

Neutrino cross section measurements: recent highlights

(from the past two years & at long-baseline energy range)

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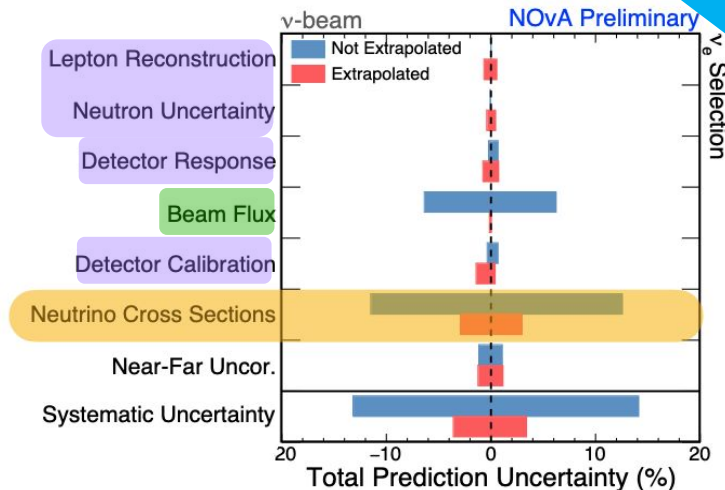
Why neutrino cross sections matter?

2022

T2K

NOVA

Error source	ν_e appearance
Flux	2.8
ν cross section (ND tuned)	3.8
ν cross section untunable	2.9
SK detector	3.1
Total	5.2



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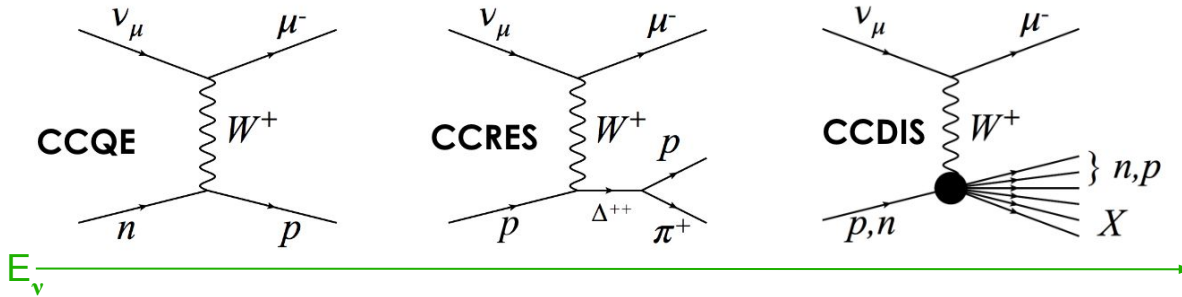
Neutrino interaction uncertainties are the ~ dominant source of systematics in current long-baseline experiments

$$\frac{N_{events}^{far}(\vec{x})}{N_{events}^{near}(\vec{x})} = \frac{\sigma(E_\nu, \vec{x}) \otimes \Phi^{far}(E_\nu) \otimes D^{far}(\vec{x}) \otimes P_{osc}(E_\nu)}{\sigma(E_\nu, \vec{x}) \otimes \Phi^{near}(E_\nu) \otimes D^{near}(\vec{x})}$$

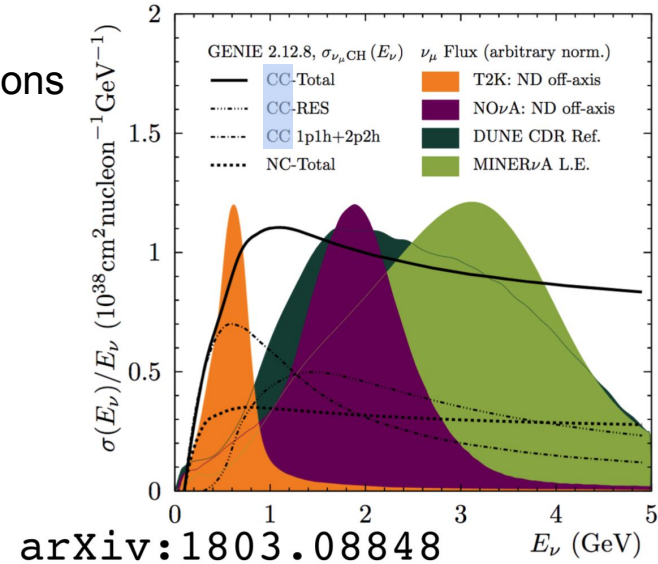
Today not the major problem, we have ~100 ν_e appearance events... but this will become a problem soon (T2K phase 2, Hyper-Kamiokande, DUNE)

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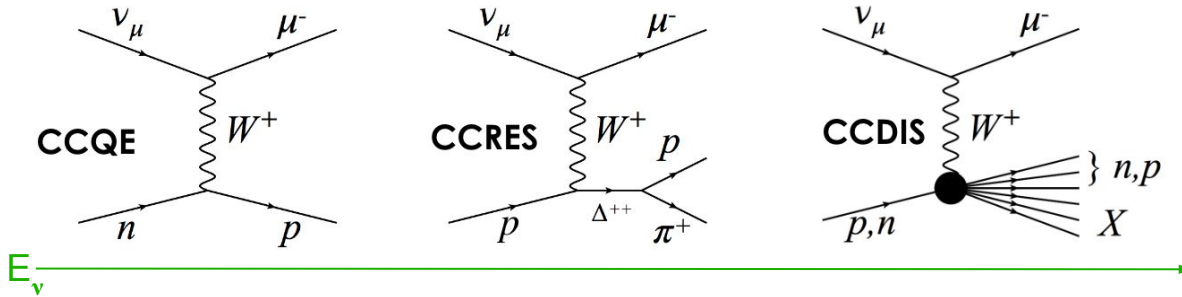


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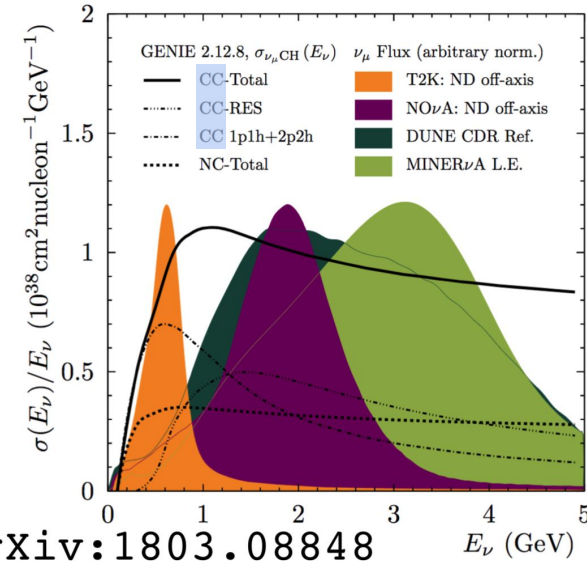


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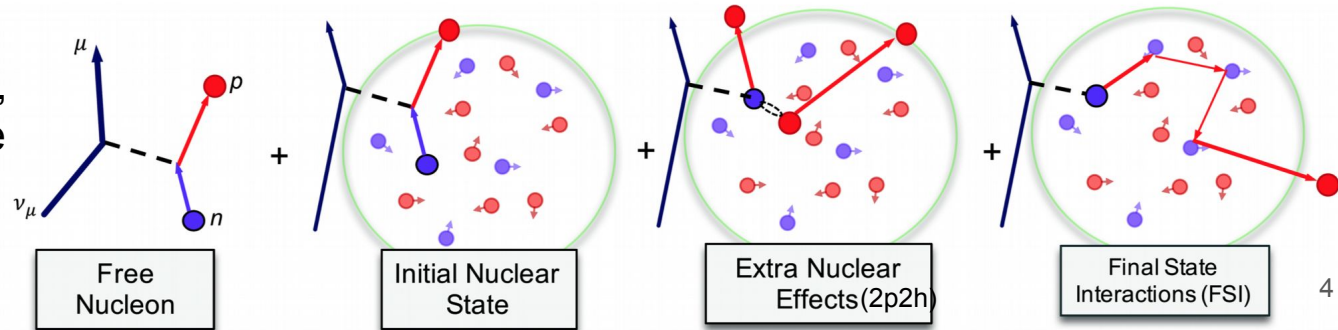
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Ideally, from the final state, we want to access the true interaction, but **nuclear effects** play an important role



Final state topologies

Initial state interactions

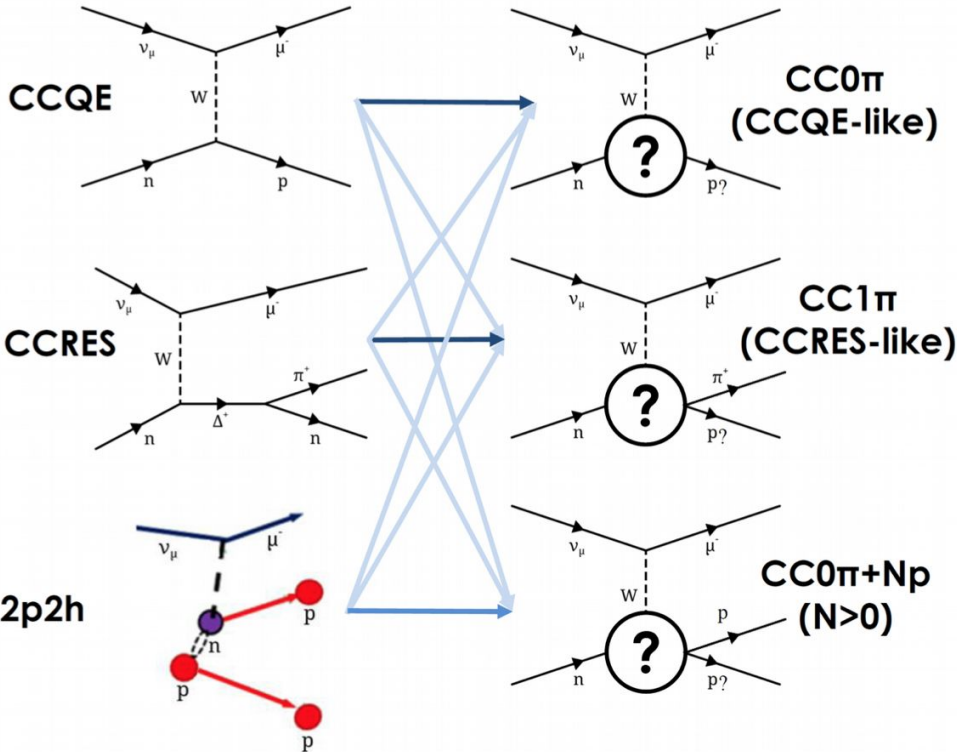
Final state topologies

Our detectors can only reconstruct final state particles after nuclear effect

- charged lepton (CC) or no lepton (NC)
- w. or w/o pions: $0\pi^{+-0}$, $1\pi^{+-0}$
- w. or w/o protons: $0p$, $1p$, Np

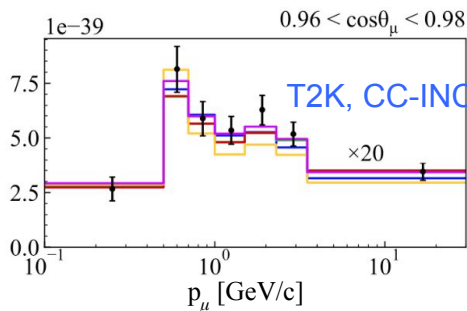
Final state topologies are the only categories we can access w/o referring to theoretical models, but they are **composed of a mixture of initial state interactions**

Difficult task for the xsec community is to try to characterize these initial state interactions to check/tune theoretical models (and for the theory community to try to predict our final state topologies starting from the initial state interactions)

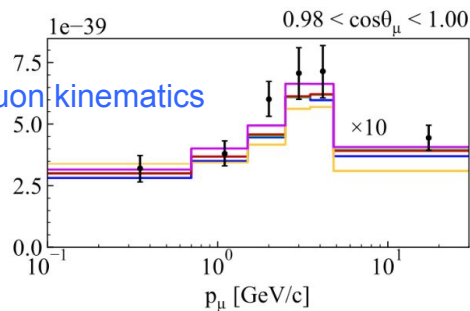


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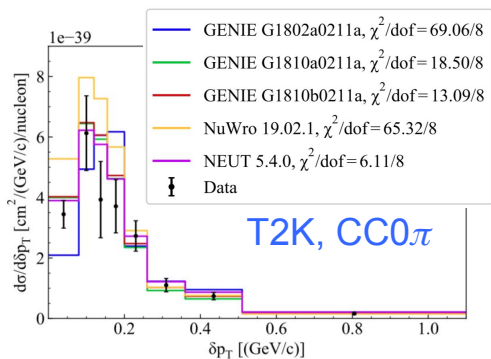


T2K, CC-INCL, muon kinematics

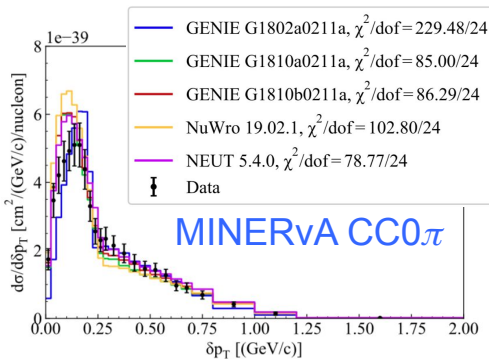


- GENIE G1802a0211a, $\chi^2/\text{dof}=151.45/71$
- GENIE G1810a0211a, $\chi^2/\text{dof}=110.72/71$
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- NuWro 19.02.1, $\chi^2/\text{dof}=201.27/71$
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- ⊥ T2K Data

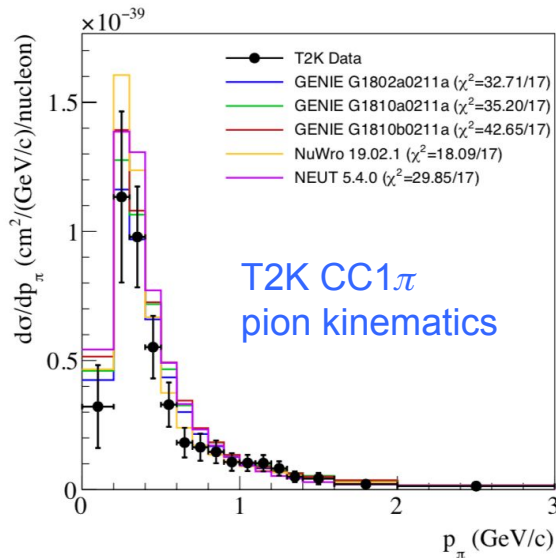
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T2K, CC0 π



MINERvA CC0 π

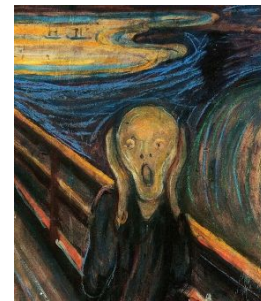
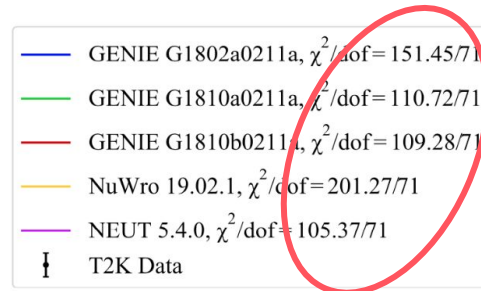
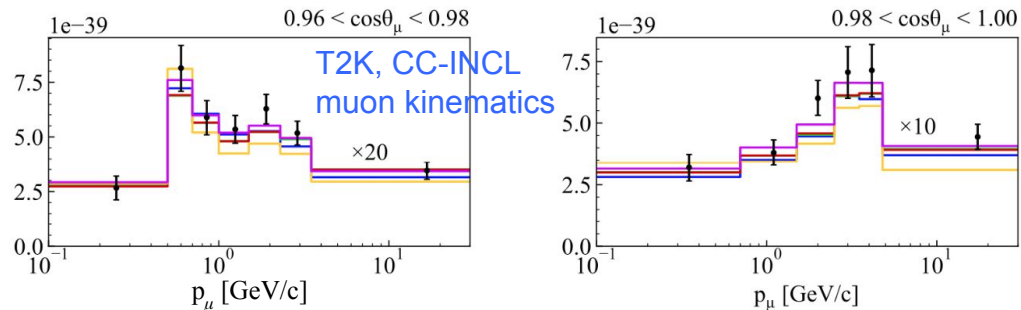


T2K CC1 π
pion kinematics

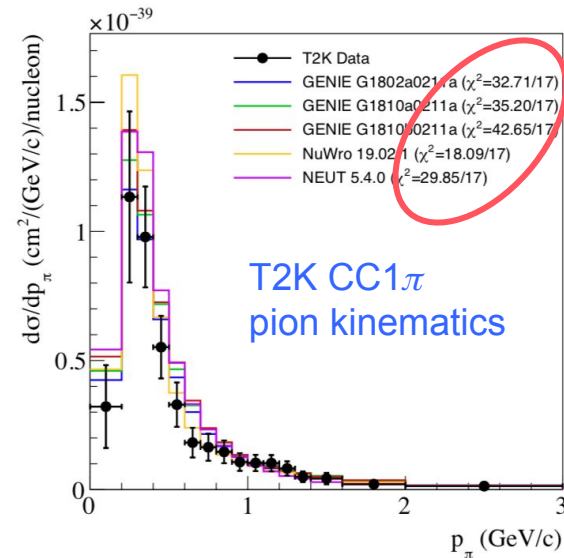
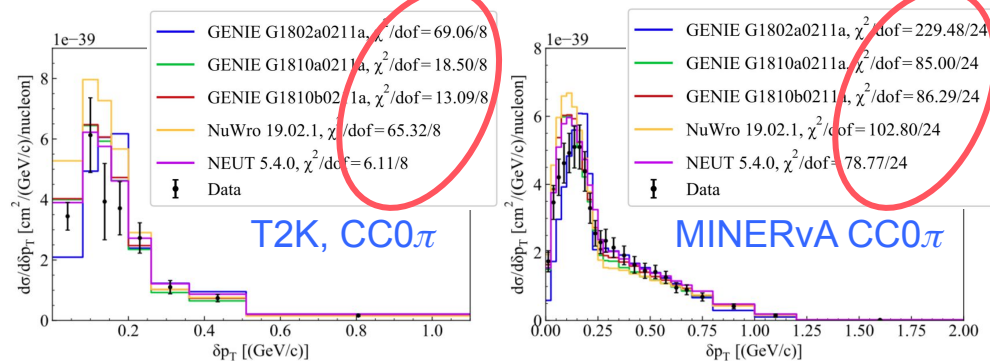
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**KEEP
CALM
AND
MEASURE
v XSEC**

What is a cross section?

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_i dy_j} = \frac{N_{ij}^{\text{signal}}}{\epsilon_{ij} \Phi N_{\text{nucleons}}^{\text{FV}}} \times \frac{1}{\Delta x_i \Delta y_j}$$

What is a cross section?

After background subtraction and unfolding of detector effects

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true variables efficiency correction double (or more?) differential

- Signal, to be defined considering the detector capabilities \Rightarrow **final state topology**
- Selected signal samples contain also some background \Rightarrow need of **background samples**
- Observables, to be chosen considering the detector capabilities \Rightarrow **usually lepton and/or hadron kinematics**
- Limit the model dependence of the efficiency correction \Rightarrow perform **2D (or more) differential measurements**, phase space restriction,...
- Cross section to be extracted as a function of the true observables \Rightarrow **unfolding of detector effects**

Typical night of a neutrino cross-section analyser



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Thoughts from the full community

NuXtract2023:
toward a consensus in ν cross sections



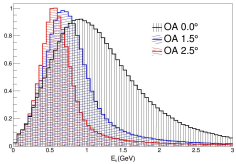
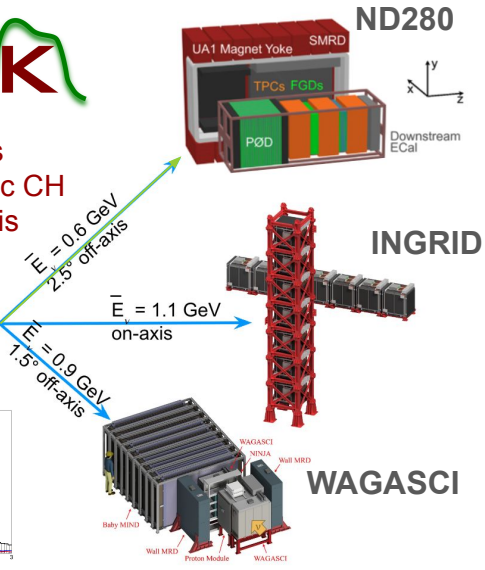
Example of a NuSTEC workshop

But we also have fun...

Main actors in the field



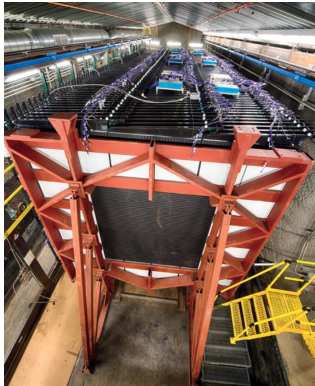
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2. H₂O and plastic CH
3. different off-axis



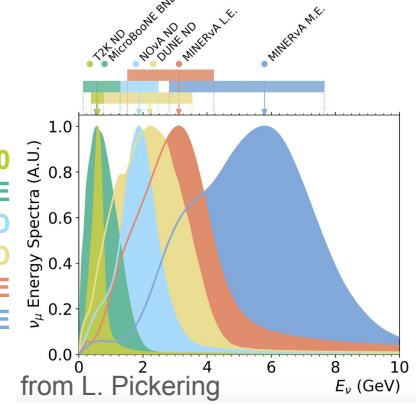
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Fermilab
 NuMI beam

$\vec{E}_\nu = 1.8 \text{ GeV}$
 $0.8^\circ \text{ off-axis}$



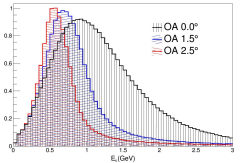
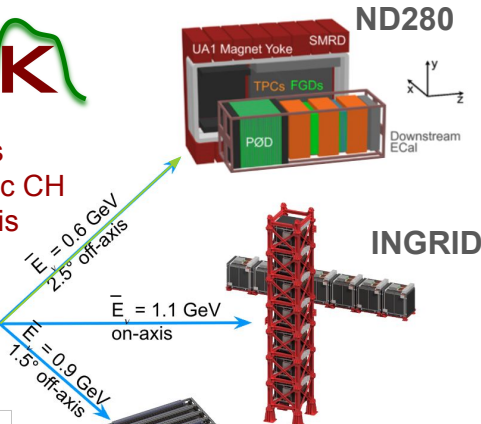
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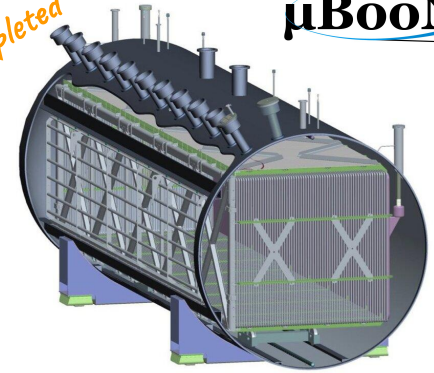
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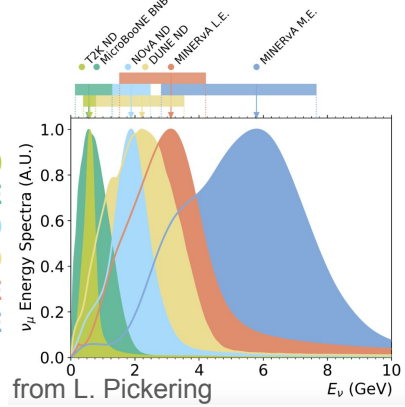


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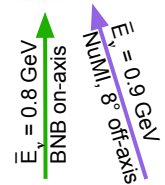
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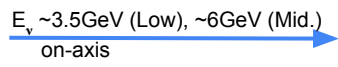


1. LArTPC
2. BNB beam on-axis
3. NuMI beam off-axis



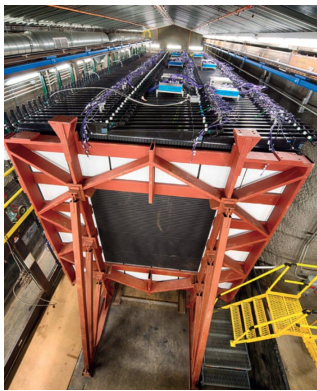
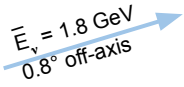
1. Several targets: C, CH, Fe, Pb, H₂O, He
2. two beams ~3GeV and ~6GeV

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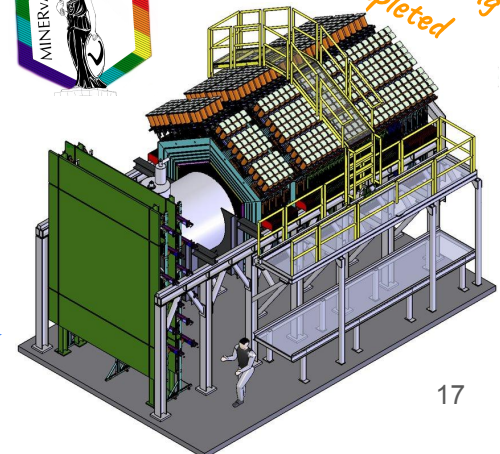


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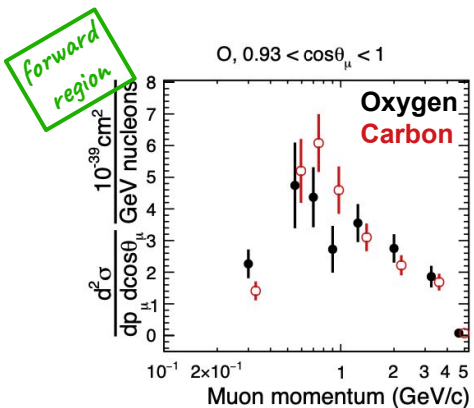
Priorities of neutrino cross-section community

- **Limit model dependence**, by defining the signal depending on the final state topology (instead of the true interaction), by carefully choosing the observables (detectable variables) and applying the efficiency corrections
- Characterise the **dominant channels $CC0\pi$ and $CC1\pi$** , while also exploring subdominant or rare ones (characterise the background)
- **Promote combined measurements** (multi-flux, multi-target, multi-channel) that allow to provide correlations between measurements and explore E- and A- dependences
- **Explore nuclear effects**, that are the main responsible of systematics in the oscillation analysis
- Provide new measurements on **different targets**: CH, water, Argon (but also Pb and Fe)
- Provide **data release** allowing to preserve useful data results over the next decades and in the simplest format for theoreticians to be used
- Develop and maintain **sophisticated tools and careful procedures** for the cross section extraction (unfolding and error propagation) and diagnostic

How these measurements are used?

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example from recent T2K developments



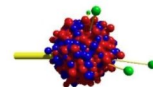
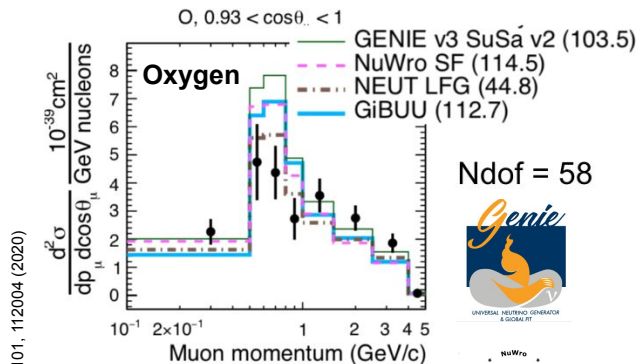
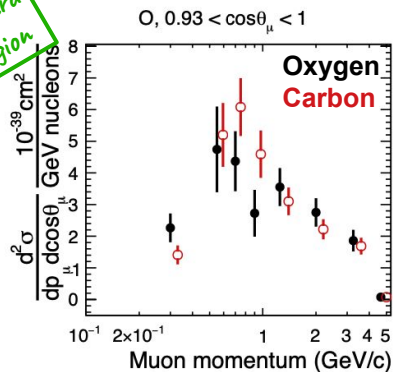
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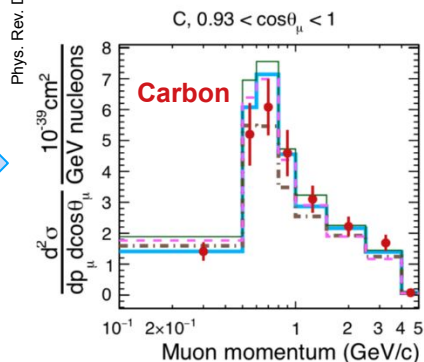
Forward region



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NEUT

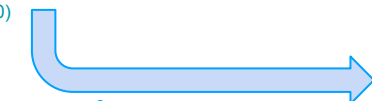


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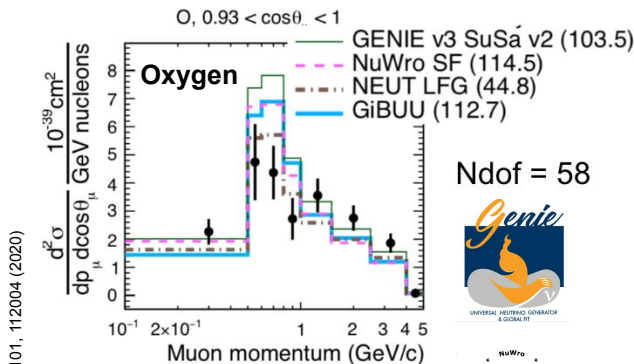
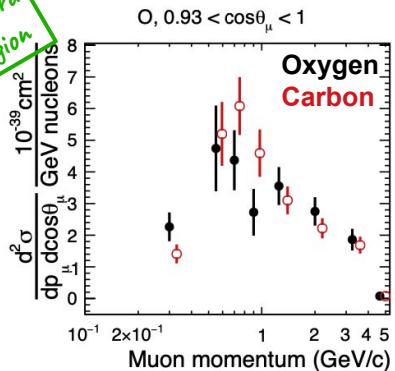
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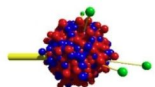
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clear disagreement with most sophisticated nuclear model in this region

Forward region



Ndof = 58

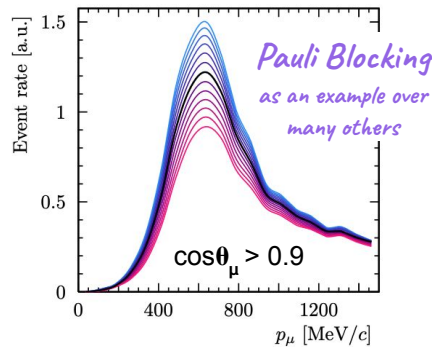


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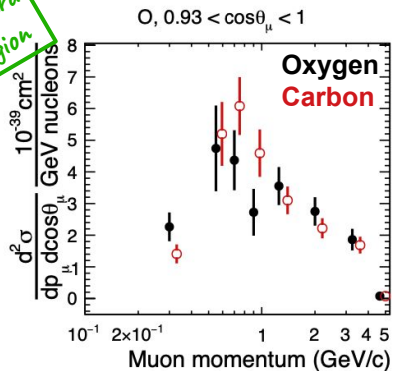
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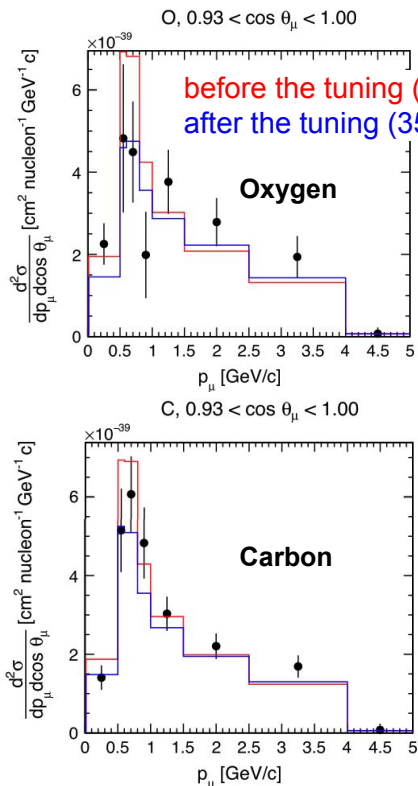
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before the tuning (110.8/58)
after the tuning (35.8/58)

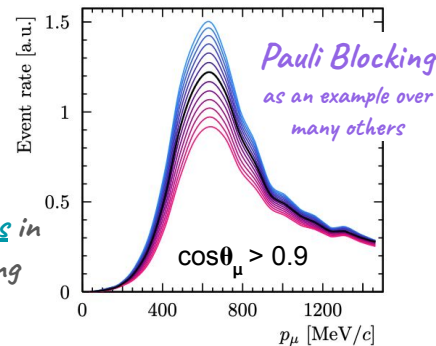
Oxygen

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Carbon

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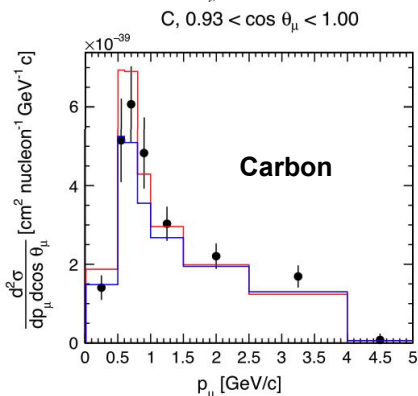
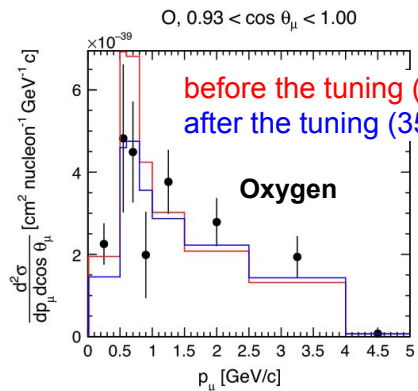
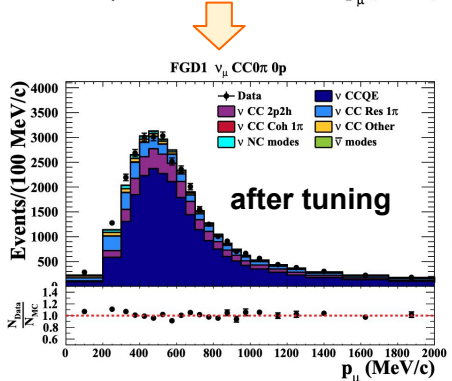
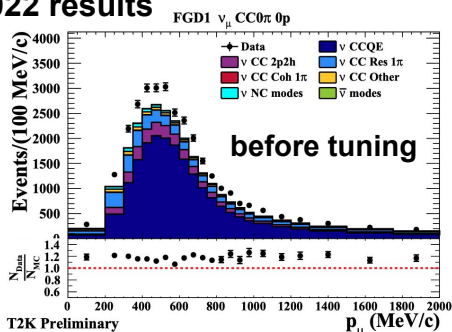
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New parameterisation applied in the official model tuning for the oscillation analysis

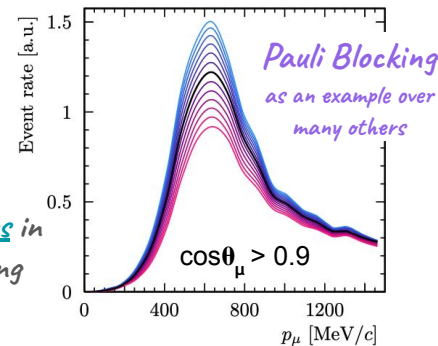
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Near Detector:
2022 results



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Anti- ν_μ CC Inclusive, [NuInt2024](#)

Low hadronic energy $\text{CC}\pi$, [Wine&Cheese seminar](#)

ν_μ CC π^0 , [Phys. Rev. D 107, 112008 \(2023\)](#)



$\text{NC}\pi^0$: BNB, [arXiv:2404.10948](#)

$\text{CC}\pi^0$: BNB, [arXiv:2404.09949](#)

Joint $\text{CC}0\text{p}/\text{CCNp}$, BNB (0.8 GeV), [arxiv:2402.19281 \(short\)](#), [arxiv:2402.19216 \(long\)](#)

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Quasi-elastic Λ baryon production, NuMI beam, [Phys. Rev. Lett. 130, 231802 \(2023\)](#)

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ν_e $\text{CC}\pi$, [Phys. Rev. D 106, L051102 \(2022\)](#)



ν_e and ν_e CC Inclusive at low Q² on CH, ME, [Phys. Rev. D 109, 092008 \(2024\)](#)

Neutrons in anti- ν_μ CC on CH, [Phys. Rev. D 108, \(2023\) 112010](#)

Axial vector form factor from antineutrino-proton scattering, [Nature, 614, 48-53 \(2023\)](#)

Joint ν_μ $\text{CC}0\pi$ on CH, C, water, Fe, and Pb, [Phys. Rev. Lett. 130, 161801 \(2023\)](#)

High-Stat. anti- ν_μ $\text{CC}0\pi$ on CH at $E_\nu \sim 6\text{GeV}$, [Phys. Rev. D 108, \(2023\) 032018 \(2023\)](#)

Coherent π^+ production in C, CH, Fe and Pb at $\langle E_\nu \rangle \sim 6\text{GeV}$, [Phys. Rev. Lett. 131, 051801 \(2023\)](#)

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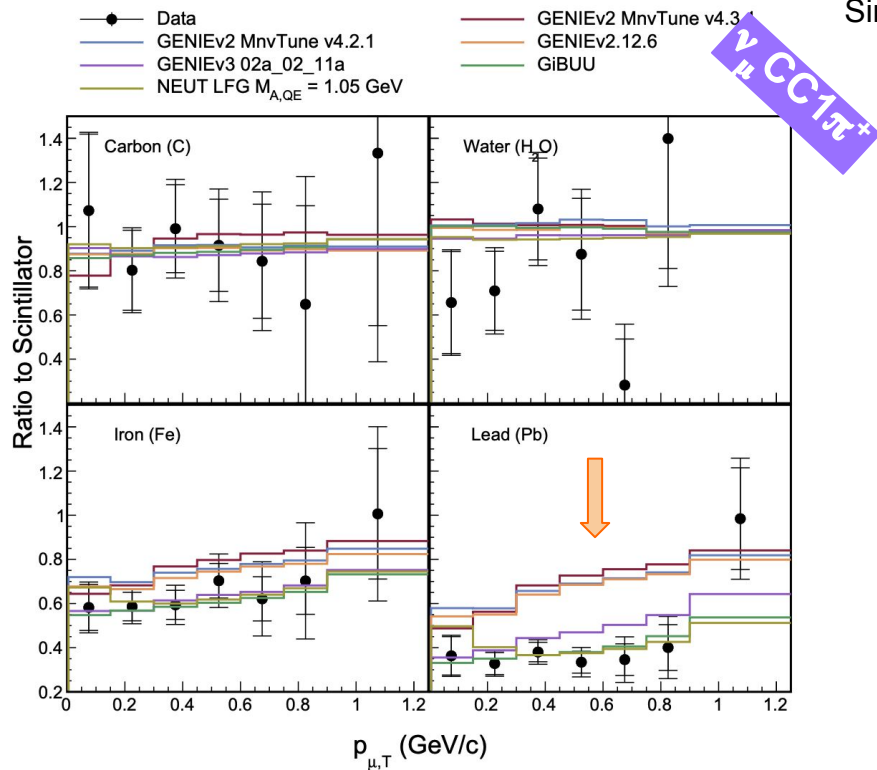


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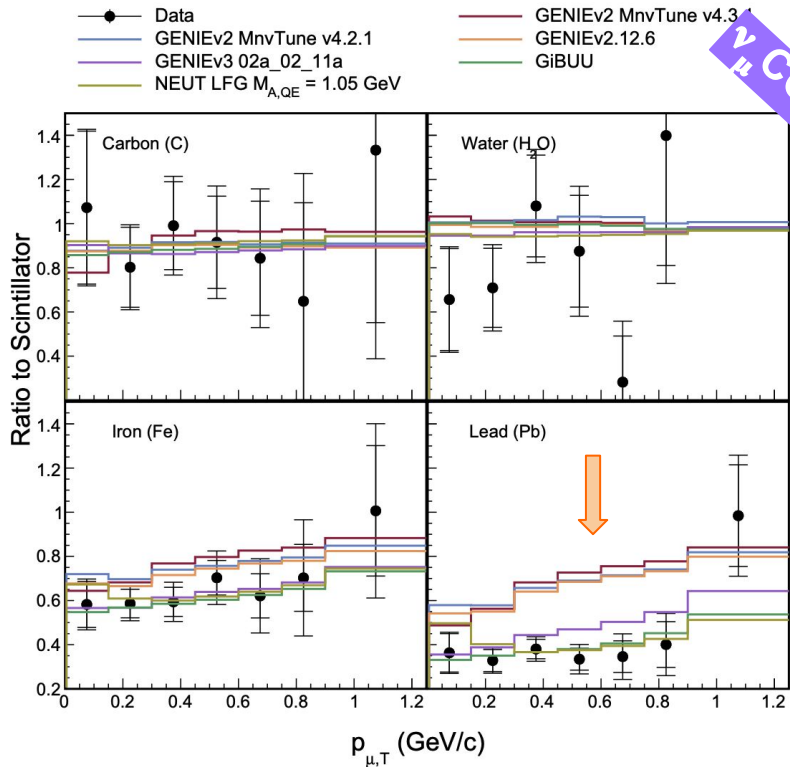


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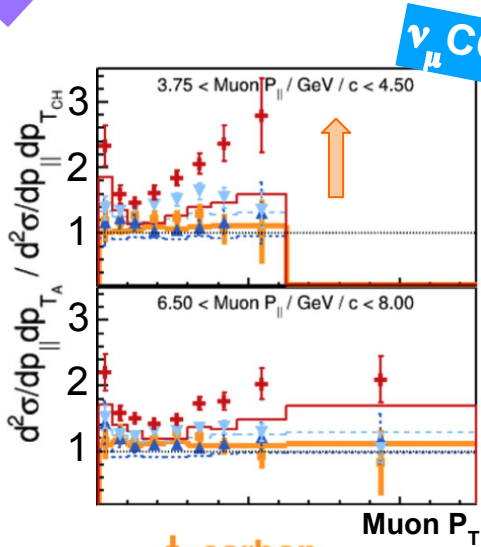
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FSI mismodelling at higher A?

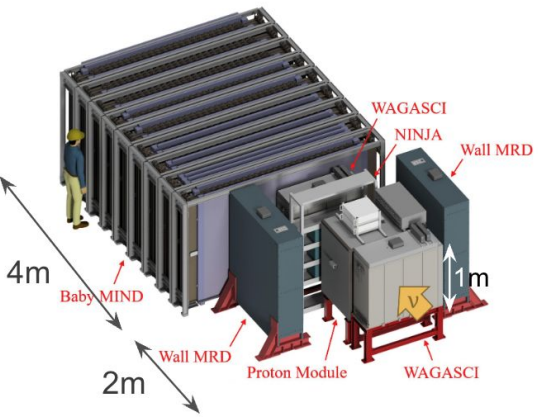
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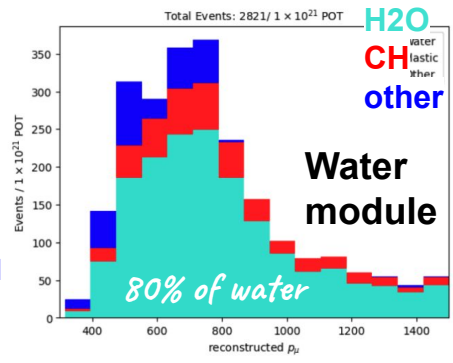
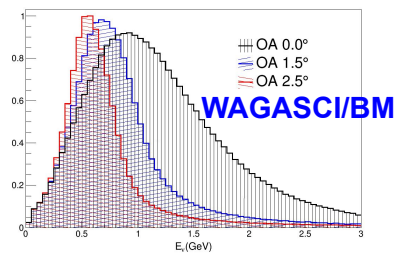
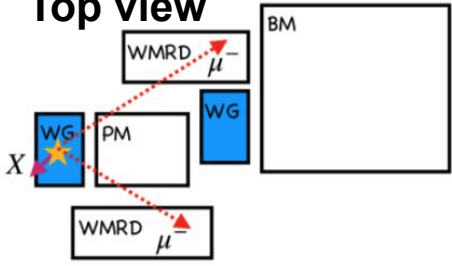
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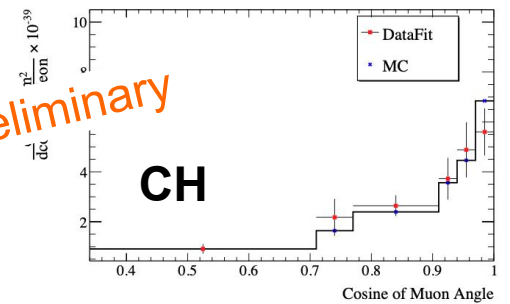
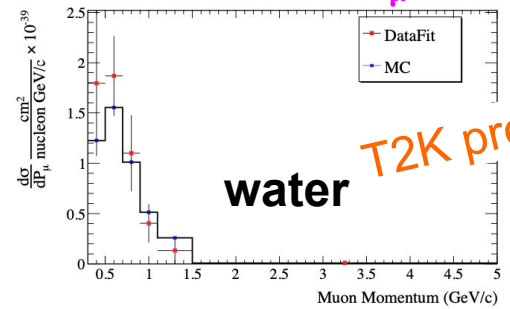


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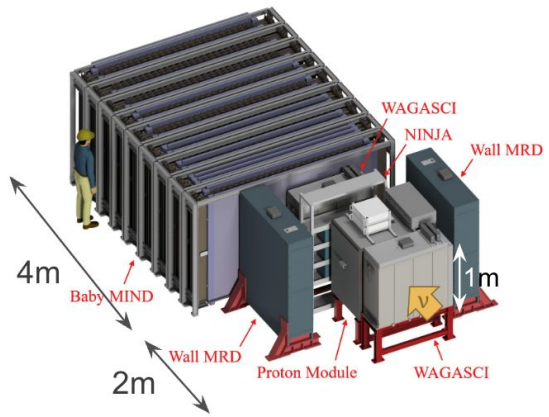
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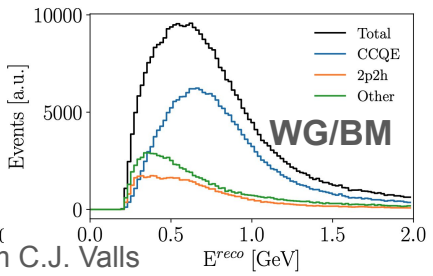
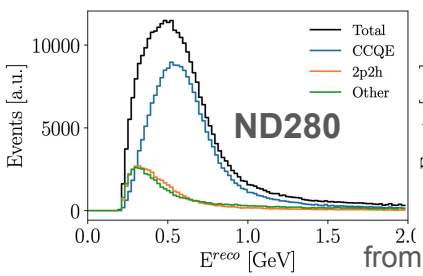
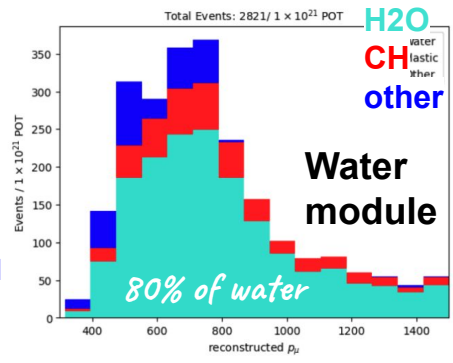
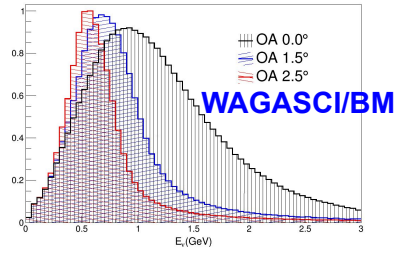
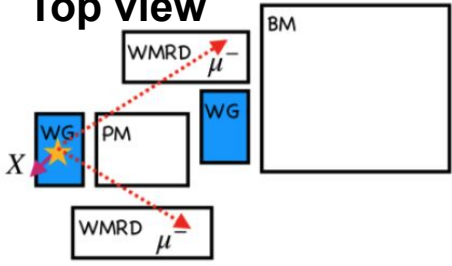
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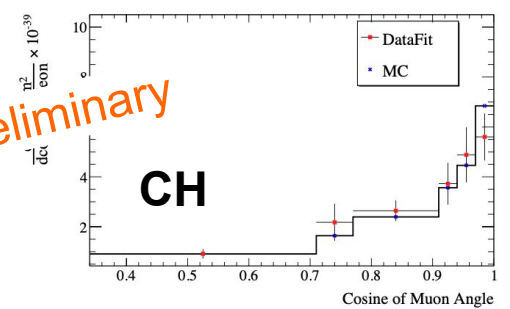
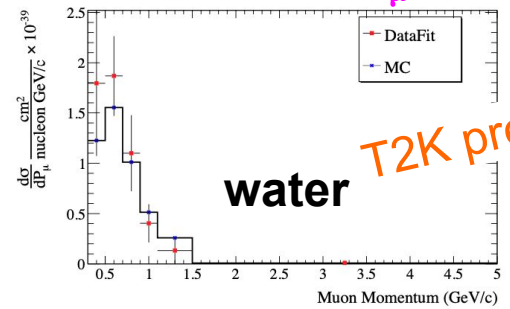
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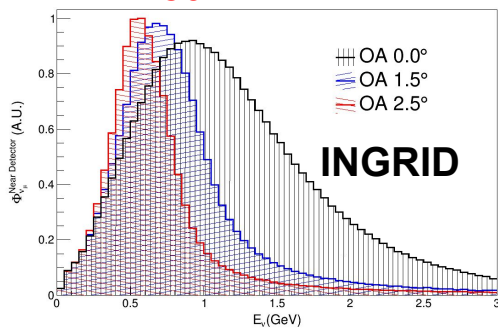
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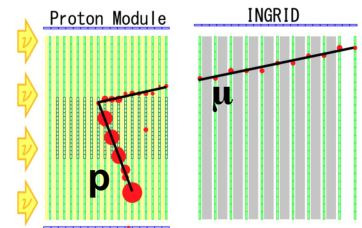
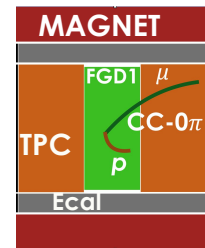
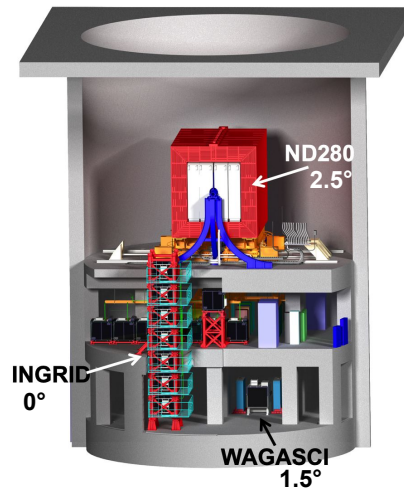


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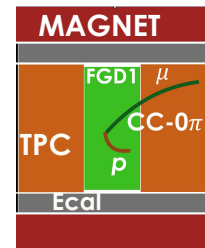


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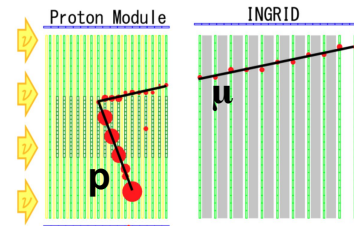
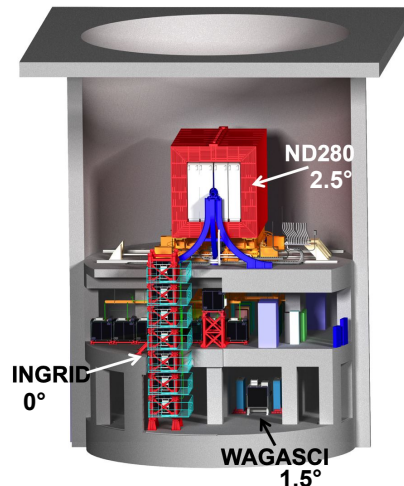
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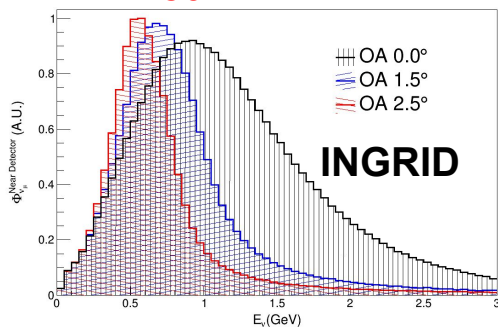


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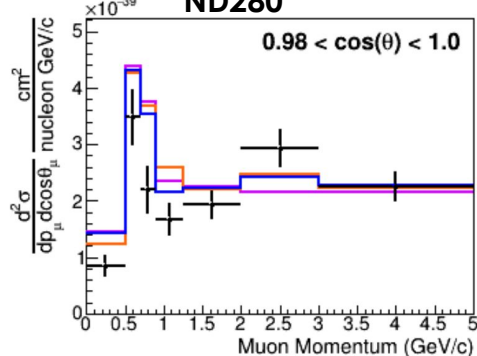


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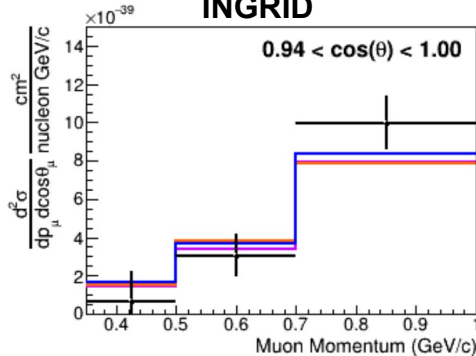


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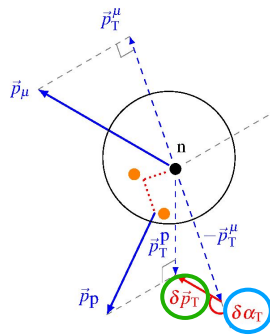


- + On/Off-Axis Data
- NuWro_21.09_LFG+Martini $\chi^2 = 155.68$
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Allows to study the energy dependence of ν interactions (same beam but different spectra) especially 2p2h or CCRES

For the first time, possible to test models simultaneously at two different angles/fluxes

Models struggle in reproducing data



Testing the initial state nucleon
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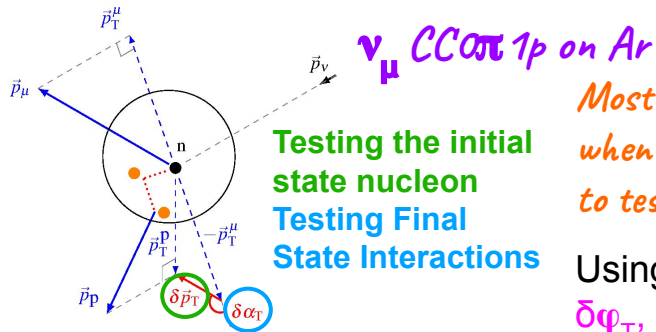
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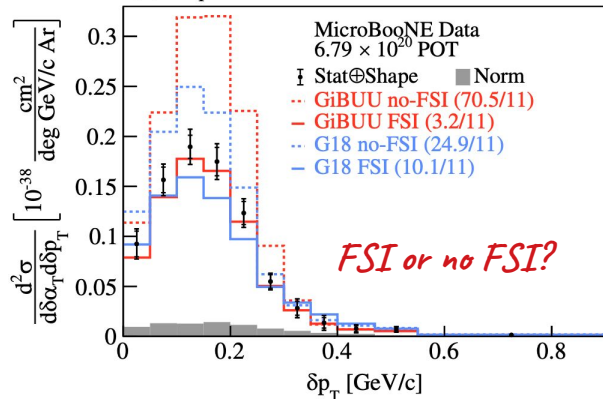
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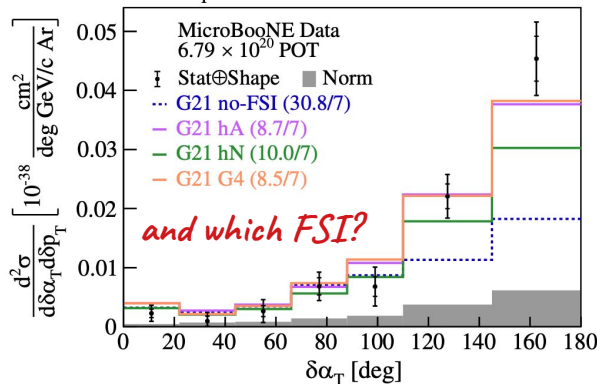
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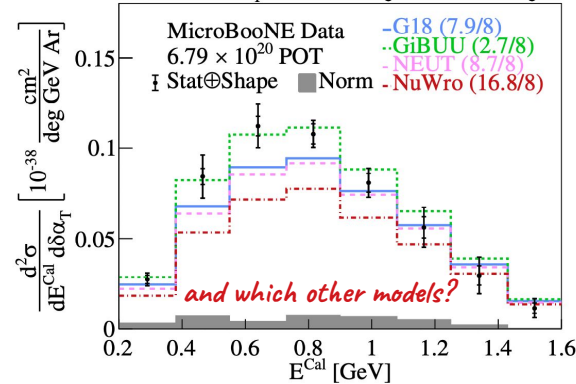
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Models with FSI favoured

Testing different FSI and nuclear models

Possible to select/disentangle different nuclear effects with 2D measurements

Evident mismodelling in several variables, less evident for E^{cal}

First TKI measurement on Ar!

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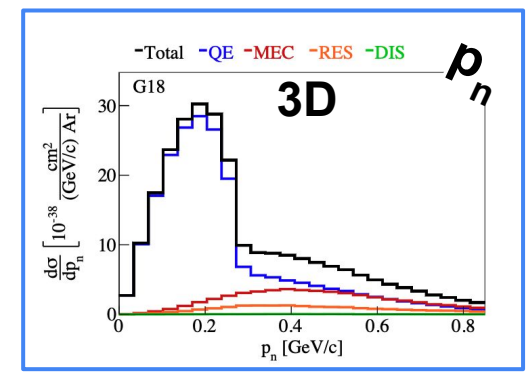
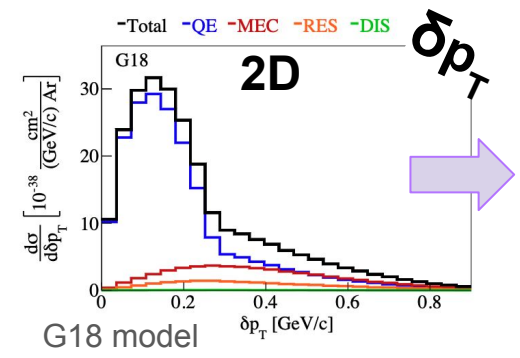
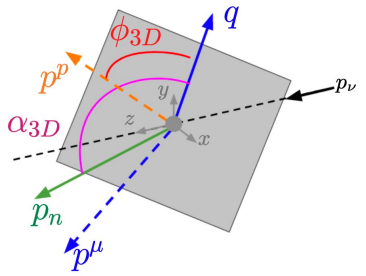
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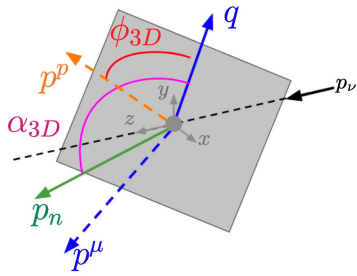


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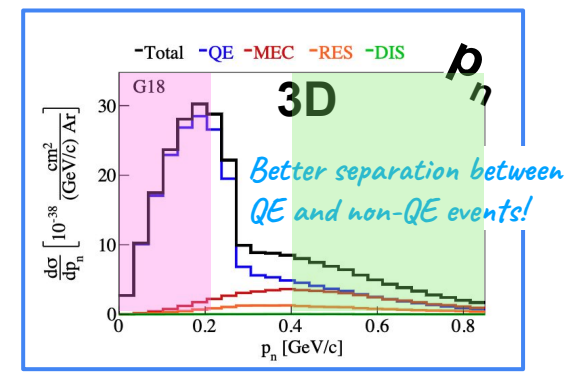
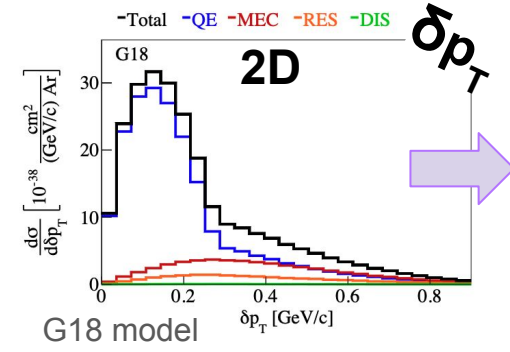
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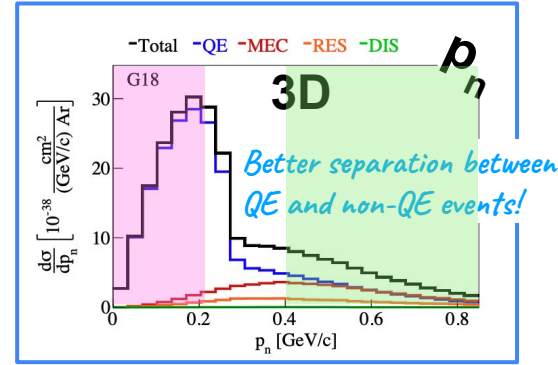
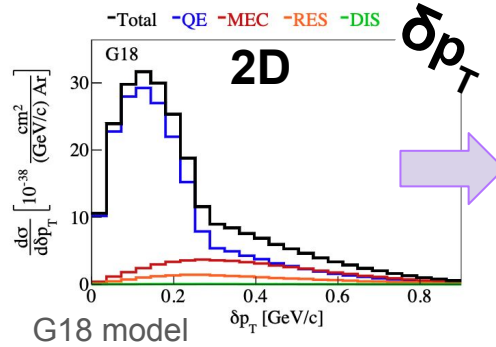
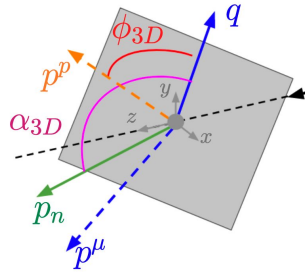


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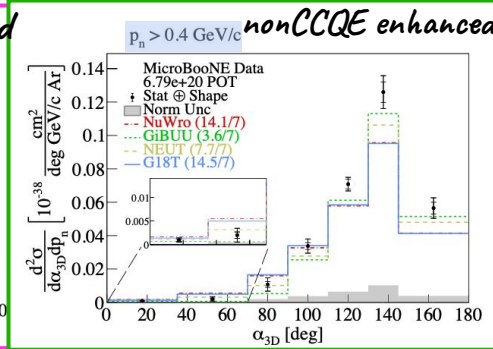
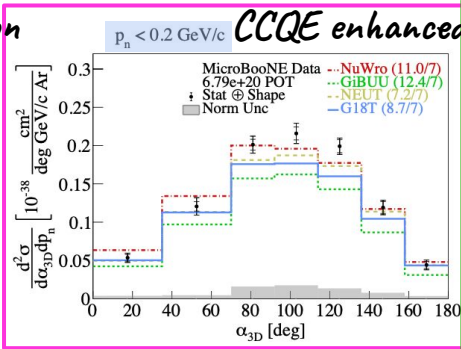
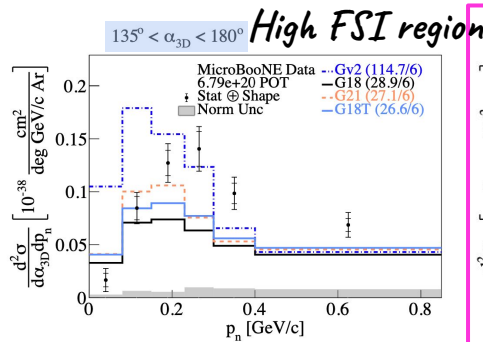
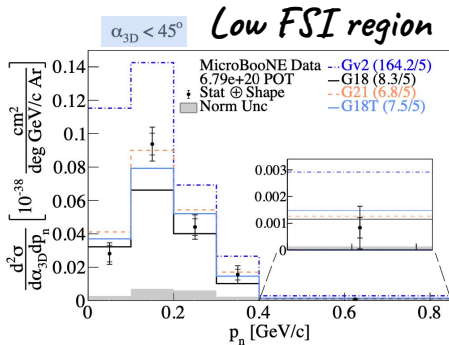
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Some old models clearly disfavoured

More recent models agree in certain regions and are worse in others



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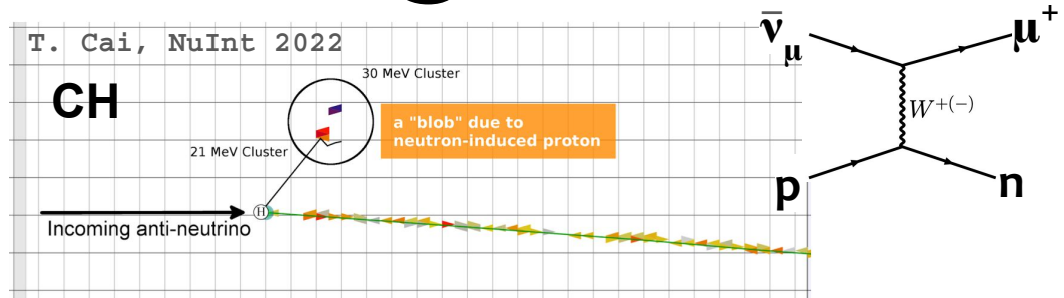


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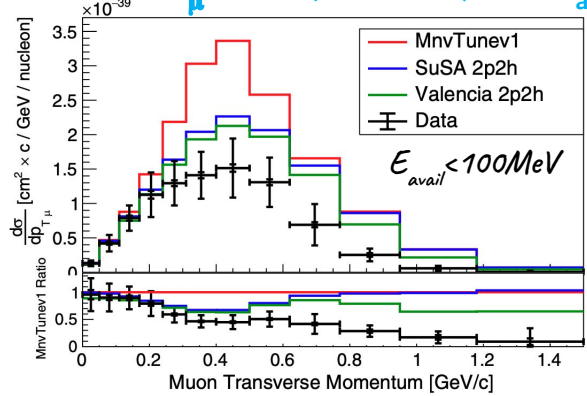
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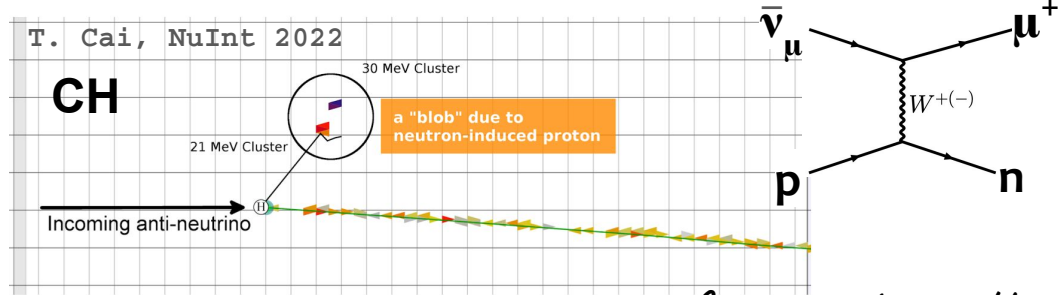


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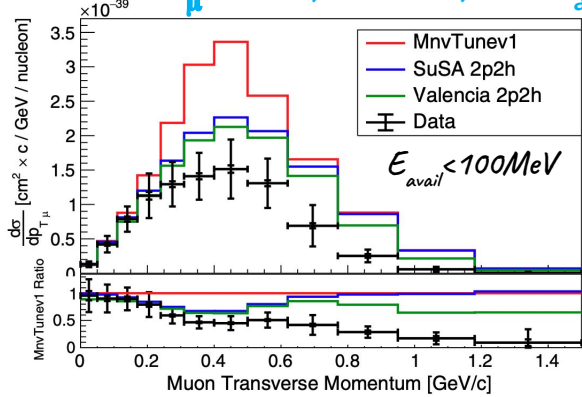
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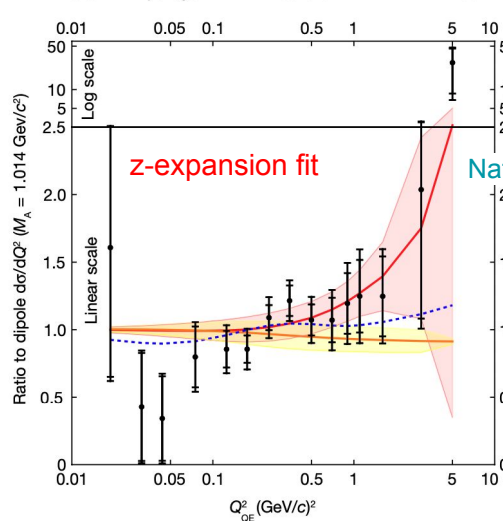


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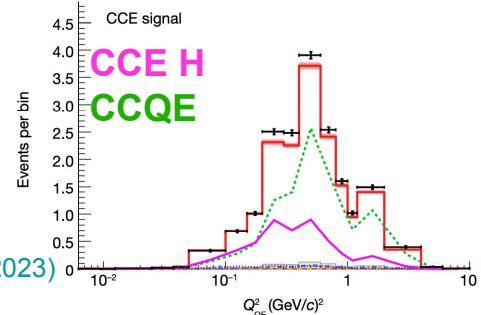
And if we get rid of nuclear effects? Try to isolate $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC elastic interactions on H, i.e. on free p!

• Data — Hydrogen fit — Deuterium fit — BBBA2007 fit



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Cuts on angular variables



CCE xsec measured vs Q^2_{QE} : **first statistically significant measurement of the anti- ν CCE scattering on the free p!**

Results used to **measure the axial vector form factor** \rightarrow first measurements on free p!

Favors larger F_A at higher Q^2 \rightarrow **deviation from dipole F_A**

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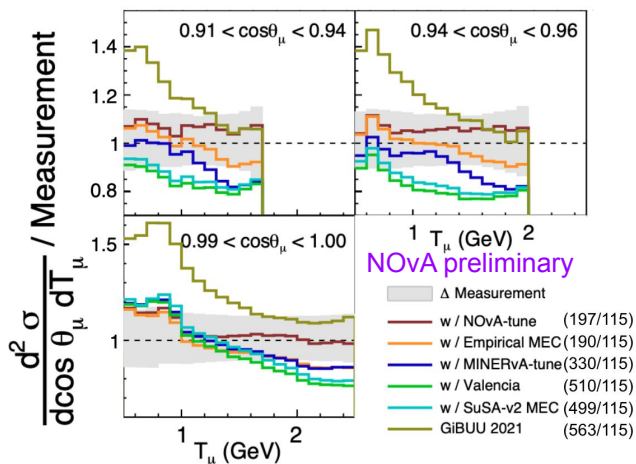
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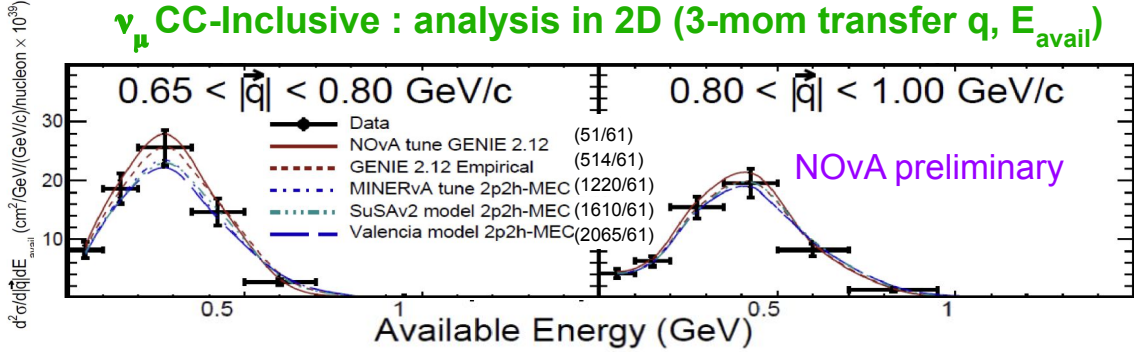
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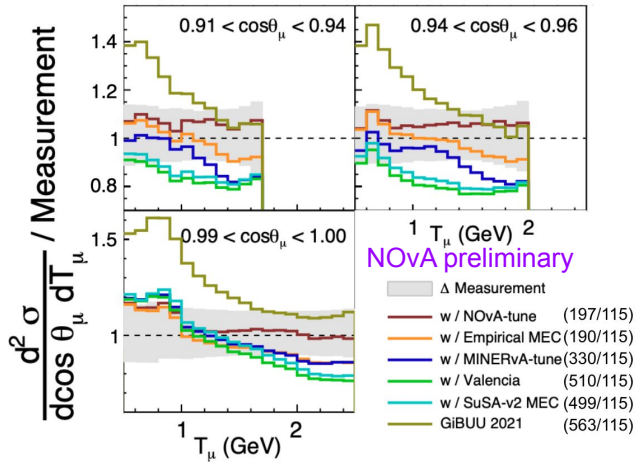
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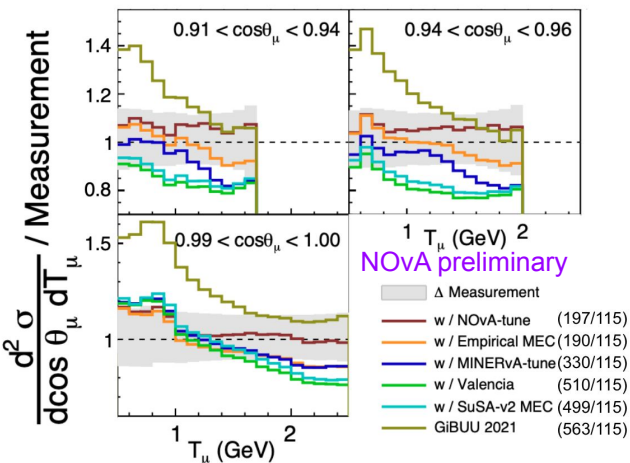
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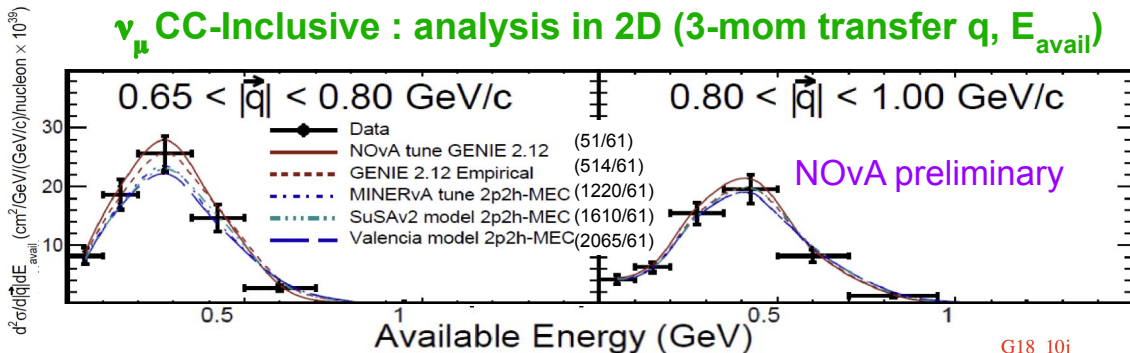
NOvA CC0 π @NuInt2024

NOvA CC1 π @NuInt2024

Exploiting E_{avail} @NOvA



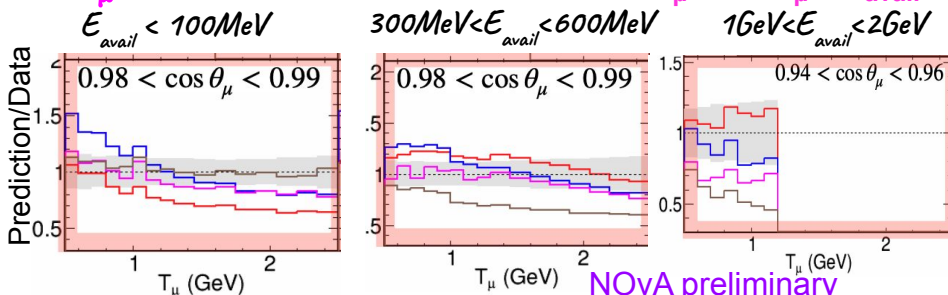
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC-Inclusive : analysis in 2D (3-mom transfer q, E_{avail})



Xsec evolves with increasing $q \rightarrow$ similar pattern already seen in MINERvA

Testing several 2p2h models

$\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC-Inclusive : analysis in 3D ($T_\mu, \cos\theta_\mu, E_{avail}$)



Testing several models. (Dis-)agreement dominated by the low E_{avail} region ($\sim 50\%$ of events, ++CCQE, 2p2h). Need a tuned model for a \sim better agreement with data

G18_10j
(NOvA MEC-tuned)

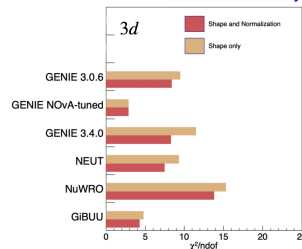
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G21_11a

AR23_20i
(DUNE)

NOvA Preliminary



Most of xsec measurements done with ν_μ beam at near detectors, but far detectors particularly interested to ν_e . Can we extrapolate from ν_μ to $\nu_e \rightarrow$ need to study them also at the ND! ($m_\mu \neq m_e$)

Electron neutrinos @MINERvA

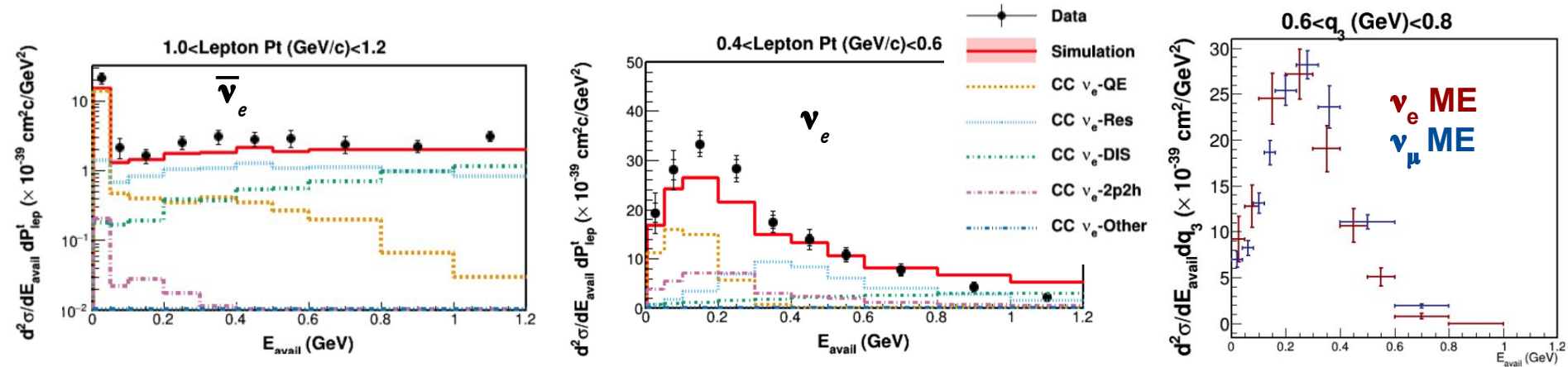
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High statistics ($\sim 10^4$ events), CC-Inclusive, low E_{avail} (bkg limit), $E_e > 2.5$ GeV, ME beam, CH target

Data-driven background estimation (mis-modeling of π^0 production processes)

Two 2D cross section measurements (E_{avail}, q_3), (E_{avail}, p_T)



Also, comparison with other ν_μ MINERvA measurements is \sim possible

Need to characterise also NC interactions, often background for oscillation analyses!

And Neutral Currents?

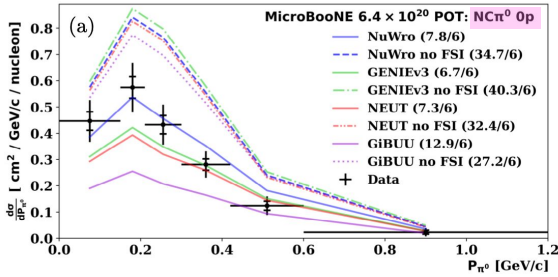
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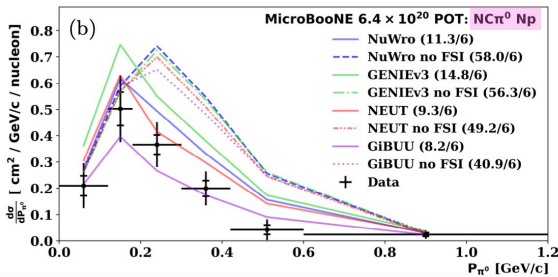
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Clearly favouring models containing FSI, better agreement with 0π channel

Also provide test of different form factor predictions (see the paper)

~ 5000 sel. events arXiv:2404.10948

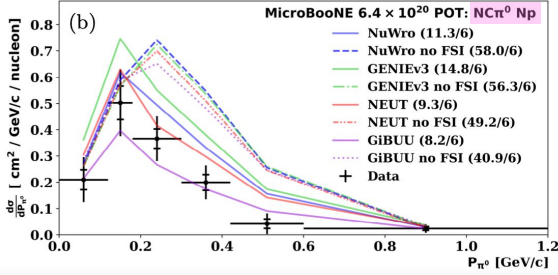
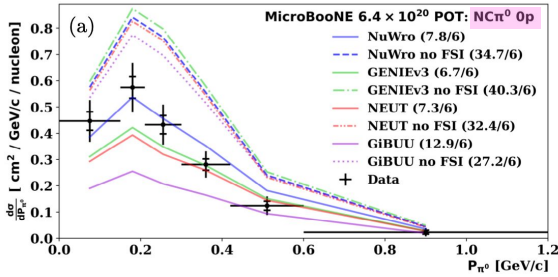
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Simultaneous measurement of Op and Np channels → important to understand the difference between Op/Np topologies

Clearly favouring models containing FSI, better agreement with Op channel

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And Neutral Currents?



$E_{\nu}^{\text{peak}} \sim 0.6 \text{ GeV}$

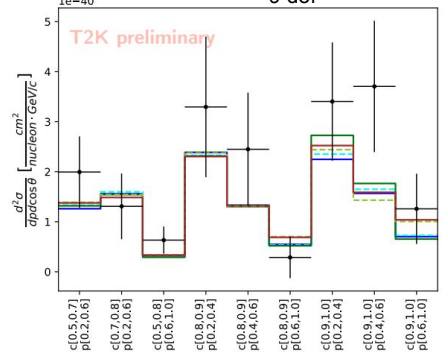
NC π^+ production represents a major background for ν_μ dis-appearance channel → poorly studied process

First NC π^+ measurement on CH below 2 GeV

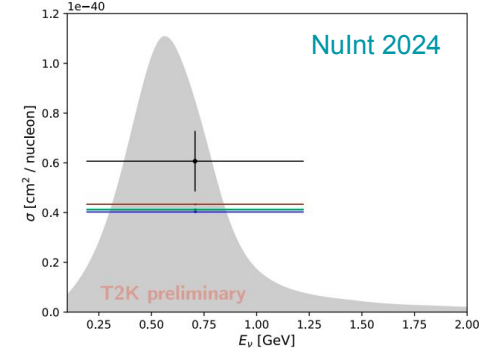
2D measurement in p_{π^+} and $\cos\theta_{\pi^+}$
Op channel is signal, Np channel is background

~ 500 sel. events

- GENIEv3 AR23_20i_00_000 $\chi^2=6.18$
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- + Data

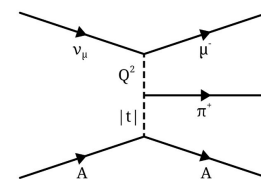


- GENIEv3 AR23_20i_00_000 $\chi^2=2.82$
- GENIEv3 CRPA21_04a_00_000 $\chi^2=2.50$
- NEUT562 $\chi^2=2.58$
- NUWRO LFRGPA $\chi^2=2.04$
- NUWRO SF $\chi^2=2.03$
- + Data



Comparisons with several nuclear and FSI models. No particular preference shown

Still statistically limited → need to collect more data 44



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 Selection: low 4-mom transfer events where a charged π is produced

$\langle E_\nu \rangle \sim 6 \text{ GeV}$

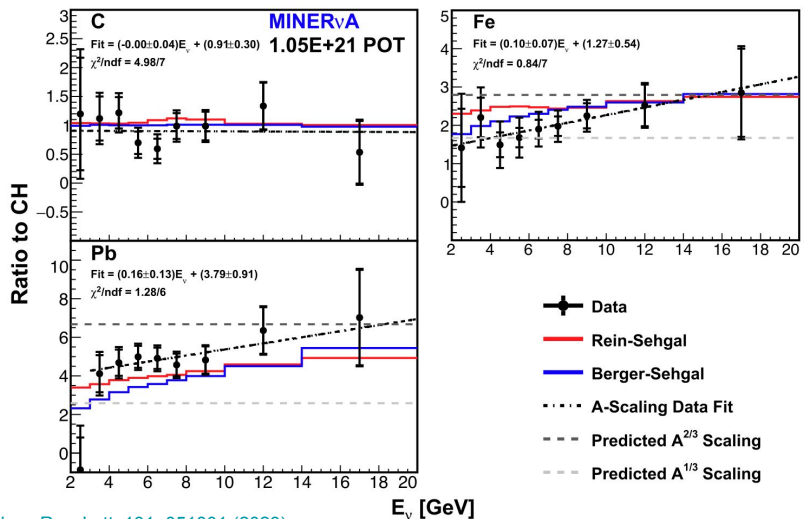


Multi-targets

First ν_μ CC-Coh measurement on $A > 40$ nuclei

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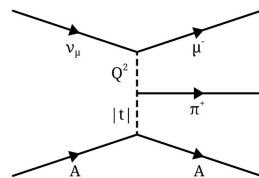


When neutrinos interact coherently with the nucleus

CC-Coherent π production

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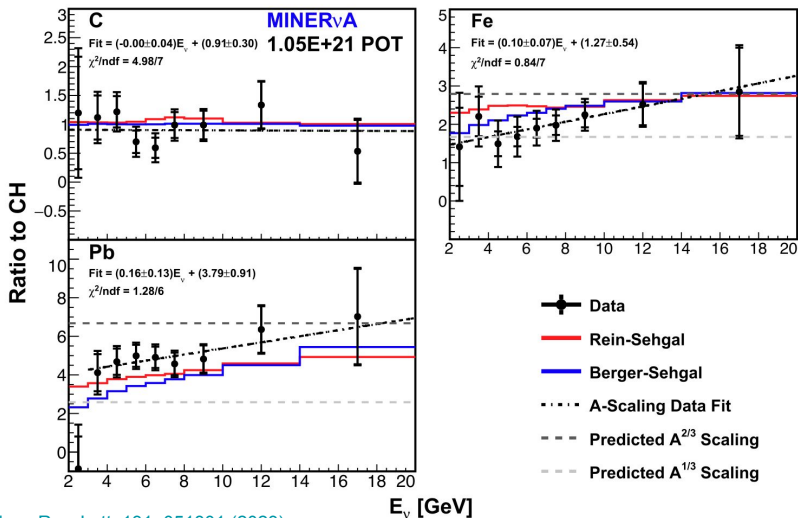
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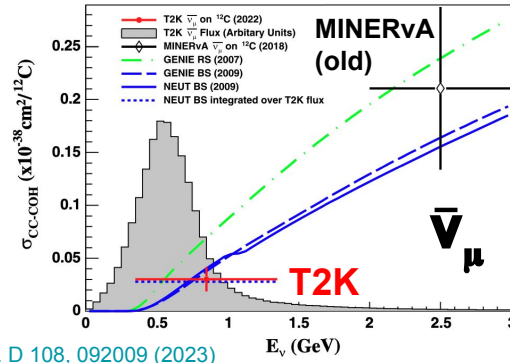
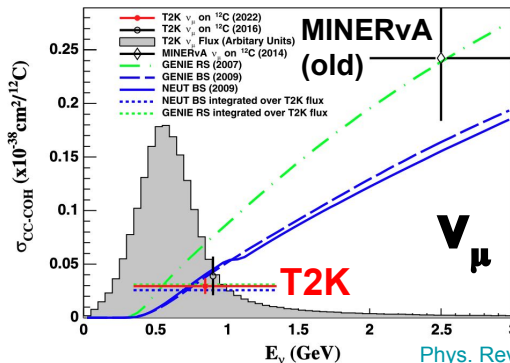
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Multi-beam modes



First measurements of CC-Coh for $\bar{\nu}$ below 1GeV

Lower energy (and lower stat) wrt MINERvA: single bin

But same CH target!

Summary and prospect

- Neutrino cross sections are a **very active and pretty fundamental field** to ensure neutrino oscillation experiment success
- A **variety of experiments** involved in the quest for the neutrino interaction understanding → complementarity of the measurement and sharing of best practice
- I had a very limited time to treat the vastity of new results in last two years: please enjoy **NuInt2024** talks and other talks from the sessions today and tomorrow → **so many progresses in only 2y!**
- An additional amount of new results are already in the pipeline from the mentioned experiments
- Also, new measurements from other experiments will come soon: **ICARUS**, **SBND**, **ArgonCube** (Argon), the ND280-Upgrade (CH), **NINJA** (water et al)
- Need to **act as a community together with theoreticians and generator developers**, (like **NuStec**)
- Amount of available data is increasing and complexifying: towards a **standardised Data Release format** for **data preservation** ~HepData