



Tracking detectors for the LHC

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Overview lectures part I

Principles of gaseous and solid state tracking detectors

- Tracking detectors at the LHC
- Drift chambers
- Silicon detectors
- Modeling of a silicon detector

Overview lectures part II

Tracker design and performance

- Momentum and impact parameter measurement
- Optimization of tracker design and G4 simulation

Track reconstruction and fitting

- Principles and basic ideas
- Pattern recognition
- Track fitting

Physics applications

- Primary and secondary vertex reconstruction
- Invariant mass reconstruction
- b-tagging

Tracker design and performance

- Study two figures of merit
 - momentum resolution
 - impact parameter resolution
- Impact on **physics**:
 - invariant mass resolution
e.g. Higgs mass resolution
 - flight distance of B hadrons precision
e.g. B_s oscillations, b-tagging for Higgs

Momentum measurement

$$p_T \text{ (GeV/c)} = 0.3B\rho \quad (\text{T} \cdot \text{m})$$

ρ radius of curvature

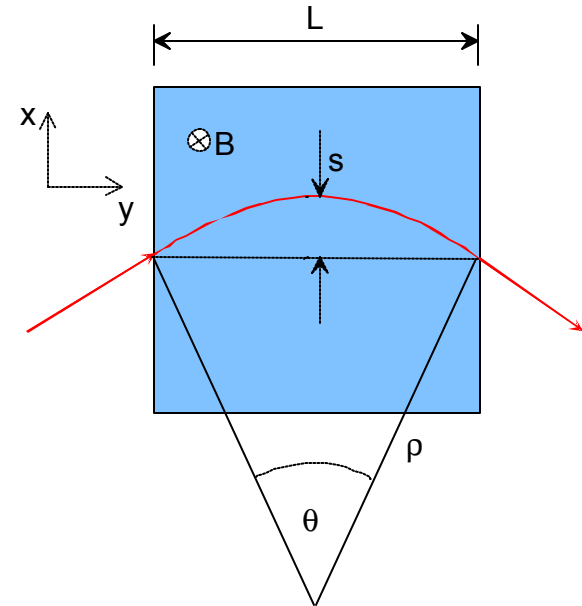
3 point sagitta s is: $s = x_2 - \frac{1}{2}(x_1 + x_3)$

$$\left. \frac{\sigma(p_T)}{p_T} \right|^{meas.} = \frac{\sigma_s}{s} = \frac{\sigma_x}{s} \sqrt{3/2} = \frac{\sigma_x \cdot p_T}{0.3 \cdot BL^2} \sqrt{96}$$

for N equidistant measurements:

$$\left. \frac{\sigma(p_T)}{p_T} \right|^{meas.} = \frac{\sigma_x \cdot p_T}{0.3 \cdot BL^2} \sqrt{720/(N+4)}$$

Detector: $L = 1 \text{ m}$, $B = 1 \text{ T}$, $\sigma_x = 200 \mu\text{m}$, $N = 10$



$$\left. \frac{\sigma(p_T)}{p_T} \right|^{meas.} \approx 0.5\% p_T$$

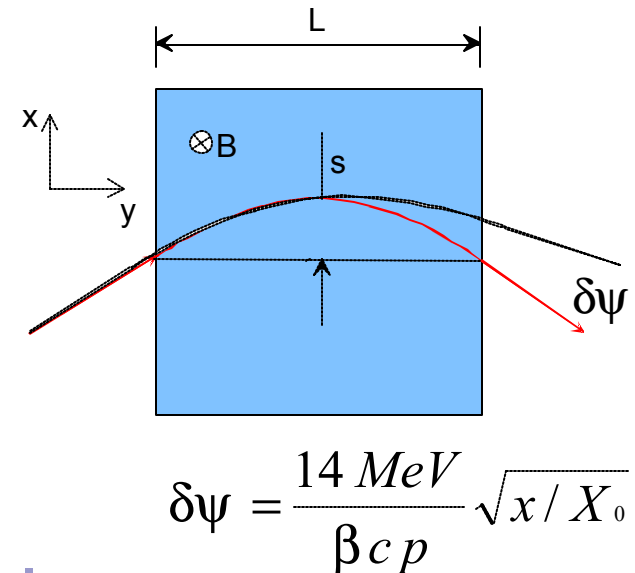
Influence of material on momentum

- Multiple scattering:
 - middle of volume

$$\left. \frac{\sigma(p_T)}{p_T} \right|^{ms} = \frac{28 \text{ MeV}}{0.3 \cdot BL} \sqrt{x/X_0} \frac{p_T}{\beta c p}$$

- Fluctuations on energy loss

$$\left. \frac{\sigma(p_T)}{p_T} \right|^{Eloss} \sim \frac{x/X_0}{p}$$



Important e.g. ATLAS muon tracker

Impact parameter measurement

- Impact parameter r :
point of closest approach to the interaction point

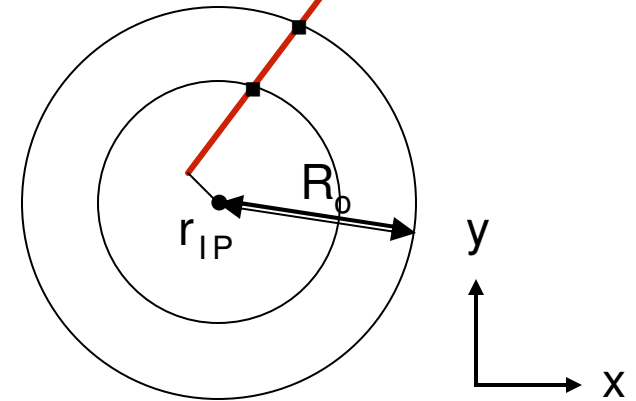
$$\sigma_{IP}^{meas.} = \sigma_{hit} \sqrt{1 + 2R_O^2 / (R_O - R_I)^2}$$

- With multiple scattering at inner radius

$$\sigma_{IP}^{ms.} = \frac{14 \text{ MeV}}{\beta c p} \sqrt{x_I / X_0} R_I$$

Important contribution

- DELPHI vertex detector: $28 \oplus 71 / (p / \text{GeV} \sin^{\frac{3}{2}} \theta) \mu\text{m}$



Optimization of tracker design

- Vertex detector: important material X in first layer
- How many layers?
 - redundancy/missing hits, fake track rate
- Tracker: a 6-point sagitta measurement



- Need detailed simulations including material and geometry including support, cooling, endcap-barrel transition
- Full Geant 4 simulation

Geant 4 detector simulation

- Interfaced with generator for physics process input: final state particle four-vectors
- Detector modeling by Geant 4
 - track particles through subdetectors
 - G4 includes geometry, material (multiple scattering)
 - secondary interactions (photon conversion, final state radiation, delta electrons, hadronic interactions)
- User provides compact subdetector response to the particles
 - Full detector response e.g. by Garfield program including ionization, drift and electronics response

What is not discussed

Crucial ingredients for the performance of a tracking detector

- Calibration: e.g. drift detectors, r-t relations
- Alignment: principle, methods and strategies

Track representation

- Five parameters 4π detector

ATLAS/ CMS/ ALICE

- impact parameters, polar and azimuthal angles and charge/momentum:

$$r_{IP} \quad z_{IP} \quad \theta \quad \phi \quad q/p$$

- Forward spectrometer LHCb

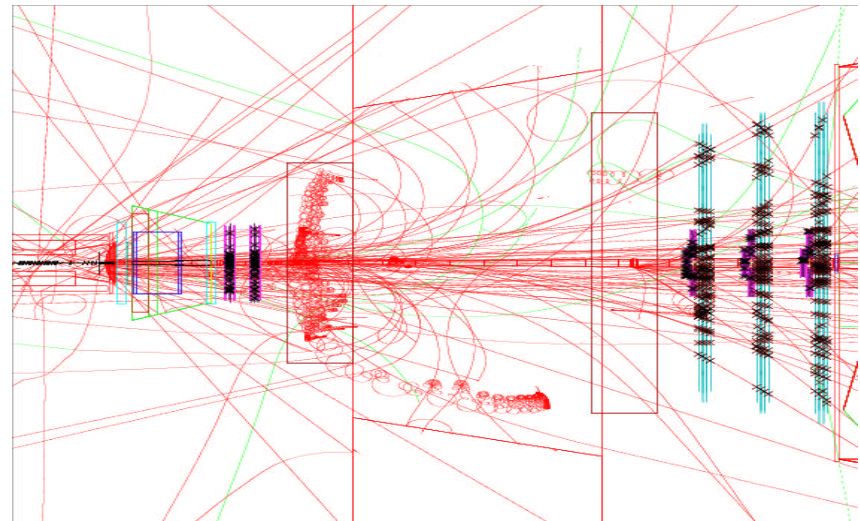
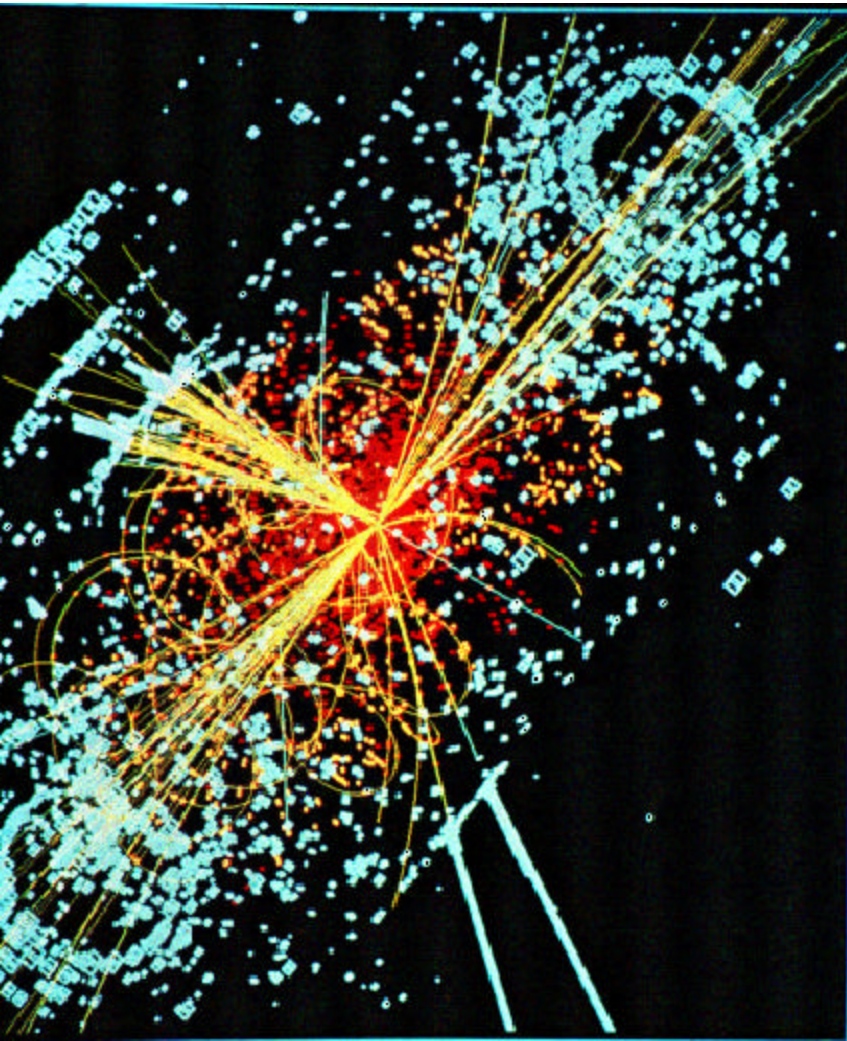
- positions and derivatives $t_x = dx/dz$ $t_y = dy/dz$ and q/p :

$$x \quad y \quad t_x \quad t_y \quad q/p$$

NB: use $q/p \sim$ gaussian measurement errors

Don't use p or x_{ip} y_{ip} for r_{ip}

Pattern recognition: the problem



ents in CMS and LHCb

Decompose the tracking problem

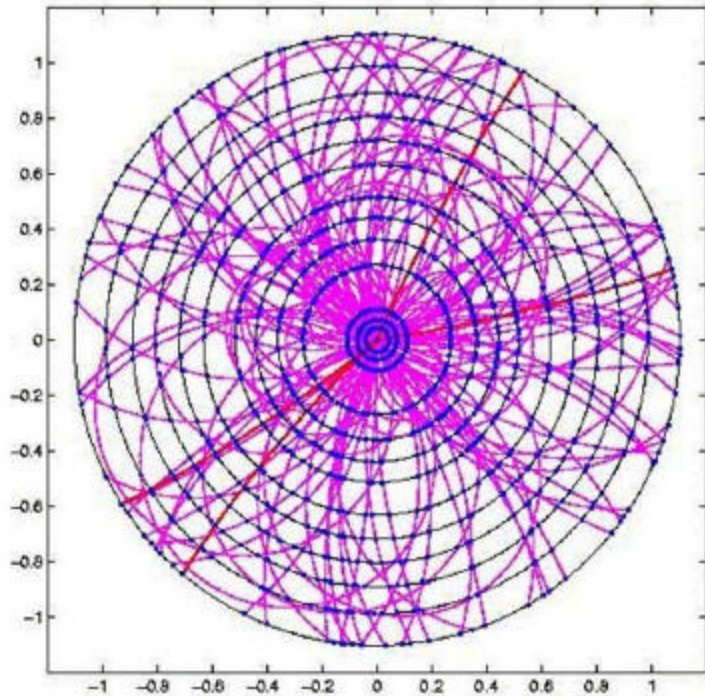
- I Pattern recognition or track finding
- II Track parameter estimation or track fitting
- III Test of track and pattern
check residuals and remove outliers

Iteratively for particle hypothesis:

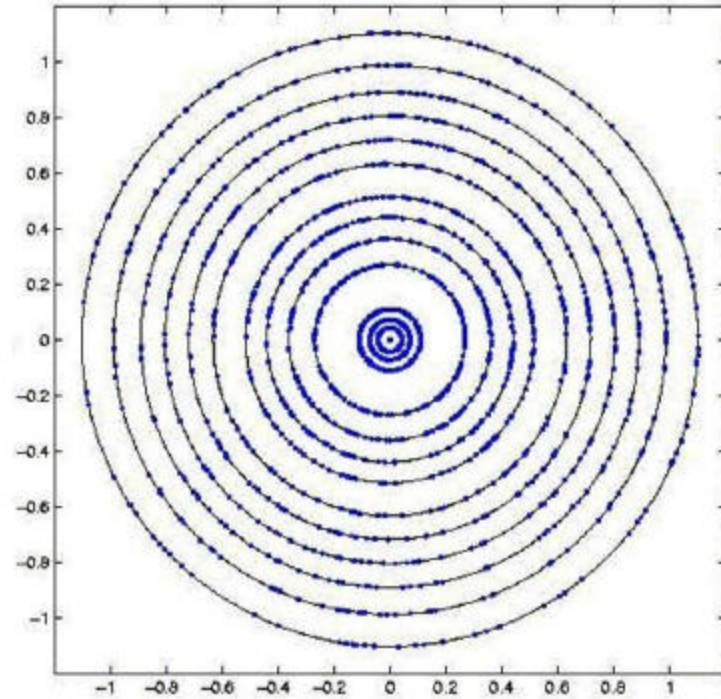
- Muons (pions, kaons, protons)
- Electrons
- Photon conversions ($\gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-$)
- V_0 decays ($K_0 \rightarrow \pi \pi$, $\Lambda_0 \rightarrow p \pi$)
- Hadronic interactions

Task: track finding

Tracks with hits



hits only



A simulated Higgs event in CMS X-Y view

Track finding methods

Global methods: start from all points

- Hough transform/ histogramming method
- Hopfield neural network etc.

Local Methods: start from track candidates

- Track following: candidate extrapolation
collect hits and reiterate
- Kalman filter, track road interpolation etc.

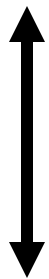
Critical points:

- Track model approximations
- Track seed finding
- Avoid testing all combinations of hits: CPU $\sim n!$
- Need fast approximate tracking for first stage / trigger

Track finding

- No general solution: combine different methods
 - geometry/configuration
 - B field
 - precision tracker/detector
 - occupancy
- Strategy: modular stages (first/second stage)

Local: rough patterns



modules of a subdetector (pixel layers)

full subdetector (pixel detector)

full tracking detector (inner tracker)

add different detectors (muon + tracker)

Global: refined

Simple track models

■ Straight line approximation

□ no magnetic field (2 par's)

■ $x = r_0 \sin \phi + L \cos \phi$

■ $y = -r_0 \cos \phi + L \sin \phi$

■ Helix (constant solenoidal B field // z)

□ Circle in xy plane (3 par's)

■ $(x-x_c)^2 + (y-y_c)^2 = R^2$ R radius of curvature

■ $r_0^2 = R^2 - x_c^2 - y_c^2$, $\phi = \text{atan}(x_c, y_c)$

(some times a parabola is used)

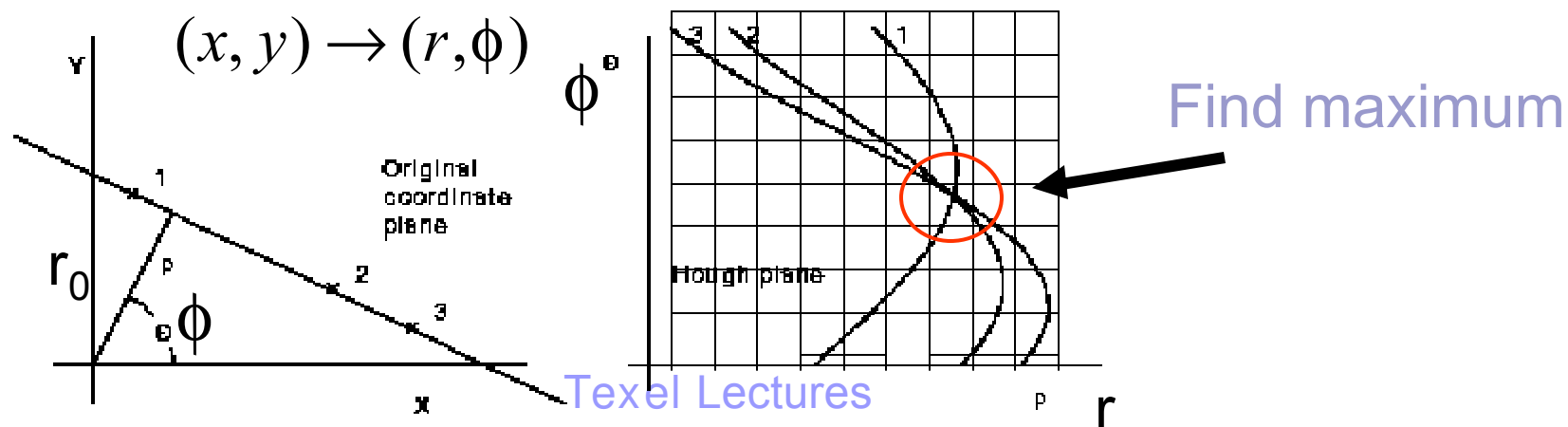
The Hough transform for straight lines

P V Hough 1959 CERN Bubble chamber

- Line in xy has two parameters r_0 , ϕ
- Find transformation for hits in xy that determines r if one scans over ϕ :

$$r = x \sin \phi - y \cos \phi$$

- Make binned histogram in $r\phi$ space



Some remarks: the Hough transform

- Mathematical form important:
 - x_0 wouldn't work: 8
 - flat noise transforms to flat $r\phi$ plane
- Use measurement plane e.g. xy or Rz :
e.g. straight line is deformed in Rz plane
- Carefully optimized binning in r and ϕ
- A helix has a different Hough transform
- Very fast and efficient: each hit used “once”
- High background rejection
- Used in LHC trigger and reconstruction

More on Hough transforms

- Use of filters to exploit the structure of the maximum: “butterfly” weighting bins around
- Simplest 1D Hough is histogram of the angle e.g. ϕ assuming interaction point
- By filling twice hits one can solve left-right ambiguities using a 2D SL transform
- Generalized Hough transforms (any model)
- With the 2D form one can determine helix with interaction point
- With 3D reconstruct V_0 and γ conversions

Track extrapolation

I For straight line and helix (solenoidal field):
analytical expressions (fast tracking)

II **High precision extrapolation** in varying B
field need numerical method

Runge-Kutta integration is used

- Extrapolate to the measurement surface
- Transform track into measurement plane:
Transformation Matrix
- Determine residual: predicted – hit
distance in this plane

Error propagation and material

- Error matrix of the track:

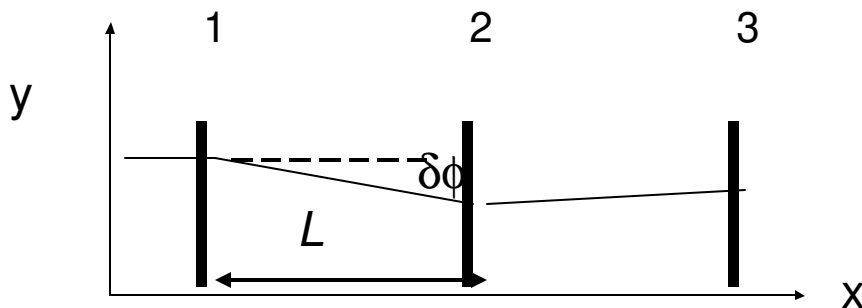
Symmetric

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \delta r \delta r & \delta r \delta z & \delta r \delta \phi & \delta r \delta \theta & \delta r \delta q / p \\ & \delta z \delta z & \delta z \delta \phi & \delta z \delta \theta & \delta z \delta q / p \\ & & \delta \phi \delta \phi & \delta \phi \delta \theta & \delta \phi \delta q / p \\ & & & \delta \theta \delta \theta & \delta \theta \delta q / p \\ & & & & \delta q / p \delta q / p \end{pmatrix}$$

- Covariance Matrix C inverse error Matrix M
- Extrapolation in by simple matrix multiplication
- Extrapolation through material:
 - Additional contribution to error matrix is added
 - Energy (momentum) loss in the material

Off-diagonal elements and correlations

- Very important to treat correctly
- Due to measurements that are performed in different plane than track representation
As e.g. below y mst plane $\leftrightarrow r_0$ track
- Correlation between measurements due to multiple scattering



$$y_1 = y_1$$

$$y_2 = y_1 + L \sin \delta\phi_1$$

$$y_3 = y_2 + L \sin \delta\phi_2$$

- Use matrix formalism

Controlling measurement and extrapolation

- Checking the pull distributions in mst plane
- $\text{pull} = (\text{extrapolation} - \text{hit}) / \text{error}_{\text{total}}$

$$\text{error}_{\text{total}}^2 = \text{error}_{\text{extrap}}^2 + \text{error}_{\text{mst}}^2$$

Gaussian distribution centered at 0 with width 1

Can be done on data and simulation

- Checking the covariance or error matrix compare reconstructed and simulated values
 - Diagonal elements make pull distribution
 - Off-diagonals calculate e.g. $dz d\theta = (z_{\text{rec}} - z_{\text{sim}}) (\theta_{\text{rec}} - \theta_{\text{sim}})$ and divide by error matrix element $\delta z \delta \theta$

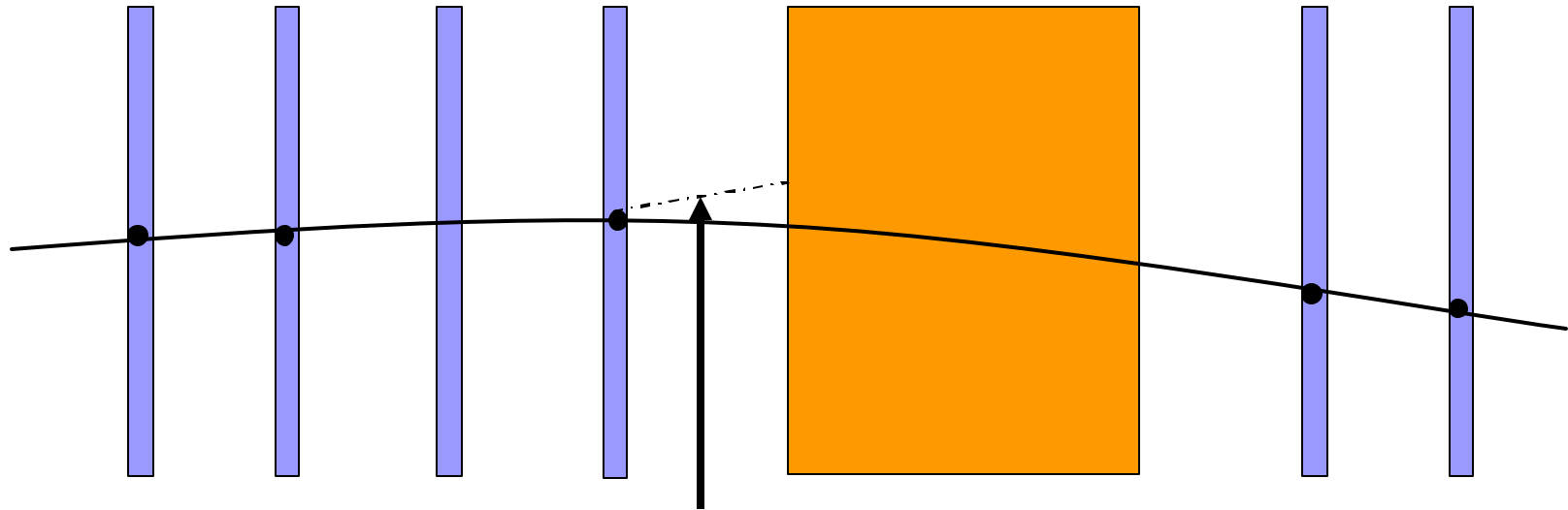
Checking the pattern recognition

- Event display very powerful
 - show hits and pattern in mst plane
 - offline selection 'wrong' patterns in simulation or reconstruction
- Note 1: that if a wrong pattern or wrong seed is given to the fit large probability that it is rejected
- Note 2: if a pattern is not correctly found (e.g. a γ conversion or V_0) gives confusion, wrong hits are associated to the track

Track fitting

- Track parameter estimation
 - parameters and errors along fitted trajectory
 - determine residuals/outliers
 - estimate goodness of fit
- Take into account measurements, scattering surfaces and brehmstrahlung

A typical track trajectory



Hard radiation

- Measurements
thin scatterers

thick scatterer

Continuous multiple scattering

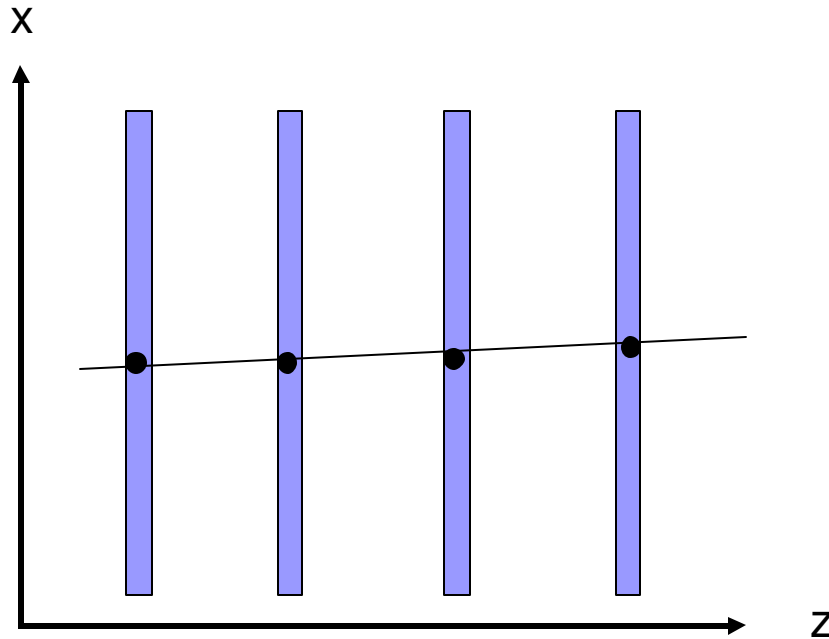
Multiple scattering

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Track fits

- Classical track fit
- Kalman fit
- Common features
 - based on least square estimator
 - linearize the problem
 - uses track model and extrapolator
 - input seed/initial parameters
 - for final result re-extrapolate and refit

Classical track fit



■ Track model

$$\begin{pmatrix} x(z) \\ y(z) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 + t_x z \\ y_0 + t_y z \end{pmatrix}$$

■ Measurement m and σ

Strip detector angle α

$$m_i = x(z_i) \cos \alpha - y(z_i) \sin \alpha$$

■ Express in matrix form

$$m_i = A \vec{x}_t = (\cos \alpha \quad -\sin \alpha \quad z_i \cos \alpha \quad -z_i \sin \alpha) \vec{x}_t \quad V_i = \sigma^2(z_i)$$

track parameters $\vec{x}_t^T = (x_0 \quad y_0 \quad t_x \quad t_y)$

Classical track fit

- Construct χ^2 , measurements m in one vector:

$$\chi^2 = (\vec{m} - A \vec{x}_t)^T V^{-1} (\vec{m} - A \vec{x}_t)$$

- Minimize χ^2 solution for track parameters:

$$\vec{x}_t = \left(A^T V^{-1} A \right)^{-1} A^T V^{-1} \vec{m}$$

- Error matrix for track:

$$V_t = \left(A^T V^{-1} A \right)^{-1}$$

- Here inversion on 4 x 4 matrix
if momentum q/p included 5 x 5 matrix

Multiple scattering in a classical fit

- Add two scattering angles per plane
 - Same formalism
 - Matrix $5 \times 5 \longrightarrow (5 + 2 * n) \times (5 + 2 * n)$
 - Matrix inversion CPU consuming with many planes
- Thick material approximated by two thin planes
 - positioned at $+ \text{ and } - L/v$
- Can take into account hard radiation
 - well suited for electrons
- Need re-extrapolation and refit (non linear part)

Kalman fit

- Pattern recognition Kalman filtering
- Kalman fit: a progressive way of making a least square fit
- Kalman (Hungary, 1930)
 - paper published 1960 for tracking rockets
 - many applications aerospace, marine
 - 1983 first used in HEP DELPHI

I Prediction step

1. Propagate track state at $k-1$ to predicted state at k : $\vec{x}_k^{k-1} = f_k(\vec{x}_{k-1})$
2. Propagate Covariance and add multiple scattering: $C_k^{k-1} = F_k C_{k-1} F_k^T + Q_k$
3. Project prediction in measurement plane, estimate residual and cov:

$$r_k^{k-1} = m_k - h_k(\vec{x}_k^{k-1}) \quad R_k^{k-1} = V_k - H_k C_k^{k-1} H_k^T$$

NB: Classical fit: matrix $A \rightarrow f_k$ and h_k

II Filter step

Update track state at k with measurement

$$\vec{x}_k = \vec{x}_k^{k-1} + K_k r_k^{k-1}$$

$$C_k = (1 - K_k H_k) C_k^{k-1}$$

K_k is a 5×1 Gain matrix:

$$K_k = C_k^{k-1} H_k^T (R_k^{k-1})^{-1}$$

III Smoother step

Gives best estimate of track state on previous surfaces ($k \rightarrow k+1$)

$$\vec{x}_k^n = \vec{x}_k + A_k (\vec{x}_{k+1}^n - \vec{x}_{k+1}^k)$$

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

with: $A_k = C_k F_k^T (C_{k+1}^k)^{-1}$

Expressions for residuals and χ^2

Material and energy loss

- Multiple scattering taken care of in Q_k
- Energy loss can be corrected for

$$\Delta E = c\rho l \frac{Z}{A}$$

- Electrons – by hypothesis – correct for bremsstrahlung:

$$\Delta E = E \left(1 - e^{\frac{-l}{X_0}}\right)$$

correct covariance matrix $\delta q/p$

Functionality of Kalman fit

- Kalman prediction and filter can be used for pattern recognition
- Only smoother involves 5×5 matrix inversion
- No limit on number of scattering surfaces
- Expression for track state at all surfaces
- NB classical fit adds degrees of freedom needs a refit at different surfaces

Outlier removal, ambiguities and refit

- In fit residuals are calculated
- Used for removing bad hits
- Refit and reiterate
- Kalman and classical: critical start with seed and good pattern
- Try to solve left-right ambiguities locally
- Can allow to share hits with different tracks and solve this at later stage: modular pattern recognition

Physics applications

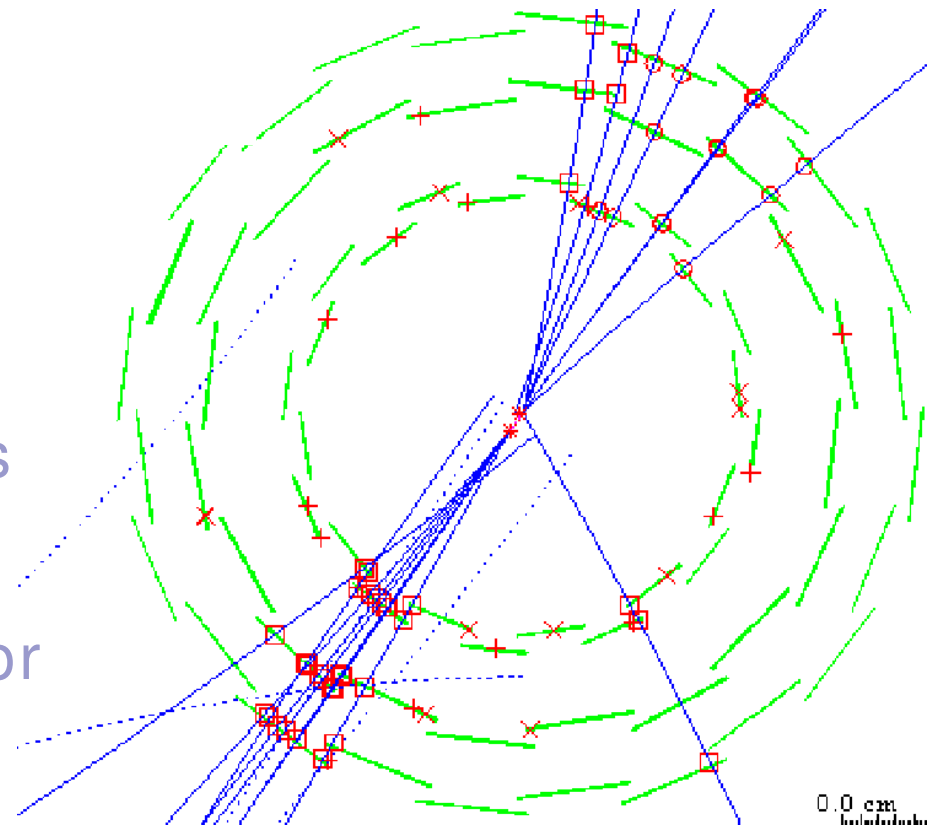
- Primary and secondary vertex search
- Invariant mass reconstruction
- b quark tagging

Explain where at LHC precise and well understood tracking matters

Vertex reconstruction

- **Primary vertex:**
interaction point beam of particles
- **Secondary vertex:**
decay vertices of unstable particles: B and C hadrons (no V_0 s)

typical decay length B or C hadron few mm



Procedure for vertex reconstruction

- Vertex finding (clustering problem)
- Extrapolation of tracks to vertex
 - point of closest approach and error
- Association to vertex e.g. χ^2 cut (pull)
- Fit of tracks to common vertex
- Estimate vertex position and covariance
- Iterative procedure with outlier removal

Primary and secondary search vertex

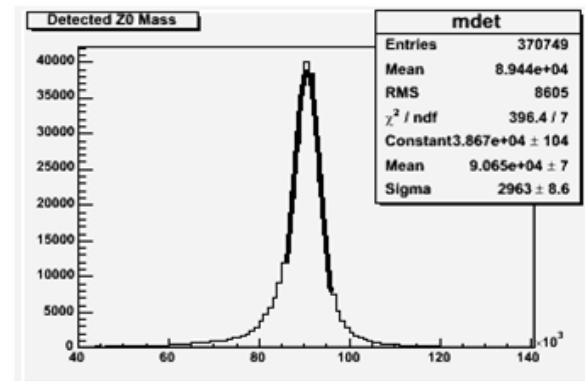
- Primary vertex search “easy”
 - Many tracks from interaction point
 - Seed: fill average beamspot
- Secondary vertex search difficult
 - A few ~ 5 tracks from a B/C decays
 - Seed helps: e.g. lepton from B/C decay
 - Two or n track vertex using tracks with large impact parameters
 - Problems: rejection of V_0 particles, secondary interactions, badly reconstructed tracks

Vertex fit

- Classical approach:
 - Input track pars and covariance matrix
 - Solve vertex by matrix inversion
- Kalman fit:
 - Add one by one tracks to vertex and update vertex parameters
 - Smoothing gives the updated track pars
- Adaptive Kalman or classical fit:
 - Uses probabilities for a track to belong to vertex

Invariant mass estimation

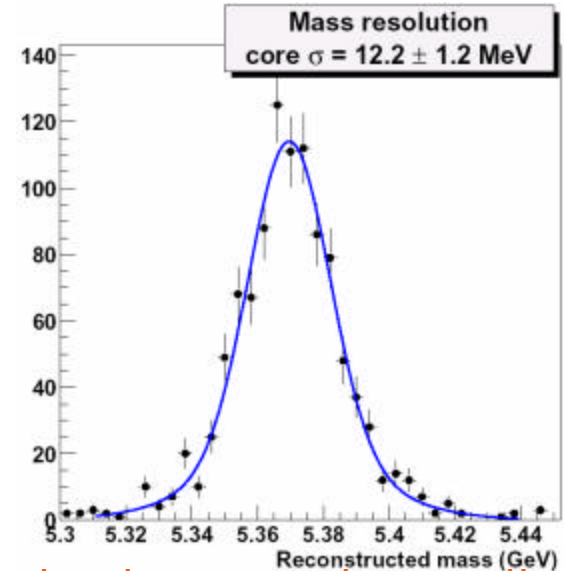
- No additional constraints
 - Reconstruction of Z or J/ψ → μ⁺μ⁻
 - mass from measured momenta and E-p conservation
 - propagate errors momenta to mass
 - Allows to control tracking parameters and errors by:
 - Z and J/ψ mass shift, width and pull
 - Diagnostics difficult: material, B field, alignment etc



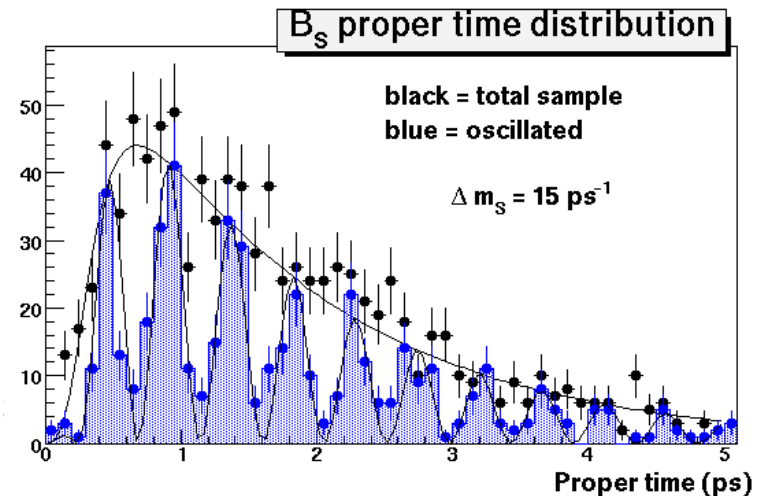
μ⁺μ⁻ invariant mass

Invariant mass with constraints

- Full B decay chain
- $B_s \rightarrow D_s \pi$
 - ↳ $\Phi \pi \rightarrow KK \pi$
- Vertices: primary, B decay and C decay
- Masses Φ, D_s, B_s
- Complex set of equations
Minimisation programme
 - Improvement in the purity of B_s particles
 - Best proper time $B_s : L p$

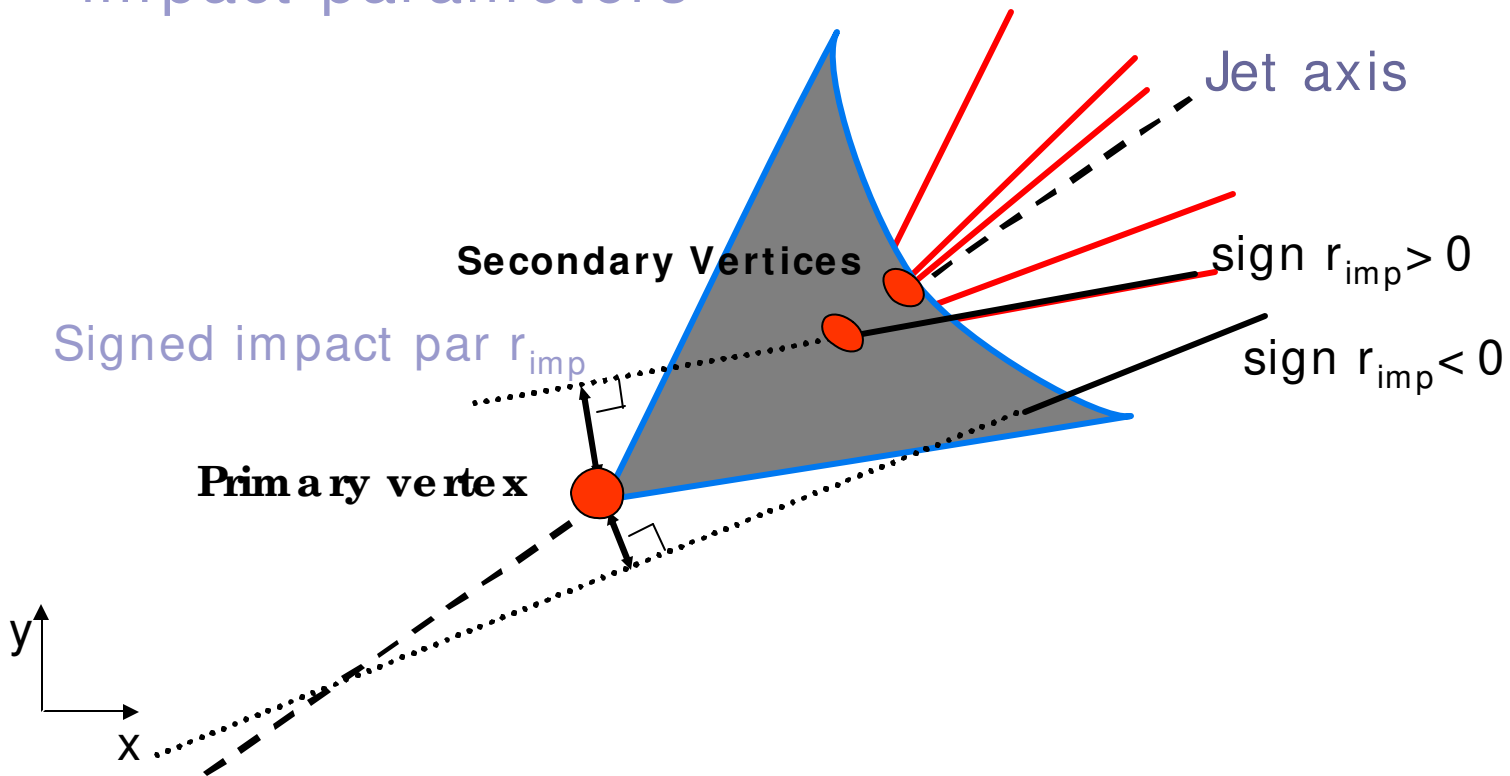


B physics very demanding



b quark tagging

- Exploit the vertex structure of B decays
- Tagging based on the lifetime signed track impact parameters

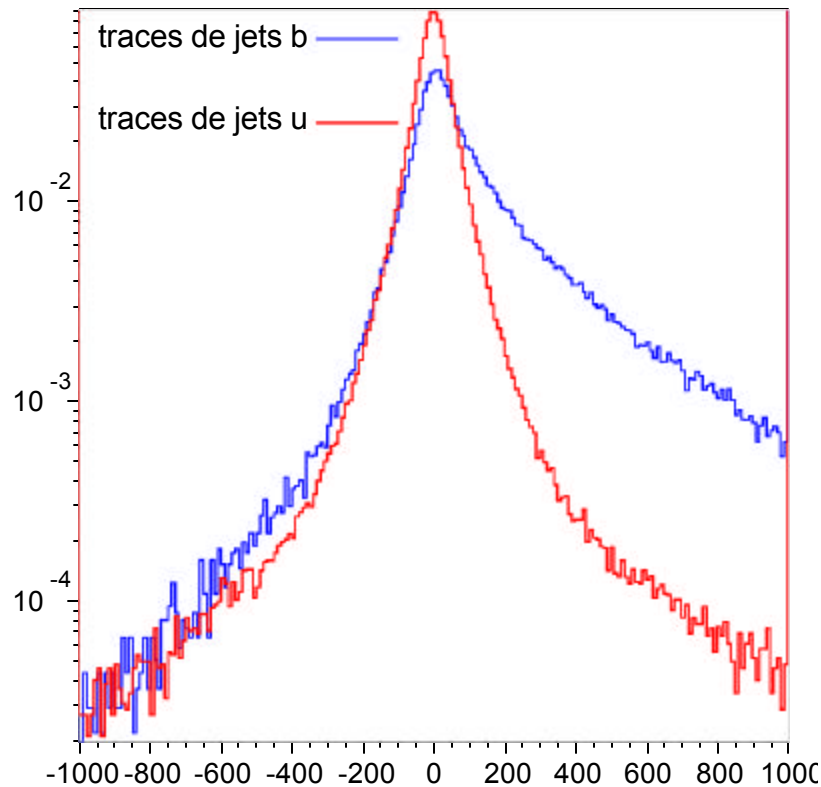


b quark tagging

- Typical procedure impact parameter tag:
 - reconstruct primary vertex
 - Select tracks for a jet
 - Require a high quality tracks: pixel hits, remove: V_0 s, conversions, short badly measured tracks
 - Determine lifetime signed impact parameters and errors wrt primary vertex
 - Lifetime sign: angle track wrt jet
- Refinements:
 - Leptons from B or C decays
 - Secondary vertex search

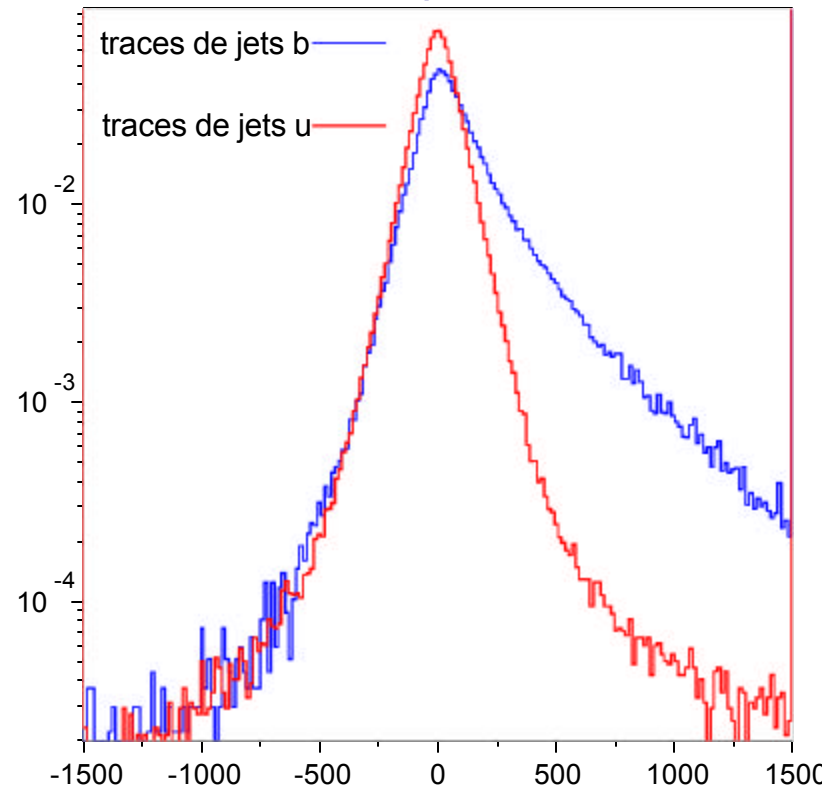
2D impact parameter

x y plane



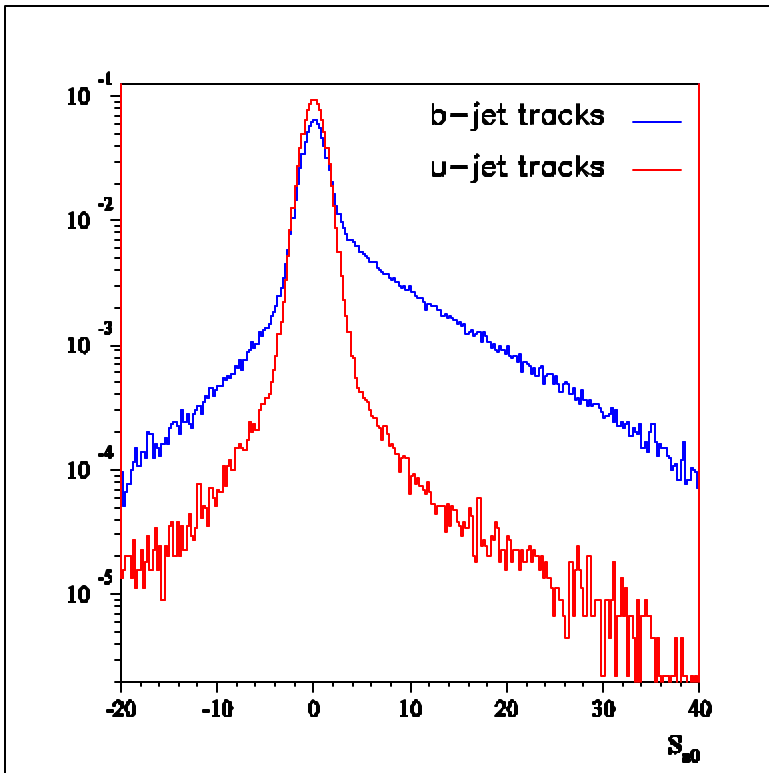
Signed impact parameter r_{imp} (μm)

Rz plane



z_{imp} (μm)

Impact parameter significance tag



■ Significance S:

$S = r_{\text{imp}} / \sigma_{r_{\text{imp}}}$ or $z_{\text{imp}} / \sigma_{z_{\text{ip}}}$
expect (i.e. can check):

- Gaussian distribution for negative part
- Gaussian distribution for light (uds) quarks

■ Calculate rejection:

$$R(S) = P_b(S) / P_{uds}(S)$$

- Take into account tails

■ Combine rejections variable

$$R_{\text{jet}} = \prod R_i(S); w_{\text{jet}} = \ln(R_{\text{jet}})$$

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Physics with a b tag

- Historically developed at LEP
 - precise electroweak measurements
 - Measurement $R_b = 0.21629 \pm 0.00066$
- Role at LHC:
 - Important LHCb trigger
 - ATLAS and CMS
 - B physics
 - Higgs couplings $tt H$ with $H \rightarrow bb$
 - Top physics $t \rightarrow bW$
 - SUSY particles, New Physics? $X \rightarrow bx$

Some literature

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