# Inner Detector Track Reconstruction and Alignment at the ATLAS Experiment

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### The ATLAS experiment at the LHC

#### LHC, the Large Hadron Collider:

- proton-proton collisions at:
  - 900 GeV (2009)
  - 7 TeV (2010-11)
  - 8TeV (2012)
  - 13TeV (2015-16)
- Also Pb-Pb & Pb-p collisions

#### ATLAS, a general purpose experiment:

- Inner tracking system
- Calorimetry systems:
  - Electromagnetic
- Muon system





## **ATLAS Inner Detector**



#### • TRT: Transition Radiation Tracker

- Drift tubes: Ø4mm, up to 1440mm length
- ~298,000 straws
- Using Xe and Ar
- 3 barrel layers + 2 end-caps



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### **Comprises 3 detector**

- Silicon Pixels
  - 1744 modules (50x400µm<sup>2</sup>) • 280 modules (50x250µm<sup>2</sup>) • 4 barrel layers + 2x3 end-caps

#### • SCT: silicon microstrip sensors

 double-sided modules (40µm pitch) • 80 mrad stereo angle • 4 barrel layers + 2x9 end-caps





### Tracking: A crucial ingredient for successful physics program

- Reconstruction of charged particle trajectories (tracks) is fundamental input into many ATLAS physics objects and analysis quantities
- Flavour tagging jets
  - Crucial tool for majority of analysis channels in ATLAS
- Helps to mitigate effects of pile-up
  - Provides precise measurements distinguishing the primary vertex from pile-up vertices
- Provides precise information on the topology of the jet substructure
  - A key ingredient in identifying e.g. boosted objects
  - Improves the jet-mass resolution and uncertainty
- Tracks can be physics objects in themselves (electron & mu
- $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\mu$  was detected thanks to performant tracker • Precise knowledge of positions of detector elements is paramount for a good tracking performance —> Alignment







ideal detector

real detector















#### (2) Combinatorial track finder:

- constructing seeds first
- track finding restricted to roads







### (3) Ambiguity solving:

#### • precise least square fit with full geometry —> using measurement residual **r(t)** • selection of best silicon tracks using:

- hit content, holes
- number of shared hits
- fit quality...

track parameters:

$$t = (d_0, z_0, \eta, \phi, q)$$

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## Method extension: Track based alignment



- Alignment is concerned with determining the actual geometry of the tracking system and following its eventual changes in time
- In-situ determination of detector positions using Chi2 minimization

• track parameters:  $t = (d_0, z_0, \eta, \phi, q/p)$ • alignment parameters:  $a = (T_x, T_y, T_z, R_x, R_y, R_z)$ 

can be of the order *O*(100000) DoFs!!

 $\chi^2 = \mathbf{r}^T(t)\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{r}(t)$ now dependent on alignment parameters  $\chi^2 = \sum \mathbf{r}^T(t, a) \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{r}(t, a)$ tracks

Additional information can be used in form of constraints:

• on track parameters (e.g. beam spot, resonance inv. mass  $(Z - \mu\mu)$ ) and/or alignment parameters (e.g. assembly survey)

#### Examples and performance of alignment later in this talk









### Reconstruction performance in Run 2



• ~40% improved impact parameter ( $d_0$ ,  $z_0$ ) resolution in Run 2 thanks to IBL Measurement of impact parameter resolution sensitive to

- - Material description at low  $p_T$

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Material uncertainty is dominating tracking efficiency uncertainty —> Studied using in-situ techniques



## ID material and geometry validation

### "Radiographic diagnosis":

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- Material budget probed using techniques complementary in systematics and coverage
  - Displaced vertices from hadronic interactions and photon conversions
  - Check "extensibility" of pixel "tracklets" to outer layers







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- Missing capacitors on the IBL front-end chips identified
  - Initial under-estimation of IBL
  - material corrected
  - —> cause of over-optimistic  $d_0$  resolution in MC



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Vertex X [mm]

## Tracking in Dense Environments (TIDE)





- Jet mass resolution (& uncertainties) a key to new BSM discoveries !
- Using tracks improves jet-mass resolution when combined with calorimeter
- The Challenge: Resolve close-by particles leading to merged pixel clusters







## TIDE performance measured in data

Technique 1: Geometrical extrapolation

• Separating into single/multiple particle clusters from the overlap region in phi of the detector (Extrapolation is also checked between layers)





#### Technique 2: Energy loss in Pixels (dE/dx)

- Measure fraction of particles not reconstructed inside jets **F<sup>lost</sup>**
- Statistically disentangle single/multiple particles



## ID alignment — dynamically adjusting the ATLAS ID

### Run by run and the within-run stability of the ATLAS ID:

- Detector generally stable on longer time-scales except for "seismic events" (power cut, magnet ramp, cooling failure)
- Short time scale movements within a run —> currently 2 known movements
  - Vertical up- and down-movement of the Pixels package within fill
  - IBL mechanical instability with temperature
    - Radiation damage of IBL electronics making IBL power consumption unstable
    - Thermal expansion mismatch inside IBL stave is sensitive to power consumption
    - Consequently, causing rapid change of IBL stave's bowing distortion
- Strategy: determine "perturbation" of the detector package/stave movement from an accurate alignment baseline every
  - ~20 minutes (first hour of fill)
    - ~100 minutes (rest of fill)

 Running automatically inside the prompt calibration process (updated within 24h after run finished)







### ID alignment — dynamically adjusting the ATLAS ID



Correcting these short-time scales effects —> excellent alignment accuracy is achieved ATLAS is capable of time-dependent re-alignment of full ID for each run within the prompt calibration process 2017-02-27



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## Other performance highlights





### Dedicated tracking setup for specific needs:



#### Vertex reconstruction:

- Iterative vertex reconstruction
- Vertices merge when closer than the resolution
- Non-linearity due to merging is largely dependent on beam spot shape

• Minimum-bias  $\rightarrow$  "single-interaction" mode, p<sub>T</sub> from 400MeV to 100MeV • Heavy-Ion  $\rightarrow$  "high-occupancy" ensuring low p<sub>T</sub> ~300MeV • Short-tracks  $\rightarrow$  pixel-only tracks. Now reconstructed by default (pT > 5GeV) • Large-radius tracking  $\rightarrow$  decay products within whole Pixel volume (large d<sub>0</sub>)





### Conclusions

https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/InDetTrackingPerformanceApprovedPlots

- Upgraded detector and rapidly changing running conditions pose new challenges to track reconstruction in Run-2
- Performed a comprehensive set of in-situ measurements of key observables • Developed mechanisms to mitigate new problems & achieve better or similar performance than in Run-1 • Ready for the ongoing luminosity ramp-up to make the best use of the large dataset ahead of us

- Already working on the future Inner Tracking system for the HL-LHC
  - TRT removed
  - 5 pixel layers
  - 4 strip layers
    - > see for details **ATL-PHYS-PUB-2016-025**

see also poster 16 for more details!

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### Back up



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Time Since Run Start [hour]

35





### ITk Simulation

GEANT4 simulation

Pixel Sensors:

 $\rightarrow$  planar n-in-n with FE-I4

 $\rightarrow$  50x50  $\mu$ m<sup>2</sup>

- $\rightarrow$  150  $\mu$ m thick
- $\rightarrow$  threshold 600e
- $\rightarrow$  1x1, 1x2, 2x1, 2x2 modules

Strip Sensors:

- $\rightarrow$  n-in-p sensors
- $\rightarrow$  strip length 19-60 mm
- $\rightarrow$  320  $\mu$ m thick
- $\rightarrow$  75.5  $\mu$ m pitch
- $\rightarrow$  20/26 mrad stereo angle









### Reconstruction performance in Run 2



- ~40% improved impact parameter ( $d_0$ ,  $z_0$ ) resolution in Run 2 thanks to IBL
- Measurement of impact parameter resolution sensitive to
  - Material description at low pT
- Fake track rate increases with pile-up ( $\mu$ )



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### ID alignment — precision alignment

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 $p_T^{reco} = p_T^{true} (1 + q p_T^{true} \delta_{sagitta})^{-1}$ 





Charge symmetric deformation

Charge antisymmetric deformation





### Run 2 — LHC operations







