

$\gamma p \longrightarrow p K^- K^+ \pi^0$
background exploration,
likelihood methods



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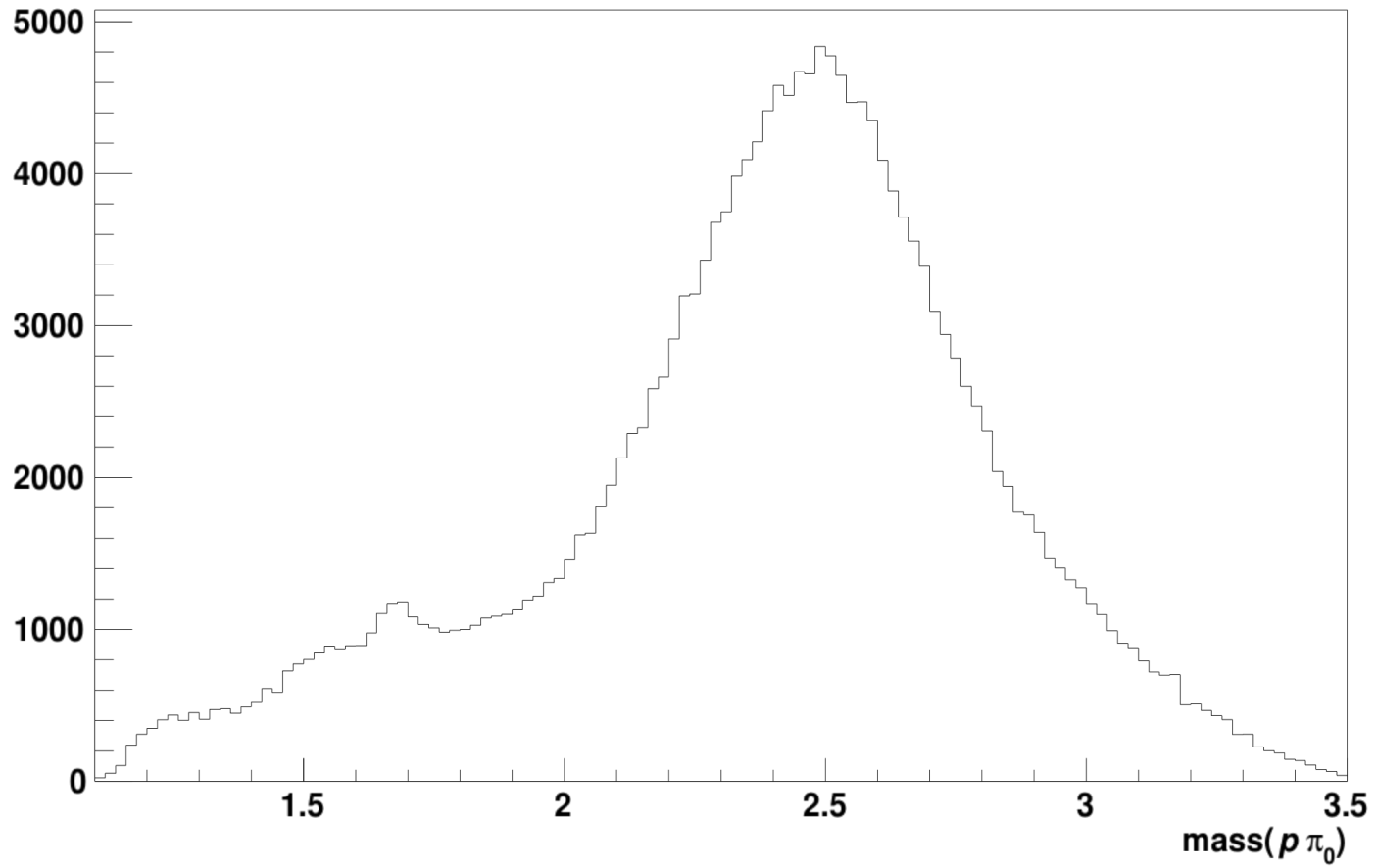
Baryonic background

- Focusing on $p \pi_0$ and $p K^-$
- Looking at mass spectra individually, and plotted against $K^+ K^- \pi_0$ mass spectrum
- So far, there is no indication of strong baryonic states present

$\rho \pi_0$

no cuts

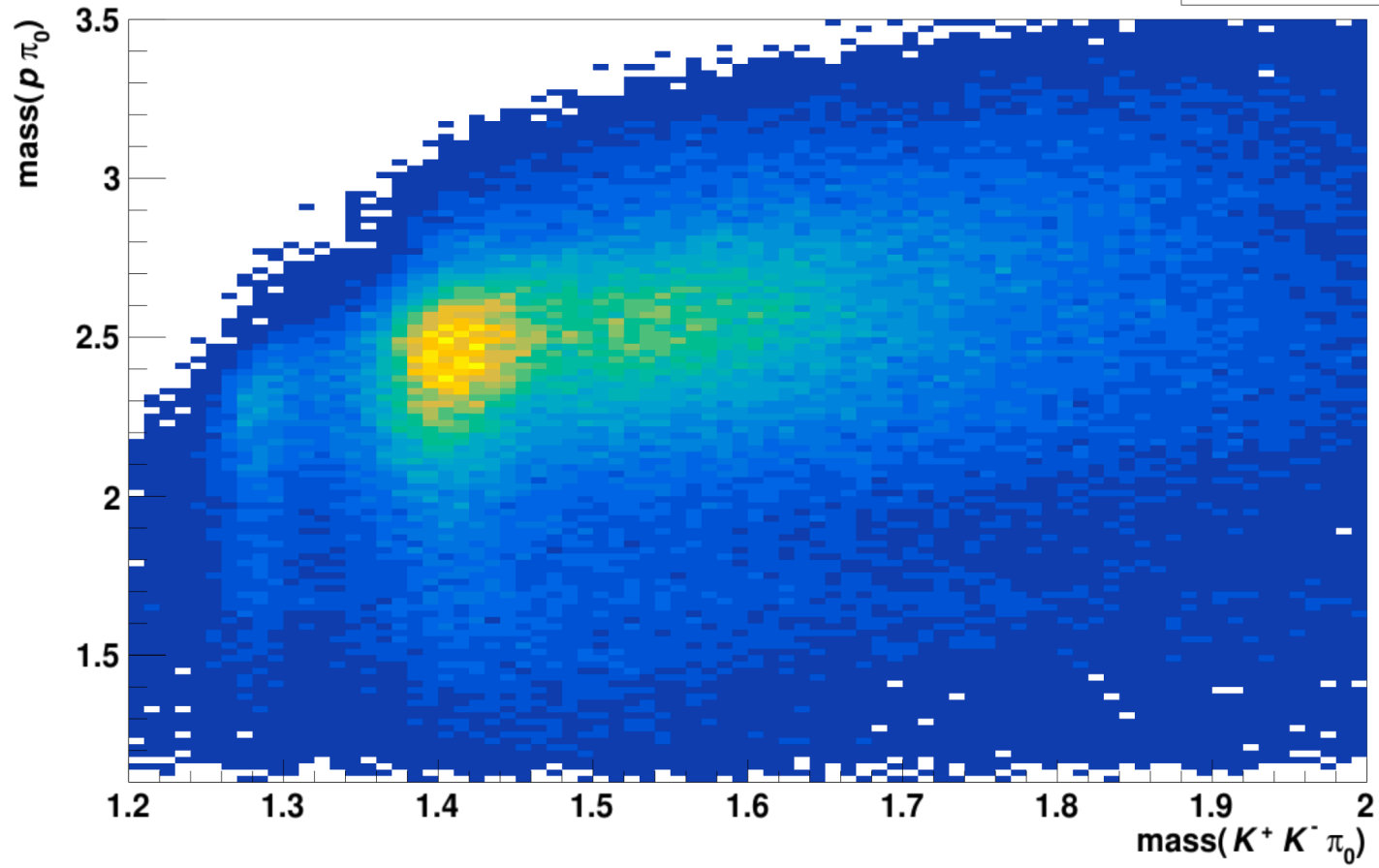
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$\rho \pi_0$

no cuts

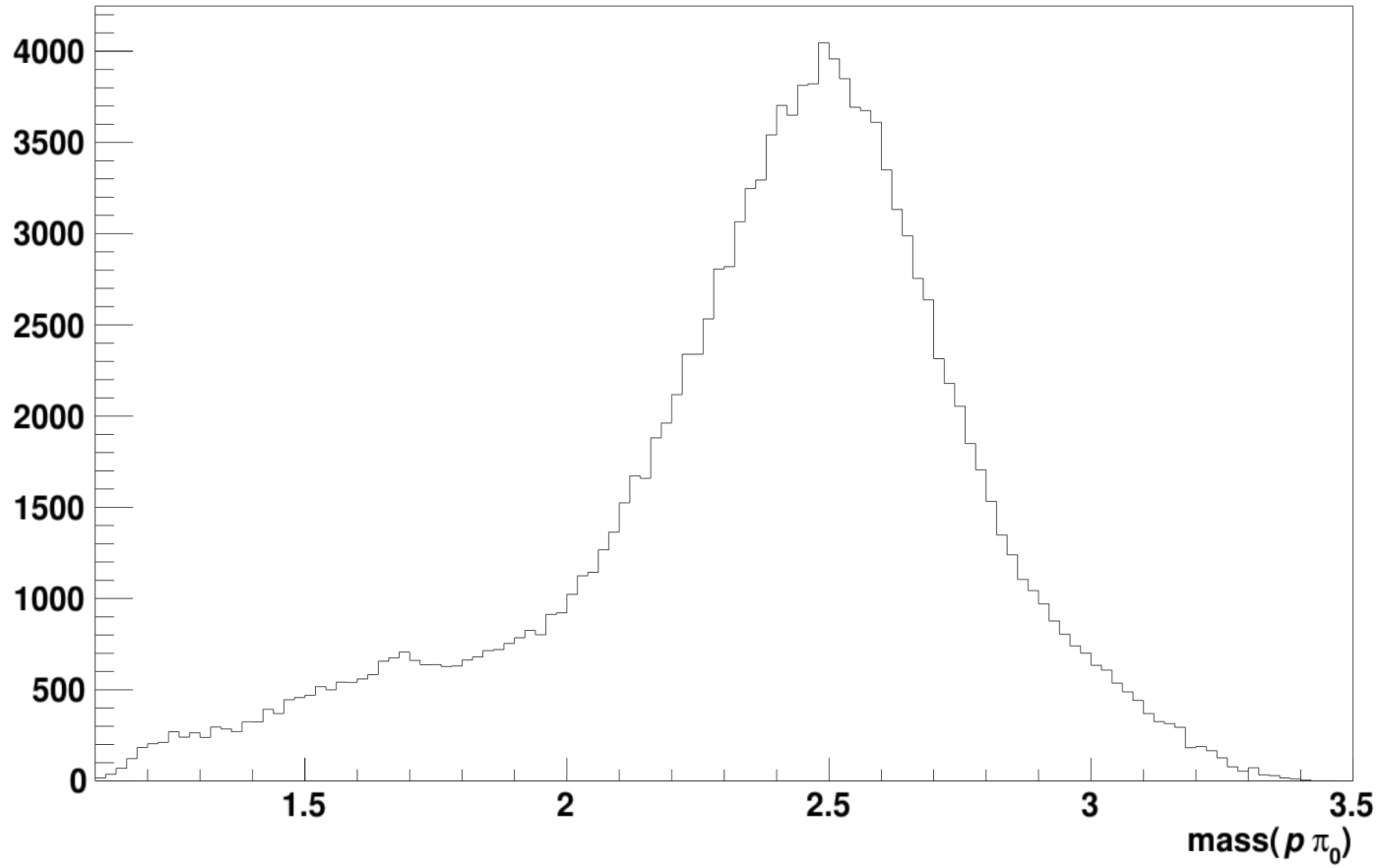
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$\rho \pi_0$

K^* required

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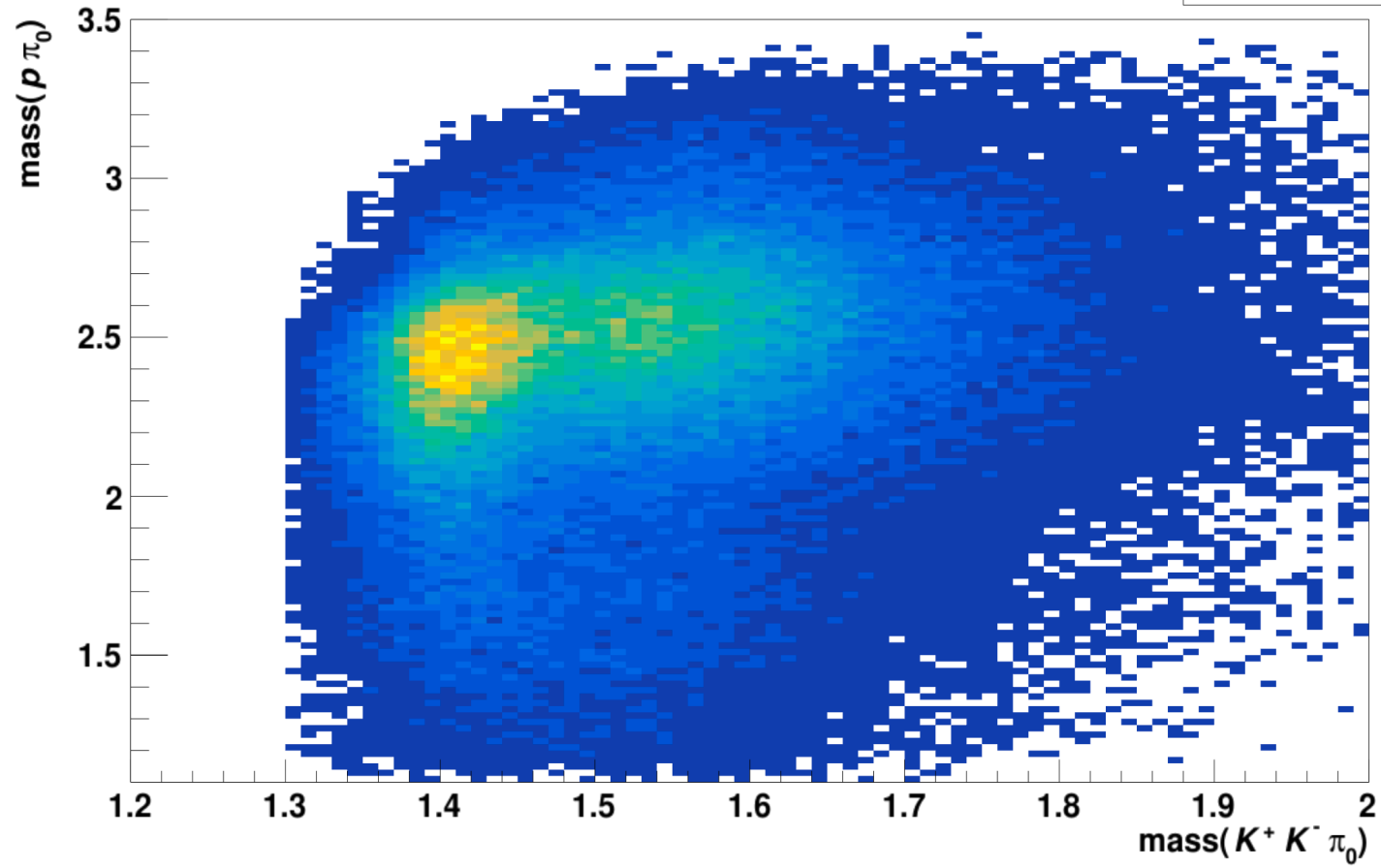


$p \pi_0$

K^* required

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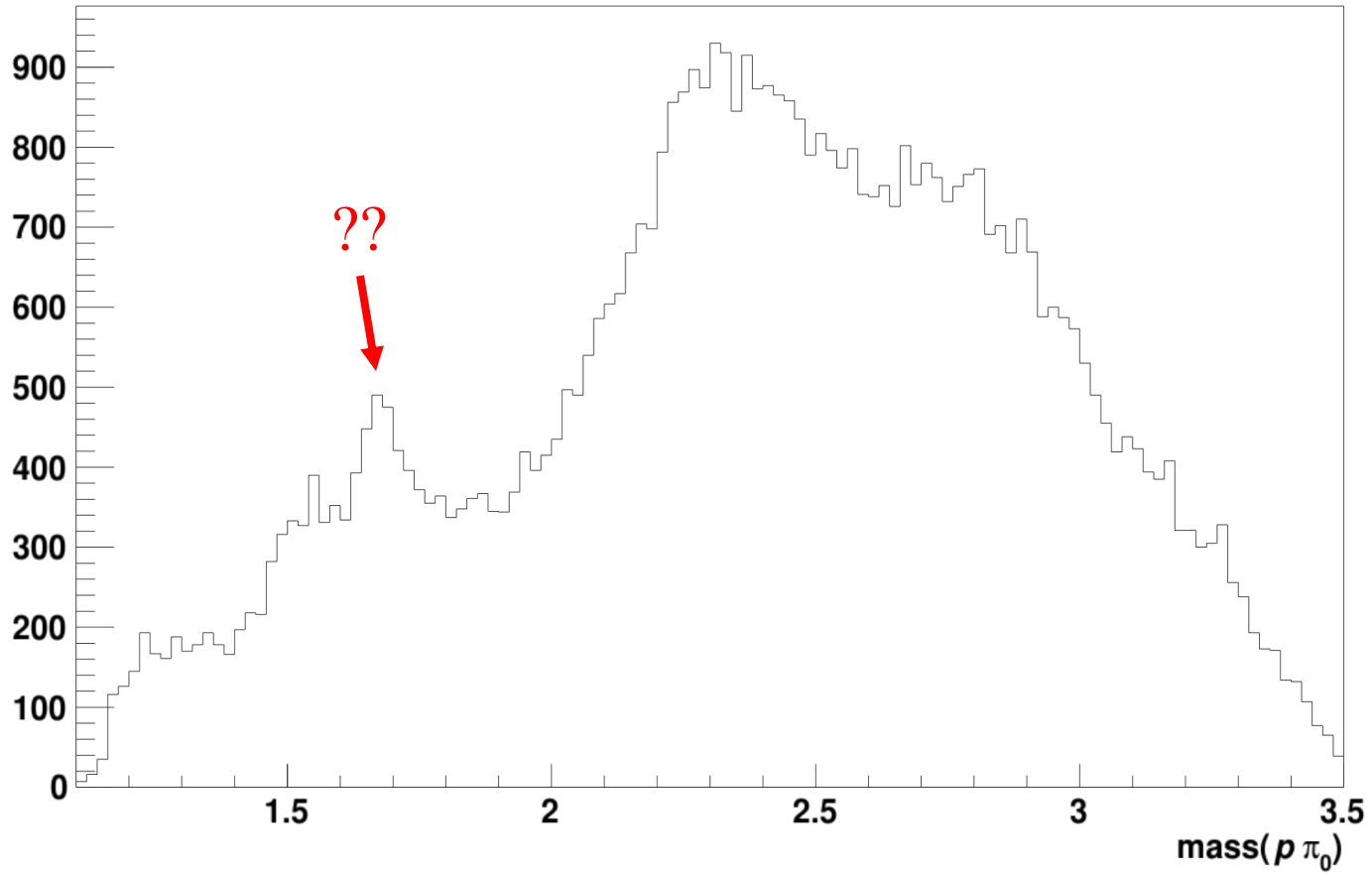
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$p \pi_0$

K^* excluded

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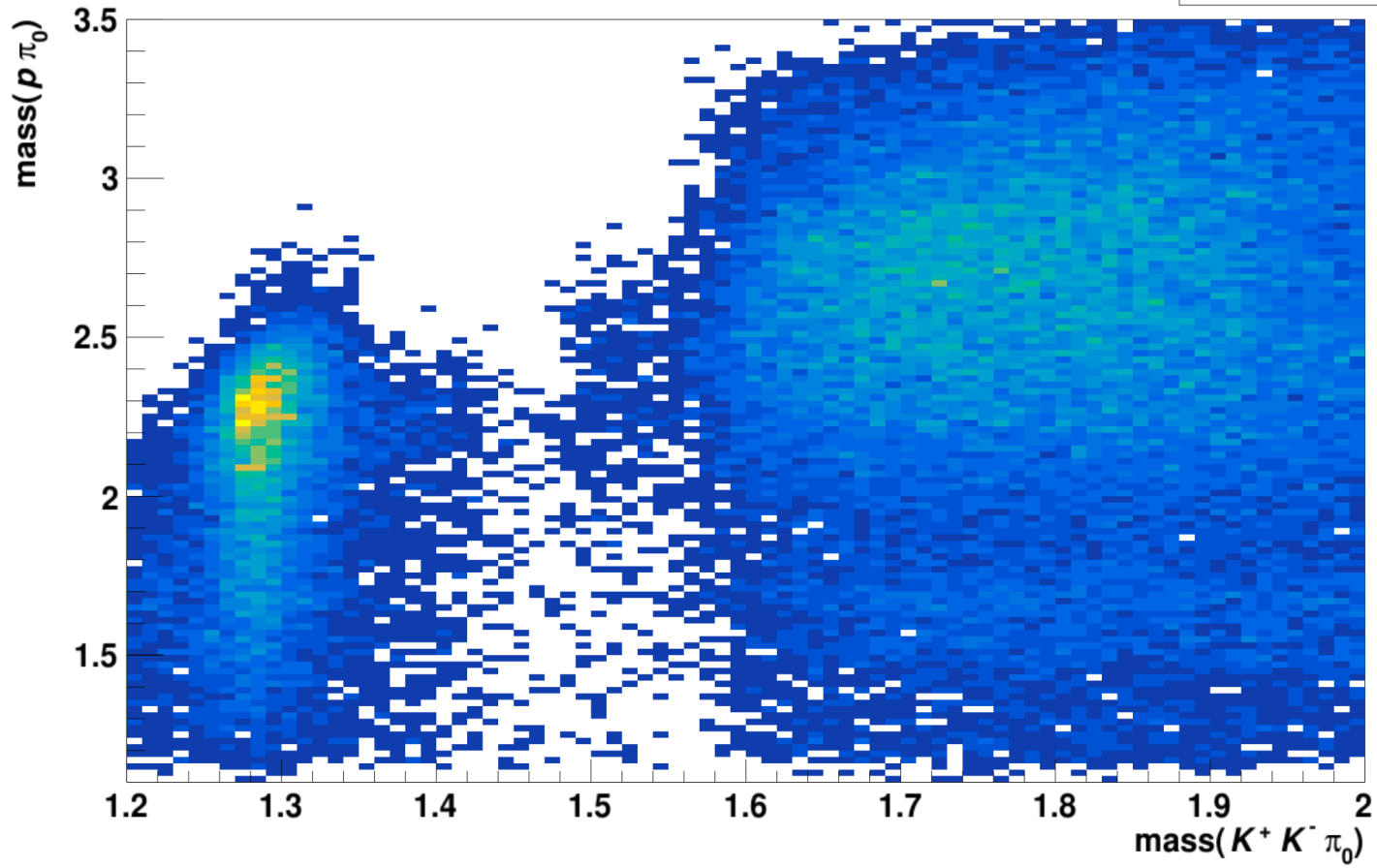


$\rho \pi_0$

K^* excluded

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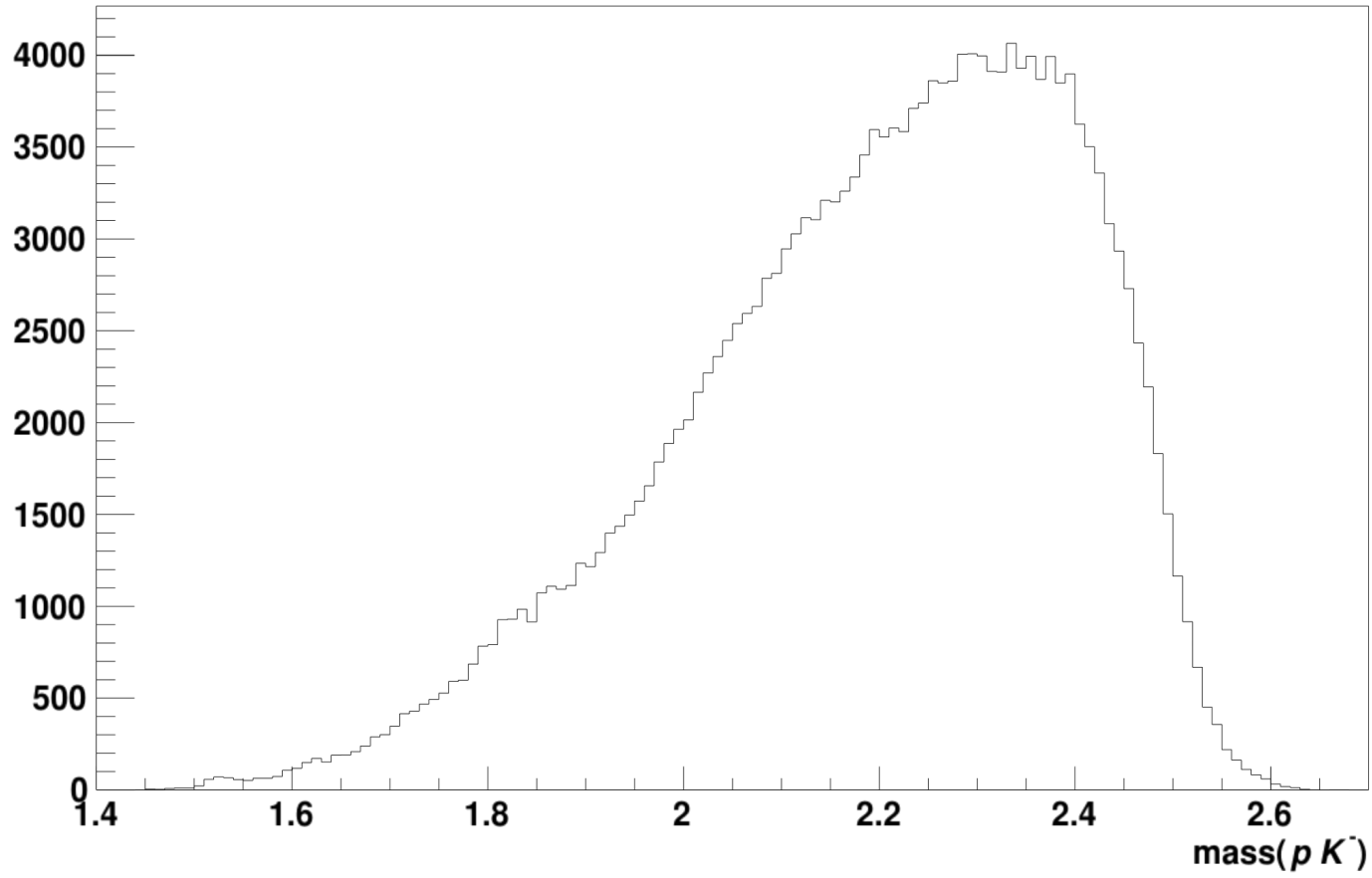
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$p K^-$

no cuts

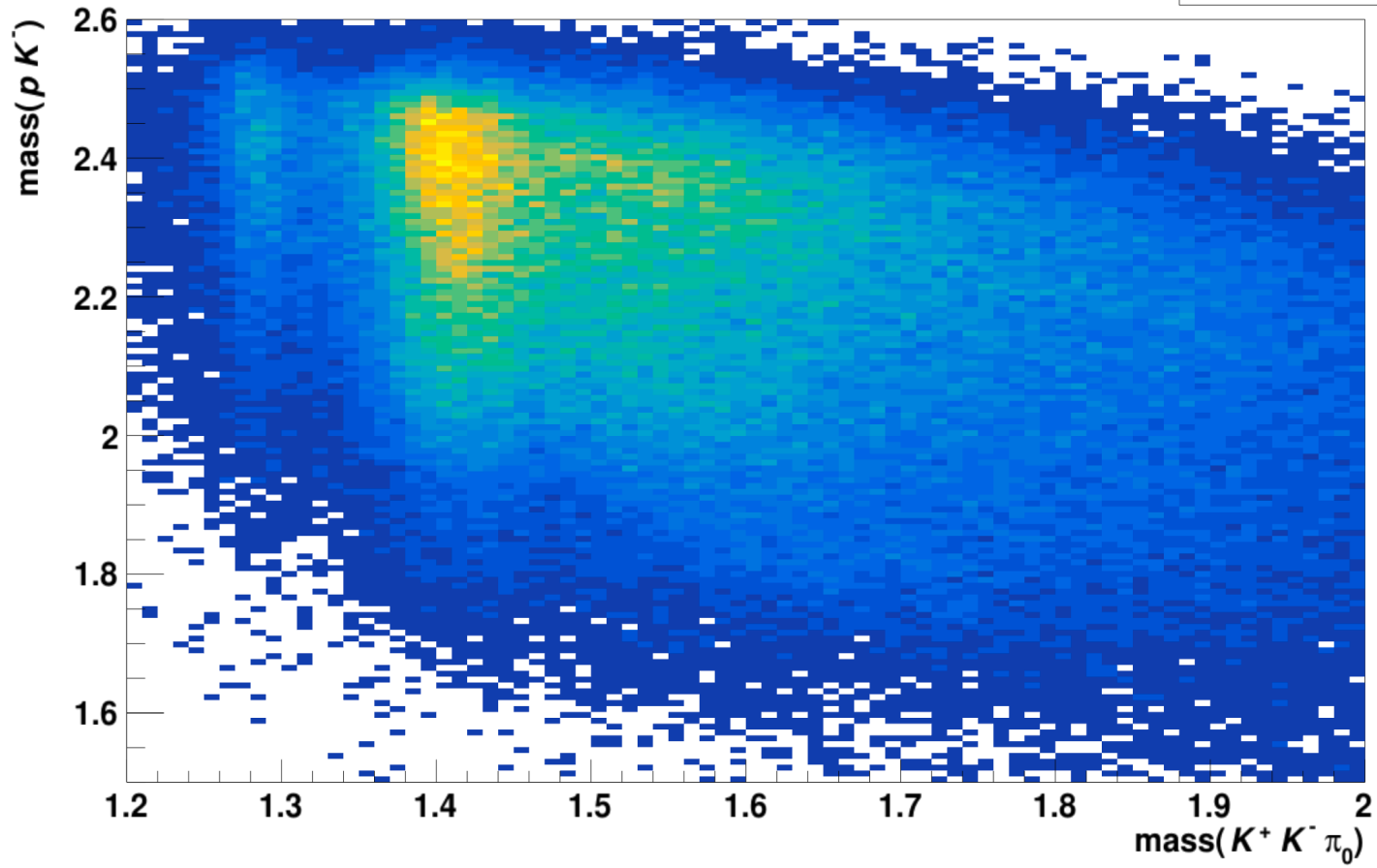
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$p K^-$

no cuts

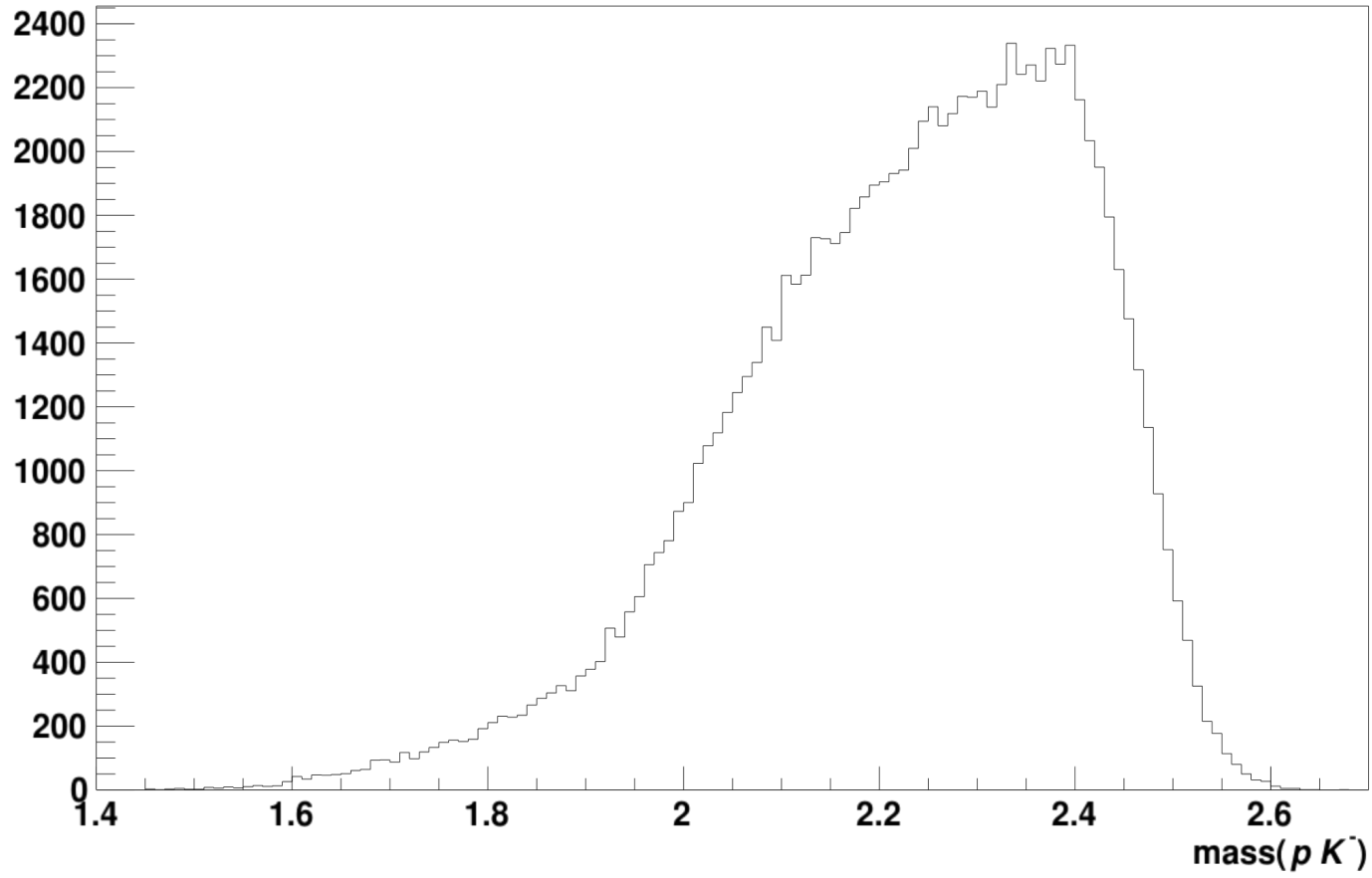
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$p K^-$

K^{*-} required

h1_p_Km_yes_KStarMinus
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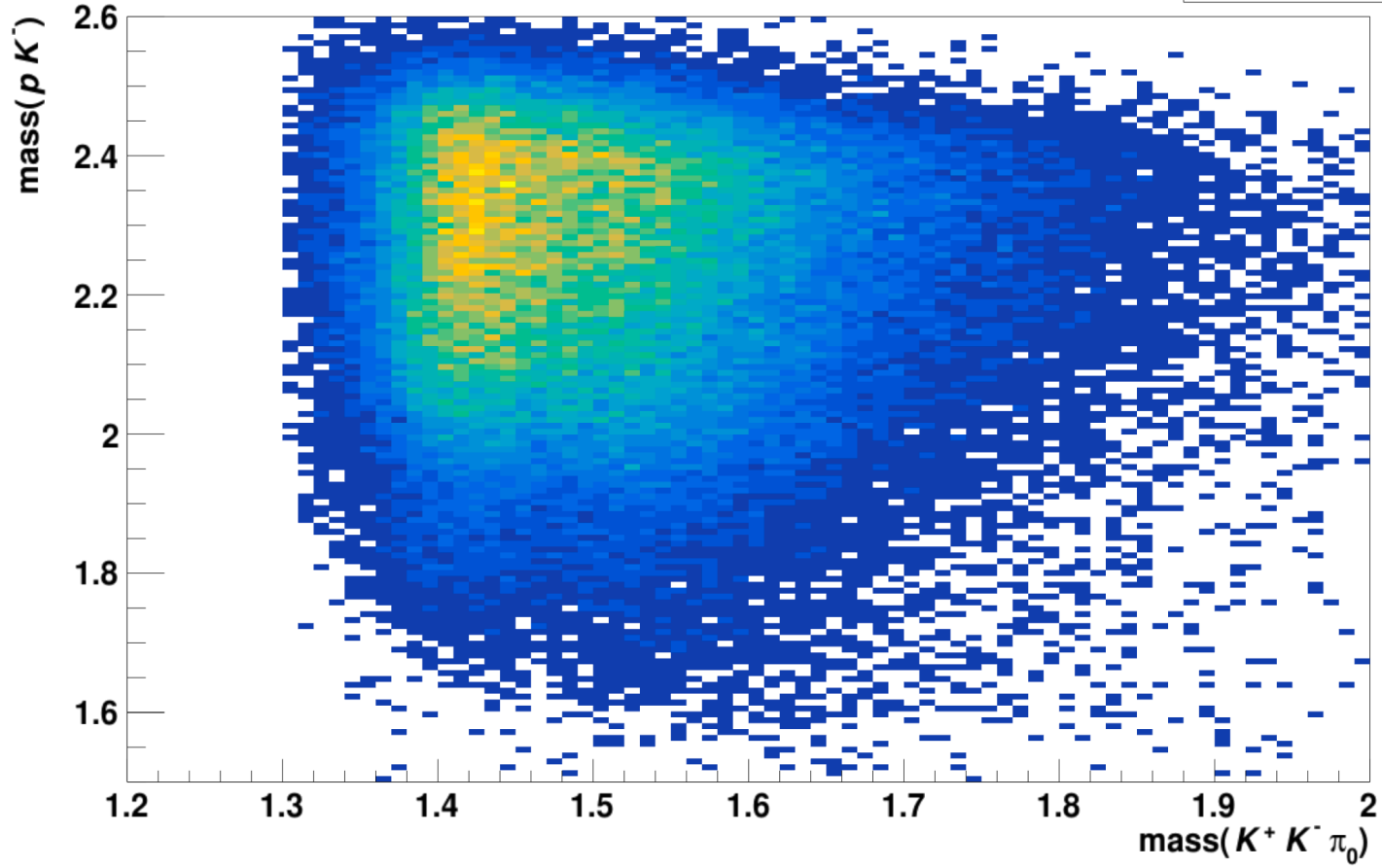


$p K^-$

K^{*-} required

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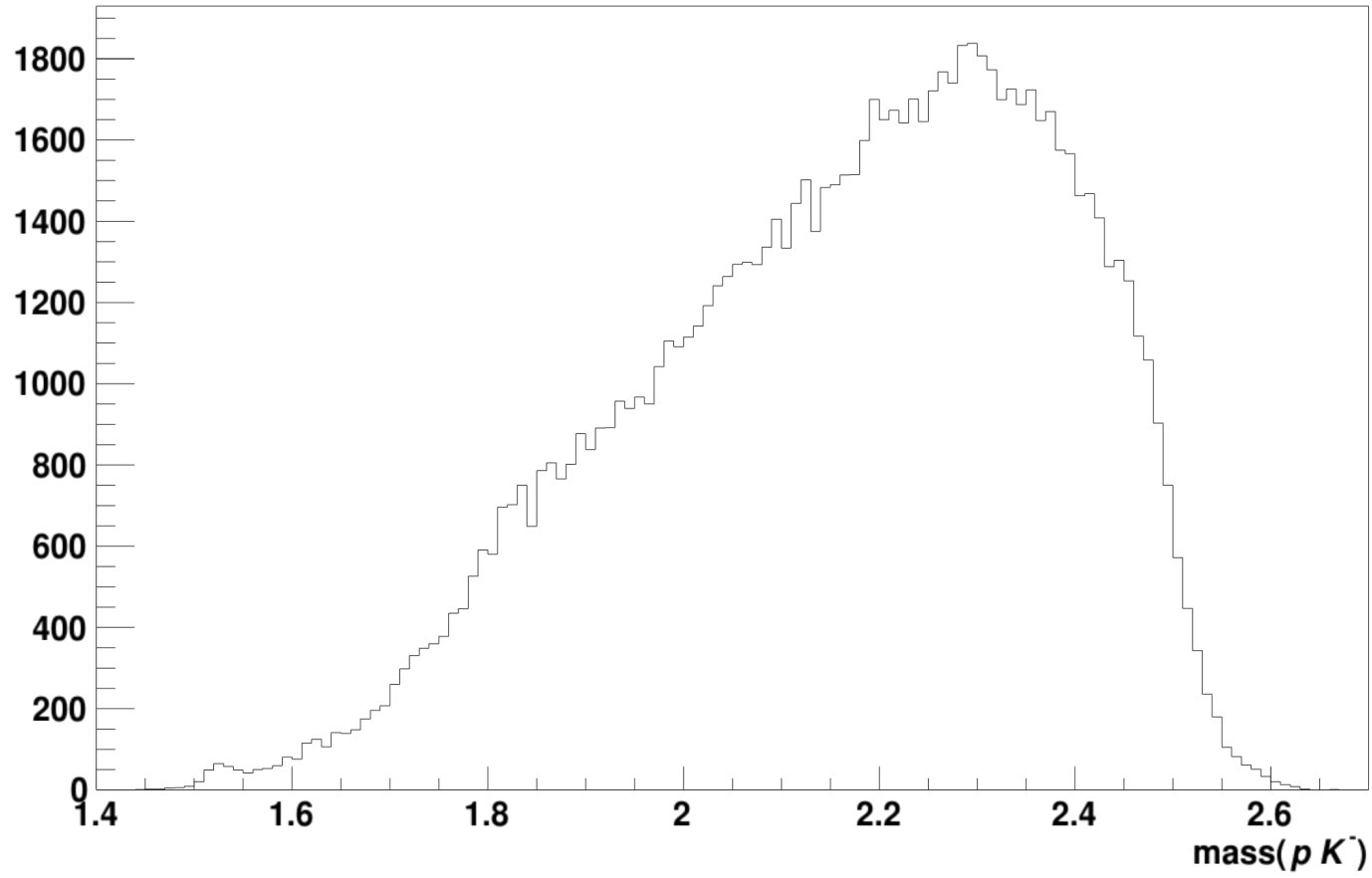
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$p K^-$

K^{*-} excluded

h1_p_Km_no_KStarMinus
Entries 98827

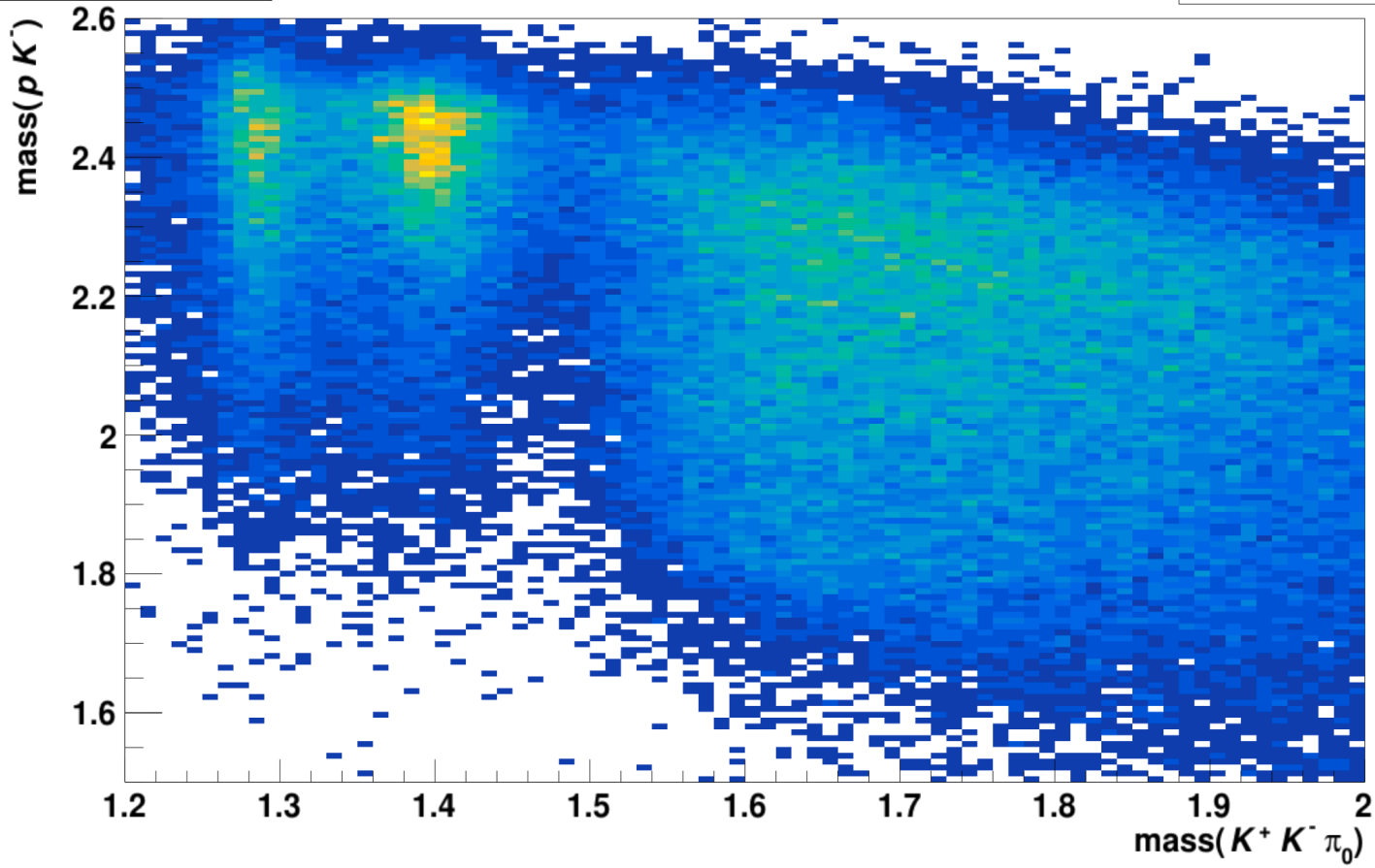


$p K^-$

K^{*-} excluded

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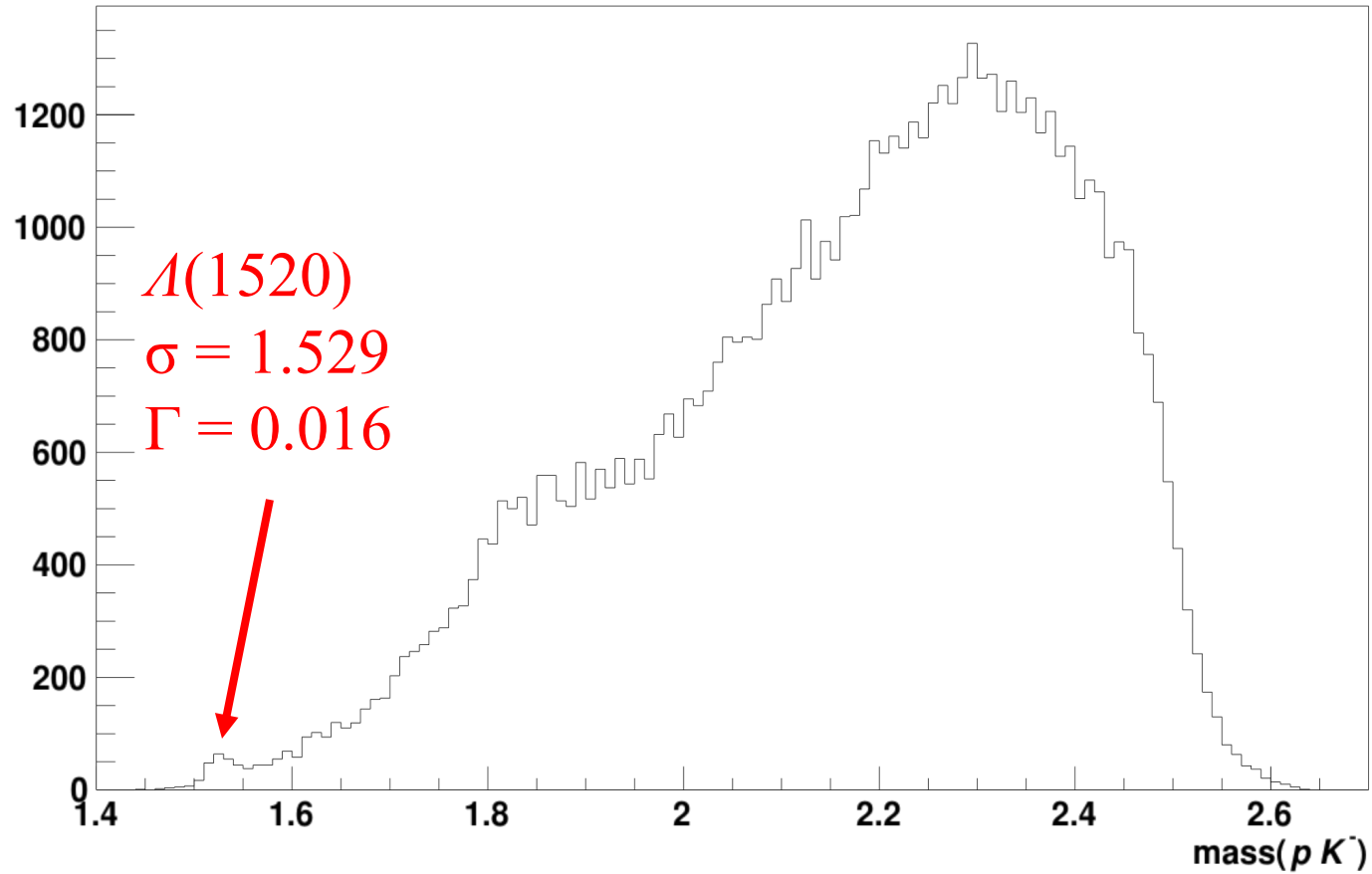
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$p K^-$

K^* excluded, $\phi(1020)$ excluded

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Entries 67969

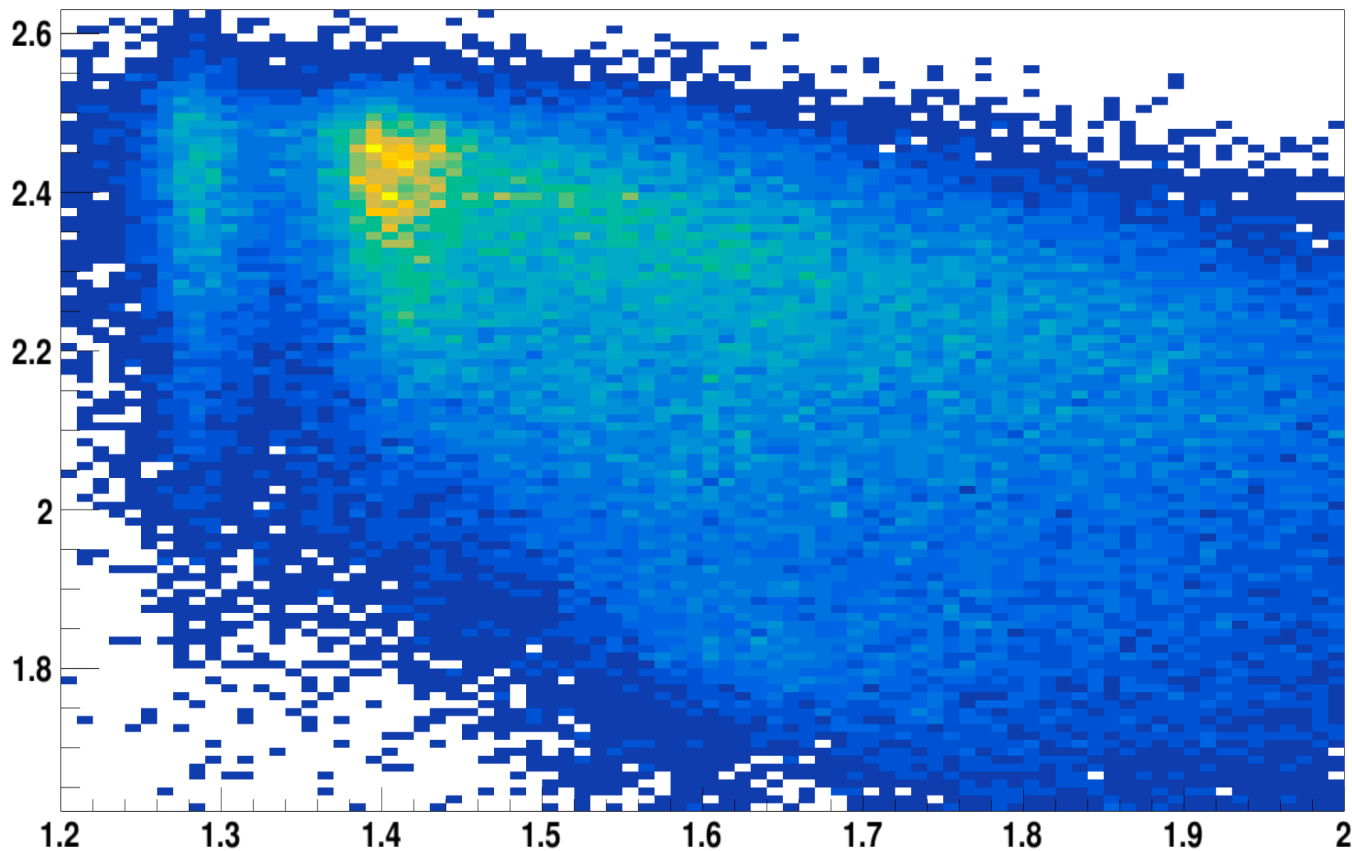


No K^{*-} or $\phi(1020)$

mass($p K^-$) v. mass($K^+ K^- \pi_0$)

h2_p_Km_v_Kp_Km_pi0

Entries 89042



Updates for next time: wave set selection

- Test statistics (likelihood ratio test, Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), and Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)) are considered on a per-mass-bin basis
- The likelihood ratios of different fits, for a given bin, are now compared to a χ^2 distribution with the correct degrees of freedom

