The International Linear Collider

A 250 – 500 GeV e^+e^- collider, upgradeable to 1 TeV (and running at the Z pole and WW threshold), offers significant opportunity to extend our understanding of EW symmetry breaking and physics beyond the SM.
Why Lepton Colliders?

Compared to hadron colliders, the events are “clean” – one observes just the hard process, without extra particles produced by spectators in the primary collision, and without pileup from additional collisions during the bunch crossing.

\[ e^+e^- \rightarrow Z(\mu\mu)H(bb) \text{ at ILC} \]

\[ gg \rightarrow H(\gamma\gamma) (+ X) \text{ at LHC} \]
Why Lepton Colliders?

Interesting processes are a large fraction of the total rate. Various signal cross sections are similar. Backgrounds are typically not a big problem. No trigger is required.

ILC: $e^+e^- \rightarrow HZ$ is 1% of $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$

LHC: $pp \rightarrow H W/Z$ is $10^{-9}$ of $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

Backgrounds for hadron production are huge. Multi-level triggers must be used and calibrated.
Why Lepton Colliders?

- The partonic collision energy in $e^+e^-$ is nearly a $\delta$-function at $2E_{bm}$ rather than a convolution over PDFs.

- The virtual $\gamma/Z$ intermediate state tells us that the final state quantum numbers are $J^{PC} = 1^-$. 

- $e^+$ and $e^-$ can be polarized (in ILC, $P(e^-) = \pm 80\%$ and $P(e^+) = \pm 30\%$). Since at high energies, right- and left-handed fermions are distinct particles, one can enhance signal processes or suppress backgrounds by the choice of beam polarization.

- Cross sections in $e^+e^-$ can be calculated to $\mathcal{O}(0.1\%)$ accuracy; unlike in QCD, higher order terms are small. This means that the sensitivity to new physics at high mass scales is enhanced.

Lepton and hadron colliders have complementary roles. For example

- Hadrons containing heavy quarks ($b$, $c$, $t$) discovered at hadron colliders but their precision properties were explored at $e^+e^-$ colliders

- We inferred the presence of the Higgs boson from precision $e^+e^-$ colliders but discovered it at a hadron collider
Circular vs. Linear Lepton Colliders

Synchrotron radiation grows rapidly with E

\[ \Delta E/\text{turn} \sim \frac{(E/m)^4}{R} \] (synchrotron radiation)

e.g. LEP2: \( \Delta E = 3.4 \text{ GeV/turn} \rightarrow P_{\text{loss}} \sim 20 \text{ MW} \)

- New high gradient Superconducting RF allows going beyond LEP – e.g. in 350 GeV circular FCC/TLEP collider with 81 km circumference, each particle loses 9.3 GeV per turn that has to be made up with \( \sim 100 \text{ MW} \) of RF.

- In a Linear Collider, go to long, single-pass linacs to reach desired energy. Collide the beams just once (but electrons are cheap!). But the full energy has to be made on one traverse of the machine rather than in multiple passes, so need more RF in the LC and RF is expensive. (The tunnel length in a 350 GeV circular machine is 2x longer than for same energy linear machine.)

- The beamstrahlung losses (radiation in the field of the other beam) are similar for circular and linear \( e^+e^- \) machines. But in the circular machines, the lower energy electrons fail to stay in orbit, so the beam lifetime is \( \sim 1 \) minute and a second full energy accelerator is needed to top-up the beams continuously.

- \( L \) falls with \( E_{\text{cm}} \) in circular collider; grows with \( E_{\text{cm}} \) in linear collider.

- A circular muon storage ring is immune to synchrotron radiation. \( m_\mu \sim 200m_e \)
**The ILC machine**

**Electron source:** polarized laser on GaAs cathode gives >80% $e^-$ polarization

**Positron source:** Pass $e^-$ beam at 150 GeV through helical undulator; polarized $\gamma$'s on target make $e^+$ with 30% polarization. Collect the $e^+$ and send to Damping Ring. The $e^-$ pass on to IR.

**Damping Rings:** To get the final 6 nm beam heights at IR, reduce the large emittance of $e^+$ and $e^-$ beams by $\mathcal{O}(10^5)$ in 5 GeV DRs using wigglers to radiate $\gamma$'s. Recover longitudinal momentum with RF acceleration.

The 1312 beam bunches (554 ns apart) occupy ~200 km, so fold the bunches into $\Delta t$=6 ns in 3.2 km circumference DRs. Kick the bunches back out with fast rise time magnet to restore desired bunch structure.

Special mitigation strategies needed to reduce electron cloud in $e^+$ DR.
The ILC machine – main linac

7400 superconducting 9 cell pure Nb RF cavities (1m long) in each linac to provide acceleration to 250 GeV, at frequency =1.3 GHz (L-band). Require 35 MV/m in vertical test (31.5 MV/m average as installed in linac).

Assemble 9 cavities (or 8 + quadrupole) in cryomodule

Test strings of cryomodules now in KEK and FNAL.

The DESY XFEL and SLAC LCLS-II now under construction are driving the industrialization of the cavities/cryomodules
The ILC site

Work now underway to make the design specific to the planned site in northern Japan. Some simplifications made (2 → 1 tunnel, allow for LHC style vertical access, increase tunnel length by 10% for energy overhead).

Collision hall allows for two detectors – one on beam and other in garage. Push/pull the detectors every ~month.
ILC Machine – high level parameters

Initial ILC: $\sqrt{s} = 250 – 500$ GeV
Later can extend to 1000 GeV (lengthen tunnel, new higher gradient RF) and if desired, go down to $\sqrt{s} = M_Z$ and $2M_W$.

Run scenario: Initial set $500 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ @ } 500$ GeV, $200 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ @ } 350$ GeV and $500 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ @ } 250$ GeV, followed by luminosity upgrade and runs $3500, 1500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

About 20 years for full program including the initial learning curve and the luminosity upgrade.

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Cost is well understood, but high – $7.8B (FY2013)$ for materials and supplies (no contingency, escalation), 13,000 person-years of labor at collaborating institutions.

Thus, broad international collaboration is essential.
ILC Detectors

Primary design goals

1. Hermetic coverage for calorimetry (θ > 2.6°) and tracking (θ > 8°)

2. Jet energy resolution good enough to distinguish W→qq’ and Z→qq.

**Particle Flow method:** Build calorimetry with very fine transverse and longitudinal segmentation, small X₀ & Moliere radius, so as to distinguish showers due to different particles. Ignore calorimeter clusters associated with charged particles and instead use the more precise track momentum. Calorimeter is used for γs and neutral hadrons.

*Need jet δE/E ~ 3– 4%*

This dictates that calorimeters are inside the solenoid magnet coil.

3. Track momentum resolution: \( \delta p_T/p_T^2 = 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \) (at high momentum). For example measure recoil Higgs mass in ZH production with \( Z \rightarrow \mu\mu \). (Can measure H decaying to invisible particles.)
4. Vertex detectors: Precise determination of separated vertices for b, c, τ identification. For example measurements of Higgs BRs to each particle species. 

\[ \delta d = 5 \mu m + 10 \frac{\mu m/p(GeV)}{p} \sin^{3/2} \theta \]

5. Minimize dead material in supports, cooling, cables etc. The ILC beam structure and low event rate permits reading out the full bunch train information at 5 Hz. During the quiet time between trains, lower the front end electronics voltages to reduce heat load (power pulsing). Provide a time stamp in individual detectors to specify which bunch within the train the information comes from.

1312 bunches in 0.7 ms

No beam for 200 ms

Material in beam pipe, Vtx det, tracker
# ILD and SiD Detectors

604.2 cm

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* 5 T, 6.2 m dia

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* 3.5 T, 6.9 m dia
Detector performance

Full simulations (GEANT4) with all supports, cable plants, cooling, electronics. Simulations checked against test beam data.

SiD tracking resolution

ILD jet energy resolution

ILD: 4 jet WW vs. ZZ final states separated

SiD flavor tagging efficiency for $Z \rightarrow bb$ vs. $cc$ and light quark backgrounds

Both detectors meet/exceed specifications
Physics program – Higgs

ILC Higgs production:
For $\sqrt{s} < 250, 350$ GeV, $ee \rightarrow ZH$ dominates. Can measure the $Z$ precisely, so ‘see’ all decay modes of the recoiling Higgs, including invisible modes, and measure their BRs.

At 500 GeV, $WW$ fusion of Higgs dominates.

For Higgs produced in collisions of AA and decay to BB, measured $\sigma \times \text{BR}$ is

$$\sim g_A^2 \left( \frac{g_B^2}{\Gamma_{\text{tot}}} \right) \sim \text{BR}(H \rightarrow AA) \times \text{BR}(H \rightarrow BB) \times \Gamma_{\text{tot}}$$

where $\Gamma_{\text{tot}}$ is the total Higgs width ($\sim 4$ MeV).

At LHC, cannot measure $\Gamma_{\text{tot}}$ (cannot see all decay modes and mass resolution not good enough to resolve width directly).

At ILC, measure $\sigma \times \text{BR}(XX)$ in $WW$ fusion with decay to $XX$. Know the $\text{BR}(WW)$ and $\text{BR}(XX)$ from recoil Higgs in $ZH$ production and thus measure $\Gamma_{\text{tot}}$.

Thus can measure all Higgs couplings, $g_X$ at ILC.
Physics program – Higgs

New physics alters the couplings from their SM values. The patterns of changes from SM differ for different New Physics models.

The differences between SM and new physics for allowed model parameter values is a few %, so one desires precision at the <1% level.

Assume \( \Gamma_{\text{tot}} \) is SM value and no unseen decays so as to compare LHC (green) and ILC (red/yellow). Blue bars require combined LHC and ILC.

Running at 550 instead of 500 GeV would halve \( \delta k_t \).

Measure Higgs self coupling to 27% at 500 GeV; to 16% at 1 TeV.
The top quark is unique among QCD objects in that it decays before the non-perturbative effects of hadronization occur. Thus it is an ideal laboratory for studies of QCD free of such effects.

ILC threshold scan measures the ‘1S’ pole mass, which is well defined theoretically and can be converted to the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass. (At hadron colliders, measure the MC mass whose theoretical meaning is uncertain at the level of $\sim 1$ GeV)

$\delta m_t = 17 \text{ MeV}$ (but NNNLO theory uncertainty $\sim 50$ MeV) $\delta \Gamma_t = 26 \text{ MeV}$

Current values of $m_t$ and $M_H$ make the running quartic term in the Higgs potential negative at large $Q^2$, thus producing a new minimum in potential and a metastable universe.

A precision top mass would give an interesting take on the instability of the SM universe (but leave the question of why we live in a universe so close to instability?)
Physics program – top quark

The s-channel production of $t\bar{t}$ pairs by $\gamma$ and $Z$ interfere differently for left and right polarizations of incoming $e^+$ and $e^-$, producing F-B and polarization asymmetries.

Studying the production of $t\bar{t}$ with different beam polarizations allows the determination of the couplings of the $Z$ (and $\gamma$) to the distinct L and R top quarks. Deviations of these couplings from the SM values are different for different new physics models. The LHC resolution is comparable to the size of these deviations. The ILC resolution is much smaller than the deviations.

Angular distributions of the top quark for different beam polarizations.

Fractional L and R top –Z couplings with expected error ellipses for LHC and ILC. The purple dots are predictions of different NP models.
The masses of the Higgs boson, top quark and W boson masses are inextricably connected. Their relationship is a bellwether test of the SM.

- Running the ILC at the WW pair threshold should enable the W mass measurement to 4x better than the current world average.

- At the ILC, measure top quark mass 5x better than current world average and we will know what this mass means theoretically.

ILC top and W measurements shown at the current central values. Lack of intersection of top–W ellipse with Higgs mass line would unambiguously signal New Physics.
We think of the LHC as the discovery machine for new heavy particles, but ILC will surpass it in many sectors. ILC can sense departures in $e^+e^- \rightarrow ff$ that are sensitive to new very massive states. Advantages for ILC new physics studies include:

- Particles without strong interactions are better produced in lepton colliders (e.g. Supersymmetry gauginos, higgsinos, sleptons).
- Smaller backgrounds to new physics (and calculable) than LHC.
- Study with both L and R handed beam particles, thus improving the sensitivity of many searches and help in fixing backgrounds.
- ILC can do a threshold scan to obtain high precision mass and quantum number measurements.
Dark Matter may be sensed through radiation of gluons from initial state quarks (LHC), or photons from initial state electrons (ILC). Similar processes for nearly invisible particles (e.g. Higgsinos).

At LHC, these radiative processes have large backgrounds and are typically swamped.

At ILC, no trigger needed, so soft radiated photons can be seen, and backgrounds are small. If DM particle is close in mass to a charged particle C, the low energy decay pion in \( C \rightarrow DM \pi \) can also be seen leading to reconstruction of the DM.

ILC (500 GeV) measurements of L- and R-handed couplings for \( Z' \rightarrow ff \) can tell us what kind of \( Z' \) is being produced. (Factor of 1.5 – 2 more reach than LHC)

We long for discovery of new physics at LHC! The ILC can then tell us what it is.
In summary

- $e^+e^-$ and hadron colliders have traditionally provided complementary information.

- The Higgs discovery raises important questions for which ILC is needed.

- New information from the Intensity Frontier and Cosmic frontier will pose further questions (e.g. Majorana neutrinos, observation of dark matter in scattering from nuclei or annihilation in the sun).

- A $e^+e^-$ collider need not be as high in $\sqrt{s}$ as LHC to compete, but higher energy than can be reached in circular $e^+e^-$ machine is needed (top mass and couplings, searches for new phenomena, Higgs self couplings …).

- Possibilities for drive beam RF (CLIC), very large circular $e^+e^-$ machines in China or CERN, muon colliders exist but none is yet technically ready to be built.

- The existence of a solid technical design, detectors that can achieve the physics goals, and a nation that is interested in hosting is a powerful argument for ILC.

- Strong support in strategy documents from all regions for ILC in Japan.