

# Pion Production - Pion Nucleus Interactions

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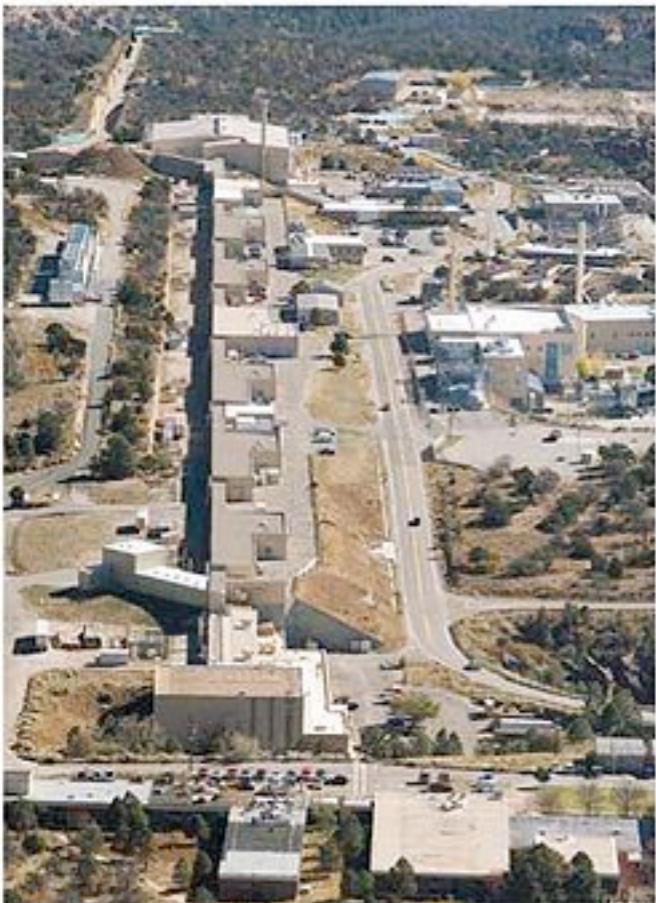
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set the stage for a discussion how pion production and absorption are handled in neutrino generators.  
build the bridge from production to final state interactions  
cover the full reaction from the start ( $(\nu, e + A)$  makes a pion) through the intermediate steps (pion-nucleus interactions) to the final free pion coming out from the nucleus. Say something also about resonance physics and DIS.

General remark:  
Can't separate production and final state interaction      1/26

# History

Los Alamos Meson Physics Facility  
1970-1995

Pion beams 100-600 MeV  
made by 800 MeV protons



TRIUMF 1970-  
500 MeV Protons  
chaos detector



PSI  
pions from 10 to 500 MeV/c



Many experiments of relevance

## Baryon Resonance Analysis from SAID<sup>\*</sup>

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**Abstract** We discuss the analysis of data from  $\pi N$  elastic scattering and single pion photo- and electroproduction. The main focus is a study of low-lying non-strange baryon resonances. Here we concentrate on some difficulties associated with resonance identification, in particular the Roper and higher  $P_{11}$  states.

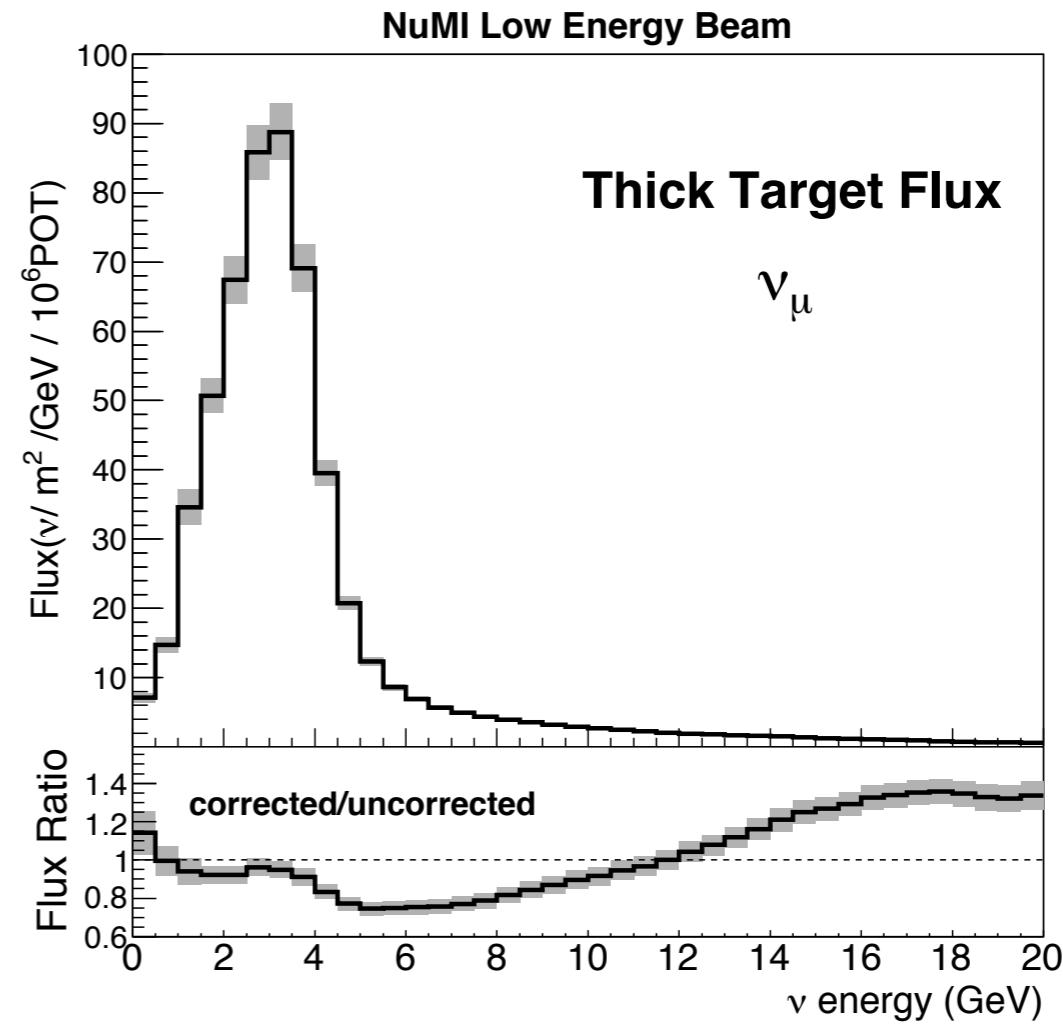
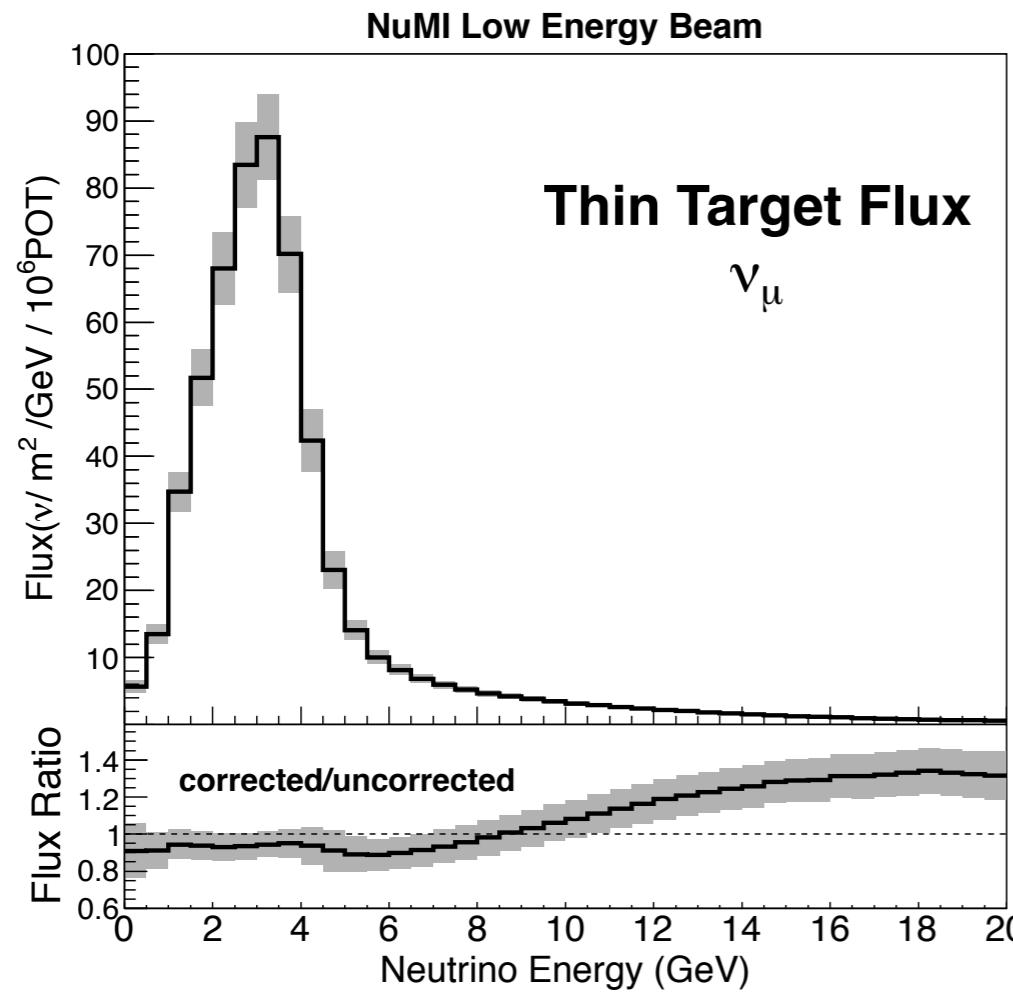
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Using Data >> Using theory

Partial-Wave Analyses at GW  
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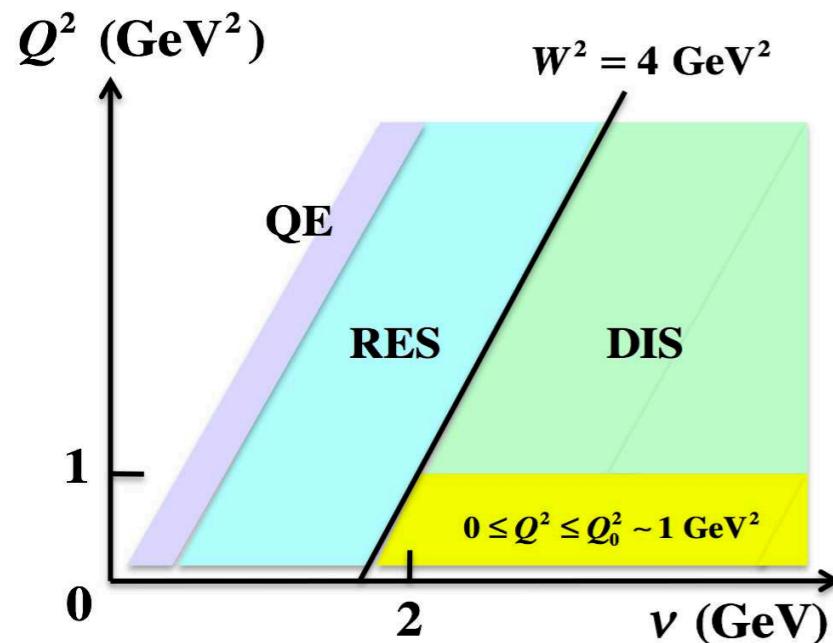
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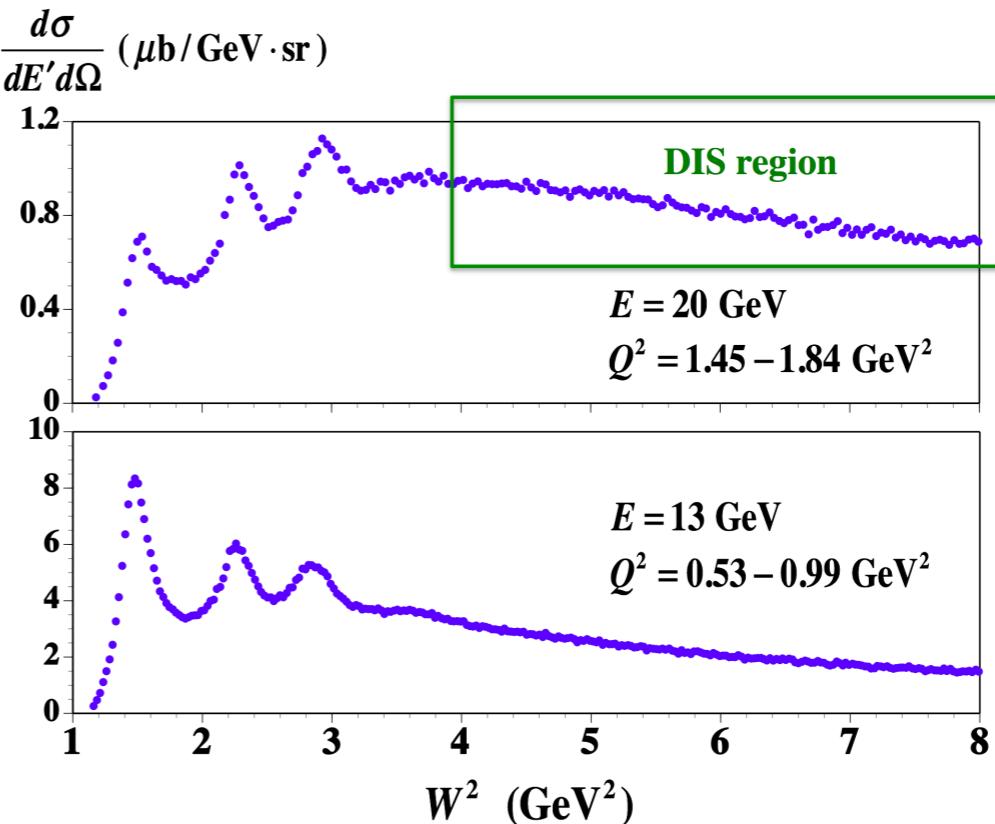
# What nus do



**Fig. 1.** Kinematical regions of neutrino-nucleus scattering.

Kumano slides

hints from electron scattering



**Fig. 2.** Electron-proton scattering cross sections [3].

QE- quasielastic  $\nu + N \rightarrow \mu + N$

RES- resonance-probably dominant source  $\nu + N \rightarrow \mu + (N^*, \Delta) \rightarrow N + \pi$ , or  $\pi, \pi$

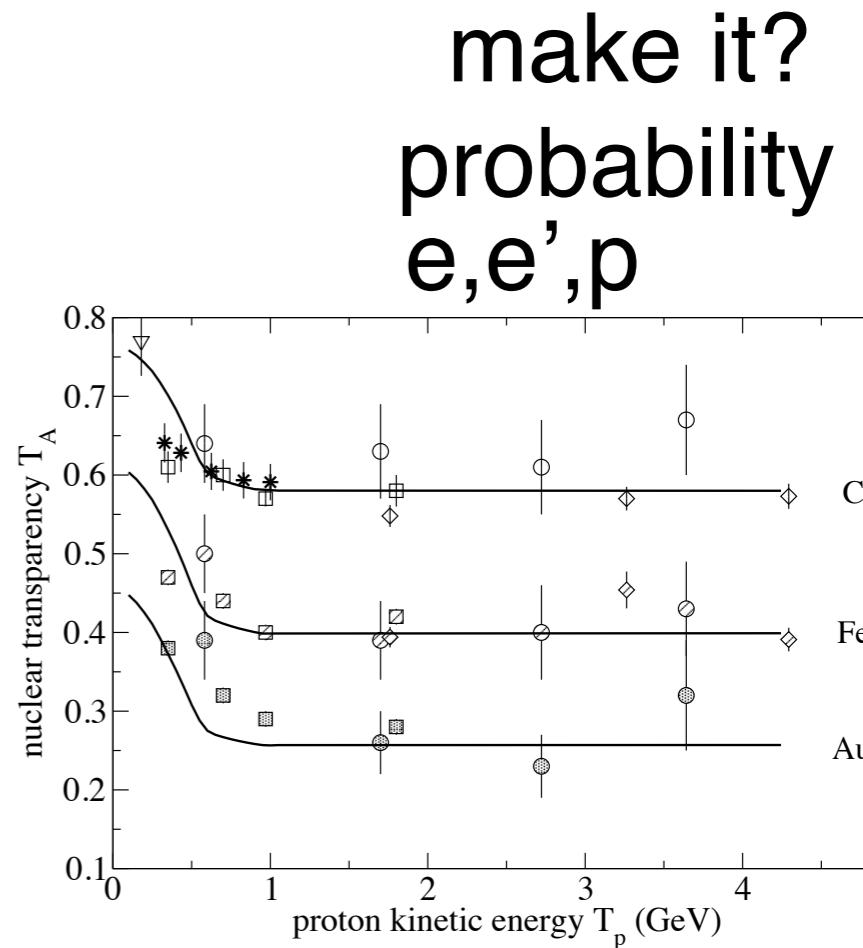
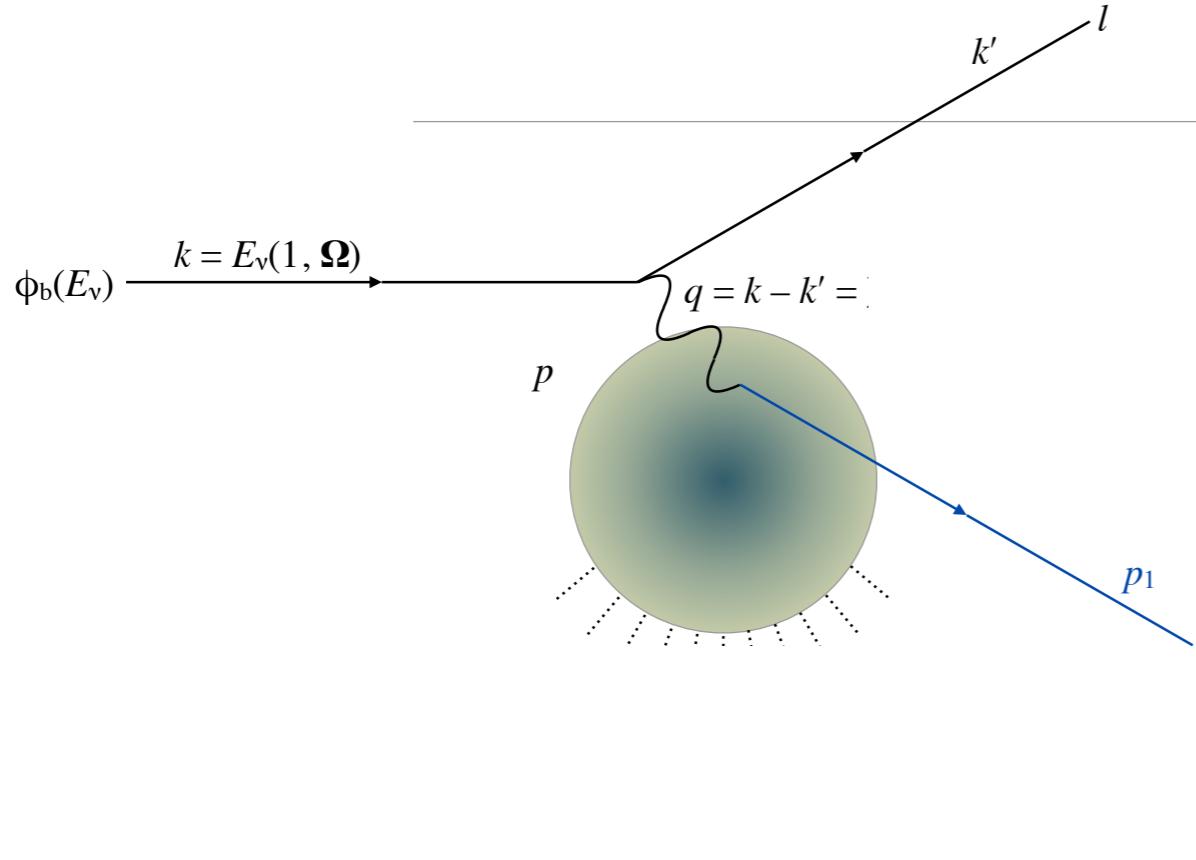
DIS- deep inelastic  $\nu + N \rightarrow \pi + X$ , but  $X$  could contain pions

Quasi elastic scattering can lead to  
Everything that a pion can do

# Quasi-elastic scattering

$x = 1, \nu = 1 M, Q^2 = 2 M^2$      $M$  is nucleon mass  $\rightarrow 1$

Nucleon (initial at rest) has energy  
can make it to detector



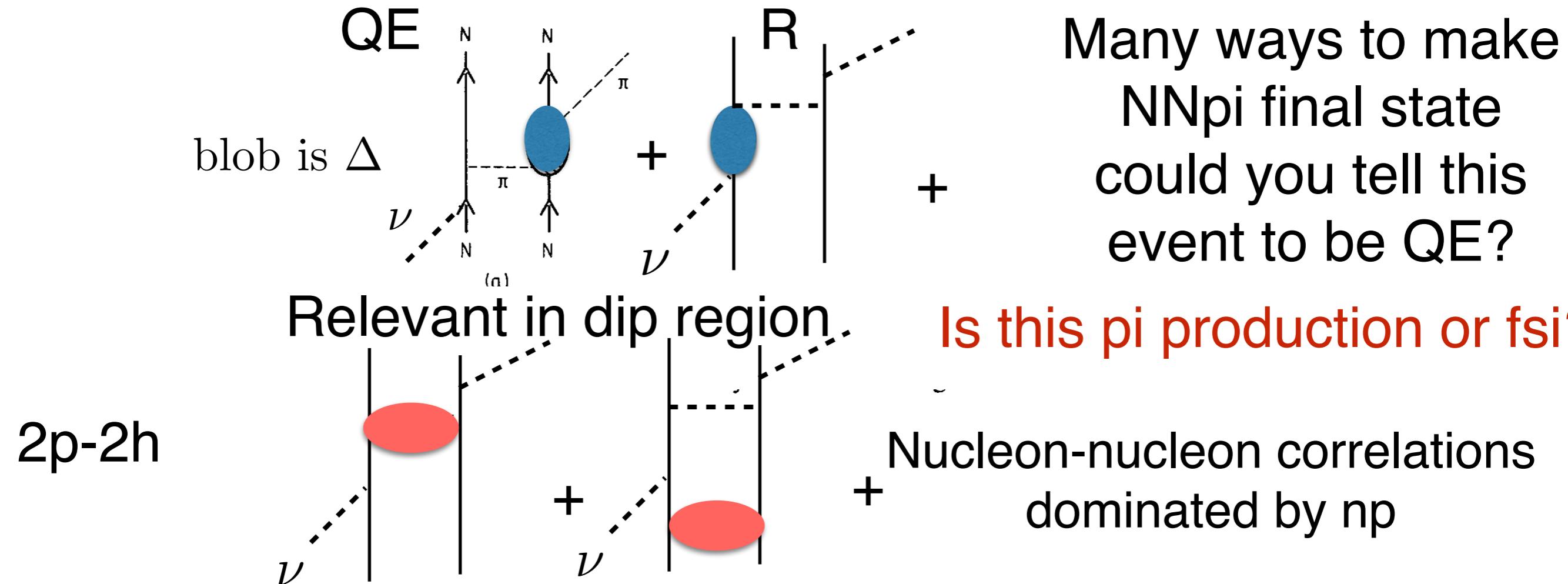
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Nucleon can make one or more pions

# Quasi-elastic scattering

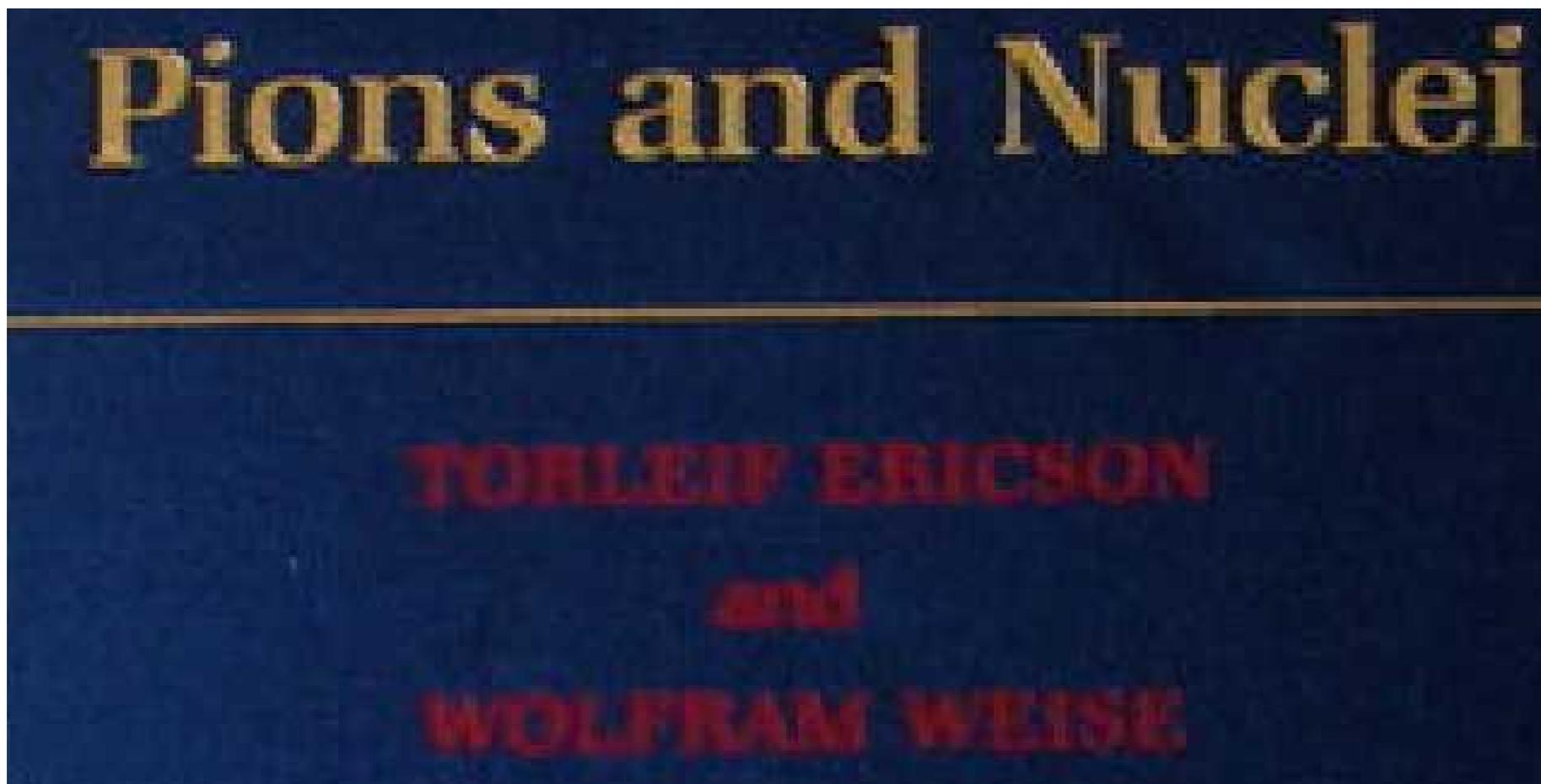
$x = 1, \nu = 1 M, Q^2 = 2 M^2$      $M$  is nucleon mass  $\rightarrow 1$

Nucleon energy is ideal for making a  $\Delta$  in  
 $NN \rightarrow N\Delta$ . Then  $\Delta \rightarrow N\pi$  Resonance production  
Now have three particles in the final state



These diagrams to be added first and then squared.  
Could be big effect

# History of Pion-Nucleus Physics



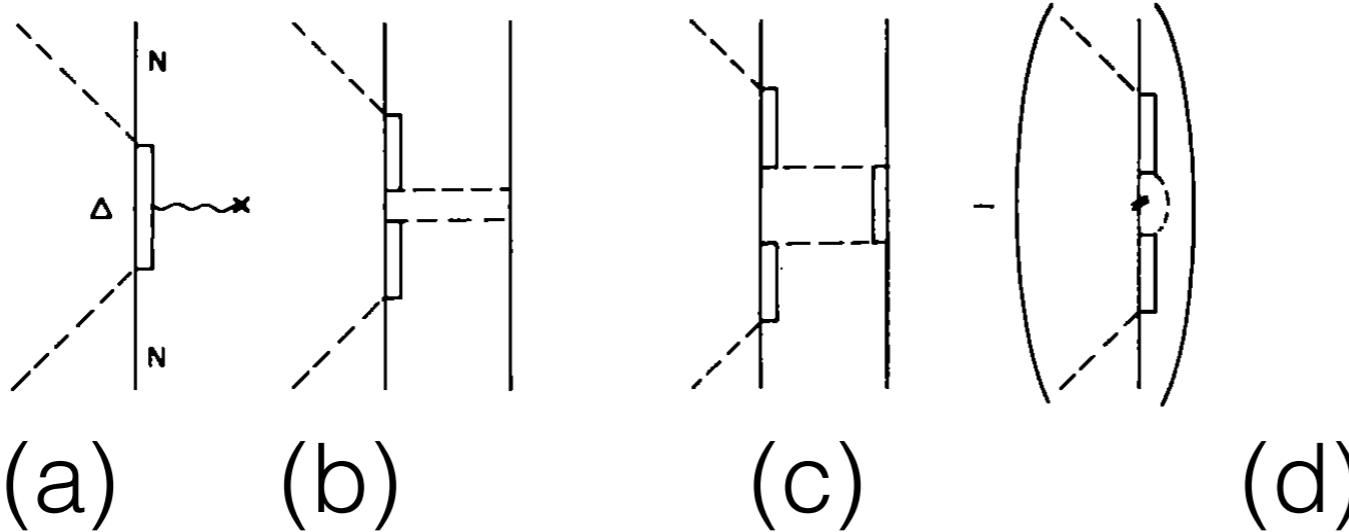
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Ericson & Weise = EW

Quasi elastic makes  $\Delta$

What does  $\Delta$  do?

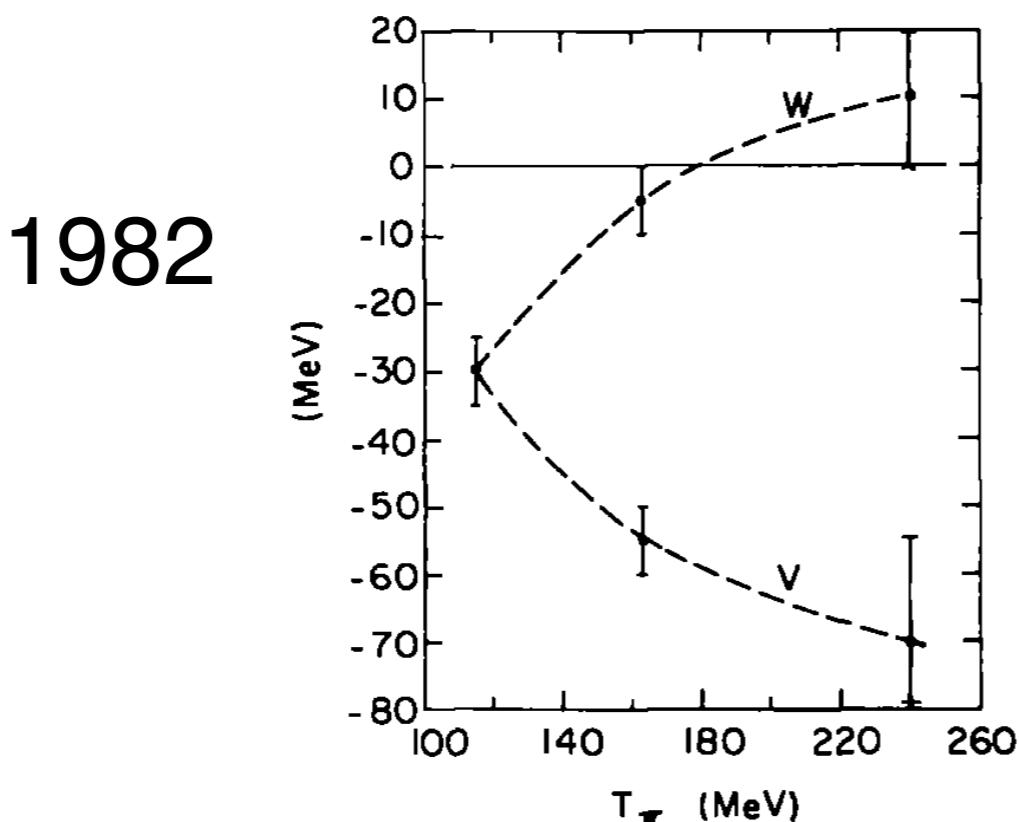
What is mass and width of  $\Delta$  in the nucleus?



- (a) Feel mean field potential
- (b) Width increases due to pion absorption
- (c) Multiple scatter
- (d) Width decreases due to Pauli blocking

# Literature: Delta in Medium

- Kissinger & Wang PRL 30, 1071, Ann. Phys. 99,374
- Oset & Weise PL B82, 344; Nucl. Rhys A319,477
- Lenz, Moniz, Hirata, Koch PL B70, 281 (1977); Ann.Phys. 120, 205
- Freedman, Henley, Miller, PL B103, 397; Nucl. Phys. A389, 457 (1982)
- Idea is the same: Delta propagates in medium, but **many** technical differences



Width ~unchanged  
due to cancellations

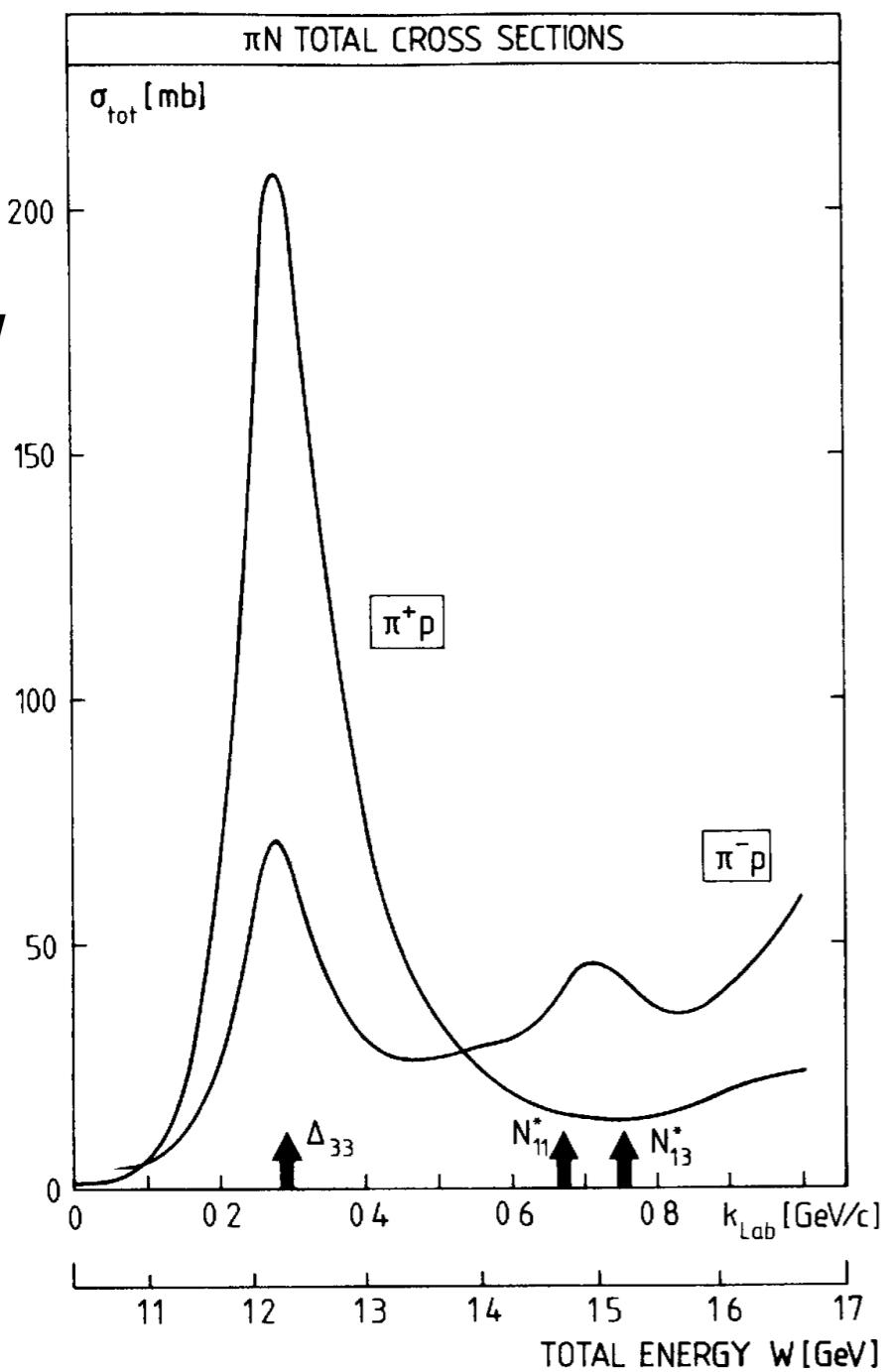
Delta less massive in medium  
energy dependent  
from many nuclei incl. Pb

Fig. 2. Dependence of the central strength  $V + iW$  of the  $\Delta$ -nucleus potential on pion laboratory kinetic

# What does $\pi$ do?

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## PION-NUCLEON SCATTERING



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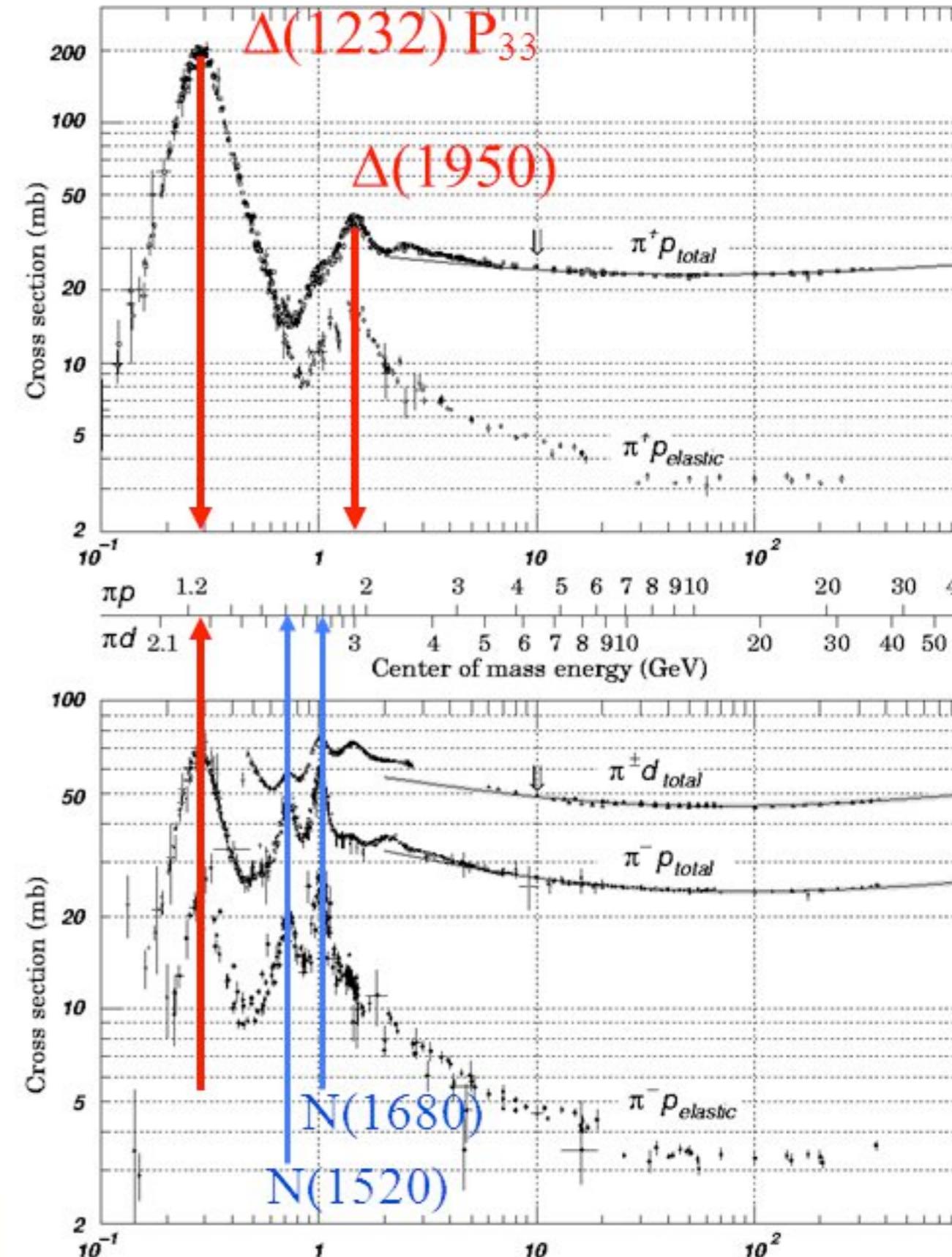


FIG. 2.2. Total cross-sections for  $\pi^+ p$  and  $\pi^- p$  scattering as a function of the total c.m. energy  $W$  and the pion lab momentum  $k_{lab}$ .

Strong FSI

# Elastic Pi-Nucleus

Black disk  
scattering

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \approx R^2 \left| \frac{J_1(qR\theta)}{\theta} \right|^2 e^{-\lambda\theta}$$

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PHENOMENOLOGY OF ELASTIC SCATTERING

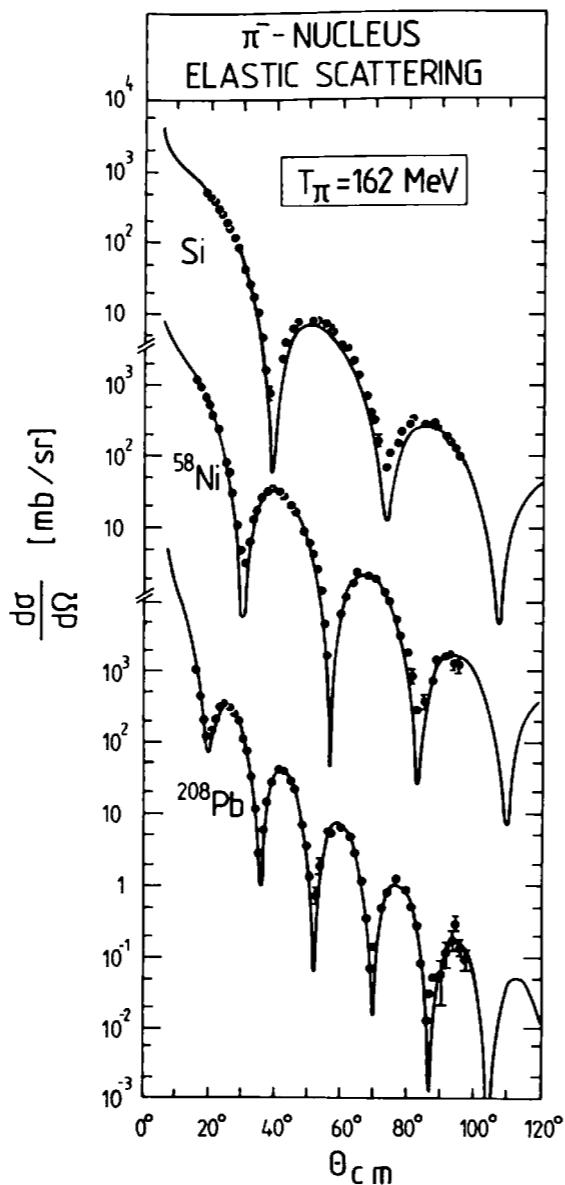


FIG. 7.5. Angular distributions for elastic scattering of 162 MeV  $\pi^-$  by  $^{29}\text{Si}$ ,  $^{58}\text{Ni}$ , and  $^{208}\text{Pb}$ . The solid curves result from an optical model calculation including Coulomb interactions; they nearly coincide with results obtained using the diffractive formula (7.36) with  $R = r_0 A^{\frac{1}{3}}$  and  $r_0 \approx 1.3$  fm. (From Zeidman *et al.* 1978.)

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Elastic is  $\sim 1/3$  of total

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PION-NUCLEUS SCATTERING AND REACTIONS

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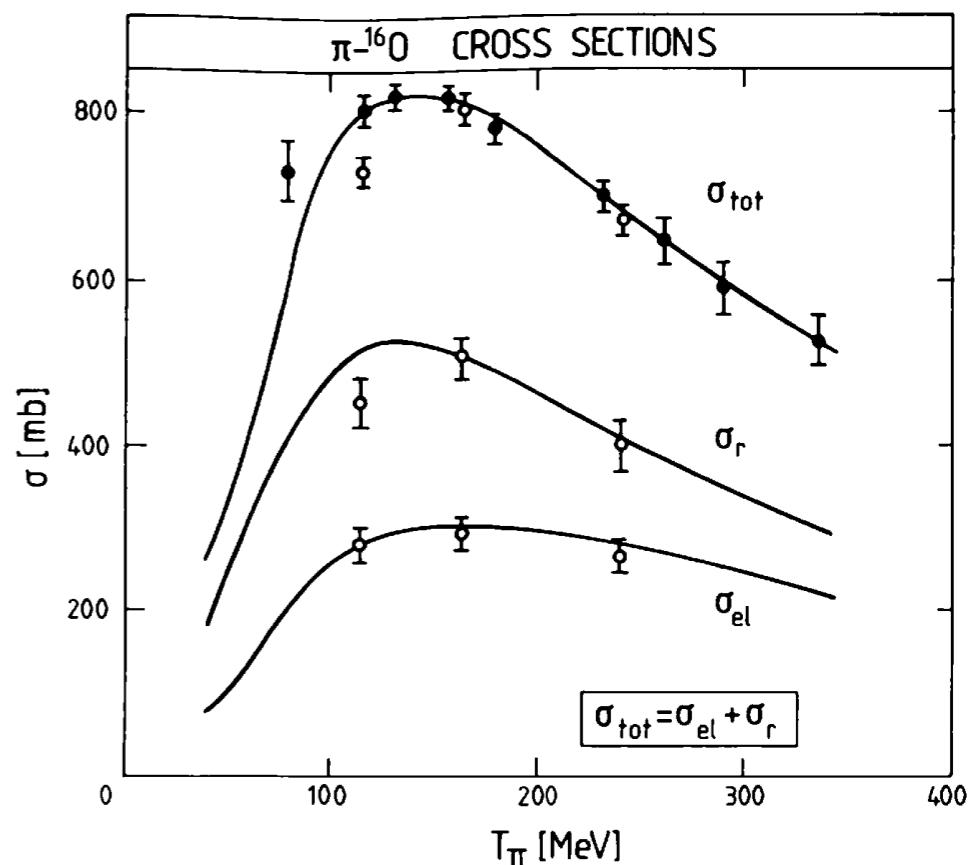


FIG. 7.7. Total, reaction and elastic pion cross-sections for  $^{16}\text{O}$ . The curves correspond to a phase shift analysis, with Coulomb effects removed. Open points represent  $\pi^+ - ^{16}\text{O}$ ; solid points represent the average of  $\pi^+ - ^{16}\text{O}$  and  $\pi^- - ^{16}\text{O}$ . (From Ciulli *et al.* 1981.)

# pion-nucleus inelastic discrete final state

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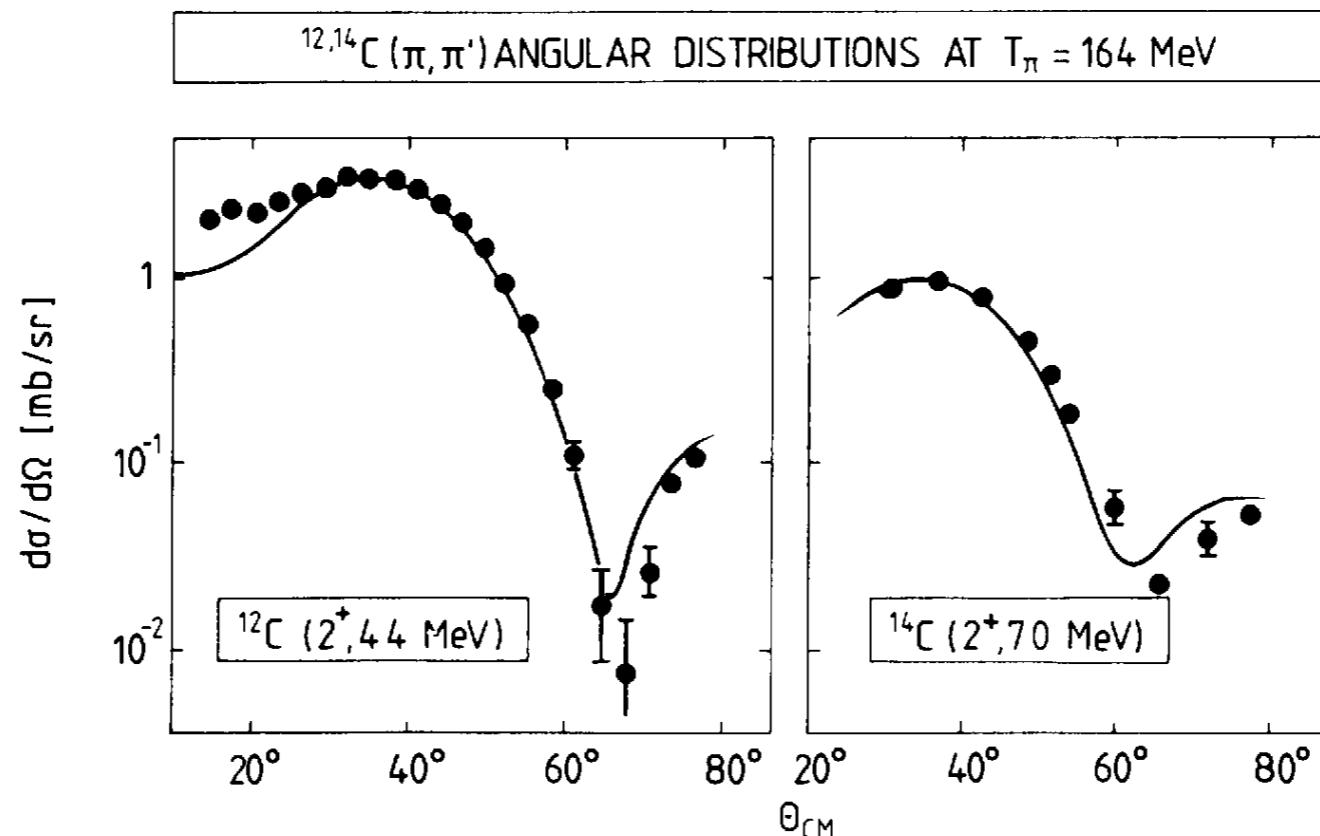


FIG. 7.19. Inelastic differential cross-sections for  $^{12}\text{C}(\pi^+, \pi'^+)^{12}\text{C}(4.4 \text{ MeV})$  and  $^{14}\text{C}(\pi^-, \pi'^-)^{14}\text{C}(7.0 \text{ MeV})$ . The solid curves represent distorted wave calculations. (From Dehnhard 1982.)

# Distorted wave calculations

DWPI Eisenstein & Miller

Comput.Phys.Commun. 11 (1976) 95-112

$$T_{II,I'I'}^J = \sum_{\substack{mM \\ m'M'}} \langle l'm'I'M' | Jq \rangle \langle lmIM | Jq \rangle \\ \times \langle \psi_{lm}^{(-)} \Phi_{IM} | H' | \psi_{l'm'}^{(+)} \Phi_{I'M'} \rangle .$$

$\psi_{lm}^{(-)}$  is incoming pion-nucleus wave function of orbital ang. mom.  $lm$   
 $\Phi_{IM}$  is incoming nuclear state of angular momentum  $IM$   
 $\psi_{l'm'}^{(+)}$  is outgoing pion-nucleus wave function of oam  $l'm'$   
 $\Phi_{I'M'}$  is incoming nuclear state of angular momentum  $I'M'$   
“Distorted wave” means not a plane wave-  
initial (final) state interactions are included

Are distorted wave calculations relevant for determining  
neutrino energies?

# Pion-nucleus inelastic

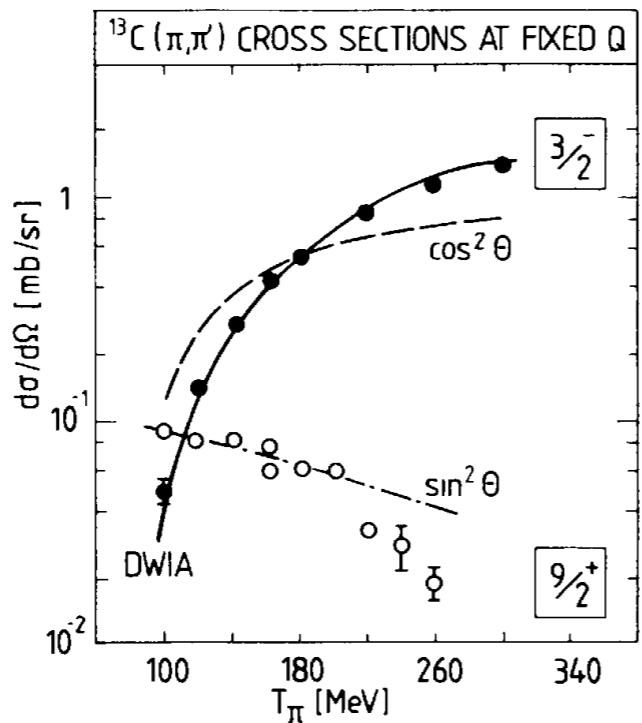


FIG. 7.20. Inelastic differential cross-sections for  $^{13}\text{C}(\pi, \pi')$  scattering momentum transfer  $Q$  to the  $\frac{3}{2}^-$  state at 3.7 MeV ( $Q = 1.1 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ ) and state at 9.5 MeV ( $Q = 1.4 \text{ fm}^{-1}$ ). The dashed curves represent the pure  $\sin^2 \theta$  shapes arbitrarily normalized. The solid curve is obtained from a wave calculation. (From Seestrom-Morris *et al.* 1981.)

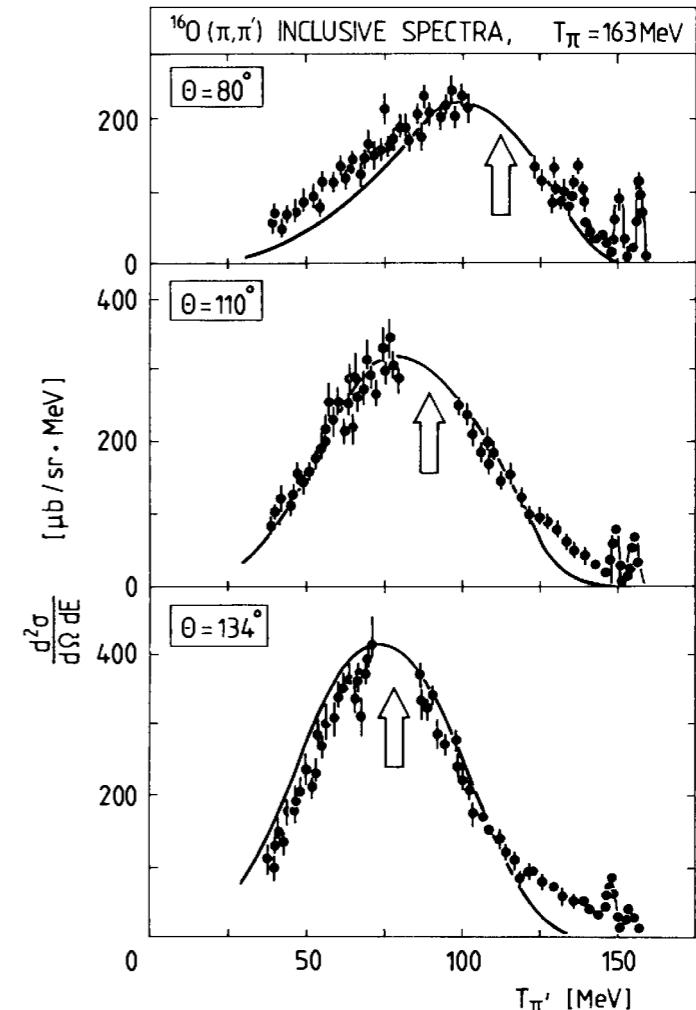
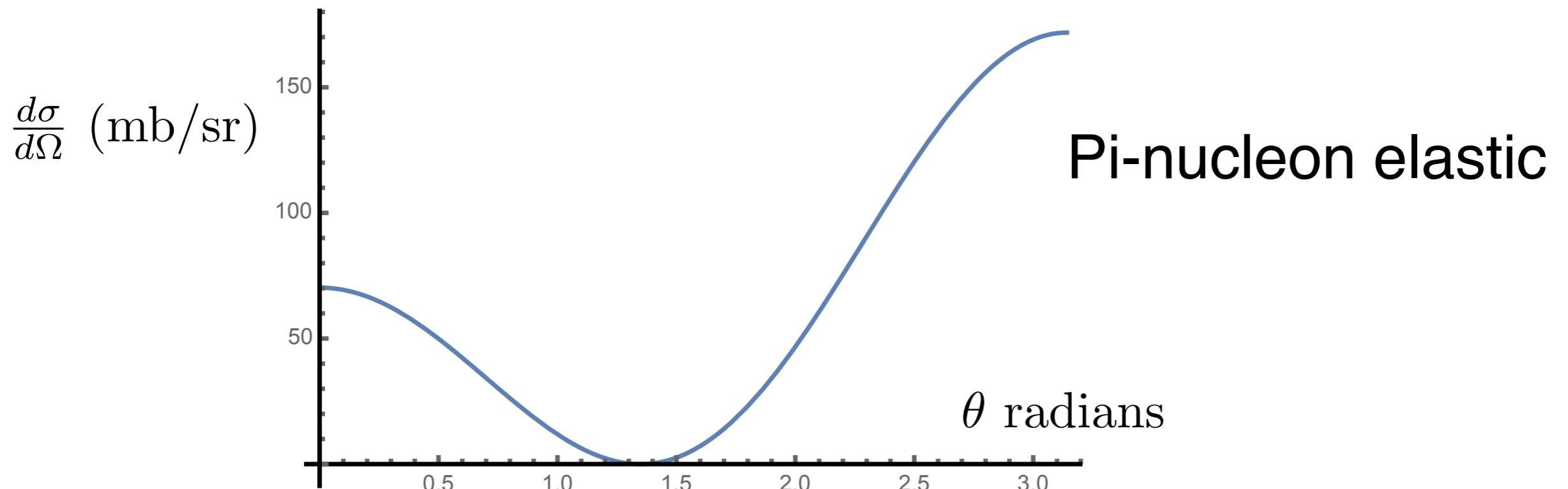


FIG. 7.21. Inclusive differential cross-sections for  $^{16}\text{O}(\pi, \pi')$  in the quasifree region as a function of the kinetic energy  $T_{\pi'}$  of the outgoing pion and for various lab scattering angles  $\theta$  from Ingram (1979.) The arrows indicate the location of  $T_{\pi'}$  for the free  $\pi N \rightarrow \pi' N'$  process at the same angle  $\theta$ . The curves represent  $\Delta$ -hole model calculations. (From Thies 1982.)

# Strong pion final state interactions



Pion back scatters , loses energy  
this could happen several times  
and then . . .

# Pion absorption

see also K. Mahn

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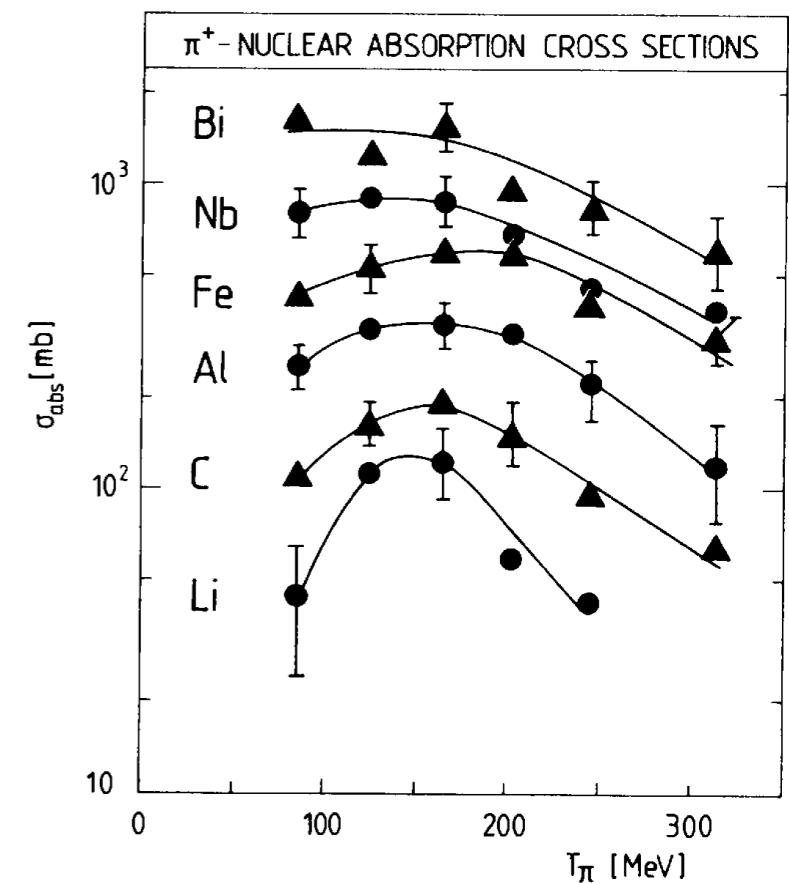
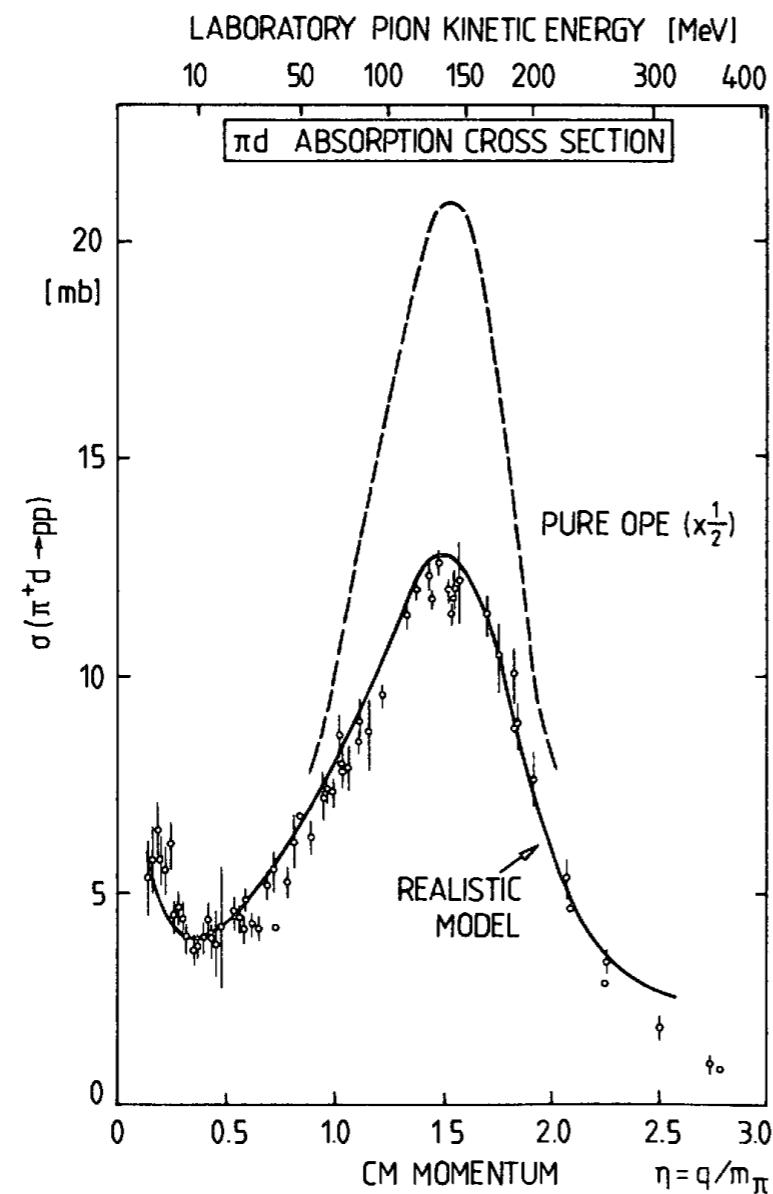
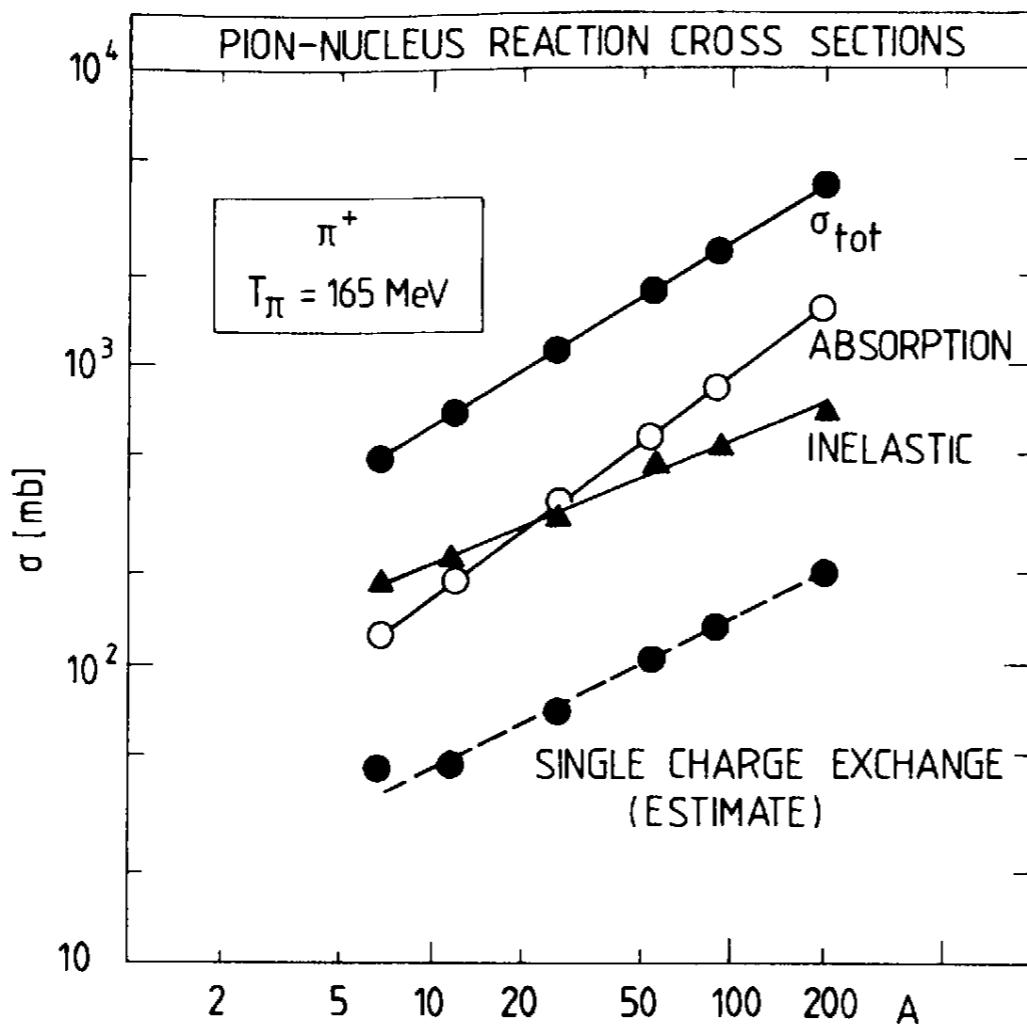


FIG. 7.31. Pion absorption cross-section for various nuclei as a function of incident kinetic energy  $T_\pi$ . (From Ashery *et al.* 1981b.)

FIG. 4.11. The absorption cross section  $\sigma(\pi^+ d \rightarrow pp)$  as described by the OPE  $\Delta$ -model compared to results of a rescattering approach with a realistic tensor interaction and including the s-wave rescattering and the impulse approximation contributions. (From Riska *et al.* 1977; Maxwell *et al.* 1980.)

Instead of  $NN\pi$  have 4 N- could you tell event is QE?

# What else can pion do?



Single  
charge exchange

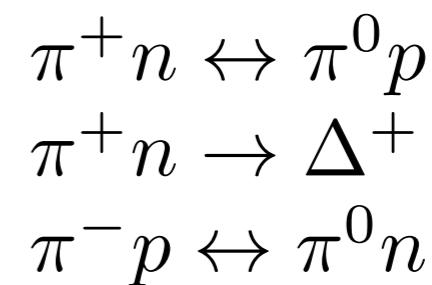


FIG. 7.22. Inelastic, absorption, and single-charge exchange (SCE) cross-sections for 165 MeV  $\pi^+$  reactions with various nuclei as a function of nuclear mass number  $A$ . The SCE cross-sections are semi-empirical estimates. The total cross-section  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$  is shown for comparison. (From Ashery *et al.* 1981b.)

# What else can pion do? Double charge exchange

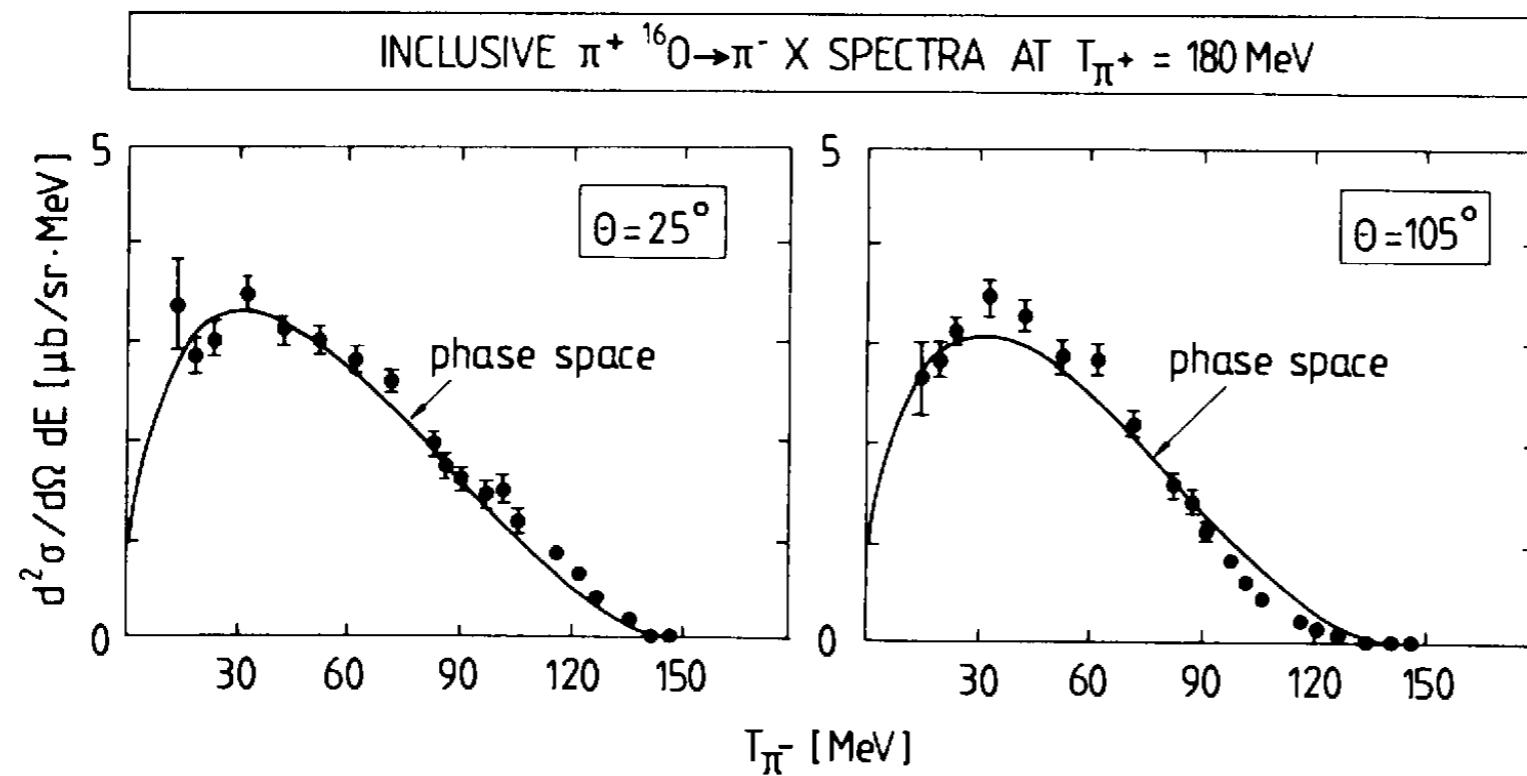
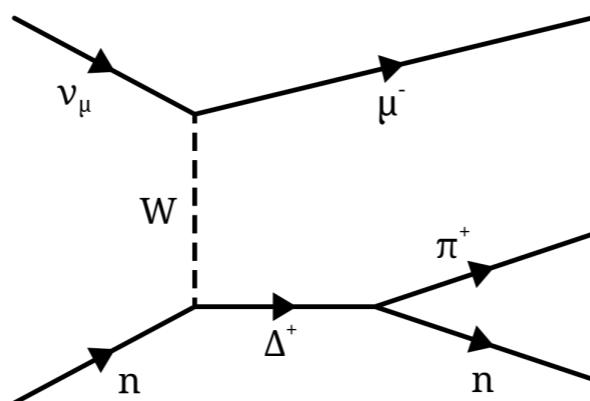


FIG. 7.24. Inclusive double-charge exchange spectra for  $\pi^+ {}^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow \pi^- \text{X}$  at  $T_{\pi^+} = 180 \text{ MeV}$ . The solid curves correspond to the four-body phase space of one pion, two nucleons, and the final nucleus normalized to the total integrated DCE cross-section. (From Wood *et al.* 1985.)

# Simple QE scattering makes pions which do everything a pion can do

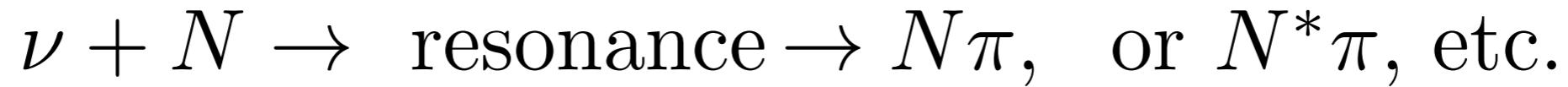
More direct source of pions is

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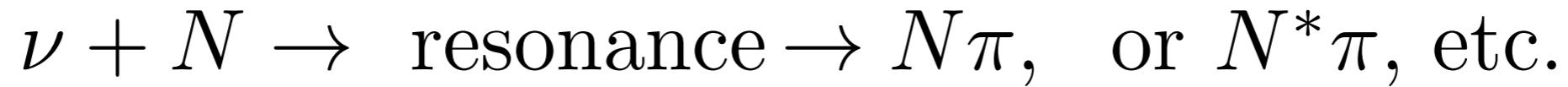
These pions interact and can:  
scatter elastically from nucleus  
scatter inelastically from nucleus  
back scatter from nucleon  
be absorbed  
charge exchange once or twice

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**Pionic corrections to the MIT bag model: The (3,3) resonance**

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**Cloudy bag model**

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By incorporating chiral invariance in the MIT bag model, we are led to a theory in which the pion field is coupled to the confined quarks only at the bag surface. An equivalent quantized theory of nucleons and  $\Delta$ 's interacting with pions is then obtained. The pion-nucleon scattering amplitude in this model is found to give a good fit to experimental data on the (3,3) resonance, with a bag radius of about 0.72 fm.

# What is a Delta?

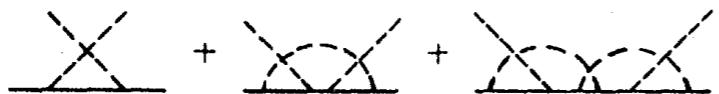


FIG. 1. The Chew series. Nucleons are represented by solid lines and pions by dashed ones.

another model



FIG. 2. The  $\Delta$  model. The wiggly line is the bare  $\Delta$ .

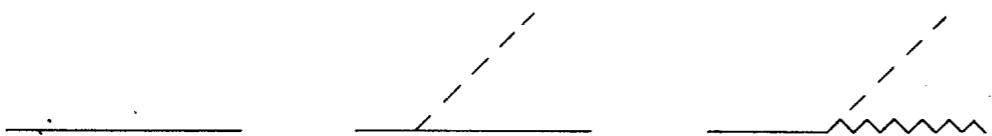


FIG. 3. The physical nucleon [from Eq. (3.16)].

Early work by Chew obtained resonance peak without any three-quark state

Can also obtain resonance peak

+ HC - Cloudy Bag Model Hamiltonian

# What is a Delta?

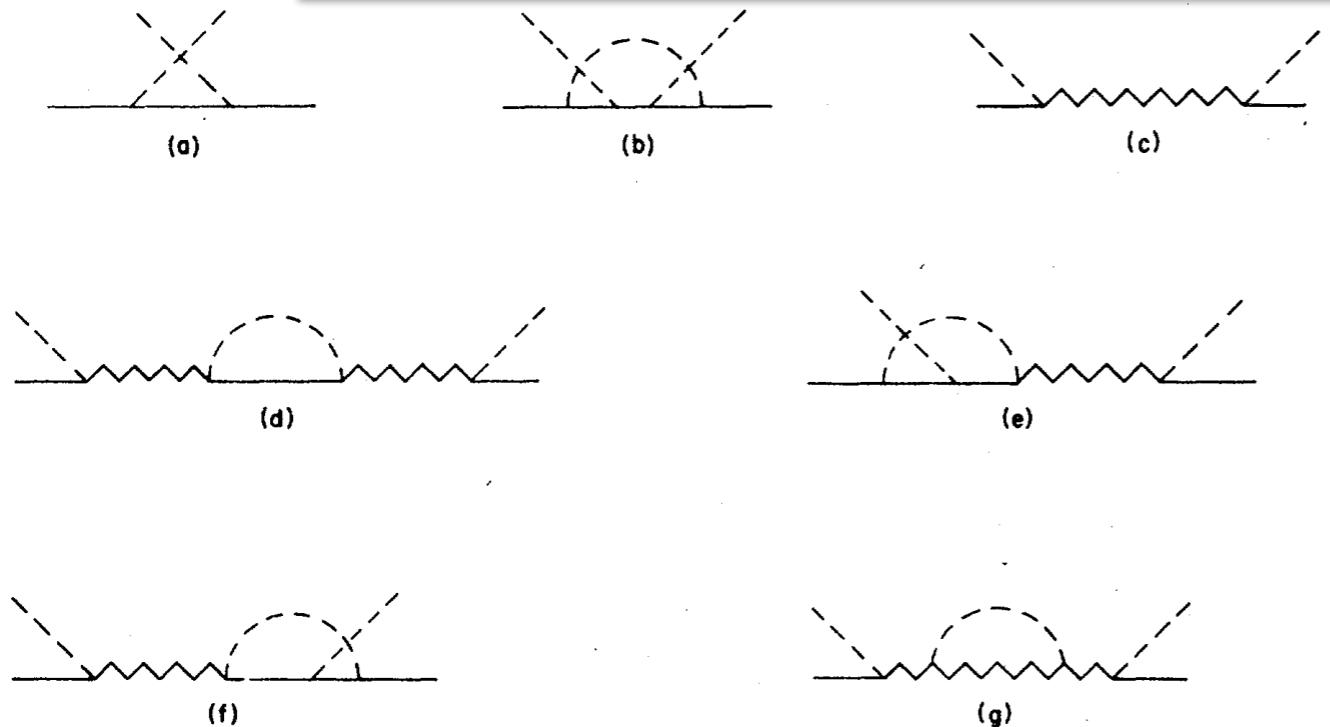


FIG. 8. Terms of Eq. (3.25) after renormalization.

Pion-nucleon scattering in resonance region

mainly Delta

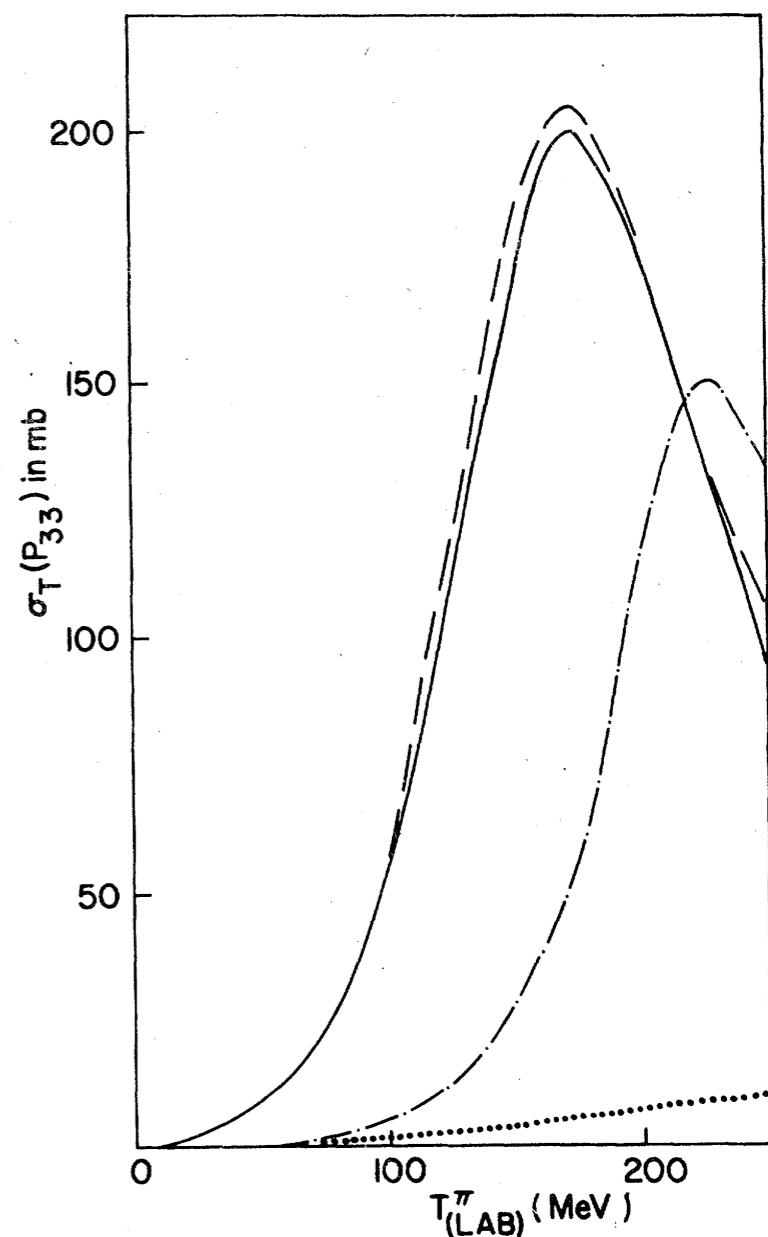


FIG. 11. Best fit in the cloudy bag model (dashed curve) to the experimental  $P_{33}$  total cross section (solid). The dash-dotted line shows the effect of arbitrarily setting  $f_{NN\pi}$  ( $f_{\Delta N \pi}$ ) to zero, with all other parameters unchanged.

Delta is simplest resonance others  
are more complicated

$$|N^*(1440)\rangle = Z(|\text{3 quark radial excitation}\rangle + |N\pi\pi\rangle + |\Delta\pi\rangle) + \dots$$

Resonance structure affects pion production cross sections

Use data instead of theory

But

**Worry:**

Different reaction mechanisms can reach the same final state

In that case have quantum interference

Must add **amplitudes** and then square

Once pion is made it can do all the things discussed previously

# Deep inelastic scattering

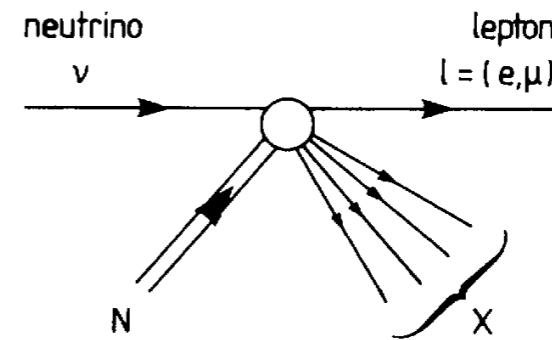
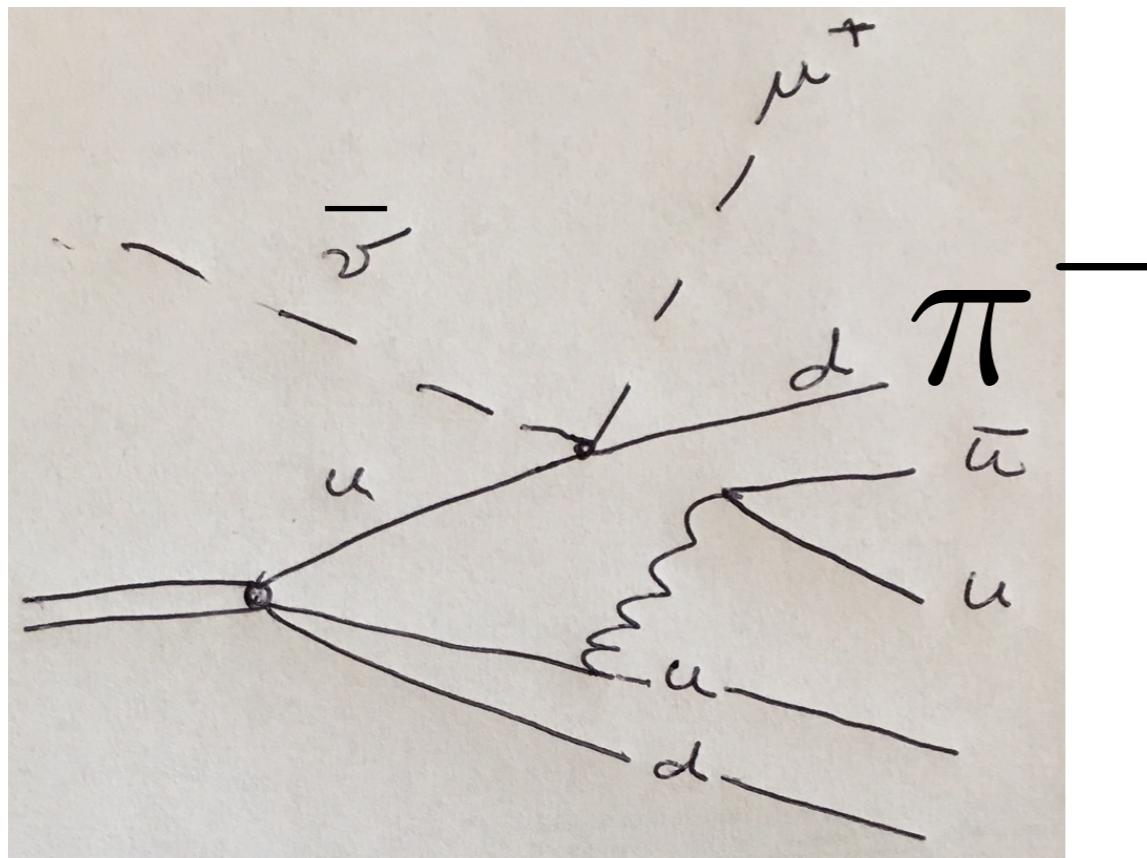


FIG. 9.9. Illustration of the forward neutrino reaction  $\nu + N \rightarrow l + X$ .

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Use CVC , PCAC:

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{G_W}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{f_\pi}{q_0} u_l^+ (1 - \sigma_z) u_\nu \langle X | J^\pi | N \rangle$$
$$= (\text{factors}) \cdot T(\pi(q) + N \rightarrow X). \quad (9.122)$$

This result is known as Adler's theorem.<sup>[12]</sup> Here the pion moves in the

Use data for pion cross sections

# Summary

- Pion does many things
- Can be made from resonance decay or final state interactions
- Separation between production and final state interaction is not absolute