

Ab initio calculations of electroweak response: a status report

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Current projects

- GFMC calculations of EM, NC, and CC response of ¹²C in quasielastic regime
- Short-time approximation to response of ¹²C and beyond:
 - Relativistic kinematics and dynamics at two-body level
 - Inclusion of pion production channels
- ullet PWIA-inspired approaches based on N and 2N momentum distributions (and spectral functions)

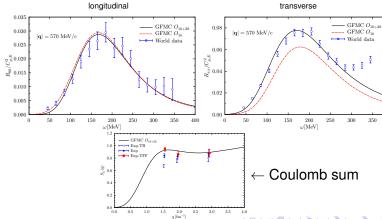


GFMC calculation of EM response in 12 C

Carlson and Schiavilla, PRL **68**, 3682 (1992); Lovato *et al.*, PRL **117**, 082501 (2016)

$$\int_0^\infty d\omega \, e^{-\tau \omega} \, R_{\alpha\beta}(q,\omega) = \langle i \, | \, j_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{q}) \, e^{-\tau (H-E_i)} \, j_{\beta}(\mathbf{q}) \, | i \rangle$$

• Inversion back to $R_{\alpha\beta}(q,\omega)$ by maximum entropy methods



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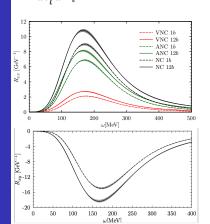


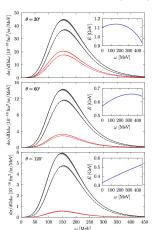
NC responses and cross sections in ¹²C

Lovato et al., arXiv:1711.02047

• Inclusive $\nu/\overline{\nu}$ (-/+) cross section given in terms of five response functions

response functions
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}\epsilon_l'\mathrm{d}\Omega_l} \propto \left[v_{00}\,R_{00} + v_{zz}\,R_{zz} - v_{0z}\,R_{0z} + \overbrace{v_{xx}\,R_{xx} \mp v_{xy}\,R_{xy}}^{\mathrm{dominant}} \right]$$





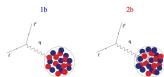
Short-time approximation (STA)

Pastore et al., in preparation

$$R_{\alpha\beta} = \sum_{f} \delta(\omega + E_0 - E_f) \langle 0|O_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{q},\omega)|f\rangle \langle f|O_{\beta}(\mathbf{q},\omega)|f\rangle$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int dt \ \langle 0|O_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{q},\omega) \underbrace{e^{-i(H-E_0-\omega)t}}_{P(t)} O_{\beta}(\mathbf{q},\omega)|0\rangle$$

ullet Include two-body physics by expanding P(t) and keeping up to two-body terms

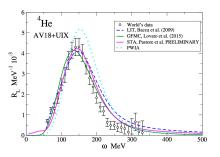
$$H \sim \sum_{i} t_i + \sum_{i < j} v_{ij}$$
$$O_i^{\dagger} P(t) O_i + O_i^{\dagger} P(t) O_j + O_i^{\dagger} P(t) O_{ij} + O_{ij}^{\dagger} P(t) O_{ij}$$





STA versus *ab initio* methods

Pastore et al., in preparation



Longitudinal Response function at q = 500 MeV

- STA is in excellent agreement with GFMC results for $q>0.5~{\rm GeV/c}$
- STA extension to NC and CC response and applications to ¹²C are in progress



JLab experiments in support of ν program

- The 40 Ar(e, e'p) experiment and 40 Ar "spectral function" (analysis phase, report by Mariani)
- PR12-17-06 Electrons for Neutrinos: Addressing Critical Neutrino-Nucleus Issues (conditionally approved by PAC45, 07/2017)

Summary: The committee overall finds the proposed physics is well motivated, but the actual measurements are in need of significant optimization. We are glad to see that neutrino and electron scattering physicists are working together on this proposal, which should lead to a better joint interpretation and use of the data. The committee was also impressed with the preliminary work done with CLAS6 data and with the plan discussed in the open session for evaluating neutrino simulation models using the proposed running. We would like to see a preliminary application of the CLAS6 data (and possibly projected CLAS12 data) to neutrino models and comparison of the improved models with one of the existing neutrino data samples (such as T2K, MINERvA, NOvA, or MiniBooNE). We believe the collaboration is more than capable of doing this before the next PAC meeting and that this would lead to a better optimized run plan. We therefore recommend C2 conditional approval.