### PWA Model Selection using a genetic algorithm

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# Partial-Wave Analysis at COMPASS

Diffractive Dissociation in 5  $\pi$ 



No "bump hunting" by eye possible  $\Rightarrow$  Partial-Wave Analysis (PWA):  $J^{P}$ -Decomposition of mass spectrum using angular distribution

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## Partial-Wave Analysis at COMPASS

### Partial-Wave Analysis

• Parametrisation of cross section (simplified):

$$\sigma( au) = \sigma_0 \sum_{i,j}^{Waves} 
ho_{ij}(m_X) \phi_i( au) \phi_j( au)^*$$

- 11-dimensional maximum likelihood fit to experimental kinematic distributions
- For the calculation the sum over all waves has to be truncated
- Truncation introduces systematic errors
- Optimal model for truncation has to be found

#### Partial-Wave Analysis at COMPASS Partial-Wave Analysis

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Spin Density Matrix



## Partial-Wave Analysis at COMPASS

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#### Model Requirements

- The model should describe the data well
- Interpretation of parameters should be as small as possible
- Orrelations between parameters should be minimal

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#### Model Selection

- Traditional way:
  - Compare log(likelihood) for different truncations
  - Use physical arguments and preexisting knowledge
  - Trial and error
- Introduces bias
- Has no methodical handle on systematic errors
- Too many possibilities for 5  $\pi$  case
- $\Rightarrow$  Use an algorithm for model selection

# Genetic Algorithm for Model Selection

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### Working Principle



# Genetic Algorithm for Model Selection



#### Goodness-of-Fit Criterion

- Log(likelihood) alone cannot be used to quantify model quality, since more parameters tend to give better log(likelihood)
- Use Bayes' theorem to judge model quality
  - Evidence  $\approx$  Best fit likelihood  $\cdot$  Occam factor  $P(Data|M_k) \approx P(Data|A_{ML}^k, M_k) \cdot P(A_{ML}^k|M_k) \sigma_{A^k|Data}$
- Additional factor to supress small waves with large errors is introduced
- A number of approximations are needed to calculate this

# Genetic Algorithm for Model Selection



#### **Optimization Criteria**

- Full search space has to be explored: After a short starting phase the average evidence should fluctuate around constant well below maximum evidence
- As few as possible created models should be invalid (for example due to not converging fits)
- Final result should be (close to) optimal solution: Manually improvement should not be possible





#### Conditions

- Data from COMPASS 2004 hadron pilot run
- Use a pool of 284 Waves
- Run 100 generations with 50 models each



#### **First Results**



 Waveset size optimizes around 34 waves

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• Finally chosen waveset contains 31 waves





#### **First Results**



- Average evidence varies slightly around constant not far from maximum(1834 · 10<sup>3</sup>)
- Currently only between 16 and 32% of the created models are valid
- Simple manual breeding step can still increase final result





#### Conclusion

- A genetic algorithm for model selection has been implemented in the framework of the ROOTPWA toolkit: ( http://sourceforge.net/projects/rootpwa/ )
- A first partial-wave analysis using the algorithm has been performed
- The algorithm converged to a finite number of waves in the model
- High congruence between TOP 20 models
- ⇒ Goodness-of-Fit Criterion works



#### Outlook

- Tuning of algorithm parameters and selection/mutation methods
- Tests of results with simulated dataset
- Transfer to other decay channels

Backup



#### PWA formula

$$\sigma(\tau) = \sigma_0 \sum_{\epsilon=-1}^{1} \sum_{i,j}^{Waves} \rho_{ij}^{\epsilon}(m_X) \phi_i^{\epsilon}(\tau) \phi_j^{\epsilon}(\tau)^*$$
  
Spin density matrix:  $\rho_{ij}^{\epsilon}(m_X) = \sum_{r=1}^{Ranks} T_{ir}^{\epsilon} T_{jr}^{\epsilon*}$ 





### Evidence

$$\begin{aligned} \ln P(Data|M_k) &= \ln P(Data|A_{ML}^k, M_k) - \ln V_A^k + \ln \sqrt{(2\pi)^d |C_{A^k|Data}|} + \sum_a^{Waves} \ln S_a \\ \text{Dimension: } d &= \text{number of real parameters} \\ &= 2 \cdot \text{number of complex parameters} \\ \text{Significance: } S_a &= \int_{5\sigma_a}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{x - |T_a|^2}{2\sigma_a^2} \right] dx \\ \text{Probability of the intensity of wave to be more than } 5\sigma \\ \text{larger than zero} \end{aligned}$$
Parameter volume:  $V_A^k = d \frac{\pi^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{d}{2}+1)} r^{d-1} \\ (d-1) \cdot \text{dimensional hypersphere with radius} \\ r &= \sqrt{N_{events}} \\ (\text{neglecting interference between waves}) \end{aligned}$ 





#### Interpretation of Evidence

Evidence not normalised  $\Rightarrow$  No absolut interpretation Relative intepretation  $\Rightarrow$  Bayes-Faktor:  $B_{10} = \frac{P(Data|M_1)}{P(Data|M_0)}$ 

$\ln B_{10}$	$B_{10}$	Evidence
0 to 1	1 to 3	Not worth mentioning
1 to 3	3 to 20	Positive
3 to 5	20 to 150	Strong
$\geq$ 5	$\geq$ 150	Very strong