

Heavy Flavour Physics at ATLAS

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Outline

- The ATLAS detector

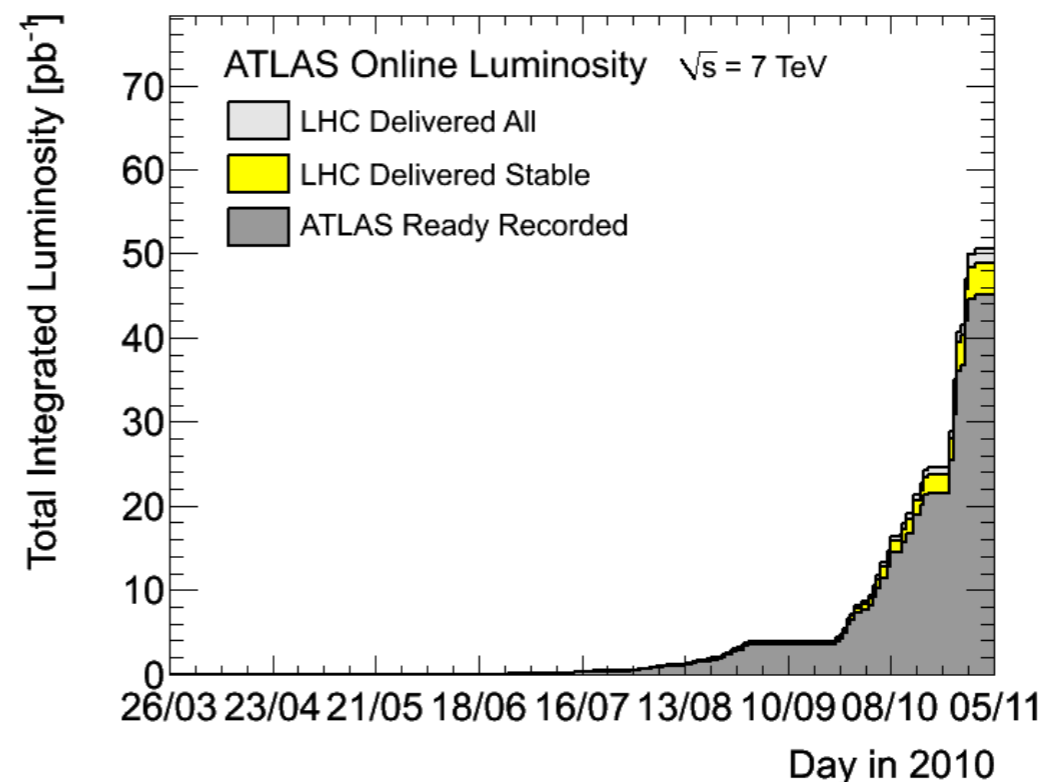
- Observation of Charmonium, Upsilon & charm states
 - ATL-COM-PHY- 2010-034, ATLAS-CONF-2011-017

- Inclusive differential cross-section of J/ψ production

- Measurement of the fraction of non-prompt J/ψ decays, & prompt & non-prompt cross sections
 - Submitted Nuc. Phys. B

- Exclusive B-meson decays
 - ATLAS-CONF-2010-098

- Summary and Outlook

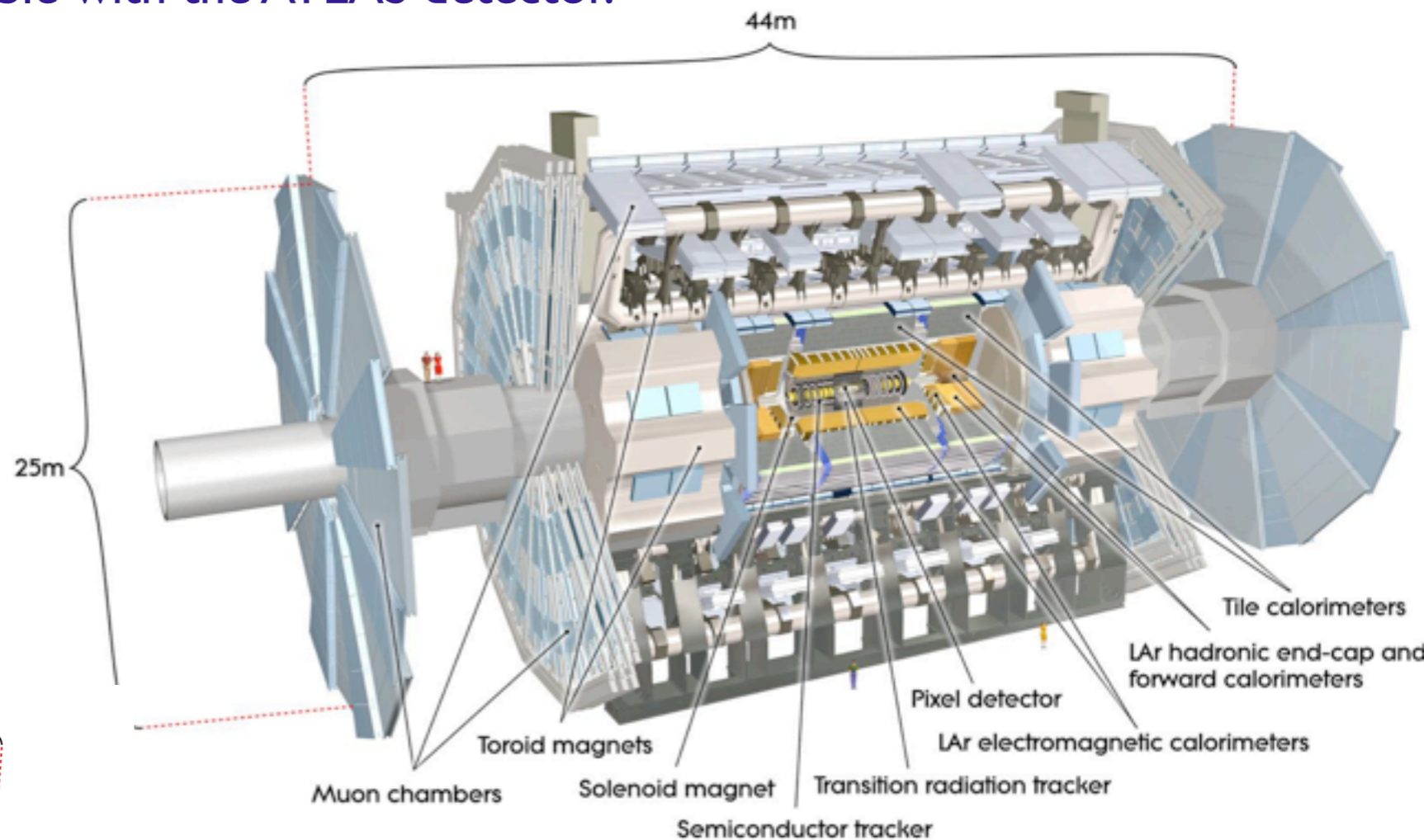
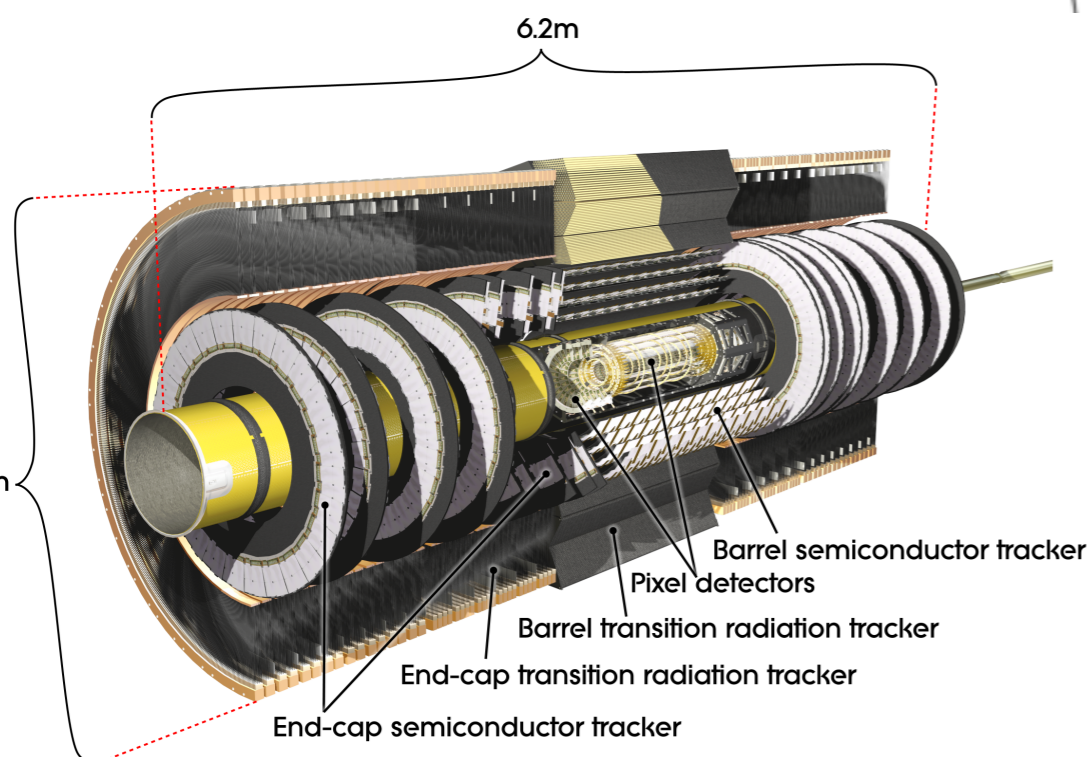


The ATLAS Detector

- For B-physics measurements, requirement on excellent tracking capabilities and muon identification available with the ATLAS detector.

• Inner Detector

- $|\eta| < 2.5$,
- Solenoid $B=2T$
- Si Pixels,
- Si strips,
- Transition Radiation Tracker (TRT)
- $\sigma/p_T \sim 3.4 \times 10^{-4} p_T + 0.015$ for $(|\eta| < 1.5)$
- Used for Tracking and Vertexing:
- Precise momentum and lifetime measurements

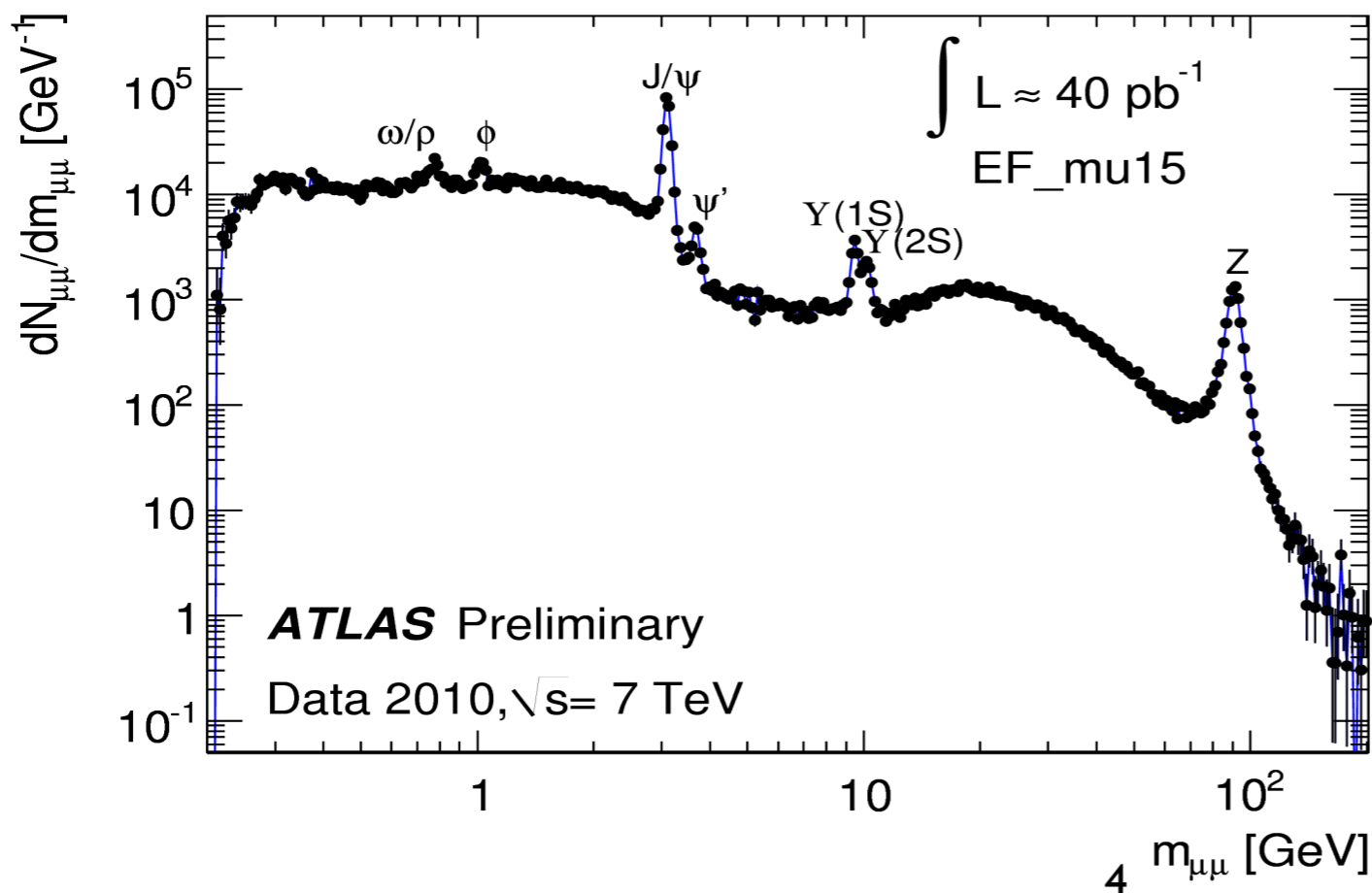
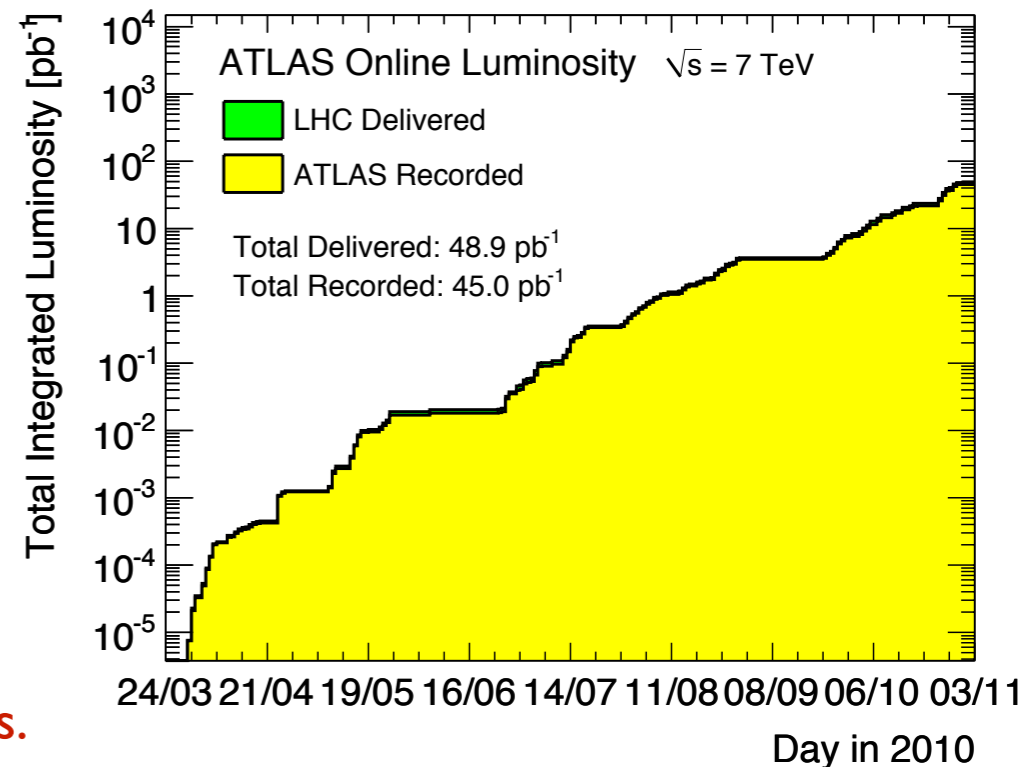


• Muon Spectrometer

- $|\eta| < 2.7$
- Toroid B-Field, average $\sim 0.5T$
- Muon Momentum resolution $\sigma/p < 10\%$ up to $\sim 1 TeV$

Muon Trigger and Performance

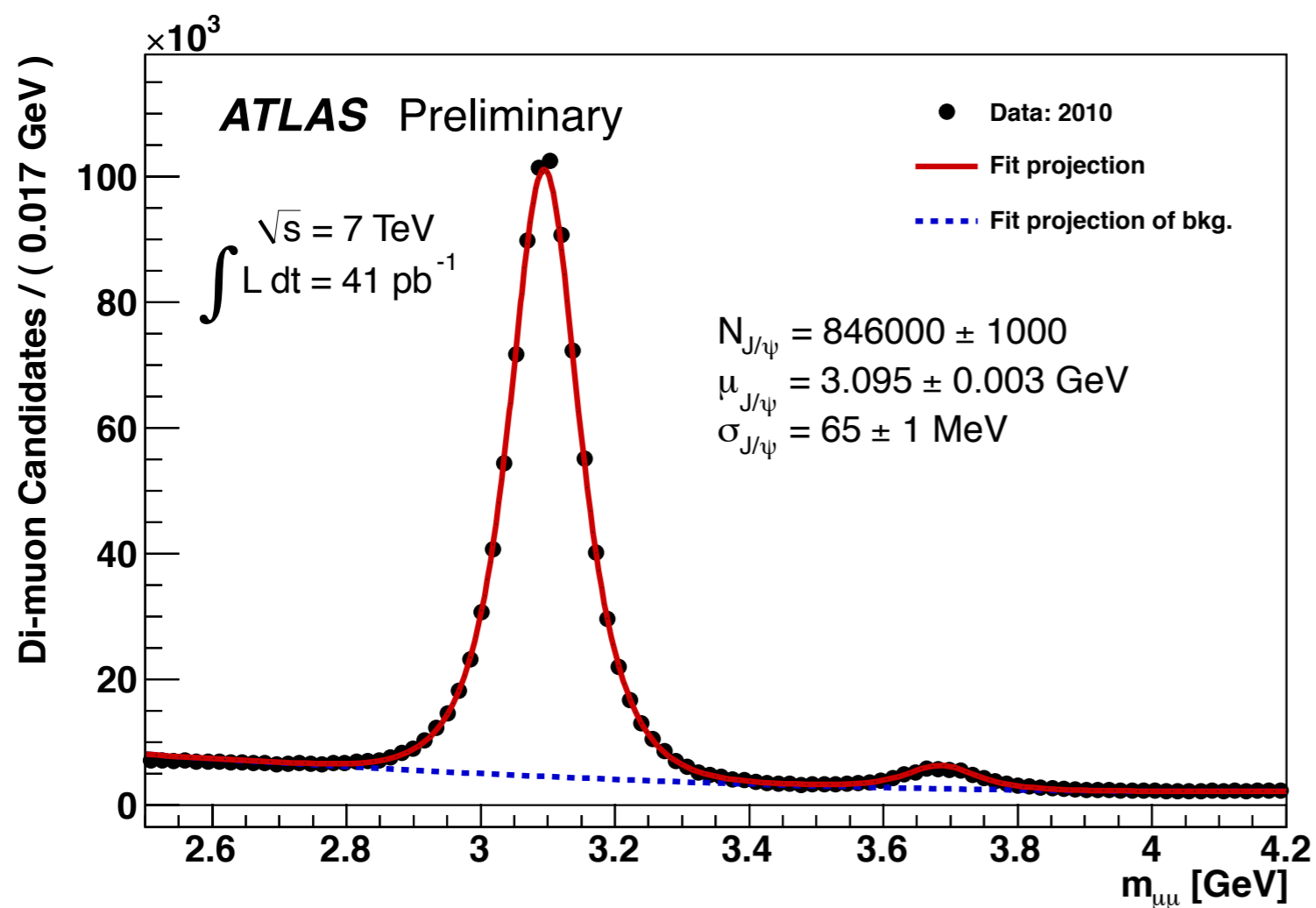
- Muon identification is key to many B-physics analyses:
 - **Clean trigger signature.**
 - Ever increasing instantaneous luminosity requires prescales & use of number of triggers to maximise statistics.
 - **(0, 4, 6 GeV p_T thresholds), single and di-muon triggers.**
 - Early period of data-taking essential to study, as access to low- p_T region.
 - **Later periods with higher instantaneous luminosities need higher threshold triggers & individual trigger studies.**
- Di-muon invariant mass distribution from ρ to Z from all good-quality recorded 2010 7 TeV pp collision data passing a $p_T > 15$ GeV muon trigger.



One muon $p_T > 15$ GeV,
other $p_T > 2.5$ GeV

Charmonium Observations

- Key signatures of B-meson decays go through Charmonium states.
 - e.g. $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)K_s$, $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)\Phi$;
- J/ψ also a 'standard candle' in commissioning and studying detector performance.
- ψ and Υ QCD production needs to be understood
- Invariant mass distribution of J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ from all recorded pp 7 TeV, 2010 data passing a suite of muon-based triggers.

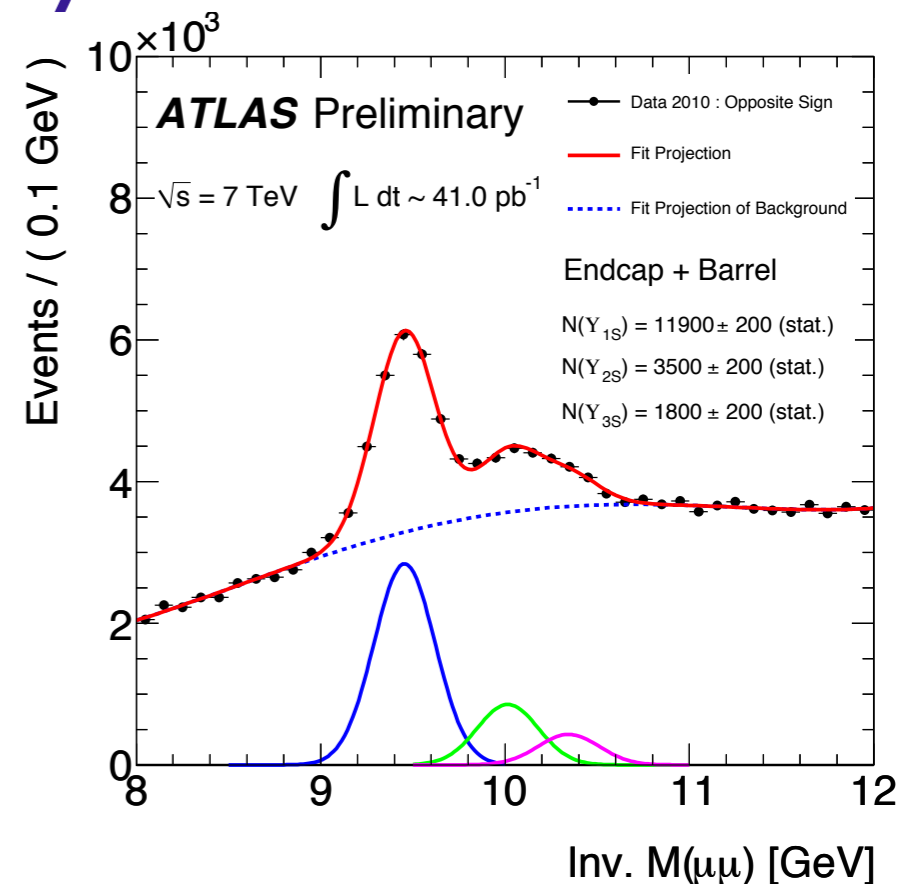


One muon $p_T > 4 \text{ GeV}$,
 other $p_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$

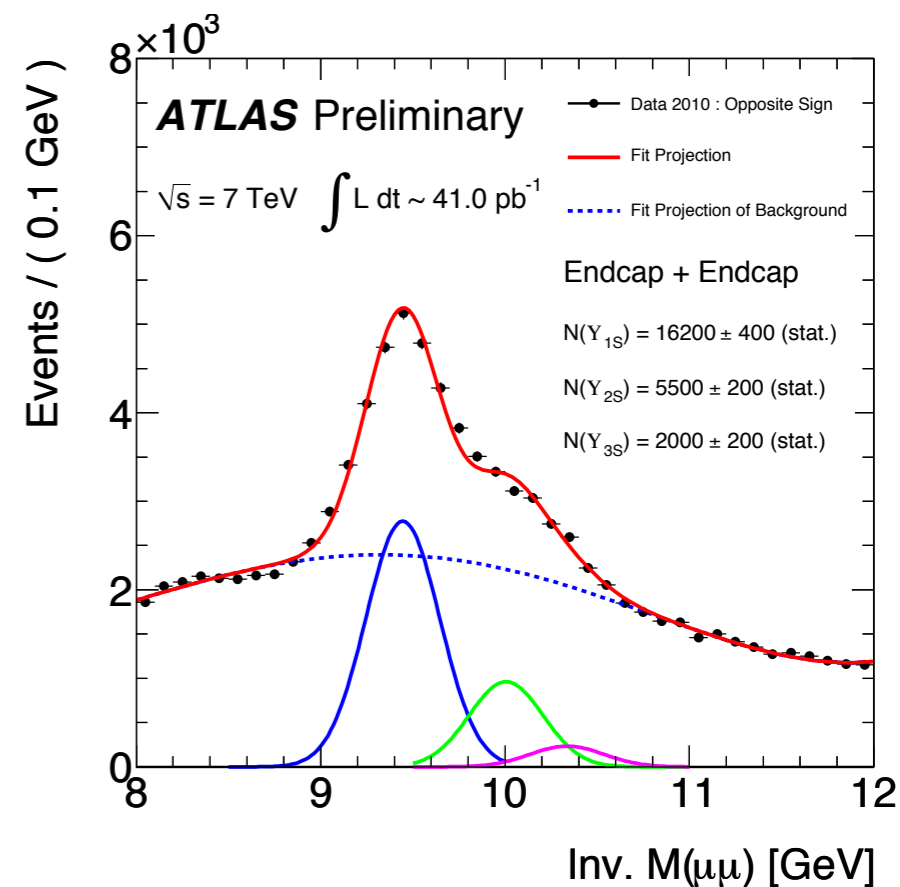
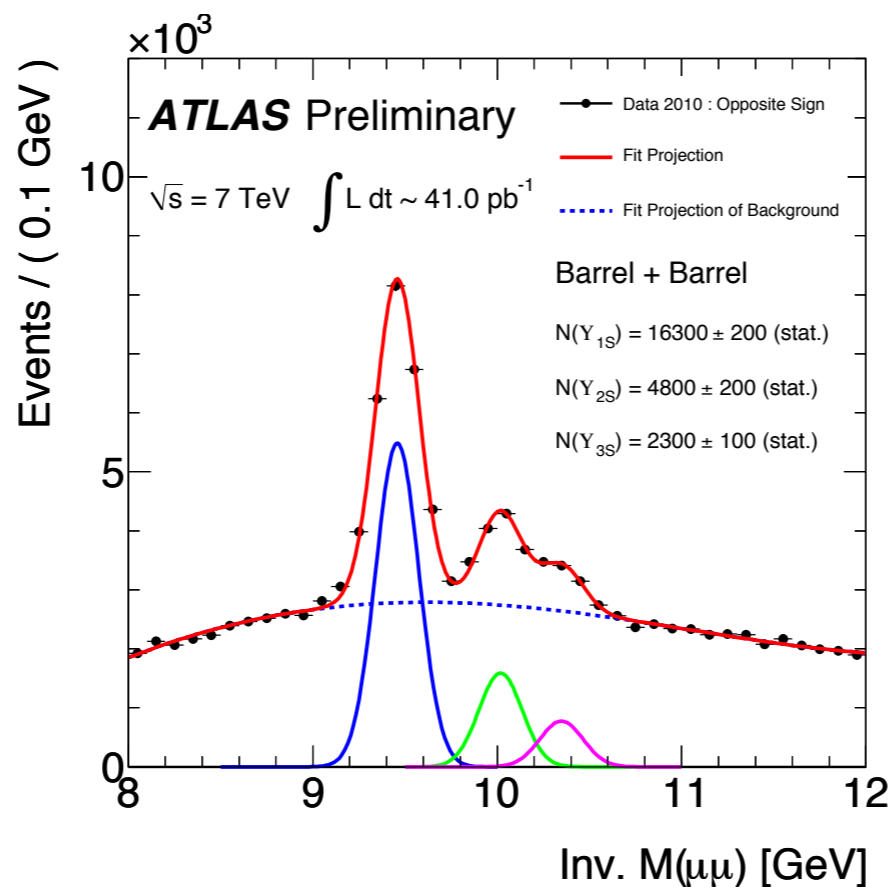
- Mass position in good agreement with PDG expectations:
- $M(J/\psi) = 3095 \pm 3 \text{ (syst.) MeV}$
- $M_{\text{PDG}} = 3096.916 \pm 0.011 \text{ MeV}$

Observation of Upsilon System

- Observation of the three Upsilon resonances separated into detector regions of muons in:
 - Barrel – Barrel, Endcap – Barrel and Endcap – Endcap.
- Full 2010 pp data passing single- or di-muon triggers, increasing p_T thresholds with increasing instantaneous luminosity.
- Muons were required to have $p_T > (2.5, 4)$ GeV and energy > 3 GeV, and to be reconstructed within a pseudo-rapidity < 2.5 .
- Extended maximum likelihood fit performed using three single Gaussians with common sigma and fixed mass-differences ΔM .

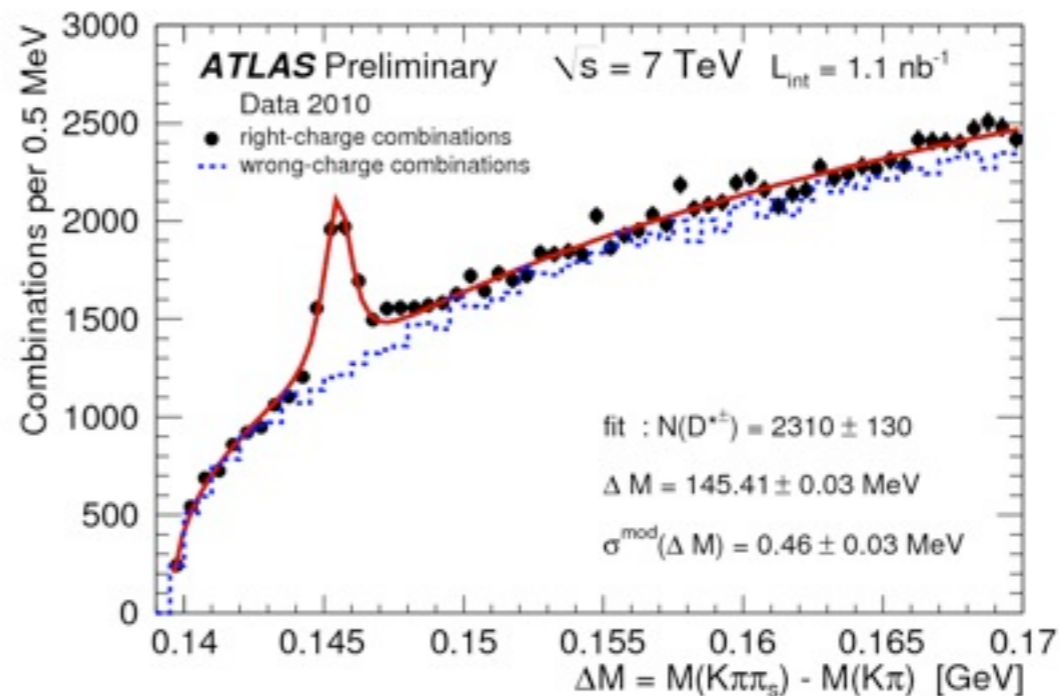
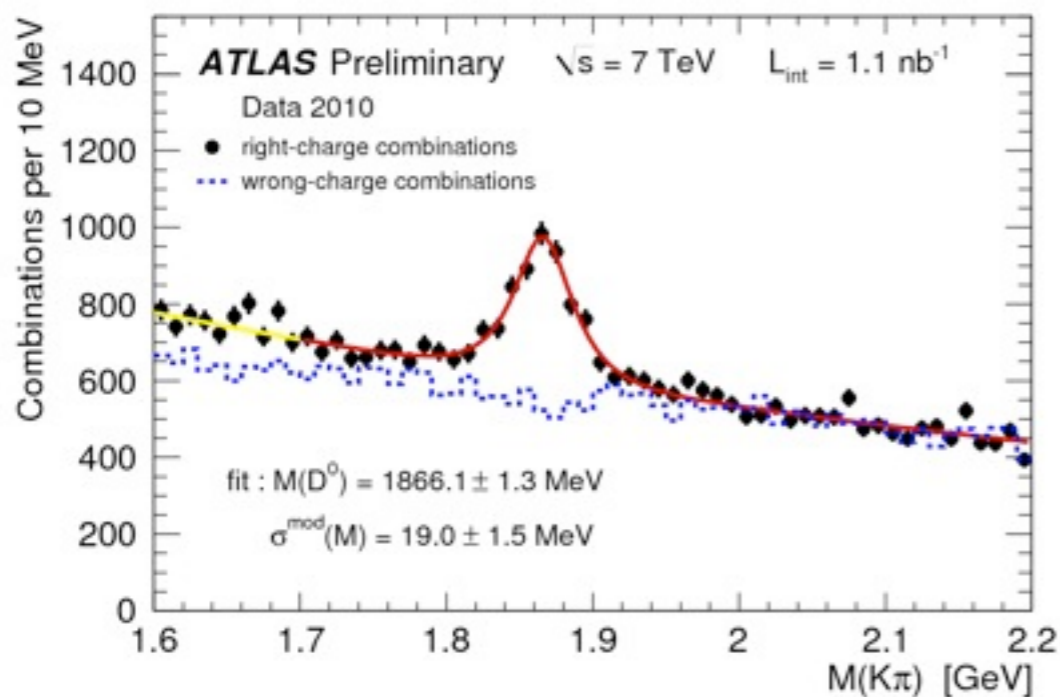
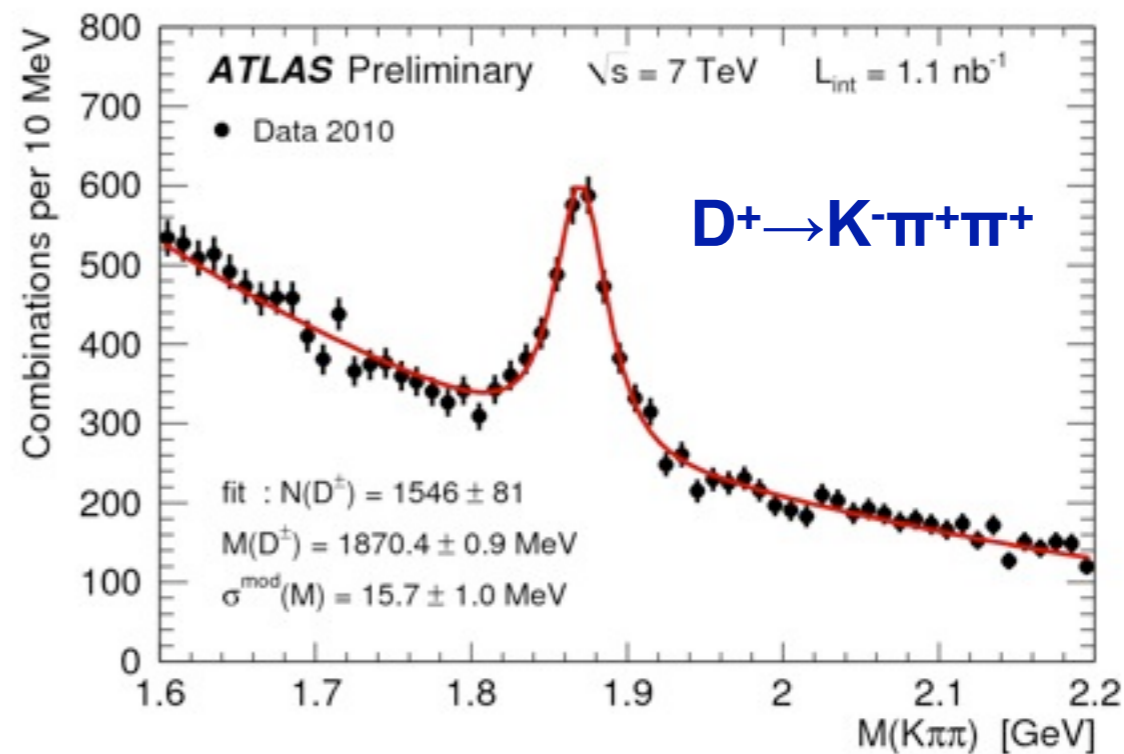
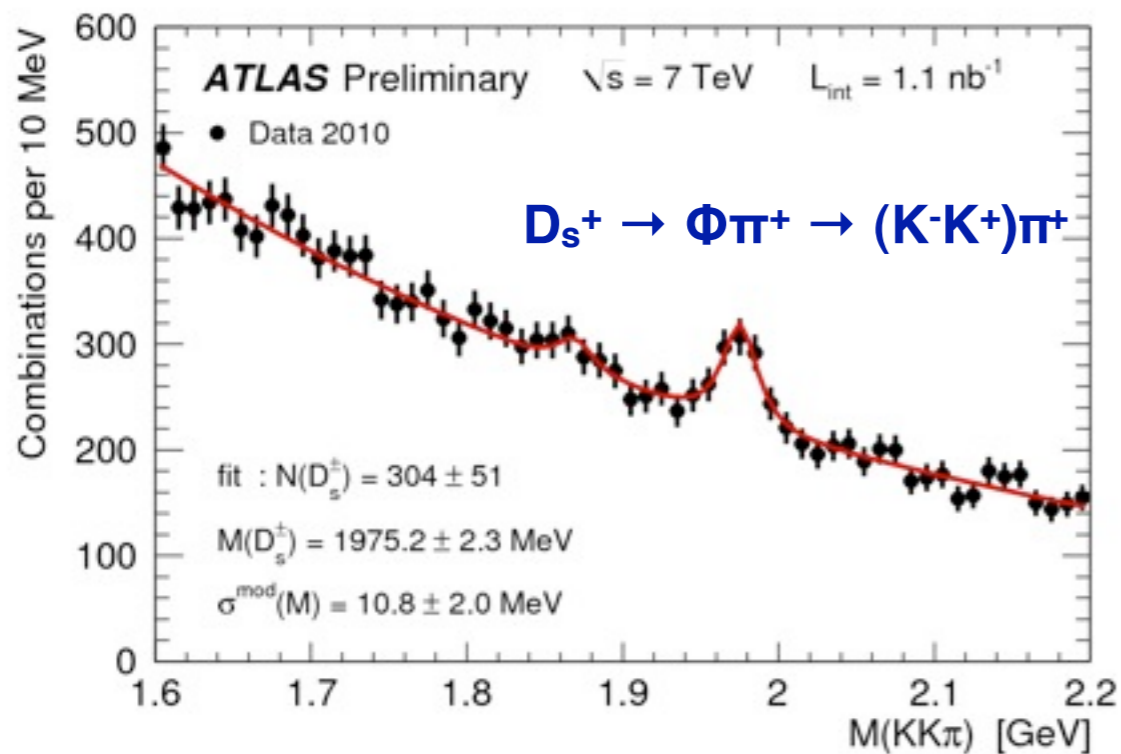


- Resolution in barrel region is clearer.
- Similar event yields in each
- Masses stable in each combination
- Cross-section measurement in progress.



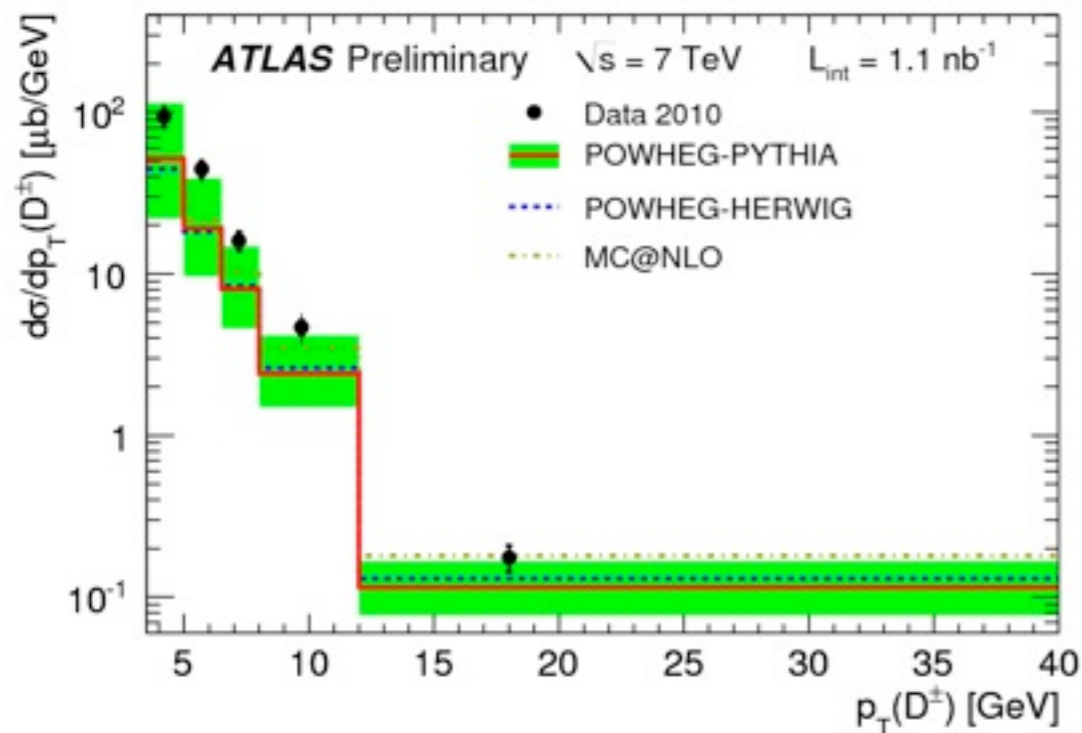
D Mesons

- ATLAS is also measuring production of charm mesons

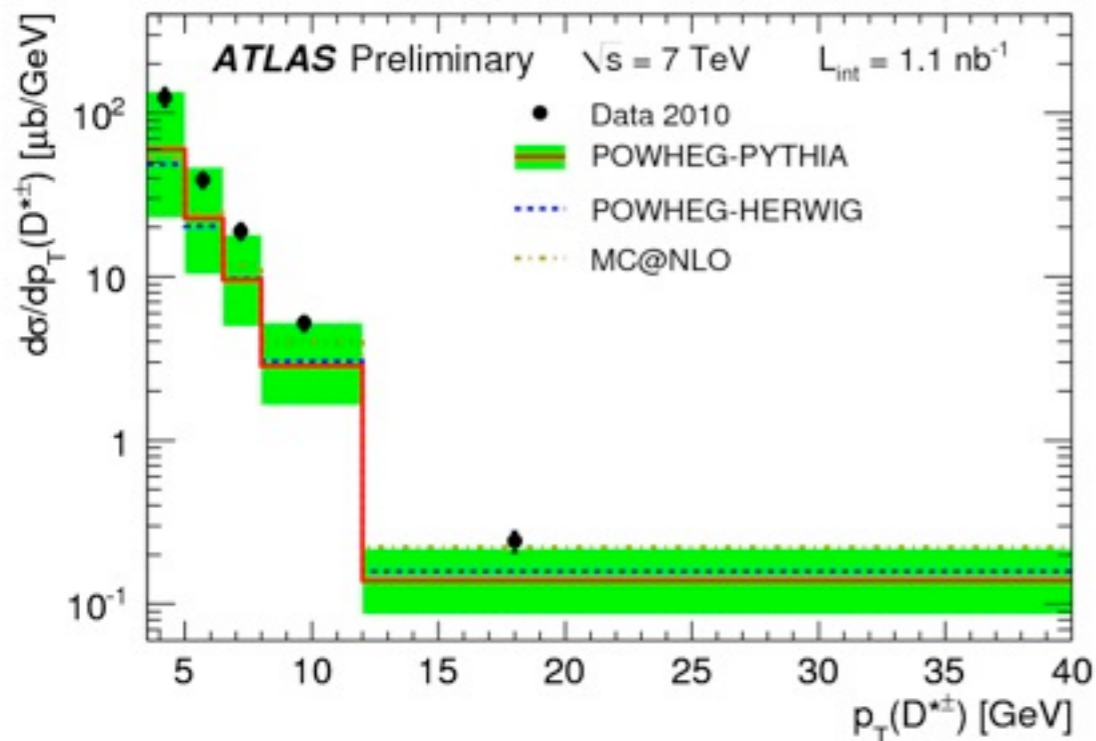
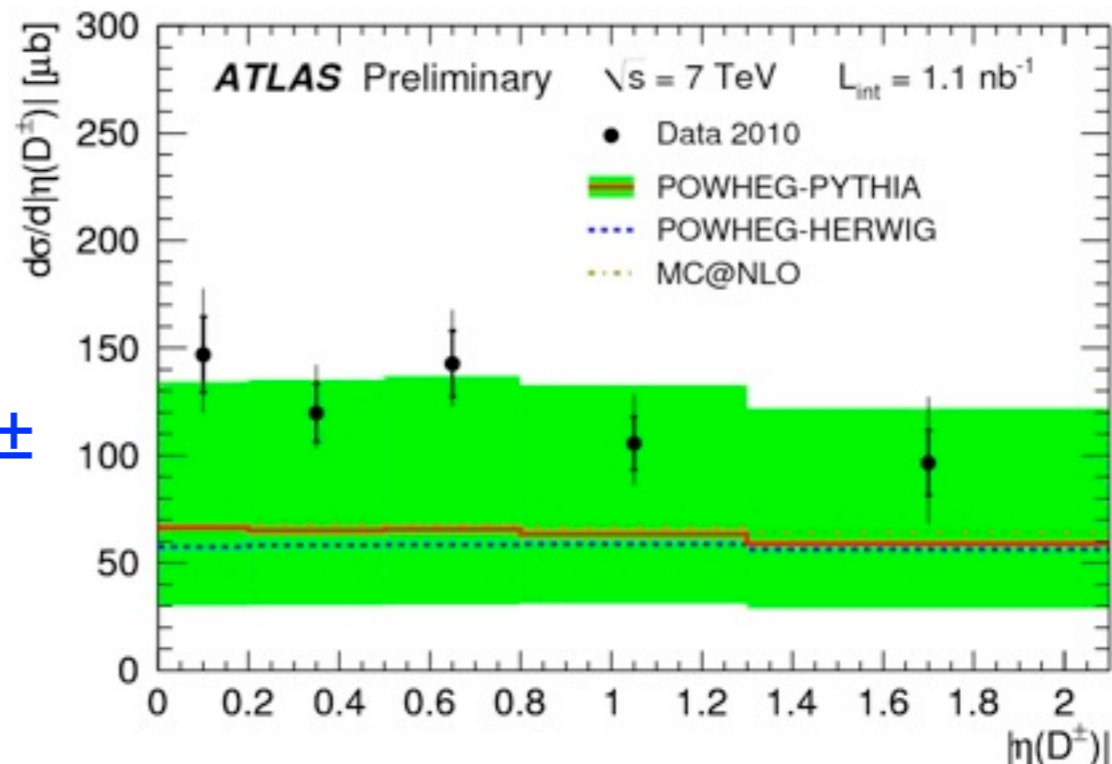


Differential Cross-sections extracted

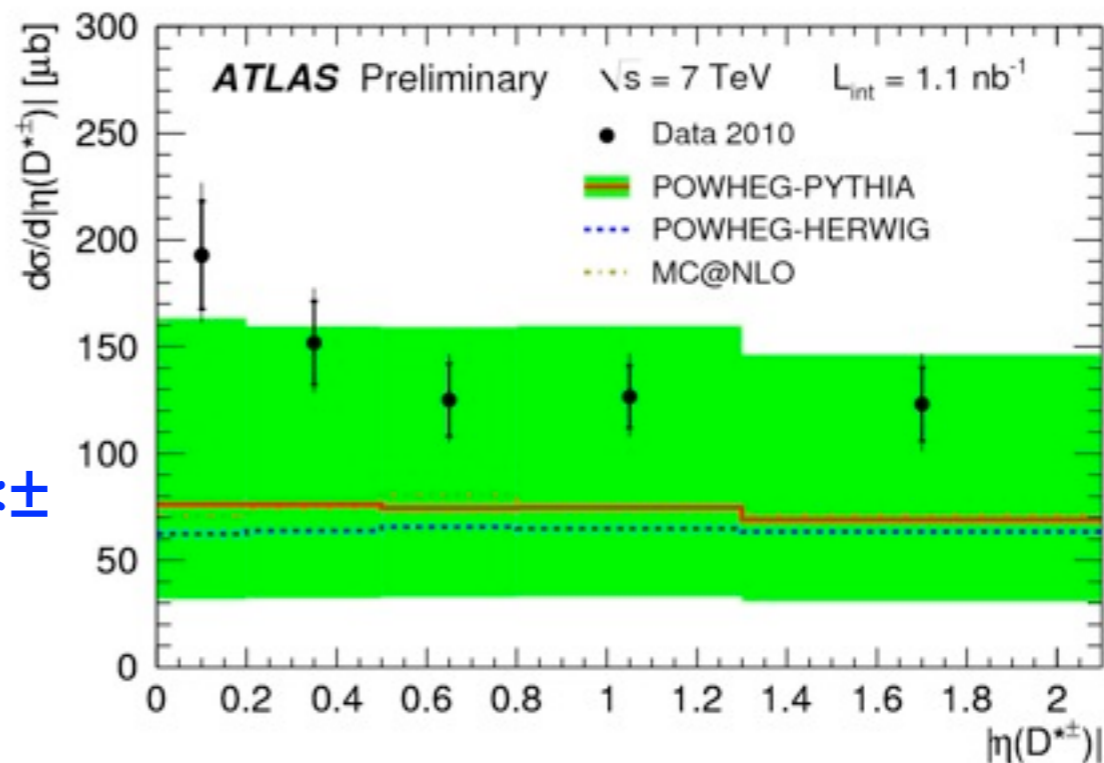
- Differential cross-sections with p_T and η seem to be above predictions



D^\pm



$D^{*\pm}$



J/ψ Differential Cross-Section

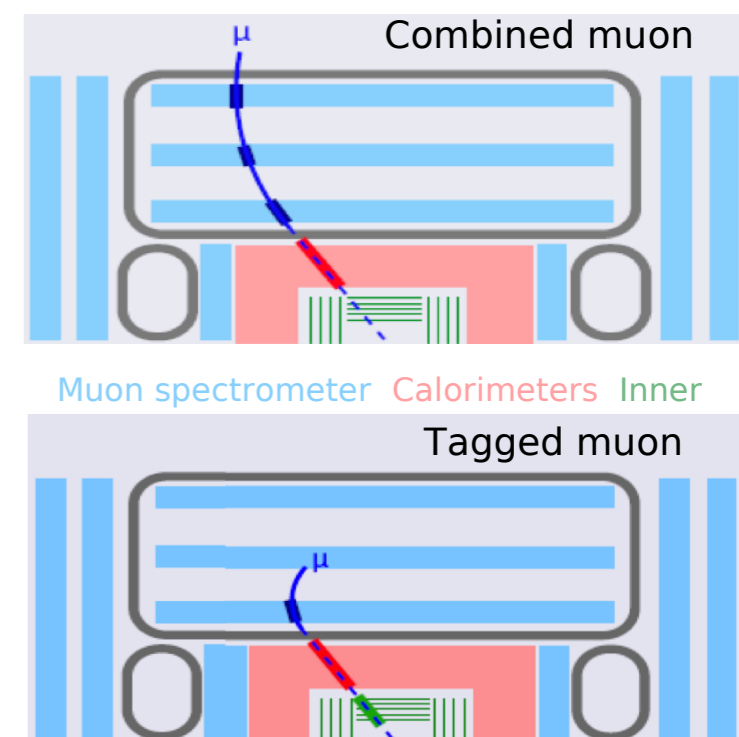
- ATLAS measurement of the inclusive J/ψ differential cross-section in bins of rapidity (y) and p_T using single muon triggers
- Uses data collected between April and August of 2010.
- **Important inputs to measurement from:**
 - Theoretical uncertainties from spin-alignment, possible strong effect on detector acceptance - not (yet) measured at LHC.
 - Efficiency determinations for trigger and muon reconstruction
 - Reconstruction efficiencies from data
 - Trigger efficiencies in fine bins from MC, bins weighted with match data.
- Measured the fraction of non-prompt production cross-section as a function J/ψ p_T, y.

$$f_B \equiv \frac{d\sigma(pp \rightarrow B + X \rightarrow J/\psi X')}{d\sigma(pp \xrightarrow{\text{Inclusive}} J/\psi X')}$$

- **Direct production and feed-down from higher mass charmonium states.**
- **Non-prompt J/ψ's produced in the decay of long-lived B-hadrons.**
- **Many uncertainties cancel in the fraction,**
 - Makes a suitable measurement for early data analysis.
- Differential prompt and non-prompt cross-sections also extracted

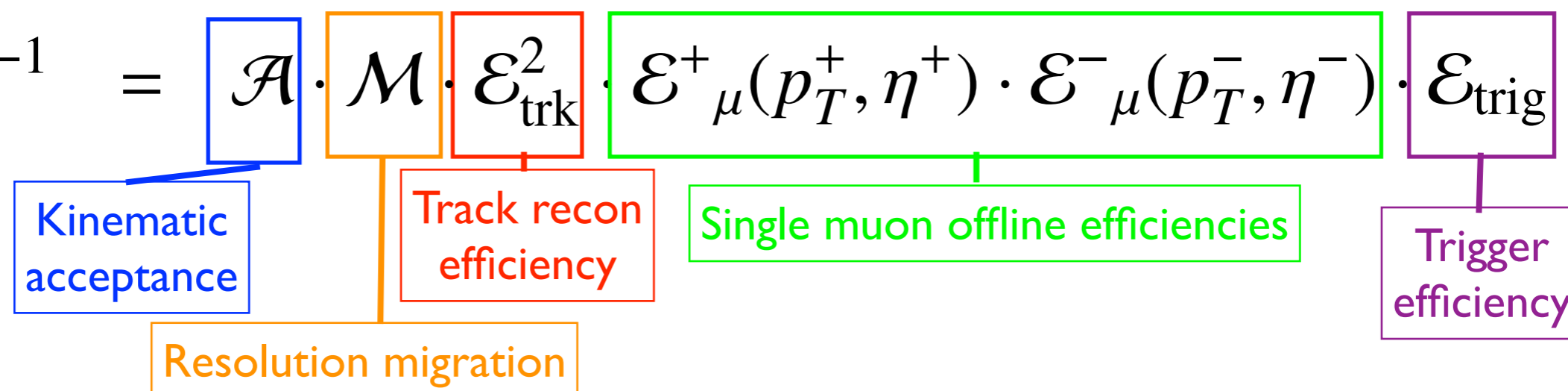
Candidate Selection

- Trigger:
 - **Differential cross-section**
 - Required events passing a minimum-bias trigger, with a muon signature at the High-Level Trigger (HLT)
 - Gives access to low- p_T candidates; high prescales applied at later periods
 - Luminosity used corresponds to 2.27 pb^{-1} .
 - **Fraction measurement**
 - Either the above trigger, or a single-muon trigger,
 - Increased statistics, more so in higher- p_T regions.
 - Luminosity recorded corresponds to 2.44 pb^{-1} .
- Offline reconstruction
 - **Require two muons using the tracker & the muon system, with at least one reconstructed in the muon system and then matched to an ID track.**
 - **Each muon required to have momentum $> 3 \text{ GeV}$, pseudo-rapidity < 2.5 .**
 - **Vertex fit is made using the oppositely-charged associated Inner-detector tracks.**
- **Main contribution to background is from “fakes”, decays in flight and muons from heavy-flavour decays.**



Event Weighting

- From fits to data, extract the yields of J/ψ in each p_T and y region:
- To go from yields to cross-section:
 - Need to correct for detector acceptance, reconstruction and trigger efficiencies:
 - Event weighting procedure:

$$w^{-1} = \mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{M} \cdot \mathcal{E}_{\text{trk}}^2 \cdot \mathcal{E}_{\mu}^{+}(p_T^{+}, \eta^{+}) \cdot \mathcal{E}_{\mu}^{-}(p_T^{-}, \eta^{-}) \cdot \mathcal{E}_{\text{trig}}$$


Labels for the equation components:

- \mathcal{A} : Kinematic acceptance
- \mathcal{M} : Resolution migration
- $\mathcal{E}_{\text{trk}}^2$: Track recon efficiency
- $\mathcal{E}_{\mu}^{+}(p_T^{+}, \eta^{+}) \cdot \mathcal{E}_{\mu}^{-}(p_T^{-}, \eta^{-})$: Single muon offline efficiencies
- $\mathcal{E}_{\text{trig}}$: Trigger efficiency

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{trig}} = 1 - \left(1 - \mathcal{E}_{\text{trig}}^{+}(p_T^{+}, \eta^{+})\right) \cdot \left(1 - \mathcal{E}_{\text{trig}}^{-}(p_T^{-}, \eta^{-})\right)$$

- Weight is applied to each candidate passing the event selection.
- Trigger efficiency extracted from data for each “Combined” and “Tagged” muon type and each trigger condition; uses a data ‘tag & probe’ method combined with MC for finer binning.
- Efficiency to reconstruct muons in the detector determined from data using a ‘tag and probe’ method.

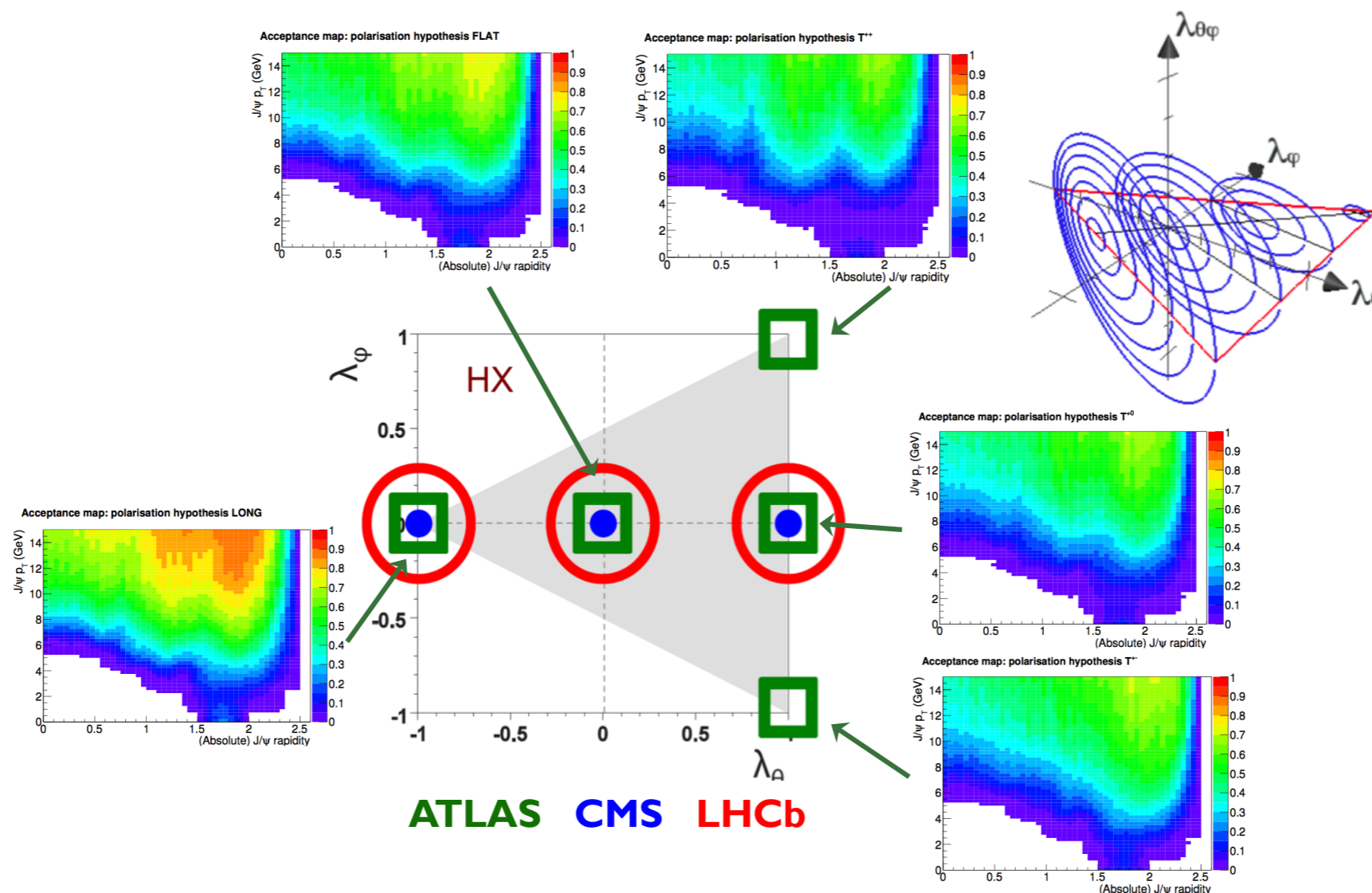
- Detector Acceptance depends strongly on the spin alignment, or polarisation of the J/ψ
- not (yet) measured under LHC conditions and will be an important future measurement.
- Take 5 working points:
- Covers maximum acceptance variations; applied as systematic uncertainty in final measurement.

$$\frac{dN}{d\Omega} = 1 + \lambda_{\theta^*} \cos^2 \theta^* + \lambda_{\phi^*} \sin^2 \theta^* \cos 2\phi^* + \lambda_{\theta^* \phi^*} \sin 2\theta^* \cos \phi^*$$

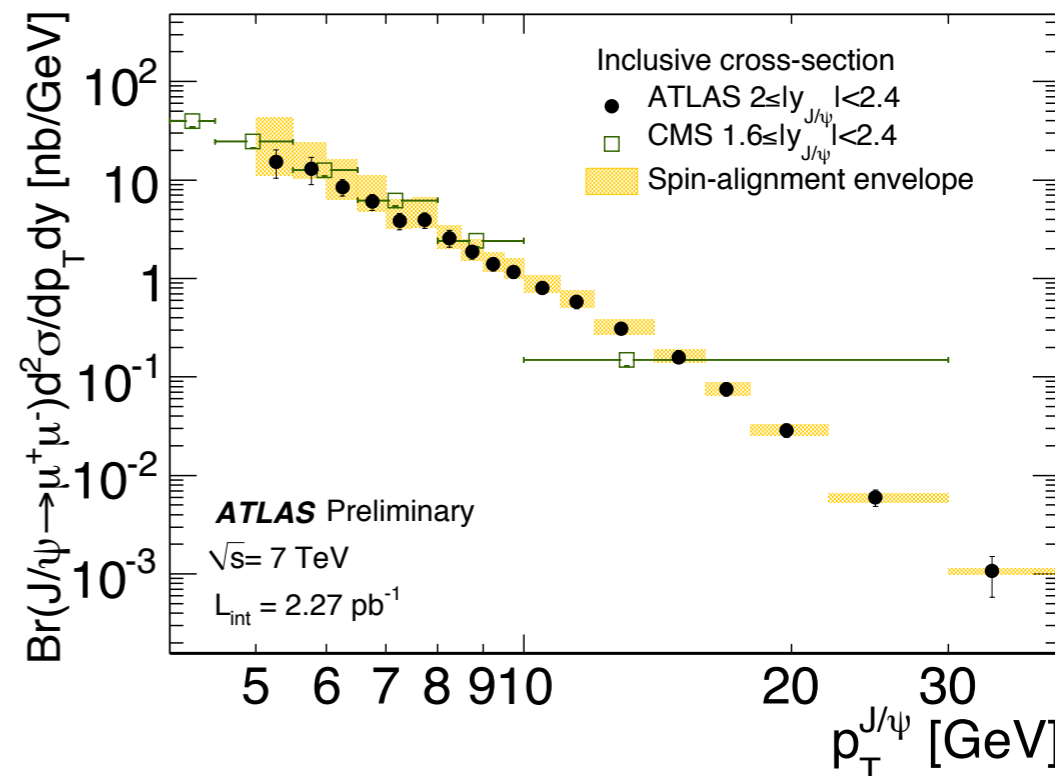
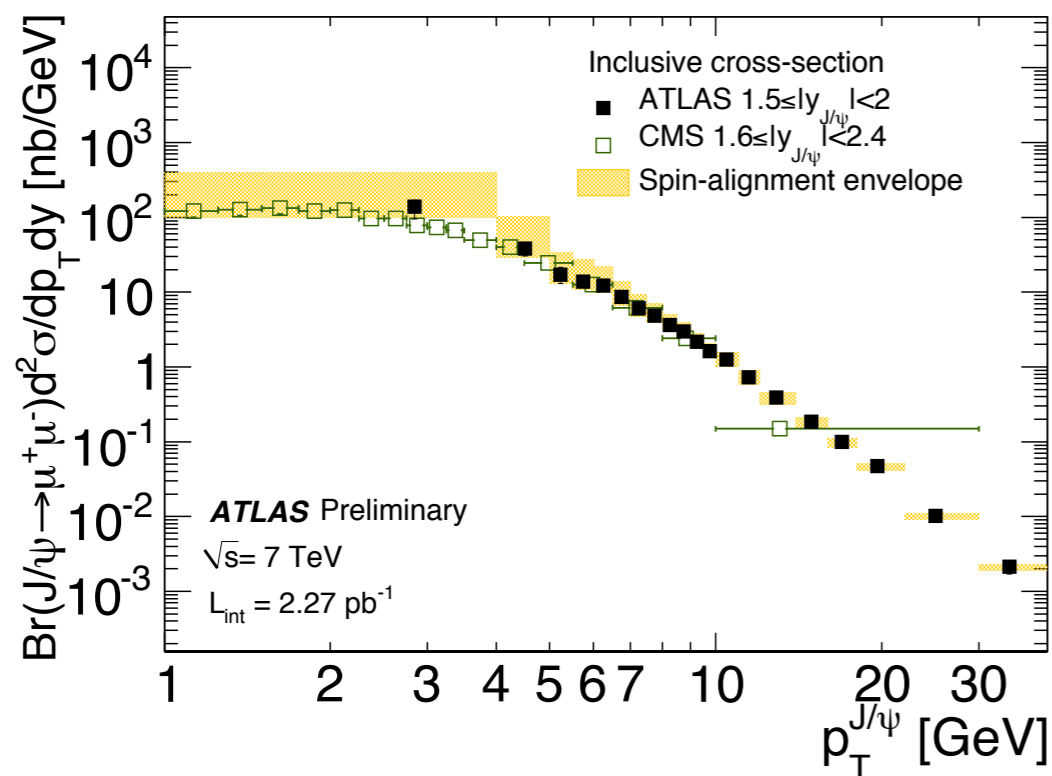
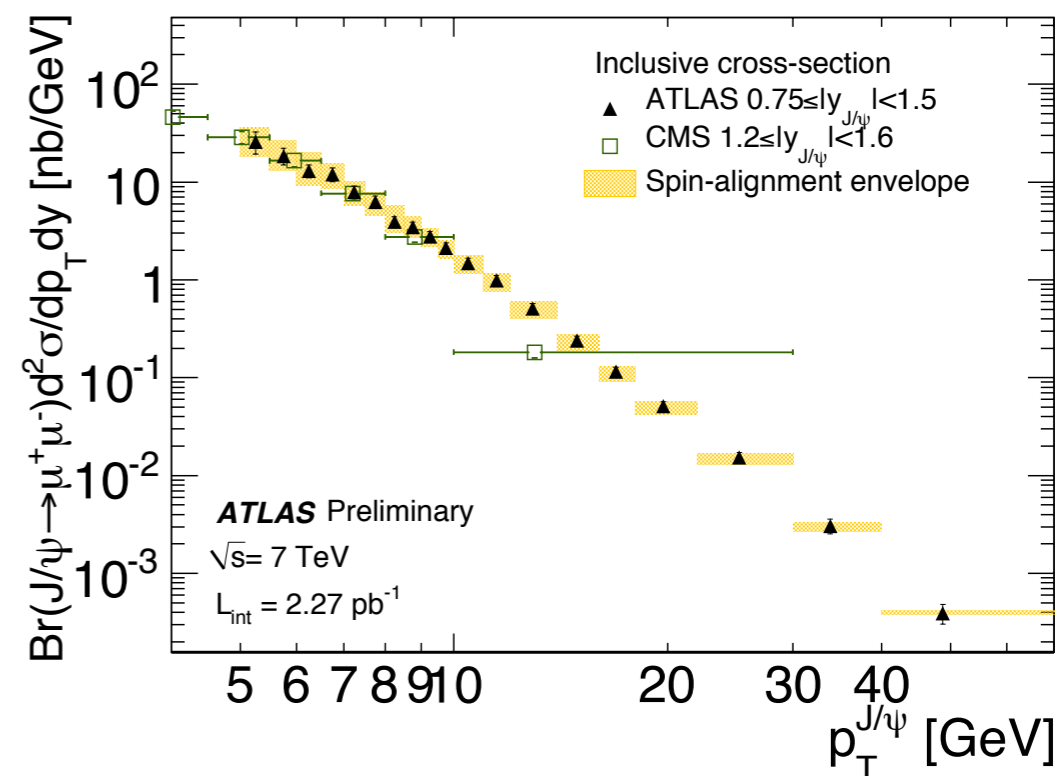
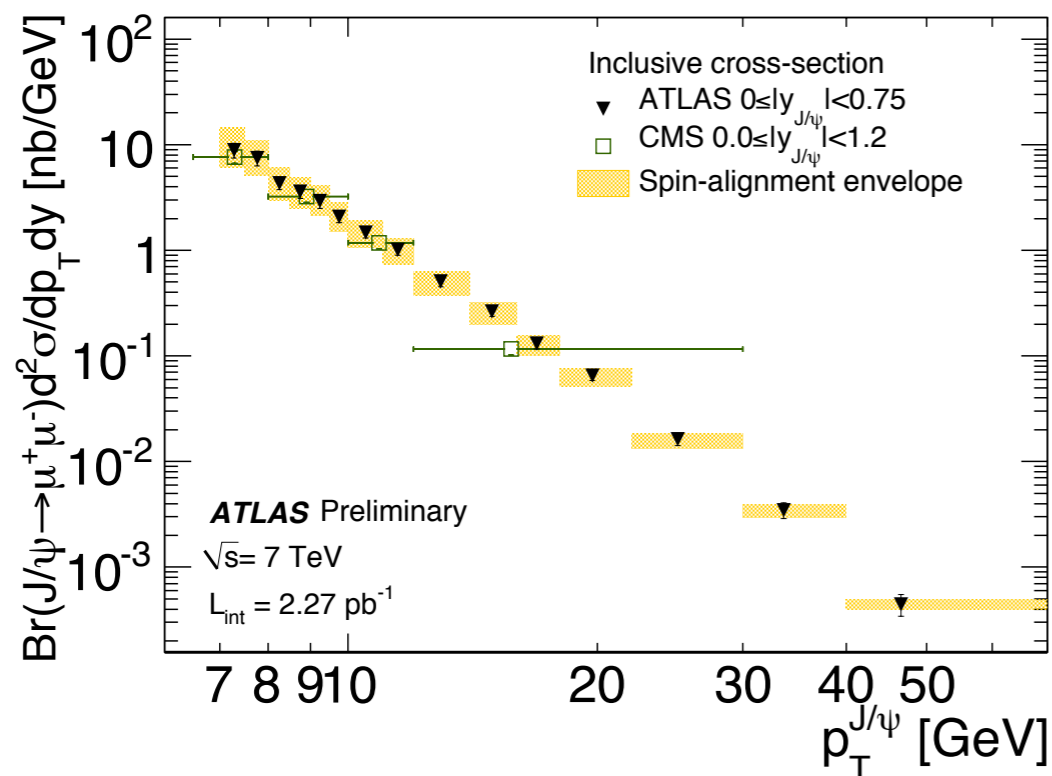
$\frac{1 - 3|a_0|^2}{1 + |a_0|^2}$

$\frac{2\text{Re} a_{+1}^* a_{-1}}{1 + |a_0|^2}$

$\frac{\sqrt{2}\text{Re} [a_0^* (a_{+1} - a_{-1})]}{1 + |a_0|^2}$



Inclusive Differential Cross-Section



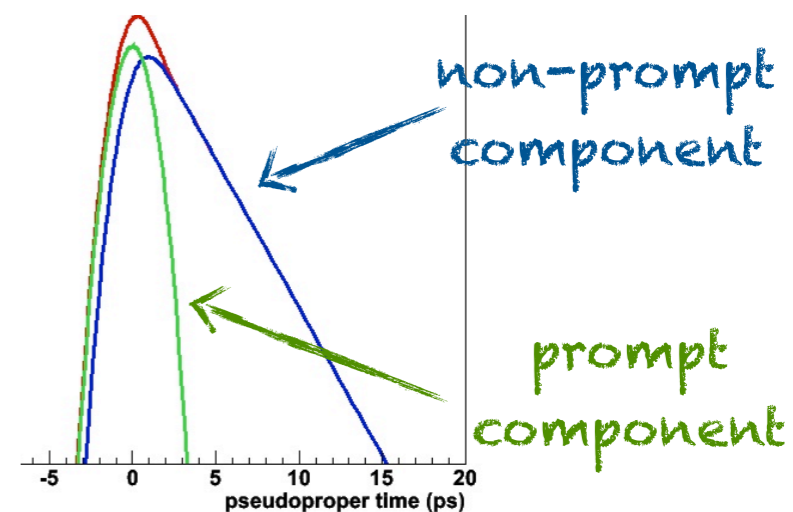
- Central points from “Flat” spin-alignment hypothesis, **Yellow** is envelope of all hypotheses.
- Good agreement with CMS, generally reduced uncertainties

Non-Prompt Fraction Measurement

- Decays to J/ψ can proceed via various mechanisms:
 - Direct processes, e.g. from prompt production and decays of heavier charmonium (χ_c) states:
 - Decays occur at production point in detector.
 - From B-hadron decays to J/ψ , many of which occur away from the production point of the interaction in the detector.

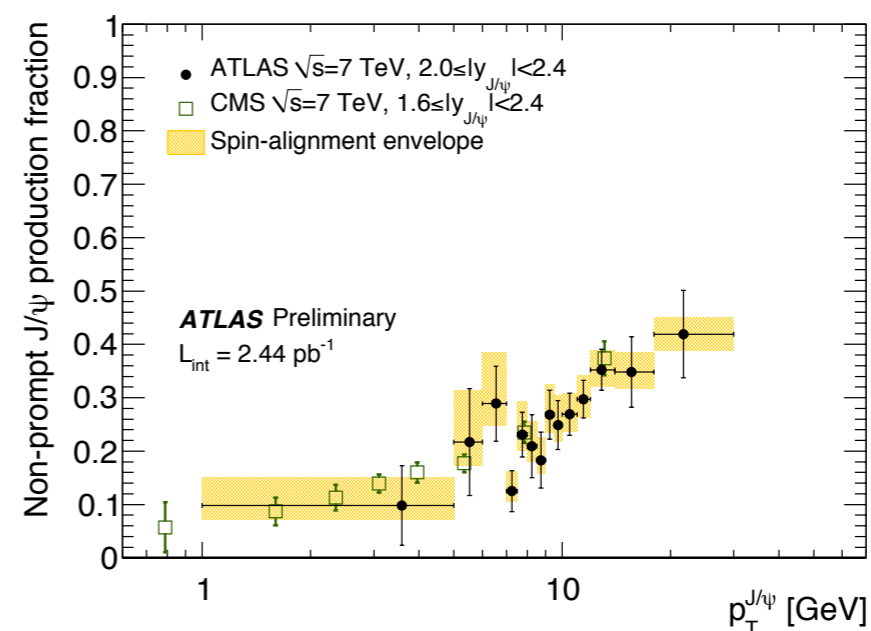
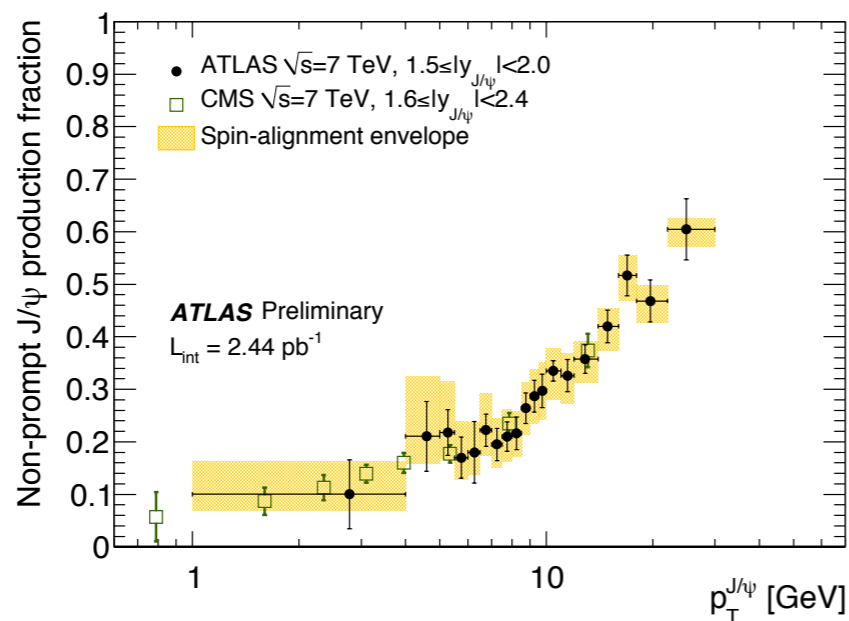
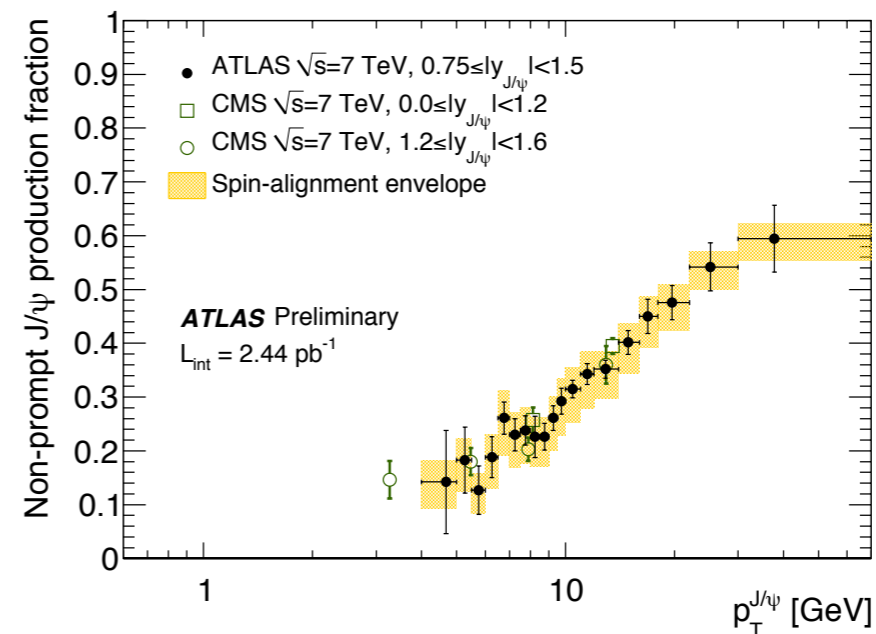
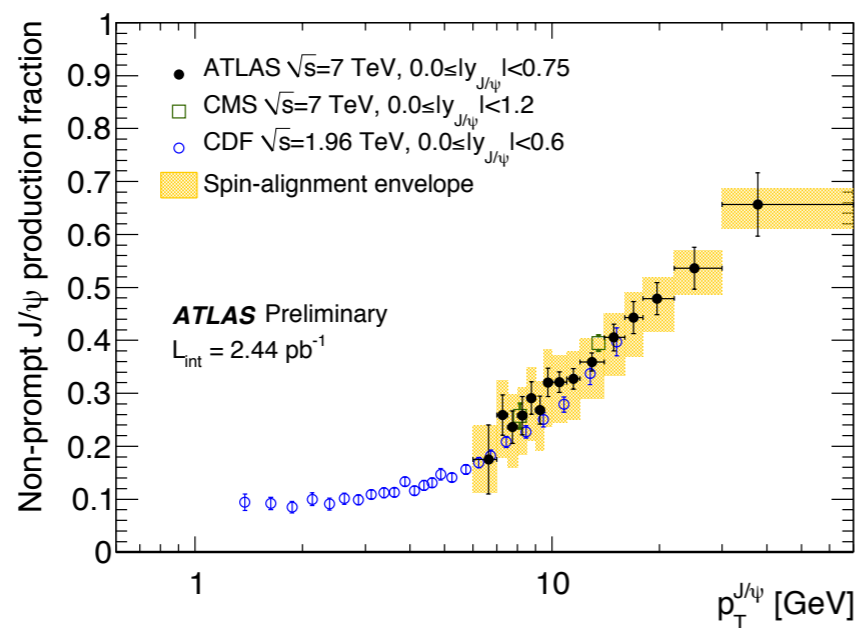
$$\tau = \frac{\overset{\text{xy displacement of candidate from PV}}{L_{xy}} \overset{\text{Invariant mass of candidate}}{m(J/\psi)}}{\underset{\text{p}_T \text{ of candidate}}{p_T(J/\psi)}}$$

- Pseudo-proper lifetime discriminates between “prompt” & “non-prompt” decays.
- Simultaneous maximum likelihood fit performed to mass and lifetime distributions to extract ratio in many bins of J/ψ γ , p_T .



Non-Prompt Fraction

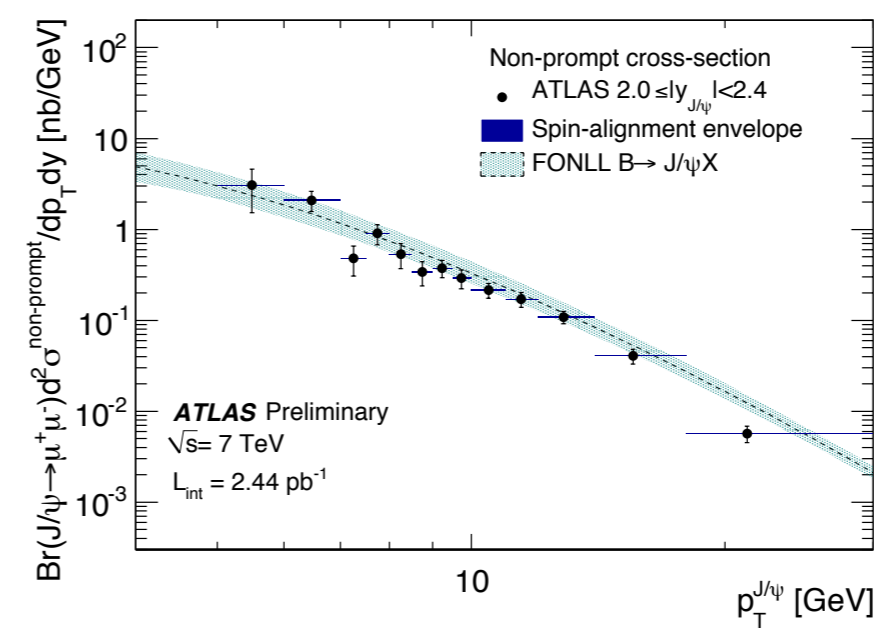
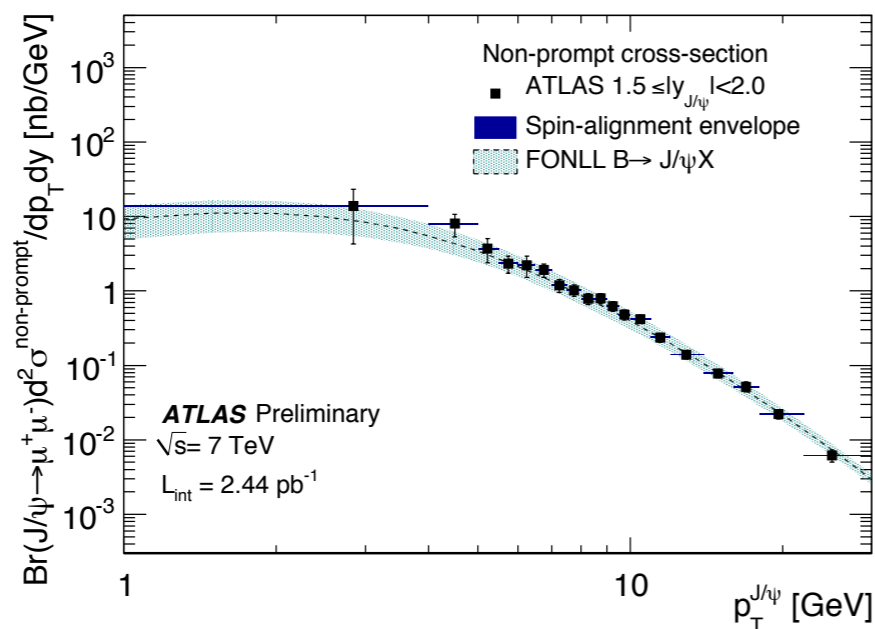
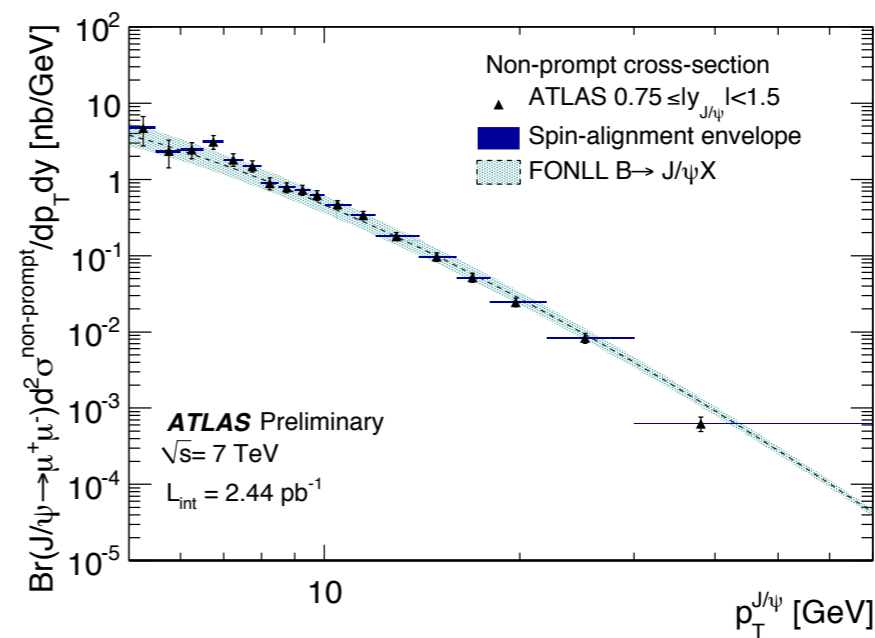
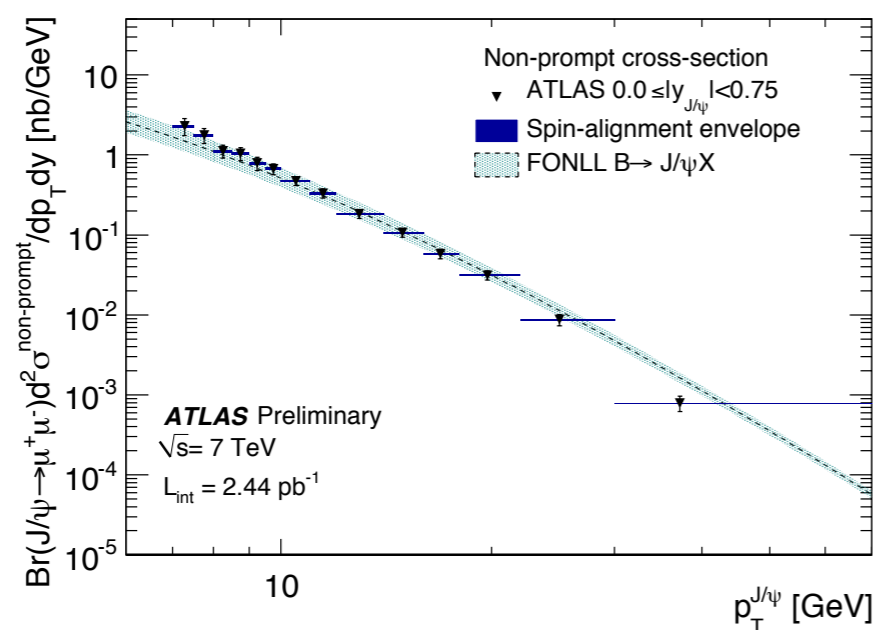
- Non-prompt fraction as a function of J/ψ transverse momentum for each of the rapidity regions.



- Agreement is good compared to other experiments.

Non-Prompt Cross-Section

- Corrected non-prompt cross-section as a function of J/ψ transverse momentum for each of the rapidity regions.



- Agreement is good with predictions.

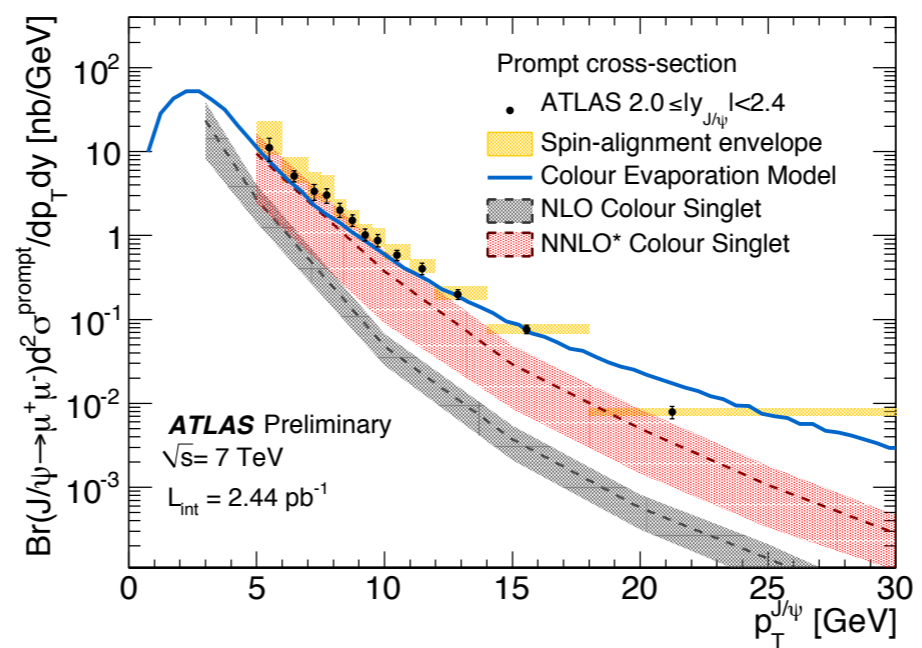
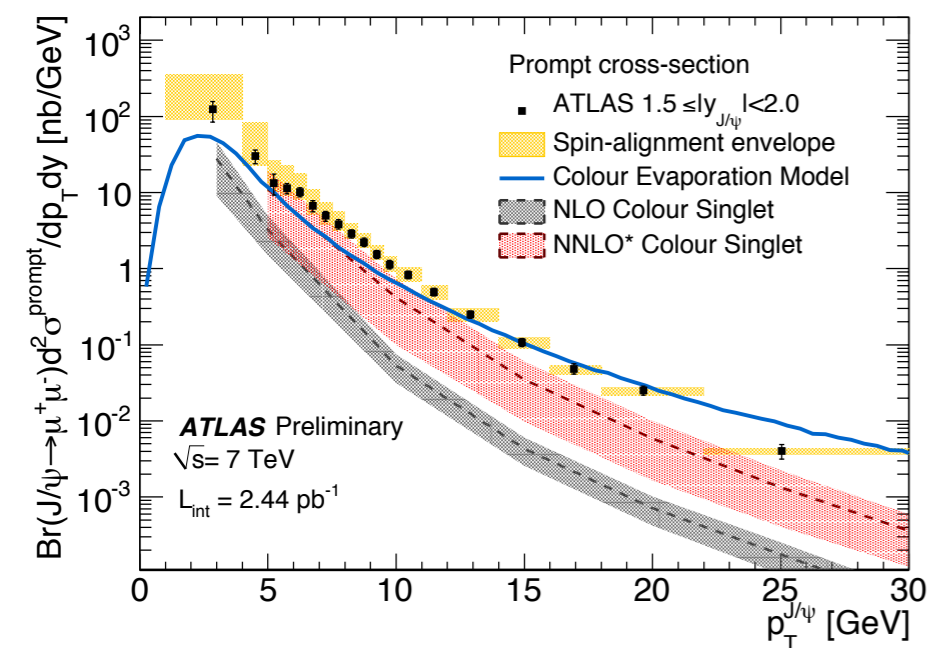
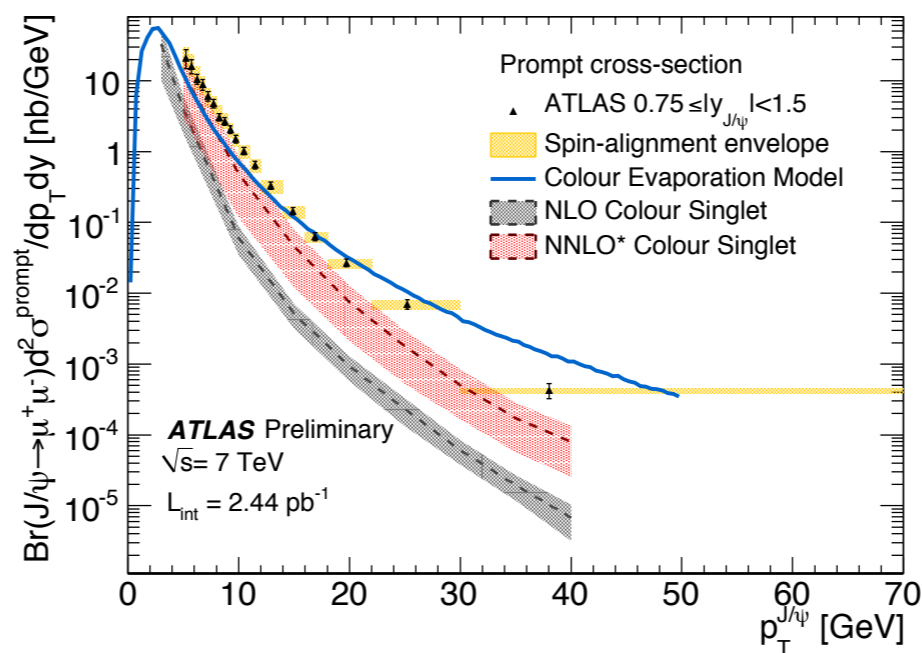
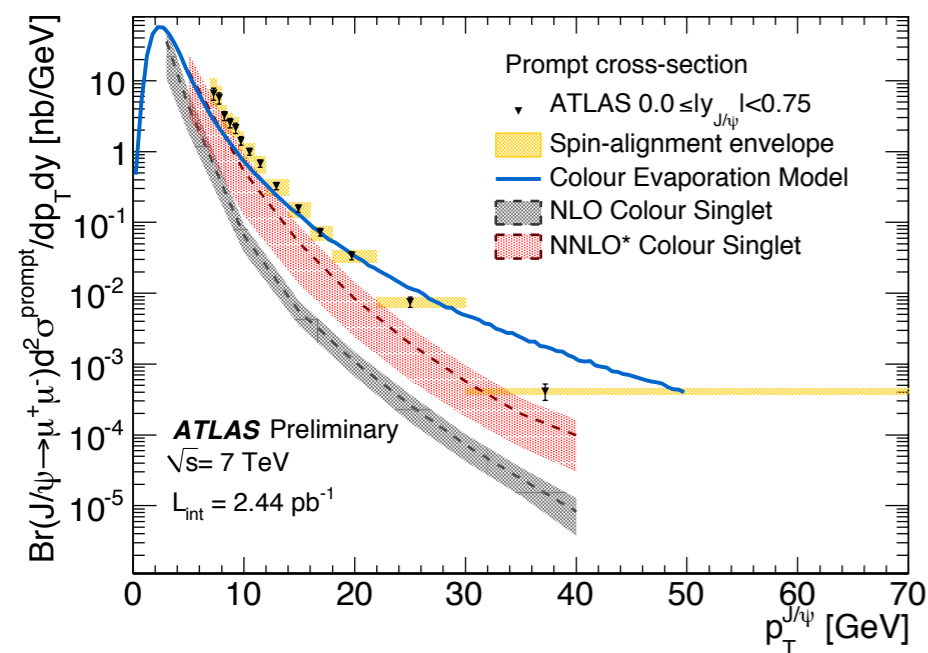
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Prompt Cross-Section

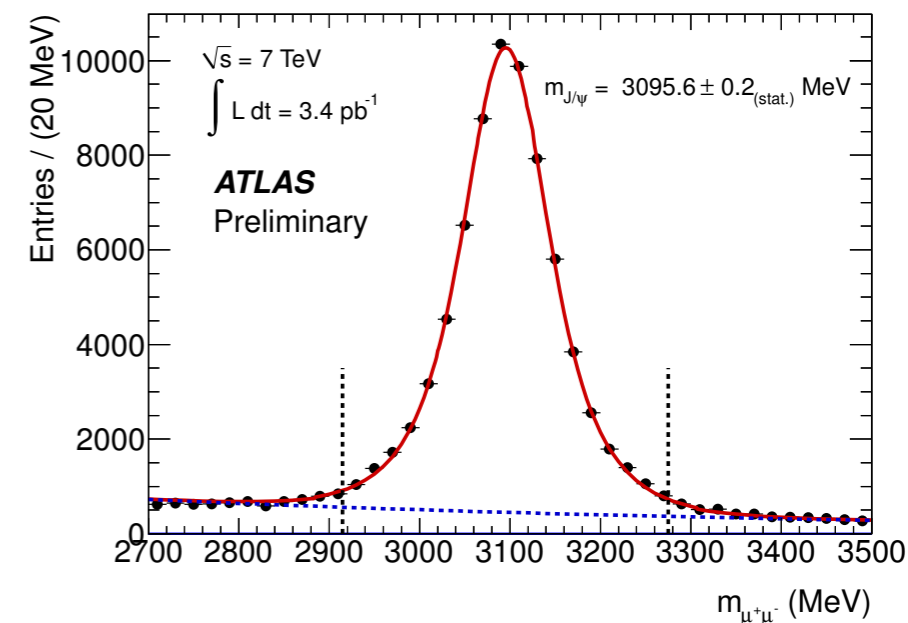
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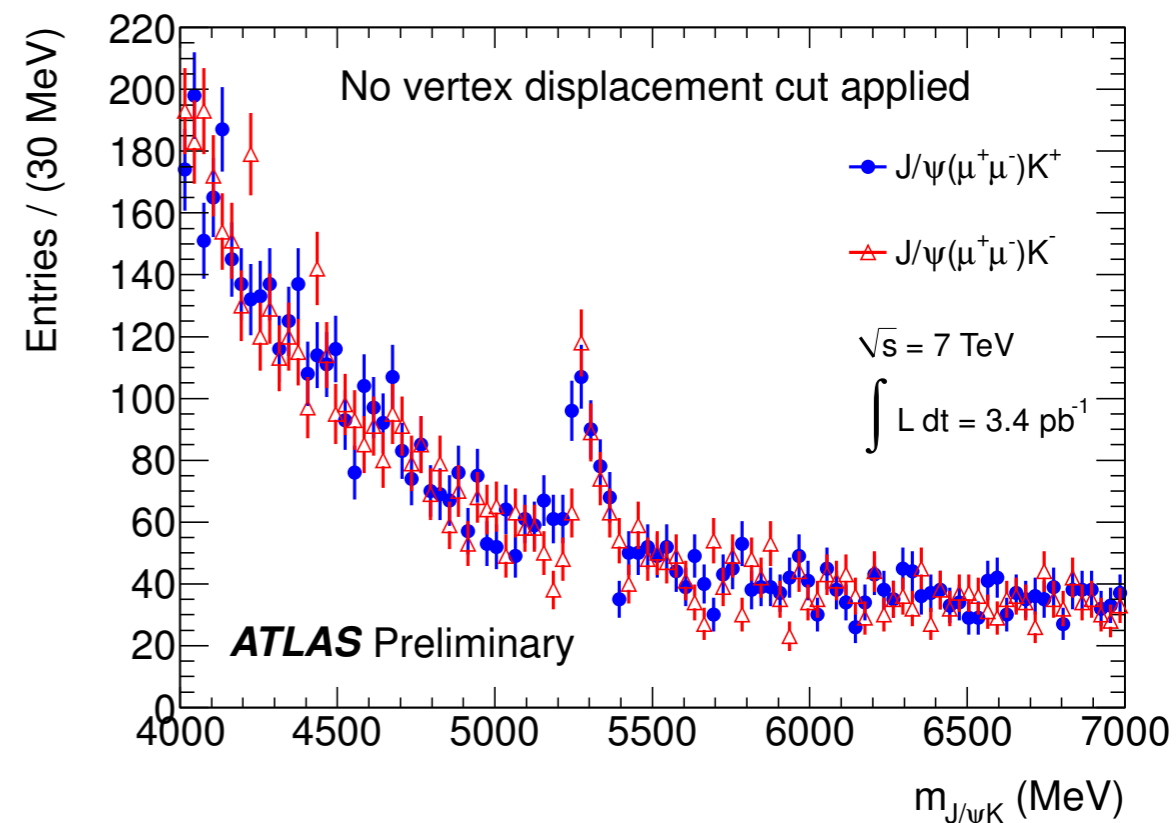
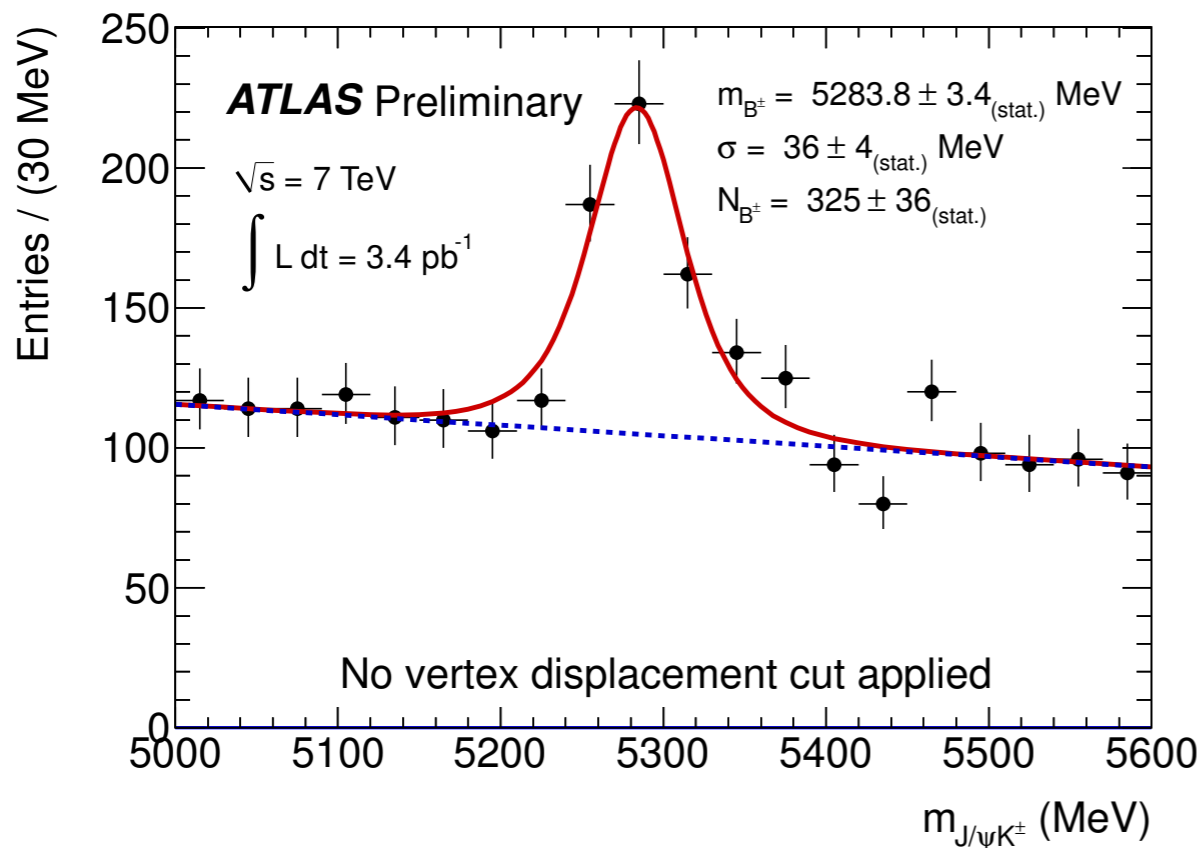
- Predictions from three theoretical models are overlaid.
- Agreement is in general good, with some discrepancy at high p_T .
- Important area of future study to provide improvements of understanding in J/ψ production.

Observations of B mesons – $B^\pm \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)K^\pm$

- Observation in ATLAS of the decay $B^\pm \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)K^\pm$
 - Reference channel for other B decay measurements
 - Cross-section imminent
- Data taken from June to August 2010, using single- and di-muon triggers.
- J/ψ candidates selected with additional track
 - assigned mass of Kaon.



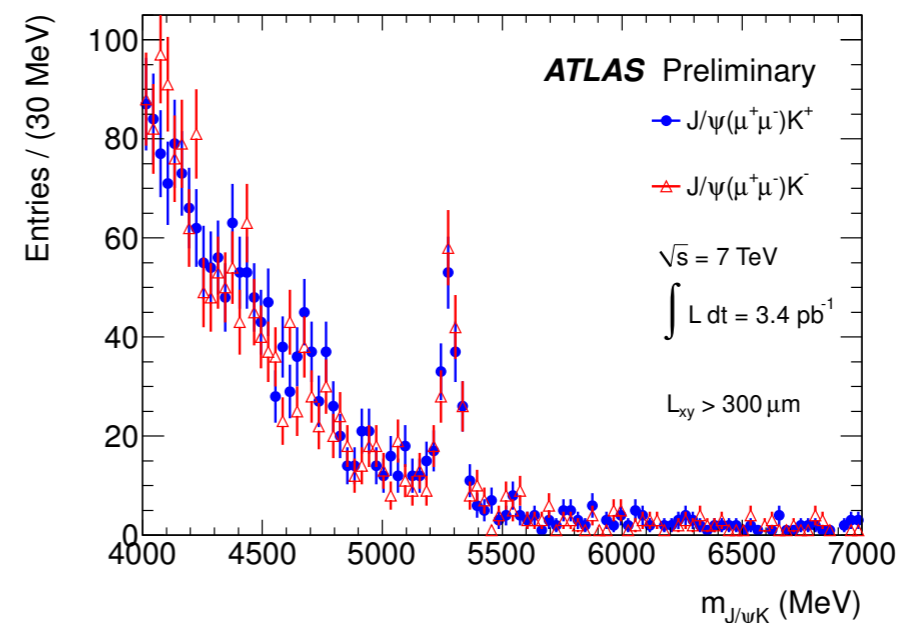
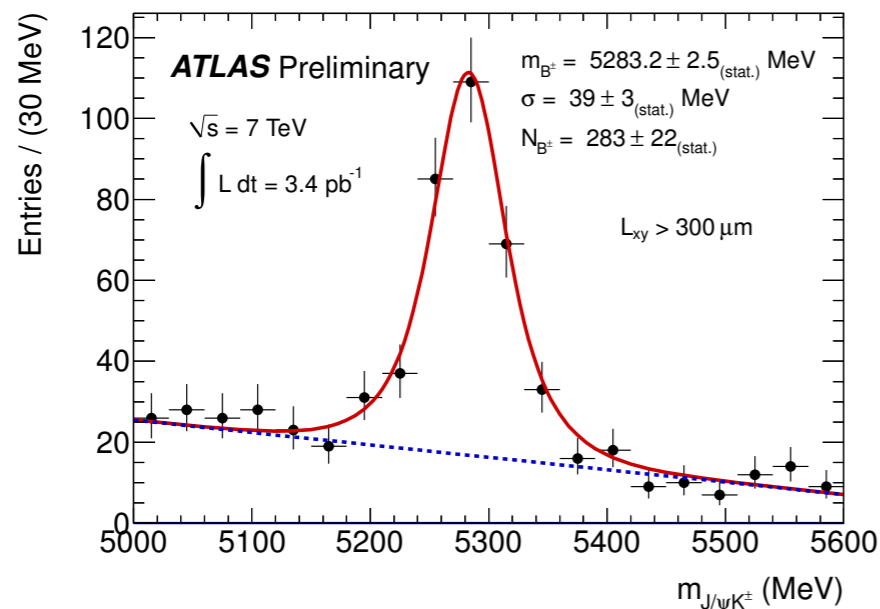
- Mass constraint is applied to $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ system and fitted to common vertex with 'kaon'.



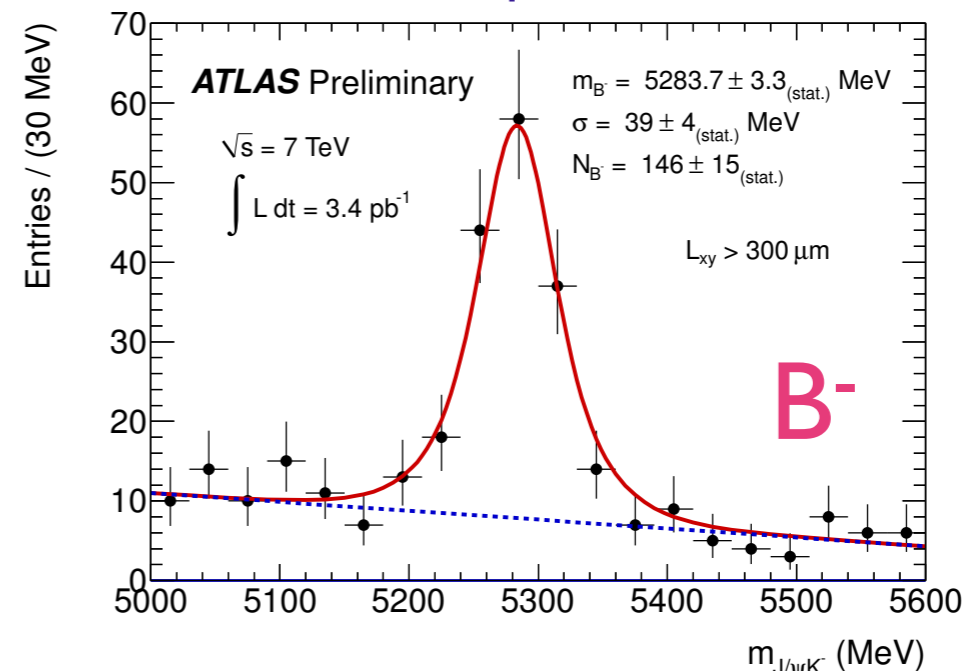
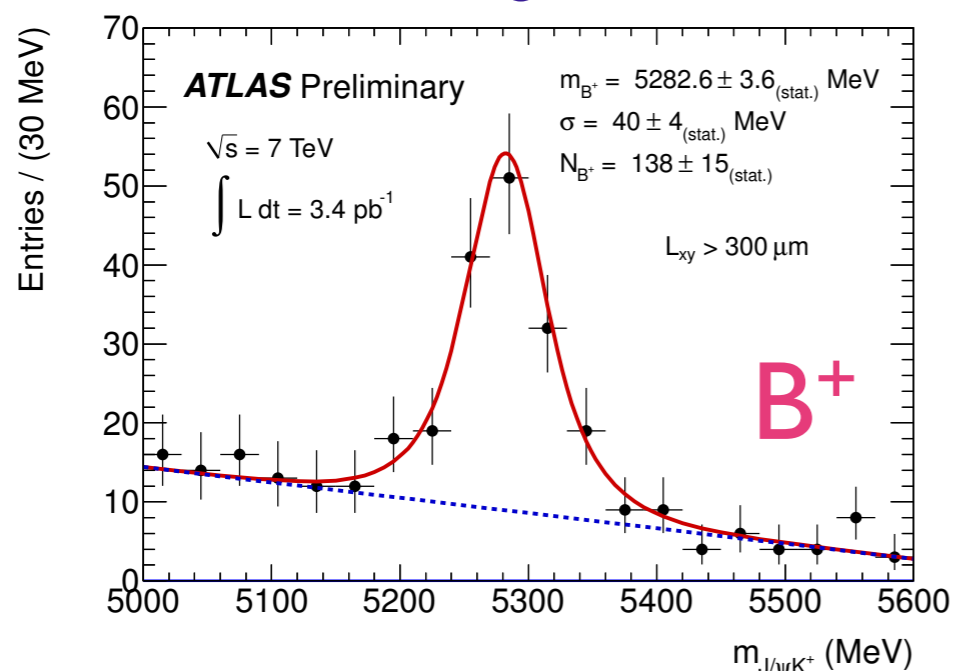
- Signal yield of 325 ± 36 candidates from 3.4 pb^{-1} data.

$B^\pm \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)K^\pm$

- Further reduction in background contamination can be achieved with a cut on the transverse decay length: $L_{xy} > 0.3 \text{ mm}$
- Factor of 6 reduction in background with $\sim 13\%$ loss of signal.



- Mass ($5283 \pm 2.5 \text{ MeV}$) is compatible with PDG value: $5279.17 \pm 0.29 \text{ MeV}$.
- Positive and Negative states are observed with consistent fitted parameters.



Summary and Outlook

- First year of data-taking has been highly successful.
 - Observation of J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$.
 - Observation of the three Upsilon states.
 - D meson states observed and cross section extracted
- $B^\pm \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)K^\pm$ observed, $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)K^{*0}$, $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)\phi$ imminent
- Measurement performed of J/ψ differential cross-section
 - plus fraction of non-prompt to inclusive decays, prompt and non-prompt differential cross-sections.

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/BPhysPublicResults>

- Short and longer term plans include
 - Exclusive decays $B_c \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)\pi$,
 - Continue preparations for searches on rare decays such as $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and studies into CP violation.
- Updates of current results using full dataset and many more measurements in progress.
- 2011 and beyond promises bring many more exciting results.