

# Track Reconstruction in the CMS Tracker

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# Tracking at LHC

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- proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 14$  TeV
- bunch spacing of 25 ns
- Luminosity:
  - low-luminosity:  $2 \cdot 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (10 fb<sup>-1</sup> per year - for the first 3 years)
  - high-luminosity:  $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (100 fb<sup>-1</sup> per year)
    - ➔  $\sim 20$  minimum bias events per bunch crossing
    - ➔  $\sim 5000$  charged tracks per event

Radius:	2cm	10cm	25cm	60cm
$N_{\text{Tracks}}/(\text{cm}^2 \cdot 25\text{ns})$	10.0	1.0	0.10	0.01

  - Fast response time to resolve bunch crossing
  - Fine granularity to resolve nearby tracks
- Reconstruction of narrow heavy objects:  $\sim 1\text{-}2\%$   $p_T$  resolution at  $\sim 100$  GeV/c  
4 T field -  $\sim 1.1\text{m}$  Tracker radius: 1.80 mm sagitta for 100 GeV/c  $p_T$  track!
- Ability to tag b/ $\tau$  jets through secondary vertices: good impact parameter resolution

# The CMS Experiment

13x6 m Solenoid: 4 Tesla Field

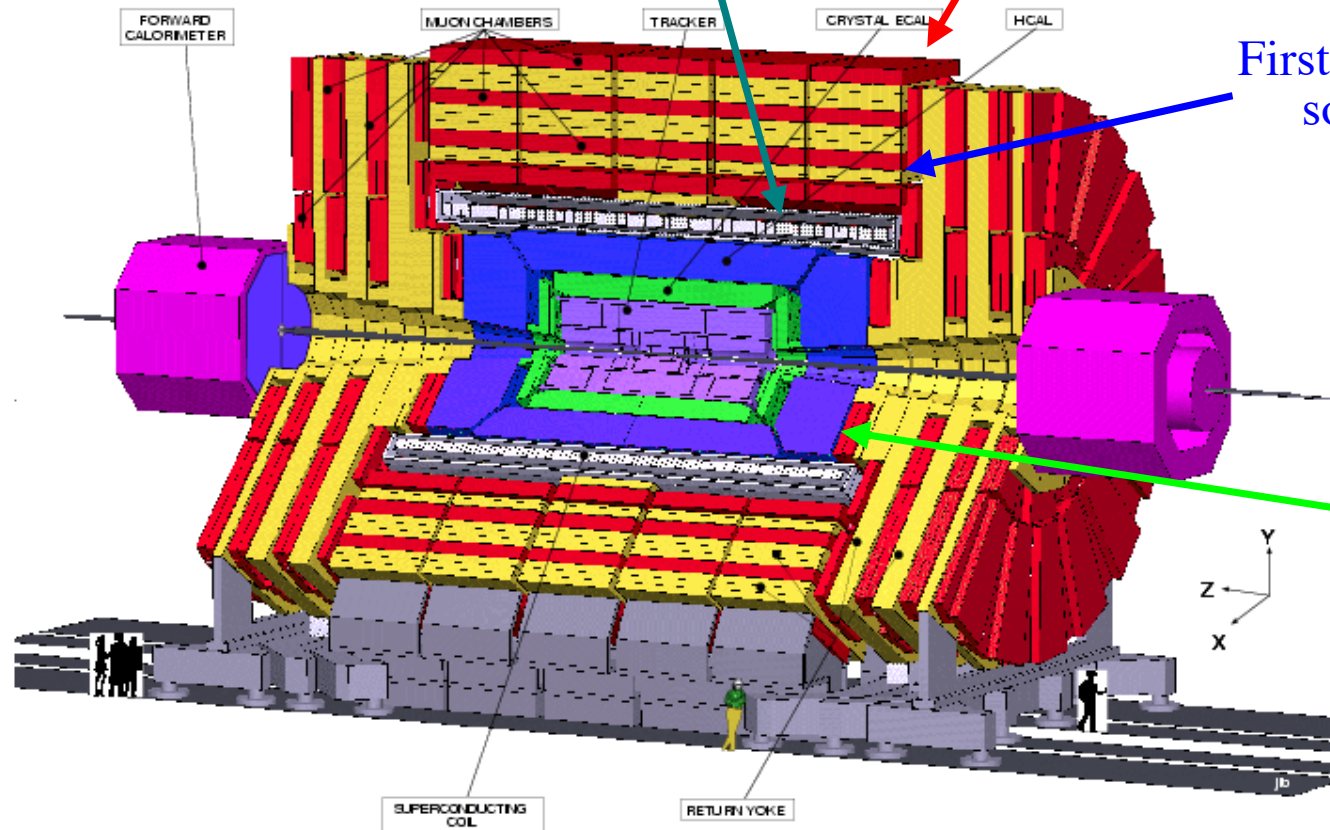
→ Tracking up to  $\eta \sim 2.5$

Muon system in return yoke

First muon chamber just after solenoid

→ extend lever arm for  $p_T$  measurement

ECAL & HCAL inside solenoid



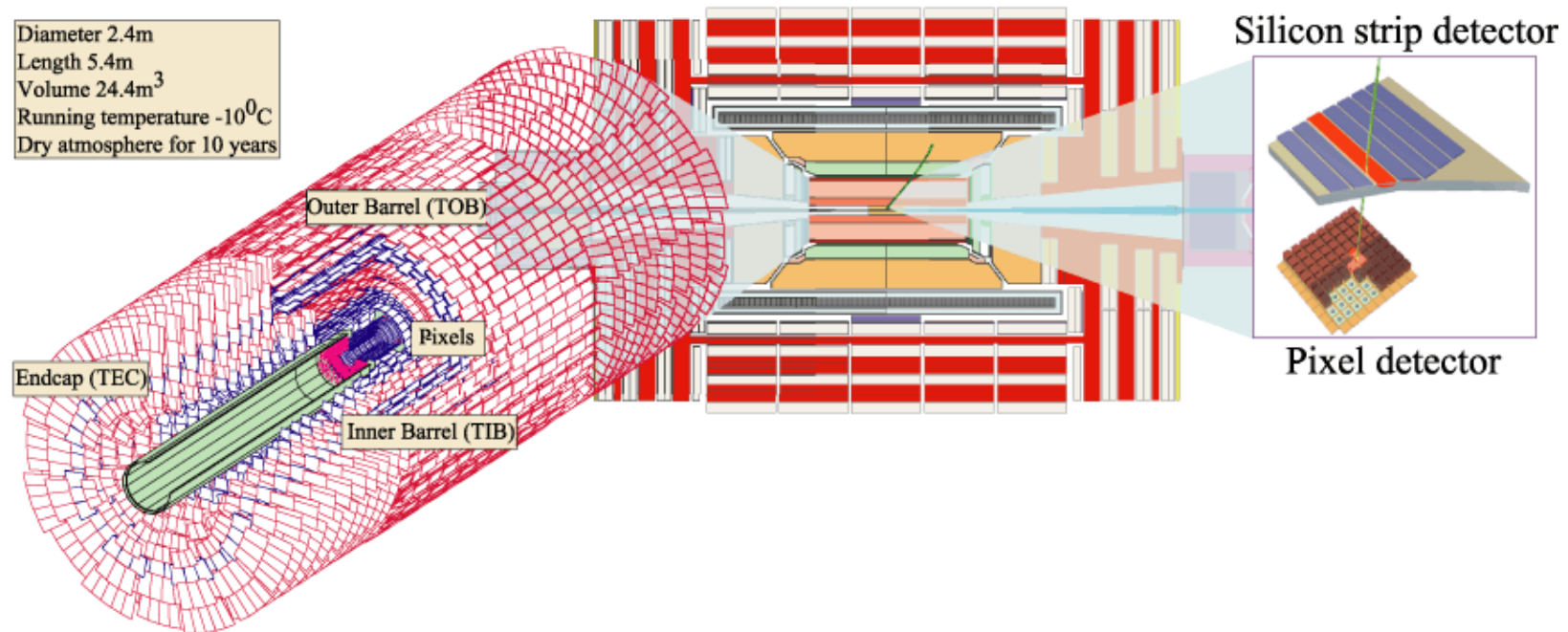
→ 22m Long, 15m Diameter, 14'000 Ton Detector

# The CMS Tracker

→ CMS has chosen an **all-silicon configuration**

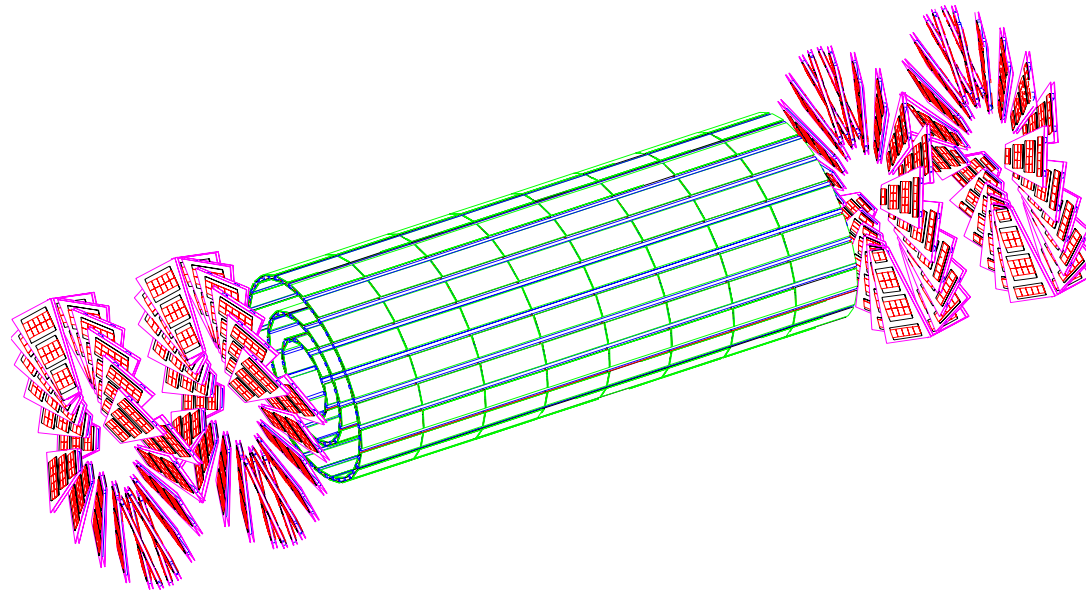
Rely on “**few**” **measurement layers**, each able to provide **robust** (clean) and **precise** coordinate determination:

- Pixel detector: **2 - 3 points**
- Silicon Strip Tracker: **10 - 14 points**



# The Pixel system

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Active area  $\sim 1\text{m}^2 - 66 \cdot 10^6$  pixels

Geometry:

- 3 Barrel layers  
 $r = 4.4\text{ cm}, 7.3\text{ cm}, 10.2\text{ cm}$
- 2 Pairs of Forward/Backward Disks  
 $r = 6\text{ cm}-15\text{ cm} ; z = 34.5\text{ cm}, 46.5\text{ cm}$

➔ 3 high resolution measurement points for  $|\eta| < 2.2$

Pixel-size:  $100\ \mu\text{m} \times 150\ \mu\text{m}$

Hit-resolution:

- $r-\phi : \sigma \sim 10\ \mu\text{m}$   
(Lorentz angle  $23^\circ$  in 4 T field)
- $r-z : \sigma \sim 20\ \mu\text{m}$

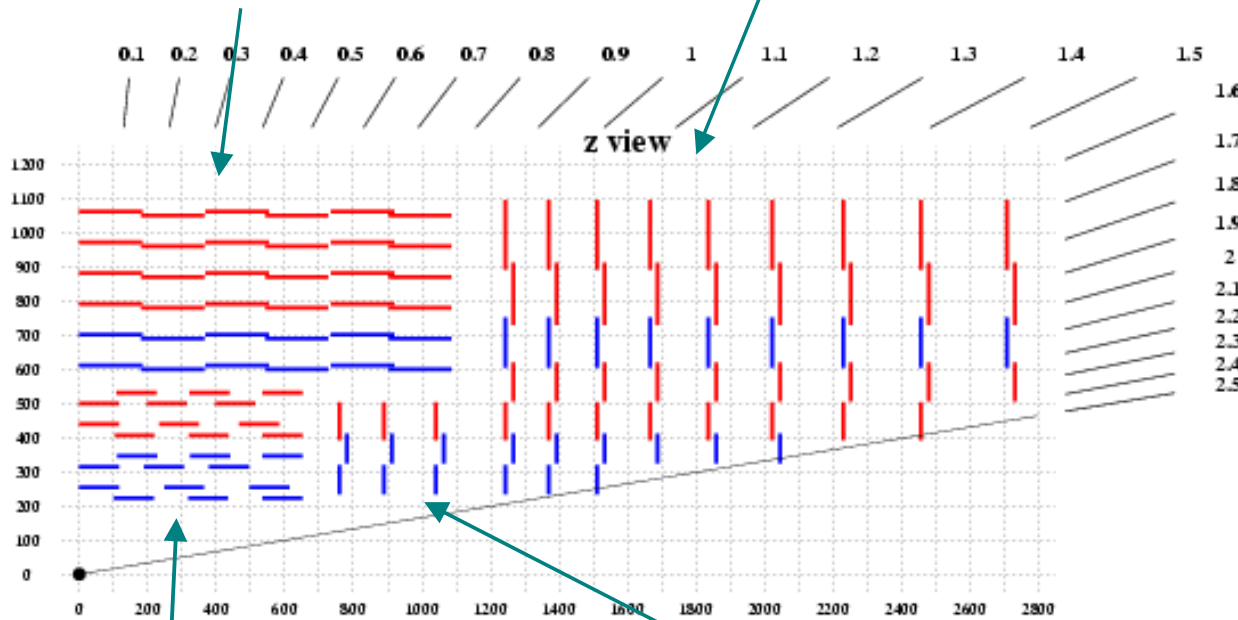
# The CMS Silicon Strip Tracker

Outer Barrel (TOB): 6 layers

- Thick ( $500\ \mu\text{m}$ ) sensors
- Long Strips

Endcap (TEC): 9 disks pairs

- $r < 60\text{cm}$ : Thin sensors
- $r > 60\text{cm}$ : Thick sensors



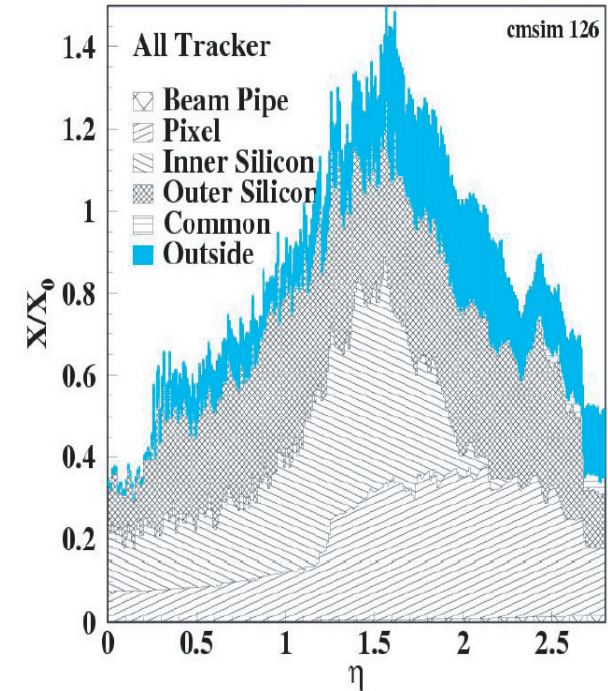
Inner Barrel (TIB): 4 layers

- Thin ( $320\ \mu\text{m}$ ) sensors
- Short Strips

Inner Disks (TID): 3 disks pairs

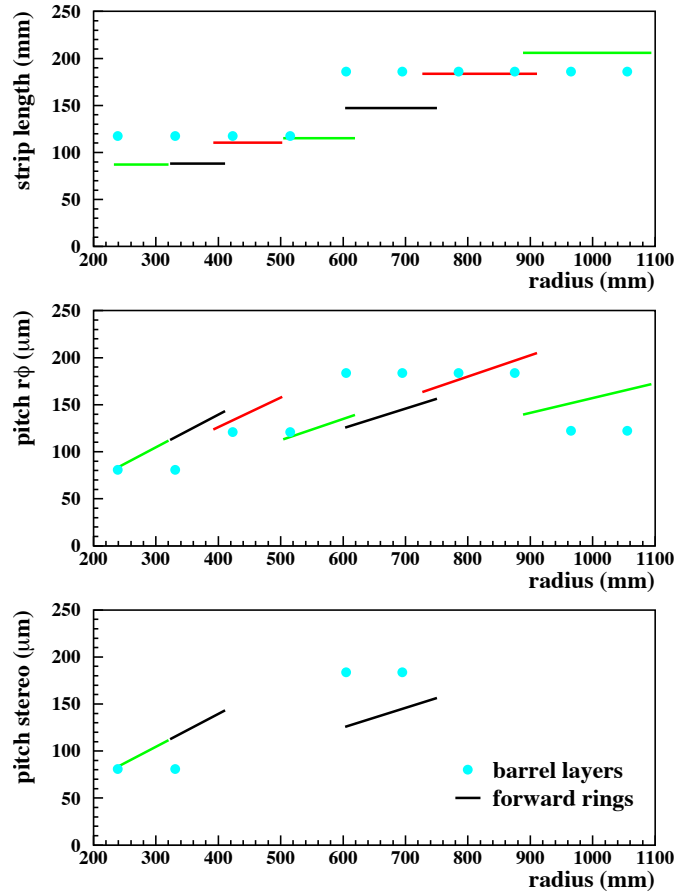
- Thin sensors

blue: double-sided detectors  
red: single-sided detectors



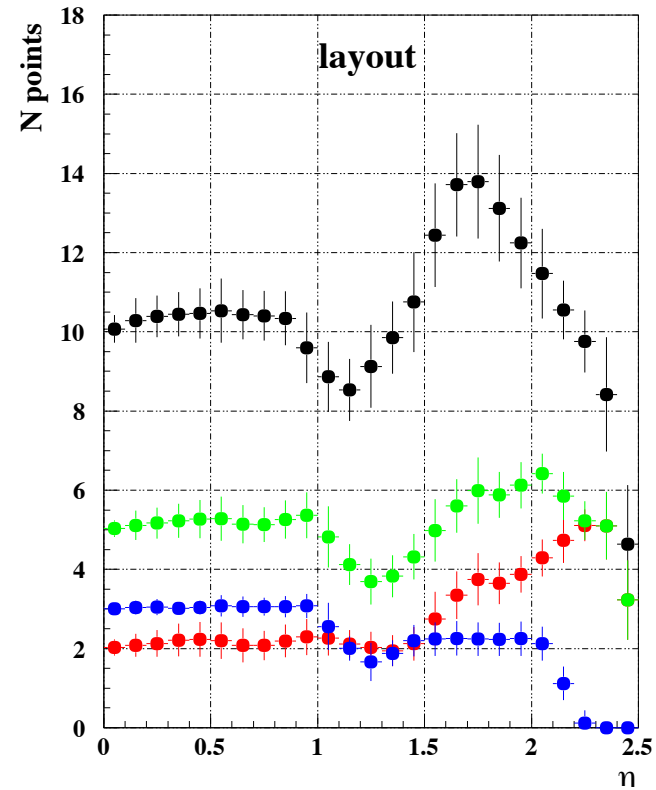
Material budget of the tracker

# The CMS Silicon Strip Tracker



→ 14 different sensor geometries

Number of SST hits by tracks:



Black: Total number of hits  
 Green: double-sided hits  
 Red: double-sided hits in thin detectors  
 Blue: double sided hits in thick detectors.

# Track reconstruction

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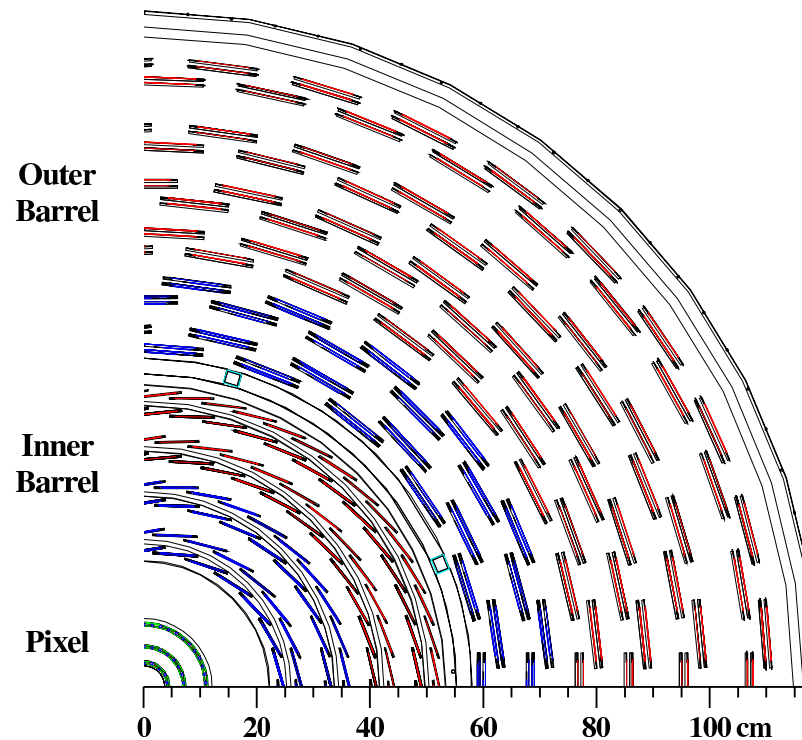
- The Combinatorial Kalman Filter is the main algorithm used to reconstruct charged tracks
  - Local method: one track reconstructed at a time, starting from an initial trajectory.
  - Recursive procedure: track parameters estimated from a set of reconstructed hits
  - Takes into account the energy loss and multiple-scattering between layers
  - Integrates pattern recognition and track fitting
- The Kalman Filter is mathematically equivalent to a global least square minimization (LSM), optimal when
  - model is linear
  - random noise Gaussian
- For non-linear models or non-Gaussian noise, it is still the optimal linear estimator



# The Combinatorial Kalman Filter

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- *Inside-out tracking*: start in the first Pixel layers, grow tracks layer by layer to the outer layer of the SST.
- Initial trajectories (*seeds*): pixel hit pairs (every combination of 2 pixel layers, compatible with the beam spot and a minimum  $p_T$  cut)



Cross section of a quadrant of the barrel of the tracker

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  - Initial trajectories (*seeds*): pixel hit pairs (every combination of 2 pixel layers, compatible with the beam spot and a minimum  $p_T$  cut)
  - Reasonable number of seeds, with good quality
    - ⇒ Fine granularity: low occupancy, high purity
    - ⇒ High precision
  - Hadrons: high interaction probability in the tracker (~20% of 1 GeV pions do not reach the outer layer)
  - Favour tracks with pixel hits: precision on track parameter at the vertex (needed for vertex reconstruction, *b*-tagging, etc...)
- *Outside-in tracking*:
  - Muon reconstruction: seeds in the outer layers based on muon-chamber seeds
  - Electrons from  $\gamma$  conversions: seeds in the outer layers based on ECAL clusters

# The Combinatorial Kalman Filter

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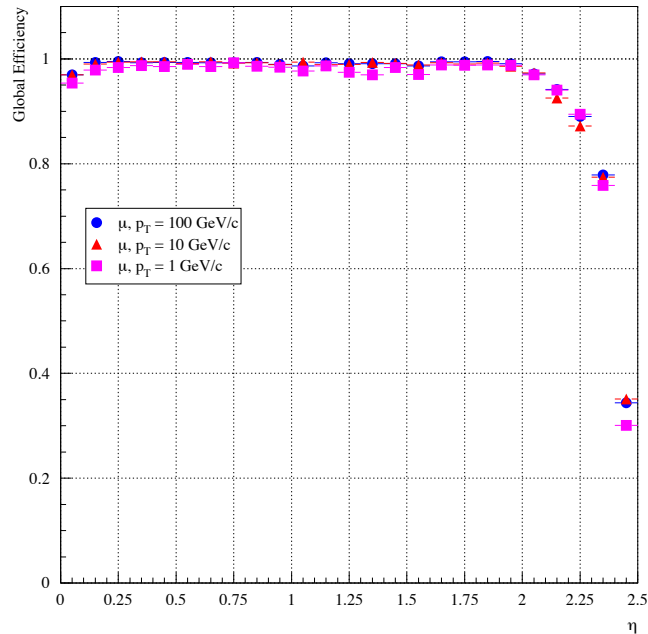
Track reconstruction is decomposed in 4 modular, independent, components:

- Generation of *seeds*
- Trajectory Building: construction of trajectories for a given seed
  - Trajectories are extrapolated from layer to next layer, accounting for multiple scattering and energy loss
  - On the new layer, new trajectories are constructed, with updated parameters (and errors) for each compatible hit in the layer.
  - All trajectories are grown to the next layer in parallel to avoid bias.
  - The number of trajectories to grow is limited according to their  $\chi^2$  and the number of missing hits.
- Trajectory Cleaning: hit assignment ambiguity resolution
- Trajectory Smoothing: final fit of trajectories
  - Obtain optimal estimates at every measurement point along the track.
  - In addition to providing tracks accurate at both ends this procedure provides more accurate rejection of outliers

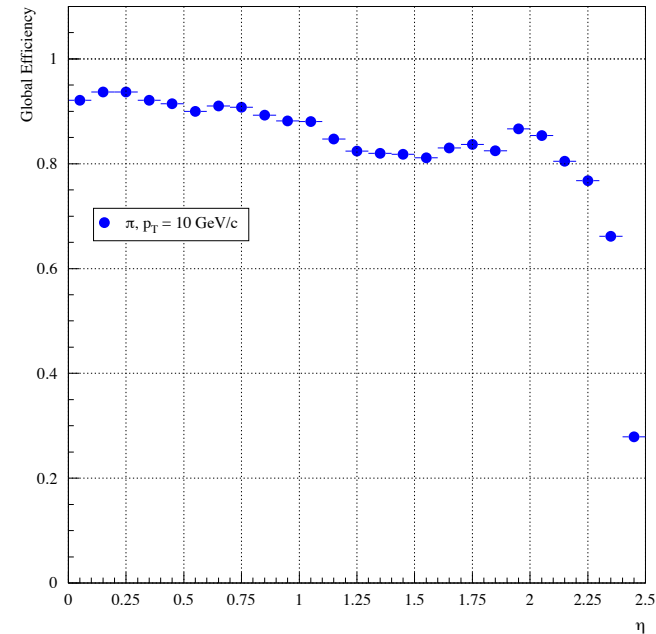
# The Combinatorial Kalman Filter

Track reconstruction efficiency for single tracks:

muons,  $p_T = 1, 10, 100 \text{ GeV}/c$



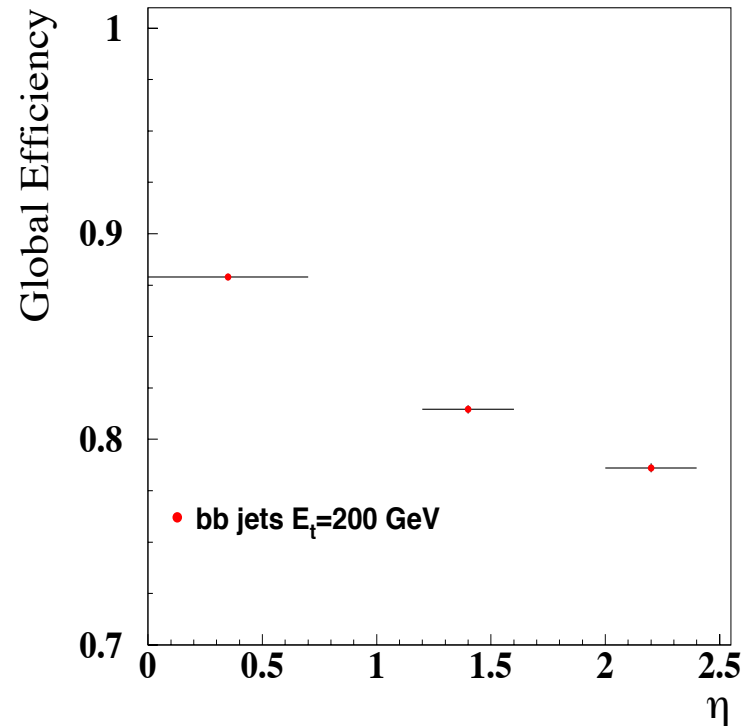
pions,  $p_T = 10 \text{ GeV}/c$



For pions: lower efficiency due to nuclear interactions in the tracker

# The Combinatorial Kalman Filter

Track reconstruction efficiency for  $b$ -jets ( $E_T=200$  GeV), tracks with  $p_T > 0.9$  GeV/ $c$ , min. 8 hits:



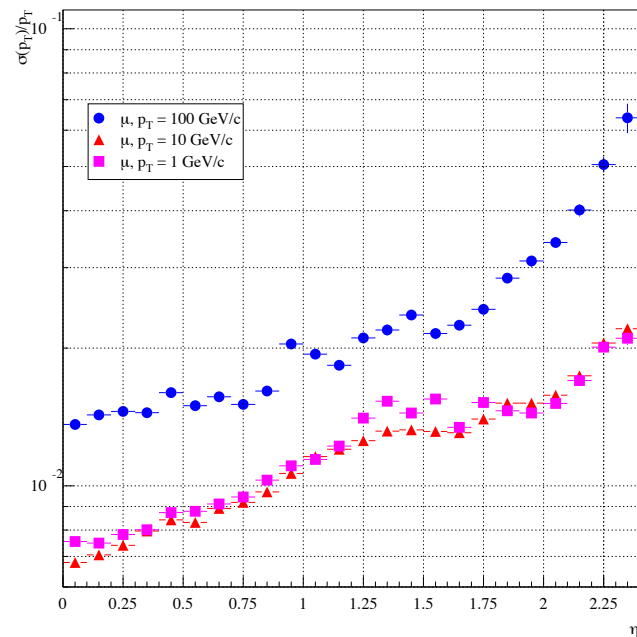
Loss dominated by  $\pi$  interaction

Efficient and robust pattern recognition:

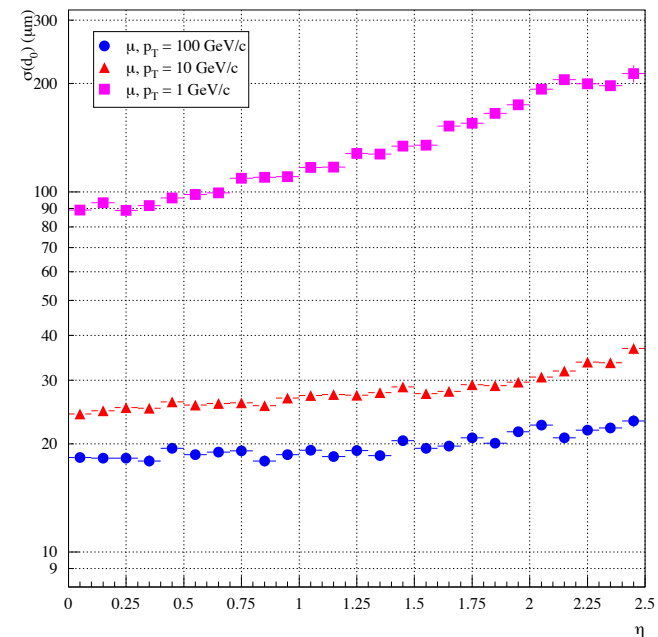
- Low contamination from spurious hits, even with PU
- Reconstruction ambiguities are solved after the first few layers.

# The Combinatorial Kalman Filter

Track parameter resolutions (muons,  $p_T = 1, 10, 100 \text{ GeV}/c$ )



$p_T$  resolution  
Dominated by the lever-arm



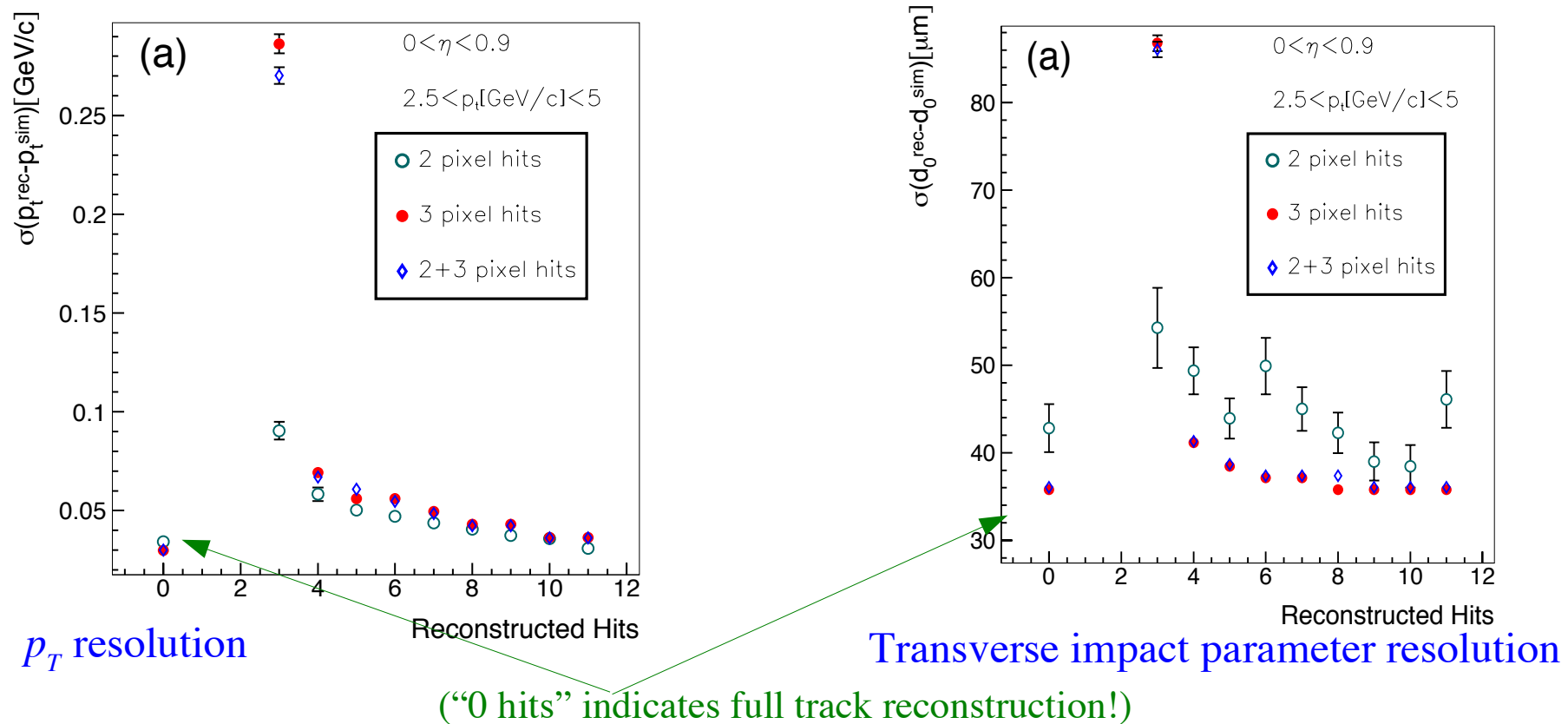
Transverse impact parameter resolution  
Dominated by the resolution of the hits in  
the pixel detector.

## Partial reconstruction

Combinatorial KF also suitable for usage in the High-Level Trigger (HLT):

⇒ Track parameter resolutions reach an asymptotic value after using only first 5/6 hits

Resolutions as a function of the number of hits used: ( $b$ -jets,  $2.5 < p_T < 5$ ,  $|\eta| < 0.9$ )

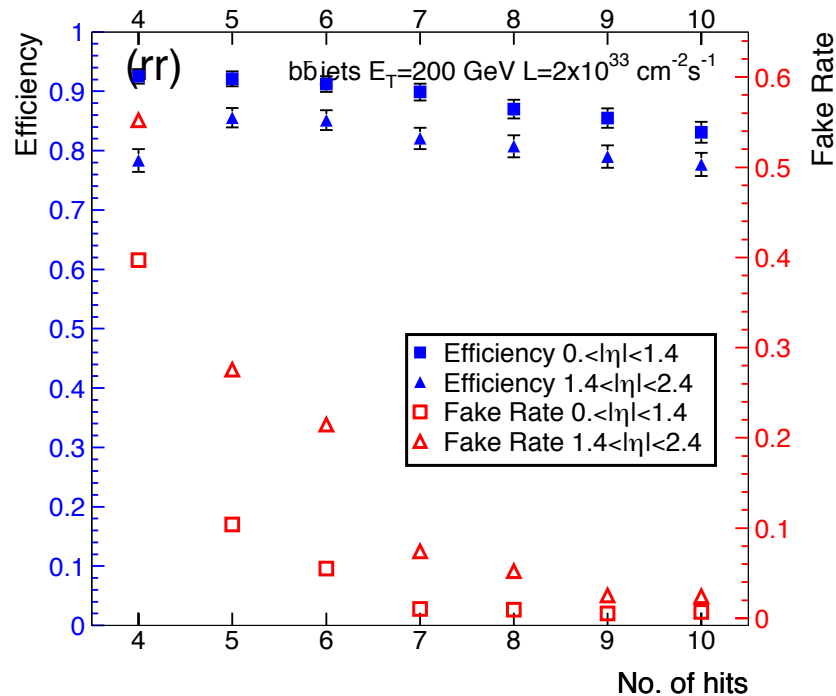


## Partial reconstruction

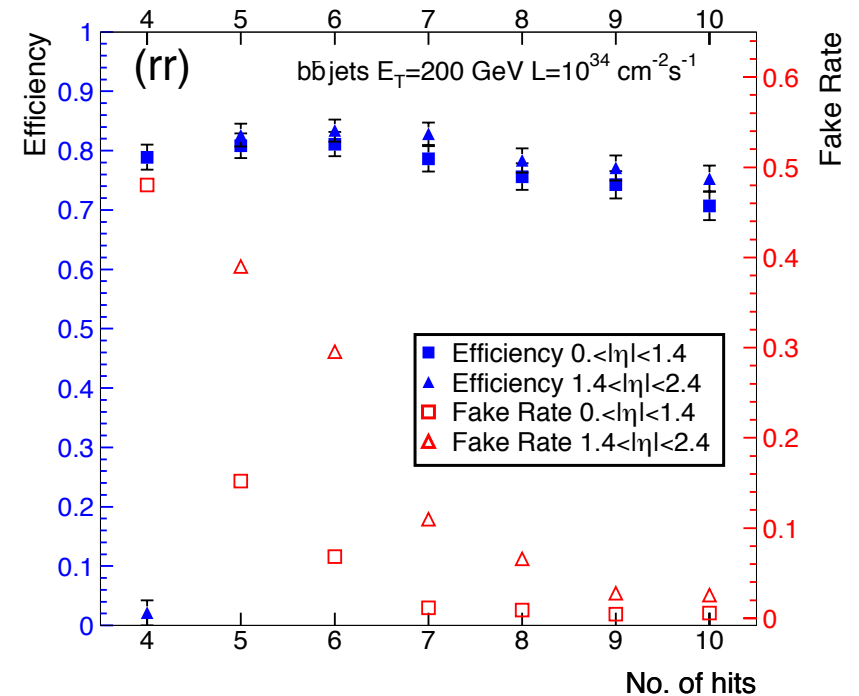
*Partial reconstruction*: stop track reconstruction once enough information is available to answer a specific question

Same components, algorithms used.

Precision sufficient for most HLT applications: vertex reconstruction,  $b$ -tagging



$b$ -jets,  $E_T = 200$  GeV, low luminosity



$b$ -jets,  $E_T = 200$  GeV, high luminosity



# Adaptive filters

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Several adaptive algorithms have been implemented:

- LSM optimal when
  - Model is linear
  - Random noise Gaussian (measurement errors, process noise)
- *Pdf* involved are usually non-Gaussian:
  - Measurement errors have Gaussian core, with tails
  - Energy loss and multiple scattering (tails)
    - ⇒ Gaussian-sum Filter
- Large background noise (electronic noise, low  $p_T$  tracks,  $\delta$  electrons, etc.)
  - Hit degradation
  - Hit assignment errors
    - ⇒ Deterministic Annealing Filter & Multi-Track Fit

# The Gaussian-sum Filter

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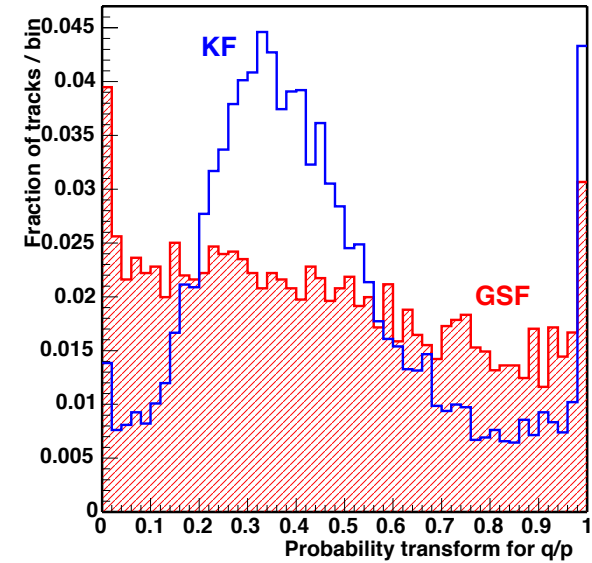
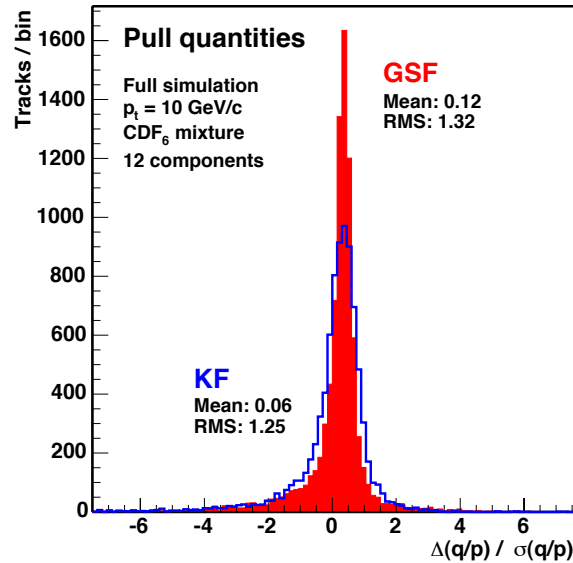
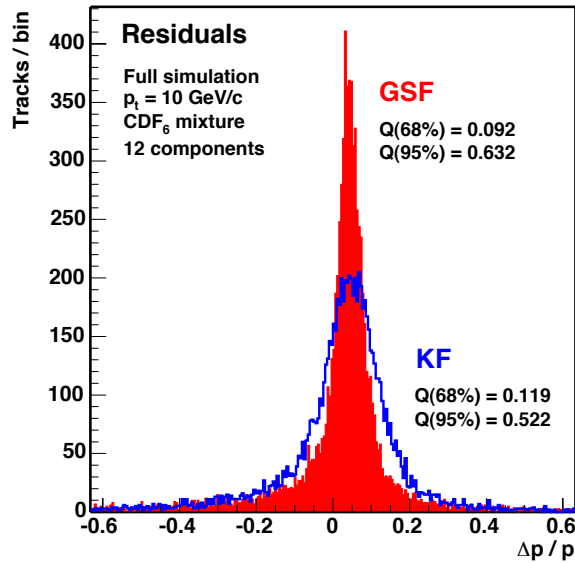
- *Pdf* involved are usually non-Gaussian:
  - Measurement errors have Gaussian core, with tails
  - Energy loss and multiple scattering (tails)
- **Gaussian-sum Filter (GSF)**: instead of single Gaussian, model the *pdfs* involved by **mixture of Gaussians**:
  - Main component of the mixture would describe the core of the distribution
  - Tails would be described by one or several additional Gaussians.
- For electrons, above  $\sim 100\text{MeV}/c$ , energy loss dominated by bremsstrahlung
  - Bethe and Heitler energy loss model is highly non-Gaussian
  - In the standard KF, distribution approximated by single Gaussian
- Model the Bethe-Heitler distribution by a mixture of Gaussians

# The Gaussian-sum Filter

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- All involved distributions are Gaussian mixtures
- State vector is also distributed according to a **mixture of Gaussians**
- GSF: Non-linear generalization of the Kalman Filter
- **Weighted sum of several Kalman Filters**
  - GSF is implemented as a number of Kalman filters run in parallel
  - The weights of the components are calculated separately
- **Exponential growth:** combinatorial combination of the state vector components with energy-loss components
  - Number of components have to be limited to a predefined number at each step
  - **Cluster (collapse) components** with the smallest 'distance' (Distance measurements: Kullback-Leibler Distance or Mahalanobis Distance)
- Output is full Gaussian mixture of state vector
  - Can be used in subsequent application (GSF vertex fit already implemented)

# The Gaussian-sum Filter



- Improvement of the core of the residual distribution
- Little reduction of the tails:
  - Radiation in the first layer can not be detected
    - ⇒ can be compensated by vertex constraint
  - Non-Gaussian measurement errors in the Pixel detectors
- Incorporate Gaussian mixtures of measurement errors (also for non-electron fits!)
- Most efficient for low energy electrons (a few tens of GeV), little gain at 100 GeV
- Pattern recognition needs to be evaluated

## Adaptive filters: the DAF and the MTF

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- In very dense environments (e.g. high  $E_T$   $b$ -jets,  $\tau$  jets), degradation due to large background noise
  - High track density: hit degradation due to contamination of nearby tracks
  - High hit density: wrong hit assignment
- Kalman Filter: hard hit assignment
- **Soft hit assignment** may be more suitable
- Global approach of hit assignment, using full track information
  - Part of the hit assignment done in the final track fit
- Expect better hit assignment

# Adaptive filters: the DAF and the MTF

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- **Deterministic Annealing Filter (DAF):** single track fit
  - Competition between hits: on a same surface, several hits may compete for a track
  - hit weights (assignment probability) based on hit-track distance (residual) and competing measurements
- **Multi-Track Fit (MTF):** concurrent multi-track fit on collection of hits
  - Competition between tracks and hits
  - Each hit on a layer can belong to each of several tracks

Iterative Kalman Filter with annealing

Both need initial hit collection and track seed(s): basic pattern recognition and track parameters from KF

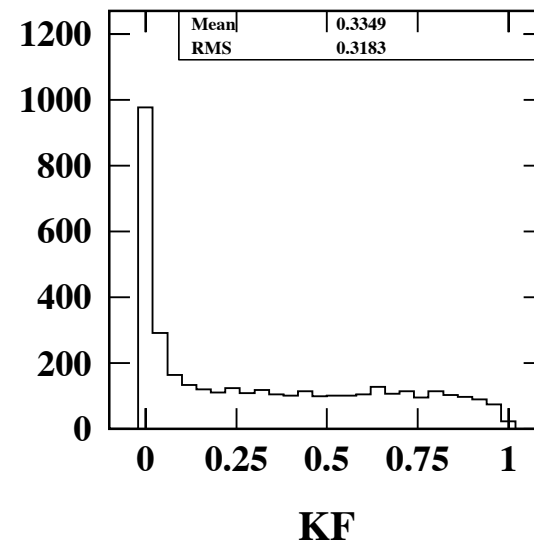
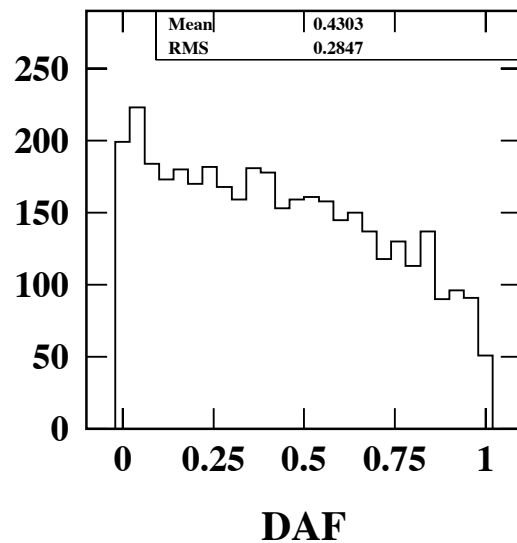
- DAF: initial hit collection around a KF track.
- MTF: collection of tracks from KF (or even DAF), close in momentum space, hits collected around these tracks

With this seeding, track finding efficiencies can not be improved w.r.t. KF

# The Deterministic Annealing Filter

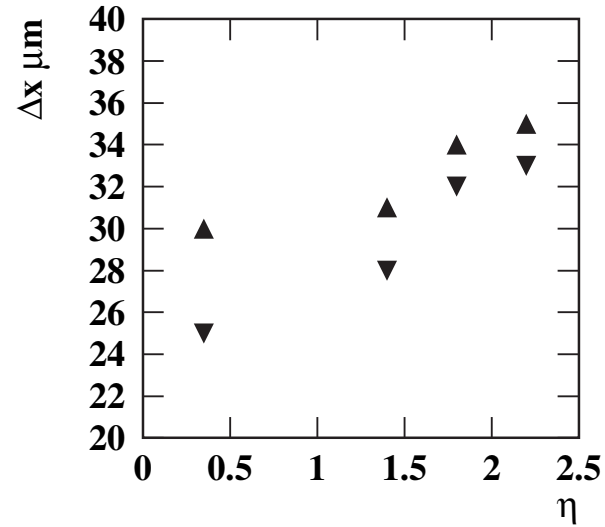
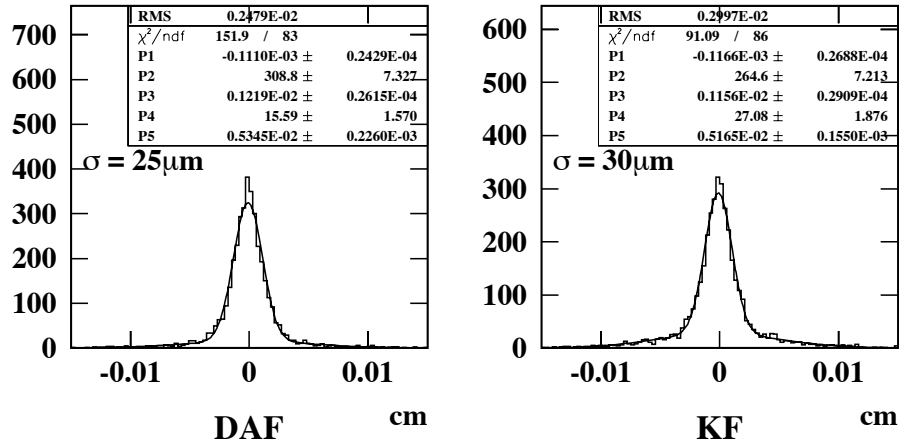
- For “isolated tracks”, even at high luminosity, the DAF does not provide a measurable improvement in track quality
- “dense environment”:  $b$ -jet with  $E_T=200$  GeV,  
Tracks with  $p_T > 15$  GeV/ $c$ , min. 8 hits:
  - Better track quality ( $\chi^2$ )

$\chi^2$  probability -  $|\eta| < 0.7$

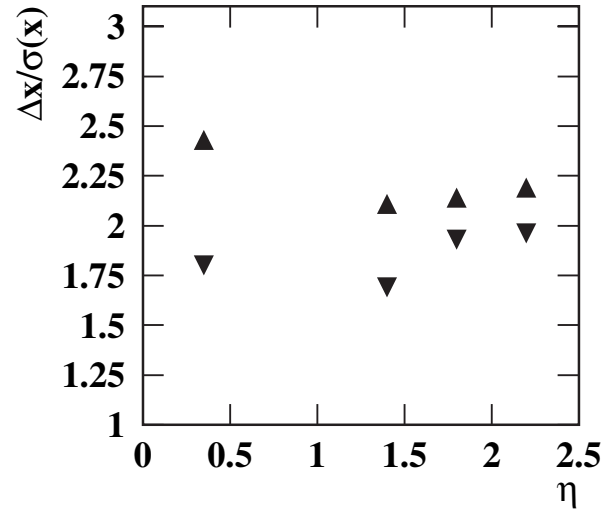
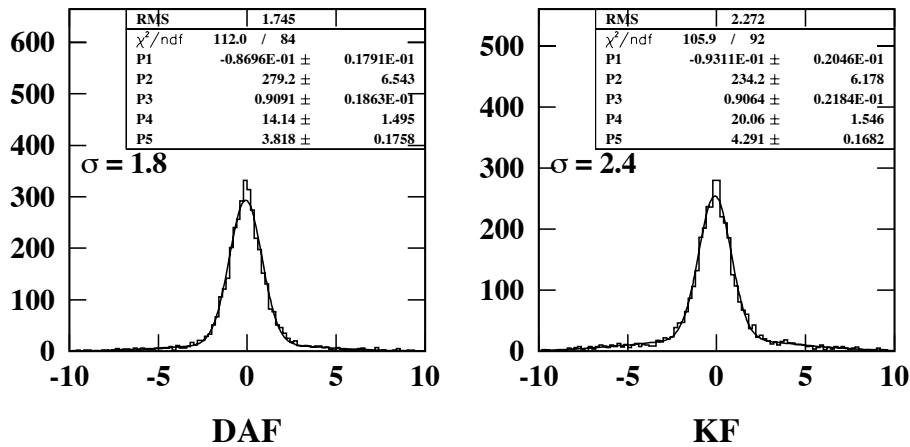


# The Deterministic Annealing Filter

## Transverse IP resolution - $|\eta| < 0.7$



## Transverse IP pull - $|\eta| < 0.7$





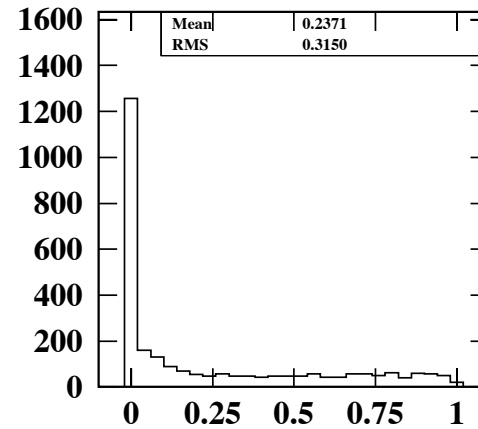
# Adaptive filters: the DAF and the MTF

Reconstruction of  $\pi$  tracks from the decay of high- $p_T$   $\tau$ :

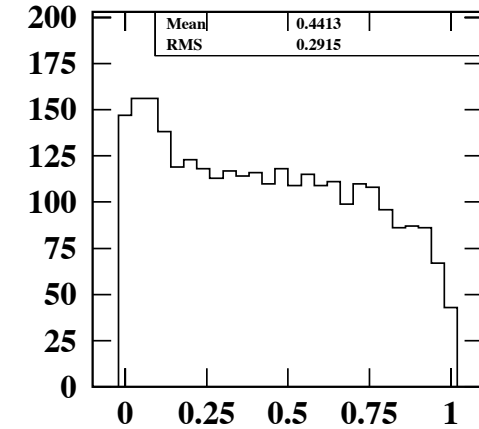
$H^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ ,  $m(H^0) = 500 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

- KF: Kalman Filter alone
- DAF: DAF with seed from KF
- KF+MTF: MTF tracks, seeded with KF tracks
- DAF+MTF: MTF tracks, seeded with DAF tracks

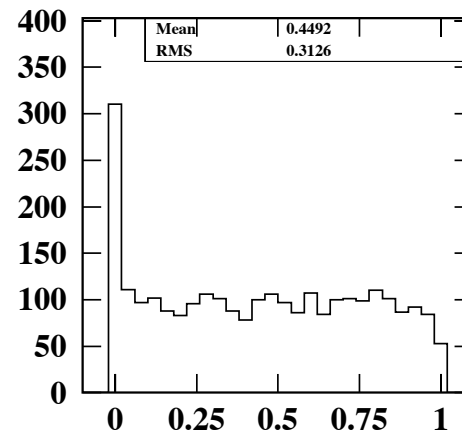
$\chi^2$  probability



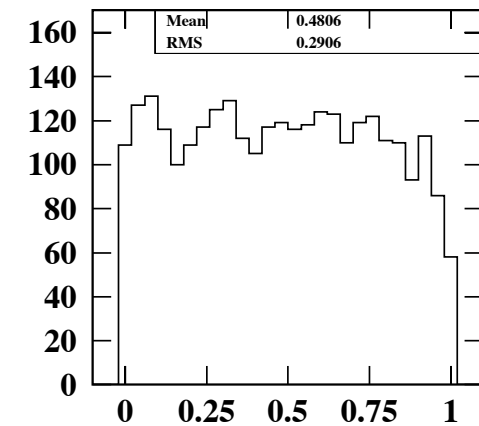
KF



DAF



KF+MTF

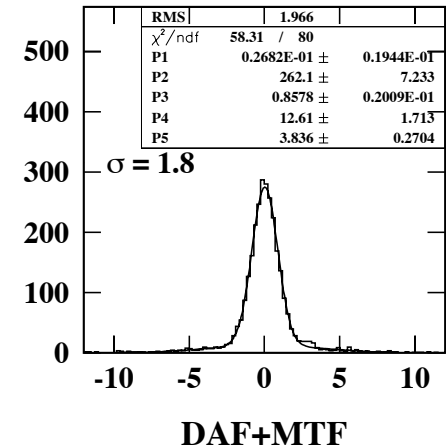
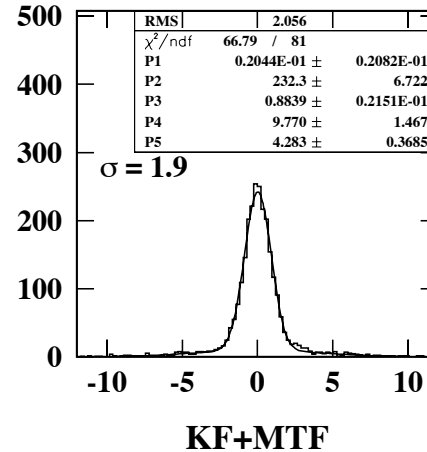
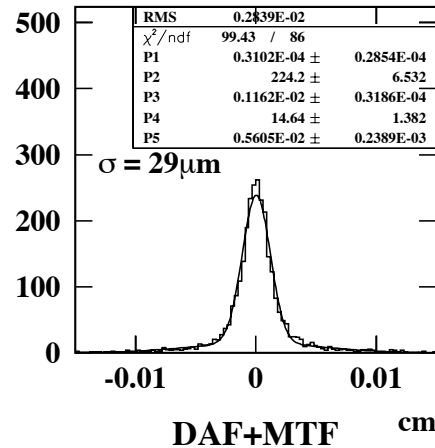
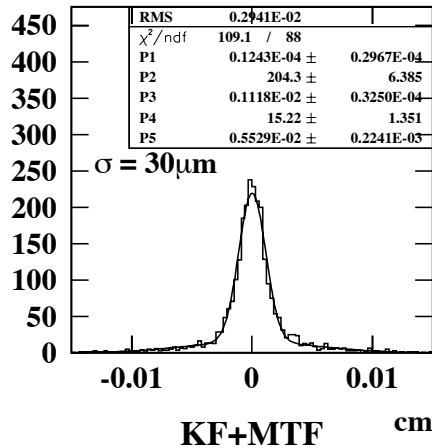
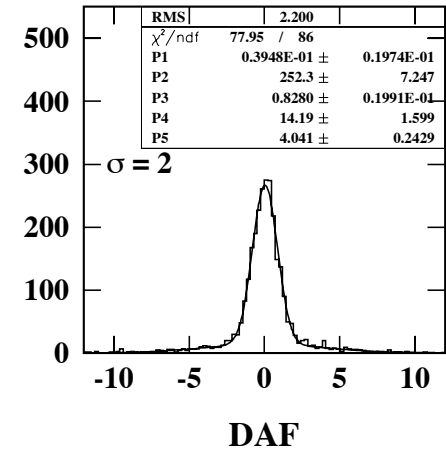
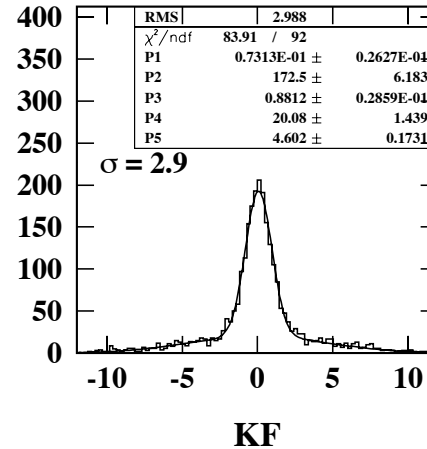
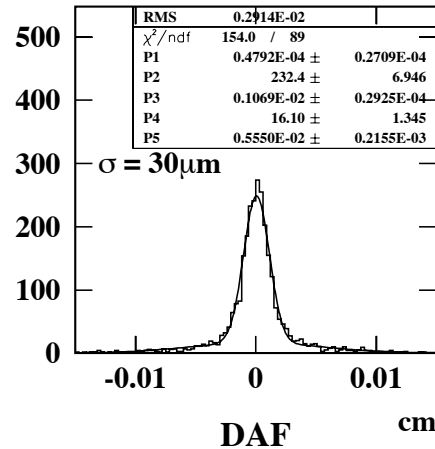
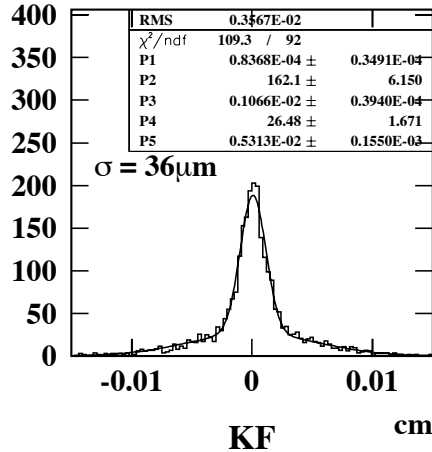


DAF+MTF

# Adaptive filters: the DAF and the MTF

## Transverse IP resolution

## Transverse IP pull



Little improvement with the MTF over the DAF

## Adaptive filters: the DAF and the MTF

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- DAF: “dense environment”, e.g.  $b$ -jet with  $E_T=200$  GeV ,  $\tau$  jets:
  - Better track parameter resolutions and error estimates
  - Better track quality ( $\chi^2$ )
- MTF: little improvement over DAF at the expected track densities!
  - little improvement on track parameter resolution
  - slightly better error estimate
  - slightly better overall track quality
- Better hit assignment (slightly lower fake rate)
- Seeding delicate (esp. MTF)
  - Better seeding methods would be needed
- Slower than standalone KF, use where appropriate

# Conclusion

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- CMS has a very robust and versatile tracker and track reconstruction algorithms, with sufficient redundancy to operate in a very challenging environment
- Very capable tracker
  - Low occupancy
  - Reconstructed hits have a high purity
- Combinatorial Kalman filter shown to give very good results even in difficult environments:
  - good performance, suitable for high luminosity or heavy ion collisions
  - high efficiency, low fake rate
- Efficient and robust pattern recognition
  - Low contamination from spurious hits, even with PU
  - Reconstruction ambiguities are solved after the first few layers
- Fast enough for to be used in the HLT
  - Good track parameter resolutions after using only the first five to six hits
- More sophisticated methods available for specific applications (GSF, DAF, MTF): adaptive algorithms show improvements w.r.t. LSM in difficult situations