## VXD Hit Recovery

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# Project Goals (to check my own understanding)



Example: pion from  $K_S$  decays between layer 3 & 4, not found by VXD track finder

- Current tracking requires particle can be found stand-alone in VXD for VXD hits to be used
- But, e.g., K<sub>S</sub> can decay inside VXD, leaving some VXD hits without enough to find as a standalone track
- Idea for this project is to create a module to take CDC-only tracks and extrapolate back into VXD, create new track adding compatible VXD hits

### Work

- Have done some work building a module, to familiarize myself with the B2 software and tracking objects, & start on simple implementation
- Started by finding CDC-only reco'd tracks w/MC hits in VXD
- Added VXD hits to track and refit
  - Just so can obtain StoreArray objects, find hits, do some basic work with tracks, and some comparison point
- Next, took above tracks (w/o MC hits), extrapolated from last CDC-hit to cylinder w/radius of SVD layers, & searched for hits:
  - Use genfit::TrackRep::extrapolateToCylinder for extrap.
  - $\bullet\,$  Start with layer 6 v-clusters, find one closest in z to extrapolated position, and within one module width in x/y
  - Search for nearest (in x/y) u-cluster on same sensor
  - If a u and v found, add them to the track, repeat for other layers
    Currently, only for SVD layers
- All of the above procedure done on the GenFitterModule tracks
  - Clone, add hits, refit (code taken from GenFitter, passing them through for another round of fitting wasn't working for me)

# Example output: $B^{\pm} ightarrow DK^{\pm}$ , $D^0 ightarrow K_S \pi^+ \pi^-$



True Production Position: (x, y, z) = (1.29, 4.45, 3.68) cm CDC-only extrapolated position: (x, y, z) = (1.44, 4.67, 3.29) cm VXD+CDC extrap'd position: (x, y, z) = (1.27, 4.45, 3.70) cm

- Run the SVD hit adder on evtgen events with one  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow DK^{\pm}$ ,  $D^{0} \rightarrow K_{S}\pi^{+}\pi^{-}$  (a mode for  $\phi_{3}$ )
- Example full event with K<sub>S</sub> decaying on layer 3, giving pion without a VXD track, but with recoverable hits
- In this case, all clusters recovered (based on associated MC particle) with no additional clusters
- For both the CDC-only and VXD+CDC track, try to extrapolate to known production point, ie with genfit::TrackRep::extrapolateToPoint

## Further work/questions

#### • Occasionally, I get refit failures

- The example shown was hand-picked
- Should be producing genfit::TrackCand and passing back to GenFitter module anyway?
- Anyway, need to be smarter with the hit selection, can get an extra hit layer from random hit on module far from extrap. point
- Also, does there exist a way to test if a hit has already been used in a track?
- Cylinder extrapolation okay for main barrel modules, but to slant modules?
  - Requires adding something like a genfit::TrackRep::extrapolateToCone?
- Further down the road, ultimately, want answer to questions:
  - How often do we have CDC-only tracks w/VXD hits in MC?
  - Given a module like that presented, how often do we recover these hits?
  - How often do we add spurious hits?
  - Some test cases for the module:  $K_S$  resolution or similar?