#### Pixel TPC simulation and reconstruction

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#### Outline







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#### Simulation of pads within ilcsoft



Volumes are organised as tube shaped layers, there are no pad columns

- Detector is described by DD4HEP geometry
- Geant4 processes interactions of particle(s) from gun or event
- Single hit in TPC is deposited if energy above threshold (32eV) in a single pad. Position of pad centre crossing is recorded
- TPC hits that are smeared by expected resolution in TPCDigiProcessor are used as input for reconstruction

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# Simulating 55 $\times$ 55 $\mu {\rm m}^2$ pixels as small pads costs too much processing time



#### Processing time increases rapidly at smaller pixel sizes

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#### Interpolate pixels in larger volumes

- The processing time can be sped up by approximating the  $55 \times 55 \ \mu m^2$  pixels over larger, e.g.  $0.99 \times 0.99 \ mm^2$  (18 pixels), volumes
- Register point and direction at entry and exit of volume
- Approximate the circular track with a parabola within the volume



#### Distribution of hits along the track

Ionization in gas follows roughly a Landau distribution Distribute hits with a  $P(N_{\rm hits} = N) \simeq 0.1 \cdot \frac{2N}{N_{\rm total}^2}$  chance to deposit multiple hits



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#### Simulation of pad hits compared to pixel hits

Pad hits	Pixel hits
6  mm  imes 1  mm	$0.55 \mu \mathrm{m}  imes 0.55 \mu \mathrm{m}$
Exactly one hit per layer	Multiple or no hits per layer
22 electrons per hit	1 electron per hit
Only diffusion in $\phi$ and $z$	Diffusion in $r, \phi$ and $z$
${\sim}200$ hits per track	${\sim}10$ 000 hits per track

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#### Tracker hits

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Seeds

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Seed fit and extended

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Track fit

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- ④ Combine curled segments

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Issues when applying pad-track-finding to pixel-hits

- Seed finding: computational complexity of nearest neighbour clustering scales as  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$ Unsuitable for many thousands of pixel hits
- Track fit: initialise Kalman filter with first, middle and last hit 3 hits do not fix the track tight enough, first hits can pull the track fit in the wrong direction



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#### Track finding for pixel TPC

- Perform clustering by  $\phi$  (Hough-transform like)
  - $\blacktriangleright$  Fill histogram of hits by  $\phi$  in pad row range of 750 rows
  - ► Maximum bin is cluster with track candidate if more than 200 hits
  - construct a straight line from the detector center to the average position
  - Cut hits on distance from this line (10mm in  $\phi$  and 3mm rz)
  - initialise track fit with this line

#### Track fitting for pads



Track fit:

- Calculate intersection of helix with layer in coordinates (φ, z)
- Add closest hit to fit if  $\chi^2 < \chi^2_{\text{threshold}}(=35)$

For curled (low momentum) tracks, cluster inward and outward parts separately and merge

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#### Fit tracks by Extended Kalman filter

Fit track by an Extended Kalman Filter: a recursive fitting algorithm working in steps:

- Predict using state-propagator  $\boldsymbol{a}_k^{k-1} = \boldsymbol{f}_k(\boldsymbol{a}_k)$
- Update with measurement  $m_k$  using state-to-measurement projector  $h_k(a_k^{k-1})$
- ...

For pad track fitting

- $\boldsymbol{a}_k$  contains track parameters  $(\boldsymbol{d}_{\rho}, \phi_0, \kappa, \boldsymbol{d}_z, \tan \lambda)$
- $m_k$  is defined for pads as coordinates of a cylindrical surface  $(\phi, z)$ Pixel hits are also smeared in the radial direction r direction Measurement vector has large error for tracks (almost) in z direction Difficult to extend towards multiple layers per element for pixels

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#### Track fitting for pixel hits



Define alternative measure with  $\boldsymbol{m}_k$  as a function of  $\boldsymbol{a}_k^{k-1}$ 

$$m{m}_k(m{a}_k^{k-1}) = \begin{pmatrix} d_0 \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta x \sin(\phi_{ ext{track}}) - \Delta y \cos(\phi_{ ext{track}}) \\ z_{ ext{hit}} + \tan \lambda (\Delta x \cos(\phi_{ ext{track}}) + \Delta y \sin(\phi_{ ext{track}})) \end{pmatrix}$$

the distance to the track  $d_0$  better represents the measurement

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### Fit of straight track

50 GeV muon



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### Fit of curled track

 $1 \ {\rm GeV}$  muon without energy loss



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# Momentum resolution from track fit

50 GeV muon



Pad pull is  $\sim 1.05$  Pixel pull is  $\sim 1.5$  without delta electrons

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## Momentum resolution from track fit

50 GeV muon



Pixel pull without delta electrons scaled to pull  ${\sim}1$ 

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#### Pull of $\omega$ for a 50 GeV muon track at 85°



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#### Conclusion

- Track finding was adapted for the larger number of pixel hits
- A less restrictive measurement vector was implemented for Kalman fitting
- Todo:
  - Fix pull of track fit

#### Pull of 50 GeV muon on pixel tpc without delta electrons



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#### Extended Kalman filter

Recursive fitting algorithm to find state vector  $\boldsymbol{a}_k$  and covariance  $\boldsymbol{C}_k$  at site k from a series of measurements  $\boldsymbol{m}_k$  by procedure:

Predict

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$$\boldsymbol{a}_k^{k-1} = \boldsymbol{f}_{k-1}(\boldsymbol{a}_{k-1})$$
, where  $\boldsymbol{f}_k(\boldsymbol{a}_k)$  is the state-propagator

- ►  $\boldsymbol{C}_{k}^{k-1} = \boldsymbol{F}_{k-1} \boldsymbol{C}_{k-1} \boldsymbol{F}_{k-1}^{T} + \boldsymbol{Q}_{k-1}$ , where  $\boldsymbol{F}_{k-1} = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{f}_{k-1}}{\partial \boldsymbol{a}_{k-1}}$ , and  $\boldsymbol{Q}_{k}$  the covariance of the process noise
- Update

See: Keisuke Fujii, Extended Kalman Filter, The AFCA-SIM-J Group

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#### Pad simulation of 700 MeV muon



#### Hits are only at layer crossings This was solved for pixel hits by adding an interpolator

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#### Parabolic interpolation

The position  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  between the points  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$  is parametrised as a function of  $0 \ge t \ge 1$ 

$$\boldsymbol{x}(t) = \boldsymbol{x}_1 + t(\boldsymbol{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{x}_1) + 4t(1-t)\Delta \boldsymbol{s}, \tag{1}$$

where  $\Delta \pmb{s}$  is the deflection midway given by

$$|\Delta \boldsymbol{s}| = \frac{|\boldsymbol{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{x}_1|}{4} \sin(\Delta \phi_{12}/2).$$
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#### Curled segements in schematic pad layout



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