Machine Learning predictor for measurement-to-track association for the ATLAS Inner Detector trigger

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Introduction

The ATLAS Detector & Inner Detector (ID)

- General purpose detector at the LHC, aims to make Standard Model precision measurements & test BSM theories
- The ID is dedicated to track & vertex reconstruction, & consists of 3 sub-systems
- Pixel detector & Insertable B-Layer (IBL) are closest to the beamline; have the highest hit occupancy
- Semiconductor Tracker (SCT)
- Transition Radiation Tracker (TRT)
- The trigger is part of the High Level Trigger (HLT) & performs fast online track & vertex finding. The ID Fast Tracking algorithm uses seeded track finding using combinatorial track following





= 1082mm



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Tracking Finding as a Pattern Recognition Problem

- Associate individual measurements into sequences representing tracks
- ▶ Typical scale: O(10⁵) hits per event & several 1000s of tracks
- Track finding algorithm for the LHC Run-2 data taking period is based on combinatorial track following using track seeds
- Typically the number of seeds scales nonlinearly with the number of hits (~cubical)
- Motivation for novel Machine Learning (ML) approaches in track finding that could lead to large savings in CPU as pileup increases
- Aims: create a ML algorithm to predict if a pair of hits belong to the same track given input hit features & optimize the HLT ID track seeding by reducing the proportion of fake seeds



Figure 2: Wall time per event for ID reconstruction in 2017



[2] https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/ComputingandSoftwarePublicResults

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Data Exploration & Feature Extraction

Training Data

- Monte Carlo (MC) $t\bar{t}$ events at 13 TeV and mean pileup multiplicity $\langle \mu \rangle = 80$, using run-2 geometry
- Seeds: groups of three spacepoints located in different detector layers; fake seeds are groups of spacepoints that do not originate from the same simulated track
- Seeds constructed at the combinatorial stage of ATLAS track seeding were extracted
- Doublets (hit pairs) are extracted from pixel-only seeds, the inner doublet is denoted by spacepoints: (1,2) & outer doublet: (2,3)

Ground truth labels obtained from MC truth

- **Correct hit association (1):** hit pairs belong to the same track & correspond to a truth particle
- Incorrect hit association (0): hit pairs do not belong to the same track

Input Features

- Consider the r z plane
- Absolute inverse track inclination $|cot(\theta)|$ where θ is the angle of inclination to the doublet hits from the z axis
- w_n pixel cluster width measured in the η direction

 $n = -\ln[t_{2}n(\theta/2)]$



Figure 3: Illustration of a triplet seed in the r - z plane pixel layers of the ID



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Classifier Development & Training

The Model

- Binary classification using a 'Not-so-Naïve' Bayes' classifier with a generative model
- Likelihood is computed via a Kernel Density Estimate fitted to each doublet class
- $|cot(\theta)|$ forms the input feature to be learned for varying **pixel cluster width** w_{η}
- ROC curve is used to adjust probability threshold cut
- Each classifier was tuned to yield True Positive Rate (TPR) = 0.95 to maintain high purity of doublets







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- Predictions were made for each 1D distribution & plotted as an 'acceptance-rejection' region
- Acceptance region (black) converted to Look-Up Table (LUT), ensures fast look-up in HLT ID track seeding
- Reduces computational overhead & training does not need to be done on the fly
- Classifiers for pixel-barrel doublets & pixel-endcap doublets are trained separately
- Seed selection efficiency 74.8 \pm 0.1% & total rejection rate 41.5 \pm 0.1%, gives an indication of relative speed-up



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Performance: Efficiency vs. Track Parameters

Key Results

- Pixel barrel & endcap LUT fed directly into the HLT Fast Tracking algorithm
- $< \mu >= 80$: 93.9% average tracking efficiency (nominal 95%)
- An overall 2.3× speed-up factor
- Efficiency loss is mainly observed at large $|\eta|$



Performance: CPU Time Comparison

- Greatest saving in CPU time is achieved during the **Seed Processing** stage
- $\blacktriangleright\,$ ML filtering for pixel seeds yields \sim 78% fewer seeds

Table 1: Breakdown of speed-up factors observed for different stages of the HLT ID Fast Tracking algorithm at $<\mu>=$ 80

Total Speed-up Factor	Seed Generation	Seed Processing	Track Fitting
2.3	1.3	3.3	1.5

Table 2: Performance of the full detector tracking at various average pile-up multiplicities with application of ML filtering on pixel seeds in the ID

$<\mu>$	Efficiency Loss (%)	Total Speed-up Factor
40	0.7	1.6
60	0.7	2.1
80	1.1	2.3



[3] https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/HLTTrackingPublicResults #ATL_COM_DAQ_2021_003_Machine_Lea

Summary

- The application of a ML-based classifier for seed selection in the ATLAS Inner Detector has provided significant CPU savings on trained MC data at various pileup levels
- ► The trained predictor in the form of a LUT yields 2.3× speed-up with minimal loss in efficiency (1.1%) at < µ > = 80 compared with the standard trigger tracking
- The developed ML pipeline provides a way to generate custom LUTs by training the predictor to yield a required TPR, dependent on the degree of efficiency required
- Reducing the proportion of fakes at an earlier stage in the ATLAS HLT track seeding, ensures the reduction in CPU usage overall
- Efficient use of computing power will become an increasingly important factor in the selection of physics objects as the luminosity and pileup increase during future upgrades of the LHC program



Backup





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ATLAS Trigger System & the ID Trigger System

ATLAS trigger system is separated in 2 main stages

- L1: Level 1 hardware stage
 - Identifies Regions of Interest (Rol)
 - ▶ Reduces data rate to 100kHz, < 2.5µs</p>
- HLT: High Level Trigger software stage
 - Processes Rols identified by L1
 - Reduces data rate to 1.5kHz
 - Between 200ms & 500ms

ID trigger is part of HLT system & performs fast online track and vertex finding

- Data preparation: Detector elements are reconstructed for given spatial Region of Interest (RoI)
- Fast tracking algorithm optimised for track finding efficiency provides initial track fit & parameters
- Seeded track finding using combinatorial track following
- Precision tracking:
 - Applies offline track fit using tracks from the Fast Tracking algorithm
 - Runs the ambiguity solver algorithm to remove duplicate tracks



Precision & Recall

Definitions

- Precision = TP/TP+FP Ratio of correctly predicted positive observations to the total predicted positive observations
- Recall (Sensitivity) = TP/TP+FN Ratio of correctly predicted positive observations to the all observations in actual class
- F1 Score = 2*(Recall * Precision) / (Recall + Precision) Weighted average of Precision & Recall, taking both FPs and FNs into account



(Recall) Positive Negative Sensitivity False Negative (FN) Positive True Positive (TP) Type II Error $\overline{(TP + FN)}$ Actual Class Specificity False Positive (FP) Negative True Negative (TN) TN Type I Error $\overline{(TN + FP)}$ **Negative Predictive** Accuracy Precision Value TP + TNTN $\overline{(TP + FP)}$ $\overline{(TN + FN)}$

Predicted Class



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