

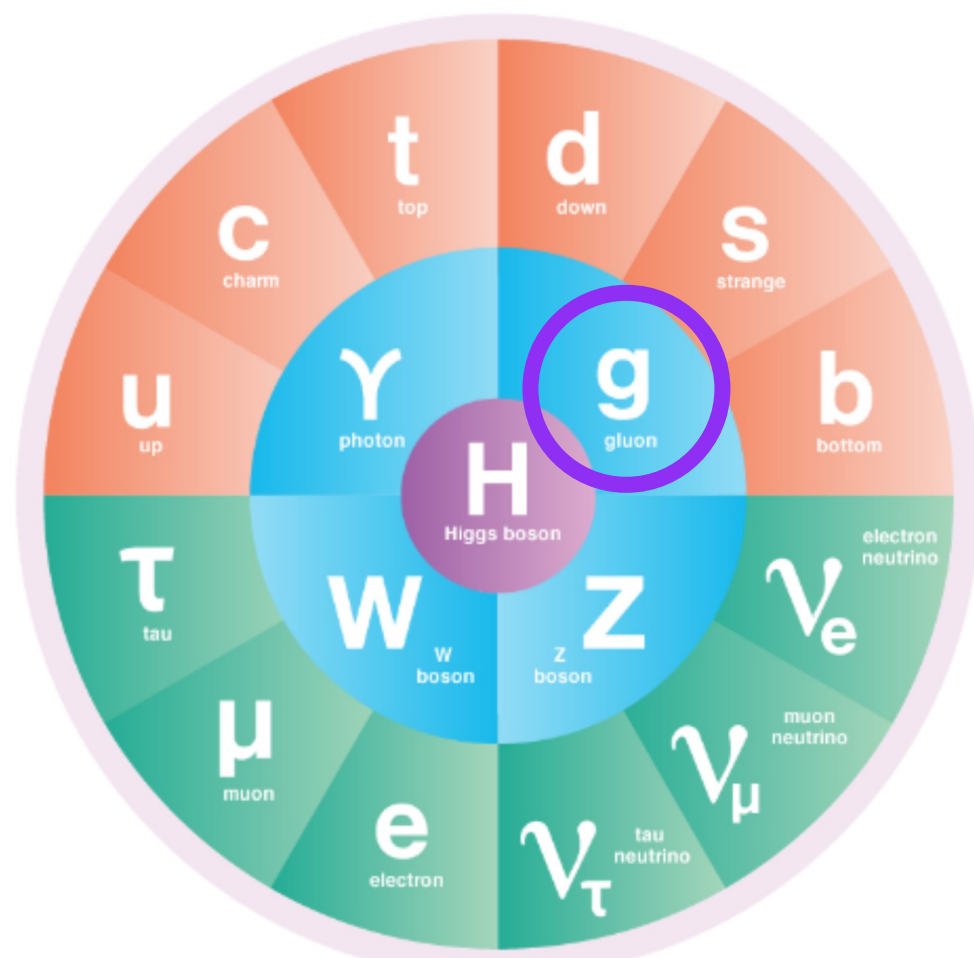


Science and Opportunities at the Electron Ion Collider

APCTP Workshop on EIC
Incheon, Seoul, Korea
November 2, 2022



Standard Model of Physics: Many



<https://www.energy.gov/science/doe-explains-the-standard-model-particle-physics>

● QUARKS
 ● LEPTONS
 ● BOSONS
 ● HIGGS BOSON

- SM of Physics would not have been possible without **complementary** measurements of: p-p, p-pbar, e-e, and e-p scattering
- The quest of understanding nature (SM: **precision** QCD+EW and Beyond SM physics) will continue with **complementary probes**:
- The **Electron Ion Collider** & **LHC** – detector and luminosity upgrades in near future
- Other future e-p, e-e and h-h
- Discussions regarding EIC and LHC being operated concurrently are being pursued in the long range planning in the US, Europe & Asia
 - Snowmass 2021, NuPECC and others

Emergent dynamics in QCD & its significance

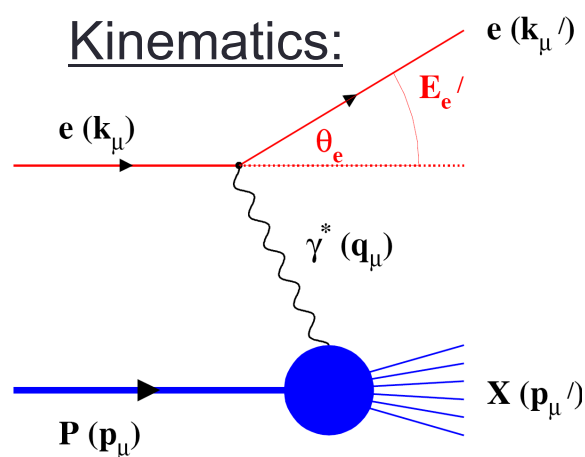
Properties of hadrons are **emergent phenomena** resulting not only from the equation of motion but are also inextricably tied to the properties of the QCD vacuum. (Striking examples besides confinement are spontaneous symmetry breaking and anomalies).

→ ALL DEPEND ON **NON-LINEAR DYNAMICS: GLUON SELF-INTERACTIONS**

Without gluons, there would be no nucleons, no atomic nuclei... **no visible world!** → **Massless gluons** & almost massless quarks, through their interactions, generate most of the **mass (and spin)** of the nucleons and hence **the entire visible world**

How? Experimental insight and guidance needed

Deep Inelastic Scattering: Precision and control



High lumi & acceptance

Exclusive DIS

detect & identify everything $e+p/A \rightarrow e'+h(\pi,K,p,jet)+\dots$

Semi-inclusive events:

$e+p/A \rightarrow e'+h(\pi,K,p,jet)+X$

detect the scattered lepton in coincidence with identified hadrons/jets

Inclusive events:

$e+p/A \rightarrow e'+X$

Low lumi & acceptance

detect only the scattered lepton in the detector

$$Q^2 = -q^2 = -(k_\mu - k'_\mu)^2 \quad \text{Measure of resolution power}$$

$$Q^2 = 2E_e E'_e (1 - \cos \Theta_{e'})$$

$$y = \frac{pq}{pk} = 1 - \frac{E'_e}{E_e} \cos^2 \left(\frac{\Theta'_{e'}}{2} \right) \quad \text{Measure of inelasticity}$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2pq} = \frac{Q^2}{sy} \quad \text{Measure of momentum fraction of struck quark}$$

Hadron :

$$z = \frac{E_h}{\nu}; p_t \quad \text{with respect to } \gamma^*$$

$$s = 4 E_h E_e$$



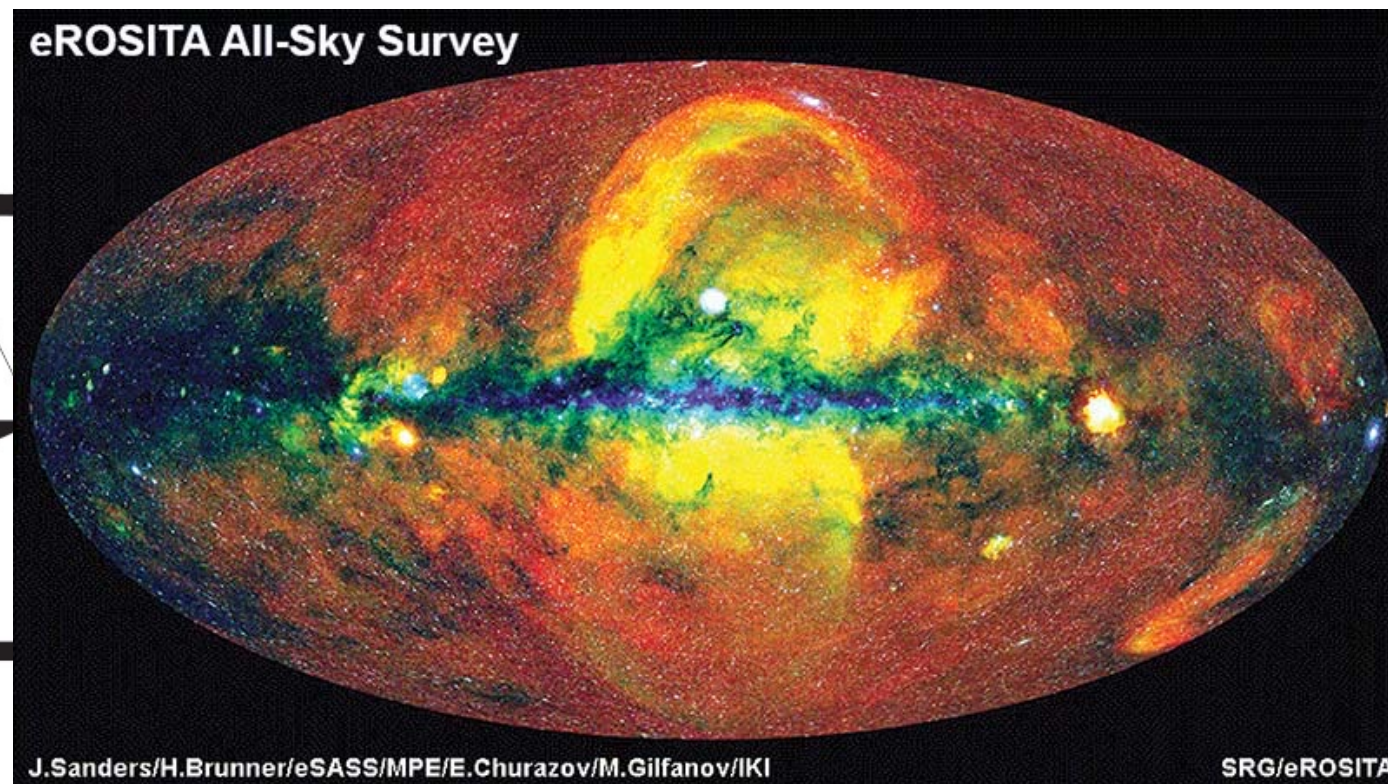
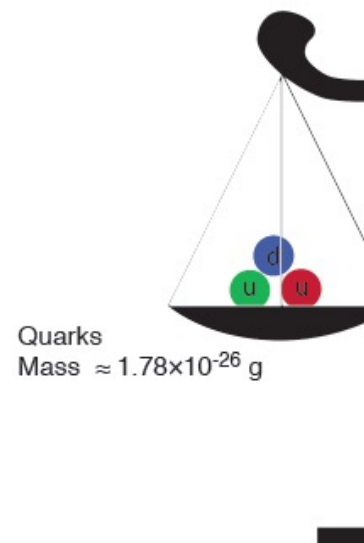
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Nobel 2013 With
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“Higgs Boson” that gives
mass to quarks, electrons,....

Proton mass puzzle



Add the masses of the quarks (HIGGS mechanism) together 1.78×10^{-26} grams

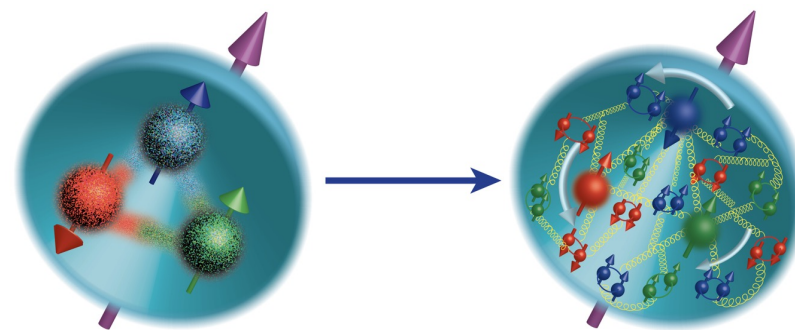
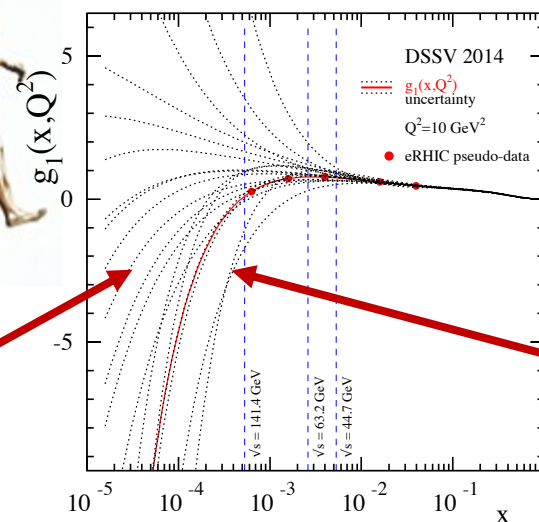
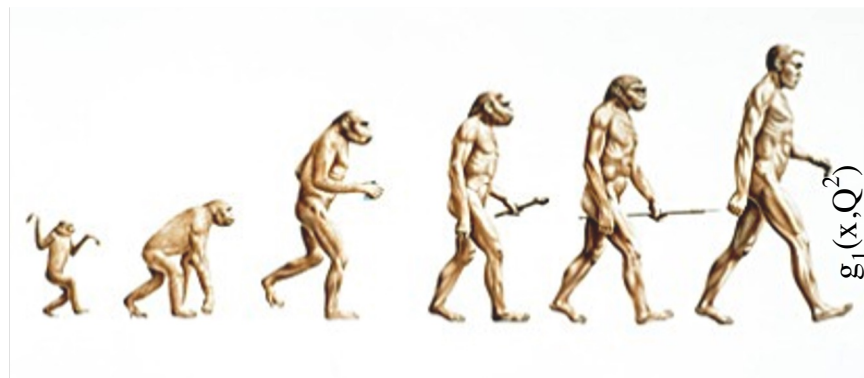
But the proton's mass is 168×10^{-26} grams

→ only 1% of the mass of the protons (neutrons) → Hence the Universe

→ Where does the rest of the mass come from?

Proton Spin “Crisis” → Spin Puzzle

Discovered by EMC experiment at CERN
Series of experiments since then around the world: BNL, CERN, DESY, SLAC:
30+ years

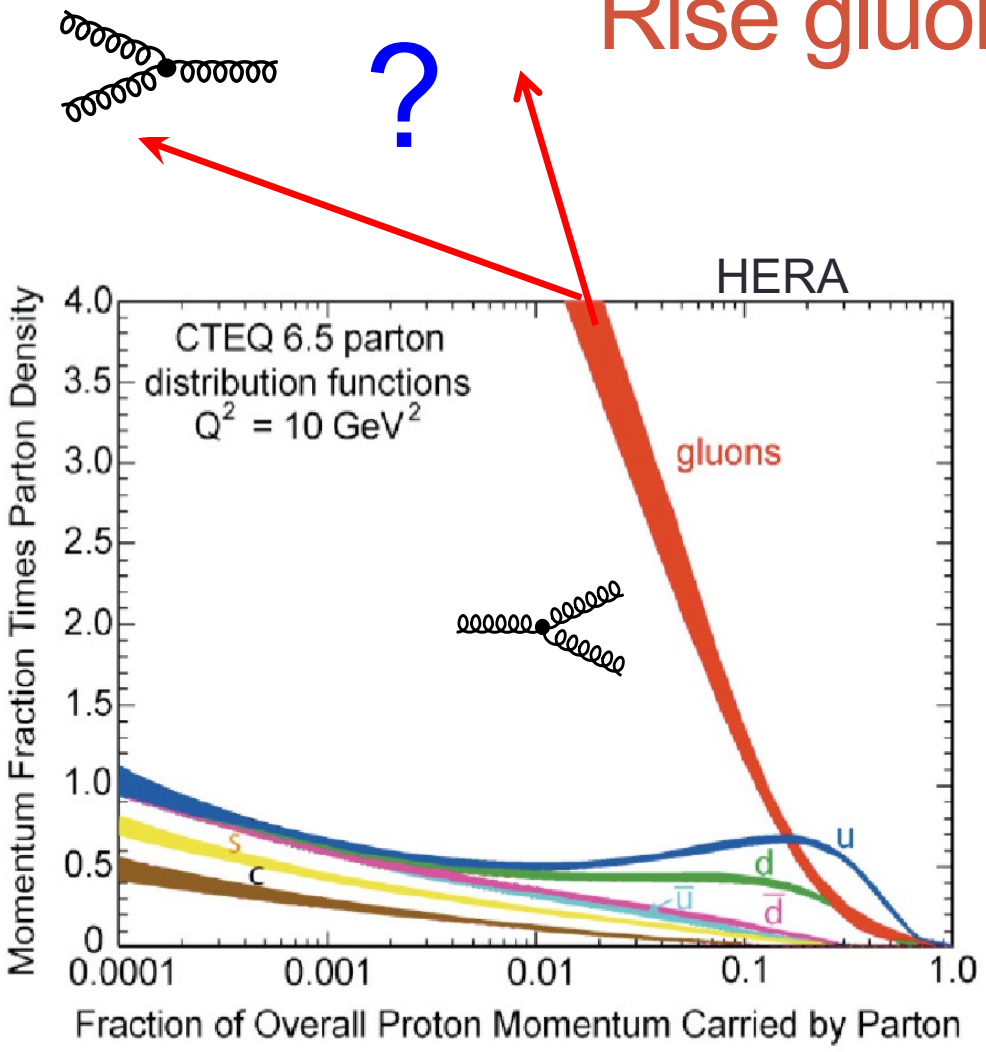


$$\frac{1}{2} = [Q_{\text{spin}} + Q_{\text{ang.mom.}}] + [G_{\text{spin}} + G_{\text{ang.mom.}}]$$

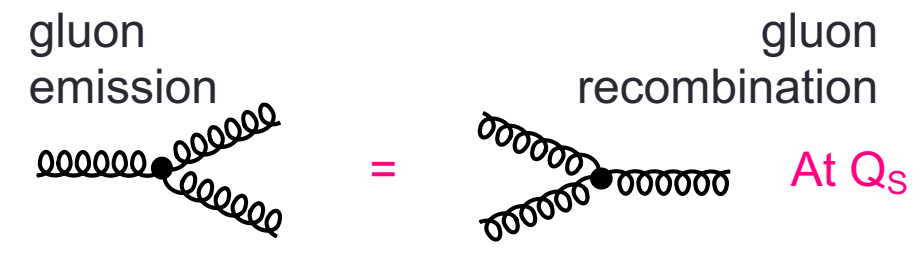
? ?

Transverse motion and finite size of the proton must create the orbital motion
Measure via Transverse Momentum (TMDs) and Position Distribution (GPDs)

Rise gluon distribution: A novel state of matter?



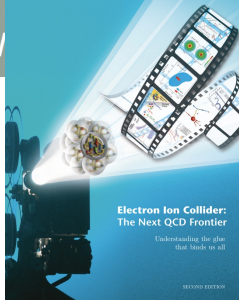
What could tame the low-x rise?
Can EIC access this region?
QCD inherently has the needed mechanism for this taming but we don't know when it gets triggered.



Observation of gluon recombination effects
→ Is there such new state of matter?
→ “Color Glass Condensate”

→ 50-100 times higher energy density than the core of the neutron star

Experimental evidence needed

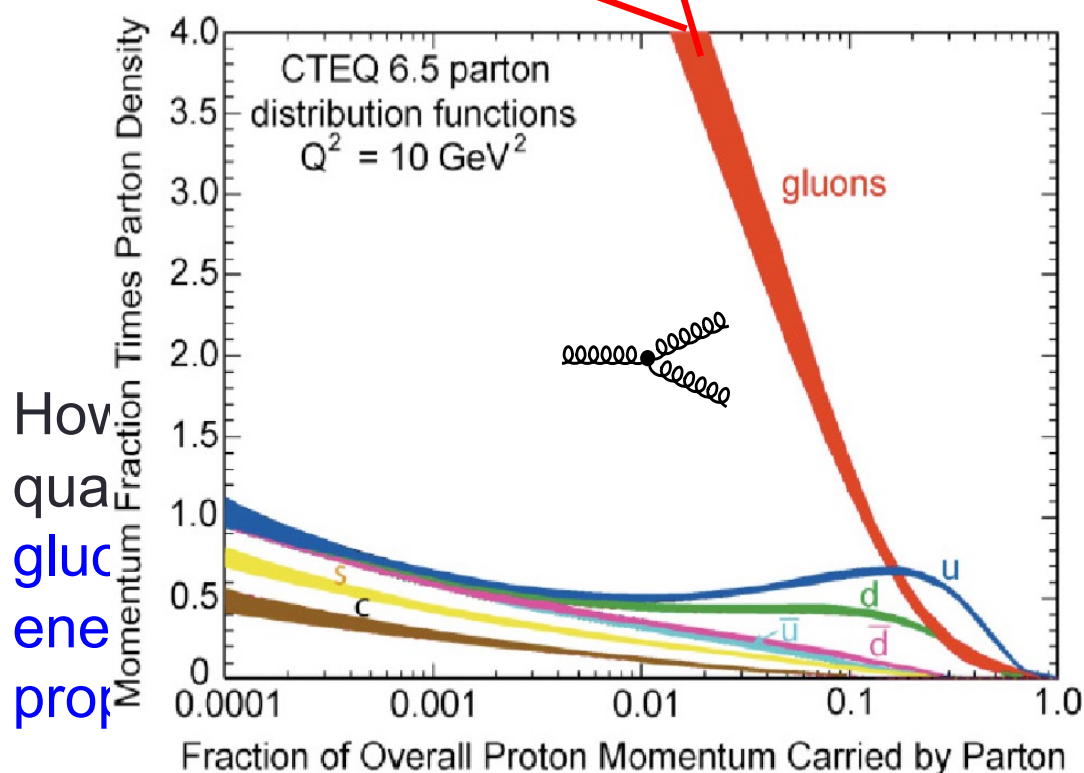
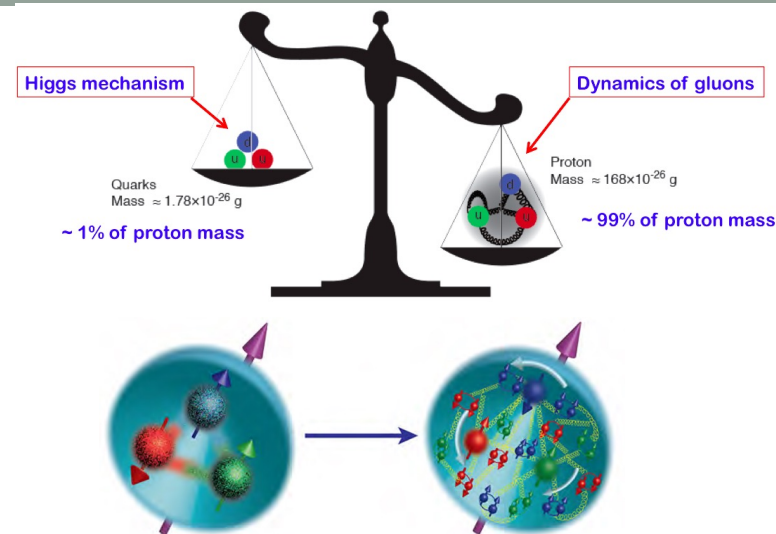


EIC Physics at-a-Glance

Eur. Phys. J. A 52 (2016) 9, 268 arXiv:1212.1701 (nucl-ex)

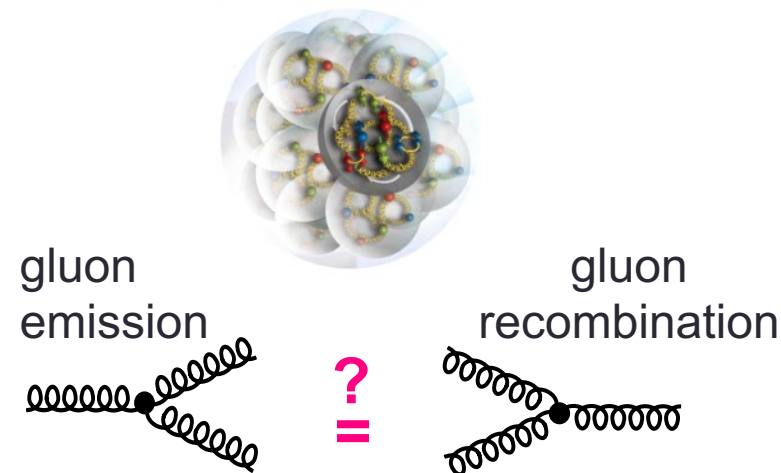
How are the sea quarks and gluons, and their spins, **distributed in space and momentum** inside the nucleon? How do the **nucleon properties (mass & spin) emerge** from their interactions?

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How do color-charged quarks and gluons, and colorless jets, **emerge from these quarks and gluons**? How do the **confined hadronic interactions create nuclear binding**?

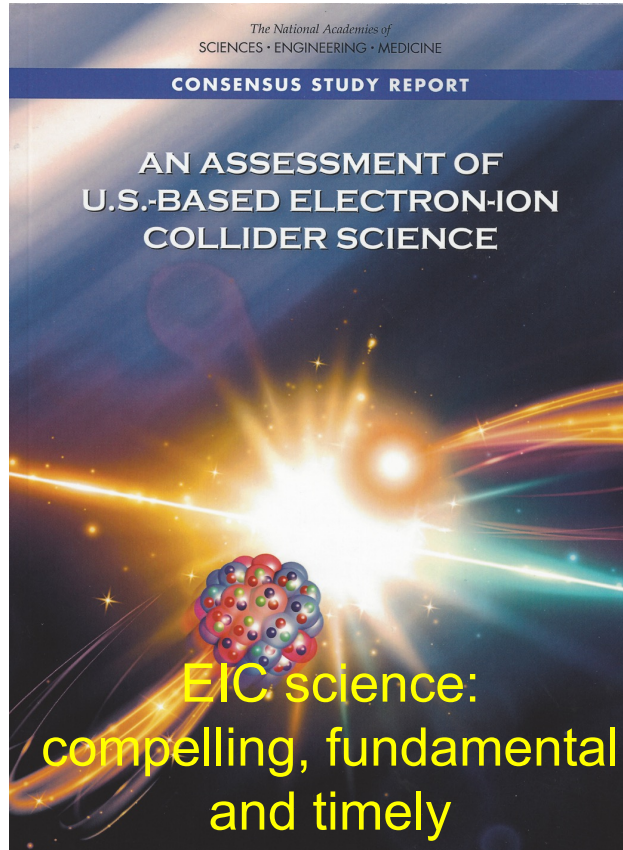
How does the effect of the gluon opens to the at high energy universal





National Academy of Science, Engineering and Medicine

Assessment July 2018

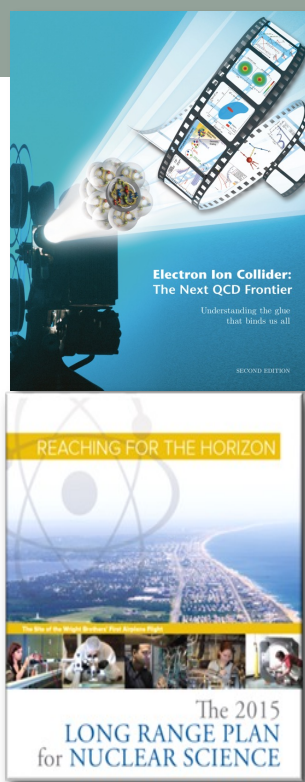


Physics of EIC

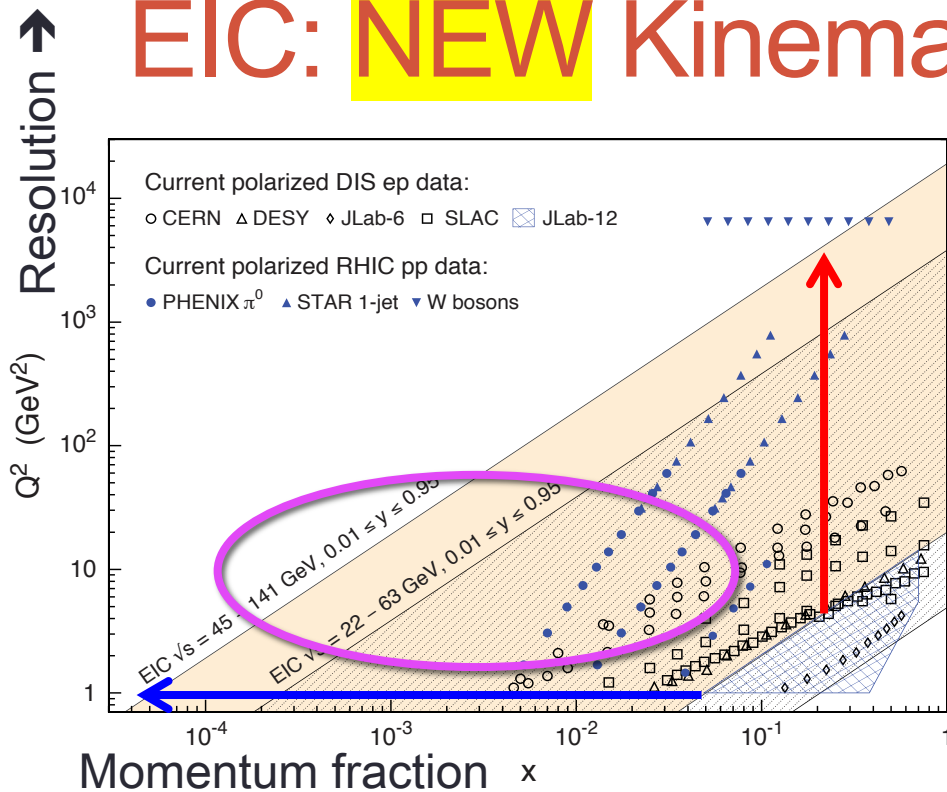
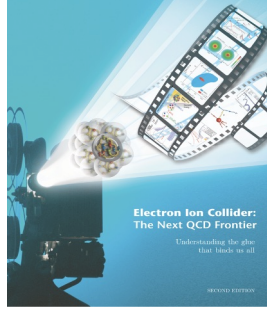
- Emergence of Spin
- Emergence of Mass
- Physics of high-density gluon fields

Machine Design Parameters:

- High luminosity: 10^{33} - $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$
 - a factor ~100-1000 times HERA
- Broad range in center-of-mass energy: ~20-140 GeV
- Polarized beams e-, p, and light ion beams with flexible spin patterns/orientation
- Broad range in hadron species: protons.... Uranium
- Up to two detectors well-integrated detector(s) into the machine lattice



EIC: **NEW** Kinematic reach & properties

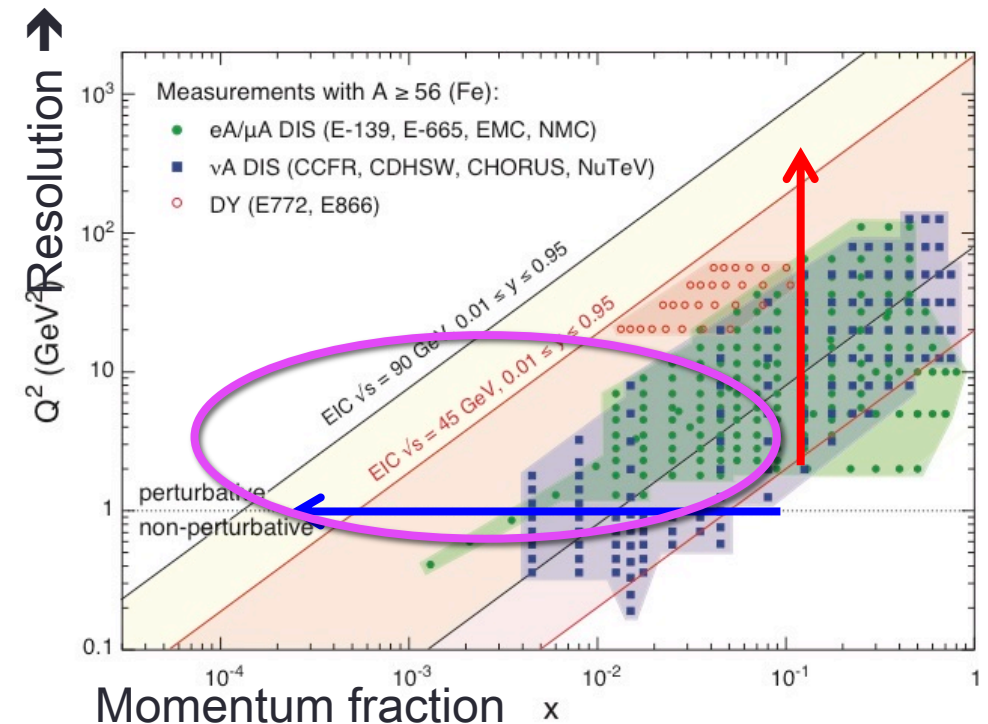


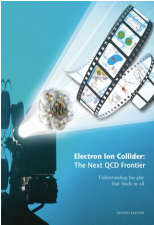
For e-N collisions at the EIC:

- ✓ Polarized beams: e, p, d/³He
- ✓ Variable center of mass energy
- ✓ **Wide Q^2 range \rightarrow evolution**
- ✓ **Wide x range \rightarrow spanning valence to low- x physics**

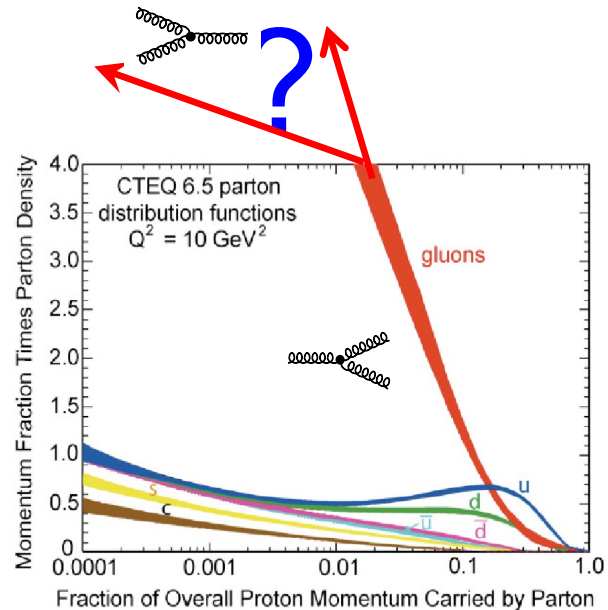
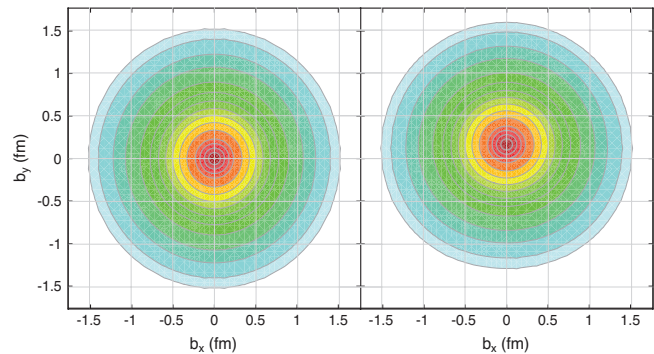
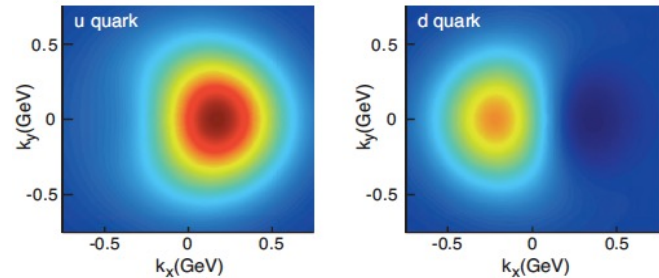
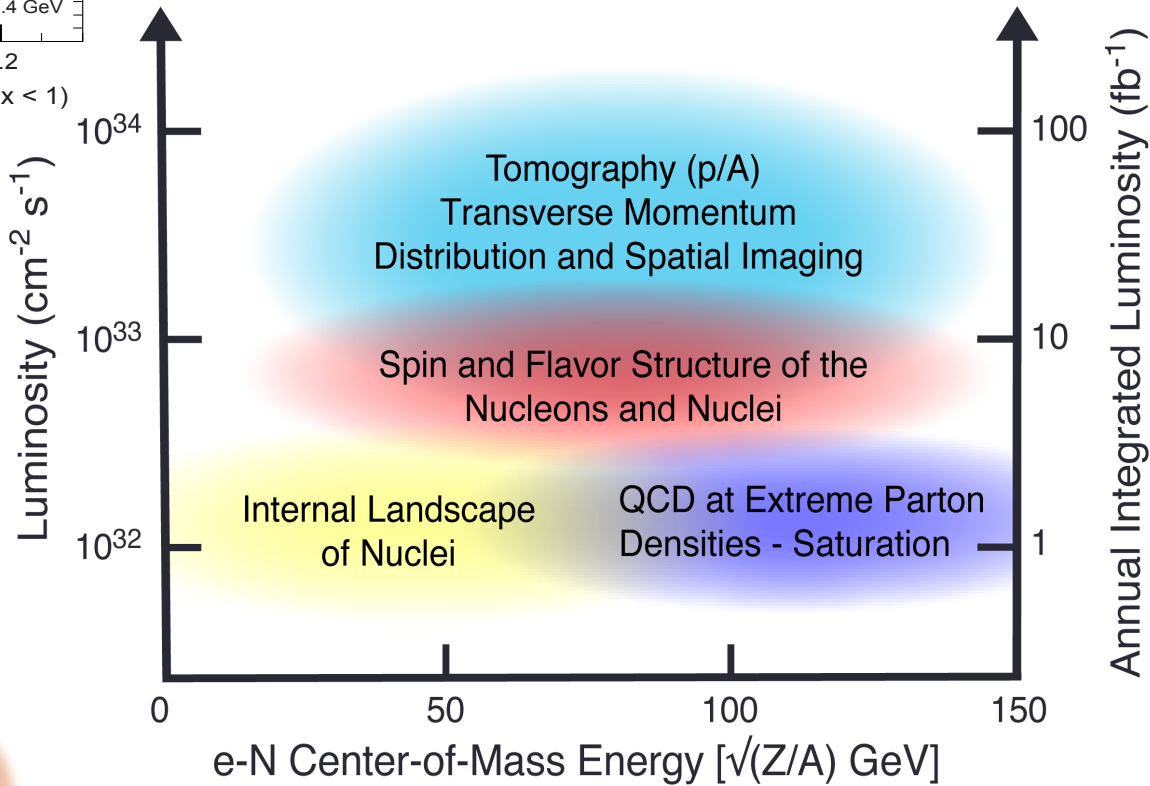
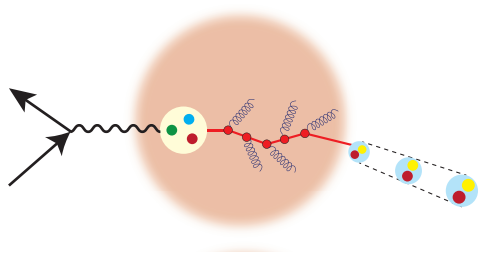
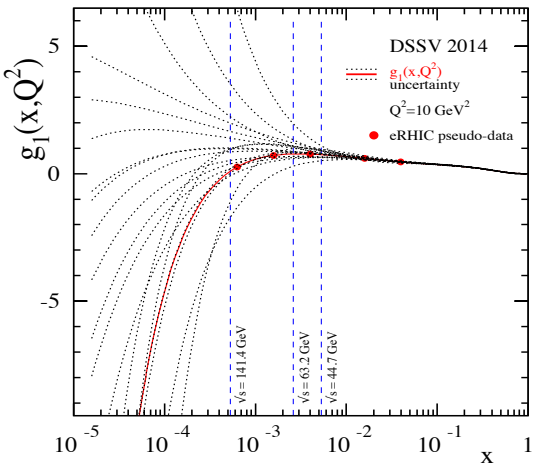
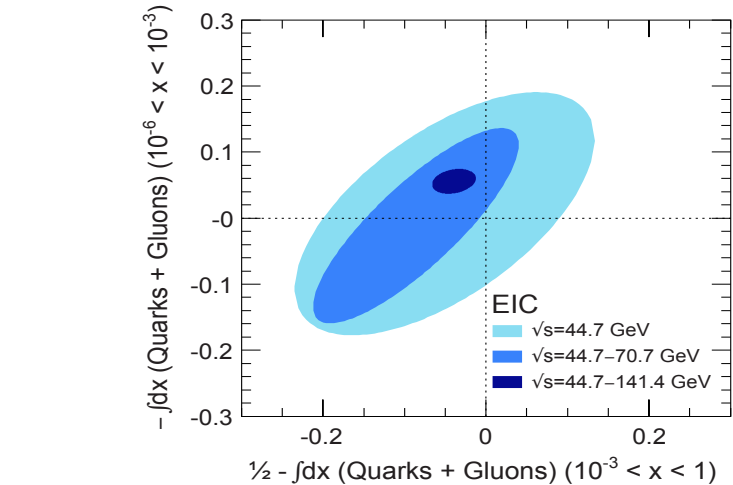
For e-A collisions at the EIC:

- ✓ Wide range in nuclei
- ✓ Luminosity per nucleon same as e-p
- ✓ Variable center of mass energy
- ✓ **Wide x range (evolution)**
- ✓ **Wide x region (reach high gluon densities)**

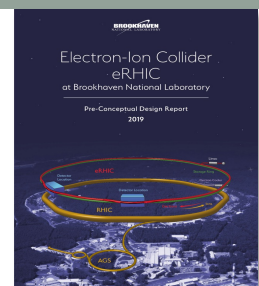




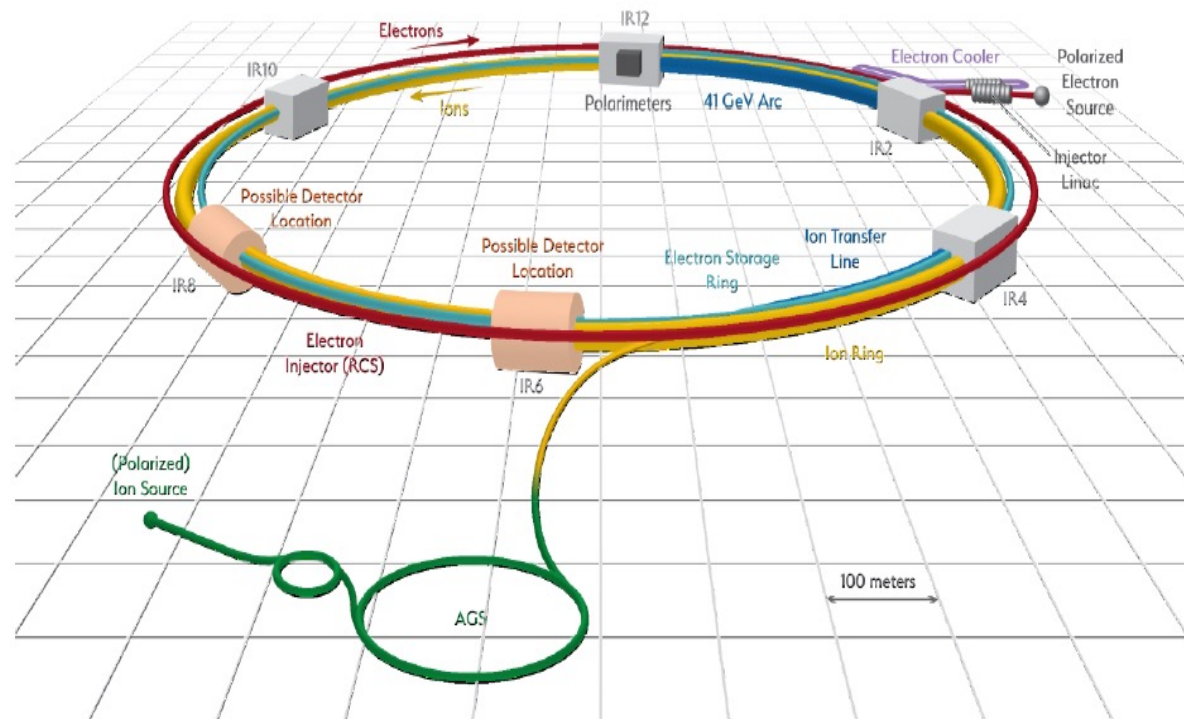
EIC science highlights



MACHINE & DETECTOR COLLABORATION



The US Electron Ion Collider



- ❖ Electron storage ring with frequent injection of fresh polarized electron bunches
- ❖ Hadron storage ring with strong cooling or frequent injection of hadron bunches

Hadrons up to 275 GeV

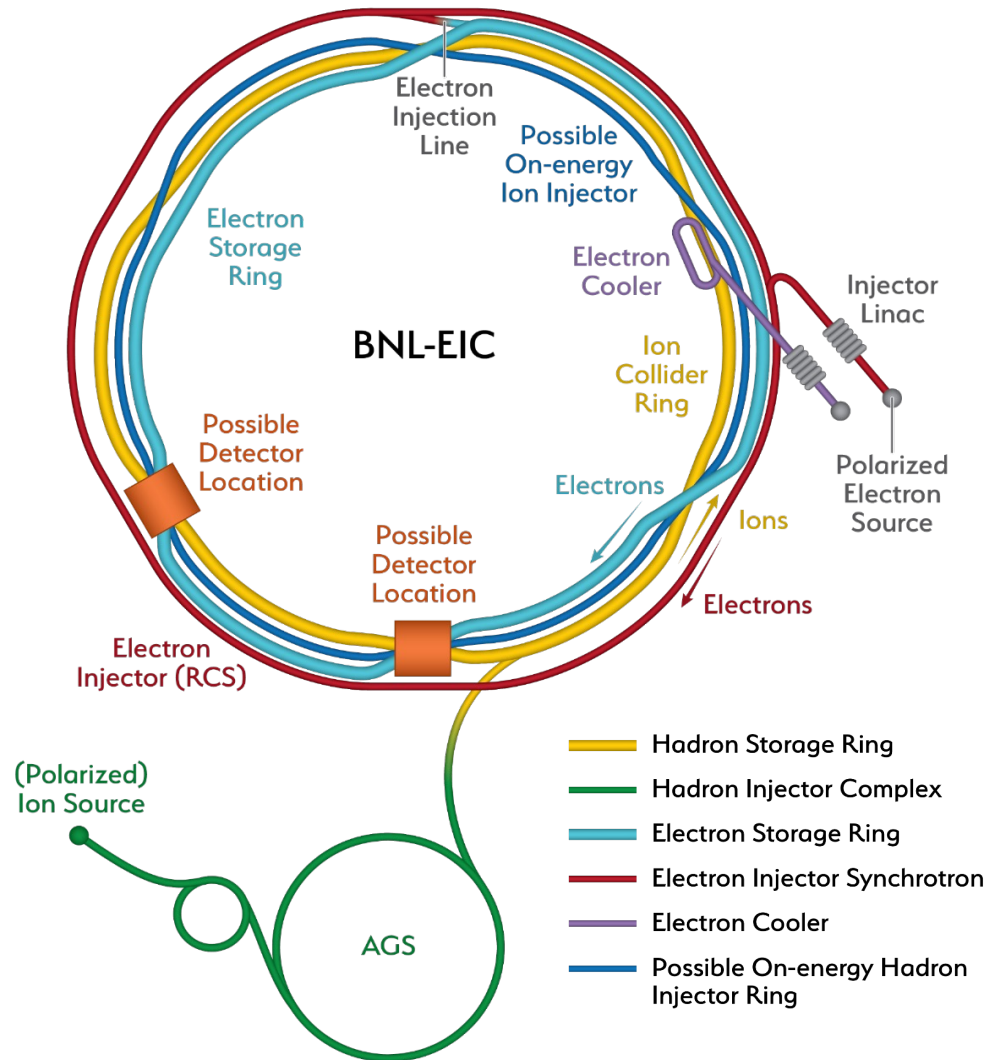
- Existing RHIC complex: Storage (Yellow), injectors (source, booster, AGS)
- Need few modifications
- RHIC beam parameters fairly close to those required for EIC@BNL

Electrons up to 18 GeV

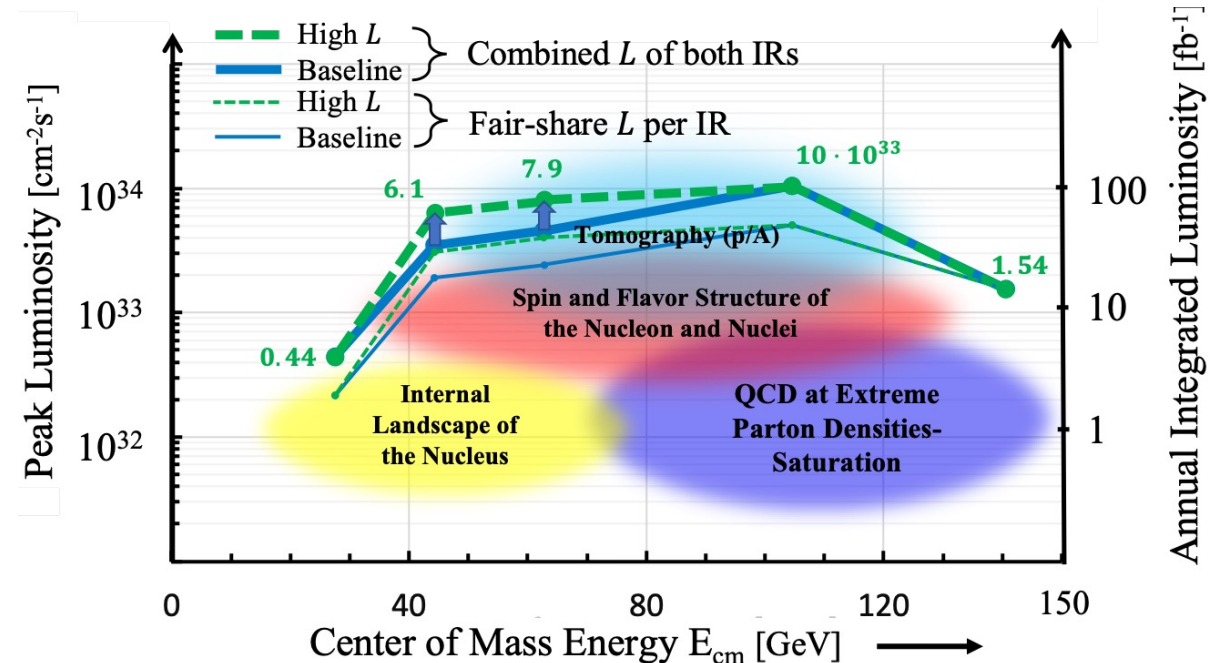
- Storage ring, provides the range $\sqrt{s} = 20\text{--}140$ GeV. Beam current limited by RF power of 10 MW
- Electron beam with variable spin pattern (s) accelerated in on-energy, spin transparent injector (Rapid-Cycling-Synchrotron) with 1-2 Hz cycle frequency
- Polarized e-source and a 400 MeV s-band injector LINAC in the existing tunnel

Design optimized to reach $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$

EIC Accelerator Design

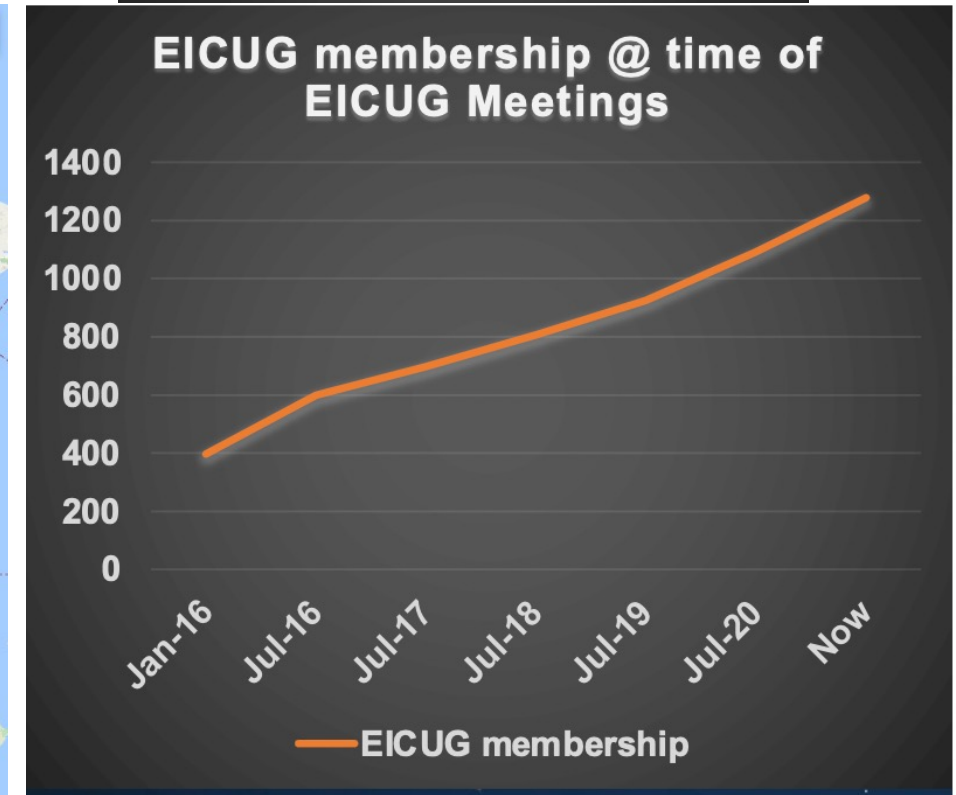
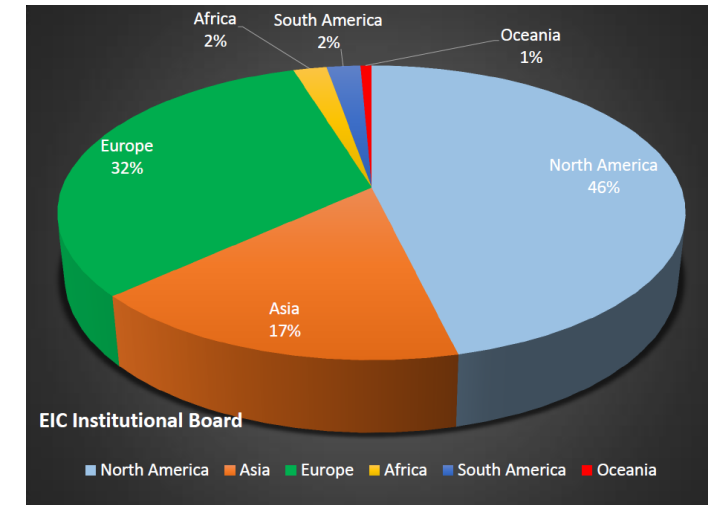


Center of Mass Energies:	20GeV - 140GeV
Luminosity:	$10^{33} - 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ / $10\text{-}100\text{fb}^{-1}$ / year
Highly Polarized Beams:	70%
Large Ion Species Range:	p to U
Number of Interaction Regions:	Up to 2!

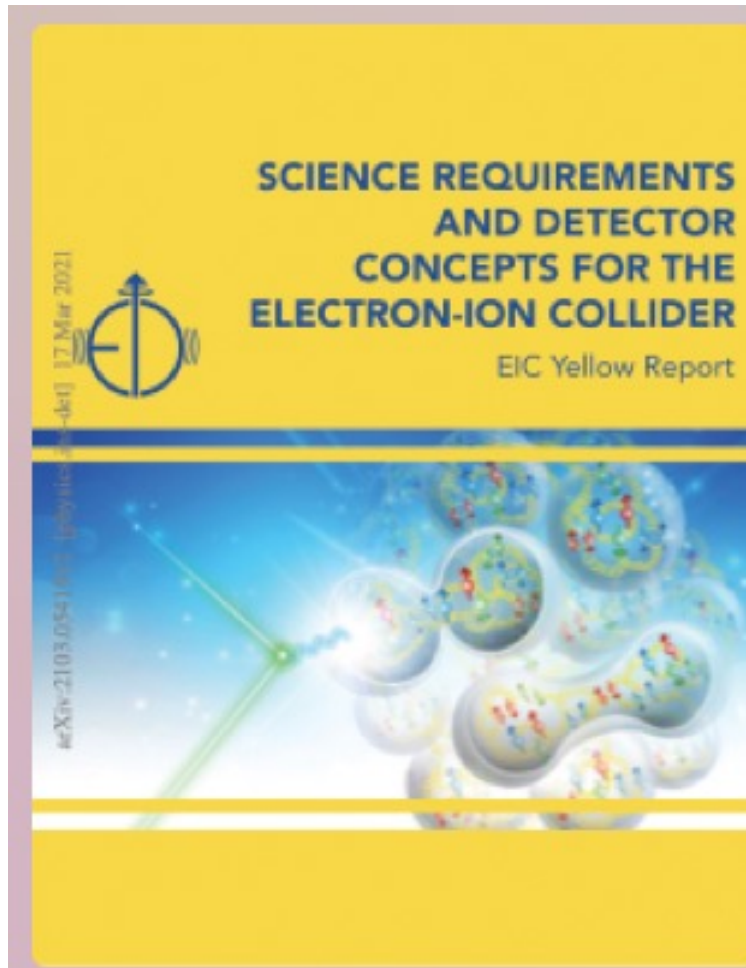


The Global EIC Users Group: EICUG.ORG

Formally established in 2016, now we have:
~1350 Ph.D. Members from ~36 countries, 266 institutions
EICUG is continuously growing
with world-wide participation

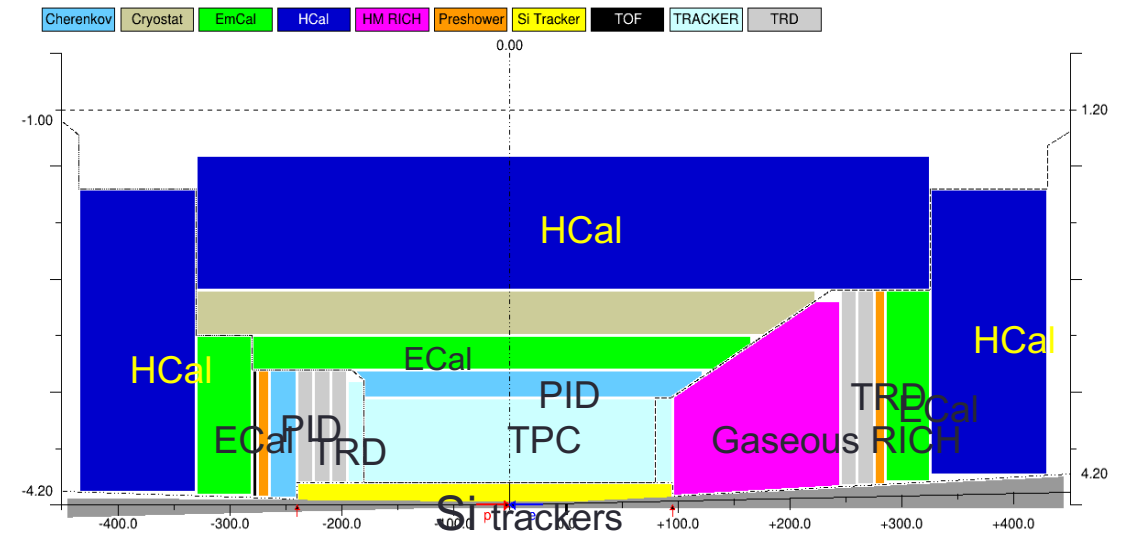
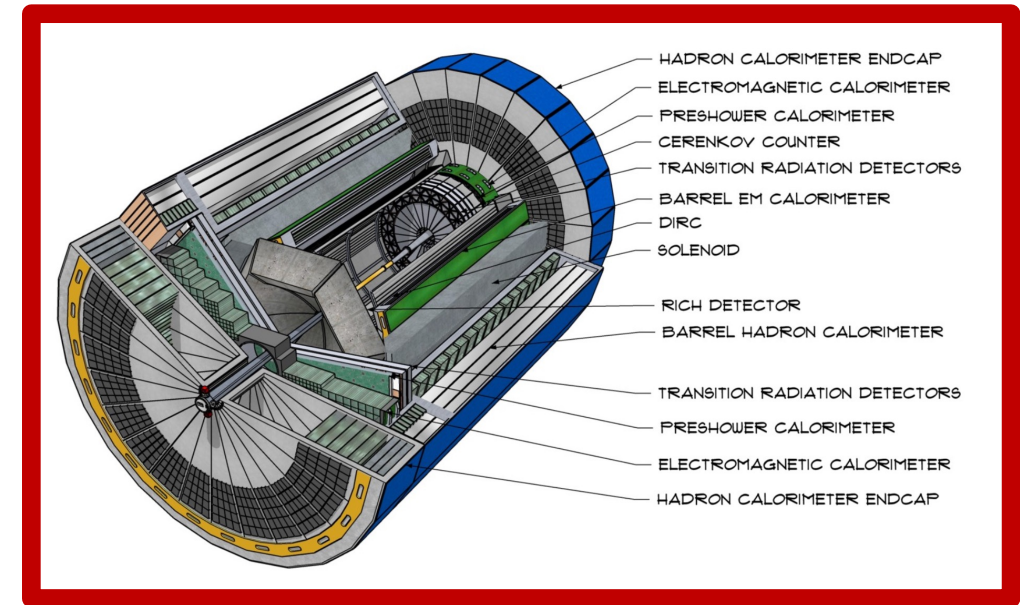


EICUG led “reference” detector design 2019-2021 “Yellow Report”

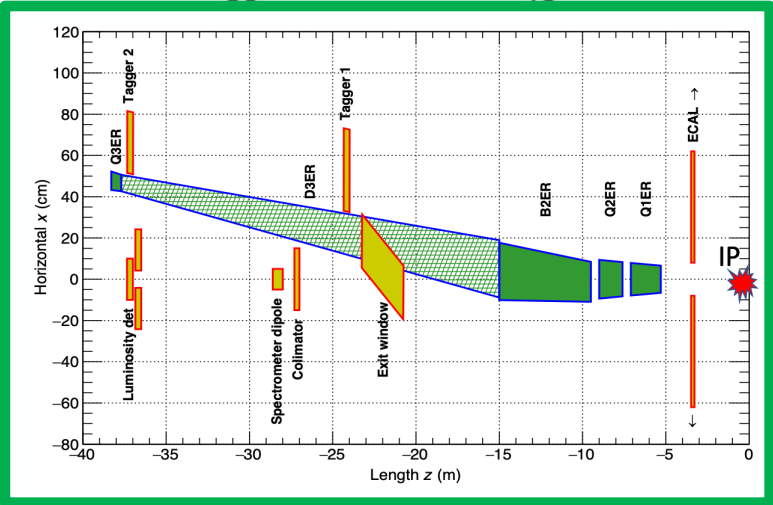
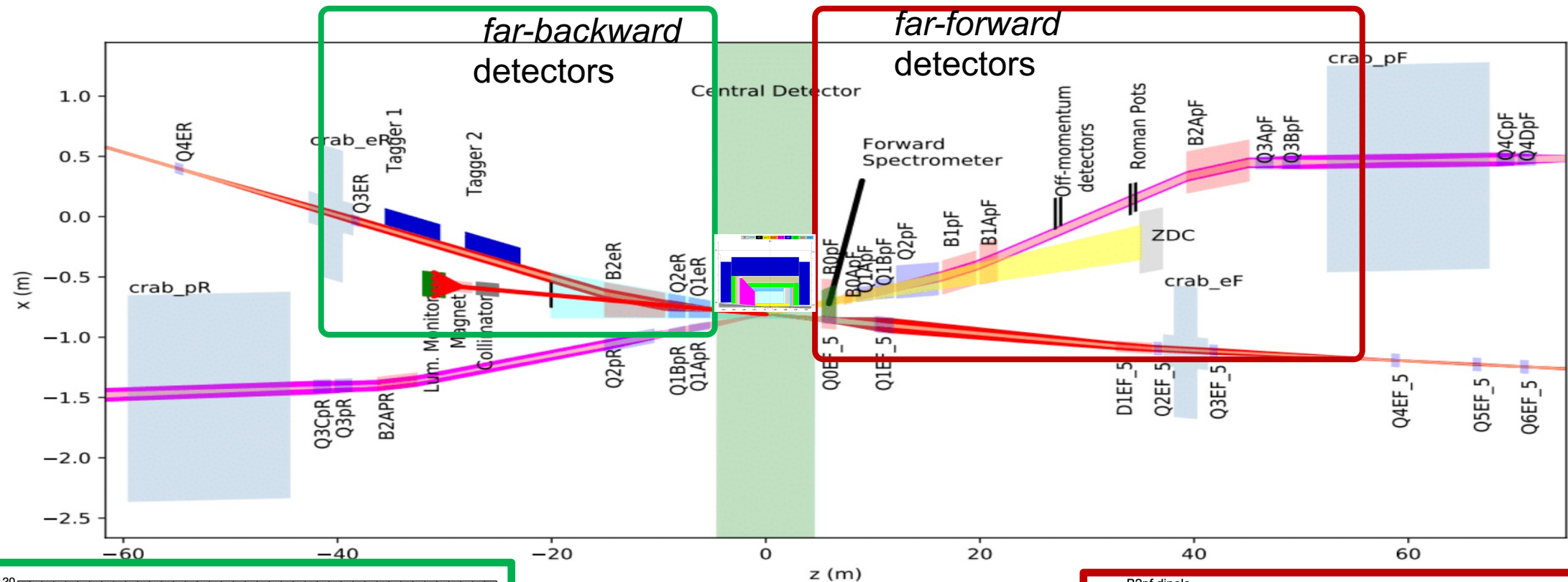


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151 institutions

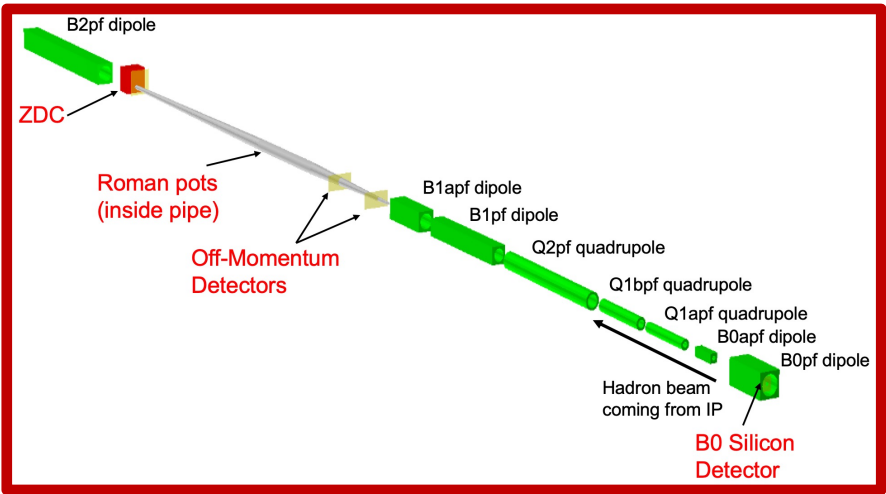
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Reference Detector – Backward/Forward Detectors



Extensive integration of forward and backward detector elements into the accelerator lattice

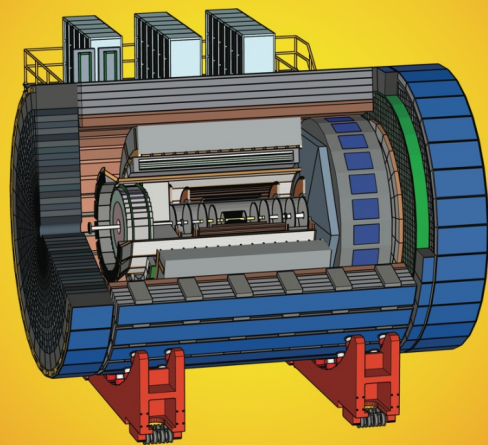


The three proposals: reviewed by an external panel

EIC Advisory Panel's recommendation on April 8, 2022

ATHENA Detector Proposal

A Totally Hermetic
Electron Nucleus Apparatus
proposed for IP6 at the Electron-Ion Collider



The ATHENA Collaboration
December 1, 2021

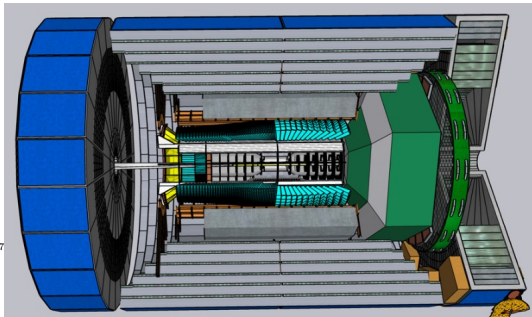
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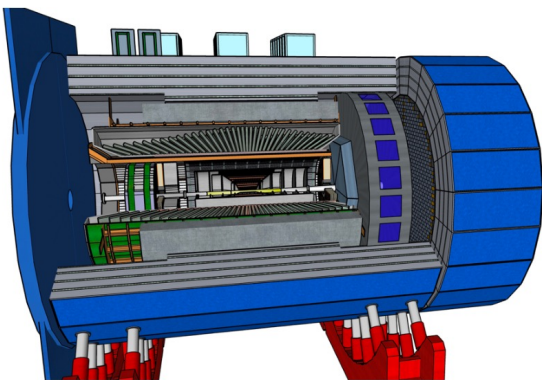
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EIC Comprehensive Chromodynamics Experiment
Collaboration Detector Proposal



A state of the art detector capable of fully exploiting the science potential of the EIC, realized through the reuse of select instrumentation and infrastructure, to be ready by project CD-4A

December 1, 2021

Detector Proposal Advisory Panel

Co-Chairs: Rolf Heuer & Patty Mc Bride

All three proposals received high marks

Concluded that both ATHENA and ECCE satisfied the requirements

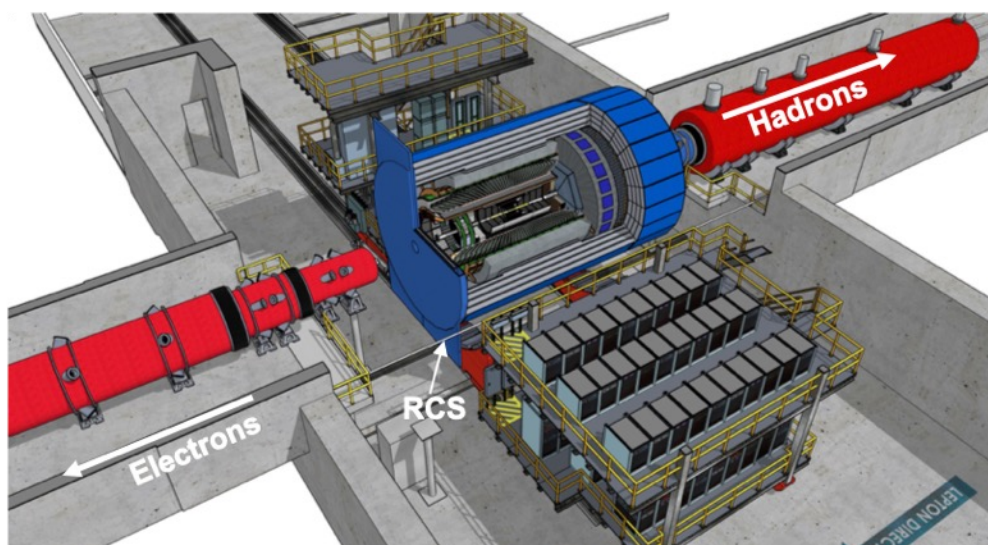
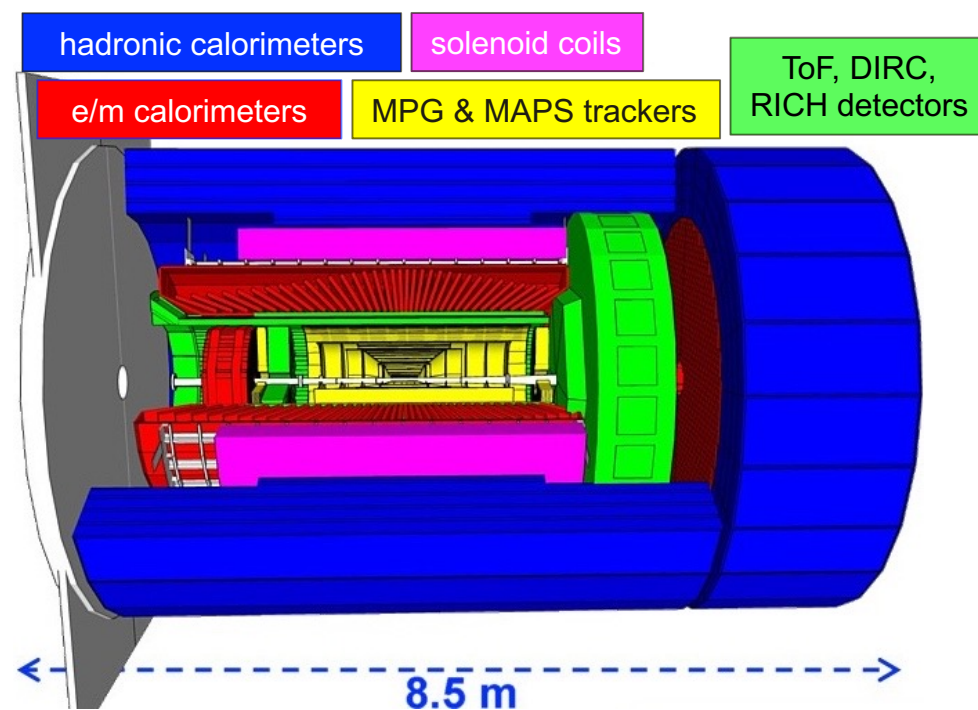
Congratulated CORE for some good ideas but too small overall

Recommended ECCE as the “reference design”: lower risk and cost

- ATHENA, ECCE – collaborator overlap – neither large enough to become Detector 1
- Strongly encouraged the proto-collaborations to merge and build the **Project Detector** starting from ECCE’s reference design

As of July 2022: (ATHENA + ECCE) : **Electron Proton Ion Collider (EPIC) Detector Collaboration** formed → working together to realize the EIC science

Enthusiastically supported the idea of a **second detector for the 2nd IR**



EIC Management team working with the EICUG to realize EPIC

Detector requirements:

- ❑ Large rapidity ($-4 < \eta < 4$) coverage; and far beyond
 - Large acceptance for diffraction, tagging, neutrons from nuclear breakup: critical for physics program
 - Integration into IR from the beginning critical
 - Many ancillary detector along the beam lines: low- Q^2 tagger, Roman Pots, Zero-Degree Calorimeter,
- ❑ High precision low mass tracking
 - small (μ -vertex Silicon) and large radius (gas-based) tracking
- ❑ Electromagnetic and Hadronic Calorimetry
 - equal coverage of tracking and EM-calorimetry
- ❑ High performance PID to separate e , π , K , p on track level
 - good e/h separation critical for scattered electron ID
- ❑ Maximum scientific flexibility
 - Streaming DAQ → integrating AI/ML
- ❑ Excellent control of systematics
 - luminosity monitor, electron & hadron Polarimetry

arXiv:2203.13199v1 [hep-ph] 24 March 2022

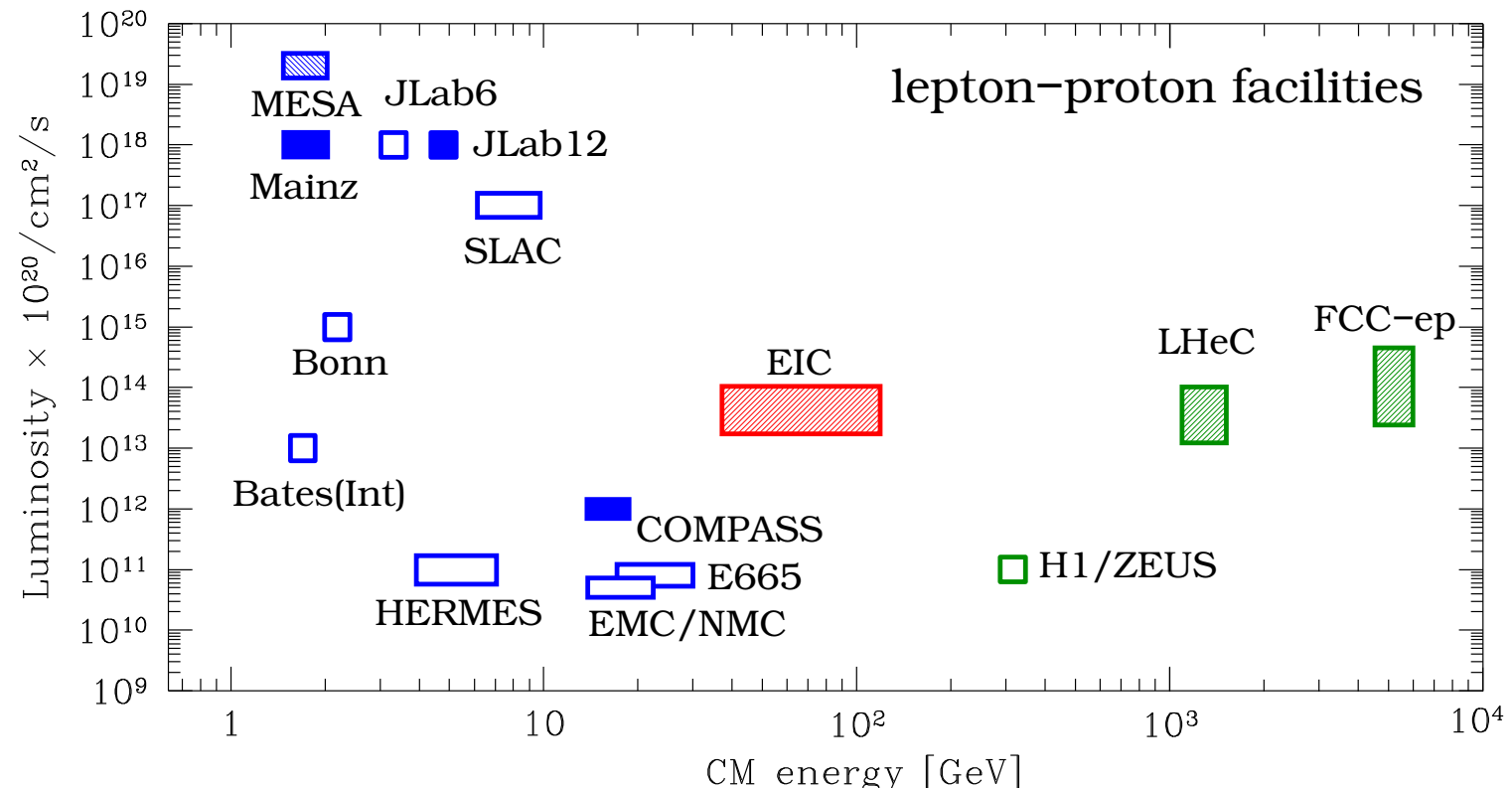
CONNECTION HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS AT LHC (HEP AND NP)

*Nature does not distinguish between HEP and NP:
EIC will be useful for both!*

EIC's versatility, resolving power and intensity (luminosity) open new windows of opportunity to address some of the crucial and fundamental scientific questions in particle physics. The paper summarizes the EIC physics from the perspective of the HEP community participating in Snowmass 2021

- Beyond the Standard Model Physics at the EIC
- Tomography (1,3,5 d PDFs) of Hadrons and Nuclei at the EIC
- Jets at EIC
- Heavy Flavors at EIC
- Small-x Physics at the EIC

- High luminosity wide CM range
- Polarized e, p, and ion beams
- All nuclei



Physics @ the US EIC beyond the EIC's core science

Perhaps other intersections
with LQCD?

Of HEP/LHC-HI interest to Snowmass 2021 (EF 05, 06, and 07 and possibly also EF 04)

New Studies with proton or neutron target:

- Impact of precision measurements of unpolarized PDFs at high x/Q^2 , on LHC-Upgrade results(?)
- Precision calculation of α_S : higher order pQCD calculations, twist 3
- Heavy quark and quarkonia (c, b quarks) studies with **100-1000 times lumi of HERA and with polarization**
- Polarized light nuclei in the EIC

Physics with nucleons and nuclear targets:

- Quark Exotica: 4,5,6 quark systems...? Much interest after recent **LHCb** led results.
- Physics of and with jets with EIC as a precision QCD machine:
 - Jets as probe of nuclear matter & Internal structure of jets : novel new observables, energy variability
 - Entanglement, entropy, connections to fragmentation, hadronization and confinement

Precision electroweak and BSM physics:

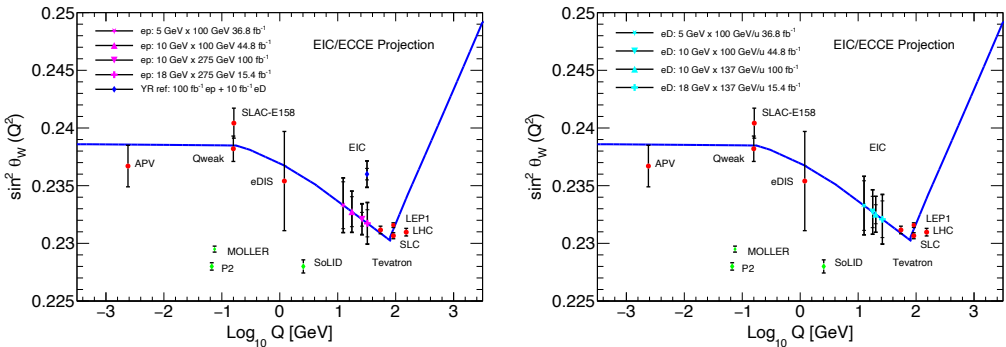
- Electroweak physics & searches beyond the SM: Parity, charge symmetry, lepton flavor violation
- LHC-EIC Synergies & complementarity

Study of universality: e-p/A vs. p-A, d-A, A-A at RHIC and LHC

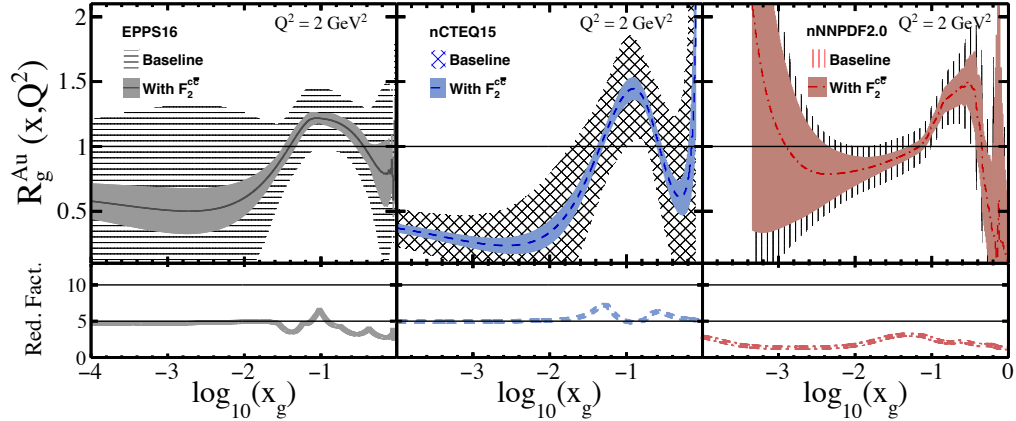
Indirect search for BSM : Parity Violating Asymmetry

EIC for HEP & NP

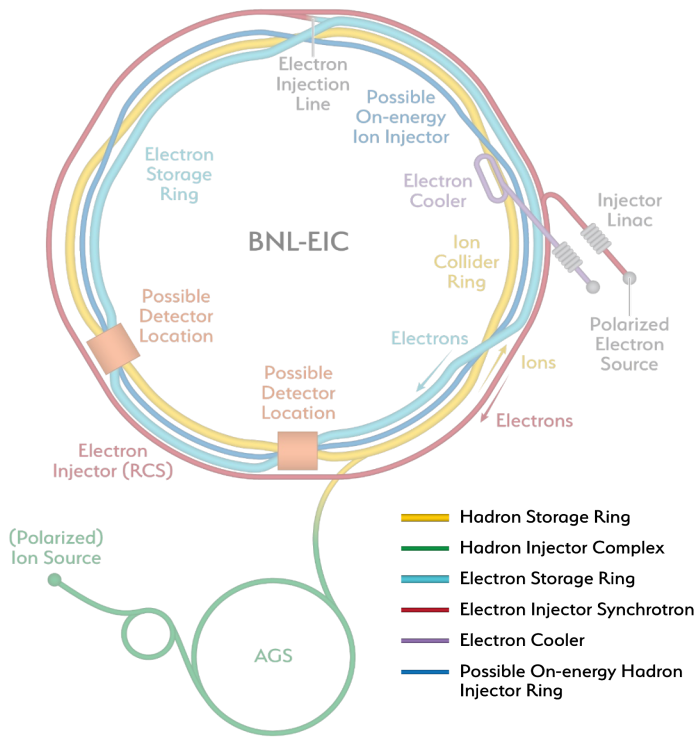
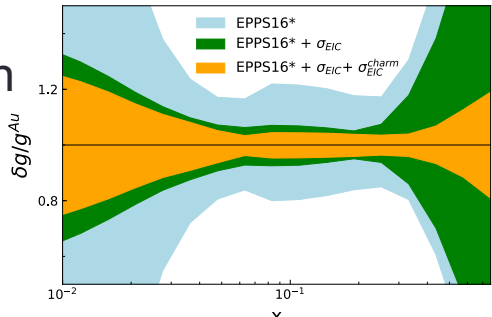
Precision PDFs → α_s



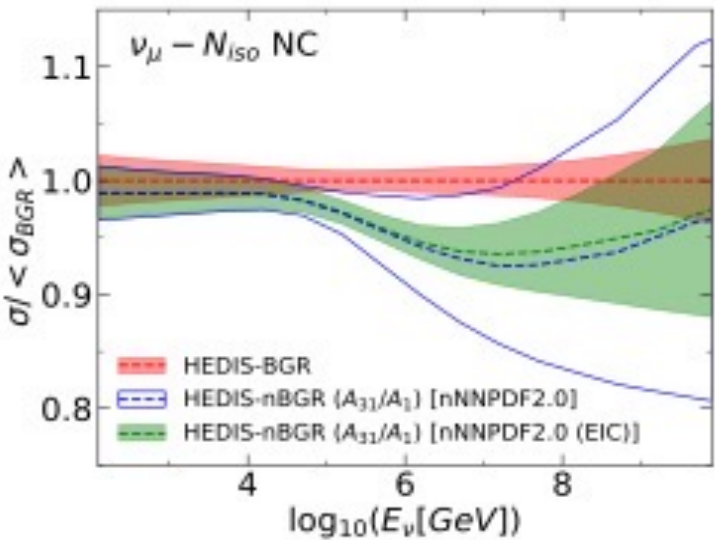
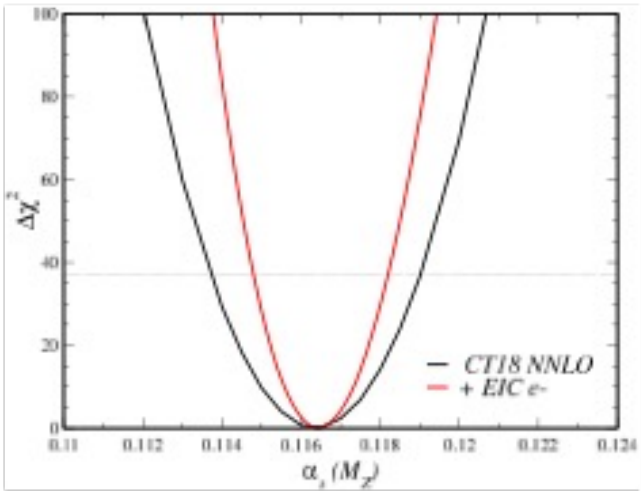
Nuclear PDF ratios with Jets @ EIC



Nuclear Gluon PDFs With EIC



Nuclear corrections With EIC for neutrino-A scattering experiments



Detector technologies EIC & LHC:

Potential for overlap and collaboration:

Many EIC collaborators already part of RDXX at CERN & vice-versa.

- MAPS μ Vertex for primary/secondary vtx: barrel & end-caps (ALICE ITS3)
- MicroPattern Gas Detectors: large rapidity, spatial resolution $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$
- Electromagnetic Calorimetry for kinematic reconstruction, precise energy measurements e, γ ; e/π & π^0/γ separation. Various technologies at various locations:
 - W/SciFi w/o PMT, PbWO₄, SiGlass; AstroPix & Pb/SciFi
 - High resolution Crystal Cal for e-endcap
 - Barrel EMCal 6 layers AstroPix and Pb/SciFi
- Particle Identification – extremely important for most EIC physics
 - K/pi separation over a wide range 1-20 GeV/c
 - Hadron ID: hpDIRC in Barrel, forward EndCap: dual RICH, backward Endcap: modular RICH or pF RICH, also TOF for short lever arm : LGAD, LAPPD
- Streaming Readout

EIC Science from the perspective of High Energy Physicists

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Snowmass 2021 White Paper: Electron Ion Collider for High Energy Physics

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Conclusion:

EIC will not only be of interest to nuclear physicists but would be extremely valuable to high energy physicists working at LHC and other neutrino scattering experiments

Partnerships for EIC sought and encouraged

- EIC is planned to be an international facility
 - Collaboration on EIC design and construction –mutually beneficial, advancing accelerator science and technology
- Possible contributions to the EIC accelerator could include the full range of accelerator design and hardware
 - Examples: IR magnet design and construction, luminosity monitoring, RF R&D and construction, normal conducting magnets, critical vacuum components, feedback systems, polarimetry, contributions to the 2nd IR, beam-dynamics calculations, etc.
- Detector(s) to be constructed as International collaborations & contributions from partners
 - Detailed contributions to EPIC *now under discussions* with EIC management
 - High level contacts between US DOE and international funding agencies: welcome

	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	FY33	FY34	FY35	FY36
Critical Decisions		CD-0(A) Dec 2019	CD-1(A) Jun 2021			CD-2/3A Jan 2024	CD-3 Apr 2025							CD-4A Approve start of operations Apr 2032	CD-4 Approve proj. completion Apr 2034			
Infrastructure		Conceptual Design	Design			Conventional Construction							Early CD-4A Completion Apr 2031	Early CD-4 Completion Apr 2032				
Accelerator Systems		Conceptual Design	Research & Development	Design		Procurement, Fabrication, Installation & Test							Full RF Power Buildout	Full RF Power Buildout				
Commissioning & Pre-Ops																		
Project Detector		Conceptual Design	Research & Development	Design		Procurement, Fabrication, Installation & Test							Commissioning & Pre-Ops					
Detector #2						Research & Development and Design							Construction & Installation					
Key	(A) Actual	Completed				Planned			Data Date	Level 0 Milestones			Critical Path		Schedule Contingency			

2nd Detector and IR

- Current assumption realization trailing ~5 years behind Detector-1
- focus on complementary IR/physics & technologies

Summary & Outlook

- Electron Ion Collider, a high-energy **high-luminosity polarized e-p, e-A collider**, funded (predominantly) by the DOE will be built in this decade and operate in 2030's.
 - Will address the most profound unanswered questions in QCD
- Up to two hermetic (full acceptance(?) and complementary) detectors under consideration, although **EIC project has funds for 1 detector**. **Cost of a second detector from non-DOE sources to be determined/identified**
 - **Experimental collaboration(s) are being formed now (in 2022)**
 - An aggressive timeline : first collisions by ~2031/32; physics start by ~2033
- **High interest in having international partners both on detector and accelerator**
- *Early career scientists: This machine is for you! Ample opportunity for make an impact.*
- *Working with at EIC should be fully transparent to the HEP trained students*



***"New directions in science are
launched by new tools much more
often than by new concepts."***

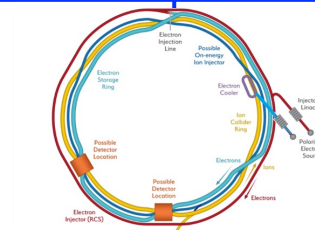
Freeman Dyson



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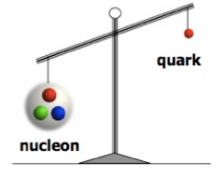
Complementarity for 1st-IR & 2nd-IR

	1 st IR (IP-6)	2 nd IR (IP-8)
Geometry:	<p>ring inside to outside</p> <p>tunnel and assembly hall are larger</p> <p>Tunnel: \varnothing 7m +/- 140m</p>	<p>ring outside to inside</p> <p>tunnel and assembly hall are smaller</p> <p>Tunnel: \varnothing 6.3m to 60m then 5.3m</p>
Crossing Angle:	<p>25 mrad</p> <p>different blind spots</p> <p>different forward detectors and acceptances</p> <p>different acceptance of central detector</p>	<p>35 mrad</p> <p>secondary focus</p>
Luminosity:	<p>more luminosity at lower E_{CM}</p> <p>optimize Doublet focusing FDD vs. FDF</p> <p>→ impact of far forward p_T acceptance</p>	
Experiment:	<p>1.5 Tesla or 3 Tesla</p> <p>different subdetector technologies</p>	



Mass of the Nucleon (Pion & Kaon)

“The mass is the result of the equilibrium reached through dynamical processes.” **X. Ji**



“... The vast majority of the nucleon’s mass is due to quantum fluctuations of quark-antiquark pairs, the gluons, and the energy associated with quarks moving around at close to the speed of light. ...”

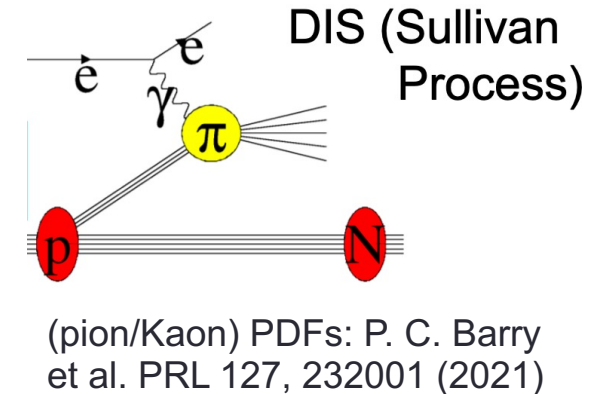
-- *The 2015 Long Range Plan for Nuclear Science*

X. Ji, PRL 74 1071 (1995)

$$M = E_q + E_g + \chi m_q + T_g$$

Diagram illustrating the decomposition of the nucleon mass M into four components, each associated with a physical concept:

- E_q (Quark Energy) is associated with **Relativistic Motion**.
- E_g (Gluon Energy) is associated with **Chiral Symmetry Breaking**.
- χm_q (Quark Mass) is associated with **Quantum Fluctuations**.
- T_g (Trace Anomaly) is associated with **Trace Anomaly**.



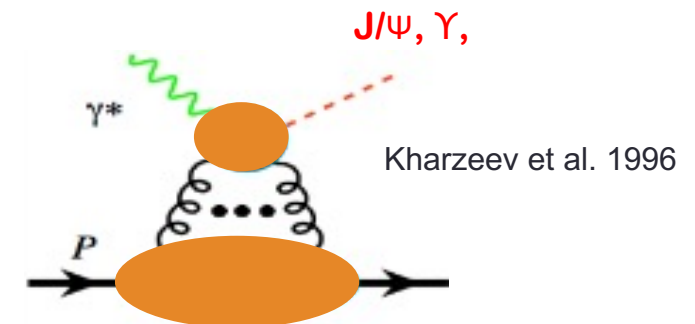
- Criticisms: not scale-invariant, decompositions: Lorentz invariant vs. rest frame
- Recent interest (workshops) planned to settle: how to determine the different contributions
- **Lattice QCD providing estimates**

$$E_q \sim 30\% \quad E_g \sim 40\% \quad \chi m_q \sim 10\% \quad T_g \sim 25\%$$

arXiv: 1710.09011

Trace anomaly:
Upsilon production
near threshold:

SoLID@JLab & EIC



Nucleon Spin: Precision with EIC

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

$\Delta \Sigma / 2$ = Quark contribution to Proton Spin

Δg = Gluon contribution to Proton Spin

L_Q = Quark Orbital Ang. Mom

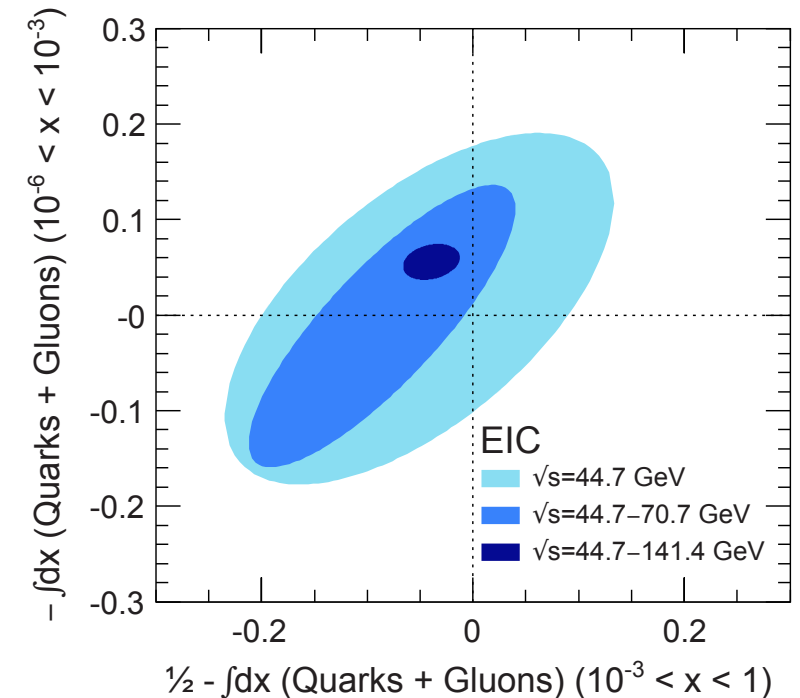
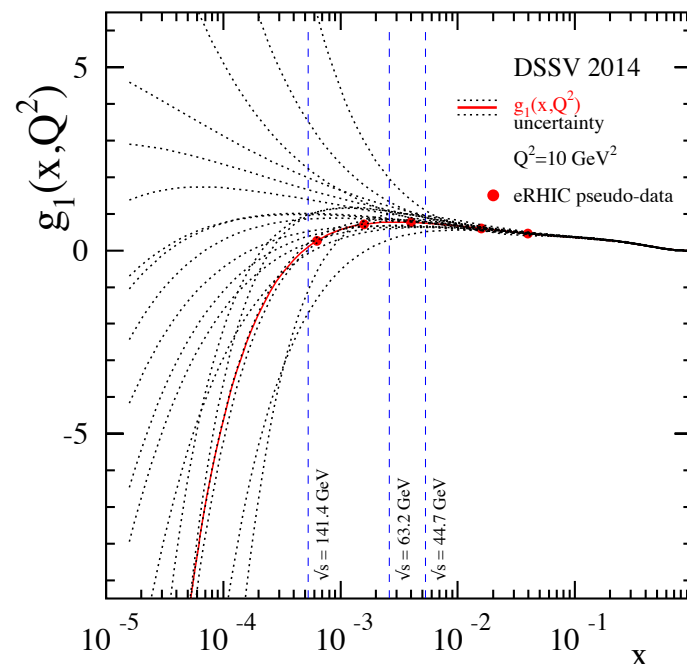
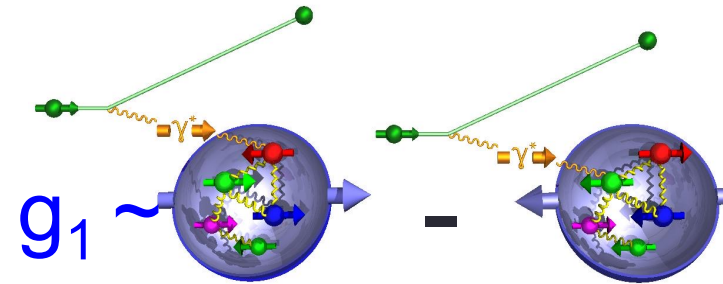
L_G = Gluon Orbital Ang. Mom

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
Of the magnitude of $L_Q + L_G = L$

Lattice Calculations : comparison

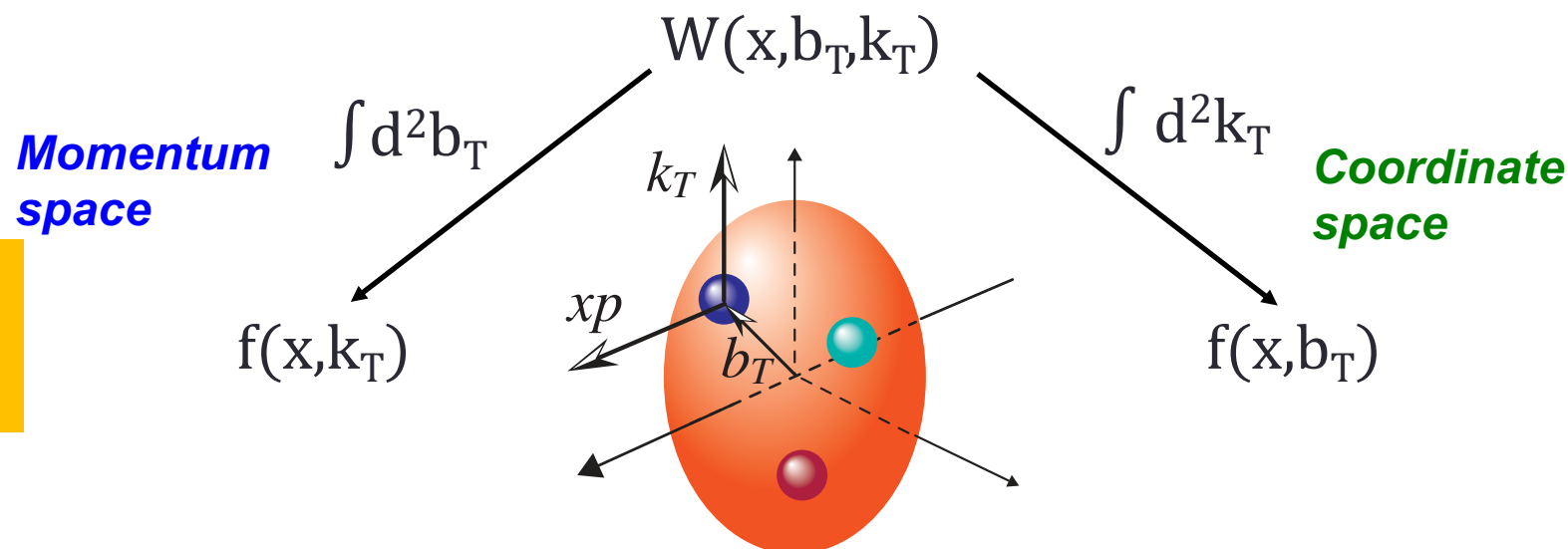
SIDIS: strange and charm quark spin contributions



2+1-Dimensional Imaging Quarks and Gluons

Wigner functions $W(x, b_T, k_T)$

offer unprecedented insight into confinement and chiral symmetry breaking.



Direct
Comparison with
lattice QCD

Spin-dependent 3D **momentum space**
images from **semi-inclusive scattering**
→ **Transverse Momentum
Distribution**

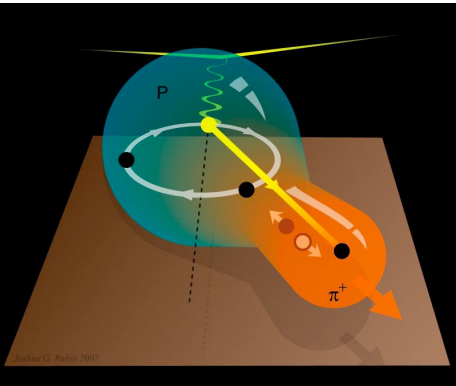
Spin-dependent 2D **coordinate space** (transverse)
+ 1D (longitudinal momentum)
images from exclusive scattering (Deeply virtual
Compton scattering and meson production)
→ **Generalized Parton Distributions**

momentum and position distributions → Orbital motion of quarks and gluons

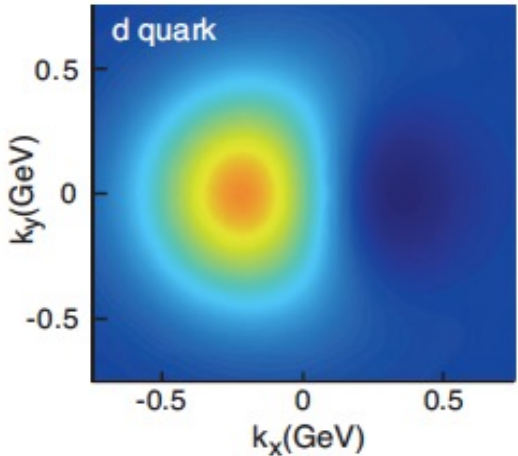
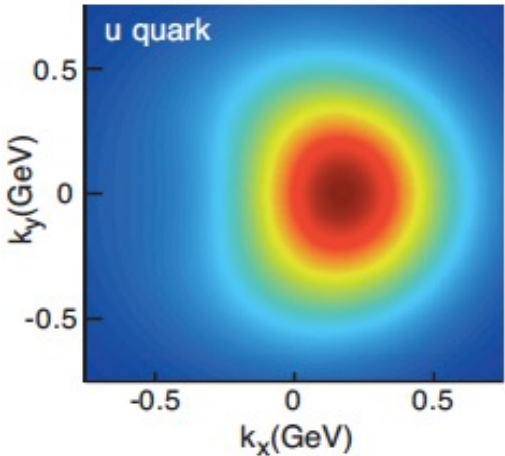
2+1 D partonic image of the proton with the EIC

Spin-dependent (2+1)D **momentum space** images from semi-inclusive scattering (SIDS)

Transverse Momentum Distributions



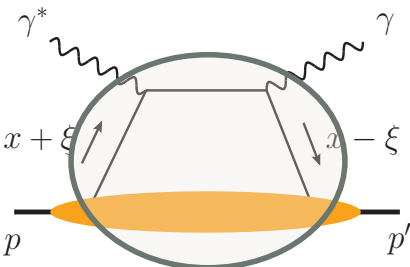
Quark's 2D momentum distribution



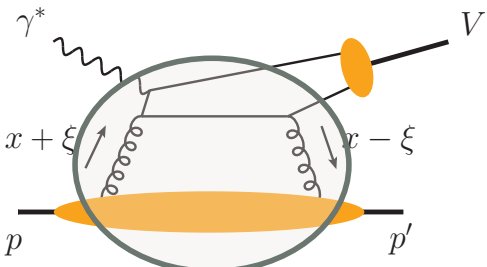
Spin-dependent 2D **coordinate space** (transverse) + 1D (longitudinal momentum) images from exclusive scattering

Transverse Position Distributions

Quarks Motion



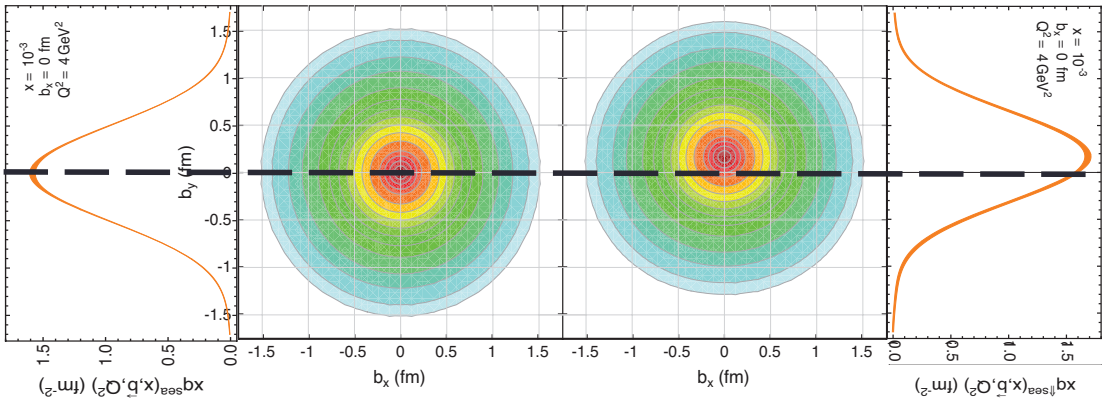
Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering
Measure all three final states
 $e + \mathbf{p} \rightarrow e' + \mathbf{p}' + \gamma$



Gluons: Only @ Collider

Fourier transform of momentum transferred=(p-p') → Spatial distribution

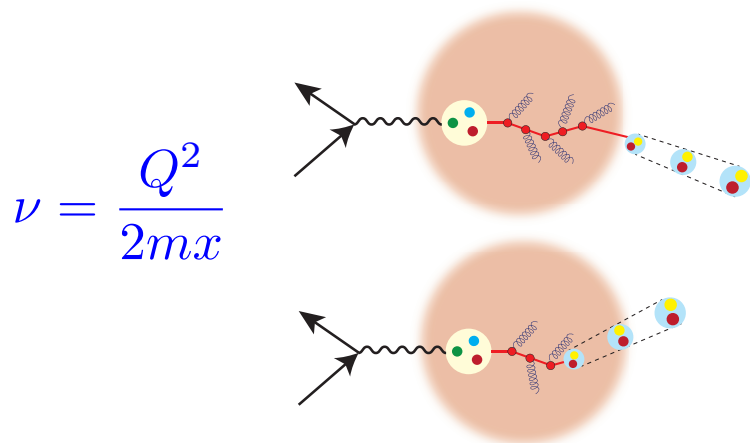
Sea quark's 2D position distribution unpolarized polarized



Emergence of Hadrons from Partons

Nucleus as a Femtometer sized filter

Unprecedented ν , the virtual photon energy
range @ EIC : precision & control



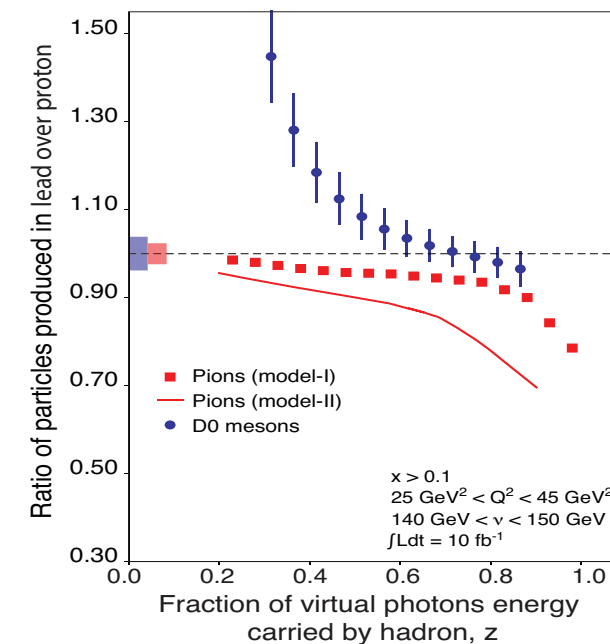
$$\nu = \frac{Q^2}{2mx}$$

Control of ν by selecting kinematics;
Also under control the nuclear size.

(colored) Quark passing through cold QCD matter
emerges as color-neutral hadron →
Clues to color-confinement?

Study in **light** quarks
vs.
heavy quarks

Energy loss by light vs. heavy quarks:

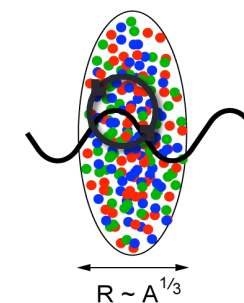
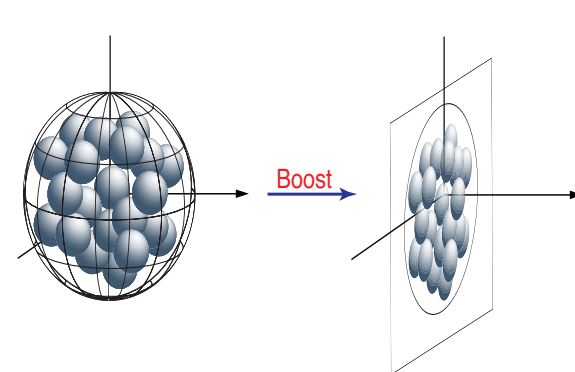


Identify π vs. D^0 (**charm**) mesons in e-A collisions:

Understand energy loss of light vs. heavy quarks
traversing the **cold nuclear** matter:
Connect to energy loss in Hot QCD

Need the collider energy of EIC and its control on parton kinematics

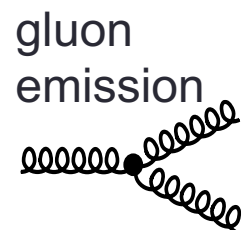
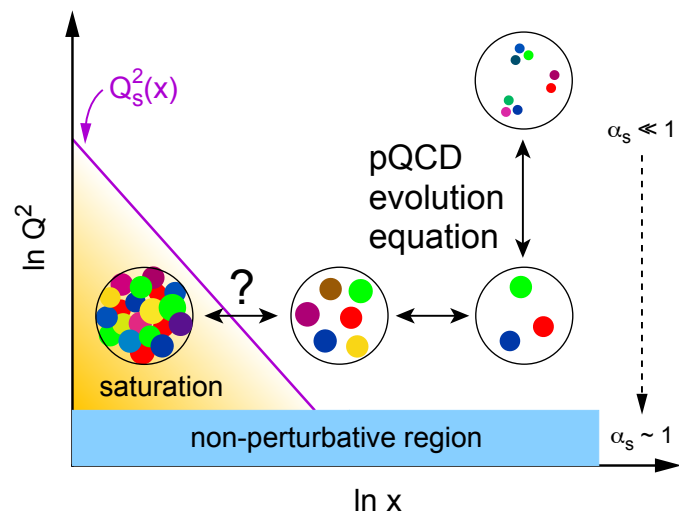
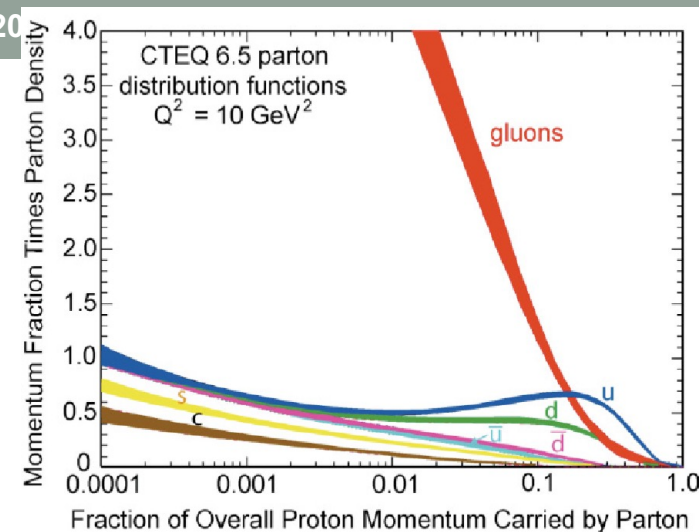
Low x physics with nuclei



$$(Q_s^A)^2 \approx c Q_0^2 \left[\frac{A}{x} \right]^{1/3}$$

$$L \sim (2m_N x)^{-1} > 2 R_A \sim A^{1/3}$$

Accessible range of saturation scale Q_s^2 at the EIC
with e+A collisions.
arXiv:1708.01527



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