24 th International Workshop on Neutrinos from Accelerators (NuFACT 2023)

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Introduction

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- Active field: 54 abstracts, 4 plenary talks, 33 parallel talks
- Main motivation: importance for future neutrino oscillation measurements and searches for new physics

Neutrino-Nucleus Interactions Uncertainty

In accelerated-based neutrino oscillation program, neutrino-nucleus interactions constitute one of the dominant systematic uncertainties.

. One of the largest uncertainties in current long-baseline experiments, T2K and NOvA.

- neutrino interaction systematics uncertainties will be dominant.
- It can not only delay physics results by years but could well be difference in achieving or missing discovery (level precision).

V. Pandey

Joint session with WG1 3

Ability to describe neutrino scattering critical for precise oscillation measurements, in particular in LBL experiments

V. Pandey

Describing neutrino scattering data ⁴

However, we're currently not able to do that

Neutrino interaction cross sections are hard to model. Our current generator predictions are all ruled out by existing measurements.

S. Dolan

Tuning with near detectors

- M_A^{QE} increased above prior, CCQE high Q^2 cross section increased, Short Range Correlations (SRC) normalisation increased
- · Pauli Blocking increased
	- \rightarrow Changes low Q^2 region of CC0 π 0p with little impact on CC0 π Np
- 2p2h normalisation increased by \sim 20% for ν and \sim 5% for $\bar{\nu}$
	- \rightarrow Less than previous analysis due to correlations with SRC
- 2p2h shape parameters pulled towards non- Δ region
	- \rightarrow Shift 2p2h towards low q_0

Interaction systematics 6

ND tuning needs systematic uncertainties for interaction models

- 1. Improving a model through detailed theoretical calculations (extension to a large enough Kinematic regions)
- 2. Transforming the model to something that could be easily and efficiently incorporated into event generators
- Studying the systematic uncertainties of the theoretical model 3.
- Providing a few adjustable **physics-based parameters**, or "knobs" 4. which can be used in future measurements

M. Kabirnezhad

- Our systematic uncertainty models are almost certainly incomplete \bullet
- Model spread is a useful tool to define or inspire supplementary \bullet systematics $q \leq 0.3$ GeV - GENIEv3 10a $-$ GENIE_{V3} 108 GENIE_{V2} NELIT

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Understanding neutrino interactions

Neutrino-Nucleus Interactions: Wish List

- We need a consistent model of neutrino interaction physics for:
	- wide energy transfer range (10s of MeV to a few GeV)
	- many nuclei (in particular, 12C, 16O and 40Ar)
	- all neutrino and antineutrino flavors
		- For appearance searches: constrain ν_{μ} to ν_{ρ} differences (lepton mass effects, radiative corrections)
		- For CP violation searches: constrain ν to $\bar{\nu}$ differences (especially relevant for an isospin asymmetric nuclei like ⁴⁰Ar)
	- all final state observables (inclusive and semi-inclusive/exclusive).

And, the model

Vishvas Pandev

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- is validated against existing data (e.g. electron scattering)
- allows estimation of theoretical uncertainties
- allows robust implementation into generators
- This requires development of a combination of lattice QCD, nuclear many body theories, and neutrino event generators with input from neutrino, electron/hadron scattering data.

Plenary: Modeling neutrino-nucleus cross section

Overview of theory models and generators by N. Jachowicz

- QE processes are dominating the signal in experiments with average energies of a couple of hundreds of MeVs \bullet
- A thorough understanding of the QE cross section is extremely important as it is pivotal for the oscillation analysis \bullet
- Correct identification of the reaction mechanism is important but not straightforward

Parallel session: Multi-nucleon emission

Two-Nucleon Emission in Quasielastic Neutrino and Electron Scattering induced by short-range correlations

Mean field models

J. McKean

\triangleright Hartree-Fock mean field

- Mean-field models capture a lot of nuclear medium effects in a natural and efficient way
- \bullet Can be extended to include long-range RPA correlations

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Implementation progress

- I am currently implementing the nuclear model into the NEUT neutrino event generator framework.
- We seen an in-depth description of NEUT given by Luke in the previous talk. (please see talk).
- The model is now "inside" NEUT and the model is called when it: needs to be and produces events.
- Current efforts are being made to ensure the correctness of the events since the model code stems from outside NEUT.

What can mean-field models offer?

- Good inclusive cross section with full hadronic information (at the primary vertex).

- Excellent prediction of the elastic 1p-1h channel: useful to benchmark cascade models.

Inclusive electron scattering at intermediate q:

Distortion of the outgoing nucleon (elastic FSI in a Quantum Mechanical way) is important at intermediate energies too !!!

SIS/DIS

- An important challenge for the energy range relevant for DUNE will be reliably bridging the transition from strong interactions described in terms of hadronic degrees of freedom to those among quarks and gluons described by perturbative QCD
- Least understood region (also referred to as dragon region :-))
- There is a strong need for new experimental data of neutrino scattering on nucleons and nuclei as well as theoretical studies of how to consistently model this transition region

Quark-hadron duality

- It was observed about 50 years ago.
- The resonances oscillate around an average scaling curve.
- Scaling behaviour would imply that the nucleon target appears as a collection of point-like constituents when probed at very high energies in DIS.
- Establishes a relationship between the quark-gluon description, and the hadronic description.

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From I. Niculescu et al.

M. Kabirnezhad

Minoo Kabirnezhad

Resonant interactions 13

London

M. Kabirnezhad presented an update of MK model for single pion production Extended to high Q^2 (6 GeV²) and W (2 GeV)

Data/models comparison at low Q^2 M. Kabirnezhad Phys.Rev.C 107 (2023)

Minoo Kabirnezhad

SIS/DIS: models

Bodek-Yang Model

Bodek-Yang model: describe DIS cross section in all Q² regions \blacktriangleright

Bodek-Yang Effective LO PDFs Model

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 $6.010.0$ $50.000.0$

 0.510

- 1. Start with GRV LO PDF $(Q_{\text{min}}=0.80)$
- 2. Replace x_{hi} with a new scaling, ξ_w
- 3. Multiply all PDFs by K factors for photo prod. limit and higher twist

 \int $\sigma(\gamma) = 4\pi\alpha/Q^2$ * $F_2(x, Q^2)$] Ksea = $Q^2/[Q^2+C$ sea] Kval = $[1 - G₀^2 (Q²)]$ * $[Q^2 + C_{2v}] / [Q^2 + C_{1v}]$ motivated by Adler Sum rule where G_n^2 (Q²) = $1/$ [$1+Q^2$ / 0.71]² 4. Freeze the evolution at $Q^2 = Q^2$ _{min} - $F_2(x, Q^2 < 0.8) = K(Q^2) * F_2(\xi w, Q^2 = 0.8)$

5. Fit all DIS F₂(p/D) data: SLAC/BCDMS/NMC/HERA data

Axial Vector Structure Functions

At high Q^2 , vector and axial vector contribution are same, but not at low Q² U-K Yang

- Machine learning parametrisation of low Q using neutrino scattering data.
- High Q region comes from pQCD.
- Account for nuclear effects.

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Target mass corrections

(R. Ruiz) why look into power corrections?

nuclei (A) are not protons (\mathcal{P}) \circledcirc

• Starting from OPE, derived TMCs for arbitrary A for F_1, \ldots, F_6 \odot (lenthy appendix to avoid ambiguities in conventions!)

sketched in next few slides!

Nuclear Parton Distribution Functions (Ji-Young Yu)

Neutrino DIS vs Charged lepton DIS

Ultimate analysis: " Compatibility of Neutrino DIS data and Its Impact on **Nuclear Parton Distribution Functions", arXiv:2204.13157**

- Most thorough analysis so far (thesis K. F. Muzakka, U Münster): different tools to analyse compatibility of data
- Neutrino data creates significant tensions between key data sets: neutrino vs charged lepton+DY+LHC
- Tensions among different neutrino data sets: iron (CDHSW, NuTeV, CCFR) vs lead (CHORUS)?
- Next nCTEO analysis will include CHORUS and Di-muon data but not NuTeV, CCFR, CDHSW data

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How experiments use models and compare them to data Active field: many generators, some general some more focused

Standard generators

GENIE

- 3. Summary of recent developments
- 4. Medium energy neutrino scattering in GENIE
- 5. High energy / ultra high energy neutrino scattering in GENIE
- 6. Low energy neutrino scattering in GENIE
- 7. New BSM generators in GENIE

- Substantial developments since the release of v3 in Oct 2018
- GENIE v4 on the horizon
	- Rea'd devel: DCC [53, 54], MAID [59], reweighting support for tunes.
	- Will feature a novel but reduced/targeted set of ME physics configurations
	- New tuning campaign and uncertainty evaluation for preferred configurations, including new analyses (TKI and FSI global fits)

GiBUU

The Giessen Boltzmann-Uehling-Uhlenbeck Project

NEUT: L. Pickering

Maintained 'in house' for use on T2K and SK:

Development targets the needs of the long baseline oscillation Ω and cross-section programmes

Electron Scattering

- New capability to run an e-like mode in NEUT
- Can be used to benchmark nuclear response $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left|\frac{G}{3}\right|_{2000}$ implementation:

Future: NEUT 6

- Development has begun on NEUT6 Targeted at HK and final T2K analyses:
	- Significant reorganization of code-base \circ
	- Improved, modern build system \circ
	- Removed dependence on an external CERNLIB2005 \circ
	- New TOML-based configuration file \circ
	- Modern C/Fortran interop \circ
	- Automatic C/Fortran interface generation for model integration \circ
- Aim is to release NEUT6 as open source under the GPL before the end of \bullet 2023

Generators: focus on some developments

Spectral function in GENIE N.Steinberg

Incorporating new models into event generators

- Common issue is large time/person investment \bullet
	- Translating codes/phase space/form factors/constants/FSI models/etc..
- **GENIE Fortran Interface**
	- Instead of a pre-computed hadron tensor, compute \bullet it on the fly!
	- Use existing Fortran code to compute unintegrated A^{µv} (different than W!)
		- Fully exclusive

Summary of Workshop on Common Neutrino Event Generator Tools

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Potential

Each nucleon in the nucleus has its position and momentum and moves freely in a square potential well. Nuclear model is essentially classical. with some additional ingredients to mimic quantum effects.

Pauli Blocking

criteria by which the state cannot be occupied

Events inside cascade · decay/collision • reflection

- transmission with probability to leave the
- nucleus as a nuclear cluster

FSI with INCL A. Ershova

Flexible tool: has been implemented in GEANT4 and GENIE

De-excitation: ABLA, SMM. GEMINI

will use ABLA, since it proved We work for the light nuclei to Phys. J. Plus 130, 153 (2015))

First neutrino simulation results: Phys.Rev.D 106, 3 (2022)

 $INCL + ABLA$ simulation features **massive difference** in nucleon kinematics in comparison to **NuWro**

Evaporation

Experiment

Plenary: Determination of the Argon SF from (e,e'p) data 21

FACTORISATION OF THE NUCLEAR CROSS SECTION

 \star In the PWIA regime, corresponding to $\lambda \ll d_{NN} \sim 1.5$ fm, nuclear scattering reduces to the incoherent sum of scattering processes involving individual nucleons

- \star Basic assumptions
	- \triangleright $J_4^{\mu}(q) \approx \sum_i j_i^{\mu}(q)$ (single-nucleon coupling)
	- \triangleright $|(A-1)_n, \mathbf{p}' \rangle \approx |(A-1)_n \rangle \otimes |\mathbf{p}' \rangle$ (factorization of the final state)
- \star As a zero-th order approximation, Final State Interactions (FSI) and processes involving two-nucleon Meson-Exchange Currents (MEC) are neglected. Their effects are included as corrections.

RELEVANCE TO NEUTRINO EXPERIMENTS

- \star The approach based on factorisation and the spectral function formalism provides a fully consistent theoretical framework, uniquely suited to meet the challenges posed by the interpretation of neutrino interactions
	- It allows to combine an accurate description of nuclear structure and dynamics-which can be obtained from non relativistic nuclear many-body theory—with a fully relativistic treatment of the variety of the hadronic final states produced in scattering processes involving broad-band neutrino beams
- \star The spectral functions extracted from $Ar(e, e'p)$ and $Ti(e, e'p)$ will be essential for the description of events observed by accelerator-based neutrino experiments using liquid argon detectors

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS ARGON DATA

Nucleon knock-out from Argon has been also studied in the proton pick-up reaction ${}^{40}\text{Ar}({}^{2}\text{H},{}^{3}\text{He})$ using both inpolarised and polarised deuteron beams

 \triangleright The results of present analysis turn out to be largely compatible with previous data

O. Benhar

Experimental cross-section results on Ar and non-Ar targets

SUMMARY

Neutrino Cross Section measurements provides a model independent probe on the many assumptions adopted for oscillation and other BSM physics.

MINERvA and the near detectors of T2K and NOvA have been/are delivering high statistical studies:

- MINERvA explored many different channels and developed MINERvA-informed.
	- · Generally observed a need of low Q2 suppression, also observed by others (T2K, NOvA).
	- Factorization in longitudinal and transversal momentum, and the triple differential cross sections provides unvaluable information that is going to take a while to digest.
	- Data preservation plan is pioneering in the community and very welcomed!
- . T2K has produced several ratios and simultaneous fit measurements (nu/anti-nu, O/CH,...).
	- Tests over a variety of models (NEUT, GENIE, NuWRO, GiBUU), but no tests on MINERvA tunings.
	- Stay tuned for the T2K ND upgrade!
- NOvA has explored CC inclusive and inclusive π^0 productions. A large amount of data has been already explored.
- CEvNS results, on different targets, are already coming. See talks by:
	- Overview of physics results with coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering data. Matteo Cadeddu. 8/22/23.
	- Study of Neutrino Interactions by the COHERENT collaboration. Yuri Efremenko. 8/25/23.

R. Castillo Fernández

Wealth of New Data Ahead

More statistics: better isolation of various final state topologies SBND expects 20-30 times more data in the BNB than current data sets, average neutrino energy 0.8 GeV BND Nulnt '22

Icarus will measure NuMI neutrinos at ~5 degrees off axis (up to ~2 GeV) in addition to BNB neutrinos Icarus NuINT '22

DUNE 2x2 ND Demonstrator will collect NuMI data on-axis over a range of energies (~2-8 GeV) $_{2\times2$ NuINT 2022

Opportunity for high statistics measurements, possibility of NuMI anti-neutrinos in Icarus and DUNE 2x2

S. Berkman

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2023: First triple differential measurement

MicroBooNE: arXiv:2307.06413

ArgoNeuT and MicroBooNE

- Liquid argon time projection chamber detectors
- To date most neutrino-argon cross section measurements are from these experiments \bullet

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Disclaimer: On this talk I will mostly focus on recent results from **MINERVA, T2K, NOVA**

due to time constraints.

Charged Current Inclusive measurements (CC)

MINERvA

NuMI low energy mode, <E,> ~3.5GeV Flux uncertainty 7% on average (dominant uncertainty)

Selected 325,588 events of v_u CC on hydrocarbon **Lepton kinematics**

Parallel: experimental cross-section results ²⁵

Results and perspectives from many experiments presented during workshop (very) quick overview in the coming slides

Parallel: experimental cross-section results COHERENT

Physics of SN explosion is very rich 99% of explosion energy is emitted by Neutrinos SN explosion is one of the sources of heavy elements in the universe

Are we ready for the next galactic SN?

What Experimental Data do we have for Low Energy (<100 MeV) Neutrino **Interactions on Nuclei?**

What Are Nuclear Targets for the Large Neutrino Detectors?

C. O. Ar. Xe. Pb

Yu. Efremenko

lodine cross section results

Best fit gives 541^{+121}_{-22} events or 5.8σ evidence of CC

Corresponds to cross section of $9.2^{+2.1}_{-1.8}$ * 10⁻⁴⁰ cm² or 40% of MARLEY prediction

Heavy Water Detector to Measure Neutrino Flux and CC on oxygen Specifications . 0.55 tons D₂O within acrylic inner C. Mohammad at al. Mont Diver A704/00031 E40 Prompt NC v. +d \rightarrow 1.8*10⁻⁴¹ cm² . Water Cherenkov Calorimetry Delayed NC $v_{q_1 + d} + d \rightarrow 6.0^{+1}0^{-41}$ cm²
Delayed CC $v_+ + d \rightarrow 5.5^{+1}0^{-41}$ cm² HzO "tail catcher" for fight shorts, . H₂O "tail catcher" for high energy e" etector calibration with Electrons from cosmic muo came energy range Outer steel vessel to . Load Shielding . Neutrino Alley space constraints for the D2O · Hermetic veto system -1 m diameter x 2.3 m height

. Locations 20 meters from the SNS target Will do CC measurement on Oxygen for SN

Eli Ward poster on Wednesday

detector are:

Future for LAr - 1 ton LAr detector Need high statistics and low background measurements for CEvNS and good energy linearity for CC

Transition from 22 kg to 1 ton LAr detector. Can fit at the same place where presently is CENSS-10

Will see 3kt of CEvNS events per year + 400 CC

R&D on compact TPC

Detector is being build by our Korean collaborators at SNU See Haemin Jeong talk yearly today

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100 cm Diamet

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Teflon

Reflector

Parallel: experimental cross-section results ND of LBL experiments: T2K and NOVA

T₂K L. Koch

- Recent official results
	- Charged current coherent on carbon
	- Combined on- and off-axis $0\pi^{+/-}$
- Upcoming measurements
	- Intermediate angle $0\pi^{+/-}$ and combination of all angles
	- Kaon production

sections in 2p2h region

Theory models are underestimating cross section in 2p2h region

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Parallel: experimental Results MINERVA

MINERvA recently published (Nature 614, 48-53) a high statistics, ~5000 event, measurement of the reaction $\bar{v}_\mu p \to \mu^+ n$, which we call "charged-current elastic scattering".

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 0.05 0.10 0.15

 $\delta\theta_{\rm p}$ (degree

Free Nucleon Axial Form Factor

- We have ~5800 such events on a background of ~12500.
- Shape is not a great fit to a dipole at high Q^2 .
- LQCD prediction at high Q^2 is close to this result, but maybe not at moderate Q^2 .

Recent results from MINERVA V. Ansari

- Nuclear dependence on :
	- Neutrino CCOE-like: A-dependence on C, CH, H_2O , Fe, Pb
	- Neutrino $CC1\pi^+$: A-dependence on C, CH, H₂O, Fe, Pb
	- Neutrino CC1 π^0 : A-dependence on Fe, Pb

• Antineutrino CCQE-like on CH

Parallel: experimental cross-section results 29 **Liquid Argon experiments**

Parallel: experimental cross-section results 30 **Emulsion**

Emulsion technology also allows precise tracking with low thresholds and different target materials

Also used for measurement of high energy neutrino produced at LHC (next slide)

Parallel: experimental cross-section results 31 **High energy**

Measurement of the inelasticity distribution of neutrino-nucleon interactions for 100 GeV < E_{v} < 1 TeV with IceCube DeepCore

<y> comparison to model predictions

Parallel: experimental cross-section results ³² **Neutron and electrons**

Electrons for Neutrinos

N. Steinberg

"Any model must work for electrons to work for neutrinos"

ANNIE A. Sutton

First beam neutrinos

- Beam spill + high PMT readings define a 2 us trigger window
- Additional PMT signals open up an extended 70 us window to detect delayed neutrons
- Beam neutron capture time agrees with AmBe calibration

Conclusion 33

- Understanding and being able to describe neutrino scattering critical for future study of neutrino oscillations and a number of BSM searches
- Many challenges, but very active community, many efforts on-going in theory, interaction generators and experiments
- Great problem to have as conveners: so many contributions that it is difficult to make the program for the WG sessions.
- Takeaway from convenors:
	- ➢ Growing interest/need for model systematics and a desire for theory-based uncertainties
	- ➢ An effort should be make to incorporate state-of-the-art nuclear models in generators. These models (for the primary vertex: QE, RES and 2p-2h) should provide information on the hadrons, which are then propagated through the nucleus with the cascade
	- ➢ Many experimental measurements already available, even more expected in the near future: plenty of data to study neutrino scatterings in the coming years