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on Frontiers in
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of Leptons and Hadrons*

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π -NUCLEUS SCATTERING
CROSS SECTIONS
THE DUET EXPERIMENT



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❖ Why measure π -Nucleus (π -A) scattering cross sections?

- ...in the 21st century?

❖ How are these interactions modeled and simulated?

- Oset et al model
- Intra-nuclear Cascade models

❖ The DUET Experiment (π^+ - ^{12}C scattering)

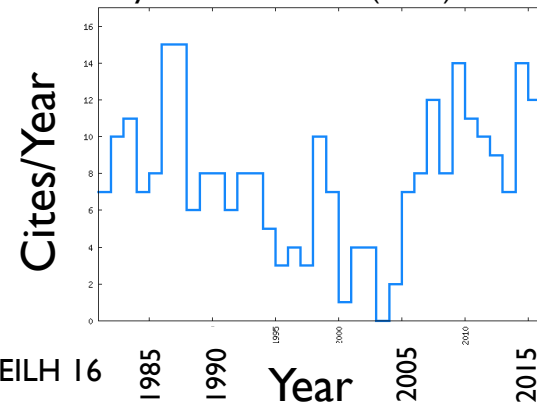
1. arXiv:1506.07783: Phys. Rev. C 92, 035205
2. New analysis to be submitted soon

π -A as a Probe of Nuclear Structure

- ❖ Strong interactions are governed by QCD
 - Structure of atomic nuclei and constituents nucleons are fully described by interactions of quarks and gluons
- ❖ Color confinement suggests that interactions between nucleons can be described by colorless particles
 - Effective theories based on interactions of nucleons and mesons can be constructed to describe nuclear structure

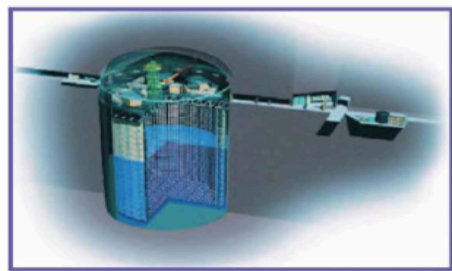
- ❖ Many papers around the 1980's
 - Both theory and experiment
 - Resurgence in late 2000's
 - Accelerator ν experiments!
 - T2K, NoVA, MiniBoone, Minerva, etc.

True Absorption and Scattering of Pions on Nuclei
Ashery, D. et al. PRC 23 (1981) 2173-2185

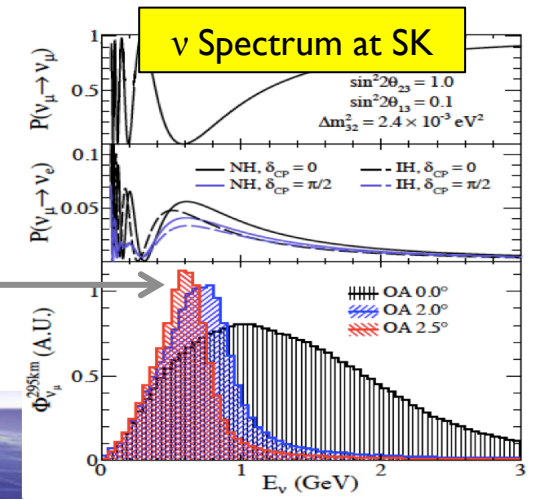
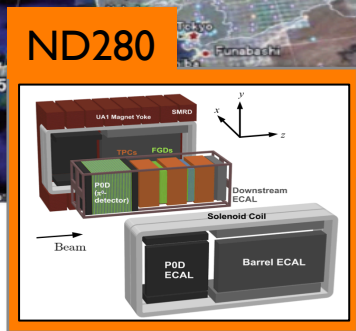


T2K Experiment

- ❖ Tokai-to-Kamioka
- ❖ ν_μ (anti- ν_μ) beam peaked at 0.6 GeV
- ❖ Near detector (ND280) located at 280 m in Tokai
- ❖ Far detector (Super-Kamiokande) at 295 km in Kamioka



Super-Kamiokande (ICRR, Univ. Tokyo)

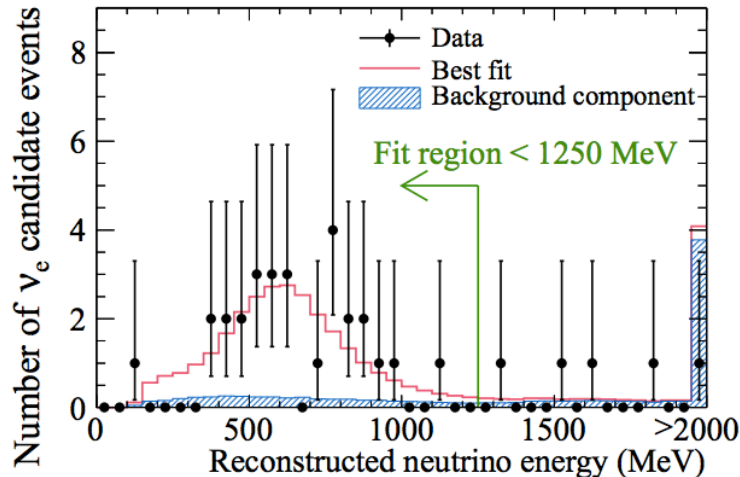


J-PARC Main Ring (KEK-JAEA, Tokai)



T2K: 2015 Breakthrough prize

- ❖ 2011-2013: Observation of ν_e appearance
 - 28 events (4.9 expected) for 7.3σ significance
 - PRL107 (2011) 041801, PRD 88 (2013) 3, 032002, PRL 112 (2014) 061802
- ❖ 2014: Most precise measurement of θ_{23} from ν_μ disappearance:
 - PRL 112 (2014) 18, 181801



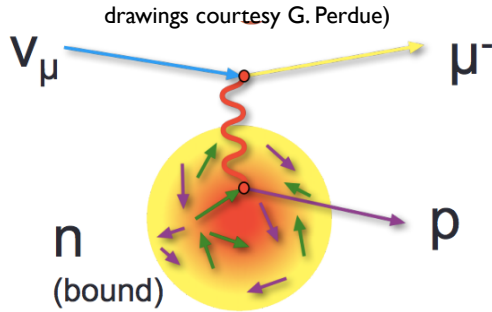
- ❖ As long baseline experiments enter the precision era
 - Understanding and reducing systematic uncertainties becomes even more important

GeV ν Experiments on Nuclear Targets

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- For both oscillation and cross section analyses

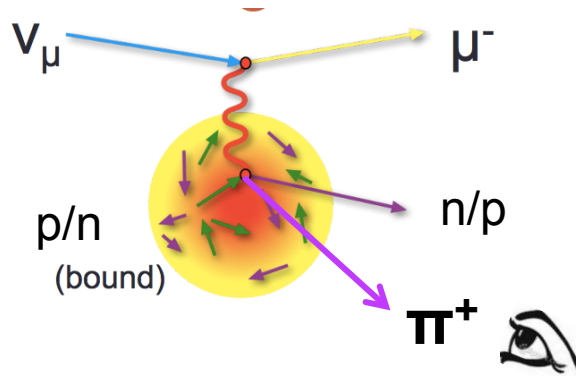
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Golden channel



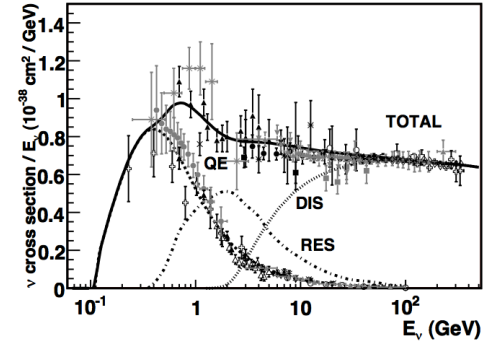
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E_{ν}^{rec} from lepton kinematics

CC π^+ Interaction.
(RES, DIS)



$$E_{\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{2M_N E_{\mu} + M_f^2 - M_N^2 - m_{\mu}^2}{M_N - E_{\mu} + \cos \theta_{\mu} \sqrt{E_{\mu}^2 - m_{\mu}^2}}$$

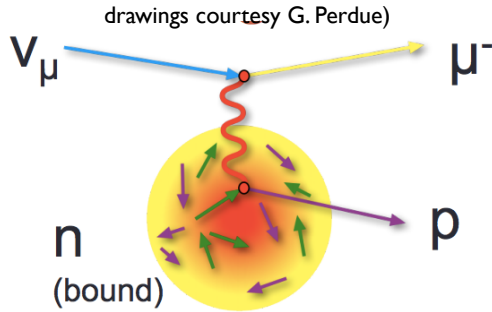


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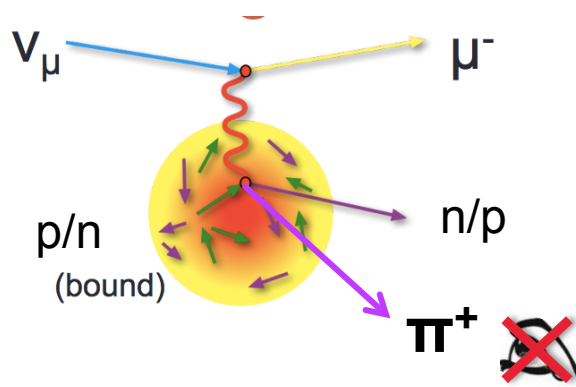
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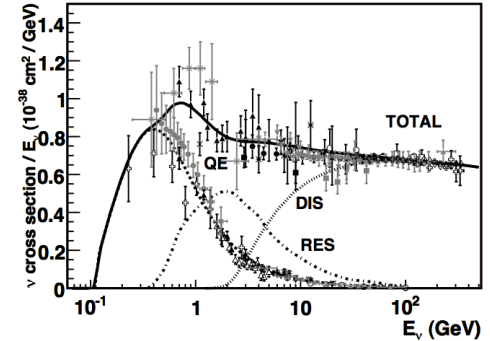
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~~CCQE-like event!~~

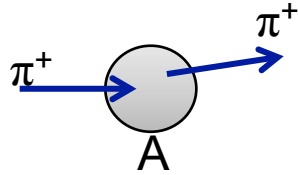


Pions can interact:

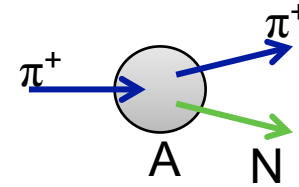
- Inside the nucleus:
Final State Interactions
- Outside the nucleus:
Secondary Interactions

How do these sub-GeV pions interact?

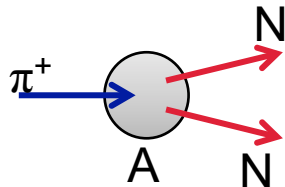
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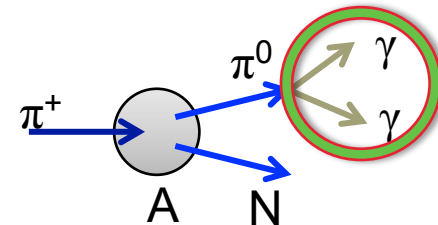
2. Quasi-elastic Scattering



3. Absorption (**ABS**)

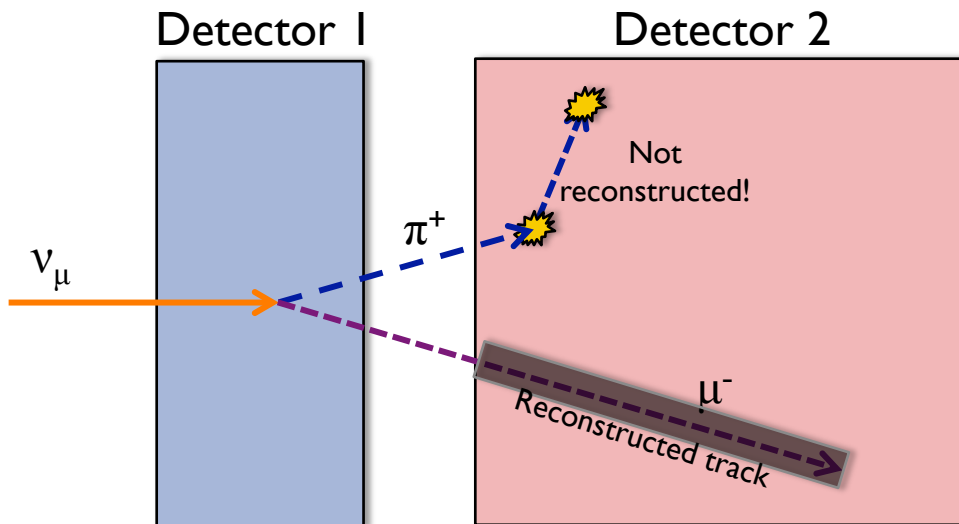


4. Charge Exchange (**CX**)



Secondary Interactions (SI)

- ❖ Interactions outside the nucleus \rightarrow anywhere in the detectors
- ❖ Could mean that the pion is not detected or that it is mis-reconstructed



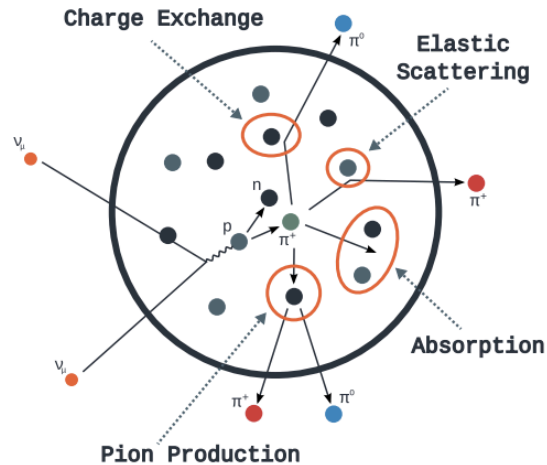
- ❖ **Currently largest systematic for the near detector at T2K!**

- (Mostly due to large mis-modeling of π interactions by Geant4)

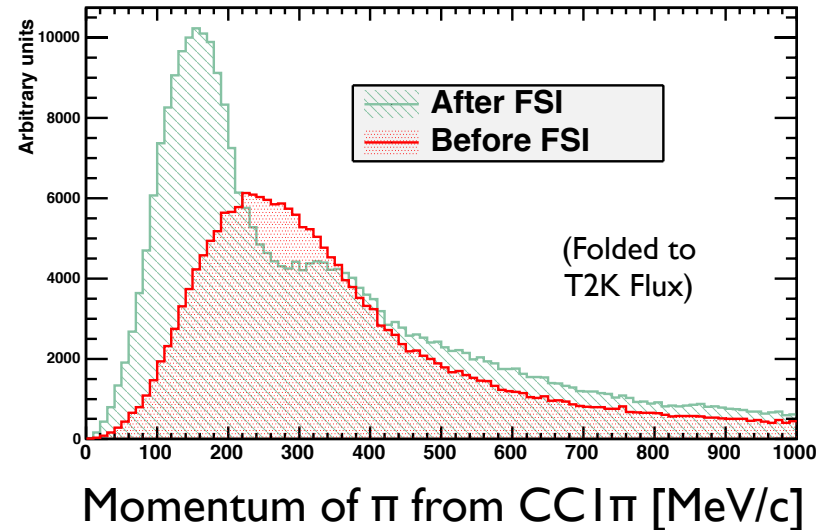
Final State Interactions (FSI)

❖ If the pion interacts inside the nucleus it might not even be able to exit!

- Very hard to isolate from other nuclear effects:
 - Fermi momentum of initial nucleon
 - **Formation zone effects**
 - **Or even the actual CC1 π model kinematic**



Taken from: T. Golan, What is inside MC generators ... and why it is wrong .Talk at NuSTEC 2015, Okayama



Singh, Athar, et al CC1 π model

❖ Extensive work on CCQE, CC1 π modeling at GeV scale

❖ Nuclear medium effects

- Modifications of Δ properties in the medium

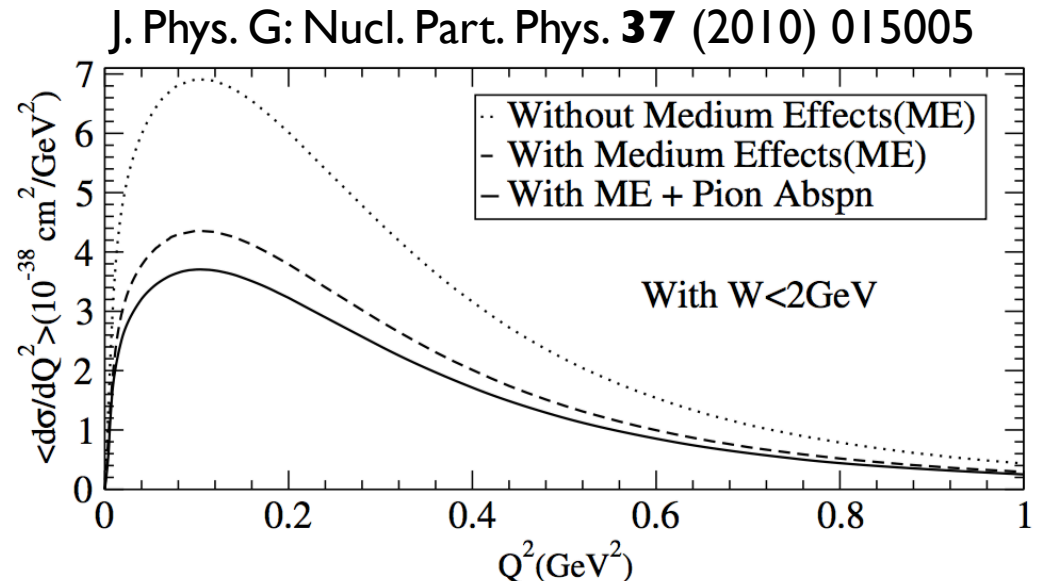
❖ Additional terms:

- Non-resonant backgrounds
- Higher order resonances

❖ Anti- ν induced CC hyperon production

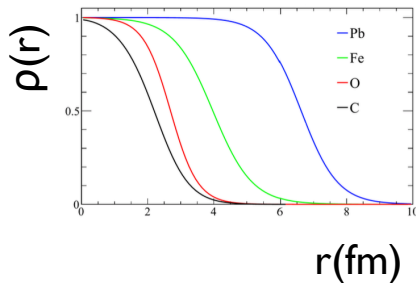
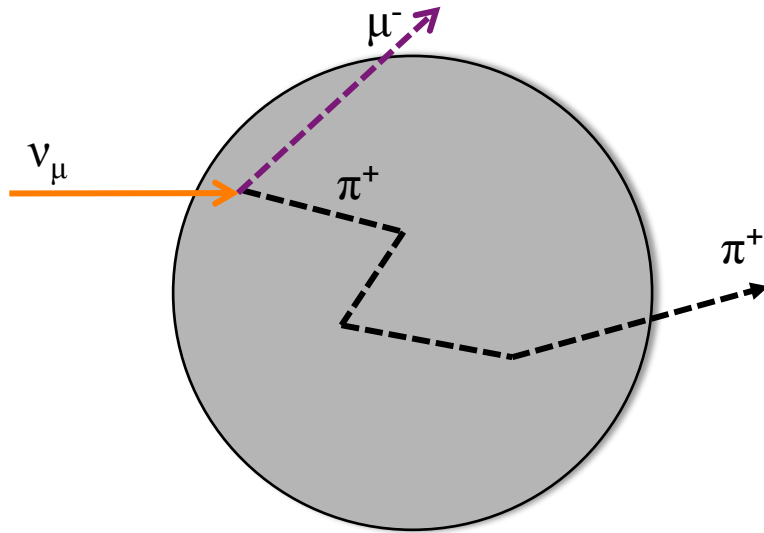
- J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 42 (2015) 055107

❖ Now being implemented in NEUT for T2K



How are FSI/SI simulated?

❖ NEUT, NuWro, GENIE hN, FLUKA, Geant4 use Intra-Nuclear **Cascade Models**



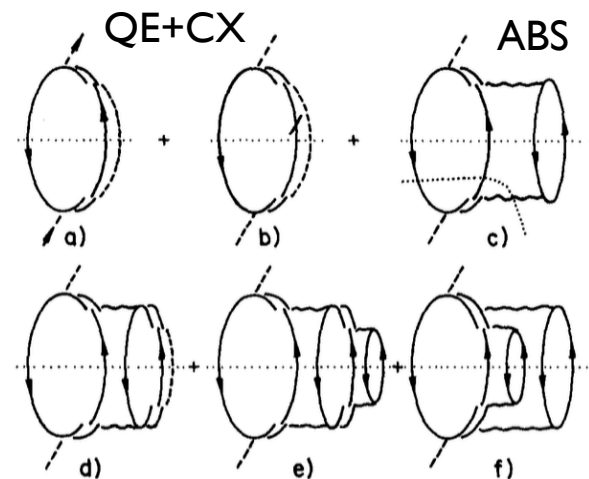
The density is modeled using a Woods-Saxon potential

- Particles assumed to be classical
- At each step within the nuclear radius the mean free path is calculated:
 - $\lambda(r) = [\sigma\rho(r)]^{-1}$
 - Using Monte Carlo method decide if interaction takes place
 - If not, continue to next step!
- Main ingredients are the nuclear density model ($\rho(r)$) and the **microscopic interaction probabilities** (σ)

E. Oset, L.L. Salcedo, et al model

E. Oset, L.L. Salcedo and D. Strottman, Phys. Lett. B165 (1985) 13

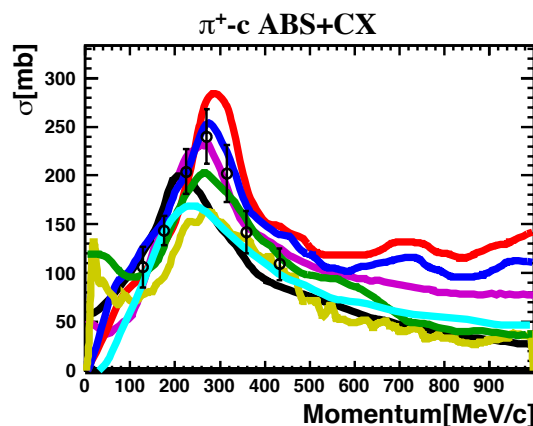
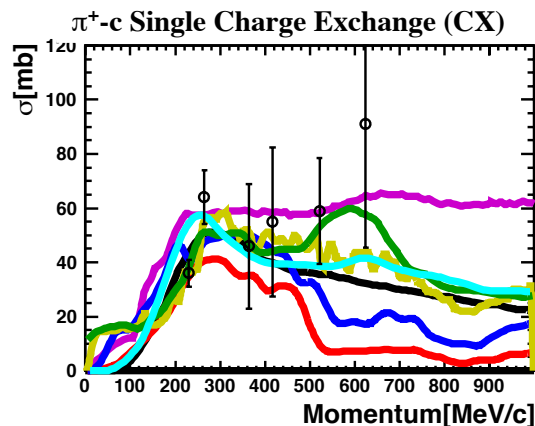
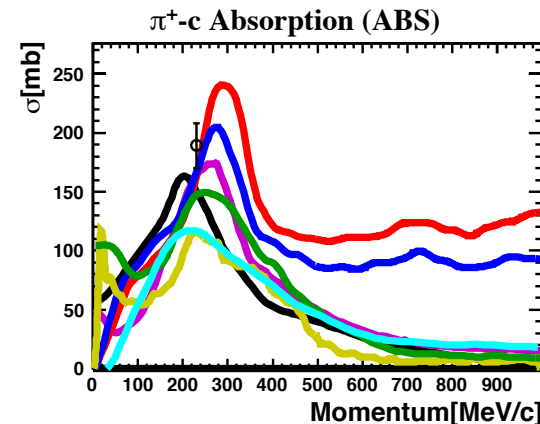
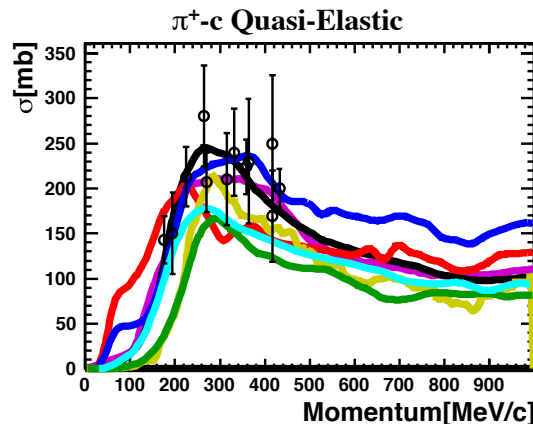
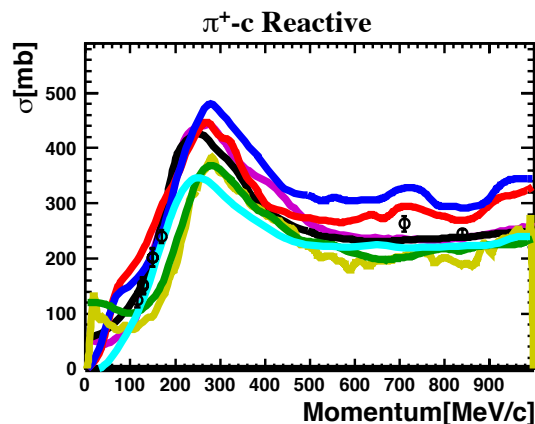
- ❖ Used by NEUT, NuWro and GENIE hN
- ❖ Computational many-body calculation in infinite nuclear matter + local density approximation
- ❖ π -A scattering is represented as a wave in a complex optical potential
 - The individual channel contributions (Elastic, QE, ABS etc.) are obtained from separating the real and complex parts of the potential and calculating the corresponding Feynman diagrams



Diagrams contributing to π -A optical potential

Many cascades...

❖ Large uncertainties and scarce data → Need more data!!!



Cascade Models	
NEUT	Purple
Geant4 Bertini	Black
GENIE hA	Red
GENIE hA2014	Blue
GENIE hN2015	Yellow
NuWro	Green
FLUKA	Cyan

THE DUET

EXPERIMENT @ TRIUMF

(Canada's national laboratory for
nuclear and particle physics)

MEASURE π^+ ABSORPTION CROSS SECTION WITH $\sim 10\%$
ACCURACY AND CHARGE EXCHANGE WITH $\sim 20\%$ ACCURACY

- ❖ A subset of members of the T2K experiment from Japanese and North American institutions

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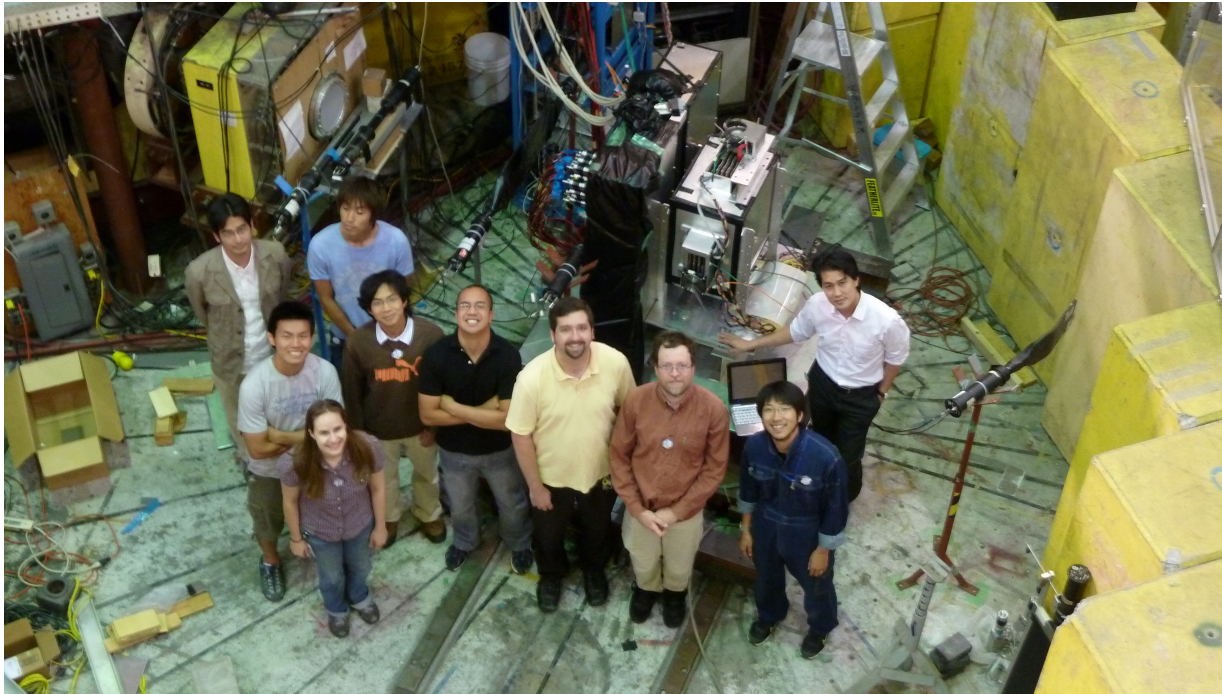
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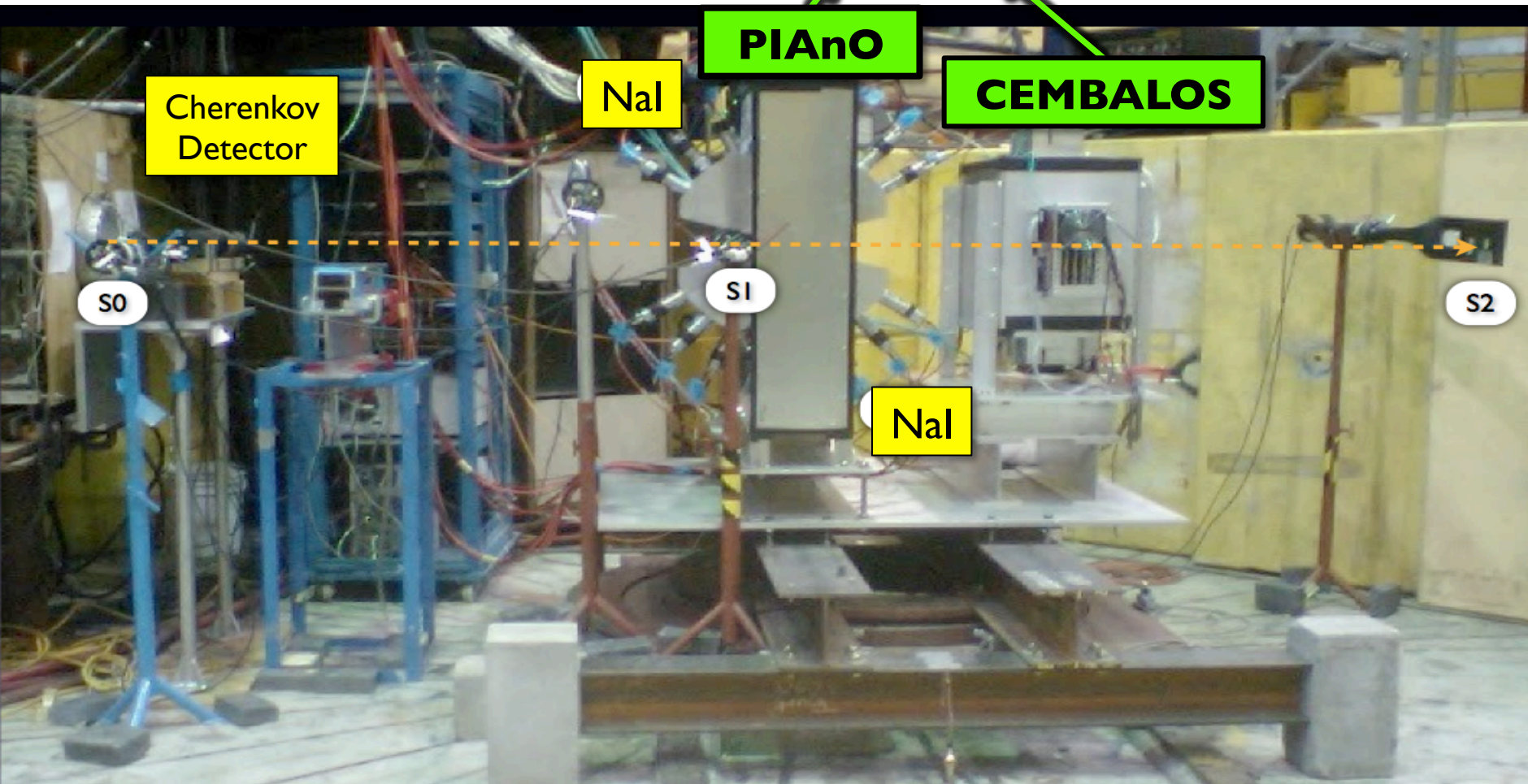
Data taking

- ❖ Data taken in summers of 2010~2012
- ❖ ~1 million π^+ triggers for each momentum setting



Elder Pinzon (York U.) – EILH 16

Detector setup:



Detector setup: DUET

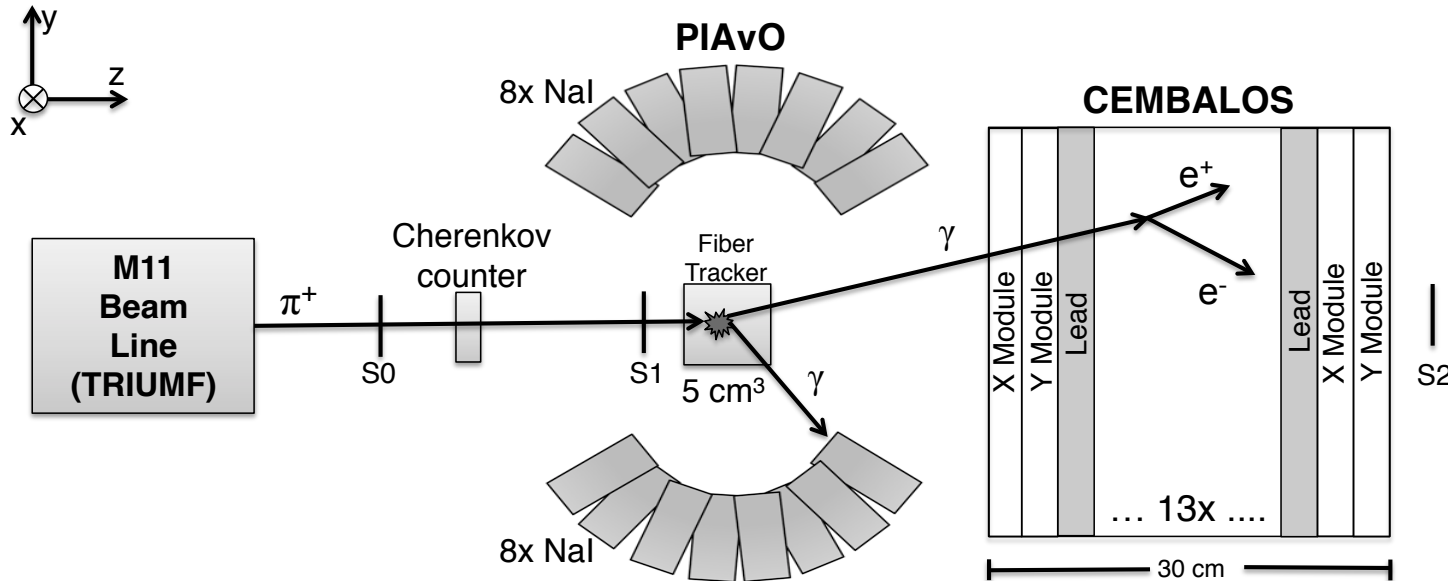
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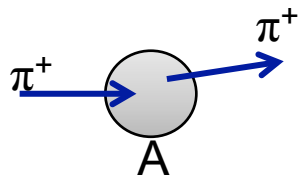


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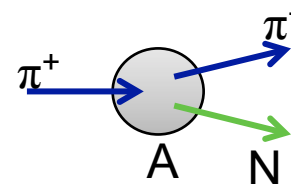


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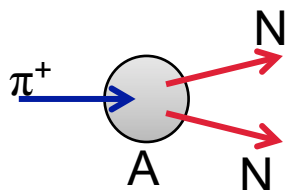
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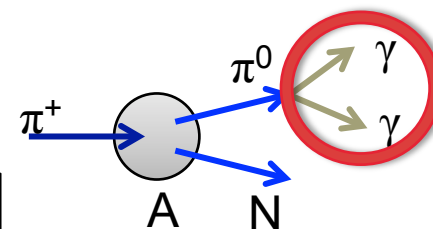
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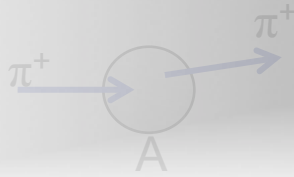


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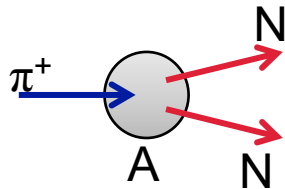


Reject π^+ in final state

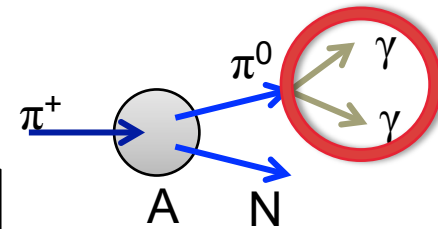
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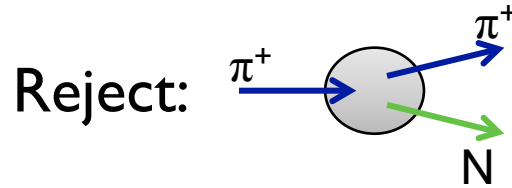
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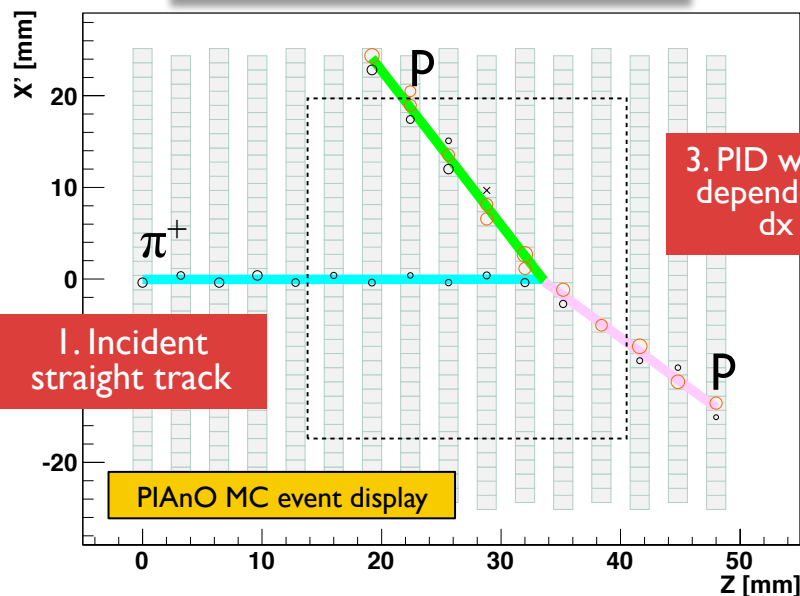
Combined ABS+CX selection using PIA_nO



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Event Selection: No π^+ in final state

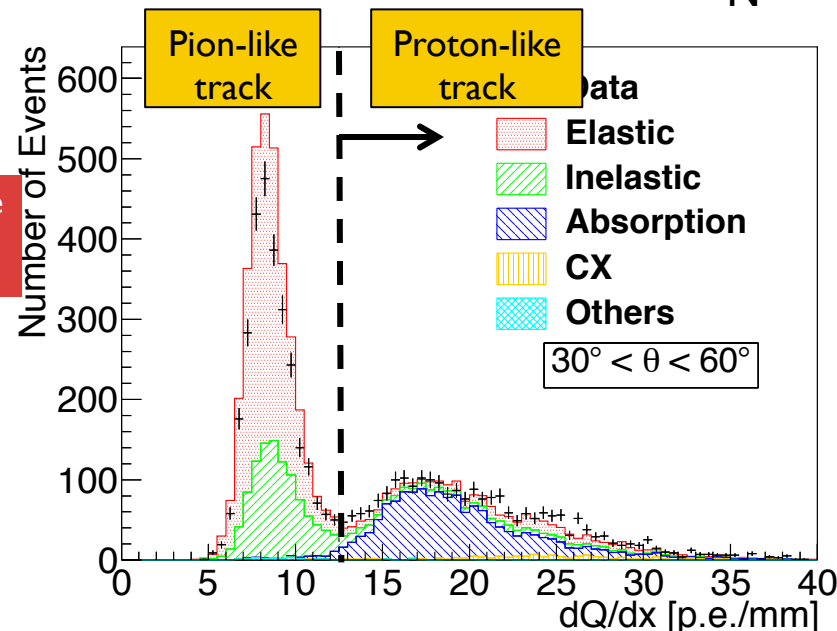
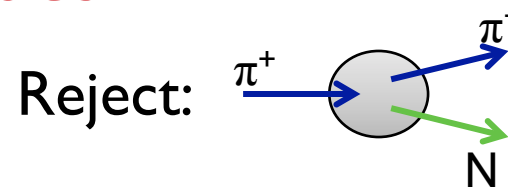
2. Vertex inside PIAAnO's Fiducial Volume



1. Incident straight track

3. PID with angle dependent dQ/dx cut

Sample π^+ ABS interaction in PIAAnO



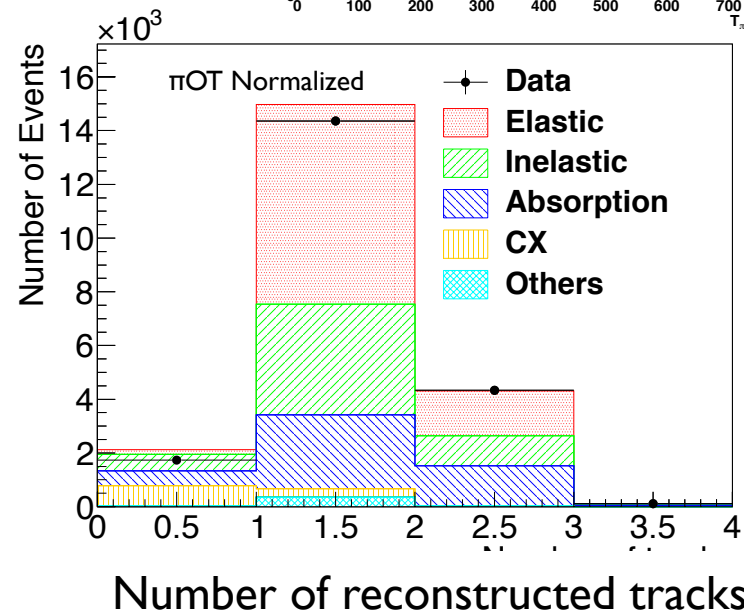
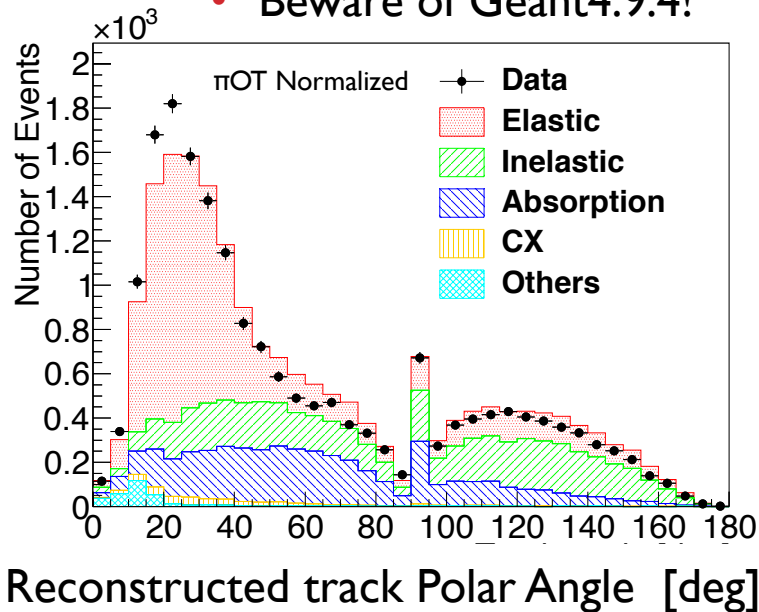
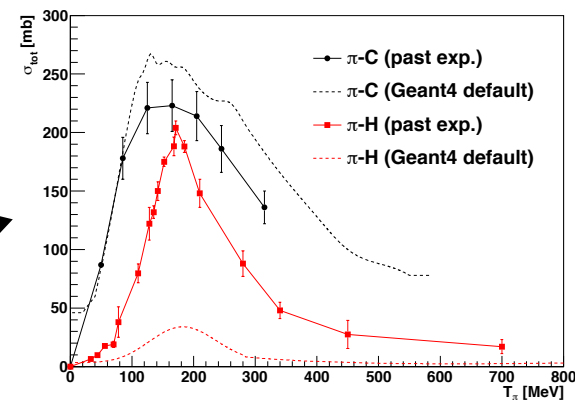
Example of dQ/dx distribution

Event Selection: Data vs. MC comparisons

❖ Good agreement of distributions before applying the “no π^+ in final state” cut:

- Large Geant4 mis-modeling of ^1H and ^{12}C elastic interactions

• Beware of Geant4.9.4!

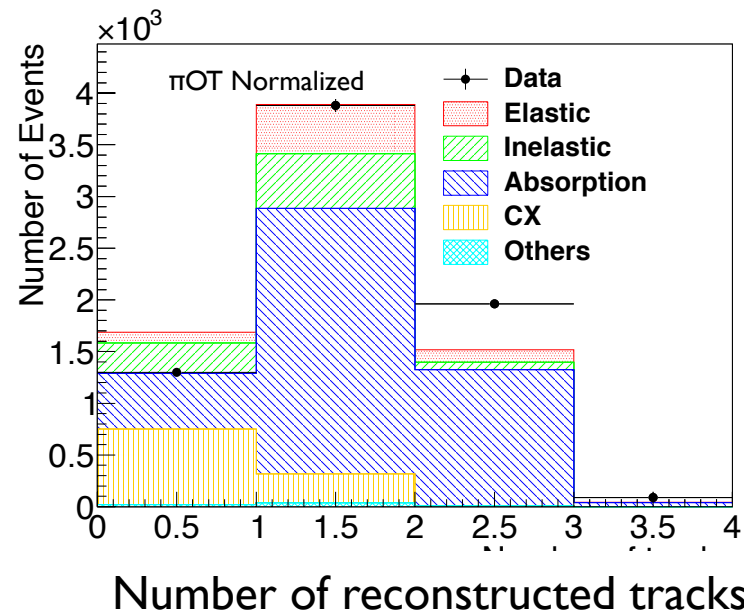
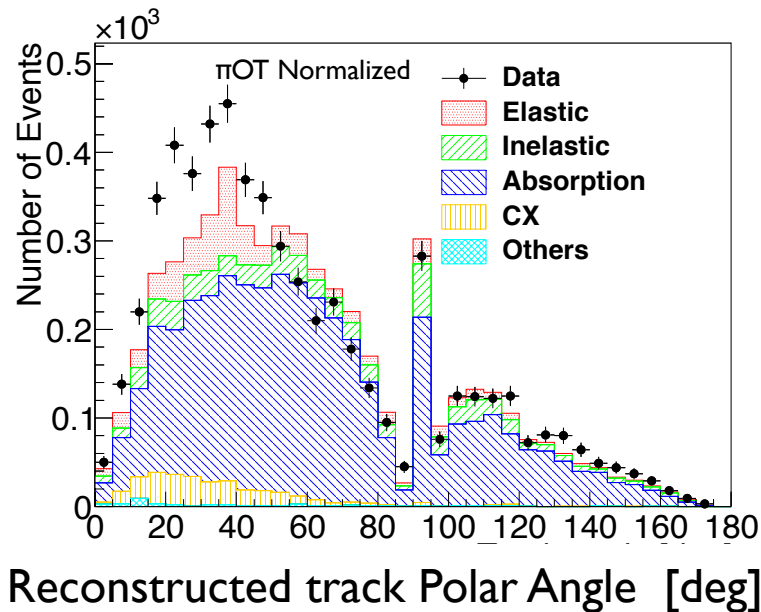


Reconstructed track Polar Angle [deg]

Number of reconstructed tracks

Event Selection: Data vs. MC comparisons

- ❖ For 238MeV/c π^+ data set, the efficiency is 79.8% and the purity is 76.8%.
- ❖ ~7000 events selected on each momentum data set after all cuts are applied.

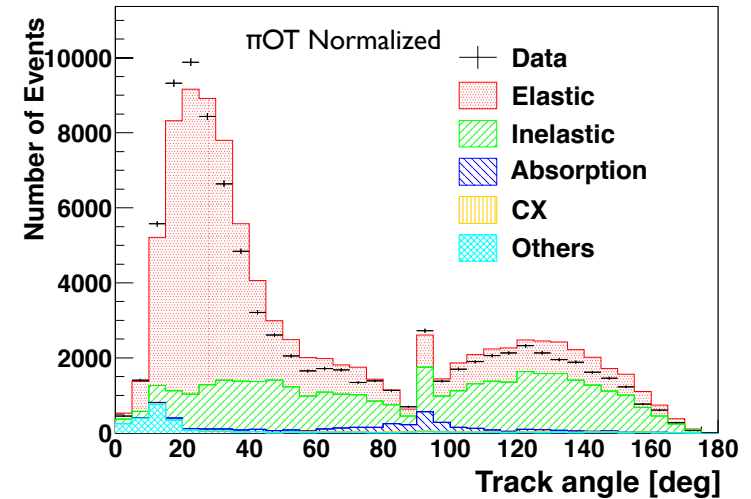


Uncertainties

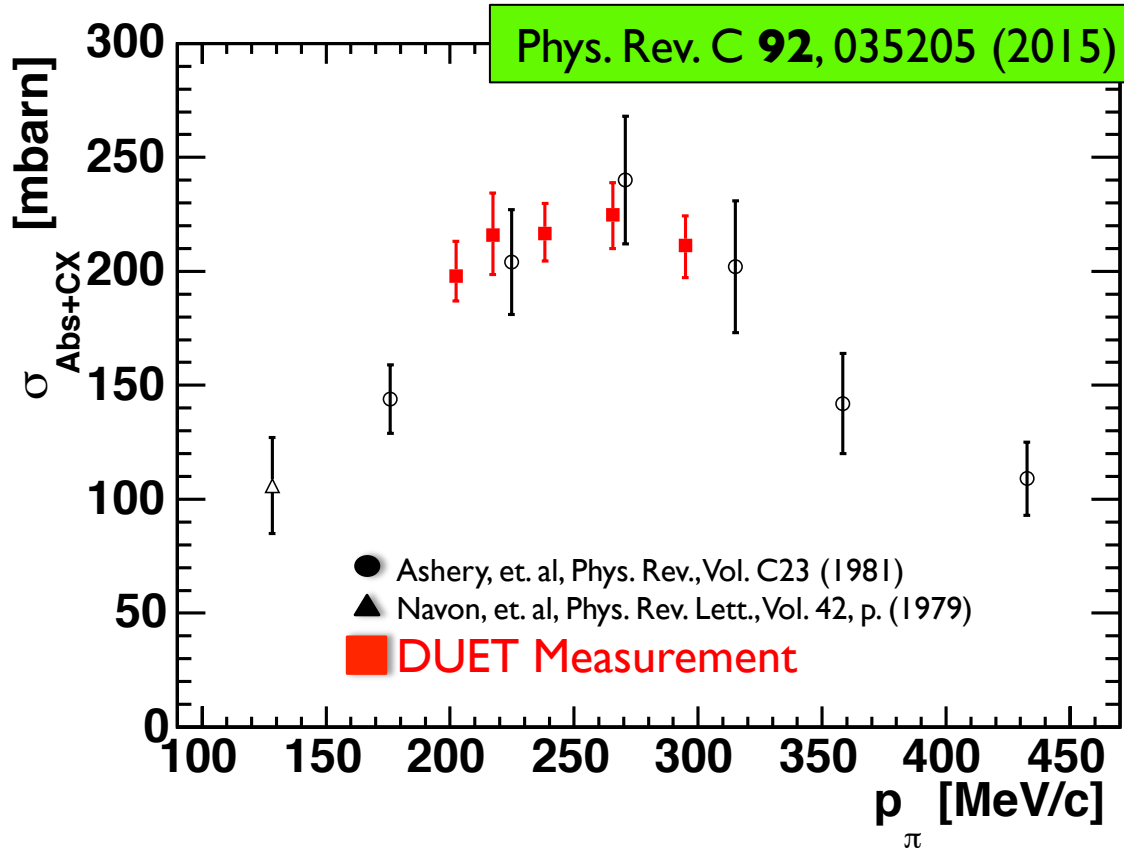
	p_π at the fiber tracker [MeV/c]				
	201.6	216.6	237.2	265.5	295.1
Systematic errors					
Beam profile	0.9	1.2	1.0	0.6	1.2
Beam momentum	1.6	1.7	0.7	0.8	1.4
Fiducial Volume	1.1	3.9	1.4	1.2	1.3
Charge distribution	2.4	2.2	2.6	2.6	2.9
Crosstalk probability	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4
Layer alignment	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.0	1.4
Hit efficiency	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3
Muon contamination	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.2
Target material	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.0
Physics models (selection efficiency)	2.8	4.9	2.9	4.8	3.7
(background prediction) +	2.8	1.8	2.4	2.3	3.3
-	6.1	3.7	3.6	1.5	1.9
Subtotal +	5.2	7.3	5.2	6.3	6.4
-	7.5	8.0	5.9	6.0	5.8
Statistical error (data)	1.7	3.1	1.7	1.8	1.7
Statistical error (MC)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total +	5.5	8.0	5.5	6.6	6.7
-	7.7	8.6	6.2	6.3	6.1

Dominant systematic error is background estimation.

Error is estimated from Data/MC comparisons of a BG enhanced sample



ABS+CX Cross Section Result

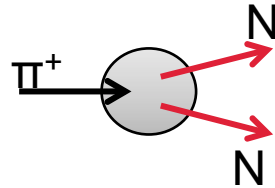


Good agreement and much smaller errors ($\sim 20\% \rightarrow \sim 7\%$)

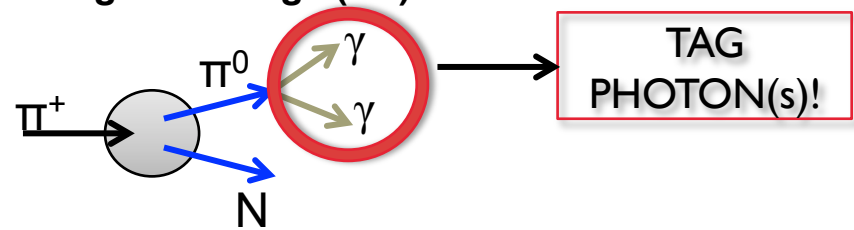
Extracting the CX cross section

REJECT
NUCLEONS

2. Absorption (Abs)



3. Charge Exchange (CX)



Detector setup: DUET

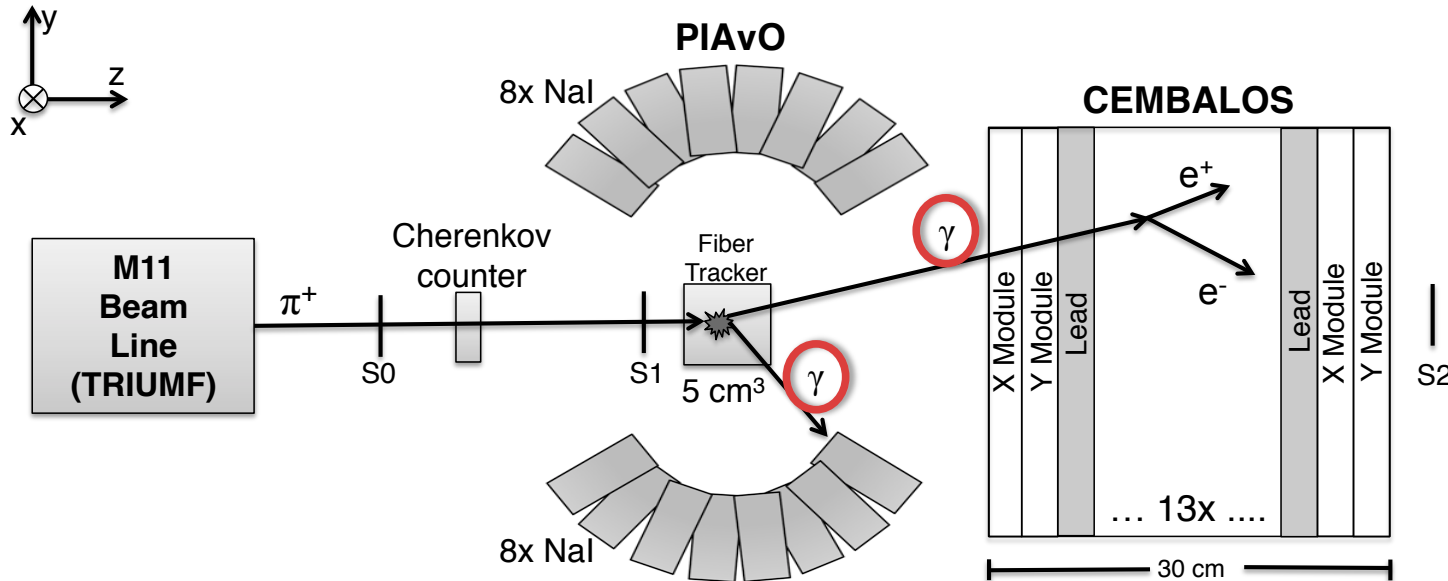
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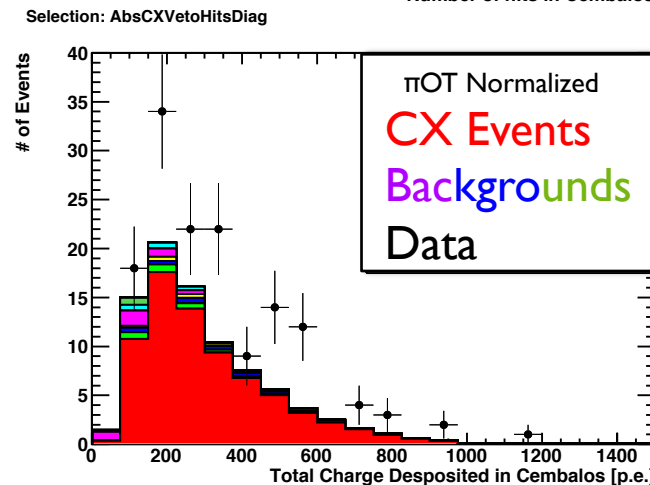
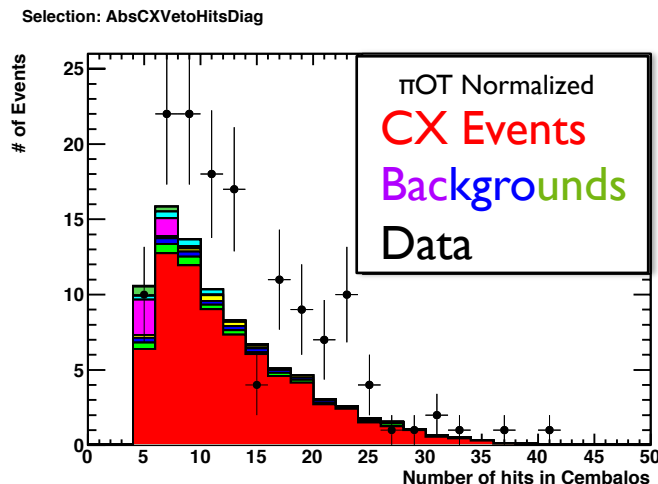
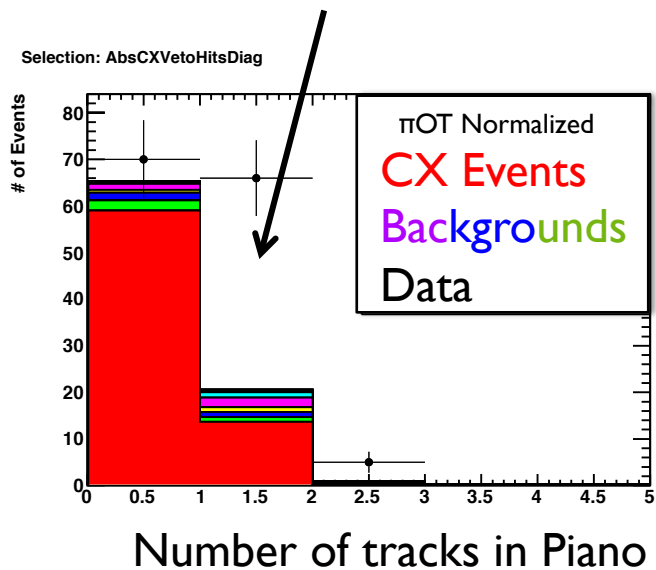


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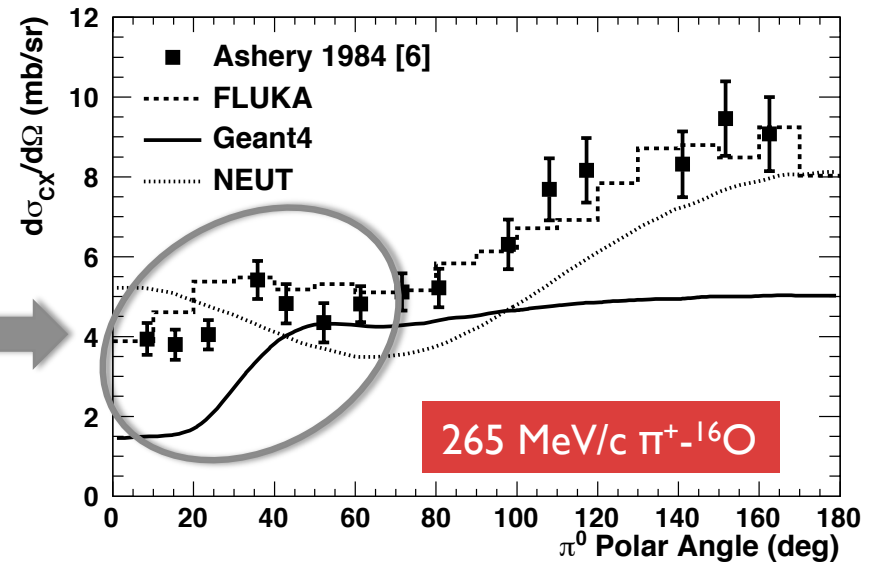
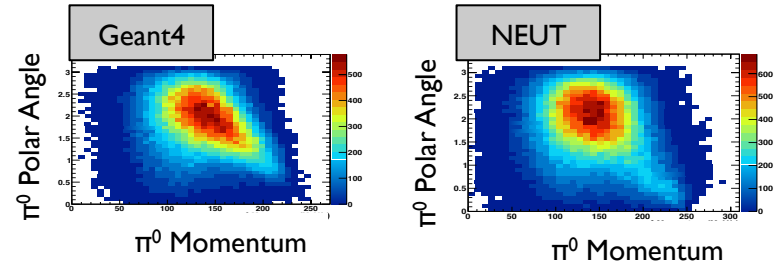
CX Event Selection: Data vs. MC

- ❖ Data event rate clearly higher than Geant4 Monte Carlo
- ❖ Indication of mis-modeling of nucleon ejection multiplicity and/or momentum



CX Modeling

- ❖ The kinematics of the outgoing π^0 is not well known
- ❖ Few differential cross section measurements
 - D.Ashery et al., “Inclusive pion single-charge-exchange reactions,” Phys. Rev. C, 30(3):946 (1984).
- ❖ Discrepancy among models is largest in the forward region, where CEMBALOS is more sensitive
 - In particular Geant4 shows the largest disagreement



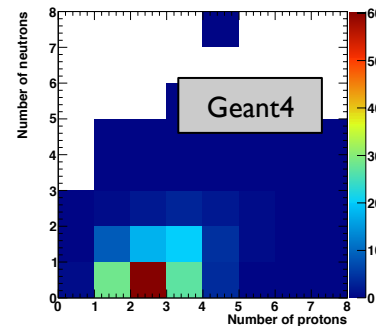
Nucleon ejection (ABS background)

- ❖ Very large difference among models for both:
 - # nucleons ejected
 - Kinematics

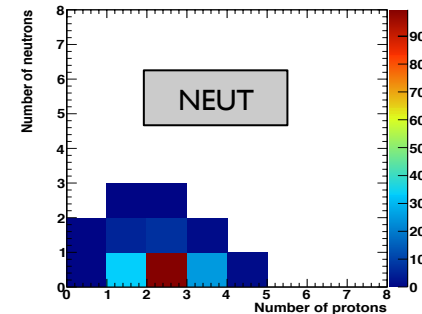
- ❖ NEUT is the only model with some public information on the model:
 - R. Tacik, AIP Conf. Proc. 1405, 229 (2011)
 - Tuned to π -{N,Ar} data

- ❖ High purity of CX selection means this effect is not dominant
 - But it still troubling

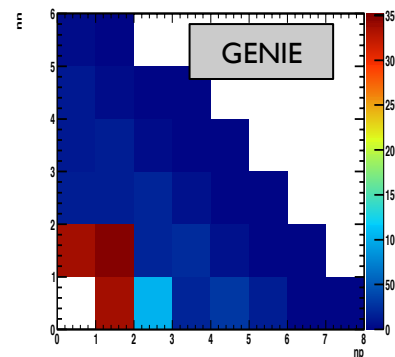
Nucleon Multiplicity GEANT4



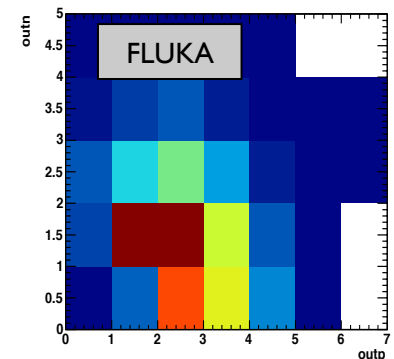
Nucleon Multiplicity NEUT



nn:np (probe_fsi==4 || probe_fsi==5)



Nucleon Multiplicity FLUKA



$\sigma_{\text{CX}}, \sigma_{\text{ABS}}$ Extraction

❖ Formulae for calculation are:

$$\sigma_{\text{CX}} = \sigma_{\text{CX}}^{\text{MC}} \times \frac{N_{\text{Data}} - N_{\text{BG}}^{\text{MC}}}{N_{\text{CX}}^{\text{MC}}} \quad (1)$$

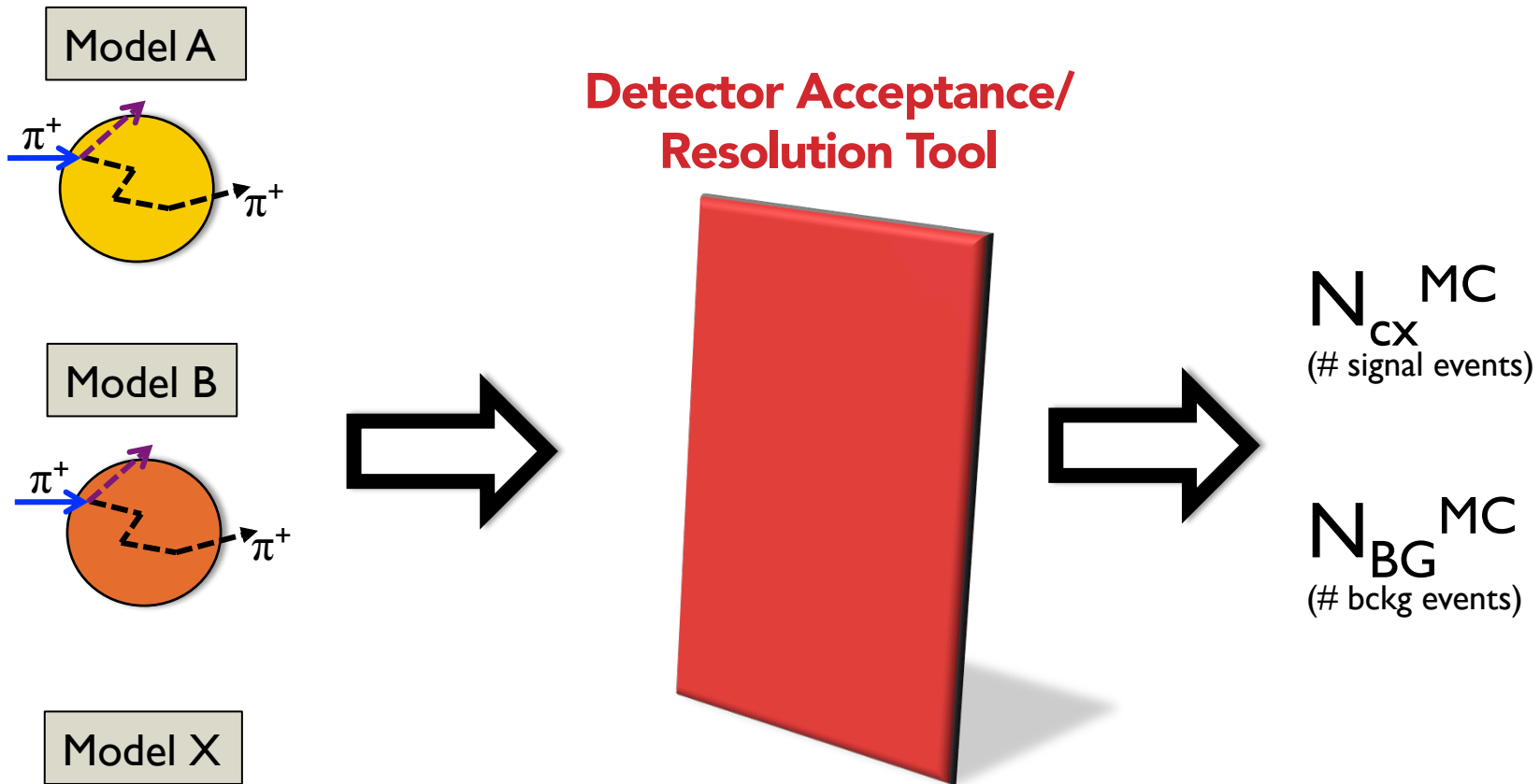
$$\sigma_{\text{ABS}} = \sigma_{\text{ABS}+\text{CX}} - \sigma_{\text{CX}} \quad (2)$$

❖ Want to try out other models:

- For each model estimate:
 1. $N_{\text{CX}}^{\text{MC}}$ (# of signal events)
 2. $N_{\text{BG}}^{\text{MC}}$ (# of background events)

❖ One option is to re-write the simulation using each package

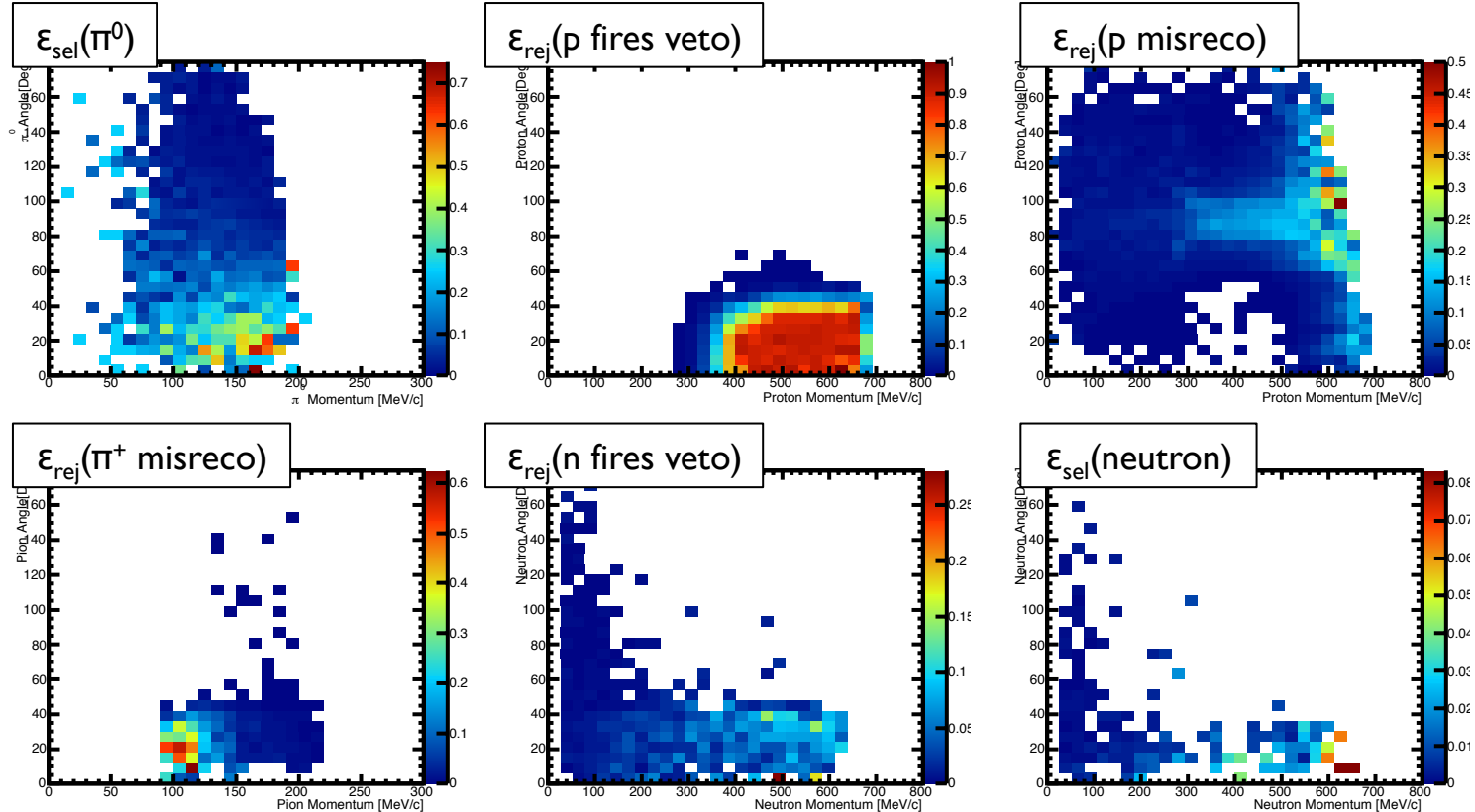
- A more general (reasonable) one is:



Adapted from: M.Wascko, Neutrino Nucleus Cross Section Experiments. Talk presented at PhyStat-Nu 2016

Selection and Rejection Efficiencies

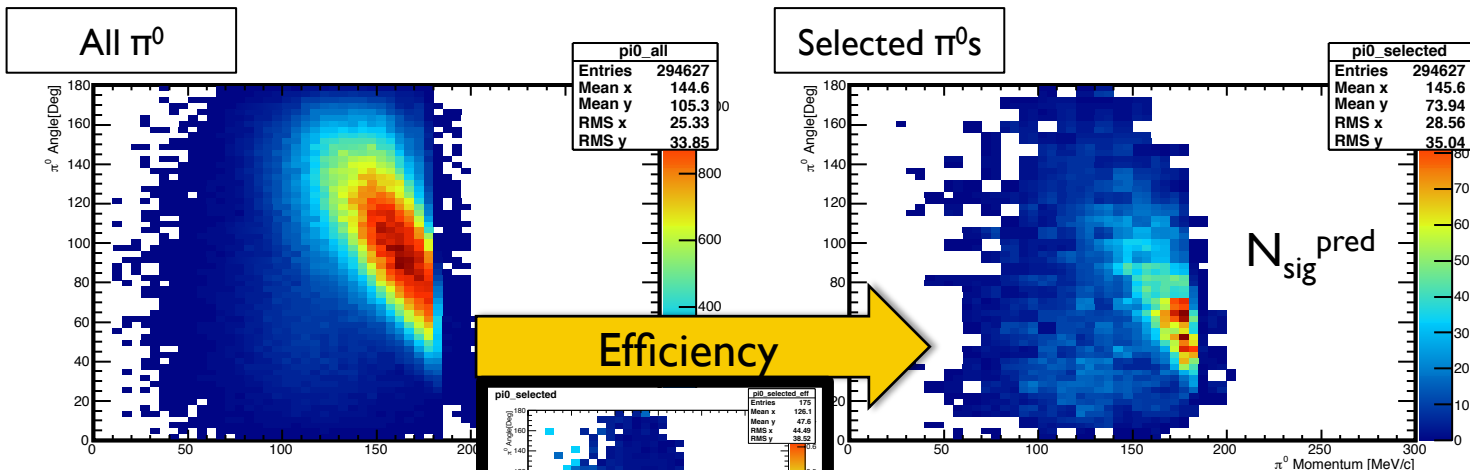
- ❖ Binned in true Momentum and Angle of corresponding particle
- ❖ Calculated using the full Geant4 DUET simulation



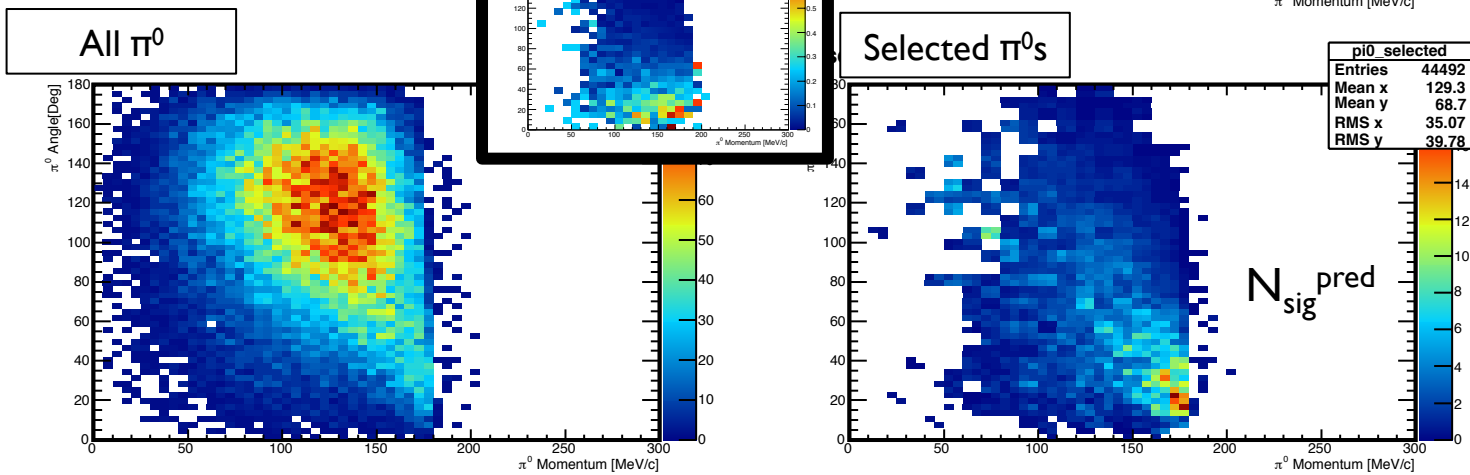
Example: 201.6 MeV/c

Geant4
Model

(as cross-check)



FLUKA



Applying it

- ❖ Large differences at low momentum
- ❖ Decided to use FLUKA as our nominal model for DUET result
- ❖ Scheme can be applied to new models when they become available

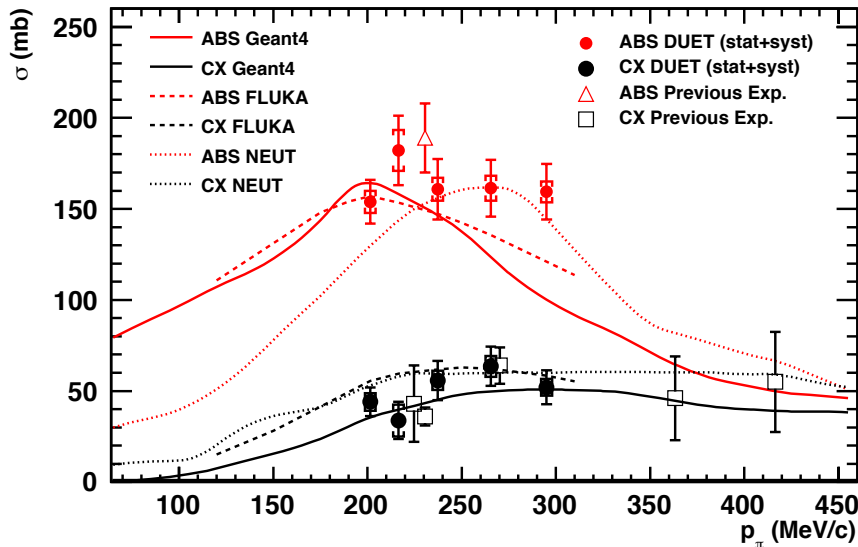
p_π [MeV/c]	Model	σ_{CX}^{MC} [mb]	N_{CX}^{MC}	N_{BG}^{MC}	σ_{CX} [mb]
201.6	GEANT4	36.7	63.3	6.1	58.0
	FLUKA	55.5	122.2	6.3	45.3
	NEUT	50.5	83.0	4.5	61.8
216.6	GEANT4	37.5	16.5	2.0	41.6
	FLUKA	59.5	32.5	1.5	34.4
	NEUT	55.7	24.2	1.5	43.5
237.2	GEANT4	39.6	80.0	9.7	65.4
	FLUKA	61.7	149.4	5.8	56.1
	NEUT	57.5	111.7	6.1	69.8
265.5	GEANT4	44.7	88.8	9.6	71.4
	FLUKA	62.4	143.5	5.0	63.7
	NEUT	57.9	129.4	6.9	64.8
295.1	GEANT4	45.1	122.5	12.7	55.1
	FLUKA	58.5	176.2	5.6	52.0
	NEUT	58.3	170.3	8.4	52.7

Uncertainties

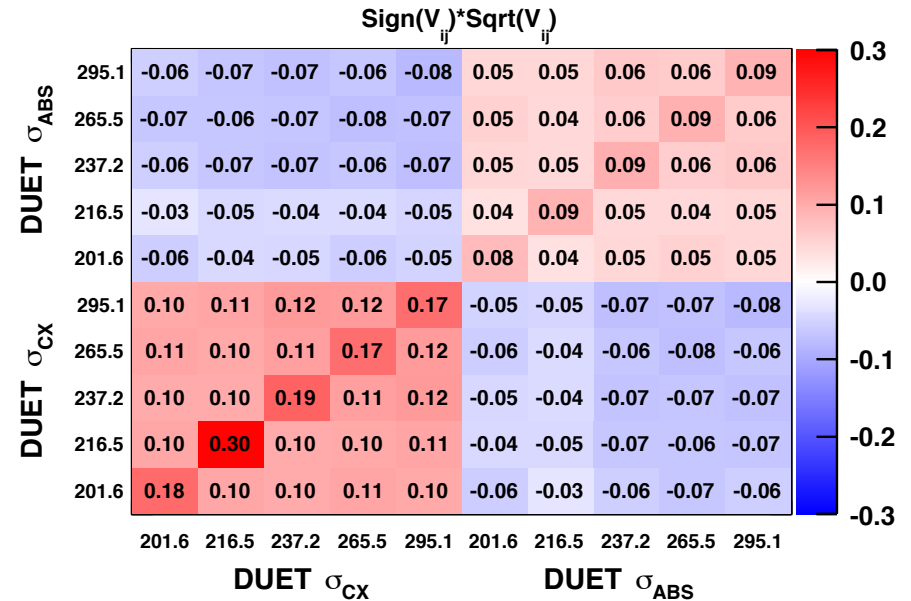
π^+ Momentum [MeV/c]	CX					ABS				
	201.6	216.6	237.2	265.5	295.1	201.6	216.6	237.2	265.5	295.1
Beam Systematics										
Beam profile	3.5	4.9	6.2	4.2	2.0	2.2	2.7	3.8	2.9	2.5
Beam momentum	4.1	1.6	3.5	4.1	2.8	1.5	2.3	1.9	2.5	3.0
Muon Contamination	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.2
Piνo Systematics										
Fiducial Volume	3.6	2.3	4.3	3.9	4.5	1.1	5.4	4.1	3.8	3.4
Charge distribution	3.3	4.1	3.3	2.4	3.0	4.3	3.2	4.1	4.1	4.4
Crosstalk probability	3.9	4.9	4.4	2.5	2.2	1.9	2.0	2.7	1.7	1.3
Layer alignment	1.3	3.6	2.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	2.3	2.8	1.7	2.4
Hit efficiency	1.0	2.1	2.1	2.5	2.6	1.1	1.3	1.5	2.0	1.0
Target Material	2.0	2.0	2.9	2.9	2.9	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3
Harpichord Systematics										
Harpichord Charge	1.7	1.6	3.7	3.1	6.7	1.3	1.1	2.0	1.7	2.5
Harpichord Hit Inefficiency	1.6	2.1	1.1	1.3	2.0	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9
Harpichord Alignment	7.7	7.9	8.3	5.7	4.6	0.7	1.0	0.7	0.7	1.0
Physics Systematics										
Ashery	6.1	6.9	7.9	9.4	10.6	2.1	1.6	3.2	4.3	4.1
Multiple Interactions	1.1	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.1	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.8
Pion Decay Background	1.9	2.8	1.2	0.6	0.9	1.9	2.8	1.2	0.6	0.9
Statistical error	11.0	26.0	9.4	8.9	8.8	3.9	6.2	3.9	4.2	3.6
Total error	17.9	30.3	19.4	17.0	18.0	8.0	11.0	10.5	9.8	9.8

ABS, CX Result

Similarly sized error bars,
but extended coverage in Δ region



Covariance Matrix:
Important for Fitting Models to Data



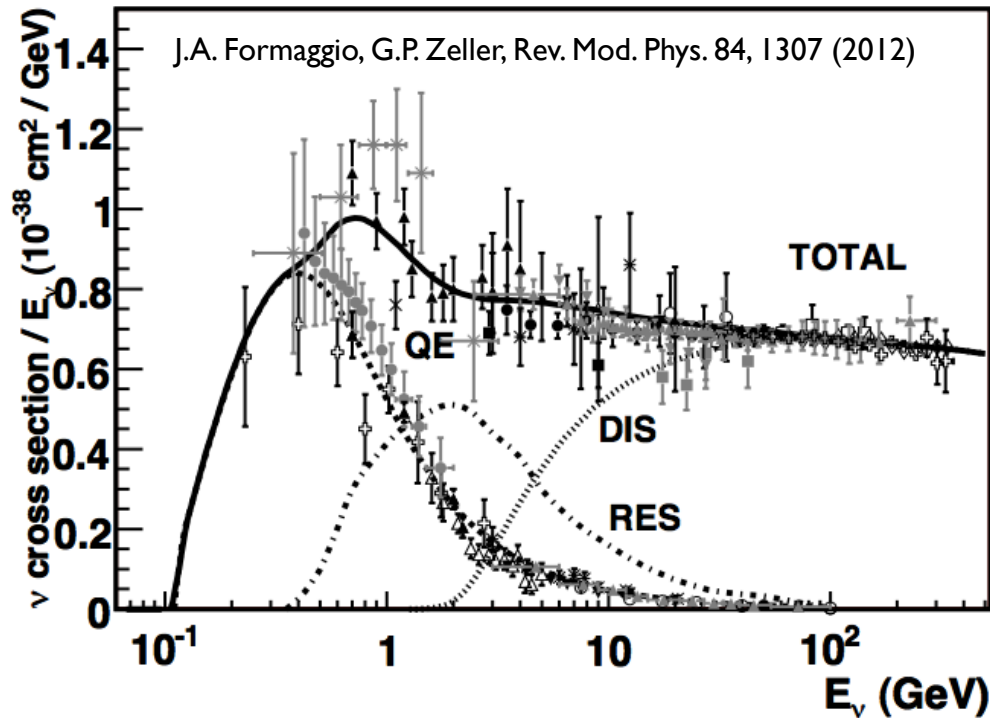
Final Remarks

- ❖ DUET measured $\pi^+ - ^{12}\text{C}$ interaction cross-sections
 - Using the M11 pion beam line at TRIUMF
- ❖ First paper reported a combined Absorption + Charge Exchange cross section consistent with previous results and have much smaller errors ($\sim 20\% \rightarrow \sim 7\%$)
 - **Phys. Rev. C 92, 035205**
- ❖ **New results with separate Absorption and Charge Exchange cross sections**
 - To be submitted soon
- ❖ This will feed into a better model of pion Final State Interactions and Secondary Interactions
 - Reduce systematics for current and future neutrino experiments

BACKUP

GeV ν Experiments on Nuclear Targets

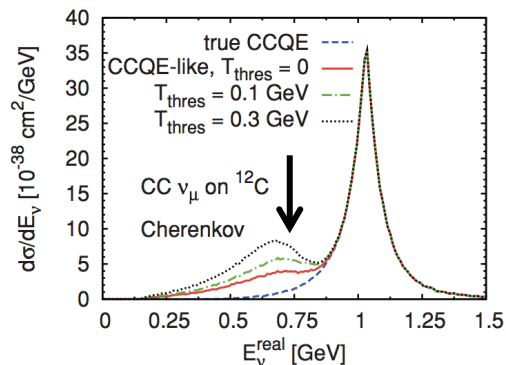
- ❖ Reconstructing the ν flavour and its energy is fundamental for accelerator ν experiments
 - For both oscillation and cross section analyses



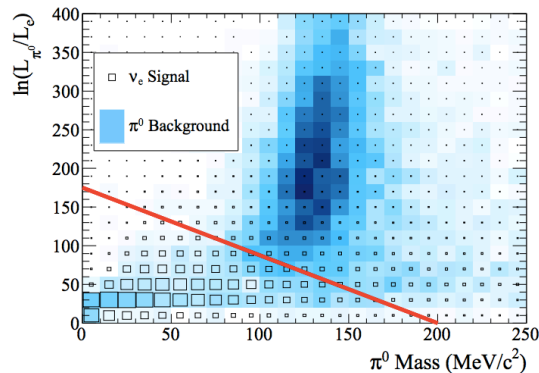
Effects of π FSI/SI

1. E_ν^{rec} smearing

T. Leitner & U. Mosel. PRC 81, 064614 (2010)

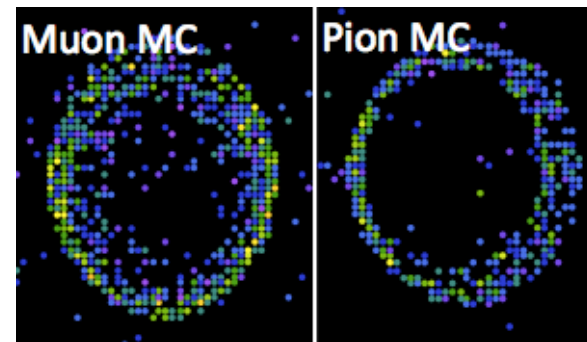


3. π^0 Background to ν_e appearance [PRL 112, 061802 (2014)]



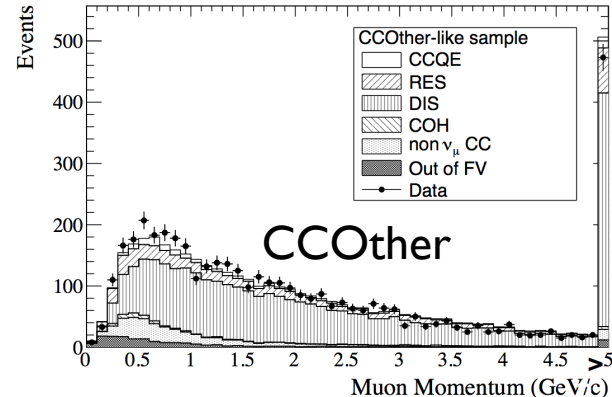
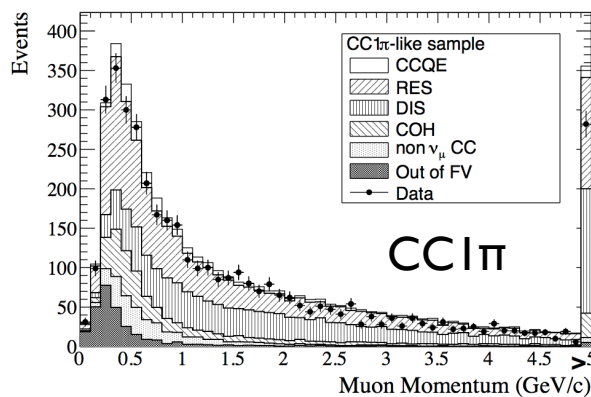
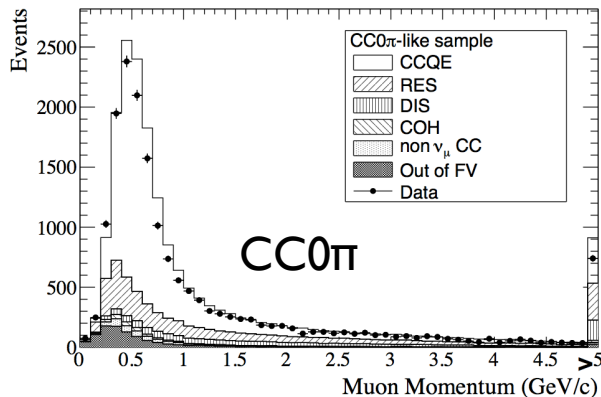
4. π Reconstruction @ SK

“Identifying CC π at SK”, S. Berkman, CAP 2014



2. Selections based on Final State Topologies

- T2K Near Detector selection to constrain Oscillation Analysis [PRD 91, 072010 (2015)]



TRIUMF

- ❖ Canada's national laboratory for nuclear and particle physics research and accelerator-based science.
- ❖ Located on the campus of the University of British Columbia in Vancouver.
- ❖ At its core is a 500 MeV cyclotron that delivers a beam of primary protons
 - Magnet diameter: 18 m
 - In operation for 40+ years
- ❖ Multiple secondary beam lines give life to many experiments and diverse applications

Cyclotron magnet and staff, 1972



Detector setup: DUET

❖ Main Components:

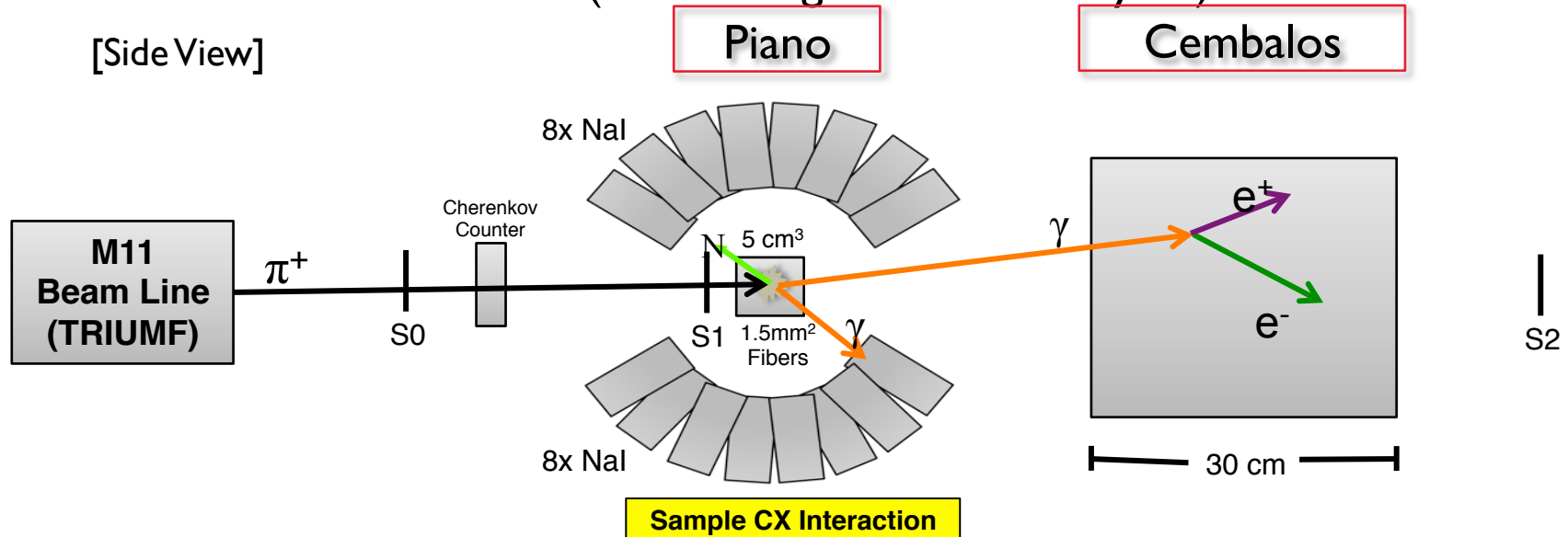


PIAnO: 5 cm³ scintillating fiber tracker (Full active target) + NaI crystals



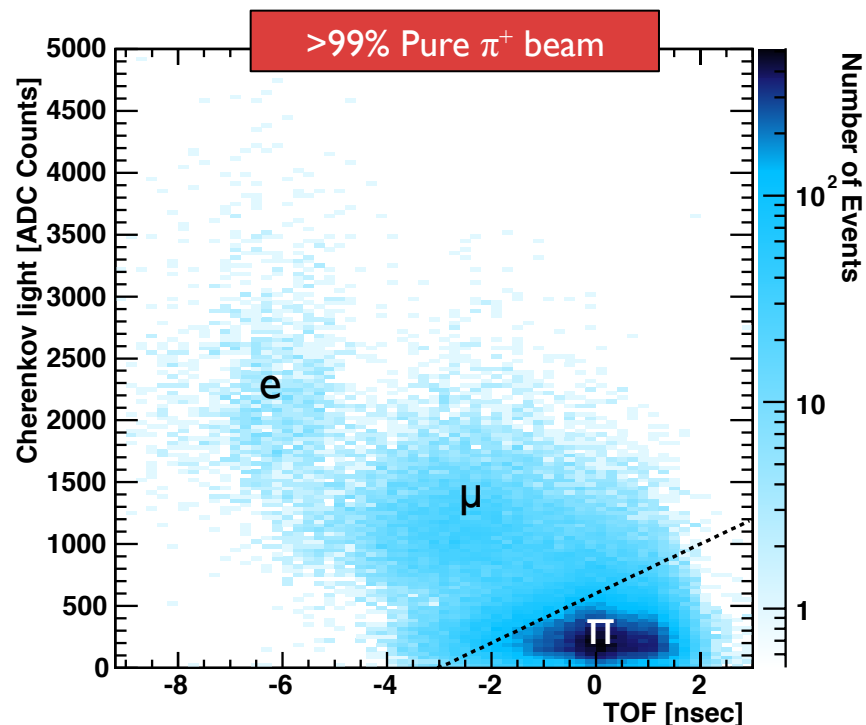
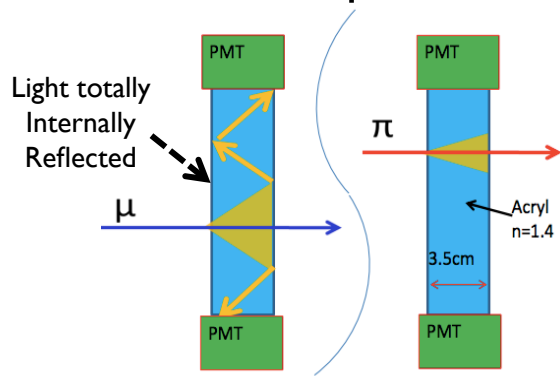
CEMBALOS: Miniature Fine Grained Detector (FGD from T2K)
(Scintillating bars + Lead layers)

[Side View]



TRIUMF M11 Beam line

- ❖ M11 secondary beam line delivered e , μ , p and π with momentum tunable in the range from 150 MeV/c to 375 MeV/c.
- ❖ Recorded data at 5 π^+ momenta
- ❖ Beam PID from Time Of Flight (TOF)
 - ~15 m between production point and Scintillation counter near target.
- ❖ Above 225 MeV/c use Cherenkov detector to select pions.

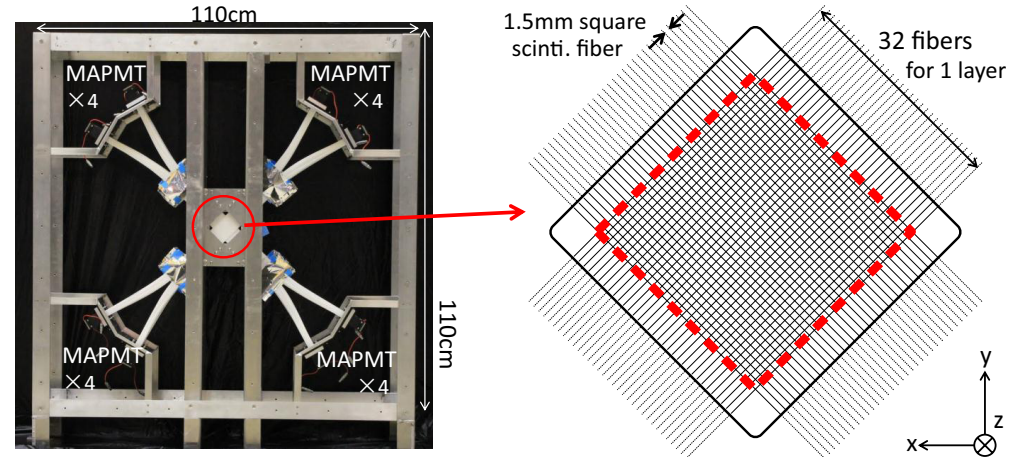


PIAnO Fibers

- ❖ 16 horizontal and 16 vertical layers with 32 CH fibers each (1.5mm x 1.5mm x 60cm)
- ❖ Read by 16 MAPMTs (from K2K) and digitized by FADCs
- ❖ Provides precise tracking and dQ/dx measurements of particles in the final state
- ❖ Full Geant4 simulation
 - Includes TiO₂ fiber coating and support structure



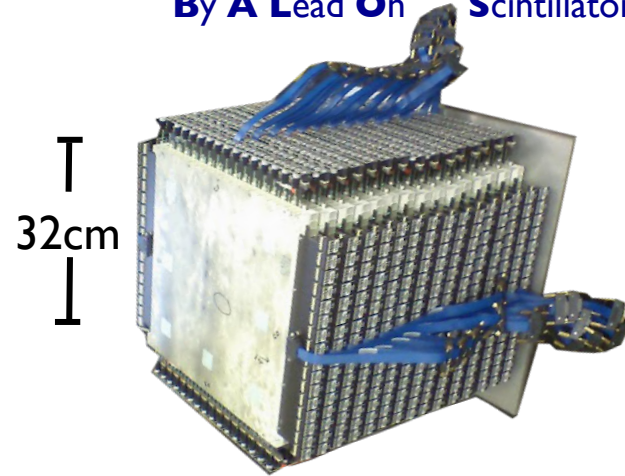
(Pion detector for Analysis of neutrino Oscillation)



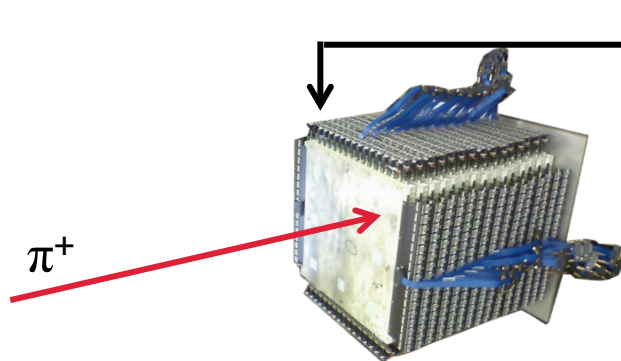
CEMBALOS

- ❖ 8 horizontal and 8 vertical scintillating layers with 32 polystyrene bars each
 - 1/6 x 1/6 of FGD
- ❖ Light from scintillation bar + Wave Length Shifting fibers read out by MPPCs
- ❖ ~1.5mm **Lead layers** interspersed to increase photon conversion
- ❖ Also used for FGD reconstruction studies: “Harpichord”
 - **HA**dron **R**econstruction **CH**ordance **S**tudies **I**n **CH** **O**n **R**educed **D**etector

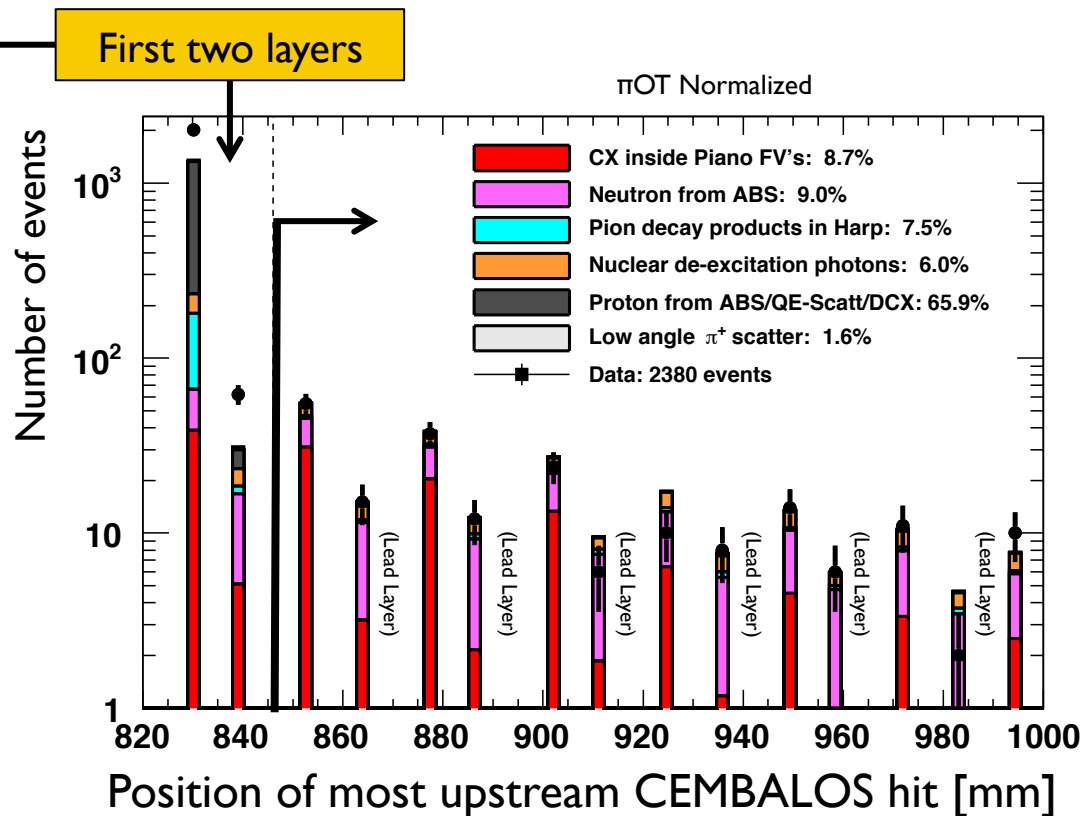
(Charge Exchange Measurement By A Lead On Scintillator)



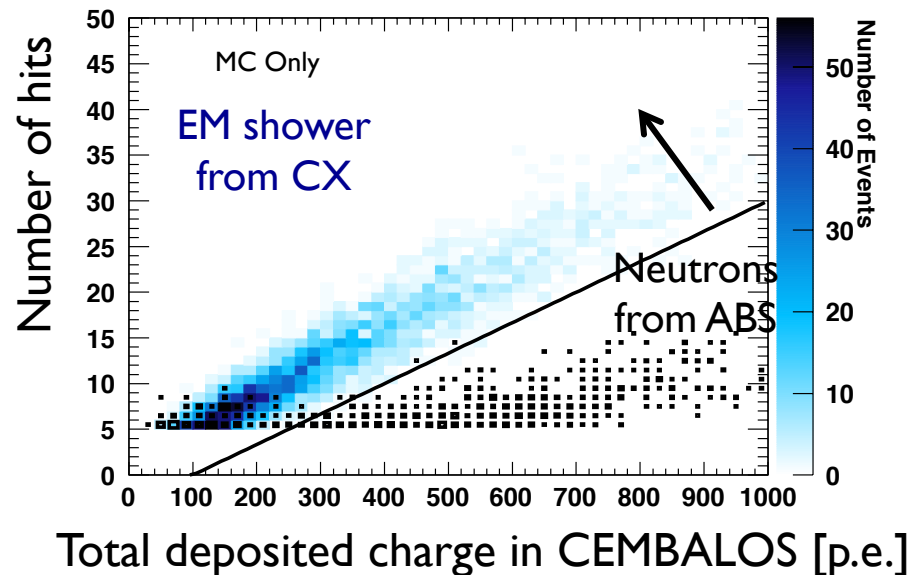
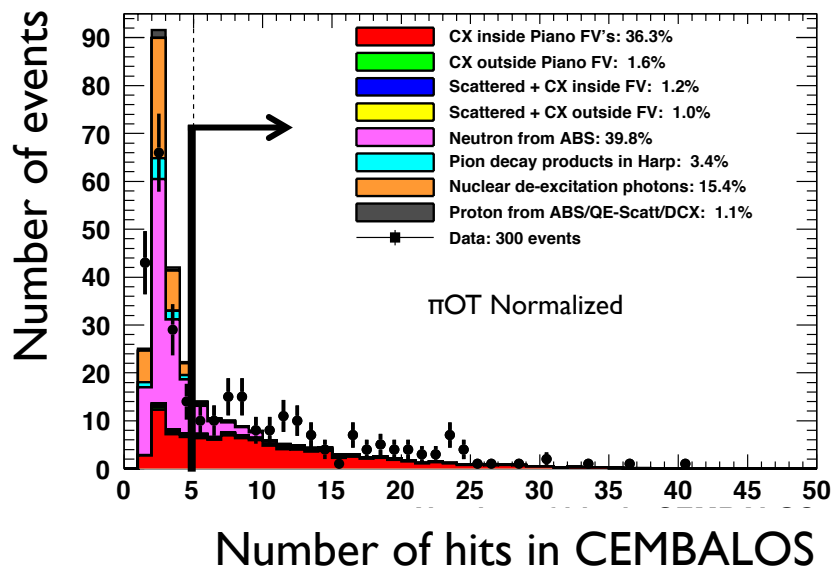
CX Event Selection: Using CEMBALOS



- Charged **pions** and **protons** immediately leave a signal in the scintillating detector
- **Photons** are neutral, so they must interact before they can be detected
- The **first two layers** are used as a **veto cut** in order to remove charged background



CX Event Selection: Neutron Rejection



- **Neutrons** will also mostly make hits after the first two layers
- Use number of hits and total charge deposited to remove most of background

$$\text{Efficiency} = \frac{\text{Selected CX events}}{\text{True CX events}} \approx 6\%$$

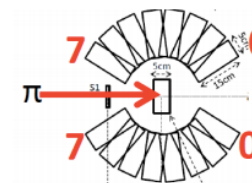
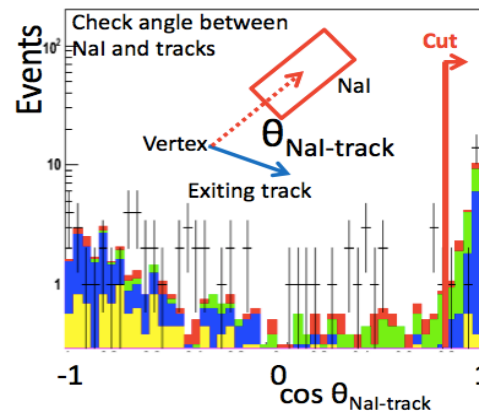
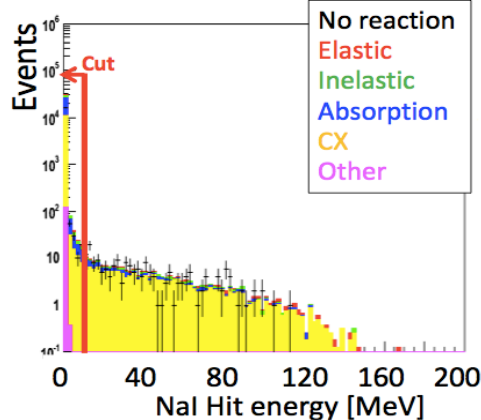
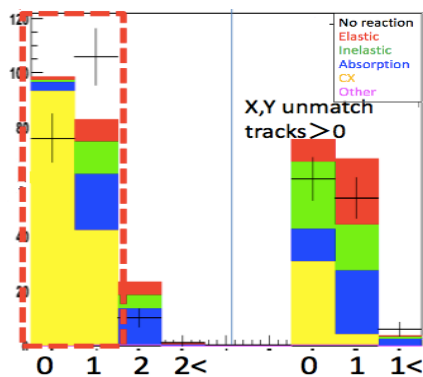
$$\text{Purity} = \frac{\text{Selected CX events}}{\text{Total selected events}} \approx 87\%$$

- **~100 events in data sample**
(~20 for 216.6 MeV/c)

CX Event Selection: Using NaI Crystals

M. Ikeda, ICCR

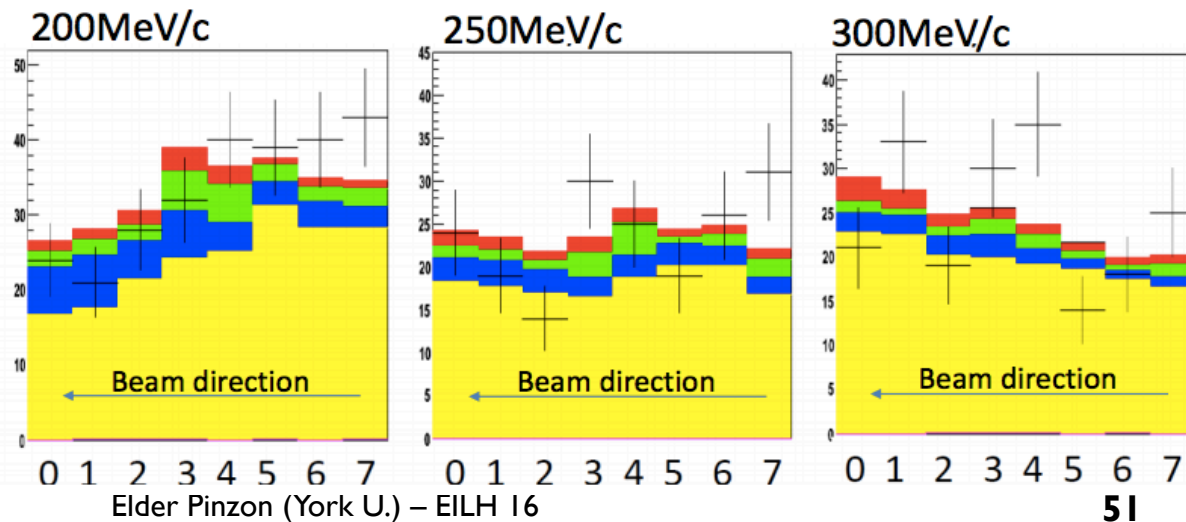
All plots normalized to # of incident pions



Selection Criteria:

1. 0 or 1 3D Piano tracks
2. NaI Hit Energy > 10 MeV in NaI Crystals
3. Reject if Piano track points to NaI Crystal

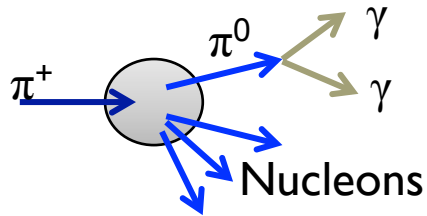
- ❖ π^0 Angular distribution reweighted to FLUKA
- ❖ Confirmed momentum dependence of CX photon angle



"Efficiencies" Scheme

π^0 and nucleon kinematics dependant selection efficiencies
 → Apply directly to the "model" from generators

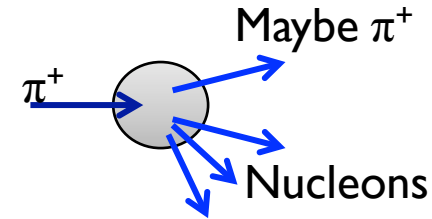
❖ Sample Signal Event



❖ Signal event will be selected if:

- π^0 is selected $\rightarrow \epsilon_{sel}(\pi^0)$
- Ejected proton is NOT mis-reconstructed in Piano as a pion-like track $\rightarrow \epsilon_{rej}(p \text{ misreco})$
- Ejected nucleons (proton or neutron) fire the veto cut $\rightarrow \epsilon_{rej}(p/n \text{ fires veto})$

• Sample Background Event



- Background event will be selected if:
 - Neutron is selected $\rightarrow \epsilon_{sel}(n)$
 - π^+ is mis-reconstructed as proton $\rightarrow \epsilon_{rej}(\pi^+ \text{ misreco})$
 - Ejected proton is NOT mis-reconstructed in Piano as a pion-like track $\rightarrow \epsilon_{rej}(p \text{ misreco})$
 - Ejected nucleons (proton or neutron) or π^+ fire the veto cut $\rightarrow \epsilon_{rej}(\pi^+/p/n \text{ fires veto})$

Applying to thin target

$$\sigma_{CX} = \sigma_{CX}^{MC} \times \frac{N_{Data} - N_{BG}^{MC}}{N_{CX}^{MC}} \times \frac{1 - R_{TiO_2}^{Data}}{1 - R_{TiO_2}^{MC}} \times \frac{1}{1 - f_{\mu}}, \quad (1)$$

(Model-G4)/
G4 * 100

Model	p_{π^+} (MeV)	Incident	σ_{CX}^{pred} (mb)	N_{sig}^{pred}	N_{BG}^{pred}	σ_{CX} (mb)	Δ_{G4}
DUET	200	1.387e+07	34.3	60.4	8.7	59.1	2.0
Geant4	200	8.000e+08	36.7	63.3	6.1	58.0	0.0
FLUKA	200	8.000e+07	55.5	122.2	6.3	45.3	-21.9
NEUT	200	4.000e+08	50.5	83.0	4.5	61.8	6.7
DUET	225	1.027e+07	34.9	15.8	2.4	42.5	2.2
Geant4	225	8.000e+08	37.5	16.5	2.0	41.6	0.0
FLUKA	225	8.000e+07	59.5	32.5	1.5	34.4	-17.2
NEUT	225	8.000e+08	55.7	24.2	1.5	43.5	4.6
DUET	250	1.130e+07	36.8	75.9	11.1	68.2	4.3
Geant4	250	8.000e+08	39.6	80.0	9.7	65.4	0.0
FLUKA	250	8.000e+07	61.7	149.4	5.8	56.1	-14.1
NEUT	250	8.000e+08	57.5	111.7	6.1	69.8	6.8
DUET	275	1.253e+07	41.3	87.1	10.5	72.4	1.4
Geant4	275	8.000e+08	44.7	88.8	9.6	71.4	0.0
FLUKA	275	8.000e+07	62.4	143.5	5.0	63.7	-10.8
NEUT	275	8.000e+08	57.9	129.4	6.9	64.8	-9.3
DUET	300	1.407e+07	41.6	119.4	12.8	56.5	2.5
Geant4	300	8.000e+08	45.1	122.5	12.7	55.1	0.0
FLUKA	300	8.000e+07	58.5	176.2	5.6	52.0	-5.7
NEUT	300	8.000e+08	58.3	170.3	8.4	52.7	-4.5

Difference
between DUET
and Geant4
gives an idea of
validity of
scheme

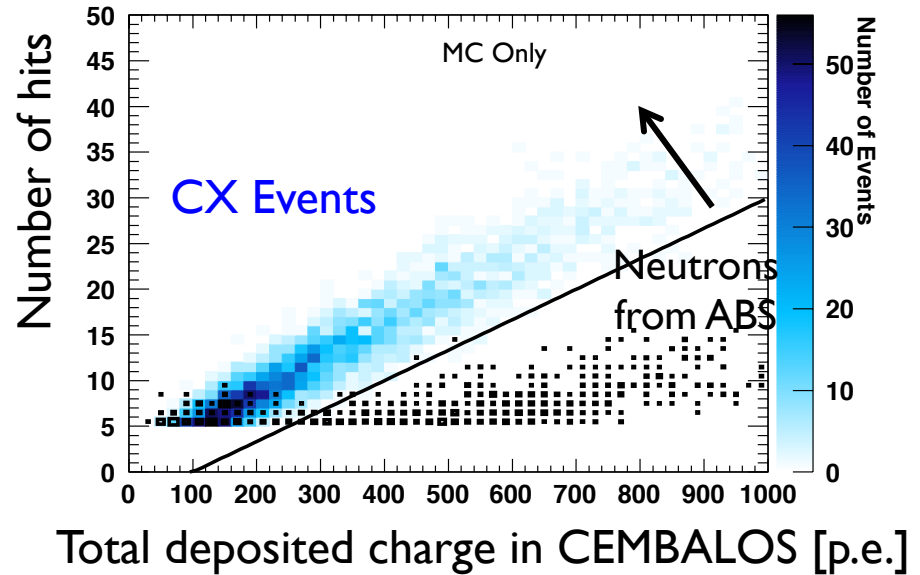
6% ~ 22%
Not
included as
systematic

CX Event Selection: Using CEMBALOS

- ❖ Judicious cuts to remove charged background:
 - QE π scatterings
 - Protons from ABS

- ❖ And neutral background
 - Neutrons from ABS
 - Gamma rays from nuclear de-excitation

- ❖ ~100 events selected for each momentum setting
 - ~20 for 216.6 MeV/c



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$$\text{Purity} = \frac{\text{Selected CX events}}{\text{Total selected events}} \approx 87\%$$

CX Analysis Systematics

1. π^+ Beam Systematics

- Profile and Momentum
- Muon Contamination

2. PIANO detector systematics

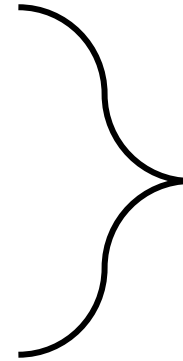
- Fiducial volume, target material, charge simulation, alignment

3. Cembalos Detector Systematics

- Alignment and charge simulation

4. CX Physics Systematics

- π^0 kinematics (Using Ashery 1984 data)
- Selection Background



Estimation procedures
inherited from ABS+CX
analysis

Cembalos Detector Systematics

1. Detector Alignment (5~8%)

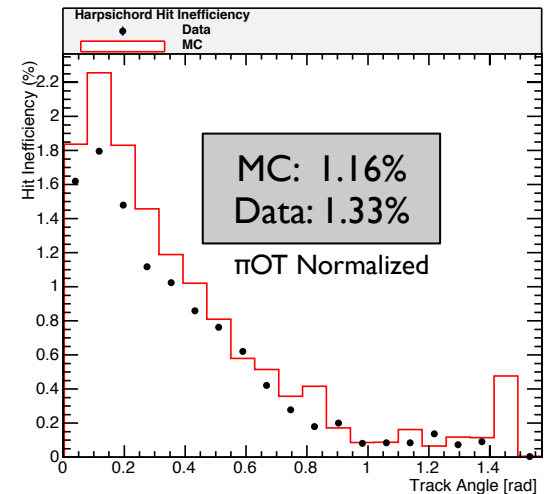
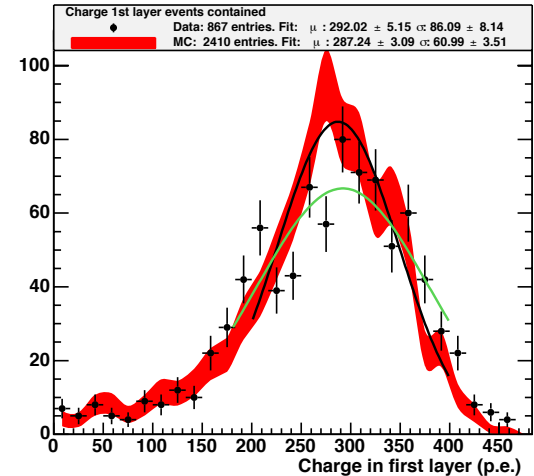
- $\pm 5\text{mm}$ shifts of the (x,y,z) position of Cembalos in the Monte Carlo

2. Charge Simulation (3~5%)

- Charge calibration tuning was conducted previously using through going muon sample (peaked around 40 p.e.)
- A stopping proton control sample was developed for higher charger deposition
- Systematic is calculated from 10000 toy MC where charge in event is varied following a Gaussian ($\mu=1, \sigma=0.2$)

3. Hit inefficiency (1~2%)

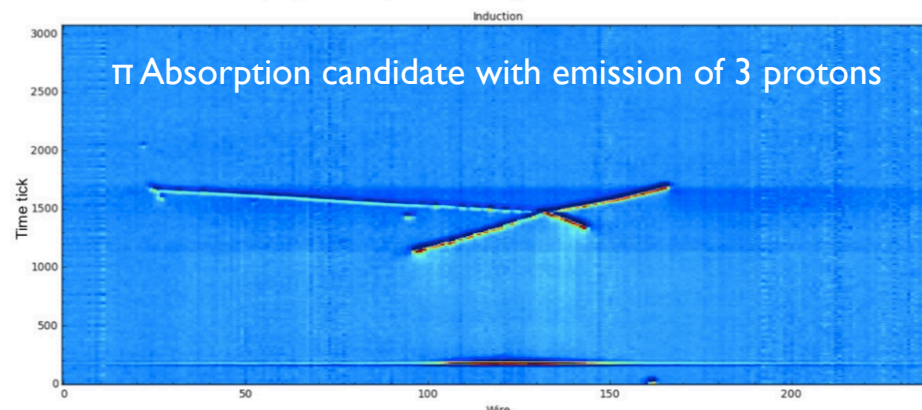
- Missing hits in the middle of Cembalos reconstructed tracks are counted and compared between Data/MC
- Systematic is calculated from 10000 toy MC where hits are randomly deleted following the Data/MC difference



π^\pm -Argon measurements

- ❖ Liquid Argon detectors are an option for future long baseline experiments
 - π^\pm -Ar measurements are necessary
- ❖ LArIAT shows promising π^\pm interaction reconstruction capabilities
 - ArgoNEUT cryostat + LArTPC + improvements @ Fermilab Test Beam Facility (0.2~2GeV/c)
- ❖ Developing pion identification algorithms
- ❖ Total and Reactive cross sections already being prepared!

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