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FLUKA: generalities

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Interaction and Transport MonteCarlo code



The FLUKA hadronic models



Inelastic hN at high energies: DPM

Inelastic hadron-nucleon interactions at high energies (> $\approx 5 GeV/c$):

- Problem: "soft" interactions \rightarrow no perturbation theory.
- Solution : Interacting strings (quarks held together by the gluon-gluon interaction into the form of a string)
- \bullet Each colliding hadron splits into two colored partons \rightarrow combination into two color neutral chains

Hadronization: not exactly a part of DPM, but DPM is factorized so that it can admit any suitable hadronization scheme (hard processes, $e^+e^-...$)

• Hadronization properties assumed to be independent of the physical process originating the chain (chain universality)

Glauber



Examples





CNGS-oriented work on chain hadronization: fragmentation functions, threshold effects, transverse momentum. Global optimization on 16-450 h-N and h-A data

$$\begin{array}{l} \pi^+ \mbox{ and } K^+ \\ d^2N \,/\, (dp/p \, d\Omega) \\ \mbox{100 mm Be target,} \\ \theta \leq 0.2 \mbox{ mrad} \\ \mbox{SPY } (P \leq 135 \mbox{ GeV/c, } \bullet) \\ \mbox{ and Atherton et al. } (P \geq 67.5 \mbox{ GeV/c, }) \\ \mbox{ compared with } FLUKA \mbox{ and } GEANT-FLUKA \\ \end{array}$$

WANF and NOMAD



NOMAD, NIM A 515 (2003) 800 FLUKA + NUBEAM + corrections Neutrino energy spectra (left) for the data (points) and the Monte Carlo (histogram) for u_{μ} CC, $\overline{
u}_{\mu}$ CC and $\overline{
u}_e$ CC interactions and their corresponding ratios (right) in NOMAD



CNGS simulations:



http://www.mi.infn.it/psala/lcarus/cngs.html

Cosmic Ray Showers

Motivation: Atmospheric neutrino fluxes (Astr.Phys. 12, 315 (2000); 19, 269 (2003)) Benchmarks and Applications: Muon and hadron fluxes, Aircraft exposure

Ingredients

- Primary ray spectrum and composition, solar modulation
- Atmosphere description (3 Dimensional)
- Particle transport and decay (3-D, μ and ν polarization included)
- Hadronic interactions
- Geomagnetic effects

Nucleus-Nucleus interactions are treated by the DPMJET code interfaced to $\ensuremath{\mathrm{FLUKA}}$

3D effects in ν angular distributions



Hadron/muon fluxes in the atmosphere: μ^-

Negative muon flux measured by Caprice94 (PRD62 (2000) 032007; PRL83 (1999) 4241) for various momentum bins (GeV/c) as a function of the atmospheric depth (black symbols) compared with FLUKA simulations (blue symbols) (Astropart. Phys. 17 477 (2002))



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Positive muon flux measured by Caprice94 (PRD62 (2000) 032007; PRL83 (1999) 4241) for various momentum bins (GeV/c) as a function of the atmospheric depth (black symbols) compared with FLUKA simulations (blue symbols) (Astropart. Phys. 17 477 (2002))



Hadron/muon fluxes in the atmosphere:





Radiation Field at Aircraft altitudes: (Rad.Prot.Dosim.98 (2002) 367)

The FLUKA nuclear module



(Generalized) IntraNuclear Cascade basic assumptions

- 1. Primary and secondary particles moving in the nuclear medium
- 2. Target nucleons motion and nuclear well according to the Fermi gas model
- 3. Interaction probability from σ_{free} + Fermi motion $\times \rho(r)$ + exceptions (ex. π)
- 4. Glauber cascade at high energies
- 5. Classical trajectories (+) nuclear mean potential (resonant for π 's!!)
- 6. Curvature from nuclear potential \rightarrow refraction and reflection.
- 7. Interactions are incoherent and uncorrelated
- 8. Interactions in projectile-target nucleon CMS \rightarrow Lorentz boosts
- **9.** Multibody absorption for π, μ^-, K^-
- 10. Quantum effects (Pauli blocking, Formation zone, antisymmetrization, Nucleon-nucleon hard-core correlations, Coherence lengt)
- 11. Exact conservation of energy, momenta and all additive quantum numbers, including nuclear recoil







Au,Bi

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PEANUT, Au + Bi

Nakai et. al, Au

Ashery et. al, Bi

Proton decay



Simulation of nucleon decay is highly sensitive to the nuclear model Reconstructed invariant mass: no recoils, no low energy hadrons (Figure: proton decay in Ar nuclei, ICARUS experiment)

Neutrino Interactions



Peanut extension

In the last FLUKA release: PEANUT extended up to 5 GeV/c for nucleons/pions Before : OLD "Nucriv" nuclear event generator 3.5-5 GeV/c See the difference in plot: TOP: FLUKA 2005.6 Bottom: FLUKA2003.4

However: too low π^- yield a 4-5 GeV Small dicontinuity in π production Work is in progress to extend PEANUT to the whole energy range and to have a consistent description of quasi-elastic interactions







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Charged particle transport

- δ -ray production. Below δ threshold: Ionization energy losses with fluctuations
- Ionization fluctuations: new general approach based on the cumulants of a distribution
- Ionization potential and density effect parameters: latest recommended values, can be overridden by user
- Heavy ions:
 - Effective charge with fluctuations
 - Charge exchange effets (dominant at low energies, ad-hoc FLUKA model)
- Positron dE/dx: radiation integral scaled according to Kim et al., differential cross sections fitted to numerical results of Feng et al.
- Multiple Coulomb scattering: path length correction, lateral displacement, angle correlation, soft approach to boundaries, screening and spin-relativistic corrections, fully coupled to magnetic field transport
- Single scattering at boundaries and when Molière theory conditions are not satisfied. Also systematic if requested

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Ionization Energy losses

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Particle ID in ICARUS

 e/π^0 discrimination based on dE/dx in the first \approx 2.5 cm of track: < $3\%\pi^0$ with 90% efficiency on e at 1 GeV, improving with energy due to decreasing contribution of Compton scattering



Charged hadrons and muons experience also other atomic processes (important at very high energy, above several tens of GeV):

- Bremsstrahlung: implemented in FLUKA including the effect of nuclear form factors which are critical for "heavy" bremsstrahlung for all charged hadrons and muons
- Direct e^+/e^- pair production: implemented in FLUKA for all charged hadrons and muons

photonuclear interactions mediated by virtual photons are also important for high energy muon propagation and they are implemented making use of the standard $\rm FLUKA$ nuclear models



300 GeV μ in ATLAS combined calo

300 GeV μ comparison between calculated and experimental spectra in the ATLAS tile calorimeter prototype, ionization peak (left) and $\Delta E/E > 0.01$ (right). Absolute calibration.

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Neutrons from muons underground (PRD64 (2001) 013012)

