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Exploring nuclear effects with transverse imbalances

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- The future of transverse measurements

What we want to learn about

Which observables?

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Single Transverse Variables

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- Cross section beyond the Fermi momentum must come from physics beyond RFG \rightarrow 2p2h, FSI, SRCs ...

STV model discrimination - $\delta \alpha_T$

Consider imbalance from only Fermi motion

Fermi motion is isotropic so no preferred δa_T direction

STV model discrimination - δa_T

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- A more general measure of transverse imbalance, more 2p2h and FSI give a larger contribution in the tail
- Not quite as powerful as δp_T and δa_T
- But only requires outgoing particle angles and not their momentum \rightarrow **much better detector resolution on** $\delta \phi_T$

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Scintillator tracker

UA1 Magnet Yoke

TPC

POD $(\pi^{0} -$

detector)

Fine-Grain

Detectors

The players

Elevation View

Signal: $\nu_{\mu} CC0\pi + Np(N > 0)$

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Elevation View

Calorimete Hadronic

30 tons

 $2.14 m -$
3.45 m -

 $-2m -$

Electromagnetic

 15 tons

Catorimeter

 μ

MINOS Near Detector (Muon Spectrometer)

The fluxes

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72K

T2K arXiv: 1802.05078 arXiv: 1805.05486 $p_{\mu} > 250 \text{ MeV}/c$ cos > −0.6 < 20°

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 $\theta_{\mu} < 20^{\circ}$ $450 < p_p < 1200 \ MeV/c$ $1.5 < p_{\mu} < 10 \text{ GeV/c}$

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We may be way off the map!

We've been shown a "map" of where we can expect our models to work …

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Shape only vs full xsec

Will mostly focus on showing "shape-only" results: $\frac{1}{2}$ σ $d\sigma$ dx

- Avoids the potential to misinterpret the results due to uncertain flux normalisation
- Hides the impact of some nucleon-level physics
	- E.g. M_A^{QE} does not alter the shape of the STVs
	- No possibility of mixing up the impact of 2p2h and M_{A}^{QE}

- The bulk of the distribution does not have the "Fermi-cliff" present in RFG models – **rejection of RFG model**
- No model separation in the tail \rightarrow not surprising since this is dominated by other 2p2h and FSI effects

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- SF appears important to fill in the "dip" region (SRCs extend the initial state nucleon momentum distribution)

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models. NuWro FSI too weak?

60

80

100 120 140 160 180

 $\delta\alpha_{\tau}$ (degrees)

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- Best probe of this is $\delta \phi_T$

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Removing this "elastic" FSI gives comparisons much more compatible with the results

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	- T=1 gives near perfect agreement with MiniBooNE
- But this comes mostly from the result's normalisation – sensitive to flux normalisation error

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- T2K results prefer T=0 but also susceptible to flux normalisation

Presently available data thus do not allow to determine the neutrino-induced 2p2h processes to better than within a factor of 2. For this situation to change the flux would have to be known to significantly better than 10% . Phys. Rev. C **94**, 035502

Or maybe we just need more shape sensitivity to 2p2h …

Exploring 2p2h using GiBUU

Looking at δp_T for GiBUU with T=1, the 2p2h contribution seems too strong

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- T=0 looks much better! This time the conclusion is not sensitive to the flux normalisation
- For 40 Ar expect T=2 \rightarrow strong enhancement factor. MicroBooNE results will be interesting …

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Finer binning?

- T2K correlated-kinematics measurements are already quite limited by detector resolution
- Significantly finer binning not feasible without improved detector performance (or excessive regularisation)

Ready by ~ 2021

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Measuring the STV with ND280 upgrade

- More mass, more data, better acceptance: at least **50 times** more events than T2K analysis!
- With two times finer binning (assuming improved upgrade resolution) expect a ~5 times reduction in statistical error: ~13%→~3%

Sensitive to all nuclear effects but can still be hard to disentangle them all …

Multi-differential STV

Measuring $\delta p_{\textit{T}}$ in bins of $\delta \alpha_{\textit{T}}$ may allow excellent separation of 2p2h and FSI - makes use of high statistics from upgrade.

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NEUT 5.4.0 CC0π Carbon 6 Hydrogen 5 Hydrocarbon 4 (Scaled to show same 3 shape in the tail) 2 100 200 300 400 500 δp_{τ} (MeV/c) **Analysis from L. Munteanu**

- \bar{v}_μ CC0 π allows a H contribution
- H has no nuclear effects, so no transverse imbalance
- Could use STV to extract H and make a ~ nucleareffect free cross-section!
- Factorise nuclear from nucleon physics
- Can also have near perfect kinematic neutrino energy reconstruction

Can you do this in a real detector!?

• Assume conservative neutron detection capabilities of a SuperFGD (comparable to what MINERvA have shown)

• Work in progress – let me know if you are interested!

Analysis from L. Munteanu

Summary

- The single-transverse variables offer a novel probe of nuclear effects in vN interactions
- T2K and MINERvA have measured them!
- **Sensitive to nuclear models**: RFG is disfavoured and results hint at a need for SF-like SRCs
- **Sensitive to FSI**: GENIE's elastic component disfavoured.
- **Sensitive to 2p2h**: no need for an empirical enhancement within NEUT 5.4.0 and sensitive to T in GiBUU model
- Future measurements may be able to more accurately probe 2p2h through **combining** δp_T **and** δa_T
- Possibility of using STVs and neutron-tagging to **access hydrogen interactions**

Thank you for listening

If you want to find out more:

Phys. Rev. C **94**, 015503 (07/16) – Initial suggestion of using the STV

arXiv: 1802.05078 (02/18) – T2K measurement of transverse variables

arXiv: 1804.09488 (04/18) – Analysis of T2K result in GiBUU framework

arXiv: 1805.05486 (05/18) – MINERvA measurement of transverse variables

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What can be measured

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<u>T2K</u>

Sensitivity to 2p2h and FSI

- Considering 100% variations of the mean-free path between scattering in the NEUT FSI cascade model
- At least some 2p2h contribution still required

ND280 vs Upgrade - exposure

Current ND280 results

- Limited kinematic phasespace: p_{μ} > 250 MeV/c $cos(\theta_u) > -0.6$ 450 $MeV/c < p_{\mu} < 1 GeV/c$ $cos(\theta_p) > 0.4$
- ~30% integrated efficiency
- 1 ton fiducial mass
- $\sim 6 \times 10^{20}$ P.O.T

Super FGD potential

• Barely limited kinematic phasespace: p_{μ} > 50 MeV/c

> 300 $MeV/c < p_\mu < 1 GeV/c$ *No angular restrictions*

- ~60% integrated efficiency
- 2 ton fiducial mass
- \sim 8 × 10²¹ P.O.T

- At least **50 times more events**
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- Can only get ϵ by using a model to predict the particle kinematics in each bin of the STV \rightarrow model dependent $\epsilon \rightarrow$ **result biased to input sim.**

- Kinematic constraints can give us a **flat efficiency** in the underlying kinematics
- In this case the shape of the input model doesn't alter the efficiency → **model independent correction**!
- Essential that experiments ensure unbiased efficiency corrections or we won't learn anything!

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T2K Fit to Da

 $RES(\pi \text{ prod.})$

 $\frac{1.8}{\delta p}$ (GeV)

T2K Fit to Data

 $RES(\pi \text{ prod.})$

2.5

 $\frac{1}{6}$ $\frac{2.5}{60}$ $\frac{3.0}{7}$ (radians)

 2.5

 $\delta \alpha_{\tau}$ (radians)

 2.0

 3.0

CCQE

 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2p2h

2.0

 2.0

 1.5

Other

 $\gamma^2 = 12.59$

CCQE

 $\frac{2}{2}$ 2p2h

Other

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 0.8

 $y^2 = 32.49$

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TABLE IX. The full and shape-only χ^2 comparisons to the δp_T result with nominal and no regularization. The table is ordered by the size of the no-regularization shape-only χ^2 . More details of these models can be found in Sec. IVA.

		Full		Shape Only	
Generator	No Reg.	Nom. Reg.	No Reg.	Nom. Reg.	
NEUT 5.4.0 (LFG _N + 2p2 h_N)	31.6	30.4	3.38	2.60	
NEUT 5.3.2.2 (SF + $2p2h_N + 2 \times FSI$)	15.9	14.8	11.0	10.1	
NEUT 5.3.2.2 $(SF + 2p2h_N)$	31.9	30.3	16.6	15.5	
NuWro 11q $(SF + 2p2h_N)$	22.6	23.1	16.8	15.6	
NuWro 11q $(LFG + 2p2h_N)$	81.5	81.7	39.0	15.6	
NuWro 11q (LFG + RPA + $2p2h_N$)	78.5	84.4	39.9	36.3	
NEUT 5.3.2.2 (SF + $2p2h_N$ + No FSI)	114	112	42.9	41.4	
GENIE 2.12.4 (RFG + $2p2h_E$)	92.9	92.4	47.9	47.7	
NuWro $11q$ (SF w/o $2p2h$)	65.8	68.7	55.4	54.8	
NEUT 5.3.2.2 (SF w/o 2p2h)	93.3	91.5	61.2	59.6	
GiBUU 2016 (LFG + $2p2h_G$)	77.0	78.9	66.1	59.6	
NuWro 11q $(RFG + 2p2h_N)$	150	155	67.2	69.0	
NuWro 11q (RFG + RPA + $2p2h_N$)	155	172	68.6	70.4	
GENIE 2.12.4 (RFG w/o 2p2h)	94.6	97.8	74.1	76.2	
GiBUU 2017 T=0		32.5			
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39.0	36.7	7.55	6.40
9.95	8.70	7.71	6.57
18.4	17.0	9.59	8.45
14.4	13,5	10.8	9.70
66.8	65.9	29.7.0	29.0
81.5	81.4	30.5	30.1
76.3	77.3	32.1	31.3
84.7	85.5	40.1	39.4
47.5	48.9	42.1	42.3
79.3	78.8	42.6	42.0
60.6	61.0	43.7	43.8
43.4	44.1	45.6	46.2
208	211	114	115
192	193	128	128
	12.6		

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NEUT 5.4.0 (LFG _N + $2p2h_N$)	63.0	60.7	22.8	20.8
NuWro $11q$ (SF w/o $2p2h$)	20.0	18.9	23.4	21.4
NEUT 5.3.2.2 (SF + $2p2h_N$ + No FSI)	49.9	48.2	28.3	26.3
NuWro 11q (LFG + RPA + $2p2h_N$)	44.9	43.6	28.6	26.3
GiBUU 2016 (LFG + $2p2h_G$)	41.3	40.2	35.5	33.7
NuWro 11q (RFG + RPA + $2p2h_N$)	58.2	57.5	38.1	35.8
GENIE 2.12.4 (RFG + $2p2h_F$)	88.5	90.2	40.1	39.6
GENIE 2.12.4 (RFG w/o 2p2h)	38.6	72.0	62.6	64.1
GiBUU 2017 T=0		17.9		
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More from MINERvA arXiv: 1805.05486

More from MINERVA Xianguo Lu Fermilab

wine and cheese

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Muon Momentum

Regardless of what observable is being manipulated, as you increase the momentum of the neutrino, the rivers become more linear and quickly enter the grasslands region.

Proton Azimuthal Angle

General Remarks and **Conclusions**

The data represented by the black squares are the same for each plot. The grey box represents the mountains and foothills regions. The parameters that are fixed are listed in the corner of each plot.

Analyzing the Nuclear Recoil System in Neutrino-Nucleus Reactions

T.W. Donnelly¹, K. Mahn², J. Morrison², J.W. Van Orden³

More work will need to be done in order to better understand the nuclear physics of the grasslands region and how the neutrinonucleus cross section is distributed across these interactions.

In order for experiments to probe the phase space covered by the valence mountains, sensitivies will likely need to be pushed lower. More studies will need to be performed to find how low the sensitivies must be.

Proton Momentum

Even for low neutrino momentum, most of the rivers that have been calculated lie above the valence mountain region, where the bulk of the neutrino-nucleus cross section lives.

Proton Polar Angle

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T2K Efficiency arXiv: 1802.05078

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MINERvA Efficiency / smearing

Overall efficiency: \sim 9% Xianguo Lu, Oxford (Fermilab wine and cheese)

Peak region (see later slides)

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