Indian Participation in ePIC at EIC



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Structure of the proton





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Proton Mass Issue





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Proton Spin Issue





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Quark and gluon internal motion

Need multidimensional imaging of the proton structure

Electron Ion Collider (EIC) @ Brookhaven National Laboratory, USA



Electron Ion Collider (EIC)

EIC:

- A new, innovative, large-scale particle accelerator facility planned for construction at Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL), New York, USA.
- Highest priority project appeared in the 2015 & 2023 US Nuclear Physics Long Range Plan.
- Favorably endorsed by a committee established by the National Academy of Sciences (US) in 2018.
- Granted Critical Decision Zero (CD0) [2019] by the US Department of Energy (DOE) – marked as the official project of the US government.

US-NSAC Long Range Plan, 2015 US-NSAC Long Range Plan, 2023 EIC Yellow Report



Only new collider in foreseeable future – will remain at frontier of accelerator S&T



EIC Project Design Goals

- High Luminosity: L= 10³³ 10³⁴cm⁻²sec⁻¹, 10 – 100 fb⁻¹/year
- Highly Polarized Beams: 70%
 requires high precision polarimetry
- Large Center of Mass Energy Range: E_{cm} = 29 – 140 GeV
 -- large detector acceptance
- Large Ion Species Range: proton-Uranium
 requires forward detectors integrated in beam lattice
- Good Background Conditions
- Accommodate a Second Interaction Region (IR) -- IR-8



- 1st high-luminosity e-p collider
- 1st polarized target collider
- 1st electron-nucleus collider





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Effect of dense nuclear environment; gluon saturation

- How does a dense nuclear environment affect the dynamics of quarks and gluons, their correlations and interactions?
- Does the gluon density in nuclei saturate at high energy, giving rise to a gluonic matter or phase with universal properties in all nuclei, even in the proton?





Methodology



s: Center-of-mass energy squared for DIS system

Q²: Square of the momentum transfer between the electron and proton; inversely proportional to the resolution

- *y*: inelasticity $(0 \le y \le 1)$
- **x**: the fraction of the nucleon's momentum carried by the struck quark (0<x<1)
- **W**: Center-of-mass energy for photon-nucleon system

Variables x, Q^2 , s are related through the equation:

$$Q^2 = s \cdot x \cdot y$$



Kinematic Range





Neutral-current inclusive DIS \leftarrow Inclusive DIS \leftarrow





- Essential to detect the scattered electron, e', with high precision.
- All other final state particles (X) are ignored.
- The scattered electron is crucial for all processes to determine the event kinematics.

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Semi-inclusive DIS

$e + p/A \longrightarrow e' + h^{\pm,0} + X$



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e e'	Requires	$e + p/A \longrightarrow e' + p'/A$	$\lambda' + \gamma/h^{\pm,0}/VM$
$p \rightarrow 0$	measurement of at least one identified hadron in coincidence with the scattered electron.	Requires the measurement of all particles in the event with high precision.	e p p p p' p'

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Gluon Saturation @ EIC





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Dihadron Correlations:





Measure: Azimuthal correlation between two hadrons produced in lepton-nucleus DIS Sensitive to: p_T -dependence of gluon distribution and their correlations Expectation: Disappearance of back-to-back correlations with increasing A (in dense gluonic matter)



E. Sichtermann, NPA 956, 233 (2016)

Away side peak is suppressed in dense gluonic matter: Melting of back-toback correlation with increasing A

Demonstrates: Discrimination power of these measurements!





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EIC Detector Requirements

□ Vertex detector: Identify primary and secondary vertices

- o Low material budget: $0.05\% X/X_0$ per layer
- o High spatial resolution: 20 μm pitch CMOS Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor

□ Central and Endcap tracker: High precision low mass tracking

• MAPS – tracking layers in combination with micro pattern gas detectors

Particle identification: High performance single track PID for π , K, p separation

- RICH detectors (RICH, DIRC)
- Time-of-Flight high resolution timing detectors (HRPPDs, LGAD)
- Novel photon sensors: MCP-PMT / HRPPD



Electromagnetic Calorimetry: Measure photons (E, angle), identify electrons

- PbWO₄ Crystals (backward), W/ScFi (forward)
- Barrel Imaging Calorimeter (Si + Pb/ScFi)
- \Box Hadron Calorimetry: Measure charged hadrons, neutrons and K_L^0
 - Achieve $\sim 70\% / \sqrt{E} + 10\%$ for low E hadrons (~ 20 GeV)
 - Fe/Sc sandwich with longitudinal segmentation

Very forward and backward detectors: Large acceptance for diffraction, tagging, neutrons from nuclear breakup

- Silicon tracking layers in lepton and hadron beam vacuum
- Zero-degree high resolution electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters

DAQ & Readout Electronics: *Trigger-less/ streaming DAQ, integrate AI/ML into DAQ*



The Detector: electron Proton Ion Collider

EIC detector requirements push the technology limit!



Tracking:

- New 1.7T solenoid
- Si MAPS Tracker
- MPGDs (µRWELL/µMegas)

PID:

- hpDIRC
- pfRICH
- dRICH
- AC-LGAD (~30ps TOF)

Calorimetry:

- Imaging *Barrel* EMCal
- PbWO₄ EMCal in *backward* direction
- Finely segmented EMCal + HCal in *forward* direction
- Outer HCal (sPHENIX re-use)
- Backwards HCal (tail-catcher)

MAPS: Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor MPGD: Micropattern Gaseous Detector LGAD: Low Gain Avalanche Detector hpDIRC: High-performance Detection of Internally Reflected Cherenkov pfRICH: Proximity Focussed Ring Imaging Cherenkov Detector dRICH: Dual-Radiator Ring Imaging Cherenkov Detector



Activities within India



First discussion: Workshop on High Energy Physics Phenomenology (WHEPP), WHEPP-XIV, Dec. 4-13, 2015, **IIT Kanpur**, India Half-day dedicated session on EIC: Heavy-ion and QCD (WG-IV)

Conference: *QCD with Electron-Ion Collider* (*QEIC*), Jan. 4-7, 2020, **IIT Bombay**, India One-to-one interaction and planning (US-Indian groups) -- *QEIC is now regular event!*

QCD with Electron-Ion Collider (QEIC)II, Dec. 18-20, 2022, IIT Delhi, India

International Workshop on Probing Hadron Structure at the Electron-Ion Collider (QEIC) III, Feb. 5-9, 2024, ICTS Bangalore, India

EIC-India Collaboration: Biweekly meeting; Mailing list: eic_india@googlegroups.com









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Efforts from the Indian theory groups towards EIC-Science

S. No.	Institutions	Primary Research Area
1	Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh	 Generalized Parton Distributions (CDDs) and
2	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bombay	Nucleon Spin
3	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kanpur	Transverse Momentum
4	Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Berhampur	Dependents (TMDs)
5	National Institute of Science Education and Research (NISER), Jatni	 Color Glass Condensate (CGC) and Gluon Saturations
6	National Institute of Technology (NIT), Kurukshetra	Small_r physics
7	National Institute of Technology (NIT), Jalandhar	- Small-x physics
8	Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai	 Jets in EIC
9	The Institute of Mathematical Sciences (IMSc), Chennai	 Precision eP physics
10	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Vellore	 Hadron spectroscopy in lattice

Webpage: <u>https://sites.google.com/view/eic-india-theory/home</u>



- ATHENA-EOI preparation, review and submission
- ATHENA-logo design competition
- Various Surveys related to EIC.
- Contributed in EIC software (benchmarking, etc.)

Important Responsibilities (from India) within EIC collaboration:

- International Representative for Steering Committee
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee
- Elections and Nominating Committee
- Integration Committee (ATHENA)
- Bye laws and Charter Committee
- ePIC Membership Committee
- ePIC Publication Committee

(ATHENA: A Totally Hermetic Electron-Nucleus Apparatus)

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J. Adam *et al* 2022 *JINST* **17** P10019

In 2022, ATHENA and EIC Collider Experiment (ECCE) collaborations resulted to a new collaboration: ePIC (Electron Proton Ion Collider)



Contributions: Simulations



S.No.	Task-Name	Collaboration	Study-performed
1	Geant4 Simulations based on sPHENIX solenoid	sPHENIX	Momentum resolution for pion and electron tracks with and w/o truth vertex constraint
2	Fun4All Simulation	ATHENA	Energy resolution and parameterization of energy- resolution using pions and electrons for different calorimeters
3	MC-data validation	ATHENA	Study of global properties of hadronic final states in DIS events using different event generators ; Compare simulations output with existing HERA data
4	ESCALATE	ATHENA	Software tool to work full simulation of EIC
5	EIC-Smear	ATHENA	Study smearing effect for exclusive physics with EIC
6	Contribution to DAQ group	ATHENA	Calculate photon rates of Synchrotron Radiation (SR) on various detectors; results included in ATHENA white paper
7	Vertexing @ ePIC	ePIC	Evaluate the existing Vertexing algorithm and check its performance
8	dRICH @ ePIC	ePIC	PID performance studies for dRICH@ePIC
9	TOF Simulation	ePIC	Angular resolution of reconstructed tracks



Possible Hardware Contribution

S.No.	Possible Project	Measurement	Remarks
1	Dual Radiator Ring Imaging Cherenkov (dRICH)	Particle Identification	Use Aerogel + SiPM
2	Forward Electromagnetic Calorimeter (F-ECal)	Energy Measurements	Use W-powder / Scintillating Fiber (WScFi) and SIPMs
3	Time-of-Flight (TOF)	Particle Identification	Use AC-LGAD
4	Data Acquisition (DAQ)	Streaming Readout	Data reduction using ML techniques on FPGA



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Possible DAQ software contribution: Evaluate timing synchronization feasibility amongst various subsystems and incorporating streaming readout in simulations

In addition: interested in R&D of SiPMs



ATHIC Institutions in EIC

S.No.	Asian- Country	Institutions	Detector Hardware Interests
1	China	 Central China Normal University (CCNU) Fudan University Shandong University (SDU) South China Normal University (SCNU) Tsinghua University THU) University of Science and Technology of China (USTC) 	 Forward EmCal (fECal) RICH/sMRPC LGAD
2	Japan	 Hiroshima University Kobe University Nara Woman's University Nihon University Riken Nishina Center Shinshu University The University of Tokyo Tsukuba University of Technology University of Tsukuba Yamagata University 	 AC-LGAD-TOF Streaming DAQ/Computing ZDC

Green color: Common interest with EIC-India



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3	Korea	 Gangneung-Wonju National University Hanyang University Inha University Korea University Kyungpook National University Pusan National University Sejong University Sungkyunkwan University University of Seoul Yonsei University 	 Barrel Imaging Calorimeter (BIC) ZDC Further interests: MPGD endcap tracker LGAD
4	Taiwan	 Academia Sinica National Taiwan University National Central University Chung Yuan Christian University National Tsing Hua University National Yang-Ming Chiao-Tung University National Cheng Kung University 	AC-LGAD-TOFZDC

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Mega Science Vision – 2035 (Nuclear Physics) Document : A Roadmap Prepared by the Indian Nuclear Physics Community

The document is released by the Principal Scientific Advisor of Govt. of India in December-2023.

MEGA SCIENCE VISION - 2035 NUCLEAR PHYSICS

A ROADMAP PREPARED BY THE INDIAN NUCLEAR Physics community





- EIC is mentioned as one of the important Mega Science Project in Indian context.
- Favourable environment for getting funding for EIC





Ongoing: Writing of Detailed Project Report (DPR) to be submitted to Indian funding agency

Indian participation in the electron-Proton/Ion-Collider (ePIC) collaboration at the Electron Ion Collider (EIC) facility, Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL), USA

Detailed Project Report

- 1. Project Title: Indian participation in the ePIC collaboration at the EIC, BNL
- 2. Duration (Normal duration of such projects is 5 years): 3 years
- 3. Total cost (in Rupees): 25 Cr
- 4. Foreign Exchange (FE) Component:
- 5. Proposal Category: Physical Sciences
- 6. Project Coordinator (PC) details: Prof. Bedangadas Mohanty
- 7. Co-Principal Investigator/s* details:

8. Keywords: Heavy Ion-Collisions, Hadronic Structure, Quantum Chromo-Dynamics, Particle Identification detectors, Tracking detectors

9. Introduction

9.1 Origin of the proposal:

Many secrets about the building blocks of matter have been already revealed through different world-class facilities like RHIC@BNL, LHC@CERN, and many other particle physics experiments. In 2012 LHC experiments discovered the Higgs boson, which is required to understand mass generation through the Higgs mechanism. However, one still needs to understand how the building blocks of matter, quarks, and gluons, add up to make proton mass and the origin of the spin of the proton. Major objectives of Nuclear Science which are not yet understood by the existing experiments are the following:

10.4 Review of expertise available with proposed investigating group/institution in the subject of the project (Lokesh)

The table below shows the expertise available with the member institutions:

SI.	Name of the	Available expertise	Remarks
1	NISER-Bhubaneswar, Jatni	RPC detector, MPGDs, PID, Silicon Trackers, simulation, analysis	Worked in STAR, ALICE, CMS, CBM and INO experiments and experienced in gas detectors, and silicon detectors.
2	IISER-Berhampur, Berhampur	Simulation, physics analysis	Worked in STAR data analysis
3	IISER-Tirupati, Tirupati	Simulation, physics analysis	Worked in STAR data analysis
4	IIT-Patna, Patna	Simulation, Physics analysis	Worked in STAR and WASA experiments
5	Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi	DCS and DAQ	Worked in INO experiment and experienced in developing DAQ and DCS.
6	IIT-Bombay, Mumbai	Simulation, physics analysis	Worked in STAR and ALICE experiments
7	Goa University IIT-Mandi, Mandi		Worked in ALICE
8	IIT-Indore, Indore	Simulation, physics analysis	Worked in ALICE experiment
9	Benaras Hindu University, Varanasi		
10	IIT-Madras, Chennai	Simulation, analysis	Worked in STAR analysis and simulation



Summary

EIC is a QCD laboratory for Collider discovery science ePIC is a new Collaboration formed in 2022 – extraordinary progress Thank you since then ON Consolidation and Optimization of detector layout – almost mature & Electron Acknowledgement: use innovative technologies ePIC-India Collaboration Indian side: Good contribution in simulations; Detector hardware project finalization; DPR writing for funding!



Back-up

Detector Requirements





Central Region: Tracking Detectors



MPGD Layers:

- Provide timing and pattern recognition redundancy
- Cylindrical barrel µMEGAs
- Planar End cap µRWells+single GEM before hpDIRC
- Impact point and direction for ring seeding

MAPS Tracker:

- Ultra thin bent silicon around beampipe
- Small pixels (20 µm), low power consumption (<20 mW/cm²) and material budget (0.05% to 0.55% X/X0) per layer
- Based on ALICE ITS-3 development
- Vertex layers optimized for beam pipe bakeout and ITS-3 sensor size
- Barrel layers based on EIC LAS development
- Forward and backwards disks

AC-LGAD based TOF (BECal):

 Additional space point for pattern recognition / redundancy.

MAPS: Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor MPGD: Micro Pattern Gaseous Detector LGAD: Low Gain Avalanche Detector



Central Region: PID Detectors



Proximity Focused RICH (pfRICH)

- Long Proximity gap (~40 cm)
- Sensors: HRPPDs (also provides timing)
- π/K separation up to 10 GeV/c
- e/π separation up to 2.5 GeV/c





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Central Region: Calorimetry





ePIC Streaming DAQ

- Triggerless streaming architecture gives much more flexibility to do physics
- Integrate AI/ML as close as possible to subdetectors \rightarrow cognizant Detector



Indian groups interested to contribute

- No external trigger
- All collision data digitized but aggressively zero suppressed at FEB
- Low / zero deadtime
- Event selection can be based upon full data from all detectors (in real time, or later)
- Collision data flow is independent and unidirectional-> no global latency requirements
- Avoiding hardware trigger avoids complex custom hardware and firmware
- Data volume is reduced as much as possible at each stage



EIC Project Schedule





Beam Energies, Parameters

Species	p	е	p	е	p	е	p	е	p	е
Beam energy [GeV]	275	18	275	10	100	10	100	5	41	5
\sqrt{s} [GeV]	14	0.7	10	4.9	63	63.2 44.7		28.6		
No. of bunches	2	90	11	.60	1160		1160		1160	
		High divergence configuration								
RMS $\Delta \theta$, h/v [μ rad]	150/150	202/187	119/119	211/152	220/220	145/105	206/206	160/160	220/380	101/129
RMS $\Delta p/p$ [10 ⁻⁴]	6.8	10.9	6.8	5.8	9.7	5.8	9.7	6.8	10.3	6.8
Luminosity $[10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}]$	1.	54	10	.00	4.	48	3.68		0.44	
				High acce	eptance con	figuration				
RMS $\Delta \theta$, h/v [μ rad]	65/65	89/82	65/65	116/84	180/180	118/86	180/180	140/140	220/380	101/129
RMS $\Delta p/p$ [10 ⁻⁴]	6.8	10.9	6.8	5.8	9.7	5.8	9.7	6.8	10.3	6.8
Luminosity $[10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}]$ 0.32 3.14		14	3.14 2.92		92	0.	44			

Table 10.1: Beam parameters for e+p collisions for the available center-of-mass energies \sqrt{s} with strong hadron cooling. Luminosities and beam effects depend on the configuration. Values for high divergence and high acceptance configurations are shown.

Species	Au	е	Au	е	Au	е	Au	е
Beam energy [GeV]	110	18	110	10	110	5	41	5
\sqrt{s} [GeV]	89.0		66.3		46.9		28.6	
No. of bunches	29	0	11	60	11	1160 1160		
				Strong hadron cooling				
RMS $\Delta \theta$, h/v [μ rad]	218/379	101/37	216/274	102/92	215/275	102/185	275/377	81/136
RMS $\Delta p/p$ [10 ⁻⁴]	6.2	10.9	6.2	5.8	6.2	6.8	10	6.8
Luminosity $[10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}]$	0.5	59	4.76		4.	77	1.67	
				Stochasti	ic cooling			
RMS $\Delta \theta$, h/v [μ rad]	77/380	109/38	136/376	161/116	108/380	127/144	174/302	77/77
RMS $\Delta p/p$ [10 ⁻⁴]	10	10.9	10	5.8	10	6.8	13	6.8
Luminosity $[10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}]$	0.14		2.06		1.27		0.31	

Table 10.2: Beam parameters for *e*+Au collisions for the available center-of-mass energies \sqrt{s} . Luminosities and beam effects depend on the cooling technique. Values for strong hadronic and stochastic cooling are shown.