Overview of Neutrino-Nucleus Interaction Physics

Nuintists' questions

1. Where were we from?

2. Where are we now?

3. Where will we go?

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PDG: Neutrino Cross Section Measurements

PDG has a summary of neutrino cross-section data since 2012!

Focus of this talk is around a few GeV



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experiment	measurement	target
ArgoNeuT	$\nu_{\mu} \ [6,7], \ \overline{\nu}_{\mu} \ [7]$	Ar
$\operatorname{MicroBooNE}$	$\nu_{\mu} [8, 26], \nu_{e} [22]$	Ar
$MINER\nu A$	ν_{μ} [9–11, 16, 17, 27], $\overline{\nu}_{\mu}$ [27], $\overline{\nu}_{\mu}/\nu_{\mu}$ [28]	CH, C/CH, Fe/CH, Pb/CH
MINOS	ν_{μ} [29], $\overline{\nu}_{\mu}$ [29]	Fe
NINJA	$\nu_{\mu} \ [12], \ \overline{\nu}_{\mu} \ [12]$	H_2O
NOMAD	ν_{μ} [30]	С
SciBooNE	ν_{μ} [31]	CH
T2K	ν_{μ} [13,14,32–34], ν_{e} [23–25], $\overline{\nu}_{\mu}/\nu_{\mu}$ [15]	CH, H_2O, Fe





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Good old days of neutrino interaction physics

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TOTAL CROSS SECTIONS FOR ν_e AND $\overline{\nu}_e$ INTERACTIONS AND SEARCH FOR NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS AND DECAY

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Good old days of neutrino interaction physics

Deuterium bubble chamber

- MA fit to Q2 distribution
- All data agree with MA~1 GeV





It seems everything is alright...

Neutrinos are useful tools to study the Weak theory and quark model

We know the neutrino interaction cross-section exactly. Why we measure it?!



K2K M_A fit

First long-baseline neutrino oscillation experiment

- Forward-type tracker
- MA=1.20±0.12 GeV
- Origin of CCQE puzzle

SciFi Detector

CCQE puzzle

- 1. low Q2 suppression
- \rightarrow efficiency of forward going muon is wrong?
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MiniBooNE M_A fit

Short-baseline neutrino oscillation experiment

- 4π Cherenkov detector
- MA=1.23±0.20 GeV

Data-MC ratio is wrong along constant Q2, not Ev \rightarrow It looks CCQE puzzle is not detector or beam effect





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Community effort to understand the problem

Model parameters are tuned within experimental simulations. Theorists have no idea how to interpret the data

But if experimentalists unfold neutrino flux (model-dependent), the data loses details of measurements...

We need "a common language" which theorists and experimentalists can discuss about the data



TK and Martini, JPhysG45(2017)1

Flux-averaged differential cross-section

Flux-averaged differential cross-section data allow theorists and experimentalists talk directly

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dT_l \, d\, \cos\theta} = \frac{1}{\int \Phi(E_v) \, dE_v} \int dE_v \left[\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\omega \, d\cos\theta}\right]_{\omega=E_v-E_l} \Phi(E_v)$$

Theorists



Experimentalists

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dT_l\cos\theta} = \frac{\sum_j U_{ij}(d_j - b_j)}{\Phi \cdot T \cdot \varepsilon_i \cdot (\Delta T_l, \Delta \cos\theta)_i}$$



Martini et al,PRC80(2009)065501, Nieves et al,PLB707(2012)72 Lovato et al., PRX10(2020)031068

The solution of CCQE puzzle

Presence of 2-body current

- Martini et al showed 2p-2h effect can add up more cross section
- Consistent result by Nieves et al (Valencia 2p2h model)
- Phenomenological model results are supported by nuclear ab initio calculation

An explanation of this puzzle





2. Models using 2p-2h

Flux-averaged differential cross-sections allow nuclear theorists to compare their models with data without implementing them in generators

Martini et al – Lyon 2p2ph model Nieves et al – Valencia 2p2h model SuSAv2 – Superscaling+MEC Giusti et al – Relativistic Green's function Butkevich et al – RDWIA+MEC Lovato et al – GFMC Jachowicz et al – CRPA+MEC

All models can fit with data, are they all correct models?

10³⁹ d²ơ/dcosΘdT [cm²/GeV]

25

20

15

10

5 0

0

Butkevich et al

0.5

T [GeV]

1.5





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Benhar et al, PRL105(2010)132301, EPJST230(2021)4309 TK, Martini, JPhysG45(2017)1

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- well defined energy, well known flux
- \rightarrow reconstruct energy-momentum transfer
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Khachatryan et al., Nature 599(2021)565

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Neutrino experiment don't reconstruct Ev (and Q2) with great precision



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Fully active target

- To maximize interaction rate
- Not always high-resolution
- 4π hadron measurement



MINERvA, PRL116(2016)071802,PRD99(2019)012004 NOvA, EPJC80(2020)1119

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Vertex activity

- Some of all hadronic activities around the vertex
- Low energy nucleons (=2 nucleon emission)





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Transverse kinematic Imbalance (TKI) variables $\delta P_T \sim$ nucleon momentum distribution $\delta \alpha_T \sim FSI$

These studies suggest no nuclear models fit neutrino data without tuning





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Hadrons are affected by FSIs

- Without implementing in generators, theoretical nuclear models cannot be compared with data

- Generator implementation is continuously a problem of our community



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Generator implementation is our bottleneck

Data tension - internal: MINERvA pion data

- It is extremely difficult to tune pion and/or FSI parameters to fit all pion data
- $\nu_{\mu}CC\pi^{\pm}$, low Q2 suppression, over-predicted
- $\nu_{\mu}CC\pi^{0}$, strong low Q2 suppression
- $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}CC\pi^{-}$, no low Q2 suppression
- $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}CC\pi^{0}$, low Q2 suppression, under-predicted

The study relies of available knobs in the generator

It looks the simulation doesn't have good knobs to tune





M. Betancourt et al., Phys.Rep.773(2018)1. Buizza Avanzini et al., PRD105(2022)092004

Generator implementation is our bottleneck

Comparison is not easy without generators

Data tension – external: T2K vs. MINERvA vs. MicroBooNE

- Different kinematic coverage, different target



MicroBooNE CC inclusive double

differential cross-section

MINERvA CC inclusive double differential cross-section











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Great road to the Future!

Neutrino physicists, riding a great road with a broken car

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Cross-section model

- Lepton kinematics (current focus)



Hadron production model

- Conservation laws
- Isotropic phase space decays (no model)

FSI, hadron media effects - Complicated (rough surface to move)

Studying neutrino-induced hadrons are hard



Nucleon correlations in neutrino physics

We want to understand 2p2h models from hadron final states



Great voyage to the Future!



Beyond QE peak

Axial 2-body current in QE region may be a tip of the iceberg...





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Beyond QE peak

Axial 2-body current in QE region may be a tip of the iceberg..., or maybe a tip of gozilla!





Higher baryonic resonances

DCC model

- Channels are coupled (πN , $\pi\pi N$, etc), total amplitude us conserved

Most of axial form factors are unknown





Shallow-Inelastic Scattering (SIS)





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Shallow-Inelastic scattering region

- Inelastic = not elastic, W > 1.07 GeV ($=m_p+m_\pi$)
- Shallow = not deep, $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ for W > 2 GeV



NuSTEC nuSIS workshop, ArXiv:1907.13252

SIS in event generators

Real Frankenstein part of all generators

- Generators have different approach
- Definition of channels are different in generators

2 GeV/c²

- Very difficult to connect different models
- Very difficult to verify models

Resonances

 $(1\pi, 1K, 1\eta)$

DIS background

("Multi-pi" mode)

Resonances

1.7 GeV/c²

1.3 GeV/c²

GENIE



DIS

Christophe Bronner $\frac{3.5}{W}$ [Gev]



2.3 GeV/c²

Great journey to the Future!





Young people, we need more new ideas

Crazy ideas, new ideas, interesting ideas are always welcome!

What is the real solutions of our problems?

- Hadron simulations and measurements
- Generator implementation

e.g.) Quantum computer for jet simulation

Collider Events on a Quantum Computer

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