



# **Real-time alignment and calibration performance of LHCb with Run 3 data**

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### The LHCb detector in Run 3

A general detector specialized in beauty and charm hadrons





Huge production crosssection in LHCb acceptance

Alignment & Calibration for better track quality & particle identification



#### The LHCb data flow



- Real-time alignment & calibration
- Results of alignment & calibration used for reconstruction at HLT1 & HLT2



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#### **Alignment and calibration**

- Fully aligned and calibrated data needed before running HLT2
- Real time alignment and calibration pioneered in Run 2, crucial in Run 3
- > Buffer capacity of O(40 PB), corresponds to O(days) of running, situated between HLT1 and HLT2
- LHCb distinguish two processes:
  - Alignment: VELO, SciFi, UT, RICH mirrors, Muon
  - Calibration: RICH, ECAL, HCAL





### Tracking system alignment

- > Degrees of freedom  $\mu$  for tracker alignment (alignment constants)
- > The  $\chi^2$  of all tracks minimized with respect to the alignment parameters  $\mu$

 $\chi^2 = [m - h(x)]^T V^{-1} [m - h(x)]_{x}$ 

- $m \rightarrow$  measurement;  $h(x) \rightarrow$  measurement model;  $x \rightarrow$  track parameters;
- $V \rightarrow$  measurement covariance matrix from Kalman filter





ΔRy

 $\Delta x$ 

Λv

 $\Delta Rz$ 

 $\Delta Rx$ 

### Velo alignment

- VELO closed at the begin of stable beam collision
- VELO alignment quality from measurement of the distance of the PV position reconstructed using only tracks in the right or left half Bias indicates misalignment



#### [LHCb-FIGURE-2022-016]



#### Velo alignment cont.

- > The modules aligned:  $(T_x, T_y, T_z)$  and  $(R_x, R_y, R_z)$ ; The sensors are aligned  $(T_x, T_y, R_z)$
- > The mean of the residuals  $\sim 0$  after alignment





### SciFi alignment

- SciFi fibre module hanged on frame; Fibre mats glued together to construct module
- Mat contraction effect due to SiPM cooling





fibre mat

C-f

### SciFi alignment cont.

- > After alignment:
  - Average number of SciFi hit improved
  - Better resolution
  - Better track fit quality
  - → To achieve better track momentum resolution



#### [LHCb-FIGURE-2024-009]



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### **RICH mirror alignment**

- The centre of Cherenkov ring would not correspond to the intersection point of the charged track
- Alignment for each mirror: by the fit of the Cherenkov angle difference as a function of the azimuthal angle on the ring
- $\succ$  Better single-photon resolution  $\rightarrow$  better identification



Before mirror alignment [Eur. Phys. J. C 73 (2013) 2431 ]

After mirror alignment

×10<sup>3</sup>

1100

1000

900

800

700

600

• [rad]



#### [LHCb-FIGURE-2023-019]



#### **Electromagnetic calorimeter calibration**

- > A set of corrections for each of the 6016 cells of ECAL
- > The energy corrections for each cell obtained using the reconstructed  $\pi^0$  mass
- $\succ \pi^0$  mass resolution improved after calibration







### Summary

> The framework real-time alignment and calibration at LHCb works for Run 3

- fully automated real-time alignment pioneered for Run 2
- for Run 3 new detector and fully software-based trigger
- Alignment and calibration improve the tracking quality and particle identifications to complete an offline quality reconstruction
- Tune system and refine the alignment & calibration over time with the feedback from taking data





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