



Search for Exotics in B decays at LHCb

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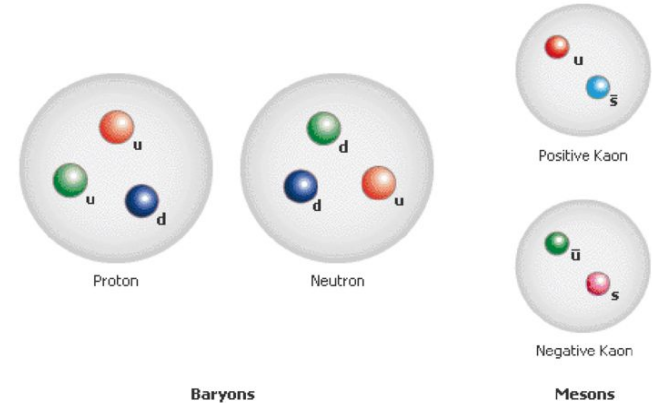
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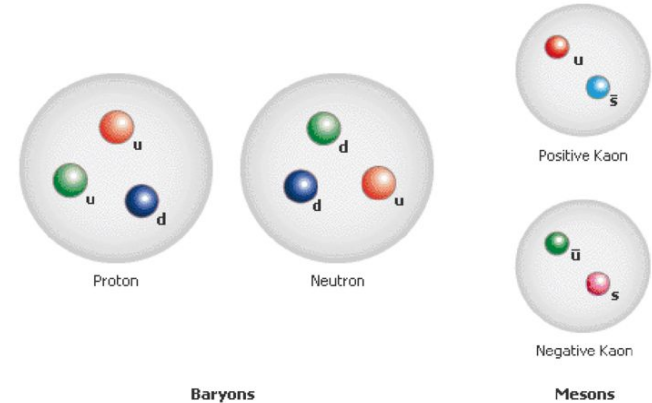
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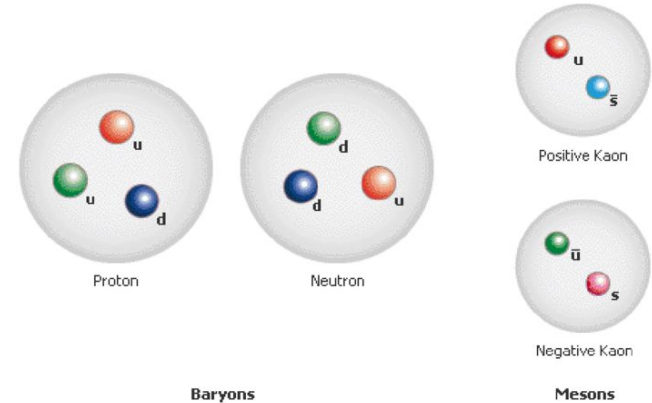
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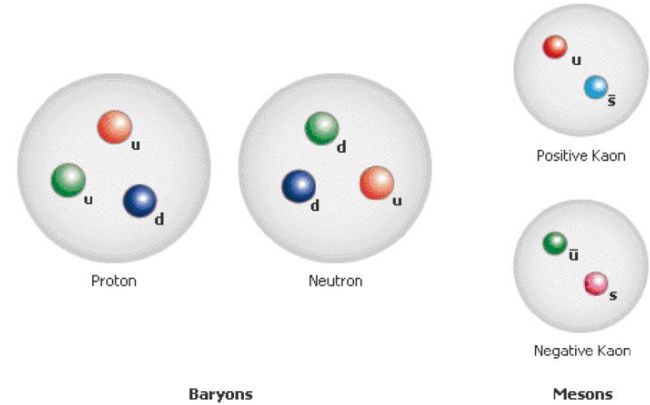
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In general, we would expect that baryons are built not only from the product of three quarks, AAA , but also from $\bar{A}\bar{A}\bar{A}$, etc., where \bar{A} denotes an anti-quark. Similarly, mesons could be formed from $A\bar{A}$, $\bar{A}A$, etc. For the low mass mesons and baryons we will assume the simplest possibilities, $A\bar{A}$ and AAA , that is, "deuces and treys".

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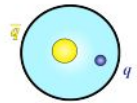
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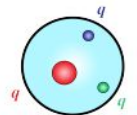
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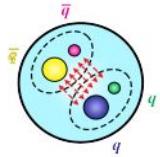
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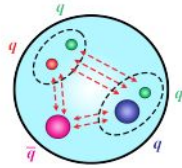
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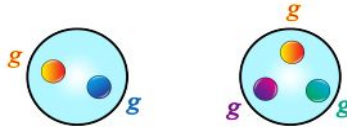
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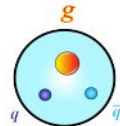
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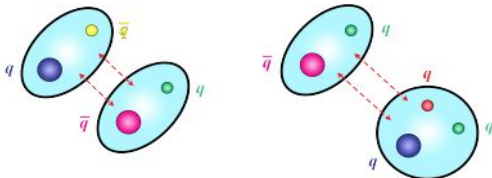
(d) compact pentaquark



(e) two- and three-gluon glueballs



(f) hybrid state



(g) weakly-bound hadronic molecules

Compact Multi-quark : Tightly bound directly by strong interactions.

Hadronic Molecular : Weakly bound by residual strong interaction

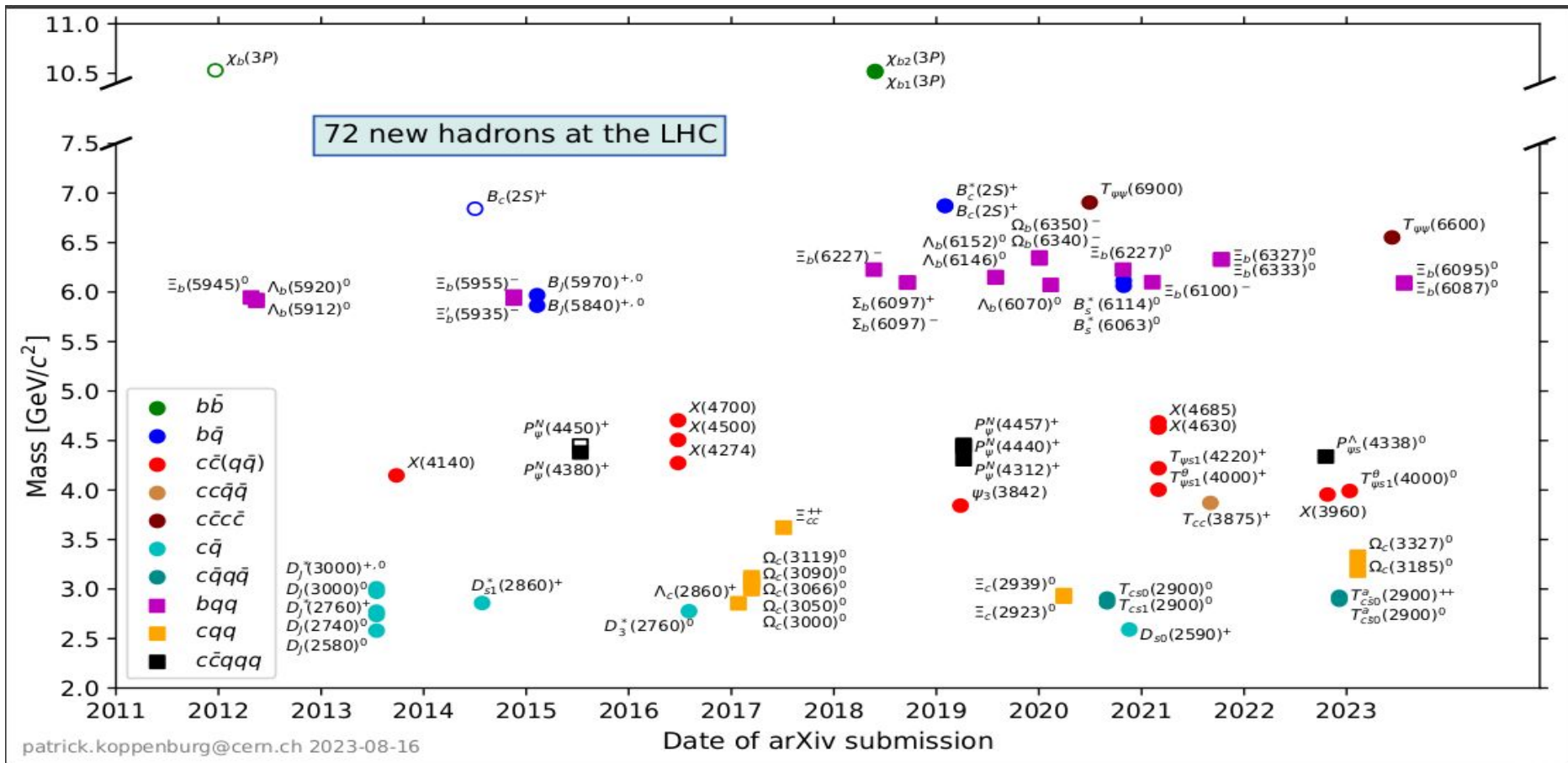
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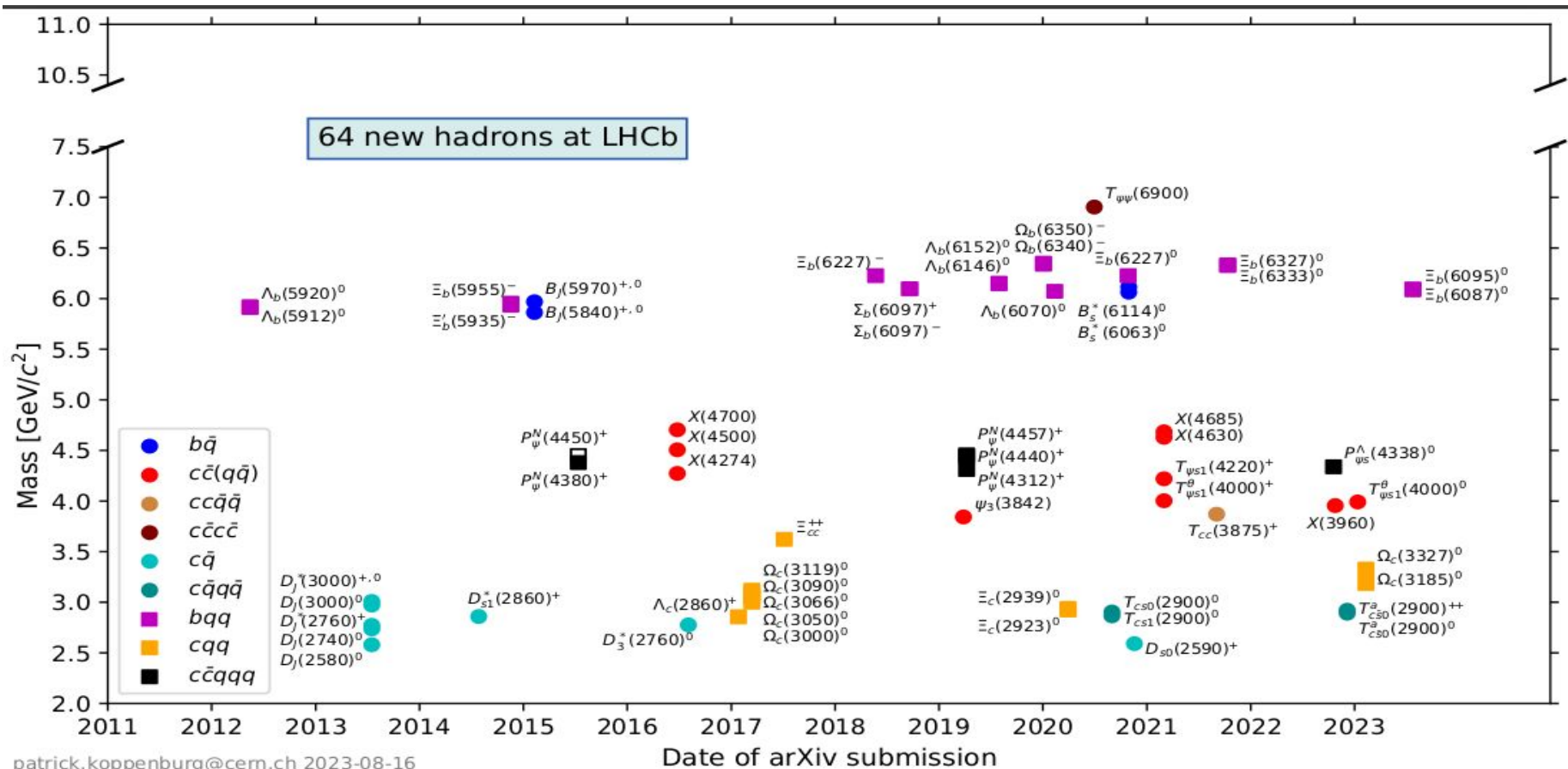
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- **Based on theoretical predictions :**
 - If the X(3872) were a conventional $c\bar{c}$ state, transitions to the χ_{cJ} should be very small ; in contrast to tetra-quark or molecular state.
 - Measuring pionic transitions $X(3872) \rightarrow \chi_{c1}\pi^0$ could distinguish between various interpretations

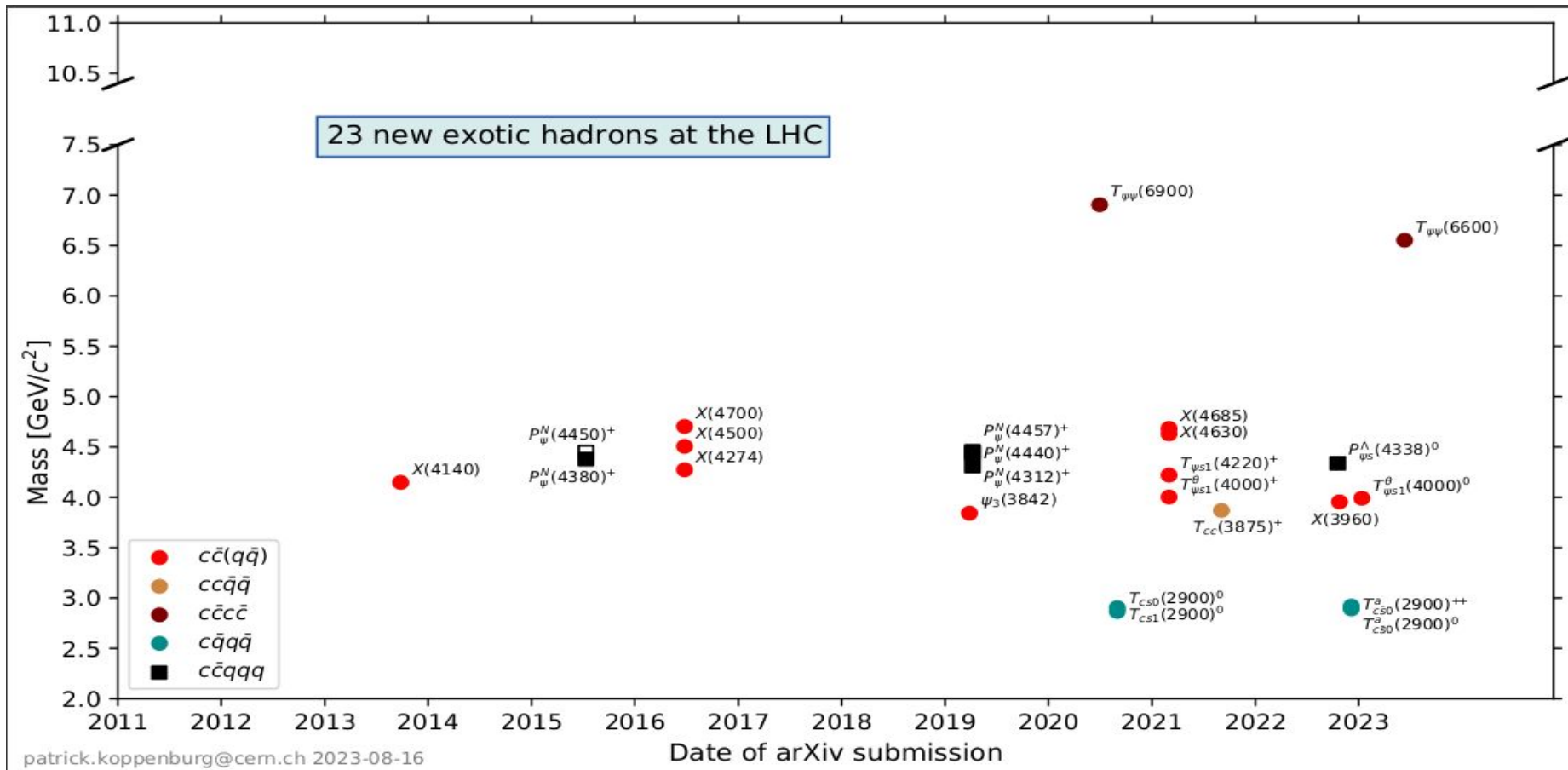
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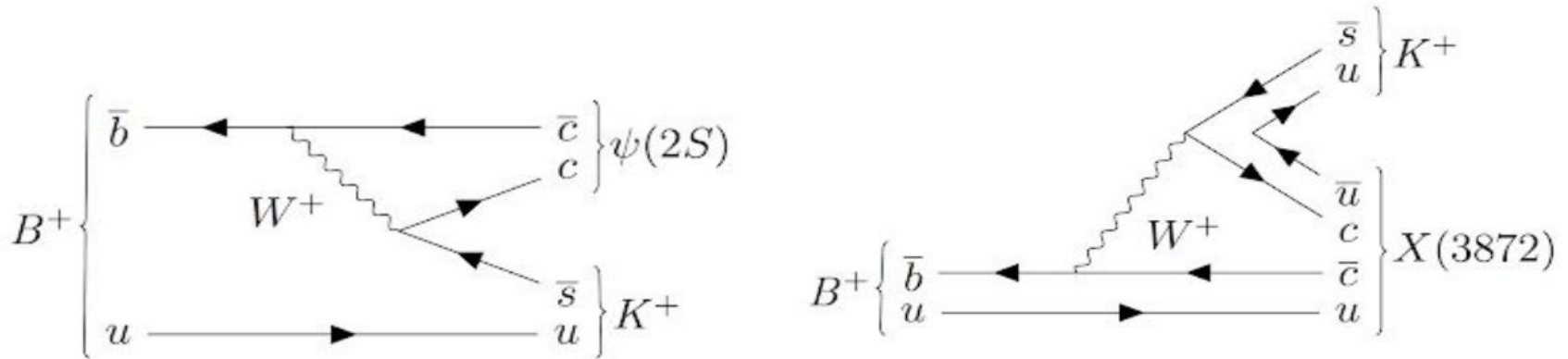


Exotic Hadrons at LHC



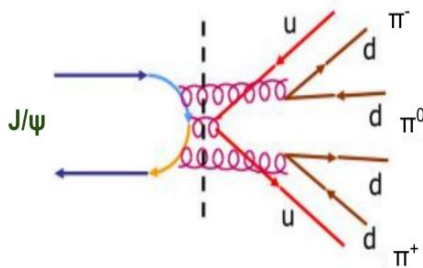
B decays

- B meson produced in high-energy Hadron Collisions : $p\bar{p}$ and pp
- Each $b\bar{b}$ quark of a pair, hadronizes separately.
- B meson are a \bar{b} and **u,d,s, or c** quark : B^+ , B^0 , B_s , and B_c
- B - flavored hadrons decay via generation-changing processes
- Dominant decay mode of a B quark is $b \rightarrow cW^-$
- Forms charmed mesons or **$c\bar{c}$ (charmonium)**.

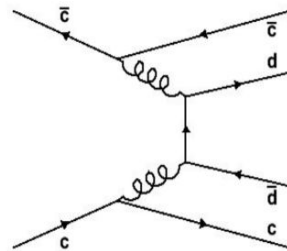


Why Charmonium?

- Have reliable predictions of expected conventional states.
- Charm : lightest 'heavy' quark - $m_c \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ - can determine $c\bar{c}$ spectrum with simple non-relativistic Q-M treatment.



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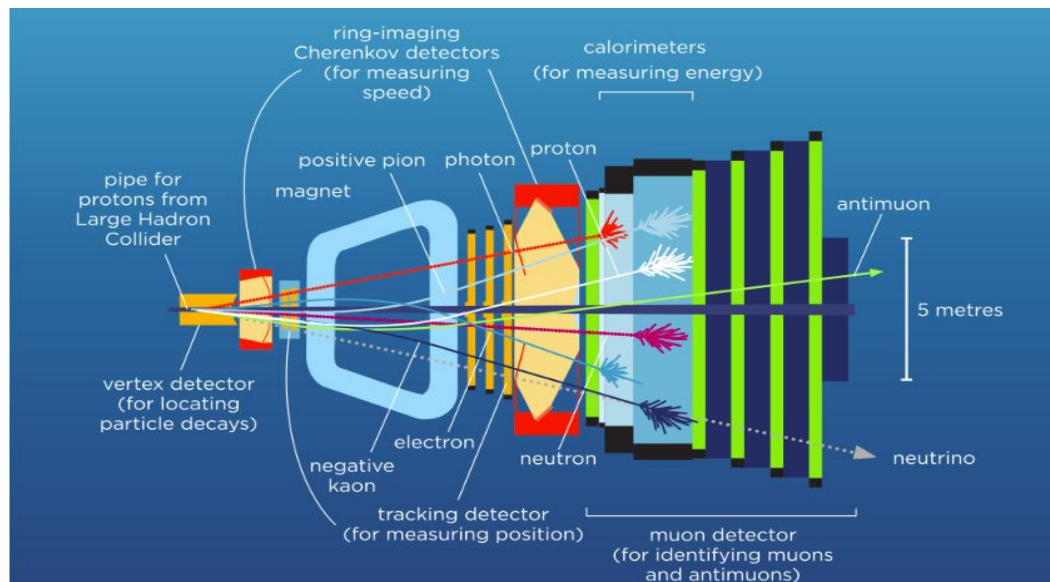


OZI-allowed

- Decays of conventional $c\bar{c}$ states with masses below open charm threshold m_{DD} are OZI suppressed - states are narrow and well separated.
- Above the open charm threshold OZI allowed processes dominate wider resonances but still significantly narrower than light quark states.

Why LHCb?

- Largest data sample of b and c hadrons
- Triggers optimised for final state particles $J/\Psi(1S)$ and $\Psi(2S)$.
- Dedicated computational tools available for thorough search of exotics.



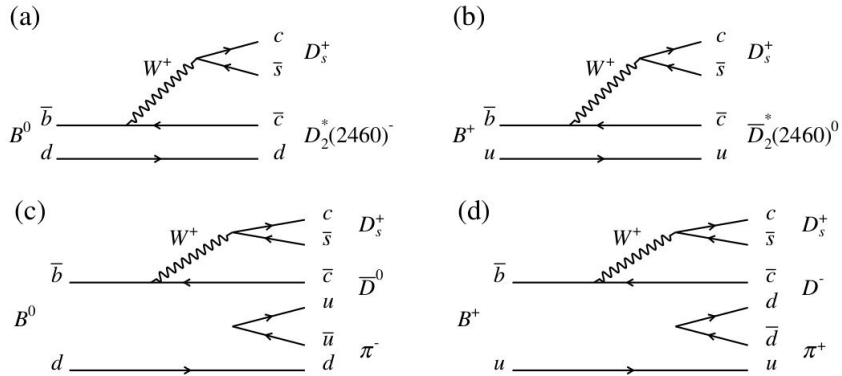
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1	2011-12	3.0	7,8	70	1400
2	2015-17	3.8	13	150	2400
2	2018	2.2	13		

- Single arm forward spectrometer : $2 < \eta < 5$
- Efficient hadronic identification.
- Impact parameter resolution: $\sigma_{IP} \approx 20\mu\text{m}$
- Momentum resolution: $\frac{\Delta P}{P} \sim 0.5 - 1\%$
- PID separation K , p from π :
 - $\epsilon(K \rightarrow K) \approx 95\%$ and $\epsilon(\pi \rightarrow K) \approx 5\%$
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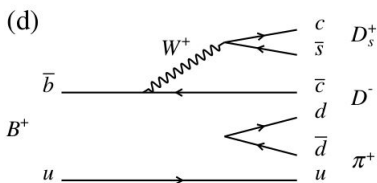
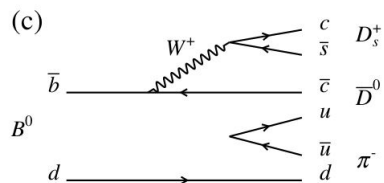
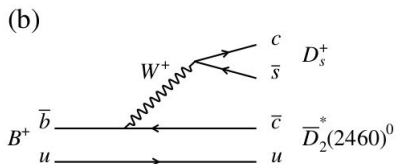
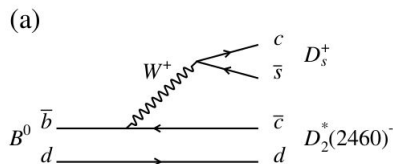
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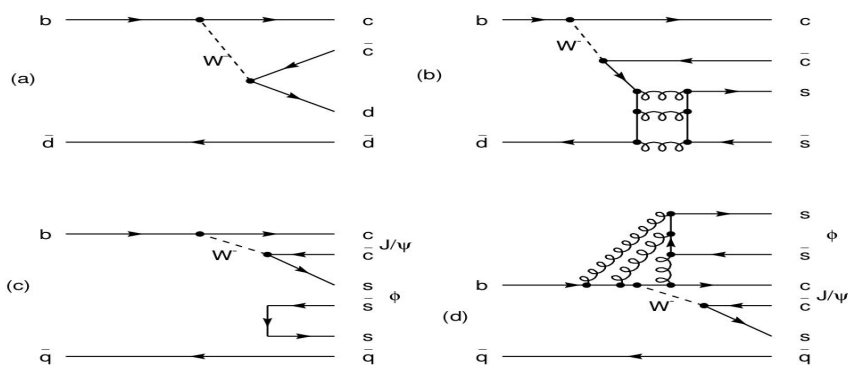
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- $c\bar{c}$ pairs, zero net charm content.
- 2 Fully charm $T_{\psi\psi}(6900)^+ : cccc$
- $P^{\Lambda}_{\psi s}(4459)^0, T^{\theta}_{\psi s1}(4000)^+ \dots$



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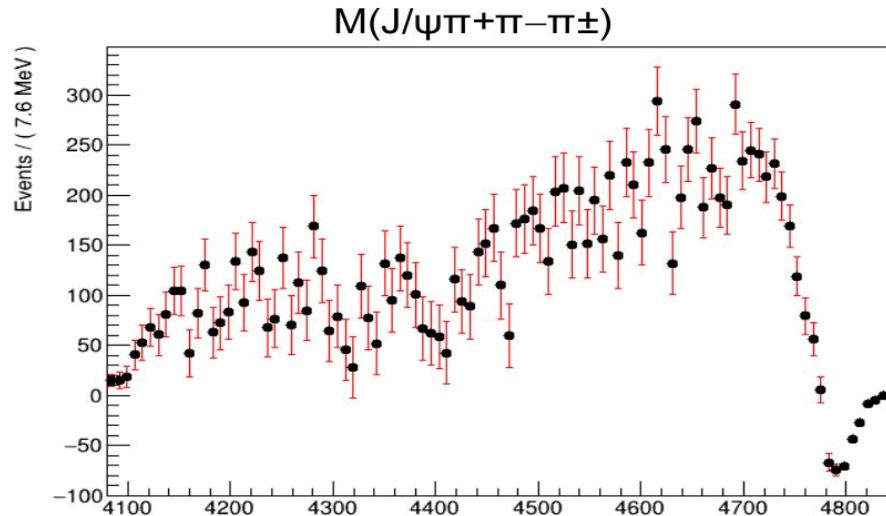
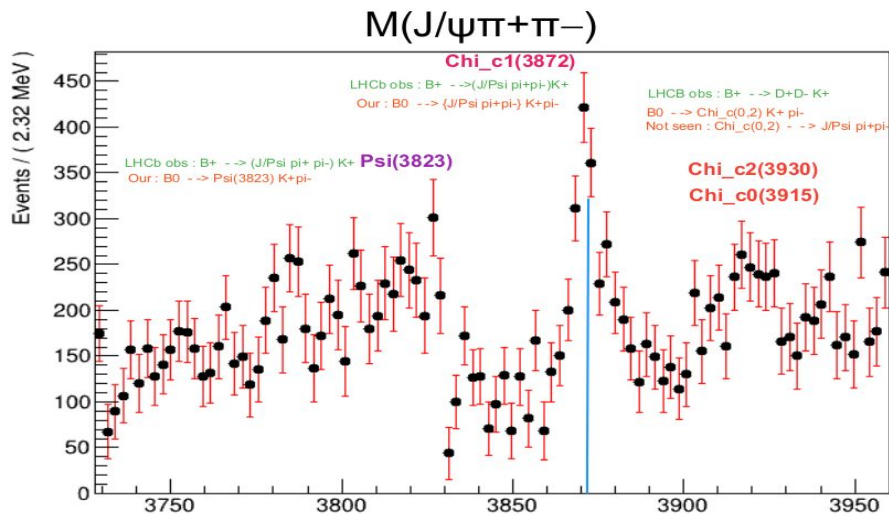
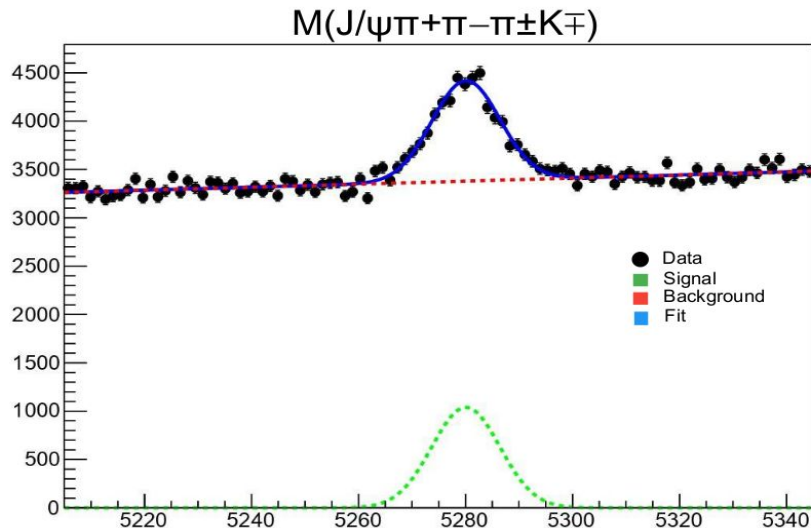
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 - $X^\pm \rightarrow \psi(3770) \pi^\pm$ (M. Ablikim et al. (BESIII Collaboration) Phys. Rev. D 100, 032005)
 - New decay mode of B^0 (excluding resonant contribution)
 - General Idea : Possible observation of either new or previously un-confirmed exotic resonances and decay modes.
- We are interested in structures in :
 - $Y = m(J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-)$
 - $X = m(J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-) \pi^\pm$
- Cut based selection is applied on the reconstructed data.

Y mass range	
Particle	Range
$\psi(2S)$	< 3726 MeV (I)
Y (3770, 3823,...)	3726 - 3990 MeV (II)
Y (4040, 4160, 4230)	> 3990 MeV (III)

- Fit performed on J/ψ constrained B mass
- S-weights are used to fit J/ψ constrained Y and X mass.
- We look for B meson signal and possibility of structures in invariant mass combinations of daughter particle.

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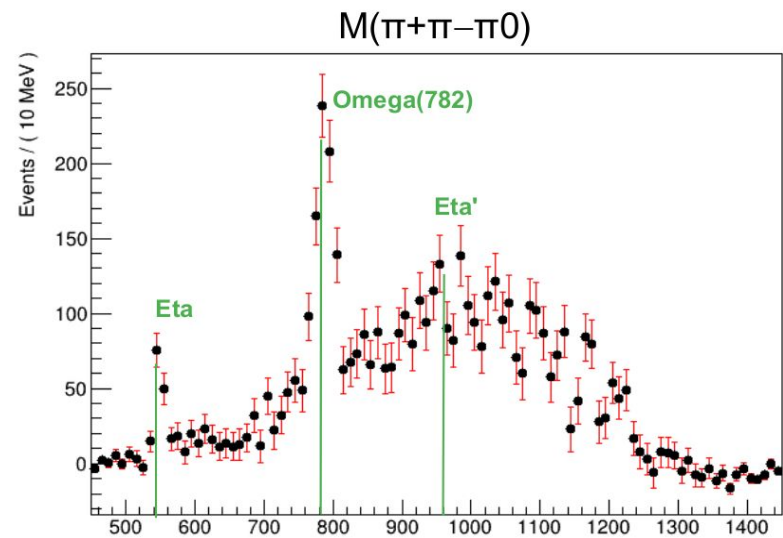
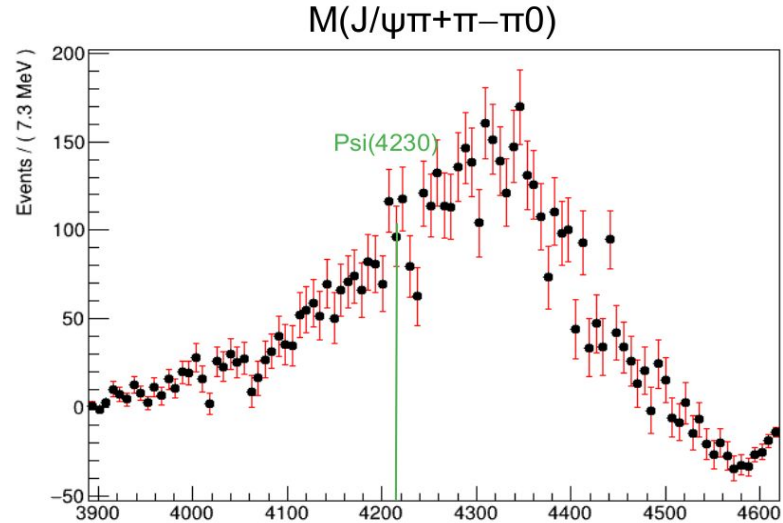
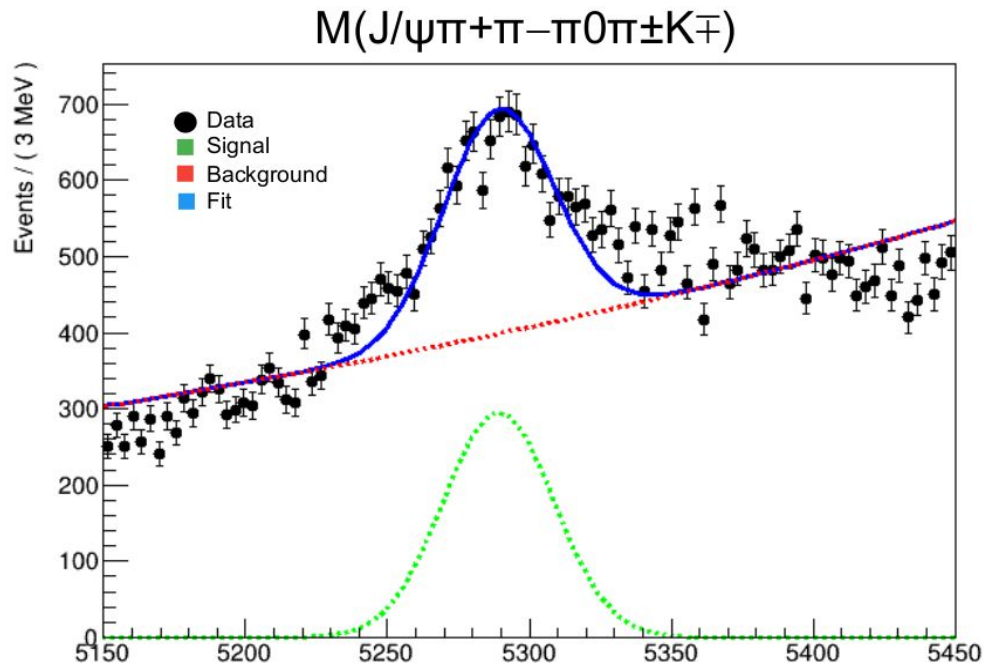
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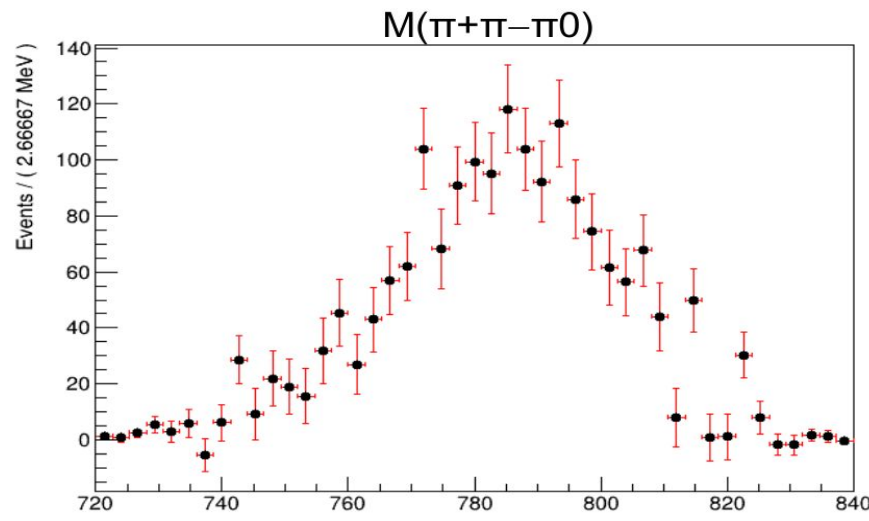
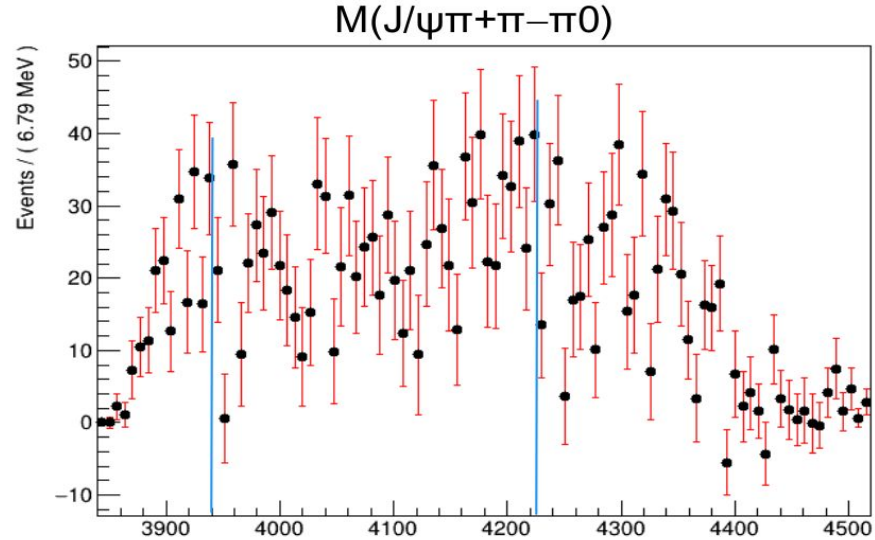
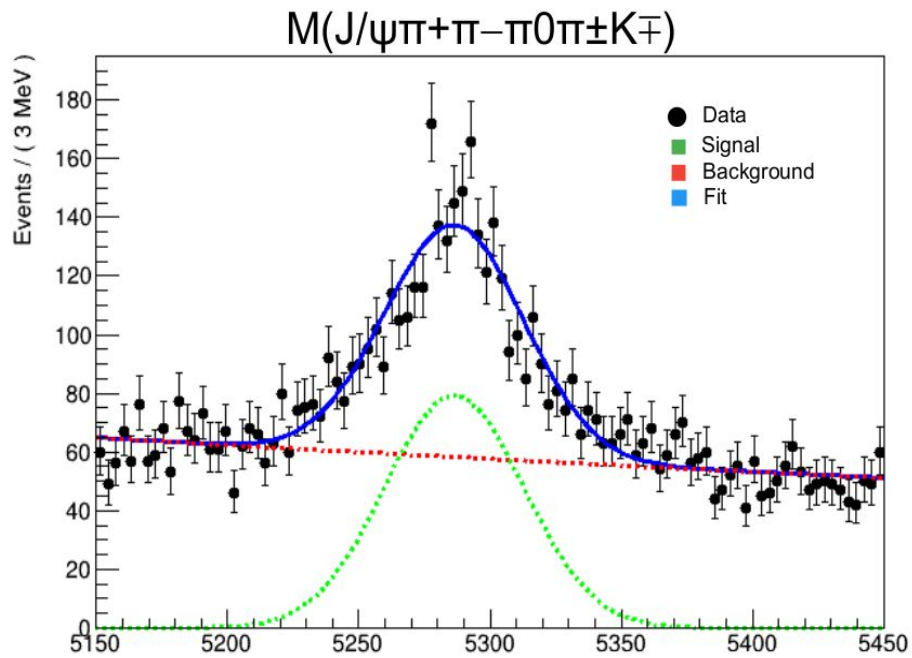
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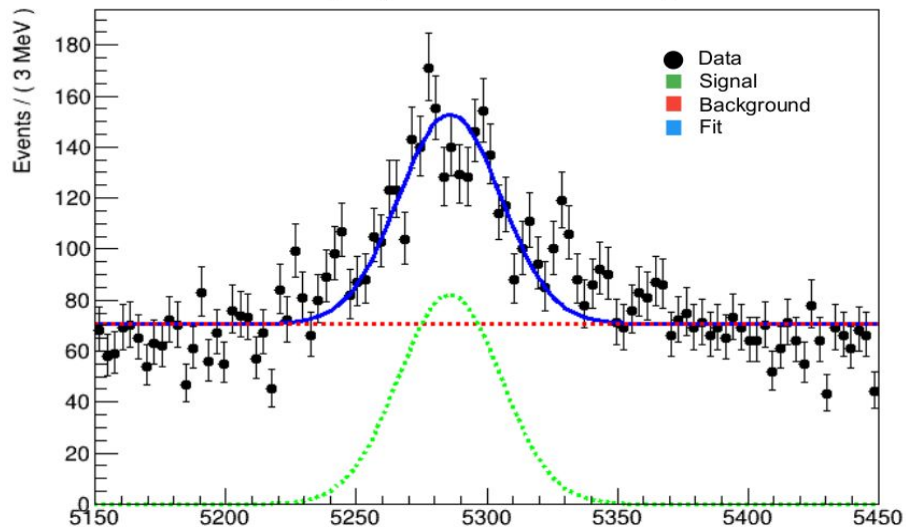
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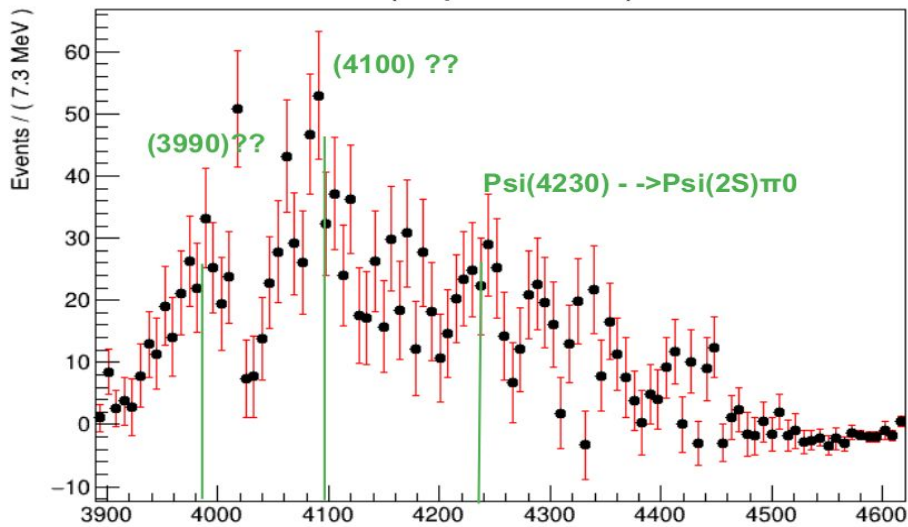
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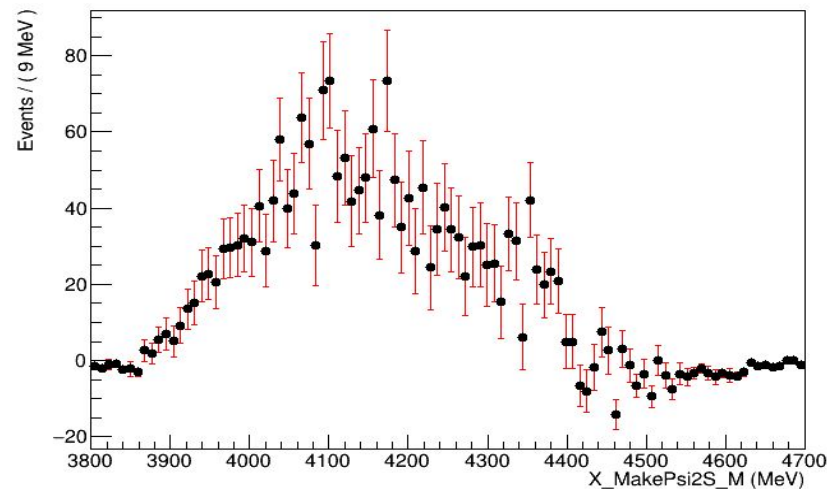
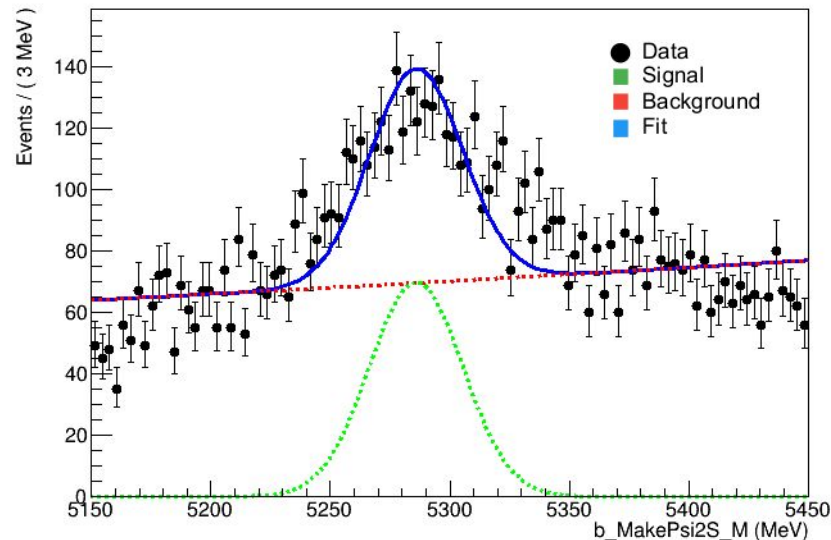


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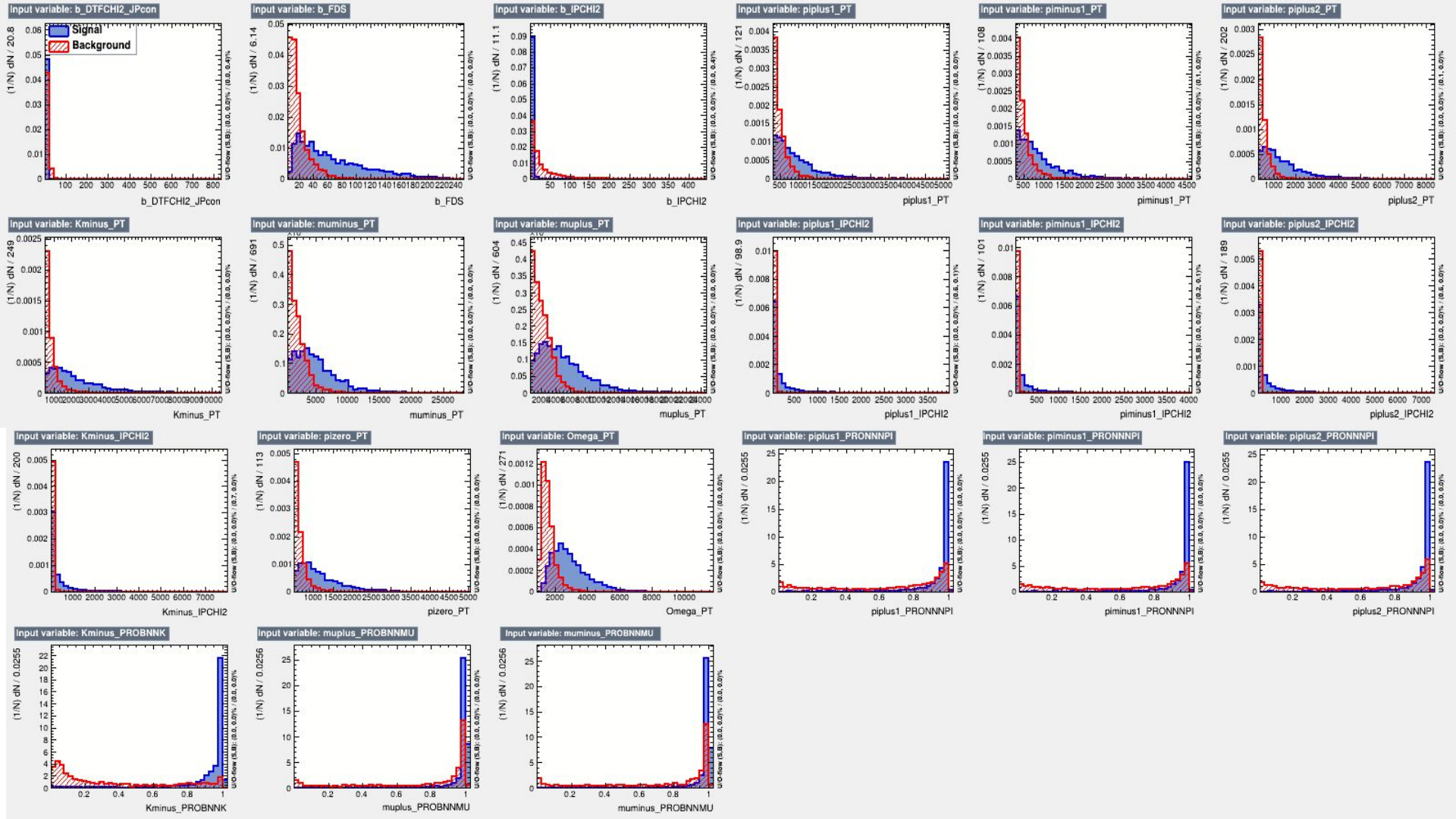
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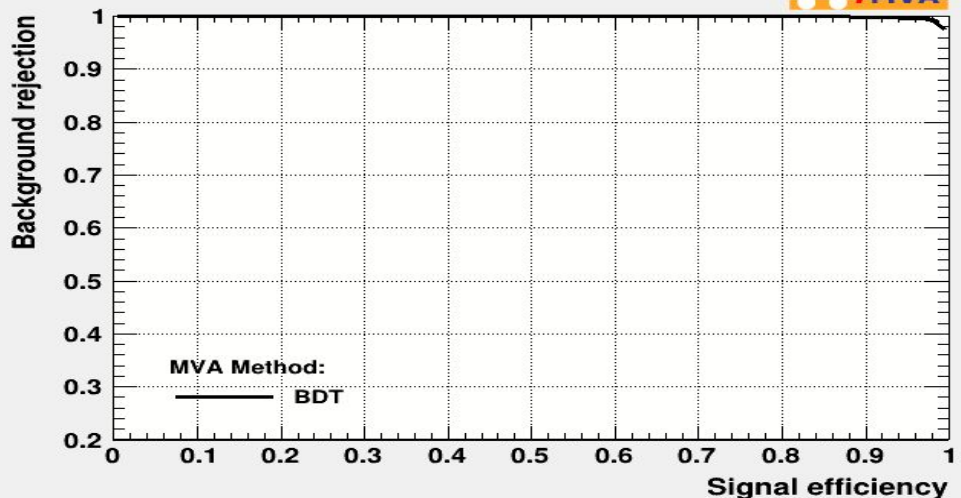
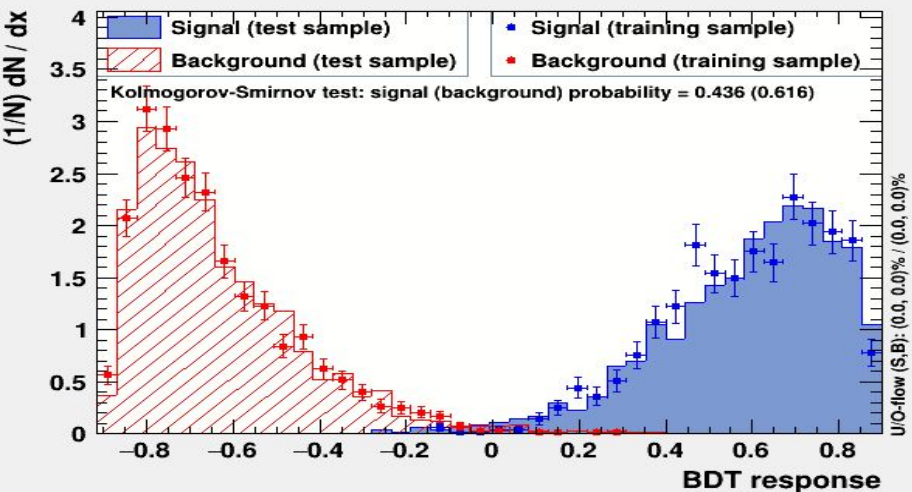
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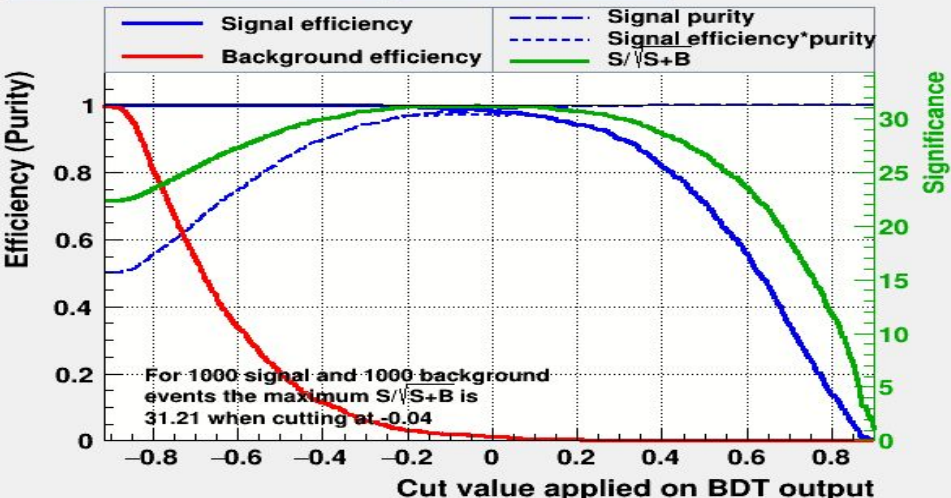
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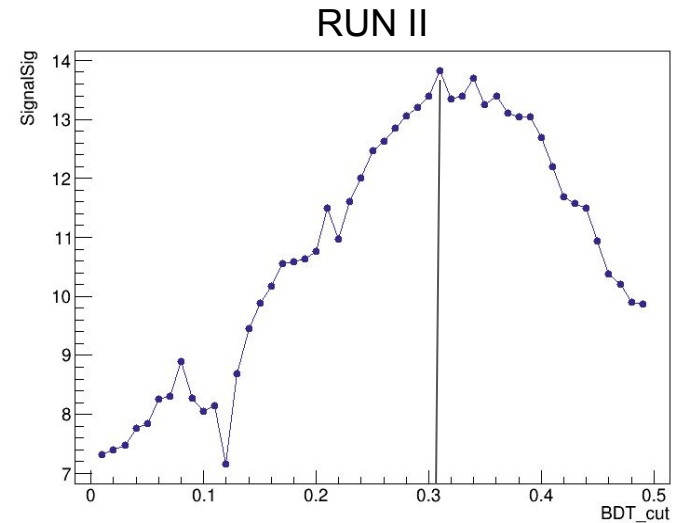
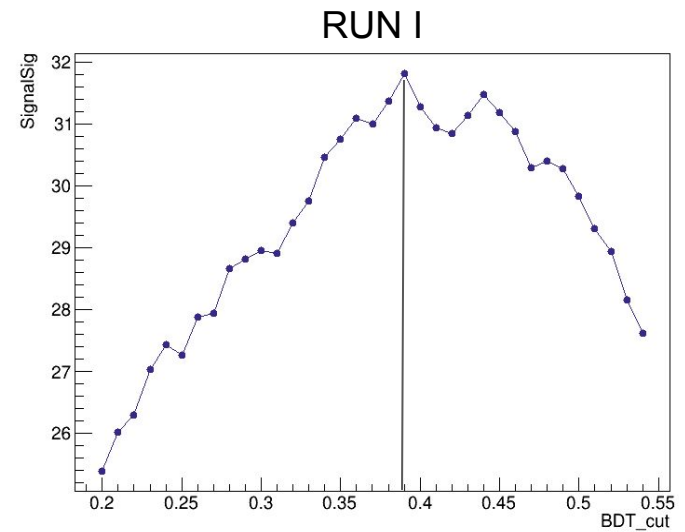
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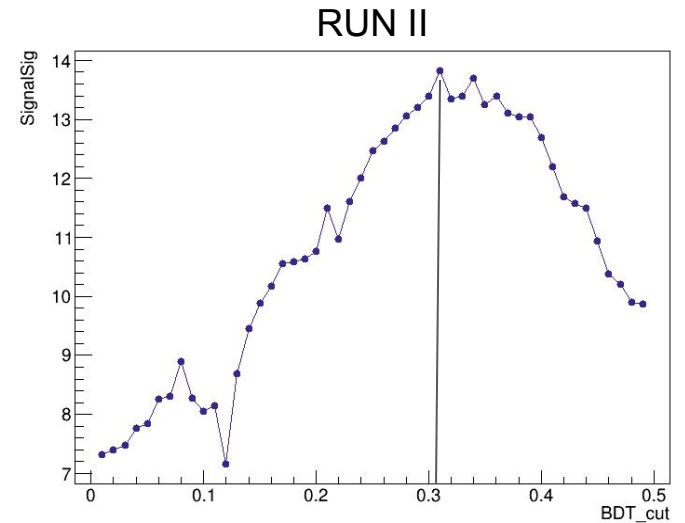
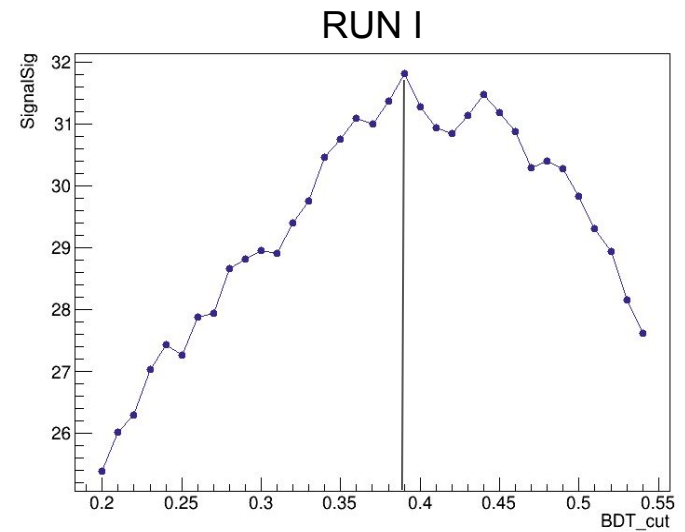
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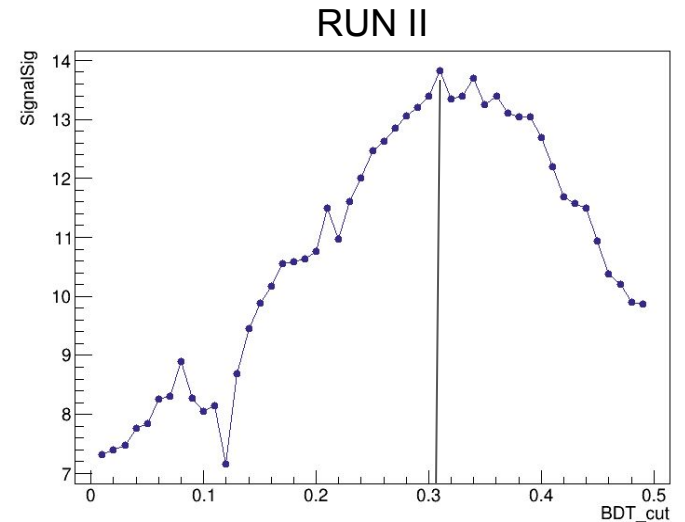
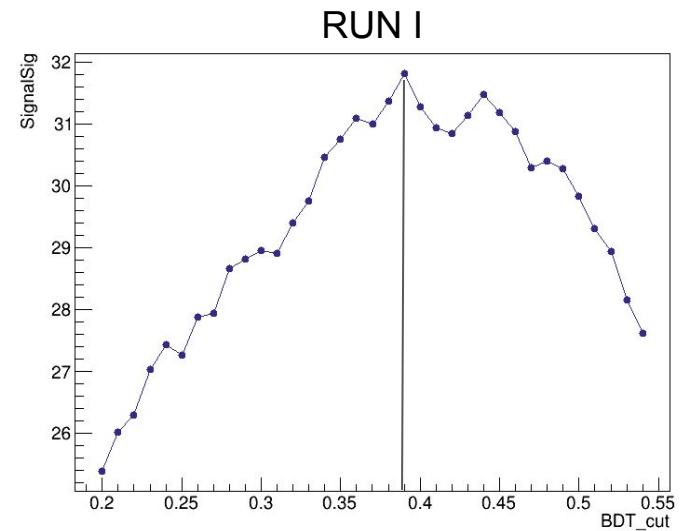


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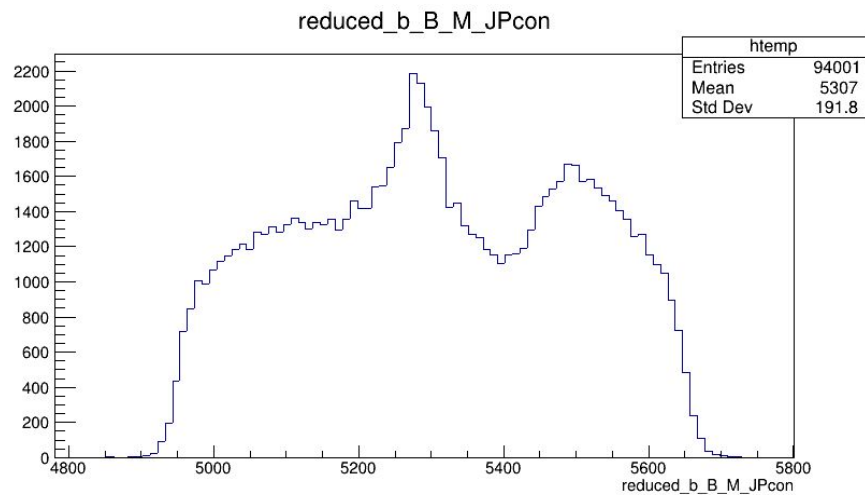
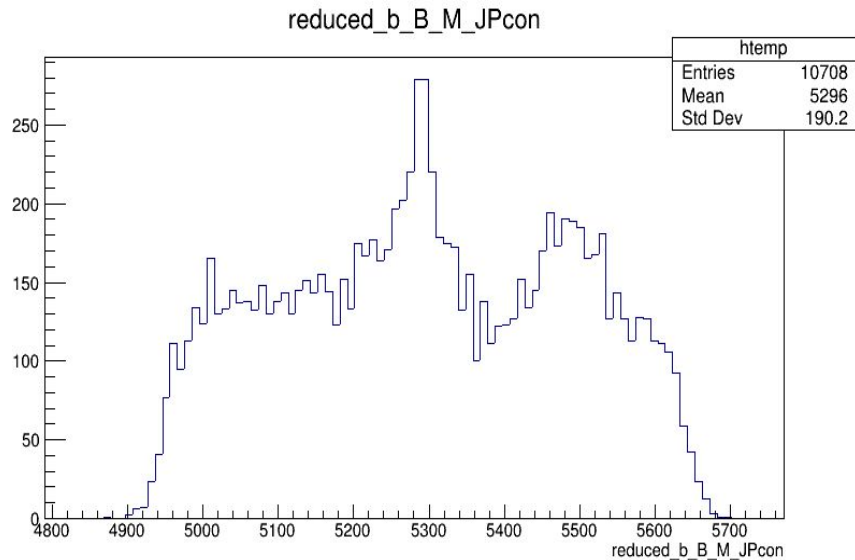
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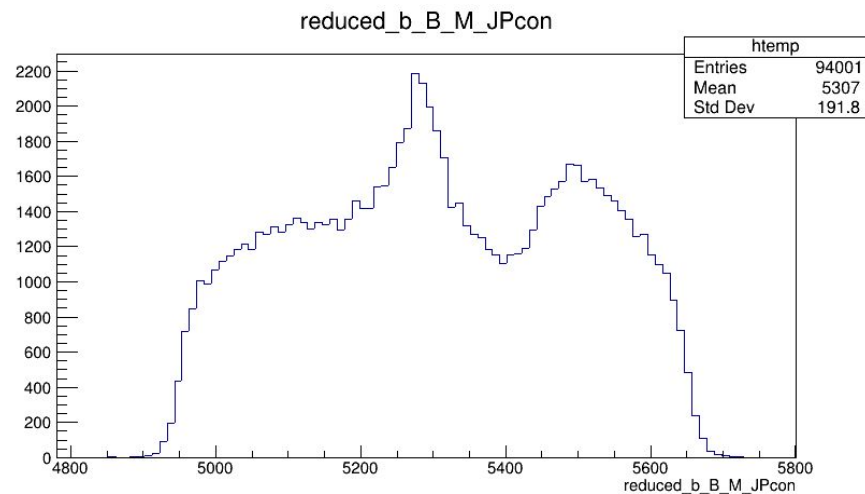
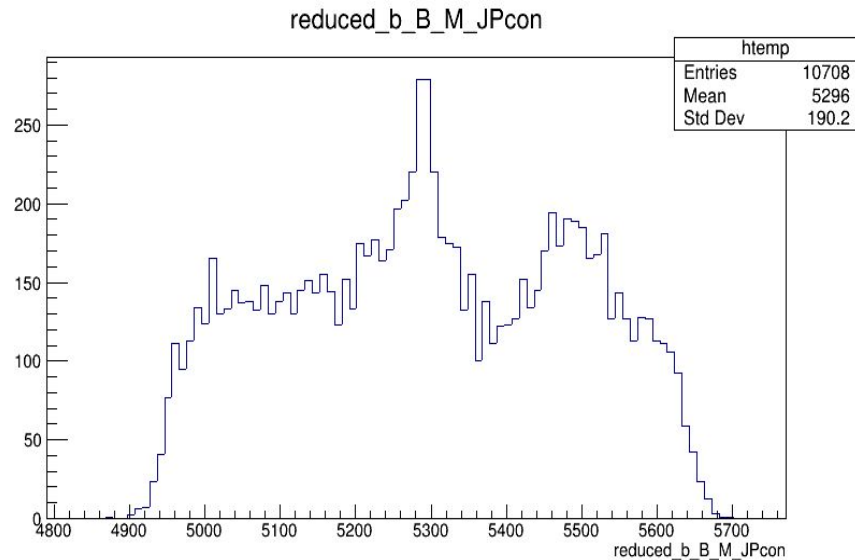
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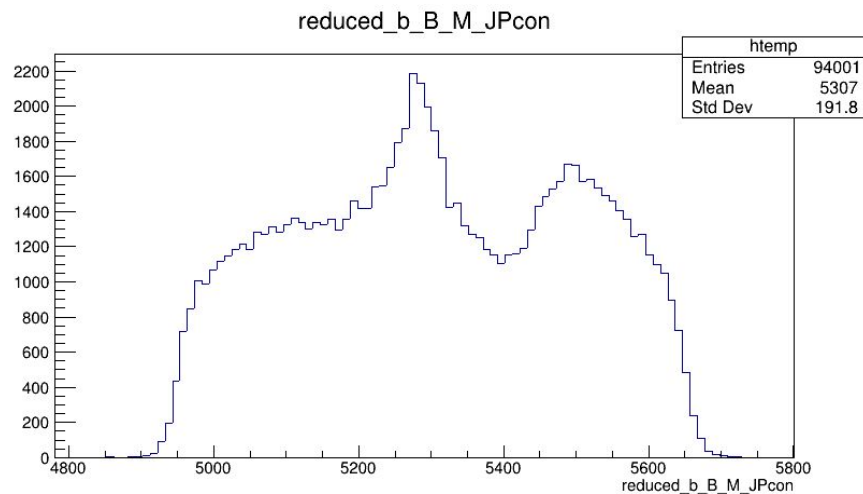
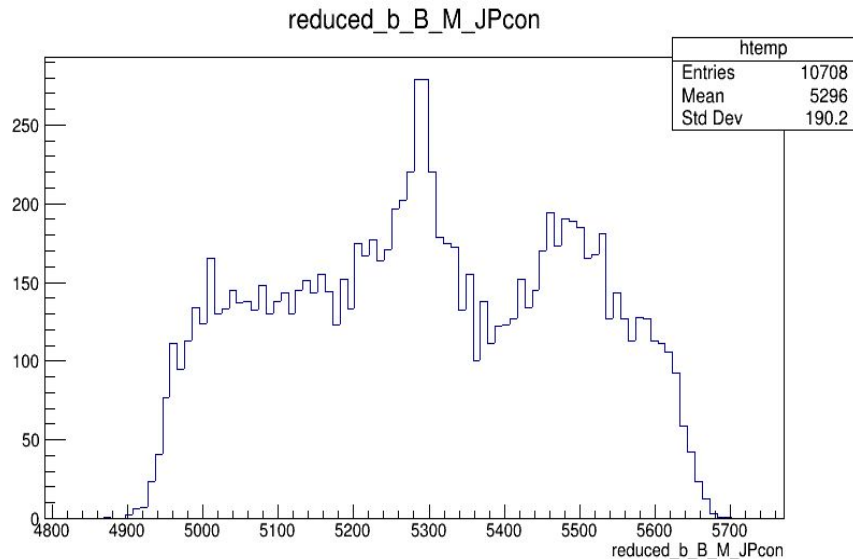
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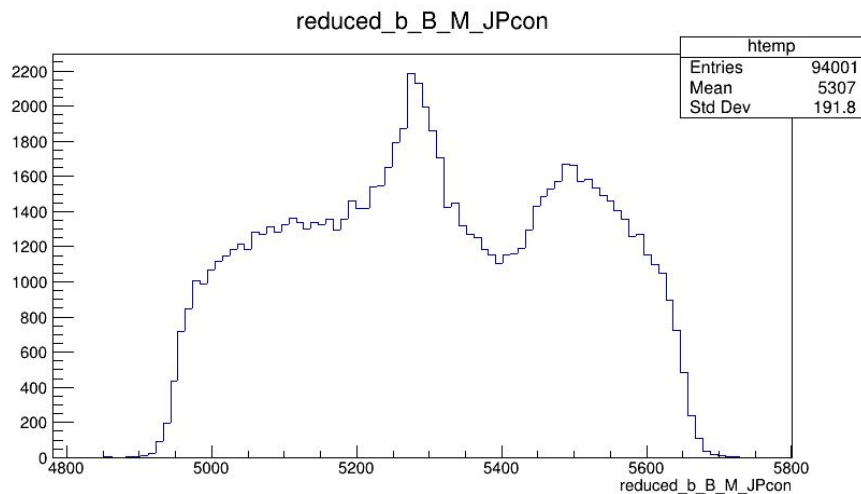
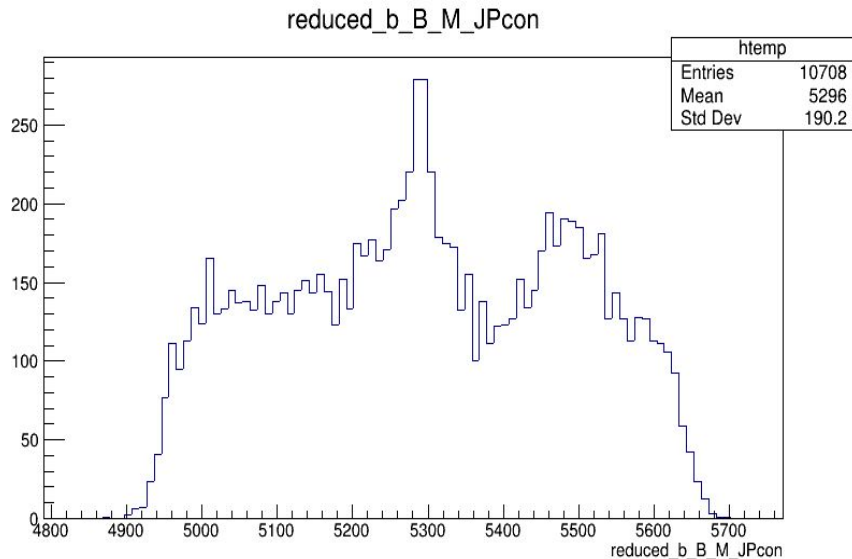
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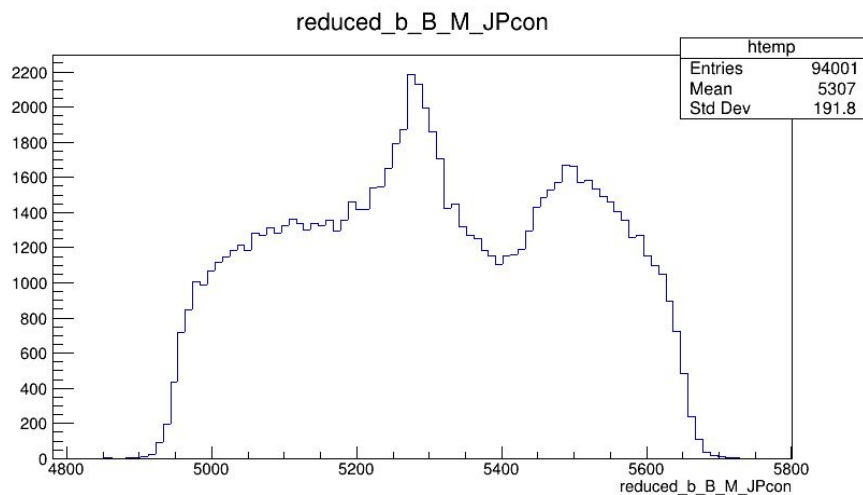
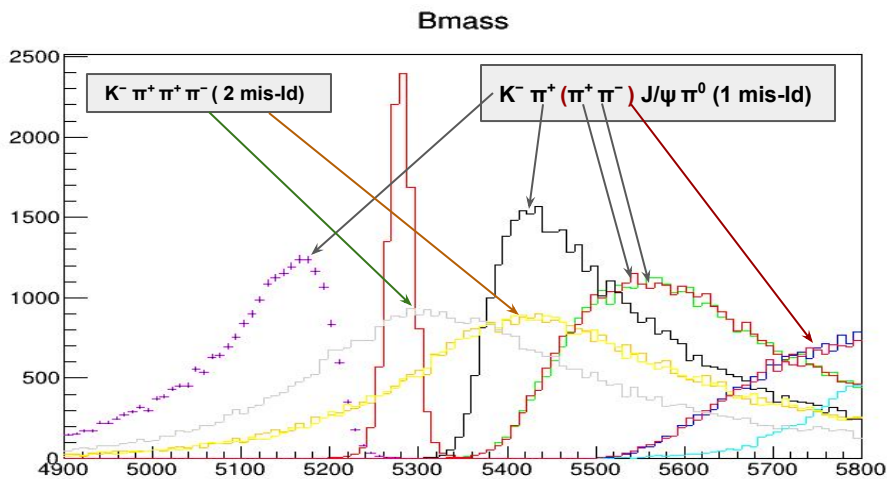
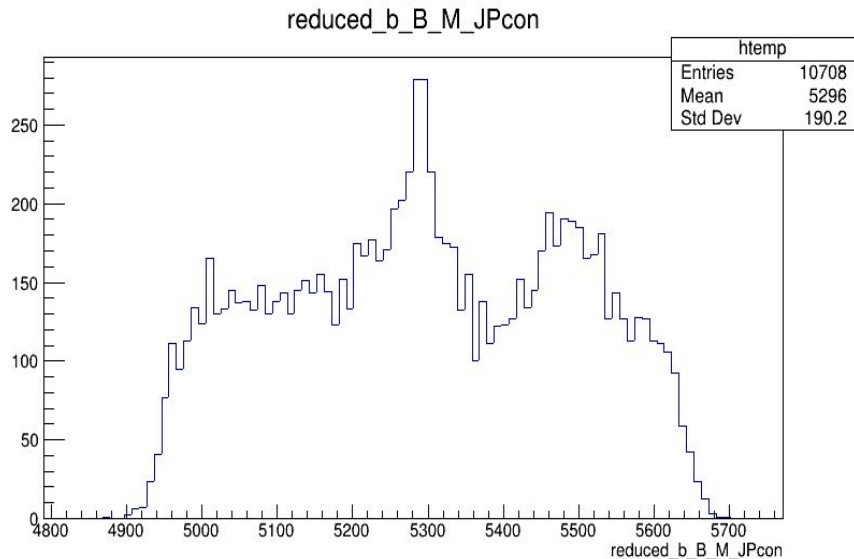
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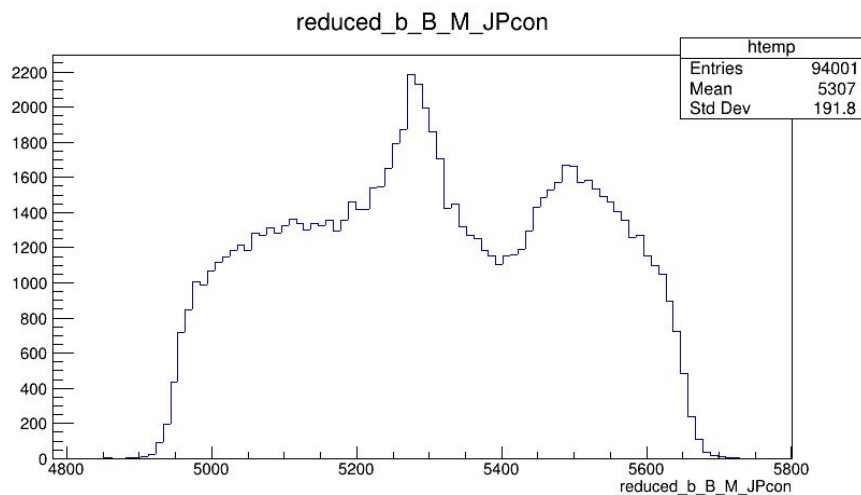
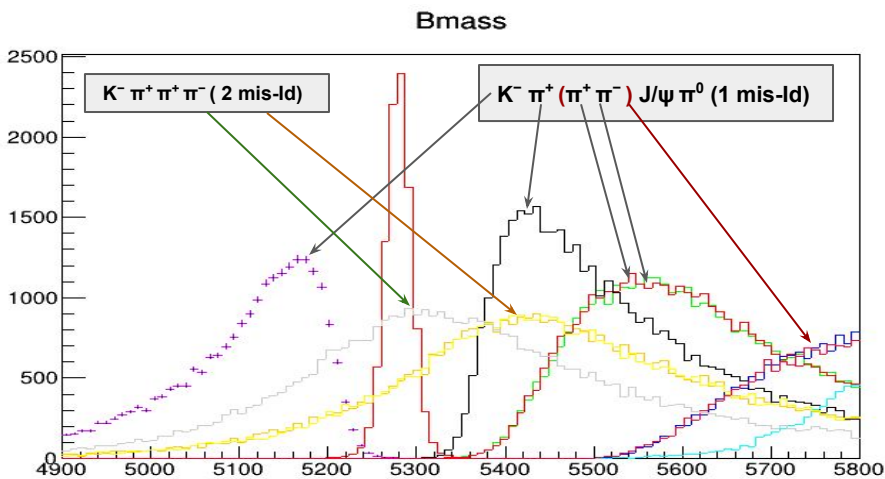
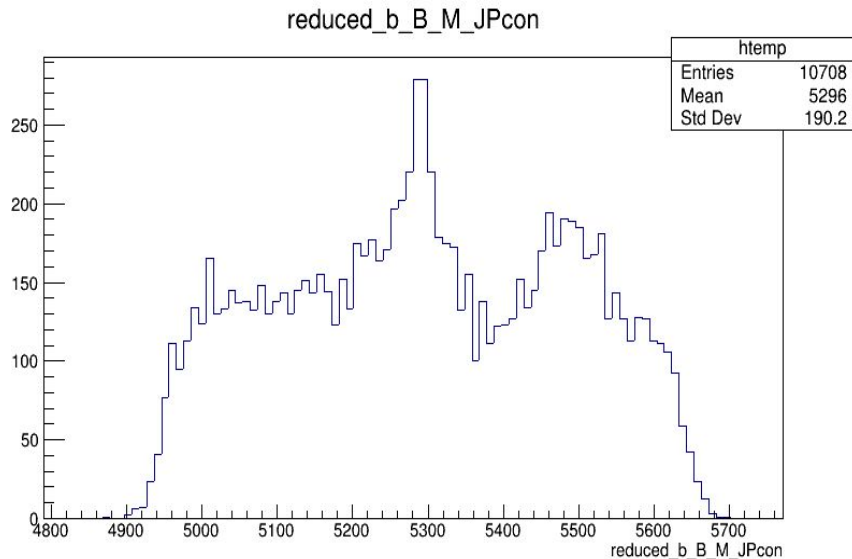
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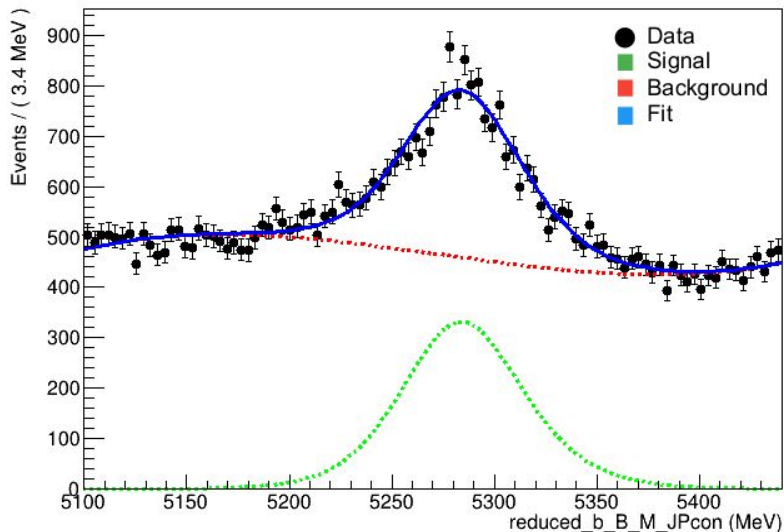


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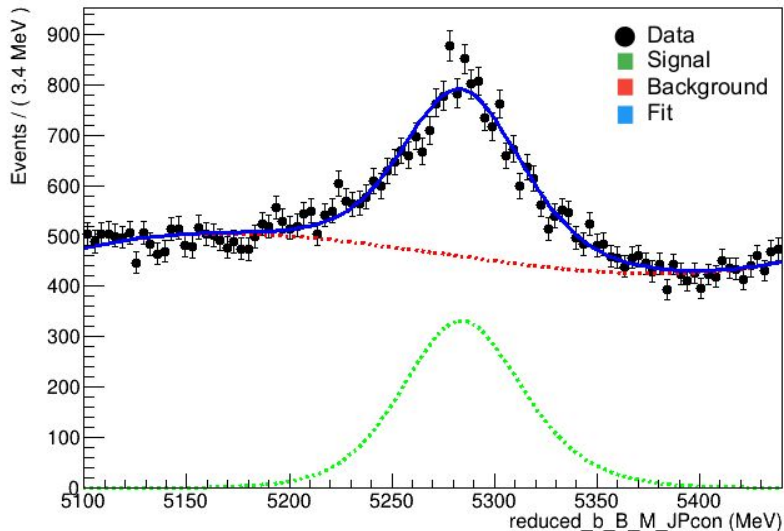
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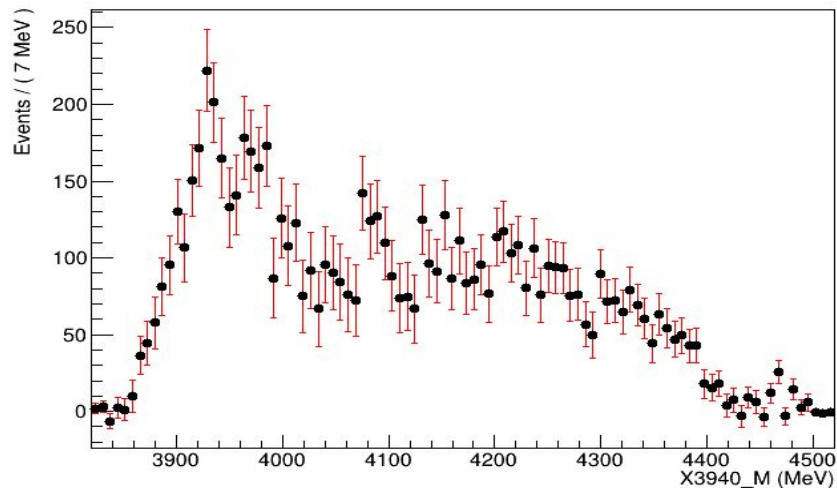
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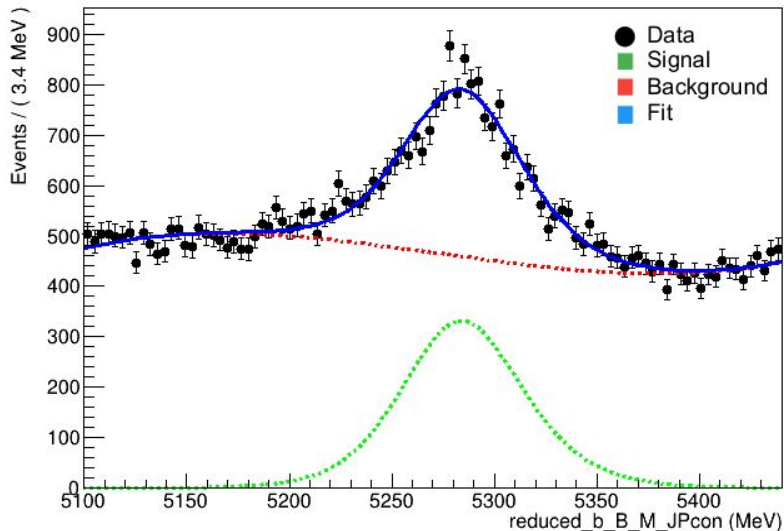
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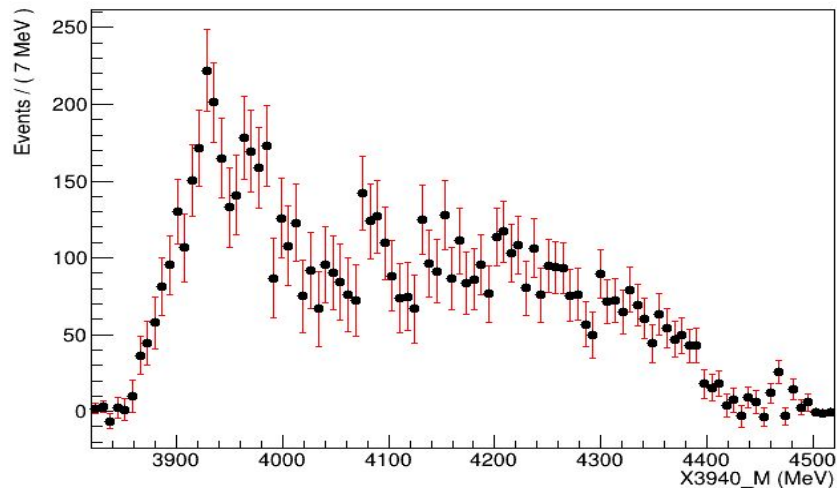
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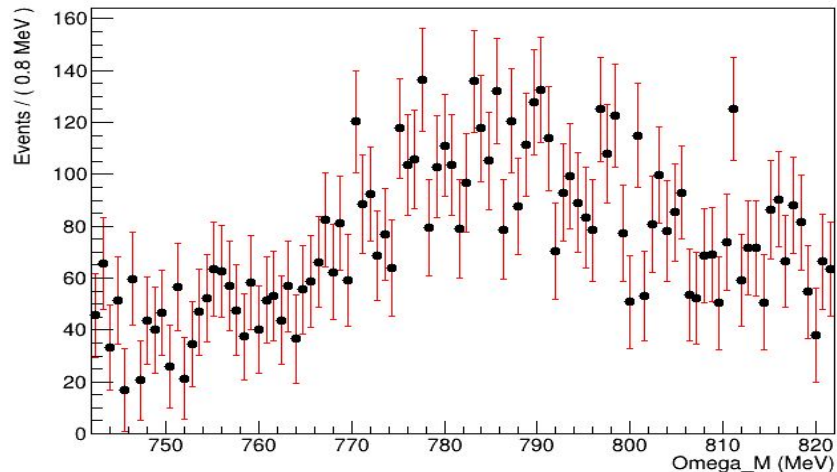


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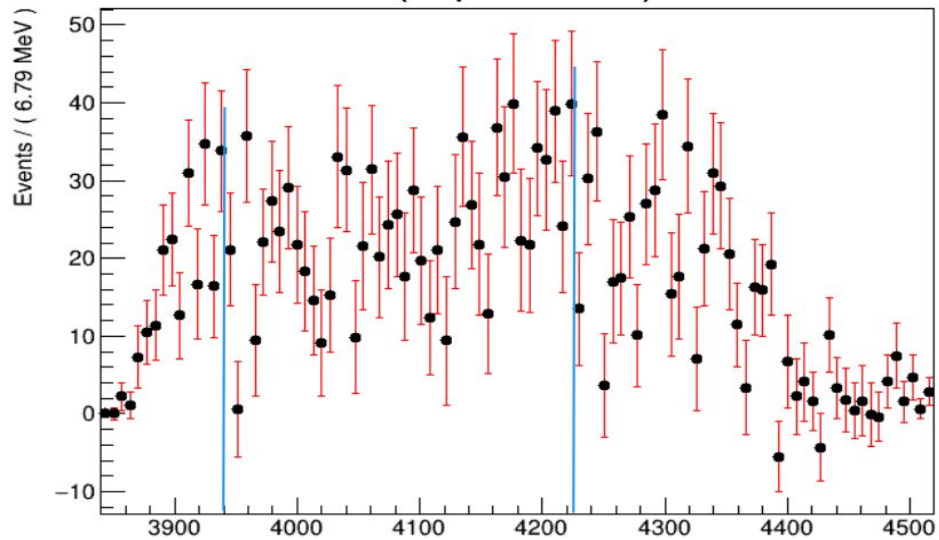


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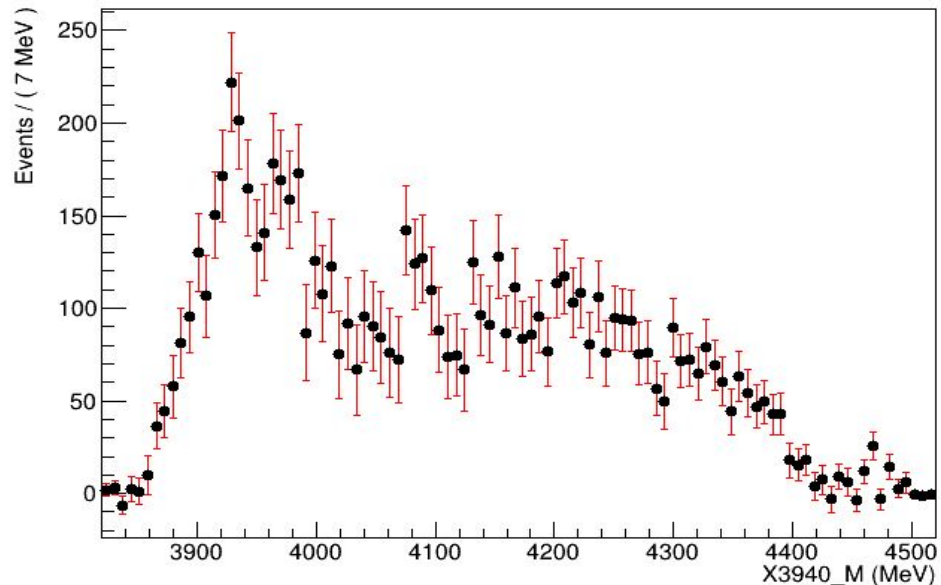
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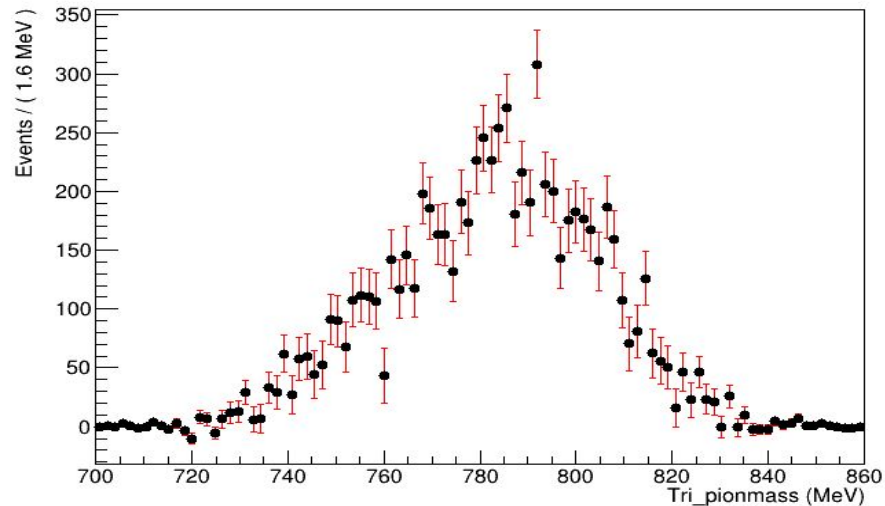


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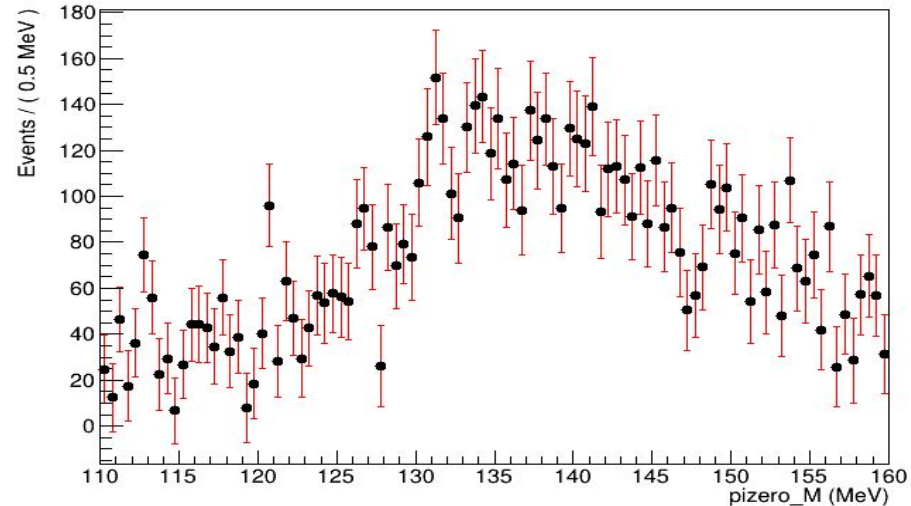
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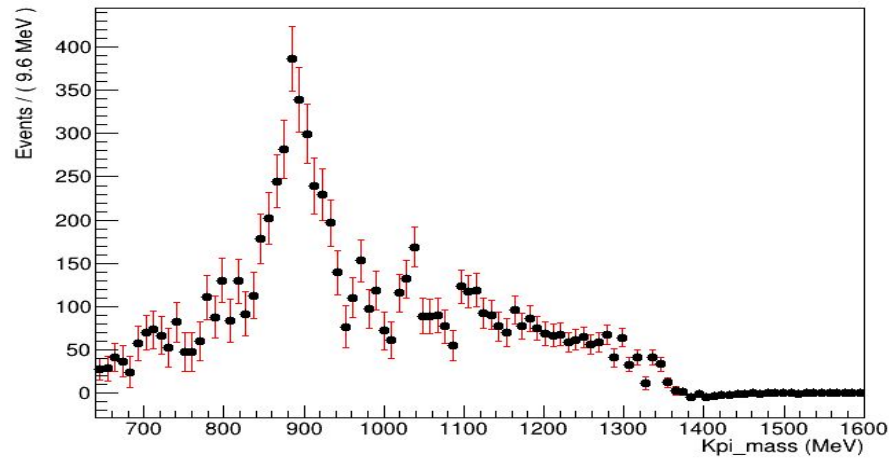
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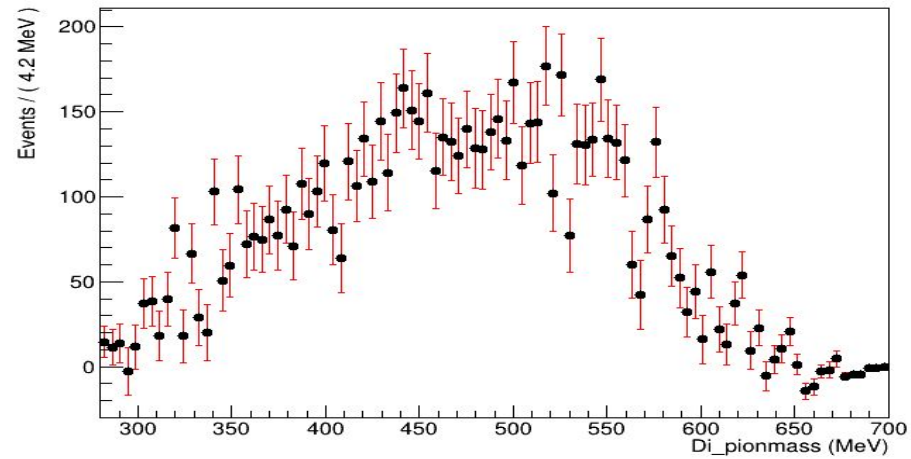
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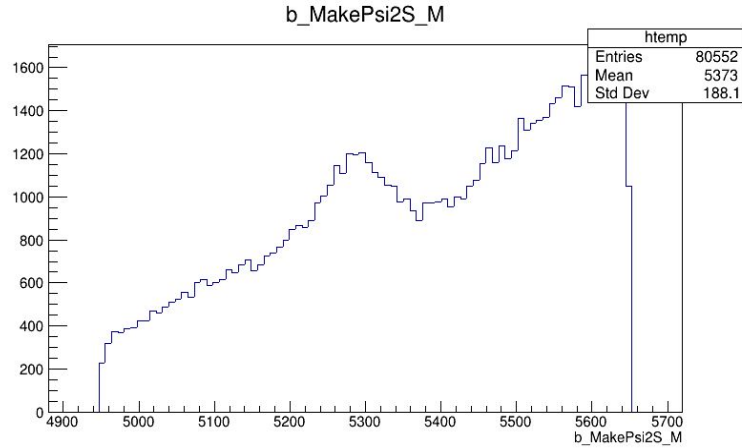


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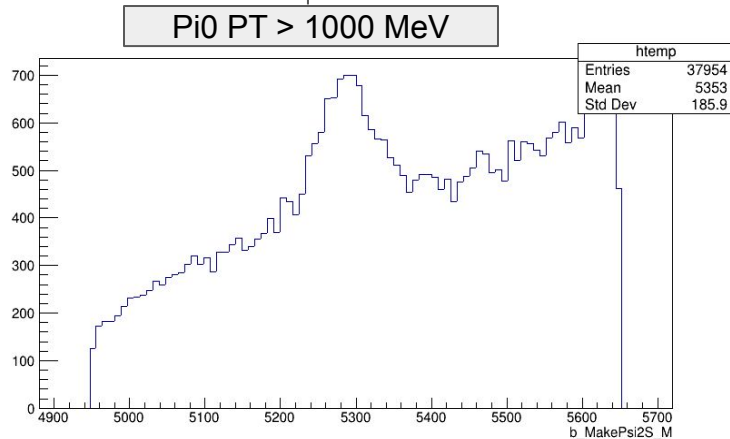
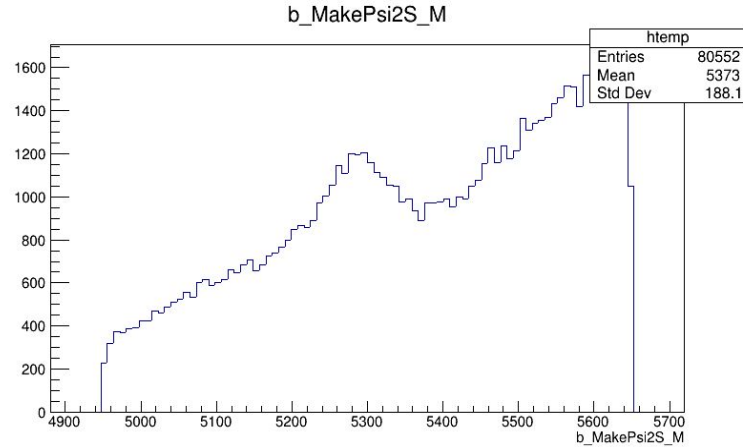
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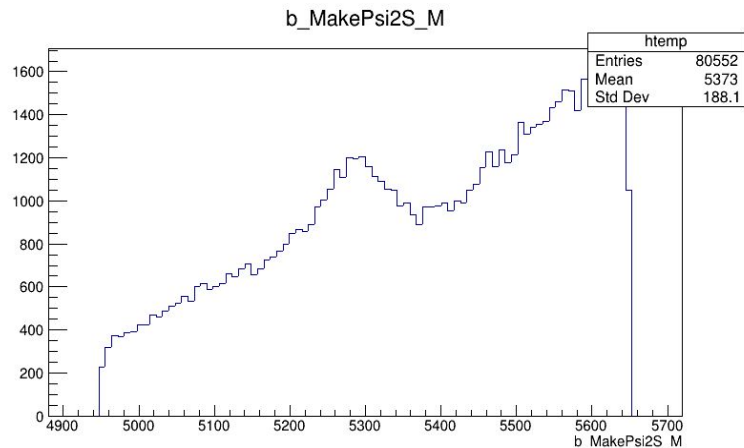
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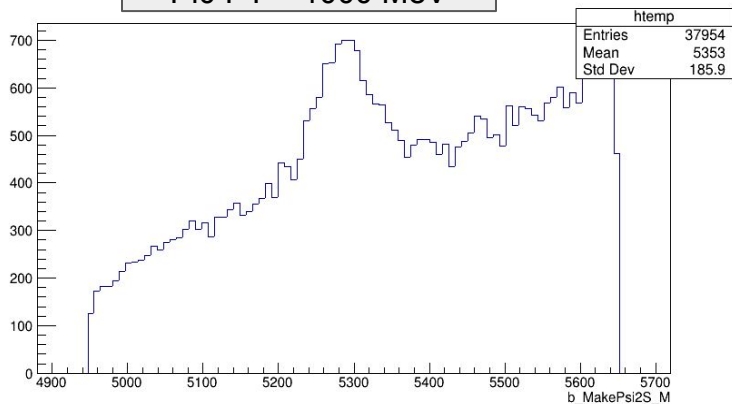


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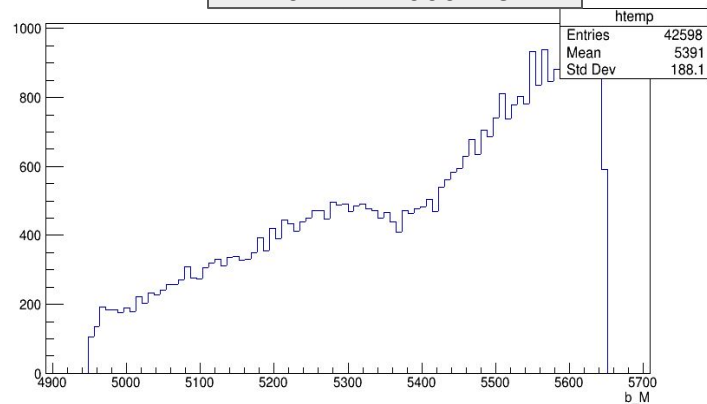
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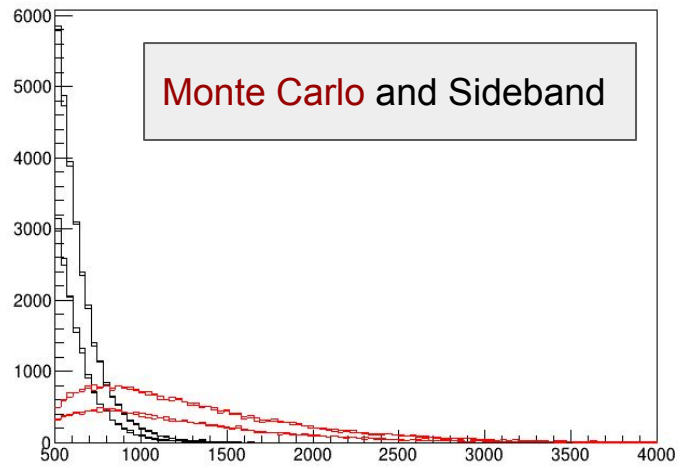
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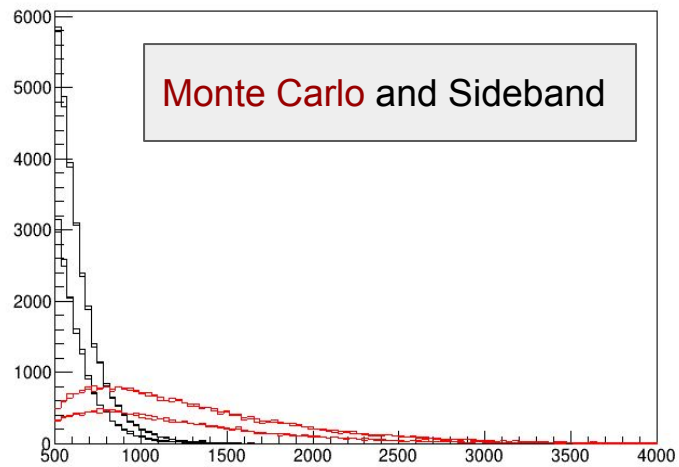
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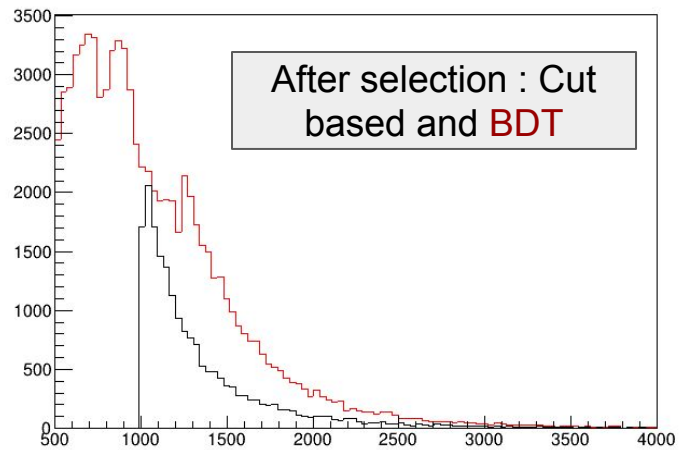
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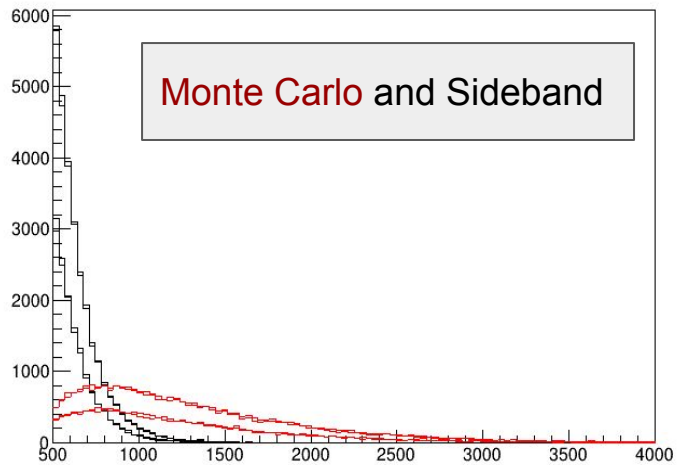
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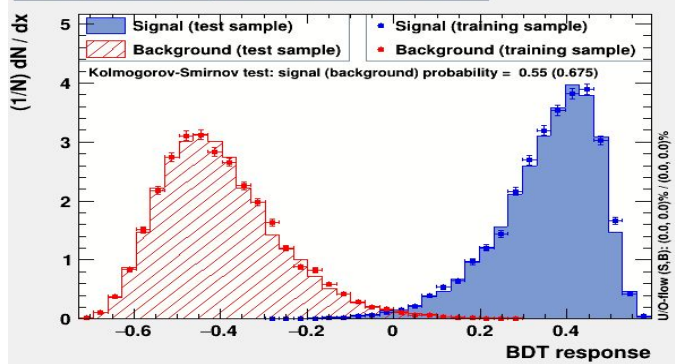
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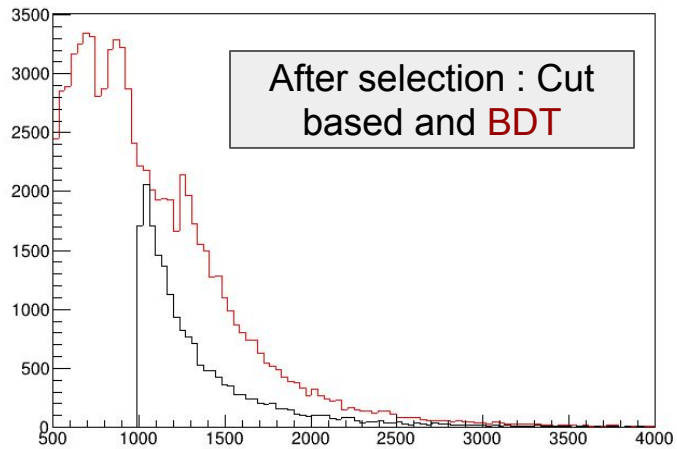
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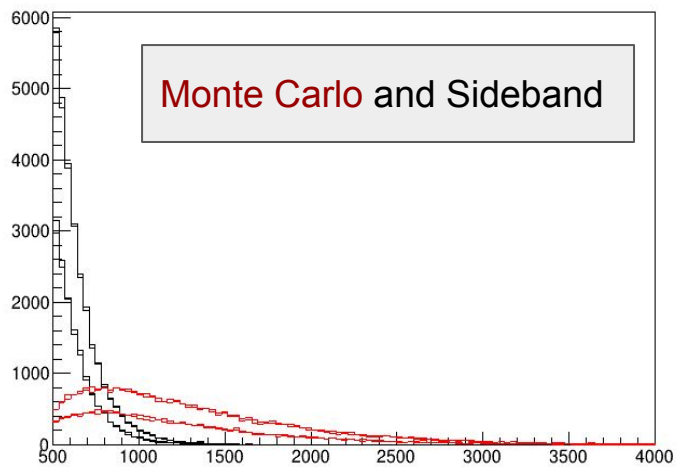
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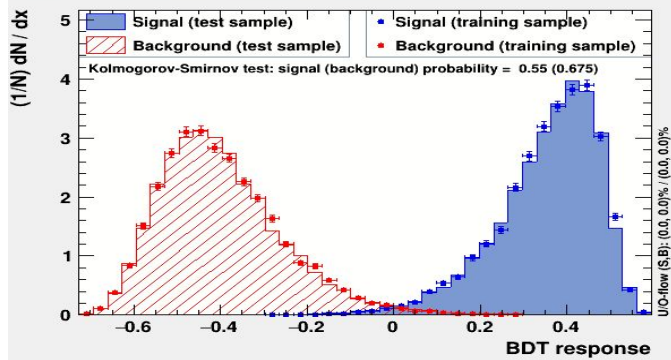
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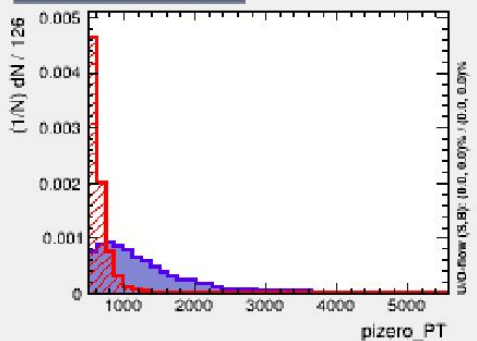
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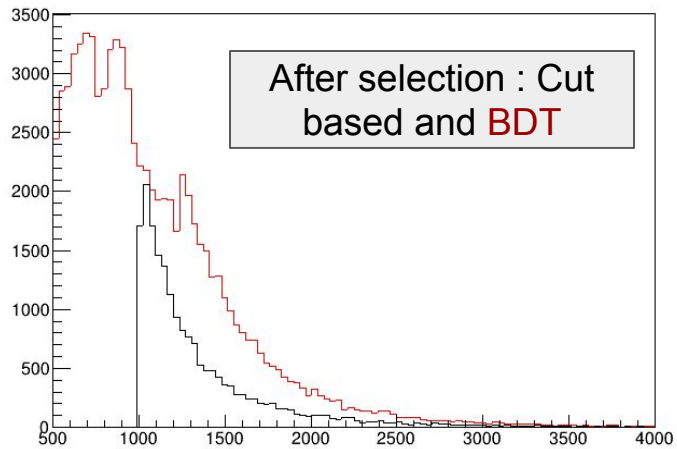
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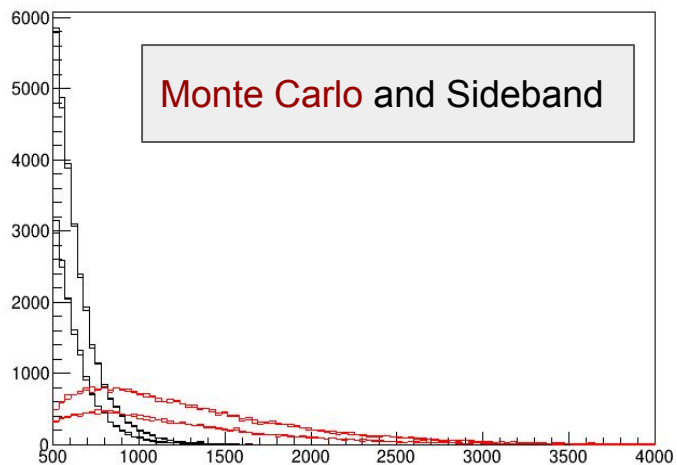
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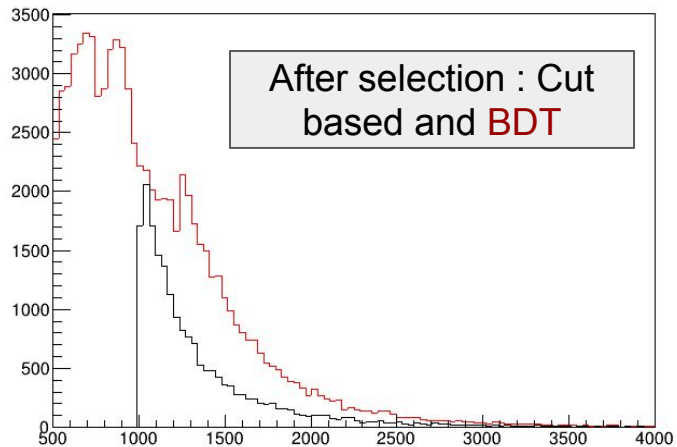
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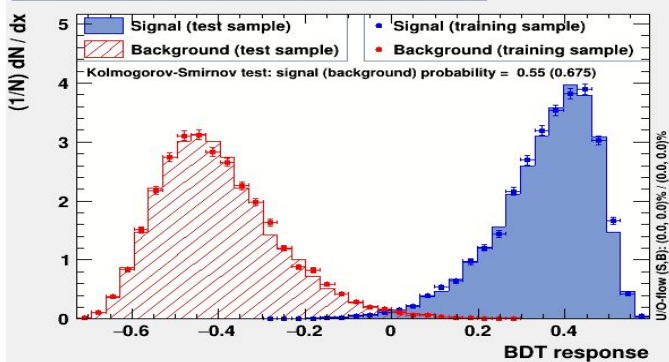
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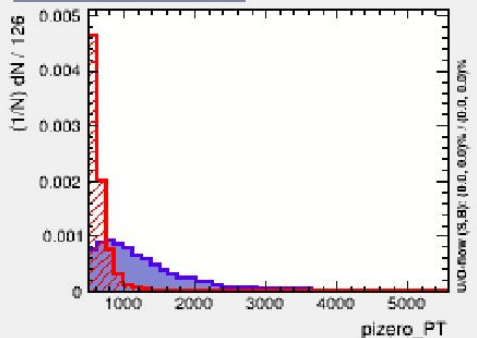
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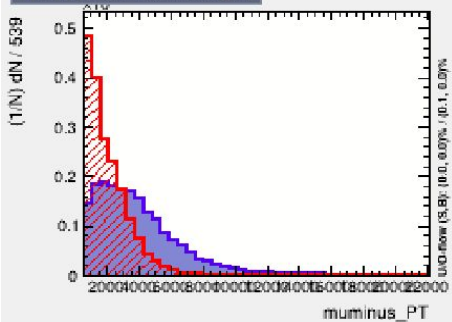
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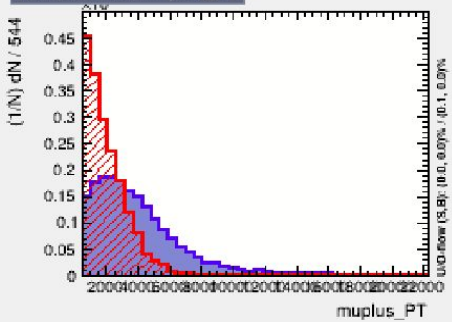
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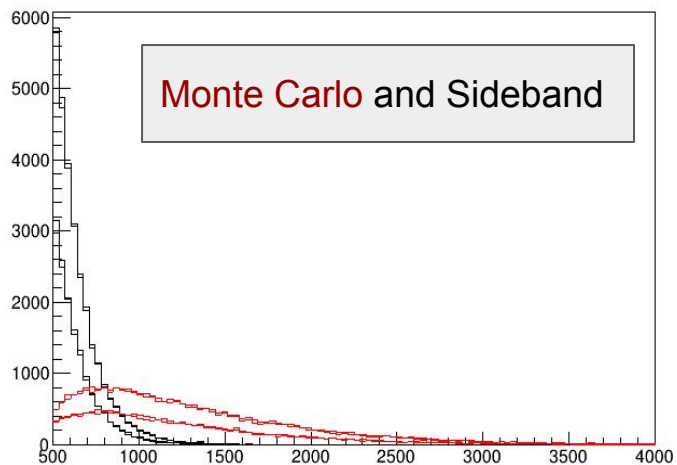
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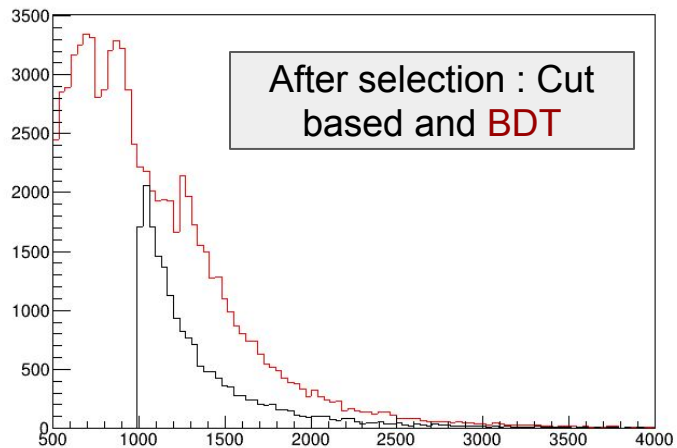
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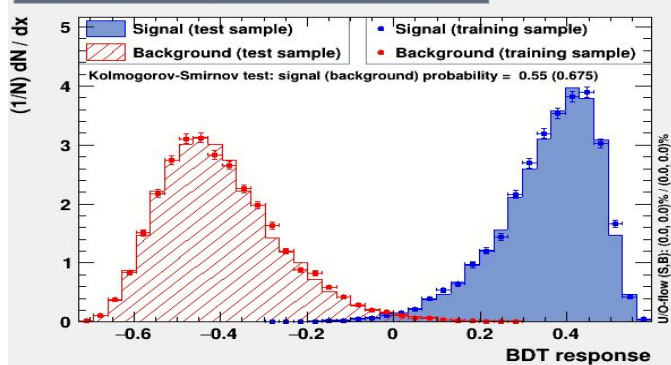
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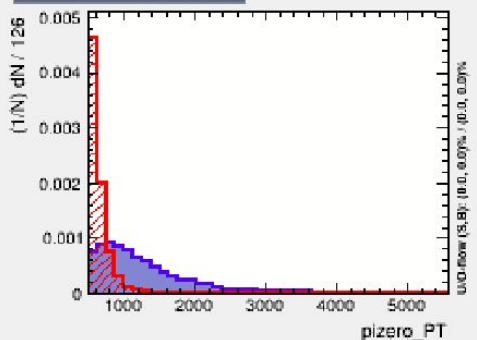
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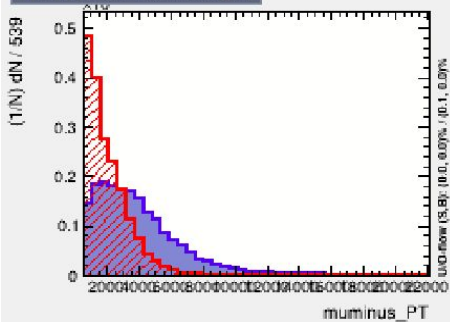
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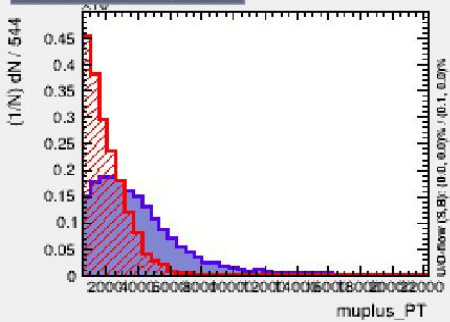
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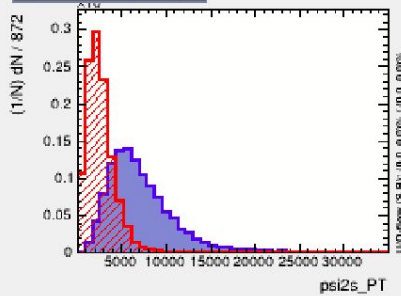
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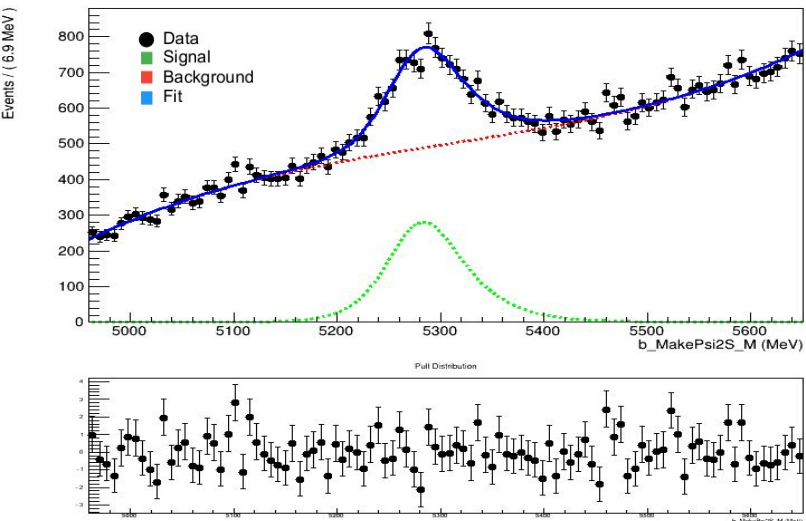
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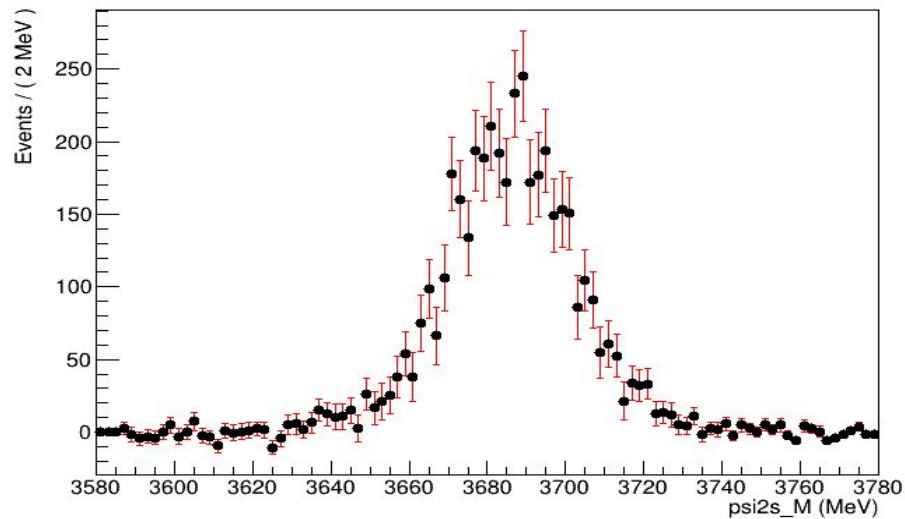
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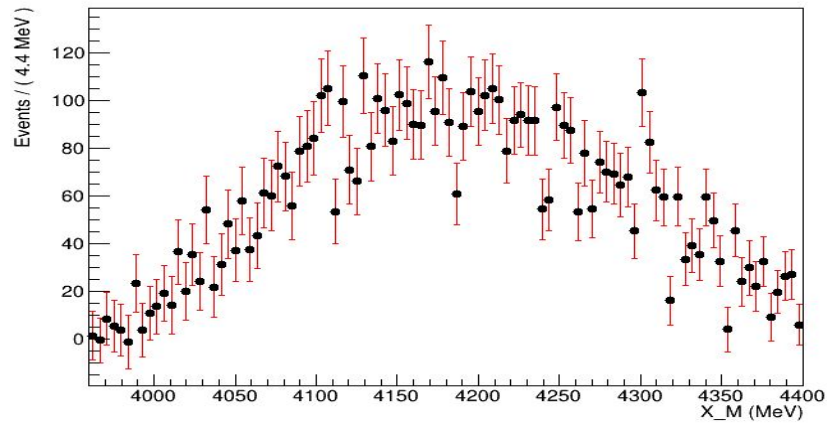
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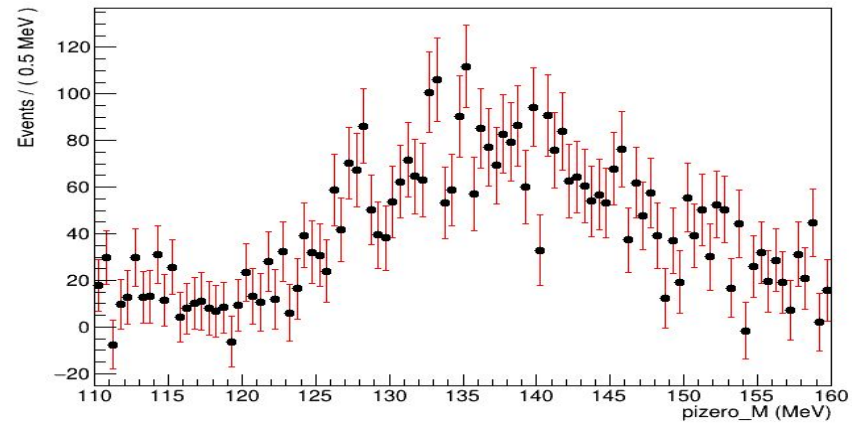
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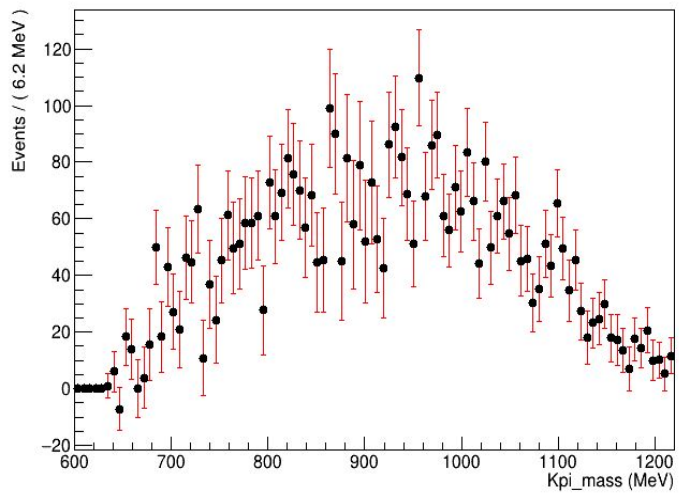
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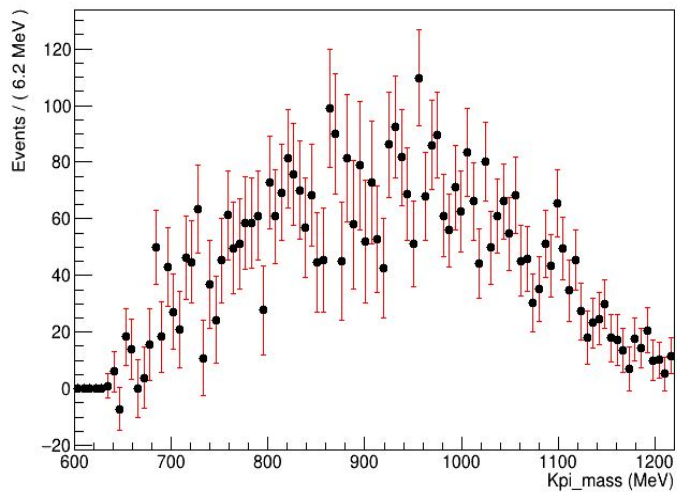


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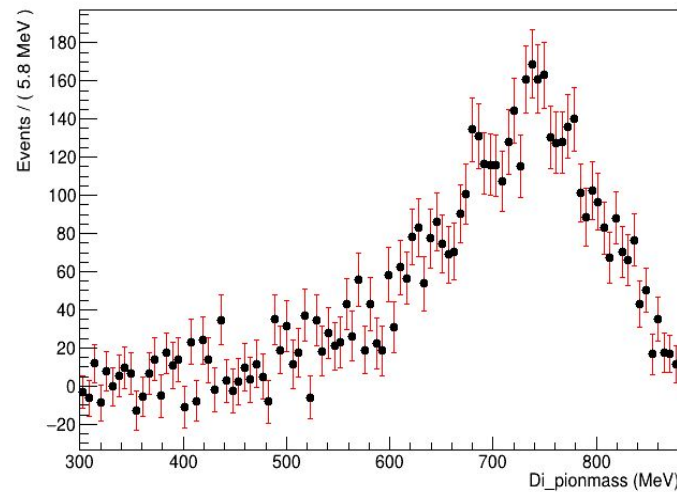
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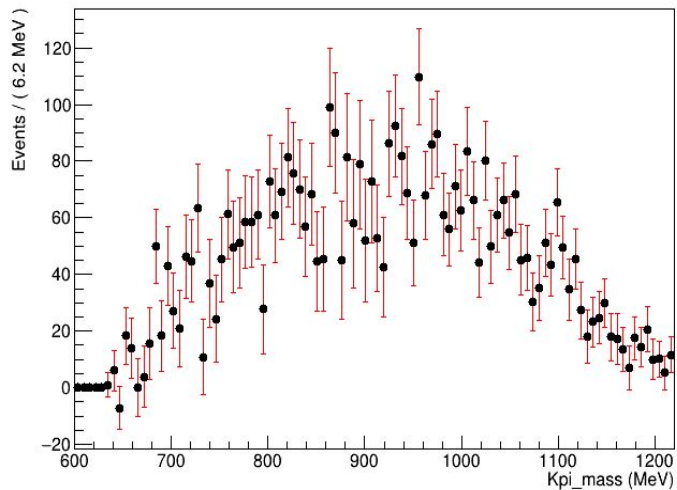
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Peaking structure from charged
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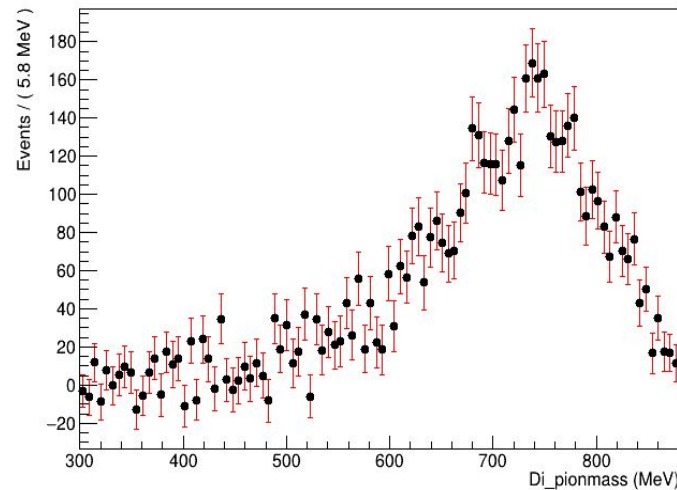
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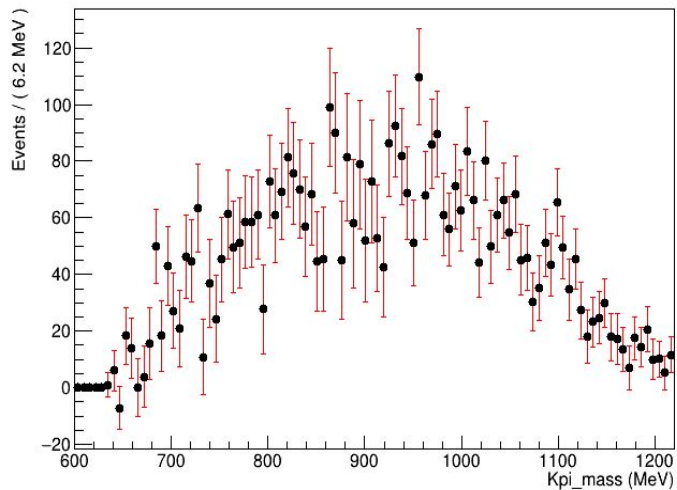
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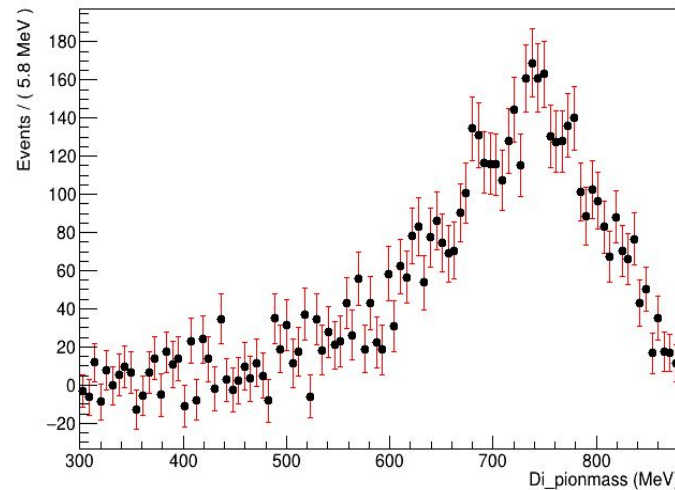
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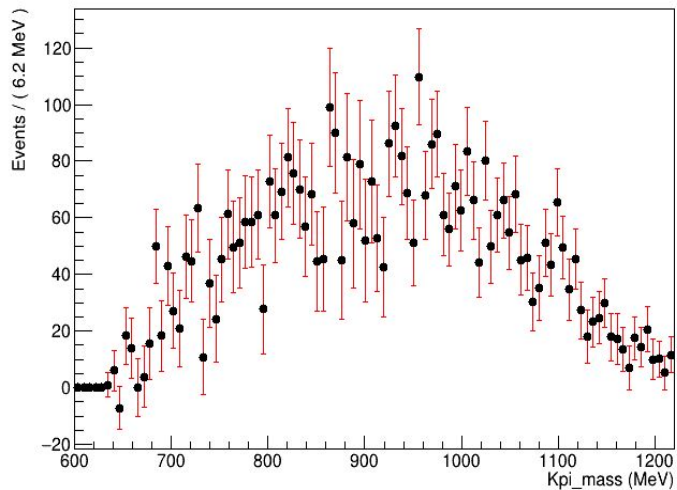
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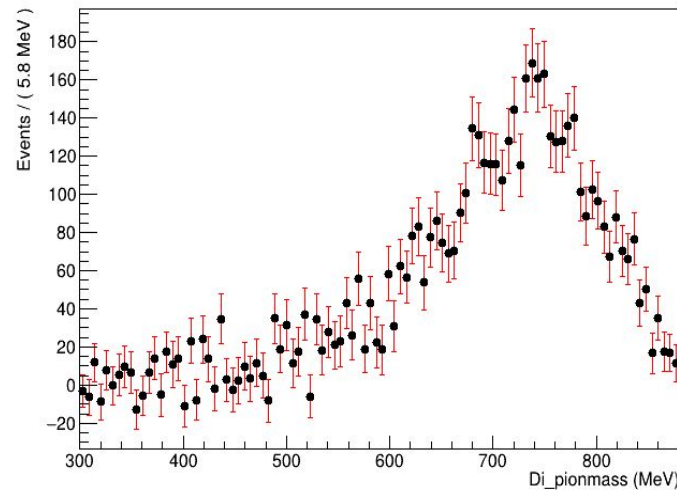
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- Major contribution to signal goes via : $B^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S) \rho^- K^+$ with $\rho^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^-$
- The problem is : MC without rho used for optimisation data that prefers rho!!

To summarise, we have made observation of 2 new decay modes of B0 meson along with presence of signatures from exotic tetraquarks as intermediate states.

Future Plans

- For each decay mode, perform PID correction for Kaons and pions.
- Identify sources of problematic structures in the B mass distribution and remove them.
- Another task would be to measure the branching fraction of each decay mode with systematic and statistical errors with respect to a reference channel.
- We also plan for the possibility of launching an amplitude analysis for the second decay with exotic structures X(3940), X(4140) and $\psi(4230)$.

Lot more to do!!

BACK UP

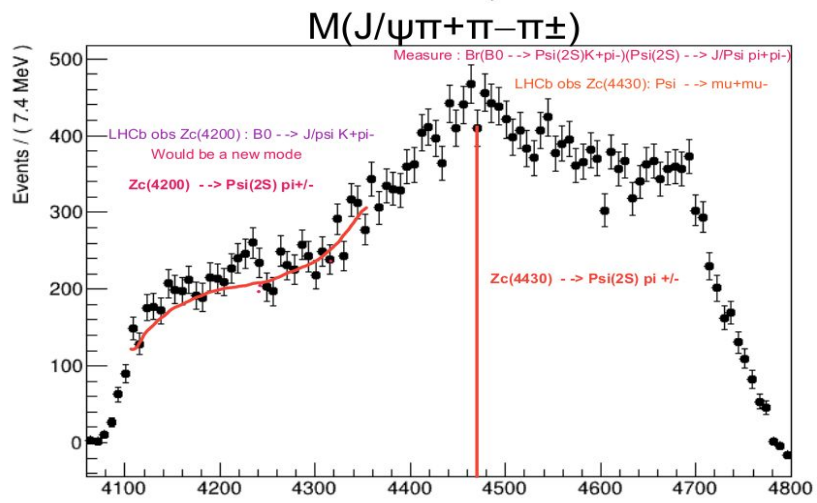
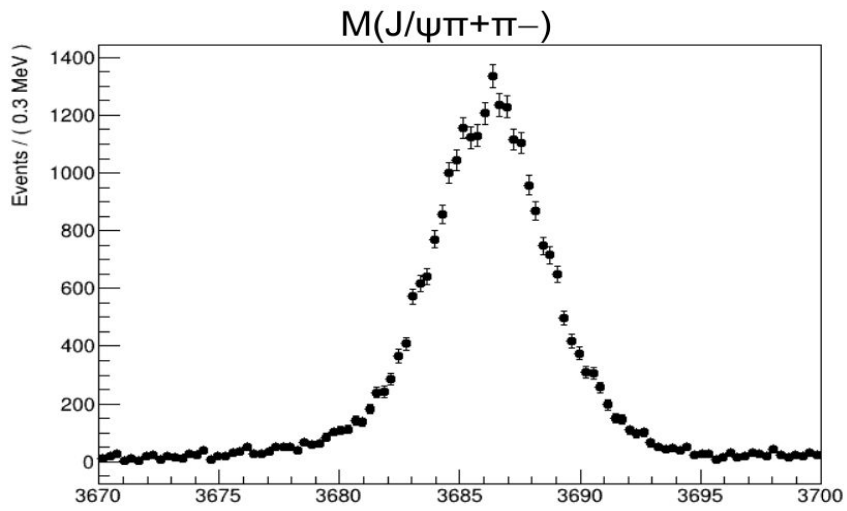
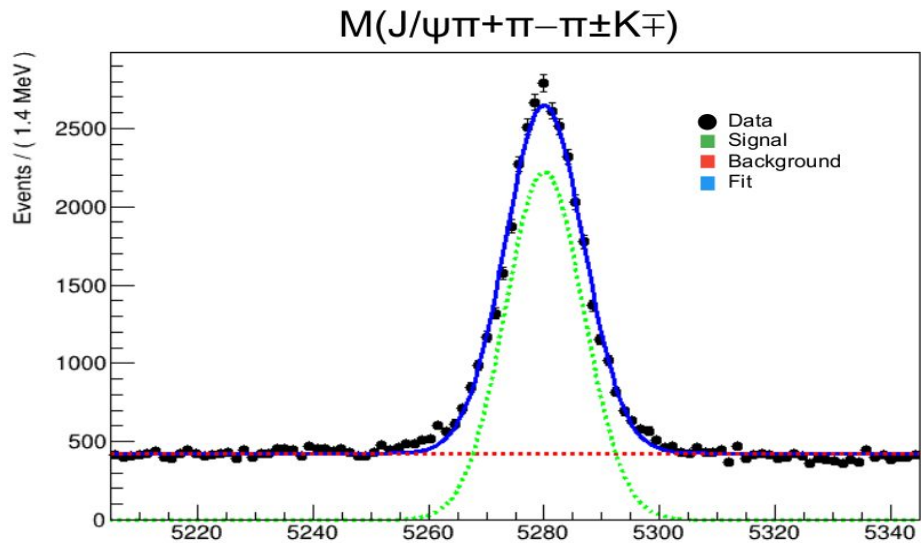
Selection Cuts

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μ^\pm	PROBNNMU	> 0.5
	χ^2 IP	> 10
π^\pm	PROBNNPI	> 0.4
	p_T	> 400 MeV
	P	> 3200 MeV
K^\pm	η	2 - 5
	P	> 3200 MeV
	PROBNNK	> 0.15
B_0	M (J/ψ constrained)	5200 - 5350 MeV
	χ^2 DTF (J/ψ constrained)	< 5
	χ^2 IP	< 9
	FDS	> 5

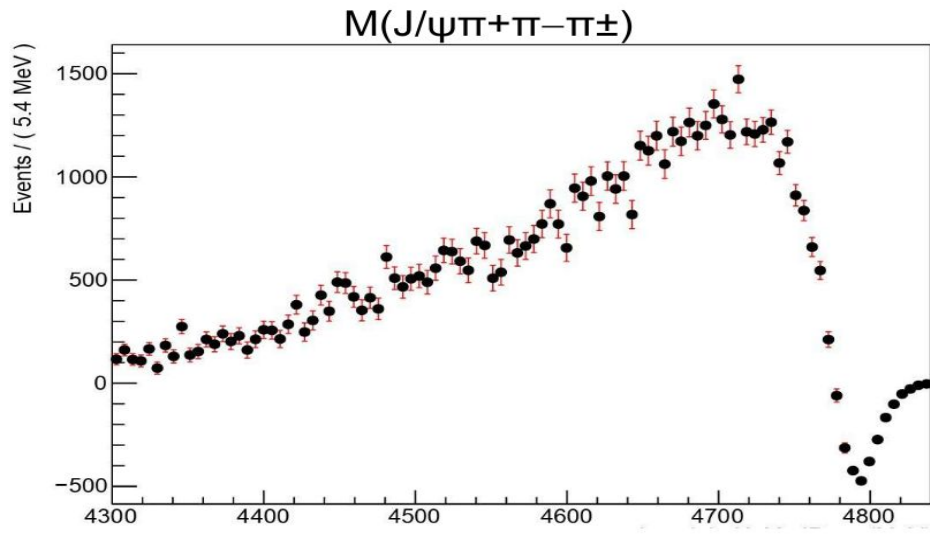
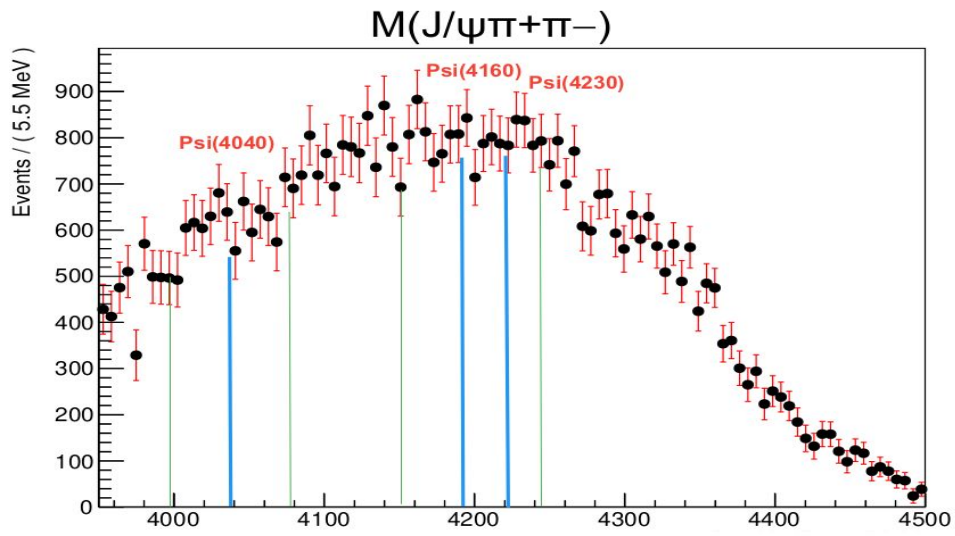
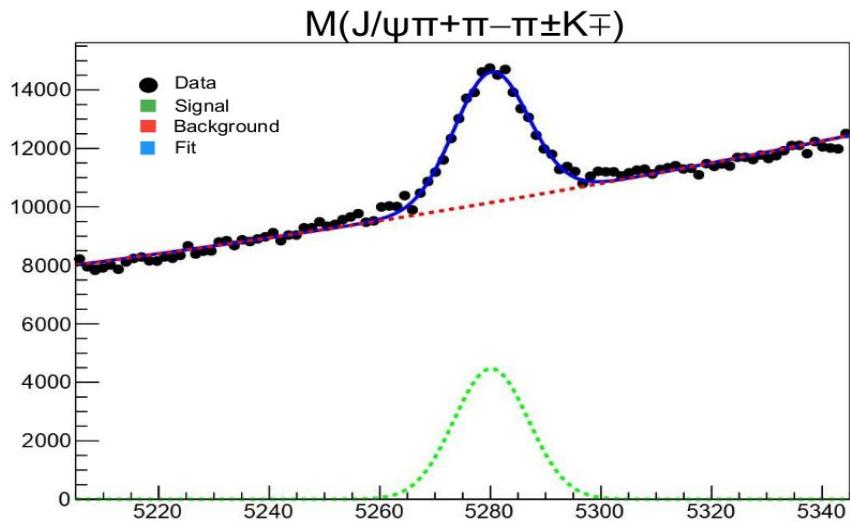
Decay I :

Pre-Selection Cuts		
Particle	Parameter	Selection
μ^\pm	p_T	> 550 MeV
J/ψ	M($\mu^+\mu^-$)	3056 - 3136 MeV
π^\pm	p_T	> 300MeV
Y ($\psi(3770)$)	AM	3500-4500 MeV
X ($Z_c(4200)$)	M	< 5000 MeV
B_0	BPVLTIME	> 0.25 ps
	M	4950 - 5650 MeV

Range I :



Range III :



Selection Cuts		
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μ^\pm	PROBNNMU	> 0.5
	χ^2 IP	> 10
π^\pm	PROBNNPI	> 0.4
	p_T	> 400 MeV
	P	> 3200 MeV
	χ^2 IP	> 4
π^0	p_T	> 1000 MeV
K^\pm	η	2 - 5
	P	> 3200 MeV
	PROBNNK	> 0.15
	χ^2 IP	> 4
B_0	M (J/ψ constrained)	5150 - 5450 MeV
	χ^2 DTF (J/ψ constrained)	< 5
	χ^2 IP	< 9
	FDS	> 5

Decay II

- Fit performed on J/ψ constrained B mass
- S-weights extracted from signal region.
- We look for B meson signal and possibility of structures in invariant mass combinations of daughter particle.