# CLAS12 run-group additions

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### E12-11-003C

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#### a CLAS Run-Group Addition Proposal

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#### E12-07-104A

Run Group B Proposal: Quasi-real Photoproduction on Deuterium

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## Outline

- Physics goals
- Experimental setup and compatibility with Run-Group configuration
- Expected results
- Collaboration review



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### Addition for CLAS12 RG-F (BONUS12): E12-06-113



### **Neutron Generalized Parton Distributions**

- **GPD**s contain information on:
  - $\rightarrow$  Correlation between longitudinal momentum and transverse spatial position of partons
  - $\rightarrow$  Correlation between quarks and anti-quarks
- Can be accessed via hard exclusive processes such as deeply virtual Compton scattering (DVCS)



• The **DVCS** signal in reaction  $eN \rightarrow eN\gamma$  is enhanced by the **interference** with BH



### Why Do We Need to Measure Neutron GPDs?

 While free proton 3D tomography has been extracted within the GPDs framework, much less is known about the neutron structure due to the unavailability of free neutron targets

 $\delta z_1 \sim 1/Q$ 

- First dedicated nDVCS measurement at CLAS12, E12-11-003, γ\* + d → n + γ + (p), looking for the flavor separation of GPDs:
  - $\rightarrow$  90 days on D at L = 10 <sup>35</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>
  - → Forward CLAS12 (+ Forward tagger) + Central CLAS12 detectors.
  - → Neutrons being detected using the central neutron detector (CND) (10% detection efficiency)
  - $\rightarrow$  First data taking in Spring19, to continue in the Fall



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## **RG-F (BONuS12) Experimental Setup**

- 10.6 GeV electron beam
- 35 days on D
- 5 days on H<sub>2</sub>
- with L = 2 · 10 <sup>34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>

#### **Forward Detector:**

- $\rightarrow$  Superconducting **Torus** magnet.
- → Standard detector configuration: HTCC, DC, LTCC, FTOF, PCAL and EC

### **Central Detector:**

- → Target: (400 mm long, 6 mm diameter) D gas @ 7.5 atm, 293 K
- → **BONuS12 RTPC:** detects low energy spectator protons
- → Solenoid: shields the detectors from Møller electrons, enabling tracking in the RTPC
- $\rightarrow$  Additional detectors to be used: CTOF, CND, and FMT



### Need high electron beam polarization



### **nDVCS Proposed Measurements**

• Tagged-proton nDVCS:  $e^-D \rightarrow e^-p\gamma(n)$ 

 $\rightarrow$  Study the partonic structure of the neutron via measuring the beam asymmetry  $A_{LU}$ 

$$A_{LU} = \frac{d^4\sigma^+ - d^4\sigma^-}{d^4\sigma^+ + d^4\sigma^-} = \frac{1}{P_B} \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-}$$



### ■ Fully exclusive nDVCS: e<sup>-</sup> D → e<sup>-</sup>nγp

- $\rightarrow$  Study the Fermi motion effect on A<sub>LU</sub>
- $\rightarrow$  Measure the size of the FSI on A<sub>LU</sub>
- → Explore the size of the systematic uncertainties on RG-B measurement





## **Tagged-proton nDVCS projections**



- 9M expected events.
- Total of 108 bins in x\* vs. t vs. phi
- 20% conservative sys. uncertainties
- Exploring the neutron's CFF via the BSA
- Compare the nDVCS to free proton DVCS



## Fully exclusive nDVCS projections



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P<sub>p</sub> [GeV]

## E12-11-003C: summary

- Addition for CLAS12 RG-F (BONUS12), E12-06-113
- Unique opportunity to study neutron DVCS on a "free" neutron target, accessing QCD within the GPD framework
- Complementary to the approved E12-11-003 experiment,  $\gamma^*d \rightarrow n\gamma(p)$
- Measurement of the neutron DVCS beam-spin asymmetry by:
  - tagging the spectator slow-recoiling proton
  - measuring the fully exclusive neutron DVCS channel
- Additional physics topics (π<sup>0</sup> production off D, coherent and incoherent DVCS and DVMP off D, …) would become accessible
- Proposal reviewed by the CLAS Collaboration receiving full endorsement
- Requires high beam polarization:
  - High polarization expected for beam energy of 10.5 GeV
  - Agreement with RG-F spokesperson on time necessary to measure the beam polarization



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- Addition for CLAS12 RG-B (liquid deuteron target):
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  - -E12-09-007
  - -E12-09-008
  - -E12-09-008B
  - -E12-11-003
  - -E12-11-003A
  - -E12-11-003B



### **Proton-Antiproton resonances**



- Resonances seen at DESY in  $\gamma p \rightarrow p p \bar{p}$
- Narrow resonances in pion production experiments at the CERN Omega Spectrometer
- Results from BESIII show enhancements but no narrow resonances
- Long and conflicting history of proton-antiproton resonant states!



### **Proton-Antiproton in CLAS**



g6b run with limited statistics

at CLAS-g12

- Past searches limited by ambiguities from the two final state protons
- This proposal:
  - Search for p-pbar states in  $\gamma n \rightarrow np\overline{p}$  and  $\gamma d \rightarrow dp\overline{p}$
  - Use quasi-real photoproduction with low-q electron tagging or untagged electron scattering
  - No ambiguities thanks to deuteron/neutron target
  - Search for resonances with a much wider invariant mass range

### **Coherent Dihadron Production**





- Preliminary result from CLAS-eg3 analysis
- Unexpected larger cross section for proton-antiproton than pion or Kaon production at masses > 2GeV
- Diquark pair production?  $(qq) \overline{q q}$
- Limited statistics at eg3: ~300 events
- This proposal:
  - Study invariant mass with higher statistics and larger invariant masses
  - Learn about production mechanism



## **Proposal request and projections**

Beam time	Remaining approved RGB beam time (~69 PAC days)
Beam energy	11 GeV (at least > 10 GeV)
Beam current	≥ 50nA
Polarization	n/A
Setup	CLAS12 and FT (as Spring 2019)
Torus	inbending
Trigger	2 particles in FD, opposite charge and sector



### $\gamma n \rightarrow n p \overline{p}$

- Cross section: σ ≈ 50nb (conservative estimate)
- Acceptance and efficiency from GEANT4 simulations for 3 particles: 1.6%
- N<sub>e-tagged</sub> ≈ 75k events
- No tagging ≈ 750k events
- 1/3 of data in Fall 2019



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## E12-07-104A: summary

- Search for p-pbar resonances in quasi-real photoproduction on neutron and deuteron
- Study of coherent production, x10 higher statistics than previous CLAS data
- Increase invariant mass coverage up to 3.5 GeV/c2 (CLAS 2.4GeV/c2)
- Only requires change of RGB muon trigger
  - General dihadron trigger
  - Increase rate by 4kHz; total rate 18kHz < DAQ limit</li>
- Access to other final states:  $\gamma n \rightarrow K^+ \Sigma^- \text{ or } \gamma n \rightarrow \rho^- p$
- Fully compatible with other RG-B experiments
- Proposal reviewed by the CLAS Collaboration receiving full endorsement

