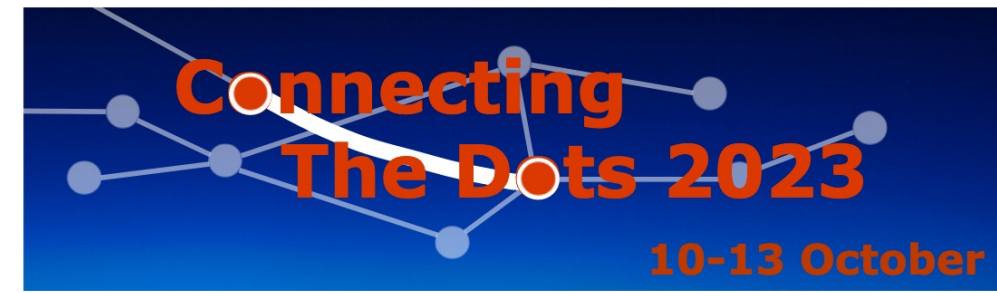


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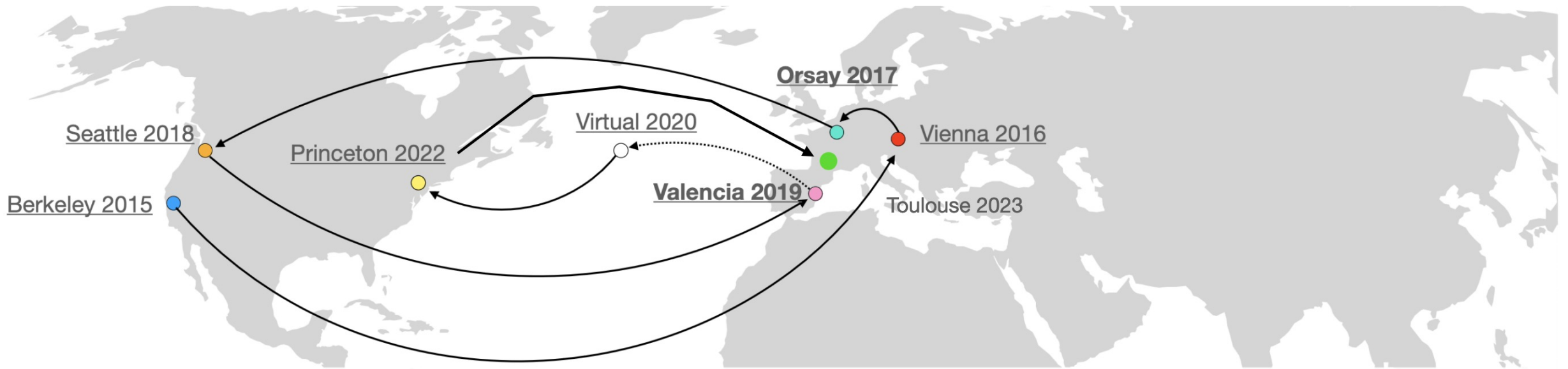
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# The “*Connecting the Dots*” series of workshops



The *Connecting The Dots* workshop series brings together experts on **track reconstruction** and other problems involving **pattern recognition** in **sparsely sampled data**. While the main focus will be on High Energy Physics (HEP) detectors, the *Connecting The Dots* workshop is intended to be inclusive across other scientific disciplines wherever similar problems or solutions arise.

# L2IT in 2020



The Lab was created by Paul Sabatier University and IN2P3 / CNRS in January 2020 with initially 4 members.

# ... and now



L2IT

As of today: 27 members



# Research at L2IT

**Defining feature:**  
Focus on novel analysis methods

Modelling, simulation and modern analysis techniques are the main focus of L2IT.

We are developing these innovative aspects of research in the fields of nuclear and particle physics and cosmology, in close collaboration with experts from Toulouse's ecosystem of research in computing, artificial intelligence, physics, astronomy and astrophysics.

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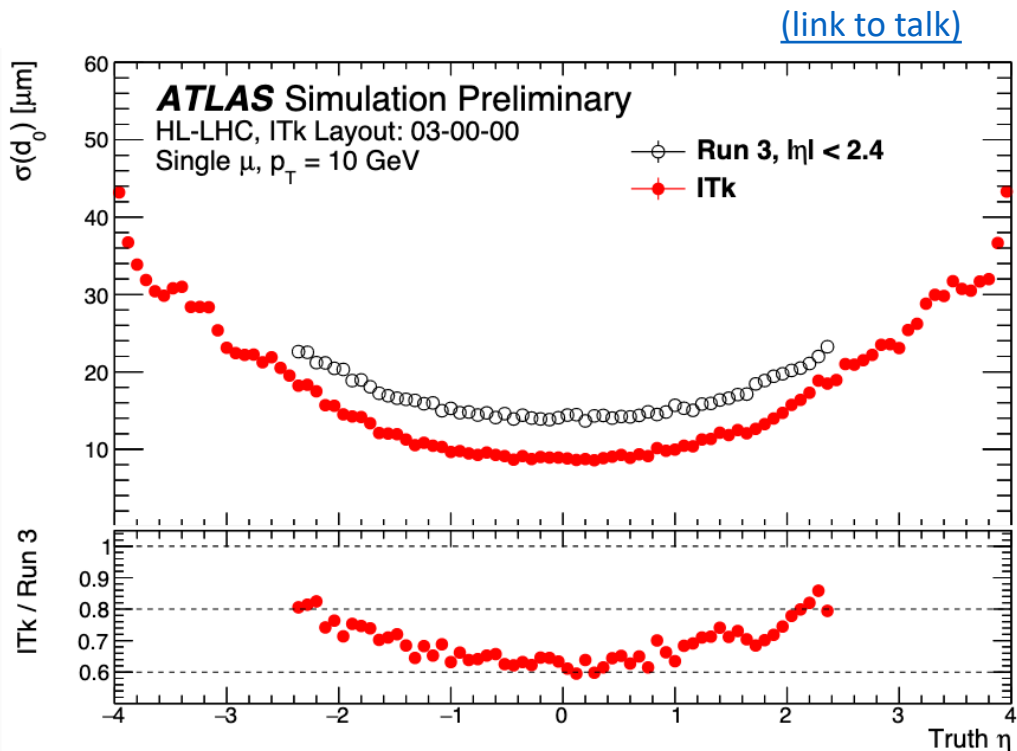
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FAZIA at GANIL

# Updates from LHC experiments

## Updated expected tracking performance of the ATLAS Inner Tracker Upgrade for Phase-II



Also: talk on Long-Lived Particle triggers in the LHC Run 3 ([link](#))

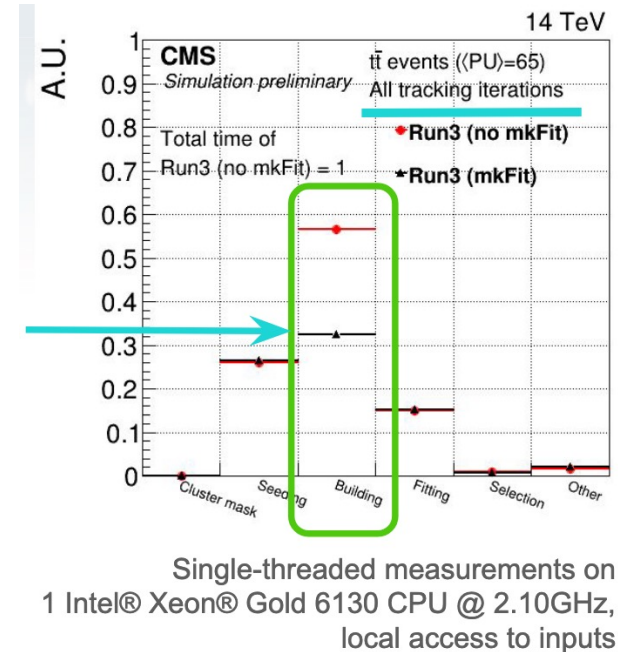
## CMS: track reconstruction with mkFit

(link to talk)

### Introduction to mkFit $\Rightarrow$ Matriplex Kalman trajectory Fitter

- **Parallelized and vectorized track finding and fitting**
  - Parallelization through Intel TBB
  - Vectorization via SIMD pragmas (mostly in propagation) and Matriplex (Kalman operations)
    - Made possible by generalizing detector geometry and its traversal so that sets of track candidates undergo the same operations

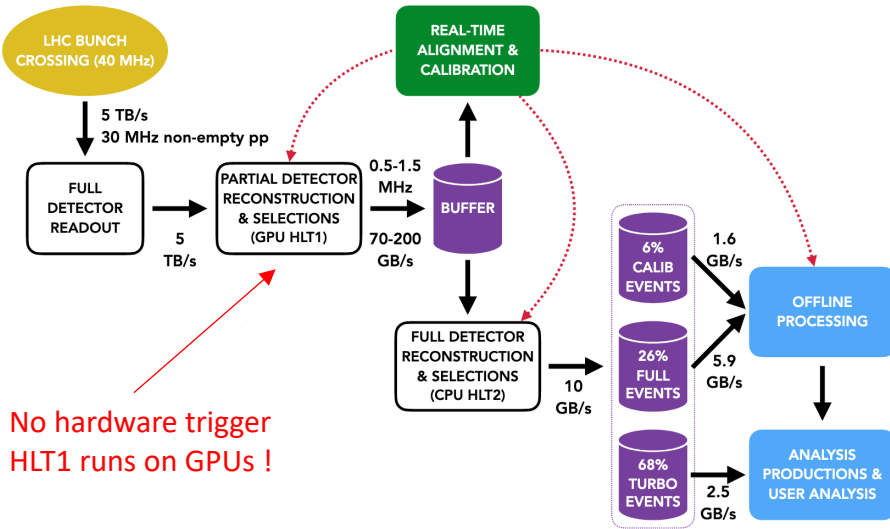
mkFit is in production since start of Run 3



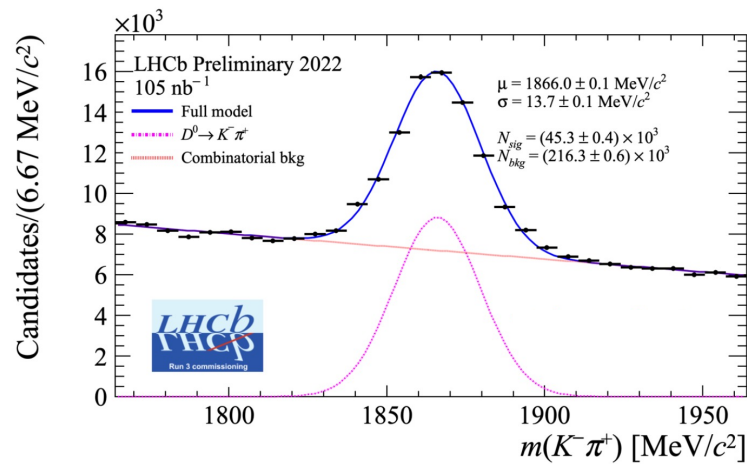
# Updates from LHC experiments and Belle II

## First experience with the LHCb heterogeneous software trigger

[\(link to talk\)](#)



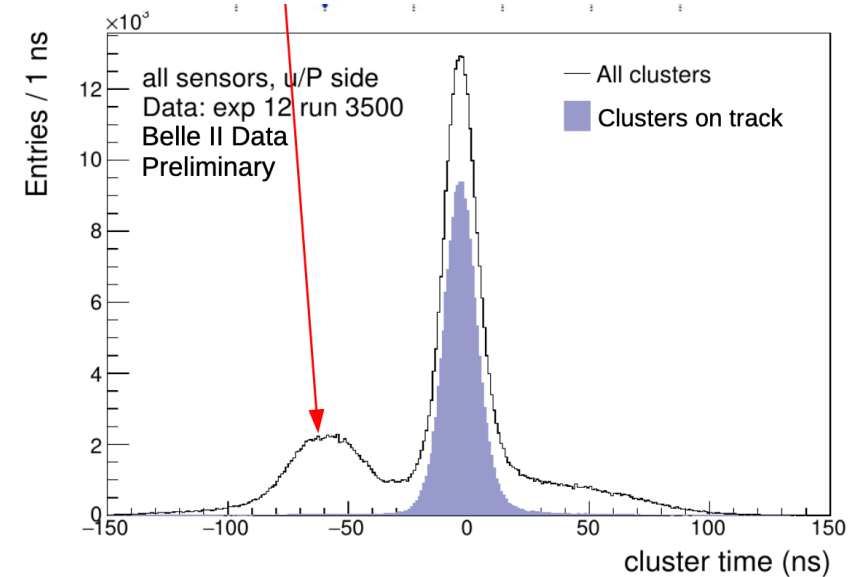
No hardware trigger  
HLT1 runs on GPUs !



HLT1 is able to find mass peaks in real time !  
Shown here:  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$

## Belle II track finding using precise timing information

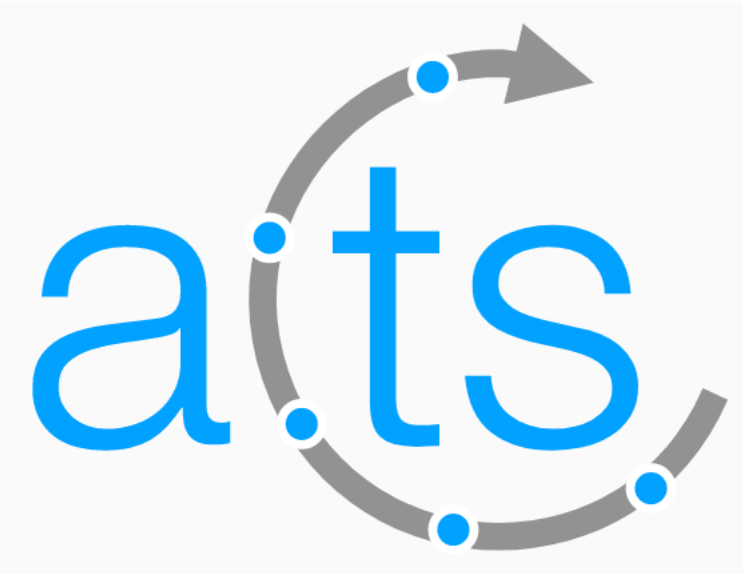
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	Hit time grouping off	Hit time grouping on	Relative difference
Track finding efficiency	93.67 ± 0.24 %	93.69 ± 0.24 %	+0.02 %
Charge efficiency	98.68 ± 0.11 %	98.74 ± 0.11 %	+0.06 %
Fake rate	9.55 ± 0.29 %	4.37 ± 0.20 %	-54.26 %
Clone rate	3.81 ± 0.19 %	3.56 ± 0.18 %	-6.62 %



# ACTS is everywhere



- Experiment-independent toolkit for tracking
  - ▶ In-use or in evaluation by a number of experiments!
- Modern software, unit tested, continuous integration
- Minimal external dependencies
- Ready for multi-threading by design

## ATLAS stepper transcribed to ACTS

```
double PC = pVector[4] * C[0]
+ pVector[5] * C[1] + pVector[6] * C[2];
double Bn = 1. / PC;

double Bx2 = -A[2] * pVector[29];
double Bx3 = A[1] * pVector[38]
- A[2] * pVector[37];

double By2 = A[2] * pVector[28];
double By3 = A[2] * pVector[36]
- A[0] * pVector[38];

double Bz2 = A[0] * pVector[29]
- A[1] * pVector[28];
double Bz3 = A[0] * pVector[37]
- A[1] * pVector[36];

double B2 = B[0] * Bx2 + B[1]
* By2 + B[2] * Bz2;
double B3 = B[0] * Bx3 + B[1]
* By3 + B[2] * Bz3;
```

## ACTS reimplemented EigenStepper

```
boundToCurvilinearJacobian(direction,
                            boundToFreeJacobian,
                            freeTransportJacobian,
                            freeToPathDerivatives,
                            fullTransportJacobian);

boundCovariance = fullTransportJacobian
* boundCovariance
* fullTransportJacobian.transpose();

reinitializeJacobians(freeTransportJacobian,
                     freeToPathDerivatives,
                     boundToFreeJacobian,
                     direction);
```

🇨🇭 **Software written 30+ years before with no one still around who wrote it is not maintainable!**

\*not exactly identical code

Paul Gessinger

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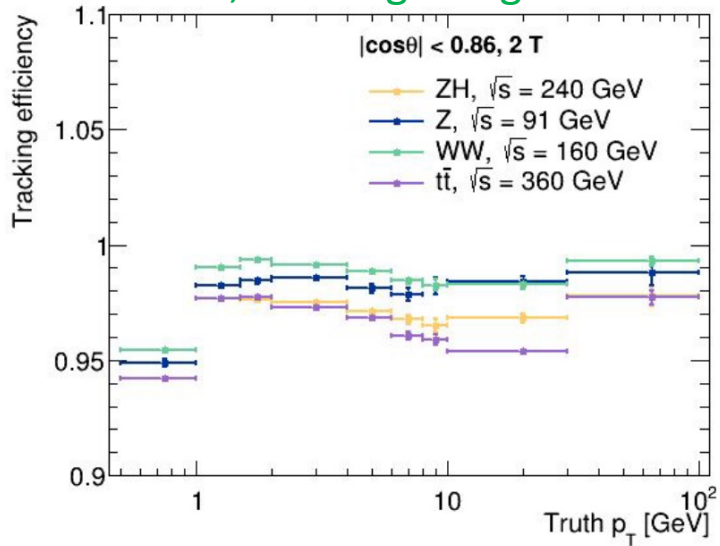
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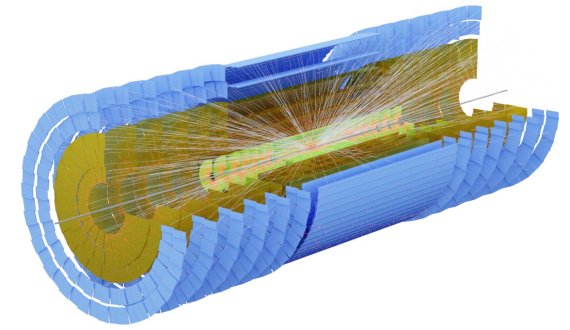
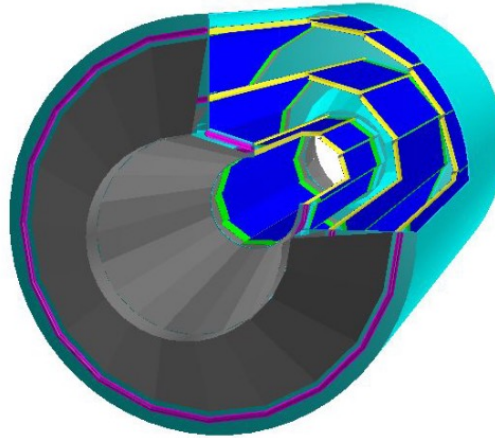
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ACTS-based track reconstruction for Open Data Detector ([link to talk](#))

CEPC, tracking using ACTS ([link to talk](#))

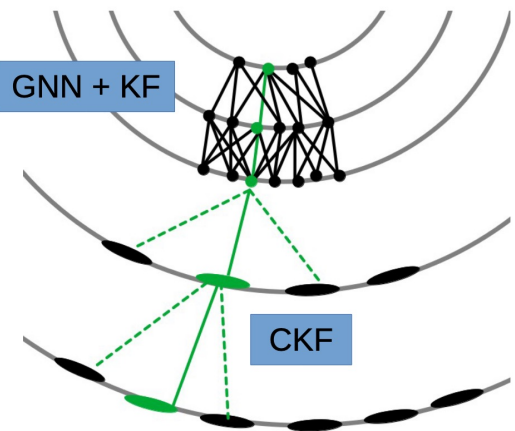
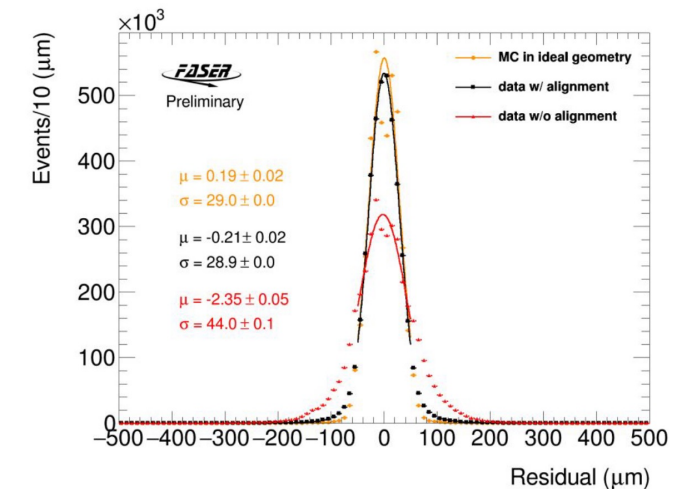


VXD



FASER (LLP detector at LHC) tracking with ACTS

plot from alignment studies



Combining GNN and Kalman filter in ACTS

([link to talk](#))

([link to talk](#))

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But jokes apart, GNN are an extremely powerful tool that will likely have a huge impact on our field.

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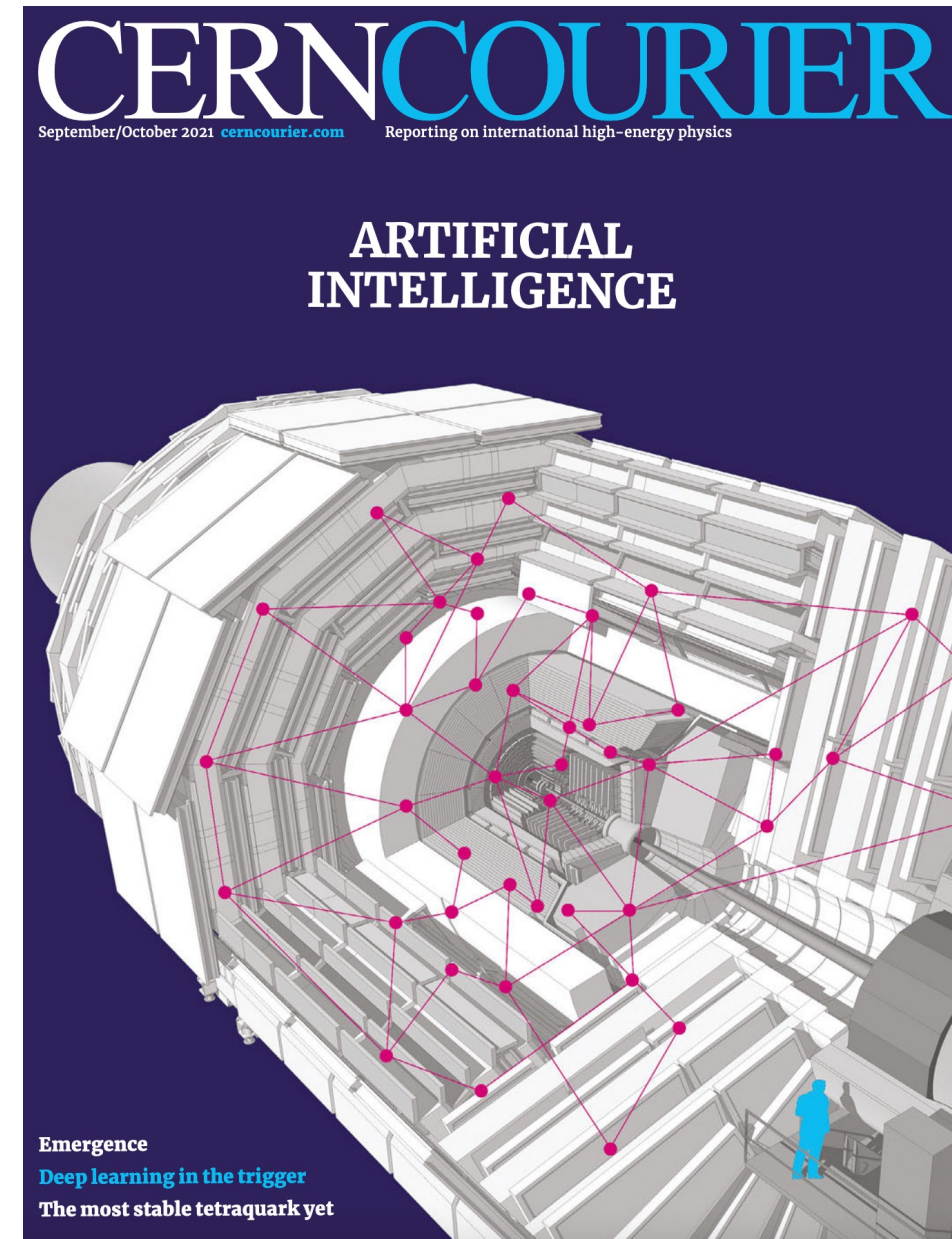
Data from HEP detectors in general,  
and tracking detectors in particular, are sparse.

ATLAS ITk tracker at HL-LHC:  
9 billion channels  
"only" 300k hits in one given event

The detectors are inhomogeneous  
(combine different technologies)  
and have complex geometry.

Such data are hard to represent as images.

Graphs are a natural tools to represent such data.  
GNNs are neural networks that operate on  
graphs of any topology and complexity.



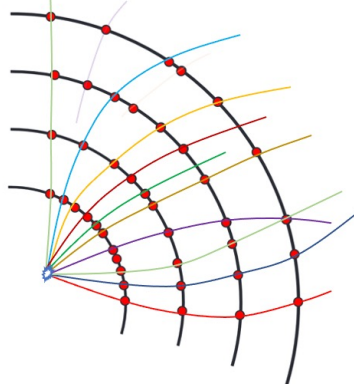
# GNN

## Physics Performance of the ATLAS GNN4ITk track reconstruction chain

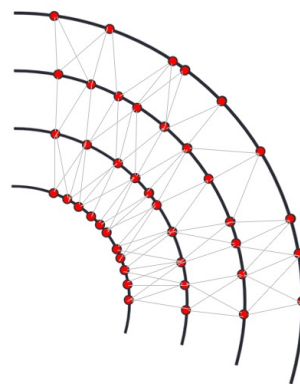
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ITk = new inner tracker  
ATLAS HL-LHC

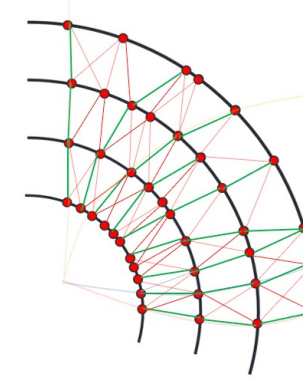
Charged particles leave hits in the detector



Represent the data using a graph



Goal: classify the edges of the graph



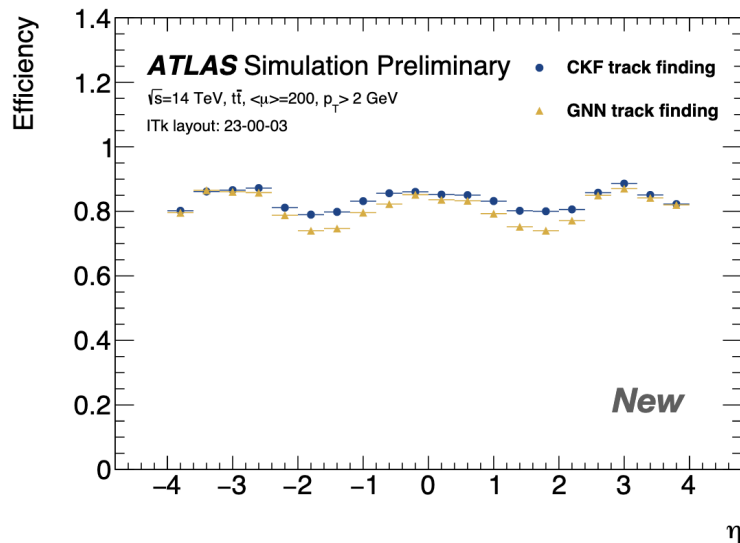
High classification score  
=> high probability  
that the edge is part of  
a track

Low classification score  
=> low probability  
that the edge is part of  
a track

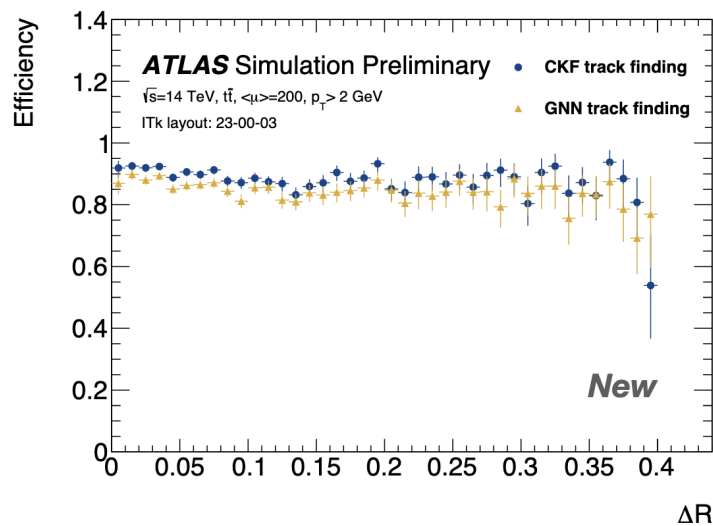
One node of the graph = one hit in the detector

Connect two nodes using an edge  
if "it seems possible" that the two hits  
are two (consecutive) hits on a track

### Competitive physics performance



### ... including in dense environments (jets)



GNN can readily be run massively  
parallel on GPUs.

This is not obvious for classical algorithms  
(in particular the Kalman filter with  
Navigation in complex detector geometries).

## GNN-based pipeline for track finding in the Velo at LHCb

**Allen:** current HLT1,  
classical algorithms on GPU

**Ext4velo:**  
ML algorithm (GNN-based)  
on GPU

### 3. Track-Finding Performance

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Category	Metric	Allen	$S_{\text{triplet}} > 0.32$	$S_{\text{triplet}} > 0.36$
			Ext4velo $d_{\text{max}}^2 = 0.010$	Ext4velo $d_{\text{max}}^2 = 0.020$
<b>Long, no electrons</b> ✓ In acceptance ✓ Reconstructible in the velo ✓ Reconstructible in the SciFi ✓ Not an electron	Efficiency	99.26%	99.28%	99.51%
	Clone rate	2.54%	0.96%	0.89%
	Hit efficiency	96.46%	98.73%	98.90%
	Hit Purity	99.78%	99.94%	99.94%
<b>Long electrons</b> ✓ In acceptance ✓ Reconstructible in the velo ✓ Reconstructible in the SciFi ✓ Electron	Efficiency	97.11%	98.80%	99.22%
	Clone rate	4,25%	7.42%	7.31%
	Hit efficiency	95.24%	96.54%	96.79%
	Hit purity	97.11%	98.46%	98.46%
<b>Long, from strange</b> ✓ In acceptance ✓ Reconstructible in the velo ✓ Decays from a strange <i>Good proxy for displaced tracks</i>	Efficiency	97.69%	97.50%	98.06%
	Clone rate	2.50%	0.92%	0.81%
	Hit efficiency	97.69%	98.22%	98.77%
	Hit purity	99.34%	99.68%	99.68%
X	Ghost rate	2.18%	0.76%	0.81%

- Evaluation with 5,000 events
- **Track matched to a particle** if at least 70% of its hits belong to this particle
- Allen algorithm described in [arXiv:2207.03936v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.03936v2)
- 2 different GNN trainings for  $d_{\text{max}}^2 = 0.010$  and  $d_{\text{max}}^2 = 0.020$

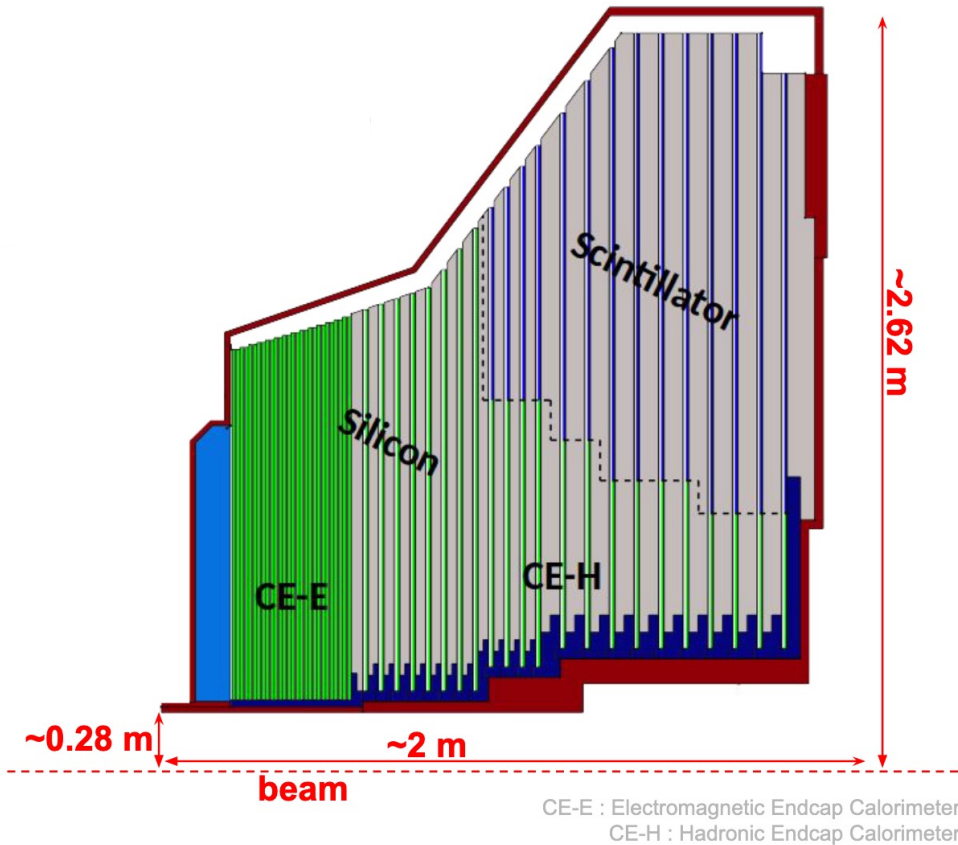
**Long categories**



[\(link to talk\)](#)

# Data from detectors other than trackers

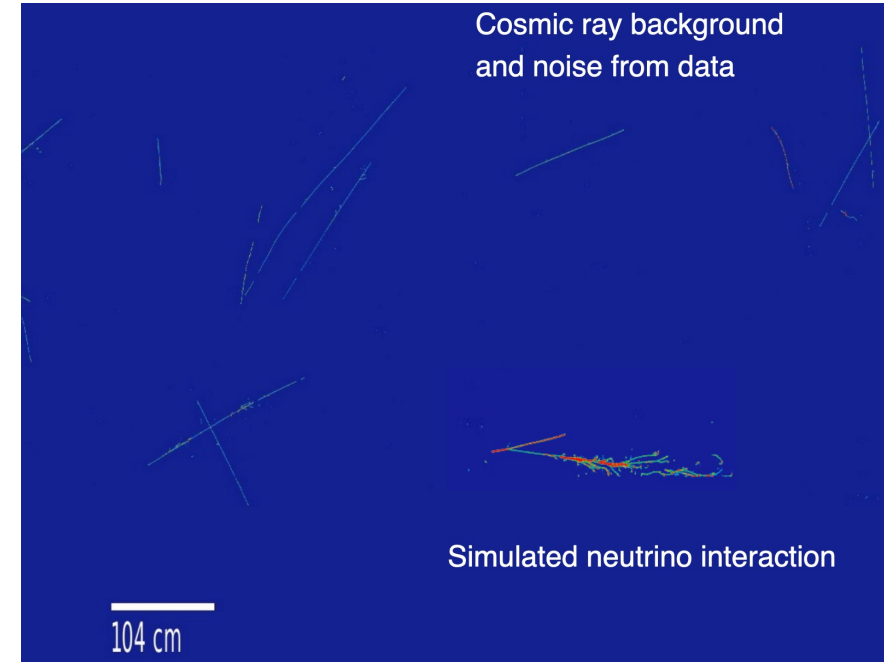
CMS at HL-LHC: HGCal (high-granularity calorimeter)



**k4Clue clustering algorithm** ([talk](#))

**Kalman filter for muon reconstruction in HGCal** ([talk](#))

**Reconstruction in LArTPC detectors** ([link to talk](#))



- NuGraph2 is a multi-purpose GNN architecture for reconstructing neutrino interactions in LArTPC
  - Efficiently reject background detector hits.
  - Classify detector hits according to particle type.
  - Lightweight network, allowing fast inference on CPU and GPU.
  - Preliminary results for vertexing are promising.

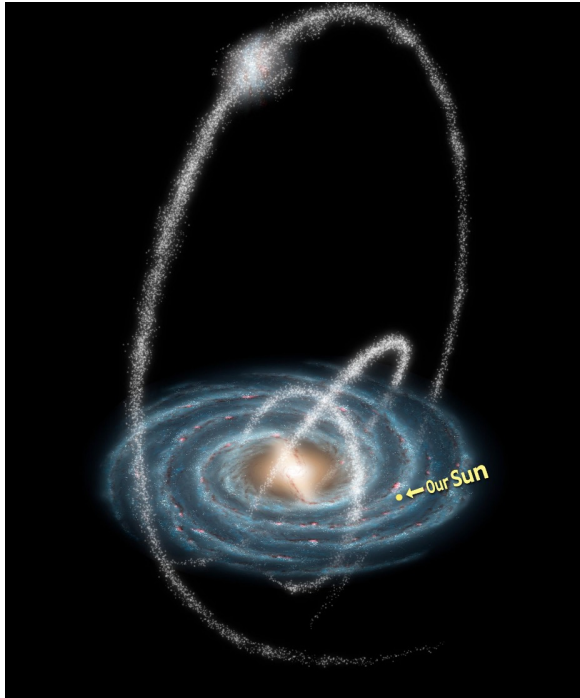


# Data from detectors other than trackers

## Application of HEP track reconstruction methods to Gaia data [\(link to talk\)](#)

### Galactic Structure and Stellar Streams

- Galaxies reside inside a dark matter (DM) halo
- DM halos play a major role in galaxy formation and evolution
- Different stellar populations provide insights into the DM distribution across our galaxy through their progenitors' merging histories.
- In particular, orbits of *stellar streams* show accretion patterns of new matter into our galaxy.

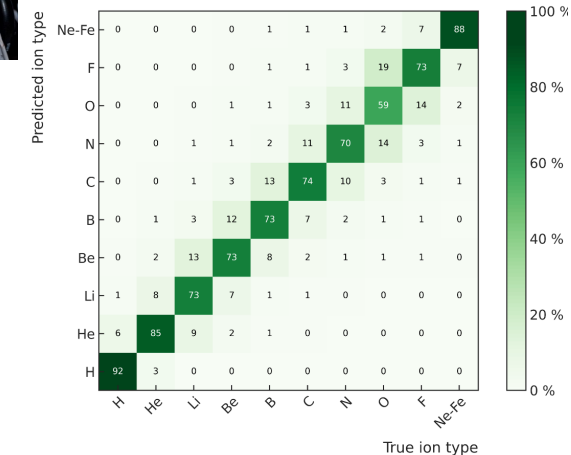


## The RadMap Telescope onboard the International Space Station (1024 scintillating plastic fibres) [\(link to talk\)](#)



Identify different isotopes in the space radiation

NN-based event reconstruction

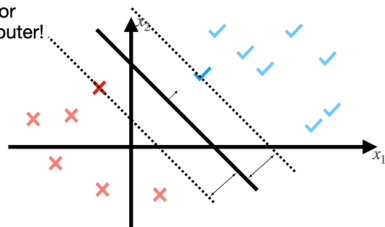
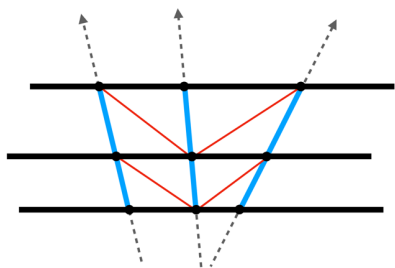


# “Blue sky”

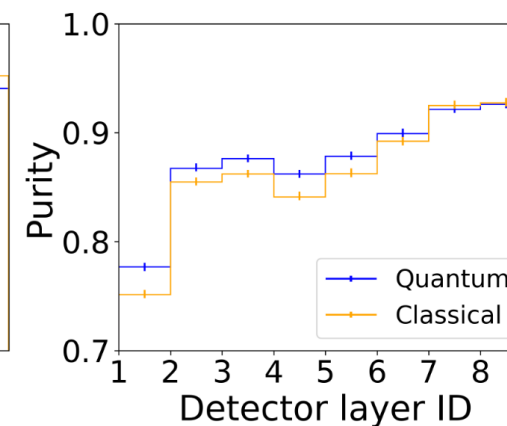
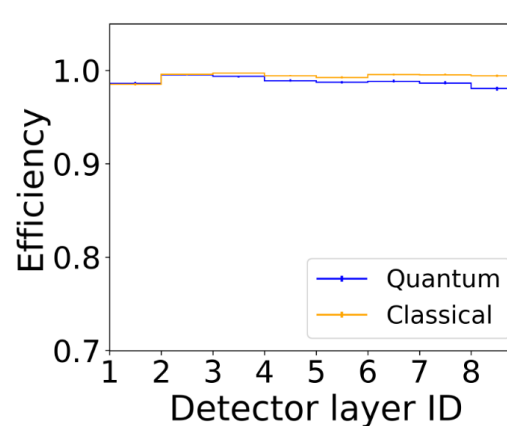
## Reconstructing charged particle track segments with a quantum-enhanced support vector machine (SVP) ([link to talk](#))

### Intro to SVM

Kernel for this with a classical or quantum computer!



Supervised learning -  
show examples to train on,  
test on unseen data



**NOTE:** All results shown here are obtained on a *classical computer pretending to be a quantum computer*

Application of Quantum Annealing with Graph Neural Network preselection in Particle Tracking at LHC ([link to talk](#))

### Object condensation (GNN, non-quantum)

- for track reconstruction at the HL-LHC (two talks: [link](#) and [link](#))
- for end-to-end reconstruction in highly granular calorimeters (talk: [link](#))

# Co-located mini-workshop on real-time tracking (on “triggering using tracks”)

09:00	<b>Directions in Realtime Tracking : Everything, Everywhere, All at Once</b> <i>Auditorium, Le Village</i>	<i>Kristian Hahn</i>	09:00 - 09:30
	<b>Level-1 Tracking at CMS for the HL-LHC</b> <i>Auditorium, Le Village</i>	<i>Sara Fiorendi</i>	09:30 - 09:52
10:00	<b>Standalone track reconstruction and matching algorithms for the GPU-based High Level Trigger at LHCb</b> <i>Auditorium, Le Village</i>	<i>Louis Henry</i>	09:52 - 10:14
	<b>FPGA-based architecture for a real-time track reconstruction in the LHCb Scintillating Fibre Tracker beyond Run 3</b> <i>Michael J. Morello</i>		
11:00	<b>Coffee</b> <i>Place du village, Le Village</i>		10:40 - 11:10
	<b>A real-time demonstrator of track reconstruction with FPGAs at LHCb</b> <i>Auditorium, Le Village</i>	<i>Francesco Terzuoli</i>	11:10 - 11:32
	<b>Trigger Level Tracking With Neural Networks on Heterogeneous Computing Systems</b> <i>Auditorium, Le Village</i>	<i>Alex Gekow</i>	11:32 - 11:54
12:00	<b>Track reconstruction for the ATLAS Phase-II High-Level Trigger using Graph Neural Networks on FPGAs</b> <i>Auditorium, Le Village</i>	<i>Sachin Gupta</i>	11:54 - 12:16
	<b>Studies on track finding algorithms based on machine learning with GPU and FPGA</b> <i>Auditorium, Le Village</i>	<i>Francesco Armando Di Bello</i>	12:16 - 12:38
13:00	<b>Lunch</b> <i>Place du village, Le Village</i>		12:40 - 13:40

From the (excellent) introductory talk ([link](#)):

- **Everything** : Displaced/non-standard tracking, 4D tracking, extended track features
- **Everywhere** : expanding coverage, higher granularity
  - Also, wider application of RT tracking in HEP ...
- **All at once** : pixel in hardware tracking, more intelligence in the front ends, broader movement toward the triggerless model,

# Conclusions/observations

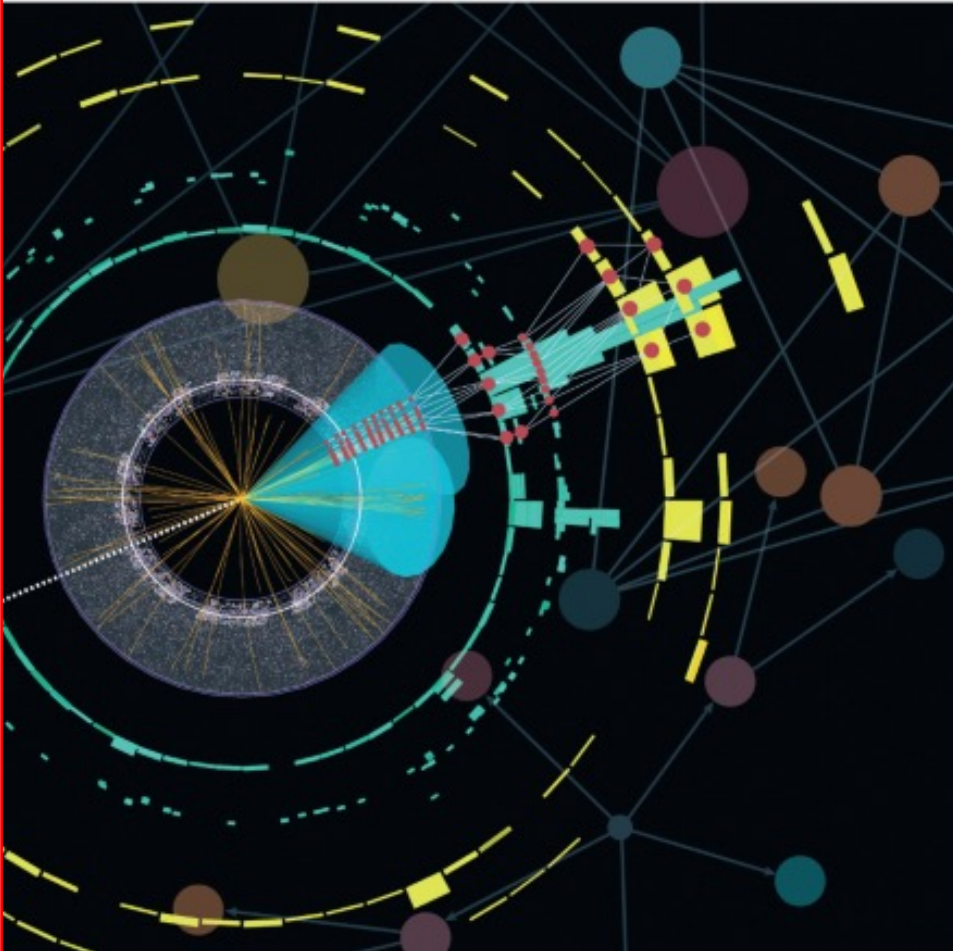
- Workshop format, no parallel sessions
- Excellent mix of material from running experiments, R&D and “blue sky” studies
- Lots of new material released just in time for the workshop
- This was a lively workshop. Discussions all the time (sessions, breaks, social events, ...)
- Very young audience.

A big “thank you” to all participants.





# Additional material



## Graph neural networks at the Large Hadron Collider

[Gage DeZoort](#) , [Peter W. Battaglia](#), [Catherine Biscarat](#) & [Jean-Roch Vlimant](#)

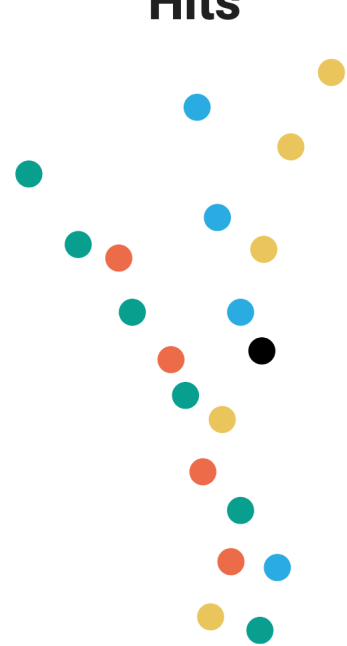
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# Object condensation tracking

## Vision: One-shot tracking with learned clustering

Hits



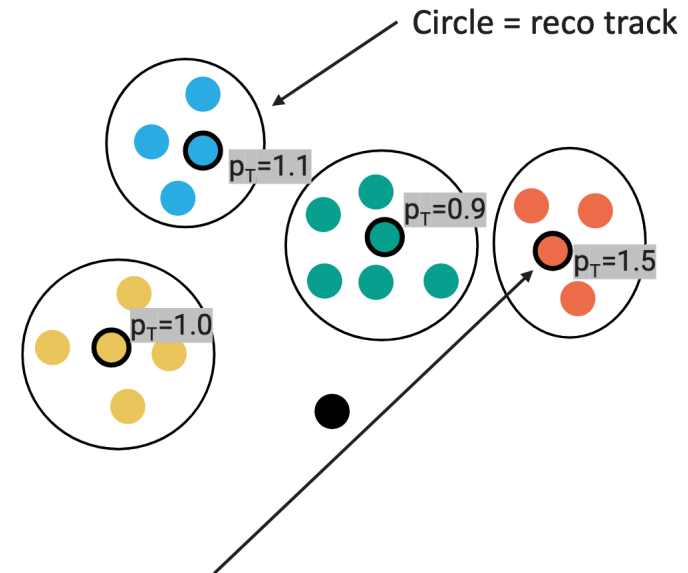
Hit coordinates + cluster shapes

**ML model**  
GNN or Transformer

Trained with  
**Repulsive & attractive**  
loss functions

**Learnt latent space**

Hits clustered by particle



**Condensation point** =influencer in influencer approach  
Represents the track, can learn track parameters like  $p_T$  (WIP for our approach)

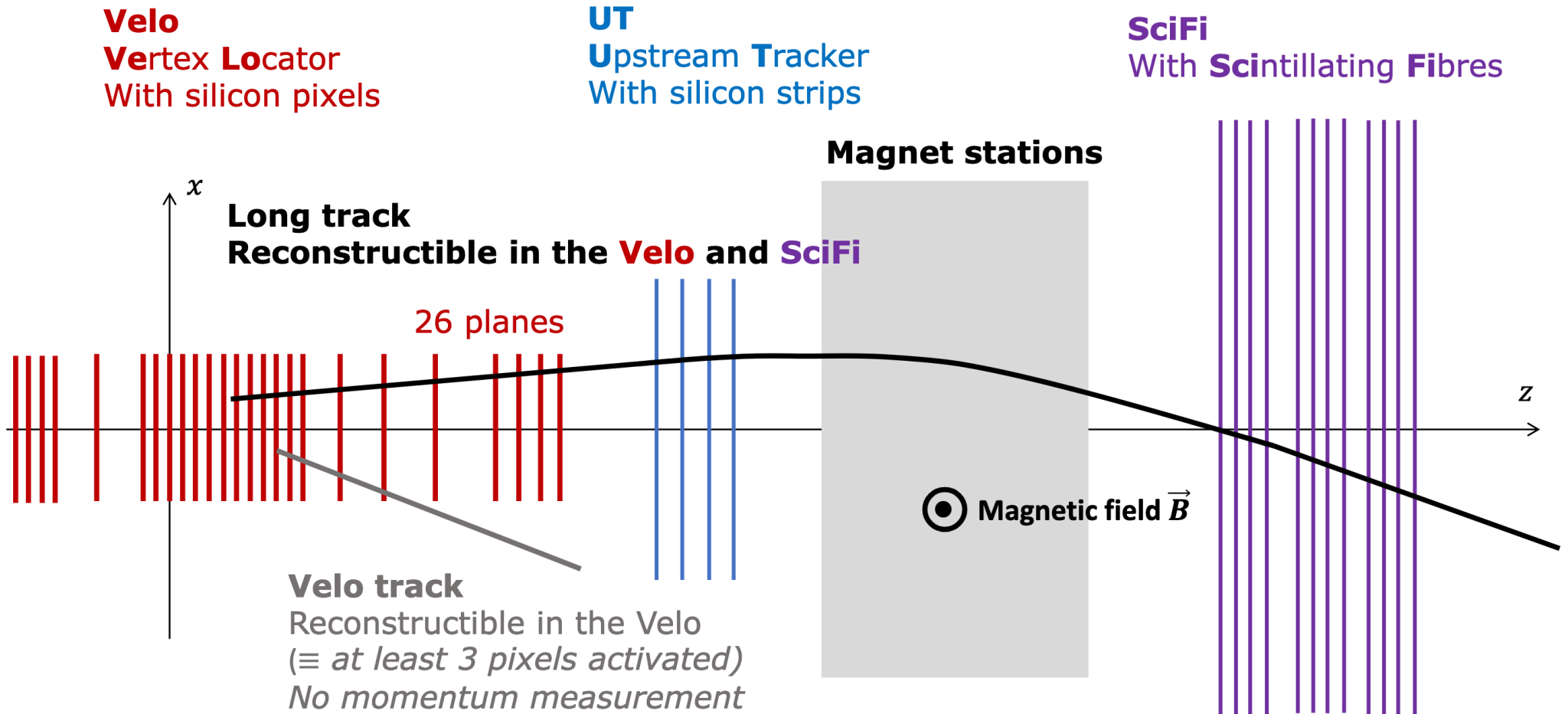
No time resolution of points  
⇒ Everything everywhere all at once



# LHCb Detector in Run 3

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## Tracks



[\(link to talk\)](#)



# Research topics at L2IT

Development of new methods  
for simulation and data analysis

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Higgs potential ?

- its origin
- its role during the first instants  
of the Universe

(electroweak baryogenesis ?,  
emission of gravitational waves ?)

How do gravitational waves  
propagate in the Universe ?

- information on the nature of  
dark energy ?
- modified gravitation ?

How does nuclear matter  
behave under extreme conditions  
(density, pressure) ?

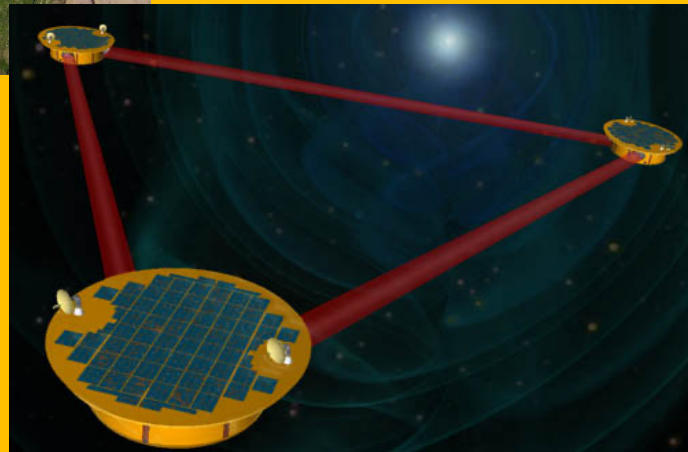
- compact stars
- impact on the emission of  
gravitational waves and  
neutrinos

# Research topics at L2IT

## Gravitational waves



Virgo detector



Future LISA mission (3 satellites)

new methods  
and data analysis

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## Nuclear physics



INDRA-FAZIA experiment at *Grand Accélérateur National d'Ions Lourds* (GANIL, Caen)

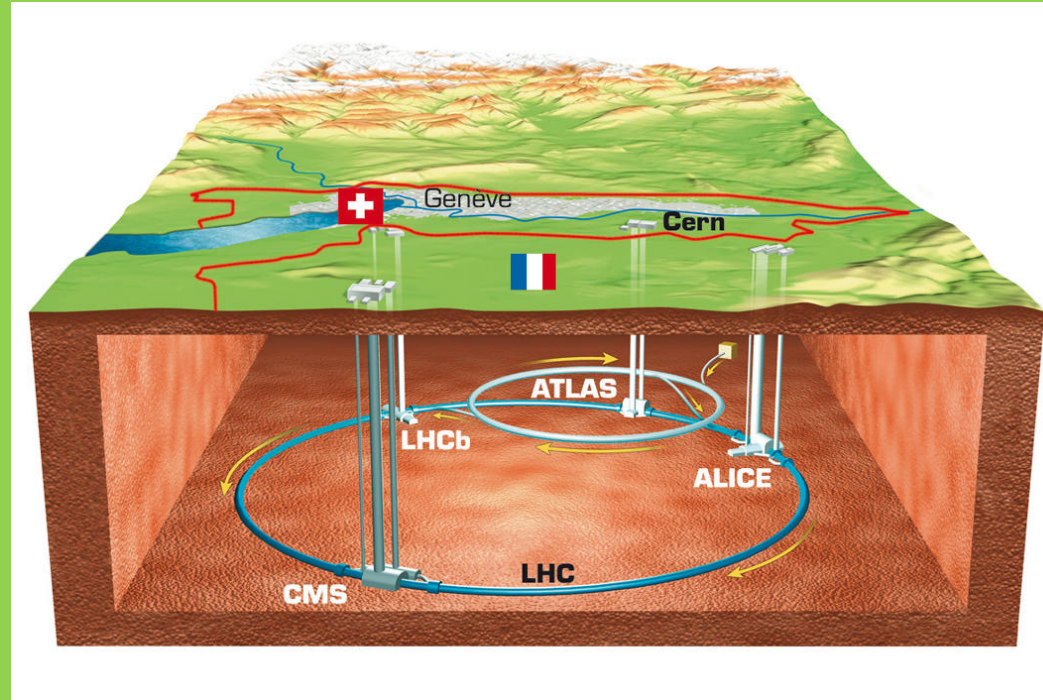
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→ impact of the emission of gravitational waves and neutrinos

# Research topics at L2IT

What is the shape of the Higgs potential ?  
→ its origin  
→ its role in the first  
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(electroweak baryogenesis)  
emission of gravitational

## Physique des particules



## ATLAS experiment at CERN

gravitational waves and neutrinos

# Research topics at L2IT

## Defining feature:

Focus on novel analysis methods

Modelling, simulation and modern analysis techniques are the main focus of L2IT.

We are developing these innovative aspects of research in the fields of nuclear and particle physics and cosmology, in close collaboration with experts from Toulouse's ecosystem of research in computing, artificial intelligence, physics, astronomy and astrophysics.

→ impact on the emission of  
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