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Study of a new algorithm for tracker alignment using Machine Learning

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For the tracker systems used in experiments like the large LHC experiments, a track based alignment with offline software is performed. The standard approach involves minimising the residuals between the measured and track-predicted hits using the χ^2 method. However, this minimisation process involves solving a complex and computationally expensive linearised matrix equation. A new approach utilising modern Machine Learning frameworks such as TensorFlow and/or PyTorch is being studied. In this study, the problem is addressed by leveraging these frameworks' implemented stochastic gradient descent and backpropagation algorithms to minimise the χ^2 as the cost function. A proof-of-principle example with a generic detector setup is presented.

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