# ECT GENIE FSI overview

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- FSI history/status
- recent publications I know of
- features/comparisons
- studies for this workshop

# Why FSI matters

- The great confuser hadron mfp ~ fm means `large' (A dep) changes in both topology and kinematic distributions
  - Pion production followed by pion absorption mimics quasielastic when only muon detected (included in  $CC0\pi$  signal)
  - Hadrons change energy/angle through scattering (+additional p,n..)
  - Charged-neutral through charge exchange (+additional p,n..)
- Very few studies with v beams
  - Scintillator detectors good except for high thresholds (few\*100 MeV)

- LAr detectors important for low thresholds
- Most data from other facilities
  - Pion, proton beams from 1970's, 1980's
  - More recent work with neutron beams

#### overview

- I started hadron-nucleus with my nuclear physics PhD thesis, still important in much different venue
- Semi-classical treatments important since 1960's because full quantum calculation not possible (then and now)
  - Many consequences good (simple, flexible) and bad (no QM, can't be right)
  - Impressive success describing data, even  $\pi A$  at peak of  $\Delta(1232)$
- Various versions available (and not)
  - Peanut (FLUKA) has quantum-like corrections
  - Transport (GiBUU) has significant nuclear modifications
  - Salcedo, Oset has density-dependent nuclear mods, basis for most event generator models today (NEUT, NuWro, GENIE hN)
  - GEANT, INCL++ have evaporation, coalescence (low energy, hi A)

# 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
- Now adding other models (INCL++, GEANT4) for v3.2

# 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



#### Recent advances - pion-nucleus Pinzon et al. (T2K) Phys. Rev. D99 (2019) 052007

- New pion-Carbon data for total absorption, cex cross section
- Fit large body of data with the NEUT (Salcedo/Oset) model
- Find energy-independent factors + est. errors for best fit (table)
  - Significant changes (model dependent and data dependent)



| Parameter         | Best fit $\pm 1\sigma$ |                 |               |
|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
|                   | Carbon-only            | Light nuclei    | All nuclei    |
| $f_{\rm QE}$      | $1.07\pm0.07$          | $1.08\pm0.07$   | $1.08\pm0.07$ |
| $f_{ABS}$         | $1.24\pm0.05$          | $1.25\pm0.05$   | $1.26\pm0.05$ |
| $f_{\rm CX}$      | $0.79 \pm 0.05$        | $0.80\pm0.04$   | $0.80\pm0.04$ |
| $f_{\text{INEL}}$ | $0.63\pm0.27$          | $0.71\pm0.21$   | $0.70\pm0.20$ |
| $f_{\rm QEH}$     | $2.16\pm0.34$          | $2.14 \pm 0.24$ | $2.13\pm0.22$ |
| $\chi^2/n.d.o.f$  | 18.36/27               | 40.14/44        | 53.48/59      |

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#### Recent advances – neutron-nucleus Bandari et al., CAPTAIN arXiv:1903.05276v1 [hep-ex]

- Total cross section for nAr, Total=elastic+inelastic
- Uses mini-Captain (400kg) at Los Alamos WNR
- Important to constrain neutron production from neutrinos (hard to measure)
- elastic hard to calculate in semi-classical methods



#### Recent advances – transmission Niewczas, Sobczyk arXiv:1902.05618v1 [hep-ex]

- Detailed examination of experimental conditions (soft scattering, detector acceptance)
- New sensitivity, particularly when hadron-nucleus xs large
- Interplay between total reac xs and transmission important

$$T(Q^{2}) = \frac{\int_{V} d^{3}p_{m}dE_{m} Y_{\exp}(E_{m}, \vec{p}_{m})}{\int_{V} d^{3}p_{m}dE_{m} Y_{PWIA}(E_{m}, \vec{p}_{m})} \int_{V} d^{3}p_{m}dE_{m} Y_{PWIA}(E_{m}, \vec{p}_{m}) = \frac{\int_{V} d^{3}p_{m}dE_{m} Y_{PWIA}(E_{m}, \vec{p}_{m})}{\int_{V} d^{3}p_{m}dE_{m} Y_{PWIA}(E_{m}, \vec{p}_{m})} \int_{0.6} \int_{0.$$

## 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  $\pi$ Fe are smaller



## 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

## 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



#### summary

- FSI is important, but not simple to include properly (both theoretical and modeling issues)
- Variety of semi-classical models, but Salcedo/Oset is by far most common in event generators (reasonable)
- Studies for ECT\* FSI group
  - Total reaction cross section  $\pi^+$ , p, n for C, Ar
  - Total absorption cross section  $\pi^+$  C, Ar
  - Transmission for p,  $\pi^+$  C, Ar, Fe
  - > Inclusive p,  $\pi^+$  KE spectra for 1 GeV  $v_{\mu}$  C, Ar
  - Contributors: Jose Udias (theory), Jan Sobczyk (NuWro), SD and Julia Tena-Vidal (GENIE), Yoshinari Hayato (NEUT), Xianguo Lu (GiBUU)

# 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

# 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

### 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

