

Updates to the Circle Hough Trackfinding Algorithm

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Circle Hough Algorithm

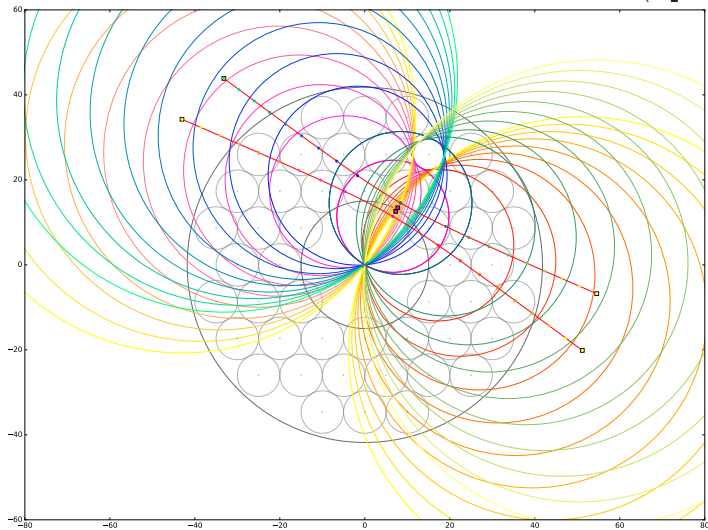
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- CH Features
 - High efficiency
 - Flexibility
 - Applicable to all types of hits in the central detector
 - Robustness/stability
 - Intrinsic parallelism
 - Tuneability: computing vs physics performance
 - Online/offline: same algorithms with different working points
 - Hit association and extraction of track parameters at the same time
 - Information from STT isochrone radius taken into account

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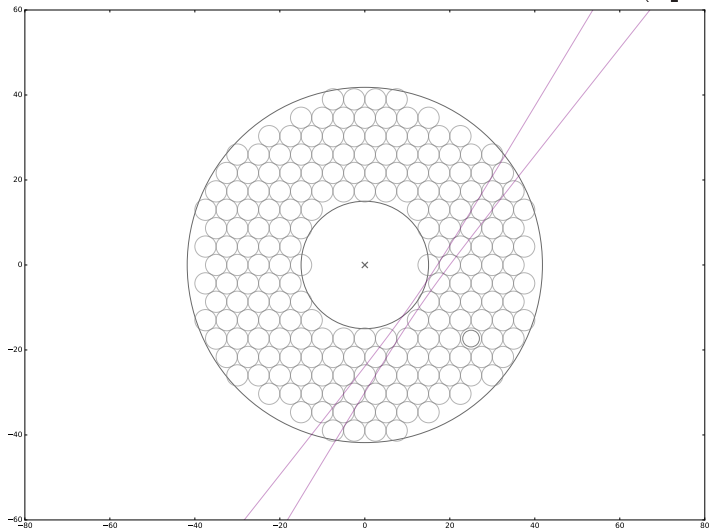
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 - 2 Equation of circle centers known analytically
 - Locus is hyperbola or straight line
 - Accumulate parameters exploiting locus properties (rasterization, analytical intersection)

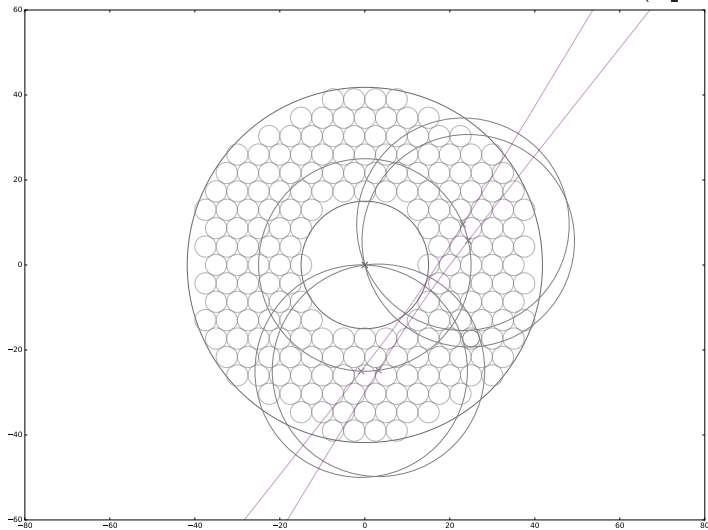


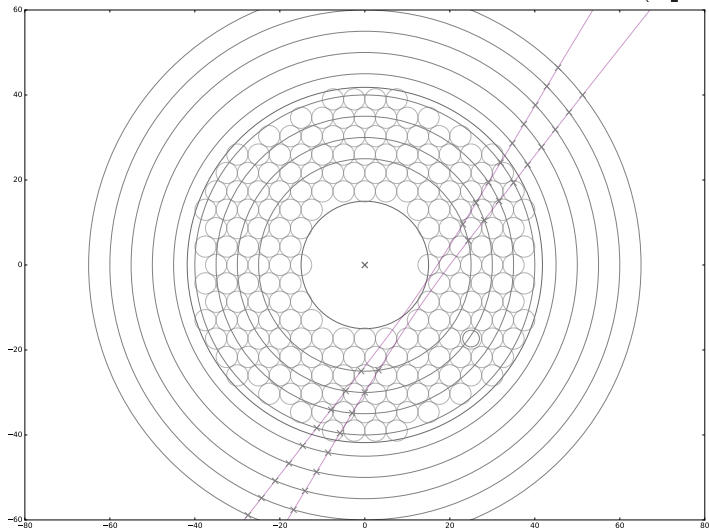
#3: Single Hit CH with ρ/φ Coord.

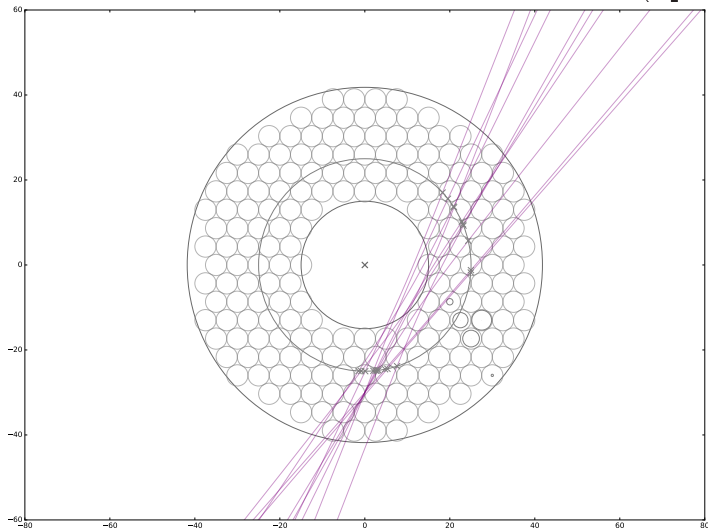
Central idea: use one set of sampling values ($R_0 \dots R_N$) for all hits

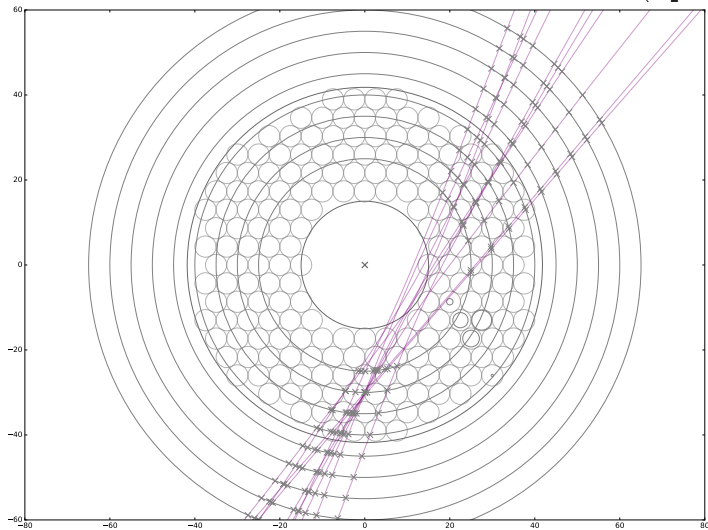
- Use radial coordinates (ρ, φ) of centers
 - Physically meaningful: $\rho \propto p_t$
- Cells of AA in ρ direction coincide with R values
 - Peakfinding greatly simplified
 - Optimal patterns for filling in parallel (memory writes)
- Improve p_t resolution: “zooming in” recursively
 - Use same points in subregion of AA with finer density in φ direction



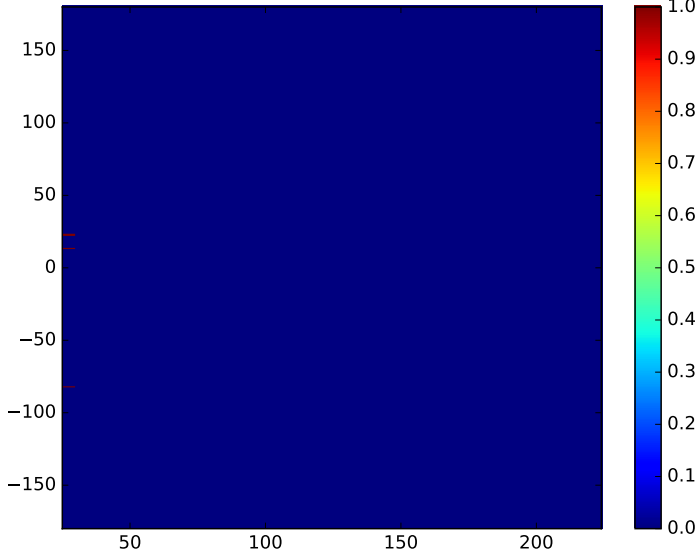




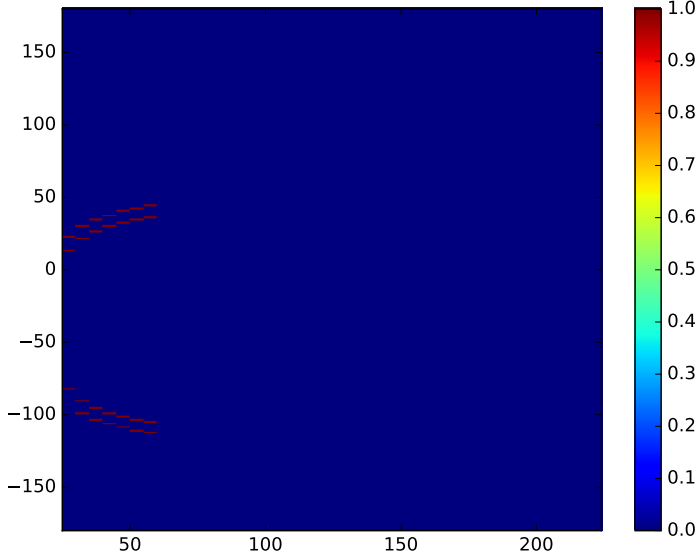




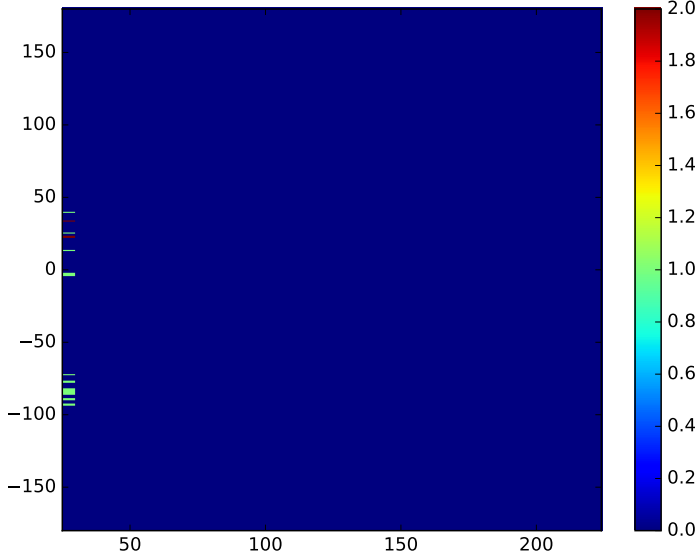
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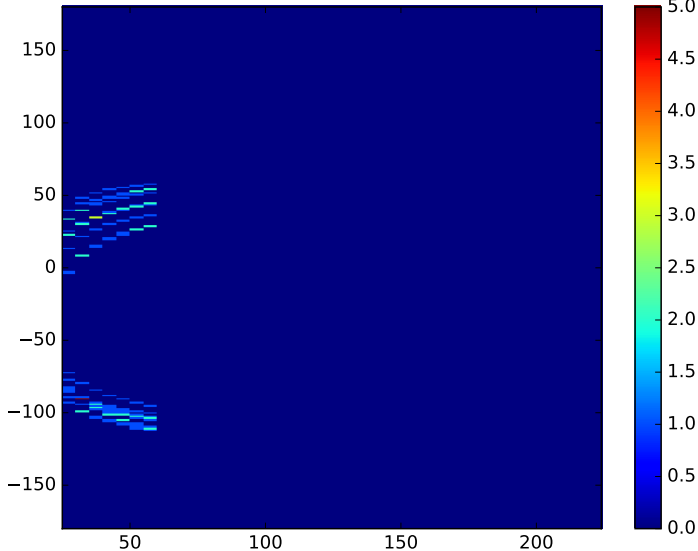
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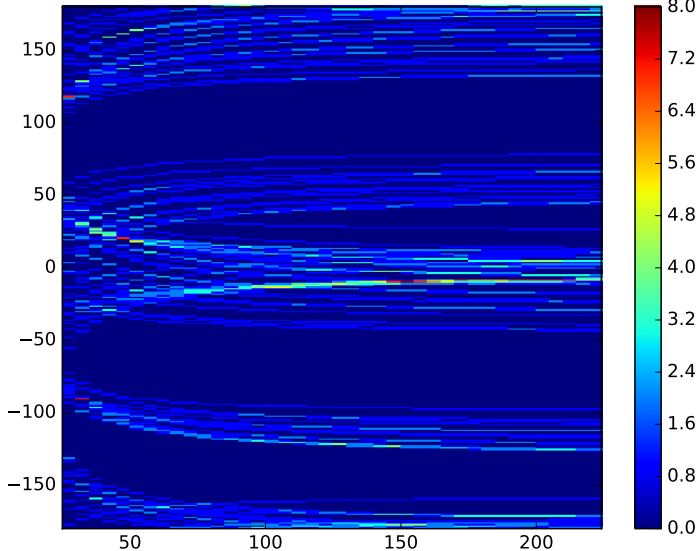
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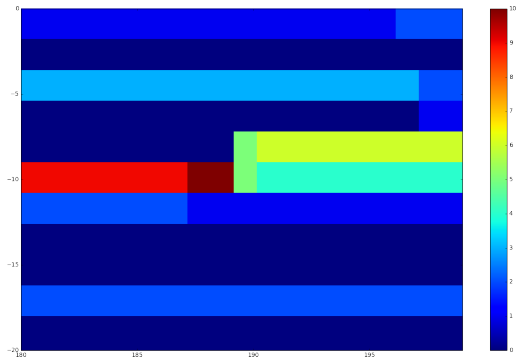
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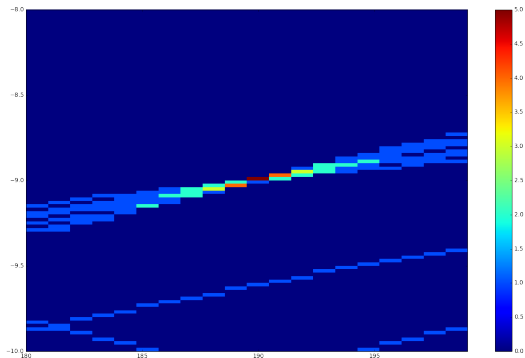
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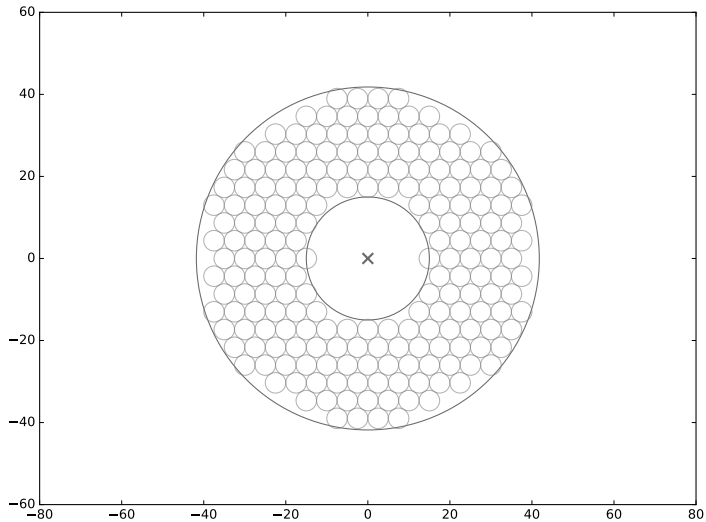
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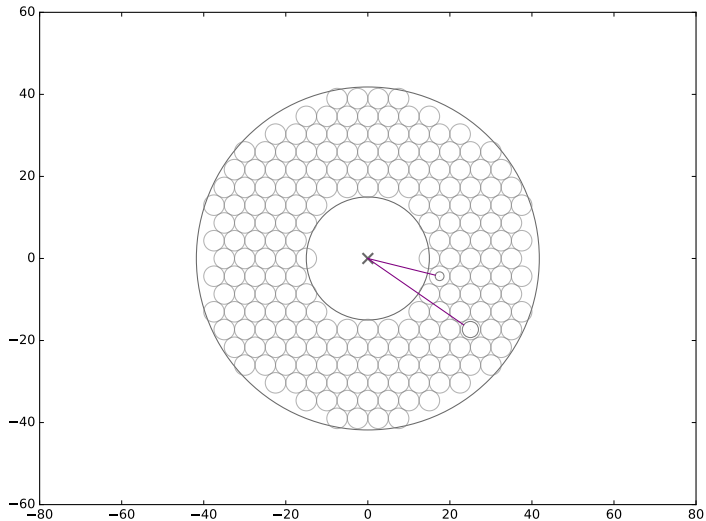
#4: Hit Pair CH

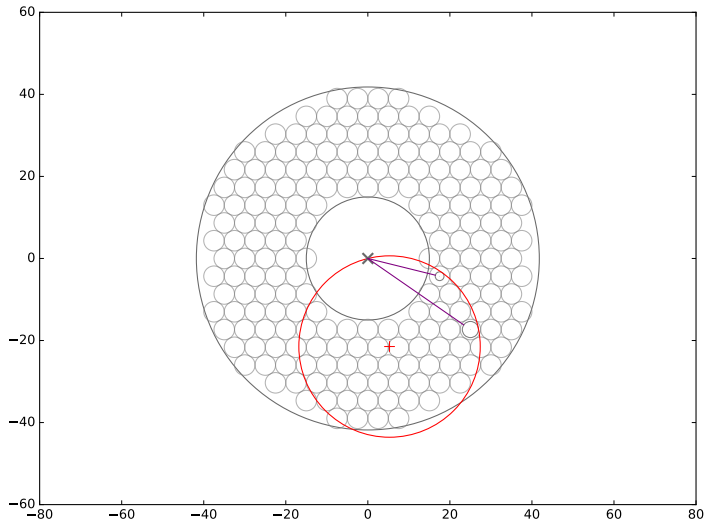
- Find intersections of Hough loci belonging to different hits
- ⇒ Consider directly pairs of hits
- Hough element: primary track compatible with two hits
 - ⇒ Circle passing through IP, tangent to two hits at the same time
 - Explicit analytical solution: problem of Apollonius
 - “Given three circles, find circles tangent to all of them”
 - For primary tracks: one of the circles is IP (Apollonius PCC)

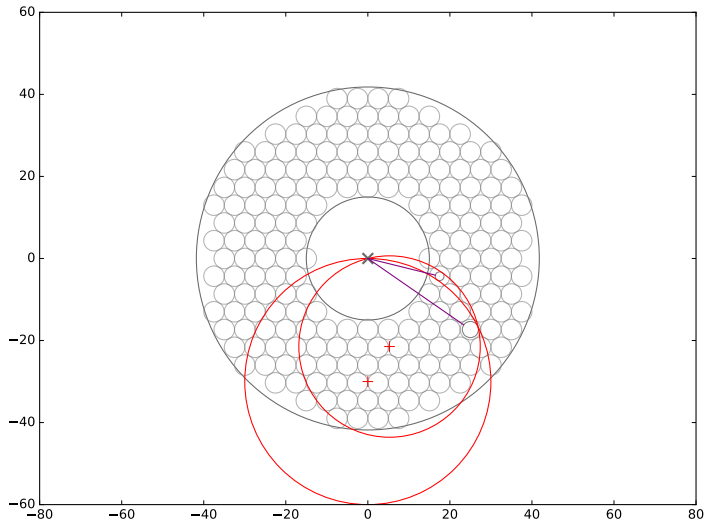
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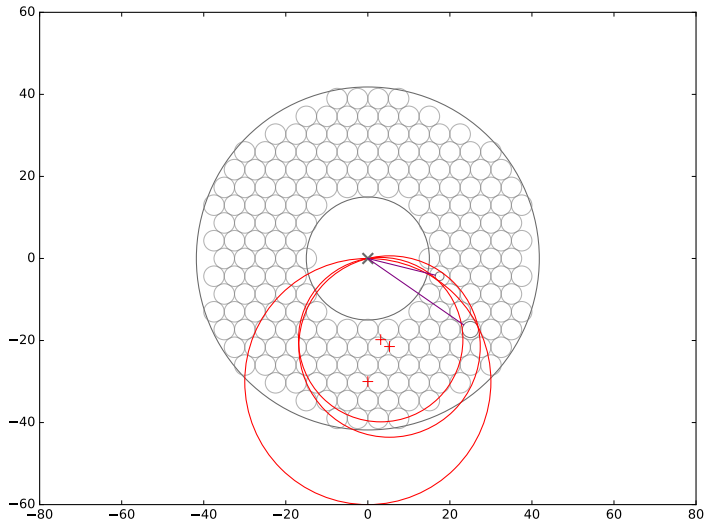
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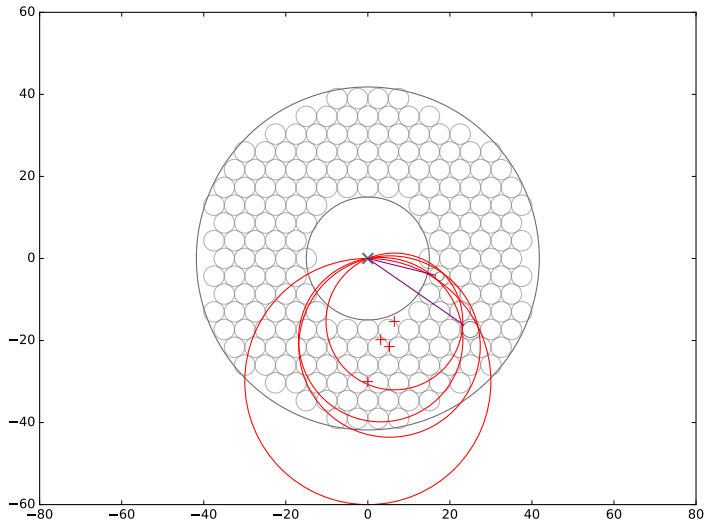




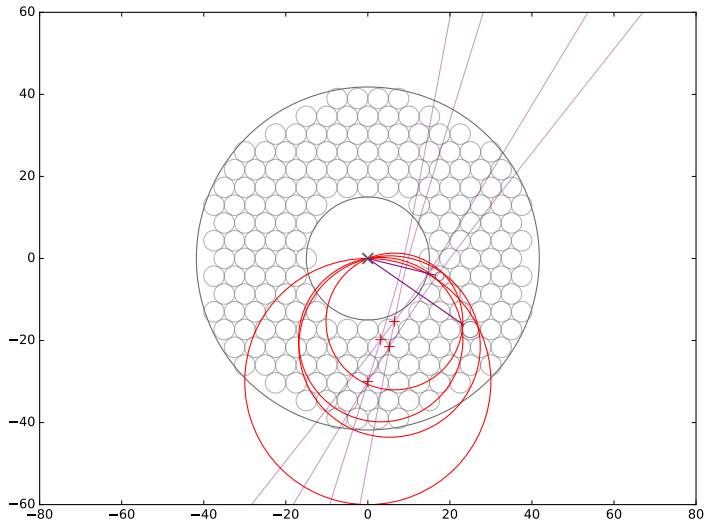
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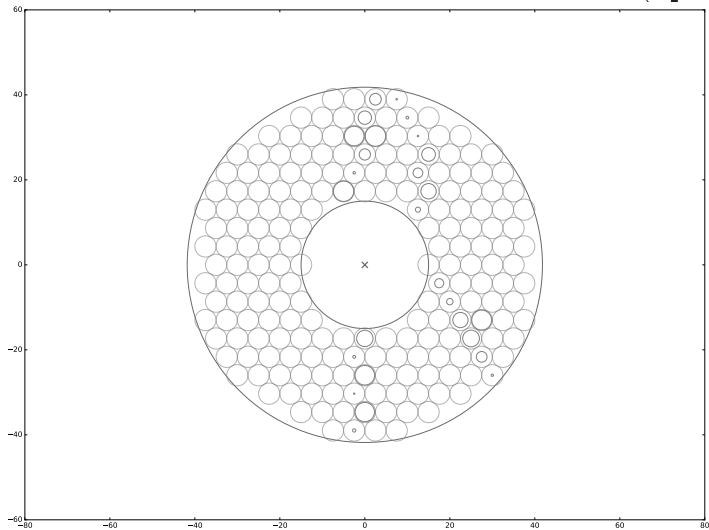
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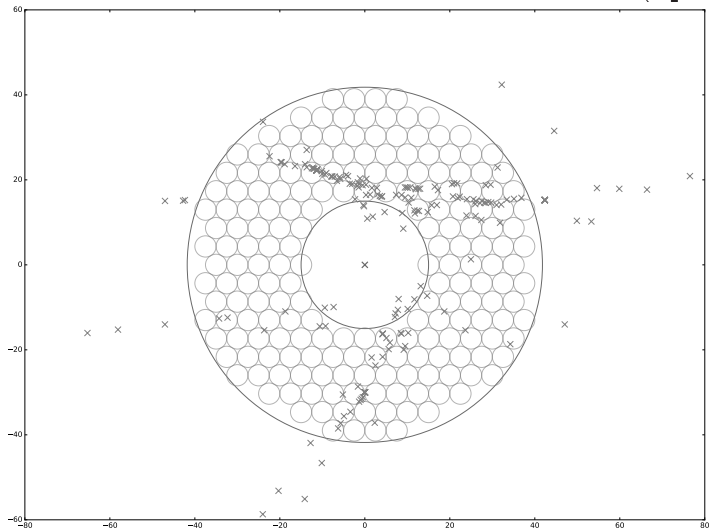
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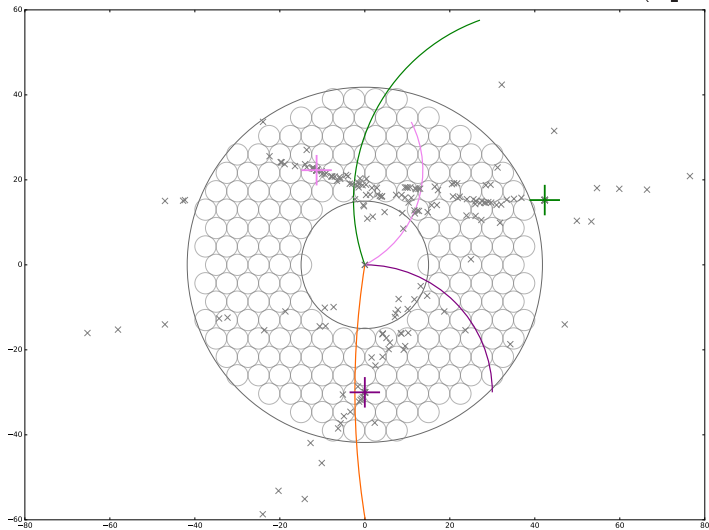
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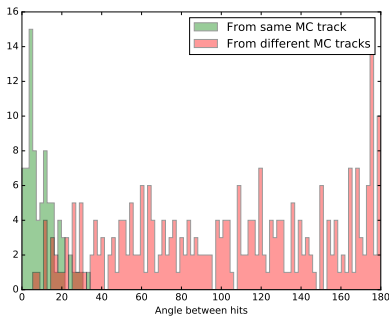
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- n hits $\implies n(n - 1)/2$ hit pairs: reduce combinatorics
- Simple criterion: $\Delta\varphi$ between hits in a pair
- Threshold cut to remove spurious pairs
 - Optimize wrt track coverage



- Identify most likely track parameters
- Extract hit information from Hough elements in peak region
- Calculate track parameters from coordinates of peak region
- (ρ, φ) AA: 2D peakfinding simplified
 - Threshold + nearest bins in 2D
- Separate dimensions: consecutive 1D AA + peakfinding
 - 1 1D peakfinding (φ)
 - 2 1D peakfinding (ρ)
- Fancier data structures + clustering algorithms
 - Clustering of points in 2D space (no AA)
 - 2D space-partitioning binary trees (k -d trees, quadtrees)
 - Range search (critical radius/density, DBSCAN, ...)

- Summary
 - 4 main solutions under examination
 - Work in progress: preliminary analysis with PandaRoot hits to compare performance in prototype stage
- Outlook
 - Physics performance: detailed analysis with tracking Q&A in PandaRoot
 - Computing performance: optimized version
 - C++ with OpenACC (CPU/multicore/GPU)
 - CUDA (GPU)
 - Final result: complete parameter analysis in terms of computing requirements vs accuracy