

STAR Year 1 Global Tracking

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Introduction

- Goals of Year 1 Global Tracking
 - ◆ Get best possible momentum fit
 - ◆ i.e. 3D fit including material effects
 - ◆ Allow a primary track population to be selected



Track refits

- Kalman refit of TPC tracks
 - ◆ Fitting only, not pattern recognition, that is done in TPC tracker
- Second fit including primary vertex as point on track



Kalman refit

- Fit Features
 - ◆ 3D fit
 - ◆ Accounts for multiple scattering (hard wired X_0 for P10) and energy loss in TPC gas (assumes pion mass)
 - ◆ Points may be removed in the smoother step
 - ◆ Full covariance matrix produced



Kalman fit details

- Code (FORTRAN) is from DELPHI, adapted to STAR by D.Liko and A. Saulys
- Co-ordinate system is:
 $r\phi, z_0, \tan\lambda, \psi, q/p_T$
- Calls to GEANT for material and dE/dx routines.



Primary track fit

- 2 x 2D fit
- Uses global track with hits as input
 - ◆ uses only those with $DCA < 3\text{cm}$
 - ✦ this is meant as a loose initial cut
- Minimizes χ^2 for x-y (circle) and s-z (straight line) fits
 - ◆ Fits use points in first 180° of circle
- Result stored whatever it is, users decide final selection criteria (χ^2 of fit)
 - ◆ Fits which fail are however flagged



Next Steps

- Extend Kalman fit to include primary vertex. Will need limited geometry information.
- In Year 1 this is TPC only plus:
 - ◆ inner field cage - 0.6% X_0
 - ◆ N_2 gas
 - ◆ Be beam pipe - 0.3% X_0

