

ACTS – GSF Implementation Status

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ACTS Fitter discussion

Introduction

- Gaussian Sum Fitter – extension of Kalman-Fitter for non-Gaussian noise
 - Uses Gaussian-Mixtures as track states
- Main sources:
 - Thomas Martin Atkinson: Electron Reconstruction with the ATLAS Inner Detector
 - R. Frühwirth: Track fitting with non-Gaussian noise
 - Athena source code

Recap: Multi Stepper

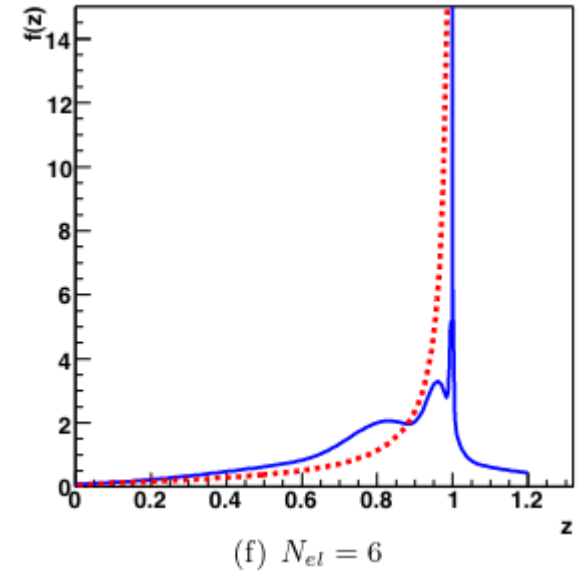
- Dedicated Stepper Type for GSF
 - Interfaces as a single component state to the Navigator
 - Interfaces as a multi component state to the GSF-Actor
- Two different Implementations
 - Loop (*Loops over a vector of EigenStepper states*)
 - SIMD (*Uses SIMD parallel data structures*)

Implementation: Propagation

- Smoothing requires backward propagation
- Unlike in the `Acts::KalmanFitter`: Three calls to `.propagate(...)` in the GSF fit-function.
 - Forward, backward, return-to-perigee
 - Less branches, less boolean checking
 - **Performance impact expected?**

Implementation: Bethe-Heitler-Distribution

- Energy loss is Bethe-Heitler-distributed
 - Each component “spawns” N_c new components
 - Reduction required (merging)
- Implementation copied from Athena
 - 6 component representation as 5th-order polynomial in t

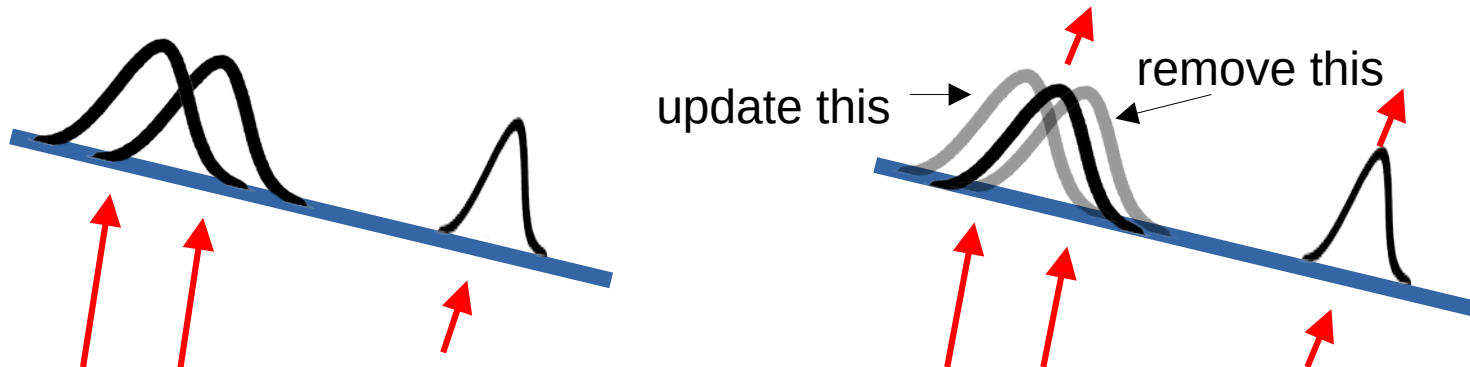


$$f(z) = \frac{(-\ln(z))^{c-1}}{\Gamma(c)}, \quad \text{with} \quad c = \frac{t}{\ln(2)},$$

$$z = \frac{E_f}{E_i}, \quad t = \frac{x}{x_0},$$

Implementation: Component Reuse

- Can reuse `Acts::MultiTrajectory`
 - And thus the `Acts::GainMatrixUpdater`
 - **But:** Need to store weights (at the moment with `std::map<size_t, double>`)
 - Component merging seems not to be a problem:



Integration in Examples Framework

- `Acts::GaussianSumFitter::fit(...)` returns a `Acts::KalmanFitterResult`
 - Directly usable with `ActsExamples::TrackFittingAlgorithm`

Next steps

- Can a weight-field be added to the `MultiTrajectory`?
- Debugging, Refactoring, etc.
- Test with more complicated setups than Telescope detector
 - Component loss not yet fully implemented
 - Do some statistical analysis