

Status and Perspectives of a US-based Electron-Ion Collider (EIC)



Electron-Ion Collider facility concepts





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• EIC impact on helicity distributions of anti-u, anti-d and s quarks together with gluons



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Impact Parameter Distribution

• Spin-dependent 1+2D momentum space (transverse) images from

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Luminosity / CME / Kinematic coverage

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- eRHIC layout and parameters
 - eRHIC design concept:
 - Added electron storage ring (5-18GeV)
 (~80% pol.) with up to 2.1A e-current and
 10MW max. RF power
 - Proton beams up to 275GeV (~70% pol.) and ion beams up to 100GeV/n - existing RHIC facility
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 - Repetition rate: 112.6MHz (With cooling)
 - □ Flat proton beam formed by cooling
 - Polarized electron source and 400MeV injector linac
 - On-energy polarized electron injector
 - Alternative approach of e-ERL accelerator considered in past / Technology risks addressed by R&D

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- JLEIC layout and parameters
 - JLEIC design concept:
 - Polarized electrons 3 to 12GeV and polarized protons 40 to 100-400GeV and ions 40 to 160GeV/u - Polarization > 70%
 - Polarized light ions d, ³He and possibly
 Li / A above 200 (Au,Pb)
 - Electron complex with CEBAF as full energy injector and collider ring up to 12GeV
 - Ion complex with source and linac,
 booster and collider ring
 - Polarization Figure-8 topology for ions rings / Spin precessions in left/right section of Figure-8 arrangement cancel
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- eA: Impact parameter determination / Neutron tagging using Zero-Degree Calorimeter (ZDC)

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Generic Detector R&D program for an EIC

- In January 2011, BNL, in association with JLab and the DOE Office of NP, announced a generic detector R&D program to address the scientific requirements for measurements at a future EIC facility.
- O Goals:
 - Enable successful design and timely implementation of an EIC experimental program
 - Develop instrumentation solutions that meet realistic cost expectations
 - **Stimulate the formation of user collaborations to design and build experiments**
- Peer-reviewed program funded by DOE and managed by BNL with \$1M/year to \$1.5M/year Initiated and coordinated by Tom Ludlam (BNL) until 2014 / Since 2014 coordinated by Thomas Ullrich (BNL)
- Key to success: Standing EIC Detector Advisory Committee
 - Current members: Marcel Demarteau (ANL), Carl Haber (LBNL), Peter Krizan (Ljubljana), Ian Shipsey (Oxford),
 Rick van Berg (UPenn), Jerry Va'vra (SLAC) and Glenn Young (JLab)
 - Past members: Robert Klanner (Hamburg) and Howard Wieman (LBL)
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2 barrel layers of MAPS sensors (20X20µm2) with ~0.3% X/X0 per layer / Similar technology for forward and rear disks









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-4 < η < -1.55	PbWO ₄	2 cm x 2 cm	2.5% / √E ⊕ 1%
-1.55 < η < 1.24	W-SciFi	0.025 x 0.025	16% / √E ⊕ 5%
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Detector design: TOPSiDE - JLab

W. Armstrong



- TOPSIDE: Timing Optimized PID Silicon Detector for the EIC
- Features:
 - \Box Ultra-fast Si detectors (UFSD TOF) (PID $\pi/K/p$ separation)
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 - \square Full particle-ID over entire central and rear regions (-5 < η < 3)
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Detector design: JLEIC (1) - JLab

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 Charge: Focus on scientific justification besides impact to other fields in science and society

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Comparing all existing and proposed accelerator facilities around the world, the committee concluded that an EIC with high energy and luminosity, and highly polarized electron and ion beams, would be unique and in a position to greatly further our understanding of visible matter "An EIC would be the most sophisticated and challenging accelerator currently proposed for construction in the U.S. and would significantly advance accelerator science and more specifically collider science and technologies, here and around the world," said committee co-chair Gordon Baym, Center for Advanced Study Professor Emeritus, George and Ann Fisher Distinguished Professor of Engineering Emeritus, and Research Professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, "The realization of an EIC is absolutely crucial to maintaining the health of the field of nuclear physics in the U.S. and would open up new areas of scientific investigation. Currently, the Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) in Long Island, New York, has a heavy ion collider, and the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Laboratory (JLab) in Newport News, Virginia, has very energetic electron beams. Both labs have proposed design concepts for an EIC that would use their already available infrastructure, expertise, and experience. The report, without favoring one over the other, says that taking advantage of the existing facilities would make development of an EIC cost effective and reduce associated risks that come with building a large accelerator facility. While both labs have well-developed designs for an EIC, both would require considerable R&D to fully deliver on the compelling science questions. The report states DOE R&D investment has been and would continue to be crucial to minimizing design risks in a timely fashion and to addressing outstanding accelerator challenges The committee added that along with advancing nuclear science, an EIC would also benefit other areas such as astrophysics, particle physics, accelerator physics, and theoretical and computational modeling. It would also play a valuable role in sustaining the U.S. nuclear physics workforce in the coming decades. Moreover, it would have a significant role in advancing more broadly the technologies that would result from the research and development undertaken in the implementation and construction of an EIC in the U.S. The report emphasizes that an EIC is the only high-energy collider being planned for construction in the U.S. currently, and building such a facility would maintain U.S. leadership in accelerator collider science while benefiting the physical sciences. "The science that an EIC would achieve is simply unique and would ensure U.S. leadership in nuclear science as well as the accelerator science and technology of colliders around the world," said committee co-chair Ani Aprahamian, Freimann Professor of Experimental Nuclear Physics at the University of Notre Dame The study was sponsored by DOE. The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine are private, nonprofit institutions that provide independent, objective analysis and advice to the nation to solve complex problems and inform public policy decisions related to science, technology, and medicine. The National Academies operate under an 1863 congressional charter to the National Academy of Sciences, signed by President Lincoln. For more information, visit http://national-academies.org Contacts Kacey Templin, Media Relations Officer Joshua Blatt, Media Belations Associate Office of News and Public Information 202-334-2138: e-mail news@nas.e Bernd Surrow

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Committee Statement of Task -- from DOE to the BPA

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Bottom Line

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The project is strongly supported by the nuclear physics community.

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NAS report main "global" findings

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