

# Track reconstruction of charged particles using a 4D quantum algorithm

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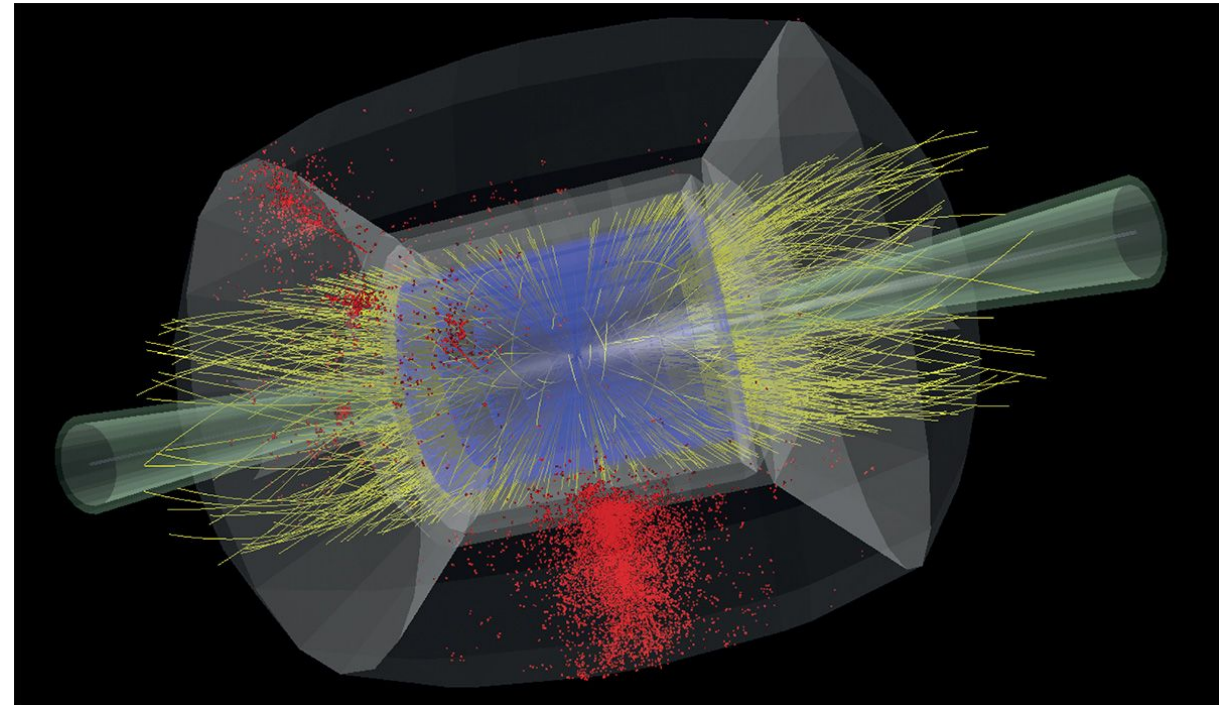
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# Track reconstruction

- Tracking can be challenging
  - good detectors and algorithms needed
- Future collider facilities plan to use detectors with timing capability
  - 4D algorithms
- This talk:
  - 4D quantum algorithm for pattern recognition of charged particle tracks
  - Results for a Muon Collider detector as an example

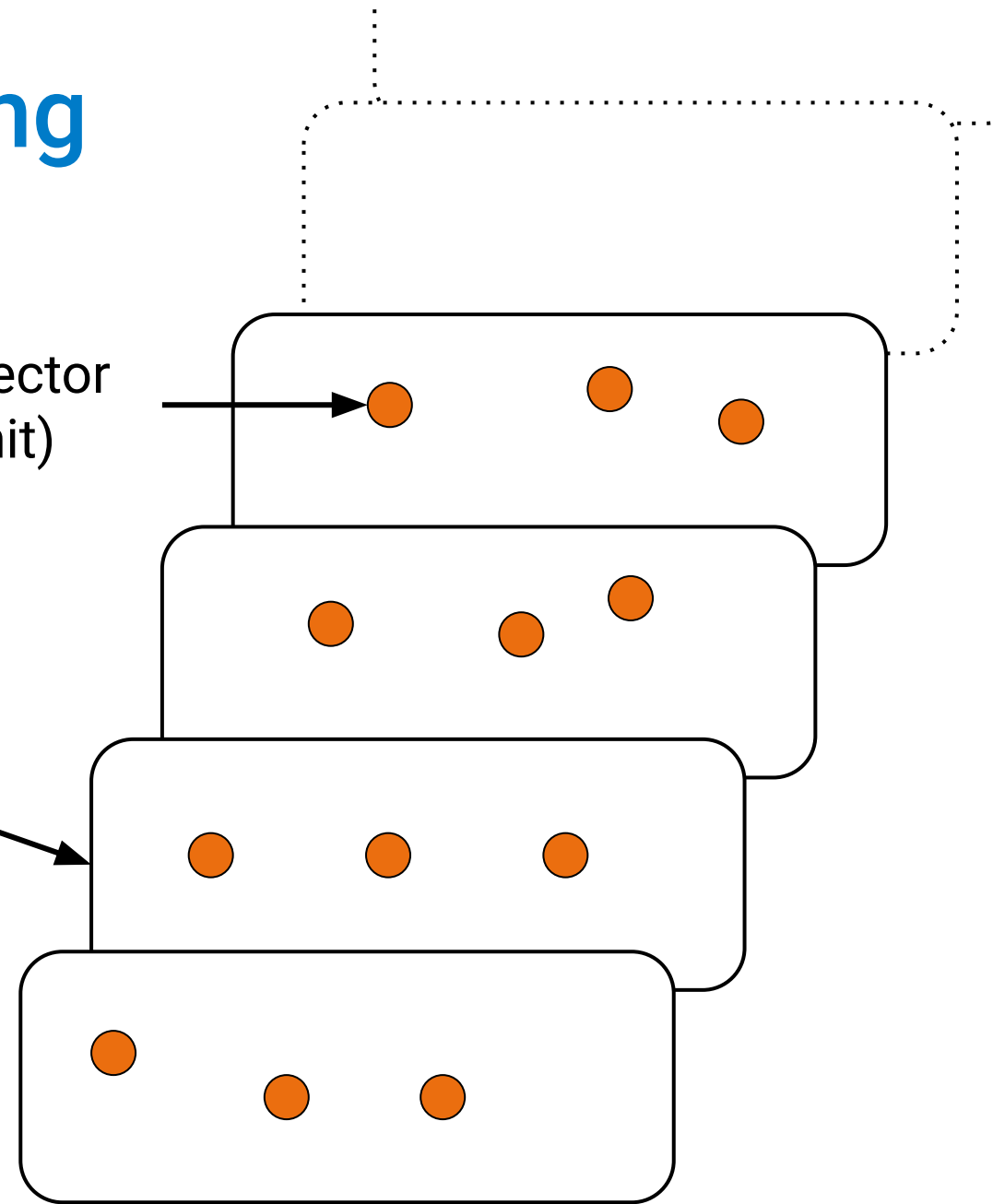


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# Pattern recognition for tracking

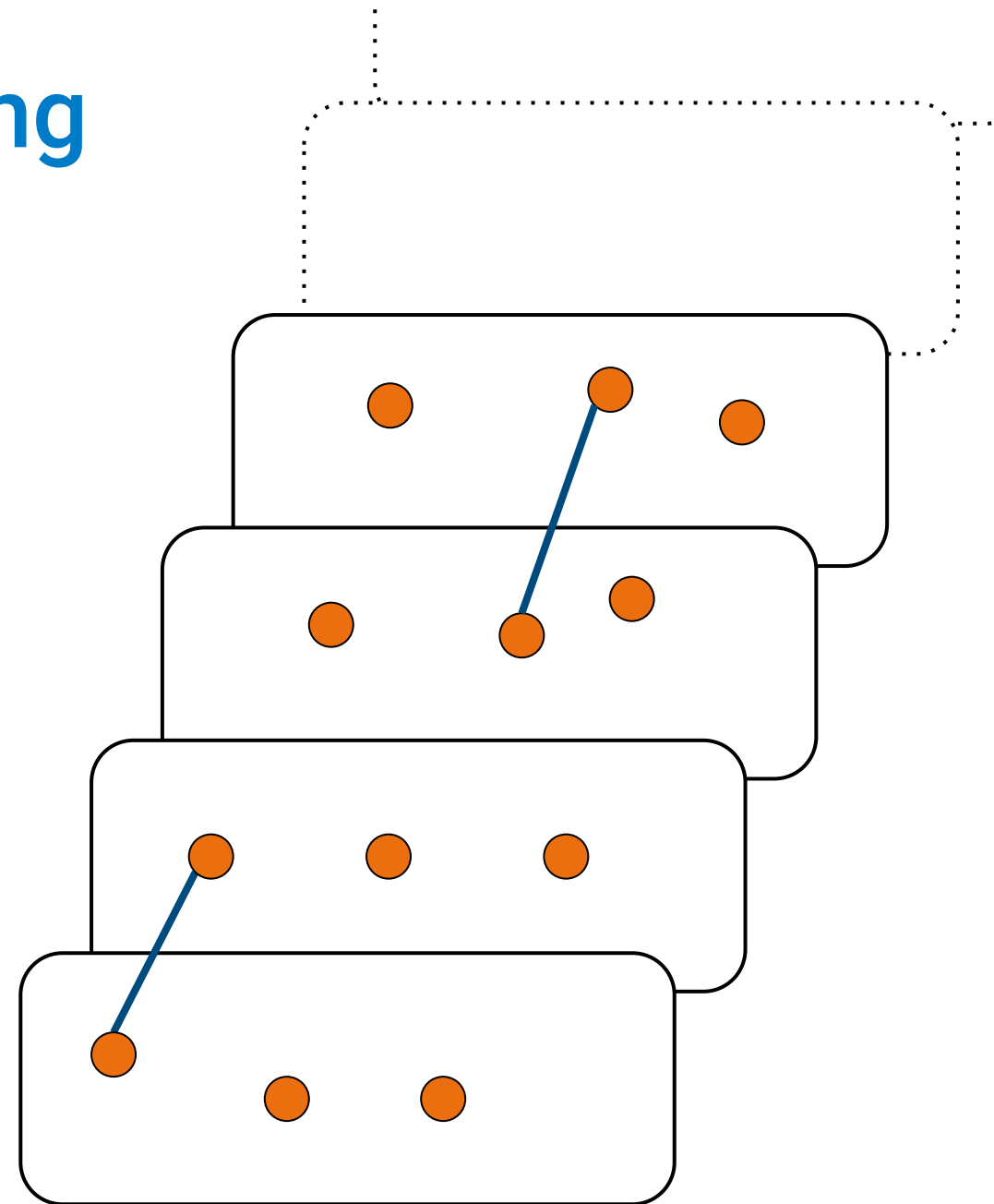
particle - detector  
interaction (hit)

detector  
layer



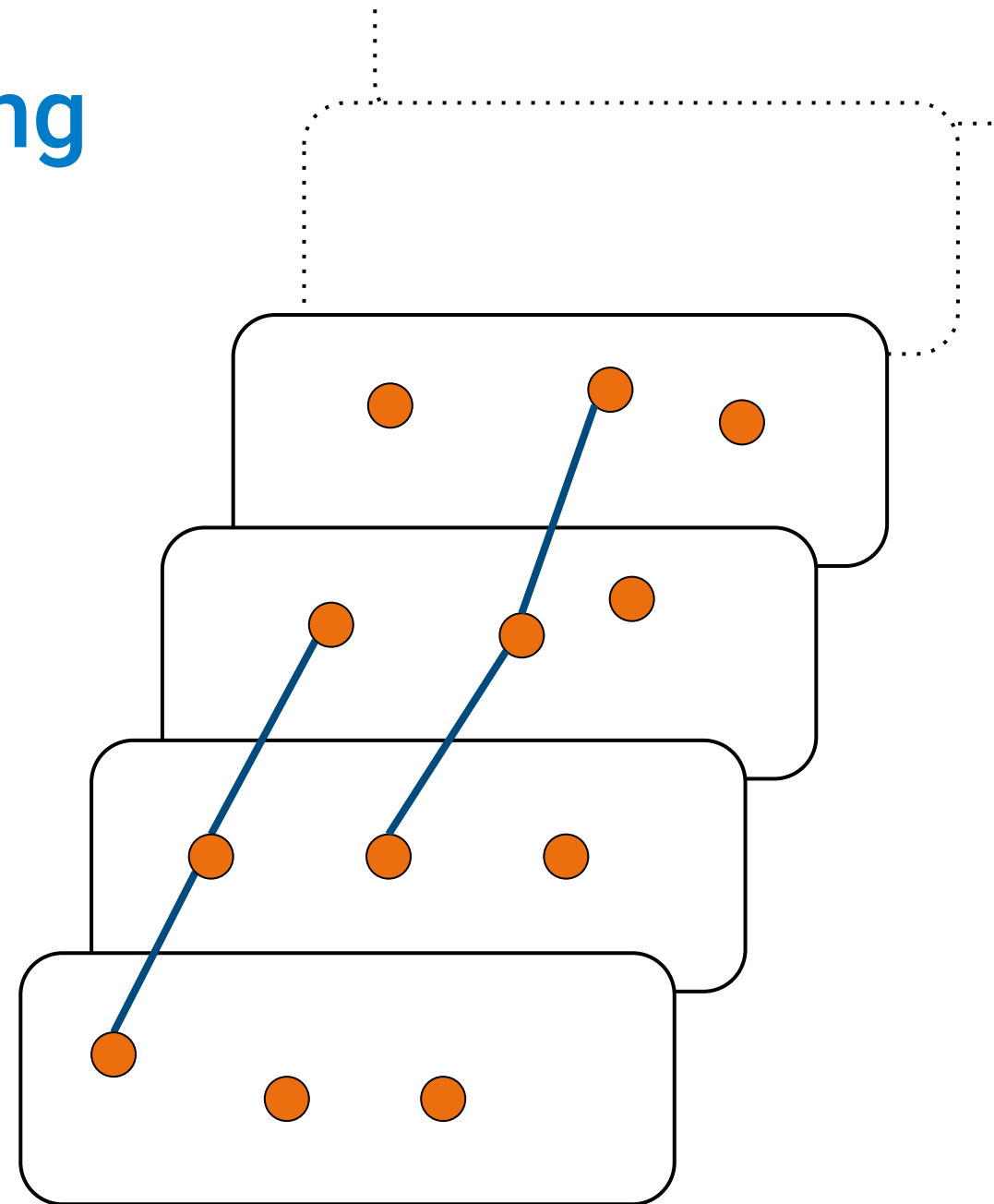
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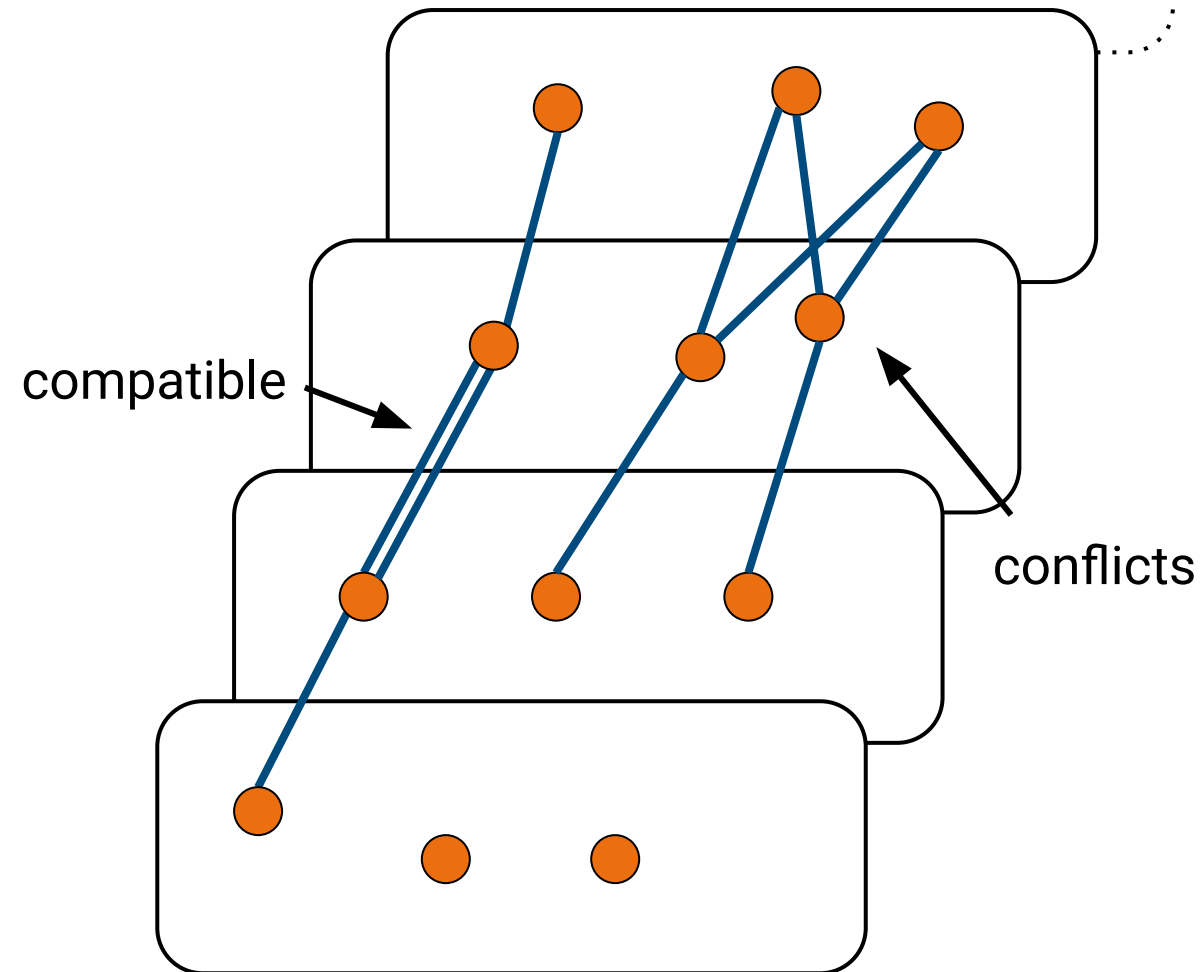
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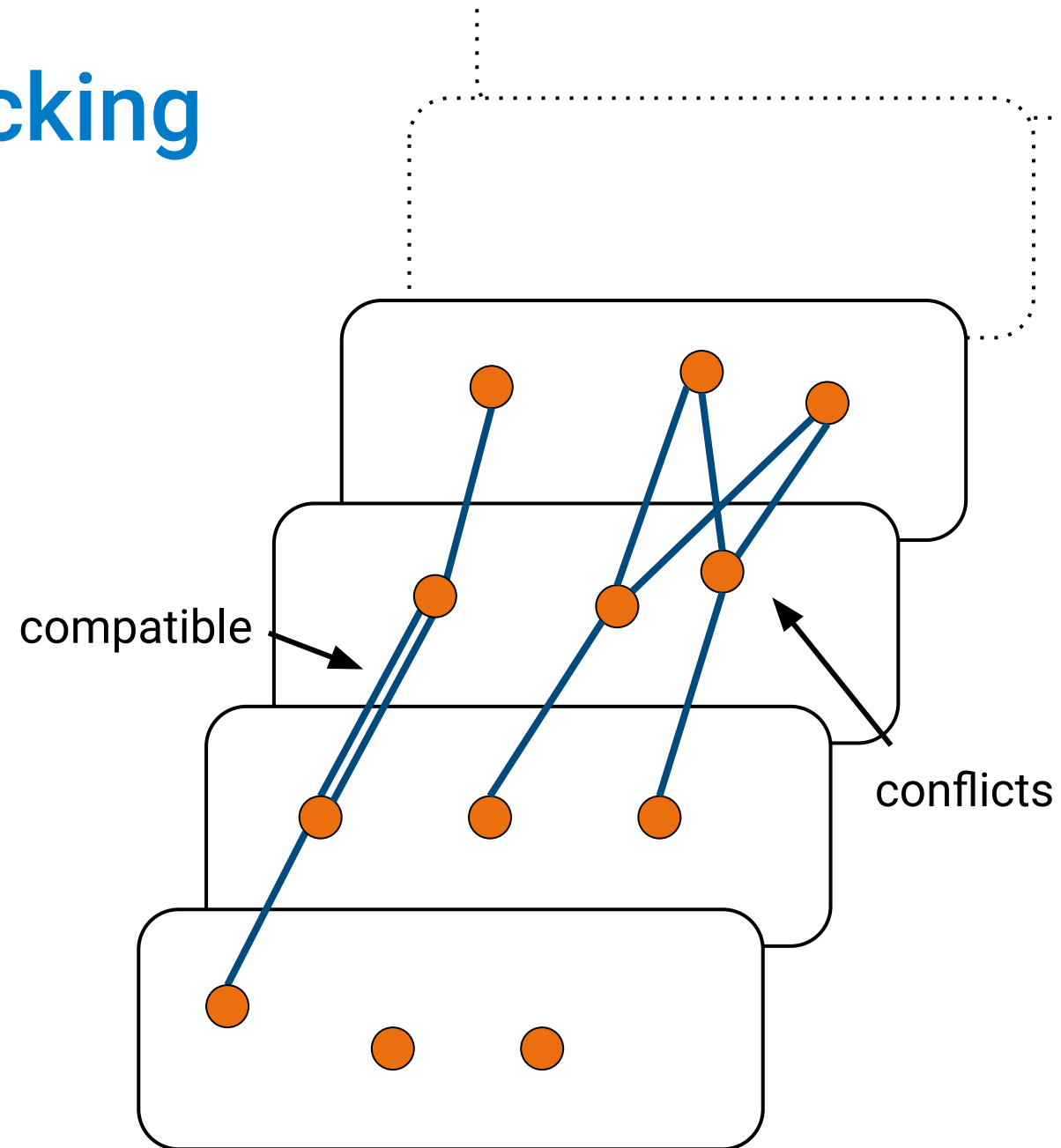


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## Goal:

Identify triplets stemming from a single particle and combine them to tracks



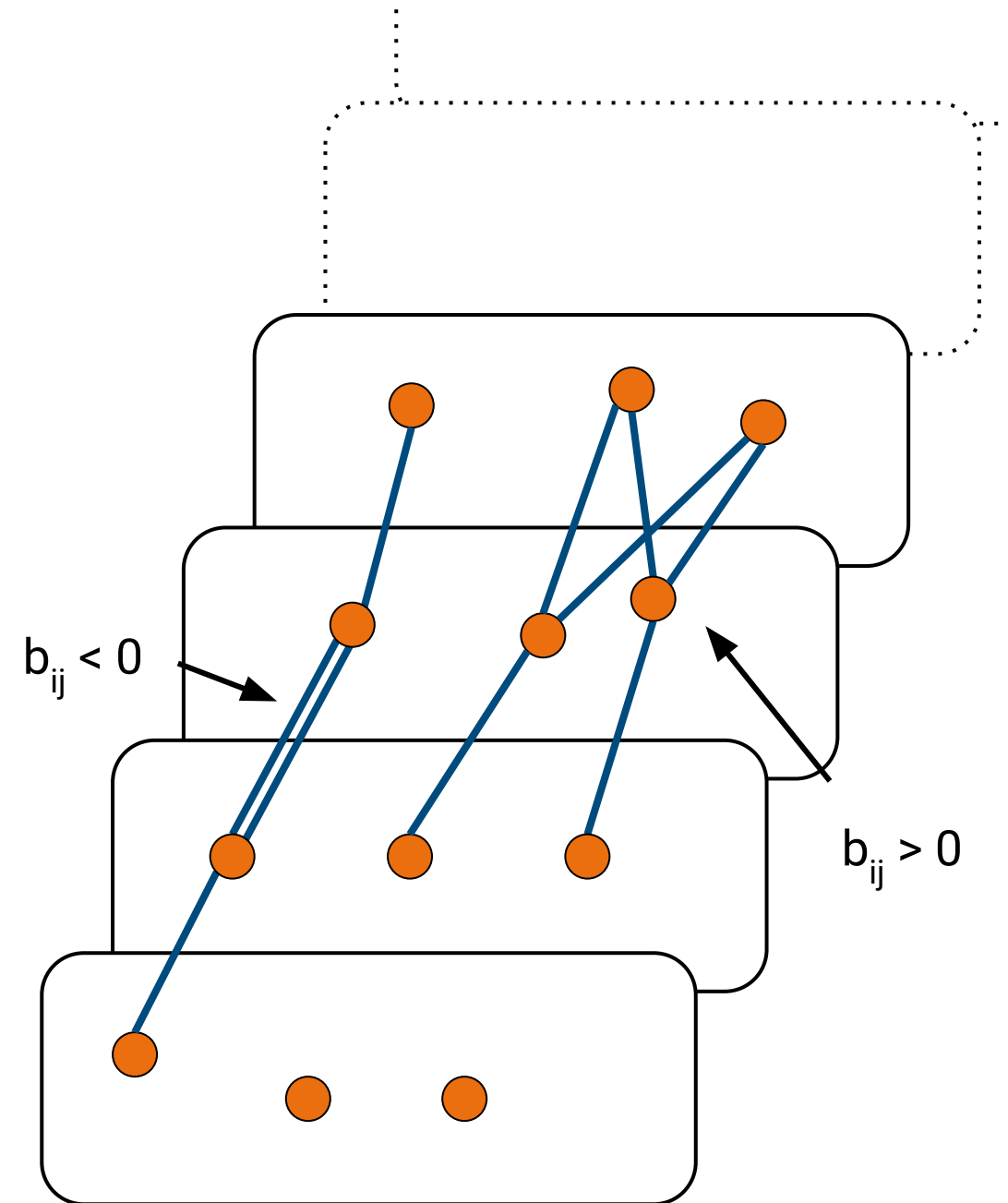
# QUBO

## Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimisation

$$\hat{H} = \sum_i^N \sum_{j<i} b_{ij} T_i T_j + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i T_i \quad (\text{QUBO})$$

- $T_i \in \{0, 1\}$
- $b_{ij}$ : interaction
- $a_i$ : quality

Coefficients can be set by using **spatial** and/or **temporal** information of the triplets





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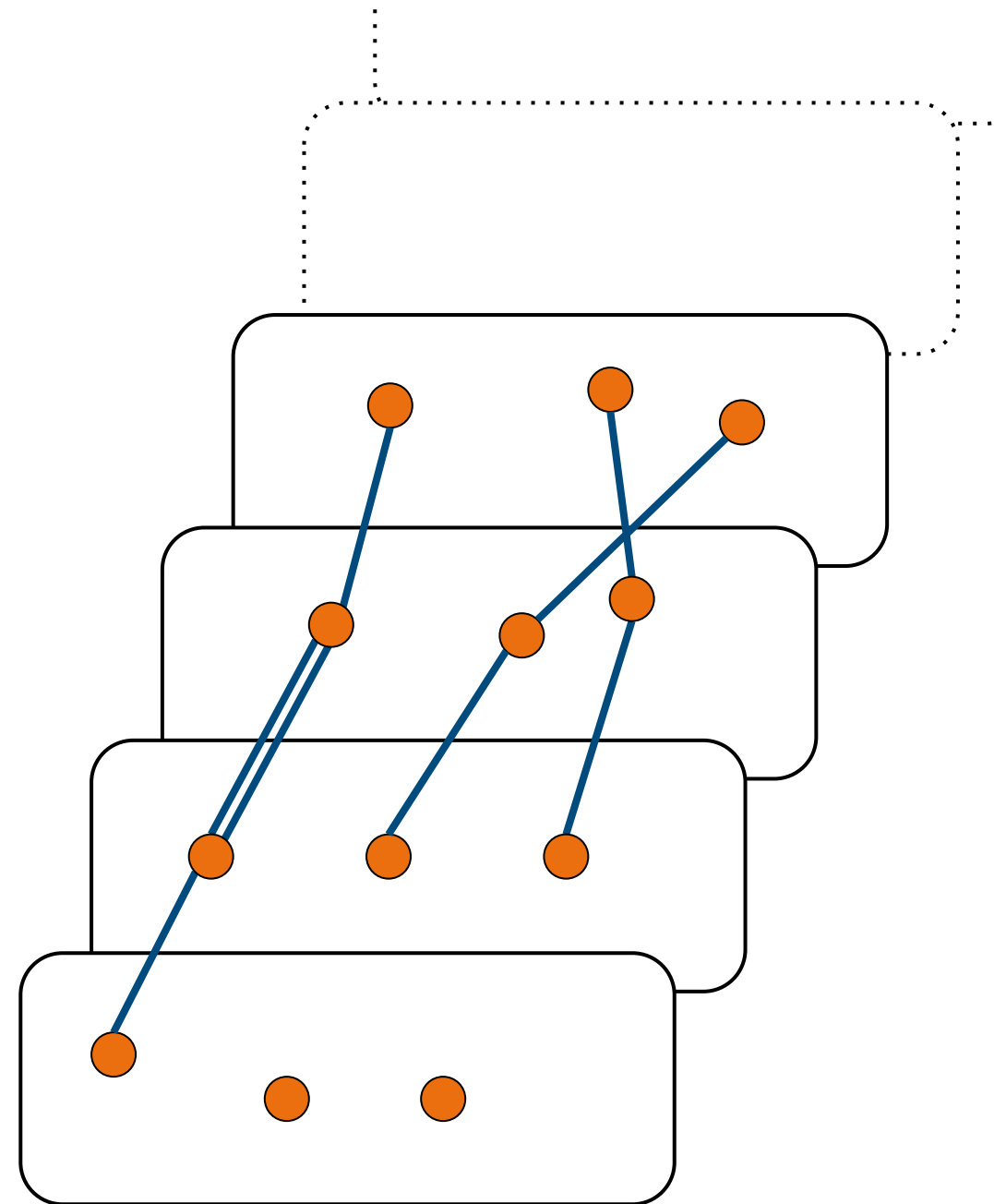
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### Minimise Hamiltonian cost function:

- Ground state  $\rightarrow$  best set of triplets
- $\mathbf{v}_{\text{binary}}: [T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots, T_N] \rightarrow [0, 1, 1, \dots, 0]$  as result

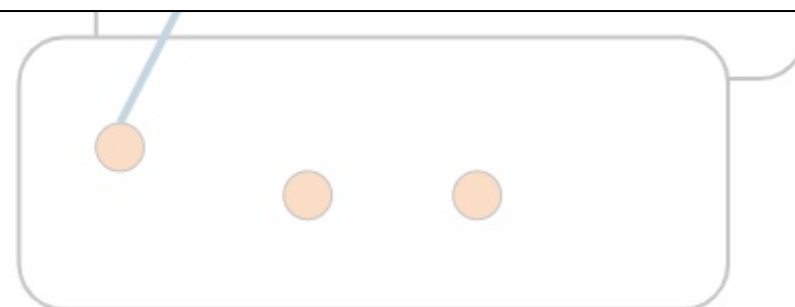
### Computation:

- Matrix diagonalisation (analytic solution)
- Hybrid quantum-classical algorithm (VQE)

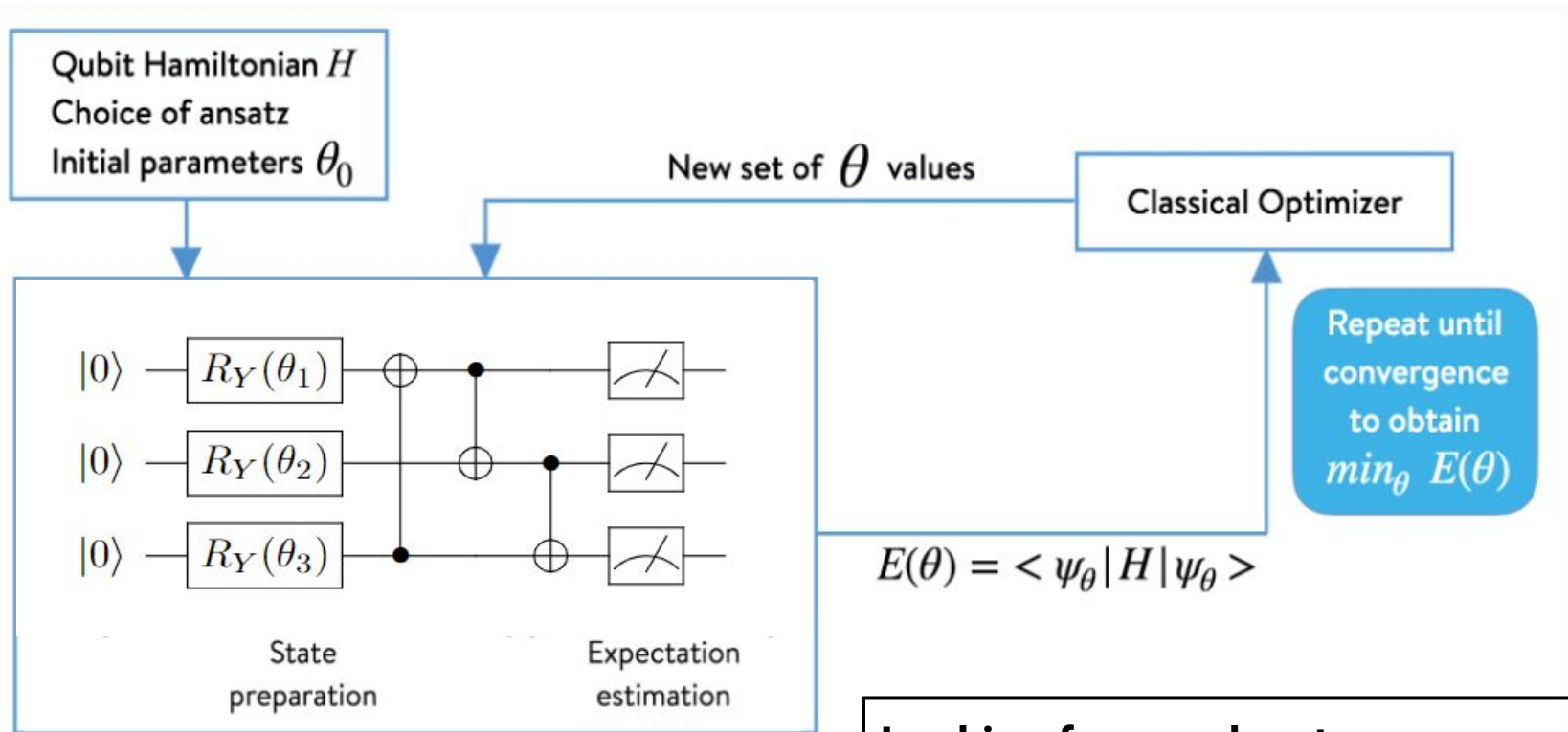


- *"Quantum algorithms for charged particle track reconstruction in the LUXE experiment"*  
(Yee Chinn Yap, Talk)
- *"Assessing the potential of quantum annealers for track reconstruction at LUXE"*  
(Annabel Kropf, Poster)
- See also: [arxiv:2304.01690](https://arxiv.org/abs/2304.01690)

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# VQE - Variational Quantum Eigensolver



Source: edited from <http://openqemist.1qbit.com/>

## Looking for an advantage:

$\dim(H) = 2^n \times 2^n$ , then  $\langle \psi | H | \psi \rangle$  needs

- $O(2^{2n})$  operations classically
- Possibly only  $O(\text{Poly}(n))$  operations with a quantum computer

# Sub-QUBOs

$$O(a,b,T) = \begin{pmatrix} T_0 \\ T_1 \\ \vdots \\ T_n \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ b_{10} & a_{11} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n0} & b_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T_0 \\ T_1 \\ \vdots \\ T_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$T_i \in \{0,1\}$

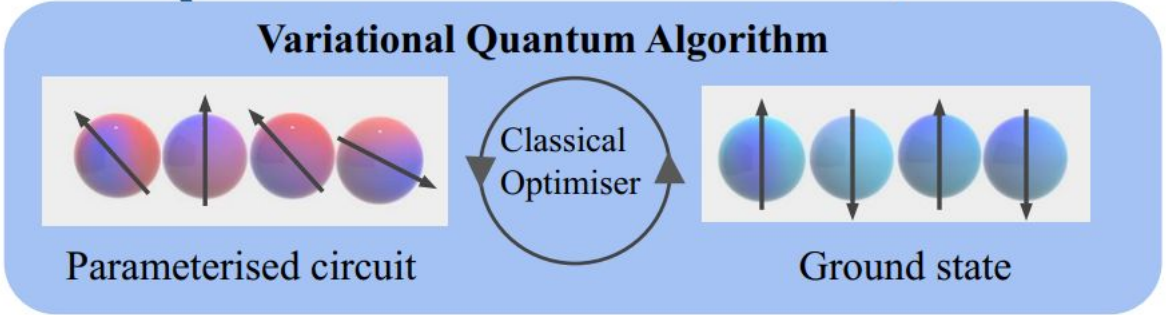
Initial triplet values

Split into sub-QUBOs

Recombine

Convergence in energy

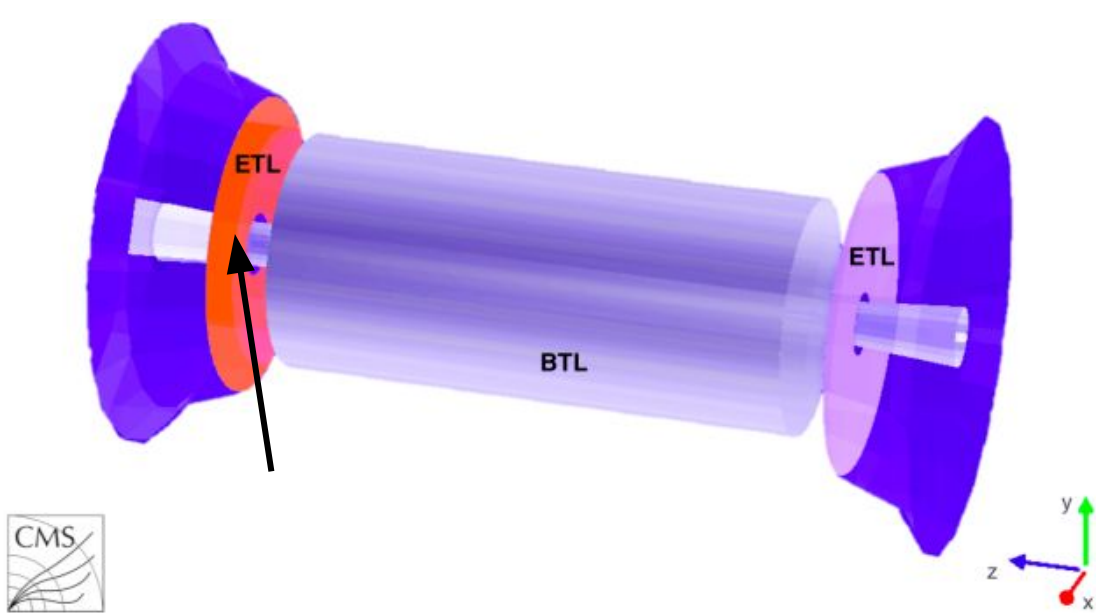
Final solution



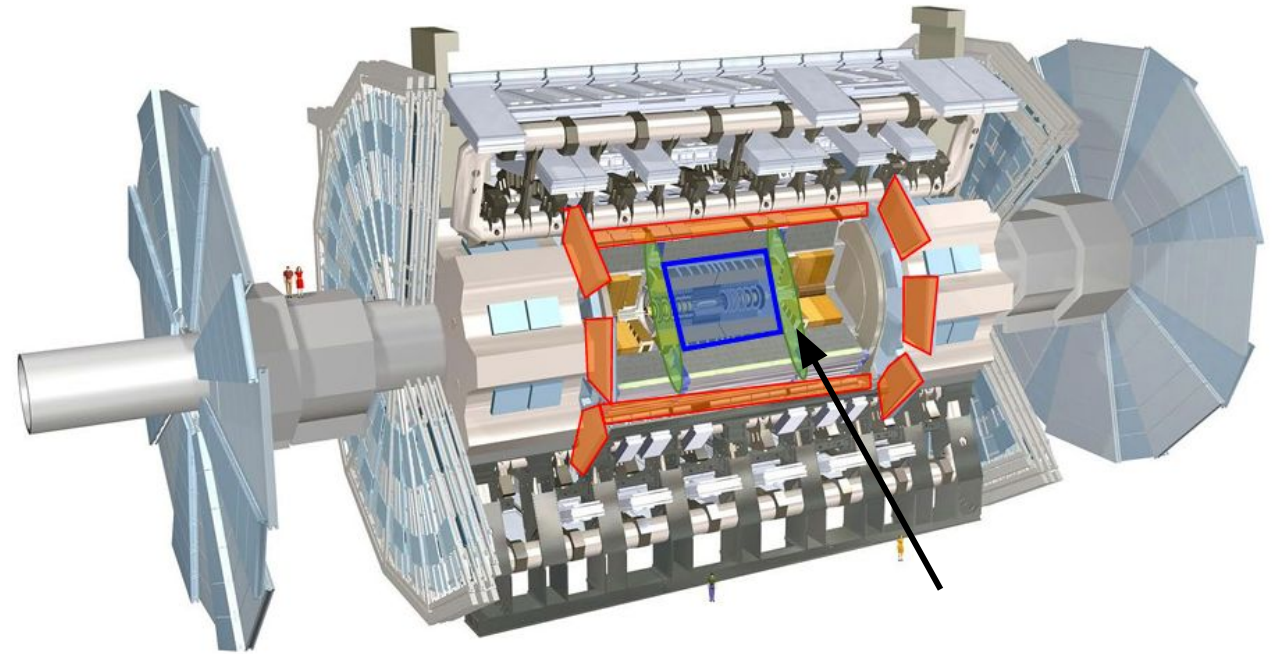
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# Timing information used for particle tracking

- Purpose: Reduce ambiguity and complexity of reconstructing trajectories
- Planned Phase-2 upgrade ATLAS(HGTD)/CMS(MIP):  
Timing layers in forward direction to reduce pileup background



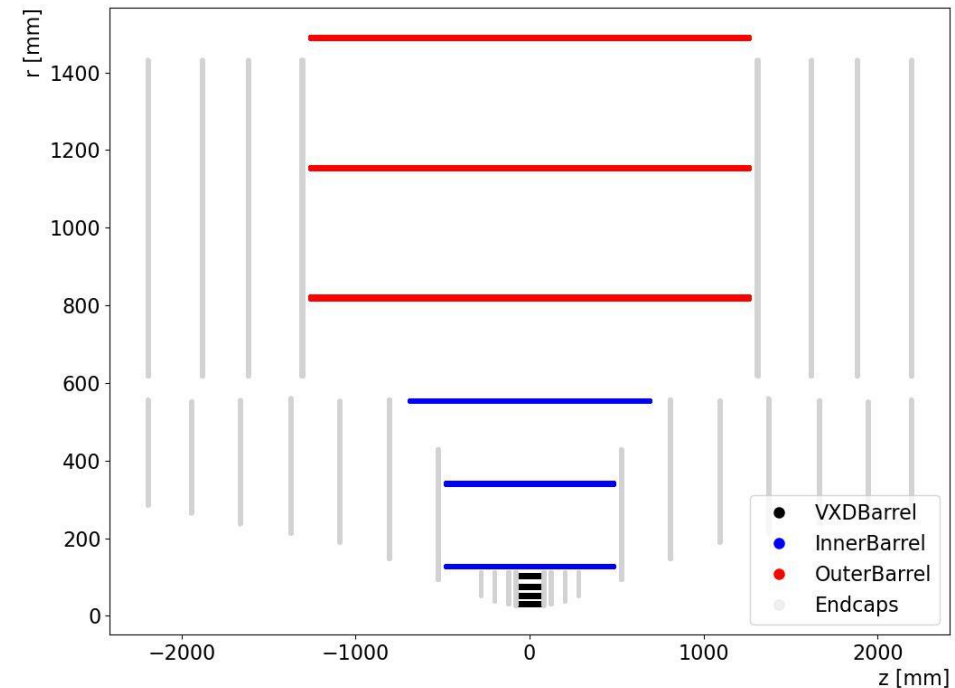
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# Tracking at Muon Collider

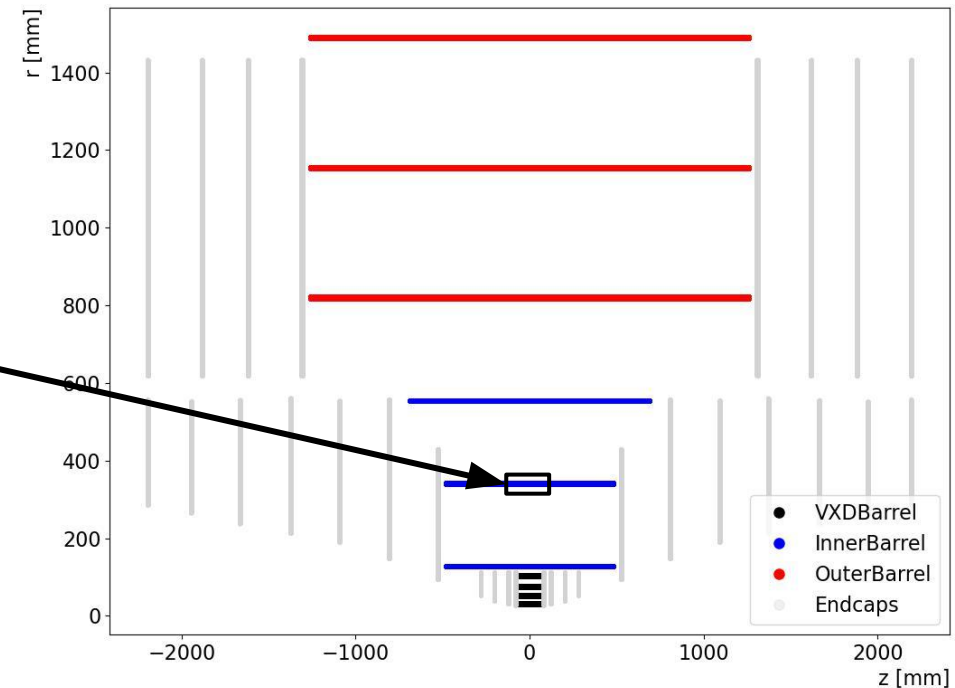
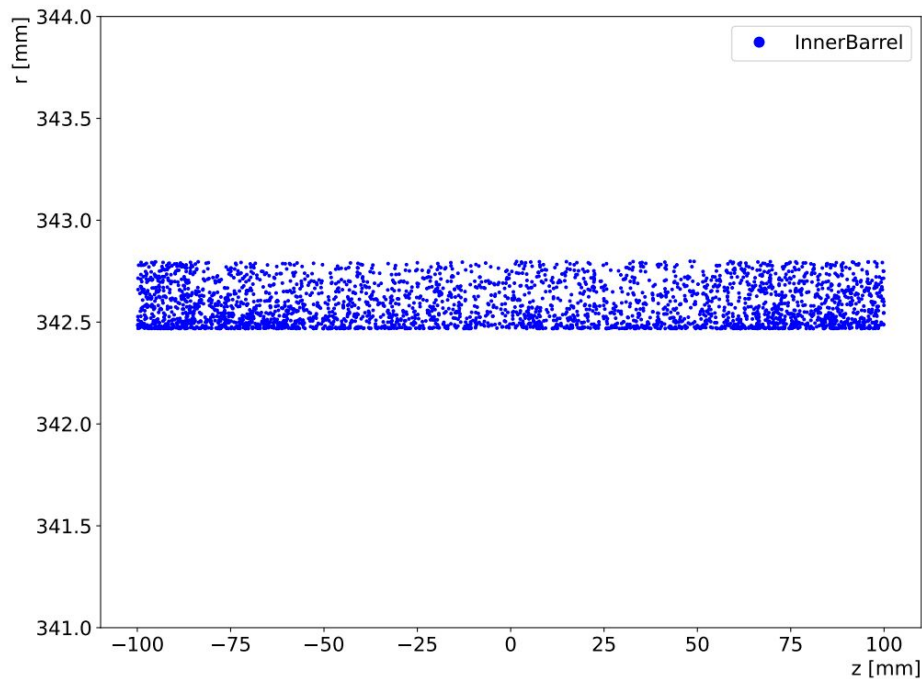
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- VXD Tracker:  $\sigma_t = 30\text{ps}$ , Inner/Outer Tracker:  $\sigma_t = 60\text{ps}$



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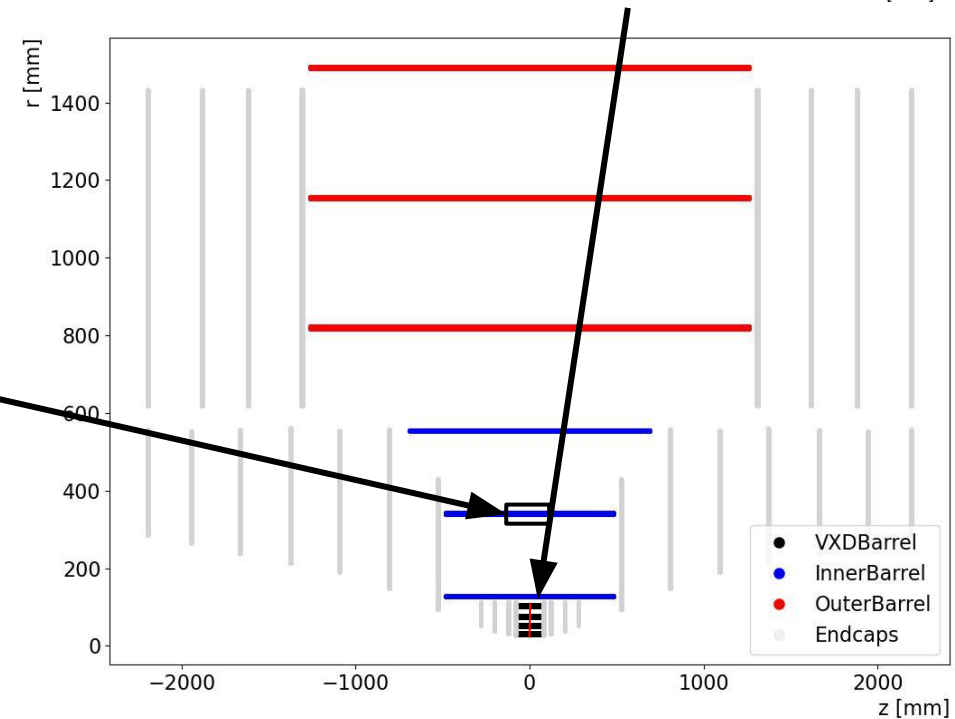
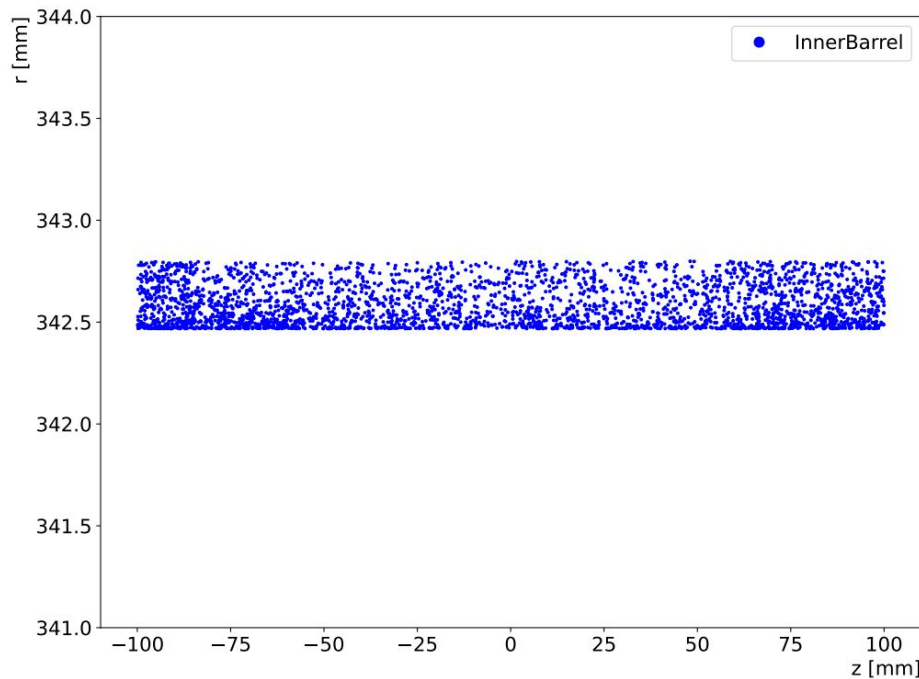
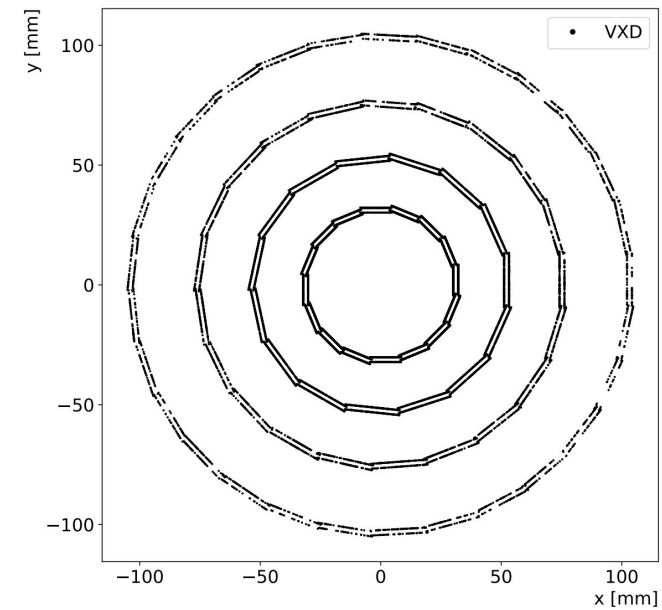
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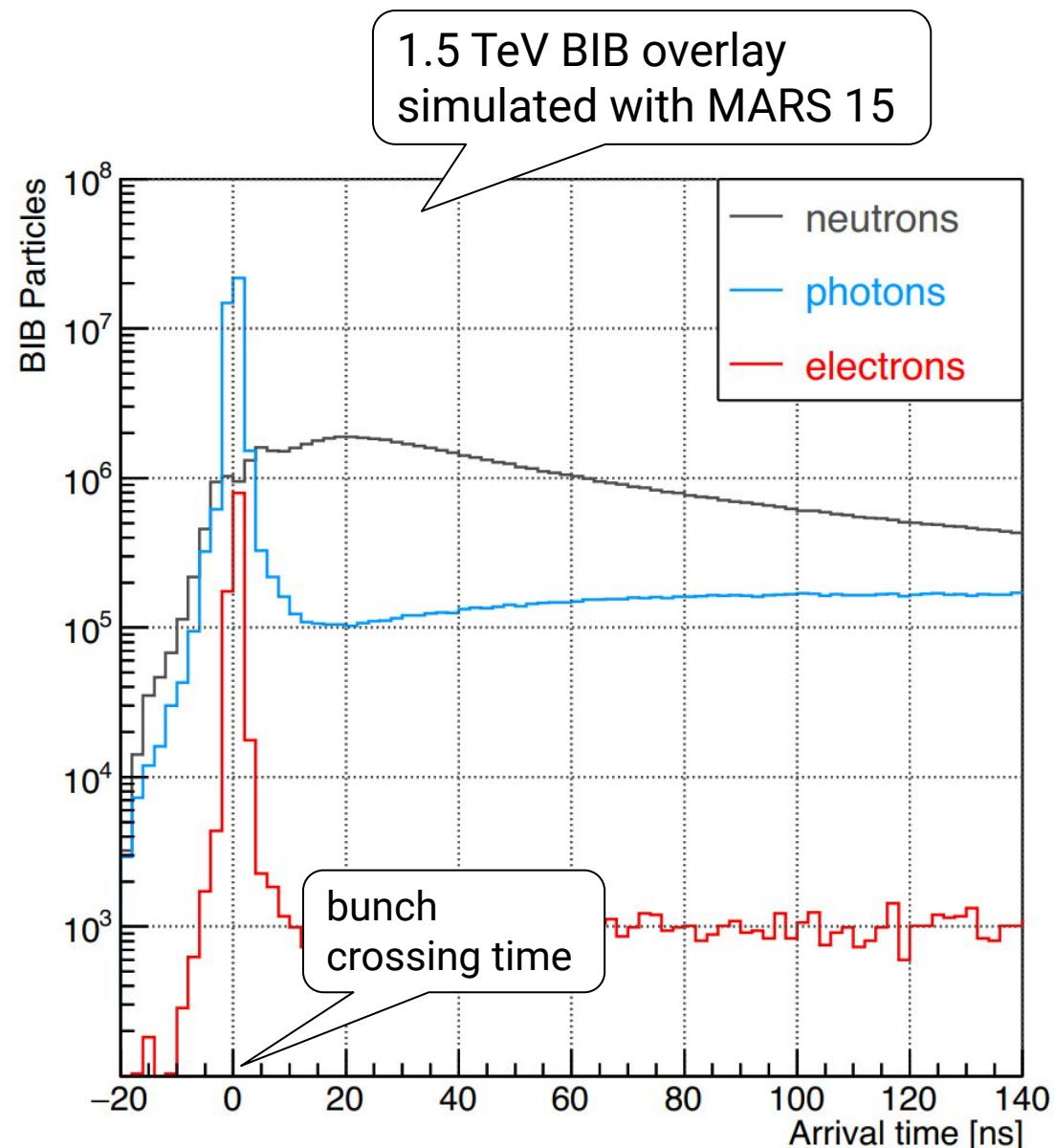
# Tracking at Muon Collider

Beam muon decays induce secondary particle showers that reach the detector (**B**eam-**I**nduced-**B**ackground)

Time information as a crucial component to suppress BIB particles

**4D tracking with a quantum algorithm:**

Time information is directly used for calculating the QUBO parameters



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# 4D QUBO

$$\hat{H} = \sum_i^N \sum_{j<i} b_{ij} T_i T_j$$

quality values  
a<sub>i</sub> are set to 0

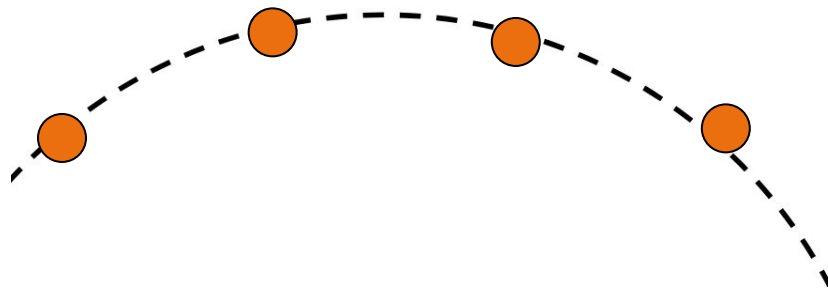
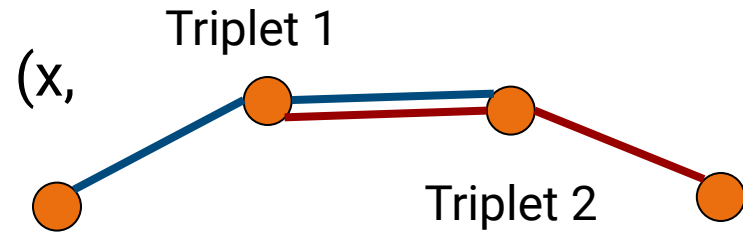
## Interaction $b_{ij}$ :

- Curvature of triplets
- Scattering, alignment of hits in the r-z plane
- Time compatibility of hits of the interacting triplets

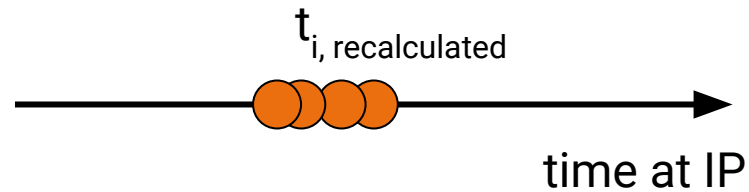
→ **4D modeling of triplet interactions**

# Time component of $b_{ij}$

data from detector:  
(x, y, z,  $t_{\text{raw}}$ )

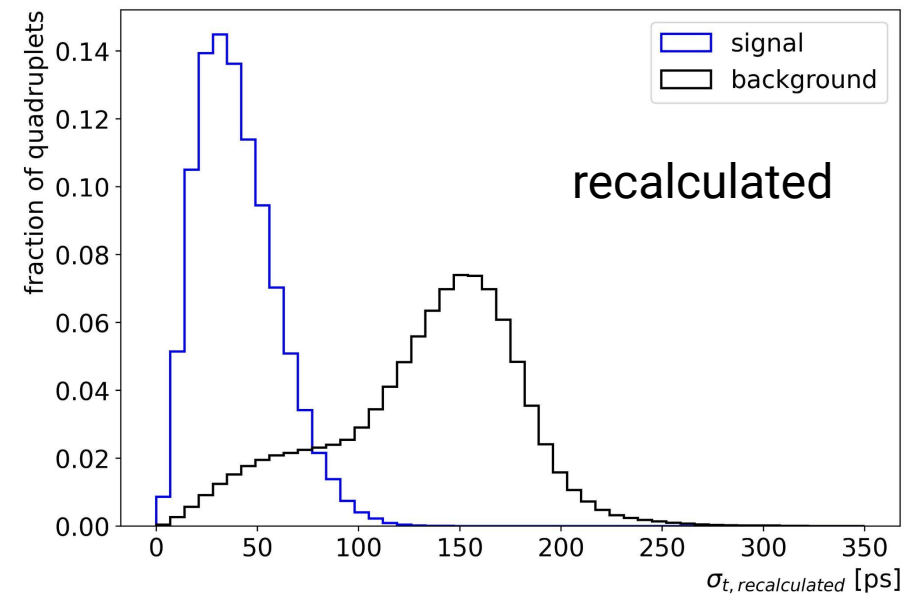
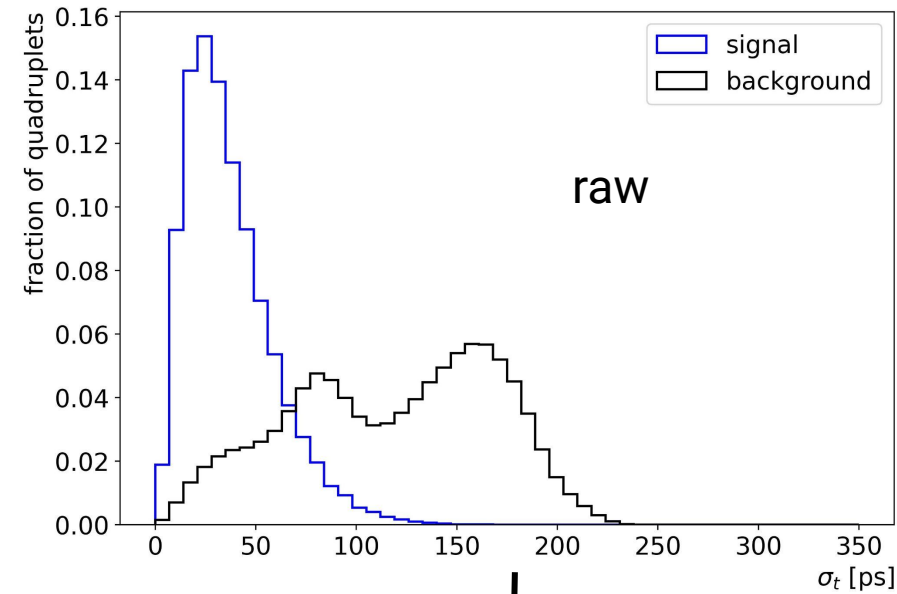


$p_T$  / curvature



$$t_{\text{recalculated}} = t_{\text{raw}} - \text{tof}_{\text{curvature}}$$

$$\sigma(t_{\text{recalculated}}) = \text{“time spread of hits”}$$

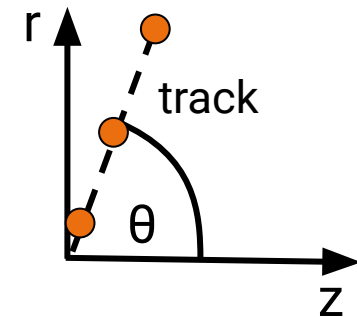
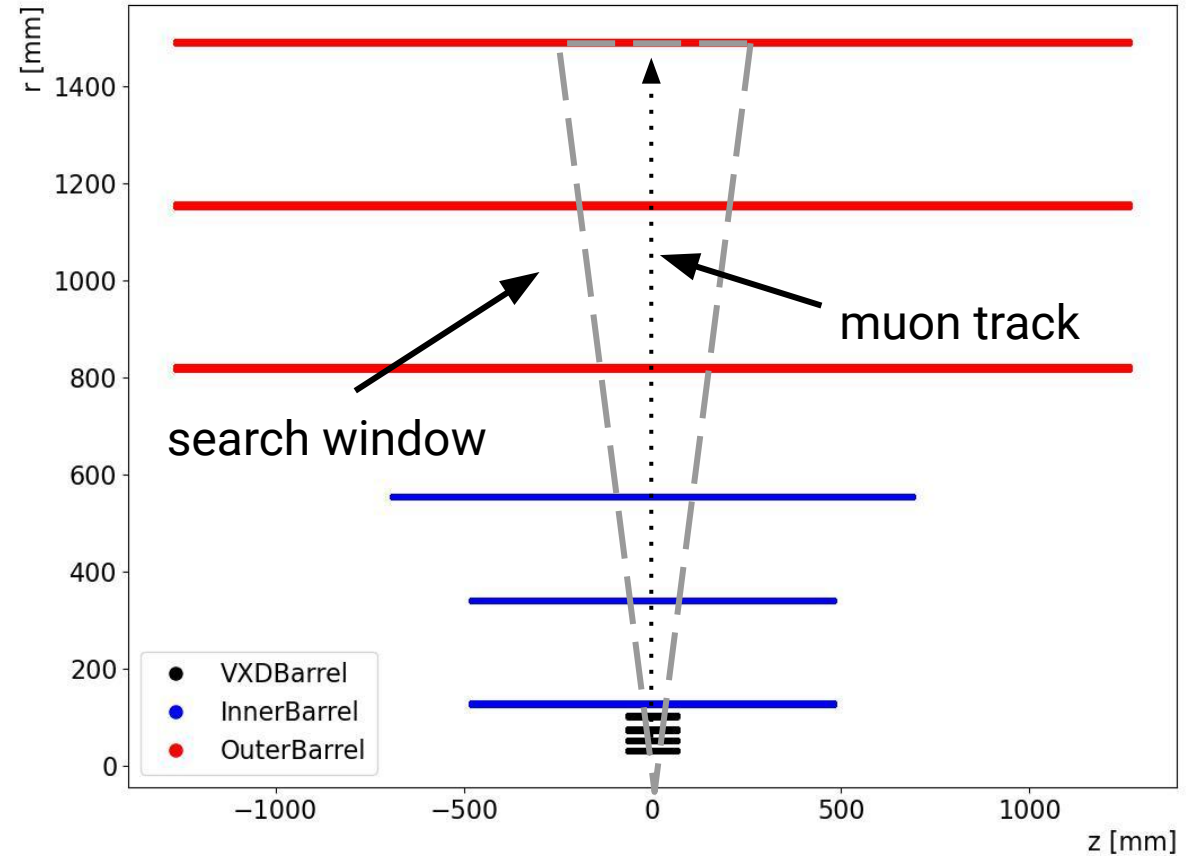


# Reconstruct a single muon track within a large BIB

## Setup

- Single muon events overlaid with BIB
- $0.5 \text{ GeV} < p_T < 5.0 \text{ GeV}$
- $\theta = 90^\circ$
- Only hits in a small volume around track are considered

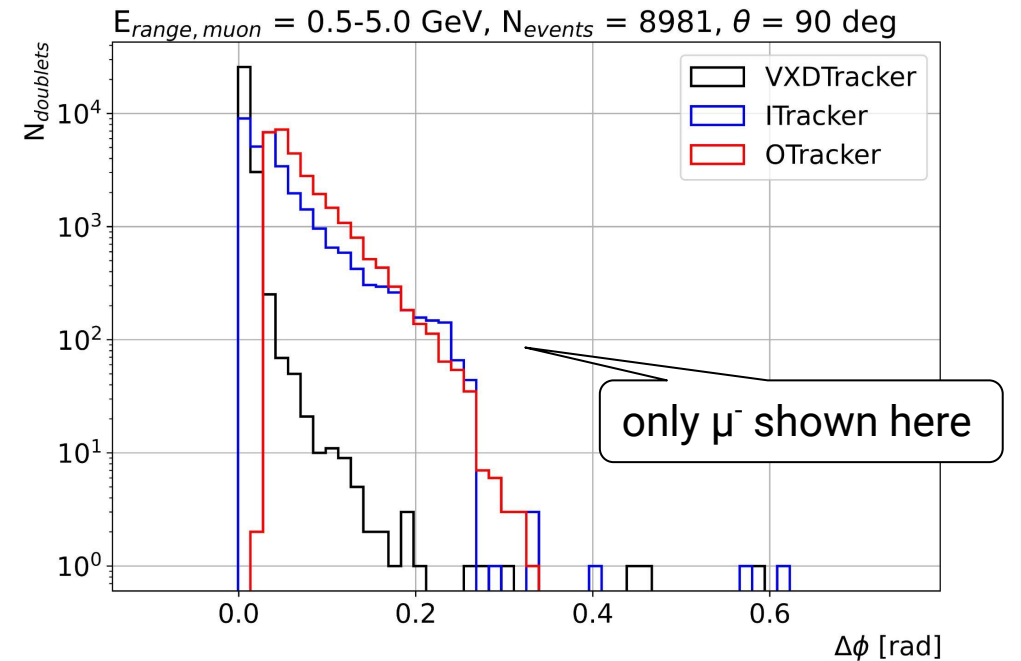
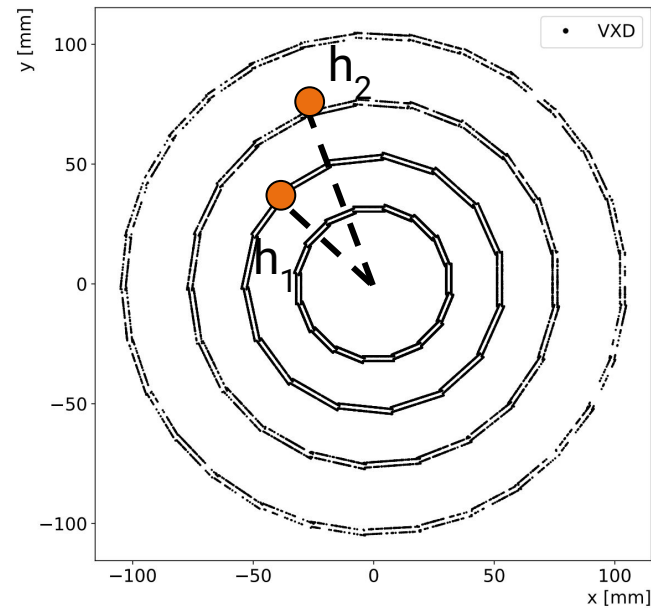
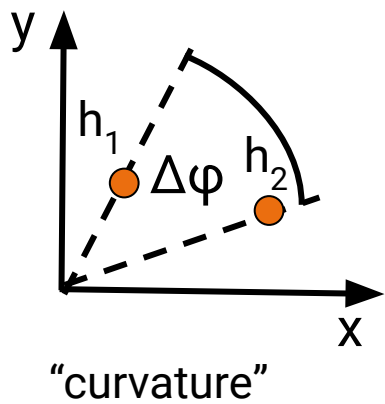
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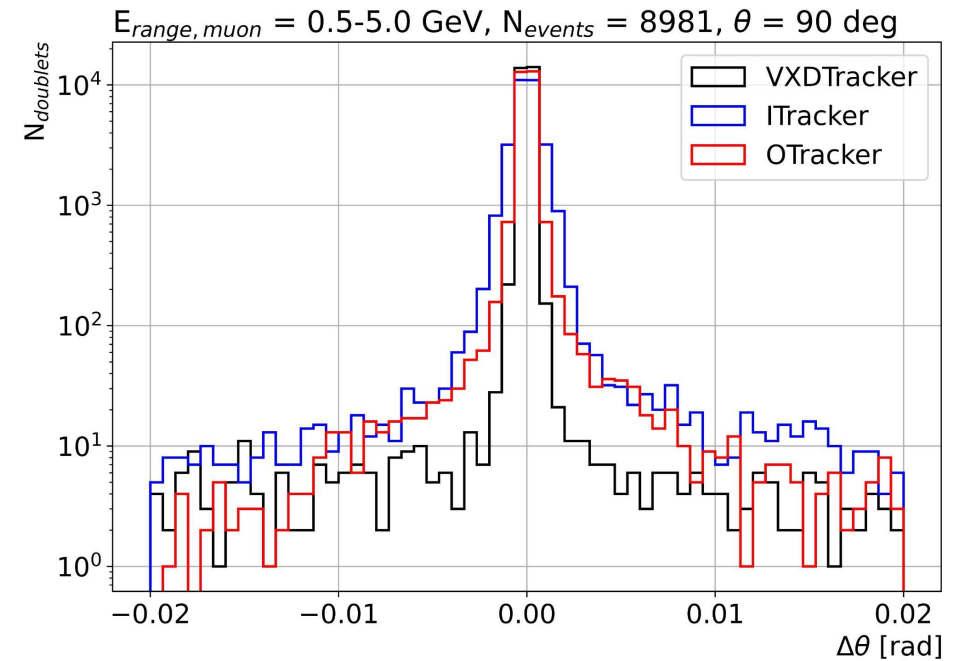
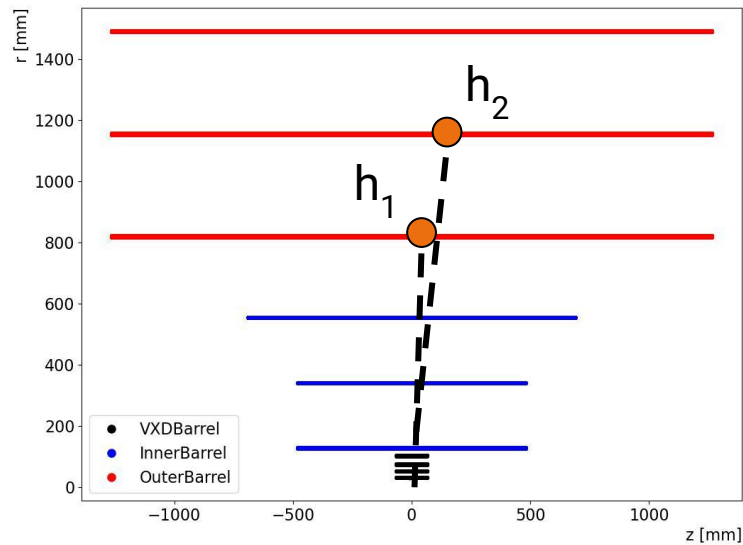
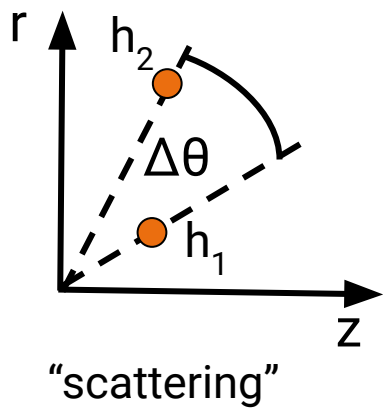
$$h_1: (x_1, y_1, z_1) \quad \Delta\varphi = \varphi(h_2) - \varphi(h_1)$$
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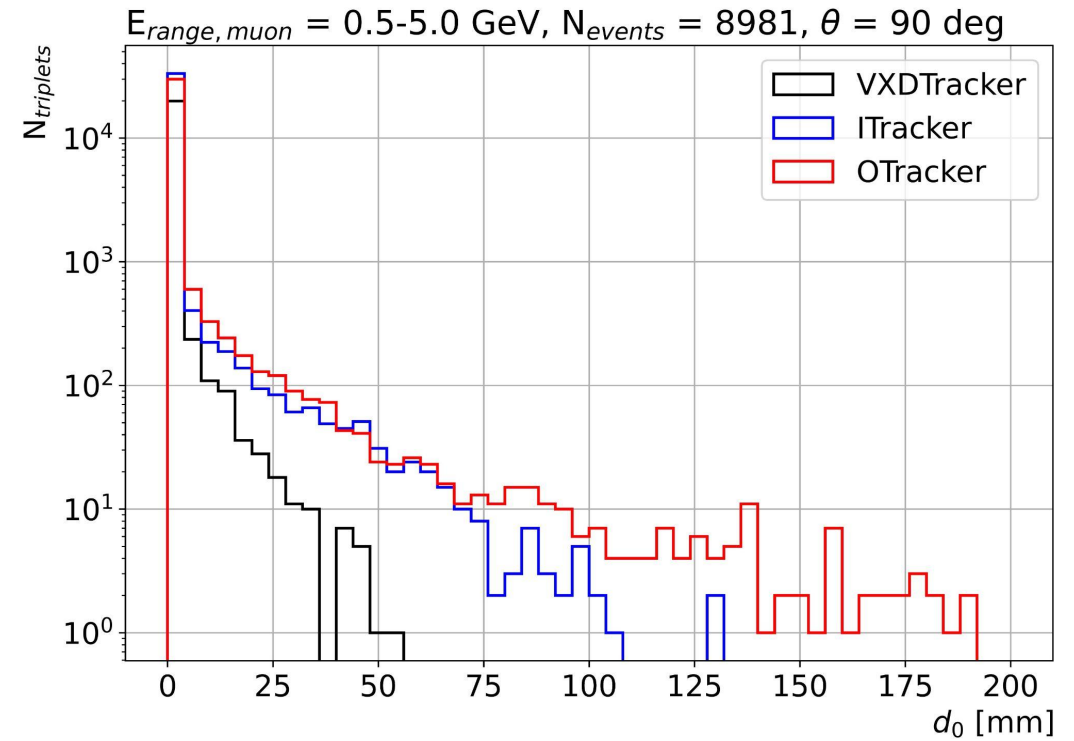
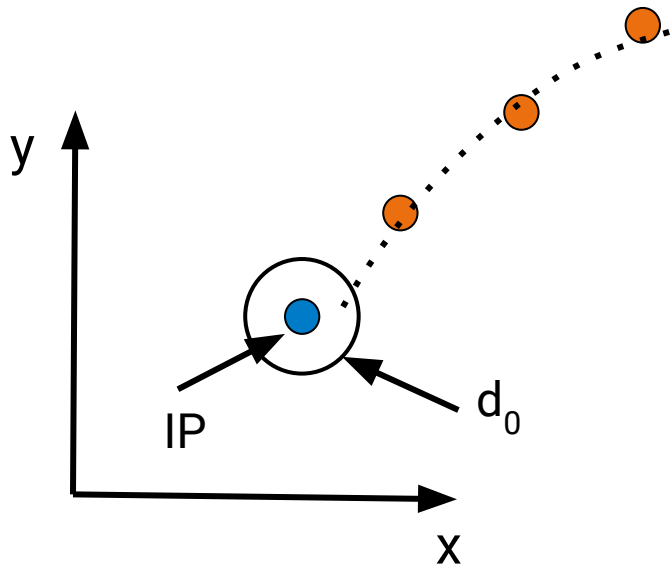
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- **Triplets:** transverse impact parameter  $d_0$



# Results

## Optimisation

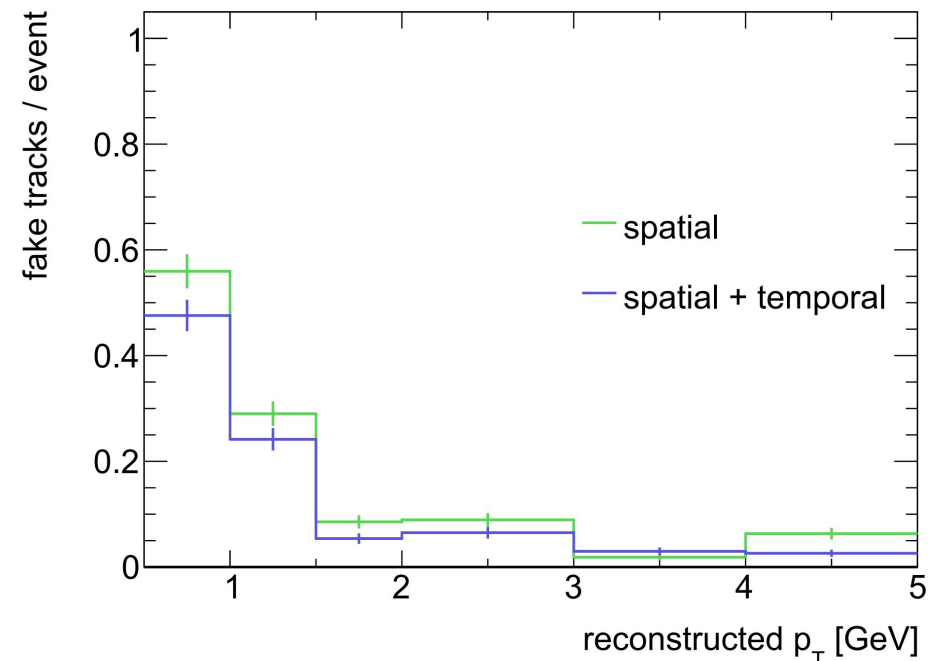
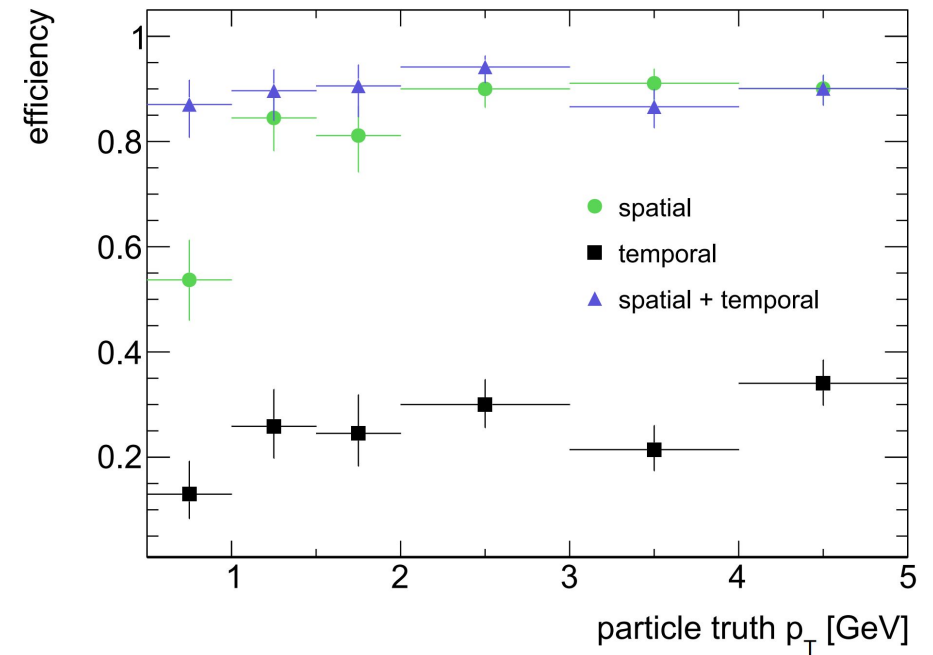
- Matrix diagonalisation, sub-QUBO size =18

## Criteria

- Track selected if  $\geq 6$  hits
- Matched if majority of hits stem from signal, else fake

## Fake rate

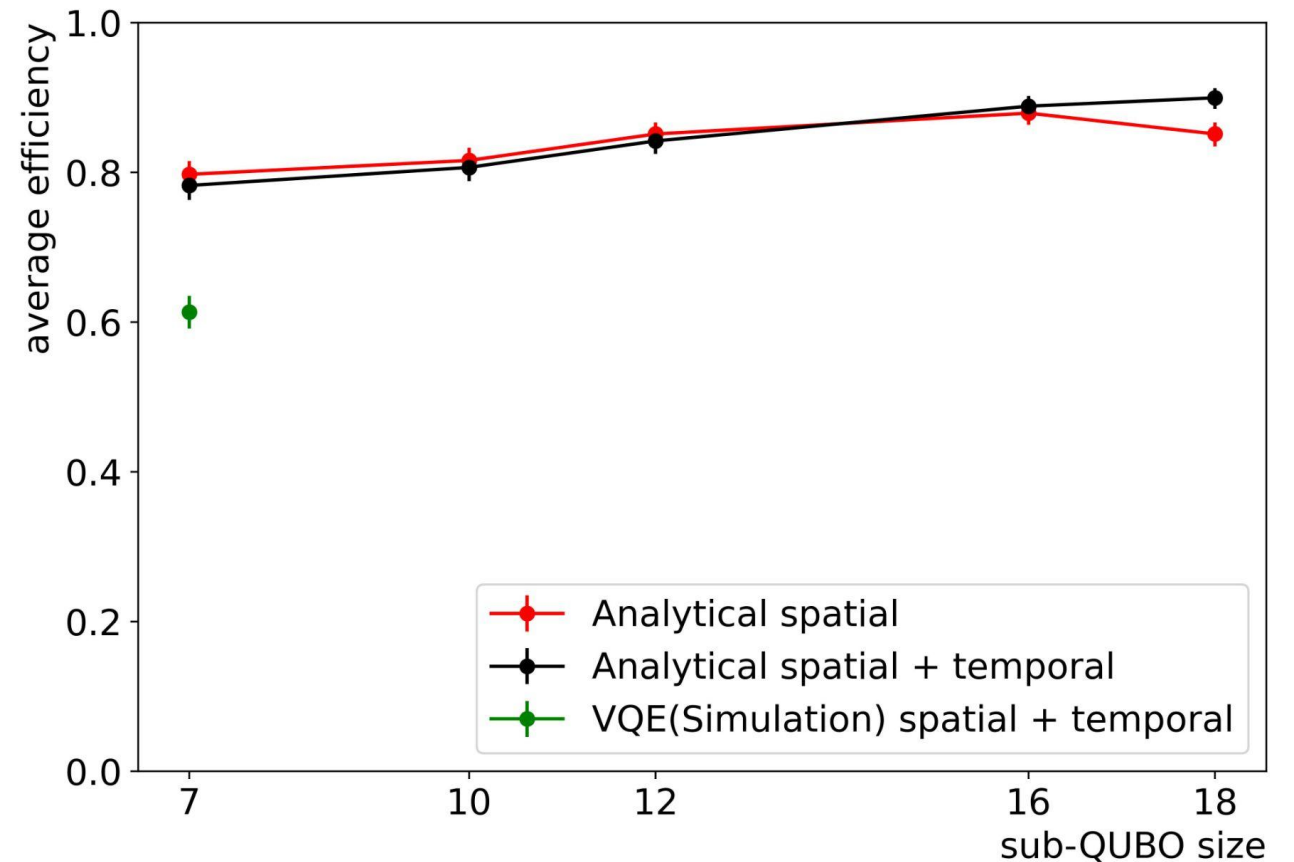
- Fake tracks in search window
- $O(1)$  fake track per event





# Results

- Increasing the sub-QUBO size leads to a higher efficiency
- VQE requires optimisation to match the matrix diagonalisation (analytical) result



# Summary

- A 4D quantum tracking approach using a QUBO formulation was presented  
→ QUBO parameters consist of a combination of spatial and temporal information of the detector hits
- Adding time information to the QUBO parameters  $b_{ij}$  improves the track reconstruction efficiency, especially at low  $p_T$
- Example test application shown for a future high-energy muon collider

**Thank You!**

# Appendix: QUBO parameter settings

## Trivial

- -1 if connection possible

compatible curvature:  $c=1$   
contrary curvature:  $c=2$

## Spatial

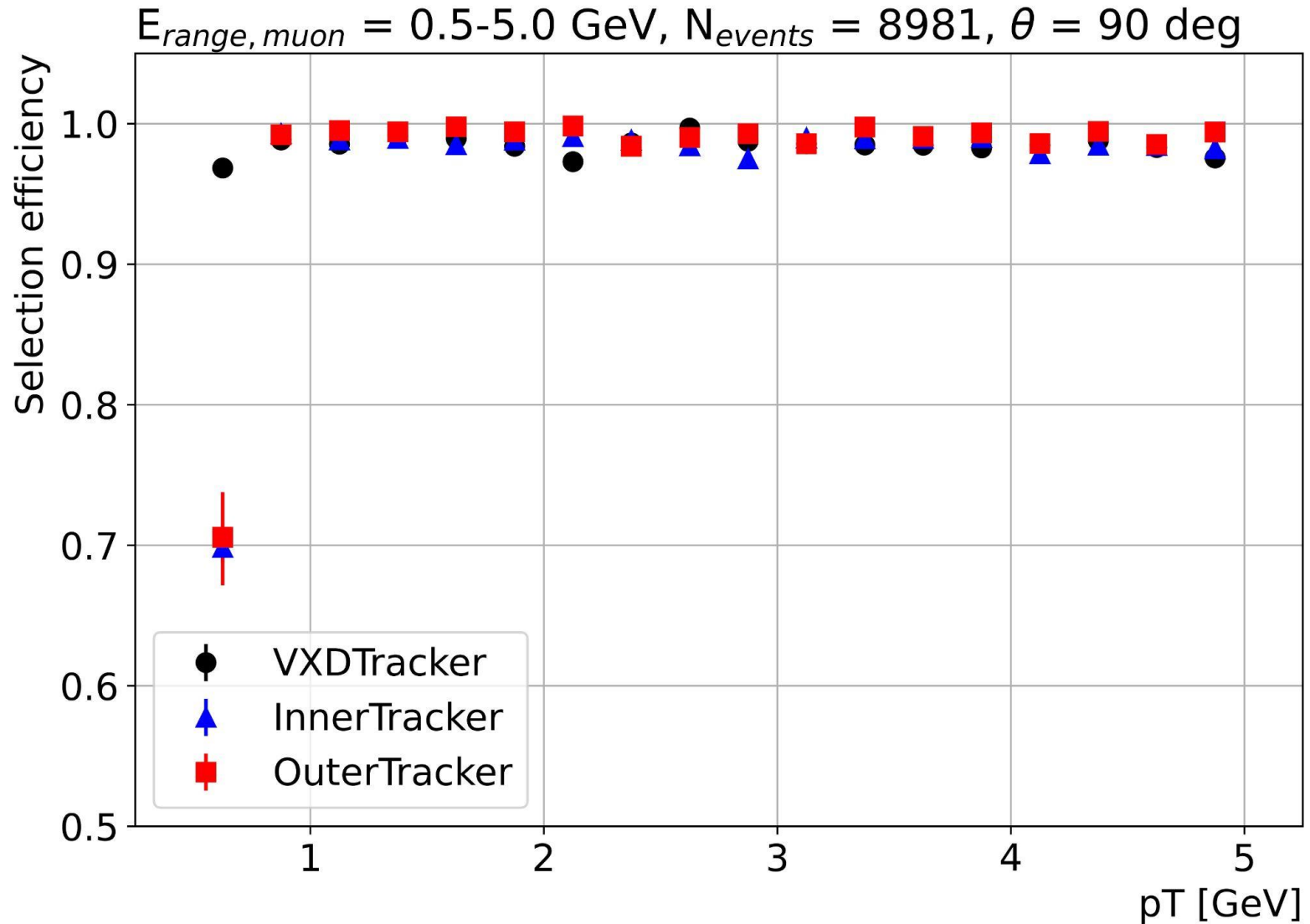
- $f(q/p_T) : 0.5 \cdot (c - \min([pT_{\text{triplet } 1} \ pT_{\text{triplet } 2}]) / \max([pT_{\text{triplet } 1} \ pT_{\text{triplet } 2}])) \rightarrow [0, 1]$
- $\max(\Delta\theta / 0.01) \rightarrow [0, 1]$
- average of both is spatial value

## Temporal

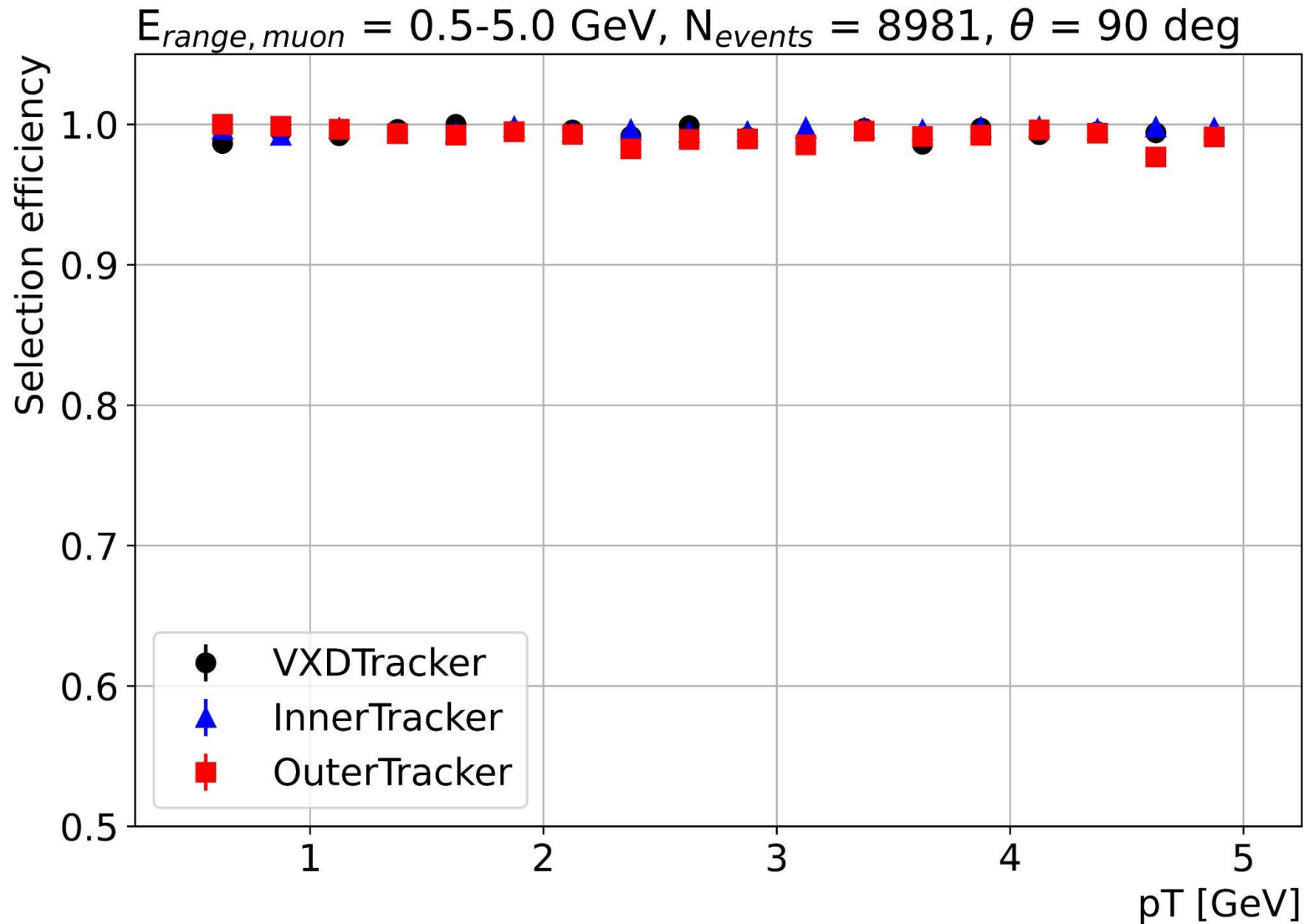
- $\min(\sigma(t_{\text{hits}}) / 250 \text{ [ps]}, 1) \rightarrow [0, 1]$

Connections are rescaled  
to be inside  $[-1.0, -0.9]$

# Appendix: Signal only - doublet pre-selection



# Appendix: Signal only - triplet pre-selection



# Appendix: Preselection values

VXD:  $\Delta\varphi = 0.05$        $\Delta\theta = 0.01$        $d_0 = 15\text{mm}$

ITracker:  $\Delta\varphi = 0.2$        $\Delta\theta = 0.01$        $d_0 = 50\text{mm}$

OTracker:  $\Delta\varphi = 0.25$        $\Delta\theta = 0.005$        $d_0 = 50\text{mm}$

# Appendix: Triplet statistics

$$N_{\text{events}} = 538,$$

$$N_{\text{triplets}} = 15087781 \rightarrow 28044 / \text{event}$$

$$N_{\text{triplets, signal}} = 5048 \rightarrow 9 / \text{event}$$

$$N_{\text{triplets, majority signal}} = 40137 \rightarrow 75 / \text{event}$$

$$N_{\text{triplets, majority background}} = 278561 \rightarrow 518 / \text{event}$$

$$N_{\text{background}} = 14764025 \rightarrow 27442 / \text{event}$$