

# Far Forward Region Calorimetry at EIC

#### Sasha Bylinkin

The University of Bergen

On behalf of the Detector-1 Collaboration

EICUG Early Career Workshop, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## Outline

- Introduction and motivation
- Far Forward Calorimeters
  - B0 Detector
  - ZDC
- Physics studies examples
- Summary

#### Far-forward physics at EIC



- The various physics channels require tagging of charged hadrons (protons, pions) or neutral particles (neutrons, photons) at very-forward rapidities(>4.5).
- Different final states require different detector subsystem for detection.
- Different collision systems provide unique challenges due to magnetic rigidity difference between beam and final-state particles.
- Placing far-forward detectors uniquely challenging due to presence of machine components, space constraints, apertures, etc



## **EIC Far-Forward region**



Detector	(x,z) Position [m]	Dimensions	$\theta$ [mrad]	Notes	Acceptance
ZDC	(-0.96, 37.5)	(60cm, 60cm, 1.62m)	heta < 5.5	$\sim$ 4.0 mrad at $\phi = \pi$	η > 6.0
Roman Pots (2 stations)	(-0.83, 26.0) (-0.92, 28.0)	(30cm, 10cm)	$0.0 < \theta < 5.5$	$10\sigma$ cut.	η > 6.0
Off-Momentum Detector	(-1.62, 34.5), (-1.71, 36.5)	(50cm, 35cm)	$0.0 < \theta < 5.0$	$0.4 < x_L < 0.6$	η > 6.0
B0 Trackers and Calorimeter	(x = -0.15, 5.8 < z < 7.0)	(32cm, 38m)	$6.0 < \theta < 22.5$	${\sim}20\mathrm{mrad}$ at $\phi{=}0$	$4.6 > \eta > 5.9$ 5

#### Challenges to B0 Tracking and Calorimeter Systems

**0.** The whole detector is located inside a 20cm radius magnet

1. The B0 is the most challenging EIC magnet: it needs to provide both field for the proton/ion beam and no field for the electron beam, in limited space.

2. The acceptance along z changes due to the crossing angle (25mrad) as the B0 is aligned with the electron beam.

3. Access only possible from IP side, and no access from the hadron downstream side as that region is integrated with the cold mass.

4. Operation of the B0 Tracker and Calorimeter very close to the beam.



Will the calorimeter impact the tracking performance?

## B0 Tracker and Calorimeter Design



Charged particle reconstruction and photon tagging.

- Precise tracking (~10um spatial resolution).
- Fast timing for background rejection and to remove crab smearing (~35ps).
- Photon detection (tagging or full reco).

Four Si tracking planes occupy 1m of 120cm 2mm of Cu after each tracking layer to model cooling and readout

They are followed by 10cm PbW0<sub>4</sub> Calorimeter 2\*2cm granularity

7cm at the back of the Calorimeter are assumed for its readout

Oval shape of the cut off for the hadron beam:

- Account for the 25mrad crossing angle
- Allows to increase the acceptance at large  $\eta$

#### Geant4 Simulation:



## B0 Tracker

B field as coordinate

40

30

magcheck

579675 115

-1.066

Entries

Mean x

Mean v

B0 dipole magnet field is added to the field map to be passed to the Kallman filter.



8

#### B0 calorimeter acceptance



Reconstructed / Generated Energy

## B0 calorimeter resolution



The photon energy resolution is found to be below 7% for the studied kinematic region.

## Zero-Degree Calorimeter

- High resolution HCAL + EMCAL for detecting neutral forward-going particles (neutrons and photons)
  - HCAL requires  $\frac{\Delta E}{E} \sim \frac{50\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 5\%$  and  $\sigma_{\theta} \sim \frac{3 \text{ mrad}}{\sqrt{E}}$ , or better.
  - ALICE FoCal assumptions used for studies thus far (EIC R&D group started last summer).
  - Acceptance limited by bore of magnet where the neutron/photon cone exits ( $0.0 < \theta < 4.5$  mrad).



- Zero Degree Calorimeter (improved ALICE design):
  - Dimension: 60 cm x 60 cm x 168 cm
  - 30 m from IR
  - Detect spectator nucleon
  - Acceptance: +4.5 mrad, -5.5mrad
  - Position resolution ~1.3mm at 40 GeV
  - Full reconstruction of photons (EMCAL) and neutrons (HCAL)
- Sufficient calorimeter depth (radiation lengths,  $X_0$  for photons/electrons; nuclear interaction lengths,  $\lambda_I$  for neutrons/hadrons)
  - Required for good energy resolution.
- Granularity needed for proper reconstruction of shower.
  - Finding the center of the shower needed to provide angular resolution to get neutron transverse momentum!

#### Zero-Degree Calorimeter



\*Beam pipe effects are not included in performance studies



Photon energy resolution

Neutron Energy [GeV]

#### B0 and ZDC applications: Exclusive VM production

Both B0 (*PS or EMCal design*) and ZDC can be used to veto events with forward going photons *T. Toll and T. Ullrich* 



Measurement of the coherent spectrum down to the 3<sup>rd</sup> diffractive minimum requires rejection of incoherent events.

Nuclear breakup in incoherent events produces soft photons (~300 MeV) in the forward direction from the de-excitation of some of the larger nuclear fragments.

#### B0 and ZDC applications: u-channel DVCS

D'

ZDC

- For studies of *u*-Channel (Backward-angle) exclusive electroproduction, need capability to reconstruct photons from decays.
  - Physics beyond the EIC white paper!
- Would require full B0 EMCAL with high granularity and energy resolution.
- Longitudinal space in B0pf magnet limited.
  - Would be a great candidate for an upgrade or for IP8!



**Bethe-Heitler** 



#### u-Channel Meson Production Setup

GPD: It is extracted predominantly based in the forward angle observables.

TDA: meson-nucleon Transition Distribution Amplitude (TDA) only accessible through backward (u-channel) meson production

#### B0 and ZDC applications: u-channel DVCS

**Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering** 

**Enhanced acceptance and resolution with B0 calorimeter** 



\*Studies by Wenliang (Bill) Li

## Summary

- Detectors in the Far Forward region are important for various physics processes.
- Combined usage of ZDC and B0 detectors significantly increases the photon detection efficiency.
- Detecting photons in this region is essential for the measurements of **u-DVCS** and **coherent VM** production.

Thank you very much for your attention!

#### B0 Design



### B0 Design

