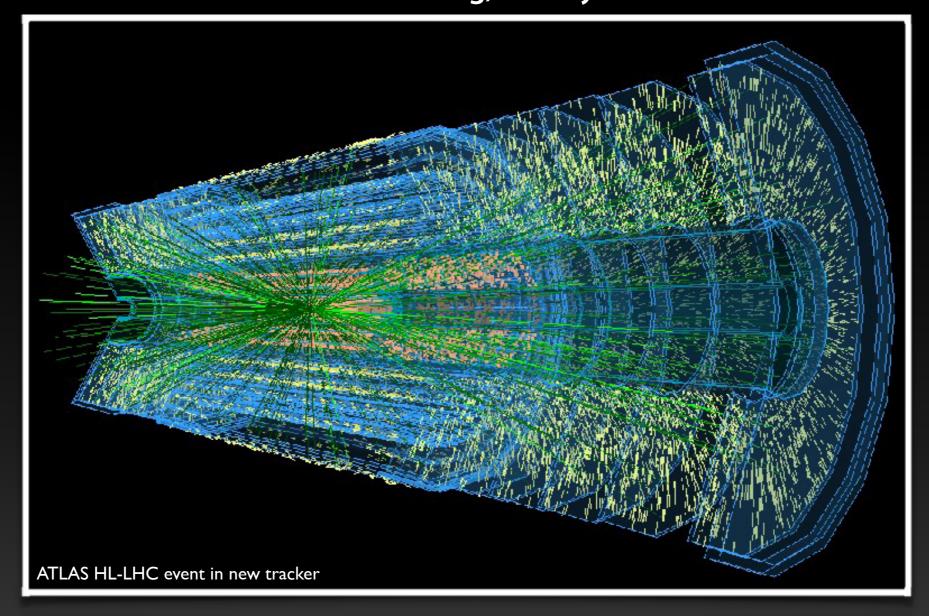
# Reconstructing Events, from Electronic Signals to Tracks

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#### About this Lecture

- this lecture was originally written for physics students
  - → but it is not required to be a physicist to follow this lecture (I think)
  - → I will speak more about concepts and techniques, so don't get lost in details which I will flag as such
  - ⇒ some (basic) knowledge on statistics helps for the mathematical details
- don't be afraid to stop me and ask
  - → it is probably me not explaining things well enough
    - I may take too many things for granted or may use slang
  - → we want to make this as useful as possible for YOU



→ further reading: <a href="http://elsing.web.cern.ch/elsing/teaching.html">http://elsing.web.cern.ch/elsing/teaching.html</a>

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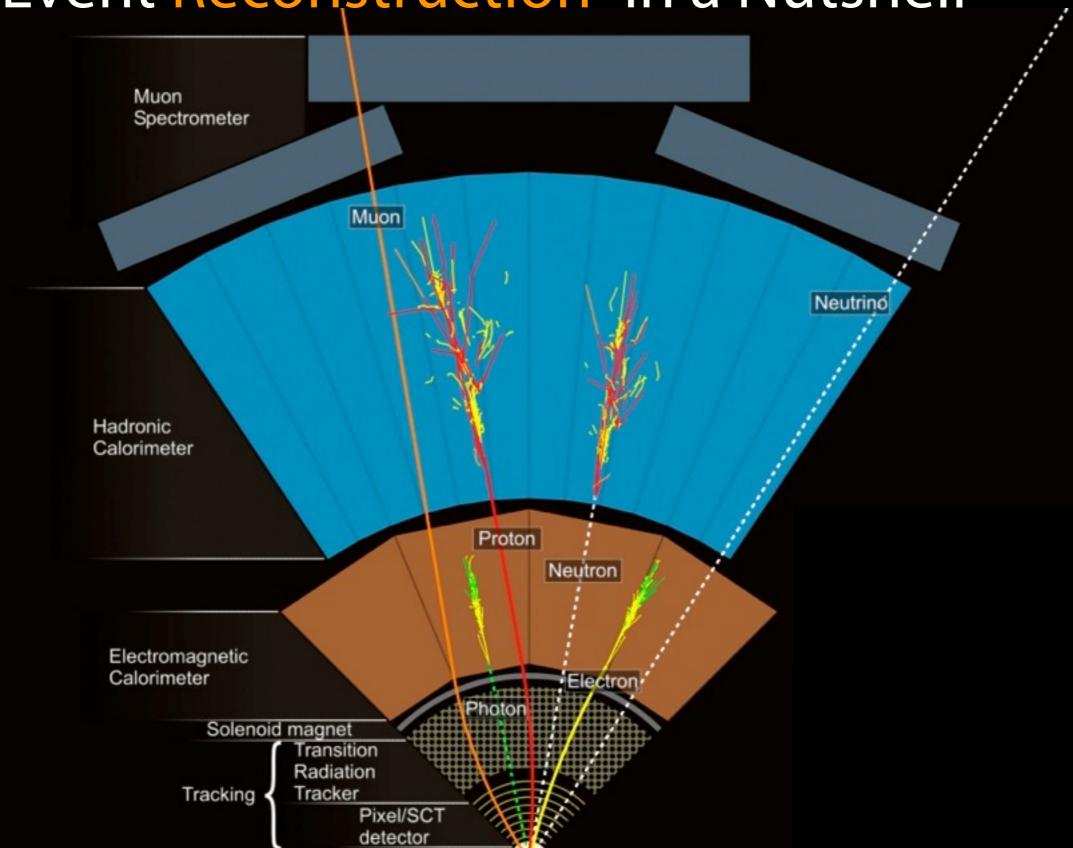


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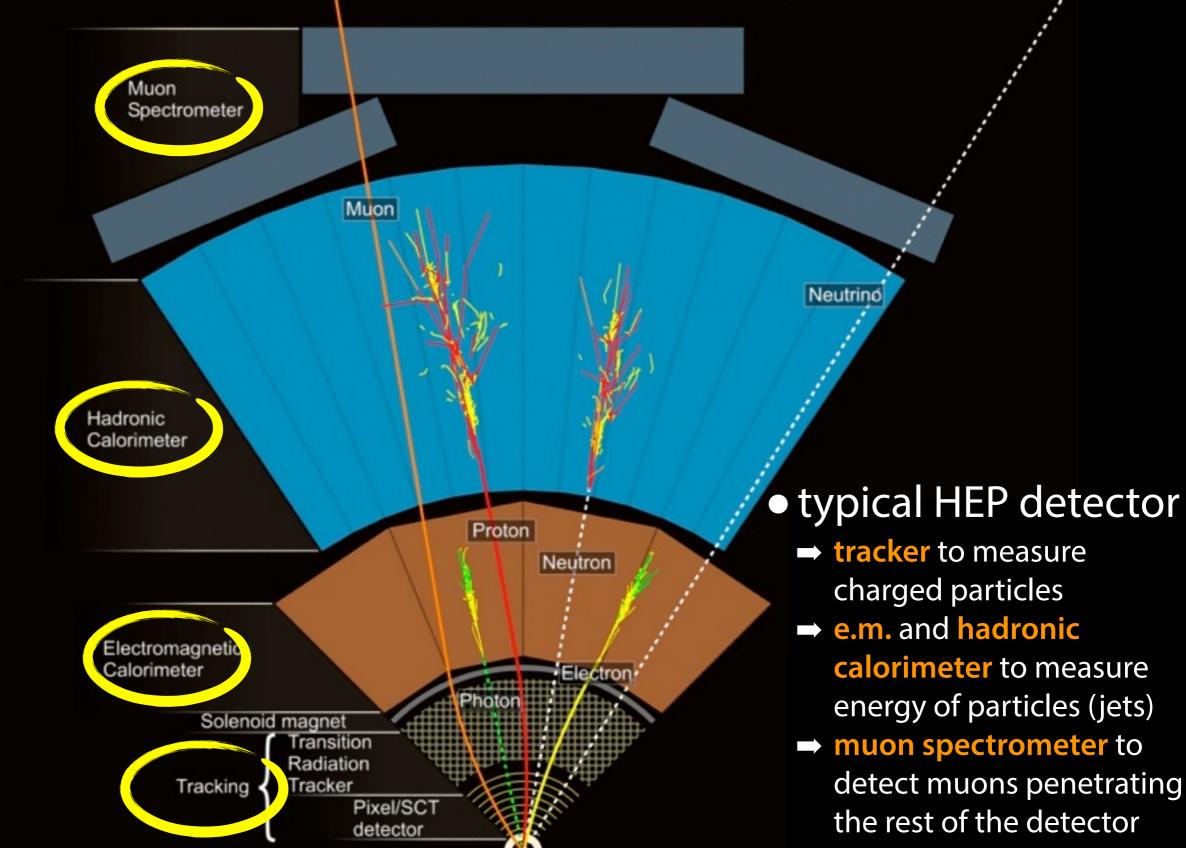


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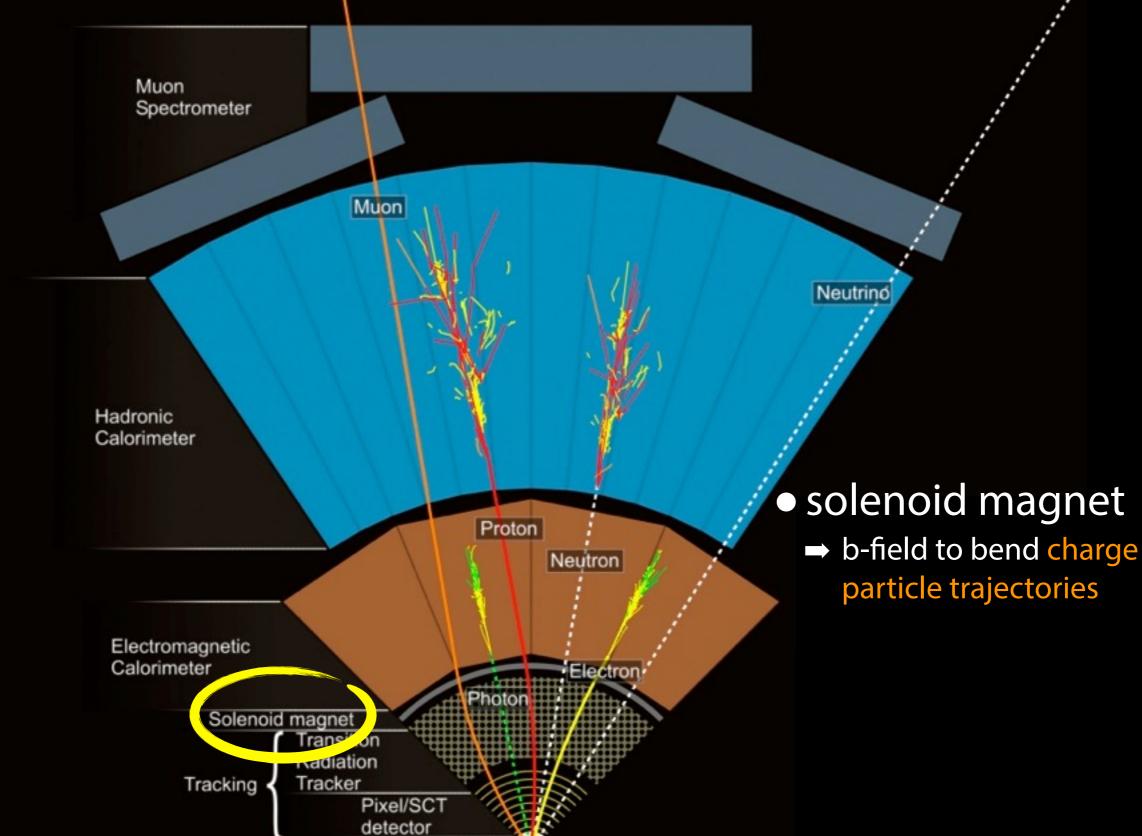














#### Event Reconstruction "in a Nutshell" Muon Spectrometer Muon Neutrino Hadronic Calorimeter photons Protop ⇒ shower in e.m. calorimeter Neutron → (ideally) no charged particle seen in tracker Electromagnetic neutrons Calorimeter → showers in hadronic Solenoid magnet Transition calorimeter

Radiation

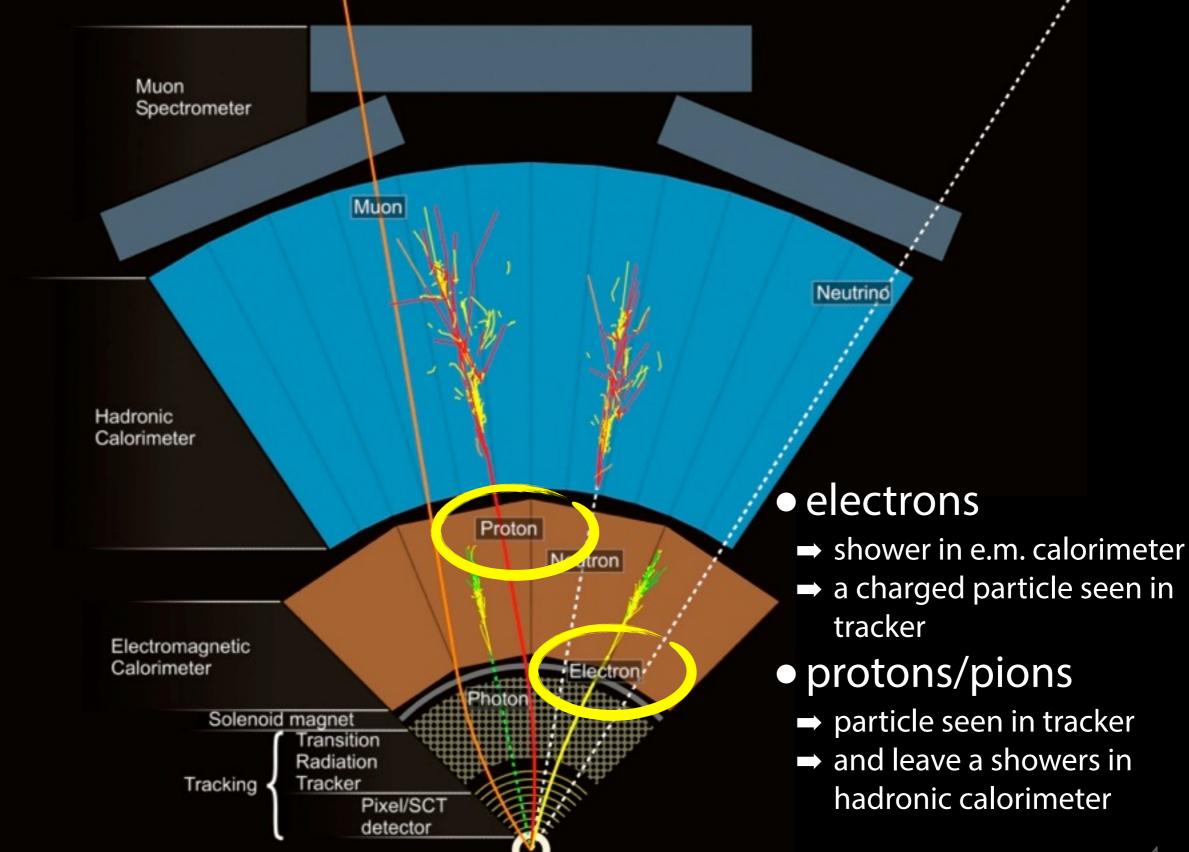
Pixel/SCT detector

Tracker

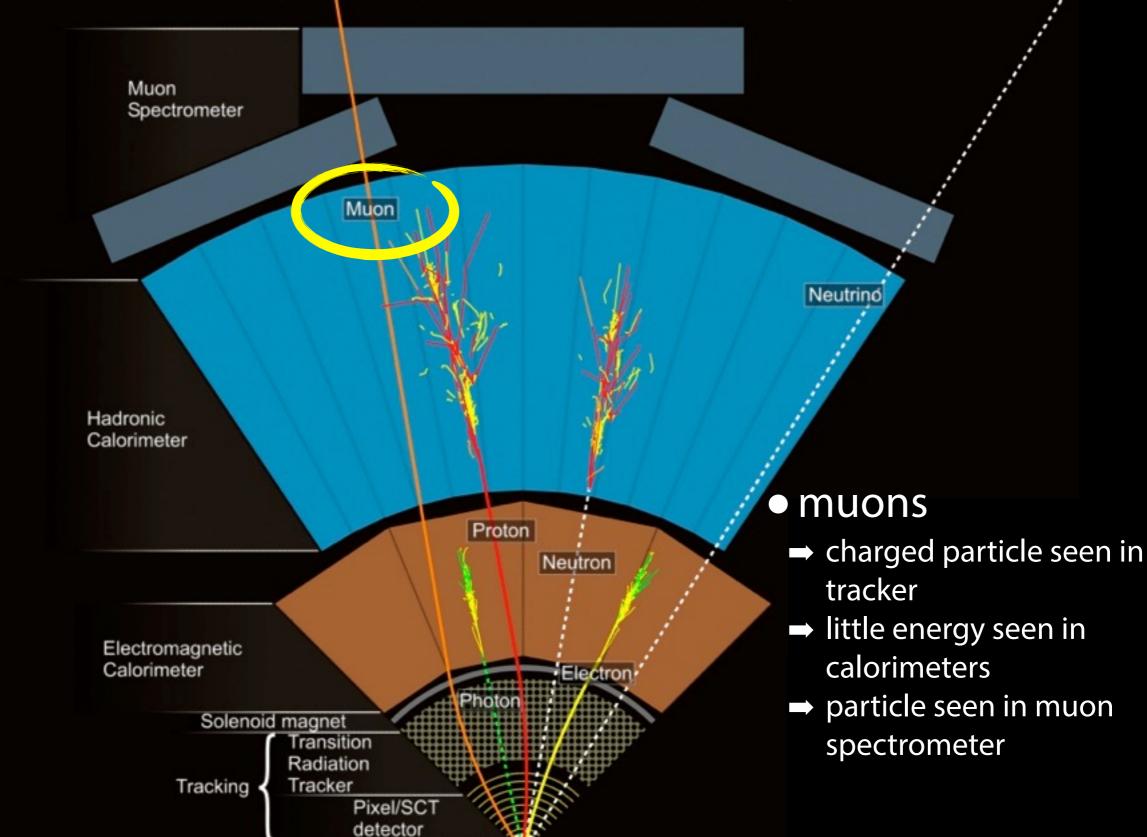
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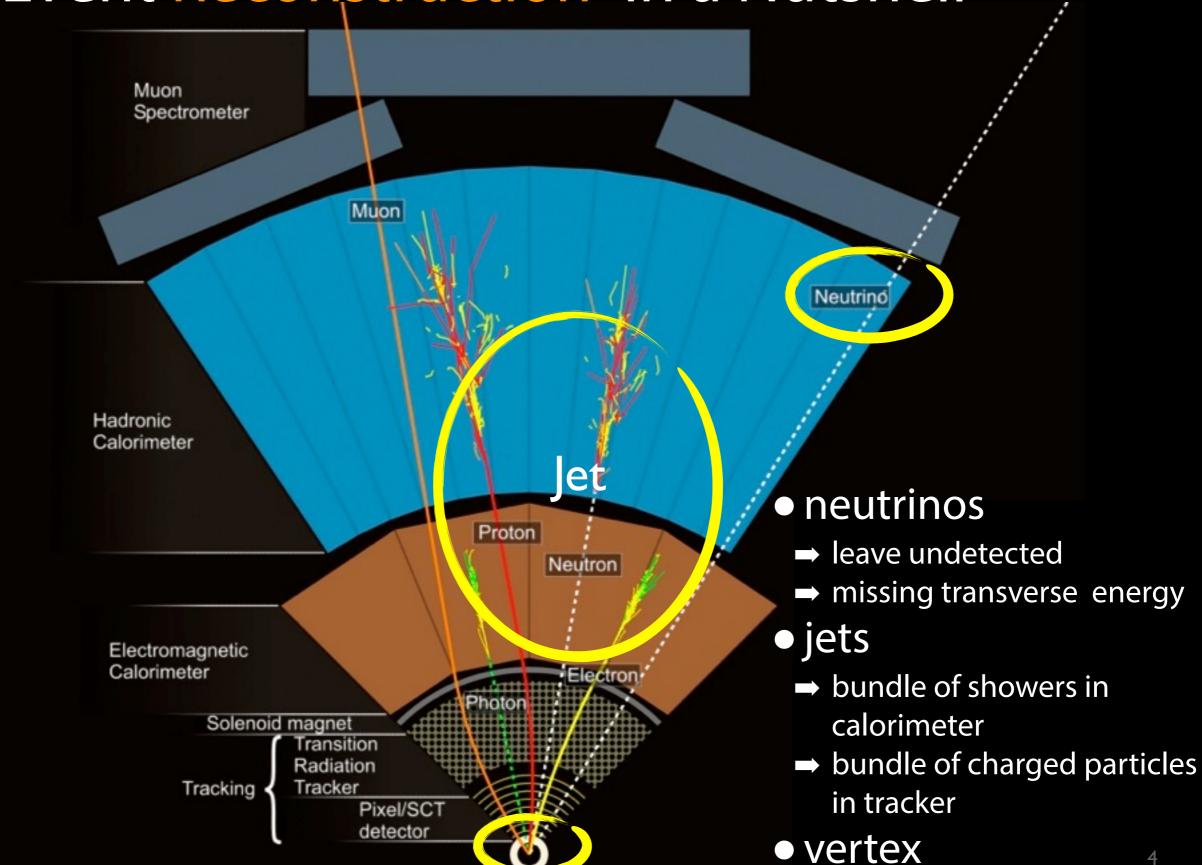
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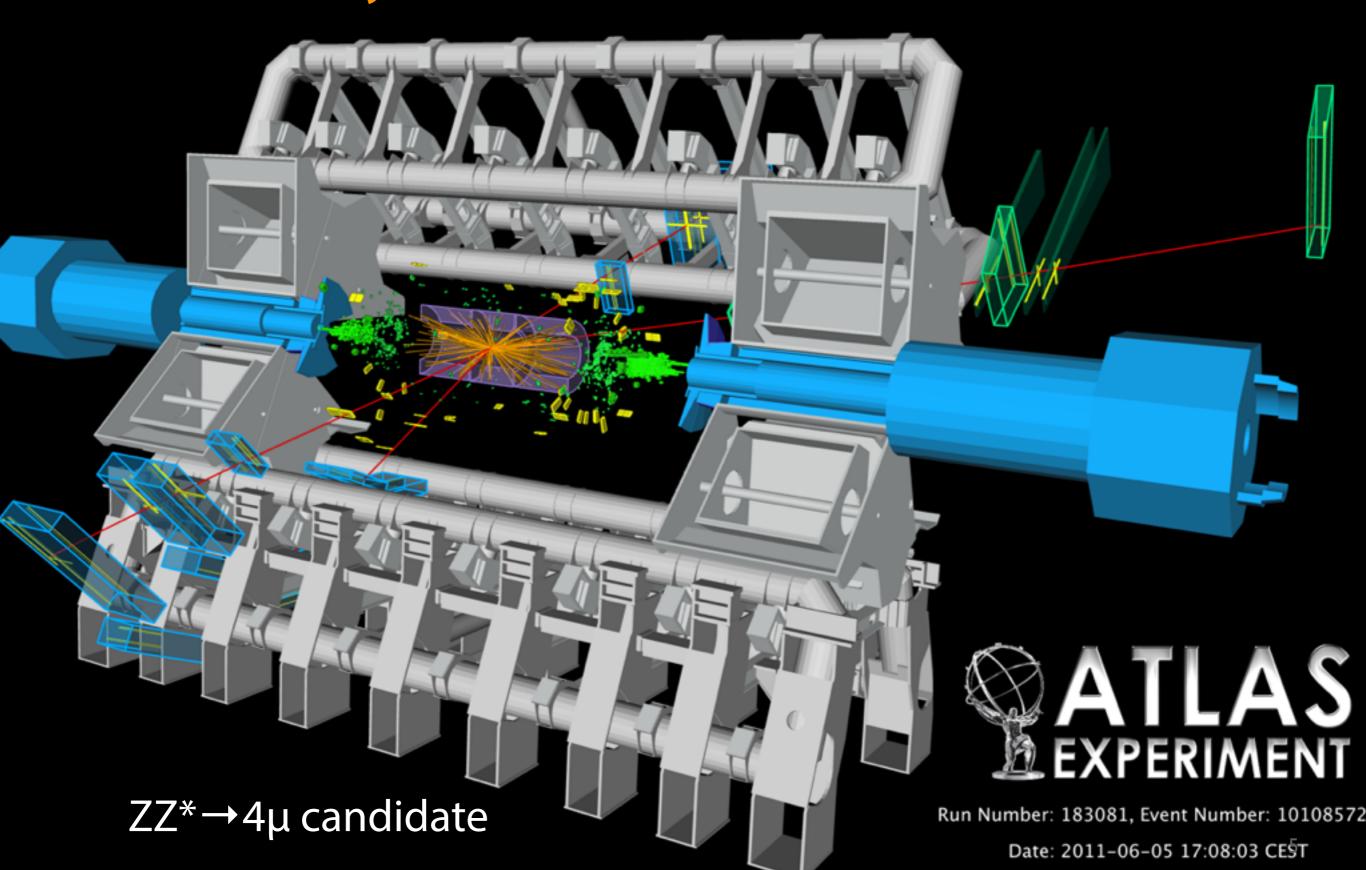






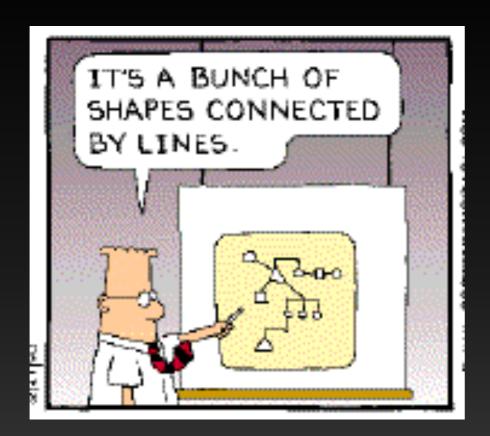
#### In Reality?

... a bit more complicated



#### Introduction

- in this lecture I will discuss the most complex and CPU consuming aspect of event reconstruction at the LHC
  - → finding trajectories (tracks) of charged particles produced in p-p collisions
- will have to introduce various techniques for
  - → pattern recognition, detector geometry, track fitting, extrapolation ...
  - → including mathematical concepts and aspects of software design



... so why does it matter?



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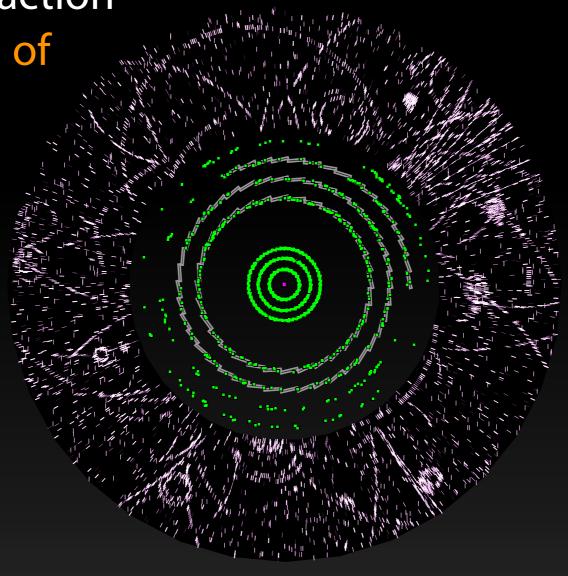
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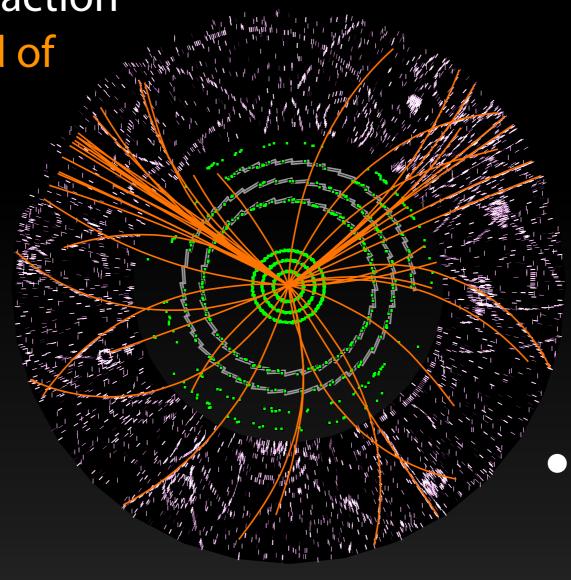
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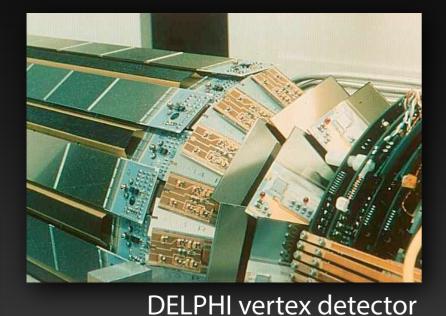


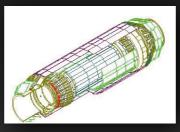
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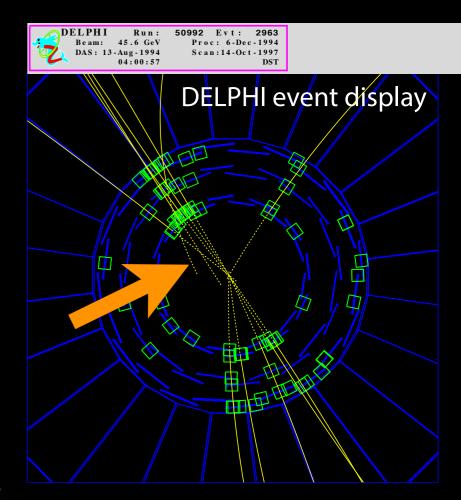
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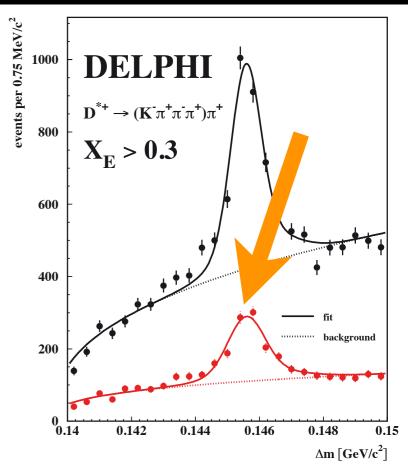
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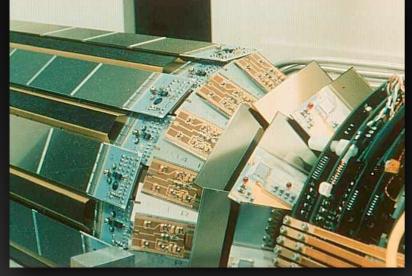


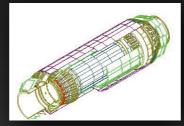


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    - start track finding in vertex detector
  - → factor ~ 2.5 more D\* signal after reprocessing

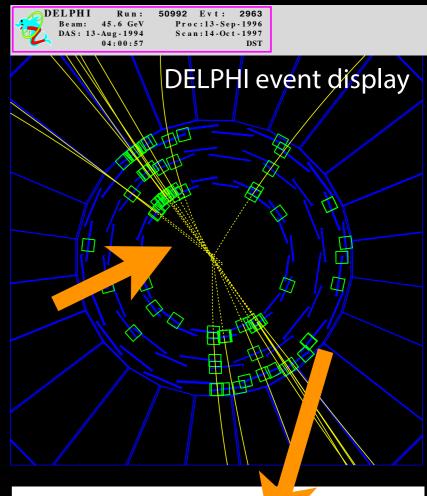
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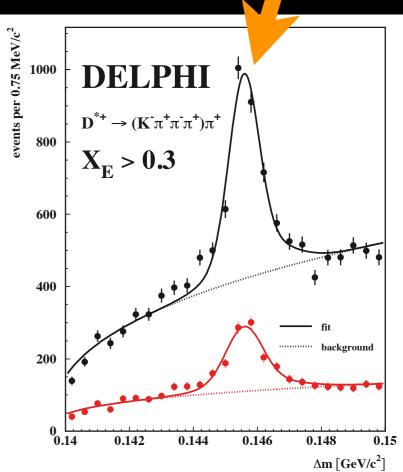






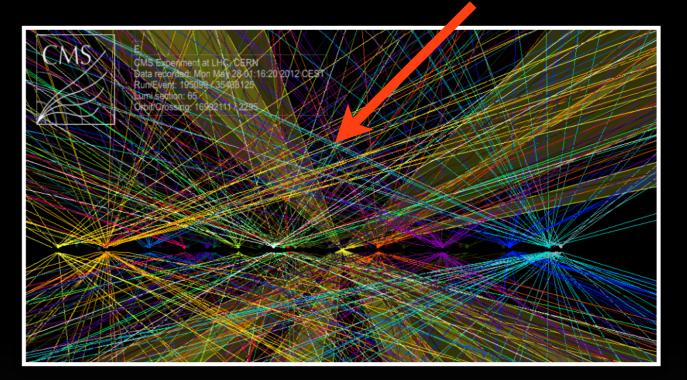


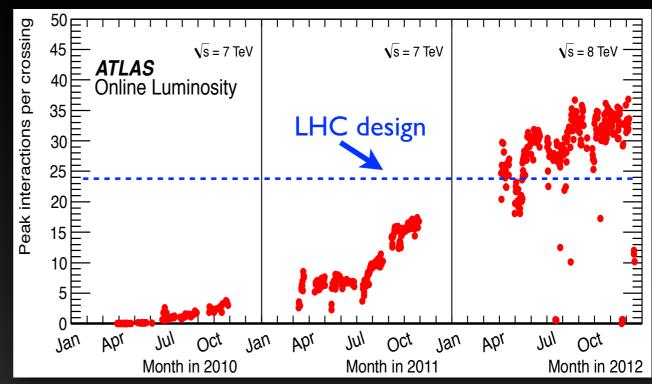




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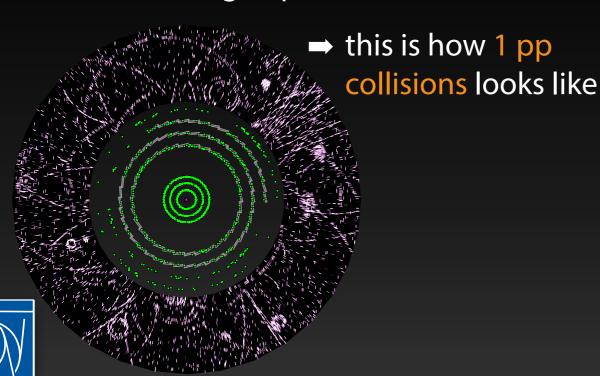


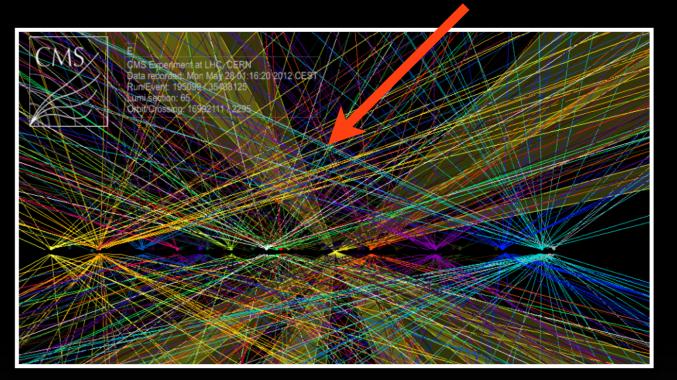


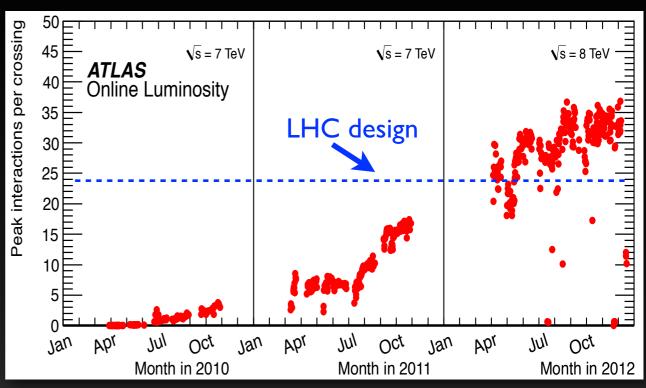


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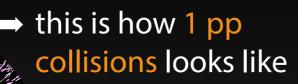






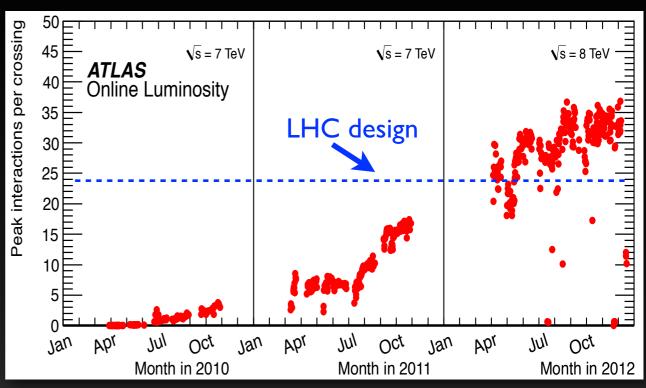
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- now imagine30 of themoverlapping
- task of tracking software is to resolve the mess ...





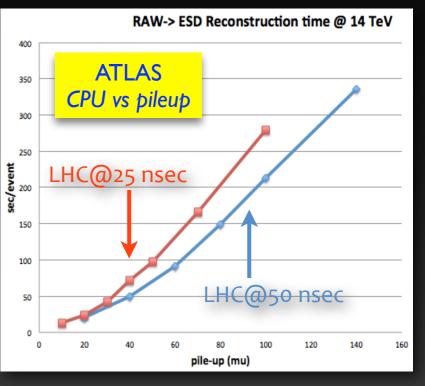
- track reconstruction
  - → combinatorial problem grows with pileup
  - → naturally resource driver (CPU/memory)
- the million dollar question:
  - → how to reconstruct LH-LHC events within resources ? (pileup ~ 140-200)

ATLAS HL-LHC event in new tracker

- event display from title page
- more than 10 years of R&D on LHC tracking software
  - → we knew that tracking at the LHC is going to be challenging
    - building on techniques developed for previous experiments
  - → processor technologies will change in the future
    - need to rethink some of the design decisions we did
    - adapt software to explore modern CPUs: vectorisation, multi-threading, data locality...







#### Outline of this Lecture

- Tracking Detectors
  - → semiconductor tracker
  - → drift tubes
- Charged Particle Trajectories and Extrapolation
  - → trajectory representations and trajectory following in a realistic detector
  - → detector description, navigation and simulation toolkits
- Track Fitting
  - → classical least square track fit and a Kalman filter track fit
  - → examples for advanced techniques
- Track Finding
  - → search strategies, Hough transforms, progressive track finding, ambiguity solution



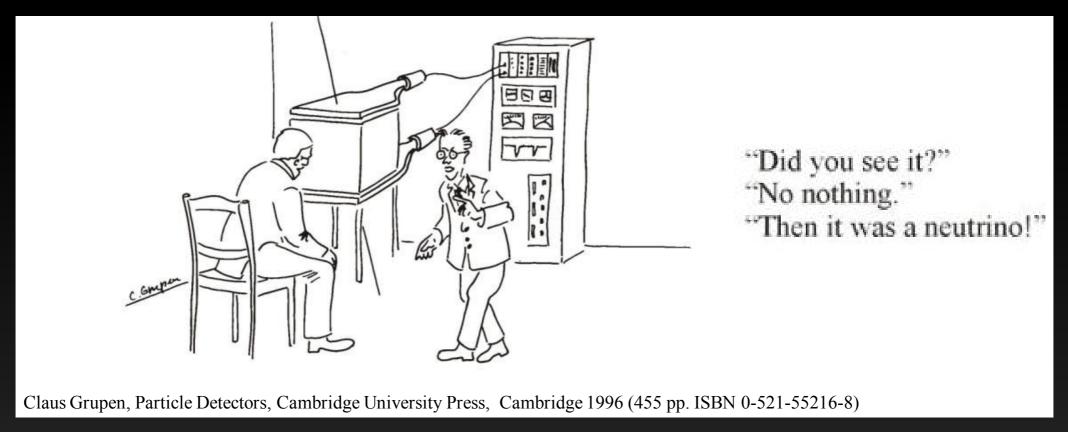
ATLAS Track Reconstruction

## Tracking Detectors



#### Passage of Particles through Matter

- any device that is to detect a particle must interact with it in some way
  - → well, almost...
  - → in many experiments neutrinos are measured by missing transverse momentum

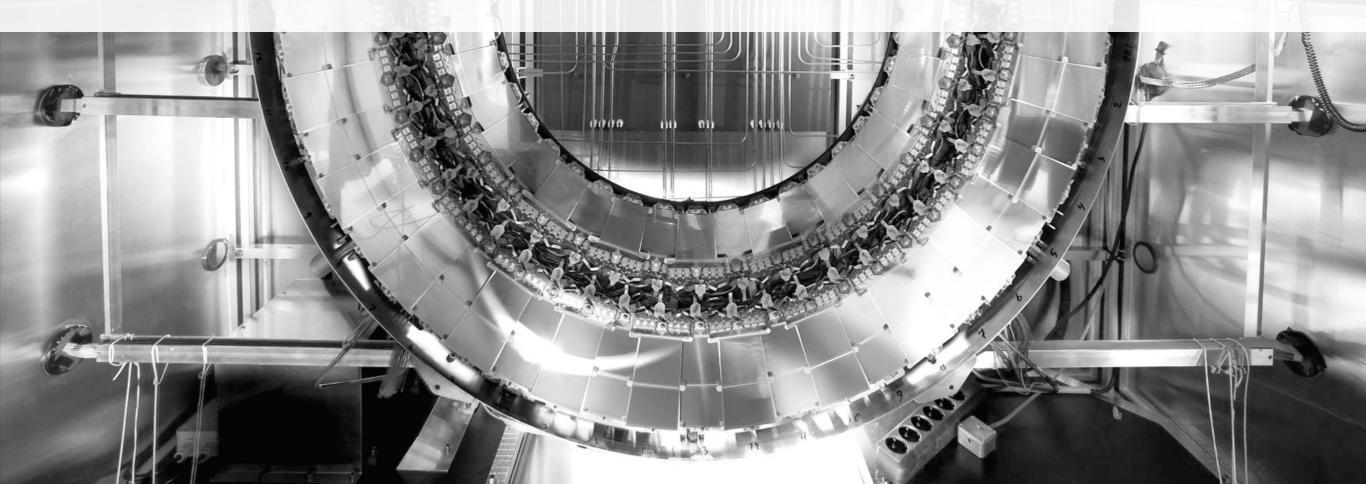


- → tracking detectors explore effects like ionisation to measure charged particles
  - let's discuss the basic principles of semiconductor trackers and drift tubes



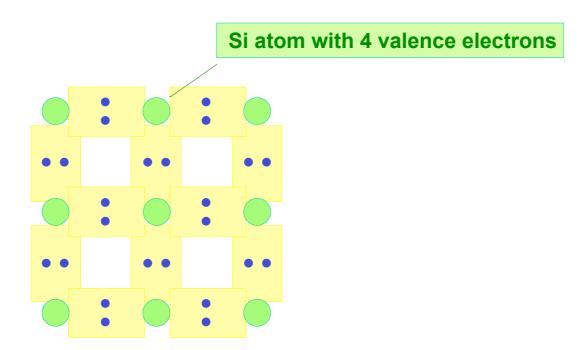


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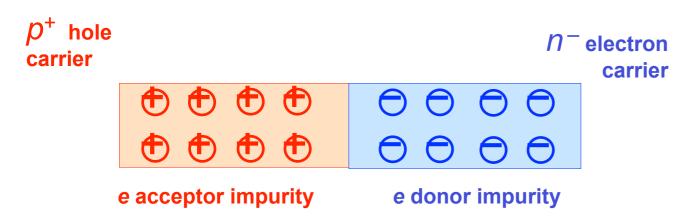
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- p doping adds electro-phile atoms
- n doping adds electro-phobe atoms



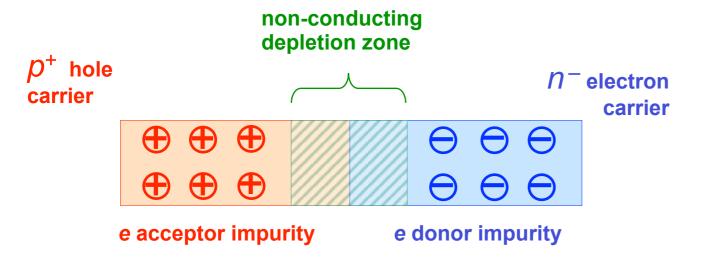
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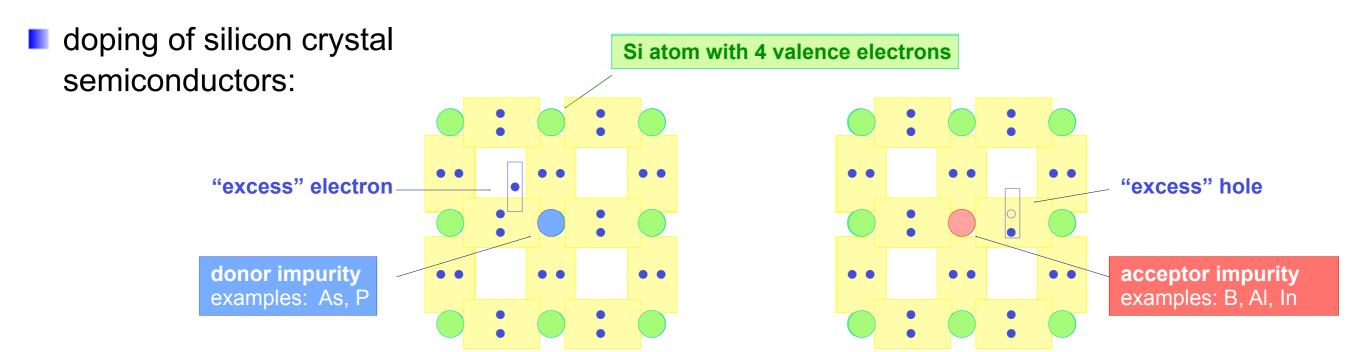
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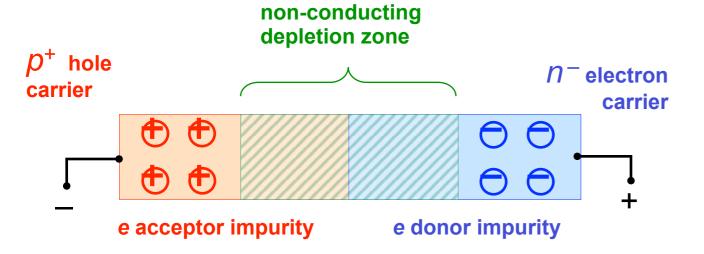


- in the junction zone, electron-hole pairs recombine creating depletion
- the potential barrier in the junction counter-weighs the doping potential





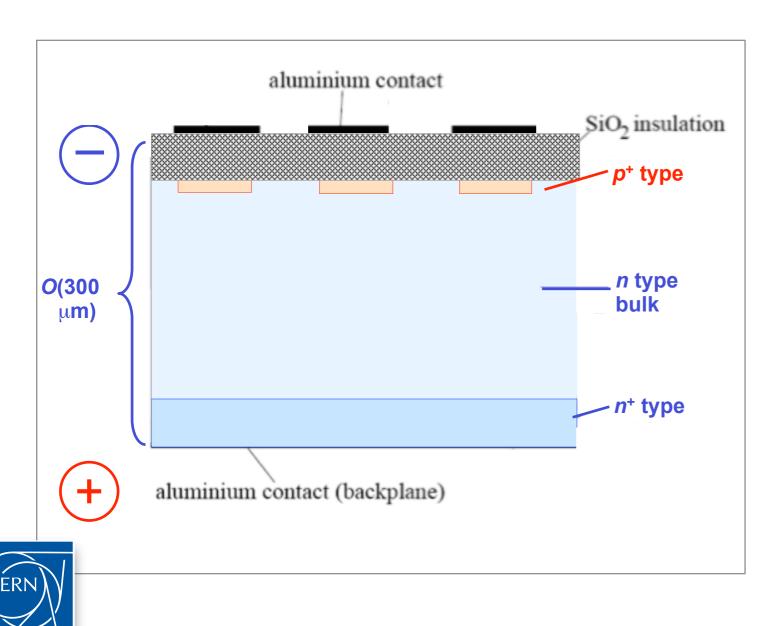
#### reverse bias *p*–*n* junction



- the reversed bias voltage increases the potential barrier in the depletion zone, enhancing its resistance
- minimal current across the junction

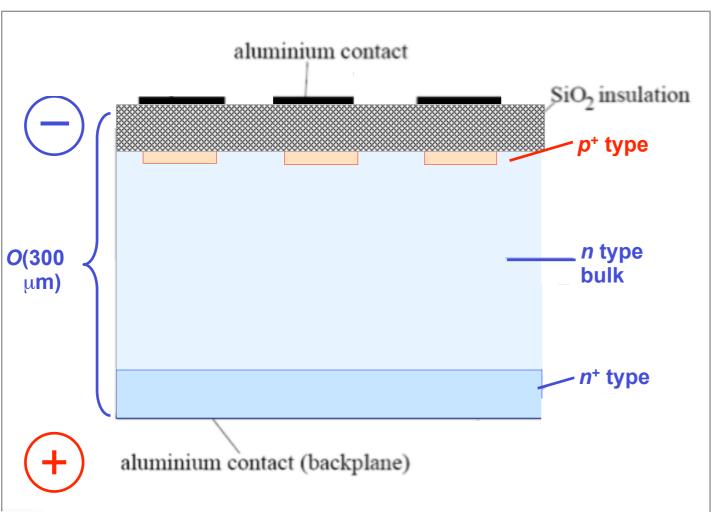


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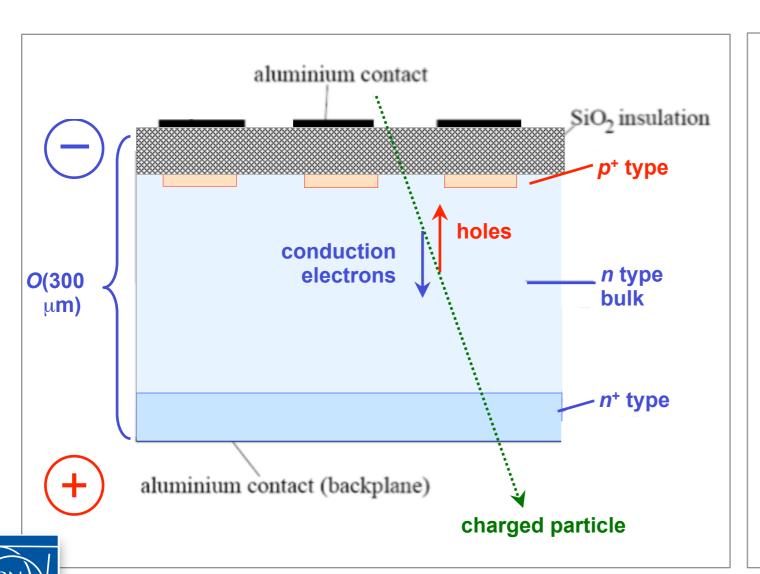
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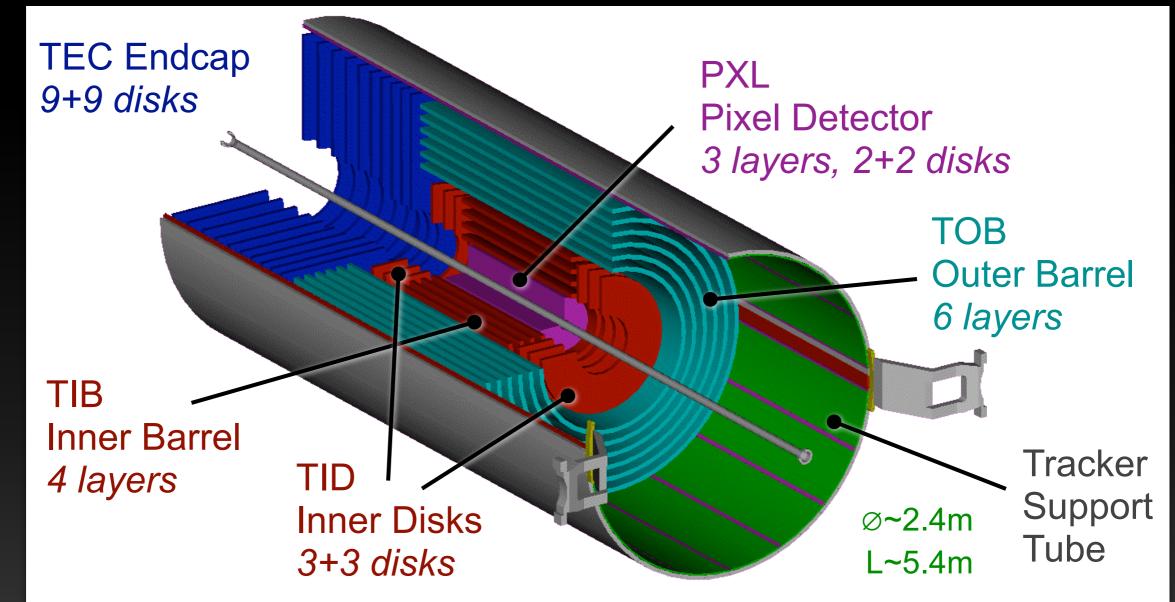
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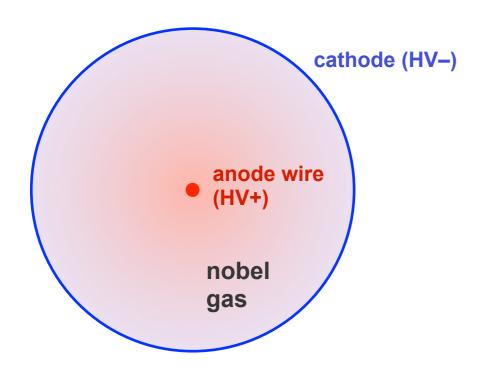
- largest silicon tracker ever built
  - → Pixels: 66M channels, 100x150 µm² Pixel
  - Si-Strip detector: ~23m³, 210m² of Si area, 10.7M channels





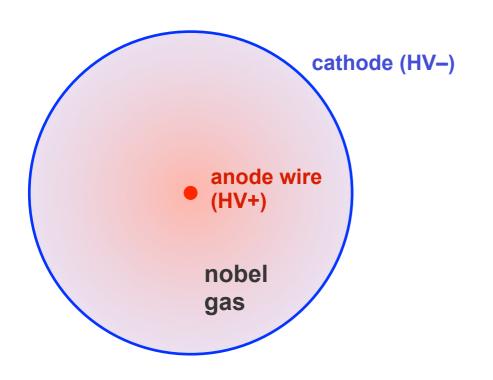


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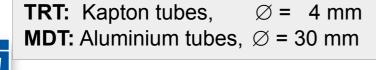




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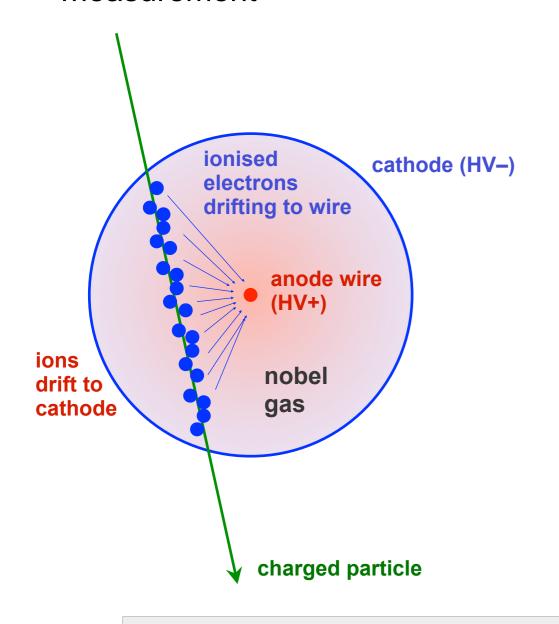


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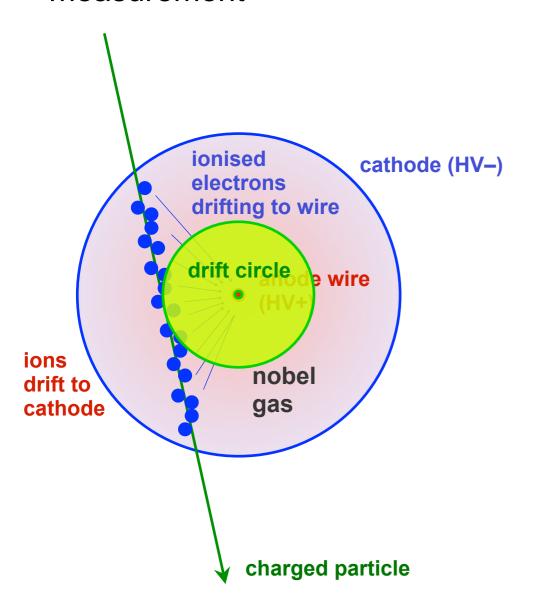
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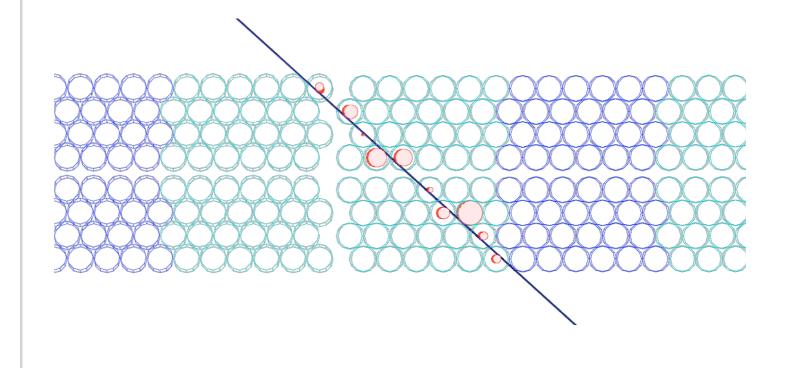


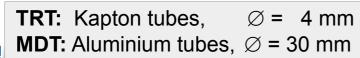


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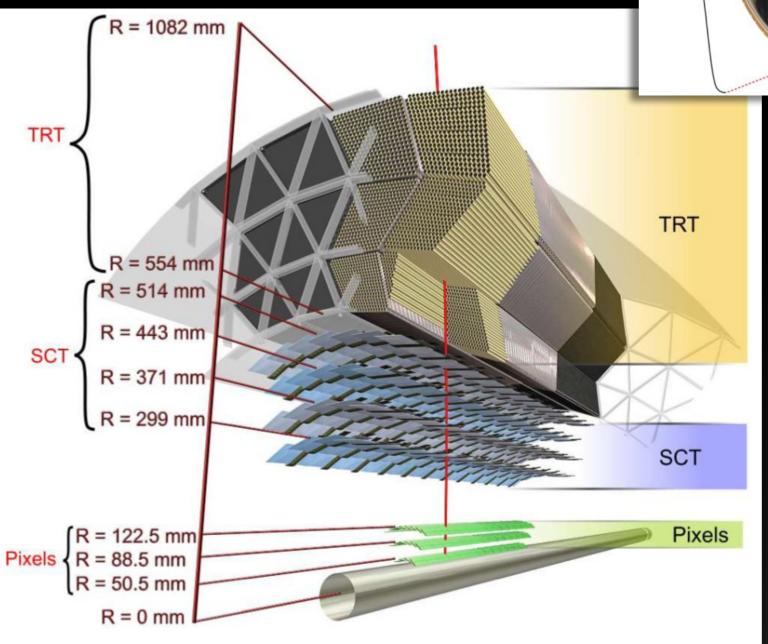
example: segment in muon drift tubes reconstruction from measured drift circles (left-right ambiguity)

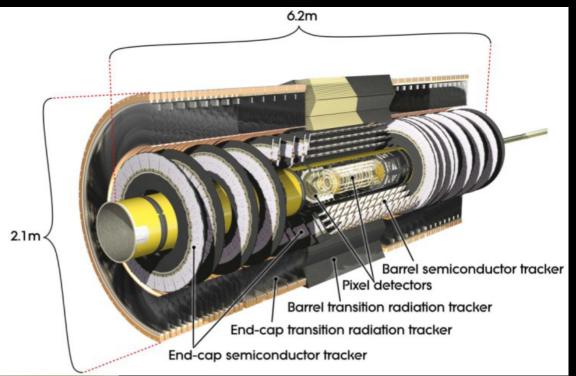




#### **ATLAS** Inner Detector

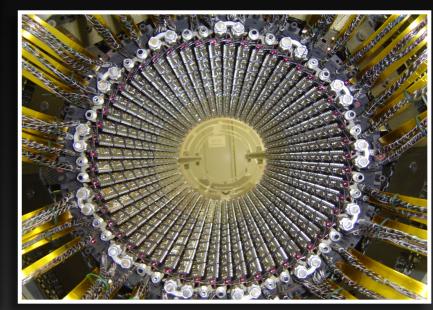
expanded view of barrel





#### barrel track passes:

- → ~36 TRT 4mm straws
- → 4x2 silicon Strips on stereo modules
- → 3 Pixel layers





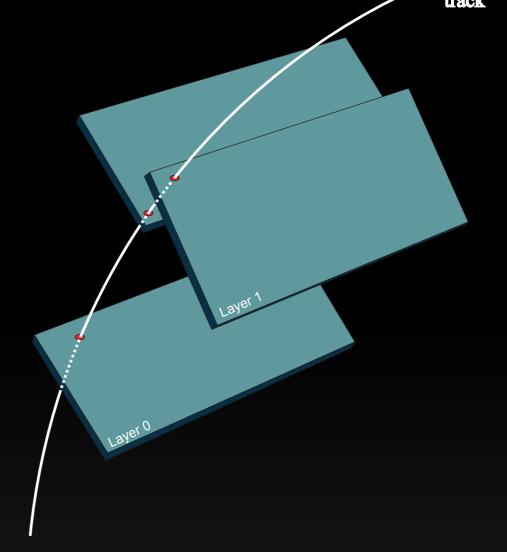
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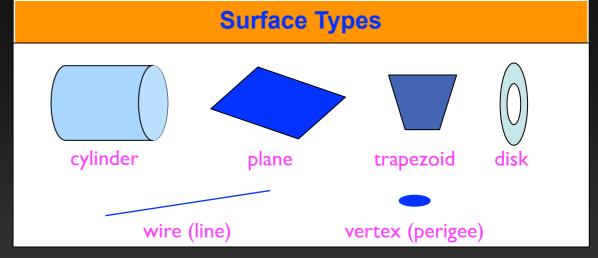


A Trajectory of a Charged Particle

- → in a solenoid B field a charged particle trajectory is describing a helix
  - a circle in the plane perpendicular to the field (Rφ)
  - a path (not a line) at constant polar angle (θ) in the Rz plane
- a trajectory in space is defined byparameters
  - the local position (l<sub>1</sub>,l<sub>2</sub>) on a plane, a cylinder, ..., on the surface or reference system
  - the direction in  $\theta$  and  $\varphi$  plus the curvature Q/P<sub>T</sub>
- → ATLAS choice:

$$\vec{p} = (l_1, l_2, \theta, \phi, Q/P)$$

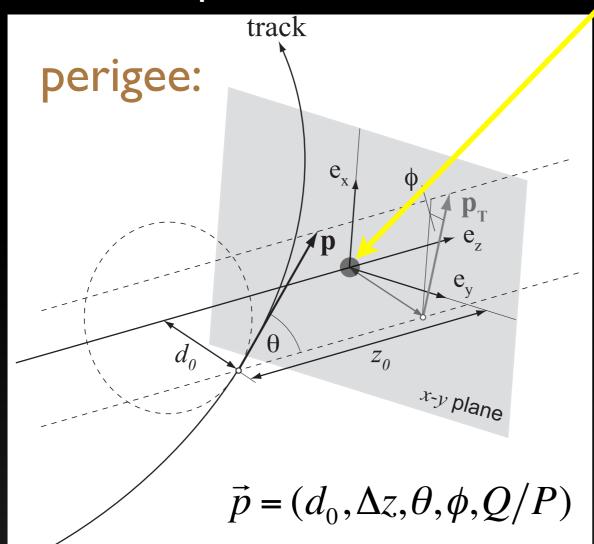






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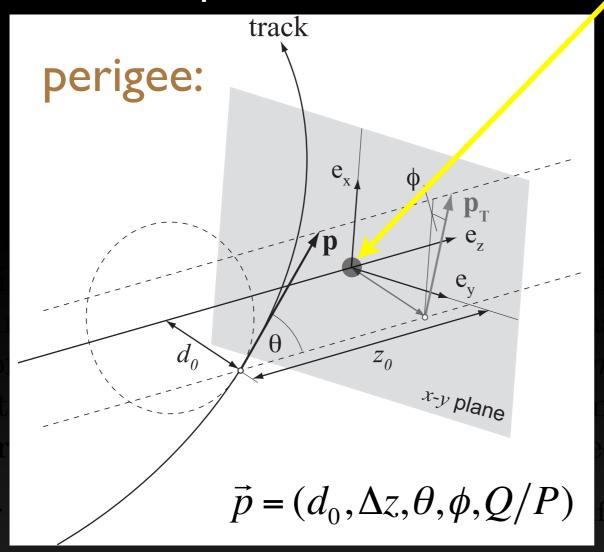
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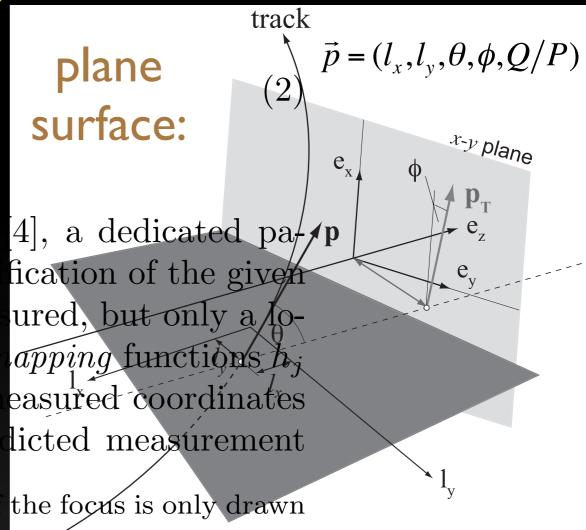
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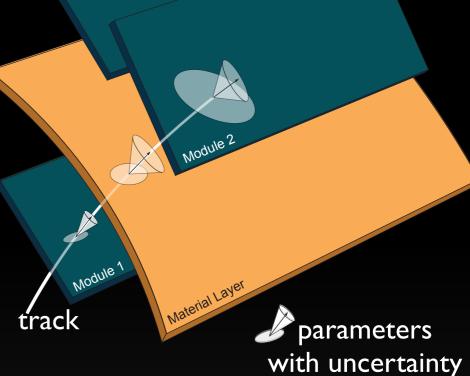
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#### Effects of Material and realistic B-Field

#### • realistic non-homogeneous B-field

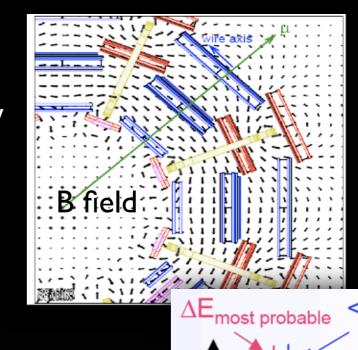
- → analytical helix propagation has to be replaced by numerical B-field integration along the path of the trajectory
- → in ATLAS and CMS a 4th order adaptive Runge-Kutta-Nystrom approach is used
- → propagates covariance matrix in parallel (Bugge, Myrheim, 1981, NIM 179, p.365)
  - ▶ for experts: muon reconstruction in ATLAS+CMS uses the STEP track model with continuous energy loss and multiple scattering

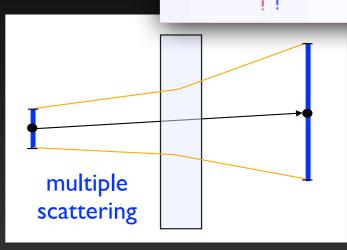
#### energy loss

- $\rightarrow$  use most probably energy loss for x/X<sub>0</sub>
- ⇒ correct momentum (curvature) and its covariance

#### multiple scattering

- ⇒ increases uncertainty on direction of track
- $\rightarrow$  for given x/X<sub>0</sub> traversed add term to covariances of  $\theta$  and  $\varphi$  on a material "layer"

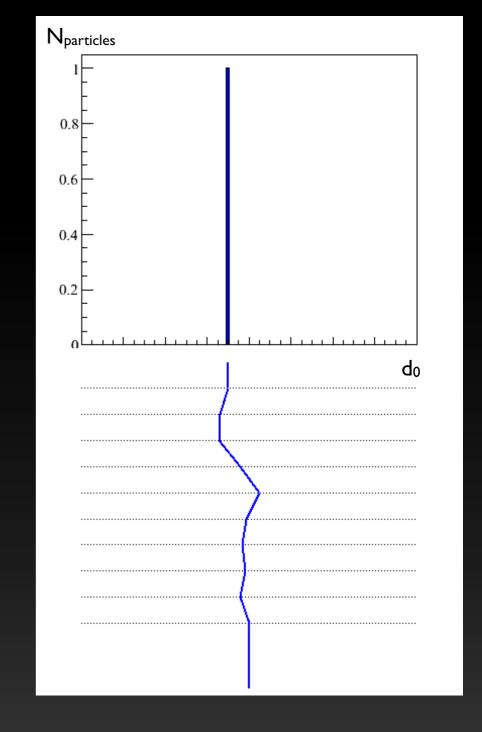






# Illustration of Multiple Scattering Effect

- toy simulation
  - ⇒ simulation of single particle traversing a set of individual thin material layers
    - single scattering steps accumulate

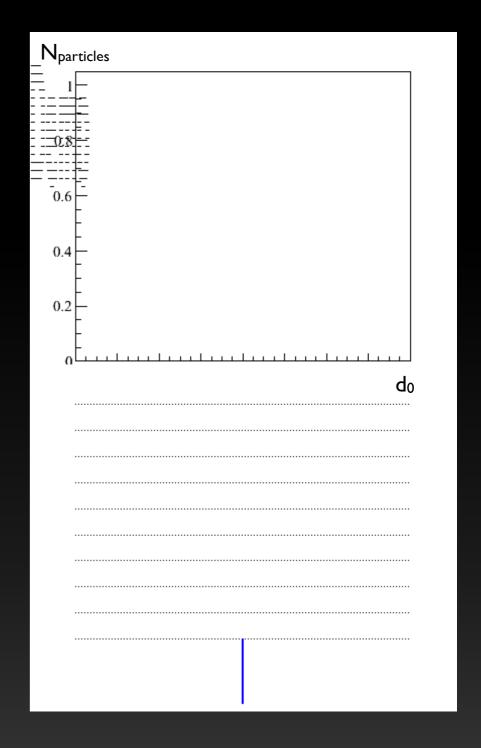




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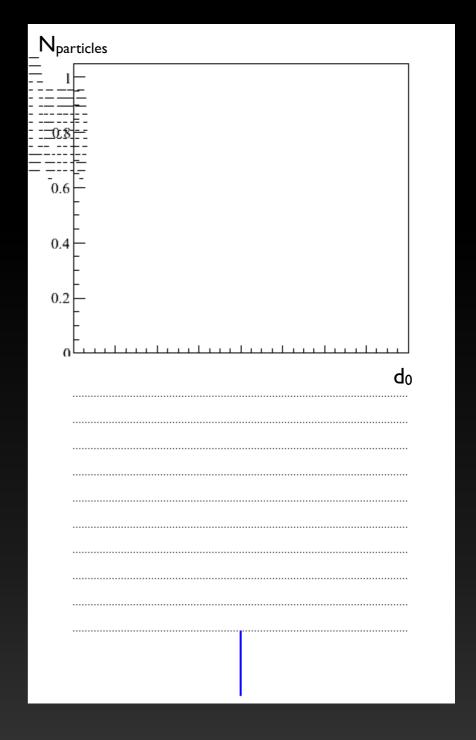




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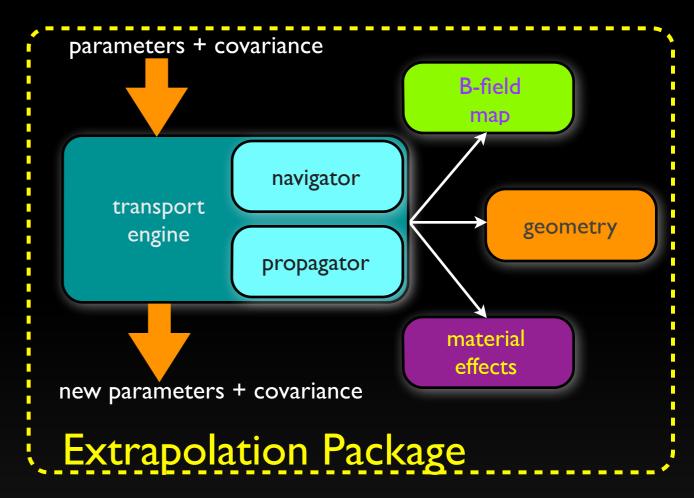


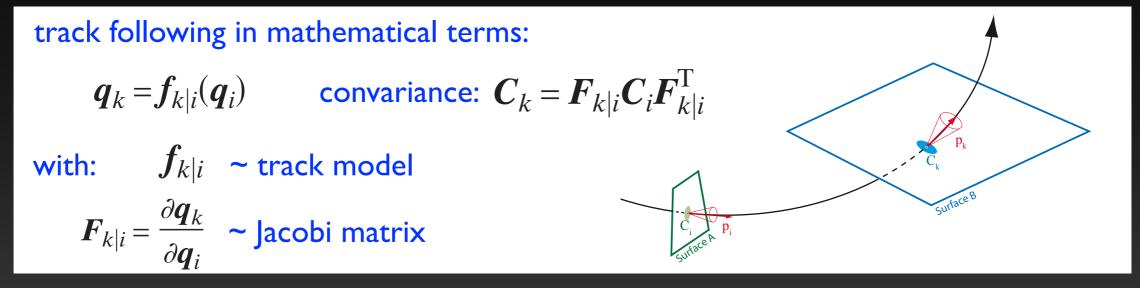




## The Track Extrapolation Package

- a transport engine used in tracking software
  - → central tool for pattern recognition, track fitting, etc.
  - parameter transport from surface
     to surface, including covariance
  - encapsulates the track model, geometry and material corrections

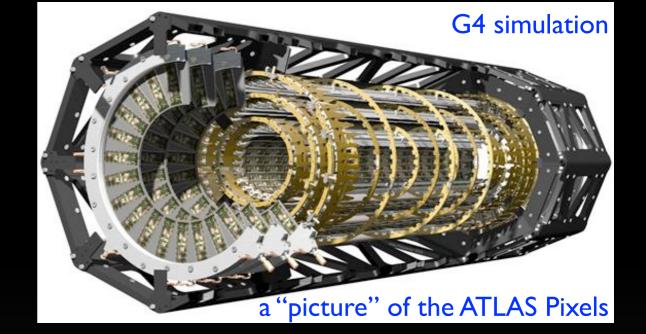






#### **Detector Geometry**

- interactions in detector material limiting tracking performance
  - → LHC detectors are complex
    - require to very detailed description of their geometry
  - → experiments developed geometry models (translation into G4 simulation)
    - huge number of volumes



- physics requirement to reach LHC goals (e.g. W mass)
  - control material close to beam pipe at % level

	model	placed volumes
ALICE	Root	4.3 M
ATLAS	GeoModel	4.8 M
CMS	DDD	2.7 M
LHCb	LHCb Det.Des.	18.5 M



# Weighing Detectors during Construction Session 1988

- huge effort in experiments
  - → put each individual detector part on balance and compare with model
  - → CMS and ATLAS measured weight of their tracker and its components
  - → correct the geometry implementation in simulation and reconstruction

CMS	estimated from measurements	simulation
active Pixels	2598 g	2455 g
full detector	6350 kg	6173 kg

ATLAS	estimated from measurements	simulation
Pixel package	201 kg	197 kg
SCT detector	672 ±15 kg	672 kg
TRT detector	2961 ±14 kg	2962 kg



example: ATLAS TRT measured before and after insertion of the SCT

Date	$\begin{array}{l} \text{ATLAS} \\ \eta \approx 0 \end{array}$	$\eta pprox 1.7$	$\begin{array}{l} \text{CMS} \\ \eta \approx 0 \end{array}$	$\eta pprox 1.7$
1994 (Technical Proposals)	0.20	0.70	0.15	0.60
1997 (Technical Design Reports)	0.25	1.50	0.25	0.85
2006 (End of construction)	0.35	1.35	0.35	1.50

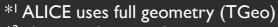


## Full and Fast (Tracking) Geometries

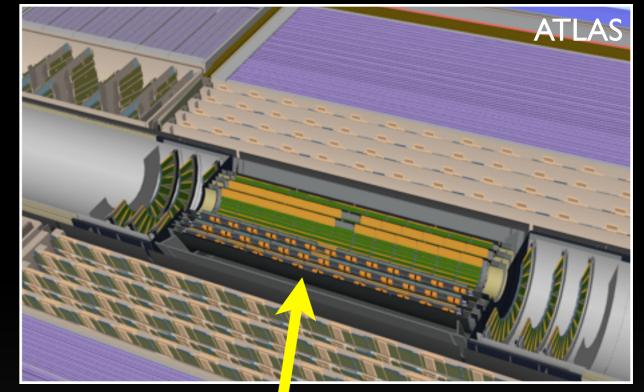
- complex G4 geometries not optimal for reconstruction
  - **→** simplified tracking geometries
  - → material surfaces, field volumes
- reduced number of volumes
  - → blending details of material onto simple surfaces/volumes
  - ⇒ surfaces with 2D material density maps, templates per Si sensor...

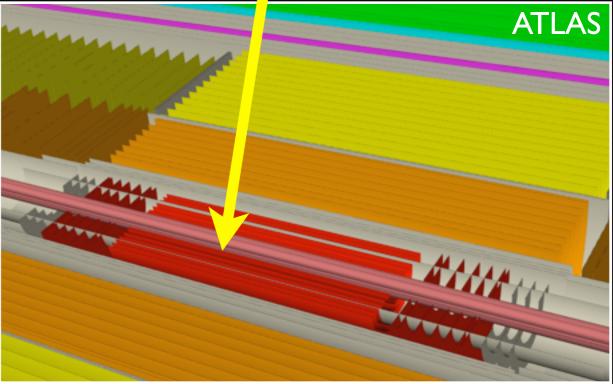
	G4	tracking
ALICE	4.3 M	same *
ATLAS	4.8 M	10.2K *
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LHCb	18.5 M	30





<sup>\*2</sup> plus a surface per Si sensor

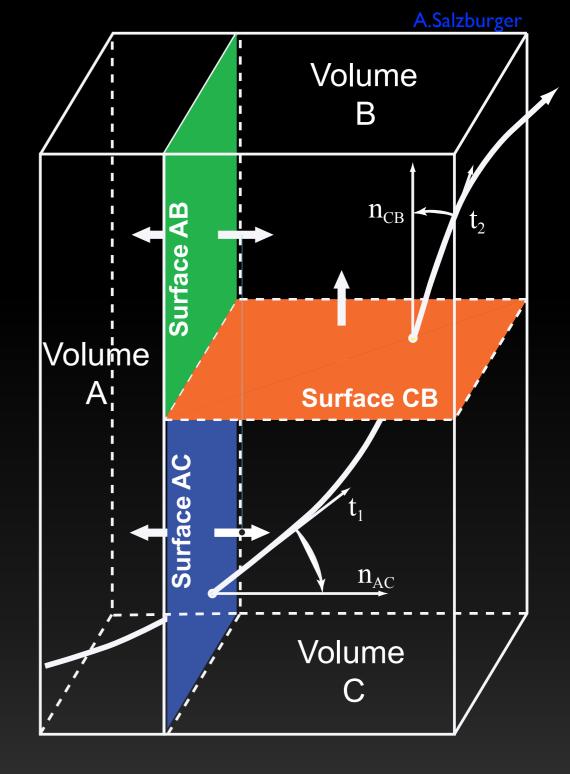




### **Embedded Navigation Schemes**

- embedded navigation scheme in tracking geometries
  - → G4 navigation uses voxelisation as generic navigation mechanism
  - **⇒** embedded navigation for simplified models
    - used in pattern recognition, extrapolation, track fitting and fast simulation
- example: ATLAS
  - → developed geometry of connected volumes
  - boundary surfaces connect neighbouring volumes to predict next step

ATLAS	G4	tracking	ratio
crossed volumes in tracker	474	95	5
time in SI2K sec	19.1	2.3	8.4





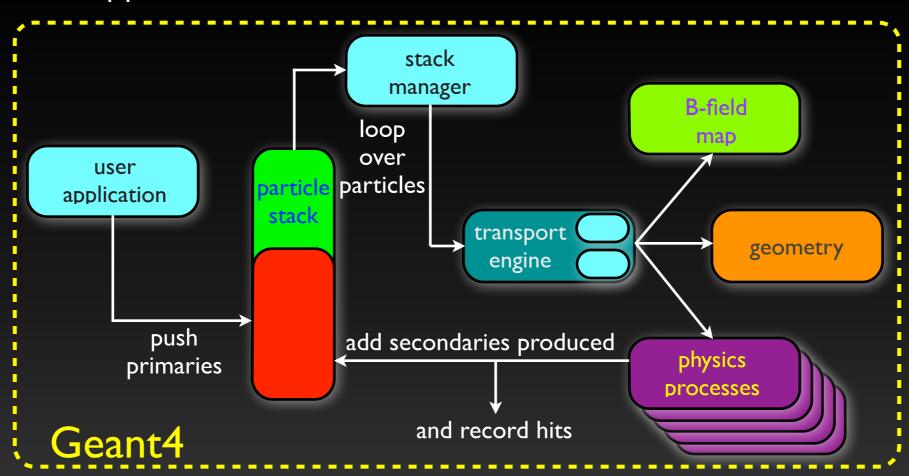
(neutral geantinos, no field lookups)

same concept as for

track reconstruction

#### Detour: Simulation (Geant4)

- Geant4 is based upon
  - ⇒ stack to keep track of all particles produced and stack manager
  - **⇒** extrapolation system to propagate each particle:
    - transport engine with navigation
    - geometry model
    - B-field
  - ⇒ set of physics processes describing interaction of particles with matter
  - ⇒ a user application interface, ...







#### **Fast Simulation**

- CPU needs for full G4 exceeds computing models
  - → simulation strategies of experiments mix full G4 and fast simulation

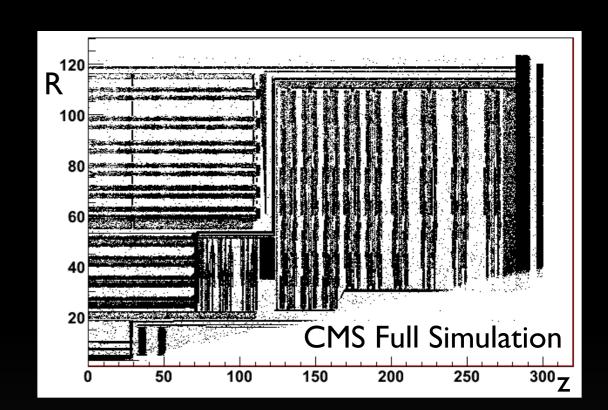
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ATLAS	1990	7.4

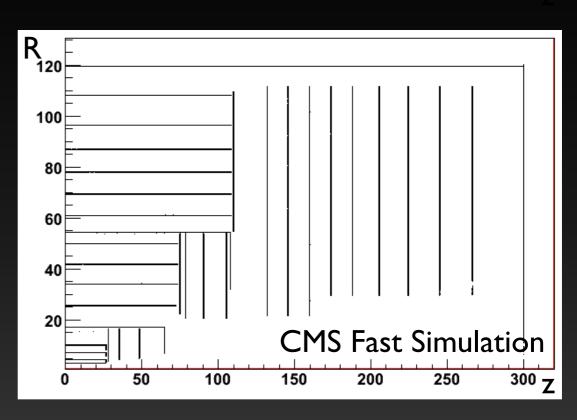


• G4 differences: calo.modeling , phys.list, η cuts, b-field

#### fast simulation engines

- → fast calo. simulation (parameterization, showers libraries, ...)
- → simplified tracking geometries
- ⇒ simplify physics processes w.r.t. G4
- → output in same data model as full sim.
- → able to run full reconstruction (+trigger)







# Back to Tracking: Track Fitting





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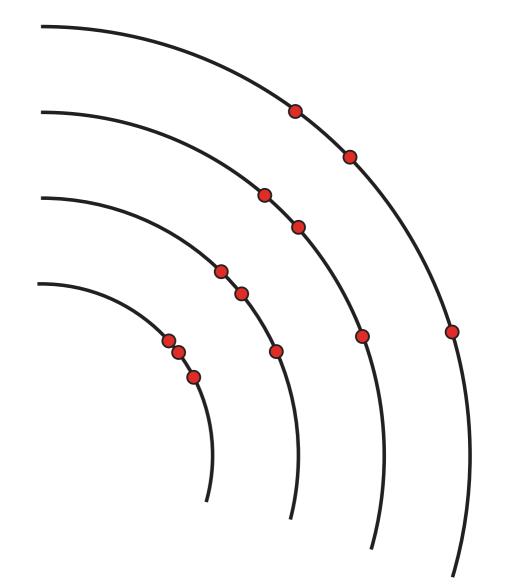
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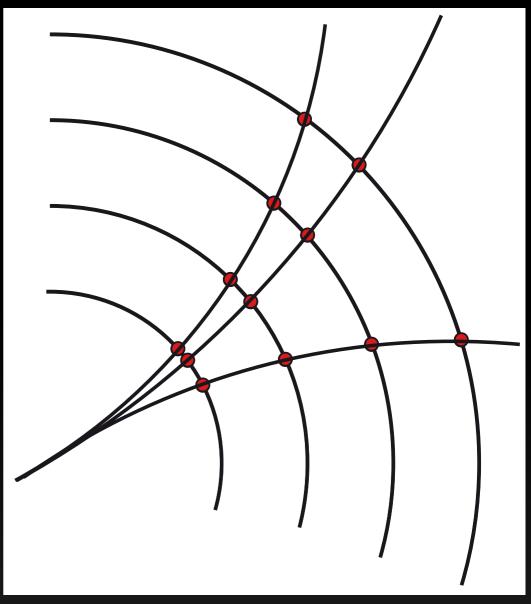


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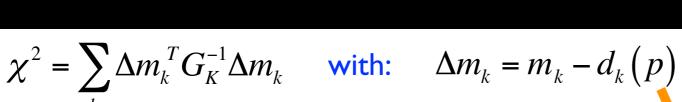


# Classical Least Square Track Fit

Carl Friedrich Gauss is credited with developing the fundamentals of the basis for leastes planes analysis in 1795 at the age of eighteen.

Legendre was the first to publish the method, however.





 $d_k$  contains measurement model and propagation of the parameters  $p: d_k = h_k \circ f_{k|k-1} \circ \cdots \circ f_{2|1} \circ f_{1|0}$ 

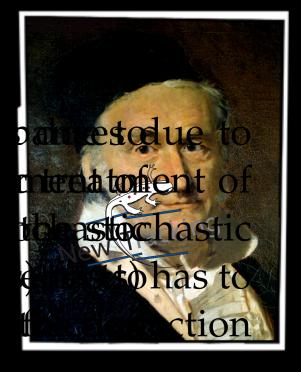
 $G_k$  is the covariance matrix of  $m_k$ . Linearize the problem:

$$d_k(p_0 + \delta p) \cong d_k(p_0) + D_k \cdot \delta p + \text{higher terms}$$

with Jacobian:  $\boldsymbol{D}_k = \boldsymbol{H}_k \boldsymbol{F}_{k|k-1} \cdots \boldsymbol{F}_{2|1} \boldsymbol{F}_{1|0}$ 

minimizing the linearized  $\chi^2$  yields:

$$\frac{\partial \chi^2}{\partial p} = 0 \implies \delta p = \left(\sum_k D_k^T G_k^{-1} D_k\right)^{-1} \sum_k D_k^T G_k^{-1} \left(m_k - d_k(p_0)\right)$$
and covariance of  $\delta p$  is:  $C = \left(\sum_k D_k^T G_k^{-1} D_k\right)^{-1}$ 



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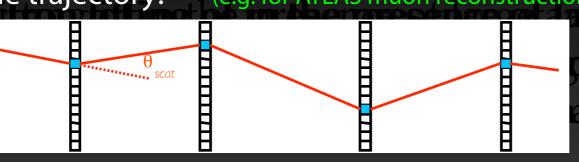
- $\rightarrow$  can be absorbed in track model  $\mathbf{f}_{k|i}$ , provided effects are small
- → for substantial multiple scatting, allows for scattering angles in the fit
- scattering angles

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- $\rightarrow$  on each material surface, add 2 angles  $\delta\theta_i$  as fee parameters to the fit
- ightharpoonup expected mean of those angles is 0 (!), their covariance  $Q_i$  is given by multiple scattering in  $x/X_0$
- changes to x² formula on previous slide

$$\chi^{2} = \sum_{k} \Delta m_{k}^{T} G_{K}^{-1} \Delta m_{k} + \sum_{i} \delta \theta_{i}^{T} Q_{i}^{-1} \delta \theta_{i}$$
with: 
$$\Delta m_{k} = m_{k} - d_{k} (p, \delta \theta_{i})$$

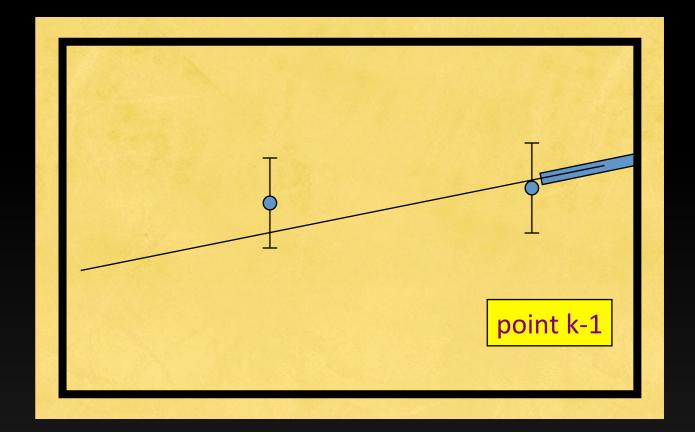
- ⇒ computationally expensive: need to invert a (5+2\*n) matrix
- advantage is that the fitted track precisely follows the particle trajectory: (e.g. for ATLAS muon reconstruction)



scattering

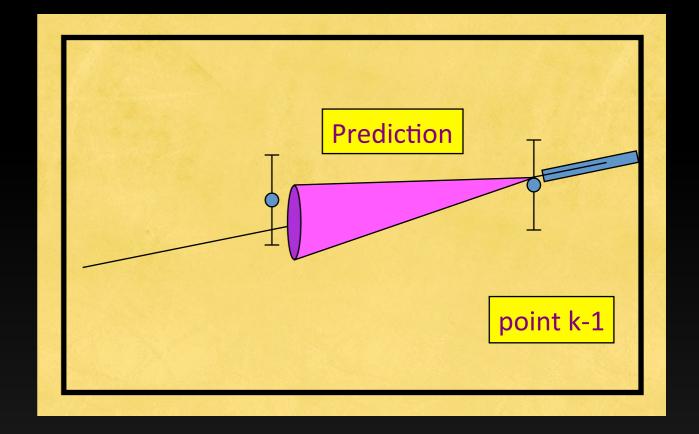
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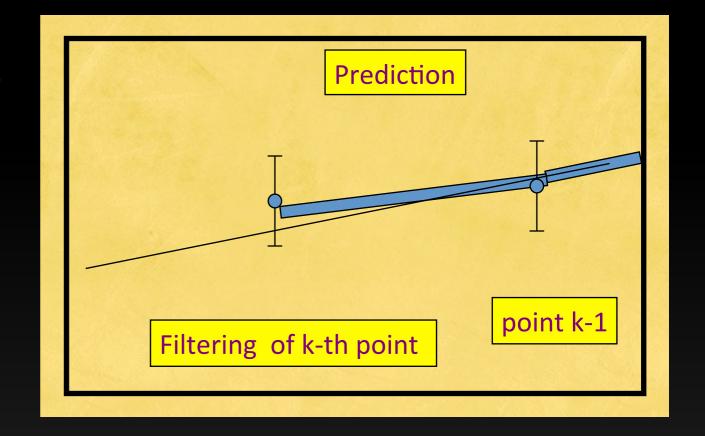


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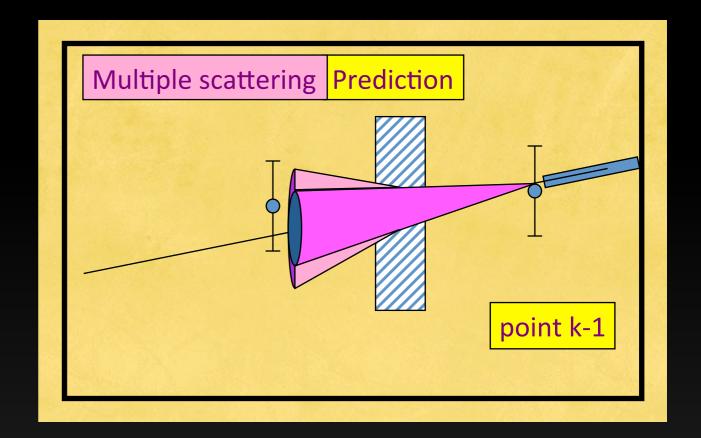


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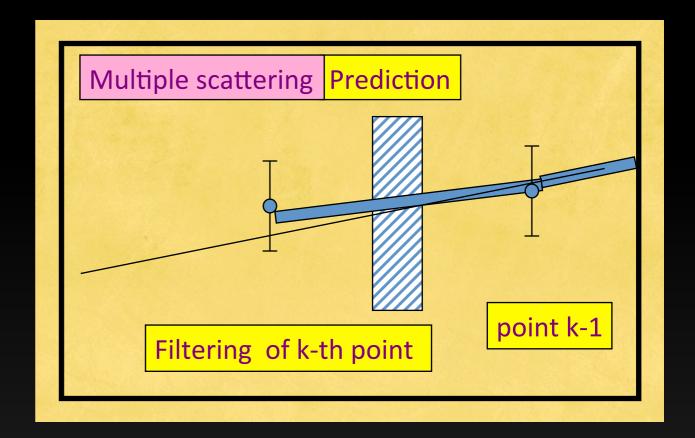
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• in mathematical terms:

I. propagate 
$$p_{k-1}$$
 and its covariance  $C_{k-1}$ :
$$q_{k|k-1} = f_{k|k-1}(q_{k-1|k-1})$$

$$C_{k|k-1} = F_{k|k-1}C_{k-1|k-1}F_{k|k-1}^{T} + Q_k$$
with  $Q_k \sim \text{noise term (M.S.)}$ 

2. update prediction to get  $q_{k|k}$  and  $C_{k|k}$ :

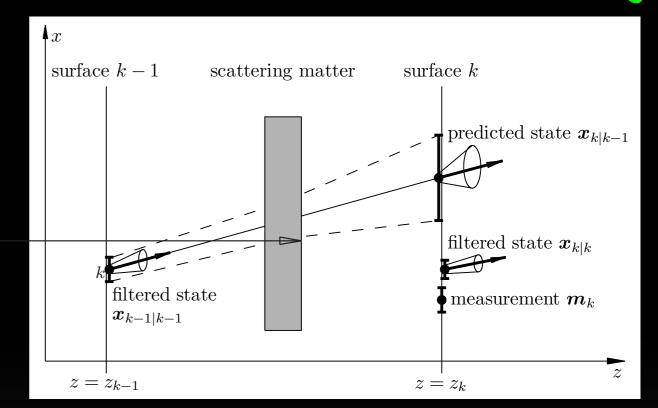
$$\mathbf{q}_{k|k} = \mathbf{q}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k [\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{h}_k (\mathbf{q}_{k|k-1})]$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{k|k} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{H}_k) \mathbf{C}_{k|k-1}$$

with  $K_k \sim \text{gain matrix}$ :

$$\boldsymbol{K}_{k} = \boldsymbol{C}_{k|k-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{k}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{G}_{k} + \boldsymbol{H}_{k} \boldsymbol{C}_{k|k-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{k}^{\mathrm{T}})^{-1}$$

- ⇒ alternative to gain matrix approach is a weighted mean to obtian  $p_{k|k}$ 
  - but requires to invert 5x5 matrix instead of a matrix of  $rank(G_k)$



- Kalman Smoother:
  - → provides full information along track

proceeds from layer k+1 to layer k:

$$q_{k|n} = q_{k|k} + A_k(q_{k+1|n} - q_{k+1|k})$$
  
 $C_{k|n} = C_{k|k} - A_k(C_{k+1|k} - C_{k+1|n})A_k^T$ 

with  $A_k \sim$  smoother gain matrix :

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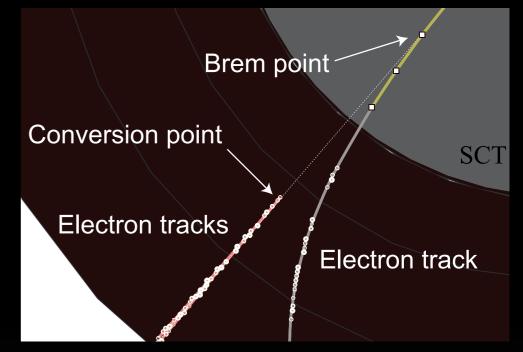
→ equivalent: combine forw./back. filter

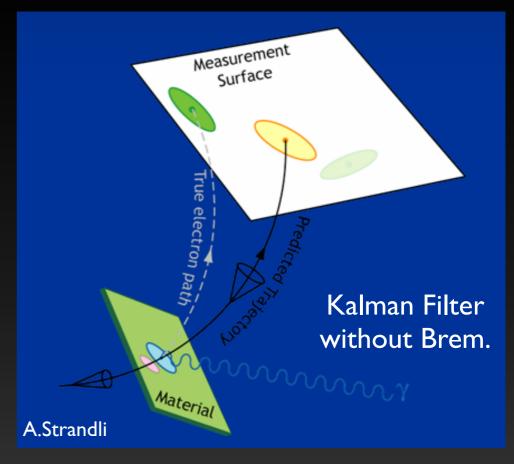




## Brem. Fitting for Electrons

- material in tracker
  - → e-bremsstrahlung and γ-conversions
- electron efficiency limited
  - → momentum loss due to bremsstrahlung leads to large changes in track curvature
  - → fit is biased towards small momenta or fails completely
- techniques to allow for bremsstrahlung in track fitting
  - ⇒ brem. point in Least Square track fit
  - → Kalman Filter with dynamic noise adjustment
  - → Gaussian Sum Filter



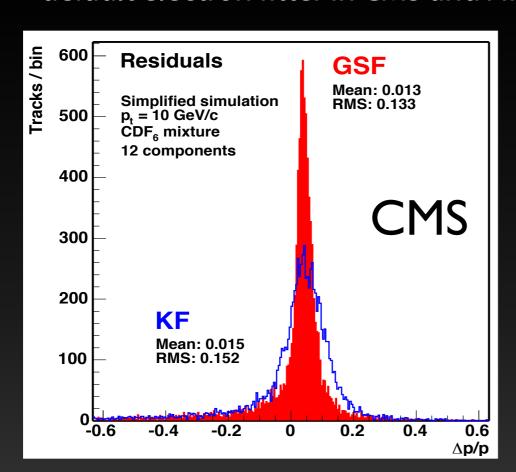


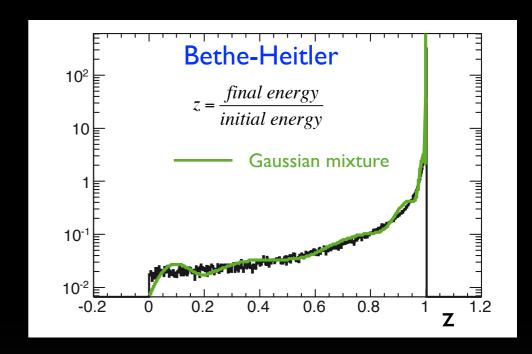


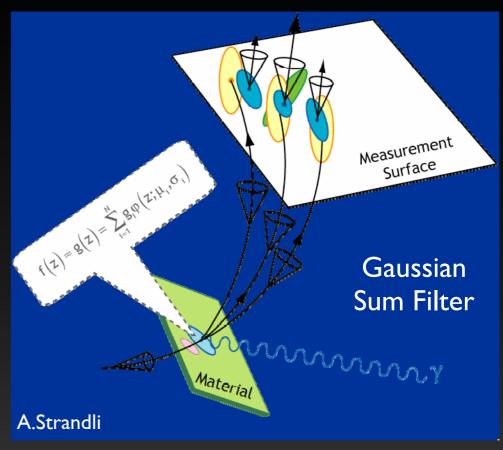


#### Gaussian Sum Filter

- → approximate Bethe-Heitler distribution as Gaussian mixture
  - state vector after material correction becomes sum of Gaussian components
- → GSF resembles set of parallel Kalman Filters for N components
  - computationally expensive!
  - default electron fitter in CMS and ATLAS









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## Deterministic Annealing Filters

#### robust technique

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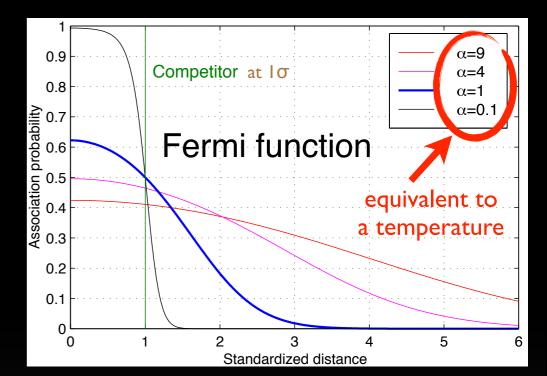
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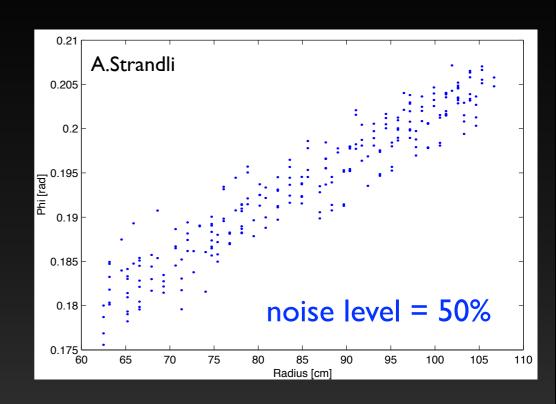
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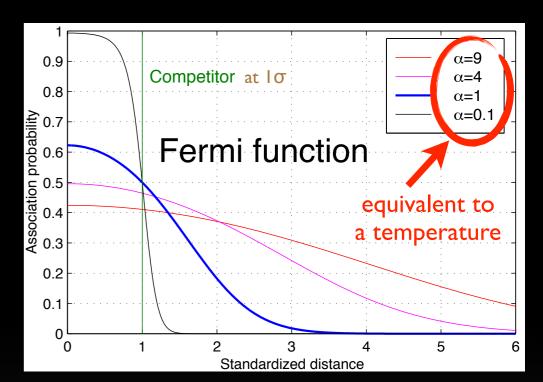
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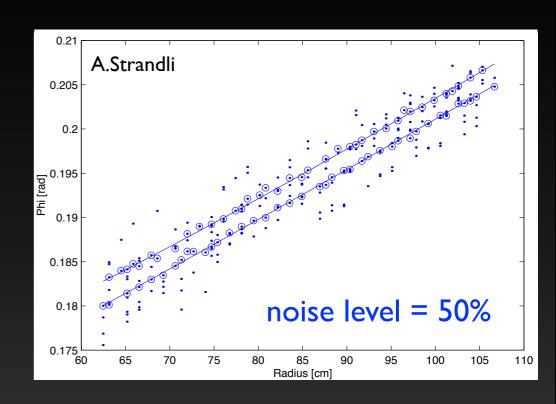
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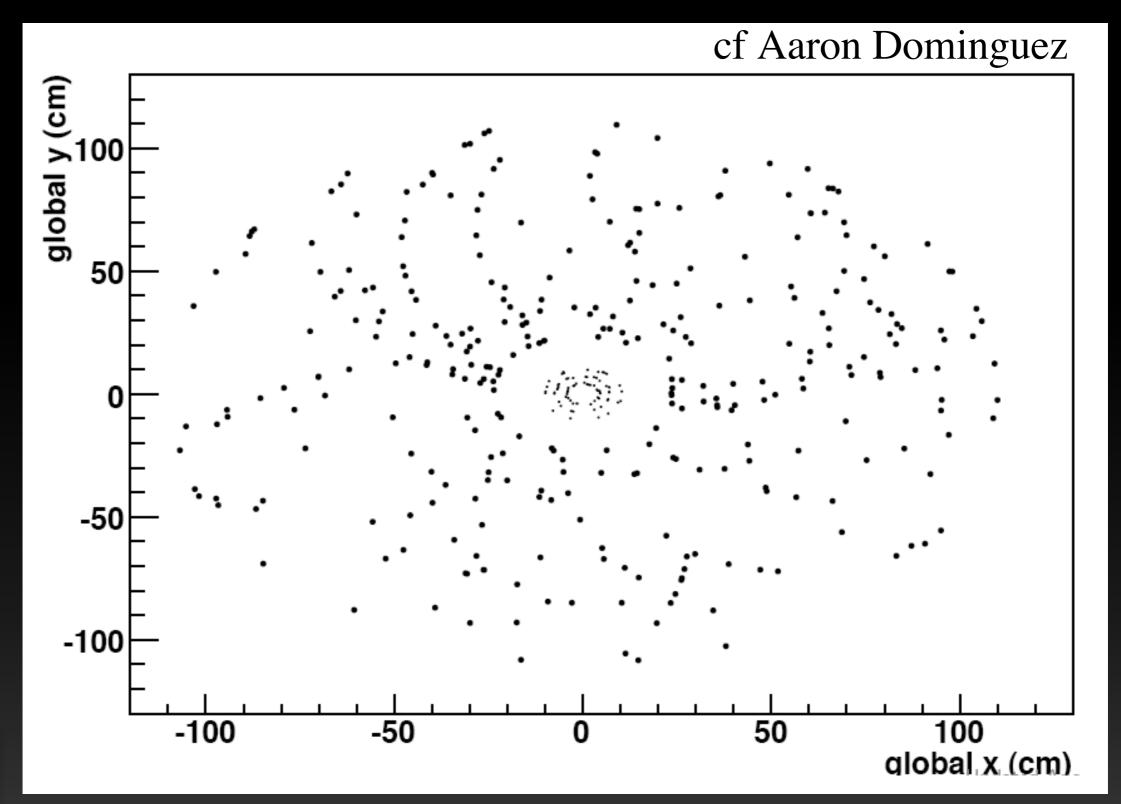




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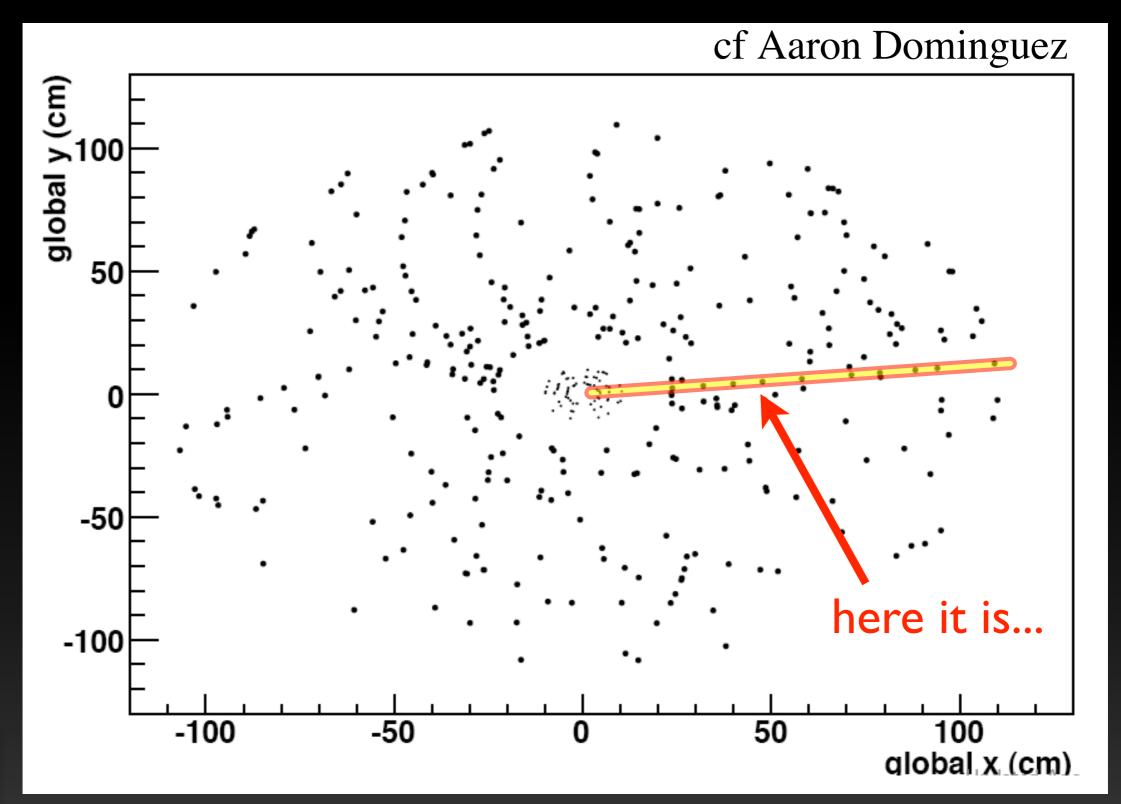
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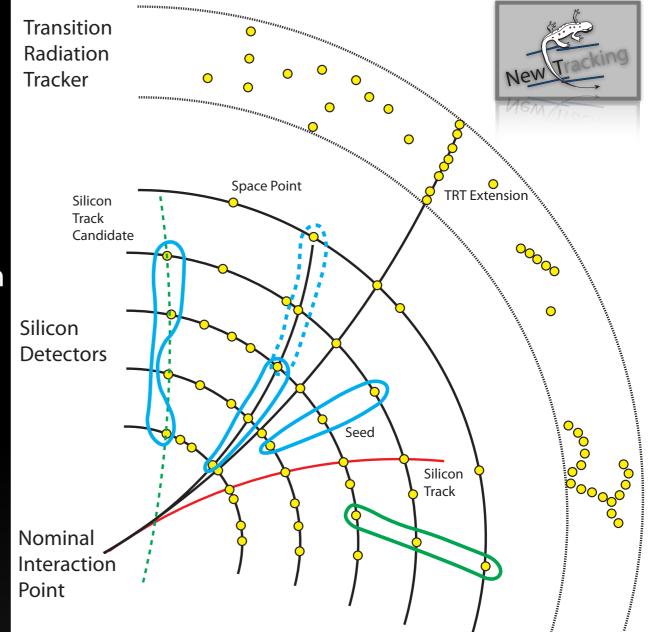
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## Track Finding

- the task of the track finding
  - → identify track candidates in event
  - → cope with the combinatorial explosion of possible hit combinations
- different techniques
  - → rough distinction: local/sequential and global/parallel methods
  - → local method: generate seeds and complete them to track candidates
  - → global method: simultaneous clustering of detector hits into track candidates
- some local methods
  - → track road
  - → track following
  - → progressive track finding



#### some global methods

- → conformal mapping
  - Hough and Legendre transform
- → adaptive methods
  - Hopfield network, Elastic net, Cellular automation ...

(will not discuss the latter)



## Conformal Mapping

#### Hough transform

→ cycles through the origin in x-y transform into straight lines in u-v

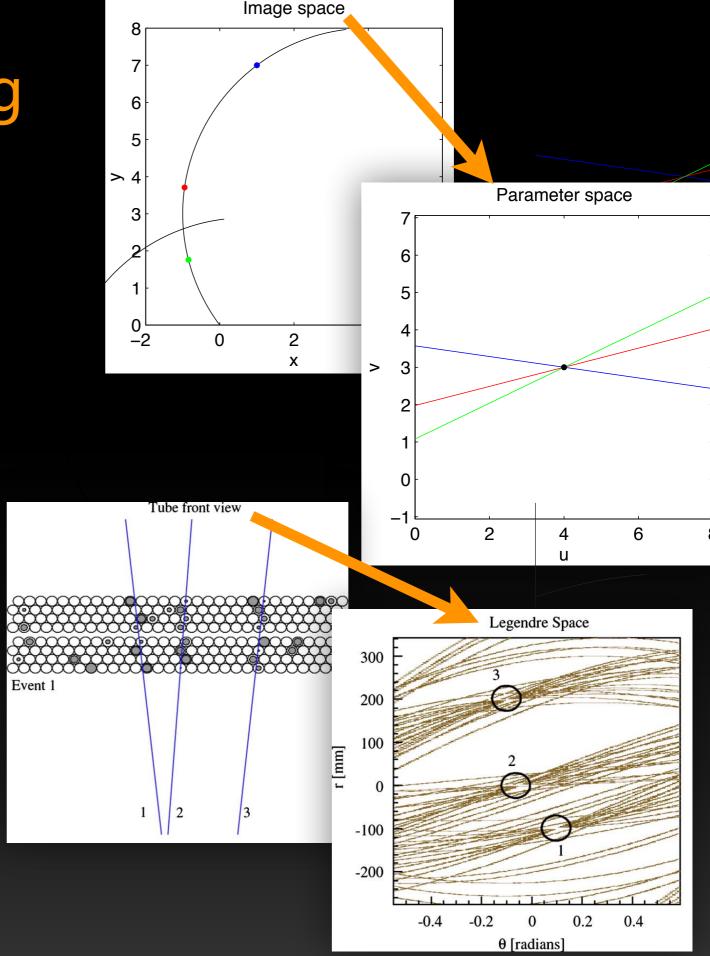
$$u = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}, \quad v = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow v = -\frac{x}{y}u + \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2y}$$

⇒ search for maxima (histogram) in parameter space to find track candidates

#### Legendre transform

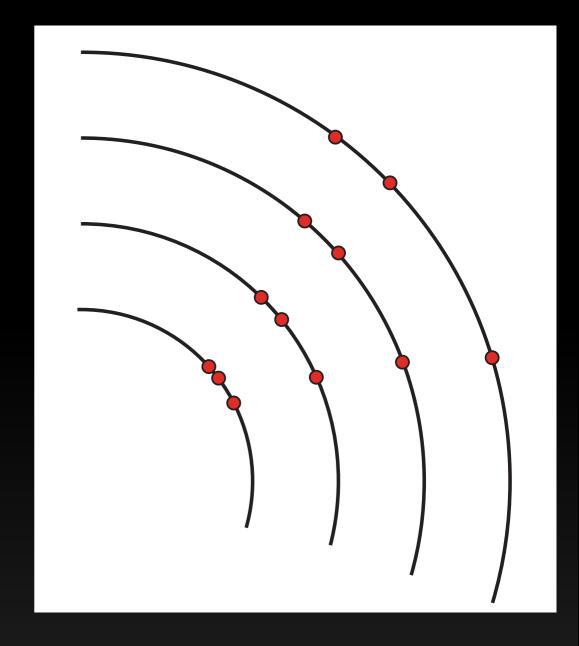
- → used for track finding in drift tubes
- → drift radius is transformed into sine-curves in Legendre space
- → solves as well L-R ambiguity







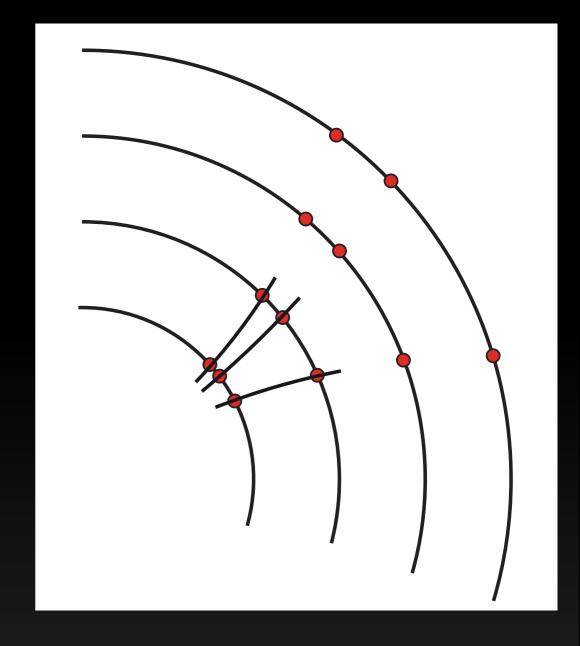
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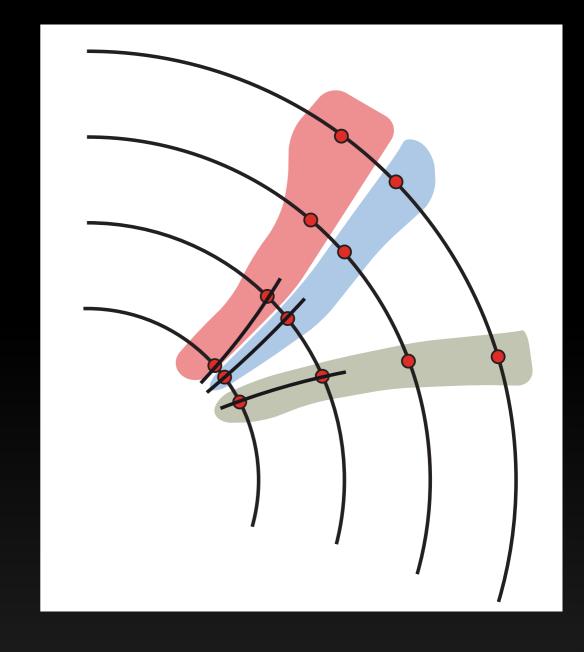
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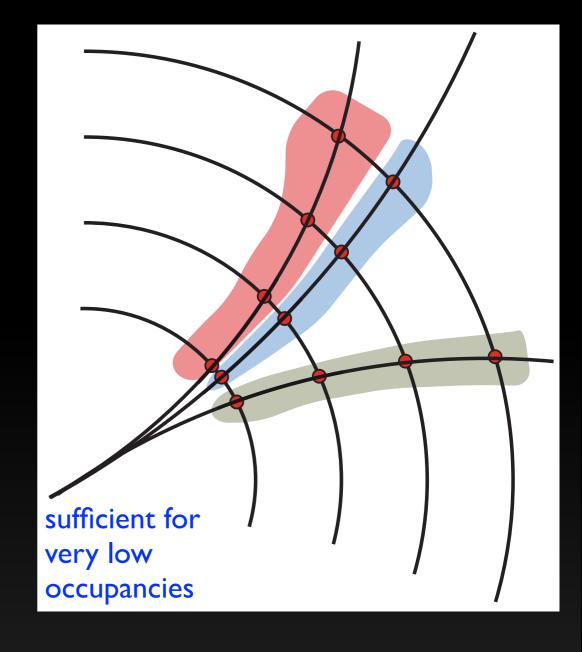
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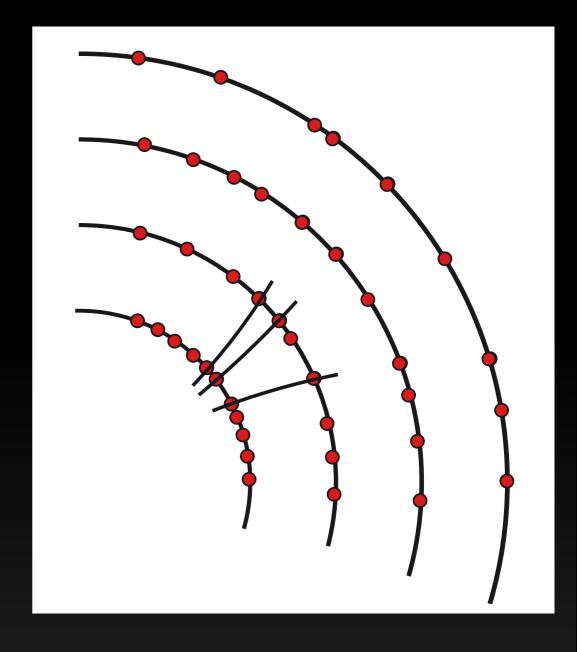
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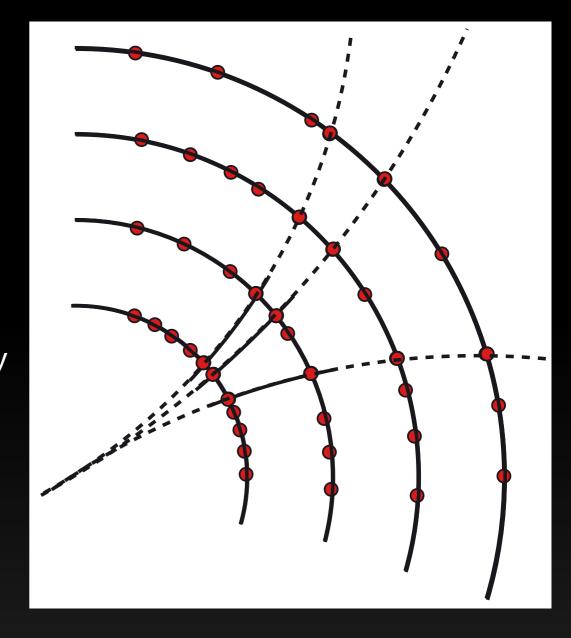
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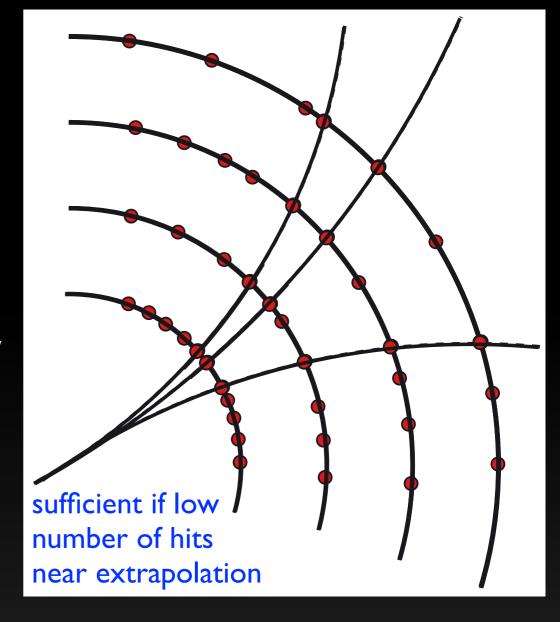
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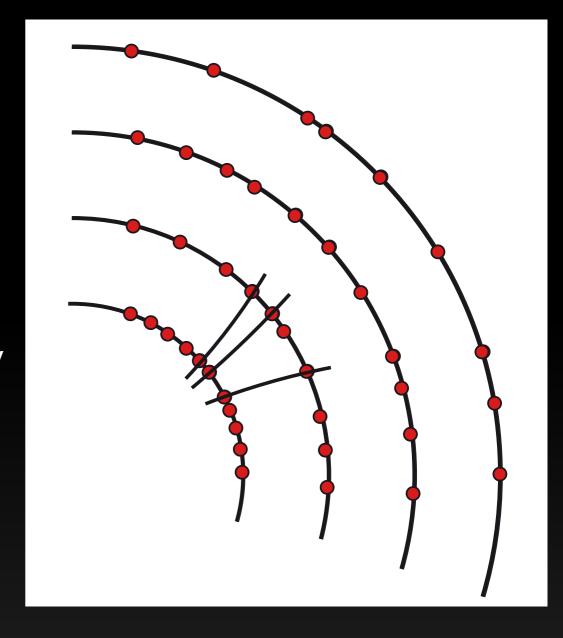
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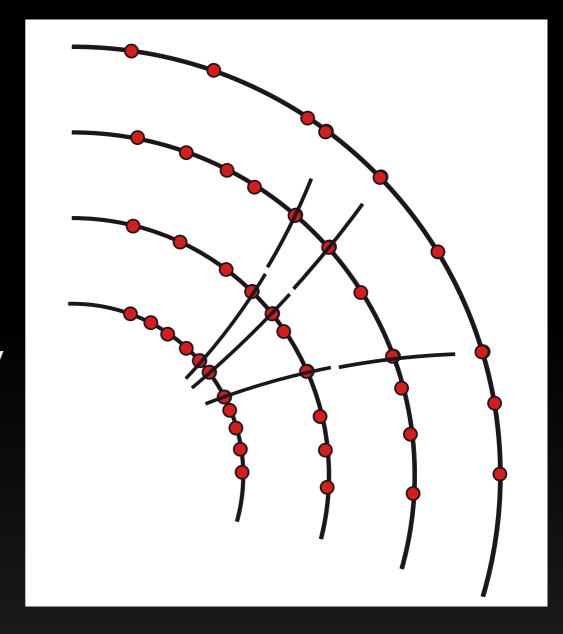
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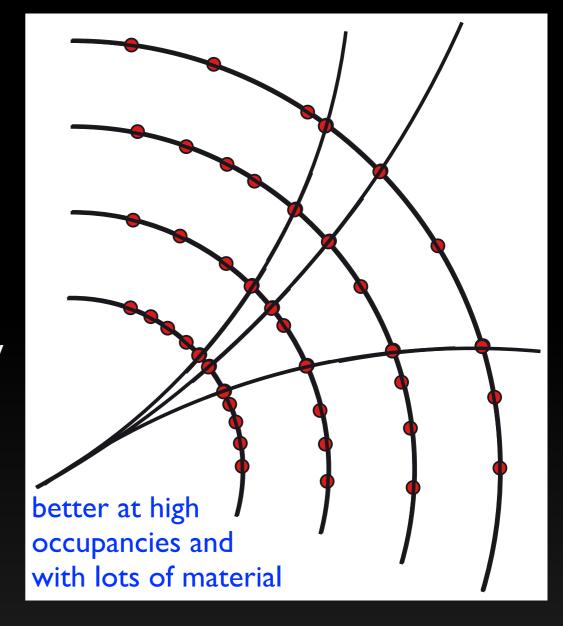
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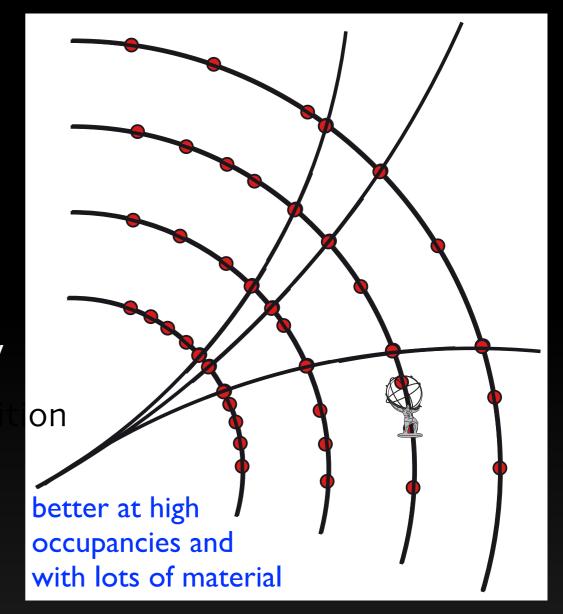


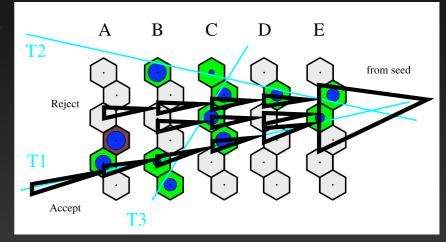




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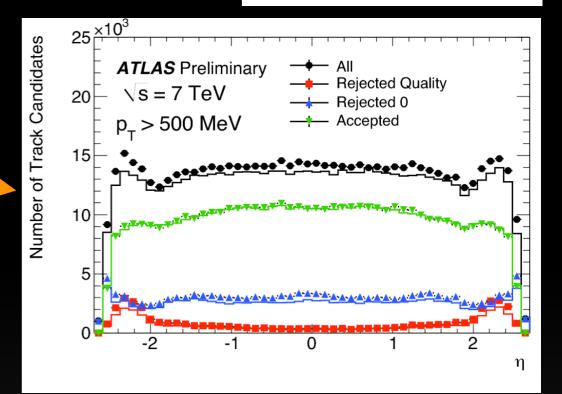


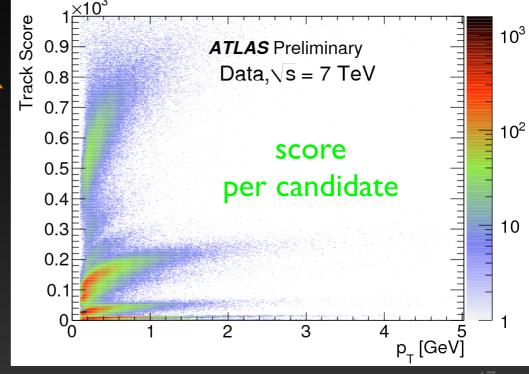


## **Ambiguity Solution**

o sensor hit
8 module hit
• hole
■ ambiguous hit

- track selection cuts
  - → applied at every stage in reconstruction
  - → still more candidates than final tracks
- task of ambiguity solution:
  - → select good tracks and reject fakes
  - construct quality function ("score") for each candidate:
    - 1. hit content, holes
    - 2. number of shared hits
    - 3. fit quality...
  - → candidates with best score win
  - → if too many shared hits, create subtracks if if possible
  - → in case of ATLAS: as well precise fit
- DELPHI (LEP), LC-Detector:
  - → full recursive ambiguity processor
  - **→** D.Wicke, M.E.





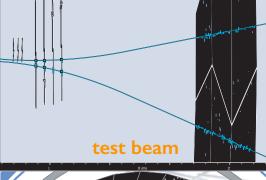


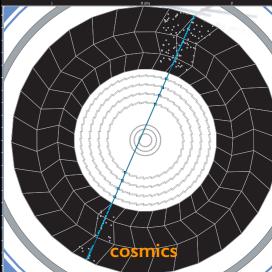
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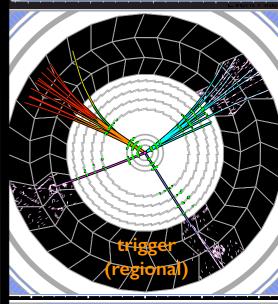


## ... and in Practice?

- choice of reconstruction strategy depends on:
  - → detector technologies
  - → physics/performance requirements
  - → occupancy and backgrounds
  - → technical constraints (CPU, memory)
- even for same detector setup one looks at different types of events:
  - → test beam
  - → cosmics
  - → trigger (regional)
  - → offline (full scan)
- track reconstruction used by experiments
  - → usually apply a combination of different techniques
  - → often iterative ~ different strategies run one after the other to obtain best possible performance within resource constraints







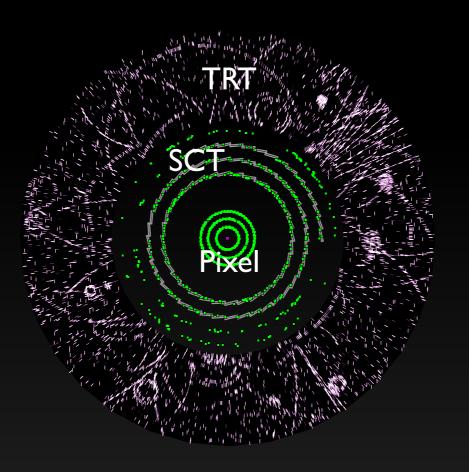






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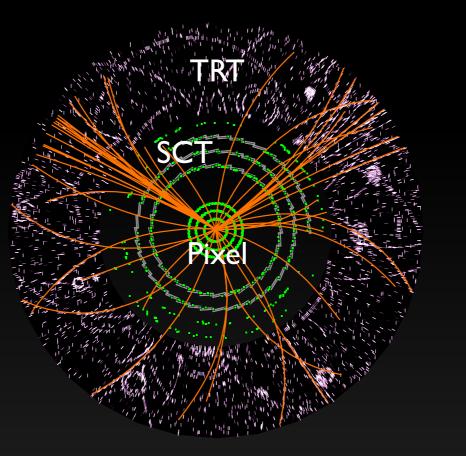
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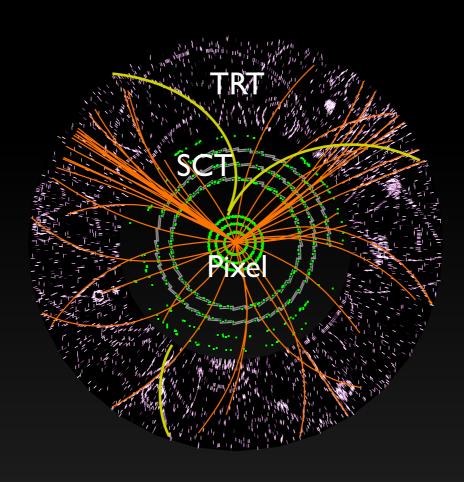
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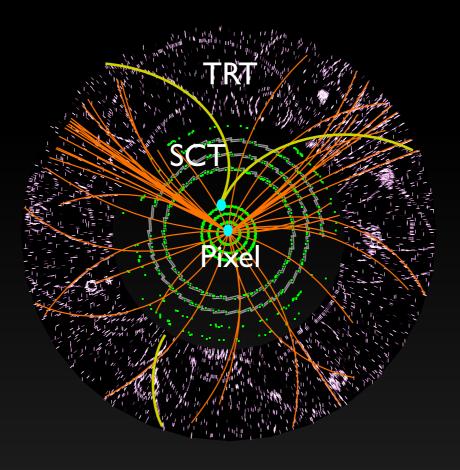


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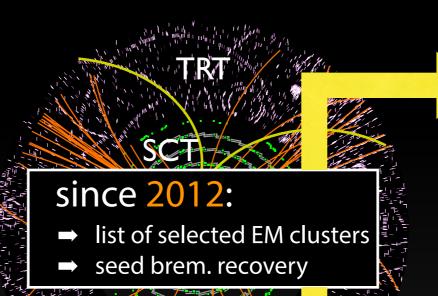
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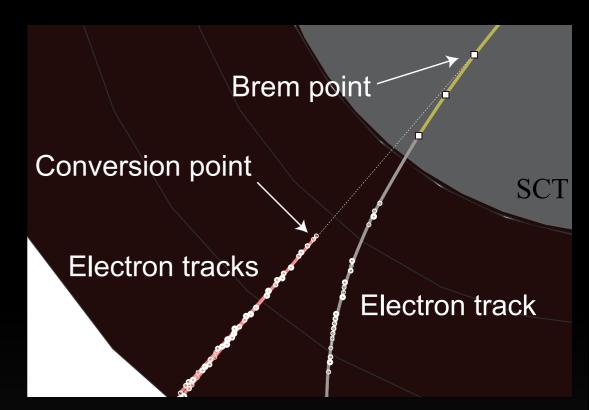
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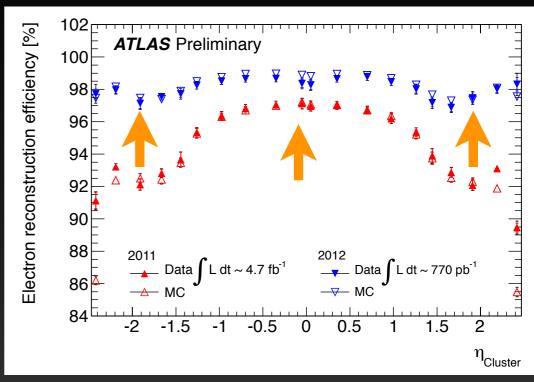
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# Tracking with Electron Brem. Recovery

- strategy for brem. recovery
  - → restrict recovery to regions pointing to electromagnetic clusters (Rol)
  - → pattern: allow for large energy loss in combinatorial Kalman filter
    - adjust noise term for electrons
  - $\rightarrow$  global- $\chi^2$  fitter allows for brem. point
  - → adapt ambiguity processing (etc.) to ensure e.g. b-tagging is not affected
  - → use full fledged Gaussian-Sum Filter in electron identification code
- tracking update deployed in 2012
  - ⇒ improvements especially at low p<sub>T</sub> (< 15 GeV)
    - limiting factor for H→ZZ\*→4e
  - ⇒ significant efficiency gain for Higgs discovery







## Let's Summarize...

- I introduced the reconstruction in a nutshell and why tracking is important for HEP computing
- I discussed briefly the principles of semiconductor trackers and drift tubes
- then we went over concepts and techniques for track extrapolation, fitting and finding
- and finally we saw how to put things together to implement the ATLAS Track Reconstruction



## Discussion ...

