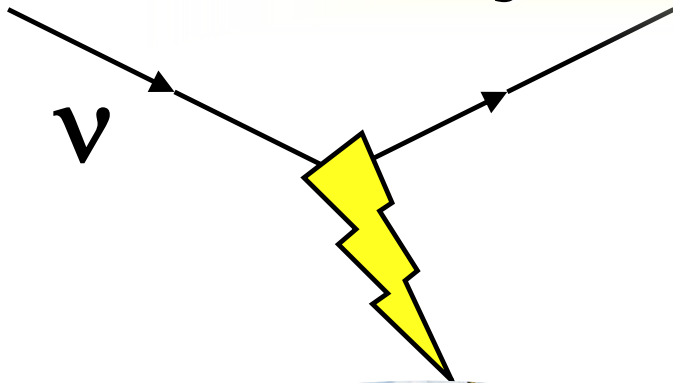
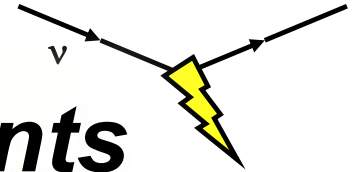


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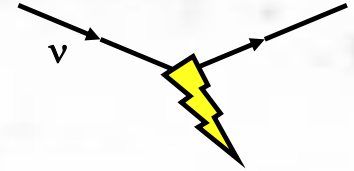
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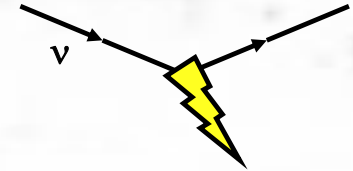
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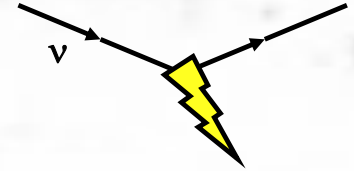


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Jeremy regrets joining The Swiss Army.

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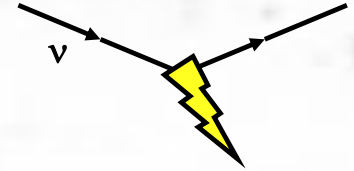


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(yes, foodie me is aware this is a fictional sign, but it reminds me so much of real Chicago...)

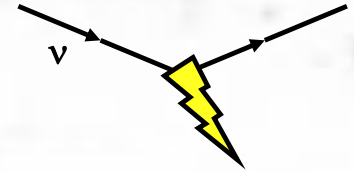
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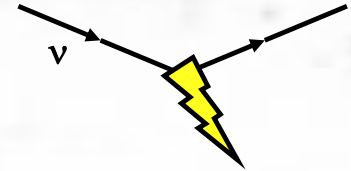


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 - Long-last Beatles album subtitle?

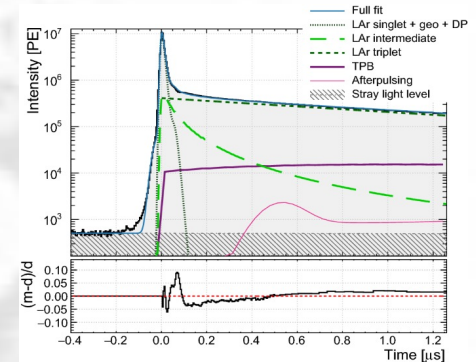


♪ Help! We need
some plastic.
Help! Not just any
plastic. ♪

Thoughts about What The Title Might Mean



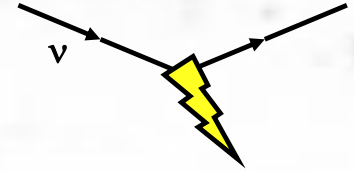
- Experiments arguably have bifurcated between two different detector technologies for neutrino interactions.
- Why liquid argon (not my remit)?
 - Though slow to read out (even for a large portion of the scintillation light!), liquid argon charge imaging resolution is better than a ton-scale scintillator detector.
- It follows that there must be some other advantage(s) for plastic scintillator detectors since we keep building them.



e.g., DEAP-360 light model,
Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 303 (2020)

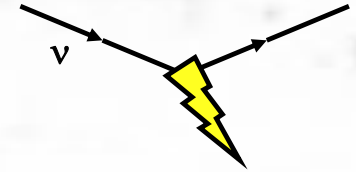
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Signature Advantages of CH-Scintillator

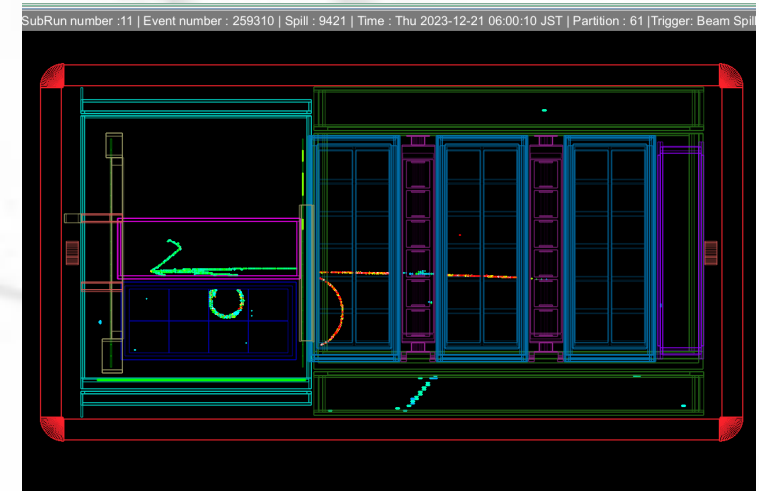
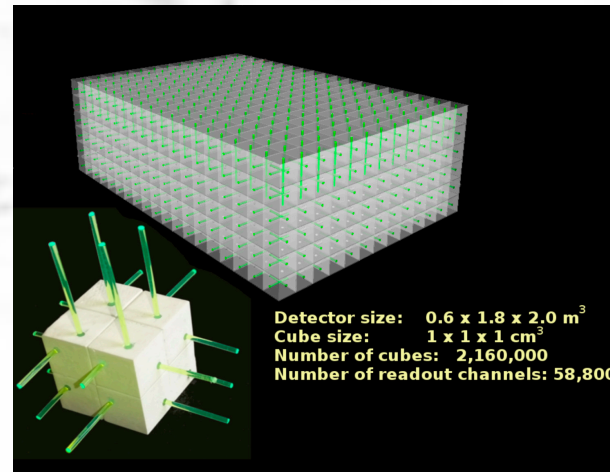
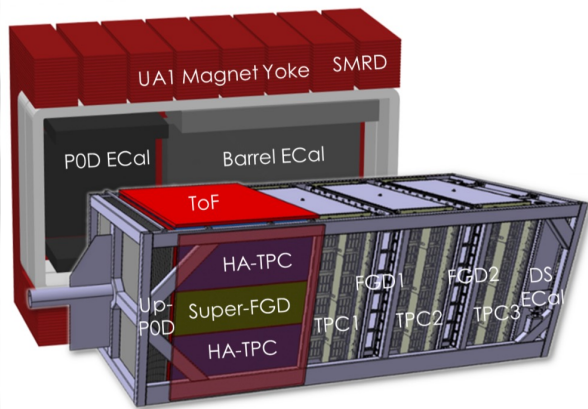


- Inherently low-background fast readout, which leads to...
 - High-rate capability.
 - Easy separation and correct association of sub-events with $\mathcal{O}(\text{ns})$ resolution for neutrons, stopped K^+ , and of course stopped μ^\pm
- **Malleable and configurable** (what's the word I'm looking for? oh, right, "plastic")
 - Easily segmented, up to channel count considerations.
 - Other materials can be incorporated to study how neutrino interactions compare on different nuclei.
 - Can be paired with other detectors (without cryogenic containment in the way) for purposes such as tracking in a magnetic field.

An Illustration of Both Principles



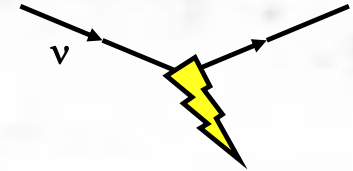
- T2K ND280 (upgraded) detector for T2K/HK configurable, fast CH scintillator.
- The SuperFGD 3D pixelated scintillator is interspersed with gaseous tracking in a magnetic field for charge ID and high resolution dE/dx PID.
- The SuperFGD also has excellent neutron capability, including time-of-flight momentum reconstruction (more later).



Topics for this CH review

FAST!

CONFIGURABLE!



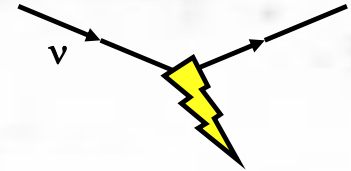
Now how much would I pay?



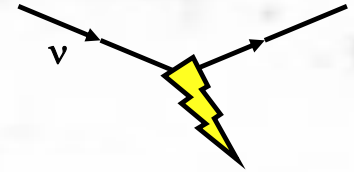
- Tagged π^+ reconstruction.
- Electron and muon neutrino comparisons.
- Multiply differential reaction measurements.
- Neutron reconstruction
- Comparisons among nuclei.
 - and free protons too!

Maybe the organizers also expected this, but most of my examples will be related to work I know best from MINERvA or T2K. Sorry if this unintentionally leaves your work out..

And why those matter for DUNE and HK



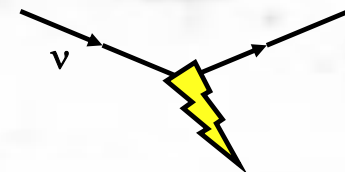
- Neutron reconstruction and tagged π^+ reconstruction...
 - Because oscillation experiment far detectors may not respond uniformly to all particles, leading to energy misestimation from the final state.
- Electron to muon neutrino comparisons...
 - Because both DUNE and HK will extrapolate their observed muon neutrino reactions to predict electron neutrinos.
- Massively differential measurements...
 - Because they test correlation of probe (lepton) and target (hadron) sides of the interaction, which is also important for energy reconstruction.
- Comparison of nuclei (and hydrogen too!)...
 - Because they help us build a more predictive nuclear model.



π^+ Tagging and Production Cross-Sections

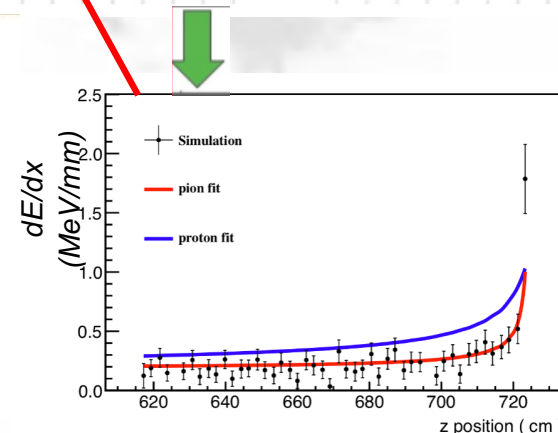
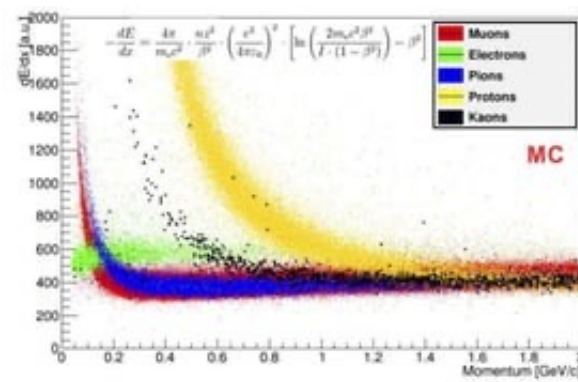
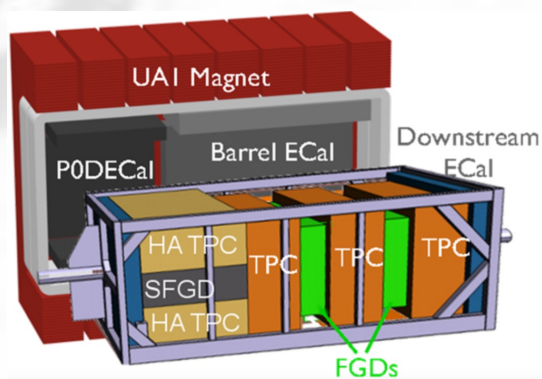
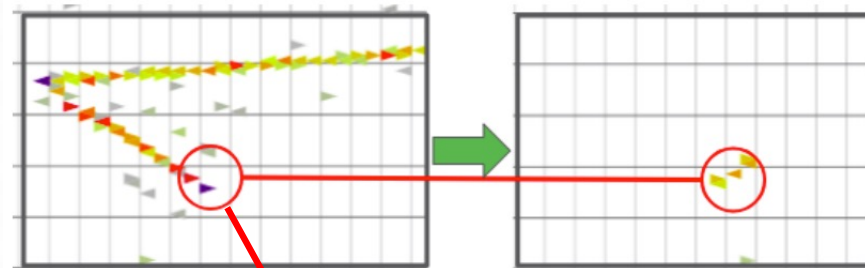
(important for calorimetry and event selection in oscillation experiments)

How do we identify π^+ in CH?

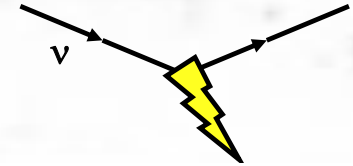


- Broadly speaking, we can identify the Michel electrons from $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \rightarrow e^+$, or from energy loss dE/dx along a track.
- T2K's dE/dx is particularly outstanding...gaseous TPC tracking!

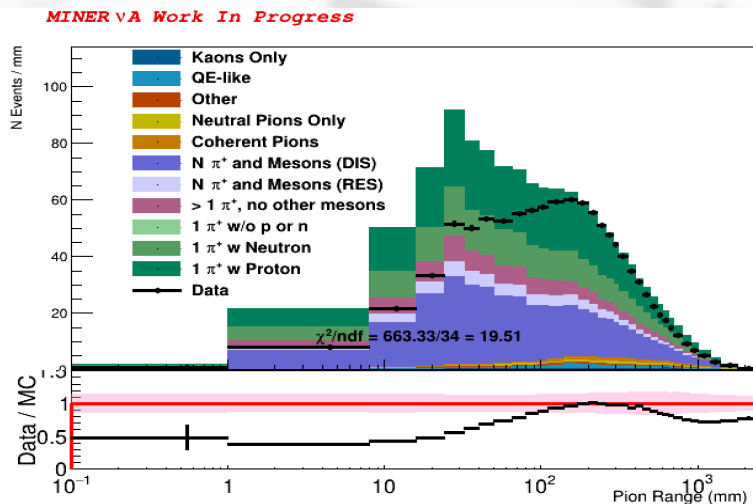
MINERvA's techniques



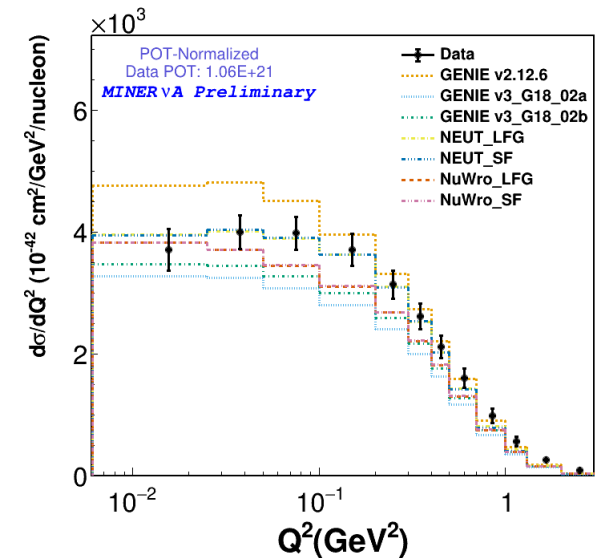
A few π^+ Results...



- Generator predictions don't do a fantastic job in giving a clear and accurate prediction for the T_π and Q^2 distributions for these events.
- Examples in progress from MINERvA...

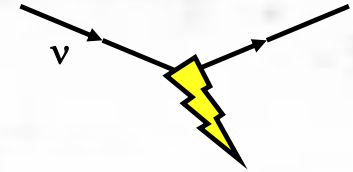


MINERvA Preliminary,
Harris NuINT24



- At low Q^2 , data is helpful for model selection, but see a wide variation.
- T_π below tracking threshold seems very poorly modeled.

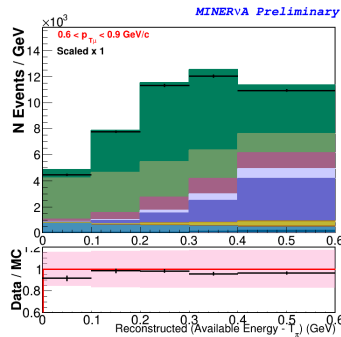
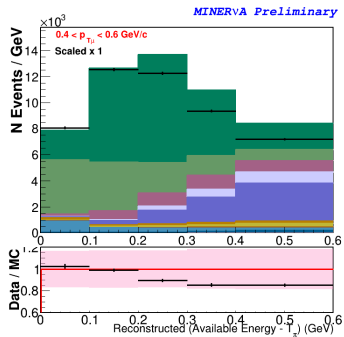
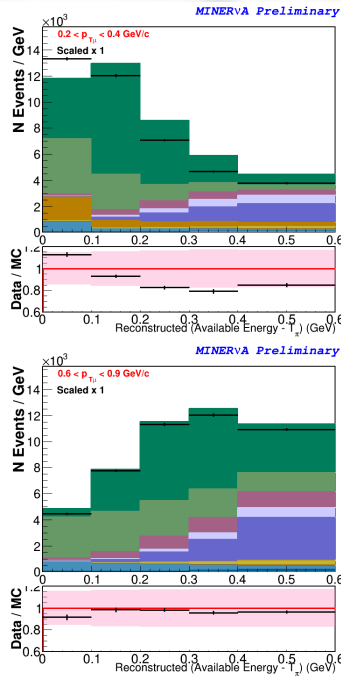
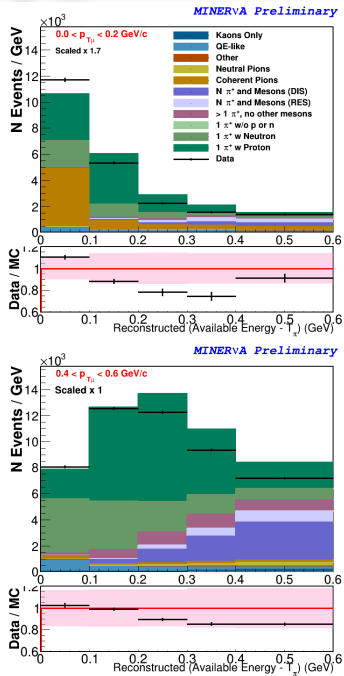
One last MINERvA π^+ result in progress...



- Look at visible energy associated with the π^+ .
- Over prediction of this energy at low p_T ?

$$E_{avail} = \sum T_p + \sum T_{\pi^{+/-}} + \sum E_{particles}$$

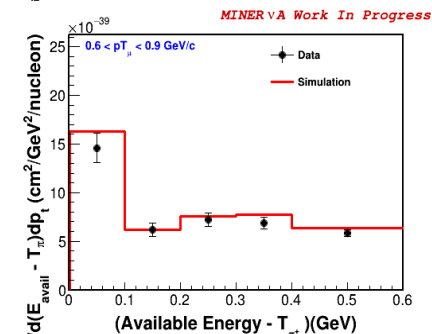
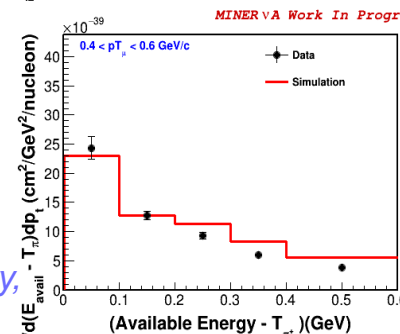
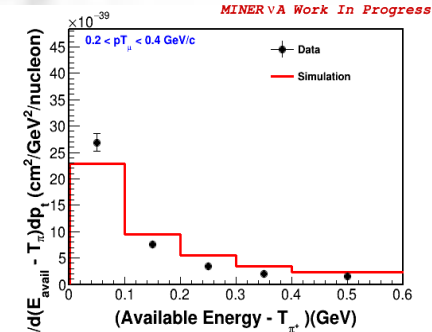
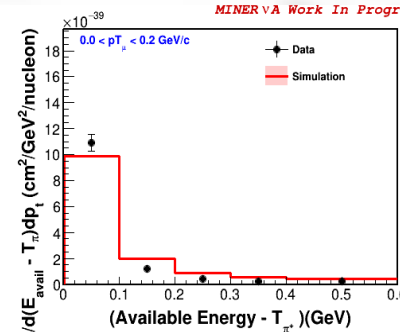
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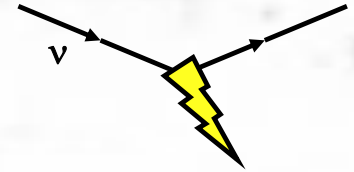


events, to
cross-section



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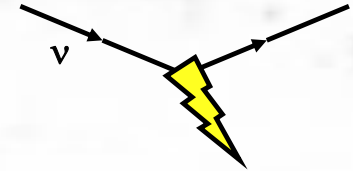




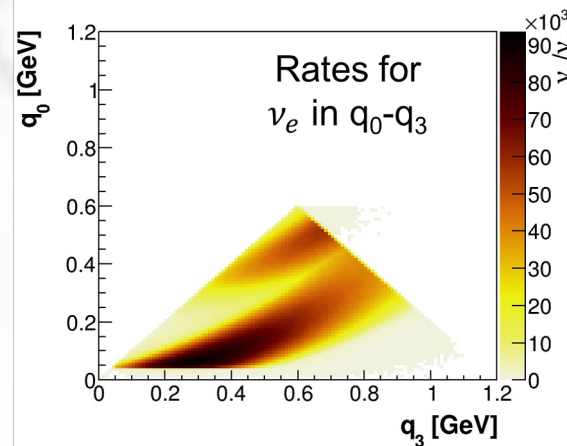
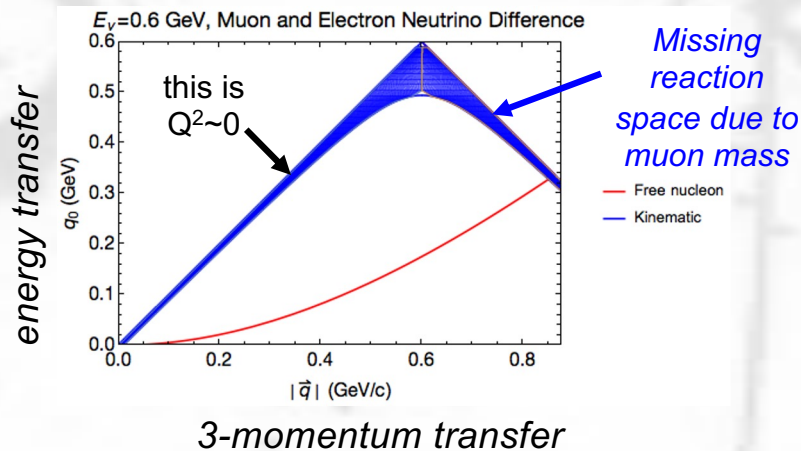
Electron and Muon Flavors

*(in American English, it's not only irony
to note that there is no "u" in "flavor")*

The ν_e Problem



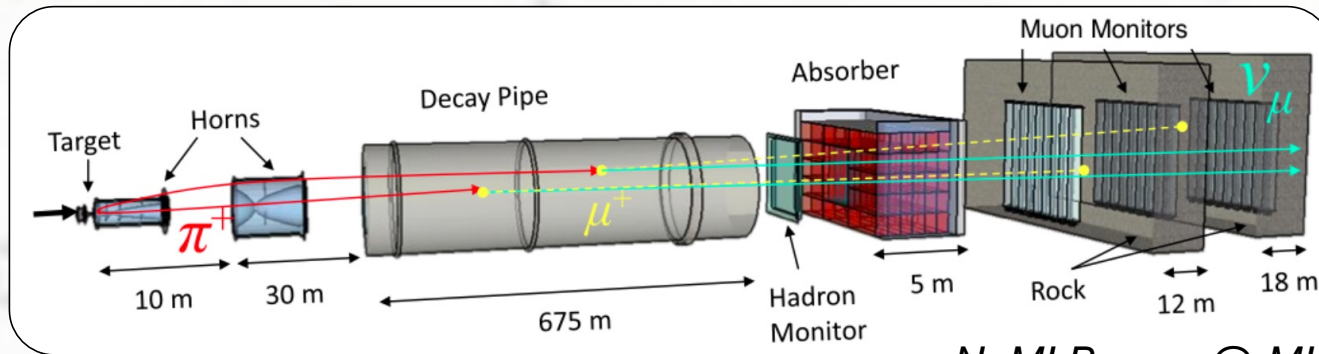
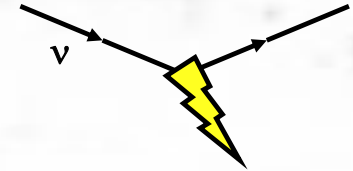
- By necessity, our ν_μ rich beams have few ν_e in them to allow us to study any difference between ν_μ and ν_e interactions.
- Therefore, we infer ν_e interactions from studies of ν_μ
- But what we study can't give us the whole picture.
- Phase space (below), radiative corrections, nuclear effects.



Radiative corrections:
O. Tomalak et al.,
Nature Commun. 13 (2022) 1, 5286
and *Phys.Rev.D* 106 (2022) 9, 093006

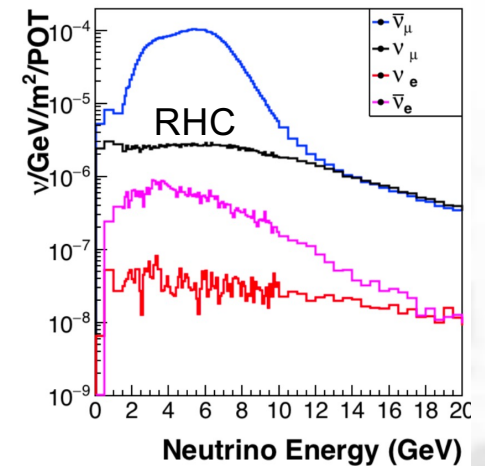
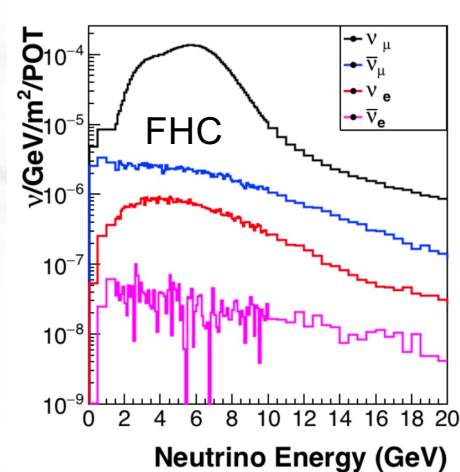
Nuclear effects:
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MINERvA: Electron Neutrino Flux

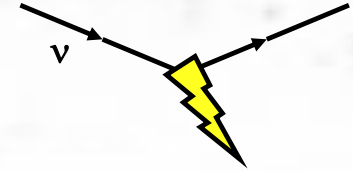


NuMI Beams @ MINERvA

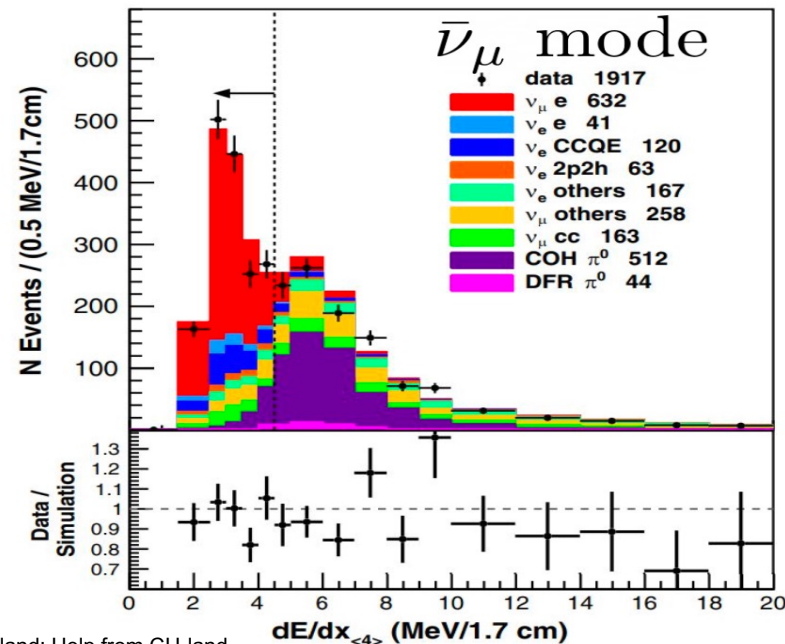
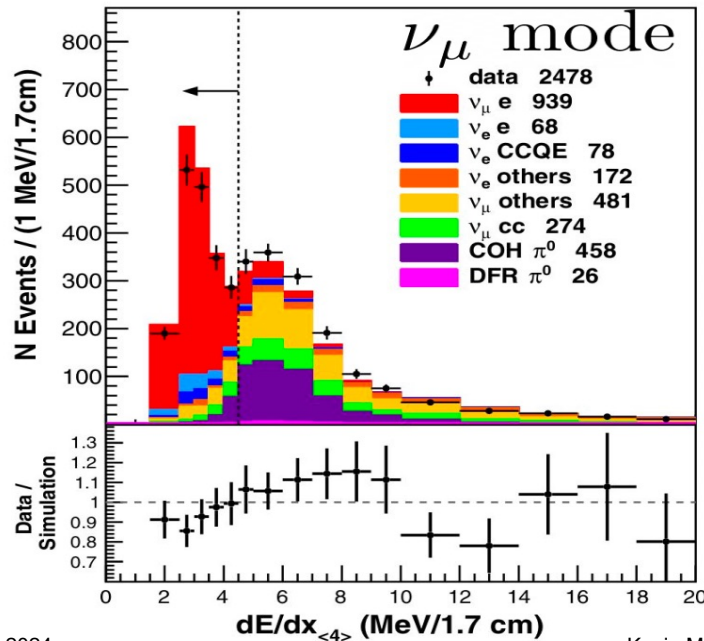
- NuMI is a “conventional” neutrino beam, with most neutrinos produced from focused pions.
- Pions decay mostly to muons, but weak decays involving electrons come from daughter muons or kaons.
- ~1% contribution of the beam.



Electron/Photon Separation in $\nu e^- \rightarrow \nu e^-$

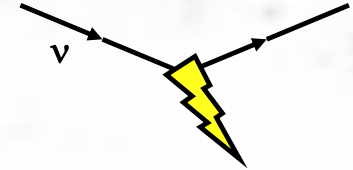


- Background from production neutral pions is manageable with dE/dx in scintillator, even with an electron energy threshold of 800 MeV.
- In Liquid argon TPCs, separation by dE/dx is surprisingly(?) similar.



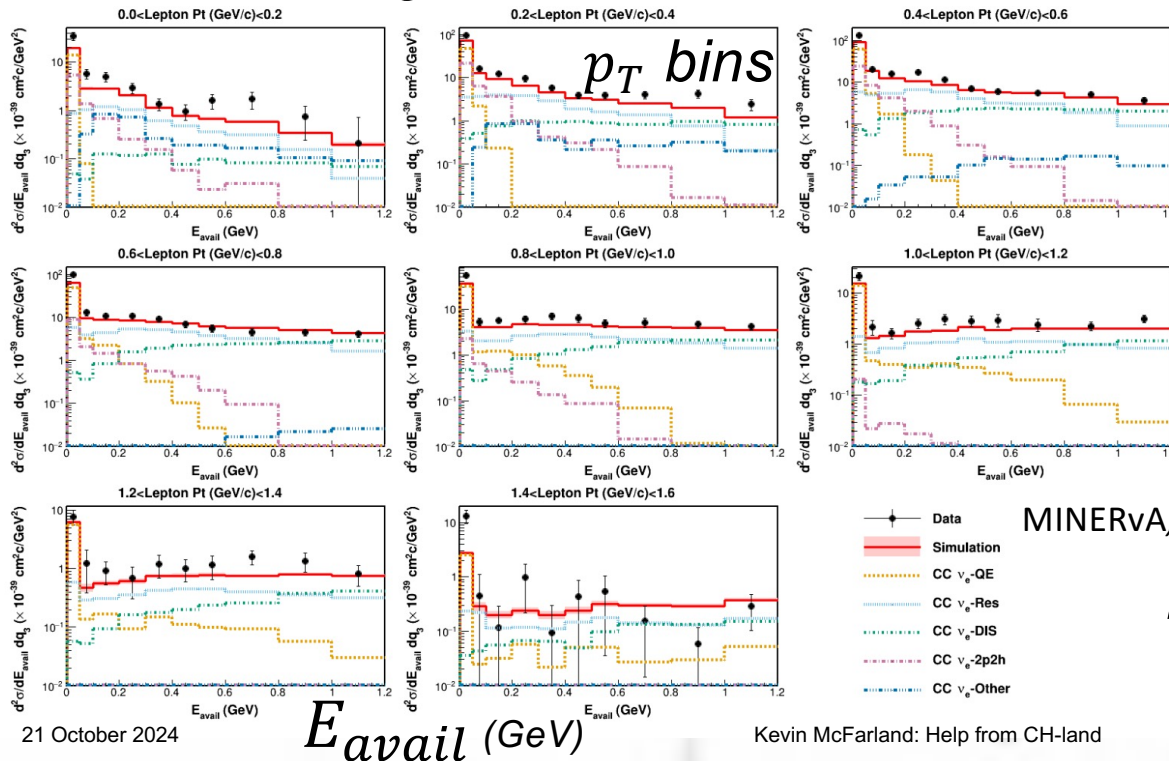
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Antineutrino Cross Section



- After background subtractions, unfolding flux and targets calculation...

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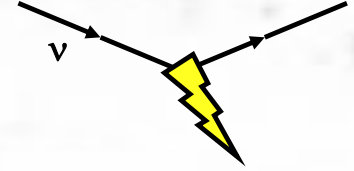


- Measured cross-section in electron p_T bins (0.2 GeV/c width, from 0 to 1.6 GeV/c) of available calorimetric energy, E_{avail} .
 - The “usual” MINERvA prescription for this is used.
- Peaked at zero for antineutrino (quasielastic neutron knockout).

MINERvA, *Phys.Rev.D* 109 (2024) 9, 092008

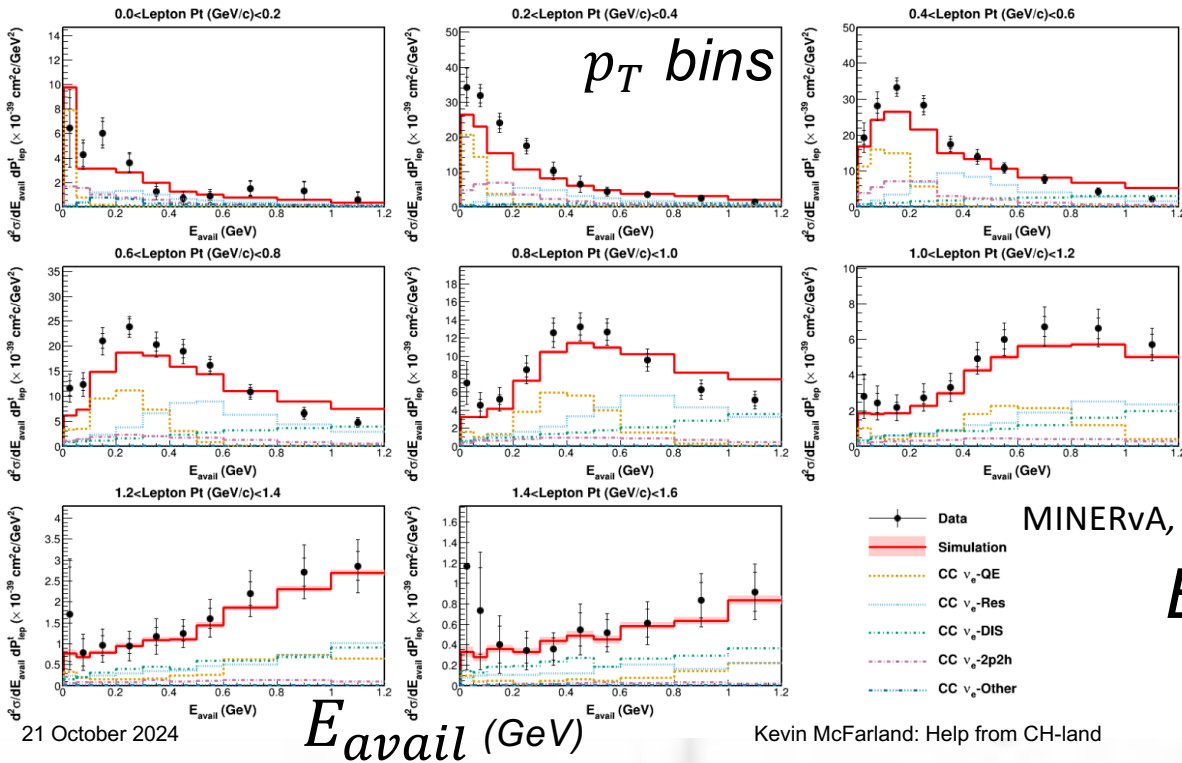
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Neutrino Cross Section



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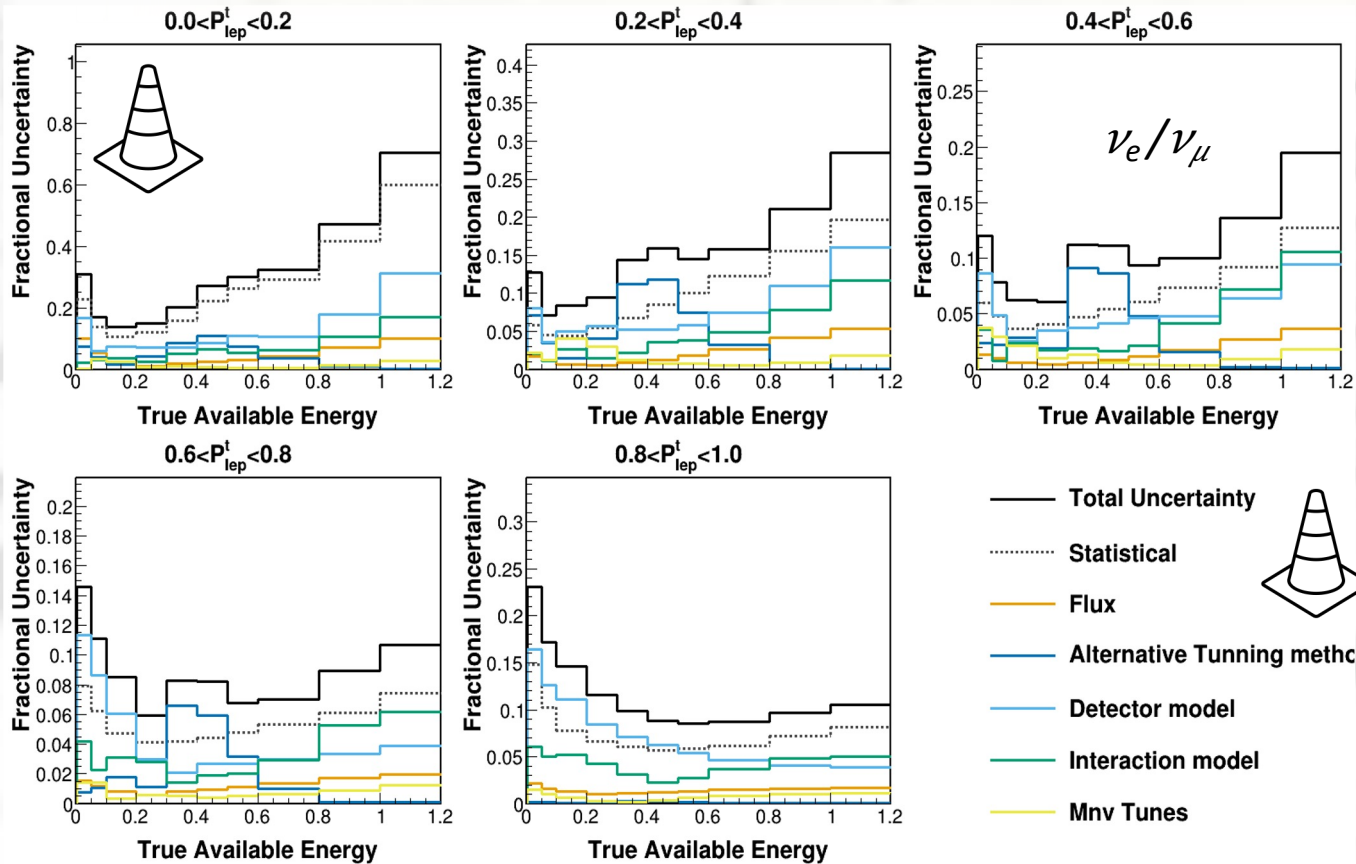
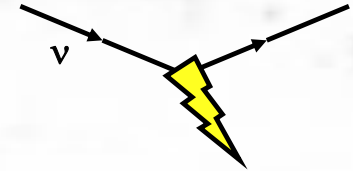
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- Quasielastic peak shifts with p_T . As with antineutrino, inelastic is high E_{avail} .

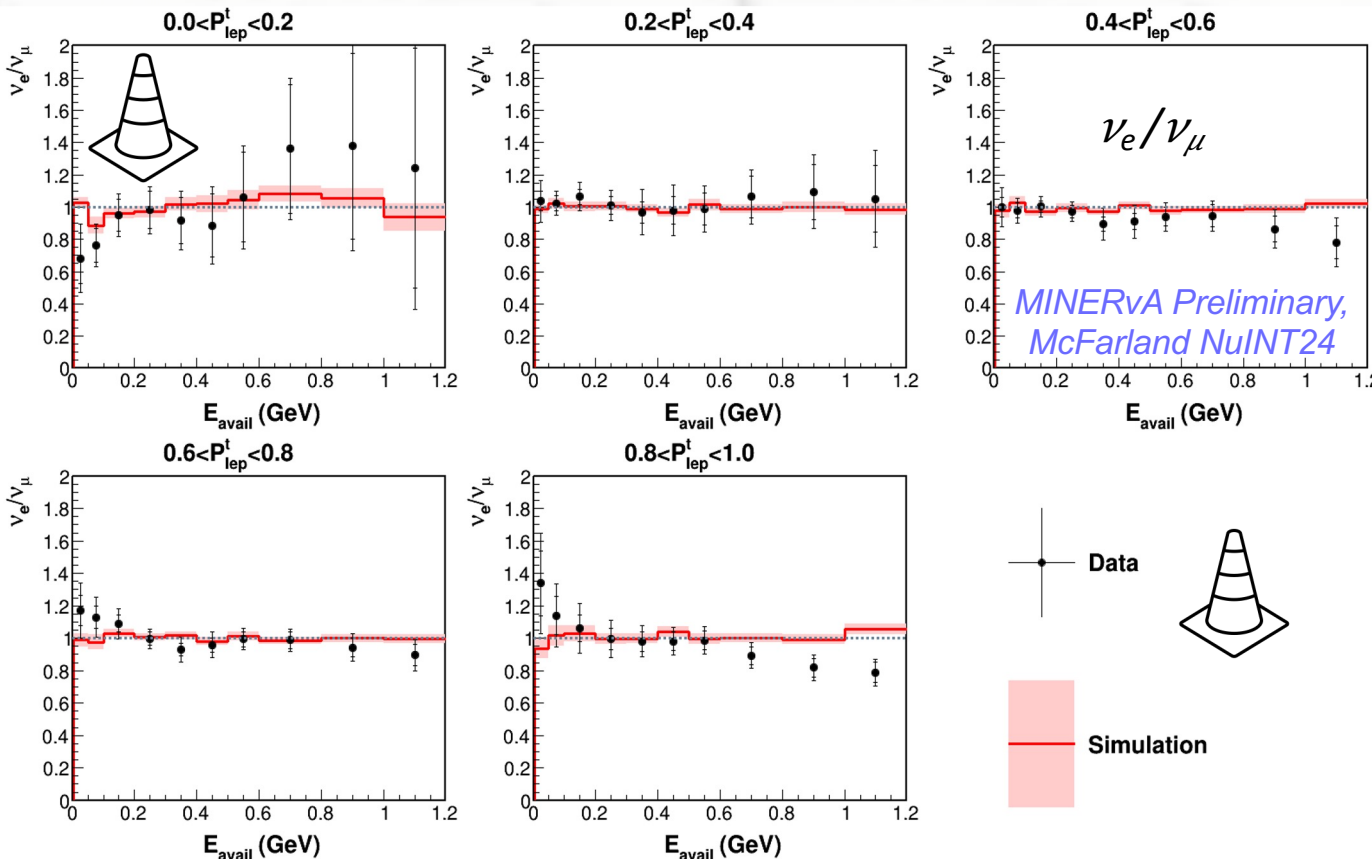
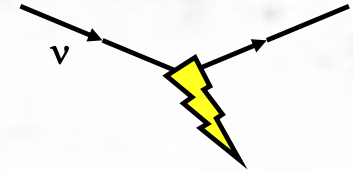
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MINERvA: Uncertainties on ν_e/ν_μ



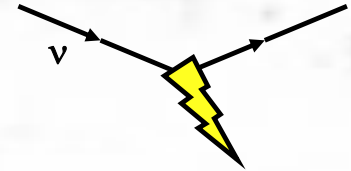
- These are preliminary, and so far only for neutrinos.
- Systematic uncertainties are ~subdominant, at least in any given bin.
- Detector model (muon energy scale) becomes significant. But flux and interaction models are small uncertainties.

MINERvA ν_e/ν_μ Ratios

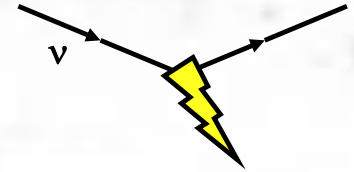


- Preliminary.
- Cross-sections in panels of p_T^l as a function of “available energy”, energy in calorimetrically visible particles, e.g., not neutrons.
- Simulation predicts a ratio very close to one dominated by statistical uncertainties.
- Testing the confidence of generators 😊.

Flavor (or color?) commentary



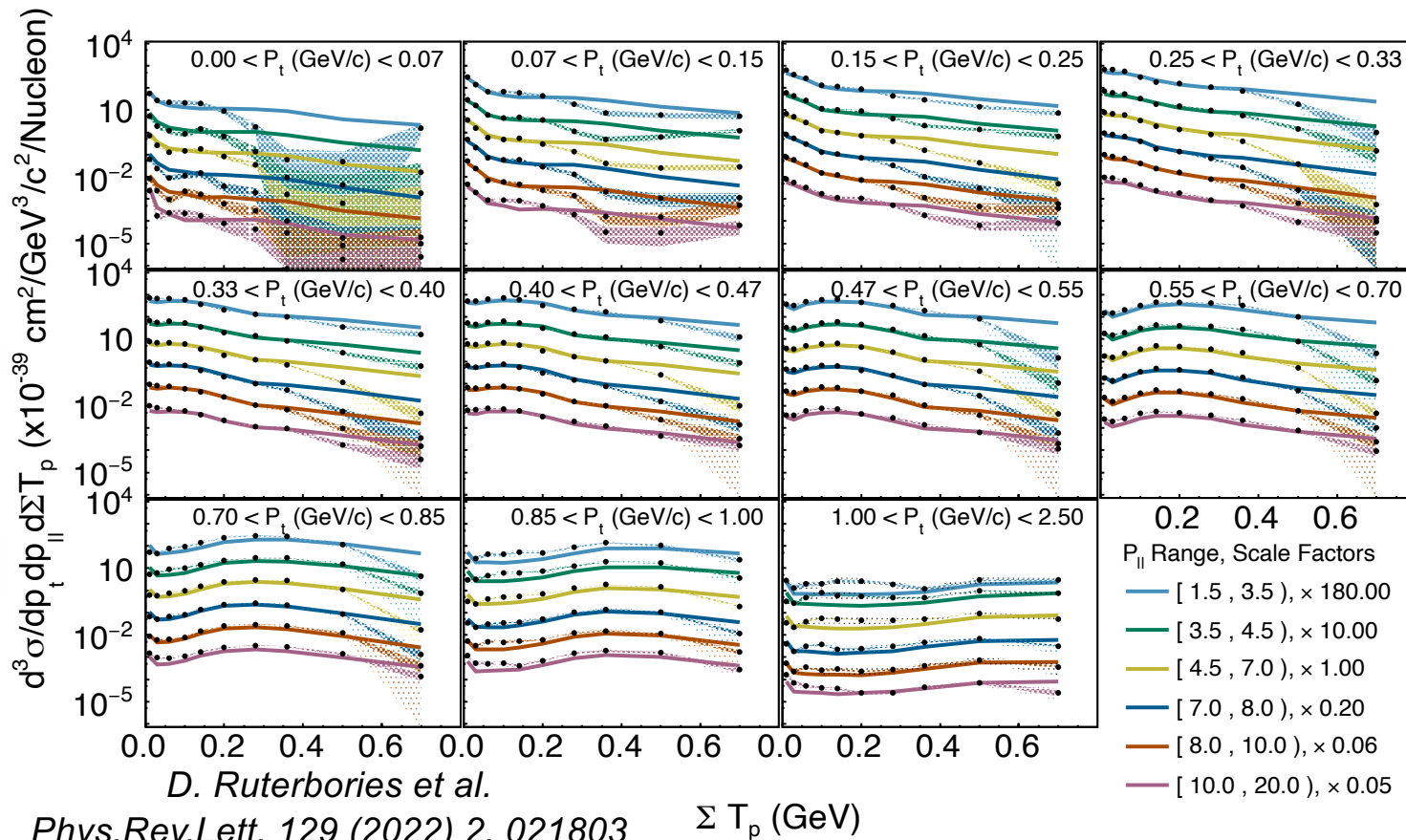
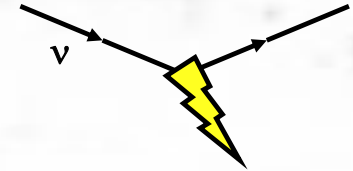
- I've given one (MINERvA) example, but T2K, MicroBooNE, and NOvA (in order of increasing statistics) are active early explorers.
- The MINERvA inclusive measurement has $\sim 10\%$ uncertainties in many bins across a wide range of recoil and transverse momenta, with systematic uncertainties $\sim \text{few}\%$ in the high statistics bins.
 - We need to do better than that by factors of two or three in order to interpret oscillation experiments with experimental confirmation of flavor dependence of cross-sections.
- With very high statistics from future beams, supplemented by far off-axis samples (enriched in ν_e) from SBN (ICARUS) and MicroBooNE, we can make a go at this. Still very difficult.



Multiply Differential Measurements

*(if need to use both the lepton and recoil
to learn about neutrino energy, don't we
need to know how they are correlated?)*

MINERvA "3D" CC0 π $\Sigma T_p, p_T, p_{\parallel}$

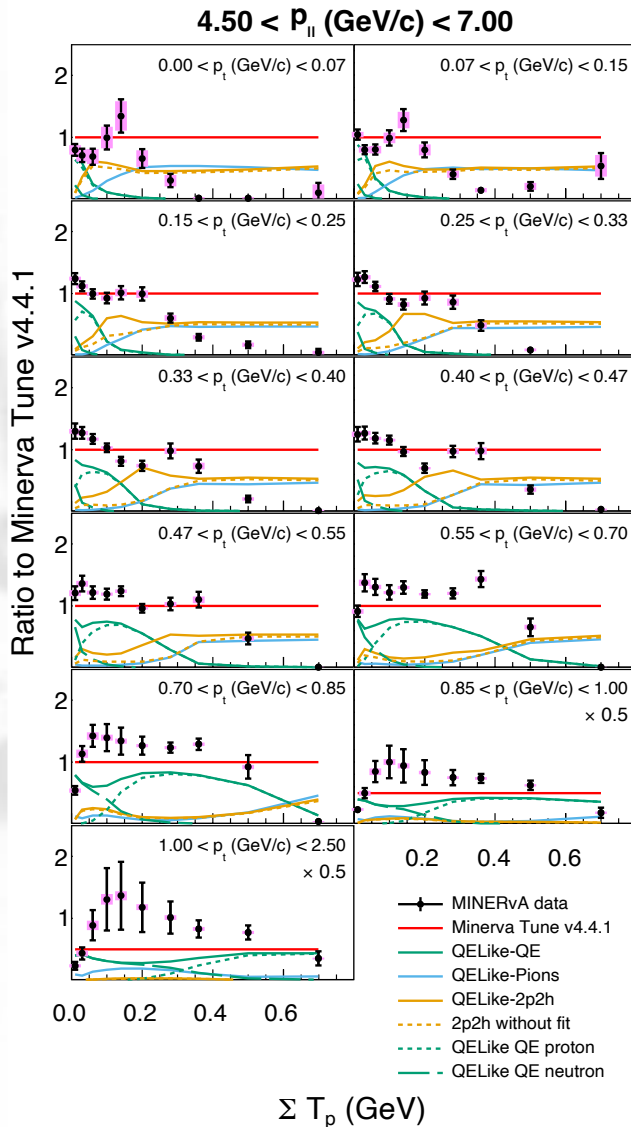
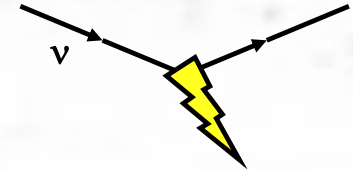


- *Transverse and longitudinal lepton momenta, and visible (proton) energy.*
- *The trends we see are independent of p_{\parallel} , suggesting they are not strongly energy dependent.*
- *Easier see in a single bin of p_{\parallel}*

Results: $CC0\pi \Sigma T_p, p_T, p_{\parallel}$

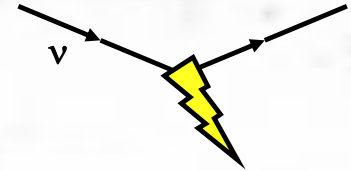
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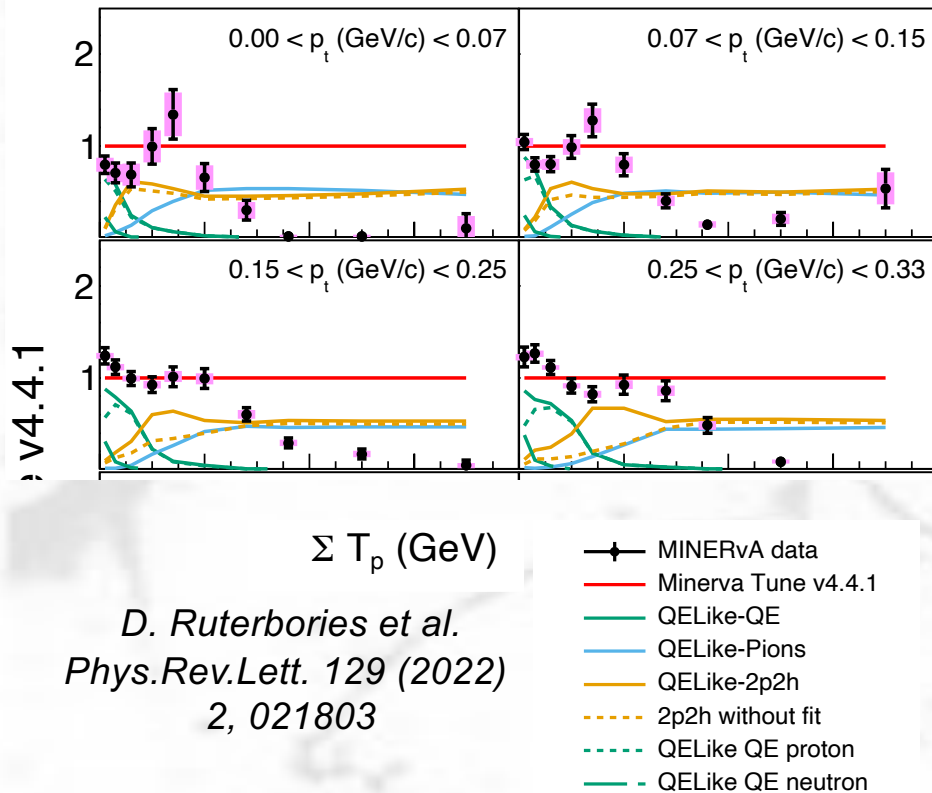


- The biggest change in cross-section, though not in the ratio, are the small deviations just above the QE peak. Maybe MINERvA's tune was affected by non- $CC0\pi$ events? Or...?
- Low p_T high ΣT_p events predicted by the model as 2p2h and stopped pions are almost completely absent in the data.
- Highest p_T low ΣT_p events, events where the leading proton's energy ends up as neutrons through final state interactions, are also very overpredicted.

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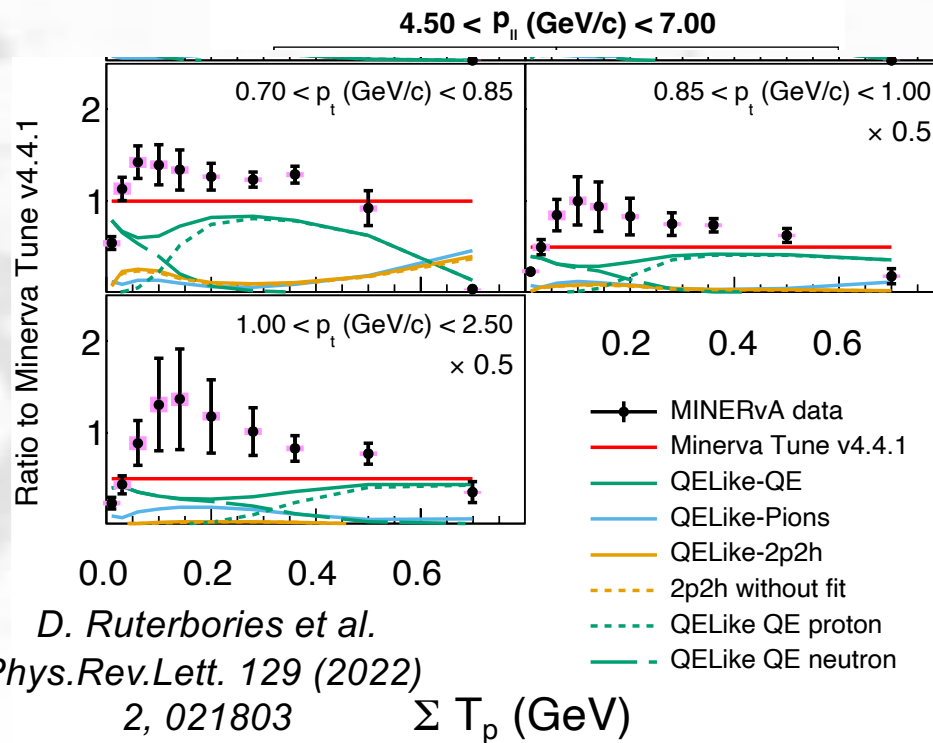
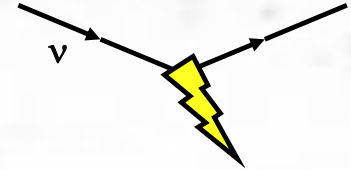


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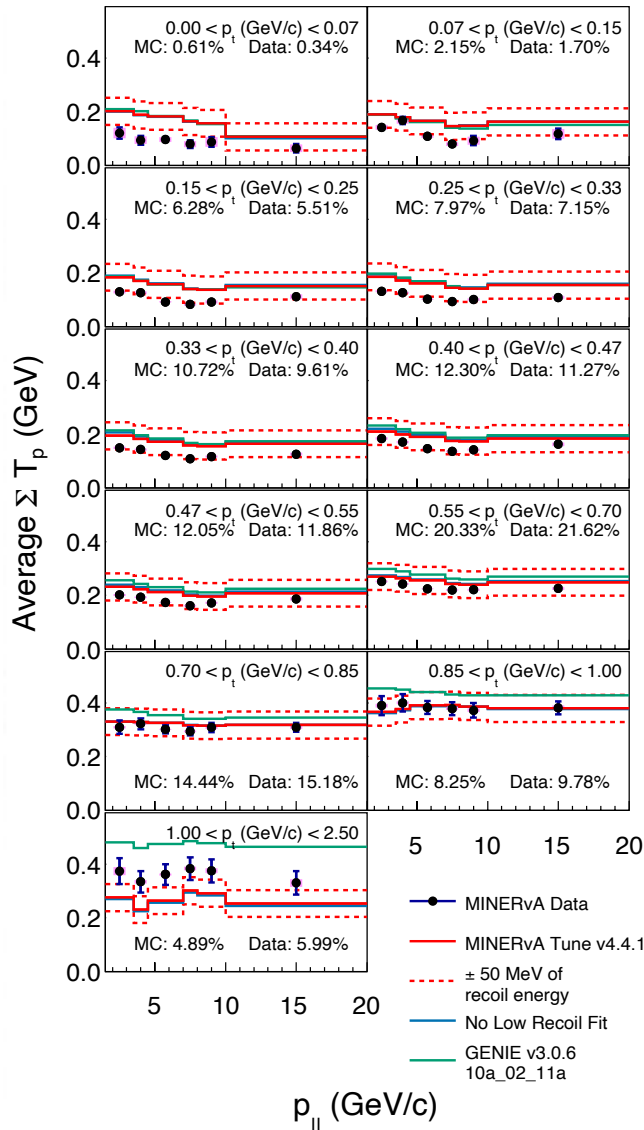
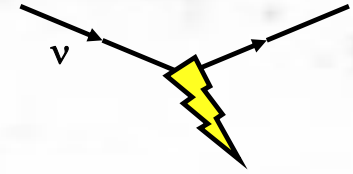
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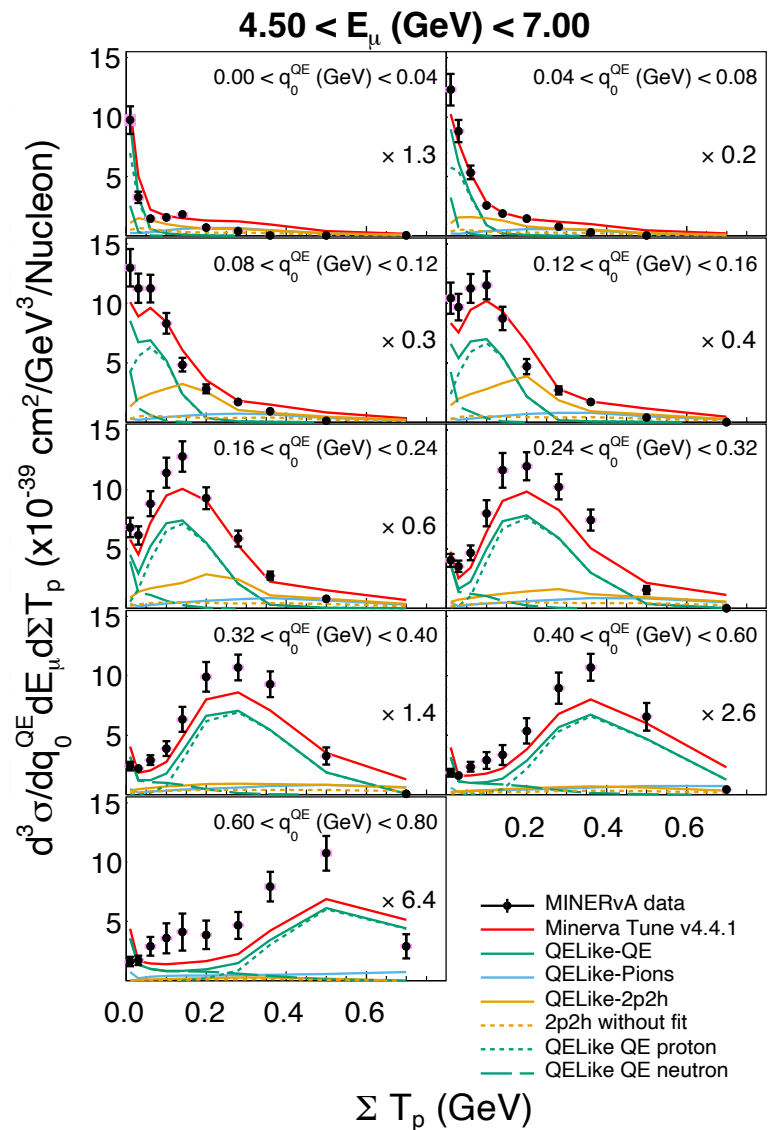


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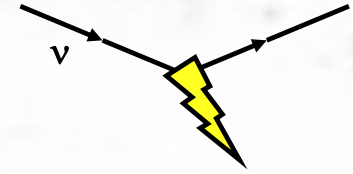
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- D. Ruterbories et al. Phys.Rev.Lett. 129 (2022) 2, 021803*
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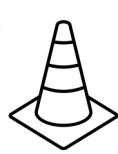
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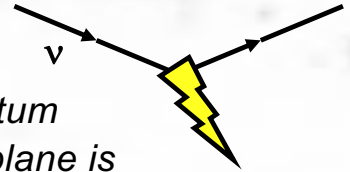
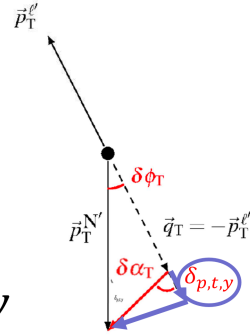
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- We can actually directly compare the two types of energy measures: recoil in bins of q_0^{QE} .
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 - Peaks are missed at low p_T .
 - High side tail is overestimated and low side is underestimated.

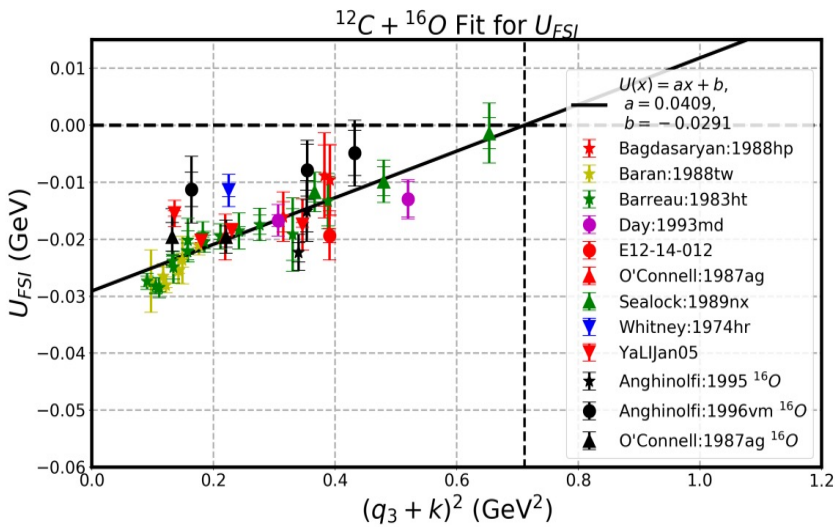
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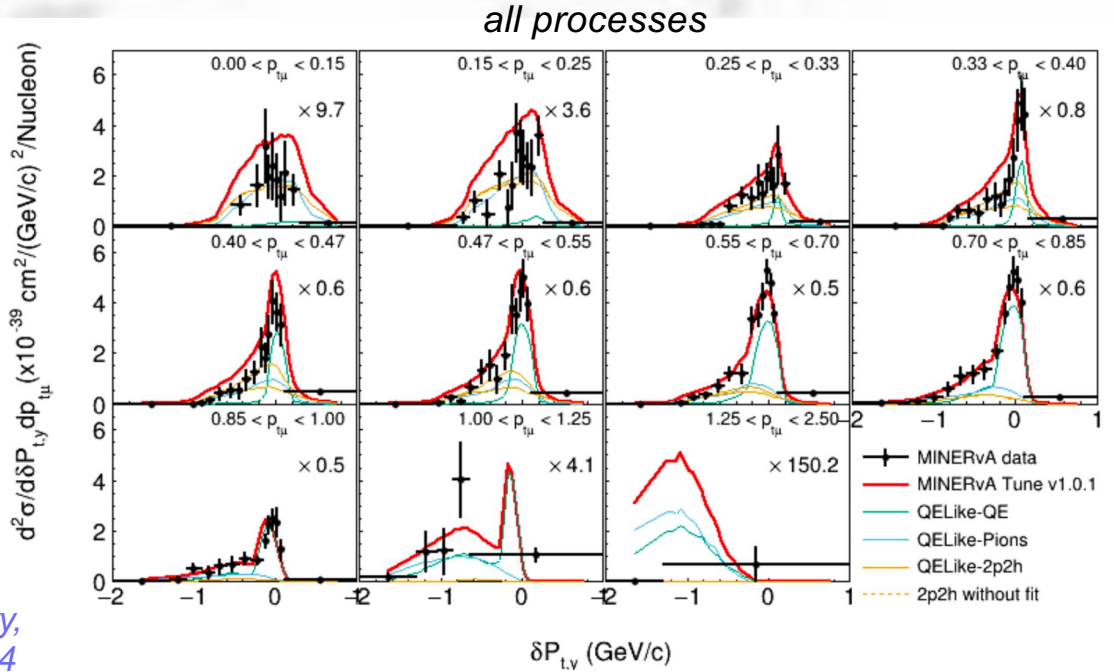


Transverse momentum imbalance in reaction plane is sensitive to Fermi motion and (bias) from removal energy. Expect momentum dependence.

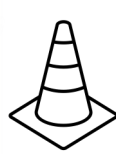


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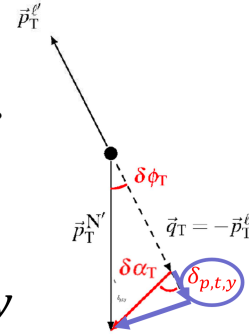
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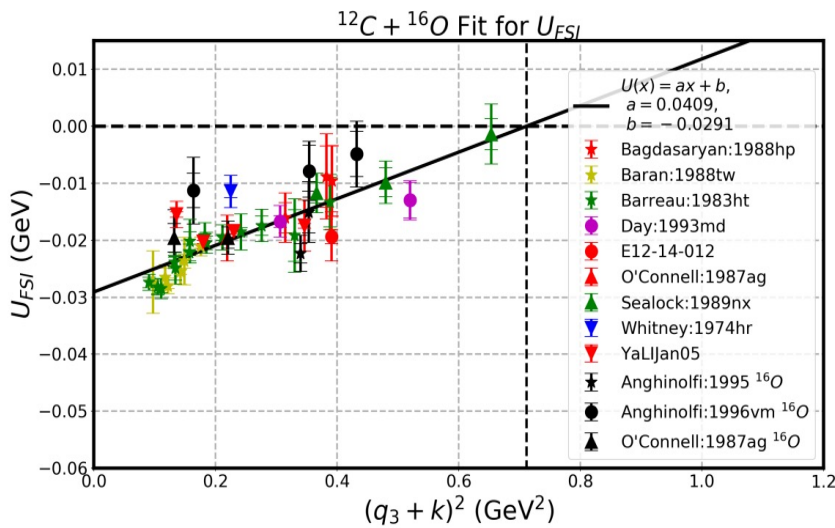
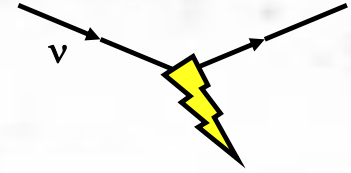
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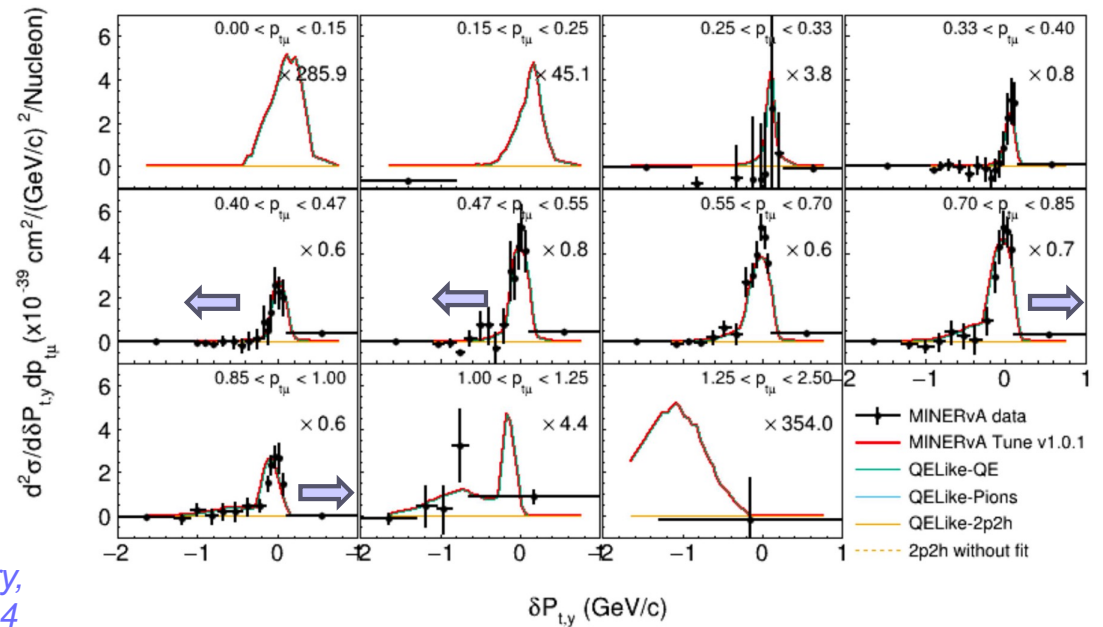
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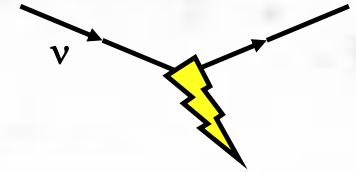


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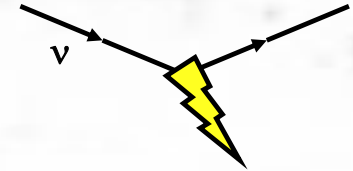




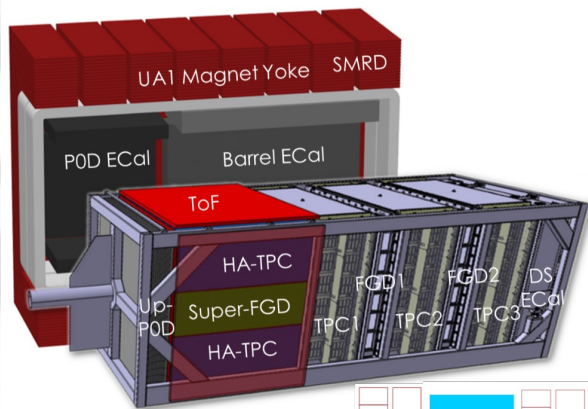
Different Nuclei

*(and how different are they
for our purposes?)*

Is a nucleus a nucleus a nucleus?

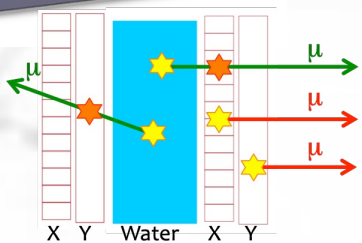


- Details of nuclei, such as energies and momenta of individual nucleons within the nucleus, vary.
- But we are beginning to see some consistencies in how models describe different nuclei equally well (or equally poorly).



T2K
CH/H₂O

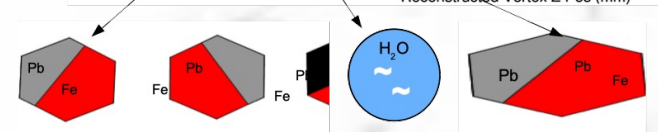
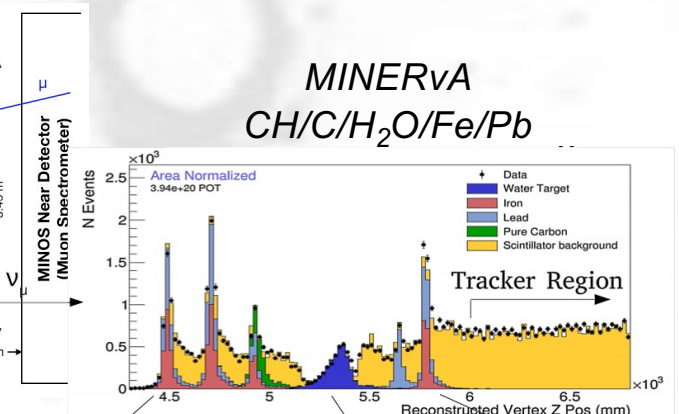
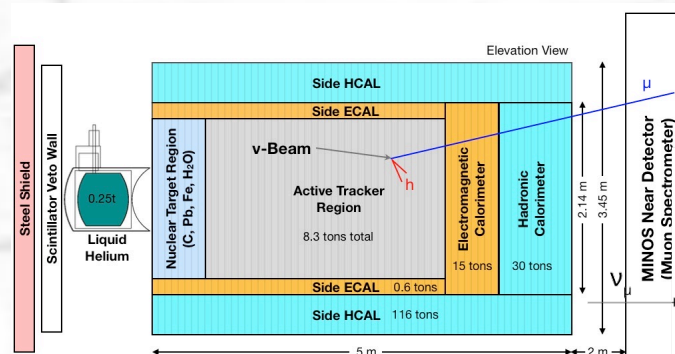
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CC π in water: first muon hit in X layer

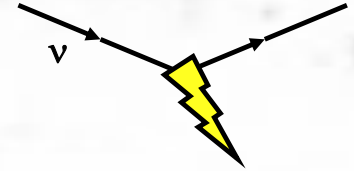
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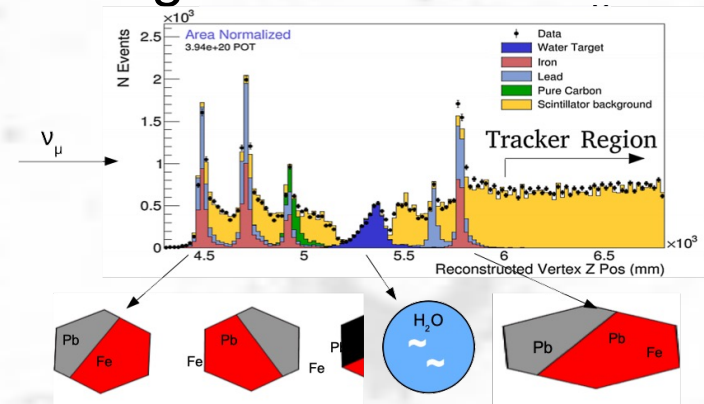
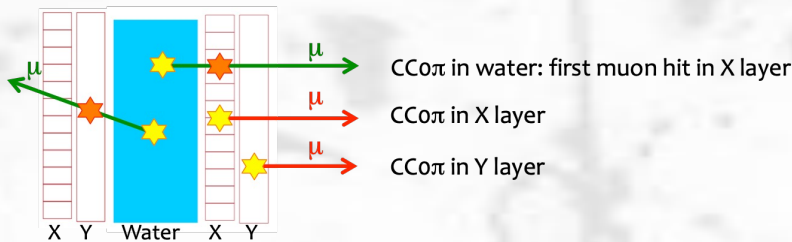


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CH Detector and Passive Targets

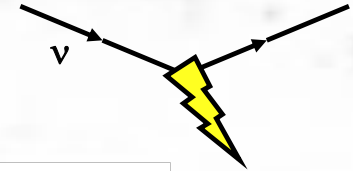


- Experiments with passive interspersed targets use a vertex and background subtraction technique.

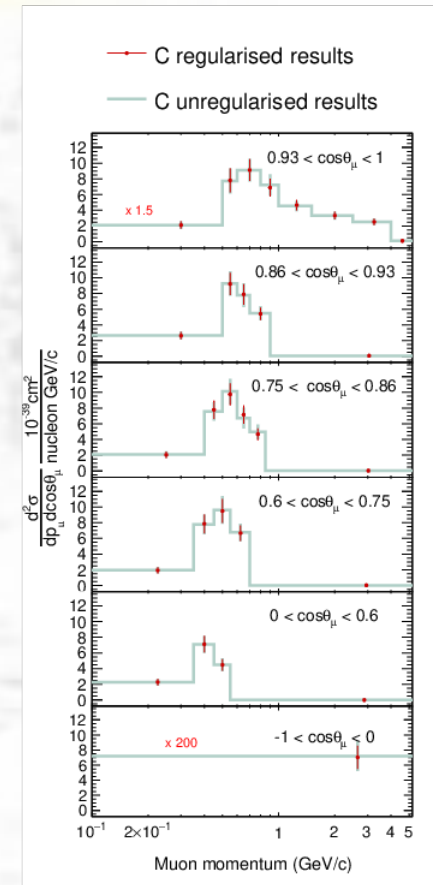
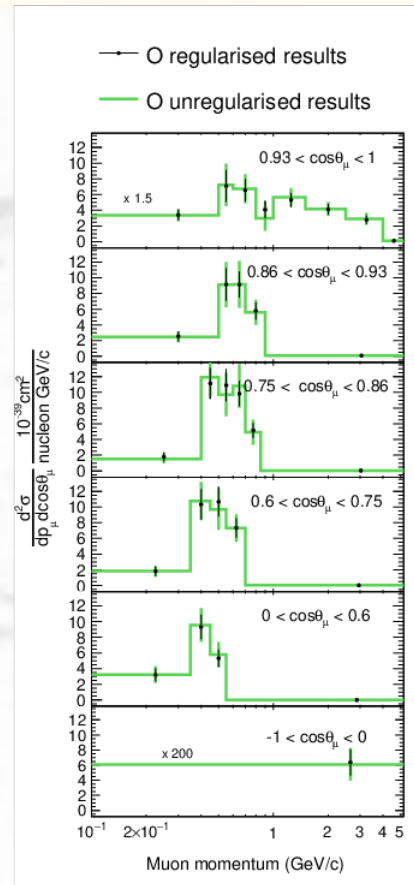


- Can control the backgrounds, at least in part, by reconstructing scintillator events adjacent in detector to the passive target.

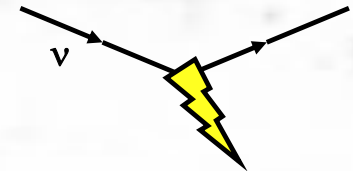
T2K CC0 π CH vs H₂O



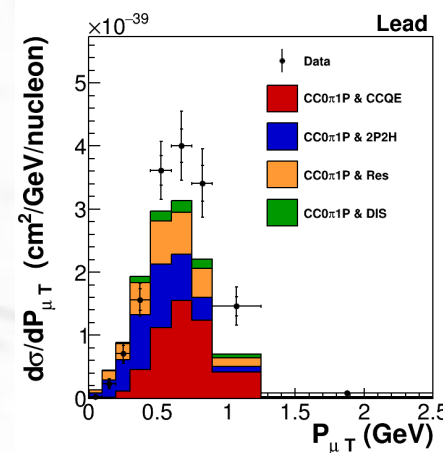
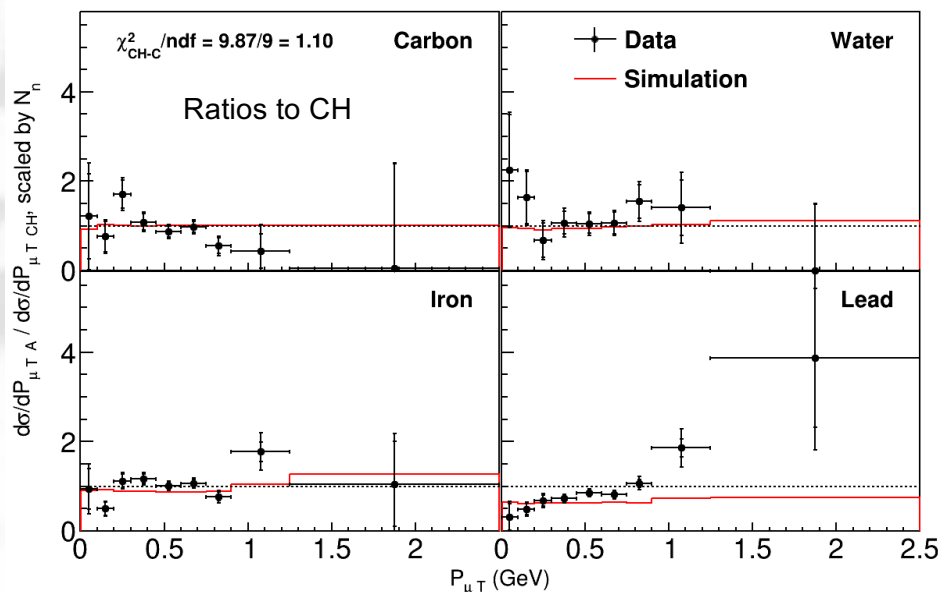
- T2K compares CC0 π cross-sections on its CH vs H₂O.
 - Labeled “O” and “C” since there is no neutrino CC0 π cross-section on hydrogen.
- Measurements directly check lepton kinematic differences since in the same beam.
 - Consistent with model within uncertainties.
 - Same beam is very important for reducing uncertainties!



MINERvA $CC0\pi$ {C, H₂O, Fe, Pb}/CH



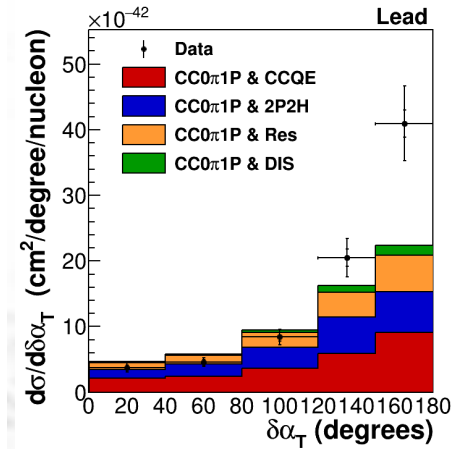
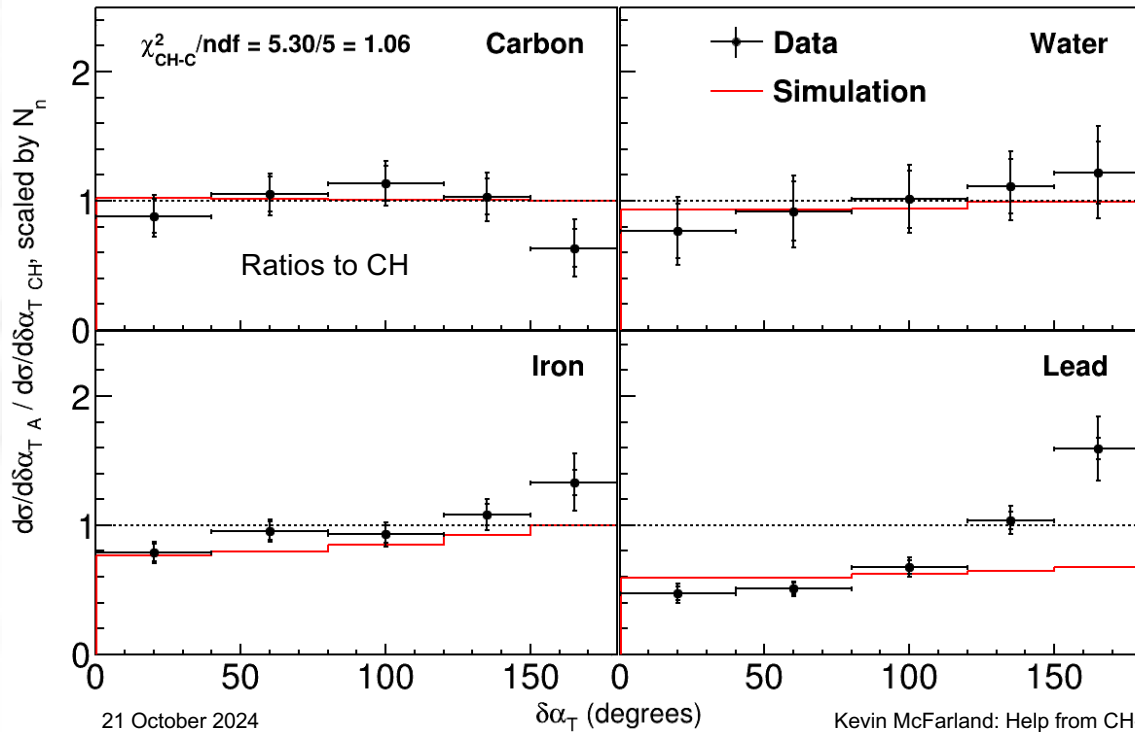
- MINERvA's targets allow for comparison across a wide range of A .
 - Not particularly high statistics for most C and H₂O results (so not enough to subtract out CH-H to get hydrogen, for example), but good statistics for Fe and Pb.
 - Reasonable consistency, if varied the fraction of non-quasielastic events?



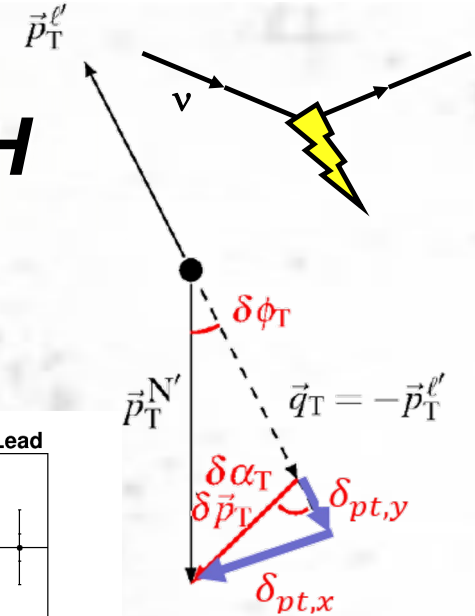
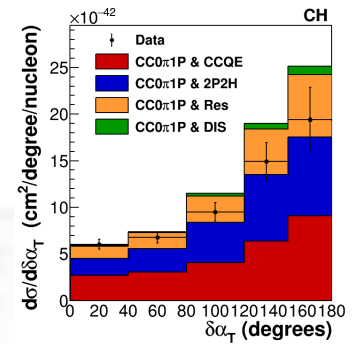
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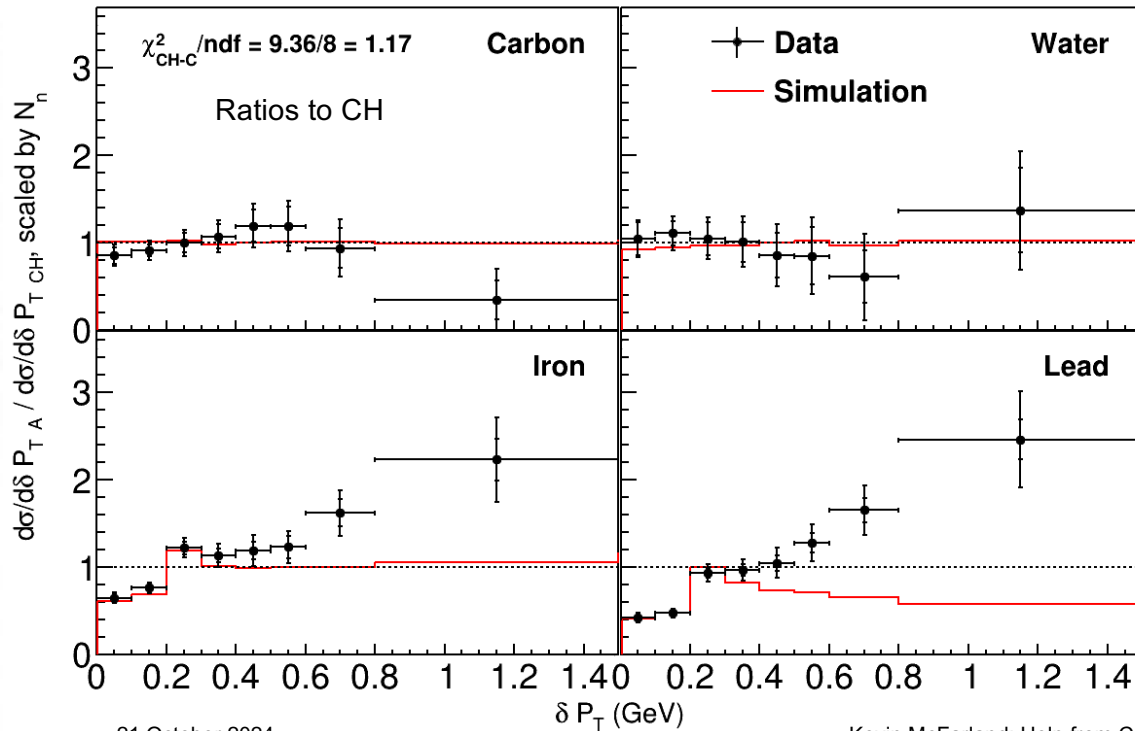
$\delta\alpha_T$



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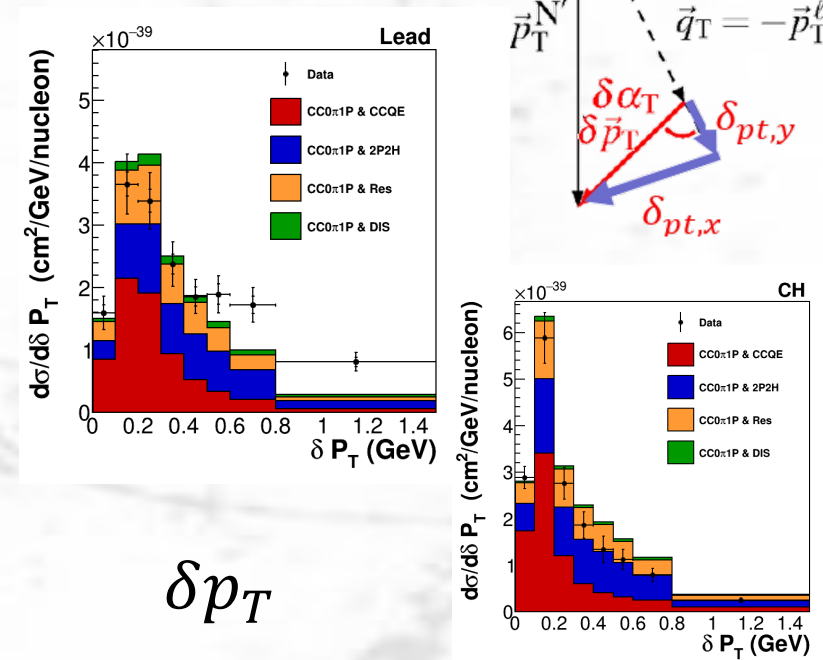
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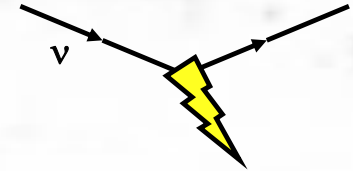


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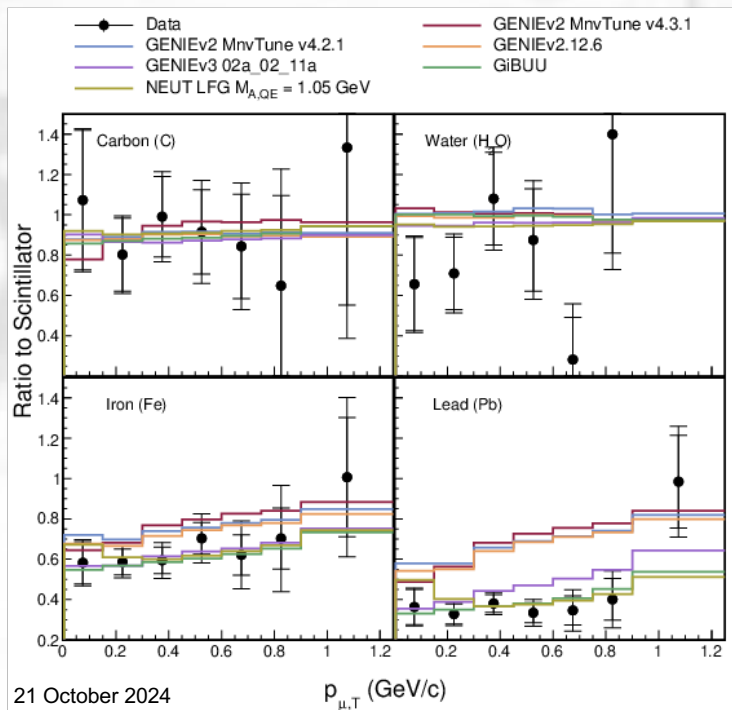
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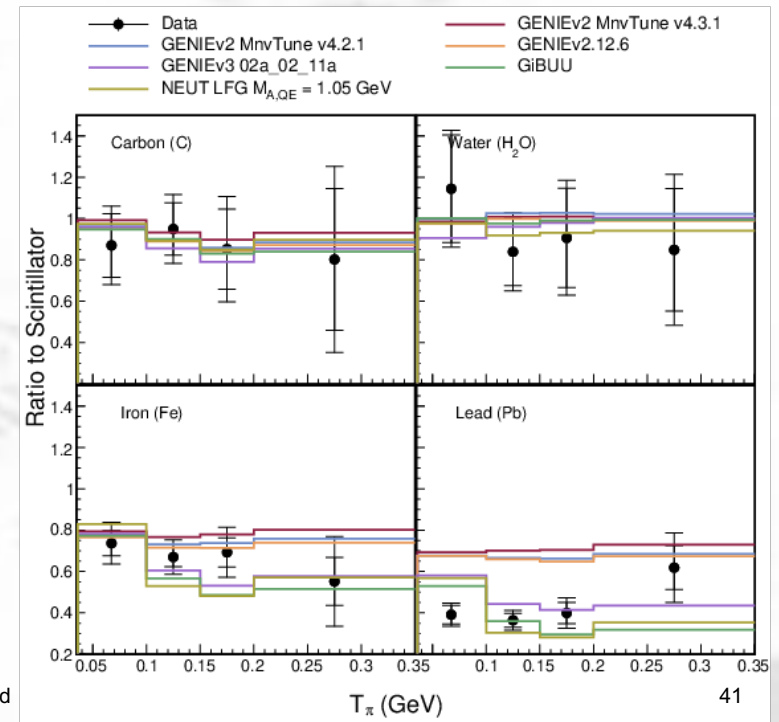


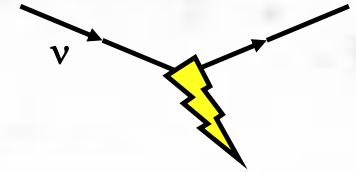
- Result is generally that we see similar shapes in T_π and p_T^μ ($Q^2 \approx (p_T^\mu)^2 \left(1 + \frac{\nu}{E_\mu}\right)$).
- However the overall result rate is different, for some models of π^+ FSI.



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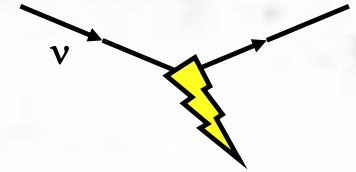




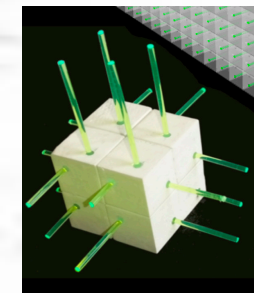
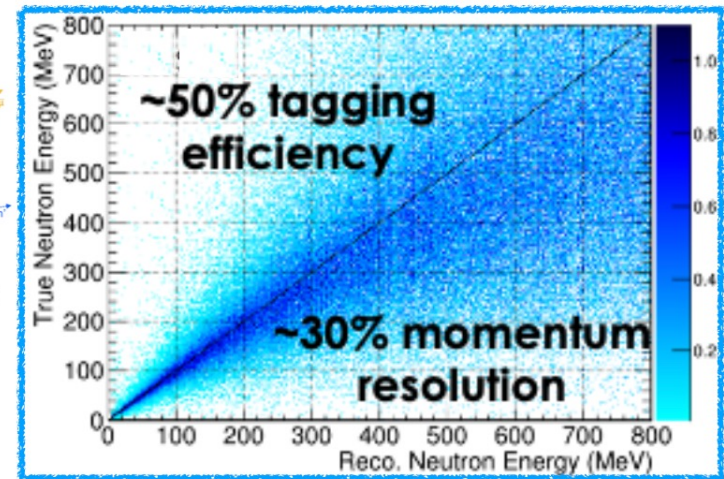
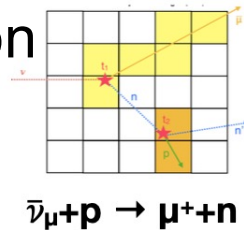
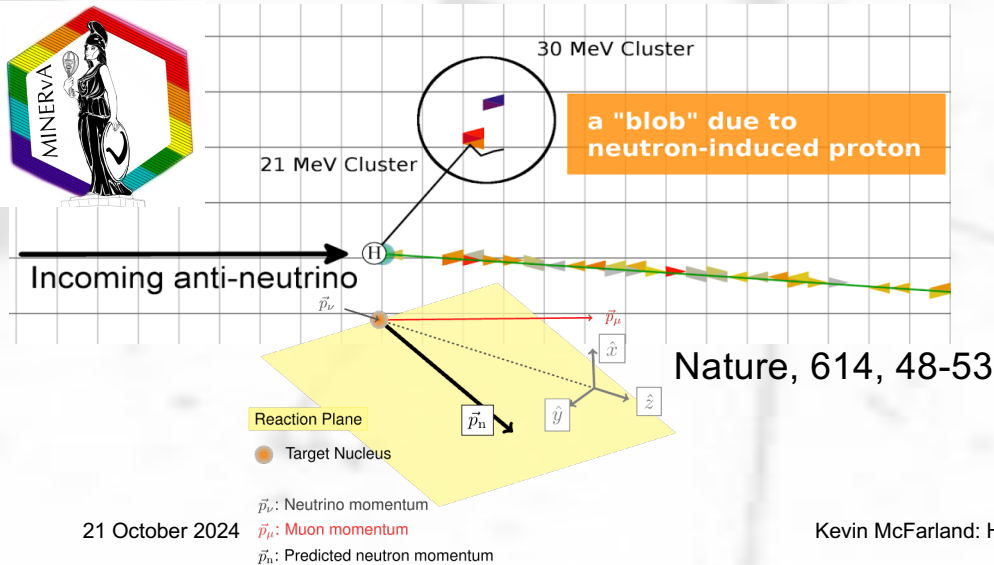
Neutrons, Nucleons and Nuclei

(rapid recent development)

Neutron reconstruction



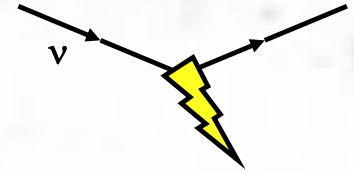
- MINERvA has, and SuperFGD will reconstruct neutrons through their quasielastic knockout of protons from nuclei, e.g., $^{12}\text{C}(n, np)^{11}\text{B}$
 - SuperFGD has lower threshold three-dimensional reconstruction AND time-of-flight momentum.



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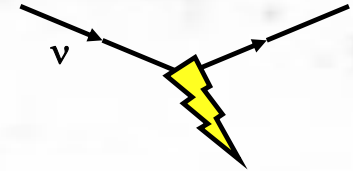
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Why Neutron Reconstruction Matters

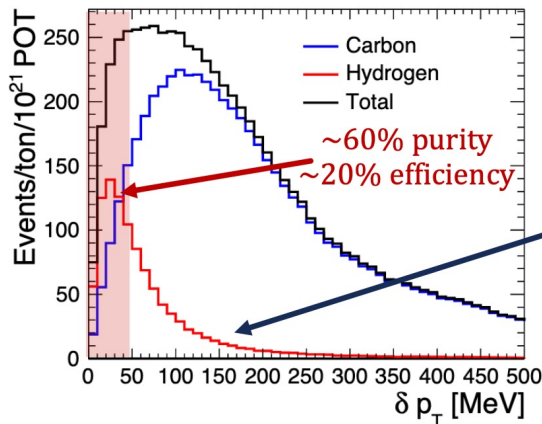


- Neutron measurement techniques developed in recent years, through detector and analysis technologies, are having its time.
 - I will emphasize isolation of hydrogen on $\bar{\nu}_{\mu} p \rightarrow \mu^{+} n$.
 - But this also has applications for understanding of energy lost to nuclei in interactions because of very low detection thresholds, neutrino and antineutrino separation, etc.
- Efficiency of reconstruction is significantly less than unity, requires capable (often smaller) detectors, so the highest intensity neutrino beams will also be important for this work.

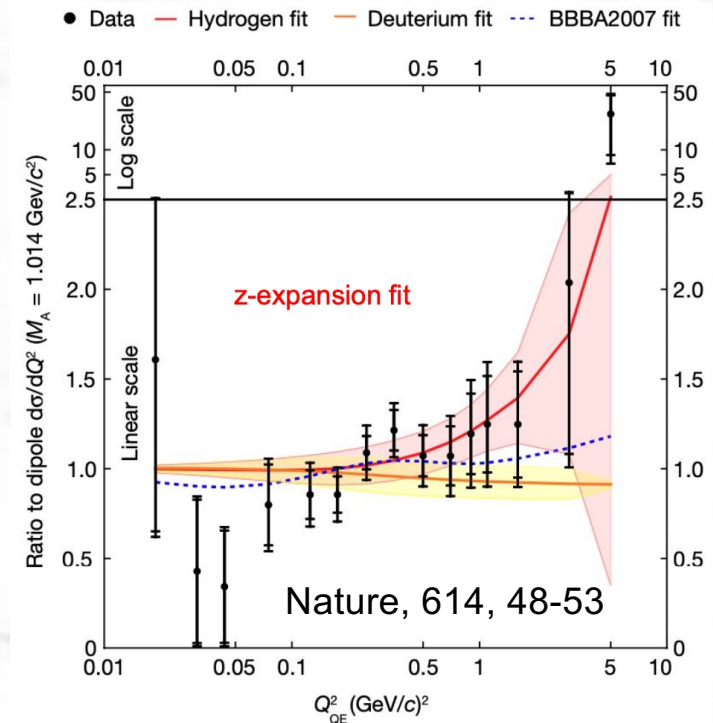
Neutron and Axial Form Factor



- MINERvA used neutron reconstruction and ability to isolate events on hydrogen (only with direction!) to measure $F_A(Q^2)$ with useful precision $0.06 < Q^2 \lesssim 2 \text{ GeV}^2$.
- SuperFGD will have two handles, direction and energy, to isolate hydrogen scattering.

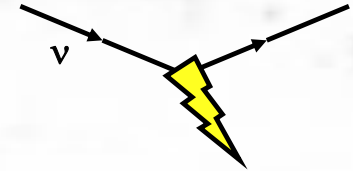


Antineutrinos:
 Peak from interactions on hydrogen
No nuclear effects
 Possible thanks to **neutron detection!**

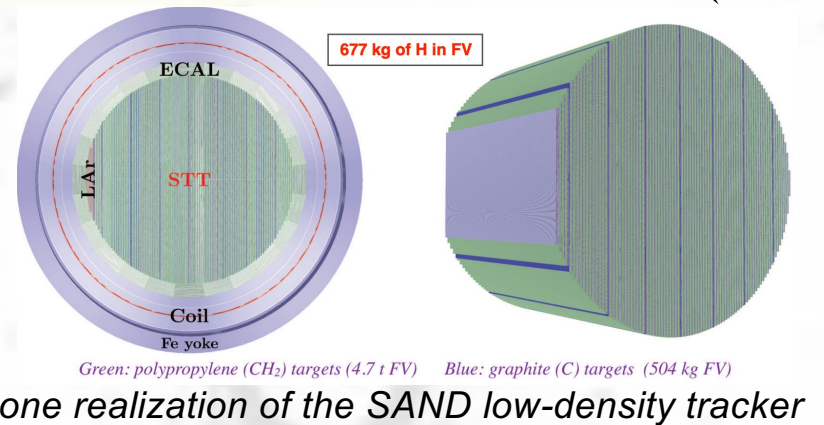


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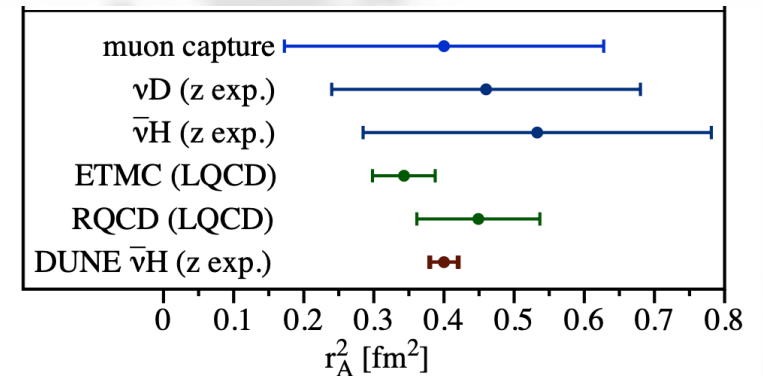
DUNE-ND “Solid Hydrogen” from CH_n



- The DUNE SAND near detector plans CH_2 and C foils interspersed with low density tracker.
- This adds a third handle to direction and energy constraints, for separating hydrogen interactions by subtraction.
- Significant potential to dramatically reduce backgrounds and systematics in a high statistics measurement.

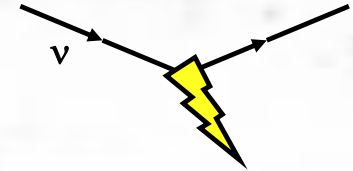


- *Caveat: the estimate at right isn't a projection from DUNE (third-party authors), and IMHO it uses a deeply flawed metric. (But “it's got a beat, and you can dance to it.”)*

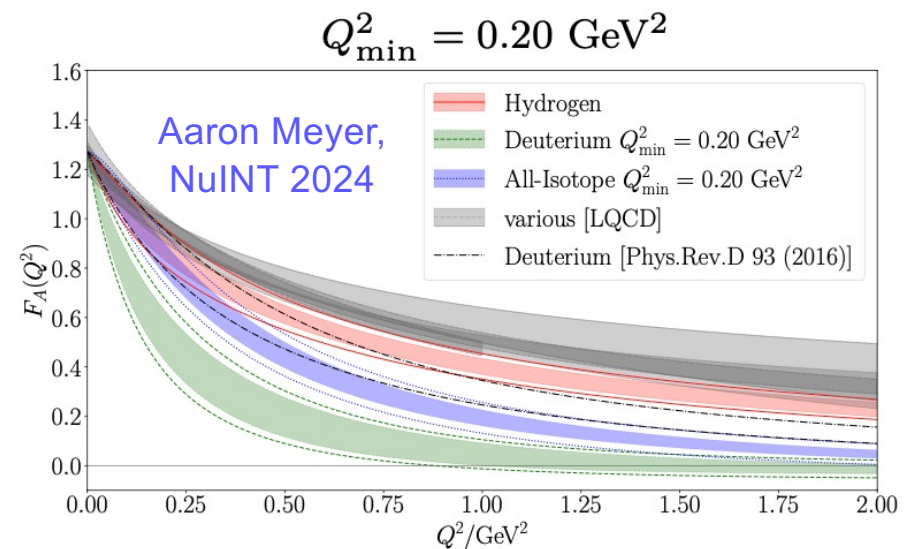


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Nucleons vs Nuclei



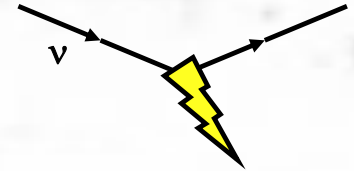
- By contrast, we are struggling to understand cross-sections on free nucleons as a base for calculating cross-sections on nuclei.
- In $F_A(Q^2)$, there are significant tensions between the deuterium bubble chamber legacy data, and either the MINERvA hydrogen or lattice QCD calculations.
- Why? It's possible that nuclear model assumptions in the analysis of the deuterium data played a role.
- *More from Aaron and Minoo on Thursday.*



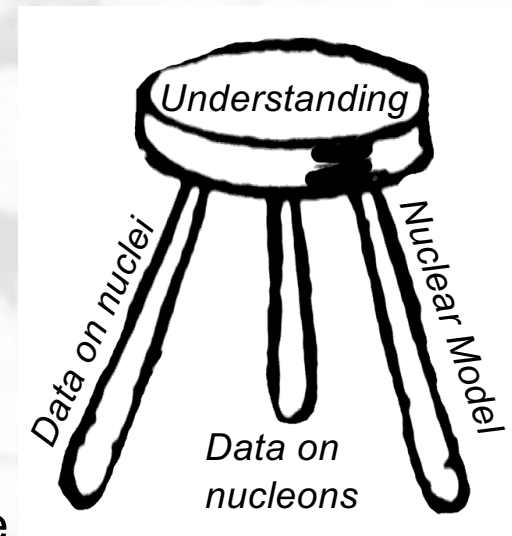
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χ_D^2/DoF_D	94.9/94	0.45	167.7/96	8.3×10^{-6}
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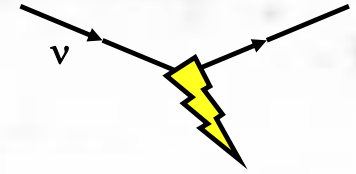
Deuterium is incompatible with hydrogen, LQCD

Nucleon and Nuclei commentary



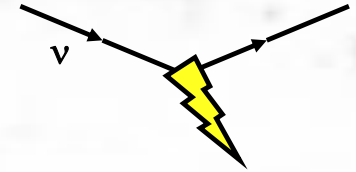
- We've made progress in our nuclear models, informed by electron scattering, theory, and data from neutrinos and hadron scattering.
- While there is growing evidence that these models may be helping us to understand nuclear effects, there is also growing evidence that the input of free nucleon predictions is not serving us well.
- Experiments that can measure or theory that can calculate free-nucleon interactions, will become increasingly important.
 - This suggests a continuing role for scintillator, but maybe also a future need for free nucleon (hydrogen) detectors.



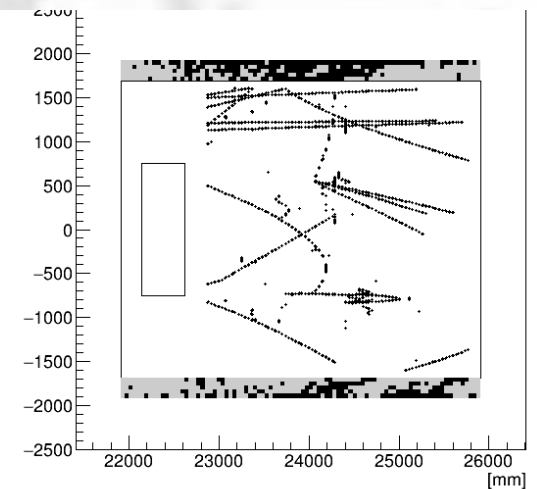
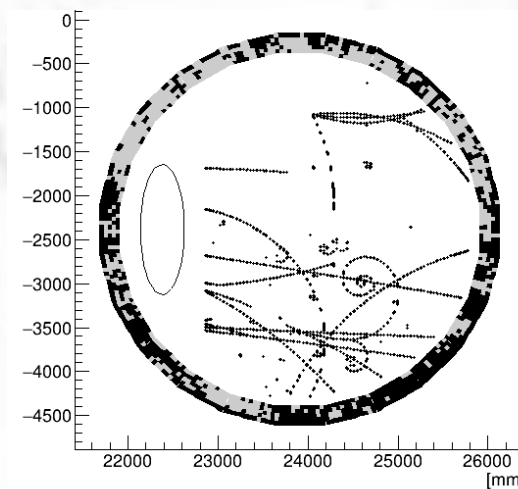
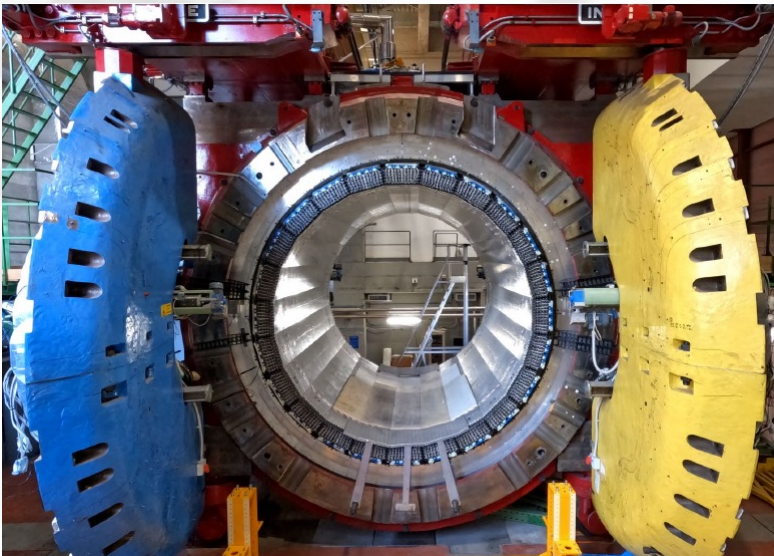


Closing Thoughts

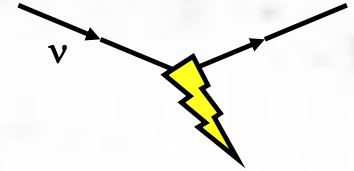
H and C and Ar... Can't we just all be friends?



- As Callum mentioned in passing, SAND (DUNE Phase One on-axis Near Detector) plans to include CH_2 and C, for separation of H and C, **and** Ar targets to compare interactions on different nuclei.



Brave Brew World?



- Ar targets inside a CH detector reminded me of the enthusiasm of true believers.

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New Starbucks Opens In Rest Room Of Existing Starbucks

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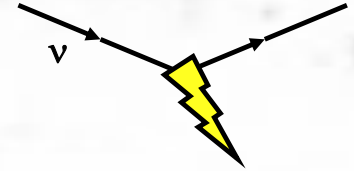
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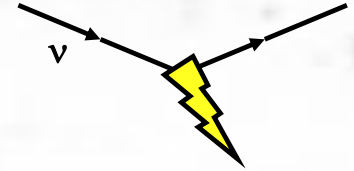
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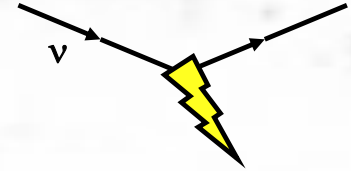
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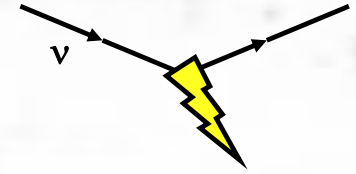
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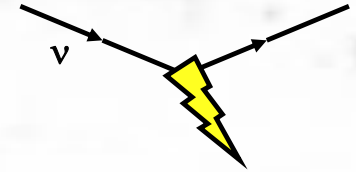
“Measure Neutrino Interactions”, Schultz said. “Measure Them.”



- Although Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz and I may not agree about the importance and function of labor unions, we both agree that measuring neutrino interactions in CH is very important.
- There are key capabilities of CH detectors that are hard to duplicate in LAr TPCs, even if resolution is generally worse.
 - Configurability of plastic detectors to add alternate targets.
 - Fast timing enables high rates and aggressive use of sub-event relative timing for neutrons and weakly decaying mesons.
 - Cases where improved ionization resolution isn't necessarily a big advantage, such as electron identification.
- Expect CH to continue to have impact on models, even for DUNE.

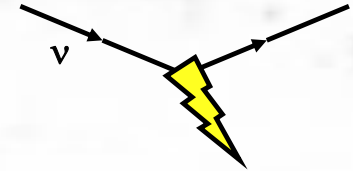


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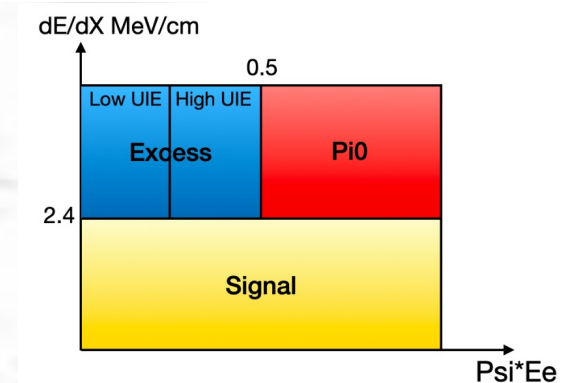
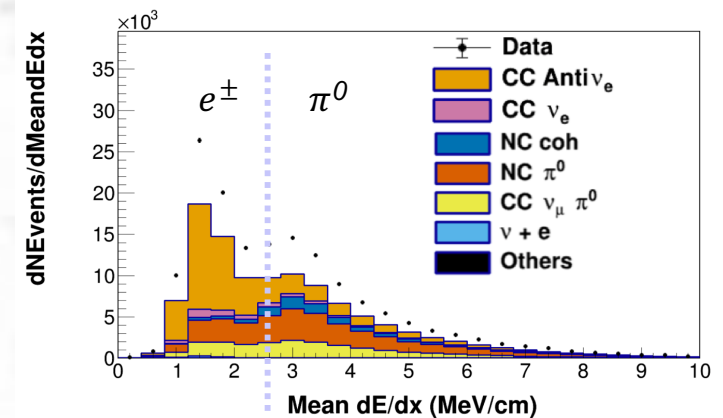


More on MINERvA's Electron Neutrinos

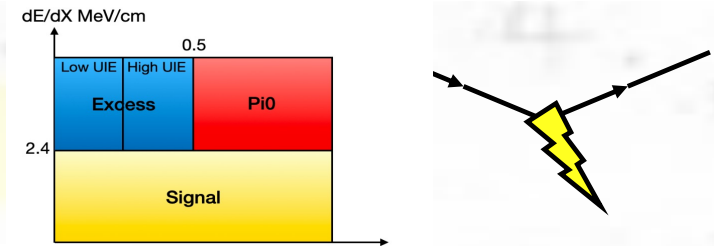
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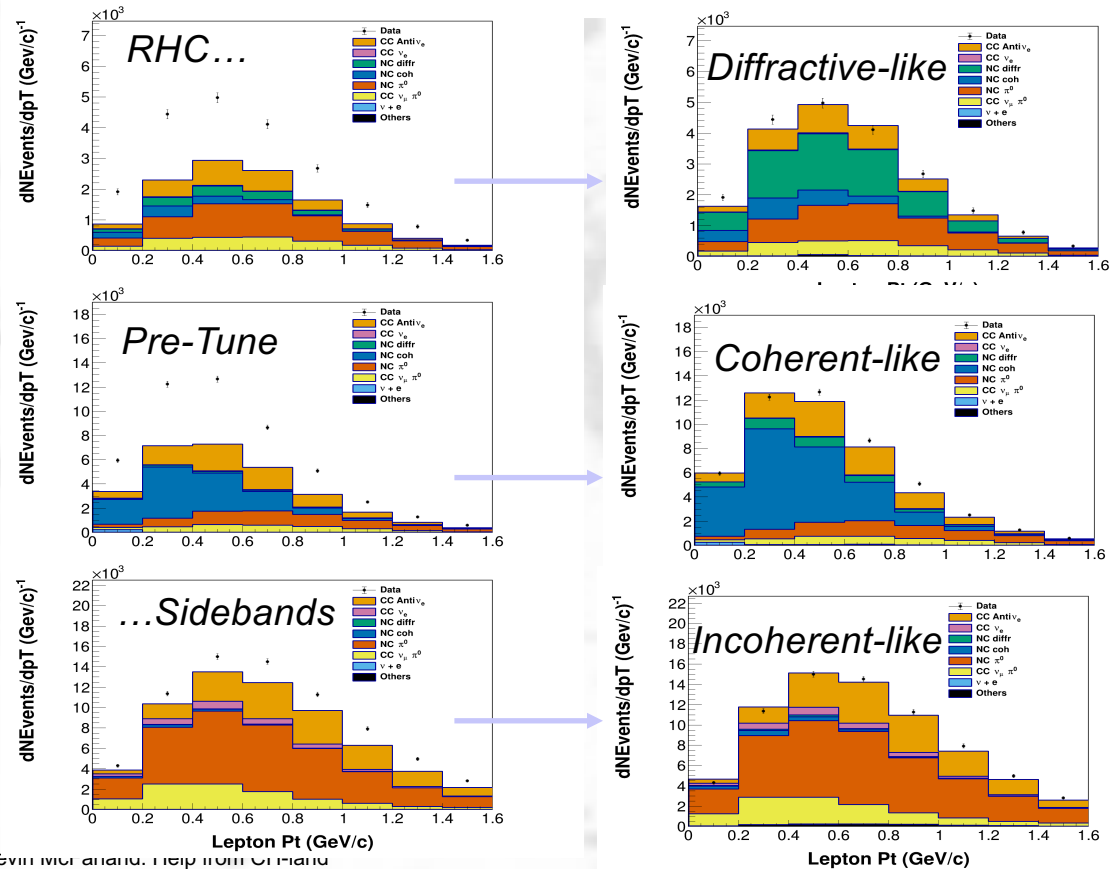
- Discriminant is dE/dx at start of the shower.
- Missing diffractive π^0 production on scattering from hydrogen! (Coherent π^0 production from carbon is the dark blue.)
 - Also, both diffractive and coherent π^0 production are badly underestimated by the Rein model and Rein-Sehgal and Berger-Sehgal models at high energies, respectively.
- There is also significant contamination of electrons to high dE/dx (early showering) and photons to low dE/dx (very asymmetric pair production).
- Divide high dE/dx region into diffractive-like (recoiling proton at vertex), coherent-like, and incoherent-like to characterize backgrounds.



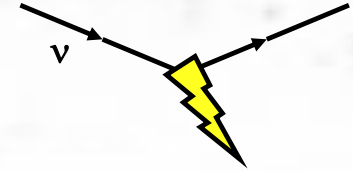
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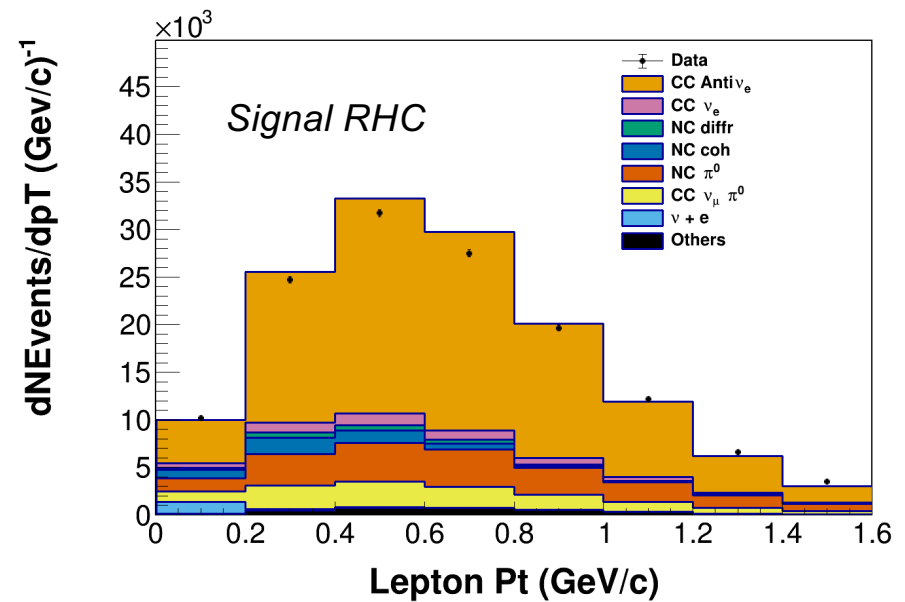
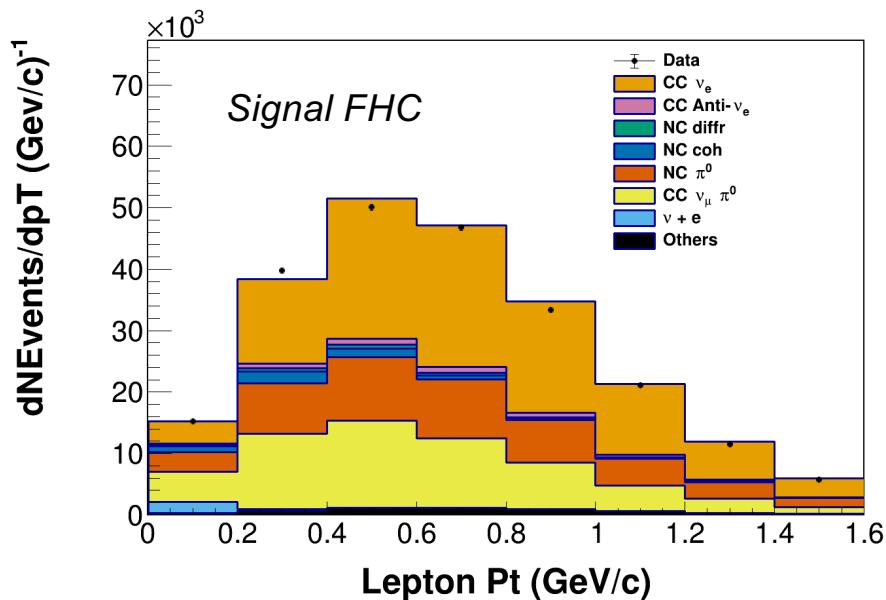
- Tune primarily in electron p_T for each process separately.
- RHC (antineutrino dominant) has much less incoherent π^0 production, so use the RHC results in FHC (neutrino dominant) beam for coherent and π^0 production from carbon is the dark blue.)
- (Sideband tune has tensions in FHC beam not observed in RHC. Add an extra systematic uncertainty to cover this in FHC.)



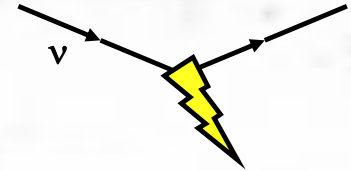
Signal Region after Background Tunes



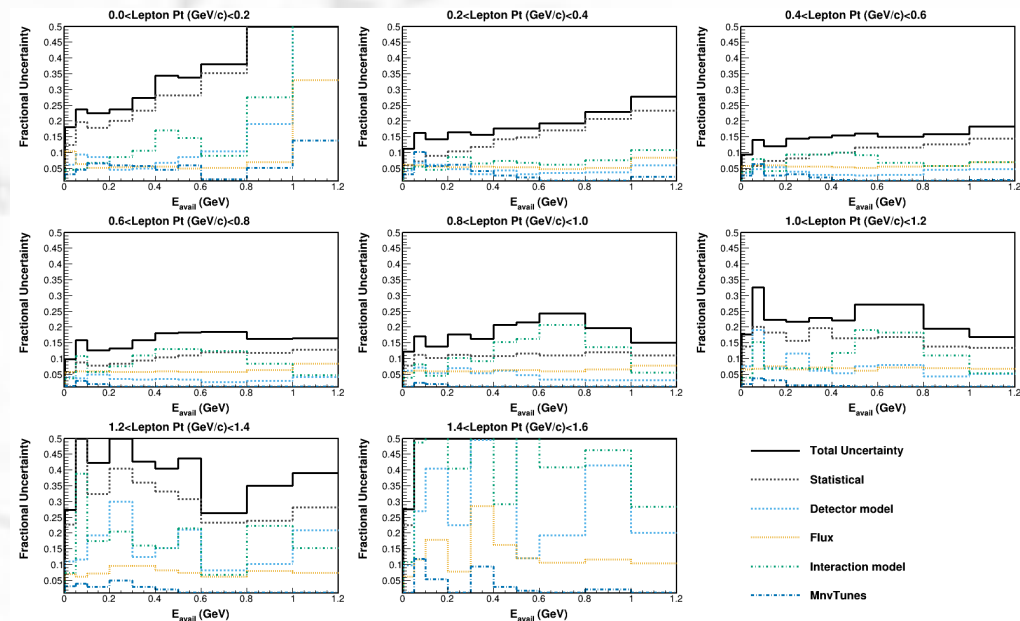
- After tuning the backgrounds, compare signal region.
- As expected, backgrounds much larger in FHC (incoherent processes).



Discussion and Uncertainties

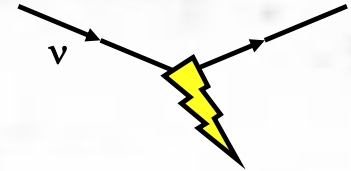


- Reference model is GENIE 2.12.6 with MINERvA tunes. (And yes, Andy Furmanski, a correction for the FSI bug...)
- Most useful in comparison to muon neutrinos, *BUT* this tune largely predicts the MINERvA muon neutrino measurements.
- Statistics dominated, mostly, with significant interaction model uncertainties at mid- p_T .
- Flux uncertainties $\sim 5\%$.

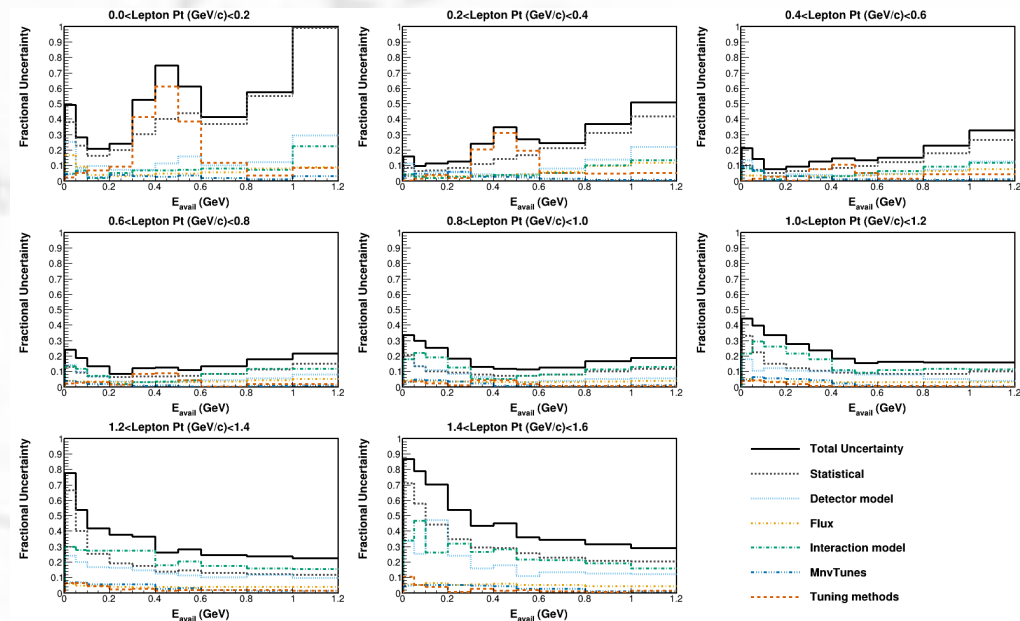


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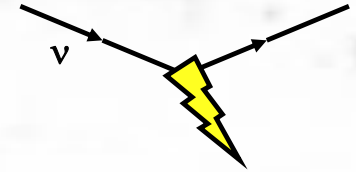
Uncertainties in FHC



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- FHC has the background tuning uncertainty, due to imperfect sidebands agreement very visible at low p_T .
- Flux uncertainties $\sim 4\%$.

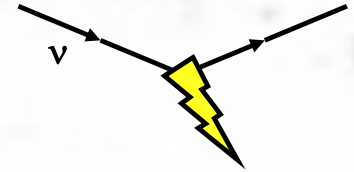


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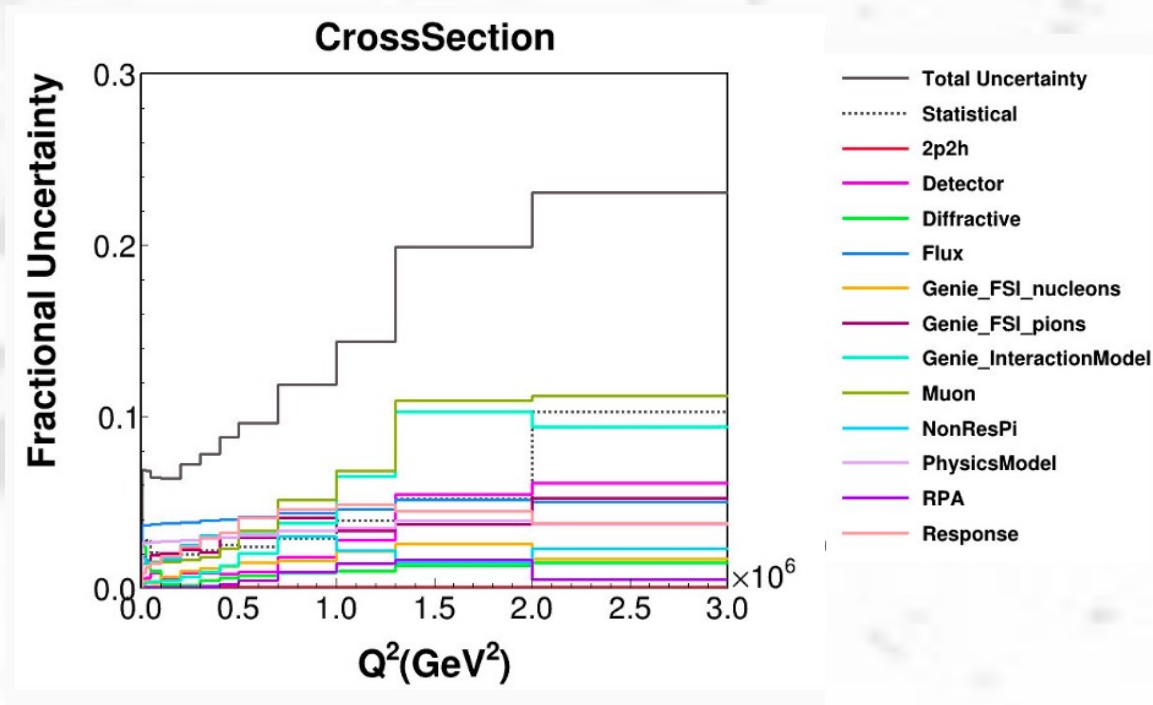


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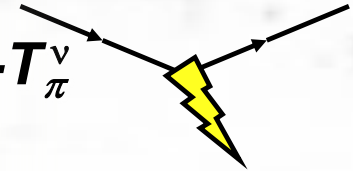
New $1\pi^+$ Result Uncertainties



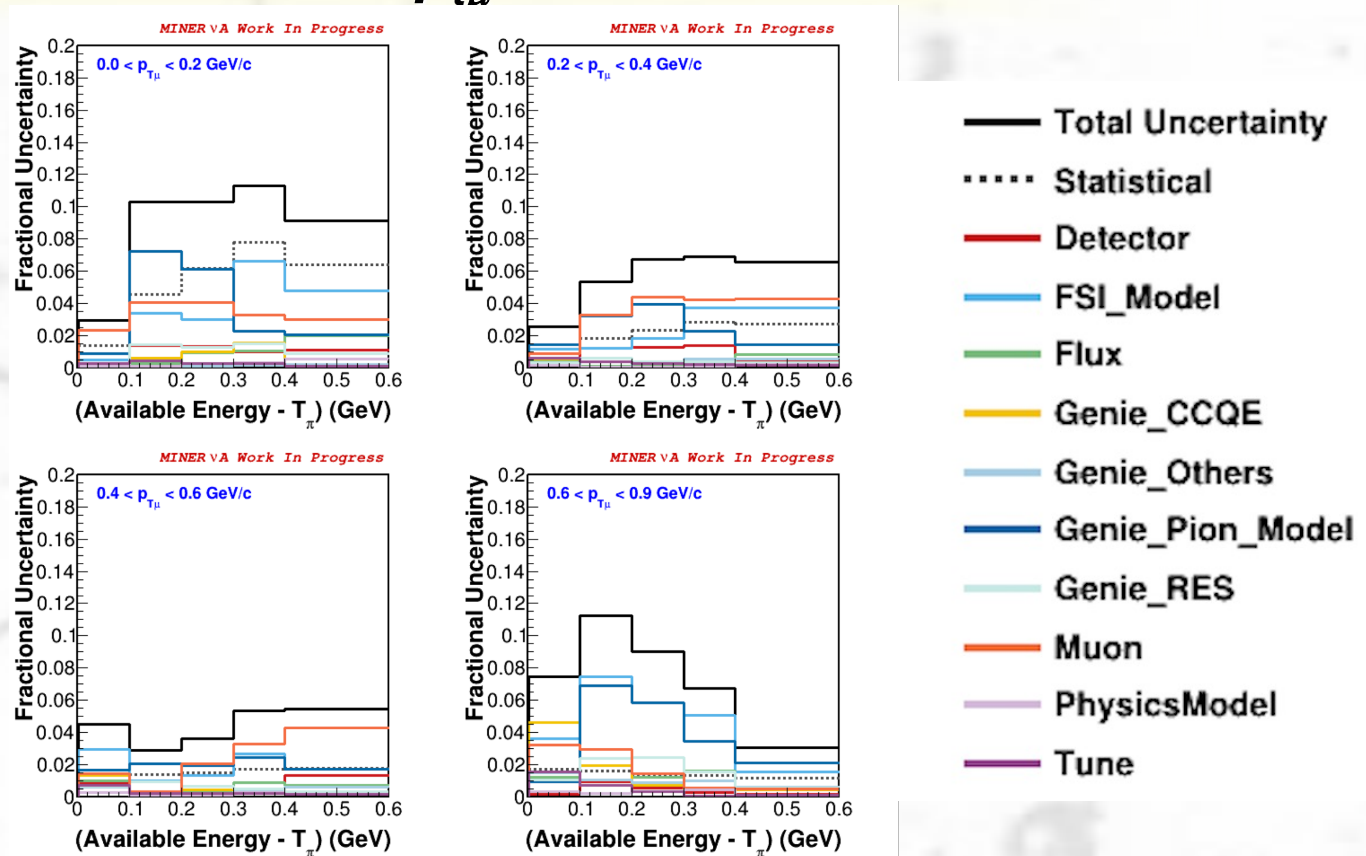
- Cross Sections versus Q^2



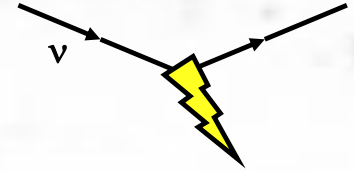
CC $\geq 1\pi$ Cross Section Uncertainties vs. Available Energy- T_{π}^{ν} and $p_{T\mu}$



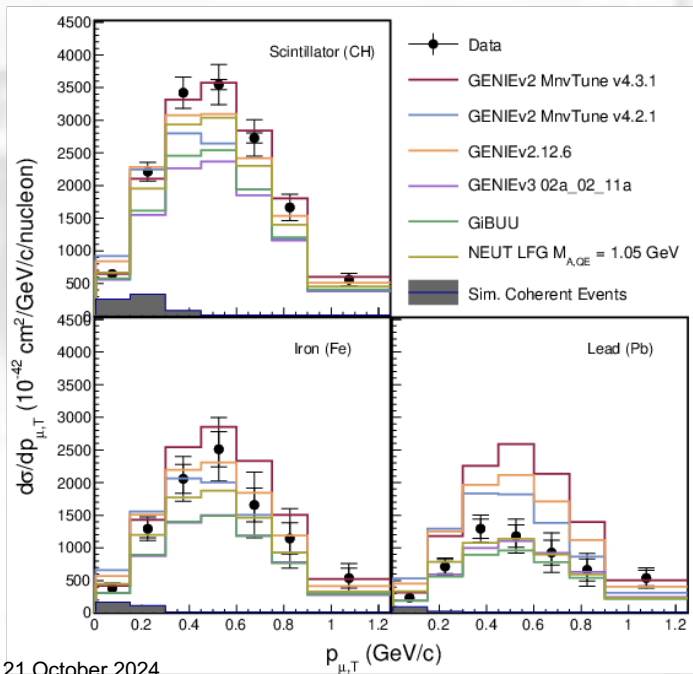
- Fractional Uncertainties larger for this quantity
- Still there are contributions from several sources, no clear source dominates



MINERvA CC π^+ {CH, Fe, Pb}



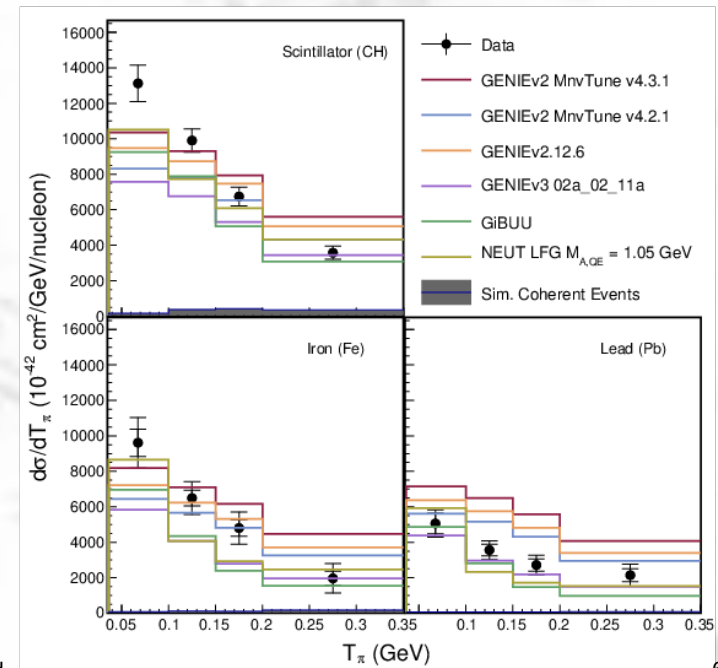
- Result is generally that we see similar shapes in T_π and p_T^μ ($Q^2 \approx (p_T^\mu)^2 \left(1 + \frac{\nu}{E_\mu}\right)$).
- However the overall result rate is different, for some models of π^+ FSI.



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