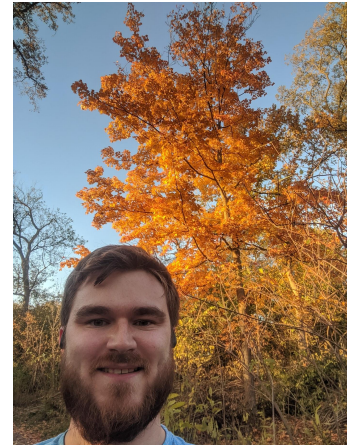




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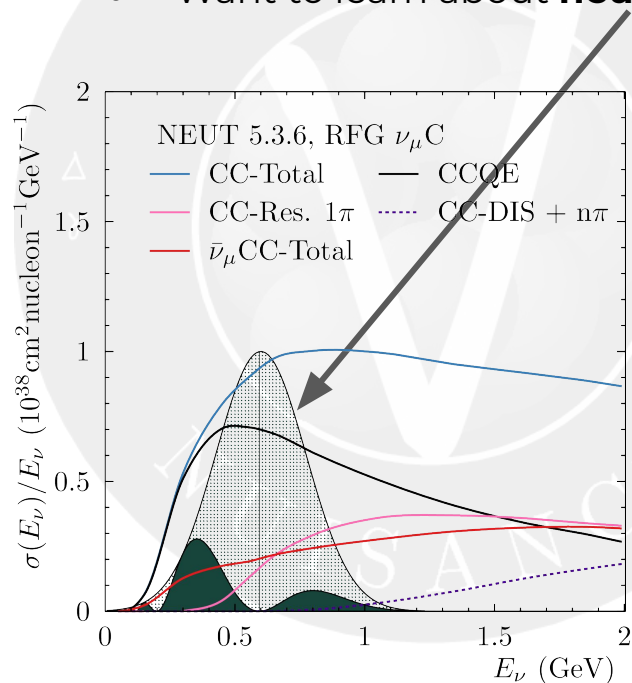
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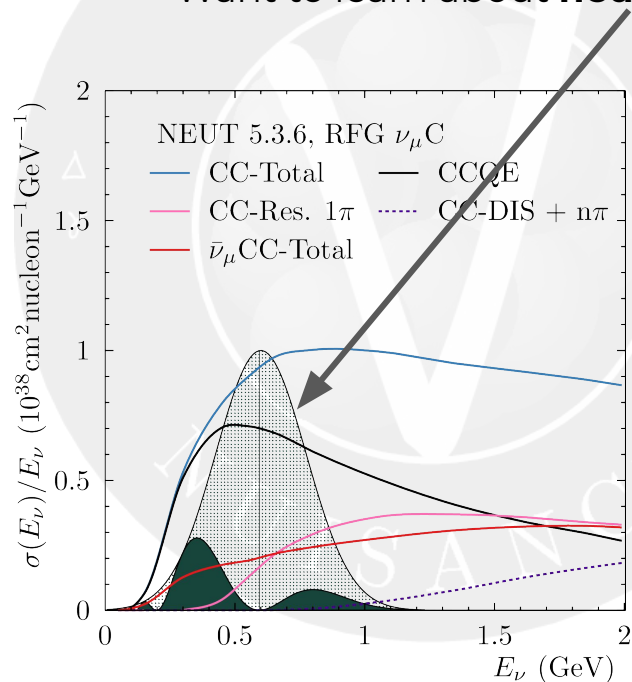


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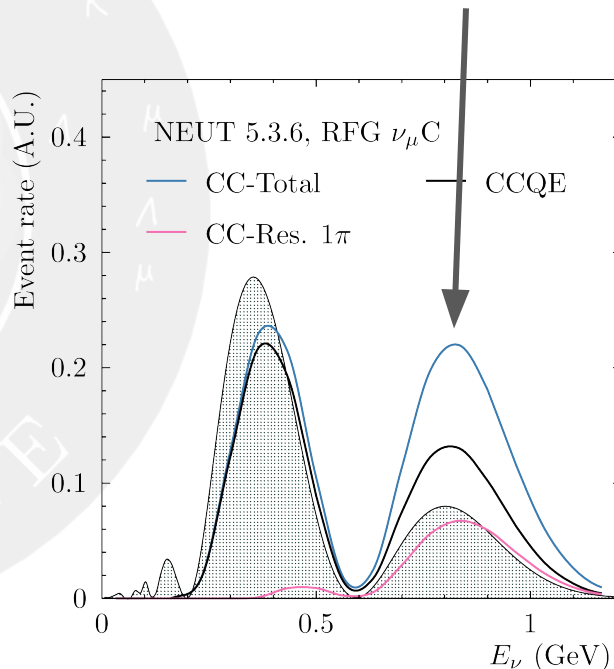


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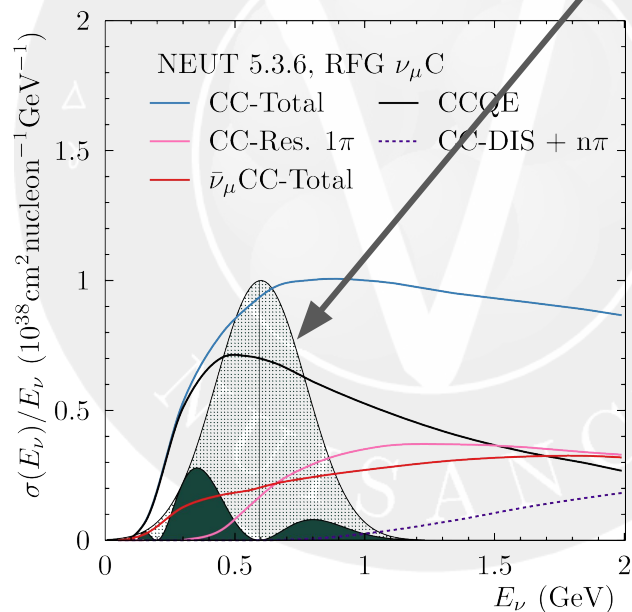


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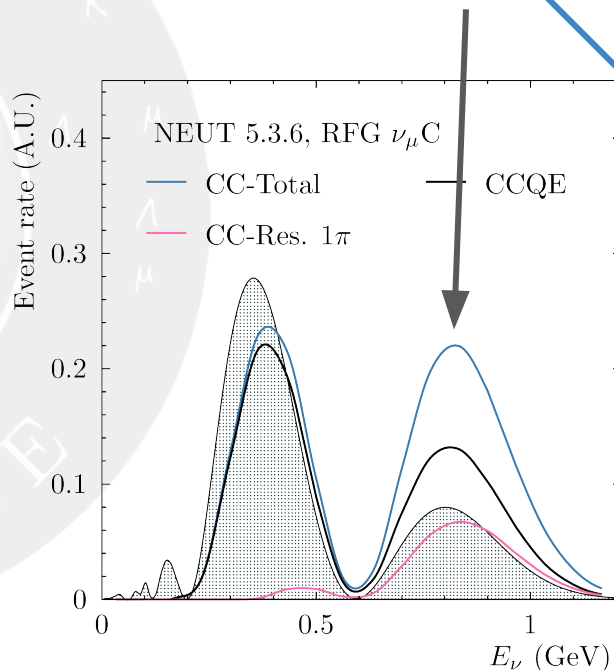


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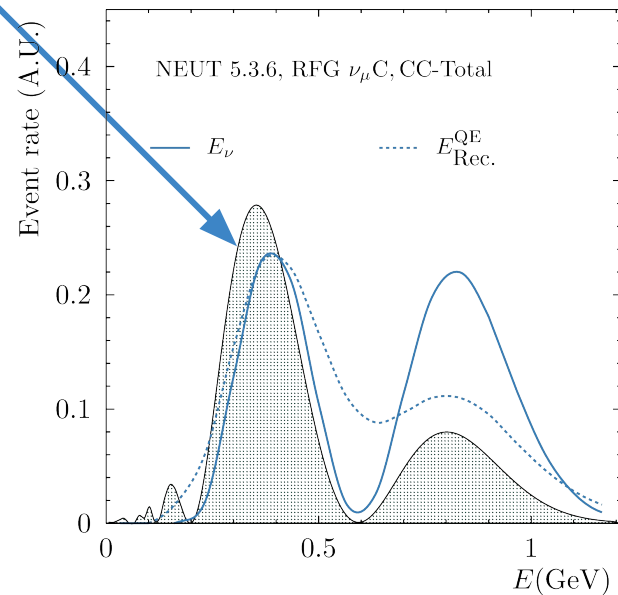
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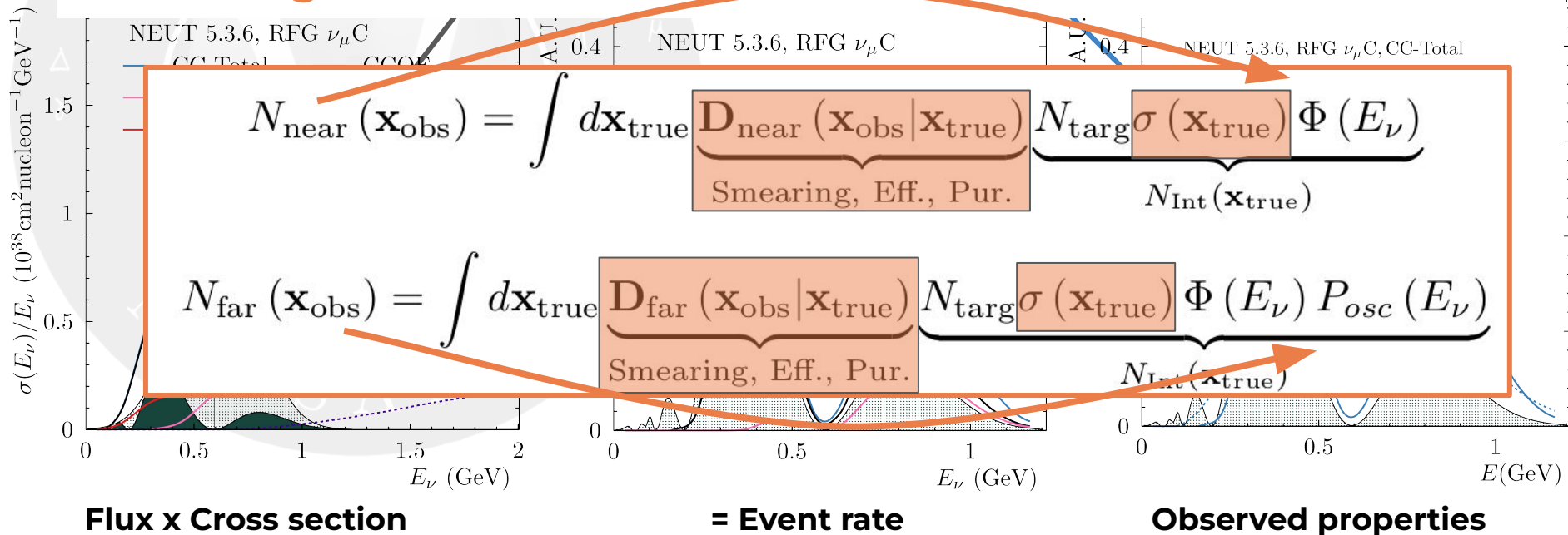


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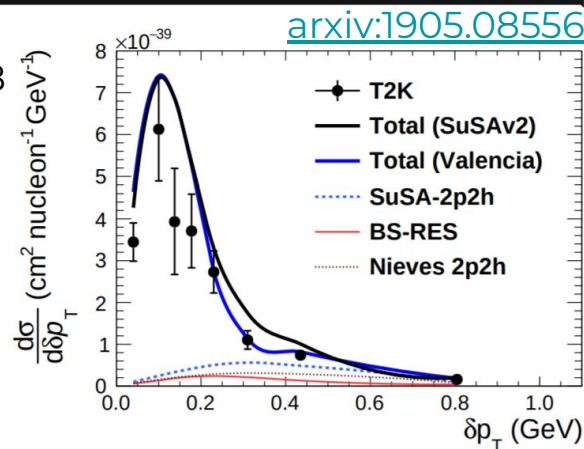
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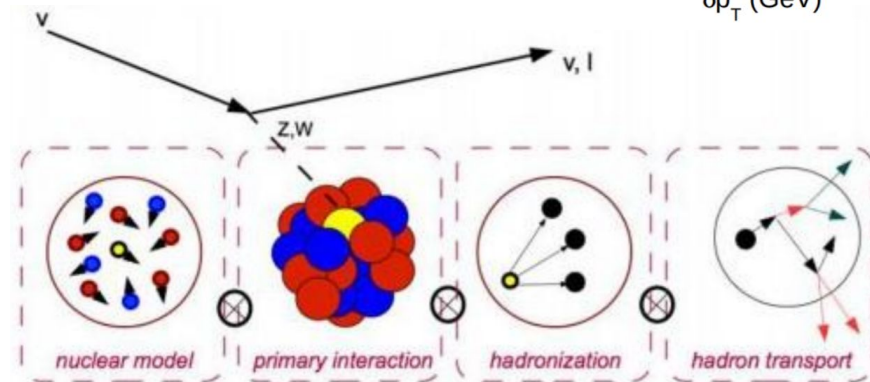
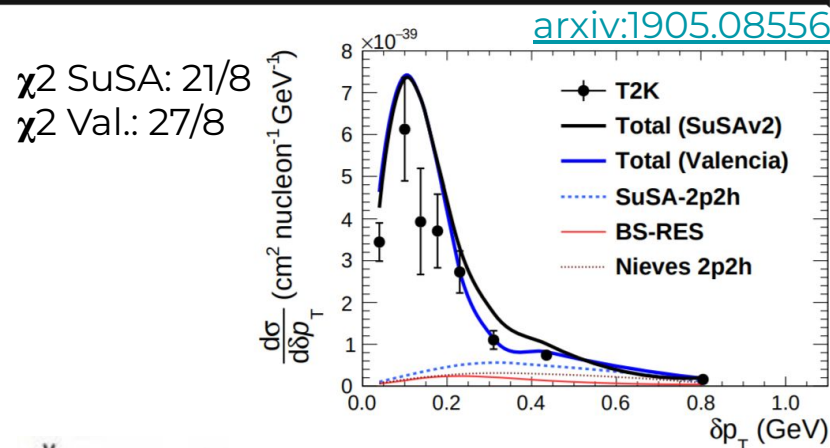
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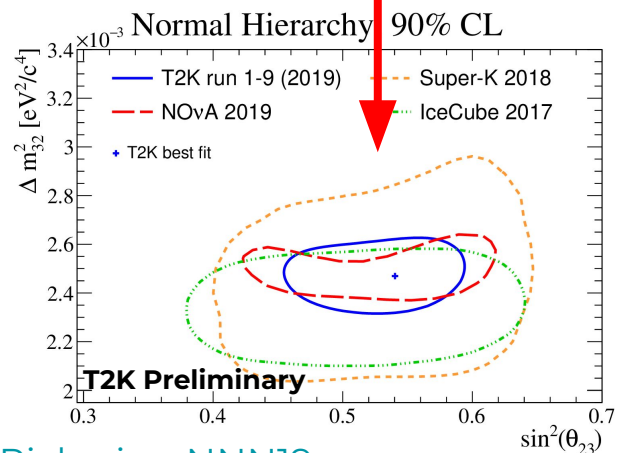
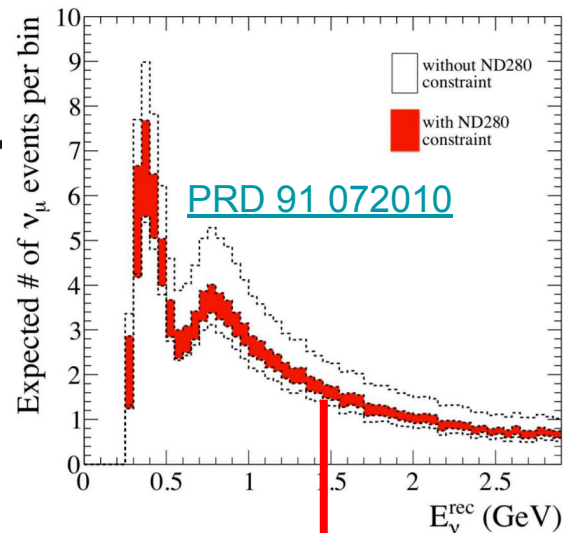
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- Improve simplifications in the MC:
  - Un-doing factorisation
  - Better-capture:
    - initial and final state physics
    - lepton-hadron correlations.



# What about uncertainties?

- Need plausible variations of models that can 'cover' the extant data.
- Compare to historic data  $\Rightarrow$  well-motivated prediction and uncertainties:
  - Then assume model is predictive for new data
- If experimentalists don't have the ability to vary 'theory' parameters:
  - Have to make something up...



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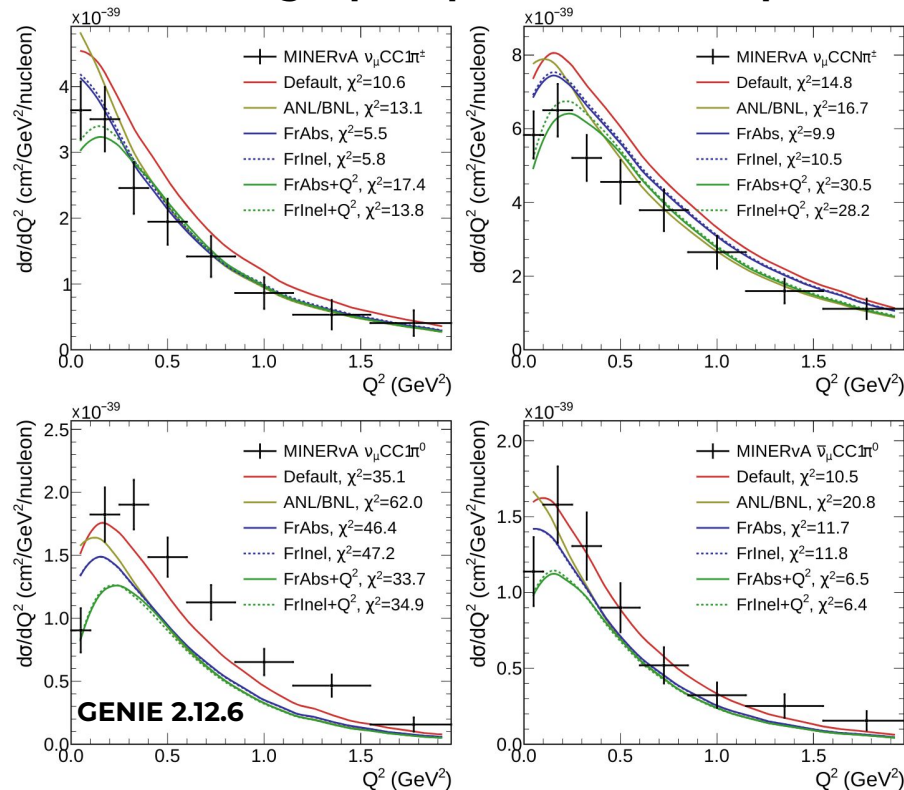




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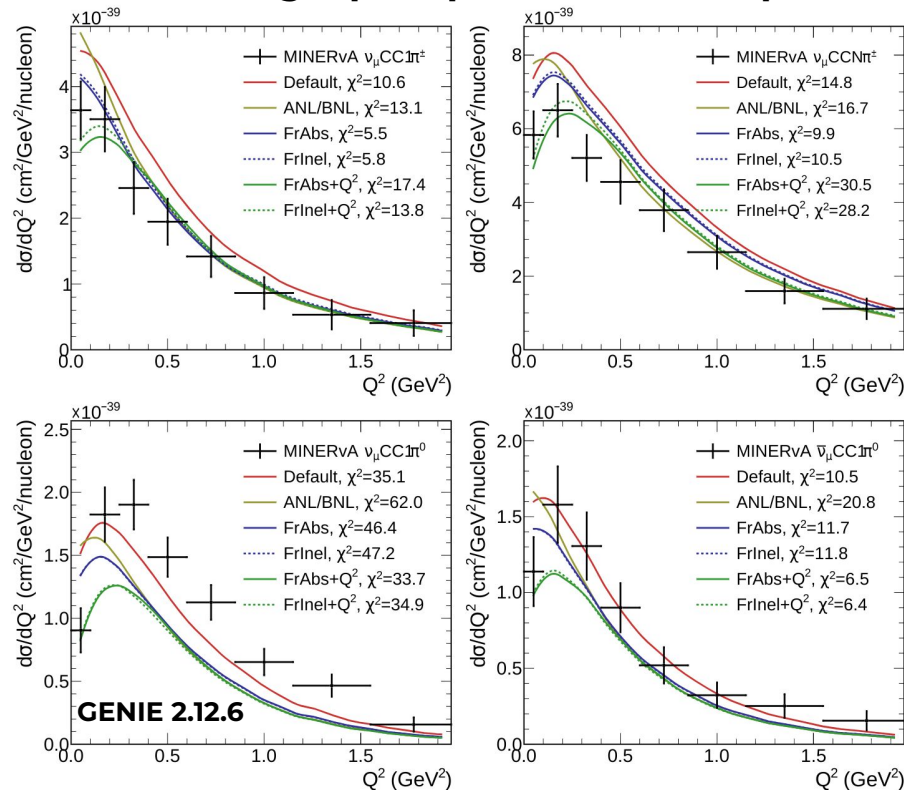




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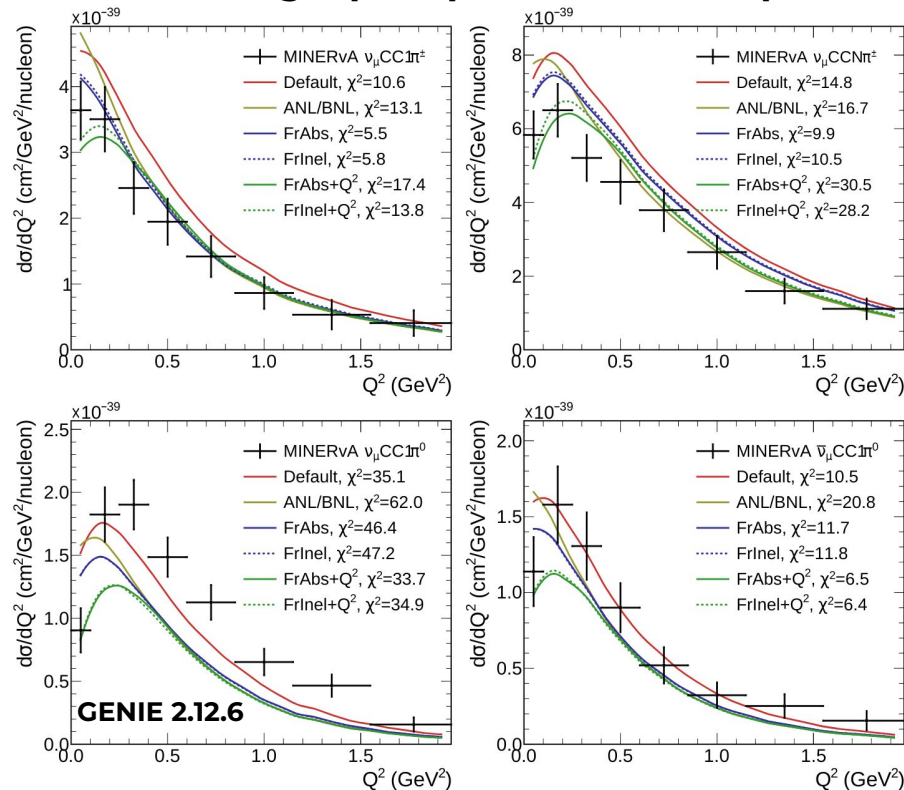
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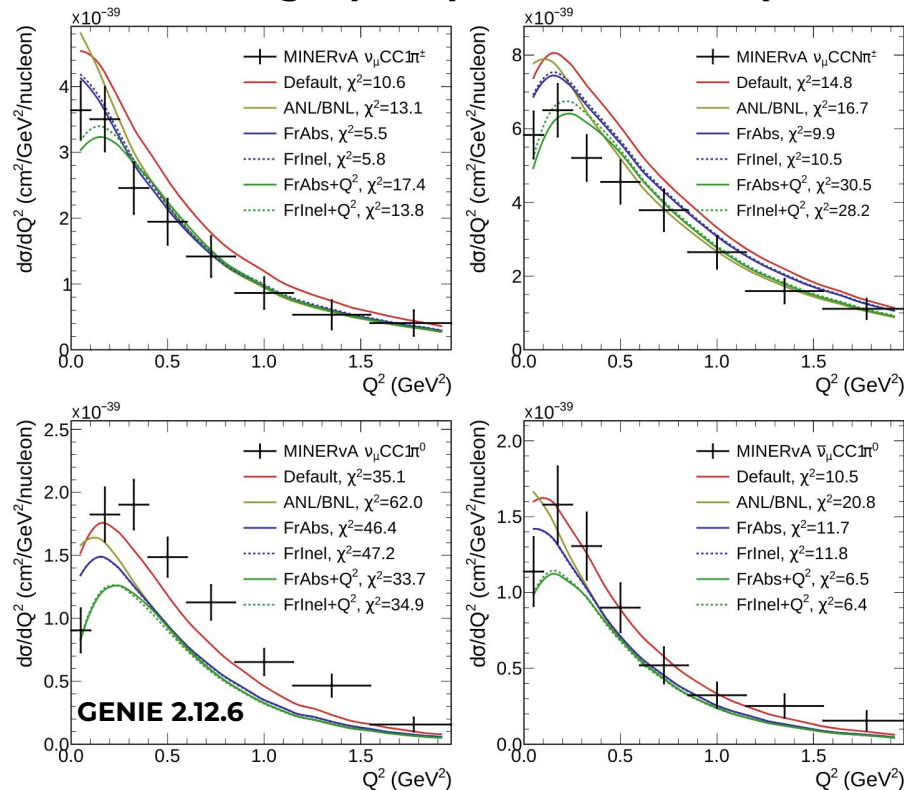
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  - Propagate CV+uncerts from well-described projection to poorly described projection.
  - e.g. Tune in inclusive lepton variables and predict hadronic shower.

## MINERvA Single pion production comparisons





# NUISANCE



# What a NUISANCE



- Global neutrino scattering data comparator and model fitter:
  - Contains hundreds of published data sets with associated errors and signal definitions.
  - **The most valuable part of NUISANCE is the person-hours that have been spent implementing and validating data!**
- Applies experimental signal definitions to MC events from: GENIE, NEUT, NuWro, GiBUU, HepMC, ...
- Links to MC event generator interaction systematic uncertainty tools for model parameter variation.
- Code is open source so analyses can be reproduced and extended: <https://github.com/NUISANCEMC/nuisance>


# Who are we working with?

T2K



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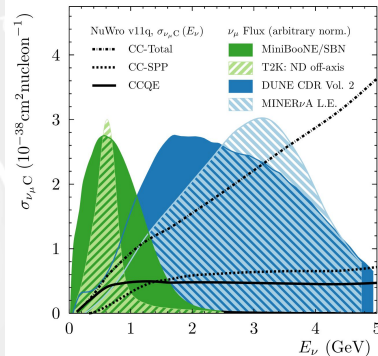
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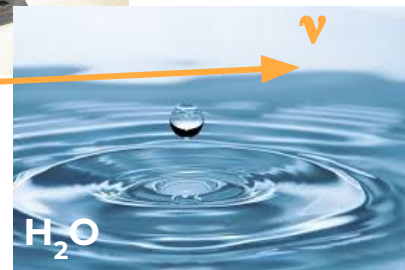
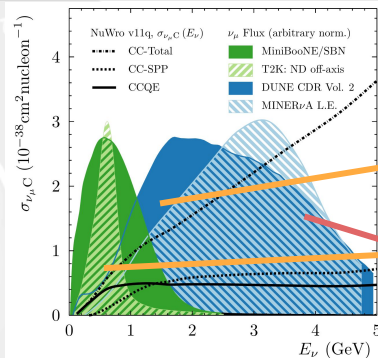
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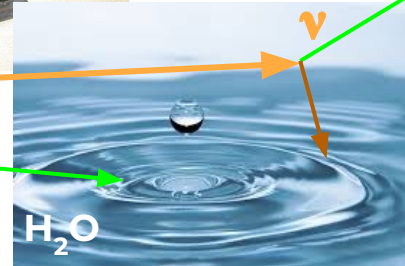
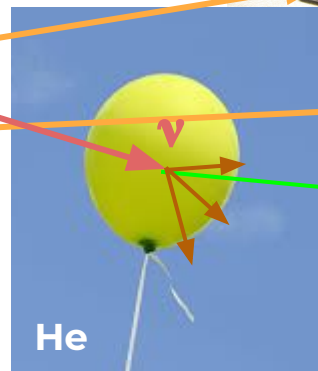
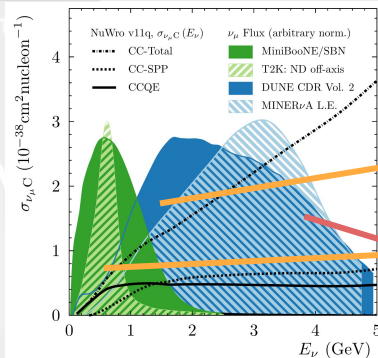
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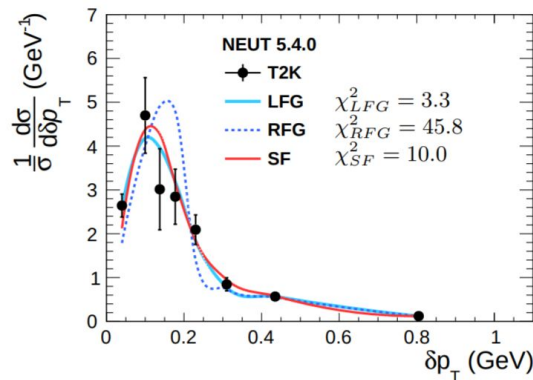
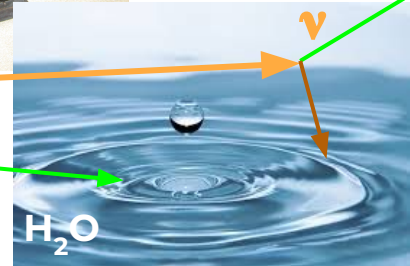
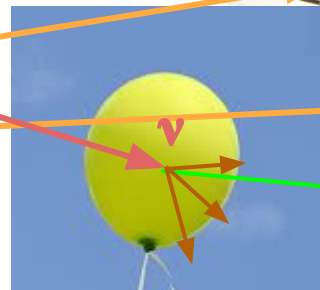
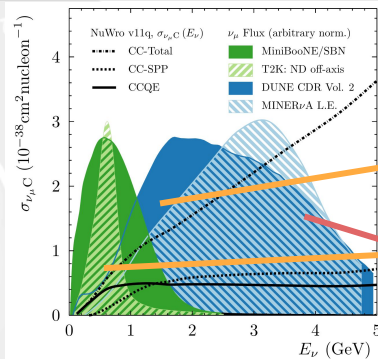
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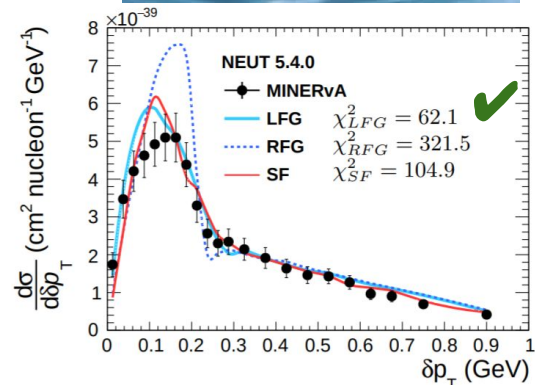
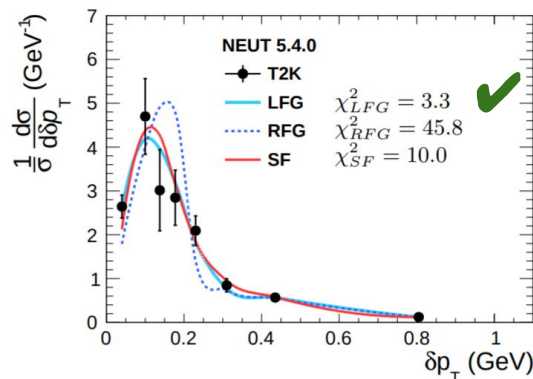
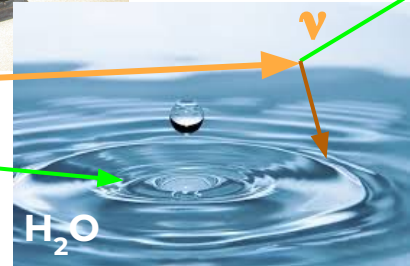
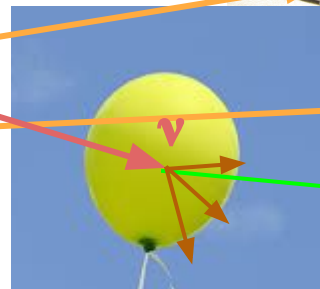
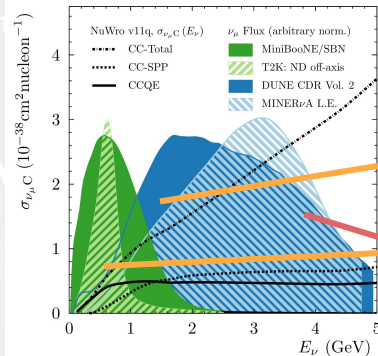


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# Anatomy of a Cross-section Fit

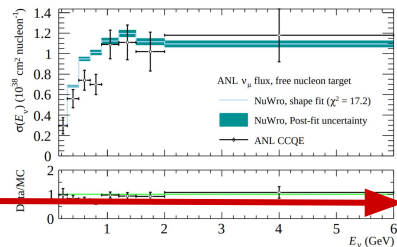
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Interaction model

ANL CCQE

Data + Errors

Th. Prediction

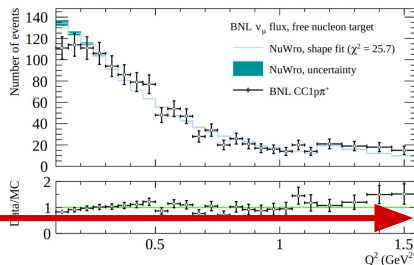


$\chi^2$

BNL CC1pi+

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+

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+ ...

+ Model parameter prior  
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= Global  $\chi^2$

Minimize  $\chi^2$  by  
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- But... have to take care:
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  - Hard to consistently evaluate test statistics.
  - Incomplete data coverage:
    - e.g. Many measurements focus on just charged lepton kinematics.
    - Need to be predictive in hadron kinematics...
  - Signal definitions not always clear/well defined in the context of an experiment.
- **These are problems that the community is working on together:** we know things now that we didn't before, but it is still worth highlighting specifics in historic data to be aware of.







# Some Example Comparisons

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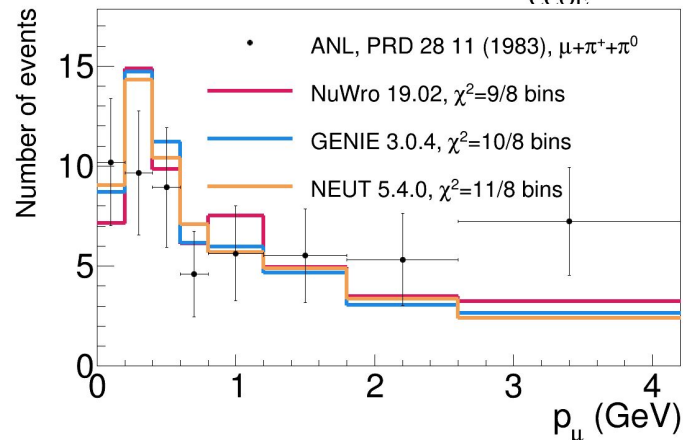
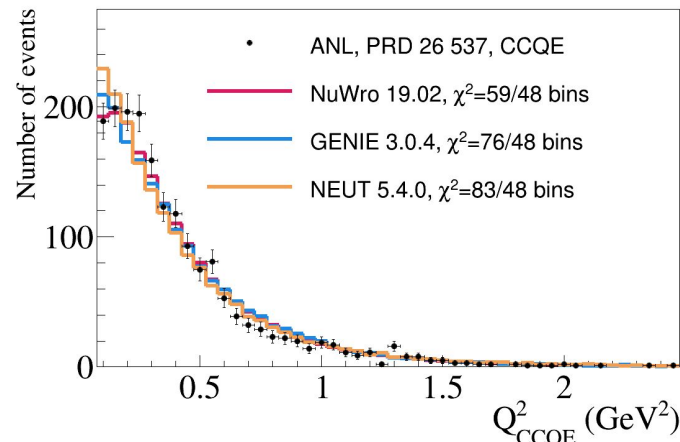
- Bubble Chamber lepton variables
- Nuclear-target  $CC0\pi$  lepton variables
- Nuclear-target  $CC0\pi$  lepton-hadron correlation variables

# Meet the Generators

	Version/ Tune Used	Nuclear-model + QE-like	Single Pion Production	Higher W	Fragmentation	FSI
NEUT	5.4.0	Valencia: - 1p1h+RPA - 2p2h	Rein-Sehgal + lepton mass effects	Bodek-Yang low $Q^2$	Pythia 5	Tuned Salcedo-Oset cascade
GENIE	v3.0.4 G1810a_0211 + bug-fixed splines	Valencia: - 1p1h+RPA - 2p2h	Rein-Sehgal 16 resonances non-interfering (BC Tuned)	Bodek-Yang low $Q^2$	AGKY+Pythia 6	Tuned effective single interaction (hA)
NuWRO	v19.02	- Benhar SF w/ opt. pot. - Valencia: RPA & 2p2h	Delta + Pythia Low W	Bodek-Yang low $Q^2$	Pythia 6	Tuned Salcedo-Oset cascade

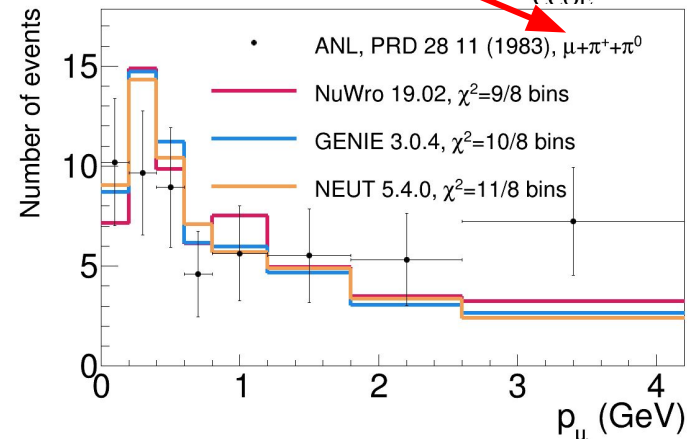
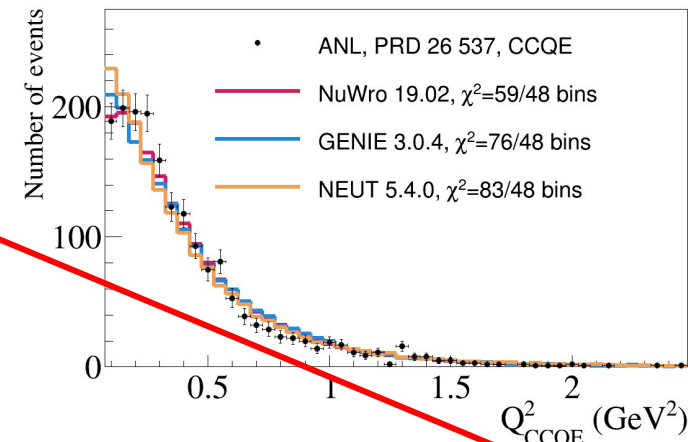
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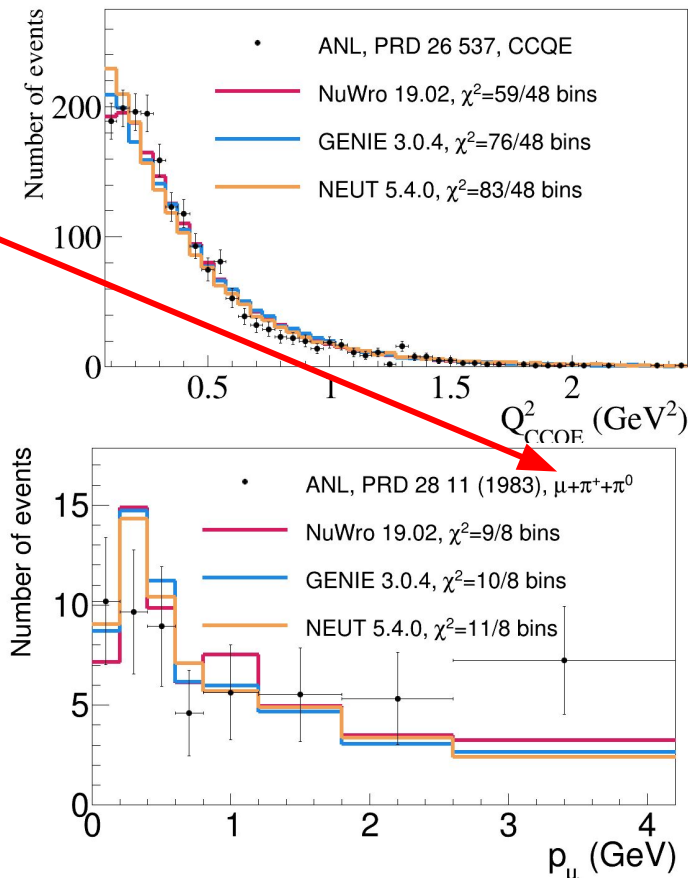
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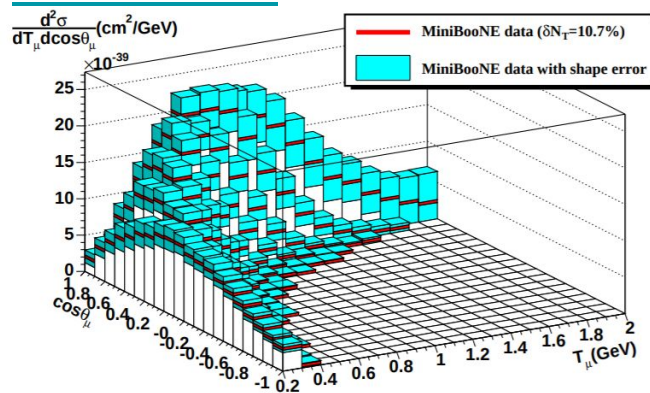
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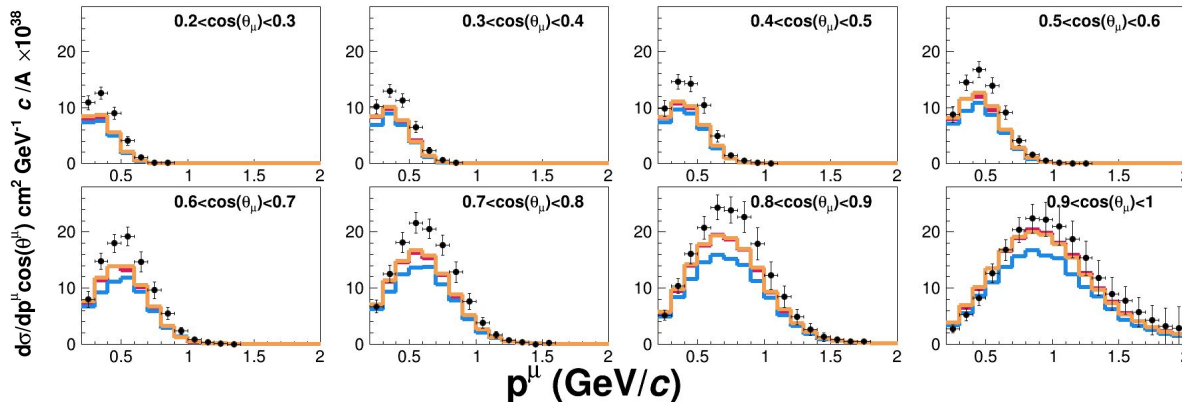
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— NuWro 19.02

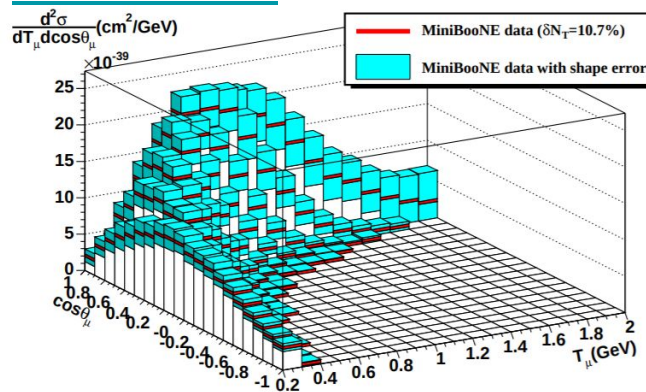
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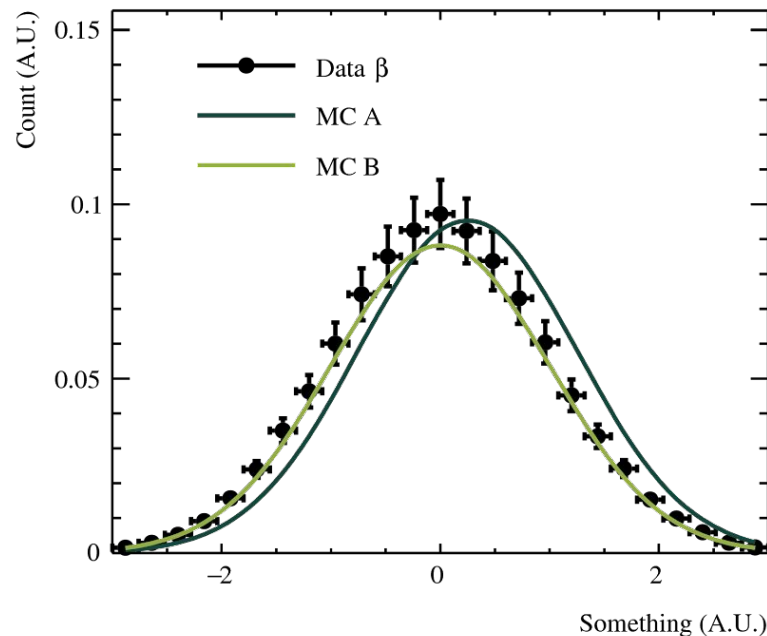
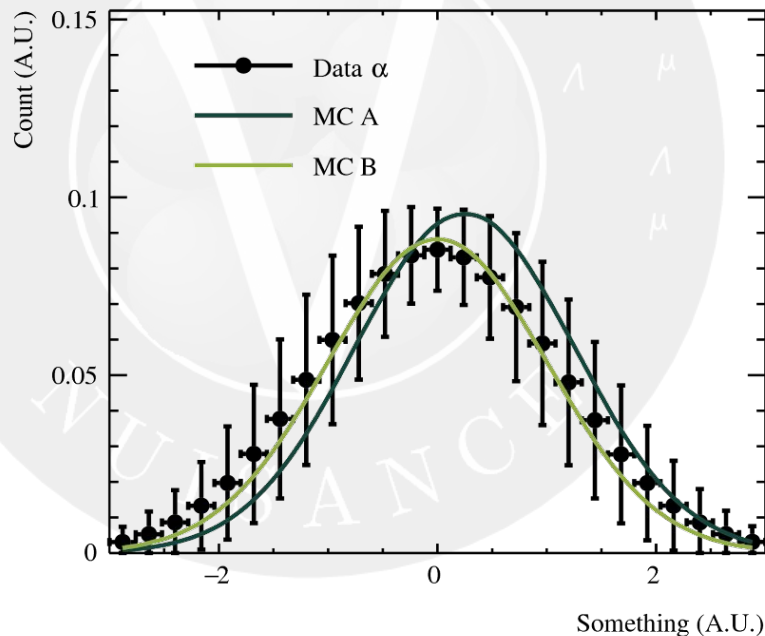
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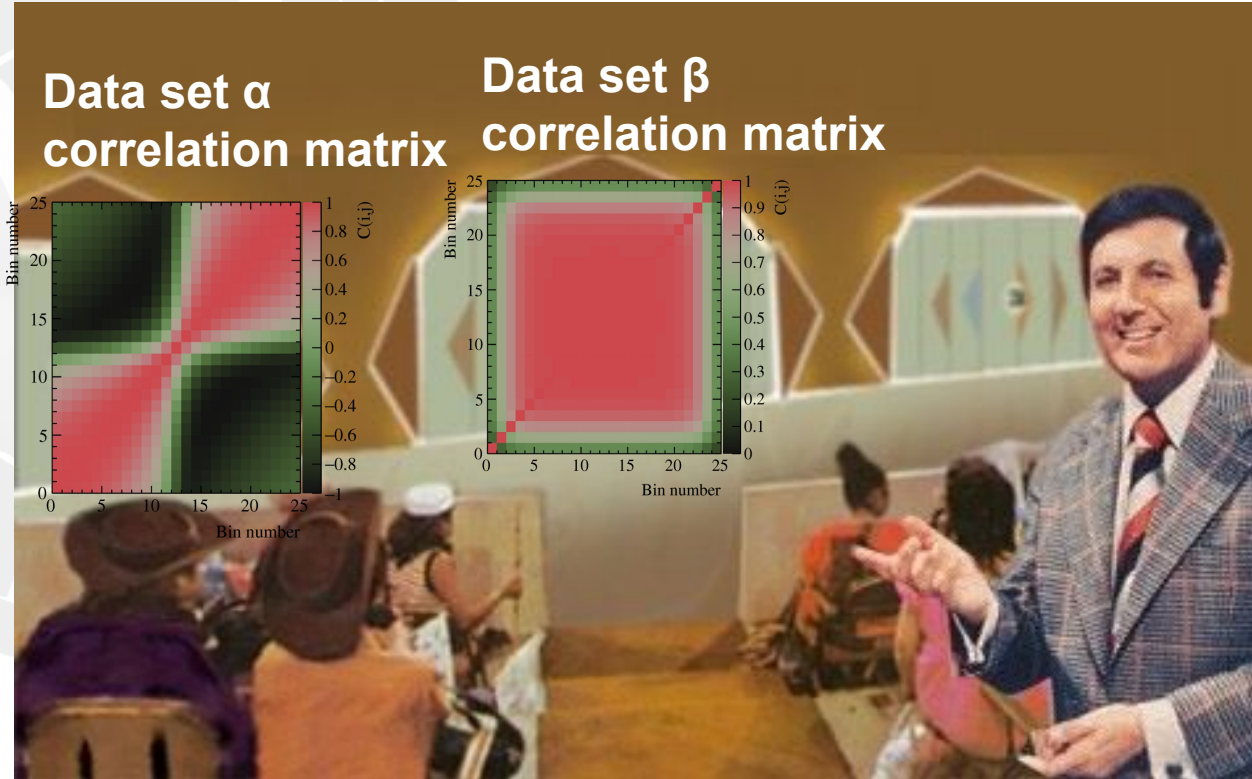


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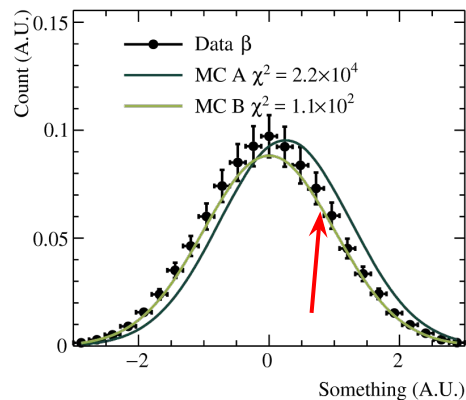
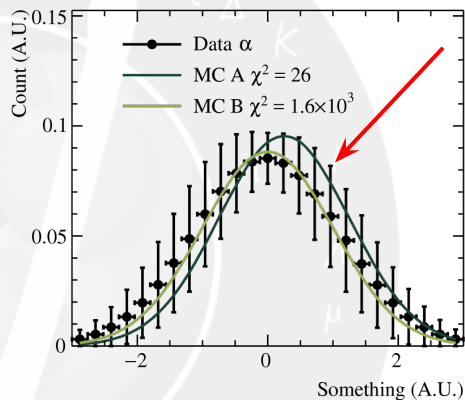
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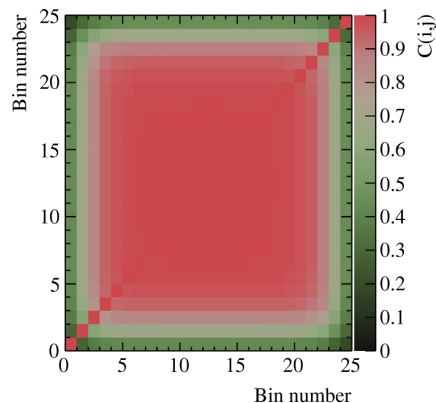
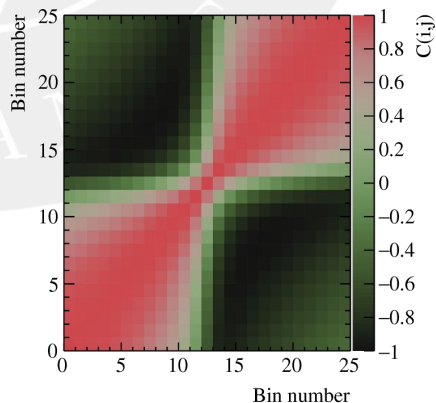
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# What you expected?



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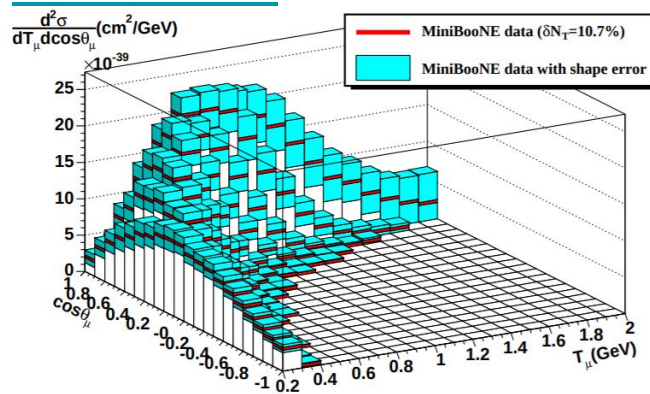
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    - **Fully correlated:**  $\sim \sum_{i \in \text{bins}} (\text{Data} - \text{MC})_i^2 / \text{NBins}$
  - In reality, probably somewhere in between.
  - If used naively, will incorrectly dominate a tune **and more data won't help...**
- But, we want to use the information that this data holds, unsatisfactory to just ignore it...

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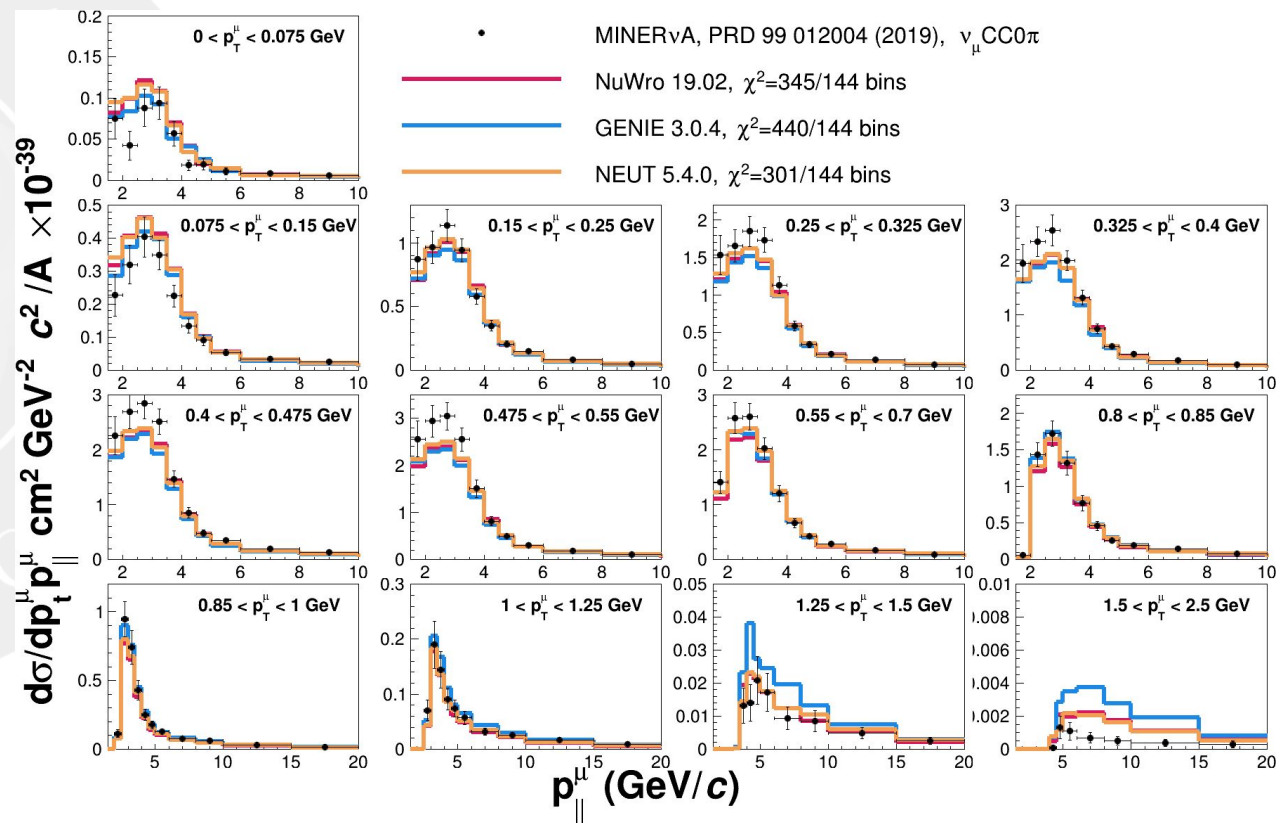
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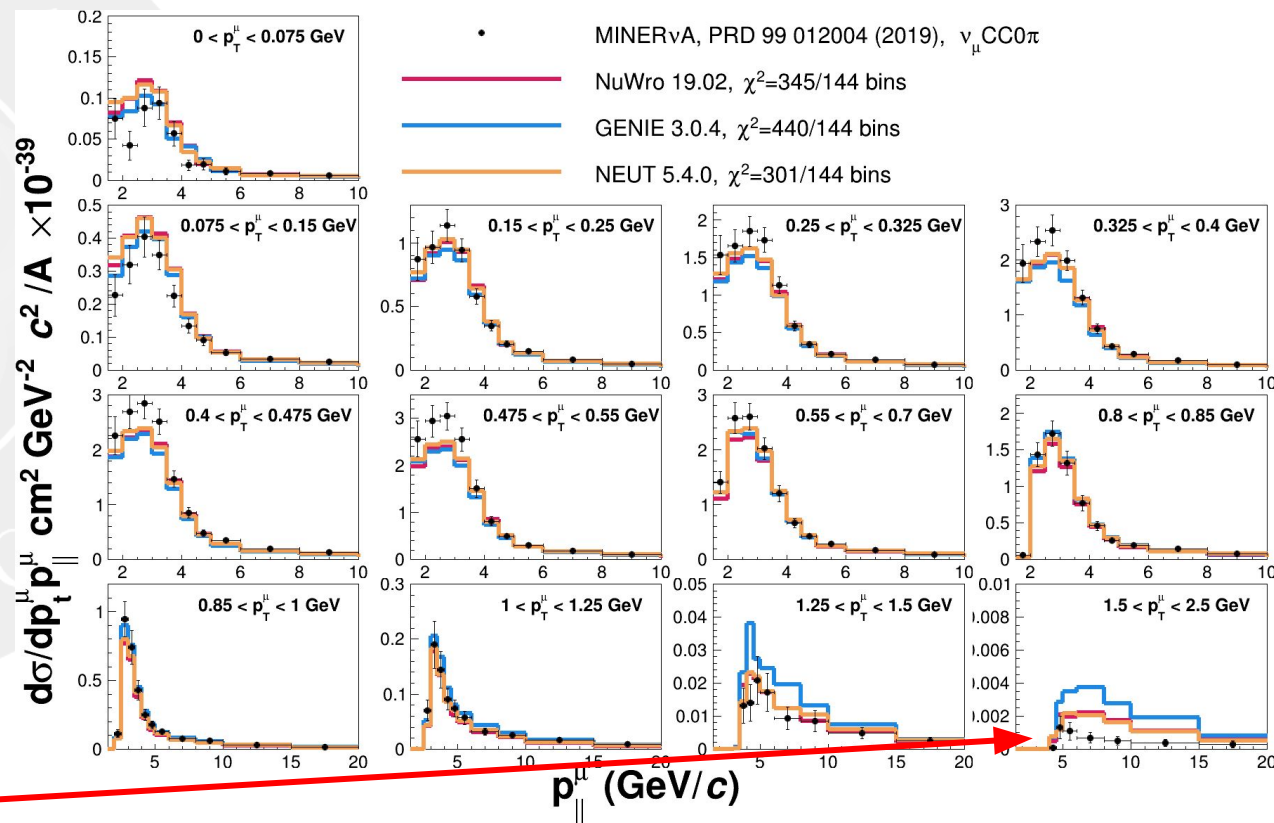
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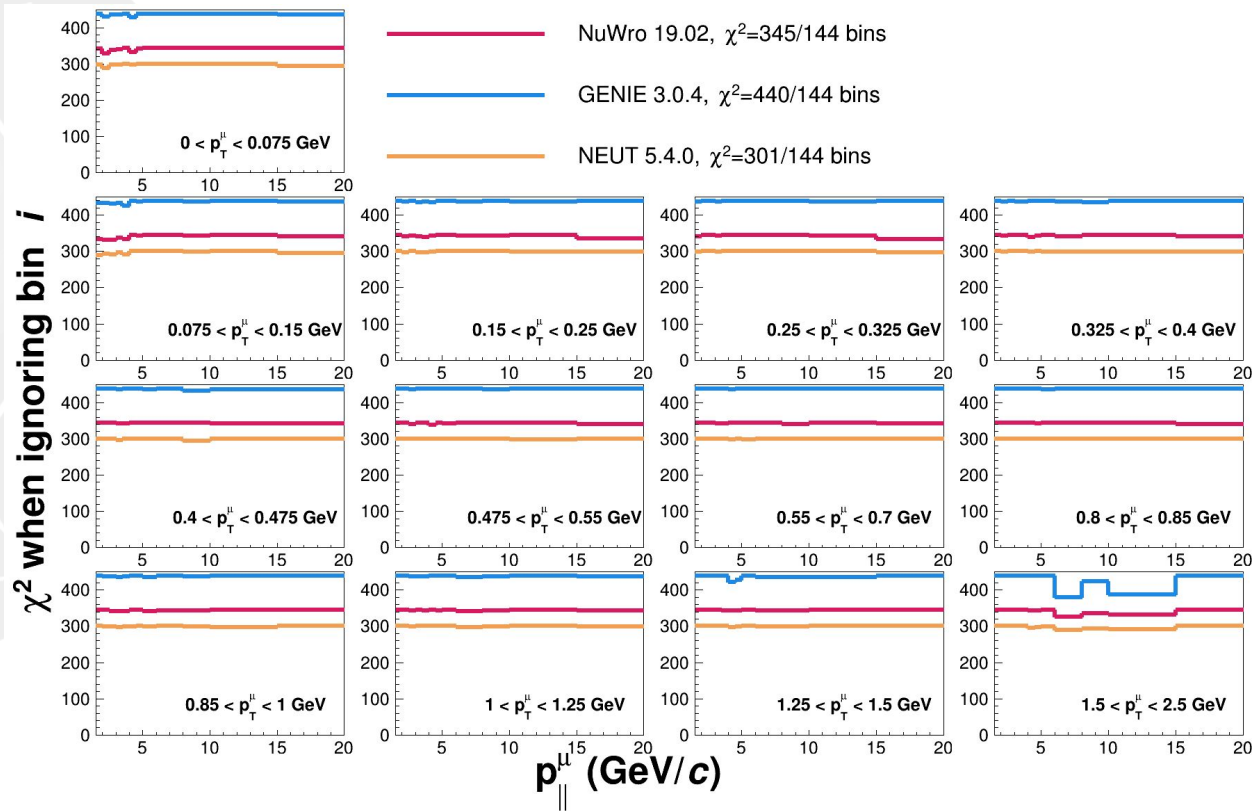




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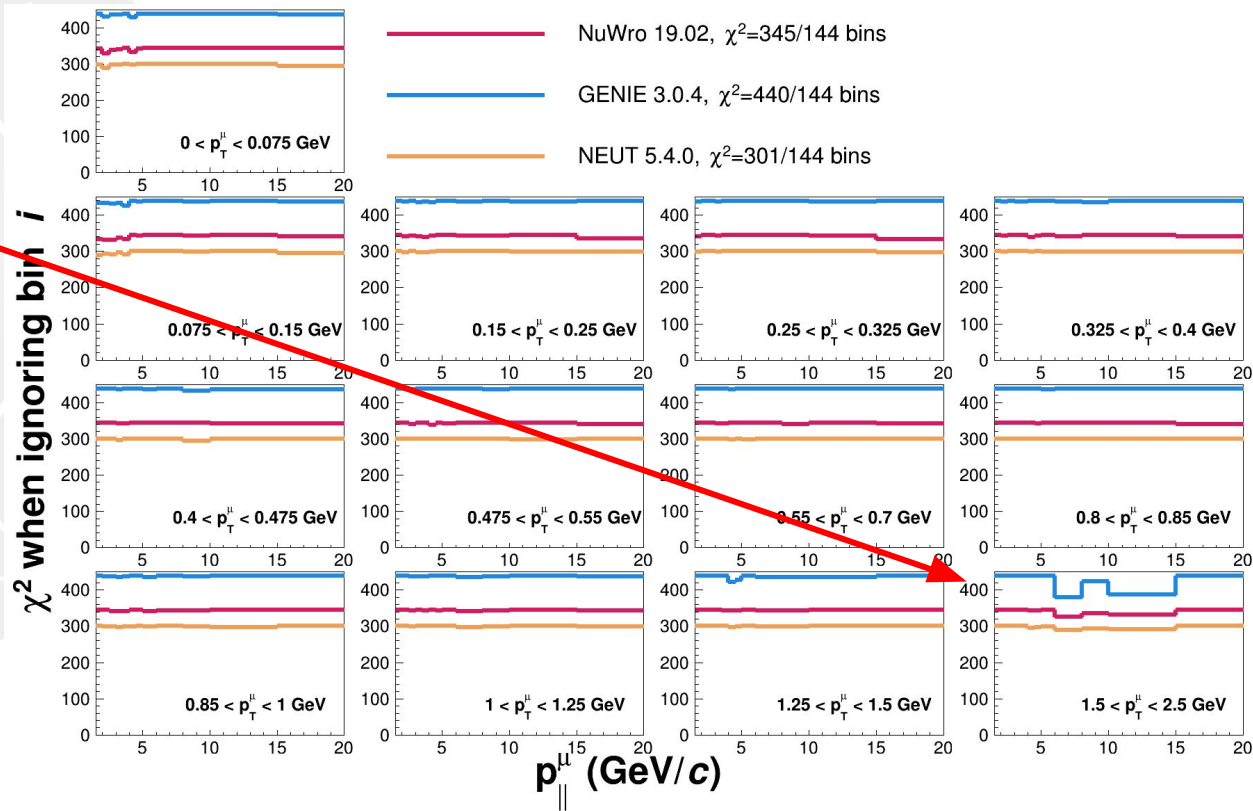
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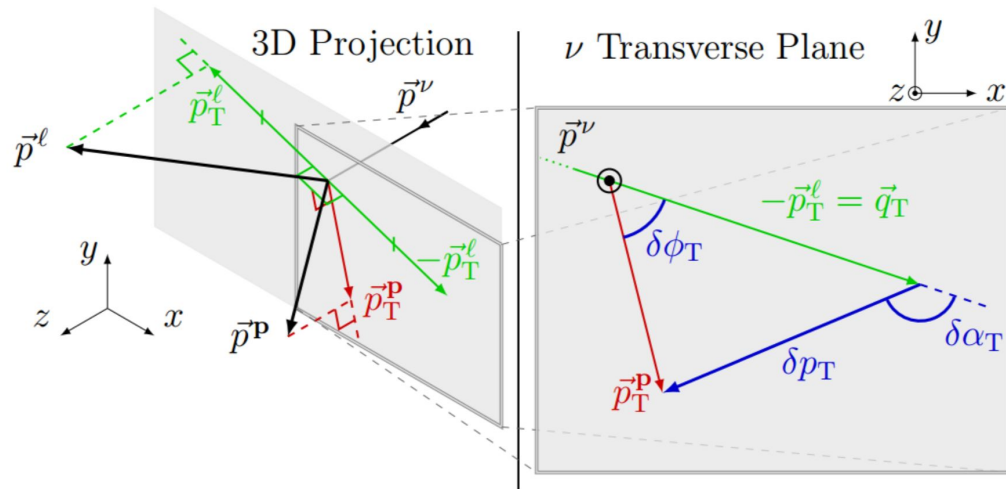
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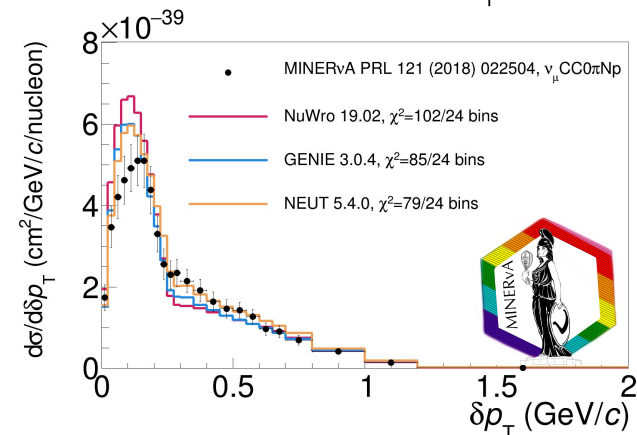
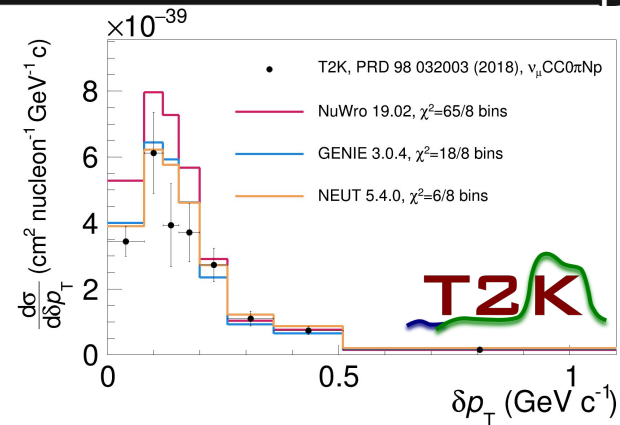
# Single Transverse Variables

- Recent interest in lepton-hadron correlations:
  - Can be more sensitive to certain effects than lepton-/hadron-only
  - Efficiency/smearing corrections need to be treated with more care.
- Direction/magnitude of momentum imbalance is sensitive to initial and final state effects PRD 98 032003 (2018).



# Transverse missing momentum

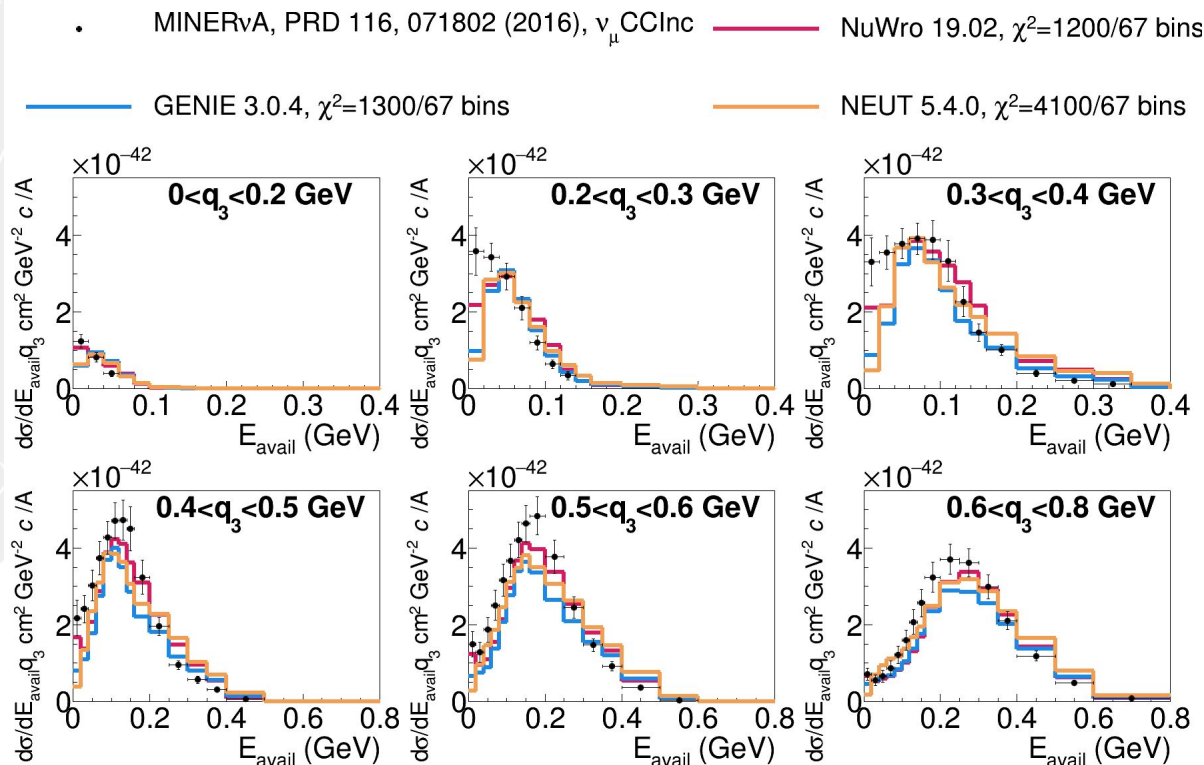
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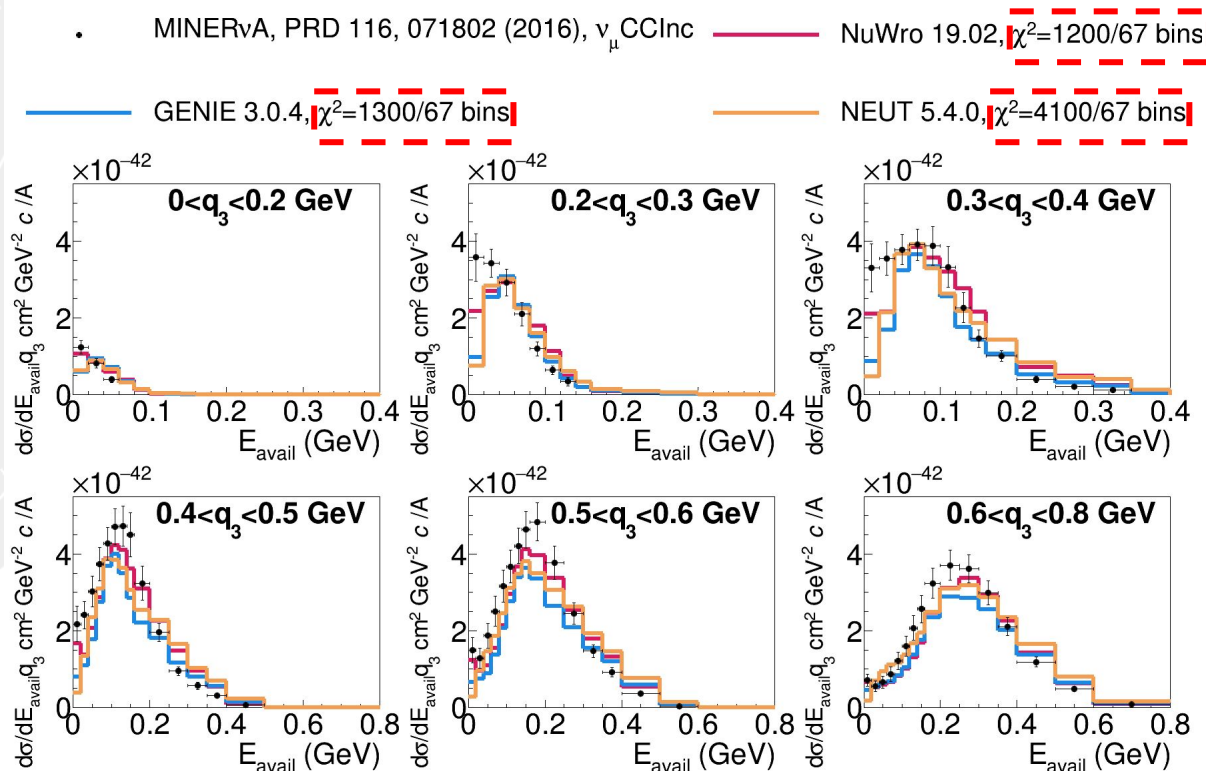
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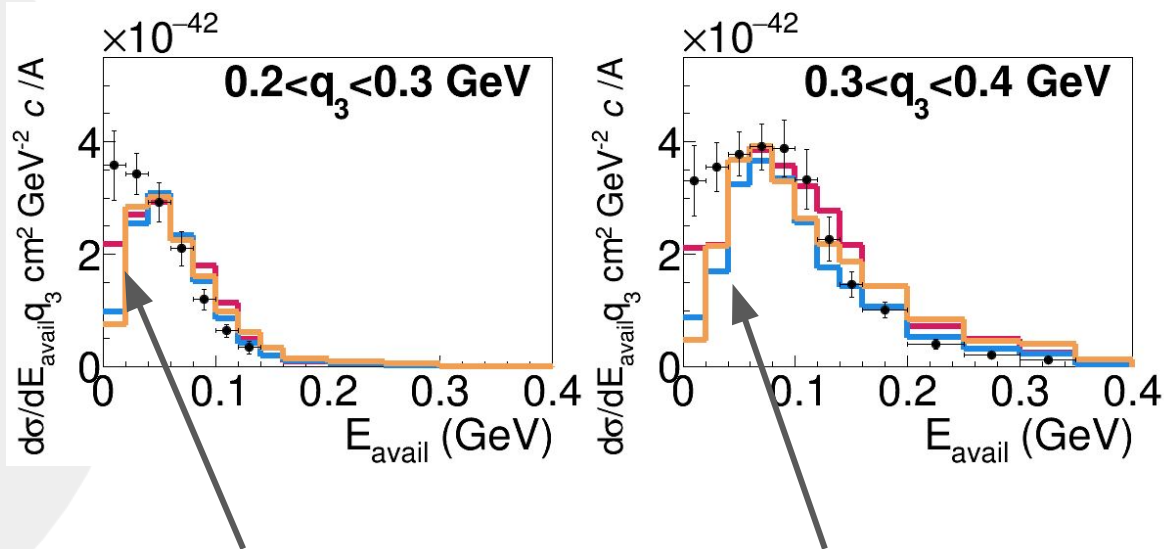
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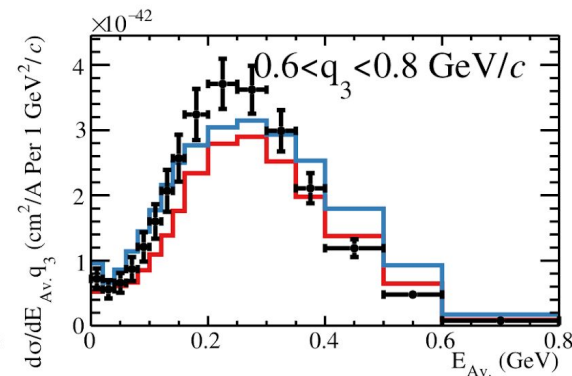
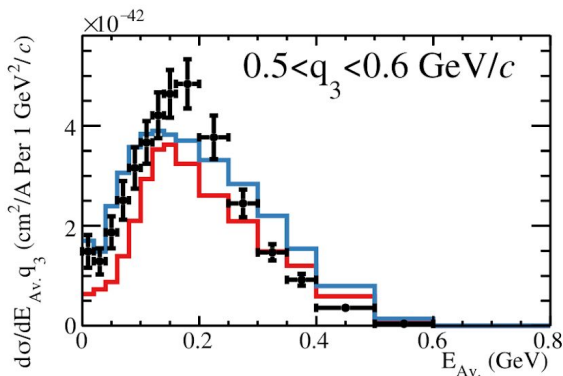
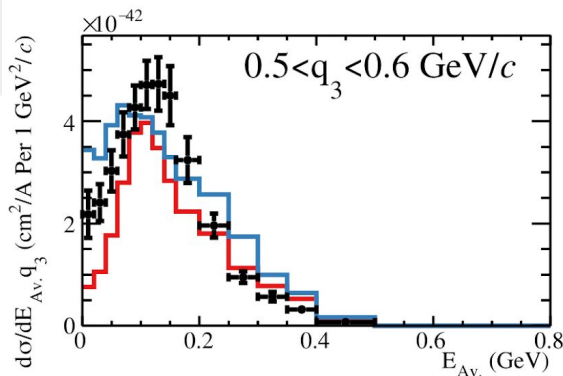
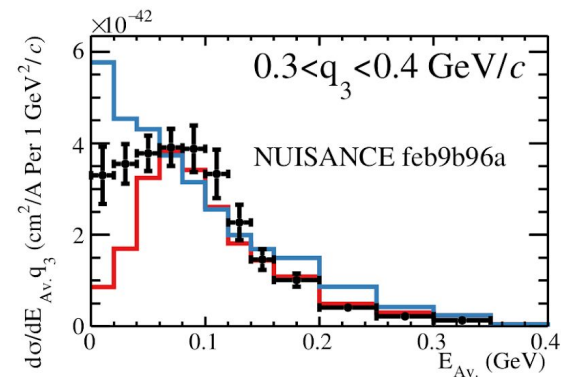
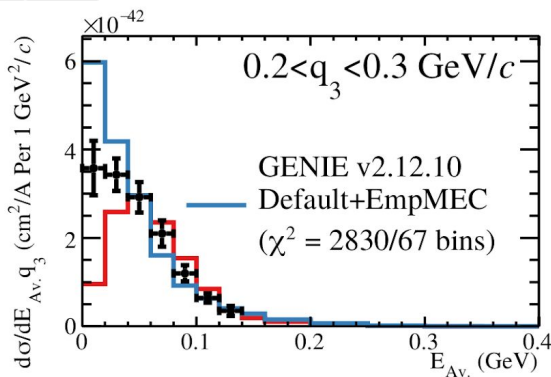
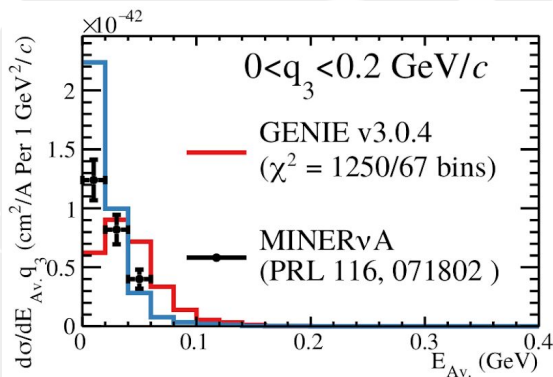
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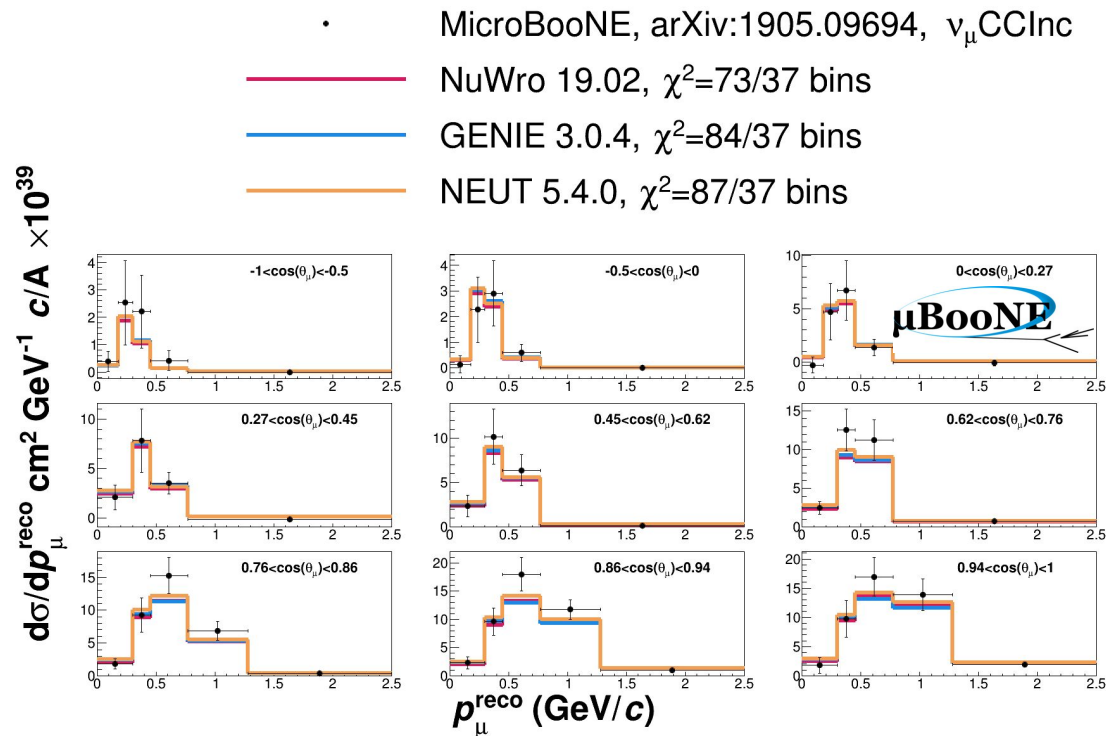


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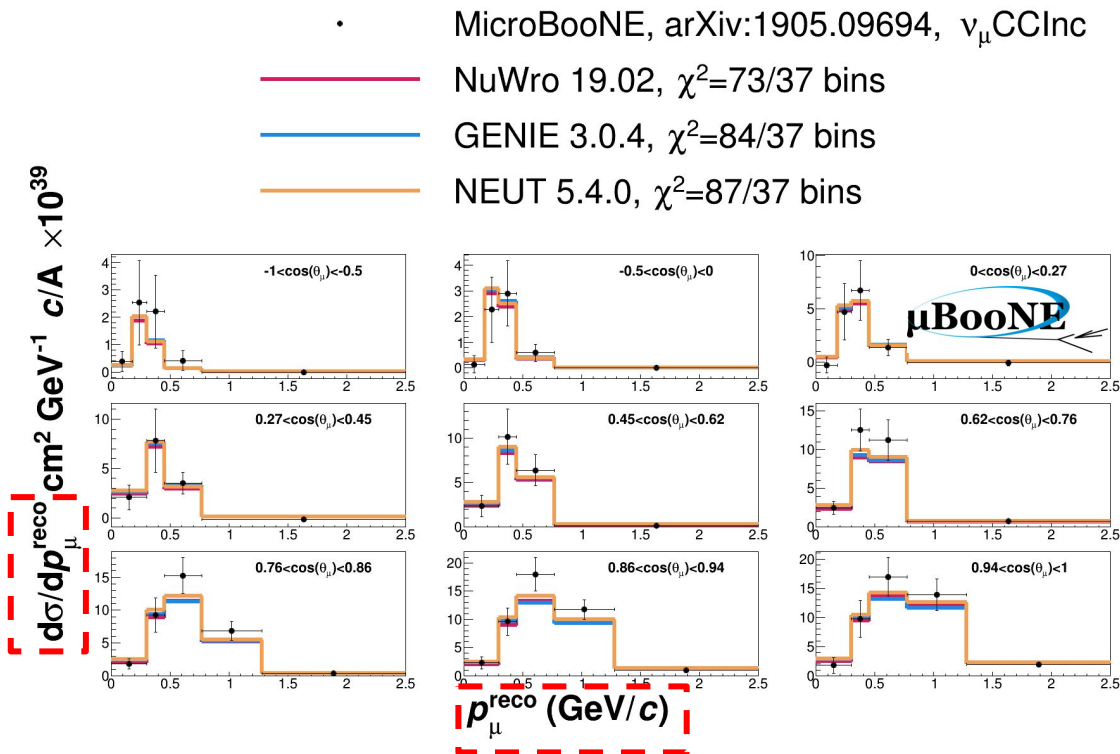
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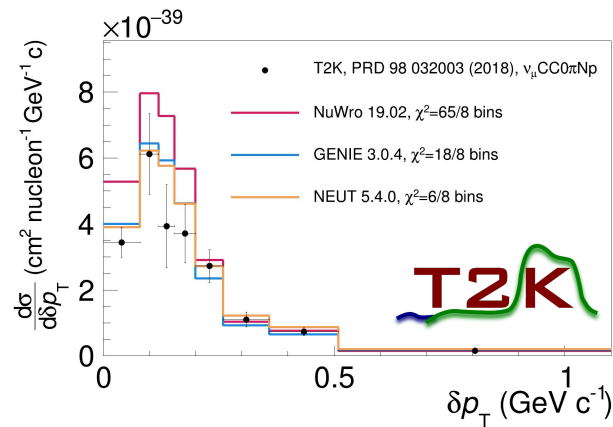


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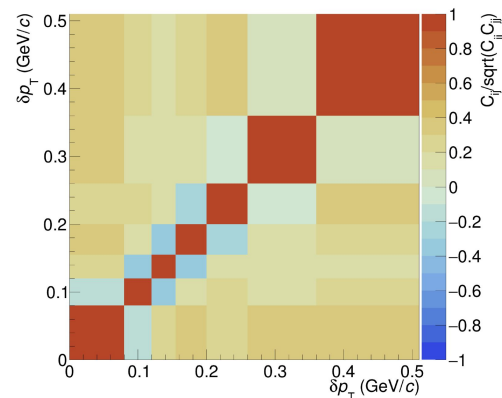
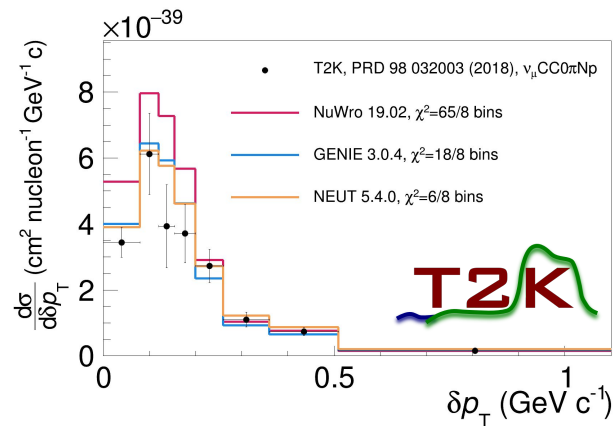
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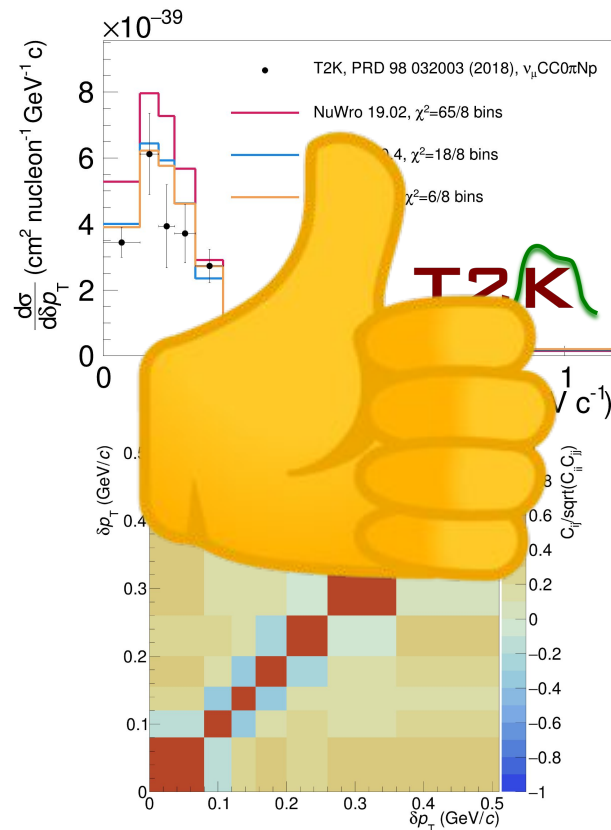
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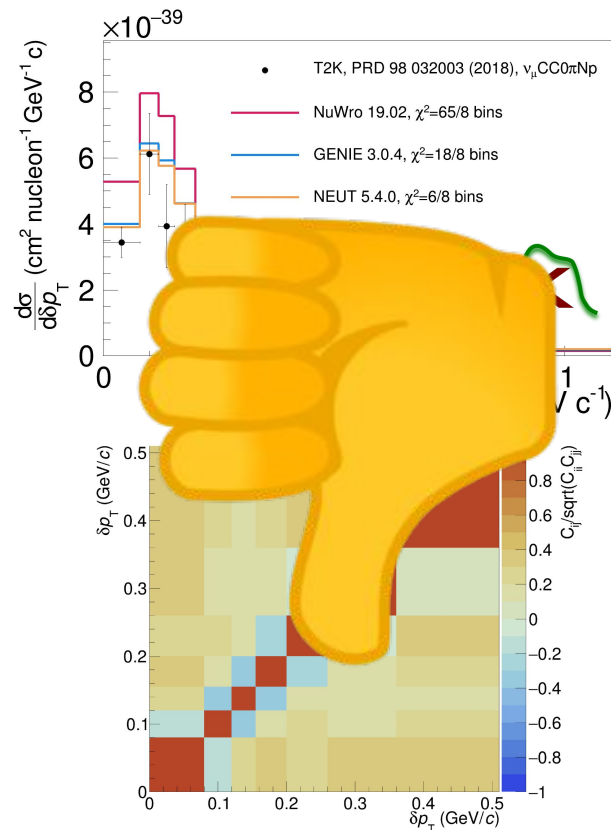
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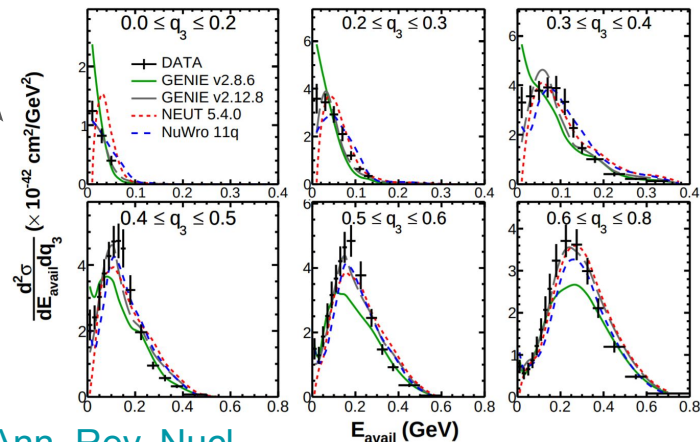
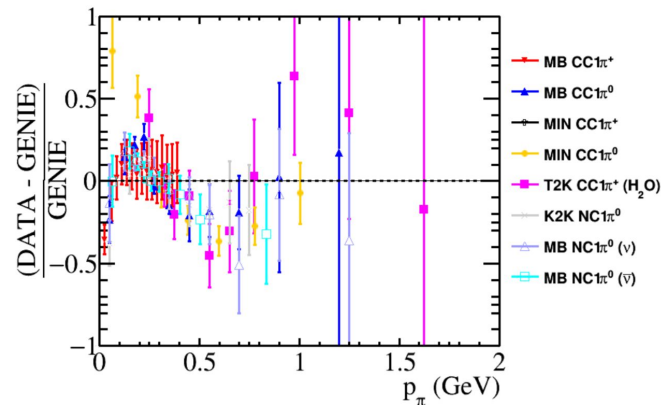
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    - **Between projections**
    - **Between datasets.**



# Why NUISANCE might be right for you

- Consistently comparing your model predictions to many data-sets.
- Producing comparisons to your new data set with a variety of MCs --- without having to be an expert.
- Ensure that comparisons to your data are done correctly.**
- Tools make cross-section parameter fitting mechanically simple:
  - But, garbage in → garbage out.**
  - Choice of data, choice of parameters, structure of fit is the tough bit.



# Future

- More data: Your data!
  - Want to increase use of electron-scattering data
  - Possibly also include nucleon/pion scattering data for FSI/SI tuning.
- More comparisons:
  - New generators everywhere: GENIE v3, NEUT 5.4.0, NuWro 2019, GiBUU 2019
  - Aim to produce comprehensive, quantitative model comparisons with available data in the next 6--12 months!
- More tunes:
  - Recent collaboration with MINERvA on fitting GENIE to their published pion production data fruitful—looking forward to more collaboration!
- Sharing and comparing:
  - Can apply MINERvA, T2K, and NOvA in-house tunes on top of relevant ‘base’ models.



# Summary

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- NUISANCE is a tool for generator--data comparisons
  - Contains a large number of datasets and associated signal definitions for you to use.
  - Has tools for performing 'global' cross-section comparisons and tunes.
  - **But: You have to be aware of the details of the data you comparing to!**
- We hope that you develop a NUISANCE sample for your new dataset before/during publication:
  - Ensure that the data is used correctly and effectively while it's hot stuff!
  - Support is on hand if you need help.
- If any of this sounds interesting, get in touch, plenty of work and development that can be done by people with a range of experiences!



# Thanks for listening

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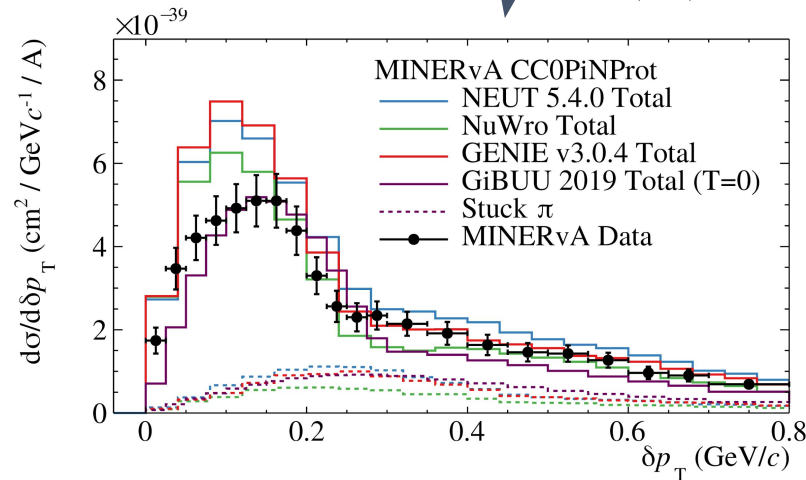
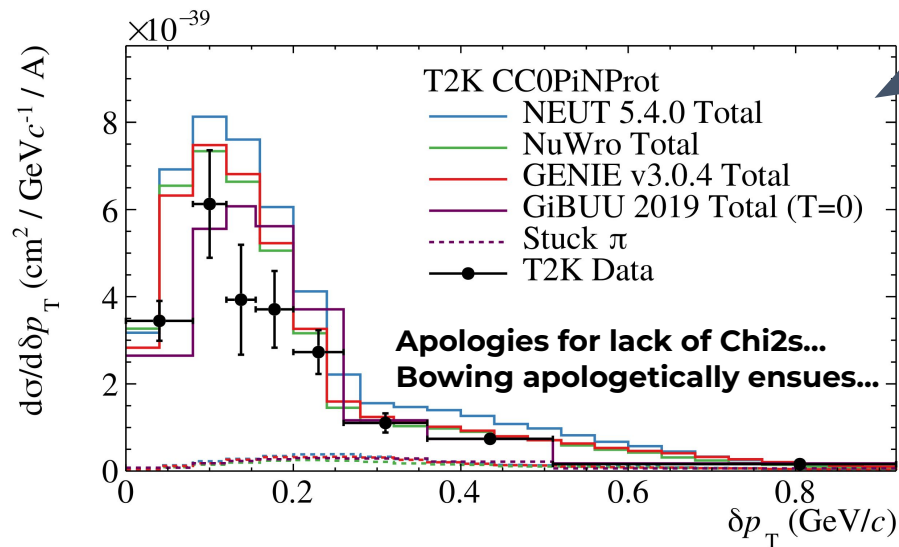
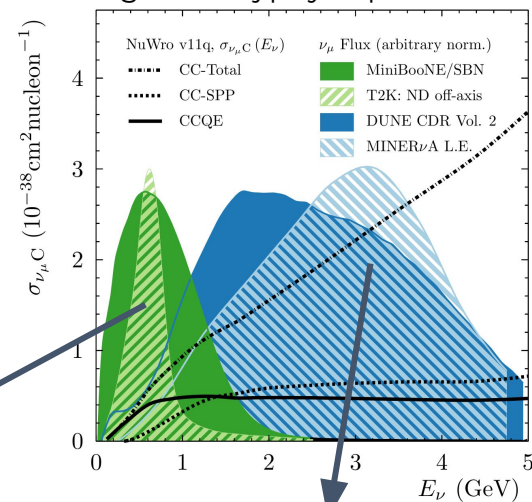


THERE IS ALWAYS HOPE



# Data Comparison: $\delta p_T$

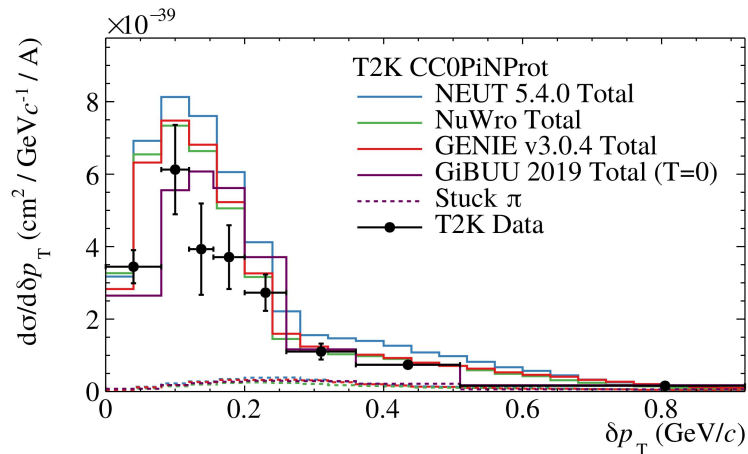
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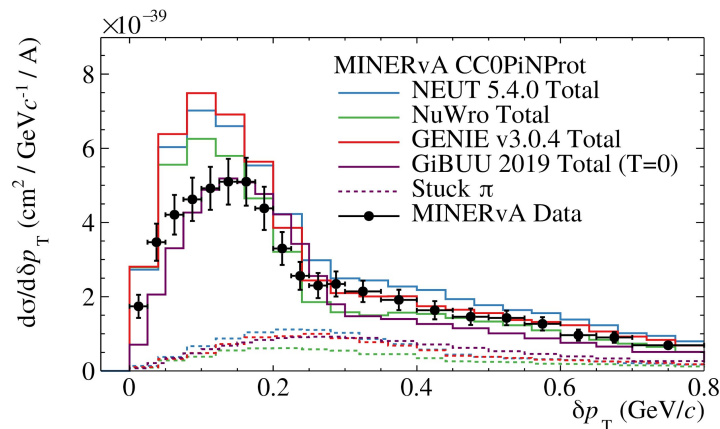
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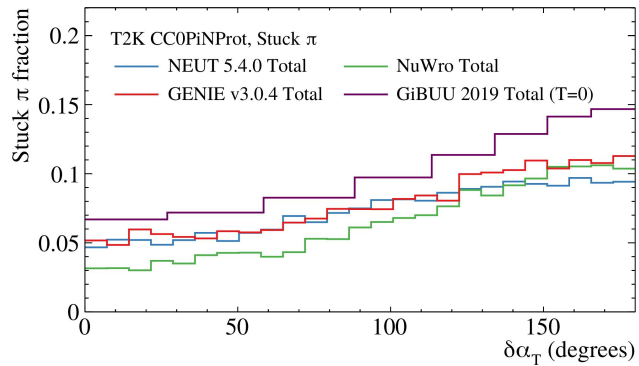
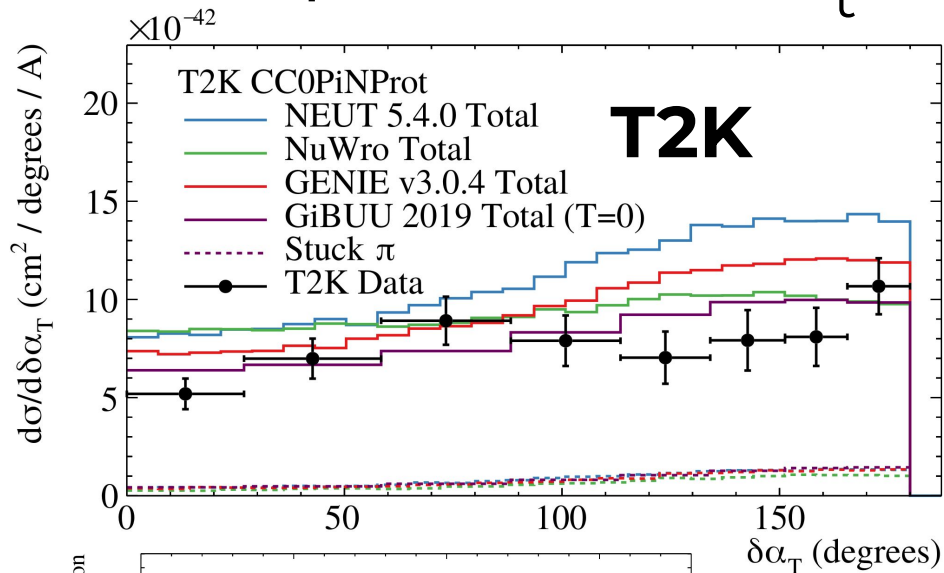
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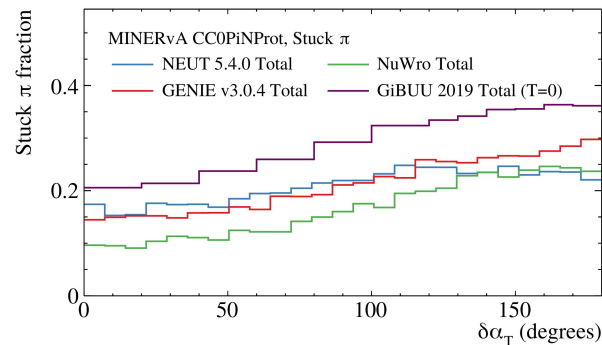
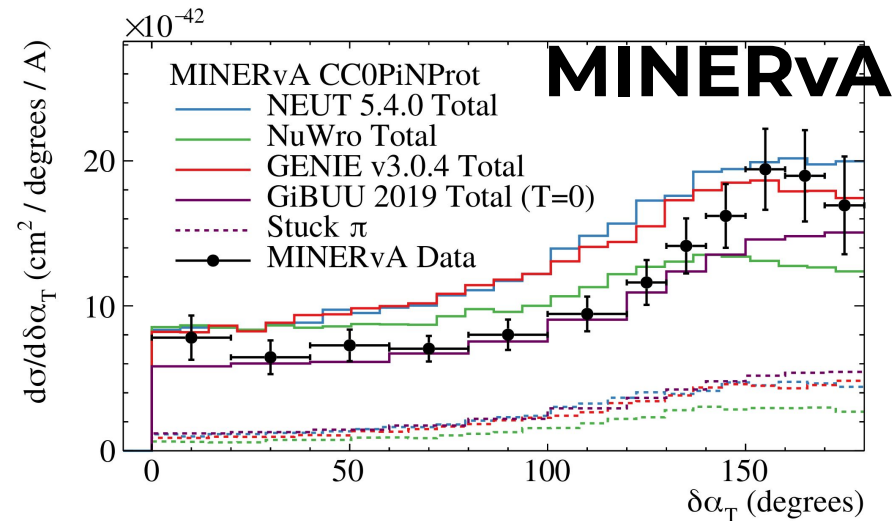
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# Stuck pion rate: $\delta\alpha_t$

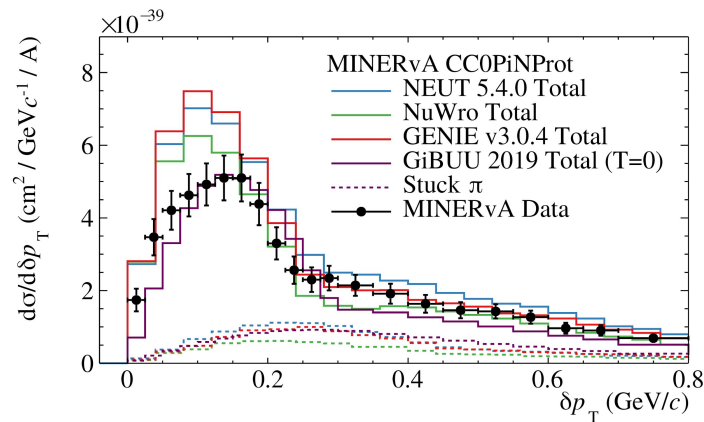
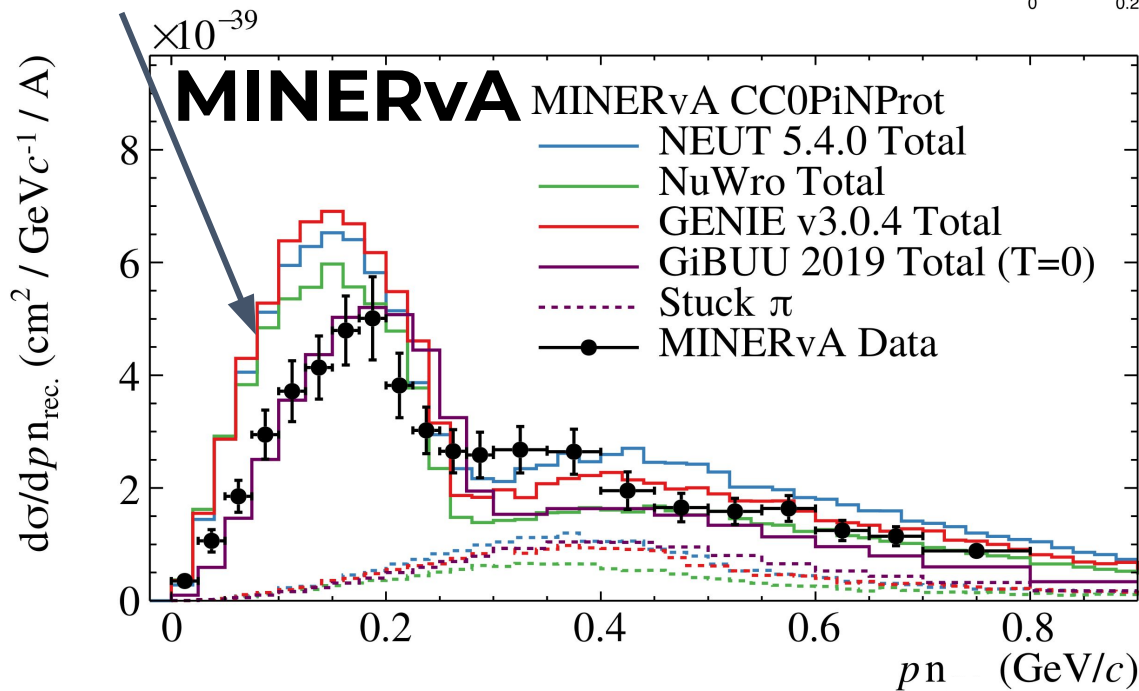
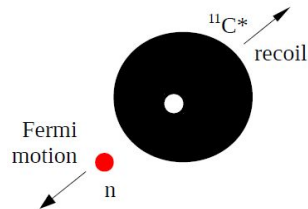
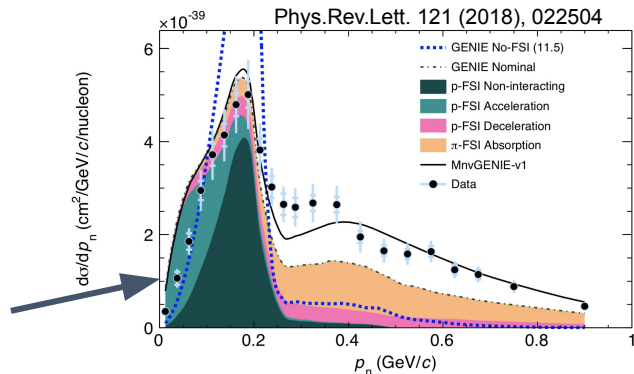


QEL-pure at low  $\delta\alpha_t$   
FSI and stuck pion rich at higher  $\delta\alpha_t$



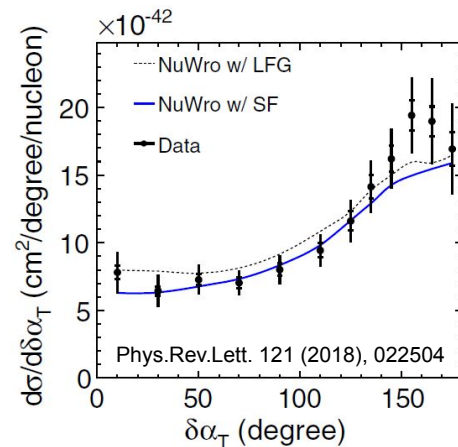
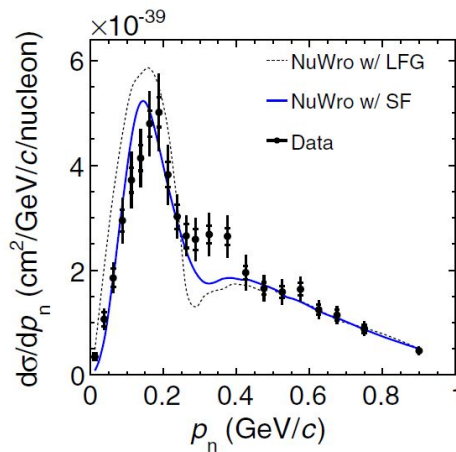
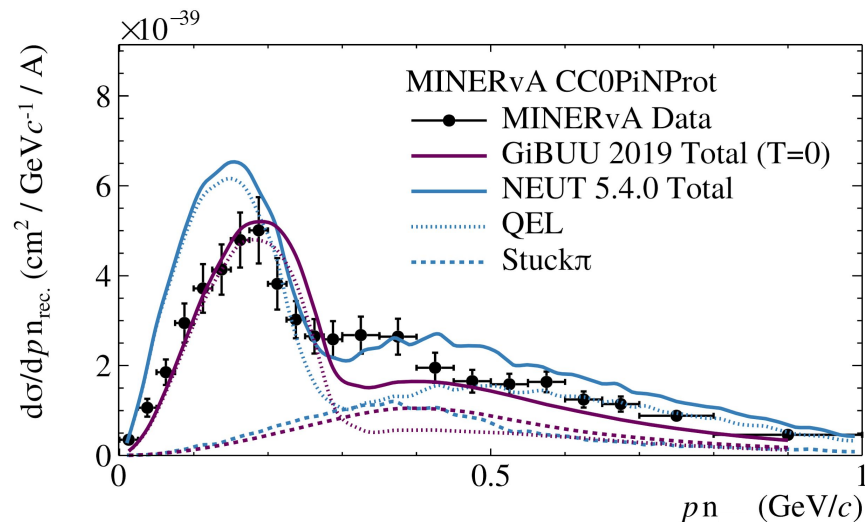
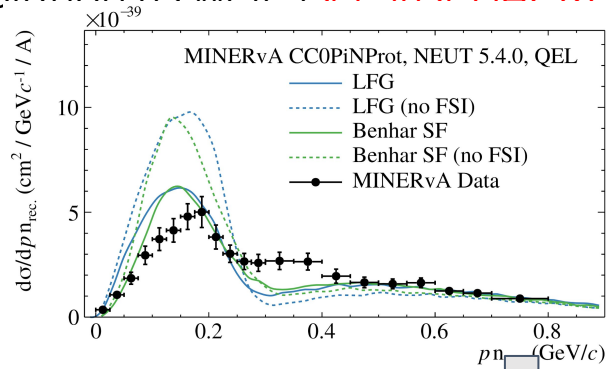
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see definition in BACKUP

- S. Dolan: Relative to dpt, stuck pions more away from QEL peak (**all non-QE, see later, backup**)
- GENIE V304 below no longer has elastic hA, less lumpy



# More pn

- Also wanted to look at stuck pi vs. 2p2h
  - GiBUU predicts no second peak for QEL, but NEUT does.
- And FSI/Nuclear momentum/binding model changes:
  - LFG/SF in NEUT qualitatively similar, **contrary to NuWro**
  - FSI mostly interacts with signal selections
- May be interesting to look at energy evolution as well (**see last BACKUP**)

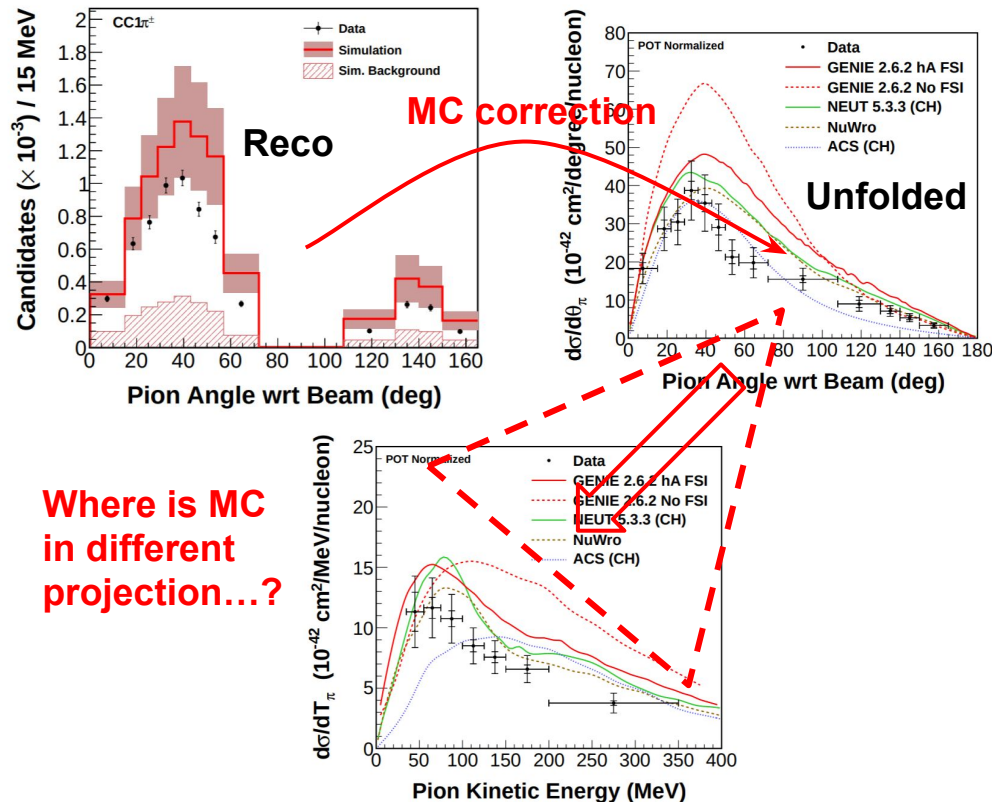




# MINERvA $1\pi$ neutrino-mode

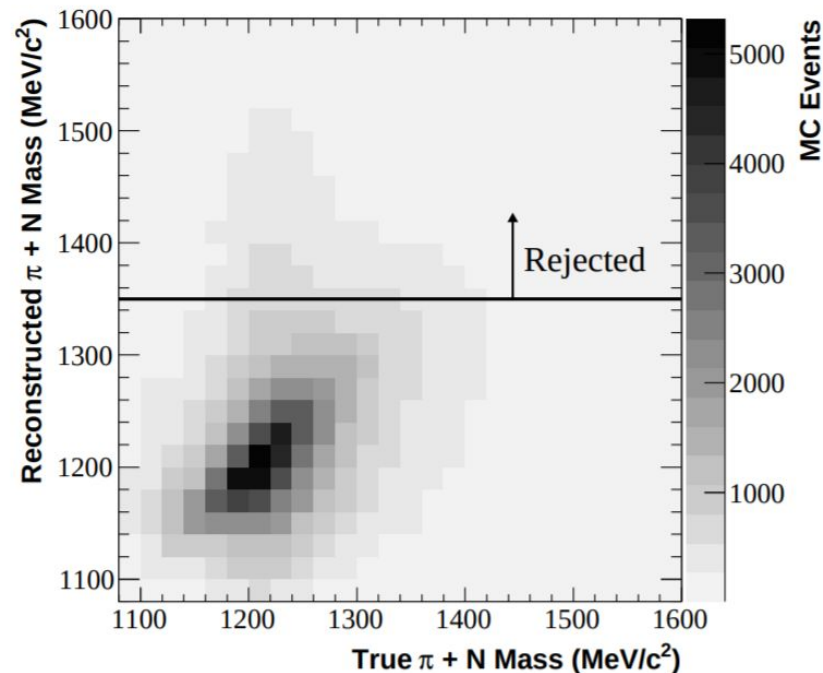
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- For the charged pion analyses:
  - ~100% efficiency correction at high angle.
  - Where is this 'MC fill-in' in other distributions?
- Upcoming re-analysis still no phase space cuts.
- No covariance between distributions ( $p_\mu$ ,  $\theta_\mu$ ,  $T_\pi$ ,  $\theta_\pi$ ,  $Q^2$ ) or samples ( $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^0$ ,  $\nu$ ,  $\bar{\nu}$ ):
  - Difficult to consistently use together in a meta-analysis.



# MiniBooNE 1Pi+

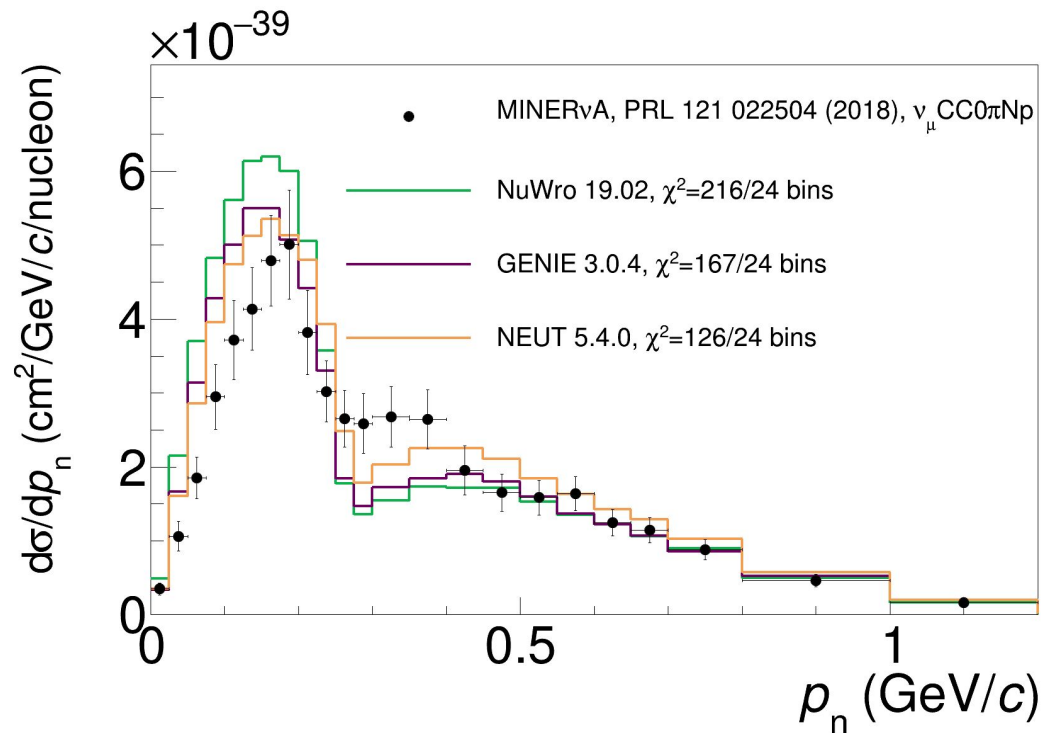
- Rejection only in selection, not signal definition:
  - Will be efficiency corrected back with NUANCE-calculated efficiency.
  - Better to include analysis cuts in both signal and selection where possible, then handle new out-of-phase space backgrounds, but smaller, less model dependent efficiency corrections.





# MINERvA: Initial state neutron momentum

- Momentum imbalance in all three dimensions is sensitive to initial state fermi nucleon momentum distribution.
  - GOF is poor for all models.



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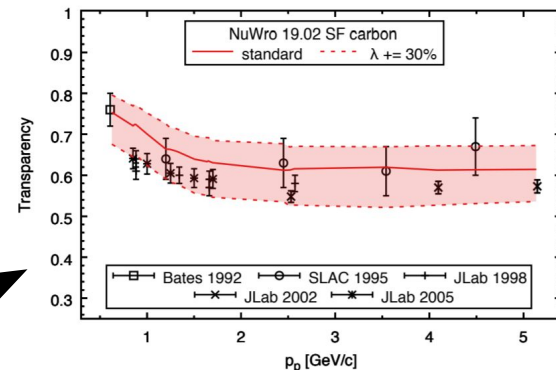


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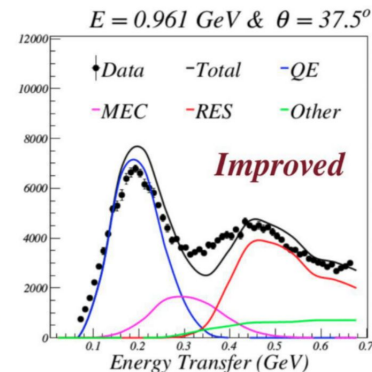
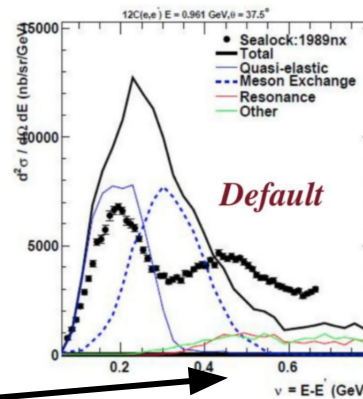
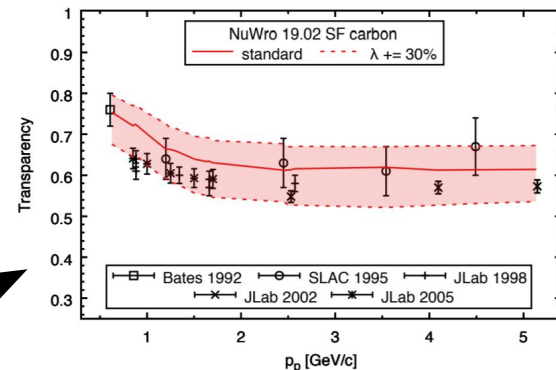
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- Version 3 released!
- Extensive  $\nu$ -N tuning to bubble chamber data
- **Many improvements to electron scattering simulation (c.f. Or Hen e4nu Plenary)**
- Some significant bug fixes

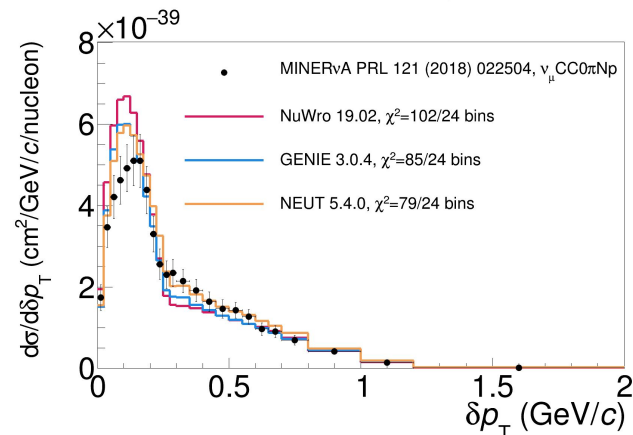
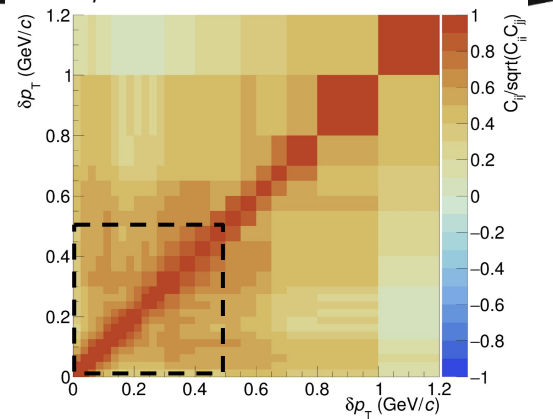


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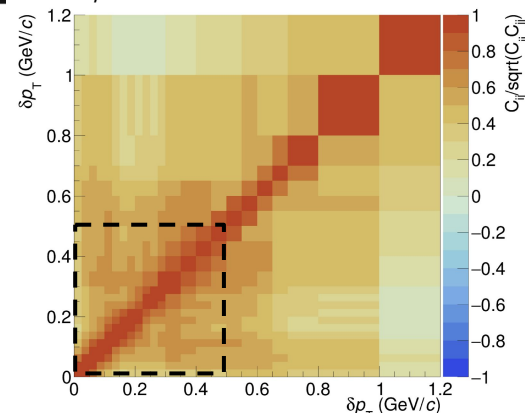
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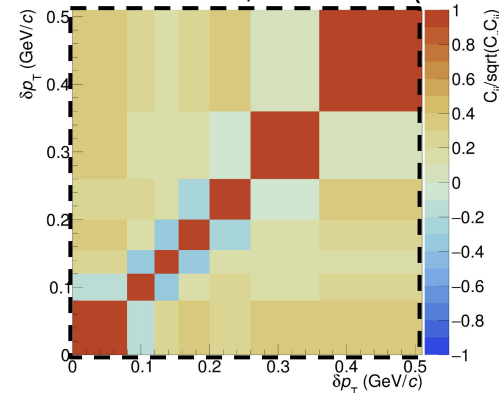
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- Equivalent matrix for the T2K result exhibits anti-correlations between neighbouring bins:
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T2K: PRD98, 032003 (2018)



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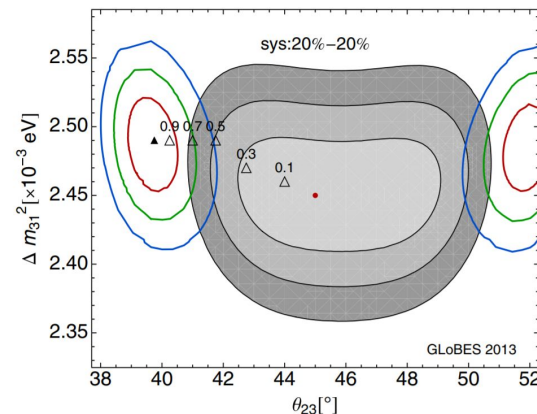
- The loftiest goals of neutrino oscillation physics depend on the accuracy of event generator predictions and associated uncertainties.
- Recent  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow 0\pi$  data releases have been more statistically robust, but GOF between available models is generally poor
  - Room for improvement in generator predictions, xsec analyses and data releases and global fitting methodology.
  - Correct, correlated errors are a comparators best friend!
- More recent work on removing assumptions in generator factorization and implementing state-of-the-art predictions is promising!

# Why do we need good interaction Models?

- The aim is to perform measurements of neutrino oscillations.
  - Oscillation occurs as a function of true neutrino energy, which is **not observable**.
- We use models to estimate:  $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{x}_{\text{obs}}|\mathbf{x}_{\text{true}})$ : *If we see  $\mathbf{x}_{\text{obs}}$ , what was the true neutrino energy?* We need to understand:
  - Selected backgrounds
  - Selection efficiency
  - Exclusive channel interaction rates and kinematics
- Wrong model  $\rightarrow$  wrong inferred  $P_{\text{osc}}(E_\nu)$ .

$$N_{\text{near}}(\mathbf{x}_{\text{obs}}) = \int d\mathbf{x}_{\text{true}} \underbrace{\mathbf{D}_{\text{near}}(\mathbf{x}_{\text{obs}}|\mathbf{x}_{\text{true}})}_{\text{Smearing, Eff., Pur.}} \underbrace{N_{\text{targ}}\sigma(\mathbf{x}_{\text{true}})\Phi(E_\nu)}_{N_{\text{Int}}(\mathbf{x}_{\text{true}})}$$

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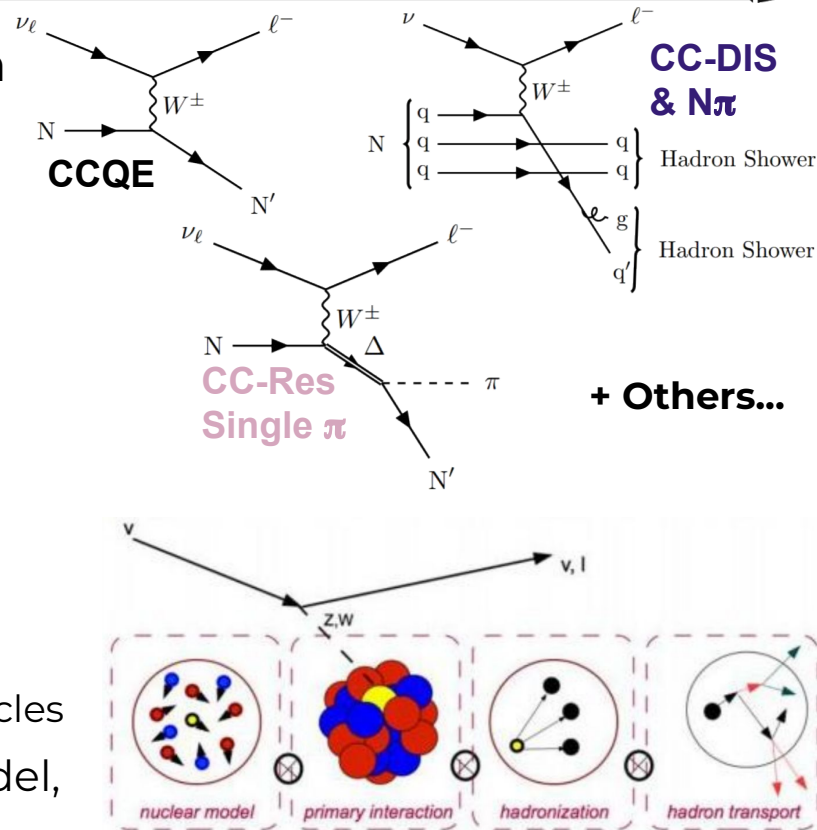
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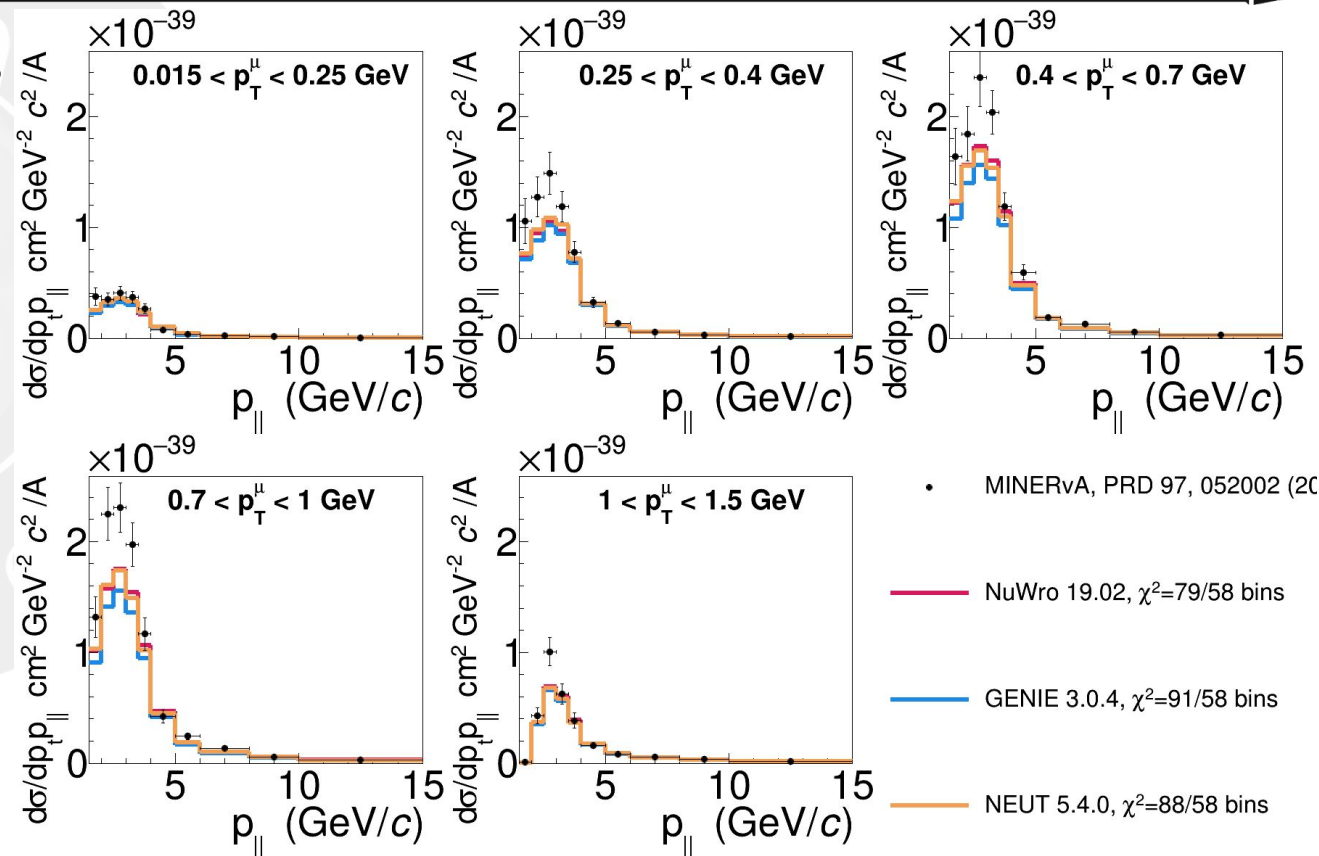
# What is a Neutrino Event Generator

- Selects neutrino 'events' from interaction models:
  - **Over a range of neutrino energy and species,**
  - **For a number of 'primary' channels:**
    - Neutrino--nucleus (COHPi, CvNS)
    - Neutrino--multi-nucleon (2p2h)
    - Neutrino--nucleon (QE, RESPi)
    - Neutrino--parton (DIS)
  - **In a nuclear environment:**
    - Fermi motion distribution
    - Removal energy
    - Collective effects (RPA)
    - Final state re-interactions of primary particles
- Often factorises the simulation of nuclear model, primary interaction, and FSIs.



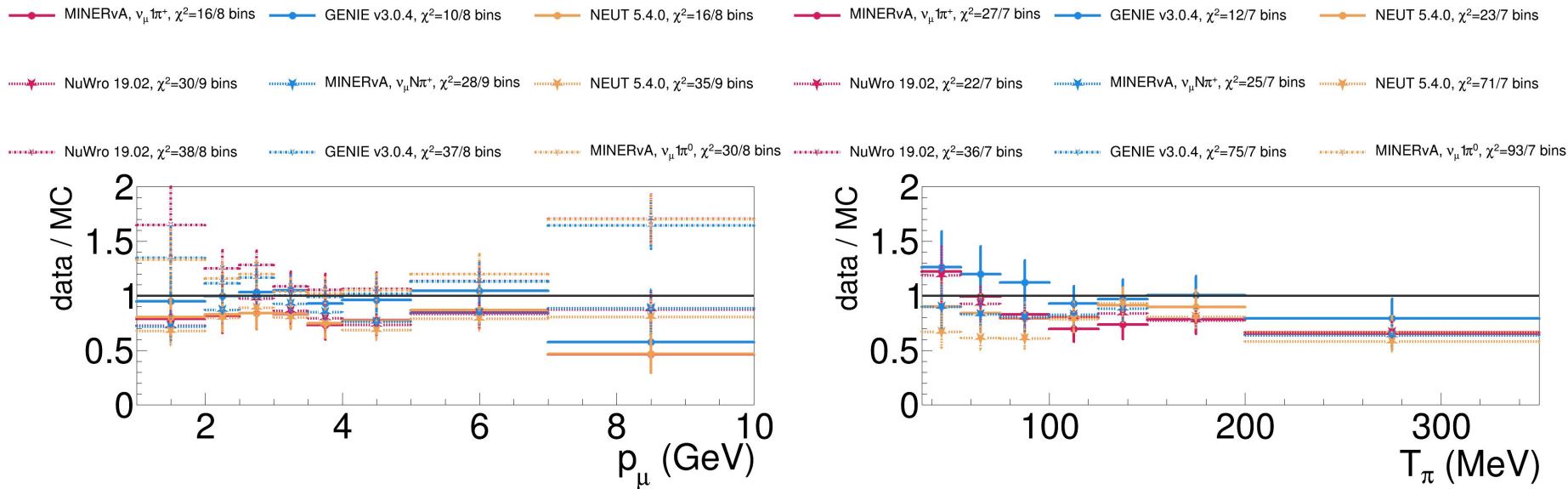
# MINERvA 0pi anti-neutrino-mode

- $\chi$ -by-eye GOF seems worse (to me) than calculated GOF.
- Possibly because of PPP:
  - Smaller MC normalization can give 'artificially' low  $\chi^2$  if uncertainty is not fully characterized.
- Need to be wary of PPP when fitting.



# MINERvA $1\pi$ neutrino-mode

- MINERvA have released a number of pion datasets, each with multiple projections
  - Lots of information, much more than shown here.
  - Fairly poorly predicted all around.
- arXiv:1903.01558: discusses some of the difficulties seen fitting these data.



# Gen Future: 1

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- Last few years seen increase in sophistication of  $0\nu\beta\beta$  analyses
  - Lepton/hadron correlations
  - Less Model-dependent selections and projections
  - Would be very useful to see similar renaissance in pion production datasets.
- Future MicroBooNE (and SBND) data sets will be critical for model builders to benchmark and develop before DUNE and Fermilab Short Baseline program.

# Gen Future: 2

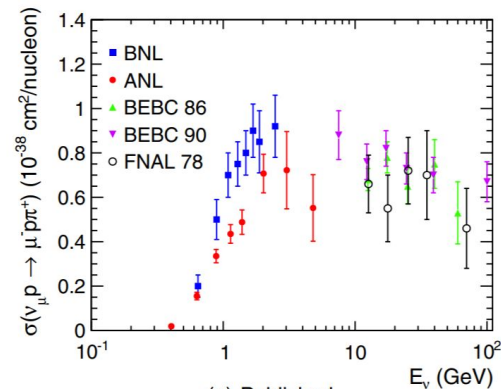
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- These last two years have seen an uptick in model development:
  - GENIE tuning, v3, NEUT and NuWro model developments, ECT\* Trento workshops
  - Lots of progress due to closer interaction with theory community, need to continue!
- But given how much LBL programs will rely on the predictions and uncertainties, the community is quite under person-powered...
  - Plenty of room for important work and novel intellectual contribution
- Can learn a lot of the necessary nuclear physics from electron scattering: GENIE + NuWro have e-A modes, ongoing work by e4nu.
- See what GiBUU has to say for itself...

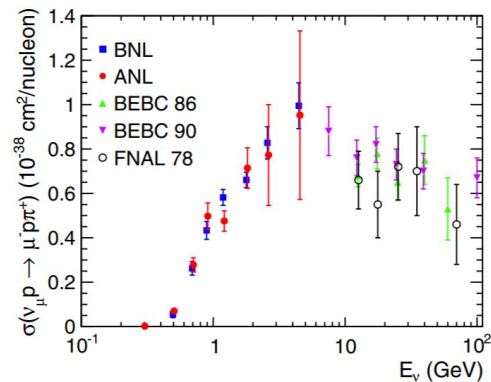
# The data is the data is the data

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- Sometimes the data is not the data is not the data.
- ANL/BNL CC1pi+1proton discrepancy:
  - Data biased by problems in the neutrino flux models
  - ~ Reconciled by re-analysis.
  - **But, no correction for Q2 distribution!**
- Need to be familiar with included data sets and tensions between them.
  - May need to assign *confidence* weights to samples in the global GOF.



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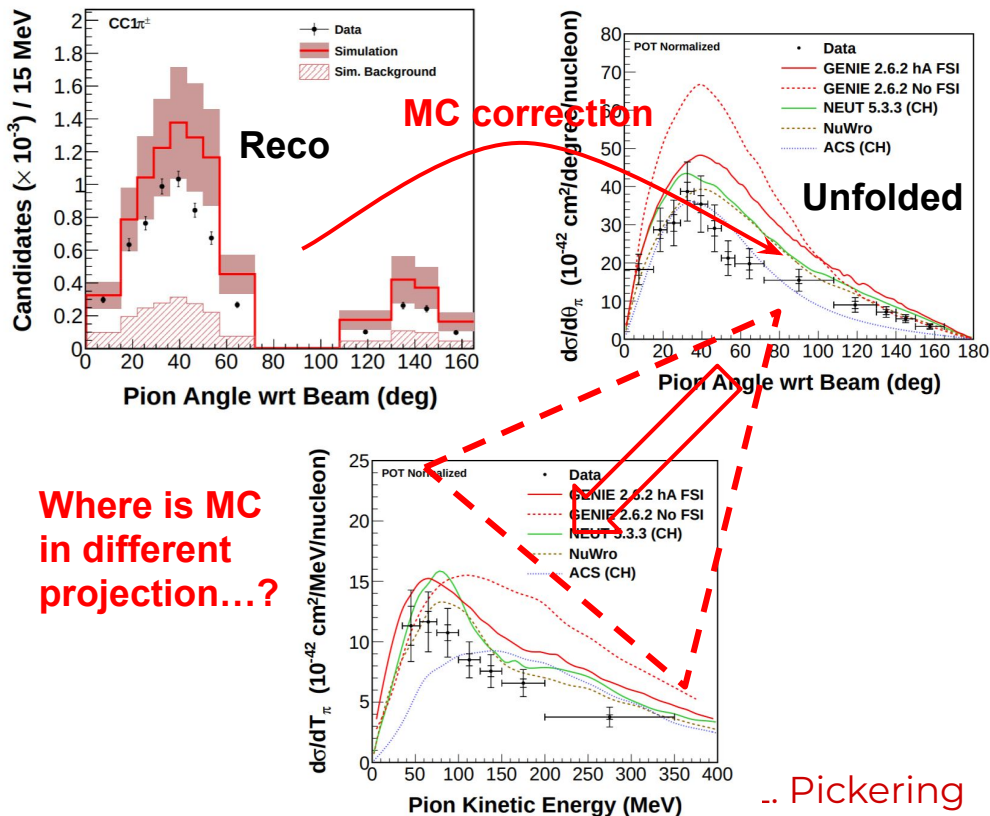
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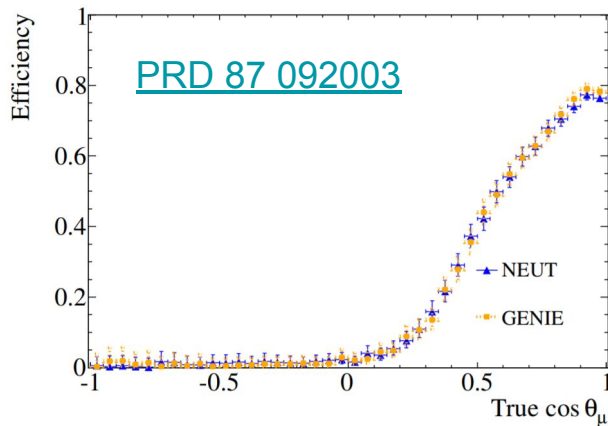
# Hidden Model Biases 1

- Un-smearing and efficiency corrections introduce bias.
- From a fitters point of view, it is better to cut out regions of very poor efficiency:
  - Don't want to compare to *model-of-the-day* contaminated 'data'.
- Very helpful that such plots are in the publication!
- *N.B.* These problems are tricky and ubiquitous, not specifically calling out this publication.

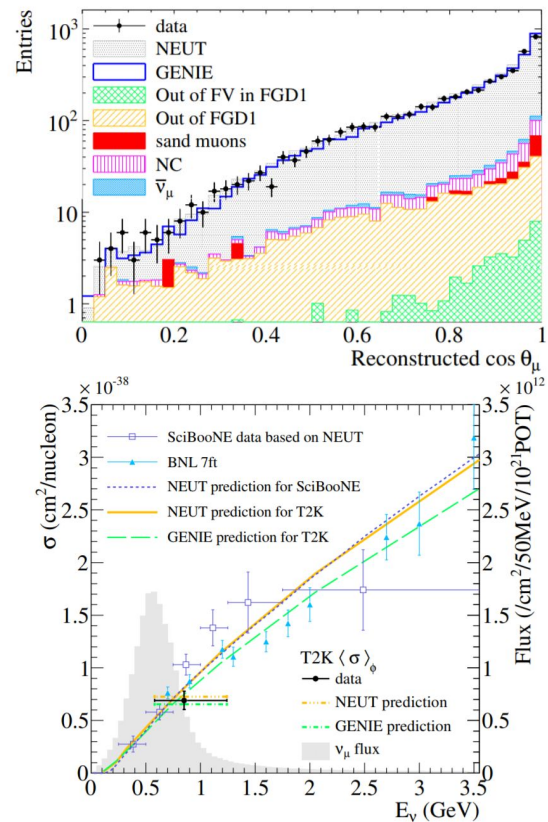
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# Hidden Model Biases 2: Stealth mode



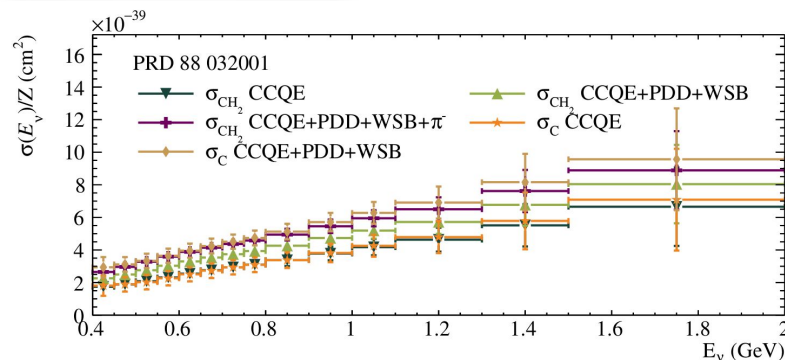
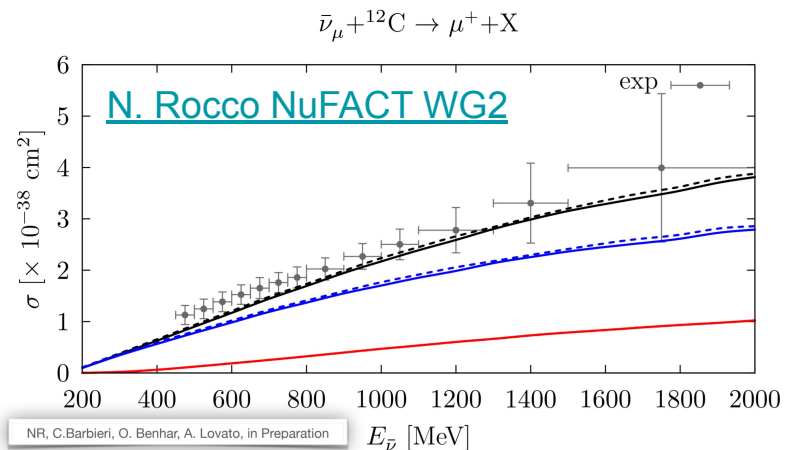
- It isn't always so clear: e.g. ND280 CCIncl
  - Practically cannot measure  $\cos(\theta_\mu) < 0$ .
  - But, publish total cross-section.
- Similar out-of-acceptance corrections in many recent measurements: *Fiducial* cross-sections are much preferred!





# Experimental Signal Definitions

- Not always fully clear from the publication:
  - Getting this correct is essential for interpreting the data.
- e.g. MiniBooNE CCQE C12 data, subtracts:
  - Wrong-sign background CH2.08 component
  - H2.08 component
  - non-QE component (PDD)
  - Mis-ID'd  $\pi^-$
- All predicted by NUANCE...
- But, the background subtractions are provided:
  - Might be better to produce H and  $\nu$ -C12 predictions and compare to the less-corrected data.



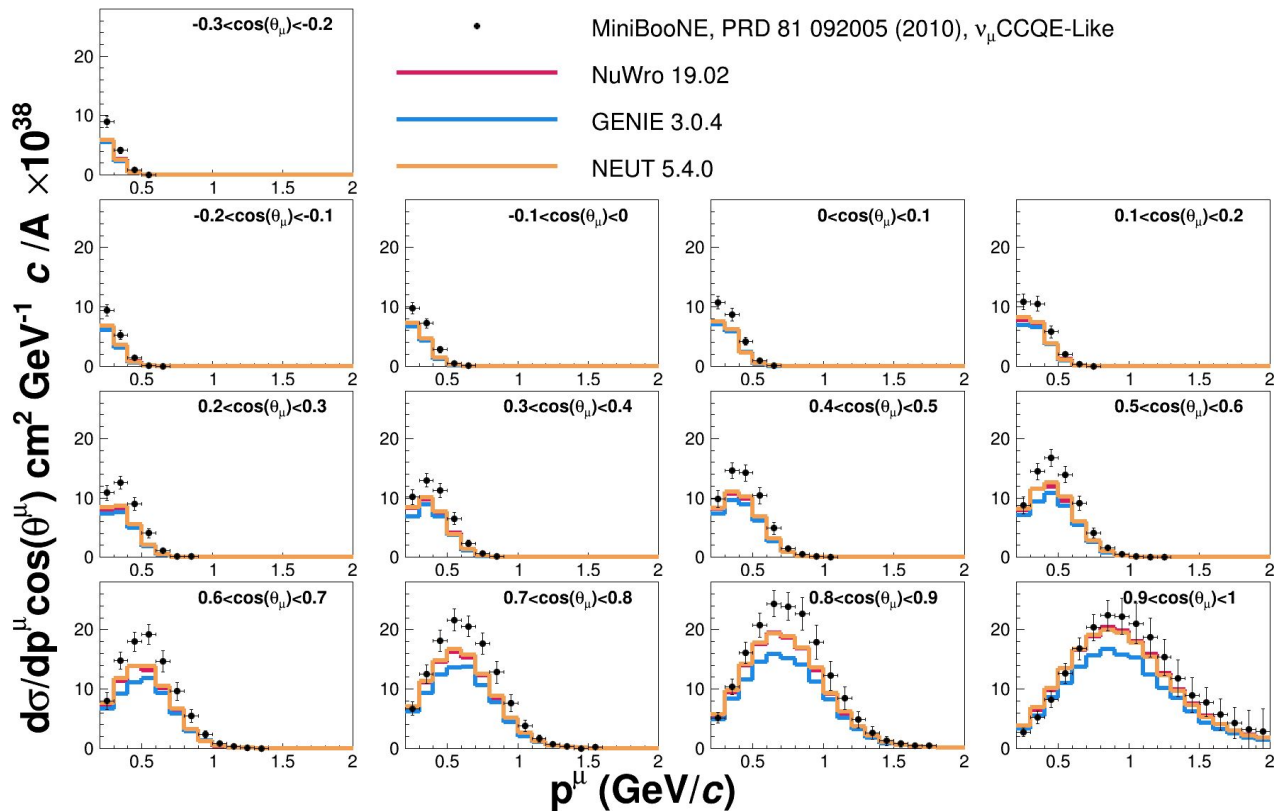
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# MiniBooNE CCQE-Like

- Not possible to calculate useful GOF, so I'm not going to attempt to...
- The data here is the 'less corrected' CCQE-like data:
  - No pionless delta decay subtraction (subset of MEC diagrams).



# Data In NUISANCE

## Bubble Chamber:

**ANL:** 7 selections, 56 projections

**BEBC:** 6 sel. nu+nubar, 11 proj.

**BNL:** 4 sel., 15 proj.

**FNAL:** 3 sel., nu+nubar, 5 proj.

**Gargamelle:** 1 sel., 1 proj.

## Nuclear:

**C:**

**MINERvA:** 3 sel., 6 proj.

**CH:**

**T2K:** 9 sel. 24 proj.

**MINERvA:** 10 sel., nu+nubar, 106 proj.

**SciBooNE:** 1 sel. 16 proj.

**CH<sub>2</sub>:**

**MiniBooNE:** 5 sel., 33 proj.

## Nuclear:

**H<sub>2</sub>O:**

**K2K:** 1 sel., 1 proj.

**T2K:** 1 sel. 7proj.

**Ar:**

**ArgoNeuT:** 3 sel., nu+nubar, 12 proj.

**MicroBooNE:** 1 sel. 1 proj.

**Fe:**

**MINERvA:** 3 sel., 6 proj.

**Pb:**

**MINERvA:** 3 sel., 6 proj.

## Electron Scattering:

**Virginia QE Archive**