

A TRACK FINDER ALGORITHM BASED ON GNN FOR THE MEG II EXPERIMENT

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Introduction

The MEG II experiment is searching for the forbidden $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ decay with record sensitivity. Central for the experiment success is the e^+ spectrometer, composed of a Cylindrical Drift Chamber (CDCH), a pixelated timing layer (pTC) and a superconducting magnet.

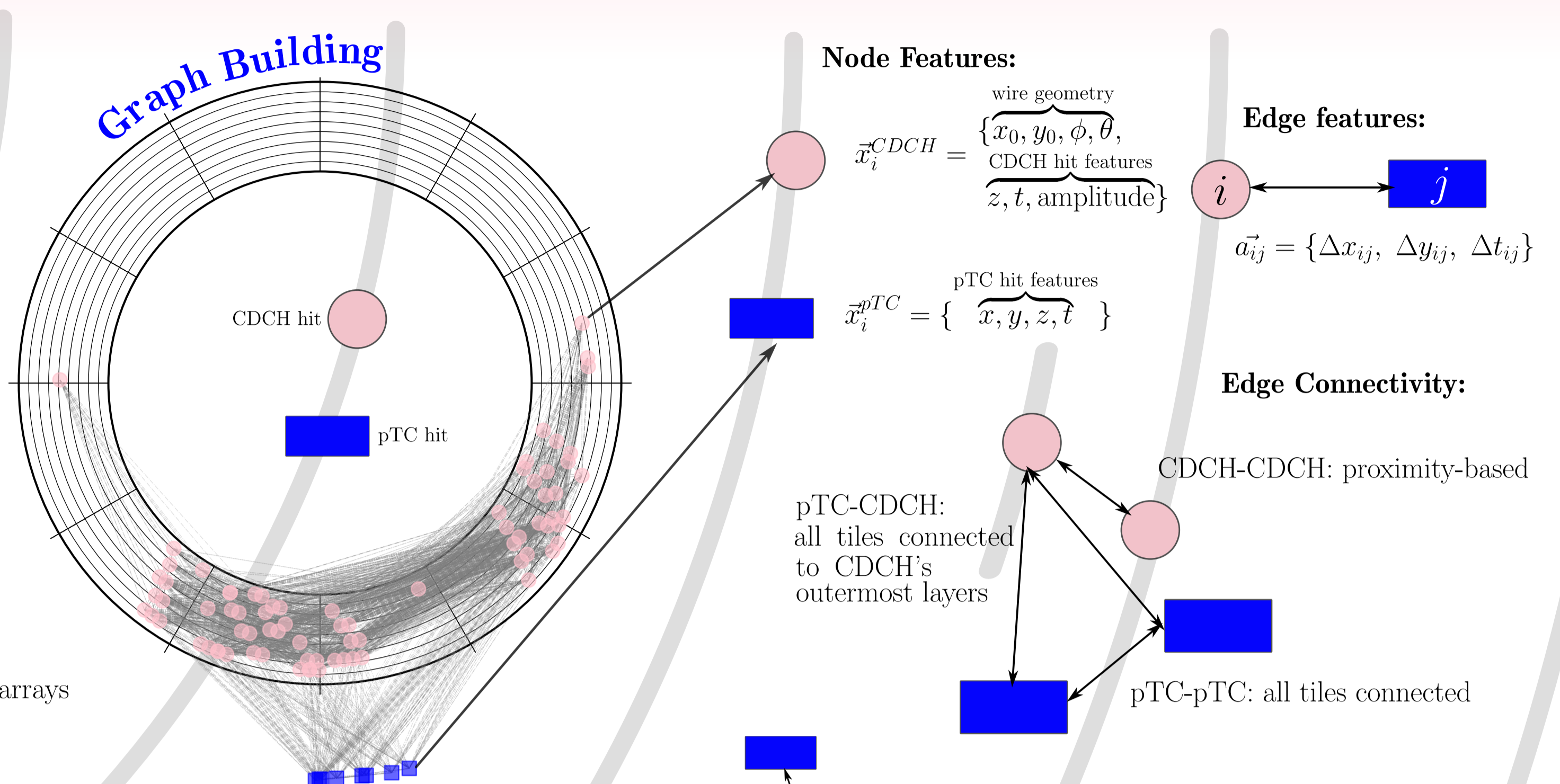
We discuss the implementation of a Graph Neural Network (GNN) classifier capable of improving the MEG II track finder, a track following algorithm with Kalman Filter, strongly reducing pile-up inefficiencies.

The CDCH:

- Single volume, ultra-light drift chamber
- 1728 sense wires in 9 concentric layers
- Full stereo geometry

The pTC:

- 512 scintillating tiles ($12 \times 4 \times 0.5 \text{ cm}^3$) readout with SiPM arrays
- $\sigma_{t_e} \approx 80 \text{ ps}$ for a single tile



GNN Architecture for MEG II

Heterogeneous Graph:

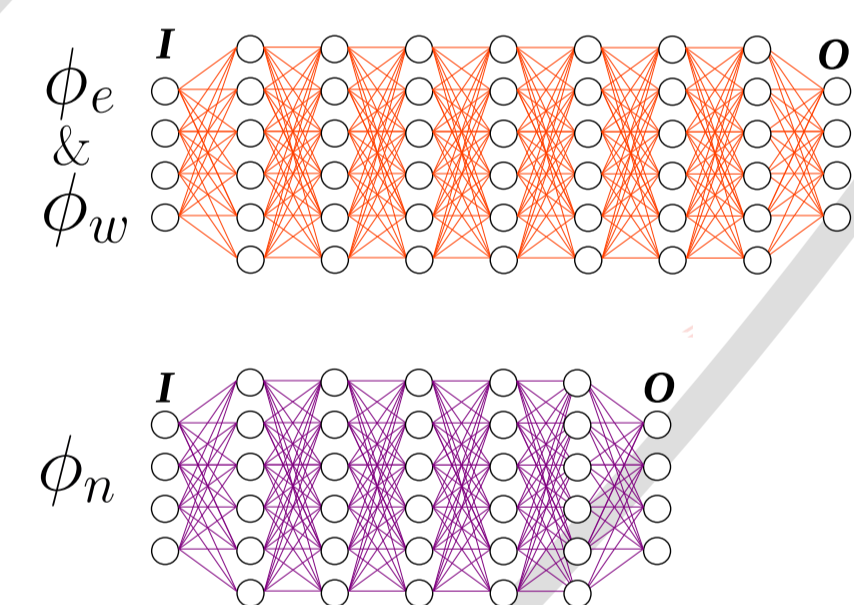
Multiple detector types (pTC, CDCH) with different features.

Three MLP Networks:

- ϕ_e : Edge update (4 networks)
- ϕ_n : Node representation (2 networks)
- ϕ_w : Classification (2 networks)

Edge representation is updated with inputs from the connected nodes i and j

Node representation is modified with inputs from all neighbors N

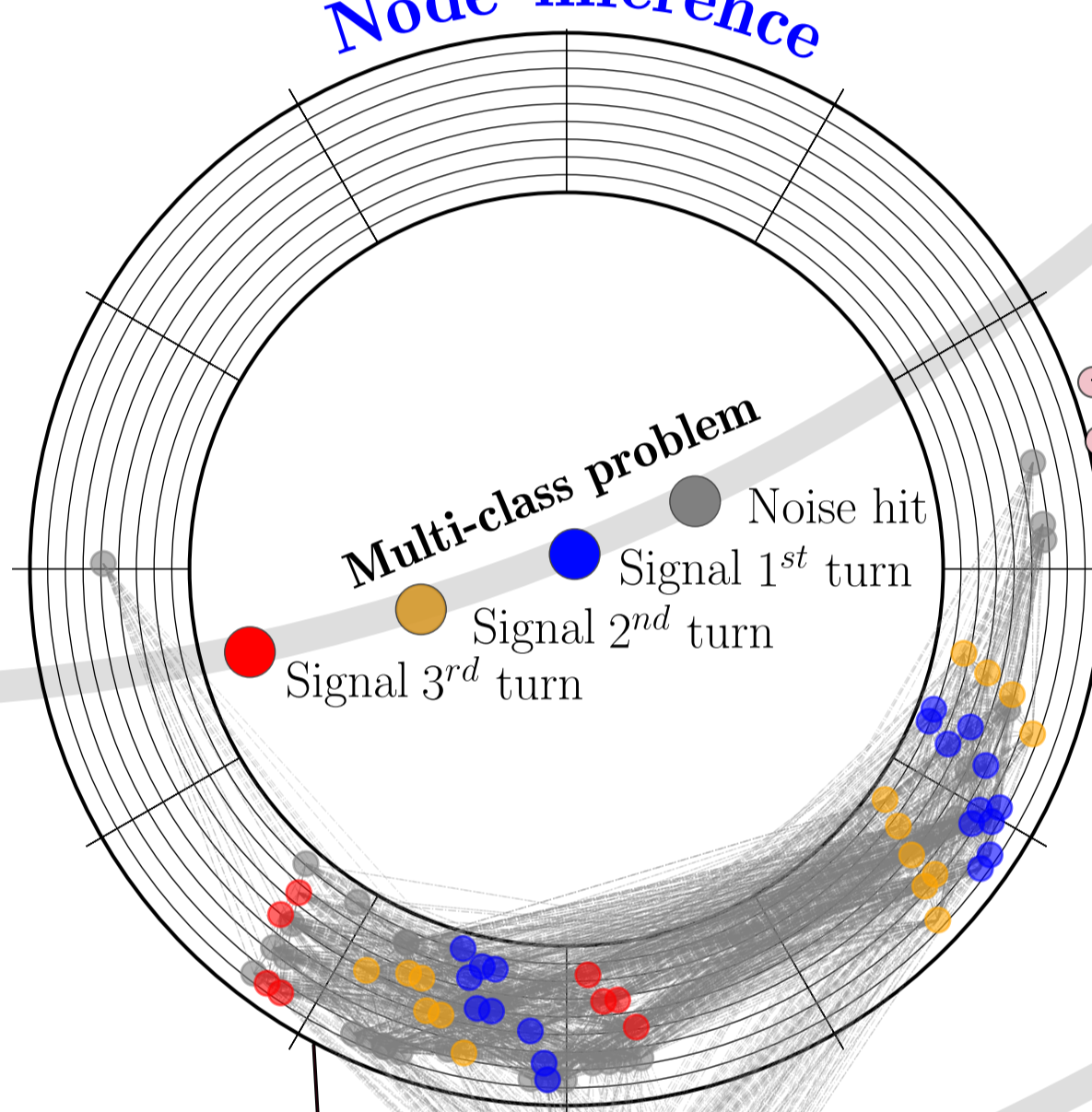


Network Architecture:

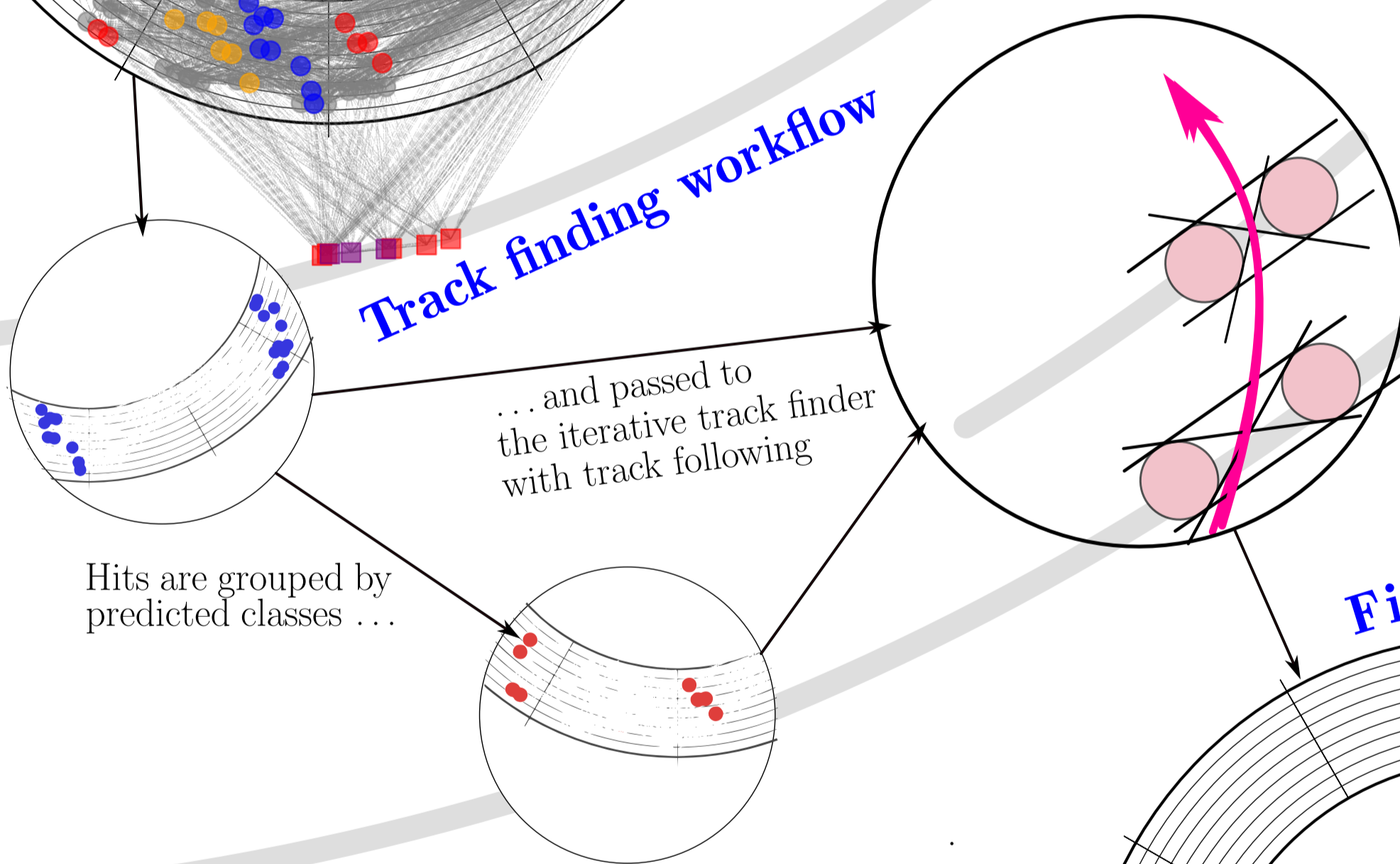
- ϕ_e & ϕ_w : 7 fully con
- ϕ_n : 5 fully connected
- 75 nodes per layer
- ReLU activation +
- Message passing up
- Built with PyTorch and pytorch-geometric library

- GNN integrated in the MEG II framework (C++ based) with ONNX

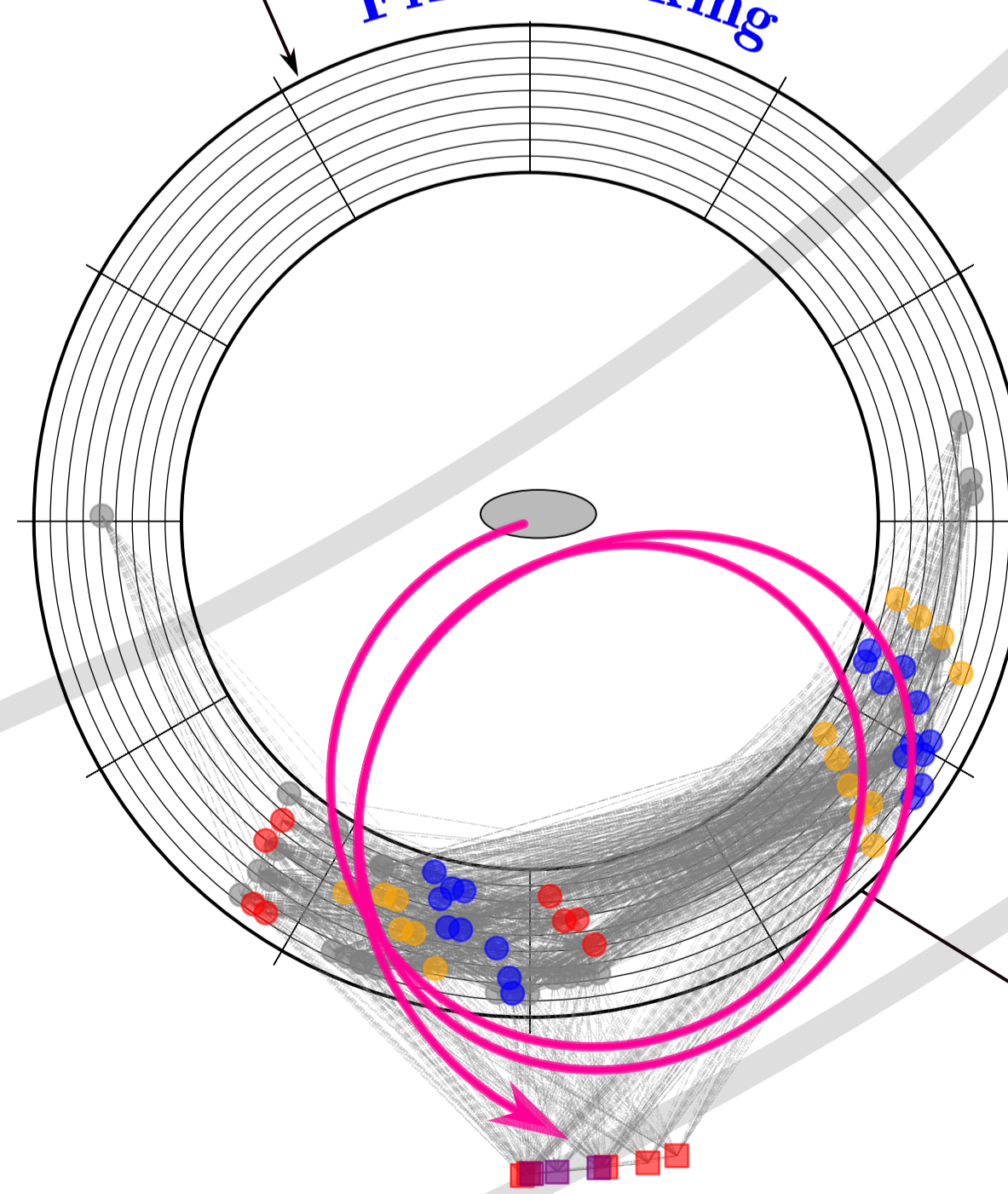
Node inference



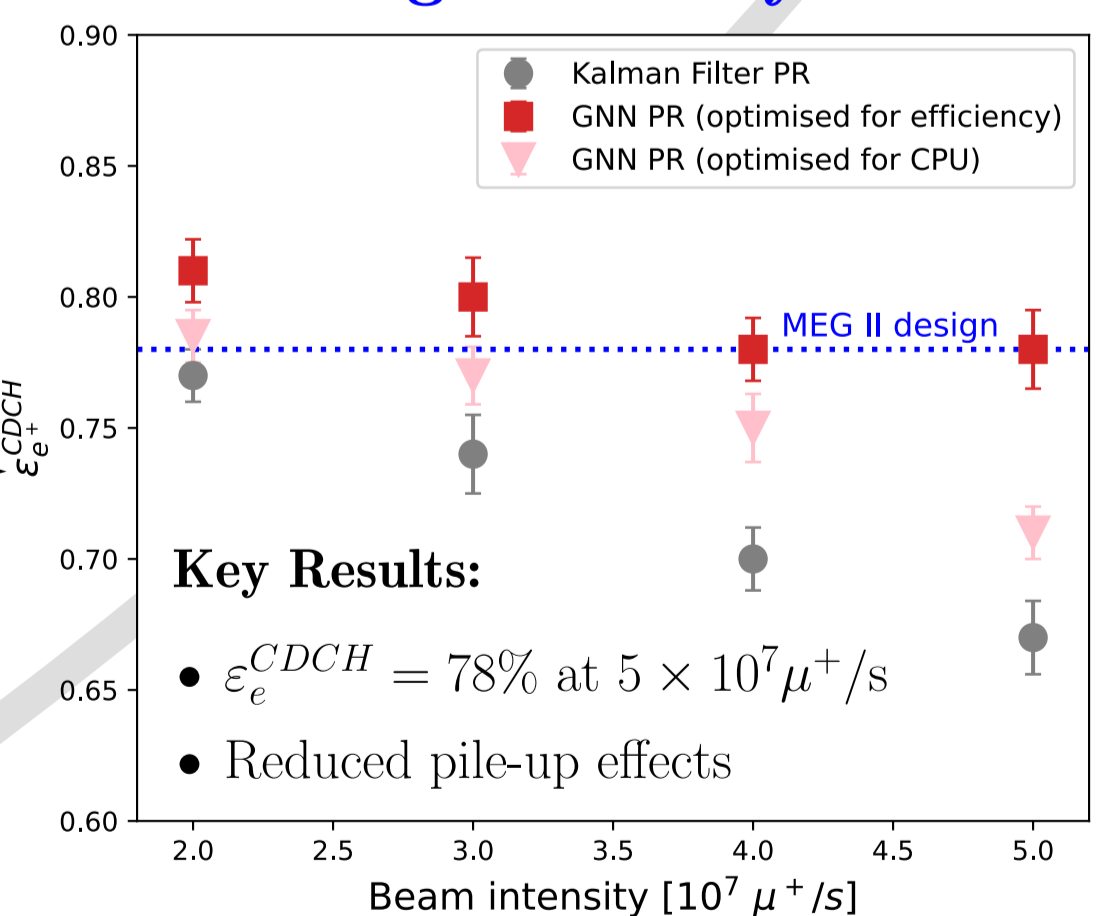
Track finding workflow



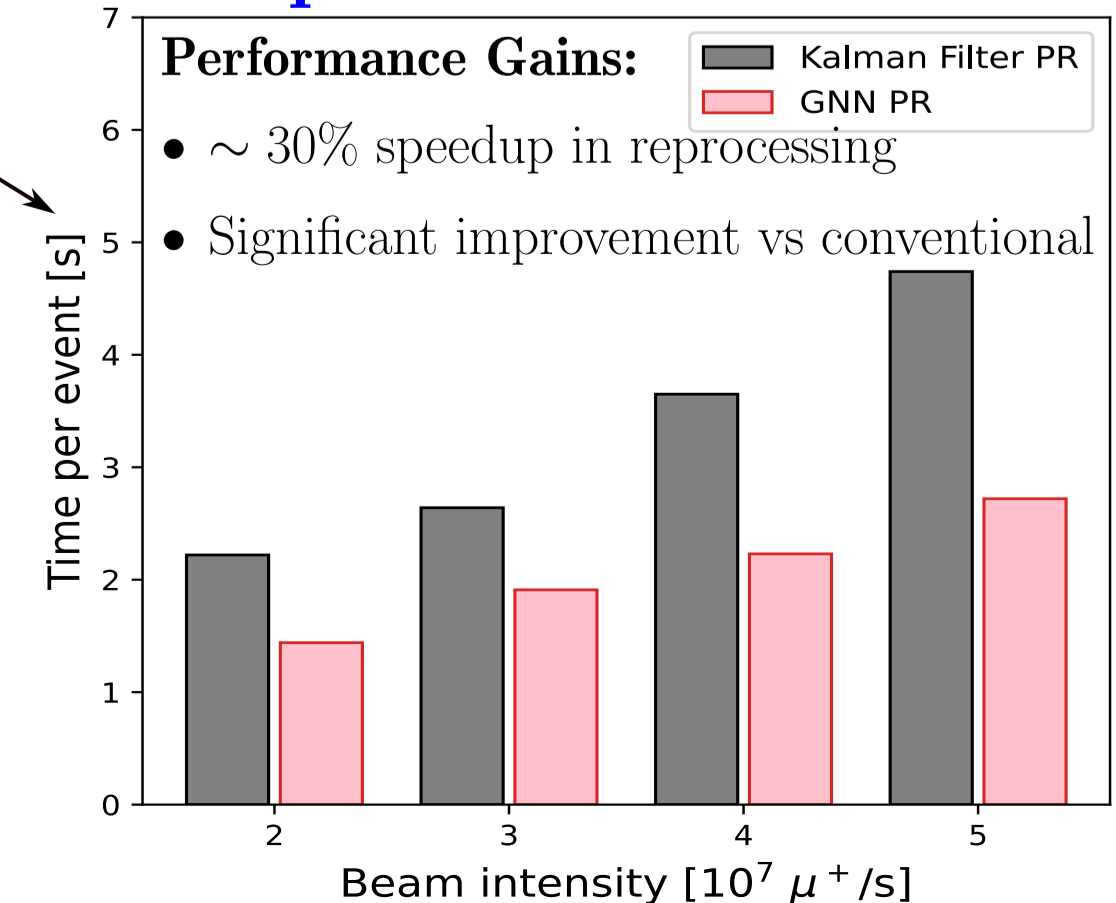
Final tracking



Tracking Efficiency Results



Computational Performance



Training Details

Dataset:

- $\gtrsim 100\text{k}$ events of real data collected at $5 \times 10^7 \mu^+/\text{s}$ beam intensity
- Supervised learning: labeling via conventional reconstruction
- Skip events with zero tracks to avoid biases

Validation

- Validation dataset: 20k events at $5 \times 10^7 \mu^+/\text{s}$
- $\sim 70\%$ of noise hits are correctly discarded
- $> 90\%$ of true signal hits are correctly forwarded to the next stage
- Accuracy around 85%–90% over all categories

Predicted Labels	True Labels				
	Noise	Turn1	Turn2	Turn3	Turn4
Noise	66.71%	6.73%	7.48%	7.75%	7.56%
Signal	33.29%	93.27%	92.52%	92.25%	92.44%