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The Electron-Ion Collider

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Outline

- ***** Overview of the EIC
- * The physics motivation: what is the EIC for?
- * The two proposed accelerator designs: JLEIC and eRHIC
- * Detector requirements and concepts
- ***** Current status



Electron-Ion Collider: overview

World's first polarized electron-proton/light ion and electron-Nucleus collider:

- * Polarized beams: e, p, d/³He
- * Wide range of nuclei
- * 20 100 (upgradable to 140) GeV
 variable CoM
- ***** Polarisation ~ 70%



Two proposals:

- *** JLEIC**: 3 10 GeV e-, up to 100 GeV/u ions, Luminosity L ~ 10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹
- *** eRHIC**: 5 18 GeV e⁻/e⁺, 50-275 GeV (p) \ and <100 GeV/u ions, L ~ 10³³ cm⁻²s⁻¹

eRHIC @ Brookhaven National



Design in flux: physics case evolving, machine and detector design developing.







2012 EIC White Paper, *Eur. Phy. J. A 52, 9 (2016)*

EIC box includes different baseline designs

A (very abridged) history of the nucleon

Before 1956: the nucleon is point-like and fundamental...





(Wikipedia)

LABORATORY ANGLE OF SCATTERING (IN DEGREES)



1960s: the Ouark Model. Nucleons are composed of three valence quarks! Gell-Mann (Nobel Prize 1969), Zweig.

1968: Deep Inelastic scattering at SLAC: scaling observed. The proton consists of point-like charges: partons! Friedman, Kendall, Taylor: Nobel Prize 1990

1972: Theory of QCD developed.



1956: Elastic scattering at SLAC: the proton has internal structure! Hofstadter: Nobel Prize 1961.





1970s-1990s: Deep Inelastic Scattering reveals a rich structure: quark-gluon sea, flavour distributions, puzzles of spin... what you see depends on how closely you look!

21st Century: High-precision imaging of quarks and gluons. 3D tomography of the nucleon: spatial and momentum distributions inside it across all scales.







What is the EIC for?

* Designed primarily for the study of hadron physics:

- What is the origin of nucleon mass? How is it generated from the almost massless quarks and massless gluons?
- ✤ What is the quark-gluon origin of the nuclear force?
- How do hadrons and nuclei emerge from quarks and gluons? What is the nature of confinement?
- * 3D tomography of the nucleon: distributions of partons from the valence quark region to the quark-gluon sea.



* Nucleon spin puzzle: decomposition of nucleon spin — contribution of gluons.

$$J_q = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + L_q + J_g$$

- * Effect of nuclear medium on the propagation of a colour charge: insight into hadronisation and the EMC effect.
- ***** Search for gluon saturation: a new form of matter.

The list is NOT exhaustive...

Kinematics in the Deep Inelastic regime



Bjorken variable:
$$x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2\mathbf{p}_n \cdot \mathbf{q}}$$

In Deep Inelastic Scattering, can be equated to **x** (fraction of longitudinal momentum of nucleon carried by struck quark)

A constructivist view of the nucleon





(using M. Anselmino et al., J. Phys. Conf. Ser. 295, 012062 (2011))





Images of the nucleon



Wigner function: full phase space parton distribution of the nucleon

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 δz_{\perp}

 $f(x,b_1)$

 \boldsymbol{b}_{\perp}



relate, in the infinite momentum frame, transverse position of partons (*b*_⊥) to longitudinal momentum (*x*).

 $\int d^2 k_T$

* Deep exclusive reactions, e.g.: Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering, Deeply Virtual Meson production.

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Generalised Parton Distributions (GPDs)



Fourier Transform of electric Form Factor: transverse charge density of a nucleon



proton

neutron

C. Carlson, M. Vanderhaeghen PRL 100, 032004 (2008)

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Jefferson Lab: fixed-target electron scattering $0.1 < x_B < 0.7$







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EIC: $10^{-4} < x_B < 0.3$

Luminosity 100 - 1000 times that of HERA

Interpretations of the nucleon

What do spatial distributions tell us?



Courtesy of A. Deshpande

Bag Model: Gluon field distribution is wider than the fast moving quarks. Gluon radius > Charge Radius

Constituent Quark Model: Gluons and sea quarks hide inside massive quarks. Gluon radius ~ Charge Radius

Lattice Gauge theory (with slow moving quarks), gluons more concentrated inside the quarks: Gluon radius < Charge Radius

Need transverse images of the quarks and gluons in confinement

Nucleon tomography: imaging glue

* Gluon GPDs can be accessed through deeply virtual meson production (DVMP), eg: J/Ψ



EIC White Paper, Eur. Phy. J. A 52, 9 (2016)

Nucleon tomography: imaging quarks



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The Nucleon Spin Puzzle

* What contributes to nucleon spin?

accessed, in Ji's decomposition, via **GPDs**, which

contain information on total angular momentum, J_{q} .

* 1980's: European Muon Collaboration (EMC) measures contribution of valence quarks to proton spin to be ~ 30 %. Subsequent deep inelastic scattering (DIS) experiments confirm.



In Ji's decomposition of nucleon spin, the gluon spin and OAM terms cannot be separated.

Gluon spin

0.04

0.02

-0.02

-0.04

0

 $x\Delta s$

- * DVMP: GPDs provide access to the orbital angular momentum carried by the sea quarks
- * DIS and SIDIS will contribute extremely precise measurements of the helicity distributions of gluons.

sea-quarks

DSSV+ & EIC 5×100, 5×250

10 -1

all uncertainties for $\Delta \chi^2 = 9$

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E. Aschenauer et al., Phys. Rev. D 86, 054020 (2012)

DSSV

10⁻²

 $x\Delta u$

0.04

0.02

-0.02

-0.04

0

D. de Florian, R. Sassot, M. Stratmann, W. Vogelsang, **DSSV:** Phys. Rev. **D 80**, 034030 (2009). **DSSV+:** arXiv:1112.0904 [hep-ph]

EIC reach for gluon spin



E. Aschenauer et al., Phys. Rev. D 92, 094030 (2015)

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Virtual Photon Incoming

Hadronisation

Courtesy of E. Aschenauer

- *How does the nuclear environment affect the distributions of quarks and gluons and their interactions inside nuclei?
- * How does nuclear matter respond to fast moving color charge passing through it?
- *Are there differences for light and heavy quarks?

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Runaway glue



* Gluons are charged under colour: can generate (and absorb) other gluons.

* Nucleon probed at high energies, time dilation of strong interaction processes: gluons appear to live longer, emitting more and more gluons. Runaway growth! Runaway growth?

Saturation of gluon density

***** Runaway growth of glue at low-x:

"...A small color charge in isolation builds up a big color thundercloud...."



Courtesy of A. Deshpande

Phases of hadronic matter



Recombination of gluons leads to saturation of gluon densities.

Possible effective theory: Colour Glass Condensate.

Can we reach saturation at EIC?



EIC White Paper, Eur. Phy. J. A 52, 9 (2016)

Saturation regime would be accessible at much lower energy in *e*-*A* collisions than *e*-*p*. You do not need a TeV collider!

A sign of gluon saturation

A powerful signature is diffractive cross-sections:

Deep Inelastic Scattering

Diffractive Scattering



 $\sigma_{\rm diff} \propto [g(x,Q^2)]^2$

Saw ~10% diffractive events at HERA.

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What do we want from the machine?

- * Parton imaging in 3D: high luminosity, 10^{33-34} cm⁻² s⁻¹ and above.
- Wide coverage of phase space from low to high x and up to high Q²:
 variable centre of mass energy.
- * Spin structure: high polarisation of electrons (0.8) and light nuclei (0.7).
- Studies of hadronisation, search for saturation at high gluon densities: a wide range of ion species up to the heaviest elements (p -> U).
- * Flavour tagging: large acceptance detectors with good PID capabilities.

What will we be able to do?



Jefferson Lab, Virginia, USA





Jefferson Lab

CEBAF: Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility.

* Energy up to 11 GeV (Halls A, B, C), 12 GeV Hall D

***** Energy spread $\delta E/E_e \sim 10^{-4}$

***** Electron polarisation up to >80%, measured to 3%

Beam size at target < 0.4 mm</p>





JLEIC



- *Use CEBAF as full-energy injector (polarisation ~85%). Addition of an ion source, booster, and a figure-of-8 collider ring for electrons and ions.
- High luminosity reached through small beam size (small emittance through cooling and low bunch charge with high repetition).
- *High polarisation through figure-of-8 design (net spin precession is zero, spin controlled with small magnets)

JLEIC Reach



high

synchrotron radiation

Courtesy of V. Morozov (JLab)

JLEIC: electron ring



Courtesy of V. Morozov (JLab)

JLEIC: ion ring



 Protons: 100 GeV/u (63 GeV/u in COM with 10 GeV e) Lead: 40 GeV/u (40 GeV/u in COM with 10 GeV e)

Courtesy of V. Morozov (JLab)

Brookhaven National Lab, NY, USA



eRHIC

- Exploit current 275 GeV proton collider by adding a 5-18 GeV electron storage ring in the same tunnel.
- * High luminosity requires novel technologies of hadron cooling — currently most promising is micro-bunched electron-beam cooling with 2 plasma amplification stages.





- * 29 141 GeV CoM energies
- Polarised electron source and 400 MeV SLAC-type injector LINAC, 10 nA.
- * Harmonic spin matching for higher polarisation (~80%).
- *Highest risk in the design: hadron cooling for high luminosity (factor of ~3).

eRHIC Reach



Courtesy of E. Aschenauer (BNL)





Detector Requirements: leptons

*** Electron**: PID, tracking, energy measurement

- Backward: electron E < 20 GeV, central region E < 50 GeV.
- Require good electron/hadron separation.
- EM Calorimeters, Silicon / TPC / GEM tracking
- Kinematic range of x and Q^2 determined by electron acceptance.

* Very low Q² (quasi-real photons): electrons very close to the beam-line, need to consider in the design of the interaction region (coordination with accelerator experts).

Detector Requirements: hadrons

*** Hadron** PID, tracking, momentum and energy measurement:

- Forward region E < 100 GeV, central region ~ a few GeV, backward region < 20 GeV.
- Central region DIRC / fast TOF, forward region: RICH, hadronic calorimeters, Roman pots (protons), zero-degree calorimeter (neutrons).

 High energy **photons** for Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering: EM calorimeter (backward).

Generic Detector Concept

Main detector designs

TOPside (Argonne)

The EIC Users Group

795 members, 170 Institutes, 29 Countries 453 experimentalists, 158 theorists, 142 accelerator-physicists, 42 other

and growing...

www.eicug.org

EIC timeline

◆ 2007 Nuclear Physics Long Range Plan: "The EIC is embodying the vision of reaching the next QCD frontier"

◆ 2012 EIC White Paper, Eur. Phy. J. A 52, 9 (2016)

- 2015 Nuclear Physics Long Range Plan: "high-energy, high-luminosity polarised EIC as the highest priority for new facility construction following completion of FRIB"
- ◆ 2016 EIC Users Group acquires formal charter, representatives (including one for Europe) are elected to the board. Bi-annual meetings in the US.
- ♦ 2017 First European meeting of EICUG held in Trieste, Italy, in July.
- ◆ 2017 National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine review of the science case. Expect report — literally — any minute...
- Indications of a favourable result, CD0 (approval of mission need) ~ 2019.
- Construction: ~ some time in the 2020s!

Conclusions

- * The EIC will be the first electron ion collider providing polarised electrons and light ions, and unpolarised heavy ions.
- Combing a large variable centre-of-mass energy reach and an extremely high luminosity, it will allow measurements of very low cross-section processes from the valence quark region to the quark-gluon sea.
- * Two sites in the US are considered for the construction of the facility: Jefferson Lab and Brookhaven National Lab.
- *Several detector designs are currently under development: international effort.
- * Main challenges on EIC design: hadron cooling for high luminosity, sufficient machine-element free space around interaction point (~5m) for detectors, particle detection and PID close to the beam-line: requires co-ordination between accelerator and detector scientists.
- * EIC project under review by the National Academies of Science. CD0 approval expected soon!

