

**Association of SciFiClusters  
to MCHits and MCParticles**  
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## Development notes (1)

- Various LHCb sub-detector digitizations include an intermediate step, where **Digits** and **MCDigits** are created
- A link to the relevant MCHit is stored in a MCDigit object
- When a "Cluster → MCHit" linker table is created, the MCHits are determined through the chain:  
**Cluster → Digits → MCDigits → MCHits**

- The current BGV digitization is very simple, we just do **MCHit → SciFiCluster**, no intermediate steps
- Therefore, the BGV MC Links are implemented in a different way
  - No new algorithm
  - The linker table is created directly in the Digitization algorithm  
`SciFiDAQ/src/DigiAlgSimple.cpp`
- Eventually, when we get the "Digits" intermediate step, we can modify this code too
- Generally, one can use a chain that is "identical, but reverse" to the digitization

- A weight is assigned to each link **Cluster → MCHit**
  - The value of the MCHit energy deposit is used (as done in the Velo algorithms)

### Simplification

- In the current digitization we don't add MCHit deposits if they are in the same cluster, but reject the second occurrence
- In the future, we should allow to have more than 1 MCHits associated to a Cluster and provide links to all

## Currently it is possible to

- Get the **MCHit(s)** or the **MCParticle(s)** associated to a given **SciFiCluster** (“forward” links)
- Get the **SciFiCluster(s)** associated to a given **MCHit** or **MCParticle** (“backward” links)

## Example code

- The links are created in the digitization algorithm  
**SciFiDAQ/src/DigiAlgSimple.cpp**
- The created links are stored in the produced **.digi** file
  - E.g. `/afs/cern.ch/work/p/phopchev/public/BGVDigi/DigiSamples/raw-sim1r0-geo1r16-mclinks-1000ev.digi`
- An example algorithm that uses these links is available here:  
**SciFiDAQ/src/TestMCLinkers.cpp**

## BGV Track → MCParticle(s)

- A “track” object is needed
- The implementation should be straightforward
  - Loop over the clusters of the track
  - Get the associated MCParticles and make links with the one(s) with largest total weight