



The Electron-Ion Collider Update

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The Electron-Ion Collider – The Next QCD Frontier

2018 NAS Report : An EIC can uniquely address three profound questions about nucleons—neutrons and protons—and how they are assembled to form the nuclei of atoms:

- How does the mass of the nucleon arise?
- How does the spin of the nucleon arise?
- What are the emergent properties of dense systems of gluons?



CD-0 December 2019; DOE EIC site (BNL) selection Jan 2020; CD-1 June 2021; EIC project detector selected in March 2022; ePIC collaboration formed in July 2022 & spokesperson (John Lajoie) and deputy spokesperson (Silvia Dalla Torre) elected Feb 2023; EIC Resource Review Board (RRB) meeting April 2023



The Electron-Ion Collider 2015 NSAC LRP

"We recommend a high-energy high-luminosity polarized EIC as the highest priority for new facility construction following the completion of FRIB."

Project Design Goals

- High Luminosity: L= 10³³–10³⁴cm⁻²sec⁻¹, 10–100 fb⁻¹/year
- Highly Polarized Beams: ~70%
- Large Center of Mass Energy Range: E_{cm} = 20–140 GeV
- Large Ion Species Range: protons Uranium
- Large Detector Acceptance and Good Background Conditions
- Accommodate a Second Interaction Region (IR)

Conceptual design scope and expected performance meet or exceed NSAC Long Range Plan (2015) and the EIC White Paper requirements endorsed by NAS (2018)



Double Ring Design Based on Existing RHIC Facility



1362 collaborators, 36 countries, 267 institutions



NSAC Long Range Plan (2023) expected to endorse EIC.

EIC Physics at-a-Glance

How are the sea quarks and gluons, and their spins, distributed in space and momentum inside the nucleon? How do the nucleon properties (mass & spin) emerge from their interactions?

How do color-charged quarks and gluons, and colorless jets, interact with a nuclear medium?

How do the confined hadronic states emerge from these quarks and gluons?

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How does a dense nuclear environment affect the quarks and gluons, their correlations, and their interactions?

What happens to the gluon density in nuclei? Does it saturate at high energy, giving rise too goonic matter with universal properties in all nuclei, even the proton?

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~ 1/k_T



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Dynamics of gluon

Aass ≈ 168×10-26



Higgs mechanism

~ 1% of proton mass



The incomplete nucleon: spin puzzle



Nucleon Spin: Precision with EIC

$$\frac{1}{2} = \left[\frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + L_Q\right] + \left[\Delta g + L_G\right]$$

 $\Delta\Sigma/2$ = Quark contribution to Proton Spin Δg = Gluon contribution to Proton Spin L_Q = Quark Orbital Ang. Mom

 L_G = Gluon Orbital Ang. Mom

Spin structure function g_1 needs to be measured over a large range in x- Q^2

Precision in $\Delta\Sigma$ and $\Delta g \rightarrow A$ clear idea about the magnitude of $L_Q+L_G = L$





A. Accardi *et al.*, EPJA **52**, 268 (2016)

2+1 D partonic image of the nucleon with the EIC

Spin-dependent 3D momentum space images from semi-inclusive scattering (SIDS)

Transverse Momentum Distributions

k_x(GeV)

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Spin-dependent 2D coordinate space (transverse) + 1D (longitudinal momentum) images from exclusive scattering

Transverse Position Distributions



k_x(GeV)

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Tomography of the nucleon



Proton Mass – Another Fascinating Story Higgs discovery almost irrelevant to proton mass



Proton Mass and Quantum Anomalous Energy

• Measuring quantum anomalous energy contribution in experiments is an important goal in the future accessed through heavy quarkonium threshold (J/psi & Upsilon) production





Y. Hatta et al., PRD 98 no. 7, 074003 (2018); Y. Hatta et al., 1906.00894 (2019) ¹⁸

Low x physics with nuclei



BNL/TJNAF Special Partnership



BNL/JLab partnership established in early 2020 Integrated management and scope Serve together as hosts for the EIC experimental program



EIC Detector Proposal Advisory Panel

A scientific-technical committee of renowned and independent experts to evaluate the proposals. Jointly appointed by BNL and JLab.

Patricia McBride, co-chair	FNAL		
Rolf Heuer, co-chair	CERN, Former CERN Director General		
Sergio Bertolucci	INFN Sezione di Bologna, Former CERN Research Dir.		
Daniela Bortoletto	Oxford Univ.		
Markus Diehl	DESY		
Ed Kinney	U. Colorado EIC DAC Chair		
Fabienne Kunne	Paris-Saclay		
Andy Lankford	UC Irvine		
Naohito Saito	KEK, Former J-PARC Director		
Brigitte Vachon	McGill Univ. EIC DAC Member		
Tom Ludlam, Scientific Secretary	BNL		

Three proto-collaborations submitted proposal: ATHENA, CORE and ECCE; The panel recommended ECCE as the reference design for the EIC project detector



Recommendations from DPAP

- "The panel unanimously recommends ECCE as Detector 1. The protocollaboration is urged to openly accept additional collaborators and quickly consolidate its design so that the Project Detector can advance to CD2/3a in a timely way."
- "The panel supports the case for a second EIC detector, however, given the current funding and available resources, the committee finds that a decision on Detector 2 should be delayed until the resources and schedule for the Project detector (Detector 1) are more fully realized."

Physics Performance; Detector Concept and Feasibility; Electronics, DAQ, Offline; Infrastructure, Magnet, and Machine Detector Interface; Management and Collaboration

Strength of Collaboration

"The three proto-collaborations are led by experienced, strong leadership teams. ATHENA and ECCE also have expert and experienced international collaborators, as demonstrated by the well-developed state of the proposed conceptual designs prepared in a relatively short period of time, and by the organization of the effort to produce these designs and of the proposals. This accomplishment is truly impressive."

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EIC General Purpose Detector: ePIC



Overall detector requirements:

- Large rapidity (-4 < h < 4) coverage; and far beyond in especially far-forward detector regions
- □ large acceptance 1.7 T(up-to 2 T) Solenoid
- High precision low mass tracking
 - small (m-vertex) and large radius (gaseousbased) tracking
- Electromagnetic and Hadronic Calorimetry
 - equal coverage of tracking and EMcalorimetry
- High performance PID to separate p, K, p on track level
 - also need good e/h separation for scattered electron
- Large acceptance for diffraction, tagging, neutrons from nuclear breakup: critical for physics program
 - Many ancillary detector integrated in the beam line: low-Q² tagger, Roman Pots, Zero-Degree Calorimeter,
- High control of systematics
 - luminosity monitor, electron & hadron Polarimetry

→ Integration into wider IR (+/- 40 m) critical





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DOE Project Plan

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EIC Schedule





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Cost Estimate Status (DOE)

CD-1 Approved Cost Range 1.7-2.8B

DOE total project cost estimate and overall project schedule provide the basis for the DOE funding profile.

\$150M IKC assumptions: \$50M accelerator \$100M detector (1/3)

10% on LOE activities 35% on balance



WBS		DE+IRA working chedule Jan-2023
6.01 - Project Management		184,214,124
6.02 - Accelerator Dev. & R&D		74,971,335
6.03 - Injector System		187,982,740
6.04 - Electron Storage Ring		180,590,034
6.05 - Hadron Ring		108,733,042
6.06 - Interaction Region & Detector Interface		167,463,407
6.07 - Accelerator Systems Support		218,809,284
6.08 - RF Systems		366,647,360
6.09 - Cryogenics		144,964,733
6.10 - Detector		225,873,364
6.11 - Infrastructure		251,542,932
6.12 - Pre-Operations		51,119,308
P6 Total (incl. escalation & overhead)		2,162,911,663
Approved Scope_Cost Changes to be Implemented in P6	\$	82,748,000
Less Excess Escalation for activies beyond CD-4 dates (estimated)		(58,003,992)
Less In Kind Contributions balance (not coded in P6)		(86,977,421)
Less Actual Costs (AC) thru Nov. 22		(69,781,005)
Total work to go		2,030,897,245
Contingency		627,598,742
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Actual Costs (AC) thru Nov-2022		69,781,005
Estimated Total Project Cost		2,728,276,992

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Current DOE Funding Plan



- DOE Inflation Reduction Act funding of \$138M allocated in September 2022. Actual FY2023 funding is \$70M. DOE request for FY2024 is \$98M.
- RHIC shut down planned for June 2025. Significant RHIC Operations funding will be redirected to EIC construction starting in FY2025 and reaching ~\$150M/year in FY2026.
- Current funding supports DOE CD-3A, Long Lead Procurement Approval, in January 2024. Long lead procurement items mitigate risks: technical, supply chain, inflation, schedule etc.



Complete RHIC Science Mission in 2015 NSAC LRP and onto the EIC Construction

"There are two central goals of measurements planned at RHIC, as it completes its scientific mission, and at the LHC: (1) Probe the inner workings of QGP by resolving its properties at shorter and shorter length scales. The complementarity of the two facilities is essential to this goal, as is a state-of-the-art jet detector at RHIC, called sPHENIX. (2) Map the phase diagram of QCD with experiments planned at RHIC." (completed data taking in 2021)

- sPHENIX will use energetic probes (jets, heavy quarks) to study quark-gluon plasma with unprecedented precision
 - How the structureless "perfect" fluid emerges from the underlying interactions of quarks and gluons at high temperature
- sPHENIX magnet and its hadron calorimeter could be part of the EIC project detector







RHIC data taking scheduled for 2023–2025 sPHENIX upgrade and STAR with forward upgrade will fully utilize the enhanced (~50 times Au+Au design) luminosity of RHIC



Thank you for your time and attention!



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