

# TPC Detector Response Simulation and Track Reconstruction

Physics goals at the Linear Collider drive the performance goals for charged particle tracks :

**reconstruction resolution:**  $\delta(1/p) = \sim 4 \times 10^{-5} / \text{GeV}$

**reconstruction efficiency:** 100% within jets for energy flow measurements

Simple simulations, which represent the detector response as smeared space points, show that the track **reconstruction resolution** goal can be achieved with the NA “Large Detector”.

For example:

TPC:

2.0 m O.R., 0.5 m I.R., 150  $\mu\text{m}$  spatial res.

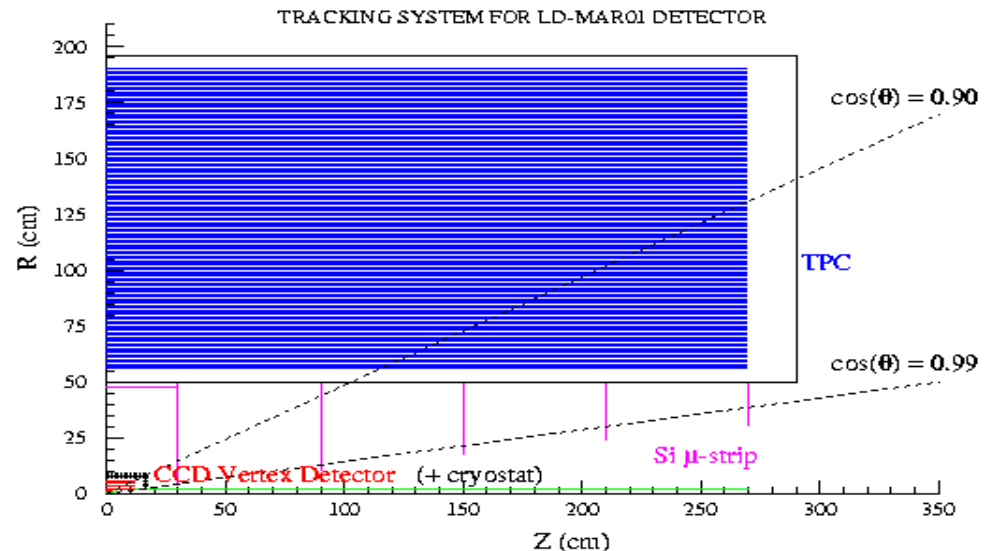
Vertex Detector:

5 layer, 10  $\mu\text{m}$  spatial resolution

Intermediate Tracking Device:

2 layer,  $r = 0.45$  m, 10  $\mu\text{m}$  spatial res.

$\rightarrow \delta(1/p) = 4.2 \times 10^{-5} / \text{GeV}$



## Reconstruction Efficiency

**Reconstruction efficiency** cannot be easily estimated in the event environment of the Linear Collider, it is dependent on the **non-Gaussian smearing effects: noise and track overlap**.

While **reconstruction efficiency** is difficult to estimate,

one could achieve the **maximum efficiency** using the **maximum segmentation** possible with a GEM or MicroMegas amplification TPC.

However, the channel count would be excessive (and expensive). For example....

(North American) [ 2 x 11.8 m<sup>2</sup> instrumented area ] / [ 0.2 cm<sup>2</sup> / channel ] → 1.2 x 10<sup>6</sup> multi-hit channels  
(Tesla) [ 2 x 7.9 m<sup>2</sup> instrumented area ] / [ 0.12 cm<sup>2</sup> / channel ] → 1.3 x 10<sup>6</sup> multi-hit channels

*A TPC design can be simpler if it is established that larger pads are sufficient to provide the “full” efficiency of the smaller pad while still meeting the resolution goal.*

## Goals

The goal of this work is to measure the **reconstruction efficiency** and thereby

*optimize the design for a TPC in the “Large Detector” design,*

for complicated events simulating Linear Collider processes,

incorporating as many real detector effects as possible

( pad size,  
charge spreading,  
inefficient pads,  
noise, and  
track overlap )

and using pattern recognition that starts with pad level information ( not space points) .

A further goal is to use the measured reconstruction efficiency as a

*basis for comparing*

a full detector design incorporating a large TPC for tracking

with

a full detector design using a silicon based tracking system.

## Complicated event simulating a Linear Collider Process

A sample event,  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow ZH$ , from LCD simulation illustrates the level of overlapping tracks.

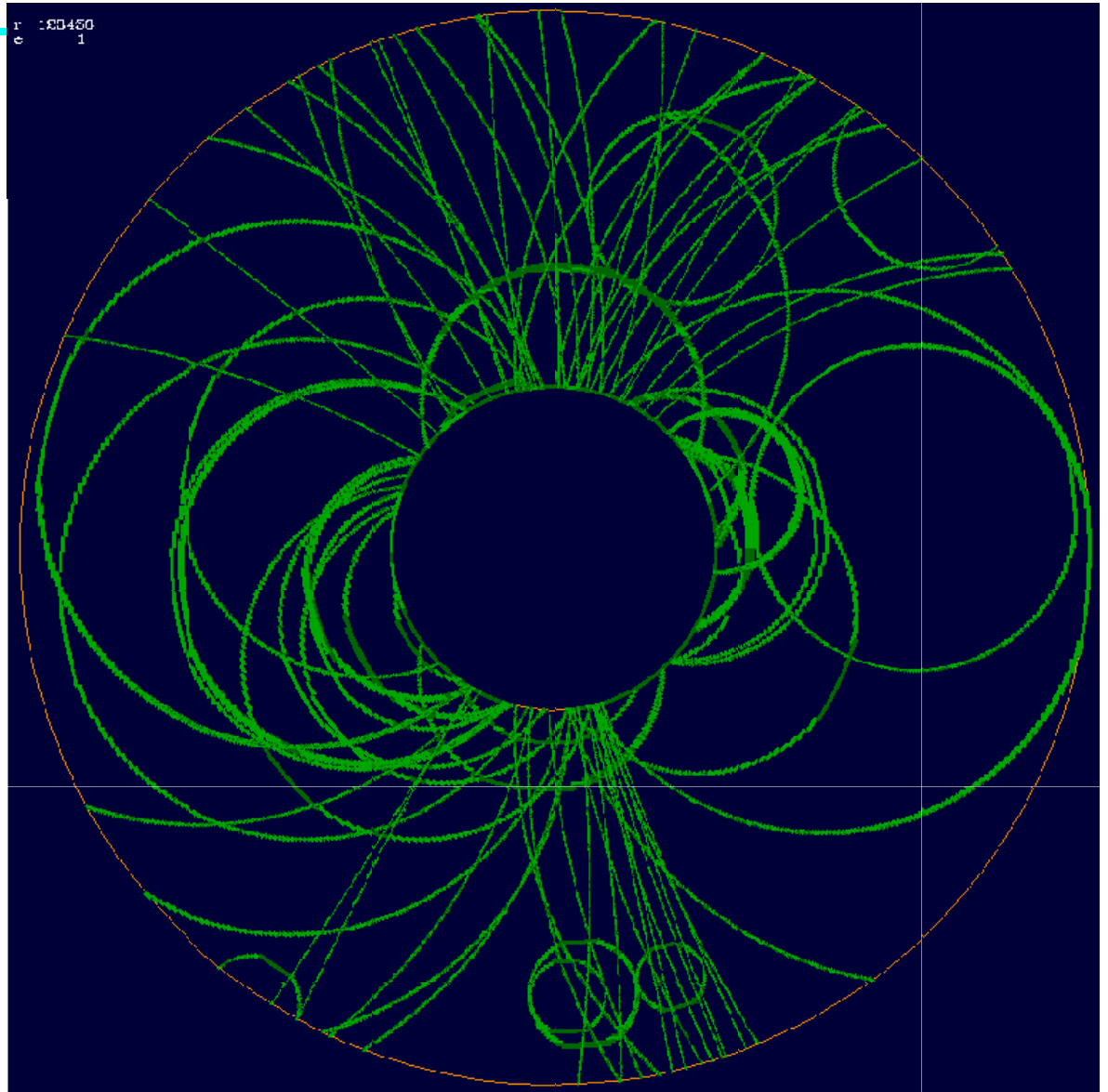
(All hits are projected onto one endplate.)

143 layers from 56cm to 200 cm

**2 mm wide pads**, 1cm radial “height”  
(number of pads in layer is multiple of 8)

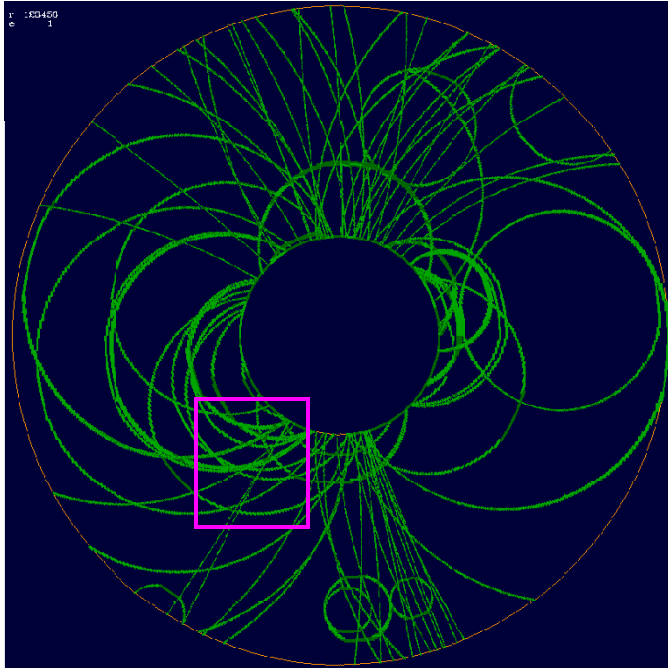
**charge spread is minimal**  
**no noise**

While the overlap can be reduced by taking advantage of z separation, it is not clear from this simple picture if the separation would be sufficient.



## Remaining track overlap when taking advantage of Z separation

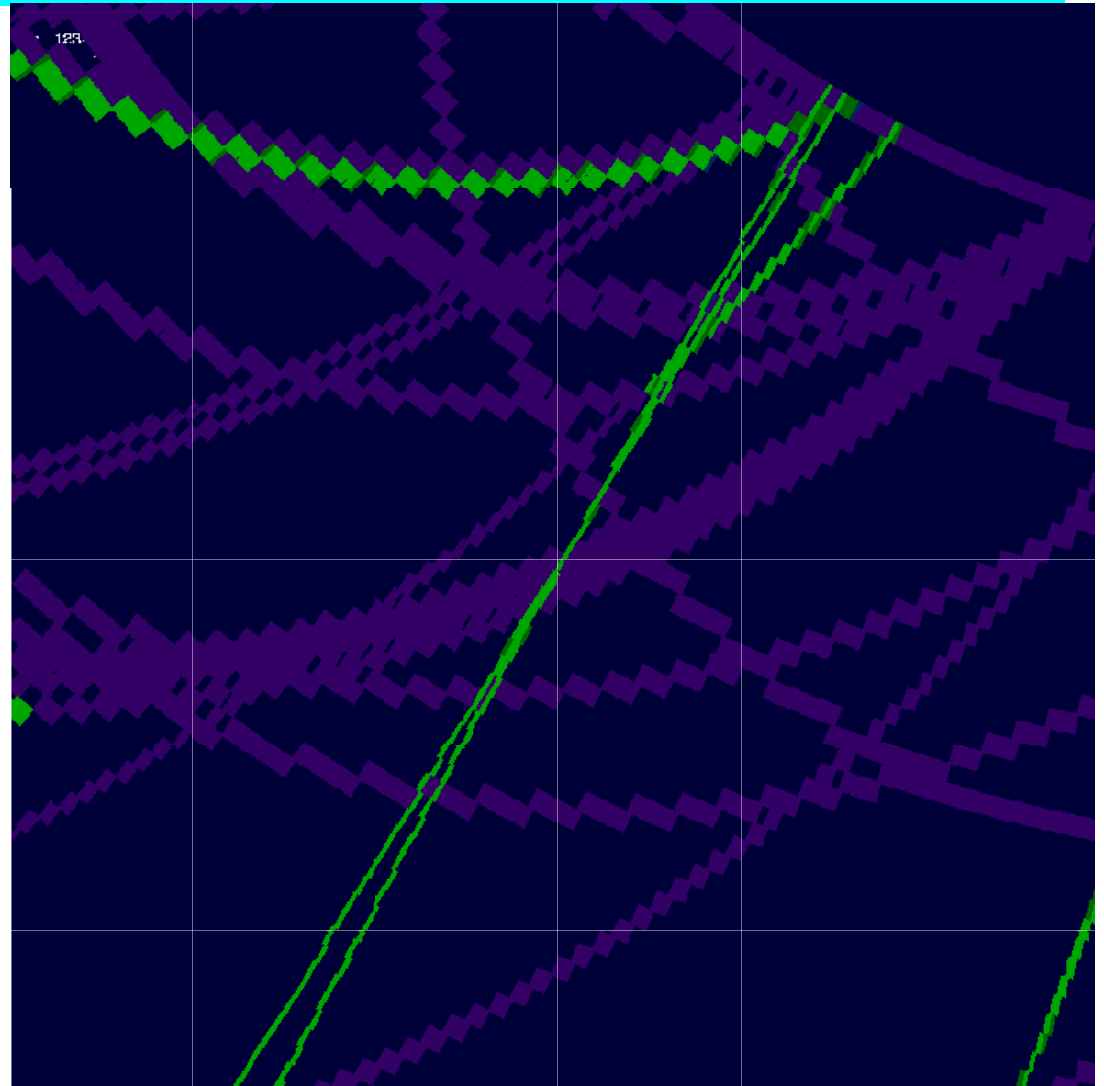
(Same event, same pad response )



The z separation is often too small to provide track separation.

**crossing tracks** in r-f, and z-separation = **1 mm** .

But, track reconstruction can be efficient for very close tracks by using information from regions where the tracks are isolated. This is an advantage of the pat. rec. used in this study.



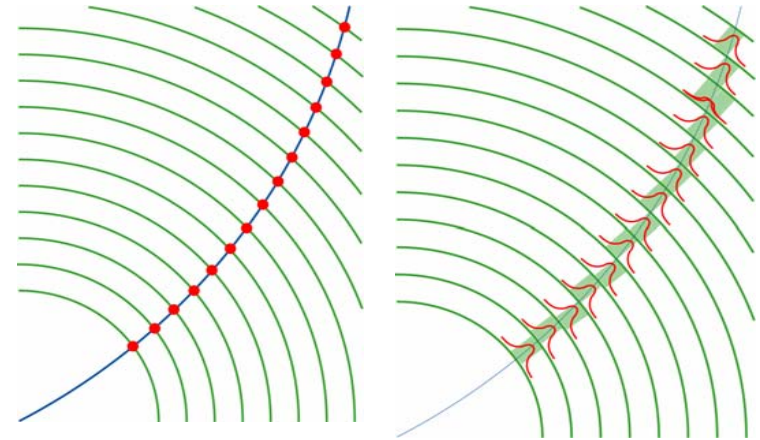
Active cone:  $Z = [ r * (-6 / 40) ] \pm 4.7 \text{ cm}$

# Detector Simulation: Pad Response

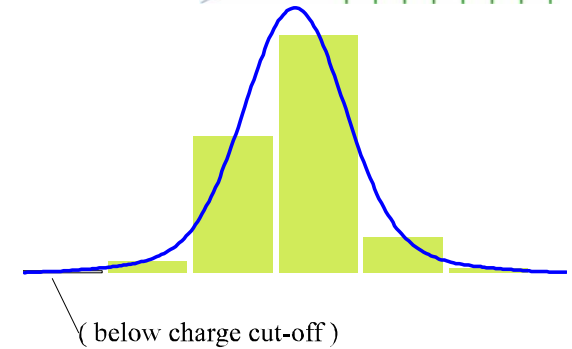
**The LCD simulation provides only crossing points; extensions to the simulation are created within the CLEO reconstruction program.**

144 crossing points are treated as entries & exits for 143 layers.  
143 layers are segmented into pads.

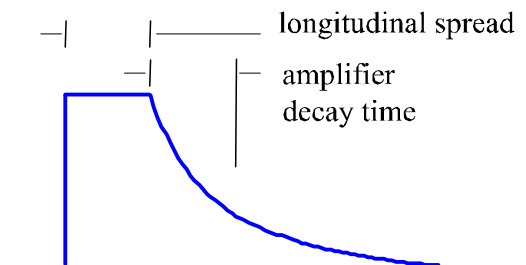
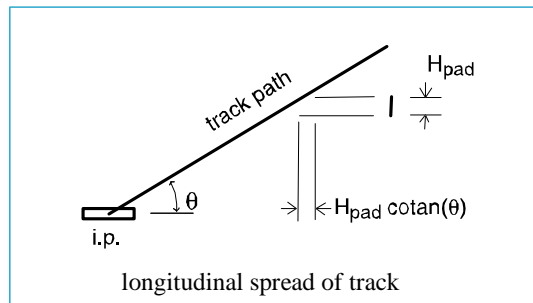
create hits, with time and pulse height,  
centered on the average position in the cell



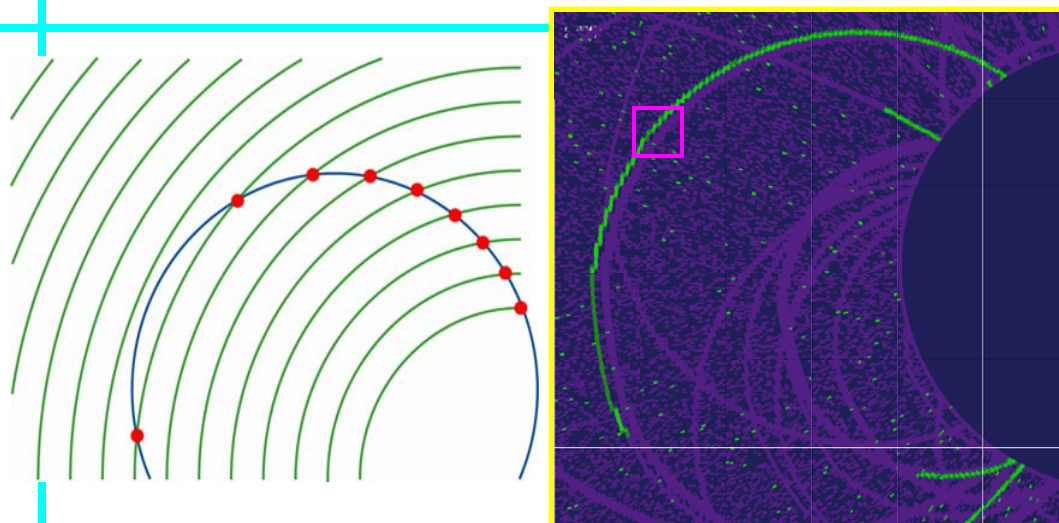
**Charge spreading** on the pads:  
**Gaussian width, cut-off** ( $\sim .002$  of min.ion.),  
maximum total-number-pads in the the distribution,  
charge is renormalized to provide a **total of min. ion.**



**Wave Form** to  
simulate time (= Z) response



## Ionization distribution for large entrance angle



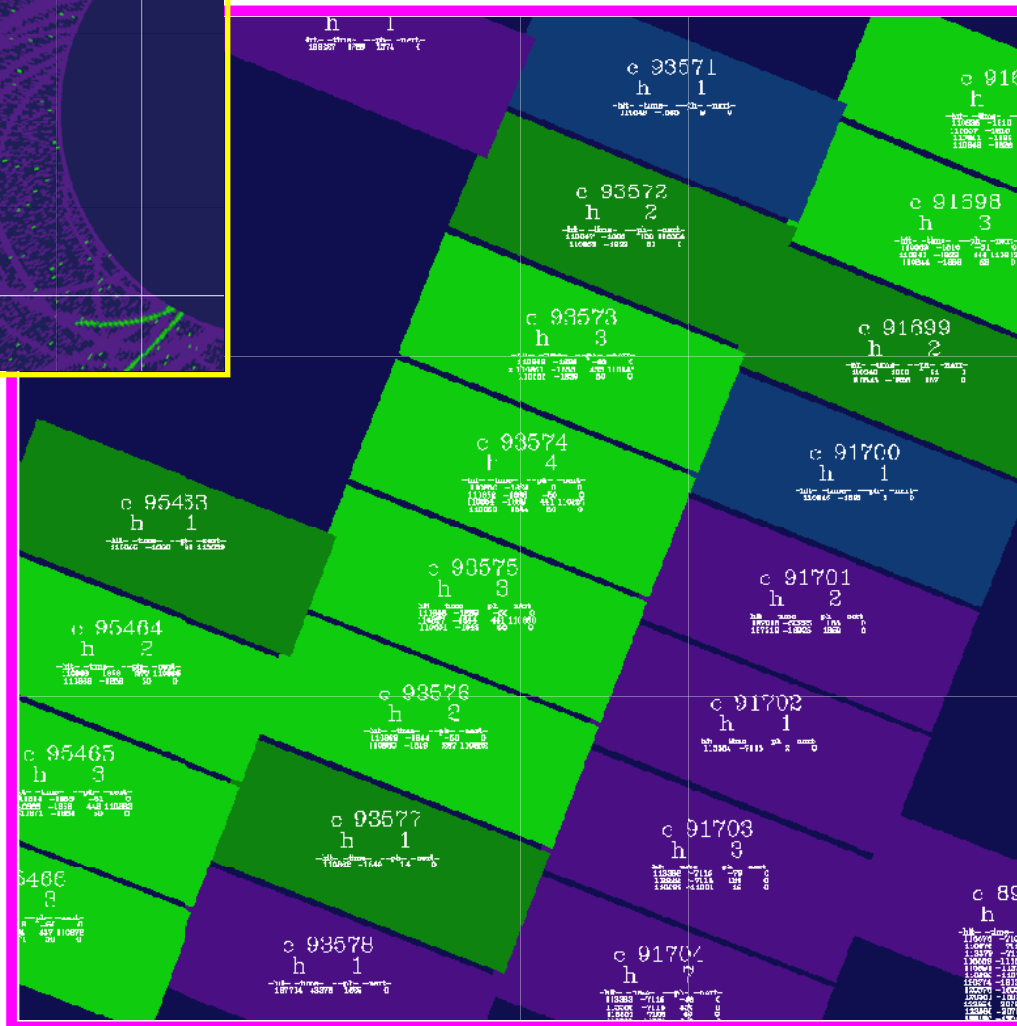
Cell width: 4mm

Active cone:  $Z = [r * (-3 / 40)] \pm 4.7 \text{ cm}$

With treating the cylinder crossings as layer entry and exit positions comes the ability to properly treat multiple cell crossings.

Ionization is deposited in the cells depending on the path length in each cell.

Also shown: The table of numbers on each cell provides information on the hits assigned to that cell.






# Detector Response: Merging Overlapping Hits and Time Pattern Recognition

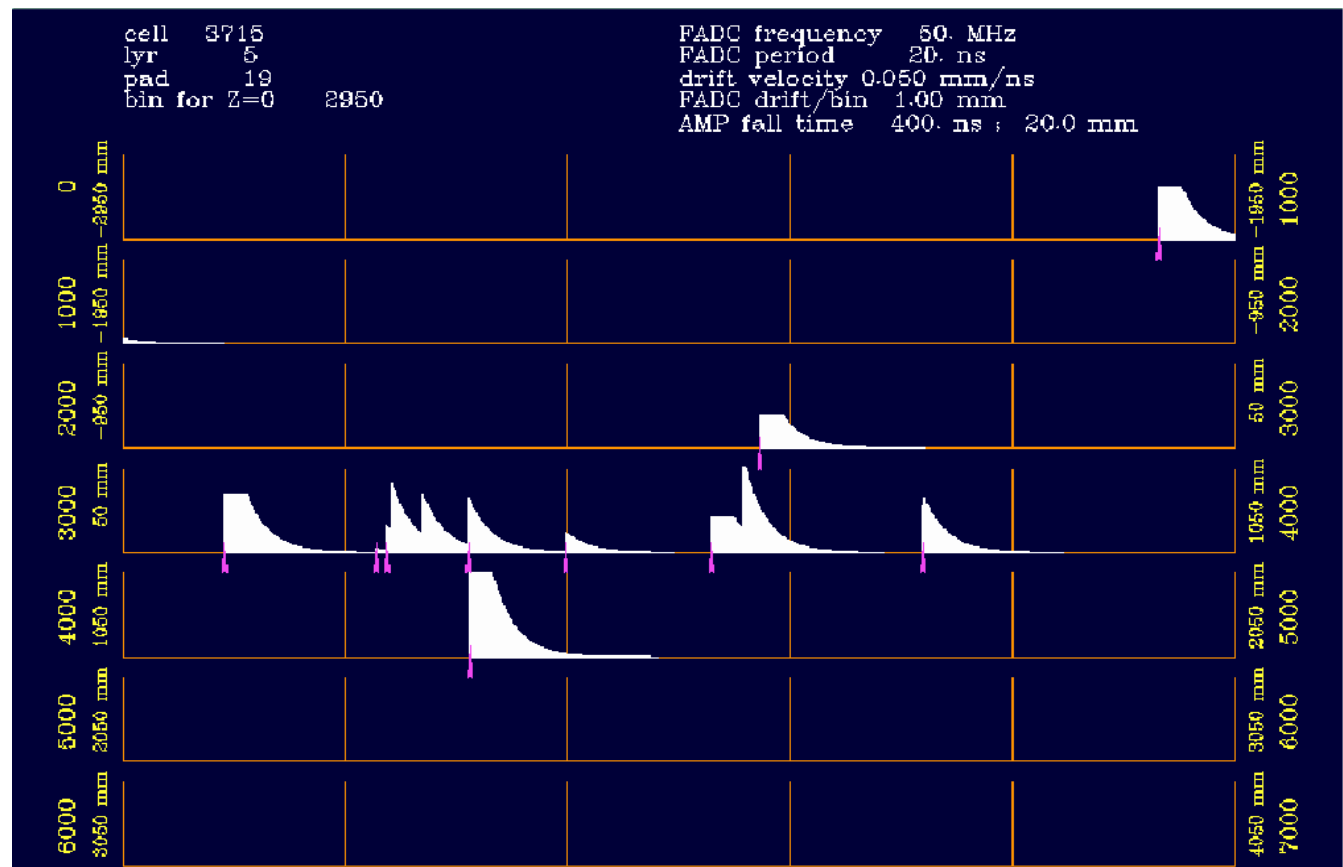
After signals are generated on pads as described in the previous 2 slides, pads may have overlapping signals that would be merged in the hardware readout.

Each signal, **including noise hits**, is described by a **pulse height, time, and duration** at max. pulse height.

This information is used to simulate a FADC response in which overlapping signals add.

The FADC response is then analyzed to determine the unambiguous threshold crossings indicated by (  ).

Threshold crossings found in this procedure replace the original pad signals.



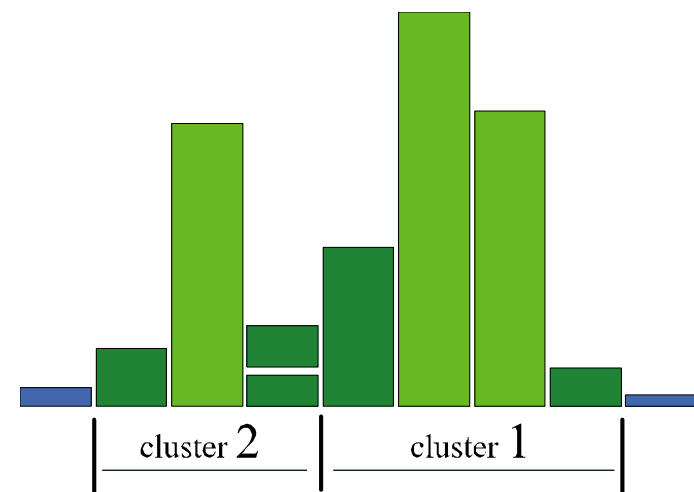


# Event reconstruction: Pad Clustering

Previous slides have described how the generator track crossing of ideal concentric cylinders are converted to FADC signals.

The FADC signals were then processed to recognize “unambiguous” threshold crossings – single pad hits.

Now these single pad hits are clustered to locate the significant centers of ionization that can be used by the pattern recognition.



## Clustering in $r-\phi$

A local maximum, above a threshold, defines a **central pad**.

**Adjacent** pads, above a lesser threshold are added to the cluster.

Difference in Z of adjacent pads is required to be less than a threshold.

Clusters are **Split** at local minima, less than a fraction of the lesser peak.

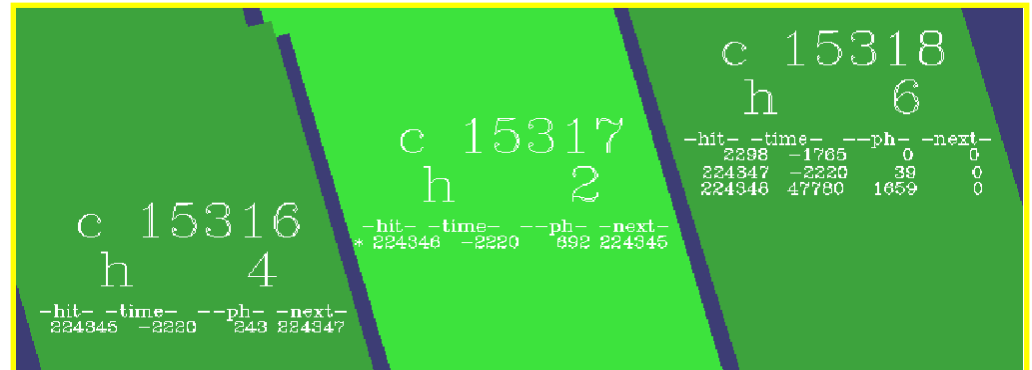
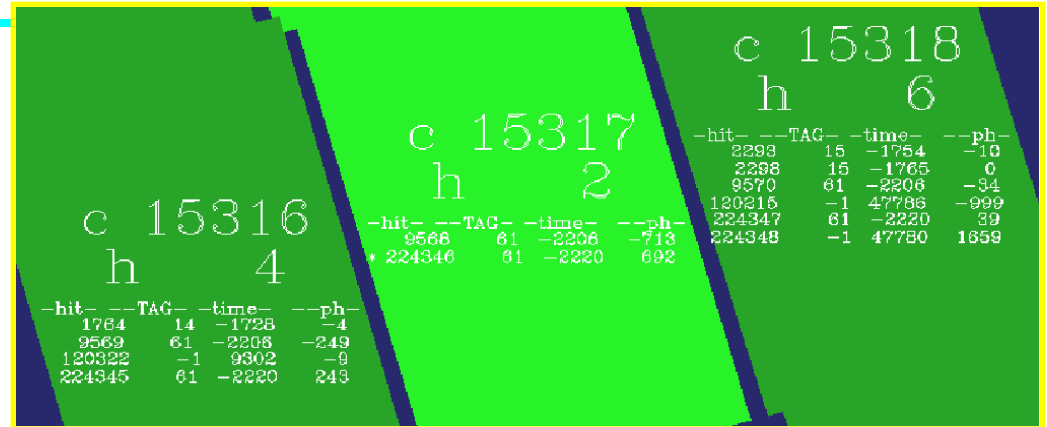
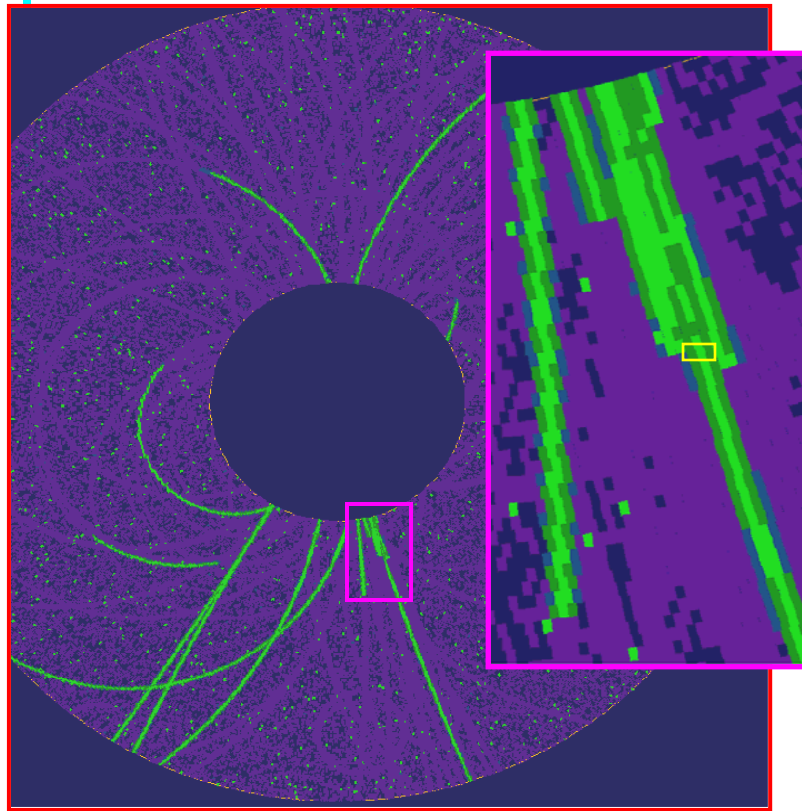
**Splitting** of overlapping cluster **is not precise**.

A pad, which may have contributions from 2 (or more) sources, is assigned to the larger neighbor as shown.

This may lead to non-gaussian smearing of the central position.

Pads with  $> 0.51$  of the maximum are treated as “core pads”.  
(a detail of the primary pattern recognition)

# Projected hits for event, after detector response simulation and clustering



Active cone:  $Z = [r * (-7 / 40)] \pm 4.7 \text{ cm}$

Active hits in green

Ignored hits in purple

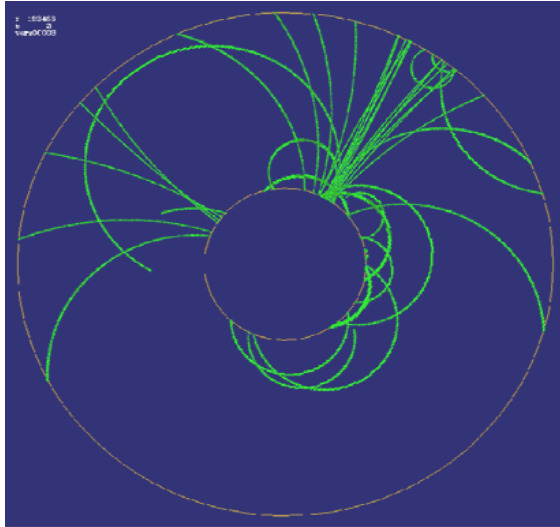
This is the information input to the pattern recognition.

The pad response includes merged hits with time and pulse height information.

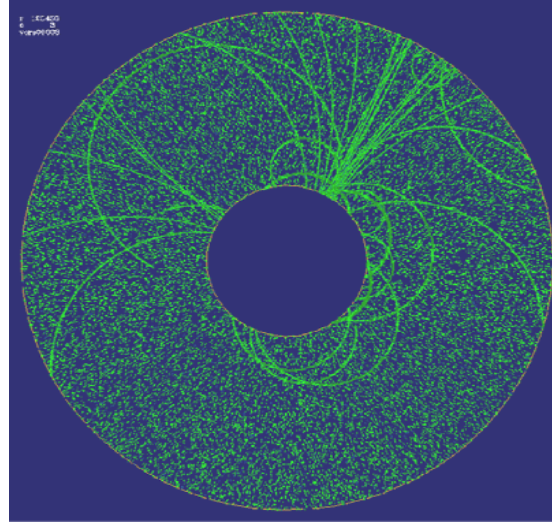
Simple, pre-merged, hits have been “hidden”.

Clustering has been completed for the initial pattern recognition.

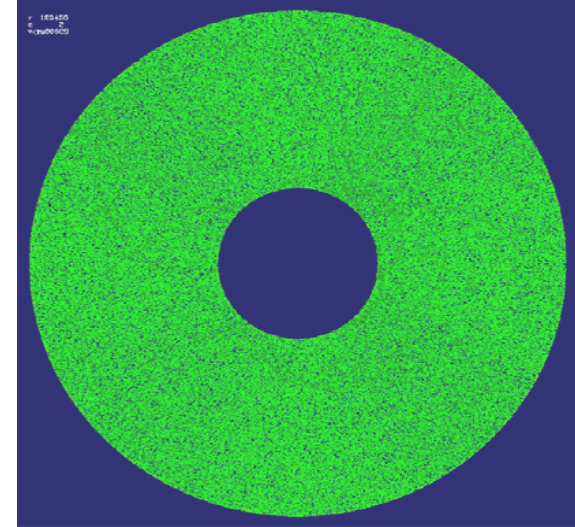
## Random Noise, details



2 mm cells, no noise



2 mm cells, 30 K noise hits



2 mm cells, 300 K noise hits

Noise is added on isolated pads, in random locations.

The time structure has a 2 cm/vel duration plus a tail with 2 cm/vel time constant.

The number of noise hits is constant; the volume fraction occupied by noise is pad size dependent.

occupied volume:  $(\# \text{ noise hits} / \# \text{ pads}) \times (\text{noise hit length } \{ 4 \text{ cm} \} / \text{chamber length})$

<i>pad size</i>	<i>occupancy with 300 K hits</i>	<i>affected signals</i> (signals spread over 3 cells)
2 mm	0.0046	0.014
4 mm	0.009	0.028
6 mm	0.014	0.042
10 mm	0.023	0.069

## Track Reconstruction

With a goal of accurately measuring the TPC pad size and spreading that will provide the “full” **reconstruction efficiency** in Linear Collider physics events, it becomes important to know what is being measured -

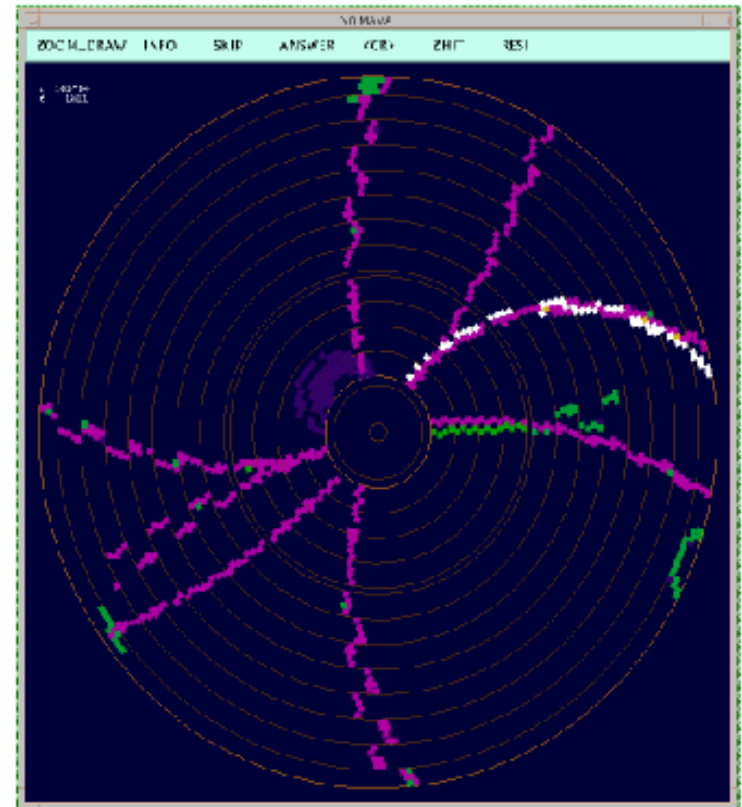
**inherent reconstruction efficiency, limited by the track overlap and hit distortion, or an efficiency that is limited by the algorithm.**

**This requires a means to independently determine the root cause of reconstruction failures.**

The CLEO reconstruction program is optimized to separate overlapping tracks. More importantly, it includes a diagnostics package that provides

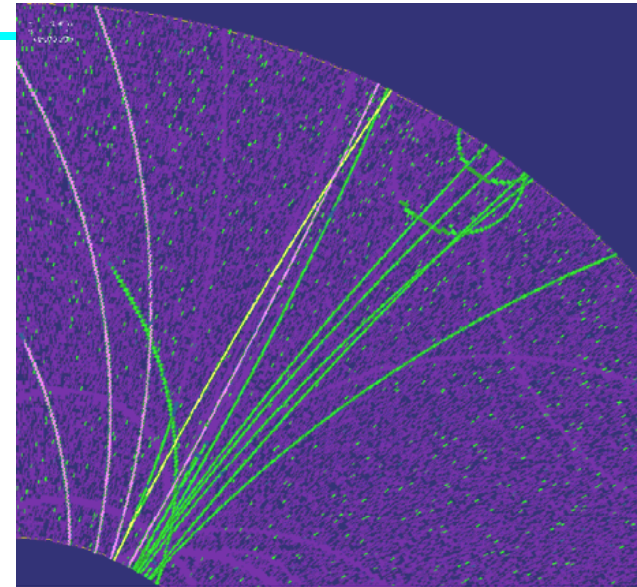
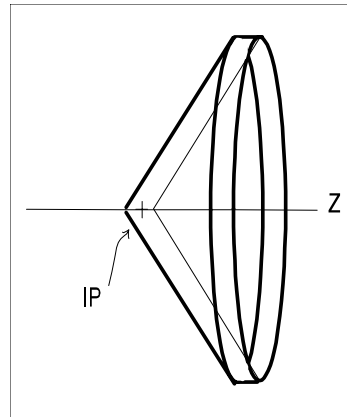
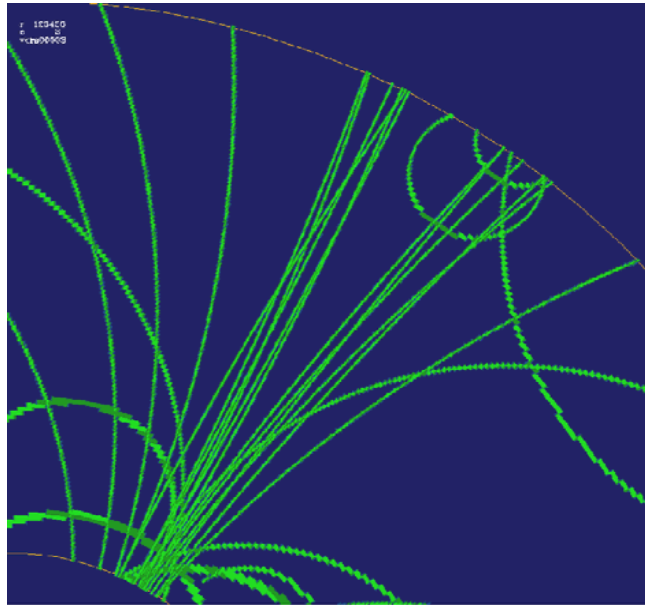
- internal hit information and
- a graphics interface to the hit assignments, at intermediate stages in the programs.

This allows **rapid determination the root cause of reconstruction failures** (on single tracks) and algorithm development.





# CLEO pattern recognition is modified for use with a 3-dimensional TPC.



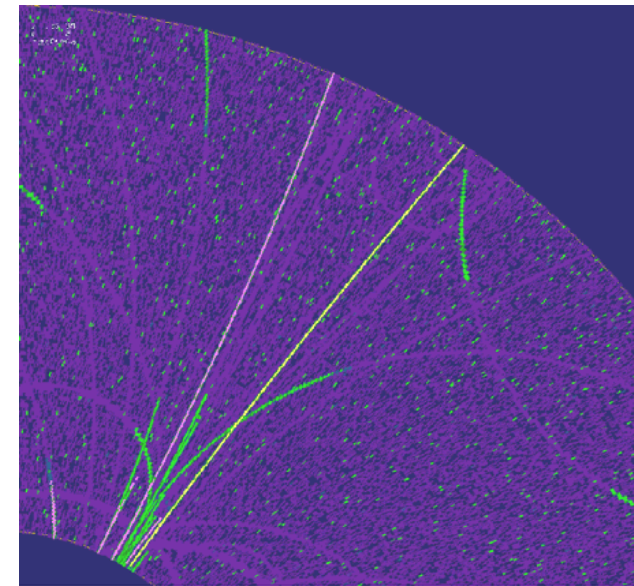
Active cone:  $Z=[r * (-24 / 40)] +/- 4.7$  cm

Hits are pre-selected to be in cones projected to the IP (as already seen in previous slides).

The cones provide a means of isolating tracks in dense jets (as shown at right).

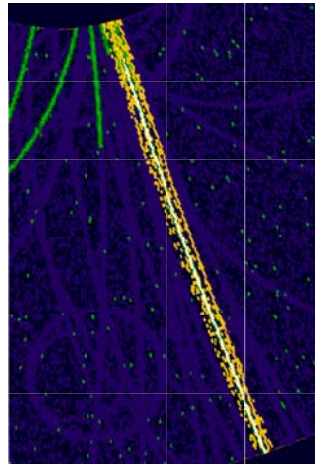
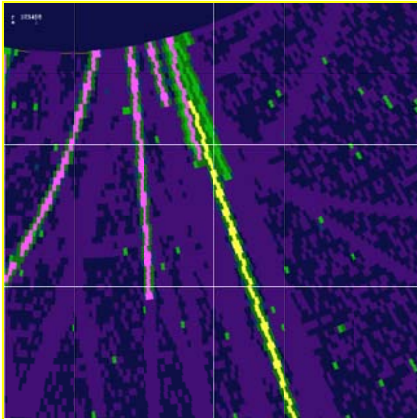
Isolated, clean, track segments are the basis for the FIRST level of pattern recognition. This uses only cell positions.

Selected track segments from all cones are collected and prioritized for further processing.



Active cone:  $Z=[r * (-28 / 40)] +/- 4.7$  cm

## Using precision information in the track finding



After locating isolated track segments,  
a road is defined around the input segment.

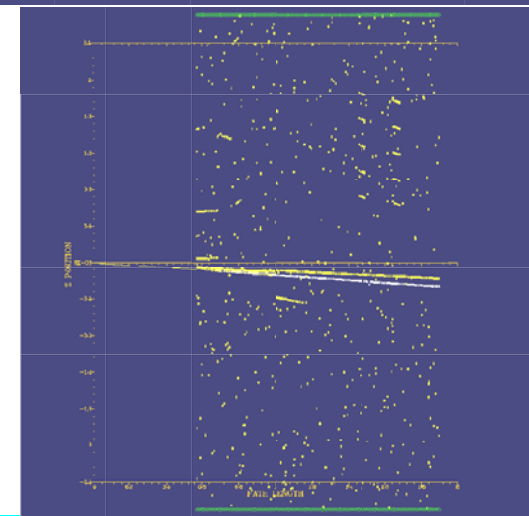
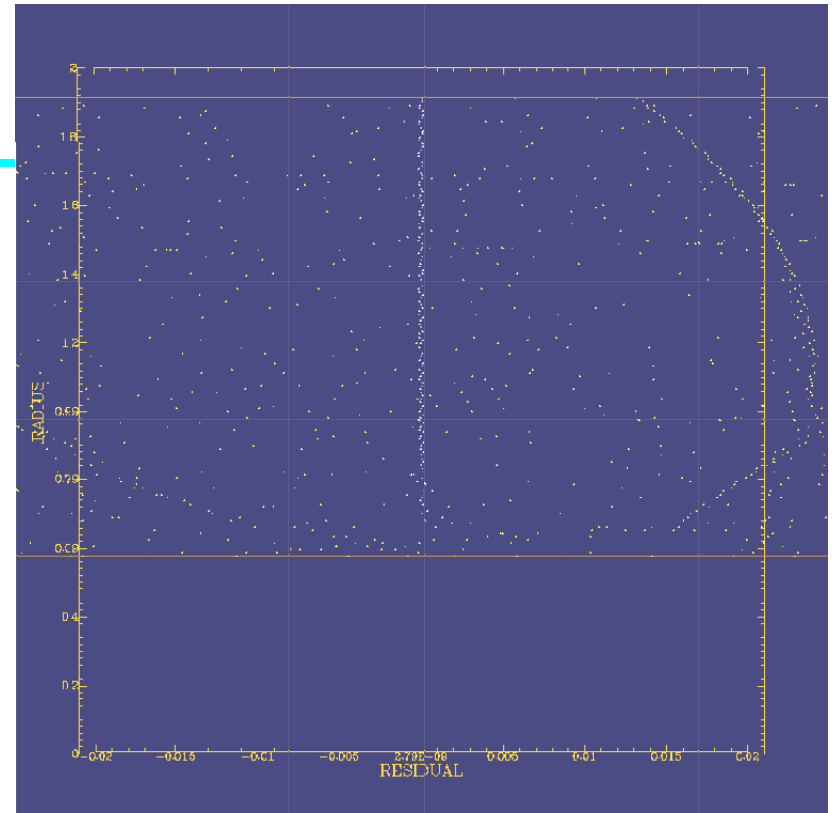
Pad responses are re-clustered within the road  
and within a time correlation ( $\sim 4\text{cm}$ ).

Local ambiguity resolution is used to select precision hits  
within (somewhat arbitrarily) defined layer groups.

*Hits are required to have consistent residuals,  
relative to the “current fit”.*

*The average residual within a layer group is less important.*

The process of selecting hits is iterated.



## MC tracks selected for efficiency studies

MC generated track list (not used)

- 1)  $\text{curv}_1, \phi_1, \text{impact}_1, Z0_1, \text{COS}(\theta)_1$
- 2)  $\text{curv}_2, \phi_2, \text{impact}_2, Z0_2, \text{COS}(\theta)_2$
- 3)  $\text{curv}_3, \phi_3, \text{impact}_3, Z0_3, \text{COS}(\theta)_3$
- ...
- ...
- N)  $\text{curv}_N, \phi_N, \text{impact}_N, Z0_N, \text{COS}(\theta)_N$

MC generated hit list

- 1) gen. track<sub>1</sub>, layer<sub>1</sub>, X<sub>1</sub>, Y<sub>1</sub>, Z<sub>1</sub>
- 2) gen. track<sub>2</sub>, layer<sub>2</sub>, X<sub>2</sub>, Y<sub>2</sub>, Z<sub>2</sub>
- 3) gen. track<sub>3</sub>, layer<sub>3</sub>, X<sub>3</sub>, Y<sub>3</sub>, Z<sub>3</sub>
- ...
- ...
- i) gen. track<sub>i</sub>, layer<sub>i</sub>, X<sub>i</sub>, Y<sub>i</sub>, Z<sub>i</sub>
- ...
- j) gen. track<sub>j</sub>, layer<sub>j</sub>, X<sub>j</sub>, Y<sub>j</sub>, Z<sub>j</sub>
- ...
- ...
- M) gen. track<sub>M</sub>, layer<sub>M</sub>, X<sub>M</sub>, Y<sub>M</sub>, Z<sub>M</sub>

Sub-list of contiguous generated hits satisfying...

- a) same generated track number
- b) starts at layer 1
- c) increasing layer number
- d) truncated if layer number decreases (top of curler)
- e) continues through at least 30 layers

TRACK FIT

“Plausible Track” List

- 1)  $\text{curv}_1, \phi_1, \text{COT}(\theta)_1, \text{impact}_1, Z0_1$
- ...
- n)  $\text{curv}_n, \phi_n, \text{COT}(\theta)_n, \text{impact}_n, Z0_n$

$$\text{Match } \chi^2 = (\Delta C / .002)^2 + (\Delta \phi / .003)^2 + (\Delta \text{COT} / .002)^2$$



## Track finding efficiency dependence on pad width and track “curvature”.

**Require  $\chi < 25$  (defined on previous slide.)**

Low curvature tracks are defined to NOT curl within the TPC.

Medium curvature tracks have a curl-over radius of 1.2 to 2.5 meters.  $Z_0 < 0.2$  m.

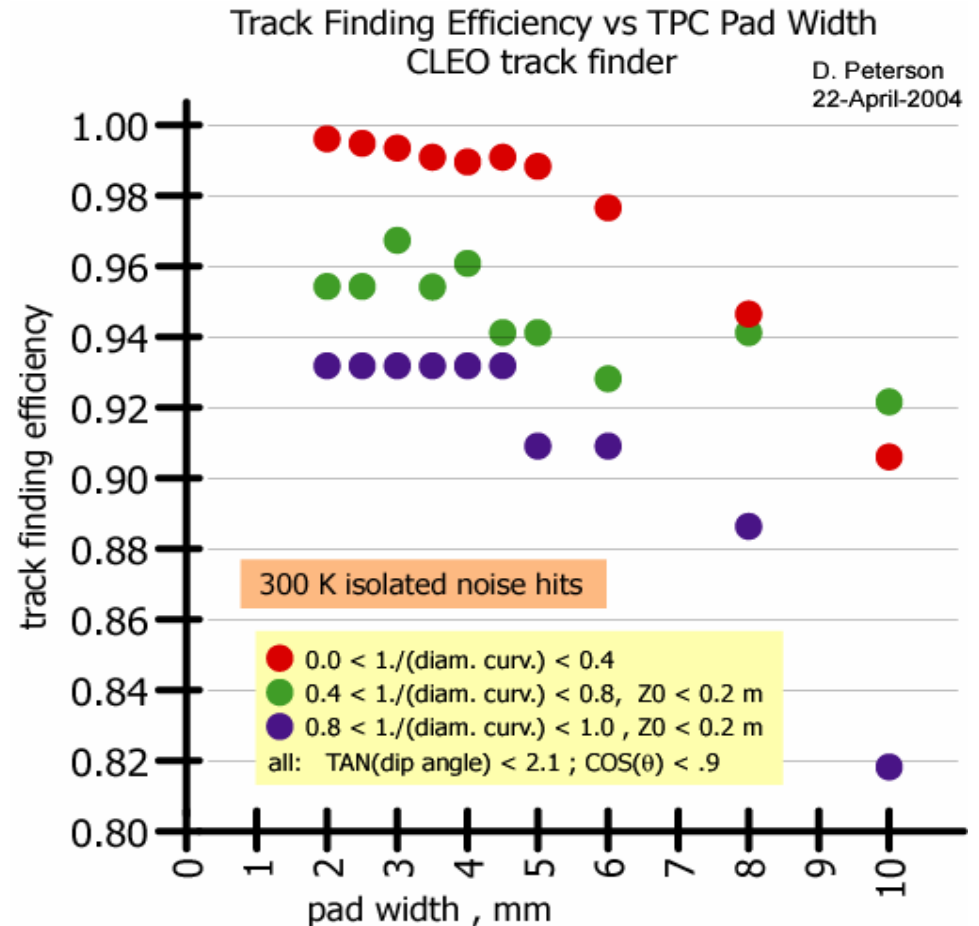
High Curvature tracks have a curl-over radius of 1.0 to 1.2 meters.  $Z_0 < 0.2$  m.  
(The inner radius of the chamber is 0.56 m.)

Medium and high curvature tracks are spread outside the jets.

The efficiency for MEDIUM curvature tracks is largely independent of pad size.

The efficiency for HIGH curvature tracks decreases with pad size above 4 mm.

The distribution for LOW curvature is expanded on the next slide.



## Efficiency dependency on noise

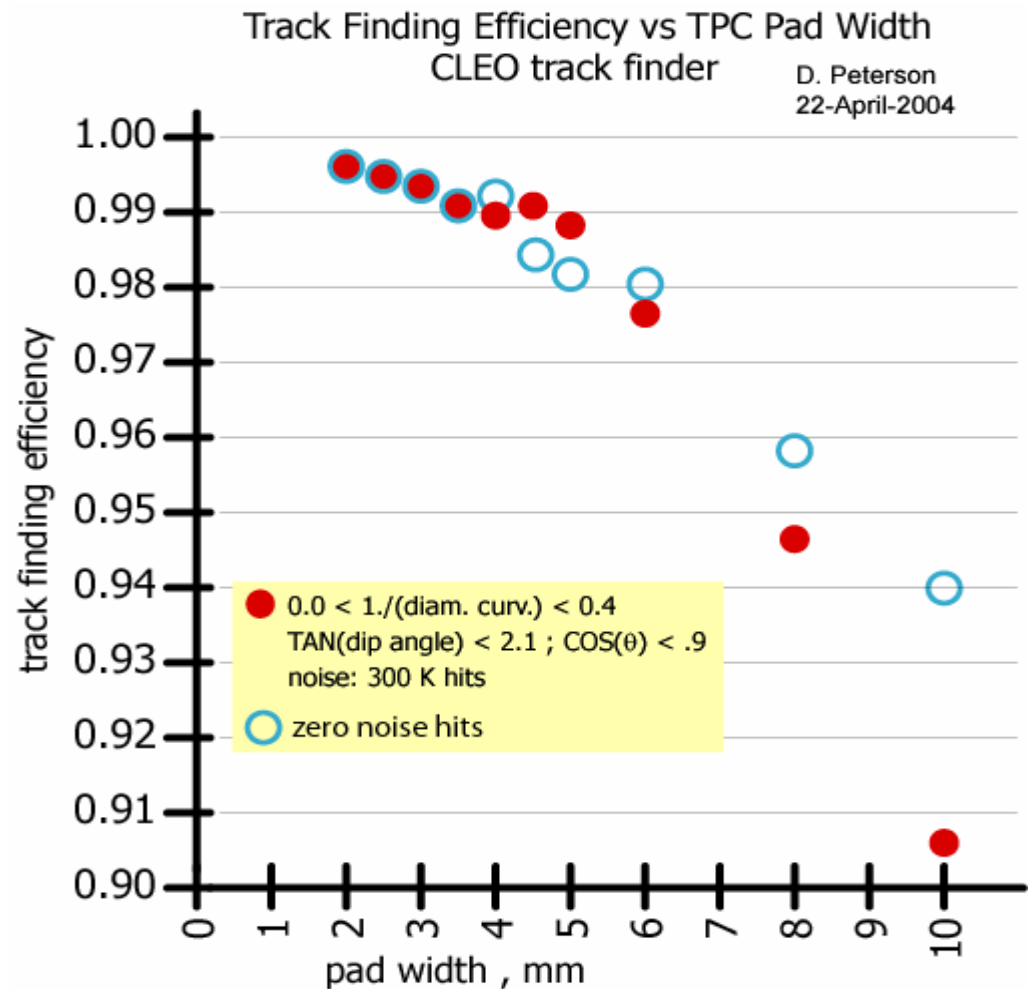
The efficiency for low curvature tracks is above 99% and has only a small variation below 4mm pad width.

The efficiency has little dependence on the noise rate for a pad size of 4mm (or less).

(The noise occupancy is ~1% for 4 mm pad size.)

( Surprisingly, the points at pad width = 4.5mm and 5mm have better efficiency *with* the noise. The discrepancy is consistent with the tolerance at that pad size. )

The efficiency for medium and high curvature tracks has insignificant dependence on noise at the levels tested.



## Low curvature : 2 tracks that are never “found”

### These are decays-in-flight.

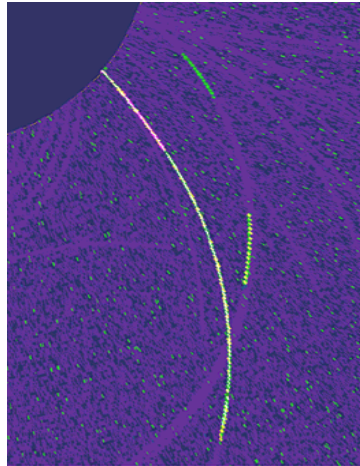
The sample is small; there are only 766 tracks in the **low curvature** (straight tracks) sample.

With 2 mm pad size, only 3 tracks are lost, of which 2 are lost due to decay in flight.

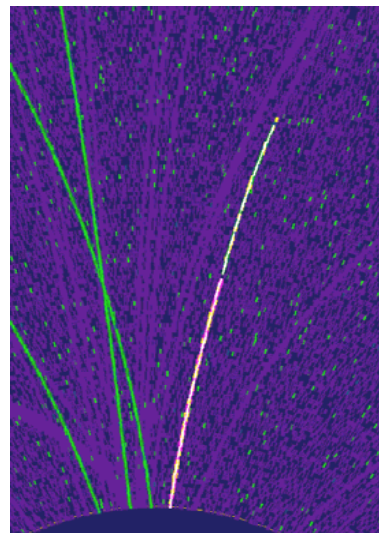
( The change in generator ID number indicates that this is decay rather than hard scatter. )

The CLEO reconstruction includes a procedure for recognizing decay-in-flight.

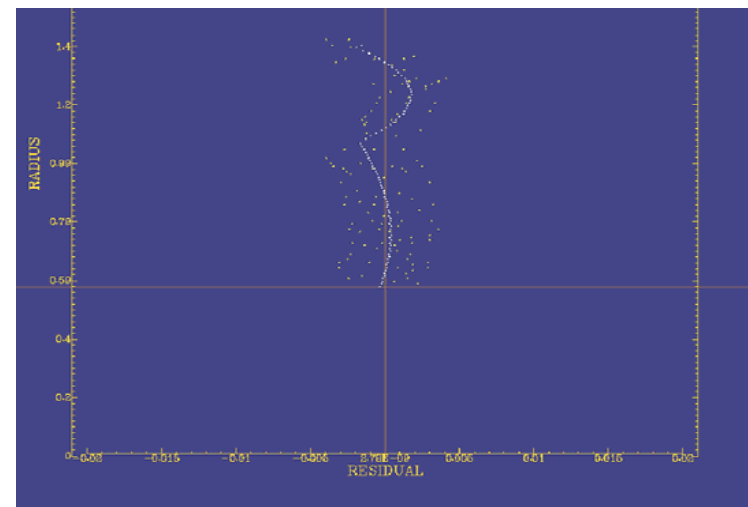
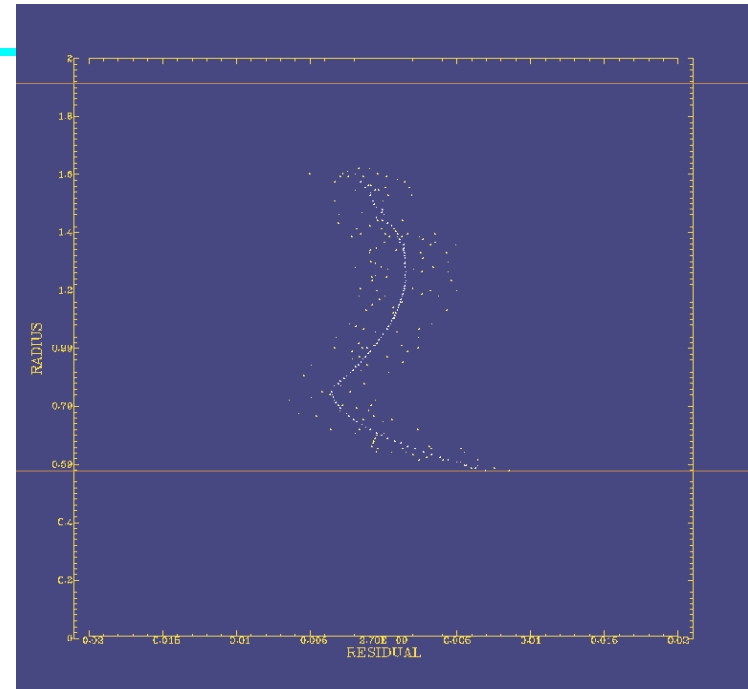
This is not yet implemented.



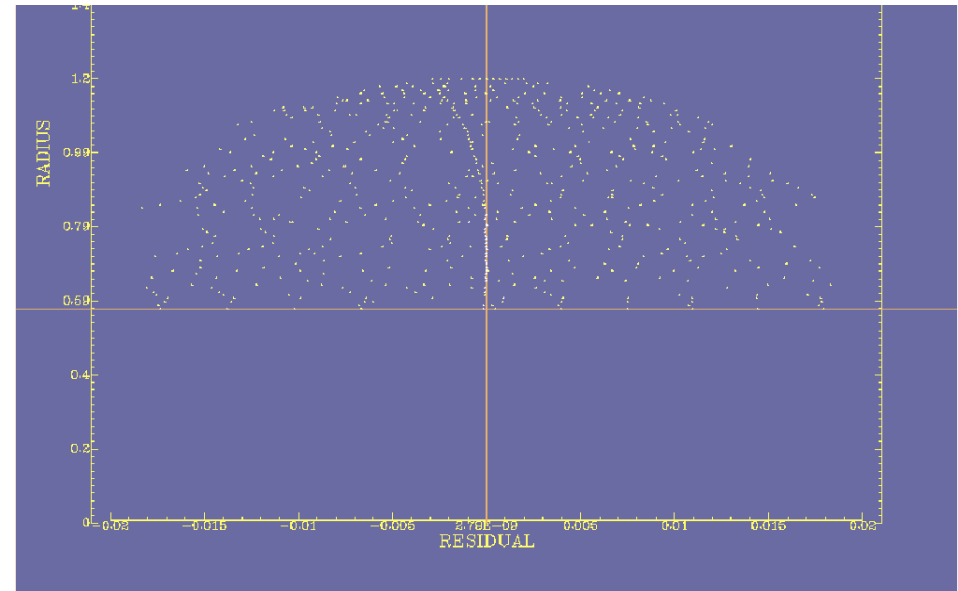
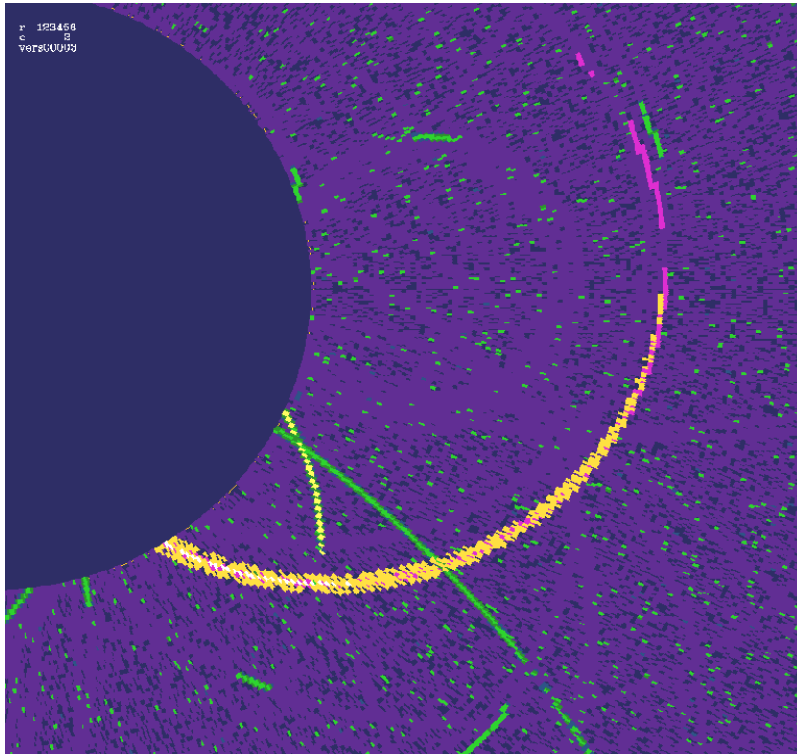
Active cone:  $Z=[r * (+31 / 40)] \pm 4.7$  cm



Active cone:  $Z=[r * (+30 / 40)] \pm 4.7$  cm



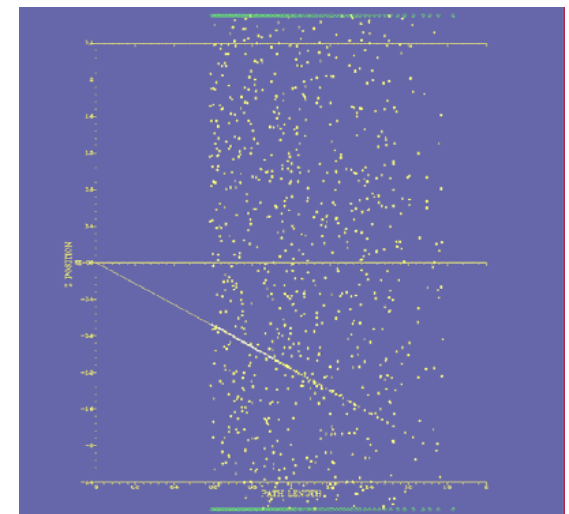
## Example of Inefficiency in High Curvature Tracks



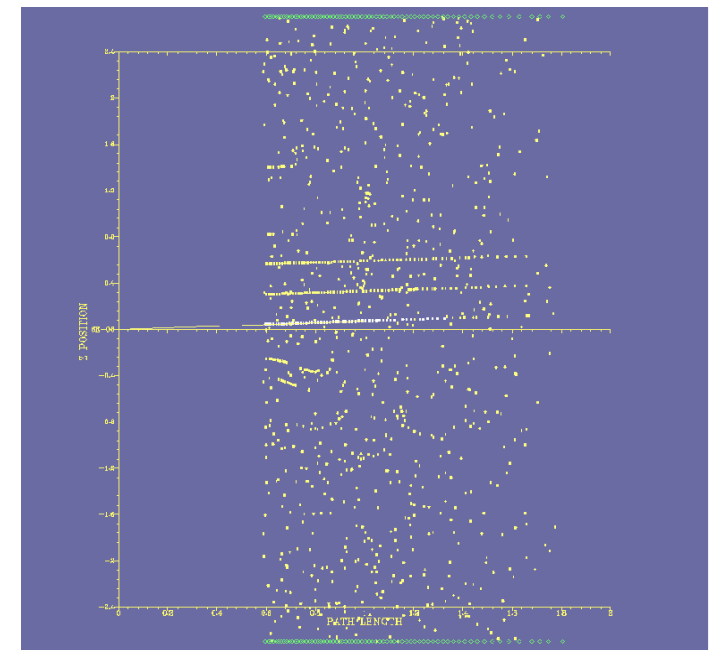
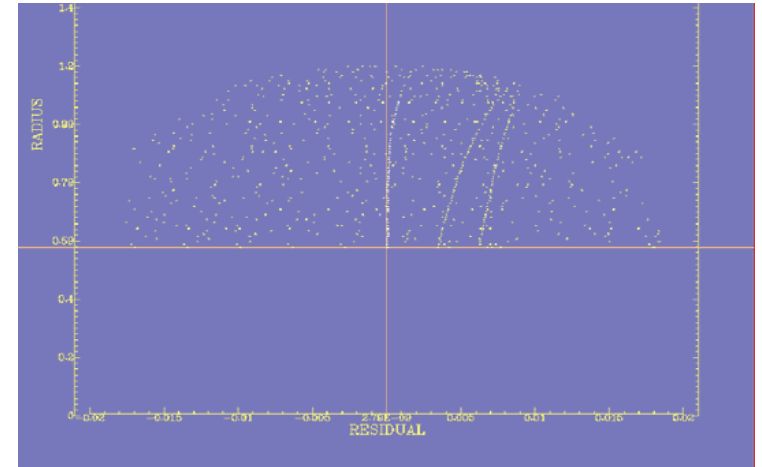
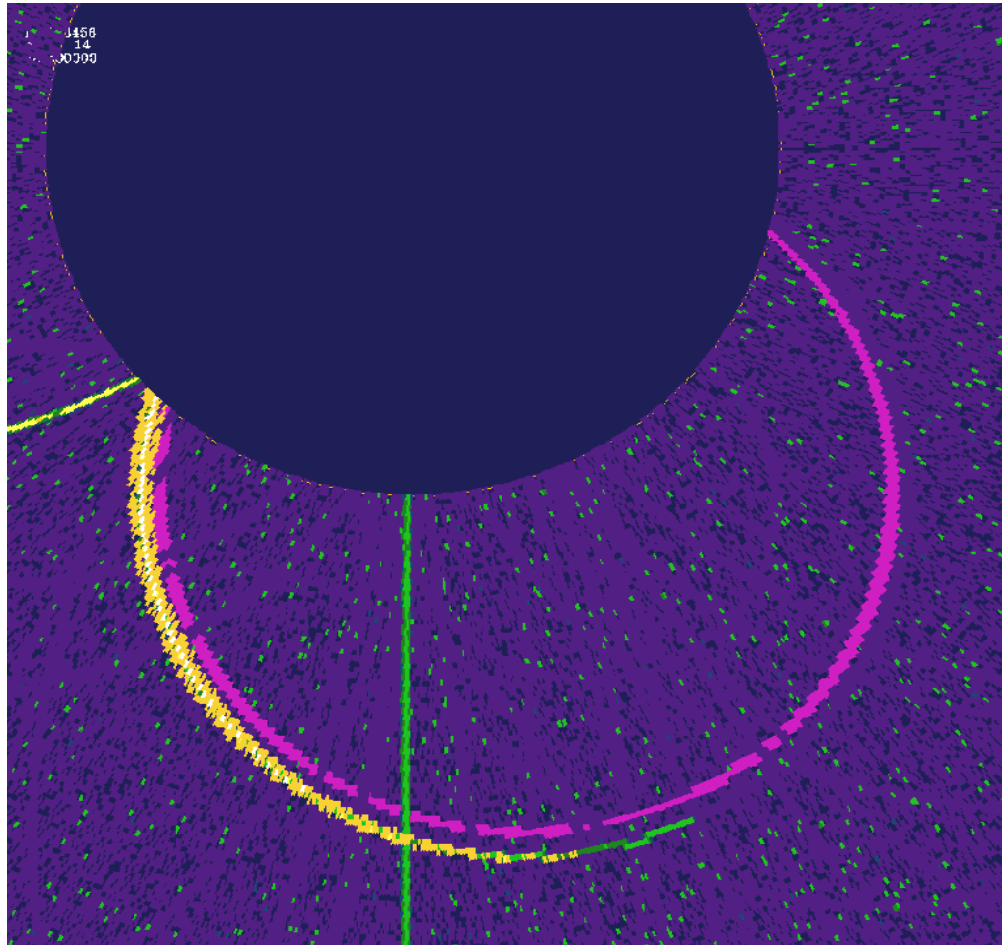
The particle,  $\sim 450$  MeV/c, suffered energy loss after about 25 cm. The track is reconstructed only to the radius of energy loss.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> stage of the CLEO pattern recognition (not implemented) would extend the hit recognition to the curl-over radius.

Ironically, the found track represents the initial track parameters but does not match the defined track parameters (slide 16).



# Multiple Loops



## Summary, Outlook

“Complete” at the Paris 2004 LCWS meeting:

interface to the LCD physics simulation through .sio file (Mike Ronan)

implementation of a TPC geometry, data structure, and detector response simulation

including FADC response simulation

upgrade the Cornell/CLEO reconstruction to handle multi-hit electronics

procedure for scanning multiple I.P. pointing cones and sorting tracks (now used in CLEO)

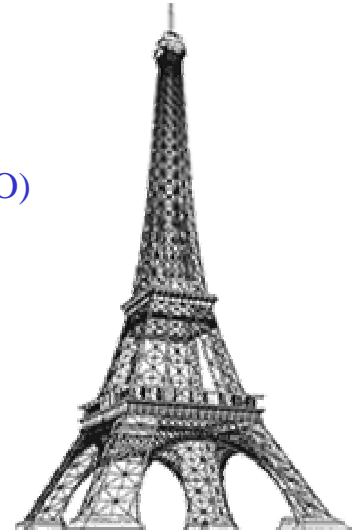
Results:

TPC reconstruction efficiency above 99% for pad size 4 mm and less

for non curling tracks

within the search volume.

TPC reconstruction efficiency is unaffected by noise , up to 1% occupancy.



Possible improvements to the study:

Higher noise, Clustered noise, Track background

Extend the (existing) decay-in-flight pattern recognition to the TPC.

Investigate dependence on signal spreading. This could be relevant to, *e.g.*, resistive spreading.

Investigate dependence on a parameterization of track isolation.

Quantify the rate of non-removable spurious “found” tracks; this is equally important to energy flow.

Future:

Mike Ronan and Norman Graf will incorporate the response simulation into the LCD simulation and provide F77 access to simulated hits. Waiting for me to provide the specifications.