# Towards Realistic Hyperon Reconstruction using Deep Learning in the PANDA Experiment

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#### Motivation

How well can machine learning be used for the purpose of track reconstruction? Most importantly, reconstructing

- Low momentum tracks, and
- with displaced vertices

These questions are answered in Part II of my doctoral thesis [1].

[1] A. Akram, Towards Realistic Hyperon Reconstruction in PANDA: From Tracking with Machine Learning to Interactions with Residual Gas, Doctoral Thesis, Uppsala University, Uppsala (2023)

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# PANDA Experiment at FAIR

- Future Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research (FAIR) in Darmstadt, Germany.
- PANDA is a general-purpose fixed target experiment with almost  $4\pi$  coverage.
- Antiproton beam: 1.5 GeV/c to 15 GeV/c from High Energy Storage Ring (HESR).
- Interaction rate: up to 20 MHz.



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### The PANDA Detector



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# Straw Tube Tracker (STT)

- 4224 straw tubes
- 15 19 axial layers (green)
- 8 skewed layers  $(\pm 2.9^{\circ})$  (red and blue)
- $\bullet\,$  Radial coverage: 15 cm to 41.8 cm
- $\bullet\,$  Longitudinal coverage: 150 cm
- The magnetic file is  $\vec{B} = 2$  T (Solenoid)



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# What is the Challenge?

Focus on the  $r\phi\mbox{-plane}$  of the STT detector:

- Detector geometry:
  - straight and skewed tubes
  - hexagonal arrangement of straw tubes
- Track topology:
  - spiralling
  - overlapping
  - ► crossing
- $\Rightarrow$  Use deep learning for track reconstruction



# How to Apply Deep Learning?

- Data Representation
  - ▶ Image Representation (Fixed Grid)
  - ▶ Point-cloud Representation (Hit Pairs, Hit Sequences, Hit Graphs)
- Deep Learning Tasks
  - Classification (Supervised Learning)
  - Clustering (Unsupervised Learning)
- Deep Learning Models
  - ▶ Depends on what we have decided above: DNNs, RNNs, CNNs, GNNs, etc.

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The strategy is to use two pipelines:

- Deep Learning (DL) pipeline
  - A standard approach, tested on **muons**  $(\mu^{\pm})$
- Geometric Deep Learning (GDL) pipeline
  - A more elaborate approach was first tested with **muons**  $(\mu^{\pm})$  and then with **hyperons**

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 $\Rightarrow$  Track evaluation

# The Pipeline



[1] Image credited to Exa.TrkX-L2IT Collaboration.

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#### Track Evaluation

 $\epsilon_{\rm phys}$  is the efficiency considering both detector and algorithm:

$$\epsilon_{\rm phys} = \frac{N_{particles} ({\rm selected, matched})}{N_{particles} ({\rm selected})}$$

 $\epsilon_{\rm tech.}$  is the efficiency of algorithm itself:

$$\epsilon_{\text{tech.}} = \frac{N_{particles} (\text{selected, reconstructable, matched})}{N_{particles} (\text{selected, reconstructable})}$$

Track purity measures the accuracy of a reconstructed track in matching a particle:

$$Purity = \frac{N_{tracks}(selected, matched)}{N_{tracks}(selected)} \equiv 1 - Ghost Rate$$
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### Muon Reconstruction in STT

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### Data Generation

- Five  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pairs per event using a *Box Generator*
- $\bullet~100~{\rm MeV/c}-1.5~{\rm GeV/c}$
- In total,  $10^5$  events are generated
- Track reconstruction in  $r\phi$ -plane of STT, restricted to straight sections
- DL and GDL pipelines for muons



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# Track Evaluation (I)

Using the criteria of  $N_t \ge 7, N_r \ge 5$  and MF > 50%, the results are

	$\epsilon_{phys.}$ [%]	$\epsilon_{tech.}$ [%]	GR [%]	CR [%]
Deep Learning	$76.3\pm0.3$	$77.2\pm0.3$	$3.64\pm0.33$	$17.2 \pm 0.1$
Geometric Deep Learning	$91.0\pm0.3$	$92.6\pm0.3$	$1.25\pm0.32$	$11.5 \pm 0.1$

Table: Tracking efficiencies, ghost rate (GR), clone rate (CR).

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 $\Rightarrow$  A clear increase in performance with Geometric Deep Learning!

# Track Evaluation (II): Tracking Efficiencies vs Transverse Momentum



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### Track Evaluation (II): Tracking Efficiencies vs Azimuthal Angle



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# Tracking Efficiency Loss



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### Hyperon Reconstruction in STT

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### **Data** Generation

- $\bar{p}p \to \bar{\Lambda}\Lambda \to \bar{p}\pi^+p\pi^-$  events simulated with EvtGen at  $p_{beam} = 1.642 \text{ GeV/c}$
- In total,  $10^5$  events are generated
- On average, three tracks per event  $\rightarrow \bar{p}$ emitted at small angles, escapes STT
- Final state particles are
  - ▶ low  $p_t$  hadrons such as  $p, \bar{p}$  and  $\pi^{\pm}$
  - ▶ with secondary decay vertices
- Same GDL pipeline as for muons



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Using the criteria of  $N_t \ge 7$ ,  $N_r \ge 5$  and MF > 50%, the results are

	$\epsilon_{phys.}$ [%]	$\epsilon_{tech.}$ [%]	$\mathrm{GR}\ [\%]$	CR [%]
Geometric Deep Learning	$89.6\pm0.5$	$97.1 \pm 0.6$	$0.5\pm0.6$	$4.9 \pm 0.1$

Table: Tracking efficiencies, ghost rate (GR), clone rate (CR).

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# Track Evaluation (II)



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#### Conclusions

- Interaction Network (GDL) is proven to be better than the Dense Network (DL).
- Pion track efficiency > 95% for  $p_t > 0.05 \text{ GeV/c}$
- Proton track efficiency > 95% for  $p_t > 0.1 \text{ GeV/c}$ .
- Track efficiency > 90% in the full vertex position range considered *i.e.* up to  $d_0 = 14$  cm.

Heavier hyperons,  $\Xi^-$  and  $\Omega^-$ , decay into  $\Lambda$  hyperons with  $d_0 < 15$  cm [1].

[1] J. Regina, Time for Hyperons: Development of Software Tools for Reconstructing Hyperons at PANDA and HADES, Doctoral Thesis, Uppsala University, Uppsala (2021)

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# Pipeline: Graph Construction

Graph representation of tracks (*i.e.* a hit graph) in terms of nodes and edges:

- *node*: hit position of a particle
- *edge*: a connection between two hits

A heuristic method for layer-wise edge construction in adjacent sectors:

- *input graphs*: contain True & False edges
- ground truth: contain only True edges



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### Pipeline: Edge Classification



 $\Rightarrow$  Predicted Graphs: Weighted graphs with edge score/probability.

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#### Pipeline: Track Formation



 $\Rightarrow$  Track Candidates: Cluster hits of weighted graphs using the DBSCAN

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# Track Evaluation (II)

A particle is **matched** to a reconstructed track if more than

- 50% of the hits in the reconstructed track belong to the same true particle, and
- 50% of the hits in the matched true particle are found in the reconstructed tracks.

This is known as a two-way matching scheme with a matching fraction (MF) > 50%.



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# Track Evaluation (IV)

The transverse momentum  $(p_t)$ , lab polar angle of the track  $(\theta)$ , and azimuthal angle of the track  $(\phi)$  are defined as follows:

$$p_t = \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2}$$
  

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(p_t, p_z)$$
  

$$\phi = \tan^{-1}(p_y, p_x)$$

and the radial distance  $(d_0)$  between the interaction point and the decay vertex:

$$d_0 = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2}$$

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