino



Main differences are presence or absence of certain resonances Won't affect comparisons at W>1.7 GeV

W distributions Ar,  $E_v$ =2.5 GeV

#### Neutrino Anti-neutrino Invariant mass Invariant mass $\times 10^{-3}$ $\times 10^{-3}$ # events # events 40 60 NEUT NuWro — NEUT GENIE 40 - NuWro - GENIE 20 20 2.5 1.5 1.5 2 2.5 2 W [GeV] W [GeV]

Same patter as CH at 2.0 GeV

## W distributions $H_2O$ , $E_v=4.0$ GeV



Additional difference is the discontinuity at W=2.0 GeV for NEUT

#### W distributions Fe, $E_v$ =6.0 GeV

#### <u>Neutrino</u>

#### Anti-neutrino



Peak for QE charm events scales differently with energy for GENIE and NEUT. Not seen in NuWro  $^{17}\,$ 

#### $Q^2$ distributions CH, E<sub>v</sub>=2.0 GeV



#### <u>Neutrino</u>





NEUT distributions peaked at lower Q<sup>2</sup>

 $Q^2$  distributions Ar, E<sub>v</sub>=2.5 GeV



#### <u>Neutrino</u>

#### Anti-neutrino



NEUT distributions still peaked at lower Q<sup>2,</sup> but get closer to the other generators.

## $Q^2$ distributions $H_2O$ , $E_v=4.0$ GeV



#### <u>Neutrino</u>

#### Anti-neutrino



All 3 generators peaked around the same  $Q^2$  value, but difference in spread

#### $Q^2$ distributions Fe, E<sub>v</sub>=6.0 GeV



#### <u>Neutrino</u>

#### Anti-neutrino



Similar to previous slide

#### **Charged hadron multiplicities** CH, E,=2.0 GeV W>1.7 GeV Anti-neutrino Neutrino Charged hadron multiplicities Charged hadron multiplicities 0.4 # events events 0.4 NEUT 0.3 NEUT # NuWro NuWro GENIE hA GENIE hA ..... GENIE hN GENIE hN 0.2 0.2 0.1 $0^{\iota}_{0}$ $0^{\text{L}}_{0}$ 5 10 15 5 10

GENIE predicts larger number of charged hadrons than other generators NuWro more strongly peaked at intermediate values

 $n_{ch}$ 

 $n_{ch}$ 

#### Charged hadron multiplicities Ar, $E_v$ =2.5 GeV





Relative agreement between NEUT and NuWro GENIE predicts more charged hadrons than others

## Charged hadron multiplicities $H_2O$ , $E_v=4.0$ GeV





Essentially the same pattern, with a bit more differences between NEUT and NuWro

#### Charged hadron multiplicities Fe, $E_v$ =6.0 GeV





## Pion multiplicities CH, $E_v$ =2.0 GeV





No big differences between the 2 GENIE FSI models NuWro predicts more pions than the other generators

#### Pion multiplicities Ar, $E_v$ =2.5 GeV





Similar pattern, difference between NEUT and NuWro slightly smaller

## Pion multiplicities $H_2O$ , $E_v=4.0$ GeV



#### <u>Neutrino</u>

#### Anti-neutrino



NEUT and NuWro get closer for neutrinos, GENIE and NEUT for anti-neutrinos

#### Pion multiplicities Fe, $E_v$ =6.0 GeV





The different distributions get closer for neutrino interactions Slightly larger multiplicities for NuWro for anti-neutrinos



NuWro predicts more  $\pi^0$ 



A bit more differences between NEUT and GENIE, especially for neutrinos NuWro still predicts more  $\pi^0$  than the others

## Neutral pion multiplicities $H_2O$ , $E_v=4.0$ GeV





NEUT becomes intermediate between GENIE and NuWro



NEUT continues to get closer to NuWro

#### Custom models for low W

- PYTHIA cannot be used at low W, so generators use their own model for this region
- Particle contents and kinematics are assigned differently, compare a few distributions:
  - Leading pion momentum
  - Fraction of ejected nucleons that are protons
  - > Relative fractions of the different kind of pions
- To be in a region where all 3 generators use their custom model, select 1.7 GeV< W < 2.0 GeV</li>
- Similar settings as for hadronization comparisons:
  - Free neutron and proton for GENIE and NuWro CH without FSI for NEUT
  - $0.5 \text{ GeV} < E_{v} < 80 \text{ GeV}$
  - Flux proportional to  $1/E_v$

#### Leading pion momemtum: neutrinos

For neutrino, leading pion is  $\pi^+$  with highest momentum.



Proton target: NuWro predicts lower momentum, relative agreement between GENIE and NEUT.

Neutron target: good agreement between NuWro and NEUT, larger momentum spread for  $3^{-5}$  GENIE

#### Leading pion momemtum: anti-neutrinos

For neutrino, leading pion is  $\pi^{-}$  with highest momentum.



Similar patterns than for neutrino interactions, but inverted between proton and neutron targets

#### **Proton fraction: neutrinos**

When the outgoing baryon is a nucleon, fraction that are protons



#### Proton fraction: anti-neutrinos

When the outgoing baryon is a nucleon, fraction that are protons

Anti-neutrinos on proton

Anti-neutrinos on neutron



#### Pion fractions Neutrino on proton

Very similar for GENIE and NEUT More  $\pi^0$  for larger multiplicities in NuWro





#### Pion fractions Neutrino on neutrons





#### Pion fractions Anti-neutrino on proton





#### Pion fractions Anti-neutrino on neutron



