

# MINERvA's Recent Results and Data Preservation Effort

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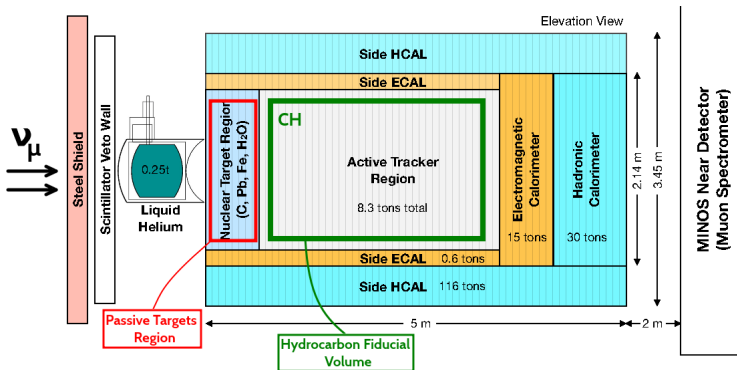


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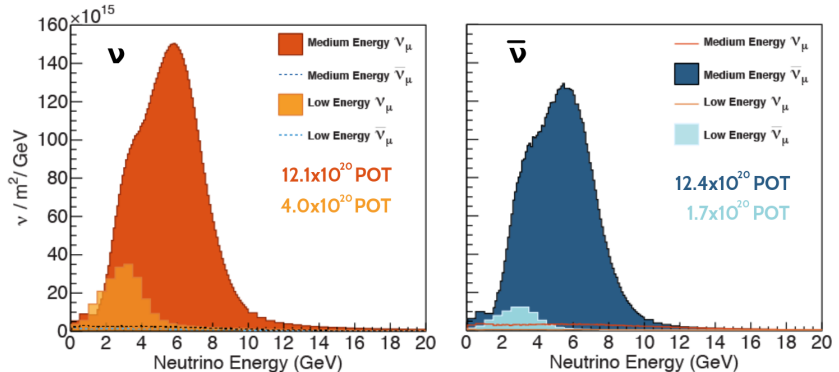
# MINERvA Detector

- Located upstream of the MINOS ND, it consisted of an “inner” detector surrounded by calorimeters.
- The inner upstream “target” region with passive targets of different material.
- The inner downstream “tracker” region, with plastic scintillator.



# MINERvA's Data

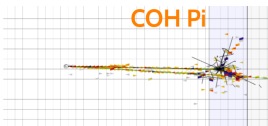
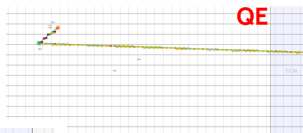
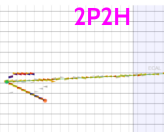
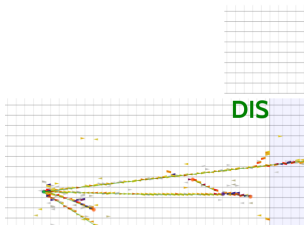
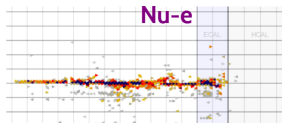
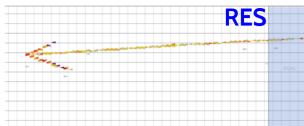
- ME/LE ratio of recorded events  $\sim 13$  in  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\sim 40$  in  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  mode.



Thanks to Fermilab Accelerator Division for all the beam!

# MINERvA's Catalogue

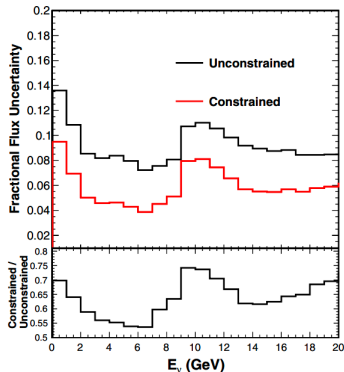
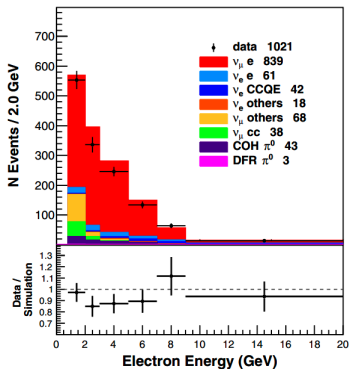
- 34 Publications: 22  $\nu_\mu$ , 10  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ , 2  $\nu_e$ .
- The large ME sample, will:
  - Enable statistical limited channels.
  - Increase the precision of previous results.



# MINERvA Products - Flux Constraint

- Neutrino-electron scattering ME sample, was used to reduce the fractional uncertainty on the flux, from 7.6% to 3.9%.

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# MINERvA Products - MINERvA Tune v1

- GENIE 2.12.6 + The Following Additions:
- Nieves 2P2H model. Added 2P2H from electron scattering data.
- Valencia RPA for QE. Suppress QE events as a function of  $Q^2$ .
- ANL and BNL data used to suppress non-resonant pions.
- MINERvA's LE low recoil fit applied to 2P2H events.





$\nu_\mu$  3D CCQE in CH

# CCQE Interactions

- Basic picture of CC QE:  $\nu_\mu$  interacts with nucleon, producing a muon and recoil nucleon of the proper charge.
- $E_\nu$  reconstruction with muon kinematics only (in principle).

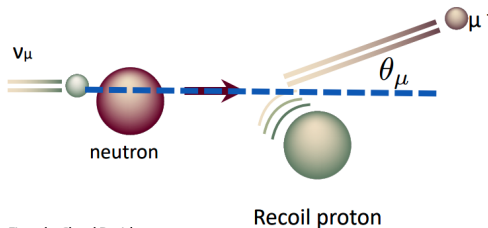


Figure by Cheryl Patrick

## Motivation - ME $\nu_\mu$ 3D CCQE

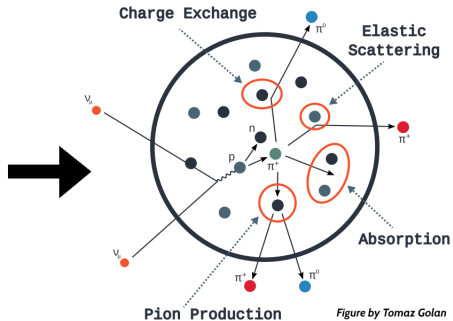
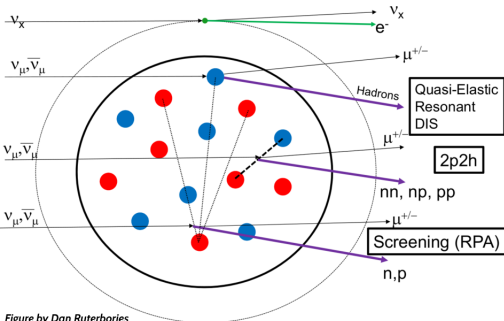
- Explore previously unavailable regions such as high  $Q_{QE}^2$ .
- This is possible with the fine slicing of the data, due to the ME high statistics.
- It's the first analysis of its kind in the few GeV region.

# Signal Definition

- Any number of nucleons
- No mesons, or heavy baryons.
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- Muon angle with regards to the beam  $< 20$  degrees

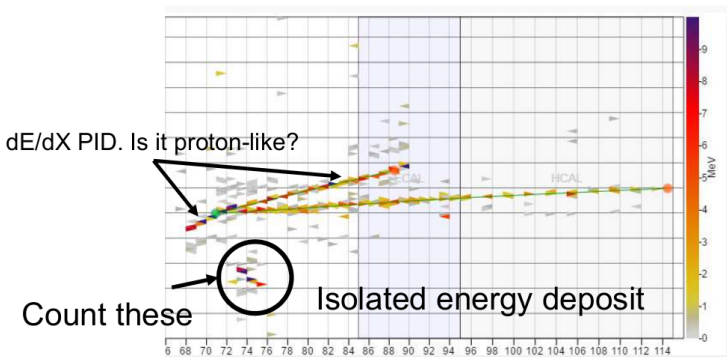
# Initial and Final State Interactions

- The nuclear medium matters!
- CCQE  $0\pi$ , defined “in terms of FSI particles.”



## Event Selection

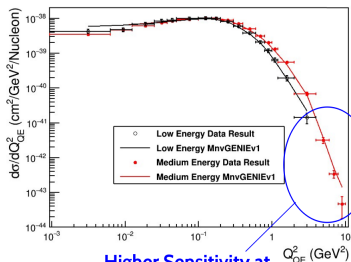
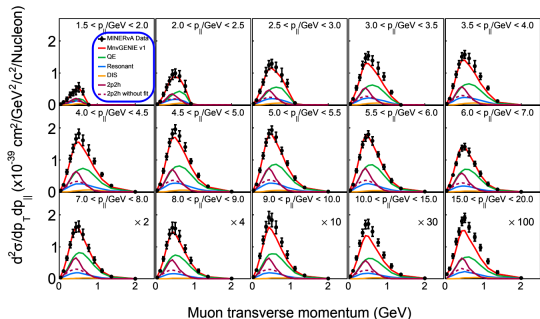
- PID-based selection of tracked particles
- Veto Michel electrons (reject pions).
- Set maximum number of isolated energy deposits.
- Set maximum extra recoil energy for un-tracked activity.
- Muon matched in the MINOS detector.



# ME $\nu_\mu$ 2D CCQE Results

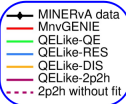
- The ME 2D analysis showed improved sensitivity at high  $Q_{QE}^2$

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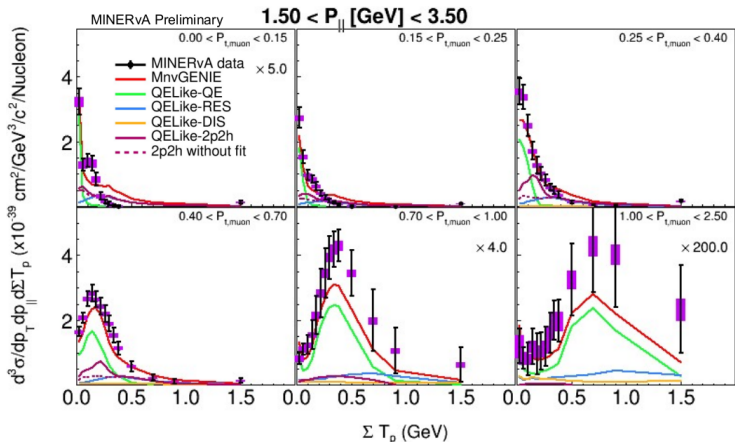
## QE-Like Definition of Signal and Background



Which means Final State particles may be originated due to any of these processes, but they look like QE

# ME $\nu_\mu$ 3D CCQE Cross Section - Preliminary

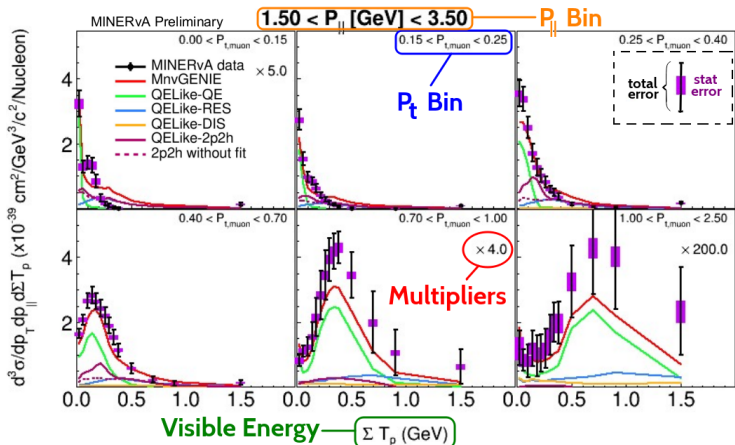
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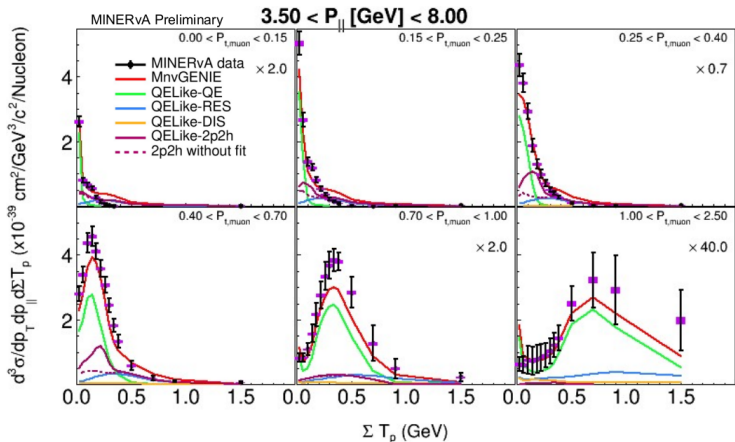
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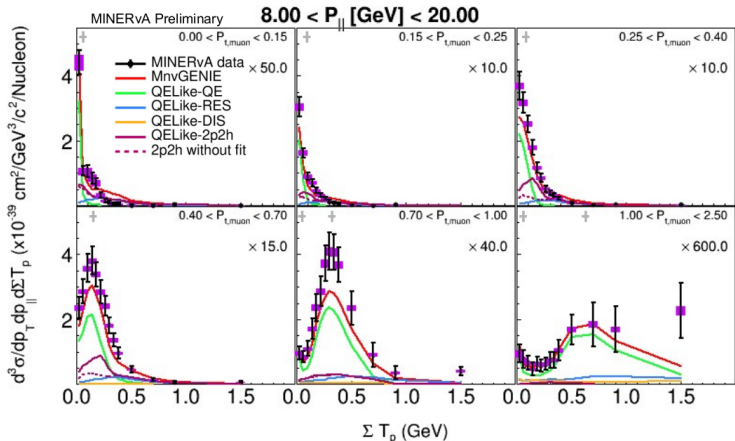
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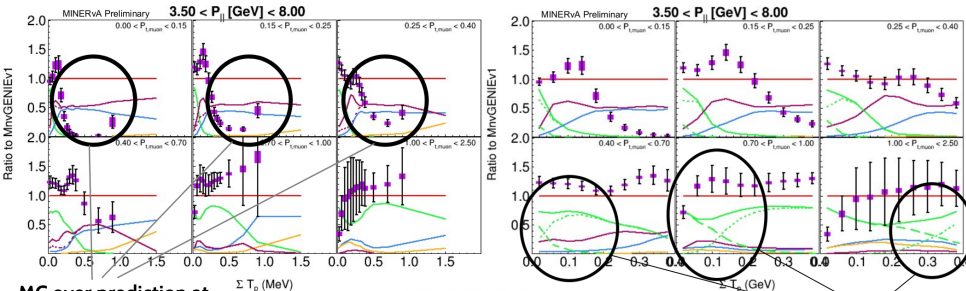


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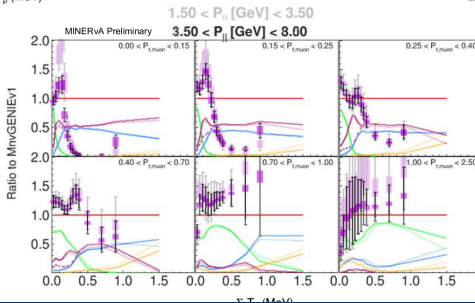


# ME $\nu_\mu$ 3D CCQE - Some Conclusions



MC over prediction at low  $P_t$ , moderate  $\Sigma T_p$

- MINERvA data
- MnvGENIE
- QELike-QE
- QELike-RES
- QELike-DIS
- QELike-2p2h
- - - 2p2h without fit

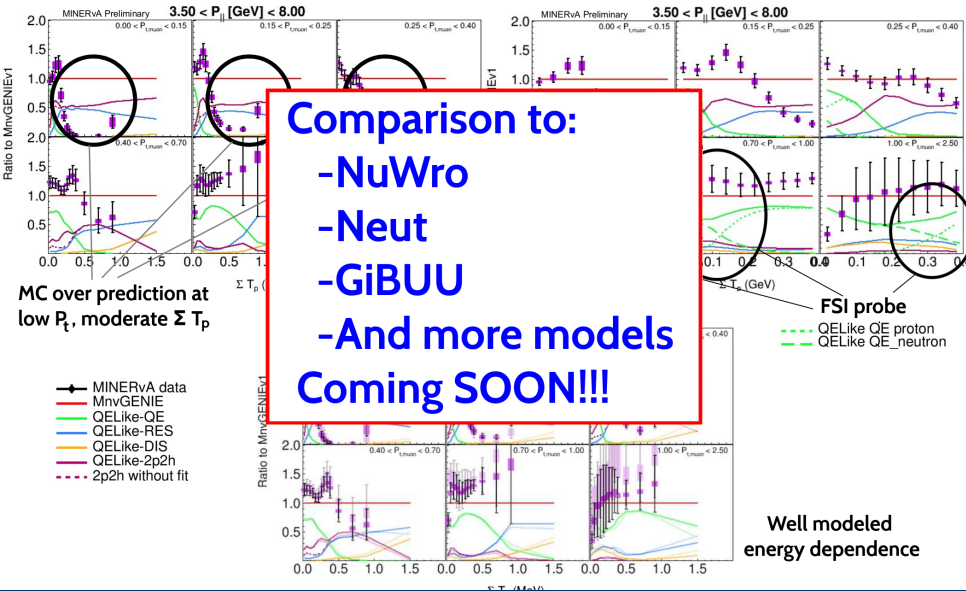


FSI probe

- - - QELike QE proton
- - - QELike QE\_neutron

Well modeled energy dependence

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$\bar{\nu}_\mu$  2D CCQE in CH

## Motivation - ME $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ 2D CCQE

- Complement of the 2D LE anti-neutrino, and the 2D ME neutrino results.
- Important probe at high  $Q_{QE}^2$ , where models fail to describe the data.

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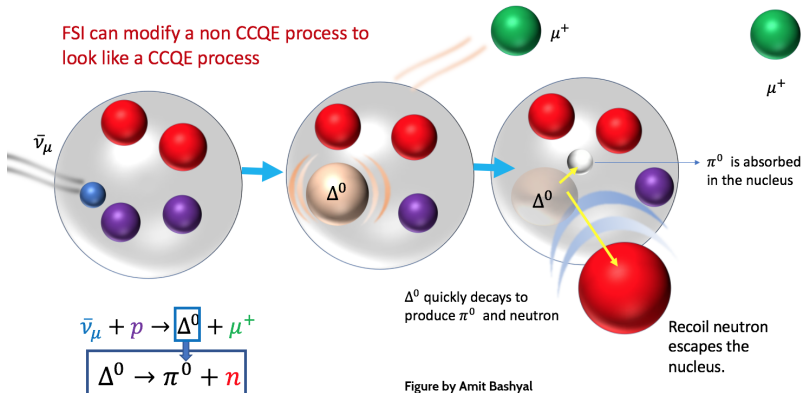
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- Proton kinetic energy  $> 120$  MeV.



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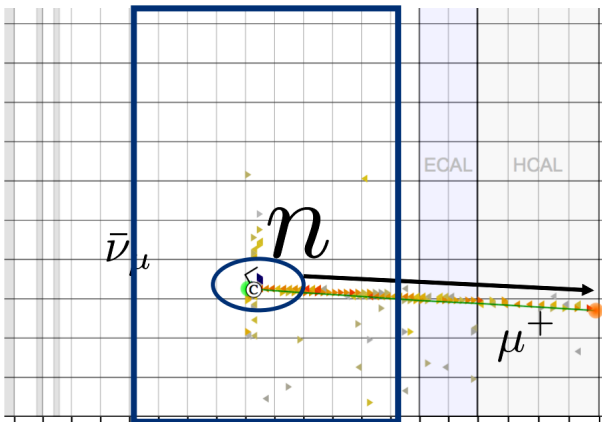
Remember, the nuclear medium matters!

FSI can modify a non CCQE process to look like a CCQE process



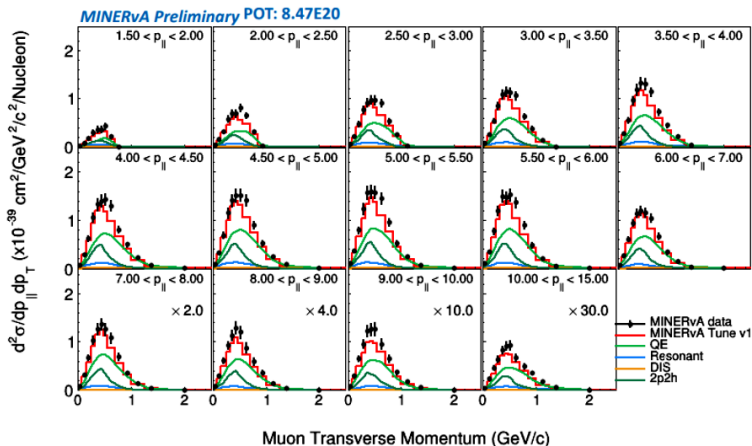
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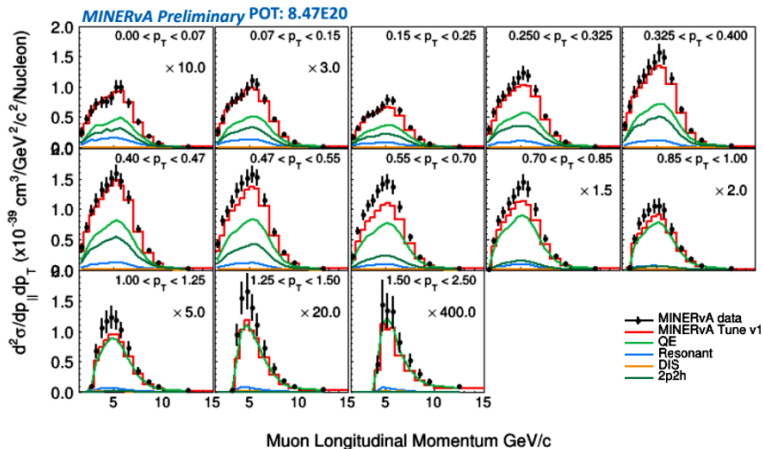
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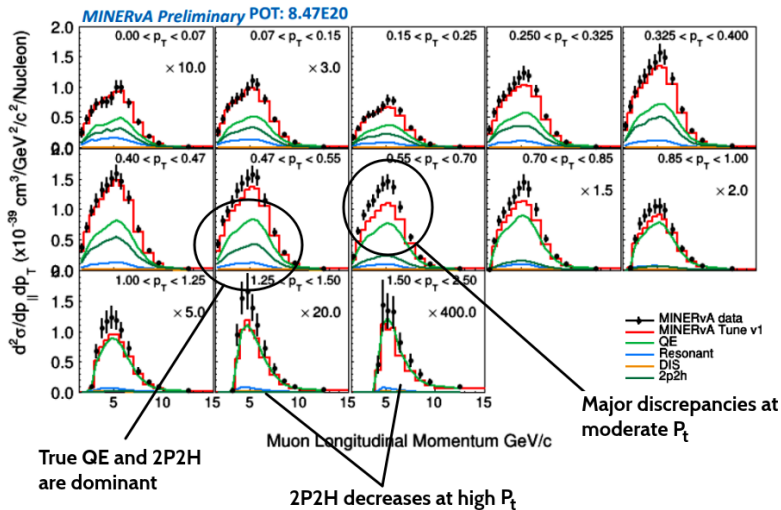
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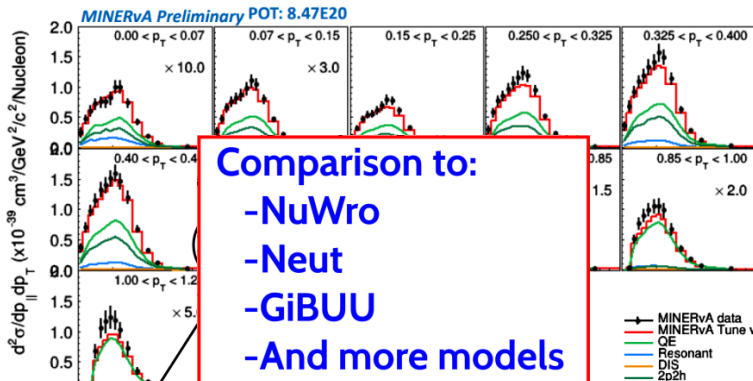
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Comparison to:

- NuWro
- Neut
- GiBUU
- And more models

Coming SOON!!!

Plus cross sections  
in  $Q^2$  and  $E_\nu$

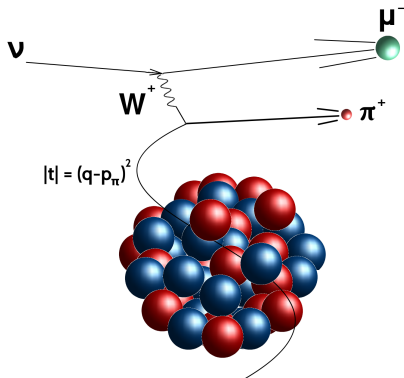
True QE and 2P2h  
are dominant

Major discrepancies at  
moderate  $p_T$

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# Coherent Interactions

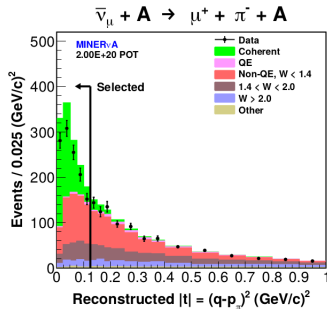
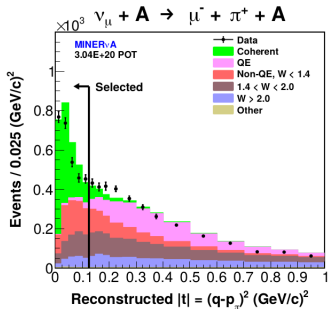
- Characterized by a low momentum transferred to the nucleus  $|t|$ , which is left in its ground state
- Phenomenology according to PCAC Models. MINERvA uses the one by Rein and Sehgal.





# Low Energy CC Coherent Puzzle Solved by MINERvA

- Previously unobserved in the CC channel at lower energies.
- MINERvA observed the interaction by fully containing the pion, and looking at  $|t|$  instead of  $Q^2$ .

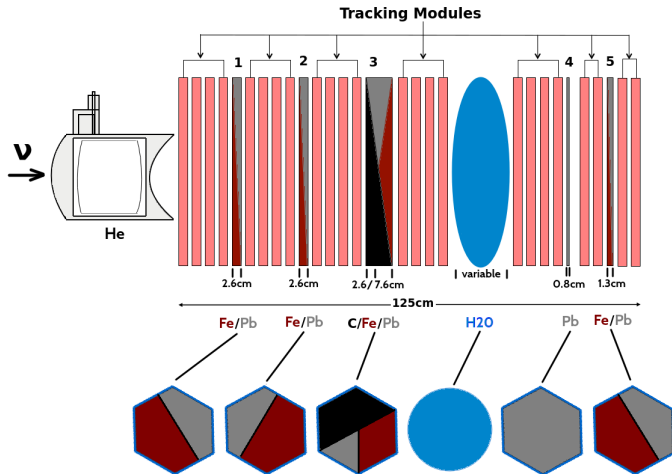


## Motivation - ME $\nu_\mu$ CC COH $\pi^+$

- ME complement of the LE CH analysis.
- Look at the interaction in heavier nuclei like Iron and Lead.
- Perform a simultaneous measurement in different materials, for exploring the A-Scaling of the interaction.

# The Target Region

- He,  $H_2O$ , C, Fe and Pb targets for A-dependence studies.
- Position and thickness are for energy and areal acceptance purposes.

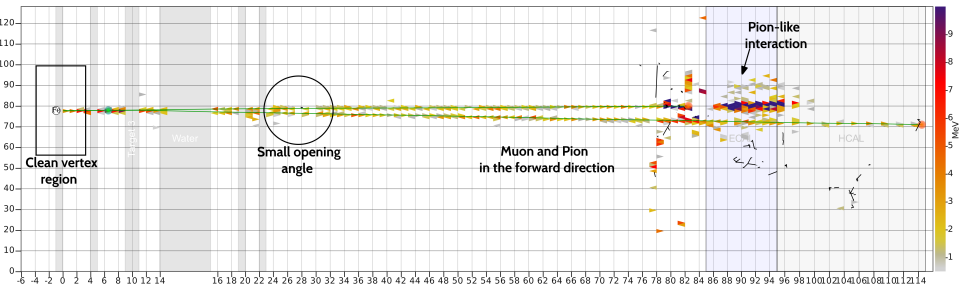


# Signal Definition

- Negative muon and positive pion originated from the same vertex.
- No other particles created in the interaction vertex.
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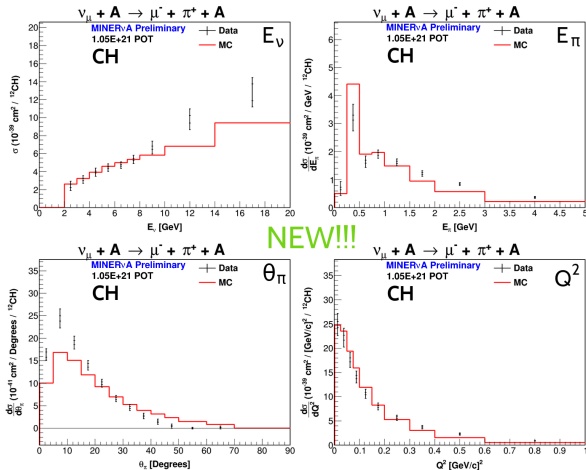
# Event Selection

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- Pion-like PID.
- Low momentum transferred to the nucleus.
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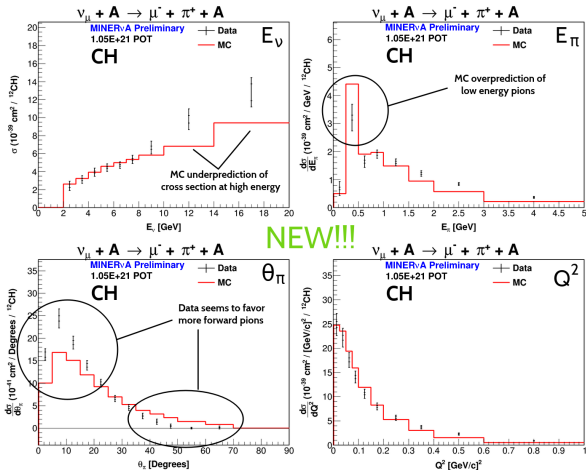
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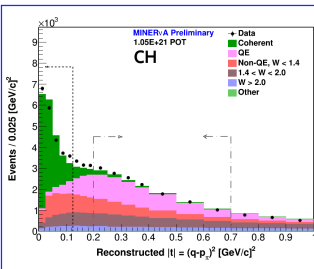
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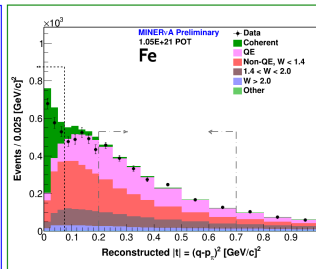
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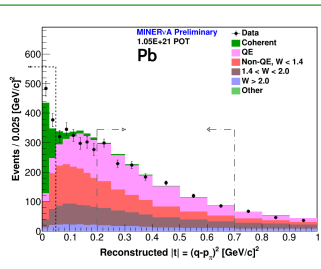
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High Statistical Sample



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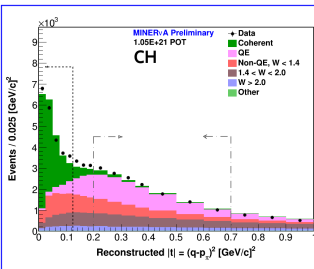




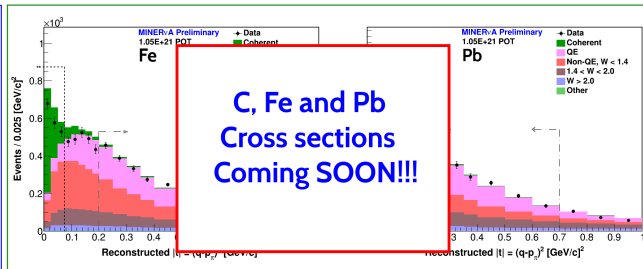
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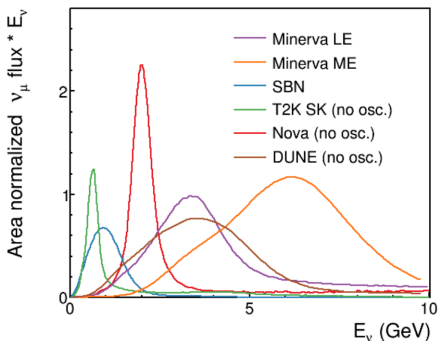


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# Data Preservation Effort

# MINERvA's Data Relevance

- Relevant both theoretical and experimentally, particularly for DUNE.
- Although due to its high statistics, energy range, in both  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  modes, it isn't hard to envision many other applications.
- Of special importance is the data simultaneously taken in different materials: H, He, C, O, Fe and Pb.



# MINERvA's Data and Analysis Infrastructure for the Future

- Good old data needs to be revisited as models evolve.
- However, our ability to access it, might go from challenging to impossible.
- Ideally every experiment's data would be accessible in the future.
- MINERvA has started doing it, why don't you all follow?

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## What We Will Deliver

- Access to “Data” in the form of a single ROOT tuple, with low- and high-level reconstructed objects.
- A MINERvA Analysis Toolkit “MAT”.
  - Infrastructure for producing new, and already published results.
  - It includes the parallel treatment of systematic uncertainties.
  - All, using data from the ROOT tuple.
- Plus a paper! <https://arxiv.org/abs/2009.04548>



# Final Goal

- Deliver a state-of-the-art infrastructure to analyze all this data

	POT ( $\times 10^{20}$ )		$\nu_\mu$ Interactions		Publications	
	LE	ME	LE	ME	LE	ME
$\nu_\mu$	4.0	12.1	$\gtrsim 300k$	$\gtrsim 4M$	22	2 + ??
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	1.7	12.4	$\gtrsim 50k$	$\gtrsim 2M$	10	??

So users can:

- Reproduce MINERvA published result.
- Produce new results!

- MINERvA's ME Effort is getting closer to produce a lot of interesting results.
  - Reproducing LE results with higher statistics and precision.
  - Including brand new results!
- The CCQE analyses have taken the lead in the ME era, with one published result, and two more coming soon.
- More exclusive channels have been enabled, specially in the “target region”, also due to the increase in statistics, and are getting closer to completion, such as the CC Coherent  $\pi^+$ .
- Not happy with all that, MINERvA has started developing an infrastructure to make all its results and data, available for the physics community! ;D

Backup

## QE Kinematics

- Free nucleons at rest.

$$E_{\nu, QE} = \frac{M_p^2 - (M_n - E_b)^2 - M_\mu^2 + 2(M_n - E_b)E_\mu}{2(M_n - E_b - E_\mu + P_\mu \cos(\theta_\mu))}$$

$$Q_{QE}^2 = 2E_{\mu, QE} (E_\nu - P_\mu \cos(\theta_\mu)) - M_\mu^2$$

- $E_\nu$ ,  $E_\mu$  and  $E_b$ , are the neutrino, muon and binding energy, respectively.
- $M_x$  represents the particle “x” mass.

## CC COH Kinematics

- Considering the nucleus at rest, and the energy transfer to it, negligible, the neutrino energy is expressed like:

$$E_\nu \simeq E_\mu + E_\pi$$

- With that assumption,  $|t| = |(p_\nu - p_l - p_\pi)^2|$  can be expressed in terms of the  $\mu$  and  $\pi$  kinematics like:

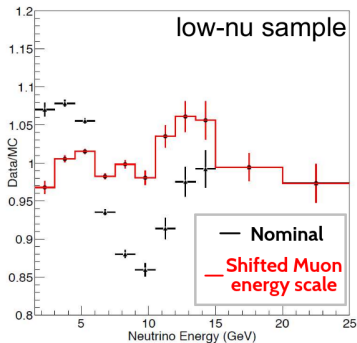
$$|t| \simeq \left( \sum_{i=l,\pi} p_T^i \right)^2 + \left( \sum_{i=l,\pi} (E^i - p_L^i) \right)^2$$

- Which after deploying the algebra is written like:

$$\begin{aligned} |t| \simeq & |2(E_\mu + E_\pi)(E_\mu - p_\mu \cos \theta_{\nu\mu}) - m_\mu^2 \\ & - 2(E_\pi^2 - (E_\mu + E_\pi)p_\pi \cos \theta_{\nu\pi} + p_\mu p_\pi \cos \theta_{\mu\pi}) + m_\pi^2| \end{aligned}$$

## “A Priori” ME Flux Prediction

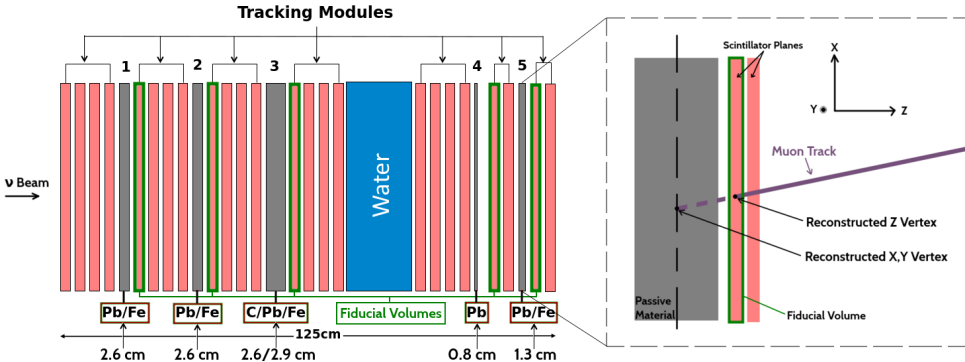
- From fits “with” and “without” constrained beam parameters, it was determined the muon energy scale was shifted by 3.6% ( $1.8\sigma$ ).



# Leading Systematics

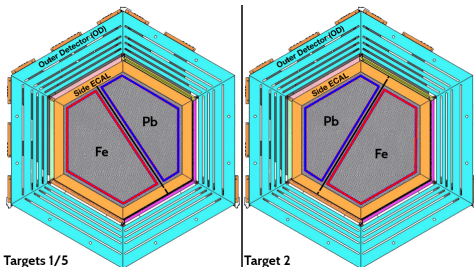
- $\nu_\mu$  3D CCQE, and  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  2D CCQE
  - Flux
  - Muon Energy Scale
  - Cross Section Model: Uncertainty on the QE axial mass / FSI Models.
- $\nu_\mu$  CC COH  $\pi^+$ 
  - Muon Energy
  - Flux
  - Cross Section Model: FSI Models.

# Fiducial Volume for the CC COH $\pi^+$ in the Passive Materials



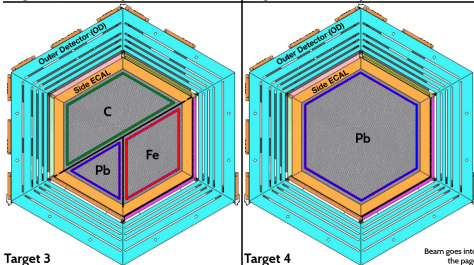


# Front View of Passive Materials



Targets 1/5

Target 2



Target 3

Target 4

Beam goes into  
the page

# Cross Section Extraction Formula

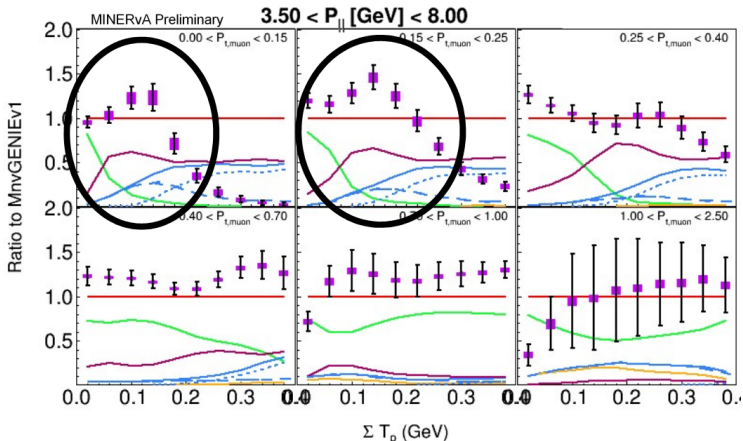
$$\sigma_i = \beta \frac{\sum_j U_{ij} (N_j^{DATA} - N_j^{BKGD})}{\epsilon_i \phi_i T}$$

Diagram illustrating the Cross Section Extraction Formula with labels for each term:

- $\sigma_i$ : Total Cross Section
- $\beta$ : Material Correction Factor
- $U_{ij}$ : Unfolding Matrix
- $N_j^{DATA}$ : Number of Data Events
- $N_j^{BKGD}$ : Number of Background Predicted Events
- $\epsilon_i$ : Efficiency
- $\phi_i$ : Flux Per Bin
- $T$ : Number of Nuclei

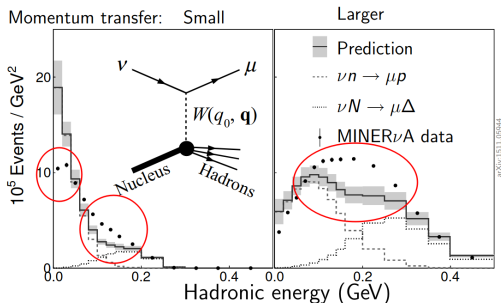
# FSI in Resonance Background - $\nu_\mu$ 3D CCQE

- Neutron-Proton separation in the RES background contribution



# Low Recoil and its Fit

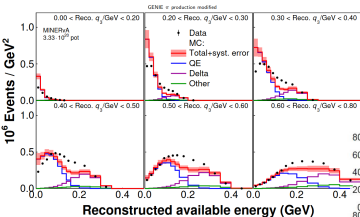
- A low-recoil inclusive sample saw important differences at both, low and large momentum transfer.



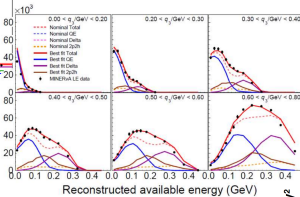
- The LE analysis showed improvements implementing RPA and 2P2H contributions, but tensions remained.
- An empirical fit obtained from that analysis has been successful in describing new data.

# Low Recoil and its Fit (Continued)

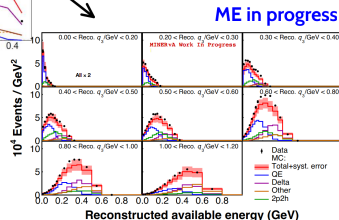
- The ME analysis is implementing this fit, plus new techniques to study this, using many more statistics.



LE result



LE-based fit



ME in progress