Monopole tracking

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Introduction

- Magnetic monopole a stable particle carrying magnetic charge
- Proposed by Dirac in 1931 as a way to quantize electric charge
 - $e_0 g_0 = n\hbar c/2$
 - Minimal magnetic charge $g_D \approx 68.5e$
- Various theories predict monopole existence with different charge constraints
- Searches are ongoing in cosmic rays and collision experiments
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 - High magnetic charge
 - 2017 MoEDAL 68.5e < g
 - 2016 ATLAS 34e < g < 137e
 - Low magnetic charge
 1988 TASSO 10e < g < 70e
 1987 CLEO 2e < g < 10e

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Monopole parameters:

- Mass m
- Magnetic charge g
- Electric charge q





Introduction

- Electric charges "see" magnetic one as a charge with a magnitude $g\beta$, which removes $1/\beta^2$ dependence from ionisation
- Monopoles produce less hits in the drift chamber, but are reconstructed in the ECL
- Curvature in RZ plane makes it even less possible to use conventional tracking





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Tracking routine

- A track is a std::vector of hits
 - Axial hits provide (R, φ) information
 - Stereo hits provide (*z*) information based on axial track

Stereo track finder types:

Quadratic hough

- Axial track finder types:
 - Conventional Legendre
 - Relaxed Legendre
 - Straight to ECL cluster
- Concerns for dedicated tracking
 - No change in conventional tracking
 - No change in mdst size
 - Low CPU cost



Standalone efficiency



- No preselection \leftrightarrow max efficiency ~70%
- Straight axial track finder (min 5 hits)
- Quadratic hough stereo track finder (min 5 hits)

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Standalone efficiency and fake rate



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Knobs and handles

In monopole tracking modules:

- Straight axial track finder
 - Number of hits
 - ECL energy
 - Distance from IP ECL line
- Relaxed axial Legendre
 - Number of hits
 - R-φ curvature
 - Precision
- Quadratic stereo hough
 - Number of hits
 - z-s curvature?

Outside monopole tracking:

- Cluster matching
- ECL energy
- CDC hits taken/masked
- Helix tracks
- PID

- ...

Discussion

- Monopole tracking pull request is open
- "number_of_mpl_candidates" HLT flag implemented in the calibration trigger
 - Need to run in parallel to normal tracking during reprocessing to get skimmed sample with CDCwirehits
 - Potentially would like to run in parallel on HLT during phase 3
- Questions
 - How to treat CDChits flags from normal tracking?
 - Where to put modules relatively to others in reconstruction.py?
 - Which figures to provide to software / tracking / HLT people in order to approve PR?