Low Momentum Track Reconstruction Efficiency

- a solution -

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Issue description

- Overall low track finding efficiency (\(\epsilon = \frac{\pm MC part gen. with rec. track}{\pm MC part gen.}\)) for low momentum particles in all regions (bwd, central, fwd)
- Clearly visible tracks (as visualized top right) not reconstructed





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Issue solution



m_FitAlgoName("KalmanFitter") in PHG4TrackFastSim.cc

"DafRef" fitter used since beginning

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 \rightarrow theoretically a good choice for full noise and background simulations

 \rightarrow initial setup optimized for high momentum tracks (more straight tracks)

 \rightarrow HOWEVER! produces ill conditioned covariance matrices for low momentum tracks

 \rightarrow low momentum track fitting does not converge and tracks are discarded

More basic KalmanFitter works great at any momentum \rightarrow except for strongly curling tracks with high numbers of hits due to the curling







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Issue solution - Momentum Resolution





KalmanFitter results in similar (or slightly better) momentum resolution compared to DafRef







- Significant improvement in tracking efficiency with KalmanFitter (marked as "Kalman" in plots)
- Remaining low momentum due to curling tracks where Kalman fails → could be improved by further constrains in fitter, but would be a difficult region in real data as well

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Conclusions and Outlook



- Current track fitter breaks down for low momentum particles
 - \rightarrow recovered by switch to different fitter
- Efficiency greatly improved with same momentum resolution \rightarrow very good efficiency now also in TOF momentum region
- Studies of vertex/sagitta layer optimizations to be re-checked
- Further Kalman optimizations possible (but maybe not needed in Fun4All anymore)