Investigations of Detector Signatures from $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$ Events

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Motivation

- Hyperons might be difficult to reconstruct due to their decay topology with *e.g.* displaced vertices

Hyperon	$c\tau$[cm]
Λ	8.0
Ξ^-	4.9

- DyTER-Dynamical Track and Event Reconstruction
- STTCellTrackFinder
  - Cellular Automaton to form tracklets from STT hits
  - Riemann fit to combine tracklets

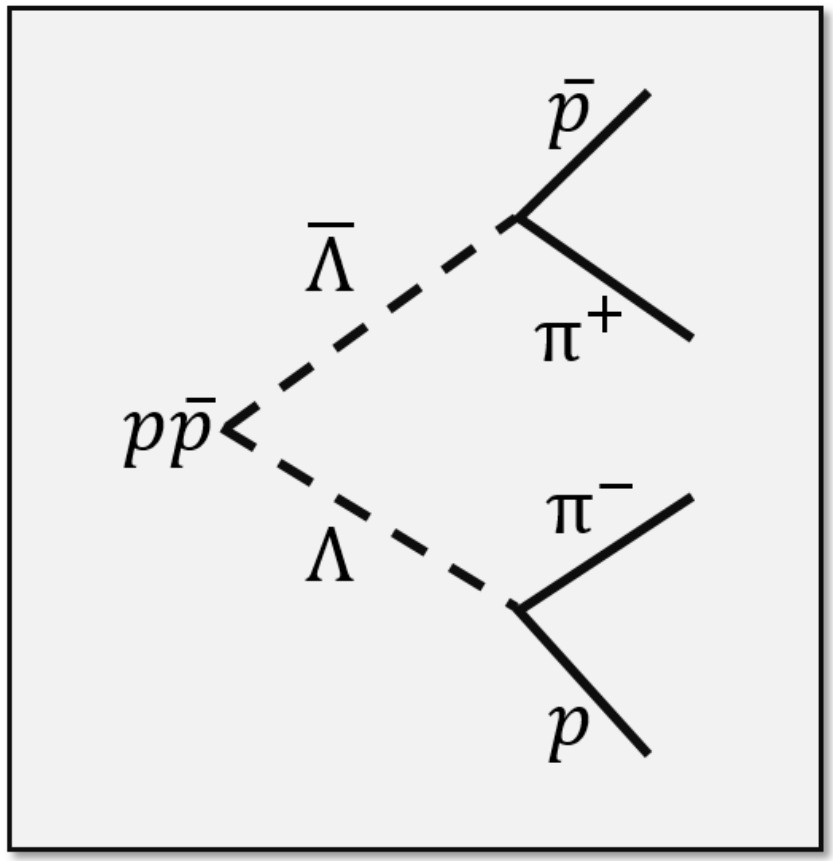
Goal: Dynamic track finder which is as general as possible but works for hyperon tracking

Motivation

Focus:

- $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$ (and $\Xi^-\Xi^+$) events due to their complex decay topology
- MVD and STT for tracking
- MVD and SciTil for possibility of providing a t_0

$p\bar{p} \to \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \to p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$



$p\bar{p} \to \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \to p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$

- 10,000 events
- Beam momenta: 1.642 GeV, 7 GeV and 15 GeV
- Forward peaking distribution, $\bar{\Lambda}$ forward boosted
- EvtGen, entire decay chain specified
- In analysis: only consider particles actually part of the interesting reaction
- Ideal track finder, standard track functor
- Target spectrometer
  - Before bug fix
  - Standard track functor ($\geq$ 4 hits in MVD or $\geq$ 6 hits in MVD+STT+GEM)
  - Bug: if this track functor was used, all tracks which do not hit forward spectrometer were classified as reconstructible
  - Bug fixed in trunk

$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow p\pi^{-}\bar{p}\pi^{+}$

- For events, only hits from final state particles
- Only tracks with ≥ 4 STT hits from final state particles
  (from now, only tracks with ≥ 4 STT hits will be considered)

	1.642 GeV	7 GeV	15 GeV
Number of events	10,000	10,000	10,000
Events with a MVD hit	99.94 %	99.47 %	99.14 %
Events with a SciTil hit	34.64 %	3.00 %	1.36 %
Number of tracks	26,013	7,253	6,614
Tracks with a MVD hit	95.5 %	98.3 %	98.0 %
Tracks with a SciTil hit	38.7 %	5.8 %	2.9 %
Tracks with a MVD and a SciTil hit	36.9 %	5.6 %	2.7 %
Tracks with a MVD or a SciTil hit	97.3 %	98.5 %	98.2 %

- MVD itself useful for most events and tracks
- At higher beam momenta, most tracks do not reach SciTil
- MVD and SciTil together are useful at all beam momenta

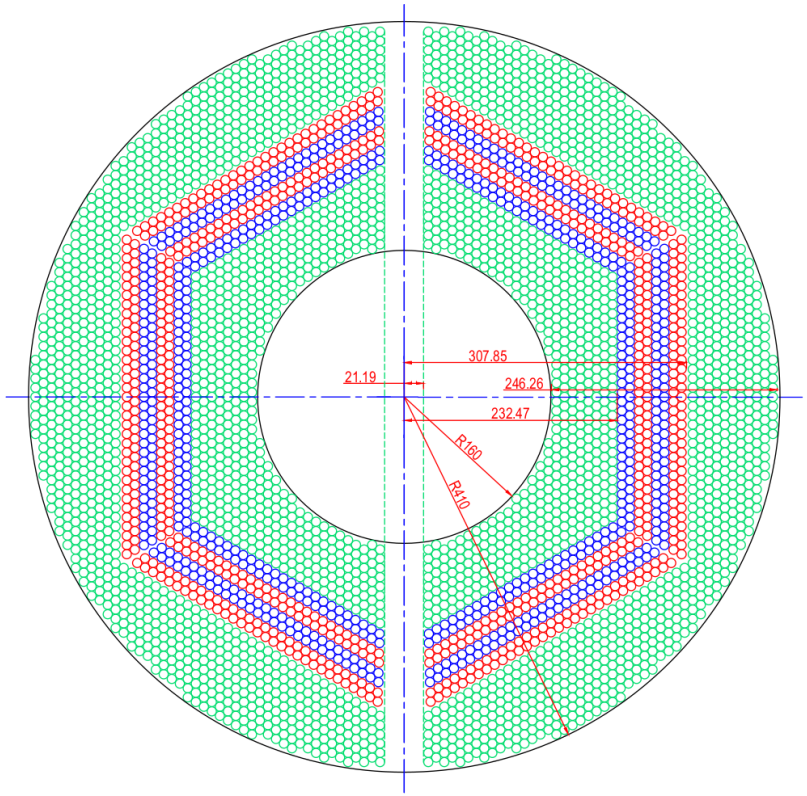
STT

At PANDA: 20 MHz interaction rate

$\Rightarrow$ On average one event every 50 ns

STT

- 4,636 straws
- 27 layers
- When straw tube is hit, gas is ionized and free electrons created
- Electrons travel towards wire at center of tube - signal for readout
- Maximum drift time of electrons: 200 ns
- During drift time no more signals can be registered



$\Rightarrow$ one straw might be occupied for the next 3 or 4 events and might not fire if hit by a particle!

STT

Forward/backward asymmetry of distribution might cause spiralling in magnetic field since Λ decays almost at rest and its decay products are not given much energy

Challenges concerning spiralling tracks with many STT hits:

- Might be difficult to reconstruct
- Particles trapped in magnetic field - might not reach outer detectors
- Might block tubes for tracks from later events - makes later tracks harder to reconstruct

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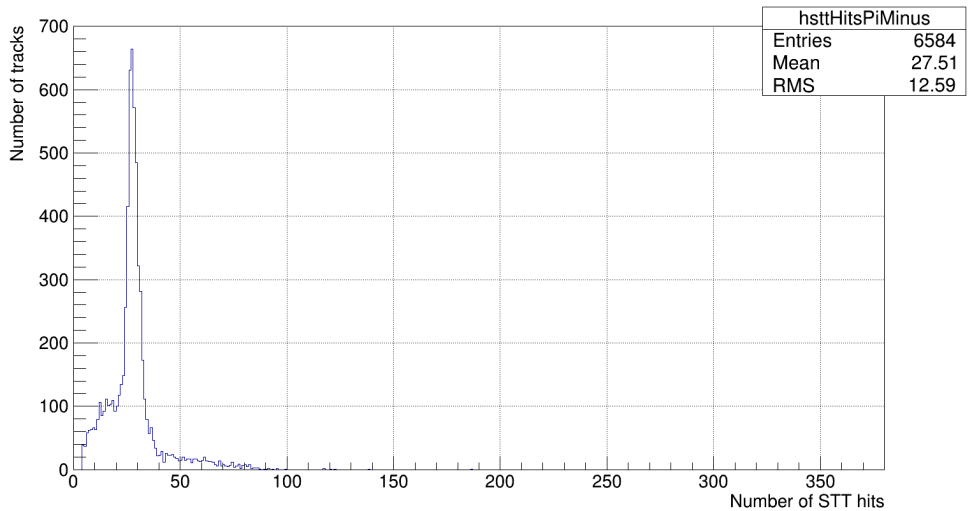
STT hits, π^-, 1.642 GeV



- Peak around 27 hits
  - $\Rightarrow$ most tracks go fairly straight through the STT
- 0.4% of all events contain π^- tracks with $\geq$ 50 STT hits
  - $\Rightarrow$ not many tracks tend to spiral

$\Rightarrow$ **no cause for concern!**

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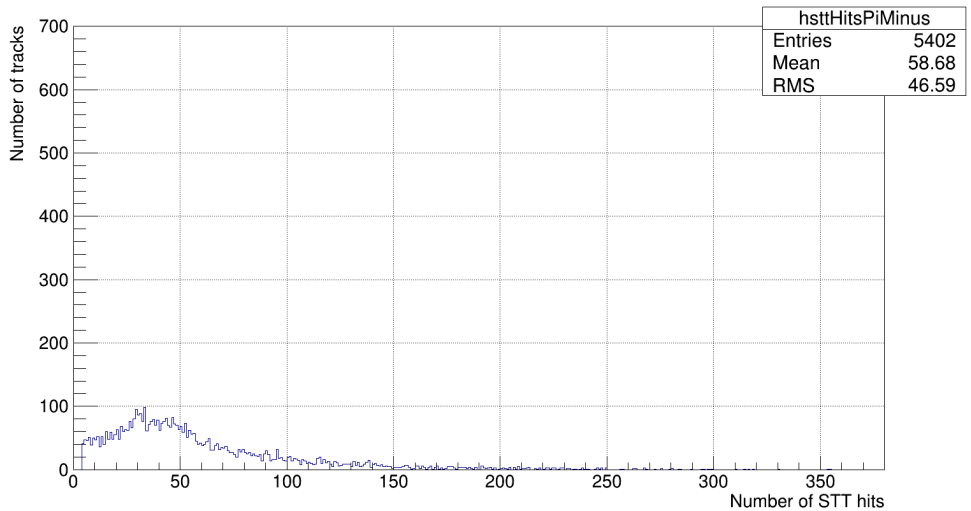
STT hits, π^{-}, 7 GeV



- Peak around 27 hits
  - $\Rightarrow$ most tracks go fairly straight through the STT
- 24.5% of all events contain π^{-} tracks with $\geq$ 50 STT hits
  - $\Rightarrow$ many tracks tend to spiral
- Exist tracks with $\geq$ 300 STT hits

$\Rightarrow$ **might cause trouble!**

$p\bar{p} \to \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \to p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$, STT hits

Events with final state particle tracks with ≥ 50 STT hits

Kind of track	1.642 GeV	7 GeV	15 GeV
π^-	0.4 %	24.5 %	24.1 %
π^+	0.4 %	0 %	0 %
p	0 %	0 %	0 %
$\bar{p}$	0 %	0 %	0 %

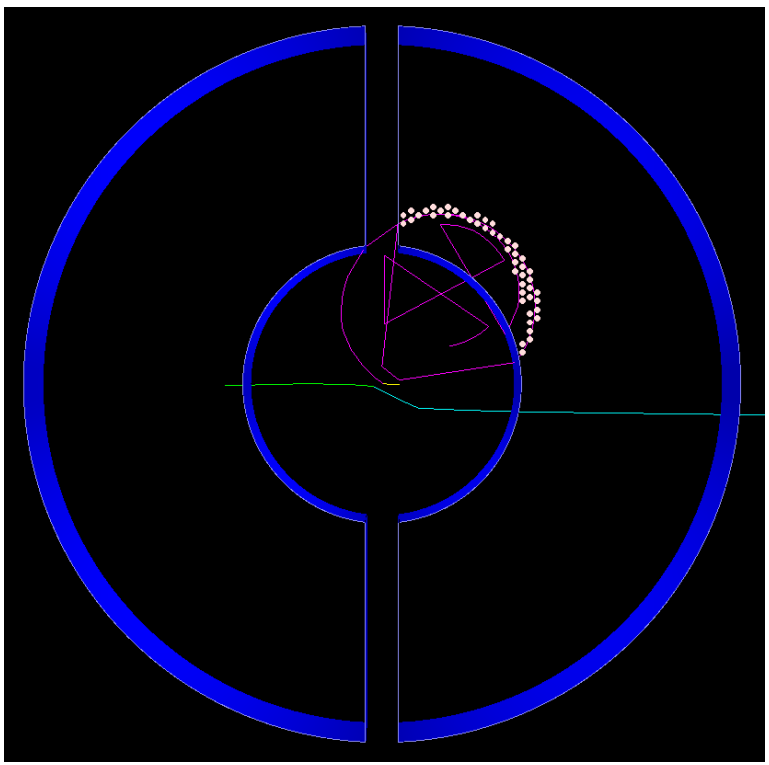
Normalization: total number of events

- At higher beam momenta, $\sim$ **1/4 of all events** contain a spiralling π^-

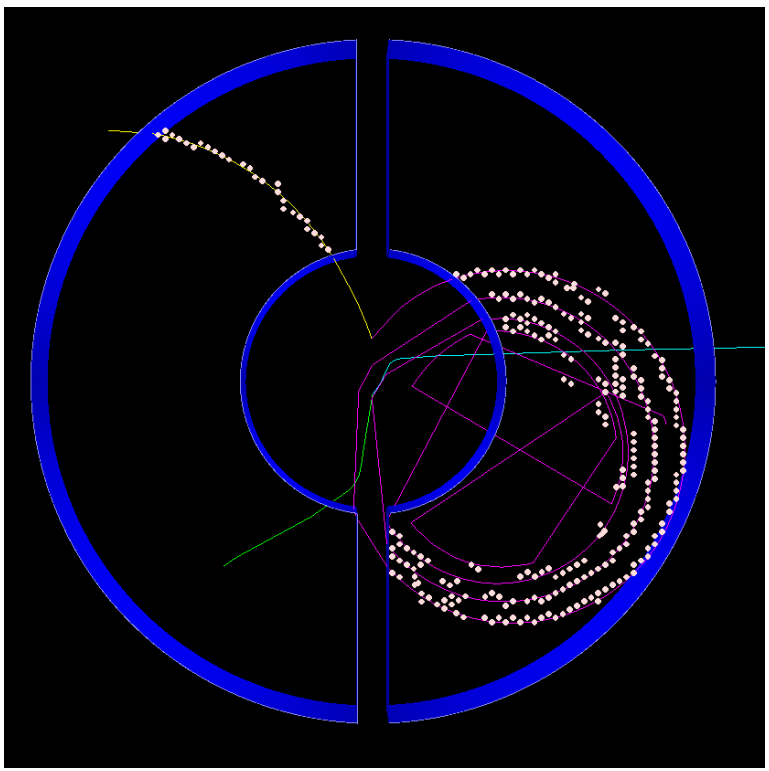
$\Rightarrow$ might cause trouble!

$p\bar{p} \to \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \to p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$, STT hits, 15 GeV

- 60 STT hits from π^-
- Spiralling is confined to one quarter of the STT



- 256 STT hits from π^-
- Spiralling is confined to half of the STT



$p\bar{p} \to \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \to p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$, MVD hits

Tracks with 0 MVD hits

	1.642 GeV	7 GeV	15 GeV
p	2 %	1 %	1 %
$\bar{p}$	5 %	–	–
π^-	3 %	2 %	2 %
π^+	7 %	–	–

Tracks with 0 Pixel hits

	1.642 GeV	7 GeV	15 GeV
p	4 %	19 %	21 %
$\bar{p}$	6 %	–	–
π^-	12 %	15 %	15 %
π^+	12 %	–	–

Tracks with 0 Strip hits

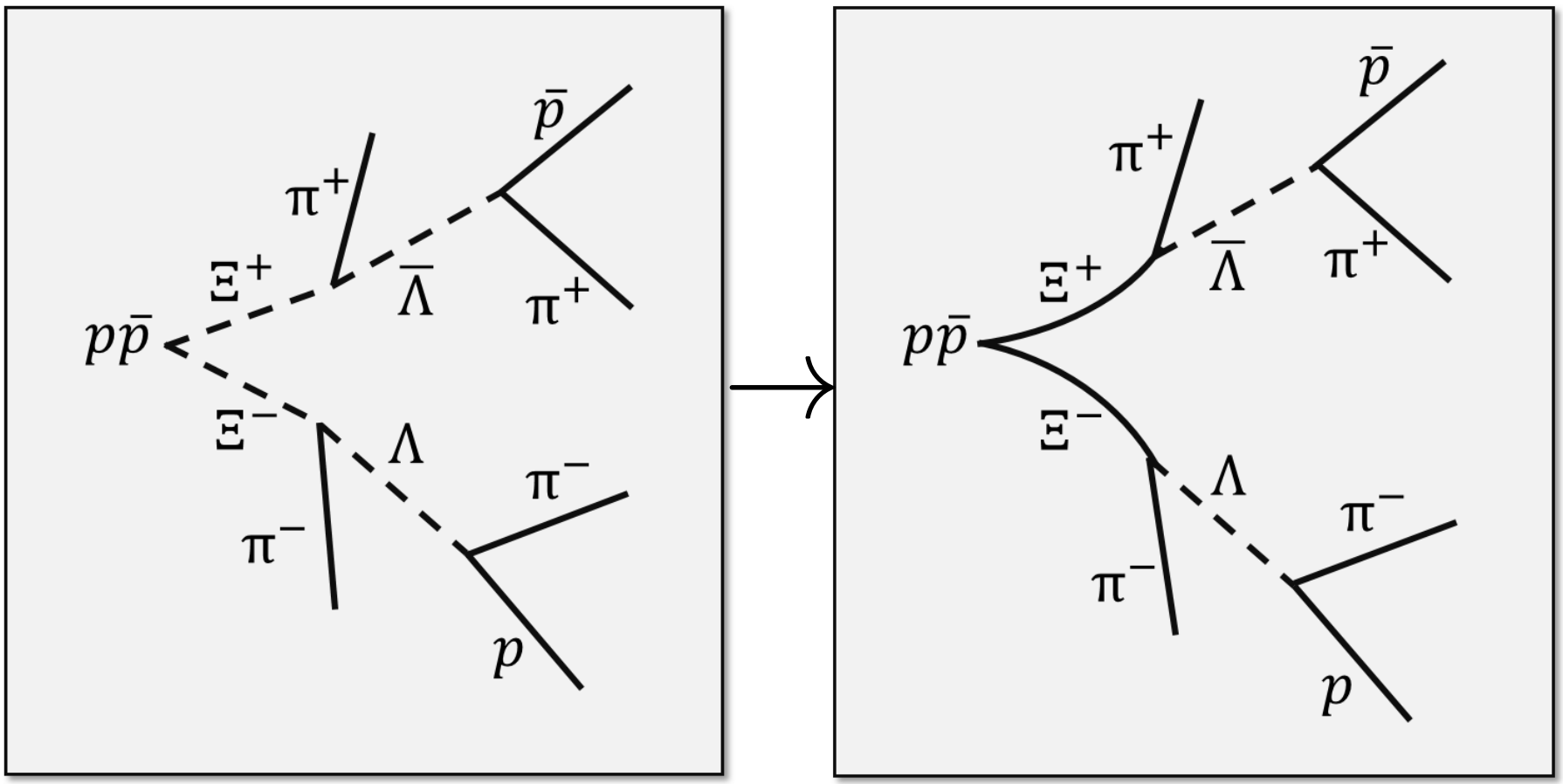
	1.642 GeV	7 GeV	15 GeV
p	54 %	1 %	1 %
$\bar{p}$	73 %	–	–
π^-	20 %	3 %	3 %
π^+	39 %	–	–

Normalization: total number of tracks of the given type

- MVD useful for these tracks
- Strip part more useful at higher momenta
- Pixel part more useful at lower momenta

Comparison between simulations where the decay is handled by EvtGen and Geant4

$$p\bar{p} \to \Xi^-\Xi^+ \to \Lambda\pi^-\bar{\Lambda}\pi^+ \to p\pi^-\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^+$$



Comparison between simulations where the decay is handled by EvtGen and Geant4

EvtGen

- Entire decay chain defined in decay file

Geant4

- Production of primary particles defined in a decay file
- Primary particles defined as stable for EvtGen
- Interesting decay modes set in UserDecayConfig.C

For more details:

https : *//panda − wiki.gsi.de/foswiki/pub/Computing/Minutes*02*May*2017/2.5.2017_*teammeeting.pdf*

Comparison between simulations where the decay is handled by EvtGen and Geant4

$p\bar{p} \to \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \to p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$

	Decay by Geant4	Decay by EvtGen
Number of final state particle tracks	25,897	26,013
Number of tracks with at least one MVD hit	24,766	24,851

- No significant difference, as expected

$p\bar{p} \to \Xi^-\Xi^+ \to \Lambda\pi^-\bar{\Lambda}\pi^+ \to p\pi^-\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^+$

	Decay by Geant4	Decay by EvtGen
Number of Ξ^- tracks with at least one MVD hit	173	0
Number of Ξ^+ tracks with at least one MVD hit	175	0

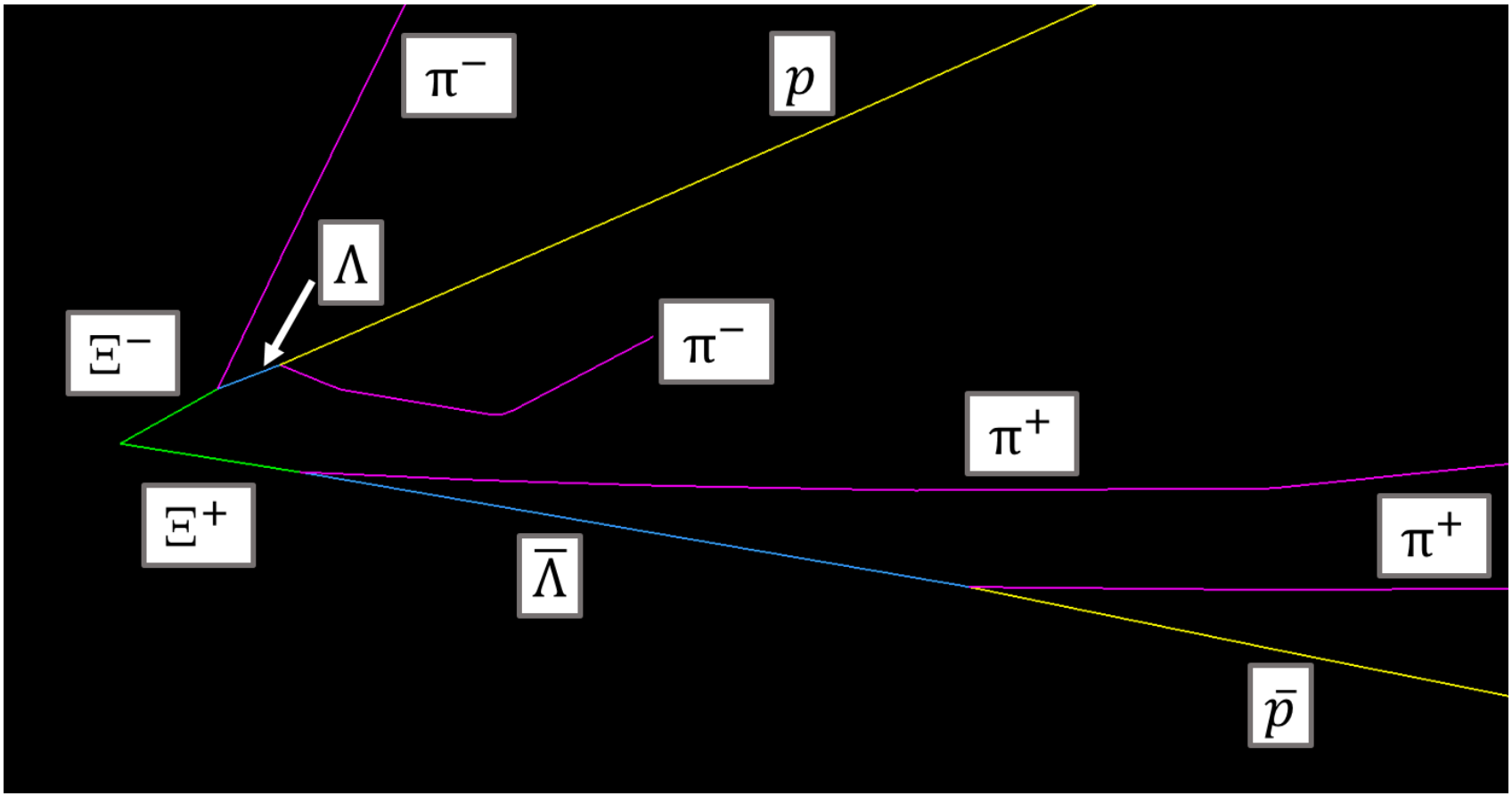
For numbers in this table: no restriction on number of STT hits

- A MC track is obtained if secondaries are decayed by Geant4 but not if they are decayed by EvtGen

Decay handled by Geant4

$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Xi^{-}\Xi^{+} \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^{-}\bar{\Lambda}\pi^{+} \rightarrow p\pi^{-}\pi^{-}\bar{p}\pi^{+}\pi^{+}$

Event Display, 3D view



Outlook

- Analyse Ξ^- events further decaying the particles in Geant4
- Investigate Ω^- events
- Thorough investigation of decay vertex positions
- Investigate usefulness of GEM plates
- Investigate performance of STTCellTrackFinder for Λ ,Ξ^- and Ω^- events

Summary

$\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$ events:

- MVD useful for most events and final state particle tracks
- More final state particle tracks hit MVD pixels at lower beam momenta and MVD strips at higher beam momenta
- SciTil useful for $\sim 1/3$ of events and final state particle tracks at lowest beam momentum but not at higher beam momenta
- π^- tend to spiral in magnetic field at higher beam momenta
  - Spiralling usually confined to less than $1/2$ of STT

Thank you!