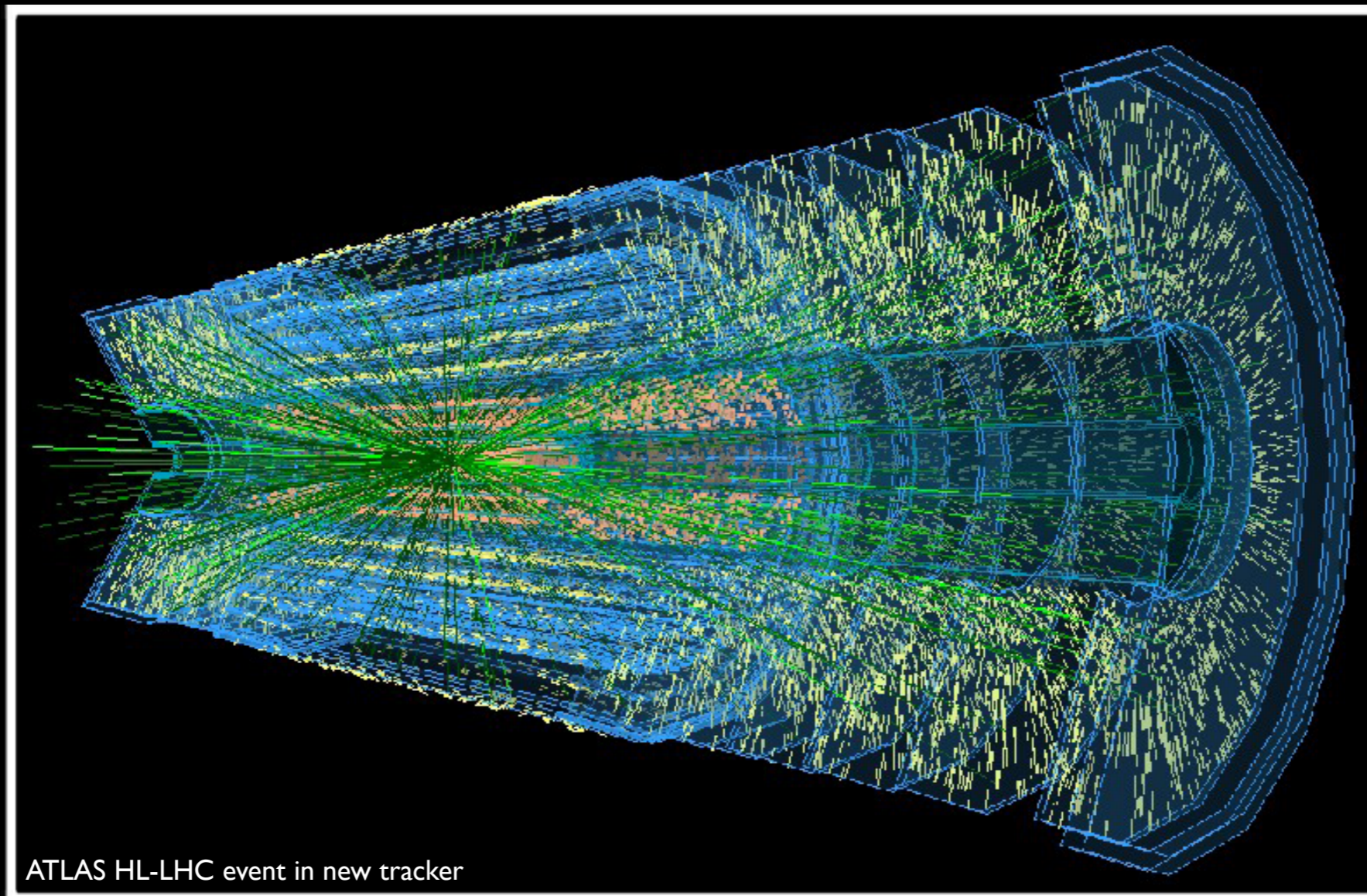


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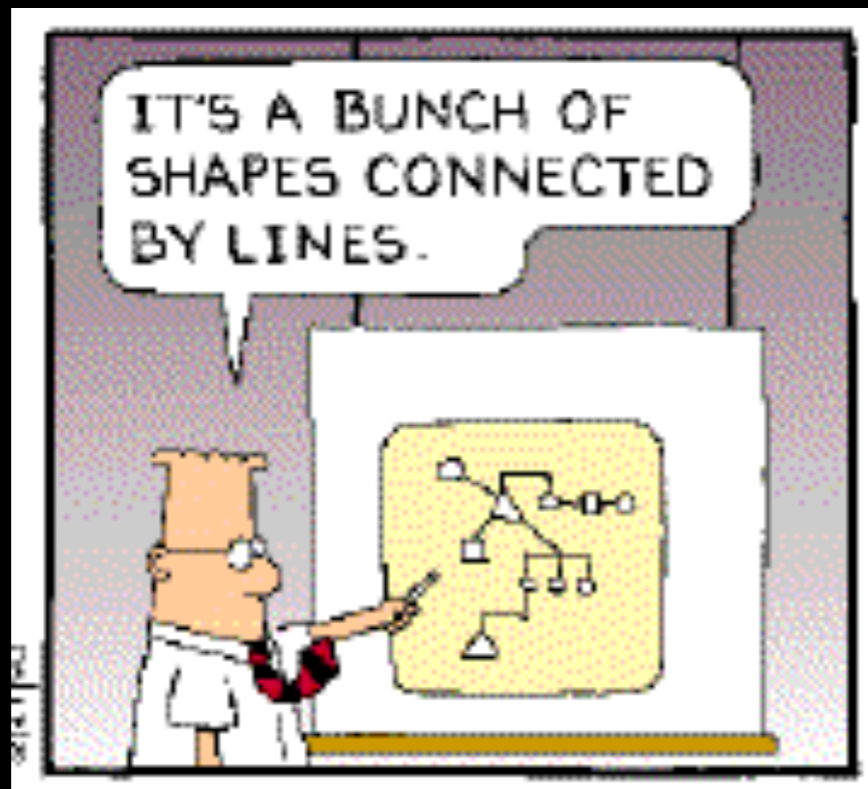
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ATLAS HL-LHC event in new tracker

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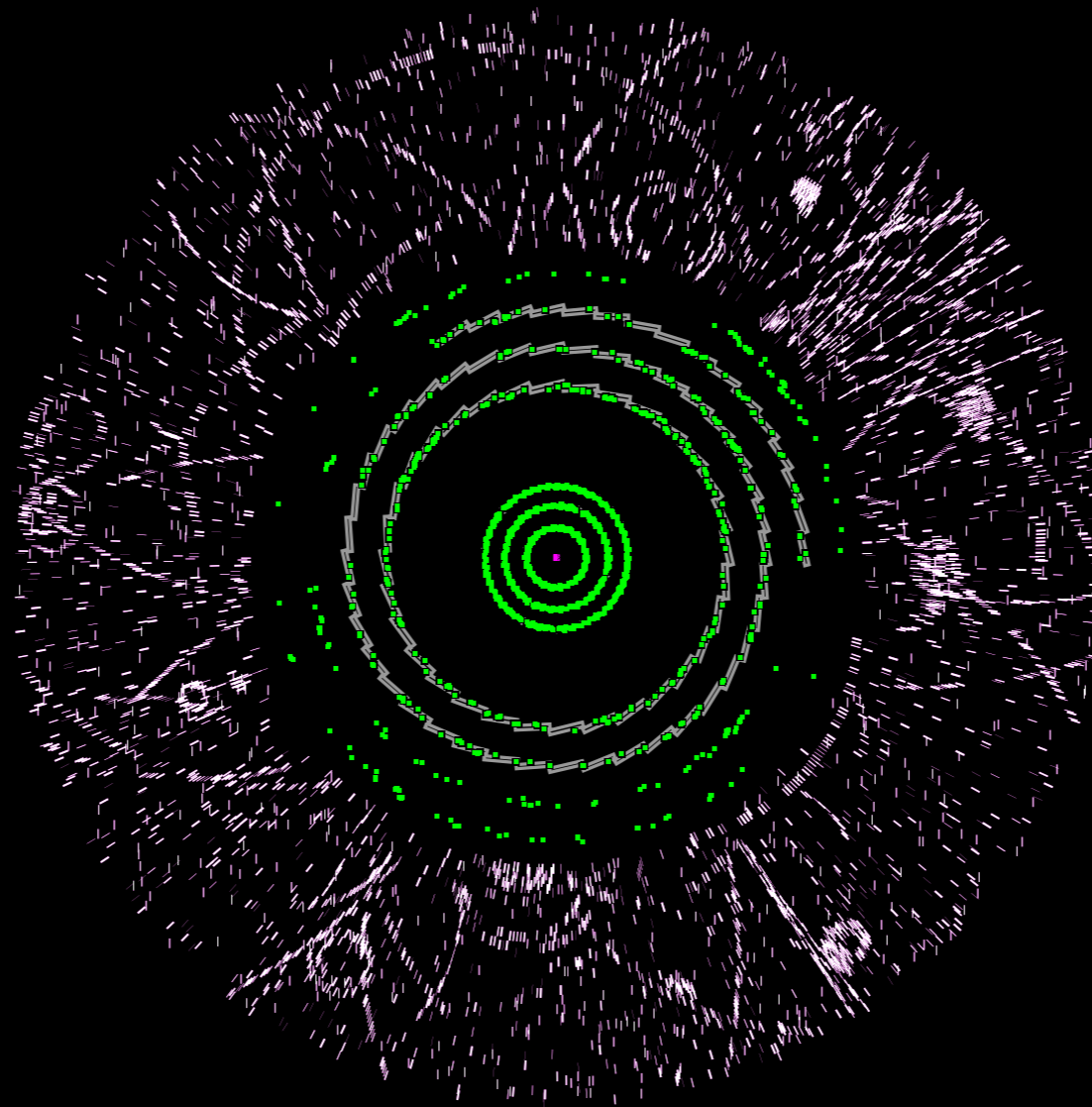
- in this lecture I will discuss the most complex and CPU consuming aspect of **event reconstruction** at the LHC
 - ➔ finding trajectories (**tracks**) of charged particles produced in p-p collisions
- will have to introduce various **techniques** for
 - ➔ pattern recognition, detector geometry, track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



... so **why** does it matter ?

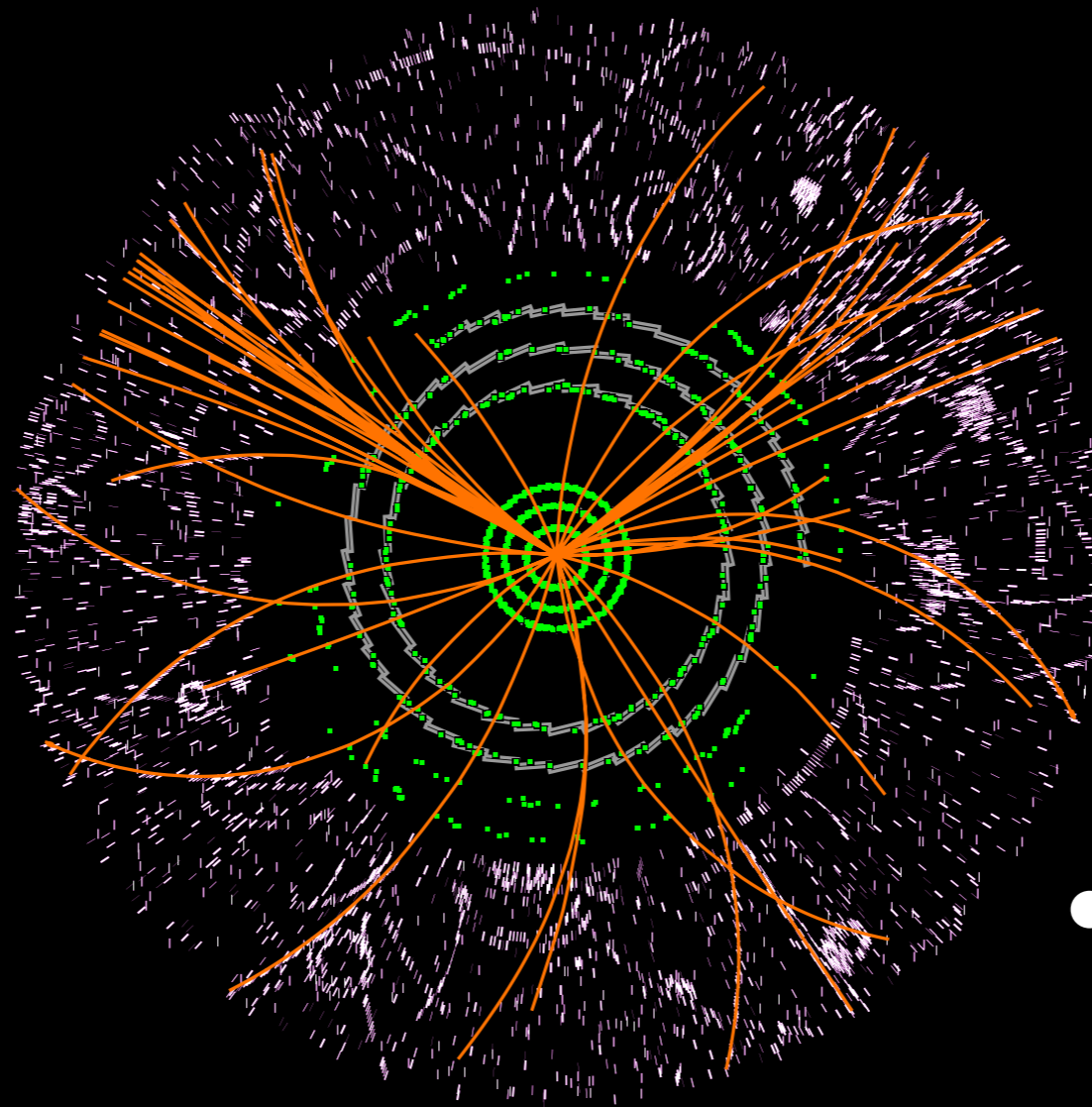
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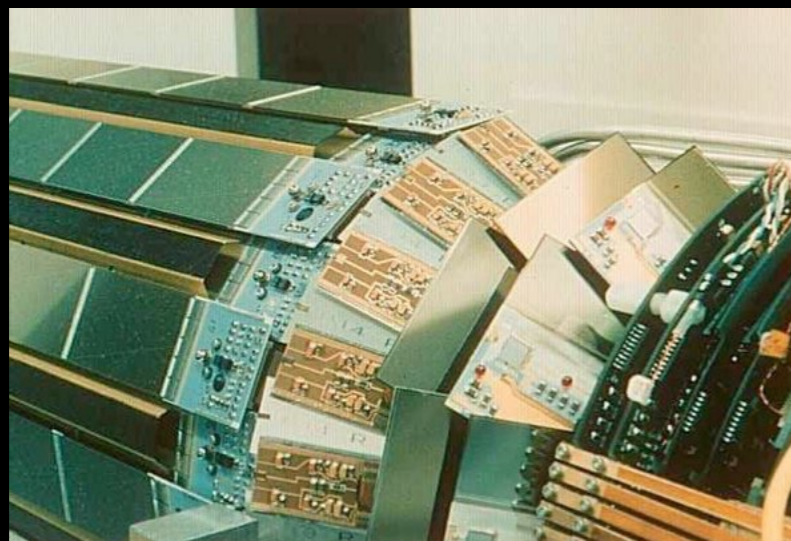
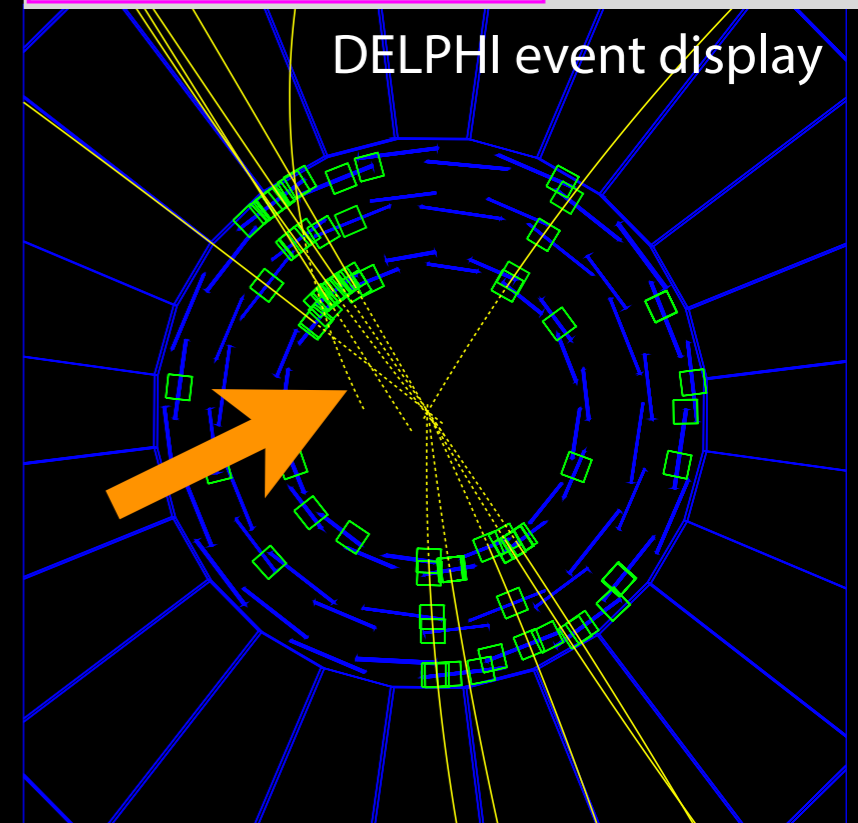
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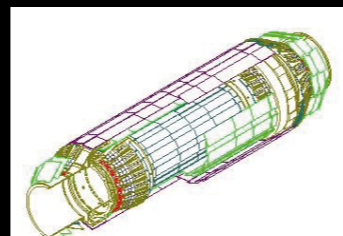
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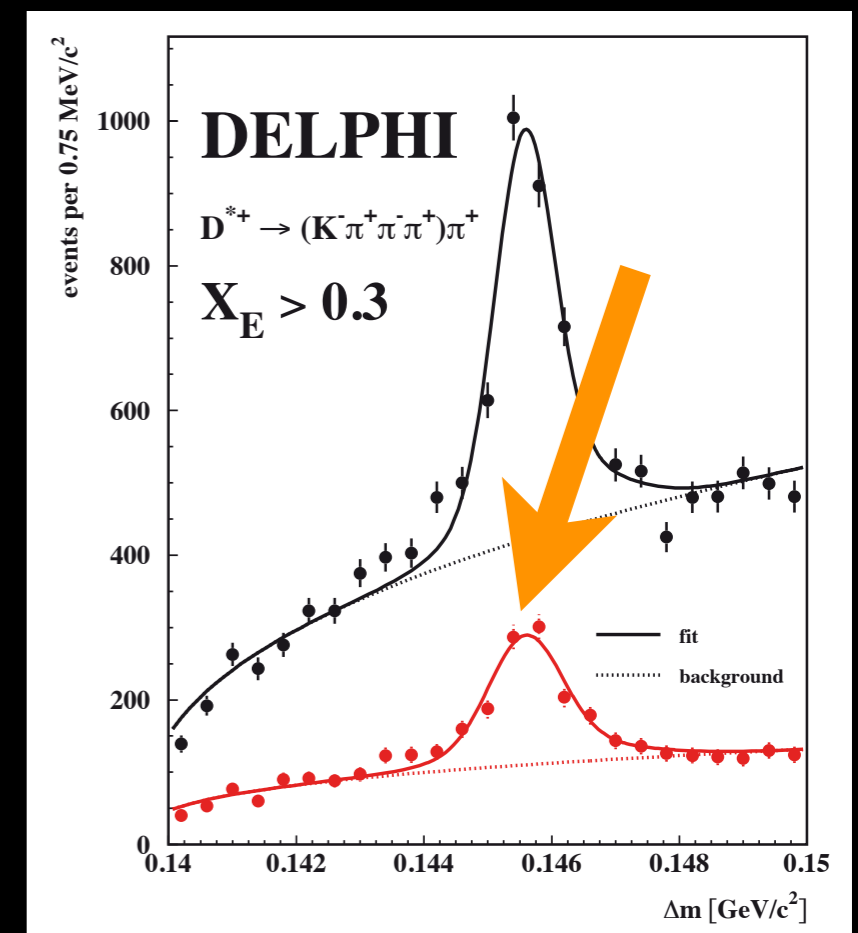
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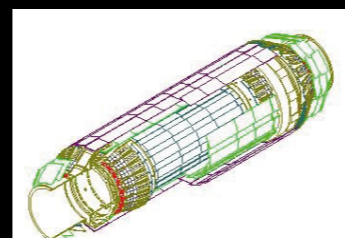
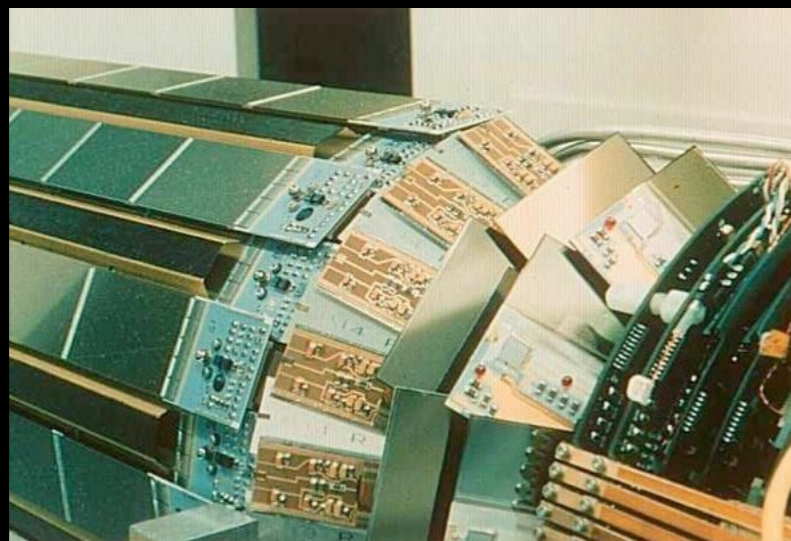
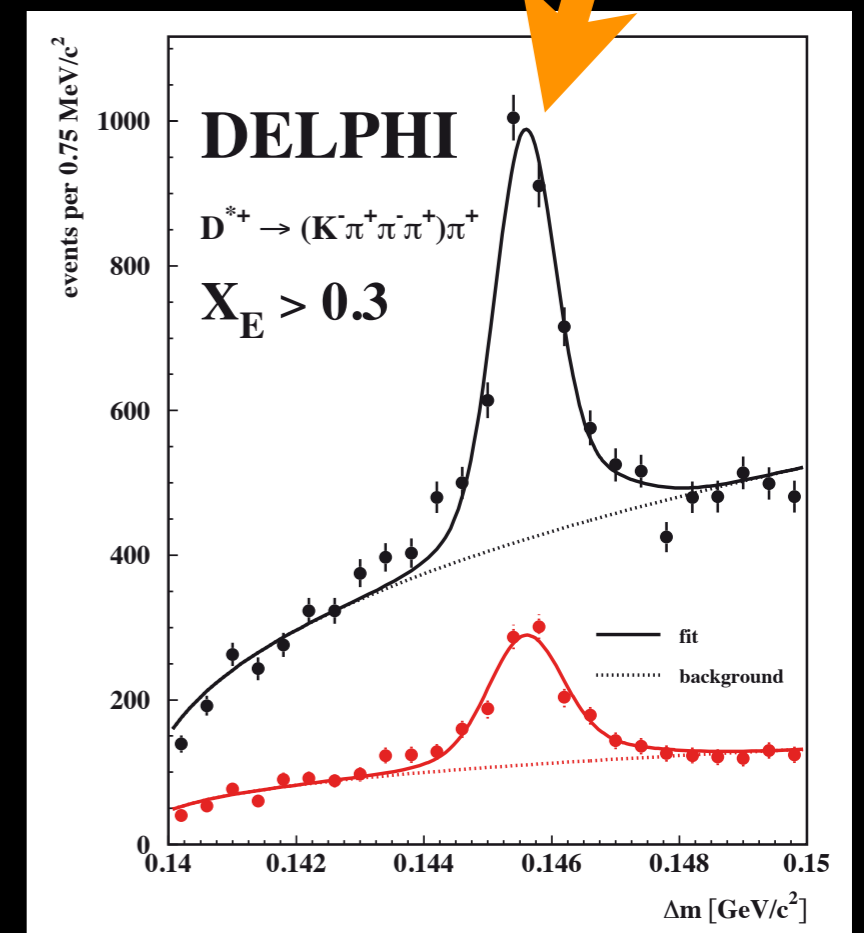
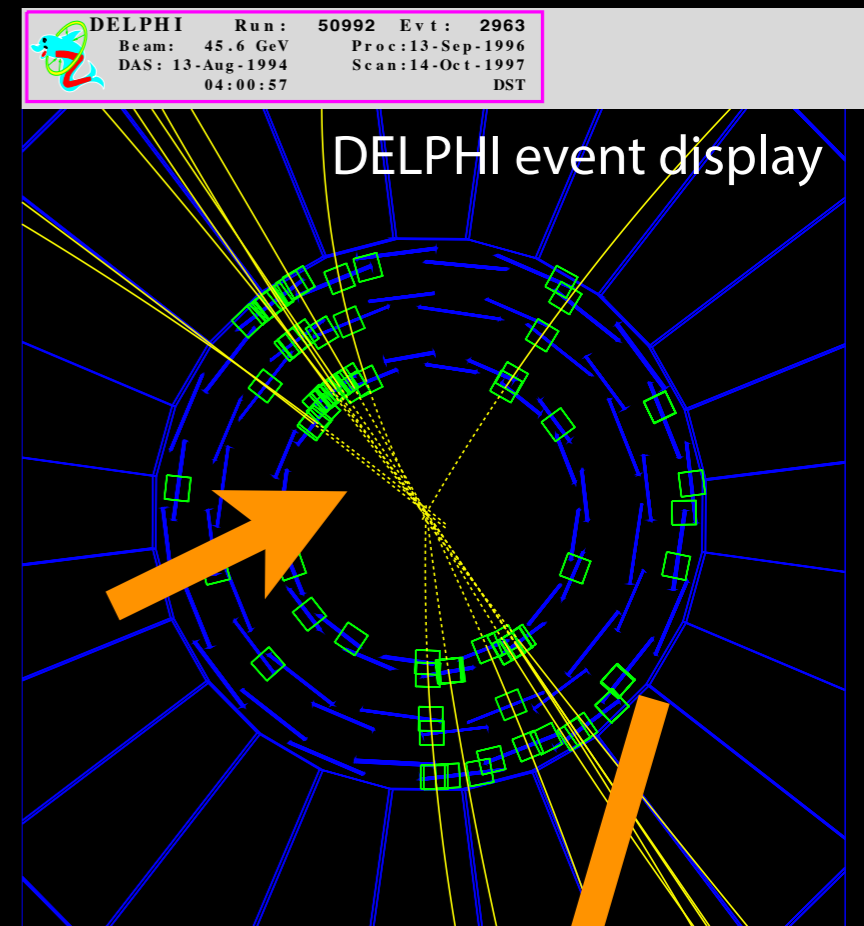


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 - start track finding in vertex detector
 - ➔ **factor ~ 2.5 more D* signal** after reprocessing



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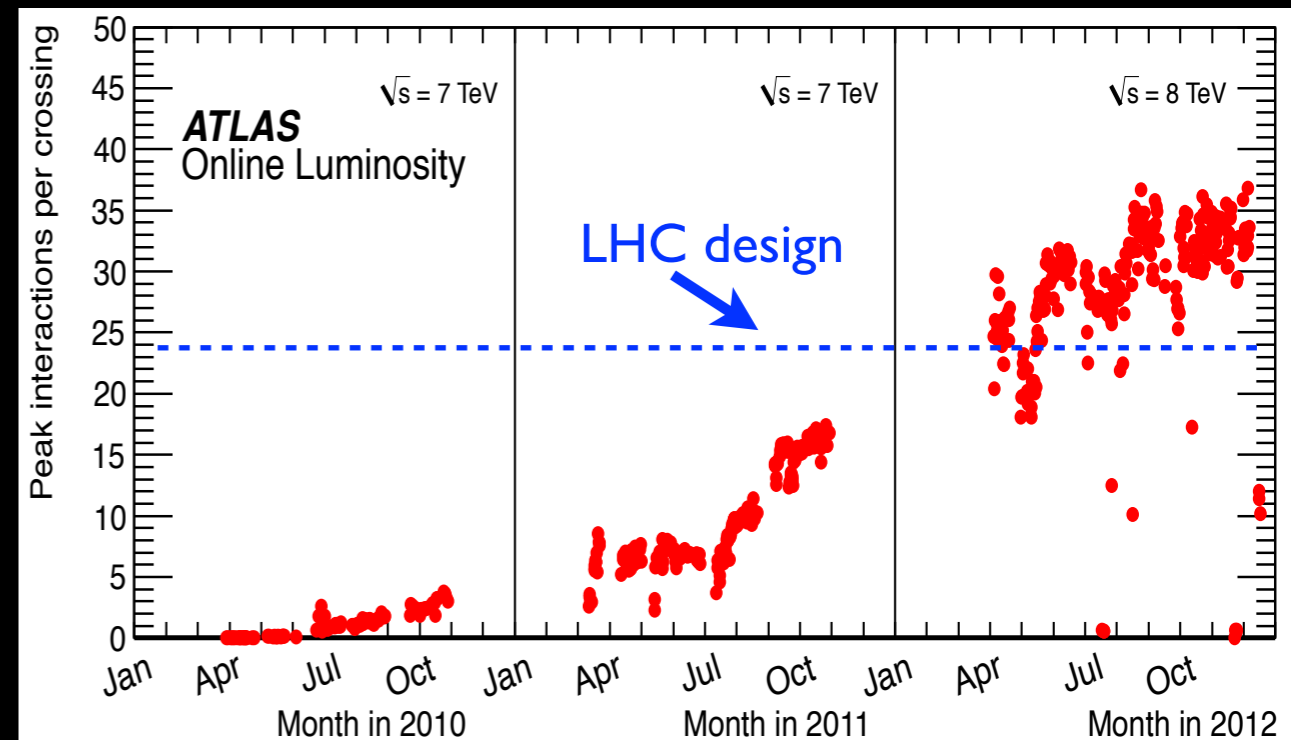
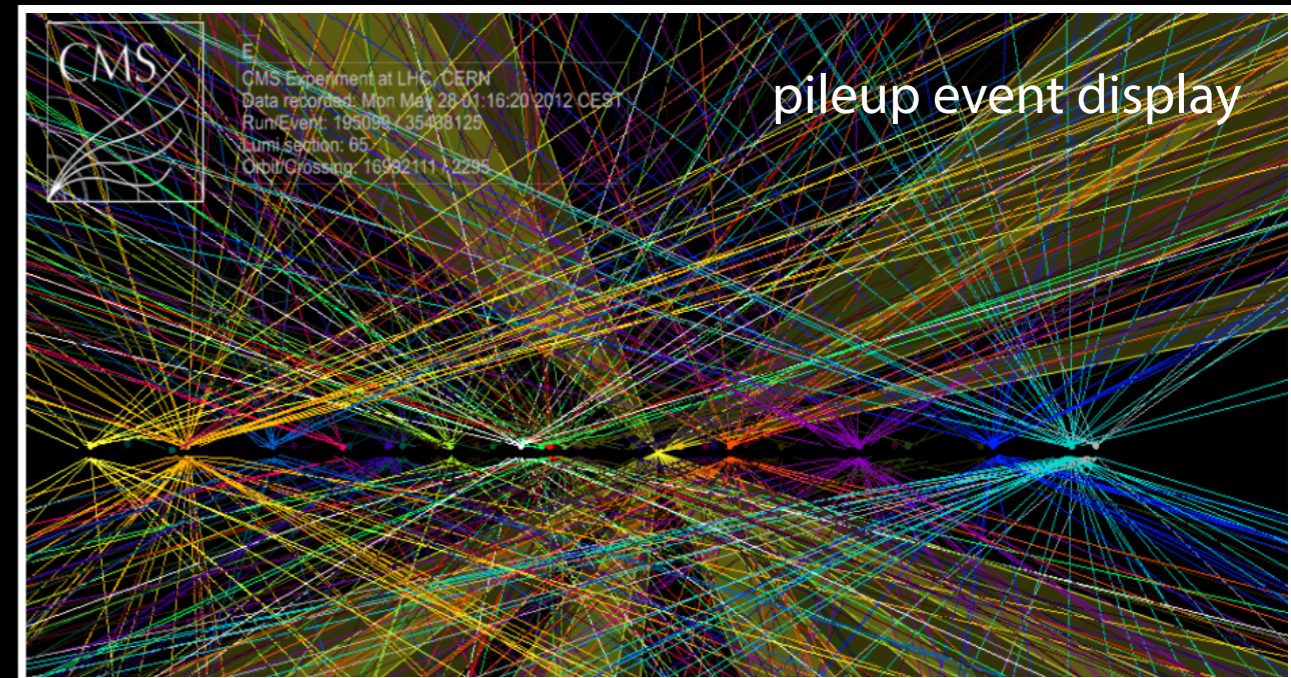
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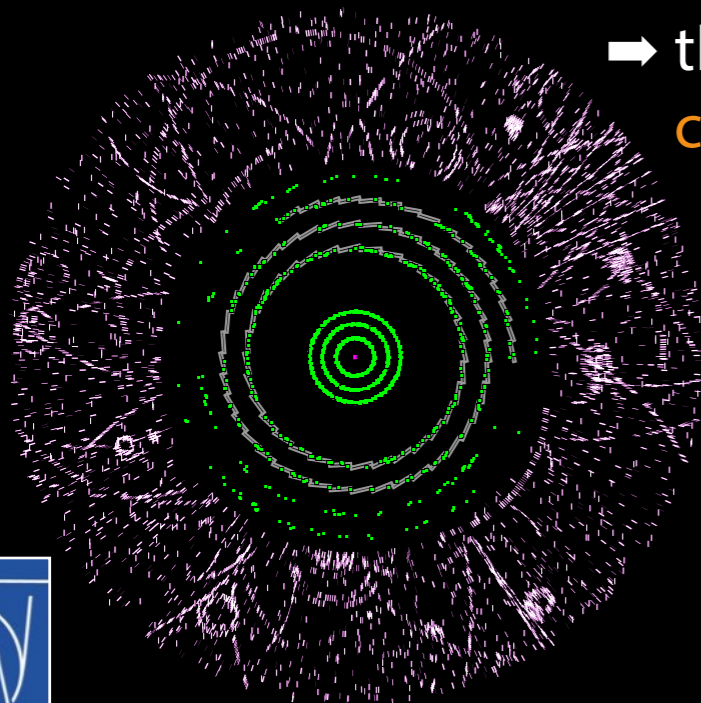
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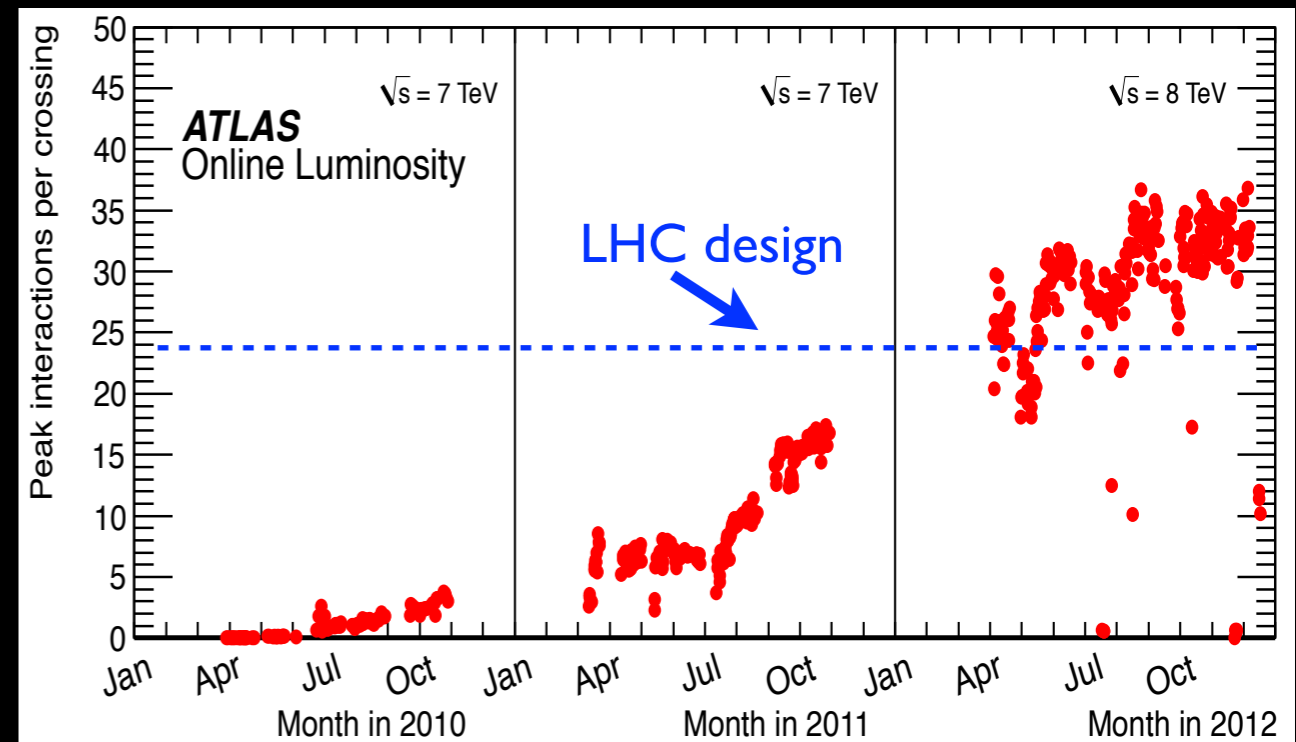
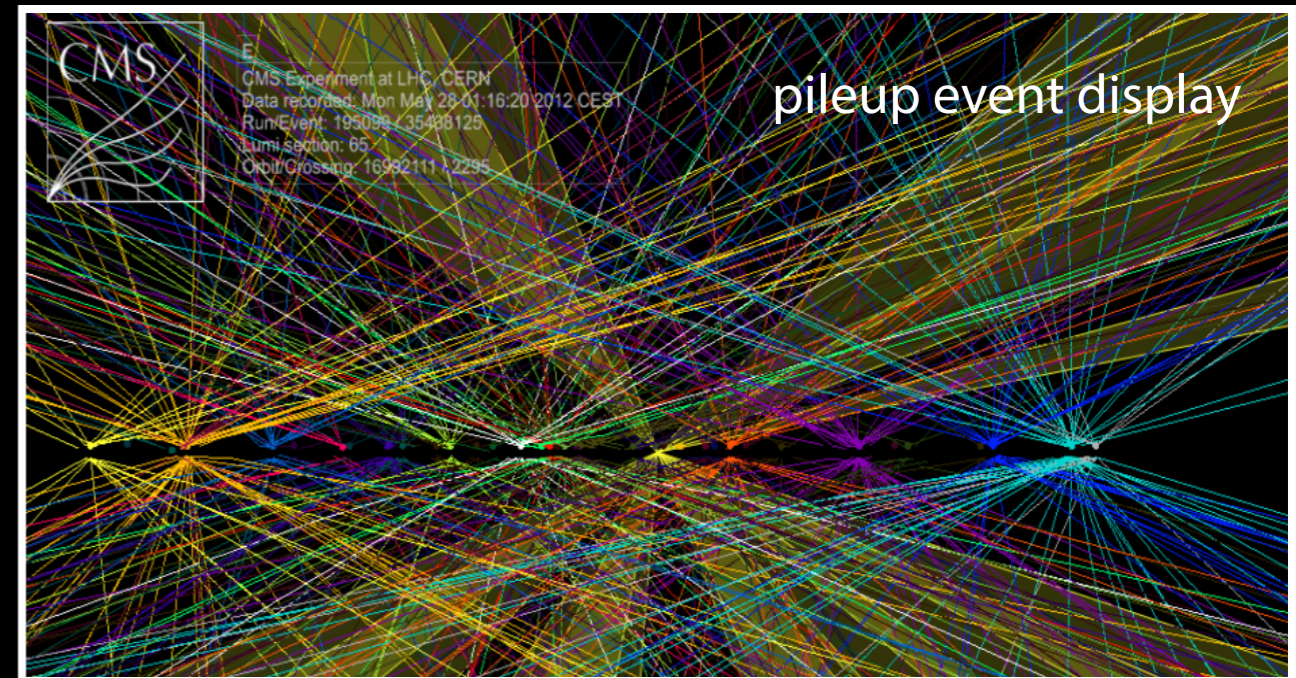
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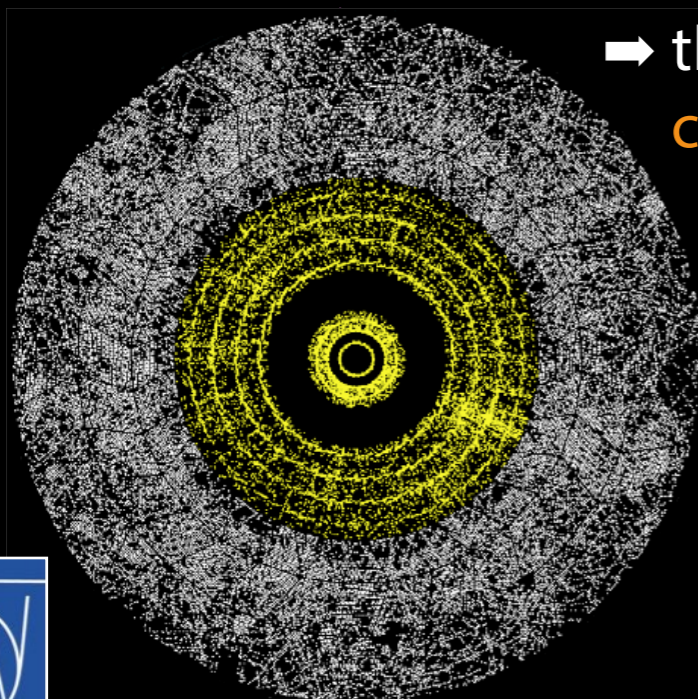
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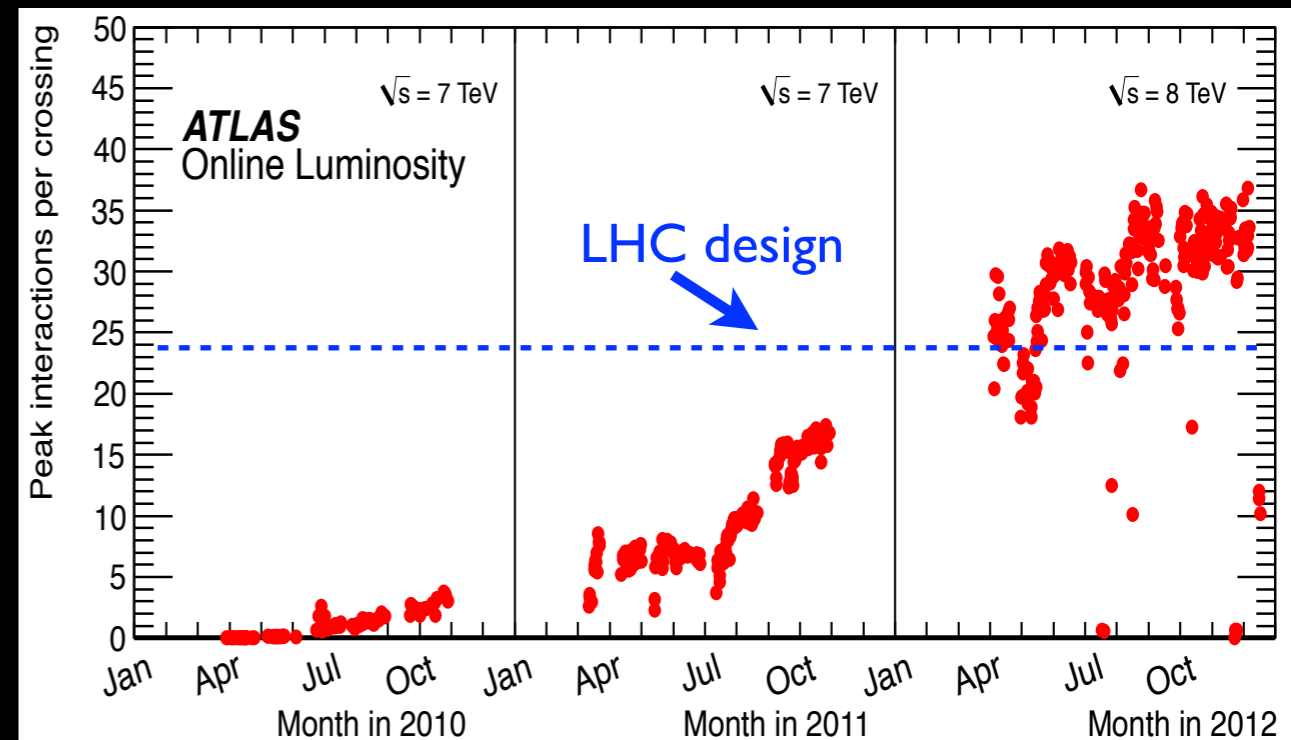
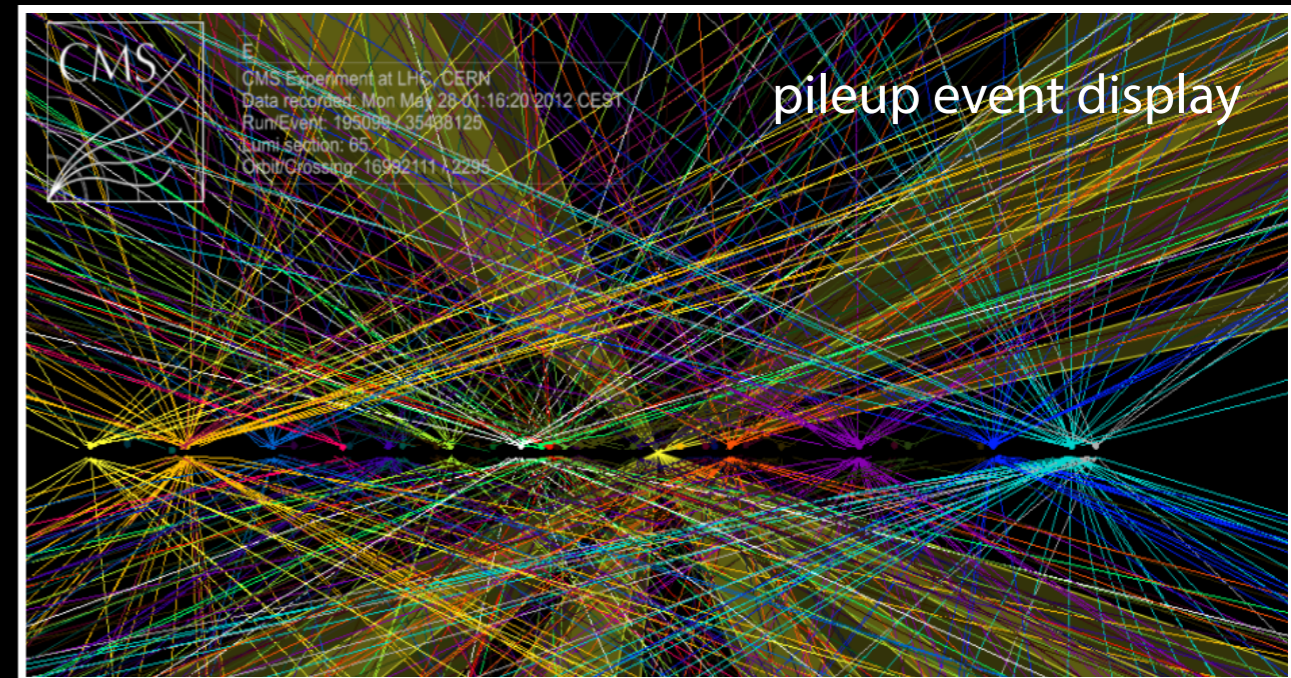
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 - now imagine **50 of them** overlapping
 - task of **tracking software** is to resolve the mess ...



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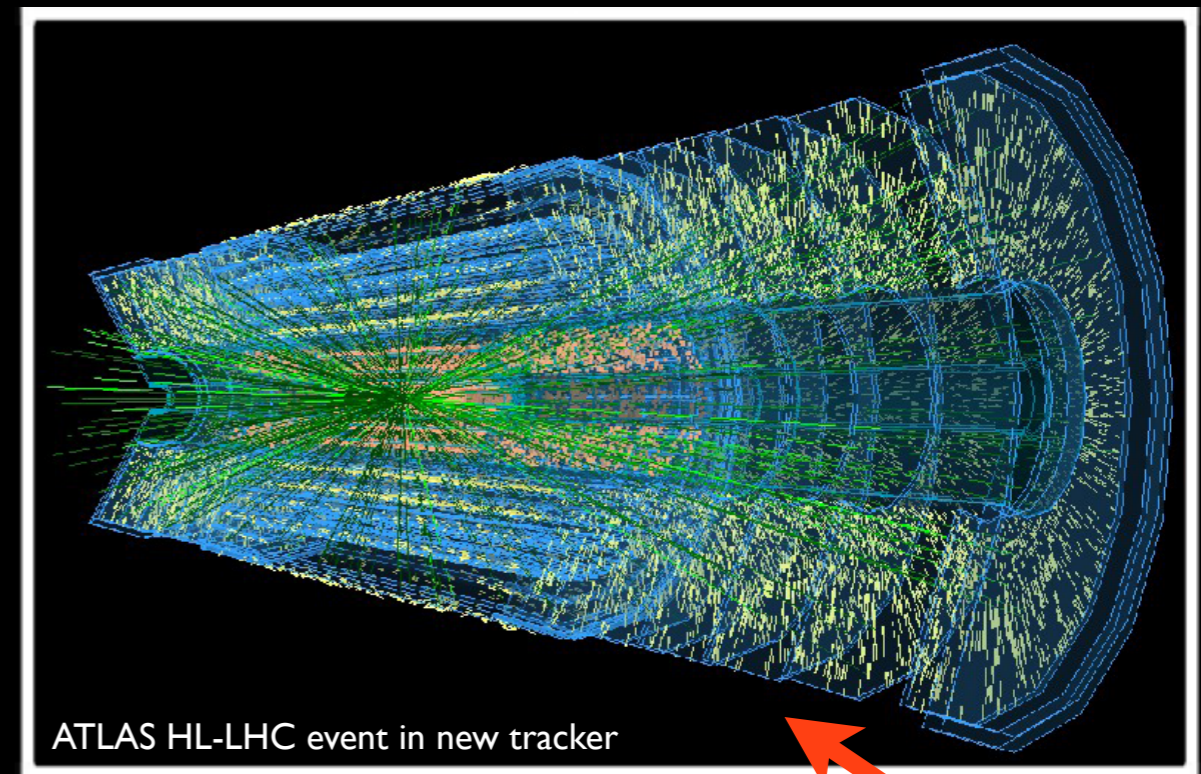
- ➔ combinatorial problem grows with pileup
- ➔ naturally **resource driver** (CPU/memory)

- the **million dollar** question:

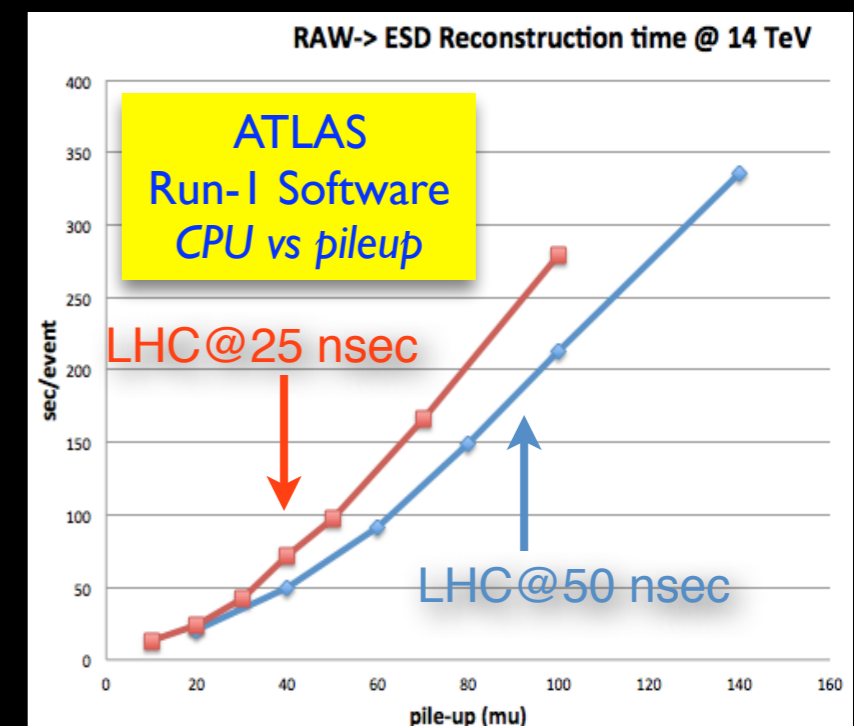
- ➔ how to **reconstruct LH-LHC events** within resources ? (**pileup ~ 140-200**)

- 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**:
threading, data locality...



event display
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Outline of Part 3

- 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

- the **ATLAS track reconstruction** (as an example)



Trajectories and Extrapolation



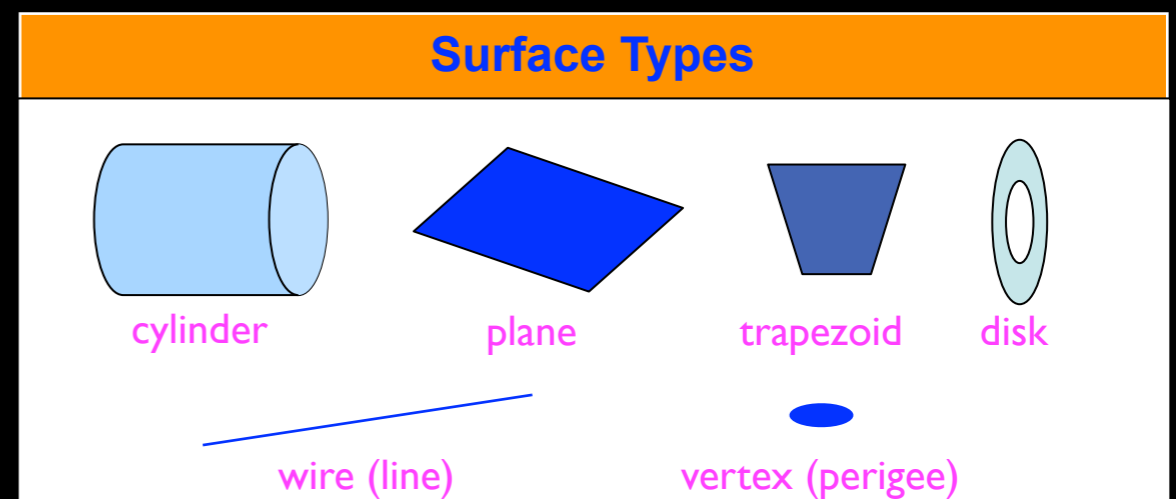
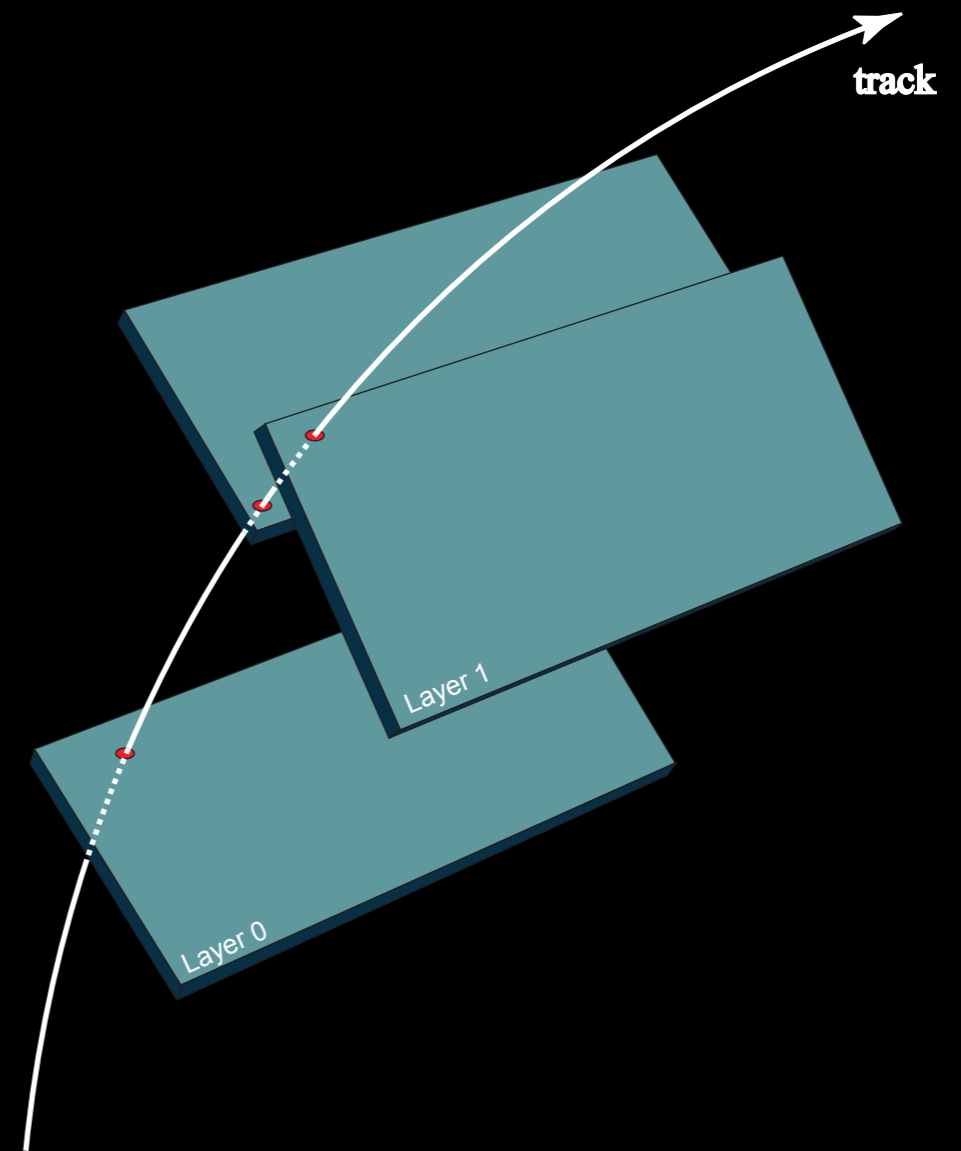
A Trajectory of a Charged Particle

- in a solenoid B-field a charged particle trajectory is describing a **helix**
 - a circle in the plane perpendicular to the field ($R\phi$)
 - a path (not a line) at constant polar angle (θ) in the Rz plane

- a trajectory in space is defined by **5 parameters**
 - the **local position** (l_1, l_2) on a plane, a cylinder, ..., on the surface or reference system
 - the **direction** in θ and ϕ plus the **curvature** Q/P_T

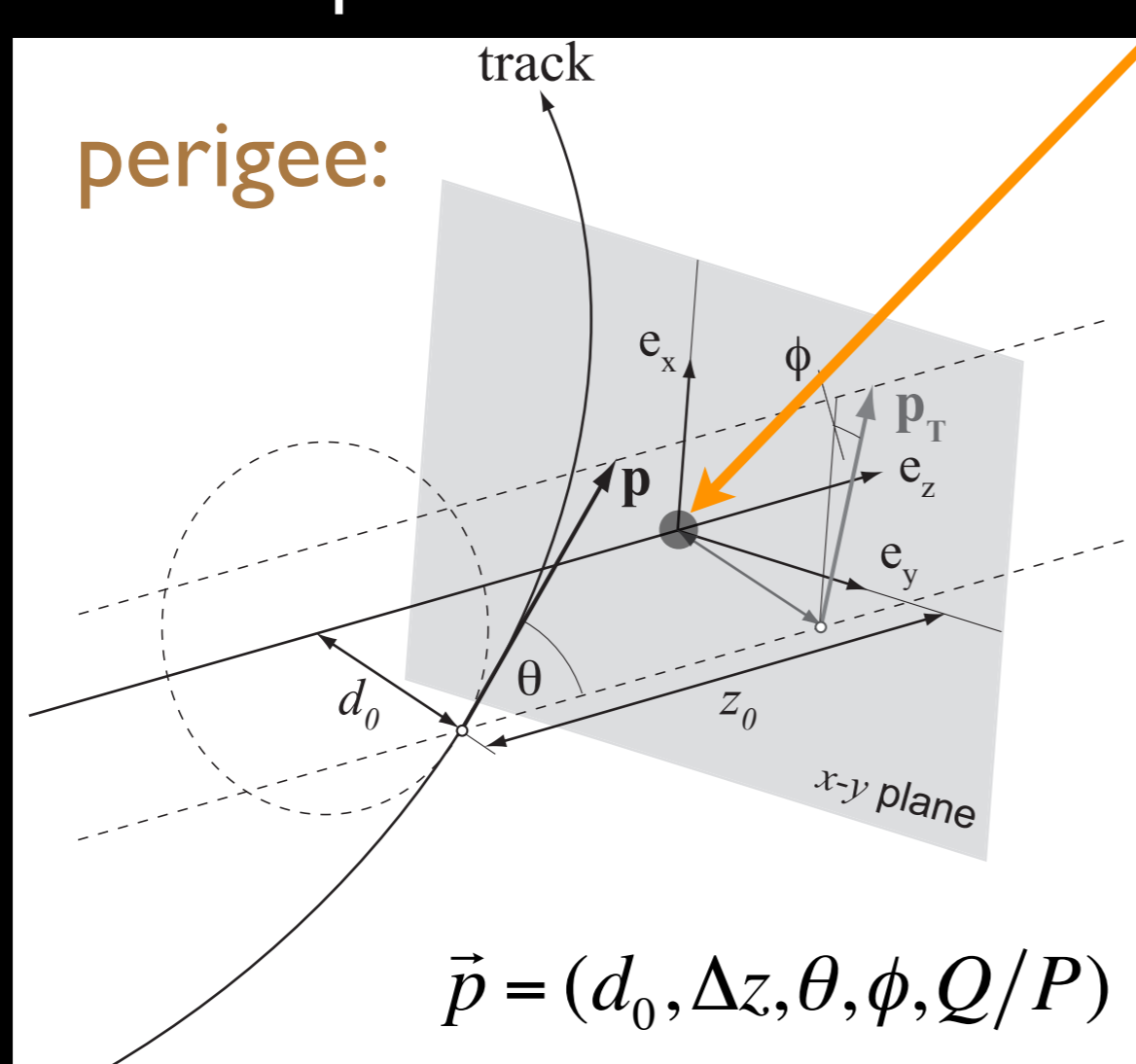
- ATLAS **choice**:

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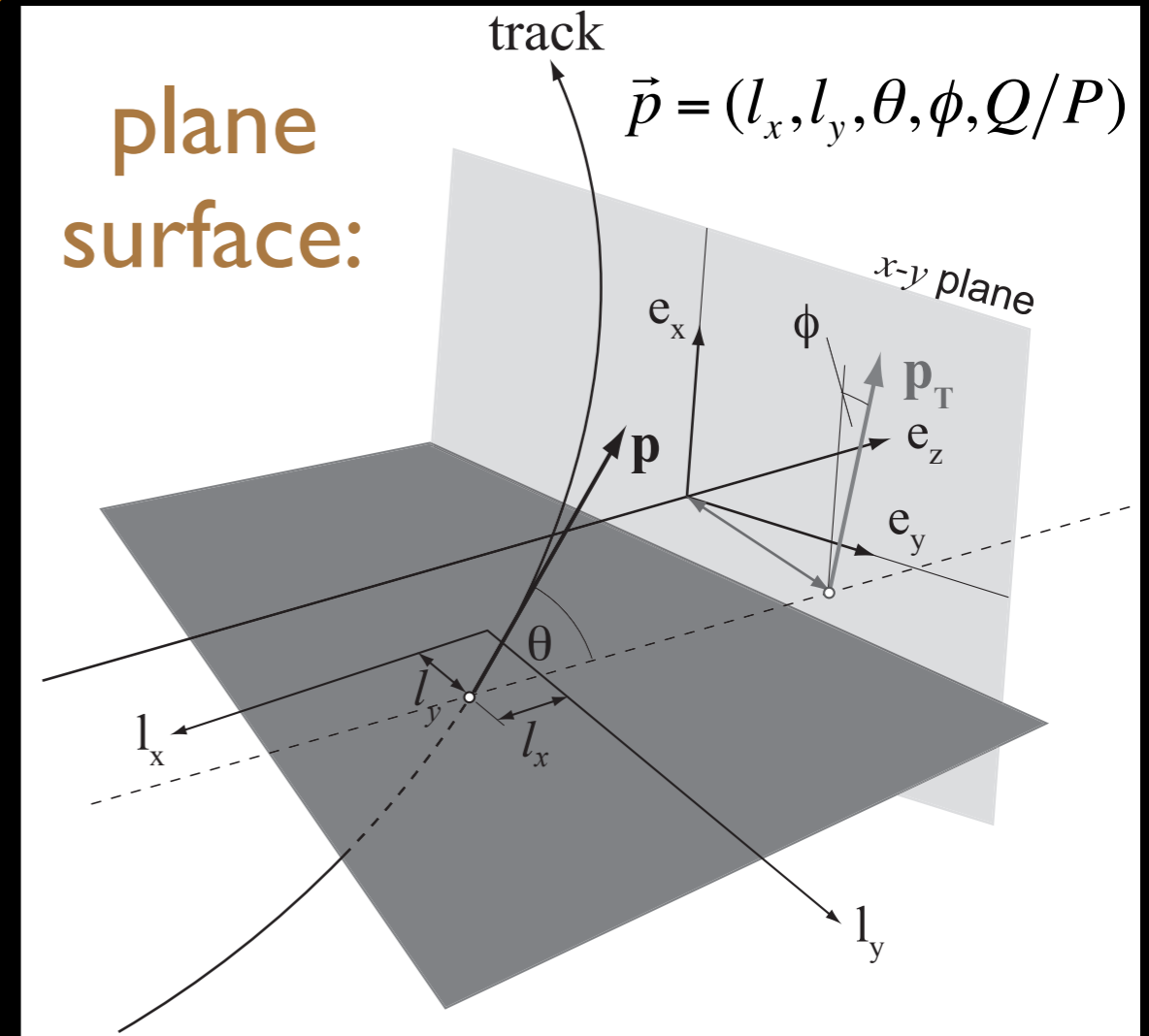
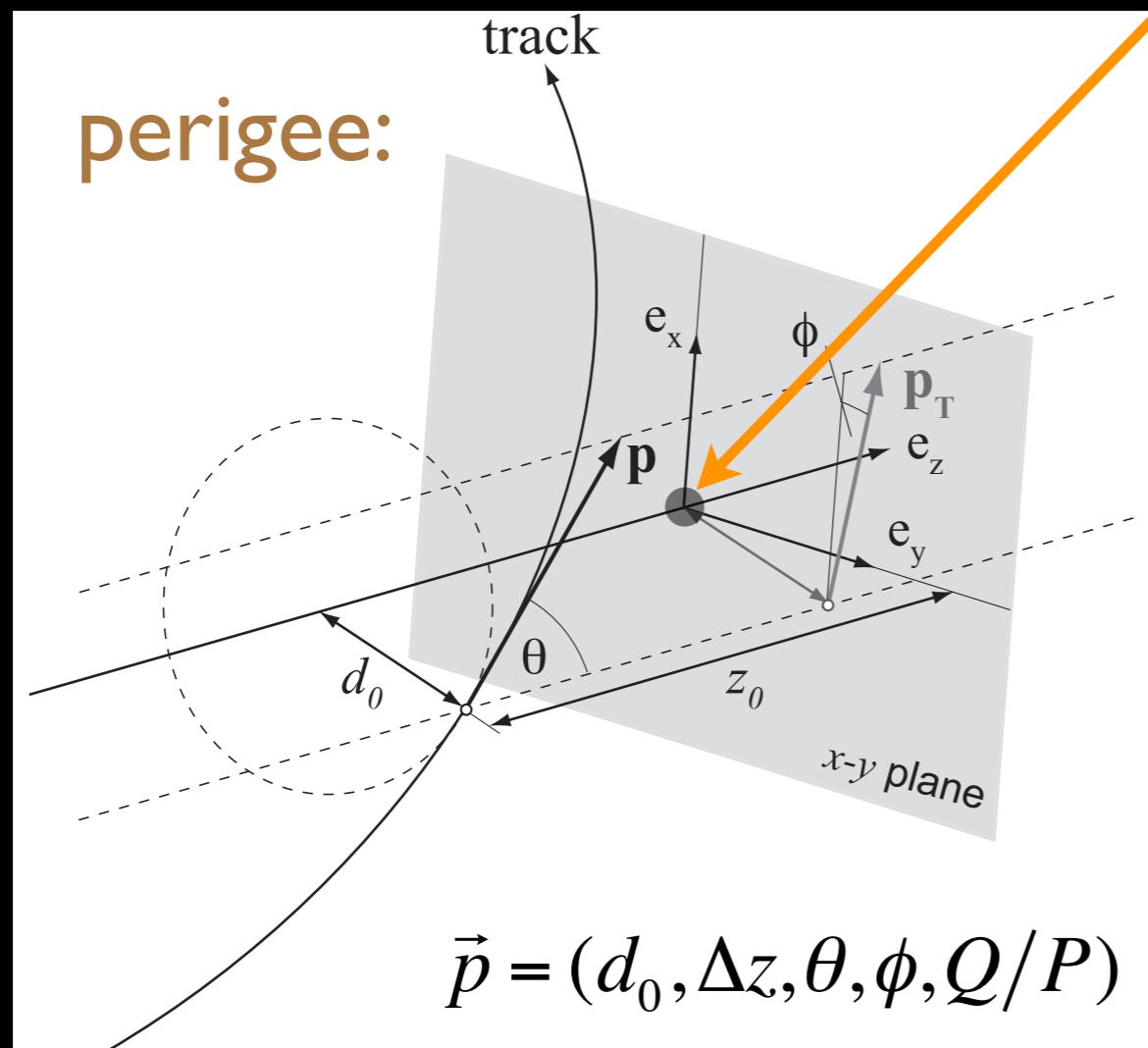


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track



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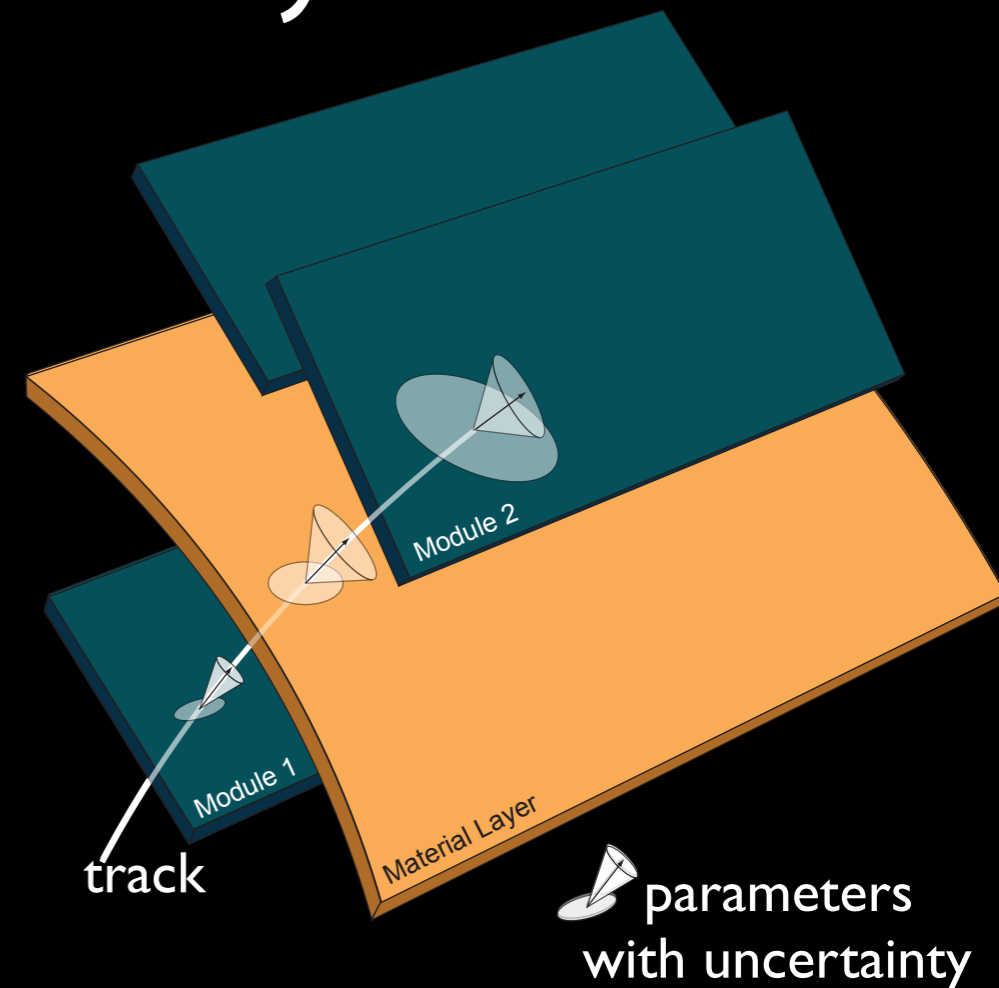
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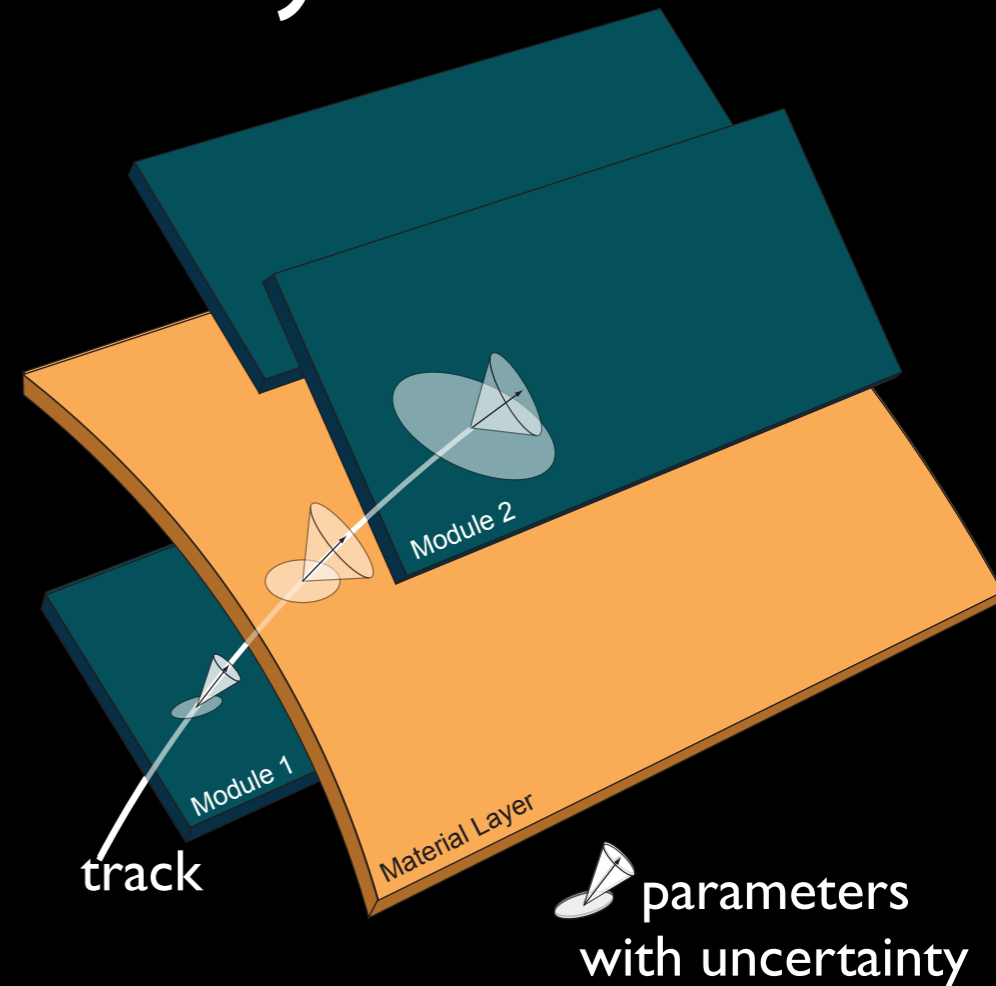
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- for a constant B-field (or no field)

- ➔ an analytical formula can be calculated for an intersection of a helix (or a straight line) on simple surfaces (plane, cylinder, vertex,...)



Track Propagation in realistic B-Field

- for **inhomogeneous B-field** there is no analytical solution
 - ➔ start from **equation of motion** for a particle with **charge q** in magnetic field **B** :

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}.$$

- ➔ can be written as **set of differential equations** for motion along **z** with **$x(z)$** and **$y(z)$** :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2x}{dz^2} &= \frac{q}{p} R \left[\frac{dx}{dz} \frac{dy}{dz} B_x - \left(1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dz} \right)^2 \right) B_y + \frac{dy}{dz} B_z \right] \\ \frac{d^2y}{dz^2} &= \frac{q}{p} R \left[\left(1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dz} \right)^2 \right) B_x - \frac{dx}{dz} \frac{dy}{dz} B_y - \frac{dx}{dz} B_z \right] \end{aligned}$$

with:

$$R = \frac{ds}{dz} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dz} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dz} \right)^2}$$

- no analytical solution for inhomogeneous B-field, requires **numerical integration** along the path of the trajectory
- ➔ numerical integration done using Runge-Kutta technique
 - in ATLAS a 4th order **adaptive Runge-Kutta-Nystrom** approach is used, propagates covariance matrix in parallel (*Bugge, Myrheim, 1981, NIM 179, p.365*)

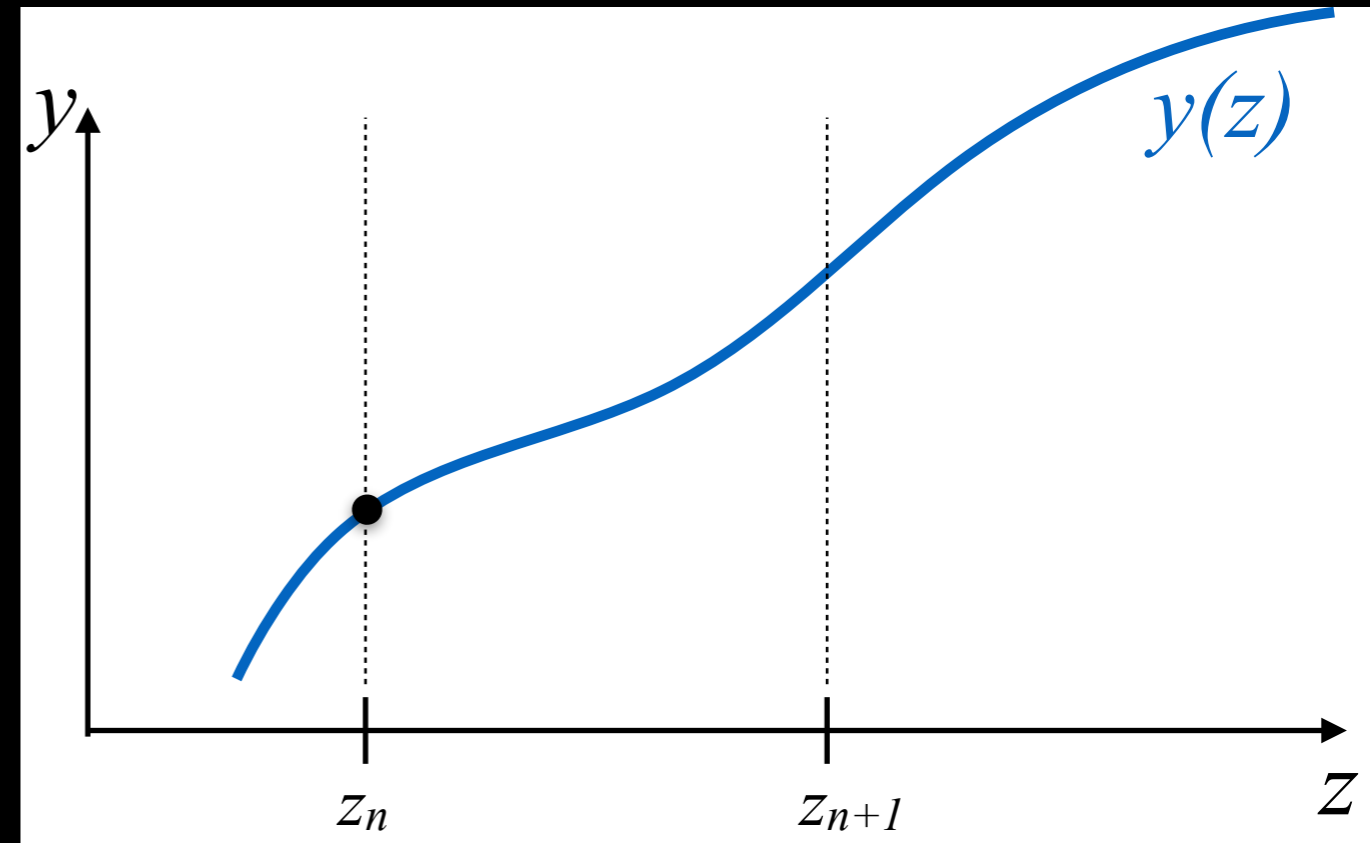


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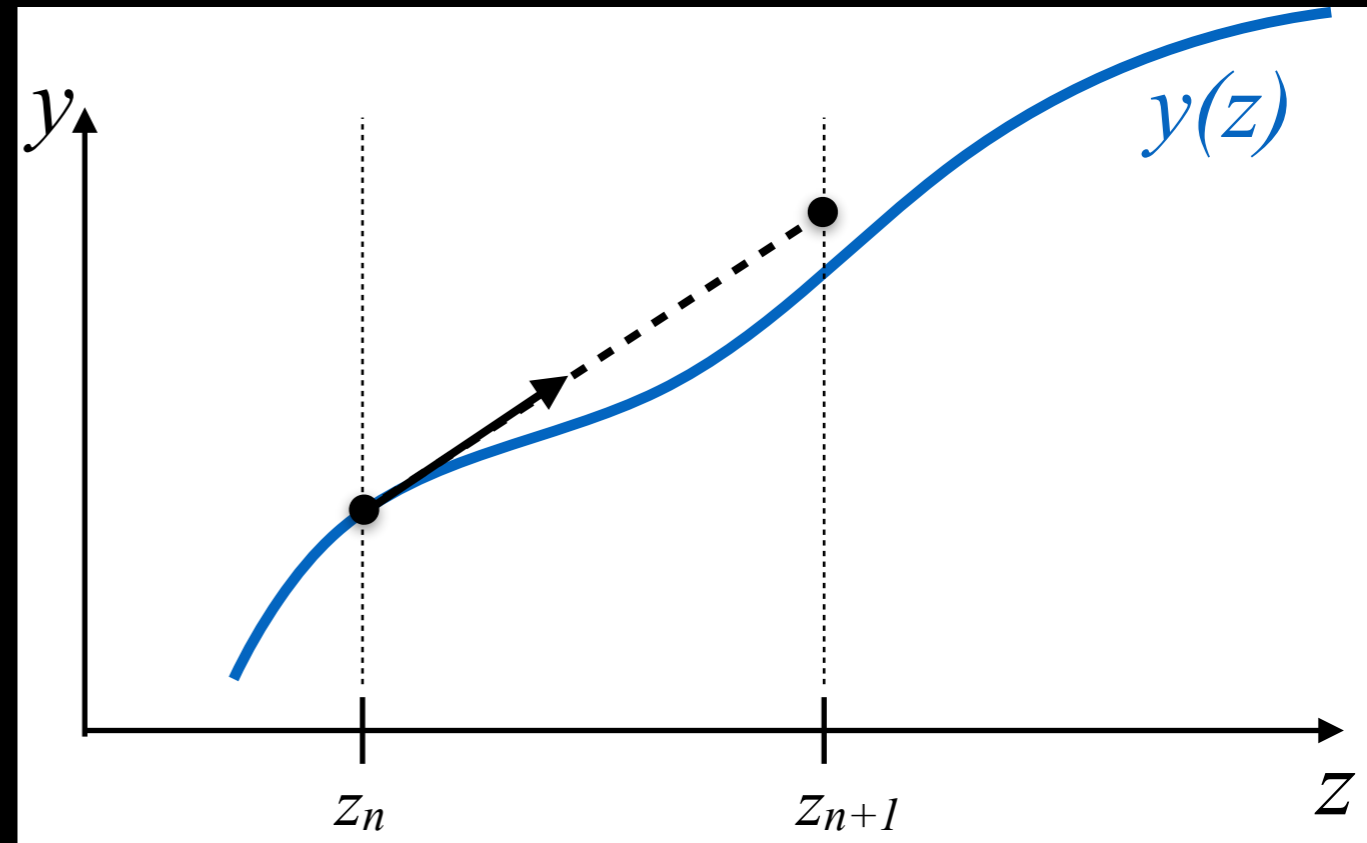
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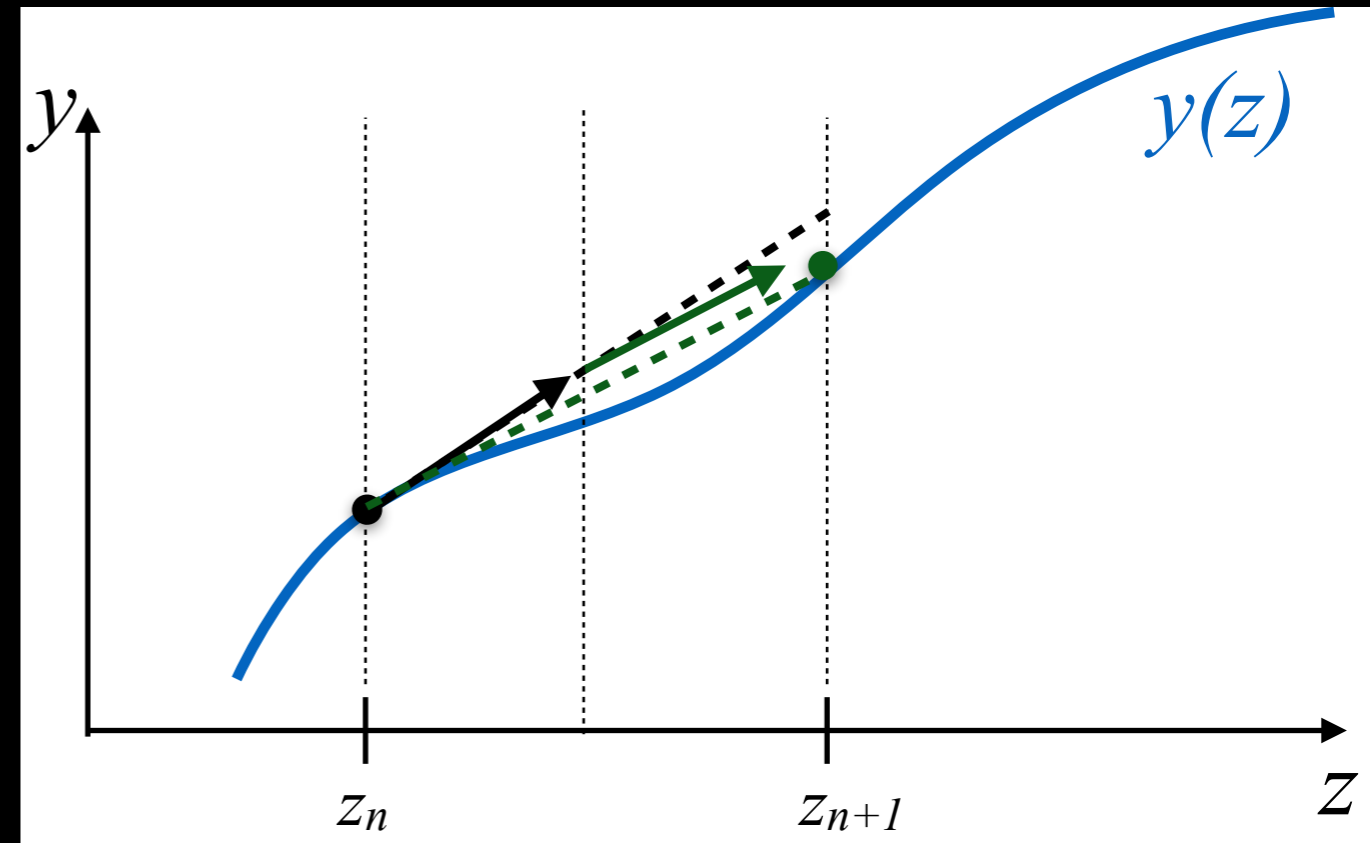
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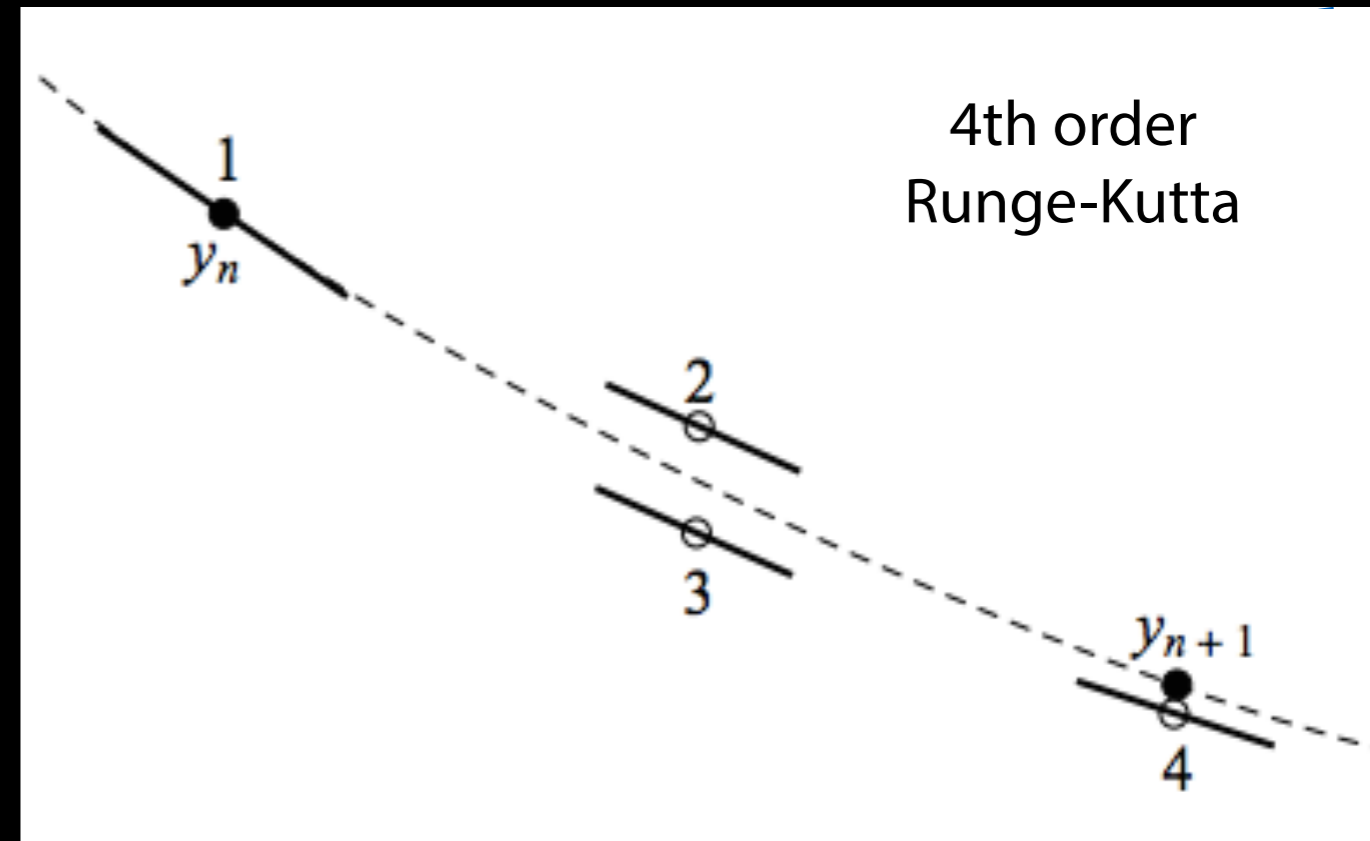
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→ 4th order Runge-Kutta integration:

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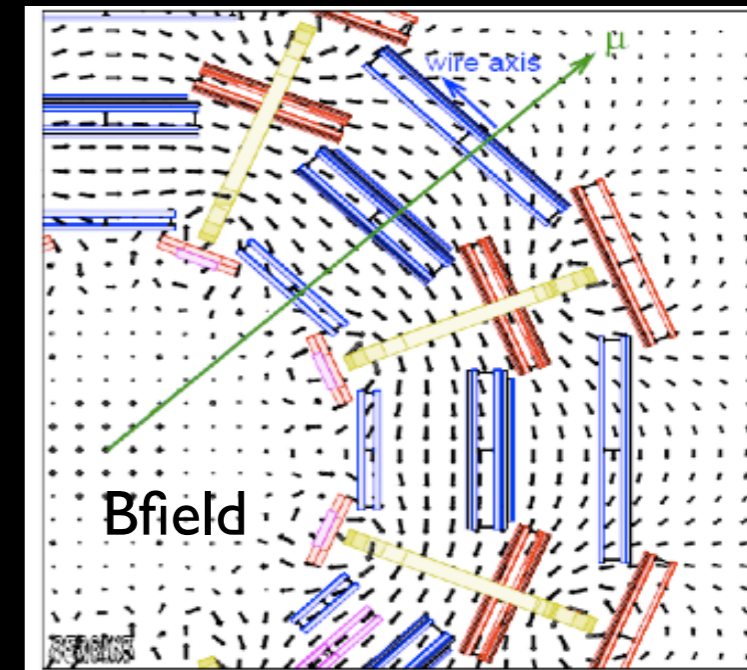
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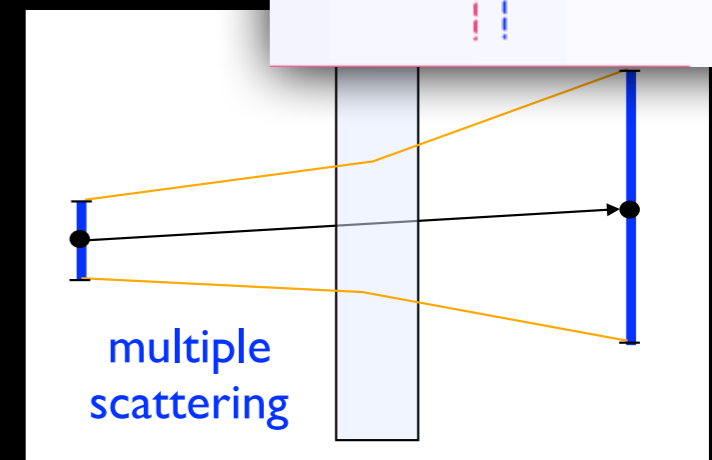
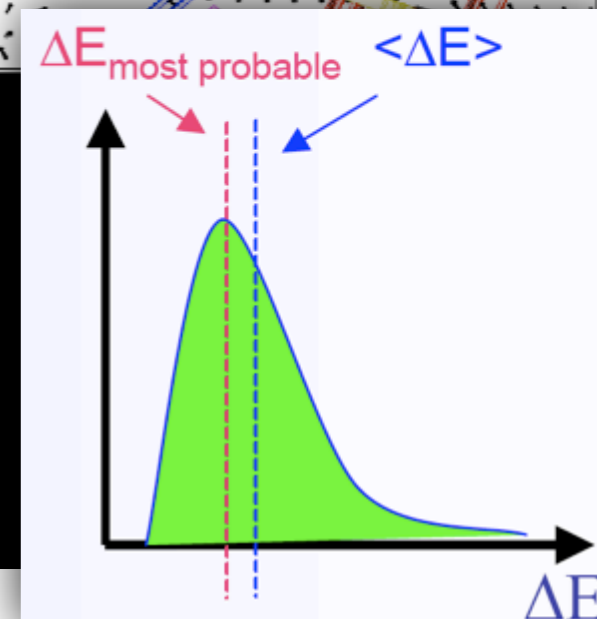
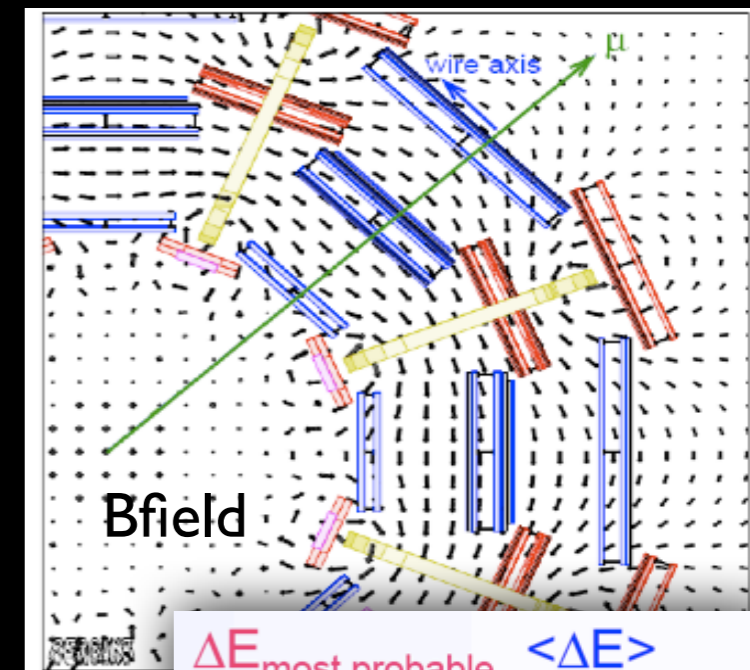
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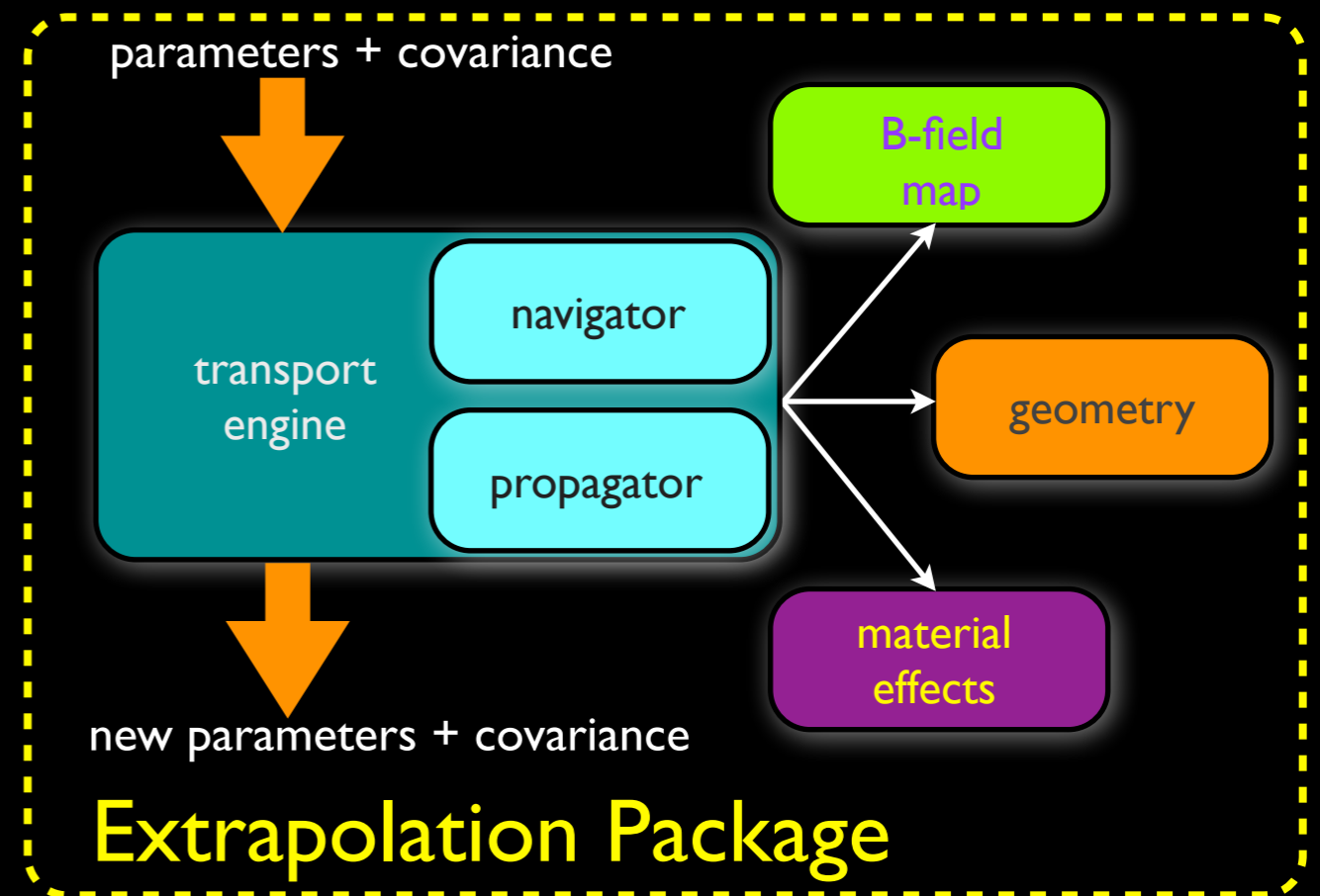
- ➔ energy loss
 - use most **probably energy loss** for x/X_0
 - correct momentum (curvature) and its covariance
- ➔ multiple scattering
 - increases **uncertainty on direction** of track
 - for given x/X_0 traversed add term to covariances of θ and ϕ on a material "layer"



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

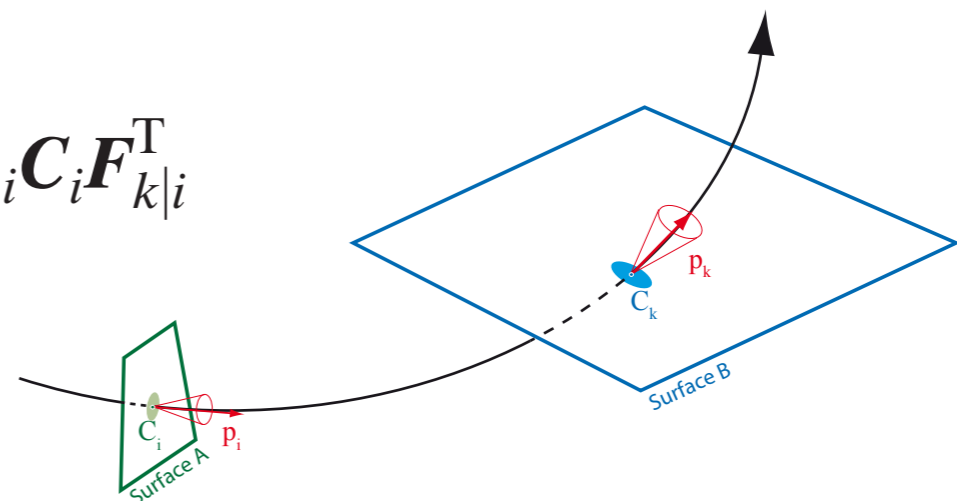


track following in mathematical terms:

$$\mathbf{q}_k = \mathbf{f}_{k|i}(\mathbf{q}_i) \quad \text{convariance: } \mathbf{C}_k = \mathbf{F}_{k|i} \mathbf{C}_i \mathbf{F}_{k|i}^T$$

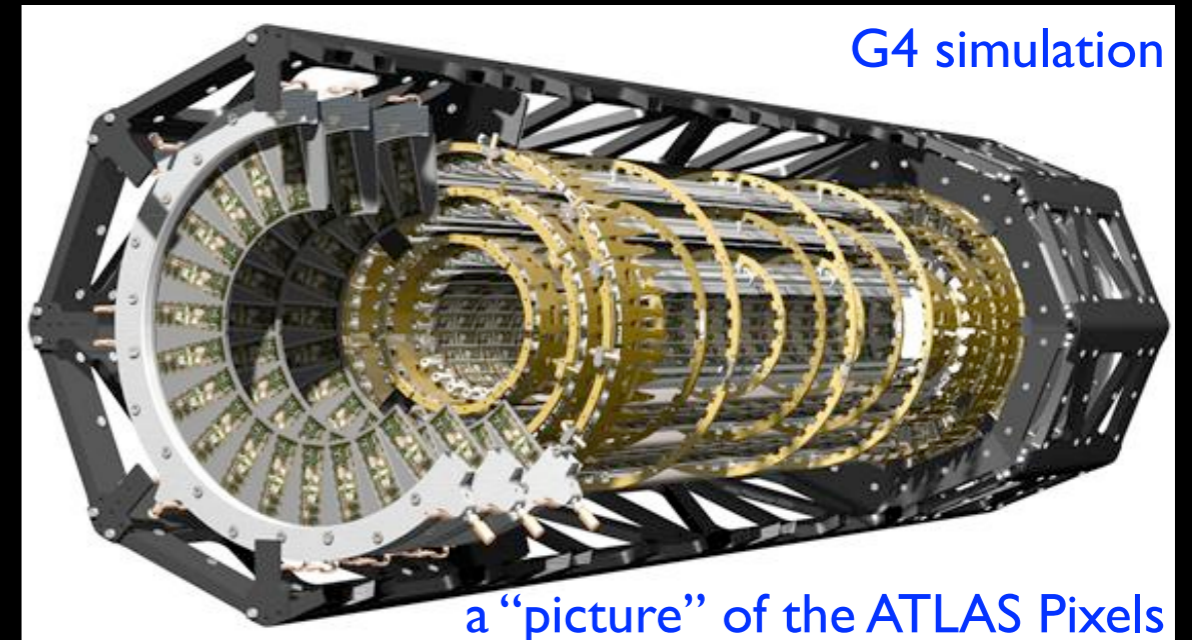
with: $\mathbf{f}_{k|i} \sim$ track model

$$\mathbf{F}_{k|i} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{q}_k}{\partial \mathbf{q}_i} \sim \text{Jacobi matrix}$$



Detector **Geometry**

- interactions in detector
material limiting tracking
performance
 - ➔ LHC detectors are **complex**
 - require a 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

- huge effort in experiments
 - ➔ important to reach good description in simulation and reconstruction
 - ➔ each individual detector part was put on balance and compare with model
 - CMS and ATLAS measured weight of their tracker and all of its components
 - ➔ correct the geometry implementation in simulation and reconstruction



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

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

Preliminary

Date	ATLAS $\eta \approx 0$	$\eta \approx 1.7$	CMS $\eta \approx 0$	$\eta \approx 1.7$
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



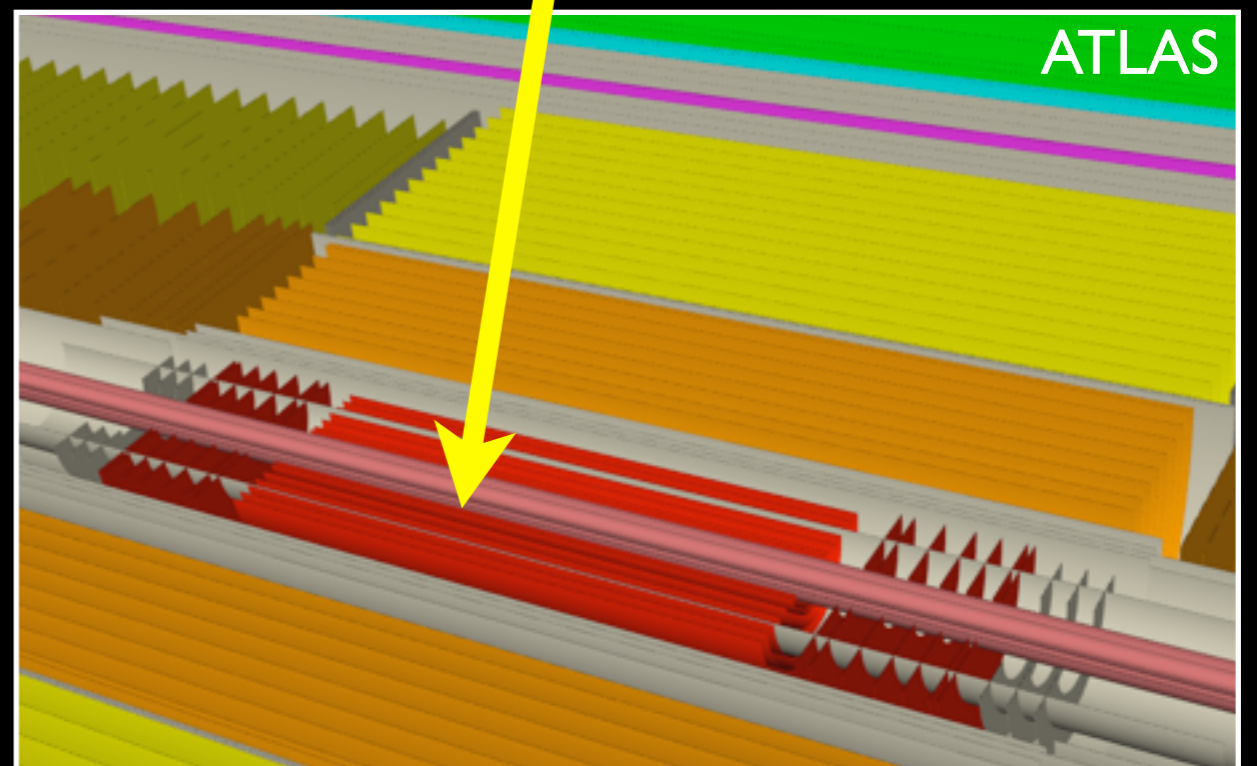
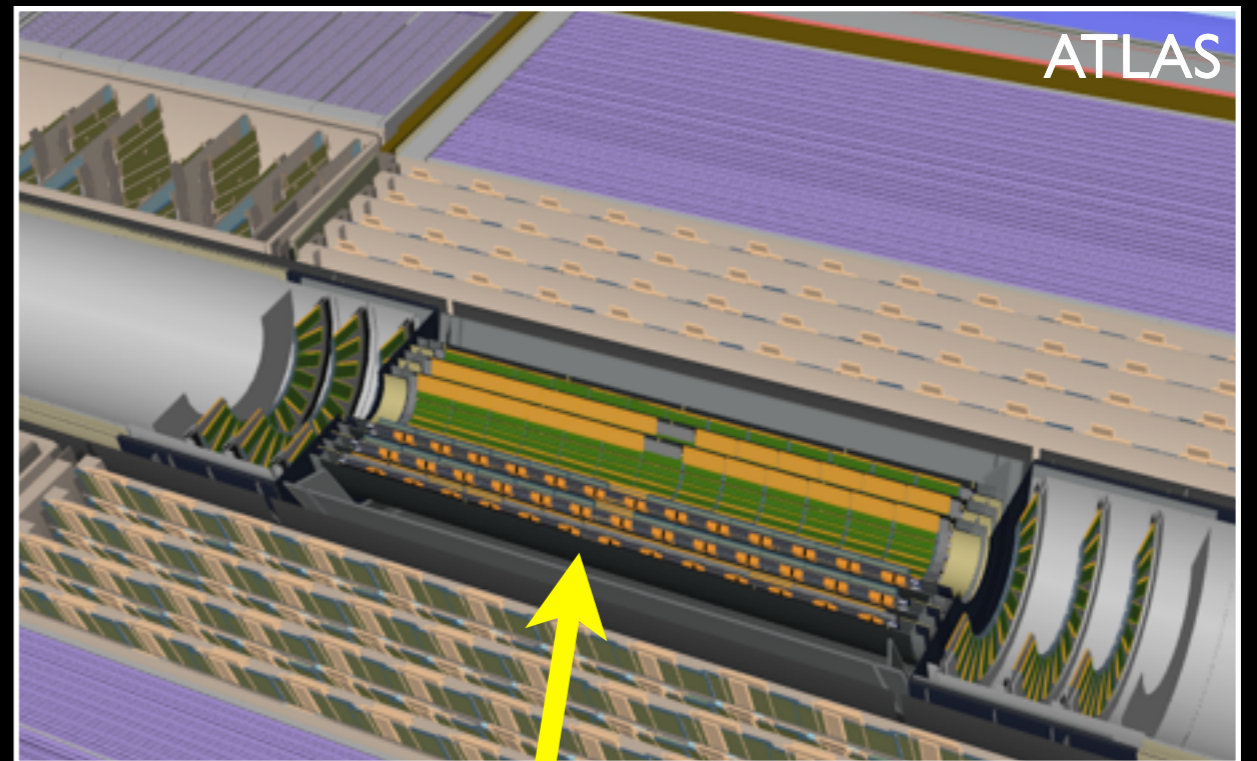
Full and Fast (Tracking) Geometries

- 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 *1
ATLAS	4.8 M	10.2K *2
CMS	2.7 M	3.8K *2
LHCb	18.5 M	30

*1 ALICE uses full geometry (TGeo)

*2 plus a surface per Si sensor



Embedded Navigation Schemes

- **embedded navigation** scheme in tracking geometries

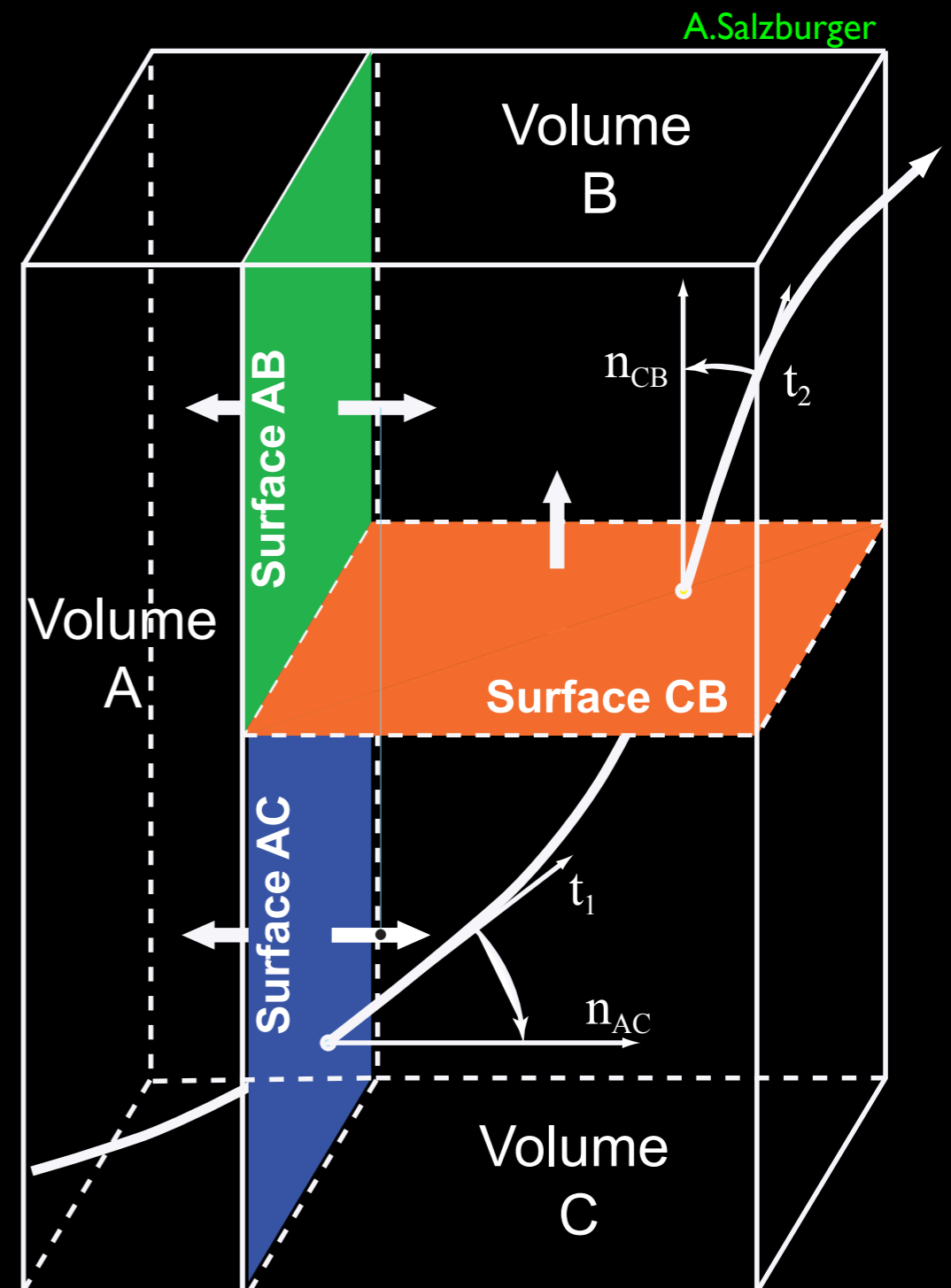
- ➔ G4 navigation uses voxelisation as generic navigation mechanism
- ➔ **embedded navigation** for simplified models
 - used in pattern recognition, extrapolation, track fitting and fast simulation

- **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)



Detour: **Simulation** (Geant4)

● Geant4 is based upon

➔ **stack** to keep track of all particles produced and stack manager

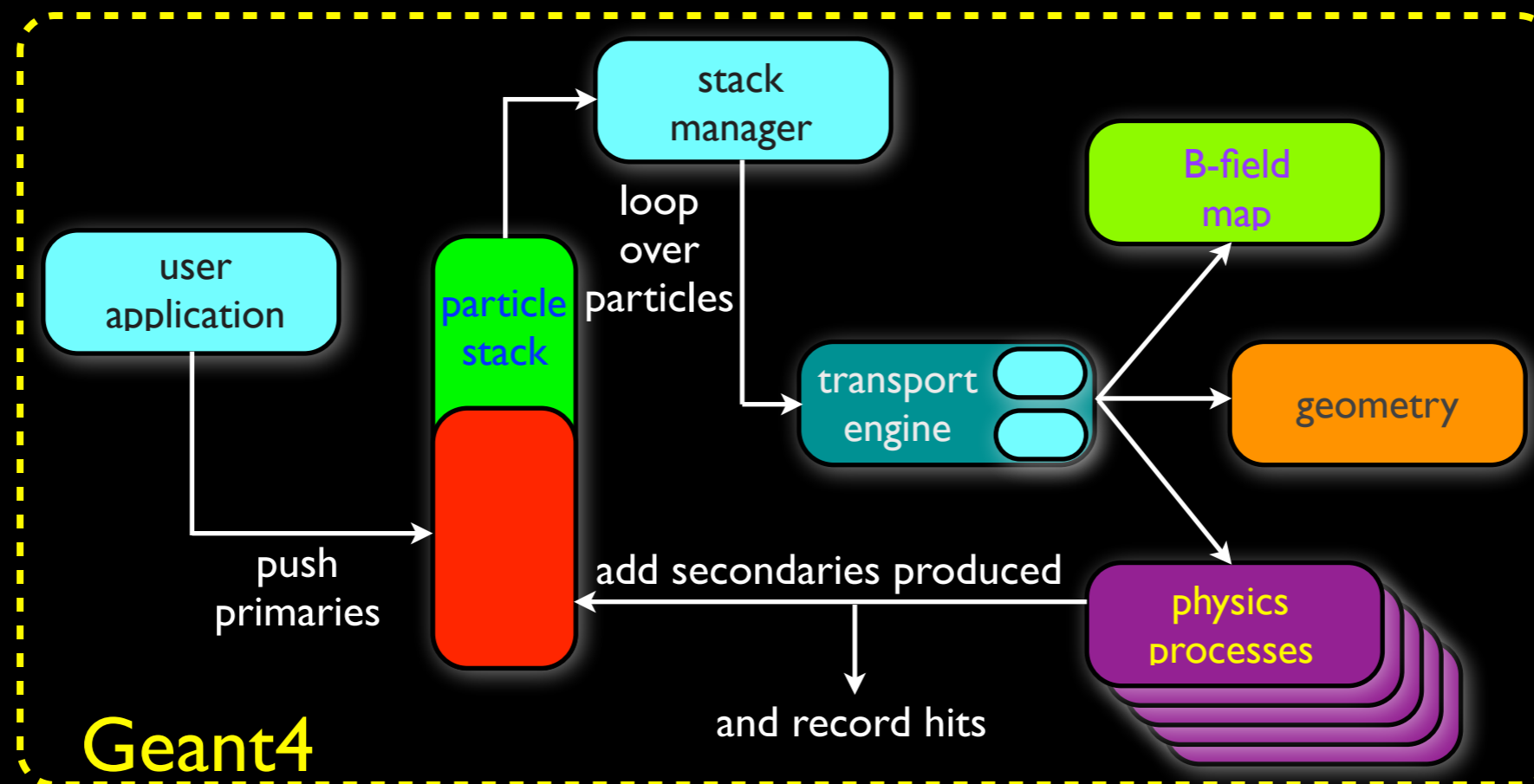
➔ **extrapolation system** to propagate each particle:

- transport engine with navigation
- geometry model
- B-field

} same concept as for track reconstruction

➔ 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

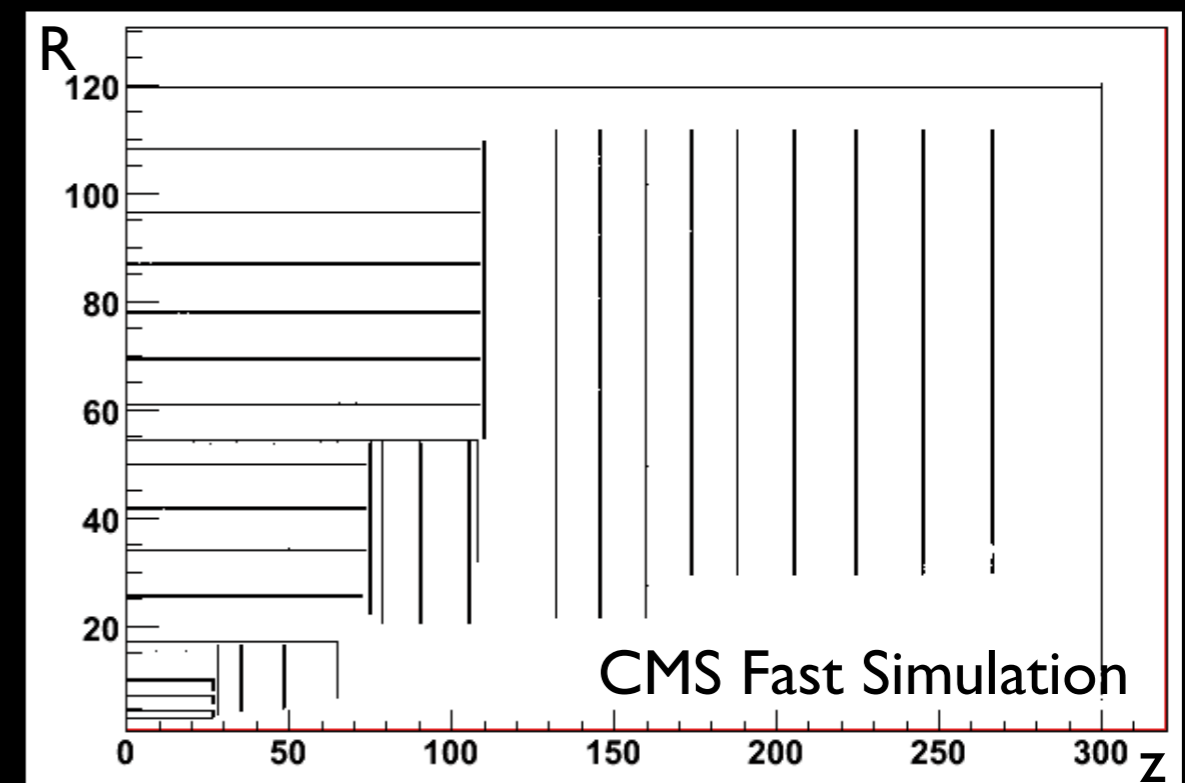
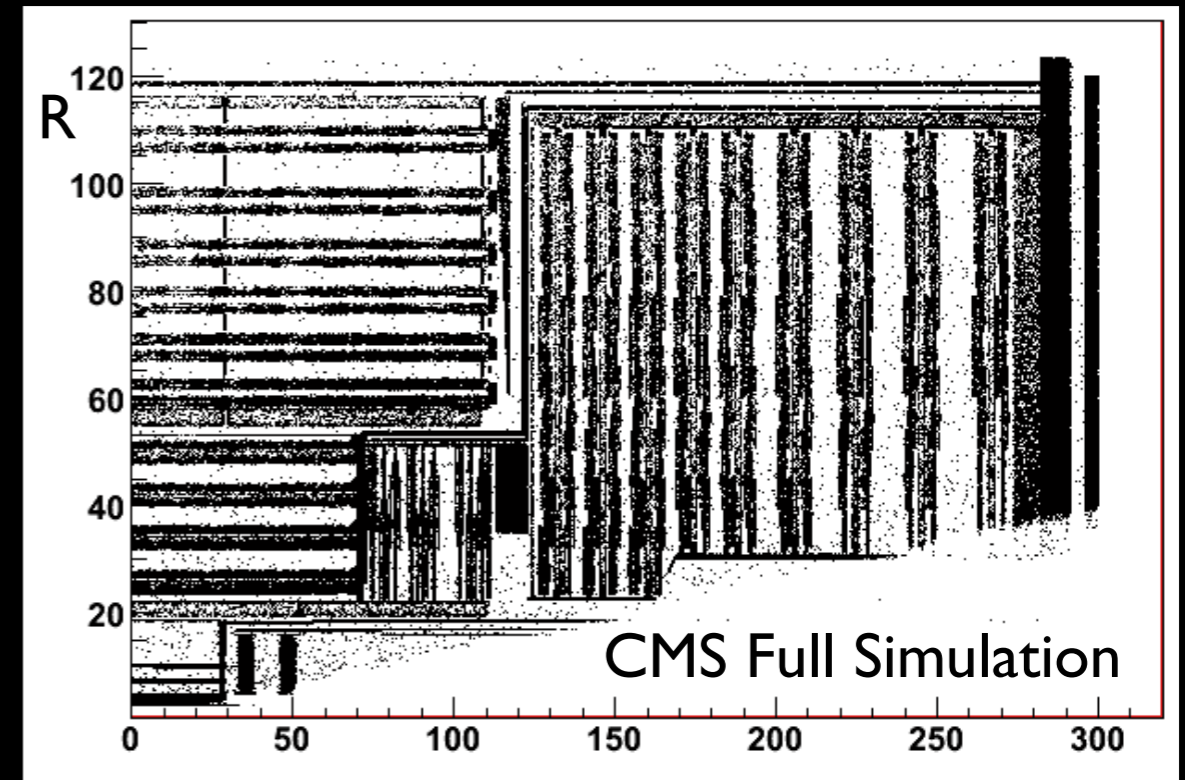
	G4	fast sim.
CMS	360	0.8
ATLAS	1990	7.4

ttbar events, in kSI2K sec

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

- **fast simulation** engines

- ➔ fast calo. simulation (parameterisation, showers libraries, ...)
- ➔ simplified **tracking geometries**
- ➔ simplify physics processes w.r.t. G4
- ➔ output in same data model as full sim.
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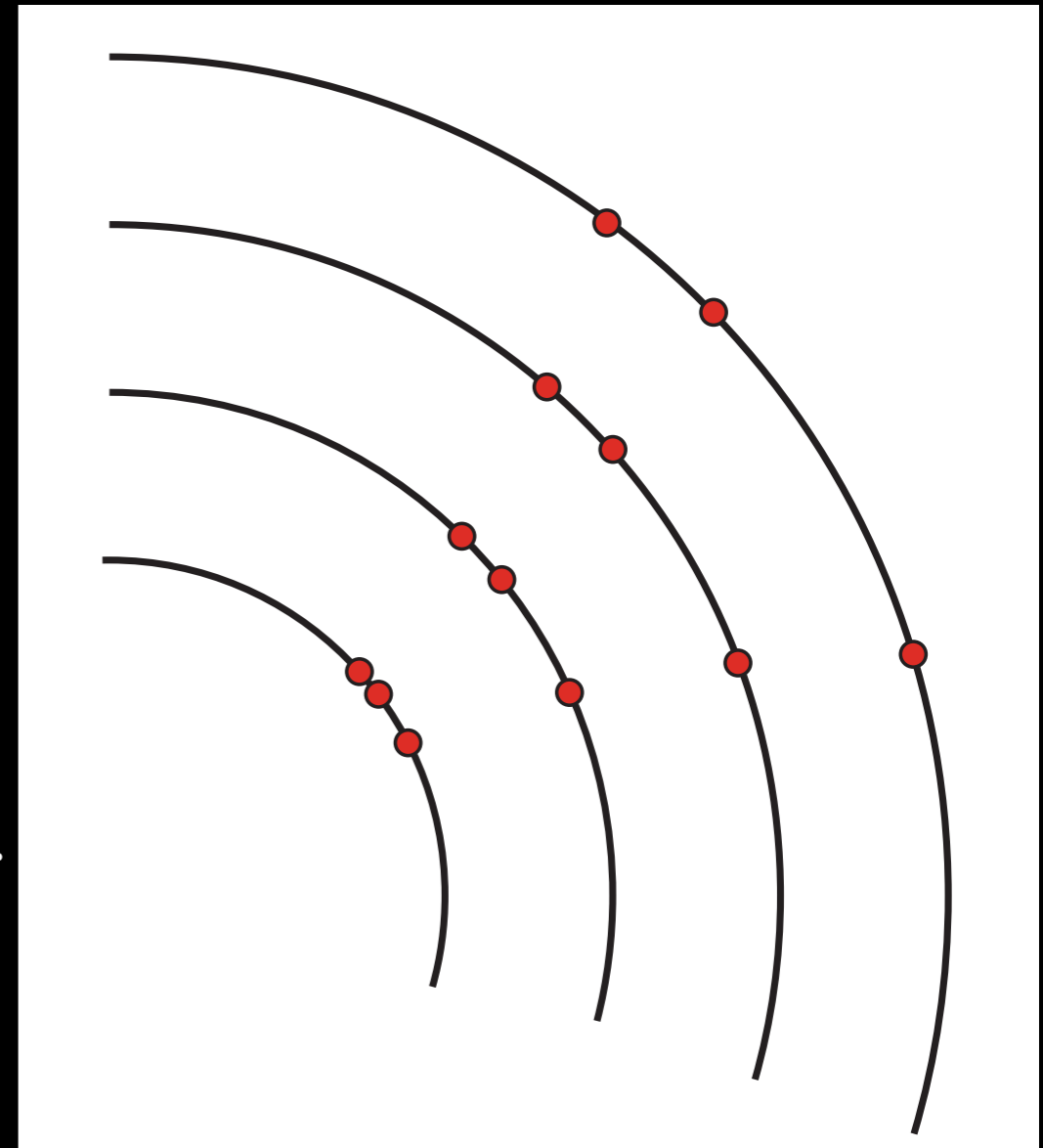
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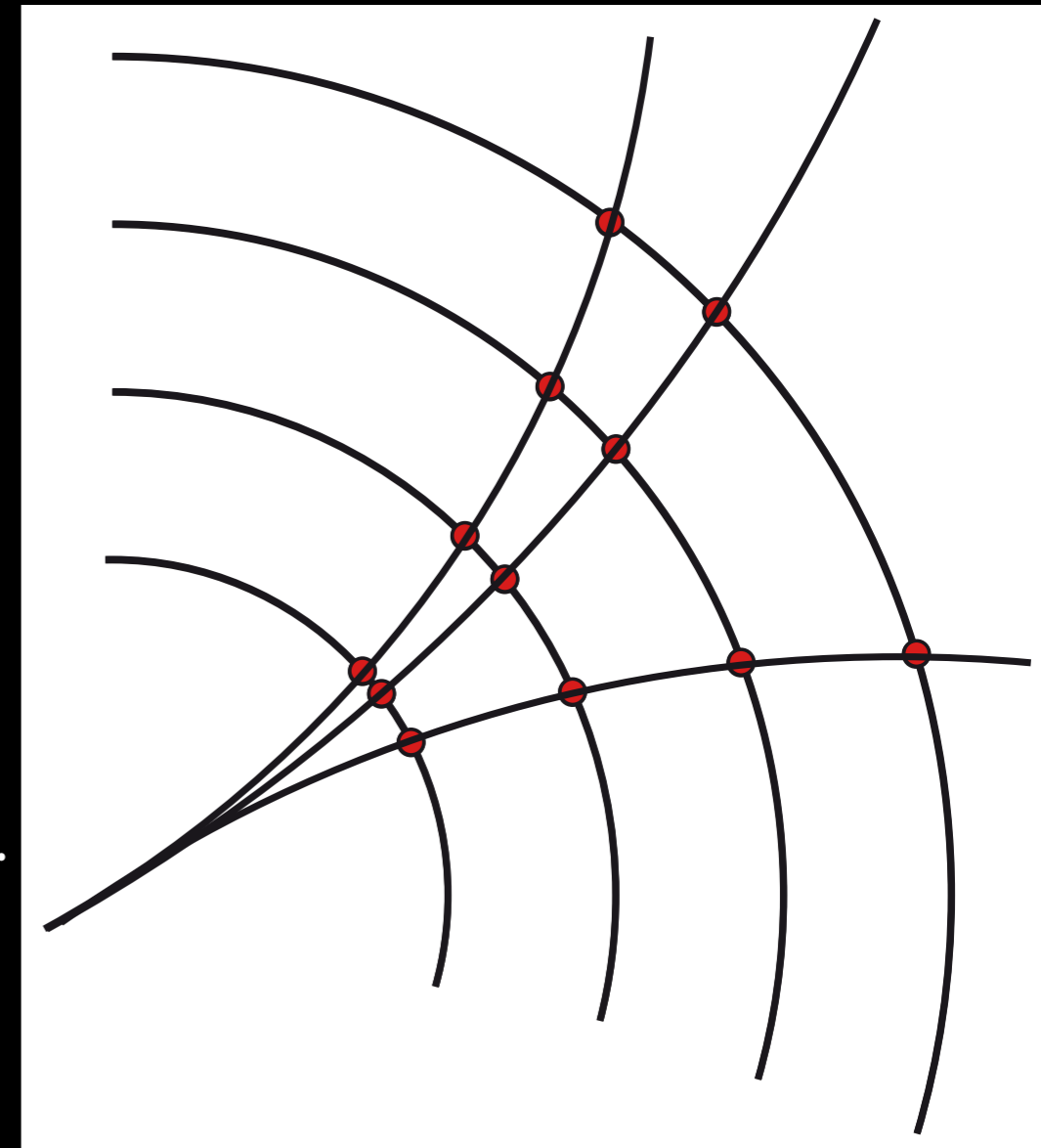
- **task of a track fit**

→ estimate the track parameters from a set of measurements

- **examples for fitting techniques**

→ **Least Square** track fit or **Kalman Filter** track fit

→ more specialised versions: **Gaussian Sum Filter** or **Deterministic Annealing Filters**



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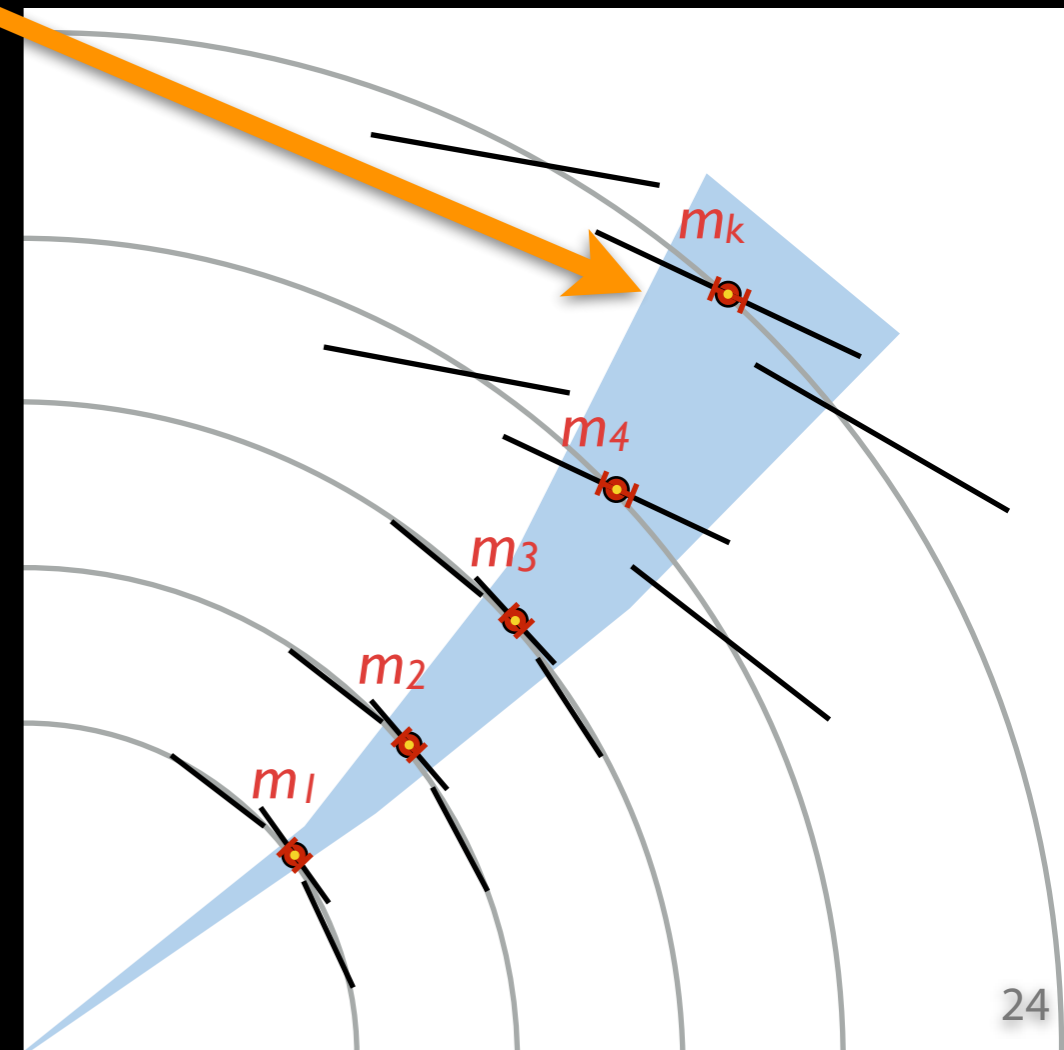


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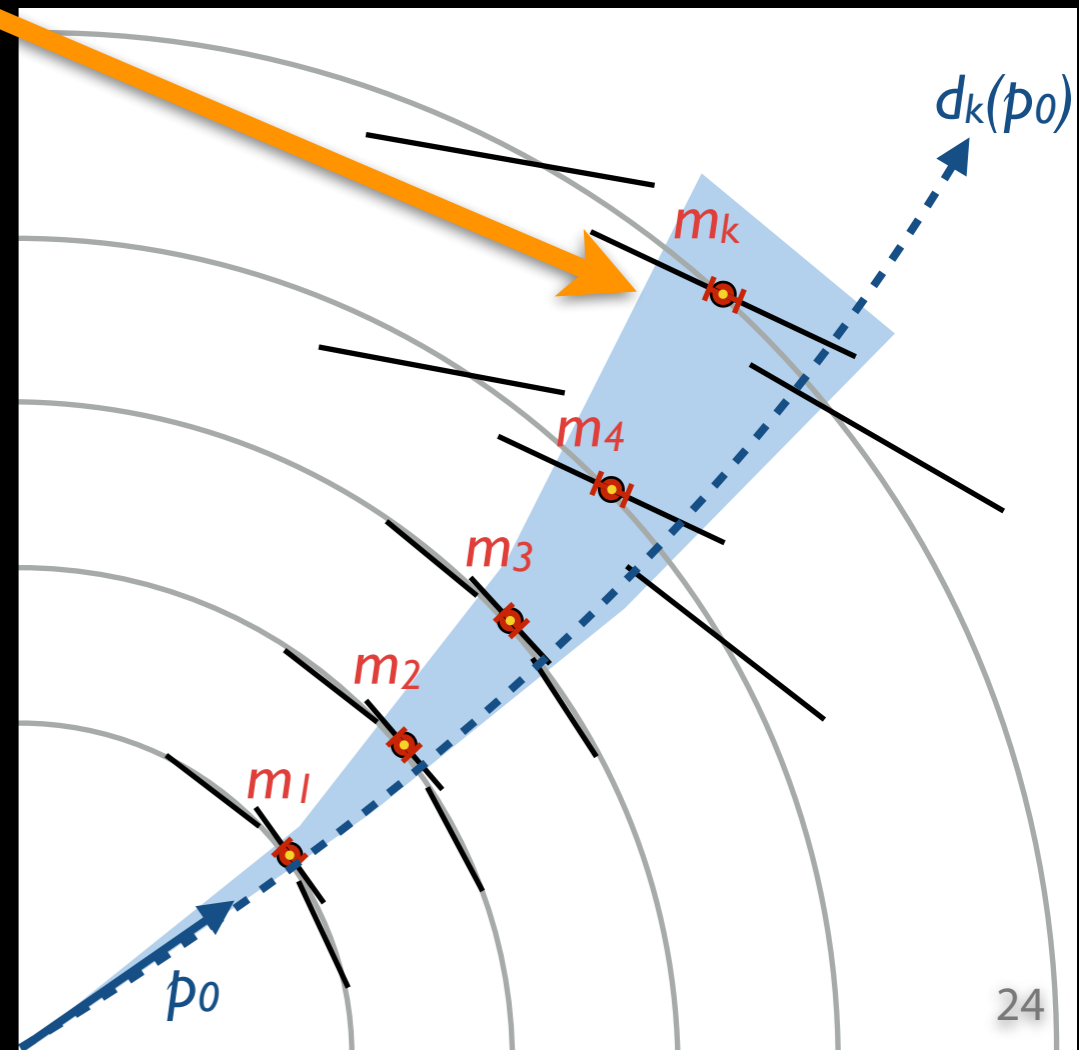
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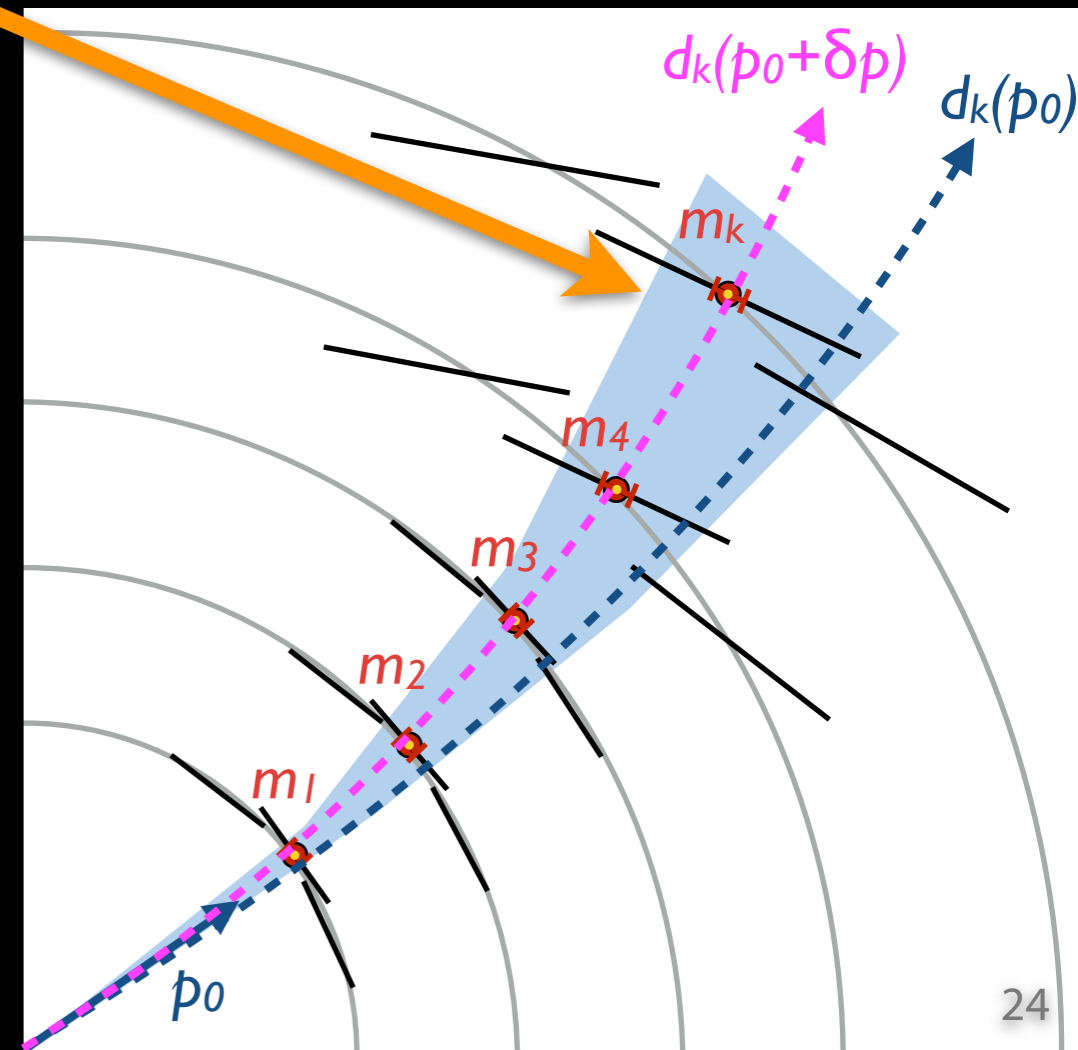
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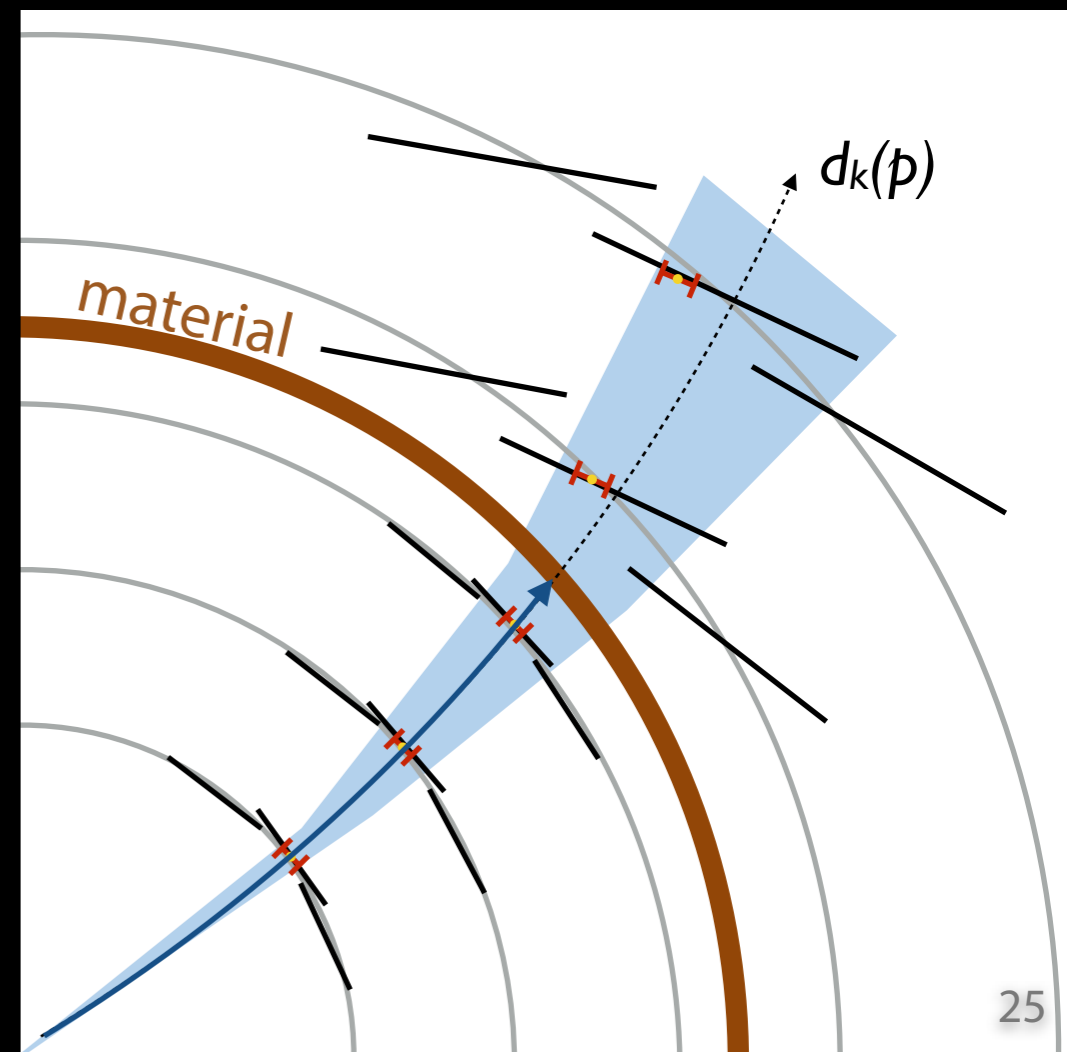
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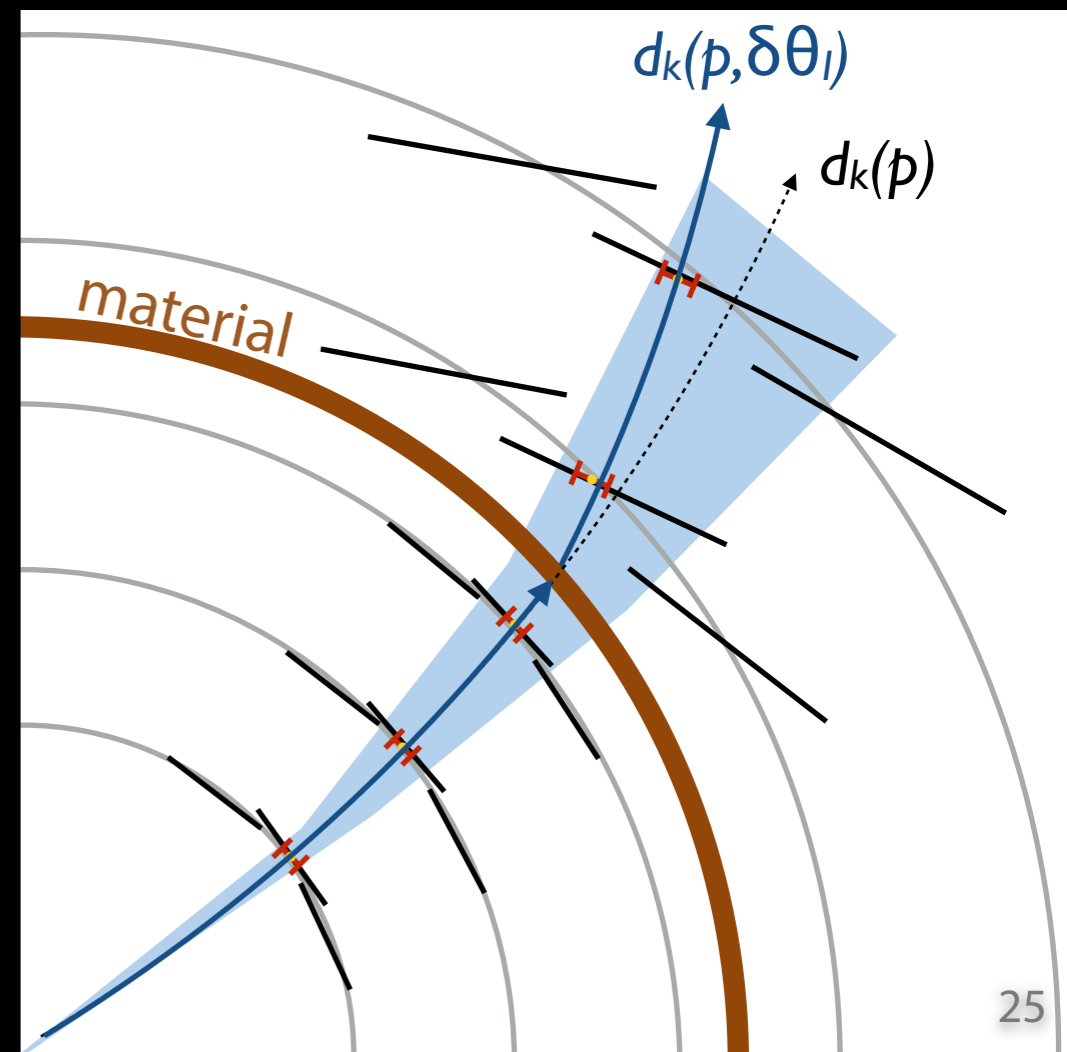
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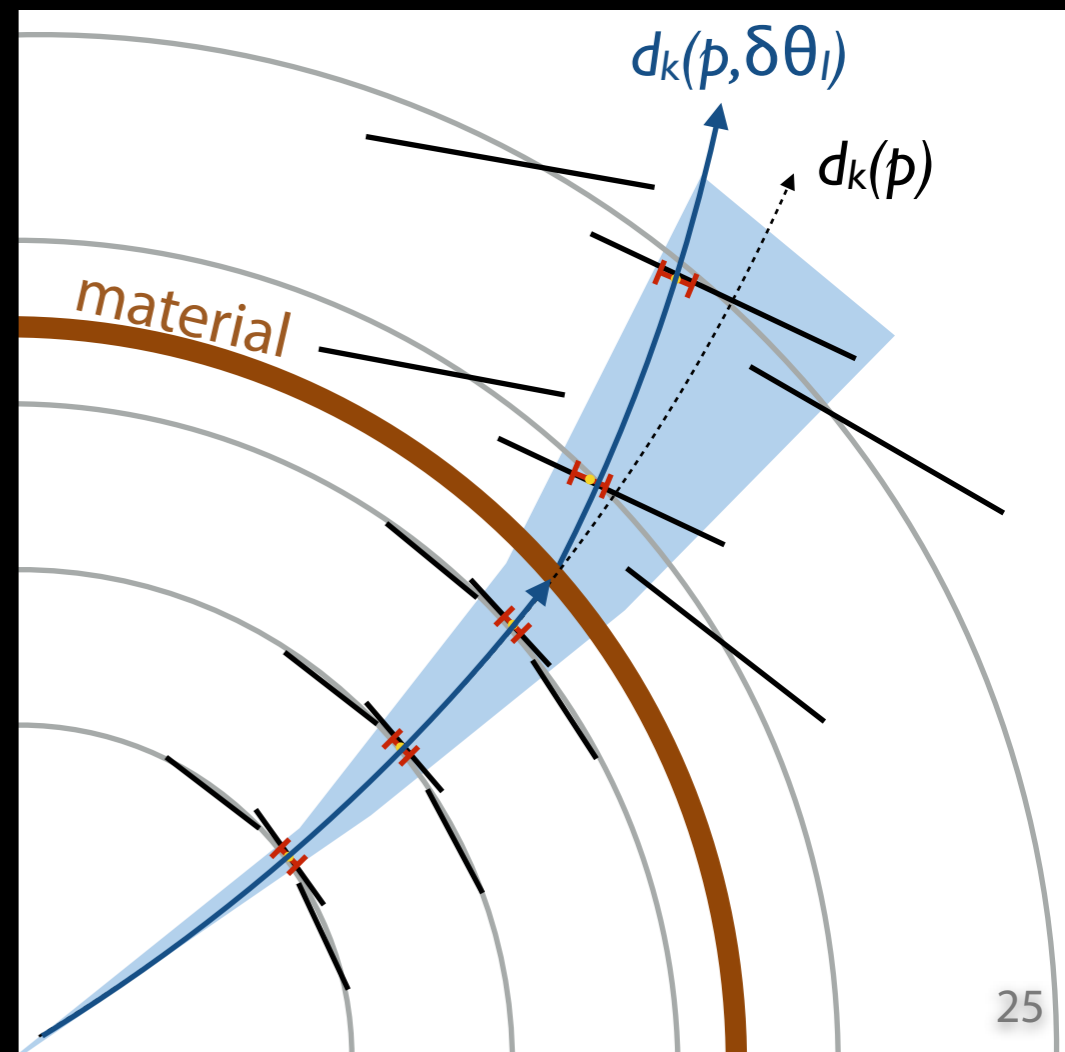
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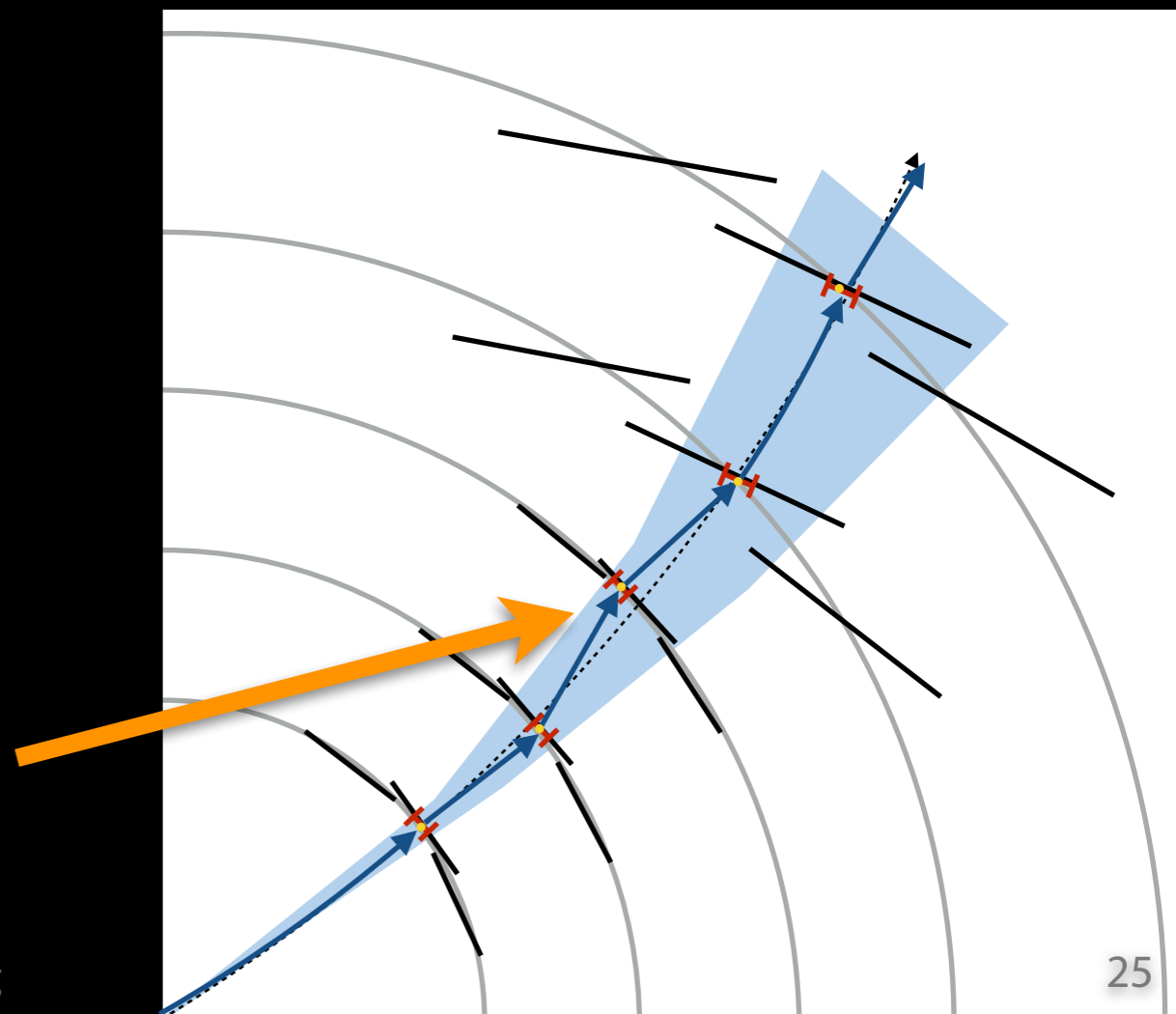
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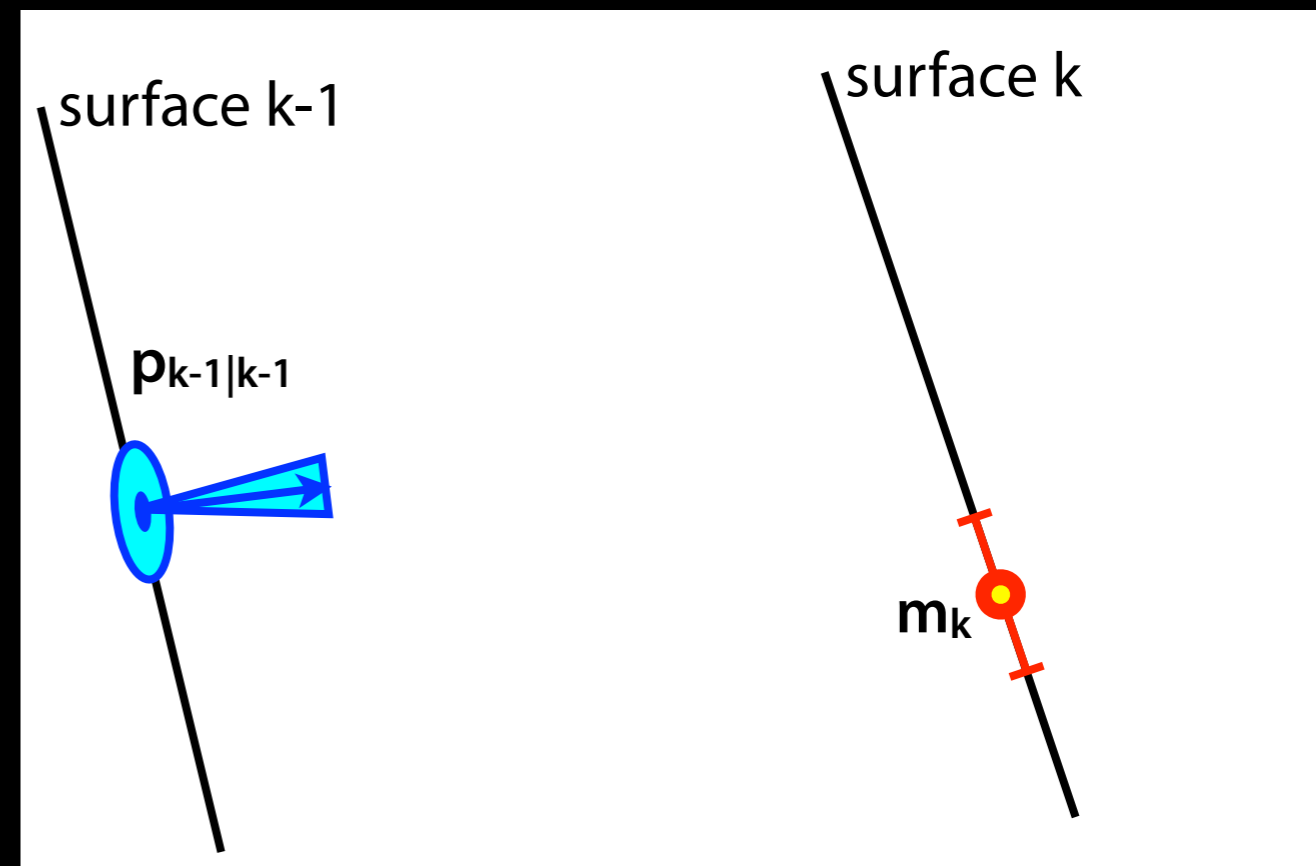
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(e.g. for ATLAS muon reconstruction)



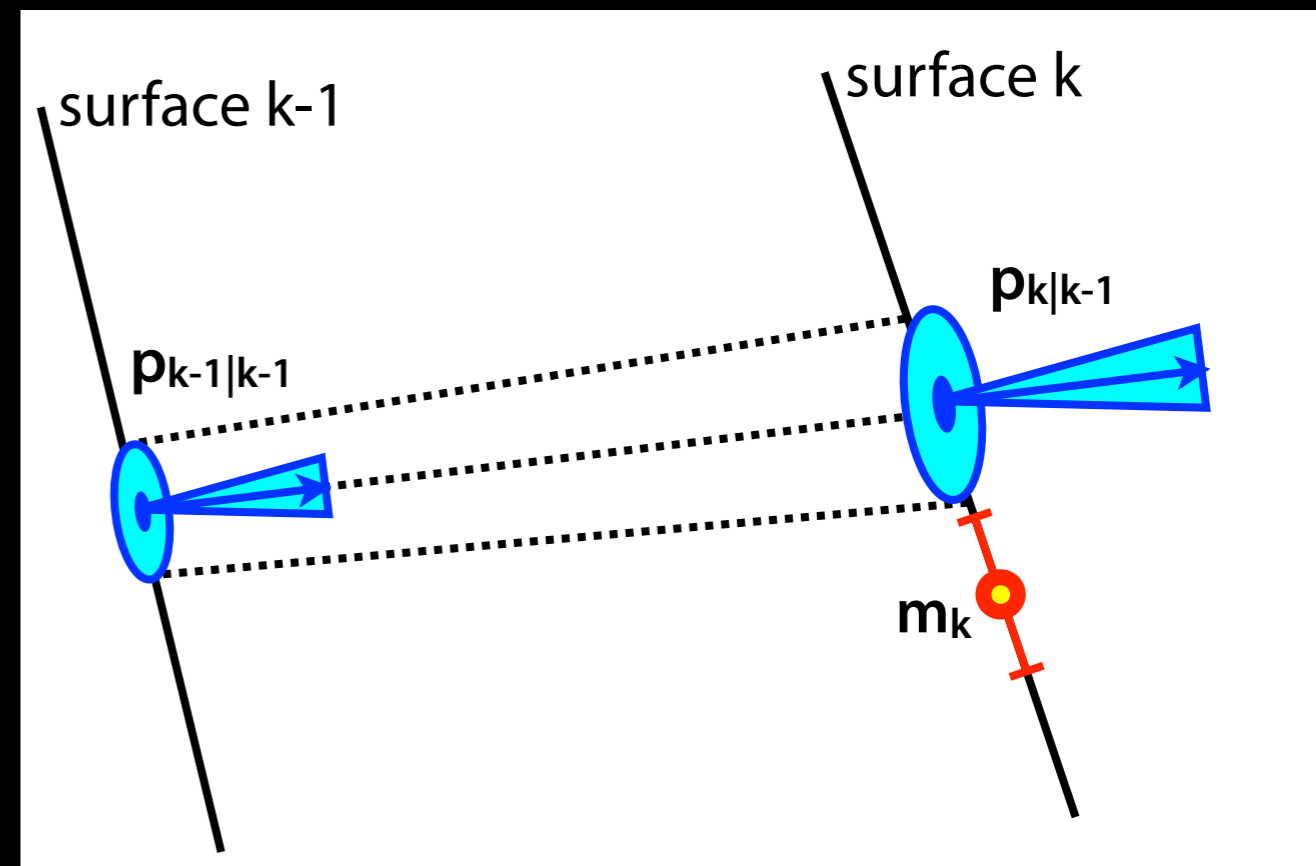
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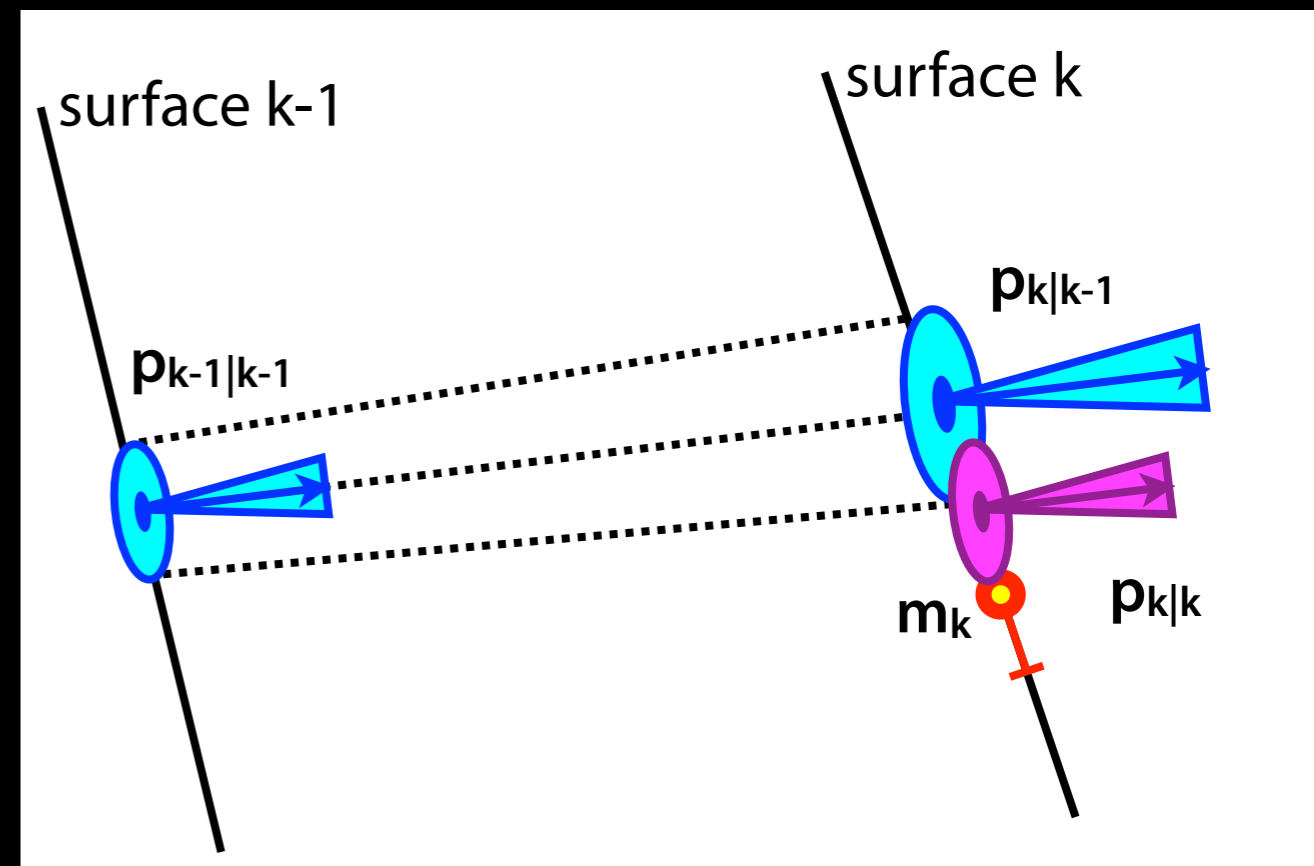
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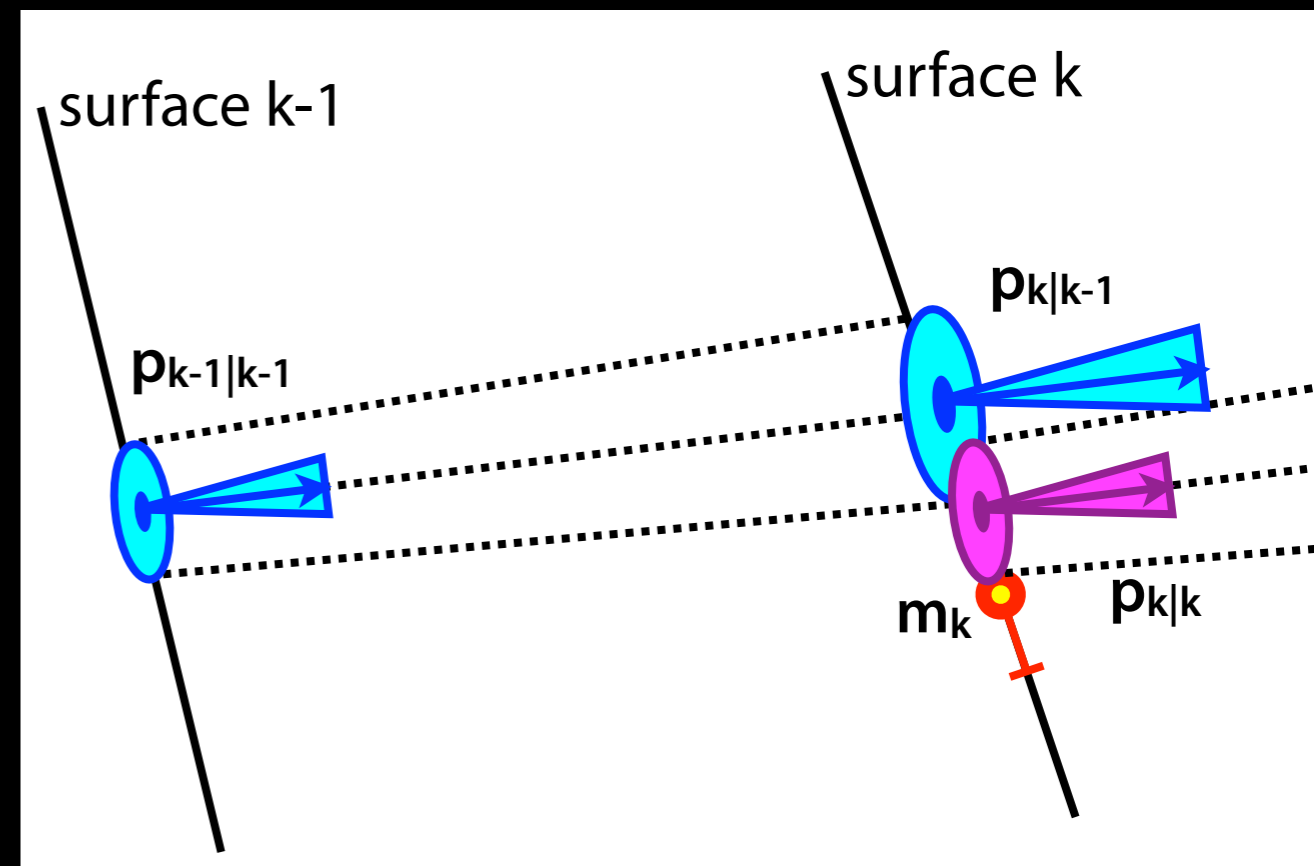
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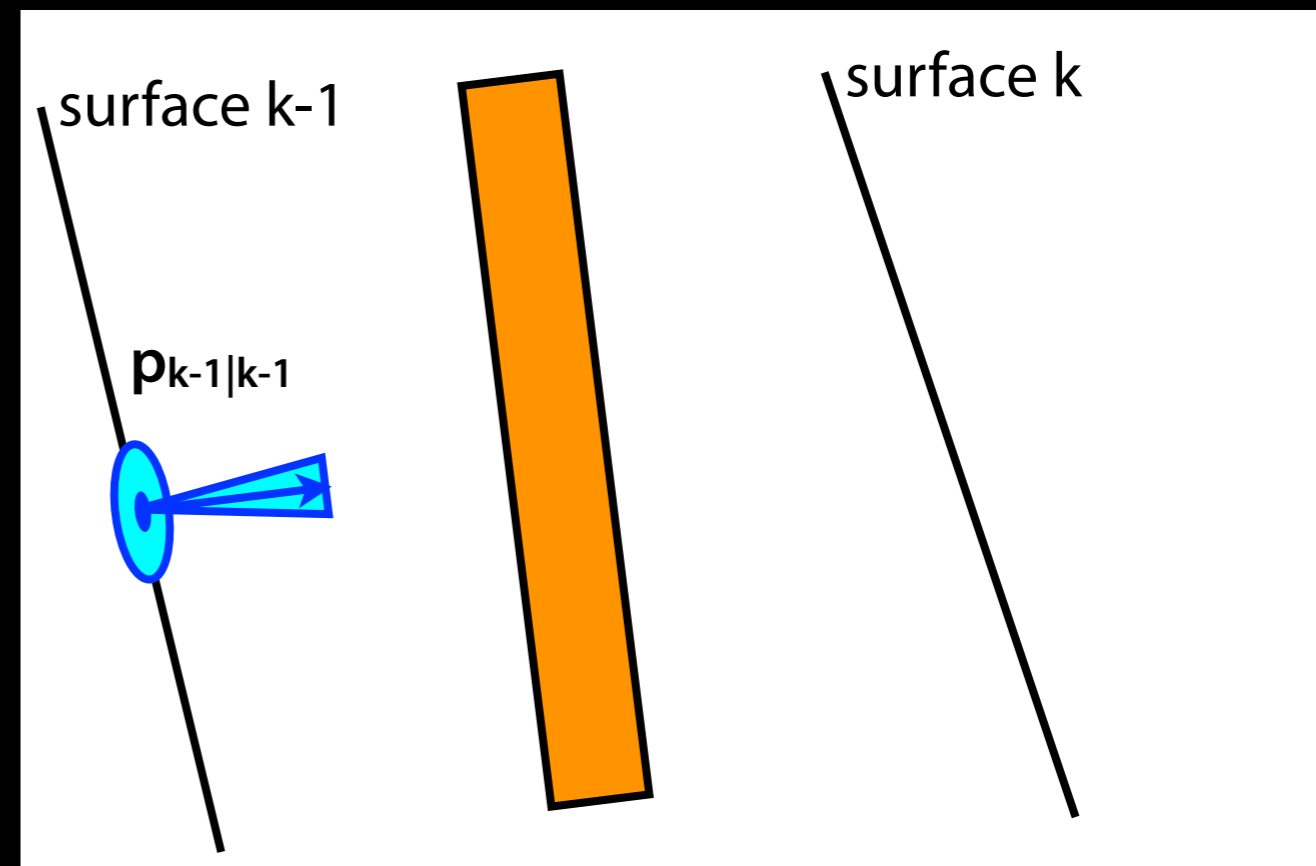
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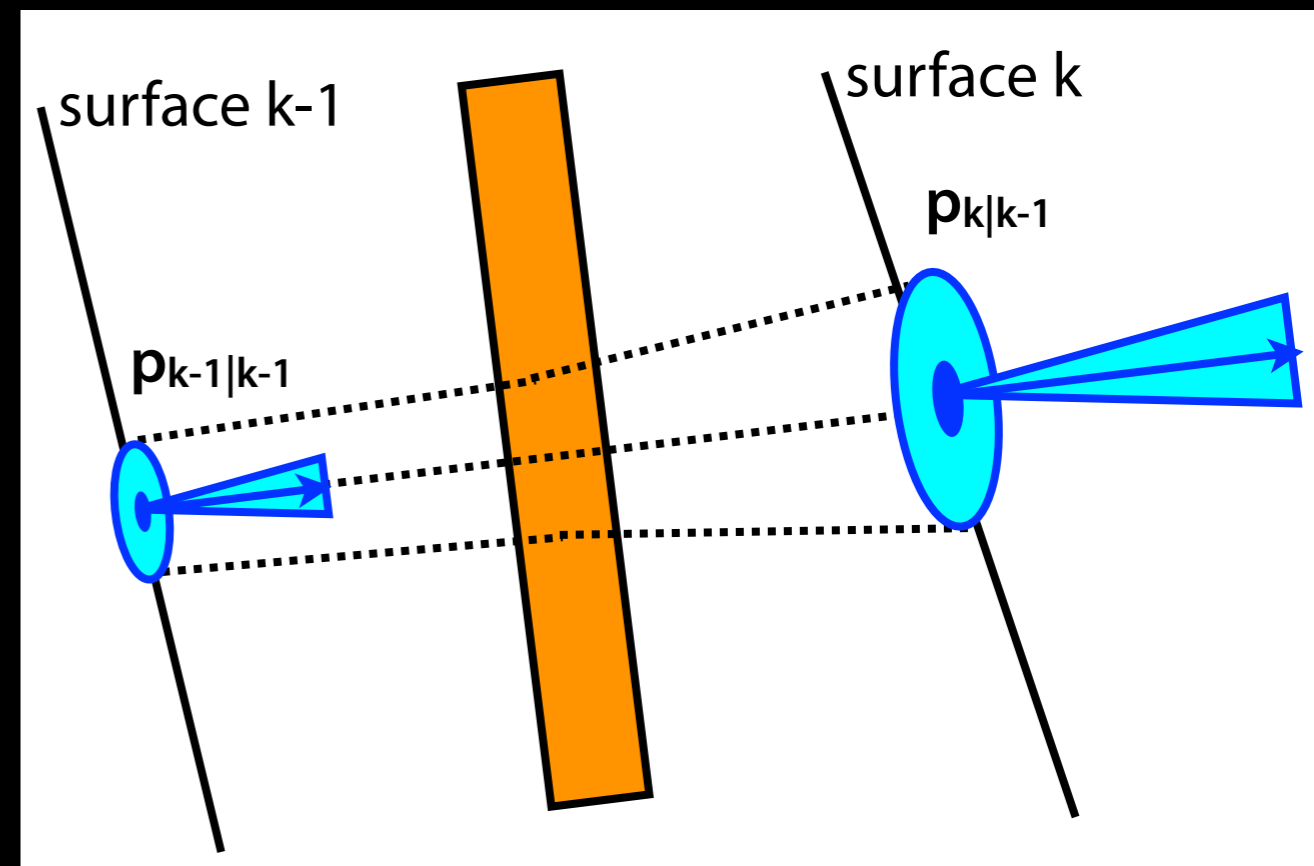
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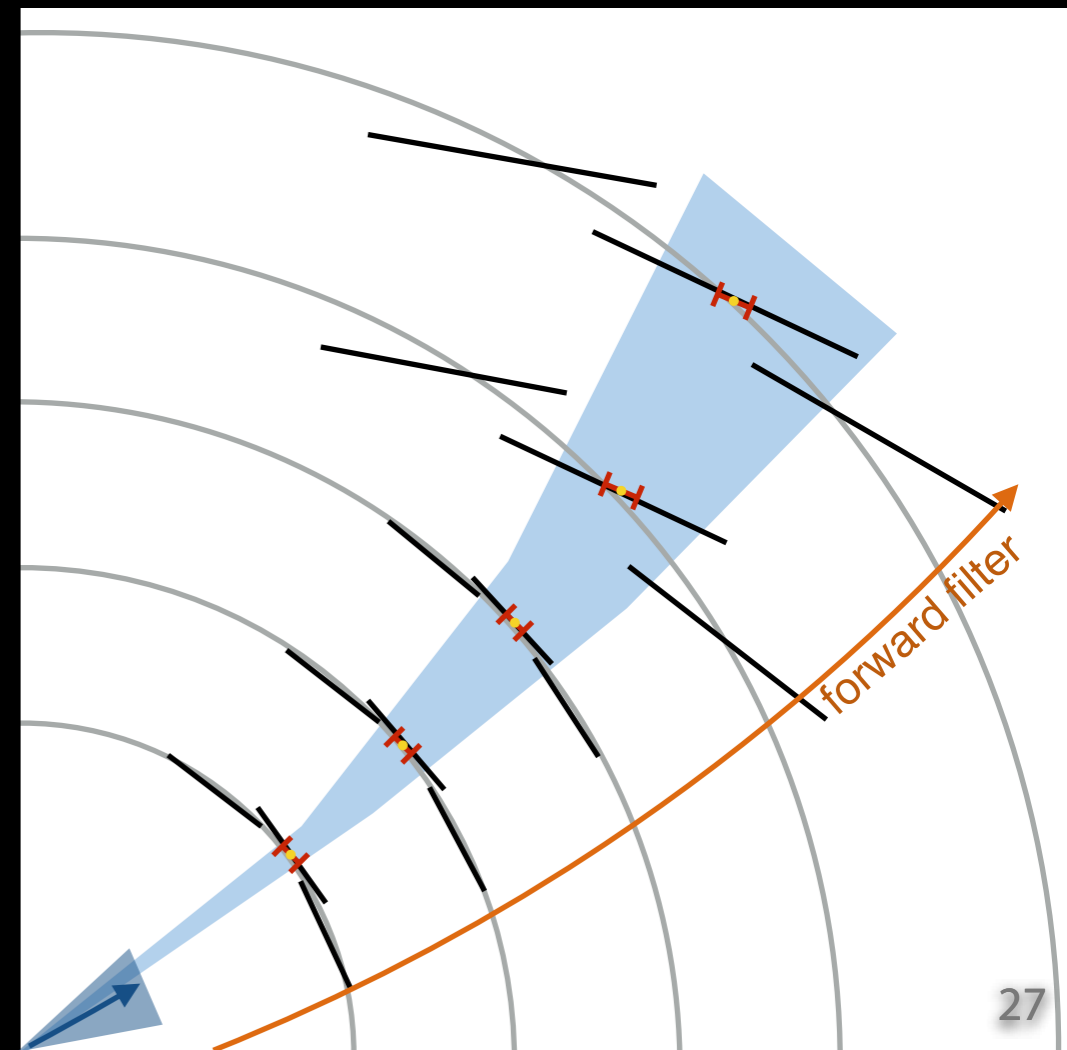
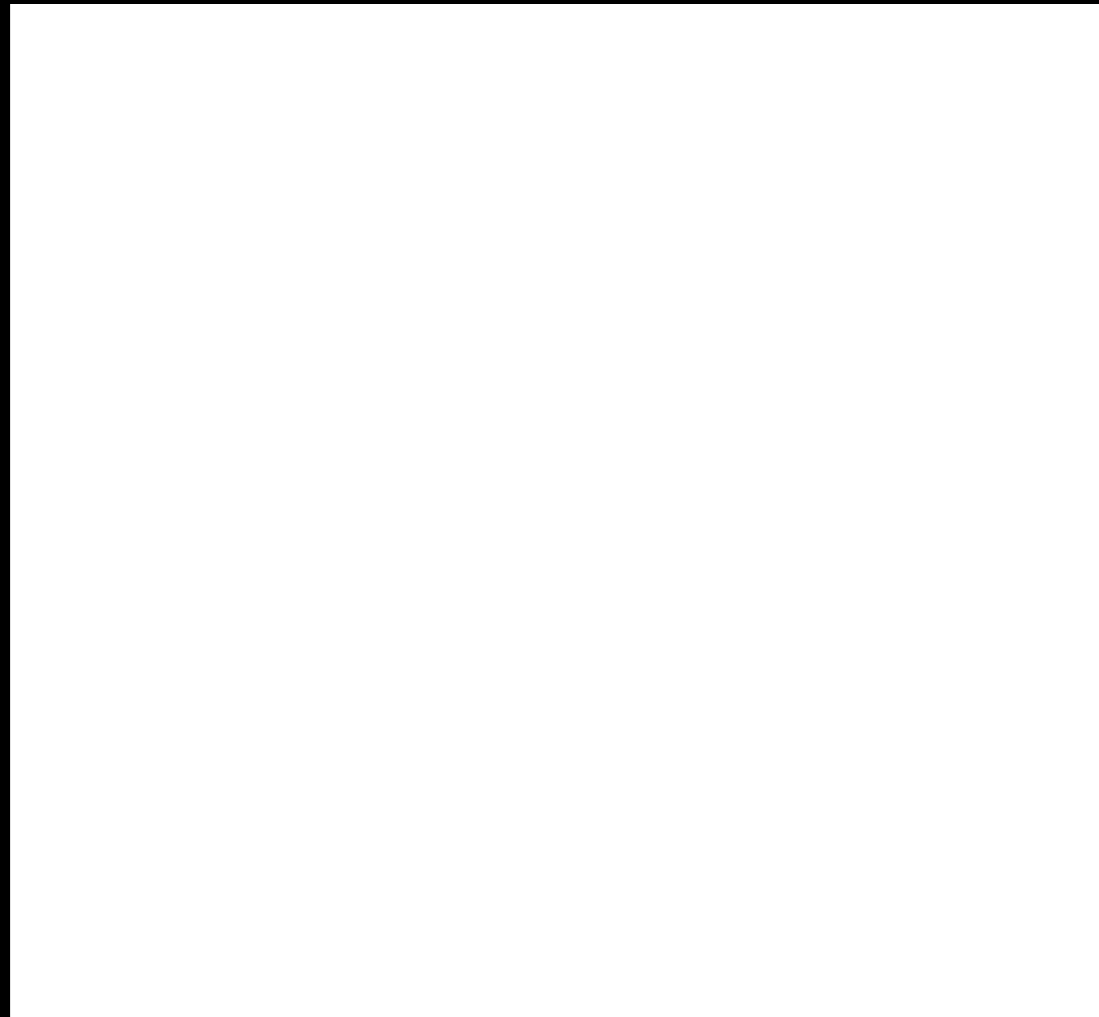
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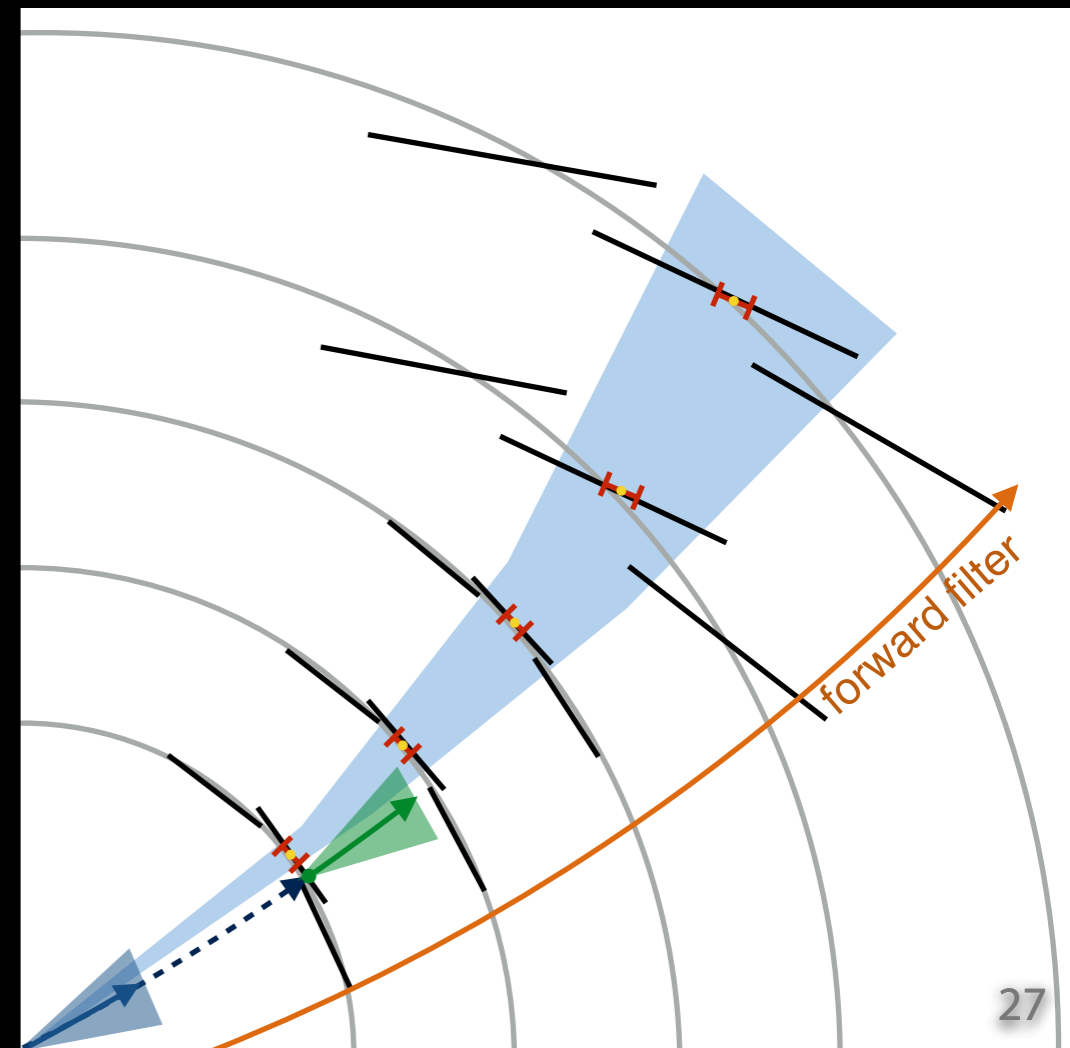
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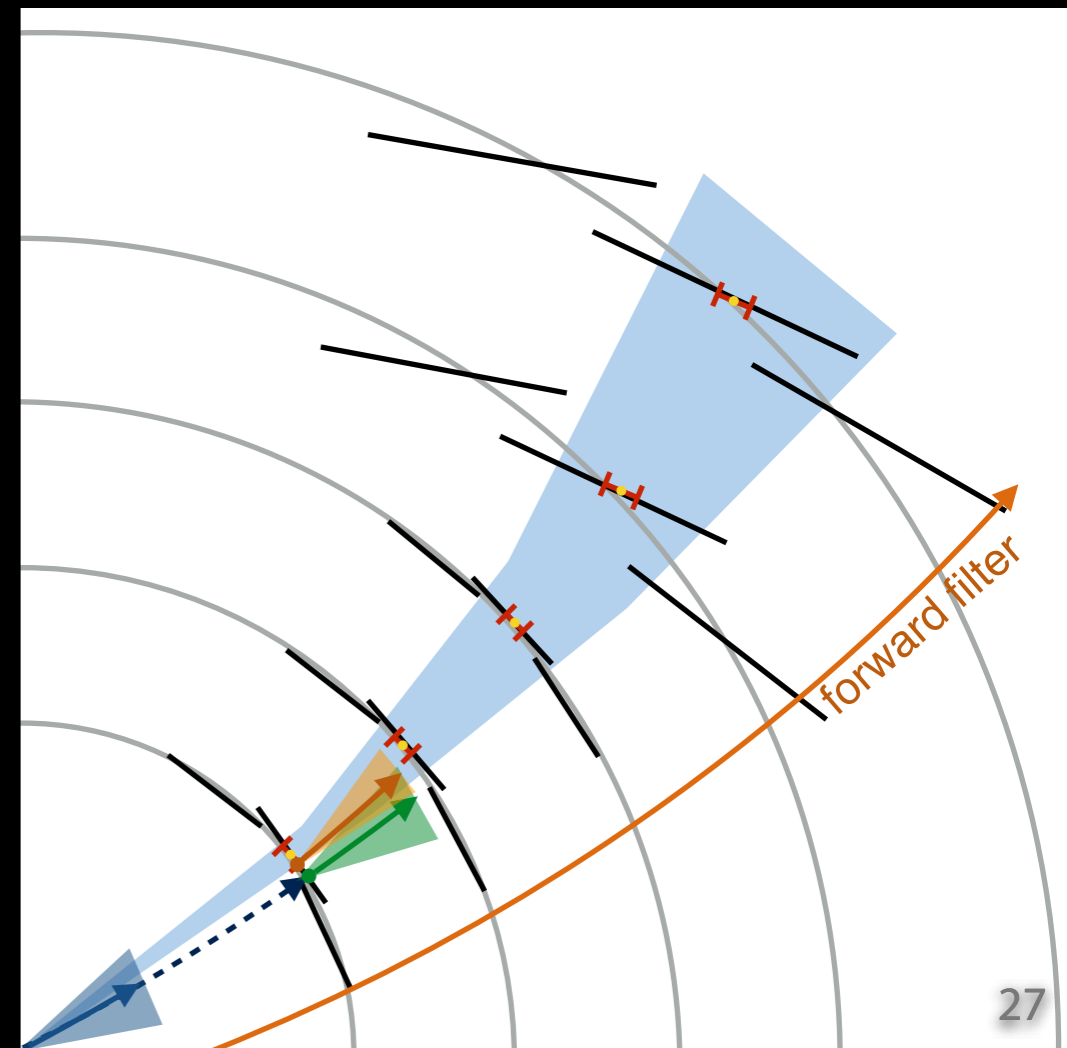
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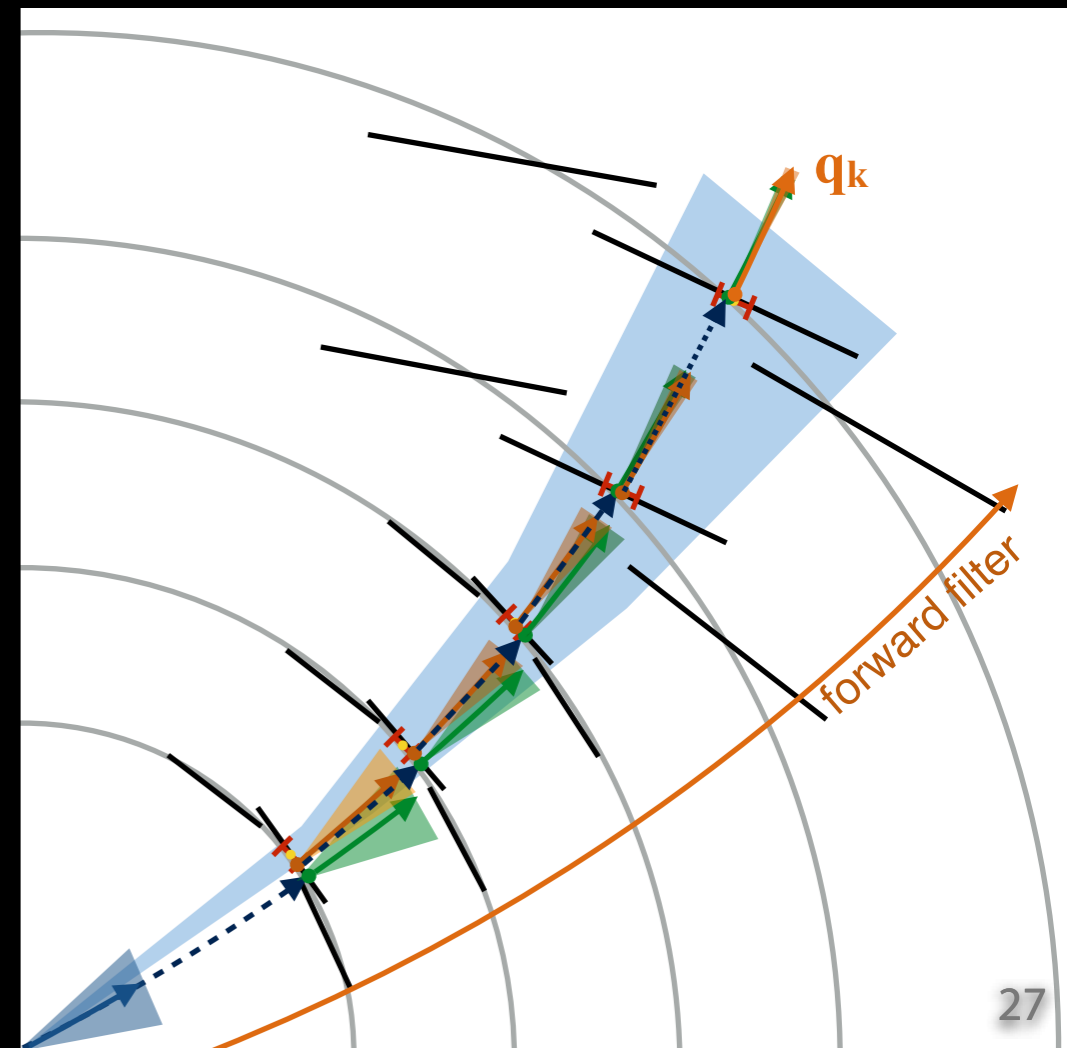
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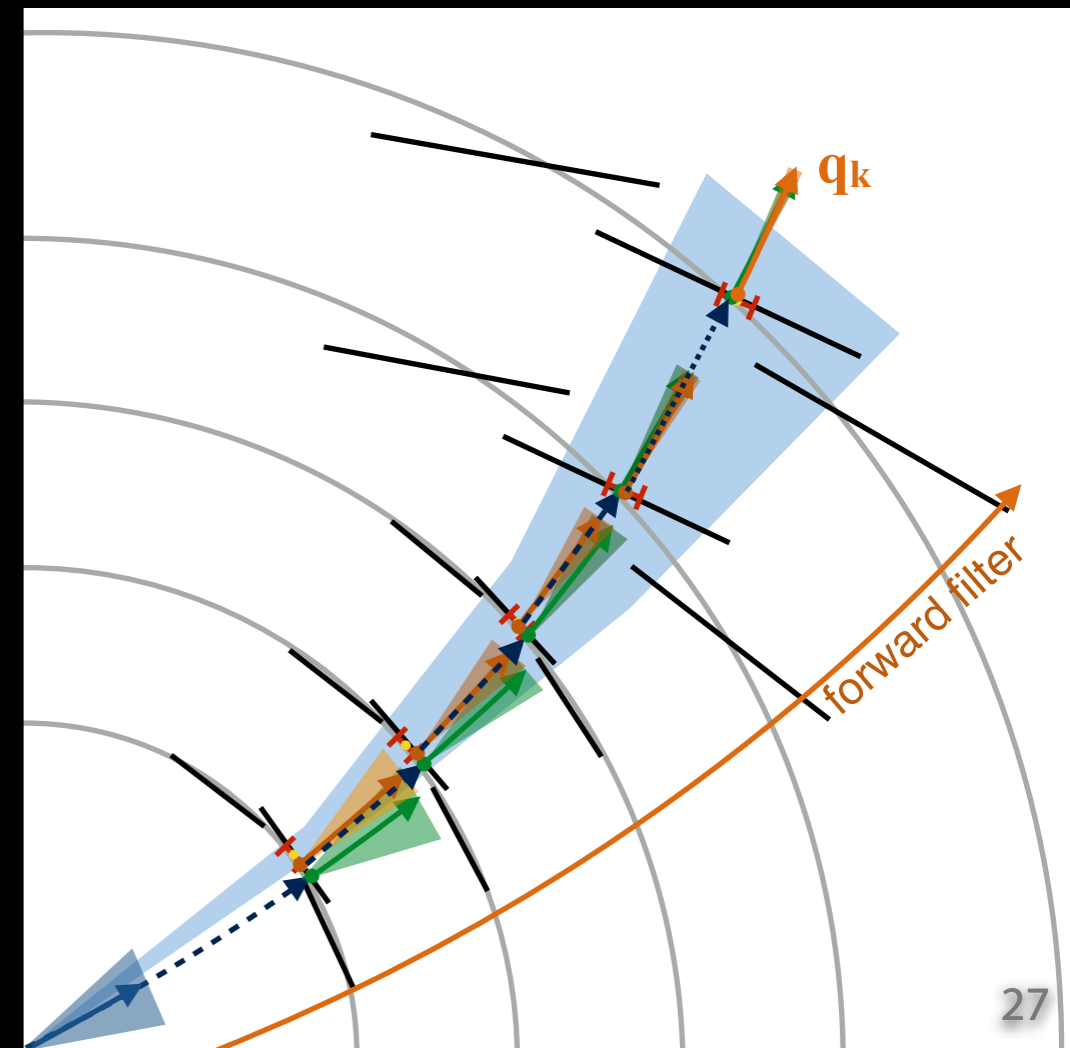
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→ **equivalent**: average forw./back. filter

→ Smoother in mathematical terms:

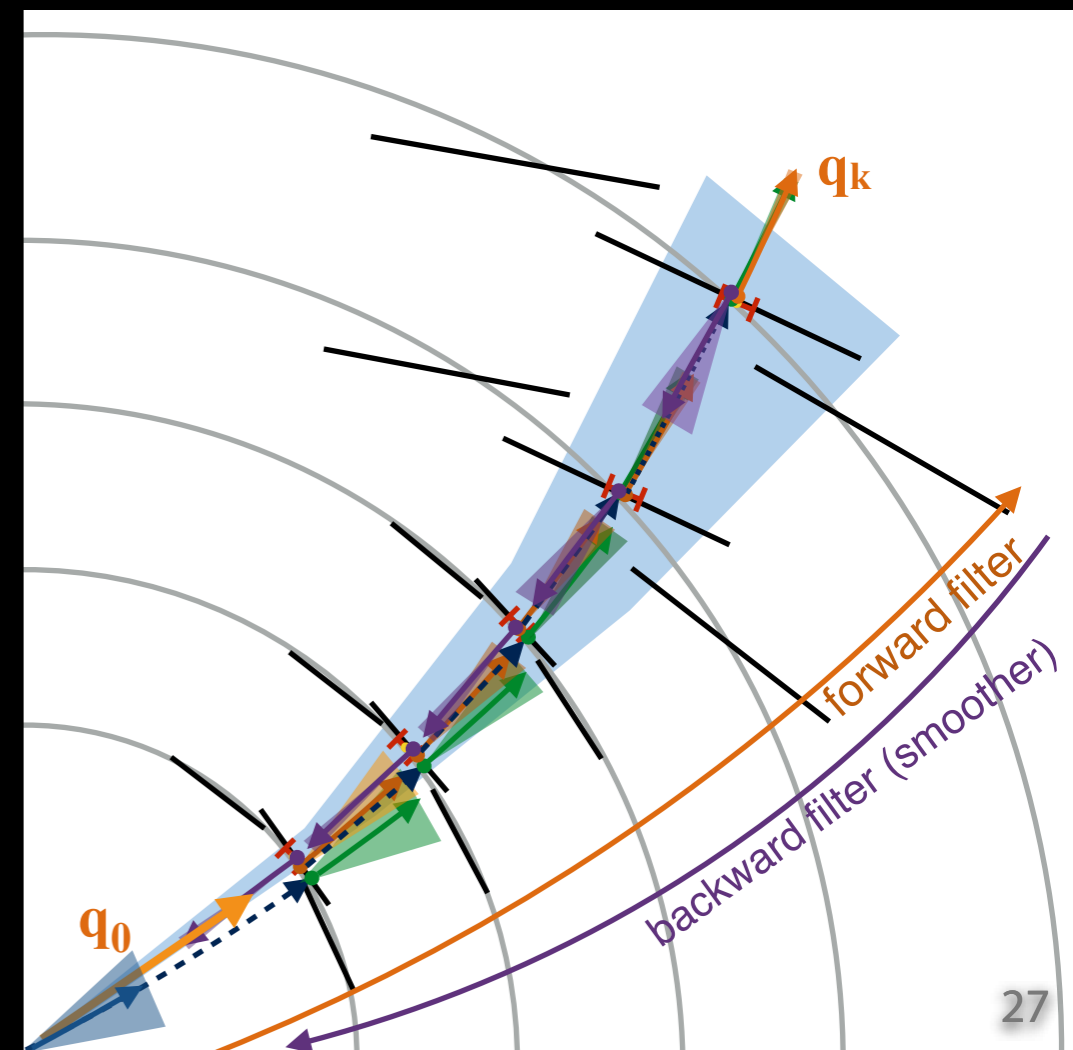
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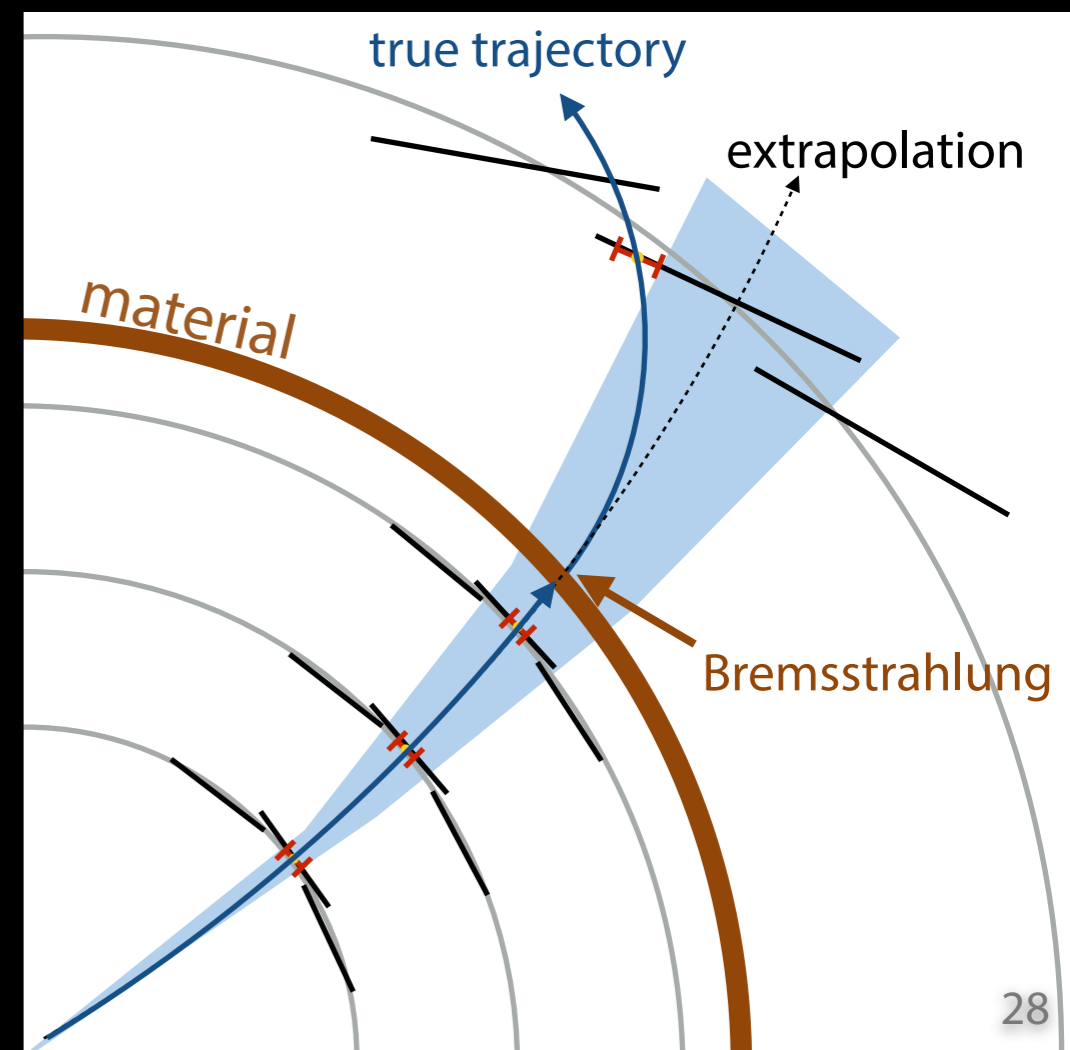
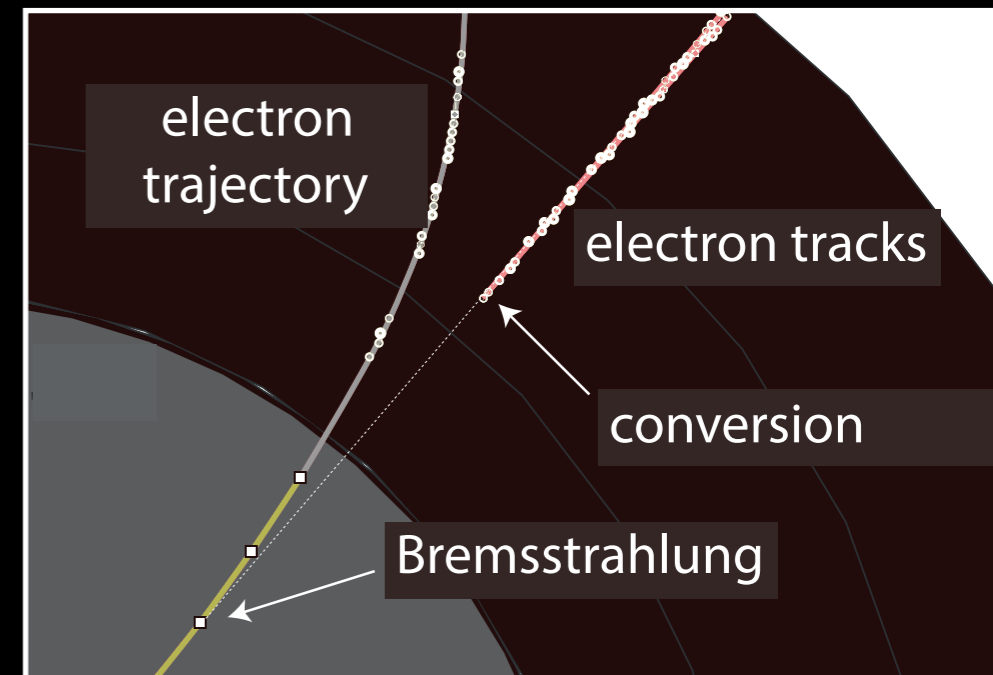
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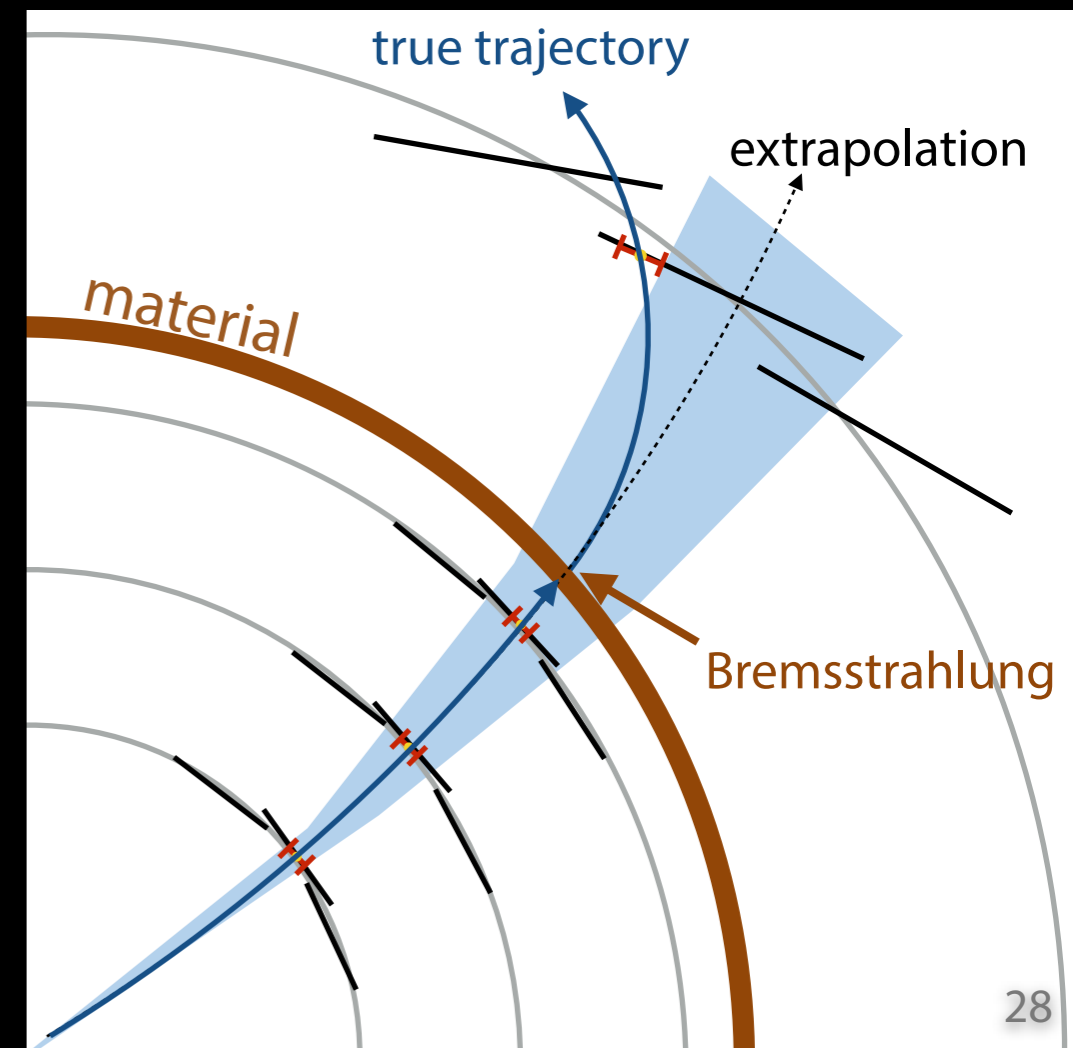
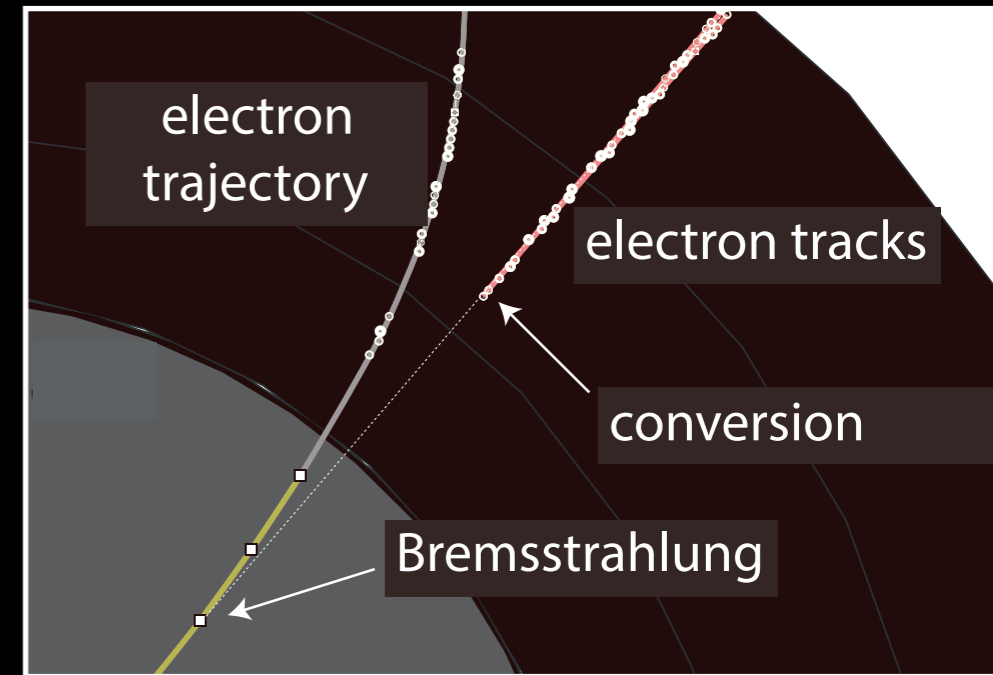
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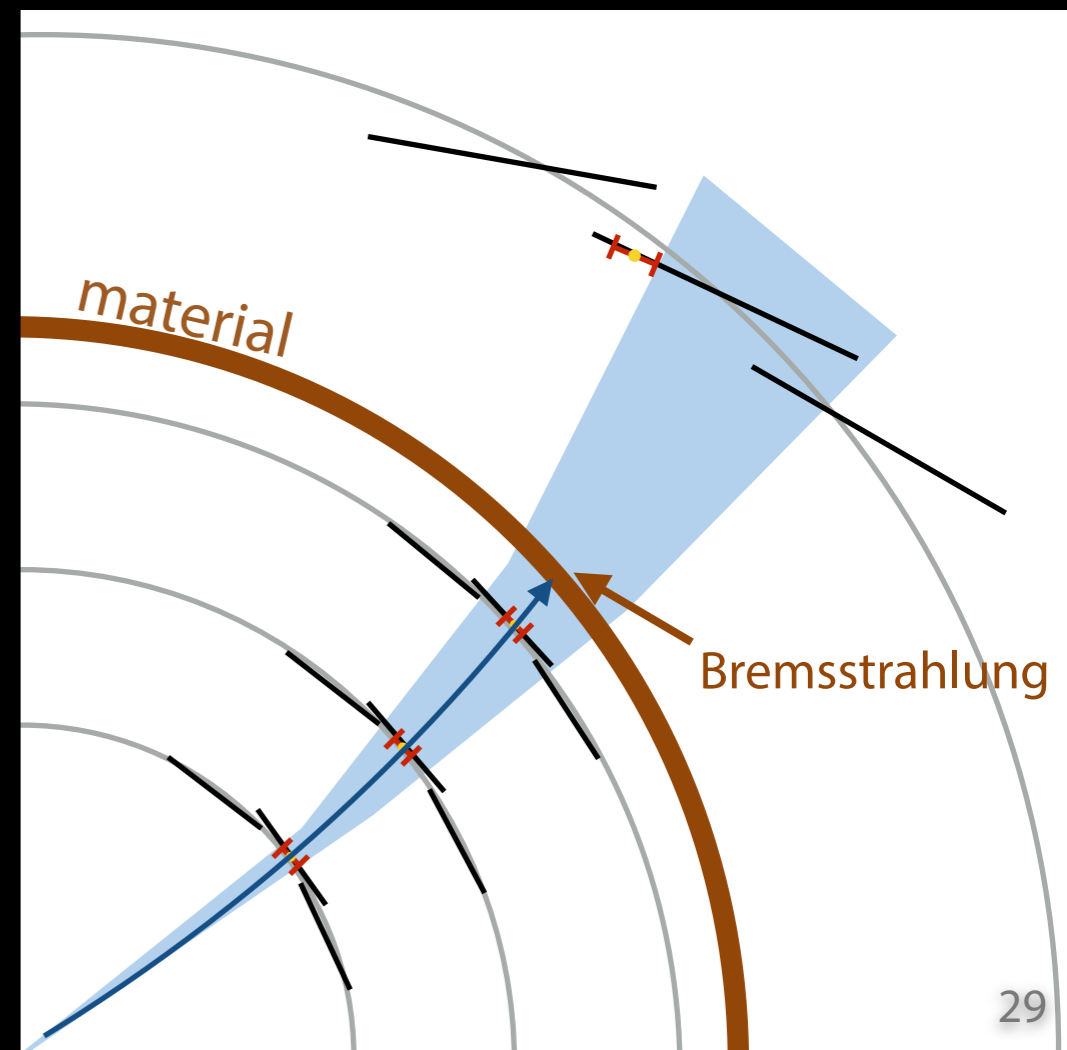
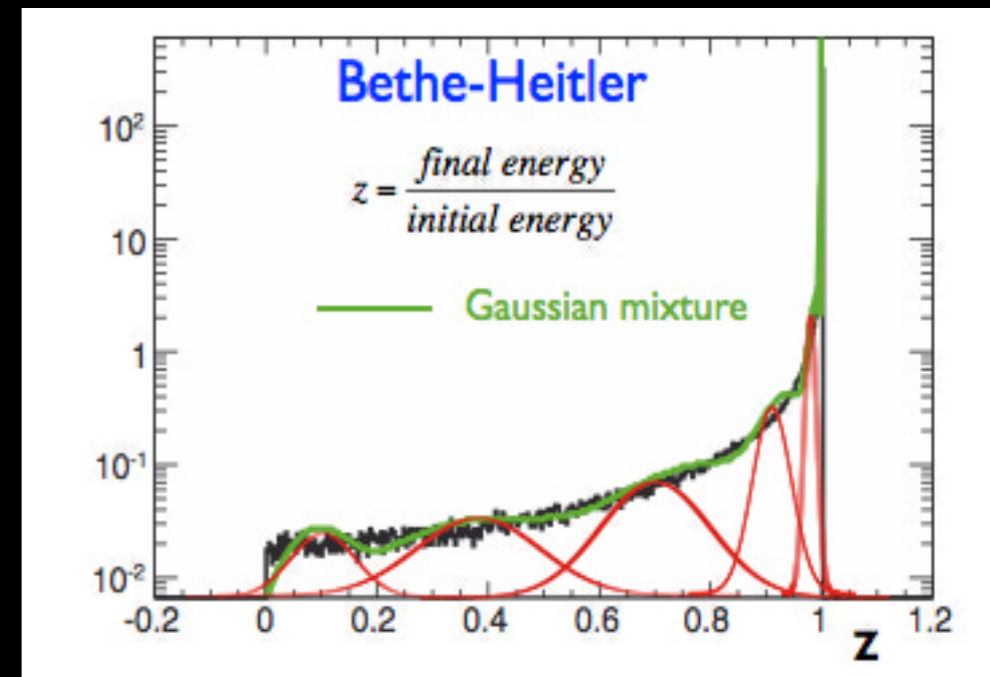
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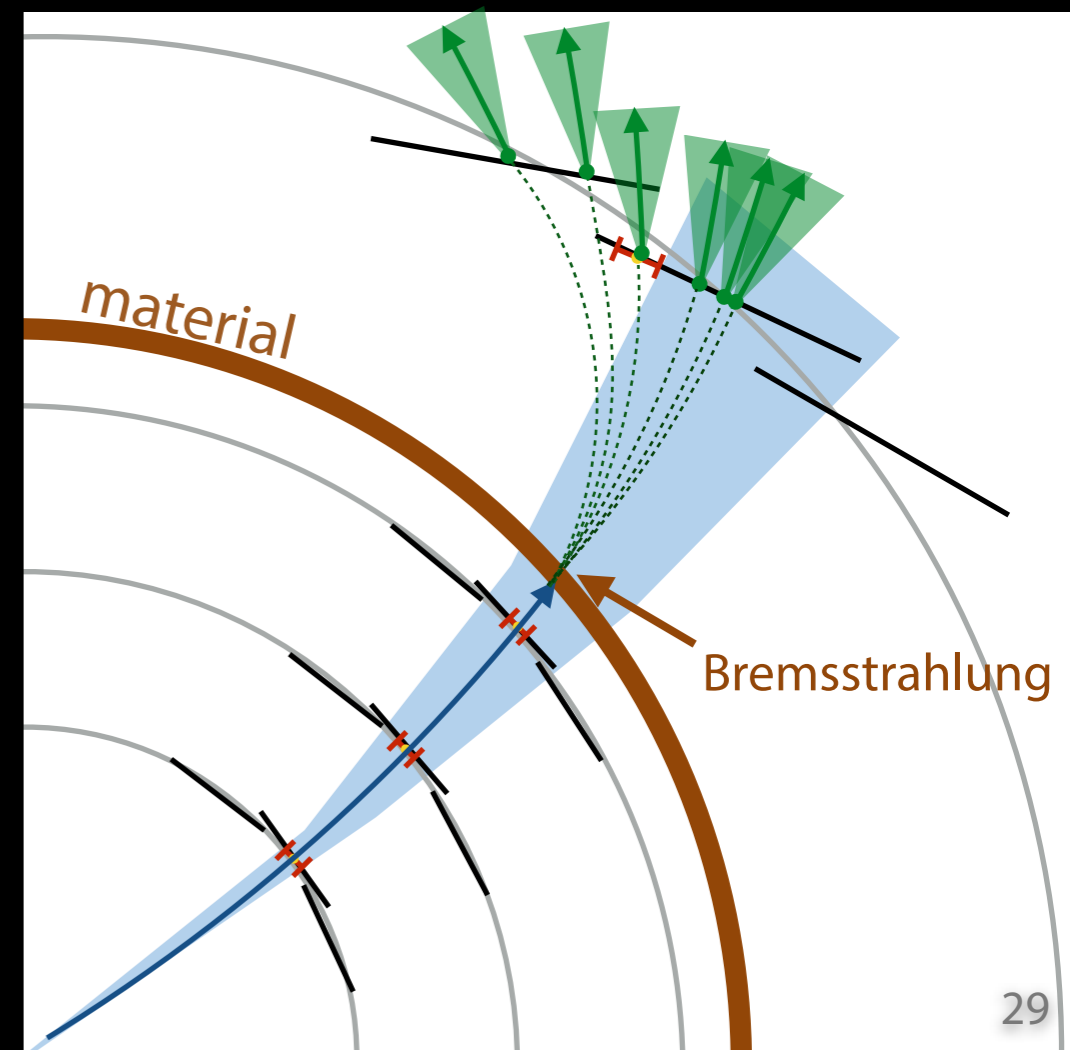
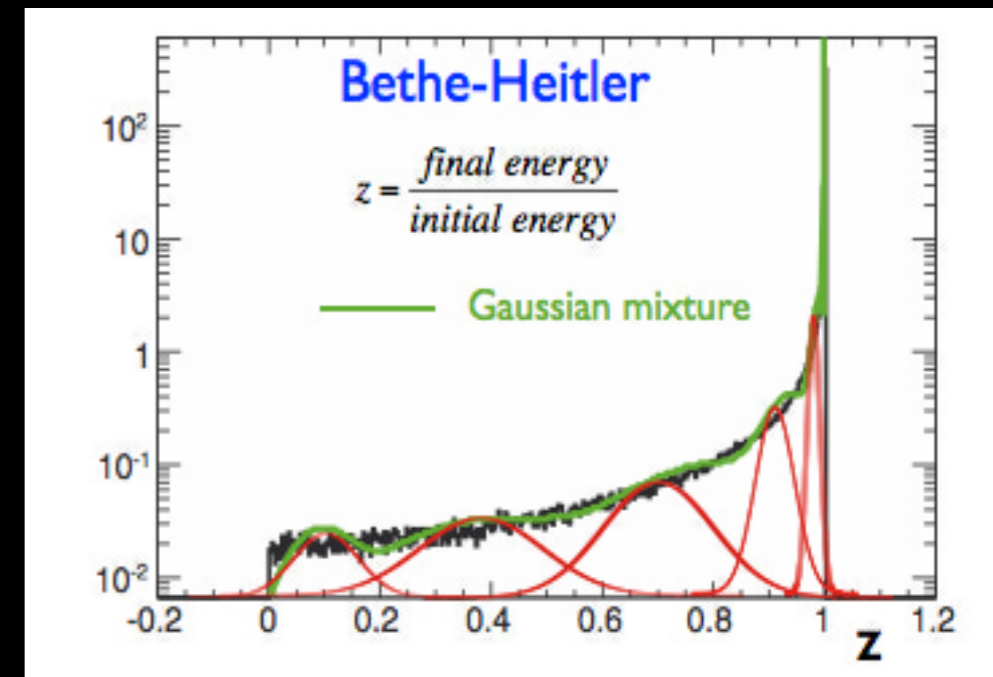
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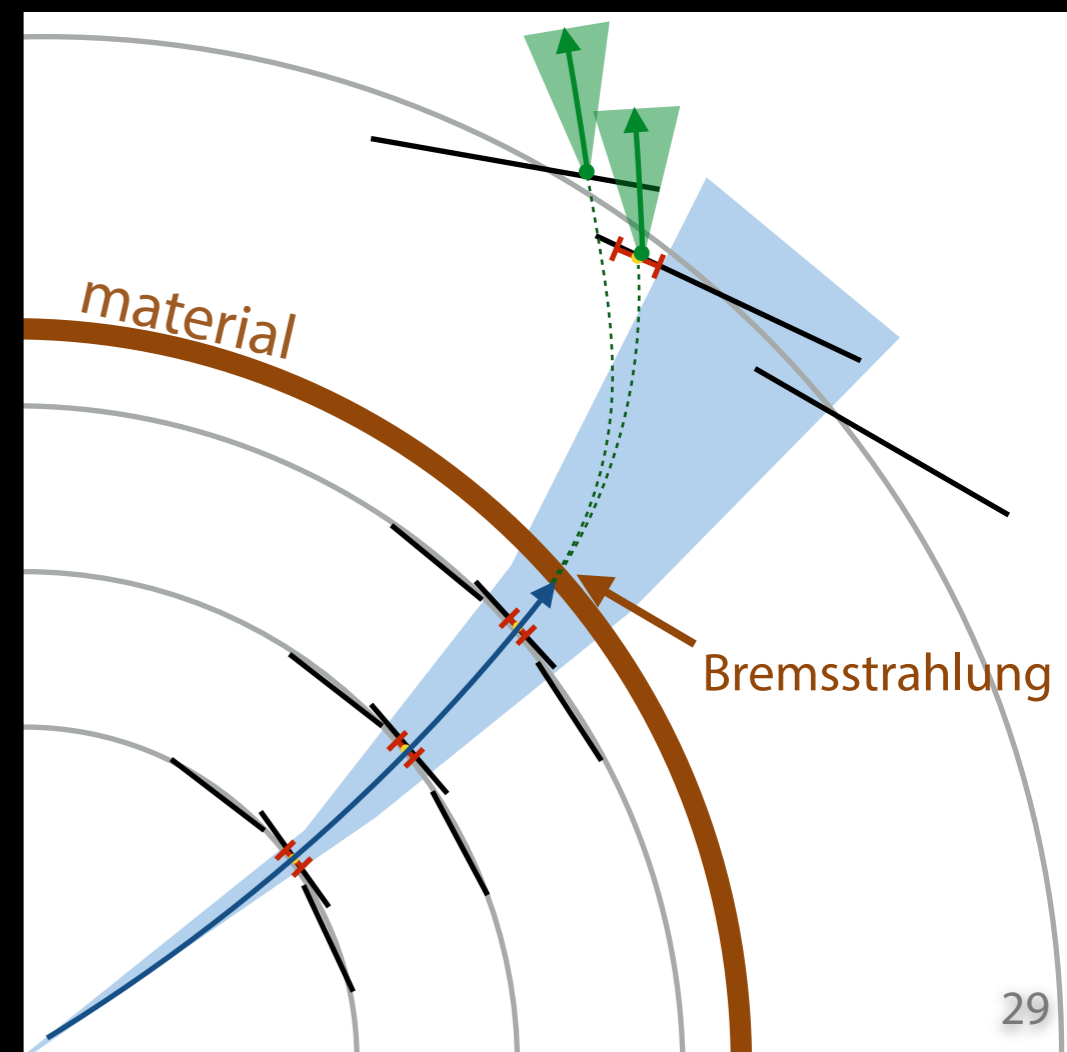
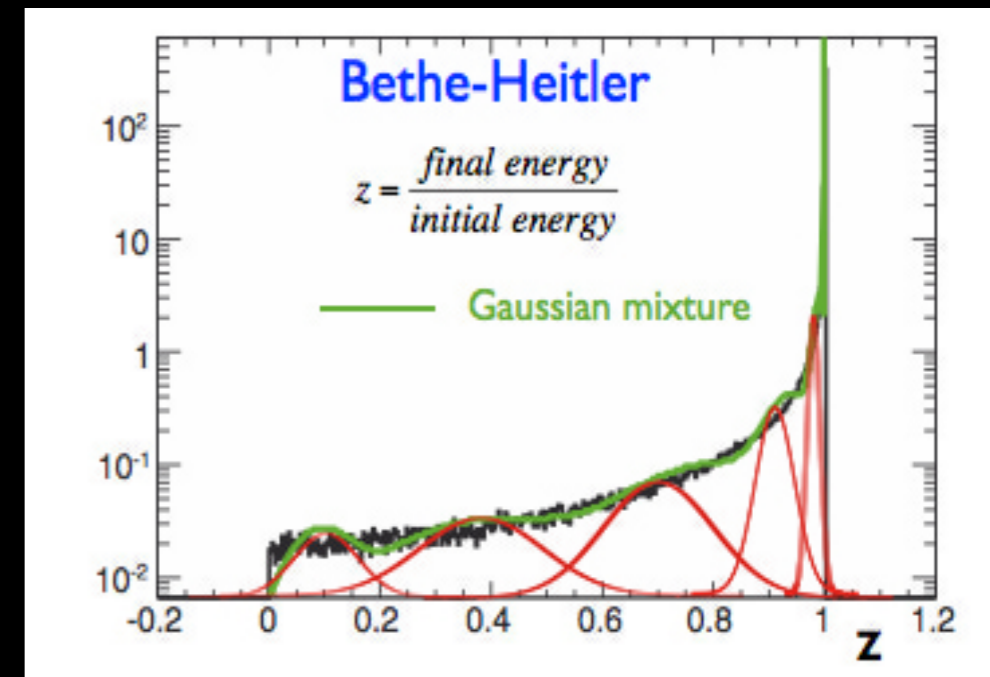
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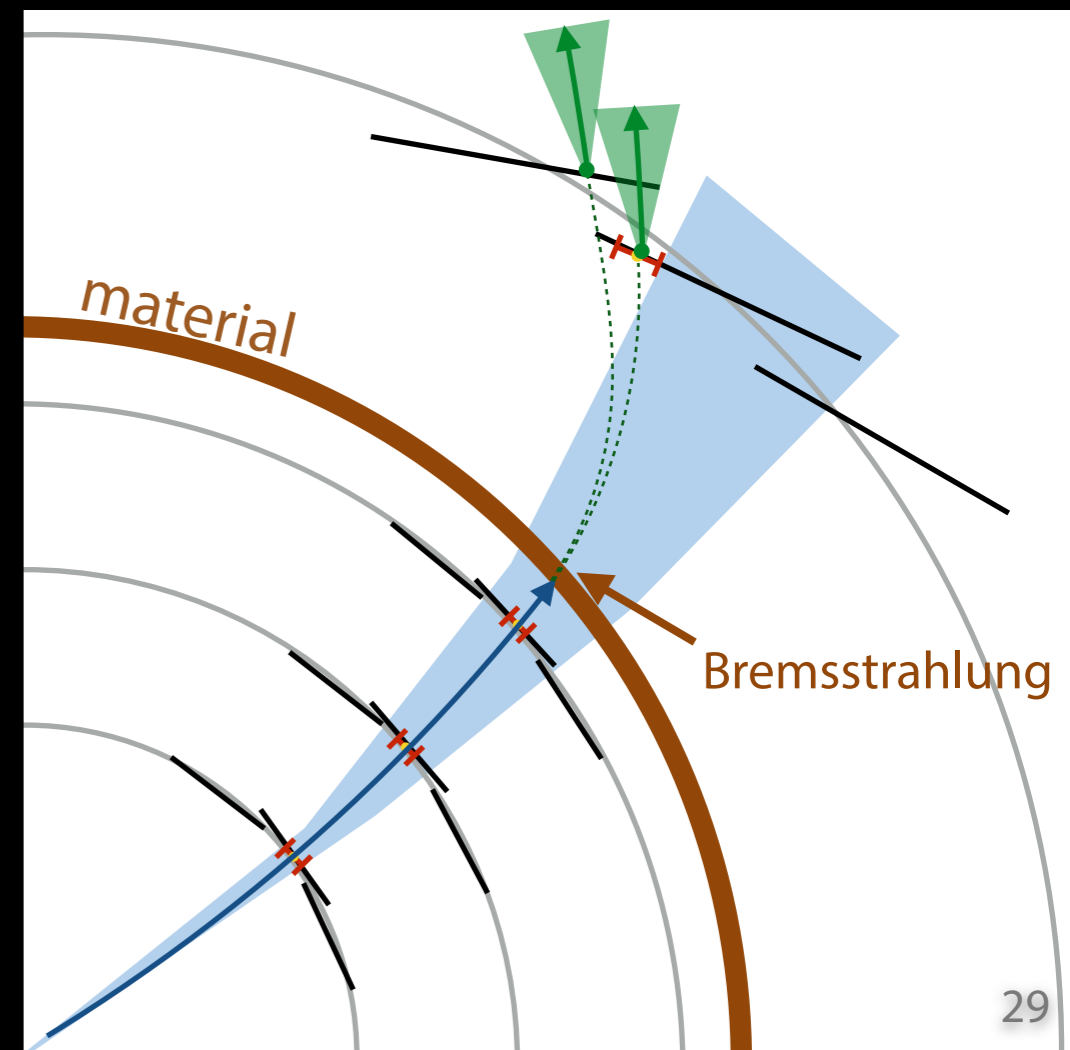
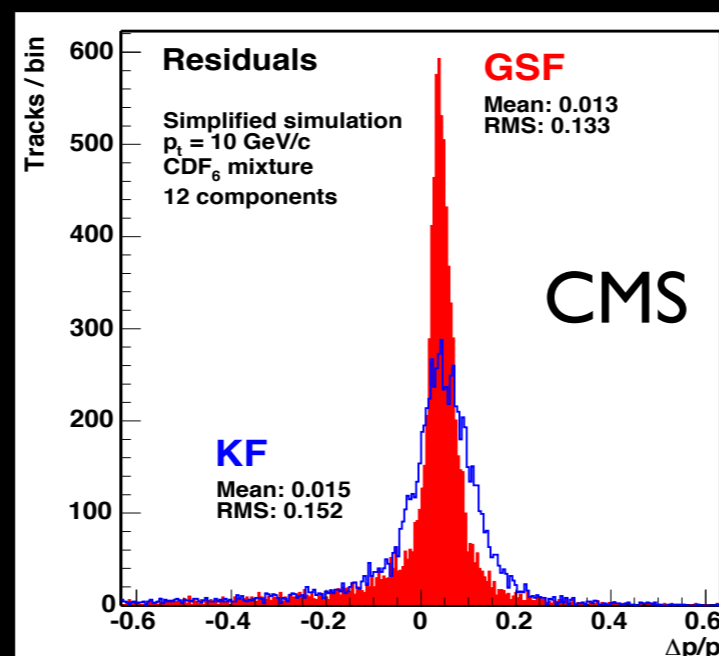
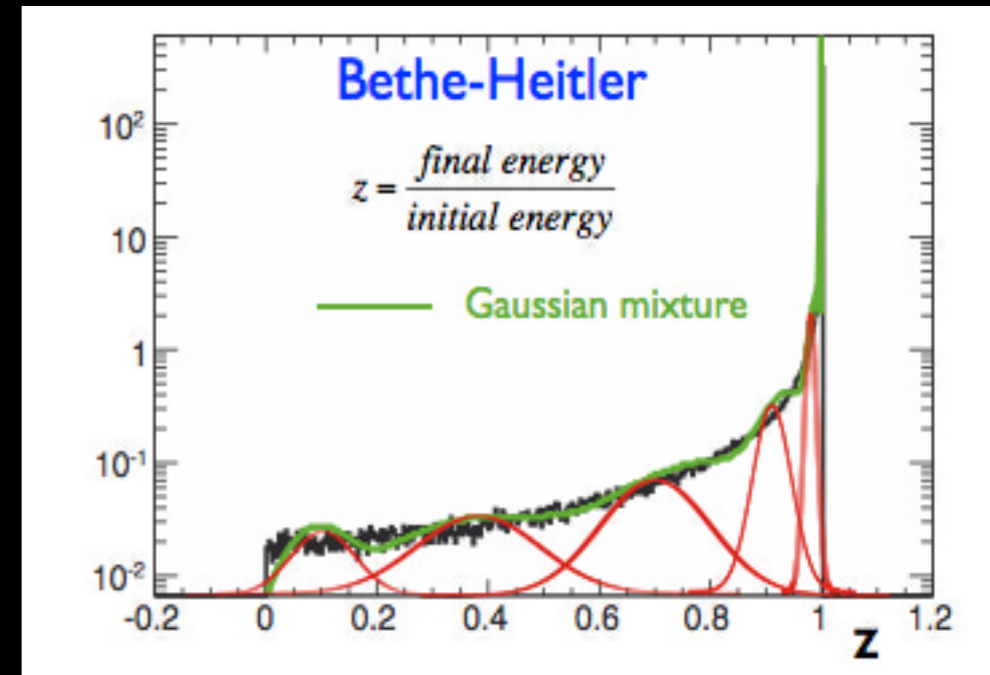
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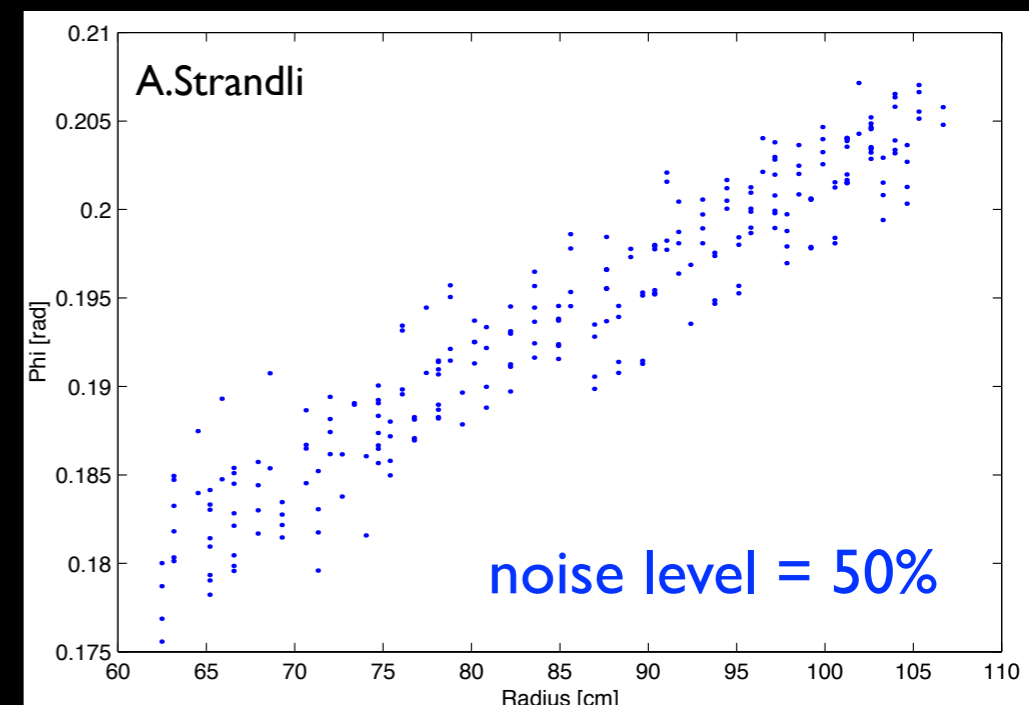
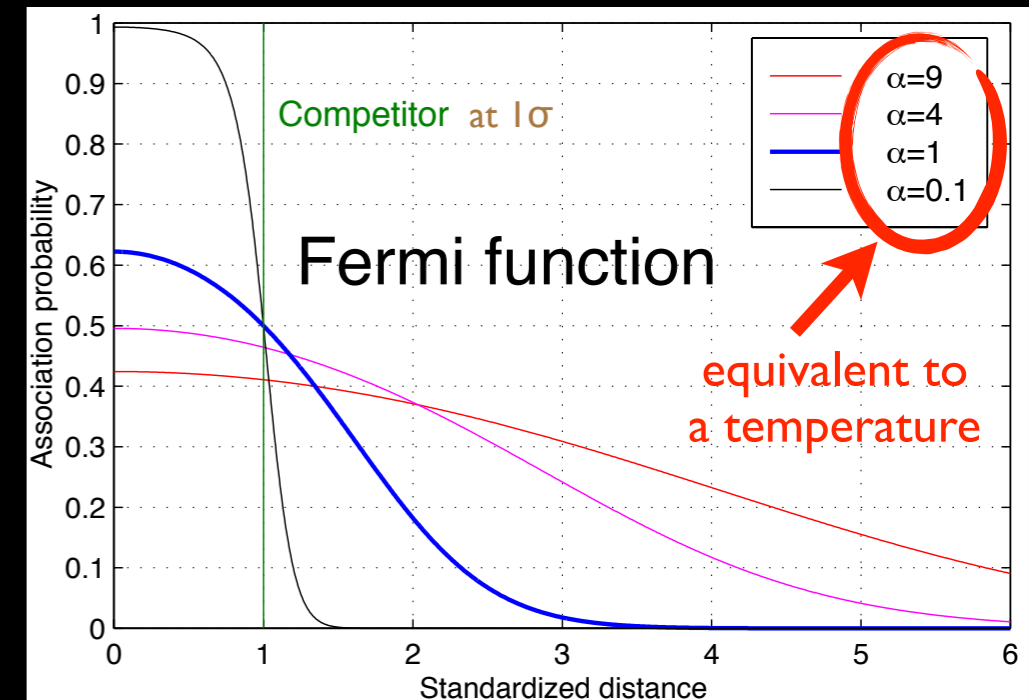
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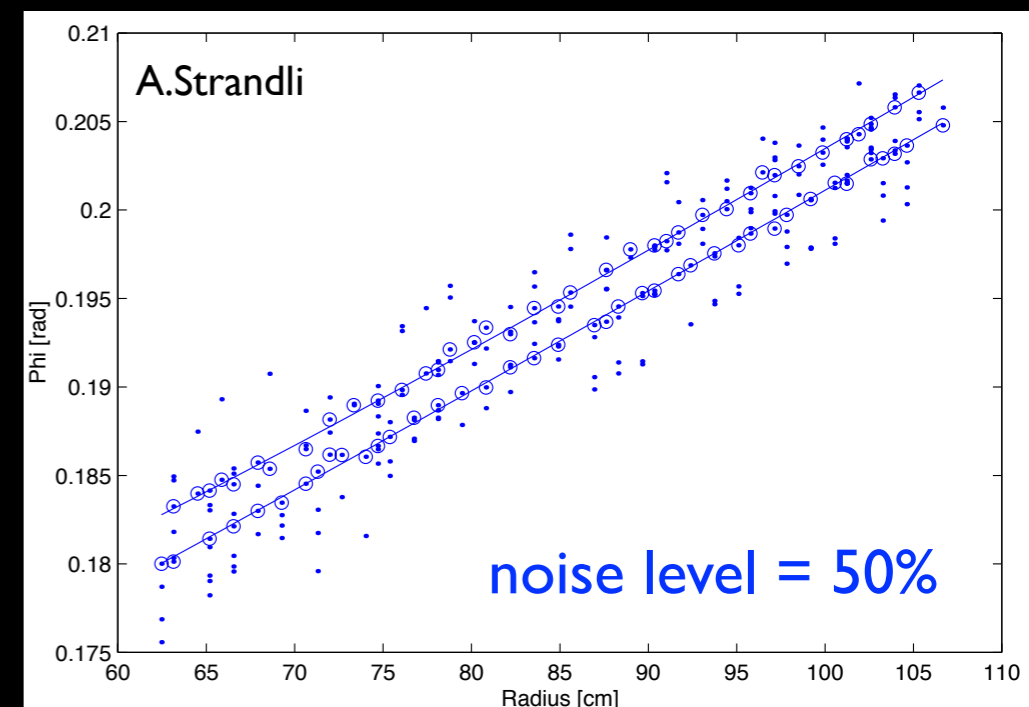
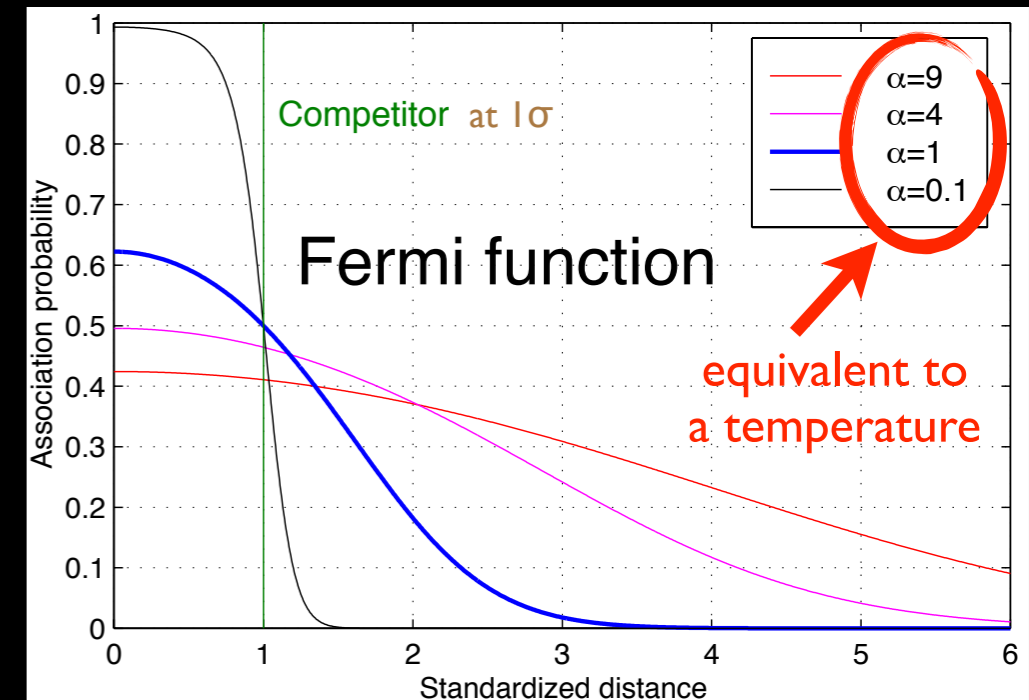
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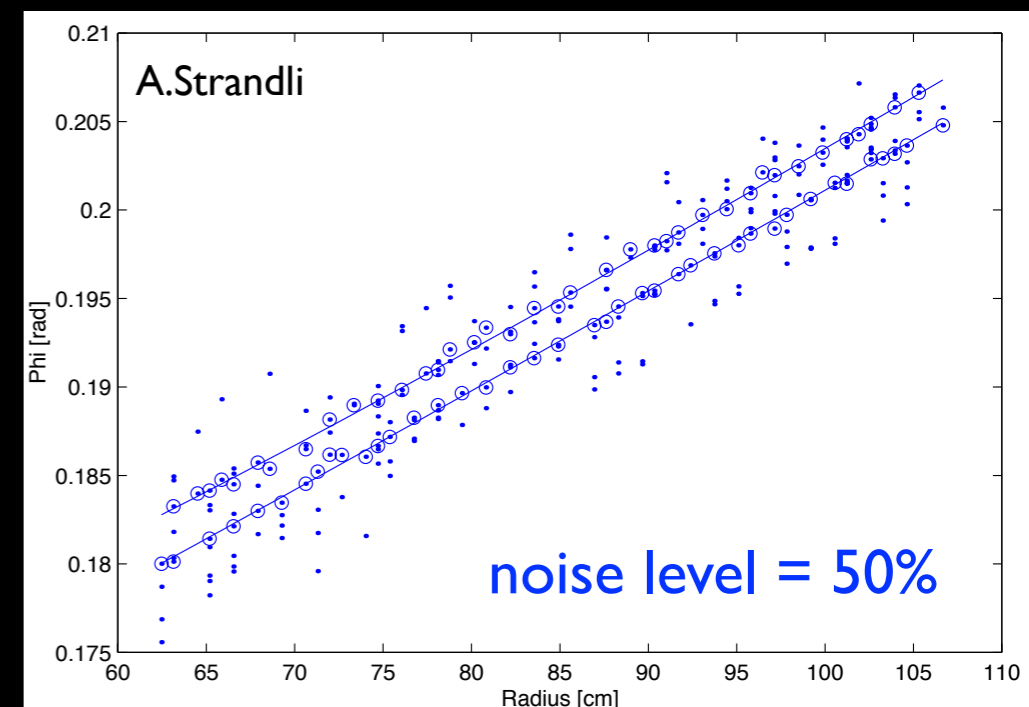
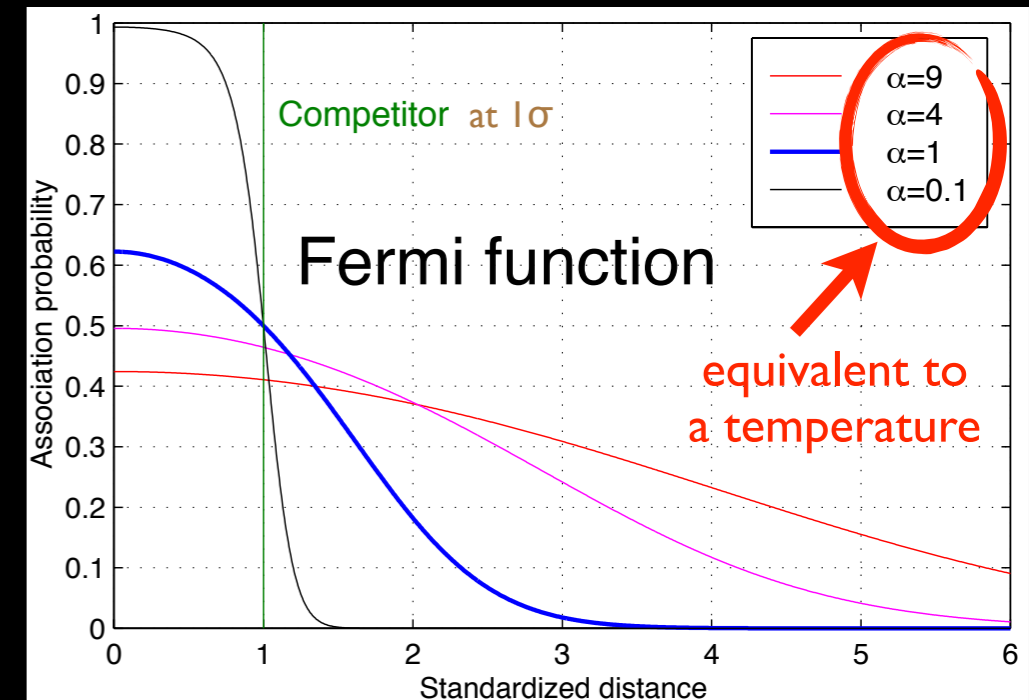
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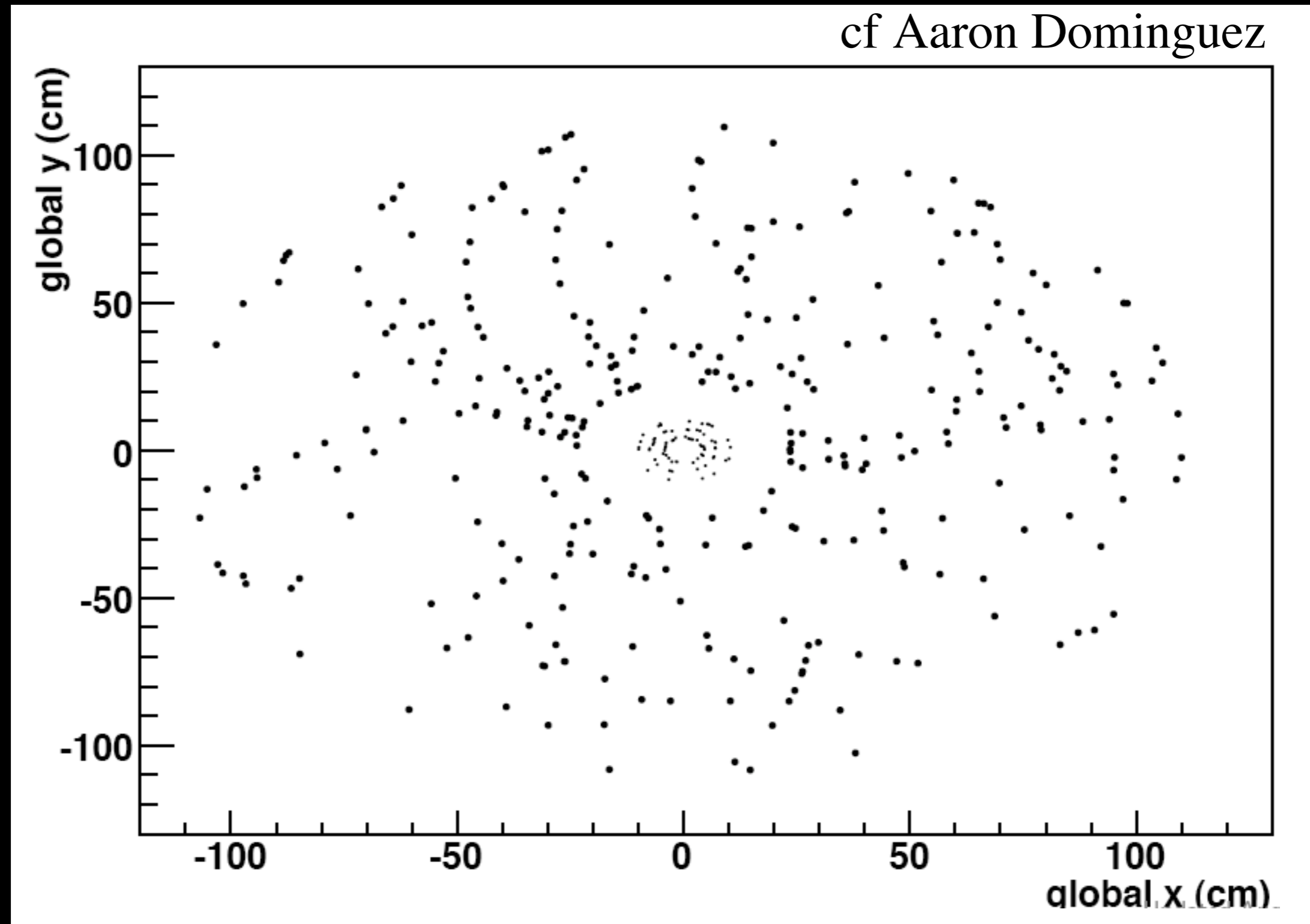
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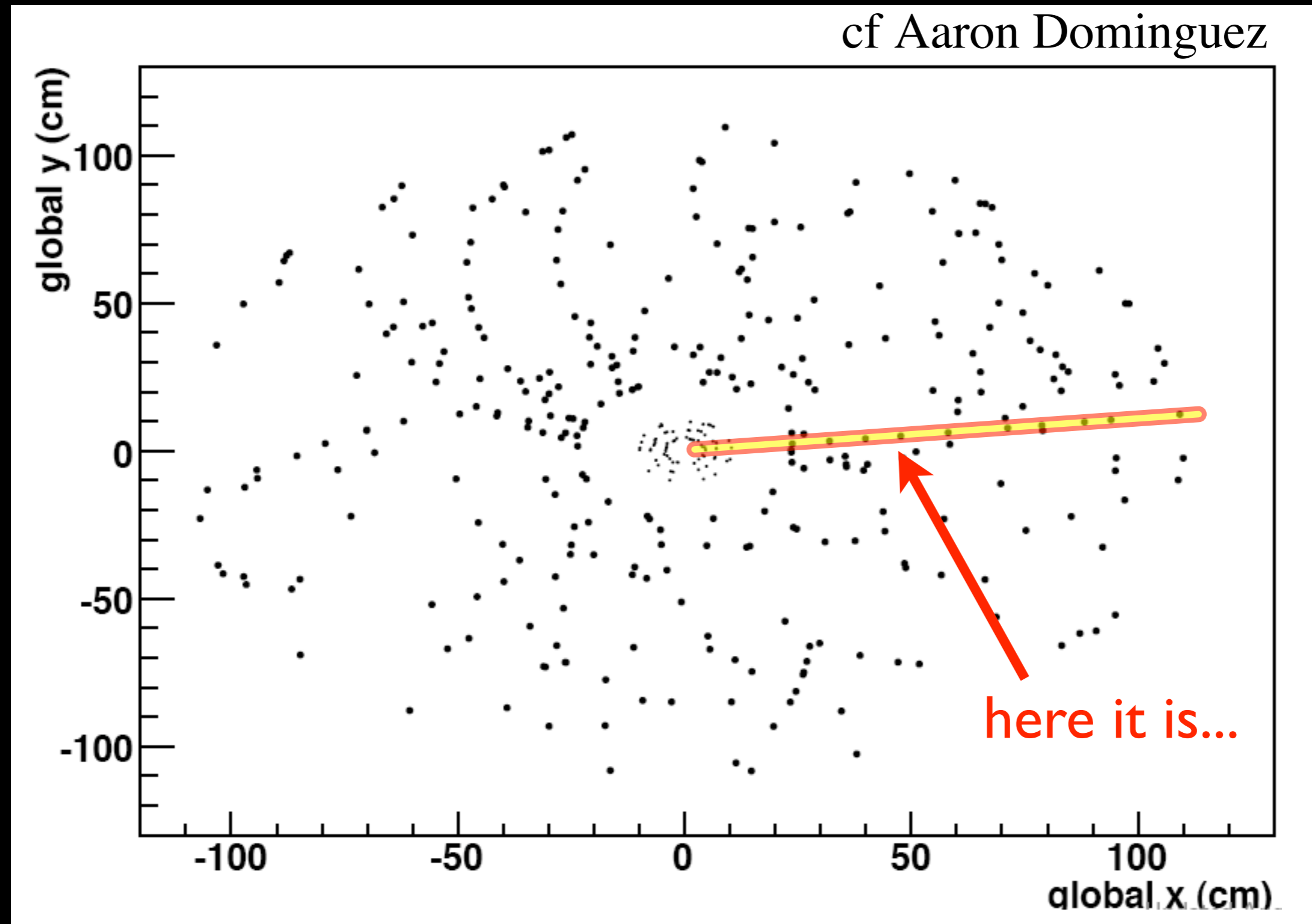
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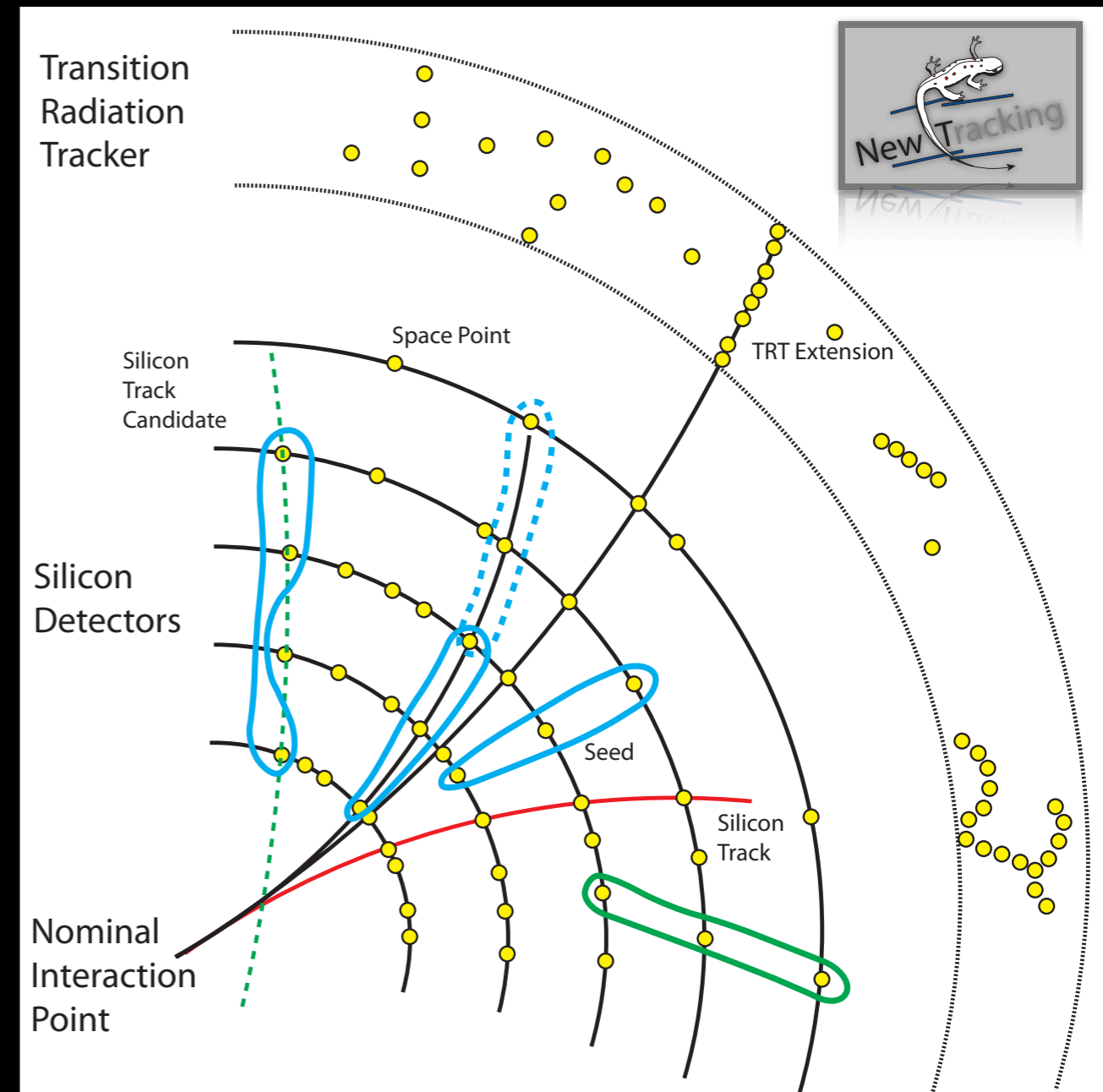
- ➔ identify **track candidates** in event
- ➔ cope with the combinatorial explosion of possible **hit combinations**

- 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
 - Elastic Net, Cellular Automaton ...
(will not discuss the latter)

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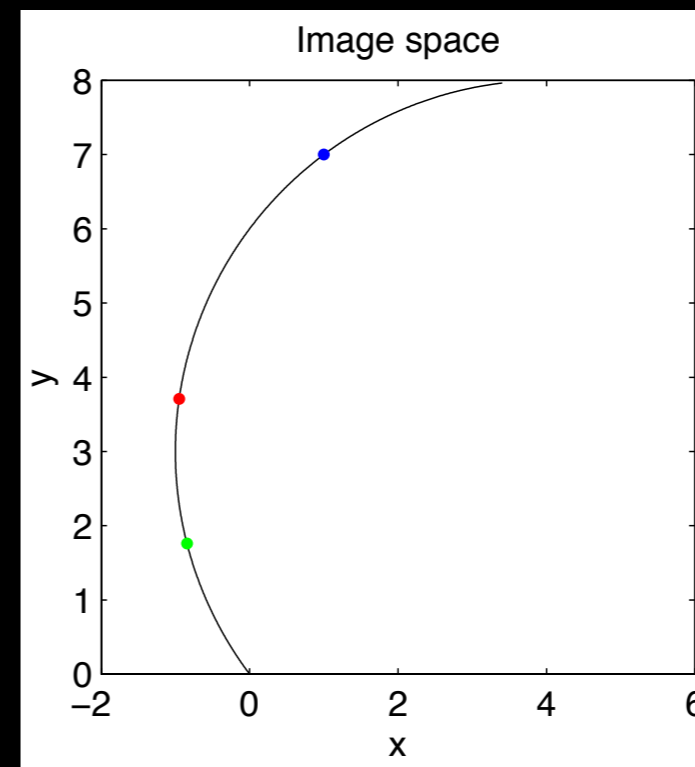
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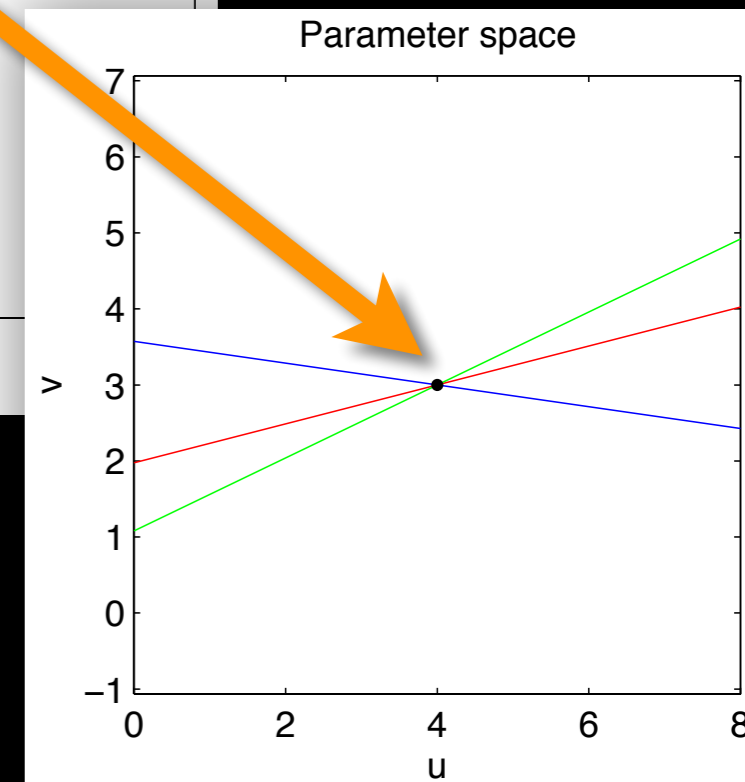
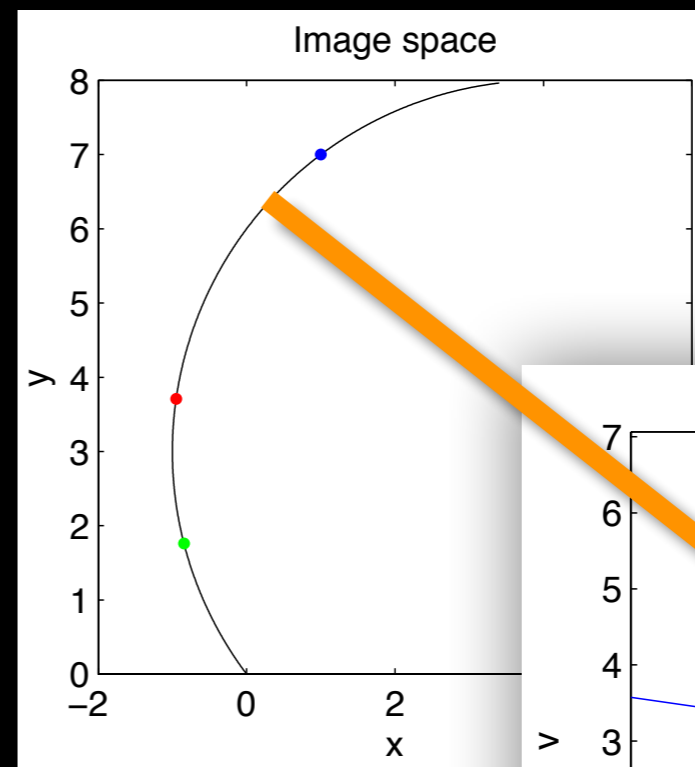
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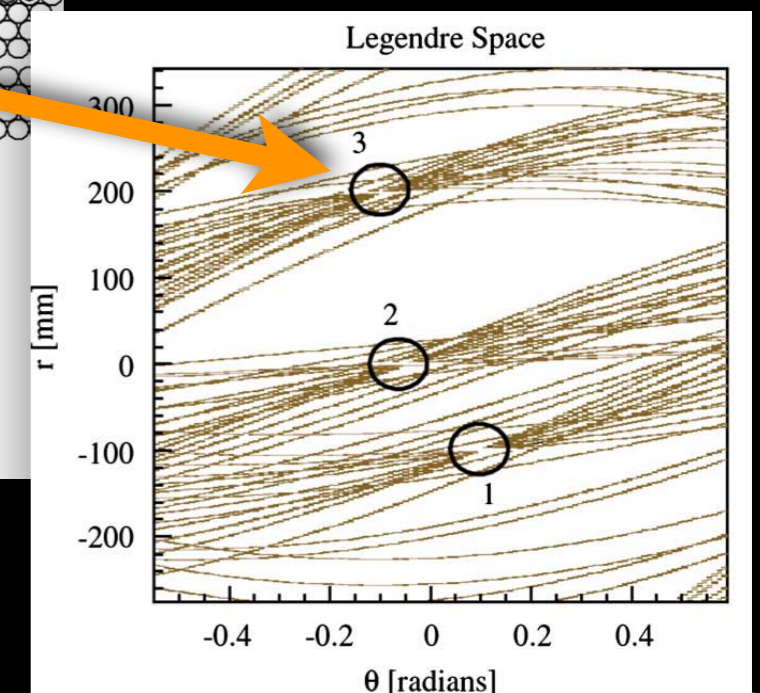
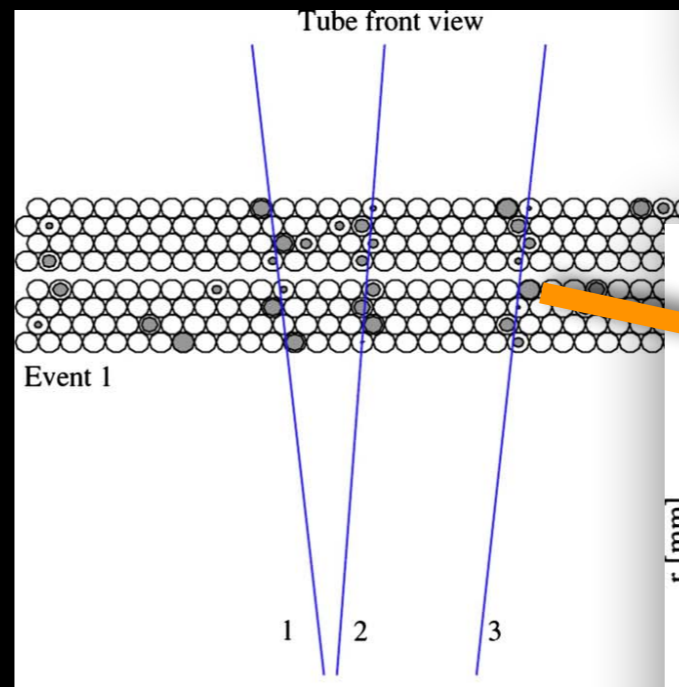
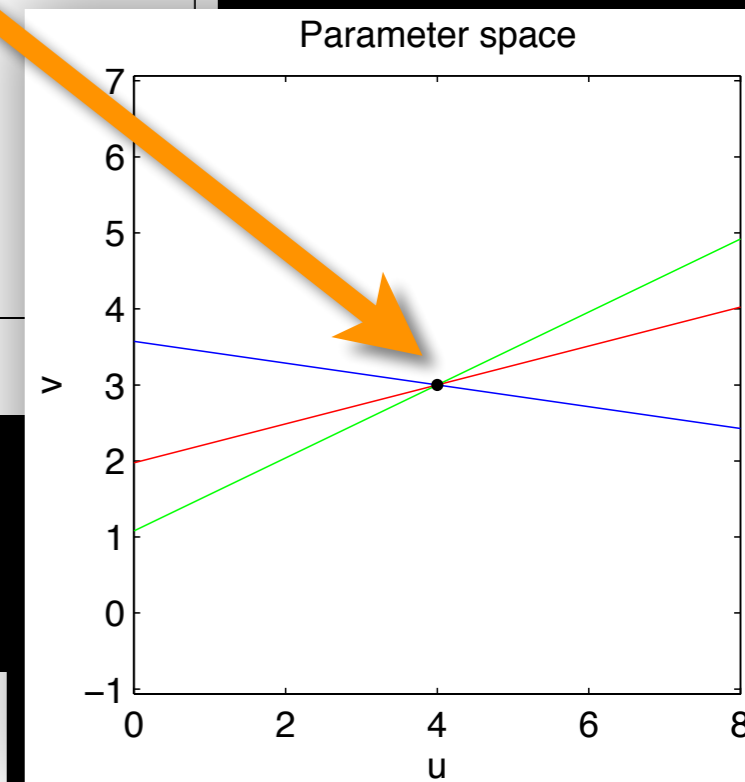
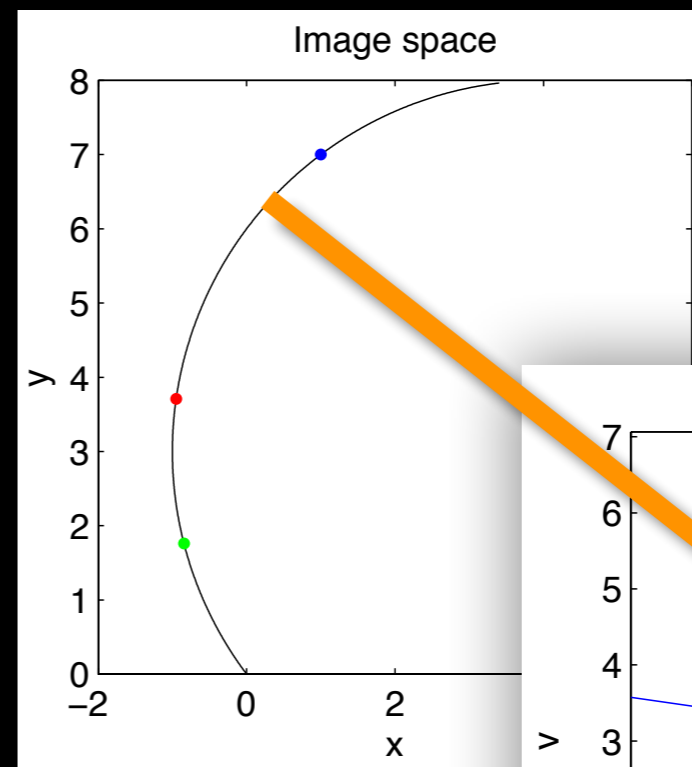
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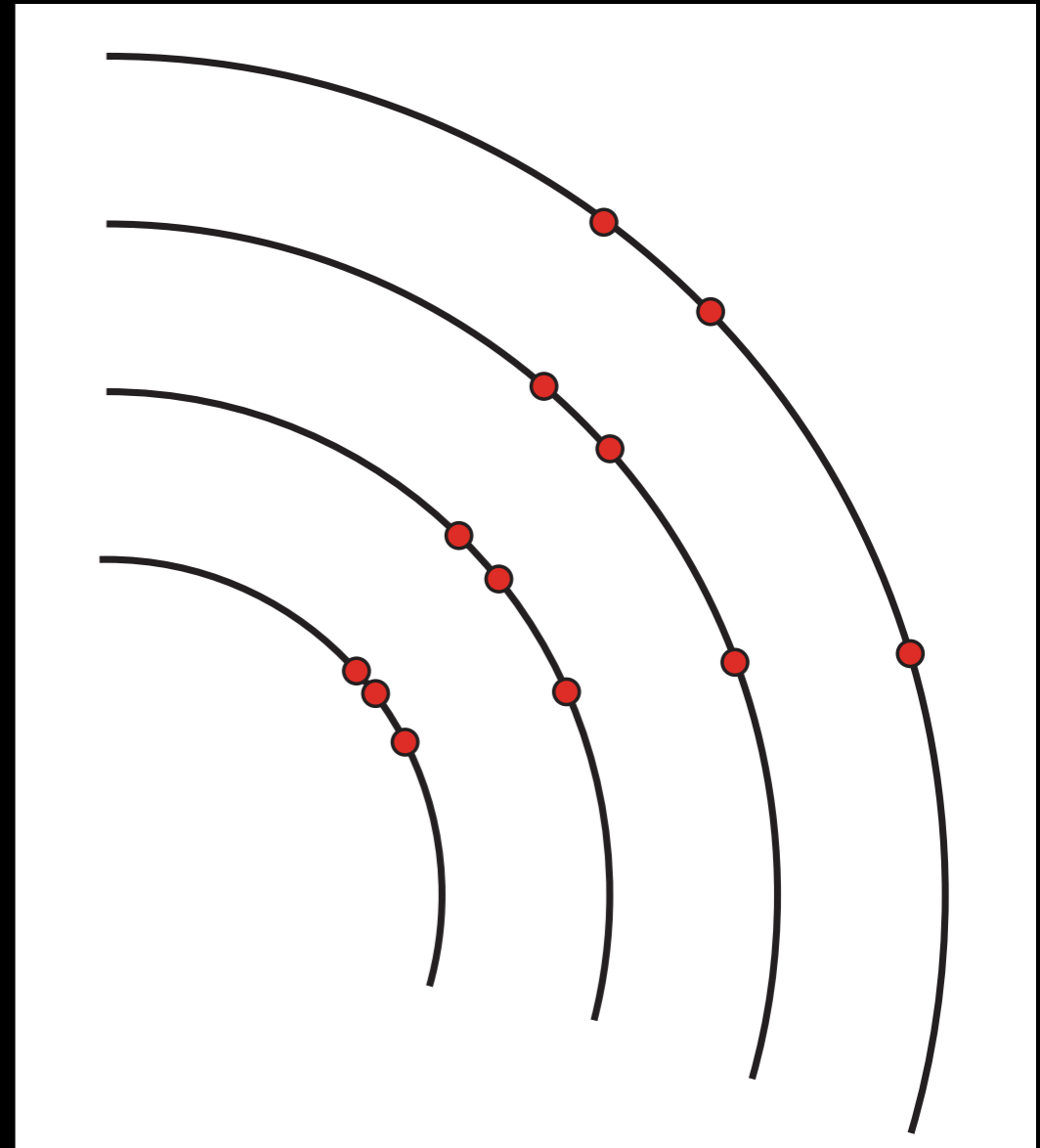
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- used for track finding in drift tubes
- drift radius is transformed into sine-curves in **Legendre space**
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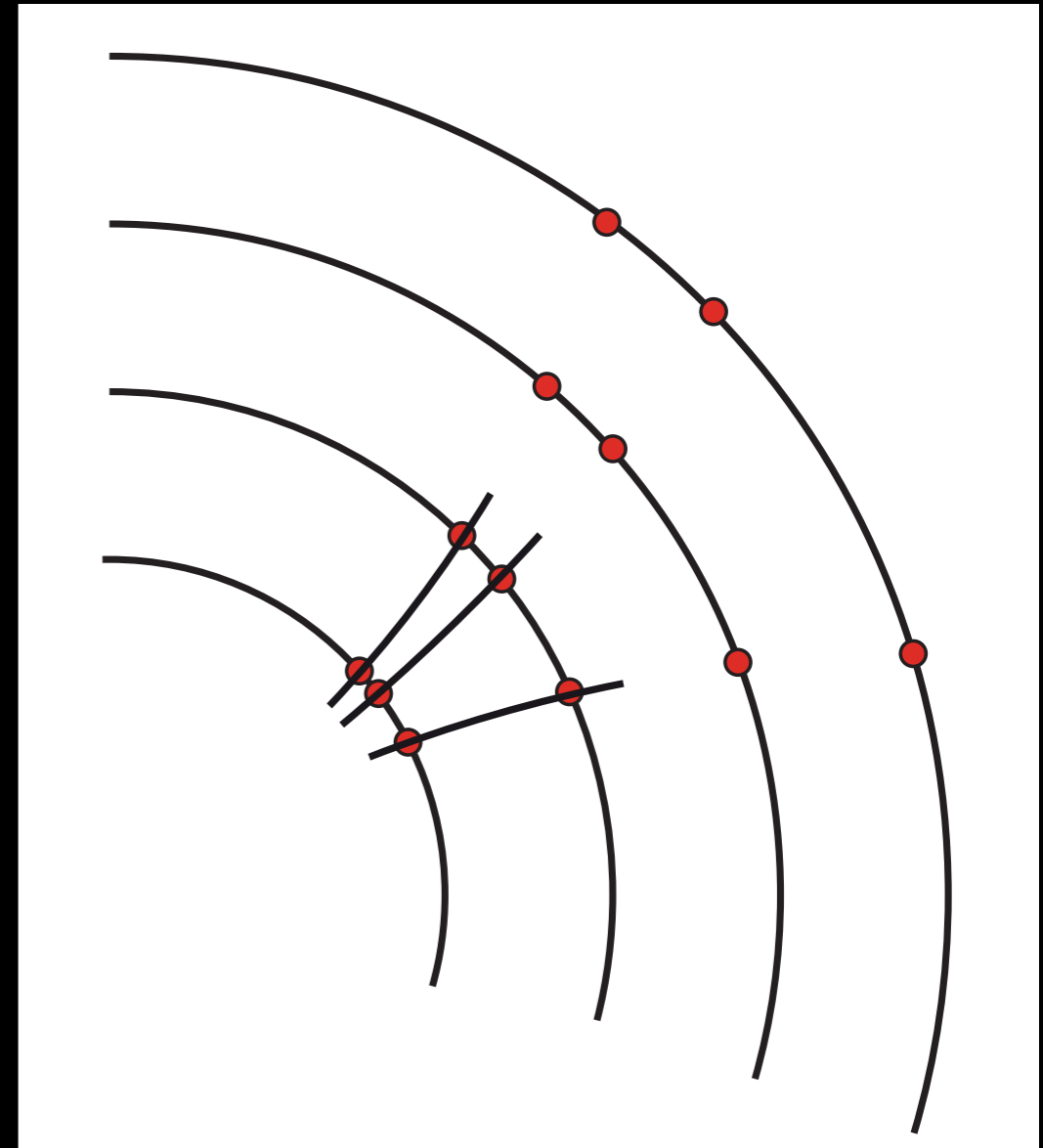
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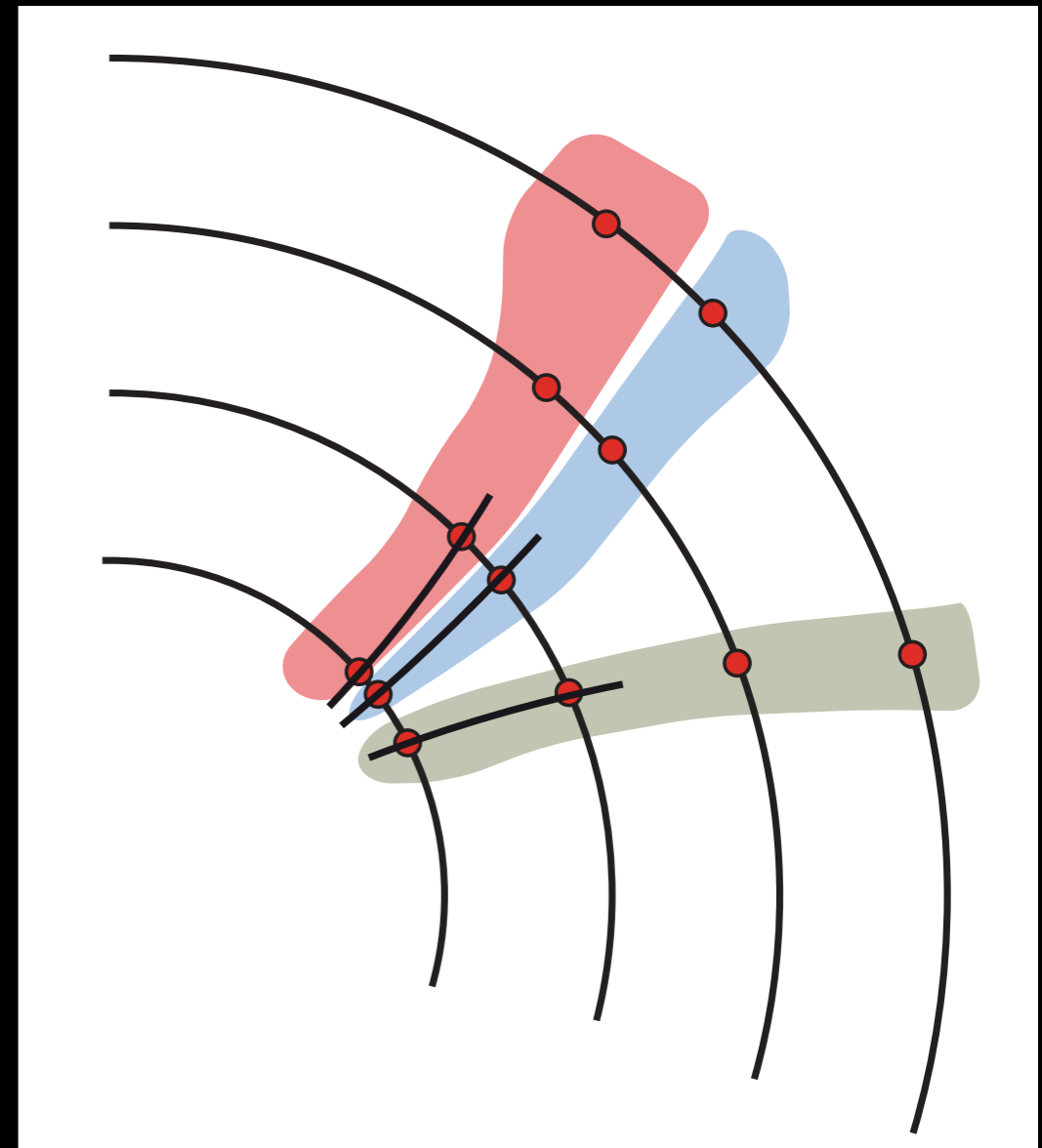
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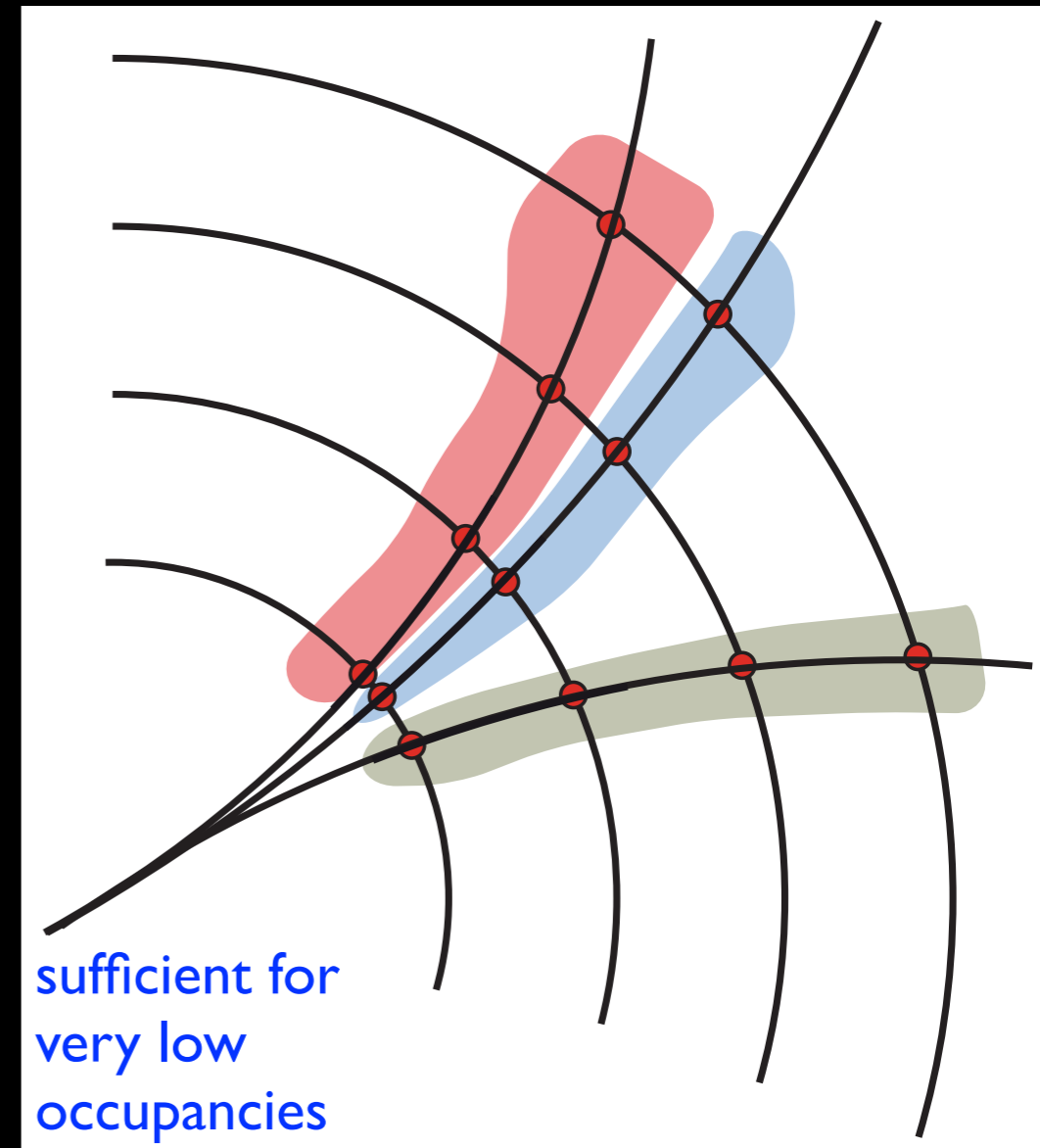
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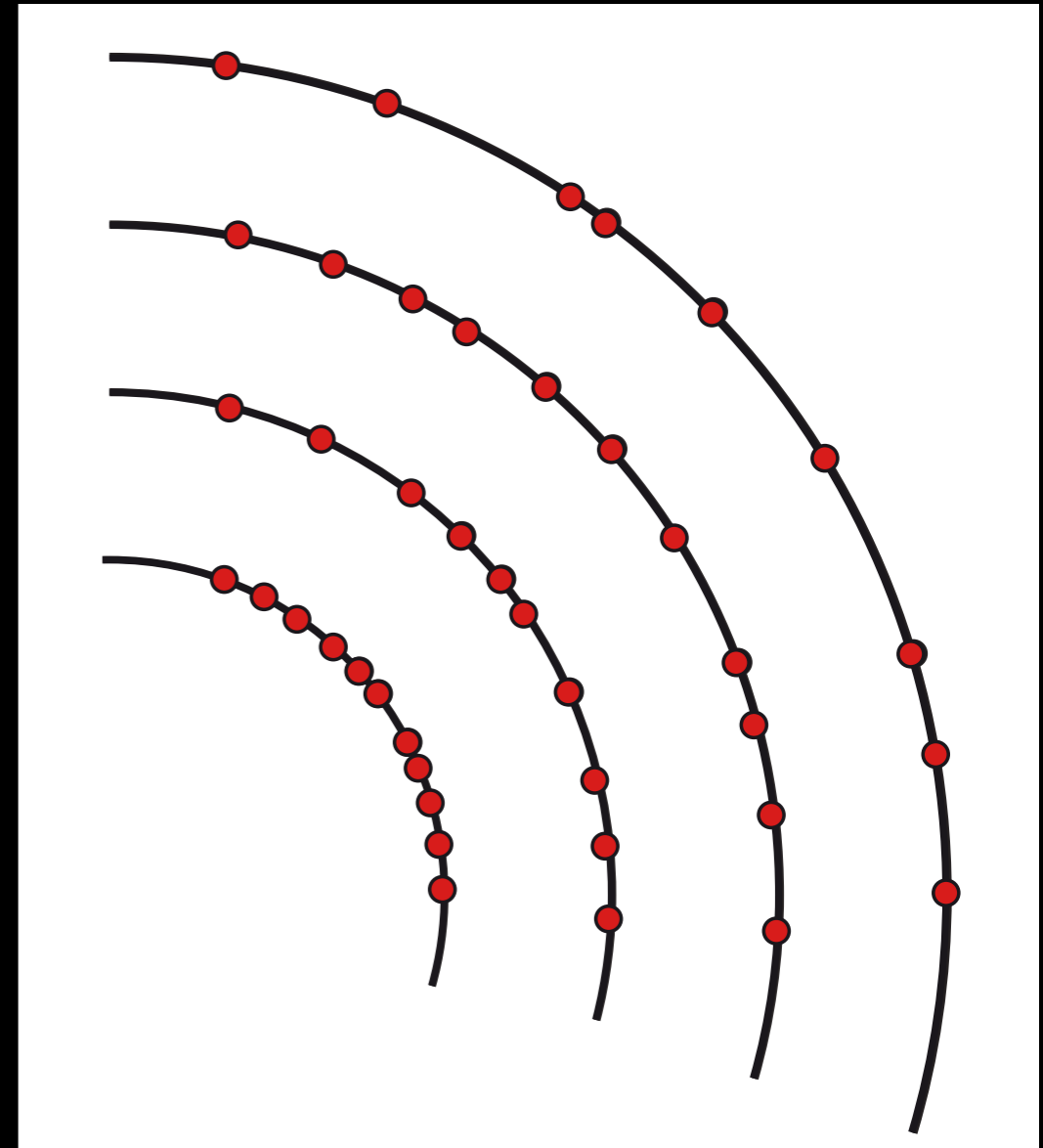
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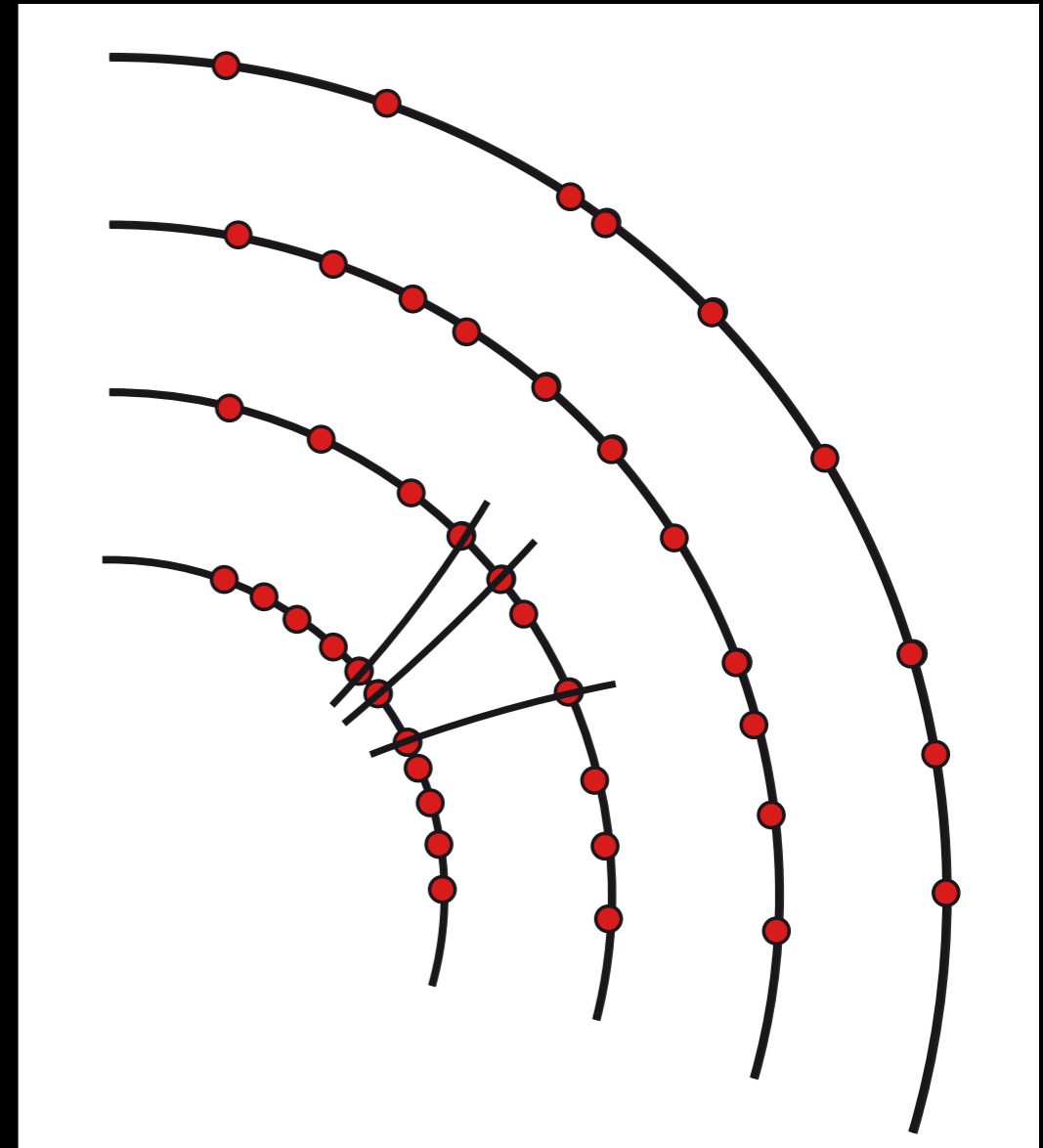
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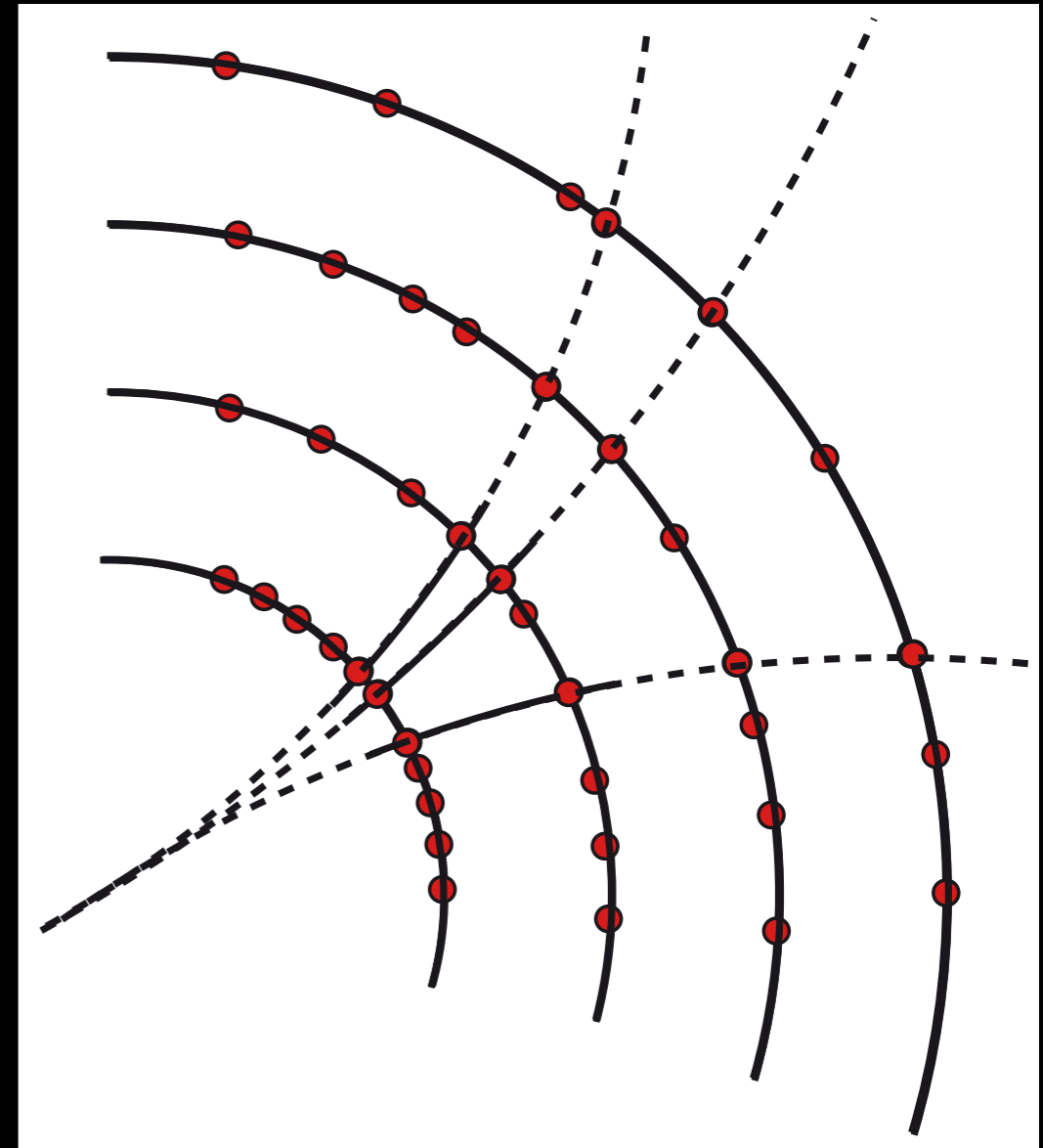
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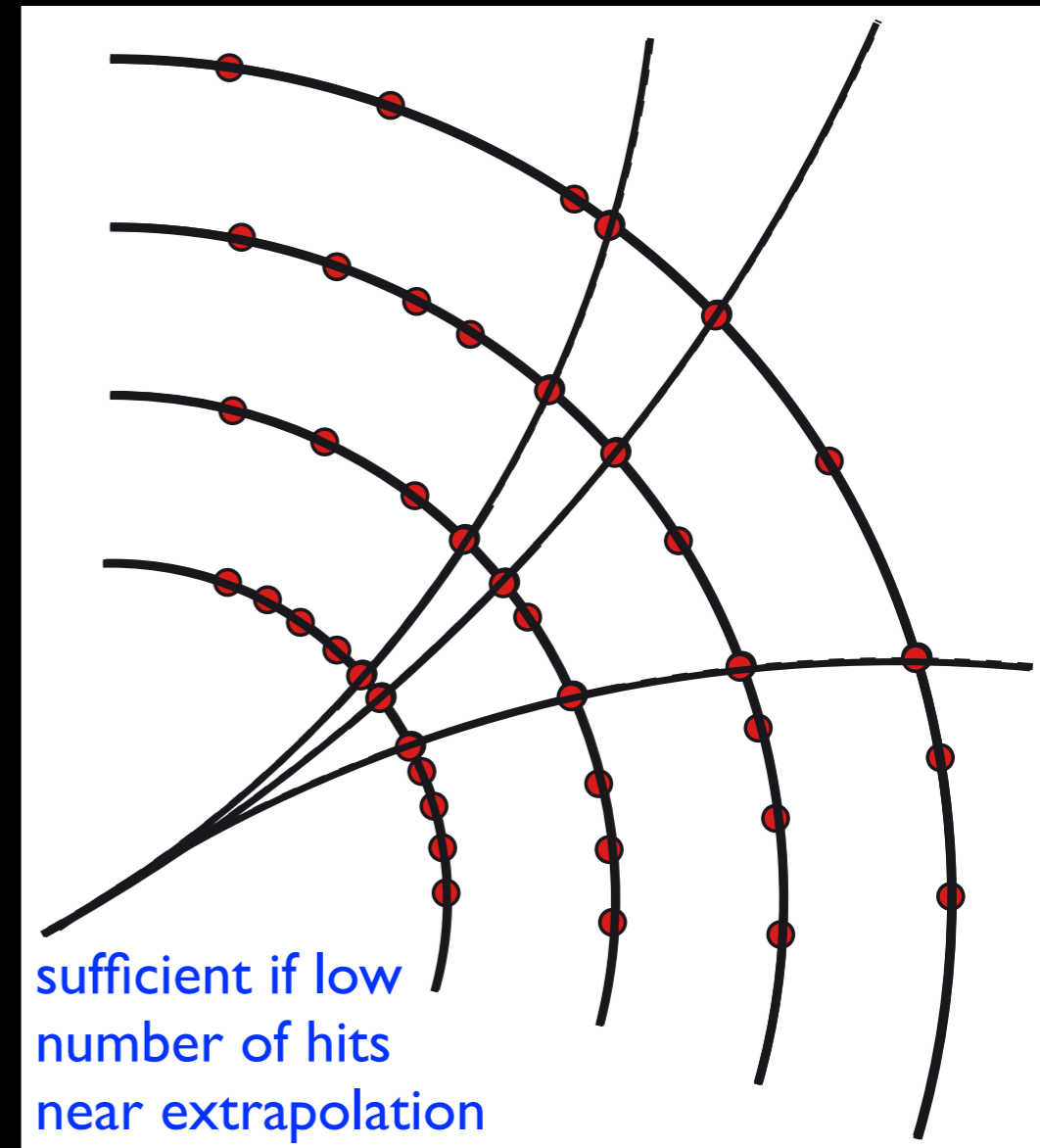
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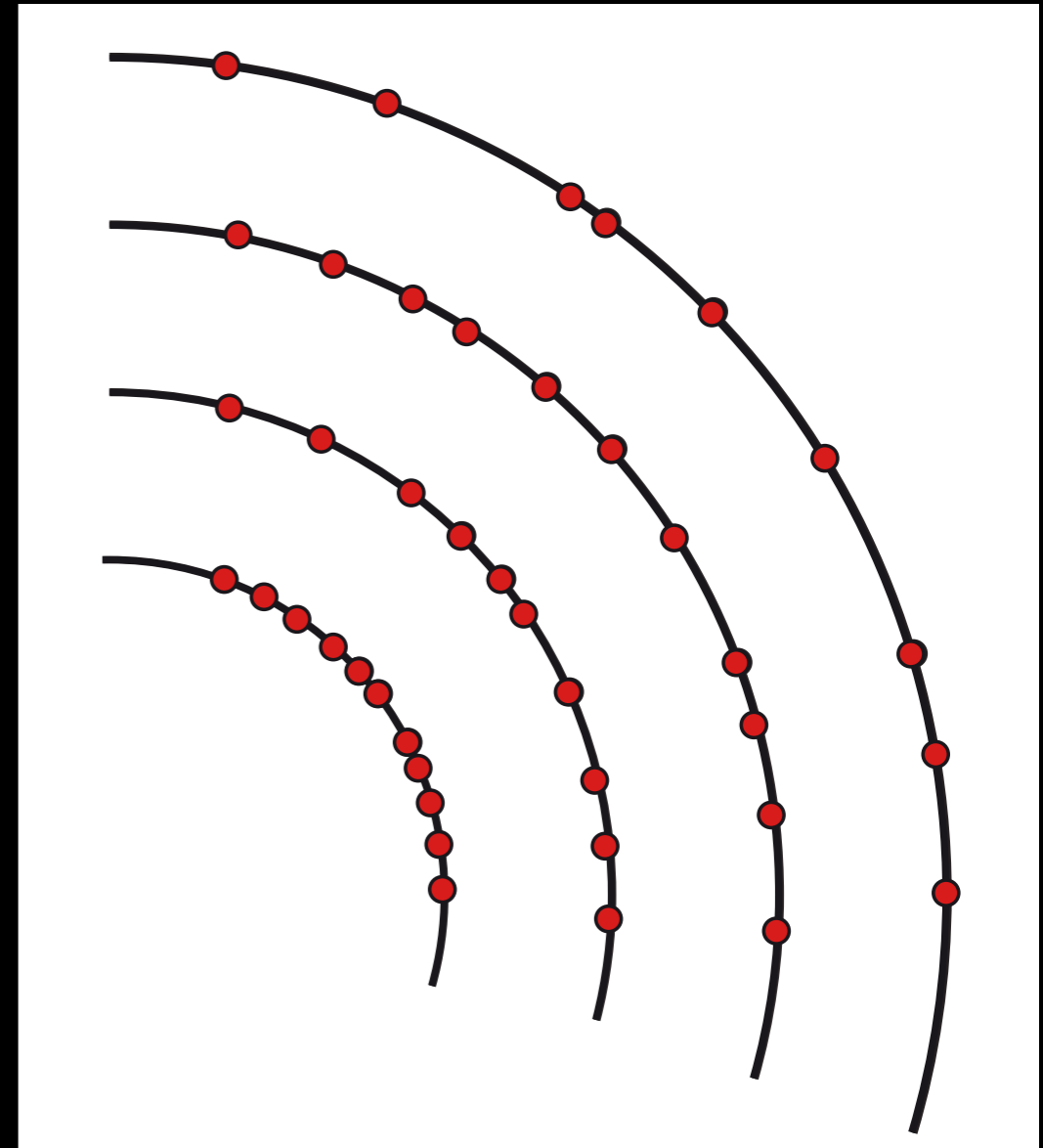
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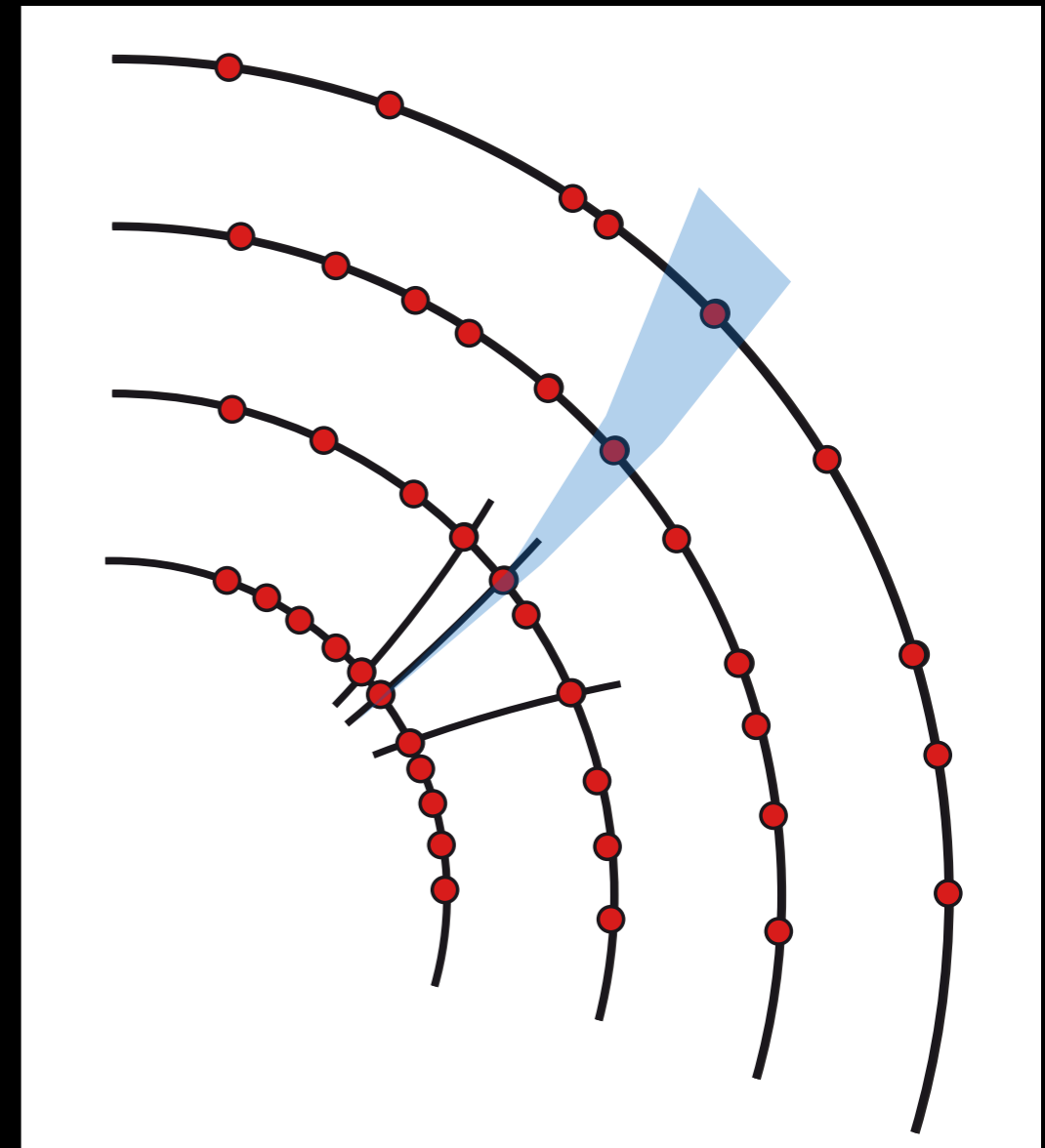
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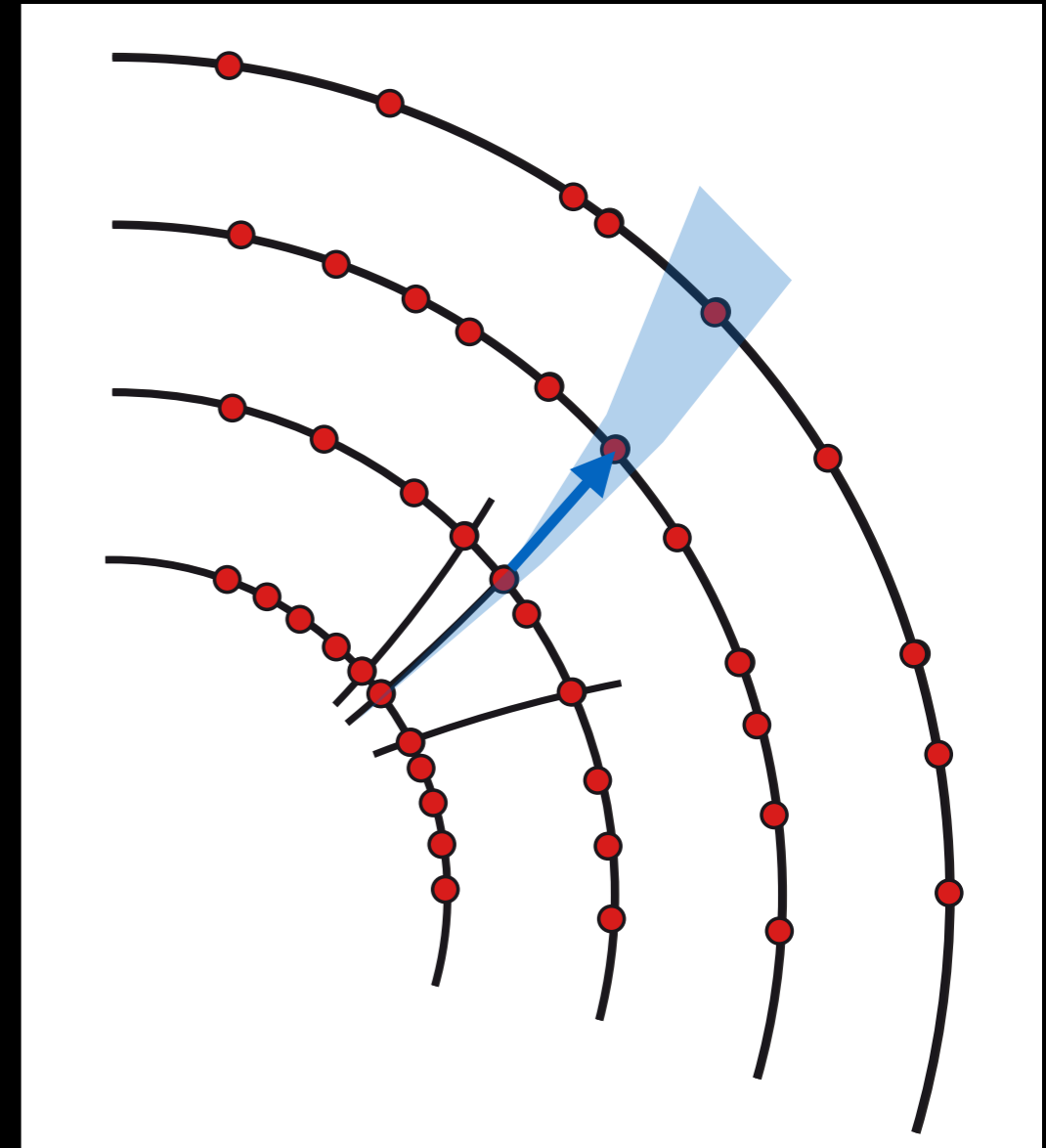
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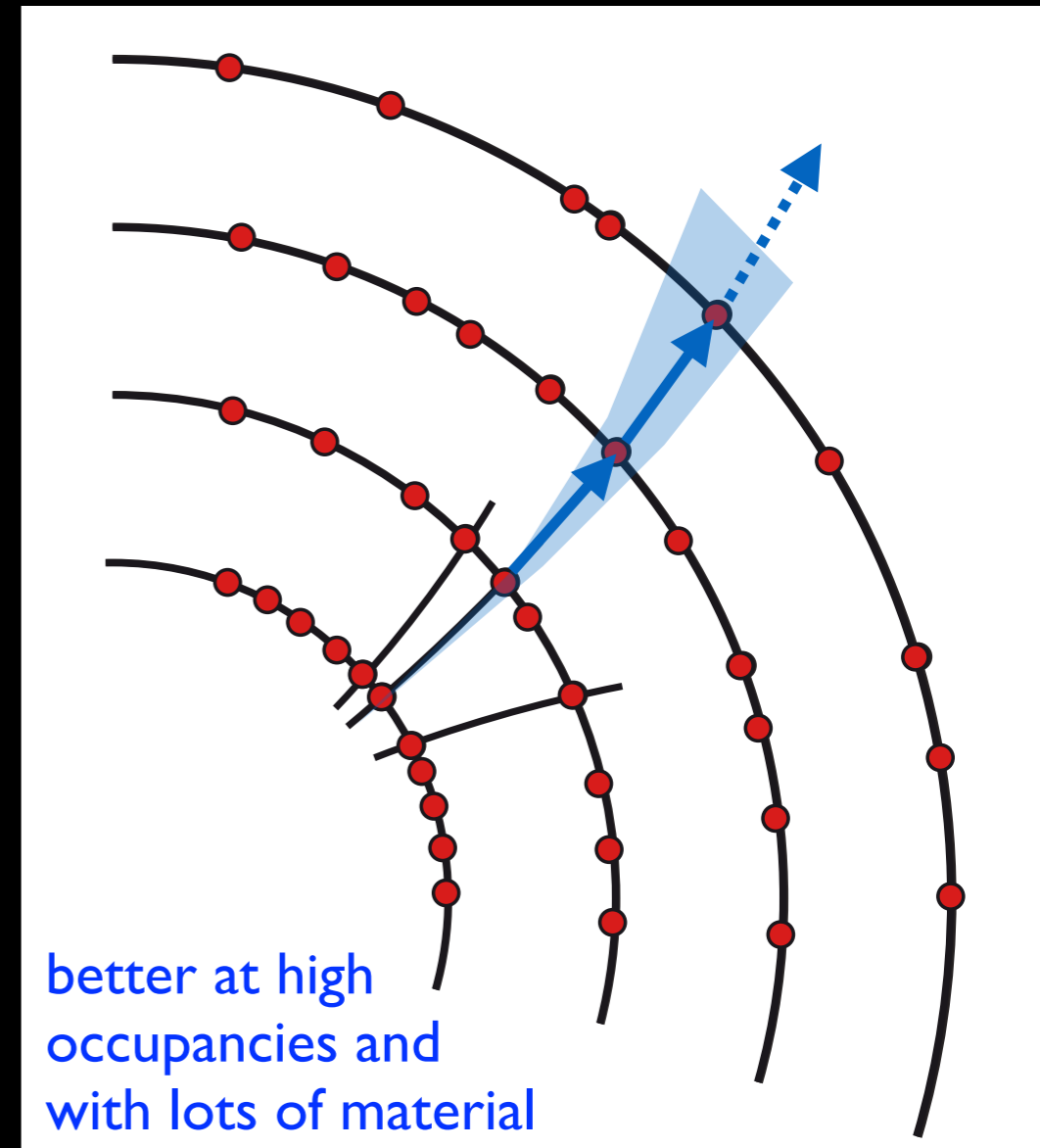
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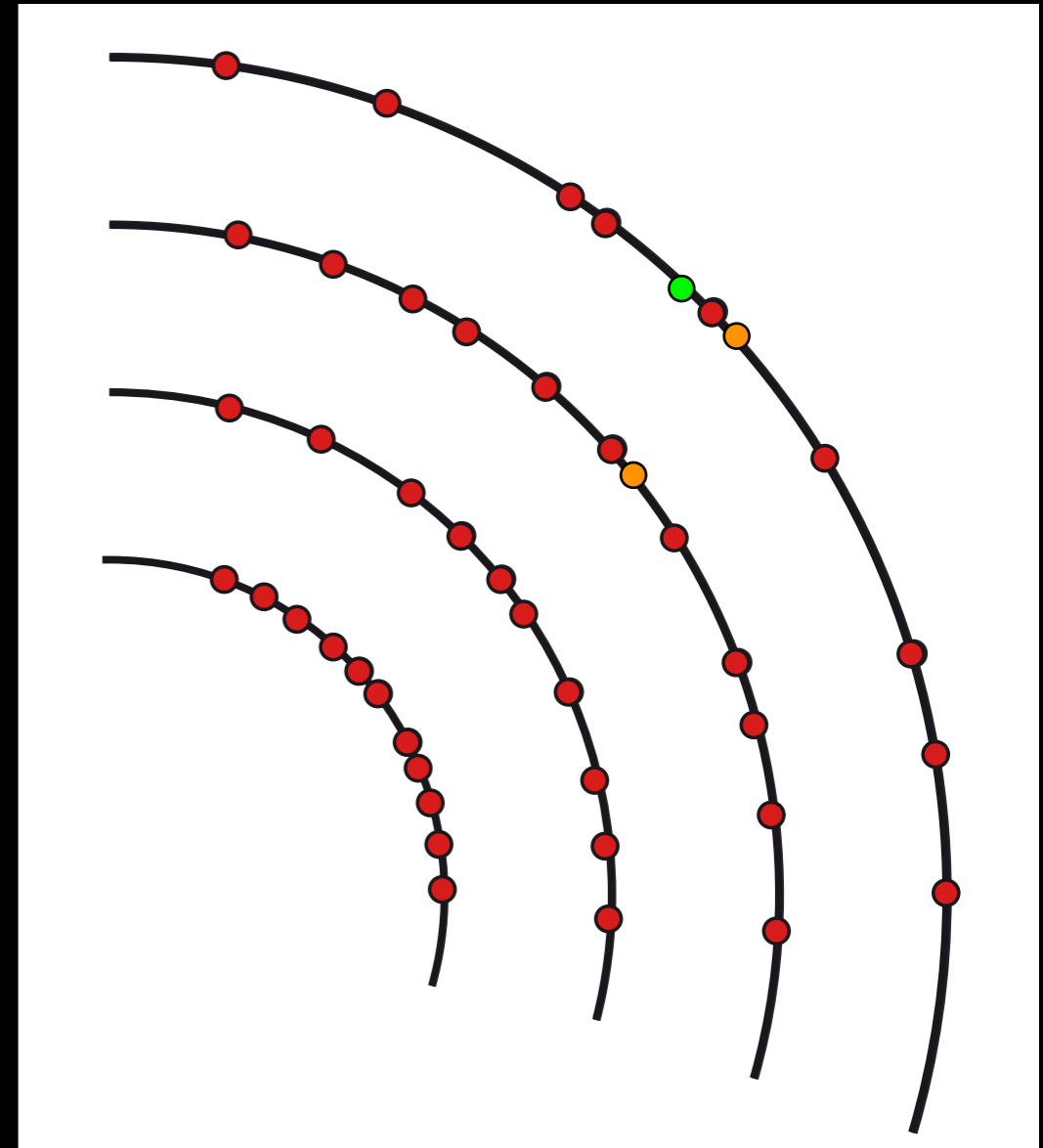
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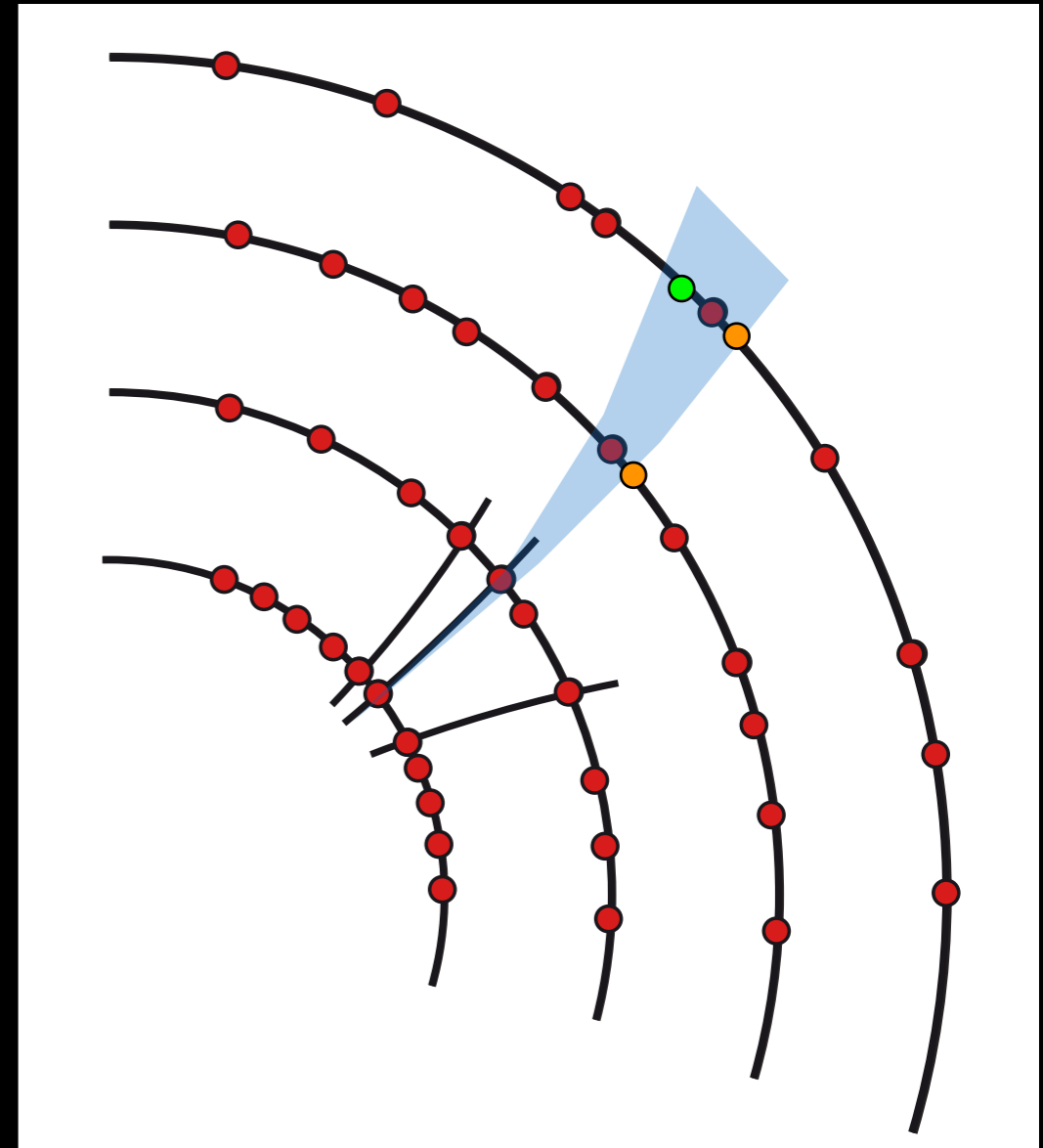
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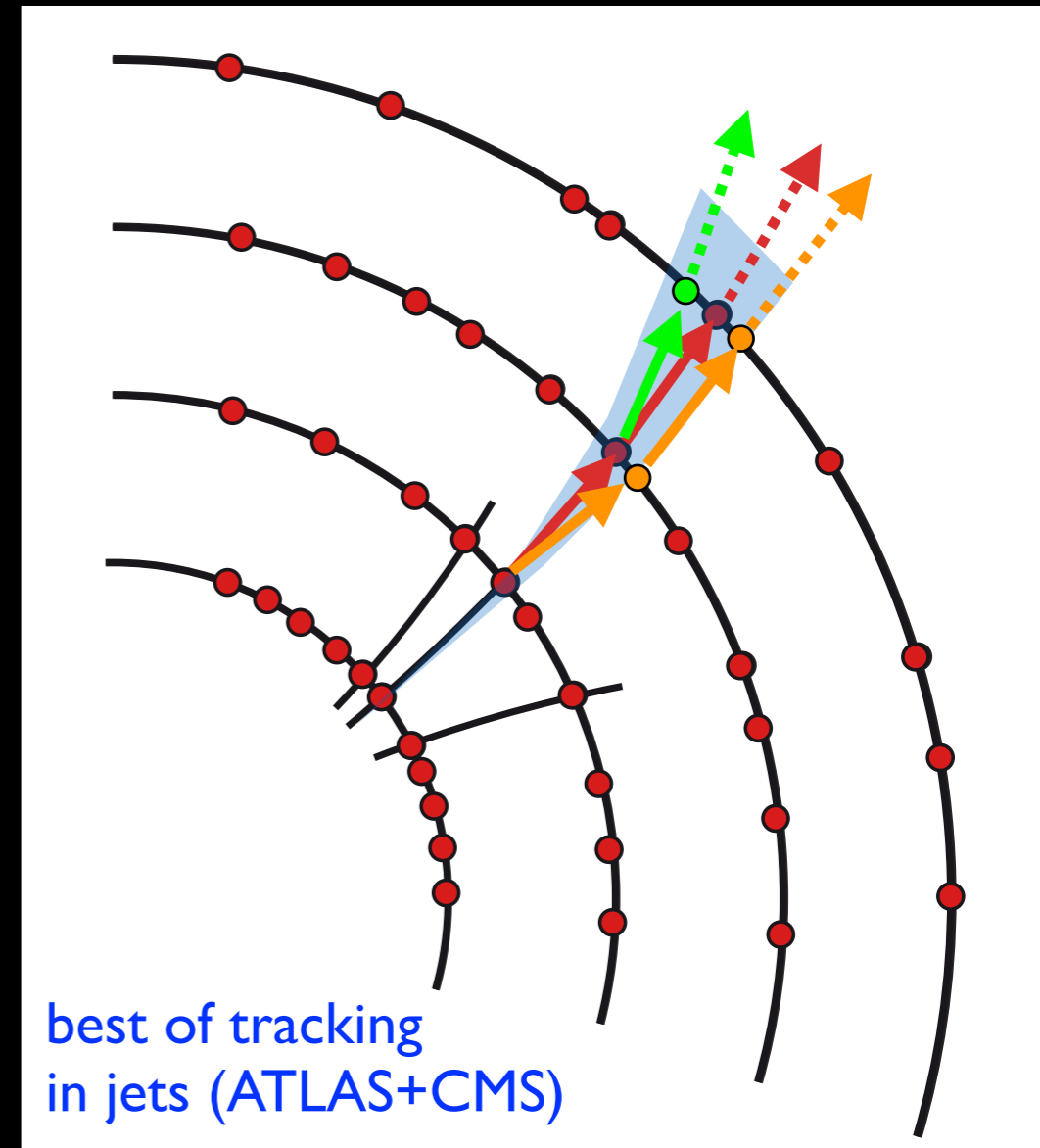
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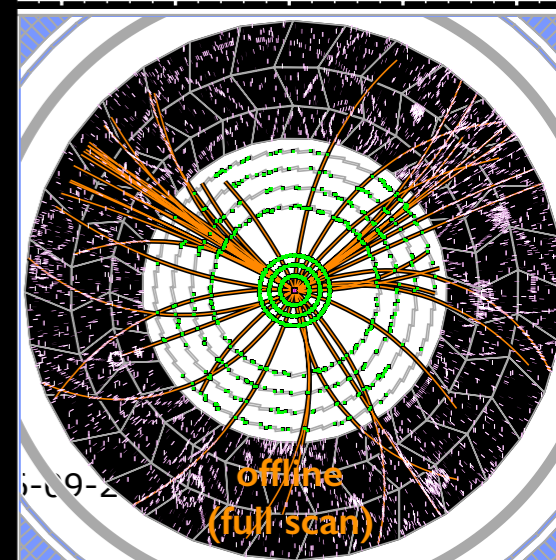
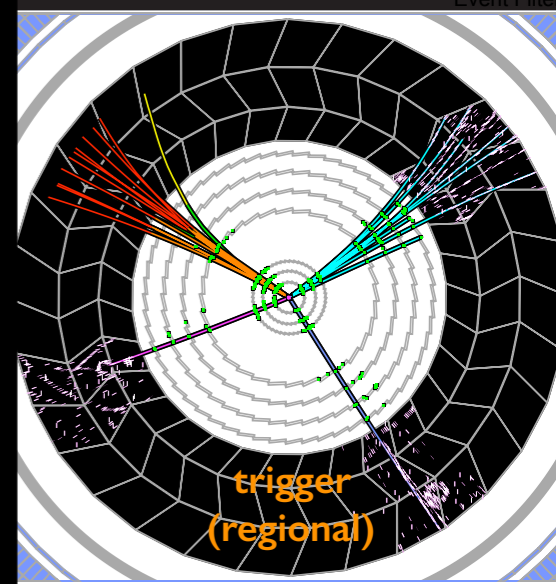
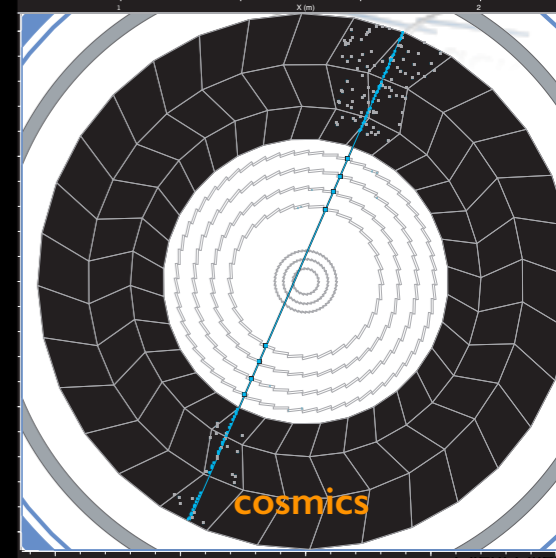
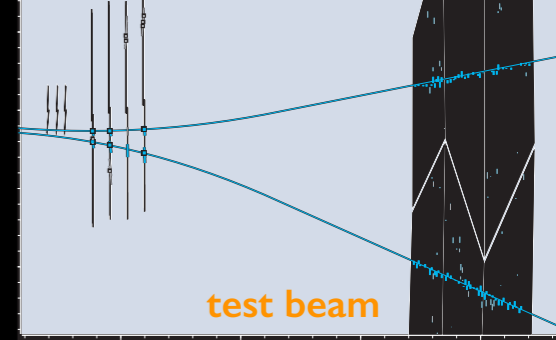


The ATLAS Track Reconstruction



... and in Practice ?

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 - ➔ physics/performance requirements
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- even for same detector setup one looks at different **types of events**:
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 - ➔ cosmics
 - ➔ trigger (regional)
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 - ➔ usually apply a **combination of different techniques**
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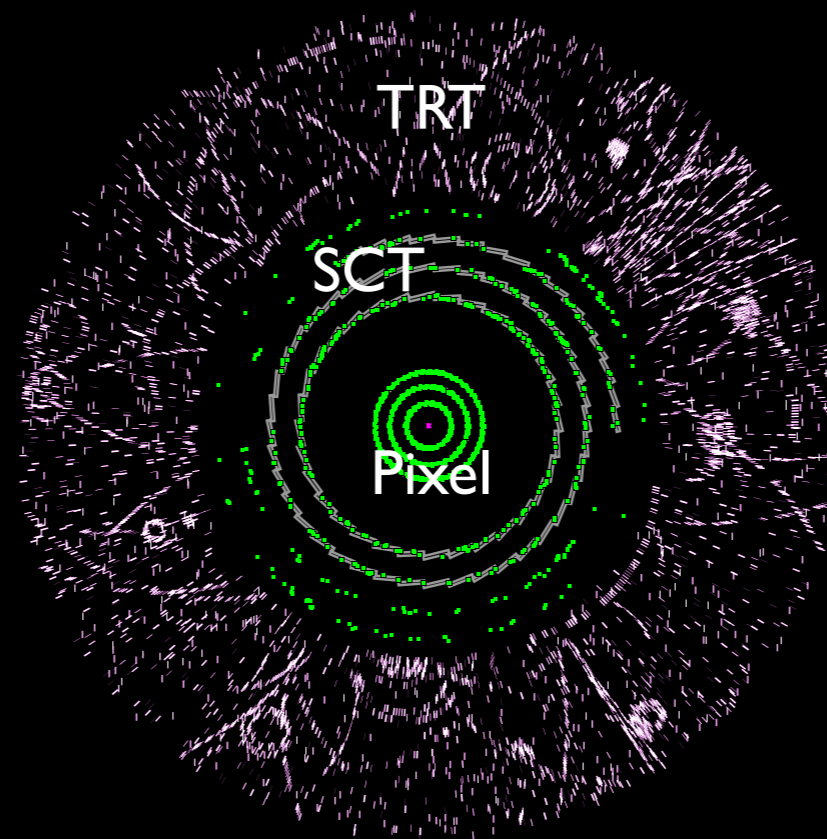




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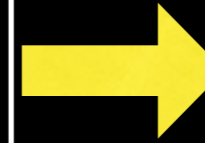




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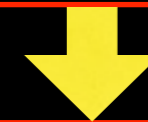
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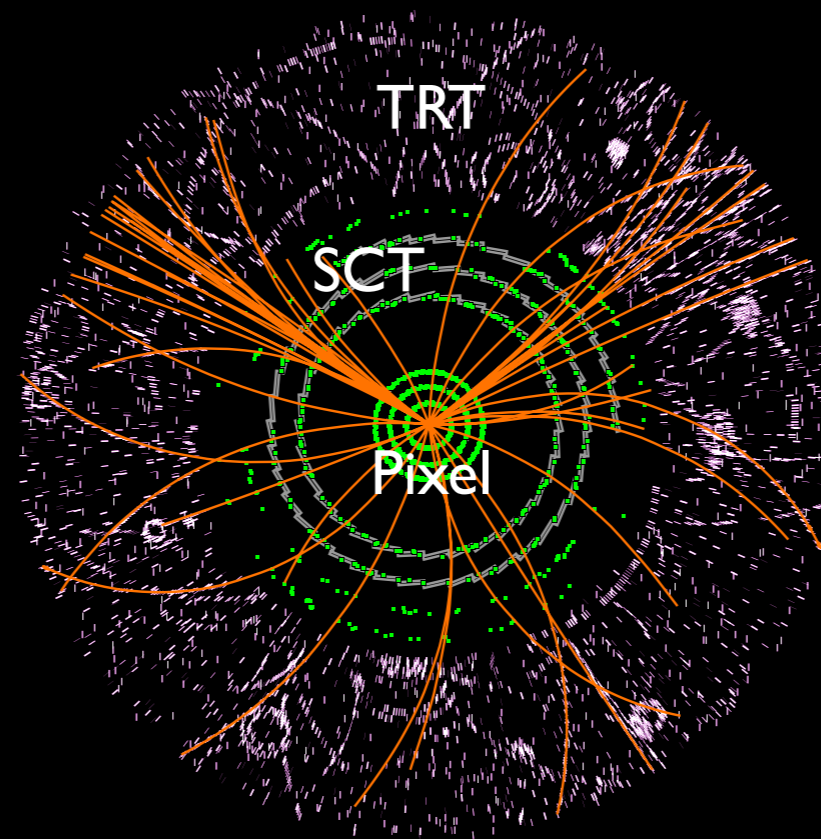
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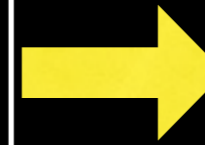




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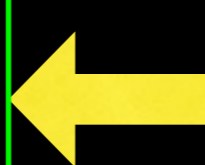
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TRT segment finder

- ➔ on remaining drift circles
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TRT seeded finder

- ➔ from TRT into SCT+Pixels
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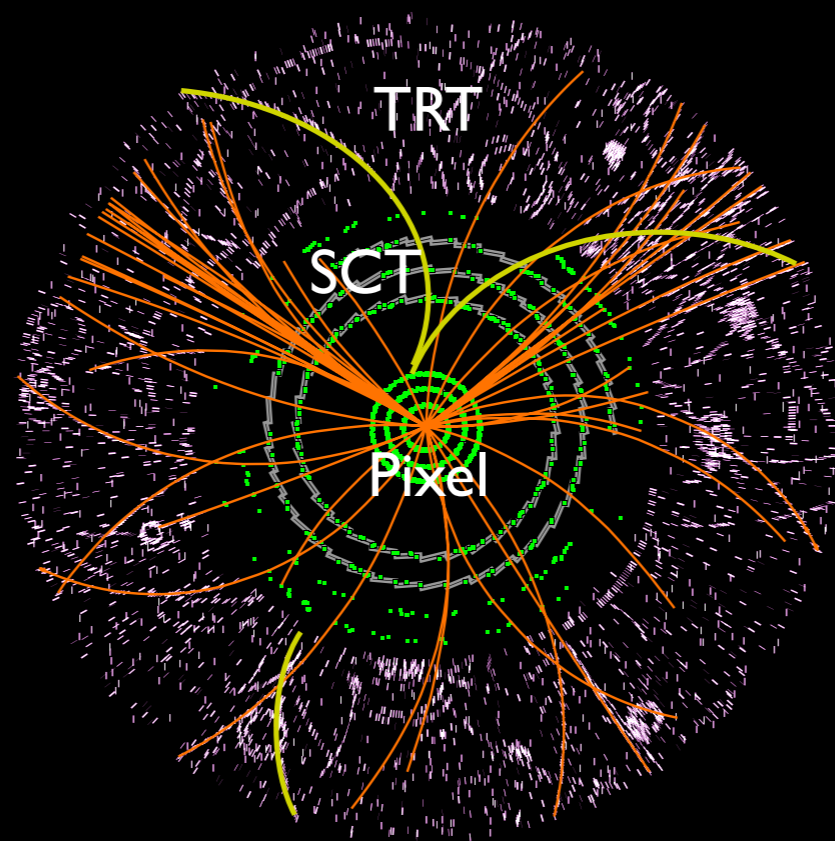
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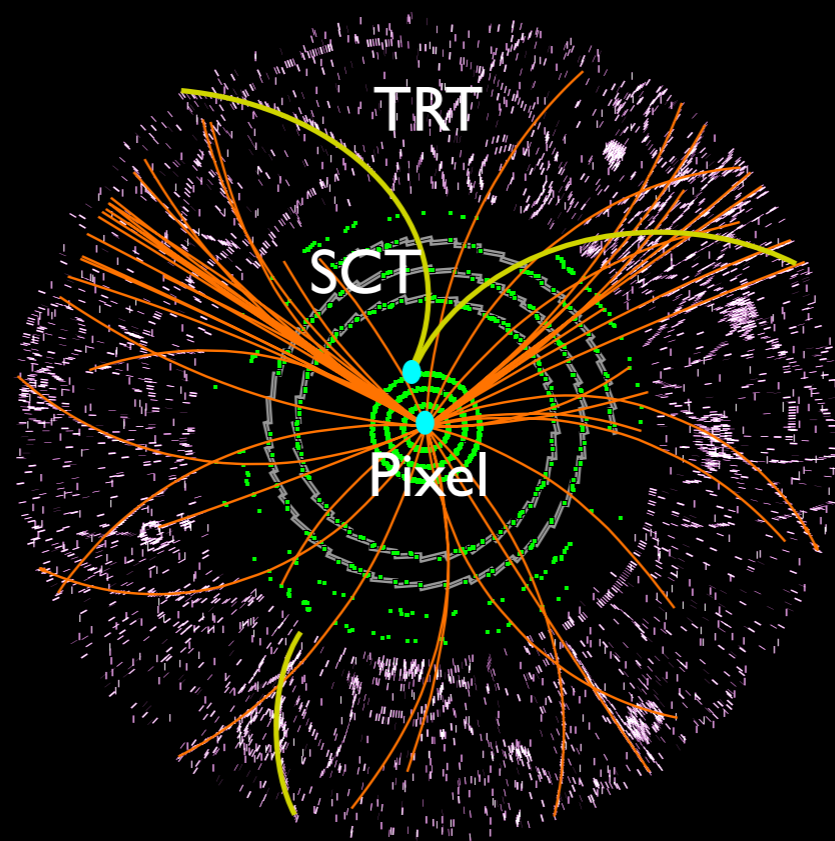
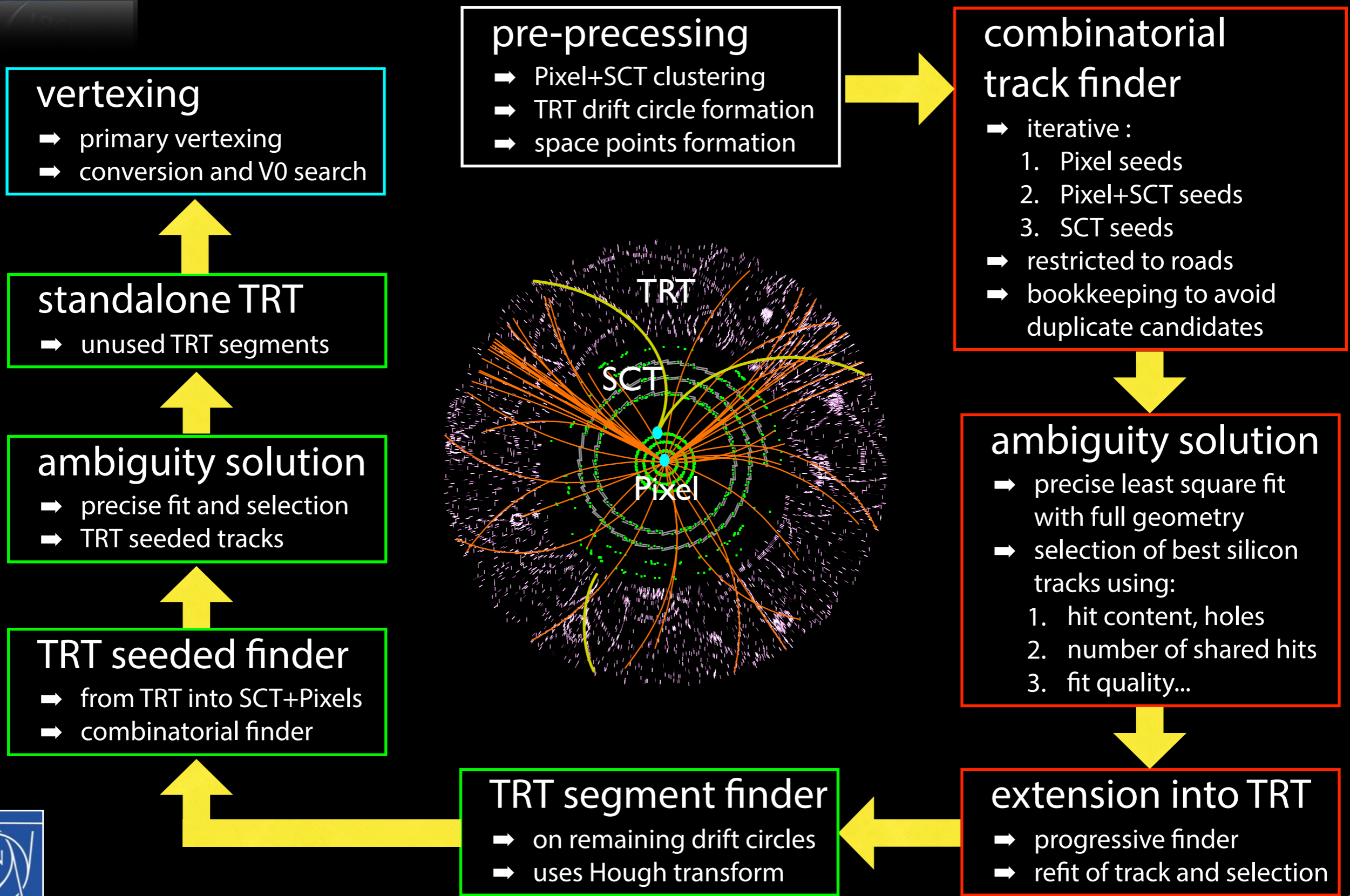
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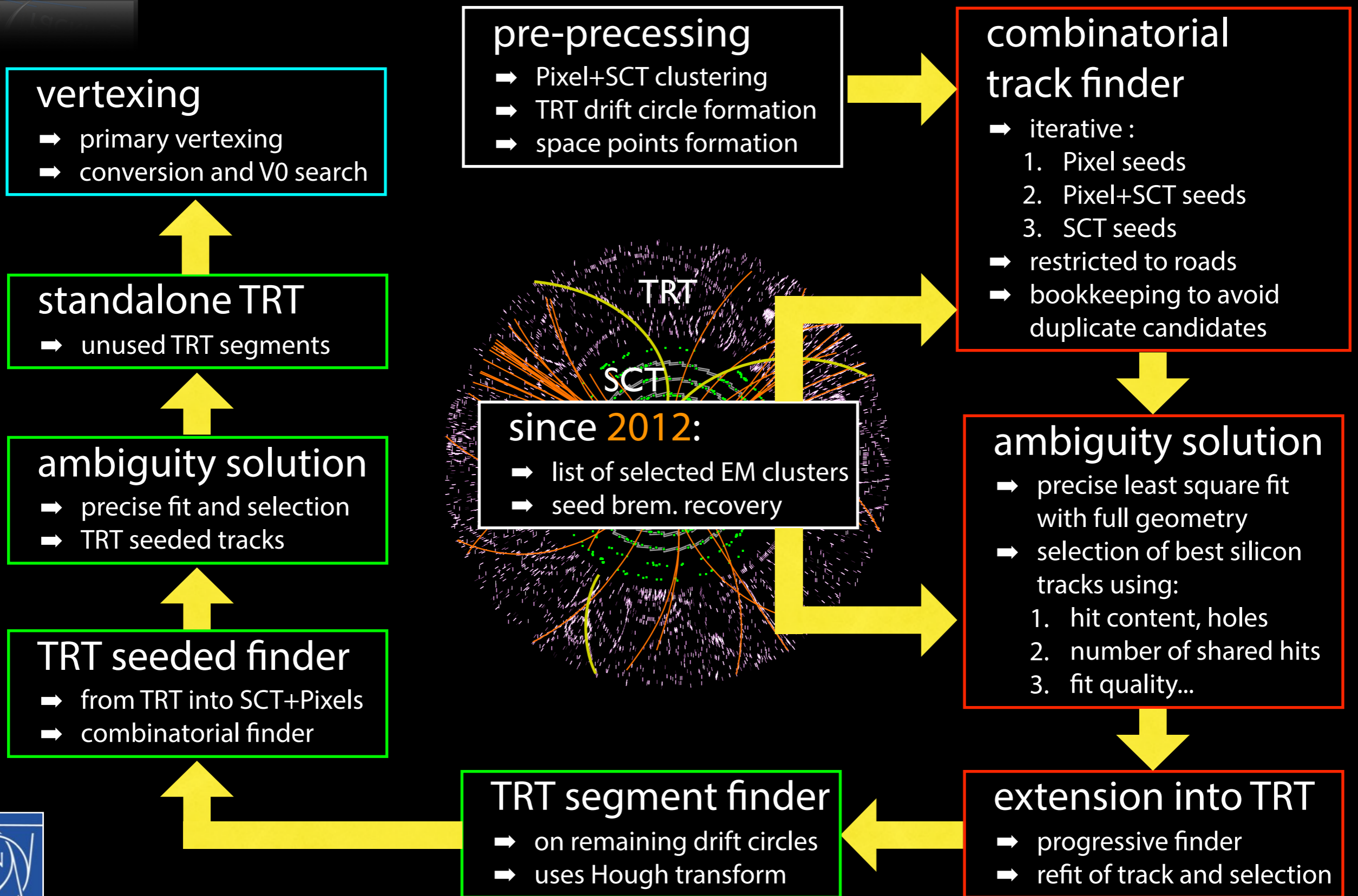


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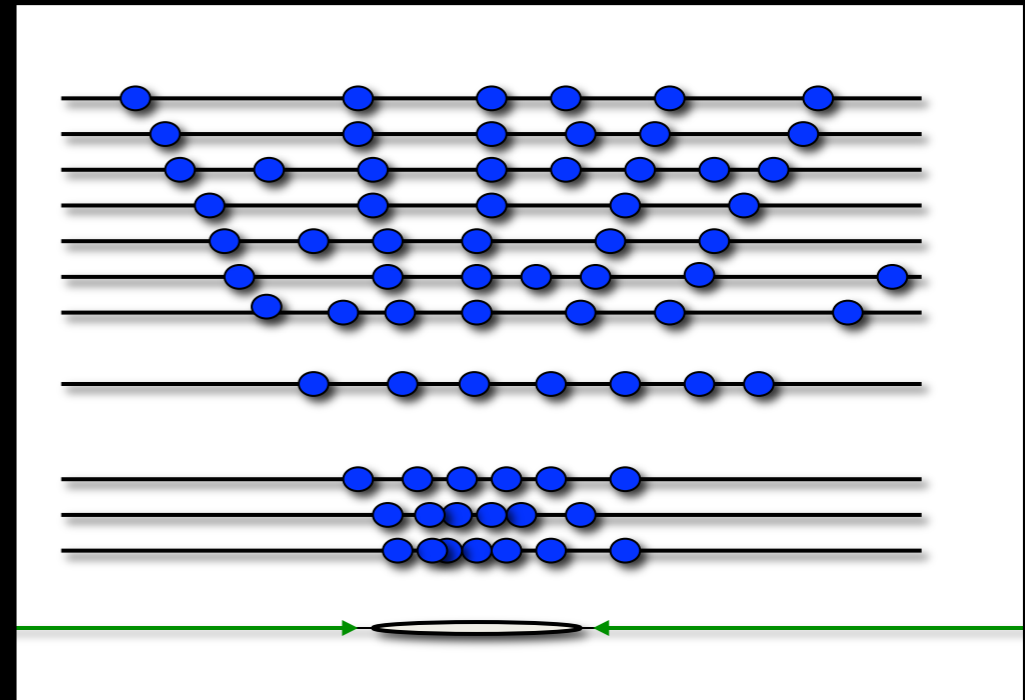


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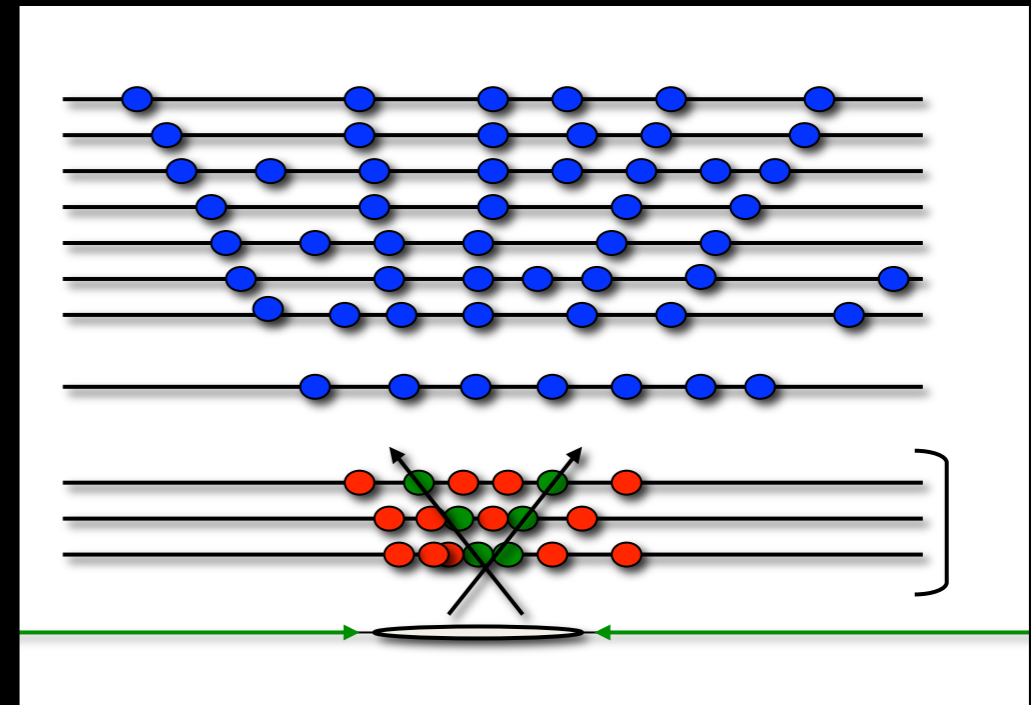
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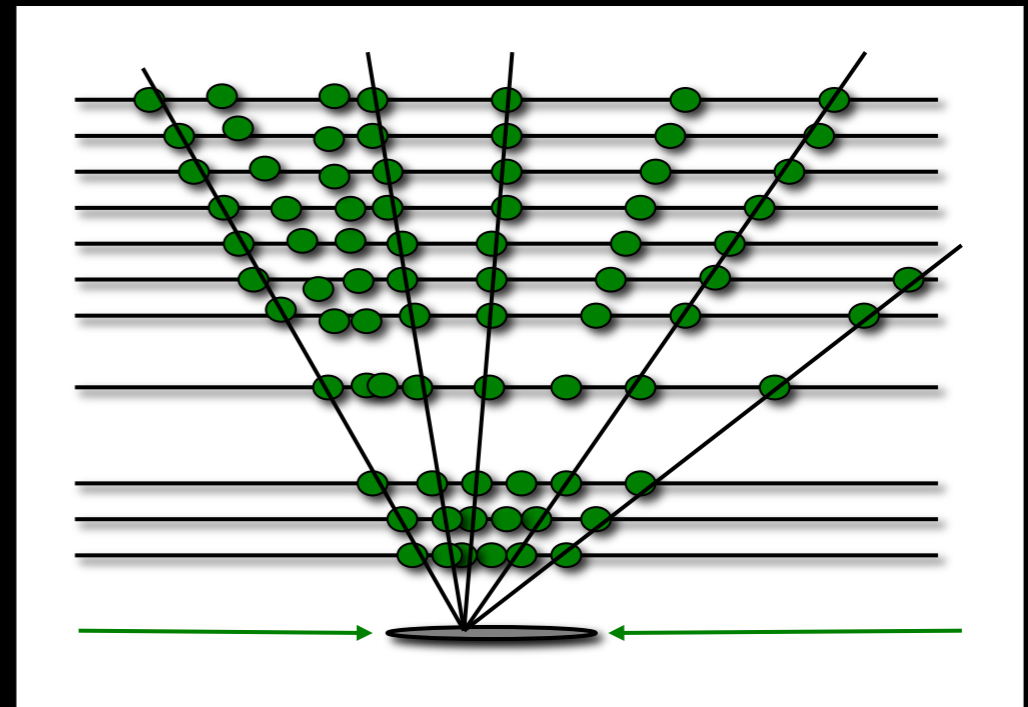
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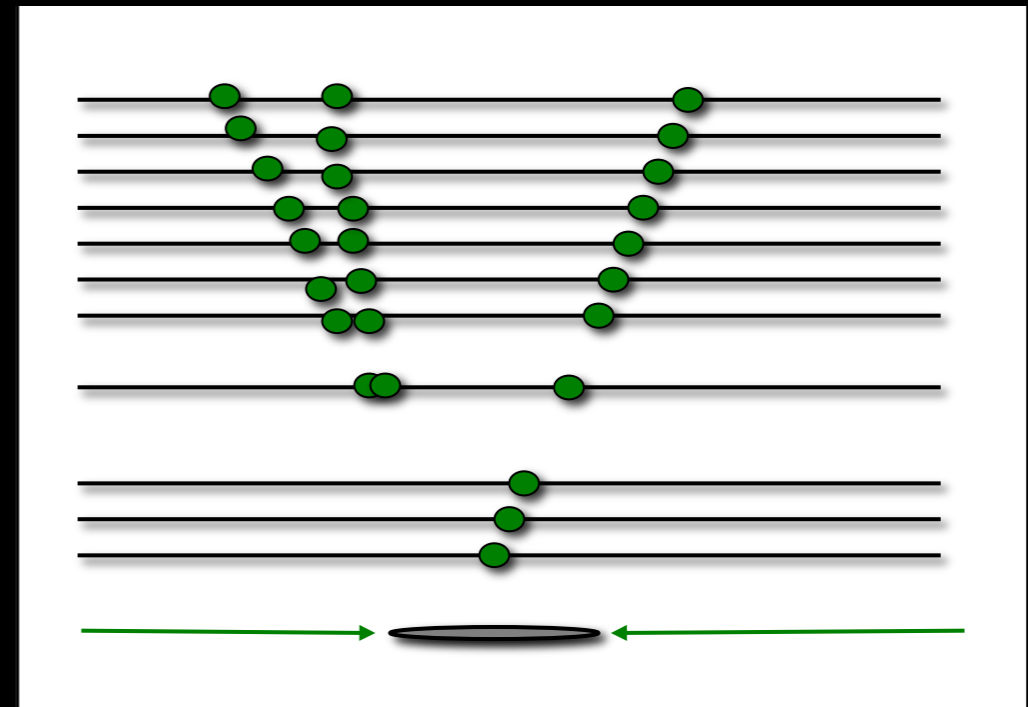
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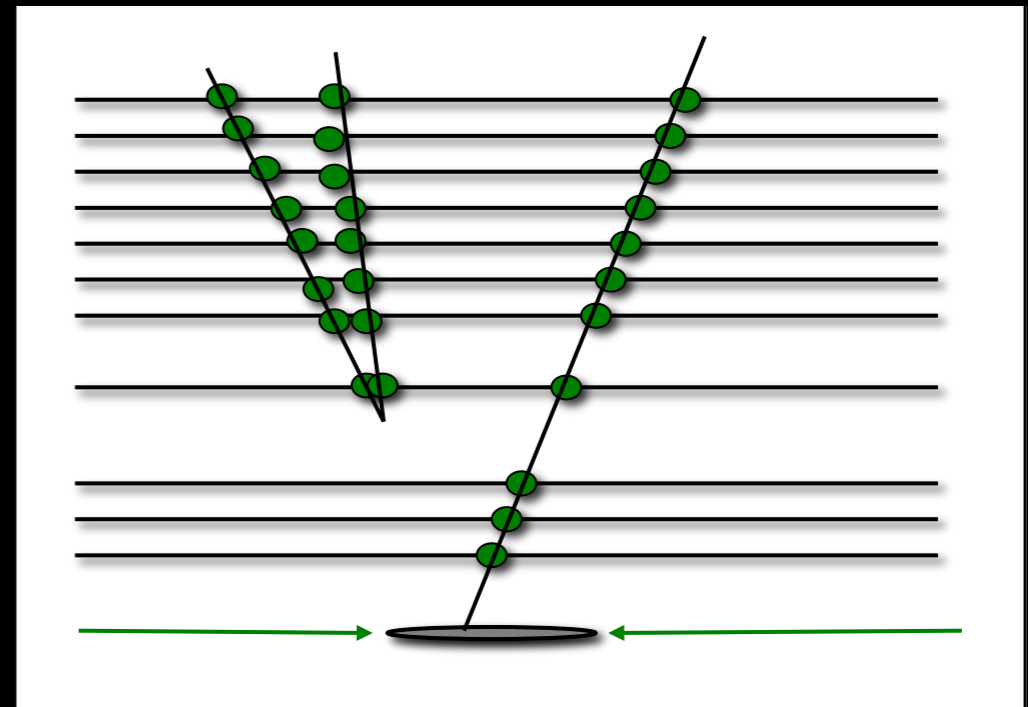
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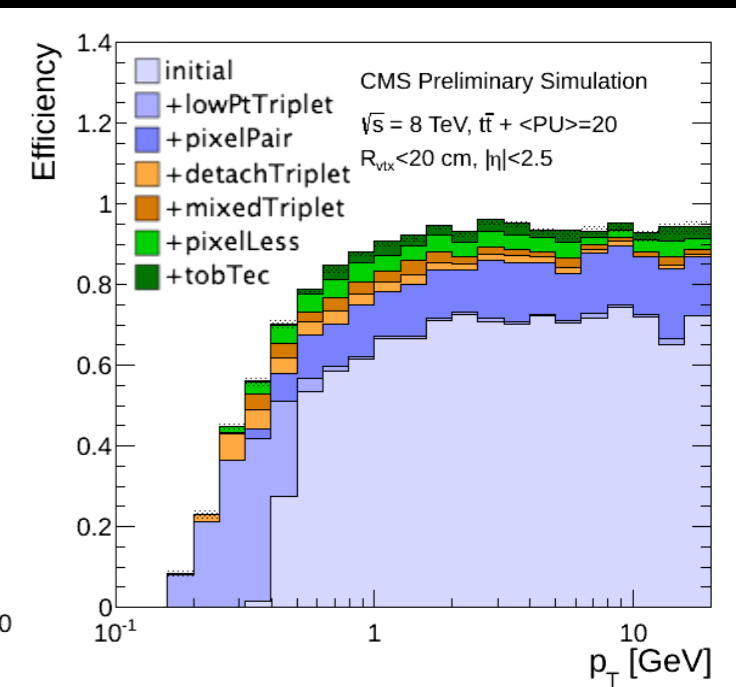
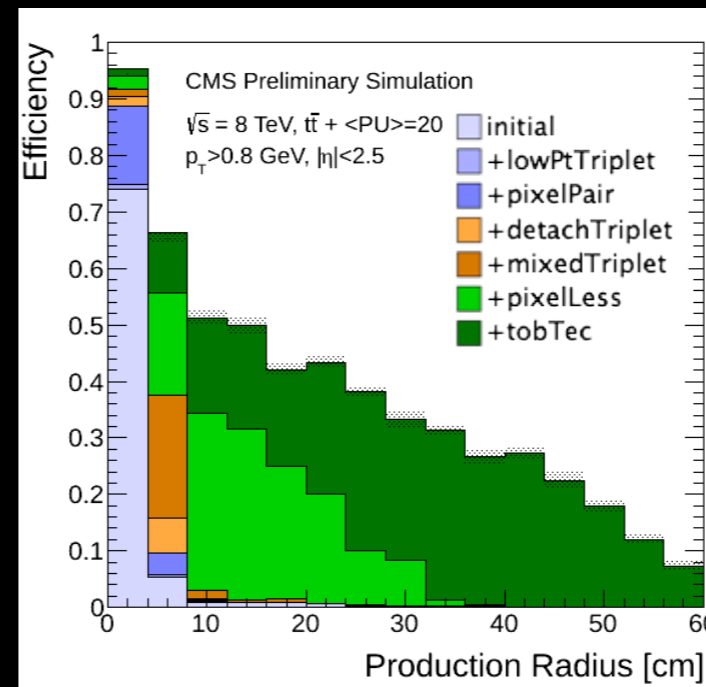
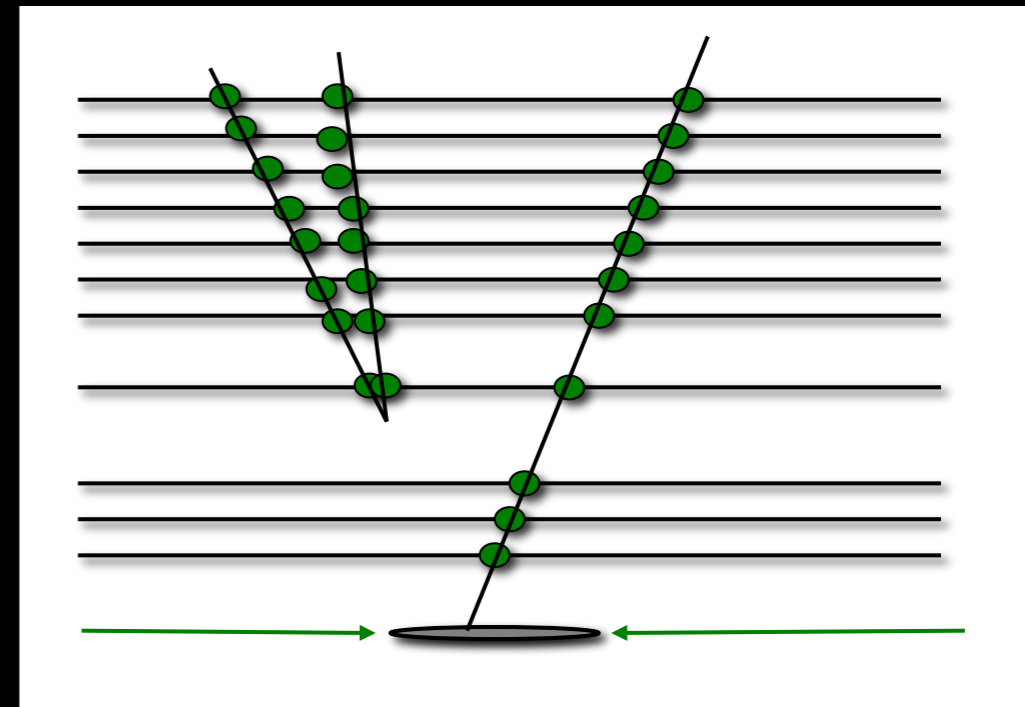
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- e.g. CMS did 7 iterations in Run-1



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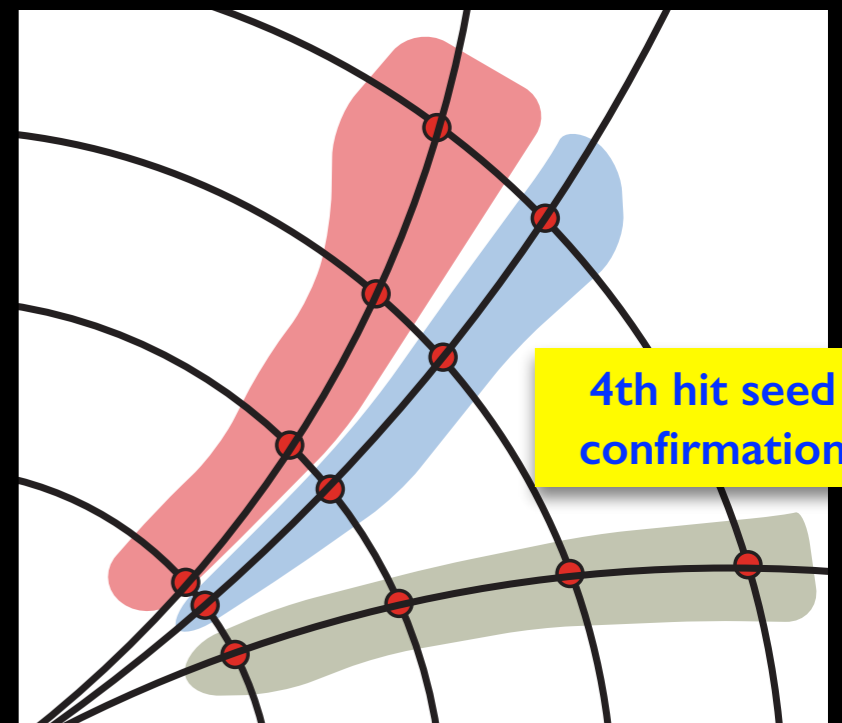
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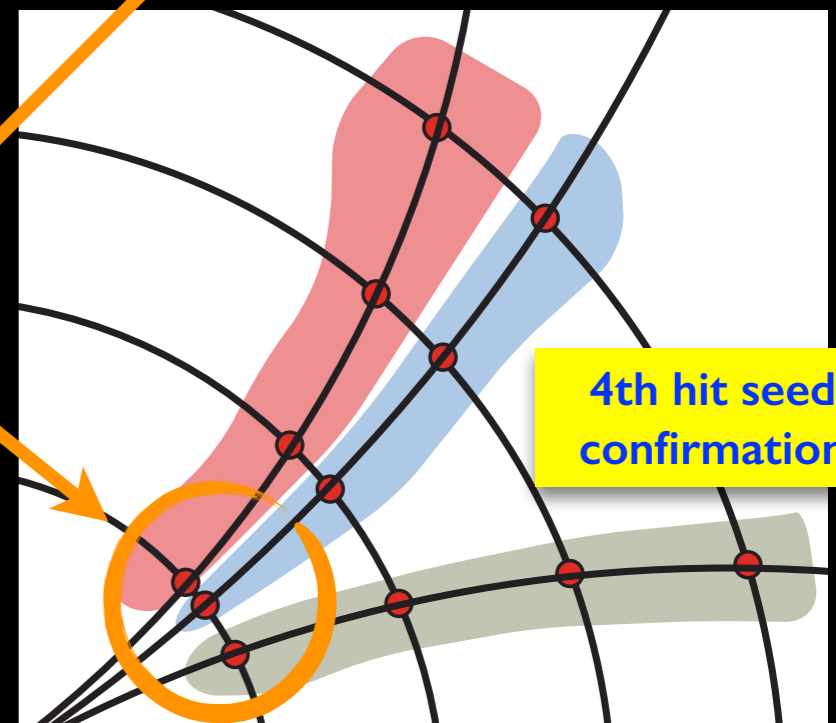
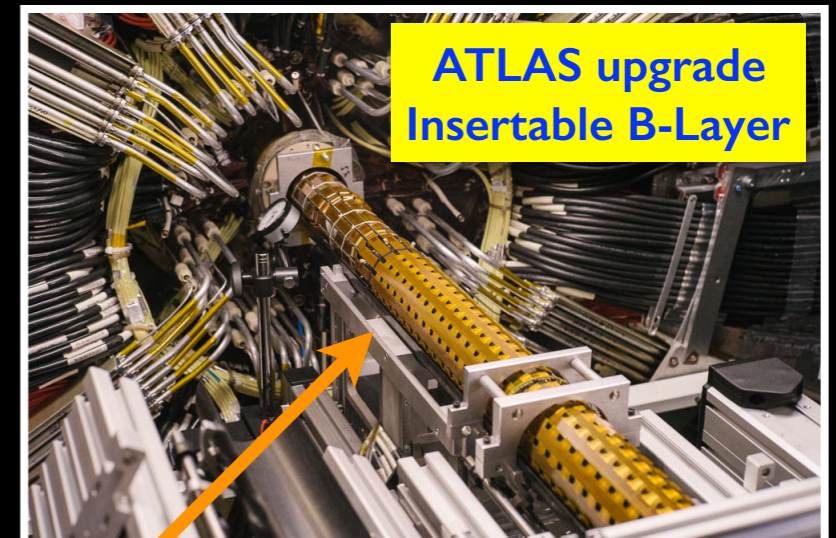
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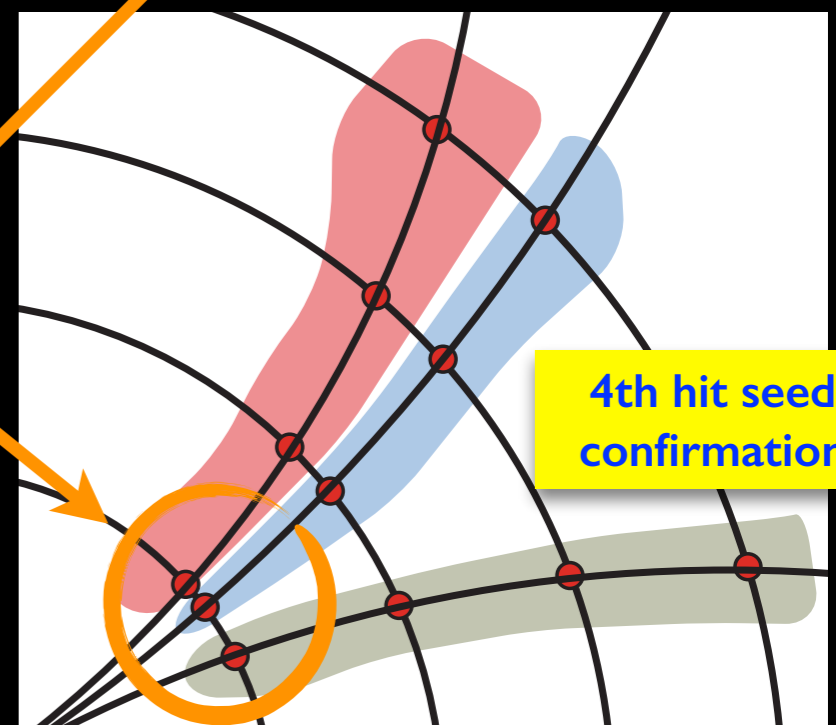
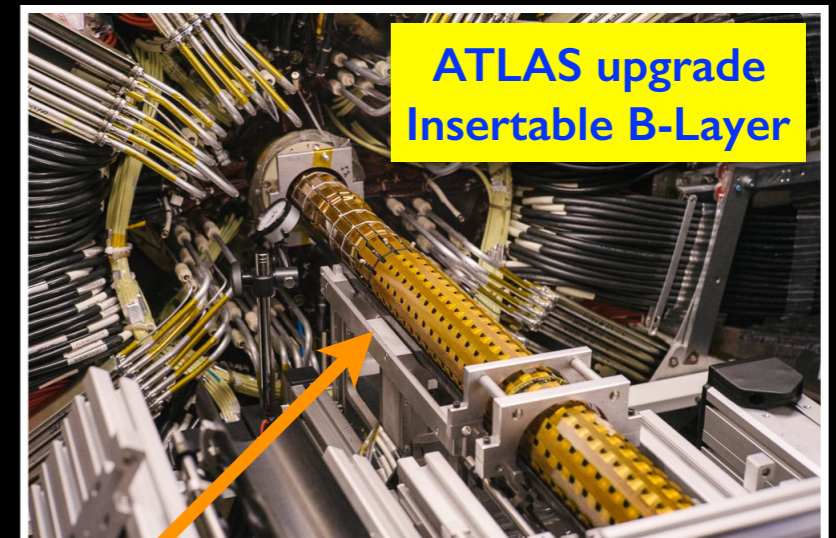
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- final ATLAS **Run-2 seeding strategy**

→ significant speedup at 40 pileup (and 25 ns)

seeding	efficiency	CPU*
"Run-1"	94.0%	9.5 sec
"Run-2"	94.2%	4.7 sec

*on local machine



Ambiguity Solution

- track **selection** cuts

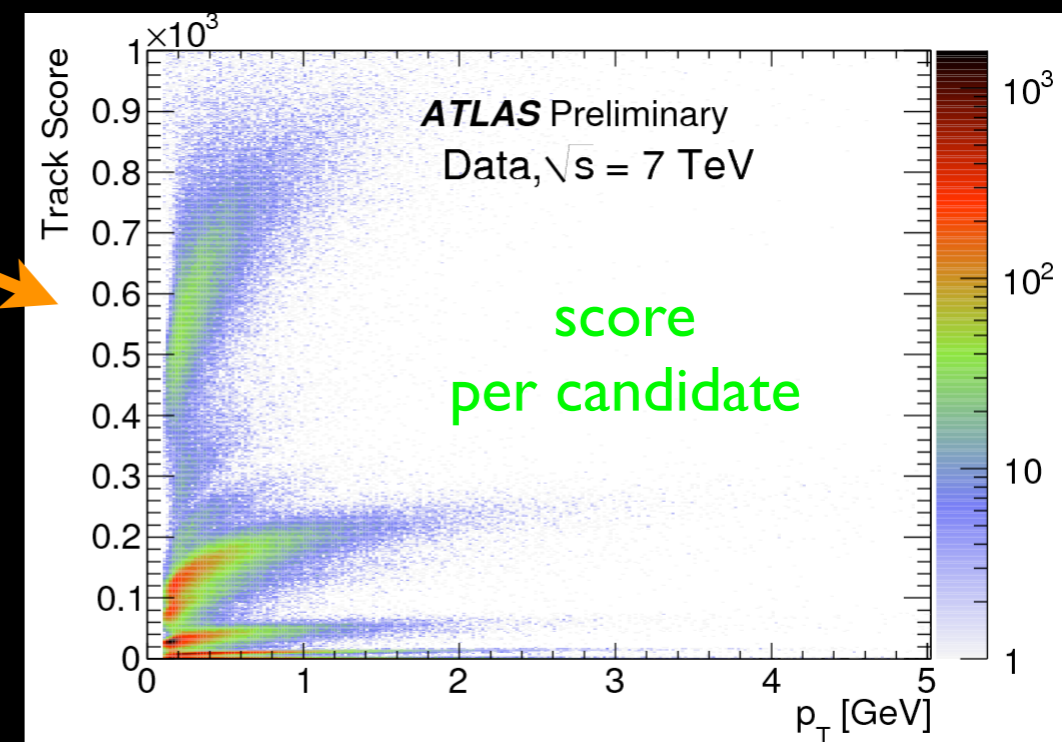
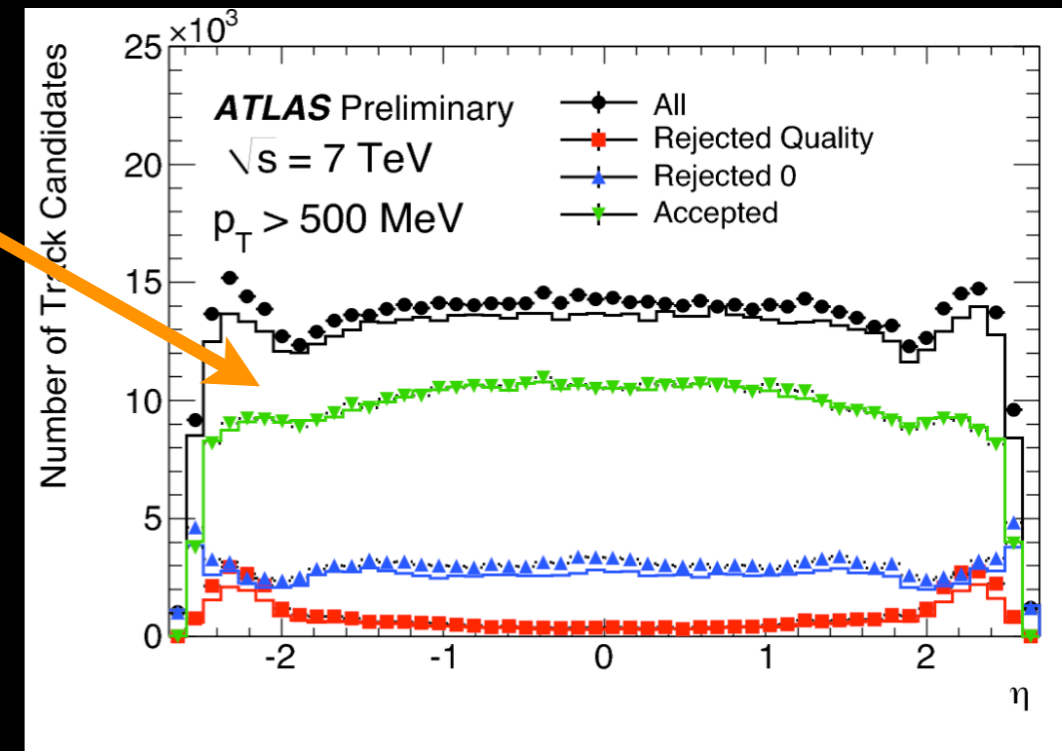
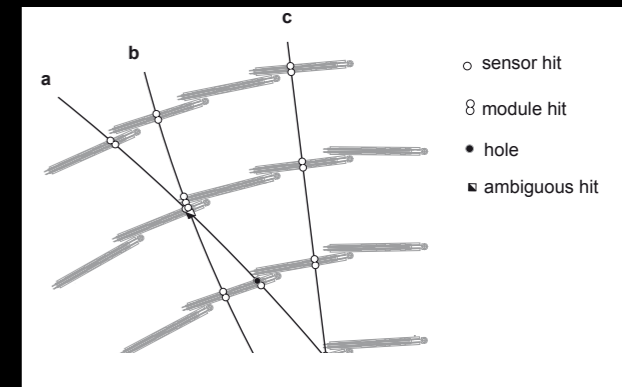
- ➔ applied at every stage in reconstruction
- ➔ still more **candidates** than **final tracks** and too high rate of **fakes**

- task of **ambiguity** solution:

- ➔ select good tracks and reject fakes

- ordered iterative procedure

- ➔ in case of ATLAS:
 - precise fit with **outlier removal**
- ➔ construct quality function ("**score**") for each candidate:
 1. hit content, holes
 2. number of shared hits
 3. fit quality...
- ➔ candidate with **best score wins**
- ➔ if too many **shared hits**, create sub-track if track with remaining hits passes cuts



Tracking in dense Jets

- problem of **cluster merging**

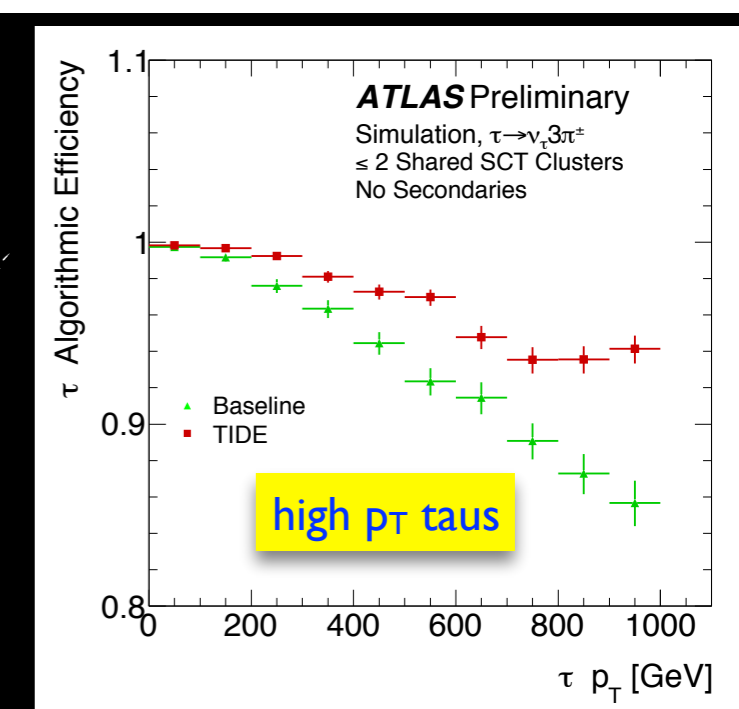
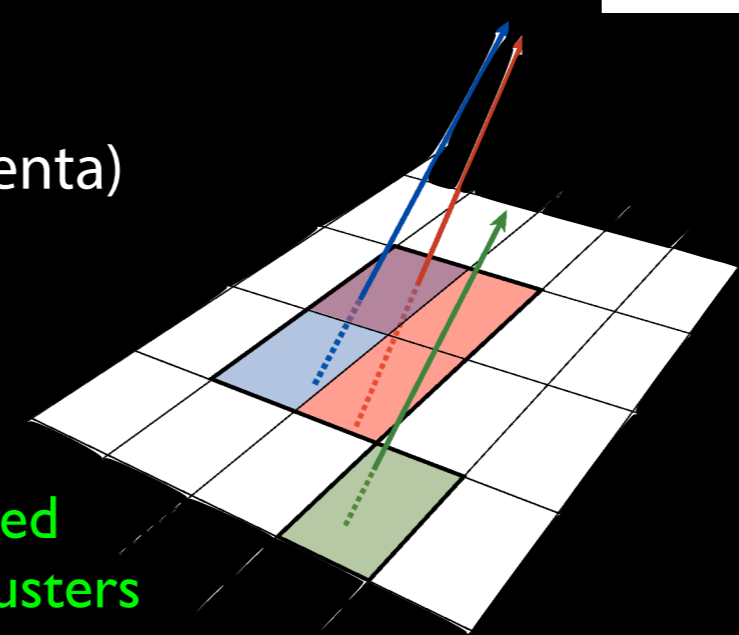
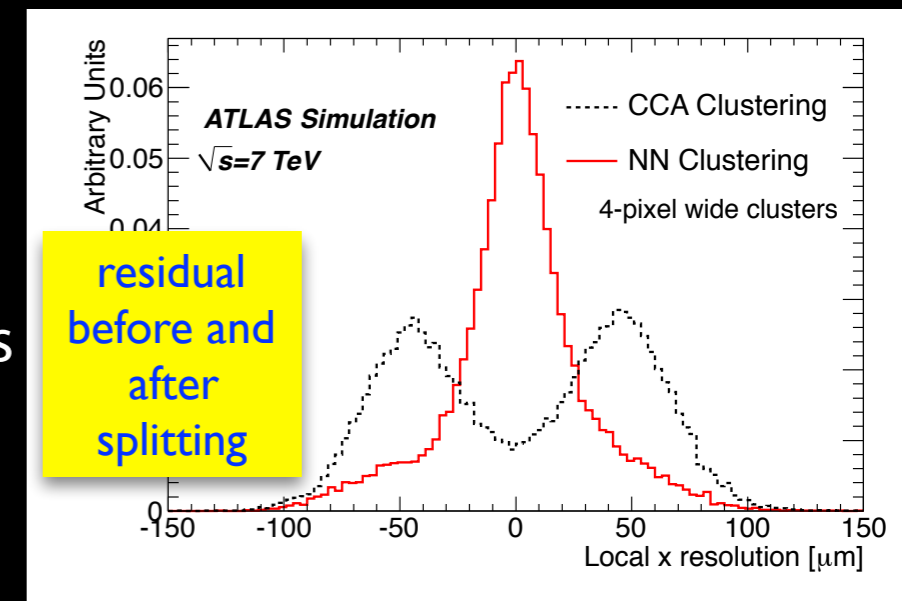
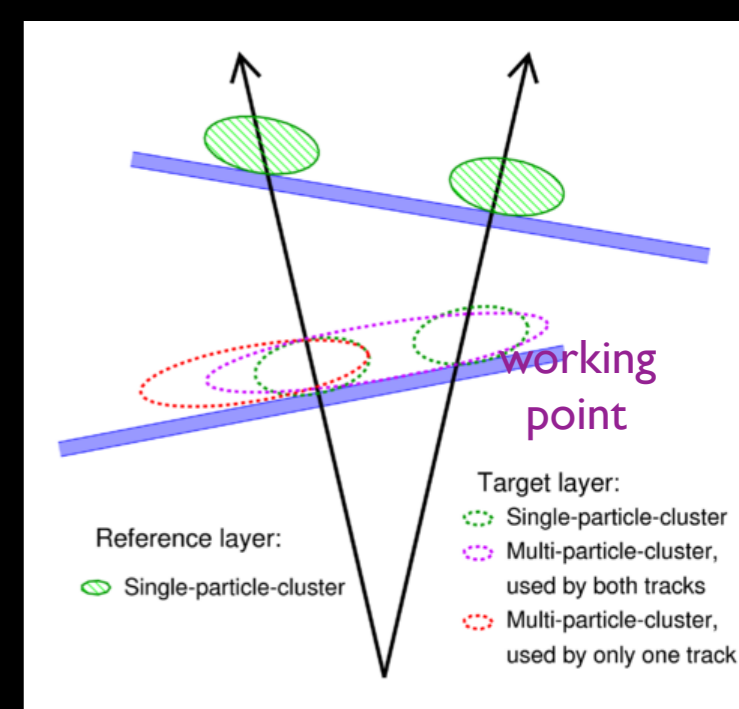
- ➔ merging when track separation reaches single Pixel size
- ➔ during track reconstruction shared clusters are penalised to reduce fakes and duplicate tracks

- **neural network (NN) Pixel clustering**

- ➔ identify merged clusters and splitting them
 - identify merge clusters, split them and correct positions
- ➔ splitting/sharing decision done in ambiguity processing
 - full track information for all candidates available

- **crucial** in many areas:

- ➔ b-tagging (especially at high momenta)
- ➔ jet calibration and particle flow
- ➔ 3-prong τ identification



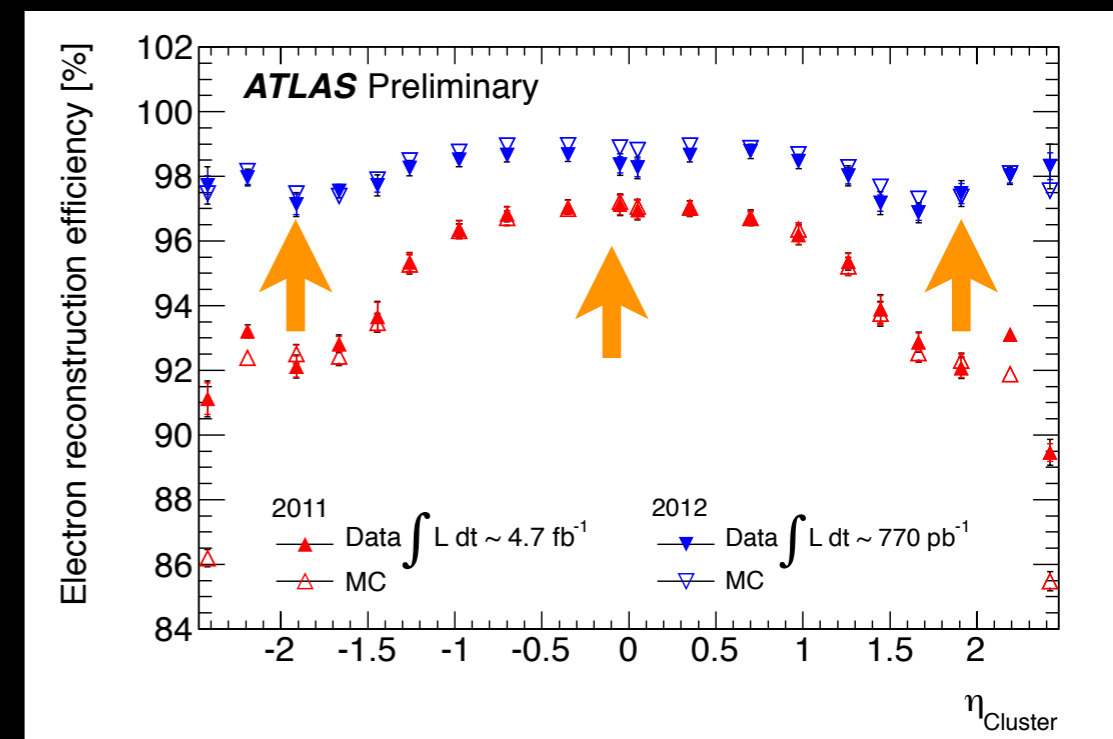
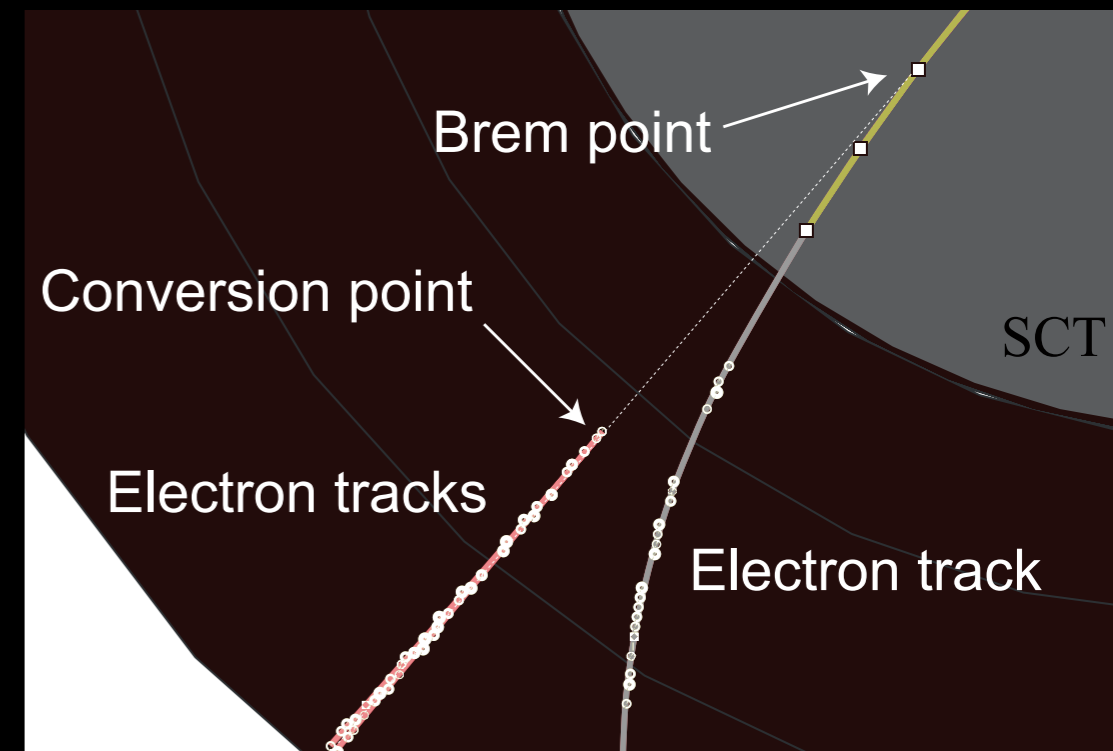
Tracking with **Electron Brem. Recovery**

● **strategy** for brem. recovery

- ➔ **restrict** recovery to **regions** pointing to electromagnetic clusters (RoI)
- ➔ **pattern**: allow for large energy loss in combinatorial Kalman filter
 - adjust noise term for electrons
- ➔ global- χ^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

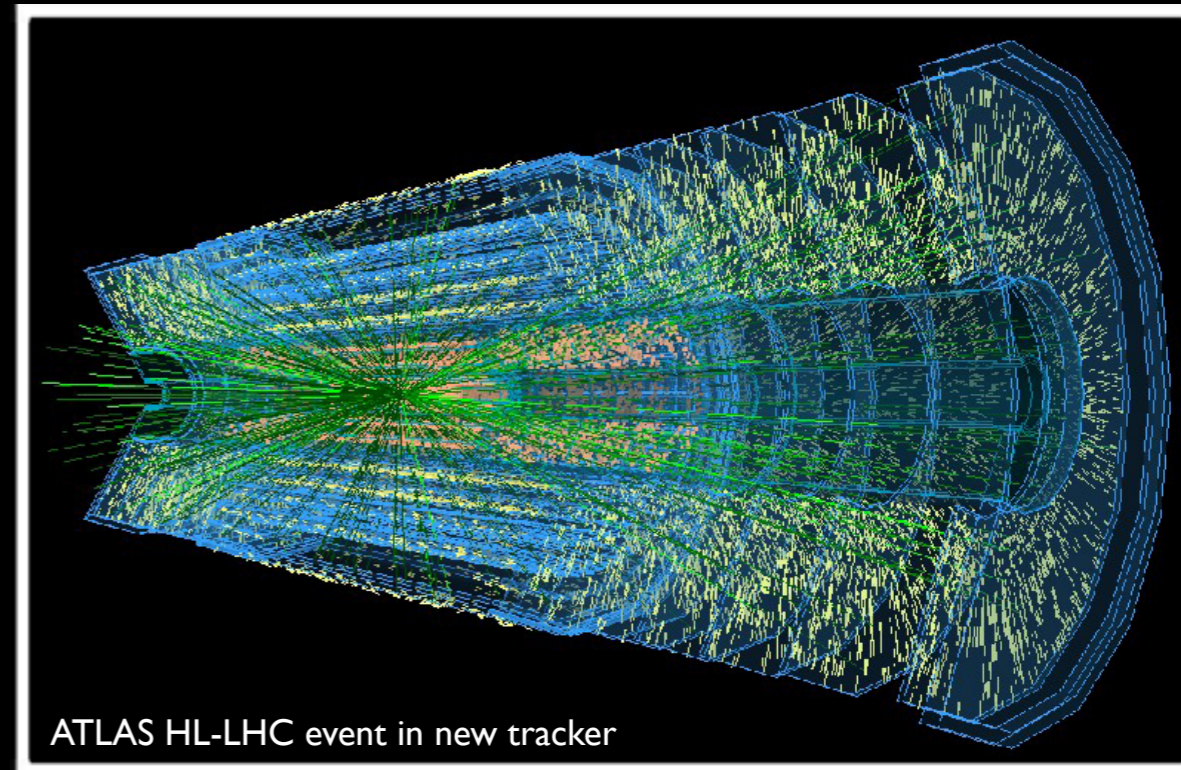
- ➔ improvements especially at low p_T (< 15 GeV)
 - limiting factor for $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4e$
- ➔ significant efficiency gain for Higgs discovery



Let's Summarise...

- discussed concepts for **track reconstruction**
- have overview of **strategies** and **mathematical tools**
- discussed an example of a **track reconstruction package** (ATLAS NewTracking)
- next is to talk about **vertexing** and its applications

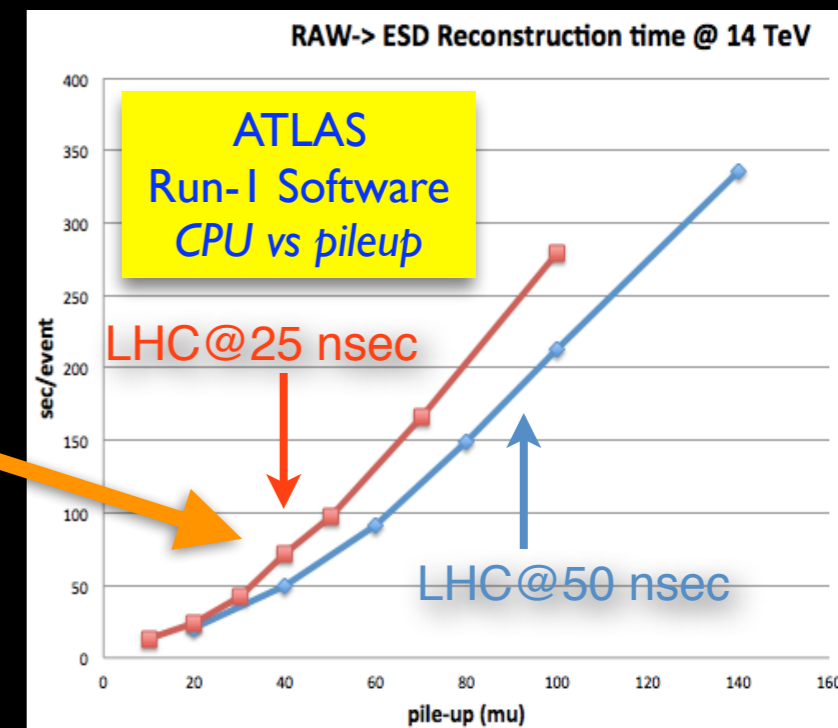




Bonus Slides...

LS-1 Tracking Upgrades

...so what did we do about this so far?



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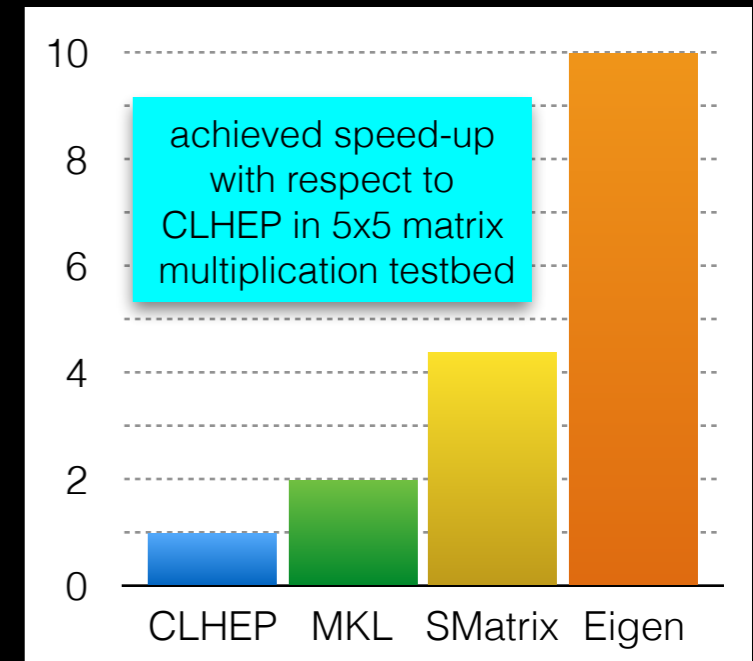
- **simplify EDM** design to be less OO (“hip” 10 years ago)
- ATLAS migrated to **Eigen** - faster vector+matrix algebra (CMS was already using SMatrix)
- vectorised trigonometric functions (CMS: **VDT** or ATLAS: **intel math lib**)
- work on CPU **hot spots** (e.g. ATLAS replaced F90 by C++ for **B-field** service)

➔ tune reconstruction **strategy** (very similar in ATLAS and CMS):

- optimise iterative **track finding strategy** for 40 pileup
- ATLAS modified track seeding to explore **4th Pixel** layer
- CMS added cluster-shape filter against out-of-time pileup

- hence, mix of **SIMD** and **algorithm tuning**

➔ CMS made their tracking as well thread-safe



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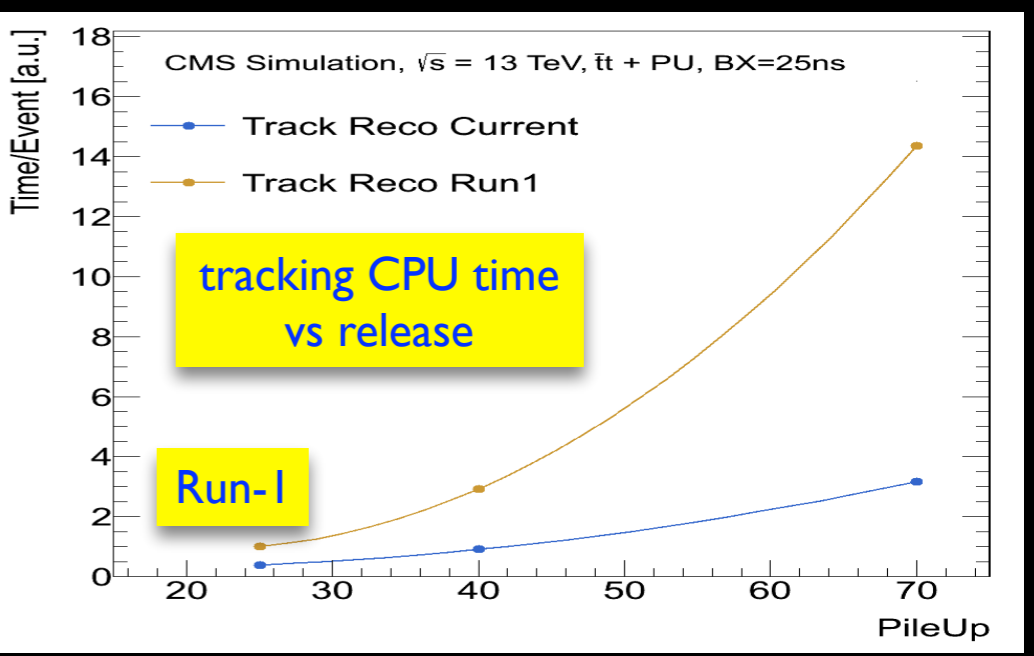
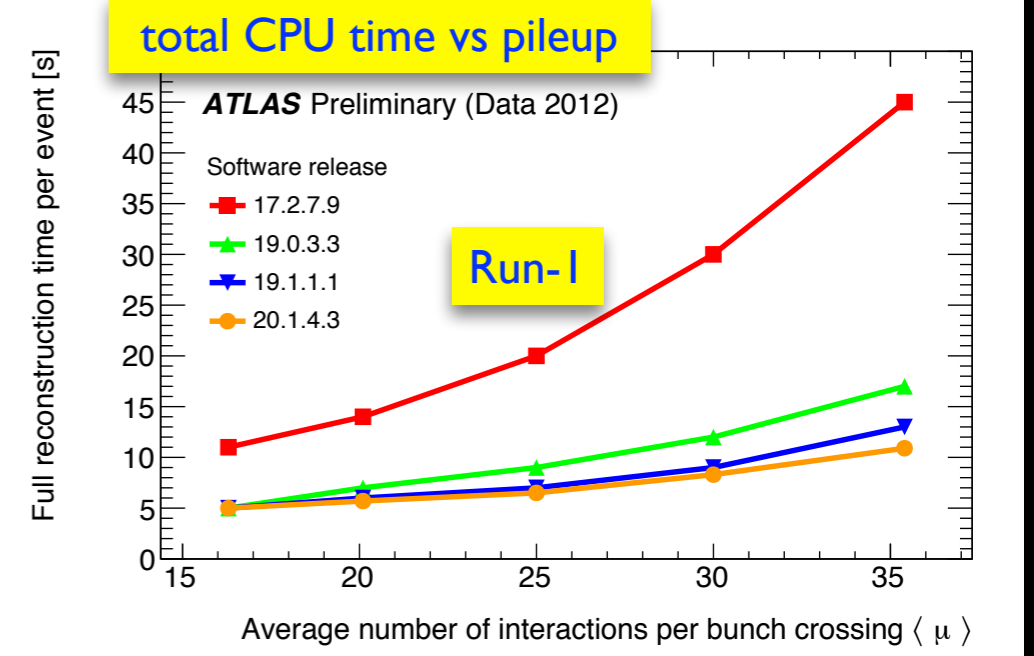
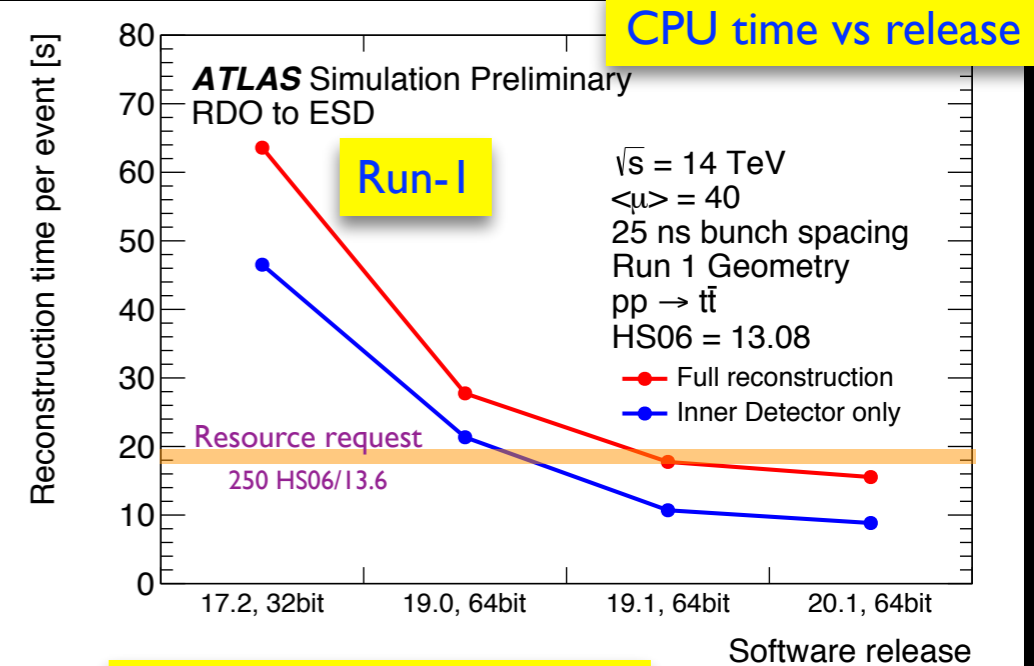
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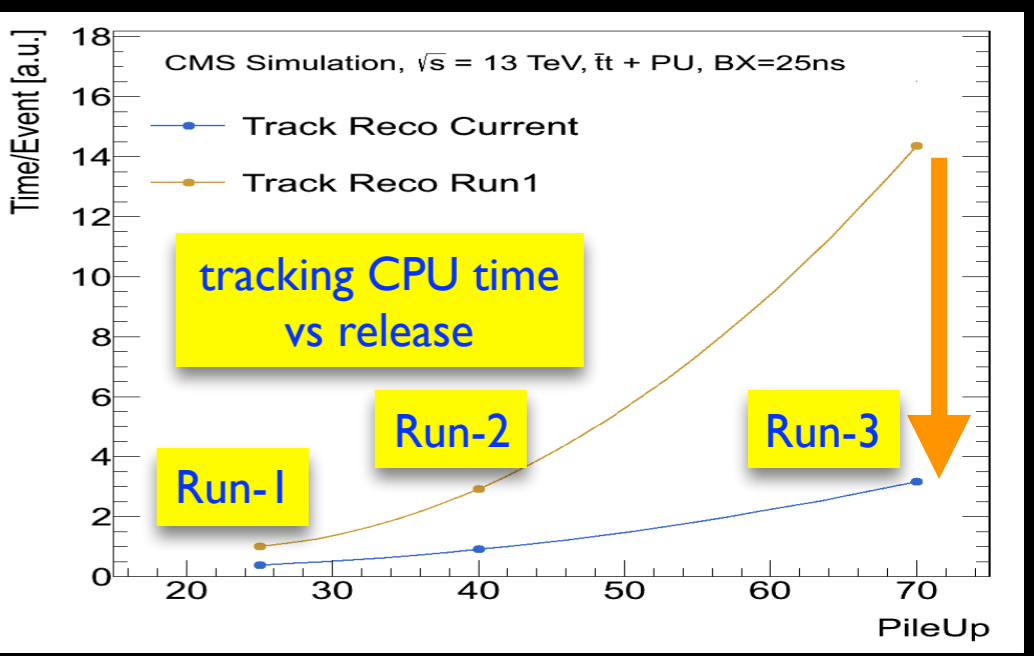
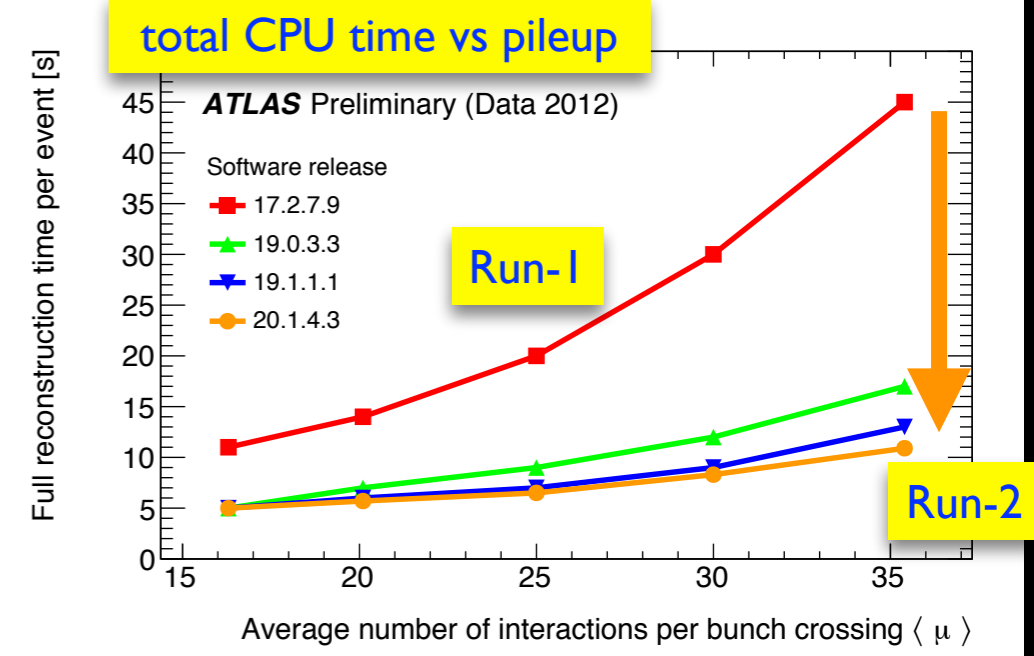
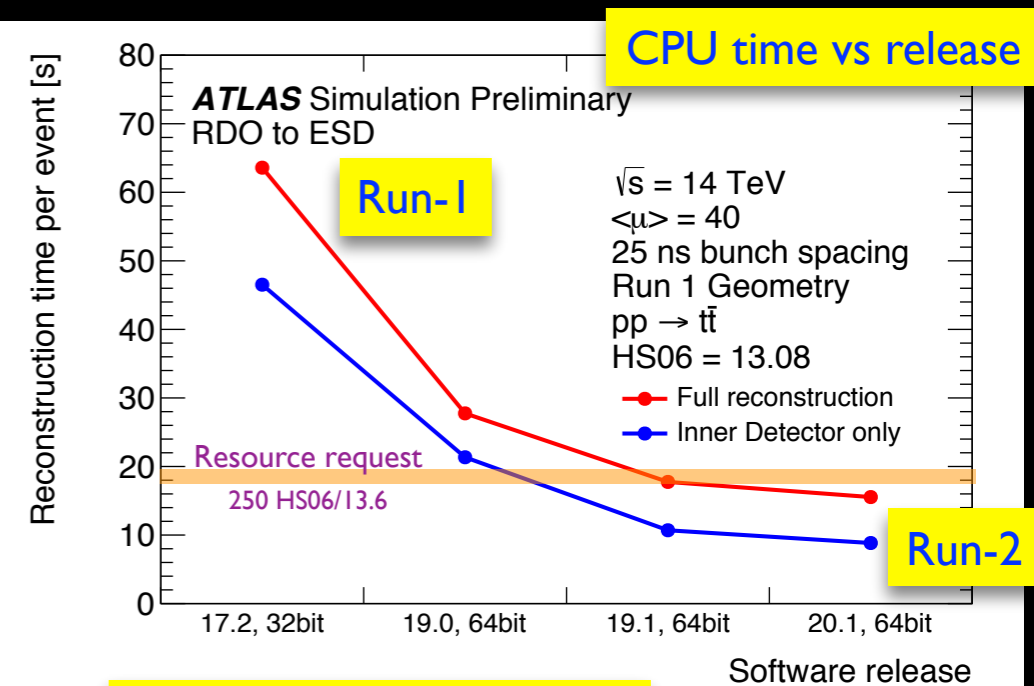
- touched >1000 packages for **factor 5** in tracking

➔ CMS reports overall **factor > 2** in CPU time

- on top of their 2011/12 improvements
- as well dominated by tracking improvements

➔ both experiments within **1 kHz Tier-0 budget**

- required to keep single lepton triggers



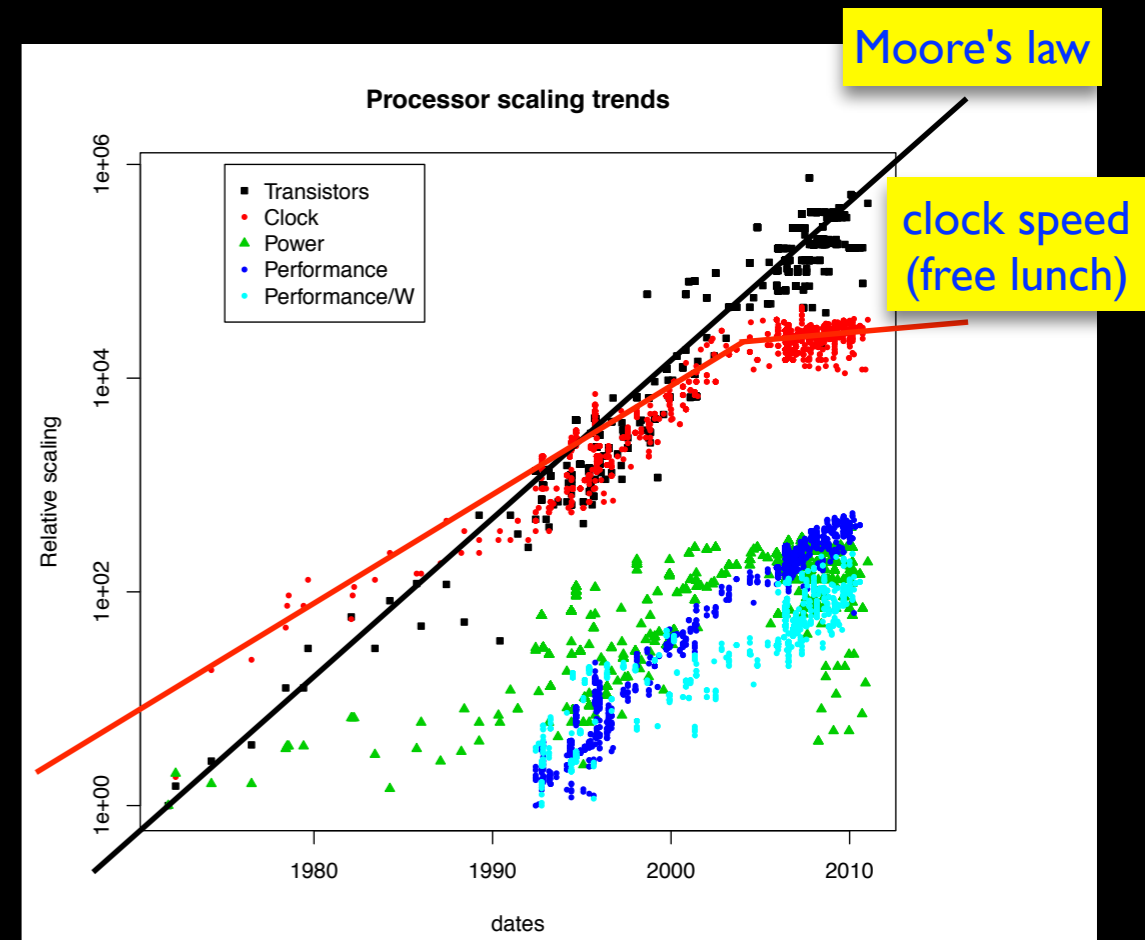
Technology Challenges

● Moore's law is still alive

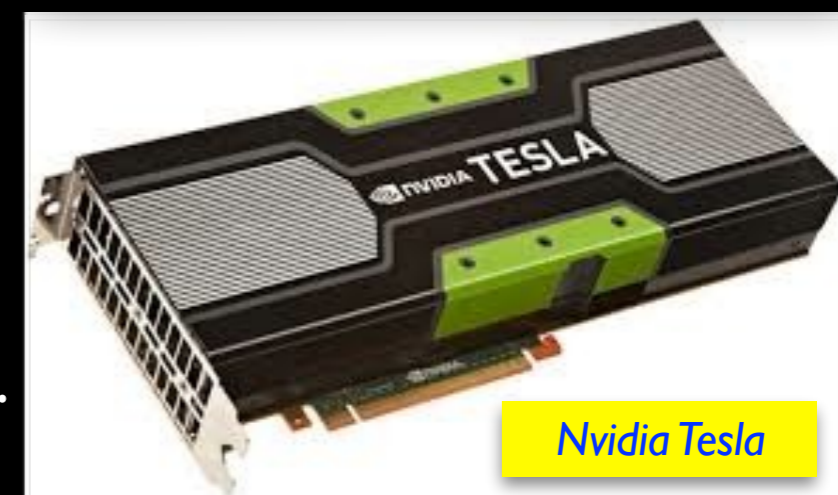
- ➔ number of transistors still doubles every 2 years
 - **no free lunch**, clock speed no longer increasing
- ➔ lots of transistors looking for something to do:
 - vector registers
 - out of order execution
 - hyper threading
 - multiple cores
- ➔ **many-core** processors, including GPGPUs
 - lots of **cores with less memory**
- ➔ increase **theoretical performance** of processors

● challenge will be to **adapt HEP software**

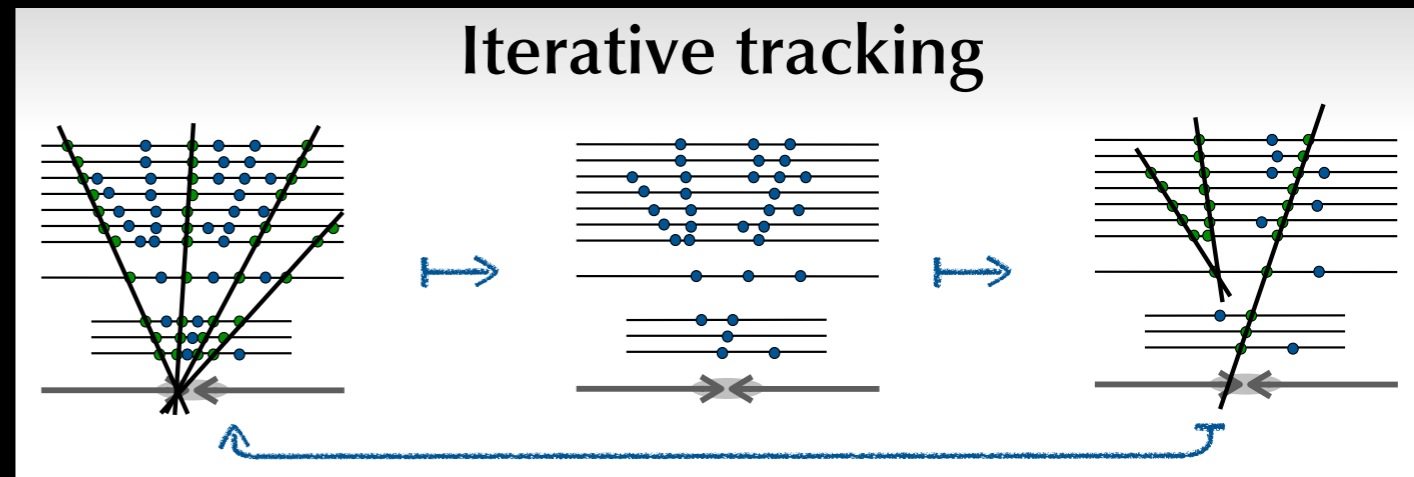
- ➔ **hard to exploit** theoretical processor performance
 - many of our **algorithm strategies** are **sequential**
- ➔ need to **parallelise applications** (multi-threading)
(GAUDI-HIVE and CMSSW multi-threading a step in this direction)
 - change **memory model** for objects, more **vectorisation**, ...



see G.Stewart, CHEP 2015



Massively parallel Tracking ?



- ATLAS/CMS tracking strategy is for **early rejection**

- ➔ **iterative tracking**: avoid **combinatorial overhead** as much as possible !
 - early rejection requires strategic candidate processing and hit removal
- ➔ not a heavily parallel approach, it is a **SEQUENTIAL** approach !

- implications for making it **massively parallel** ?

- ➔ **Amdahl's law** at work:

$$\text{Time}_{||} = \text{Para} / N + \text{Seq}$$

- ➔ iterative tracking: small parallel part **Para**, heavy on sequential **Seq**
 - hence, if we want to gain by a large **N** threads, we need to reduce **Seq**

- hence we need to **re-think** the **algorithmic strategy**

- ➔ having **concurrency** in mind from the very start
- ➔ as well, look outside the box, e.g. explore using **machine learning** techniques