

Effects of neutrino electromagnetic properties and spin state in elastic neutrino-nucleon scattering.



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Search for electromagnetic neutrino properties

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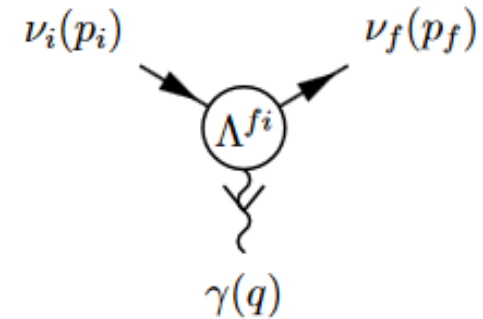
Neutrino electromagnetic properties open a window to the beyond-Standard-Model physics

- Already in SM, neutrinos have a *charge radius*
[Bernabeu et al, PRD (2000), PRL (2002), arXiv (2003)]
- Minimally extended SM predicts the neutrino's *magnetic moment*
[Fujikawa, Shrock, PRL (1980); Shrock, NPB (1982)]

$$\langle r_\nu^2 \rangle \sim 10^{-32} \text{cm}^2$$

$$\mu_\nu = 3,2 \times 10^{-19} \left(\frac{m_\nu}{1 \text{ eV}} \right) \mu_B$$

- Neutrinos may also have other electromagnetic properties:
millicharge, electric and anapole moments



$$(\Lambda_\mu(q))_{jk} = \left(\gamma_\mu - \frac{q_\mu \not{q}}{q^2} \right) [(f_Q(q^2))_{jk} + \gamma_5 (f_A(q^2))_{jk} q^2] - i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu (f_M(q^2))_{jk} + \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu \gamma_5 (f_E(q^2))_{jk}$$

$$f_Q^{jk}(0) = e_{jk}, \quad f_M^{jk}(0) = \mu_{jk}, \quad f_E^{jk}(0) = \epsilon_{jk}, \quad f_A^{jk}(0) = a_{jk} \quad \langle r_\nu^2 \rangle = 6 \left. \frac{df_Q(q^2)}{dq^2} \right|_{q^2=0}$$

millicharge

magnetic dipole moment

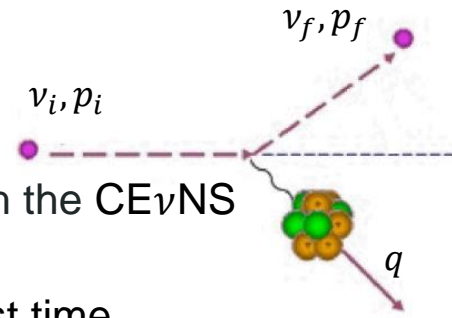
electric dipole moment

anapole moment

charge radius

Coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering

CE ν NS



Electromagnetic properties of neutrinos can be probed experimentally with the CE ν NS

- In 2017 COHERENT collaboration observed CE ν NS process for the first time
- Data of COHERENT and Dresden-II experiments have been already used to obtain limits for neutrino's millicharge, charge radius and magnetic moment

Charge radii (10^{-32}cm^2)

	Fixed R_n			Free R_n		
	1σ	2σ	3σ	1σ	2σ	3σ
CsI + Ar						
$\langle r_{\nu_{ee}}^2 \rangle$	$-56 \div -2$	$-68 \div 11$	$-78 \div 22$	$-55 \div -4$	$-67 \div 14$	$-77 \div 25$
$\langle r_{\nu_{\mu\mu}}^2 \rangle$	$-64 \div 6$	$-68 \div 12$	$-71 \div 17$	$-64 \div 9$	$-67 \div 15$	$-71 \div 19$
$\langle r_{\nu_{e\mu}}^2 \rangle$	<27	<33	<36	<25	<32	<36
$\langle r_{\nu_{e\tau}}^2 \rangle$	<27	<40	<50	<26	<40	<50
$\langle r_{\nu_{\mu\tau}}^2 \rangle$	<36	<40	<44	<36	<40	<44

Magnetic moments ($10^{-10} \mu_B$)

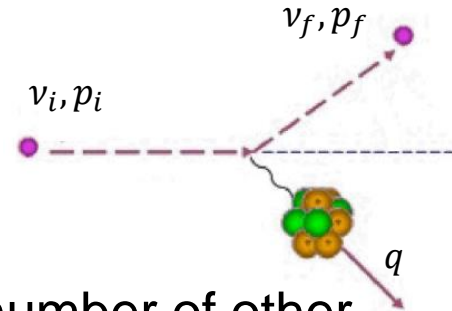
	Fixed R_n			Free R_n		
	1σ	2σ	3σ	1σ	2σ	3σ
CsI + Ar						
$ \mu_{\nu_e} $	<27	<44	<56	<33	<48	<60
$ \mu_{\nu_\mu} $	$5 \div 27$	<34	<41	$12 \div 31$	<37	<43

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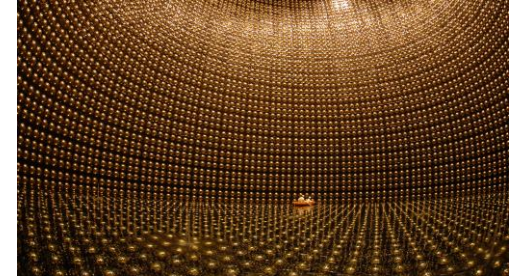
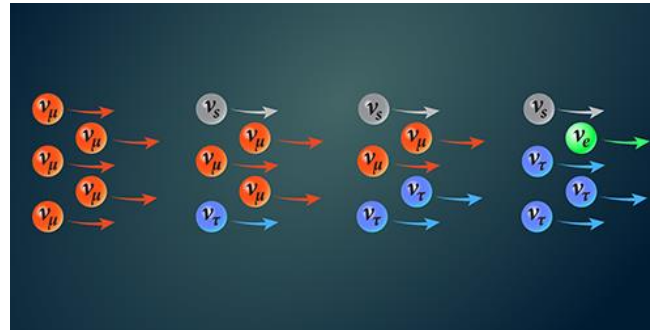
Coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering

CE ν NS



- In addition to COHERENT and Dresden-II there is a number of other CE ν NS experiments:
vGEN, CONUS, CONNIE, NU-CLEUS, MINER, RED-100, CEVENS, Ricochet, TEXONO, ,...
- In order to investigate neutrino electromagnetic properties in CE ν NS experiments we need a theoretical apparatus, which takes into account ALL form factors of the neutrino and nucleus
- A proton is the simplest nuclear target. Moreover, elastic neutrino-proton scattering is a promising tool for detecting supernova neutrinos (JUNO yellow book arXiv:1507.05613) **Therefore in current investigation we focus on neutrino-nucleon scattering**

Astrophysical neutrino's state in the detector on Earth



✓ source

✓ oscillation

✓ detector

Due to interaction of the neutrino magnetic moment with a magnetic field in the astrophysical source and/or with interstellar/intergalactic one the spin-flavor neutrino oscillations arise

Therefore in the most general case the neutrino state in the detector before scattering on a nucleon is described by the spin-flavor density matrix (written in the mass basis)

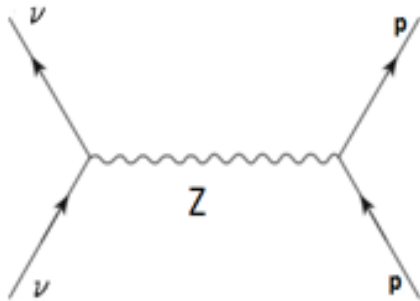
$$\rho_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \not{k} \left(\tilde{\rho}_{ij} - \zeta_{ij}^{\parallel} \gamma_5 + (\zeta_{ij}^{\perp} \cdot \gamma_{\perp}) \gamma_5 \right)$$

$\tilde{\rho}_{ij}$ is a reduced density matrix in the neutrino mass space

ζ_{ij} form the matrix of spin polarizations of the neutrino in its rest frame

Neutrino-nucleon scattering

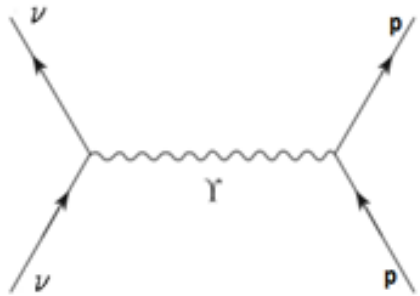
The matrix element of the process with account for all the neutrino and nucleon form factors:



$$= -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}_{k',r'}^{(\nu_n)} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma^5) \delta^{ni} u_{k,r}^{(\nu_i)} \bar{u}_{p',s'}^{(N)} \Lambda_\mu^{(NC;N)}(-q) u_{p,s}^{(N)}$$

Nucleon
neutral
weak vertex

+



$$= \frac{4\pi\alpha}{q^2} \bar{u}_{k',r'}^{(\nu_n)} \Lambda_\mu^{(EM;\nu)ni}(q) u_{k,r}^{(\nu_i)} \bar{u}_{p',s'}^{(N)} \Lambda_\mu^{(NC;N)}(-q) u_{p,s}^{(N)}$$

Neutrino
electromagnetic
vertex

Nucleon
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Neutrino vertex and form factors

Neutrino electromagnetic vertex:

$$\Lambda_{\mu}^{(\text{EM};\nu)fi}(q) = (\gamma_{\mu} - q_{\mu}\not{q}/q^2)[f_Q^{fi}(q^2) + f_A^{fi}(q^2)q^2\gamma_5] - i\sigma_{\mu\nu}q^{\nu}[f_M^{fi}(q^2) + if_E^{fi}(q^2)\gamma_5]$$

$$f_Q^{jk}(0) = e_{jk}, \quad f_M^{jk}(0) = \mu_{jk}, \quad f_E^{jk}(0) = \epsilon_{jk}, \quad f_A^{jk}(0) = a_{jk} \quad \langle r_{\nu}^2 \rangle = 6 \frac{df_Q(q^2)}{dq^2} \Big|_{q^2=0}$$

millicharge electric dipole moment anapole moment charge radius

Nucleon vertexes and form factors

Nucleon electromagnetic vertex:

$$\Lambda_{\mu}^{(\text{EM};N)}(q) = \underbrace{\gamma_{\mu} F_Q(q^2)}_{\text{Charge}} - \frac{i}{2m_N} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^{\nu} \underbrace{F_M(q^2)}_{\text{Magnetic}} + \frac{1}{2m_N} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^{\nu} \underbrace{\gamma_5 F_E(q^2)}_{\text{Electric}} - (q^2 \gamma_{\mu} - q_{\mu} \not{q}) \underbrace{\gamma_5 \frac{F_A(q^2)}{(2m_N)^2}}_{\text{Anapole}}$$

Nucleon neutral weak vertex:

$$\Lambda_{\mu}^{(\text{NC};N)}(q) = \underbrace{\gamma_{\mu} F_1(q^2)}_{\text{Dirac}} - \frac{i}{2m_N} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^{\nu} \underbrace{F_2(q^2)}_{\text{Pauli}} - \underbrace{\gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 G_A(q^2)}_{\text{Axial}} + \frac{1}{2m_N} \underbrace{G_P(q^2) q^{\mu} \gamma_5}_{\text{Pseudoscalar}}$$

We omit terms containing the pseudoscalar form factor in the cross section due to a small neutrino mass

The cross section

The full cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma^L}{d\Omega} + \frac{d\sigma^R}{d\Omega} + \frac{d\sigma^\perp}{d\Omega} \qquad \frac{d\sigma^K}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma_{\text{hp}}^K}{d\Omega} + \frac{d\sigma_{\text{hf}}^K}{d\Omega}, \quad K = \{L, R\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{hp}}^K}{d\Omega} = & \frac{G_F^2 t^2 (s - m_N^2)}{16\pi^2 m_N^2 (s + m_N^2)} \left(1 - \frac{4m_N^2}{t}\right)^{3/2} \left[2 \left(1 + \frac{st}{(s - m_N^2)^2}\right) \left(C_V^K + C_A^K - \frac{t}{4m_N^2} (C_M^K + C_E^K)\right) - \right. \\ & - \frac{4m_N^2 t}{(s - m_N^2)^2} \left(C_A^K - \frac{t}{4m_N^2} C_M^K\right) + \frac{t^2}{(s - m_N^2)^2} (C_V^K + C_A^K - 2\text{Re} C_{V\&M}^K) \pm \\ & \left. \pm \frac{2t}{s - m_N^2} \left(2 + \frac{t}{s - m_N^2}\right) \text{Re} (C_{V\&A}^K - C_{A\&M}^K) \right], \end{aligned}$$

The effects of form factors and oscillations are contained in the following coefficients:

$$\begin{aligned} C_V^K &= \text{Tr} \left[(-F_1^N \delta_L^K + F_Q^N Q^K)^2 \rho^K \right], \quad C_A^K = \text{Tr} \left[\left(\delta_L^K G_A^N - \frac{t F_A^N Q^K}{m_N^2} \right)^2 \rho^K \right], \\ C_{V\&A}^K &= \text{Tr} \left[\left(\delta_L^K G_A^N - \frac{t F_A^N Q^K}{m_N^2} \right) (-F_1^N \delta_L^K + F_Q^N Q^K) \rho^K \right], \quad C_M^K = \text{Tr} \left[(\delta_L^K F_2^N - F_M^N Q^K)^2 \rho^K \right], \\ C_{V\&M}^K &= \text{Tr} \left[(\delta_L^K F_2^N - F_M^N Q^K) (-F_1^N \delta_L^K + F_Q^N Q^K) \rho^K \right], \quad C_E^K = \text{Tr} \left[(F_E Q^K)^2 \rho^K \right], \\ C_{A\&M}^K &= \text{Tr} \left[(\delta_L^K F_2^N - F_M^N Q^K) \left(\delta_L^K G_A^N - \frac{t F_A^N Q^K}{m_N^2} \right) \rho^K \right], \\ \rho^{L,R} &= \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{\rho} \mp \zeta^\parallel), \quad Q^{L,R} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha}{G_F t} (f^Q \mp t f^A) \end{aligned}$$

Neutrino-helicity-flipping cross section

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{hf}}^K}{d\Omega} = & \frac{\alpha^2 t^2 (s - m_N^2)}{8m_e^2 m_N^2 (s + m_N^2)} \left(1 - \frac{4m_N^2}{t}\right)^{3/2} |\mu_\nu^K|^2 \left[-\frac{2m_N}{t} \left(1 + \frac{t}{s - m_N^2}\right) (F_Q^N)^2 - \right. \\ & - \frac{2t}{m_N^3} \left(1 + \frac{st}{(s - m_N^2)^2}\right) (F_A^N)^2 + \frac{m_N t}{(s - m_N^2)^2} F_Q^N F_M^N + \frac{1}{8m_N} \left(4 + \frac{4st + t^2}{(s - m_N^2)^2}\right) (F_M^N)^2 + \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{8m_N} \left(2 + \frac{t}{s - m_N^2}\right)^2 (F_E^N)^2 \right], \end{aligned}$$

$$|\mu_\nu^{L,R}|^2 = \text{Tr} [(f^M \pm if^E) (f^M \mp if^E) \rho^{L,R}]$$

are effective left- and right-handed neutrino magnetic moments

The transverse neutrino polarization part of the cross section

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma^\perp}{d\Omega} = & \frac{\sqrt{2}G_F\alpha(s - m_N^2)(4m_N^2 - t)^{3/2}}{8\pi m_e m_N^2(s + m_N^2)} \sqrt{1 + \frac{st}{(s - m_N^2)^2}} \left\{ \frac{2t}{s - m_N^2} \frac{tF_A^N}{m_N^2} (F_Q^N + F_M^N) C_{++} \right. \\ & + \mu_\nu^\perp \left[\left(2 + \frac{t}{s - m_N^2} \right) \left(F_1^N F_Q^N + \frac{tF_A^N}{m_N^2} G_A^N - t \frac{F_2^N F_M^N}{4m_N^2} \right) - \frac{t}{s - m_N^2} \left(\frac{tF_A^N}{m_N^2} (F_1^N + F_2^N) + G_A^N (F_Q^N + F_M^N) \right) \right] - \\ & \left. - \left(2 + \frac{t}{s - m_N^2} \right) \left((F_Q^N)^2 + \left(\frac{tF_A^N}{m_N^2} \right)^2 - t \left(\frac{F_M^N}{2m_N} \right)^2 - t \left(\frac{F_E^N}{2m_N} \right)^2 \right) C_- \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$\mu_\nu^\perp = \text{Re Tr} \left[(f^M + if^E) \rho^\perp \right]$ is effective transverse neutrino magnetic moment

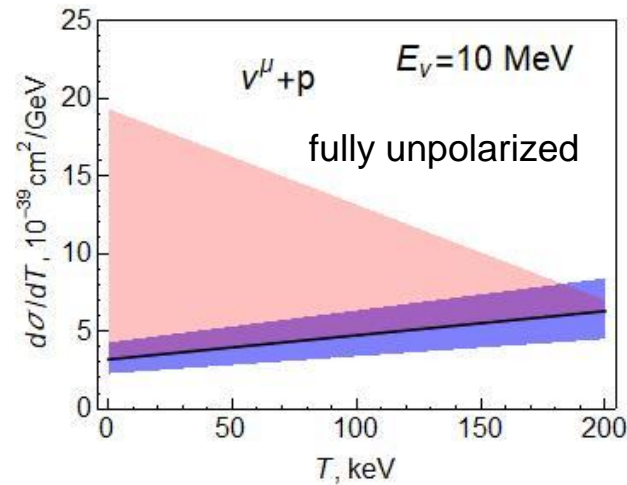
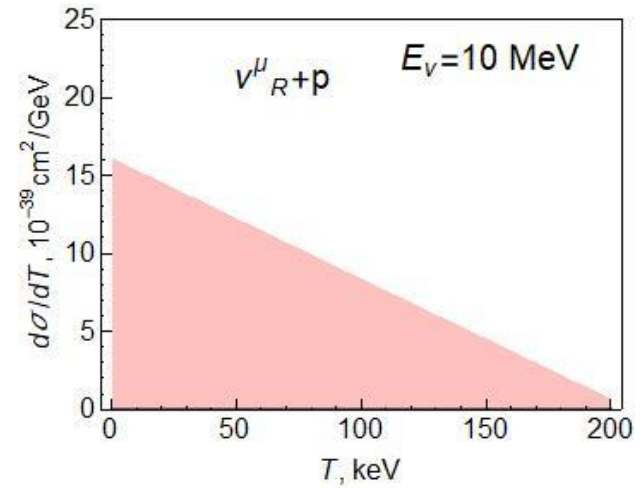
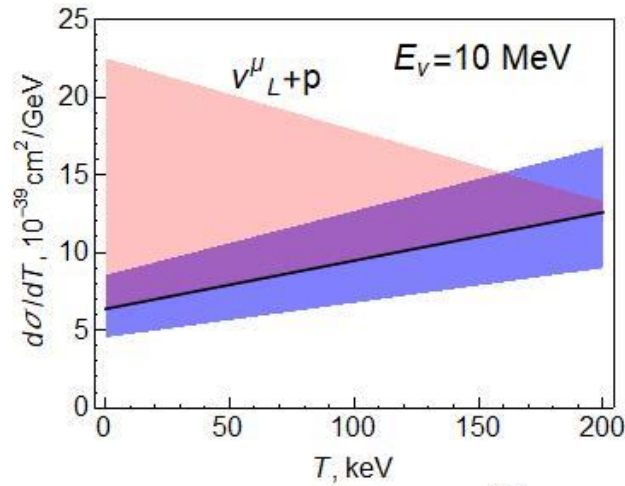
$$C_\pm = \text{Re Tr} \left[[Q^L (f^M + if^E) \pm (f^M + if^E) Q^R] \rho^\perp \right] \quad Q^{L,R} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha}{G_F t} (f^Q \mp tf^A)$$

$$\rho_{ij}^\perp = \frac{1}{2} |\zeta_{ij}^\perp| e^{-i(\chi_{ij} - \varphi)}$$

length of transverse neutrino polarization vector

angle between transverse neutrino polarization and transverse recoil momentum

Numerical results for the ν_μ scattering on a nucleon:
 The effect of the transition charge radii $\langle r_V^2 \rangle_{e\mu}$, $\langle r_V^2 \rangle_{e\tau}$, $\langle r_V^2 \rangle_{\mu\tau}$,

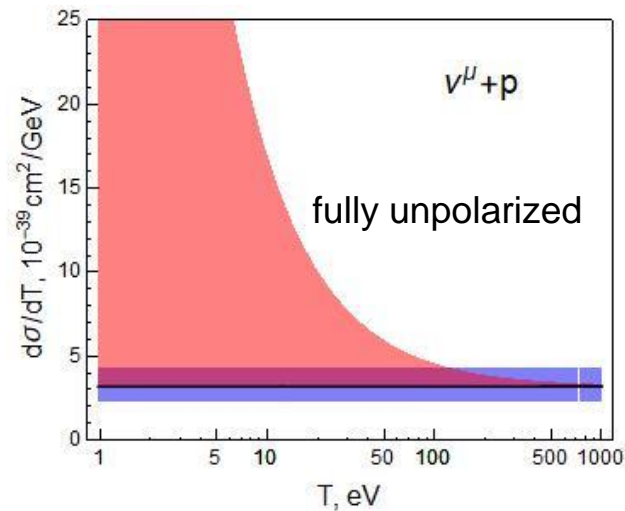
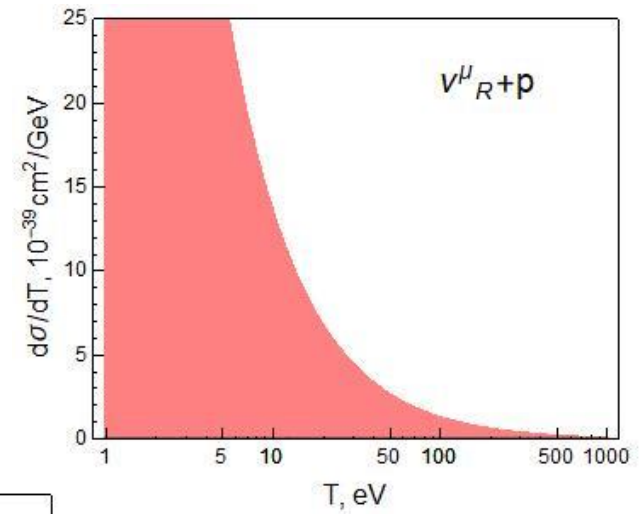
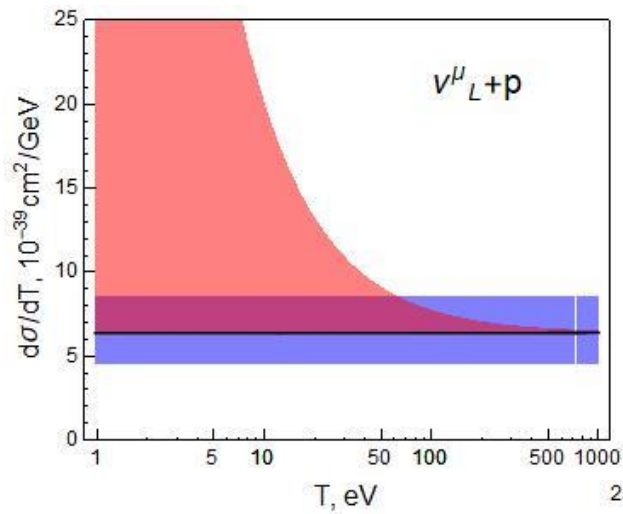


■ SM ■ Strange: $g_A^S \in [-0.2, +0.2]$

■ Transition charge radii $|\langle r^2 \rangle_{e\mu}|, |\langle r^2 \rangle_{e\tau}|, |\langle r^2 \rangle_{\mu\tau}| < 3 \times 10^{-31}$

The neutrino energy is typical for supernova neutrinos

Numerical results for the ν_μ scattering on a nucleon: The effect of the diagonal magnetic moment



■ Standard model ■ "Strange" contribution: $g_A^S \in [-0.2, +0.2]$

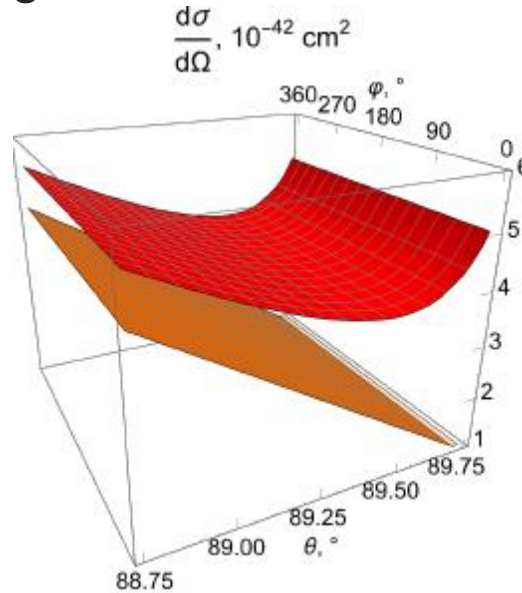
■ Neutrino magnetic moment:

$$\mu_{ee} < 1.5 \times 10^{-11} \mu_B, \mu_{\mu\mu} < 2.3 \times 10^{-11} \mu_B, \mu_{\tau\tau} < 2.1 \times 10^{-11} \mu_B$$

Numerical results for the ν_μ scattering on a nucleon:

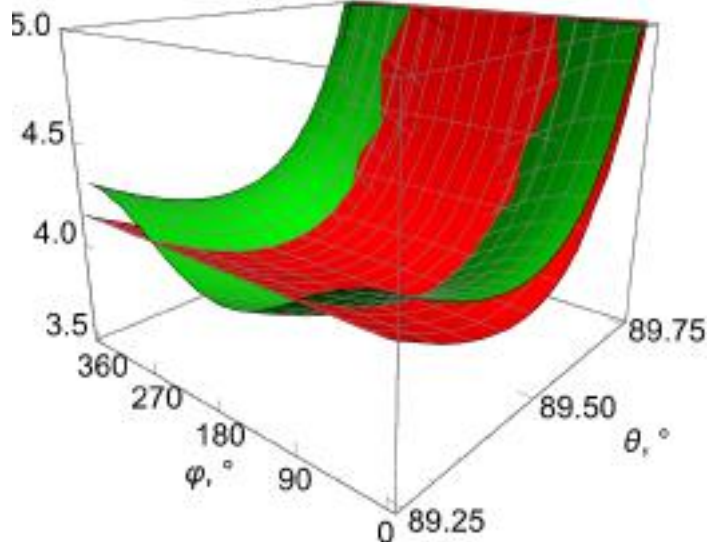
The effect of the diagonal magnetic moment and transverse neutrino polarization

Orange surface is fully unpolarized neutrino in the SM



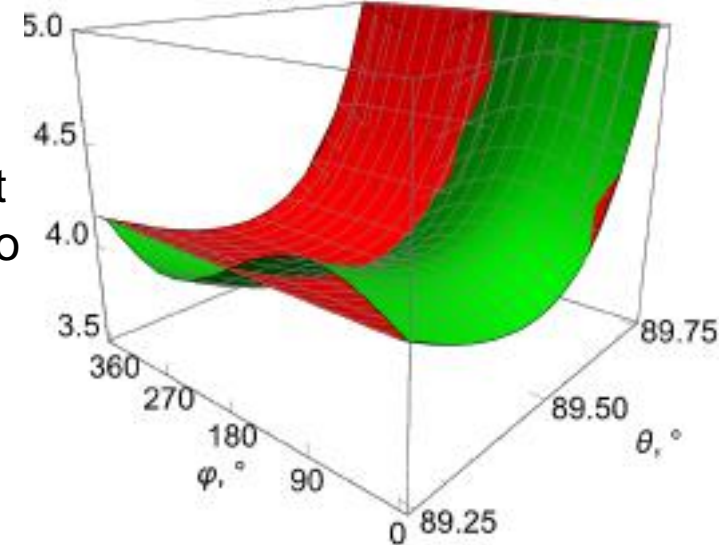
Red surfaces are fully unpolarized neutrino with magnetic moment

$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}, 10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2$



Green surfaces are transversely polarized (2 different orientations) neutrino with magnetic moment

$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}, 10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2$



Summary

- Theoretical study of the processes of elastic neutrino-nucleon scattering has been carried out taking into account the electromagnetic form factors of neutrinos and the form factors of a nucleon, as well as the effects of neutrino spin polarizations.
- General expressions have been obtained for the cross sections of elastic neutrino-nucleon scattering. Based on the obtained expressions, numerical calculations have been carried out for elastic neutrino-proton scattering taking into account the charge radii and magnetic moments of neutrinos, taking into account possible effects of supernova neutrino spin polarization. It is shown that the contribution from right-handed neutrinos can be at the same level or even greater than that from left-handed ones. Also there is and of the neutrino transverse spin polarization on the cross section differential with respect to the solid angle of the recoil proton.

Thank you for your attention!

Parametrization of nucleon form factors

For this purpose we use the Sachs form factors \longrightarrow

$$F_Q^N(q^2) = \frac{G_E^N(q^2) - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2} G_M^N(q^2)}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2}},$$

$$F_M^N(q^2) = \frac{G_M^N(q^2) - G_E^N(q^2)}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2}},$$

Parametrization of nucleon form factors (see [Papoulias D. K., Kosmas T. S. Advances in High Energy Physics 2016 \(2016\)](#) and references therein)

$$\frac{G_M^N}{\mu_N} = \frac{1 - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2} a_M^N}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2} b_{M1}^N + \left(\frac{q^2}{4m_N^2}\right)^2 b_{M2}^N - \left(\frac{q^2}{4m_N^2}\right)^3 b_{M3}^N},$$

$$G_E^p = \frac{1 - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2} a_E^p}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2} b_{E1}^p + \left(\frac{q^2}{4m_N^2}\right)^2 b_{E2}^p - \left(\frac{q^2}{4m_N^2}\right)^3 b_{E3}^p},$$

$$G_E^n = \frac{-\frac{q^2}{4m_N^2} \lambda_1}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2} \lambda_2} \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{M_V^2}\right)^{-2},$$

$$G_A^a = g_A \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{M_A^2}\right)^{-2}$$

$$m_N = 938 \text{ MeV}, \quad \mu_p = 2.793, \quad \mu_n = -1.913,$$

$$M_V = 843 \text{ MeV}, \quad g_A = 1.267, \quad M_A = 1049 \text{ MeV},$$

$$a_E^p = -0.19, \quad b_{E1}^p = 11.12, \quad b_{E2}^p = 15.16, \quad b_{E3}^p = 21.25,$$

$$a_M^p = 1.09, \quad b_{M1}^p = 12.31, \quad b_{M2}^p = 25.57, \quad b_{M3}^p = 30.61,$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1.68, \quad \lambda_2 = 3.63,$$

$$a_M^n = 8.28, \quad b_{M1}^n = 21.3, \quad b_{M2}^n = 77, \quad b_{M3}^n = 238.$$

Parametrization of the strange form factor (see [Butkevich A. V. Phys. Rev. D. 2023. 107, N 7. 073001](#))

$$F_1^S(q^2) = \frac{\frac{q^2}{6} \langle r_S^2 \rangle}{\left(1 - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2}\right)} \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{M_V^2}\right)^{-2}$$

$$F_2^S(q^2) = \frac{\mu_S}{\left(1 - \frac{q^2}{4m_N^2}\right)} \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{M_V^2}\right)^{-2}$$

$$F_A^S(q^2) = g_A^S \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{M_A^2}\right)^{-2}$$

$g_A^S \in [-0,2, 0,2]$, other «strange» parameters equal zero

Connection between neutral weak and electromagnetic form factors of nucleon

According to the hypothesis of vector current conservation, vector neutral weak form factors can be expressed via electromagnetic ones

$$F_{1,2}^p(q^2) = \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2 \sin^2 \theta_W\right) F_{Q,M}^p - 1 \frac{1}{2} F_{Q,M}^n - \frac{1}{2} F_{1,2}^S$$
$$F_{1,2}^n(q^2) = \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2 \sin^2 \theta_W\right) F_{Q,M}^n - 1 \frac{1}{2} F_{Q,M}^p - \frac{1}{2} F_{1,2}^S$$

$F_{1,2}^S$ – strange form factors of nucleon

Here we restrict ourselves only with charge and magnetic form factors in the electromagnetic vertex

In the axial case, one can also factorize an axial strange form factor

$$G_{A,P}^N(q^2) = \frac{\tau_3}{2} G_{A,P}^a(q^2) - \frac{1}{2} G_{A,P}^S(q^2)$$