Far-Forward Detectors at the EIC

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(some) Far-Forward Processes at the EIC



(some) Far-Forward Physics at the EIC







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- Physics channels require tagging of charged hadrons (protons, pions) or neutral particles (neutrons, photons) at very-forward rapidities ($\eta > 4.5$).
- \blacktriangleright Different final states \rightarrow tailored detector subsystems.
- Various beams and energies (h: 41, 100-275 GeV, e: 5-18 GeV; e+p, e+d, e+Au, etc.).
- Placing and operation of far-forward detectors uniquely challenging due to integration with accelerator.







Far-Forward Detector Subsystems

B0 Detectors

Detector subsystem embedded in an accelerator magnet.



This is the opening where the detector planes will be inserted



Hadrons

B0 Detectors

Detector subsystem embedded in an accelerator magnet.



B0 Tracking and EMCAL Detectors





PbWO₄/LYSO EMCAL (behind tracker)

- > <u>Technology choices:</u>
 - > Tracking: 4 layers AC-LGADs
 - > PbWO4 or LYSO EMCAL.

- Status
 - ✓ Used to reconstruct charged particles and photons.
 - ✓ Acceptance: $5.5 < \theta < 20.0$ mrad on one side, up to 13mrad on the other.
 - ✓ Focus now is on readout, new tracking software, and engineering support structure.
 - Stand-alone simulations have demonstrated tracking resolution.
 - <u>https://indico.bnl.gov/event/17905/</u>
 - https://indico.bnl.gov/event/17622/



Design for two detectors is converging:

Si Tracker:

- 4 Layers of AC-LGAD → provide ~20um spatial resolution (with charge sharing) and 20-40ps timing resolution.
- Technology overlap w/ Roman pots
- EM Calorimeter:
 - 135 2x2x7*cm³ LYSO crystals
 - Good timing and position resolution
 - Technology overlap with ZDC



CAD Look credit: Jonathan Smith

* ZDC wants slightly longer crystals, ideally, we will use the same length in both detectors



Si Tracker:

- Resolution plots made by Alex Jentsch with standalone setup (more <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>)
- ACTS Tracking (a long-standing problem) was recently solved and is implemented in the simulation (see recent Sakib R <u>slides</u>), we expect more results soon

EM Calorimeter:

- Caveat studies performed with PbWO4 crystals, LYSO crystals still to be implemented in the simulation.
- General performance studies by Michael Pitt (more in <u>FF weekly meeting</u>)
- Sensitivity to soft photons (see Eden Mautner <u>talk</u> at the EICUG EC workshop early this week)





- 27cm spacing with fully AC-LGAD system and 5% radiation length may be the most-realistic option.
 - Reduced spacing (from 30cm) to make room for EMCAL.
- Needs to be looked at with proper field map and layout.
- Resolution impact on physics still being evaluated.

Note: momentum resolution (dp/p) is ~2-4%, depending on configuration.

B EMCal - Performance

- Acceptance $5.5 < \theta < 23$ mrad
- Very low material budget in $5 < \eta < 5.5$

Particles within 5.5 < θ < 15 mrad don't cross the beampipe

Photons:

- High acceptance in a broad energy range (> 100s MeV), including ~MeV de-excitation photons
- Energy resolution of 6-7%
- Position resolution of ~3 mm

Neutrons:

50% detection efficiency (λ is almost 1)



Where do the particles go past the BO?



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Where do the particles go past the BO?

Protons with ~35-50% momentum

w.r.t. steering magnets.

- Off-momentum protons \rightarrow smaller magnetic rigidity \rightarrow greater bending in dipole fields.
- Important for any measurement with nuclear breakup!

OMD

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protons with ~50-

60% momentum

w.r.t. steering

magnets.



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Roman Pots and OMD



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- "Potless" design concept with thin RF foils surrounding detector
- 500um, **pixilated AC-LGAD sensor**, with 30-40ps timing resolution
- Similar concept for the OMD, just different active area and shape.



More engineering work is currently underway to optimize the layout, support structure, cooling, and movement systems for inserting the detectors into the beamline.

Roman "Pots" @ the EIC



 $\sigma(z)$ is the Gaussian width of the beam, $\beta(z)$ is the RMS transverse beam size, ε is the beam emittance, and D is the momentum dispersion.

$$\sigma_{x,y} = \sqrt{\beta(z)_{x,y}\epsilon_{x,y} + \left(D_{x,y}\frac{\Delta p}{p}\right)^2}$$



DD4HEP Simulation

Low-pT cutoff determined by beam optics.

- \succ The safe distance is ~10 σ from the beam center.
- \succ 1 σ ~ 1mm

These optics choices change with energy, but can also be changed within a single energy to maximize either acceptance at the RP, or the luminosity.



<u>High Divergence</u>: smaller β^* at IP, but bigger $\beta(z = 30m) \rightarrow$ higher lumi., larger beam at RP

10⁴

10³

10²

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Digression: Machine Optics (IP6)

275 GeV DVCS Proton Acceptance







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Digression: Machine Optics (IP6)

angle [mrad] **275 GeV DVCS Proton Acceptance** 10⁴ 15 GeV on 50 GeV 25 x_y_image_RI 20 10³ DVCS - 20 GeV x 250 GeV - 10 fb⁻¹ 00965 scattering BMS : 15 8.024 15 GeV on 100 GeV 10² dơ/dltl pb/GeV ရွ **10** 15 GeV on 250 GeV oroton 100 50 150 200 Using the two configurations, we are able to measure the low-t HD HA 10^{2} region (with better acceptance) and Events high-t tail (with higher luminosity). gh / 10 **<u>High Acceptance:</u>** larger β^* at IP, smaller $\beta(z = 30m) \rightarrow$ lower lumi., smaller beam at RP 1.6 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.2 1.4 <u>ltl GeV²</u> 100 x coordinate [mm] DVCS proton P_[GeV/c
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Summary of Detector Performance



- All beam effects included!
 - Angular divergence.
 - Crossing angle.
 - Crab rotation/vertex smearing.

Beam effects the dominant source of momentum smearing!

Zero-Degree Calorimeter

Need a calorimeter which can accurately reconstruct neutral particles

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neutrons and photons Neutrons and photons react differently in materials – need both an EMCAL and an HCAL!



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photon

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neutron

photons

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ZDC

ZDC - What's New

- 1st Silicon & crystal calorimeter (PbWO4 or LYSO):
 - Smaller lateral dimension (x, y) = (56, 54) cm.

Overall length within 2m limit



- Pb-Scintillator (+ fused silica)
 - Towers of 10cm x 10cm x 48cm, each module 60cm x 60cm x 48cm
 - 3 modules

ZDC - Performance





- Energy resolution in the new design acceptable → Optimization, test of different ideas within the size limit.
- Next steps:
 - Implementation of reconstruction
 - Position resolution & shower development study ongoing for the imaging part of HCAL

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Some final comments (by request)

The importance of the B0 for the meson program

- Needed for measuring final states with θ > 5.5 mrad.
 - Especially important at medium and low hadron beam energies at the EIC.
- Important for incoherent vetoing in e+A (heavy nuclear) collisions.
 - Charged particles and photons.
- The B0 tracking system behaves like a normal spectrometer, so anything which decays with particles in its acceptance can be reconstructed just like in the forward tracking disks!

 $\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ decay

from u-channel production



The importance of the B0 for the meson program



- $\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ decay studied with eSTARLight 5x41 events (generated by Zach Sweger).
- Reconstruction performed with EicRoot.



 $\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ decay from u-channel production

Lambda Decay (p + π^{-})

- Boost causes the lambda to be able to decay 10s of meters from the IP.
 - Significant problem since reconstruction of this displaced secondary vertex within the hadron magnets is very challenging.



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ZDC & neutral particle exit

Want to have as large an incident angle with the beam pipe as possible.

This is the problem area \rightarrow shallow incident angle can increase effective material thickness by ~ factor of 10!!

This will reduce our detection efficiency beyond just the aperture limit! ➤ Updated design in-production. Neutrons E = 275 GeV $0 < \theta < 5$ mrad

Summary and Takeaways

- Far-Forward detectors uniquely challenging in realization of ePIC!
 - Integrated with beamline → crowded area, complicated constraints on rates, beam operations, etc.
 - Trying to cover broad phase space not covered by main detector → Crucial for physics program!
 - Need to identify areas of complementarity to hone needs for IP8!
- Technologies identified for the all subsystems, and (many) simulations have been carried out → engineering design underway for CD-2/3A
- Backgrounds have been studied \rightarrow more to do! (see information <u>here</u>)



Thank you!





They (mostly) get along.







She's in a death metal band.



Preliminaries

- The EIC physics program includes reconstruction of final states with very far-forward protons, from many different possible collision systems.
 - e+p scattering, e+d/e+He3/e+A (proton(s) from nuclear breakup).
 - Produces protons with a broad range in longitudinal momentum, which then traverse the full hadron-going lattice (dipoles and quads).
- Momentum reconstruction requires *transfer matrices* to describe particle motion through the magnets.

 M_3 M_1 M_2 $(x_{det.}, y_{det.})$ (x_{IP}, y_{IP}) $M_{transfer} = M_1 M_2 M_3 \dots$ x_{ip} $a_4 \ a_5$ $x_{det.}$ b_0 b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 b_5 $\theta_{x,ip}$ $\theta_{x,det.}$ Transforms coordinates at detectors (position, angle) to $y_{det.}$ original IP coordinates. $\theta_{y,det.}$ Matrix unique for different positions along the beam-axis! $e_1 \ e_2 \ e_3 \ e_4 \ e_5$ $z_{det.}$ $\Delta p/p$ 56

Preliminaries



From BMAD – central trajectory 275 GeV proton

• Matrix describes how particles travel through the magnets toward the detector.



The Problem



From BMAD – central trajectory 275 GeV proton

 Protons from nuclear breakup, or high-Q² e+p interactions → protons can have large deviations from central orbit momentum → <u>require unique matrices!</u>

Roman Pots Off-Momentum

Detectors

longitudinal momentum fraction $x_L = \frac{p_{z,proton}}{p_{z,beam}}$

Full GEANT4 simulation.

Protons E = 275 GeV $0 < \theta < 5$ mrad For a 275 GeV beam, a 270 GeV proton has an x_L of 0.98.

Results - Momentum

• Comparing "static" BMAD matrix (left) with dynamic matrix calculation (right).



Results - p_T

• Comparing "static" BMAD matrix (left) with dynamic matrix calculation (right).



Reconstruction

General methods for tracking:

- Matrix method (standard) → should always have access to this to check performance.
- Machine learning methods → more-general for broader set of final-state momenta.



 $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ \theta_x \\ y \\ \theta_y \end{pmatrix} \to (P_z)$





- Framework: PyTorch
- Architecture: Multi-Layer
 Perceptron
- 3 Independent Models:
- 5 Hidden Layers, 128 Neurons
- Loss Function: Huber Loss
- Optimizer: Adam
- Performance is excellent for P_z and shows little dependence on x_L
- P_t performance is good, but needs further optimization, and performance suffers at very low P_t

David Ruth & Sakib Rahman

Progress on RP reconstruction.



- Roman Pots are silicon sensors placed in a "pot", which is then injected into the beam pipe, tens of meters or more from the interaction point (IP).
 - Momentum reconstruction carried out using matrix transport of protons through magnetic lattice.

Roman "Pots" @ the EIC 25.6 cm CU 2.8



Technology

- 500um, pixilated AC-LGAD sensor provides both fine pixilation.
- "Potless" design concept with thin RF foils surrounding detector components.

Status

- ✓ Acceptance: $0.0^* < \theta < 5.0$ mrad (lower bound depends on optics).
- ✓ Detector directly in-vacuum a challenge for both detector and beam → impedance studies underway.
- Approved generic R&D to develop more-adaptive reconstruction code!

Off-Momentum Detectors



Off-momentum detectors implemented as horizontal "Roman Pots" style sensors.

Protons 123.75 < E < 151.25 GeV (45% < xL < 55%) 0 < θ < 5 mrad

Far-Backward Detectors

Measuring Luminosity



Tagging Electrons at Low-Q²

- Jaroslav Adam (Project Lead) jaroslav.adam@fjfi.cvut.cz
- Simon Gardner (Technical Lead) Simon.Gardner@Glasgow.ac.uk
- Two low-Q² tagger detectors along outgoing electron beam pipe
- Placed at about -20 m and -36 m from IP

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Slide from Jaroslav Adam (CTU)

Tagging Electrons at Low-Q²

- Photoproduction in $10^{-3} \lesssim Q^2 \lesssim 10^{-1} \text{ GeV}^2$
- Scattered electrons for meson spectroscopy and exclusive pair production
- Help for luminosity measurement by coincidence with pair spectrometer
- Large background and event rates due to Bethe-Heitler bremsstrahlung – illustrated by comparing to photoproduction cross section
- The background can be mitigated by good tracking and Q² reconstruction

Slide from Jaroslav Adam (CTU)



Tagging Electrons at Low-Q²

- Detectors outside beam vacuum
- Several considerations for exit window (material, thin mesh followed by 90° exit window)



Low-Q² Reconstruction

- Two different ML algorithms giving compatible results
- The algorithms connect reconstructed tracks to kinematics of original scattered electrons (energy and polar and azimuthal angle)
- Q² is obtained from electron energy and polar angle
- Plot shows combined reconstruction in low-Q² taggers and central detector



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Low-Q² Reconstruction

- Mixed hepmc of signal (quasi-real photoproduction) and background (Bethe-Heitler) events
- Event rates are obtained as a function of reconstructed Q²
- Background tracks reconstruct dominantly to very low Q²

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The Far-Forward Detectors collaboration

