

# Track Reconstruction in BESIII

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The logo for BESIII, featuring the letters 'B', 'E', 'S', and 'III' in a stylized font. The 'B' is blue, the 'E' is red, the 'S' is green, and the 'III' is black.

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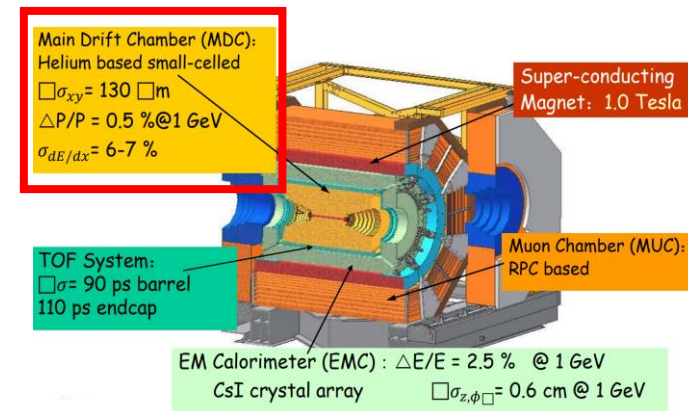
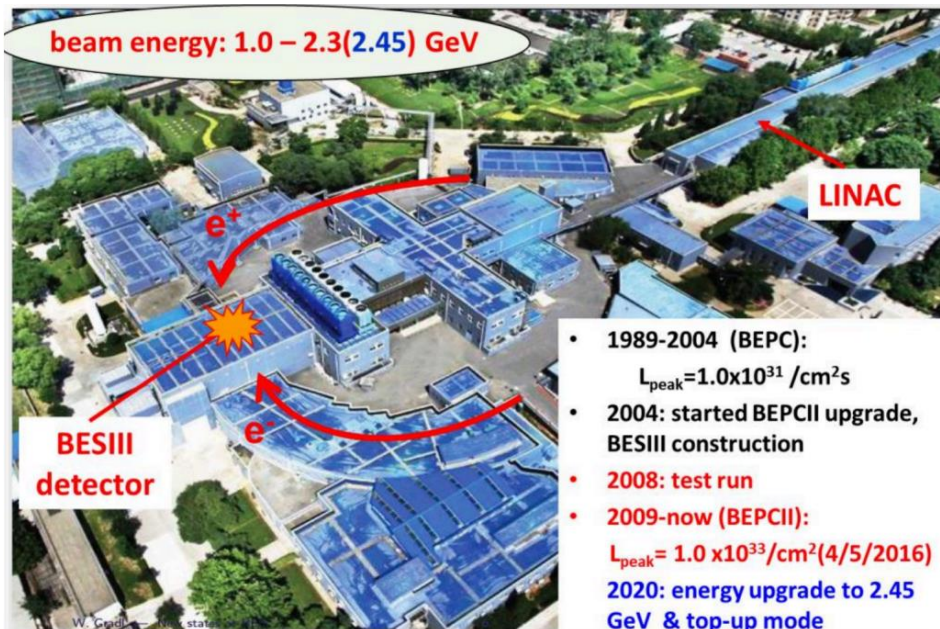
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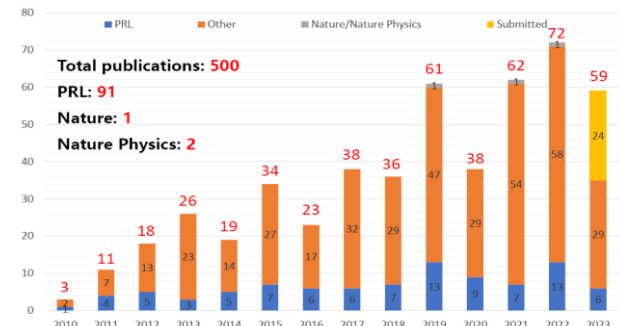
- **Tracker in BESIII : Multilayer Drift Chamber**
- **BESIII Offline track reconstruction**
  - Track finding, track fitting
  - Tracking performance
- **Tracking with CGEM**
- **GNN-based tracking in BESIII**

# Beijing Spectrometer(BESIII) Experiment

- BEPCII is a double-ring accelerator with a designed peak luminosity of  $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- BESIII covers the areas including the charm physics, charmonium physics, tau physics, QCD studies and light hadron spectroscopy.
- Both the accelerator and the detector worked remarkably well, the world largest data samples of  $J/\psi$  have been collected.
- The Experiment can run for many more years

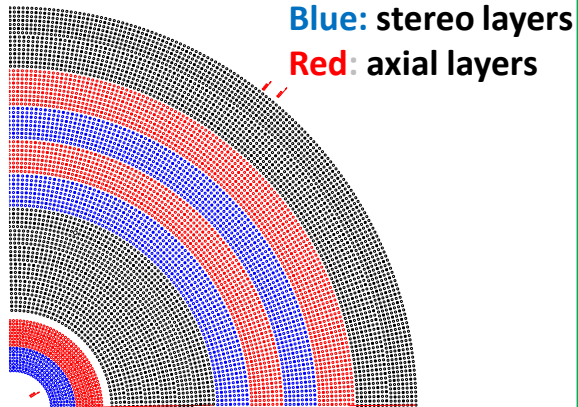


## BESIII publications (May 9, 2023)



# Tracker: Multilayer Drift Chamber (MDC)

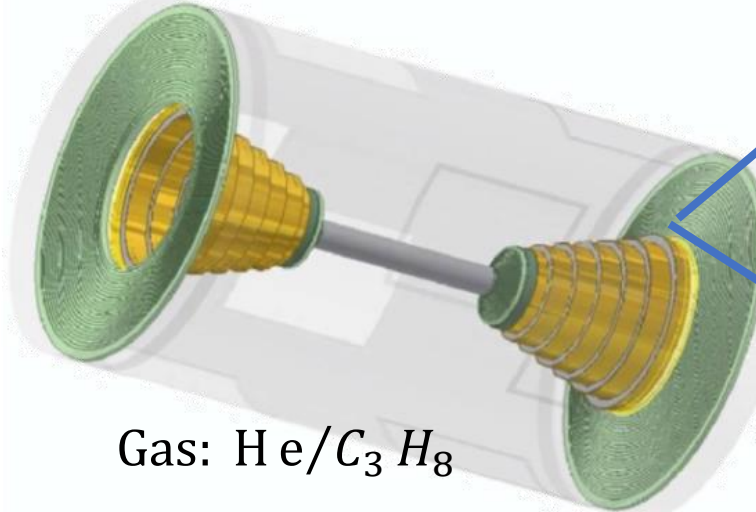
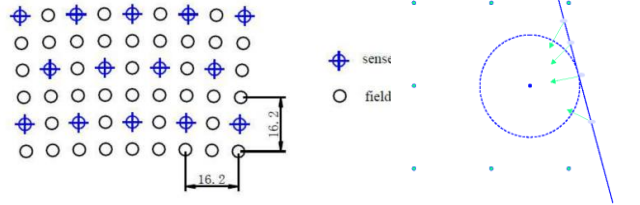
## Geometry



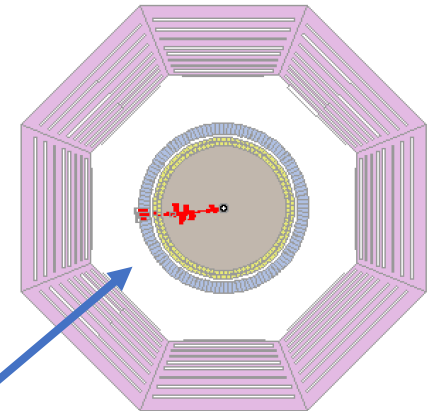
- 43 layers, Axial layer : 2D / Stereo layer : 3D
- 11 superlayers
- Inner Chamber : 8 stereo layers
- $|\cos \theta| < 0.93$

## Small cell

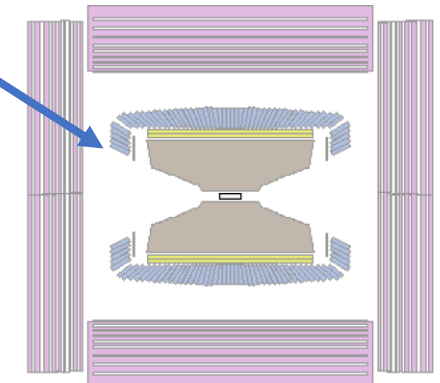
$$\sigma_{XY} \sim 130 \mu\text{m}$$



Gas: He/C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>



XY View



ZR View

- High tracking efficiency, in a large momentum region
- Good momentum resolution: 0.5% @1GeV/c
- Good dE/dx resolution: 6~7%
- Working in 1T magnetic field

# Tracking at BESIII

Considering MDC design, every track finding algorithm starts from 2D (x-y plane)

## 2D Track Finding

## 3D Track Finding

Pick up axial-wire hits

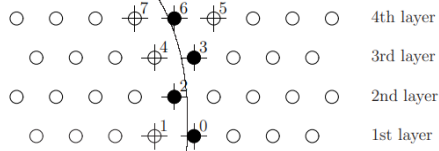
2D track

stereo-wire hits using 2D track

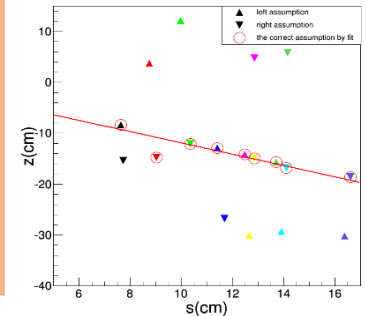
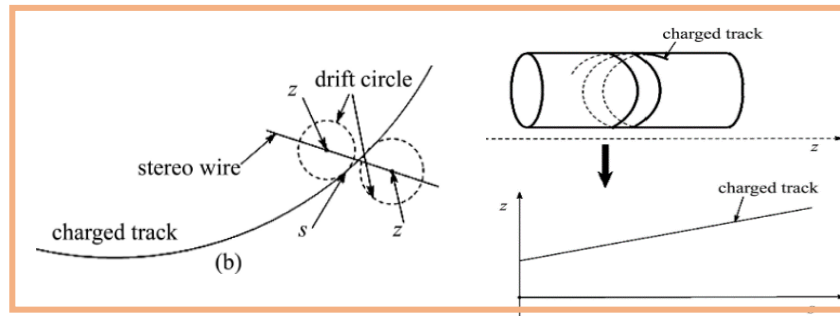
s-z fit with left/right ambiguity

3D helix

### Local method in super layer



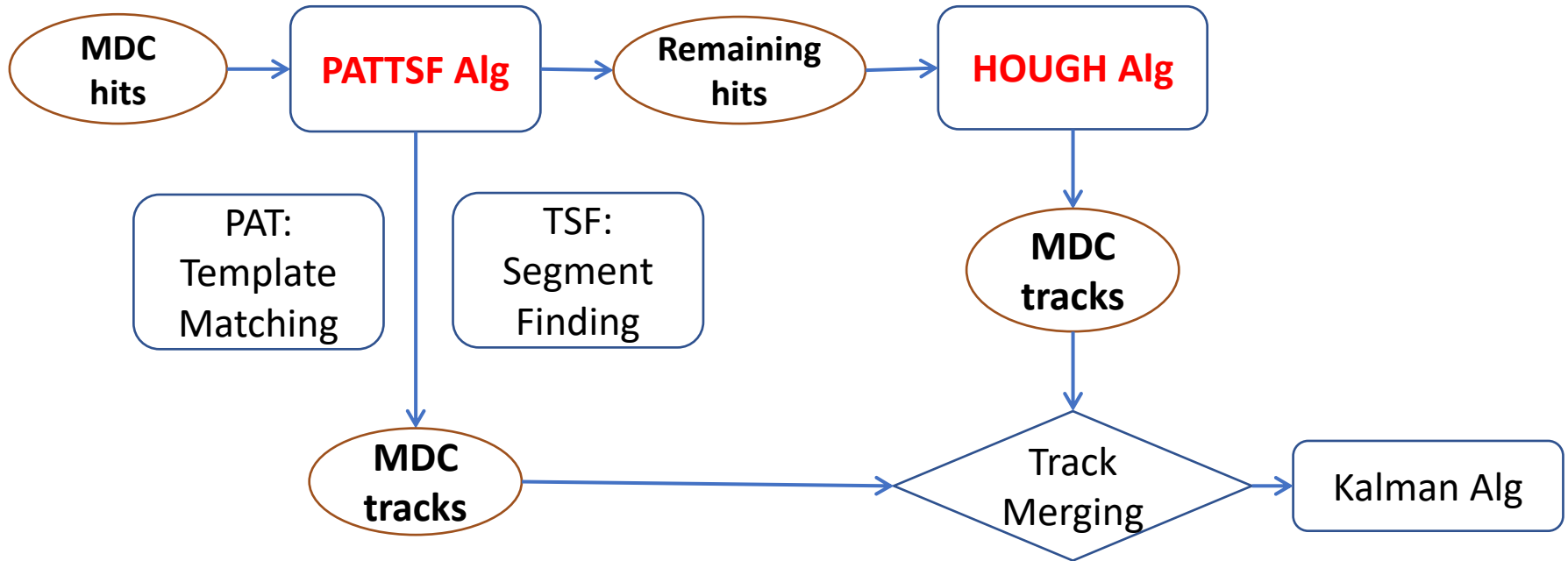
### Global method : Hough Trans



- **Local/Global approach in 2D Track Finding**
- **2D(circle) track parameters is key input for stereo-wire calculation and 3D tracking**

# Offline Track Reconstruction

## Baseline Track Reconstruction workflow at BESIII

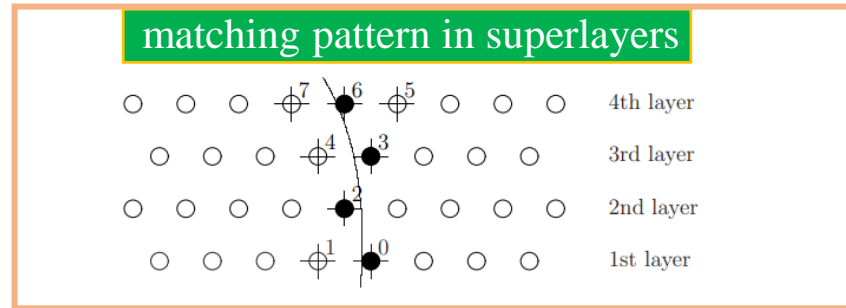


- Local approach **PATTSF** : search/match track segments in superlayers
- For low transverse momentum tracks with less hits/segments : **HOUGH**
- Hough transform also works as the baseline approach of CGEM-ODC software

# Local Approach I : Template Matching

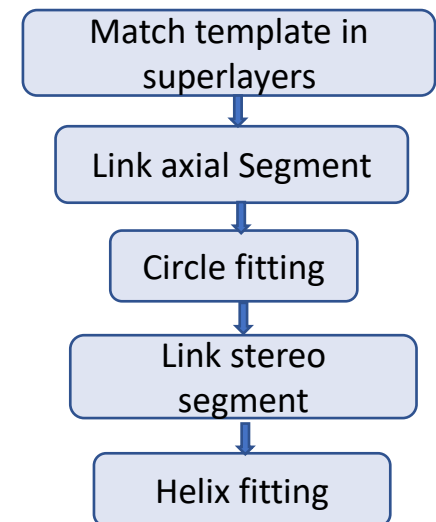
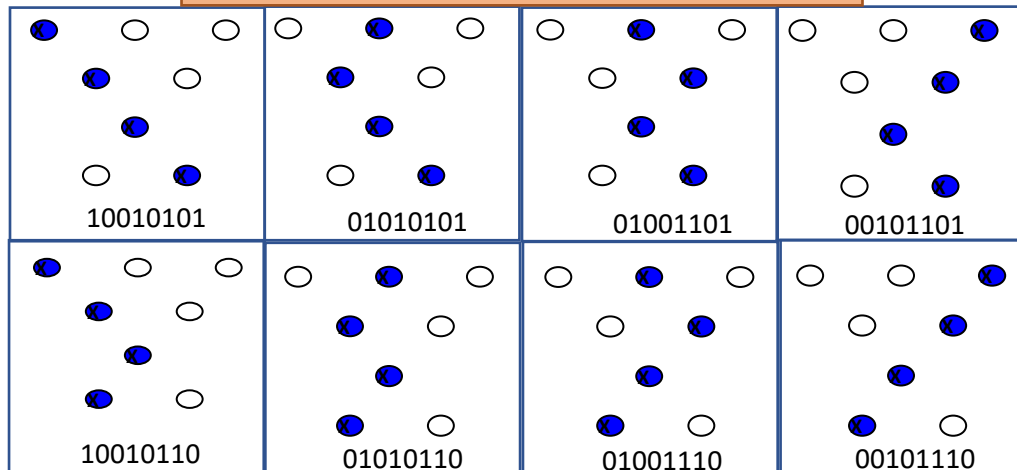
From Zhangyao

- Particularly suitable for cell-based MDC geometry
- Division of chambers into cells provides a natural basis to define “**template**”
- **Superlayer structure chamber** && Symmetrical geometry along phi



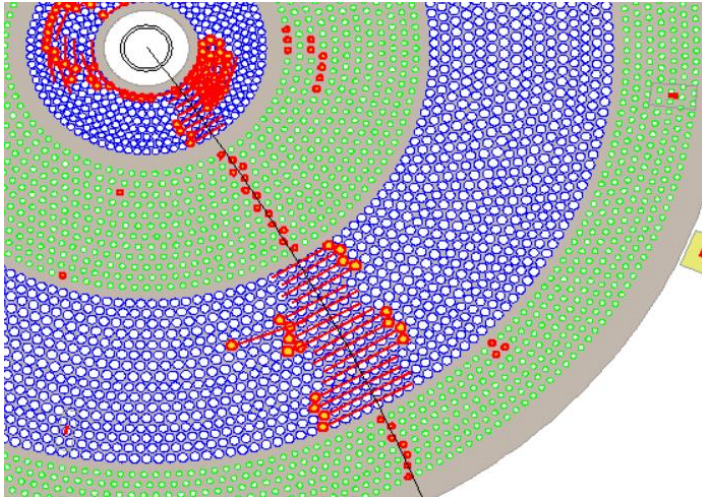
## ➤ PAT Algorithm

4-hit pattern, 8 wire group dictionary



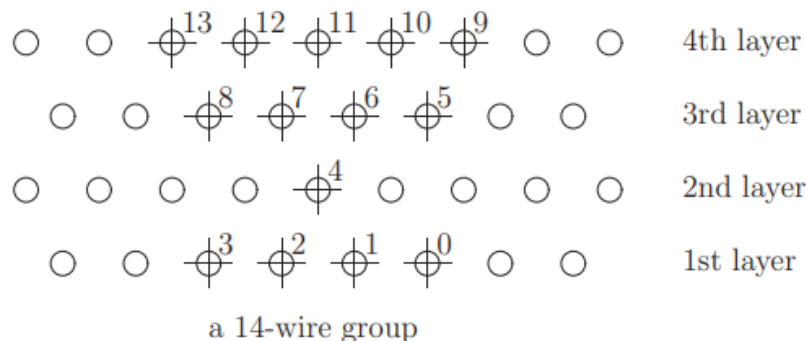
# Extended Template Matching Approach

- Advantageous for high transverse momentum(pt) tracks



Straight : high efficiency for matching  
Long : More track segments

- Azimuth coverage angle of segment groups doesn't meet the requirements for curling track segment
- In BESIII an extending template with 14 wires is studied considering MDC geometry

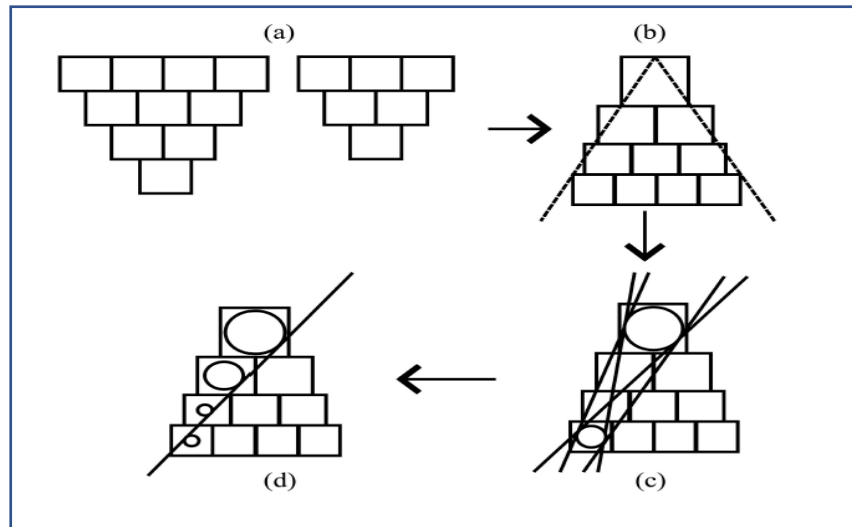




# Local Approach II : Segment Finding

## ➤ TSF Algorithm

- Segment finding approach in superlayers, but for higher curvature tracks than PAT
- Using **drift distance** measurement
  - hit pattern in superlayer -> Common tangents of drift circles : using Conformal Transform
  - **Key : searching for common tangents in superlayers**



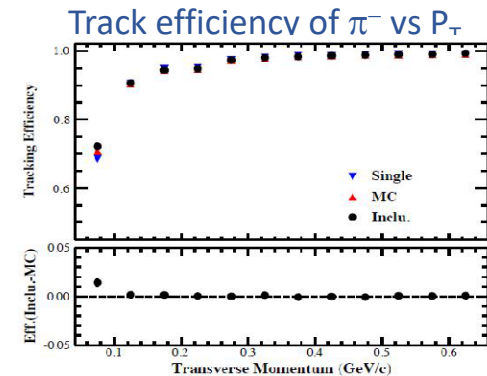
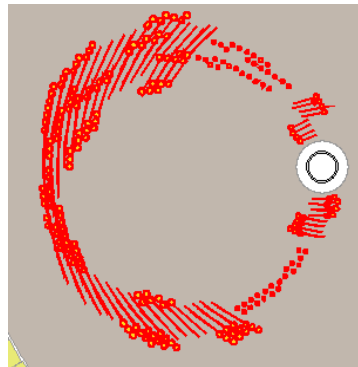
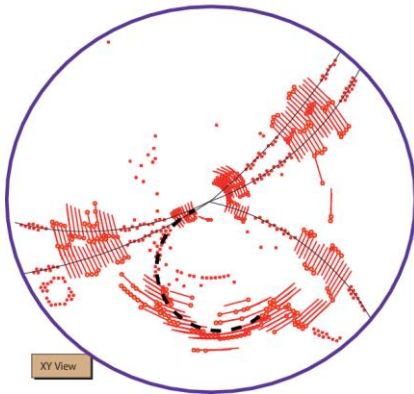
- (a) Two original types of TSF
- (b) Four-layer type pattern in the
- (c) Conformal plane fitted out by the drift circles of the inner and outer hits
- (d) Append other hits in this model

# Low Transverse Momentum Track

## ➤ Geometrical trouble : $p_T < 120\text{MeV}/c$

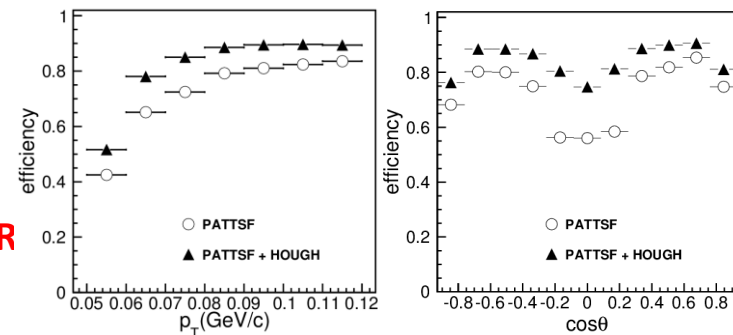
Low  $p_T$  tracks bring difficulties for local Segment matching based algorithm

- Tracks with large  $p_z$  : Short tracks with insufficient hits
- Tracks with small  $p_z$  : curling in MDC, leaving multitrack tracks



## ➤ Hough transform

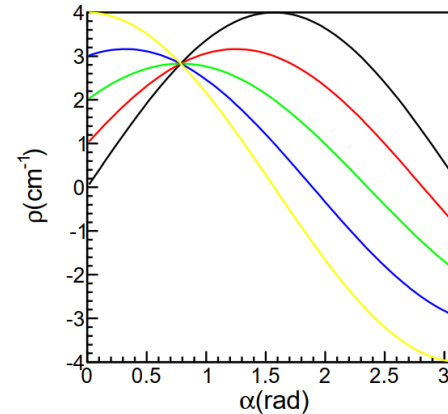
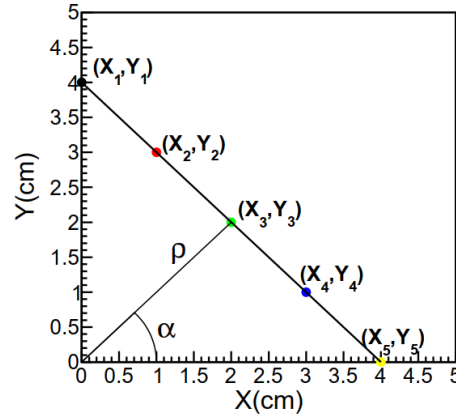
- Global method **not influenced by segment on superlayers**
- Using hits effectively for low  $p_T$  tracks
- Available to be a combination of **CGEM and OUTER Drift-Chamber**



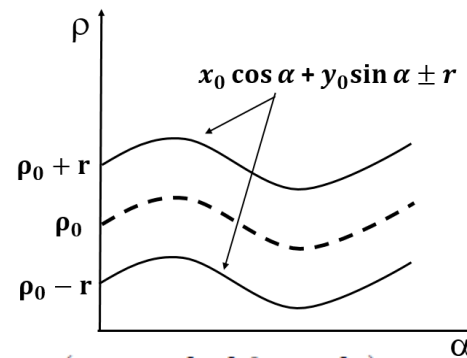
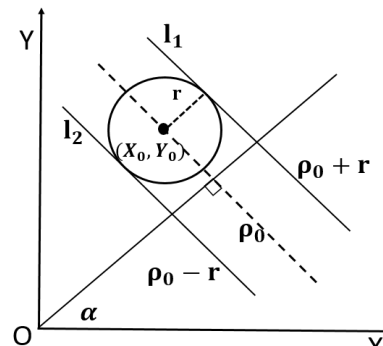
# Hough Transform / Legendre Transform

## Hough transform

- Transform a point in real space to a line or a curve in parameter space
- Points rest on a line in real space  $\leftrightarrow$  lines or curves focus in Hough space



## Hough/Legendre transform in MDC

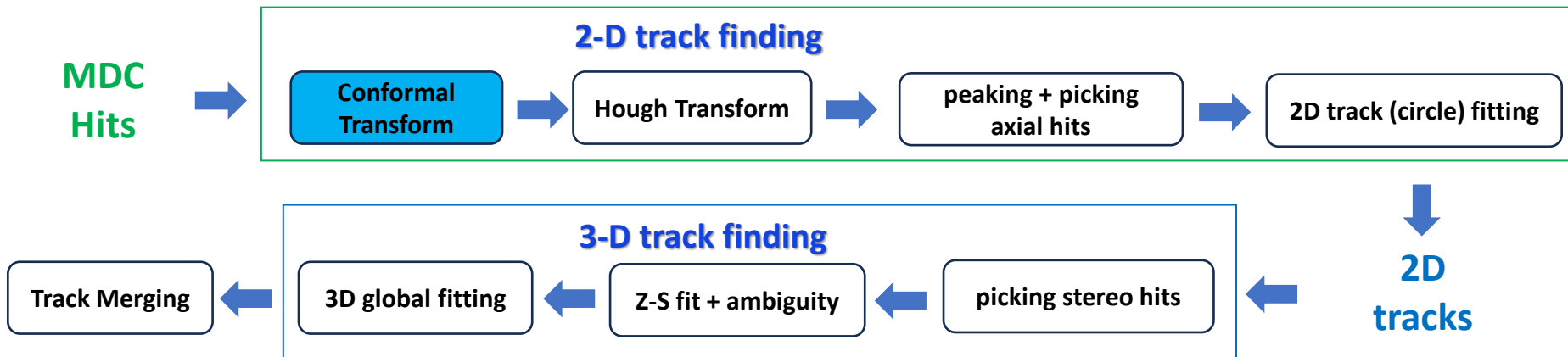


$$\rho = X \cos \alpha + Y \sin \alpha + r, \text{ (upper half circle)}$$

$$\rho = X \cos \alpha + Y \sin \alpha - r, \text{ (lower half circle)}$$

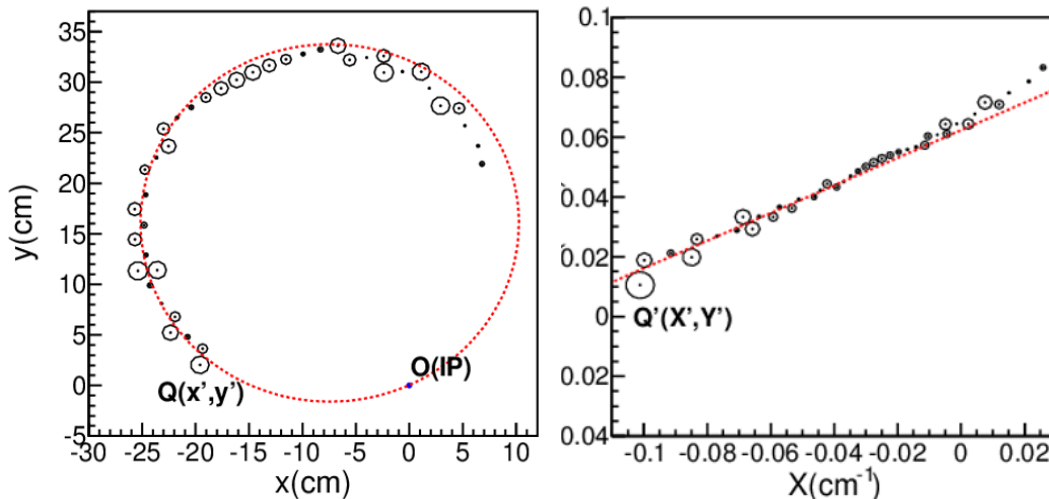
One drift circle  $\rightarrow$  two curve lines on Hough space

# Global Approach : Hough Transform in BESIII



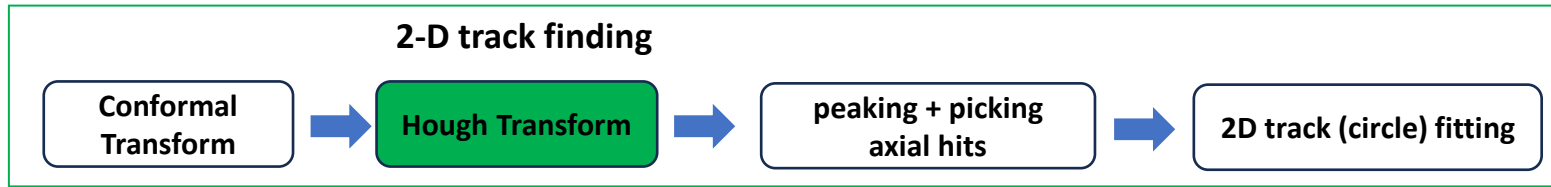
## I. Conformal transform

- (Track) Circles passing the origin point transform into **straight lines**
- (Drift) Circles not passing the origin point transform into **new circles**

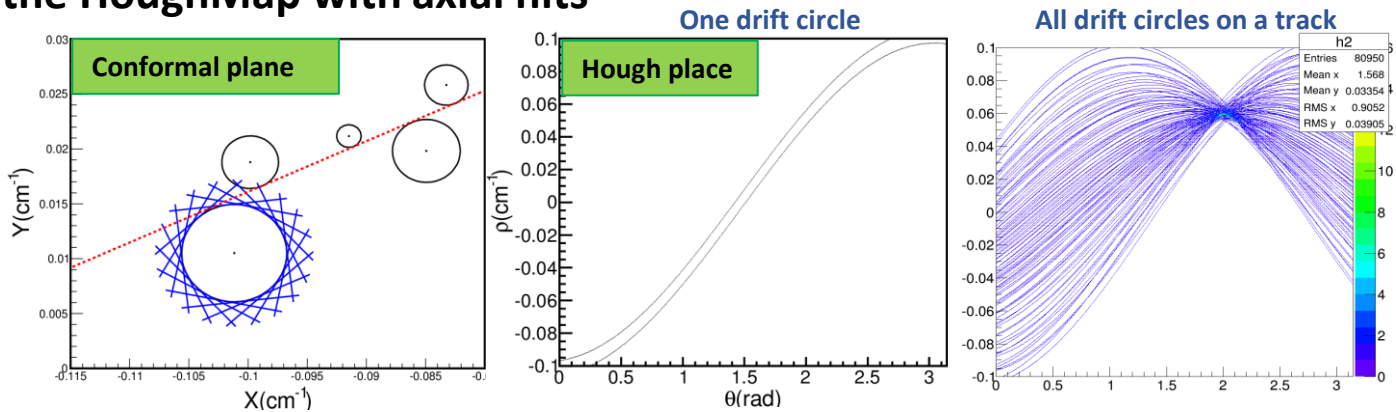


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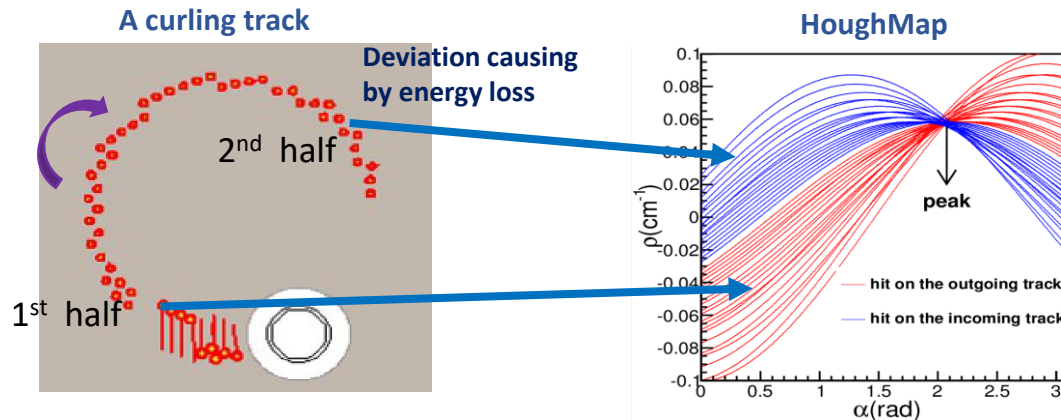
MDC Hits



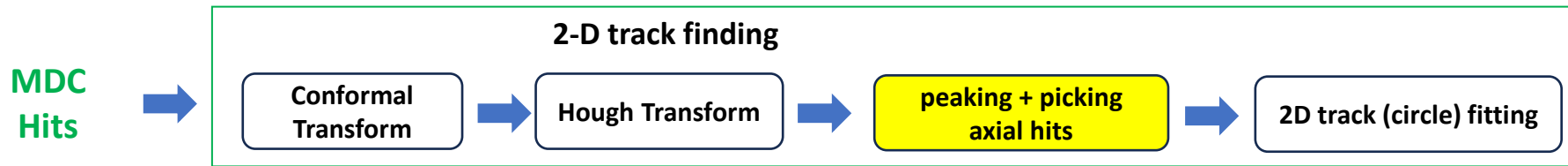
## II. Filling the HoughMap with axial hits



- Split the map into 2 different clockwise using slope of the curves
- 2<sup>nd</sup> half hits occurs large deviations ; treat high pt head-to-head tracks

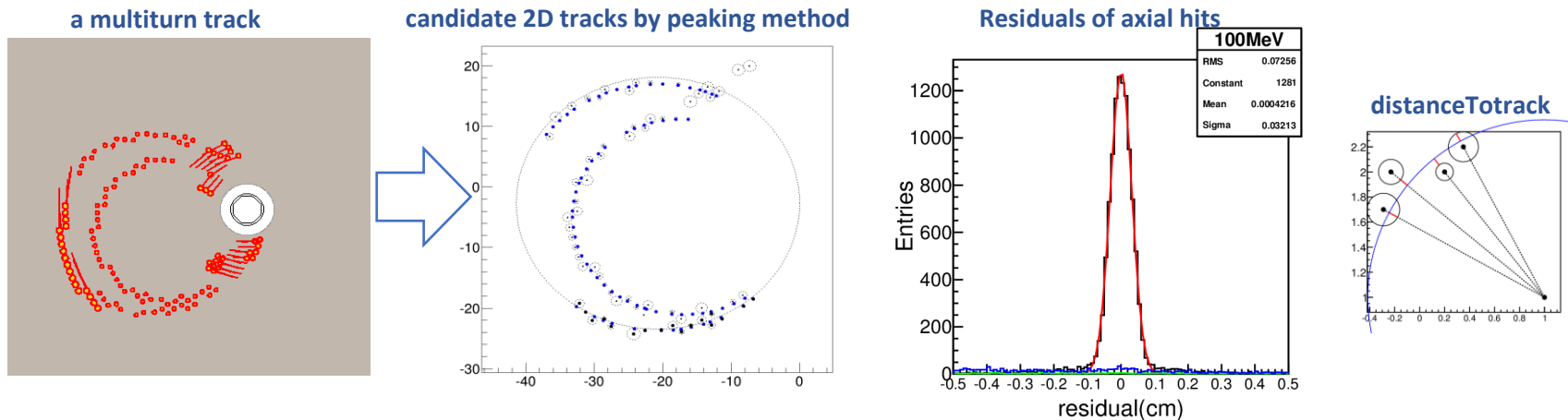


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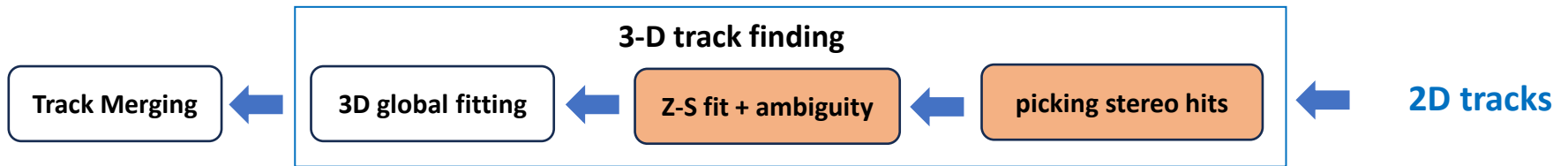


## III. Applying **Peaking approach** and picking **axial hits with using distanceToTrack**

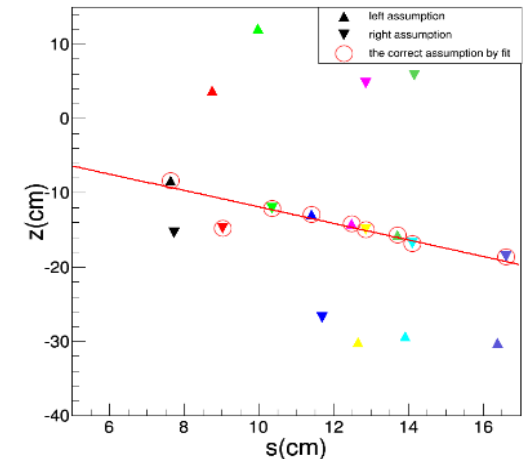
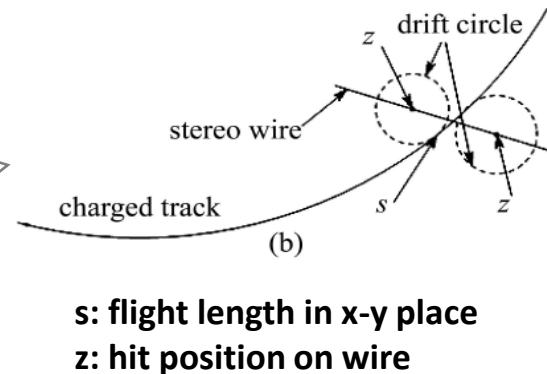
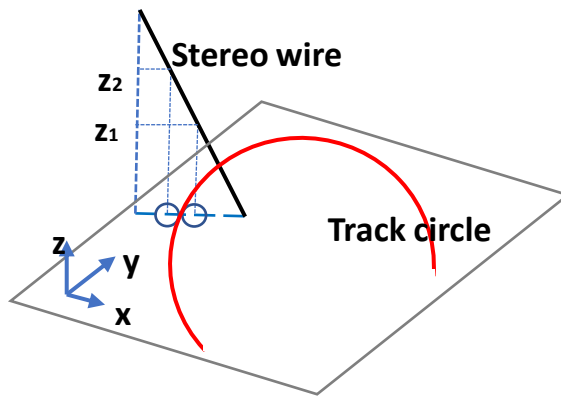
- 2D track parameters are retrieved from peak finding method
- Axial hits then picking up with its distance
- **Multi-turn tracks can be partially separated**



# Global Approach : Hough Transform in BESIII



- When 2D Hough tracking is done, do 2D circle fitting to get track on x-y space



- 3D tracking to **pick stereo hits** and **get initial 3D parameters**
- Left/right ambiguity is considered
- A global fitting is performed to retrieve the parameters of helix track

# Track Fitting in BESIII

From Wang Liangliang

- During Track finding, Least Square Method is performed to an ideal circle/Helix

$$\tilde{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{p}^0 + (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{W} \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{W} \cdot (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{p}^0))$$

Track parameters after an iteration      Track parameters       $\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{p})}{\partial \mathbf{p}}$  at  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^0$       Weighting matrix (inverse of error matrix)      Measurements vector      Measurement function

- Track parameters converged with iterations
- Track candidate selection, Hits selection with  $\chi^2$
- Provide initial track parameters

- Kalman filter is performed following track finding, considering inhomogeneous magnetic field, energy loss and uncertainty from multiple scattering

$$\mathbf{p}_{k|k} = \mathbf{p}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k (\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{p}_{k|k-1})$$

Filtered track parameters at measurement k      Predicted track parameters from k-1 measurements      Gain matrix      the k-th measurement      Derivative matrix

Track are fitted with 5 particle hypothesis



# Tracking Performance

From Liufang

Four Datasets: 10Billion J/psi events (2009+2012+2018+2019)

By applying Event Selection for pion sample from  $J/\psi \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

- Definition of the tracking efficiency

$N$

$N$ : No. events with **two good charged** tracks and net zero charge

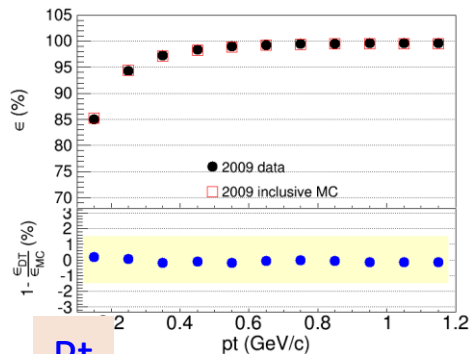
$\epsilon = \frac{N}{N'}$

$N'$

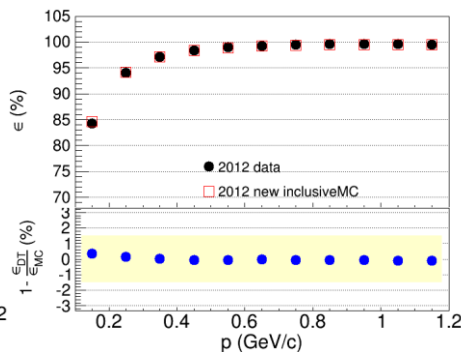
$N'$ : SUM of No. events with **one good charge track** and  
No. events with **two good charged** tracks and net zero charge

Error for the tracking efficiency:  $\delta = \sqrt{\epsilon(1-\epsilon)/N'}$

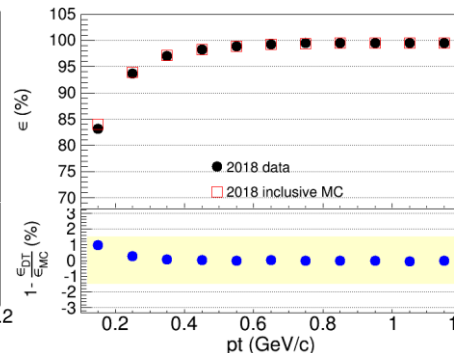
2009 dataset



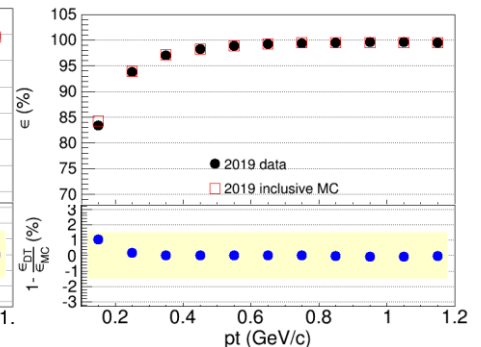
2012 dataset



2018 dataset



2019 dataset

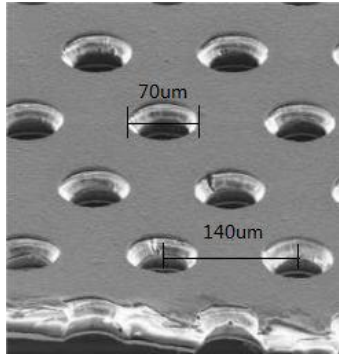


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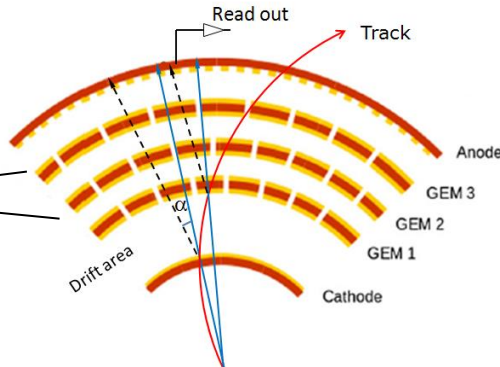
# Tracking With New Inner Tracker : CGEM

## CGEM (Cylindrical Gas Electron Multiplier)

From Wang Liangliang

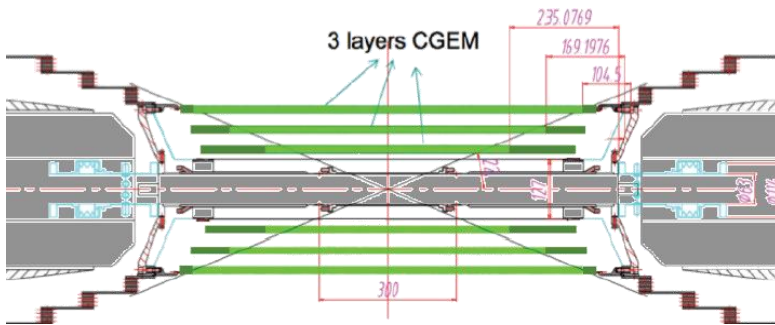


GEM

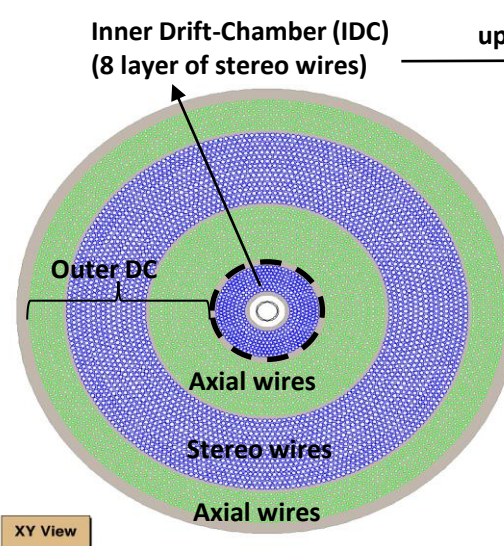


GEM detector

- Anode and cathode and 3 layers of GEM foil
- X&V reader

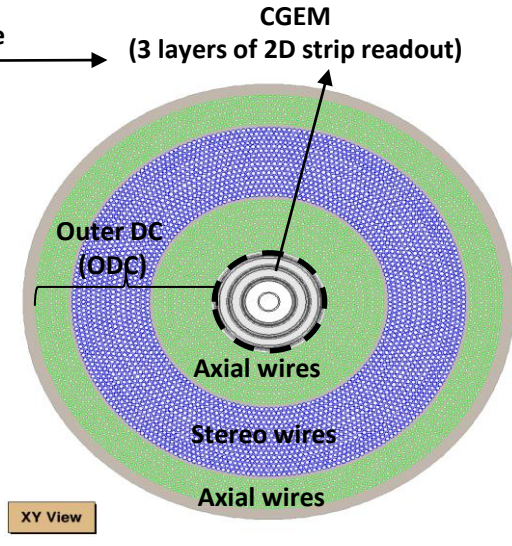


- 3 layers of cylinder GEM detector
- replace MDC inner chamber



MDC

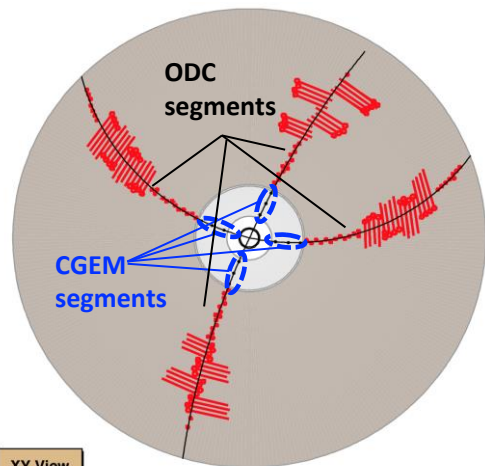
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CGEM+ODC

# Tracking With New Inner Tracker : CGEM

From Wang Liangliang



$\psi(3686) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\text{J}/\psi \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\text{e}^+\text{e}^-$

## Two tasks

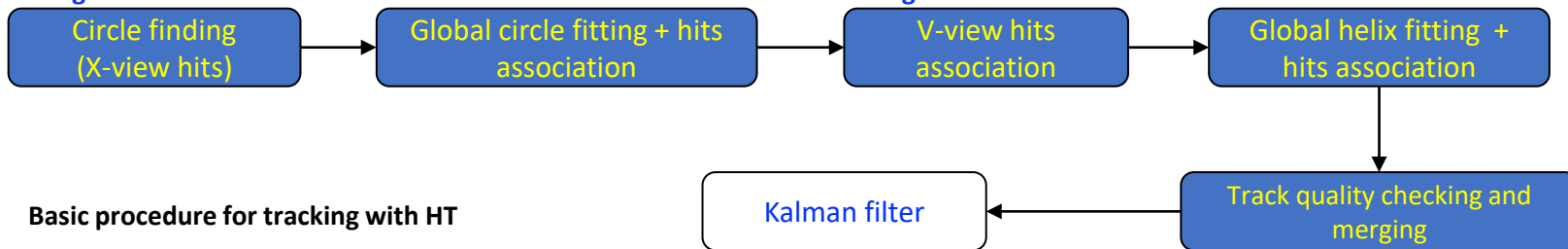
- Track finding
  - ✓ Global method
- Track fitting
  - ✓ Least-Square Method (LSM) with helix model
  - ✓ Kalman Filter (KF)

## Global track finding with Hough Transform

- The procedure includes **two key steps**:
  - ① Circle finding
  - ② V-view hits association
- Both steps use Hough transform to get track candidates and initial track parameters
- A global fitting with Least-Square method is after each step

Hough transform 1

Hough transform 2



Basic procedure for tracking with HT

All parts of CGEM software have implementations, now in tuning/optimization/improving

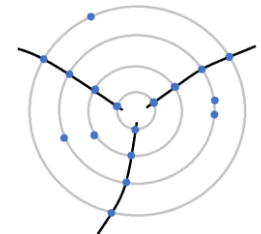
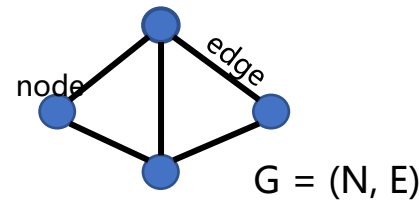
## Graph Neural Network

◆ A type of neural network that are specifically designed to operate on graph-structured data

◆ Graph: nodes, edges

◆ Graph  $\rightarrow$  Track

- Nodes  $\rightarrow$  Hits
- edges  $\rightarrow$  track segments



◆ GNN key idea: propagate information across the graph using a set of learnable functions that operate on node and edge features

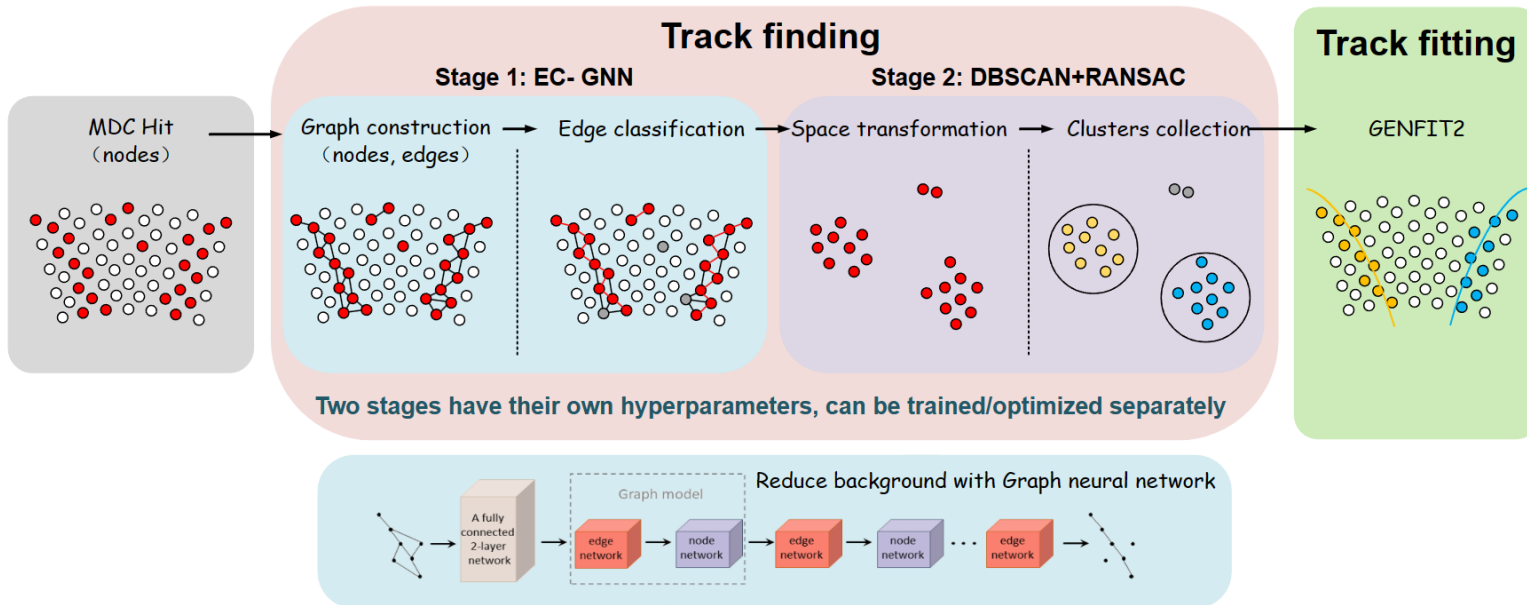
◆ Edge classification - GNN

- High classification score  
 $\rightarrow$  *the edge belongs to a true particle track*
- Low classification score  
 $\rightarrow$  *it is a spurious or noise edge*



# GNN based tracking

From Qin Xiaoshuai



## Graph construction

*To reduce the number of fake edges during graph construction*

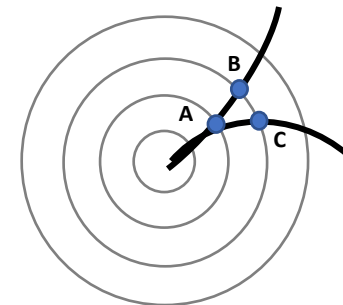
### Pattern Map based on MC simulation

#### ◆ Edge assignment based on Pattern Map

- Hit and its neighbors on the **same layer** and **next layer**
- Hit and its neighbors' neighbors on **one layer apart**

### Graph representation

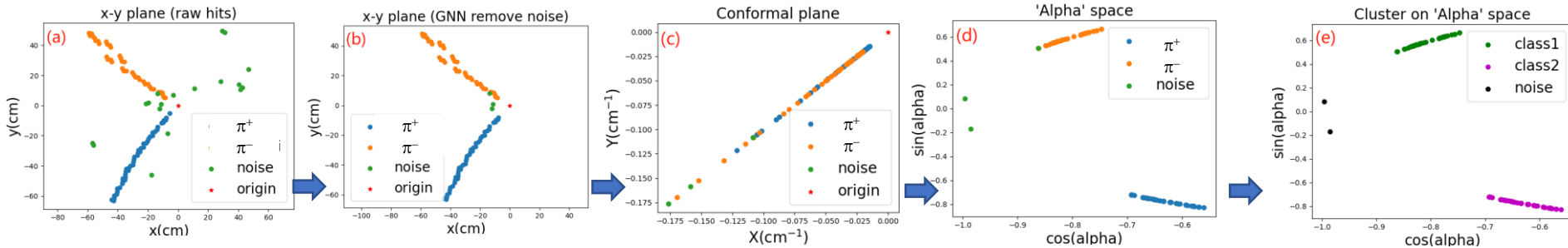
- Node features (raw drift time, position coordinates  $r$ ,  $\phi$  of the sense wires)
- edge labels for training data



# GNN based tracking

From Qin Xiaoshuai

## Clustering of Tracks Based on DBSCAN+RANSAC



a) Original MC data sample:  $J/\psi \rightarrow \rho^0 \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$

b) Remove noise via GNN

c) Transform to Conformal plane

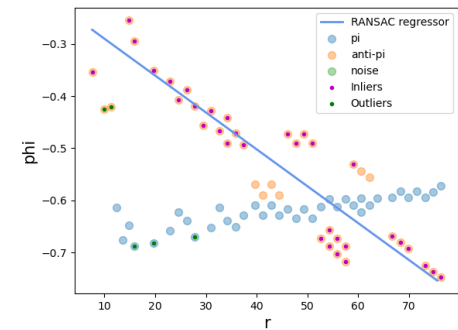
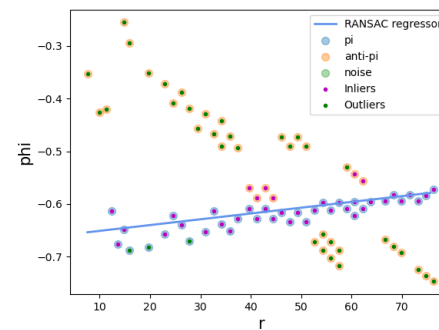
$$X = \frac{2x}{x^2+y^2} \quad Y = \frac{2y}{x^2+y^2}$$

- Circle passing the origin transform into a straight line

d) Transform to ' $\alpha$ ' parameter plane

- $\alpha$  as the angle between the straight line and X axis
- The parameter space as  $\cos\alpha$  and  $\sin\alpha$

e) **DBSCAN** clustering in ' $\alpha$ ' parameter plane



**RANSAC** to improve separation of hits from crossing tracks:

- Divide hits where too many hits belong to one cluster
- Threshold and parameterization need further optimization.



# Summary

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- BESIII Track reconstruction software have been validated with the collision data taken over years, reliable and high performant
- In the past decades, many methods has been tested and validated, some has been used in offline data reconstruction process
- BESIII experiment provides a good platform for the research of new strategies, some modern methods are being studied in BESIII

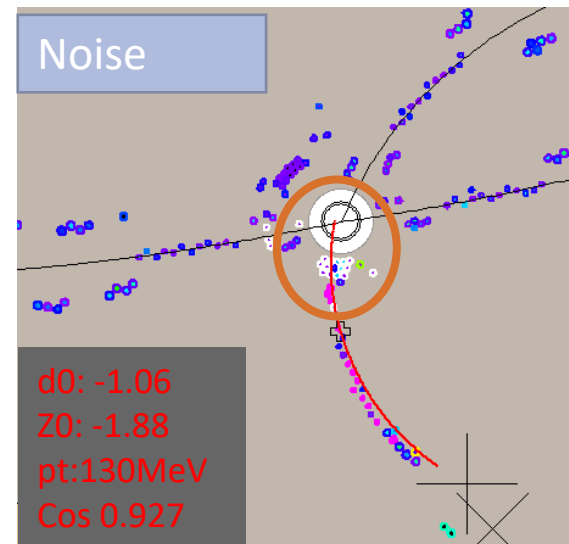
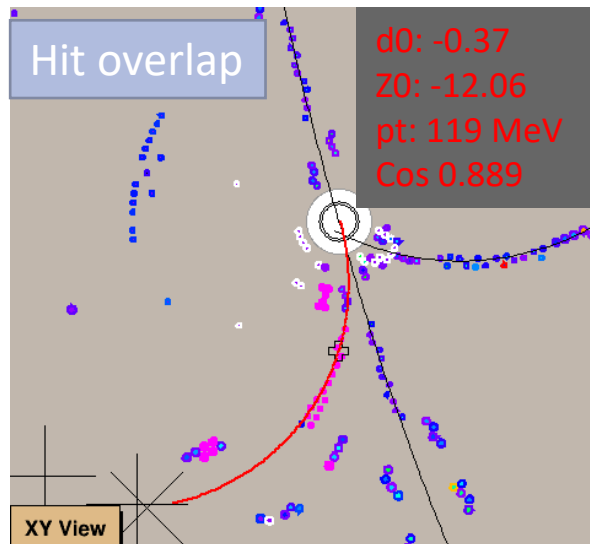
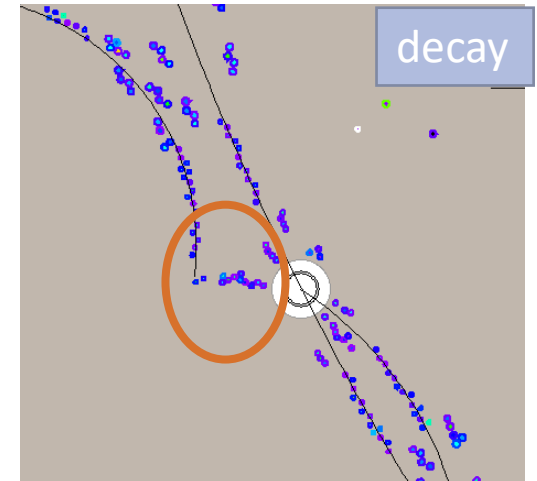
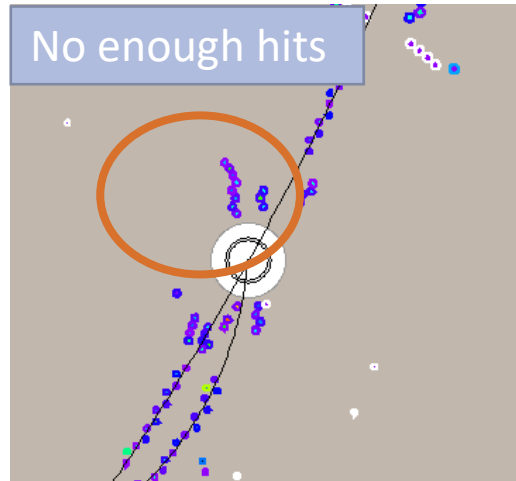
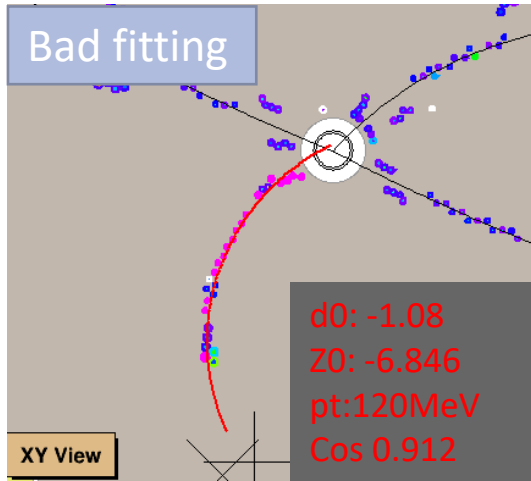
Thank you!



# Backup



# Failed reason at Large dip angle



# Event Selection for pion sample from $J/\psi \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

## Initial event selection:

- One or two good charged tracks with net zero charge.
- At least two good photons

## Final event selection:

For  $\pi^0$  signal,

- $N_\gamma=2$ ;
- $0.110\text{GeV} < M(\gamma\gamma) < 0.15\text{GeV} \&\& |\cos\theta_{\gamma\gamma}| < 0.95$

For the first good charged track:

- identified as pion
- $M_{\text{miss}}(K\gamma\gamma) < 0.35\text{GeV}$  (assuming that the first good charged track is kaon);
- $E/P < 0.8$ ;
- $N(\text{hit-layer-muon}) < 3$ ;

- ✓  $\pi^+$  tracking efficiency is done by count through the decay mode  $\rho^+\pi^-$ ,  $\rho^0\pi^0$  and phase space  $\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$  with  $M(\pi^+\pi^0) > 1.0\text{GeV}$  (delete  $\rho^-\pi^+$  events)
- ✓  $\pi^-$  tracking efficiency is done by count through the decay mode  $\rho^-\pi^+$ ,  $\rho^0\pi^0$  and phase space  $\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$  with  $M(\pi^+\pi^0) > 1.0\text{GeV}$  (delete  $\rho^+\pi^-$  events)



# Graph construction

*To reduce the number of fake edges during graph construction*

## Pattern Map based on MC simulation

### ◆ Definition of valid neighbors

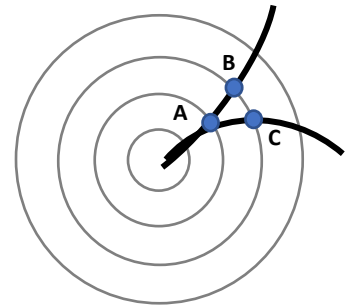
- Hits on the same layer
  - Two adjacent sense wires on the left and right
- Hits on the next layer
  - The collection of sense wires that could potentially represent two successive hits on a track
- Probability requirement estimated from single particle MC:  $e^\pm, \mu^\pm, \pi^\pm, K^\pm, p^\pm$

### ◆ Edge assignment based on Pattern Map

- Hit and its neighbors on the **same layer** and **next layer**
- Hit and its neighbors' neighbors on **one layer apart**

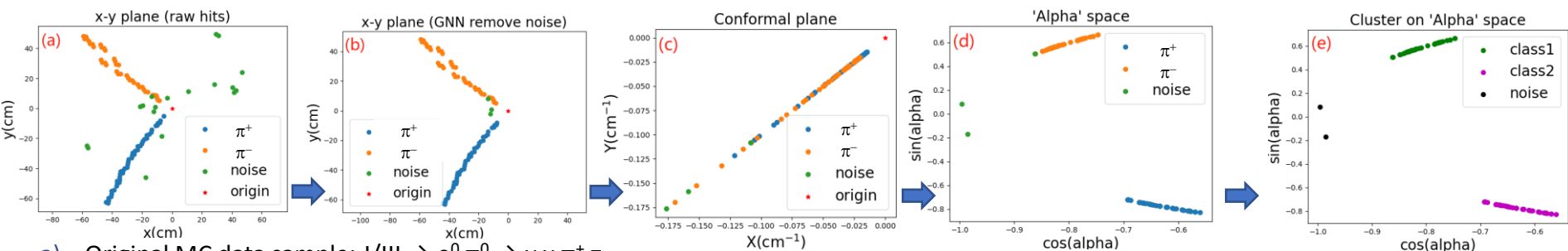
## Graph representation

- Node features (raw drift time, position coordinates  $r, \phi$  of the sense wires)
- edge labels for training data





# Clustering of Tracks Based on DBSCAN+RANSAC



a) Original MC data sample:  $J/\psi \rightarrow \rho^0 \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$

b) Remove noise via GNN

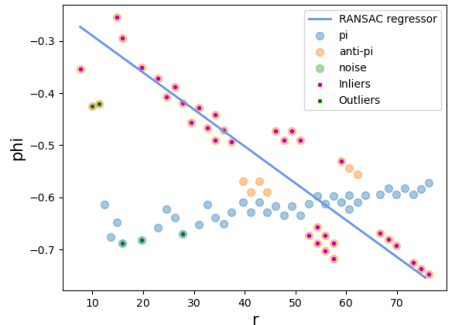
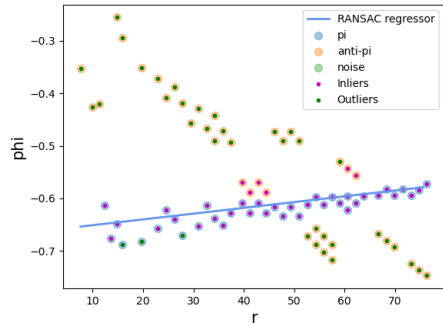
c) Transform to Conformal plane

- $X = \frac{2x}{x^2+y^2}$   $Y = \frac{2y}{x^2+y^2}$
- Circle passing the origin transform into a straight line

d) Transform to ' $\alpha$ ' parameter plane

- $\alpha$  as the angle between the straight line and X axis
- The parameter space as  $\cos\alpha$  and  $\sin\alpha$

e) **DBSCAN** clustering in ' $\alpha$ ' parameter plane



**RANSAC** to improve separation of hits from crossing tracks:

- Divide hits where too many hits belong to one cluster
- Threshold and parameterization need further optimization.

# Track fitting (GNN part)

- Based on **GenFit2** (a Generic Track-Fitting Toolkit)
  - PANDA, Belle II, Fopi, GEM-TPC experiments
  - Kalman filter with reference track (need initial parameters)
  - Deterministic annealing fitter (**DAF**), **left-right ambiguities**
  - Generalized broken line (GBL)
- Drift chamber: **DAF**
- What we need:
  - End points positions of sense wire, particle assumption, initial value of track momentum and position
- Geometry: **TGeoManager**
- **Fitting procedure:**
- Start 1st try: drift distance roughly estimated from TDC、ADC of sense wires.
- Iteration to update information of drift distance, left-right assignment, hit position on z direction and entrancing angle in the cell et al.

