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Iterative Tracking

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Goal of the page

The reader of the page should become familiar with the iterative tracking approach, and be able to add tracking steps in the whole tracking chain.

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Introduction

The iterative tracking approach runs the standard CTF tracking algorithm multiple times. At each iteration, the hits used by previous iterations are removed from consideration and the CTF tracking algorithm is run again with progressively looser settings. The presentations below trace the development of the iterative tracking approach:

[Tracking meeting 23 may 2007](#)

[PFlow meeting 05 july 2007](#)

[Tracking meeting 01 august 2007](#)

[CMS.ParticleFlow meeting 13 september 2007](#)

[Tracking meeting 31 january 2008](#)

[Tracking meeting 05 february 2008](#)

[Tracking meeting 14 february 2008](#)

The results of the iterative tracking are summarized in the internal note [2007/065](#)

Summary of the current iterative steps

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The 4_2_X default tracking in CMS contains 6 iterations, labeled 0 through 5. The main distinction between the iterations is the track seeding algorithm which is shown in the table below.

Iteration	Seeding Layers	pT cut (GeV)	d0 cut (cm)	z0 cut
Zero	pixel triplets	0.8	0.2	3.0
1	pixel pairs	0.6	0.05	0.2cm*
2	pixel triplets	0.075	0.2	3.3
3	Triplets: pixel, TIB1,2, TID/TEC ring 1,2	0.25-0.35	2.0	10.0
4	Pairs: TIB1,2 & TID/TEC ring 1,2	0.5	2.0	12.0
5	Pairs: TOB1,2 & TEC ring 5	0.6	6.0	30.0

In the table, d0 and z0 refer to the transverse and longitudinal impact parameters of seeds with respect to the nominal interaction point. The * indicates the impact parameter with respect to a pixel vertex. Using triplet seeding is much faster and has a lower fake rate than pairs. Therefore, pixel triplet seeding is run first (iteration 0), followed by pixel pairs (iteration 1) for additional efficiency. Iteration 2 uses pixel triplets like iteration 0 but searches for very low momentum tracks. Iteration 3 uses pixels and strip triplets to find tracks which miss a pixel layer and also tracks which may decay within a couple of cm of the production vertex. Iterations 4 and 5 do not use pixels to seed and are designed to find tracks which are significantly displaced from the beam line or tracks which do not leave sufficient pixel hits to be found in the earlier iterations. Other differences between iterations during track building include the minimum number of hits (3 for iterations 0-3, 6 for iteration 4, and 6 for iterations 4-5), the number of lost hits (1 for iterations 0-2 and 0 for iterations 3-5).

The final cleaning stage is also different. The early steps have stricter requirements on tracks originating from the production vertex while the later steps have stricter requirements on the track quality. Details will eventually be found in the tracking note but for now they can be found in the Very Large Impact Parameter Track Reconstruction note [or](#) by looking in the configuration steps which are linked in the table above and annotated more below.

Usage of the algorithm

In each tracking iteration the user must:

- Create a new cluster collection by removing the clusters used in the previous track collections

e.g.

```
firstfilter = cms.EDFilter("QualityFilter", # Selecting tracks from the previous iteration
    TrackQuality = cms.string('highPurity'), # Just take the highPurity ones
    recTracks = cms.InputTag("preMergingFirstStepTracksWithQuality")
)
secClusters = cms.EDFilter("TrackClusterRemover",
    oldClusterRemovalInfo = cms.InputTag("newClusters"), # clusters used in the previous iteration
    trajectories = cms.InputTag("firstfilter"), # trajectories of the previous iteration
    pixelClusters = cms.InputTag("newClusters"), # pixel clusters used in the previous iteration
    stripClusters = cms.InputTag("newClusters"), # strip clusters used in the previous iteration
    Common = cms.PSet(
        maxChi2 = cms.double(30.0)
    )
)
```

- Create new pixel and strip collections with the new cluster collection

e.g.

```
import CMS.RecoLocalTracker.SiPixelRecHits.SiPixelRecHits_cfi
secPixelRecHits = CMS.RecoLocalTracker.SiPixelRecHits.SiPixelRecHits_cfi.siPixelRecHits.clone(
    src = 'secClusters'
)
import CMS.RecoLocalTracker.SiStripRecHitConverter.SiStripRecHitConverter_cfi
secStripRecHits = CMS.RecoLocalTracker.SiStripRecHitConverter.SiStripRecHitConverter_cfi.siStripM
ClusterProducer = 'secClusters'
)
```

- Run the new tracking algorithm with the new cluster and hit collections.
- The new hit and cluster collection must be put in the seeding

e.g.

```
import RecoTracker.TkSeedingLayers.PixelLayerTriplets_cfi
seclayertriplets = RecoTracker.TkSeedingLayers.PixelLayerTriplets_cfi.pixellayertriplets.clone(
    ComponentName = 'SecLayerTriplets'
)
seclayertriplets.BPix.HitProducer = 'secPixelRecHits'
seclayertriplets.FPix.HitProducer = 'secPixelRecHits'
```

- in the measurement tracker

e.g.

```

import RecoTracker.MeasurementDet.MeasurementTrackerESProducer_cfi
secMeasurementTracker = RecoTracker.MeasurementDet.MeasurementTrackerESProducer_cfi.MeasurementTrackerESProducer_cfi
    ComponentName = 'secMeasurementTracker',
    pixelClusterProducer = 'secClusters',
    stripClusterProducer = 'secClusters'
)
    
```

- and in the fitter

e.g.

```

import RecoTracker.TrackProducer.TrackProducer_cfi
secWithMaterialTracks = RecoTracker.TrackProducer.TrackProducer_cfi.TrackProducer.clone(
    AlgorithmName = cms.string('iter2'),
    src = 'secTrackCandidates',
    clusterRemovalInfo = 'secClusters'
)
    
```

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The 4_4_X default tracking in CMS contains 7 iterations, labeled 0 through 6. These correspond to algo values 4-10. The main distinction between the iterations is the track seeding algorithm which is shown in the table below.

Iteration	Seeding Layers	pT cut (GeV)	d0 cut (cm)	z0 cut
InitialStep (0) ↗	pixel triplets	0.6	0.03	4.0
LowPtTripletStep (1) ↗	pixel triplets	0.2	0.03	4.0
PixelPairStep (2) ↗	pixel pairs	0.6	0.01	0.09cm*
DetachedTripletStep (3) ↗	pixel triplets	0.2	1.0	4
MixedTripletStep (4) ↗	Triplets: pixel, TIB1,2, TEC ring 1,2, wheels 1-3	0.35-0.5	2.0	10.0
PixelLessStep (5) ↗	Pairs: TIB1,2 & TID/TEC ring 1,2	0.6	2.0	10.0
TobTecStep (6) ↗	Pairs: TOB1,2 & TEC ring 5, wheels 1-7	0.6	6.0	30.0

The 5_X_X default tracking in CMS contains 7 iterations, labeled 0 through 6. These correspond to algo values 4-10. The main distinction between the iterations is the track seeding algorithm which is shown in the table below.

Iteration	Seeding Layers	pT cut (GeV)	d0 cut (cm)	z0 cut
InitialStep (0) ↗	pixel triplets	0.6	0.02	4.0
LowPtTripletStep (1) ↗	pixel triplets	0.2	0.02	4.0
PixelPairStep (2) ↗	pixel pairs	0.6	0.015	0.09cm*
DetachedTripletStep (3) ↗	pixel triplets	0.3	1.5	15cm
MixedTripletStep (4) ↗	Triplets: pixel, TIB1,2, TEC ring 1,2, wheels 1-3	0.4-0.6	1.5	10cm
PixelLessStep (5) ↗	Pairs: TIB1,2 & TID/TEC ring 1,2	0.7	2.0	10cm
TobTecStep (6) ↗	Pairs: TOB1,2 & TEC ring 5, wheels 1-7	0.6	6.0	30cm

In the table, d0 and z0 refer to the transverse and longitudinal impact parameters of seeds with respect to the beamspot. The * indicates the impact parameter with respect to a pixel vertex. Using triplet seeding is much faster and has a lower fake rate than pairs. Therefore, pixel triplet seeding is run first for higher pT (iteration 0) and lower pT (iteration 1), followed by pixel pairs (iteration 2) for additional efficiency. Iteration 3 uses pixel triplets like iterations 0,1 but searches for displaced tracks. Iteration 4 uses pixels and strip triplets to find tracks which miss a pixel layer and also tracks which may decay within a couple of cm of the production vertex. Iterations 4 and 5 do not use pixels to seed and are designed to find tracks which are significantly displaced from the beam line or tracks which do not leave sufficient pixel hits to be found in the earlier iterations. Other differences between iterations during track building include the minimum number of hits (3 for iterations 0-4 and 6 for iterations 5-6), the number of lost hits (1 for iterations 0-3 and 0 for iterations 4-6).

The final cleaning stage is also different. The early steps have stricter requirements on tracks originating from the production vertex while the later steps have stricter requirements on the track quality. Details can be found by looking in the configuration steps which are linked in the table above and annotated more below.

Usage of the algorithm

In each tracking iteration the user must:

- Identify the clusters used in the previous track collections such as:

```
mixedTripletStepClusters = cms.EDProducer("TrackClusterRemover",
    clusterLessSolution = cms.bool(True),
    oldClusterRemovalInfo = cms.InputTag("detachedTripletStepClusters"),
    trajectories = cms.InputTag("detachedTripletStepTracks"),
    overrideTrkQuals = cms.InputTag('detachedTripletStep'),
    TrackQuality = cms.string('highPurity'),
    pixelClusters = cms.InputTag("siPixelClusters"),
    stripClusters = cms.InputTag("siStripClusters"),
    Common = cms.PSet(
        maxChi2 = cms.double(9.0)
    )
)
```

- Input this information at the seeding level. This is done by the skipClusters command in the seed layers definition below:

```
mixedTripletStepSeedLayersB = cms.ESProducer("SeedingLayersESProducer",
    ComponentName = cms.string('mixedTripletStepSeedLayersB'),
    layerList = cms.vstring('BPix2+BPix3+TIB1',
        'BPix2+BPix3+TIB2', 'BPix3+TIB1+TIB2'),
    BPix = cms.PSet(
        useErrorsFromParam = cms.bool(True),
        hitErrorRPhi = cms.double(0.0027),
        hitErrorRZ = cms.double(0.006),
        TTRHBuilder = cms.string('TTRHBuilderWithoutAngle4MixedTriplets'),
        HitProducer = cms.string('siPixelRecHits'),
        skipClusters = cms.InputTag('mixedTripletStepClusters')
    ),
    TIB = cms.PSet(
        matchedRecHits = cms.InputTag("siStripMatchedRecHits", "matchedRecHit"),
        TTRHBuilder = cms.string('WithTrackAngle'),
        skipClusters = cms.InputTag('mixedTripletStepClusters')
    )
)
```

- The trajectory builder needs to be informed with the "clustersToSkip" parameter as shown below:

```
import RecoTracker.CkfPattern.GroupedCkfTrajectoryBuilderESProducer_cfi
mixedTripletStepTrajectoryBuilder = RecoTracker.CkfPattern.GroupedCkfTrajectoryBuilderESProducer_cfi
    ComponentName = 'mixedTripletStepTrajectoryBuilder',
    MeasurementTrackerName = '',
    trajectoryFilterName = 'mixedTripletStepTrajectoryFilter',
    propagatorAlong = cms.string('mixedTripletStepPropagator'),
    propagatorOpposite = cms.string('mixedTripletStepPropagatorOpposite'),
    clustersToSkip = cms.InputTag('mixedTripletStepClusters'),
    maxCand = 2,
    estimator = cms.string('mixedTripletStepChi2Est')
)
```

- The track candidate maker needs the trajectory builder name and the track producer needs the track candidate name:

```

import RecoTracker.CkfPattern.CkfTrackCandidates_cfi
mixedTripletStepTrackCandidates = RecoTracker.CkfPattern.CkfTrackCandidates_cfi.ckfTrackCandidates
    src = cms.InputTag('mixedTripletStepSeeds'),
    TrajectoryBuilder = 'mixedTripletStepTrajectoryBuilder',
    doSeedingRegionRebuilding = True,
    useHitsSplitting = True
)
import RecoTracker.TrackProducer.TrackProducer_cfi
mixedTripletStepTracks = RecoTracker.TrackProducer.TrackProducer_cfi.TrackProducer.clone(
    AlgorithmName = cms.string('iter4'),
    src = 'mixedTripletStepTrackCandidates'
)

```

Software architecture

The code for the hit removal is in the package [RecoLocalTracker/SubCollectionProducers](#)
 Very good examples for the iterative tracking usage can be found in [RecoTracker/IterativeTracking](#)

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