



# Low Momentum Track Reconstruction (for Mu2e)

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# The Mu2e Experiment



- Search for Charged Lepton Flavor Violation in μ- capture on (Al) nuclei
- Target Sensitivity:  $\Gamma_{\mu\to e}/\Gamma_{\mu\text{ capture}} \sim 10^{-16}$
- First beam in 2020
- Principal detector: 20-plane straw tracker
	- 0.8 m radius × 3 m length, 1T axial field, in vacuum
	- 5 mm diameter straws
	- Wires ⊥ to Z axis
	- Large angle stereo
	- $\sim$ 1%  $X_0$  total mass
	- $\bullet$  ~20,000 channels



# Mu2e Challenges



- Single track signal
- Low-momentum (105 MeV/c) e signal track
	- multi-turn helix
- High background rate
	- Most hits are from neutral particles and rays



 $~\sim$ 4K background hits/1 μsec  $~\sim$ 40 signal hits



#### Mu2e Challenges



- Extremely sensitive to momentum resolution
	- $\bullet$   $\sigma_{\text{core}}$  < 250 KeV/c (0.25% @ 105 MeV/c)
	- resolution tails < 1%<br>Reconstructed e Momentum





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# Mu2e Track Reco Strategy

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- Neural net filter of 'obvious' backgrounds
	- <sup>δ</sup>-rays, proton hits, …
- Time clustering
	- 50 nsec maximum drift
	- $\bullet$  ~8/1 S/N for Pat. Rec.
- Robust helix fit using (stereo) space points
	- ~3cm resolution Time Division along wires to resolve stereo ambiguities
- KF final fit
	- SA outlier filter





# Robust Helix Finding



- Absolute Gradient Error (AGE) circle fit
	- resistant to outliers
	- weak constraint against center drift
- Median-based linear fit to φ vs z
	- principle difficulty: resolving  $2π$  ambiguity

StrawHit ≬ Z evt 14 trk 0



# Computing Performance

- •'Triggerless' DAQ
	- data streamed to a 36 server processor farm
	- @200 KHz raw event rate
- Need factor ~200 filtering to meet storage limits
- Select using full track reconstruction
	- $\bullet$  ~4 msec/event
	- meets requirements



16 cores 120 cores







# Physics Performance



Relative axe

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#### Physics Performance



- 110 KeV/c core resolution
- 2% exponential tails



#### Discrete Ambiguity Resolution



- Residual sign assigned using extrapolation (iterative)
	- Miss-assignment probability increases at low radius
- Mu2e 'solution': use wire position for small drift times
	- Hit errors assigned accordingly



# Hit Residual Pulls

- Pull =  $\Delta/\sigma_{\text{estimated}}$
- Assigned hit errors tuned to give ~uniform track fit probability
- Outlier filtering sculpts LR ambiguity hit pulls
- LR mis-assignment comparable to intrinsic δ-ray background



#### Discrete Ambiguity Error Effect



- Momentum resolution high-side tails are correlated with discrete ambiguity mis-assignment fraction
	- ~2% mis-assignment in core
	- ~20% mis-assignment in (high-side) tail



#### Track Fit Parameterization (Helix)



- $L \equiv$  transverse flight  $P \equiv \{d_0, \phi_0, \omega, z_0, \tan \lambda\}$
- (0,0,0)  $d_0$ y x z  $Z_0$  $R=1/\omega$  $\phi_{0}$  $\lambda$ **BaBar Convention**
- Based on seeing a small segment of a helix arc
- Geometric description
	- with kinematic interpretation
- Arbitrary parametric variable

 $x(L) = 1/\omega \cdot \sin(\phi_0 + \omega L) - (1/\omega + d_0)\sin\phi_0$  $y(L) = -1/\omega \cdot \cos(\phi_0 + \omega L) + (1/\omega + d_0)\cos\phi_0$  $z(L) = z_0 + L \cdot \tan \lambda$ 

**Natural description of low-curvature tracks coming from a known point**

#### Natural Mu2e Track Description



- Mu2e tracks make ~3 turns
- No origin point within tracker
- •Tracker measures circle **Diameter**, not sagitta
- •Tracker measures **longitudinal wavelength,** not angle
- •**Time**, not position, is directly measured quantity





## Parameterization Issues



- Purely geometric description isn't helpful
	- Scattering, energy loss depend on momentum,  $\beta$
- Helix uses (arbitrary) parametric variable
	- Time is the natural physical parametric variable
- $\bullet \Rightarrow$  Put time + momentum in helix description
	- Direct use of experimental observable (time)
	- Correct correlations between kinematics and geometry
	- Physical parametric variable
	- $\bullet$  Intrinsic fit for time origin (t<sub>0</sub>)
- •6-parameter helix

#### R, Λ, t Helix Parameterization

- **R** = transverse radius
	- sign( $\mathbf{R}$ ) = sign( $d\Phi/dt$ ) = -sign( $qB_z$ )
- **Λ** = longitudinal wavelength
	- **Λ** = dz/dφ
	- sign(**Λ**) = helicity
- $C_x$ ,  $C_y$  = helix axis transverse position
- $\cdot$  **t**<sub>0</sub> = time when particle passes z=0
- $\bullet$   $\phi_0$  = momentum azimuth when  $z=0$ 
	- $\Phi_0$  = atan2( $P_y$ , $P_x$ ), t= $t_0$
- ${\bf Q} = \text{cqB}_{z}(0,0,0)$ 
	- $\bullet$  c = speed of light
	- $\bullet$  B(x) = magnetic field
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**Requires Pt ≠ 0**

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# Helix Equations



- Angular Velocity
- $\Omega$  = dΦ/dt = -c**Q**/sqrt( $(R^2 + A^2)$ **Q**<sup>2</sup> + **m**<sup>2</sup>)
- Position
- $\bullet$  x(t) =  $\mathbf{C}_x \mathbf{R} \cdot \sin(\Omega(t-t_0) + \Phi_0)$
- $\bullet$  y(t) =  $\mathbf{C}_v + \mathbf{R} \cdot \cos(\Omega(t-t_0) + \Phi_0)$
- $Z(t) = \Lambda \Omega(t-t_0)$
- Momentum
- $\bullet$   $P_x(t) = QR \cdot cos(\Omega(t-t_0) + \Phi_0)$
- $\bullet$   $P_y(t) = QR \cdot \sin(\Omega(t-t_0) + \Phi_0)$
- $\bullet$   $P_z(t) = -Q\Lambda$
- $|P| = Q \cdot \text{sqrt}(R^2 + \Lambda^2)$

#### Parameterization Comparison



- Toy MC of Mu2e detector
	- 0.8 m radius × 3 m length cylindrical chamber
	- 100  $\mu$ m resolution measurements  $\mu$  to z axis
	- 0.0002  $X_0$  material (scattering,  $\Delta E$ ) per measurement
- Study non-linearities, parameter errors and correlations in pseudo Kalman filter fit
	- Covariance computation only
	- As a function of momentum and polar angle



#### • Equivalent for both parameterizations

 $(\omega, \text{tan}\lambda, L)$  (R,  $\Lambda, t$ )

# Estimated Momentum Error



#### Covariance Correlations  $\blacksquare$ **BERKELEY**  $(\omega, \text{tan}\lambda, L)$  (R,  $\Lambda, t$ ) **Correlation Matrix Correlation Matrix**  $t_{0}$  $t<sub>0</sub>$  $0.8$  $0.8$  $0.6$  $0.6$  $\phi$ <sub>0</sub>  $\phi$ <sub>0</sub>  $|0.4$  $0.4$  $0.2$  $0.2$  $C_{v}$  $Z_0$ I٥ -0 ÷  $d_0$  $C_{x}$  $\pm 0.1$  $-$ -0.:  $-0.$  $-0.$ tanλ Lambda  $-0.1$  $-0.1$  $-0.5$  $-0.5$ Omega Radius  $-1$  $-1$  $z_0$  $C_{x}$  $C_{\rm v}$ Omega tanλ  $d_0$  $\phi_{\alpha}$ Radius Lambda  $\phi_{_{\rm O}}$  $t<sub>0</sub>$  $t_{0}$

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# Trajectory Gaps



- Scattering, energy loss modeled as discrete effects
	- Track is modeled as a sequence of separate helices
- Extended KF (1st order approximation) creates small gaps between helix segments
- Size indicates (parameterization-dependent) non-linearities



## Conclusions + Future Work



- Low-momentum, high-precision tracking imposes special requirements
	- Low mass detectors
	- 3-d measurements
	- high speed, high efficiency, high resolution reconstruction
- Mu2e has a working solution
- Outstanding issues:
	- Helix finding efficiency
	- Discrete ambiguity resolution
	- Optimal parameterization

#### Backup

What is Special About Low Momentum?

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- Increased material effects
	- multiple Coulomb scattering  $\sim$ 1/P $\beta$
	- energy loss straggling RMS  $\sim$ 1/P $\beta$ <sup>2</sup>
- Looping
	- multi-turn helices overlap in x-y and time
- Overlapping intrinsic background processes
	- delta-rays, hadronic interactions, albedo, decay, …

# Material Effects



- Model using Lynch-Dahl formula (NIM B58 (1991))
	- Screened Rutherford cross-section
	- Parameterized by tail truncation factor
		- Can be tuned to model reconstruction truncation
- Most probable value for energy loss, straggling
	- Mean is biased towards tail
	- Landau tails are 'self-truncated' by pat. rec.

## **BaBar Experience**

- Low momentum tracks loop in the drift chamber
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- Two kinds of reconstruction errors:  $\tan \theta$  **of reconstruction**  $\mathscr{F}$  \_\_ • **Small improvements can add up to substantial effects**
	- primary particle
	- branch hits mis-assigned to primary  $P$ Finiary
- BaBar 'solution': open track finding, filter at physics level ar 'solution': open  $\frac{1}{2}$  $\overline{1}$ 
	- $~10\%$  fake tracks
	- ~10% compromised tracks



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# (R,Λ,t) Helix Trajectory Gaps

















#### (R,Λ,t) Parameter Errors



 $\mathbf{e}^{\text{os}(\theta)}$  $-1.6$  $0.8$  $0.7$  $1.4$  $0.6$  $0.5$  $-1.2$  $0.4$  $0.3$  $0.2$  $0<sup>1</sup>$  $\mathbf{a}$ 100 110 120 130 140 150 80 90 50 60 70 Momentum (MeV/c)

C<sub>v</sub> sigma



 $\Lambda$  sigma



Radius sigma

 $C_v$  sigma











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## Helix Derivative Tests



Study change in parameters with ±1% momentum magnitude change



 $X$ -axis = exact solution, Y-axis = 1st derivative