

### NUISANCE and you

NeUtrino Interaction Systematics ANalyser by Comparing Experiments NeUtrino Interaction Synthesiser Aggregating Constraints from Experiments NeUtrino Interaction Systematics from A-Neutrino sCattering Experiments

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#### Introduction

• Precision neutrino oscillation measurements require well modelled neutrino interaction:  $E_v^{rec} \rightarrow E_v^{true}$  mapping

$$N_{SK} \sim \Phi_{SK} \left( E_{\nu} \right) \sigma \left( E_{\nu} \right) \epsilon_{SK} P(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta})$$

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- Well modelled cross-section at near detector with E<sub>v</sub> ~ 1 GeV? But what about
  - Far detector with oscillated  $E_v$
  - Different acceptance at far detector
  - Possibly different target materials
- Calorimetric reconstruction requires accounting for neutral particles
  - Effect partially informed from crosssection simulations





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- In an experiment, event selection is done by topology
  - e.g. CCO $\pi$  selection has contributions from 2p2h, SPP, FSI
- The experiment requires a "full theory" in the generators
  - e.g. how does sophisticated FSI model "play" with simple Rein-Sehgal SPP
- Difficult to assign Data/MC disagreement to a particular interaction model from only one data-set, especially if only doing so "by-eye"

- Identified a need for large custom Data/MC comparisons
  - Started with NEUT, grew to support GENIE, NuWro and GiBUU











#### Using NUISANCE

- Have over 200 neutrino dataset for multigenerator cross-section comparisons, tuning and systematics studies
- hepforge, trac wiki, Slack channel, Github, mailing list
- MSc+early PhD student friendly
  - Model interpretation is the tricky bit, making the plot is easy!
- Large stand-alone repository for the data distributions
  - Working with Durham IPPP (HEPdata) on extending their database
- Unsure on a signal definition for an experiment? We've got them too
- Can't find the flux for an experiment? We have a long monologue on fluxes for all implemented experiments





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#### How can NUISANCE help you?

- Challenge the systematics in your analysis
  - Vary 1 $\sigma$  of  $M_A^{QE}$ : what does that mean for external data?
  - Dominated by an interaction which you don't have a sideband?
    Get informed from external data? Are the generators even close?
- What do previous measurements say about your final state?
  - Tensions? Interesting distributions? Where do the models differ?
  - Which theory/generator looks best for your measurement?







#### Implementing a new sample

- To implement a new sample we need
  - The data distribution (e.g.  $d\sigma/dp_{\mu}$ )
  - Method to construct a test-statistic (e.g. covariance matrix)
  - Neutrino flux distribution to generate events
  - Well-defined dependent variable (e.g.  $p_{\mu}$ )
  - Well-defined signal definition (e.g. one  $\mu^{\pm}$ , no mesons, any nucleons)
- Measurements inherit from a MeasurementBase base class
- Measurements are entirely separated from the generators
  - Implement measurement once, then can use all the generators
  - All functionality enabled: compare, fit, make error bands
  - Does not require generator experts to create, modify or use measurements







#### NUISANCE uses at T2K

- Stephen Dolan's CCOπ transverse variable analysis was designed to be sensitive to nuclear effects
  - Implemented his measurement into NUISANCE
  - Compare results to multiple generators using different models



- Free to try whatever Franken-model possible to explain the data
- Now possible for anyone to use
- Also ensures data release is robust before publication stage





#### NUISANCE uses at T2K

- Pierre Lasorak's NC1y limit has a large NC1 $\pi^{o}$  background with difficult side-band
- Developed cross-section parameterisation to allow for better shape change, driven by MiniBooNE NC1 $\pi^{0}$  data



- Compared and fit effective parameters to the data set
- Similar studies by Dave Hadley for T2K NCO $\pi$  using MiniBooNE NCQE measurement

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# Minoo Kabirnezhad and I have been evaluating her SPP model implementation in NEUT



- Evaluating impact of model selection on external data and internal T2K data
- Parameter tuning to nucleon data
- How does NEUT's initial state and FSI get along with her model

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#### NUISANCE uses at T2K

- Can also use for fake-data studies
- MINERvA CC-inclusive data indicates the NEUT prediction is missing ingredients in mid-E<sub>avail</sub>  $E_{av} = \sum_{i=n,\pi^{\pm}} T_i^{\kappa} + \sum_{i=\pi^0,e,\gamma} E_i$
- Is the difference from CCQE? From 2p2h? From CC1 $\pi$ ?



- Assign the difference in data and MC to various interaction modes
  - External data-driven MC correction to interaction model
- Investigate the effect of such correction on oscillation parameters and how it may bias  $E_{\nu}$  reconstruction

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#### Other bonus T2K uses

- Luke and Patrick developed and tested NuWro ReWeight for CCQE and SPP interactions
- Similar models to NEUT for free nucleon CCQE and SPP in the W < 1.4 GeV regime: expect similar results







## Long-term fit goal Large ensemble of data available in NUISANCE

- Blindly fitting all parameters tells us little about physics
  - Very likely to end up with a Frankenmodel, e.g. unnaturally high  $M_{A}^{QE}$ ,  $C_{\Delta}^{5}(O)$  far from ~1.2...
  - Not necessarily statistically correct because of missing covariances, leading to a poor test-statistic



Instead develop a step-by-step tune using priors from earlier **NUISANCE** fits





#### Long-term fit goal

- First fit to exclusive bubble chamber data
  - Constrain the fundamental interaction without nuclear effects
- Include exclusive data from nuclear target (e.g. CCO $\pi$ , CC1 $\pi$ <sup>+</sup>)
  - Use priors from BC fit, include the relevant nuclear parameters
- Include inclusive data from nuclear targets (e.g. E<sub>avail</sub>)
  - Use priors from earlier fit(s)



• All whilst checking for dataset compatibilities and possible tensions





#### Bonus: NUISANCE for everyone!

- NUISANCE Tutorial at T2K Pre-NuInt workshop
  - A pre-compiled virtual box which you can "just run"
  - Includes the generators, ROOT and NUISANCE
  - Pre-generated MC provided; can also generate your own
- Patrick is giving a tutorial at NuSTEC Fermilab later this year
- Chat to us if you're interested in joining and/or using!



#### Future projects

- Attempt multiple generator fits and comparisons
  - Requires the knowledge of generator and theory experts
- Agree on "HepMC"-like format from theorists
  - Produce outgoing particles by e.g. accept-reject method(s)
  - Compile these stacks into a common format; compare to generators
- Electron scattering interface for GENIE, eWro, GiBUU
  - Vishvas Pandey (Virginia Tech, formerly Ghent) has joined in and is collecting theory predictions
  - Hoping for a large Data/MC/theory collection
- Pion and photon scattering interfaces are being discussed to
- Accessible website for fast Data/MC comparisons
  - Publish nominal predictions of generator A, B, C with models X, Y, Z

#### Lessons from handling neutrino data

Have handled a lot of neutrino data with varying degrees of success



- Publish and test your final covariance matrices
  - Statisticians consider <u>data without covariances to be incomplete</u>
  - Bob Cousins, Louis Lyons (CMS), Pumplin, Stump (CTEQ/CT10) recommended simply excluding these "useless measurements"
  - If you want maximum juice from your measurement, consider
    <u>distribution-to-distribution correlations</u>
- Signal definition needs to be reproducible in raw MC (truth)
- Don't correct for blind detector regions. Data is pure, data is sacred

#### Conclusions

- NUISANCE is a large open source neutrino cross-section comparison framework
- Supports simple Data/MC comparisons, systematics evaluations parameter fitting
- Developed from efforts at T2K in selecting default interaction models and parameter constraints without using T2K data
- NEUT, GENIE, NuWro and GiBUU support
  - Additionally links to reweighting libraries
- Can inform the cross-section analyser of model "goodness", previous measurements, error coverage, multi-generator predictions...
- Lots of plans in the near future
- Could certainly use non-T2K people: we welcome any collaboration



