The current status of



at Jefferson Lab



a search for mesons with gluonic degrees of freedom using the 12 GeV CEBAF



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Light Meson Spectroscopy

Dudek, Edwards, Guo, and Thomas, PRD 88, 094505 (2013)



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The Hall D Photon Beamline





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GlueX Detector with Prof. Curtis Meyer GlueX Spokesperson October 2014 E

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Spring 2016 Run Period

- Goals
 - final detector commissioning and calibration
 - commission computing/analysis infrastructure
 - opportunistic physics results
- Typical acquisition rate:
 30 kHz with 90% live time
 750 MB/s data acquisition
- Approximate data volume to date: 250 TB





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Calorimeter Performance



(Measured using exclusive $\gamma p \rightarrow 4\gamma p$ events.)

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Tracking Performance



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Particle Identification Capability



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$\gamma p \rightarrow 4\gamma p$

- Very little data exist (until now) on photoproduction of mesons that decay into multiple neutral particles
- Plots integrate over all available beam photon energies (3.0 GeV - 11.7 GeV)





Summary and Outlook

- Hall D beamline is operating at design energy and intensity for initial phase of GlueX
- Most GlueX subsystems are operating at design resolution
- Unique features of the GlueX experiment are evident already
 - high statistics
 - large acceptance, especially for photons
- At least an order of magnitude more data will be collected during first physics run in 2016-2017

