

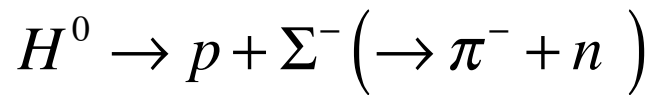
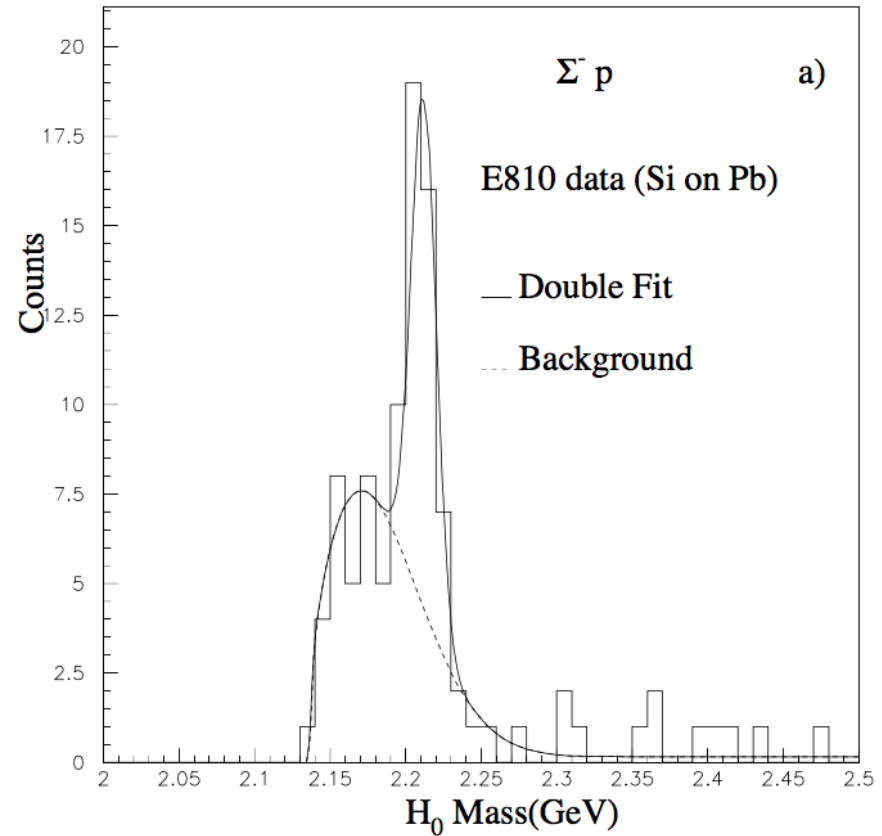
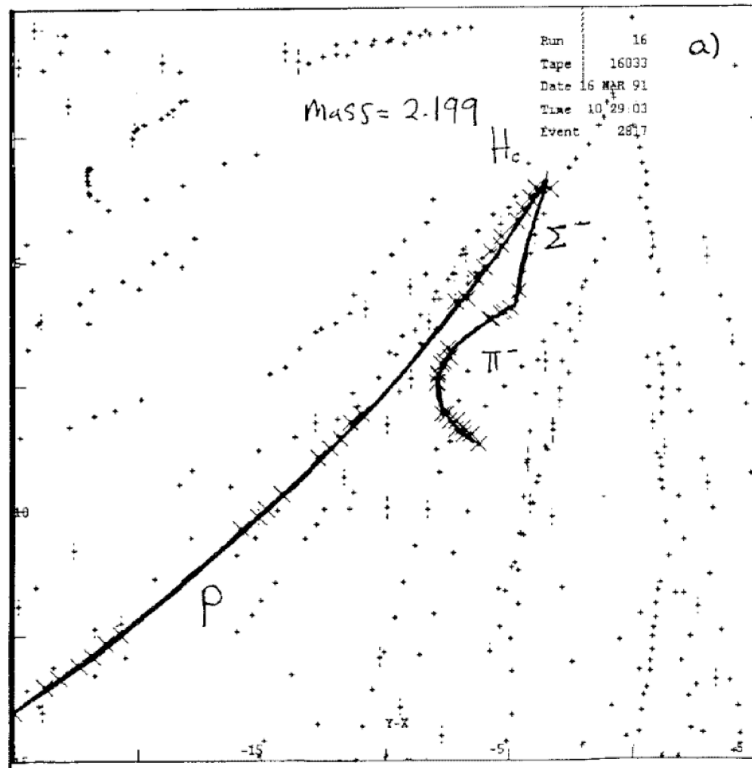
Thoughts on Exotic Searches at STAR

(with HLT + HFT + KFParticle on Phi card)

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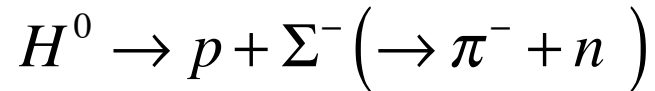


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τ for $H^0 \sim 4$ cm (theoretical prediction)

τ for Σ^- 4.4 cm

It is challenging

(without SSD) For Σ^- to be measured, it has to live long enough so it has hits in two pixel | and IST. The prob. For that is $\sim 7\%$. The Prob. For H^0 to decay before it reaches the inner layer of pixels is $\sim 46\%$. Combining both, the efficiency due to acceptance is on the order of a few percent.

(with SSD)

However, we have billions of events.

Taking the estimated yield $\sim x10^{-2}$ [PRC 84, 064910 (2011)], we can see 10^{-4} per event. With billions of events, we have a chance to see H^0 if it exists.



Six-quark state : H_c^{++} (qqqqsc dibaryon)

$$H_c^{++} \rightarrow p + \Xi_c^+ (\rightarrow \Lambda K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)$$

Weak Decay.

Mass \sim 3406 MeV.

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Five-quark state : Θ_{cs} (q q q s cbar)

~~$\Theta_{cs} \rightarrow p + \phi + \pi^-$~~ (checked by E791 experiment at Fermilab PRL 81 44 (1998))

~~$\Theta_{cs} \rightarrow K^{*0} + K^- + p$~~ (checked by E791 experiment at Fermilab PLB 448 303 (1999))

$\Theta_{cs} \rightarrow p + \eta + \pi^-$

$\Theta_{cs} \rightarrow \Lambda + K^+ + \pi^- + \pi^-$ (possible at STAR)

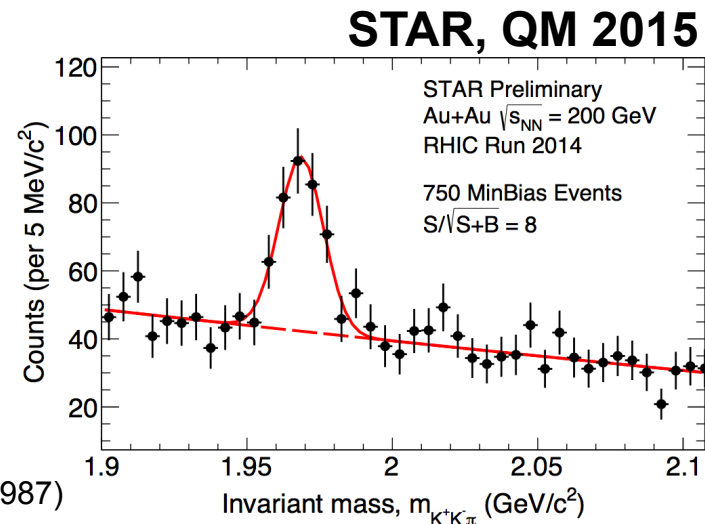
$\Theta_{cs} \rightarrow \Lambda + D^-$ (possible at STAR)

Mass 2920-2930 MeV
Strong decay

H.J. Lipkin, PLB 195 484 (1987)

C. Gignoux, B. Silvestre-Brac, and J.M. Richard, PLB 193 323 (1987)

FYI, Θ^+ (uuddsbar) disproved
 Λ_b^0 (uudccbar) found by LHCb



- Decay Channel : $D_s^\pm \longrightarrow \phi (\longrightarrow K^+K^-) + \pi^\pm$
- Branching Ratio: 2.32 ± 0.14 %
- Decay Length : 150 ± 2 μ m
- Mass : 1968.47 ± 0.33 MeV/c²



Four-quark state : T_{cc}^1 (u d cbar cbar)

$$T_{cc}^1 \rightarrow D^{*-} \bar{D}^0$$

$$T_{cc}^1 \rightarrow D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^-$$

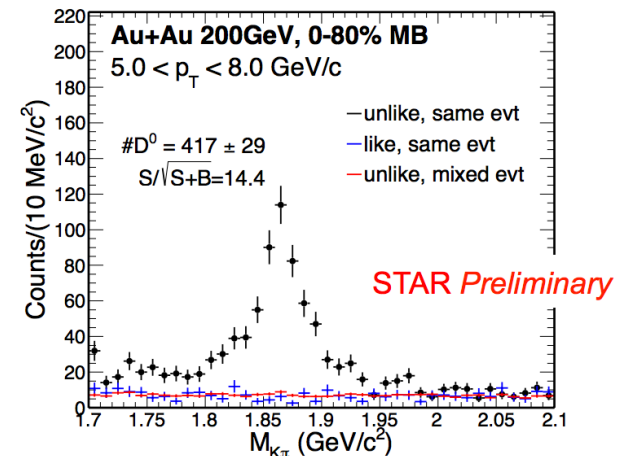
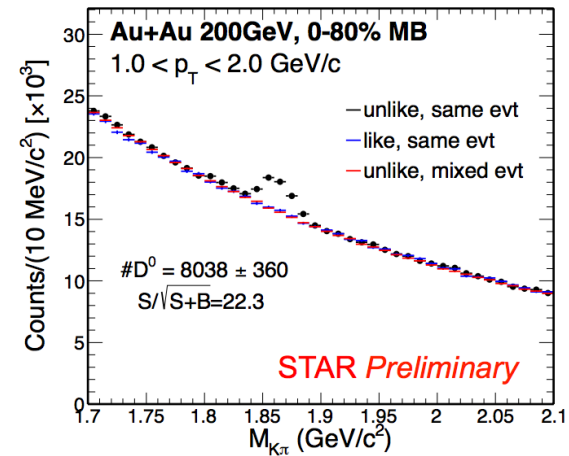
Mass 3796 MeV

Strong decay

Predicted yield at RHIC $\sim 10^{-6}$ /evt

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$$D^0(\bar{D}^0) \rightarrow K^\mp \pi^\pm$$

B.R. 3.9% $c\tau \sim 120 \mu\text{m}$