

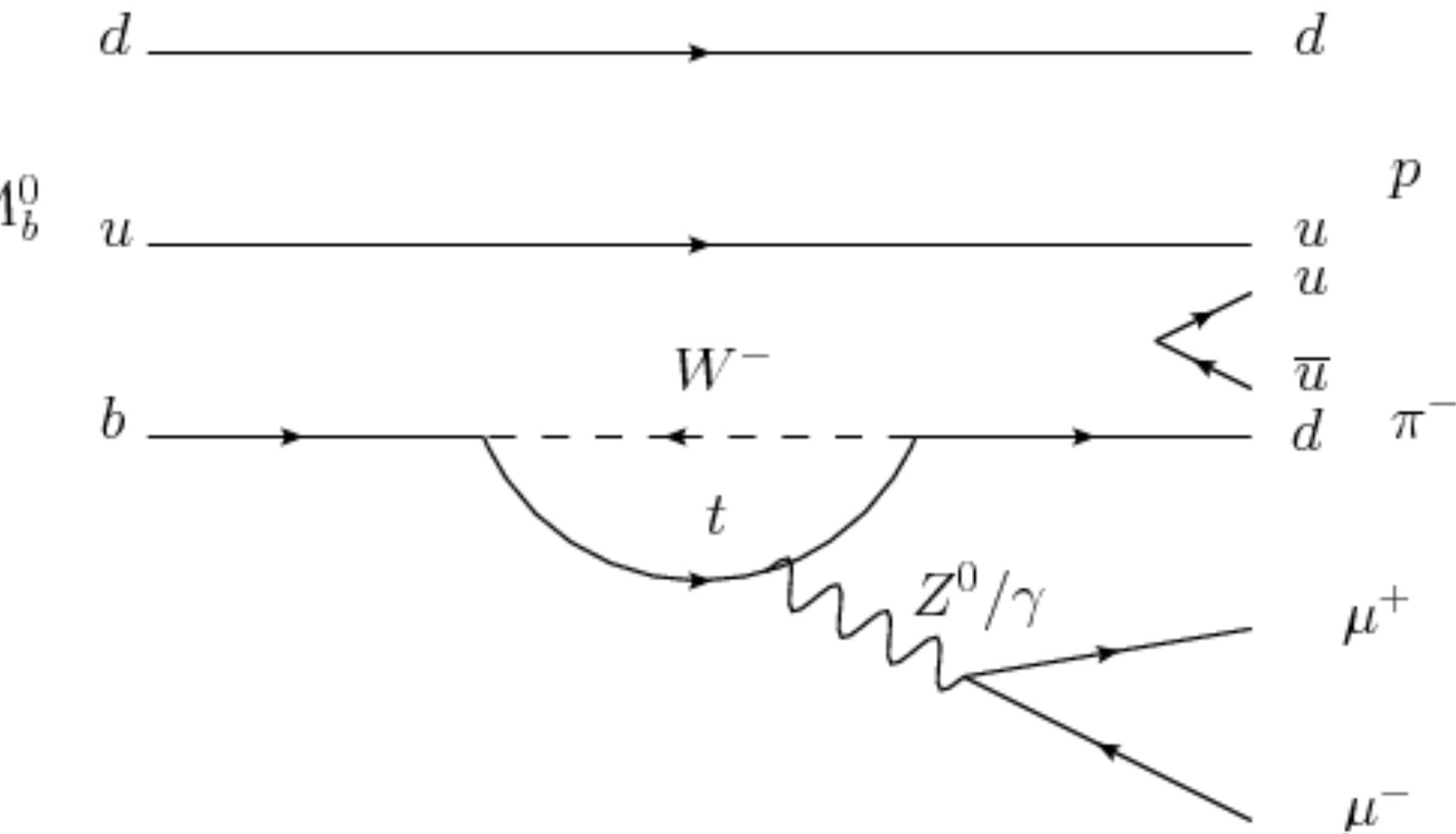
$\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi\mu\mu$ full run1+run2 branching fraction analysis

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Why?

- $b \rightarrow d\ell^+\ell^-$ transitions are highly suppressed in the SM and a good probe for NP
- First observation and BF measurement of $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-$ with Run 1 data [1]
- Goals of this analysis:
 - Measure BF with full Run1+Run2 dataset [AP]
 - BF in bins of q^2 (if feasible), direct CP asymmetry
 - Look into hadronic $p\pi^-$ spectrum

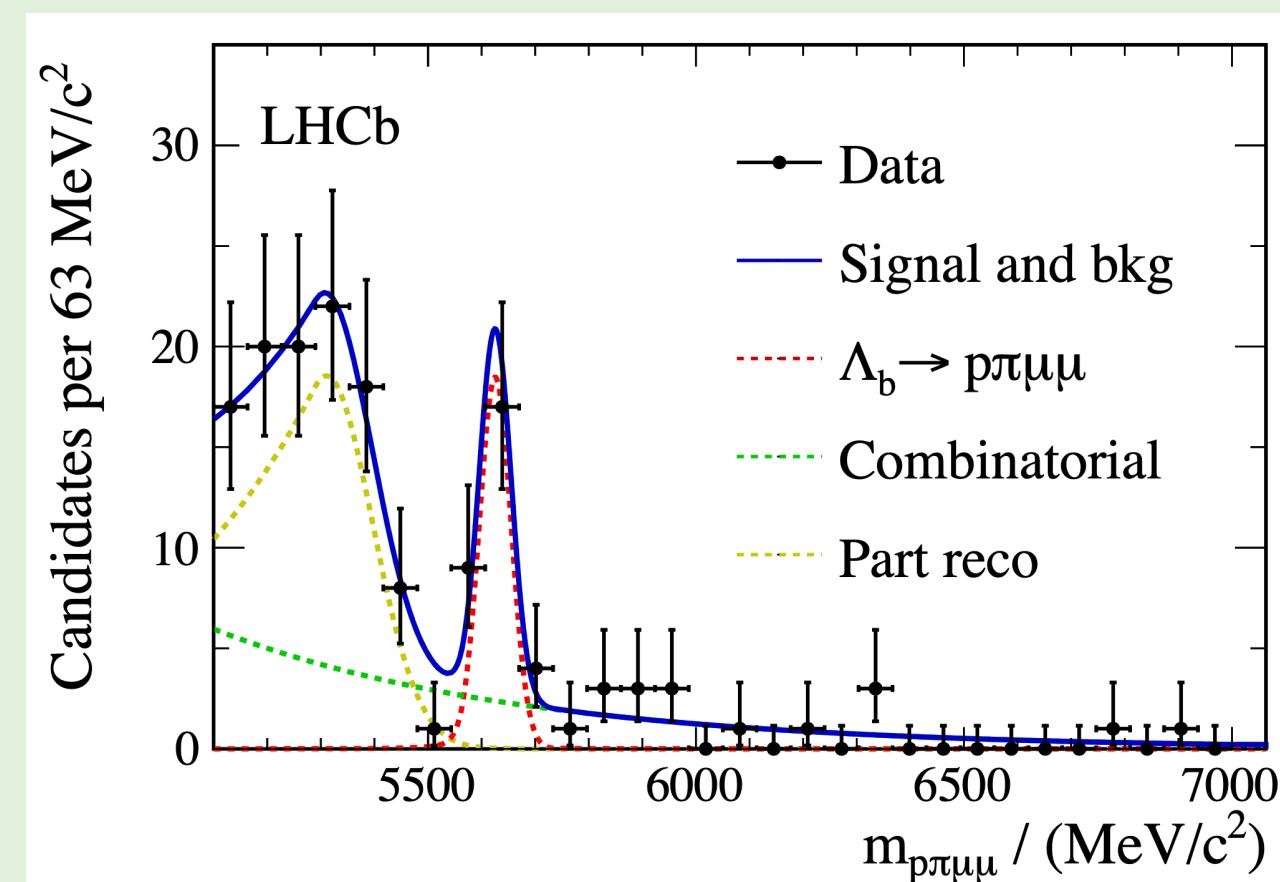


How?

- Can we improve with respect to run 1?

Run 1 selection

- Very tight PID cuts
 - Proton PID
 - all misID



Reproduced by CCNU

Now: Run1+Run2

- Loosen all PID cuts
 - Study a new selection
- Use simultaneous fit:
 - Fit $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK\mu\mu$ and $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi\mu\mu$
 - Constrain midID of pK reconstructed as $p\pi$ using the $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK\mu\mu$ yield (more later)

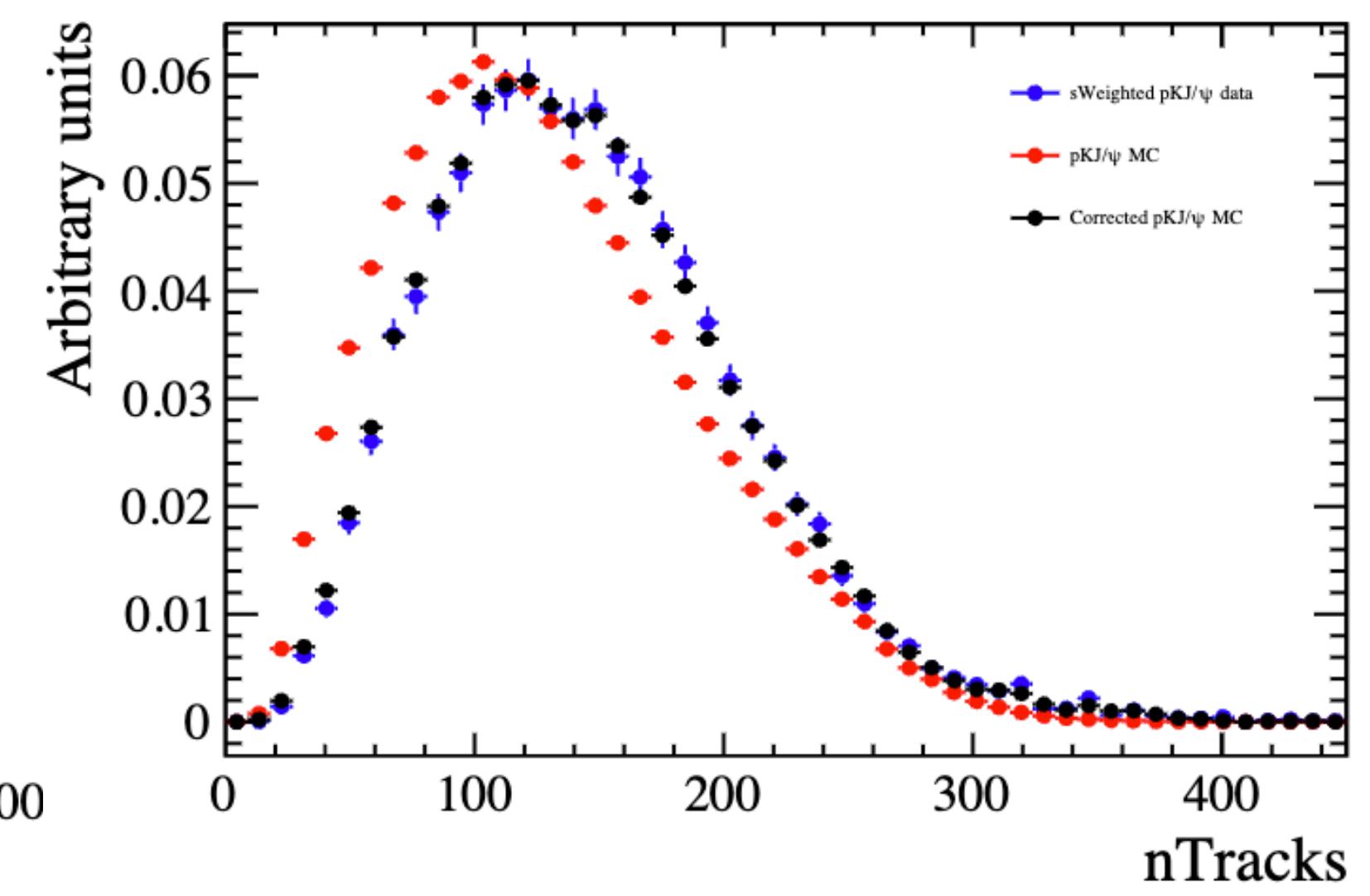
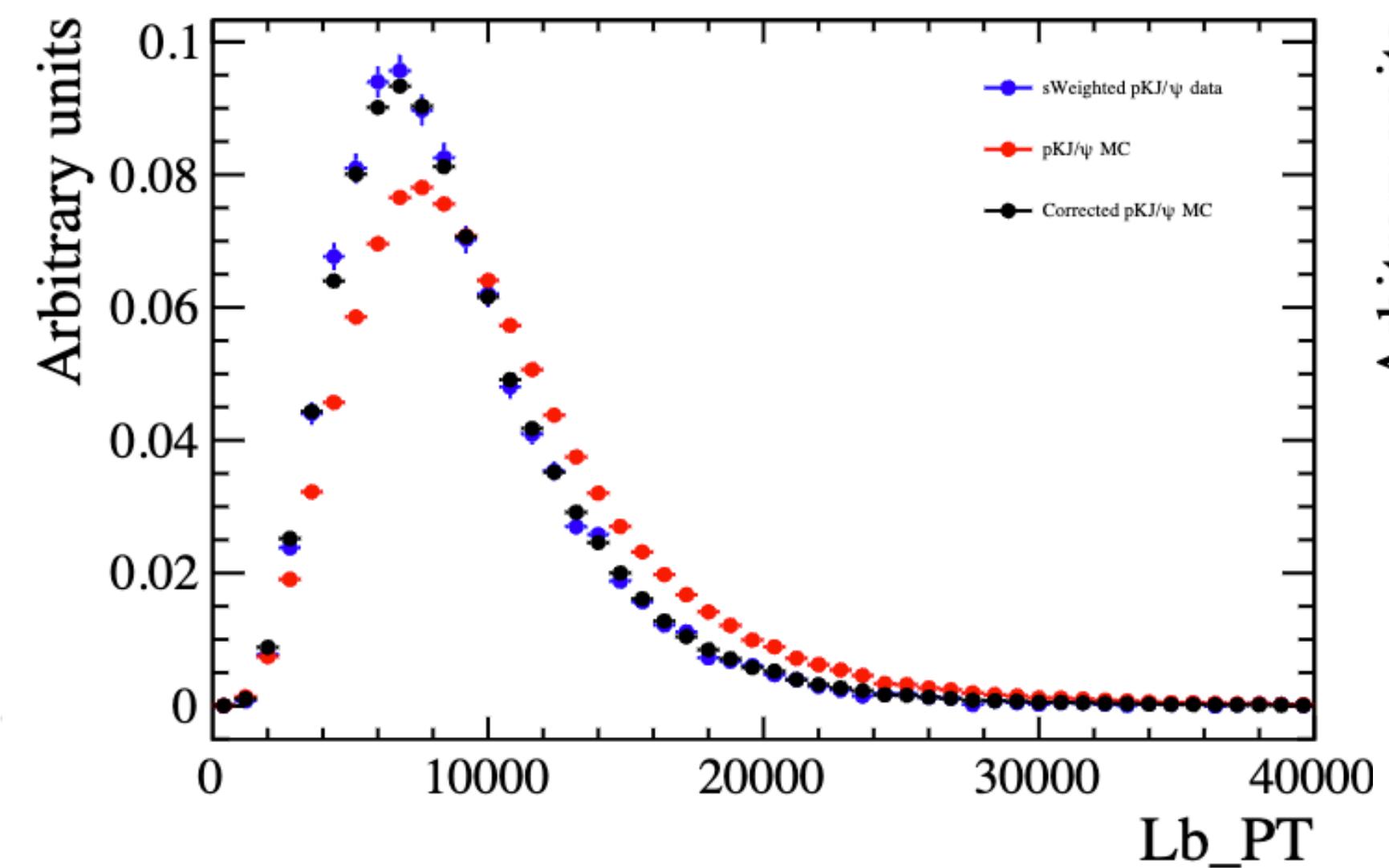
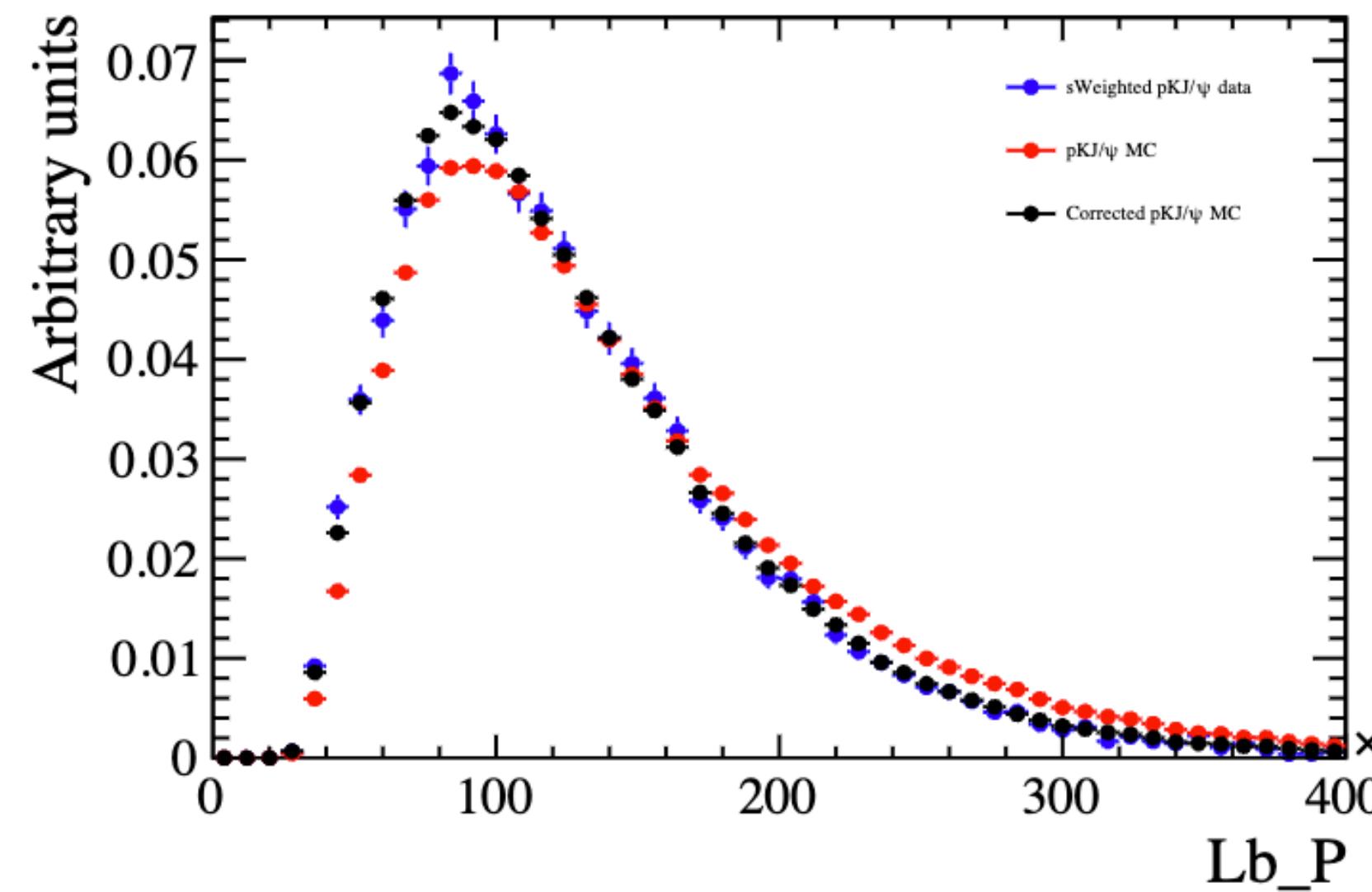
Studied by Barcelona and us

MC corrections

- Kinematics
 - Correction of generated shape of $p^{\Lambda_b}, p_T^{\Lambda_b}, \tau^{\Lambda_b}, \text{nTracks}$
- PID corrections: PIDcorr
- q^2 : theoretical calculation of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^0 \mu\mu q^2$
- $m(p\pi)$: 1D correction
- $m(pK)$: pentaquark angular analysis

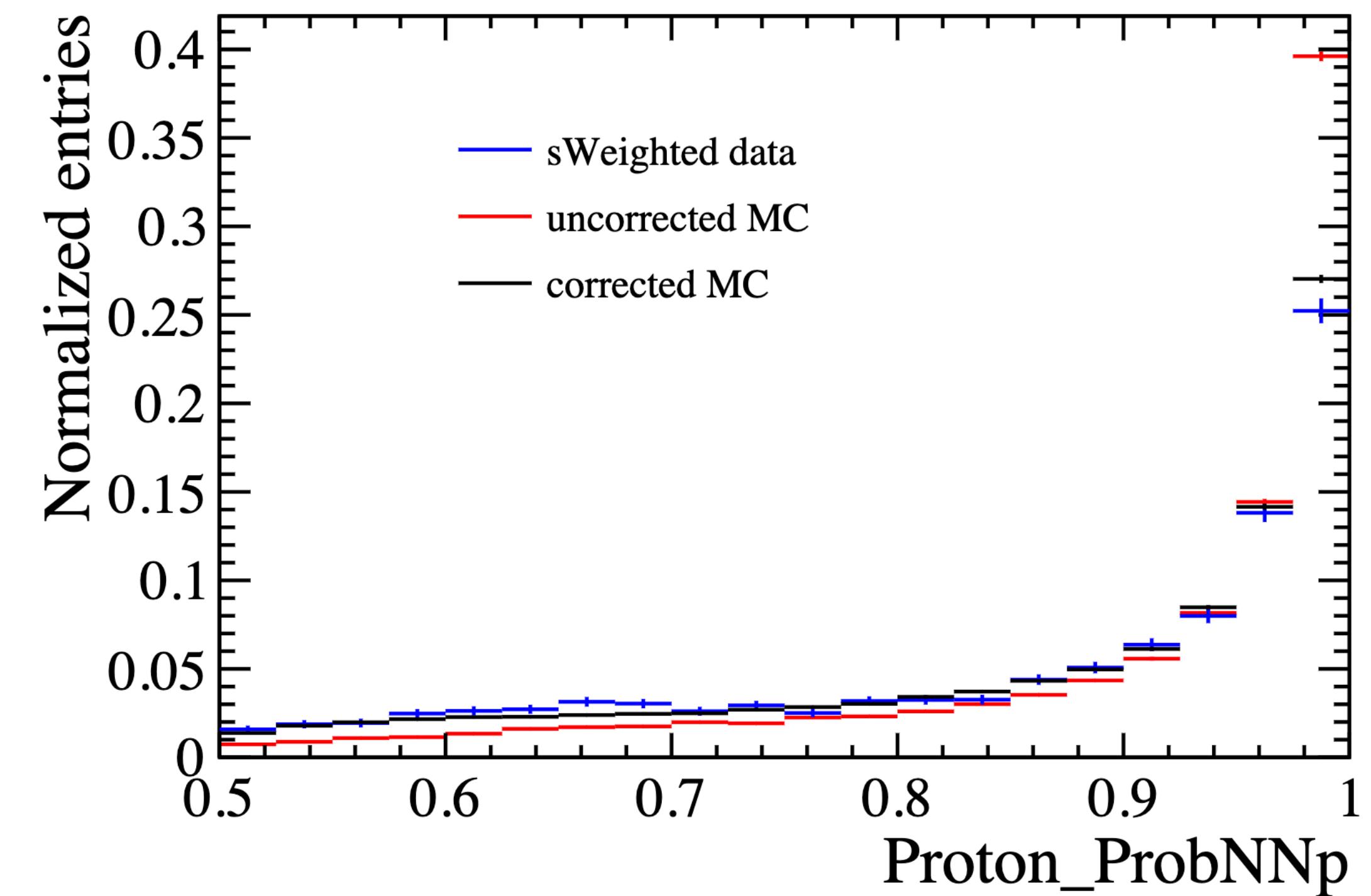
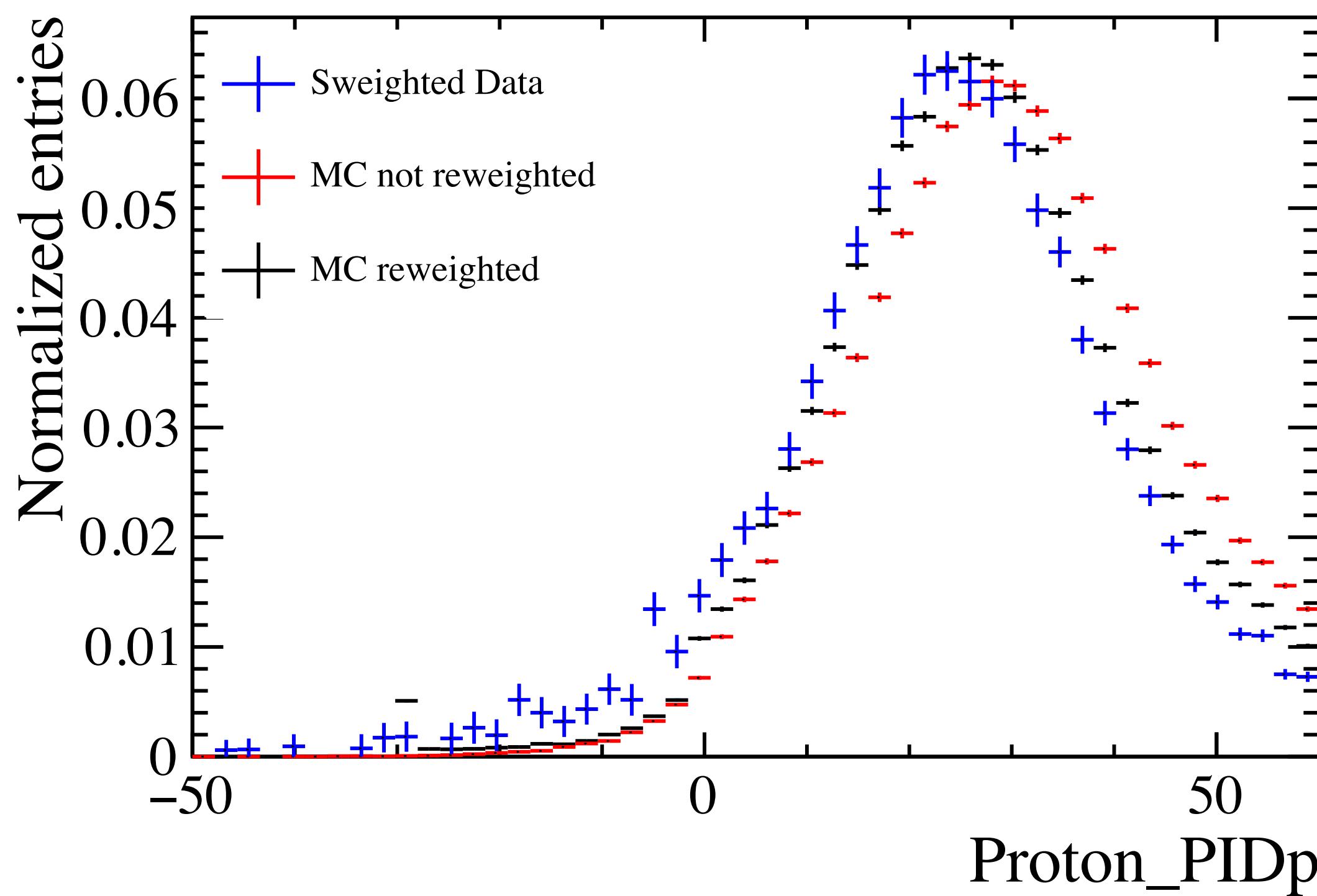
Kinematic corrections

- Corrected p^{Λ_b} , $p_T^{\Lambda_b}$, τ^{Λ_b} , nTracks from the $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pKJ/\psi$ MC and sWeigthed data
- Same weights are applied to the $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi J/\psi$ and $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi\mu\mu$ MC



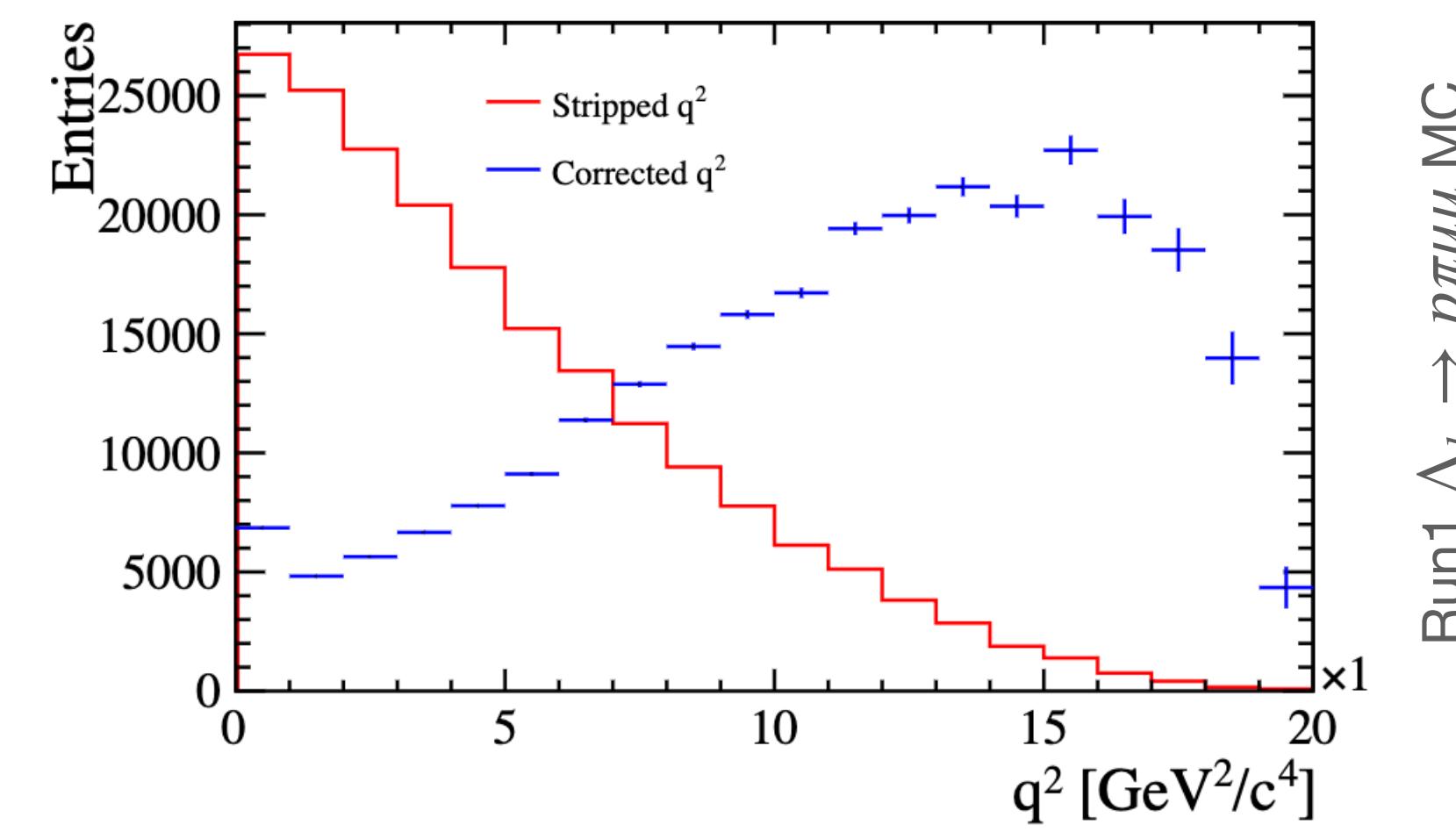
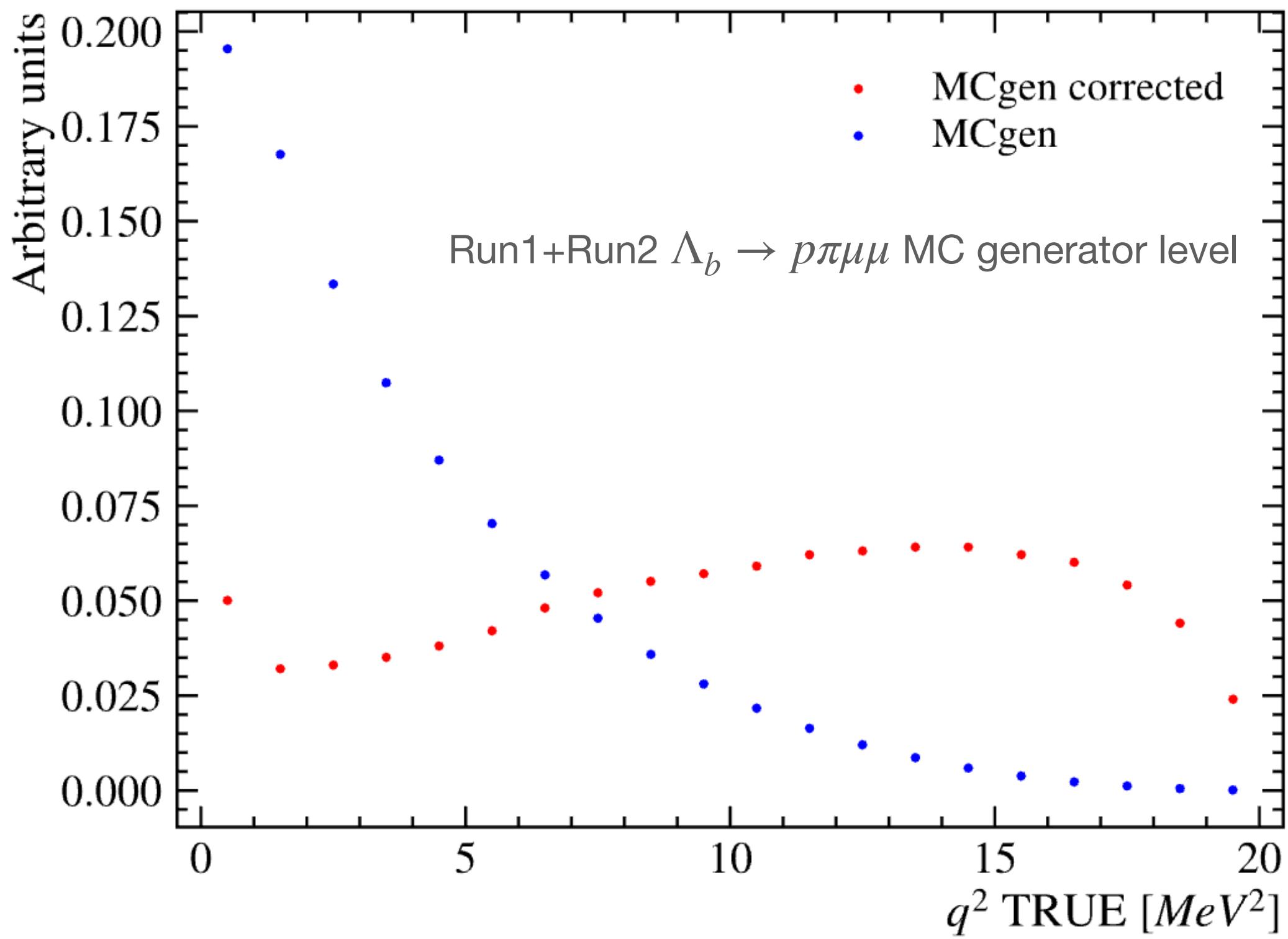
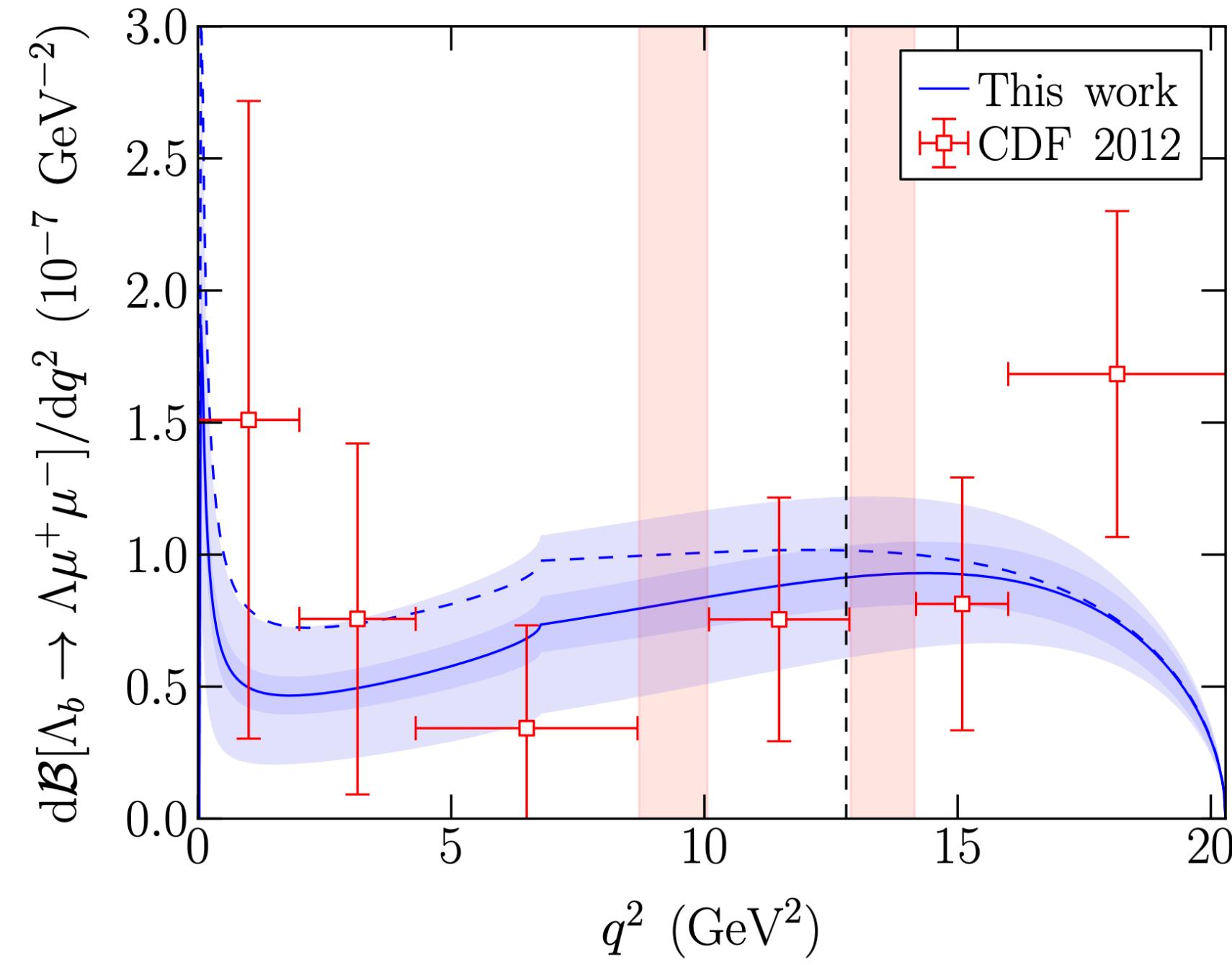
MC corrections - PID

- PID correction computed with PIDcorr package
 - Full transformation of the PID variables, retain correlation between variables



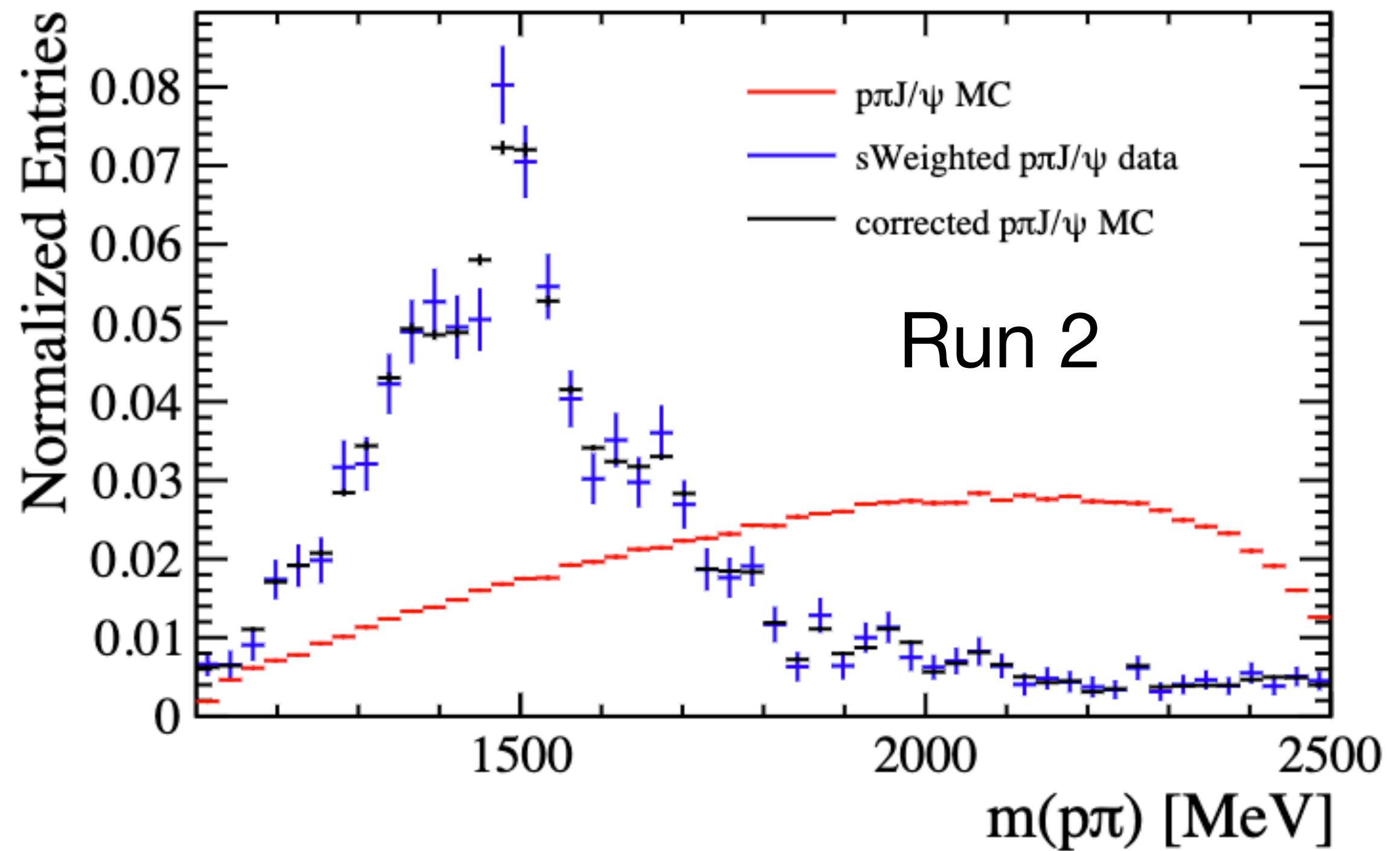
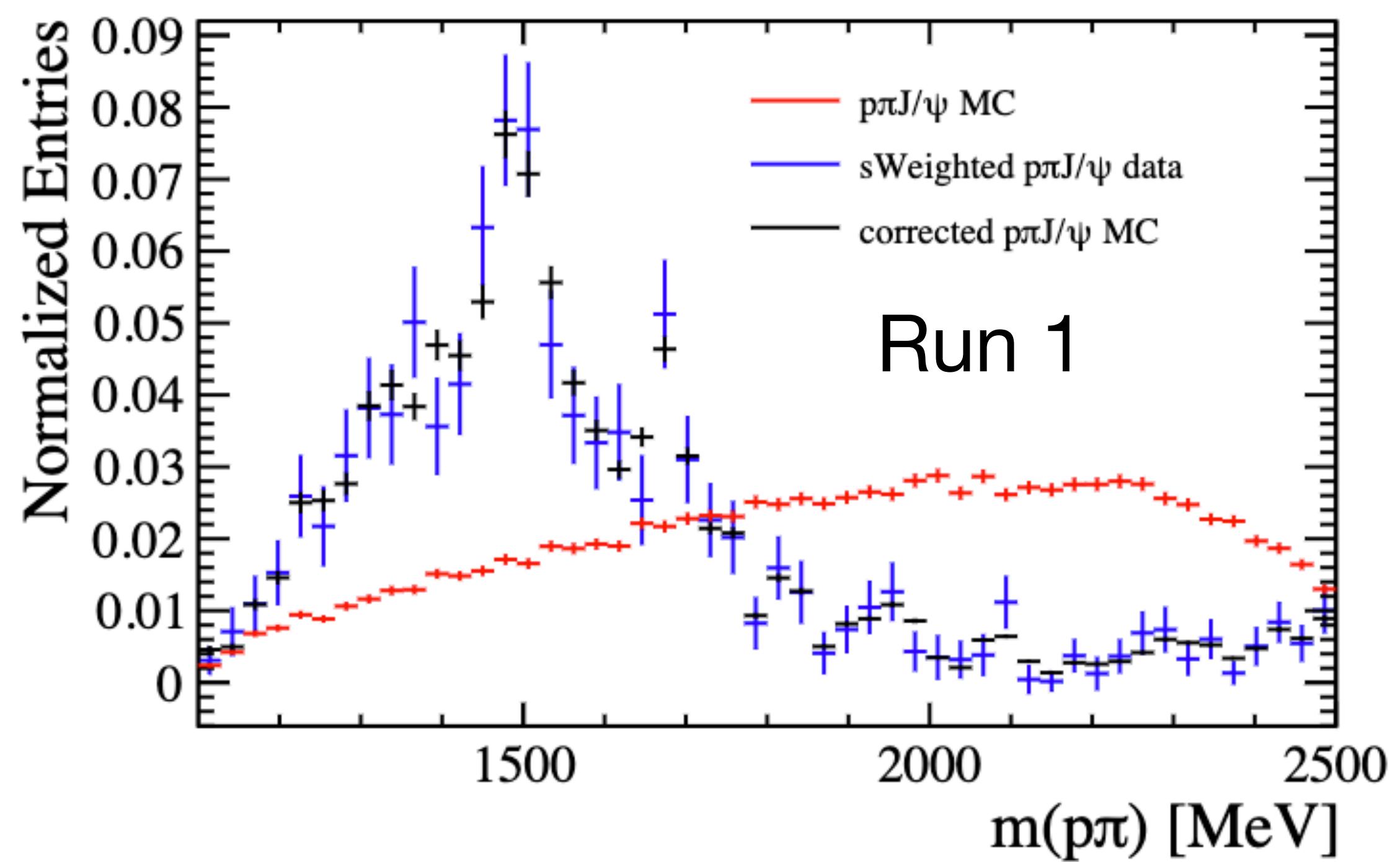
q^2 corrections

- Using the calculations from theoretical paper of branching fraction of $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^0 \mu\mu$



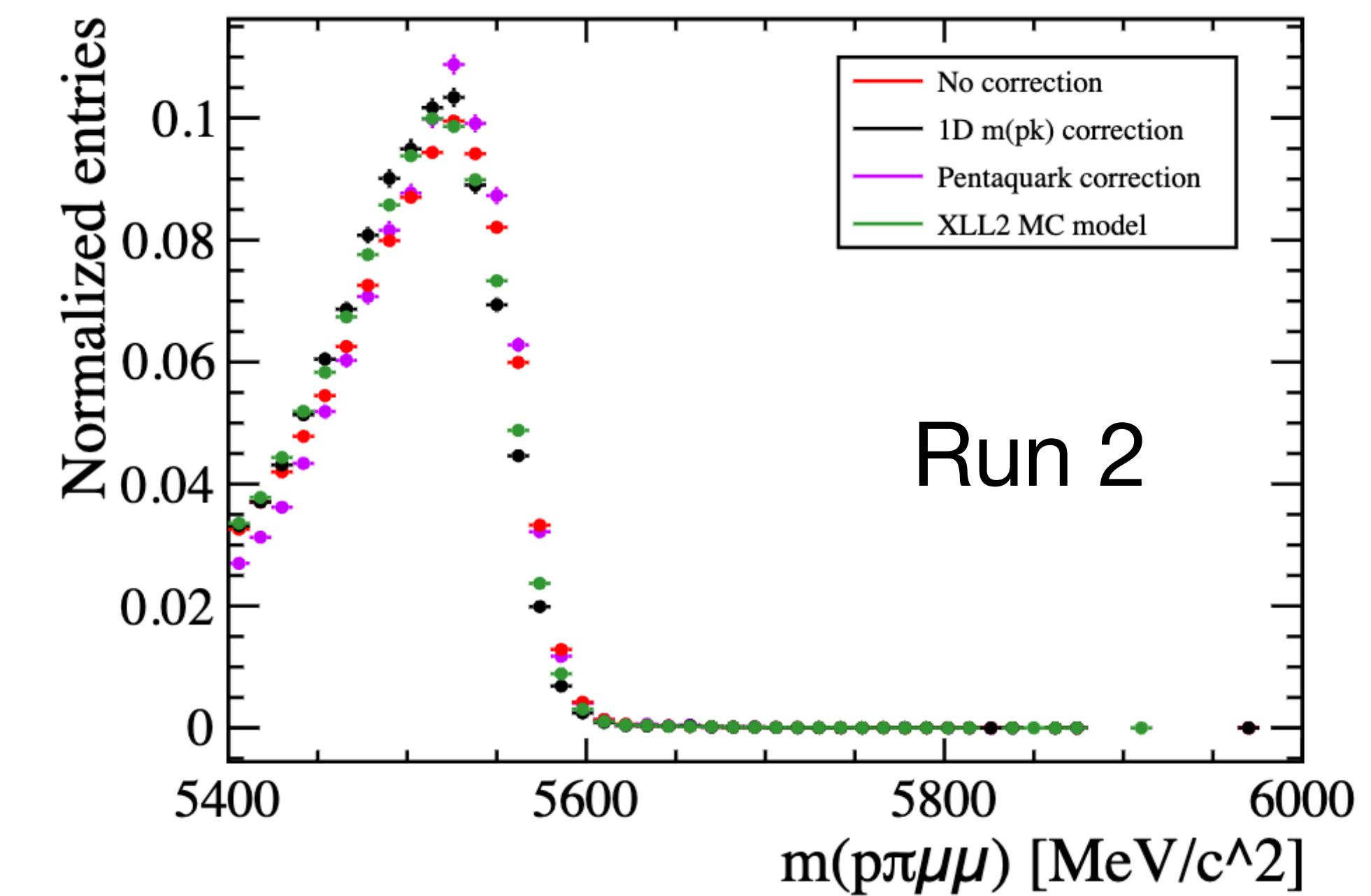
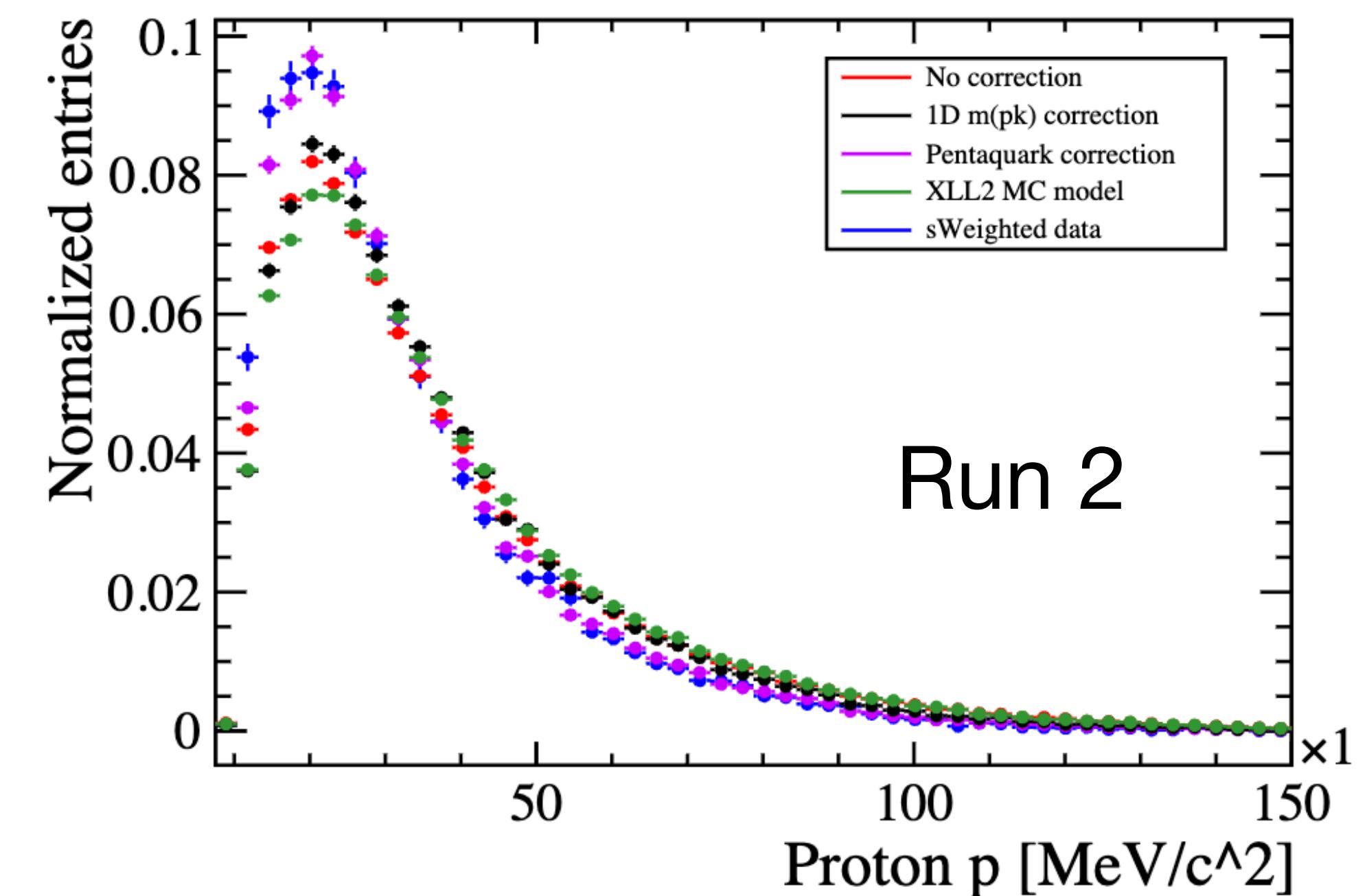
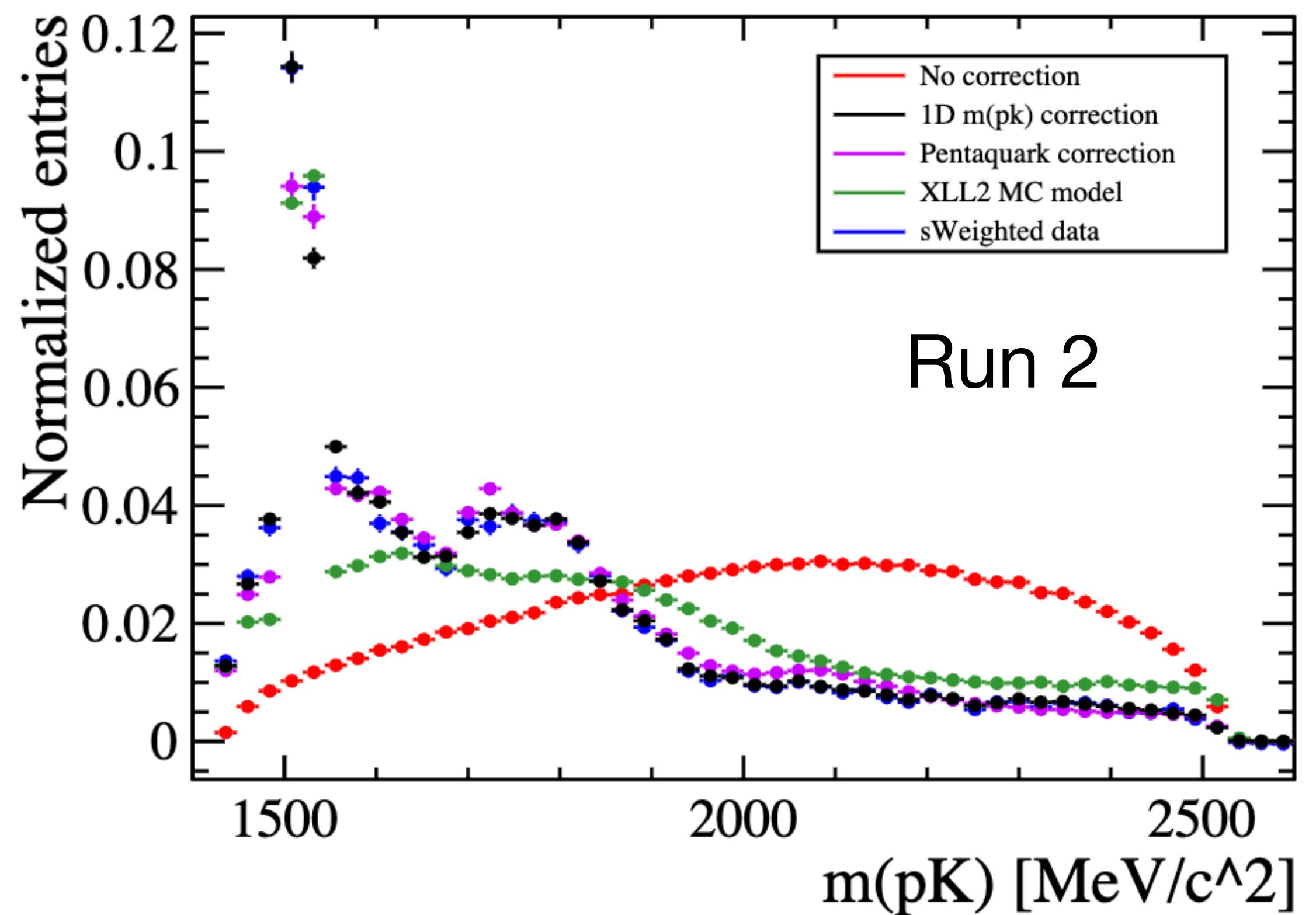
$m(p\pi)$ corrections

- SWeight $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi J/\psi$ data and perform a 1D correction



$m(pK)$

- Using pentaquark amplitude analysis
 $J/\psi \rightarrow pK J/\psi$



Backgrounds

- Combinatorial: BDT and Proton PID cut

- MisID:

- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK\mu\mu$
- $B^0 \rightarrow K^*(\rightarrow K\pi)\mu\mu$

- $B^0 \rightarrow K^*(\rightarrow K\pi)\mu\mu$ double misID, $B_s \rightarrow \phi(\rightarrow KK)\mu\mu$, $B_{(s)} \rightarrow \pi\pi\mu\mu$

- Clone tracks: cut on opening angle

- Semileptonic: e.g. $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c(\rightarrow p\pi\pi)\mu\nu$

- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda(\rightarrow p\pi)\mu\mu$ background

Contamination in mass range 5400-6000 MeV in 2016

Decay	Only preselection	Contamination with vetos
$B^0 \rightarrow K^*(\rightarrow K\pi)J/\psi$ single	36 %	20 %
$B^0 \rightarrow K^*(\rightarrow K\pi)J/\psi$ double	1.3%	0.6 %
$B_s \rightarrow KKJ/\psi$	1%	0.5%
$B_s \rightarrow \phi(\rightarrow KK)J/\psi$	0.8 %	0.04%
$B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \pi\pi J/\psi$	3.3%	2%

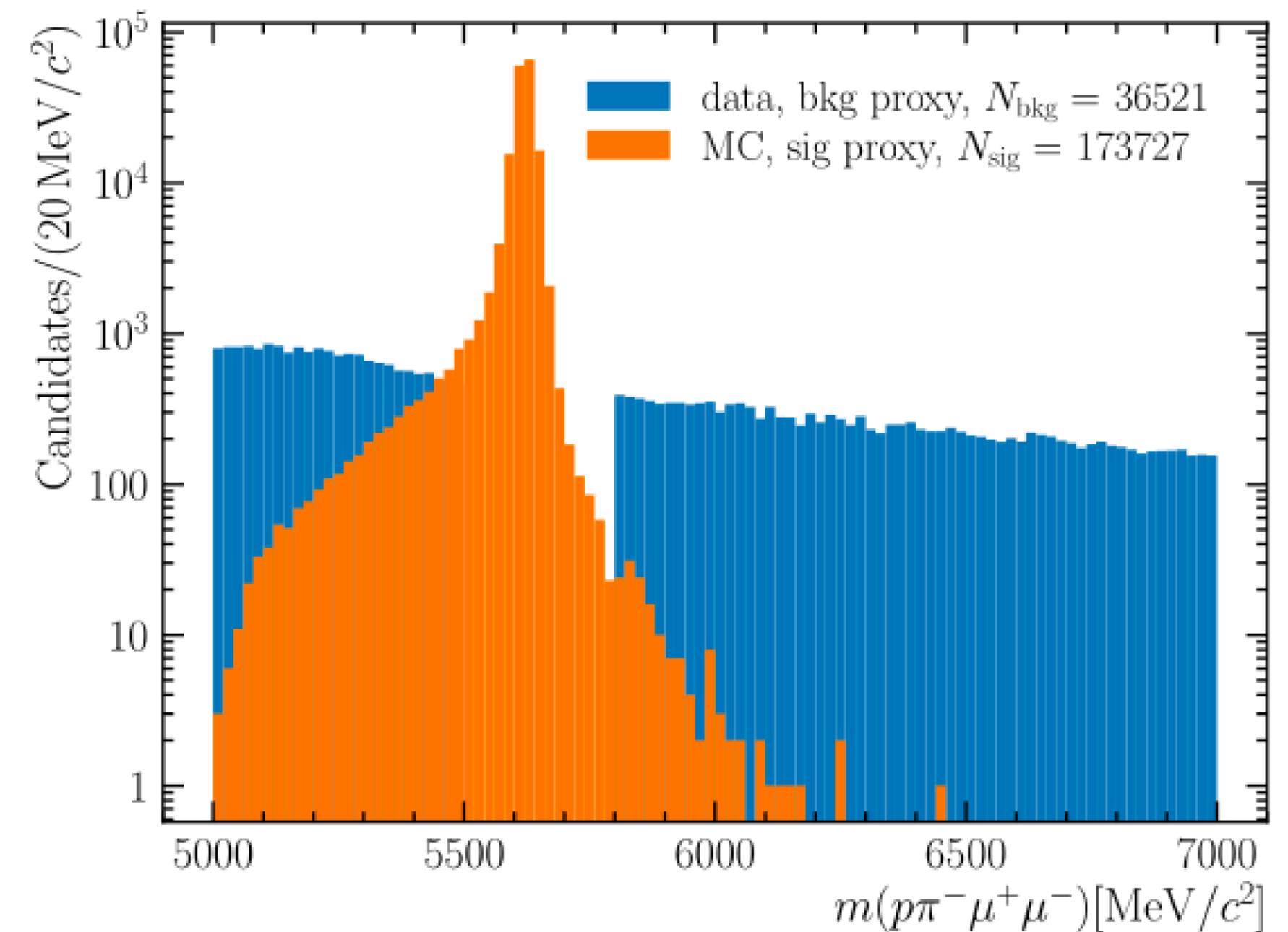
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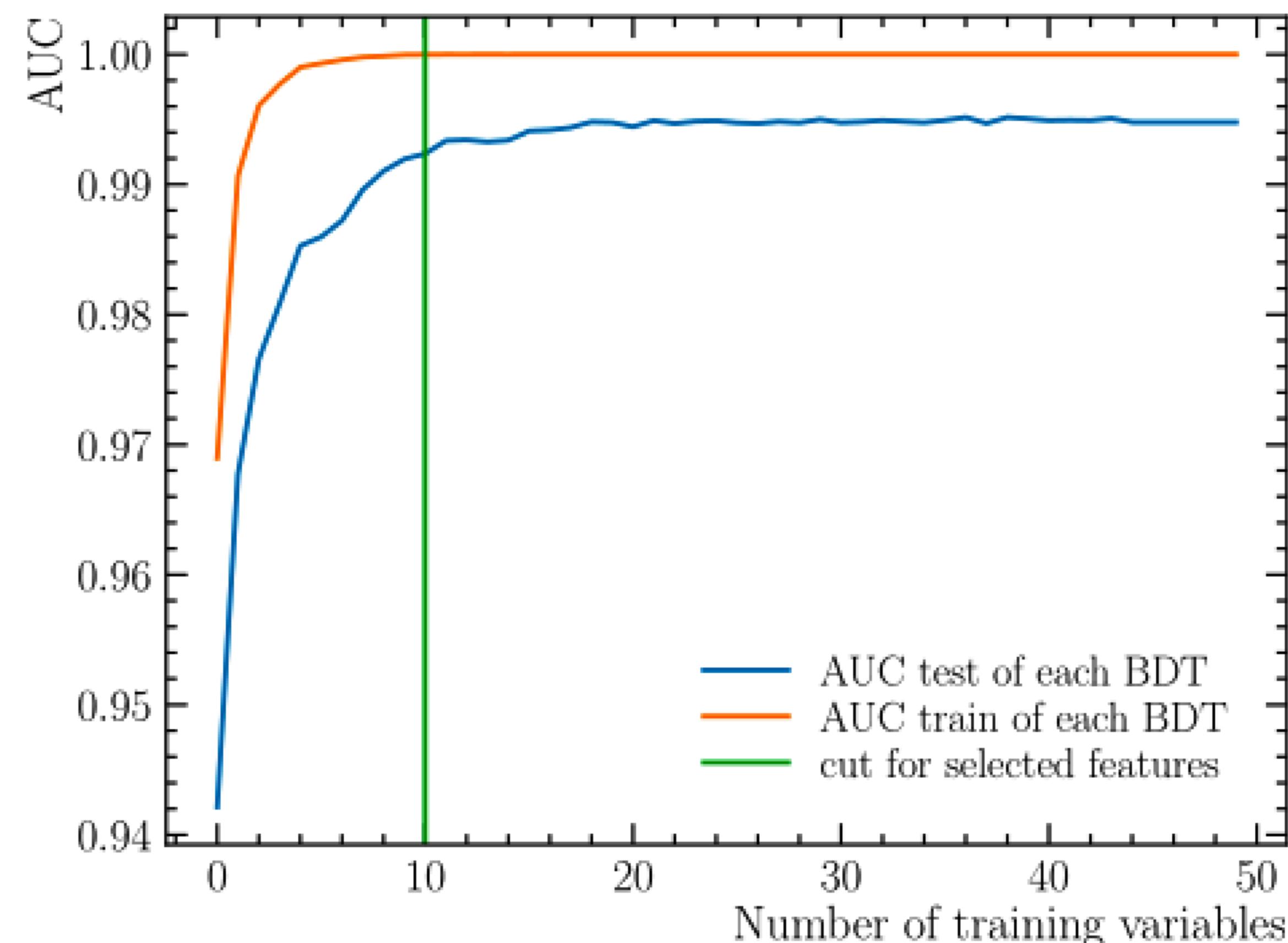
BDT

- xgboost library used to train the BDT
- Using truth-matched $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-$ as **signal** and upper mass sideband ($5.8 - 7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$) and lower mass sideband ($4.8 - 5.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$) as **background proxy**
- Undersampling the signal sample when input data is very unbalanced
- Training separately for Run1, Run2a (15+16) Run2b (17+18)



BDT

- Iterate BDT training over different number of training variables
- Start with a long list of training variables and remove variable with the lowest feature importance in each iteration
- Decide on number of training variables where AUC of the test samples drops below 99.5% of the starting value

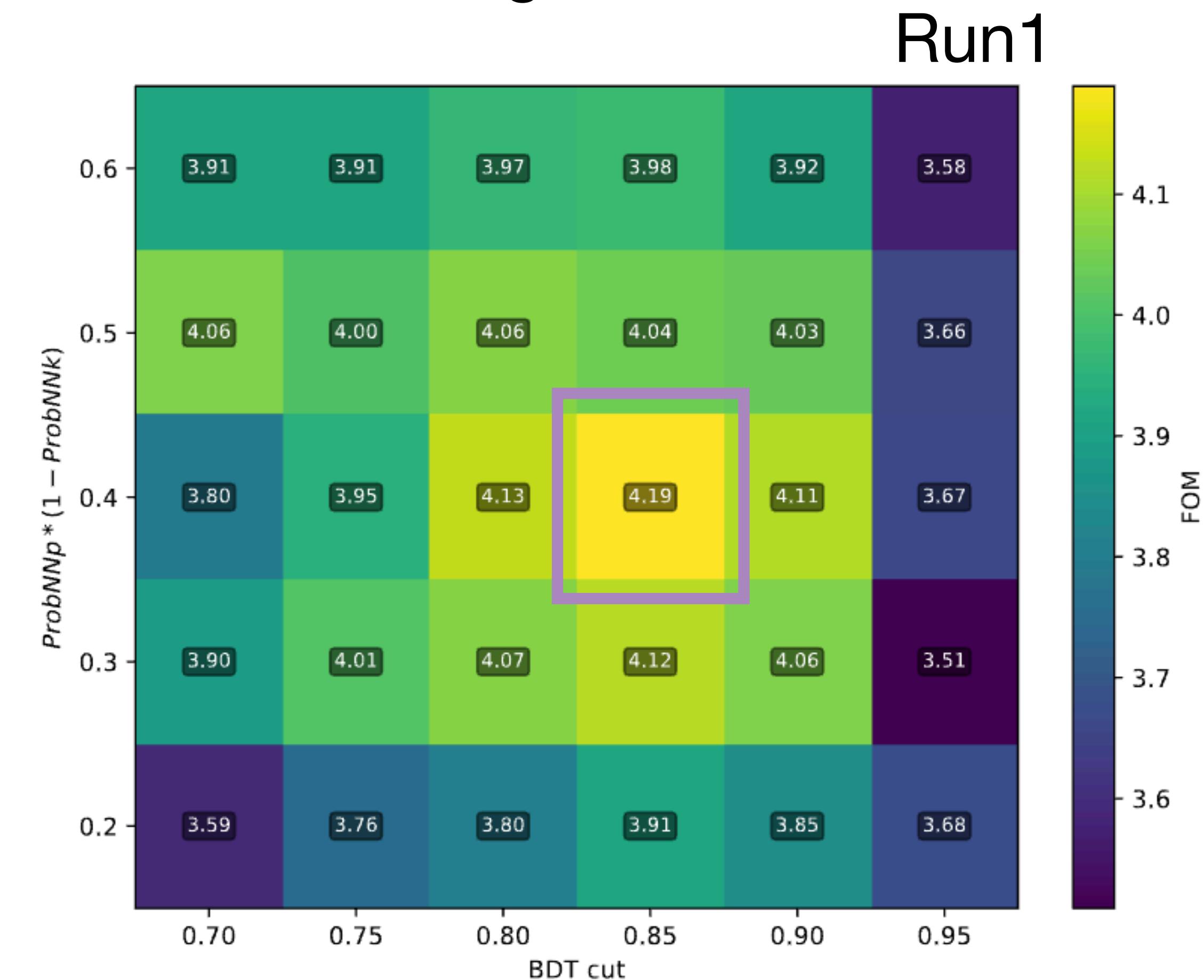


$$\chi^2_{\text{IP}}(\mu^+), \chi^2_{\text{IP}}(\mu^-), \vartheta_{\text{DIRA}}(\Lambda_b^0), \chi^2_{\text{vtx}}(\Lambda_b^0), \eta(\Lambda_b^0), \chi^2_{\text{FD}}(\Lambda_b^0), p_{\text{T}}(\Lambda_b^0), \chi^2_{\text{IP}}(\pi^-), \text{IP}(\pi^-), \chi^2_{\text{IP}}(p)$$

2D optimisation

- Cutting on the Proton PID also reduces combinatorial background
- 2D optimisation: BDT vs Proton PID
 - S: number of signal in the J/Ψ data scaled by efficiency ratios and branching fractions
 - B: fitting exponential background in rare mode in mass range $(5720, 6000) \text{ MeV}$ and integrating background under signal peak

$$FOM = \frac{S}{\sqrt{S + B}}$$



Backgrounds

- Combinatorial: BDT and Proton PID cut
- MisID:

- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p K \mu\mu$
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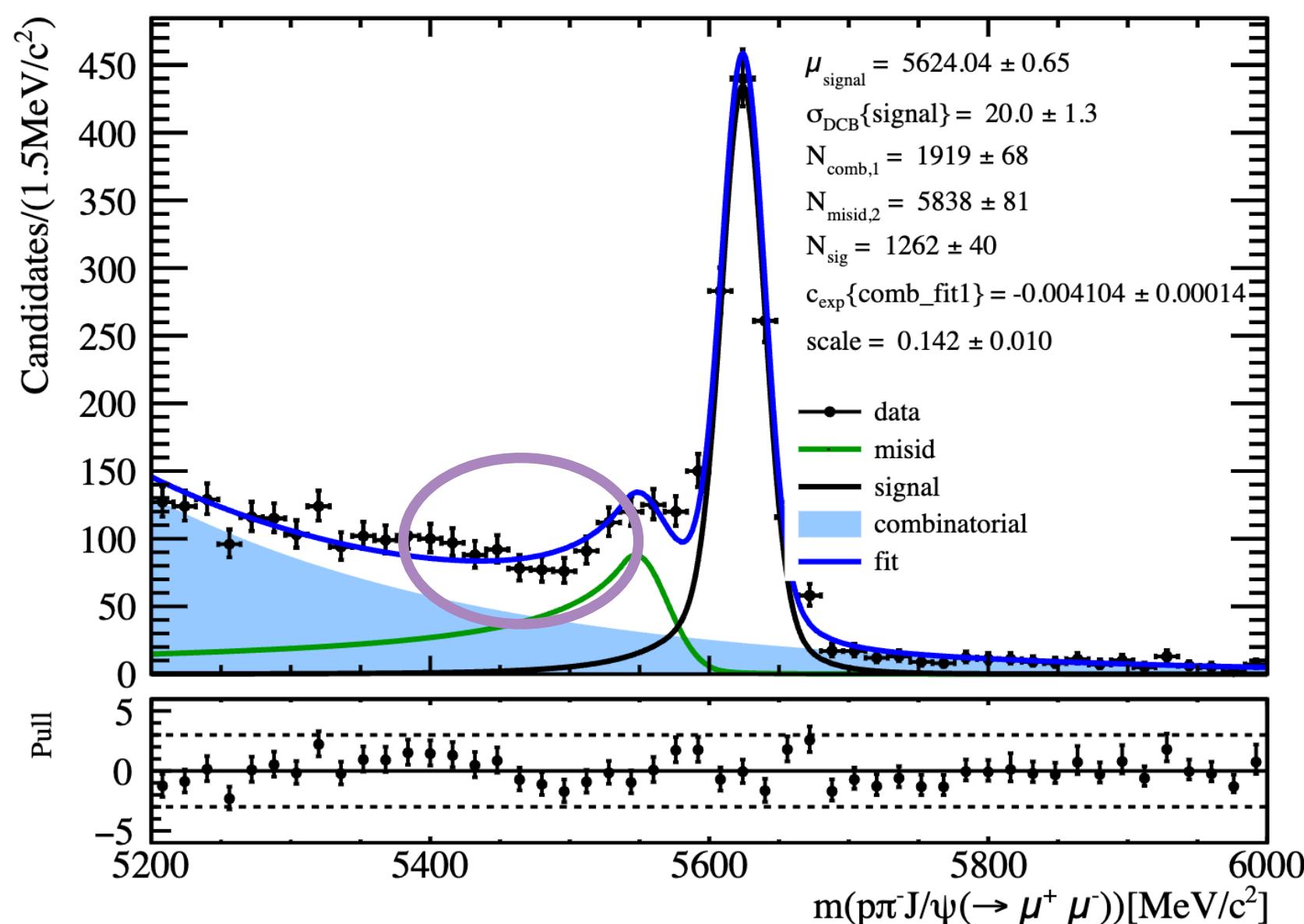


Main background components

- $B^0 \rightarrow K^*(\rightarrow K\pi) \mu\mu$ double misID, $B_s \rightarrow \phi(\rightarrow KK) \mu\mu$, $B_{(s)} \rightarrow \pi\pi\mu\mu$

B^0 background

- Highest contamination background: $(36 \pm 7)\%$ in Run 2 and $(33 \pm 6)\%$ in Run 1
- Tested tight B^0 veto: `abs(Lb_M0123_Subst2_p2K - 5280) > X | (Proton_ProbNNp>Proton_ProbNNk + Y)`



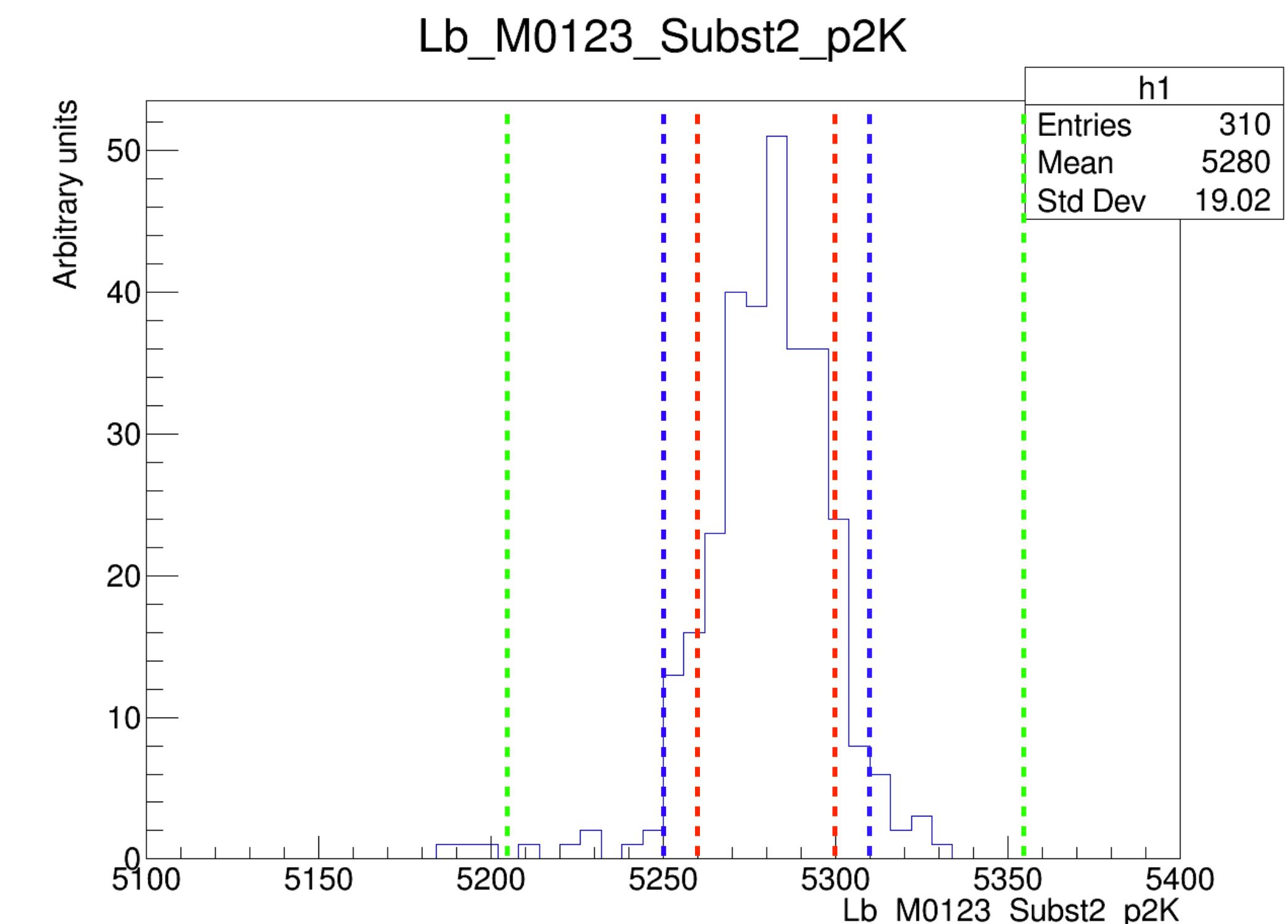
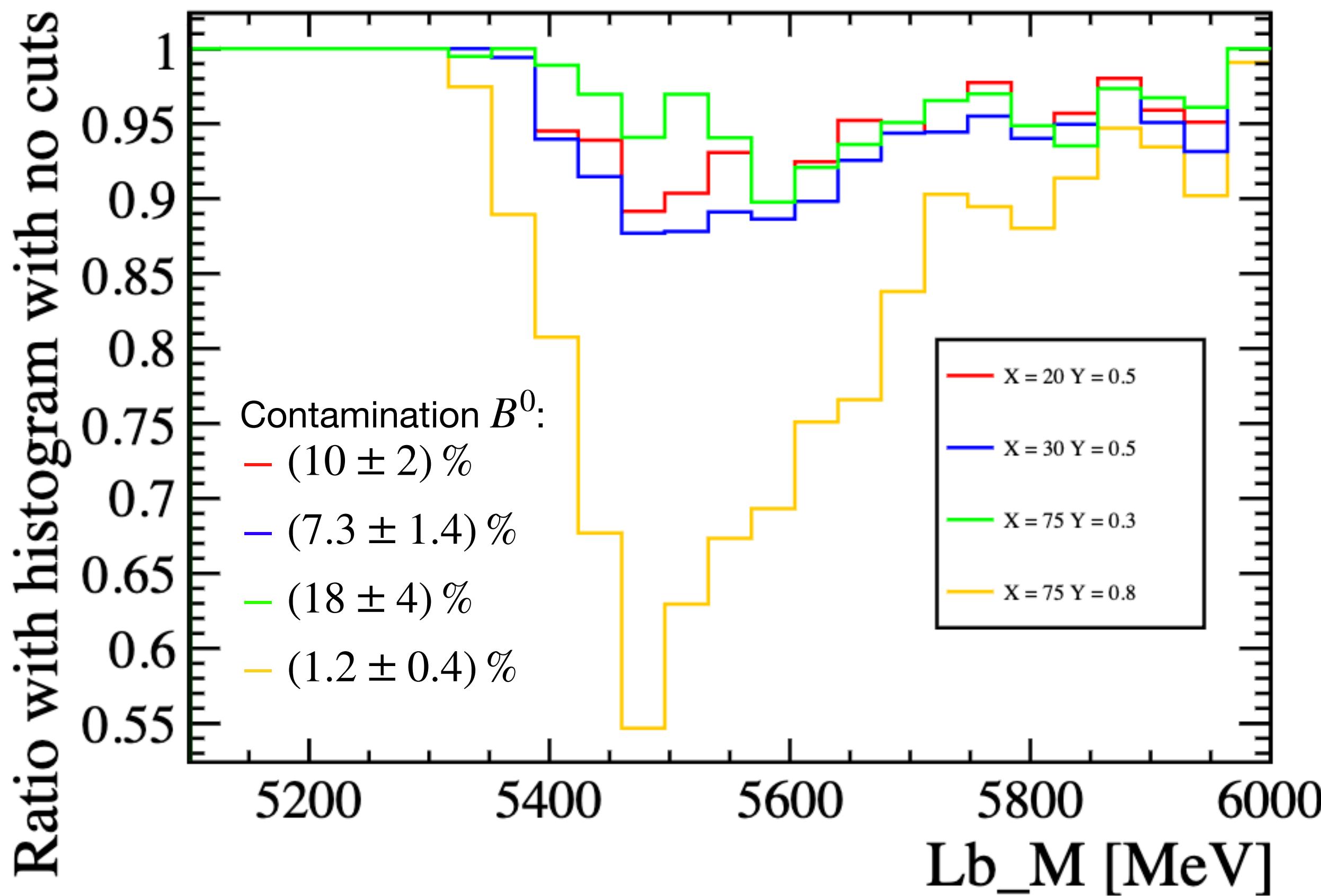
Tight B^0 veto: $X = 75, Y = 0.8$

Contamination: $(1.2 \pm 0.4)\%$ in full mass range in Run 1

→ Leads to **sculpting** of combinatorial background

B^0 background

- Looked at the sculpting in data events with BDT cut $bdt < 0.5$



$X = 20, Y = 0.5$ chosen

Simultaneous fit

- Idea: Fit $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-$ and $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-\mu^+\mu^-$ simultaneously sharing the $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-\mu^+\mu^-$ yield to control the $K \rightarrow \pi$ misID in $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-$

$$N_{PID>X}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-(\rightarrow \pi^-)\mu^+\mu^-) = N_{PID<X}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-\mu^+\mu^-) \frac{\varepsilon(K^- \rightarrow \pi^-)}{\varepsilon(K^- \rightarrow K^-)}$$

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$$\frac{\epsilon(K^- \rightarrow \pi^-)}{\epsilon(K^- \rightarrow K^-)} = \frac{N_{PID>X}^{MC}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-(\rightarrow \pi^-)J/\psi)}{N_{PID<X}^{MC}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-J/\psi)}$$

yield of the pKJ/ψ MC with $p\pi$ PID selection
 $\text{ProbNNpi}^*(1-\text{ProbNNk}) > 0.4$

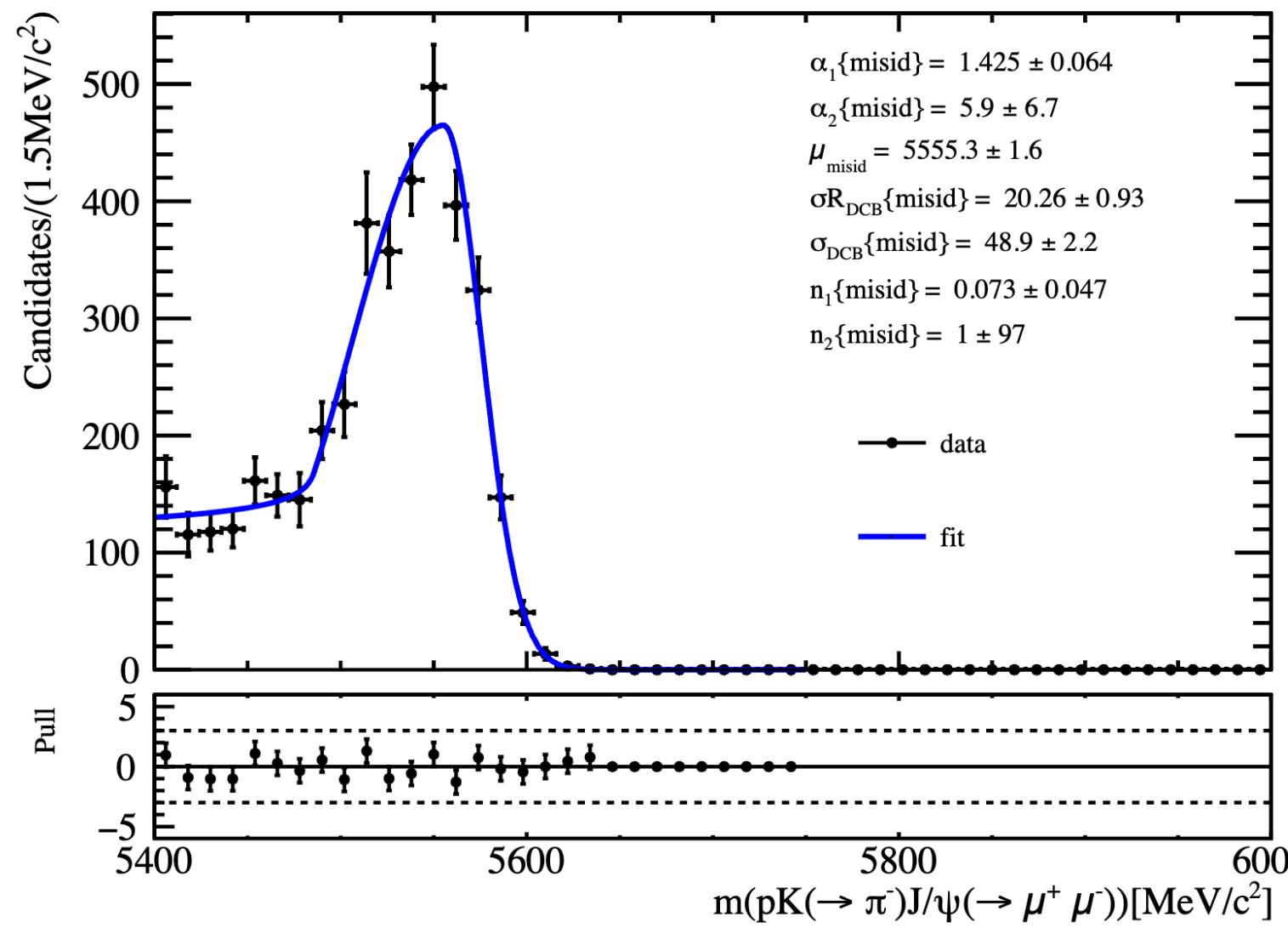
yield of the pKJ/ψ MC with pK PID selection
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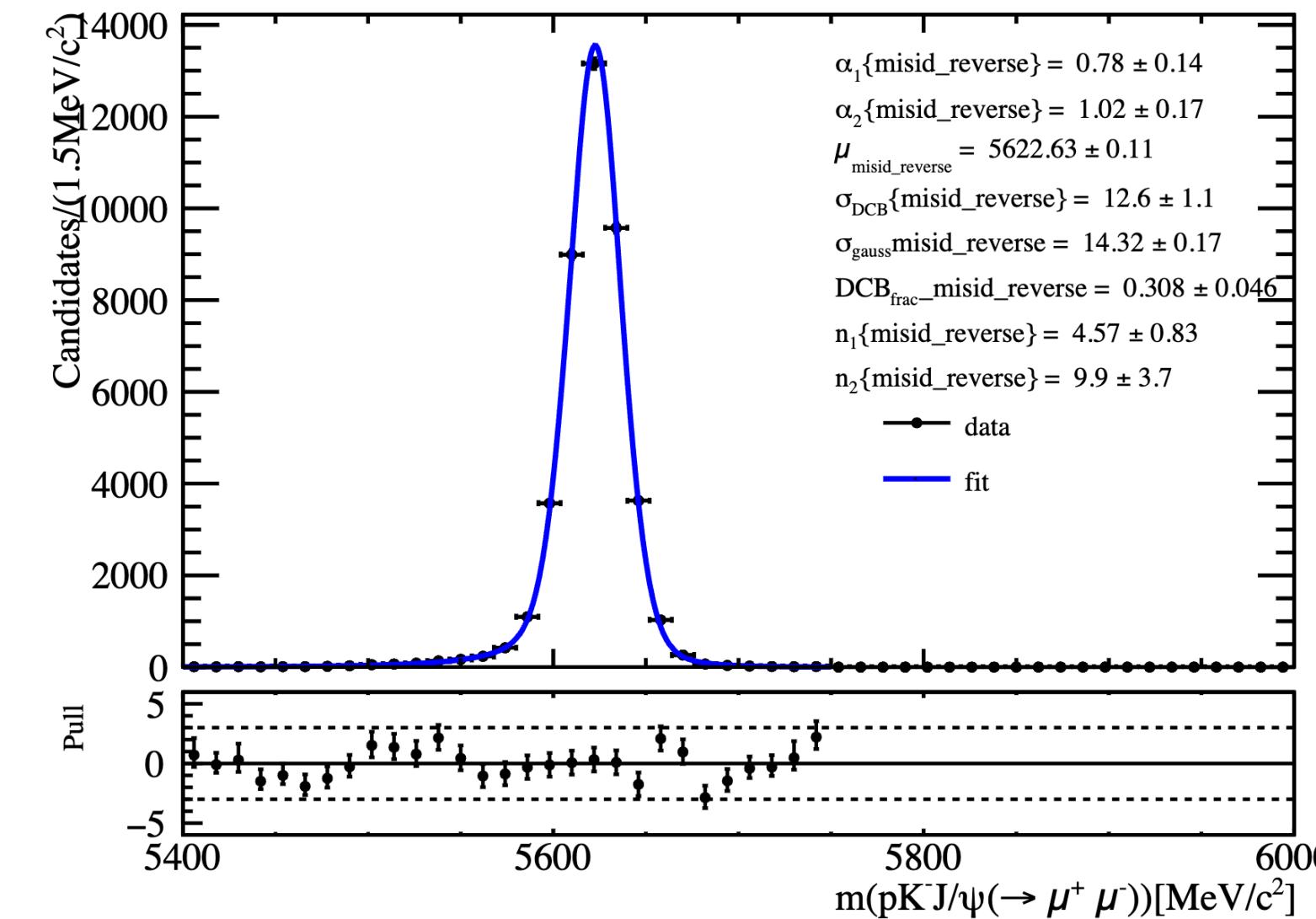
- Fits on MC are performed to extract shape parameters (α, n) that are fixed in the simultaneous fit on data

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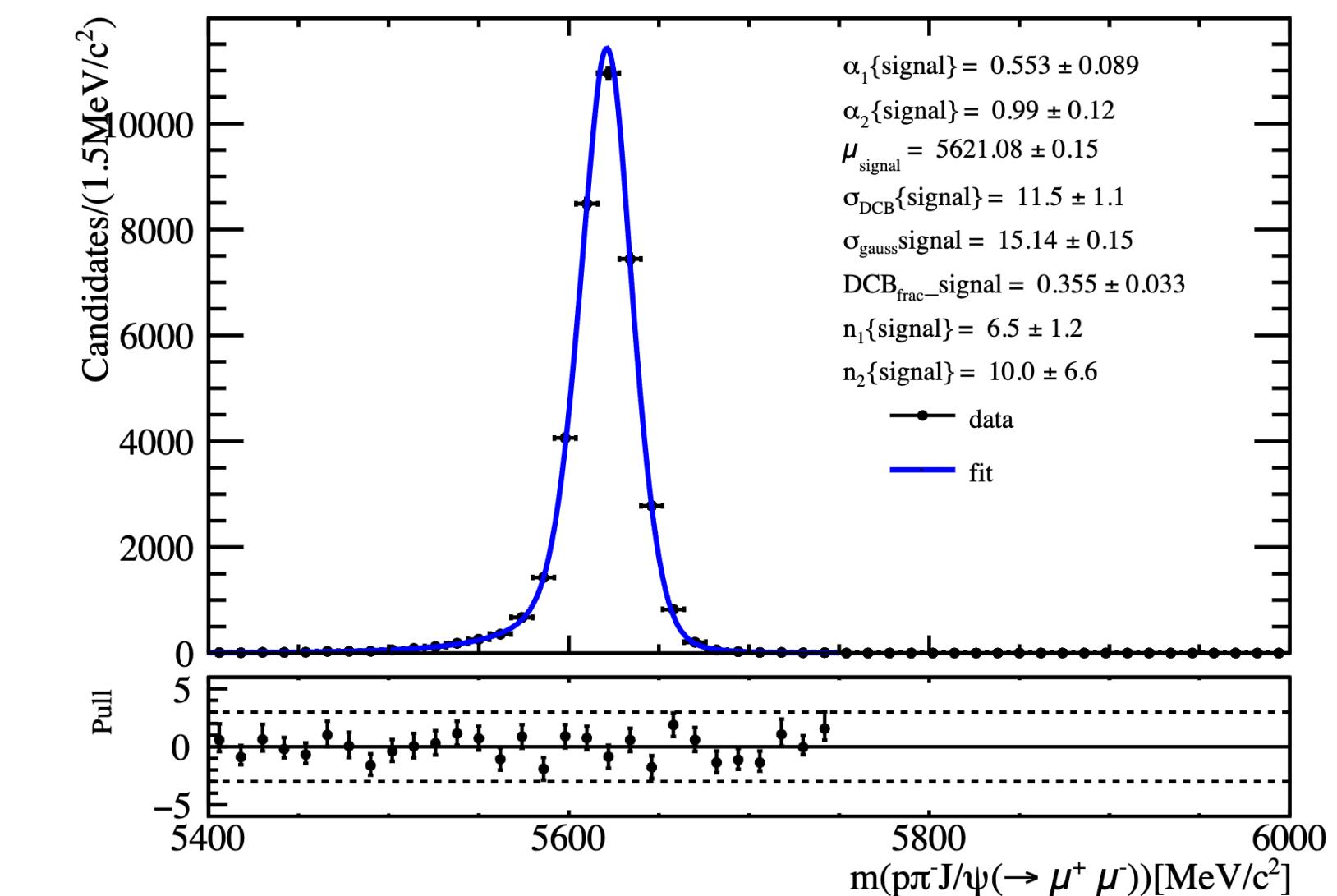
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-J/\psi$ MC as $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^-J/\psi$



$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-J/\psi$



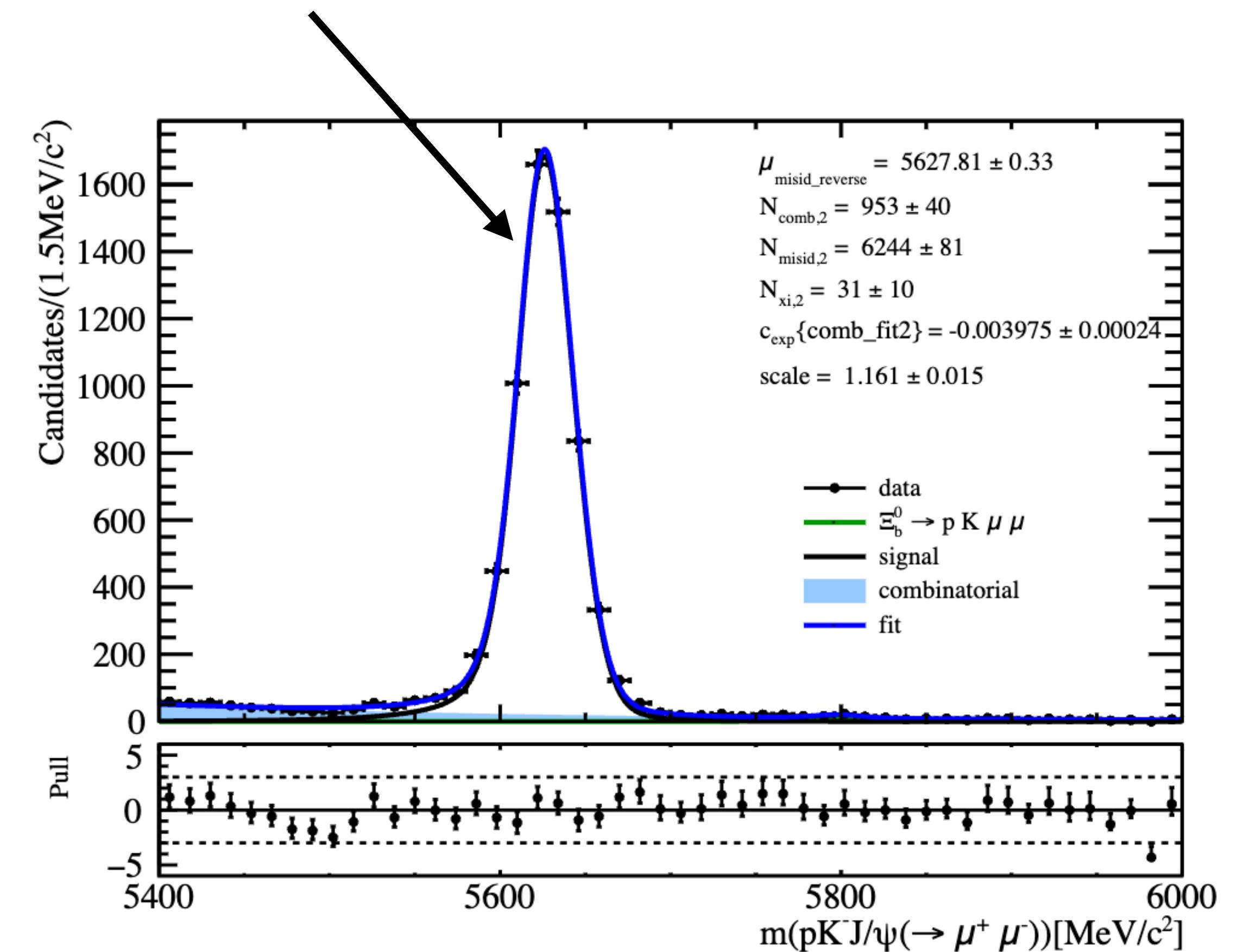
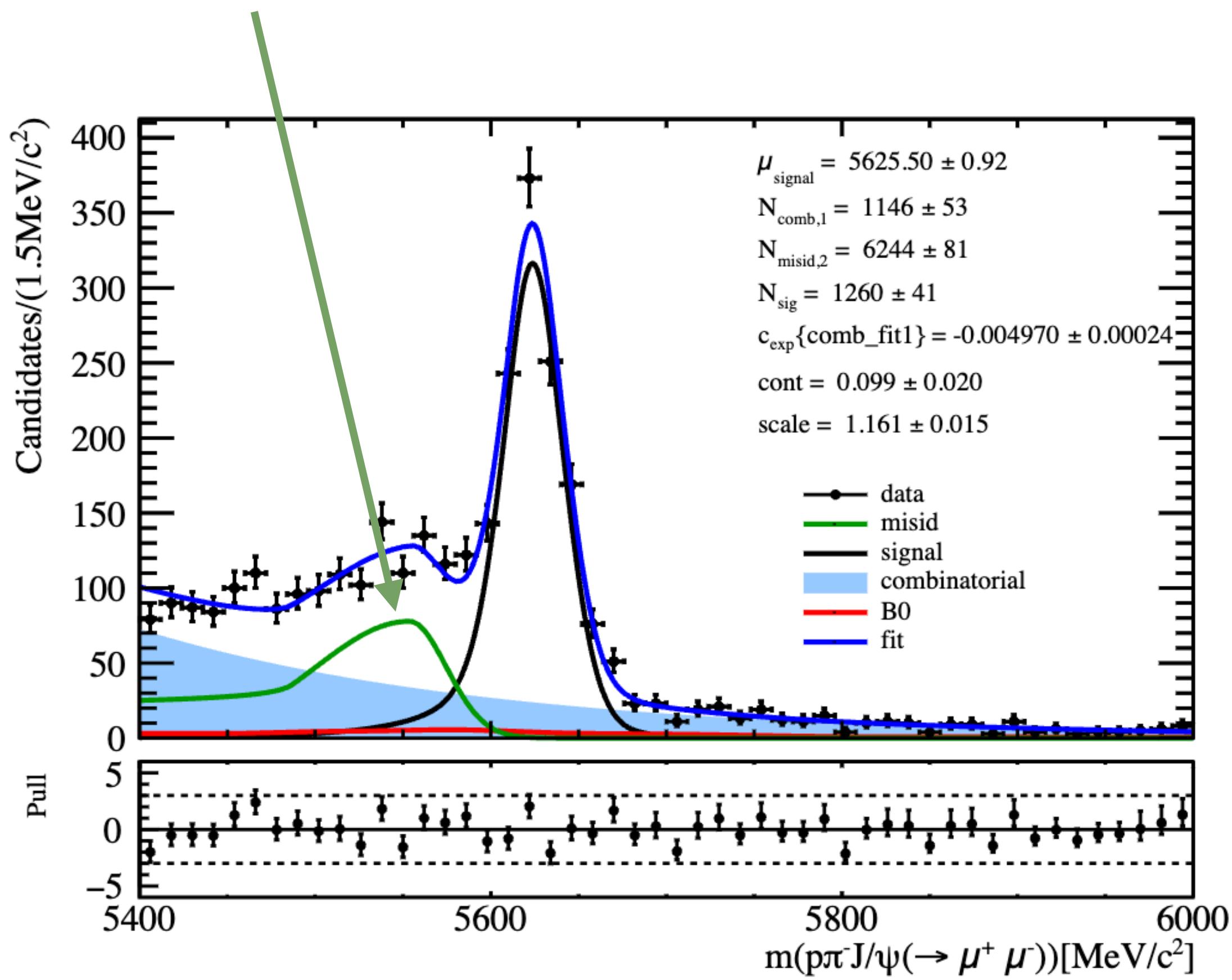
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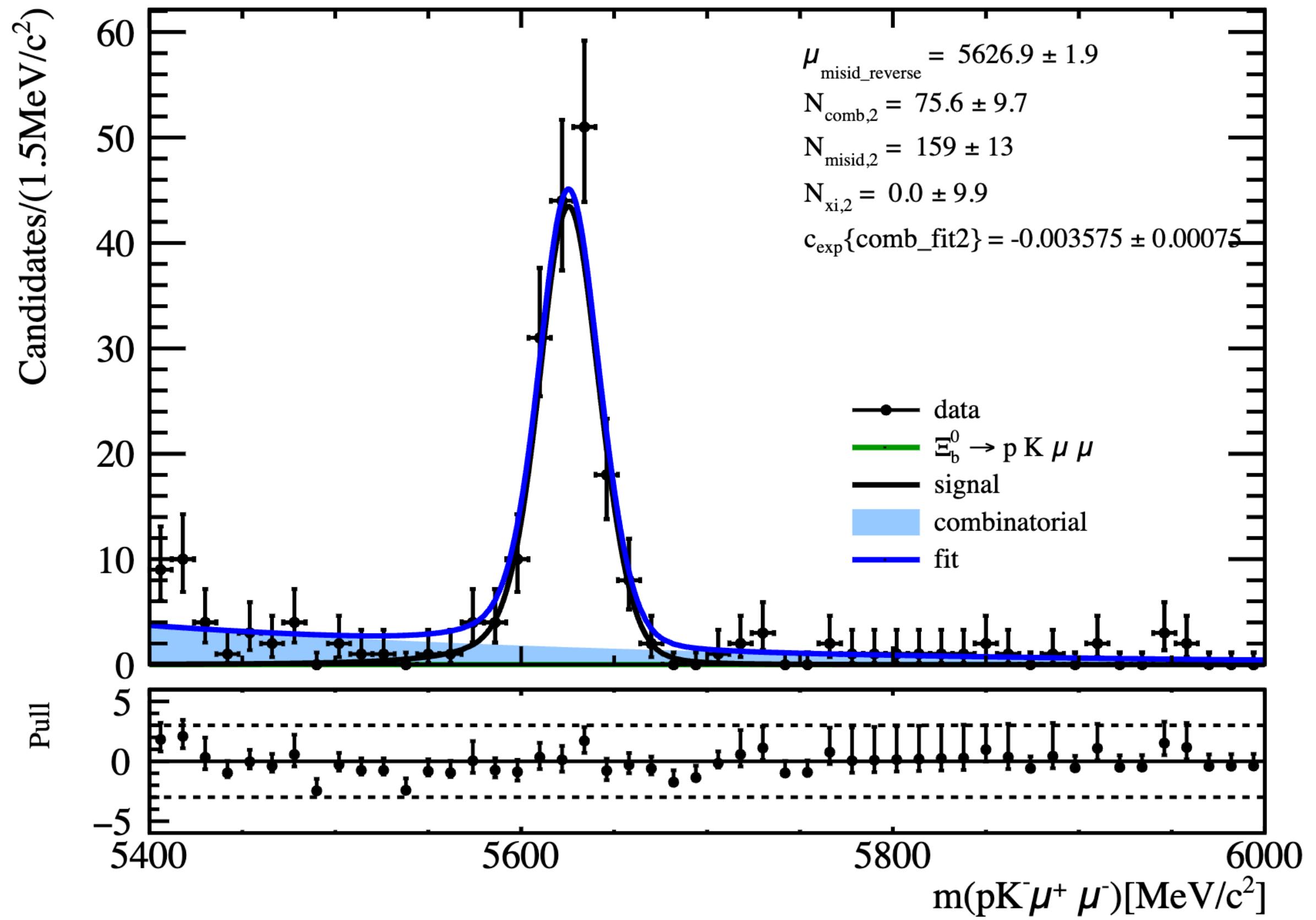
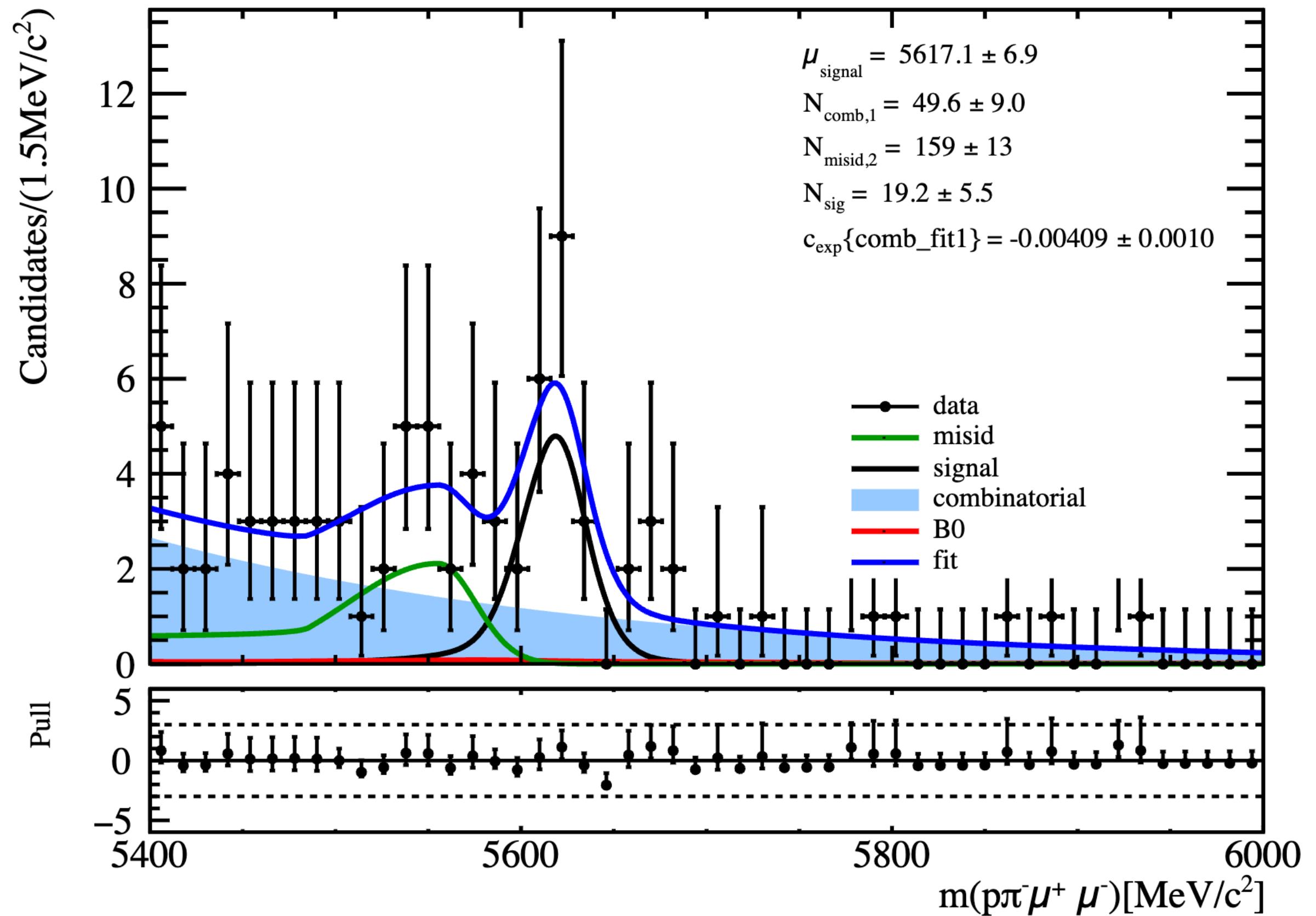
Simultaneous fit

$$N_{PID>X}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- (\rightarrow \pi^-) \mu^+ \mu^-)$$

$$= N_{PID<X}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K^- \mu^+ \mu^-) \frac{\varepsilon(K^- \rightarrow \pi^-)}{\varepsilon(K^- \rightarrow K^-)}$$

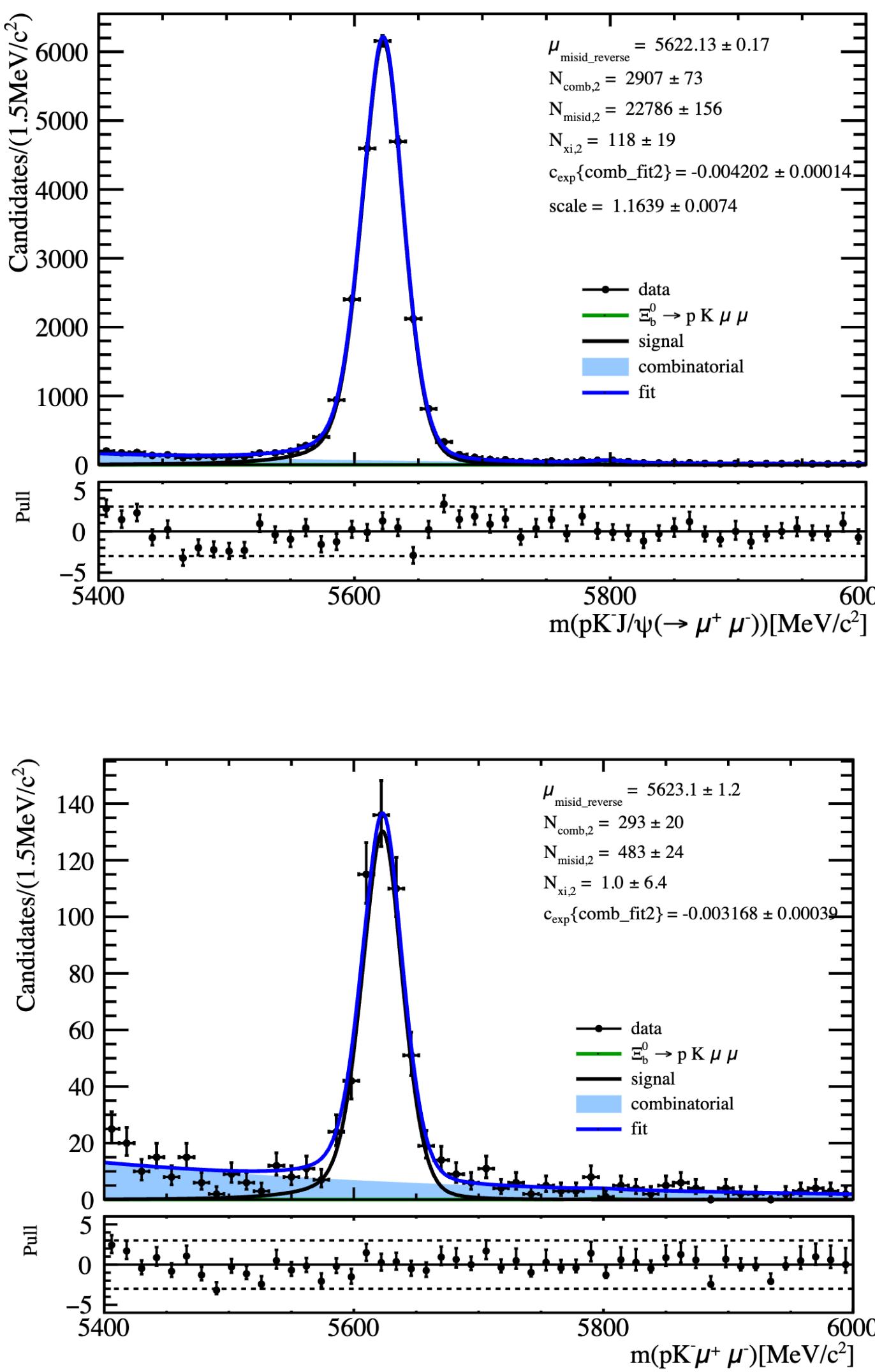
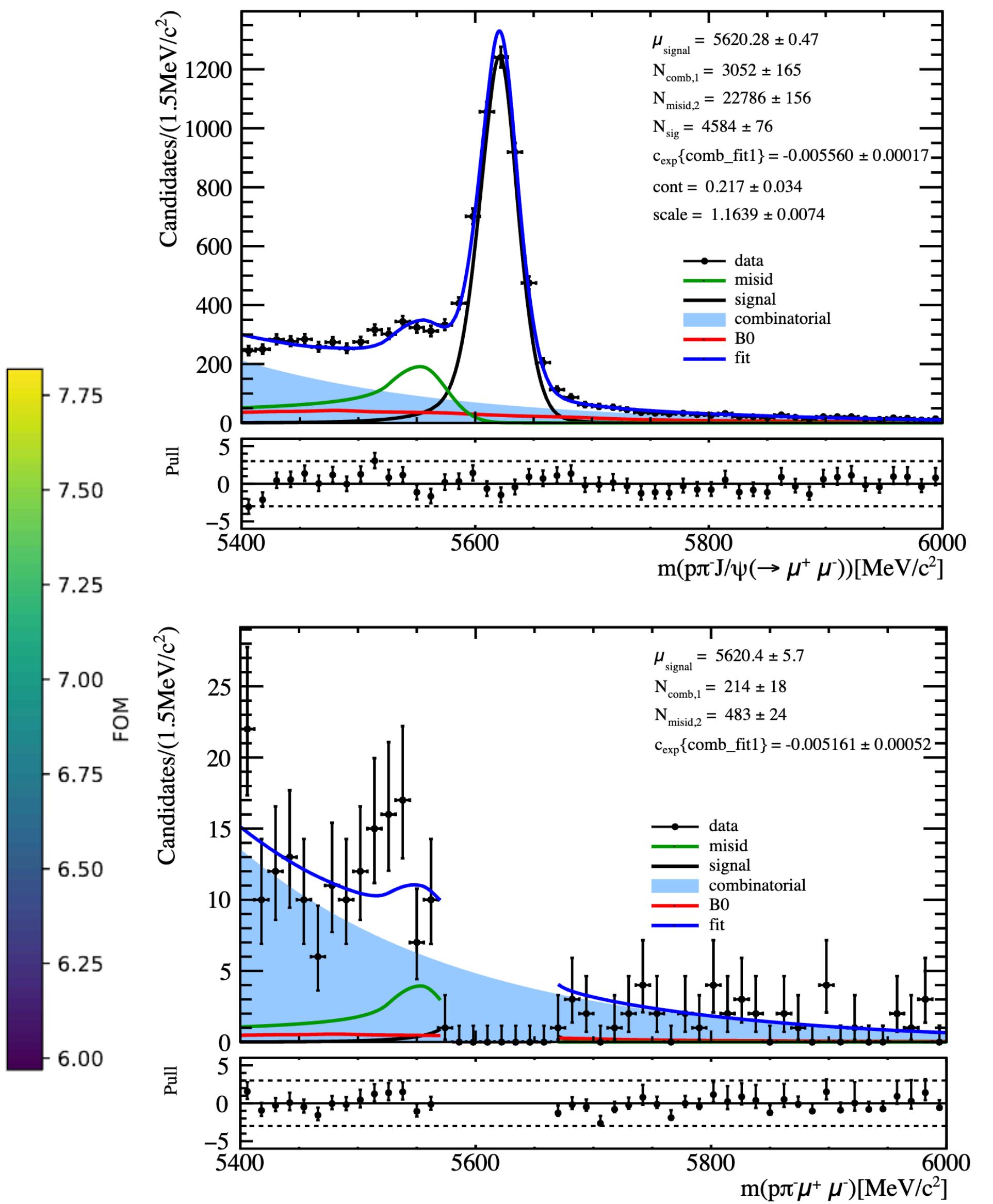
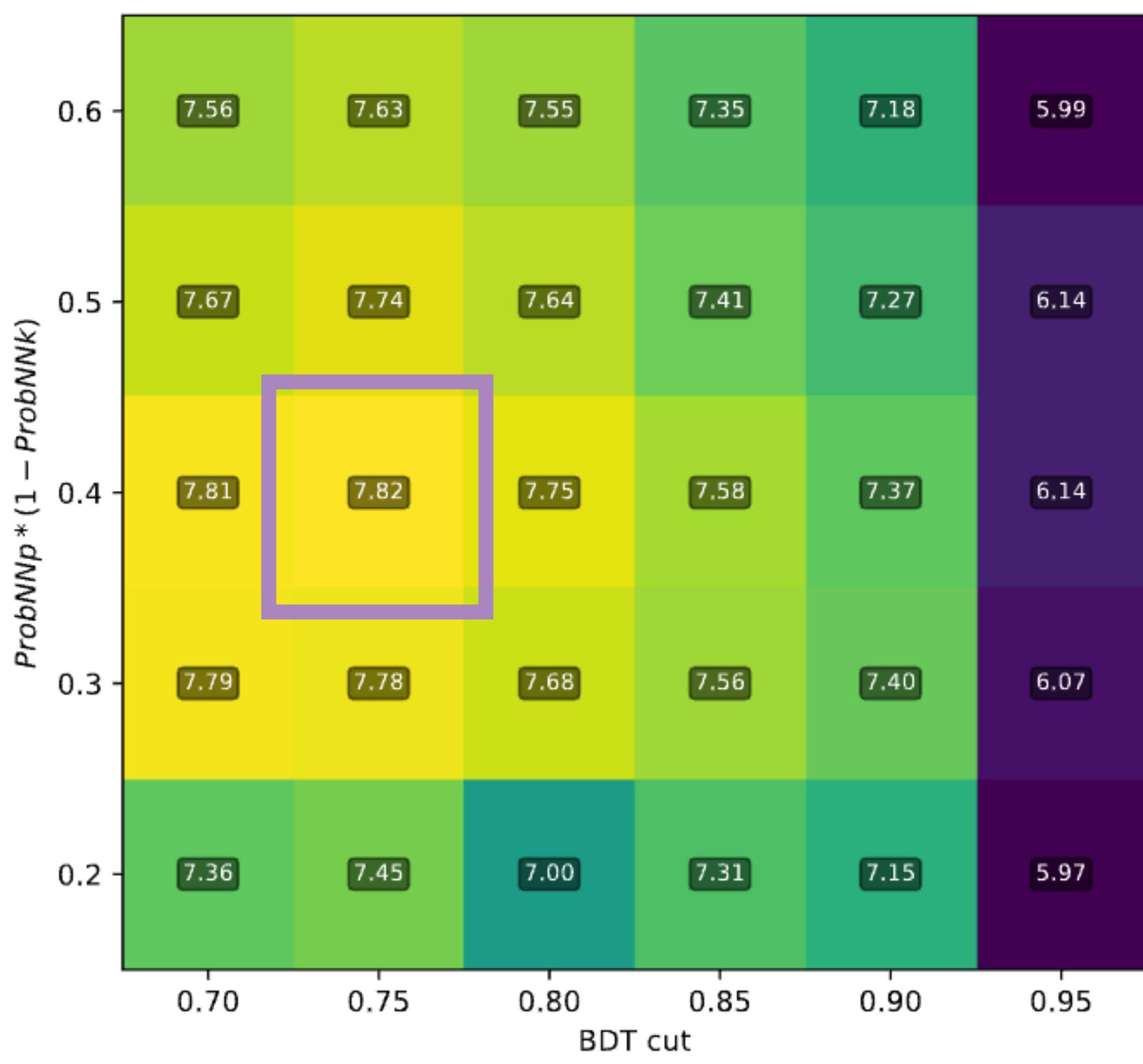


Results run1 rare



Expected number of events: 21 ± 9

Results run2



Expected number of events: 71 ± 30

Conclusion

$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi\mu\mu)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\pi J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu)}$	
Run1 analysis	$0.044 \pm 0.012 \pm 0.007$
Run1	$0.041 \pm 0.012 \pm \text{XXX}$
Run2*	$0.045 \pm 0.005 \pm \text{XXX}$

- Run 2 blinded
- Run toys for the integrated BF measurement
- Start thinking about systematic uncertainties (mass window, fit choice etc..)

Task	Run 1	Run 2
Tuples	✓	✓
Background studies	✓	✓
MVA	✓	✓
Fits & yields	↻	↻
Simulation corrections	✓	✓
Efficiencies	✓	✓
Toys		
Systematics		

*Used expected number of events for Run2 computation with statistical error $\sqrt{N_{\text{expected}}}$

Thank you for your attention

Trigger cuts

B2XMuMu stripping line for
 $B \rightarrow K^*(\rightarrow K^+ \pi^-) \mu^+ \mu^-$,
w/o PID requirements on K^+

Trigger	RunI	RunII
L0	LOMuonDecision_TOS TrackAllL0	LOMuonDecision_TOS
HLT1	TrackMuonDecision	TrackMVA
HLT2	Topo(2,3,4)BodyBBDTDecision TopoMu(2,3,4)BodyBBDTDecision	Topo(2,3,4)BodyDecision TopoMu(2,3,4)BodyDecision

Variable	Stripping value
$B_{(s)}^0 \chi_{vtx}^2/\text{ndf}$	< 8
$B_{(s)}^0 \chi_{IP}^2$	< 16
$B_{(s)}^0 \text{DIRA}$	> 0.9999
$B_{(s)}^0 \chi_{FD}^2$	> 121
$m_{B_{(s)}^0}$	$4900 \text{ MeV} < m_{B_{(s)}^0} < 7000 \text{ MeV}$
m_N	$0 \text{ MeV} < m_N < 6200 \text{ MeV}$
$N \chi_{FD}^2$	> 9
$N \chi_{vtx}^2/\text{ndf}$	< 12
$m_{\mu^+ \mu^-}$	< 7100 MeV
$\mu^+ \mu^- \chi_{vtx}^2/\text{ndf}$	< 12
$\mu^+, \mu^- DLL_{\mu\pi}$	> -3*
$\mu^+, \mu^- \text{isMUON}$	true*
tracks min χ_{IP}^2	> 9
tracks ghost Prob	< 0.4

Selections

Run 1 selection

- Very tight PID cuts
 - Proton PID
 - all misID

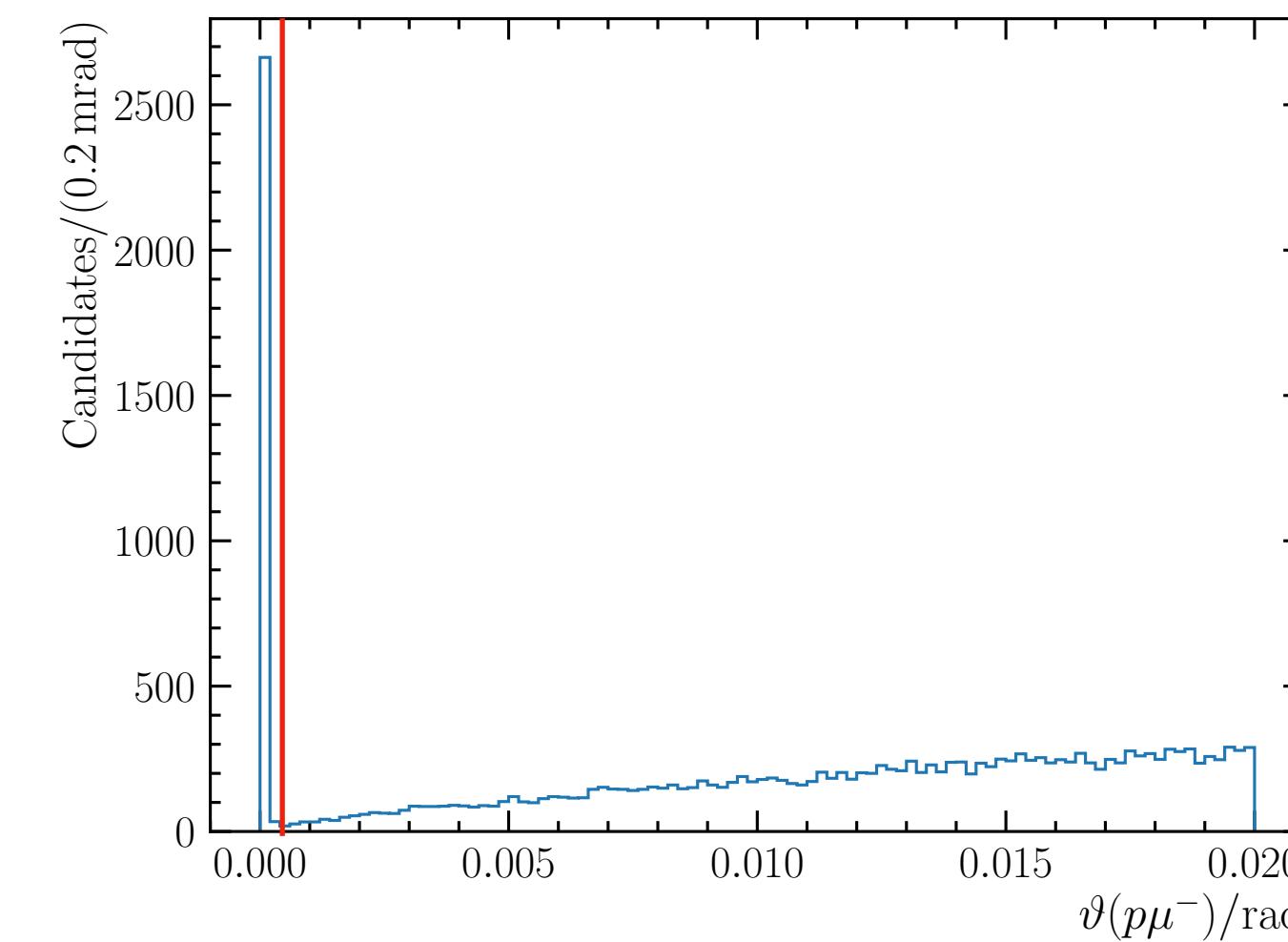
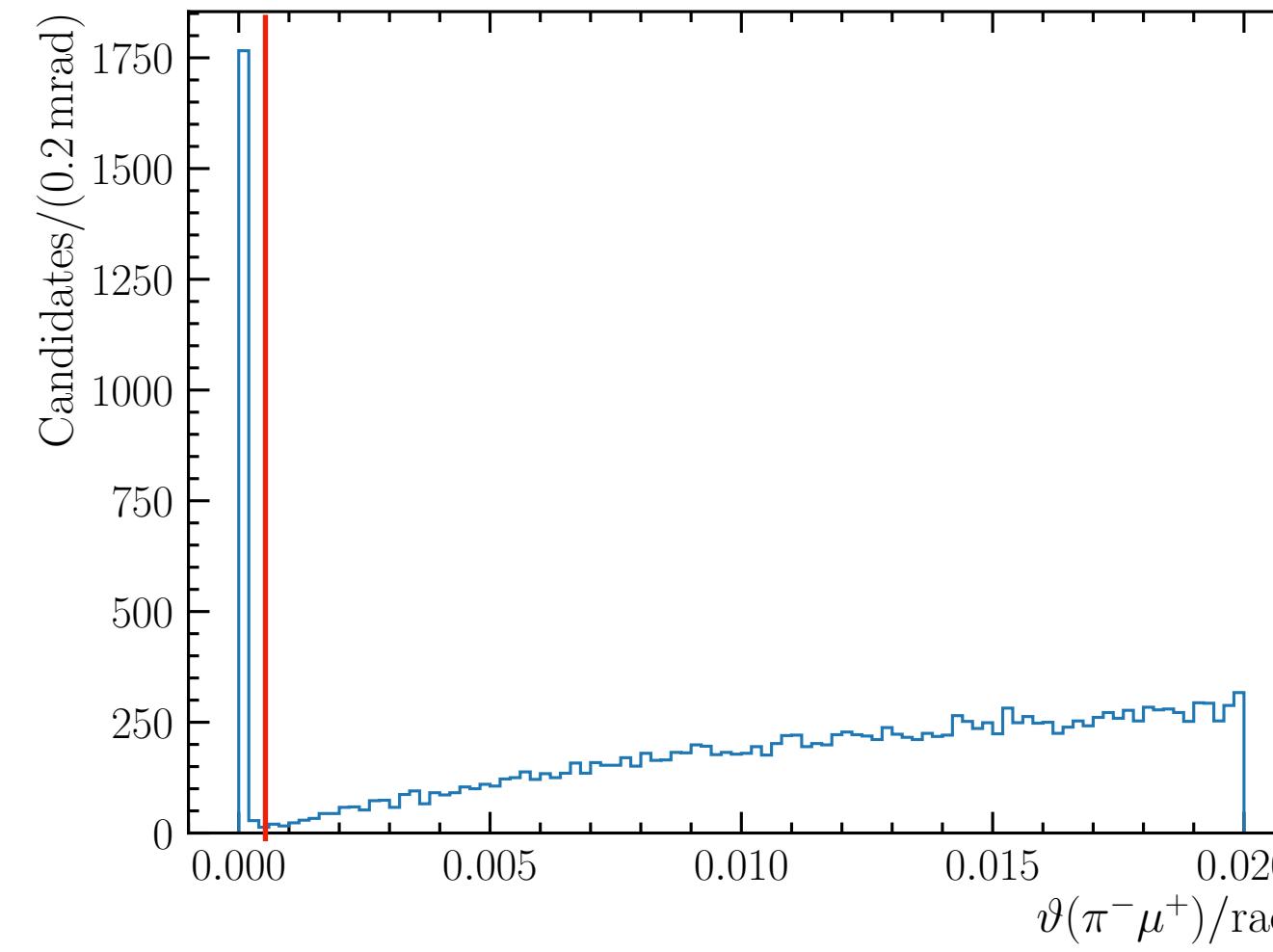
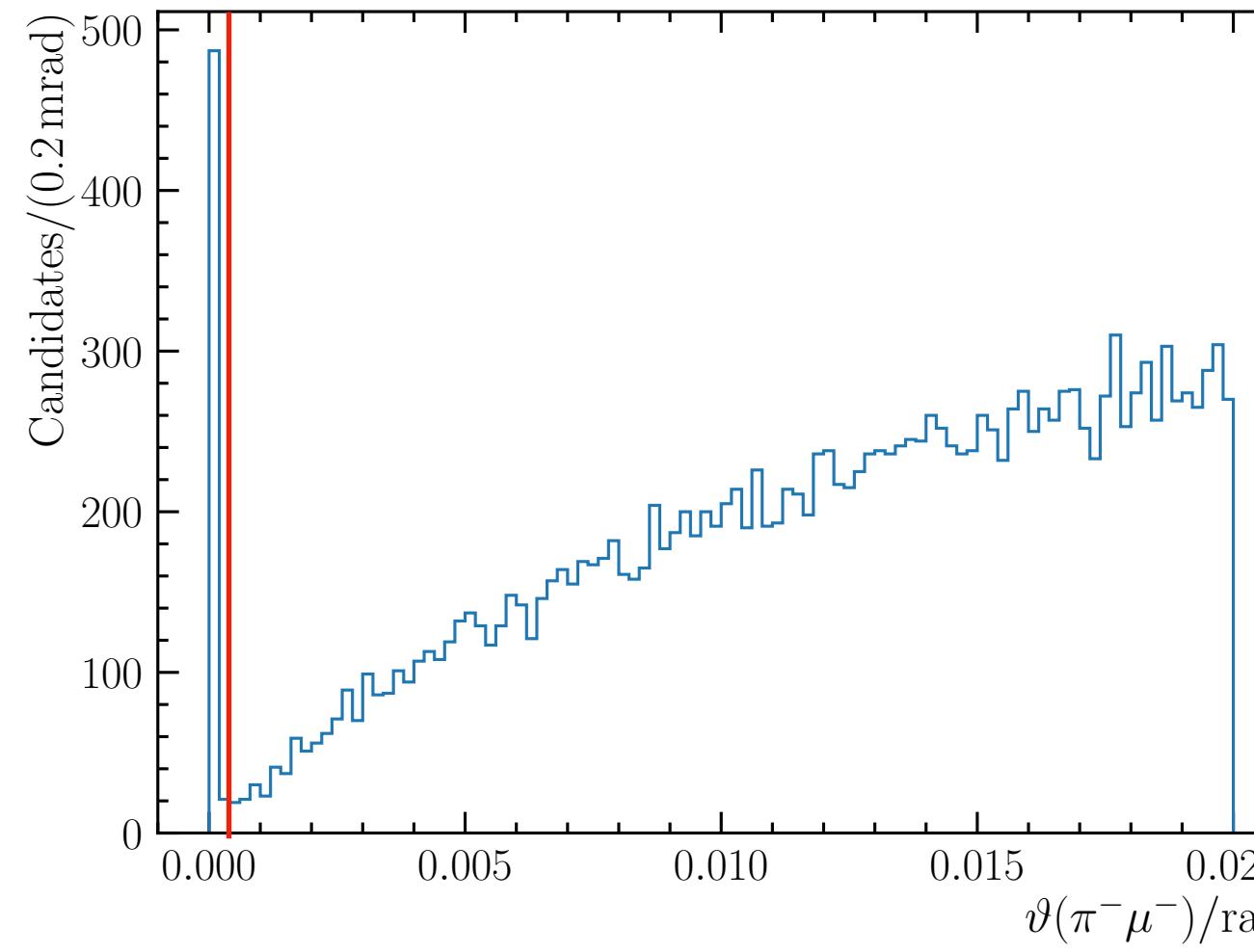
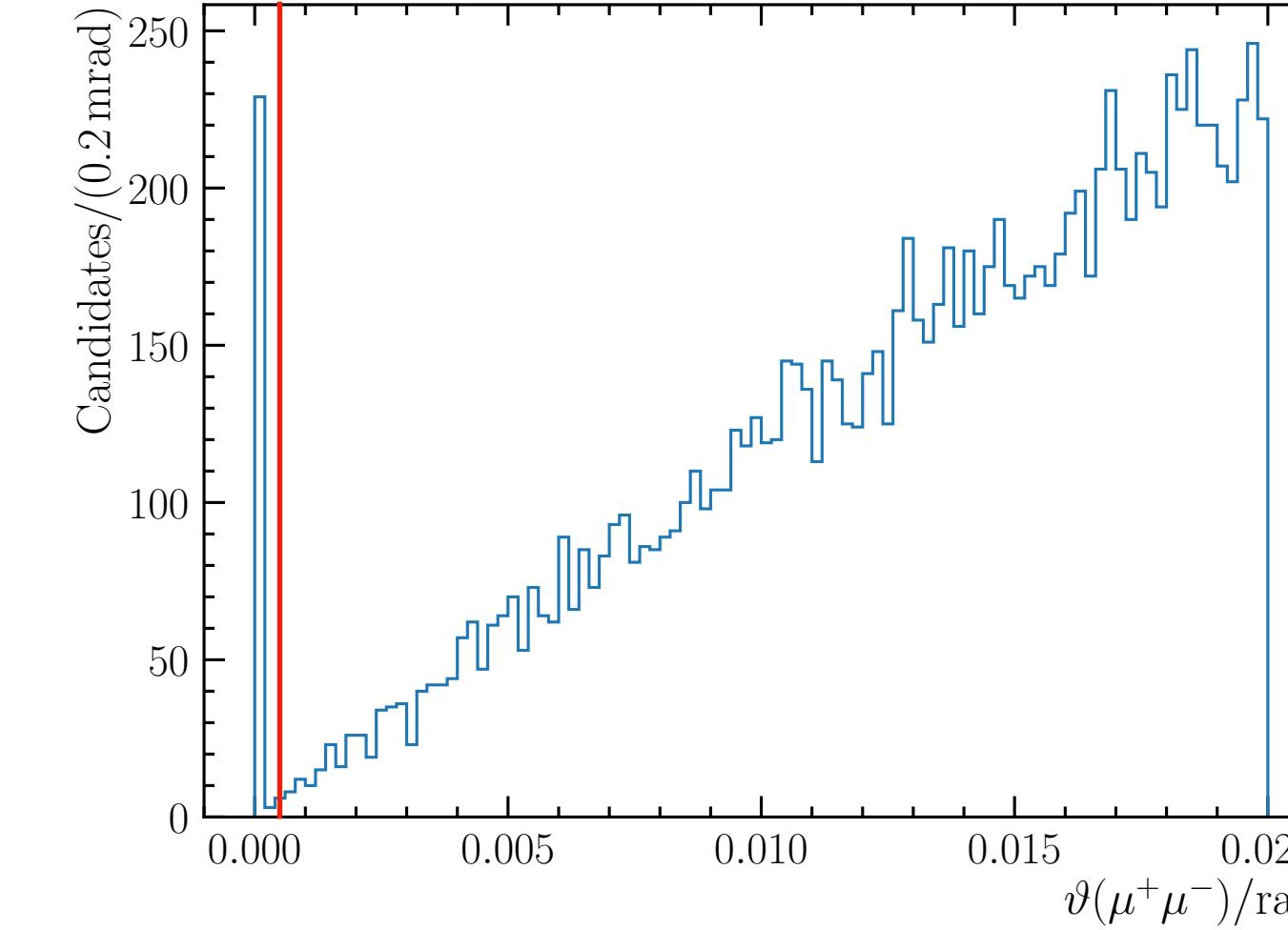
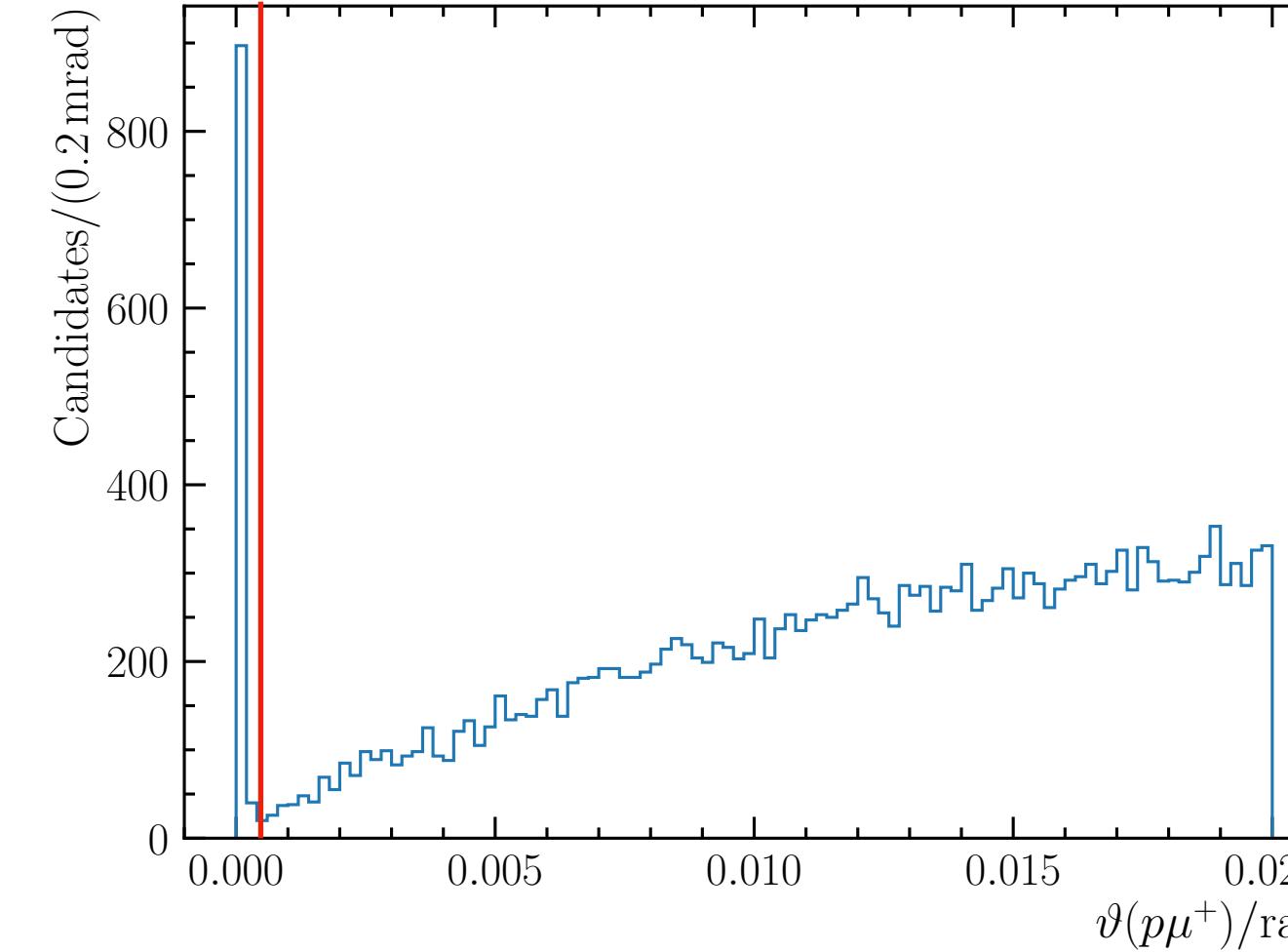
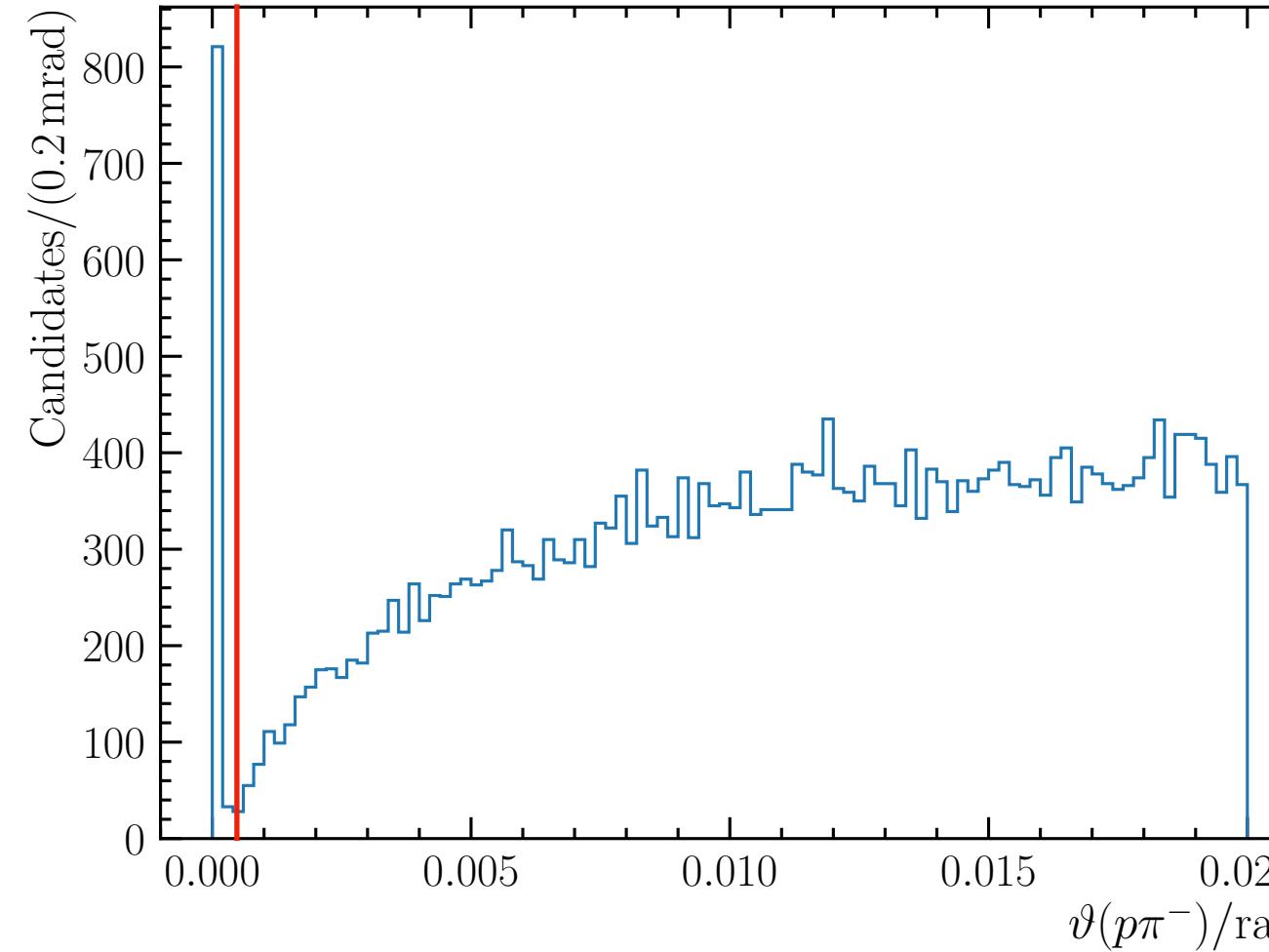
Target	Selection DLL	Selection ProbNN
Λ_b^0	ENDVERTEX_CHI2 < 20	ENDVERTEX_CHI2 < 20
p	PIDp > 0	ProbNN_p*(1-ProbNN_k) > 0.4
p	(PIDp - PIDK) > 8	
π	PIDK < -5	ProbNN_pi*(1-ProbNN_k) > 0.4
π	PT > 400 MeV	PT > 400 MeV
	P > 2000 MeV	P > 2000 MeV
p	PT > 400 MeV	PT > 400 MeV
	P > 7500 MeV	P > 7500 MeV
π, p	isMuon = 0	isMuon = 0
μ	ProbNNmu > 0.1	ProbNNmu > 0.1

Target	Selection DLL		Selection ProbNN	
	Region (MeV)	Cut	Region	Cut
B^0 misID	5246-5330	$p\text{DLL}_{pK} > 17$	$ m_{B^0} - m(p\pi\mu\mu)_{K \leftarrow p} < 30$	$p\text{ProbNN}_p > p\text{ProbNN}_k + 0.5$
B^0 double misID	/	/	$ m_{B^0} - m(p\pi\mu\mu)_{Kp \leftarrow p\pi} < \sigma_{B^0}$	$p\text{ProbNN}_p > p\text{ProbNN}_\pi + 0.3$ $\& \pi\text{ProbNN}_\pi > \pi\text{ProbNN}_k + 0.3$
B_s^0 misID	5348-5406	$\pi\text{DLL}_K < -10$	$ m_{B_s^0} - m(p\pi\mu\mu)_{KK \leftarrow \pi p} < \sigma_{B_s^0}$	$p\text{ProbNN}_p > p\text{ProbNN}_k + 0.3$ $\& \pi\text{ProbNN}_\pi > \pi\text{ProbNN}_k + 0.3$
$\pi\pi$ misID	5247-5329 5348-5406	$p\text{DLL}_p > 5$	$m(p\pi\mu\mu)_{\pi \leftarrow p} > m_{B^0} - \sigma_{B^0}$ $\& m(p\pi\mu\mu)_{\pi \leftarrow p} < m_{B_s^0} - \sigma_{B_s^0}$	$p\text{ProbNN}_p > p\text{ProbNN}_\pi + 0.3$
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK$ misID	5569-5669	$\pi\text{DLL}_K < -15$	/	/
ϕ veto	/	/	$ m(p\pi)_{KK \leftarrow p\pi} - m_\phi > 12$	/
clones	/	/	all	$\theta_{p_1 p_2} > 0.0005 \text{ rad}$ $[p_1 \neq p_2; p_i \in \{p, \pi, \mu^+, \mu^-\}]$
Λ_c semileptonic	/	/	$m(p\pi\mu^+)_{\pi \leftarrow \mu} > 2320 \& m(p\pi\mu^+)_{\pi K \leftarrow \mu\pi} > 2320$	/
$\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi$	/	/	$ m(p\pi) - m_\Lambda > 5$	/

Now

- Loosen PID cuts
- Use simultaneous fit to fit pk misID

Clone track cuts



Run2 (15-18) data
after preselection

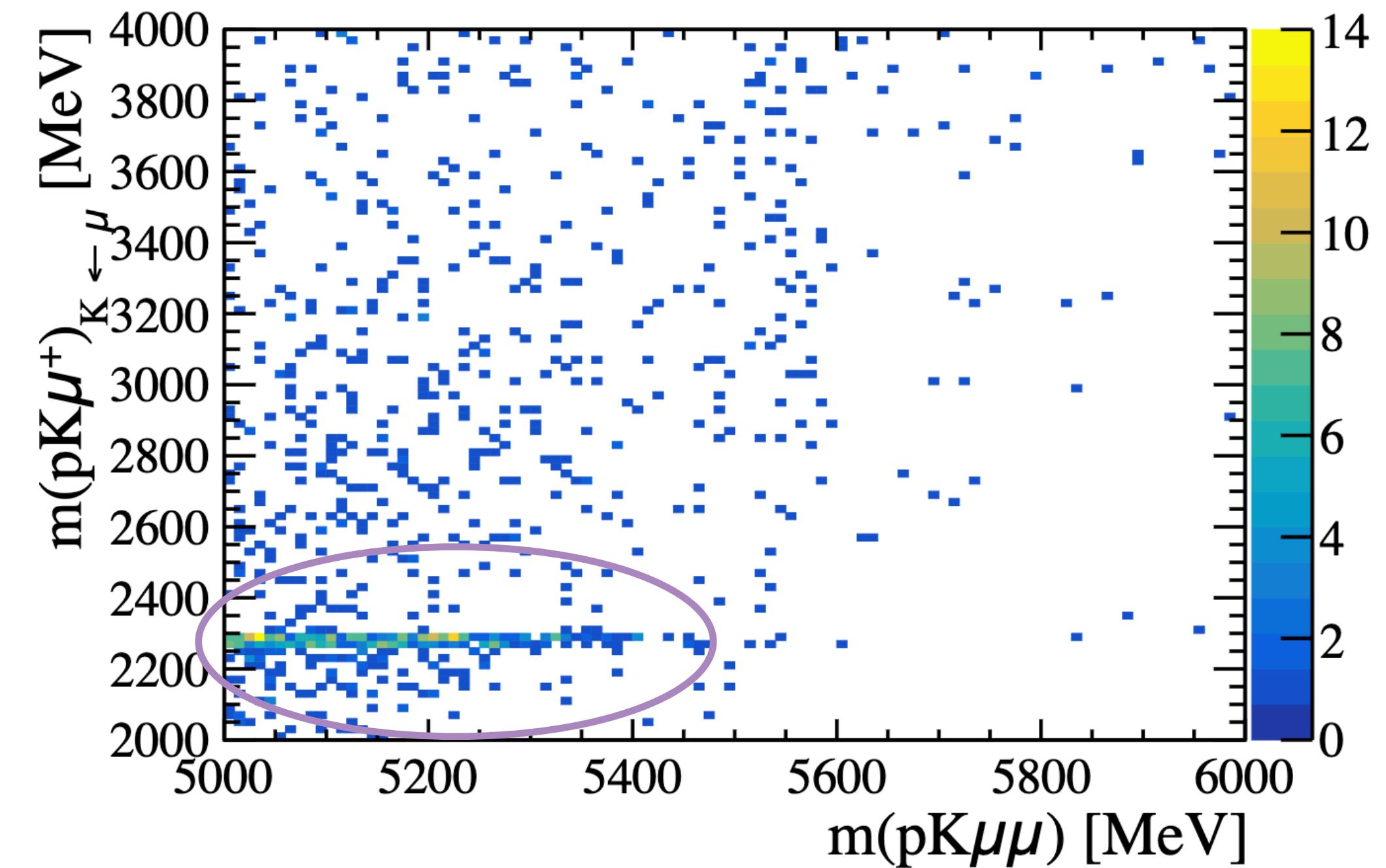
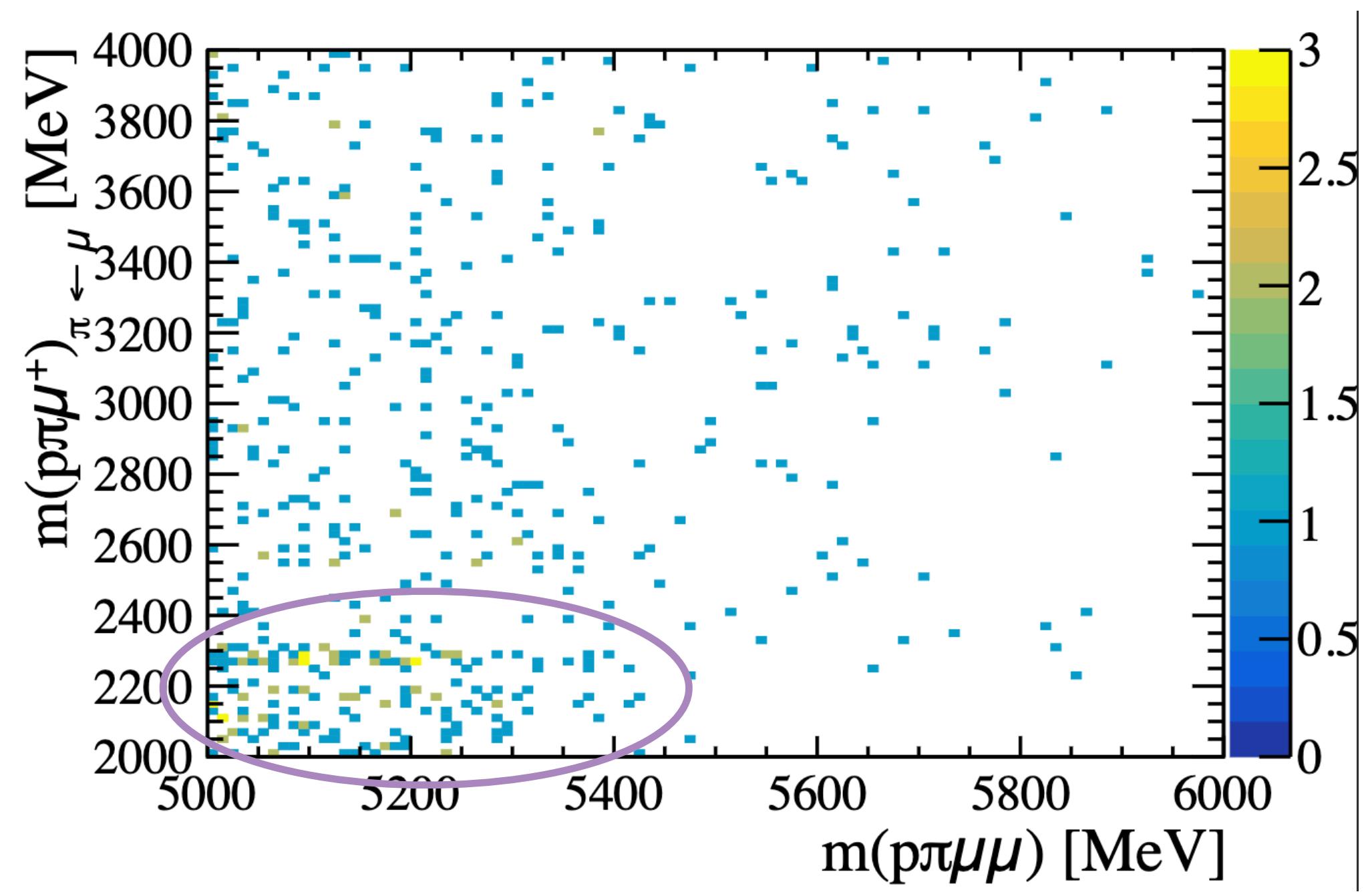
Opening angle ϑ :

$$\cos(\vartheta(\mu^+, \mu^-)) = \frac{\vec{p}(\mu^+) \cdot \vec{p}(\mu^-)}{|\vec{p}(\mu^+)| |\vec{p}(\mu^-)|}$$

- Removing remaining clone tracks by requiring $\vartheta(t_1, t_2) > 0.5 \text{ mrad}$, $\epsilon_{\text{sig}}(\vartheta > 0.5 \text{ mrad}) \approx 100 \%$

Λ_c semileptonic vetoes

- Semileptonic: $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c(\rightarrow p\pi\pi)\mu\nu, \Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c(\rightarrow p\pi K)\mu\nu$
- Double semileptonic: $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c(\rightarrow p\pi\mu\nu)\mu\nu, \Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c(\rightarrow pK\mu\nu)\mu\nu$



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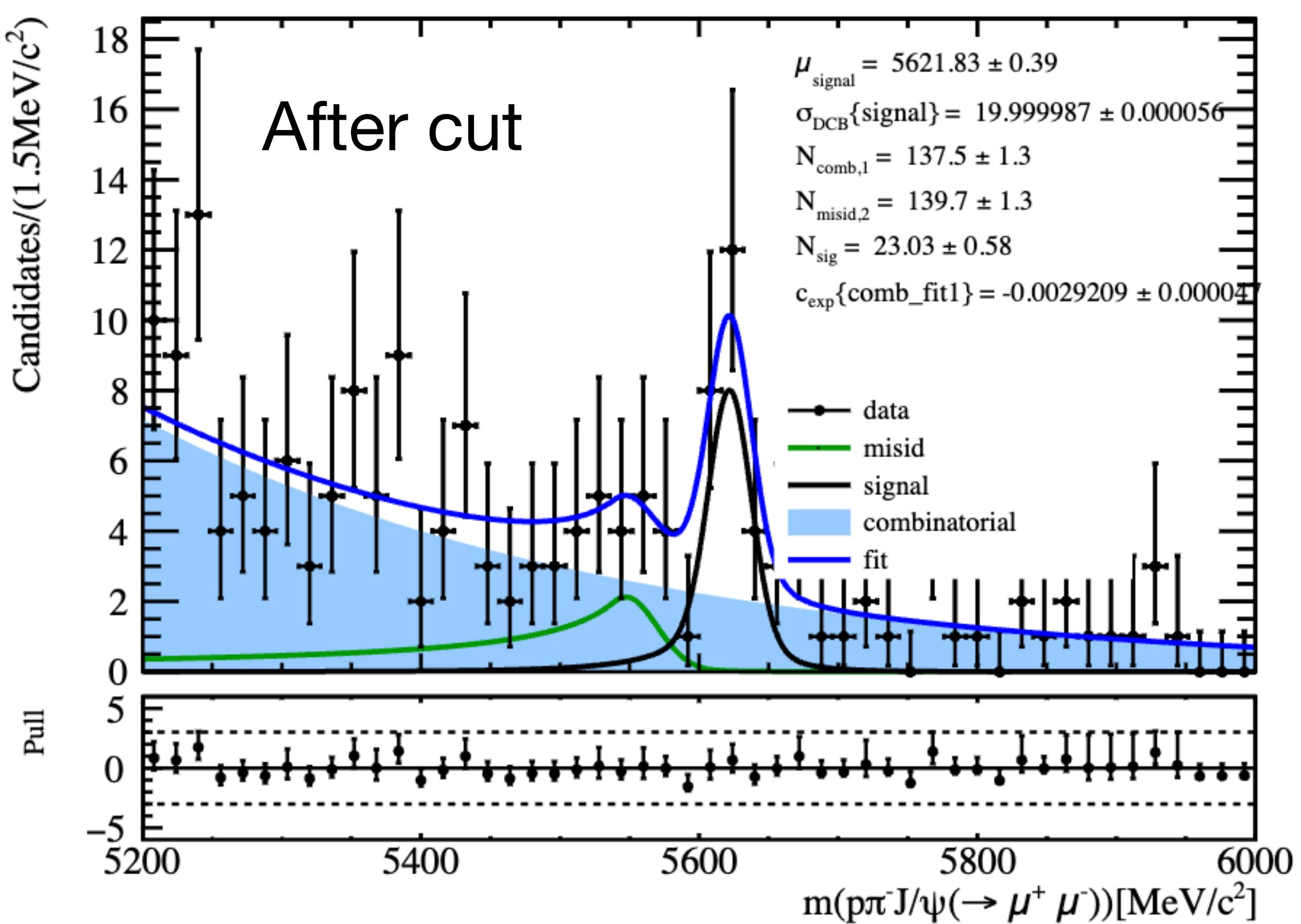
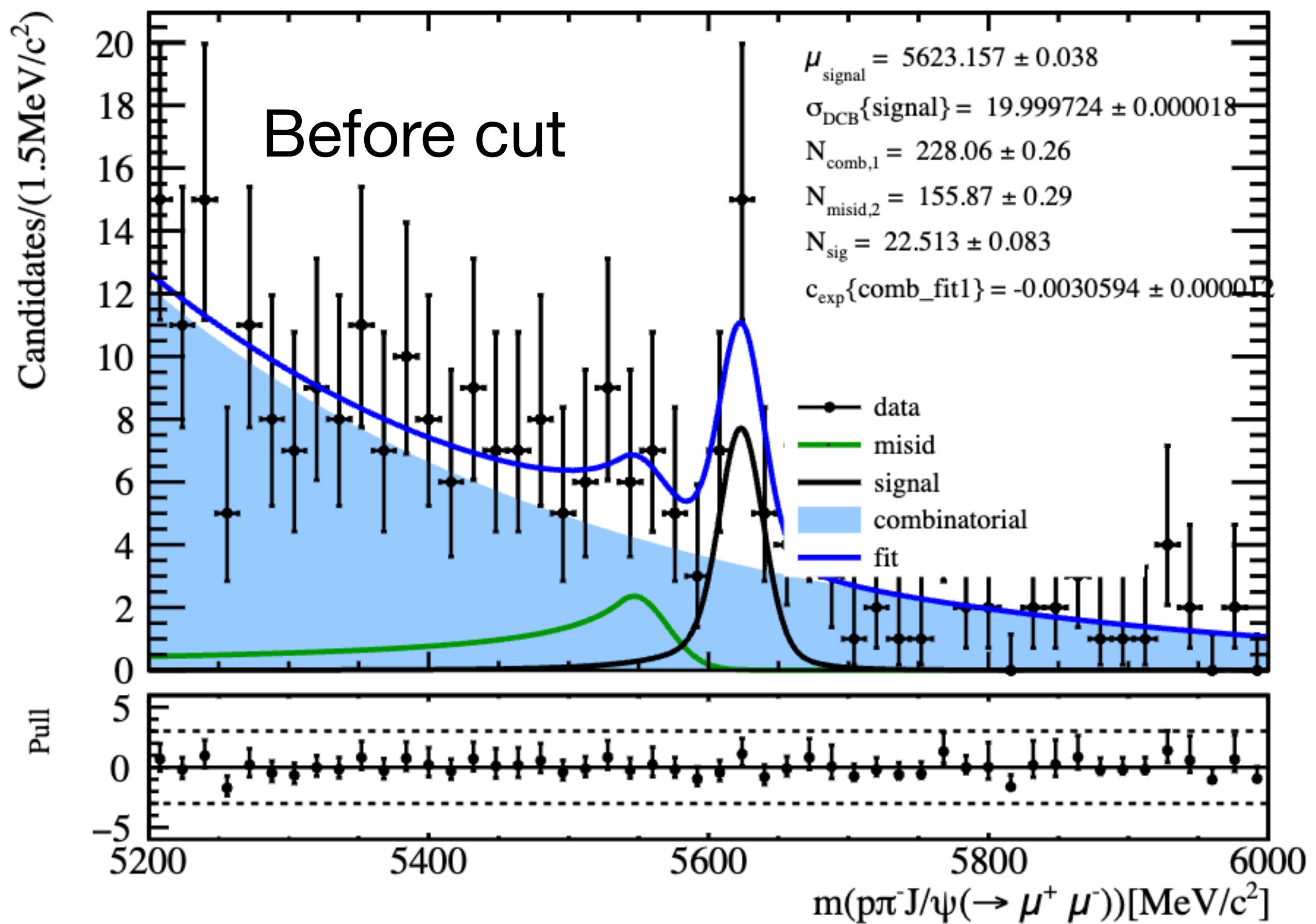
- Semileptonic: $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c(\rightarrow p\pi\pi)\mu\nu, \Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c(\rightarrow p\pi K)\mu\nu$
- Double semileptonic: $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c(\rightarrow p\pi\mu\nu)\mu\nu, \Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c(\rightarrow pK\mu\nu)\mu\nu$

Vetoes to add: $m(p\pi\mu)_{\pi \leftarrow \mu} > 2300 \text{ MeV}$ and $m(p\pi\mu)_{K\pi \leftarrow \pi\mu} > 2300 \text{ MeV}$

This double semileptonic veto also cuts the single semileptonic backgrounds $\Lambda_c \rightarrow p\pi\pi$ and $\Lambda_c \rightarrow p\pi K$

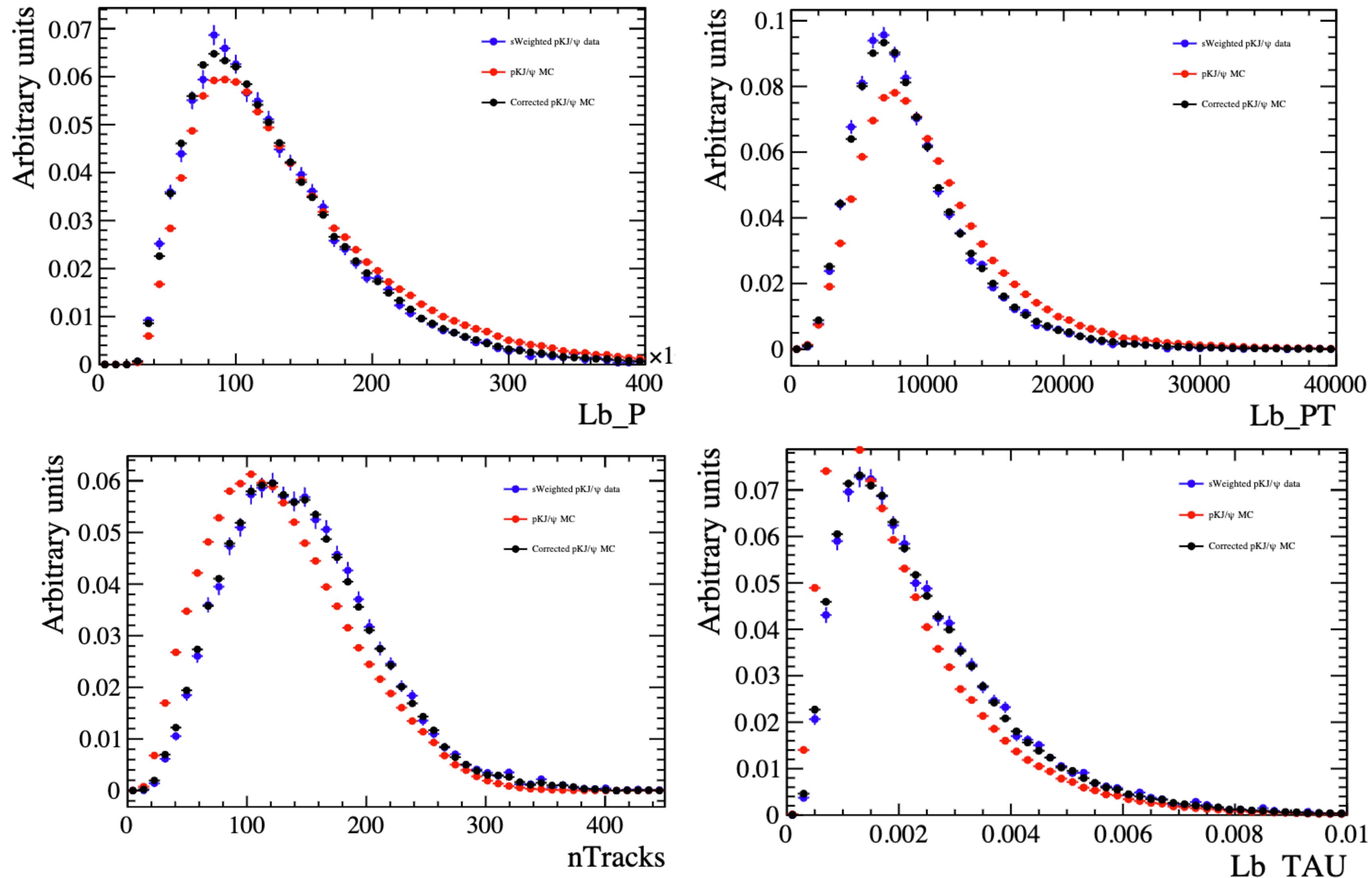
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- $L1_ProbNNmu > 0.1 \text{ \&\& } L2_ProbNNmu > 0.1$



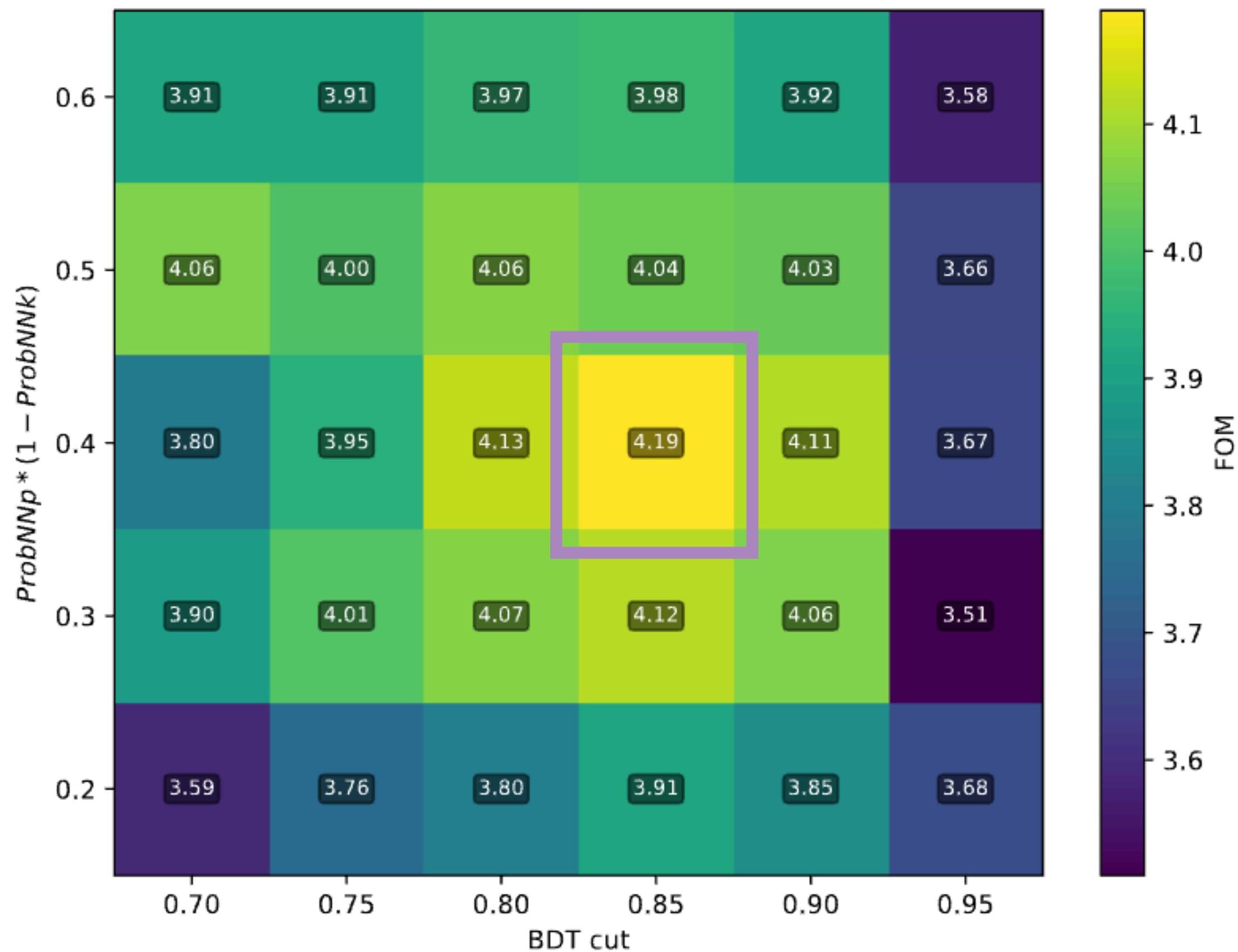
Kinematic corrections

- Run2

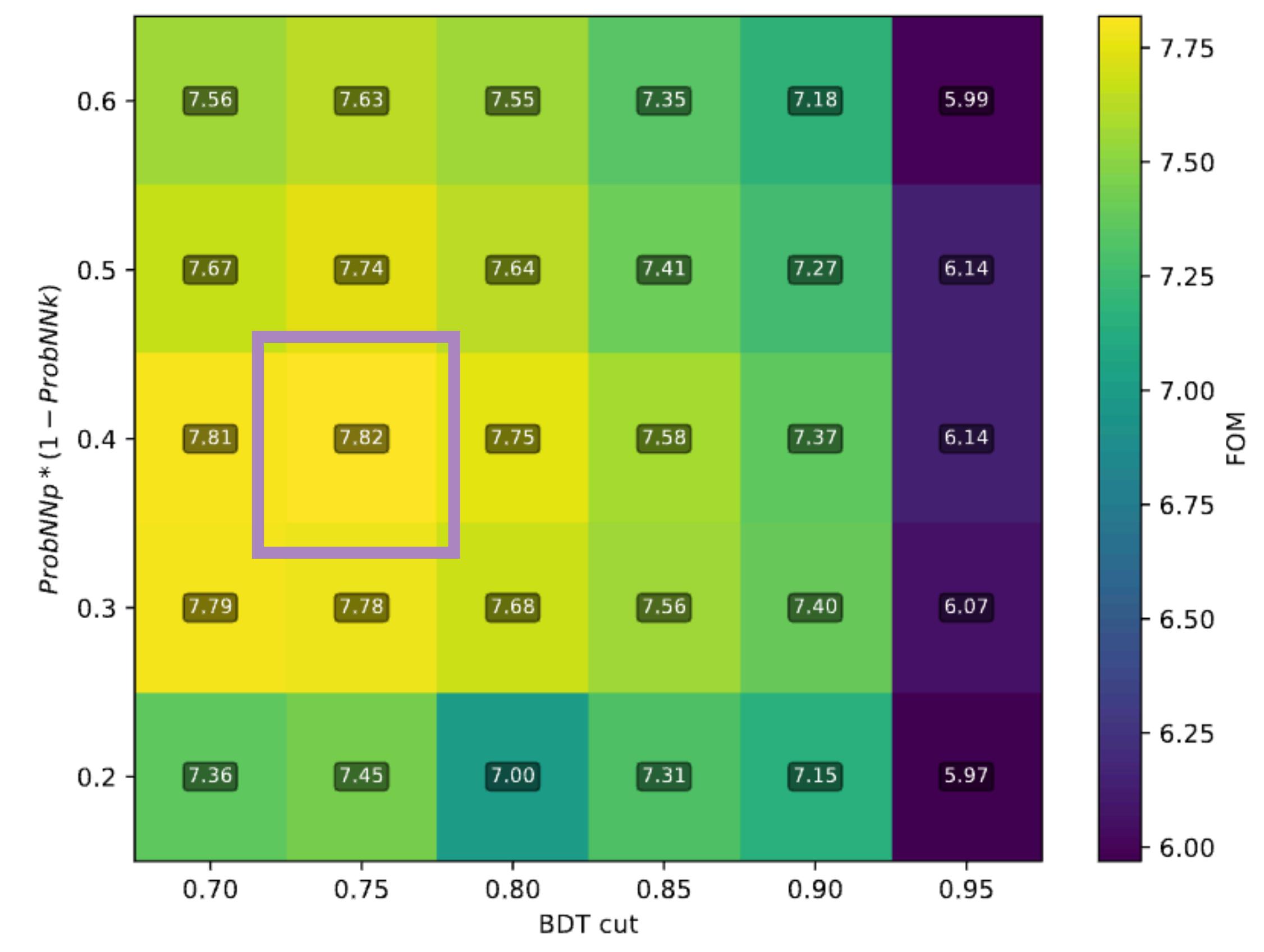


2D optimisation

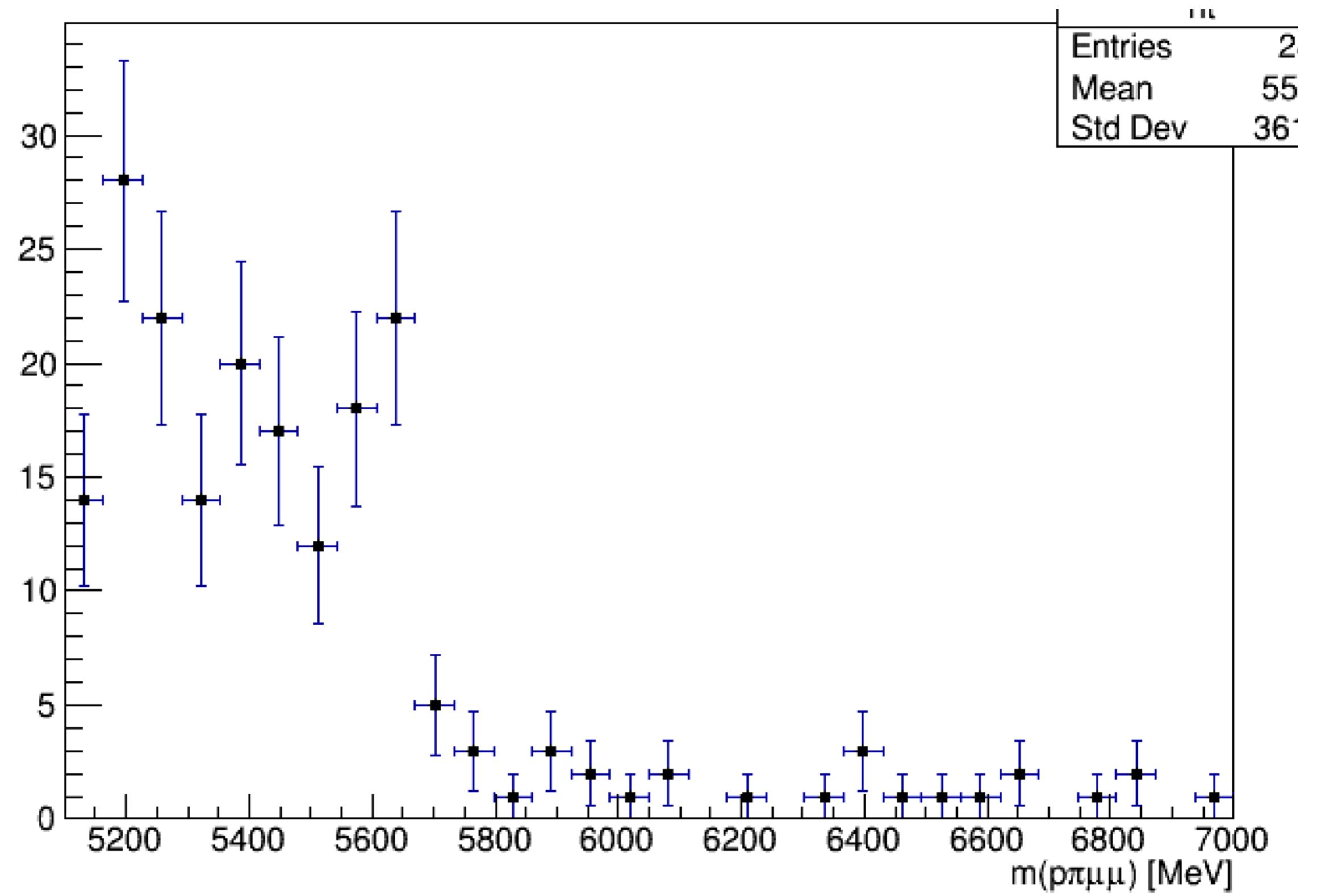
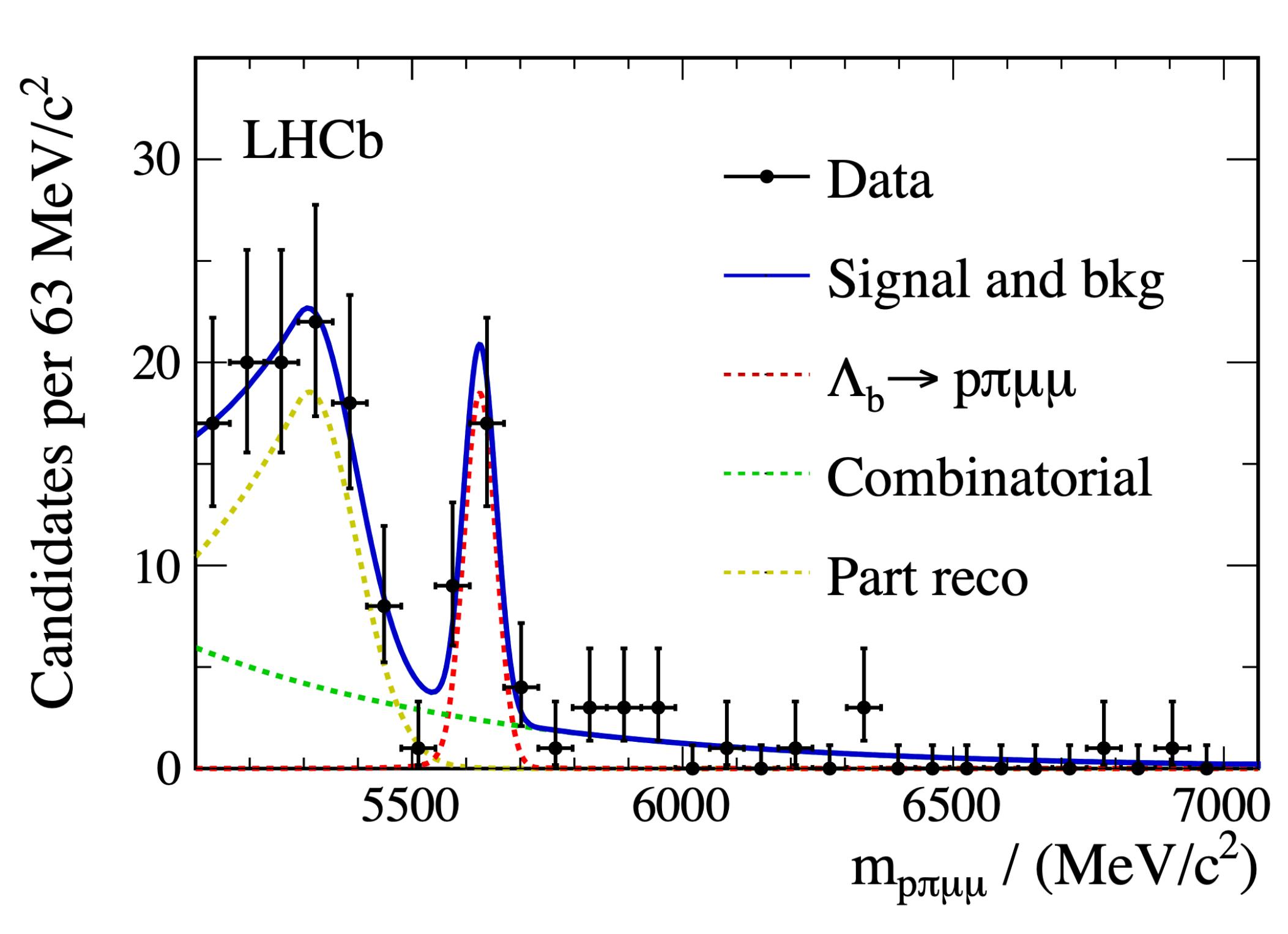
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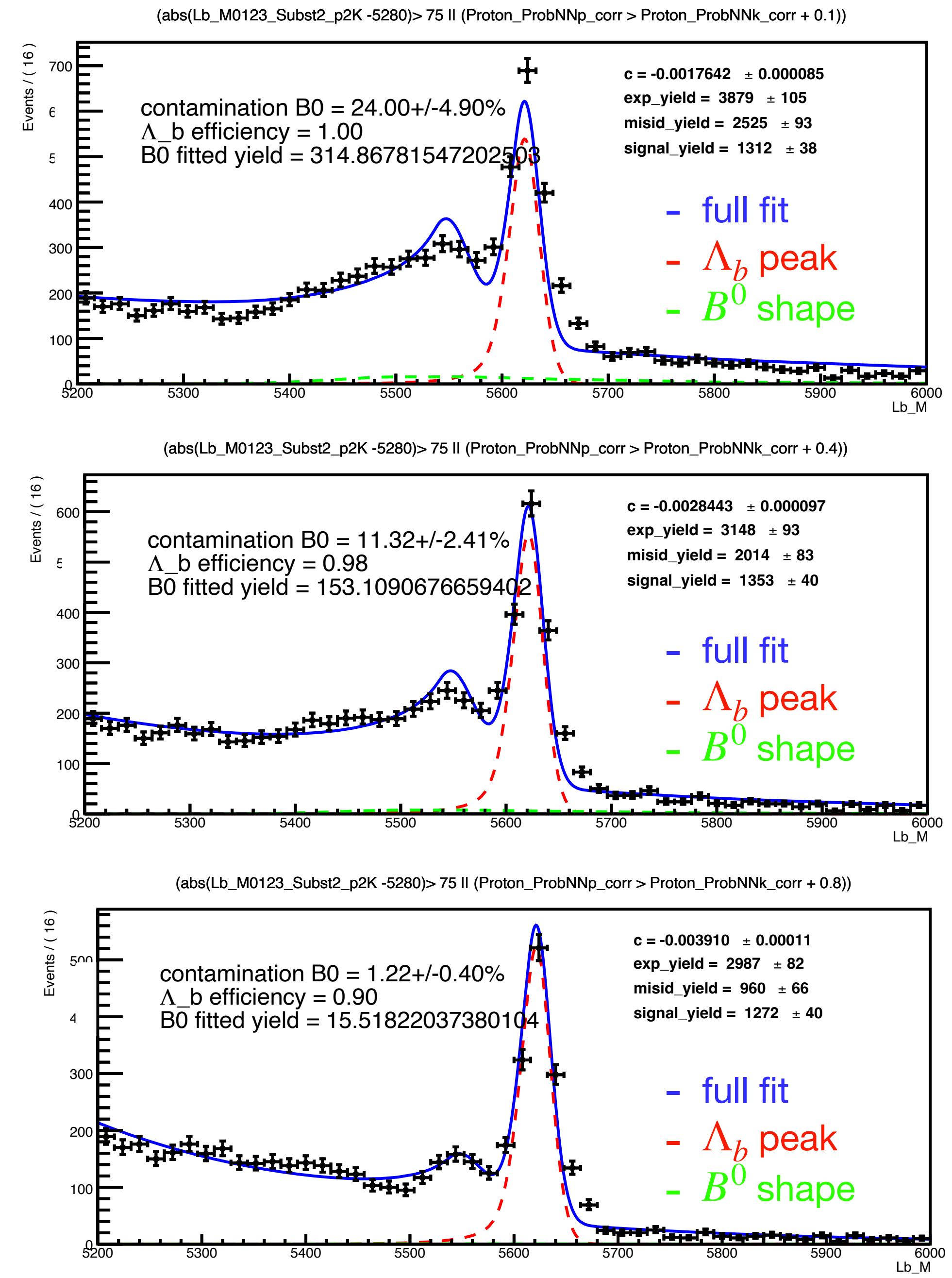
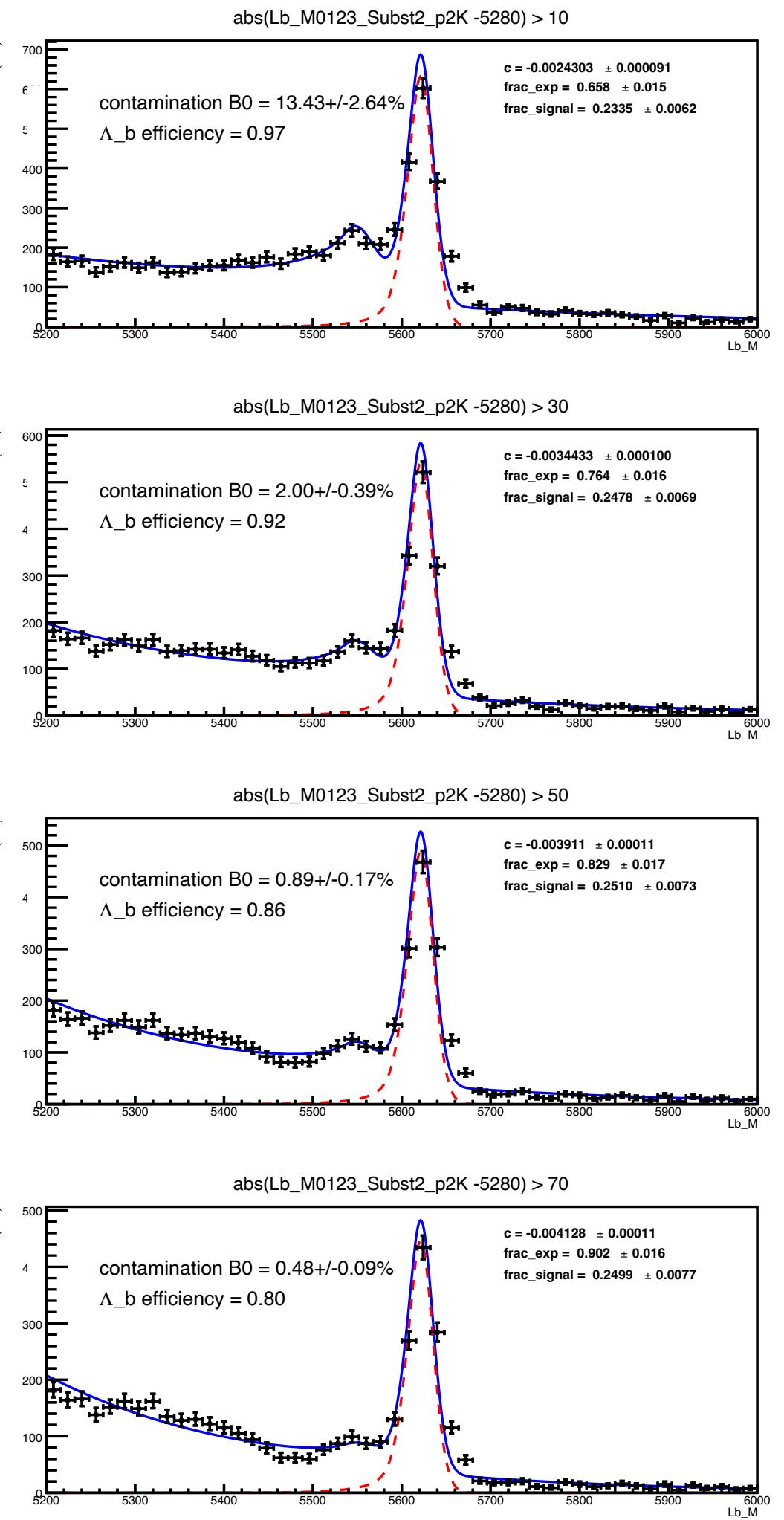
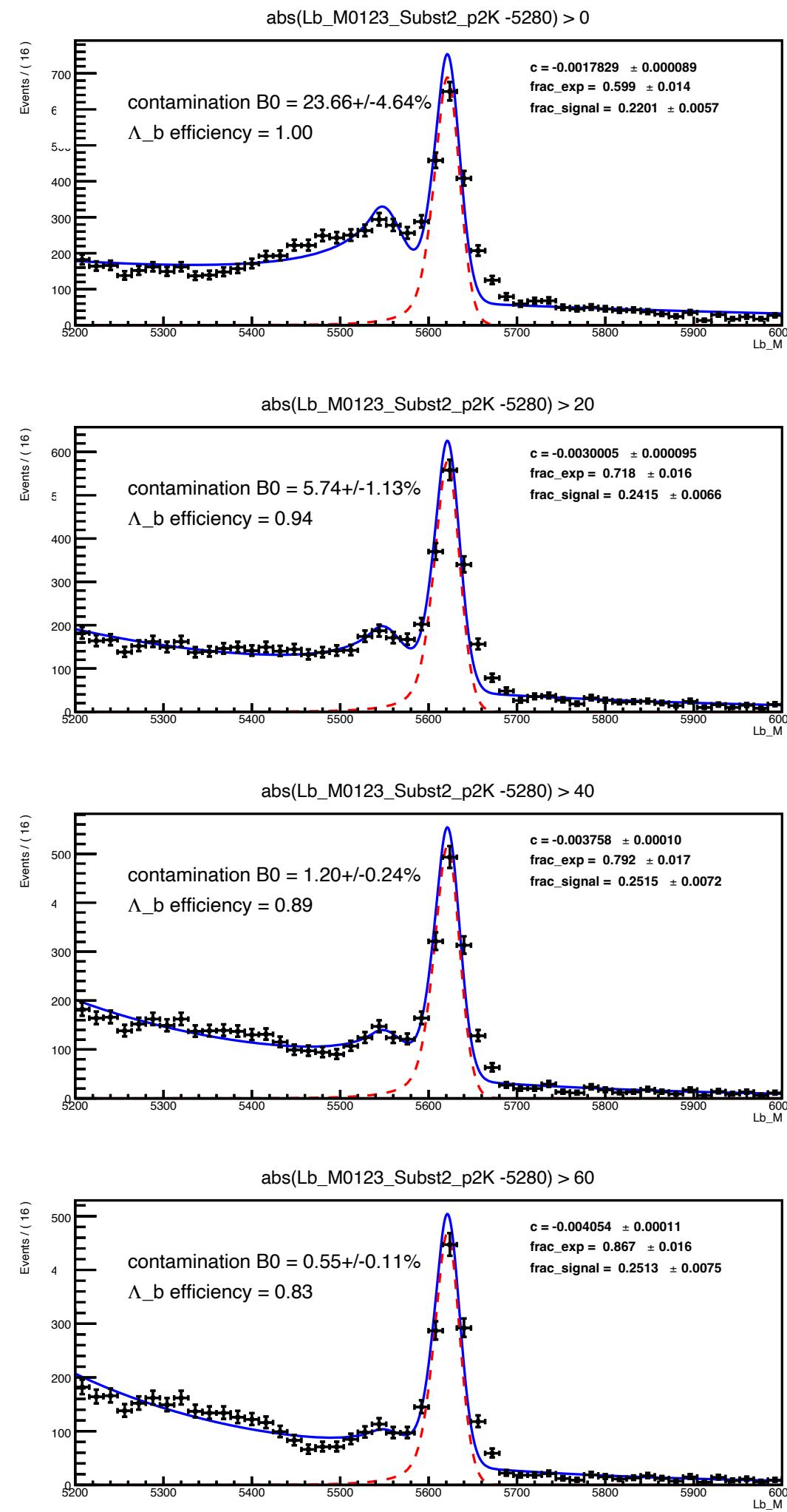
Run2



Comparison with run1

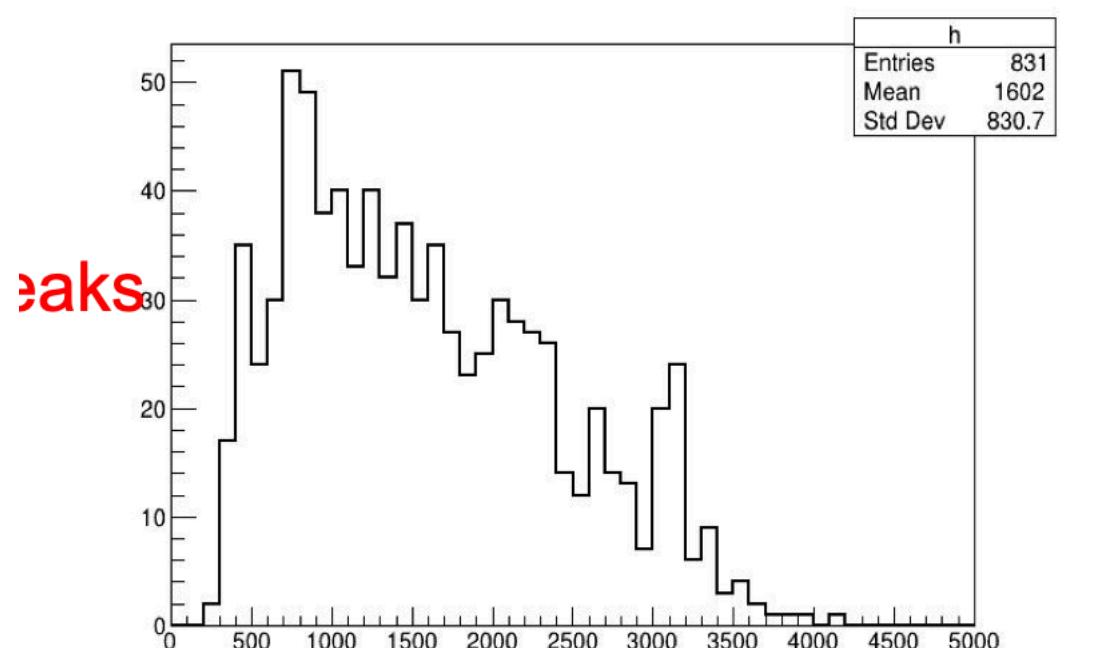


B^0 background



Other backgrounds

Λ_b^0 decay	D^0 decay Comment	Process	Description
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p D^0 \pi$	$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+$	Double pion MisID	close to $m(D^0)$ PDG
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p D^0 \pi$	$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	Semileptonic With pion misID	below $m(D^0)$ PDG
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p D^0 \mu \nu_\mu$	$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+$	Semileptonic With pion misID	close to $m(D^0)$ PDG
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p D^0 \mu \nu_\mu$	$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu$	Double semileptonic	Below $m(D^0)$ PDG



$D^0: m(\pi\mu)$ in $p\pi\mu\mu$ data,

Mode	
$B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \pi\pi J/\psi$	Vetoed
$B^0 \rightarrow K\pi J/\psi$ single misID	Vetoed
$B^0 \rightarrow K\pi J/\psi$ double misID	Vetoed
$B_s \rightarrow K\pi J/\psi$ single misID	Not significant
$B_s \rightarrow K\pi J/\psi$ double misID	Not significant
part reco θ_{DIRA}	Not significant
$B_s \rightarrow \phi(\rightarrow KK)J/\psi$	Vetoed
$B_s \rightarrow KKJ/\psi$	Not significant

Pion cut decision

- Only preselection and triggers applied

