The DIRC Program at Jefferson Lab



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Outline



- Introduction
- Installation
- Commissioning
- Initial Experience
- Initial Performance



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Jefferson Lab



GlueX Experiment at Jefferson Lab: GlueX I

- GlueX I: Sep 2016 May 2019
- Designed for light quark meson spectroscopy
- 9 GeV linearly-polarized photon beam on LH₂ target



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forward calorimeter

barrel

time-of

GlueX Experiment at Jefferson Lab: GlueX II

- GlueX-II is already ongoing right now (Since Jan, 2020)
- Designed for light guark meson spectroscopy
- 9 GeV linearly-polarized photon beam on LH₂ target
- Upgraded π/K separation up to ~4 GeV/c: TOF + DIRC
- Reusing $\frac{1}{3}$ of the BaBar DIRC bars, combined with new optics and readout



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forward calorimeter

barrel

start

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calorimeter

time-of

-flight

DIRC Barbox Transportation (SLAC to JLab)



GlueX DIRC Status





Installation timeline

- First DIRC bar transportation: Nov. 2017
- Remaining DIRC bars transportation: June 2018
- Lower box assembly and installation: Jan./Feb. 2018
- Upper box assembly and installation: Nov. 2018
- DIRC commissioning: Feb. 2019 and Dec. 2019
- GlueX II is taking data with the DIRC right now

GlueX DIRC Detector - installed in Hall D



DIRC Sensors and Readout



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- DIRC PMT Assembly
 - Based on MAROC readout (CLAS 12 RICH)
 - 72 Modules (3 PMTs per module)
 - 11520 channels in total
- Component:
 - FPGA board: communication with DAQ, trigger for the laser pulse
 - **ASIC board**: signal processing gives leading and trailing time (ToT), ADC
 - Adapter board: PMTs, HV
 - PMT: 2 or 3 H12700 PMTs per module

DAQ:

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- Fiber optics used to transfer data
- No ADC or TDC modules
- Leading edge time (t0) and time over threshold (ToT) directly to DAQ

DIRC Mirror: Reflective Surface Degradation



Type II anodized AI strongback in optical box. Coated with white cloudy residue after few months in water.





South/lower box experience: Oct 2018 - May 2019, optical box suffered from degradation in water

Pitted surface

- Mirror developed non-removable white traces
- Reflective coating are pitted
- White residue on the anodized surfaces

DIRC Mirror: Solution



DIRC LED Diffuser



Water Quality Monitoring throughout the Run

- First water transparency test
 - Sample date: Jan 21, 2020
 - South Lower box: water since Nov 13, 2019
 - North Upper box: water since Jan 2, 2020
 - North Upper box water transparency is fractionally better than the south box DIRC Water Transmission Comparison





Mirror and PMT Installation



Hit Pattern



Geometrical Reconstruction (LUT Method)

- Adapted from the BaBar and PANDA Barrel DIRC reconstruction
- Geometrical algorithm determines Cherenkov angle θ_c per photon using Look Up Tables (LUT) from Geant simulation



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Detection

Plane

DIRC Commissioning: Event Selection



- February 2019: 10 days of GlueX beamtime with first (lower) half of DIRC installed
- December 2019: 16 days of GlueX beamtime with complete DIRC installed
- Samples of exclusive ρ and ϕ production provide pure samples of π and K tracks for PID studies

Single Photon Resolution (LUT Method)



Hit position of the charged tracks on the radiator wall:



(BaBar DIRC: 9.6 mrad resolution per photon)

Photon Yield (LUT Method)



Hit position of the charged tracks on the radiator wall:



(BaBar DIRC: ~25 photons/particle at 90 deg)

Separation Power (LUT Method)



Hit position of the charged tracks on the radiator wall: [u2] A [00] 200 180 160 140 120 100 80 20 -1080 100 60 x [cm]

(BaBar DIRC: 4 s.d. π/K separation at 3 GeV/c)

Performance (FastDIRC Method)



Hit position of the charged tracks on the radiator wall:



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FastDIRC doi:10.1088/1748-0221/11/10/P10007

- Four BaBar DIRC bar boxes transported safely from SLAC to JLab, combined with new optics and readout, installed in GlueX as forward PID wall
- Successful commissioning runs (Feb. 2019, Dec 2019)
- GlueX DIRC worked right from the start, bar boxes fully functional, hit patterns as expected
- Measured Cherenkov angle resolution per photon agrees with design and simulation
- Initial π/K separation: 3 s.d. at 3 GeV/c (very preliminary)
- Analysis well underway, performance expected to improve significantly with better calibration and alignment





The core GlueX DIRC team



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Backup Slides

GlueX DIRC timeline

- 2004: First suggestion to upgrade GlueX PID capabilities with a DIRC
- 2013: SLAC & DOE issue call for proposals for decommissioned BaBar DIRC bar boxes
- 2014: 4 bar boxes (1/3 of the bars) awarded to GlueX, condition: keep bar boxes intact



- Plan: move bar boxes to JLab, install as forward DIRC wall, design new optics to replace large water tank used in BaBar, replace PMTs and electronics
- New optics based on SLAC fDIRC design with simplifications: Segmented flat mirrors instead of cylindrical mirror, distilled water instead of fused silica
- H12700 MaPMTs as sensors, MAROC readout (same as CLAS12 RICH at JLab)
- 2015: TDR https://halldweb.jlab.org/doc-public/DocDB/ShowDocument?docid=2809
- 2017: first bar box transported from SLAC to JLab
 - very, very carefully and successfully
- 2018: use same approach to transport three more bar boxes, install all boxes in Hall D
- 2019: two commissioning runs (10 days + 16 days) for GlueX DIRC



LED Monitoring Occupancy & Timing



Commissioning with GEM/TRD

- GEM/TRD installed directly upstream of the DIRC
 - Provides ~2 planes of tracking near DIRC: ~200 um GEM and wire TRD with ~400 um resolution in x-direction
 - 3 x-positions along DIRC with focused FCAL trigger to readout slow GEM electronics
- Collected significant data with solenoid field on and off





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Analysis of GEM/TRD data

- Alignment of package position with straight track data (Lubomir), code in place to include GEM/TRD hits (Simon)
- Broader residuals on extrapolated position than expected from simulation, need to determine impact on $\sigma_{\theta c}$
- Solution required before REST production

Simulated tracking resolutions (from TDR)



$$\sigma_{\theta_{\rm C}}^{\rm track} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_{\theta_{\rm C}}^{\rm photon}}{\sqrt{\rm N_{\rm photons}}}\right)^2 + \left(\sigma^{\rm correlated}\right)^2}$$



Measured x-position residual RIGHT, p>3GeV

DIRC 2019

January 2020 Inspection

- Most mirror have pristine quality!
 - No white trace marks
 - No rainbow colored marks
 - Only removable small dusts observed

• Water came in between the wedged mirror!

• LED diffuser leaked water!

Water



Event Selection



Single Photon Resolution (LUT Method)



