

ICS Simulations

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- ICS as alternative option for γ -laser collisions: Narrow bandwidth gives better knowledge of initial state of NBW process \Rightarrow better reconstruction of the strong-field QED interaction
- Need $\chi_\gamma = \frac{1.95\omega\omega_L}{m^2}\xi \sim 1$, thus photon energy $\omega \approx 9 \dots 10$ GeV
- Frequency tripled/doubled laser for ICS
- Requires bigger laser \Rightarrow can only be operated in phase-1
- \Rightarrow Timescale for important decisions and precise physics simulations?
- At least basic design decisions need to be made until TDR

What are the most important characteristics of the ICS for LUXE?

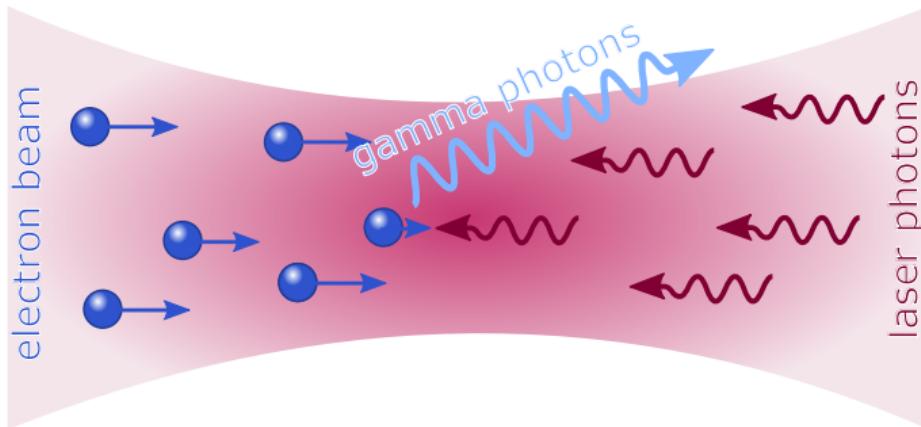
What is the needed level of accuracy in the simulations?

What needs to be precisely simulated?

What can be estimated/modeled?

- ICS simulations need to provide a gamma-photon-beam which can be used in the IP physics simulations to predict the e^+e^- yields and spectra
- Overlap between gamma-beam and strong-IP laser is essential to get positron yield correct.
- Narrow bandwidth
- Timing and temporal duration of the gamma beam
- Angular distribution: Strong-field IP aperture ($\sim 10^{-6}$) much smaller than $1/\gamma$, thus near on-axis spectrum is what matters most

Principle of ICS



parameter	value
ω_L	4.65 eV
γ	32290
ξ	< 0.1
η	0.588
$\gamma\theta$	< 0.1
ω	$\approx 9 \text{ GeV}$

$$\omega \approx \frac{4\gamma^2 \omega_L}{1 + \frac{\xi^2}{2} + \gamma^2 \theta^2 + 2\eta}, \quad \eta \approx \frac{2\gamma\omega_L}{m}$$

$$\left(\frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\Delta\omega_L}{\omega_L}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\xi^2}{2}\right)^2 + \left(2\frac{\Delta\gamma}{\gamma}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma^2\Delta\theta_e^2}{4}\right)^2 + (\lceil N_{sc} - 1 \rceil \eta)^2 + \dots$$

- Ti:Sa laser 60 nm FWHM bandwidth @ 800 nm: 1×10^{-3}
- $\xi < 0.1$: 2.5×10^{-5}
- $\Delta\gamma/\gamma = 0.1\%$: 4×10^{-6}
- Projected normalized emittance 1.4 mm mrad: 4×10^{-4}
- Number of scatters $N_{sc} = \text{rate} \times \text{pulse duration} < 1$: ≈ 0
- LMA = local monochromatic approximation \Rightarrow does not correctly describe the laser bandwidth contribution

- Photon bunch duration determined by ebeam duration: 80 fs
- Why? Laser frequency is Doppler upshifted. Number of electric field oscillations is conserved.
- Thus, pulse duration is Doppler contracted by about $1/4\gamma^2$ for a single electron.
- Assume laser pulse duration of 1 ps, $\gamma \sim 30000 \Rightarrow T < 10^{-22} \text{ s} < 1 \text{ zs}$

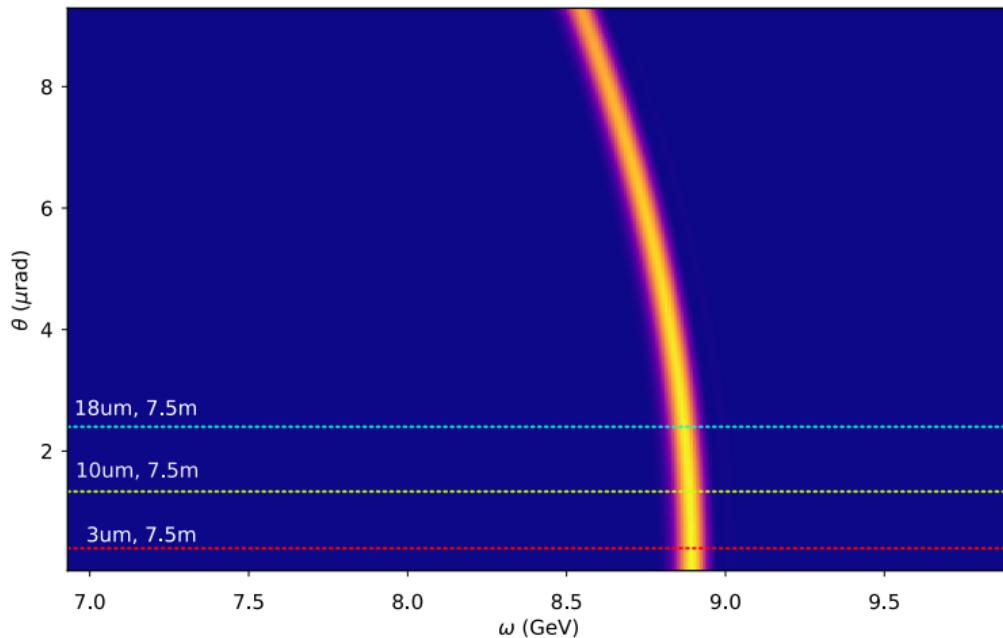
Various Levels of Complexity

- ebeam (realistic 6d phase space distribution) + realistic 3d focused laser pulse
- ebeam (Gaussian 6d phase space distribution) + gaussian 3d focused laser pulse
- ...
- ebeam energy spread/emittance/ \perp dist + gaussian 3d focus
- ...
- 1d temporal electron distribution + plane wave
- single particle + plane wave

Simulation Options

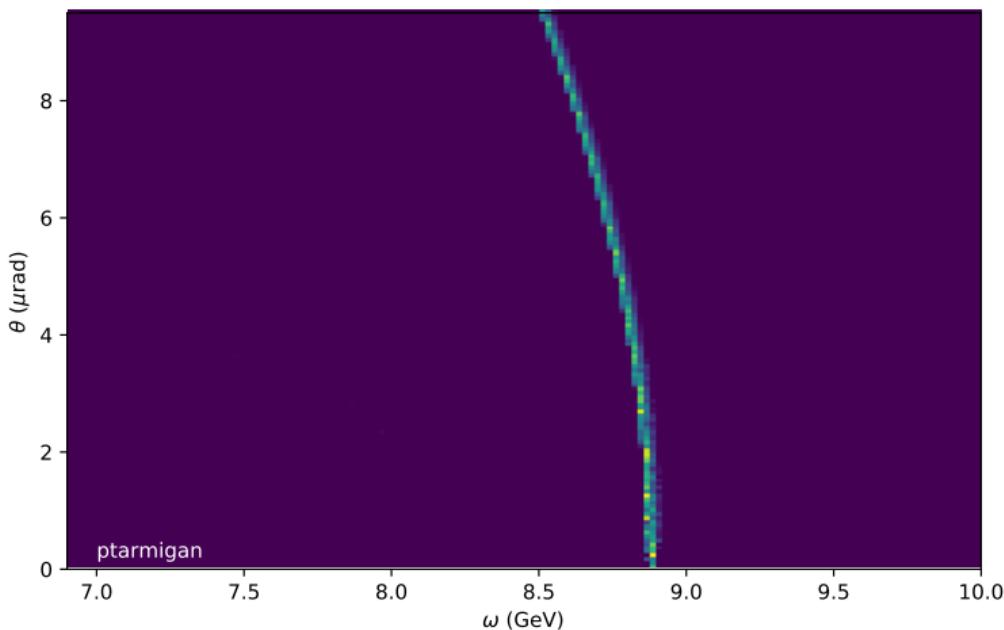
Simulation method	recoil	CP/LP	laser focus	ready?
QED matrix element	yes	CP/LP	no	yes
PTARMIGAN/LMA	yes	CP only	yes	yes
Inverse Thomson	no	CP/LP	yes	yes
Quasi-classical radiation	yes	CP/LP	yes	devel needed

Energy-Angular Spectrum (QED)



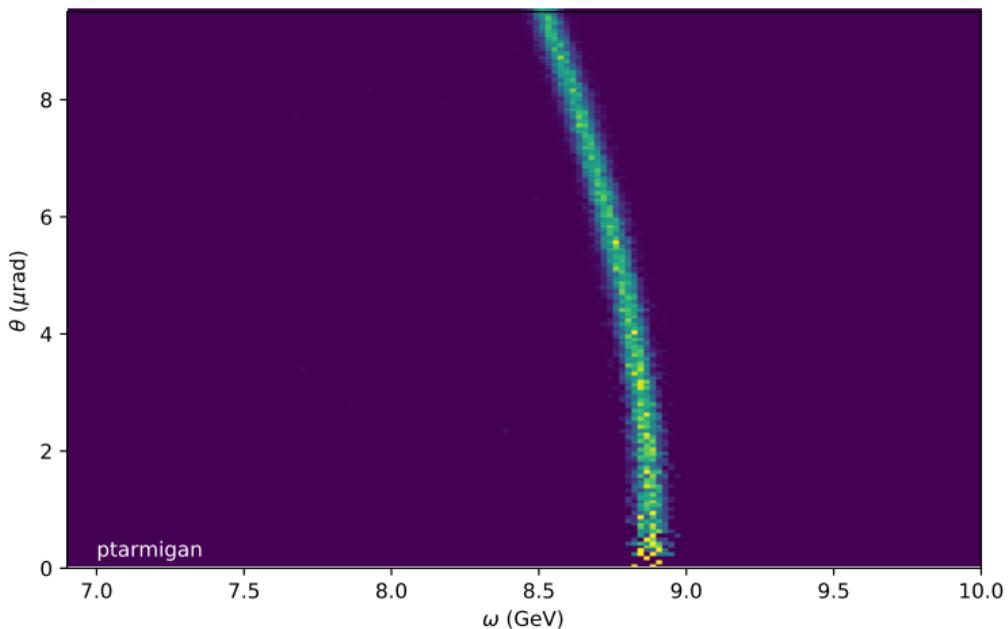
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Energy-Angular Spectrum (PTARMIGAN/LMA)



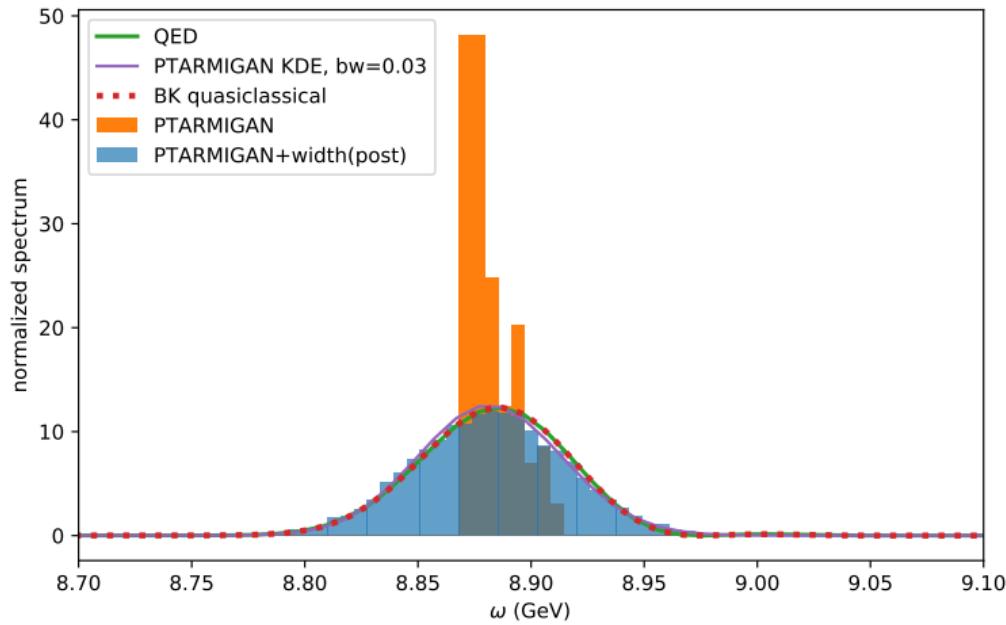
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Energy-Angular Spectrum (PTARMIGAN/LMA) + Spectral Width

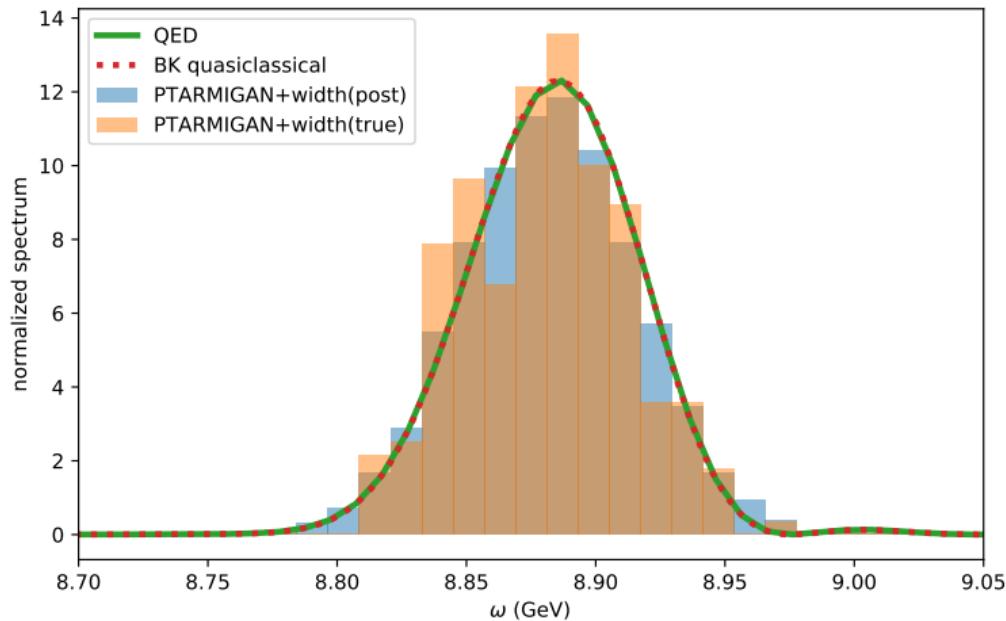


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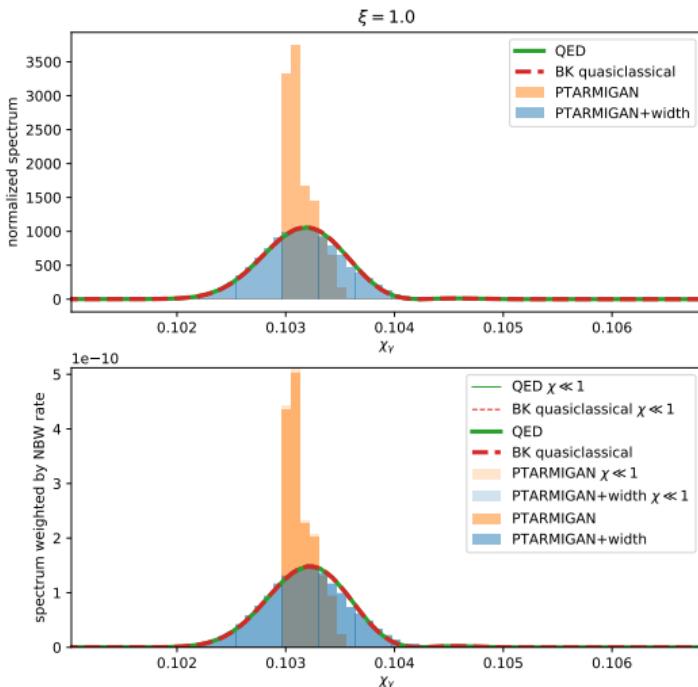
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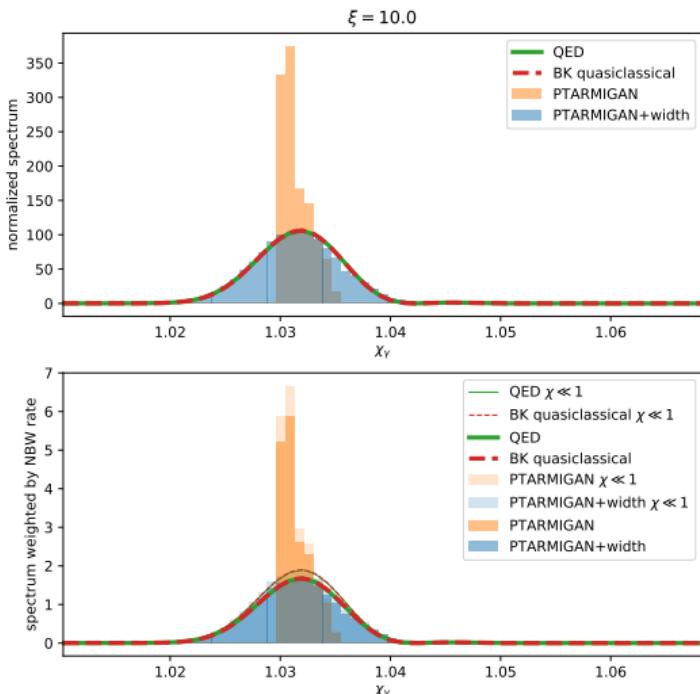
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Photon Spectra Weighted by Pair Production Rate ($\xi = 1$) up to 1 μrad



Photon Spectra Weighted by Pair Production Rate ($\xi = 10$) up to 1 μrad



- QED and quasiclassical codes calculate spectrum,
- Sample randomly from spectrum to generate photon-beam
- Photon-beam time structure by sampling from spectrum with temporal delay distribution of ebeam

Simulation Plan: PTARMIGAN + QuasiClassical

- ICS1: Use PTARMIGAN-CP to generate gamma-photon beams; IP physics simulations of ICS-NBW and tracking of pairs (spring 2021)
- ICS2: Some optimiaztion of the ICS in terms of pulse-duration vs. peak intensity (late spring/early summer 2021)
- ICS3: Implement limited capacity LP (up to $\xi = 0.1$) into PTARMIGAN (worth it?)
- ICS4: Develop quasi-classical ICS simulation code (Baier-Katkov-method, summer/fall 2021)
- ICS5: Include gamma-photon polarization (QCBK/PTARMIGAN, 2022)

Notes:

1. ICS sims not independent of PTARMIGAN development plan: Full LP not before 2022
2. Output file format for ICS sims: Mimic PTARMIGAN format for all used codes