NUISANCE-GENIE Validation and Sample Additions

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Outline

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  – Sample additions to NUISANCE framework

• Background
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  – Cross sections
  – MINERvA project
  – Neutrino interactions
  – Variables

• Validation and Model Comparisons

• Future work

• Conclusion
Objective

- The goal of the project came in two separate but related tasks
  - First, signal definitions in NUISANCE had to be validated
    - Also involved validating the functionality and validity of different versions of simulation software (GENIE)
  - Secondly, new samples were needed to be added into the NUISANCE framework to allow for future analysis with data and simulations (MC)
    - These samples were also added to validate papers in progress to be validated
  - Compare Different Models
Neutrinos

- Neutral particles
  - Come in three “flavors”
  - We work with muon neutrinos (numu) and anti muon neutrinos (anti numu)
- Interact only via the weak force
  - Millions pass through us
  - ~1 light year of lead to interact
  - In order to get interactions in detectors, they need to be huge and have a high intensity beam
MINERνA Detector

• Large detector that uses the NuMI beam
• Unique detector
  – Unconventional hexagonal shape
  – Utilizes five nuclei to obtain data
    • Iron
    • Lead
    • Carbon
    • Water
    • Helium
Interactions

- There are two categories in which an interaction can fall into
  - Charged current (CC)
    - The final state particles are charged and the flavor of neutrino can be determined
    - Fall in 1 of three categories
      - Quasi Elastic (QE)
      - Resonant Elastic (RES)
      - Deep Inelastic (DIS)
  - Neutral current (NC)
    - There are only neutral particles in the final state, no flavor can be determined

CCQE

CCRES

CCDIS
**Cross Sections**

- Measurement from detector that is proportional to the probability of the interaction occurring
  - Very small for neutrinos
- Differential cross section when related to a variable (angle)

\[ \sigma = \frac{N}{\Phi T} \]

\[ \sigma(\nu N) \sim 10^{-38} \text{cm}^2 \]
Variables

• Disagreement with MC data
  – Work with variables to focus on certain parameters
  – Needs tuning

• Can be calculated from detector data or taken directly
GENIE

- Used by the majority of Neutrino experiments at Fermilab
- Flexible MC neutrino event generator
  - Different targets
  - Wide energy range
  - Different neutrino flavors
- ROOT based
  - Written with ~120,000 lines of C++
- Able to be modified for needs of future detectors
  - Higher energy range
  - New target
- In the process of being tuned to MINERvA data
NUISANCE

• Comparison framework used for analysis
  – Read in data and MC data
  – Performs any cuts in signal definition
  – Makes any calculations needed for variables

• Able to read in MC data from different generators
  – GENIE, NuWro, GIBUU…

• Very useful for model tuning

• New for use in Neutrino experiments at Fermilab, hence the validations
Validation

CC0pi Four momentum transfer, Lead

CC0pi Four momentum transfer, Carbon

CC0pi Four momentum transfer, Iron
Validation cont.

- CCNpip Four momentum transfer, validating GENIE 2.8.4 and 2.12.6
Validation cont

Comparison of Nuisance output to GENIE extractor
Signal Definitions

- Added these cuts to compare with measurements
  - Neutrinos
    - Muon and any # of nucleons of any momentum
    - No mesons
    - No heavy baryons
    - No gammas $> 10\text{MeV}$
  - Anti-Neutrinos
    - Same as Neutrinos
    - No protons about 120 MeV
- Later normalized per Carbon (NuInt Slides)
Sample Additions cont.
Models

- Very different ways of predicting interaction events
- Ones used for this analysis
  - Default
    - Smith-Moniz QE, with Relativistic Fermi Gas (IS)
  - DefaultPlusMECWithNC
    - Includes empirical model for multiple nucleons (MiniBooNE)
  - DefaultPlusValenciaMEC
    - Theoretical 2p2h model (Valencia) Only for outgoing Muon
  - EffSFTEM
    - Replaces QE model with spectral function model (TEM)
  - ValenciaQEBergerSehgalCOHRES
    - Local Fermi Gas model (Best “theory” in GENIE)
Models cont.

Valencia seems to agree at low four momentum transfer, but tuning is needed to agree at the entire range.
Future Work

• More Sample Additions
  – Neutrino and Anti-Neutrino Ratio for CCinc
• Continue to validate more publications
  – GENIE 2.8.4-GENIE 2.12.6
• More comparisons between models
• Tune the models
  – Direct continuation from my project
Conclusion

- Plots were validated!
  - 2016 Article
  - 2017 Presentation
- Sample has been added!
  - Need to run tests to validate
- Models were compared
  - Will lead to tuning
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Validation cont

![Graph 1: Comparison of data with different versions of GENIE and Patrick's version.](image1)

![Graph 2: Comparison of different models including GENIE with and without FSI, NuWro, and NEUT.](image2)
Validation cont
Sample Additions cont.
Models cont.

[Graphs and plots showing data and models compared across different parameter spaces.]
Models cont.