OPTIMIZING A NONLINEAR COLLIMATION SYSTEM FOR FUTURE LINEAR COLLIDERS*

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Abstract

Experience indicates that beam collimation will be an essential element of the next generation e^+e^- linear colliders. A proposal for using nonlinear lenses to drive beam tails to large amplitudes was presented in a previous paper [1]. Here we study the optimization of such systems including effects of wakefields and optical aberrations. Protection and design of the scrapers in these systems are discussed.

I. INTRODUCTION

Experience with the SLC has indicated that backgrounds caused by transverse and energy tails of the beam distribution will be a fundamental problem of next generation linear colliders. Any collimation design must satisfy the following requirements:

1. It must provide an effective scraping despite the small (of the order of a micron) beam sizes. It should scrape particles with transverse positions greater than 5σ in both planes as well as energy tails.
2. It must protect scrapers against mis-steered beams which may hit them and possibly damage them. There are two problems associated with a train of ten bunches of 10^{10} electrons per bunch at 250 GeV hitting a scraper [2]. The first problem occurs at the surface of the scraper which may melt because of energy deposited in a small area. More quantitatively we are interested in the largest spot size to cause failure of the scraper surface. If failure is defined as the melting temperature of the material, then for Ti, which is one of the best candidates according to SLC experience, the area to cause failure is [2]

$$\sigma_x \sigma_y \approx 900 \mu\text{m}^2 \quad (1)$$

The second problem occurs within the body of the scraper where the energy deposition from the shower peaks, typically at several radiation lengths (RL) (≈ 8 RL for Ti).

3. It must keep scraper-induced wakefield kicks on the beam below a tolerable level. If the beam does not pass exactly through the middle of the scrapers, it gets transverse deflections due to geometric and resistive wall wakefields. If these kicks are comparable to the angular divergence of the beam, the emittance will increase.

An expression for the kick of the beam due to geometric wakefields which includes the effect of both edges of a scraper has been derived analytically and verified numerically [3] under the assumptions that the scraper gap is small compared to the scraper length, and the bunch length σ_z is greater than or equal to the scraper gap. It is also assumed that the transverse deflection of a particle is produced by the dipole wakefield only and hence it is proportional to $\Delta(y)/g$ where $\Delta(y)$ is the beam offset from the middle of the scrapers and $2g$ is the scraper gap. This expression is given by

$$\Delta y' = \theta_{\text{max}} (\Delta(y)/g) \quad (2)$$

$$\text{where } \theta_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{8/\pi} [(Nr_e)/(\gamma\sigma_z)] \quad (3)$$

N is the beam intensity and $\gamma = E/mc^2$. Using typical parameters for the Next Linear Collider (NLC), namely $N = 1 \times 10^{10}$ particles per bunch, $\sigma_z = 75 \mu\text{m}$, $E = 250$ GeV, we arrive at

$$\Delta y' = 1.2 \times 10^{-6} (\Delta(y)/g) \text{ rad} \quad (4)$$

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To reduce the effect of the geometric wakefield kick, one can taper the scrapers with a taper angle θ_{tap} . ($\theta_{\text{tap}} = \pi/2$ for a step scraper.) For small taper angles ($\theta_{\text{tap}} < 100$ mrad) the dependence on the taper angle is linear [4,5],

$$\Delta y' \approx 2\theta_{\text{tap}} \theta_{\text{max}} (\Delta(y)/g) \quad (5)$$

The kick due to the resistive wall wakefield is proportional to $\Delta(y)/g^3$. Specifically it is given by

$$\Delta y' = C_{\text{max}} (\Delta(y)/g^3) L_{\text{scr}} \quad (6)$$

where L_{scr} is the scraper length,

$$C_{\text{max}} = (4/\pi) (Nr_e/\gamma) [(c/\sigma)/l]^{1/2} f(s) \quad (7)$$

σ is the conductivity of the material, $l = 2\sigma_z$, and $f(s)$ is a function of the longitudinal coordinate within the bunch, varying between 0 and 1. For typical NLC parameters and for a scraper made of Ti,

$$\Delta y' = 0.85 \times 10^{-13} (\Delta(y)/g^3) L_{\text{scr}} \text{ rad} \quad (8)$$

The function $f(s)$ has been approximated by 1/2 to account for the head to tail variation of the wakefield. For small gaps this is the dominant wakefield effect.

On the basis of the above issues we have demonstrated [6] that mechanical collimation is precluded for the vertical degree of freedom as a workable collimation technique for the NLC. In the following section we present the nonlinear collimation scheme as a possible alternative. We first write the conditions that must be satisfied. These conditions determine a set of lattice parameters for the collimation systems. Then we present a possible lattice design, calculate its tolerances and discuss our ideas on energy collimation.

II. NONLINEAR COLLIMATION IN THE NLC: SCHEME WITH SKEW SEXTUPOLE PAIRS

The basic idea [1,6] is to use several nonlinear lenses to drive the tails of the beam distribution to large amplitudes where they can be scraped mechanically. In the NLC collimation is proposed to be done mechanically in the horizontal plane and nonlinearly in the vertical plane (scheme with skew sextupole pairs). The horizontal scrapers will be placed at high horizontal beta function points, interleaved with the vertical scrapers. Energy scraping takes place right after transverse scraping. A schematic representation of the collimation section of the NLC is shown in Fig. 1.

The collimation design must satisfy all of the following conditions.

- a. It must scrape transverse tails beyond 5σ in both planes.
- b. It must scrape energy tails.
- c. Resistive wall wakes at both horizontal and vertical scrapers must be controlled.
- d. Geometric wakes at both horizontal and vertical scrapers must be controlled.
- e. Geometric and resistive wall wakes at the sextupoles must be controlled.
- f. Long sextupole aberrations must be controlled.
- g. It must ensure protection of horizontal, vertical and energy scrapers.
- h. Stability tolerances on sextupole and scraper offsets must be acceptable.
- i. The collimation systems must not create unacceptable optical aberrations.

Next we elaborate on each of the above conditions and thus arrive at the allowed design parameters of the collimation system.

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Figure 1. Schematic representation of the collimation systems in the NLC, located between the linac and final focus (FF). S stands for skew sextupole; x,y,E stand for horizontal, vertical and energy scraper respectively.

Scraping in the vertical plane

This condition implies that particles whose vertical coordinates are greater or equal to $5\sigma_y$ at the sextupole must be mapped into vertical positions greater or equal to g_y at the scraper,

$$\Delta y_{scr} (|y_{sext}| \geq 5\sigma_{y,sext}) \geq g_y \quad (9)$$

A 5σ particle at the skew sextupole will experience a kick

$$\Delta y'_{sext} = S(5\sigma_y)^2 \quad (10)$$

where S is the integrated sextupole strength. This kick will in turn give rise to an offset at the scraper

$$\Delta y_{scr} = R_{12} \Delta y'_{sext} \quad (11)$$

where R is the transfer matrix between sextupole and scraper. Combining the above equations we arrive at the condition

$$25S\epsilon_y R_{12}\beta_{sext} \geq g_y \quad (12)$$

Resistive wall wakes at the vertical scrapers

As we showed earlier the resistive wall wakefield kick at the scraper is given by

$$\Delta y'_{scr} = C_{max} (\Delta y_{scr}/g_y^3) L_{scr} \quad (13)$$

which becomes at the downstream sextupole

$$\Delta y_{sext} = R_{12} \Delta y'_{scr} \quad (14)$$

An offset through the skew sextupole gives rise to a normal quadrupole kick of magnitude

$$\Delta y'_{sext} = (2S\Delta y_{sext}) y \quad (15)$$

We require that the rms value of these kicks be less than $1/5\sigma'_y$ (to avoid unacceptable longitudinal jitter of the final focal point),

$$(2S\Delta y_{sext}) y_{rms} \leq (1/5)\sigma'_y \quad (16)$$

We wish to allow a 1σ jitter of the incoming beam centroid, hence we take

$$\Delta y_{scr} = \sigma_{y,scr} \quad (17)$$

in eq. (16), which combined with eqs. (13) and (14) gives

$$2SC_{max} \epsilon_y^{1/2} R_{12}^2 L_{scr} \beta_{sext}^{1/2} \leq (1/5) g_y^3 \quad (18)$$

Long sextupole aberrations

The potential for long-sextupole aberrations is given by [7,8]

$$V_{LS} = (1/12) S^2 L_{sext} y^4 \quad (19)$$

assuming small horizontal beam size. Therefore the long-sextupole kick is

$$\Delta y' = (1/3) S^2 L y^3 \quad (20)$$

and we require

$$(\Delta y')_{rms} \leq (1/5) \sigma'_y \quad (21)$$

This leads to the condition

$$(5\sqrt{15}/3) S^2 L_{sext} \epsilon_y \beta_{y,sext}^2 \leq 1 \quad (22)$$

For the two sextupoles of the $-I$ transformation, the above equation determines the maximum allowed vertical β -function, $\beta_{y,sext} \leq 23,000$ m. In deriving this, we have assumed a pole-tip field of 1 Tesla, pole-tip radius of 1 mm, and sextupole length of 10 cm.

Equations (12), (18), and the long sextupole aberration limit determine the parameter space for the vertical plane, once the values of R_{12} and L_{scr} are specified. The scraper length was chosen to be equal to 3 RL of Ti, namely

11.3 cm. To arrive at this value we used the code EGS [9] to calculate the number of electrons that make it through the 3 RL of Ti, with energies between 245 and 250 GeV. We found that one out of 10^{12} electrons belongs to this energy bin. Although more accurate EGS calculations should be performed, these preliminary results indicate that 3 RL of Ti change the beam energy sufficiently in order for subsequent energy scraping to collimate the beam.

The value of R_{12} is directly related to the total length of the system and hence it should be kept minimum. For $R_{12} = 50$ m (which corresponds to a length between sextupole and scraper of about 30 m), and an 11.3 cm long scraper we plotted the above equations in Fig. 2. The region A enclosed by the three curves corresponds to the allowed space. Now we can choose the parameters of the collimation design in the vertical plane: $\beta_{y,sext} = 6,000$ m and $g_y = 90 \mu\text{m}$. For this choice of parameters the geometric wakefield condition at the vertical scrapers is satisfied. We need however to taper the beam pipe at the sextupoles by a 15 mrad angle. The resistive wall wakefield condition is satisfied at the sextupoles.

Horizontal considerations

An important consideration that determines the x -plane parameters is the $x-y$ coupling at the sextupoles. To minimize coupling effects we must ensure that at the sextupoles,

$$S y^2 \gg S x^2 \quad (23)$$

which establishes a condition on β_x at the sextupoles,

$$\beta_{x,sext} \ll \beta_{y,sext} (\epsilon_x/\epsilon_y) \quad (24)$$

In our case, $\beta_{x,sext} \ll 60$ m. If we place the horizontal scrapers at a relatively high β_y point, i.e., at $\beta_y \approx 600$ m, then in order to ensure scraper protection, β_x at this point must be greater than 1400 m. In fact we chose $\beta_{x,scr} = 2,000$ m, which implies a scraper gap of $700 \mu\text{m}$ for $5\sigma_x$ scraping. Once the β -function at the scraper is fixed, the β -function at the sextupoles follows, $\beta_{x,sext} = 0.1$ m.

We now address the question of geometric and resistive wall wakefields at the horizontal scrapers. Again here both wakefield kicks must be below $1/5\sigma'_x$. These conditions are simultaneously satisfied if the horizontal scrapers, assumed 10-cm long, are tapered by an angle of 30 mrad. Each tapered section of the scrapers is then 15-cm long. Finally, the horizontal geometric wakefield condition at the sextupoles is satisfied.

Lattice—energy collimation

A lattice design which satisfies the above specifications is presented in Fig. 3. It starts with a $-I$ transformation where horizontal and vertical scraping of the first phase space direction takes place. This is followed by a 2π section dedicated to energy collimation. Next there is a $3\pi/2$ in the horizontal plane and $\pi/2$ in the vertical plane transformer section. A phase advance of $\pi/2$ in both planes would have been possible at the expense of considerable increase in length. The last section of the line is identical to the first one. It is used to scrape the second phase space direction and energy again. The total length of the system is about 500 m.

Figure 2. Parameter space for nonlinear collimation with sextupoles.

Energy collimation is done by transforming off-energy particles to large amplitude ones through the introduction of horizontal dispersion. There are two scrapers in each energy scraping section placed at high dispersion points. The horizontal and vertical β functions at these locations are the same as the ones at the horizontal scrapers. Both energy scrapers consist of a thin (≈ 3 RL) and a thick part (≈ 20 RL). The thin part will be responsible for the primary beam energy collimation. By making it thin we bypass protection problems that occur within the body of the scraper. The role of the thick part will be to absorb the debris from both horizontal and energy collimation that has occurred upstream.

Furthermore, each of the two energy collimation sections includes a normal sextupole pair forming a $-I$ transformation. Their function is to correct the horizontal chromaticity. To correct the vertical chromaticity a small amount of vertical dispersion has been added to the lattice at the skew sextupoles. Simulations show that this entire lattice demonstrates an excellent behavior with respect to chromatic and chromo-geometric aberrations in both transverse planes.

Stability tolerance on scraper offset

In deriving some of the above conditions, we have assumed that the offset through the middle of the scraper is of the order of the beam size. Since the beam size at the vertical scrapers is $0.20 \mu\text{m}$, the stability tolerance on the scraper offset is also $0.20 \mu\text{m}$.

From eq. (8) one can estimate an absolute steering tolerance by requiring that

$$(\Delta y)_{rw} \leq (1/5) \sigma'_{y,scr} \quad (25)$$

and solving for Δy . It turns out that this tolerance is $7.4 \mu\text{m}$.

Stability tolerance on sextupole offsets

In order to get some insight into the question of tolerances we derive a general result for the tolerance on the sextupole offset. If we combine the scraping condition eq. (12) with the requirement that the quadrupole-like kick due to the sextupole offset $y_{0,sext}$ must satisfy eq. (16), we arrive at

$$y_{0,sext} \leq (5/2) [(R_{12} \epsilon_y)/g_y] \quad (26)$$

Figure 3. Optics design for the collimation systems in the NLC.

Notice that the only parameters that can affect this offset tolerance are effectively the length of the system (via R_{12}) and the scraper gap. For our choice of parameters this tolerance is $0.14 \mu\text{m}$.

Protection of scrapers

As we mentioned in the Introduction there are two problems associated with a train of bunches hitting the scrapers: the first occurs at the surface of the scraper while the second occurs in the body of the scraper. The surface of the scrapers is protected by design. More precisely, at the horizontal scrapers the area occupied by one σ of the beam is $1100 \mu\text{m}^2$, beyond the $900 \mu\text{m}^2$ limit quoted earlier.

At the vertical scraper, on the other hand, one can calculate the scraper area on which $1\sigma_x \times 1\sigma_y$ particles at the sextupoles are mapped, if the beam is mis-steered by an amount greater than 5σ . It turns out to be $4,400 \mu\text{m}^2$, far beyond the $900 \mu\text{m}^2$ limit.

The problem of the body of the scrapers is solved by making the scrapers short, 3 RL of the material.

III. CONCLUSIONS

We presented a possible collimation scheme for a TeV linear collider which employs mechanical collimation for the horizontal plane and nonlinear collimation (scheme with skew sextupole pairs) for the vertical. This design succeeds in satisfying all of the requirements imposed on collimation systems, including effective collimation of transverse and energy tails, control of wakefield effects, protection of scrapers, and control of geometric and chromatic aberrations. The stability tolerances at the scrapers and sextupoles are similar to those occurring in the NLC Final Focus system; given the precision of the beam position monitors envisioned for an NLC, these tolerances should not rule out nonlinear collimation as a candidate for beam scraping in a future linear collider.

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