Introduction to JLab science

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 Interested in all sorts of physics, currently focused on PVES and EIC

ALABAMA

Disclaimer

- Sorry to those who are well on their Physics learning journey
 - My guess is that some of you may not have had nuclear or particle physics courses at an advanced level and I want to make sure I don't lose you along the way
- As you go along you will find that quite a bit can be accomplished without perfect knowledge
 - I am shooting for a "big picture" understanding
- I am an experimentalist -> my slides will be focused on measurements
 - However, experiments are only half of the story -> theory the other
- The lectures are my attempt to weave together slides (lots of other summers schools out there), chapters, papers from a whole lot of different folks
 - Rolf End, Cynthia Keppel, Sanghwa Park, Krishna Kumar, Kent Paschke, ...

The talking "stick"

- Great tool for conversation invented by indigenous people of the Americas
- Rules:
 - You have the "stick": no one can interrupt you
 - BUT you do have to answer
 - Guesses are more than welcome we are going to exercise our physics intuition muscles and have some fun along the way
 - We will all learn from your answers (or questions) even if they are "wrong"
 - You don't have the "stick": you can listen and absorb what someone else is saying
 - Once they are done, we can continue the conversation respectfully





Talking stick test

- Question:
 - Where are you in your physics journey and what is something interesting about you?



Talking stick test

- Question:
 - What is something interesting about you?





Plan for the afternoon

- Go through some scattering basics
- Get a firm grasp of what makes JLab special
- Highlight the diversity in experiments here by talking through some examples
- But most importantly: <u>ask questions!</u>
 - I don't have to go through all the material I collected since you will have in depth lectures throughout the school



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About 25% of NP PhDs





JLab's superpower: USERS

- FY21: 1694 users in 278 institutions from 38 countries worldwide.
- US: 144 US institutions in 34 states, including 6 HBCU and 12 HSI





Rutherford Scattering

- While working for Rutherford at the University of Manchester Geiger and his undergraduate student Marsden observed that alpha particles emitted from "A" (radium) reflected more than 90 degrees onto a reflected screen "S" from a series of targets (lead, gold, tin, aluminum, copper, silver, iron, and platinum)
 - higher A resulted in more scintillation

LXXIX. The Scattering of α and β Particles by Matter and the Structure of the Atom. By Professor E. RUTHERFORD, F.R.S., University of Manchester *.

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§ 1. IT is well known that the α and β particles suffer deflexions from their rectilinear paths by encounters with atoms of matter. This scattering is far more marked

 Rutherford interpreted these results as being due to Coulomb scattering from the atomic nucleus

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 $\sigma(\theta) =$

 $z^2 Z^2 e^4$

 $16E^2 \sin^{4\frac{1}{2}\theta}$

1911



Hans Geiger

Ernest Rutherford

Ernest Marsden



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Rutherford Scattering

 Geiger and Marsden subsequently confirmed this prediction and concluded that the atom consists of a charged nucleus on the order of 10⁻¹⁴ m surrounded by a complement of electrons at about 10⁻¹⁰ m



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Ernest Rutherford

Ernest Marsden



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Electron scattering from nuclei



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Does the proton have a radius?

1948-50 – Schiff, Rosenbluth: suggest use of elastic electron-proton scattering to probe the proton:



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Robert Hofstadter Nobel Prize in Physics 1961

Does the proton have a radius?







Photo from the Nobel Foundation archive.

Fig. 9. Electron scattering from the proton at an incident energy of 188 MeV. *Curve* (*a*) shows the theoretical Mott curve for a spinless point proton. *Curve* (*b*) shows the theoretical curve for a point proton with a Dirac magnetic moment alone. *Curve* (*c*) shows the theoretical behavior of a point proton having the anomalous Pauli contribution in addition to the Dirac value of the magnetic moment. The deviation of the experimental curve from the Curve (*c*) represents the effect of form factors for the proton and indicates structure within the proton. The best fit in this figure indicates an rms radius close to $0.7 \cdot 10^{-13}$ cm.

https://www.nobelprize.org/uploads/2018/06/hofstadter-lecture.pdf



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As we may see in Fig. 9, the exper-

imental data fell below the expected theoretical curve for a proton possessing a point charge and a point magnetic moment. This behavior can be understood in terms of the theoretical scattering law developed by M. Rosenbluth¹¹ in 1950. This law described the composite effect of charge and magnetic moment scattering and is given by:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}\Omega} = \sigma_{NS} \left\{ F_{\mathrm{I}}^2 + \frac{\hbar^2 q^2}{4 M^2 c^2} \left[2 \left(F_{\mathrm{I}} + KF_2 \right)^2 \tan^2 \theta / 2 + K^2 F_2^2 \right] \right\}$$
(7)

where σ_{NS} is taken from Eq. 2 with Z = 1. In the Rosenbluth equation the quantity $F_1(q)$ is the Dirac form factor, representing the proton's charge and its associated Dirac magnetic moment. The quantity $F_2(q)$ is the Pauli form factor and represents the anomalous magnetic moment of the proton. *K* in the above equation indicates the static value (1.79) of the anomalous magnetic moment in nuclear magnetons.

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Form factors

Probability of elastic interaction:
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} / \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{point} = \left[\frac{G^2_E(Q^2) + \tau G^2_M(Q^2)}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G^2_M(Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right] \qquad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}$$



• Elastic cross section $\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\rm exp} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\rm Mott} \left| F(q^2) \right|^2$

Form factor

$$F(q^2) = \int e^{iqx/\hbar}
ho(x) d^3x$$

The form factor as a Fourier transformation of the charge distribution is a non-relativistic concept.



Electron scattering at fixed Q²



Electron scattering at fixed Q²



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The injector produces electron beams for experiments.



2 LINEAR ACCELERATOR

The straight portions of CEBAF, the linacs, each have 25 sections of accelerator called cryomodules. Electrons travel up to 5.5 passes through the linacs to reach 12 GeV. Jefferson Lab's Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility (CEBAF) enables world-class fundamental research of the atom's nucleus. Like a giant microscope, it allows scientists to "see" things a million times smaller than an atom.



8 EXPERIMENTAL HALL D

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Hall D is configured with a superconducting solenoid magnet and associated detector systems that are used to study the strong force that binds quarks together.

Diagram representational of below ground structure use for



3 CENTRAL HELIUM LIQUEFIER

The Central Helium Liquefier keeps the accelerator cavities at -456 degrees Fahrenheit.



(1)

4 RECIRCULATION MAGNETS

Quadrupole and dipole magnets in the tunnel focus and steer the beam as it passes through each arc.



(2)

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5 EXPERIMENTAL HALL A

Hall A is configured with two High Resolution Spectrometers for precise measurements of the inner structure of nuclei. The hall is also used for one-of-a-kind, large-installation experiments.



6 EXPERIMENTAL HALL B

The CEBAF Large Acceptance Spectrometer surrounds the target, permitting researchers to measure simultaneously many different reactions over a broad range of angles.



7 EXPERIMENTAL HALL C

The Super High Momentum Spectrometer and the High Momentum Spectrometer make precise measurements of the inner structure of protons and nuclei at high beam energy and current.



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- The double Wien allows us to change the helicity of the electron beam completely independently of the laser flips



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Injector setup – upgraded Mott polarimeter





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Accelerator



52-1/4 Cryomodules with 418 SRF Cavities to Accelerate Electrons in CEBAF



~500 Large Dipoles powered by >40 HVPS



16 RF Deflectors for Extracting Beams



>2800 Magnets to Focus and Steer Beam



>800 Beam Position Monitors



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Polarimetry: Møller

- Low-current, invasive measurement
- 3-4T field provides saturated magnetization perpendicular to the foil
- Redesigned for 11 GeV running

 ϕ -aperture quadrupoles Helmholtz coils Iron Foils target foil e-beam 25µm 12.5µm 4um 1µm

Longitudinally polarized electrons/target:

dipole

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega^*} = \frac{\alpha^2}{s} \frac{(3 + \cos^2 \theta^*)^2}{\sin^4 \theta^*} \left[1 + P_e P_t A_{\parallel}(\theta^*)\right]$$
$$A_{\parallel} = \frac{-(7 + \cos^2 \theta^*) \sin^2 \theta^*}{(3 + \cos^2 \theta^*)^2} \longrightarrow \text{At } \theta^* = 90 \text{ deg.} \Rightarrow -7/9$$

detector

Møller

stripe

Maximum asymmetry independent of beam energy



JLab targets



<1kW Liquid hydrogen/deuteron targets for hall A/C



H3 targets for Hall A (first in 30 years) Jefferson Lab



CLAS12 proton & deuteron polarized target



High power LH2 target (MOLLER)



Liquid hydrogen target for Hall D



CLAS12 He3 polarized target

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Spectrometers

- The spectrometer needs to prepare as clean as possible sample of scattered electrons
 - focus it on the detectors
 - remove as much background as possible
- Trade-offs: precision/flexibility acceptance







FIGURE 16 SKETCH OF 8 GeV Spectrometer



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Detector package

- Depending on the needs of the experiment different detector packages can be deployed
- Common detectors are:
 - trackers (such as DC)
 - Cerenkov detectors
 - calorimeters

 (electromagnetic and sometime hadronic)





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- The excess neutrons in ²⁰⁸Pb are thought to form a skin on the outside of the nucleus
- Similar to how the Fourier transform of the electromagnetic form factor gives charge density so too measuring the weak form factor can give the weak distribution

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- The numerator is dominated by the gamma-Z interaction which picks up (almost exclusively) the weak charge of the neutron
- The denominator contains the parity conserving electro-magnetic interaction which is several orders of magnitude stronger than the electro-weak interference term
 - This leads to very small asymmetries that are on the level of parts-per-million



Beam modulation system

- To span the 5 dimension phase space of beam motion at the target (position, angle, energy) we made use of a set of 6 coils and an energy vernier in the extraction arc
 - The extra set of air-core dipoles (coils) can be used as a cross check to confirm our procedure doesn't introduce unwanted noise
 - This modulation is automated and was performed throughout the data taking period

Beam monitors allow us to confirm clean transport through acceleration Beam modulation system allows us to span the phase space of beam motion



Beam Corrections

Modulation to calibrate sensitivity (α_i)



²⁰⁸Pb Target





- PREX-1 confirmed that the poor thermal conductivity of Pb will eventually lead to the breakdown of the target
 - Even though we provide Carbon (Diamond) backing to increase heat flow
- For PREX-2 we prepared a complement of 10 isotopically pure targets in the expectation that we will use approximately 6
 - Simulations predicted approximately 72 W of power deposition from the 70 μA rastered beam



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M*φ***ller**

stripe

Maximum asymmetry independent of beam energy

 One of the few sub percent polarization measurements at Jefferson Lab

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Average polarization:

(89.7 ± 0.8)%

25µm

12.5µm

4um

1µm

Magnet package



- The high resolution spectrometer (HRS) allows us to magnetically cleanly separate elastic and inelastic events
- The septum magnet provided the additional 8 degree bend into the first set of Quads
 - The acceptance defining collimators physically allow an area only as big as your palm



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Implications: neutron skin

Calculations by Chuck Horowitz

$$R_W = 5.795 \pm 0.082 \text{ fm} \rightarrow 1.4\%$$

$$R_W - R_{ch} = 0.292 \pm 0.082 \text{ fm}$$

$$R_n - R_p = 0.278 \pm 0.078 \text{ fm}$$

- The model uncertainty (from the surface thickness) is 0.013 fm while the γ -Z box correction error is 0.006 fm



 Thank you Jens Erler and Mikhail Gorchtein for the updated electroweak gamma-Z box corrections



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- The PREX-2 result is in good agreement with the NICER result and in slight tension with the tidal polarizability result obtained from GW170817 neutron star merge event observed by LIGO





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The Strange Quantum World

• Heisenberg's uncertainty principles say we can not measure momentum *p* and position *x* with absolute precision, or energy *E* and time *t*.

1.
$$\Delta p \ \Delta x \ge \frac{1}{2} \ \hbar$$
 2. $\Delta E \ \Delta t \ge \frac{1}{2} \ \hbar$

- Consequences:
 - 1. Particles that are bound or confined to small volumes will reach near-relativistic velocities
 - Protons inside atomic nuclei move with ~1/5 the speed of light, and quarks inside protons move at relativistic speeds.
 - 2. Pairs of virtual matter and anti-matter are continuously created and destroyed, borrowing their mass/energy by the uncertainty principle
 - □ They do not exist as observable entities, but their existence is exerted on other particles as subtle pressure, like the Casimir effect in the vacuum.
 - This means that conservation of energy can be temporarily broken, and matter/anti-matter pairs with larger mass than the proton can live short times inside this proton.







1D longitudinal momentum proton distributions



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1D longitudinal momentum proton distributions



- While decades of measurements have taught us much, we still have x regions that are poorly understood especially high x
 - Less information is available for the d-quark
- The valence region defines the structure of hadrons (baryon number, charge, flavor content ..)
- High x region facilitates comparison with lattice QCD
- "Valence regime" at large x, low Q² evolves to low x, high Q²
 - Intersection of nuclear and particle physics

F2n/F2p ratio

Testing ground for theory models

		F₂(n/p)	d/u
$F_2^p = x \Big[\frac{4}{9} (u + \bar{u}) + \frac{1}{9} (d + \bar{d}) + \frac{1}{9} (s + \bar{s}) \Big]$ $F_2^n = x \Big[\frac{4}{9} (d + \bar{d}) + \frac{1}{9} (u + \bar{u}) + \frac{1}{9} (s + \bar{s}) \Big]$	SU(6)	2/3	1/2
	Diquark model/Feynman	1/4	0
	Quark model/Isgur	1/4	0
	pQCD	3/7	1/5
	QCD counting rules	3/7	1/5

At large x,

$$\frac{F_2^n}{F_2^p} \approx \frac{1 + 4(d/u)}{4 + (d/u)}$$

- Unresolved issue due to lack of measurements
- The ratio is virtually unknown because we don't have access to a free neutron target
- F2d is not the sum of F2p and F2n!
 - large theory uncertainties from nuclear effects



F2n/F2p ratio



- Different approaches to extract the F2 ratio:
 - Model dependent: use deuteron high precision data
 - Reduced model dependence:
 - 3H/3He DIS data
 - Spectator tagging
 - Fully model independent:
 - parity violating DIS (SoLID)



Spectator tagging

"BONuS" Experiment at Jefferson Lab – use fixed target Tagged DIS to create an effective *free neutron* target



- "Hard" scattering inelastic event (high Q, W)
- Proton remains intact
- Low momentum proton = nucleons barely off
- ✓ Neutron target!





- Yes! If:
 - spectator momentum is low (<100MeV)
 - and spectator angle is very high (>100 degrees)



The technique works!



 $\cos\theta_{pq}$



Textbook physics



Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A592 (2008) 273-280 Phys. Rev. Lett. 108 (2012) 199902 Phys. Rev. C92 (2015) 1, 015211 Phys. Rev. C91 (2015) 5, 055206 Jefferson Lab



- > 200 *neutron* data points!
- Crucial input for global PDF fits
- Measure EMC effect in deuterium
- Neutron duality studies
- Still lower W, Q² than desirable....

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JLab 12GeV d/u constraints

J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys., 50:110501, 2023



- Less model dependent approaches:
 3H/3He ratio (MARATHON) results published (Phys.Rev.Lett. 128 (2022) 13, 132003)
 Spectator tagging (BoNus) - new data taken in 2020
- Model independent approach:
 Future PVDIS on proton (SoLID)



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Gep/SBS: Ratio of proton electric to magnetic form factors

How are the charge and magnetization currents distributed in the proton?





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PR12-23-013 proposal: O. Hen

SRC measurements



Similar to the BoNUS technique but with larger nuclei

 Breakup of SRC pairs lead to correlated nucleon emission



• Predominantly proton-neutron pairs



Quantum Numbers, Mass,

Asymmetry Dependence:

Phys. Rev. C 103, L031301 (2021) Phys. Lett. B 780, 211 (2018) PRC 92, 024604 (2015) PRC 92, 045205 (2015)

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Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 172502 (2019) Nature 560, 617 (2018) Science 346, 614 (2014) Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 022501 (2014)

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Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 092501 (2018)

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Nature Physics 17, 693 (2021) Phys. Lett. B 797, 134792 (2019) Phys. Lett. B 722, 63 (2013)

Effective Theory:

Nature Physics 17, 306 (2021) Phys. Lett. B 805, 135429 (2020) Phys. Lett. B 791, 242 (2019)



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Unique capabilities in hall D



- 12 GeV electron beam from CEBAF accelerator
- Coherent Bremsstrahlung on diamond radiator
- Linear polarization in peak $P_{\gamma} \sim 40\%$
- Energy tagged by scattered electrons
- Seam intensity: $1 5 \cdot 10^7 \gamma/s$ in peak



The questions that drive us forward

- What is the role of gluonic excitations in the spectroscopy of light mesons? Can these excitations elucidate the origin of quark confinement?
- Where is the missing spin in the nucleon? Is there a significant contribution from valence quark orbital angular momentum?
- Can we reveal a novel landscape of nucleon substructure through measurements of new multidimensional distribution functions?
- What is the relation between short-range N-N correlations, the partonic structure of nuclei, and the nature of the nuclear force?
- Can we discover evidence for physics beyond the standard model of particle physics?





Lunch sports! – all skill levels welcome





Ultimate frisbee: Th noon-1 jlabultimate@jlab.org Soccer: Fr noon-1 jlabsoccer@jlab.org



Backups



Proton Radius

Novel Electron Scattering Experiment Finds a Smaller Proton Radius





- First elastic scattering at very low momentum transfers
- Finding agrees with the revised value for the Rydberg constant—one of the most accurately evaluated fundamental constants in physics.

J/psi Photoproduction near Threshold



E, (GeV)

.... - 1 9.0

8.5_{0.2}

0.4

0.6

radius (fm)

0.8 0.0

Study the gluonic component of the nucleon

PRL 123 (2019) 177 Citations

Lattice, F. He

M_/M

0.2

0.3

et. al (2021)

0.1

Large theoretical

t Enterpretation of J/psi Photoproduction near Threshold based on the production mechanism

- 2-gluon exchange, factorization •
 - Relation to gravitational formfactors,
 - EMT trace anomaly nucleon mass
 - Relation to nucleon mass radius
- Other possible mechanisms: open charm exchange

Nature 615 (2023) 7954, 813-816 44 Citations

New Steps in Studying the 3D Structure of the Proton



 Validates the application of the GPD formalism to describe TCS data and hints at the universality of GPDs Test of GPDs Universality



Transition GPDs

First Measurement of Hard Exclusive π - Δ ++ Electroproduction Beam-Spin Asymmetries off the Proton

PRL 131, 021901,11 July 2023

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- 3D structure on resonances
- + Access to *d*-quark content

Generalization of GPDs to N

 $\rightarrow \Delta$ processes



Ringing Protons Give Insight Into The Early Universe

The Experimental Program at a Glance

- 12 GeV scientific era is going strong
 - ~30 weeks operation in FY23 and FY24 (planned)
 - High-profile results emerging from 12 GeV program
- Scientific priority determined by the Program Advisory Committee
- Readiness determined by Division Readiness Review process
- Nuclear Physics Experimental Scheduling Committee optimizes running for scientific output



 > 2029: we are exploring exciting scientific opportunities enabled by cost-effective and technically innovative CEBAF upgrade concept
Hall A



 Mapping the Nucleon Form Factors at high momentum transfer Precision measurement of the weak mixing angle off the Zpole Large acceptance + high luminosity $(10^{37} - 10^{39}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s})$

- 3D imagining of the nucleon
- PVDS Scattering to search for new interactions BSM
- J/Ψ production near threshold to study the gluonic component of QCD

The ongoing SBS Nucleon Form Factor program

FFs: Fundamental quantities related to a two-dimensional view of the charge and magnetization distribution in the nucleon, essential in understanding the nucleon

electromagnetic structure. GMn/GMp (E12-09-019) - Q2 up to 13.5 GeV2. COMPLETE!!! - Oct. 2021 - Feb. 2022



GEn/GMn (E12-09-016) - Q2 up to ~ 9.7 GeV2. COMPLETE!!! - Oct. 2022 - October 2023



 Q^2 [GeV²]

GEn-RP (E12-17-004) - Q2 ~ 4.5 GeV2 Expected start April 2024

- Ratio GEn/GMn by the Double-polarized
- Polarization Transfer in Wide-Angle Charged Pion Photoproduction (K_LL)

GEp/GMp (E12-07-109) - Q2 up to ~12 GeV2. Expected start October 2024

Fundamental structure of matter





Moving past 1D longitudinal momentum





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- TMDs
 - Confined motion in a nucleon (semi-inclusive DIS)
- GPDs
 - Spatial imaging (exclusive DIS)
- Requires
 - High luminosity
 - Polarized beams and targets
 - Sophisticated detector systems

Major new capability with JLab12 and EIC later on

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Electron Scattering Kinematics



Virtual photon \rightarrow off-mass shell $q_{\mu}q^{\mu} = v^2 - \mathbf{q}^2 \neq 0$

Define **two invariants**: 1) $Q^2 = -q_\mu q^\mu = -(k_\mu - k_\mu')(k^\mu - k'^\mu)$ $= -2m_e^2 + 2k_\mu k'^\mu$ $(m_e \sim 0) = 2k_\mu k'^\mu$ (LAB) = 2(EE' - k.k') $= 2EE'(1-cos(\Theta))$ $= 4EE'sin^2(\Theta/2)$ only assumption: neglecting $m_e^2!!$

2)
$$2M_V = 2p_\mu q^\mu = Q^2 + W^2 - M^2$$

Elastic scattering $\rightarrow W^2 = M^2 \rightarrow Q^2 = 2M(E-E')$



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