



The RICH detector for CLAS12 at Jefferson Lab

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The 12 GeV upgrade (2012-2015)



Lumi up to $10^{35} cm^{-2}s^{-1}$ High pol. electron beams H and D polarized target Wide acceptance Very good PID

Forward spectrometer

- TORUS magnet
- Forward vertex tracker
- HT Cherenkov Counter
- Drift chamber system
- LT Cherenkov Counter
- Forward ToF System
- Preshower calorimeter
- E.M. calorimeter

Central Detector

- SOLENOID magnet
- Barrel Silicon Tracker
- Central Time-of-Flight

Proposed equipment

- Small angle tagger
- Micromegas in CD
- Neutron detector in CD









Pion contamination at a few % level requires
 rejection factor of 1:500 for a 90% kaon efficiency

LTCC

> Need 4σ pion-kaon separation in full momentum range

FTOF



FTOF (< 3 GeV/c hadron ID):

Forward Time-of-Flight system

 $4\sigma \ \pi$ -K separation below 3.5 GeV

HTCC (electron ID):

High Threshold Cherenkov Counter

1:500 pion rejection above 7 GeV. No K-p separation (above thresh.)

LTCC (pion ID):

Low Threshold Cherenkov Counter

1:500 pion rejection above 8 GeV. No K-p separation (above thresh.) Not helpful for hadron identification!



SIDIS particle flux within acceptance: **pion >> kaon in whole kinematic plane**

The PID detectors in the CLAS12 baseline (TOF, HTCC, LTCC) cannot provide efficient hadron separation in the momentum range 3-8 GeV!

A RICH detector is mandatory for 4σ pion-kaon separation



from ×5 to ~1% \Rightarrow 1: 500 rejection factor (4 σ separation) can be achived in full momentum range pion contamination in kaon sample from \times 10 to \sim 1% \Rightarrow 1: 1000 rejection factor (> 4 σ separation)

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well under control in full range

Why a RICH for CLAS12? (Physics motivations)

The addition of a RICH detector would significantly enhance the PID capabilities of CLAS12, allowing for the extraction of flavour separated information about the complex multi-dimensional nucleon structure in the poorly explored valence region.

A broad physics program will greatly benefit from clean pion-kaon separation:

- > Exploring the elusive strange quark distribution in kaon production in unpolarized and polarized DIS
- Study of the flavour and kinematic dependencies of the intrinsic transverse momenta with multidimensional analyses of pion and kaon production in unpolarized DIS
- > 3D imaging of nucleons in momentum space through extraction TMDs in SIDIS
- Study of quark propagation and hadronization in cold nuclear matter
- > Study of transverse spatial distribution of gluons from hard exclusive ϕ -meson production
- Study of exotic meson configurations via tagging of strangeness-rich final states

The strangeness content of the nucleon



Polarized strangeness ΔS is practically unknown, even sign is not defined

Shape of HERMES S(x) vs. x completely different than CTEQ6L

- S(x) $\rightarrow 0$ for x > 0.1 (in contrast to CTEQ6L)
- \rightarrow S(x) substantially different than non-strange sea
- Shape of HERMES S(x) results makes extraction of intrinsic strangeness very challenging

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CLAS12 E12-09-007 experiment allows studies of x-dependence of strange sea distributions in wide range of kinematics, using multidimensional binning.

Measurements require good charged kaon identification in whole momentum range

The nucleon tomography



3D picture in coordinate space



Exclusive reactions



QCDSF/UKQCD, PRL 98 (07)

quark



Hard exclusive **pion and kaon** production provides a unique possibility to study the chiralodd GPDs describing spatial distributions of transversely polarized quarks.

TMDs



3D picture in momentum space



A.B., F. Conti, M. Radici, PRD78 (08)



The non-collinear structure of the nucleon: TMDs

Boer-Muders effect: kaons vs pions

Independent, high precision measurement of Boer-Mulders asymmetry in kaon SIDIS at large x will provide complementary information on Boer-Mulders function and the Collins fragmentation functions for kaons and can shed light on the "kaon puzzle"

- Opposite sign for π^+/π^- consistent with opposite signs of fav/unfav Collins

- K^+/K^- amplitudes are larger than for pions , have different kinematic dependencies than pions and have same sign (inconsistent with fav/unfav Collins FF)

- different Collins FF for pions and kaons?

- Significant contribution from scattering off strange quarks?

Sivers and Collins: kaons vs pions

0.02

impact of different p_⊤ dependence of FFs in the convolution integral

quark

- K^- seem to have opposite sign than π^- at HERMES & BRAHMS (pp->hX) and same sign at COMPASS

Independent high precision measurements in kaon SIDIS al large x will be crucial

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Sivers and Collins asymmetries @ CLAS12

100 days @ $L = 5 \cdot 10^{33} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$, HD-Ice target (60% H pol, f = 1/3), RICH detector

Measurement of Collins effect for kaons will shed light on the "kaon puzzle"

The RICH goals

To reach high P_T and high z need to cover ϑ up to 25° and intermediate-to-high momenta

Requirements: 4σ pion-kaon separation (pion rejection factor 1:500) in 3-8 GeV momentum range with angular coverage in the range $5^{\circ} < \vartheta < 25^{\circ}$.

Aerogel mandatory to separate hadrons in 3-8 GeV momentum range with the required large rejection factor

- Collection of visible Cherenkov light
- Use of PMTs

Challenge: need to minimize detector area covered with expensive photo-detectors

> Direct rings for forward (high momentum) particles

- Reflected rings for low momentum particles (FTOF)
- Multiple passage of Cherenkov photons in aerogel (absorption+scattering → loss of photons)
- Thicker aerogel compensates photon loss
- Focalizing mirrors reduce uncertainty of prod. point
- Metalized Carbon fiber substrate for spherical mirror
- > Thin glass skin on a flat support for planar mirrors

Benefits:

- instrument only forward region
- reduce active area (~1 m²/sector)
- minimize interference with TOF system

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- > Transmittance, absorption and scattering length measurements with spectrophotometer
- High precision mapping of the tiles thickness
- > Measurements of refractive index and chromatic dispersion with the *prims method*.
- refractive index mapping with gradient method

The **Novosibirsk** aerogel has the highest performances (transparency, scattering length, chromatic dispersion). Novosibirsk group is reliable and has long experience (AMS, LHCb). Up to now it is the **most suitable option for the CLAS12 RICH**.

The aerogel tiles for the CLAS12 RICH:

- Size: $20 \times 20 \times 2$ (3) cm^3
- **Refractive index**: 1.05
- Clarity parameter: $\leq 0.0050 \ \mu m^4/cm$

The photon-detector

Requirements:

- Position sensitive
- Pixel sizes < 1cm x 1cm
- Efficient single photon detection crucial
- High packing fraction
- Sensitivity to visible light

✓ Hamamatsu H8500 MAPMT

MAPMT Parameter	H8500
Active Area (mm x mm)	49 x 49
Number of Pixels	64 (8 x 8)
Pixel Size (mm x mm)	5.8 x 5.8
Packing Fraction (%)	89
Range (nm)	260 - 650

MAROC3 Front-End card

SiPM are considered as an alternative for the future!

WAVELENGTH (nm)

CERN PS East Area, T9 beam test area (Jul-Aug 2012 and Nov-Dec 2012)

A large-scale prototype has been build to test the various features of the CLAS12 RICH (both direct and reflected light configurations)

Testbeams allowed to study effects which are not easy to simulate: aerogel characteristics, mirror reflectivity, photon detection, etc

Prototype test-beam extremely usefull to validate MC simulation for CLAS12 RICH

Testbeams:

- Negative polarity; momenta 6,7,8 GeV/c
- At 8GeV/c, π:K = 60:1

Similar to CLAS12 RICH configuration

MAPMTs:

- 28 H8500 MAPMTs (14 normal, 14 UVextended windows)
- Readout MAROC3 electronics (ADC)
 Aerogel:
- Novosibirsk, varying n, t, transparencies
- Transparency monitored laser and photodiode

- Absorbers: Novosibirsk, CERN AMS samples
- n=1.05, t=2cm, varying transparency

Prototype testbeams: preliminary results

Data analysis in progress

Conclusions

The 3D mapping of the nucleon structure in both momentum and coordinate space is a major focus of the hadron physics community and constitutes a mileston in the physics program of the JLab 12 GeV upgrade.

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A non-conventional geometry will allow to reduce costs and limit impact on other detectors

MC simulations suggest a 4σ pion-kaon separation in 3-8 GeV momentum range

Test-beams on a prototype performed at CERN and LNF. Data are being analyzed.

A wide International collaboration is involved in the various aspects of the project

 1^{st} RICH module ready by end of 2016

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