



**Further analysis topics with
maximum likelihood**

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- Maximum Likelihood
- Acceptance Corrections
- Background Subtractions
- Bootstrap

Probability Distribution Functions



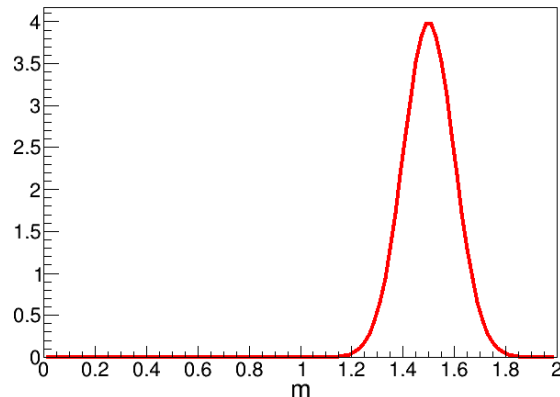
- The Probability Distribution Function for some model f depending on observables $x_i = \{x_0, x_1, \dots\}$ and parameters $\theta_j = \{\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots\}$:

$$p(x_i : \theta_j) = \frac{f(x_i : \theta_j)}{\int f(x_i : \theta_j) dx} \quad \text{i.e. its value over its integral}$$

- Examples,

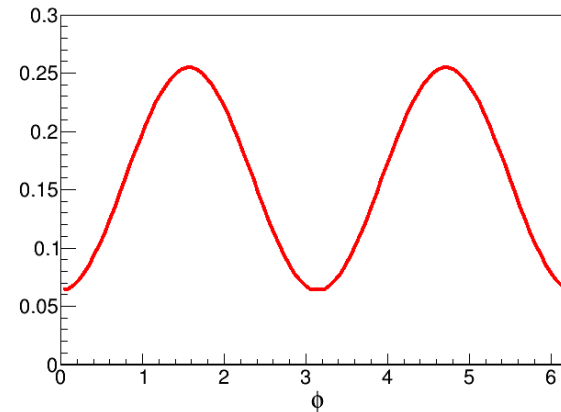
$$p(m : \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(m - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

Where $x_i = \{m\}$ and $\theta_i = \{\mu, \sigma\}$



$$p(\phi, P_\gamma : \Sigma) = \frac{1}{2\pi} (1 - P_\gamma \Sigma \cos(2\phi))$$

Where $x_i = \{\phi, P_\gamma\}$ and $\theta_i = \{\Sigma\}$



Likelihood



- Product of probabilities of each data event

May generalise to histograms
but here we just consider event
based distributions
(histograms lose information)

$$L(\theta_j) = \prod_{k=0}^N p(x_{i,k} : \theta_j)$$

Minimise this

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta_j) = -\ln(L(\theta_j)) = -\sum_{k=0}^N \ln[p(x_{i,k} : \theta_j)]$$

Better to compute
- probabilities may
be very small

- Extended likelihood allows for uncertainty in normalisation

$$L(\theta_j, Y) = \prod_{k=0}^N p(x_{i,k} : \theta_j) e^{-Y} \frac{Y^N}{N!}$$

Observed events N is a
random variable from Poisson
distribution of mean Y

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta_j, Y) = -\ln(L(\theta_j, Y)) = -\sum_{k=0}^N \ln\left[\frac{f(x_{i,k} : \theta_j)}{\int f(x_i : \theta_j) dx}\right] + Y - N \ln Y + \ln N!$$

Minimise this

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta_j, Y) = -\ln(L(\theta_j, Y)) = -\sum_{k=0}^N \ln \frac{f(x_{i,k} : \theta_j)}{\int f(x_i : \theta_j) dx} + Y - N \ln Y$$

May choose to cancel
dashed cross terms
in calculation

with $Y = \int f(x_i : \theta_j) dx_i$

Normalisation Integral



- To normalise our PDF we need to integrate the function over the observables x_i (e.g. mass, angles) at a fixed value for the parameters θ_j

$$\int f(x_i : \theta_j) dx$$

- This has to be recalculated everytime a parameter changes during minimisation
- This can be OK if analytical form is known
- If we need to numerically estimate it, this can be slower
- Estimation can be done via summing Monte-Carlo samples or a grid of values in low dimensions (e.g. a 1D histogram)

$$\int f(x_i : \theta_j) dx_i = \frac{V}{M} \sum_s^M f(x_{i,s} : \theta_j)$$

MC integration with M events

And volume V (product of x_i ranges)

Acceptance Corrections



- Include acceptance dependence in function

Physics model • Detector acceptance

$$f(x_i : \theta_j) = I(x_i : \theta_j) \cdot \eta(x_i)$$

- Function PDF can be approximated by

$$p(x_i : \theta_j) = \frac{I(x_i : \theta_j) \eta(x_i)}{\sum_s^M I(x_{i,s} : \theta_j)}$$

Normalisation Integral ~
Sum over accepted events
from detector simulation
Monte-Carlo.

Thus includes η

- Extended Likelihood is then

$$L(\theta_j, Y) = \prod_{k=0}^N p(x_{i,k} : \theta_j) e^{-Y} \frac{Y^N}{N!}$$

$$-\ln L(\theta_j, Y) = - \sum_{k=0}^N \ln \left[\frac{I(x_{i,k} : \theta_j)}{\sum_s^M I(x_{i,s} : \theta_j)} \right] + Y - N \ln Y - \sum_k^N \ln \eta(x_{i,k})$$

Sum over acceptance
function does not
depend on parameters θ_j

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta_j, Y) = -\ln L(\theta_j, Y) = - \sum_{k=0}^N \ln \frac{I(x_{i,k} : \theta_j)}{\sum_s^M I(x_{i,s} : \theta_j)} + Y - N \ln Y$$

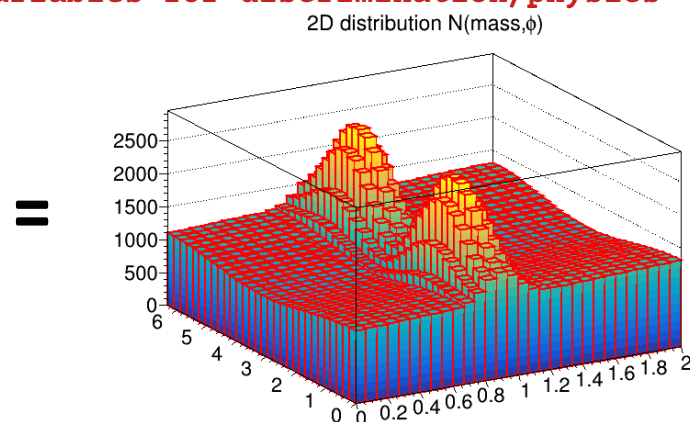
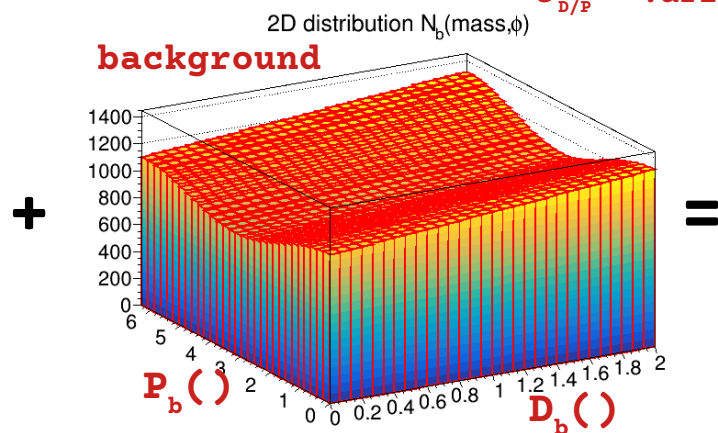
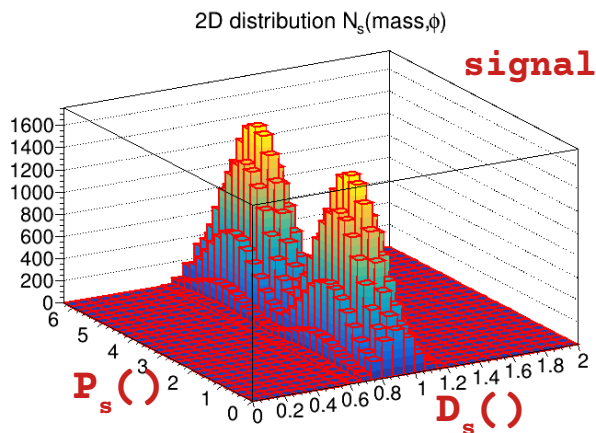
Signal and Background



- Generally when fitting experimental data signal events will be contaminated by backgrounds
- Backgrounds will have different observable distributions than signal. They may not be fit-able with your signal model!
- We need additional discriminatory observables to disentangle signal
- If the distributions may be factorised, you can specify a joint function :

$$f(x_i : \theta_j) = N_s \cdot D_s(x_{Di} : \theta_{Di}) \cdot P_s(x_{Pi} : \theta_{Pi}) + N_b \cdot D_b(x_{Di} : \theta_{Di}) \cdot P_b(x_{Pi} : \theta_{Pi})$$

$N_{s/B}$ = number signal/background events
 $D_{s/B}$ = Sig/BG PDF dependent discriminating vars
 $P_{s/B}$ = Sig/BG PDF dependent physics variables
 $X_{d/p}$ = variables for discrimination/physics
 $\theta_{d/p}$ = variables for discrimination/physics



Example Signal and Background



D=Discriminatory P=Physics

- Full distribution :

$$N(m, \phi : \mu, \sigma, c_0, c_1, \Sigma, b) = N_s.D_s(m : \mu, \sigma).P_s(\phi, P_\gamma : \Sigma) + N_b.D_b(m : c_0, c_1).P_b(\phi : A_B)$$

$$D_s(m : \mu, \sigma) = \text{Gaussian}(m : \mu, \sigma)$$

Signal

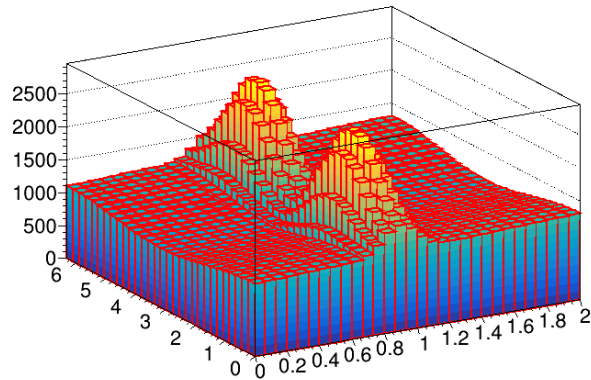
$$P_s(\phi, P_\gamma : \Sigma) = \text{PhotonAsymmetry}(\phi, P_\gamma : \Sigma)$$

$$D_b(m : c_0, c_1) = \frac{c_0 + c_1.m}{\int (c_0 + c_1.m) dm}$$

Background

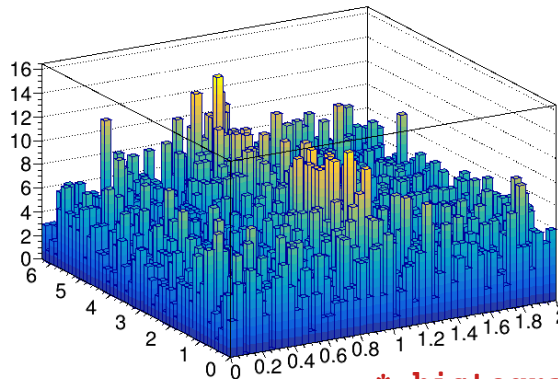
$$P_b(\phi : A_b) = \frac{1 + A_b \cos(\phi)}{\int (1 + A_b \cos(\phi)) d\phi}$$

2D distribution N(mass, ϕ)

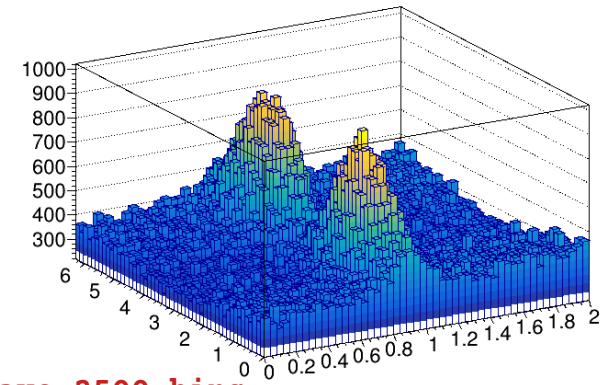


Sample of 1k events

Sample of 10k events



Sample of 1M events

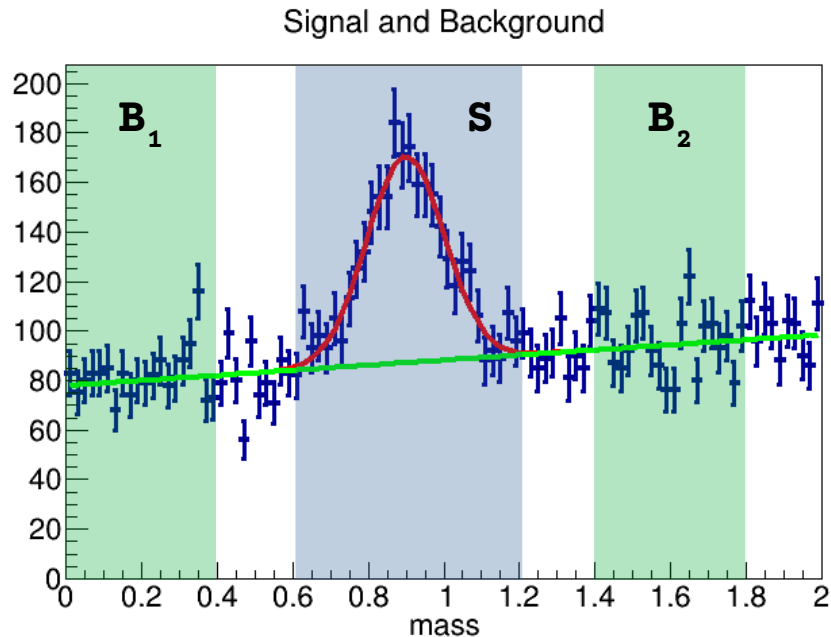


* histograms have 2500 bins

Background Subtraction : Sideband



- Sideband subtraction is useful when we can identify regions in our data of pure background, e.g. in discriminatory variable
- Then we can normalise these events to expected background in signal region and subtract via event(k) weights w_k



$$w_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k \in S \\ \frac{-1 \int_{sgnl} D_b(x;\theta_j) dx}{\int_{side} D_b(x;\theta_j) dx} & \text{if } k \in B \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- In the case background PDF is flat the weight simplifies to the ratio of signal and background regions

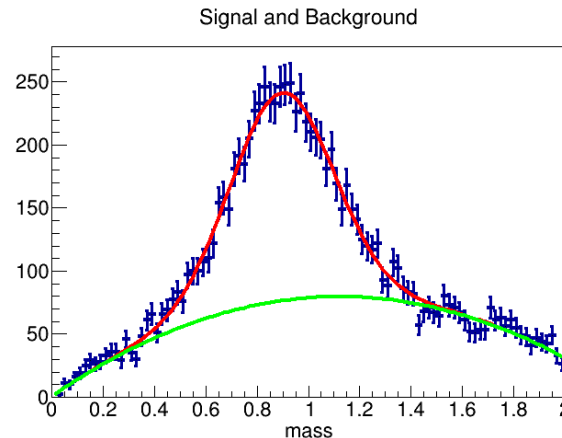
$$w_k = \frac{-1 \Delta_{sgnl}}{\Delta_{side}} \text{ if } k \in B$$

- Weights can be used to fill histograms OR in likelihood event based fits

sPlots



- Can't always identify background only regions to subtract
- sPlots provide more general weights for disentangling signal and background "physics" distributions
- Can extract weights from Likelihood and combined PDF fitted to discriminatory observables in data for different event types t (e.g. signal, background1, ...)



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$$\mathcal{L}(Y_t, \theta_j = \theta_j^{best}) = - \sum_k \ln \left[\sum_t Y_t \cdot P_t(x_k) \right] + \sum_t Y_t$$

$$w_{t,k} = \frac{\sum_{t'}^{N_t} V_{tt'} \cdot P_{t'}(x_k)}{\sum_{t'}^{N_t} Y_{t'} \cdot P_{t'}(x_k)}$$

Weights for event k to extract type t (e.g. $t = \text{signal}$)

$$P_t(x_k) = p_t(x_{Di,k} : \theta_{Dj}^{best})$$

A preliminary minimisation Of * can be done to estimate θ_j^{best}

$$[V_{tt'}]^{-1} = \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}(\theta_j^{best}, Y_t)}{\partial Y_t \partial Y_{t'}} = \sum_k \frac{P_t(x_k) P_{t'}(x_k)}{\left(\sum_{t'}^{N_t} Y_{t'} \cdot P_{t'}(x_k) \right)^2}$$

Calculated via fit routine

or

Calculated from Sum over data

Including Weights in Likelihood fits



- Given our event weights we now need to extract Physics parameters
- In principle this is straightforward :
subtract the background contribution from the summation of $\log[\text{PDF}]$

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta_j) = - \sum_k^{N_k} w_k \ln[p(x_{Pi,k} : \theta_{Pj})]$$

- Unfortunately our uncertainty estimates from the Likelihood are no longer valid
- An approximate correction for uncertainties may be applied using

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta_j) = - \frac{\sum_k^{N_k} w_k}{\sum_k^{N_k} w_k^2} \sum_k^{N_k} w_k \ln[p(x_{Pi,k} : \theta_{Pj})]$$

- However this is not always asymptotically correct (see references)

Bootstrapping Uncertainties



- Alternatively, one may try bootstrapping the data to generate distributions for our parameters
- These can give approximately the correct mean and variance for our parameters from the fit to the data
- Principle is to redo our fits many times (N_{boot})
 - For each fit we resample our data events from the original N_k
 - For each event we randomly choose an event from the original allowing for replacements, i.e. choose from the full N_k set for each event.
 - Now analyse the N_{boot} results for mean and variance of parameters
 - If multi-parameter fit we can produce covariances etc.

More complicated PDFs



- The beauty of ML is it naturally extends to problems with many observables and parameters
- Some Examples

K+Λ photoproduction

With recoil polarisations we have 7 parameters

and $\theta_{x,y,z}$ are the Λ decay angles

$$\begin{aligned} f(\Phi, \theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z : P, \Sigma, T, O_x, O_z, C_x, C_z) \\ = \{ 1 + P \cos(\theta_y) \\ - P_\gamma \cos(2\Phi)(\Sigma + T \cos(\theta_y)) \\ - P_\gamma \sin(2\Phi)(O_x \cos(\theta_x) + O_z \cos(\theta_z)) \\ - P_\odot (C_x \cos(\theta_x) + C_z \cos(\theta_z)) \} \end{aligned}$$

$$f(\Omega, \Phi : \{[\ell]_m^{(\epsilon)}\}) = I^0(\Omega) - P_\gamma I^1(\Omega) \cos(2\Phi) - P_\gamma I^2(\Omega) \sin(2\Phi),$$

$$I^0(\Omega) = \sum_{\epsilon} \{ |U^{(\epsilon)}(\Omega)|^2 + |\tilde{U}^{(\epsilon)}(\Omega)|^2 \},$$

$$I^1(\Omega) = -2 \sum_{\epsilon} \epsilon \Re \{ U^{(\epsilon)}(\Omega) [\tilde{U}^{(\epsilon)}(\Omega)]^* \},$$

$$I^2(\Omega) = -2 \sum_{\epsilon} \epsilon \Im \{ U^{(\epsilon)}(\Omega) [\tilde{U}^{(\epsilon)}(\Omega)]^* \}.$$

Two pion Partial Wave Analysis

Partial wave amplitudes

Spherical harmonics

$$U^{(\epsilon)}(\Omega) = \sum_{\ell m} [\ell]_m^{(\epsilon)} Y_\ell^m(\Omega),$$

$$\tilde{U}^{(\epsilon)}(\Omega) = \sum_{\ell m} [\ell]_m^{(\epsilon)} [Y_\ell^m(\Omega)]^*.$$



Covered here

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Additional topics

- Toy MC
 - Validate your parameter extraction and Uncertainties via many simulated analysis
- Unfolding/deconvoluting resolutions
- Bayesian sampling techniques
 - e.g MCMC , nested sampling
 - Generate accurate samples of parameter posterior distributions
- Global versus local maxima

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