

# Theory overview on neutrino-nucleon (-nucleus) scattering

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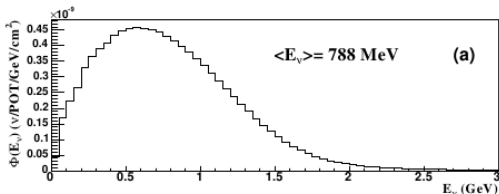
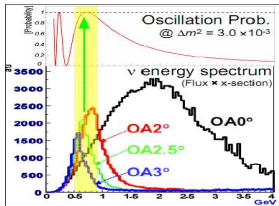
## Outline:

- motivation
  - $\nu$  oscillation experiments
  - poor knowledge of  $\nu$  cross sections
- basic interaction modes (free nucleon)
- nuclear effects
- two body current contribution
  - basic intuition
  - theoretical models
  - a role of nucleon-nucleon correlations
  - $\nu$  energy reconstruction
- conclusions

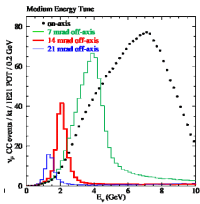


This talk will be about  $\nu$  interactions in  $\sim 1$  GeV energy region.

These are typical energies in many  $\nu$  oscillation experiments.

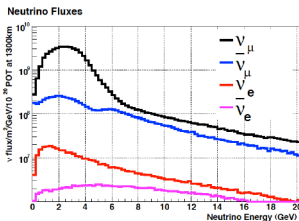


T2K flux



NOvA flux

MiniBooNE flux



LBNE flux



## Precision era in $\nu$ oscillation experiments

Goals are very ambitious. Below a fragment from P5 report.

**Recommendation 12: In collaboration with international partners, develop a coherent short- and long-baseline neutrino program hosted at Fermilab.**

For a long-baseline oscillation experiment, based on the science Drivers and what is practically achievable in a major step forward, we set as the goal a mean sensitivity to CP violation<sup>2</sup> of better than  $3\sigma$  (corresponding to 99.8% confidence level for a detected signal) over more than 75% of the range of possible values of the unknown CP-violating phase  $\delta_{CP}$ . Using a wideband neutrino beam produced by a proton beam with power of 1.2 megawatt (MW), by current estimates this sensitivity requires a suitable near detector and a far detector with fiducial mass of more than forty kilotons (kt) of liquid argon (LAR) to provide 600 kt\*MW\*yr of exposure assuming systematic uncertainties of 1% and 5% for the signal and background, respectively. **The minimum requirements to proceed are the identified capability to reach an exposure of at least 120 kt\*MW\*yr by the**

An important source of systematical errors are  $\nu$  cross sections.



How well do we know  $\nu$  cross sections?

An example, a compilation of **CCQE** measurements, a lot of uncertainty

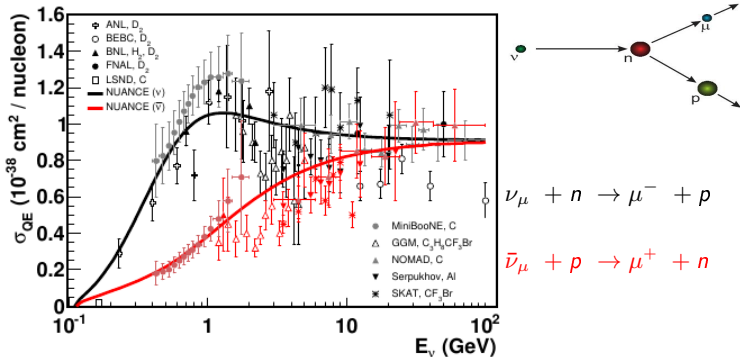


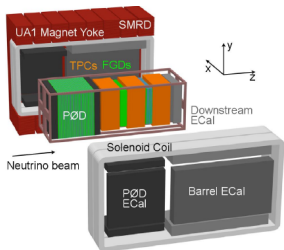
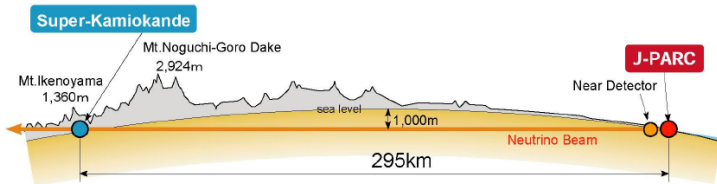
Figure 48.2: Measurements of  $\nu_\mu$  (black) and  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  (red) QE scattering cross sections

from Particle Data Group



## Profits from having a near detector

Near detector allows for many cancellations of systematics



| Source of uncertainty (no. of parameters)  | $\delta n_{SK}^{1\sigma} / n_{SK}^{1\sigma}$ |
|--|--|
| ND280-independent cross section (11)       | 6.3%   |
| Flux & ND280-common cross section (23)     | 4.2%   |
| Super-Kamiokande detector systematics (8)  | 10.1%  |
| Final-state and secondary interactions (6) | 3.5%   |
| Total (48)                                 | 13.1%  |

TABLE I. Effect of  $1\sigma$  systematic parameter variation on the number of 1-ring  $\mu$ -like events, computed for oscillations with  $\sin^2(\theta_{23}) = 0.500$  and  $|\Delta m_{23}^2| = 2.40 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2/c^4$ .

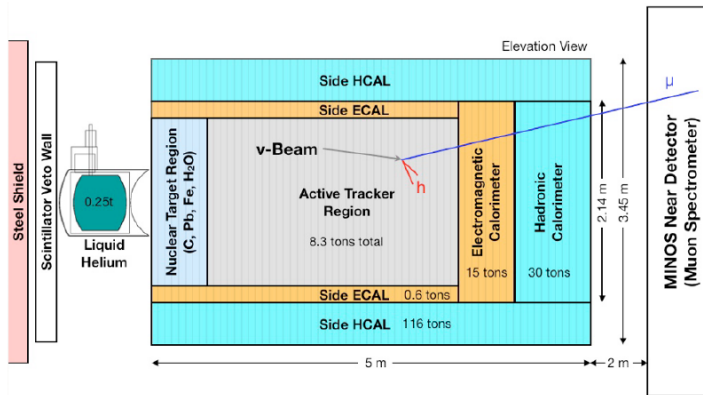
eters. The fractional error on the predicted number of SK candidate events from the uncertainties in these 23 parameters, as shown in Table I is 4.2%. Without the constraint from the ND280 measurements this fractional error would be 21.8%.

T2K Collaboration, *Measurement of Neutrino Oscillation Parameters from Muon Neutrino Disappearance with an Off-axis Beam*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2013) 211803.



## Need of new measurements and better theories

A unique role of the MINERvA experiment

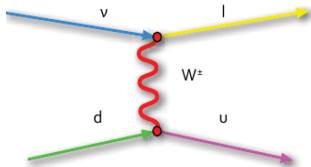


- a dedicated experiment to study  $\nu$  interaction cross sections and to understand better nuclear effects



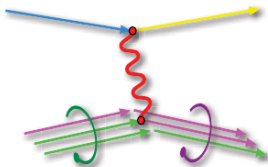


## Basic interaction modes



Lepton: "Trivial."

Quark: Known.

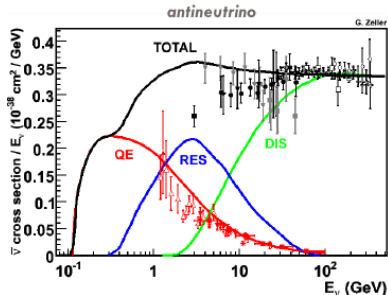
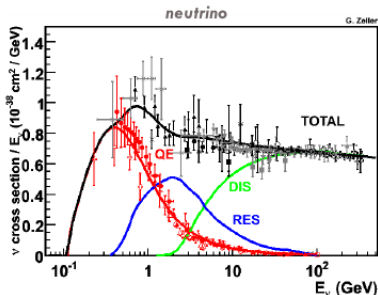
Nucleon: Parameterize  
w/ Form Factors.

Nucleus: Hard!

Very complex nuclear physics.  
But this is where we want  $\sigma$ ...Hadronic degrees of  
freedom can be:

- quarks,
- nucleons,
- nuclei (e.g. coherent  $\pi$  production)

## Basic interactions modes – vocabulary



Sam Zeller; based on P. Lipari et al

**CCQE** is  $\nu_\mu n \rightarrow \mu^- p$ , or  $\bar{\nu}_\mu p \rightarrow \mu^+ n$ .

**RES** stands for **resonance region** e.g.  $\nu_\mu p \rightarrow \mu^- \Delta^{++} \rightarrow \mu^- p \pi^+$ ;  
one often speaks about **SPP** - single pion production

**DIS** stands for: more inelastic than **RES**.

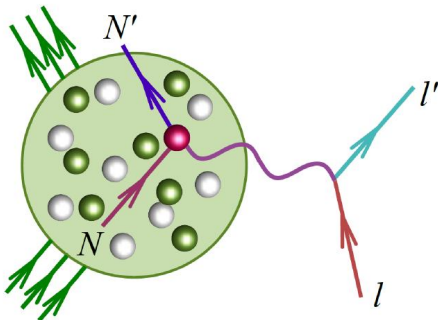
In the  $\sim 1$  GeV region **CCQE** and **RES** are most important.



## Basic theoretical frame: impulse approximation

In the  $\sim 1$  GeV energy region one relies on the impulse approximation (IA)

picture:  $\nu$  interact with individual bound nucleons



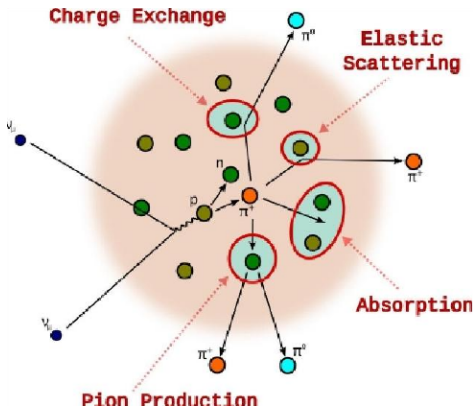
from A. Ankowski

- $\nu_\mu$  nucleus interaction is viewed as a **two-step process**: a primary interaction followed by hadron reinteractions (**final state interactions (FSI) effects**)
- from electron scattering one knows that the picture works well for  $|\vec{q}| \geq \sim 400$  MeV/c



Final state interactions:

What is observed are particles in the final state.



from T. Golan

Pions...

- can be absorbed
- can be scattered elastically
- (if energetically enough) can produce new pions
- can exchange electric charge with nucleons

## Monte Carlo event generators



from C. Andreopoulos

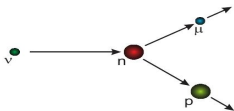
$\nu$  oscillation measurements rely on MC event generators

- what is seen experimentally comes from flux average and includes FSI effects
- recent experimental results are often reported as including FSI effects
- without MC it is difficult to compare to the data
- an important topic of NuInt workshops and NuSTEC Collaboration



A short status **CCQE**

A chain of arguments leads to a conclusion:

everything that is not known is a value of *axial mass* parameter.

$$\nu_l / \bar{\nu}_l(k) + N(p) \rightarrow l^\pm(k') + N'(p')$$

$$q^\mu \equiv k^\mu - k'^\mu; \quad Q^2 \equiv -q_\mu q^\mu.$$

CCQE on free nucleon target

$$\langle p(p') | J_{weak}^\alpha | n(p) \rangle = \bar{u}(p') \left( \gamma^\alpha F_V(Q^2) + i \sigma^{\alpha\beta} q_\beta \frac{F_M(Q^2)}{2M} - \gamma^\alpha \gamma_5 F_A(Q^2) - q^\alpha \gamma_5 F_P(Q^2) \right) u(p)$$

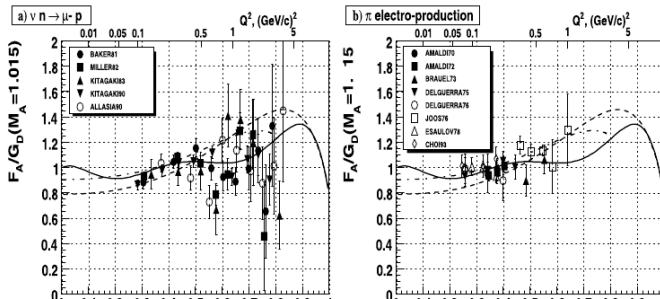
- CVC arguments  $\Rightarrow$  **vector part** known from electron scattering
- PCAC arguments  $\Rightarrow$  only one independent **axial** form factor  $F_A(Q^2)$
- $\beta$  decay  $\Rightarrow F_A(0) \simeq 1.26$
- analogy with EM and some experimental hints  $\Rightarrow$  dipole **axial** form factor:

$$F_A(Q^2) = \frac{F_A(0)}{(1 + M_A^2/Q^2)^2}$$

- the only unknown quantity is  $M_A$ , axial mass.



## A short status of CCQE



from A. Bodek, S. Avvakumov, R. Bradford, H. Budd

- older  $M_A$  measurements indicate the value of about 1.05 GeV and are consistent with dipole form of  $F_A$
- independent pion production arguments lead to similar conclusions



## A short status RES

As can be clearly seen **single pion production** on free nucleon is experimentally poorly understood.

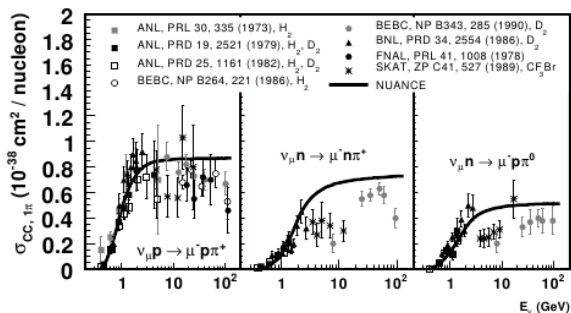


Figure 48.3: Historical measurements of  $\nu_\mu$  CC resonant single-pion production.

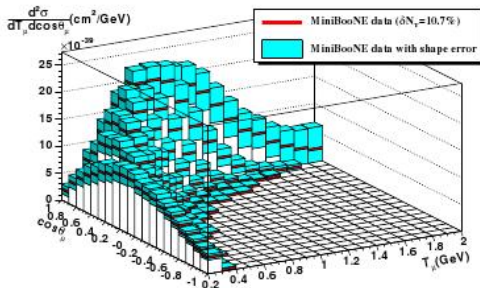
from Particle Data Group





## MiniBooNE CCQE measurement

The main topic of this seminar starts with the MiniBooNE CCQE double differential cross section measurement



Results presented as axial mass measurement:

$$M_A = 1.35 \text{ GeV.}$$

- cross section is  $\sim 30\%$  higher than expected
- analysis of the data from the older NOMAD experiment gave  $M_A = 1.05 \text{ GeV}$

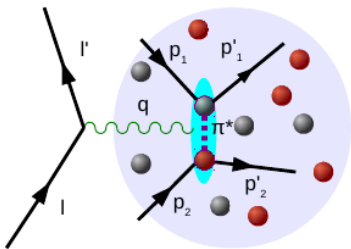
MiniBooNE Collaboration, *First Measurement of the Muon Neutrino Charged Current Quasielastic Double Differential Cross Section*, Phys. Rev. D81 (2010) 092005



## Two body current contribution

In nuclear target reactions there is a significant contribution coming from **two body current** mechanism.

Neutrino interacts **at once** with two correlated nucleons:



from J. Žmuda

Something obvious from the theoretical perspective:

Consider electromagnetic interactions

$$\vec{q} \cdot \vec{J} = [H, \rho], \quad H = \sum_j \frac{\vec{p}_j^2}{2M} + \sum_{j < k} V_{jk} + \sum_{j < k < l} V_{jkl}.$$

$$\vec{J} = \vec{J}_j^{(1)} + \vec{J}_{jk}^{(2)} + \dots$$

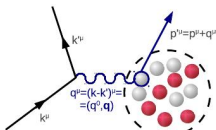
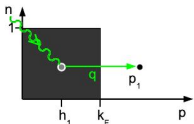
$$\vec{q} \cdot \vec{J}_j^{(1)} = \left[ \frac{\vec{p}_j^2}{2M}, \rho_j^{(1)} \right], \quad \vec{q} \cdot \vec{J}_{jk}^{(2)} = [V_{jk}, \rho_j^{(1)} + \rho_k^{(1)}].$$



## Two-body current – basic intuition.

One-body current operator:

$$J^\alpha = \cos \theta_C (V^\alpha - A^\alpha) = \cos \theta_C \bar{\psi}(p') \Gamma_V^\alpha \psi(p)$$

Fermi Gas: noninteracting nucleons, all states filled up to  $k_F$ 

from J. Žmuda

In the second quantization language  $J^\alpha$ 

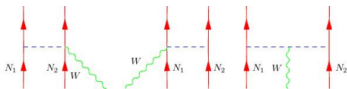
- annihilates (removes from the Fermi sea, producing a hole) a nucleon with momentum  $p$
- creates (above the Fermi level) a nucleon with momentum  $p'$
- altogether gives rise to **1p-1h** (one particle, one hole state)

$$J_{1body}^\alpha \sim a^\dagger(p') a(p)$$

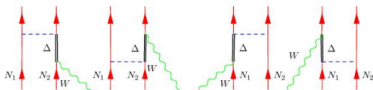


## Two-body current – basic intuition

Think about more complicated Feynman diagrams:



Contact and *pion-in-flight* diagrams



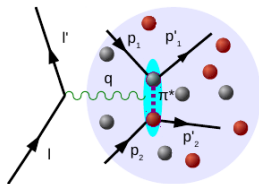
$\Delta$ -Meson Exchange Current diagrams

J. Morfin, JTS

Transferred energy and momentum are shared between two nucleons.

$$J_{2body}^{\alpha} \sim a^{\dagger}(p'_1) a^{\dagger}(p'_2) a(p_1) a(p_2)$$

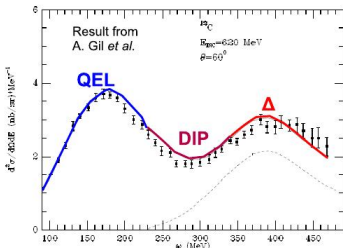
can create two particles and two holes (2p-2h) states



from J. Žmuda

## Two body current in electron scattering

- in the context of electron scattering the problem studied over 40 years
- access of the cross section in the DIP region between QE and  $\Delta$  peaks



from A. Gil, J. Nieves and E. Oset, Nucl. Phys. A 627 (1997) 543;

- the extra strength is believed to come from the **two-body current** mechanism.
- in electron experiments one knows exactly energy and momentum transfer
- QE and  $\Delta$  peak regions can be studied independently



## Two body current in $\nu$ scattering: theoretical models

A lot of activity

- M. Martini et al
  - the first observation of relevance of **two body current** contribution in  $\nu$  scattering
- J. Nieves et al
  - a consistent theoretical scheme describing **CCQE**,  **$\pi$  production** and **two body current** contributions
- superscaling approach (J. Amaro et al)
  - based on studies of scaling in electron scattering
- transverse enhancement (A. Bodek, E. Christy et al)
  - based on electron scattering data, easy in numerical computations
- state of art many body theory computations (J. Carlson, R. Schiavilla, A. Lovato et al)
  - provides a clear theoretical picture, constrained to light nuclei and difficult to translate into direct observable.



## Two body current in $\nu$ scattering: theoretical models

- M. Martini et al

J.Marteau, PhD thesis; Eur.Phys.J. A5 183-190 (2000); J.Marteau, J.Delorme, M. Ericson, NIM A (1999); M. Martini, M. Ericson, G. Chanfray, J. Marteau, Phys. Rev. C 80 065501 (2009) Phys. Rev. C 81 045502 (2010)

- J. Nieves et al

J. Nieves, I. Ruiz Simo, M.J. Vicente Vacas, Phys. Rev. C 83 045501 (2011); Phys. Lett. B 707 72-75 (2012); J. Nieves, I. Ruiz Simo, M.J. Vicente Vacas, F. Sanchez, R. Gran, Phys. Phys. Rev. D 88 113007 (2013)

- superscaling approach

J.E. Amaro, M.B. Barbaro, J.A. Caballero, T.W. Donnelly, J.M. Udias, Phys. Lett. B 696 151-155 (2011); Phys. Rev. D 84 033004 (2011); Phys. Rev. Lett. 108 152501 (2012)

- transverse enhancement

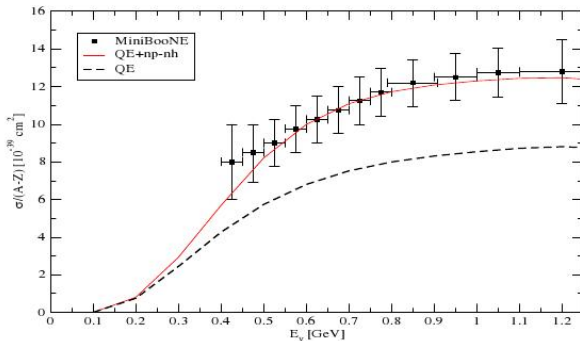
A. Bodek, H.S. Budd, M.E. Christy, EPJ C 71 1726 (2011)

- state of art many body theory computations

A. Lovato, S. Gandolfi, J. Carlson, S. C. Pieper, R. Schiavilla, Phys. Rev. Lett. 112 182502 (2014)



## A solution of the MB large axial mass puzzle



from M. Martini, G. Chanfray, M. Ericson, J. Marteau

The model was ready in  $\sim 2000$  but forgotten for many years.

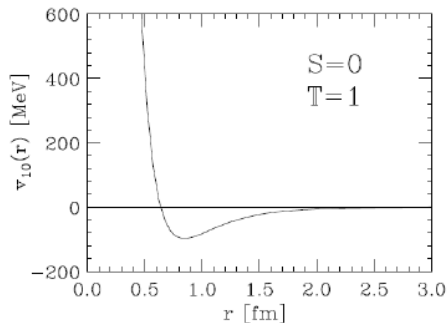




## Nuclear forces

Basic features:

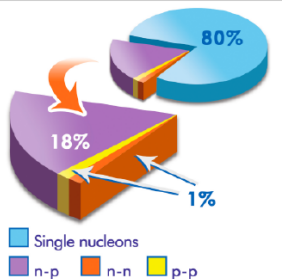
- short range
- attraction at intermediate distances
- strong repulsion at  $r \leq 0.5$  fm
- saturation density is  $\rho \sim 0.16$  fm $^{-3}$
- typical NN distances are  $\sim 1.8$  fm
- at  $r \sim 1.8$  fm NN interaction becomes *weak* and mean field approaches like Fermi gas model can be useful.



## Nucleon correlations

### $^{12}\text{C}$ From $(e,e')$ , $(e,e'p)$ , and $(e,e'pN)$ Results

- 80 +/- 5% single particles moving in an average potential
  - 60 – 70% independent single particle in a shell model potential
  - 10 – 20% shell model long range correlations
- 20 +/- 5% two-nucleon short-range correlations
  - 18% np pairs (quasi-deuteron)
  - 1% pp pairs
  - 1% nn pairs (from isospin symmetry)
- Less than 1% multi-nucleon correlations



## Large nucleon momentum tail

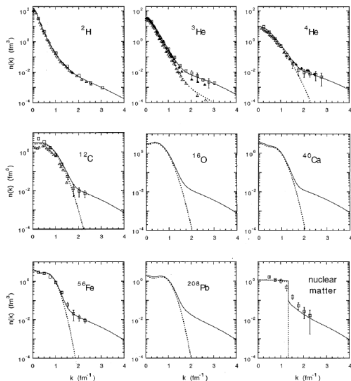
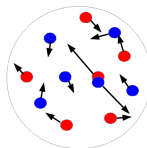


Figure 1: Nucleon momentum distributions  $n(k)$  (solid lines) along with the momentum distribution for nucleons in an average potential (dotted lines) for various nuclei are shown.

from J. Arrington, D.W. Higinbotham, G. Rosner, M. Sargasian

- in the Fermi gas model the distribution is a step function, nucleon momenta are smaller than  $k_F \sim 250 \text{ MeV}/c$
- for carbon  $\sim 25\%$  of nucleon have higher momenta carrying  $\sim 60\%$  of kinetic energy
- notice that the tails are similar for variety of nuclei.



~ 20% of nucleons are in strongly correlated (mostly proton-neutron) pairs with large back to back momenta

## Comparison of $\nu$ two body current models

It is natural to introduce a formalism of *nuclear response functions (structure functions)*.

Notation:

- neutrino 4-vector  $k^\alpha = (E, \vec{k})$
- muon 4-momentum  $k'^\alpha = (E', \vec{k}')$ , mass  $m$
- 4-momentum transfer  $q^\alpha = k^\alpha - k'^\alpha = (\omega, \vec{q})$ ,  $Q^2 = -q_\alpha q^\alpha$ ,
- target nucleon 4-momentum  $p^\alpha$ , mass  $M$

Muon inclusive cross section:

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{d^3k'} = \frac{G_F^2}{(2\pi)^2 E_k E_{k'}} L_{\mu\nu} W^{\mu\nu},$$

$$L_{\mu\nu} = k_\mu k'_\nu + k'_\mu k_\nu - g_{\mu\nu} k \cdot k' - i\varepsilon_{\mu\nu\kappa\lambda} k^\kappa k'^\lambda$$



## Comparison of $\nu$ two body current models

There are five independent components of  $W^{\mu\nu}$ .

In the frame where  $\vec{q} = (0, 0, q)$  one gets:

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{d^3k'} = \frac{G_F^2}{(2\pi)^2 E_k E_{k'}} (L_{00} W^{00} + 2L_{0z} W^{0z} + L_{zz} W^{zz} + 2L_{xx} W^{xx} \pm 2L_{xy} W^{xy})$$

- $W^{\mu\nu}$  are functions of two independent scalars e.g.  $Q^2$  and  $p \cdot q$ .
- situation more complicated than for electron scattering with only two structure functions (expressed in terms of longitudinal and transverse responses),
- $W^{\mu\nu}$  can be represented as sums of contributions from exclusive (no interference between them) channels:

$$W_j = W_j^{1p \ 0\pi} + W_j^{2p \ 0\pi} + W_j^{1p \ 1n \ 0\pi} + \dots$$

- what about two body current contribution?...



## Comparison of $\nu$ two body current models

Below we show how various theoretical models contribute to  $W^{\mu\nu}$

| Model                             | $W^{00}$ | $W^{xx}$ | $W^{xy}$ | $W^{0z}$ | $W^{zz}$ |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Martini et al                     | Green    | Green    | Green    | Green    | Green    |
| Nieves et al                      | Green    | Green    | Green    | Green    | Green    |
| Superscaling                      | Red      | Green    | Red      | Red      | Red      |
| Transverse enhancement            | Red      | Green    | Green    | Red      | Red      |
| Lovato, Carlson, Schiavilla et al | Red      | Green    | Green    | Green    | Green    |

Green color represents YES

Red color represents NO

after M. Martini

Message: big differences between the models.



## Carlson, Schiavilla, Lovato et al computations

- results from J. Carlson, J. Jourdan, R. Schiavilla, I. Sick, Phys. Rev. C**65** (2002) 024002 for electron scattering show that **correlations play a key role in two body current enhancement of the cross section**
- **in their approach correlations are present already in the nucleus ground state**
- when initial state correlations are neglected (Fermi gas model) the extra strength due to two-body current contributions becomes very small.
- almost all the enhancement of the strength due to two-body current comes from proton-neutron, and not from proton-proton or neutron-neutron pairs
- results are presented in a language of sum rules

$$S_{\alpha}(q) = C_{\alpha} \int_{\omega_{thr}}^{\infty} \frac{R_{\alpha}(\omega, q)}{(G_E^p(Q^2))^2}.$$



## Carlson, Schiavilla, Lovato et al computations

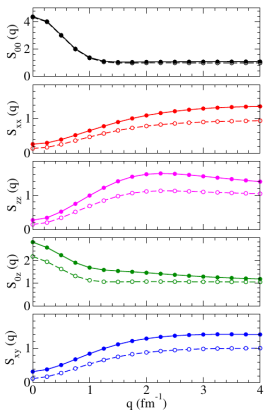


FIG. 1. (Color online) The sum rules  $S_{\mu\nu}$  in  $^{12}\text{C}$ , corresponding to the AV18/IL7 Hamiltonian and obtained with one-body only (dashed lines) and one- and two-body (solid lines) terms in the NC.

A. Lovato, S. Gandolfi, J. Carlson, Steven C. Pieper, R. Schiavilla, *Neutral weak current two-body contributions in inclusive scattering from  $^{12}\text{C}$* , Phys. Rev. Lett. 112 (2014) 182502.

$S_{\mu\nu}(q)$  were calculated for NC scattering off carbon

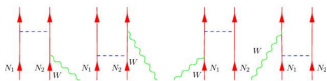
- in the sum rules contribution from pion production is excluded
- virtual pion production is there
- dashed line: one body current only; solid line: a sum of one body and two body current contributions
- in the enhancement due to two body current there is a significant one body – two body current interference term.





## Correlations and interference

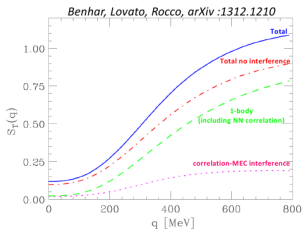
In Martini et al and Nieves et al computations correlations are included via correlation diagrams (and also Landau-Migdal contact term)



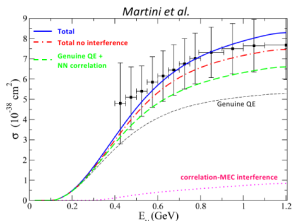
Correlation diagrams

from J.Morfin, JTS

### Sum rule of the transverse response



### Neutrino CCQE-like cross section

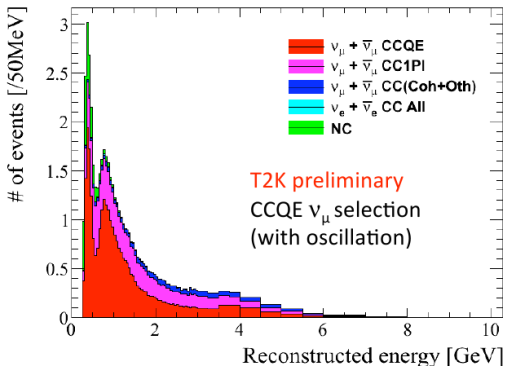


from M. Martini

How large in two body current contribution?

Why it is important?  $\nu$  energy reconstruction.

Below a T2K example.



- is there any bias in translation of the *reconstructed*  $\nu$  energy into the true  $\nu$  energy or vice versa (the oscillation pattern is a function of  $E_{\nu}$  and not of  $E_{rec}$ )
- it is important that MC event generators have correct implementation of the two body contribution



## What is CCQE $\nu_\mu$ reconstructed energy?

Assume that:

- only final state muon is detected
- the interaction was CCQE
- target neutron was a **bound neutron at rest**.

Notation:

four-vectors of  $\nu$ ,  $\mu^-$ , neutron and proton are denoted as:  $k^\mu = (E_\nu, \vec{k})$ ,  $k'^\mu = (E', \vec{k}')$ ,  $p^\mu = (M, \vec{0})$ ,  $p'^\mu = (E_{p'}, \vec{p}')$ .

Energy and momentum conservation ( $B$  is a binding energy,  $m$  is charged lepton mass,  $M$  is nucleon mass):

$$E_\nu + M - B = E' + E_{p'}$$

$$\vec{k} = \vec{k}' + \vec{p}'$$

$$E_{p'}^2 = M^2 + \vec{p}'^2 = M^2 + (\vec{k} - \vec{k}')^2 = M^2 + E_\nu^2 + \vec{k}'^2 - 2E_\nu |\vec{k}'| \cos \theta.$$

$$E_{p'}^2 = (E_\nu - E' + M - B)^2.$$

Neglecting a difference between proton and neutron mass we obtain:

$$E_\nu = \frac{E'(M - B) + B(M - B/2) - m^2/2}{M - B - E' + k' \cos \theta} = E_{CCQE}^{rec}.$$



$\nu$  energy reconstruction – a case study

Consider 100000 random two body current events generated with Nieves et al model.  $E_{\nu}^{TRUE} = 1000$  MeV.

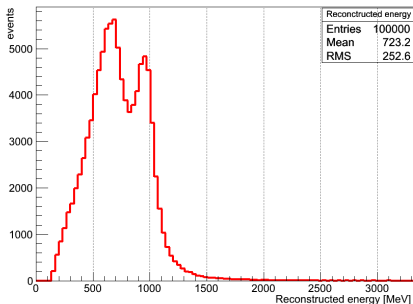
Using the formula

$$E_{CCQE}^{rec} = \frac{E'(M - B) + B(M - B/2) - m^2/2}{M - B - E' + k' \cos \theta}$$

with  $B = 25$  MeV one gets – see on the right.

On average  $\nu$  energy is underestimated by  $\sim 280$  MeV.

investigated in detail by J. Nieves, F. Sanchez, ..., M. Martini, ... U. Mosel, ...



obtained with NuWro MC event generator



## Experimental search for MEC events

It should be clear that it is important to know the size of the two body current contribution to the muon inclusive cross section.

Problem: many sources of multinucleon knock out events

- genuine two body current events
  - it is not known how transferred momentum is shared between both nucleons
- real pion production and absorption
- CCQE and FSI effects

A big challenge.



## Summary:

- good control of  $\nu$  cross sections is necessary to reduce systematic errors in  $\nu$  oscillation experiments
- there is a lot of theoretical and experimental interest in **two body current contribution** to the cross section
- on the theoretical side the main challenges come from
  - nucleon-nucleon correlations
  - one body current – two body current interference.



# Back-up slides



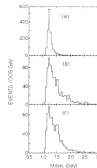
## A short status RES (cont)

- theorists still use 30 years old bubble chamber ANL and BNL (below) deuteron data to learn about  $C_j^A$
- more recent measurements done on nucleus targets

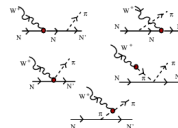
$$\langle \Delta^{++}(p') | V_\mu | N(p) \rangle = \sqrt{3} \bar{\Psi}_\lambda(p') \left[ g_\mu^\lambda \left( \frac{C_3^V}{M} \gamma_\nu + \frac{C_4^V}{M^2} p'_\nu + \frac{C_5^V}{M^2} p_\nu \right) q^\nu - q^\lambda \left( \frac{C_3^V}{M} \gamma_\mu + \frac{C_4^V}{M^2} p'_\mu + \frac{C_5^V}{M^2} p_\mu \right) \right] \gamma_5 u(p)$$

$$\langle \Delta^{++}(p') | A_\mu | N(p) \rangle = \sqrt{3} \bar{\Psi}_\lambda(p') \left[ g_\mu^\lambda \left( \gamma_\nu \frac{C_3^A}{M} + \frac{C_4^A}{M^2} p'_\nu \right) q^\nu - q^\lambda \left( \frac{C_3^A}{M} \gamma_\mu + \frac{C_4^A}{M^2} p'_\mu \right) + g_\mu^\lambda C_5^A + \frac{q^\lambda q_\mu}{M^2} C_6^A \right] u(p).$$

At  $E \sim 1$  GeV  $\Delta$  dominates but in  $\nu_\mu n \rightarrow \mu^- p \pi^0$  and  $\nu_\mu n \rightarrow \mu^- n \pi^+$  nonresonant background is important.



distributions of event in invariant hadronic mass



- recent development: exploration of unitarity constraint (Watson theorem) Nieves et al.



## What is experimental definition of CCQE?

### CCQE as viewed by MiniBooNE

- only two *subevents* (Cherenkov light from muon and electron)
- proton is not analyzed at all
- most of RES events give rise to three *subevents*

### CCQE as viewed by NOMAD

- events with one or two reconstructed trajectories (muons or protons with momentum  $p > 300$  MeV/c)
- kinematical cuts aiming to eliminate events with pions

### Did MiniBooNE and NOMAD measure the same?!...

It seems that two body current contribution is there in the MiniBooNE signal but not in the NOMAD.



# One body – two body current interference

Van Orden and Donnelly (1981)

- Excited states of the Fermi gas (up to  $2ph$  states):

$$|\mathbf{p}\mathbf{h}\rangle = a_{\mathbf{p}}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{h}} |0\rangle \text{ with } p > k_F; h < k_F$$

$$|\mathbf{p}_1\mathbf{p}_2\mathbf{h}_1\mathbf{h}_2\rangle = a_{\mathbf{p}_1}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{p}_2}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{h}_2} a_{\mathbf{h}_1} |0\rangle \text{ with } p_1, p_2 > k_F; h_1, h_2 < k_F$$

- One-body operator  $j_{1b} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} j_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{k}'} a_{\mathbf{k}'}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k}}$  and

$$\langle\mathbf{p}\mathbf{h} | j_{1b} |0\rangle = j_{\mathbf{h}}^{\mathbf{p}}; \quad \langle\mathbf{p}_1\mathbf{p}_2\mathbf{h}_1\mathbf{h}_2 | j_{1b} |0\rangle = 0$$

- Two-body operator  $j_{2b} = 1/2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}_1\mathbf{k}_2\mathbf{k}'_1\mathbf{k}'_2} j_{\mathbf{k}_1,\mathbf{k}_2}^{\mathbf{k}'_1,\mathbf{k}'_2} a_{\mathbf{k}'_1}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k}'_2}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k}_2} a_{\mathbf{k}_1}$  and

$$\langle\mathbf{p}\mathbf{h} | j_{2b} |0\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left( j_{\mathbf{h},\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{k}} - j_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{h}}^{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{k}} \right) \theta(k_F - k); \quad \langle\mathbf{p}_1\mathbf{p}_2\mathbf{h}_1\mathbf{h}_2 | j_{2b} |0\rangle = j_{\mathbf{h}_1,\mathbf{h}_2}^{\mathbf{p}_1,\mathbf{p}_2} - j_{\mathbf{h}_2,\mathbf{h}_1}^{\mathbf{p}_1,\mathbf{p}_2}$$

- Fermi gas response:

$$R(\omega) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{h}} |\langle\mathbf{p}\mathbf{h} | j_{1b} + j_{2b} |0\rangle|^2 \delta(\omega + E_{1ph})$$

$$+ \sum_{\mathbf{p}_1\mathbf{p}_2\mathbf{h}_1\mathbf{h}_2} |\langle\mathbf{p}_1\mathbf{p}_2\mathbf{h}_1\mathbf{h}_2 | j_{2b} |0\rangle|^2 \delta(\omega + E_{2ph})$$

- $1ph$  contribution involves interference between 1b and 2b currents