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Definitions

- There are 'Global' and 'Self' Alignment methods
- We lack a hardware monitoring system. Once installed we rely on specs and software
 - Software can be checked with simulations (->need geometry)
- In SSD/SVT we used the:
 - STAR (Global) coordinate system (for Clamshell/Sector) placement
 - Local (Wafer/Ladder) system for Ladder placement

• Systems and Math not intuitive. Watch your step



Survey systems/methods not much different

2+

Anode 1

(28876, 0)

Anode 240

+ 7

SURVEY OF LADDERS ON SHELLS (example)



Error of about 25 microns

SURVEY OF WAFERS ON LADDERS (example)



Error of a few microns (taken into account)

SSD

- First non-drifting detector after TPC
 - Important to have good survey info
- Survey info had poor CMM depth resolution
 - Lilian Martin put it in STAR-Db
 - Wafers looked fine on ladders but ladders showed significant rotation and translation shifts in situ (see next picture)
 - Unexpected
- We need to re-survey the ladders, redefine fiducial marks on ladders and support (Eric) and find a way to relate them
 - Ladder orientation(s) -> to check gravitational sagging

We discovered by 'accident' the Lorentz angle effect







Example of correcting a SSD individual ladder rotation around the z-axis

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dvOvertvPuP700

Mean y -0.0006733

207700

0.0788

2.059

0.2136

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Entries

Mean x

RMSx

RMS y

IST

- In principal very similar to SSD but...
 - 1D really
 - No previous experience
 - Different mounting
- Need prototype and tests

PIXEL

- It is engineered to need minimum Soft-alignment work
 - We rely heavily on survey
- We need to decide on ladder representation
 - Need measurements and analysis to do this
- We need survey of all critical structures
 - See slides from Howard Wieman



TPC

- TPC radial coverage 60 -190 cm
- spatial resolutions:

 - $\sigma_{\rho\phi} \approx 600 \ \mu m$ and $\sigma_z \approx 1200 \ \mu m$ for Inner Sectors $\sigma_{\rho\phi} \approx 1200 \ \mu m$ and $\sigma_z \approx 1600 \ \mu m$ for Outer Sectors
- electrons drift in E || B field (z direction)
 - maximum drift length ~ 2m
 - lateral diffusion is reduced
- drift velocity is monitored by laser system: precision ~2 $\times 10^{-4}$ > systematic error in z direction less than 40 μm
- distortions due to E X B effects: space charge, E field distortions
 - are monitored by DCA (distance of closest approach) of the track at the primary vertex and kept on the level better than ${\sim}100\mu{\rm m}$
- GMT and Inner Silicon Dets will help calibration/ monitoring

SSD - A single layer of 2-side Silicon Strip Detector

- It wraps around the SVT as a fourth layer.
- Its primary **purpose** is to provide an **intermediate (non-drifting) point** for track matching **between TPC and SVT (or whatever comes next)**.
- 20 ladders with 16 wafers each mounted on 4 rigid Sectors at ~23 cm from the beam.
- Installed in STAR for Run IV, became fully functional in Run V.
- Strip pitch: 95 μm. Strip length: 4 cm. Stereo angle between p- and n-strips is 35 mrad.
- Intrinsic resolution should be better than ~30 μ m ($\rho\phi$) × 860 μ m (Z).
- Big Advantage: Non-drifting technology.

• Of course there is a Lorentz shift of holes and electrons in $\rho\phi$ direction due to our 5 kG magnetic field (with Lorentz $\theta_{holes} = 4.4^{\circ} \rightarrow 4.4 \mu m$ and $\theta_{electrons} = 1.6^{\circ} \rightarrow 1.6 \mu m$) which produces a sizable effect in Z direction (~ 200 μ m) due to the stereo angle. But it is clear how to account for this effect.



Figures of merit for SVT/SSD precision.

- **Pointing accuracy**, aka **Impact parameter** resolution:
 - **DCA** resolution (in bending XY = $\rho\phi$ plane: σ_{DCA}) and
 - Resolution in non-bending plane: σ_z ,
 - is **figure of merit** for charm decay (cτ~100μm) registration with a vertex detector:
 - $\sigma^2_{\text{DCA}} = \sigma^2_{\text{vertex}} + \sigma^2_{\text{track}} + \sigma^2_{\text{MCS}}$ (the same for non-bending plane),
 - primary vertex resolution: $\sigma_{vertex} \sim 600 \ \mu m / \sqrt{N_{good tracks}}$, for central Au +Au collisions turns out to be better than 20 μm (for minimum biased events ~100 μm), (all 3 terms improve with HFT)
 - track pointing resolution: $\sigma_{\text{track}} \sim 2 \sigma_{\text{XY}}$ in our case, where σ_{XY} is intrinsic detector precision \oplus alignment errors,
 - Multiple Coulomb Scattering (MCS): σ_{MCS} ~ 170µm / p(GeV/c) (from simple analytic estimations)
 - from requirement that the track pointing resolution should be comparable with MCS @ 1 GeV/c then detector resolution (including alignment) should be $\sigma_{XY} < 80 \ \mu m$ and $\sigma_z < 80 \ \mu m$ for both bending and non-bending planes.

Methods

- Methods can naturally be split into two parts:
 - Calibration of SVT Drift velocities on hybrid level, and
 - Alignment of detectors:
 - Assumed (after checking with survey data):
 - Frozen wafer position on ladder from survey data,
 i.e. ladder is the lowest level degree of freedom.
 - Rigid body model: ignore possible twist effects, gravitational/stress sagging etc.
- The methods are **interconnected** and this supposes **iterative** procedure i.e.
 - using average drift velocities to do alignment and
 - after the alignment, check and correct drift velocities
 - …and iterate

SURVEY

- Survey was performed for both SSD and SVT
- For the SVT we got information about:
 - Wafers on Ladder (High precision [<1micron] Nikon camera)
 - Ladders on Clamshells (~25 micron accuracy)
- No survey info for relative Clamshell placement
- No survey in situ
- No re-survey after water leakage or ladder replacement
- No hardware position monitoring in situ
- No cosmics or Z0

Only wafer position on ladder used. The rest just as a starting point for software

<u>Procedure (further details)</u>

SVT drift velocity: the first approximation of SVT drift velocity is obtained from t_min, t_max fits for each hybrid.

TPC only tracks

- Global alignment of SSD (+SVT) with respect to TPC
- (Local) Alignment of SSD ladders: ladders translations up to ~200 μm and rotations (especially around y-axis) of up to ~20mrad. After fine tuning the majority had translations of < 20 μm and rotations <0.5mrad, all within errors.

TPC + SSD tracks

- (Global) Alignment of SVT Clam Shells
- (Local) Alignment of SVT ladders
- Correction to SVT drift velocities. SVT drift velocities have been refitted including extra dependence on drift distance and anode (up to 3rd degree Tchebyshev). This fit reduced hit residuals from ~100 µm to ~10 µm.

TPC + SSD + SVT tracks

- Check consistency and
- re-evaluate SVT & SSD hit errors

Statistics needed:

1 mm \rightarrow ~20 micron: reduction factor 50

→ ~2,500 tracks per SVT sensor

 \rightarrow data sample with ~250,000 tracks -> 250K CuCu events

Methods (alignment) II

- For alignment we use "good" (with well defined parameters) tracks fitted with the primary vertex.
 - Use of primary tracks significantly improves precision of track predictions in Silicon detectors and reduces influence of systematics.
- Precision of the method is checked with simulation (blind)
 - Accuracy $\sim 10 \ \mu m$ in detector position and $\sim 0.1 \ mrad$ in its rotation.
- There is a **problem** when we start **far from minimum** because there are significant **correlations** among alignment parameters.
- To solve this problem as a starting point we use Least-Squares Fit with above derivatives to get first approximation for the parameters.
 - The precision of this method is less than slopes method but it does provide a reasonable approximation to use slopes.

Step 3) SVT Ladder Z-tuning using TPC+SSD info

- Although SVT Shells, as a whole, were good on the average, individual Ladders showed Z-translations up to ~400mkms (but the bulk around 100mkms). We believe that this discrepancy between survey and in-situ positions is due to work done on Shells after the survey was completed (water pipe leakage). Also 2 Ladders were replaced and serviced.
- Touching the detector after the survey is done should be avoided
- After the SVT Ladder fine Z-tuning the majority has translations of <20mkm

http://www.star.bnl.gov/STAR/comp/reco/SVT/Alignment/Pass49_Q/Ladders

• See next slide for example









Example of fine tuning the z position of an SVT ladder using TPC+SSD info

SVT Internal (Self) Alignment Effort

- Though not a 'must have' we would like to have this done for consistency checks
- This is an ongoing effort since currently we do not have a successful method
- We have worked so far on several approaches:
 - An iterative method on track/vertex fitting
 - The SVT/SSD hits are associated with tracks using the TPC tracks and then fitted.
 - The event vertex is determined, the tracks refitted with the vertex and the hit residuals determined
 - A correction is determined and the process starts again with the new hit positions
 - Initial results encouraging
 - The Millipede code was also tried as is
 - Problem of strong correlation of parameters is still not resolved
 - A modified version of this approach is currently under investigation

Summary

- Recent interest in charm physics re-focused STAR's interest in its vertex detectors
- The presence of drift silicon technology (like in ALICE) complicates the task of Alignment
 - but also presence of non-drifting detectors (strips or pixels) will prove invaluable
- Our Global Alignment approach and techniques were successful to overall shifts better than 20 mkm
 - which for this device is sufficient
- The Self-Alignment methods are still under development.
- STAR has an funded R&D active pixel effort for an ultra thin device @ 2cm from the vertex