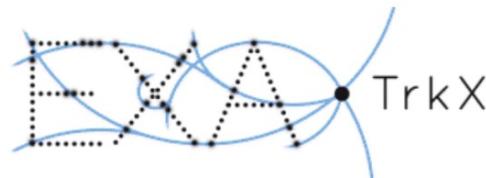


Enhanced GNN models for track reconstruction with ATLAS ITk

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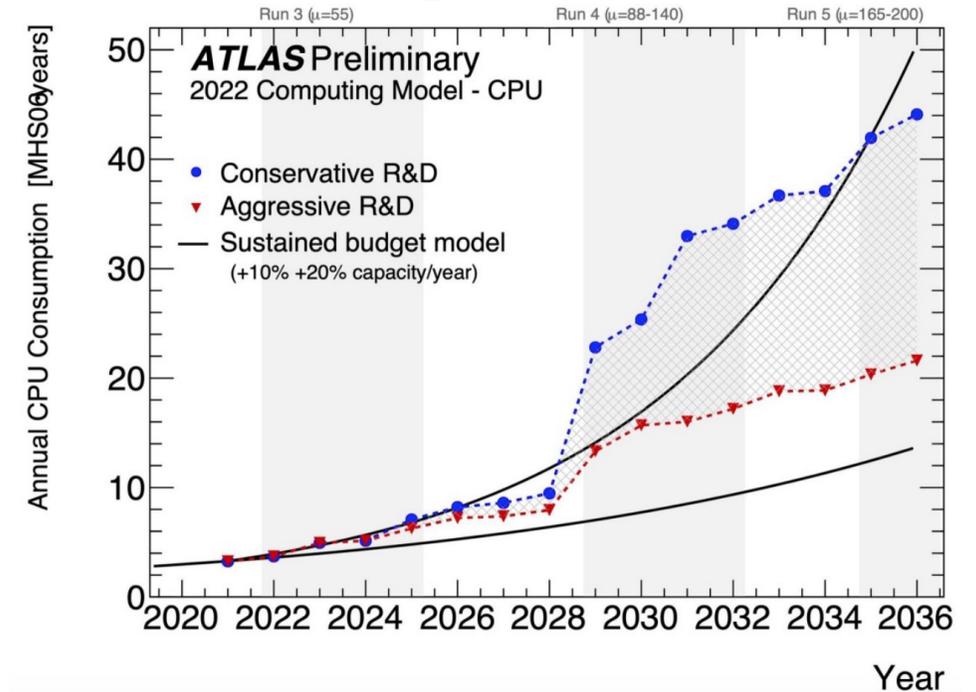
Computing at LHC during High Luminosity era

- ⇒ Physics run to start in 2029
- ⇒ Increase in event complexity:
~ 200 proton-proton interactions μ per collision
- ⇒ Increase in data taking rate
- ⇒ ATLAS detector upgrades: new Inner Tracking detector Itk
- ⇒ **Brings unprecedented challenges for software and computing**

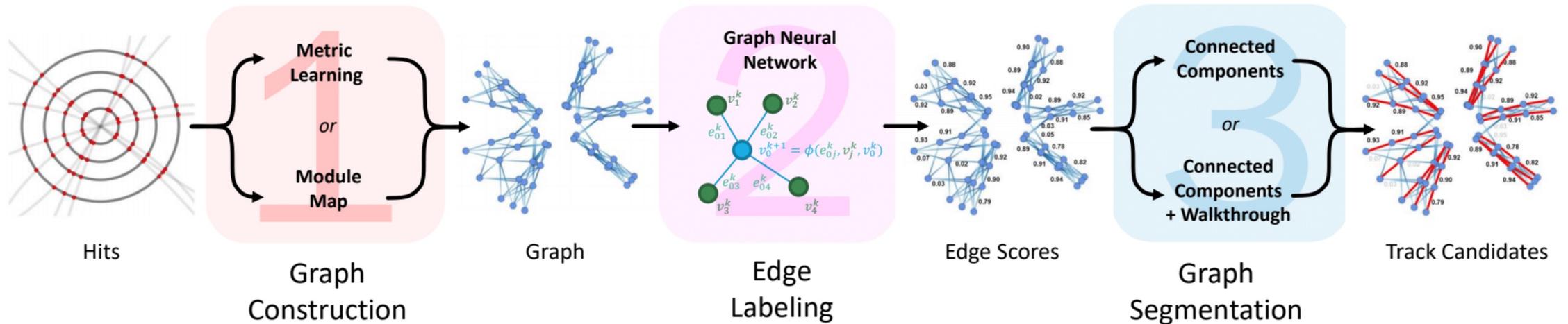
- ⇒ Track reconstruction of charged particle (tracking) = A very CPU-Intensive stage
- ⇒ Classical algorithm like CKF hard to run efficiently on accelerators for ATLAS

Graph Neural Network (GNN) are very suitable to deal with sparse data of the detector:

- ⇒ To learn geometric pattern of the tracks
- ⇒ Proof of principle by the ExaTrkx Project



Graph Neural Network (GNN)-based algorithms for track reconstruction

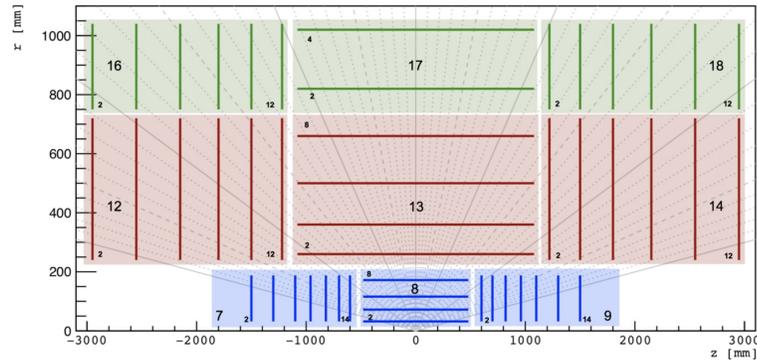


Graph construction:
Represent detector
data (hits) as a graph

GNN stage
Edge classification: by
scoring each edges to be a
segment of a track or no

Track reconstruction
Filtering GNN-predicted graph
Post process reconstruction
algorithm

Results on trackML

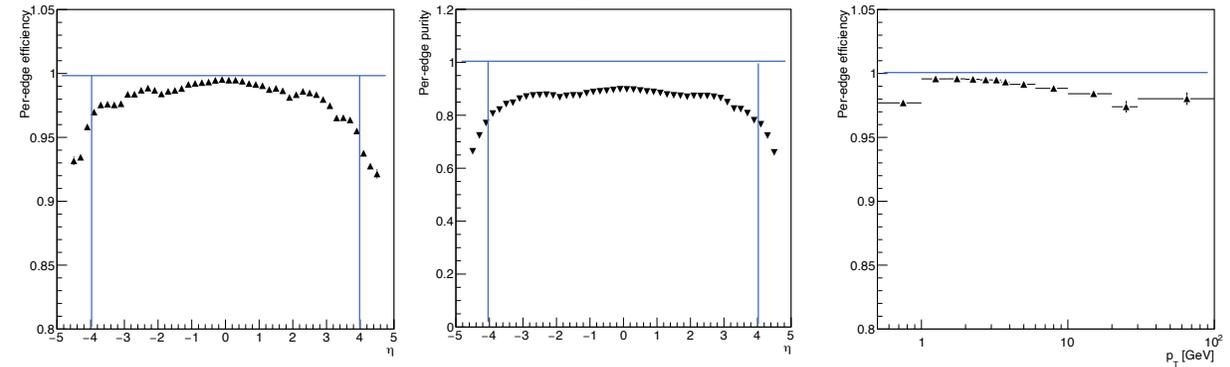


Generation (Pythia8): 1000 $t\bar{t}$ events from pp collisions

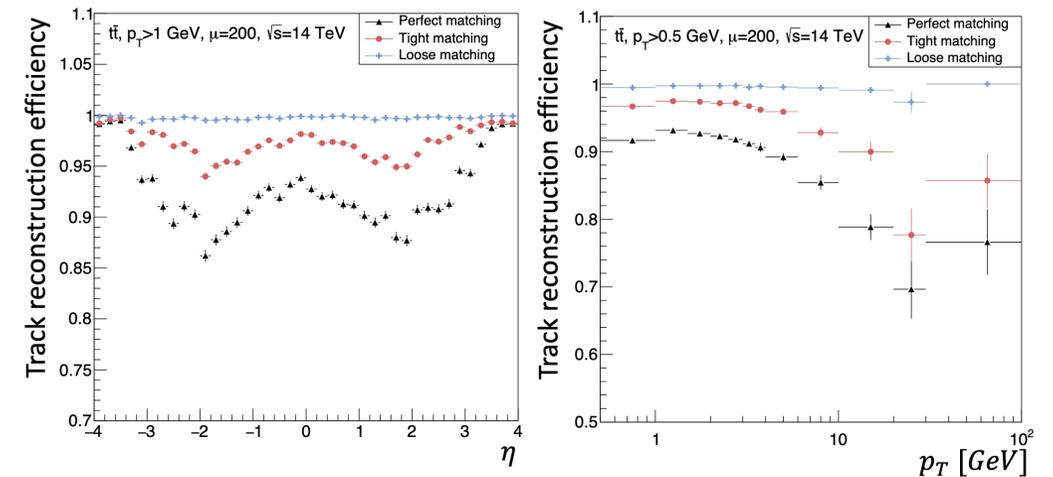
- $s = 14 \text{ TeV}$, $\mu = 200$ pile-up (HL-LHC condition) modeling using A3 tune

Simulation: Generic detector simulated with fast simulation of ACTS framework

GNN performances



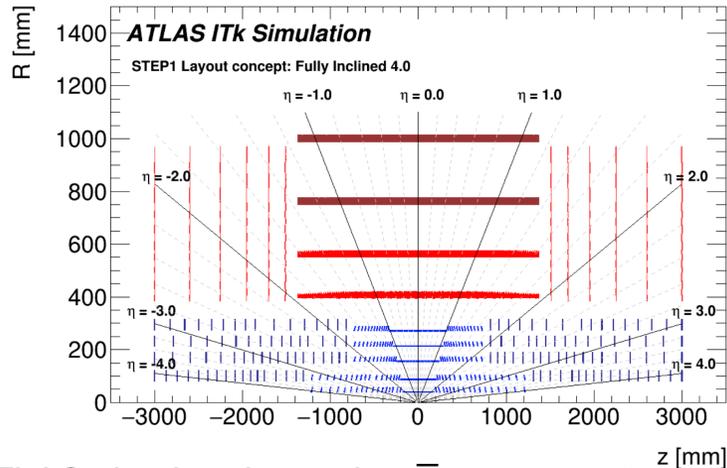
Track reconstruction performances



[Towards a realistic track reconstruction algorithm based on graph neural networks for the HL-LHC, C.Rougier et al., vCHEP 2021](#)

[Physics and Computing Performance of the Exa.TrkX TrackML Pipeline, D. Murnane et al., vCHEP 2021](#)

Results on ATLAS ITk



ATLAS simulated sample: $t\bar{t}$ with $\mu = 200$ at $s = 14$ TeV

Define target particles:

$p_T > 1$ GeV

No secondaries

No electron

At least 3 space-points

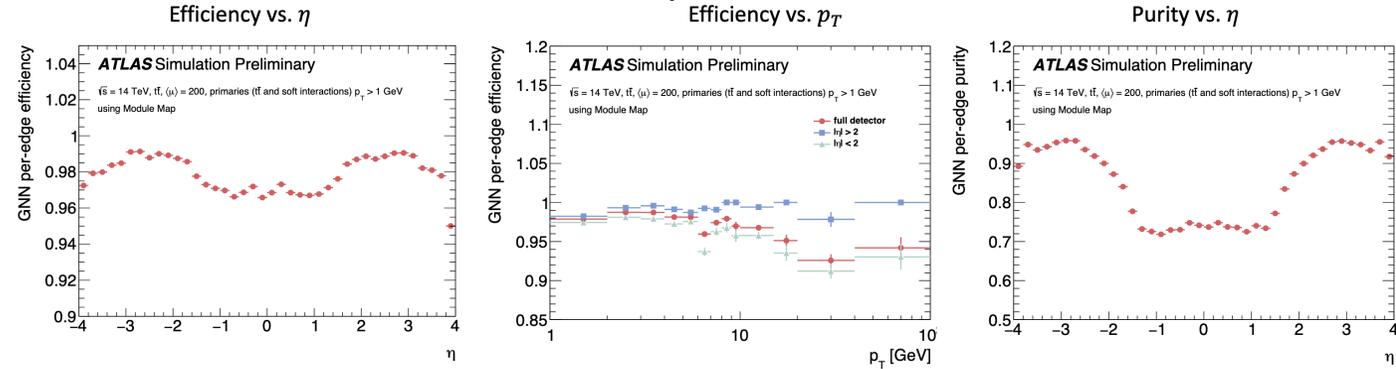
⇒ Simulated data very close of what we expect for HL-LHC

[ATLAS ITk Track Reconstruction with a GNN-based pipeline, C.Rougier et al., CTD 2022](#)

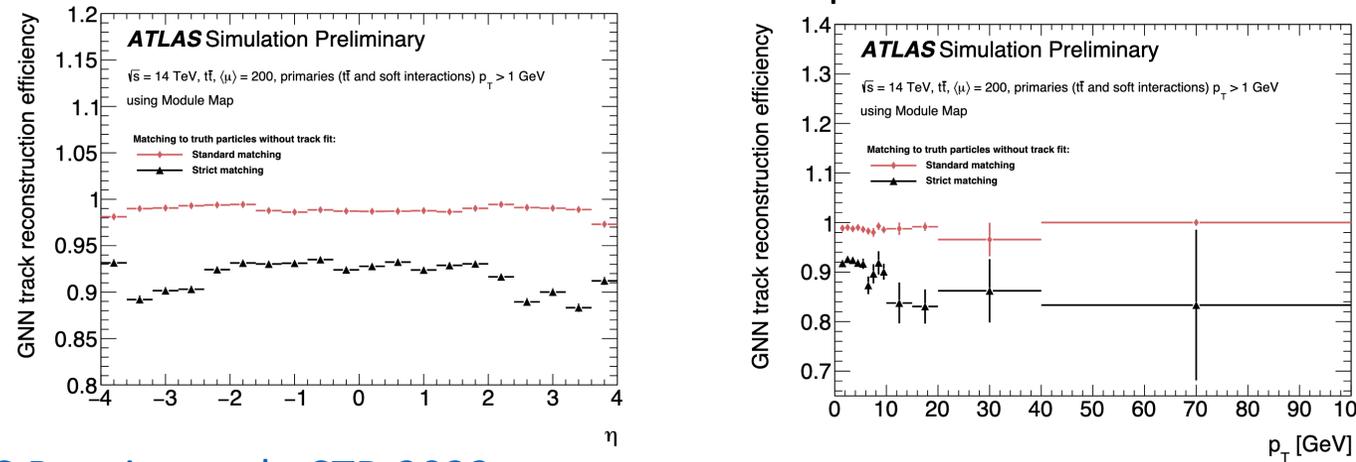
[Graph Neural Network track reconstruction for ATLAS ITk, D. Murnane et al., IML 2022](#)

⇒ GNN-based algorithms now appear as competitive solutions for the future generation of charged particle track reconstruction algorithms which will have to be put into production for the HL-LHC

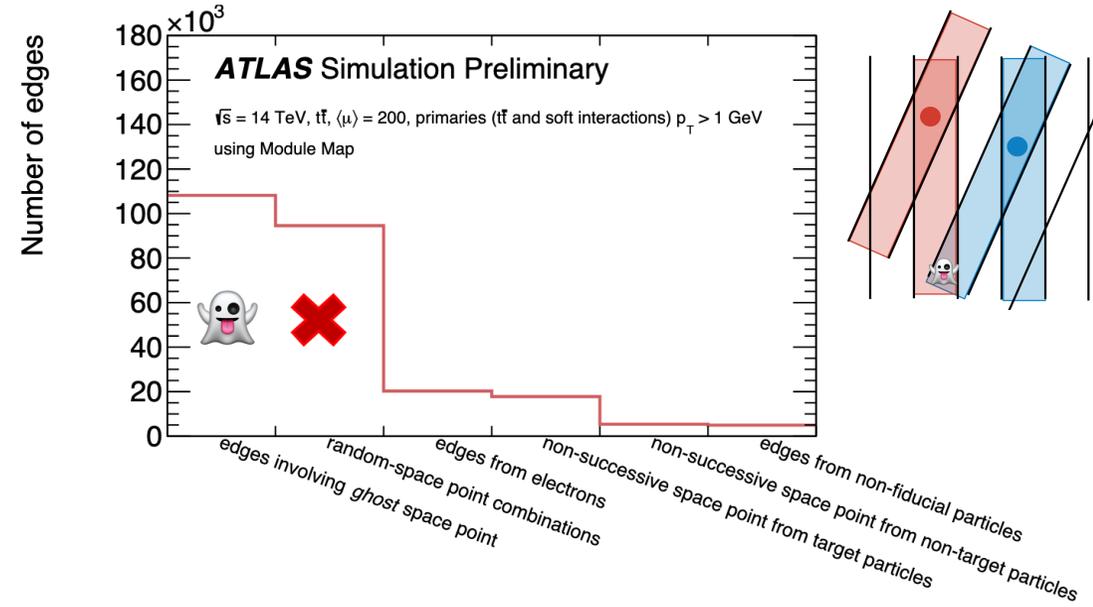
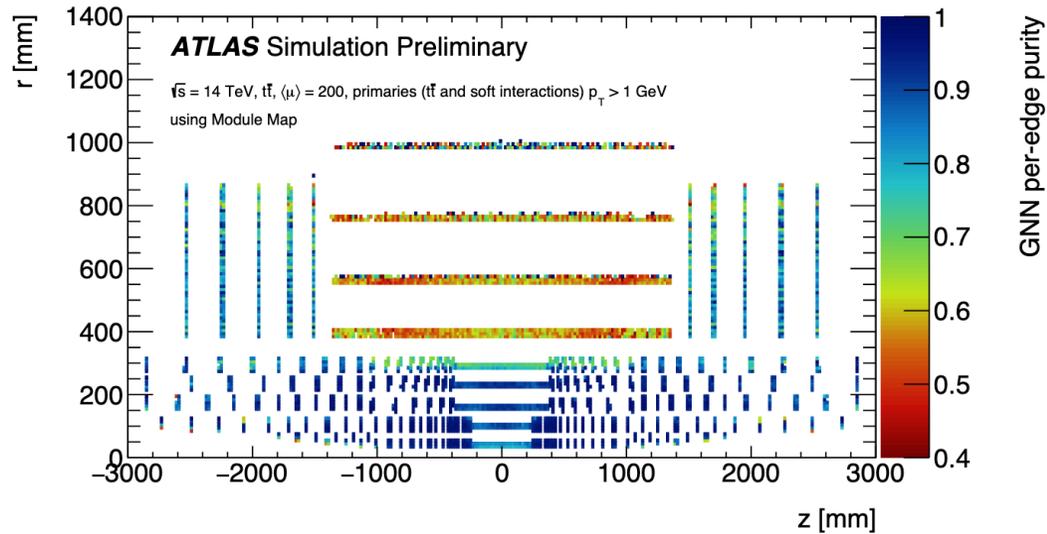
GNN performances



Track reconstruction performances



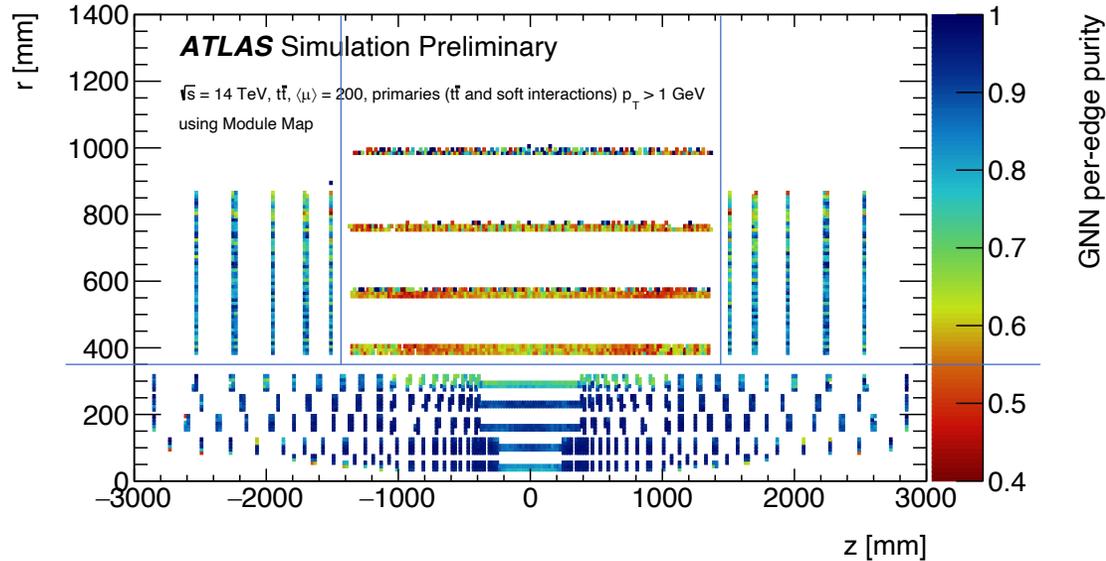
Sources of limitations of GNN performances



GNN poor performances are for edges in the barrel of the strip detector

- ⇒ Lower spatial space-point resolution in the STRIP BARREL
- ⇒ Existence of ghost space points
- ⇒ Graph topology: mean connectivity specifically high and and
- ⇒ True vs Fake edges ratio x10 times lower to other region

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Degree of nodes (mean and std)

3.06 ± 2.99	12.52 ± 10.88	3.06 ± 2.99
4.86 ± 4.59	9.35 ± 10.93	4.86 ± 4.59

True vs Fake edges ratio

0.0224	0.0056	0.0224
0.0229	0.0123	0.0229

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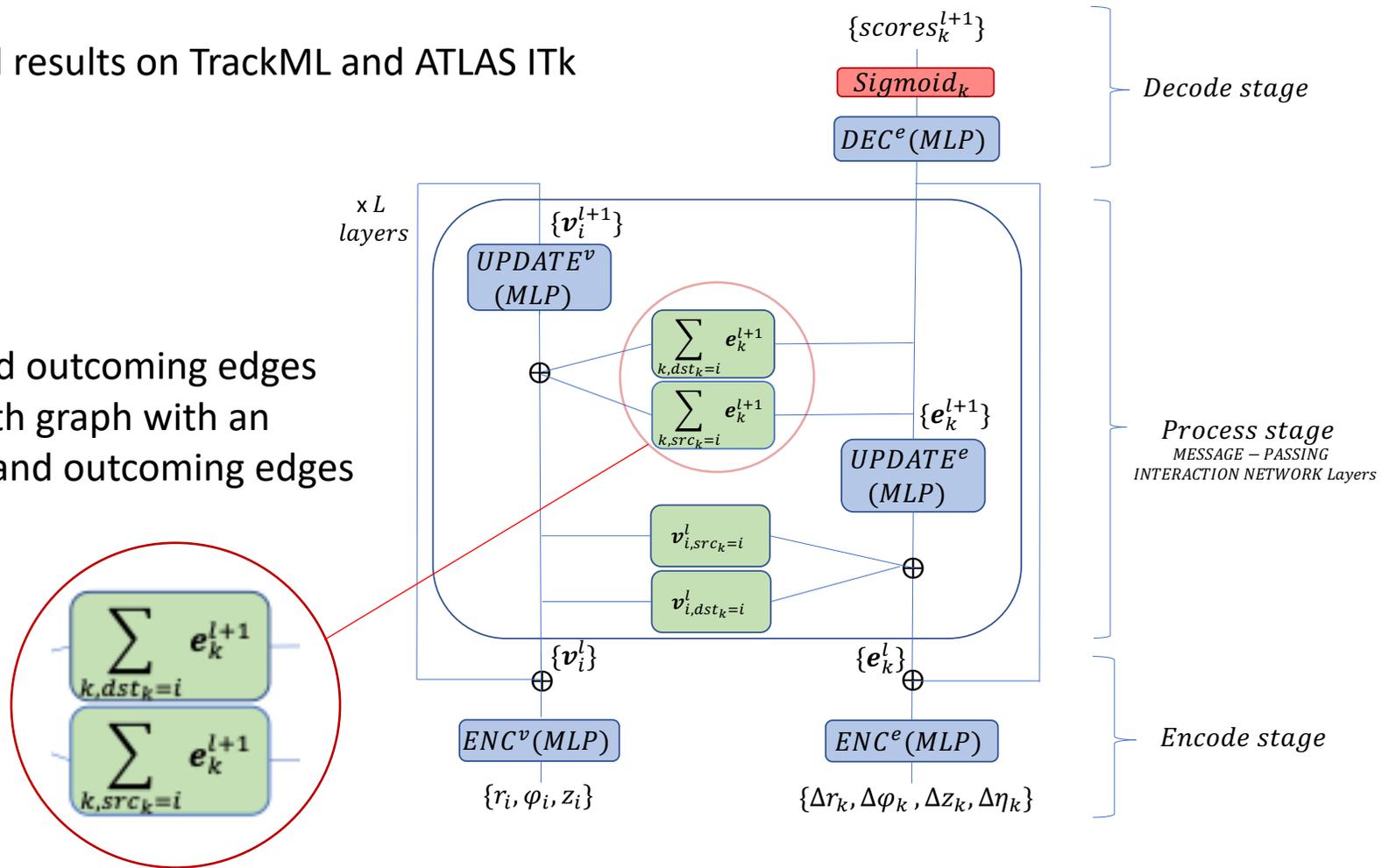
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Message Passing Neural Network (MPNN)

Used as model for the previously described results on TrackML and ATLAS ITk
 Described by P. Battaglia et al. ([deepmind](#))

IMPORTANT :

- Map and reduce separately incoming and outgoing edges
- Make sense in our tracking problem with graph with an *asymmetric topology* between incoming and outgoing edges



« deep » vs recurrent GNN models

« Make it deep » P. Battaglia, LTD 2022

L Interaction Network Layers

L different instances of Edge Net and Node Net

Avoid vanishing gradient problem (typical with RNN)

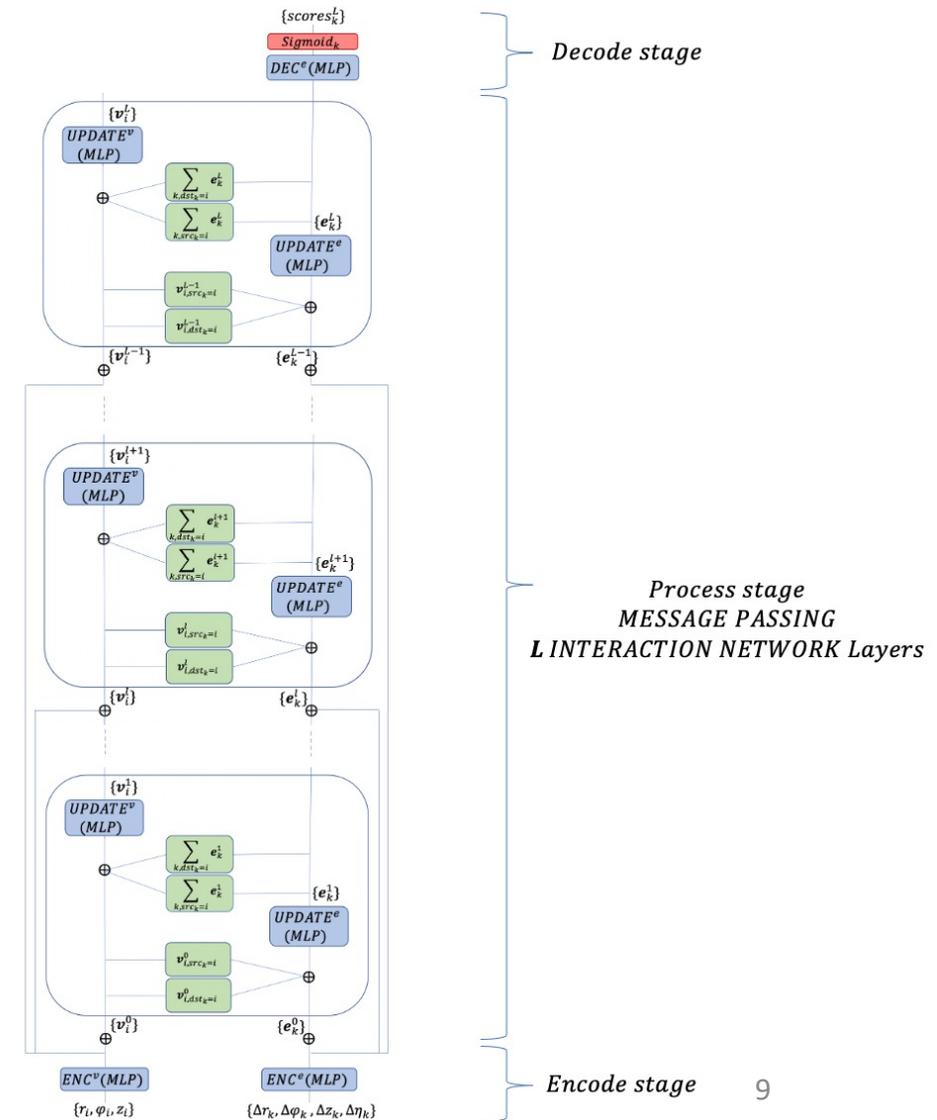
GNN should approximate a better function

⇒ **Converge very much faster**

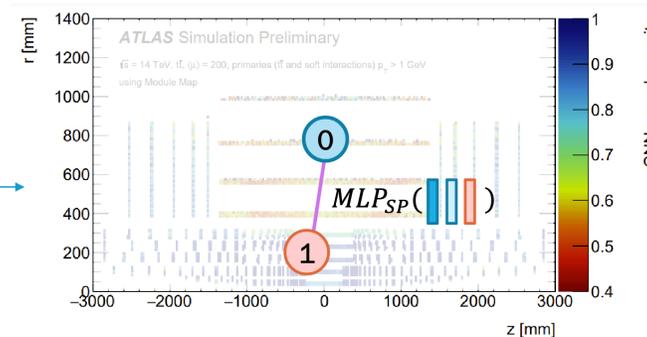
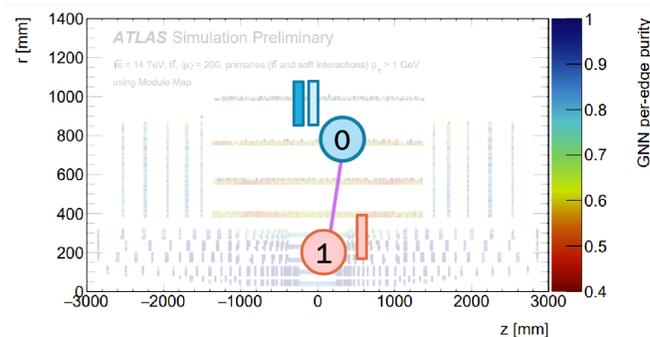
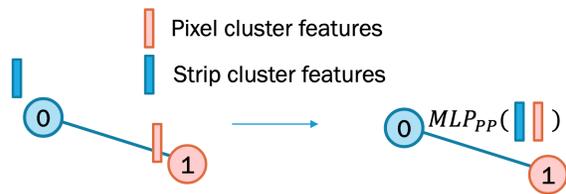
⇒ Overfitting: Performance for TRAIN dataset (eff ~99% , purity ~92%)

⇒ Potentially solved by data augmentation

⇒ Potentially improve performances



Heterogeneous GNN models



The idea : to encode with dedicated MLPs each region

The detector is divided in 6 volumes

4	5	6	STRIP
1	2	3	
			PIXEL

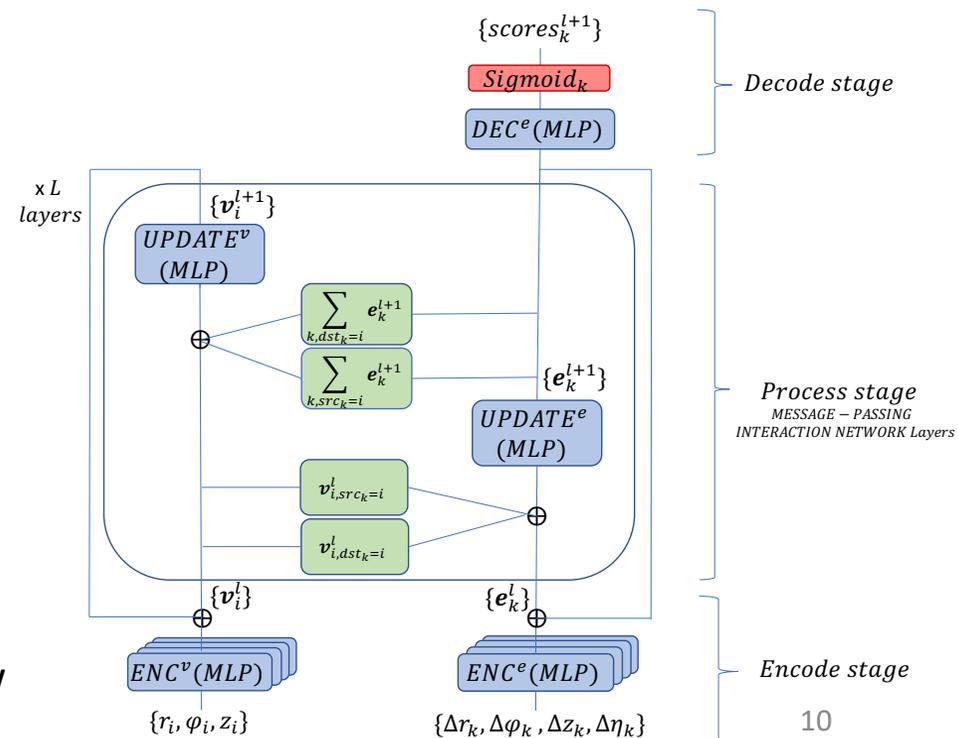
EC- BARREL EC+

⇒ Heterogeneity only implemented at encoder stage for now

⇒ **Hard to synchronize** the training of the different MLPs

⇒ The MLP have to project in similar latent space at the same time to allow

⇒ message passing expressivity powerness

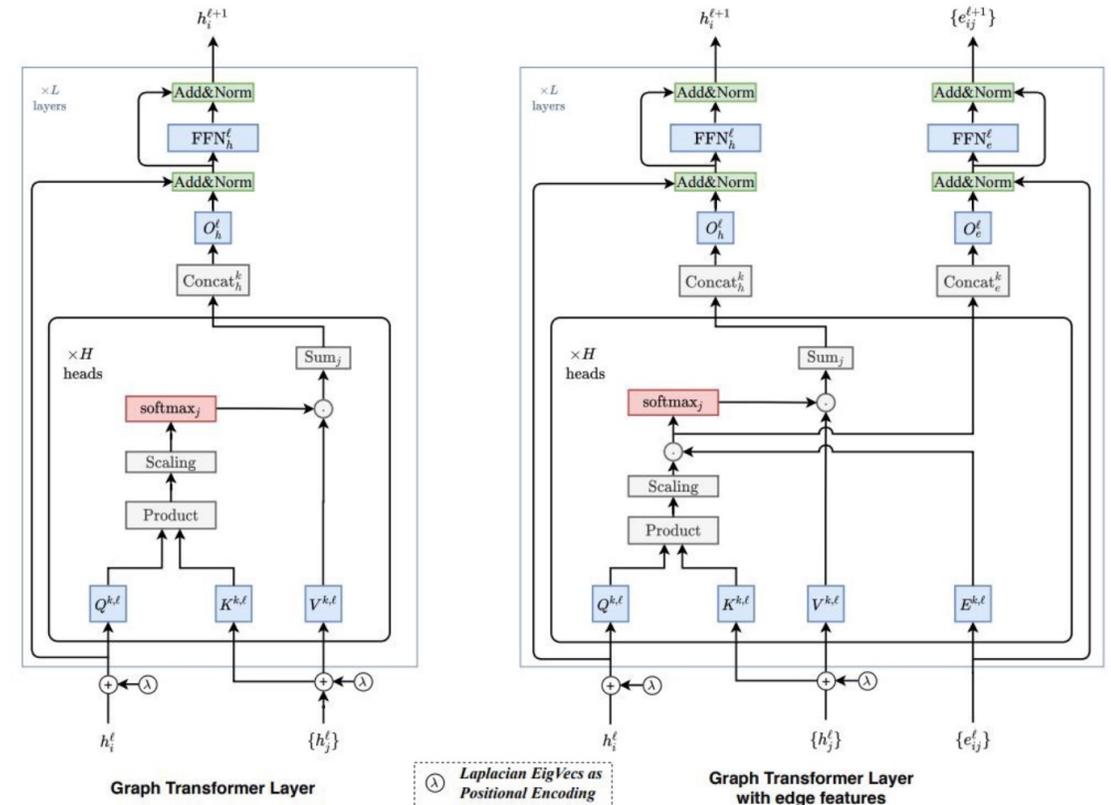


Graph Transformer & positional encodings

Adding topological or detector-geometry-oriented **positional encodings** to the current encodings of detector hits in euclidian space

⇒ One-hot encoding the region for nodes and edges and project this encoding to a latent space size-like it with an MLP

⇒ Attention mechanisms : Better aggregation function ?



[A Generalization of Transformer Networks to Graphs](#) with [Xavier Bresson](#) at [2021 AAAI Workshop on Deep Learning on Graphs: Methods and Applications \(DLG-AAAI'21\)](#).