PacTrk Status

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Bug Fixes

- Helix generation from point + direction
 - angles of exactly 0 produced NAN
- Cone intersection
 - occasional unphysical intersections
- Plane intersections
 - incorrect path lengths for helices
 - reversed path length through material
 - no intersections for backwards particles (temporarily)!
 - PacDetPlaneElem now ready for N-agon

Svt configuration

- Element order (old)
 - caused loss of hits in layer 4
- MAPS resolution
 - now 10 μm X 10 μm, was 10 μm X 14 μm
- MAPS material
 - added additional bus material (AI + Kapton, 0.17%)
- File organization
 - was: separate files for resolution, geometry
 - now: resolution + geometry in same file
 - Si_SuperB.xml and Si_BaBar.xml

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General Configuration

- Configuration files now sourced using a search path
 - ./, RELEASE, PARENT, ...
- Can modify configuration by copying files to workdir with their package
 - ie, in workdir, mkdir PacTrk, then copy PacTrk/ Si_Superb.xml into it

PacSim showering

- Showering described by (abstract) PacShowerModel class
 - PacEMShower and PacHadShower subclasses
 - Can subclass for specialized shower (CsI vs LYSO)

Shower Modeling Problem

- PDG shower shape depends on material Z
 - assumes showering in homogenous material
- Shape changes when showers cross materials
 - old model: match showers by X₀
 - problem: shower profile becomes discontinuous!
 - new model: match showers by dE/dX₀
 - problem: shower no longer has unit integral!
- Need a more physical solution
 - 'transition radiation' model

PacSimTrackTest module

- In PacQAApp
- Tuple 'everything' about a simtrack
 - all simhits
 - kind, position, energy loss, ...
 - associated reco track properties
 - associated GTrack + GVertex
 - particle type, momentum, genealogy, ...

Track reco efficiency vs cos(theta)



Material Interaction Daughters

- PmcSimulate now creates daughters for γ conversion, bremsstrahlung
 - correct GTrack genealogy
 - daughters particles simulated + reconstructed
- caveat: daughters do not interact with the material that produced them
- NB: most interactions are in DIRC
 - Need cluster merging to simulate correctly!
- Hadronic interaction still to come

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