

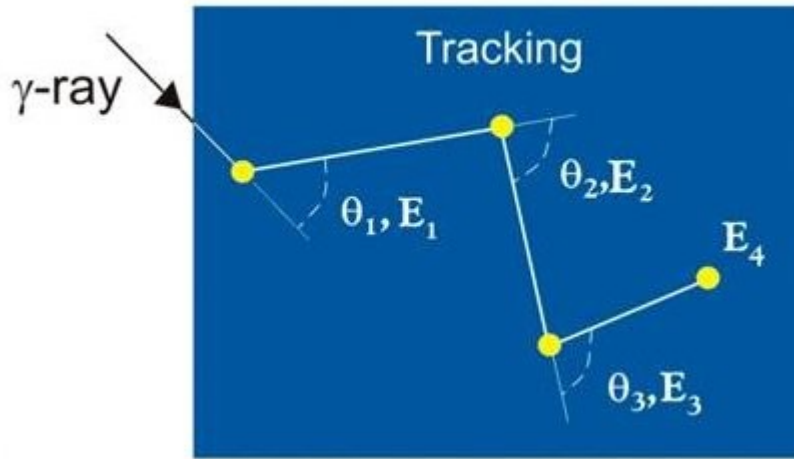
# The GRETINA tracking code

- Intro, 'review'
- How to use
- Few new developments:
- efirst function
- elast function
- Pipe data



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# Tracking 101: determining the interaction sequence and how 'good' a gamma ray is



FOM < ~0.6-0.8  
considered GOOD

FOM > ~0.8  
considered BAD  
(Compton events)

Note: Single interactions  
cannot be tracked

Cluster, then find interaction sequence

Evaluate scattering angle  
<=> energy consistency with  
the Compton scattering formula:

$$E'_\gamma = \frac{0.511}{1 + \frac{0.511}{E_\gamma}(1 - \cos(\theta))}$$

The GT

Not the only  
one possible

$$FOM = \frac{\sqrt{\sum_i (\theta_i^{theo} - \theta_i^{obs})^2}}{n_i - 1}; n_i > 1$$

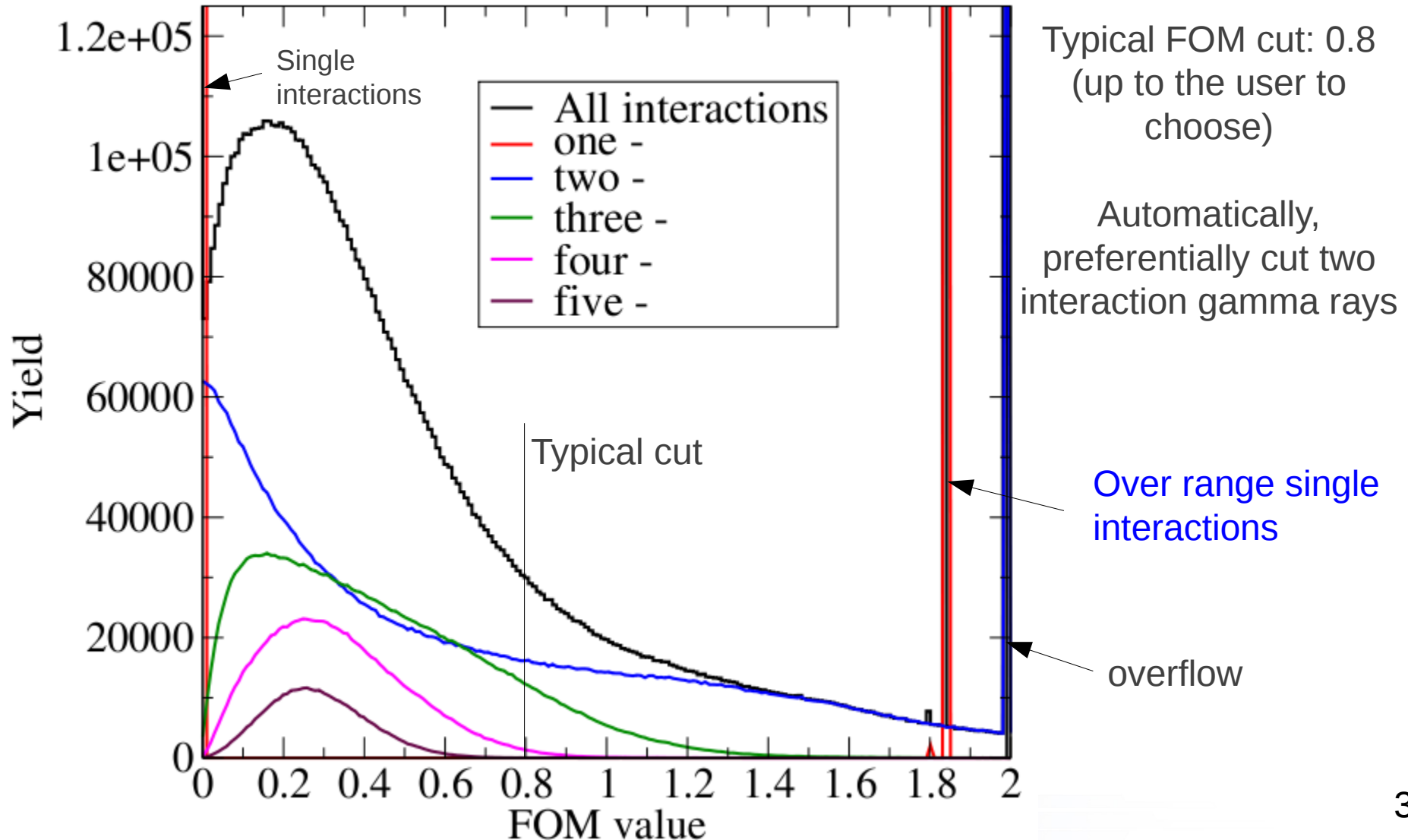
(in rad)

- 1: We find the interaction sequence
- 2: We evaluate how 'good' the gamma rays is

(BTW: We re-scale to CC energy before tracking)

**FOM:** a measure of how well the interaction angles and interaction energies follow the Compton scattering formula for the interaction points in a gamma ray.

**Typical spectrum of FOM values:**



**\*ALWAYS\***  
You have to choose:  
**good P/T** or **good efficiency**  
or  
**A compromise for the data at hand**

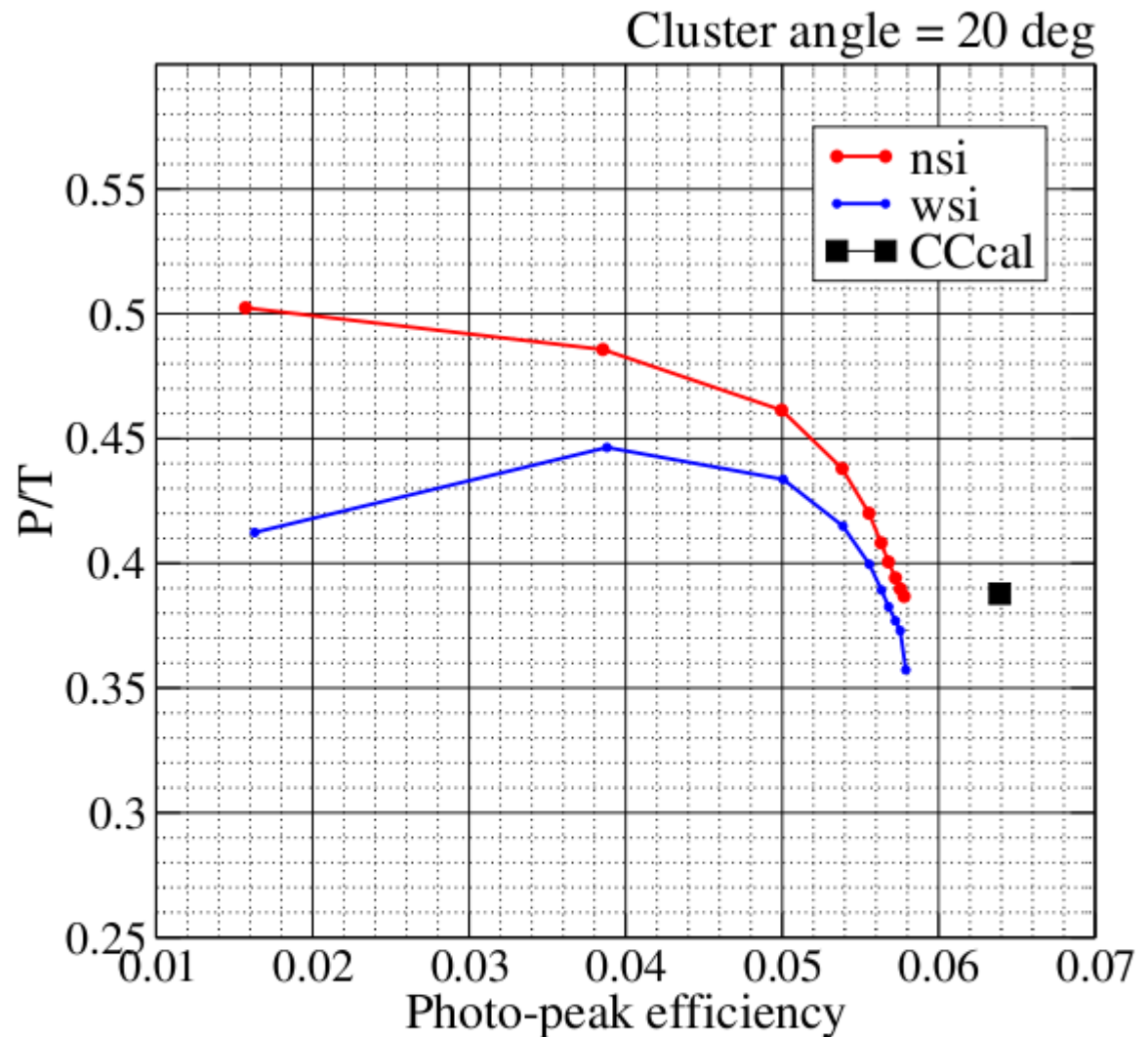


Figure 6: The ( $P/T$ ) ratio vs. photopeak efficiency curves for GREINA (ANL setup), with 7 closed-packed modules, when a clustering angle of  $20^\circ$  is used. The lower curve includes single interactions (wsi) and the upper curve is obtained without these interactions (nsi).

# Selected Chat file options:

**BTW: We can  
handle AGATA  
data too!**

```
./trackMain \  
track_GT.chat \  
GTDATA/mode2.dat \  
GTDATA/mode1.gtd > GTDATA/trackMain.log
```

```
dtwin          30 ← (10 nsec units)
target_x 0
target_y 0
target_z 0
CCcal CCenergy.cal
useCCEnergy
clusterangle 1 20
clusterangle 30 20
enabled "0-180"
trackingstrategy 1 0
trackingstrategy 2 0
trackingstrategy 3 0
trackingstrategy 4 0
trackingstrategy 5 0
trackingstrategy 6 5 ggtttt
trackingstrategy 7 5 gggtttt
trackingstrategy 8 5 ggggtttt
```

GTAG1 → recluster1 0.01 0.1 3 10 0.90  
nprint 20  
singlehitmaxdepth 23 1.9 18.5 1.0  
0.000 0.59  
.  
.  
8.000 10.17  
10.00 10.01  
16.3 20.0

There are many more options!  
Here we just show the basic ones.

**We add mode1 data to  
the mode 2 data!!!!**

# Some functions in ANL tracking code

- Single interaction range [GTAG1]
- GTAG1 ▪ Splitclusters: try to split clusters that have a bad FOM into two gamma rays that have good FOMs. [SUMMED LINES!?!]
- Combine clusters: try to combine that have bad FOMs into one gamma rays that has a good FOM
- Recluster: split gamma rays with bad FOM decreasing the clustering angle. [TBD: *can go the other way too*]
- Matchmaker: combine two single interaction gamma rays into one gamma ray with a good FOM [tricky!]
- PairProd: TBD

**We can execute these functions iteratively until we have made the best out of the data we were given**

**The problem: sometimes we make the wrong call because the experimental data is not perfect (i.e., we accidentally destroy what were actually good gamma rays)**





# What is new?

J. van der Marel and B. Cederwall. **Backtracking as a way to reconstruct Compton scattered gamma rays.** *Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research Section A*, 437:538, 1999.

> See if adding a penalty if the last interaction is not in the range from ~10 to ~300keV helps, [elast function]

I. Piqueras, F. A. Beck, E. Pachoud, and G. Duchene. **A probabilistic  $\gamma$ -ray tracking method for germanium detectors.** *Nucl.Instrum.Methods Phys.Res.*, A516:122, 2004.

> Add a penalty if the first interaction point does not have the largest energy deposite, if the energy is larger than ~500keV, [efirst function]



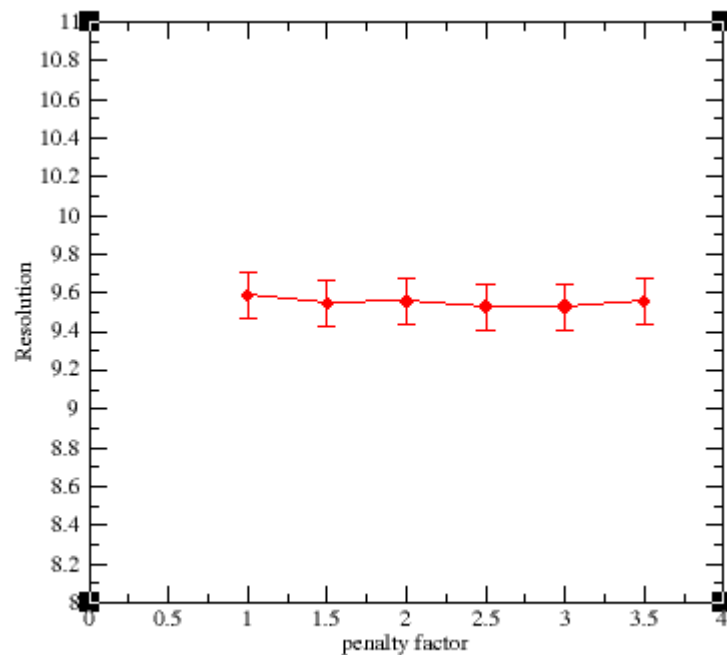
Look at 2064 keV line of in-beam experimental data.  $v/c \sim 8.2\%$ , so first interaction can be gauged by the Doppler correction



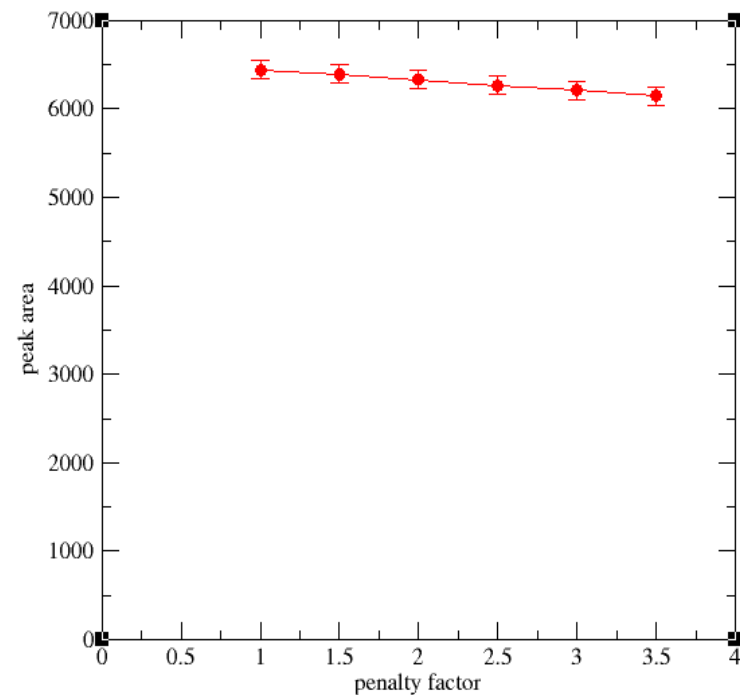
# elast function:

#      +-- lowest accepted energy (MeV)  
#      |      +-- highest accepted energy (MeV)  
#      |      |      +- penalty factor  
elast 0.050 0.300 1.5

As a function of the penalty factor, resolution and peak area:



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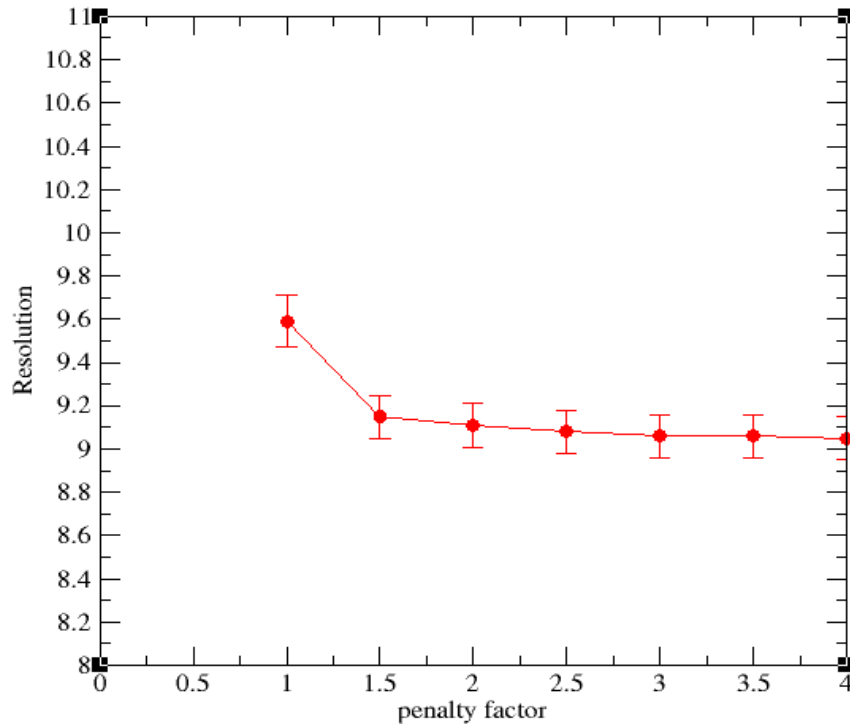
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... does not seem to help us

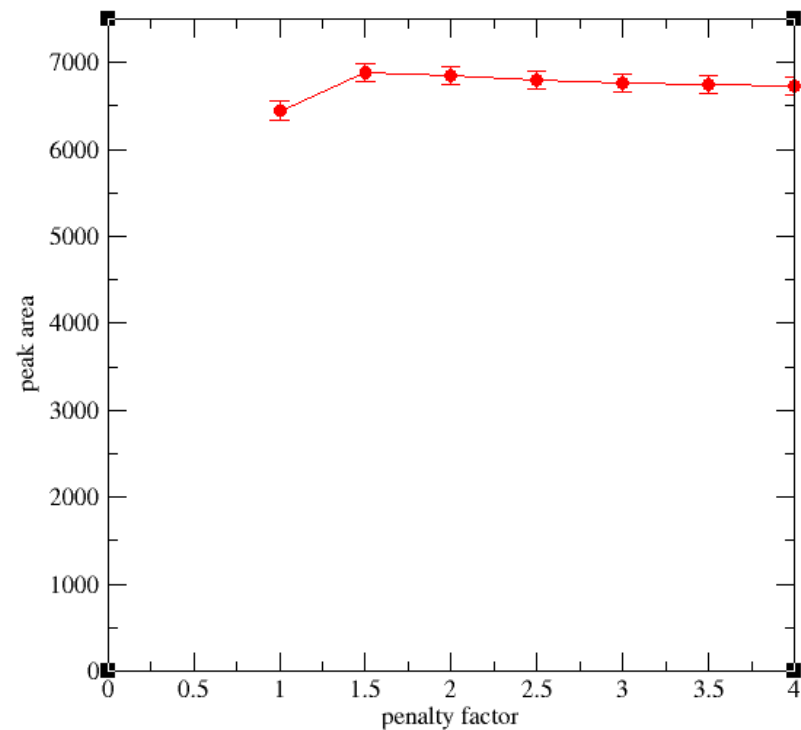


# Efirst function

# + min gamma ray energy (MeV)  
# | + penalty factor  
efirst 0.500 3.5



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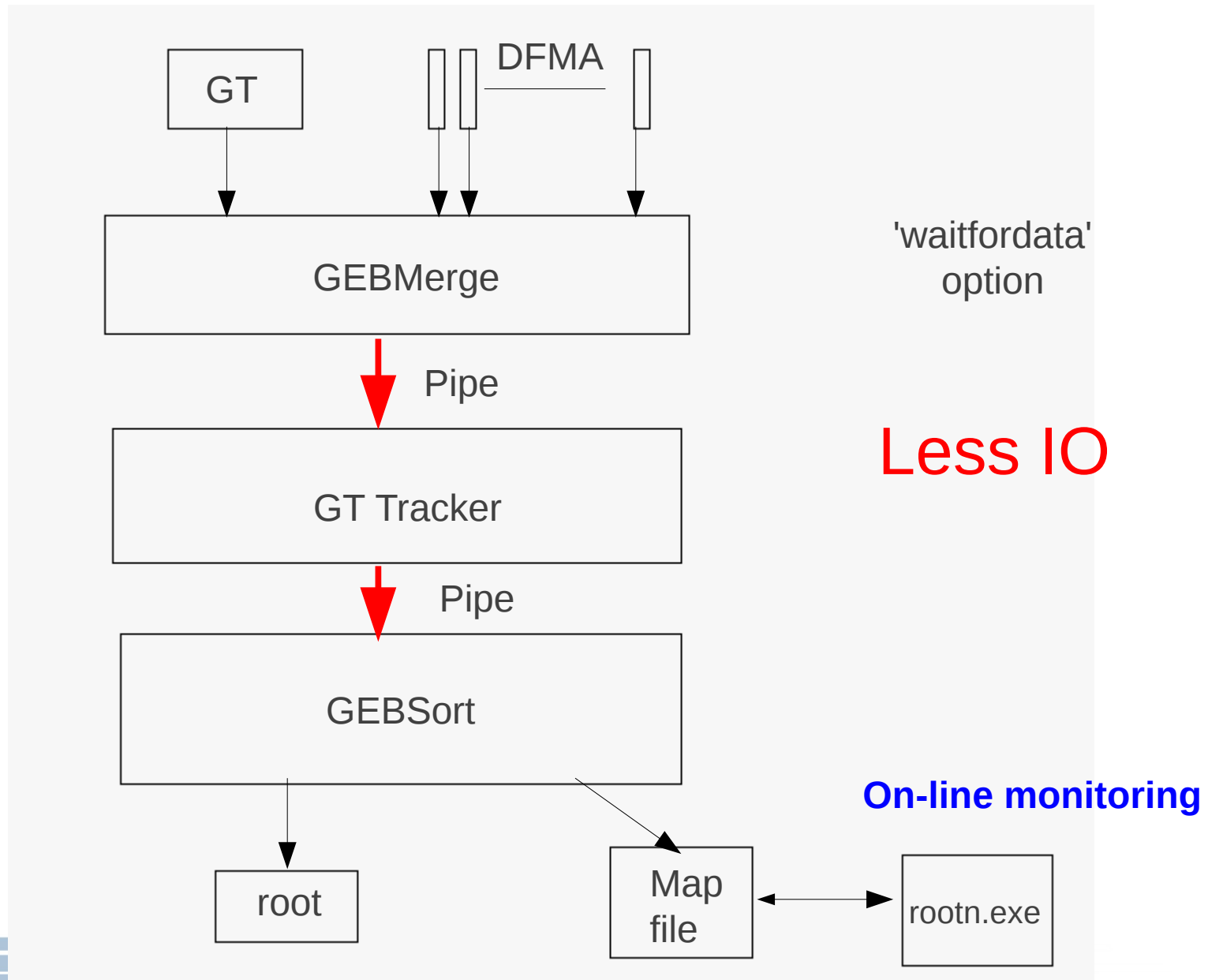


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Function seems to help us find the first  
interaction point better :)  
~5% better energy resolution, ~5% more peak  
area for the same FOM cut



# Can now pipe data through the tracker



# Conclusions and future

- Not many changes to the GT tracking code since last
- But tried the new efirst and elast functions
- **elast does not seem to work**. Maybe the same problem as with backtracking which also does not work so well? Is the assumption wrong or is it bad data?
- **The efirst function appears to work. It effectively trivializes the tracking at high energy; but so be it.** The function and the functional form of the penalty needs to be optimized and we need to make sure it does not hurt us in other energy regions
- Piping data may help us speed up the tracking.
- We still need to add tracking of pair production to the code.
- Try other FOM measures?

