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# OBJECT CONDENSATION RECONSTRUCTION FROM LOW- $Q^2$ TAGGER HITS

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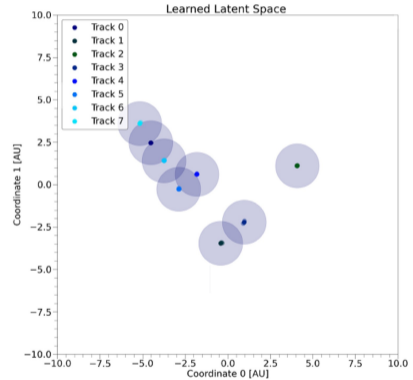
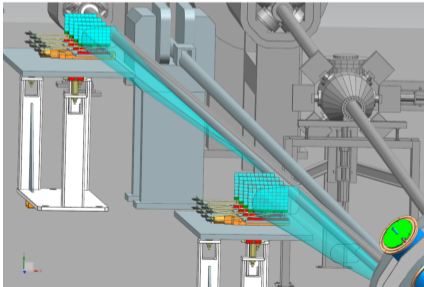
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## INTRODUCTION

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## ePIC Low- $Q^2$ Tagger

- The ePIC Low- $Q^2$  Tagger extends the reach of the central detector down to effectively  $Q^2=0$ .
- Electrons with reduced energy are steered away from the main beam.
- Scattered electrons from DIS events will be swamped by a background of Bremsstrahlung.
- A total of  $O(10)$  electron tracks from the IP are anticipated per bunch crossing.
- Additional, significant but currently unquantified backgrounds, from electron beam gas interactions and synchrotron radiation.



Figure 1: ePIC Low- $Q^2$  Tagger in Far Backward region.

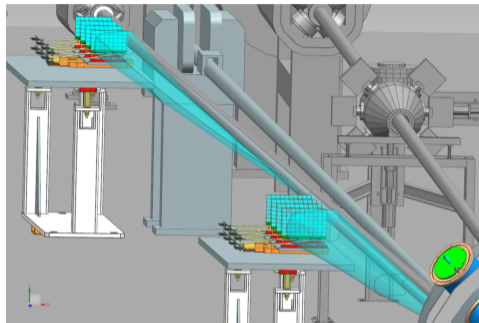


Figure 2: Low- $Q^2$  Tagger stations placed beside the outgoing electron beamline. Each station consisting of 4 tracker layers.

- For precise measurements of photo production and vector mesons.

## Challenge

- From a varying number of  $N_{hits}$  reconstruct an unknown number of  $M_{particles}$ .
- Conventional approaches require looping over valid combinations of hits.
- High order of combinations to check computationally expensive.
- Latency per sample can fluctuate wildly.

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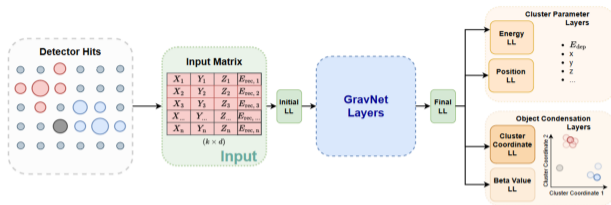
## Current Approach

- Separate hits by module.
- Cluster hits in layer.
- Linear least squares fit and  $\chi^2$  filter all combinations of hits in 4 layers.
- Project track onto common plane.
- Use position and direction vector as input into DNN, reconstructing electron momentum at interaction vertex.
- Good for single particle simulations but doesn't extend well for backgrounds and streaming.

## OBJECT CONDENSATION

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# OBJECT CONDENSATION



- Object Condensation method presented by Jan Kieseler 2020<sup>1</sup>.
- Graph network architecture taking each hit as a node.
- GravNet layers pass messages between closest neighbours in learned space<sup>2</sup>.
- After passing through the graph layers, every node now has the information encoded for a track.
- A single hit per track is identified as a "condensation point", should provide the best estimate of track properties.
- Hits from the same track are clustered around the the condensation point.
- Classification and regression can additionally be carried out on the encoded information.
- Recent study on simulations for Charged Particle Tracking at the High Luminosity LHC<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> Object condensation: one-stage grid-free multi-object reconstruction in physics detectors, graph, and image data

<sup>2</sup> Learning representations of irregular particle-detector geometry with distance-weighted graph networks

<sup>3</sup> An Object Condensation Pipeline for Charged Particle Tracking at the High Luminosity LHC

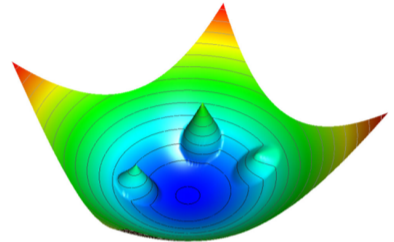


Fig. 1 Illustration of the effective potential that is affecting a vertex belonging to the condensation point of the object in the centre, in the presence of three other condensation points around it

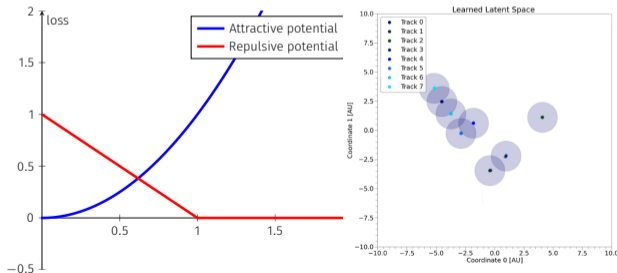
Is this a sledgehammer to crack a nut for the Low- $Q^2$  tagger? -Maybe... But the unknown backgrounds are expected to be high.

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## Latent Space Potential Loss

- Loss from the potential calculated from hits from each particle with maximum .
- The potential is scaled by the product of the charges  
 $q_i = \operatorname{arctanh}^2 \beta_i + q_{min}$
- A well trained network should see only hits belonging to the same particle within  $r < 1$ .



## Beta Loss

- The product of  $\beta$  in the potential loss pushes  $\beta \rightarrow 0$  for every hit.
- Need one high  $\beta$  for each track for condensation point to form. Force sum over  $\beta$  hits from track = 1
- $\text{loss}_\beta = 1 - \beta$

## Noise Loss

- $\beta$  values for noise are not pushed to 0
- Additional loss term is needed, summing/averaging over noise hit  $\beta$  values.

## Additional Losses

- Regression/Classification tasks can be performed per node or subset of nodes as required.
- Requires loss balancing via hyperparameters.

## SIMULATION SETUP

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## Event sample

- Mixed Bremsstrahlung-QR photoproduction events generated using GeTaLM<sup>4</sup>- Custom generator for EIC.
- Single QR photoproduction electron from 18x275 GeV collision.
- Bremsstrahlung sample from maximum luminosity 18x275 GeV bunch crossing. Average O(10) per event.
- No additional backgrounds input, only originating from secondaries produced by Geant4.

## Simulation

- Initial studies were carried out using the default ePIC geometry. A custom ePIC geometry configuration is required for full truth matching.
- Default geometry currently doesn't save secondary particles outside of central tracking region.
- Around 30% of events contain particles which create a shower of secondary hits which all get handed the truth id of the primary.
- Initial studies cleaned this data by cutting on a max 4 hits per track.
- Custom geometry extends the tracking region.

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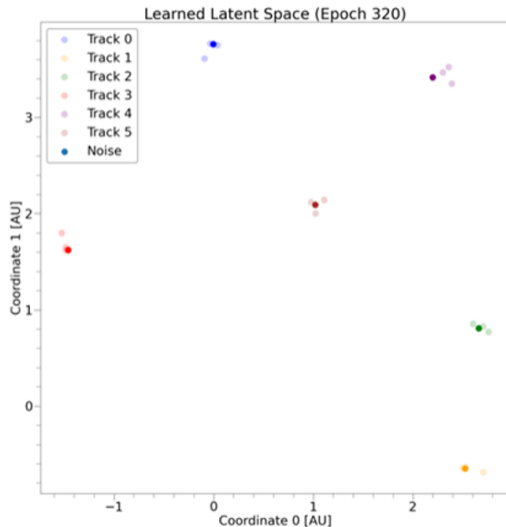
<sup>4</sup>GETaLM: A generator for electron tagger and luminosity monitor for electron - proton and ion collisions

## Track Building

- Cut on  $\beta$  to select condensation points.
- Calculate distance between condensation points and other points.
- For each layer, select hit closest to condensation point.

## Tracking Metrics

- True positive (TP) defined as a true track predicted by network - All hits belong to the same track.
- False Positive (FP) defined as any other track predicted by network.
- Efficiency: Proportion of true tracks that were recovered by the network. Expected number of true tracks (N)
  - $\frac{TP}{N}$
- Purity: Proportion of true tracks in all tracks predicted by the network.
  - $\frac{TP}{TP+FP}$



## SELECT STUDIES

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Original data sample with maximum 15 true tracks per event.

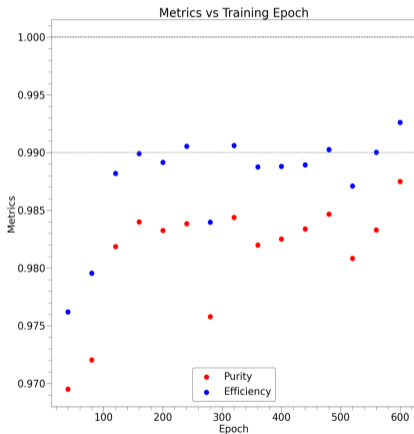


Figure 3: Tracking metrics as a function of training epoch.

High occupancy data sample combining 10 events into one with maximum 82

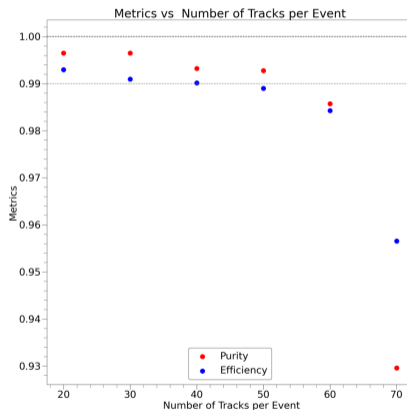


Figure 4: Tracking metrics against the number of true tracks in an event.

80% detector hit efficiency added - 20% of hits removed from sample.

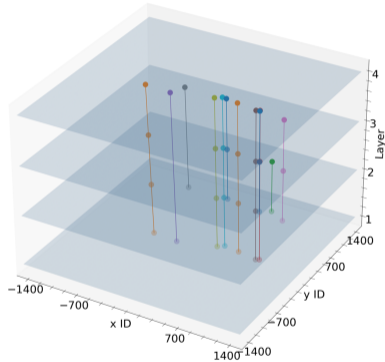


Figure 5: Hits from tracks in 4 layers with inefficiencies added.

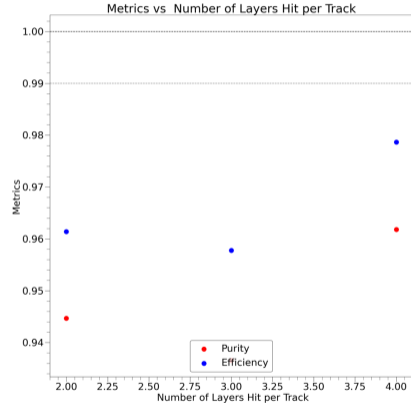


Figure 6: Tracking metrics against the number of hits per track.

Real detector efficiency expected to be >99%

# ADDING ARTIFICIAL NOISE

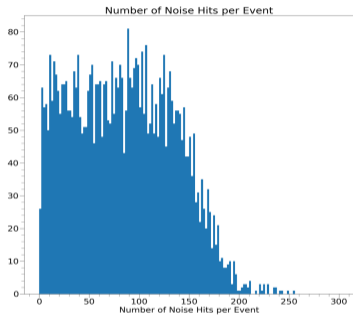


Figure 7: Distribution of artificial noise hits added to event.

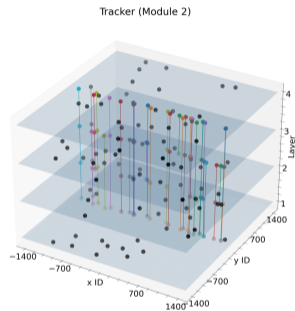


Figure 8: Sample event showing tracks identified in module 2 with inefficiencies and noise added

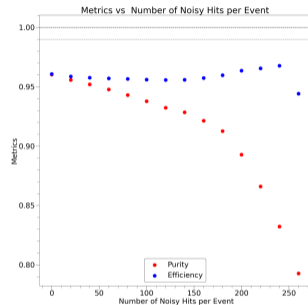


Figure 9: Efficiency and purity as a function of included noise



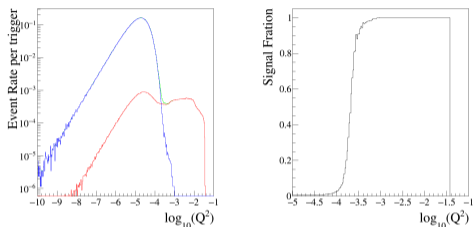


Figure 10: Rates per trigger as a function of  $Q^2$  for Bremsstrahlung (blue) and Quasi-Real (red)

## Quasi-Real Identification

- Appears to do better than a simple  $Q^2$  cut by using the full electron momentum.
- Only has access to the relative momentum distributions of the samples, cannot beat the beam divergence.
- Exclusivity restrictions imposed by other detectors should improve this.

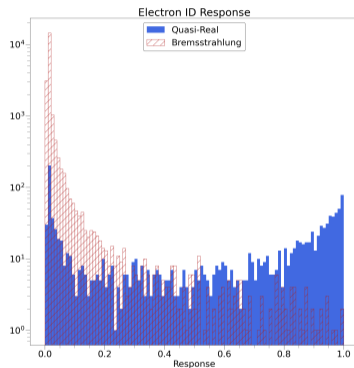


Figure 11: Learned response showing separation of QR and Bremsstrahlung events.

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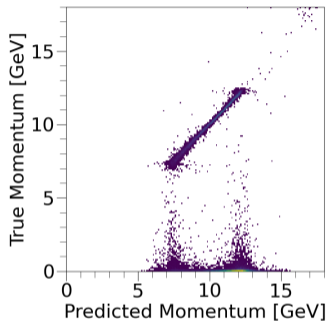


Figure 12: Predicted momentum for all condensation points.

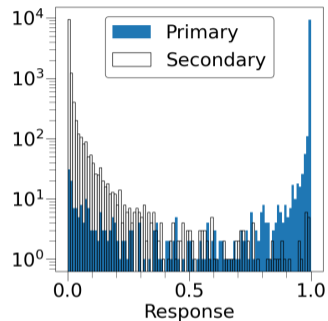


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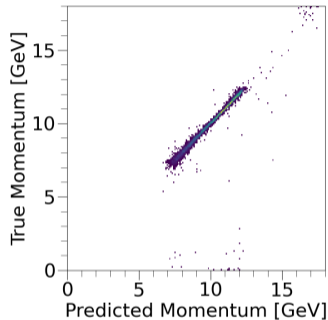


Figure 12: Predicted momentum cut on primary classification response >0.8.

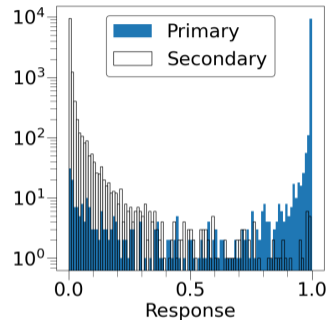


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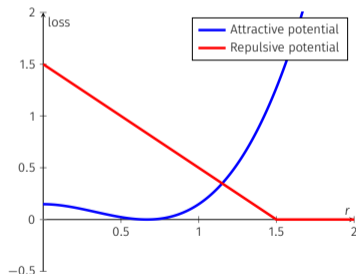
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## FUTURE PLANS

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## Shared hits

- Hits with contributions from more than one track will have conflicting potentials.
- In order to allow these to minimize to 0 loss, a potential with a repulsive core may be considered



## Balancing losses

- Current results produced in a variety of networks, need to bring together.
- Simultaneous training on the condensation, classification and regression requires weighted losses.
- Hyper-parameters need optimisation to get the best results, ideally automatically tuned.

## Improvements and Integration

- The ePIC simulation is rapidly evolving.
- Needs particles to potentially producing hits in multiple pixels to be clustered.
- Addition of beamgas and synchrotron backgrounds will increase the number of hits.
- Multi-class classification of hit source can be investigated,
- Integrate the training and inference into the ePIC software stack.
- How does this best translate to streaming readout data?

## CONCLUSIONS

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- Very promising one step particle reconstruction method.
- Good results across a range of studies.
- Lots more work to tune and extend model.
- Questions?

