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WHAT COULD BE DONE WITH SOLID NEAR-THRESHOLD J/Y & Y' PRODUCTION AT ~20 GEV

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THE SOLID-J/Y EXPERIMENT SoLID (J/ψ) Ultimate factory for near-threshold J/ ψ General purpose large-acceptance Beamline spectrometer 50+10 days of 3µA beam on a 15cm long LH2 target $(10^{37}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s})$ Ultra-high luminosity: 43.2ab⁻¹ 1 m

- Open 2-particle trigger, covering J/ψ production in four channels: Electroproduction (e,e⁻e⁺), photoproduction (p,e⁻e⁺), inclusive (e⁻e⁺), exclusive (ep,e⁻e⁺)













The proton mass: An important topic in contemporary hadronic physics! **RAPIDLY EVOLVING**





Science case rapidly evolving **PROMINENT NEW DEVELOPMENTS**



- A hot topic: many theoretical developments, and pace of publications only speeding up!
- Many extractions depend on extrapolating to the forward limit (t=0), which introduces theoretical systematic uncertainties. Best way to mitigate is high-precision data at high-t.



Near-threshold heavy quarkonium production at large momentum transfer, P. Sun, X-B. Tong, F. Yuan (PRD 2022)









PHOTOPRODUCTION Ultra-high statistics and best reach to high energies

- Production through quasi-real photons, and bremsstrahlung in the extended target.
- Measure J/ψ decay pair in forward and/or wide-angle detectors
- Identify recoil proton (which is slow) through time-of-flight with the SPDs and MRPCs.
- Can make measurement up to very large values of *t*.











ELECTROPRODUCTION Unrivaled reach towards the threshold and modest lever-arm in Q²

- Production through virtual photons
- Measure J/ψ decay pair in forward and/or wide-angle detectors
- Identify scattered electron in the forward spectrometer.
- Coverage up to larger values of t very close to threshold.









SOLID-J/W PROJECTIONS Precision at high t crucial for extrapolations to the forward limit (exponential, dipole, triple, ...)





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12 GEV J/Ψ EXPERIMENTS AT JEFFERSON LAB



Hall D - GlueX observer the first J/ψ at JLab A. Ali et al., PRL 123, 072001 (2019)



Hall B - CLAS12 has experiments to measure TCS + J/ψ in photoproduction as part of Run Groups A (hydrogen) and B (deuterium): E12-12-001, E12-12-001A, E12-11-003B



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Hall C has the J/ψ -007 experiment (E12-16-007) to search for the LHCb hidden-charm pentaquark



Hall A has experiment E12-12-006 at SoLID to measure J/ψ in electro- and photoproduction, and an LOI to measure double polarization using **SBS**







J/Y EXPERIMENTS AT JLAB COMPARED

	GlueX HALL D	HMS+SHMS HALL C	CLAS 12 with upgrade ¹ HALL B	SoLID HALL A
J/ψ counts (photo-prod.)	469 published ~10k phase I + II	2k electron channel 2k muon channel	14k	804k
<i>J/ψ</i> Rate (electro- prod.)	N/A	N/A	1k	21k
When?	Finished/Ongoing	Finished	Ongoing/Proposed	Future

¹The CLAS12 projected count rates assume the proposed CLAS12 luminosity upgrade to 2x10³⁵/cm²/s







WHY GO TO HIGHER ENERGIES? What can we learn? How do we compare to EIC? 10 $\sigma_{J/\psi}$ (nb) Cornell '75 Potential benefits: **SLAC** '75 CERN NA-14 Larger reach in Q² near threshold with high FNAL E401 10^{-1} **FNAL E687** precision H1 Combined (γ^*) 10^{-2} ZEUS Combined (γ^*) Precision measurement to supersede old LHCB '14 (UPC) SLAC and Cornell measurement 10^{3} 10^{2} 10 W (GeV) High-precision for EIC at lower energies (but 10⁵ EC SIMULATION with much higher W resolution) nematics for J/ ψ DVMP GeV on 41 GeV (100fb⁻ 10⁴ Extend high-t reach unique to Jlab to higher energies - cannot be done with EIC. 10³ (GeV²) • Can extend program from J/ψ to ψ ' (larger color dipole, independent knob to constrain physics) 10² 10 W (GeV) **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY** Argonne National Laboratory is a U.S. Department of Energy laboratory managed by UChicago Argonne, LLC. 10 Argonne S. Joosten





ELECTROPRODUCTION LOOKS PROMISING Good kinematic coverage with standard setup













ELECTROPRODUCTION LOOKS PROMISING Get near-threshold lever-arm in Q2





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10⁴ 10³ 10²

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PHOTOPRODUCTION A BIT MORE DIFFICULT Missing events at high W - medium t





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PHOTOPRODUCTION A BIT MORE DIFFICULT What is the root cause for this?





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THE MISSING EVENTS... AT LARGE ANGLE??? W > 5.2 GeV, $|t-t_{min}|$ between 0.5 and 2 GeV²







Counterintuitive..., why recoil proton at *larger* angle?







LET'S LOOK AT ALL RECOILS FOR A DETECTED J/PSI **Recoil moving to larger and larger angles for increasing energy**

Notice change in scale!



Reason: J/psi are boosted forward at higher energies, so we are selecting at relatively speaking events at increasingly large angles. Momentum conservation then also starts selecting events with a larger recoil angle, leading to an overall drop in acceptance.



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Solution: Either larger-angle recoil detector, or instrument SoLID to smaller angles should recover these events!









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WHY Ψ' PRODUCTION? Independent, more sensitive probe (larger color dipole!)

 ψ a larger color dipole: expect stronger gluonic interactions

Complementary probe: provides an extra handle (color dipole) size) to probe the gluonic field in the proton

Better constrain on model dependencies and factorization assumptions from Jefferson Lab alone (do not need to wait for Y at EIC)

Only really possible at Solid as ultra-high luminosity is required.







Ψ' PHYSICS AT JLAB? Designing a ψ ' experiment

 $\psi(2s)$ mass is 3686.097 ± 0.025 MeV, with photoproduction threshold at about 11 GeV

Experimentally:

- Easiest decay channel is e^+e^- (BR: $0.793 \pm 0.017 \%$)
- Plenty resolution (<50 MeV) at SoLID to distinguish J/ ψ and ψ (2s)
- Contamination of higher ψ states strongly suppressed in this channel
- Other promising channel (J/ ψ , $\pi\pi$, BR: 34.67 ± 0.30 %) requires more study (4- particle final state after J/ψ decay)

Conclusion: ψ physics possible at JLab with even modest beam energy increase, assuming sufficient cross section





Ψ' CROSS SECTION? **Extrapolating down to threshold**

Experimentally, at higher energies $\psi(2s)/\psi(1s)$ is about 0.16 (from HERA and LHC)

Ansatz (as we really don't know): use n-gluon formalism, assume same ratio between 2- and 3-gluon amplitudes as for J/ψ production

In practice: fix ratio of 2- and 3-gluon amplitudes to n-gluon fit to GlueX data, then fit to higher energy J/ ψ data scaled down by 0.16

End result: factor of about 47 reduction in rate for (

Hence, measurement requires very high luminosity. Could also be approached by exploring other decay channels



$$\gamma p \to \psi(2s)p \to pe^+e^-$$
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EXPERIMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS WITH SOLID 12 GeV is only enough to see ψ '

Triple-coincidence phase space for ψ ' production at SoLID assuming 50 days at 10³⁷/cm²s



EXPERIMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS WITH SOLID 15 GeV starts giving access to a 2D cross section

Triple-coincidence phase space for ψ ' production at SoLID assuming 50 days at 10³⁷/cm²s



EXPERIMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS WITH SOLID 17 GeV optimum with current SoLID-J/ψ setup

Triple-coincidence phase space for ψ ' production at SoLID assuming 50 days at 10³⁷/cm²s





EXPERIMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS WITH SOLID 20 GeV (and higher) would require modifications to target location

Triple-coincidence phase space for ψ ' production at SoLID assuming 50 days at 10³⁷/cm²s



PHYSICS REACH WITH DIFFERENT BEAM ENERGIES













2D CROSS SECTION POTENTIAL





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THE COLOR VAN DER WAALS FORCE BEYOND SOLID-J/ Ψ Increasing sensitivity with J/ψ and ψ ' production off nuclei

Expect enhanced color Van der Waals force in nuclei due to the larger color field: measure e.g. coherent J/ ψ production off ⁴He

Nuclei also enable ψ ' production at lower energies: threshold for coherent ψ ' production off ⁴He at 7.4GeV

 ψ a larger color dipole, expect stronger binding (larger enhancements in the near-threshold cross section)

A coherent J/ ψ and ψ ' program off ⁴He at SoLID would open many avenues to study the nature of the color Van der Waals force.

With higher beam energies: coherent production off ⁴He to higher energies (imaging!)









SUMMARY

SoLID is the ultimate place for near-threshold quarkonia measurements due to luminosity and kinematic reach

With a higher beam energy, SoLID can accomplish a complementary J/ ψ and ψ ' with the same detector Higher beam energies also provide Q2 as an additional knob (comparing photoproduction with electroproduction)!

Electroproduction at higher energies does not require any changes to the apparatus, while Photoproduction would benefit from either a small-angle calorimeter or large-angle recoil detector











THE END



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EXCLUSIVE QUARKONIUM PRODUCTION The basics



- Forward direction preferred: t-dependence ~exponential





COMPLEMENTARITY WITH EIC (LONG) J/ ψ at SoLID and Y at EIC

- In principle, EIC creates J/ψ at threshold, but events hard to reconstruct due to limited experimental resolution.
- Threshold production of higher-mass quarkonia (e.g. Y(1S)) can be measured much more precisely.
- Y(1S) at EIC trades statistical precision of J/ ψ at SoLID for lower theoretical uncertainties, and extra channel to study universality.
- Large Q² reach at EIC an additional knob to study production (mostly at higher energies).











HGC FASPD (MRPC) FAEC J/ψ : 4xGEMs LASPD LAEC 2xGEMs LGC



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- Large solid angle coverage 2π azimuth symmetric in e⁺ and e⁻
- Full coverage of $t-t_{min}$ with the highest statistical precision to discriminate among functional forms
- Electron, positron and proton identification with good momentum resolution and high efficiency
- Pion rejection at the level 1000:1 for the scattered electron
- Good J/psi invariant mass resolution: 50 MeV or less
- Virtual photon beam energy resolution: 30 MeV or less
- Good *t* resolution near threshold: 0.15 GeV² or less for electroproduction 0.04 GeV² or less for photoproduction

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