

two-particle nuclear effects up to 10 GeV
theory and experiment
MEC and RPA and SRC

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Motivation for MEC, RPA familiar to many of us

Many experiments, K2K, MiniBooNE, SciBooNE, MINOS found their Q^2 distributions not well described by QE models led to anomalously high “effective M_A ” fit values agreement with Deuterium at ~ 1 sigma, driven by exp. uncertainty

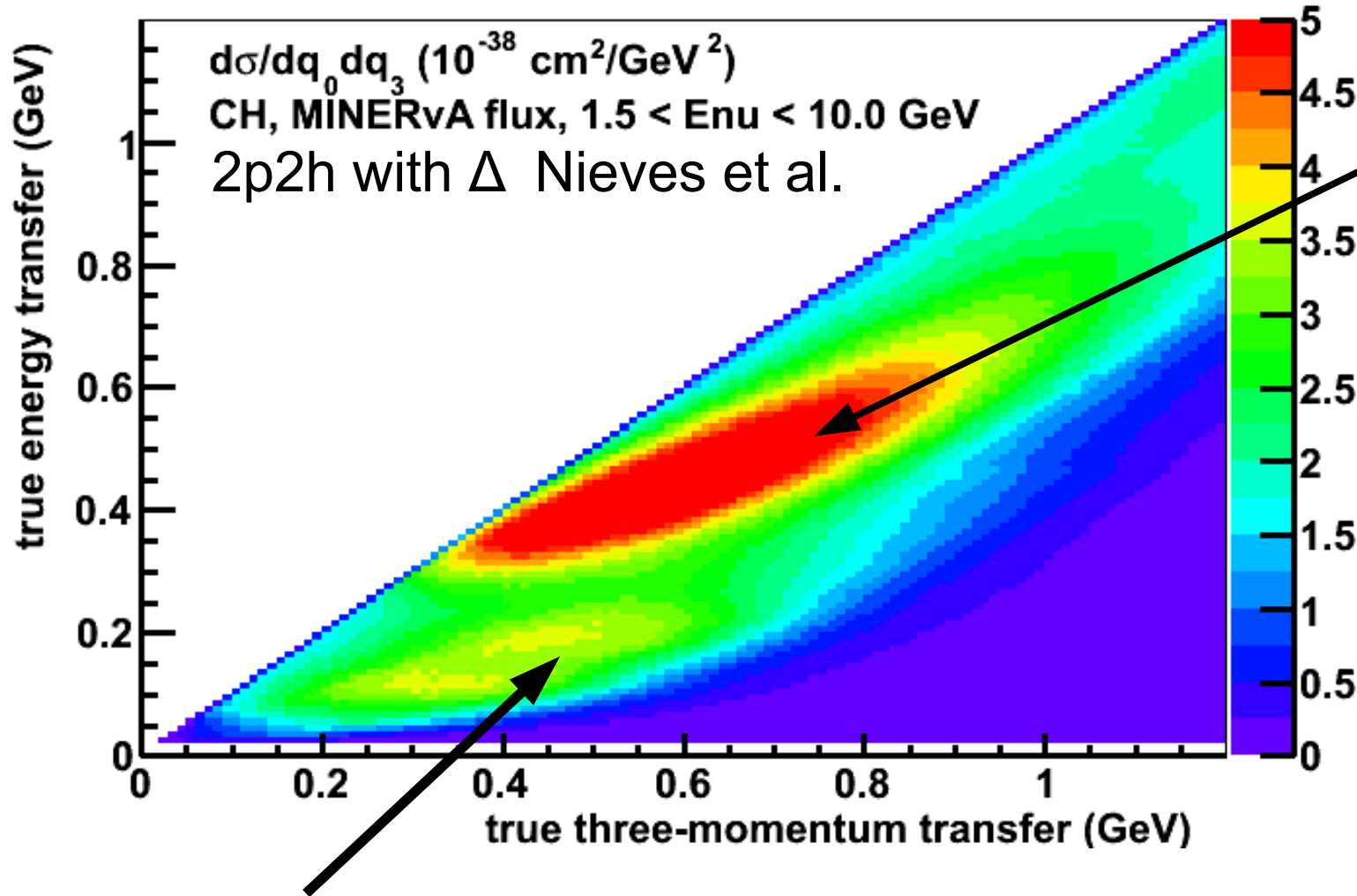
MiniBooNE led the new era with double differential cross sections $d\sigma/dT_\mu d\theta_\mu$ and more

MINERvA has presented $d\sigma/dQ^2$ double, multi- differential work is in progress

NOMAD has flux and presents $\sigma(E)$ analysis outcome: M_A only a little higher

Electron scattering reveals both MEC and RPA components ²

2p2h (later QE+RPA) of Nieves, Ruiz Simo, Vicente Vacas with MINERvA flux and MINERvA-like muon acceptance

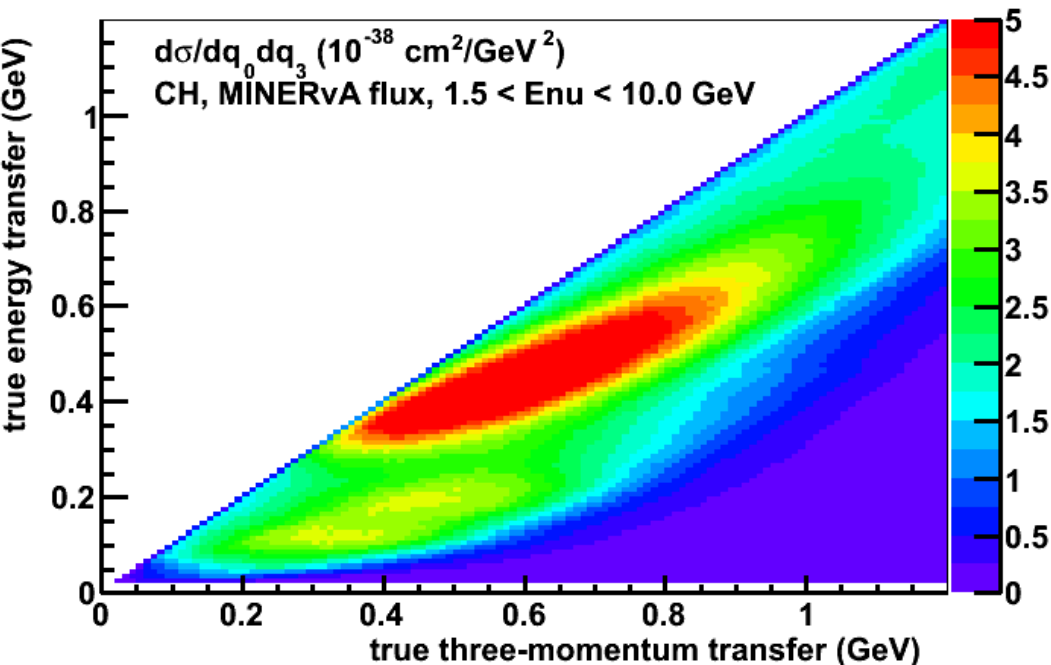


In-medium absorption
 $\Delta N \rightarrow NN$
before FSI

complete calculation includes interference terms, can then later subtract it

The “regular” 2p2h component peaks here, broad tails

Microscopic calculation features



Turns on ~ 1.5 GeV for neutrino
slower threshold for anti- ν , like QE
then cross section saturates

Stable lab-frame q_0 q_3 kinematics
can calculate p_μ and θ_μ or Q^2 W^2

Fills in the “dip” between QE & Delta
at very-low Q^2

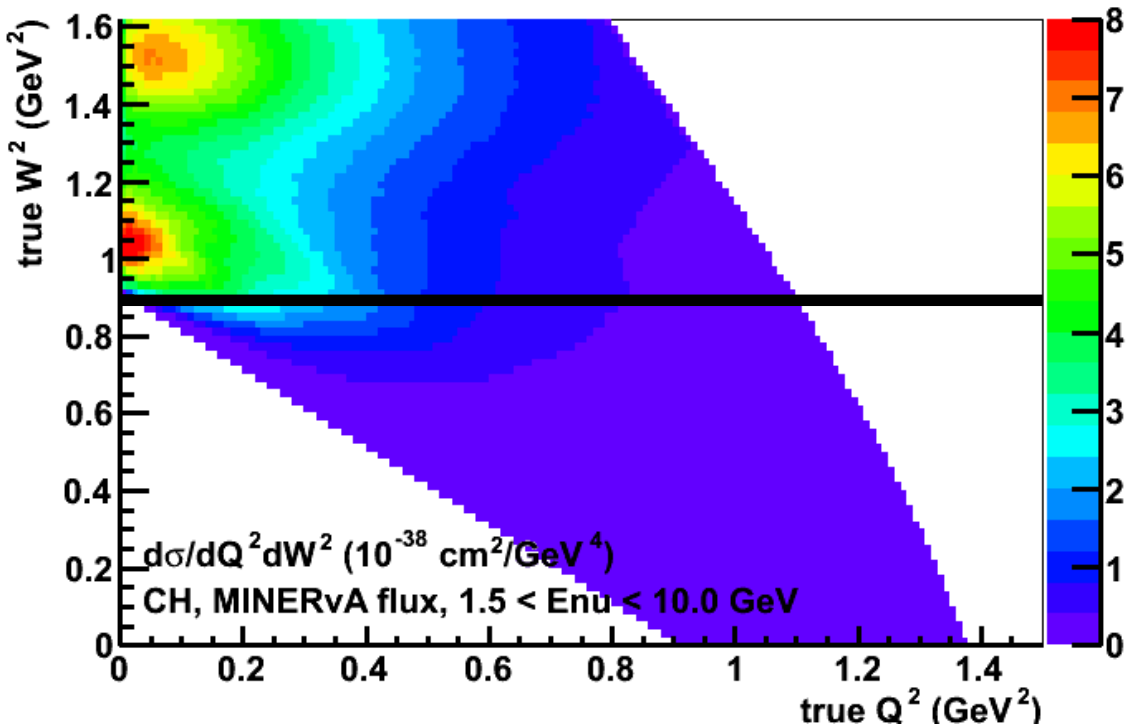
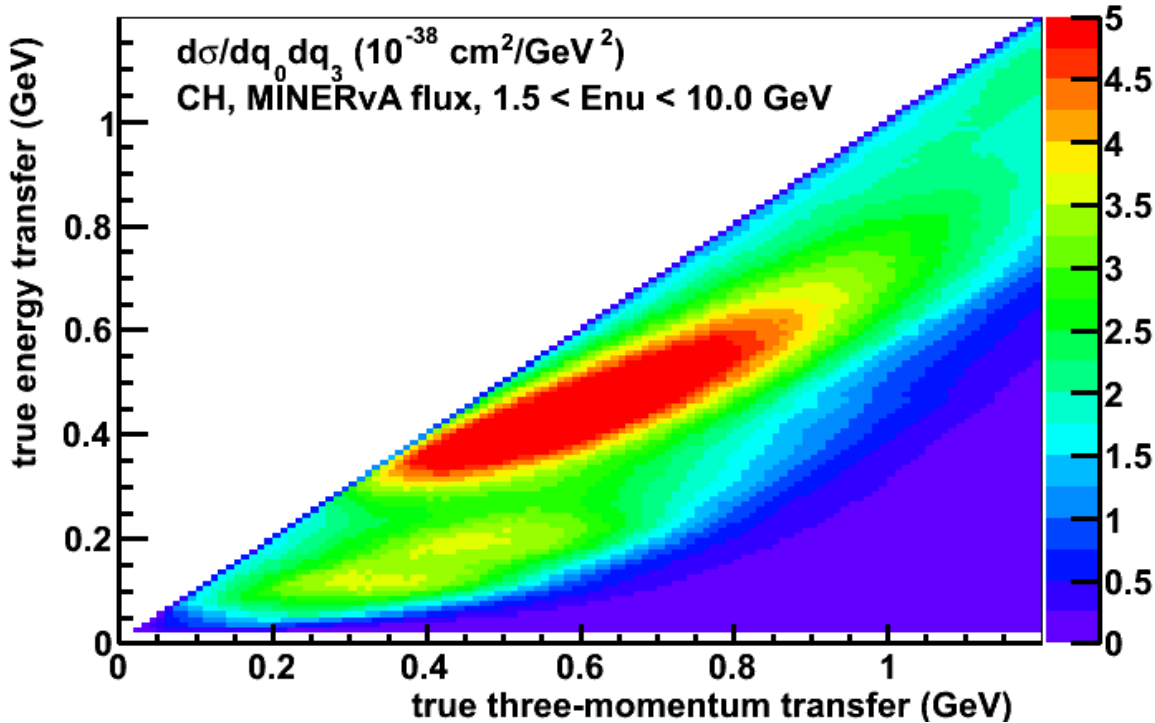
With QE+RPA

describes MiniBooNE data well
describes (e,e') data dip region

not shown, yes makes prediction
for nn, pn, and pp final state fractions
5/6 at Delta, 1/2 averaged elsewhere
but function of q_0q_3

Caution:
Model's valid range
 $q_3 < 1.2$ GeV

currently does not provide
kinematics of individual nucleons



2p2h in Q^2 and W^2

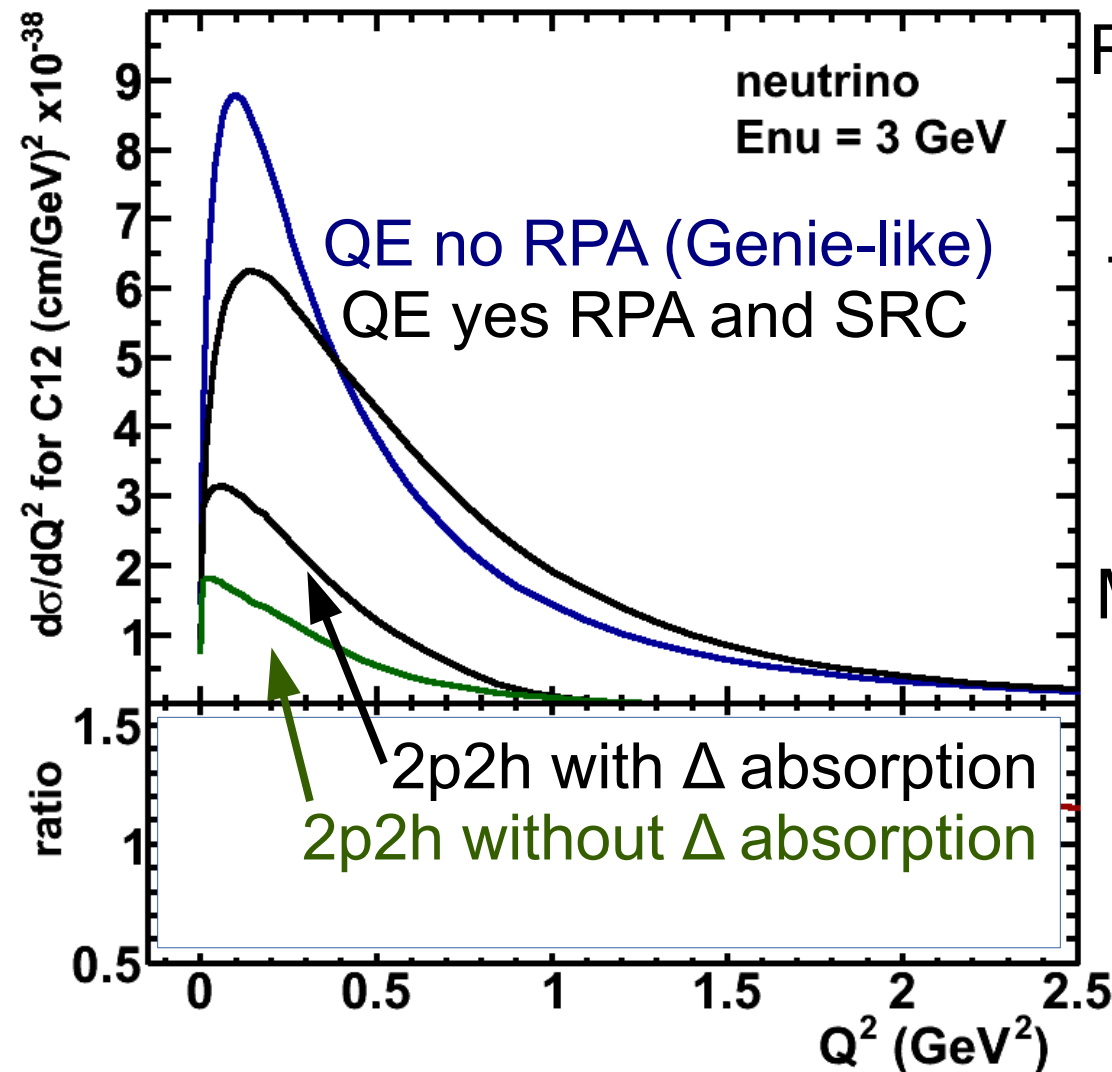
$$W^2 = M^2 + 2Mq_0 - Q^2$$

The “regular” 2p2h
in this calculation is
distinctly above QE
“fills in the dip”

Does not fall along line
of constant W^2
“crosses under QE”

Integrate out W^2 axis
to get Q^2 spectrum

RPA and SRC effects up to 10 GeV



RPA suppression at low Q^2 tuned to describe muon capture data

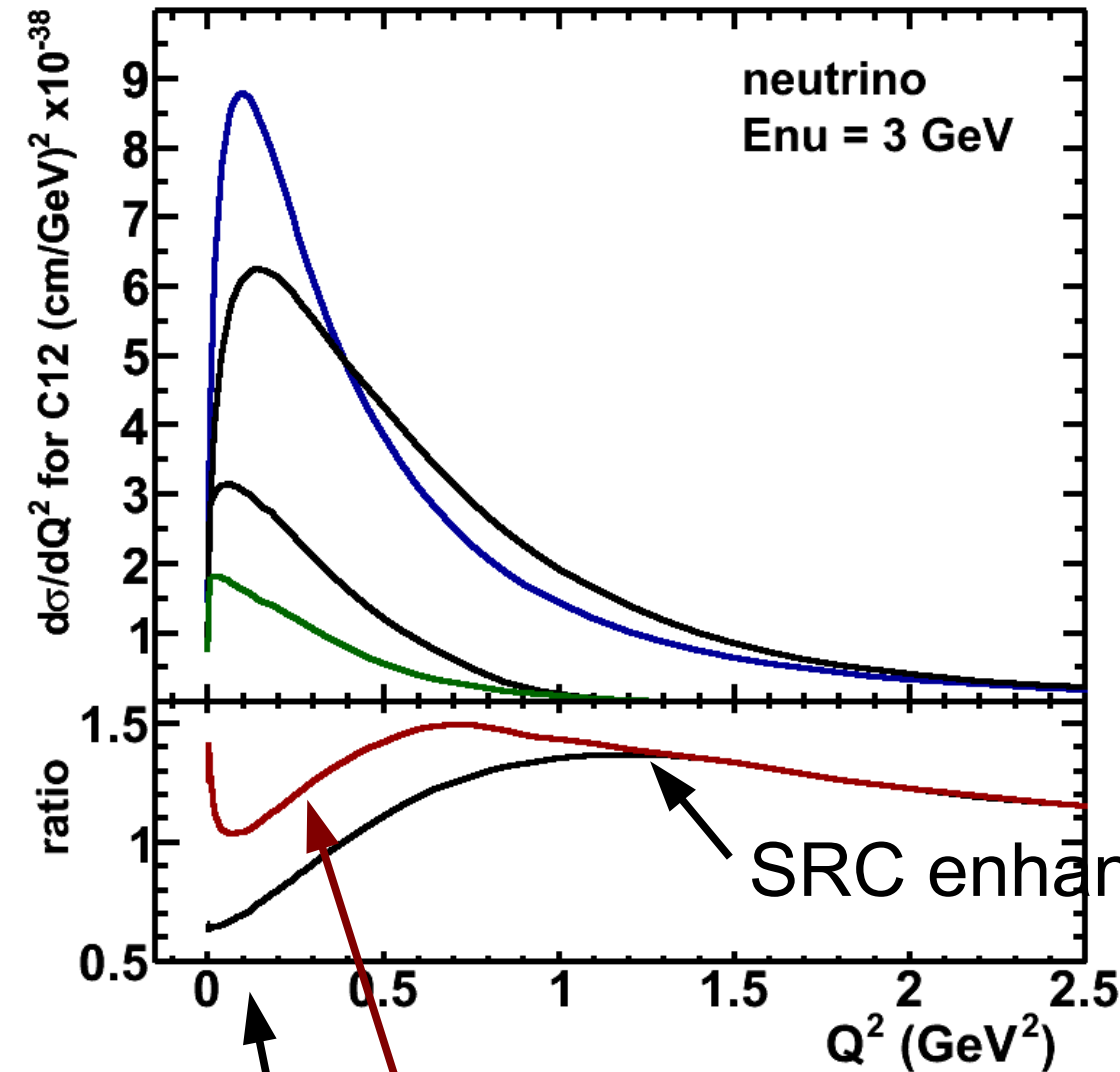
Transition to SRC enhancement must happen around 0.5 GeV², must be some enhancement

Magnitude of SRC enhancement is not especially tuned to data uncertain above 1.2 GeV².

Model has two variations
non-relativistic from 2004 paper
relativistic variant 2004 2013

Good approximation to implement Q^2 reweight for neutrino
picks up energy dependence vs. Q^2 for anti-neutrino
some improvement if model 2D kinematics

What 2p2h giveth, RPA taketh away



Prediction: two effects together shape for $0.2 < Q^2 < 1.0$ GeV² rising, harder, flatter spectrum compared to simple model

If your only knob is M_A , expect data to want higher M_A

2p2h enhancement and RPA together
LFG without RPA

RPA suppression alone

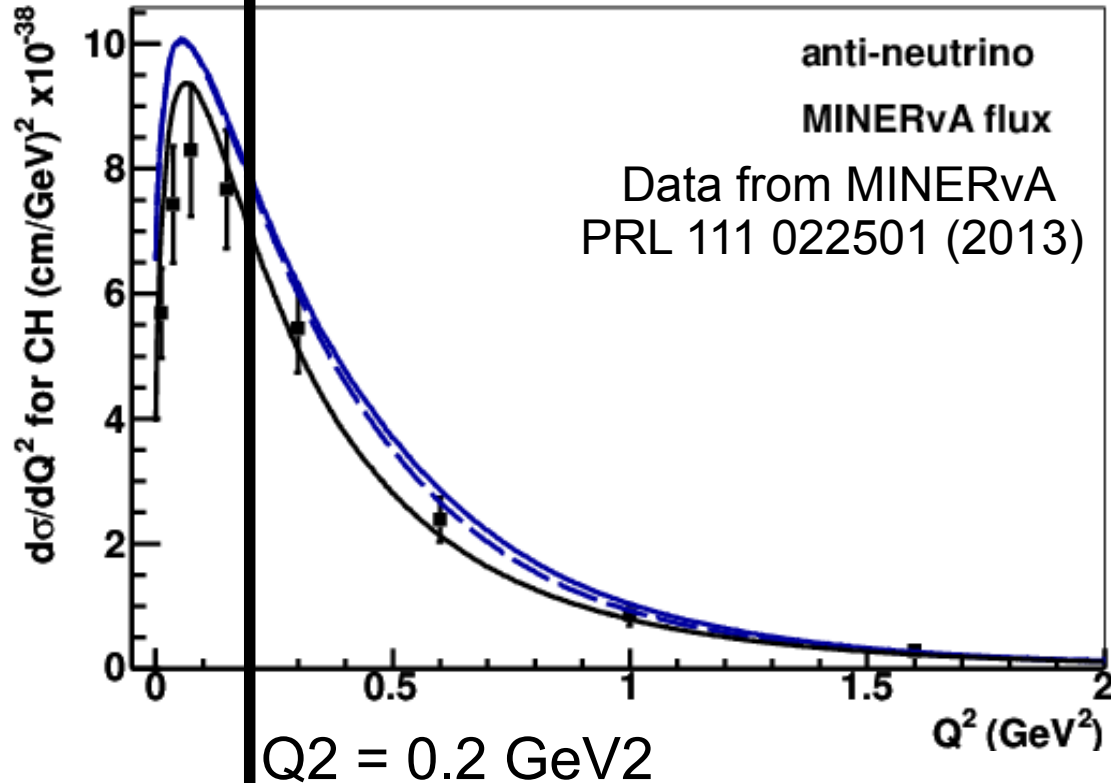
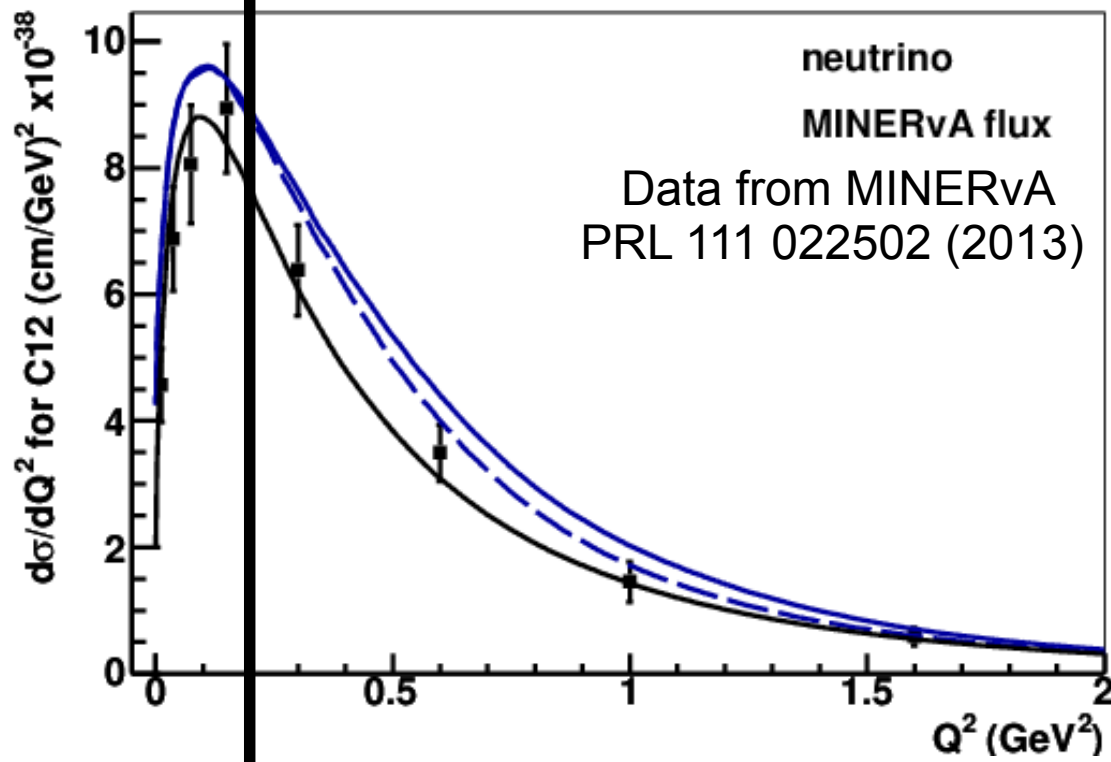
Comparison to MINERvA data

Black FGM
Blue 2p2h+QERPA

Absolute prediction high data uncertainties dominated by flux model is a little beyond 1σ

Dashed line shows the “relativistic” version of RPA+SRC

shape comparison₈ on next slide

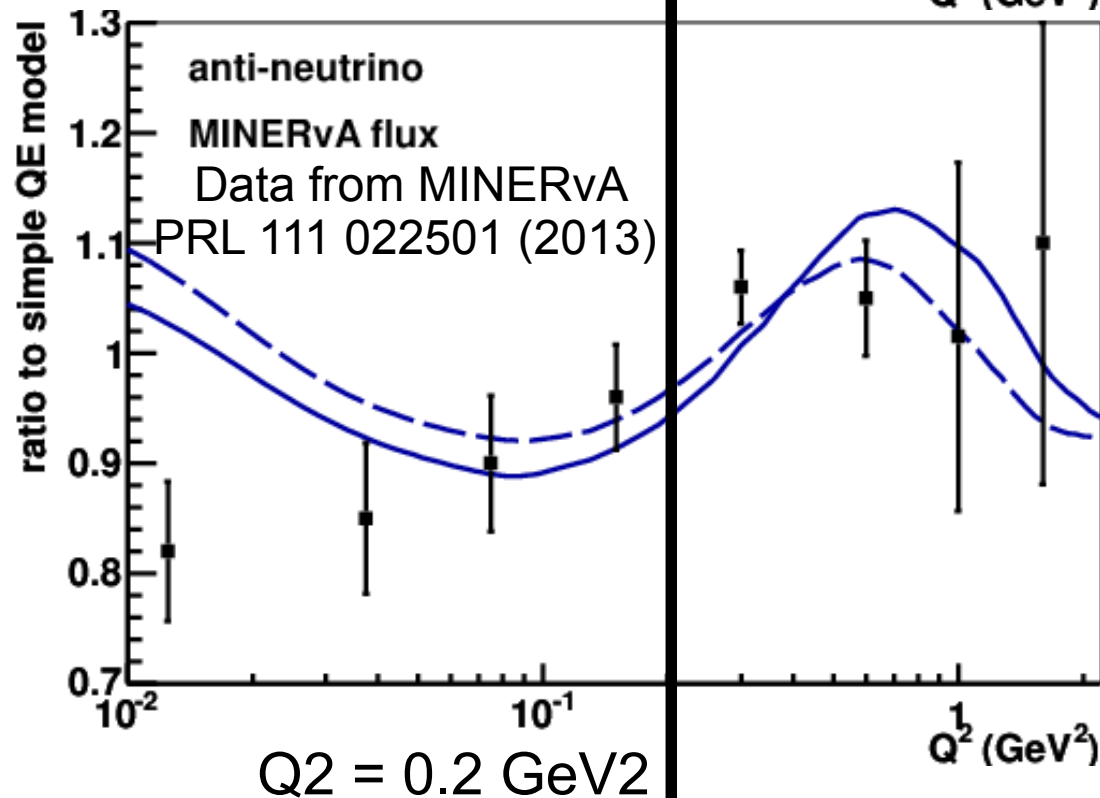
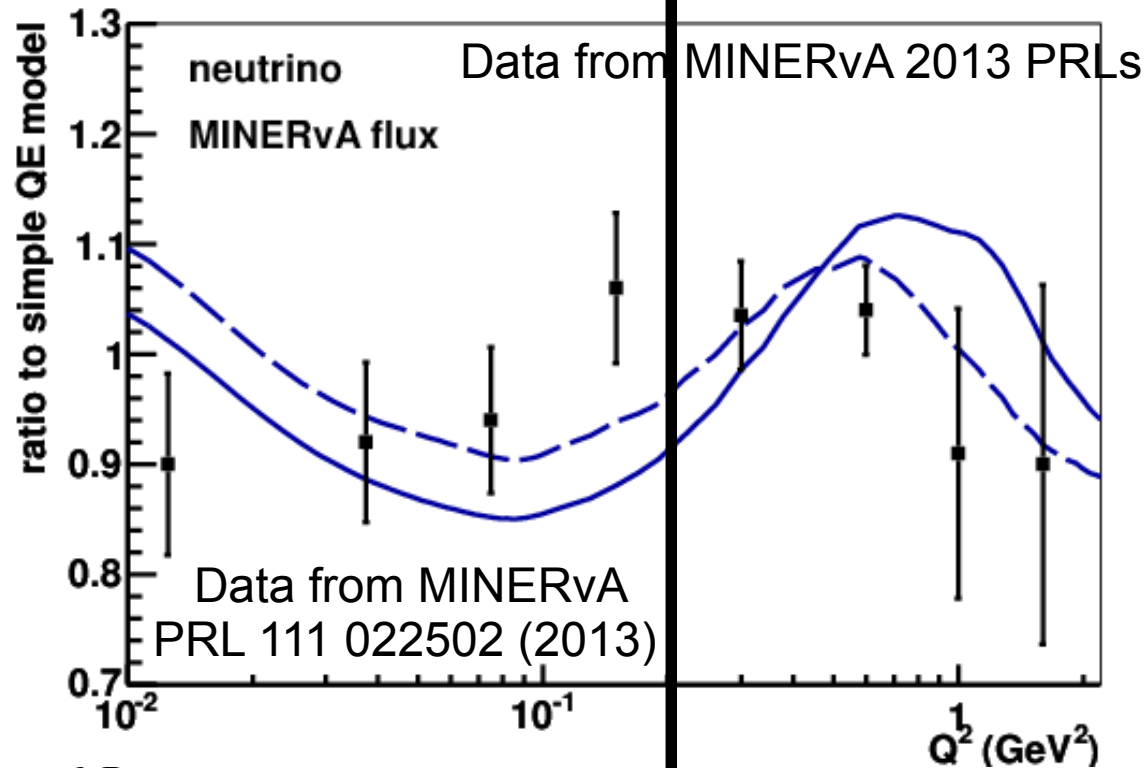


Comparison to shape MINERvA data

MINERvA data wants a rising shape relative to GENIE from 0.1 to $\sim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

The combination of MEC, RPA, and SRC effects predict same.

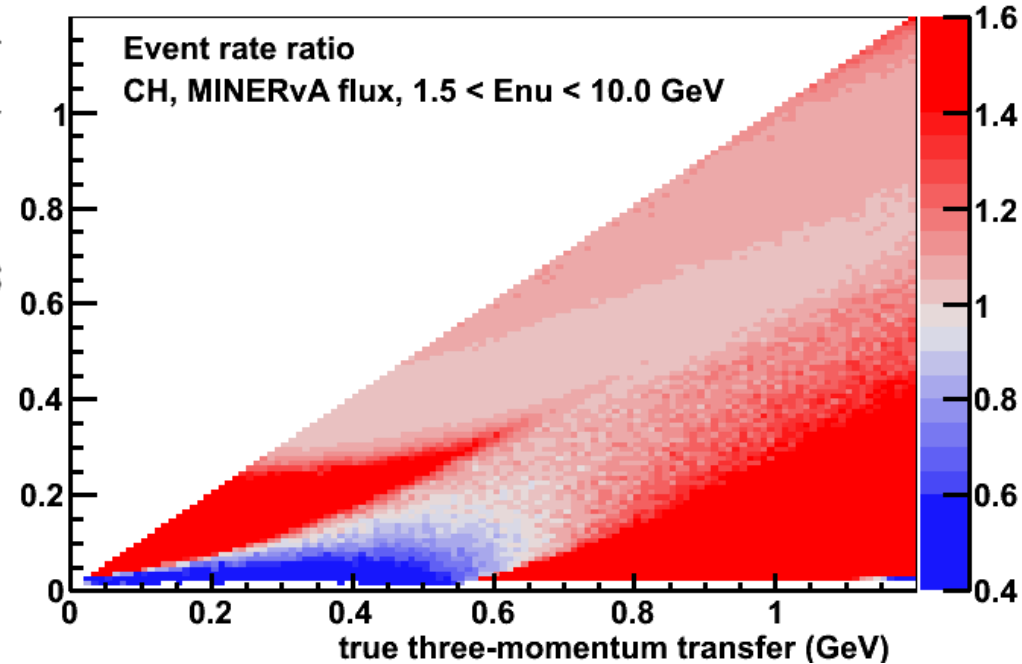
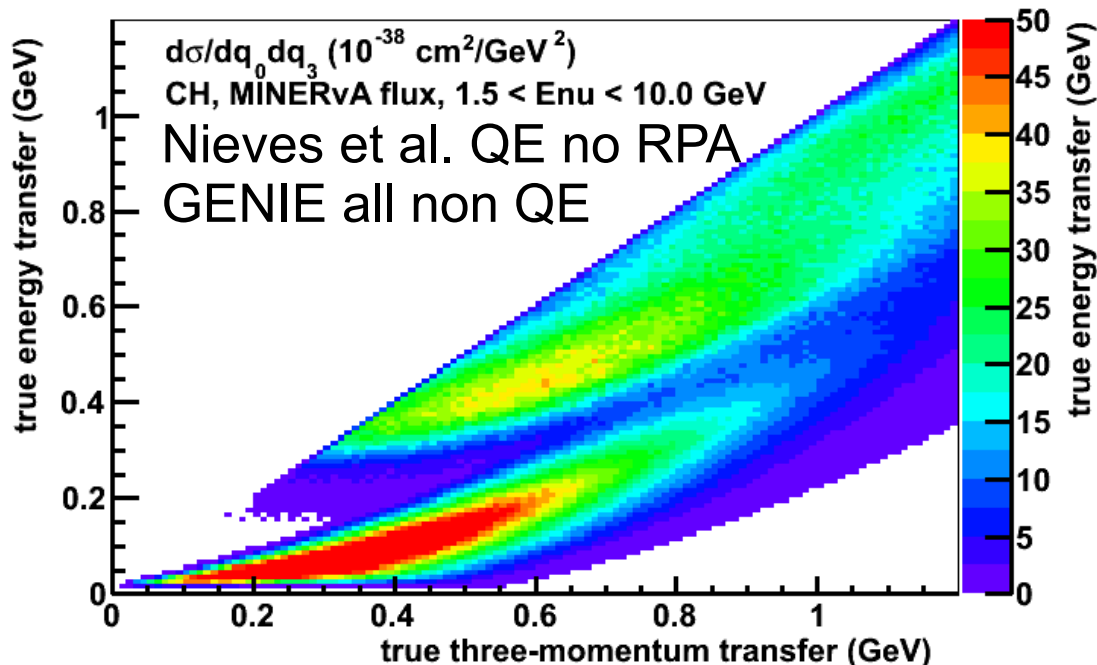
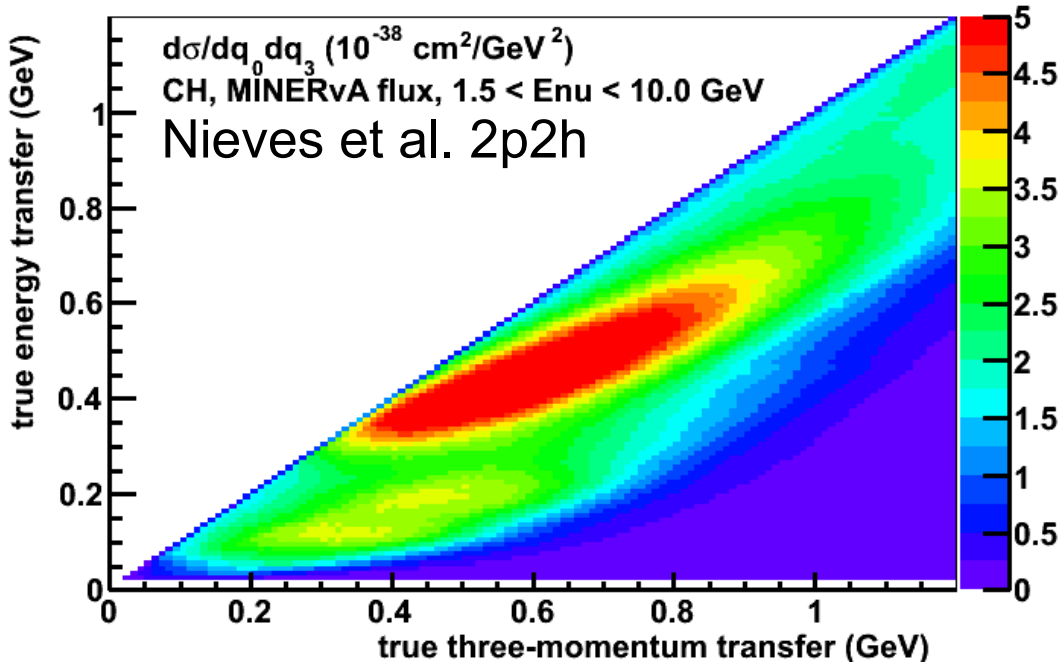
No quantitative comparison, distortion similar to previous “high M_A ” fit results



Beyond Q^2 distribution

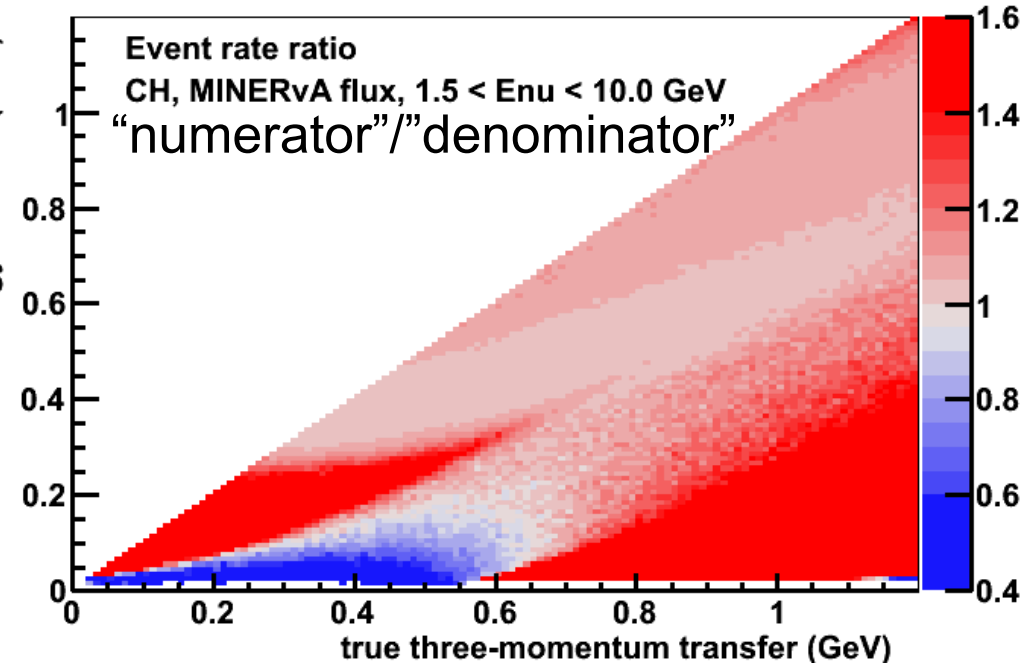
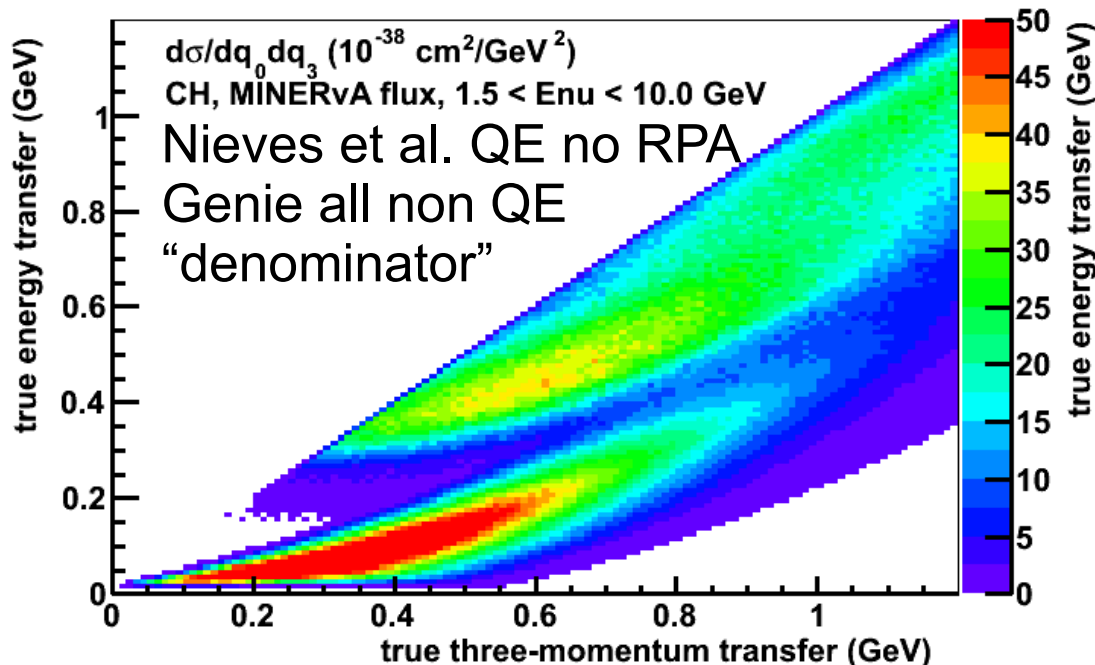
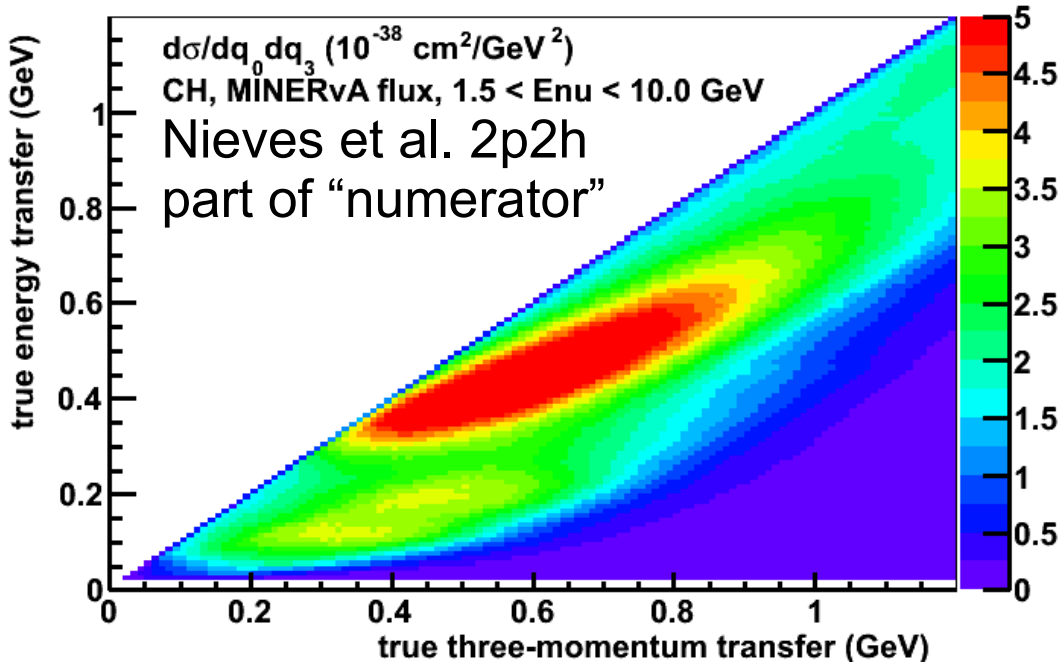
The 2p2h effect ends up enhancing the same Q^2 as the RPA suppresses

But these effects are separated in 2D



Beyond Q^2 distribution

Like an event generator
mix and match models
INCLUSIVE (ν, μ') scattering
Genie for nonQE non2p2h
Nieves et al. 2p2h
and QE with & without RPA

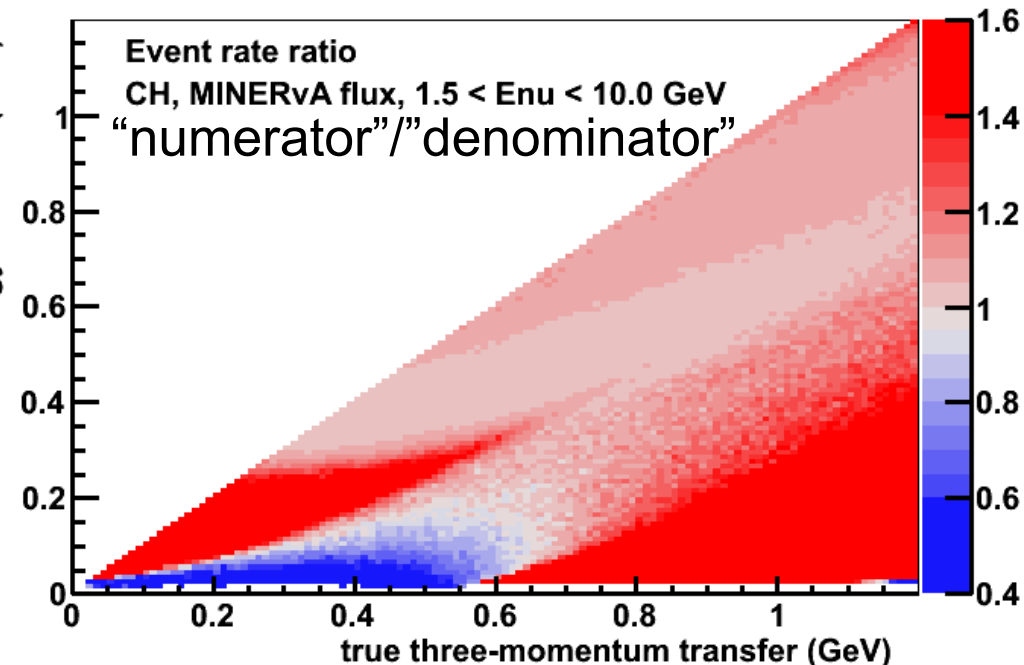
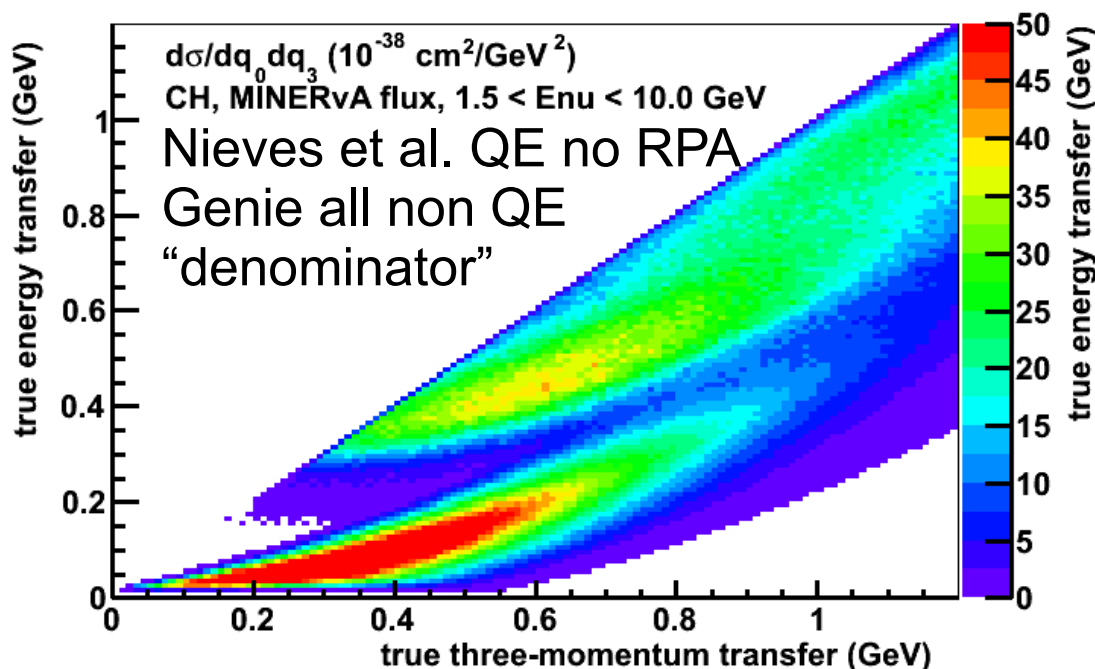
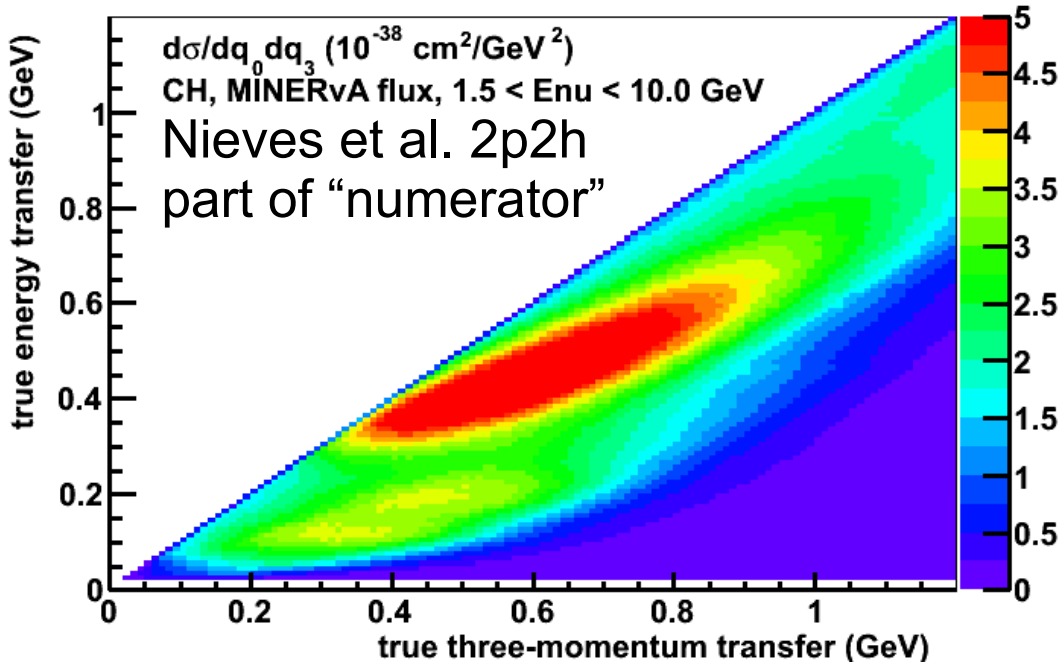


Beyond Q^2 distribution

ratio is

$2p2h+QE$ with RPA+Genie nonQE

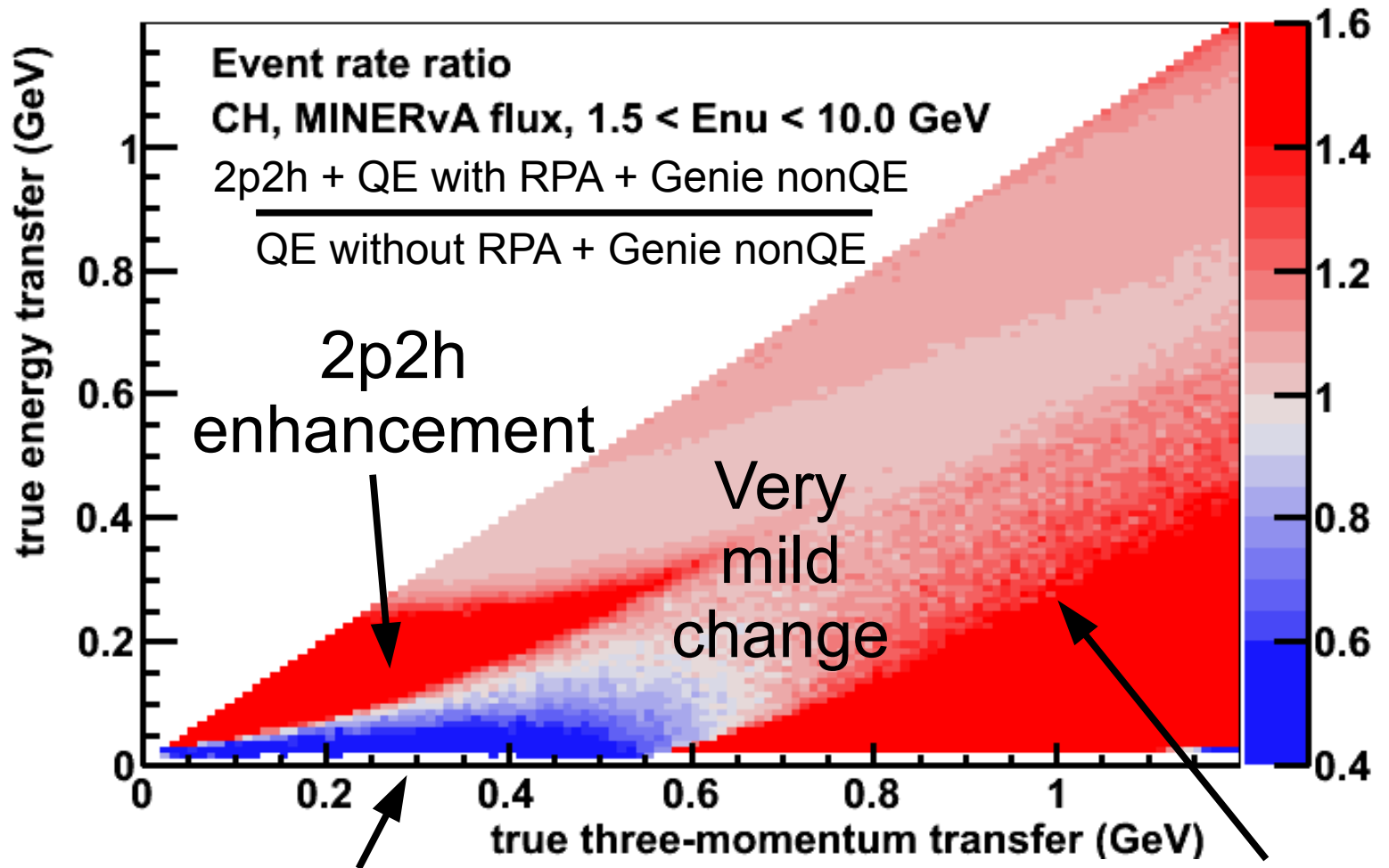
QE without RPA + Genie nonQE



2p2h and RPA effects should separate in 2D

Can't do this using QE kinematics.

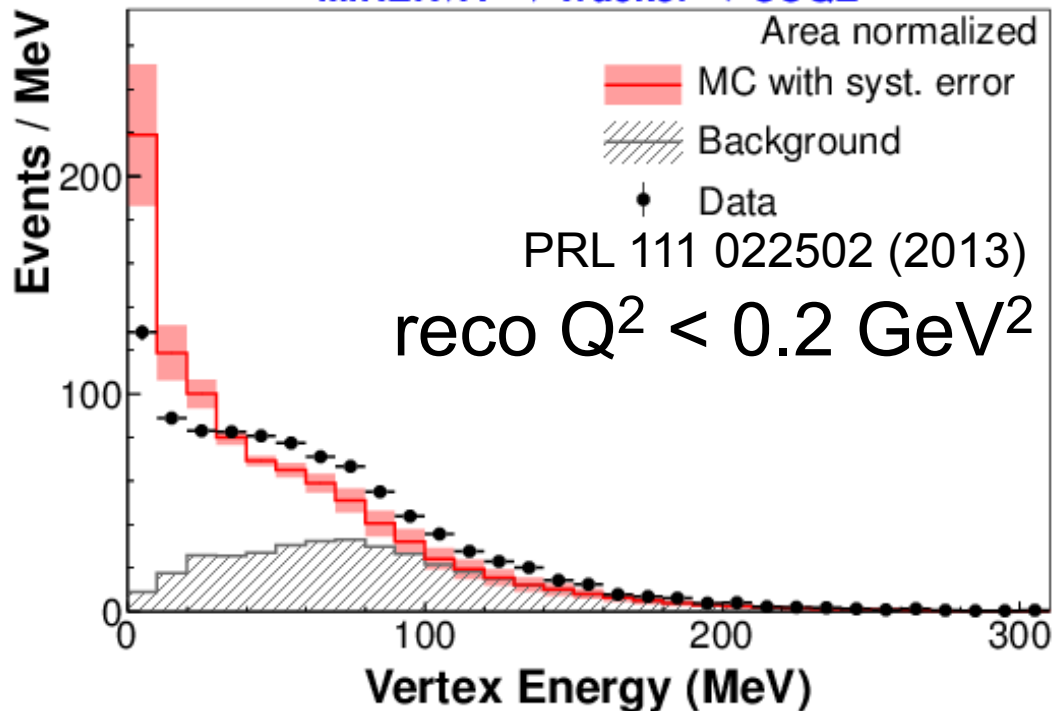
Need some Ehad estimator



RPA suppression SRC & 2p2h enhancement

Challenge with reconstructed kinematics
neutron FS content (missing energy) and resolution model
do large effects hold up against smearing?

MINERvA • ν Tracker \rightarrow CCQE

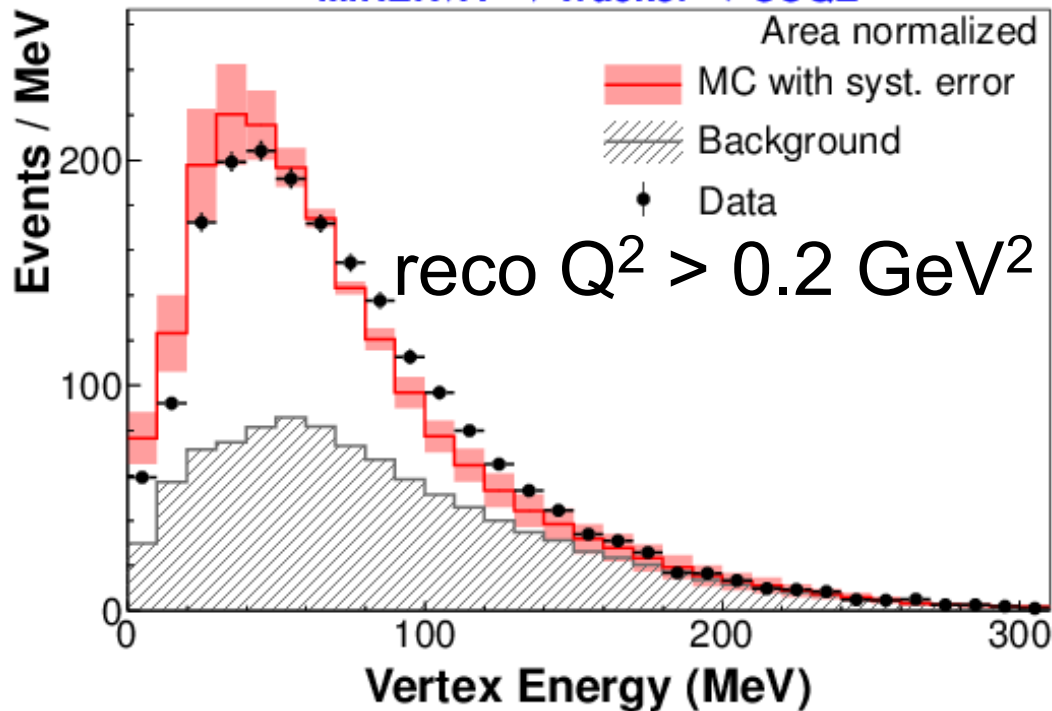


MINERvA hadrons from neutrino data

After QE selection
area normalized

Migration of MC to right
from -1σ FSI
captured by error band

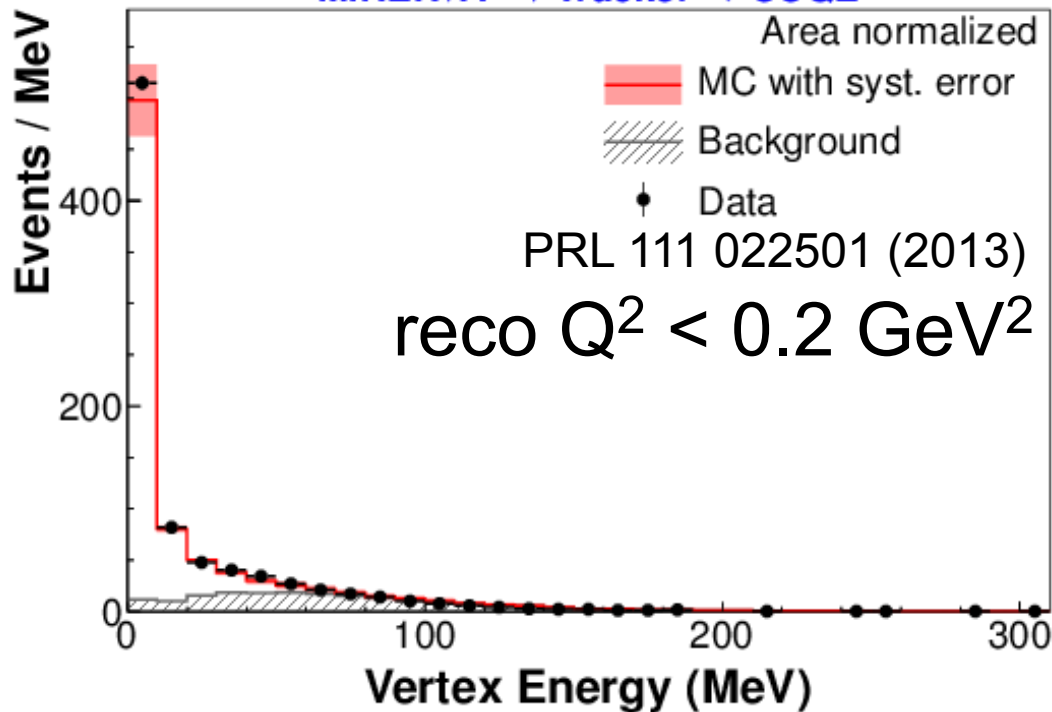
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Predict RPA takes away
dramatically from lowest bin
2p2h puts pn pp final states
into middle of distribution
strong effect $Q^2 < 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$

Little RPA effect
but some 2p2h
at $Q^2 > 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$

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MINERvA hadrons from anti-nu data

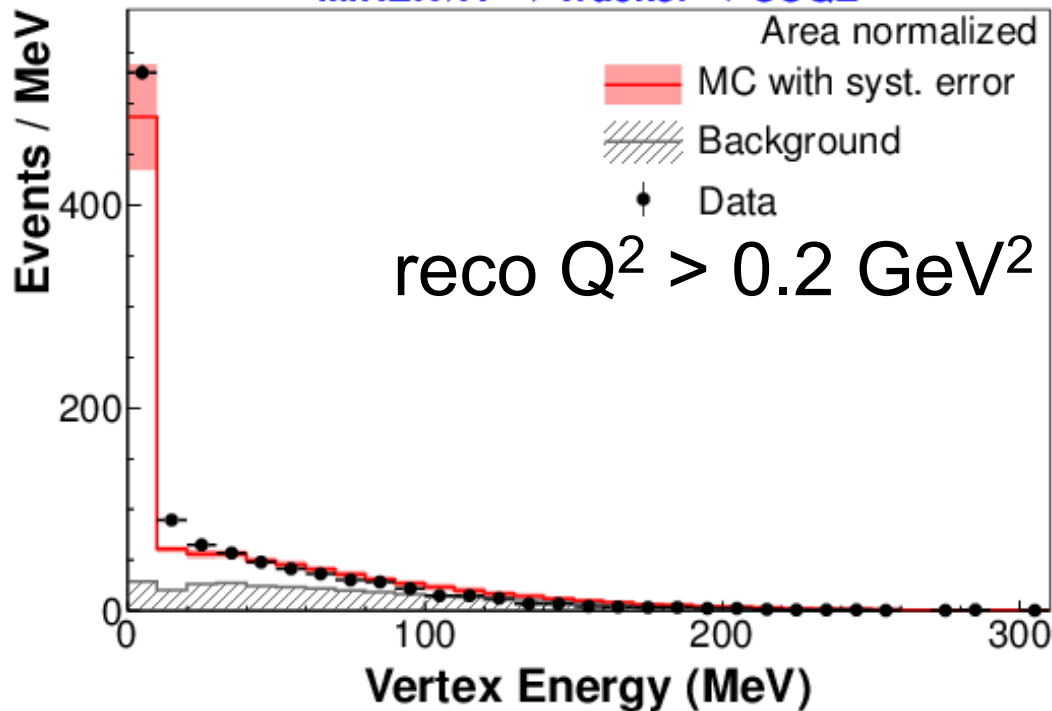
After QE selection
area normalized

Agreement is already okay

Predict RPA takes
low energy transfer
events out of zero-bin

2p2h adds events with
moderate energy transfer
but lots of nn final states
back to the zero bin

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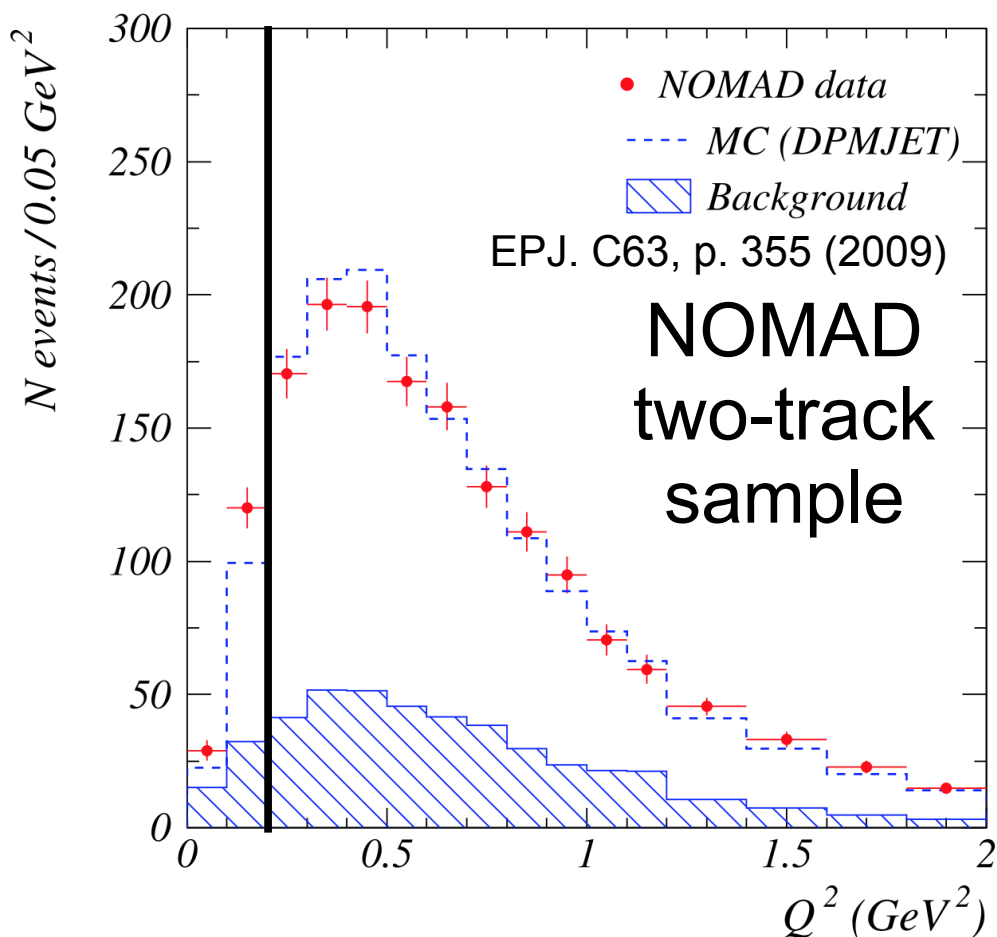
QE and QE-like event selection

Many experiments select sample with more QE purity
use both muon and proton kinematics to reject 2p2h and Delta
(also reject QE events with significant FSI)
NOMAD's 2-track sample is like this

Some reconstruct protons with high threshold
or separation of one-track and two-track samples
would put 2p2h (and FSI events) in the one-track sample
Most experiments have variation on this
2p2h signal and enhanced FSI might seem like same effect

Some experiments select QE-like = no pion
all models predict this is a combination of
true QE, Delta with FSI, Delta with $DN \rightarrow NN$ absorption, 2p2h

NOMAD



Low density straw-tube tracker
very low threshold for protons
ideal to look for pp final states

It would be very interesting to see these data reanalyzed with a 2p2h and RPA model in mind and see more of what their 1-track kinematics look like

Two track sample selected with constraint on p kinematics
I see an excess in the data at very low Q^2 , combined with a flatter distribution.

Paper mentions difficulty with, did tune FSI model to 1trk/2trk before $\sigma(E)$ based on event rate
MEC convoluted with FSI?

Conclusions

Feature-rich microscopic calculations,
like Nieves, Ruiz Simo, Vicente Vacas, et al.

Describes (e,e') data and MiniBooNE data

Quantitatively MINERvA data at $1.5 < E_\nu < 10$ GeV

Would account for high effective axial mass

Predicts a rich structure in 2D+Ehad kinematics
qualitatively describes MINERvA vertex energy discrepancy

Suggests a challenging but interesting road-less-traveled
for future analysis

Confirming the right physics would lead to model tuning¹⁸

citations and other references

2p2h model, QE+RPA model, both models [reorder and add color coding]

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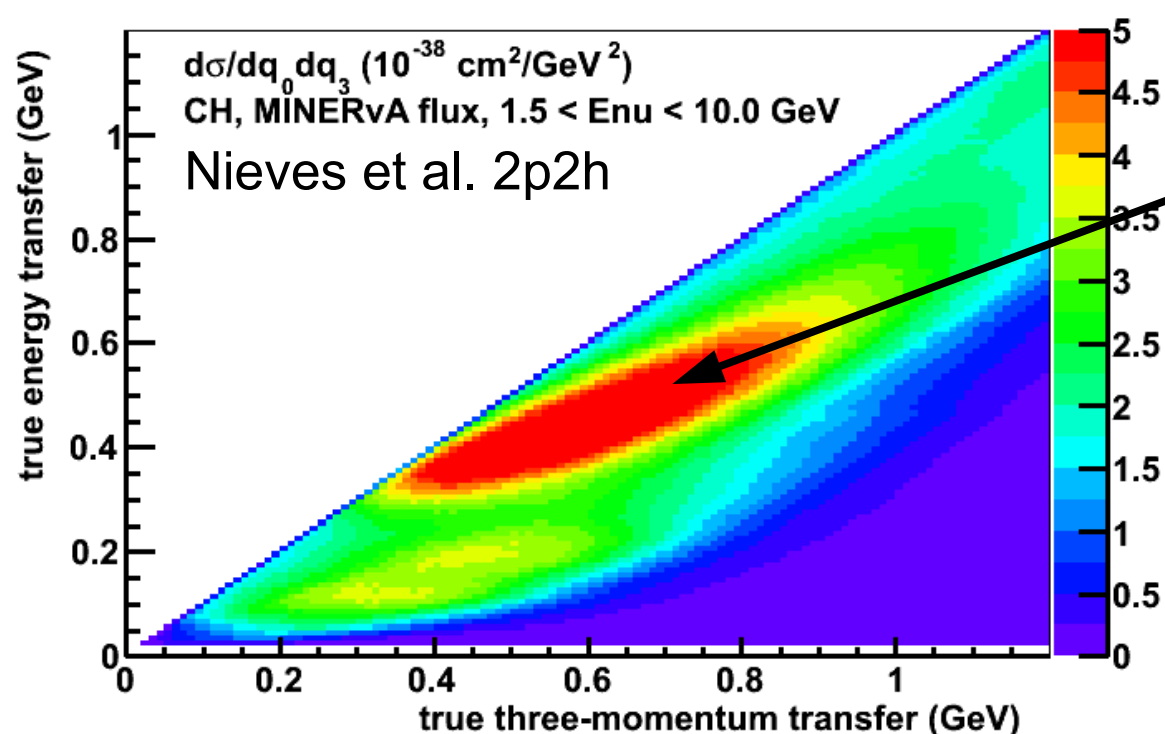
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Backup slides



zero pion from Δ

how do generators treat it?

add uncertainty beyond
our current FSI errors?
measurement opportunity?

Δ blob is important because of interference terms, but

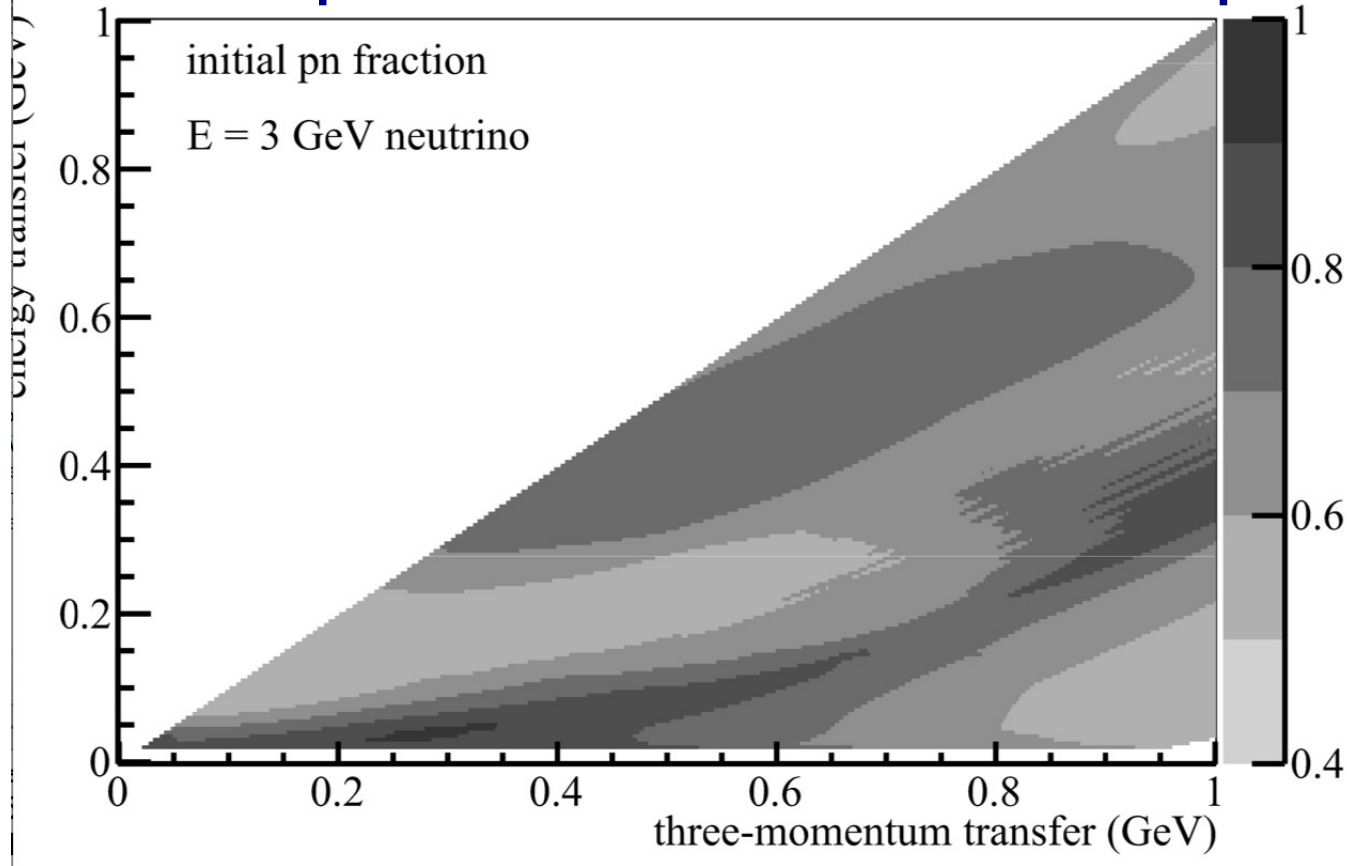
1. it is also an intrinsic no-pion component $\Delta N \rightarrow NN$

One supposes further rescattering of the NN final state

2. We also expect $\Delta N \rightarrow \pi NN \rightarrow NNNx$ through FSI

Among many challenges surrounding pion production
Some kinds of trouble modeling the QE-like background
could be underestimate or missing estimate of process 1
and overestimate of fraction that is $\Delta N \rightarrow \pi NN$

Experimental response and fraction with pn initial state



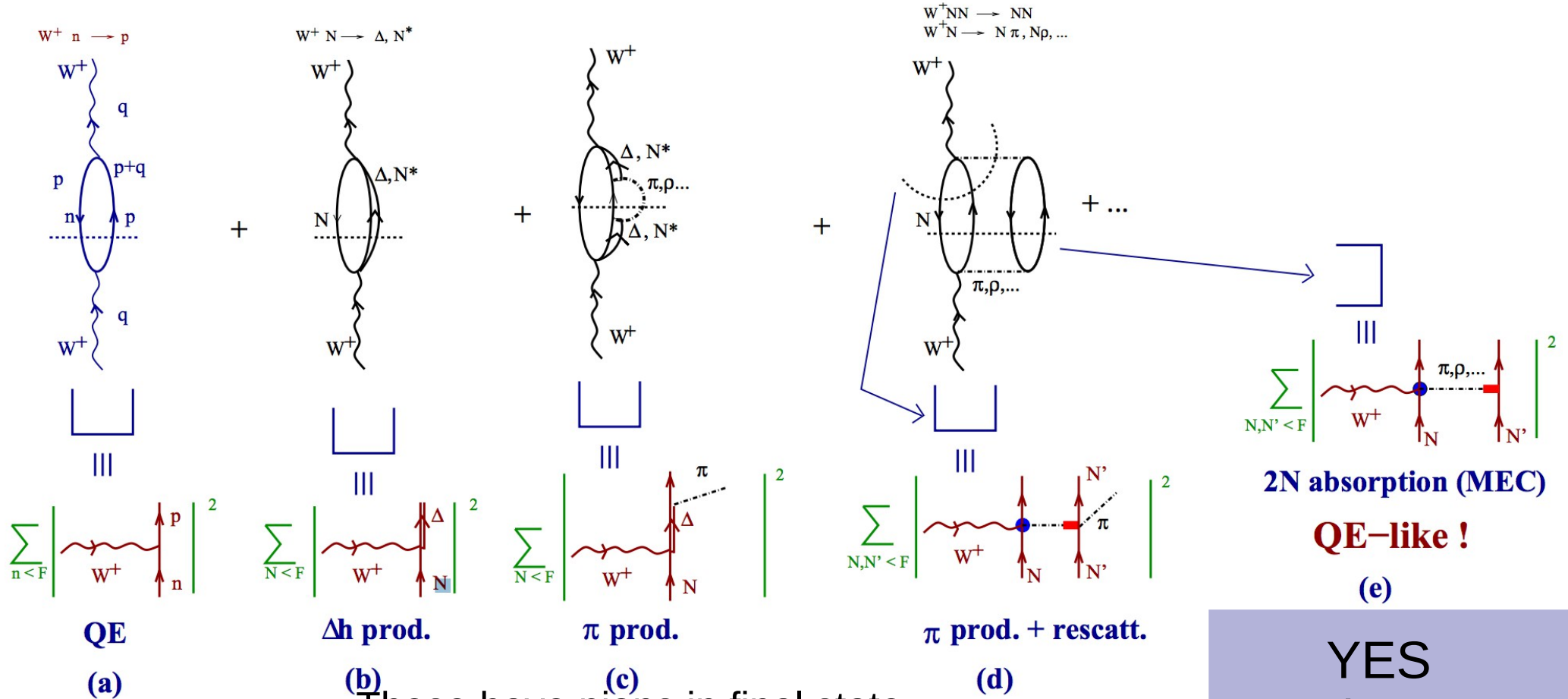
Structure in the 2p2h events from pn initial to pp final state
intrinsically high 5/6 at the Δ peak
elsewhere averages to about 50/50

before FSI produces excess QE-like events with two protons
SRC results in e scattering suggest very high pn initial state

dependence on A for isoscalar nuclei

	non Δ linear	Δ >linear
16O / 12C	1.33	1.5
40Ca / 12C	3.33	4.0

Microscopic calculation of these diagrams



These have pions in final state

YES

No

No

No

YES
but
two types
w&wo Δ

In the work I'm presenting today?

with and without RPA