

*Deep inelastic scattering from nucleons and
nuclei*

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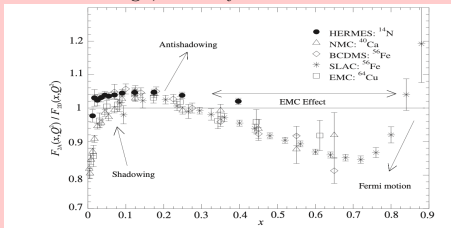
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- 1 The study of (anti)neutrino reactions from the nuclear targets has been emphasized as almost all the present generation (anti)neutrino experiments use moderate to heavy nuclear targets like ^{12}C , ^{16}O , ^{40}Ar , ^{56}Fe , ^{208}Pb , where the interactions take place with the nucleons that are bound inside the nucleus.
- 2 Various experiments like MINER ν A, NO ν A, T2K, etc., are being performed in the few GeV energy region where the contribution to the scattering cross section comes from all the possible channels, viz., quasielastic, inelastic, and deep inelastic scattering processes.
- 3 The precision with which the basic neutrino-nucleon cross sections in nuclear targets are known is still not better than 20-30%.
- 4 Neutrino oscillation experiments measure events that are a convolution of
 - (i) energy-dependent neutrino flux and
 - (ii) energy-dependent cross section.
- 5 In the Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE), it is expected that more than 30% of the events would come from the DIS region

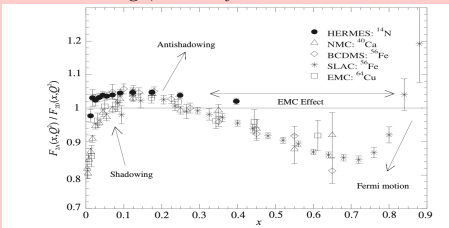
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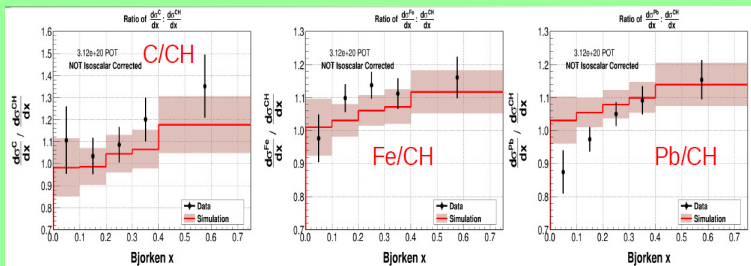


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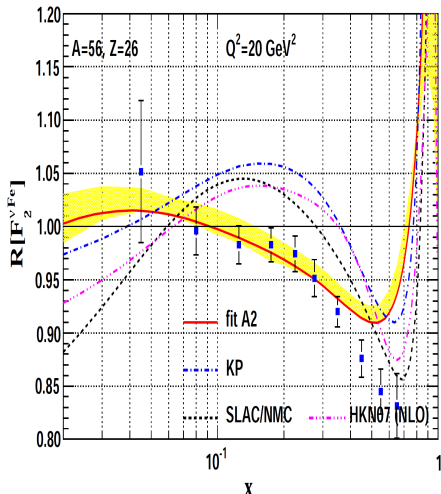
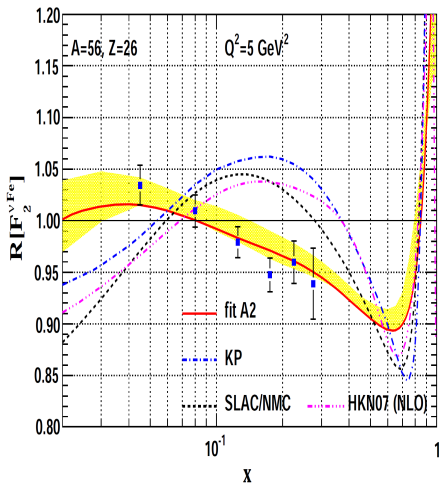
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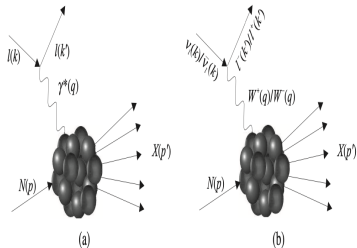
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If we look inside the nucleus

We have incorporated the following NME in the present calculation

- 1 Fermi motion
- 2 Pauli blocking
- 3 Nucleon correlations
- 4 Pion and rho meson cloud contributions
- 5 Shadowing and antishadowing

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- In any nuclear reaction, the nucleons from a certain filled state are excited to a higher unoccupied state depending upon the energy transfer, creating a hole in the previously occupied state. This is called the creation of a particle-hole(1p-1h) state in the in the Fermi sea.

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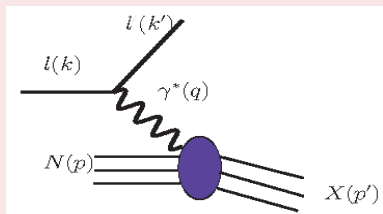
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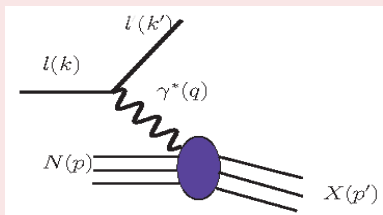


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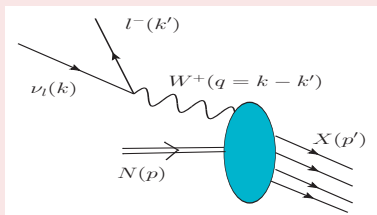


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└ Fermi motion and Binding energy

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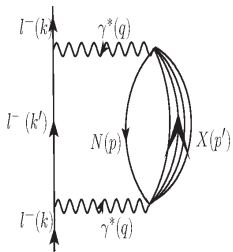
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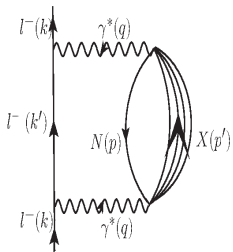
Γ is also related to imaginary part of lepton self energy:

$$-\frac{\Gamma}{2} = \frac{m_l}{E_l(\mathbf{k})} \text{Im}\Sigma$$

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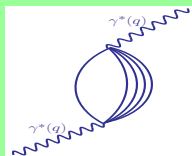
$$-i\Sigma(k) = \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \bar{u}_l(\mathbf{k}) i e \gamma^\mu i \frac{\not{k}' + m}{k'^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \\ i e \gamma^\nu u_l(\mathbf{k}) \frac{-i g_{\mu\rho}}{q^2} (-i) \Pi^{\rho\sigma}(q) \frac{-i g_{\sigma\nu}}{q^2}$$

Imaginary part of lepton self energy:

$$\text{Im}\Sigma(k) = e^2 \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_l} \theta(q^0) \text{Im}(\Pi^{\alpha\beta}) \frac{1}{q^4} \frac{1}{2m} L_{\alpha\beta}$$

In this expression, $\Pi^{\alpha\beta}$ is the photon self-energy, which is written in terms of the nucleon (G_l) and meson (D_j) propagators.

photon self-energy $\Pi^{\alpha\beta}(q)$ in the nuclear medium:



$$\Pi^{\alpha\beta}(q) = e^2 \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} G(p) \sum_X \sum_{s_p, s_l} \prod_{i=1}^N \int \frac{d^4 p'_i}{(2\pi)^4} \prod_l G_l(p'_l) \prod_j D_j(p'_j)$$

$$\langle X | J^\mu | H \rangle \langle X | J^\nu | H \rangle^* (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(q + p - \sum_{i=1}^N p'_i)$$

where s_p is the spin of the nucleon, s_l is the spin of the fermions in X , $\langle X | J^\mu | H \rangle$ is the hadronic current for the initial state nucleon to the final state hadrons, index l, j are respectively, stands for the fermions and for the bosons in the final hadronic state X , and $\delta^4(q + p - \sum_{i=1}^N p'_i)$ ensures the conservation of four momentum at the vertex.

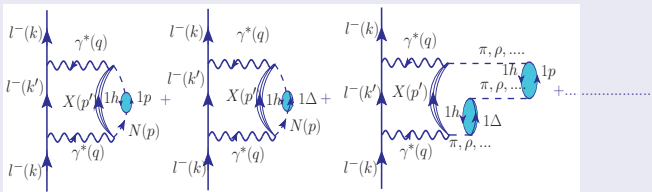
The nucleon propagator $G(p)$ inside the nuclear medium provides information about the propagation of the nucleon from the initial state to the final state or vice versa.

Relativistic Dirac propagator $G^0(p_0, \mathbf{p})$ for a free nucleon:

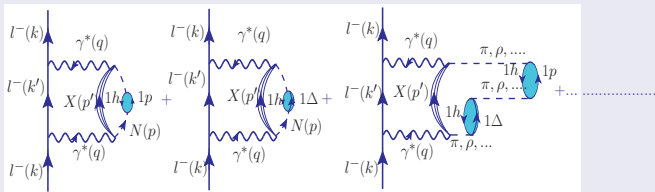
$$G^0(p_0, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{M}{E(\mathbf{p})} \left\{ \frac{\sum_r u_r(p) \bar{u}_r(p)}{p^0 - E(\mathbf{p}) + i\epsilon} + \frac{\sum_r v_r(-p) \bar{v}_r(-p)}{p^0 + E(\mathbf{p}) - i\epsilon} \right\}$$

- Only the positive energy contributions are retained as the negative energy contributions are suppressed. In the interacting Fermi sea, the relativistic nucleon propagator is then written in terms of the nucleon self-energy $\Sigma^N(p^0, p)$.
- In the nuclear many body technique, the quantity that contains all the information on single nucleon properties in the nuclear medium is the nucleon self-energy $\Sigma^N(p^0, p)$.
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Scattering cross section: $d\sigma = -\frac{2m\nu}{|\mathbf{k}|} \text{Im} \Sigma d^3r$.

Differential scattering cross section for $l^\pm - A$ interaction:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega' dE'} = -\frac{\alpha}{(q)^4} \frac{|\mathbf{k}'|}{|\mathbf{k}|} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} L_{\alpha\beta} \int d^3r \text{Im}\Pi^{\alpha\beta}(q).$$

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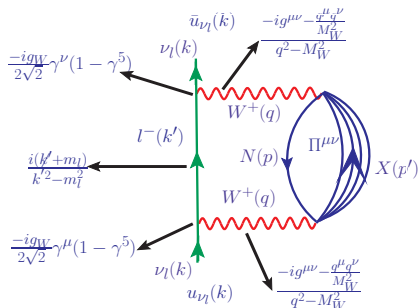
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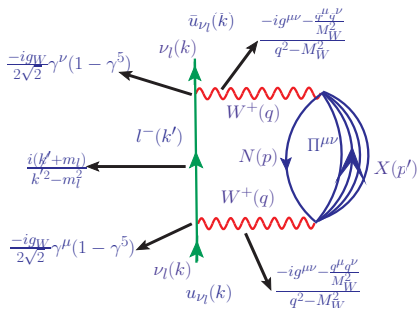
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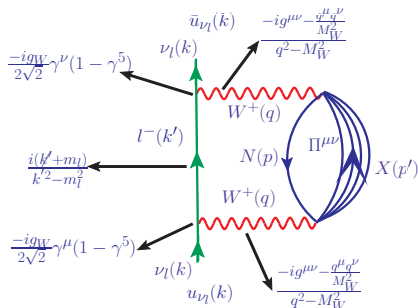
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Pion propagator in the nuclear medium

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$$\Pi_\pi = \frac{f^2/m_\pi^2 F^2(p) \mathbf{p}^2 \Pi^*}{1 - f^2/m_\pi^2 V_L' \Pi^*}$$

πNN form factor $F(p) = (\Lambda^2 - m_\pi^2)/(\Lambda^2 + \mathbf{p}^2)$

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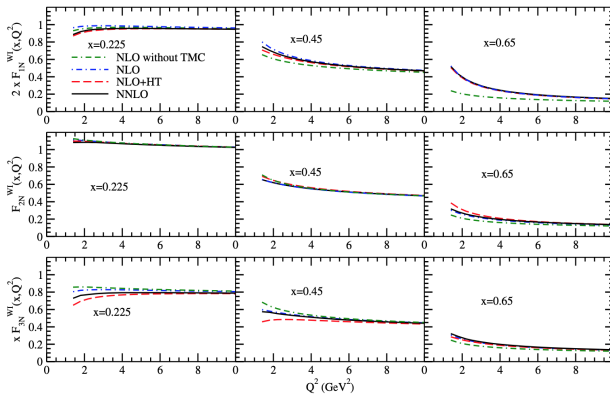
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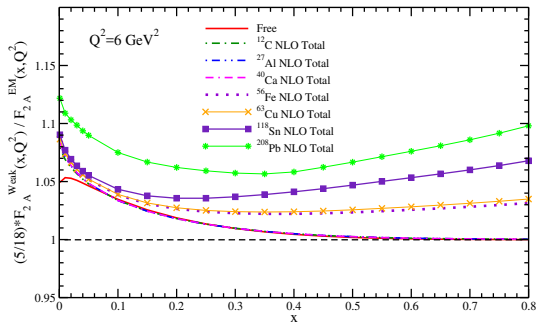
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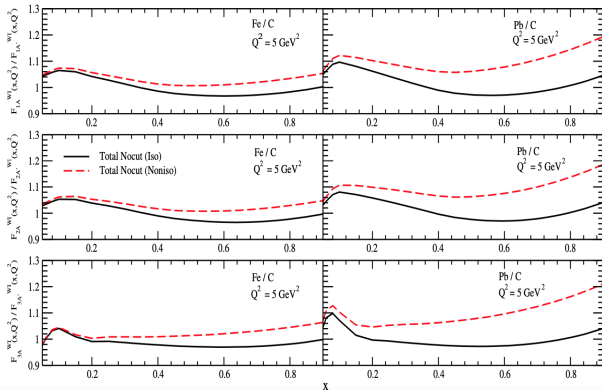
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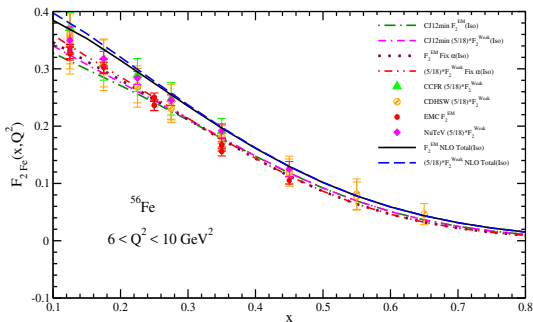
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