Track-based Multiple Scattering Tomography

A feasibility study – concept and simulation





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- Repeat measurement for different angles
- Two-dimensional structure can be reconstructed





Tomography – Reconstruction

- Combination of 1D projections for multiple rotation angles
 - →Form sinogram as the projected signal over position and angle
- Perform an inverse radon transform [1] to reconstruct the 2D density distribution



- Reconstructing multiple 2D projections enables 3D imaging
- [1]: S.R. Deans, *The Radon Transform and some of its applications*

Tomography – Computed Tomography

Computed Tomography (CT)

- Standard technique for material mapping
- Based on X-ray beam attenuation
- Measurement: Photon counting
- Characteristic quantity: Amount of material and it's radiation length

→ Material budget

- > Limitation:
 - Very high absorbing materials limited in size due to full absorption
 - →Alternative method needed





Tomography – New technique

> Track-based multiple scattering tomography

- Investigating on a new technique
- High energy (~ GeV) electron beam undergoes multiple Coulomb scattering when traversing a sample
- RMS scattering angle well predicted by the Highland formula [2]:

$$\theta_{x,y} = \frac{13.6 \, MeV}{\beta cp} \sqrt{\frac{x}{X_0}} \left(1 + 0.038 \ln\left(\frac{x}{X_0}\right) \right)$$

x: Path length in material X₀: Material's radiation length

- See talk by H. Jansen, Thursday, R1
- Measurement: Scattering angle distribution
- Characteristic quantity: Material budget







Tomography – New technique

- > Required:
 - Measurement of the scattering angle at the sample
 - Extrapolation of the track to the position of the sample
- Track information from high resolution pixel detectors for HEP
 - DATURA Beam Telescope [3]
 - 6 pixel sensor planes: Mimosa26



[3]: http://telescopes.desy.de



Simulation

- Use AllPix Detector Simulation Framework [4]
 - Particle propagation and energy deposition from Geant4 [5]
 - Includes multiple scattering in sensors and sample
 - Simulates the detector response
 - Setup adapted to the conditions at the DESY Test Beam Facility [6]
 - 180 data samples for rotation angles from 0° 179°



[4]: https://github.com/ALLPix/allpix[5]: http://geant4.cern.ch/[6]: http://testbeam.desy.de

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- GBL [7] for track fitting
 - Optimizing the trajectory
 - Allows for scattering
 - Kink angle at the sample: Local parameter in the track model



DESY

[7]: C. Kleinwort, General broken lines as advanced track fitting method

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- Filtered back projection yields the reconstructed density distribution





Evaluation

First successful simulated tomographic image reconstruction



Resolution



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> For structures smaller than $\sim 3\sigma$ the transfer functions overlap

- →Structure not fully reconstructed
- Larger structures yield the full contrast





Triplet / GBL method

Compare kink angle estimation by triplet method and GBL





Conclusion & Outlook

- > Alternative tomographic technique using the measurement of multiple coulomb scattering of charged high energy particles
- Simulations performed based on Geant4 physics models
 - Corresponding measurements possible at the DESY Test Beam Facility
- Successful reconstruction of sample's geometry
- > Test beam measurements performed recently analysis ongoing
- Optimization of reconstruction and imaging ongoing





Backup



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EUDET-type Pixel Telescopes

- > High precision tracking of particle beams
- Mostly used for detector tests for HEP purposes
 - Device under test (DUT) placed in the middle of the telescope
- > 6 Sensors: Mimosa26
 - Pixel pitch: 18.4 um x 18.4 um
 - Active area: 10.6 mm x 21.2 um
 - Intrinsic resolution: σ = 3.24 um
- > Pointing resolution: σ > 1.86 um





