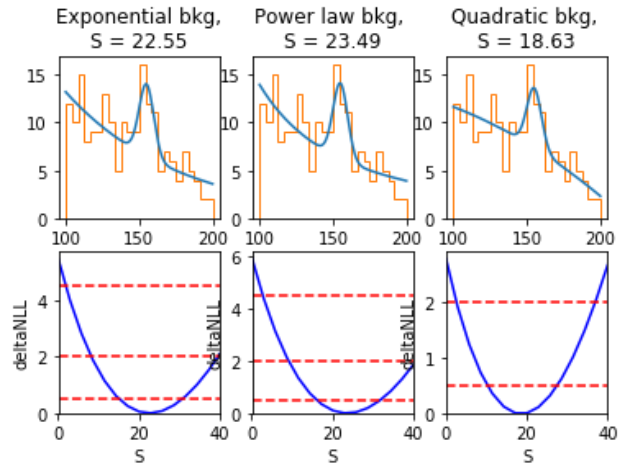


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In [2]: # the cursed way of exec python codes
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
exec(open("./exer1.py").read())
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Minimization # 2 started.
Minimization # 3 started.
Minimization # 1 started.
Minimization # 1 finished, best S = 22.55142489135046
Minimization # 2 finished, best S = 23.494303201823072
Minimization # 3 finished, best S = 18.63733971050735
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Report

For this sig/bkg distribution, we picked three distribution for background: exponential decay, power law, and a quadratic. For these three backgrounds, we get best estimated S of 22.5, 23.5, 18.6, respectively. Check out the above figures for a bkg+sig overlap.

To my best judgement, power law and exponential decay backgrounds are responsible, since larger invariant mass corresponds to smaller production x_{sec} .

As we can see, whatever fit we choose, $S = 0$ is very unlikely and in *exponential* fit and *power law*, we see we have a $\sigma > 3$ evidence of signal process!

Among these fits, we see exponential and power law are the better ones (in terms of excluding $S = 0$), of course, they are more physical than quadratic to begin with...

Quoting what we see in power law decay, $S = 24 \pm 4$, as for ZZ, comparing across model, let's say $S = 24 \pm 4 \pm 5$