



BESIII track reconstruction algorithm based on machine learning

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01 BEPCII & BESIII

- Beijing electron-positron collider (BEPCII)
 - Peak luminosity : 10^{33} cm⁻² s⁻¹
 - CMS: 2.0 4.95 GeV, τ -charm region
 - World's largest J/ψ dataset : 10 billion
- Beijing Spectrometer (BESIII)
 - Study the electroweak and strong interactions
 - Search for new physics
- Main Drift Chamber (MDC)
 - 43 sense wire layers
 - dE/dx resolution : 6%
 - Momentum resolution : 0.5%@1GeV/c



Aerial view of the BEPCII





01 Traditional tracking of BESIII drift chamber



01 Motivation

Further optimizations: Increase the tracking efficiency

and performance for special events

- Low transverse momentum
- Large dip angle
- Secondary vertex
- New Challenge: Higher Background and noise with the upgrade of BEPCII
 - Noise hit resistance
- But the optimization of the traditional tracking algorithm could be very challenging
- Goals of this study
 - Explore the new tracking method with novel technologies
 - GNN, DBSCAN...
 - Develop experiment independent tracking with 2-D measurement (drift chamber) for other experiments (i.e. STCF, CEPC ...)





ZR view of drift chamber

02 Methodology: workflow



02 Graph Neural Network

- A type of neural network that are specifically designed to operate on graph-structured data
- ♦ Graph: nodes, edges
- ♦ Graph → Track
 - Nodes → Hits
 - edges → track segments
- GNN key idea: propagate information across the graph using a set of learnable

functions that operate on node and edge features

- Graph Neural Network edge classifier
 - High classification score
 - \rightarrow the edge belongs to a true particle track
 - Low classification score
 - \rightarrow it is a spurious or noise edge







02 Graph construction

Pattern Map based on MC simulation

To reduce the number of fake edges during graph construction

- Definition of valid neighbors
 - Hits on the same layer
 - Two adjacent sense wires on the left and right
 - Hits on the next layer

The collection of sense wires that could potentially represent two successive hits on a track

- MC sample used to build pattern map
 - Two million single tracks produced with BESIII offline software (BOSS)
 - 5 types of charged particles (e^{\pm} , K^{\pm} , μ^{\pm} , p^{\pm} , π^{\pm})
 - 0.05 GeV/c < P < 3 GeV/c
- Edge assignment based on Pattern Map
 - Hit with its neighbors on the same layer and next layer
 - Hit with its neighbors' neighbors on one layer apart
- To reduce the size of the graphs, the Pattern Map is further reduced based on a probability cut
- Graph representation
 - Node features (raw drift time, position coordinates r, φ of the sense wires), adjacency matrices, edge labels





A wire on layer13 and tits neighbors on layer14

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02 GNN edge Classifier based on PyTorch

- Input network
 - Node features embedded in latent space
- Graph model
 - Edge network computes weights for edges using the features of the start and end nodes
 - Node network computes new node features using the edge weight aggregated features s of the connected nodes and the nodes' current features
 - MLPs
 - 8 graph iterations
- Strengthen important connections and weaken useless or spurious ones



02 Performance of filtering noise

Dataset

- Single-particle (e^{\pm} , K^{\pm} , μ^{\pm} , p^{\pm} , π^{\pm}) MC sample
- 0.2 GeV/c < P < 3.0 GeV/c
- Mixed with BESIII random trigger data as background (~45% hits)
- Train: Validation: Test = 4: 1: 1
- Hit selection performance
 - The preliminary results show that GNN provides high efficiency and purity of hits selection



02 Clustering of Tracks Based on DBSCAN



- a) Original MC data sample
 - $J/\Psi \rightarrow \rho^0 \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$
 - π⁺, π⁻ : Pt (0.2GeV 1.4GeV)
- b) Remove noise via GNN
- c) Transform to Conformal plane

• $X = \frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2} Y = \frac{2y}{x^2 + y^2}$

• Circle passing the origin transform into a straight line

- d) Transform to ' α ' parameter plane
 - Hits connected in the X-Y plane in a straight line
 - α as the angle between the straight line and X axis
 - The parameter space as cosα and sinα
- e) DBSCAN clustering in ' α 'parameter plane
 - Density-Based Spatial Clustering of Application with Noise
 - Hits in a cluster are considered to be in the same track

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02 DBSCAN Performance



- DBSCAN can achieve high clustering efficiency ($\frac{N_{track}^{\text{predicted}}}{N_{track}^{real}}$
- An obvious bulge at the purity $\left(\frac{N_{cluster}^{real}}{N_{cluster}^{all}}\right)$ of about 0.5
 - Can not separate hits from the two very close tracks
 - It accounts for about 3.5%



02 Optimizations

- Random sample consensus (RANCAS)
 - Estimate a mathematical model from the data that contains outliers
 - Its good robustness to noise and outliers
 - Model can be specified
- RANCAS is triggered by the events that DBSCAN processing fails
 - Polar coordinate space

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- linear model (being optimized to a more suitable model for tracks)
- Inliers \rightarrow a track , outliers \rightarrow other tracks
- Stop condition: outliers < threshold







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02 Results after Optimizations

- Removed bulges at purity
- Track finding efficiency
 - track eff = $\frac{N_{\text{rec tracks}}}{N_{\text{total tracks}}}$
 - Pt > 0.2 GeV/c , track eff > 90%
 - Pt > 0.45 GeV/c , track eff > 98%



02 Track fitting

Genfit2

- A Generic Track-Fitting Toolkit
- Experiment-independent framework
- PANDA, Belle II, FOPI and other experiments
- Deterministic annealing filter (DAF) to resolving the left-right ambiguities of wire measurements



03 Preliminary Results

- Particle reconstructed performance
 - $J/\Psi \rightarrow \rho^0 \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$ from MC simulation
 - The preliminary results presents promising performance





04 Summary

◆ A novel tracking algorithm prototype based on machine learning method at BESIII is under development

- GNN to distinguish the hit-on-track from noise hits.
- Clustering method based on DBSCAN and RANSAC to cluster hits from multiple tracks
- Preliminary results on BESIII MC data shows promising performance

Outlook

- Further optimization of the model is needed
 - To improve performance for low PT tracks
- Performance verification concerning events with more tracks







Thank you !



DBSCAN (Density-Based Spatial Clustering of Applications with Noise)

- A density-based clustering algorithm that can automatically discover clusters of arbitrary shapes and identify noise points
- Robust to outliers
- Not require the number of clusters to be told beforehand

Parameter

- Epsilon (radius of the circle to be created around each data point)
- MinPoints (the minimum number of data points required inside that circle for that data point to be classified as a Core point)
- Choose MinPoints based on the dimensionality (≥dim+1), and epsilon based on the elbow in the k-distance graph





RANSAC (Random Sample Consensus)

- Basic idea: randomly select a subset of data points, fit a model based on these points, and then judge whether the remaining data points belong to the inlier set by calculating their distances to the model
- Accurately estimate model parameters even in the presence of noise and outliers
- The specific steps
 - Randomly select a small subset of data, called the inlier set
 - Fit a model based on the inlier set
 - Calculate the distances between the remaining data points and the model, and classify these points as inliers or outliers based on a certain threshold
 - If the number of inliers reaches a preset threshold, the algorithm exits and the current model is considered good
 - If the number of inliers is not enough, repeat steps 1-4 until the maximum iteration times are reached
- Parameters such as threshold and iteration times need to be preset