

Early Performance of the ATLAS Experiment

- Detector subsystems and their status
- Performance of object reconstructions
- First physics result and what to expect

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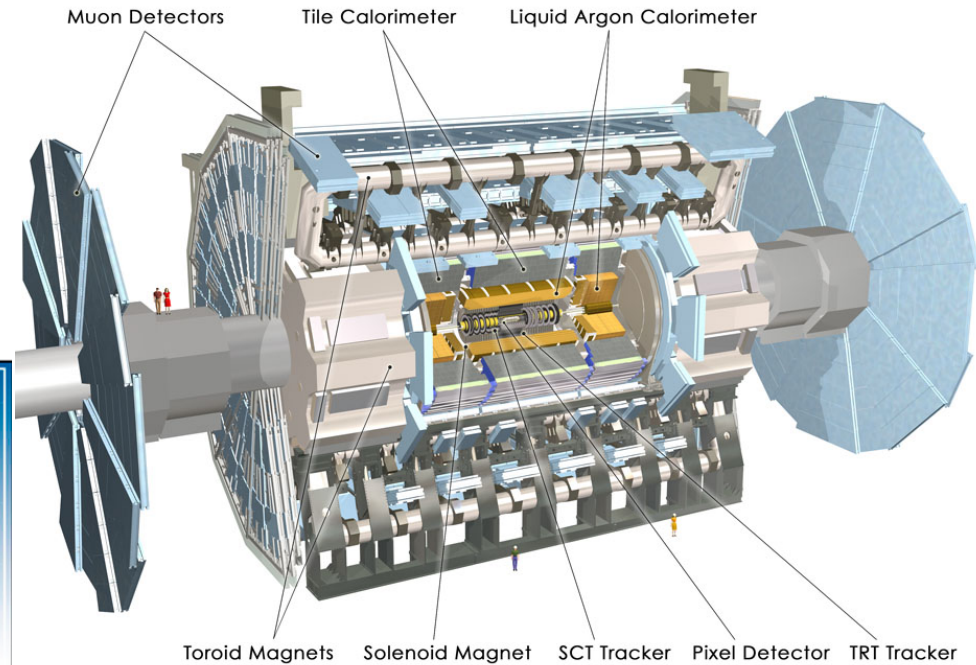
ATLAS Collaboration

- **Detector: A Toroidal LHC Apparatus**

- 7000 tons, 25m high, 46m long and 100 million electronic channels

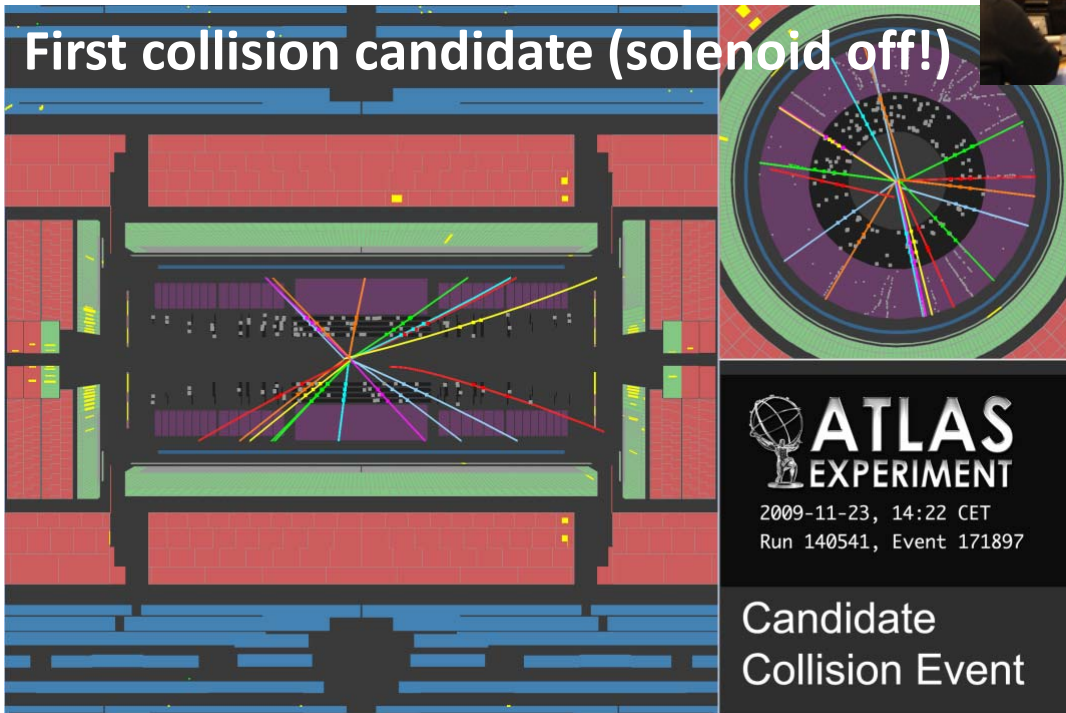
- **Collaboration:**

- ~2900 collaborators;
- ~1000 students;
- 173 institutions;
- 37 countries



20+ years of worldwide collaborative effort

First Beam & Collision Candidate



<http://atlas.web.cern.ch/Atlas/public/EVTDISPLAY/events.html>

Trigger & DAQ System

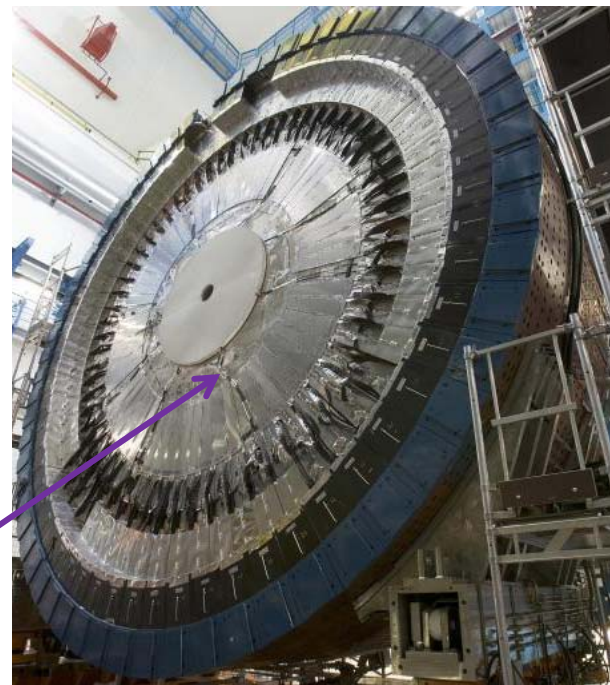
- Three trigger levels:
 - Level 1: 40MHz \rightarrow 75 KHz; Level 2: \rightarrow 2 KHz; Event Filter: \rightarrow 200 Hz
- DAQ output:
 - up to 300 Mb/s with 1.5 Mb/event

Triggers for the initial running: beam pickups & trigger scintillators
We are nevertheless writing at 200 Hz !



BPTX: Beam pickup timing device, ± 175 m from the interaction point,
(The current information is also used for luminosity calculation)

MBTS: Minimum Bias Trigger Scintillators
Mounted on LAr endcaps



Run Timelines

- Nov. 20, 2009: Single beam splash;
- Nov. 23, 2009: First collisions observed at 900 GeV;
- Dec. 6, 2009: First collisions with stable beams \Rightarrow full detector on;
- Dec. 8, 2009: First collisions at 2.36 TeV;
- Mar. 30, 2010: First collisions at 7 TeV;
- Apr. 1, 2010: First W candidate observed; ...

- **Peak luminosity**

$$1.2 \times 10^{28} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

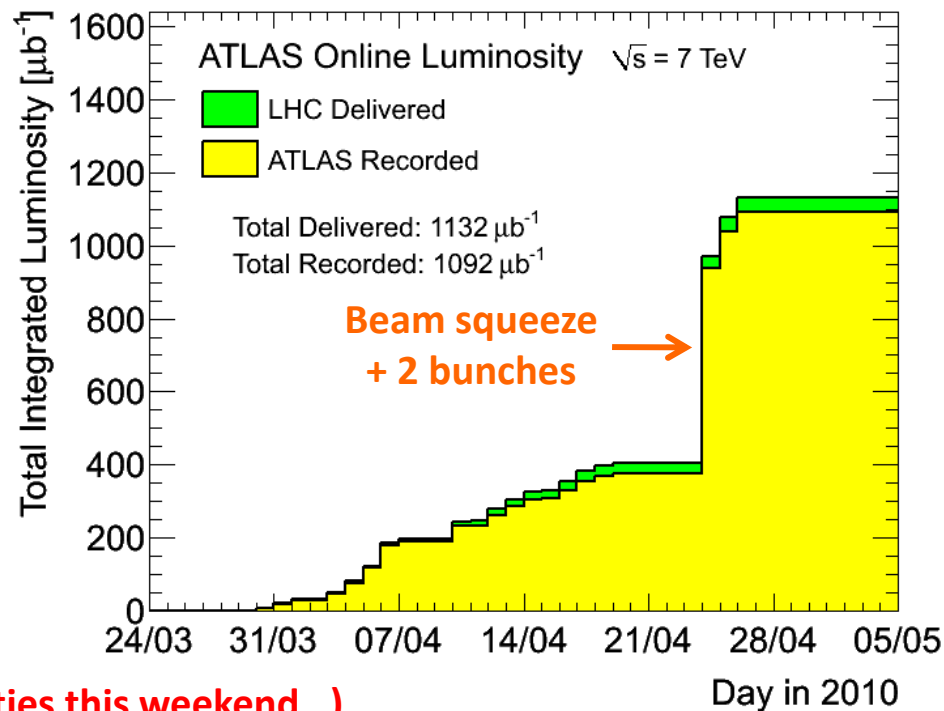
- **Integrated luminosities***

delivered: 1.13 nb^{-1}

recorded: 1.09 nb^{-1}

\Rightarrow 96.5% DAQ efficiency !

\sim 30% luminosity scale uncertainty
expect significant reduction soon



(* Have already doubled integrated luminosities this weekend...)

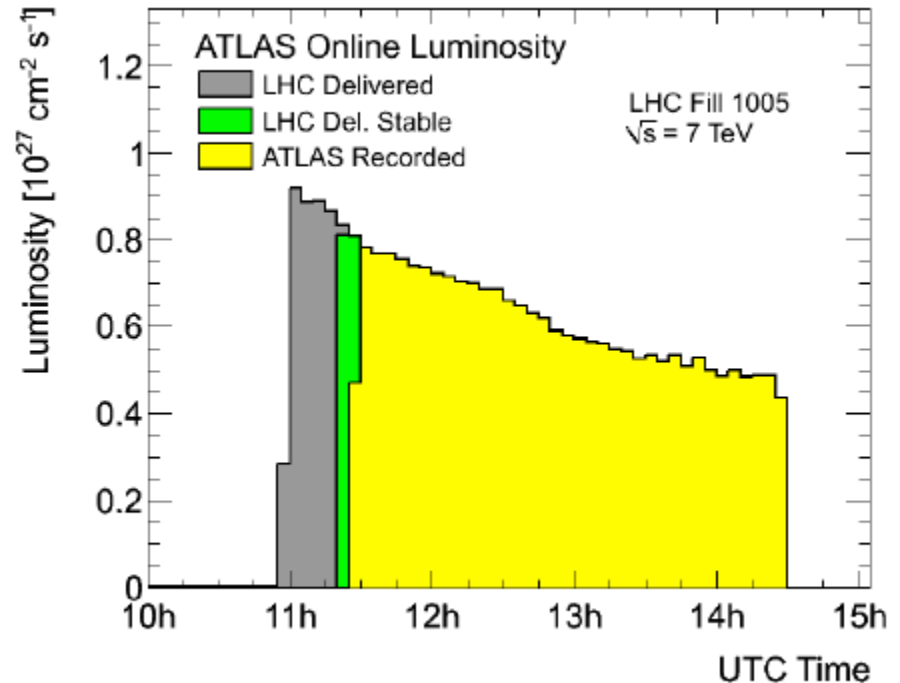
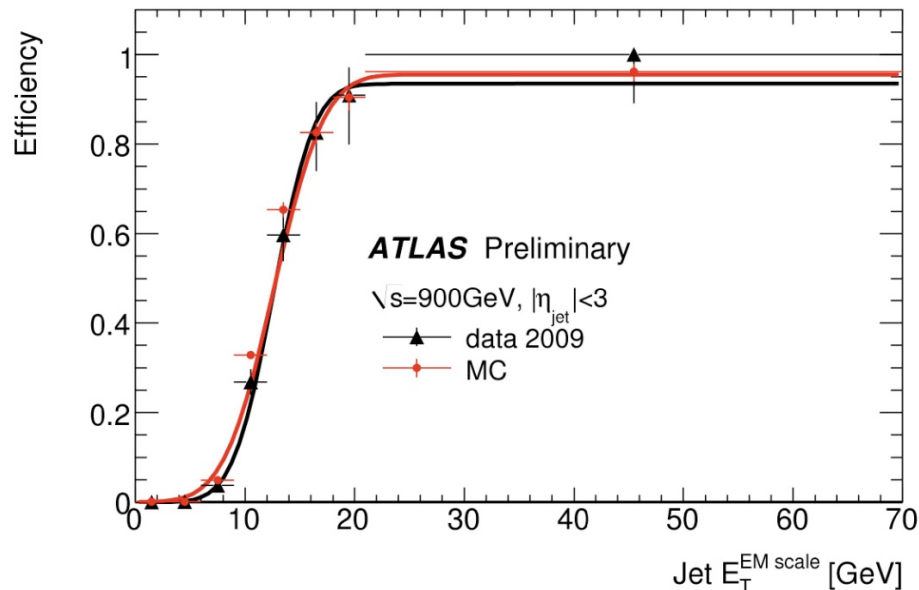
Online Performance

March 30, 2010: 1st fill at 7 TeV

Recorded 97.2% of the delivered luminosity !

Current trigger configuration

- primary: BPTX + MBTS
- pass-through for many triggers;
- gradually deploy other triggers



Efficiency of the level-1 lowest jet E_T trigger

- reasonable sharp turn-on;
- plateau at 20 GeV;
- well modeled by MC

Tracking System

- Pixel Detector

- 3 barrel layers, 2x3 end-cap discs;
- $\sigma(r\phi) \sim 10 \mu\text{m}$, $\sigma(z) \sim 115 \mu\text{m}$;
- $|\eta| < 2.5$, 80 million channels

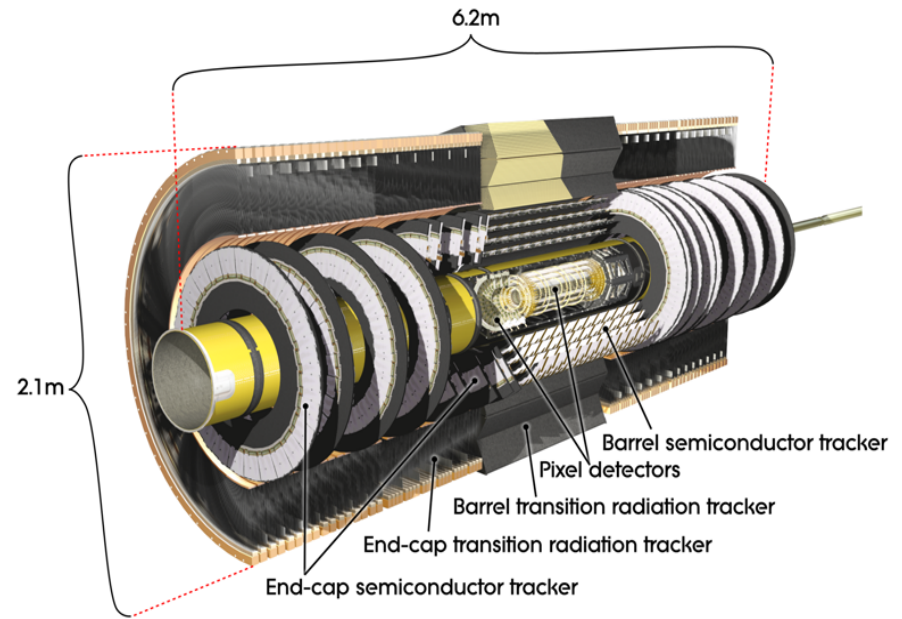
- Semiconductor Tracker (SCT)

- 4 barrel layers, 2x9 end-cap discs;
- stereo view;
- $\sigma(r\phi) \sim 17 \mu\text{m}$, $\sigma(z) \sim 580 \mu\text{m}$;
- $|\eta| < 2.5$, 6.3 million channels;

- Transition Radiation Tracker (TRT)

- dual purpose: tracking + e/π separation;
- 73 barrel straw layers and 2x160 end-cap radial layers (Xe as active gas);
- $\sigma(r\phi) \sim 130 \mu\text{m}$, 32 hits/track on average;
- $|\eta| < 2.0$, 350k channels

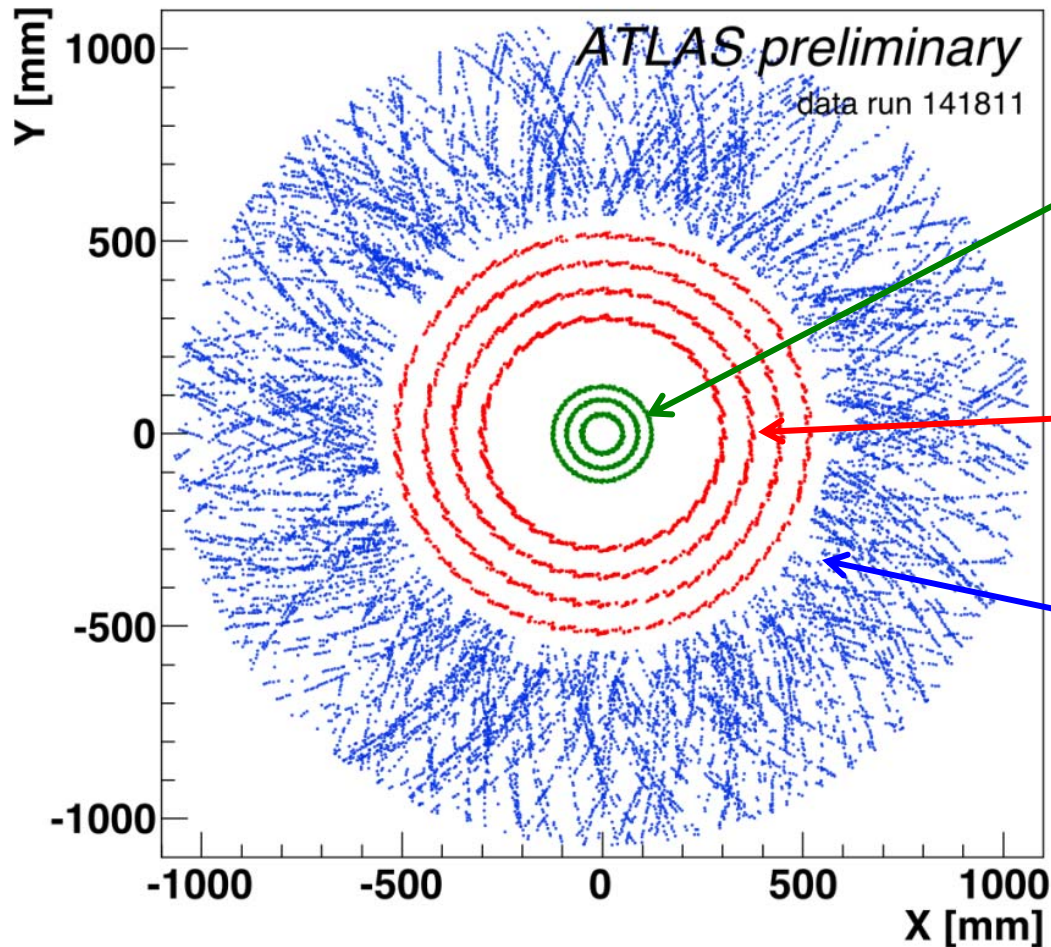
The entire inner detectors (ID)
is inside a 2T solenoidal field



$$\sigma(p_T) / p_T \sim 3.4 \times 10^{-4} p_T (\text{GeV}) \oplus 0.015$$
$$\sigma(d_0) \sim \frac{140}{p_T (\text{GeV})} \oplus 10 \mu\text{m}$$

Tracking Performance

Hits on tracks for one of the first stable beam runs



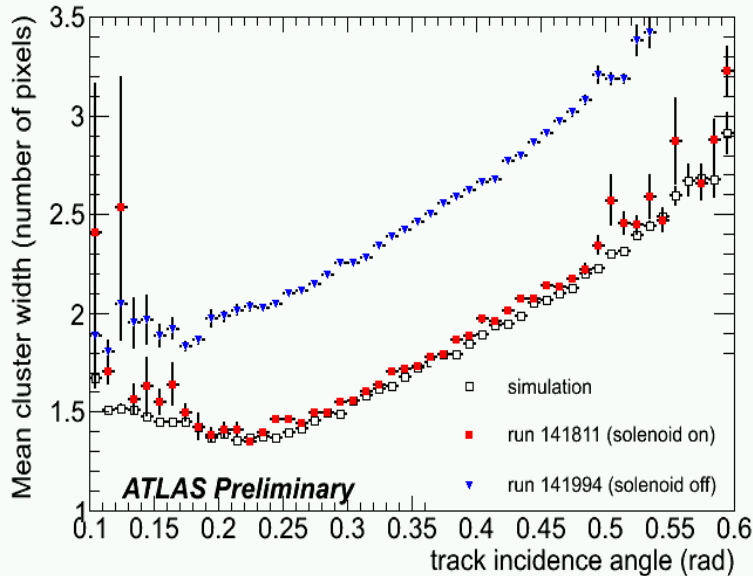
Pixel detector
($5.05 < R < 12.25$ cm)

Silicon strip detector
($25.5 < R < 54.9$ cm)

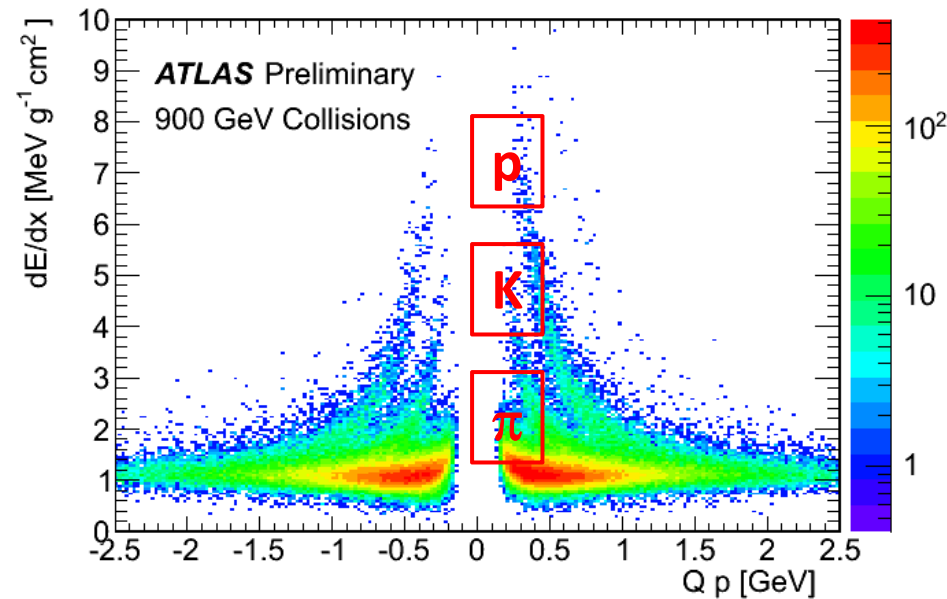
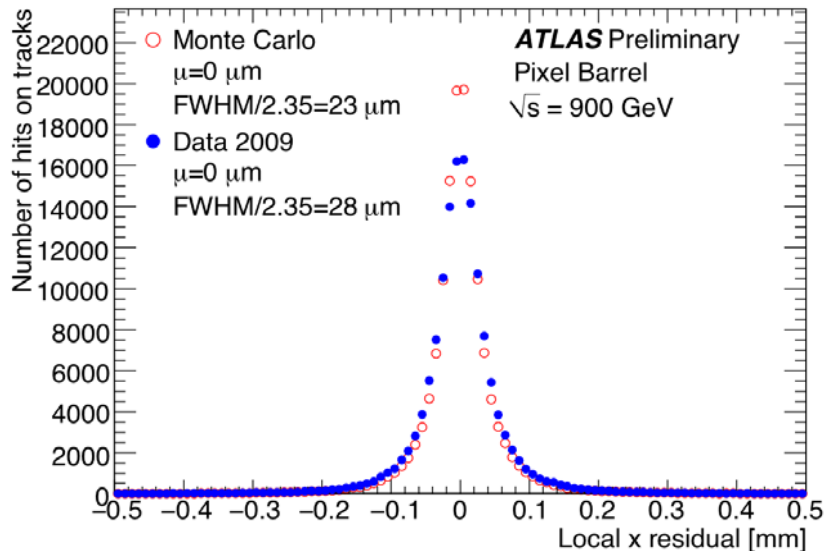
Transition radiation tracker
($55.4 < R < 108.2$ cm)

**~98+% live channels
for all three subsystems**

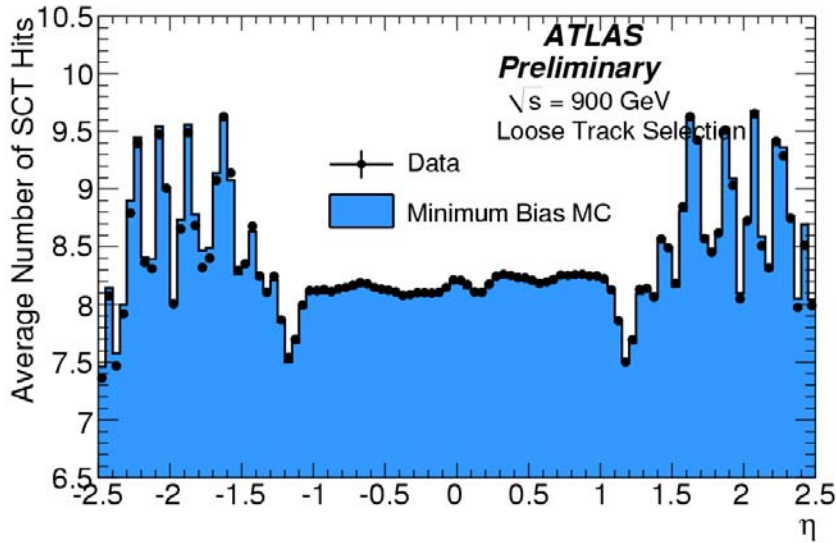
Pixel Performance



- Cluster size
Reasonably modeled for those on tracks
- Resolution close to ideal simulation
Collision data allows to align regions inaccessible with cosmic rays
- dE/dx from analog readout
Charge particle separation



Inner Detector Performance

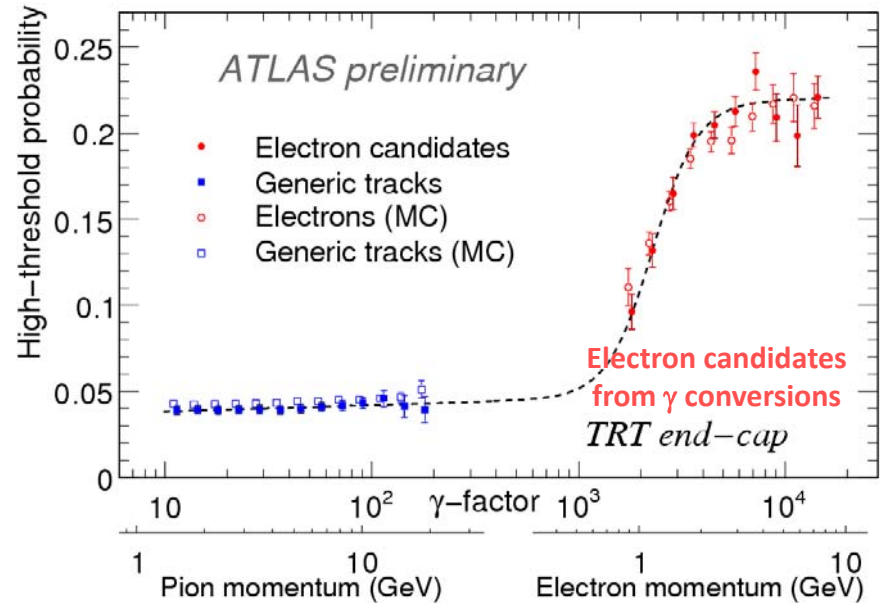
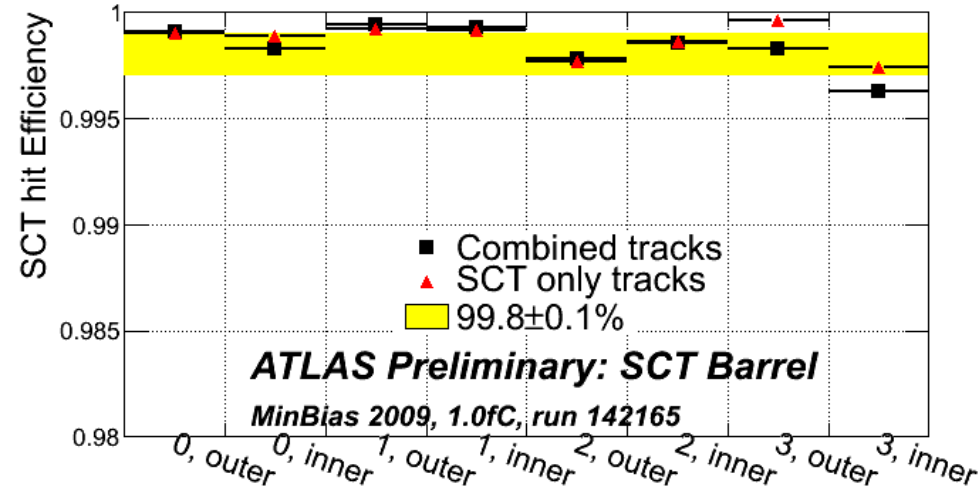


Silicon Strip Tracker

- geometry and material well simulated
- excellent tracking efficiency

Transition Radiation Tracker

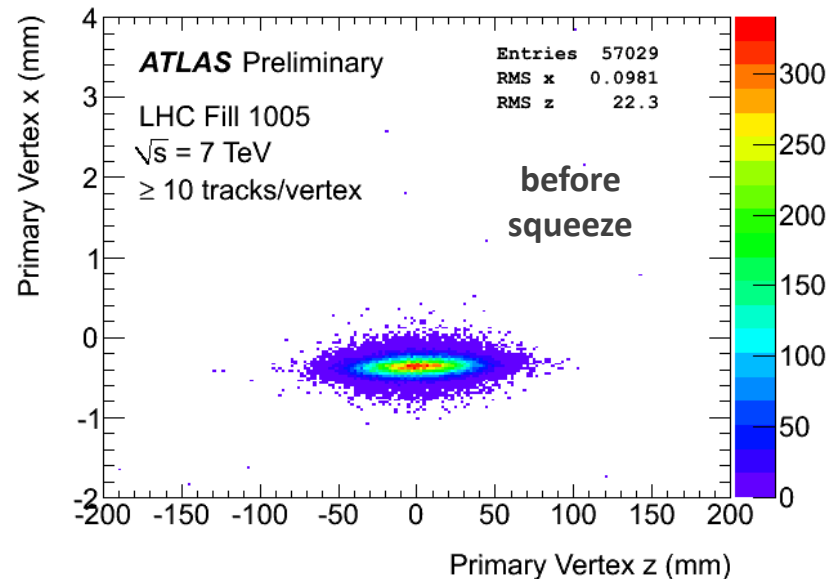
- provide transition radiation information for e/π separation
- early performance as expected



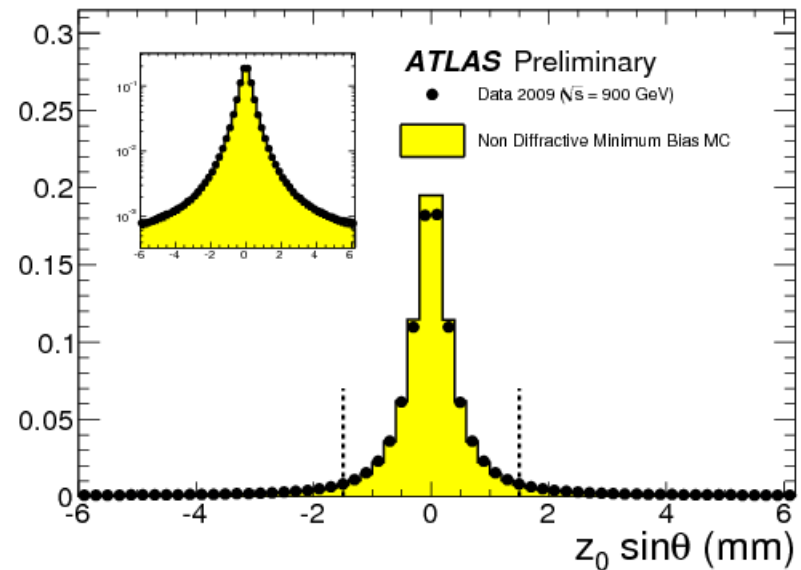
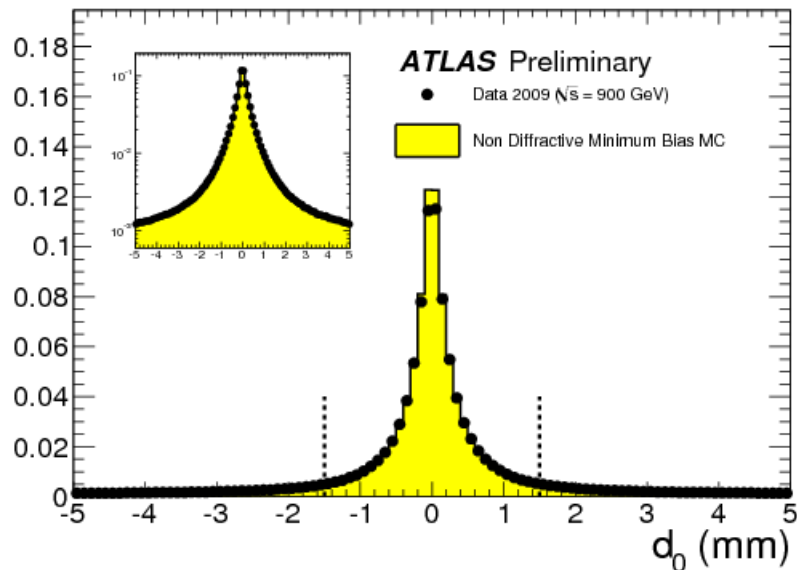
Vertex Reconstruction

Excellent vertex reconstruction and impact parameter resolutions

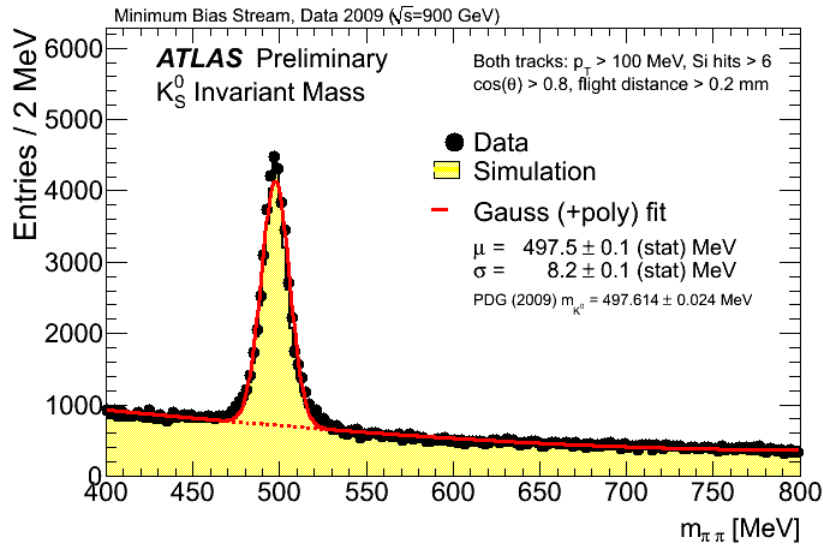
- In both transverse and longitudinal planes;
- good agreement between data and MC



Isolated tracks with $p_T > 500$ MeV



Long-lived Particles



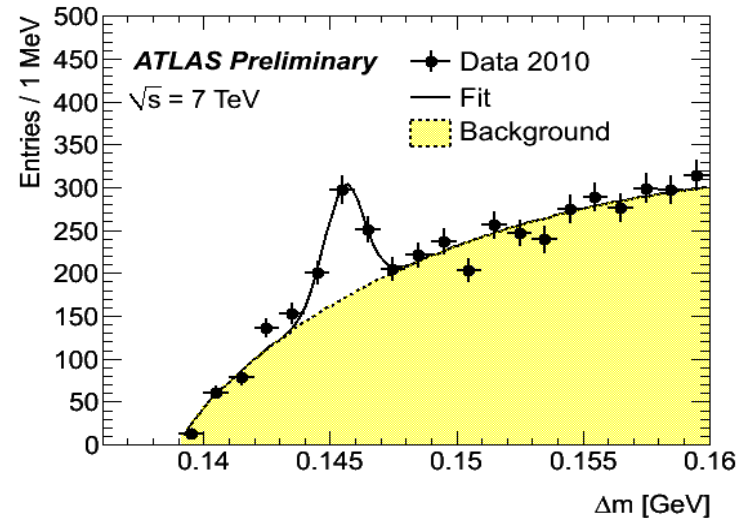
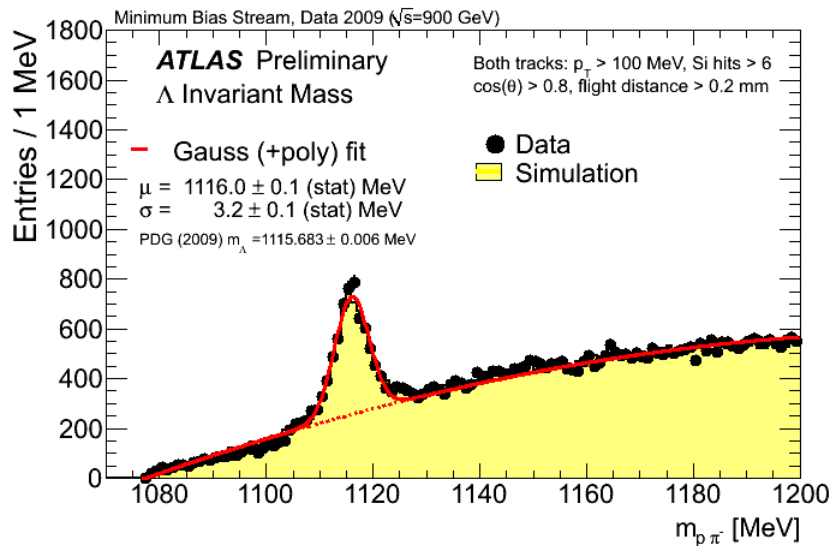
Seen expected resonances
 (at the right place!)

$$K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$$

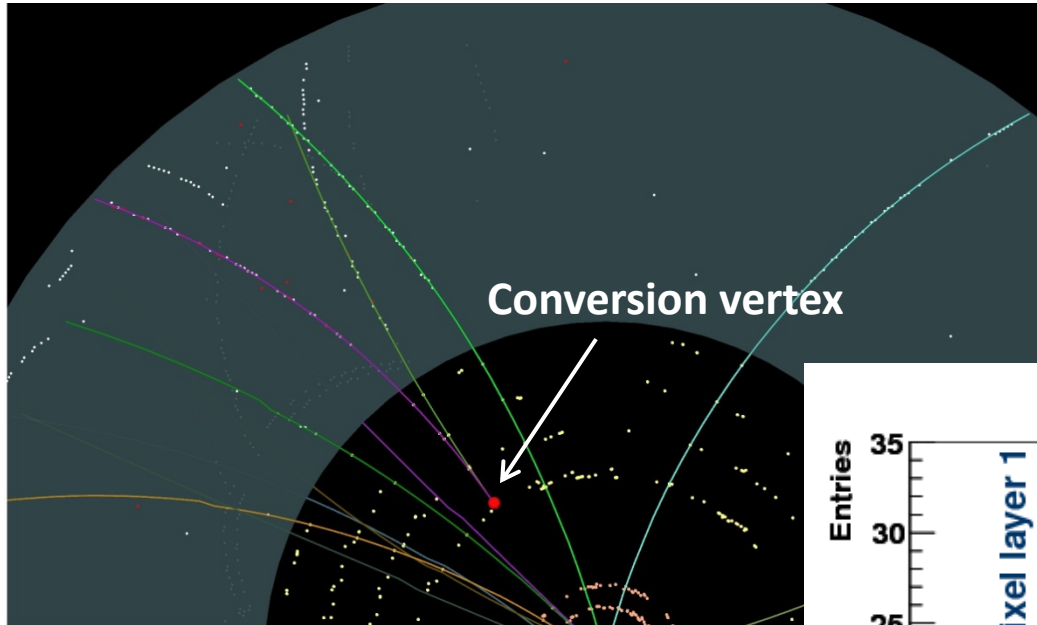
$$\Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-$$

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$$D^* \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ \rightarrow (K^- \pi^+) \pi^+$$

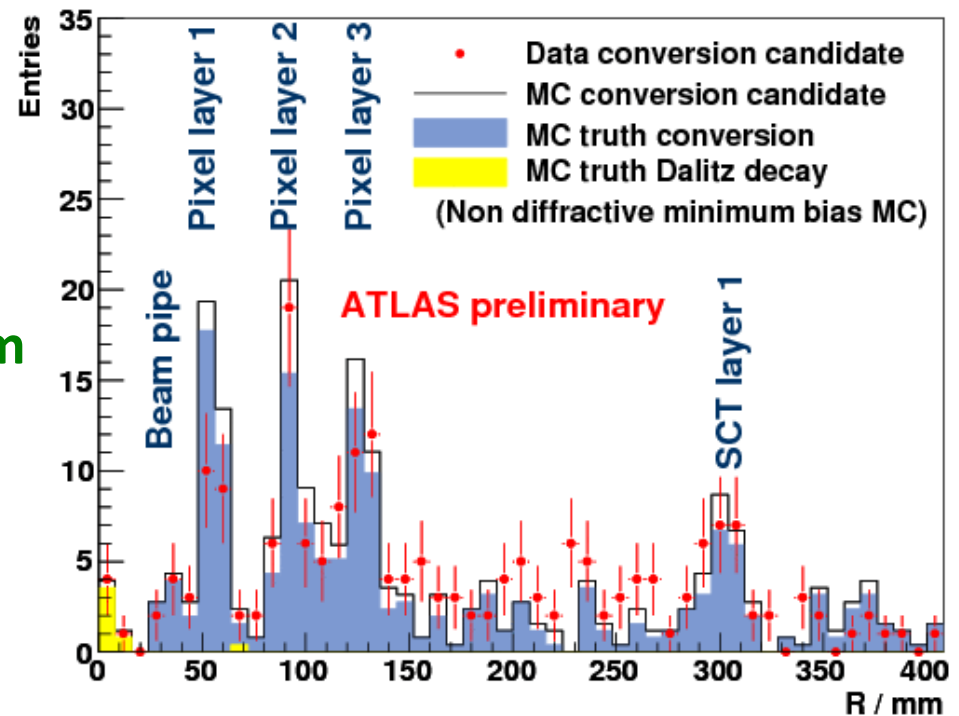


Conversion Reconstruction



$\gamma \rightarrow ee$ conversions are ideal for validating material descriptions and vertex reconstruction

- Track efficiency and momentum scale determinations;
- Cross calibrations between calorimeter cluster and tracks;

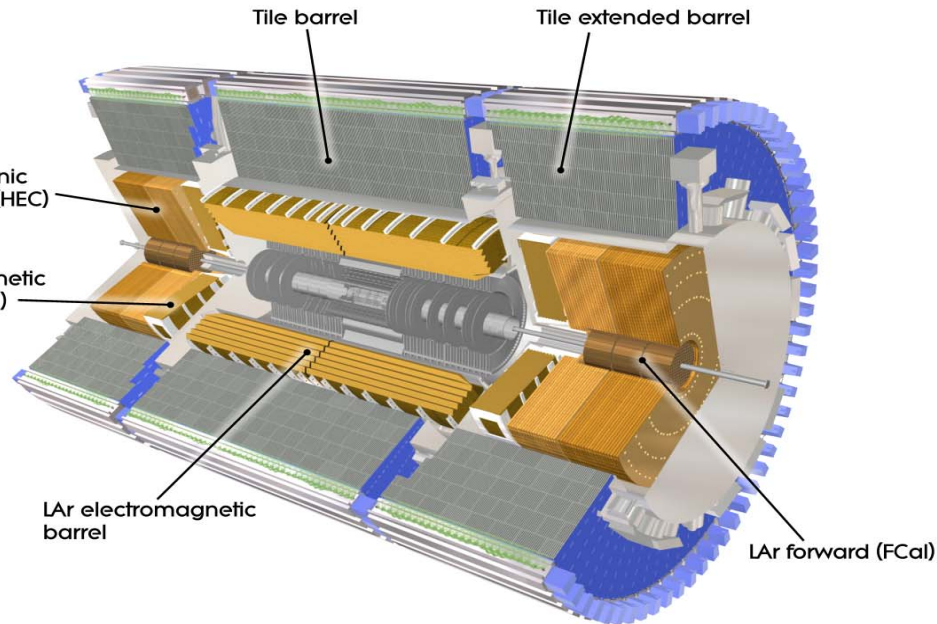


Calorimetry

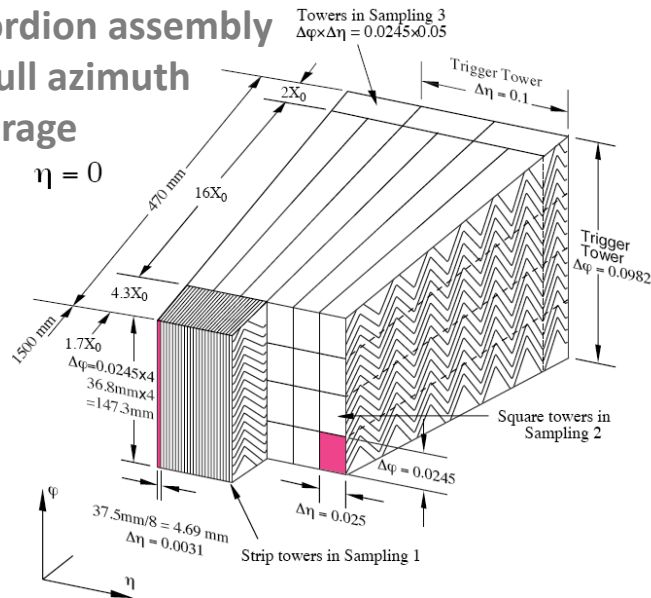
Electromagnetic calorimeter

- One barrel, two endcaps: LAr + Pb;
- 4 longitudinal segmentations
- Coverage: $|\eta| < 3.2$;
- $\sim 22X_0$, 170k channels

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E}(e/\gamma) \sim \frac{(10-15)\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 0.7\%$$



Accordion assembly
for full azimuth
coverage

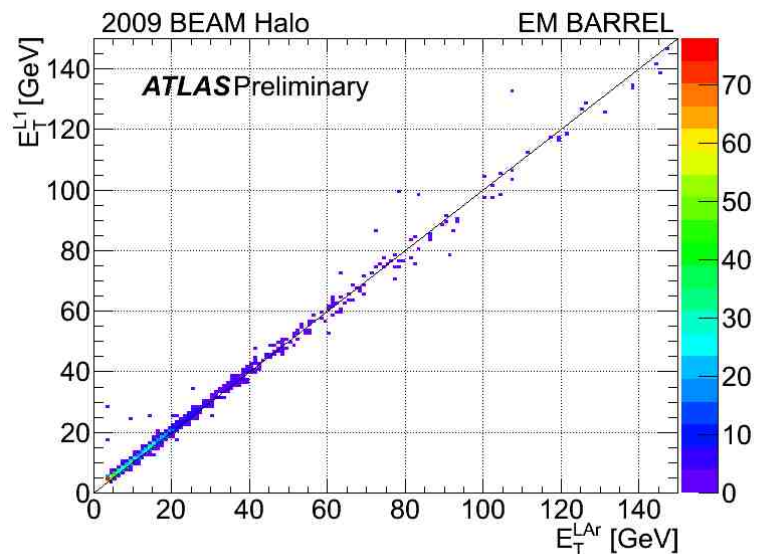
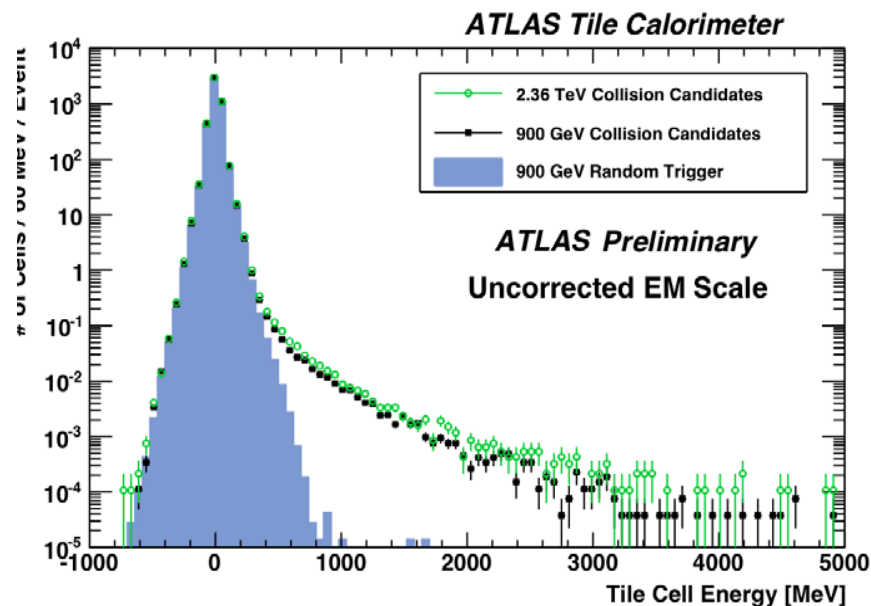
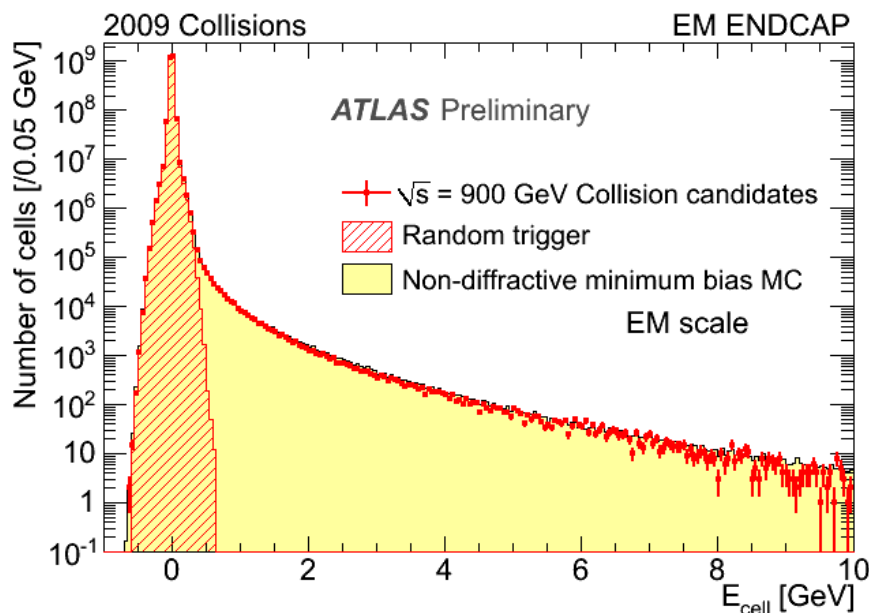


Hadronic calorimeter

- One barrel ($|\eta| < 1.7$): Scintillator + Fe;
- Two endcaps ($1.5 < |\eta| < 3.2$): LAr + Cu;
- Two forwards ($3.1 < |\eta| < 4.9$): LAr + Cu;
- $\sim 10\lambda$, 19k channels

$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E}(\text{jets}) \sim \frac{50\%}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus 3\%$$

Calorimeter Performance



- Calorimeter cell energy
 - quiet, little noises;
 - MC model the data well
- Level-1 energy measurement
 - excellent correlation between the two readout paths: analog and digital

Neutral Particles

Reconstructed both $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

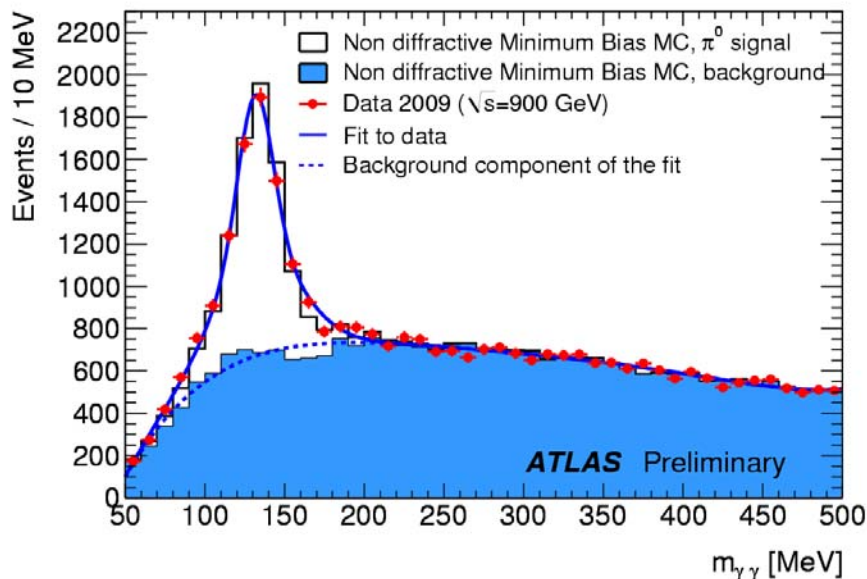
Both the mass and the width are well described by MC

Data : $m_{\pi^0} = 134.0 \pm 0.8(\text{stat})$ MeV, $\sigma = 24.0$ MeV

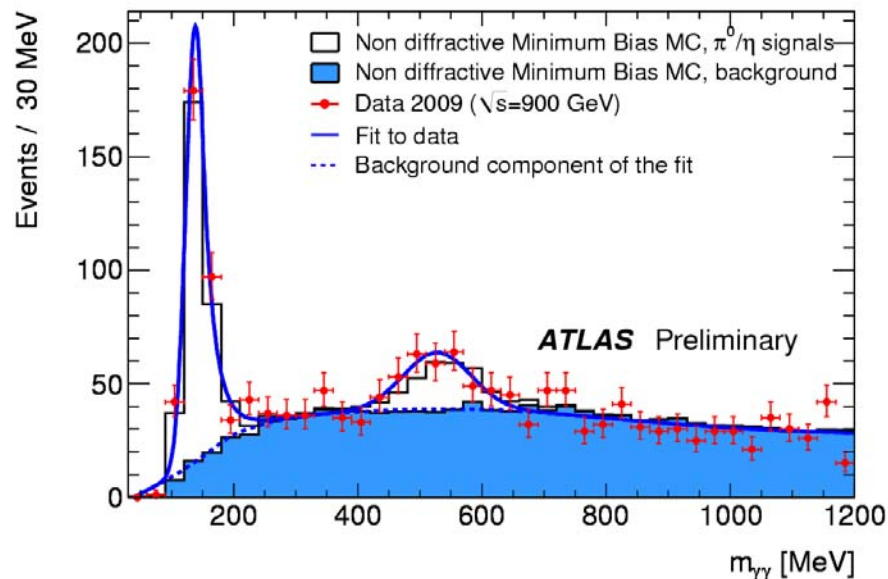
MC: $m_{\pi^0} = 132.9 \pm 0.2(\text{stat})$ MeV, $\sigma = 25.2$ MeV

Useful for low energy electromagnetic calibration

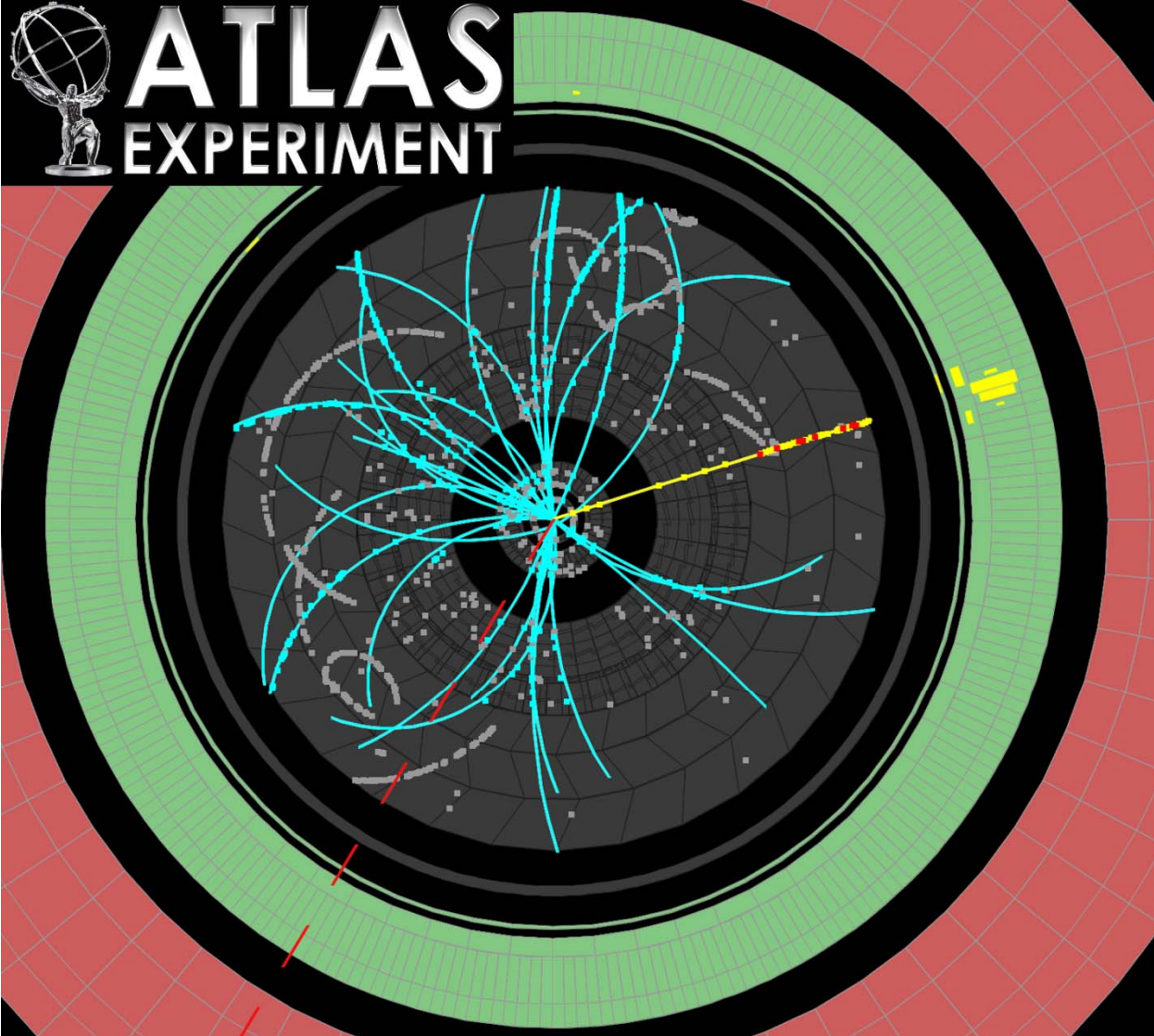
$E_T^{\text{cluster}} > 0.4$ GeV, $p_T^{\text{pair}} > 0.9$ GeV



$E_T^{\text{cluster}} > 0.8$ GeV, $p_T^{\text{pair}} > 2.2$ GeV

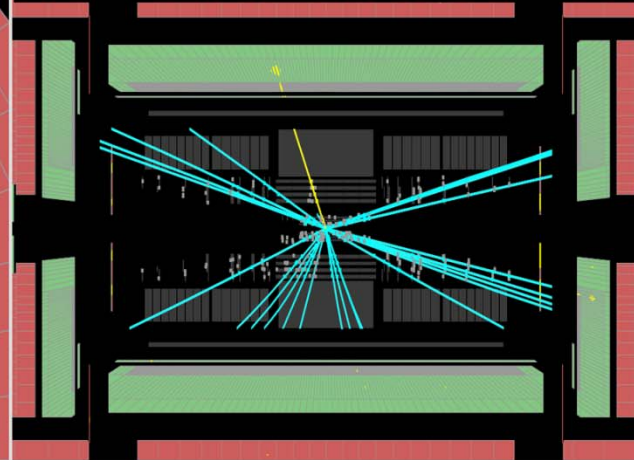


$W \rightarrow e\nu$ Candidate



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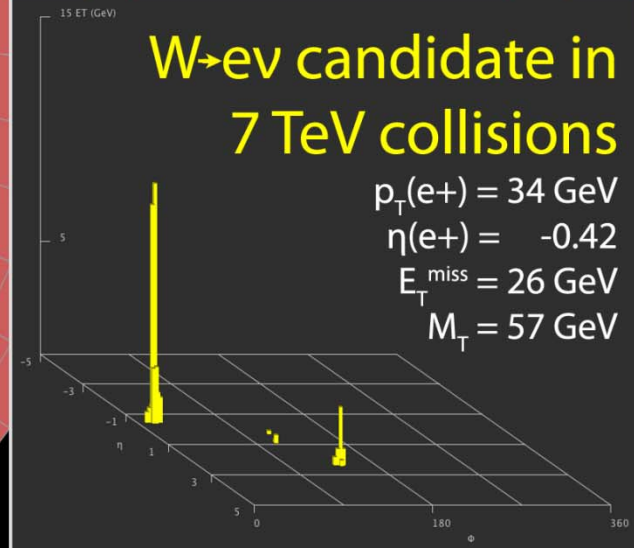
$W \rightarrow e\nu$ candidate in
7 TeV collisions

$$p_T(e^+) = 34 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\eta(e^+) = -0.42$$

$$E_T^{\text{miss}} = 26 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_T = 57 \text{ GeV}$$

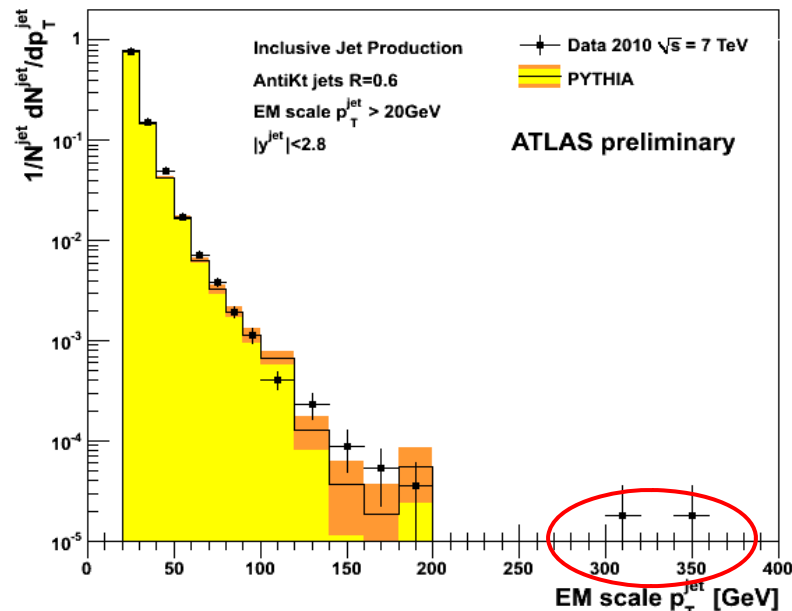
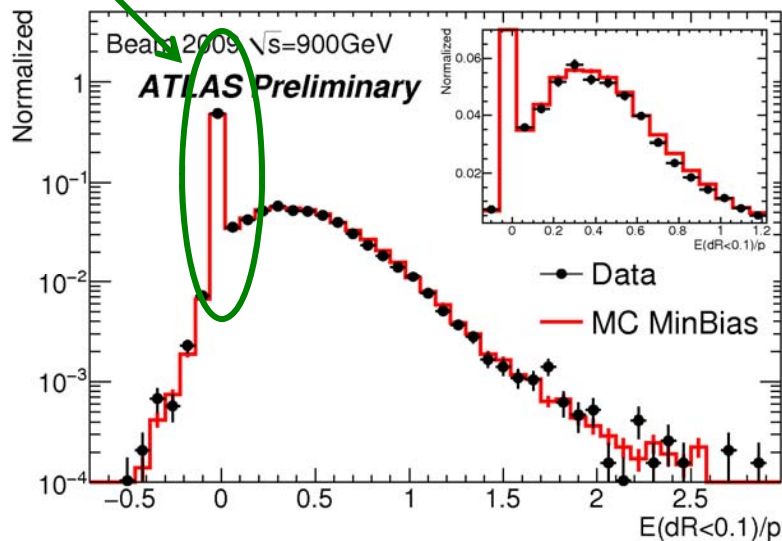


Jets Reconstruction

Jet reconstruction with anti- K_T algorithm with $R=0.6$;

Not many high p_T jets yet, but low energy p_T spectrum is well produced by Monte Carlo

Low p_T tracks absorbed by the material in the inner detector

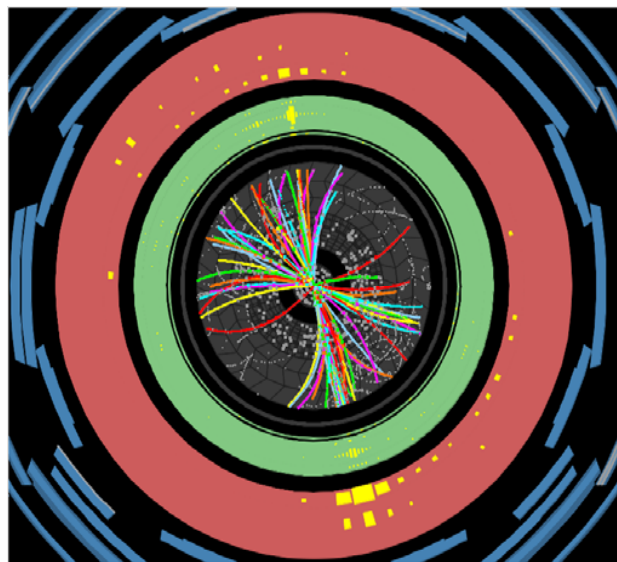


Calorimeter responses of isolated tracks

- Cluster energy in $\Delta R < 0.1$;
- no tracks within $\Delta R < 0.4$;
- $0.5 < p_T < 10$ GeV
- $|\eta| < 0.8$

Test beam tuned Monte Carlo reproduces the data well

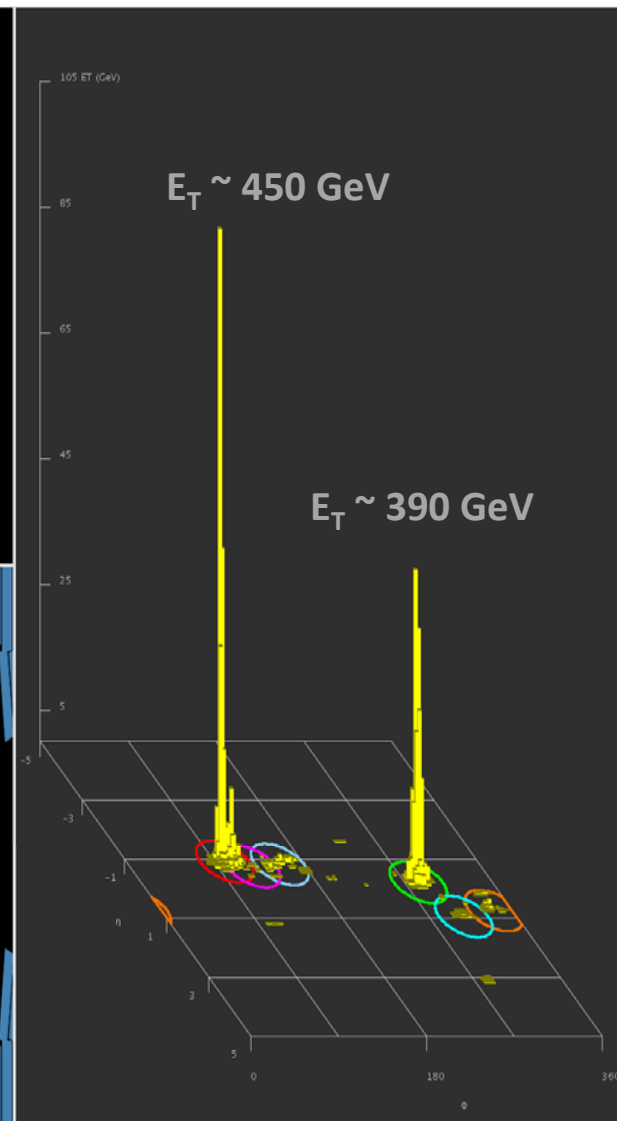
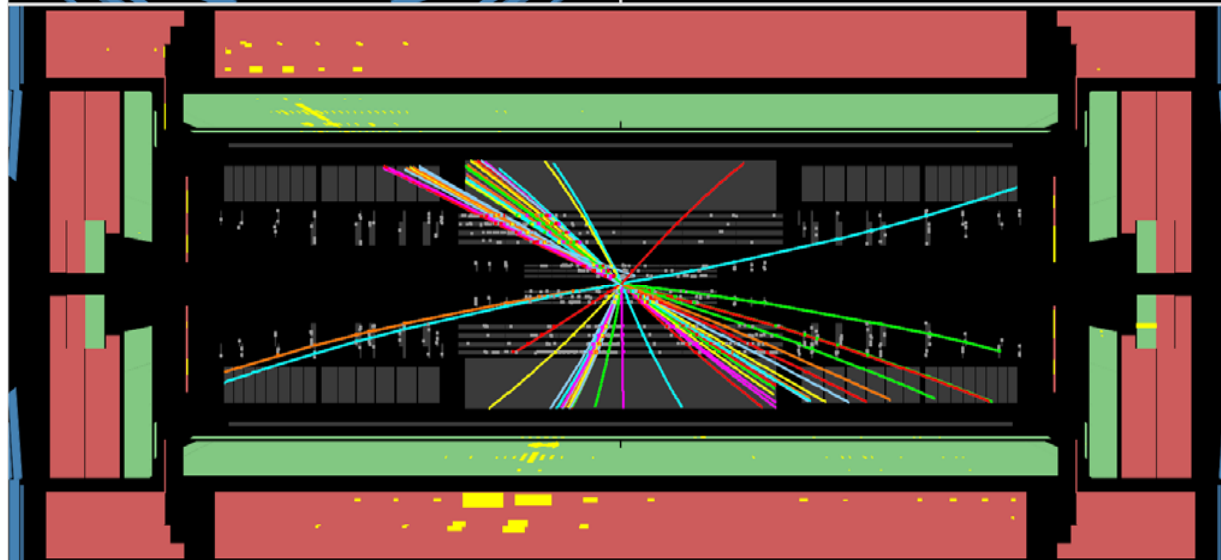
Dijet Candidate



 **ATLAS**
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Di-jet Event at 7 TeV



MissingEt Performance

MissingEt is a key to

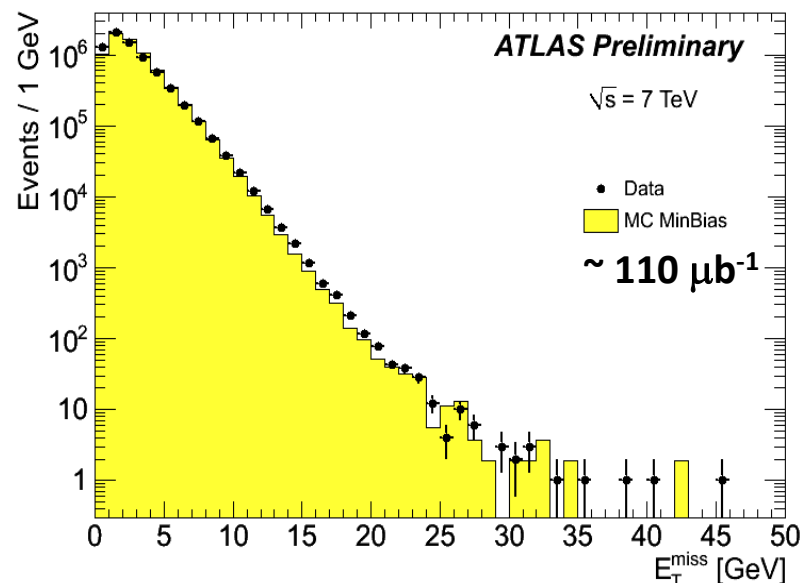
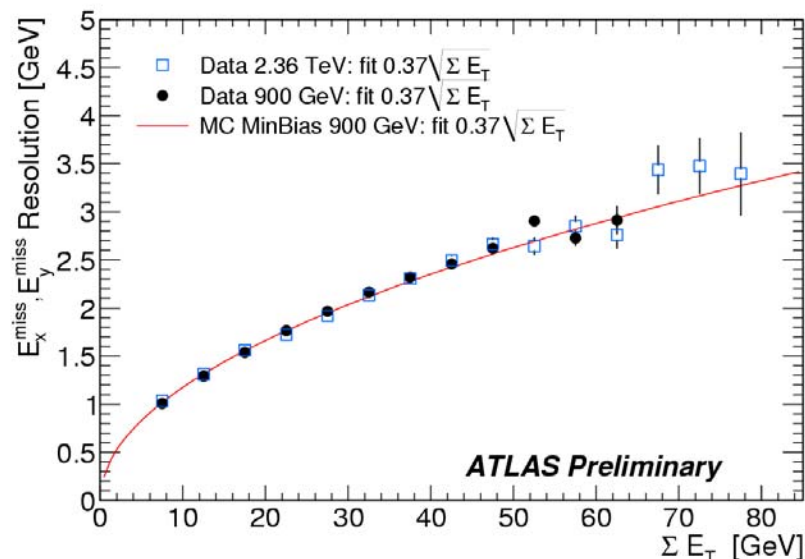
- SM physics (W, ttbar, ...);
- Higgs and SUSY searches

MissingEt resolution

- good agreement between 900 GeV and 2.36 TeV;
- well modeled by minimum bias Monte Carlo events

MissingEt distribution

- again well modeled;
- no significant tail



Muon Spectrometer

Independent muon measurement
with η coverage up to 2.7

- 8 barrel toroids : $B \sim 0.5$ T;
- 2 endcap toroids: $B \sim 1$ T;

with standalone resolution:

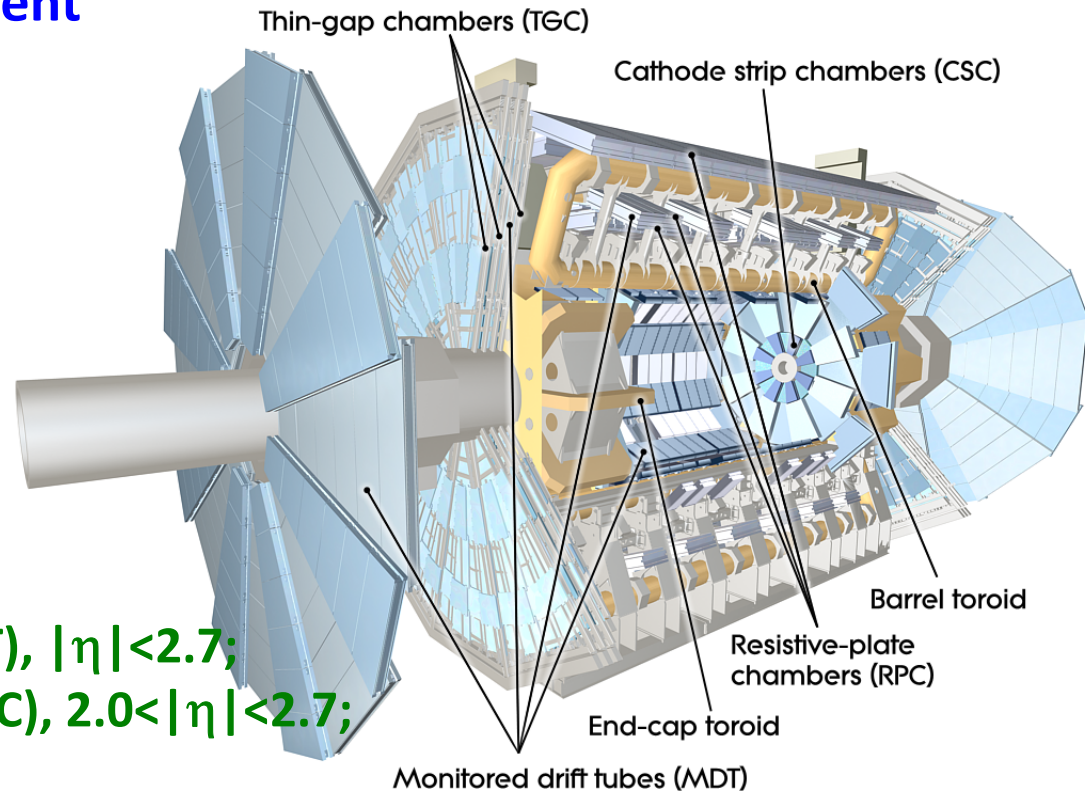
$$\frac{\sigma_{p_T}}{p_T} \approx 10\% \text{ at } p_T = 1 \text{ TeV}$$

Tracking detector:

- Monitored drift tubes (MDT), $|\eta| < 2.7$;
- Cathode strip chambers (CSC), $2.0 < |\eta| < 2.7$;
- 385k total channels

Trigger detector:

- Resistive plate chambers (RPC), $|\eta| < 1.05$;
- Thin gap chambers (TGC), $1.05 < |\eta| < 2.4$;
- 691k total channels



Barrel:

~ 700 MDTs , ~ 600 RPCs

Endcaps:

~ 400 MDTs, 32 CSCs,

~ 3600 TGCs

$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$ Candidate

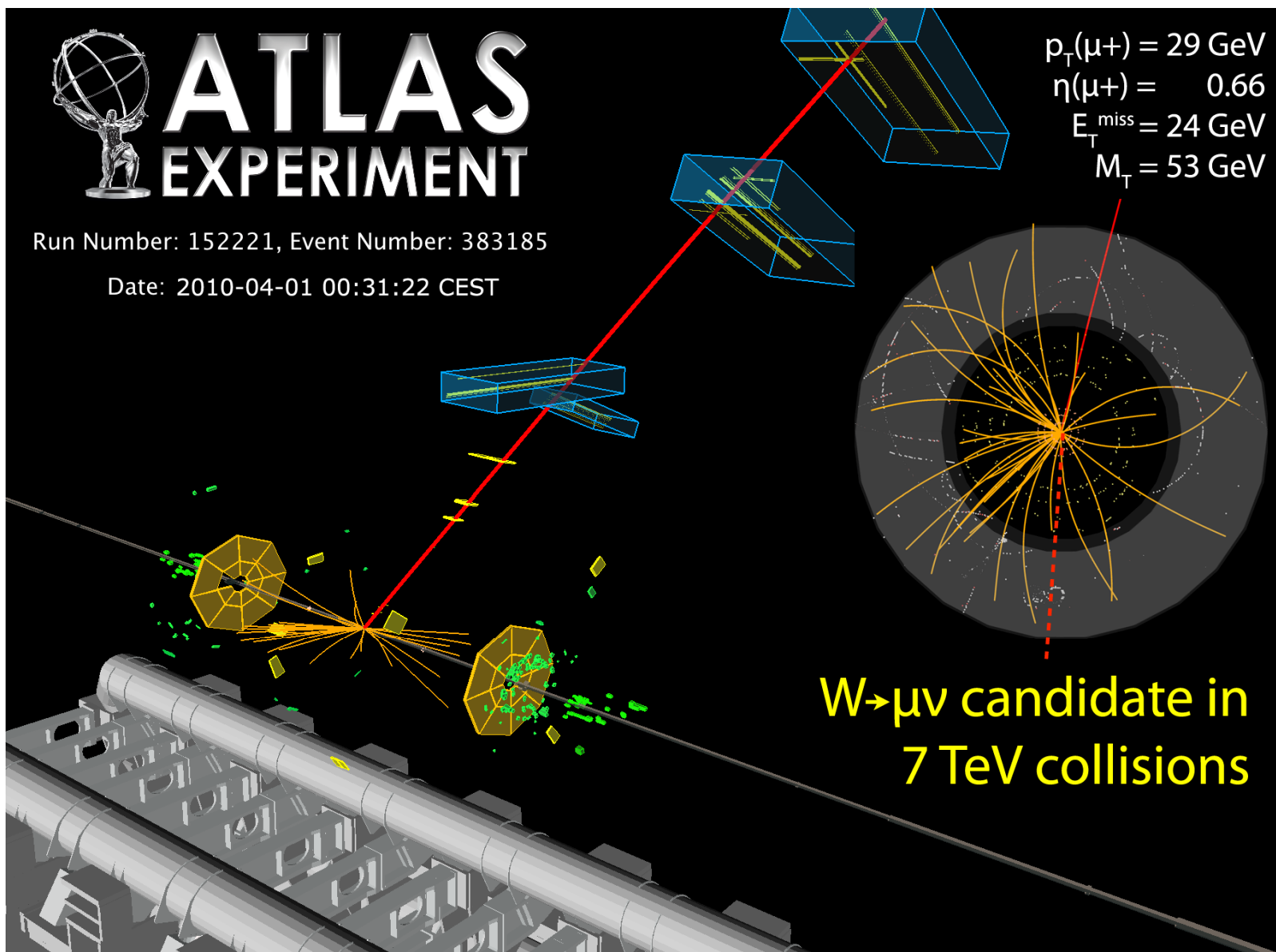


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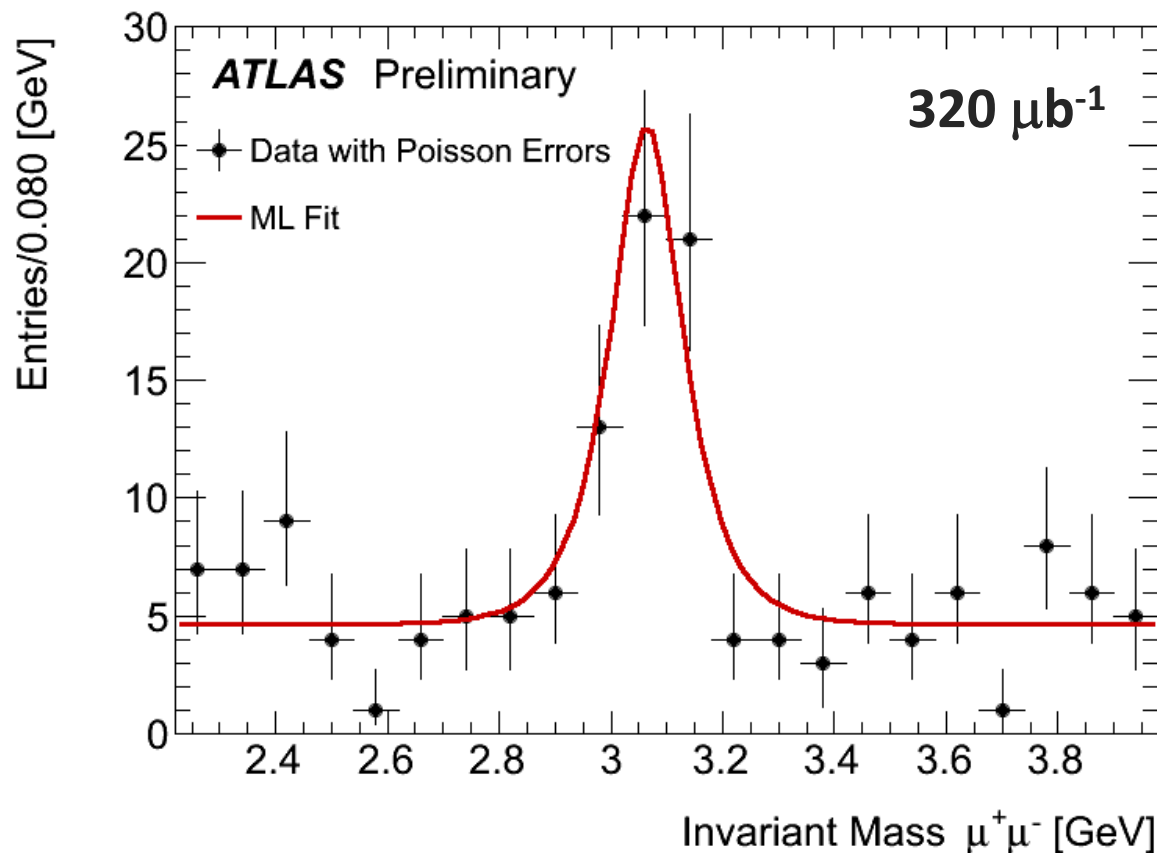
$p_T(\mu^+) = 29 \text{ GeV}$
 $\eta(\mu^+) = 0.66$
 $E_T^{\text{miss}} = 24 \text{ GeV}$
 $M_T = 53 \text{ GeV}$



$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$ candidate in
7 TeV collisions

$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ Observation

Two oppositely charged muons with $E > 3$ GeV

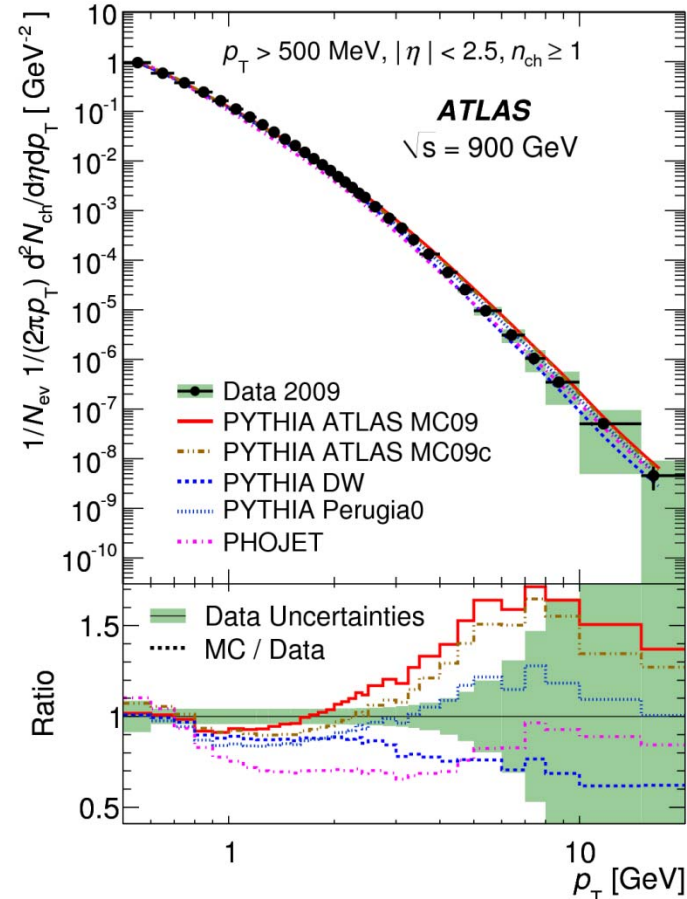
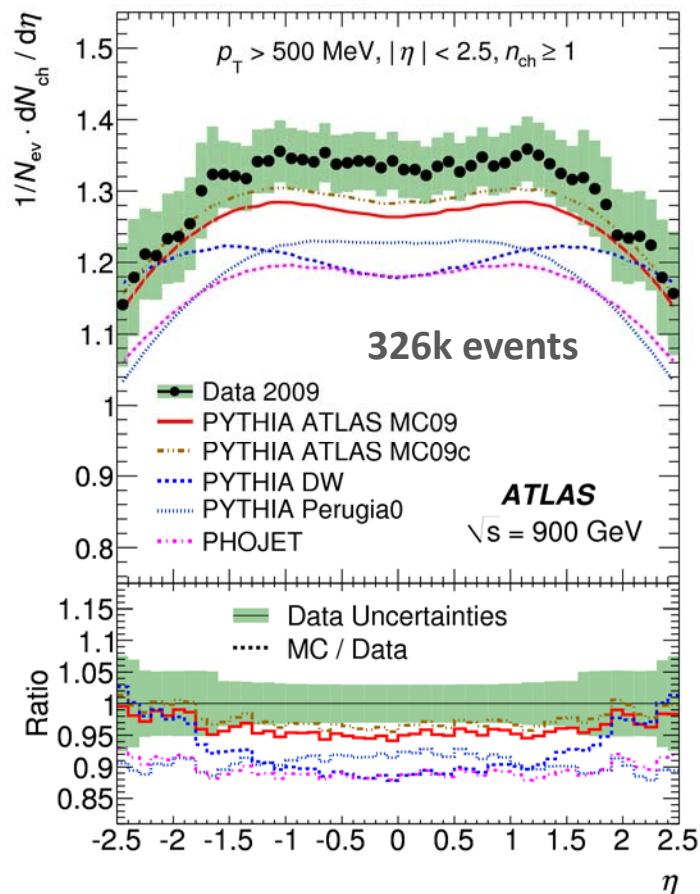


Mass: 3.06 ± 0.02 GeV, Resolution: 0.08 ± 0.02 GeV

Number of signal events: 49 ± 12 , Number of background events 28 ± 4

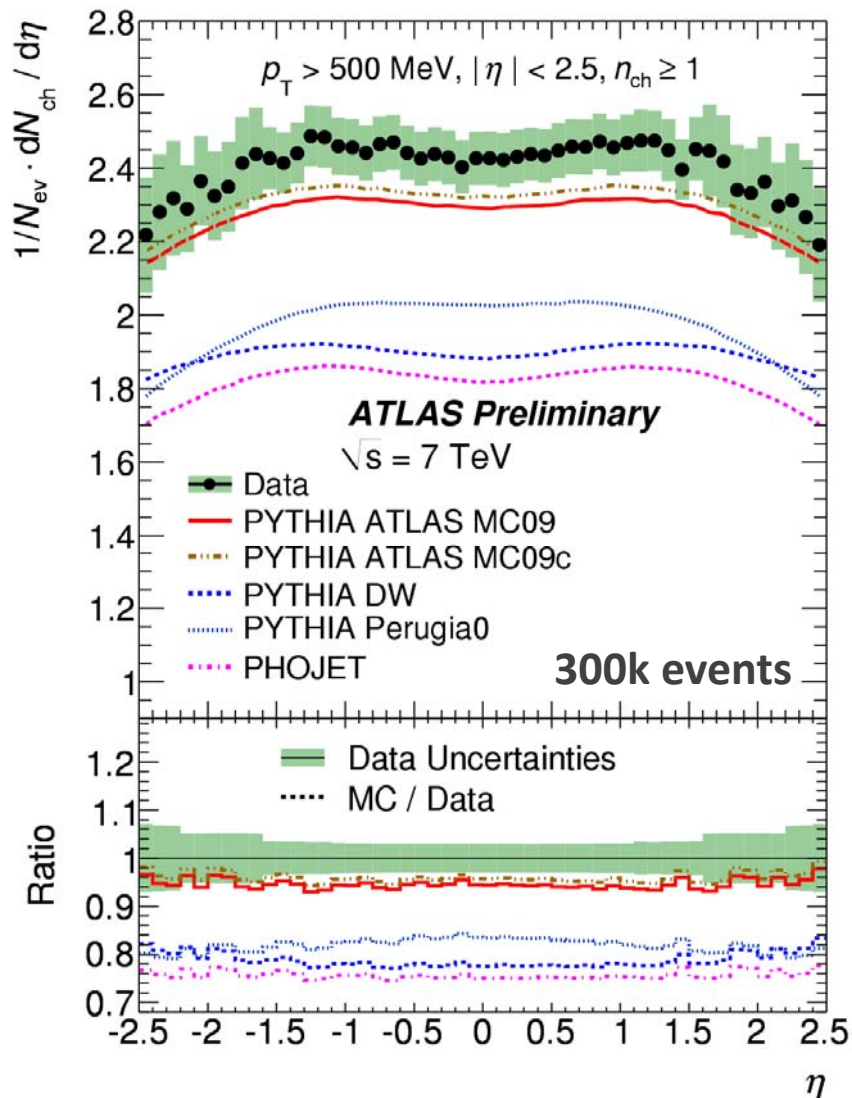
First Physics Paper

Charged-particle multiplicities in pp interactions at $\sqrt{s}=900$ GeV
measured with the ATLAS detector at the LHC
arXiv:1003.3124, CERN-PH-EP-2010-004, Phys. Lett. B 688, 21 (2010)

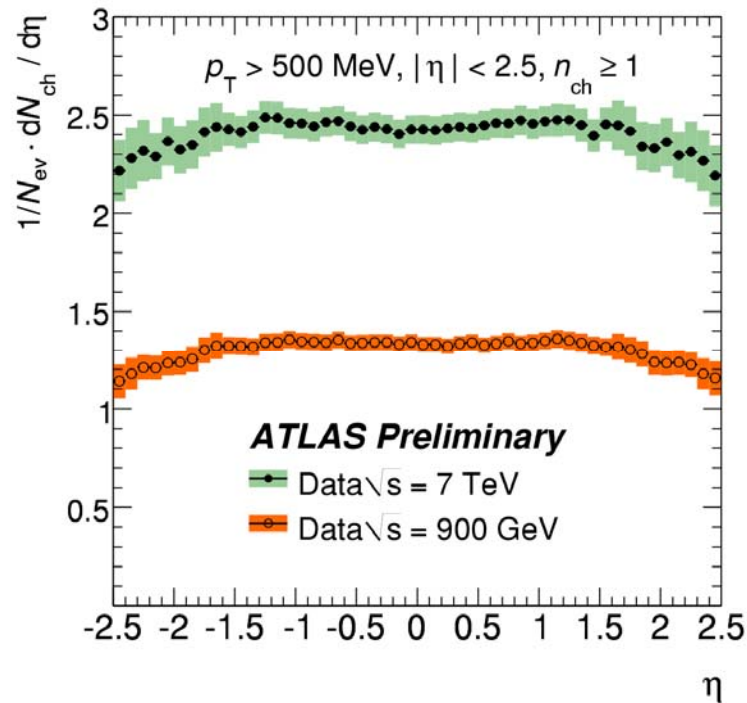


The measurements are (5-15)% higher than various predictions in the central region

Minimum Bias Events at 7 TeV



- The analysis of the 7 TeV data shows a similar data-MC difference as the published 900 GeV analysis;
- Significant increase in charge multiplicity from 900 GeV to 7 TeV, the rise is not well modeled by Pythia MC



Roadmap for 2010-2011

- Continue the validation of the detector and physics object performance
 - alignment with high p_T tracks;
 - mapping detector material;
 - establish energy/momentum scales;
 - $Z \rightarrow ll$ as standard candles for electron/muon ID studies;
 - $W \rightarrow l\nu$ for lepton and missing E_T studies;
 - $t\bar{t} \rightarrow l(l)+\text{jets}$ for studying b-jet tagging; ...
- Extensive studies of expected standard model physics
 - cross section measurements
(sub percent level statistical precisions for W and Z cross sections);
 - kinematical distributions;
- Searches for new physics
 - Dilepton and dijet resonances;
 - SM Higgs boson: a $3-4\sigma$ significance possible for $M_H=160-170$ GeV;
 - Supersymmetry: $>5\sigma$ for squarks/gluinos with mass up to 500 GeV

For almost all searches, expected ATLAS sensitivities will exceed those of the Tevatron

Summary

- **LHC is running and ATLAS is taking data!**
 - exciting time for the field in general, and those working on LHC in particular;
 - lifetime experience to witness the startup
- **ATLAS experiment is running smoothly from data taking to physics analyses**
 - remarkable good performance at this early stage;
 - excellent MC descriptions of detector geometry and material;
 - ready for the extended 2010-2011 running; ...
- **Prospects gradually give way to results**
 - first physics paper published, more in the pipeline;
 - expect to competitive with the Tevatron in 2010 in some areas;
 - exceed Tevatron sensitivities in most of searches in 2011

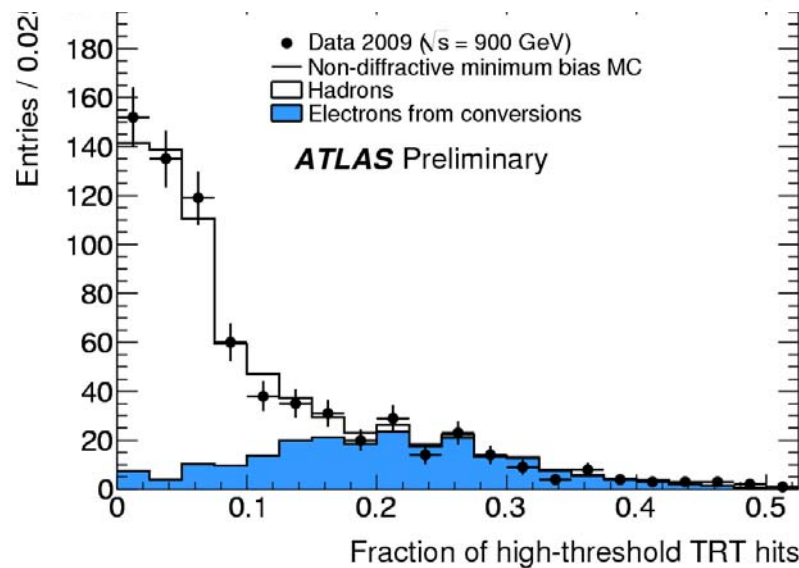
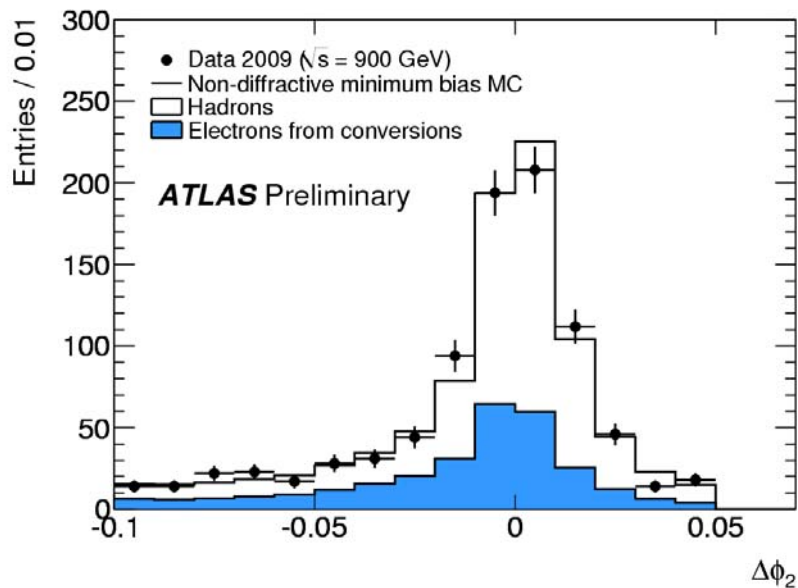
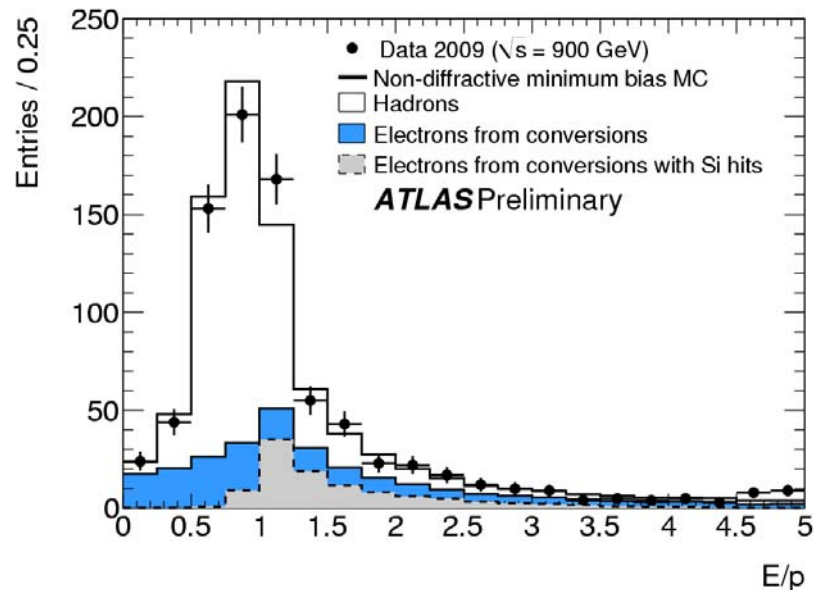


Additional Slides

Electrons Identification

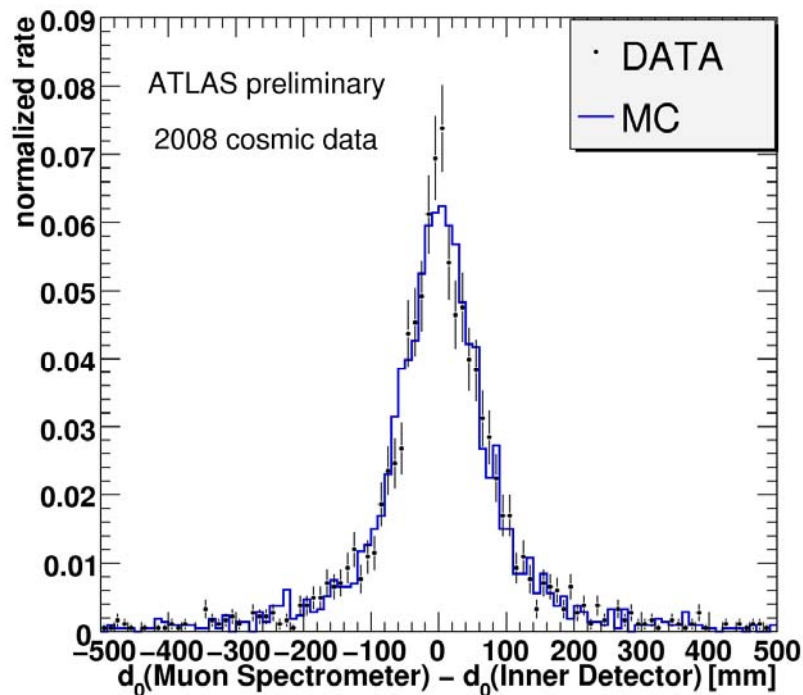
A few $W \rightarrow e\nu$ candidates, not enough to do detailed studies...

- Using electrons from photon conversions to check ID variables;
- Good agreements between data and MC in almost all variables



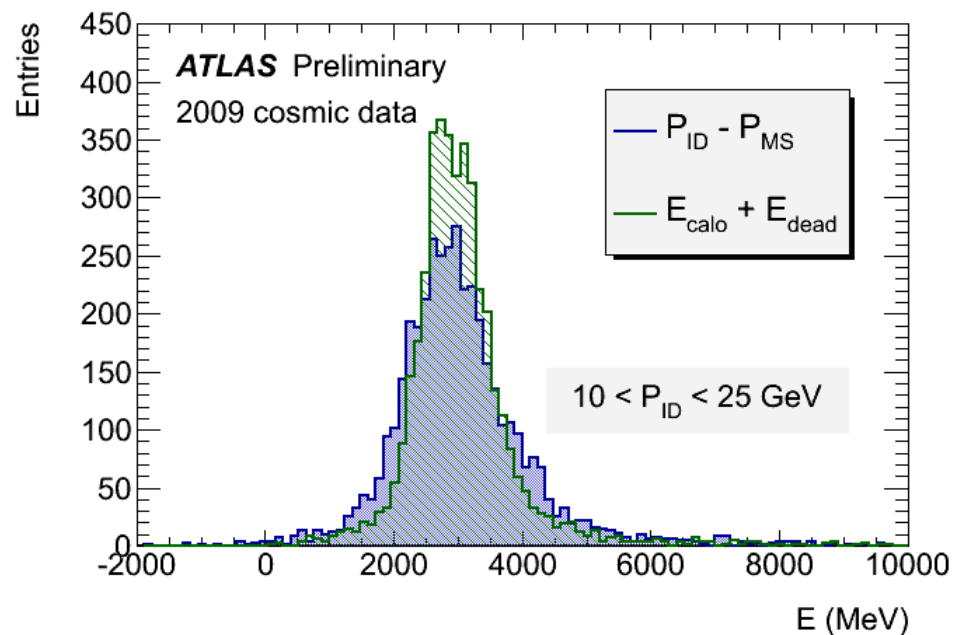
Muon Performance

Not enough muons from collision data, but lots from cosmics



- The muon spectrometer and the inner detector are reasonably aligned;
- MC reproduces cosmic ray data well

- Momentum difference between MS and ID reasonably reproduce the energy measured in the calorimeter \Rightarrow track momentum scales are understood

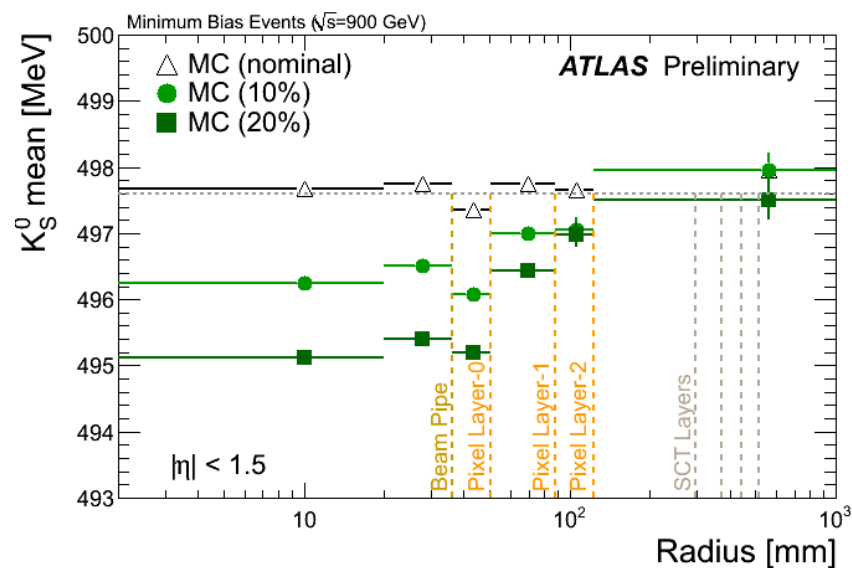
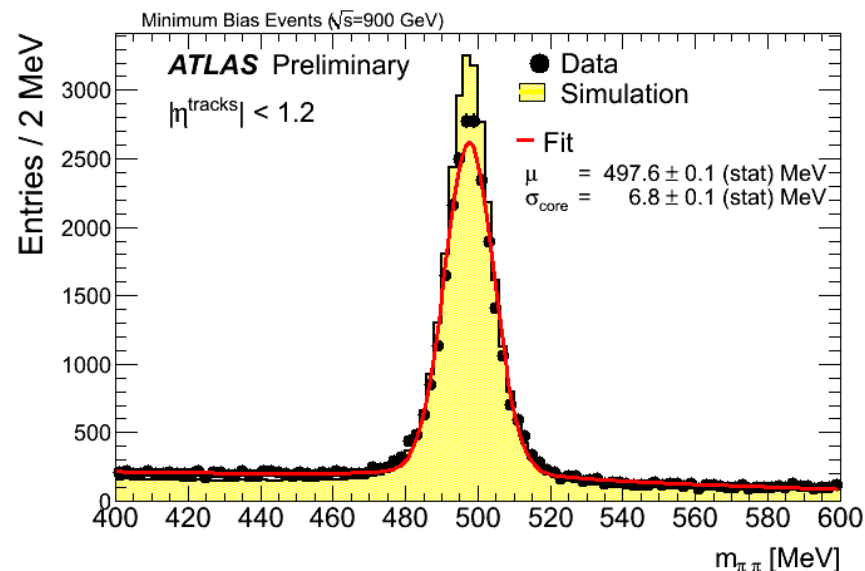
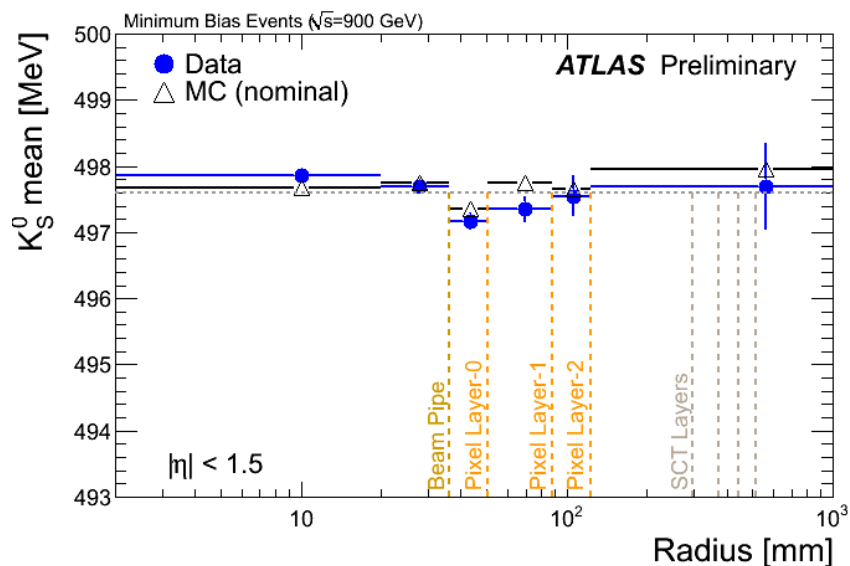


Material in the Tracker

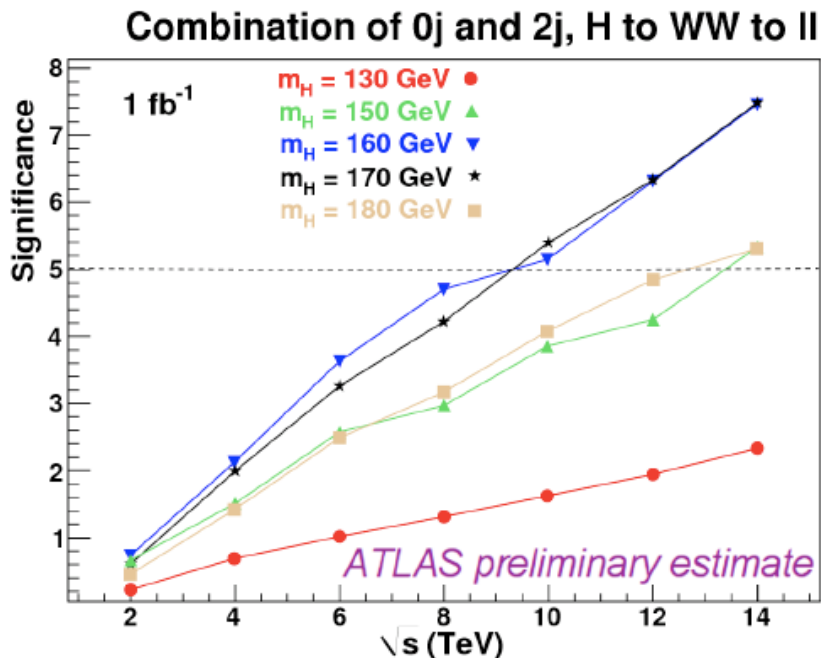
Long-lived particles can be used to study materials inside the tracker

- Its mass is sensitive to the amount of material its daughter tracks pass
- test with special Monte Carlo with additional material

Good description of material in Monte Carlo



Beyond Known Physics



2010-2011 Run: 1 fb⁻¹ at 7 TeV

Higgs searches:

A 3-4 σ significance possible in the most favorable mass range 160-170 GeV from $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow ll\nu\nu$ alone

Supersymmetry searches:

- significant discovery reaches for squarks/gluinos;
- expect $>5\sigma$ significance at 500 GeV

For almost all searches, expected ATLAS sensitivities will exceed those of the Tevatron

