

# Neutrino induced weak pion production off the nucleon and coherent pion production in nuclei at low energies

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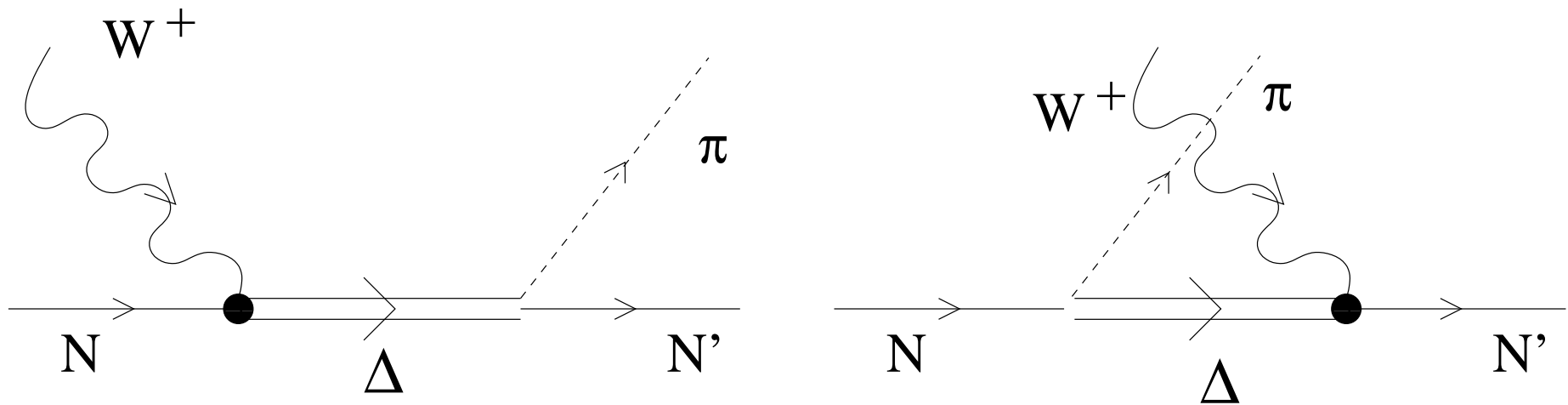
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# Delta Pole Term

The dominant contribution for weak pion production at intermediate energies is given by the  $\Delta$  pole mechanism



# Background Terms I

We shall also include background terms required by chiral symmetry. Starting with the effective lagrangian of the SU(2) non-linear  $\sigma$  model.

$$\mathcal{L}_{N\pi} = \bar{\Psi} i \gamma^\mu [\partial_\mu + \mathcal{V}_\mu] \Psi - M \bar{\Psi} \Psi + g_A \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \mathcal{A}_\mu \Psi + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} [\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial^\mu U]$$

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ n \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{V}_\mu = \frac{1}{2} (\xi \partial_\mu \xi^\dagger + \xi^\dagger \partial_\mu \xi) \quad \mathcal{A}_\mu = \frac{i}{2} (\xi \partial_\mu \xi^\dagger - \xi^\dagger \partial_\mu \xi)$$

$$\xi = e^{i \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\phi} / (2f_\pi)} \quad U = \frac{f_\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \xi^2 \quad f_\pi \simeq 93 \text{ MeV}$$

Explicit SU(2)<sub>A</sub> breaking terms are included in the model as

$$m_\pi^2 \frac{f_\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(U + U^\dagger - \sqrt{2} f_\pi)$$

# Background Terms II

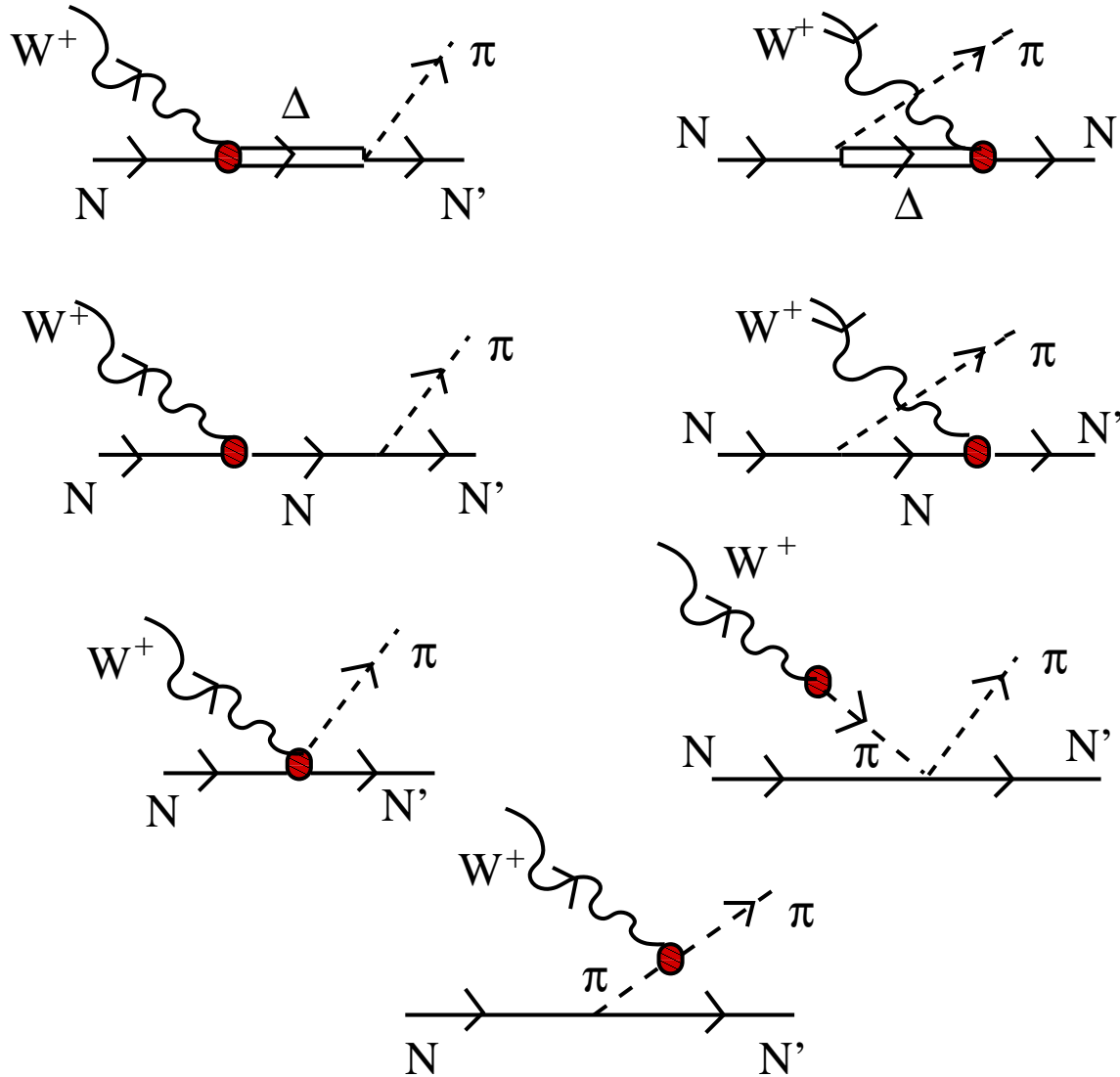
Neglecting  $\mathcal{O}(1/f_\pi^4)$ , the effective Lagrangian reads

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \bar{\Psi}[i\partial - M]\Psi + \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu\vec{\phi}\partial^\mu\vec{\phi} - \frac{1}{2}m_\pi^2\vec{\phi}^2 + \mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^\sigma \\ \mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^\sigma &= \frac{g_A}{f_\pi}\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5\frac{\vec{\tau}}{2}(\partial_\mu\vec{\phi})\Psi - \frac{1}{4f_\pi^2}\bar{\Psi}\gamma_\mu\vec{\tau}\left(\vec{\phi}\times\partial^\mu\vec{\phi}\right)\Psi - \frac{1}{6f_\pi^2}\left(\vec{\phi}^2\partial_\mu\vec{\phi}\partial^\mu\vec{\phi} - (\vec{\phi}\partial_\mu\vec{\phi})(\vec{\phi}\partial^\mu\vec{\phi})\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{m_\pi^2}{24f_\pi^2}(\vec{\phi}^2)^2 - \frac{g_A}{6f_\pi^3}\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5\left[\vec{\phi}^2\frac{\vec{\tau}}{2}\partial_\mu\vec{\phi} - (\vec{\phi}\partial_\mu\vec{\phi})\frac{\vec{\tau}}{2}\vec{\phi}\right]\Psi + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{f_\pi^4}\right)\end{aligned}$$

The vector and axial currents that we derive from the lagrangian are

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{V}^\mu &= \vec{\phi}\times\partial^\mu\vec{\phi} + \bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\frac{\vec{\tau}}{2}\Psi + \frac{g_A}{2f_\pi}\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5(\vec{\phi}\times\vec{\tau})\Psi \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4f_\pi^2}\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\left[\vec{\tau}\vec{\phi}^2 - \vec{\phi}(\vec{\tau}\cdot\vec{\phi})\right]\Psi - \frac{\vec{\phi}^2}{3f_\pi^2}(\vec{\phi}\times\partial^\mu\vec{\phi}) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{f_\pi^3}\right) \\ \vec{A}^\mu &= f_\pi\partial^\mu\vec{\phi} + g_A\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5\frac{\vec{\tau}}{2}\Psi + \frac{1}{2f_\pi}\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu(\vec{\phi}\times\vec{\tau})\Psi + \frac{2}{3f_\pi}\left[\vec{\phi}(\vec{\phi}\cdot\partial^\mu\vec{\phi}) - \vec{\phi}^2\partial^\mu\vec{\phi}\right] \\ &\quad - \frac{g_A}{4f_\pi^2}\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5\left[\vec{\tau}\vec{\phi}^2 - \vec{\phi}(\vec{\tau}\cdot\vec{\phi})\right]\Psi + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{f_\pi^3}\right)\end{aligned}$$

# CC Processes. Full Model I



# CC Processes. Full Model II

Add form factors and fix the overall normalization

$$\langle p; \vec{p}' = \vec{p} + \vec{q} | j_{cc+}^\alpha(0) | n; \vec{p} \rangle = \cos \theta_C \bar{u}(\vec{p}') (V_N^\alpha(q) - A_N^\alpha(q)) u(\vec{p})$$

$$j_{cc+}^\mu = -\sqrt{2} j_{cc+1}^\mu = \cos \theta_C \bar{\Psi}_u \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \Psi_d$$

$$V_N^\alpha(q) = 2 \times \left( F_1^V(q^2) \gamma^\alpha + i \mu_V \frac{F_2^V(q^2)}{2M} \sigma^{\alpha\nu} q_\nu \right), \quad A_N^\alpha(q) = G_A(q^2) \times \left( \gamma^\alpha \gamma_5 + \frac{q}{m_\pi^2 - q^2} q^\alpha \gamma_5 \right)$$

$$\bullet F_1^V(q^2) = \frac{1}{2} (F_1^p(q^2) - F_1^n(q^2)), \quad \mu_V F_2^V(q^2) = \frac{1}{2} (\mu_p F_2^p(q^2) - \mu_n F_2^n(q^2))$$

$$F_1^N = \frac{G_E^N + \tau G_M^N}{1 + \tau}, \quad \mu_N F_2^N = \frac{G_M^N - G_E^N}{1 + \tau}$$

$$G_E^p = \frac{G_M^p}{\mu_p} = \frac{G_M^n}{\mu_n} = -(1 + \lambda_n \tau) \frac{G_E^n}{\mu_n \tau} = \left( \frac{1}{1 - q^2/M_D^2} \right)^2$$

$$\tau = -q^2/4M^2, \quad M_D = 0.843 \text{ GeV}, \quad \mu_p = 2.792847, \quad \mu_n = -1.913043, \quad \lambda_n = 5.6$$

(S. Galster *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. B32, 221 (1971))

# CC Processes. Full Model III

●  $G_A(q^2) = \frac{g_A}{(1 - q^2/M_A^2)^2}, \quad g_A = 1.26, \quad M_A = 1.05 \text{ GeV}$

(T.E.O. Ericson and W. Weise *Pions and Nuclei*, Clarendon Press (Oxford) 1988 )

To preserve CVC we have to include

$$F_{PF}(q^2) = F_{CT}^V(q^2) = 2F_1^V(q^2) = F_1^p(q^2) - F_1^n(q^2)$$

Besides in the PP term and the axial part of the CT we include

$$F_\rho(t) = \frac{1}{1 - t/m_\rho^2}, \quad m_\rho = 0.7758 \text{ GeV}$$

# CC Processes. Full Model IV

- $\mathcal{L}_{\pi N \Delta} = \frac{f^*}{m_\pi} \bar{\Psi}_\mu \vec{T}^\dagger (\partial^\mu \vec{\phi}) \Psi + \text{h.c.}, \quad f^* = 2.14$

- $G^{\mu\nu}(p_\Delta) = \frac{P^{\mu\nu}(p_\Delta)}{p_\Delta^2 - M_\Delta^2 + iM_\Delta \Gamma_\Delta}$

$$P^{\mu\nu}(p_\Delta) = -(p_\Delta + M_\Delta) \left[ g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{3} \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu - \frac{2}{3} \frac{p_\Delta^\mu p_\Delta^\nu}{M_\Delta^2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{p_\Delta^\mu \gamma^\nu - p_\Delta^\nu \gamma^\mu}{M_\Delta} \right]$$

$$\Gamma_\Delta(s) = \frac{1}{6\pi} \left( \frac{f^*}{m_\pi} \right)^2 \frac{M}{\sqrt{s}} \left[ \frac{\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}}(s, m_\pi^2, M^2)}{2\sqrt{s}} \right]^3 \Theta(\sqrt{s} - M - m_\pi), \quad s = p_\Delta^2$$

- $\langle \Delta^+; p_\Delta = p + q | j_{cc+}^\mu(0) | n; p \rangle = \cos \theta_C \bar{u}_\alpha(\vec{p}_\Delta) \Gamma^{\alpha\mu}(p, q) u(\vec{p})$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma^{\alpha\mu}(p, q) = & \left[ \frac{C_3^V}{M} (g^{\alpha\mu} \not{q} - q^\alpha \gamma^\mu) + \frac{C_4^V}{M^2} (g^{\alpha\mu} q \cdot p_\Delta - q^\alpha p_\Delta^\mu) + \frac{C_5^V}{M^2} (g^{\alpha\mu} q \cdot p - q^\alpha p^\mu) \right. \\ & \left. + C_6^V g^{\mu\alpha} \right] \gamma_5 \\ & + \left[ \frac{C_3^A}{M} (g^{\alpha\mu} \not{q} - q^\alpha \gamma^\mu) + \frac{C_4^A}{M^2} (g^{\alpha\mu} q \cdot p_\Delta - q^\alpha p_\Delta^\mu) + C_5^A g^{\alpha\mu} + \frac{C_6^A}{M^2} q^\mu q^\alpha \right] \end{aligned}$$



# CC Processes. Full Model V

- Vector form factors: determined from the analysis of photo and electroproduction

(O. Lalakulich *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D74, 014009 (2006))

$$C_3^V = \frac{2.13}{(1 - q^2/M_V^2)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4M_V^2}}, \quad C_4^V = \frac{-1.51}{(1 - q^2/M_V^2)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4M_V^2}},$$

$$C_5^V = \frac{0.48}{(1 - q^2/M_V^2)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{q^2}{0.776M_V^2}}, \quad C_6^V = 0 \text{ (CVC)}, \quad M_V = 0.84 \text{ GeV}$$

- Axial form factors: use Adler model which assumes

$$C_4^A(q^2) = -\frac{C_5^A(q^2)}{4}, \quad C_3^A(q^2) = 0$$

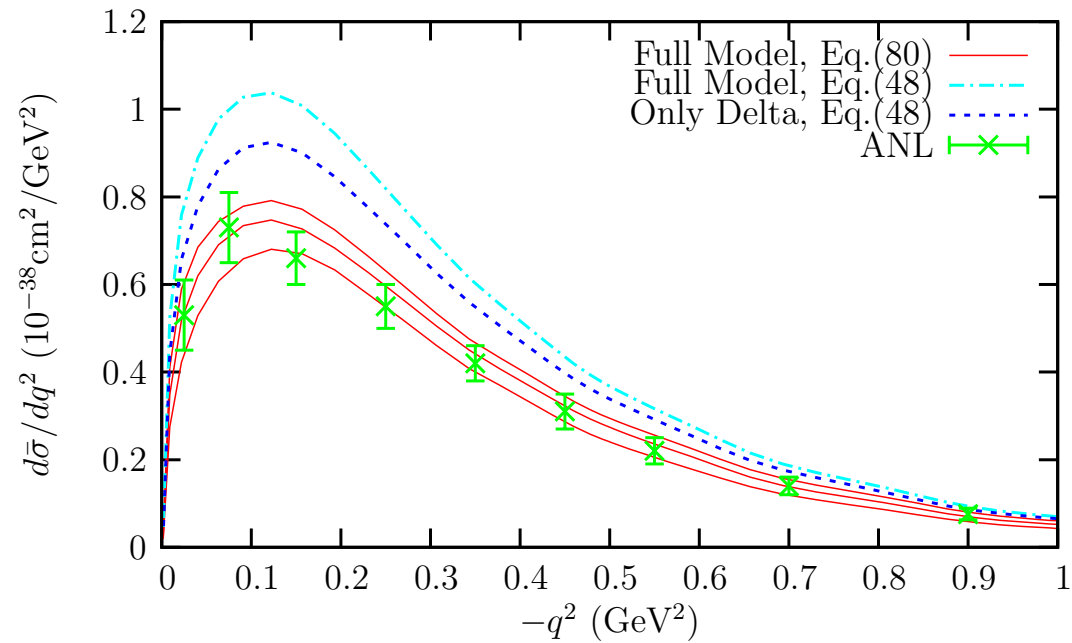
and take (E.A. Paschos *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D69, 014013 (2004))

$$C_5^A(q^2) = \frac{1.2}{(1 - q^2/M_{A\Delta}^2)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{q^2}{3M_{A\Delta}^2}}, \quad C_6^A(q^2) = C_5^A(q^2) \frac{M^2}{m_\pi^2 - q^2}, \quad \text{with } M_{A\Delta} = 1.05 \text{ GeV}$$

where  $C_5^A(0) = 1.2$  from the off-diagonal GT relation

# CC Processes. Results I

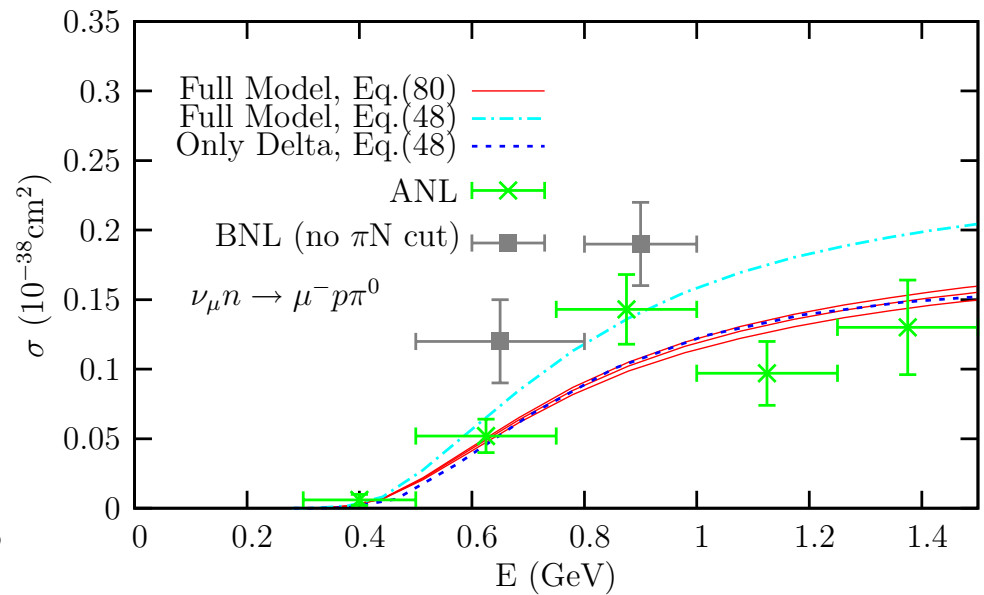
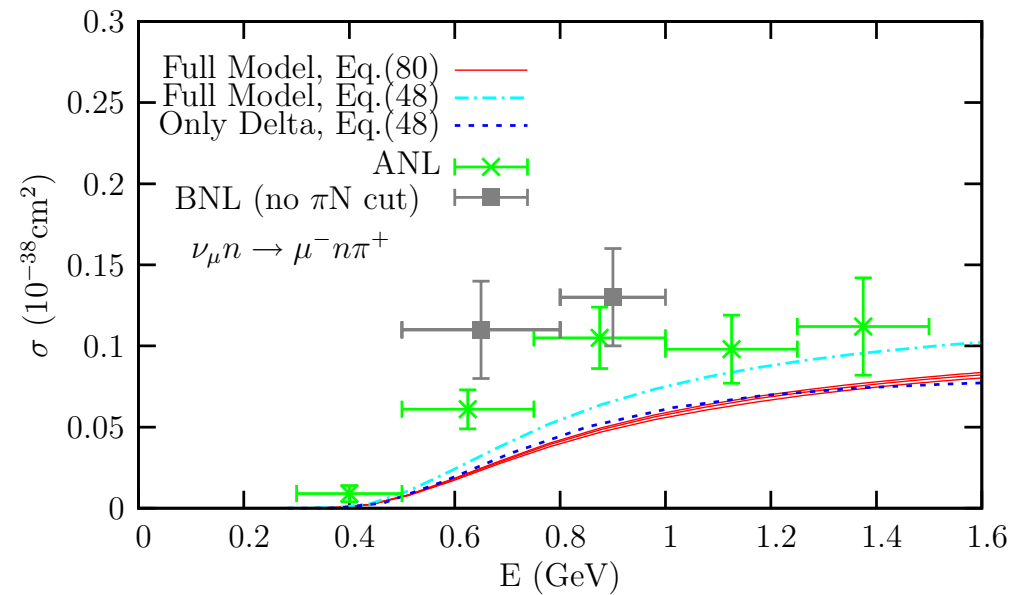
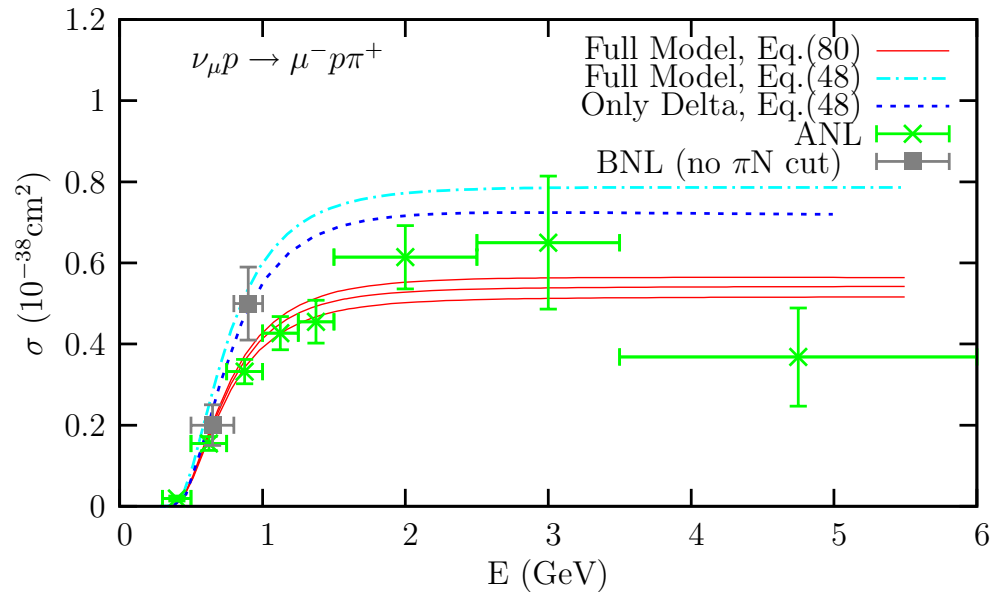
Flux averaged  $q^2$ -differential  $\nu_\mu p \rightarrow \mu^- p \pi^+$  cross section  $\int_{M+m_\pi}^{1.4 \text{ GeV}} dW \frac{d\bar{\sigma}_{\nu\mu\mu^-}}{dq^2 dW}$



Results suggest a refit

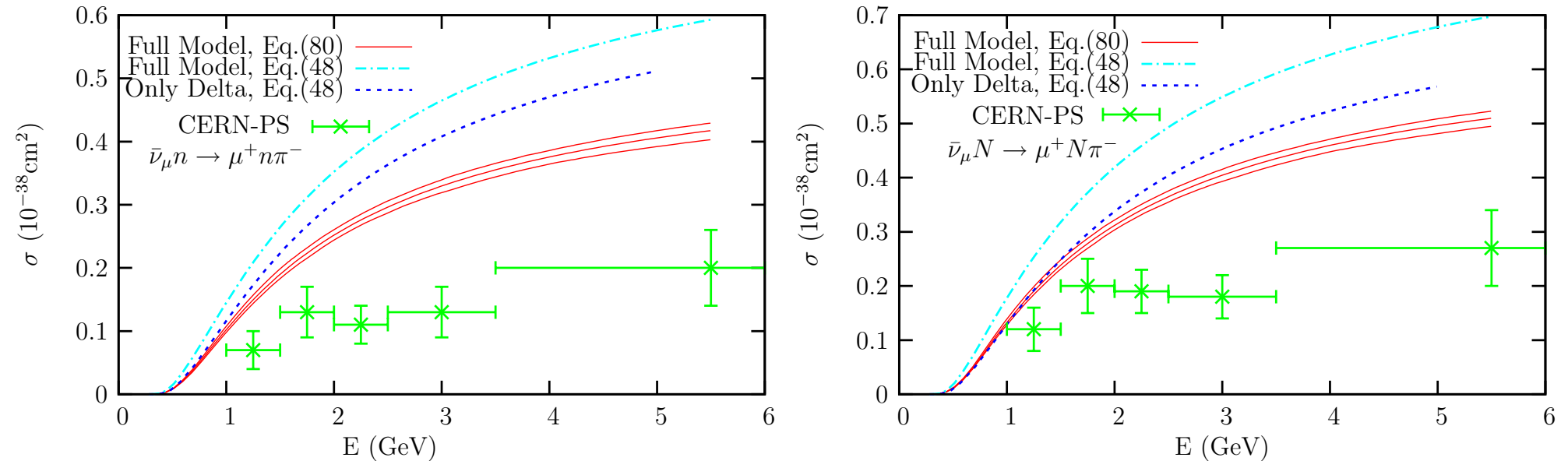
$$C_5^A(0) = 0.867 \pm 0.075, \quad M_{A\Delta} = 0.985 \pm 0.082 \text{ GeV}$$

# CC Processes. Results II



$W < 1.4 \text{ GeV}$

# CC Processes. Results IV



$W < 1.4 \text{ GeV}$

**Note**  $\langle n\pi^- | j_{cc-}^\mu(0) | n \rangle = \langle p\pi^+ | j_{cc+}^\mu(0) | p \rangle$  and  $L_{\mu\sigma}^{(\bar{\nu})} = L_{\sigma\mu}^{(\nu)}$  so that  $\sigma(\nu_\mu p \rightarrow \mu^- p\pi^+)$  and  $\sigma(\bar{\nu}_\mu n \rightarrow \mu^+ n\pi^-)$  differ due to hadronic vector-axial interference.

Interference terms cancel in  $\Sigma = \sigma(\nu_\mu p \rightarrow \mu^- p\pi^+) + \sigma(\bar{\nu}_\mu n \rightarrow \mu^+ n\pi^-)$   
 For instance at 3 GeV  $\Sigma|_{theo.} \approx 1.11 \Sigma|_{exp.}$

a difference not significant due to large error bars

According to S.K. Singh *et al.* (Phys. Rev. D75, 093003 (2007)) medium effects and pion absorption effects can perfectly explain the discrepancy between the theoretical results on the nucleon and experimental data actually measured in a freon-propane target.

# NC Processes. Full Model I

$$j_{\text{nc}}^\mu = \bar{\Psi}_q \gamma^\mu (1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta_W - \gamma_5) \tau_0^1 \Psi_q - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W s_{\text{em}, IS}^\mu - \bar{\Psi}_s \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \Psi_s, \quad \Psi_q = \begin{pmatrix} \Psi_u \\ \Psi_d \end{pmatrix}$$

For the isoscalar part of the em current

$$\langle n\pi^+ | s_{\text{em}, IS}^\mu | p \rangle = \langle p\pi^- | s_{\text{em}, IS}^\mu | n \rangle = \sqrt{2} \langle p\pi^0 | s_{\text{em}, IS}^\mu | p \rangle = -\sqrt{2} \langle n\pi^0 | s_{\text{em}, IS}^\mu | n \rangle$$

Resonant  $\Delta$  terms are not possible for an isoscalar operator

From the chiral Lagrangian we get  $(\phi = (\phi_1 - i\phi_2)/\sqrt{2})$  creates a  $\pi^-$  or annihilates a  $\pi^+$

$$s_{\text{em}}^\mu = \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \left( \frac{\mathbf{1} + \tau_z}{2} \right) \Psi + \frac{ig_A}{2f_\pi} \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \left( \tau_{-1}^1 \phi^\dagger + \tau_{+1}^1 \phi \right) \Psi + i \left( \phi^\dagger \partial^\mu \phi - \phi \partial^\mu \phi^\dagger \right) + \dots$$

Only nucleon pole contributions are possible. Introducing form factors we have

$$\langle p | s_{\text{em}, IS}^\mu(0) | p \rangle = \bar{u}(\vec{p}') \left[ F_1^{IS}(q^2) \gamma^\mu + i\mu_{IS} \frac{F_2^{IS}(q^2)}{2M} \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu \right] u(\vec{p})$$

with

$$F_1^{IS}(q^2) = \frac{1}{2} (F_1^p(q^2) + F_1^n(q^2)), \quad \mu_{IS} F_2^{IS}(q^2) = \frac{1}{2} (\mu_p F_2^p(q^2) + \mu_n F_2^n(q^2))$$

# NC Processes. Full Model II

Similarly, we also have nucleon pole contributions for the isoscalar piece  $\bar{\Psi}_s \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \Psi_s$

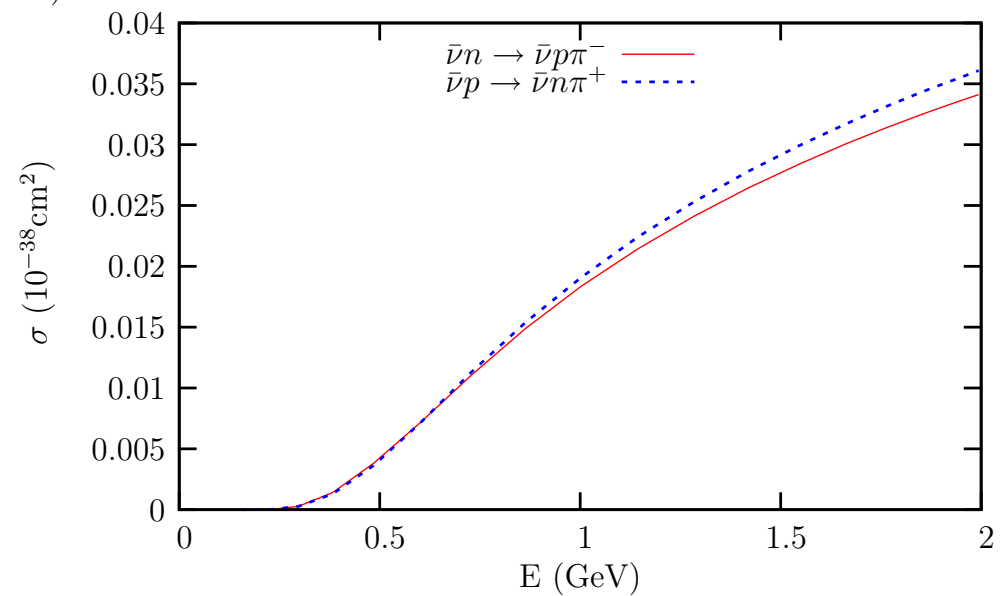
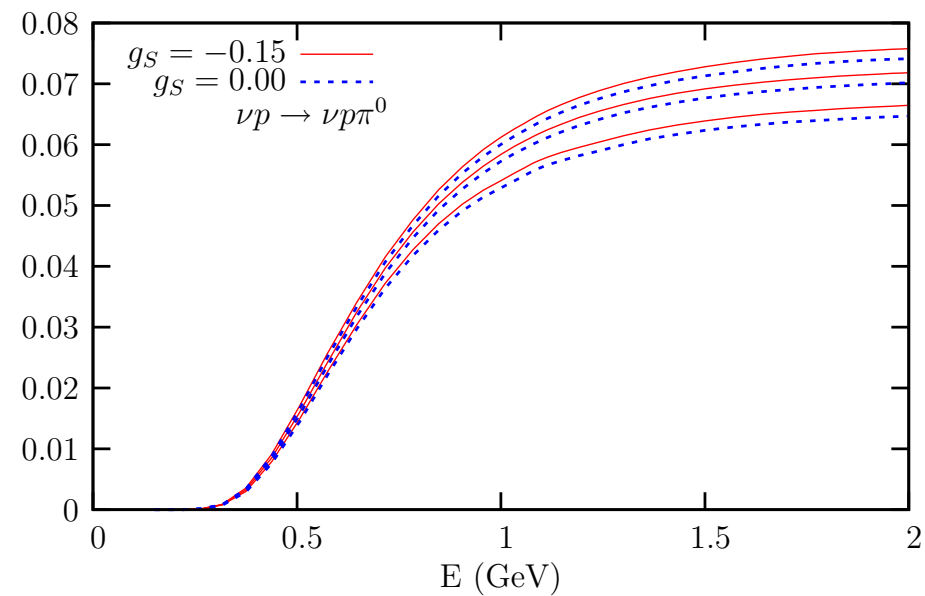
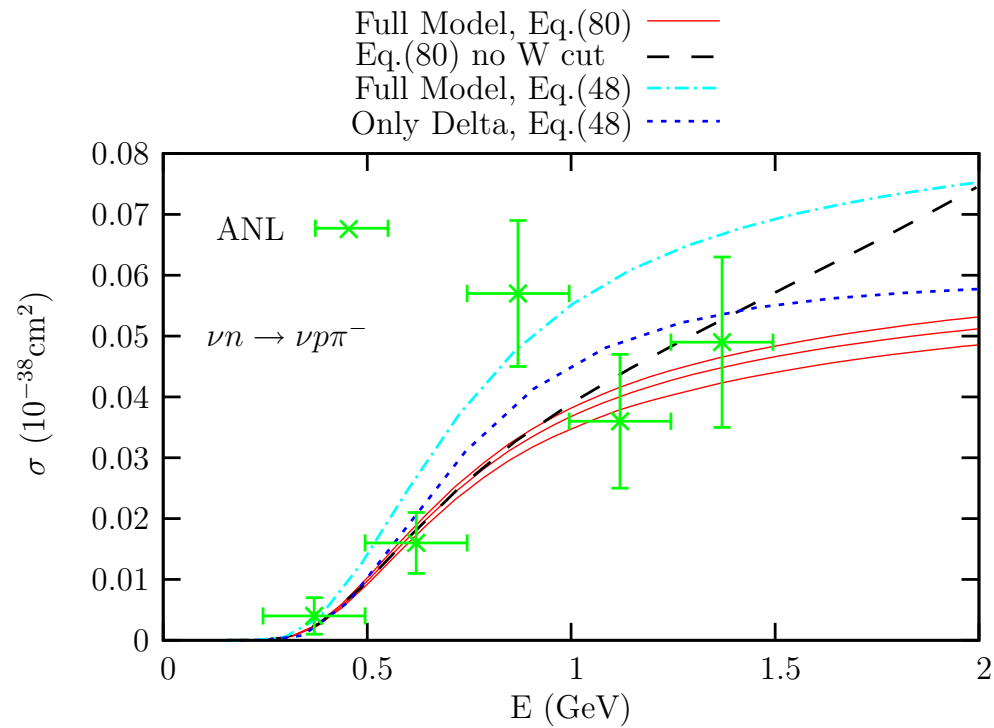
$$\langle p | (\bar{\Psi}_s \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \Psi_s)(0) | p \rangle = \bar{u}(\vec{p}') \left[ F_1^s(q^2) \gamma^\mu + i \mu_s \frac{F_2^s(q^2)}{2M} \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu - G_A^s(q^2) \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 - G_P^s q^\mu \gamma_5 \right] u(\vec{p})$$

and we take from G.T. Garvey *et al.* (Phys. Rev. C48, 761 (1993))

$$G_A^s(q^2) = \frac{g_S}{(1 - q^2/(M_A^s)^2)^2}, \quad F_1^s(q^2) = \mu_s F_2^s(q^2) = 0, \quad g_S = -0.15, \quad M_A^s = M_A$$

We neglect a possible contact term axial contribution

# NC Processes. Results I



# NC Processes. Results II

●  $E_\nu = 0.6 - 1.2 \text{ GeV}$

	ANL	Our results
$R_+ = \sigma(\nu p \rightarrow \nu n \pi^+) / \sigma(\nu p \rightarrow \mu^- p \pi^+)$	$0.12 \pm 0.04$	0.12 – 0.10
$R_0 = \sigma(\nu p \rightarrow \nu p \pi^0) / \sigma(\nu p \rightarrow \mu^- p \pi^+)$	$0.09 \pm 0.05$	0.18 – 0.14
$R_- = \sigma(\nu n \rightarrow \nu p \pi^-) / \sigma(\nu p \rightarrow \mu^- p \pi^+)$	$0.11 \pm 0.022$	0.12 – 0.09

ANL data: M. Derrick *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B92,363 (1980);erratum B95, 461 (1981). M. Derrick *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D23, 569 (1981).

●  $E_\nu = 2.2 \text{ GeV}$ , no cut in  $W$ ,  $\sigma$  in  $10^{-38} \text{ cm}^2$

	Hawker <i>et al.</i>	Our results
$\sigma(\nu p \rightarrow \nu p \pi^0)$	$0.130 \pm 0.020$	$0.105 \pm 0.006$
$\sigma(\nu p \rightarrow \nu n \pi^+)$	$0.080 \pm 0.020$	$0.091 \pm 0.003$
$\sigma(\nu n \rightarrow \nu n \pi^0)$	$0.080 \pm 0.020$	$0.104 \pm 0.006$
$\sigma(\nu n \rightarrow \nu p \pi^-)$	$0.110 \pm 0.030$	$0.082 \pm 0.003$

E.A. Hawker, talk at NUINT02. Reanalysis of the original Gargamelle data (W. Krenz *et al.*, Nuc. Phys. B135, 45 (1978))



# Coherent Pion Production in Nuclei

- The hadronic amplitude at the nucleus level is written as a sum over the amplitudes for each nucleon. Neglecting non-localities and pion distortion one arrives at

$$\mathcal{A}_\pi^\mu(q, k_\pi) = \int d^3\vec{r} e^{i(\vec{q}-\vec{k}_\pi)\cdot\vec{r}} \left\{ \rho_p(\vec{r}) \left[ \mathcal{J}_{p\pi}^\mu(q, k_\pi) \right] + \rho_n(\vec{r}) \left[ \mathcal{J}_{n\pi}^\mu(q, k_\pi) \right] \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{N\pi}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_r \bar{u}_r(\vec{p}') \Gamma_{i;N\pi}^\mu u_r(\vec{p}) \frac{M}{\sqrt{p^0 p'^0}}, \quad i = \Delta P, C\Delta P, NP, CNP, CT, PP, PF$$

$$p^\mu = \left( \sqrt{M^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\vec{k}_\pi - \vec{q})^2}, \frac{\vec{k}_\pi - \vec{q}}{2} \right), \quad p' = p + q - k_\pi, \quad q^0 = k_\pi^0 \text{ (neglecting nucleus recoil)}$$

This prescription for the momenta allows to write

$$\mathcal{J}_{N\pi}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = \sum_i \mathcal{J}_{i;N\pi}^\mu(q, k_\pi), \quad i = \Delta P, C\Delta P, NP, CNP, CT, PP, PF$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{i;N\pi}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left( (\not{p} + M) \gamma^0 \Gamma_{i;N\pi}^\mu \right) \frac{M}{p^0},$$

- Antineutrino case

$$L_{\mu\sigma}^{(\bar{\nu})} = L_{\sigma\mu}^{(\nu)}, \quad \mathcal{J}_{p\pi^- [n\pi^-]}^\mu(\vec{r}; q, k_\pi) = \mathcal{J}_{n\pi^+ [p\pi^+]}^\mu(\vec{r}; q, k_\pi)$$

# Medium Modifications and Pion Distortion I

- $\Delta$  properties are strongly modified inside the nuclear medium. We consider selfenergy modifications due to quasielastic, two and three nucleon absorption and Pauli blocking.

$$\begin{aligned}M_{\Delta} &\rightarrow M_{\Delta} + \text{Re}\Sigma_{\Delta} \\ \Gamma_{\Delta}/2 &\rightarrow \Gamma_{\Delta}^{\text{Pauli}}/2 - \text{Im}\Sigma_{\Delta}\end{aligned}$$

(Oset, Salcedo, NPA 468,631 (1987); Nieves, Oset, García-Recio, NPA 554; 509 (1993); Nieves, Oset, García-Recio, NPA 554, 554 (1993) )

Now  $\mathcal{J}_{N\pi}^{\mu}(\vec{r}; q, k_{\pi})$  becomes in effect  $\vec{r}$ -dependent so that factorization of the nuclear form factor is no longer possible.

- Pion distortion effects are also very important, specially for  $|\vec{k}_{\pi}| < 0.5 \text{ GeV}$

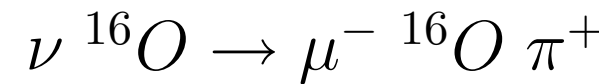
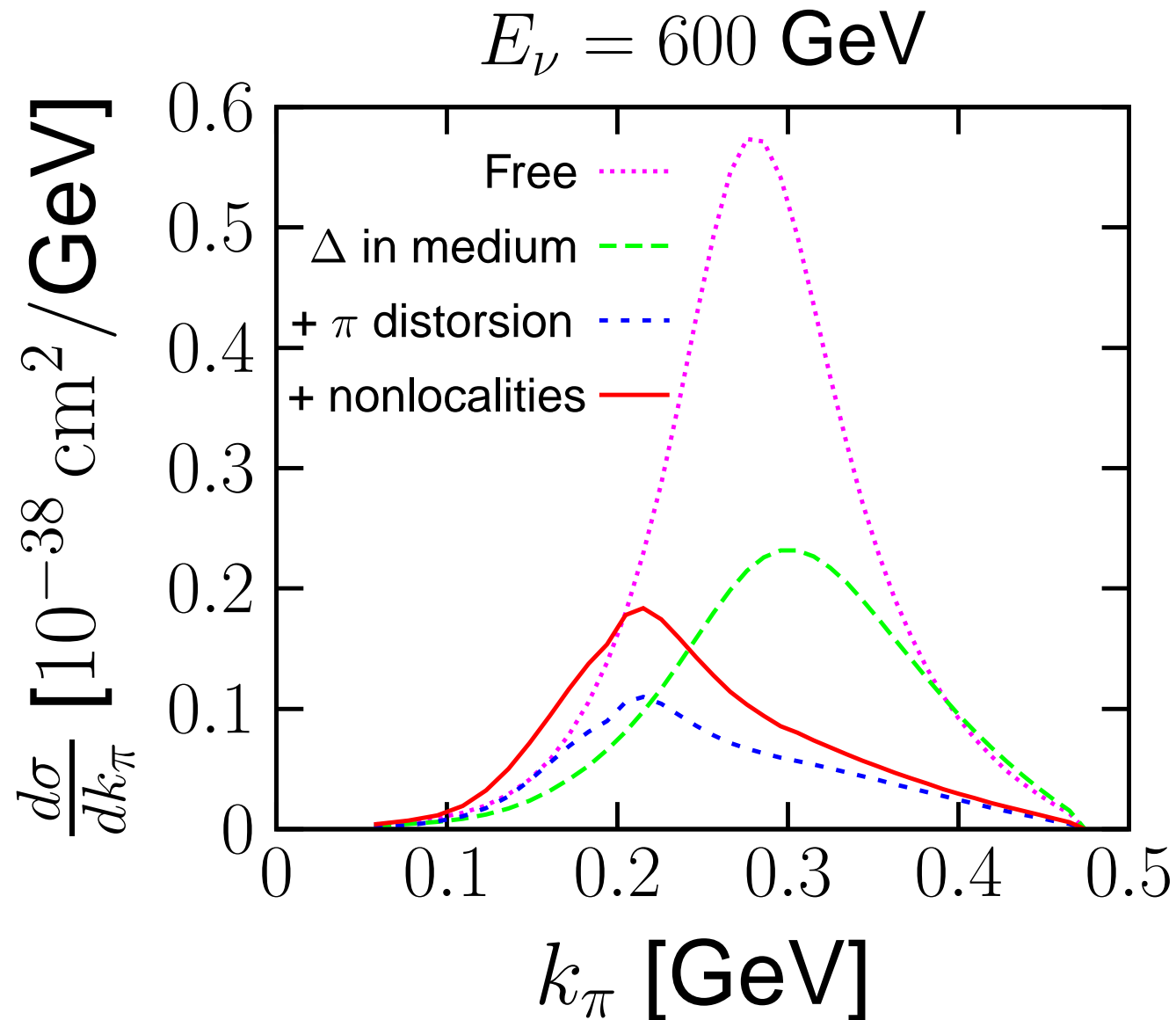
$$e^{-i\vec{k}_{\pi}\cdot\vec{r}} \rightarrow \tilde{\varphi}_{\pi}^{*}(\vec{r}; \vec{k}_{\pi})$$

$$\left[-\vec{\nabla}^2 + m_{\pi}^2 + 2E_{\pi}V_{\text{opt}}(\vec{r})\right] \tilde{\varphi}_{\pi}^{*}(\vec{r}; \vec{k}_{\pi}) = E_{\pi}^2 \tilde{\varphi}_{\pi}^{*}(\vec{r}; \vec{k}_{\pi}),$$

- Nonlocalities in pion momentum

$$\vec{k}_{\pi} e^{-i\vec{k}_{\pi}\cdot\vec{r}} \rightarrow i\vec{\nabla} \tilde{\varphi}_{\pi}^{*}(\vec{r}; \vec{k}_{\pi}) \quad (\text{only first order terms in } k_{\pi})$$

# Medium Modifications and Pion Distortion II



# Irrelevance of Background Terms for Coherent Production I

## ● CC case

●  $\mathcal{J}_{PF;N\pi^+}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = 0$  (Due to the trace)

●  $\mathcal{J}_{CT;p\pi^+}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = -\mathcal{J}_{CT;n\pi^+}^\mu(q, k_\pi) \implies$  It cancels for symmetric nuclei

●  $\mathcal{J}_{PP;p\pi^+}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = -\mathcal{J}_{PP;n\pi^+}^\mu(q, k_\pi) \implies$  It cancels for symmetric nuclei

●  $\mathcal{J}_{NP;p\pi^+}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = 0, \mathcal{J}_{CNP;n\pi^+}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = 0$

## ● NC case

●  $\mathcal{J}_{PF;N\pi^0}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = 0$

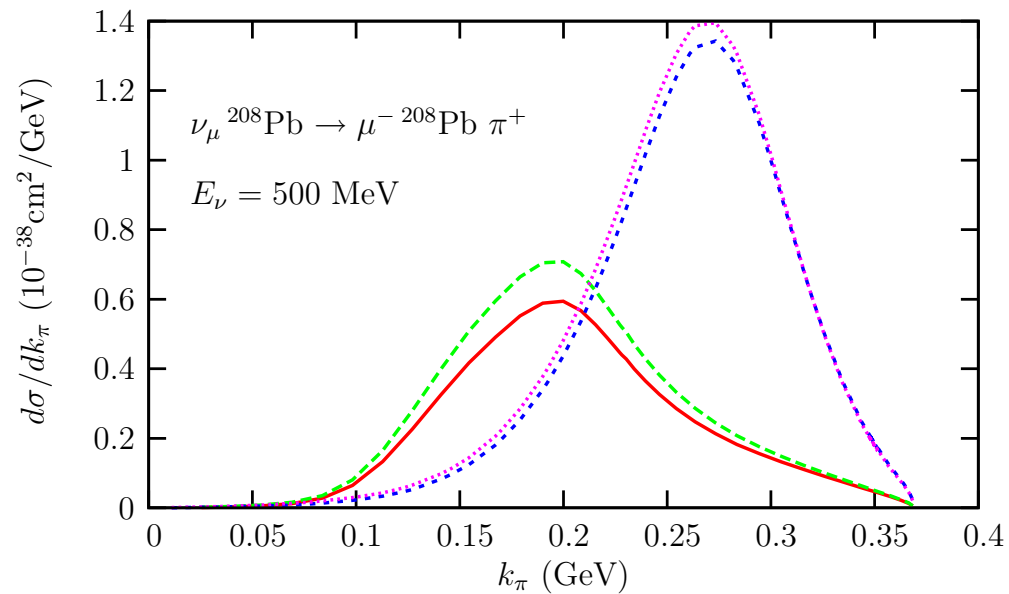
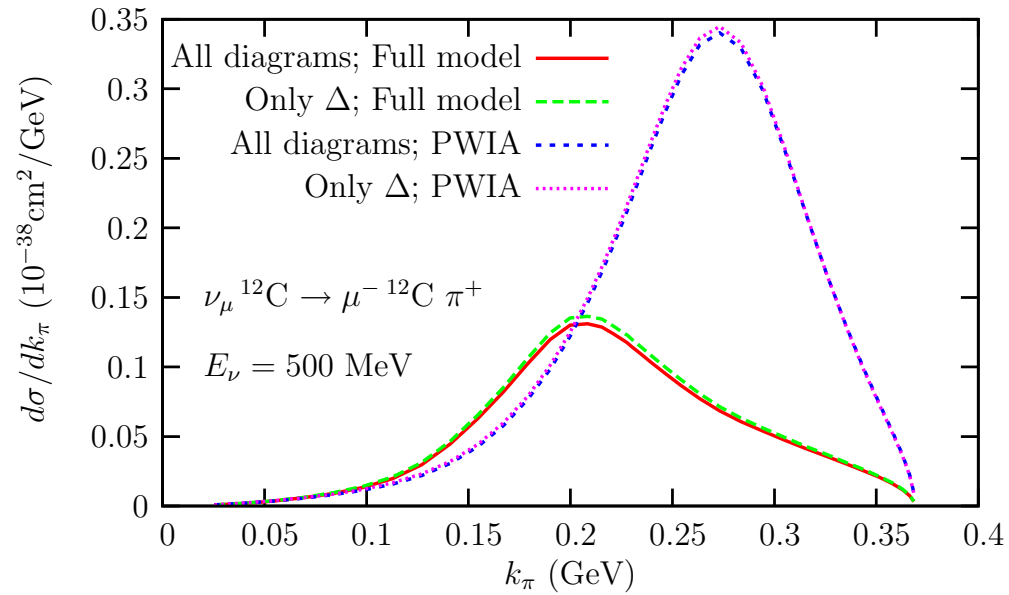
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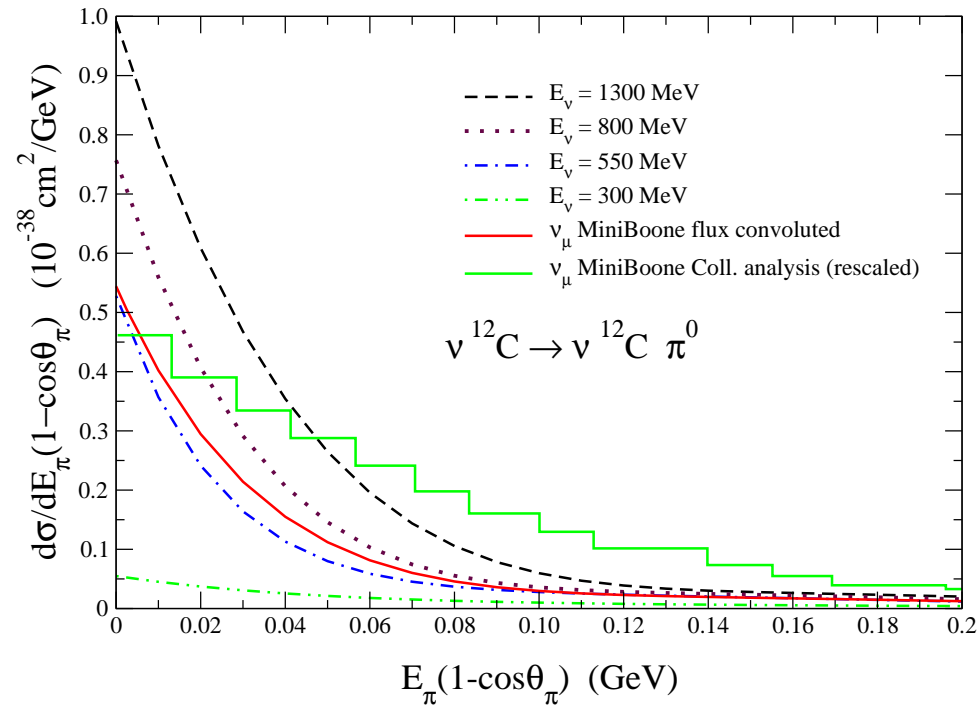
●  $\mathcal{J}_{NP;p\pi^0}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = -\mathcal{J}_{NP;n\pi^0}^\mu(q, k_\pi) \implies$  It cancels for symmetric nuclei

●  $\mathcal{J}_{CNP;p\pi^0}^\mu(q, k_\pi) = -\mathcal{J}_{CNP;n\pi^0}^\mu(q, k_\pi) \implies$  It cancels for symmetric nuclei

# Irrelevance of Background Terms for Coherent Production II



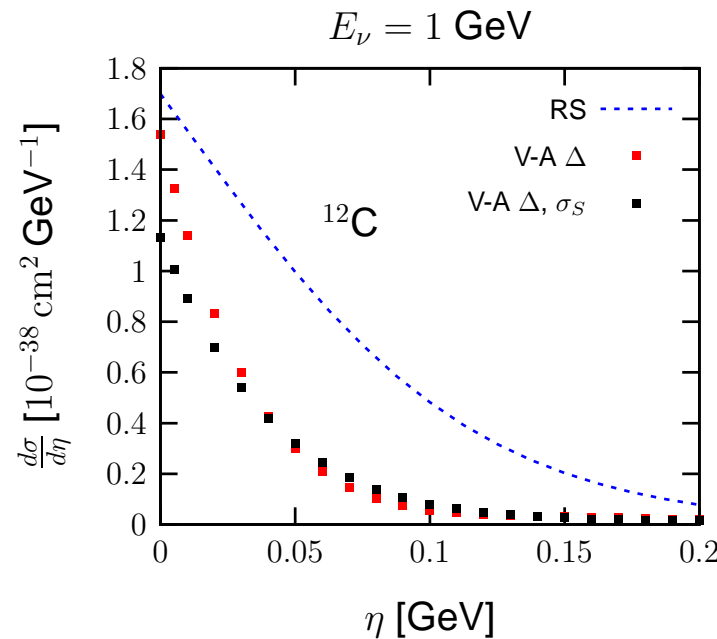
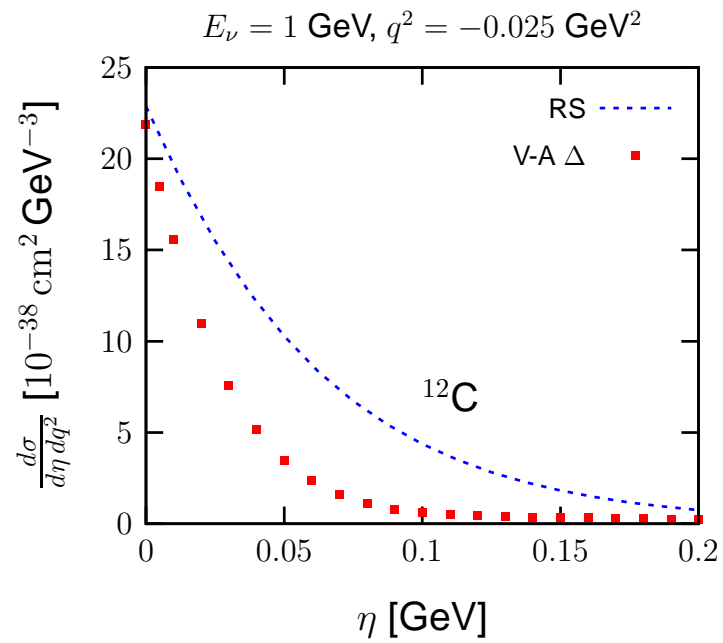
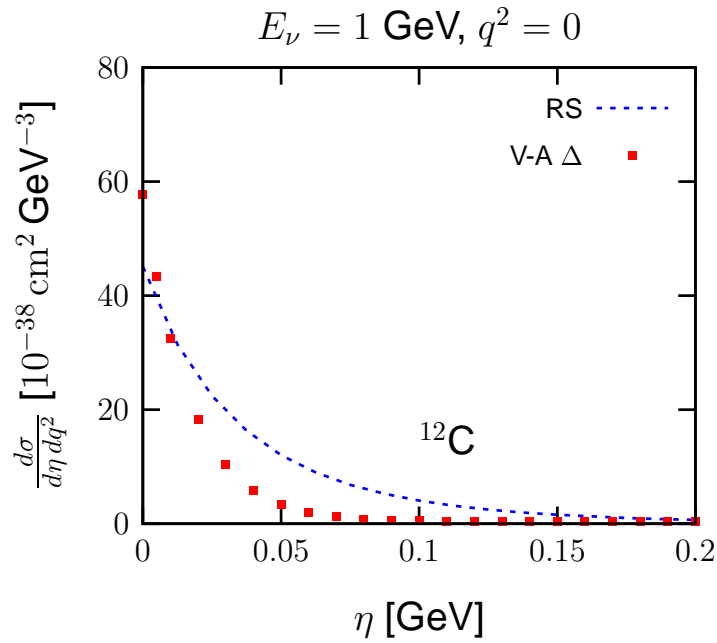
# $\eta = E_\pi(1 - \cos\theta_\pi)$ distribution I



We have traced the differences to:

- $t = 0$  approximation in the Rein-Sehgal model used by the MiniBooNE Collaboration. This approximation is not good for low energies and light nuclei.
- Neglect of  $\phi_{k_\pi q}$  dependence in PCAC-based models for  $q^2 \neq 0$ .

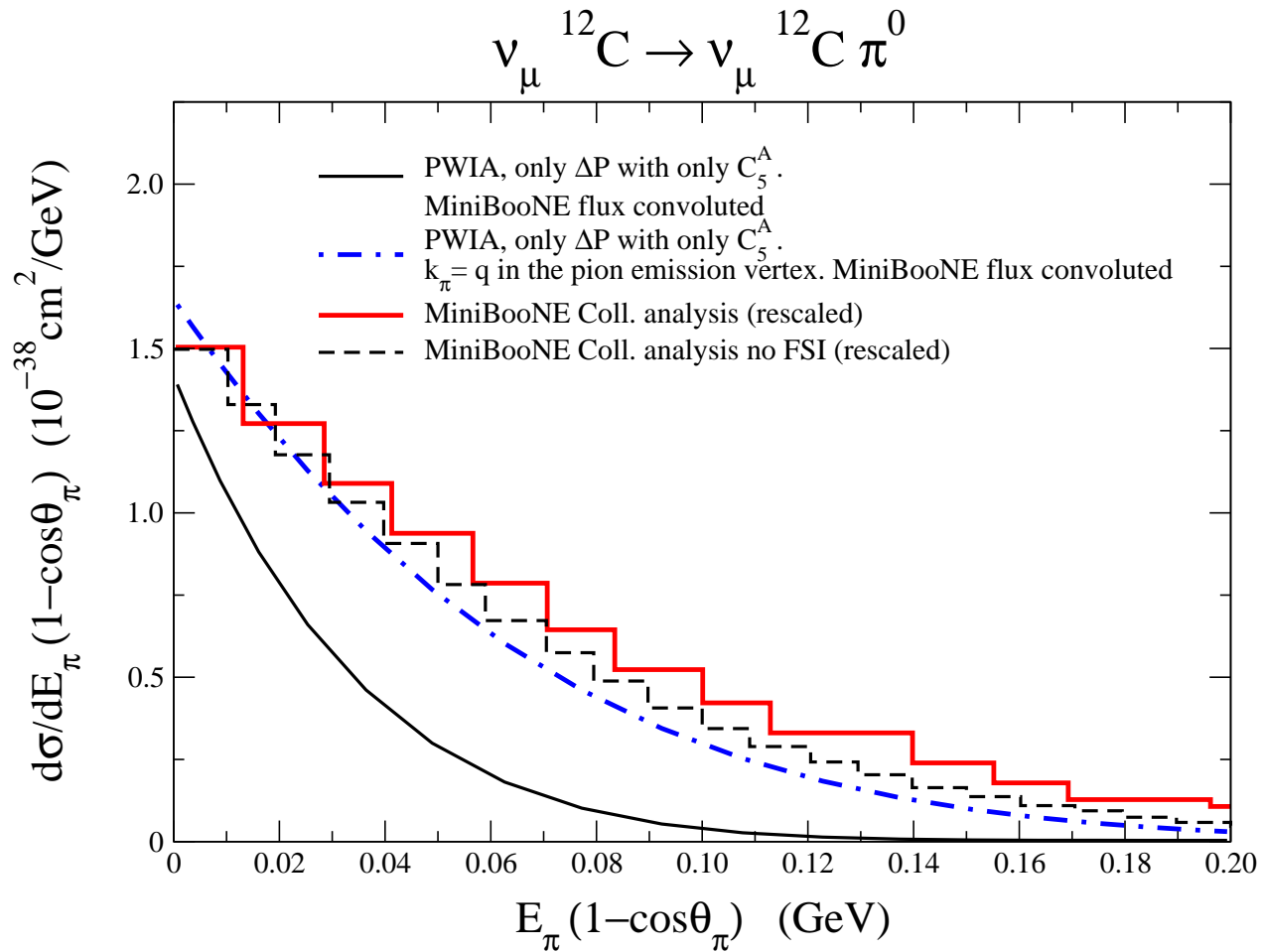
# $\eta = E_\pi(1 - \cos \theta_\pi)$ distribution II



$$\nu \ ^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow \nu \ ^{12}\text{C} \pi^0$$

$$C_5^A(0) = 1.2$$

# $\eta = E_\pi(1 - \cos \theta_\pi)$ distribution III



$\vec{k}_\pi = \vec{q} \implies t = 0$  (since  $k_\pi^0 = q^0$ ) and no  $\phi_{k_\pi q}$ -dependence



- It is important to know what the actual value for  $C_5^A(0)$  is
- I did not mention in this talk but, one has to clarify the role of nonlocalities in the nucleon momentum
- PCAC-based model predictions for angular distributions with respect to the incoming neutrino direction might not be reliable
- Maybe one should start to avoid the use of the Rein-Sehgal model for low energy neutrinos