#### ECT GENIE FSI overview

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# GENIE FSI strategy

- For better comparisons, goal always for 2 codes which are compatible with neutrino codes.
  - hN is Intranuclear Cascade (INC, common in generators) and hA is data driven/simplified version (unique)
  - hA is fully reweightable, very fast
  - Both are fit to hadron-nucleus data. hN only recently available to public
- Advances slow, come when manpower available (Pitt undergrads, Tomek Golan)
- As of now, includes pions, K<sup>+</sup>, p, and n

# Why INC?

- Many body quantum mechanics is hard! Semiclassical approximation makes problem solvable.
- Good approximation when mean free path (mfp) large.
- Long history of agreement with data for which approximations shouldn't be valid, e.g.  $\pi \rightarrow \Delta(1232)$  where mfp smaller than inter-particle spacing.
- Low nucleon energy (KE<30 MeV) still an issue, FLUKA has interesting quantum corrections
- Medium corrections... successfully added for neutrino applications



## Recent history

- New versions of hA every year, always alternative model due to GENIE policy of no incremental changes to default
- V2.12.10 has preliminary versions of what will be in v3.0; hA2015 and hN2015
  - Add medium corrections for pions (Oset) and nucleons (Pandharipande/Pieper) to hN (incompatible with hA) (NuWro!)
  - For most applications, difference between 2015 and 2018 not large
- hA2018 and hN2018 are most recent versions, hA maintained as legacy code
- hN FSI results should be compatible with NuWro because Tomek Golan worked on both, not tested yet



## Medium corrections study

pions at resonance and low energy protons

- hN has medium corrections for  $\pi$ , p & hA has none
- hA models QE peak, hN has multiple scattering
- Medium corrections suppress multiple scattering, decrease cross section. Strong A dependence!
- Both hA2015 and hN2015 describe pA data much better



# Total reaction (inelastic) cross sections $\pi^{+}C$ and K^{+}C

- Very broad view of FSI
- Good pion data, very little K data
- $\pi^+$  has significant peak for  $\Delta$  excitation, none for K<sup>+</sup>
- Both hA2015 and hN2015 underpredict pion peak xs



# Total reaction (inelastic) cross sections pFe and nFe

- Both have significant strength for FSI, mfp~2fm
- Low energy enhancement described better by newer models, result is less rescattering



#### More detail for pions scattering vs. absorption

- hA has too much absorption, hA2015 uses these data as input, hN has too little absorption (feature of Oset model)
- hN2015 has too little scattering strength at low energy



#### Transmission study

- Transmission and hadron-nucleus are different and similar – in-medium vs. asymptotic.
- Some data for protons, none for pions.
- Use GENIE to place hadrons throughout nucleus, T is probability to escape without FSI. Blue adds medium corrections to green, hA is red
- Significant difference among GENIE pFe models, medium effects matter!

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Effects for πFe are smaller



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### Neutrino results (1 GeV $v_{\mu}$ Fe)

- Events, not cross sections. Shape most important.
- Medium effects are significant for both
- For pA, hN has compound nucleus at low energies similar to more sophisticated models



### Future additions

#### INCL++ is modern European hadron-nucleus code

- Has advanced medium corrections
- Handles deuteron, triton, alpha....
- Final validations underway, should be in v3.2
- GEANT is used by most neutrino experiments for simulations of particle propagation in detectors
  - Largely designed for higher energies than needed for v detectors
  - Handles deuteron, triton, alpha....
  - Final validations underway, hopefully will be in v3.2
- Will use to improve hN, hA some features already in hN2018



#### summary

#### GENIE FSI has developed slowly with an overall plan

#### Presently hA (unique) and hN (equivalent to NuWro?)

- Makes interesting comparisons possible since hN should have better physics, but both have similar agreement with hadron data
- Add medium corrections to approximate QM aspects?!?
- Existing versions (hA2018, hN2018) still under development but set for v3.0 as of now
- Changes hA→hA2014→hA2015 don't have significant changes to vA simulations
- hN2018 and hA2018 have interesting differences, still being studied and improved



## Double differential cross sections (pion)

- More detail here, tests dynamics in addition to strength
- ▶ hA and hN very similar because quasielastic scattering  $(\pi N \rightarrow \pi N)$  and absorption  $(\pi d \rightarrow NN)$  dominate



## Double differential cross sections (p & n)

- These are hard to get right, complicated dynamics
- Improved treatment for low energy nucleon FSI

