

# Machine Learning-Based Tracking Algorithm and Particle Flow Reconstruction

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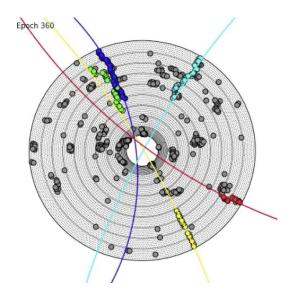
# Geometric Graph Neural Network Based Track Finder

#### From Current Challenges to a Novel Approach

Traditional track finding methods are often complex and detector-specific, limiting their adaptability. To address this, we propose the **Geometric Graph Track Finding (GGTF)** method, an end-to-end detector-agnostic approach.

Key features include:

- **Compatibility** with multiple sub-detectors and tracking technologies.
- Independence from detector geometry and material specifications.
- No reliance on analytical trajectory parameterization.

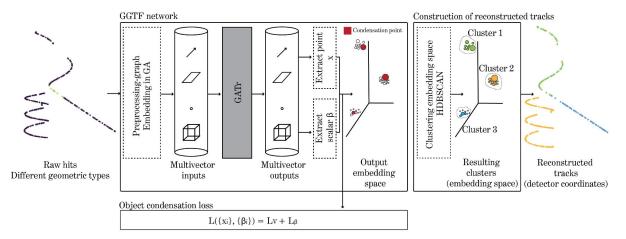


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#### Insights into the Neural Network Design

**Inputs :** For each event, a set of hits is collected from various tracking components. The input to the pipeline is the aggregated collection of all hits, denoted as  $X=\{X_v, X_i, X_o, ...\}$  (vertex, inner tracker, outer tracker, ...)

**Outputs** : For each event, a set of track is returned. Each track is a collection of hits from different tracking components.

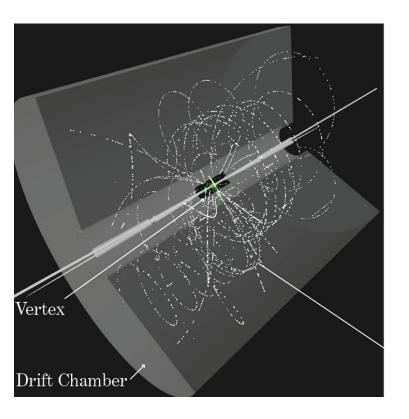


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## **Tracking Efficiency**

Each reconstructed track is matched to a ground truth particle to which it shares the largest number of hits.

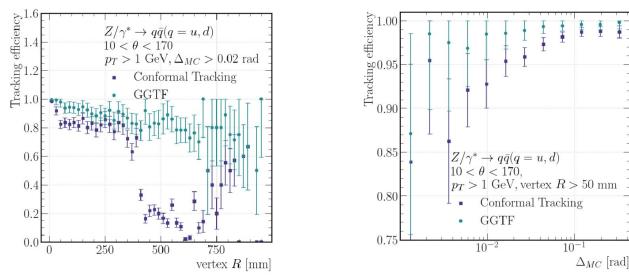
**Tracking Efficiency** is the probability to reconstruct a track and it can be defined as the percentage of reconstructable charged particles matched to a reconstructed track with at least 4 hits.



#### Performance Analysis on CLD

Results show that **GGTF is better than the baseline in reconstructing displaced tracks**, thanks to its ability to overcome the limitations of the conformal tracking algorithm, which assumes all tracks originate from a single common point.

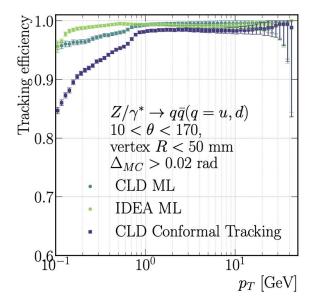
Tracking efficiency improves as the distance to the nearest track increases. **GGTF has good performance in detecting closely spaced tracks**, outperforming the baseline in these cases.

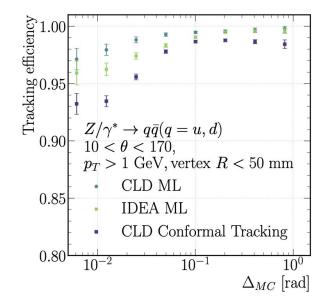


# Comparison between CLD and IDEA

Without background, a comparison of CLD and IDEA shows that IDEA achieves better tracking efficiency at low  $p_T$ . This is due to the drift chamber design, which allows particles to **traverse a larger portion of the tracker**.

CLD, on the other hand, ensures better identification in the case of **closely spaced tracks**.





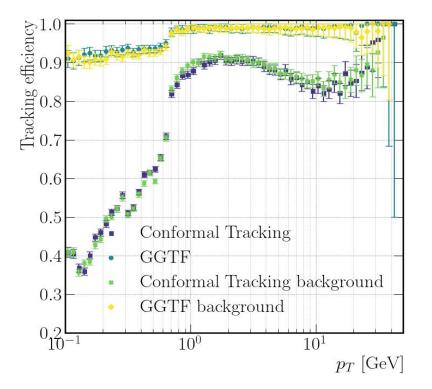
#### Background Studies on CLD

The results comparing the CLD with and without background show that the **same tracking performance** can be achieved.

This result is valid for both conformal tracking and GGTF and it confirms that tracking efficiency is higher with GGTF over the entire  $p_{T}$  range.

Tracking Efficiency : the percentage of reconstructable charged particles with both ratios, the track hit purity and the track hit efficiency, above 50%.

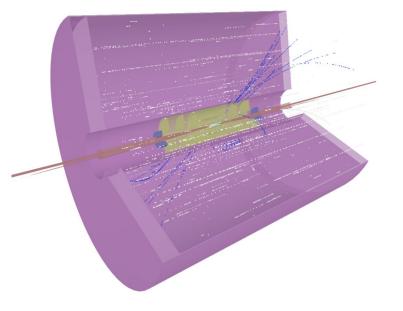
Number of fake tracks : 5.37% (ML) and 5.47% (CT)



#### **Background Studies on IDEA**

Future studies will evaluate tracking performance with background on IDEA, focusing on challenges posed by **low-energy noise particles** in the drift chamber.

These particles create horizontal lines of **loopers** with a very small radius. To prevent the identification of false tracks, they must be detected and removed before pattern recognition.





# Machine learning-based Particle Flow at the FCC-ee

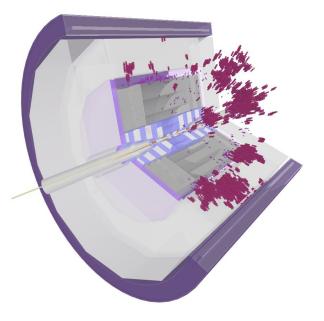
#### What is Particle Flow?

More details in the Anna Zaborowska's slides from this workshop.

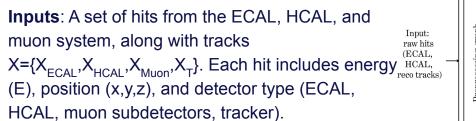
Method to reconstruct **stable** particles in the event (e,  $\gamma$ ,  $\mu$ , charged and neutral hadrons) using the **information** from all sub-detectors.

Main idea: leverage the **most precise sub-detector** that measures a particle:

- trackers for charged particles
- calorimetry for neutral particles.

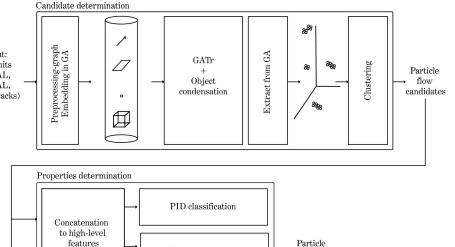


#### Insights into the Neural Network Design



Outputs: The pipeline performs two main steps:

- 1. Detects particle flow candidates.
- 2. Determines the properties (PID, four-vector) for each candidate.

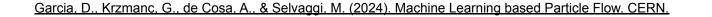


Energy regression

Direction regression

flow

candidates 4-vector



## Metrics Overview: Building Blocks for Evaluation

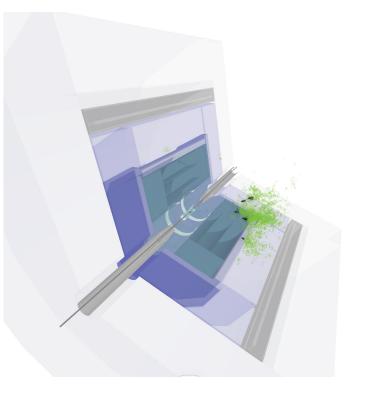
The following features allowing for comparison of MLPF with Pandora are computed.

- Energy resolution is estimated by fitting a Gaussian PDF N( $\mu$ ,  $\sigma$ ) onto the histogram of  $E_{model}/E_{true}$  and reporting the variance divided by mean  $\sigma/\mu$ .
- **Angular resolution** is estimated by looking at the difference in angles Φ and θ, defined according to the CMS coordinate system.
- **Efficiency**: the fraction of particles that are reconstructed and matched to one of the true showers with respect to the total number of true showers.
- **Fake rate**: the fraction of particles that are reconstructed without matching to a true shower with respect to the total number of true showers.
- **Confusion Matrix** : matrix reporting the PID step performance.

#### Dataset - Jet-like Particle Gun

- Generates **10–15 stable particles** per event.
- Energy range: 0.5 GeV < E < 50 GeV
- Particles included:  $\pi^+$ , pi<sup>+</sup>, K<sub>L</sub>, n,  $\gamma$ , e<sup>+</sup>,  $\mu$ , K<sup>+</sup>, p
- Balanced classes: Charged hadrons, Neutral hadrons, Photons, Muons, Electrons.

It offers a controlled approximation of general physics events, excluding many exotic or long-lived particles by default but allowing their inclusion if needed.



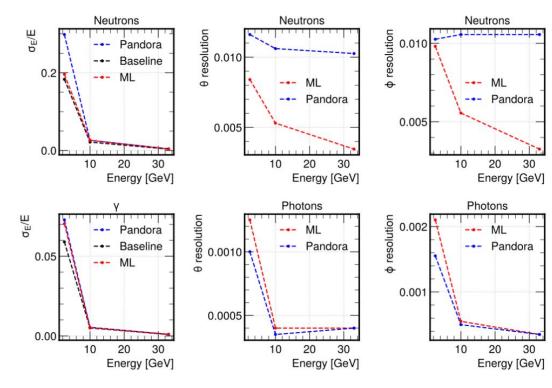
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#### **Results - Energy and Angular Resolution**

The MLPF shows improved energy resolution for the neutral hadrons.

The MLPF model also shows equivalent angular resolution to Pandora, with improved resolution for neutral hadrons.

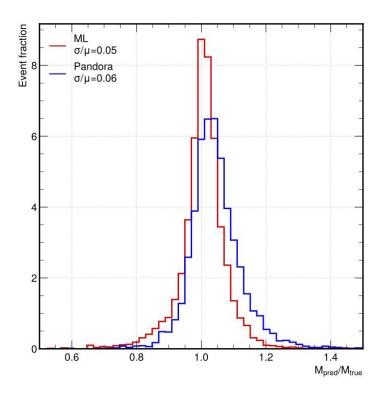


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#### **Results - Reconstructed Mass**

These results demonstrate that the ML method outperforms Pandora in mass reconstruction. Specifically, the  $m_{pred}/m_{true}$  ratio obtained with the ML method has a mean value closer to 1 compared to Pandora's results.

Additionally, the mass relative resolution  $\sigma/\mu$  is smaller when applying the ML method.



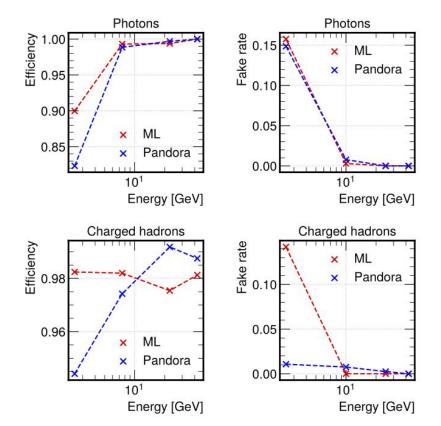
## **Results - Efficiency and Fake Rates**

• Low Energies:

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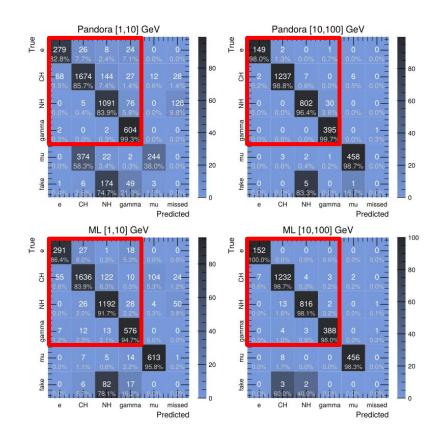
- MLPF achieves **higher efficiency** compared to Pandora.
- **Fake rate** remains similar, expect for charged hadrons (due to fake tracks).
- High Energies:
  - Efficiency decreases due to challenges in clustering close-by showers.



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#### Results - Particle Identification (I)

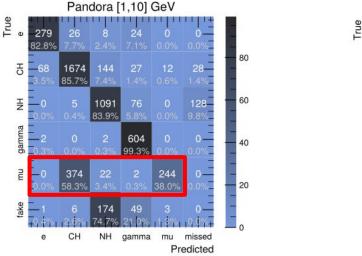
In the electron, charged hadrons, neutral hadrons and gamma region the overall performance of MLPF is compatible with Pandora, but the PID also shows **improved performance for MLPF** with 6% misidentification rate of pandora of neutral hadrons into photons.

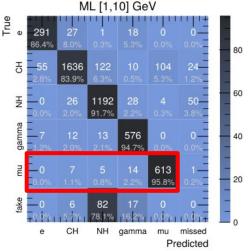


#### Results - Particle Identification (II)

Muons in the range of 1-10 GeV are correctly classified by the MLPF 95% of the times (38% for pandora).

The analysis highlights challenges with lower-energy muons, which often leave only a **few hits in the muon detectors**. Due to this limited information, the Pandora algorithm tends to misclassify these muons as charged hadrons.







## Summary

#### Summary and Next Steps

Geometric Graph Neural Network Based Track Finder:



- **GGTF Method**: An end-to-end, detector-agnostic approach that shows encouraging results for both CLD and IDEA detector concepts.
- **Background Robustness**: GGTF demonstrates consistent performance with and without background in the CLD detector concept.
- **Next Steps**: Background studies on IDEA to evaluate the effect of drift chamber noise on GGTF performance.

#### Machine learning-based Particle Flow at the FCC-ee:

- **MLPF**: An end-to-end, detector-agnostic approach with similar performance to Pandora.
- **Next Steps**: Add the possibility of discarding classifications made by the PID module in the event that the assignment is not sure, but it has ambiguities with other particles.



# Thank you for your attention.

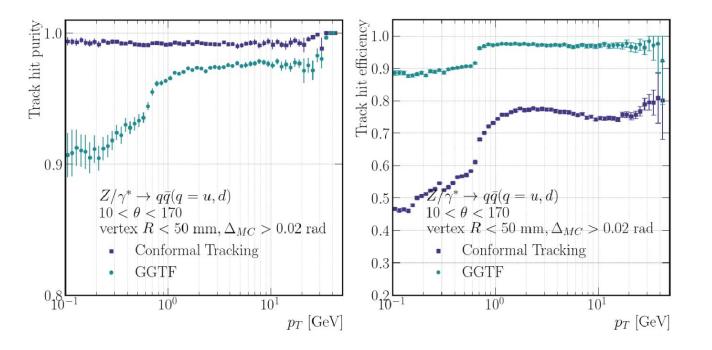




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## Performance Analysis on CLD

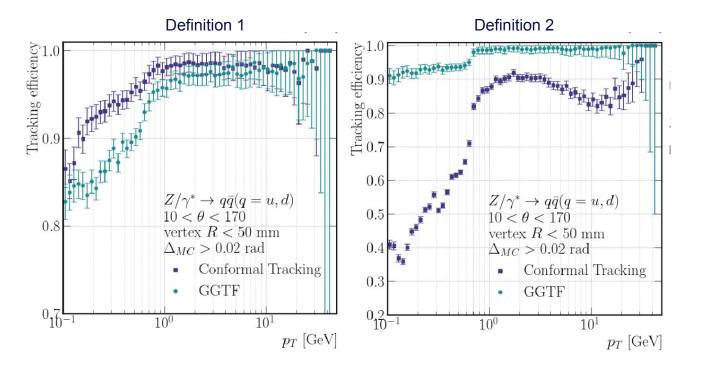
#### Track Hit Purity & Track Hit Efficiency



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## Performance Analysis on CLD

Tracking Efficiency with Definitions 1 and 2



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# Performance Analysis on IDEA

Tracking Efficiency & Track Hit Efficiency

