

# PANIC11

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## ***“B and D Hadron Production and Prospects”***

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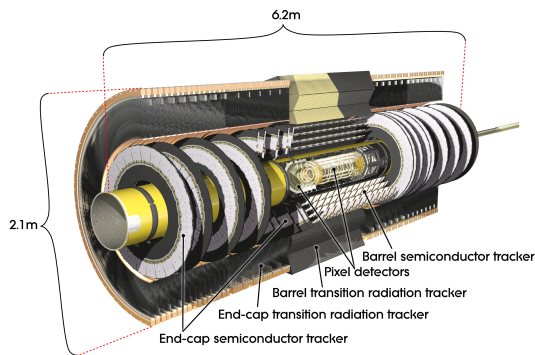
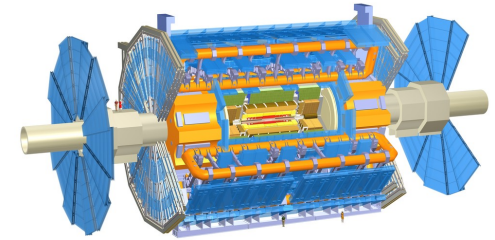
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# The ATLAS detector

## B-physics measurements with ATLAS

Large b production cross-section [few  $100 \mu\text{b}$ ]

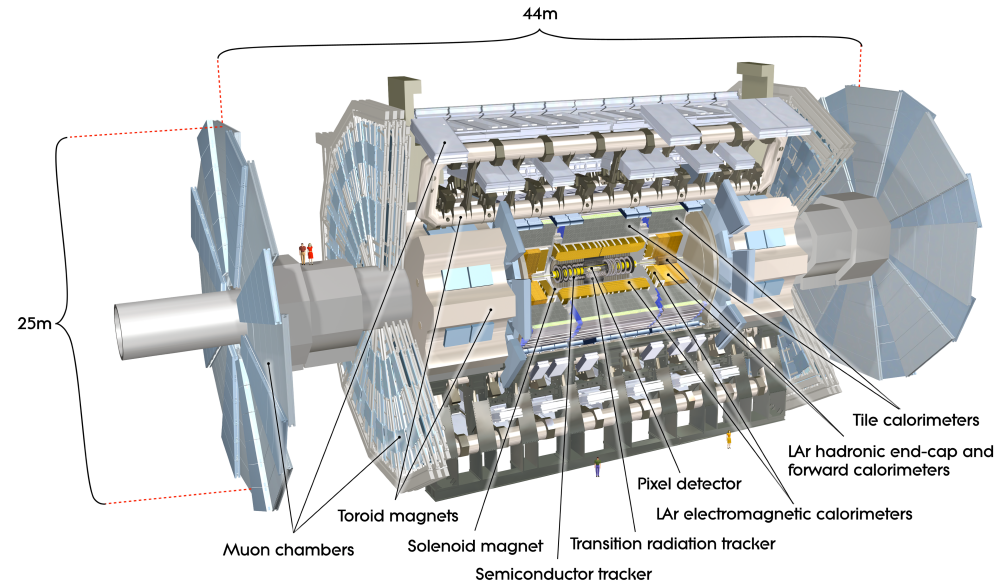
Excellent muon detection and tracking performance



## Inner Detector

- ✧  $|\eta| < 2.5$ ,
- ✧ Solenoid  $B=2\text{T}$
- ✧ 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**



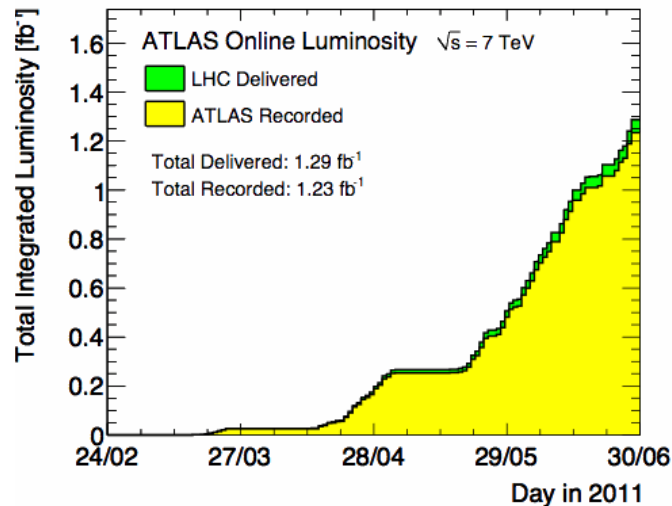
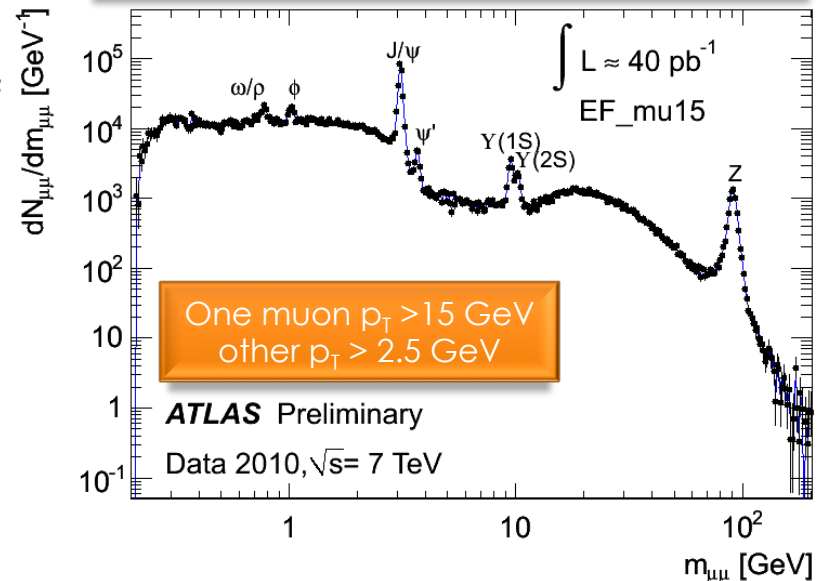
## Muon Spectrometer

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

# 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. Early period of data-taking essential to study, as access to low- $p_T$  region:
  - ✓ **D mesons: minimum bias**
    - ✧ **Fully efficient, prescaled beyond first data**
  - ✓ **B mesons: single muon and dimuon**
    - ✧ **Thresholds 0-10 GeV**

Di-muon invariant mass distribution passing a  $p_T > 15$  GeV muon trigger.

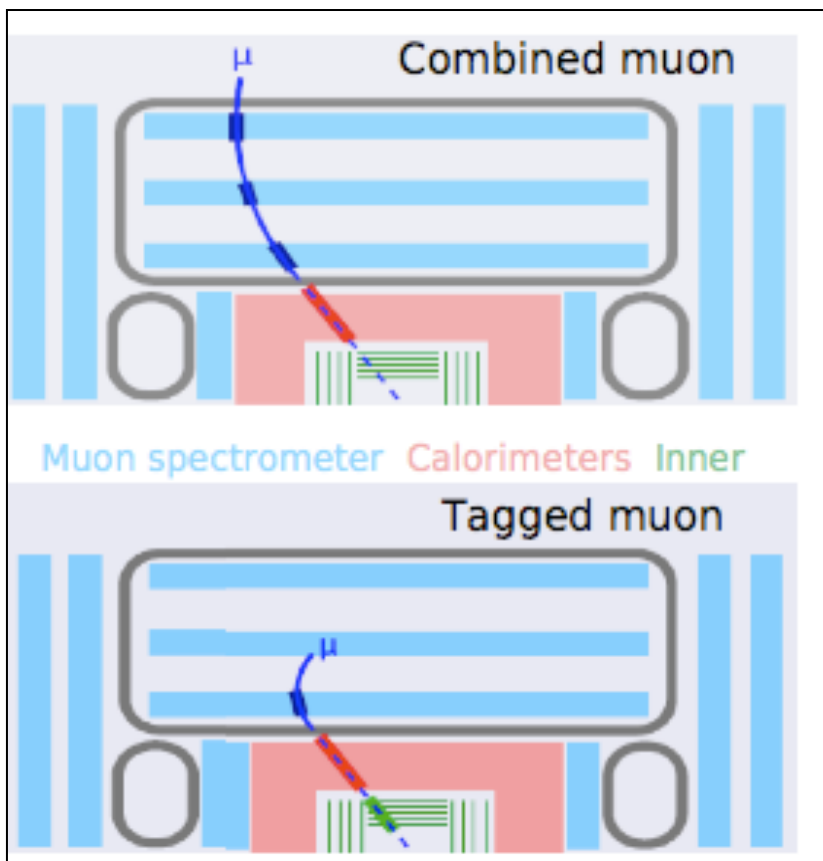


- ✧ 1.23 fb<sup>-1</sup> integrated in 2011
- ✧ 1.26E33 cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> peak luminosity
- ✧ Overall data taking efficiency >95%
- ✧ All subsystems >90%
- ✧ Expect >10 fb<sup>-1</sup> by 2012
- ✧ Results discussed based on 2010 (~40 pb<sup>-1</sup>) data

# Exclusive B meson reconstruction

- ✓ Aim to study flavour tagging, mixing, CP violation, branching ratios
- ✓ Initial studies test detector and trigger performance
- ✓ Use  $B \rightarrow J/\psi (\mu^+ \mu^-) + X$  decays

## Muon reconstruction



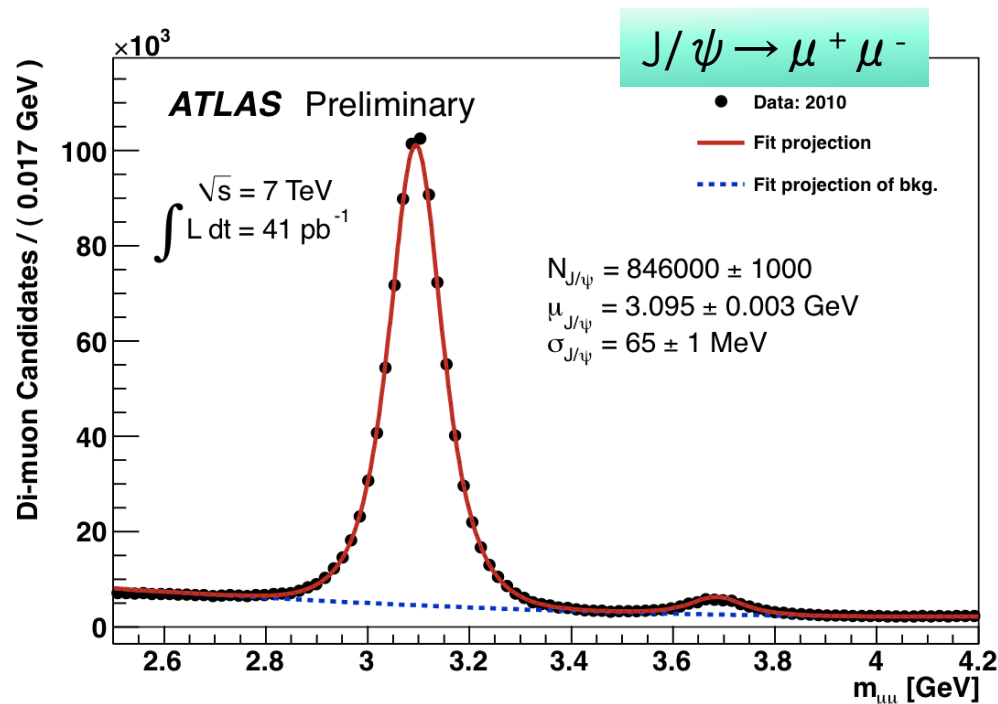
**Combined Muons:** Muons with an Inner Detector track matched to a Muon Spectrometer track and refitted through the detector to give the best measurement.

**Tagged Muons:** Muons with an Inner Detector track matched to a segment when extrapolated to the Muon Spectrometer. Such muons generally have low momentum.

# Charmonium Observations

## $J/\psi$ events selection:

- At least 1 primary vertex with 3 tracks associated
- Quality cuts on the Inner Detector tracks to remove the badly measured muons
- Opposite charge muon pairs with successful vertex fit.
- One of the muon candidates needs to be combined
- Momentum Cut:  
 $p_T(\mu_1) > 4 \text{ GeV}$   
 $p_T(\mu_2) > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$
- $|\eta(\mu)| < 2.5$



$J/\psi$  observation with  $L = 41 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  measured mass and width in agreement with PDG

$$M_{J/\psi} = 3.095 \pm 0.003 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sigma(m_{J/\psi}) = 65 \pm 1 \text{ MeV}$$

# Observation of $B^\pm$ mesons: $B^\pm \rightarrow J/\psi (\mu\mu) K^\pm$

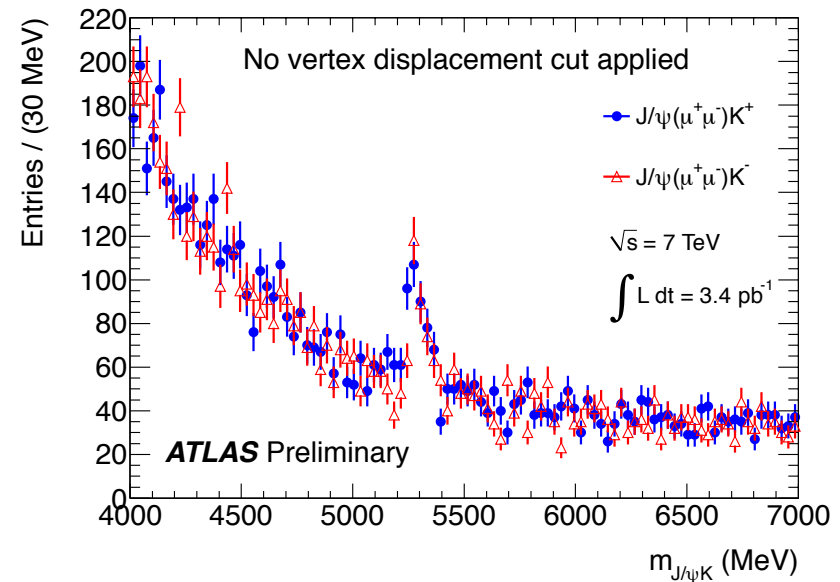
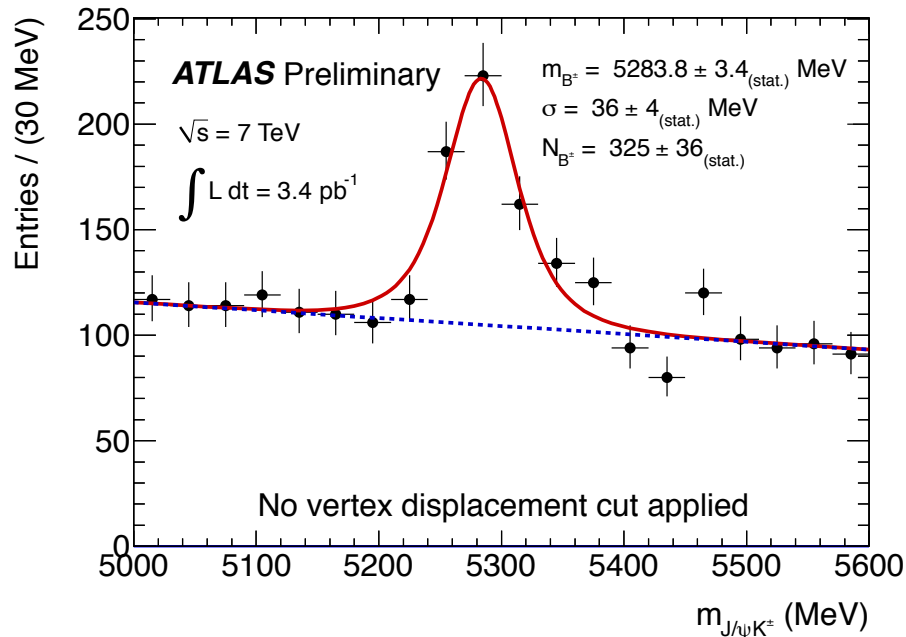
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Reference channel for other B decay measurements.

Cross section measurement imminent.

Data taken from June to August 2010, using single- and di-muon triggers:

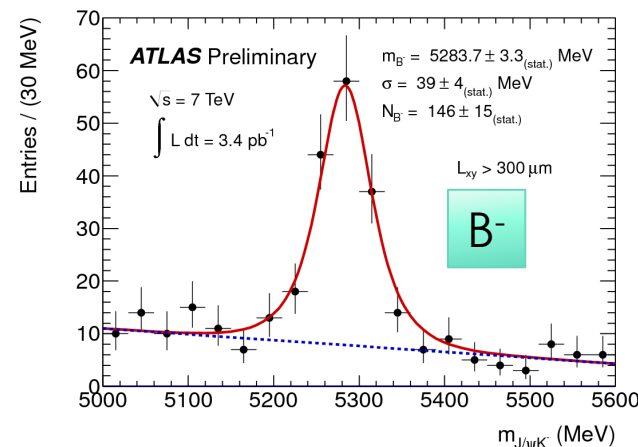
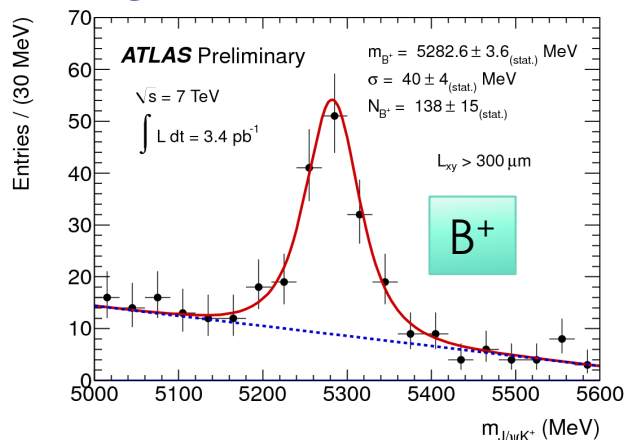
- ✓ Di-muon in the  $J/\psi$  mass range combined with a third track (kaon mass assigned).
- ✓ Fitted 3-track vertex, with  $J/\psi$  mass constraint on di-muon
- ✓ Unbinned maximum likelihood fit : Gaussian signal, linear background



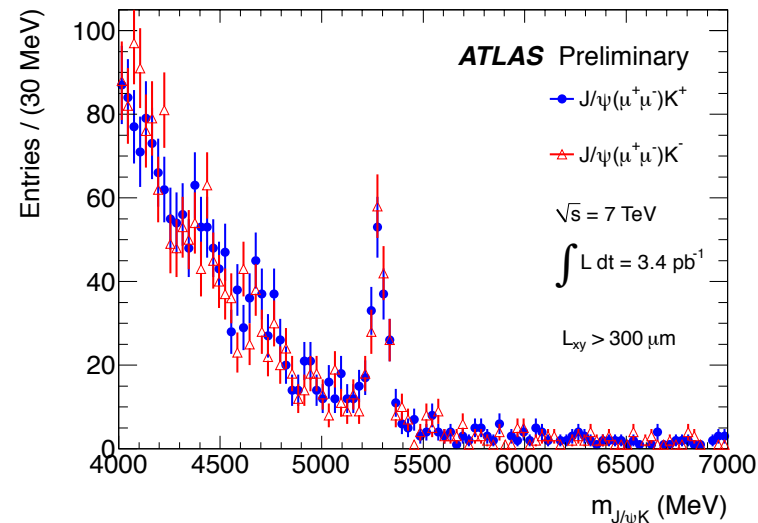
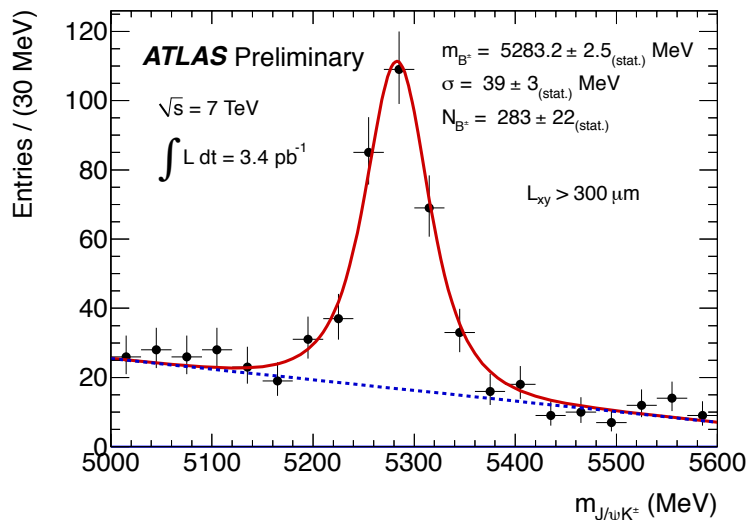
# $B^\pm \rightarrow J/\psi (\mu\mu) K^\pm$

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Positive and negative states are observed with consistent fitted parameters



Background suppression by applying a cut on transverse decay length  $L_{xy} > 0.3$  mm  
Factor of 6 reduction in background with  $\sim 13\%$  loss of signal.



Mass compatible with PDG value:

ATLAS:  $M(B) = 5283.2 \pm 2.5$  MeV PDG:  $M(B) = 5279.17 \pm 0.29$  MeV

# $B_d^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$

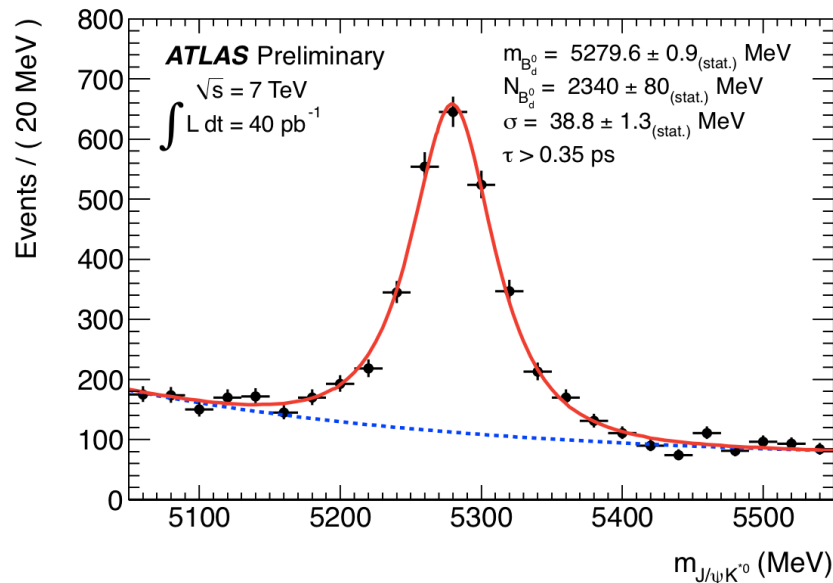
Select 2 additional tracks, assume  $K^{*0} \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$  or  $\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$

Fit 4-track vertex; constrain  $\mu^+ \mu^-$  to  $M(J/\psi)$

Apply cuts on  $M(\phi)$  or  $M(K^{*0})$

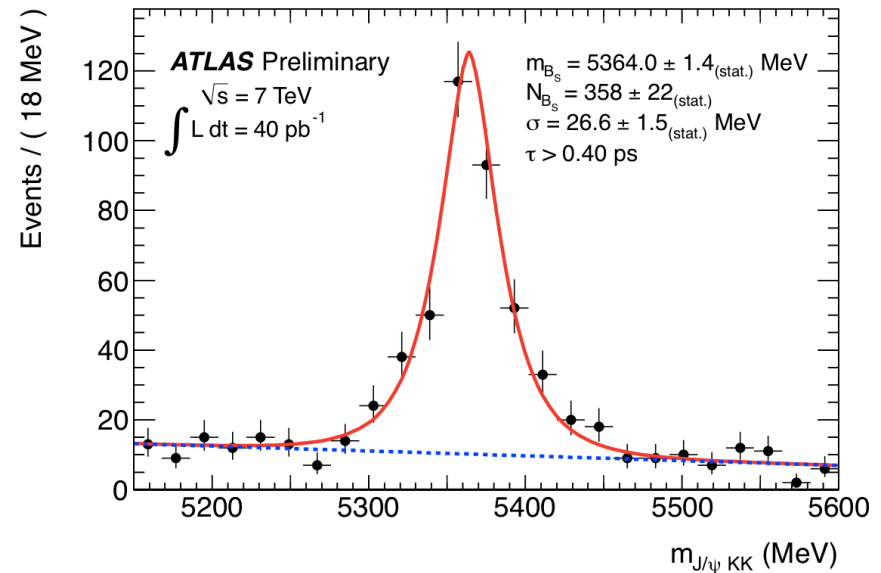
Unbinned maximum likelihood fit: Gaussian signal, linear background

$B_d^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$  and  
anti- $B_d^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$



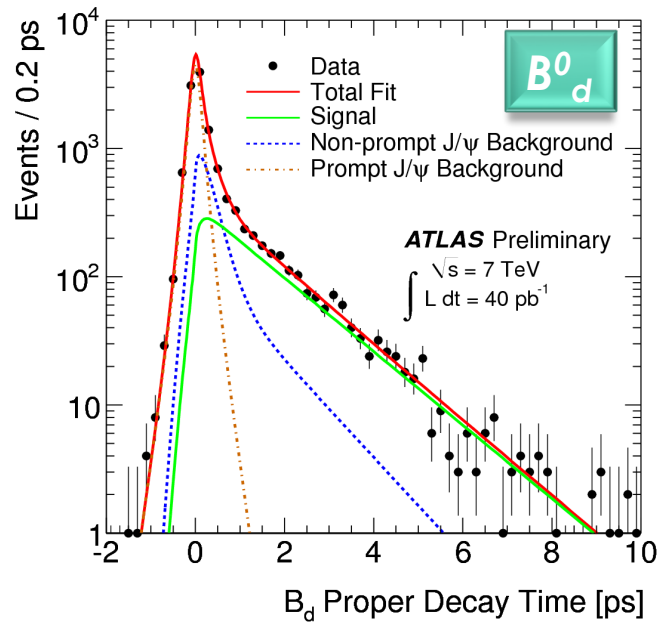
The solid line is the projection of the result of the unbinned maximum likelihood fit to all candidates in the mass range from 5050 MeV to 5550 MeV.

$B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$



The solid line is the projection of the result of the unbinned maximum likelihood fit to all  $J/\psi (\mu^+ \mu^-) \phi (KK)$  candidates in the mass range from 5150 MeV to 5600 MeV.

# The $B_d^0$ and $B_s^0$ lifetimes in the decay modes $B_d^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^0$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$



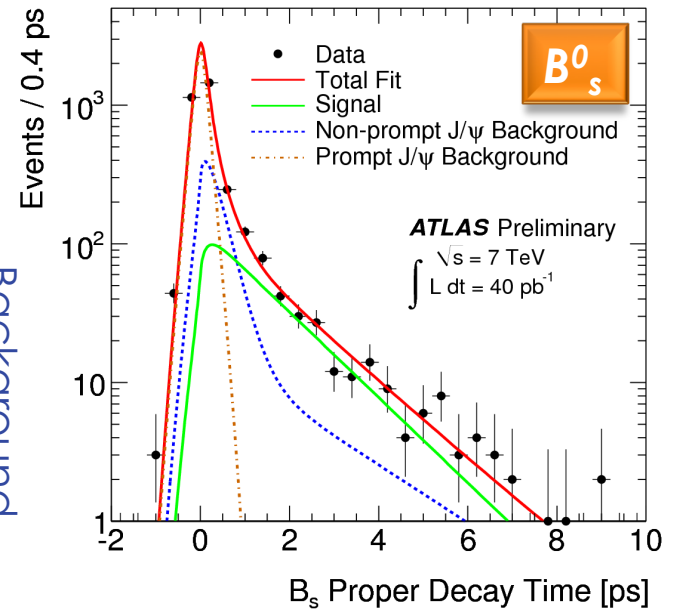
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lifetime projection of the simultaneous mass and lifetime fit

the proper decay time functions of the promptly produced  $J/\psi$

the proper decay time functions of the non-prompt  $J/\psi$

Background



$B_d^0$  lifetime:  $\tau_{B_d} = 1.51 \pm 0.04$  (stat)  $\pm 0.04$  (syst) ps  
 $B_s^0$  lifetime:  $\tau_{B_s} \text{ single} = 1.41 \pm 0.08$  (stat)  $\pm 0.05$  (syst) ps

The fitted lifetimes of both  $B$  mesons are consistent with the world average values

# D-mesons production

- ✓ *D-mesons are produced in c and b fragmentation*
- ✓ *c and b quark production are hard processes ( $m_Q \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ )*
- ✓ *Theoretical calculations available up to NLO+NNLO level*
- ✓ *Still large theoretical uncertainties (scales, multiple interactions)*

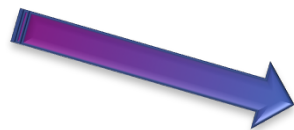
**Reconstruction of D-mesons already feasible with first ATLAS data due to:**

- ✧ *large cross-section values*
- ✧ *clean D-meson signatures*
- ✧ *precise ATLAS tracking and vertexing*

expected cc and bb cross sections in p-p collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV:

$\sigma(\text{cc}) \sim 4.4 \text{ mb}$   $\sigma(\text{bb}) \sim 0.24 \text{ mb}$

*first charm processes reconstructed in ATLAS:*



$$D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ \rightarrow (K^- \pi^+) \pi^+ (+\text{c.c.})$$

$$D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ (+\text{c.c.})$$

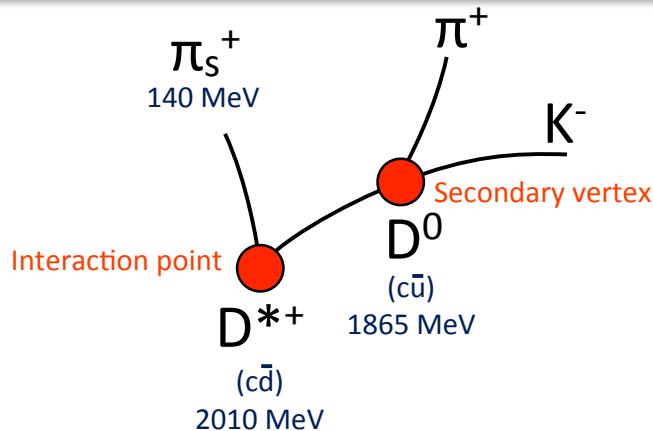
$$D_s^+ \rightarrow \Phi \pi^+ \rightarrow (K^- K^+) \pi^+ (+\text{c.c.})$$

# D-mesons production: $D^*$

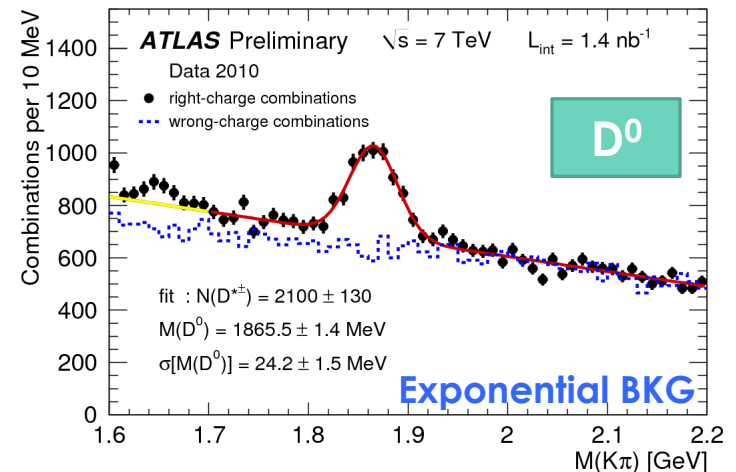
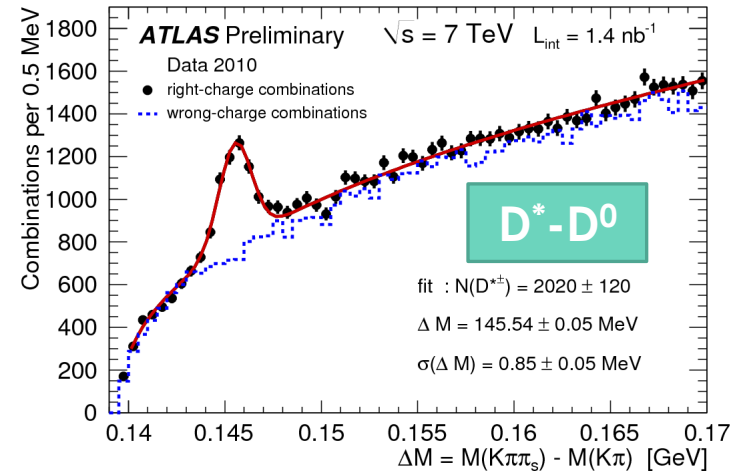
Build  $D^0$  signal from  $M(K\pi)$  for  $D^{*\pm}$  candidates  
Additional discrimination from mass difference  
 $\Delta M = M(K\pi\pi_s) - M(K\pi)$

Use presence of secondary vertex and properties of hard process to guide cut selection to enhance signal

$$D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+_{\text{soft}} \rightarrow (K^- \pi^+) \pi^+_{\text{soft}} (+c.c.)$$



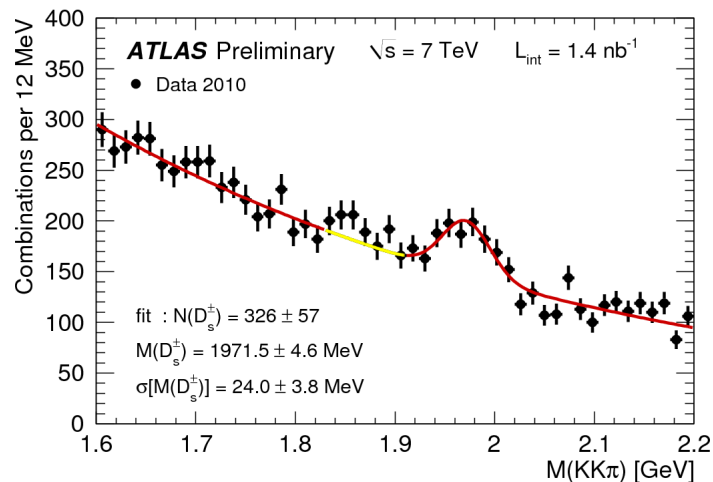
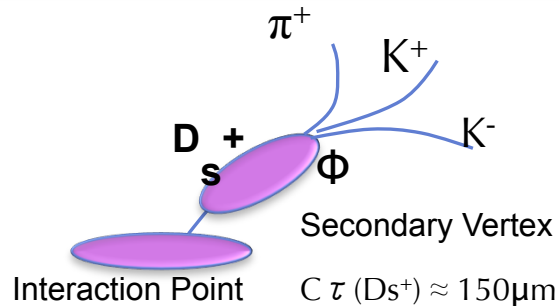
- ✧ Hard production and fragmentation cuts on  $p_T(D^*)$ ,  $p_T(K, \pi)$ ,  $p_T(D^*)/\sum E_T$
- ✧ Charge constraints  $q(K) = -q(\pi, \pi_s)$
- ✧ Vertex reconstruction  $D^{*\pm}$ ,  $D^0$
- ✧ Decay length  $L_{XY}(D^0) > 0$



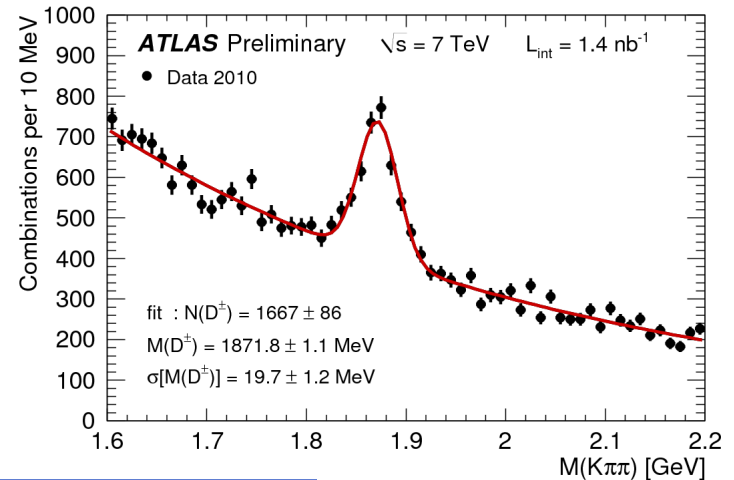
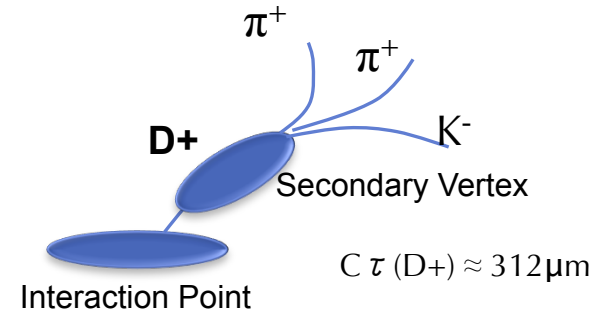
| Mesons      | PDG Mass (MeV)     | ATLAS Mass (MeV)  |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| $D^* - D^0$ | $145.42 \pm 0.01$  | $145.54 \pm 0.05$ |
| $D^0$       | $1864.83 \pm 0.14$ | $1865.5 \pm 1.4$  |

# D-mesons production: $D_s^+$ and $D^+$

$$D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+ \rightarrow (K^- K^+) \pi^+ (+c.c.)$$

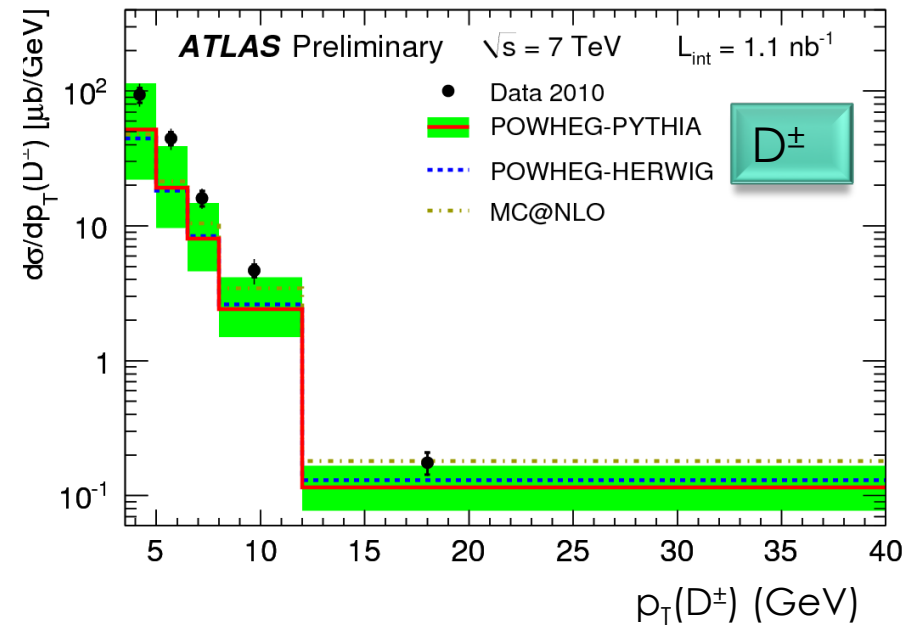
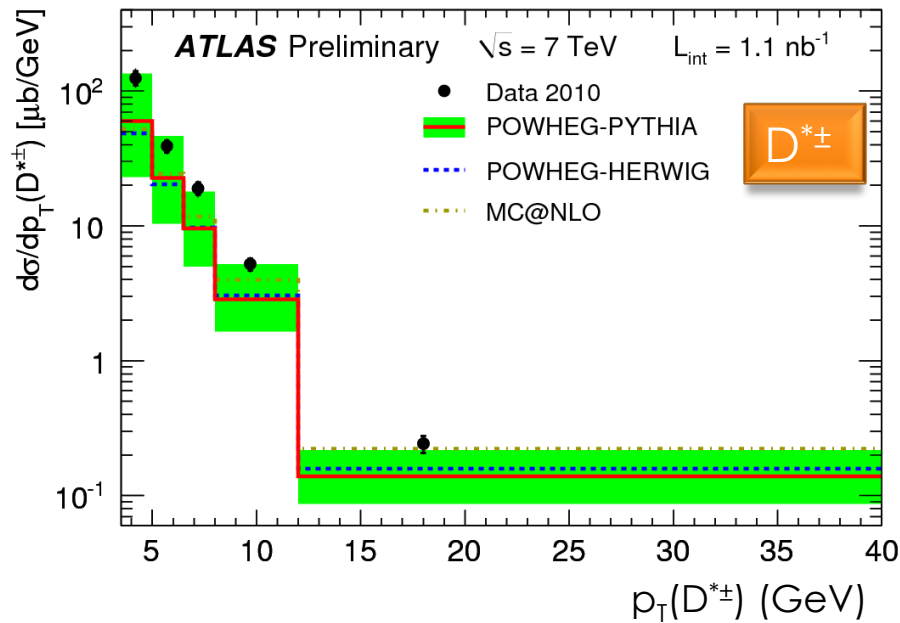


$$D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ (+c.c.)$$



| Mesons    | PDG Mass (MeV)     | ATLAS Mass (MeV) |
|-----------|--------------------|------------------|
| $D^\pm$   | $1869.60 \pm 0.16$ | $1871.8 \pm 1.1$ |
| $D_s^\pm$ | $1968.47 \pm 0.33$ | $1971.5 \pm 4.6$ |

# D meson differential cross sections w.r.t. $p_T$

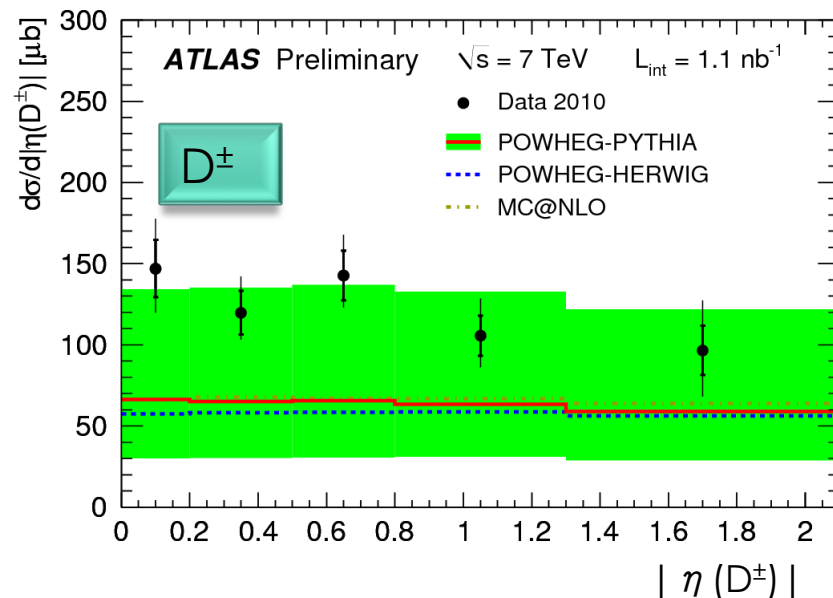
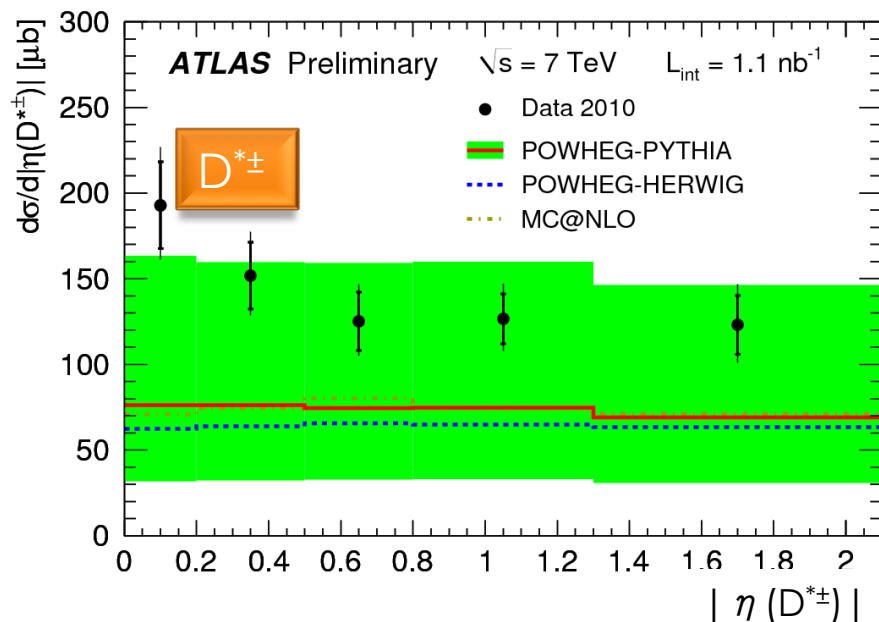


Cross-section uncertainties from:

- ✧ Track reconstruction and selection
- ✧ D meson selection
- ✧ Model dependence of acceptance
- ✧ Signal fits
- ✧ Luminosity and branching ratios

Data higher than NLO predictions, but within large theoretical (scale) uncertainties

# D meson differential cross sections w.r.t. $\eta$



**Integral cross sections in the kinematic range  $p_T(D^{(*)}) > 3.5 \text{ GeV}$  and  $|\eta(D^{(*)})| < 2.1$**

**ATLAS measurement with  $1.1 \text{ nb}^{-1}$**

$$\sigma^{\text{vis}}(D^{*\pm}) = 285 \pm 16(\text{stat.})_{-27}^{+32}(\text{syst.}) \pm 31(\text{lum.}) \pm 4(\text{br.}) \mu\text{b}$$

$$\sigma^{\text{vis}}(D^{\pm}) = 238 \pm 13(\text{stat.})_{-23}^{+35}(\text{syst.}) \pm 26(\text{lum.}) \pm 10(\text{br.}) \mu\text{b}$$

$$\sigma^{\text{vis}}(D_s^{\pm}) = 168 \pm 34(\text{stat.})_{-25}^{+27}(\text{syst.}) \pm 18(\text{lum.}) \pm 10(\text{br.}) \mu\text{b}$$

**POWHEG predictions**

$$\sigma(D^{*\pm}) = 153_{-80}^{+169}(\text{scale})_{-15}^{+13}(m_Q)_{-21}^{+24}(\text{PDF})_{-16}^{+20}(\text{hadr.}) \mu\text{b}$$

$$\sigma(D^{\pm}) = 132_{-65}^{+137}(\text{scale})_{-10}^{+11}(m_Q)_{-18}^{+20}(\text{PDF})_{-11}^{+21}(\text{hadr.}) \mu\text{b}$$

$$\sigma(D_s^{\pm}) = 59_{-28}^{+57}(\text{scale})_{-6}^{+4}(m_Q)_{-8}^{+9}(\text{PDF})_{-8}^{+7}(\text{hadr.}) \mu\text{b}$$

# Summary and Outlook

Many interesting results from the first year of data in ATLAS:

- D meson states observed and cross section measured.

**ATLAS-CONF-2011-017**

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

**ATLAS-CONF-2010-098**

- Observation of  $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi (\mu \mu) K^{0*}$  and  $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi (\mu \mu) \phi$  and measurement of their lifetime.

**ATLAS-CONF-2011-050, ATLAS-CONF-2011-092**

## 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.