

Optimisation of Decay Selections

$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-$ e $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^-$
for \mathcal{CP} Asymmetry Measument

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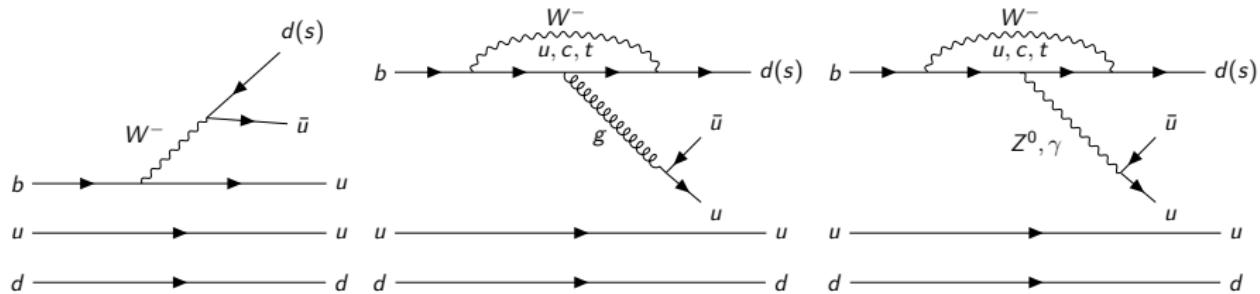
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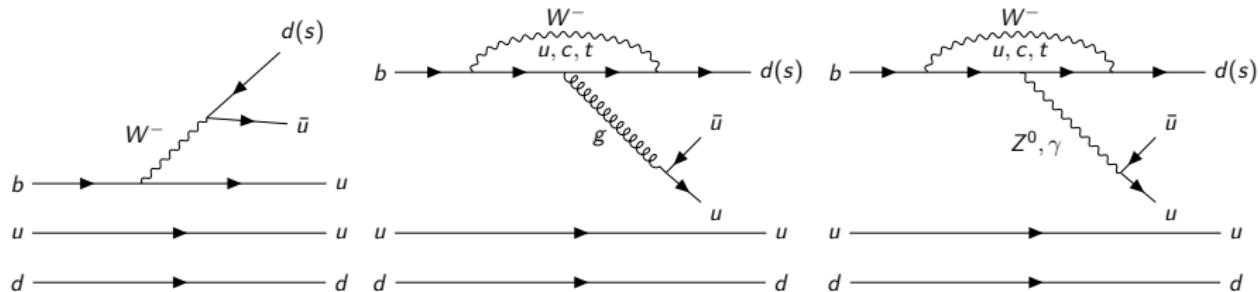
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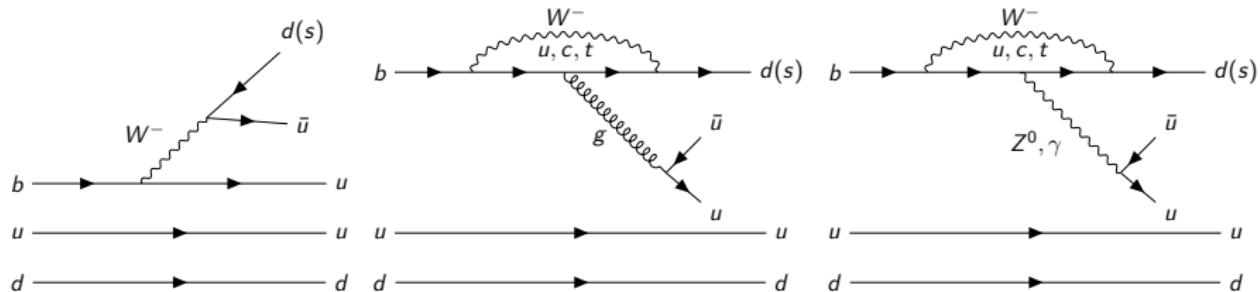
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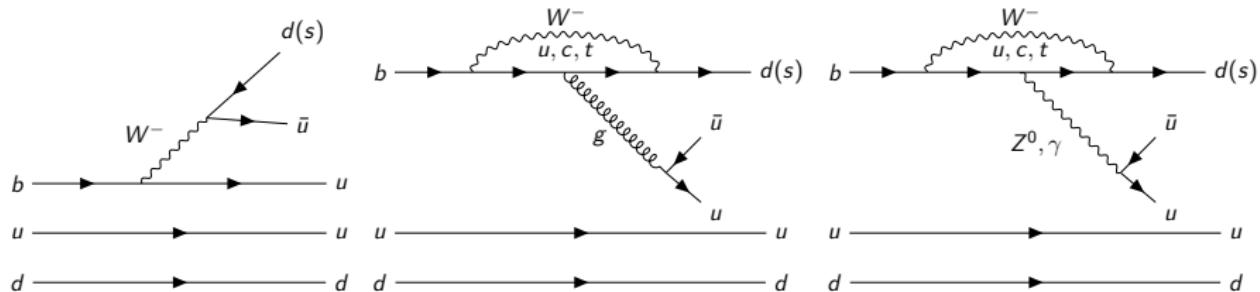
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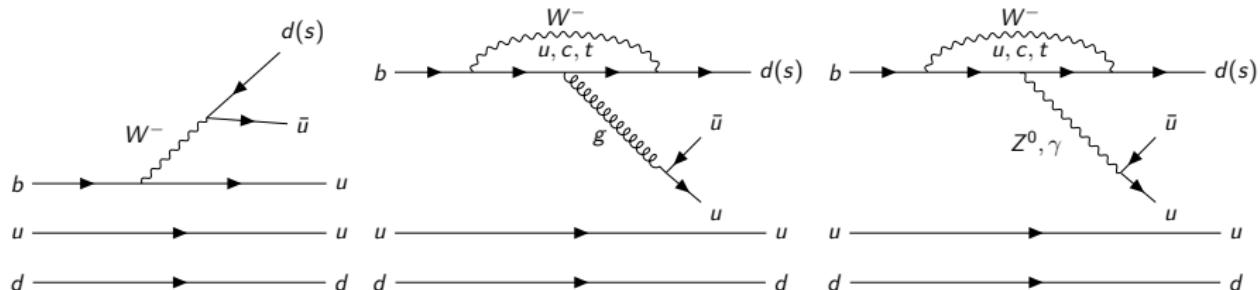
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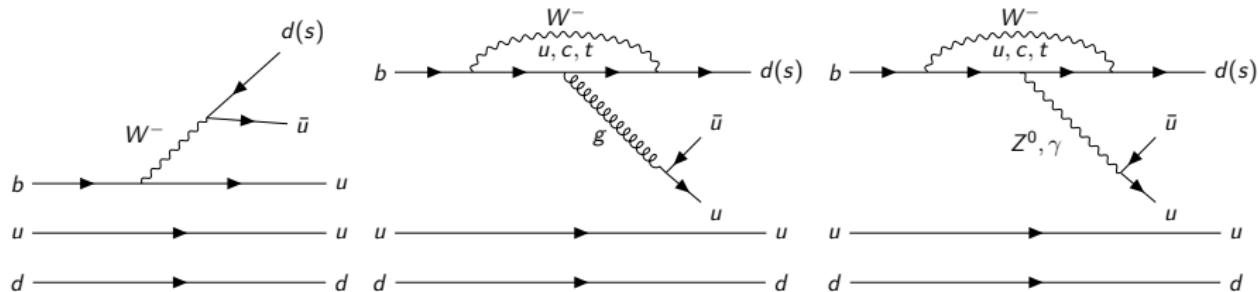


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Similar transitions → \mathcal{CP} violation for Λ_b^0 ?

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Run 2 data (LHCb, 6 fb⁻¹ @ $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV) (+ Run 1 review)

Bigger data sample + Selection optimisation

→ Reduction of statistical uncertainty

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 - Reduce contribution of cross-feed decays

Optimisation of BDT and PID variables

Investigation of cuts in a 5-dimensional space

(1 BDT + 4 PID) → Best precision on \mathcal{A}_{RAW}

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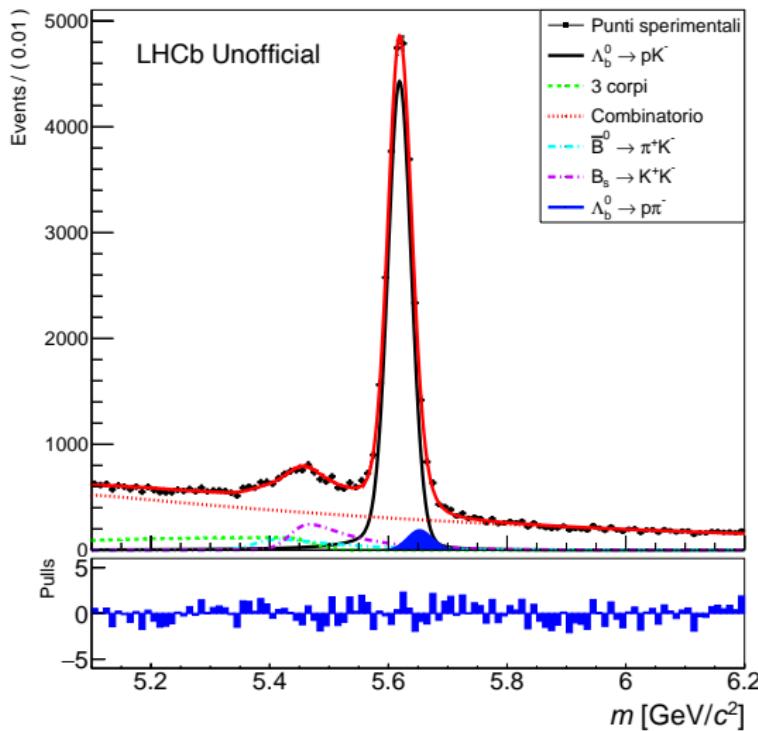
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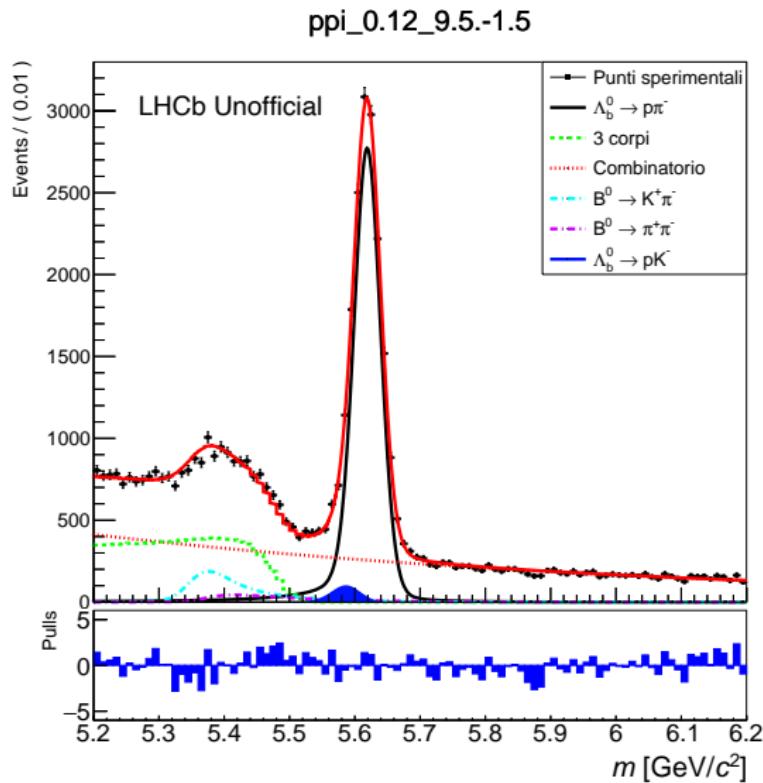
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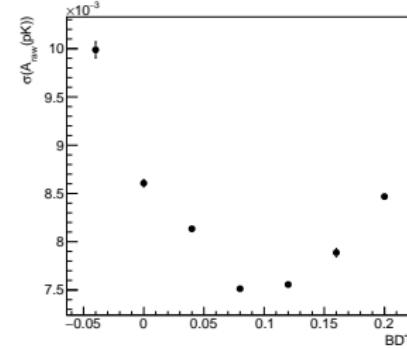
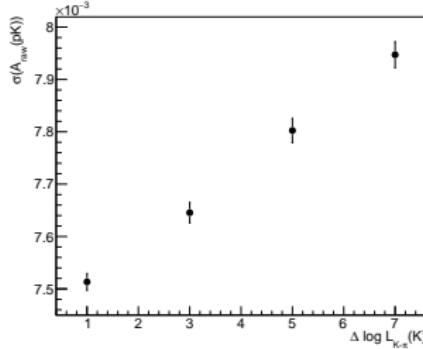
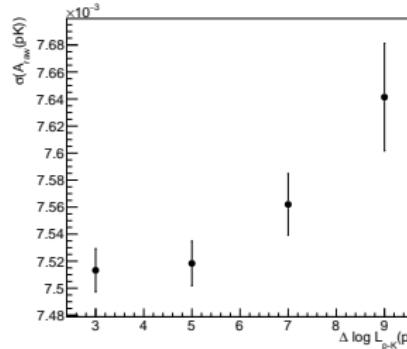
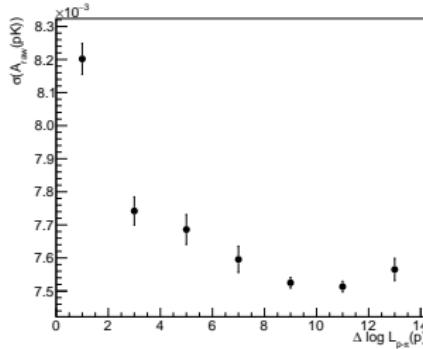
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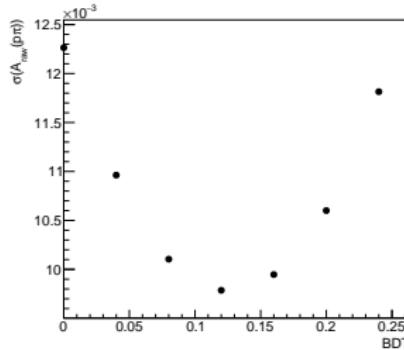
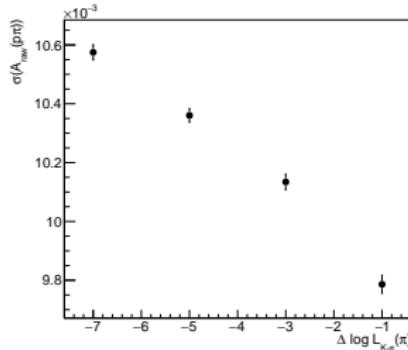
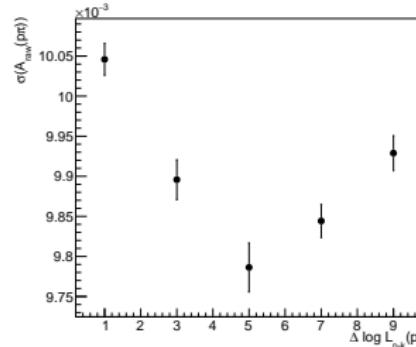
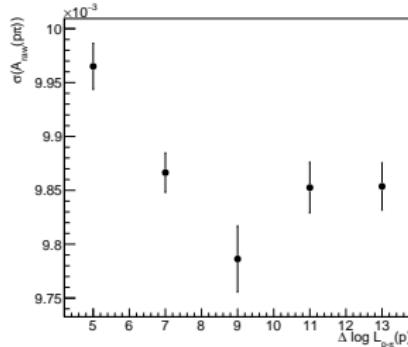
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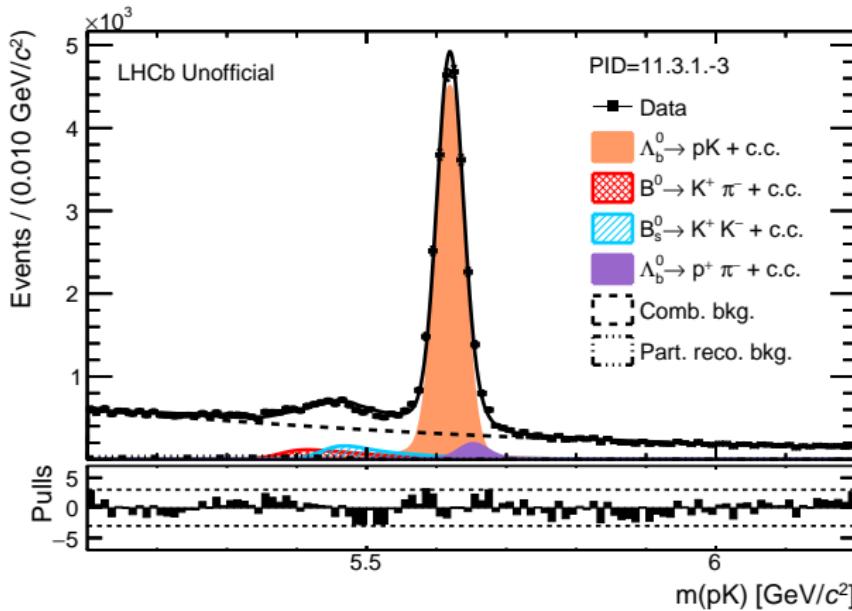
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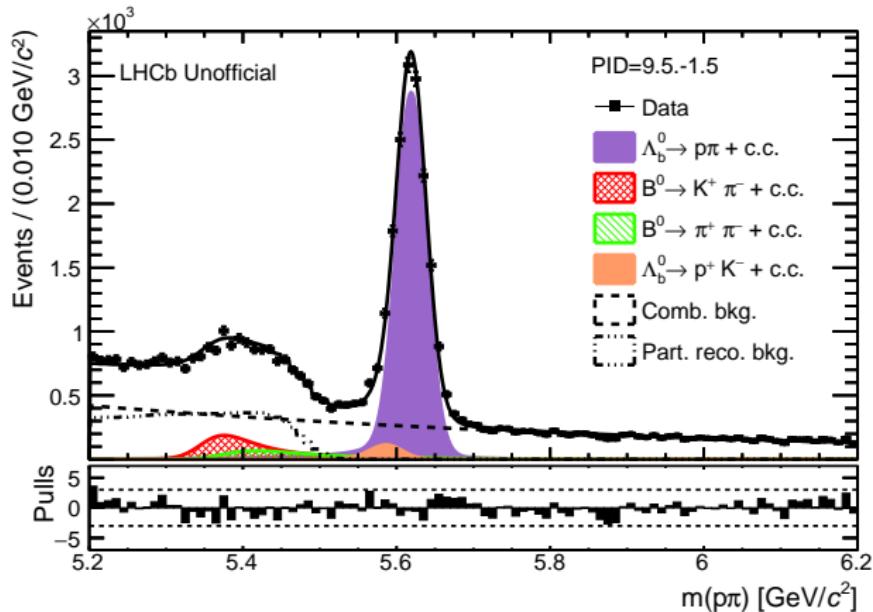
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- Improvement by a factor ≈ 2 , in line with prediction
- Complete analysis for $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{CP}}$ in the two decay channels still in progress (LHCb group)
 - Determine all missing contributions to $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{CP}}$
 - Measurements of systematic effects and related uncertainties
 - (Review of Run 1 measurement)

Thank you for your attention.

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Extra

Investigated Cuts

Selection A ($\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK$), 2940 combinations

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$\Delta \log \mathcal{L}_{p-\pi}(p)$	> 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13
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$\Delta \log \mathcal{L}_{K-\pi}(K)$	> 1, 3, 5, 7
$\Delta \log \mathcal{L}_{K-p}(K)$	> $-\Delta \log \mathcal{L}_{p-K}(p) \rightarrow -1$ (step-size: 2)
BDT	> $-0.04 \rightarrow 0.2$ (step-size: 0.04)

Selection B ($\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi$), 3920 combinations

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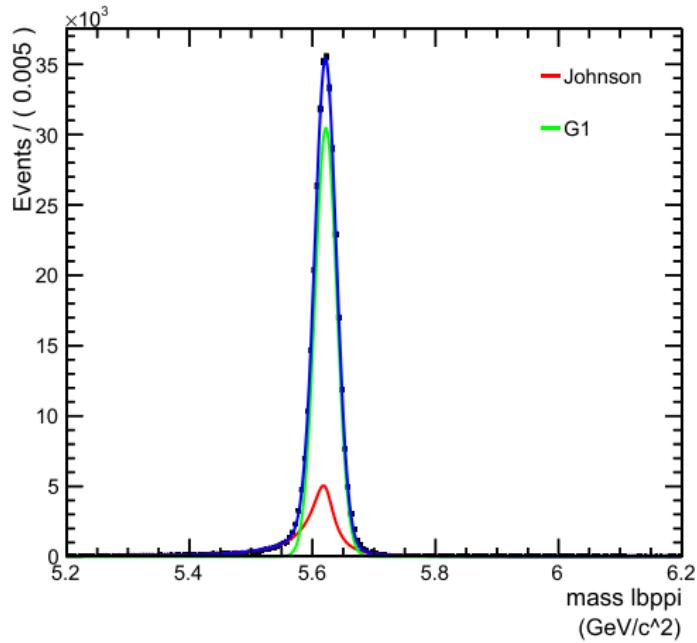
Fit Models

Considered contributions:

- Signal
- Cross-feed backgrounds
- Partially reconstructed background (3 bodies)
- Combinatorial background

Signal

$$g(m) = c_1 G(m; \mu = m_{\Lambda_b^0}, \lambda) + c_2 \mathcal{J}(m; \mu = m_{\Lambda_b^0}, \lambda, \gamma, \delta)$$



Cross-feed Background

One of the particles of the final state is wrongly identified

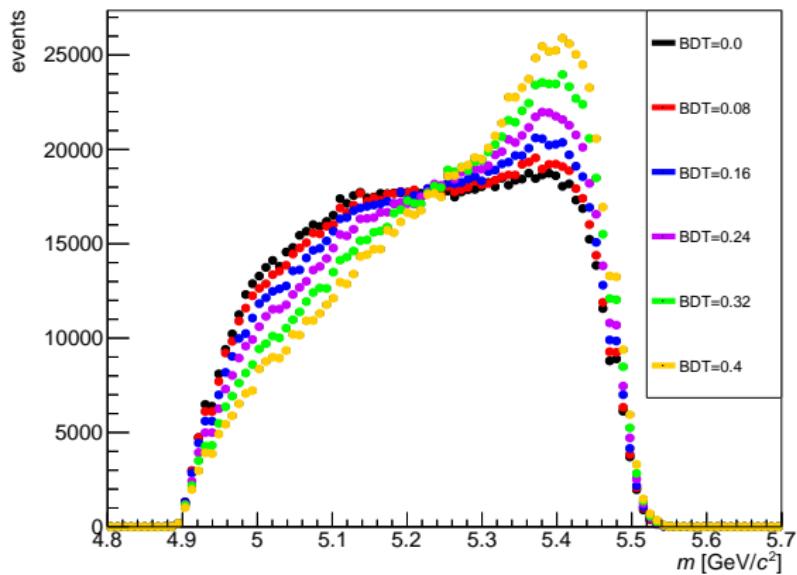
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Constraint on the cross-feed yield to reference yield

$$N_i = N_j \cdot \frac{\Gamma(i)}{\Gamma(j)} \frac{f_i}{f_j} \frac{\varepsilon_i}{\varepsilon_j}$$

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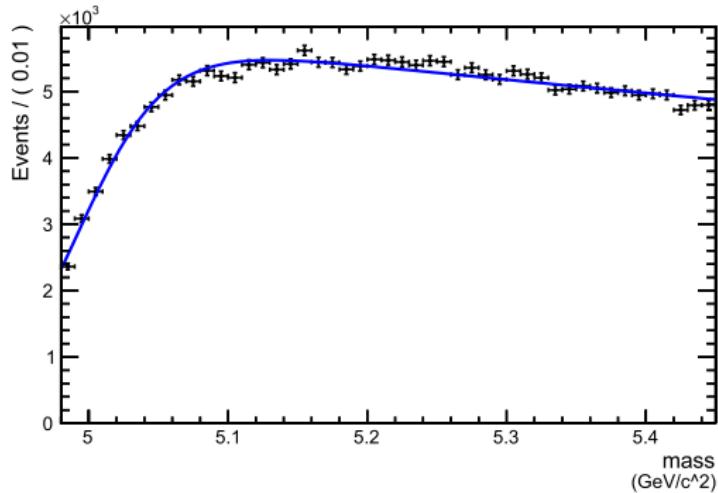
Obtained with RapidSim (<https://github.com/gcowan/RapidSim>)



- Negligible PID dependence
- BDT cut variation leads to relevant shape variations

Combinatorial Background

$$f(m) = C(1 + \tanh(b \cdot (m - s)))e^{-k \cdot m}$$



- Using $b = 0$ for $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi$ (pure exponential background)

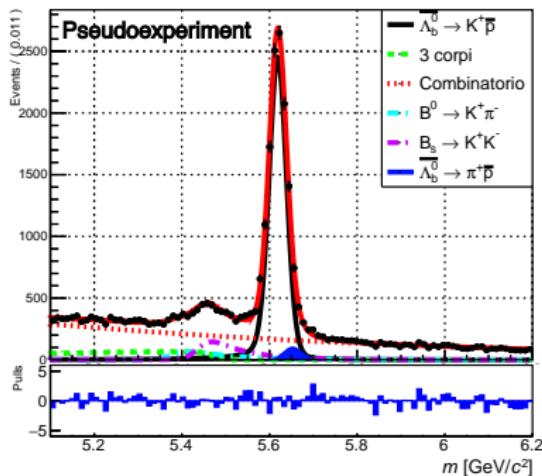
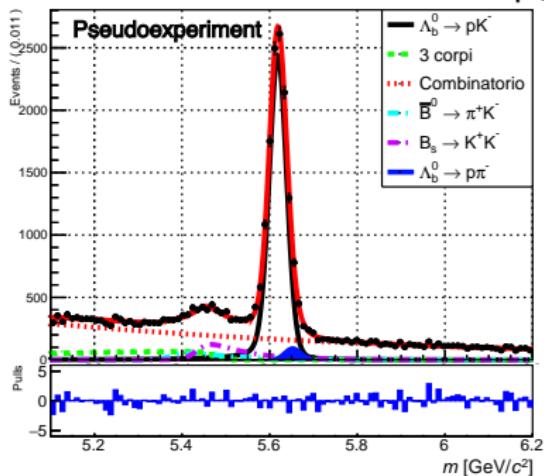
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$\Delta \log \mathcal{L}_{p-\pi}(p)$	>	9
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BDT	>	0.12

Pseudoexperiment pK

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Pseudoexperiment $p\pi$

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