

# Amplitude analysis of $\Xi_c^0 \rightarrow \Lambda^0 K^- \pi^+$

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# Motivation

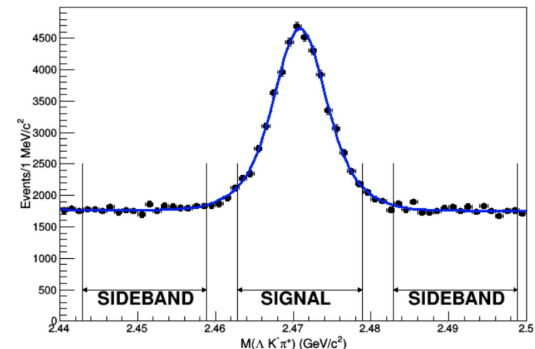
- Many charmed baryon decays display a rich substructure of hyperon resonances which are otherwise hard to study
- Belle has observed many decays of  $\Lambda_c$ ,  $\Xi_c^0$ ,  $\Xi_c^+$  and  $\Omega_c$  but none have been subjected to a full Dalitz-plot analysis
  - $\Xi_c^0, \Xi_c^+$  are particularly worth studying because the excited  $\Xi$  spectrum is not understood
  - M. Sumihama-san et al recently published the  $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow (\Xi^- \pi^+) \pi^+$  substructure, confirming the existence of the  $\Xi(1620)^0$  and is also looking  $\Xi(1690)^0$  in  $\Lambda_c^+$  decays
  - Joseph McNeil and John Yelton performed the amplitude analysis of this type in the similar type of decay  $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow \Xi^0 (K^- K^+)$
- Potential resonant substructure in the decay  $\Xi_c^0 \rightarrow \Lambda^0 K^- \pi^+$ 
  - John Yelton (Florida) has investigated this decay channel in Belle data, but not the resonant substructure.

$$\Xi(1690)^- \rightarrow \Lambda^0 K^-$$

$$\Xi(1820)^- \rightarrow \Lambda^0 K^-$$

$$\Sigma(1385)^+ \rightarrow \Lambda^0 \pi^+$$

$$K^*(892)^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$$



# Theoretical background

- Let  $U^{M,\lambda_\Lambda}$  represent the amplitude for  $\Xi_c^0$  decays to  $\Lambda, K^-$  and  $\pi^+$  ( $\Xi_c^0 \rightarrow \Lambda^0 K^- \pi^+$ )

$$U^{M,\lambda_\Lambda}(\vec{x}) = \langle \Lambda K^- \pi^+ | H | \Xi_c^0 \rangle$$

- The amplitude can be parameterized as:

$$U^{M,\lambda_\Lambda}(\vec{x}) = \sum_{j_X, \lambda_X} V_{j_X, \lambda_X} A_{j_X, \lambda_X}^{M, \lambda_\Lambda}(\vec{x})$$

where  $V_{j_X, \lambda_X} = k_{j_X, \lambda_X} BW_{j_X, \lambda_X}$  describes the propagator of the intermediate state and its coupling to  $\Xi_c^0$  and  $A_{j_X, \lambda_X}^{M, \lambda_\Lambda}$  describes the angular distribution of final-state particles.

- The density of events at  $\vec{x}$  is given by the intensity:

$$I(\vec{x}) = \sum_{M, \lambda_\Lambda} |U^{M, \lambda_\Lambda}(\vec{x})|^2$$

- To extract the couplings,  $k_{j_X, \lambda_X}$ , an unbinned maximum likelihood fit is performed on  $\Lambda^0 K^- \pi^+$  invariant mass.

# Theoretical background contd....

- The probability to make  $N$  independent observations of a quantity  $X$  ( $X_1, \dots, X_N$ ) is given by a joint probability density function (pdf)

$$P(X|\vec{\zeta}) = P(X_1, \dots, X_N|\vec{\zeta}) = \prod_{i=1}^N f(X_i|\vec{\zeta})$$

where,  $f(X_i|\vec{\zeta})$  is the pdf to observe a quantity  $X$  with a set of parameters  $\vec{\zeta}$ . When the variable  $X$  is replaced by experiment observations  $\vec{x}$ , this quantity is called a likelihood:

$$L(\vec{x}, \vec{\zeta}) = \prod_{i=1}^N f(x_i|\vec{\zeta})$$

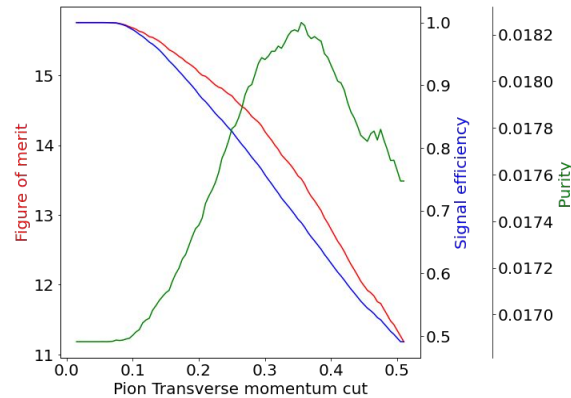
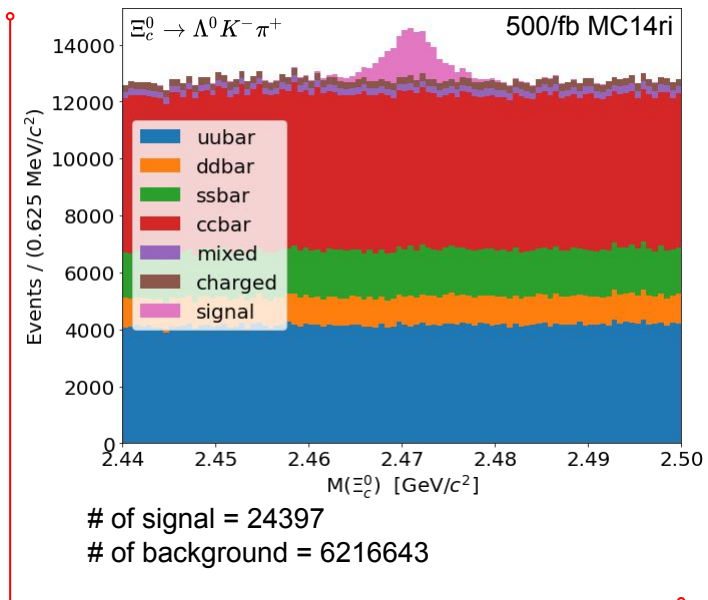
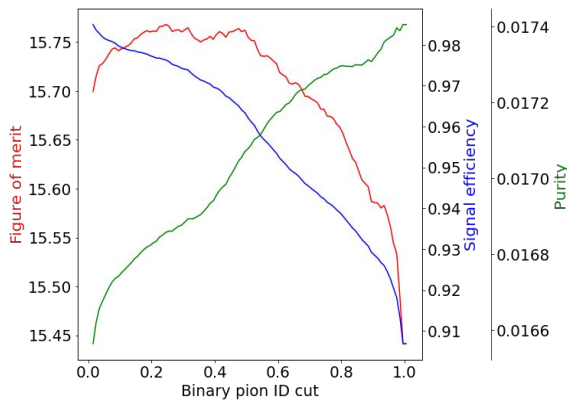
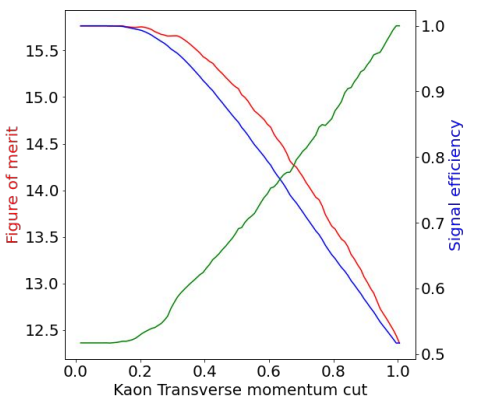
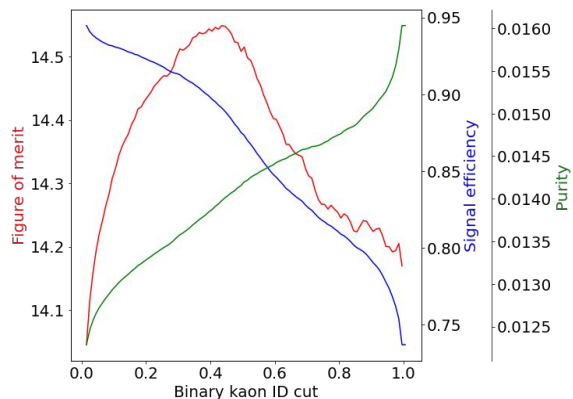
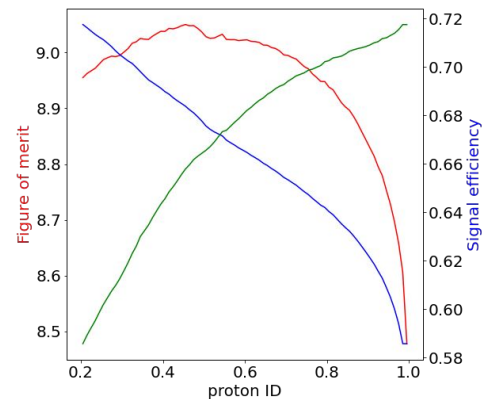
- The probability to find an event in the detector at some location in phase space,  $\vec{x}$ , is given by

$$f(x_i|\vec{\zeta}) = \frac{\eta(\vec{x}) I(\vec{x}|\vec{\zeta})}{\int \eta(\vec{x}) I(\vec{x}|\vec{\zeta}) dx}, \eta(\vec{x}) \text{ is the efficiency of the detector to find an event at } \vec{x}$$

- The propagator is described by a Breit-Wigner function and the coupling is set as a free parameter in an unbinned, maximum likelihood fit to the data. The number and type of intermediate states is varied until an optimal solution is found. Any remaining backgrounds are accounted using background samples added to the data set with negative weights.

$$L(\vec{\zeta}) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_{data}} f(\vec{x}_i|\vec{\zeta}) \prod_{j=1}^{N_{MC}^{bkg}} f(\vec{x}_i|\vec{\zeta})^{-w_j}$$

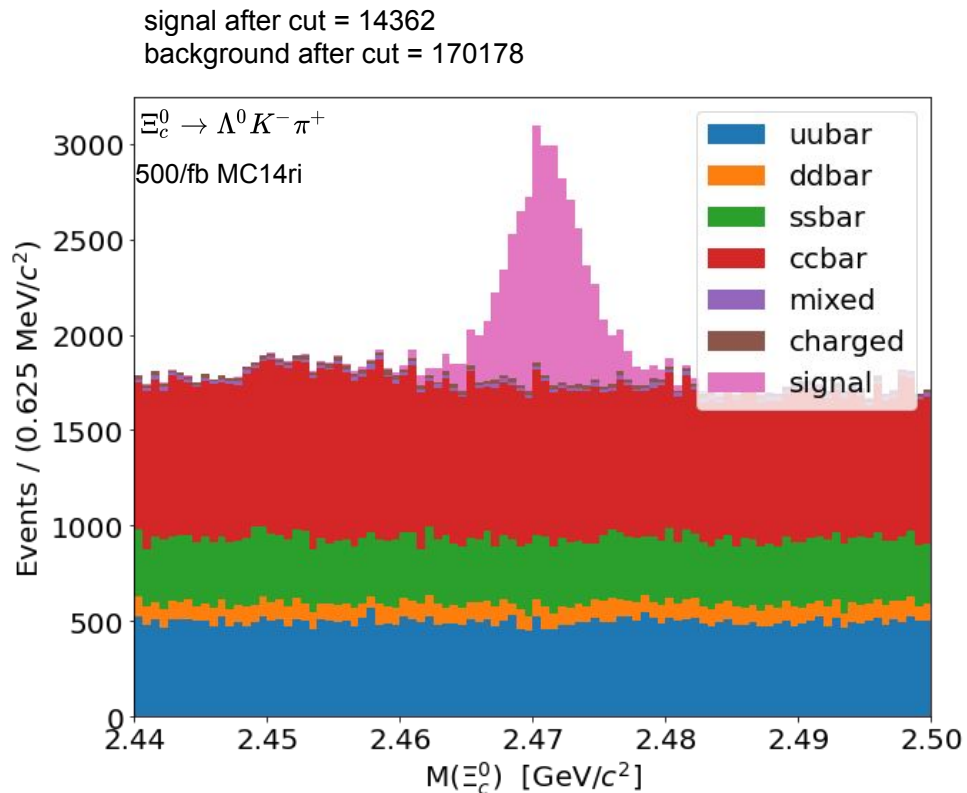
# FOM optimization ( $S/\sqrt{S+B}$ )



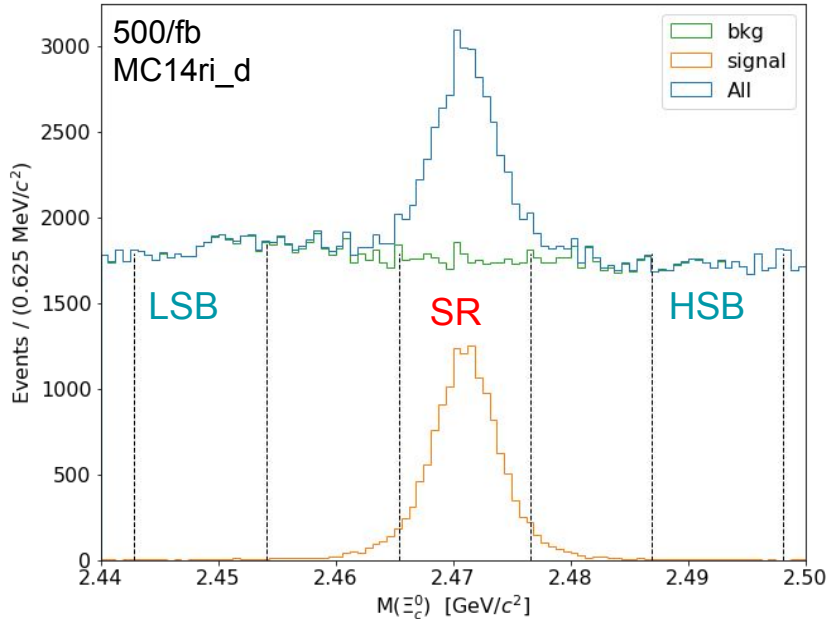
# Signal extraction

## Selection criteria

- For tracks:
  - $\text{thetaInCDCAcceptance}$
  - $\text{nCDCHits} > 20$
  - $\text{dr} < 1$  and  $\text{abs(dz)} < 4$  (prompt only)
- For proton decaying from Lambda:
  - $\text{protonID} > 0.5$
- $X_{ic}$  CMS momentum  $> 2.4$
- Treefit  $\text{chiProb} > 0.001$
- Binary K/pi ID  $> 0.44$  (kaons)
- Binary pi/K ID  $> 0.3$  (pions)
- Kaon  $\text{pt} > 0.1$
- Pion  $\text{pt} > 0.1$



# To prepare a realistic sample



# of signal = 14364

# of signal in SR = 12742

Signal region (SR): 2.4654 - 2.4766 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

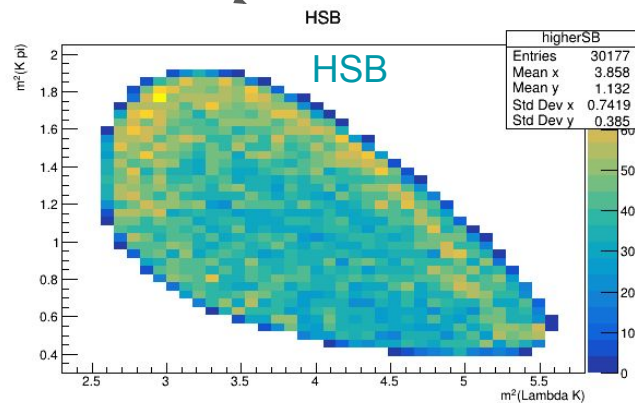
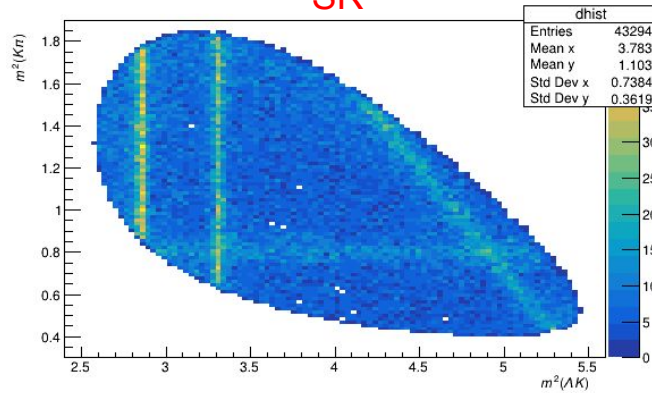
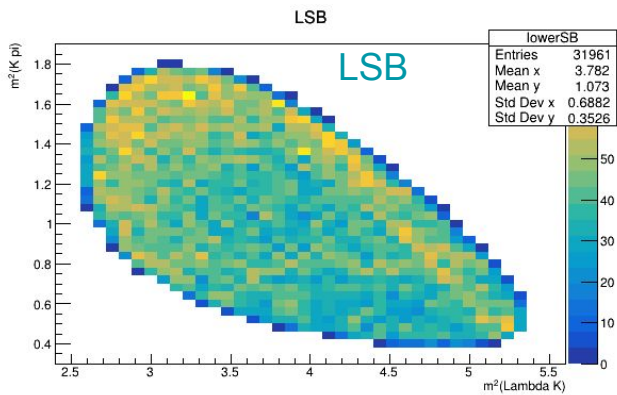
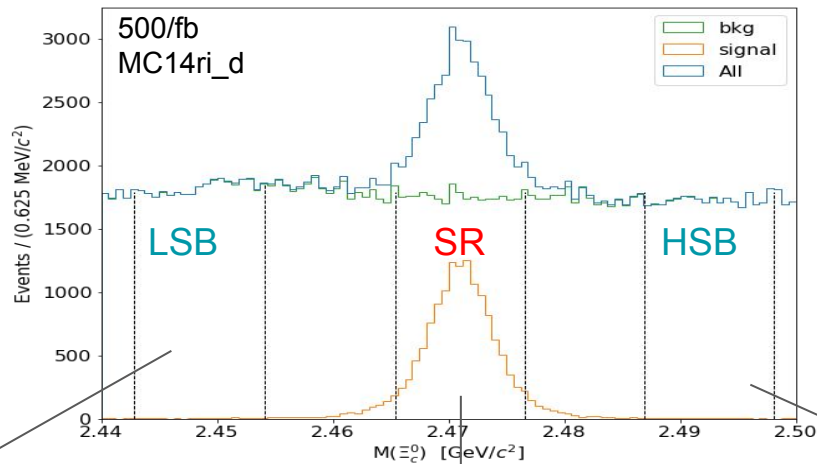
Lower sideband (LSB): 2.4429 - 2.4541 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

Higher sideband (HSB): 2.4869 - 2.4981 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

- Along with the generic sample, 400K signal MC consisting only 4 resonances were generated.
- True signal (isSignal) events from Generic MC was removed, and replaced by scaled (12742 events) signal MC that has 4 resonances.
- Assuming that the bkg in SR behaves the same way as the bkg in SB, events from both side-band region are merged and given the weight of -0.5.
- Bkg subtraction: Finally, SB sample is merged with SR sample for the bkg subtraction of SR.

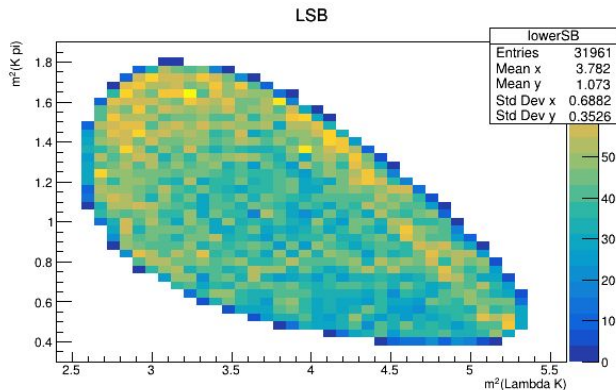


# Dalitz plots

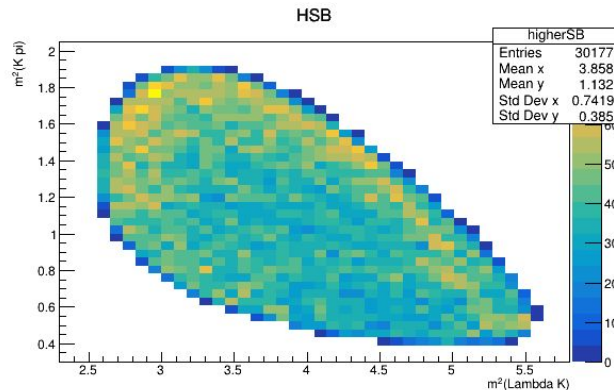


# Difference of Side band dalitz plots

## Lower SB (LSB)

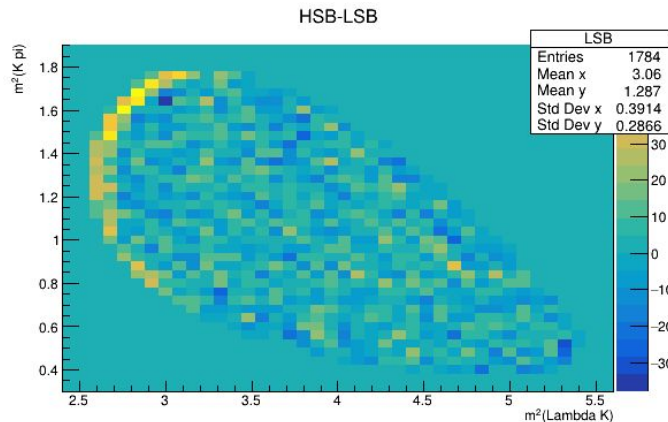


## Higher SB (HSB)



- Bkg: 500/fb MC14ri reconstructed without constraining the  $\Xi_{i,c0}$  mass and applied all the selection criteria.

## Difference: HSB-LSB



# Fit to realistic sample (Signal MC and Generic background)

Test to see which parameter would give best result in terms of fitting fraction:

## Case 1: Spin of Xi 1820 = 3/2, fixed mass and width of resonances

- 12742 reconstructed signal MC (four resonances) + generic background (500/fb) in the SR - SB
- 1M phasespace sample: generated and reconstructed for fitting

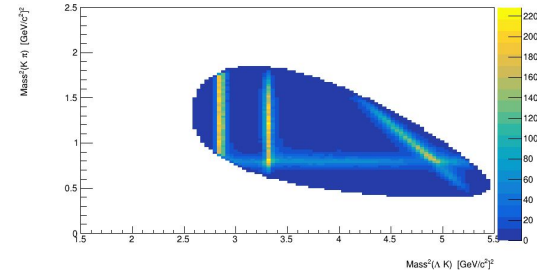
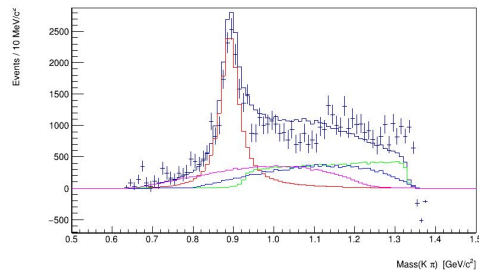
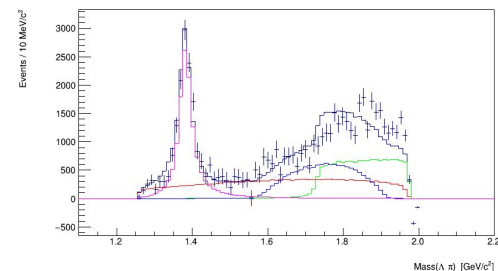
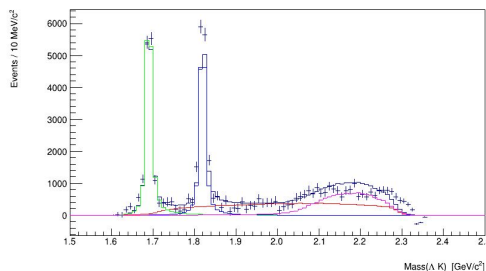
- Fitted with 'correct' parameters:  
Spin  $\Sigma^* = 3/2$ ,  $K^* = 1$ , Xi 1690 = 1/2,  
Xi 1820 = 3/2

- Fitting fractions:

- Generated: 25% each
- Measured:

$$\begin{aligned} K^* &= 0.315 \pm 0.006 \\ \text{Xi 1690} &= 0.260 \pm 0.005 \\ \text{Xi 1820} &= 0.225 \pm 0.004 \\ \Sigma^* &= 0.227 \pm 0.005 \end{aligned}$$

Likelihood: -256892.010



# Fit to realistic sample (Signal MC and Generic background)

Test to see which parameter would give best result in terms of fitting fraction:

## Case 2: Spin of Xi 1820 = 1/2, fixed mass and width of resonances

- 12742 reconstructed signal MC (four resonances) + generic background (500/fb) in the SR - SB
- 1M phasespace sample: generated and reconstructed for fitting

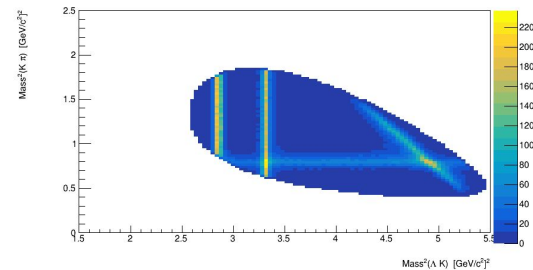
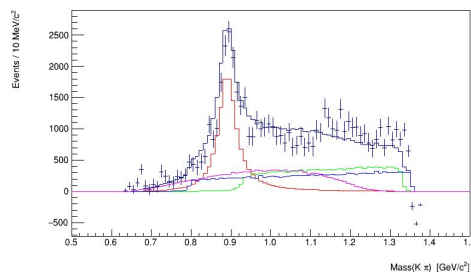
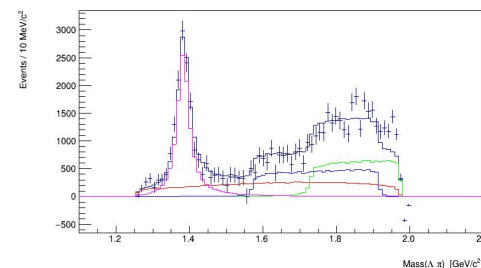
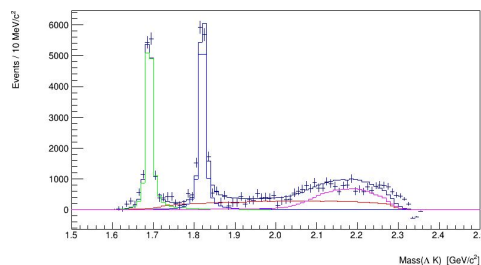
- **Change in the spin of Xi 1820:**  
Spin  $\Sigma^* = 3/2$ ,  $K^* = 1$ , Xi 1690 = 1/2,  
Xi 1820 = 1/2

- Fitting fractions:

- Generated: 25% each
- Measured:

$$\begin{aligned} K^* &= 0.236 \pm 0.005 \\ \text{Xi}^* 1690 &= 0.241 \pm 0.004 \\ \text{Xi}^* 1820 &= 0.243 \pm 0.005 \\ \Sigma^* &= 0.219 \pm 0.005 \end{aligned}$$

Likelihood: -261331.952

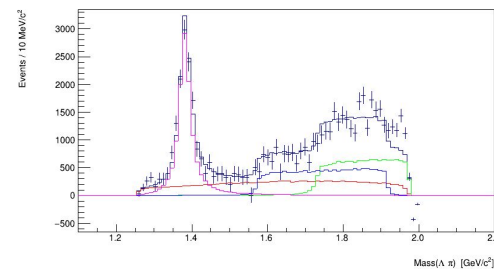
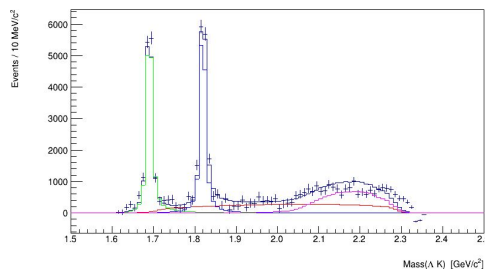


# Fit to realistic sample (Signal MC and Generic background)

Test to see which parameter would give best result in terms of fitting fraction:

## Case 3: Spin of Xi 1820 = 1/2, floating mass and width of resonances except K\*

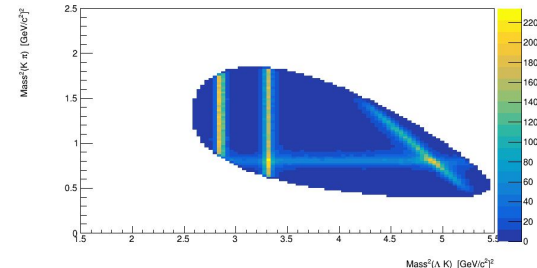
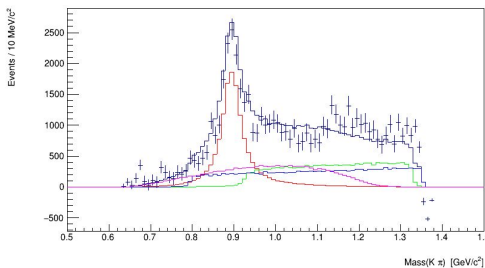
- 12742 reconstructed signal MC (four resonances) + generic background (500/fb) in the SR - SB
- 1M phasespace sample: generated and reconstructed for fitting
- Spin  $\Sigma^* = 3/2$ ,  $K^* = 1$ , Xi 1690 = 1/2, Xi 1820 = 1/2
- Fitted mass and width of resonances:
  - Mass (xi1690) = 1.6901 (1.690)
  - Width (xi1690) = 0.0103 (0.01)
  - Mass (xi1820) = 1.8194 (1.820)
  - Width (xi1820) = 0.0104 (0.01)
  - Mass  $\Sigma^*$  = 1.3810 (1.3828)
  - Width  $\Sigma^*$  = 0.0311 (0.036)



- Fitting fractions measured:

$$\begin{aligned} K^* &= 0.240 \pm 0.005 \\ \text{Xi}^* 1690 &= 0.242 \pm 0.004 \\ \text{Xi}^* 1820 &= 0.241 \pm 0.005 \\ \Sigma^* &= 0.219 \pm 0.005 \end{aligned}$$

Likelihood: -261412.285



# Fit to generated sample with “correct” parameters

$K^* = 0.3450 \pm 0.0011$   
 $\Xi^*(1690) = 0.2659 \pm 0.0009$   
 $\Xi^*(1820) = 0.2197 \pm 0.0008$   
 $\text{Sigma}^* = 0.2183 \pm 0.0009$

Likelihood: -10268241.235

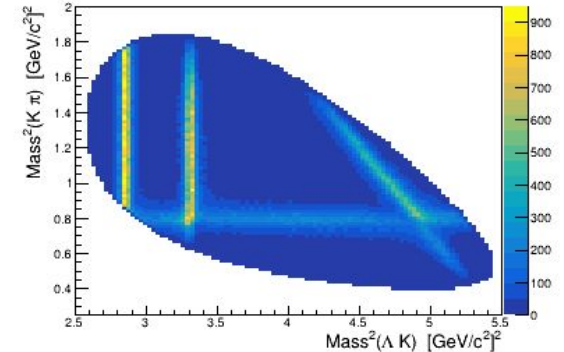
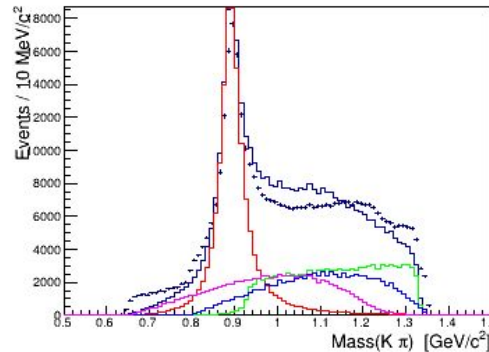
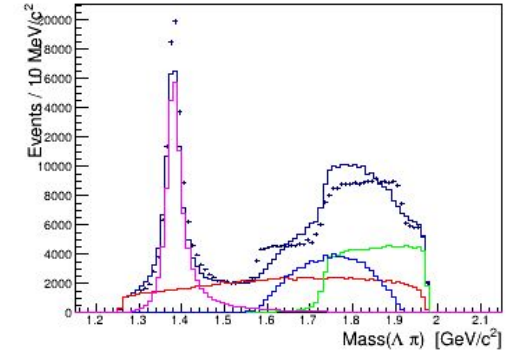
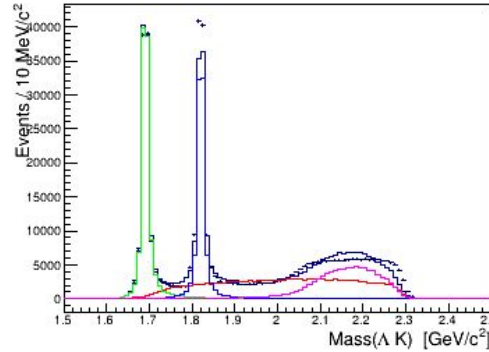
Spin of resonances:

$\Sigma^* = 3/2$

$K^* = 1$

$\Xi(1690) = 1/2$

$\Xi(1820) = 3/2$



# Fit to generated sample with spin $\frac{1}{2}$ $\Xi^*(1820)$

$K^* = 0.2451 \pm 0.0010$   
 $\Xi^*(1690) = 0.2425 \pm 0.0008$   
 $\Xi^*(1820) = 0.2426 \pm 0.0008$   
 $\Sigma^* = 0.2375 \pm 0.0010$

Likelihood: -10395182.763

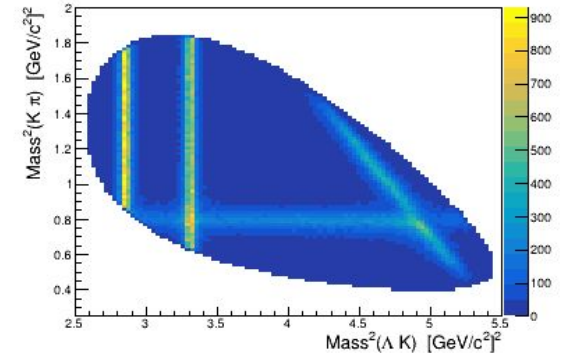
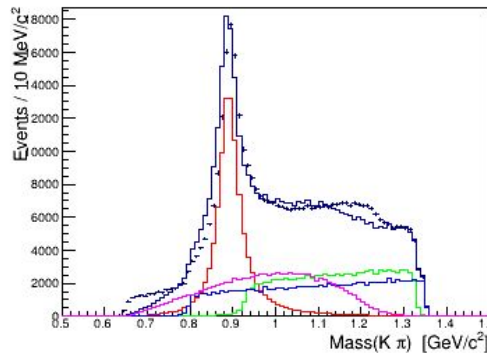
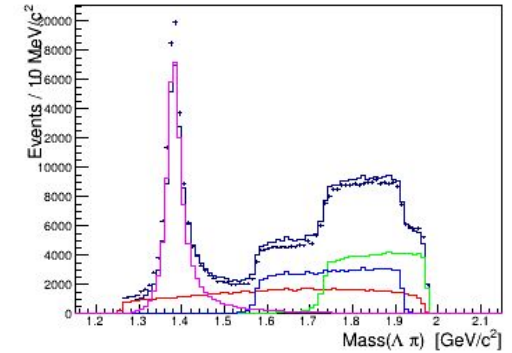
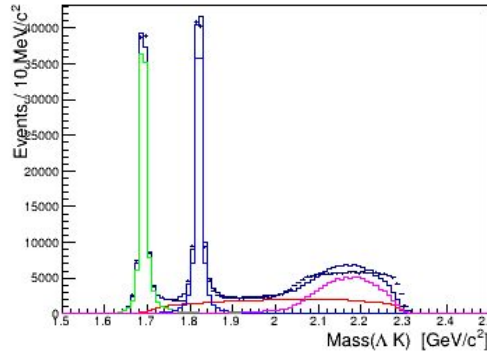
Spin of resonances:

$\Sigma^* = 3/2$

$K^* = 1$

$\Xi(1690) = 1/2$

$\Xi(1820) = 1/2$



# Fit to generated sample with spin 1/2 Sigma\*

$K^* = 0.2317 \pm 0.0009$   
 $\Xi^*(1690) = 0.2435 \pm 0.0008$   
 $\Xi^*(1820) = 0.2514 \pm 0.0008$   
 $\text{Sigma}^* = 0.2428 \pm 0.0009$

Likelihood: -10517900.458

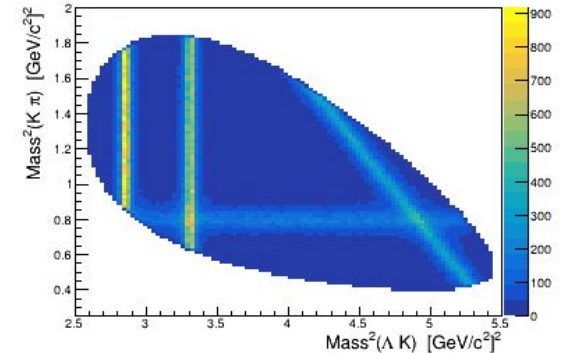
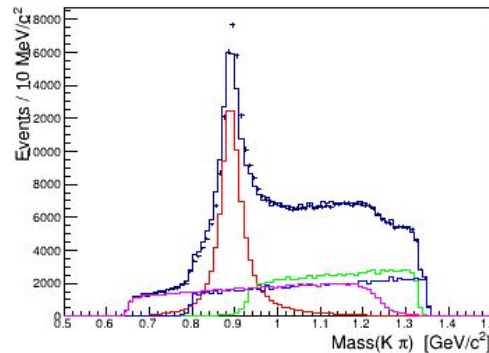
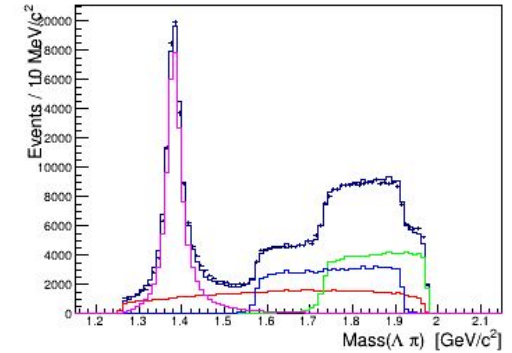
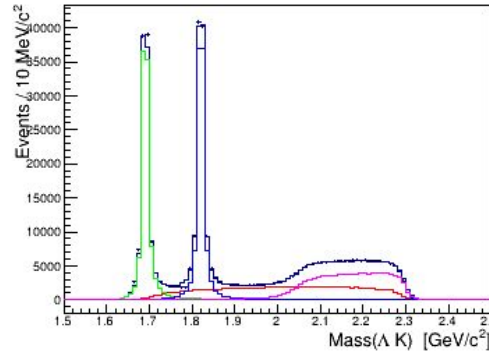
Spin of resonances:

$\Sigma^* = 1/2$

$K^* = 1$

$\Xi(1690) = 1/2$

$\Xi(1820) = 1/2$





# Summary

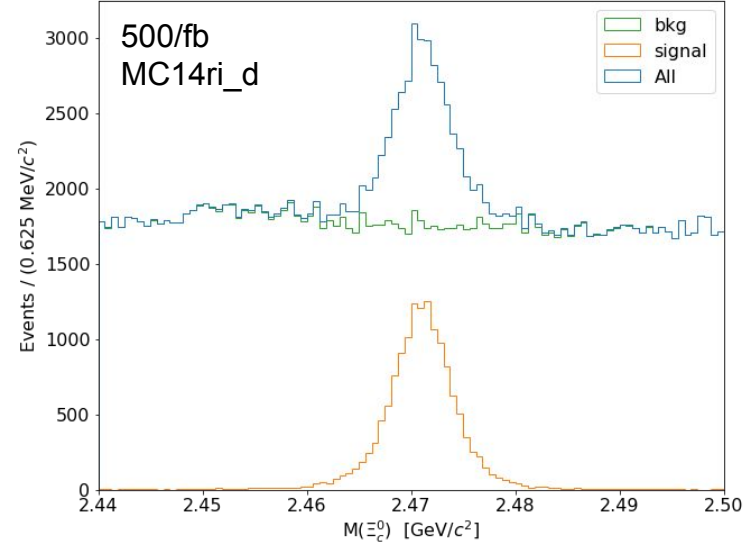
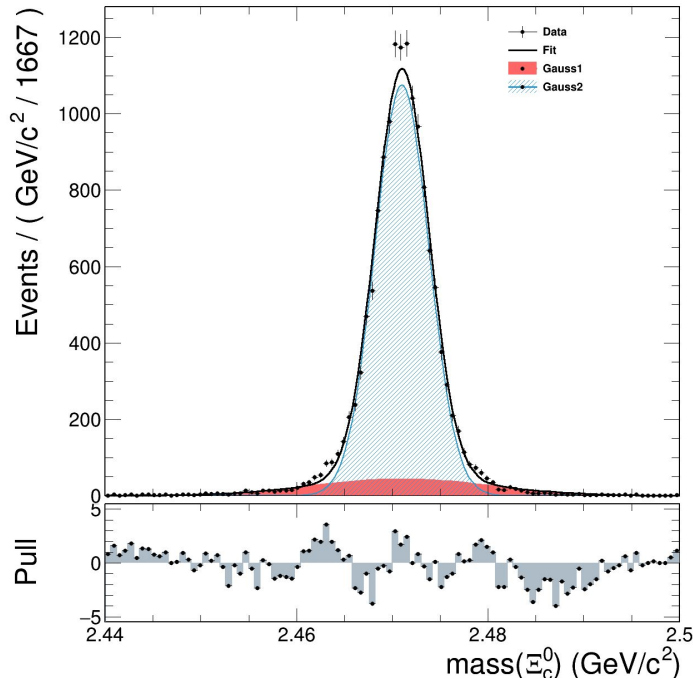
- Signal is separated from the background using several selection criteria.
- Signal region and sideband are separated using the sigma value gotten from the fitting (Double gaussian) of signal events of 500/fb of MC14ri sample.
- Fitting is done in the generated sample to see if we can extract the input parameters.
- Fitting is also done to the “realistic sample” of the SR taking into account the bkg subtraction.

THANK YOU !

# Backup slides

# Double gaussian fit to signal

- Double gaussian fitting to signal only
- 500/fb MC14ri\_d



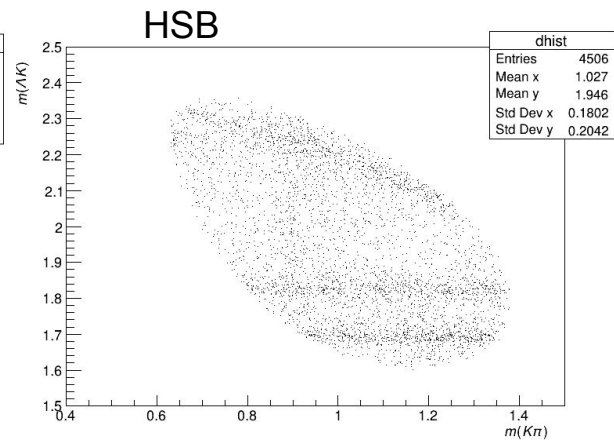
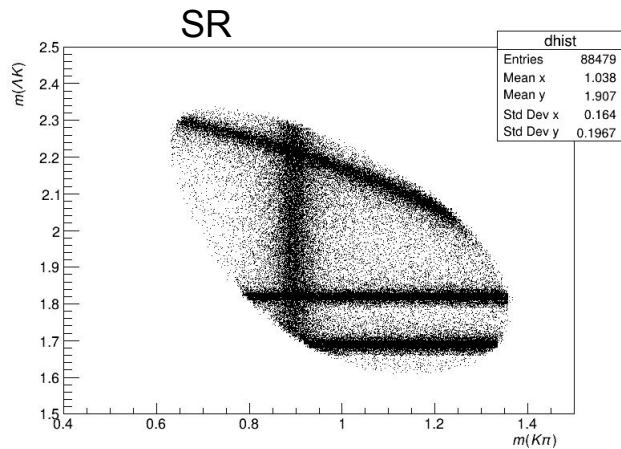
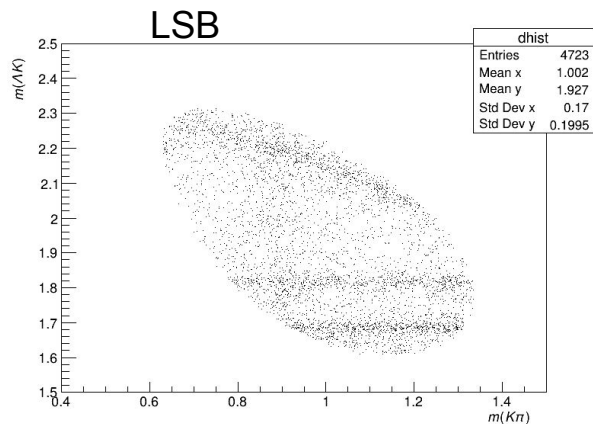
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Number of background = 170178

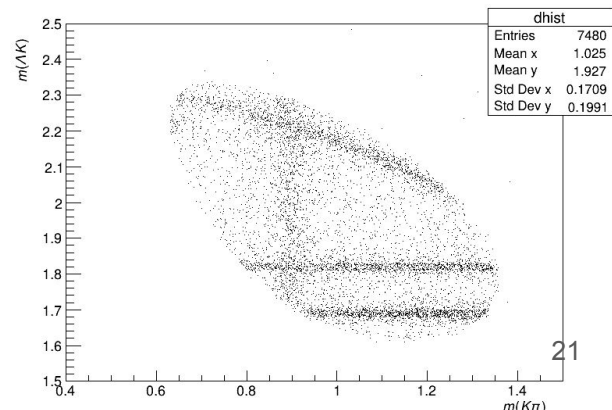
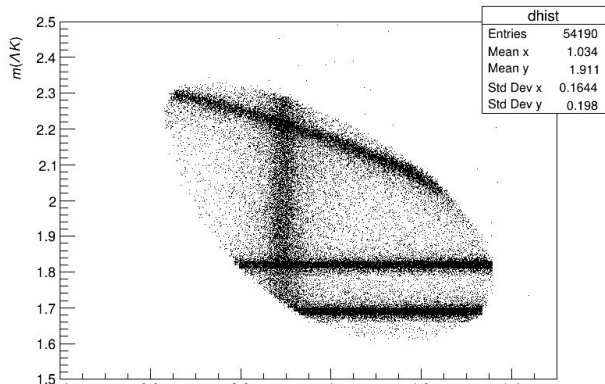
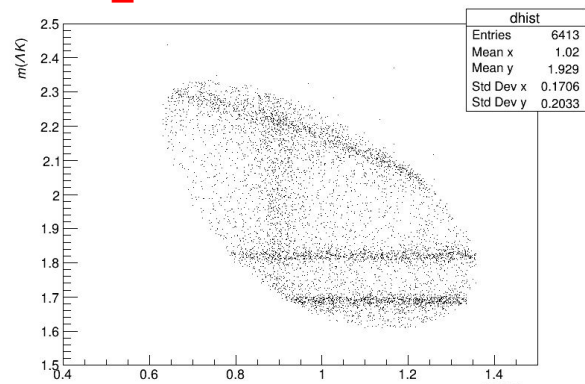
- The fitting is done to separate the signal region and sideband region using sigma value of the fit.
- $\sigma = 0.0028$
- Since the entire mass window is from 2.44 - 2.50, the  $5\sigma$  forces the SB to lie out of the mass window. So  $4\sigma$  is used here.

# Dalitz plots of Generated sample

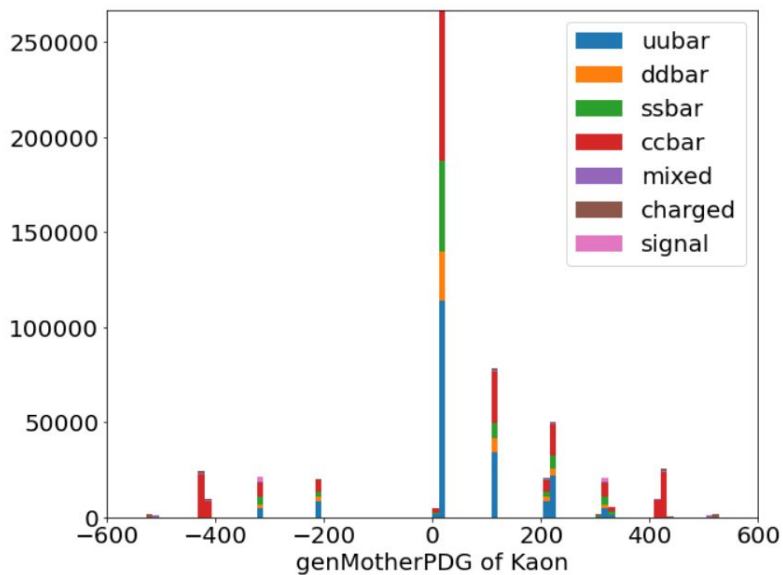
Xi\_c0 mass NOT constrained



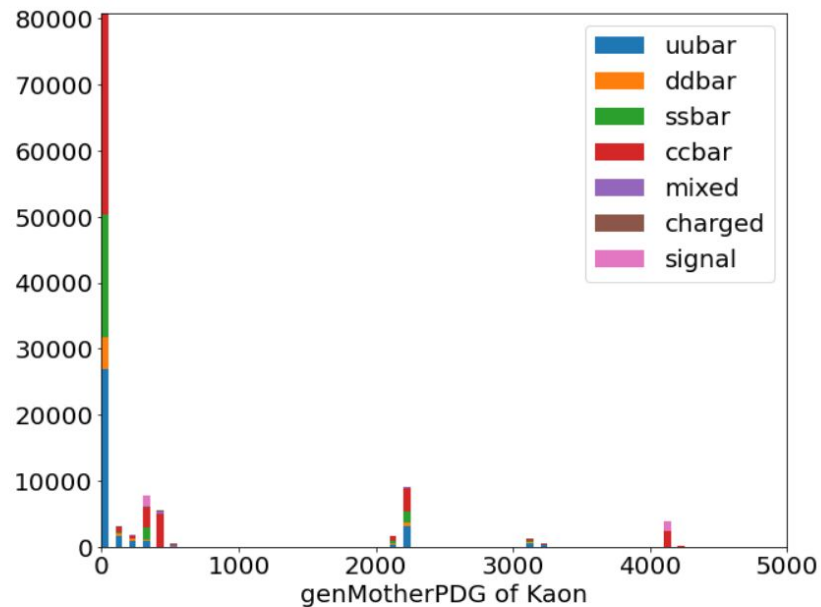
Xi\_c0 mass constrained



# Background (100/fb)



mother PDG of kaon = [-411. 421. -511. ... -421. -421. -313.]  
Number of background from  $Z^0$  = 864211  
Number of background from  $\rho(770)^0$  = 295173  
Number of background from  $\rho(770)^+$  = 76138  
Number of background from  $\rho(770)^-$  = 87220  
Number of background from  $K^*(892)^0\bar{0}$  = 67248  
Number of background from  $K^*(892)^0$  = 63887  
Number of background from  $B^0\bar{0}$  = 18624  
Number of signal from  $Xic^0$  = 4267



After applying all the cuts:  
Number of background from  $Z^0$  = 80314  
Number of background from  $\rho(770)^0$  = 2962  
Number of background from  $\rho(770)^+$  = 634  
Number of background from  $\rho(770)^-$  = 665  
Number of background from  $K^*(892)^0\bar{0}$  = 5556  
Number of background from  $K^*(892)^0$  = 5483  
Number of background from  $B^0\bar{0}$  = 161  
Number of signal from  $Xic^0$  = 1682