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(G*) Antineutrino Charged Current Cross Sections at MINERvA

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This analysis will make a measurement of the inclusive charged current anti-neutrino cross section on hydrocarbon as a function of muon kinematics. This measurement is being made with an unprecedented 1.8 million data events which have been recorded in the MINERvA detector [1]. The goal of the MINERvA experiment is to make high precision cross section measurements on various nuclei. There were 10.7 × 10²0 protons on target in the NuMI beamline [2] yielding a beam of anti-neutrinos with an energy peaking at 6 GeV. A very well constrained flux prediction developed using neutrino-electron elastic scattering and inverse muon decay has been employed to constrain the uncertainty on the anti-neutrino flux. Both single and double differential cross sections in muon transverse and longitudinal momentum are reported. Motivation for making a measurement in these variables stems from great detector resolution for muon kinematics. The cross-section measurements made by the MINERvA experiment will constrain the models that feed into the next generation of experiments which are neutrino oscillation experiments.

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