Deuteron Electro-Disintegration at Very High Missing Momenta

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The Deuteron Electro-Disintegration experiment (E12-10-003) at Jefferson Lab, Hall C is discussed. The experiment consists of using an electron beam to break up the Deuteron into a proton and neutron. The scattered electron is detected in coincidence with the knocked out proton and the missing neutron is reconstructed from conservation laws. The newly commissioned Super High Momentum Spectrometer (SHMS) and existing High Momentum Spectrometer (HMS) are used to detect the electron and proton, respectively. The D(e,e'p)n reaction investigates an unexplored kinematic region in which Final State Interactions (FSI) between the proton and neutron are small. In this regime, the neutron missing momentum is approximately equal to its internal momentum in the Deuteron, enabling the extraction of momentum distributions from the measured cross-sections. A general theoretical background of the D(e,e'p) reaction and very preliminary results are presented.