



## CLAS12 at Jefferson Lab



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# Jefferson Lab



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# **Jefferson Lab**

CEBAF: Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility.

- \* Energy up to 11 GeV (Halls A, B, C), 12 GeV Hall D
- **\*** Energy spread  $\delta E/E_e \sim 10^{-4}$
- Electron polarisation up to ~80%, measured to 3%
- Beam size at target < 0.4 mm</p>





# JLab @ 12 GeV



High resolution( $\delta p/p = 10^{-4}$ ) spectrometers, very high luminosity, large installation experiments.



9 GeV tagged polarised photons, full acceptance



#### Hall B: CLAS12



#### Hall C



Two movable high momentum spectrometers, welldefined acceptance, very high luminosity.

Very large acceptance, high luminosity.



### **CLAS12** physics

- \* 3D and spin structure of the nucleon and nuclei: deep exclusive and semiinclusive reactions, meson electro-production for study of Generalised Parton Distributions (GPDs), Transverse Momentum-dependent Distributions (TMDs).
- \* Neutron magnetic moment.
- Neutron F<sub>2n</sub>: d/u ratio.



- Full range of Q<sup>2</sup>, from quasi-real photons to ~ 9 GeV<sup>2</sup>, for hadron spectroscopy: N\* electroexcitation, search for hybrid mesons, role of glue and generation of mass.
- \* Medium modifications: in-medium structure functions, colour transparency.

## Targets

Unpolarised:

- \* Liquid H<sub>2</sub> ~ 2017/18
- **\*** Liquid D<sub>2</sub> ~ 2019
- \* Gas D<sub>2</sub> (E12-06-113)

\* Nuclear targets ~ 2021 (E12-06-117)

- Transversely polarised
   frozen spin HD
- He Dilution Refrigeration:
   ~200 mK needed for P > 80 %.
- Target system being modified for electron beam.

\* Polarised <sup>7</sup>LiH and <sup>7</sup>LiD (E12-14-001) ~ 2022

- Longitudinally polarised frozen NH<sub>3</sub> and ND<sub>3</sub> ~ 2019/20
  - Dynamic Nuclear Polarisation (DNP) of target material, cooled to 1K in a He evaporation cryostat.
  - $P_{\text{proton}} > 80\%$ ,  $P_{\text{deuteron}}$  up to 50%.



~ 2021/22

## CLAS12

Design luminosity  $L \sim 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ 

Acceptance for charged particles:

- Central (CD),  $35^{\circ} < \theta < 125^{\circ}$
- Forward (FD),  $5^{o} < \theta < 35^{o}$

Acceptance for photons and electrons:

- **FT**, 2.5° < θ < 5°
- EC, 5° < θ < 35°

High luminosity & large acceptance: Concurrent measurement of exclusive, semi-inclusive, and inclusive processes



#### **Central Detector**

 Angular coverage: ~ 35 - 125 degrees polar, full azimuthal.
 A set of barrel detectors positioned around the target within the 5 T axial field of a superconducting solenoid magnet (Møller electron shield, field for tracking, field for polarised target):

- Vertex trackers (SVT and MVT)
- Time of flight system (CTOF)
- Neutron detector (CND)











#### Silicon Vertex Tracker (SVT)



Will measure momentum and determine vertex of charged particles.

Four radial regions, azimuthally segmented, two Si layers in each region.



Angular coverage θ	35°–125°
Angular coverage Φ	~2π
Spatial resolution	50-65 μm
Momentum resolution	~6%
θ resolution	10–20 mrad
φ resolution	~5 mrad

#### MicroMega Vertex Tracker (MVT)

- Improved track reconstruction in vicinity of target.
- Barrel tracker (18 cylindrical detectors in 6 layers, Ar + 10% C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub> gas), covers 35 - 125 deg, enhances polar angle resolution.
- Forward tracker (6 disk detectors, Ne + 10% C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>+10% CF<sub>4</sub> gas), covers 6 - 29 deg, improved vertex resolution by factor 3 - 10 compared to drift chambers.





#### **Central Time-of-Flight (CTOF)**

- Provides timing information for charged particle ID.
- Barrel of plastic scintillator paddles, double-sided PMT read-out via long focussing light-guides, 35 - 125 deg coverage, full azimuthal.

Design resolution: 65 ps.



PID:	
π/K Separation	3.3 $\sigma$ separation up to 0.64 GeV
K/p Separation	3.3 $\sigma$ separation up to 1.00 GeV
π/p Separation	$3.3\sigma$ separation up to $1.25~\text{GeV}$

#### **Central Neutron Detector (CND)**

- Identification of neutrons (0.2 1 GeV/c) on the basis of timing.
- \* Three-layer barrel of plastic scintillators (40 -120 deg), segmented azimuthally, PMT readout upstream through long light-guides, pairs coupled via u-turn light-guides downstream.
- Neutron detection efficiency ~ 10%.
- **\*** Momentum resolution ~ 4 12%.





#### **Forward Detector**

Angular coverage: ~ 2.5 / 5 - 35 degrees polar.
A set of detectors segmented into six sectors to fit within the regions of a superconducting toroidal magnet (peak field 3.58 T):

- Cherenkov Counters (HTCC, LTCC, RICH)
- Drift Chambers (DC)
- Time of flight system (FTOF)
- Calorimeters (PCAL/EC)
- Forward Tagger (FT)













#### **High Threshold Cherenkov Counter (HTCC)**

- Will provide fast trigger on scattered electrons, pion / electron discrimination.
- Multifocal mirror: 60 ellipsoidal composite mirrors, 8 PMTs in each sector.



PARAMETER	DESIGN VALUE
Working Gas	CO <sub>2</sub> @1atm, 25°C
Angular Coverage	ϑ= 5° – 35°; φ= 0° – 360°
Threshold	15 MeV/c (electrons)
Threshold	4.9 GeV/c (charged pions)
Rejection of pions at 2 GeV/c	~10 <sup>3</sup> (99.9% electron detection efficiency)
Rejection of pions at 4 GeV/c	~0.5x10 <sup>3</sup> (99.9% electron detection efficiency)

#### **Drift Chambers**

Momentum of charged particles.
Three regions (~2, ~3, ~4m from target), each with 6 sectors and 2 super-layers, hexagonal cells, 90%-10% argon-CO<sub>2</sub>.
Spacial resolution of each cell:

250 - 350 microns.

DC – Tracking Specifications		
PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	
Angular coverage	5° – 40° (50% φ-coverage at 5°)	
Momentum resolution	dp/p < 1%	
θ Resolution	1 mrad	
φ Resolution	1 mrad/sinθ	
Luminosity	10 <sup>35</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	





#### Low Threshold Cherenkov Counter (LTCC)

**\*** Kaon / pion discrimination: 3.5 - 9 GeV/c.

Six sectors of lightweight mirrors, light collecting Winston cones, PMTs, magnetic shields. Uses C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub> gas.





#### **Ring Imaging Cherenkov Counter (RICH)**

Will replace one sector of the LTCC, improve particle ID in 3 - 8 GeV/c momentum range.

\* Aerogel, multi-anode PMTs, mirrors.



DESIGN VALUE
3-8 GeV/c
Not less than 500
Not less than 100
5° to 25°

#### Forward Time-of-Flight

Timing information and particle ID.
 Six sectors of plastic scintillator paddles, PMT read-out at both ends of each paddle.

**\*** Coverage and resolution:

 $\theta: 5^{\circ} - 35^{\circ}, \phi: 50\% \ at \ 5^{\circ}, 85\% \ at \ 35^{\circ}$ Design resolution: 60 to 160 ps.



$$\theta: 35^{\circ} - 45^{\circ}, \phi: 85\% \ at \ 35^{\circ}, 90\% \ at \ 45^{\circ}$$

Design resolution: 140 to 165 ps.

PID:	
π/K Separation	$4\sigma$ separation up to 2.8 GeV
K/p Separation	$4\sigma$ separation up to 4.8 GeV
π/p Separation	$4\sigma$ separation up to 5.4 GeV

# Pre-shower and electromagnetic calorimeters (PCAL/EC)

- Identification of electrons, photons, neutral pions and neutrons.
- Sampling calorimeters, six modules ~7m from the target, 54 layer scintillator strip / lead sandwich, 3 orientations, light via fibres to PMTs.
- Total thickness: ~ 20.5 radiation lengths.
- \*  $\theta: 5^{\circ} 35^{\circ}, \phi: 50\% \ at \ 5^{\circ}, 85\% \ at \ 35^{\circ}$
- Light-yield: 11-12 photoelectrons (p.e.) / MeV (PCAL), 3-4 p.e. / MeV (EC).



EXPECTED PERFORMANCE	VALUE
Energy resolution	10%/VE
Position resolution	0.5 cm
Time resolution	500 ps

### **Forward Tagger**

- Extends electron / photon detection down to 2.5 degrees.
- PbWO electromagnetic calorimeter read out with APDs, provides trigger.
- Micromegas tracker, 2 double-layers
  - (~150 micron resolution).
- Hodoscope (2 layers of scintillator tiles, SiPM readout), separates electron and photons.



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Expected Performance	VALUE
Azimuthal angular coverage	2.5° to 4.5°
EM shower energy range	E <sub>max</sub> -E <sub>min</sub> = (0.5 - 8.0) GeV
Energy resolution	σ <sub>E</sub> /E ≤ 2%/√E(GeV) ⊕ 1%
Angular resolution	$\sigma_{\vartheta}/\vartheta \le 1.5$ %, $\sigma_{\varphi} \le 2^{\circ}$
Time resolution	≤300 ps

#### **Forward Detector: March 2017**



#### **Additional detectors: RTPC**

Radial Time Projection Chamber (BONuS): detection of low energy recoils to study almost-free neutrons. Proposal approved (E12-06-113).

ALERT: alternative detector to identify light ions up to <sup>4</sup>He, possible use in trigger.

Proposal deferred at the last JLab PAC (RP12-16-011C).



Require removal of SVT and barrel MVT.

Proton momenta: 70 - 250 MeV/c.

#### **Additional detectors: Large Angle Neutrons**

\* BAND: Backward Angle Neutron Detector (a scintillator half-ring).
 Lab scattering angle coverage: 160 - 170 deg.
 Neutron momenta: 250 - 600 MeV/c.
 Neutron efficiency ~ 30%.
 Proposal approved (E12-11-003A).





#### After JLab 12 GeV... the Electron-Ion Collider

- \* Two sites considered: JLab and Brookhaven National Lab
- \* Polarised *e* and light nuclei, unpolarised heavy nuclei
- ★ Centre of mass energy range: 20 140 GeV
- **\*** High luminosity (10<sup>33</sup> 10<sup>34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>)
- High resolution detectors







- \* Gluon contribution to nucleon spin
- \* Tomography of the quark-gluon sea
- Saturation of gluon density
- \* Colour charge propagation in the nuclear medium

Fast evolving physics case...

~ 2030s

#### Summary

**\*** CLAS12 will start taking data late this year.

\* Current experimental programme for ~ 10 years of operation.

\* Electron scattering experiments on nuclear targets: measurements relevant to neutrino-nucleus scattering can be made (eg: multiple proton knock-out, pion electroproduction...).

\* A series of experiments with low-momentum recoil detection are in the planning.

