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Here we provide all formulas with minimum comments (for details see *Notes to polarization studies: living document for internal use* by K. S. Kuzmin, V. A. Naumov, V. V. Lyubushkin, and I. D. Kakorin¹). This document is referred to below as **[PolarizationNotes]**.

1 General neutrino energy thresholds

he neutrino energy threshold of scattering on nucleus:

$$E_{\nu}^{\rm th} = \frac{s^{\rm th} - M_{\rm tar}^2}{2M_{\rm tar}} = \frac{(M_{\rm rnu} + m + M_f)^2 - M_{\rm tar}^2}{2M_{\rm tar}},\tag{1}$$

where E_{ν} , s^{th} , M_{tar} , M_{rnu} , M_f , and m are, respectively, the neutrino energy, minimal value of s-variable, mass of target nucleus, mass of remnant nucleus, mass of final nucleon, and final lepton mass.

As is explaned in [PolarizationNotes] energy threshold on bound nucleon,

$$E_{\nu}^{\rm th} = \frac{(M_f + m)^2 + p^2 - (E_{\mathbf{p}} - E_b)^2}{2(E_{\mathbf{p}} - E_b - p\cos\theta)}.$$
 (2)

The minimum of this expression occurs when $\cos \theta = -1$ and $\mathbf{p} = p_F$.

2 Minimal and maximal values of Q^2

he minimum and maximum of Q^2 -values for neutrino scattering on nucleus are given by:

$$Q_{\min}^{2} = 2E_{\nu}^{*} \left[E_{\ell}^{*}(W_{\min}) - P_{\ell}^{*}(W_{\min}) \right] - m^{2}$$

$$Q_{\max}^{2} = 2E_{\nu}^{*} \left[E_{\ell}^{*}(W_{\min}) + P_{\ell}^{*}(W_{\min}) \right] - m^{2},$$
(3)

where E_{ν}^{*} – neutrino energy in CMS:

$$E_{\nu}^{*} = \frac{s - M_{i}^{2}}{2\sqrt{s}}; \tag{4}$$

and $E^*_{\ell}(W)$, $P^*_{\ell}(W)$ – final lepton energy and momentum in CMS as function of invariant hadronic mass W:

$$E_{\ell}^* \equiv E_{\ell}^*(W) = \frac{s + m^2 - W^2}{2\sqrt{s}}, \quad P_{\ell}^*(W) = \sqrt{\left[E_{\ell}^*(W)\right]^2 - m^2}$$
(5)

The minimal value of hadronic mass W_{\min} at which E_{ℓ}^* and P_{ℓ}^* achieved their maximums is

$$W_{\min} = M_{\rm rnu} + M_f. \tag{6}$$

3 Minimal and maximal values of energy transfer

Minimal and maximal values of energy transfer ν for neutrino scattering on nucleus can be found from:

$$W^{2} = (p+q)^{2} = M_{\text{tar}}^{2} - Q^{2} + 2M_{\text{tar}}(E_{\nu} - E_{\ell}),$$

wherefrom

$$\nu(W) = \frac{W^2 + Q^2 - M_{\text{tar}}^2}{2M_{\text{tar}}}$$

Minimum of ν is achieved at the minimal invariant hadronic mass (6):

$$\nu_{\min} = \frac{(M_{\rm rnu} + M_f)^2 + Q^2 - M_{\rm tar}^2}{2M_{\rm tar}} \tag{7}$$

and maximum values of ν is achieved at maximal hadronic mass value:

$$W_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{s} - m.$$

However, the maximal energy transfer ν also can be found from only leptonic variables. Using definition of Q^2 one obtains following equality

$$Q^{2} = -q^{2} = -(p_{\nu} - p_{\ell})^{2} = -m^{2} + 2\left(E_{\ell}E_{\nu} - P_{\ell}P_{\nu}\cos\theta\right),$$

¹http://theor.jinr.ru/NeutrinoOscillations/Papers/PolarizationNotes.pdf

which has solution relative to variable E_{ℓ} is

$$E_{\ell}^{\pm} = E_{\ell}^{\pm}(Q^2, \theta) = \frac{Q^2 + m^2}{2E_{\nu}\sin^2\theta} \left[1 \pm \cos\theta \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{2mE_{\nu}\sin\theta}{Q^2 + m^2}\right)^2} \right].$$
 (8)

From Eq. (8) it can be found:

$$E_{\ell}^{-}(Q^2,0) = \frac{m^2 E_{\nu}}{Q^2 + m^2} + \frac{Q^2 + m^2}{4E_{\nu}},$$

which provides the minimum of $E_{\ell}^{-}(Q^2,\theta)$ as $\partial E_{\ell}^{-}(Q^2,\theta)/\partial \theta \big|_{\theta=0} = 0$ and $\partial^2 E_{\ell}^{-}(Q^2,\theta)/\partial \theta^2 \big|_{\theta=0} > 0$, and consequently:

$$\nu_{\max} = E_{\nu} - \left(\frac{m^2 E_{\nu}}{Q^2 + m^2} + \frac{Q^2 + m^2}{4E_{\nu}}\right).$$
(9)

It can be proved that the following inequalities always holds: $\nu_{\min} \leq \nu_{\max} \leq \nu(W_{\max})$, therefore ν_{\max} is used as upper limit of energy transfer.

The minimal and maximal values of energy transfer for bound nucleon can be found from

$$\nu = \frac{pq^*}{M_i^*},$$

where $p = (E_i - E_b, \mathbf{p}) = (\sqrt{M_i^2 + \mathbf{p}^2} - E_b, \mathbf{p})$ is the 4-momentum of initial bound nucleon, $q^* = (\nu^*, \mathbf{q}^*)$ is the four-momentum transfer to bound nucleon with effective mass $M_i^* = \sqrt{p^2} = \sqrt{(E_i - E_b)^2 - \mathbf{p}^2}$, $|\mathbf{q}^*| = \sqrt{Q^2 + \nu^{*2}}$, and

$$\nu^{*} = \frac{M_{f}^{2} + Q^{2} - M_{i}^{*2}}{2M_{i}^{*}}.$$

$$\nu = \frac{\nu^{*}(E_{i} - E_{b}) - \mathbf{q}^{*}\mathbf{p}}{M_{i}^{*}} = \frac{\nu^{*}(E_{i} - E_{b}) - |\mathbf{q}^{*}||\mathbf{p}|\cos\phi}{M_{i}^{*}},$$
(10)

where ϕ is the angle between **p** and **q**^{*}. The minimum and maximum of Eq. (10) are achieved at $|\mathbf{p}| \cos \phi = \pm p_F$, therefore

$$\nu_{\min} = \frac{\nu^* (E_i - E_b) - p_F \sqrt{\nu^{*2} + Q^2}}{M_i^*}$$

$$\nu_{\max} = \frac{\nu^* (E_i - E_b) + p_F \sqrt{\nu^{*2} + Q^2}}{M_i^*}.$$
(11)

4 Minimal and maximal values of initial nucleon energy

The four-momentum of the final lepton is $p_f = p + q$, where $q = (\nu, \mathbf{q})$ is the four-momentum transfer. Since $p_f^2 = M_f^2$ one obtains: $(E_i + \nu)^2 - (\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2 = M_f^2$

or

$$(E_i + \nu)^2 = M_f^2 + \mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{q}^2 + 2\mathbf{p}\mathbf{q}\cos\phi$$

where q=|q| and α is the angle between p and q. Consequently

$$-2pq \le (E_i + \nu)^2 - (E_i + E_b)^2 + M_i^2 - q^2 - M_f^2 \le 2pq$$

where we used the substitution $p^2 = (E_i + E_b)^2 - M_i^2$. Squaring the last relation gives us:

$$\left[2E_i(\nu - E_b) + M_i^2 - M_f^2 - Q^2 - E_b^2\right]^2 - 4q^2(E_i^2 + 2E_iE_b + E_b^2 - M_i^2) \le 0,$$
(12)

where the identity $\nu^2 - q^2 = -Q^2$ was used. Rewriting the left part of inequality (12) in terms of new variables

$$c = rac{
u - E_b}{\mathbf{q}}$$
 and $d = rac{M_i^2 - M_f^2 - Q^2 + E_b^2 - 2E_b
u}{2M_i \mathbf{q}}$

and equating it to zero, yields

$$(1 - c2)(Ei + Eb)2 - 2cdMi(Ei + Eb) - (1 + d2)Mi2 = 0.$$

The roots of this equation are

$$E_i^{\pm} = \frac{M_i (dc \pm \sqrt{1 - c^2 + d^2})}{1 - c^2} - E_b.$$
(13)

However we also must take into account the Pauli-blocking condition: $E_i + \nu > E_F$, where E_F is the Fermi energy of final bound nucleon. Taking into account the Pauli-blocking we find that initial nucleon energy should be greater than $\max(E_i^+ + E_b, E_F - \nu)$, because $E_i^- < 0$.

Clearly, the maximum energy of the initial nucleon is just $\sqrt{p_F^2 + M_i^2} - E_b$.