

# Designing a plasma lens for the ILC

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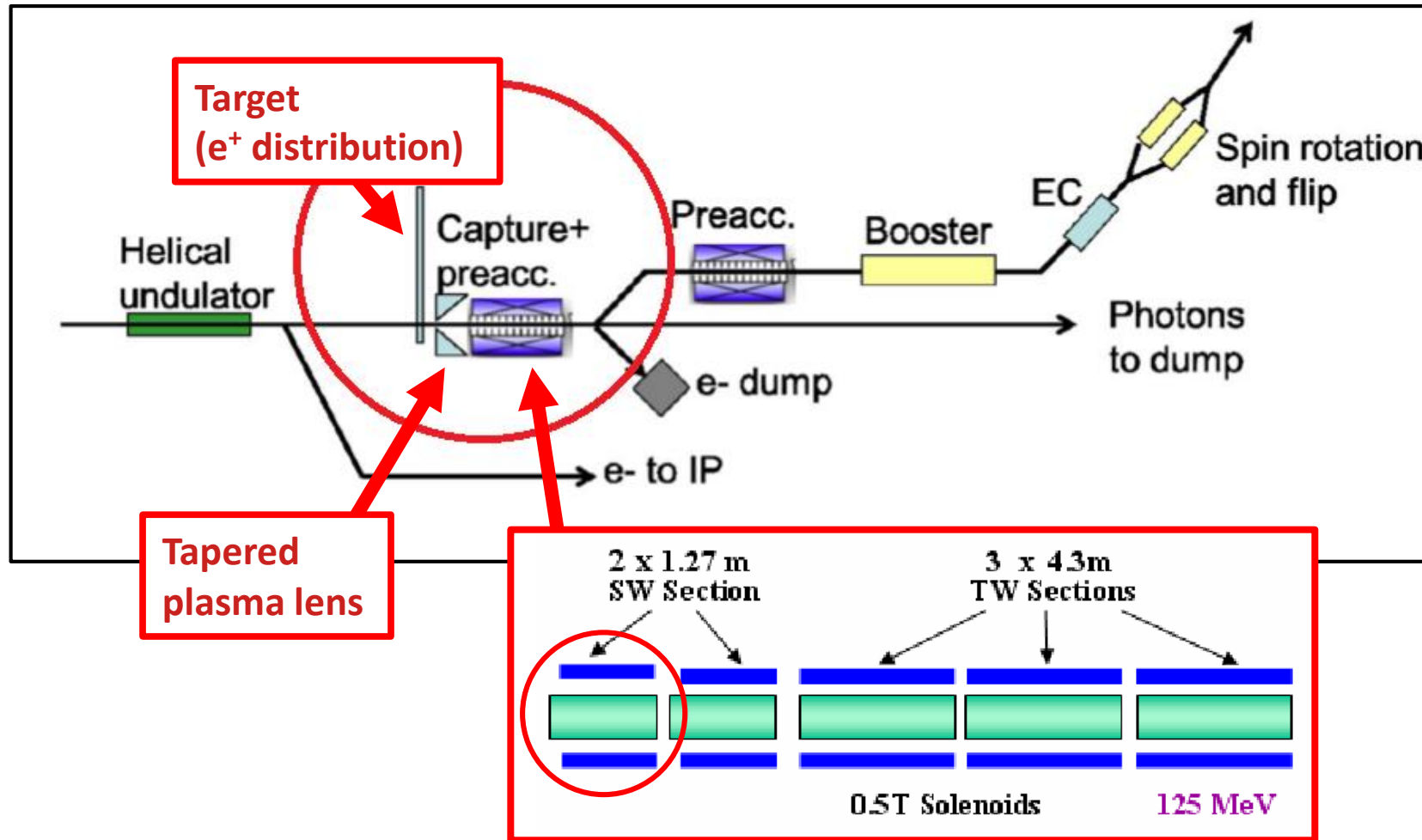
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# Overview

- Optical matching device
- Our case: Match positrons behind undulator source
- Using common positron distribution for ILC  $e^+$  source (priv. comm. M. Fukuda)
- All simulations based on ASTRA code (K. Flöttmann)
- Space Charge neglected!
- Goal: Alternative to quarter wave transformer

# Components



Sources: 1) J.W. Wang. POSITRON INJECTOR ACCELERATOR AND RF SYSTEM FOR THE ILC\*. 2007.  
2) F Dietrich. Status of the undulator-based ILC positron source. 2019.

# Damping Ring acceptances

- Energy acceptances
  - Longitudinal cut:  $\pm 7$  mm  
taken from M. Fukuda
- Other additional Cuts e.g. emittance cut
  - Future research

Positron Energy	5 GeV
Dynamic Aperture	<0.07 mrad
Energy Acceptance	0.75 %
Longitudinal Acceptances	3.4 x 37.5 cm-MeV
Longitudinal Emittance	0.75 x 33 % x mm

Source: M; Barish B; Buesser K Adolphsen, c; Barone. Technical Design Report | Volume 3.i: Accelerator RD. 2013.

# Simulations

- Optimize  $e^+$  yield after longitudinal cut
  - Scan parameters independently
  - → iterative process
- Practically limited electric current  $I_0$
- → 3000 A and 5000 A

	symbol
Plasma lens length	$Z_{\max}$
Opening radius	$R_0$
Tapering order	$n$
Tapering strength	$g$
Plasma lens- standing wave tube distance	$d$
Electric current	$I_0$
SWT starting phase	$\phi_0$

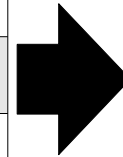


$$R(z) = R_0(1 + gz)^n$$

Plasma lens radius  
along beam line

# Optimization Results

	symbol	value	unit
Plasma lens length	$Z_{\max}$	6	cm
Opening radius	$R_0$	3.8	mm
Tapering order	$n$	1	1
Tapering strength	$g$	136	$m^{-1}$
PL-SWT distance	$d$	1	cm
Electric current	$I_0$	3000	A
SWT starting phase	$\varphi_0$	220	deg

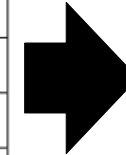


After longitudinal cut (14 mm):  
**41.7 %** of 42917 e<sup>+</sup>

# Optimum Stability

- Simulation with a deviation of  $\pm 10\%$  of each ideal parameter:

Stability	-10 % deviation	+10 % deviation
Distance PL-SWT	+0.2 % yield	-0.2 % yield
Plasma lens length	-0.3 % yield	-0.2 % yield
Phase	-0.5 % yield	-0.4 % yield
Tapering strength	-0.2 % yield	-0.3 % yield
Opening radius	-0.1 % yield	-1.1 % yield
Current strength	-1.5 % yield	+1.2 % yield



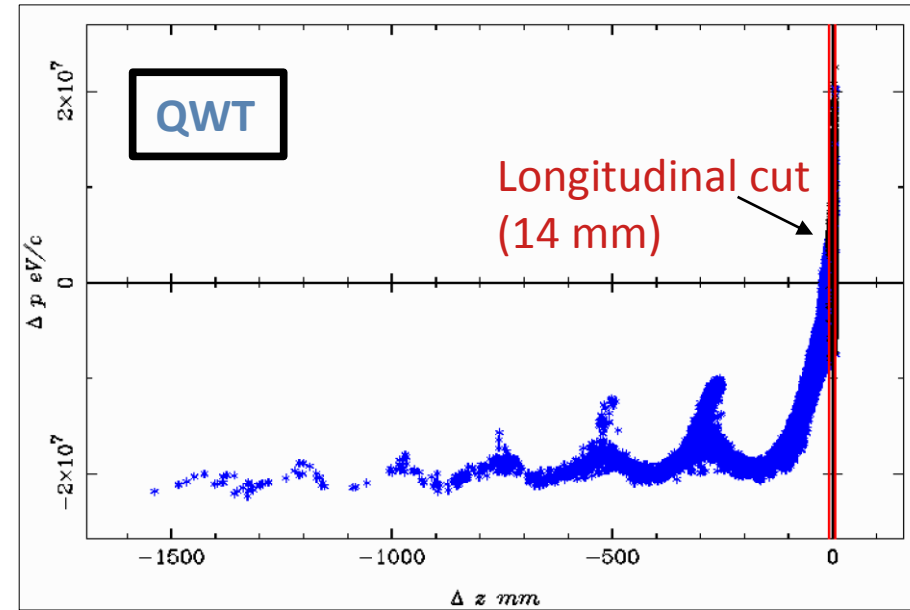
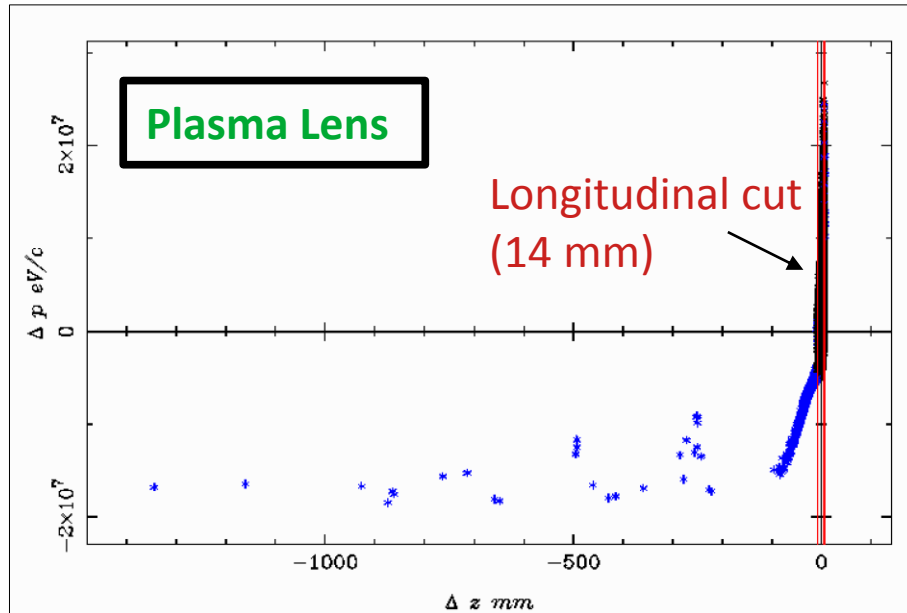
**Stable  
maximum!**

Table 4: Table of absolute positron yield change for a deviation of 10% for each ideal parameter

- Further optimization:
  - PL-SWT distance
  - Current strength (limited in practice)



# Comparison with Quarter Wave Transformer



Current ILC OMD design:

- Quarter Wave Transformer
- Simulations redone in ASTRA:
  - Yield after longitudinal Cut: 17.5 %
  - $\rightarrow$  factor  $\sim 2.4$  less yield

# Conclusion and future plans

- Plasma lens has high potential
- Positron yield roughly factor 2 better than QWT
- Current ILC plan: 4y prelab phase (starting April 2022)
  - > needed for engineering design and final design choices
- Final selection of positron source (undulator-based versus electron-driven e+ source): foreseen in fall 2024
- Simulation with entire pre-accelerator structure
- Pulsed solenoid (see P. Sievers)
- QWT: Allowed magnetic field at Target
- German grant application submitted for prototyping of plasma lenses for the ILC e+ source
  - -> if approved: grant starts mid 2021, results expected 2023/begin 2024
  - -> impact on final ILC design

# Further information

- Plasma Lenses: Possible alternative OMD at the ILC, [2003.03138.pdf \(arxiv.org\)](#)
- Upcoming master thesis M. Formela

Thank you for your  
attention!

# Results

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Specify total bunch length after cut [mm]: 14
Particles taken into account      N =      17886
total charge                      Q =      2.8657E-06 nC
horizontal beam position          x =      0.1159   mm
vertical beam position            y =     -5.1233E-02 mm
longitudinal beam position        z =      1.344   m
horizontal beam size              sig x =     10.04   mm
vertical beam size                sig y =     10.02   mm
longitudinal beam size            sig z =      3.116   mm
average kinetic energy            E =      16.29   MeV
energy spread                     dE =     4328.   keV
average momentum                  P =      16.80   MeV/c
transverse beam emittance         eps x =     9742.   pi mrad mm
correlated divergence             cor x =      3.281   mrad
transverse beam emittance         eps y =     9806.   pi mrad mm
correlated divergence             cor y =      3.161   mrad
longitudinal beam emittance       eps z =     1.1751E+04 pi keV mm
correlated energy spread          cor z =      2123.   keV
emittance ratio eps y/eps x      =      0.9935
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