

Update on Secondary Vertexing

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Secondary Vertex Reconstruction

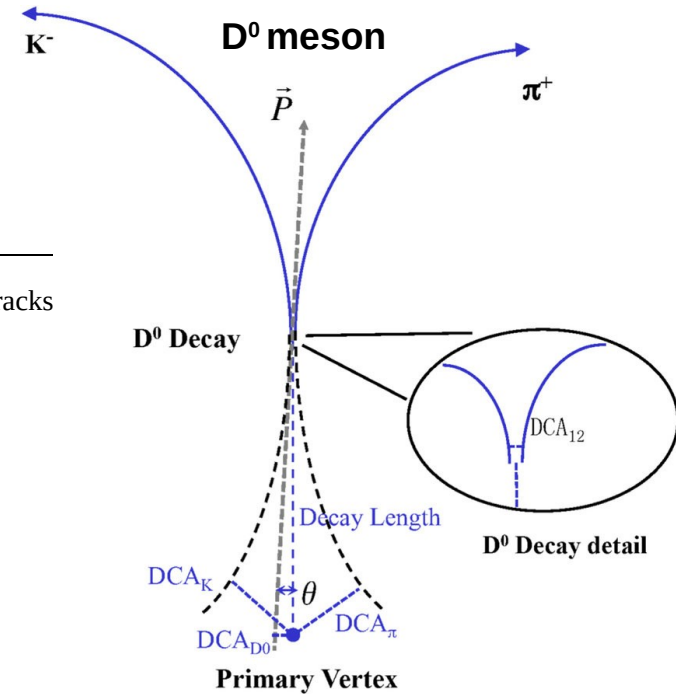
Primary Vertex Reconstruction:

- **CentralTrackVertices**
- AdaptiveMultiVertexFinder (in development: Bishoy)

Primary vertex: allows access to the DCA of daughter tracks $\sigma_{PV} \propto \sigma_{dca} / \sqrt{N_{tracks}}$

Secondary vertex: allows access to more topological variables, e.g., decay length (dl), pointing angle ($\cos\theta$), DCA_{D0} or DCA_{Λ_c} etc.

$$\sigma_{SV} \propto \sigma_{dca} / \sqrt{N_{dau}} \quad \begin{array}{l} N_{dau} = 2 \text{ for } D^0 \\ N_{dau} = 3 \text{ for } \Lambda_c^+ \end{array}$$



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Secondary Vertex (SV) Reconstruction:

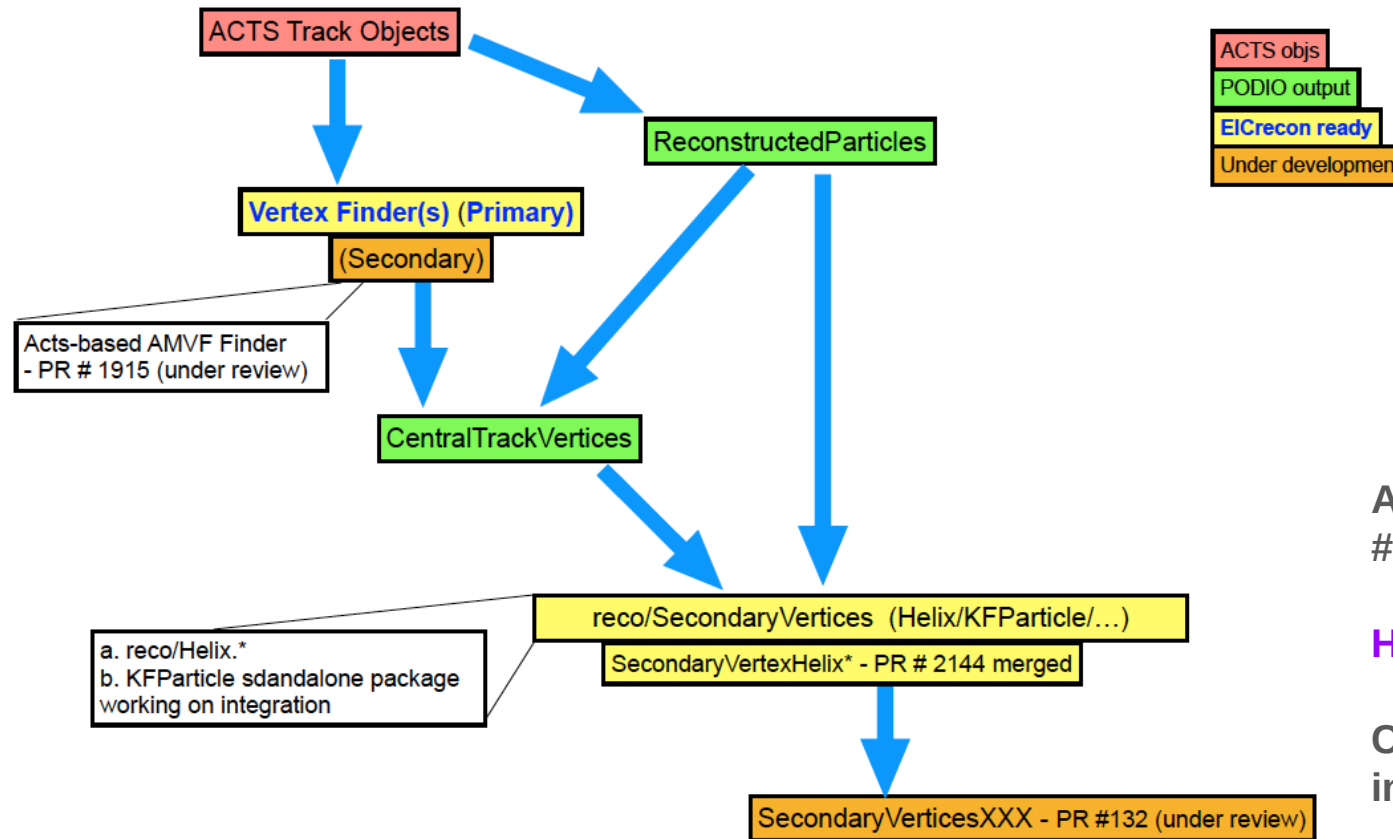
- **Helix Swimming**
- **Chi2 minimization (considers track errors): Shyam**
- AdaptiveMultiVertexFinder (considers track errors): Bishoy
- KFParticle (considers track errors): Xin and others



Based on
Kalman filter

Secondary Vertex

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AMVF - under review (PR #1915)

Helix - merged (PR #2144)

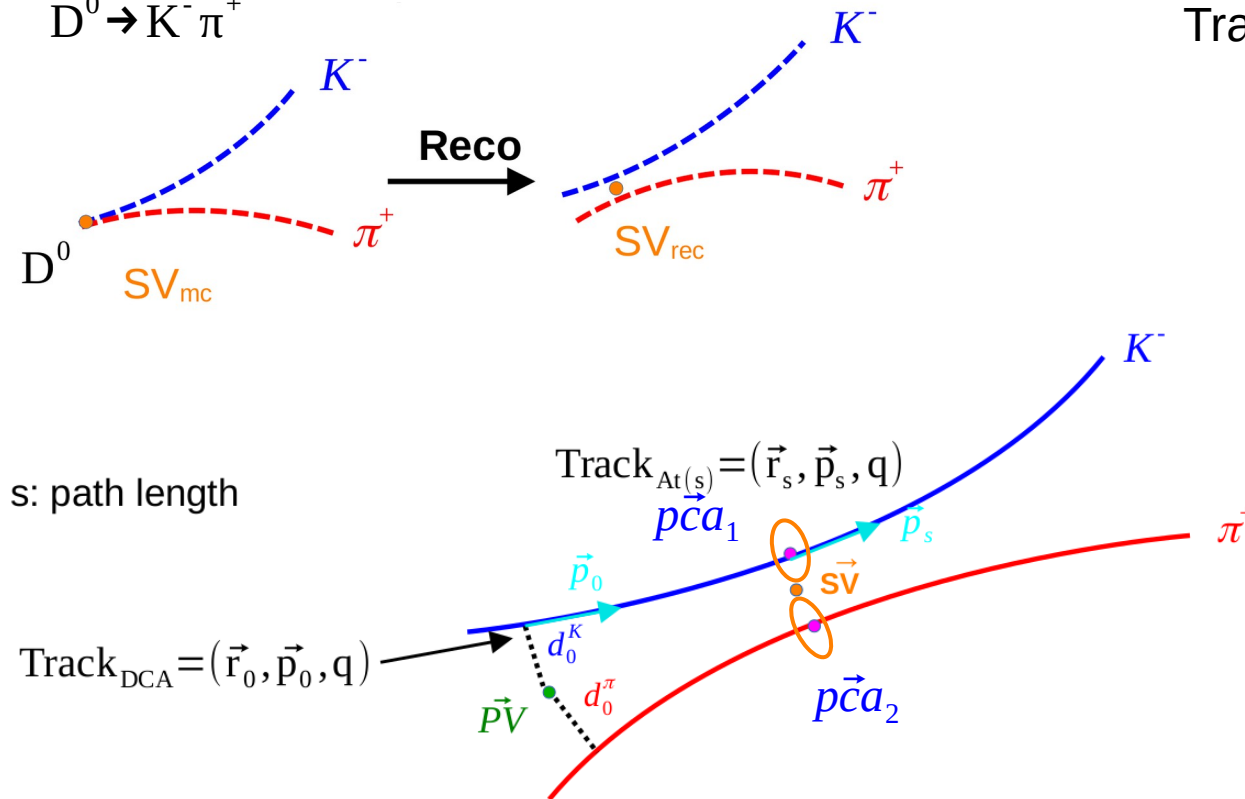
Chi2 fitting-need to implement
in EICRecon

KFParticle - under development

Helix Swimming

Method based on STAR experiment which use track parameters to determine the vertex position

$$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$$



Track parameters (DCA):

$$(l_0, l_1, \phi, \theta, q/p) \quad \text{Local}$$

$$(x, y, z, p_x, p_y, p_z) \quad \text{Global}$$

$$x = -l_0 \sin \phi, y = -l_0 \cos \phi, z = l_1$$

$$p_x = p \cos \phi \sin \theta, p_y = p \sin \phi \sin \theta$$

$$p_z = p \cos \theta, q = \text{sign}(q/p)$$

$$\vec{SV} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{pca}_1 + \vec{pca}_2)$$

Ignores the track **uncertainties**

Implemented in EICRecon (Xin dong, LBL)

Next: Compared the results from EICRecon to local code on the same simulation file, the two must be exactly same

Information used: **Track parameters**

Chi2 Minimization

S. Kumar, INFN

$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$

Considering the tracking errors
Minimization of chi-square

Helix swimming is used for
helix definition

$$\text{Track}_{\text{At}(s)} = (\vec{r}_s, \vec{p}_s, q)$$

$$p\vec{c}a_1 = \vec{r}_{s1} = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$$

$$\vec{p}_s$$

$$\vec{S}\vec{V}$$

$$p\vec{c}a_2 = \vec{r}_{s2} = (x_2, y_2, z_2)$$

$$\text{Track}_{\text{DCA}} = (\vec{r}_0, \vec{p}_0, q)$$

uncertainties

$$\vec{P}\vec{V}$$

Parameters: (v_x, v_y, v_z, S_1, S_2)

For a given track: $x = -l_0 \sin \phi$, $y = l_0 \cos \phi$, $z = l_1$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_x^2 &= \sin^2 \phi \cdot \sigma_{l_0}^2 + l_0^2 \cos^2 \phi \cdot \sigma_\phi^2 + 2 \cdot l_0 \sin \phi \cos \phi \cdot \text{Cov}(l_0, \phi) \\ \sigma_y^2 &= \cos^2 \phi \cdot \sigma_{l_0}^2 + l_0^2 \sin^2 \phi \cdot \sigma_\phi^2 - 2 \cdot l_0 \sin \phi \cos \phi \cdot \text{Cov}(l_0, \phi) \\ \sigma_z^2 &= \sigma_{l_1}^2\end{aligned}$$

Minimize chi2:

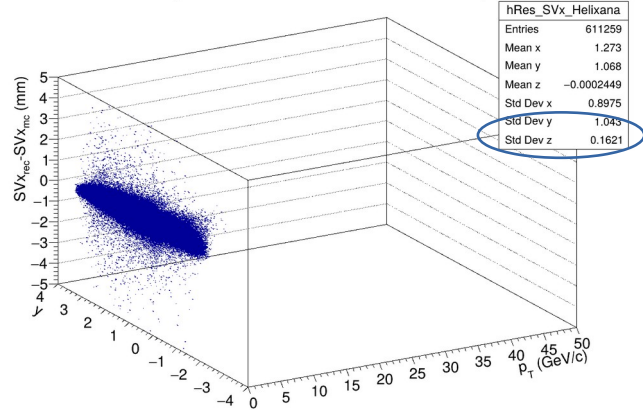
$$\chi^2 = \frac{(x_1 - v_x)^2}{\sigma_{x1}^2} + \frac{(x_2 - v_x)^2}{\sigma_{x2}^2} + \frac{(y_1 - v_y)^2}{\sigma_{y1}^2} + \frac{(y_2 - v_y)^2}{\sigma_{y2}^2} + \frac{(z_1 - v_z)^2}{\sigma_{z1}^2} + \frac{(z_2 - v_z)^2}{\sigma_{z2}^2}$$

Information used: **Track parameters and Covariance**

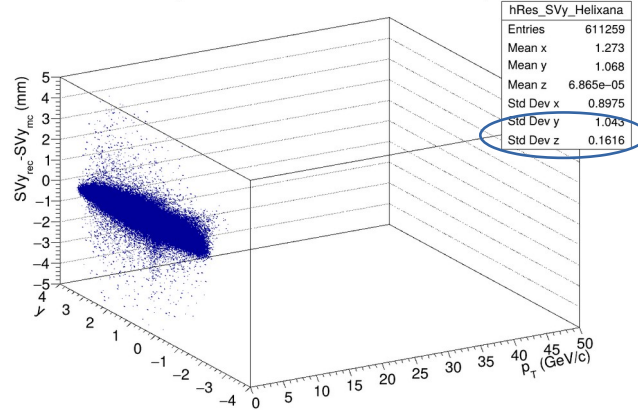
Comparison of Results (Helix Swimming and Chi2)

Helix Swimming

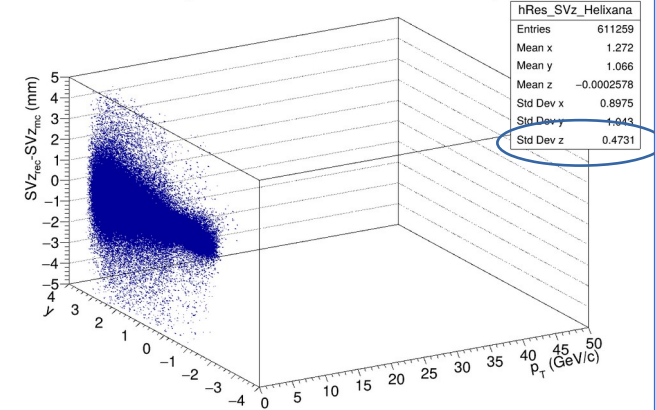
Analytical method: Residual of SV (X)



Analytical method: Residual of SV (Y)

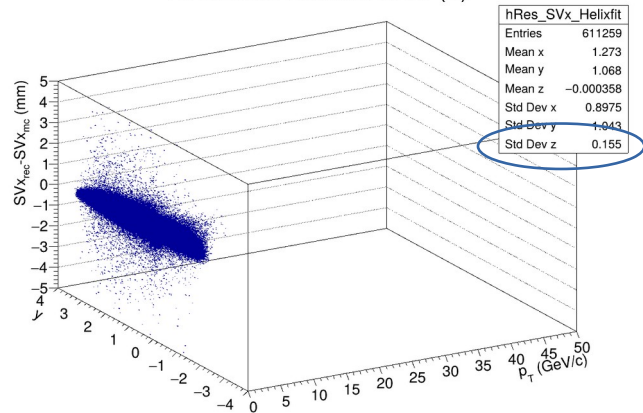


Analytical method: Residual of SV (Z)

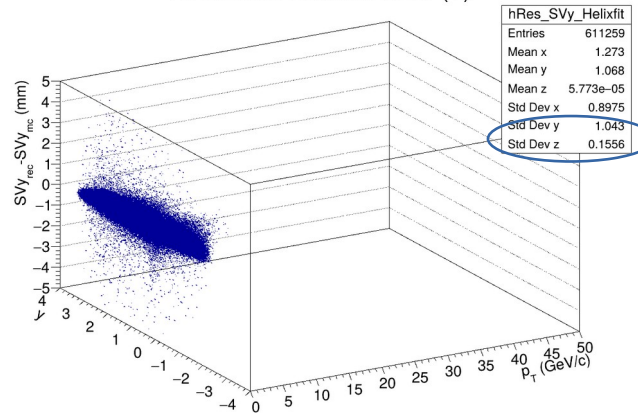


Chi2 fitting

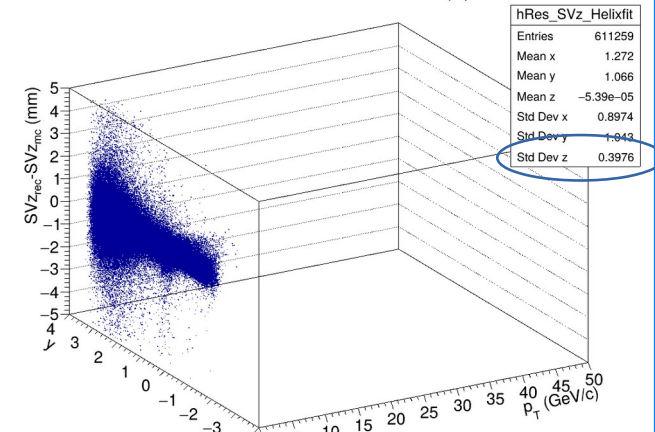
Fit method: Residual of SV (X)



Fit method: Residual of SV (Y)



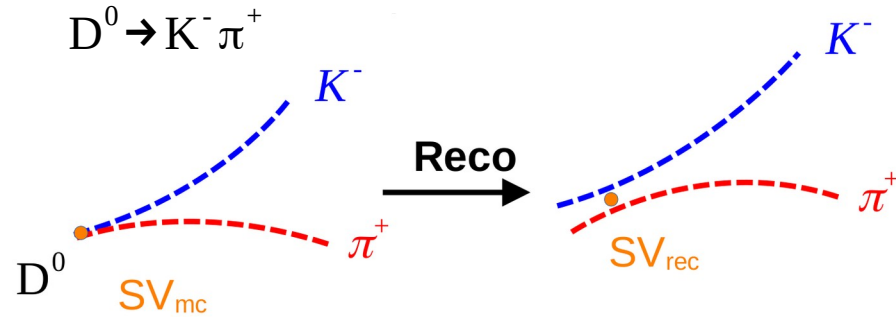
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Secondary Vertex Resolution

Chi-square minimization using track parameters and covariances

D^0 Sample
ep (10x100, $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$)



Fit Range: Mean $\pm$ 2*StdDev

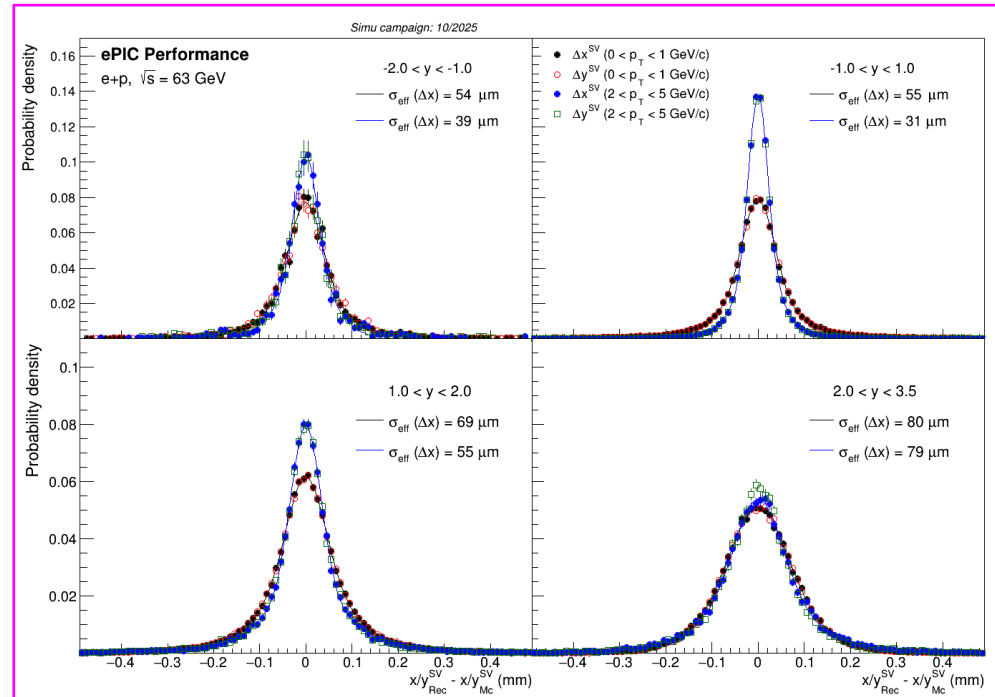
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preTDR

Two Gaussian (A_{core} , σ_{core} , A_{tail} , σ_{tail})

$$\sigma_{eff} = \sqrt{\frac{A_{core}}{(A_{core} + A_{tail})} \sigma_{core}^2 + \frac{A_{tail}}{(A_{core} + A_{tail})} \sigma_{tail}^2}$$

σ_{eff} decreases as we go at high p_T

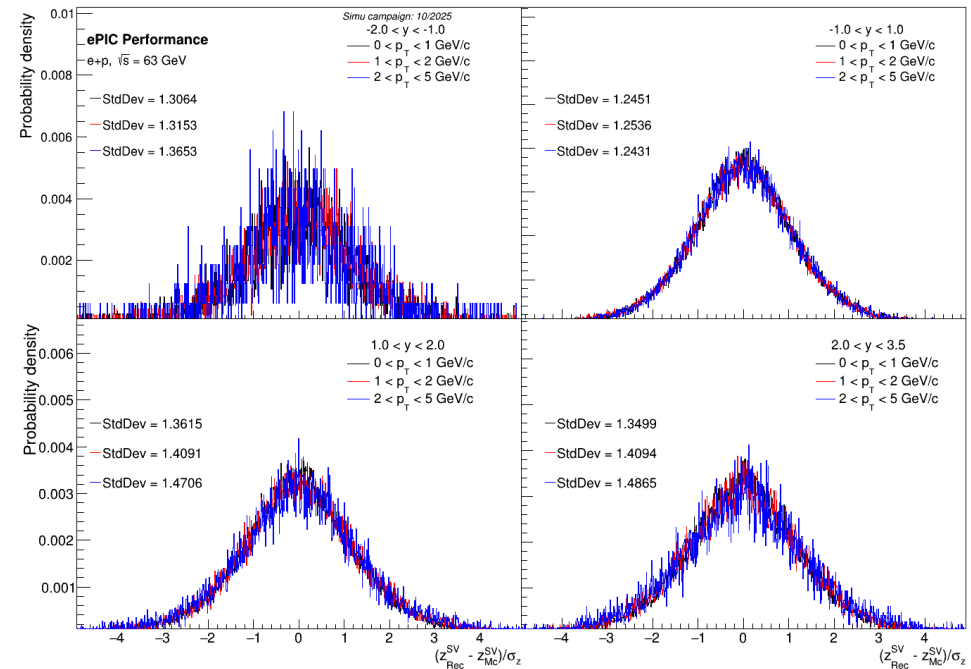
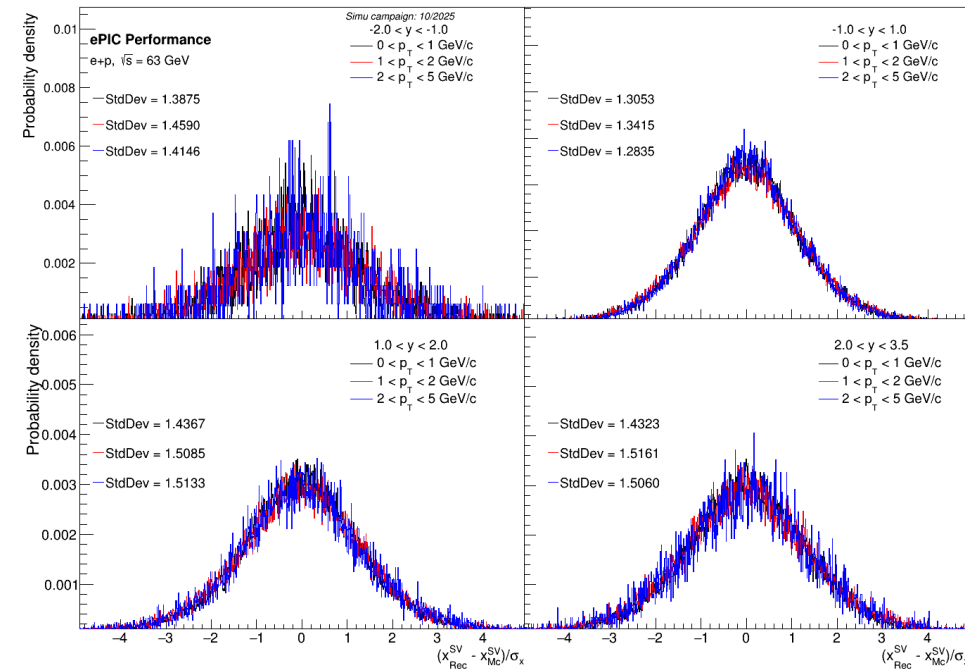


$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$

$$\text{Pulls} = \frac{SV_{\text{rec}}^x - SV_{\text{mc}}^x}{\sigma_x}$$

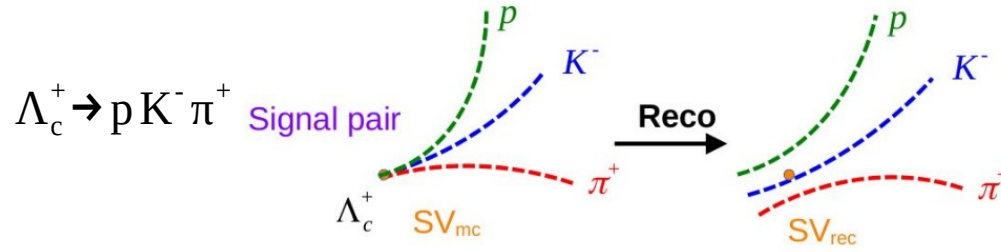
D^0 Sample **10.2025**
ep (10x100, Q2 > 1 GeV²)

$$\text{Pulls} = \frac{SV_{\text{rec}}^z - SV_{\text{mc}}^z}{\sigma_z}$$



Topological features and ML

Pull distributions

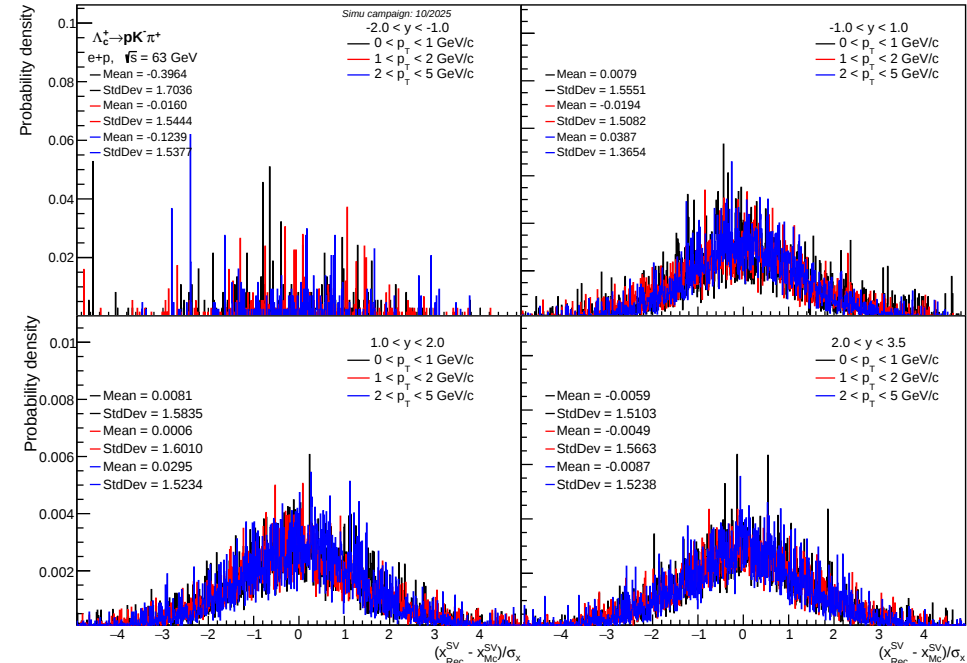
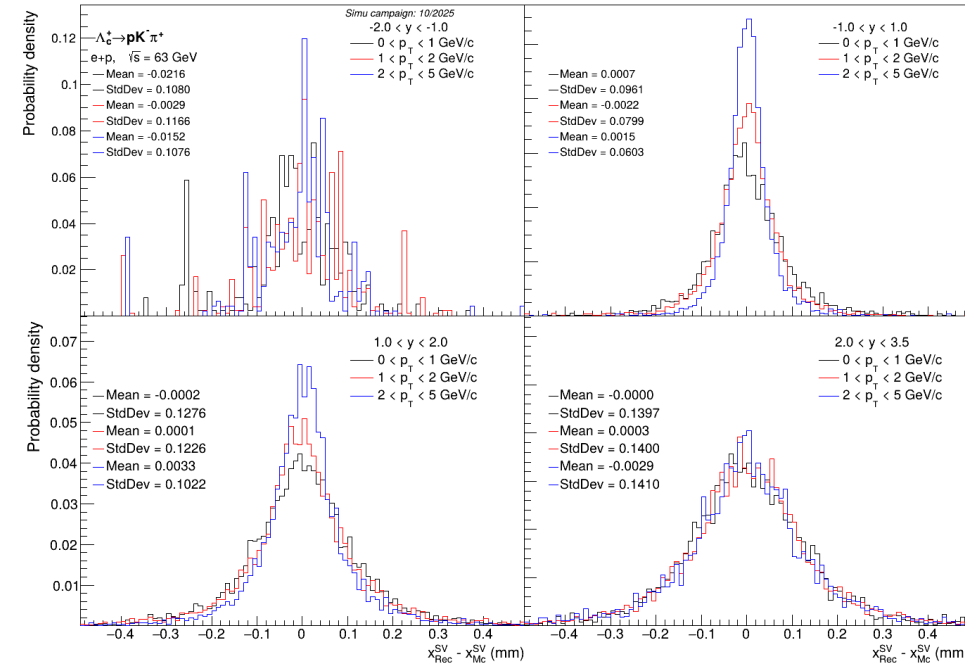


Λ_c Sample
ep (10x100, $Q_2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$)

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$$(SV_{rec}^x - SV_{mc}^x) \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{Pulls} = \frac{SV_{rec}^x - SV_{mc}^x}{\sigma_x}$$



AdaptiveMultiVertexFinder (AMVF)

Considers track parameters and covariance (fitting approach: Kalman)

Additional time information can help

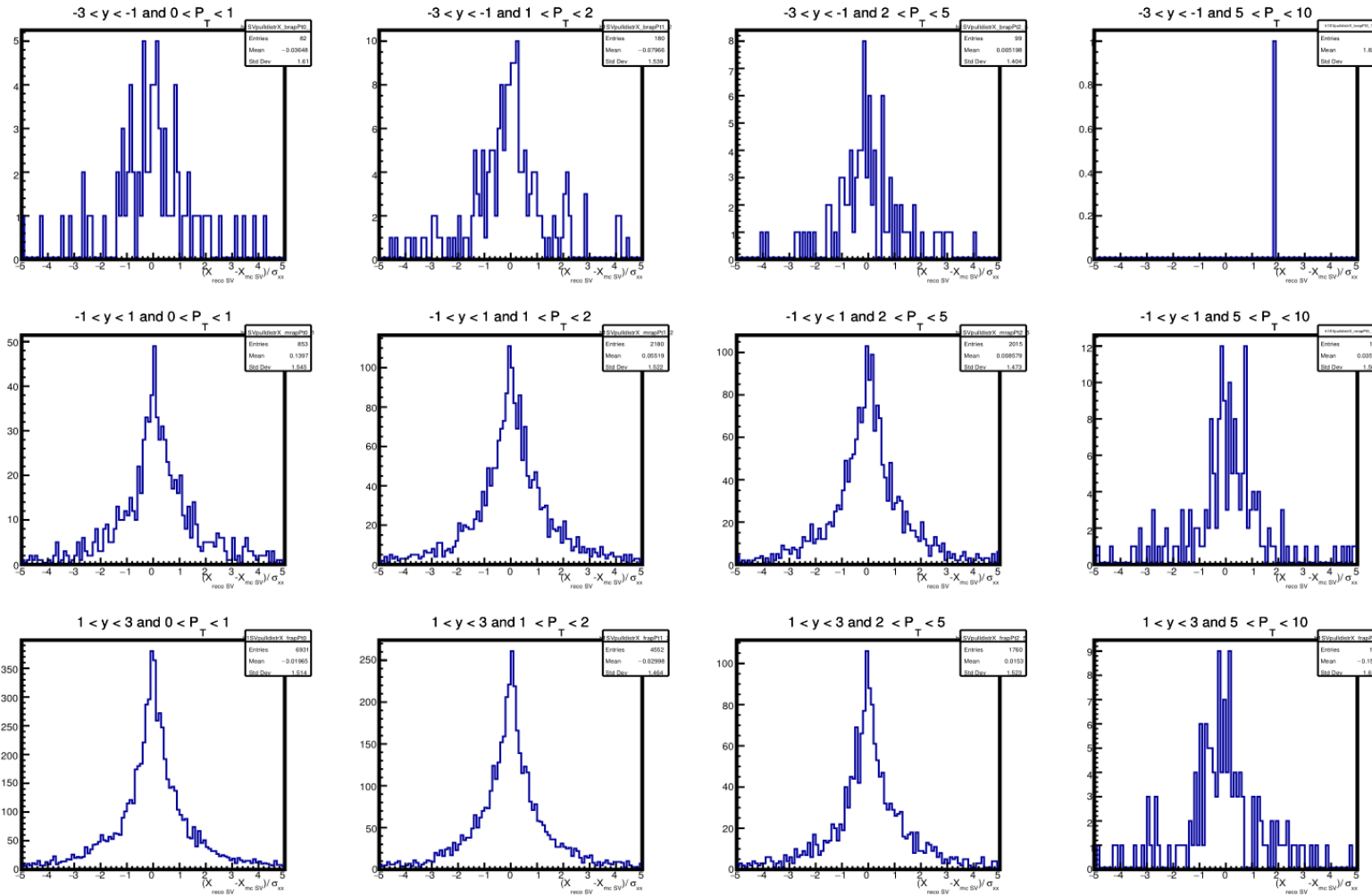
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$\Lambda^0 \rightarrow p \pi^-$

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Pulls are ~ 1.5

Apply on D^0 sample



Information used: Track parameters, time, and Covariance

Considers track parameters and covariance (fitting approach: Kalman)

Additional kinematic constraint e.g. mass

Xin dong, LBL

Implementation Requires:

- Track Parameters in Global Coordinates
- Covariance in Global Coordinates

$(l_0, l_1, \phi, \theta, q/p)$ Local



(x, y, z, p_x, p_y, p_z) Global

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Under development

```
#include <KFParticle/KFTrack.h>
KFParticle t;
t.SetParameters(xyzp);
t.SetCovarianceMatrix(CovXyzp);
t.SetCharge(charge);
```

$C_{(l_0, l_1, \phi, \theta, q/p)}$

	l_0	l_1	ϕ	θ	q/p	$time$
l_0	$\sigma^2(l_0)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, l_1)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, \phi)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, \theta)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, q/p)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, t)$
l_1	.	$\sigma^2(l_1)$	$\text{cov}(l_1, \phi)$	$\text{cov}(l_1, \theta)$	$\text{cov}(l_1, q/p)$	$\text{cov}(l_1, t)$
ϕ	.	.	$\sigma^2(\phi)$	$\text{cov}(\phi, \theta)$	$\text{cov}(\phi, q/p)$	$\text{cov}(\phi, t)$
θ	.	.	.	$\sigma^2(\theta)$	$\text{cov}(\theta, q/p)$	$\text{cov}(\theta, t)$
q/p	.	.	.	.	$\sigma^2(q/p)$	$\text{cov}(q/p, t)$
$time$	.	.	.	.	.	$\sigma^2(t)$

Jacobian Matrix (J)

Global

$$C_{(x, y, z, p_x, p_y, p_z)} = J C_{(l_0, l_1, \phi, \theta, q/p)} J^T$$

Summary

- Helix swimming is already available in EICRecon but ignores the track covariances.
- In the meantime, a Chi2-fitting method is used in the analysis for D^0 and Λ_c^+ , which uses track parameters and covariances and also allows access to the chi2 of the fit
- AMVF can be very useful with timing information (pull request not merged yet)
- KFParticle can be further helpful and is widely used for heavy-flavor analyses in the community (still development)

Thank You !

Secondary Vertex Reconstruction (D^0)

	l_0	l_1	ϕ	θ	q/p	$time$
l_0	$\sigma^2(l_0)$	$cov(l_0, l_1)$	$cov(l_0, \phi)$	$cov(l_0, \theta)$	$cov(l_0, q/p)$	$cov(l_0, t)$
l_1	.	$\sigma^2(l_1)$	$cov(l_1, \phi)$	$cov(l_1, \theta)$	$cov(l_1, q/p)$	$cov(l_1, t)$
ϕ	.	.	$\sigma^2(\phi)$	$cov(\phi, \theta)$	$cov(\phi, q/p)$	$cov(\phi, t)$
θ	.	.	.	$\sigma^2(\theta)$	$cov(\theta, q/p)$	$cov(\theta, t)$
q/p	.	.	.	.	$\sigma^2(q/p)$	$cov(q/p, t)$
$time$	.	.	.	.	.	$\sigma^2(t)$

For a given track: $x = -l_0 \sin\phi$, $y = l_0 \cos\phi$, $z = l_1$

$$\sigma_x^2 = \sin^2\phi \cdot \sigma_{l_0}^2 + l_0^2 \cos^2\phi \cdot \sigma_\phi^2 + 2 \cdot l_0 \sin\phi \cos\phi \cdot Cov(l_0, \phi)$$

$$\sigma_y^2 = \cos^2\phi \cdot \sigma_{l_0}^2 + l_0^2 \sin^2\phi \cdot \sigma_\phi^2 - 2 \cdot l_0 \sin\phi \cos\phi \cdot Cov(l_0, \phi)$$

$$\sigma_z^2 = \sigma_{l_1}^2$$

Chi2 Minimization Code

$$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$$

```
// Define function for Chi2 minimization between two helices
struct Chi2Minimization {
    StPhysicalHelix fhelix1, fhelix2;
    std::array<float, 21> fcov1, fcov2; // full covariance matrix

    Chi2Minimization(StPhysicalHelix helix1, StPhysicalHelix helix2, std::array<float, 21> cov1, std::array<float, 21> cov2) : fhelix1(helix1), fhelix2(helix2), fcov1(cov1), fcov2(cov2) {}
    // Implementation of the function to be minimized
    double operator() (const double *par) {
        double x = par[0];
        double y = par[1];
        double z = par[2];
        double s1 = par[3];
        double s2 = par[4];
        double f = 0;
        TVector3 vertex(x, y, z);
        TVector3 p1 = fhelix1.at(s1);
        TVector3 p2 = fhelix2.at(s2);
        TVector3 mom1 = fhelix1.momentumAt(s1, bField * tesla);
        TVector3 mom2 = fhelix2.momentumAt(s2, bField * tesla);

        // x= -l0 sinφ , y=l0 cosφ , z=l
        // Recalculate l0 at PCA for error propagation
        float l0_track1 = p1.Pt(); float l1_track1 = p1.Z(); double phi_track1 = mom1.Phi();
        float l0_track2 = p2.Pt(); float l1_track2 = p2.Z(); double phi_track2 = mom2.Phi();
        // Track1: σx^2=sin^2φ·σl0^2+l0^2cos^2φ·σφ^2+2·l0sinφcosφ·Cov(l0,φ)
        float sigx1_2 = sin(phi_track1)*sin(phi_track1)*fcov1[0] + l0_track1*l0_track1*cos(phi_track1)*cos(phi_track1)*fcov1[5] + 2.0*l0_track1*sin(phi_track1)*cos(phi_track1)*fcov1[3];
        float sigx2_2 = sin(phi_track2)*sin(phi_track2)*fcov2[0] + l0_track2*l0_track2*cos(phi_track2)*cos(phi_track2)*fcov2[5] + 2.0*l0_track2*sin(phi_track2)*cos(phi_track2)*fcov2[3];

        // σy^2=cos^2φ·σl0^2+l0^2sin^2φ·σφ^2-2·l0sinφcosφ·Cov(l0,φ)
        float sigy1_2 = cos(phi_track1)*cos(phi_track1)*fcov1[0] + l0_track1*l0_track1*sin(phi_track1)*sin(phi_track1)*fcov1[5] - 2.0*l0_track1*sin(phi_track1)*cos(phi_track1)*fcov1[3];
        float sigy2_2 = cos(phi_track2)*cos(phi_track2)*fcov2[0] + l0_track2*l0_track2*sin(phi_track2)*sin(phi_track2)*fcov2[5] - 2.0*l0_track2*sin(phi_track2)*cos(phi_track2)*fcov2[3];

        // σz^2
        float sigz1_2 = fcov1[2];
        float sigz2_2 = fcov2[2];
        double d1_x = 10.*(vertex - p1).X(); double d2_x = 10.*(vertex - p2).X();
        double d1_y = 10.*(vertex - p1).Y(); double d2_y = 10.*(vertex - p2).Y();
        double d1_z = 10.*(vertex - p1).Z(); double d2_z = 10.*(vertex - p2).Z();

        f = d1_x*d1_x/sigx1_2 + d2_x*d2_x/sigx2_2 + d1_y*d1_y/sigy1_2 + d2_y*d2_y/sigy2_2 + d1_z*d1_z/sigz1_2 + d2_z*d2_z/sigz2_2; // chi2
        return f;
    }
}
```

Root files store the **covariance at the DCA**

**Note: Covariances are taken from DCA to primary vertex
Need to estimate at pca1 and pca2 can be done in ACTs**

Covariance Matrix in ACTS

For each fitted track we get track parameters and covariance matrix

Track Parameters $(l_0, l_1, \phi, \theta, q/p, \text{time})$

	l_0	l_1	ϕ	θ	q/p	time
l_0	$\sigma^2(l_0)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, l_1)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, \phi)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, \theta)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, q/p)$	$\text{cov}(l_0, t)$
l_1	.	$\sigma^2(l_1)$	$\text{cov}(l_1, \phi)$	$\text{cov}(l_1, \theta)$	$\text{cov}(l_1, q/p)$	$\text{cov}(l_1, t)$
ϕ	.	.	$\sigma^2(\phi)$	$\text{cov}(\phi, \theta)$	$\text{cov}(\phi, q/p)$	$\text{cov}(\phi, t)$
θ	.	.	.	$\sigma^2(\theta)$	$\text{cov}(\theta, q/p)$	$\text{cov}(\theta, t)$
q/p	.	.	.	.	$\sigma^2(q/p)$	$\text{cov}(q/p, t)$
time	.	.	.	.	.	$\sigma^2(t)$

Symmetric matrix: Independent entries = $n(n+1)/2 = 6*7/2 = 21$

Processing ReadCovarianceArray_new.C...

Event 0, number of tracks: 8

Track 0 covariance:

```

cov[0] = 0.0104456
cov[1] = 2.366e-06
cov[2] = 0.0103324
cov[3] = -0.000289634
cov[4] = 7.52669e-07
cov[5] = 8.04972e-06
cov[6] = -8.12589e-07
cov[7] = 0.000284166
cov[8] = 4.50984e-08
cov[9] = 7.82997e-06
cov[10] = 0.000153944
cov[11] = 7.02629e-07
cov[12] = -4.94218e-06
cov[13] = 5.14138e-09
cov[14] = 0.00011838
cov[15] = -1.41347e-06
cov[16] = -3.20263e-06
cov[17] = 3.89044e-08
cov[18] = -8.82041e-08
cov[19] = 2.242e-09
cov[20] = 0.000333566
    
```

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Cov[0] = cov(l0, l0)
Cov[1] = cov(l0, l1)
Cov[2] = cov(l1, l1)
Cov[3] = cov(l0, phi)
cov[4] = cov(l1, phi)
cov[5] = cov(phi, phi)
cov[6] = cov(l0, theta)
cov[7] = cov(l1, theta)
cov[8] = cov(phi, theta)
cov[9] = cov(theta, theta)
cov[10] = cov(l0, q/p)
    
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Cov[11] = cov(l1, q/p)
Cov[12] = cov(phi, q/p)
Cov[13] = cov(theta, q/p)
Cov[14] = cov(q/p, q/p)
Cov[15] = cov(l0, time)
Cov[16] = cov(l1, time)
Cov[17] = cov(phi, time)
Cov[18] = cov(theta, time)
Cov[19] = cov(q/p, time)
Cov[20] = cov(time, time)
    
```

$$\sigma_{l_0} = \sqrt{\text{Cov}[0]} \quad \sigma_{l_1} = \sqrt{\text{Cov}[2]}$$

$$\sigma_{\phi} = \sqrt{\text{Cov}[5]} \quad \sigma_{\theta} = \sqrt{\text{Cov}[9]}$$

$$\sigma_{q/p} = \sqrt{\text{Cov}[14]}$$