# Empirical fits to inclusive electron-carbon scattering data obtained by deep-learning methods

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# Motivations

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NuWro}}$  is a Monte Carlo neutrino event generator, created at the University of Wroclaw.



#### https://github.com/NuWro

It simulates neutrino-nucleon and neutrino-nucleus reactions

- elastic and quasi-elastic scattering
- $\blacktriangleright$  single pion production through  $\Delta(1232)$  resonance including non-resonant background
- deep inelastic scattering
- nuclear effects, two-body current contribution to (quasi-) elastic scattering coherent pion production

# Motivations

With the help of Neural Network techniques, it is planned to accelerate and optimize the NuWro generator.

There are some similarities between electron and neutrino scattering.

The first step towards this goal is to create a neural network describing electron-nucleon scattering.

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#### Based on:

arxiv:2312.17298 B. Kowal, K.Graczyk, A. Ankowski, R. Banerjee, H. Prasad and J. Sobczyk (NuWro team)

#### The goal

Making the model independent way to predict inclusive electron-carbon scattering cross-sections (based on the experimental measurements):

$$DNN(E, \theta, \omega) \to \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\cos(\theta)d\omega}$$
 (1)

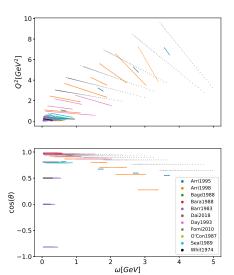
DNN - Deep Neural Network prediction,  $E = \text{Energy}, \theta = \text{scattering angle}, \omega = \text{transfer of energy}$ 

 Development of techniques that allow us estimate the uncertainty of the predictions of DNN.

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#### Data

- Data from the Electron Nucleus Scattering Archive: http://discovery.phys.virginia. edu/research/groups/qes-archive/ notes.html
- we concentrate on electron-carbon data
- a broad kinematic region: quasielastic scattering, pion production, and the onset of deep-inelastic scattering
- We remove data with the lowest ω by applying an appropriate cut, because they correspond to elastic scattering and discrete nuclear state



### Data

11 independent datasets.	Abbrev.	Number
		of points
$\blacktriangleright$ the k-th dataset containing $N_k$ points	Arri1995	56
	Arri1998	398
$\mathcal{D}_k = \{ (E_k^i, \theta_k^i, \omega_k^i, d\sigma_k^i, \Delta d\sigma_k^i) : i = 1, \dots, N_k \},\$	Bagd1988	125
	Bara1988	259
where $d\sigma_k^i$ and $\Delta d\sigma_k^i$ are the $i$ -th	Barr1983	1243
measurement in $k$ -th dataset and	Dai2018	177
corresponding uncertainty.	Day1993	316
	Fomi2010	359
$\blacktriangleright \Delta d\sigma^i_k$ includes statistical and systematic	O'Con1987	51
uncertainties.	Seal1989	250
<b>.</b>	Whit1974	31
The normalization λ, systematic uncertainty, is taken into consideration.	Total	3265

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#### Potential problems

Cross-section values in ineffective, for DNN, range domain

 $\rightarrow$  re-scale the cross-sections (rescaled data < 1)

$$d\sigma \to \left(\frac{10^9}{137^2 E \cos(\theta/2)} \frac{\cos(\theta/2)^2}{4E^2 \sin(\theta/2)^4}\right)^{-1} d\sigma,$$
 (2)

Additional imput parameters, that depend on the others, to achieve fitting :

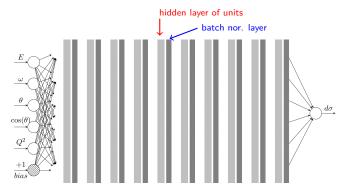
$$(E, \omega, \theta) \to (E, \omega, \theta, \cos(\theta), Q^2)$$

- DNN may over-fit the data
- How to estimate the uncertainty of the predictions?

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# DNN: Model A (Bootstrap model)

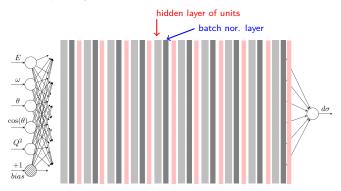
▶ 10 blocks with 300 fully connected neurons and following batch normalization layer



Batch Normalization (loffe and Szegedy, arxiv:1502.03167): re-centering and re-scaling inputs of the leyers, improves optimization and regularize the model

# DNN: Model B (MC Dropout model)

10 blocks with 300 fully connected neurons and following batch normalization layer and dropout leyer



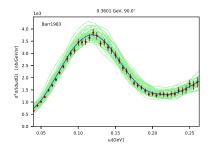
Dropout layer: In every layer, some hidden units are dropped from the processing the signal (forward and backward), with a probability p [Hinton, et al., arXiv:1207.0580.]

- improves generalization
- prevents overfitting

#### Model A: Bootstrap approach

- Efron (1979): Bootstrap methods
- Adapted for neural networks by Tibshirani (1996) and Breiman (1996).

- i For each data sample, we have a Gaussian distribution with
  - mean = data point  $\sigma_k^i$
  - std. deviation = uncertainty  $\Delta \sigma_k^i$
- ii we draw M = 50 bootstrap (clone) datasets from Gaussian distributions
- iii For each bootstrap (clone) data set, obtain DNN fit.
- iv Averaging over the models prevents overfitting. Get the mean and standard deviation



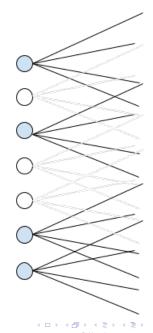
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# Model B: MC Dropout approach

- We keep dropout layers active in training mode
- We obtain one DNN fit
- $\rightarrow\,$  To make prediction:
- We keep dropout layers active in inference mode
- i compute M = 50 times the response of the network for a given input.
- ii average over the predictions, get the mean and standard deviation



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# Systematic Normalization

$$\chi_{\rm tot} = \sum_{k=1}^{11} \left[ \chi_k^2(\lambda_k) + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1-\lambda_k}{\Delta \lambda_k} \right)^2 \right],$$

$$\chi_k^2(\lambda_k) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N_k} \left( \frac{d\sigma_k^i - \lambda_k d\sigma_i^{\text{fit}}(E_k^i, \theta_k^i)}{\Delta d\sigma_k^i} \right)^2$$

Abbrev.	$\Delta \lambda_k$
Arri1995	4.0%
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Bagd1988	10.0%
Bara1988	3.7%
Barr1983	2.0%
Dai2018	2.2%
Day1993	3.4%
Fomi2010	4.0%
O'Con1987	5.0%
Seal1989	2.5%
Whit1974	3.0%

 $\triangleright$   $\lambda_k$ 's are hyperparameters

## Normalization and data consistency

Abbrev.	Norm.	model A	model B	
	uncert.	$\lambda_k$	$\lambda_k (p = 0.01)$	
Arri1995	4.0%	1.01	1.02	
Arri1998	4.0%	1.00	0.96	
Bagd1988	10.0%	1.03	1.06	
Bara1988	3.7%	1.01	0.98	
Barr1983	2.0%	0.99	1.02	
Dai2018	2.2%	1.00	0.97	
Day1993	3.4%	0.99	0.98	
Fomi2010	4.0%	1.01	0.96	
O'Con1987	5.0%	1.02	1.01	
Seal1989	2.5%	1.02	1.04	
Whit1974	3.0%	0.93	0.93	

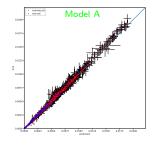
A tension between Whit1974 and the rest of datasets?

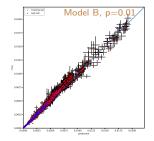
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# Numerical Analysis

Jax package

- HDF5 to store and organize data
- AdamW algorithm with decay width 0.004
- Minibatch configuration with five batches
- We split the dataset into training and test datasets, with a proportion of 9:1



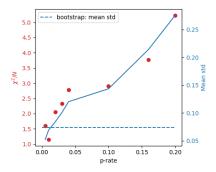


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# Calibration of MC Dropout

 \* we may expect similar results between bootstrap and Bayesian approaches
Efron, Bayesian inference and the parametric bootstrap, (2012)

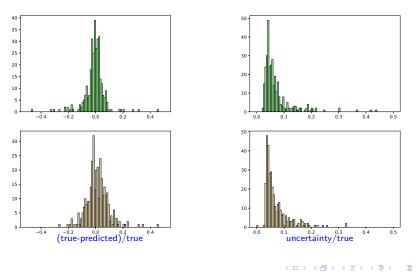
- Run model A (dropout) for several p values
- Compute  $\chi^2(test)$
- After calibration, we choose Dropout Model with p = 0.01



Mean[uncertainty/true value](test data)

# Histograms: Model A, Bootstrap (top) and Model B, MC Dropout (bottom)

On the test data set, dropout  $p{=}0.01$ 

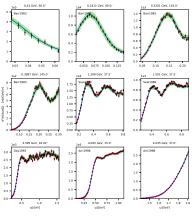


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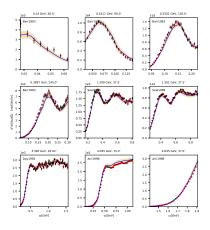
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# Results: Model A (bootstrap) and Model B (dropout)



training and test points ►



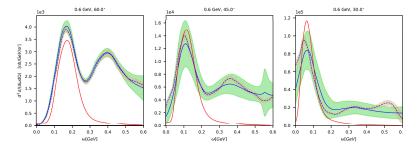
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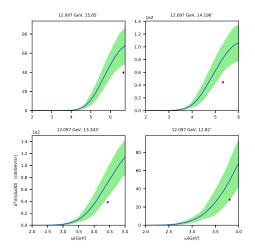
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# DNN vs. Spectral function



- Model A Bootstrap and Model B MC Dropout (p=0.01)
- Spectral function QE scattering, Ankowski, Benhar, Sakuda, PRD 91, (2015) 03300
- Energy of 600 MeV relevant for neutrino-oscillation experiments such as T2K and the Short Baseline Neutrino program
- Bootstrap model generalizes better

#### Model A Bootstrap vs. Gomez et al.



 data: Gomez et al., PRD 49, (1994) 4348. (deep inelastic scattering data)

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# Summary

we obtained fits to electron-carbon data using to methods: dropout and bootstrap

- we compared their predictions to
  - a test dataset.
  - a dataset lying beyond the covered kinematic region,
  - a theoretical predictions obtained within the spectral function approach
- Models reproduce the data well but Model A generalizes better than Model B
- Both methods take into account a statistical and systematic uncertainties
- \* available from https://github.com/bekowal/CarbonElectronNeuralNetwork