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Polarized ³He Target in High Magnetic Field at CLAS12¹ DIEN NGUYEN, Jefferson Lab, XIAQING LI, Massachusetts Institute of Technology MIT, JAMES MAXWELL, Jefferson Lab, JEFFERSON LAB-MIT COLLABORATION - A nuclear spin polarized ³He target provides a unique advantage as an effective polarized neutron target in spin-dependent measurements of electron scattering from the neutron. Although optical pumping techniques for polarization of ${}^{3}\text{He}$ in lowmagnetic-field environments have produced successful scattering targets, increased wall relaxation has limited the effectiveness of these targets at high magnetic fields. Recent developments in high-magnetic-field optical pumping, including a polarized ³He ion source at RHIC for the EIC, have opened the possibility of a polarized 3 He target within high-magnetic-field experimental facilities such as the CLAS12 spectrometer in Hall B at Jefferson Lab. A double-cell cryogenic target using the metastability exchange optical pumping method² has been designed for a proposed experiment of spin-dependent electron scattering from a polarized ³He target at CLAS12³. In this talk, the conceptual design, recent development, and future work of such a target will be presented.

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