A Photon Collider at TESLA, how does it work?

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Physics motivation

Charged particle production

• Basic production process



- Cross sections typically larger than in $e^+e^- \rightarrow plot$
- Production mechanism very simple (no γZ or ST interference)
- Example $\gamma \gamma \to W^+ W^-$
 - $-\,{\rm cross}$ section factor 10 larger than in ${\rm e^+e^-}$
 - $-\operatorname{only}$ diagram with triple gauge coupling
 - \Longrightarrow should be very sensitive to triple gauge coupling
 - -However e⁺e⁻ equally sensitive due to gauge cancellations



Higgs Physics

• Higgs produced via loop diagram



- all heavy charged particles contribute (W, t, new physics)
 cross section very interesting in itself
- expect $\mathcal{O}(10000)$ events for $m_{\rm h} \sim 120 \,{\rm GeV}$
- heavy SUSY Higgses in e^+e^- pair produced \rightarrow mass reach $\sim 0.5\sqrt{s}$ in $\gamma\gamma$ single production possible \rightarrow mass reach $\sim 0.8\sqrt{s}$
- Access to CP structure with linear photon polarisation

SUSY:

In general profit from large cross section for charged particles

- ➡ Branching ratio measurements?
- Possible discovery channel:
- $e\gamma \rightarrow \tilde{e}\chi_1^0$ if $\tilde{e} \chi_1^0$ mass difference is large



 $(e\gamma \rightarrow \nu W \text{ background?})$

Physics and Polarisation

Circular polarisation in $\gamma\gamma$

- Helicity suppression: $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \to f\bar{f}) \propto \frac{m^2}{s}$ for J=0
- Higgs production requires J=0
- TGC sensitivity in $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow W^+W^-$ better for J=2

Linear polarisation in $\gamma\gamma$:

- Production of CP even particle: $\sigma \propto \vec{\varepsilon_1} \cdot \vec{\varepsilon_2}$
- Production of CP odd particle: $\sigma \propto [\vec{\varepsilon_1} \times \vec{\varepsilon_2}] \cdot \vec{k_{\gamma}}$

Circular polarisation in $e\gamma$:

- electron s-channel exchange only for J=1/2
- eW coupling only for left handed electrons



 $\gamma\gamma$ physics in the past:



- \bullet only "used" electrons are lost
- \bullet however photon flux peaks at low energy
- mainly useful for QCD studies

Linear collider

- electrons are used only once
- $\Rightarrow \text{ can ``convert'' electrons to high energy } \gamma \text{s}$ $\Rightarrow \text{ Compton scattering}$



high energy photons follow e-direction
focusing as in e⁺e⁻

Run in e^-e^- mode:

- easier to achieve low emittance
- easier to reach high polarisation
- \bullet less disturbing background in e^e^ interactions than in e^e^
- \bullet less beamstrahlung in e^e^ than in e^e^

Compton scattering



$$x = \frac{4E_0\omega_0}{m^2c^4}\cos^2\frac{\alpha}{2} \simeq 19\left[\frac{E_0}{\text{TeV}}\right]\left[\frac{\mu m}{\lambda}\right]$$
(To avoid $\gamma\gamma \to e^+e^- \text{ need } x < 4.8$)

Differential Compton cross section:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma_c}{dy} &= \frac{2\sigma_0}{x} \left[\frac{1}{1-y} + 1 - y - 4r(1-r) + 2\lambda_e P_c r x (1-2r)(2-y) \right] \\ &= \omega/E_0, \quad r = \frac{y}{(1-y)x}, \quad \sigma_0 = \pi r_e^2 \end{aligned}$$

 λ_e : e-helicity, P_c : circular laser polarisation

 \boldsymbol{y}

Cross section depends on helicity product $2\lambda_e P_c$

Mean helicity of scattered photons:

$$\begin{array}{l} \langle \lambda_{\gamma} \rangle = \\ \underline{-P_c(2r-1)[(1-y)^{-1}+1-y]+2\lambda_e xr[1+(1-y)(2r-1)^2]} \\ (1-y)^{-1}+1-y-4r(1-r)-2\lambda_e P_c xr(2-y)(2r-1) \end{array}$$

Differential Compton cross section and mean circular polarisation:



x < 4.8 makes spectrum less peaked with little effect on polarisation



For realistic electron polarisation photon polarisation varies rapidly at $y < y_{\text{max}}$



Linear polarisation

Why?

e.g. CP-studies of Higgses

- CP even: $\sigma \propto \vec{\varepsilon_1} \cdot \vec{\varepsilon_2}$
- CP odd: $\sigma \propto [\vec{\varepsilon_1} \times \vec{\varepsilon_2}] \cdot \vec{k_{\gamma}}$
- Linear beam polarisation possible with linear laser polarisation
- High linear polarisation can only be reached with small x!



 $\langle l_{\gamma} \rangle = \frac{2r^2 \ P_l}{(1-y)^{-1} + 1 - y - 4r(1-r) - 2\lambda_e P_c xr(2-y)(2r-1)}$

Non-linear effects

In a high field an electron can interact with several photons simultaneously



Non linearity parameter:

$$\xi^2 = \frac{e^2 \bar{F^2} \hbar^2}{m^2 c^2 \omega_0^2} = \frac{2n_\gamma r_e^2 \lambda}{\alpha}$$

 \bar{F} = field strength of laser field, n_{γ} = photon density

Non linear effects:

- increase effective electron mass to $m^2(1+\xi^2)$
- \Rightarrow decreases ω_m to $\omega_m/E_0 = x/(1+x+\xi^2)$
 - \bullet create tail at high ω from n-photon interactions





Luminosity:

$$\mathcal{L} = f_{rep} \frac{N^2}{4\pi\sigma_x \sigma_y}$$

Beamstrahlung:

$$\delta_b \propto \frac{1}{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}$$

 \Rightarrow need flat beams!

 $\gamma\gamma$:

- BS only relevant for pair background
- \bullet BS only created from unconverted electrons
- \bullet BS in e^e^ is less than in e⁺e⁻

 \Rightarrow Can work with "rounder" beam in $\gamma\gamma$ than in e⁺e⁻

Crab crossing:

in $\gamma\gamma$ the disruption angle is larger than in e^+e^ because of the beam-laser interaction

 \Rightarrow outgoing beam no longer fits through final quadrupole

 \rightarrow need crossing angle to have separate beam pipe for in- and outgoing beam

Crab crossing scheme allows crossing angle without luminosity loss



• need $\theta_c \sim 35$ mrad

• apparent transverse beam dimension for beam-laser interaction larger

Beam parameters for $\sqrt{s_{ee}} = 500 \,\text{GeV}$

	e ⁺ e ⁻	$\gamma\gamma$	$\gamma\gamma$
			(optimistic)
$N/10^{10}$	2	2	2
$\sigma_z \; [\mathrm{mm}]$	0.3	0.3	0.3
pulses/train	2820	2820	2820
Repetition rate [Hz]	5	5	5
$\gamma \epsilon_{x/y} / 10^{-6} \text{ [m·rad]}$	10./0.03	3./0.03	2.5/0.03
$\beta_{x/y}$ [mm] at IP	15/0.4	4/0.4	1.5/0.3
$\sigma_{x/y}$ [nm]	553/5	157/5	88/4.3
$\mathcal{L}(z > 0.8z_m)$	3.4	0.6	1.1
$[10^{34} \mathrm{cm}^{-2} \mathrm{s}^{-1}]$			

The Laser

Wavelength of powerful solid state lasers is in the $1\mu m$ range, e.g. Nd:YAG $\lambda = 1.06 \mu m$

$$(x = 4.5 \text{ for } \sqrt{s} = 500 \,\text{GeV})$$

(If really needed can double or triple frequency)

Laser focusing in diffraction limited region:



 \rightarrow cannot vary length and diameter of laser spot simultaneously

Optimum around $Z_R \approx \sigma_z \implies$ half opening angle of $\mathcal{O}(1^\circ)$

Fraction of converted electrons:

$$k = N_{\gamma}/N_e \approx 1 - \exp(-A/A_0)$$

A: pulse energy of laser

For $Z_R \approx \sigma_z$ and head on laser-beam collisions:

$$A_0 \approx \frac{\pi \hbar c \sigma_z}{\sigma_c} \approx 1.5 \mathrm{J}$$

 \Rightarrow need $A \approx 2J$ (corresponds to $\xi^2 \approx 0.2$) (for head on e^- -laser collisions)

 \Rightarrow total laser power of $\sim 2 \times 30 \,\mathrm{kW}$ needed

 $\Longrightarrow \sim 60$ Mercury lasers from the Livermore fusion program



However the number of used laser photons is negligible

Better idea: recycle laser pulses



Bunch spacing at TESLA $\approx 300 \mathrm{ns} \Rightarrow \mathrm{cavity} \ \mathrm{length} \approx 100 \, \mathrm{m}$ Basic idea:



- To have highly efficient mirrors need crossing angle beam-laser
- crossing angle results in smaller conversion probability
- laser divergence and therefore mirror size depends on Rayleigh length
- finite mirrors result in diffraction losses and broadening of the focus
- have to find optimum crossing angle/Rayleigh length
- \Rightarrow even higher laser power needed



Layout of the cavity



Diffraction losses are small even for small mirrors



telescopic cavity, magnification sqrt(3)

However diffraction broadening is serious



telescopic cavity, magnification sqrt(3)

Optimum for relatively small mirrors



Optimum parameters

LASER PARAMETERS	TDR pt. VI	THIS STUDY
Rayleigh length Z_R	0.35 mm	$0.63 \mathrm{mm}$
Collision angle α_0		$55.1 \mathrm{mrad}$
Laser energy A	5 J	9.0 J
pulse duration $\sigma_{L,z}$	$1.5 \mathrm{\ ps}$	$1.5 \mathrm{\ ps}$
nonlinearity parameter ξ^2	0.30	0.30
Total Luminosity $[10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}]$	1.10	1.05

TDR parameters can be reproduced

However mirror tolerances $\mathcal{O}(10\text{nm})$

Design of the laser resonator in the hall

Luminosity and Background

Special programs exist to calculate luminosity and background including

- multiple Compton scattering
- finite scattering angle
- \bullet non-linear effects
- coherent processes at IP (Beamstrahlung)
- non-coherent processes (large angle pairs)
- depolarisation effects

Backgrounds in the detector are calculated from

- \bullet direct hits
- backscattering from the mask
- neutrons from the beam dump

Energy disruption on the calorimeter face from one bunch crossing



More energy in the detector than in e^+e^- because of

- disruption from beam-laser interaction
- large crossing angle

Luminosity spectra for L = 0, 2 with $\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$ and $2\lambda_e = 0.85$



- Total $\gamma\gamma$ luminosity for $z > 0.8z_m$:
- Total $e\gamma$ luminosity for $z > 0.8z_m$:
- Total e^-e^- luminosity for z > 0.65:

 $\mathcal{L} = 1.1 \cdot 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ $\mathcal{L} = 0.9 \cdot 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ $\mathcal{L} = 0.07 \cdot 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

The Detector

- as much as possible the TDR e^+e^- detector should be used \rightarrow plot
- at low angles $\theta < 7^{\circ}$ a redesign is needed



- Need space for the pipes
- Tungsten mask to shield additional background
- Detector dead below $\theta = 7^{\circ}$



Background in the vertex detector



Similar as in e^+e^-

Background in the TPC:

Roughly factor two larger than in e^+e^-

 \Rightarrow still acceptable

Neutrons from dump:

Photons cannot be deflected electrically or magnetically

- there is a straight line from the IP to the dump
- 1 neutron/cm⁻²/bx \Rightarrow 10¹¹ neutrons/cm⁻²/year
- Marginally acceptable for CCD vertex detector

Low energy qq background

- Large luminosity and large cross section $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ at low \sqrt{s}
- $\rightarrow \mathcal{O}(1)$ event/bx overlaid to physics events (pileup)



- Additional help/complication: beamspot length $\sim 300 \mu m$
- \Rightarrow signal and pileup separated in z
 - microvertex detector can help to separate
 - $-\operatorname{can}$ screw up b-tagging, e.g. in Higgs analysis

Integrated Impact Parameter distribution for signal and pileup



Pileup gives also non negligible background in detector



 $\sqrt{s}
eq 500 \, ext{GeV}$:

 $\sqrt{s(\gamma\gamma)} \sim m_{\rm H} \sim 120 \,{\rm GeV}$:

- can run with $\lambda = 1.06 \mu \text{m}, \sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow x = 1.8$
- \implies high linear polarisation

• if really needed can run with frequency trippler $\Rightarrow x = 4.3$ ($\sqrt{s} = 160 \,\text{GeV}$)

 \implies worse linear polarisation, but better peaked spectrum

 $\sqrt{s} \sim 800 \,\mathrm{GeV}$:

- have to live with $\lambda = 1.06 \mu \text{m} \Rightarrow x = 7.1$
- However need $\xi^2 \approx 0.4$ to get high k^2
- $\Rightarrow x_{\text{eff}} = 1/(1+\xi^2) \sim 5 \text{ still acceptable}$

Can run all energies at TESLA with the same laser system

Conclusions

- TESLA offers the possibility to work as a $\gamma\gamma$ (or $e\gamma$) collider with $\sqrt{s(\gamma\gamma)} \le 0.8\sqrt{s(e^+e^-)}$
- The luminosity might be 20-30% of the e^+e^- luminosity
- \bullet Detector and beams of lower quality then in $\mathrm{e^+e^-}$
- However one should be aware that the photon collider is far from being guaranteed and some difficult problems need to be solved.