A second detector for the EIC



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Motivation for two detectors

Motivation for Two Detectors at a Particle Physics Collider

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It is generally accepted that it is preferable to build two general purpose detectors at any given collider facility. We reinforce this point by discussing a number of aspects and particular instances in which this has been important. The examples are taken mainly, but not exclusively, from experience at the Tevatron collider.

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Inspired by Mont's talk at the first EIC 2nd detector workshop in December 2022.

A second detector for the EIC

- Discovery potential and independent cross check of results
 - A second general-purpose detector would allow for mutual confirmation of results

 a crucial component of discovery science at a facility that is unique worldwide.
- Additional physics opportunities
- Cost-effective
 - Adding a 2nd detector is does not significantly increase operations costs of the facility
 - Construction is a one-time cost limited impact on annual nuclear physics budgets
- Timeline lessons from Fermilab
 - The D0 detector came 7 years after CDF, but both made comparable contributions to the science program.
 - A 2nd EIC detector would come online when the machine operates nominal parameters (after early running)

Expanding the EIC user community

- A slightly longer timeline may work better for some potential users
 - Other commitments, funding, etc
- Engaging with users interested in, for instance:
 - Expanded capabilities for eA
 - Beyond standard model physics
 - Hadron spectroscopy
 - Hypernuclei
 - Rare isotopes
 - Add your favorite topic here!
- Adding a second detector will benefit ePIC
 - Users who would want are interested in a 2nd detector may join the EIC early
 - This happened with spectroscopy in CLAS before GlueX was built

Luminosity, acceptance, and systematics



- Tomography / imaging requires a high luminosity – but also the best possible far-forward acceptance
- When the EIC reaches its design luminosity, many measurements will become systematics limited, and will greatly benefit from two detectors.

A 2nd detector with improved forward acceptance will have a large impact on all aspects of the EIC science program.

Reduction of systematics at HERA





- If two complementary detector are not too different and use similar binning, it is possible to combine data.
- In some kinematics the combined data have dramatically reduced systematic uncertainties.
- The EIC luminosity will be 1000 times higher.

A second detector for the EIC – new opportunities

The details the 2nd detector are not yet defined. Users will have a significant impact on design and construction. There are some natural ways for a second detector to expand the capabilities of the EIC.

- Taking advantage of much-improved near-beam hadron detection enabled by a second focus in IR8
 - Low-x / low-p_T proton acceptance (exclusive / diffractive reactions)
 - Detection of light nuclei from coherent processes (down to $p_T = 0$ at mid-to-high x)
 - Tagging a wide range of spectator nuclei, including A-1 for reactions on a bound nucleon
 - Vetoing breakup of heavier nuclei by being able to detect the produced fragments
 - Properties of the nuclear final state (hypernuclei, rare isotopes, etc, including gamma spectroscopy)
- Complementarity with ePIC
 - Much-improved muon identification (quarkonia, TCS/DDVCS, jets, BSM, ...)
 - Higher magnetic field for better tracking resolution (diffraction on heavy nuclei, hadron spectroscopy)
 - High-resolution barrel EMcal (DVCS on nuclei, hadron spectroscopy) ?
 - Improved hadron PID in the barrel from continued DIRC R&D (SIDIS, jets, hadron spectroscopy)?

ePIC detector - radial size



- Outer radius of the barrel EM calorimeter: 116 cm (from J. Lajoie)
- Inner (bore) radius of the SC solenoid: 142 cm (similar to BaBar)
- ePIC would fit into a bore with a 120 cm radius
 - Natural starting point for simulations ePIC can be used as a benchmark

First study of a detector 2 solenoid



- Comparison with ePIC (MARCO) solenoid
 - 30% (1 m) shorter coil
 - 15% smaller inner (bore) radius
 - creates more radial space between solenoid and endcap
 - 3 T achievable within a 3 m outer radius

- Symmetric flux return
 - Reduced coil forces => thinner cryostat
 - Integrated with KLM-like Hcal in barrel
 - +/- 4.5 m overall detector length (original DPAP spec)
 - same solenoid-to-endcap desistance on hadron side, more space on the electron side than in ePIC

Note: the tracking resolution depends on the B-field and the tracker radius – not the solenoid radius

Muon identification for a 2nd EIC detector

- Most Hcals can provide some level of muon ID, but an optimized system gives a much better efficiency and purity.
 - Requires a high level of segmentation along the muon path
- Ongoing R&D uses the Belle II KLM as a starting point, but adds precision timing and energy measurements in each layer.

 In combination with AI methods for reconstruction, simulations suggest that the EIC-KLM is also a surprisingly good Hcal.



How the second focus works

- Idea: make the beam small at the location where the transverse displacement of scattered particles is the greatest
 - Displacement: dr = dispersion * dp/p
 - In DIS, dp/p ~ x

- A particle (blue) initially scattered at 0 degrees (p_T = 0) briefly emerges from the beam at the second focus about 40 m downstream where it can be detected
 - Compare trajectory with horizontal (red) beam size
 - Particles with $p_T > 0$ emerge earlier



EIC far-forward acceptance with and without a 2nd focus



Production and detection of hypernuclei



Detected in the central detector

Detected in the far-forward detectors

- Coherent exclusive K⁺ production creates a hypernucleus differing by one unit of charge.
 - Sufficient for any hypernucleus to be detected by the 2nd detector using the second focus of IR8
 - Coincidence with K⁺ will provide a clean signature
- A broad range of hypernuclei can be discovered and characterized
 - Boosted gamma photons can be detected at the ZDC and B0
 - Synergetic with studies of rare isotopes

Scattering on nuclei

Scattering on a bound nucleon, measuring the spectator nucleus

- Neutron (and bound proton) structure can be studied using deuterium beams by tagging the spectator A-1 nucleus
- With a second focus, we can measure scattering a nucleon while detecting the A-1 spectator nucleus for almost any beam

Coherent exclusive scattering

- For light nuclei, the 2^{nd} focus enables *detection* of the nucleus with close to 100% acceptance down to $p_T = 0$.
 - Clean measurement of 3D structure.
- For heavier nuclei, fragment detection helps to create a very efficient breakup veto.





Vetoing breakup in coherent scattering using a second focus



At the third diffractive minimum, a rejection factor for incoherent event better than 400:1 (0.0025% inefficiency) must be achieved Veto inefficiency for incoherent events



Fragment detection in Roman pots at the second focus suppresses incoherent backgrounds even at large *t*.

Also applicable to, *e.g.*, DVCS on medium nuclei

Timelike Compton Scattering (exclusive dilepton photoproduction)





Initial photon spacelike, final photon real

- Initial photon real, final photon timelike \rightarrow I⁺ I⁻
- TCS analysis uses the lepton c.m. angles θ and ϕ
 - Integration over the angles projects out amplitude (CFFs)

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- Fixed-target experiments have limited forward acceptance
 - Loss of useful statistics and complicated systematics
- EIC benefits from excellent dilepton acceptance.



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- $k,k' = momentum of e^-, e^+ or \mu^-, \mu^+$
- θ = angle between the scattered proton and the electron
- ϕ = angle between lepton scattering- and reaction planes

Double DVCS $(Q^2 < Q'^2 => TCS-like)$

Challenging measurement Illustrative of many EIC / D2 features # events = luminosity x cross section x acceptance x time

- Double DVCS can probe GPDs outside of the $x = \xi$ line.
 - Low rates challenging, but cross section increases at lower x

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- 0.14 pb JLab @ 10.6 GeV
- 4.7 pb EIC @ 10 x 100 GeV
- Lepton acceptance and identification
 - Muon ID is *necessary* in order to distinguish the scattered electron from the DDVCS decay leptons
 - EIC di-muon acceptance helpful (as in TCS)
- Proton acceptance in an IR with a second focus
 - DDVCS measurements will focus on low t
 - 2nd focus gives a low-*t* proton acceptance close to 100%



DDVCS: initial and final photon virtual





Tentative schedule including a 2nd detector



Jim Yeck, EIC 2nd detector workshop, May 2023

A little out of date but nevertheless illustrative

2nd detector

Summary and outlook

 Having two detectors at the EIC will provide the necessary cross checks of discoveries and reduce systematic uncertainties (*cf.* H1 and ZEUS)

• A 2nd detector will also introduce new capabilities and opportunities

- The EIC UG has set up a 2nd detector WG to coordinate ongoing activities.
 - If you have questions or would like to contribute, please don't hesitate to contact us!
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Thank you!

Example: DVCS on nuclei

- In DVCS on the *proton*, both the photon and proton are detected for exclusivity
 - *t* can be determined from the *proton*
- In DVCS on the *nuclei*, the nucleus has to be detected or the breakup vetoed to ensured coherence and exclusivity.
 - *t* is determined from the *photon* (*cf.* coherent VM production on nuclei)
- For the best measurement of DVCS on nuclei, the 2nd EIC detector should have:
 - low-t acceptance (provided by the 2nd focus)
 - high-resolution EMcal coverage in the barrel

