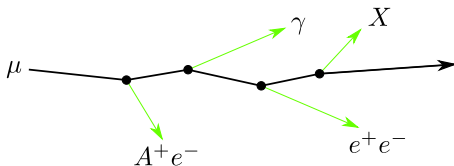




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PROPOSAL

- ▶ Monte Carlo tool for charged lepton propagation through media.
- ▶ Used in the simulation chain of IceCube
- ▶ **PR**opagator with **O**ptimal **P**recision and **O**ptimized **S**peed for **A**ll **L**eptons
 - ▶ Calculate energy losses
 - ▶ Passes interaction points and decay products to further simulation programs



Energy cuts

- ▶ Distinguish between **continuous** and **stochastic** energy losses
- ▶ Cut between continuous and stochastic loss:

$$\text{cut} = \min(e_{\text{cut}}, v_{\text{cut}} \cdot E), \quad v := \text{relative energy loss}$$

- ▶ Set energy cuts before, inside and behind the detector

Energy cuts in IceCube

- ▶ before: $v_{\text{cut}} = 0.05$
- ▶ inside: $e_{\text{cut}} = 500 \text{ MeV}$
- ▶ behind: $v_{\text{cut}} = v_{\text{max}}$

Continuous loss

Describes energy loss in the range
 $v \in [v_{\min}, v_{\text{cut}}]$

$$\begin{aligned} f(E) &:= \sum_{\text{processes}} \frac{dE_{\sigma}}{dx} \\ &= E \cdot \sum_{\text{process}} \sum_{\substack{\text{atom} \\ \text{in medium}}} \frac{N_i}{A_i} \int_{v_{\min}}^{v_{\text{cut}}} v \frac{d\sigma}{dv} dv \end{aligned}$$

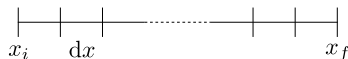
Stochastic loss

Described by the interaction probability
 $v \in [v_{\text{cut}}, v_{\text{max}}]$

$$dP(E) = \sigma(E) dx$$

$$\sigma(E) = \sum_{\text{processes}} \sum_{\substack{\text{atom} \\ \text{in medium}}} \frac{N_i}{A_i} \int_{v_{\text{cut}}}^{v_{\text{max}}} \frac{d\sigma}{dv} dv$$

Determine the occurrence of a stochastic loss



Probability to have
no stochastic loss in
(x_i, x_f), but at x_f
within dx :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (1 - dP(E(x_i))) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 - dP(E(x_{f-1}))) \cdot dP(E(x_f)) \\ \approx \exp(-dP(E(x_i))) \cdot \dots \cdot \exp(-dP(E(x_{f-1}))) dP(E(x_f)) \\ \approx \exp \left[- \int_{P(E(x_i))}^{P(E(x_f))} dP(E(x)) \right] \cdot dP(E(x_f)) \\ = d \left[- \exp \left(- \int_{E_i}^{E_f} \frac{\sigma(E)}{-f(E)} dE \right) \right] =: d(-\xi) \in (0, 1] \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Sample } E_f \text{ from } \int_{E_i}^{E_f} \frac{\sigma(E)}{-f(E)} dE = -\ln(\xi)$$

Advance the particle according to E_f

- Calculating the displacement

$$x_f = x_i - \int_{E_i}^{E_f} \frac{dE}{f(E)}$$

- the elapsed time

$$t_f = t_i - \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \frac{dx}{v(x)} = t_i - \int_{E_i}^{E_f} \frac{dE}{f(E)v(E)}$$

- and the deviation from the shower axis (multiple scattering)

$$u_{x,y} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \xi_{x,y}^{(1)} + \xi_{x,y}^{(2)} \right), \quad \xi_{x,y}^{(1,2)} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \theta_0^2)$$

Calculate the stochastic loss

- Calculate the interaction probability for each process

$$\sigma_i = \sum_{\substack{\text{atom} \\ \text{in medium}}} \frac{N_i}{A_i} \int_{v_{\text{cut}}}^{v_{\text{max}}} \frac{d\sigma}{dv} dv$$

- Calculate the amount of stochastic loss for each atom in the medium

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \int_{v_{\text{cut}}}^{v(\xi)} \frac{d\sigma}{dv} dv = \xi$$

$$E_{\text{stochastic loss}} = v(\xi) \cdot E_{\text{particle}}$$

- Choose the Component, at which the energy loss takes place

Summary of the algorithm

Basic loop

Do:

Calculate the energy until a stochastic loss



Advance the particle according to E_f



Calculate the amount of the stochastic loss

Until: The particle decays

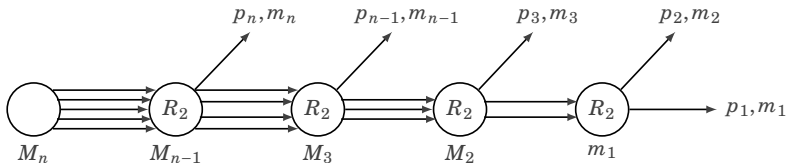
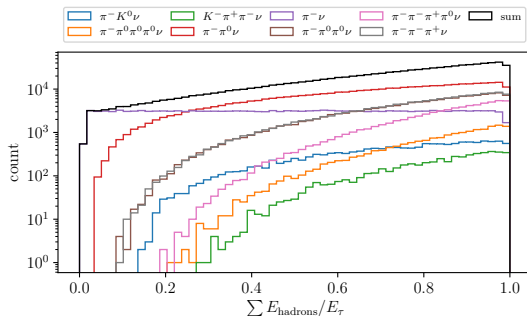
Hadronic Decay

- Calculate N -body decay phase space
- Not consider the matrix element

$$\Gamma = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{2M} \underbrace{\int \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 p_i}{2E_i} \delta^4 \left(p - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \right)}_{N\text{-body phase space}} \overbrace{|\langle M(\mathbf{p}_i) \rangle|^2}^{\text{set to 1}}$$

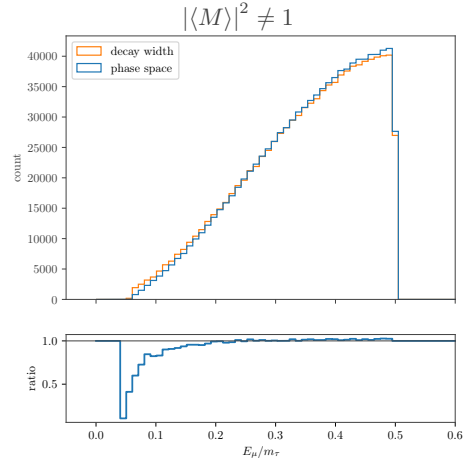
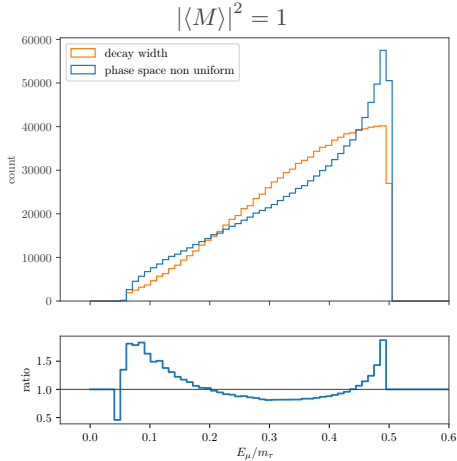
Raubold-Lynch algorithm

- Iterative integration over intermediate two-body phase spaces
- Exact calculable



Effects of constant Matrix Element

Leptonic decay: known decay width and known matrix element



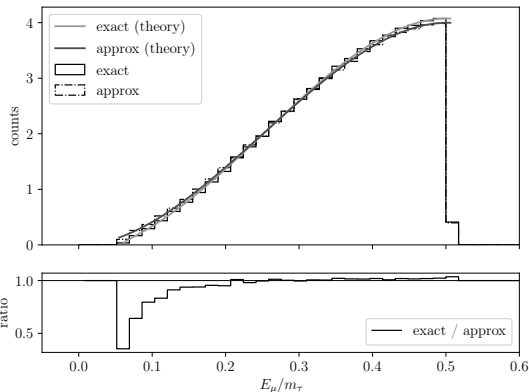
Leptonic Decay

- Muon decay and electronic tau decay ($m_l^2/M^2 \approx 0$)

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dx} = \frac{G_F^2 M^5}{192\pi^3} (3 - 2x)x^2, \quad x = \frac{E_l}{E_{\max}}$$

- muonic tau decay ($m_\mu/m_\tau \approx 1/17$)

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dx} = \frac{G_F^2}{12\pi^3} E_{\max} \sqrt{E_l^2 - m_l^2} [ME_l(3M - 4E_l) + m_l^2]$$



Outlook: matrix elements for hadronic modes (was not necessary for IceCube, only requiring a smooth spectrum)

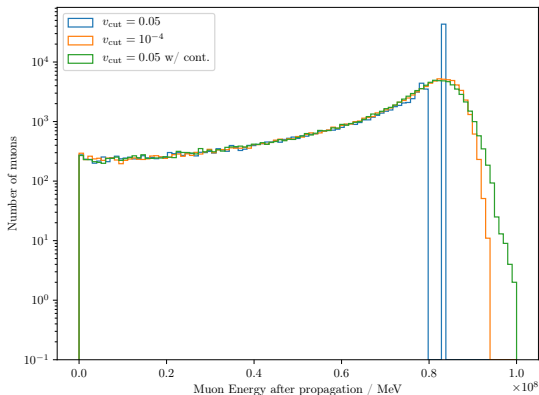
Propagation Improvements

- ▶ Continuous Randomization
- ▶ Multiple parametrizations for cross sections
- ▶ Multiple parametrizations for multiple scattering
- ▶ Interpolation tables
- ▶ Further parameter for the trade-off between performance and precision

Continuous Randomization of the E_f

- ▶ lower energy cut means higher precision, but more calculation time and secondaries to deal with
- ▶ higher energy cut results in less precision and artifacts in final muon energy spectrum
- ▶ muons without a stochastic loss are all treated the same

⇒ continuous randomization of the muon energy till next stochastic loss



$$\langle(\Delta(\Delta E))\rangle \approx \int_{e_0}^{e_{\text{cut}}} \frac{dE}{-f(E)} \left(\int_0^{e_{\text{cut}}} e^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dv} dv \right)$$

cross section parametrizations

Bremsstrahlung

Parametrizations

- ▶ KelnerKokoulinPetrukhin
- ▶ AndreevBezrukovBugaev
- ▶ PetrukhinShestakov
- ▶ CompleteScreening
- ▶ SandrockSoedingreksoRhode

also consider LPM and TM Effect

e^+e^- Pair Production

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and LPM Effect

Nuclear inelastic Interaction

- ▶ real photon assumption
 - ▶ Kokoulin
 - ▶ Rhode
 - ▶ BezrukovBugaev
 - ▶ Zeus

with hard and soft component

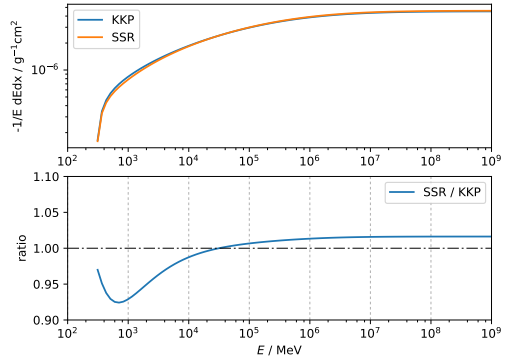
- ▶ Regge Theory
 - ▶ AbramowiczLevinLevyMaor91
 - ▶ AbramowiczLevinLevyMaor97
 - ▶ ButkevichMikheyev
 - ▶ RenoSarcevicSu

with shadowing

- ▶ ButkevichMikheyev
- ▶ DuttaRenoSarcevicSeckel

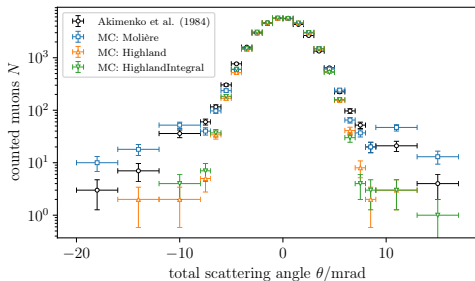
New Cross Sections

- ▶ improved tree-level cross sections based on current standard parametrizations for bremsstrahlung and pair production
- ▶ radiative corrections for bremsstrahlung
- ▶ corrections of several percent
- ▶ current used parametrizations are still the default



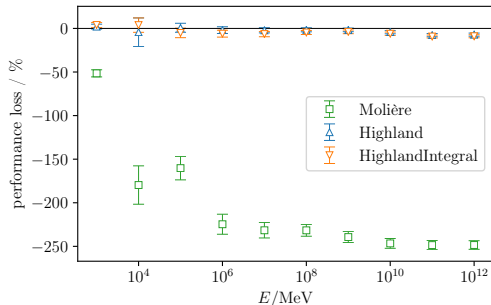
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Desiderata

- ▶ Density currently part of medium
 - ▶ each medium has its own interpolation tables
 - ▶ Maximilian currently investigates how large the non-linear effects of the density are (interpolation)
- ▶ Magnetic field deflection
 - ▶ We have basically worked out how to implement this
 - ▶ Jean-Marco will take care of that
- ▶ Propagation of electrons/positrons
 - ▶ Was taken care of in IceCube by other MC
 - ▶ Some processes need to be added (Annihilation; Bhabha and Møller scattering compared to μe scattering)
- ▶ Propagation of photons
 - ▶ in principle similar to propagation of charged particles, but without continuous losses
 - ▶ Jan and Alexander have discussed how to do this and will take care of it