What's the object(ive) of tracking?

• some things:

- hits, wires, clusters, track segments, tracks, trajectories, outer detector matching hits,
- some actions:
 - find clusters of hit wires in one superlayer, find possible track segments within a cluster, link segments from different superlayers into a track candidate, "swim" a trajectory through CLAS, find all hits which are "close" to a candidate trajectory, decide the "left-right" for each hit, calculate the doca between track and wire, calculate the doca from the wire hit alone, correcting for local angle, Bfield, coordinate along the wire and beta

Order of actions ...

- identify clusters of hits in superlayers
- find paired clusters in neighboring superlayers
- link clusters to find track candidates
- trim linked clusters to viable segments
- convert time \rightarrow distance for hits in segments
- do local l-r ambiguity \rightarrow space hits
- fit space hits to a track

What objects (and methods) are best suited to the problem?

- from the track-finder's point of view
 - finds suitable clusters of hits consistent with a track
- from the track's point of view-
 - a track has methods which finds nearby hits using a calculated trajectory, and calculates the residuals between the trajectory and the hit positions. A final method is to minimize chi-squared by a combination of discarding bad hits and iterating the trajectory
- from the hit's point of view-
 - a hit has methods to transform itself from a TDC value to a 3-d space point, using information from the track trajectory

What are the Objects?

- Signal object
 - has a
 - type (ADC, TDC, other?)
 - electronic location (crate, slot, channel)
 - value (integer)
 - Purpose: returns an integer value
 - Requires: a valid entry on a signal list
 - Promises: a meaningful integer

more objects

- WireHit object
 - has a
 - geometric location (a wire id. number)
 - a pointer (?) to a Signal object
 - Purpose: returns a wire id. number
 - Requires: that the wire has a valid Signal, and also a signal channel to wire number map
 - Promises: to return a valid wire identification (sector, layer, wire) for any valid signal identification (crate, slot, channel)
 - Comment: used in "hit-based" tracking

more objects

- TimeHit object
 - has a
 - a pointer (?) to a WireHit object
 - value (in ns); with event-independent corrections done
 - Purpose: returns a time value in ns
 - Requires: that the wire has a valid WireHit
 - Promises: to return a time in a useful range for conversion to distance

... and more

- TrackTimeHit object
 - has a
 - is in a one-to-many relation with a TimeHit
 - a track-dependent (flight path, beta-dependent time walk, signal propagation time along wire) time correction
 - Purpose: return a track-dependent corrected time
 - Requires: that the wire has a valid TimeHit and that the TimeHit be included in a TrackHitList.
 - Promises: a legitimate time useful for converting to a calculated distance-of-closest-approach

... and more

- TrackSpaceHit object
 - has a
 - is in a one-to-one relation with a TrackTimeHit
 - a track-dependent (local angle, B-field) time to distance conversion
 - geometric location (a 3-d point-of-closest approach)
 - a "left-right" resolution choice (-1,0,+1)
 - Purpose: return a 3-d space point
 - Requires: that the wire has a valid TrackTimeHit
 - Promises: a legitimate 3-d space point

- TrackSegment object
 - has a
 - TrackSegmentHitList (a list of wires with valid WireHit objects)
 - Trajectory (a list of 5Vectors defined at various DetectorPlanes)
 - Chisquared (a match of the Trajectory with the TrackSpaceHits on the TrackHitList)
 - Purpose: provide a hit list within a superlayer that might be part of a Track
 - Requires: a valid ClusterHitList
 - Promises: a valid value for 5Vectors, Chisquared and TrackSegmentHitList

- Track object
 - has a
 - TrackHitList (a list of wires with valid WireHit objects)
 - Trajectory (a list of 5Vectors defined at various DetectorPlanes)
 - Chisquared (a match of the Trajectory with the TrackSpaceHits on the TrackHitList)
 - TOFHitList (a list of TOF paddles with valid TOFTimeHits and a match with the trajectory)
 - Purpose: provide valid 5Vectors at various planes
 - Requires: a valid TrackHitList and a valid Trajectory
 - Promises: a valid value for 5Vectors and Chisquared

- Track object
 - member functions
 - findHits
 - Purpose: for each plane; queries the "left wire" and "right wire" for a valid TimeHit and assigns a +, -, or 0 value to each TimeHit for conversion to a TrackTimeHit and then to a TrackSpaceHit
 - Requires: a valid Trajectory
 - Promises: a TrackHitList with 0 to 2*nplanes members

- Track object
 - member functions
 - generateTrajectory
 - Purpose: produce a 5-vector at each detector plane if the projected trajectory is within a fiducial volume
 - Requires: a starting 5-vector within the CLAS12 fiducial volume
 - Promises: a FiveVectorList with 0 to nplanes members

... two CRC cards class, responsibilities, collaboration

TimeHit

Responsibilities

- identify wire (sec, lay, wire)
- transform TDC signal ⇔time
- correct time for fixed delays

Collaborators

- signal ⇒ wire map
- table of cable delays

TrackHit

Responsibilities

- do trk-dependent time corrections
- do trk-dependent time ⇒ distance
- return a 3-d space point

Collaborators

- trajectory (defines y as well as local angle, B-field, path length)
- TOF time (defines beta)
- event start-time