

Production and Decays of Heavy Flavours in ATLAS



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- 1) Quarkonium production
- 2) $\psi(2s)$, χ_{cj} and $W+J/\psi$ production
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- 4) Open states: B^+ production

C. HF Decay:

- 1) Observation of $B_c^* \rightarrow B_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$
- 2) Measurement of $BR(B^+ \rightarrow \chi_c + K^+)$
- 3) Parity violation in $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda_0$
- 4) Study of the decay $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}(K\pi) \mu^+ \mu^-$

D. Conclusions

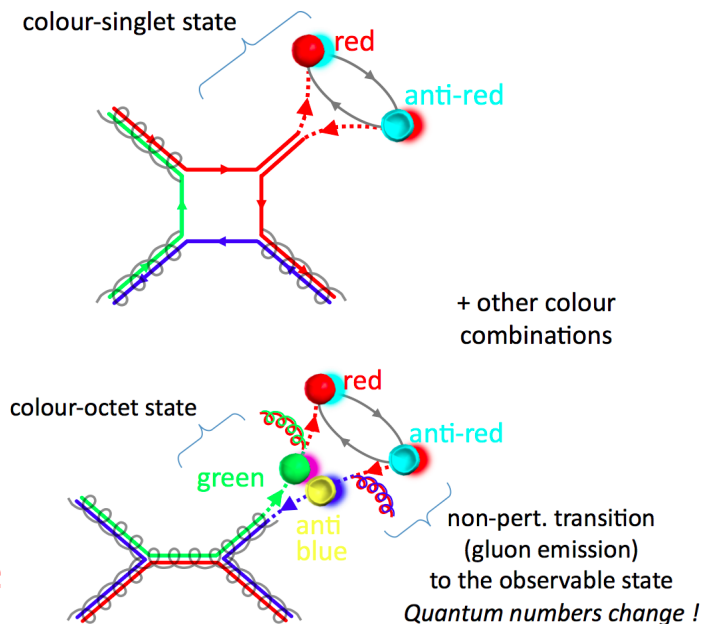
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A.1 General framework

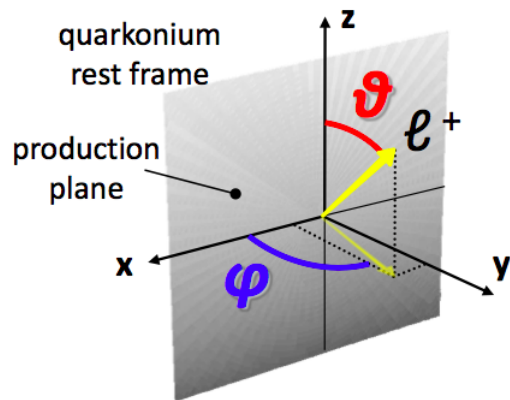
Heavy Quark (HQ) production \Rightarrow crucial QCD test:

- Color Singlet Model (CSM) improvement with NLO, NNLO* calculations;
- Color Octet Model (NRQCD) with LO, NLO;
- Other models: CEM and k_T Factorization

Theory \Leftrightarrow experiments: **LHC as high p_T probe**



Degree of Polarization (spin alignment)



- **divergent** theoretical predictions and **ambiguous** experimental results

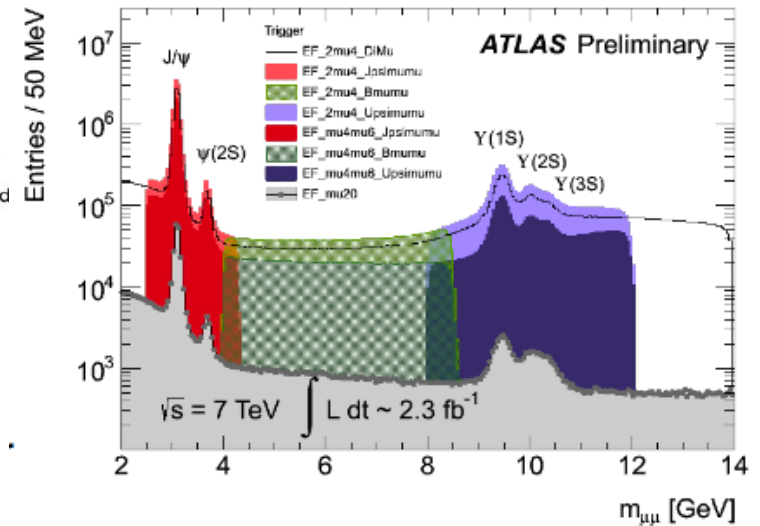
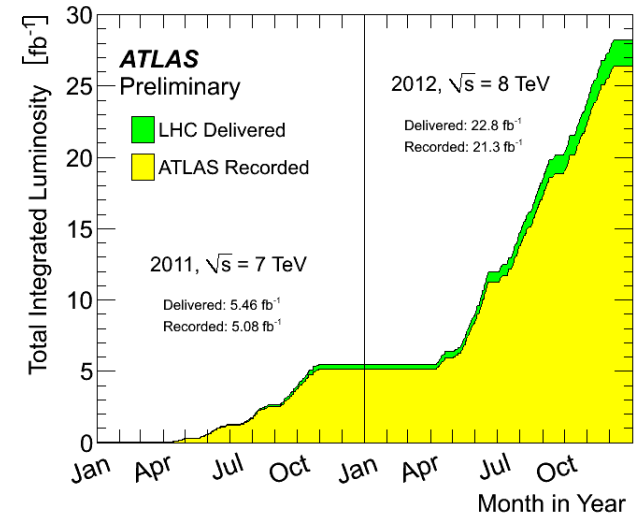
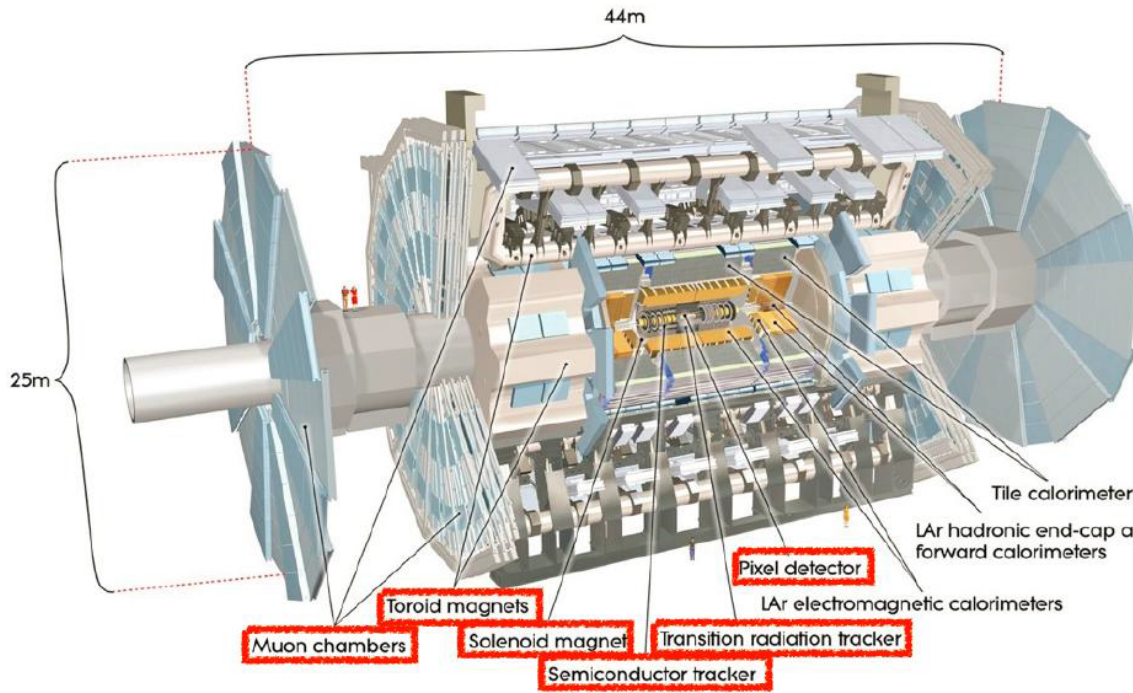
$$\frac{d^2N}{d \cos \theta^* d \phi^*} \propto \left(\frac{1}{3 + \lambda_\theta} \right) (1 + \lambda_\theta \cos^2 \theta^* + \lambda_\phi \sin^2 \theta^* \cos 2\phi^* + \lambda_{\theta\phi} \sin 2\theta^* \cos \phi^*)$$

- important for data correction: **(25–30)%** variation at low p_T

LHC: **large b statistics** \Rightarrow new spectroscopy, test of SM, possible evidence for physics BSM (e.g. Rare processes / small amplitudes)

A.2 Experimental aspects

Excellent Run I LHC performance: $L \sim 26 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



- **Muon Spectrometer (MS):** triggering $|\eta| < 2.4$ and precision tracking $|\eta| < 2.7$
- **Inner Detector (ID):** Silicon Pixel and Strips (SCT) with Transition Radiation Tracker (TRT), $|\eta| < 2.5$
- **EM calorimeter**

Trigger: mainly di-muon p_T^μ thresholds (4 – 4) GeV or (4-6) GeV

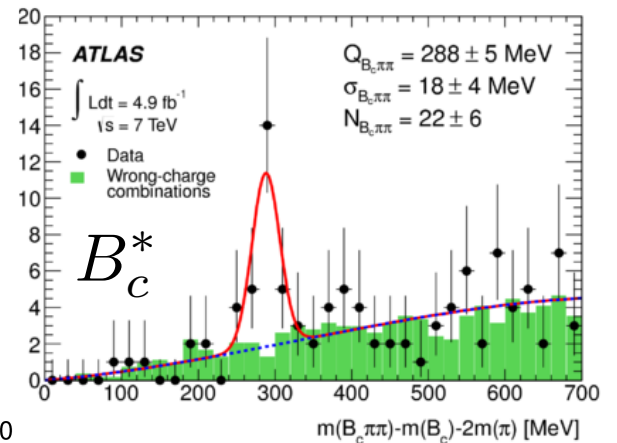
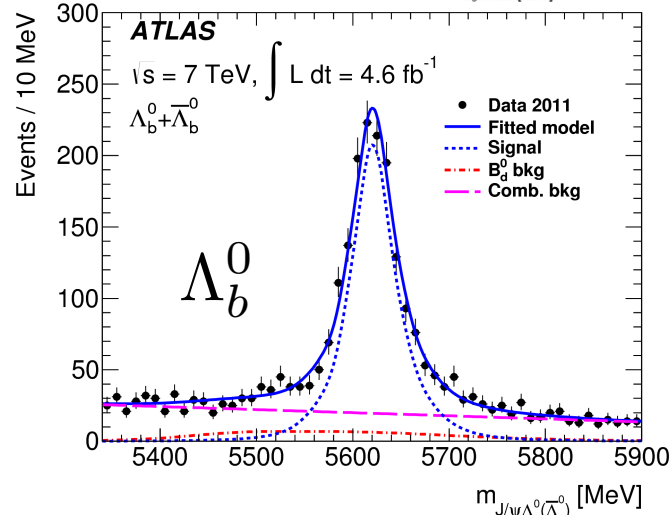
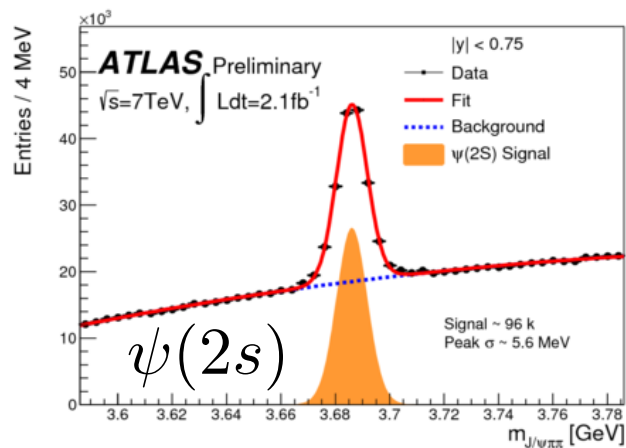
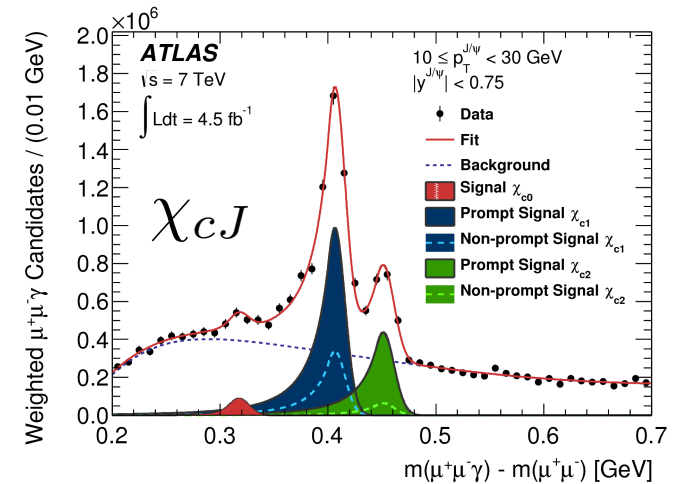
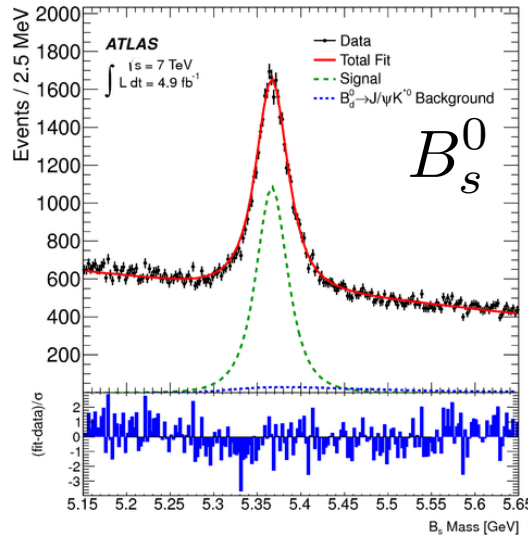
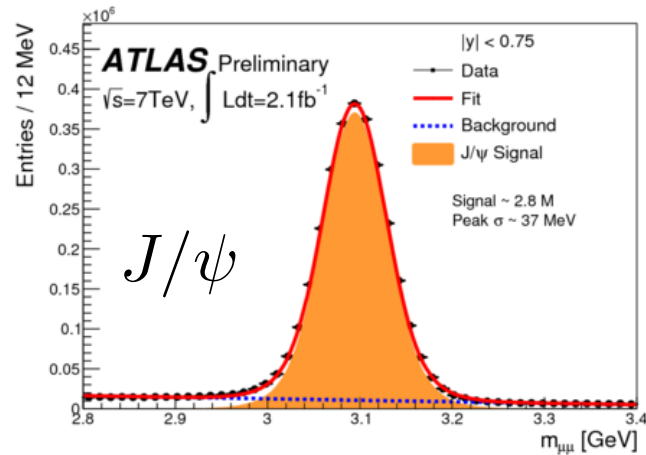
Several results from 2011 data

$$\mathcal{L} \approx 4.57 \text{ fb}^{-1}, \quad \sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$$

Mass reconstruction \Rightarrow key tool in HF @ ATLAS:

- $(\mu^+\mu^-) \Rightarrow J/\psi, Y$
- $(J/\psi + \text{trks}) \Rightarrow \Psi, \text{exclusive B}$
- $\Delta m = m(\mu^+\mu^- \gamma) - m(\mu^+\mu^-)$ “resolution”

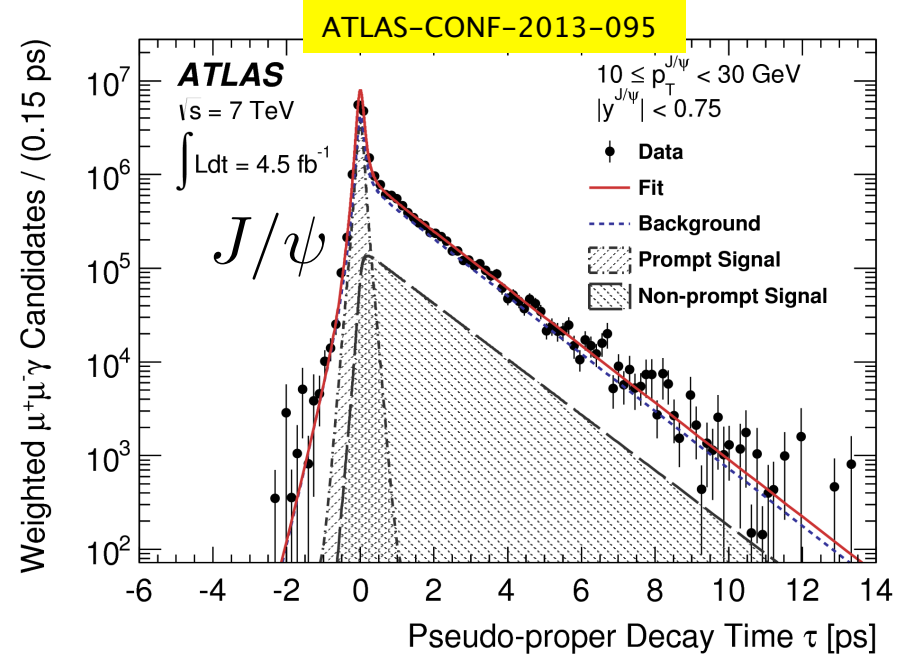
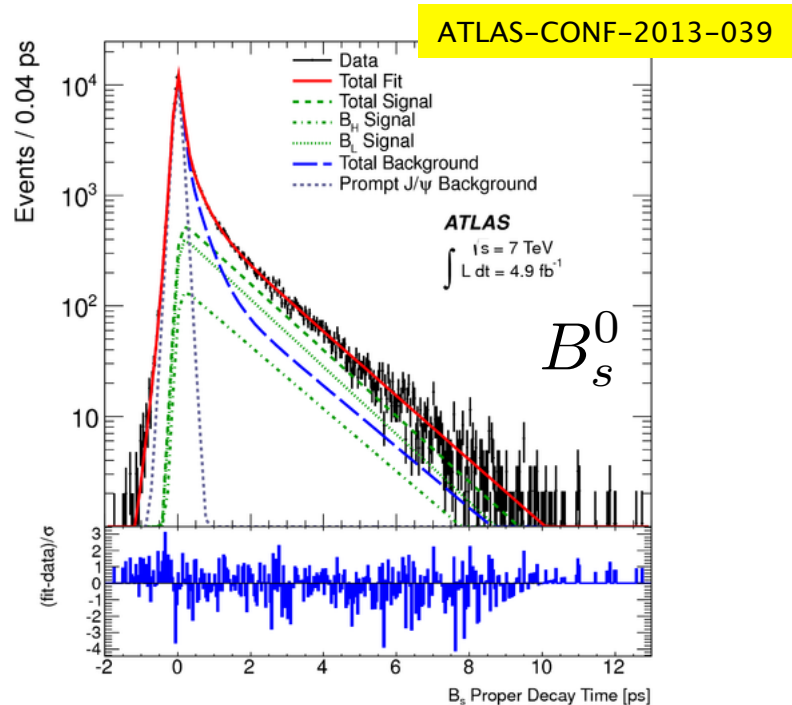
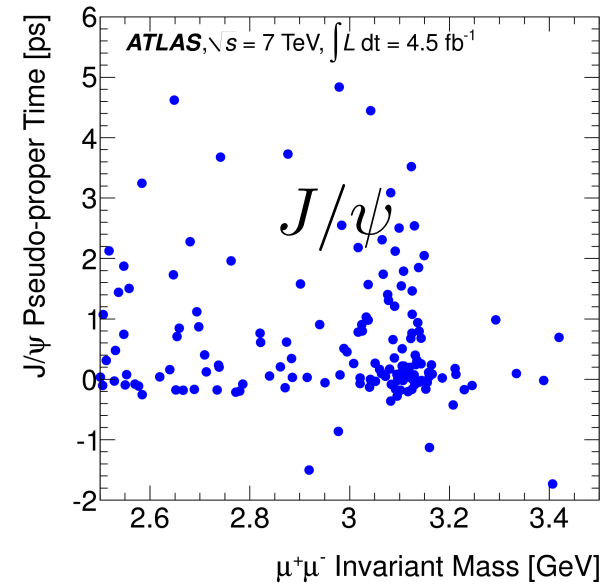
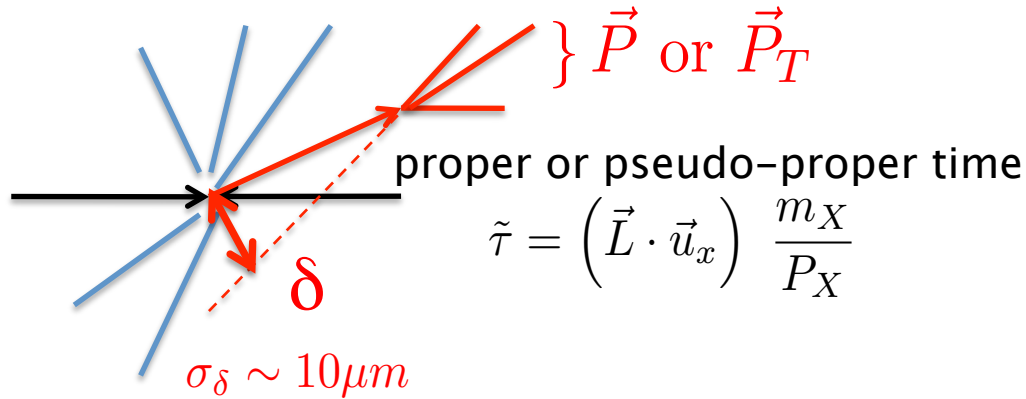
- reconstr. $\epsilon_{\text{trk}} = 99\%$
- $(\sigma_{p_T} / p_T) \approx 0.05$ up to 60 GeV
- $\sigma_m \sim (50-100)\text{MeV}$
- high S/B



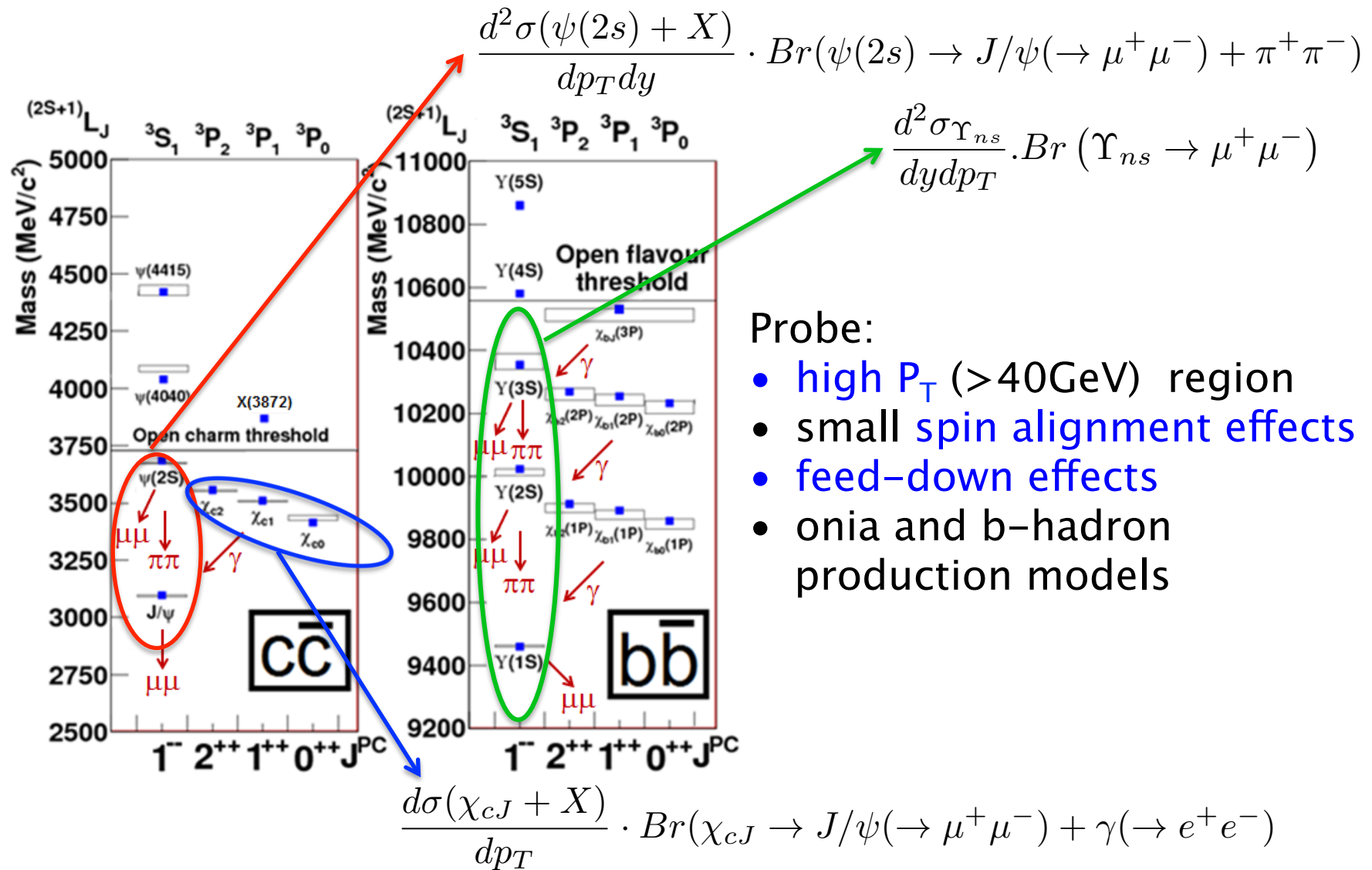
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Excellent tracking & vertexing \Rightarrow primary & secondary vertices

- prompt / non-prompt separation
- background reduction



B.1 Quarkonium production



Probe:

- high P_T (>40GeV) region
- small spin alignment effects
- feed-down effects
- onia and b-hadron production models

P-states: just below open charm threshold \Rightarrow reduce feed-down

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma(pp \rightarrow Q + X)}{dp_T dy} \cdot Br(Q \rightarrow \mu\mu) = \frac{N_{corr}^{Q \rightarrow \mu\mu}}{\mathcal{L} \cdot \Delta p_T \cdot \Delta y}$$

Signal yield: unbinned maximum likelihood fits $\Rightarrow \sigma_{stat} \sim \text{few \%}$

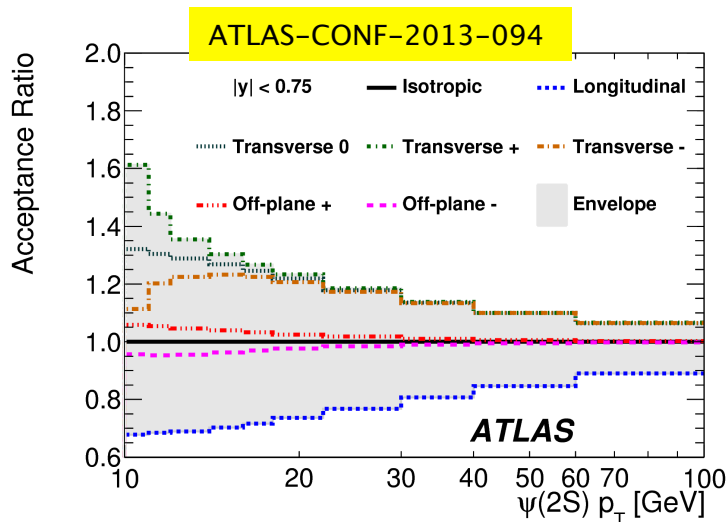
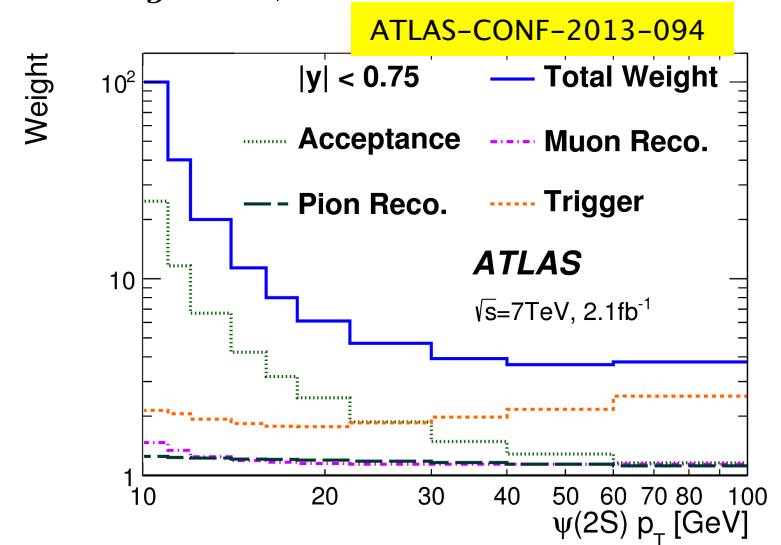
- $N_{corr}^{Q \rightarrow \mu\mu}$: signal yield corrected for efficiency and acceptance
- \mathcal{L} : integrated luminosity corresponding to the sample
- $\Delta p_T(y)$: interval bin of the differential variable

correction weight: $w = (\epsilon_{trk} \cdot \epsilon_{\mu} \cdot \epsilon_{trig} \cdot \mathcal{A})^{-1}$

$\epsilon(p_T^{(\mu)}, \eta^{(\mu)})$ efficiencies \rightarrow data driven methods to reduce uncertainties (e.g. tag and probe)

$\mathcal{A}(p_T, y)$ acceptance corrections [recover full phase space, esp. @ low P_T] \rightarrow simulation

Total systematic uncertainty $\sim (5-10)\%$



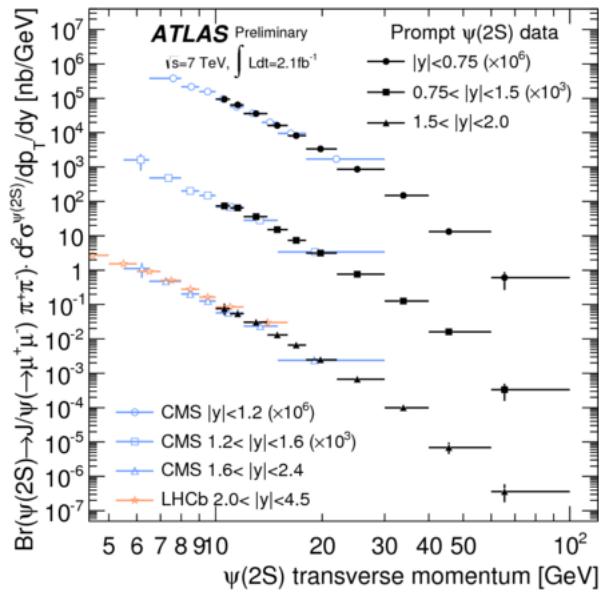
Acceptance \Leftrightarrow spin alignment
isotropic case + envelope due to different polarization states

Acceptance variations may reach $\sim (10-30)\%$

B.2 $\psi(2s)$, χ_{cj} production

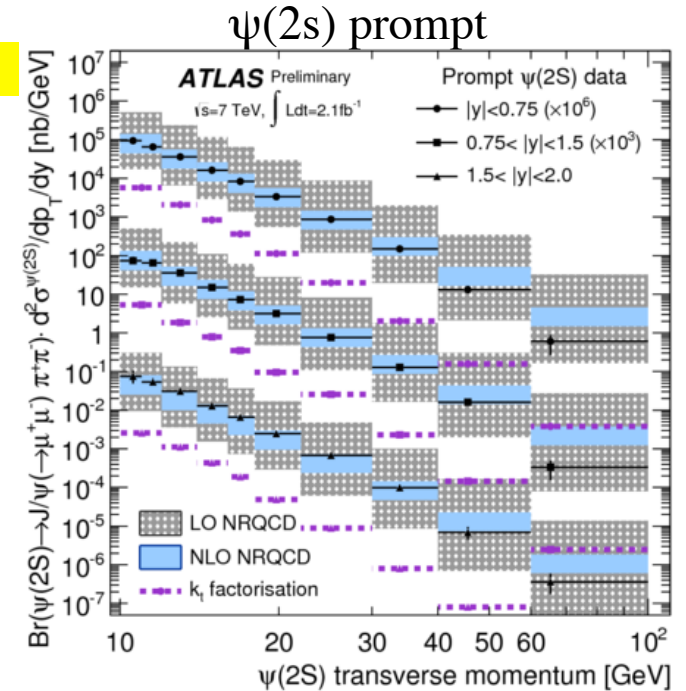
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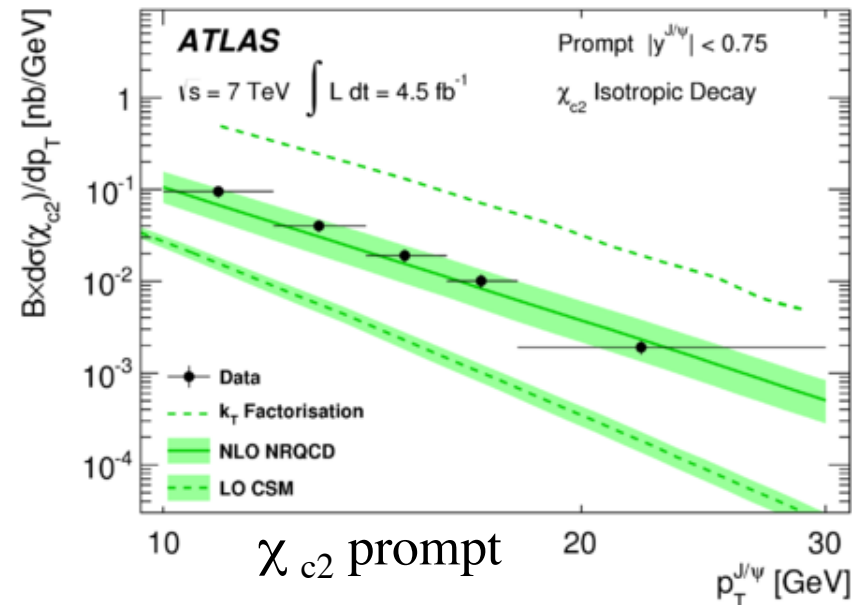
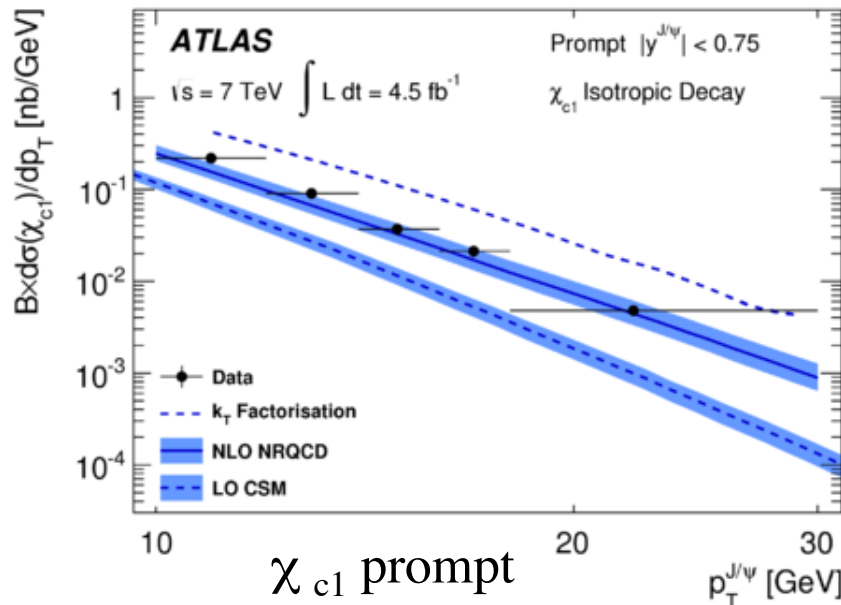


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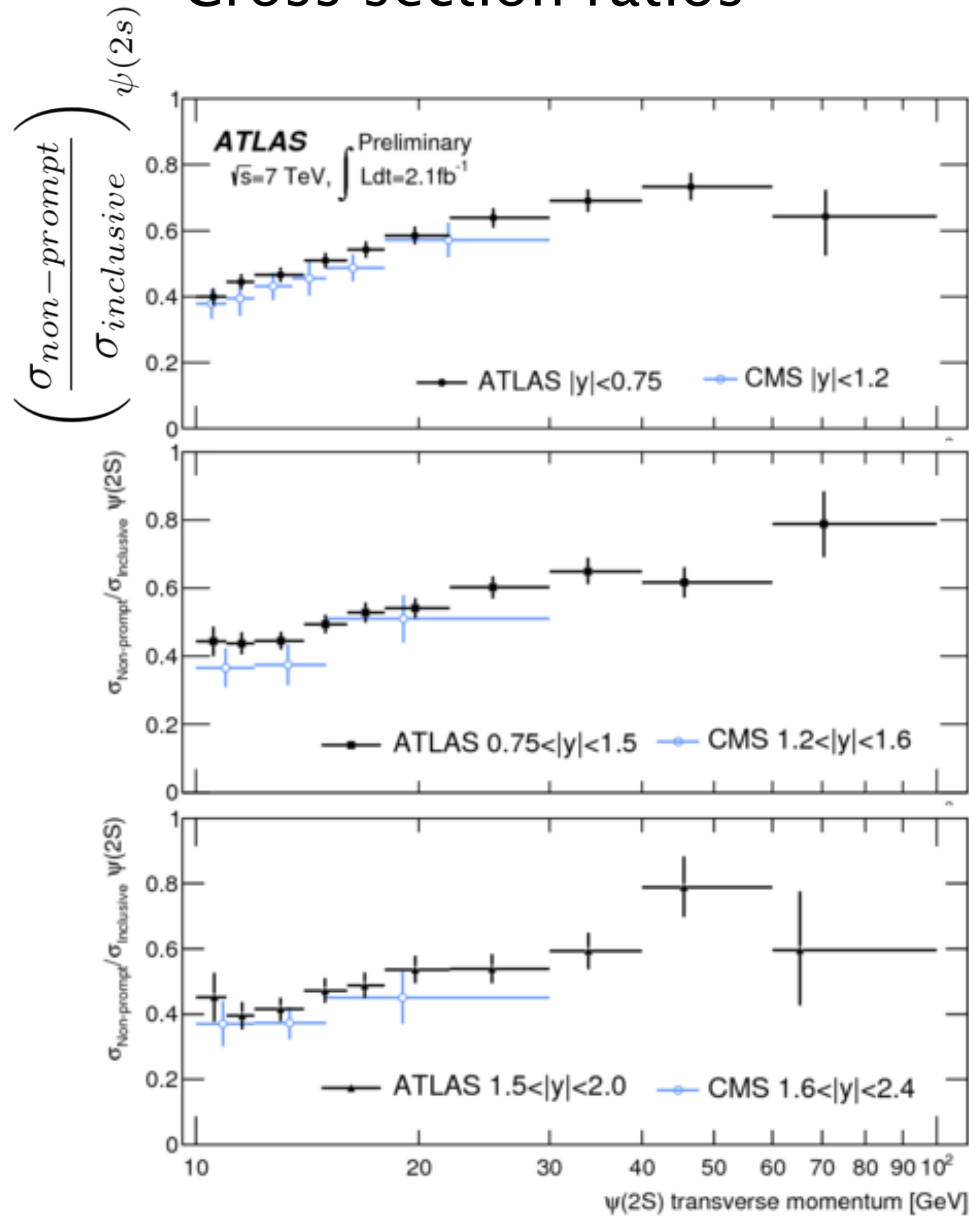
- Good agreement with NRQCD LO and NLO @ low/medium p_T
- New high p_T territory \rightarrow deviations
- CSM & k_T models may need higher order contributions



Agreement with CMS & LHCb. ATLAS reaching the “uncharted” high P_T region!



Cross section ratios

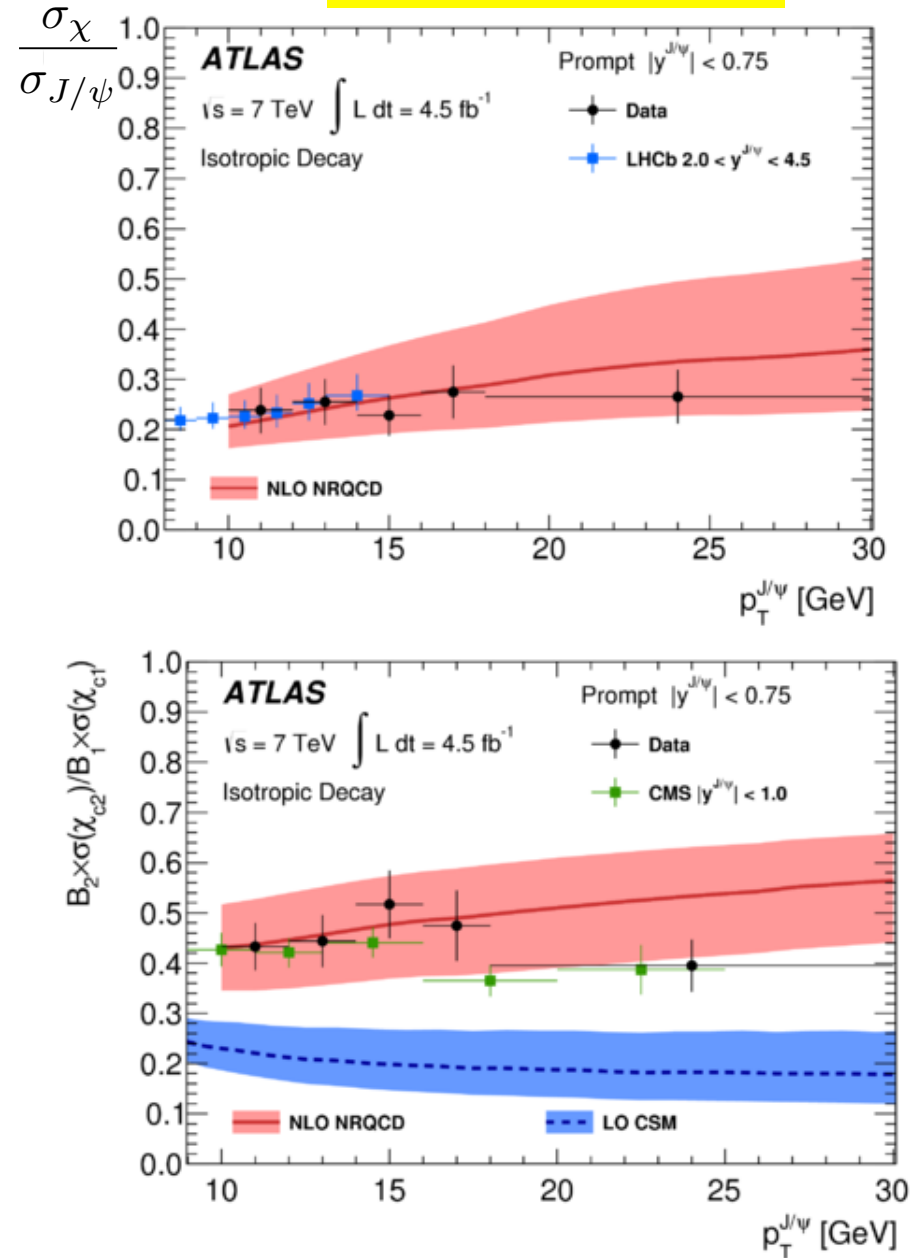


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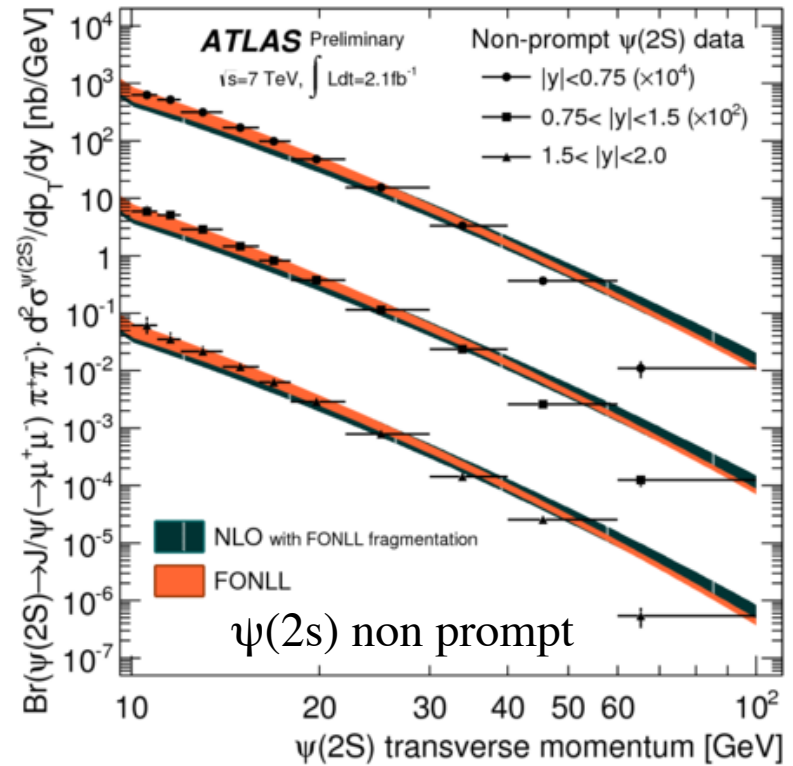
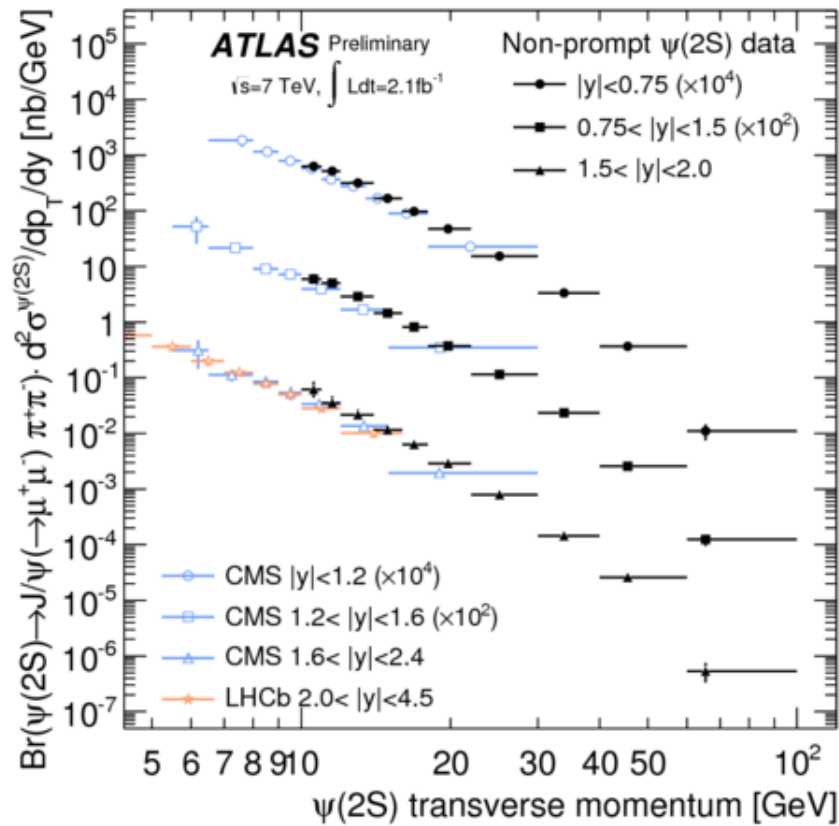
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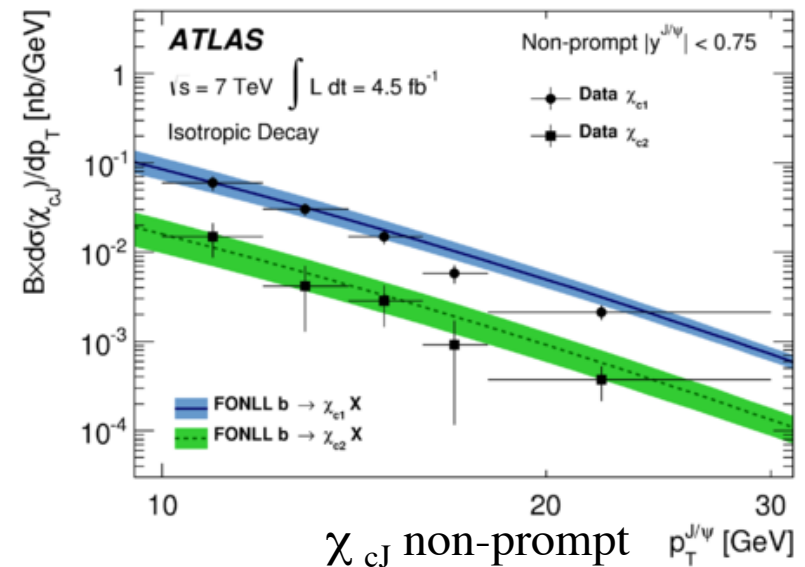


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Non-prompt:

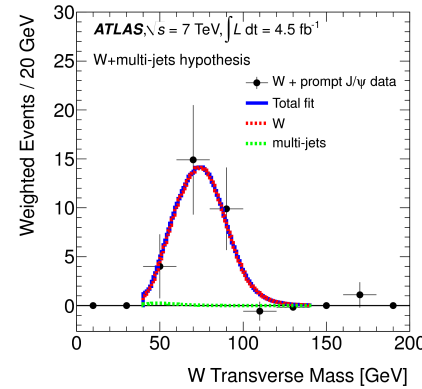
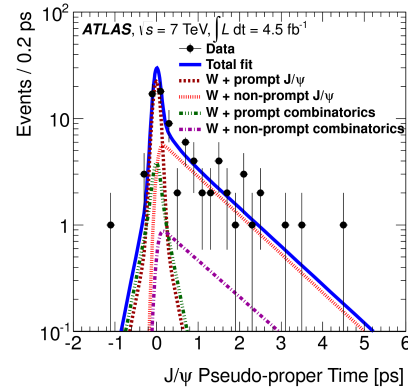
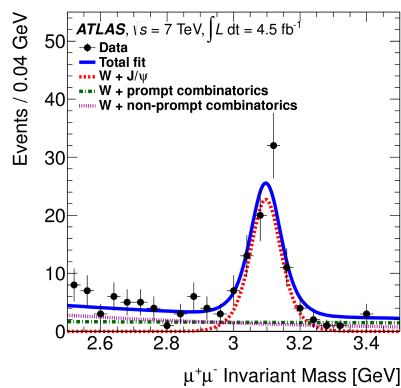
- $\psi(2s)$ @ low p_T agrees w FONLL & NLO, model improvements needed @ higher p_T
- χ_{cJ} generally in good agreement, but limited p_T range



W + J/ψ production

- Test ccbar production modes
- Probe for Higgs/BSM physics

$$\frac{1}{\sigma(W)} \frac{d^2\sigma(W+J/\Psi)}{dp_T dy} \cdot Br(J/\Psi \rightarrow \mu\mu) \cdot Br(W \rightarrow \mu\nu_\mu) \quad \text{single } \mu \text{ trigger : } p_T^{thr} \geq 18 \text{ GeV}$$

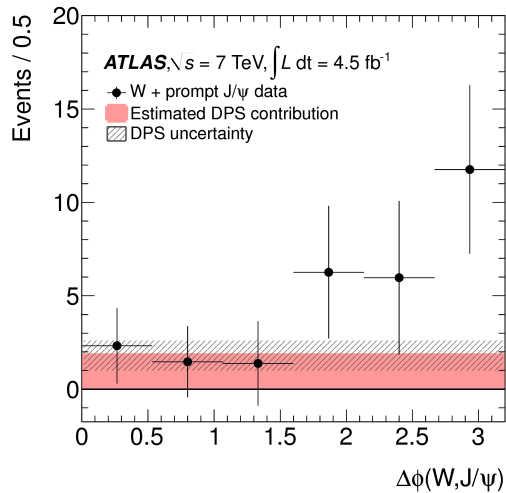


Yields frac	
Process	Total
Prompt J/ψ	29.2 ^{+7.5} _{-6.5} (*)
Non-prompt J/ψ	41.8 ^{+8.4} _{-7.3}
Prompt background	39.2 ^{+8.6} _{-7.3}
Non-prompt background	39.0 ^{+8.4} _{-7.1}
p-value	2.1 × 10 ⁻⁷
Significance (σ)	5.1

(*) of which 1.8 ± 0.2 original

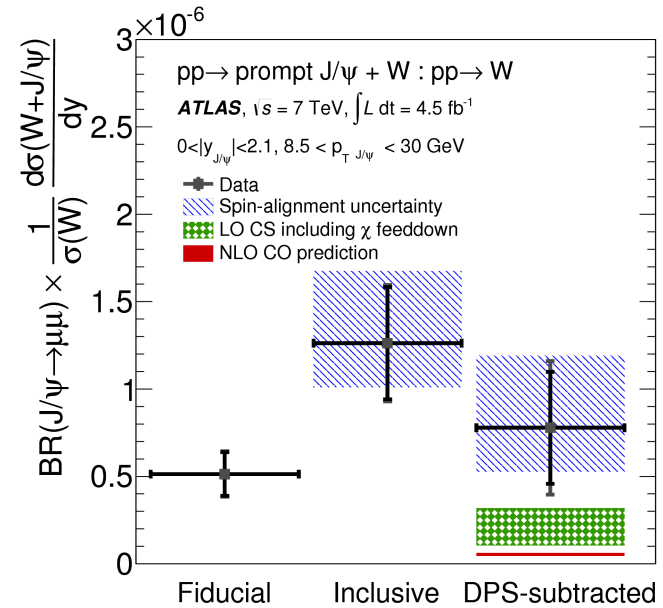
Double Parton Scattering (DPS) contribution

$$d\sigma^{DPS}(W + J/\psi) = d\sigma_W \cdot \underbrace{\frac{d\sigma_{J/\psi}}{\sigma_{eff}}}_{P_{J/\psi|W}}$$



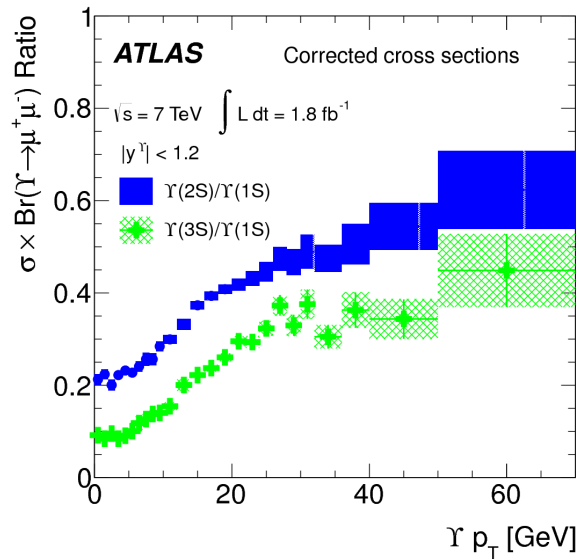
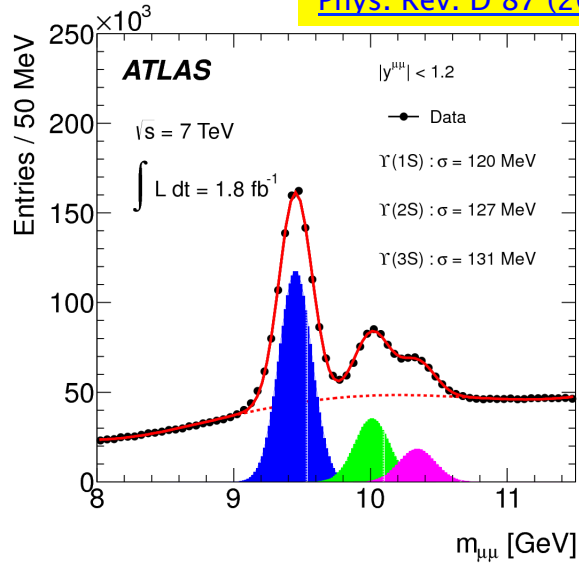
$$\begin{cases} \sigma_{J/\Psi}(ATLAS : J/\Psi \text{ prompt}) \\ \sigma_{eff} = (ATLAS : W + 2j) \\ \sigma_W \text{ (this analysis)} \end{cases} \Rightarrow N_{DPS} = 10.8 \pm 4.2 \quad (\sim 35\%)$$

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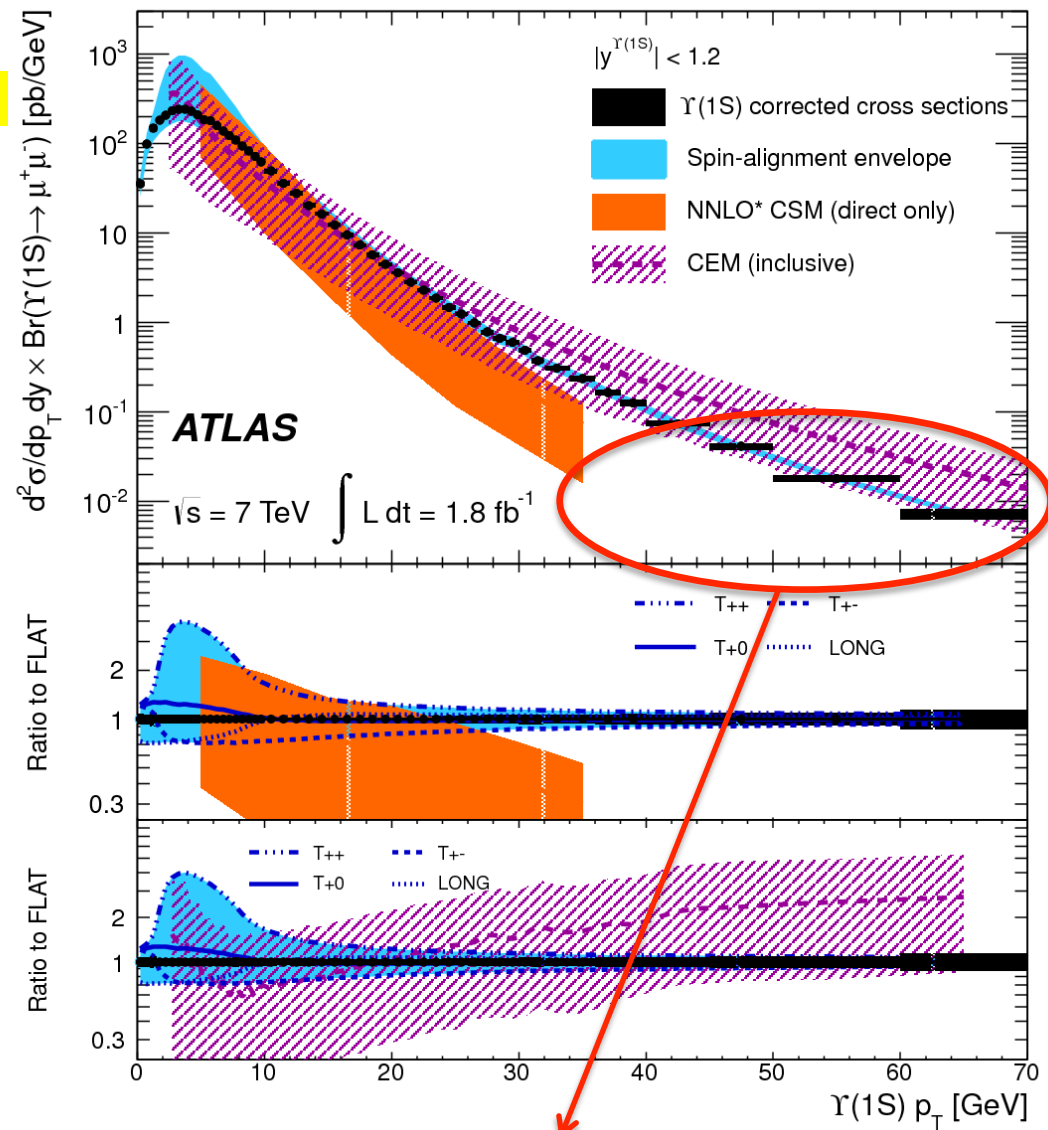


B.3 $\Upsilon(1s,2s,3s)$ production

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σ ratios \Rightarrow test predictions



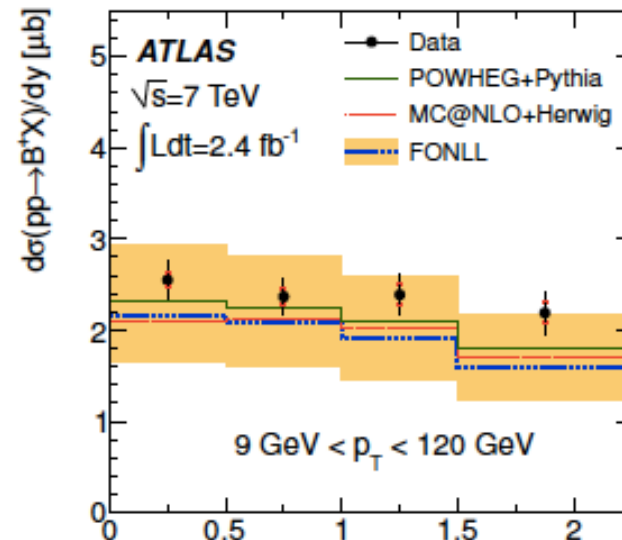
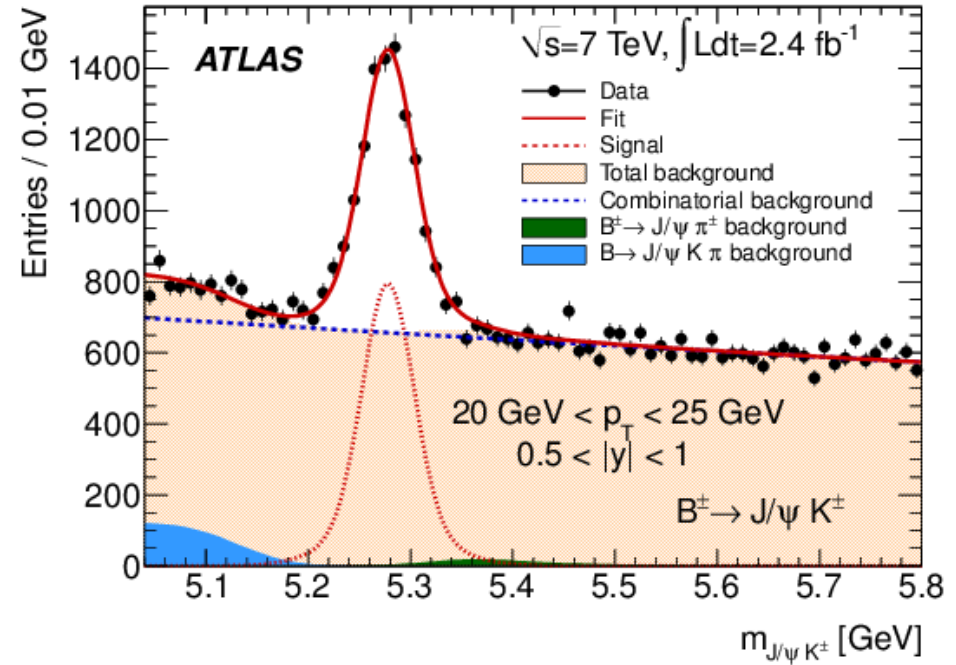
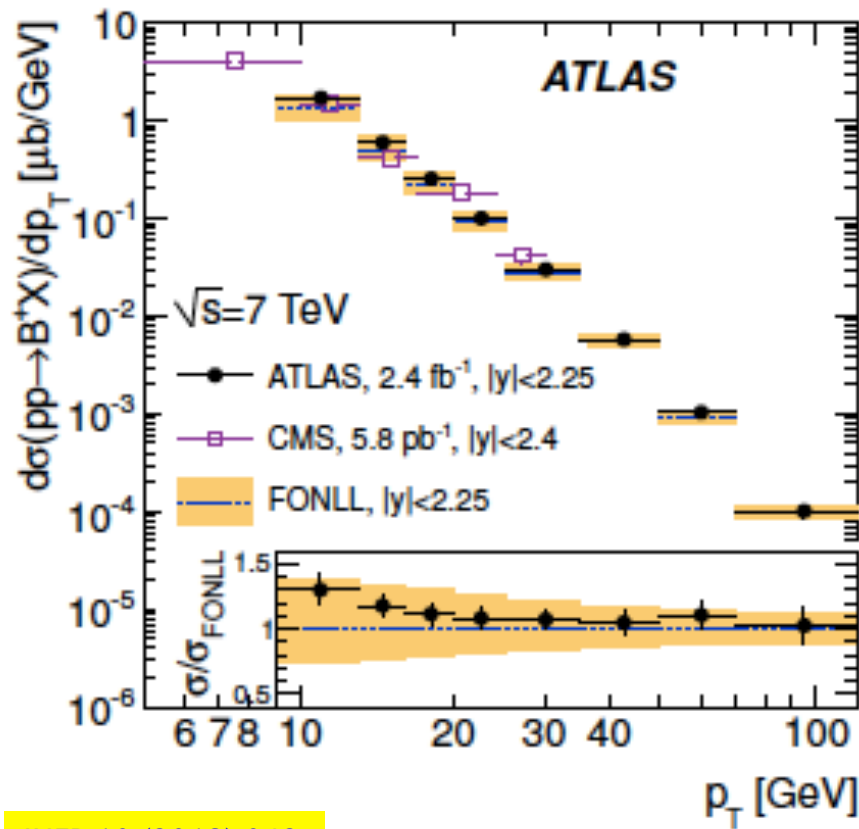
Disagreement w theory (NNLO CSM & CEM) at high P_T (where spin alignment/feed-down are reduced)

B.4 B⁺ production Tests b-quark production/fragmentation

$$\frac{d^2\sigma(B^+ + X)}{dp_T dy} \cdot Br(B^+ \rightarrow J/\Psi + K^+)$$

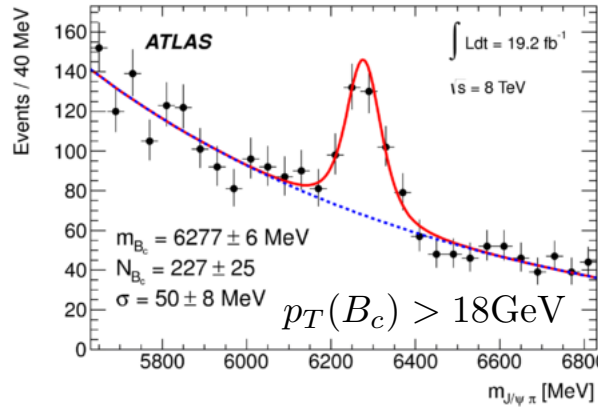
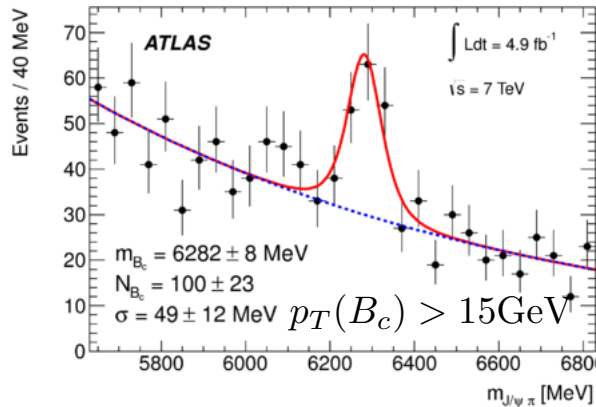
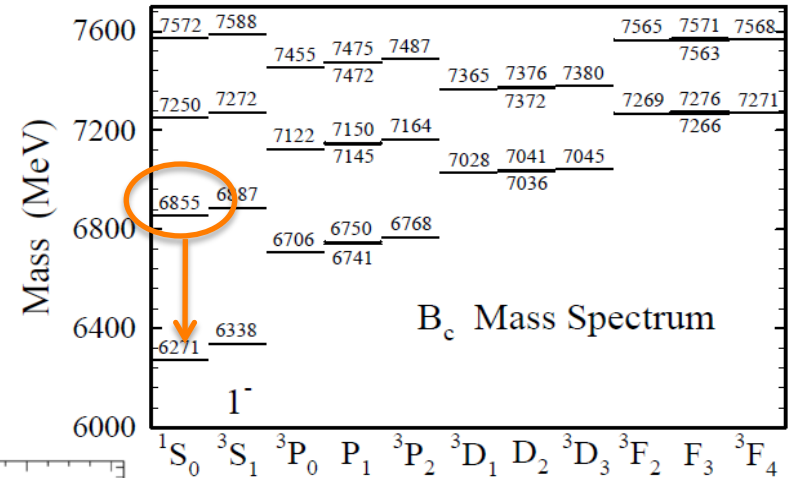
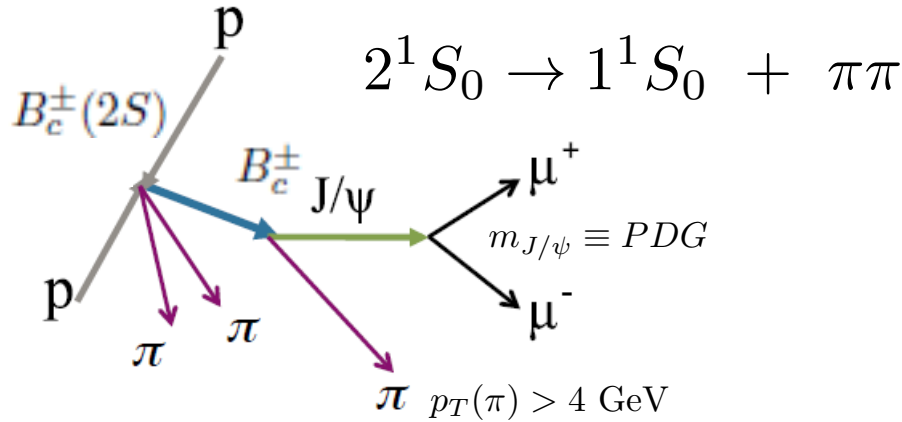
$$p_T^{(B^+)} \geq 9 \text{ GeV}, \quad |y^{(B^+)}| \leq 2, 25$$

$$5.05 \text{ GeV} \leq m_{\mu\mu K} \leq 5.80 \text{ GeV}$$



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C.1 Observation of the excited $B_c^* \rightarrow B_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$



$$B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$$

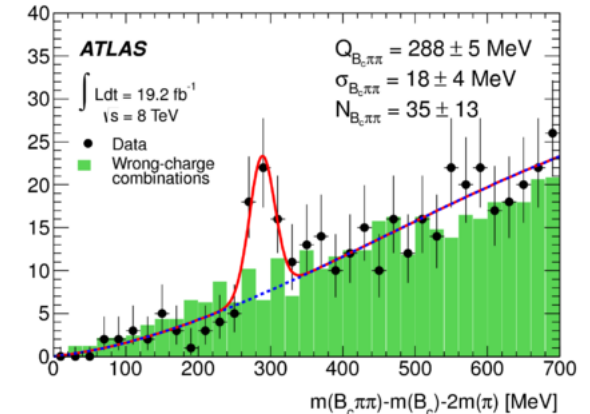
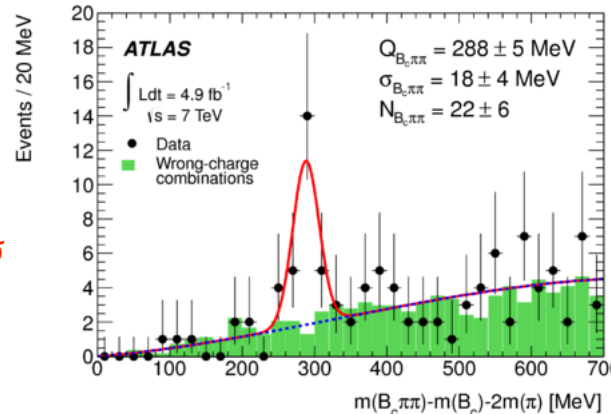
Data	Signal events	Peak mean [MeV]
7 TeV	100 ± 23	6282 ± 8
8 TeV	227 ± 25	6277 ± 6

$$\sigma_{B_c}^{peak} \approx (50 \pm 10) \text{ MeV}$$

$$\begin{cases} N_{B_c^*} = 22 \pm 6 & (\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}) \\ N_{B_c^*} = 35 \pm 13 & (\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}) \\ \sigma_{B_c^*}^{peak} \approx (18 \pm 4) \text{ MeV} \end{cases}$$

Combined significance: **5.2 σ**

- $M = (6442 \pm 4 \pm 5) \text{ MeV}$
- $Q = (288.3 \pm 3.5 \pm 4.1) \text{ MeV}$



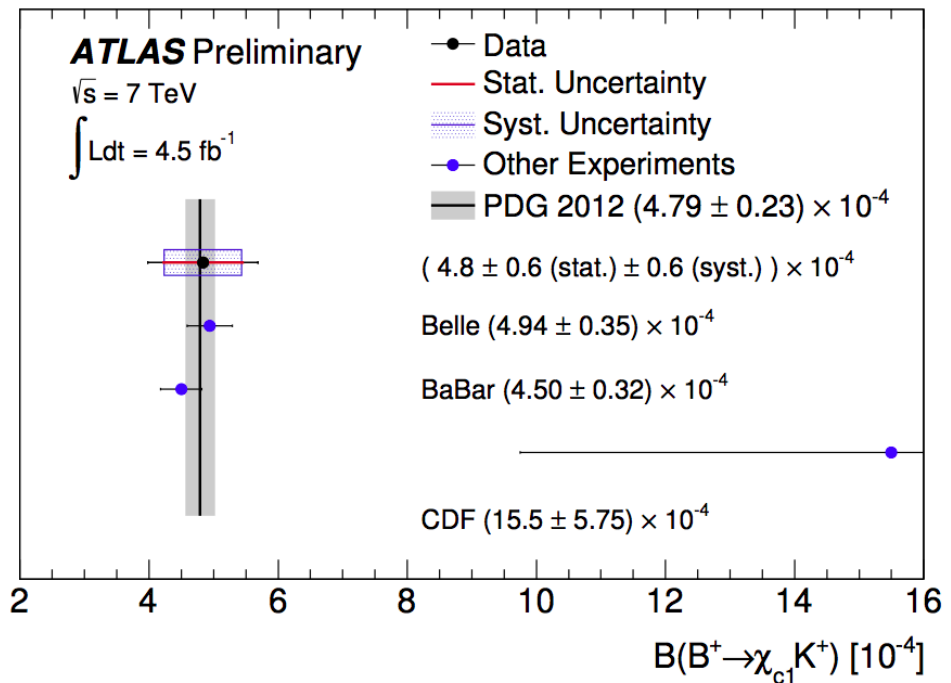
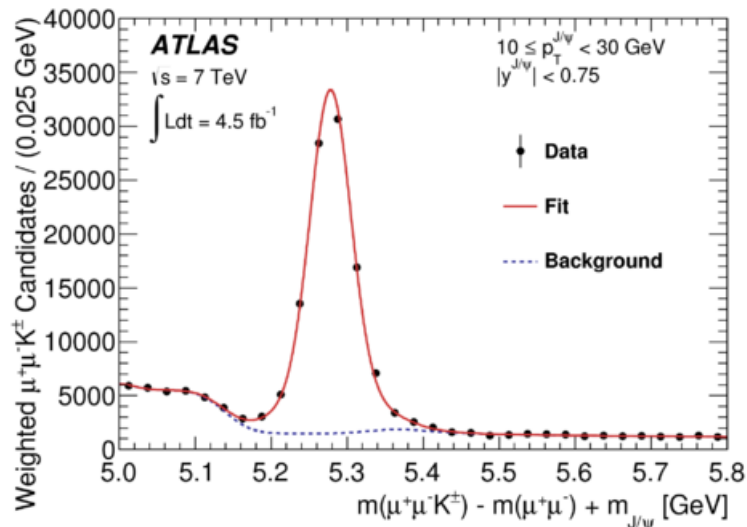
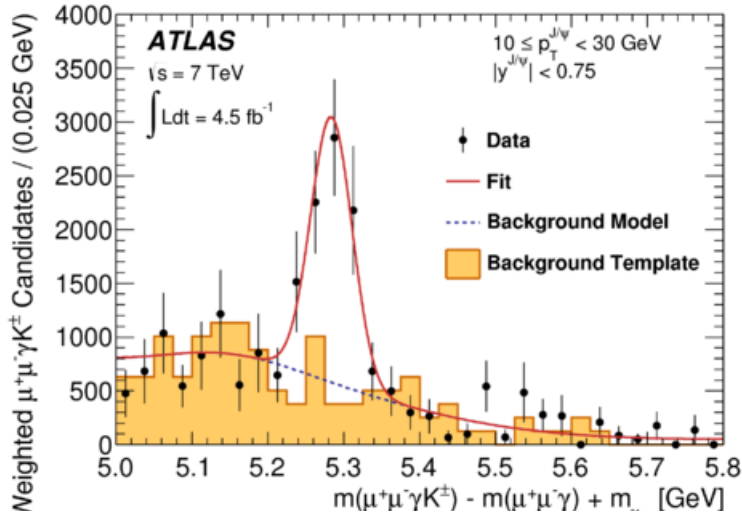
C.2 Measurement of the BR($B^+ \rightarrow \chi_c + K^+$)

Combine ($\chi_c \rightarrow J/\psi + \gamma$) and ($B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$) samples to obtain:

$$Br(B^\pm \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K^\pm) = \mathcal{A}_B \cdot \frac{N_{\chi_c}^B}{N_{J/\psi}^B} \cdot \frac{Br(B^\pm \rightarrow J/\psi K^\pm)}{Br(\chi_{c1} \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma)}$$

$$Br(B^\pm \rightarrow \chi_{c1} K^\pm) =$$

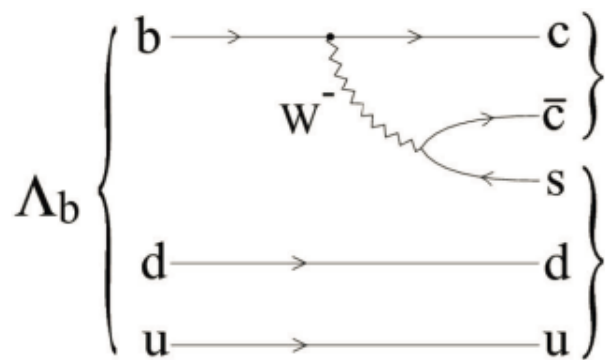
$$(4.8 \pm 0.8(stat.) \pm 0.6(syst.)) \cdot 10^{-4}$$



Good agreement with B-factories

C.3 Parity violation from $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda_0$

$$w(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \alpha_b \cdot P \cdot \cos \theta) \quad \text{Violation not maximal} \Rightarrow |\alpha| < 1$$



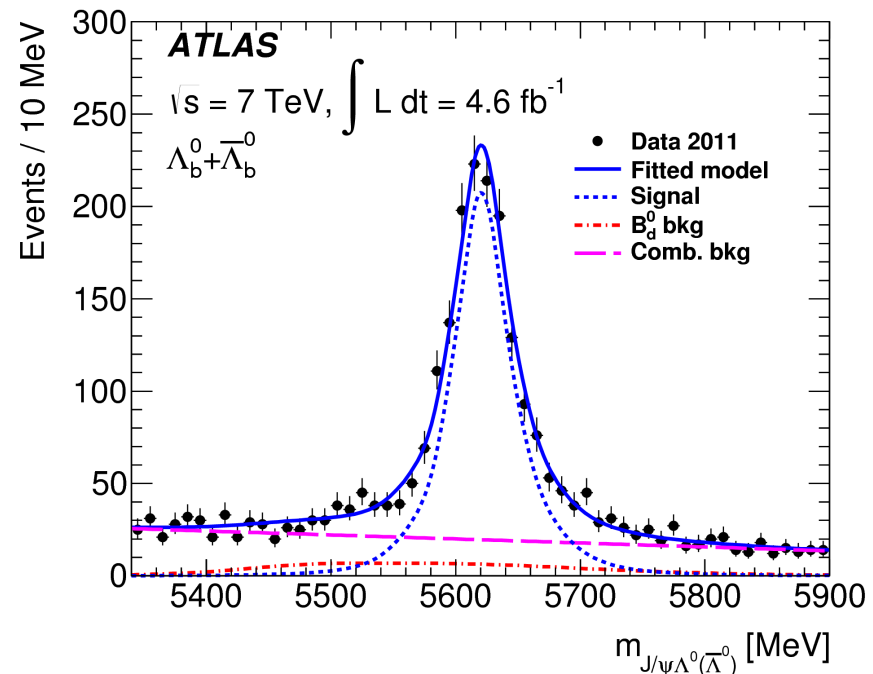
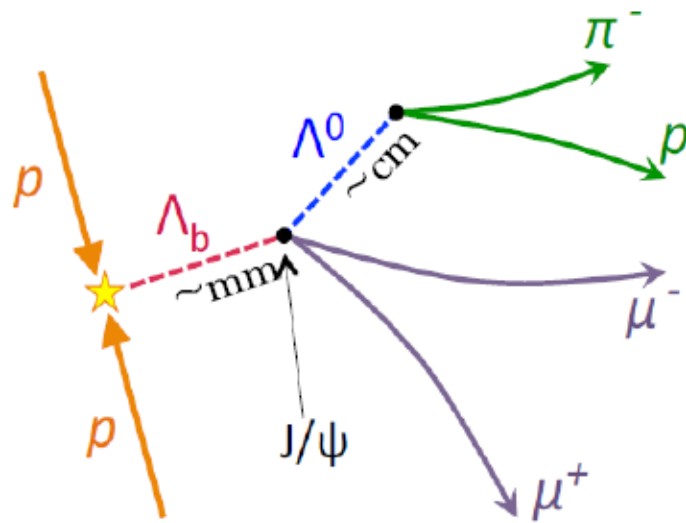
Four possible helicity amplitudes:

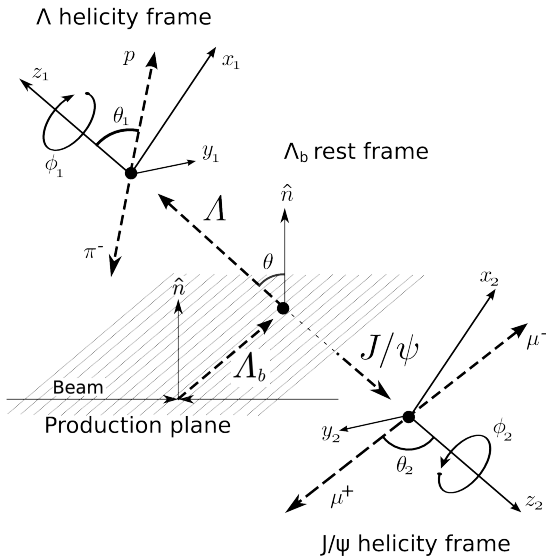
Amplitude	$\lambda_{J/\psi}$	λ_Λ
a_+	0	1/2
a_-	0	-1/2
b_+	-1	-1/2
b_-	1	1/2

Decay angular distribution
 $\Rightarrow a_+, a_-, b_+$ and b_-

$$\alpha_b = |a_+|^2 - |a_-|^2 + |b_+|^2 - |b_-|^2$$

$$|a_+|^2 + |a_-|^2 + |b_+|^2 + |b_-|^2 = 1.$$





The full angular probability density function (PDF) of the decay angles $\Omega = (\theta, \phi, \theta_1, \phi_1, \theta_2, \phi_2)$ is [15,17,18]

$$w(\Omega, \vec{A}, P) = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^3} \sum_{i=1}^{19} f_{1i}(\vec{A}) f_{2i}(P, \alpha_\Lambda) F_i(\Omega), \quad (3)$$

$$\langle F_i \rangle = \frac{1}{N^{\text{data}}} \sum_{n=1}^{N^{\text{data}}} F_i(\Omega_n)$$

$$\langle F_i \rangle^{\text{expected}} = \sum_j f_{1j}(\vec{A}) f_{2j}(\alpha_\Lambda) C_{ij},$$

$$\langle F_i \rangle^{\text{expected}} = \langle F_i \rangle,$$

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \sum_j (\langle F_i \rangle^{\text{expected}} - \langle F_i \rangle) V_{ij}^{-1} (\langle F_j \rangle^{\text{expected}} - \langle F_j \rangle),$$

$$\langle F_2 \rangle = -0.282 \pm 0.021,$$

$$\langle F_4 \rangle = -0.044 \pm 0.017,$$

$$\langle F_6 \rangle = 0.001 \pm 0.010,$$

$$\langle F_{18} \rangle = 0.019 \pm 0.009,$$

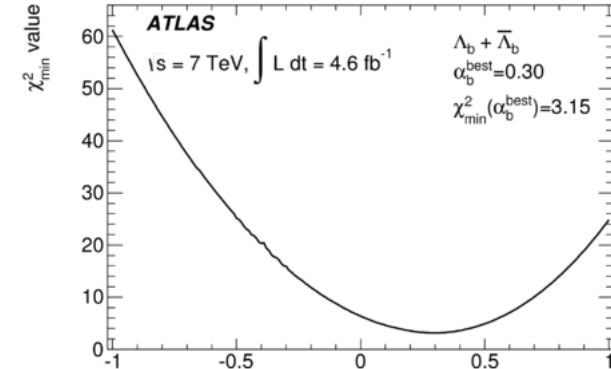
$$\langle F_{19} \rangle = -0.002 \pm 0.009.$$

$$|a_+| = 0.17^{+0.12}_{-0.17},$$

$$|a_-| = 0.59^{+0.06}_{-0.07},$$

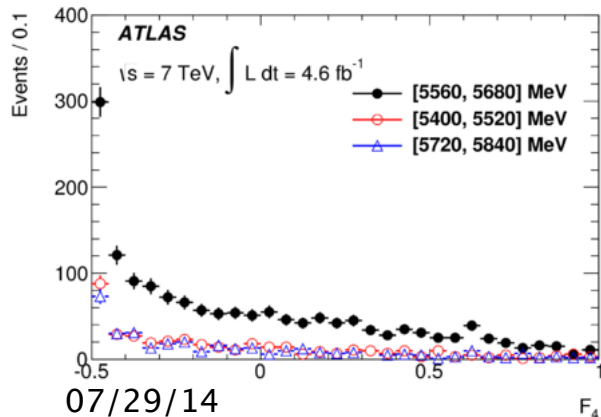
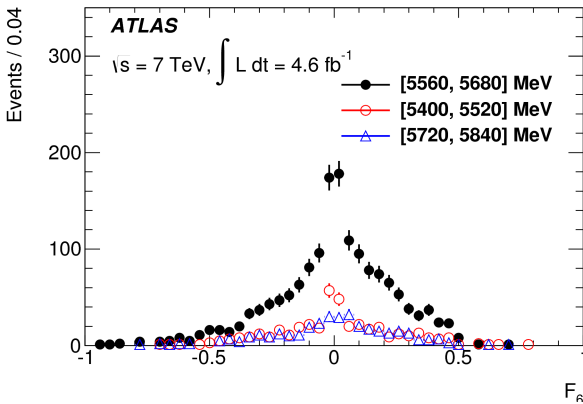
$$|b_+| = 0.79^{+0.04}_{-0.05},$$

$$|b_-| = 0.08^{+0.13}_{-0.08}.$$



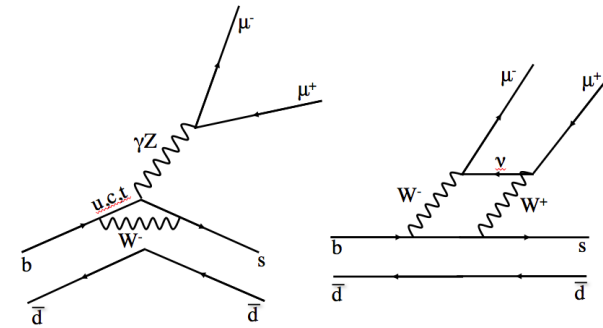
$$\alpha_b = 0.30 \pm 0.16(\text{stat}) \pm 0.06(\text{syst})$$

- consistent with $\alpha_{\text{LHCb}} = 0.05 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.07$
- $\alpha_{\text{HQET}} = 0.78$ and $\alpha_{\text{pQCD}} = -(0.14 \div 0.17)$



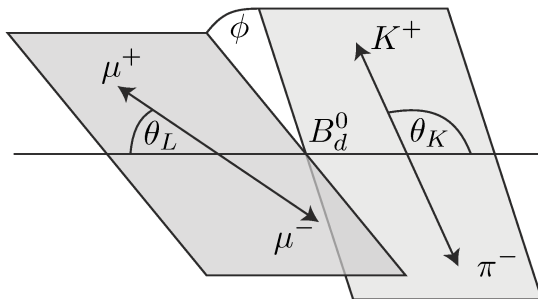
C.4 Study of $B_d \rightarrow K^{*0}(K\pi) \mu^+\mu^-$

- $b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$ transition
- loop-mediated in SM $\Rightarrow BR \approx 1.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$
- sensitive to BSM contribution
- lepton forward-backward asymmetry A_{FB}
- K^{*0} longitudinal polarisation fraction F_L



3 angles ($\theta_L, \theta_K, \varphi$) and q^2

- φ symmetry, then integrate on φ
- alternative integration on θ_L or θ_K



fit to angular distribution $\Rightarrow (A_{FB}, F_L)$ in q^2 -intervals

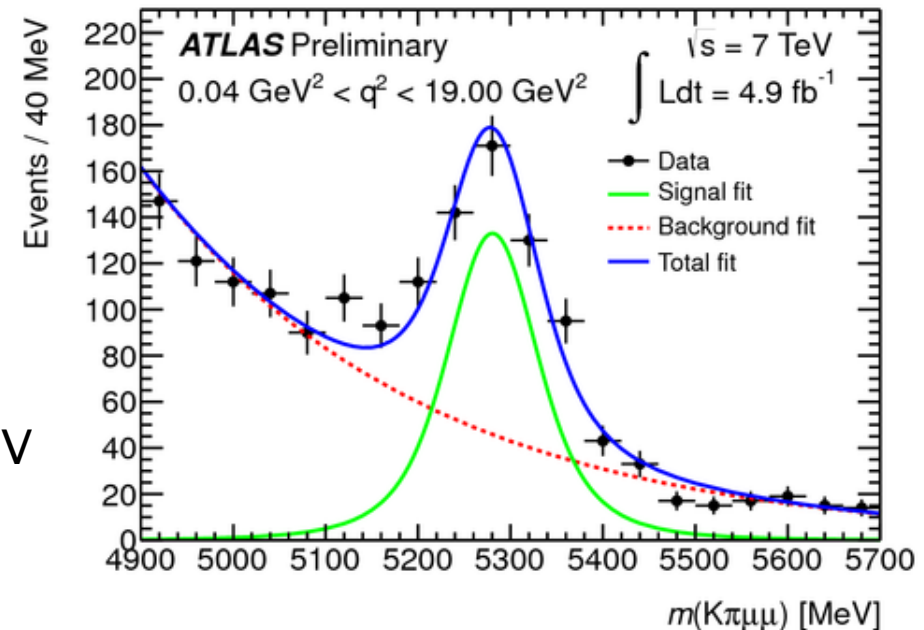
- $q^2 < 2\text{GeV}^2$ limited statistics

• Veto:

- $q^2 = (m_{J/\psi}^2, m_{\psi(2S)}^2) \pm 3\sigma$
- radiative J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ decays
- $K^{*0}(K\pi)$ mass range [846,946] MeV

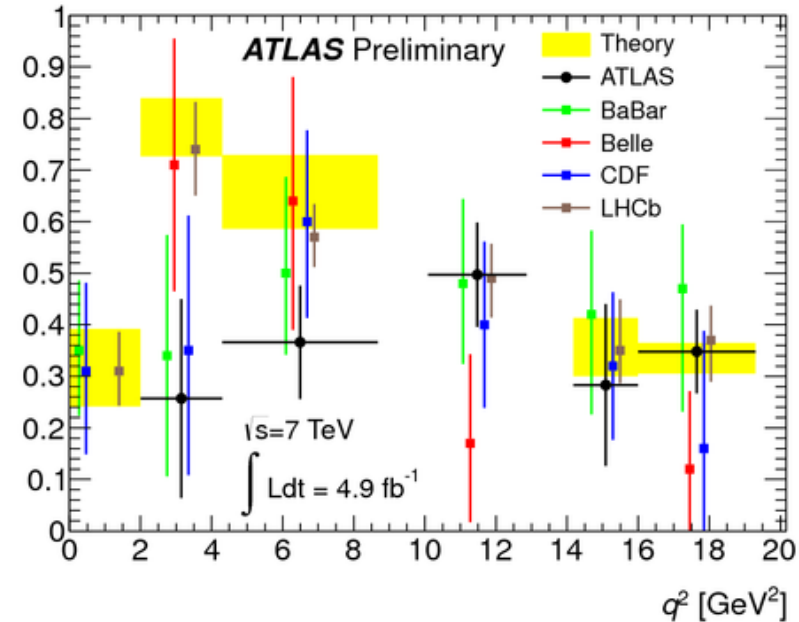
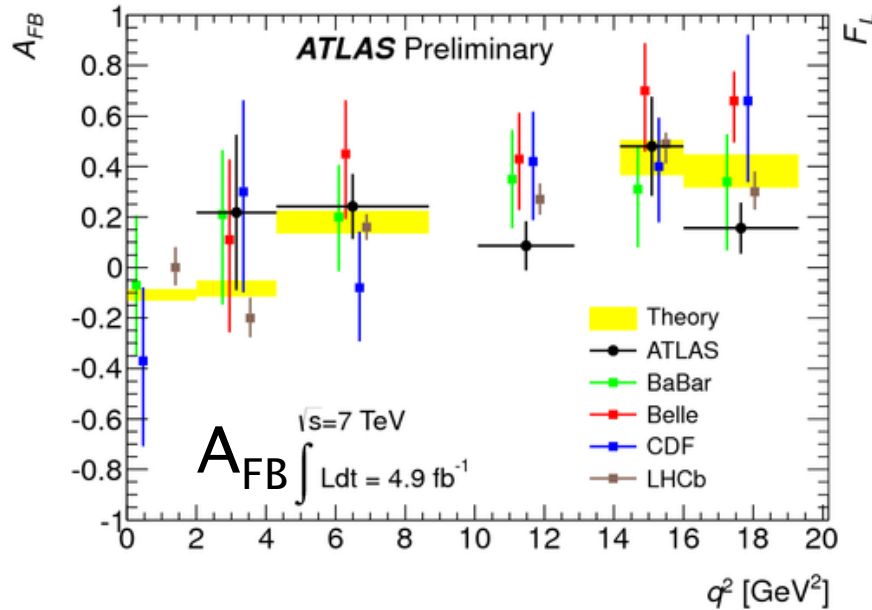
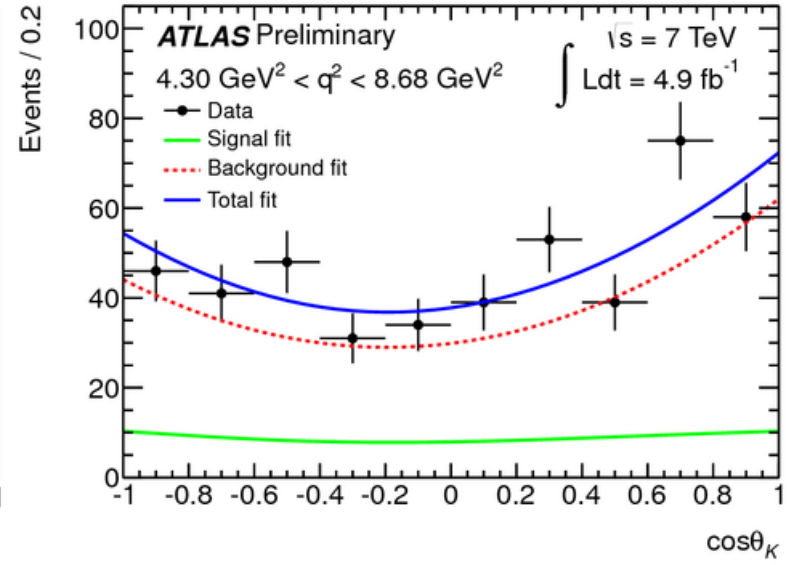
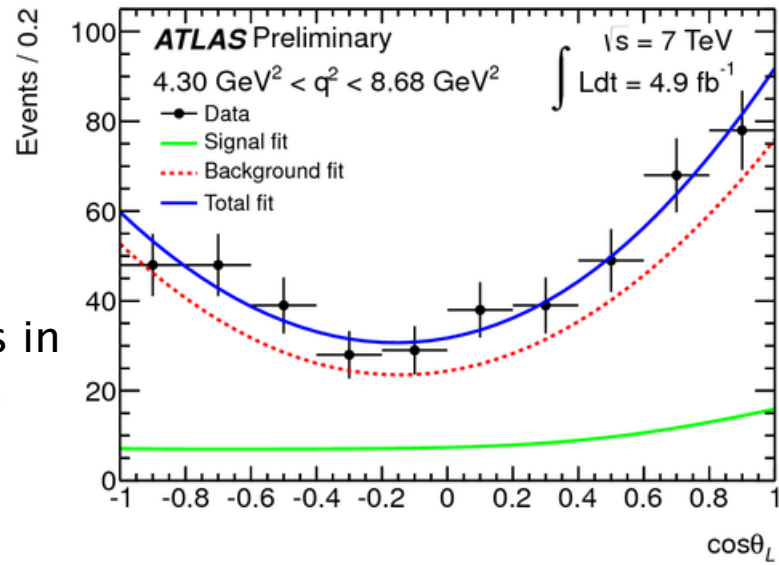
- maximum likelihood fit

$\Rightarrow N_{\text{sig}} = 466 \pm 34$ and $N_{\text{bkg}} = 1132 \pm 43$



Fit procedure:

1. mass distribution
2. angular distributions in each q^2 -bin



F
L

- statistical uncertainty dominates \Rightarrow improve with \mathcal{L}
- agreement with other experiments and SM predictions

Conclusion

- High precision production measurements
 - quarkonium ($J/\psi, \psi_{2s}, \chi_{cj}, Y_{ms}$)
 - open state (B^+)
 - LHC: new kinematical regions (e.g. high p_T) \Rightarrow test predictions of different QCD tools
- ATLAS \rightarrow
 - \rightarrow evidence for **new states**
 - \rightarrow decay properties of heavy flavour
- **Expect to exploit full run-I and future run-II to probe new interesting phenomena in heavy flavour production**
 - polarization
 - double quarkonium
 - associated production with W, Z etc...
 - decays to test SM and look for BSM effects (e.g. rare or suppressed decays)