

# STCF Offline Simulation and Reconstruction Software

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# The Super Tau Charm Facility

From [H.P. Peng's talk](#)

超级陶粲装置将为研究物质基本构成和检验基本对称性提供独特装置



# Requirements of offline software at STCF

Higher event rate, background, CPU consumption at STCF than BESIII

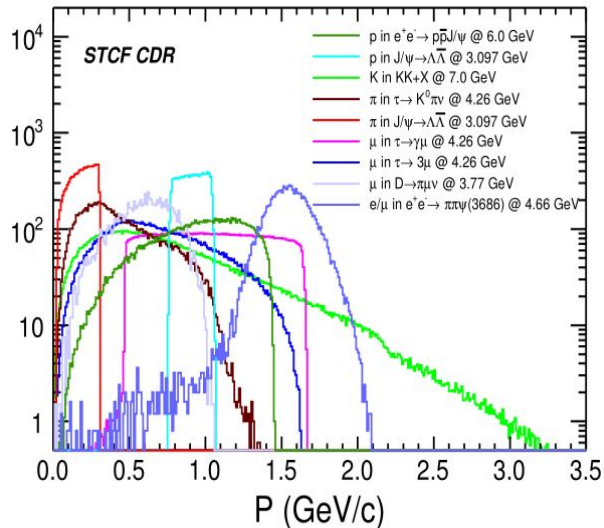
→ i.e. we need **reconstruct** the tracks and photon **with good efficiency and resolution**, and **identify** them **at high accuracy**, with **good speed**

Process	Physics Interest	Optimized Subdetector	Requirements
$\tau \rightarrow K_s \pi \nu_\tau$ , $J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}$ , $D_{(s)}$ tag	CPV in the $\tau$ sector, CPV in the hyperon sector, Charm physics	ITK+MDC	acceptance: 93% of $4\pi$ ; trk. eff.: > 99% at $p_T > 0.3$ GeV/c; > 90% at $p_T = 0.1$ GeV/c $\sigma_p/p = 0.5\%$ , $\sigma_{\gamma\phi} = 130$ $\mu\text{m}$ at 1 GeV/c
$e^+ e^- \rightarrow KK + X$ , $D_{(s)}$ decays	Fragmentation function, CKM matrix, LQCD etc.	PID	$\pi/K$ and $K/\pi$ misidentification rate < 2% PID efficiency of hadrons > 97% at $p < 2$ GeV/c
$\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$ , $\tau \rightarrow \gamma\mu$ , $D_s \rightarrow \mu\nu$	cLFV decay of $\tau$ , CKM matrix, LQCD etc.	PID+MUD	$\mu/\pi$ suppression power over 30 at $p < 2$ GeV/c, $\mu$ efficiency over 95% at $p = 1$ GeV/c
$\tau \rightarrow \gamma\mu$ , $\psi(3686) \rightarrow \gamma\eta(2S)$	cLFV decay of $\tau$ , Charmonium transition	EMC	$\sigma_E/E \approx 2.5\%$ at $E = 1$ GeV $\sigma_{\text{pos}} \approx 5$ mm at $E = 1$ GeV
$e^+ e^- \rightarrow n\bar{n}$ , $D_0 \rightarrow K_L \pi^+ \pi^-$	Nucleon structure Unity of CKM triangle	EMC+MUD	$\sigma_T = \frac{300}{\sqrt{p^3(\text{GeV}^3)}} \text{ ps}$

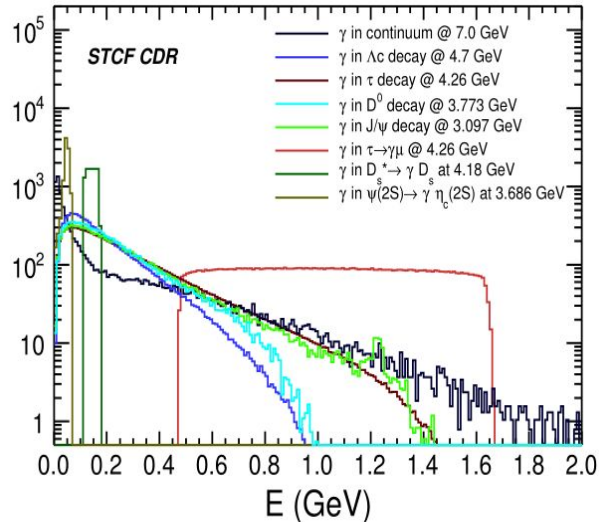
# Particles at STCF

- Charged particles
  - $e, \mu, K, \pi, \text{proton}$  (most have  $p < 2 \text{ GeV}$ , lots have  $p < 400 \text{ MeV}$ )
- Neutral particles
  - $\gamma$  (energy coverage:  $25 \text{ MeV} - 3.5 \text{ GeV}$ ) and  $K_L, \text{neutron}$  (up to  $1.6 \text{ GeV}$ )

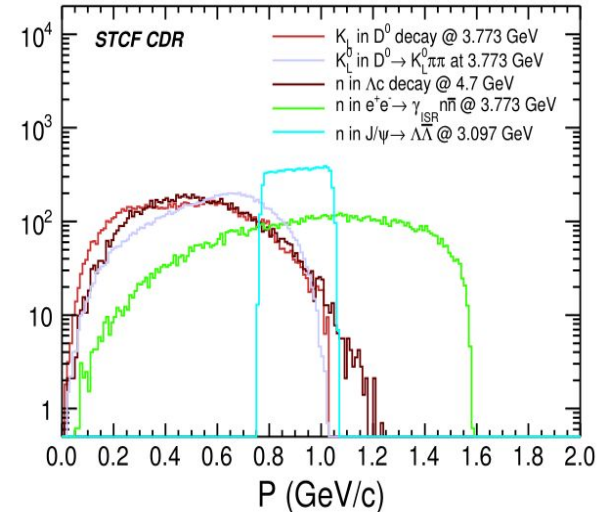
Charged particle momentum



Photon energy

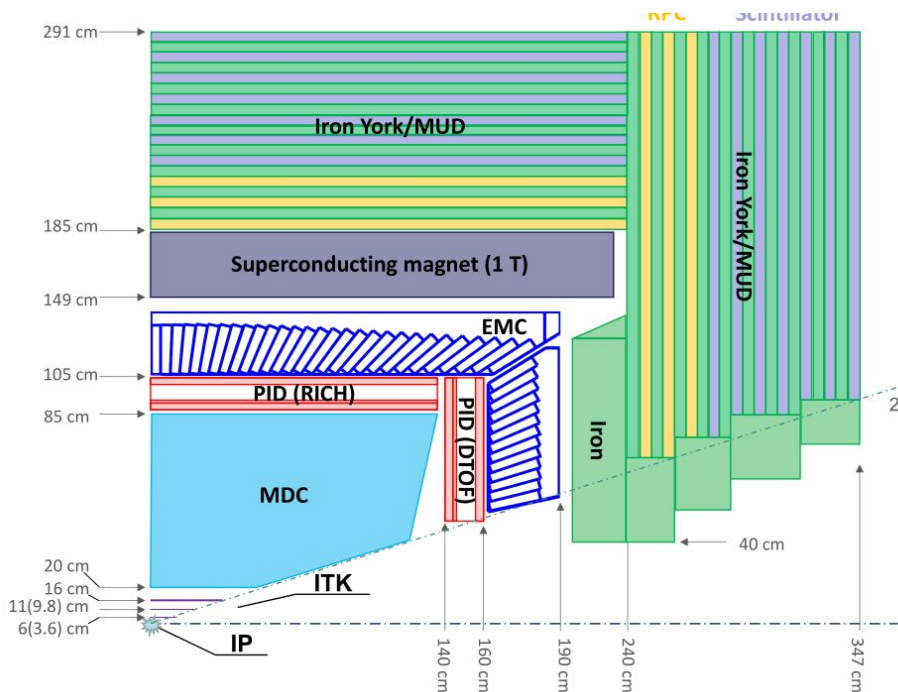


$K_L, n$  momentum



From STCF CDR, [Front. Phys. 19, 14701 \(2024\)](#)

# The detector and performance requirements



See an overview in [J.B. Liu's talk](#)

## ITK (cylindrical MPGD/ CMOS MAPS)

- Material  $< 0.01 X_0$ ,  $\sigma_{xy} < 100 \mu\text{m}$

## MDC (drift chamber) (more in [M. Peng's talk](#))

- Material  $< 0.05 X_0$
- $\sigma_{xy} < 130 \mu\text{m}$ ,  $\sigma_p/p < 0.5\%$  at 1 GeV/c
- $dE/dx$  resolution  $< 6\%$

## RICH (CsI-MPGD) & DTOF (DIRC-like TOF)

- PID  $\pi/K$  PID efficiency  $> 97\%$  up to 2 GeV/c @ mis-ID rate 2% (more about RICH in [Q. Liu's talk](#))

## EMC (pure CsI + APD) (more in [B. Wang's talk](#))

- $\sigma_E < 2.5\%$ ,  $\sigma_{\text{pos}} < 5 \text{ mm}$ ,  $\sigma_t < 300 \text{ ps}$  @ 1 GeV

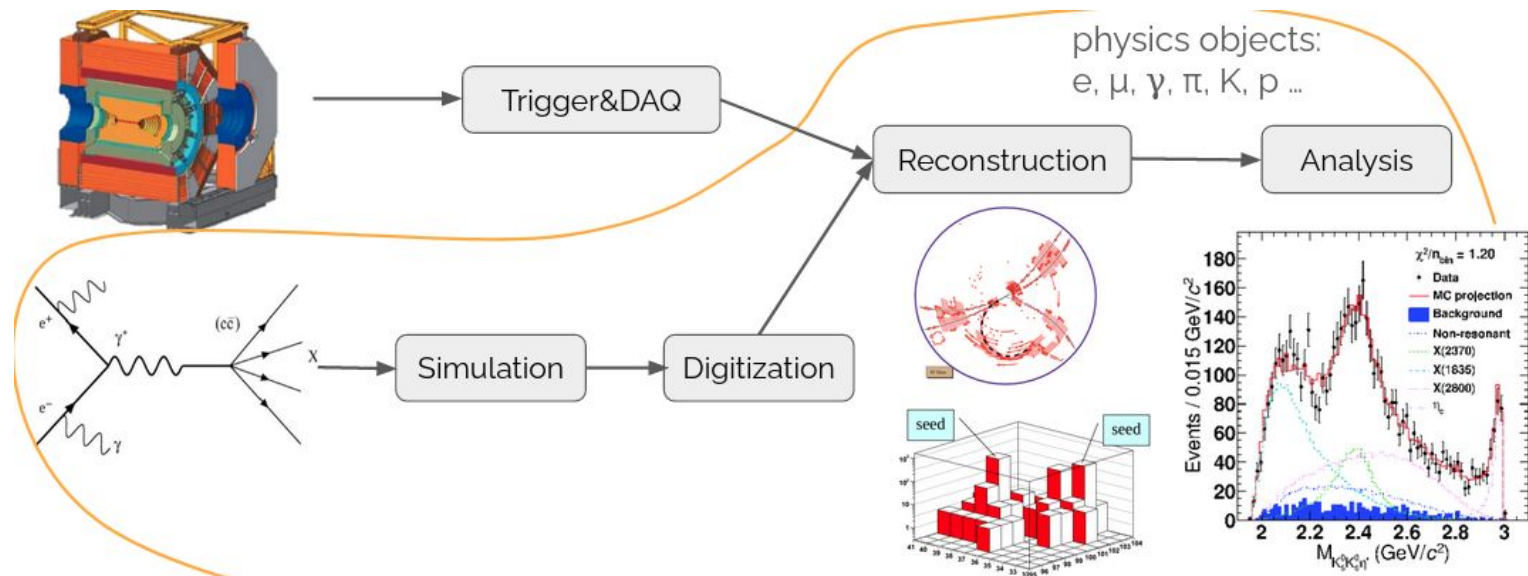
## MUD (RPC + scintillator strips)

- $\mu$  PID efficiency  $> 95\%$  with  $\pi \rightarrow \mu$  mis-ID rate  $< 3.3\%$  @  $p = 1 \text{ GeV}/c$

STCF offline software OSCAR

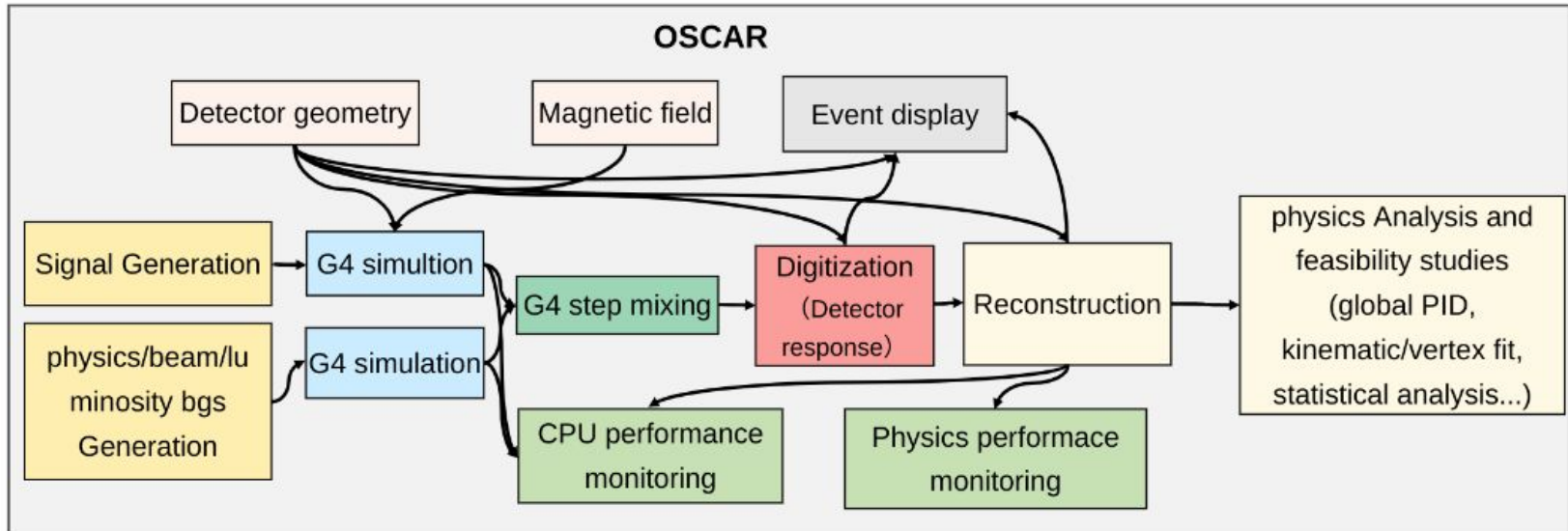
# The crucial role of HEP offline software

- Offline software of experiment is the “**converter**” from detector data to physics data to **make all physics analysis and possible!**
- Plays a crucial role for **detector design, alignment** and **defects/aging detection**



# The Offline Software of Super Tau-Charm Facility (OSCAR)

- OSCAR Provides common functionalities for **detector design**, **offline event simulation**, **reconstruction**, **calibration** and **physics analysis** at STCF
  - A full chain of simulation + digitization + reconstruction + analysis has been established, driving physics feasibility studies at STCF!
  - **Machine learning explored** in simulation (e.g. EMC), reconstruction (tracking, PID...) and analysis...

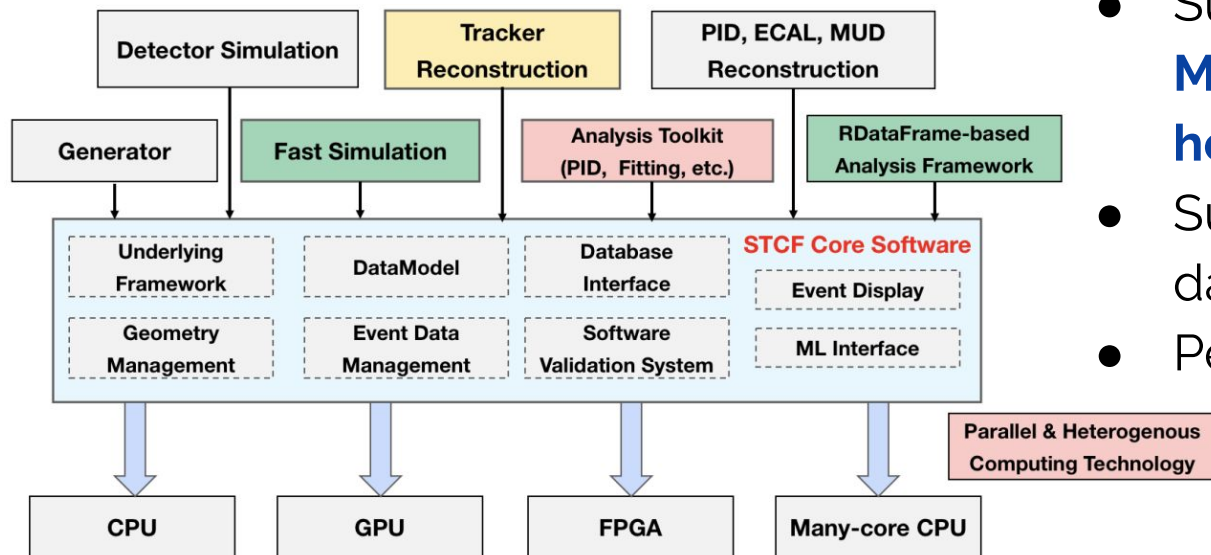




# OSCAR Core Software features

- [W.H. Huang et al 2023 JINST 18 P03004](#)
- More in [T. Li's slides](#)

- Underlying event loop control using **SNiPER** (adopted also by JUNO, LHAASO, nEXO, HERD)
- Event Data Model (EDM) based on **podio** (key4hep adopted by CEPC, FCC...)
- Detector description using **DD4hep**



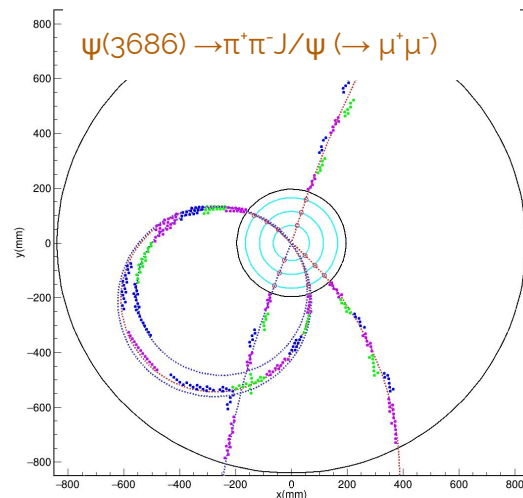
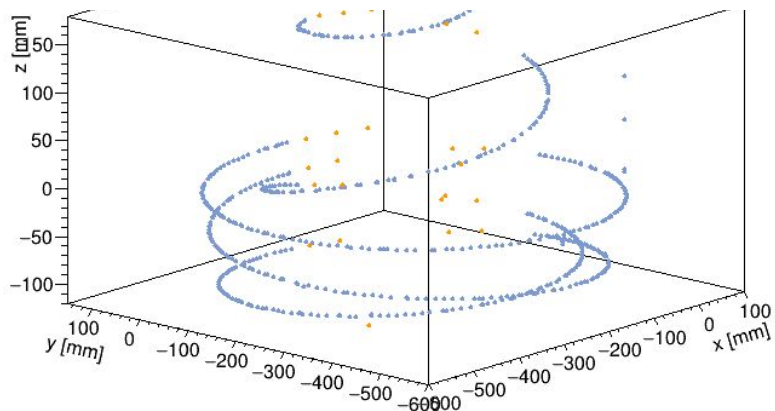
- Supports **multithreading**, **Machine Learning** and **heterogeneous computing**
- Supports **event display**, database, tests...
- Performance **monitoring**

STCF [tracking/y](#) performance

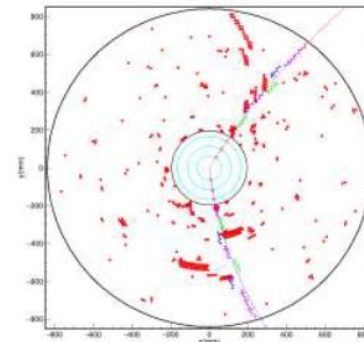
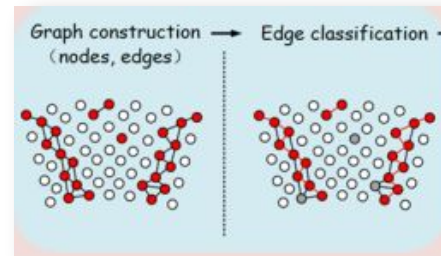
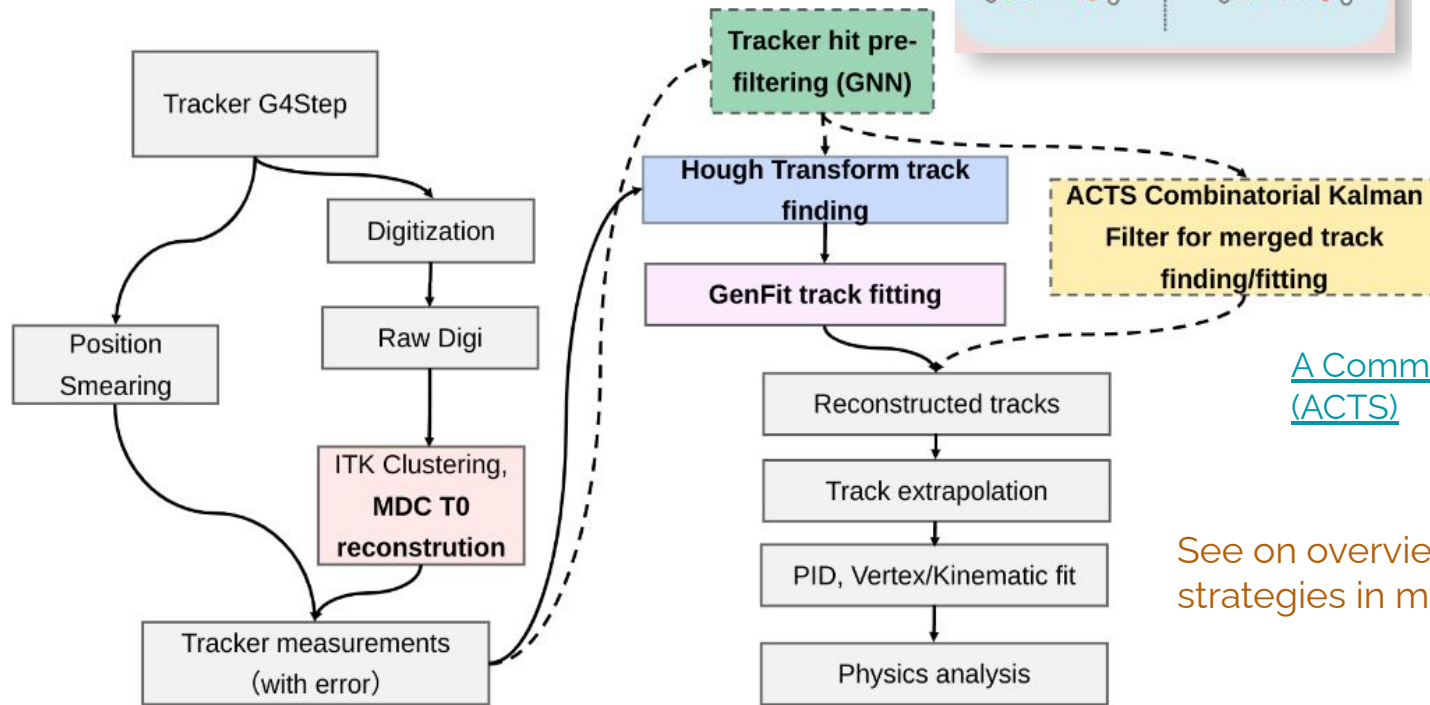
# STCF tracking challenges

- Most physics processes have charged particles with  $p_T < 500 \text{ MeV}/c$ 
  - More material effects  $\rightarrow$  worse resolution
  - Looping tracks with  $p_T < 130 \text{ MeV}/c \rightarrow$  fake/duplicate tracks
- High backgrounds and noise  $\rightarrow$  worse efficiency and resolution
- Long-lived particles (non-trivial task in all HEP experiments!)

Simulated trajectory of single muon  
with  $p_T = 100 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $\theta = 90^\circ$



# STCF tracking landscape



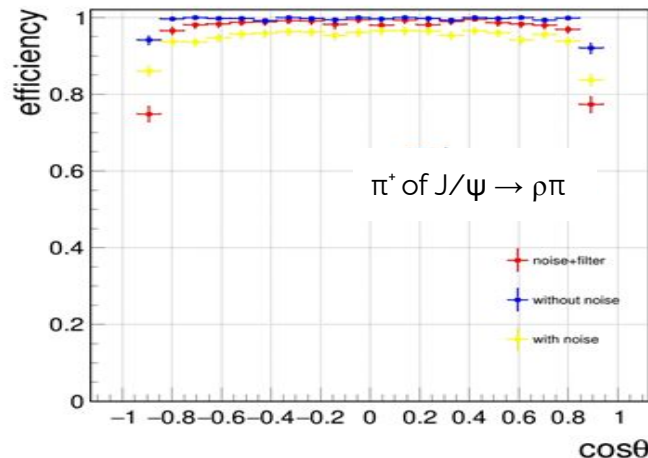
[A Common Tracking Software \(ACTS\)](#)

See on overview of HEP tracking strategies in my slides [here](#)

Dashed lines denote functionalities to be integrated into OSCAR

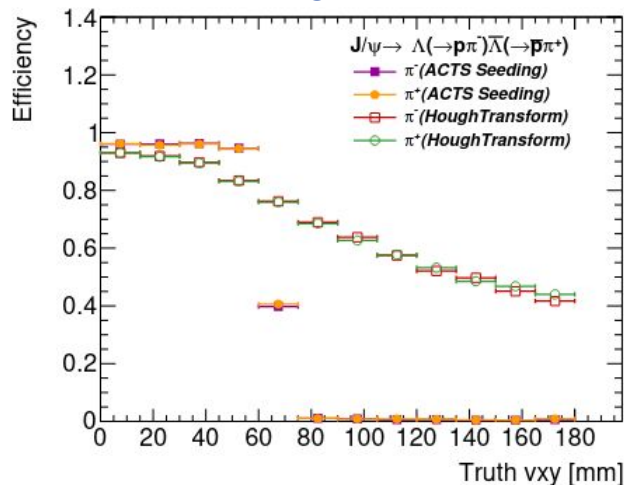
# Tracking performance

GNN + Hough Transform  
W/ and W/O backgrounds



More about STCF tracking in [H. Zhou's slides](#)

Hough Transform + ACTS  
W/O backgrounds



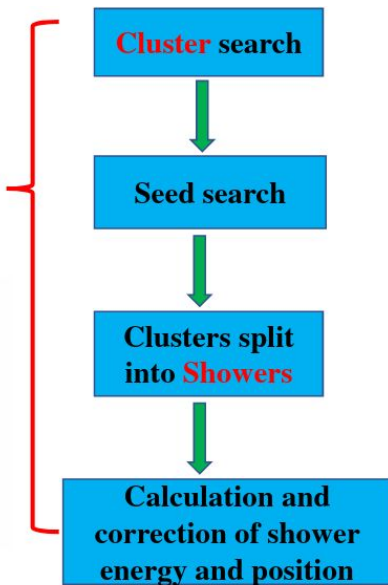
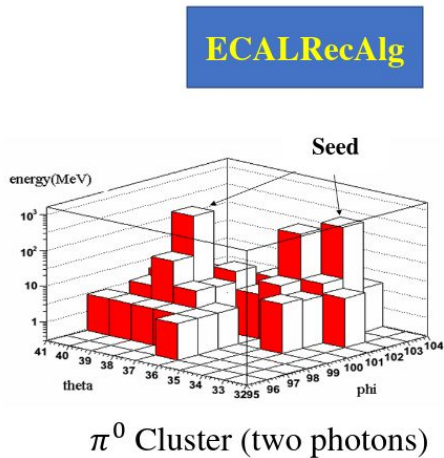
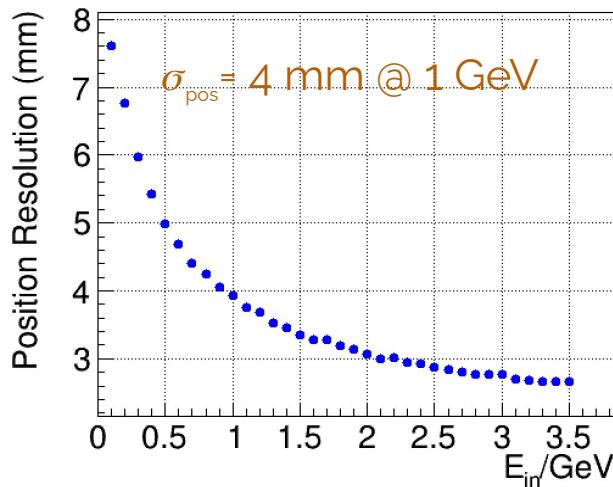
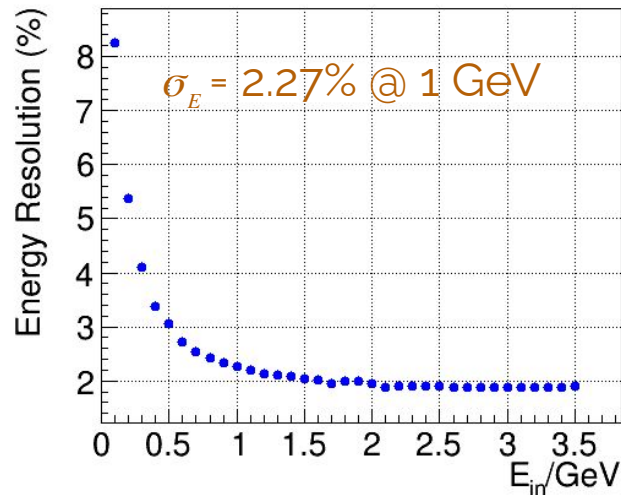
- Combination of global and local tracking strategies to achieve the maximum performance (Hough Transform, ACTS, GenFit, GNN)
  - Tracking efficiency is **above 95%** in central region for  $p_T > 100$  MeV/c, even with backgrounds
  - 99% noise hits can be removed by GNN ([more in X.Q. Jia's talk](#))

# $\gamma$ performance

More about EMC in [B. Wang's talk](#)



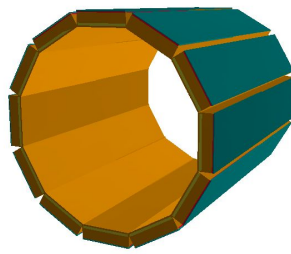
- Performance with sophisticated simulation and reconstruction meets the CDR requirements



# STCF PID performance

# RICH reconstruction

More about RICH in [Q. Liu's talk](#)

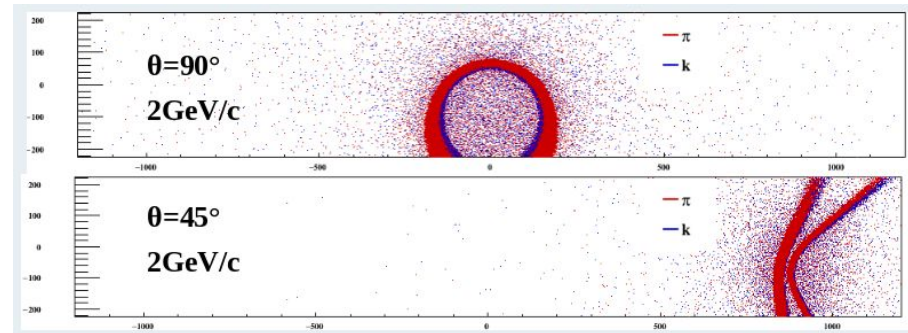
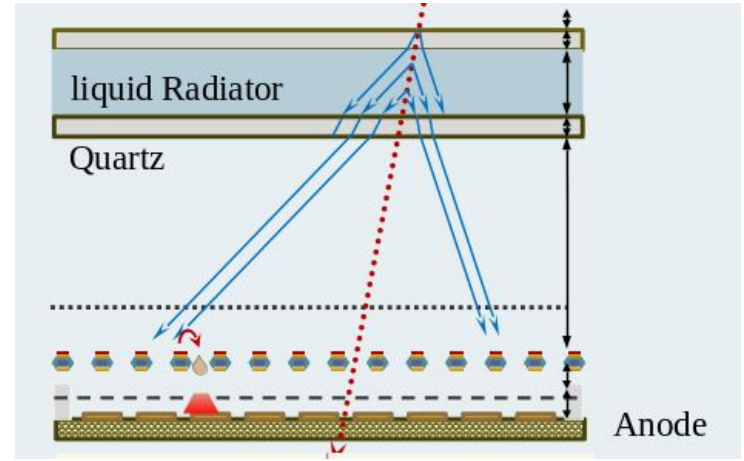


- Different distribution of number of cherenkov photons for different particles
- For each particle hypothesis  $h$ , log-likelihood defined as

$$\ln \mathcal{L}_h = \sum_{signal} \ln(PDF_{Ckv} + PDF_{Bkg})$$

simplified from Poisson

- $PDF_{Ckv}$  is calculated on-the-fly based on extrapolated track momentum/position
- $DLL_{\pi K} = \ln \mathcal{L}_{\pi} - \ln \mathcal{L}_K$  provides particle ID



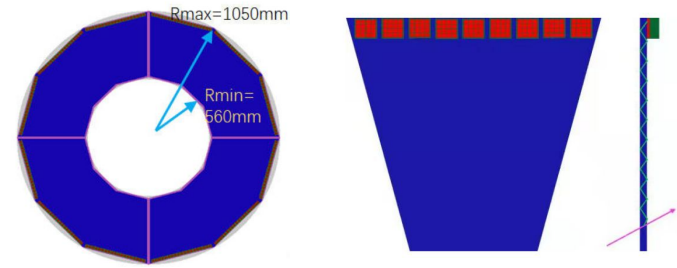


# DTOF reconstruction

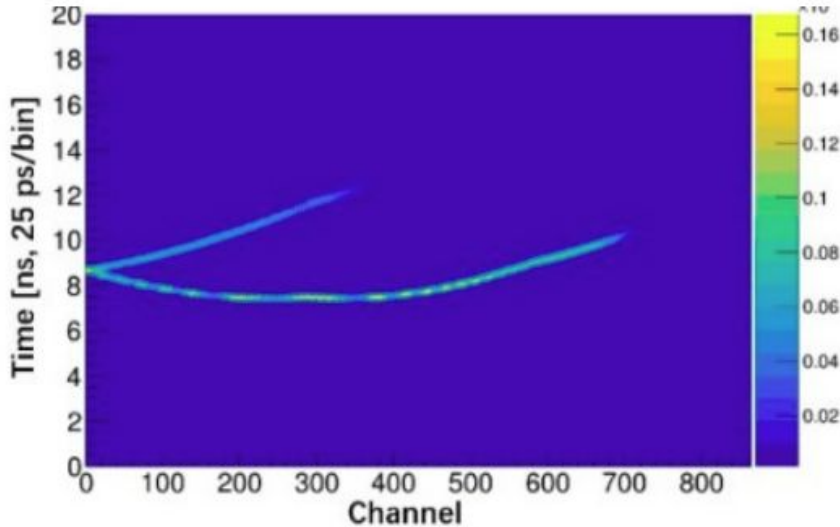
- Timing method (TOF):
- Image method (Time vs Position) has

better performance :

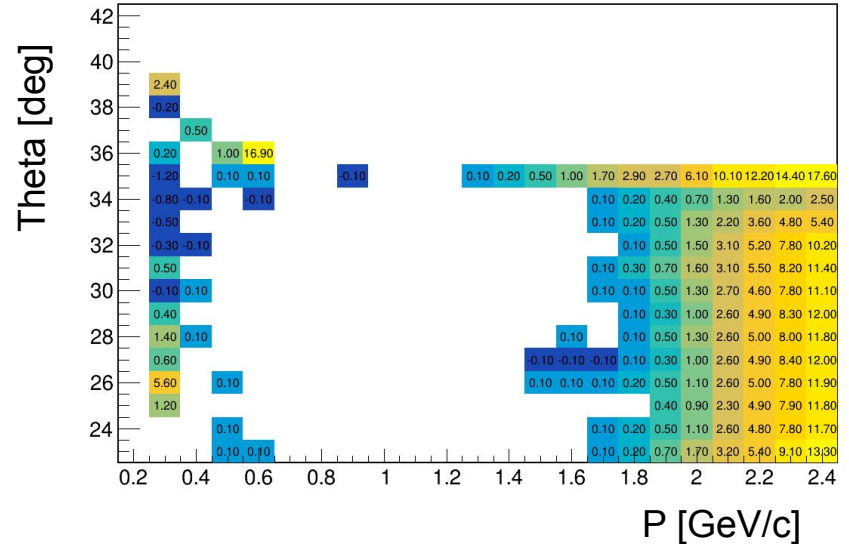
$$L_h = \prod_{i=1}^{N_{p.e.}} \tilde{N}_h S_h(ch_i, t_i) + B$$



More details in [Y.T. Feng's slides](#)



Difference of  $\pi$  PID eff. @2%  $K \rightarrow \pi$  mis-ID rate, W/ backgrounds, using the two methods

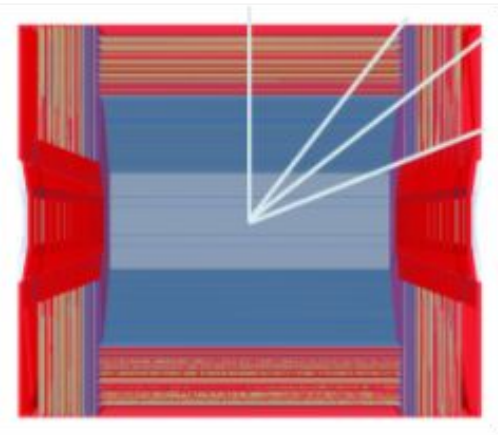


# MUD reconstruction

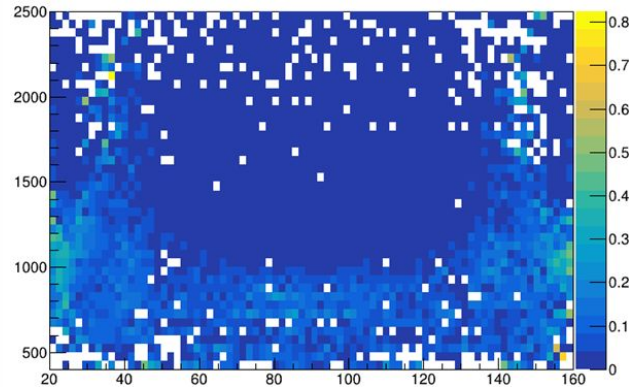
More details in [Y.L. Liu's slides](#)

- Associate MUD hits/clusters to :
  - charged tracks based on extrapolated track position & momentum
  - $n/K_L$  based on their ECAL showers
- Fine-binned BDT training using tracking + EMC + MUD reco features

TrackInfo	ClusterInfo
MomentumMag	SeedTheta
SeedTheta	SeedPhi
SeedPhi	DeltaTheta
DeltaTheta	DeltaPhi
DeltaPhi	LargestDistance
LargestDistance	Velocity
Velocity	MaxHitLayer
MaxHitLayer	MaxHit
MaxHit	LastLayer
LastLayer	PSHitCenter
HitAverageDistance	LowHitCenter
HitEntries	HitEntries
HitInRPC	HitInRPC
HitInPS	HitInPS
TrackType	PSHitNorm1
TrackQuality	PSHitNorm2
EcalEnergy	TrackType
EcalSeedEnergy	EcalEnergy
ESeed/E3x3	EcalSeedEnergy
ESeed/E5x5	ESeed/E3x3
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	EcalDev



PID eff. binned - PID eff. unbinned



BDT features

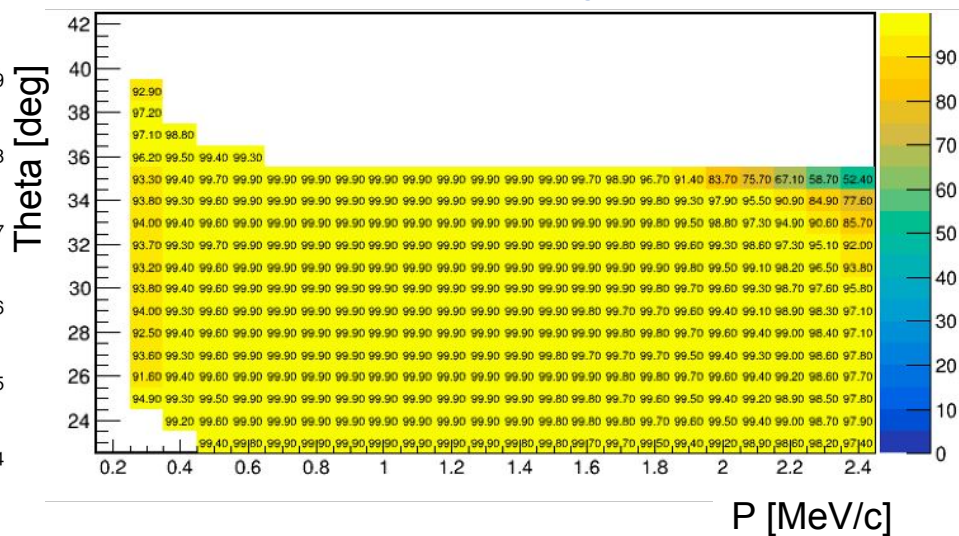
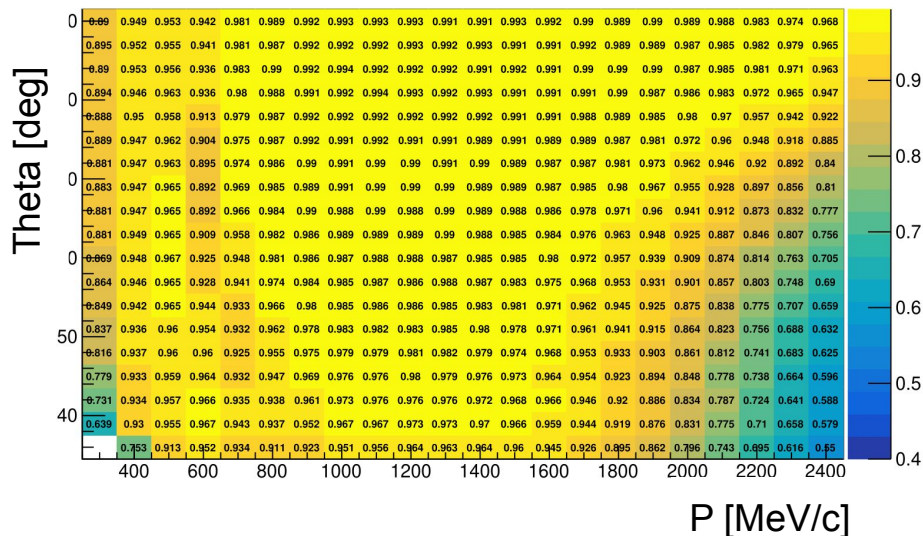
# $\pi/K$ PID efficiency with traditional likelihood method

- 97%  $\pi/K$  PID efficiency for  $0.7 \text{ GeV} < p < 2 \text{ GeV}$  with  $\theta > 74^\circ$ 
  - Room for improvement for 2 GeV with smaller  $\theta$
- $> 97\%$   $\pi/K$  PID efficiency for  $0.35 \text{ GeV} < p < 2 \text{ GeV}$  with  $24^\circ < \theta < 35^\circ$

$\pi$  PID eff. @2%  $K \rightarrow \pi$  mis-ID rate, W/ backgrounds

From RICH

From DTOF (image method)

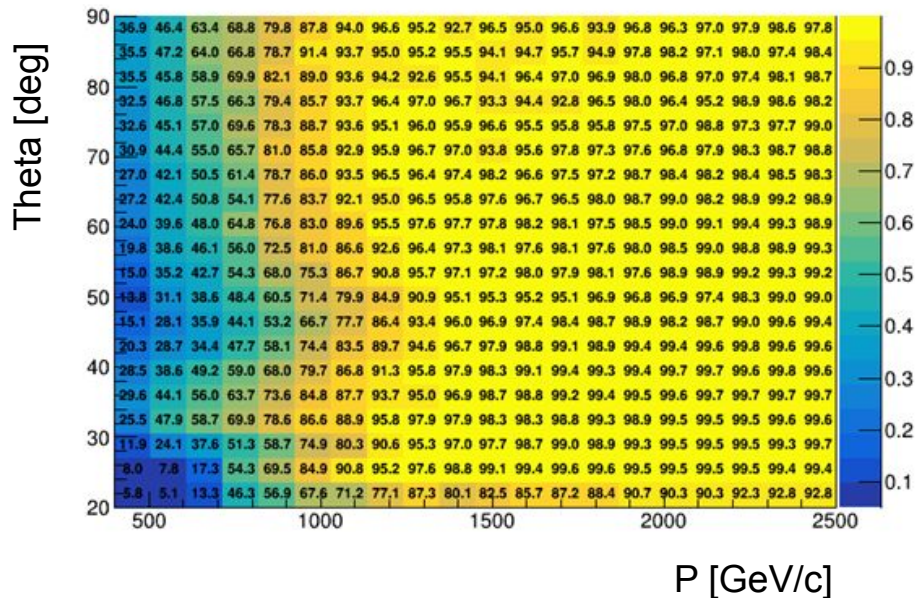




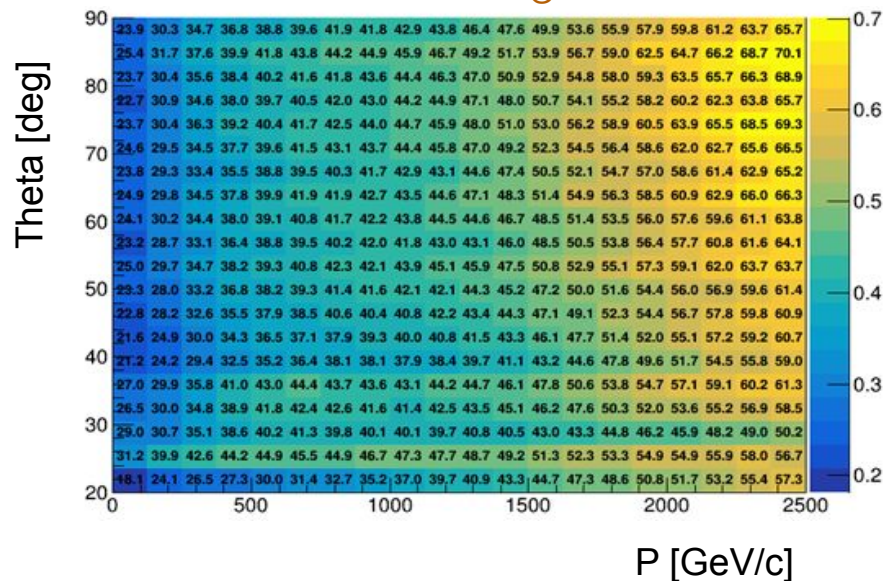
# $\mu/\pi$ and $(n, K_L)/\gamma$ PID efficiency with MUD

- >95%  $\mu$  PID efficiency for  $p > 1.2$  GeV (room for improvement for lower  $p$ )
- $n/K_L$  PID performance is preliminary. Below 70% for now (>95% is expected)

**$\mu$  PID efficiency @3.3%  $\pi \rightarrow \mu$**   
mis-ID rate, W backgrounds

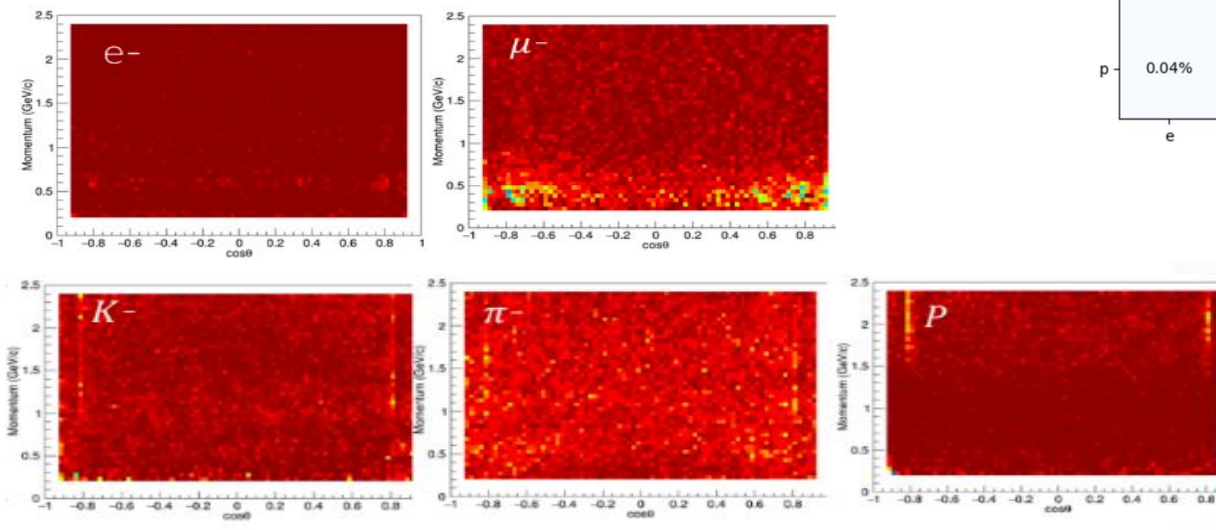


**$n/K_L$  PID efficiency @3.3%  $\gamma \rightarrow n/K_L$**   
mis-ID rate, W/ backgrounds

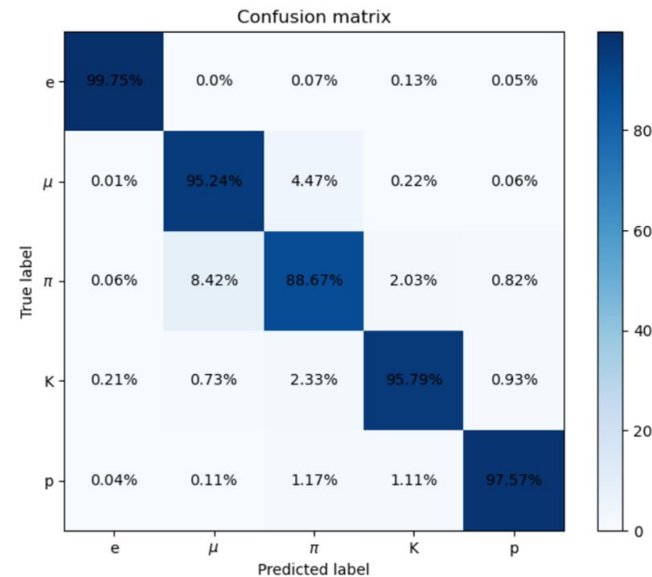


# Global PID using BDT

- Using **45 features from Tracker/dEdx/RICH/DTOF/EMC/MUD**
- PID efficiency above 95% for other particles except  $\pi$



More details in [Y. C. Zhai's talk](#)



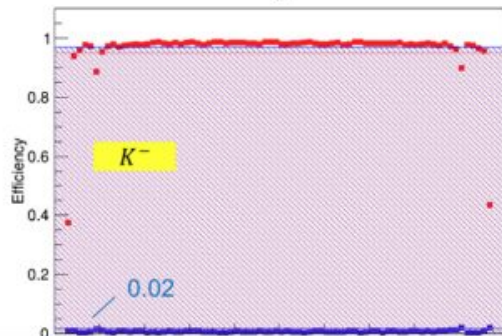
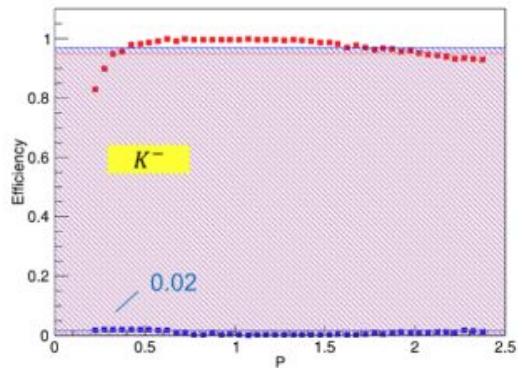
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# Global PID performance

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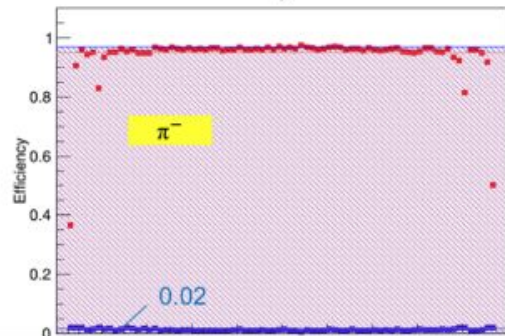
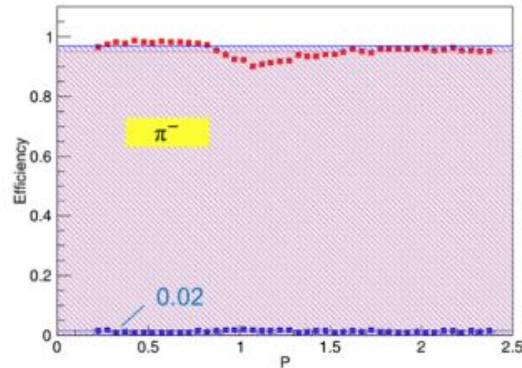
- **$K/p$  (误鉴别 < 2%) :**

- $P < 0.4 \text{ GeV}/c$  : PID 效率 > 80%
- $P$  直到  $2 \text{ GeV}/c$  : PID 效率 > 95%



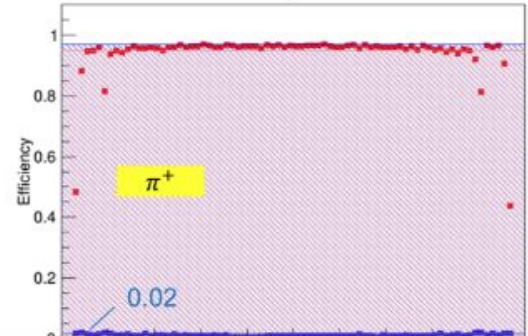
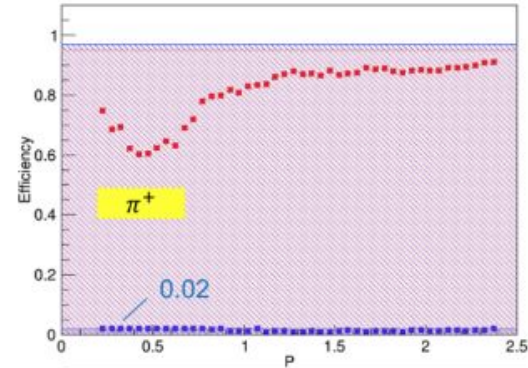
- **$K/\pi$  (误鉴别 < 2%) :**

- $P < 0.8 \text{ GeV}/c$  : PID 效率 ~ 97%
- 动量大于  $1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$  : PID 效率 ~ 95%



- **$\mu/\pi$  (误鉴别 < 2%) :**

- PID 效率 : > 60%



# Summary

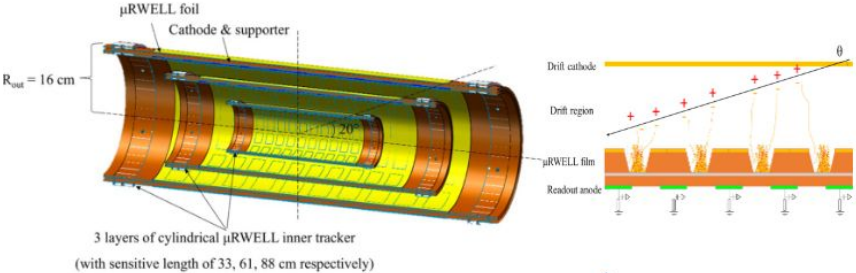


# Summary

- The STCF offline software allows for a **full event processing chain** supporting STCF detector design, optimization and physics simulation
- **Good tracking, photon and PID performance already achieved** based on both **traditional** and **innovative ML** techniques
  - Still room for improvement in certain phase space region
- STCF **physics simulation studies in a realistic scenario** has started
- Currently, in full swing for both **physics and CPU optimization** to facilitate further **detector optimization**
  - Combination of different techniques/algorithms is the key for improvement

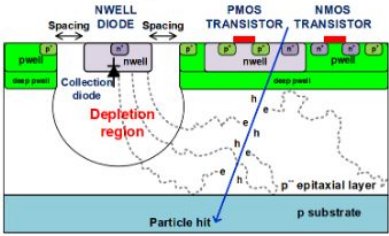
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**Gaseous option: MPGD**

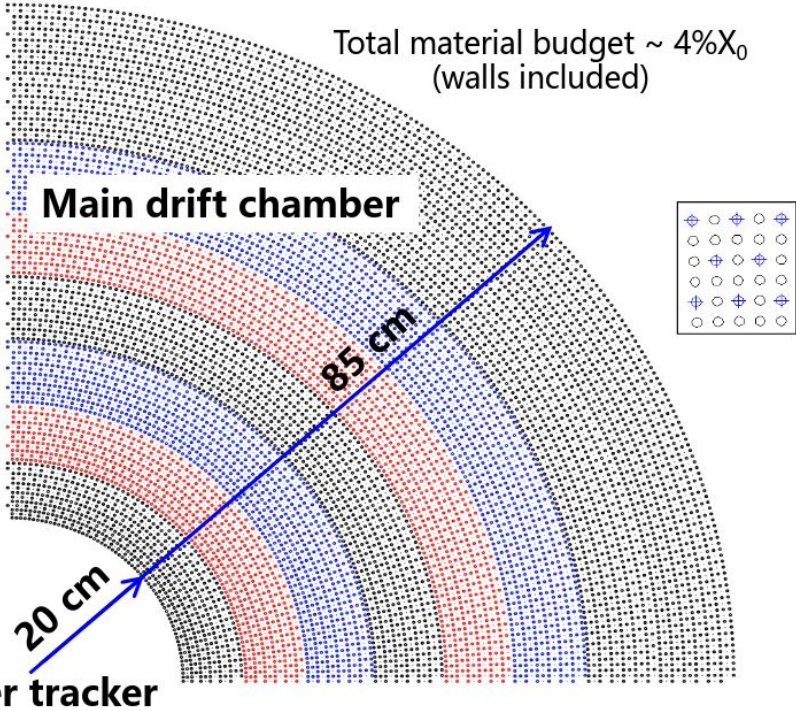


Material budget  $\sim 0.3\%X_0/\text{layer}$

**Silicon option: CMOS MAPS**



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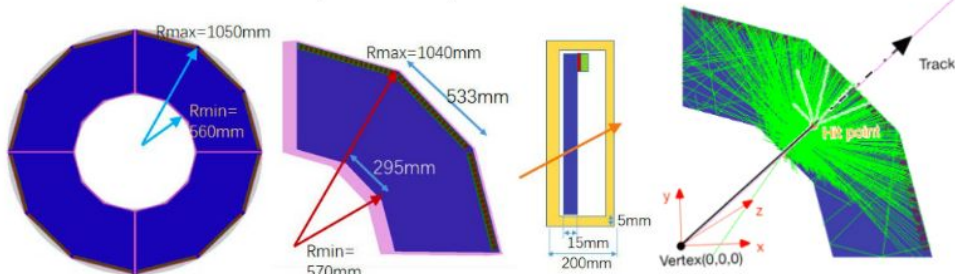
**Inner-outer separate designs to accommodate different levels of radiation background**

- Barrel PID: A RICH detector using MPGD ( THGEM with CsI + MM ) for photon detection



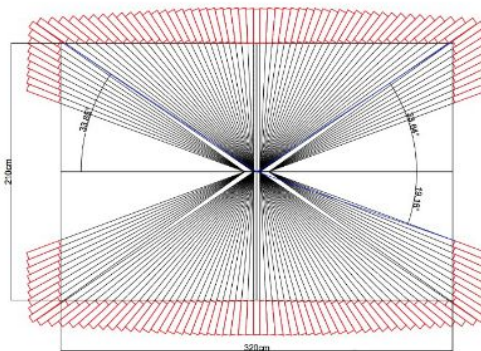
Material budget  $< 0.3X_0$

- Endcap PID: A DIRC-like high-resolution TOF detector ( DTOF )



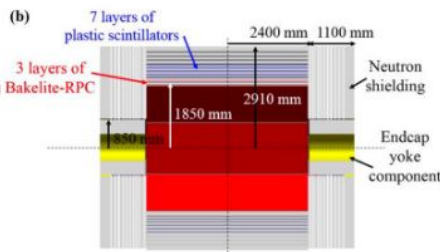
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- EMC: A pure-CsI crystal calorimeter



- Crystal size 28cm (15X0) 5x5cm<sup>2</sup>
- ~ 8670 crystals
- 4 large area APDs (1x1cm<sup>2</sup>) to enhance light yield

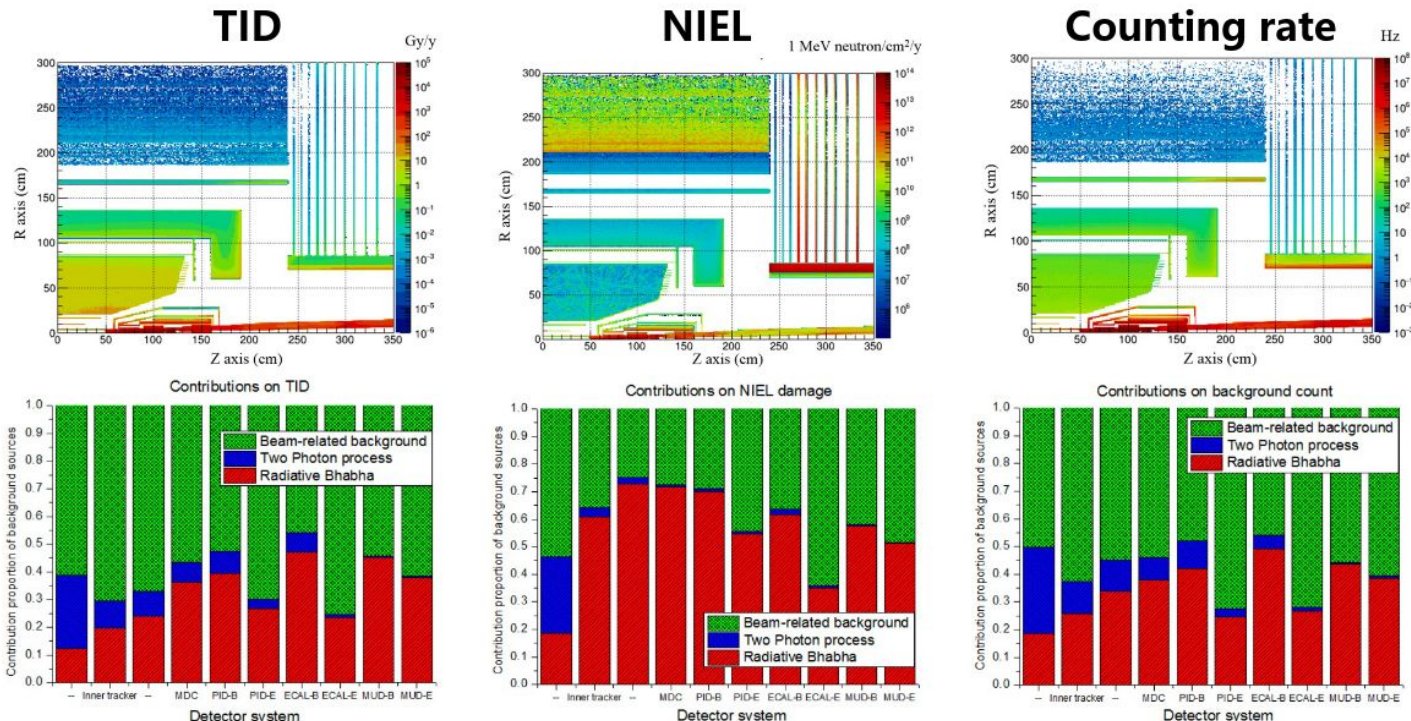
- MUD: A RPC-scintillator hybrid detector



Parameter	Baseline design
$R_{in}$ [cm]	185
$R_{out}$ [cm]	291
$R_c$ [cm]	85
$L_{Barrel}$ [cm]	480
$T_{Endcap}$ [cm]	107
Segmentation in $\phi$	8
Number of detector layers	10
Iron yoke thickness [cm]	4/4/4.5/4.5/6/6/6/8/8 cm
Total:	51 cm, 3.04 $\lambda$
Solid angle	79.2% $\times 4\pi$ in barrel
	14.8% $\times 4\pi$ in endcap
	94% $\times 4\pi$ in total
Total area [m <sup>2</sup> ]	Barrel ~717
	Endcap ~520
	Total ~1237

# Beam-induced backgrounds

[Fig. from J.B. Liu's slides](#)



**Inner most detector layer:**  $\sim 3.5$  kGy/y,  $\sim 2 \times 10^{11}$  1MeV n-eq/cm<sup>2</sup>/y,  $\sim 1$  MHz/cm<sup>2</sup>

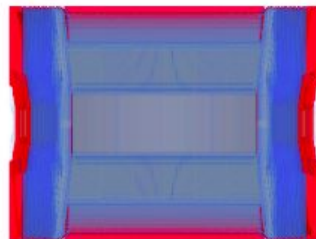
The major challenge is to maintain or even enhance the state of the art performance of  $\tau$ -c detectors in much harsher experimental conditions.

# MUD digitization

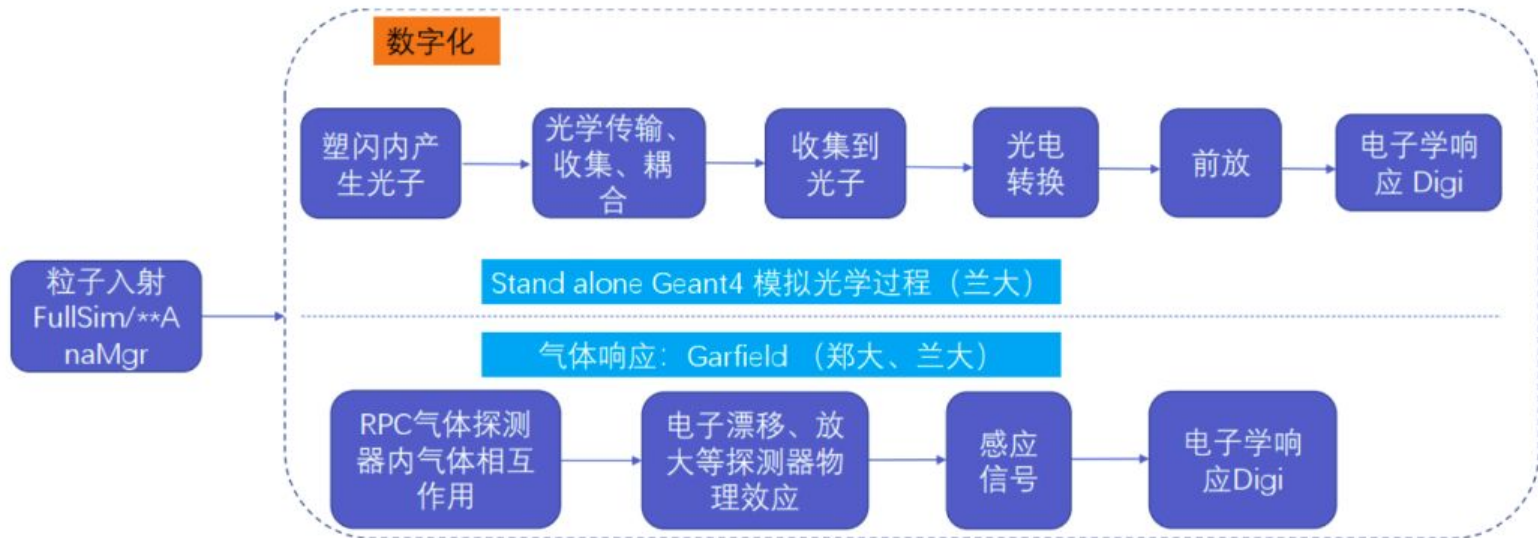
◇MUD:

◇旧版几何：模拟+数字化框架已经搭建，数字化参数需要更新

◇新版几何：模拟算法已经完成，数字化算法开发中



MUD新版几何



## \* MC 样本

- Oscar 版本 : 2.5.0
- GeV
- Exclusive MC :  $J/\psi \rightarrow \rho\pi$

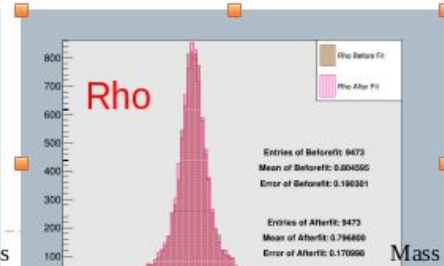
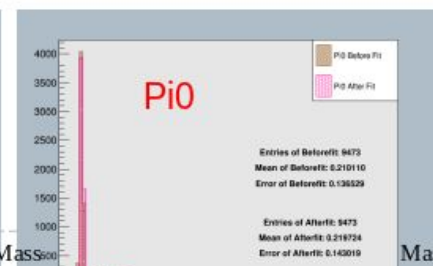
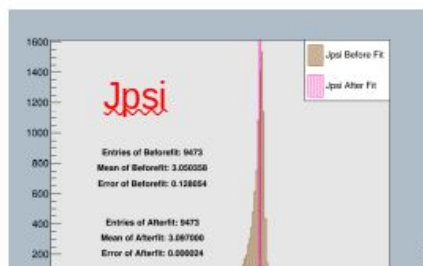
## \* 事例选择

- 带电径迹的选择
  - $N_{\text{good charge track}} = 2$
  - Total charge=0
- 中性径迹的判断
  - 桶部光子  $E_\gamma > 25\text{MeV}$  ( $|\cos\theta| < 0.8$ )
  - 端盖光子  $E_\gamma > 50\text{MeV}$  ( $0.86 < |\cos\theta| < 0.92$ )
  - $N_{\text{good neutral track}} > 2$
- Global PID
  - 判选条件
- 顶点拟合 & 运动学拟合
  - $\chi^2 > 200$

GlobalPID 软件包可以  
提供良好的鉴别能力

## \* 效率检查 (初步结

选择条件 (果)	事例数目	效率
事例数目	24000	
带电径迹	14217	59.24%
中性径迹	14214	99.98%
带正电的径迹鉴别为 pion	12477	88.70%
带负电的径迹鉴别为 pion	12411	88.10%
两条径迹都鉴别为 pion	10869	78.02%
顶点拟合 & 运动学拟合	9473	66.65%



子探测器	每事例耗时 ( ms )	占比
ITK	67	16.6%
MDC	24	6.0%
RICH	46	11.4%
DTOF	130	32.3%
ECAL	55	13.6%
MUD	136	33.7%
ALL	403	100%

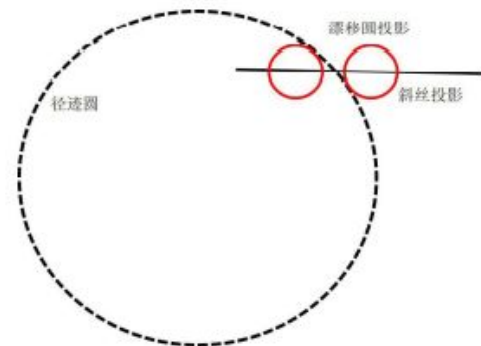
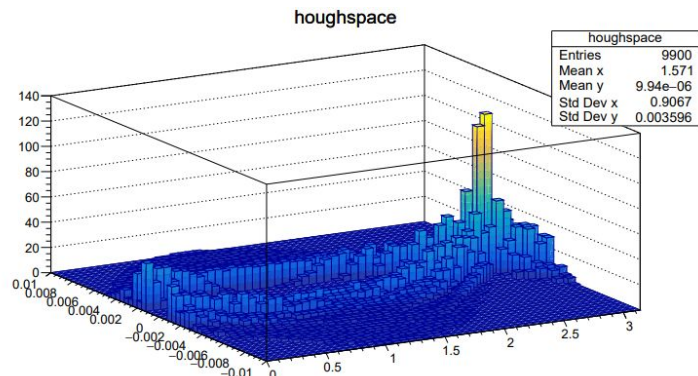
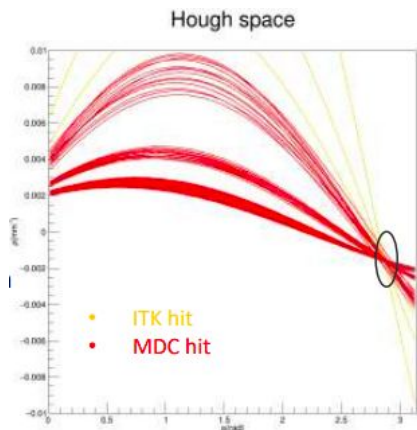
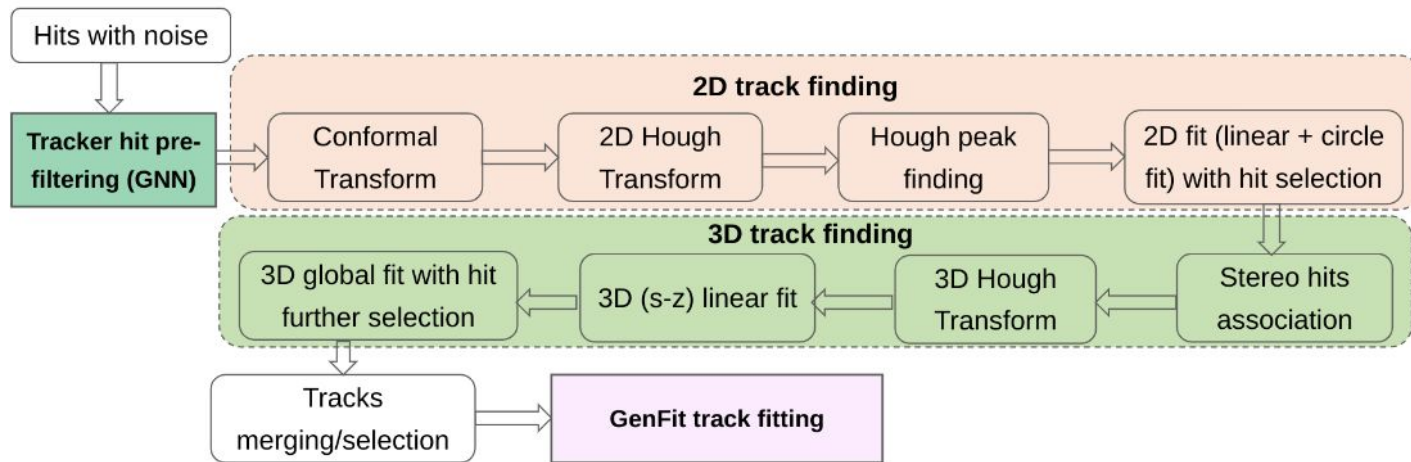
- 探测器模拟，相互作用模拟部分耗时
- 物理过程:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow j/\psi \mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-$
- 单线程
- 关闭光吸收电离
- 模拟总耗时:  $\sim 1s/event$



算法	每事例耗时 (ms)	标准差 (ms)	占比
ITK 数字化 (简化)	0.48	0.95	0.00%
MDC 数字化 (简化)	1.05	1.35	0.01%
ECAL 数字化	186.57	100.18	1.92%
RICH 数字化 (简化)	3.28	0.55	0.03%
DTOF 数字化 (简化)	0.51	3.87	0.01%
MUD 数字化 (简化)	2.28	0.58	0.02%
ITK Cluster 重建	0.04	0.04	0.00%
MDC Hit 重建	0.44	0.13	0.00%
Hough Finder	404.52	306.1	4.16%
径迹拟合 ( to debug )	6657.52	14872.14	68.60%
dE/dx 重建	2.05	0.51	0.02%
径迹外推	206.98	38.61	2.13%
ECAL 重建	0.32	0.89	0.00%
RICH 重建 ( to optimize )	2187.43	761.16	22.54%
DTOF 重建	38.41	62.97	0.40%
MUD 重建	2.80	14.90	0.03%
事例组装器	0.33	0.29	0.00%
事例取样器	0.64	2.30	0.01%
其它	9.51	/	0.10%
总和	9704.71	14937.79	100%

- 数字化 + 重建耗时
- 物理过程:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow j/\psi \mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-$
- 总耗时: 9.7s/event

# Track finding with Hough Transform

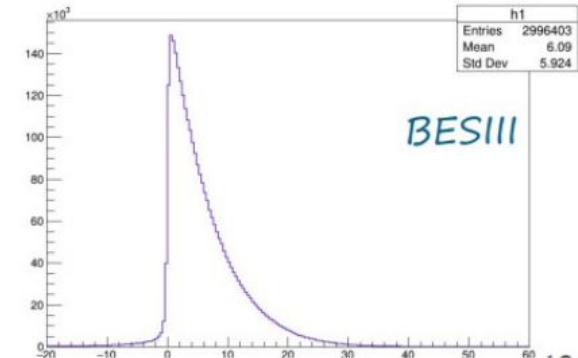
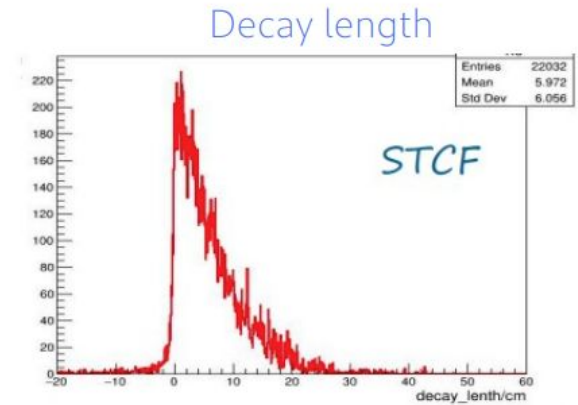
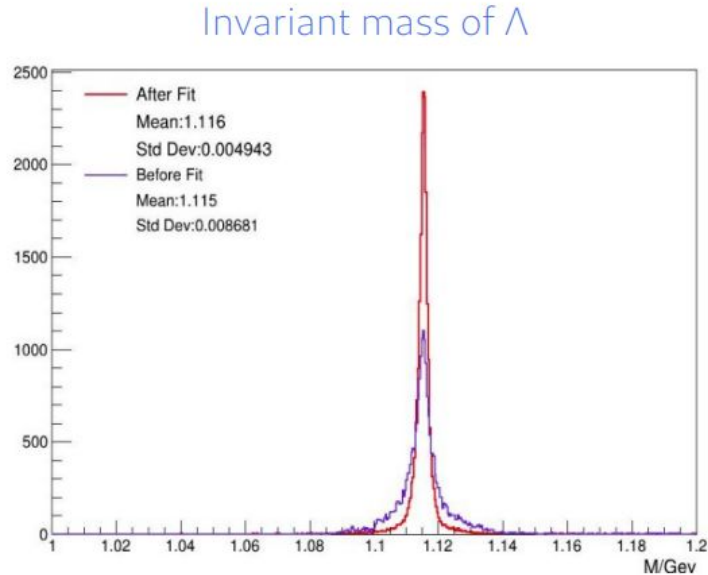


More about Hough Transform tracking in H. Zhou's talk

# Vertex fit

- Vertex fit transcribed from BESIII has been validated

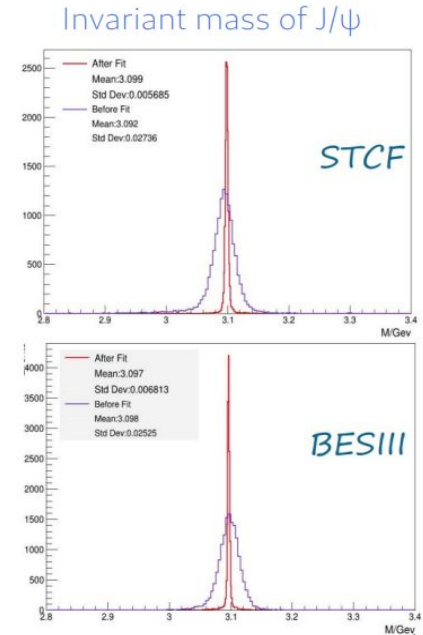
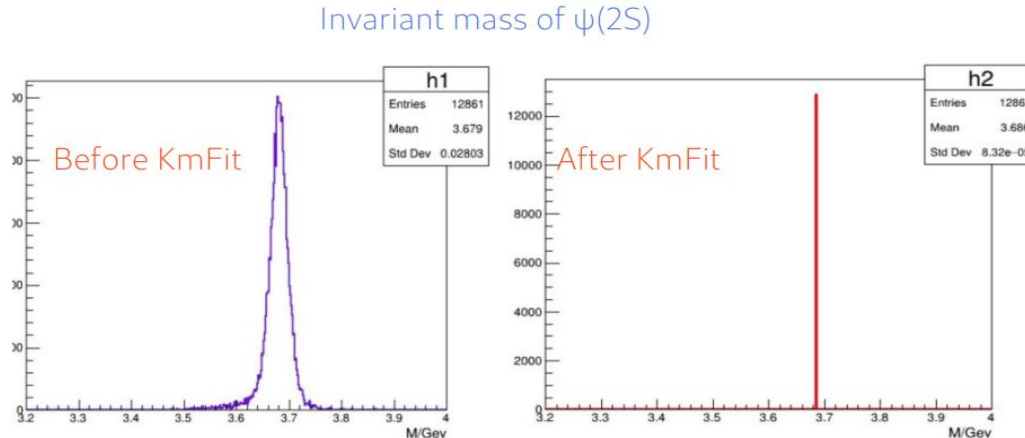
$$J/\psi \rightarrow \Lambda(\rightarrow p\pi^-)\bar{\Lambda}(\rightarrow \bar{p}\pi^+)$$



# Kinematic fit

- Kinematic fit transcribed from BESIII has been validated
- GlobalVertexFit which combines vertex and kinematic fit has been transcribed from Belle-II recently. Validation is in progress.

$$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$$



# Status of the full event processing chain



Finalised



Working, under optimization



Developing or not started

		Simulation	Digitization	Reconstruction		Analysis (W/O bkg)		
				On top of Digitization	On top of Bkgs + Digitization	Global PID Charged	Global PID Neutral	Vertex/Kinematic Fit
	ITK	✓	✓	🟡	🟡	1) Single particles ✓	1) Single particles 🟡	
	MDC	✓	✓					
	RICH	✓	✓	🟡	🟡	2) Physics Processes ✓	2) Physics Processes 🟡	✓
	DTOF	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	ECAL	✓	✓	✓	✓	🟡	⚠️	
MUD	Pre-geometry	✓	🟡	🟡	🟡			
	New geometry	✓	⚠️					