T2K Recent Cross-Section Results

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The T2K Experiment

• Tokai-to-Kamioka (T2K): Neutrino Oscillation experiment



T2K Beam

- Off-axis experiment
- Beam is aimed 2.5⁰ off the direction to the Super-K
 - Narrow-band v beam
 - Reduce background from high energy tail





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- Off-Axis (ND280):
 - Pi-Zero Detector (PØD)
 - Tracker
 - 3 Time Projection Chambers (TPC)
 - 2 Fine-Grain Detectors (FGD)
 - Surrounded by Electromagnetic Calorimeters
 - Housed inside a 0.2 T Magnet







T2K Far Detector

• Super-Kamiokande (SK)

50 kton Water Cherenkov detector
41.4 m high, 39.3 m in diameter
13k phototubes
Very efficient in µ/e separation







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• For "Best fit" and background prediction T2K needs: a Near Detector to constrain (unoscillated) beam flux $\times \sqrt[[-]{v}$ Cross sections









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1.5m

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Num. of selected events

60

40

20

 $\times 10^3$

 $\frac{3}{E_v}$ (GeV)

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- Neutrino flux
 - Flux prediction, for $E_v < 3$ GeV: ~95% v_{μ}

| | | Neutrino energy range [GeV] | | | |
|------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Flavor | 0-1 | 1-2 | 2-3 | 3-4 | >4 |
| ν_{μ} | 94.2% | 96.8% | 95.4% | 89.7% | 86.5% |
| $\overline{\nu}_{\mu}$ | 4.8% | 2.7% | 3.8% | 7.9% | 9.3% |
| v _e | 0.9% | 0.5% | 0.7% | 2.0% | 3.5% |
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 - Down Stream (DS)-escaping
 - non-DS-escaping





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 beam flux, physics models, detector response and pion Final State Interaction (FSI)/Secondary Interaction (SI)



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- Results
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 - Final 3 E_v measurements
 (averaging on neighboring bins)

$$\sigma^{CC}(1.1 \text{ GeV}) = (1.10 \pm 0.15) \times 10^{-38} \text{ cm}^2 / \text{nucleon}$$

$$\sigma^{CC}(2.0 \text{ GeV}) = (2.07 \pm 0.27) \times 10^{-38} \text{ cm}^2 / \text{nucleon}$$

$$\sigma^{CC}(3.3 \text{ GeV}) = (2.29 \pm 0.45) \times 10^{-38} \text{ cm}^2 / \text{nucleon}$$

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| Source | with side-bands | without side-bands |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| XSection parameters | 8.07% | 9.4% |
| FSI | 1.6% | 1.75% |
| Flux | 15.9% | 18.14% |
| B-Field | 0.11% | 0.093% |
| Charge confusion | 6.24% | 6.99% |
| FGD mass | 0.73% | 1.02% |
| FGD PID | 0.07% | negl. |
| Michel syst. | 0.33% | 0.356% |
| Momentum resolution | 0.62% | 0.33% |
| Momentum scale | 0.38% | 0.38% |
| OOFV | 4.6% | 5.17% |
| Pile-up | 0.16% | 0.219% |
| ECal efficiency | 0.24% | 0.48% |
| SI Pion | 5.04% | 5.28% |
| TPC cluster efficiency | 0.0002% | 0.001% |
| TPC-FGD matching efficiency | 0.07% | 0.096% |
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 - Tight timing cut (around beam bunch time)
 - 4 MeV $\leq E_{\text{Reco}} \leq 30 \text{ MeV}$
 - Remove beam-related background
 - Reject likely decay electron events
 - \circ Cherenkov angle cut > 34⁰
 - <u>Observed</u>: 43 electron-like events



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- Dominant systematics
 - $\circ~$ Primary (15%) and secondary (13%) γ productions
 - Flux uncertainty (10%)
- First measured v-Oxygen NCQE cross section⁹



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 - ν_µ CC-0π (CCQE) cross section on C with proton information

See S. Dolan's talk Parallel #1, WG2

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- v_{μ} CC-1 π cross section on H₂O
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- . . .



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T2K Results: J-PARC/Beam

• Protons-On-Target (POT) for T2K Runs 1-7



27 May 2016 POT total: 1.510×10²¹ (POT = Proton on target) v-mode POT: 7.57×10²⁰ (50.14%) ⊽-mode POT: 7.53×10²⁰ (49.86%)







| | Before ND | After ND |
|---|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Parameter | <u>constraint</u> | <u>constraint</u> |
| M_A^{QE} (GeV/c ²) | 1.21 ± 0.45 | 1.24 ± 0.07 |
| E_B (¹² C) (MeV) | 25 ± 9 | 30.9 ± 5.2 |
| $p_F(^{12}C)$ (MeV/c) | 217 ± 30.0 | 266.3 ± 10.6 |
| $\frac{\text{CCQE norm}}{Ev < 1.5 \text{ GeV}}$ | 1.00 ± 0.11 | 0.97 ± 0.08 |
| CCQE norm $1.5 < Ev < 3.5$ GeV | 1.00 ± 0.30 | 0.93 ± 0.10 |
| $\frac{\text{CCQE norm}}{Ev > 3.5 \text{ GeV}}$ | 1.00 ± 0.30 | 0.93 ± 0.10 |
| M_A^{RES} (GeV/c ²) | 1.41 ± 0.11 | <mark>0.96</mark> ±0.07 |
| π -less Δ decay fraction | 0.20 ± 0.20 | 0.21 ± 0.08 |
| $\frac{CC1\pi^0 \text{ norm}}{Ev < 2.5 \text{ GeV}}$ | 1.15 ± 0.43 | 1.26 ± 0.16 |
| $\frac{\text{CC1}\pi^0 \text{ norm}}{Ev > 2.5 \text{ GeV}}$ | 1.00 ± 0.40 | 1.12 ± 0.17 |
| CC coherent norm | 1.00 ± 1.00 | 0.45 ± 0.16 |
| $NC\pi^0$ norm | 0.96 ± 0.43 | 1.13 ± 0.25 |
| CC other shape | 0.00 ± 0.40 | 0.23 ± 0.29 |
| NC other norm | 1.00 ± 0.30 | 1.41 ± 0.22 |
| | | |

Please see D. Cherdack talk 87 (Plenary #6) for the latest parameters











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v_{μ} CC Inclusive in E_v range 1-3 GeV

• Final Errors

TABLE XI. Contribution to the uncertainty on the cross-section normalization at 1.1, 2.0, and 3.0 GeV from each error source.

| Error source | 1.1 GeV | 2.0 GeV | 3.3 GeV |
|---------------------------|----------------------|---------|----------------|
| Statistical error | 2.0% | 0.6% | 2.3% |
| Flux + stat | 7.6% | 9.0% | 8.4% |
| Detector + stat | 4.3% | 0.9% | 3.9% |
| Interaction $(cc) + stat$ | 3.7% | 0.8% | 4.8% |
| Interaction (nc) + stat | 2.4% | 0.9% | 3.2% |
| Pion FSI | $^{+1.0\%}_{-1.9\%}$ | 0.5% | +3.7% -2.9% |
| Pion multiplicity | 3.3% | 5.1% | 2.1% |
| Pion SI | 5.6% | 2.0% | 6.9% |





FIG. 26. Error (left) and correlation (right) matrices for the cross-section normalization at 1.1, 2.0, and 3.3 GeV. In both of the matrices, the binning on the y axis is identical to that on the x axis.

v_{μ} CC $1\pi^{+}$ on CH

- · Case A: full phase-space.
- Case B: $\cos \theta_{\mu} > 0.2$, $\cos \theta_{\pi} > 0.2$, $p_{\mu} > 200 MeV$, $p_{\pi} > 200 MeV$. Not using the ME sample.
- Case C: $\cos \theta_{\mu} > 0.2$, $p_{\mu} > 200 MeV$. If using the ME sample.
- Case D: cos θ_μ > 0., cos θ_π > 0.2, p_μ > 0MeV, p_π > 200MeV. For the double differential measurement on muon kinematical variables, then, low efficiency is covered by bin sizes.
- Case E: $\cos \theta_{\mu} > 0.2$, $\cos \theta_{\pi} > 0.$, $p_{\mu} > 200 MeV$, $p_{\pi} > 200 MeV$. For the pion angle differential result, then, low efficiency is covered by bin sizes.
- Case F: cos θ_μ > 0.2, p_μ > 200MeV, p_π > 0MeV. For the pion momentum differential result, then, low efficiency is covered by bin sizes.
- Case G: cos θ_μ > 0.2, cos θ_π > 0.2, p_μ > 200MeV, p_π > 0MeV. For the pion momentum differential result if no ME sample is used, then, low efficiency is covered by bin sizes.
- Case H: $\cos \theta_{\mu} > 0.2$, $\cos \theta_{\pi} > 0.2$, $p_{\mu} > 0 MeV$, $p_{\pi} > 200 MeV$. For the muon momentum differential result, then, low efficiency is covered by bin sizes.

