

LHCb's Forward Tracking Algorithm

Run 3 CPU-based Online Track Reconstruction

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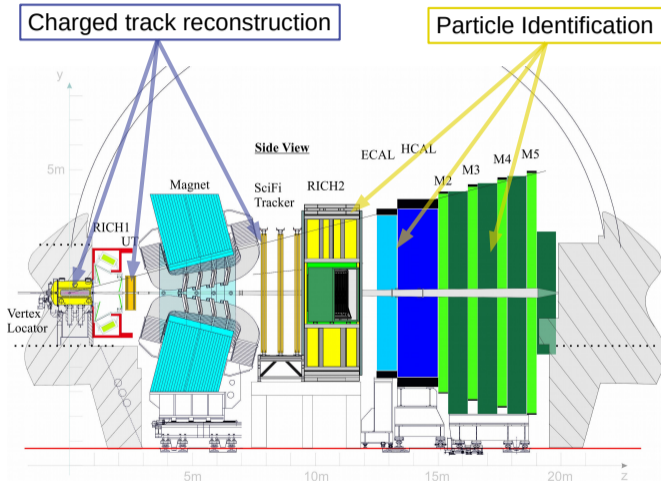
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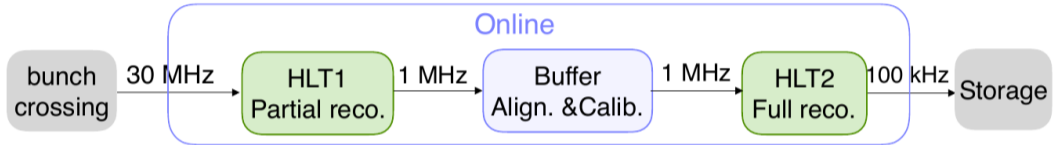
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Run 3 LHCb Detector



LHCb's Software Trigger for Run 3



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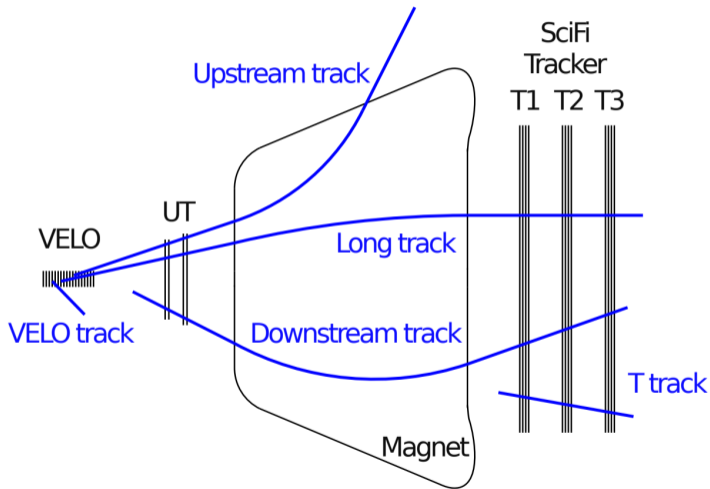
- ▶ "Allen: A high level trigger on GPUs for LHCb" Comput Softw Big Sci
- ▶ Tom's talk yesterday and [CTD2020](#)
- ▶ Alessandro's talk tomorrow

LHCb's Software Trigger for Run 3



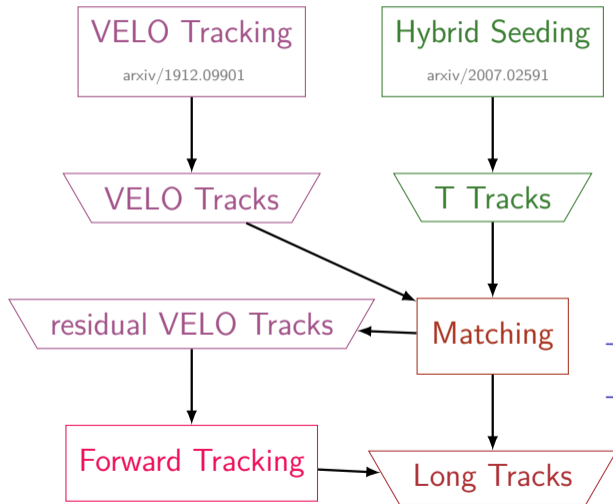
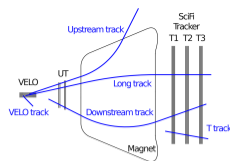
- ▶ full offline-quality event reconstruction on CPUs
 - track reconstruction → this talk
 - track parameter estimation using Kalman Filter
 - particle identification
 - neutrals reconstruction
 - candidate selection
- ▶ see also Sevda's **talk** later today
- ▶ for alignment see Florian's **talk** tomorrow

HLT2 Track Reconstruction - Track Types



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HLT2 Track Reconstruction Sequence



- two algorithms find Long Tracks

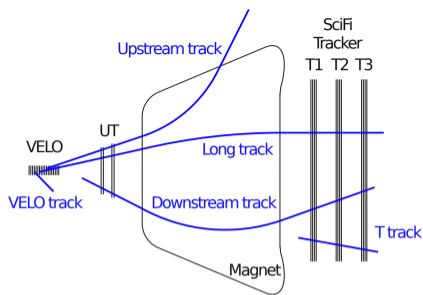
1. Neural Network (MLP) Matching VELO to T Tracks
2. Forward Tracking

→ avoid redundancy for speed
→ run Forward Tracking on not-matched VELO tracks

Forward Tracking - Intro

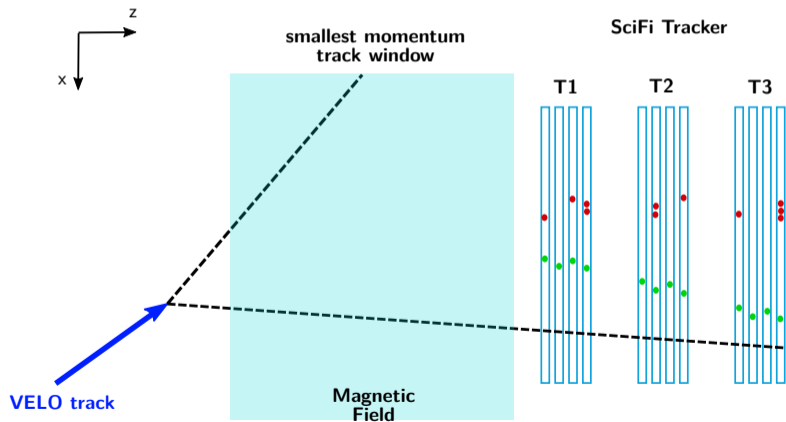
Goal: find "Forward" extension
to VELO track in SciFi Tracker
+ estimate momentum

- ▶ extension is set of 10-12 SciFi hits
 - ▶ fringe magnetic field in SciFi Tracker → hits on slightly curved line
- **Hough**-like transform algorithm to recognise lines



Forward Tracking - Algorithm

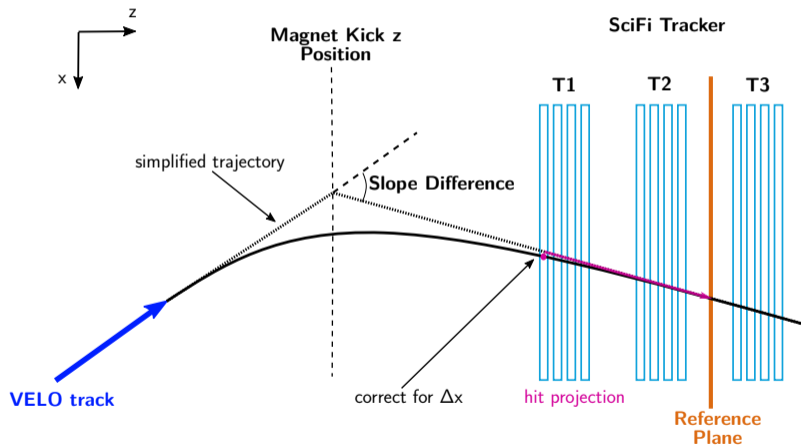
1. define hit search window for VELO track state $(x, y, \frac{\partial x}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial x}{\partial z}, \frac{q}{p})$
 $\frac{q}{p}$ unknown, assume $p > 1.5 \text{ GeV}$ use Polynomial $(\frac{\partial x}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial x}{\partial z}, p)$



Forward Tracking - Algorithm

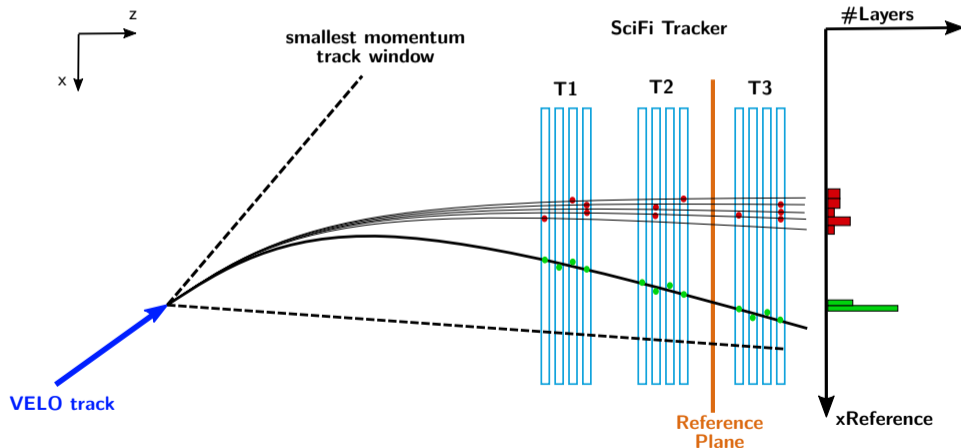
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2. treat magnet as optical lens to simplify track and hit projection



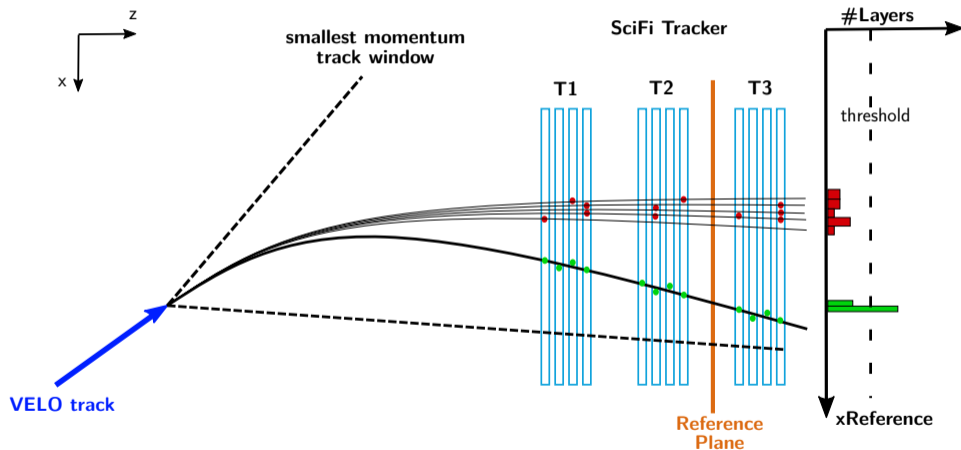
Forward Tracking - Algorithm

3. Hough-like transform: project all hits in window to reference plane and count number of SciFi layers in histogram



Forward Tracking - Algorithm

4. scan histogram, collect hits from bins above threshold



Forward Tracking - Algorithm Summary

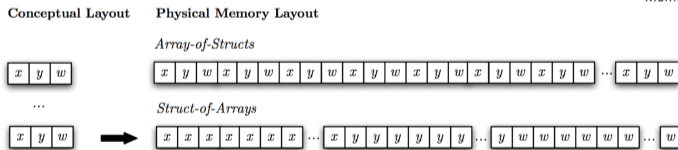
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 4. scan histogram, collect hits from bins above threshold
- found set of SciFi hits extending VELO track
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5. clean-up hit set and fit using 3rd order polynomial
 6. estimate q/p from fit result

Forward Tracking - Event Throughput Optimisation

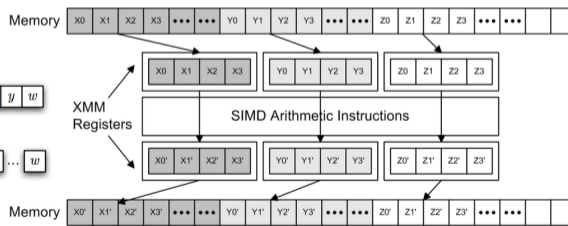
- ▶ typically trade-off between throughput, track reconstruction efficiency, fake track fraction

But: can improve throughput using modern CPU capabilities

→ Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD) with Structure-of-Arrays (SOA) data layout, "Vectorisation"



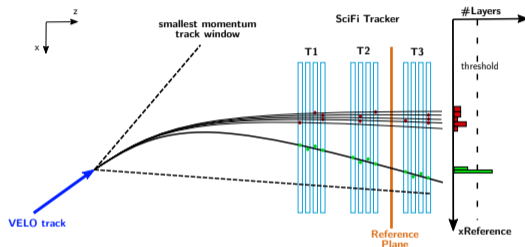
Arthur Hennequin. Performance optimization for the LHCb experiment



Ma, Wan-Chun, Yang, Chia-Lin. (2003) 10.1007/3-540-36228-2 134.

Forward Tracking - Vectorisation

- ▶ hits and #Layers stored in SOA layout → apply SIMD
- project multiple hits
- threshold scan multiple #Layers
- ▶ 8 single precision floats/integers in parallel (AVX2)
- increases event throughput of Forward Tracking by 60%



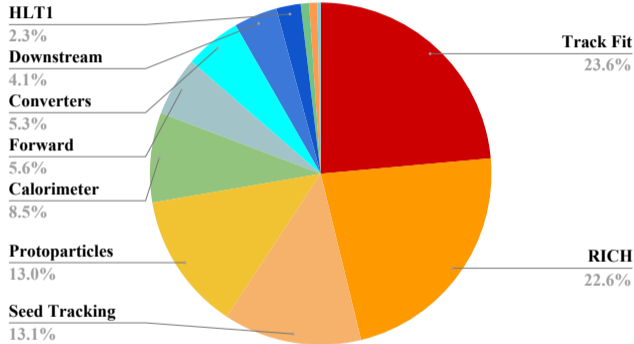
HLT2 Reconstruction Sequence Throughput

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- ▶ throughput break down of track reconstruction and particle identification
- ▶ not including candidate selections

LHCb Simulation

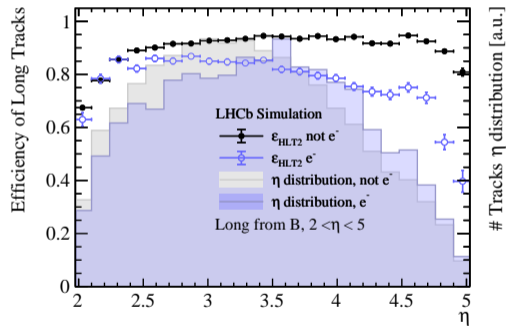
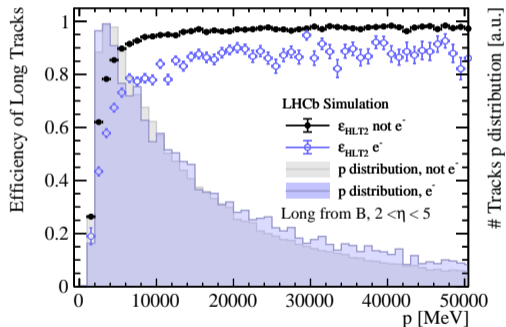
Throughput = 505.0 events/s/node



→ Forward Tracking not dominating component for throughput

Forward Tracking - Reconstruction Efficiency

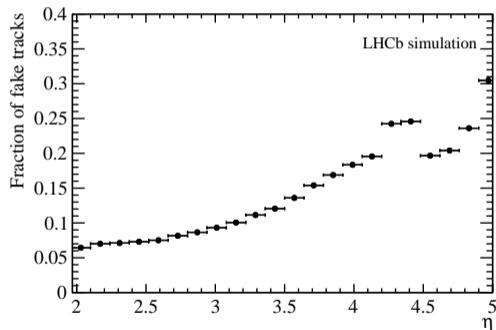
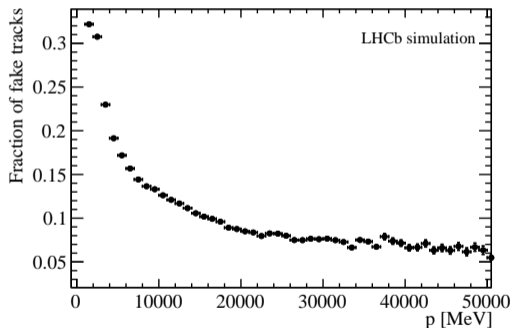
- ▶ more than 90% efficiency for high momentum central tracks from B meson



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Forward Tracking - Fake Track Fraction

- ▶ high pseudorapidity region has high hit density
- more combinatorics to form fake tracks



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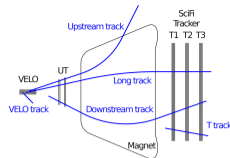
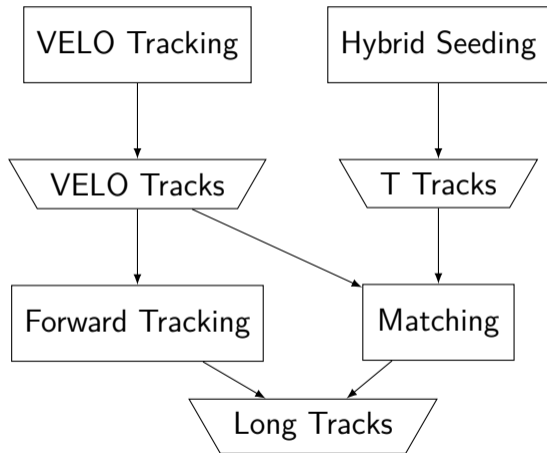
Summary

- ▶ Forward Tracking reconstructs Long Tracks in HLT2
- ▶ pattern recognition via Hough-like transform
- ▶ event throughput 60% increased by using CPU vectorisation
- ▶ reconstruction efficiency $> 90\%$ for high momentum tracks from B meson

Backup

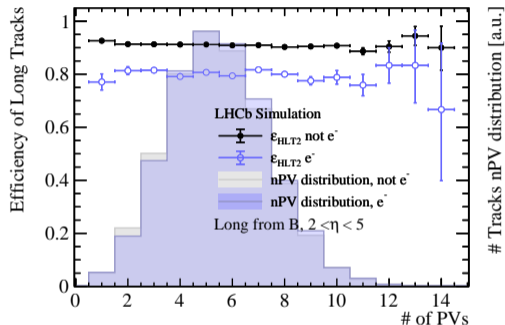
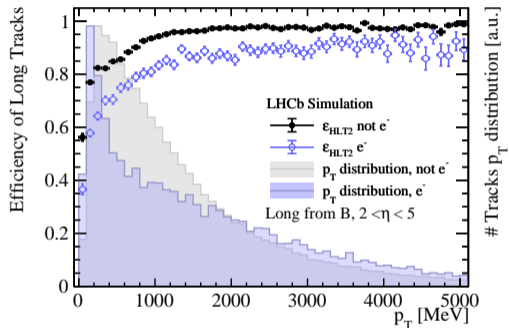


HLT2 Track Reconstruction Sequence



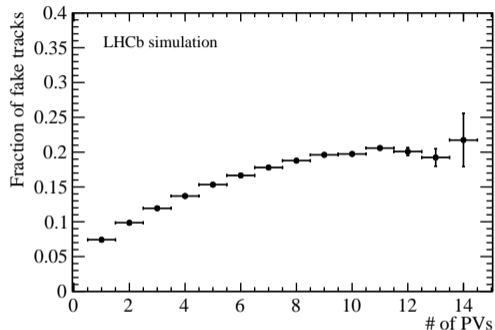
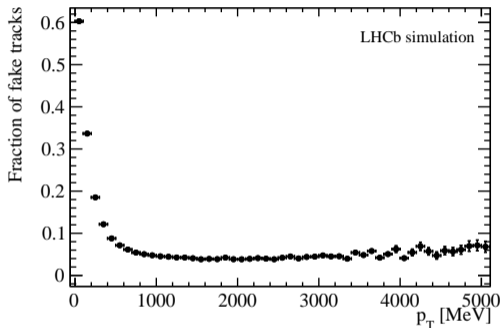
- ▶ legacy Run-2-like sequence
- ▶ redundancy in finding Long Tracks
- ▶ slow because too much work done + need to remove tracks found twice

Forward Tracking - Reconstruction Efficiency



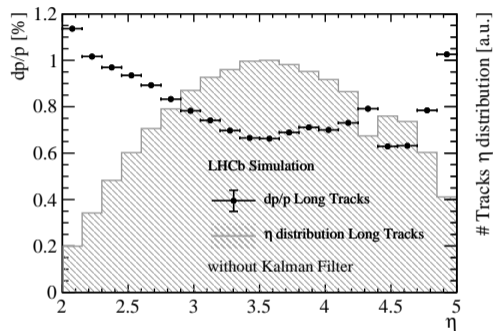
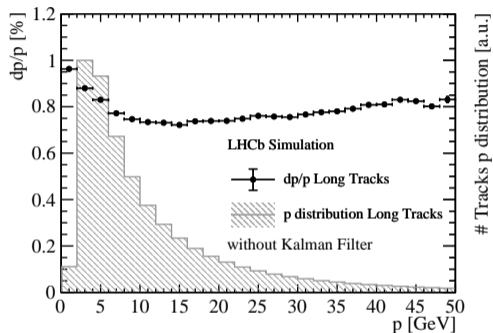
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Forward Tracking - Fake Track Fraction



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Forward Tracking - Momentum Resolution



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