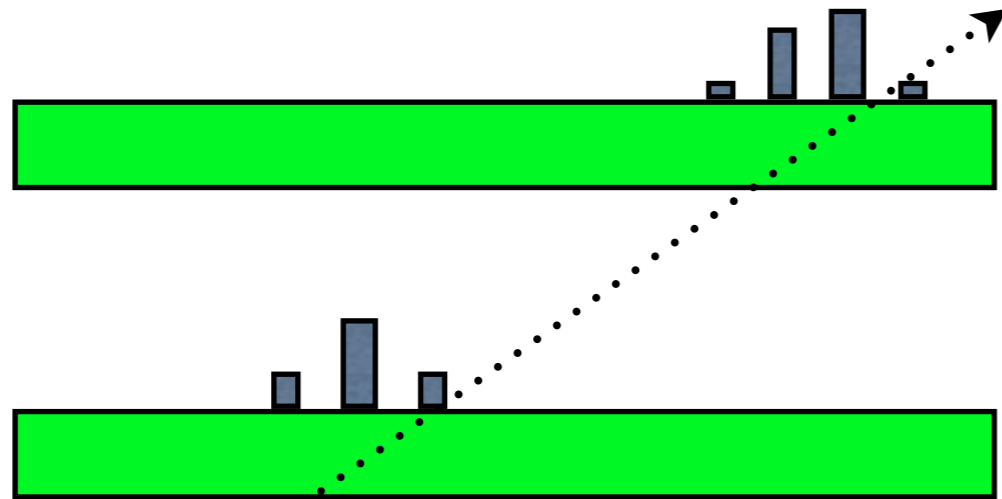


# HPS Tracker Hit Reconstruction, Tracking & Vertexing in lcsim

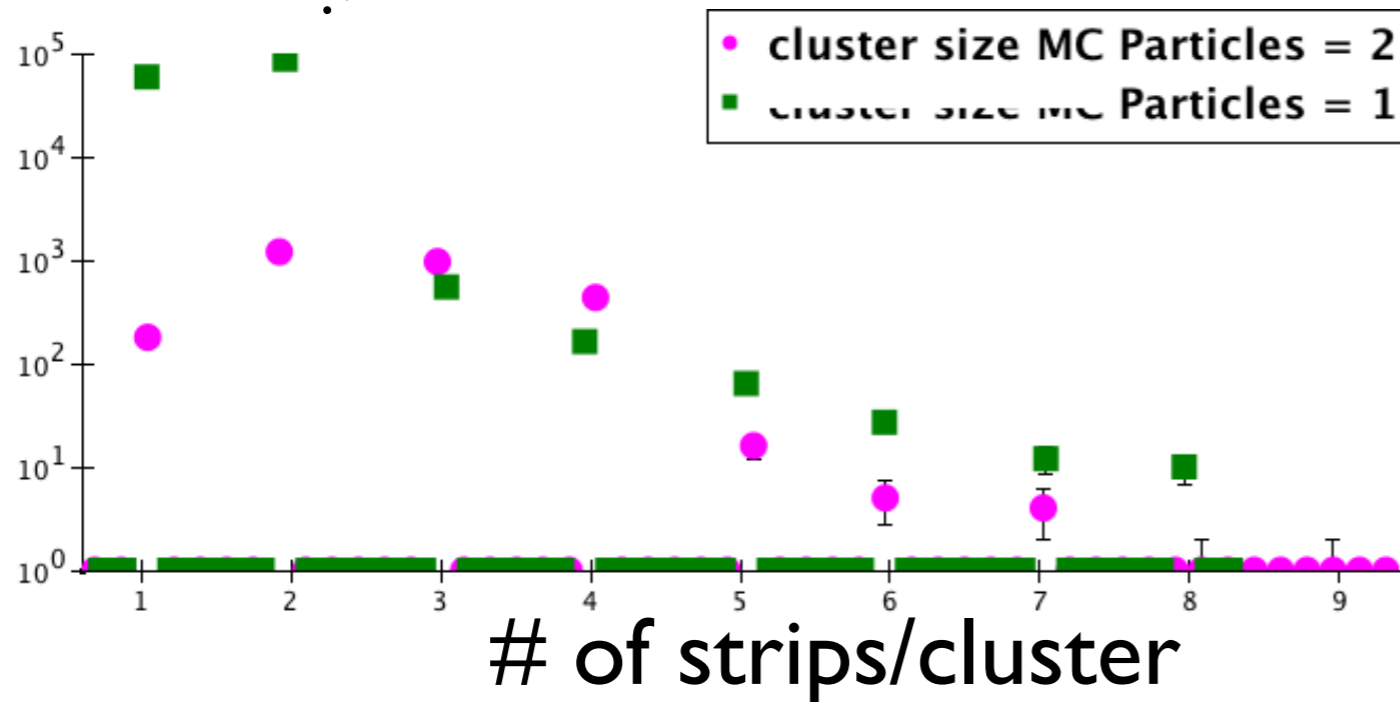
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# Hit Reco: clustering

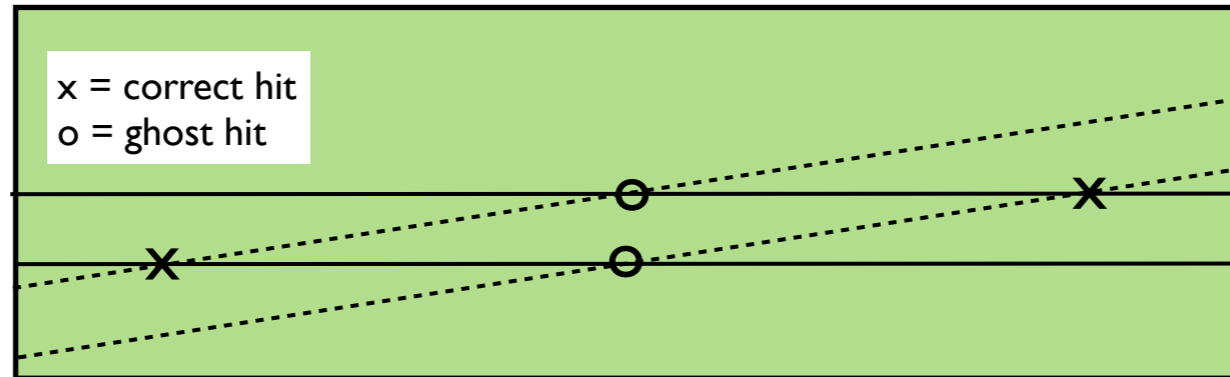


The clustering algorithm we use (NearestNeighborRMS) is pretty simple...

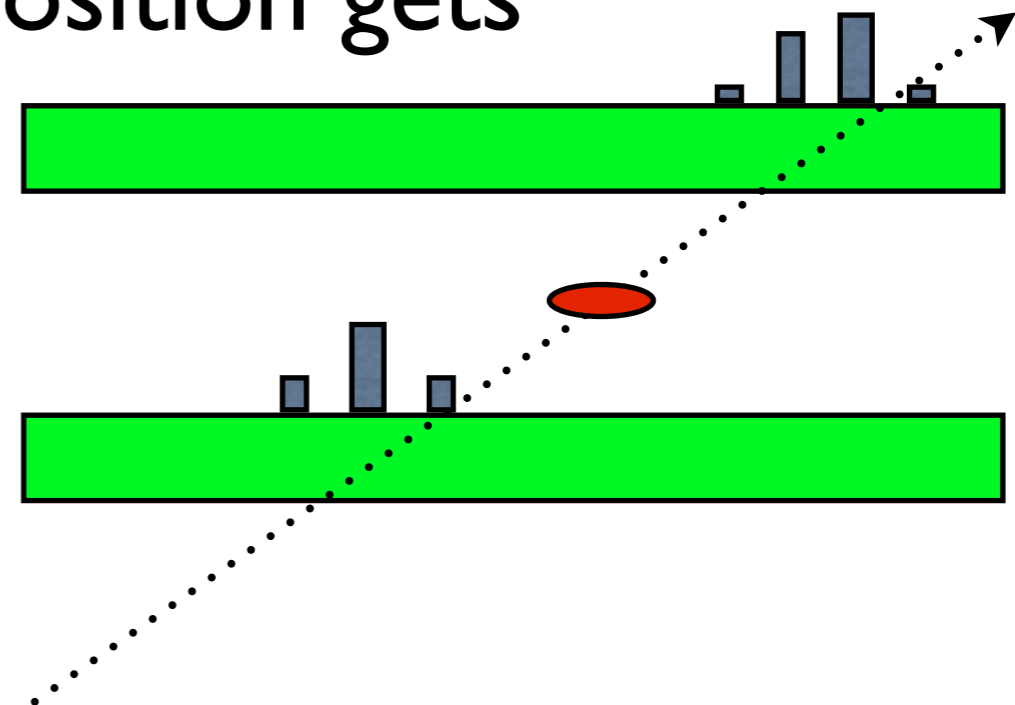
- set thresholds for seed, neighbors, and total cluster
- take hit over seed threshold and add neighboring hits until we find a hit below (neighbor) threshold
- repeat until no hits above seed threshold
- remove clusters  $> \text{MAX\_STRIPS}$
- calculate the position via pulse-height weighted mean
- currently thresholds are set to: seed =  $4 \times \sigma_N$ ; neigh =  $3 \times \sigma_N$ ; clust =  $4 \times \sigma_N$ ; MAX\_STRIPS = 10 ( $\sigma_N$  = noise RMS)
- ➡ incorporate cluster shape information
- ➡ incorporate timing information



# Hit Reco: stereo hits



- take all cluster pairs in adjacent stereo layers and create a 3d spacepoint (HelicalTrackHit)
- position between layers is taken as the midpoint
- for hits on tracks, the hit position gets corrected for the track direction



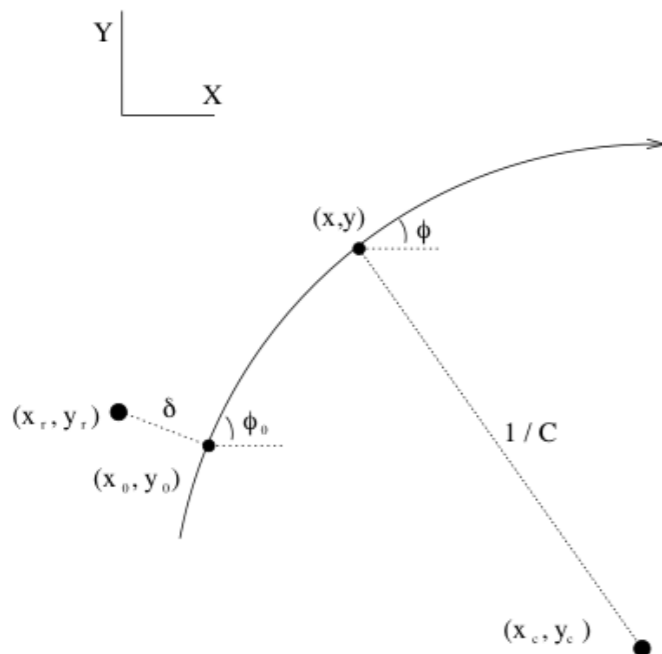
# lcsim tracking conventions

**remember!** In lcsim, the B-field is in the z-direction!  
The beam is in x and the bend is y...

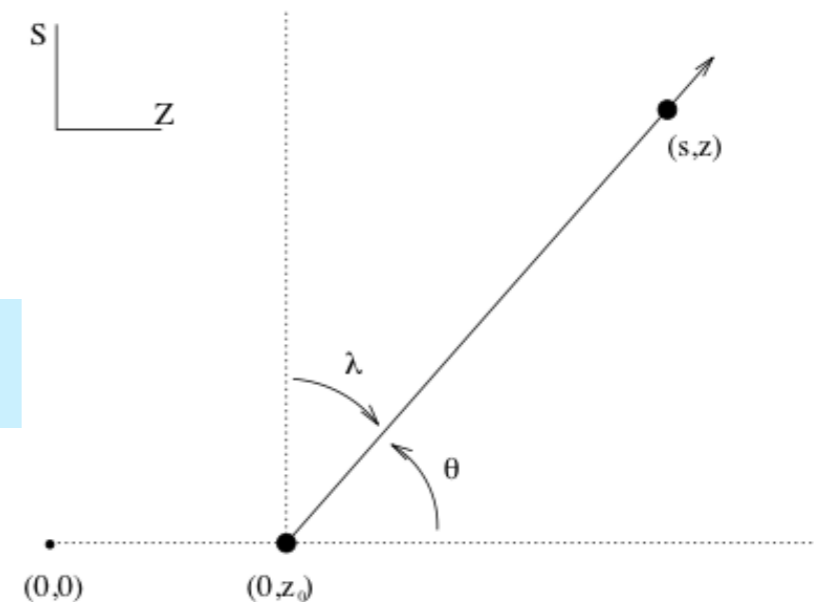
- tracks use a “perigee” parameterization similar to what was introduced by Billoir & Qian (NIM A311, 1992)

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 (\varepsilon, z_0, \theta, \phi_0, \rho) &\Rightarrow (\delta, z_0, \tan\lambda, \phi_0, \rho) \\
 \varepsilon &= -\delta; \theta = \pi/2 - \lambda
 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{All quantities measured wrt} \\ \text{point of closest approach to z-axis} \end{array}$$

- this isn't the most natural coordinate system for us...better to have the beam in z; look into transforming (transparent for enduser)



Figures from “Helicoidal Tracks”,  
J. Alcaraz, L3 Internal Note I666



# Track Finding: Strategies

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<StrategyList xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xs:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="http
  <TargetDetector>DarkPhoton-Thin</TargetDetector>
  <Strategy name="HelicalTrackHit Strategy">
    <!--Cutoffs-->
    <MinPT>0.200</MinPT>
    <MinHits>5</MinHits>
    <MinConfirm>1</MinConfirm>

    <MaxDCA>4.0</MaxDCA>
    <MaxZ0>4.0</MaxZ0>
    <MaxChisq>25.0</MaxChisq>
    <BadHitChisq>10.0</BadHitChisq>
    <!--Layers-->
    <Layers>
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      <Layer type="Confirm" layer_number="7" detector_name="Tracker" be_flag="BARREL" />
      <Layer type="Extend" layer_number="9" detector_name="Tracker" be_flag="BARREL" />
    </Layers>
  </Strategy>
</StrategyList>
```

$p > 200 \text{ MeV}$   
5 hits  
1 confirm

$\delta < 4 \text{ mm}$   
 $z_0 < 4 \text{ mm}$   
 $\chi^2_{\text{tot}} < 25$   
 $\chi^2_{\text{hit}} < 10$

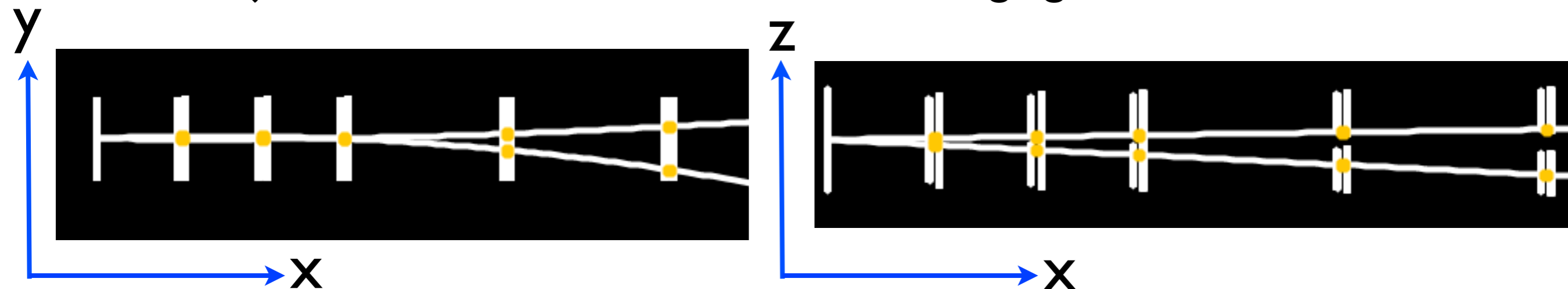
- seed-confirm-extend: seed track with inner hits, confirm with next layer, extend with outer layers
- tracking code uses HelicalTrackHits, so for the test run detector there are 5 layers

# Track Finding & Fitting

- Track finding and fitting is done stepwise using “SeedTracker” and following the given strategy
- Loop over all HelicalTrackHits in the seed layers to create a 3-hit seed track...check if it passes strategy cuts
  - the DCA and  $z_0$  cuts are implemented as constraints...eg  $\chi^2 = \chi^2 + (z_0 - z_{0\max})^2 / \sigma^2(z_0)$  if  $z_0 > z_{0\max}$
- For each seed, add in confirm layer and associate best hit...check chi2 again
- add in extend layers...reject if the added  $\chi^2$  exceeds  $\chi^2_{\text{hit}}$
- require track has required number of hits and  $\chi^2$
- after all tracks found, make sure no tracks with more than single shared hit

# Helix Fitting

- The actual fitting of the track is done in “HelicalTrackFitter”
  - Circle fitter:  $P(x,y) \Leftrightarrow C(\delta, \phi_0, \rho)$ 
    - `org.lcsim.fit.circle.CircleFitter`
  - Z-segment fitter:  $P(s,z) \Leftrightarrow L(\tan\lambda, z_0)$ 
    - $s$  is the path length from the POCA to z-axis to the hit
    - `org.lcsim.fit.zsegment.ZSegmentFitter`
  - Each calculated the best fit parameters and covariance matrices
  - Both of these routines are non-iterative  $\Leftrightarrow$  very fast
  - The results of the two fits are pasted together to form “HelicalTrackFit” object...which then gets put into a “SeedTrack” object which also includes the hits belonging to the track.



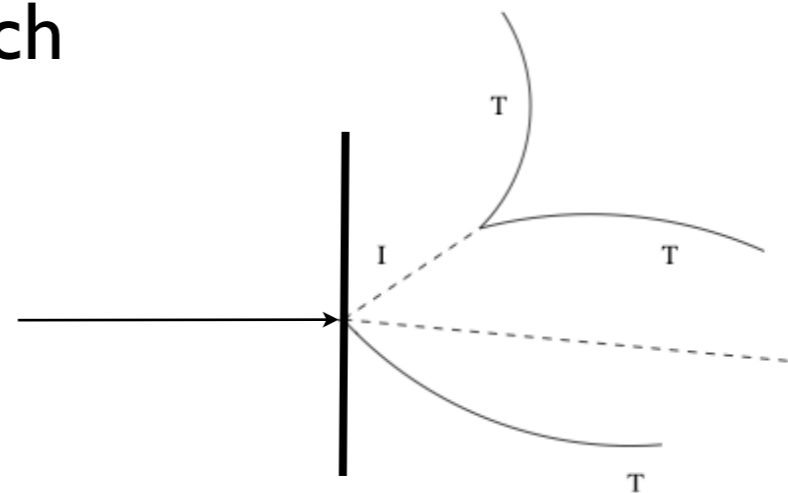
# Multiple Scattering and Track Fitting

- The effects of multiple scattering are accounted for in the fit by adding to the uncertainty of the hit positions
  - calculates the amount of material transversed
    - `org.lcsim.recon.tracking.seedtracker.MaterialManager`
  - ...and the corresponding MS angular deviation based on path of track through material
    - `org.lcsim.recon.tracking.seedtracker.MultipleScattering`
  - MS error for hit in layer N is the angular deviations for layers  $1 \rightarrow N-1$  added in quadrature
    - e.g. the hit in layer 4 is given an MS error of  $\sqrt{\sigma_{MS1}^2 + \sigma_{MS2}^2 + \sigma_{MS3}^2}$
    - ...actually based on “scattering layers” != tracking layers
- the MS error for the hit is added in quadrature to the intrinsic measured hit error



# Vertexing

- 2-track vertexing is based on the Billoir et al. method
    - Billoir, Fruhwirth, Regler NIM A241, 1985
    - Billoir and Qian NIM A311, 1992
  - Uses Kalman filter techniques and the perigee helix parameterization to calculate the vertex position and fitted track parameters
  - Assumes no curvature near the vertex...probably need to iterate for long-lived decays
  - Adding constraints is straightforward...currently we implement a target/beamspot constraint for prompt decays.
- ➡ Want to add in functionality to fit a third track originating at target..."TreeFitter" approach



# TRF & Kalman Filter

- TRF is a complete track finding and fitting package
  - user specifies geometry, hit positions
  - includes propagators from different surfaces, including (for us) XY-planes
  - *includes a Kalman filter track fitting routine*
  - used for track fitting in D0...battle tested
  - *written by Norman Graf and is one of the dependencies of lcsim...*
- Suspect that we will need KF to accurately fit tracks
  - low momentum tracks → large multiple scattering
  - may be needed for tracking through non-uniform B-field
  - account for loss of energy in tracker layers
- Started to incorporate TRF Kalman Fitter to our reconstruction
  - haven't quite got it working yet...but close
  - in practice, not for every track; restrict to tracks in an A' candidate that satisfy some pre-selection

# To-do (and wish) list...

- At some point we should isolate HPS reconstruction from LCsim proper so things don't change out from under us...first we need to decide on the software framework
- Coordinate system isn't natural for a fixed target experiment...change it?
- Helix parameters...is perigee the best if we change coordinate system?
- Hit & cluster reconstruction (also needs simulation work):
  - incorporate timing information
  - use timing/cluster shape information in clustering
  - use timing in stereo hit making
- Track finding
  - speed is the issue here, and most of the time is taken looping over combinations of hits
  - we can be smarter about choosing stereo hits to include in fits
    - outer regions of inner layers cannot make a track...remove these hits
    - use calorimeter to sweep out a range of hits
    - generally, do sectoring of hits (there is infrastructure for this)
- Track fitting
  - need Kalman routine for track fitting...this has been started but needs more work
  - alignment algorithm