

# The ATLAS B-physics Trigger

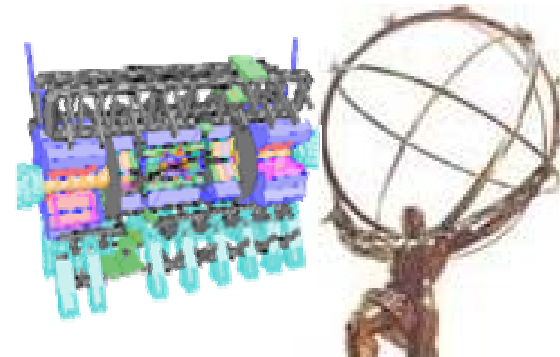
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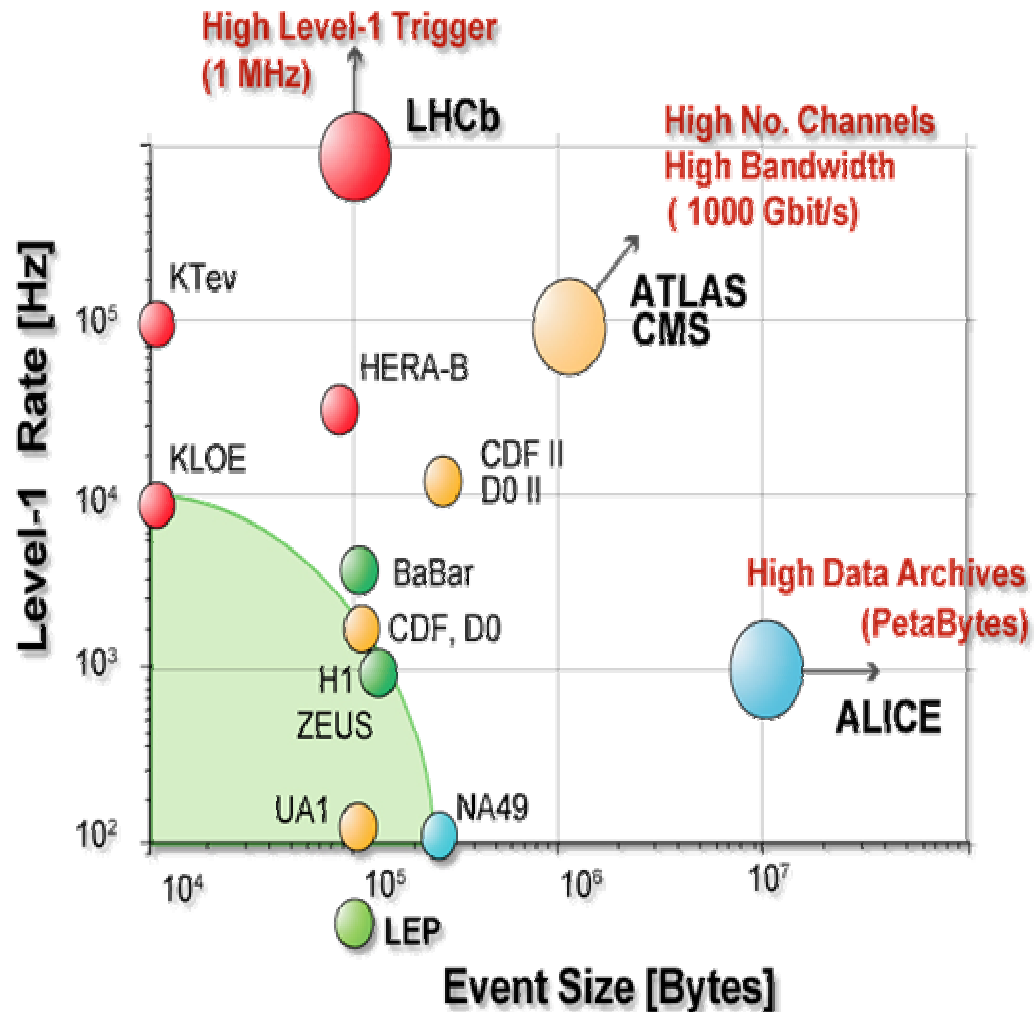
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# LHC and ATLAS

- LHC
  - 14 TeV centre-of-mass p-p, bunch crossing @ 40 MHz
  - target peak luminosity  $2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  initially, rising to  $1 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
  - 4.6 – 23 interactions per bunch crossing
  - discovery physics  
“needle in a haystack”
- ATLAS
  - decision every 25 ns
  - about  $10^8$  channels
  - mass storage limits accept rate to  $O(100\text{MB/s})$



# ATLAS

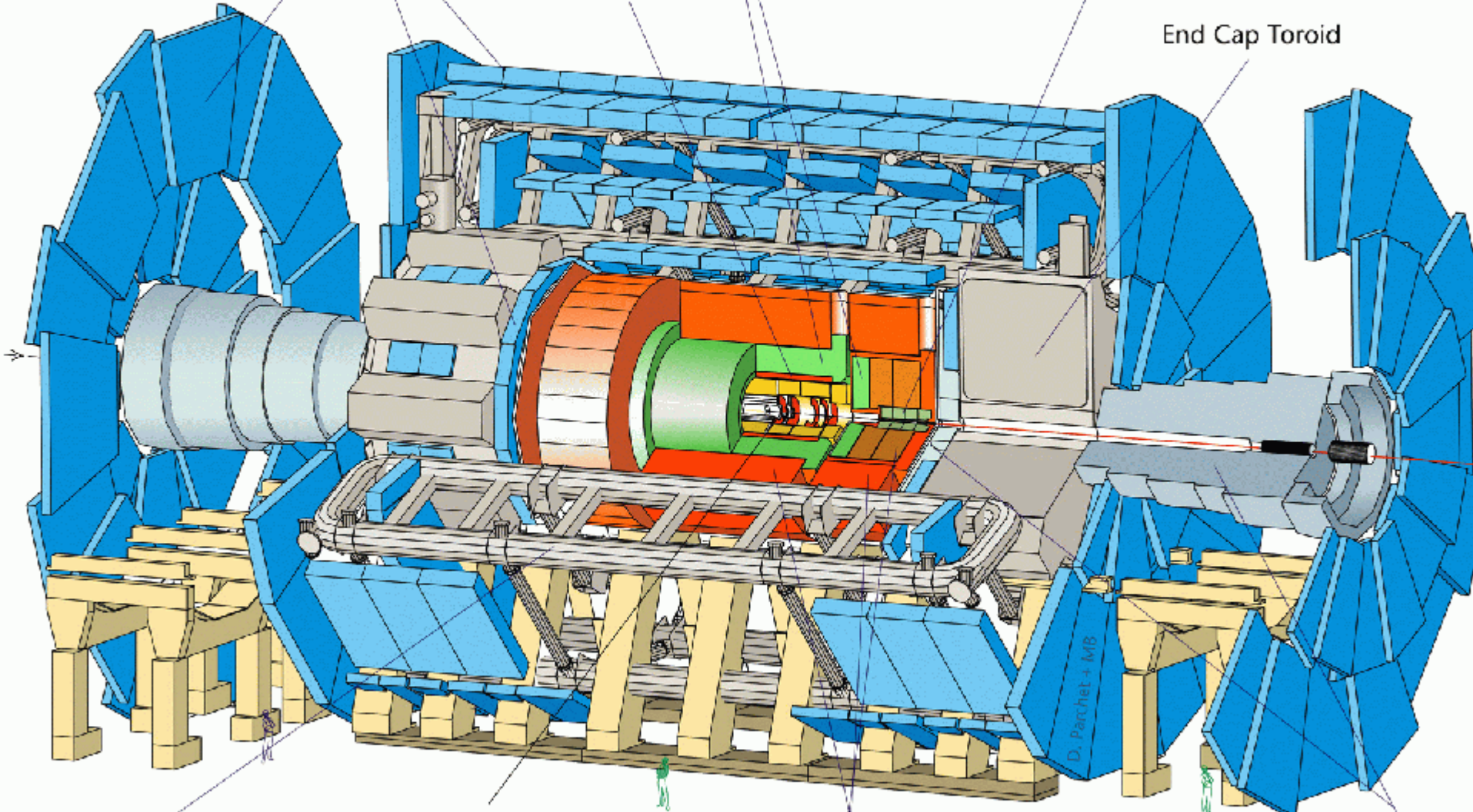
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Electromagnetic Calorimeters

Forward Calorimeters

End Cap Toroid

Solenoid



Barrel Toroid

Inner Detector

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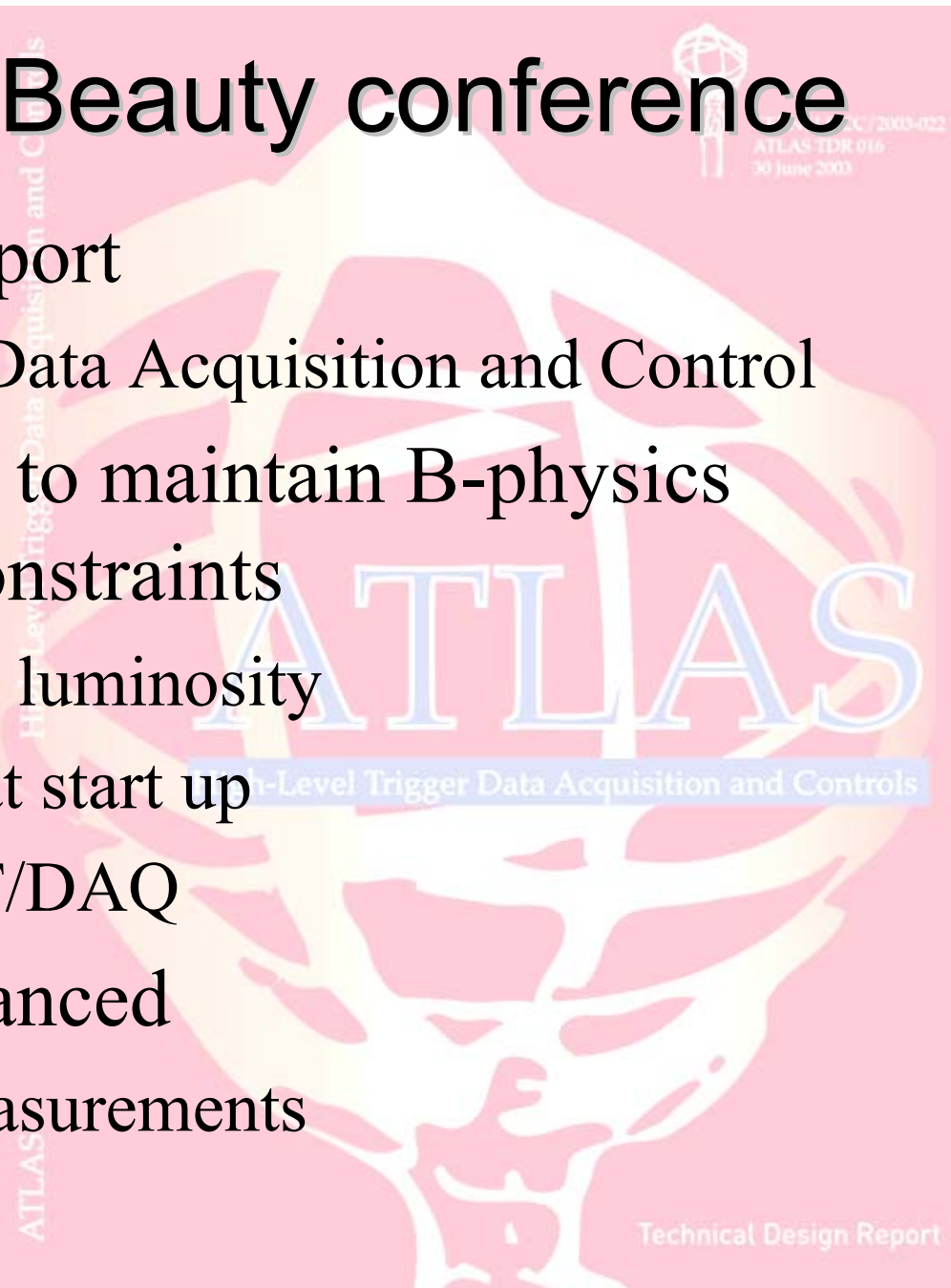
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# News since last Beauty conference



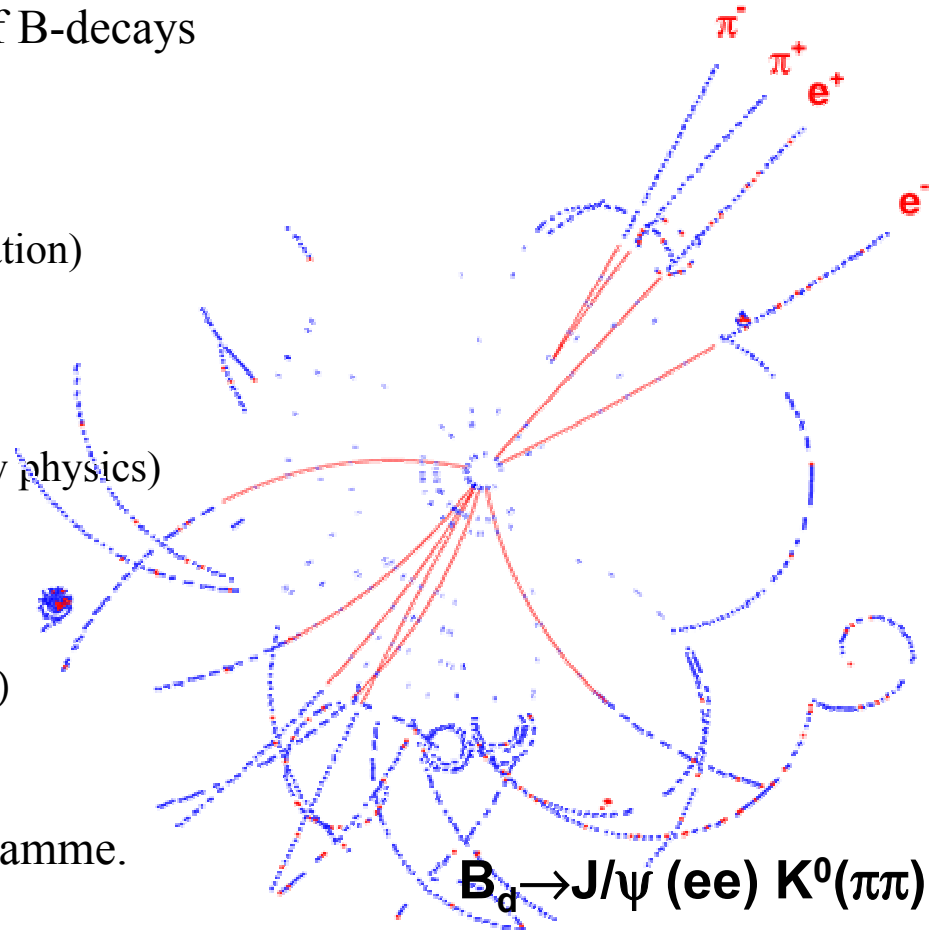
ATLAS TDR 016  
30 June 2003

- Technical Design Report
  - High Level Trigger, Data Acquisition and Control
- Further work on how to maintain B-physics programme within constraints
  - Higher target start-up luminosity
  - Incomplete detector at start up
  - Cost constraints for T/DAQ
- Software further advanced
  - new performance measurements

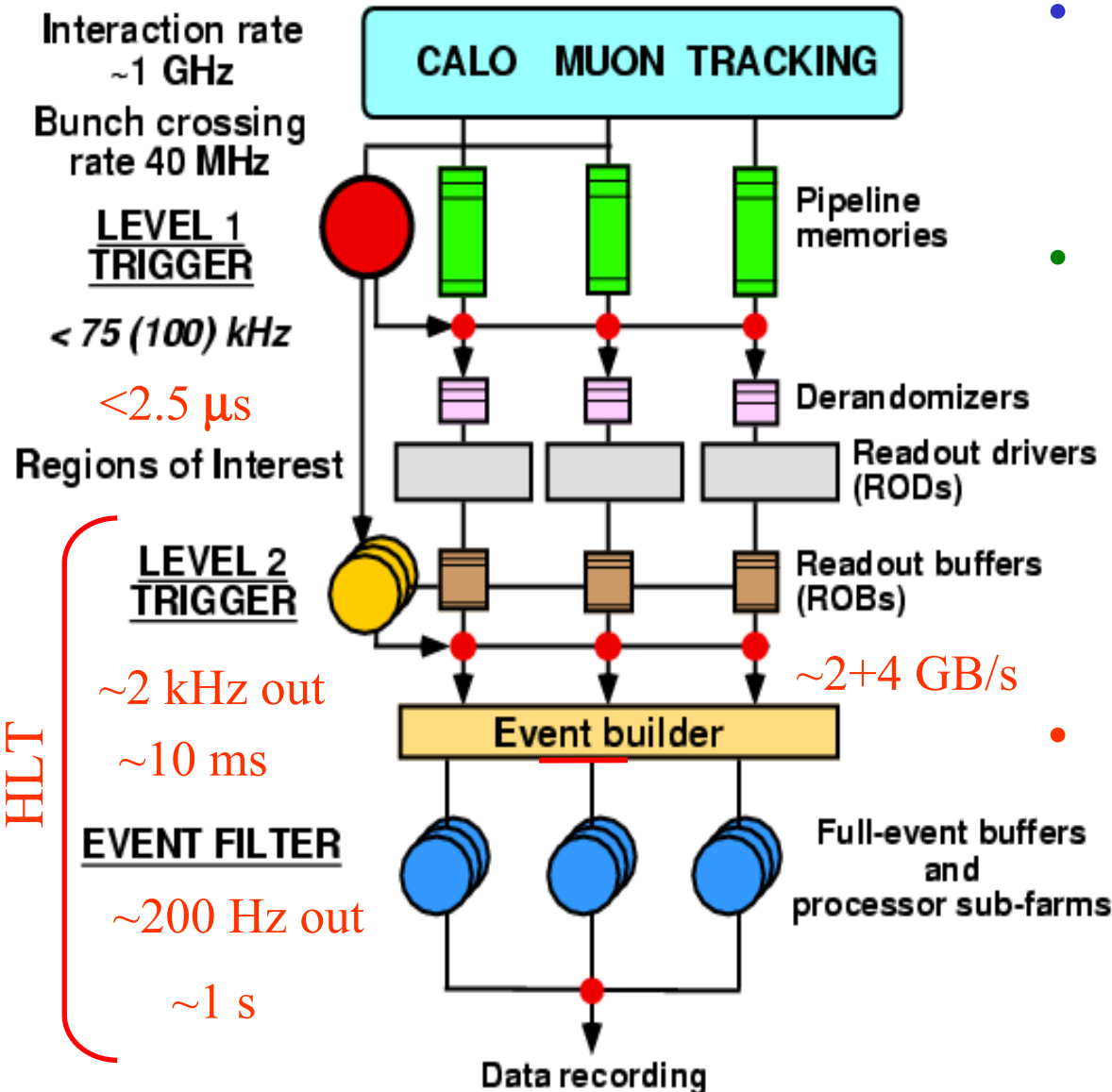


# B-physics triggering – the challenge

- About 1% of collisions produce a  $b\bar{b}$  pair
- Trigger must therefore be more selective
- At luminosity  $\geq 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  : di-muon trigger
- At lower luminosities: introduce additional semi-exclusive HLT Selection based on single muon and partial reconstruction of B-decays
- Channels of interest, e.g. CP violation
  - $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi K_S$  ( $J/\psi \rightarrow ee$  and  $\mu\mu$ )
  - $B_d \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  (or generally any  $\pi/K$  combination)
- $B_s$  oscillations
  - $B_s \rightarrow D_s\pi/a_1$ ,  $D_s \rightarrow \phi\pi$
- Final state analysis
  - $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$ ,  $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\eta$  (enhanced by new physics)
- Rare decays
  - $B_{d,s} \rightarrow \mu\mu(X)$
- B-hadron production
  - $B_c$  properties,  $\Lambda_b$  polarisation ( $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ )
  - precision measurements
- See Paula Eerola's talk for physics programme.

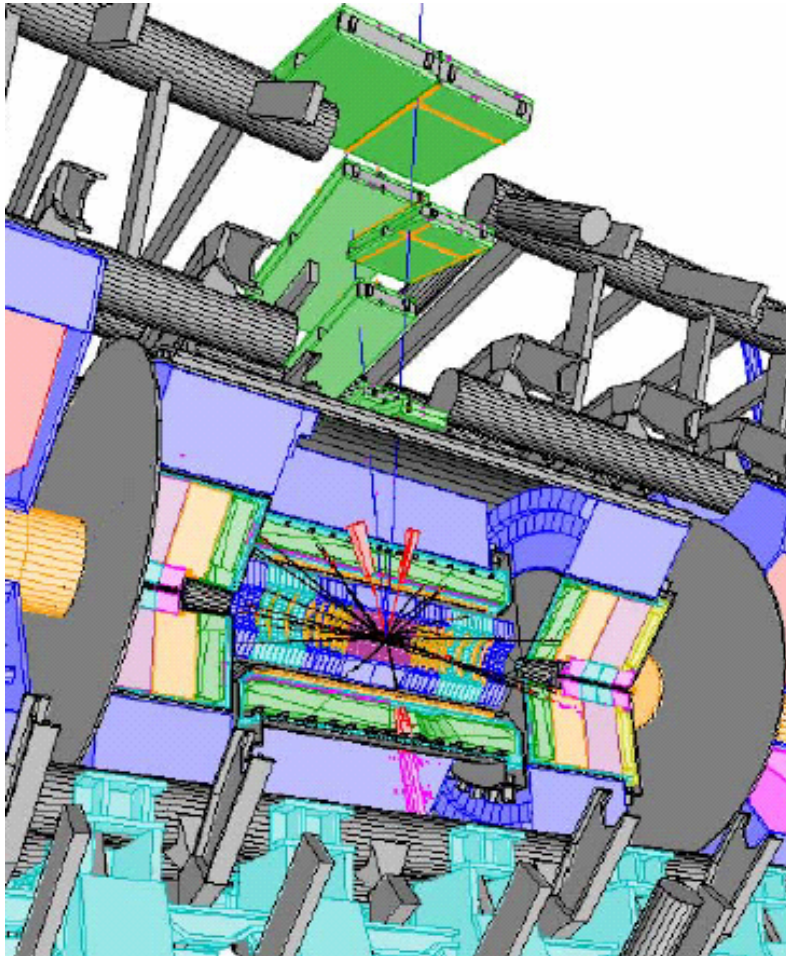


# ATLAS T/DAQ system overview



- LVL1 decision based on coarse granularity calo towers and muon trigger stations
- LVL2 can get data at full granularity and combine info from all detectors. Emphasis on fast rejection. Region of interest from LVL1 used to reduce data requested to few % of full event.
- EF refines selection according to LVL2 classification, performing fuller reconstruction. More detailed alignment and calibration data available.

# Region of interest mechanism

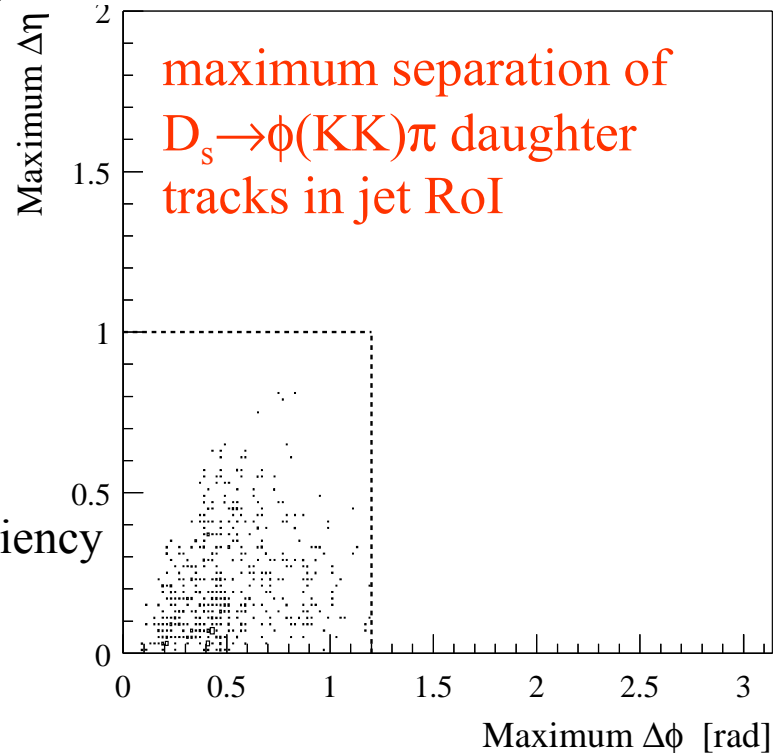


- LVL1 selection is mainly based on **local signatures** identified at coarse granularity in muon detectors and calorimeter .
- Further rejection can be achieved by examining **full granularity** muon, calo and **inner detector** data in the same localities
- The **Region of Interest** is the **geometrical location** of a LVL1 signature.
- It is passed to **LVL2** where it is quickly translated into a list of corresponding **readout buffers**
- LVL2 requests RoI data sequentially, one detector at a time, only transfers as much data as needed to reject the event.
- The RoI mechanism is a powerful and important way to gain **additional rejection before event building**
- Order of magnitude **reduction in dataflow bandwidth**, at small cost of more control traffic



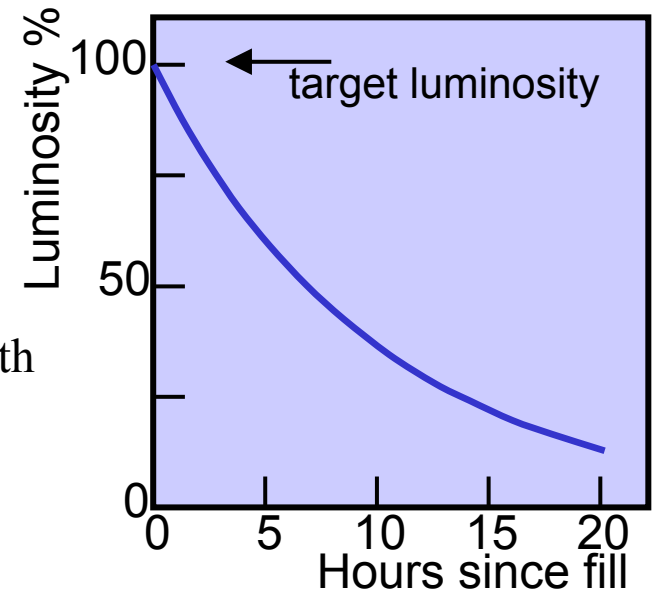
# Two strategies for B-physics triggering

- At luminosity  $\geq 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ : di-muon trigger
- For low luminosity semi-inclusive B-physics selection ( $\sim 1 \times 10^{33}$ ):
  - **1) RoI-guided**
    - LVL1 single muon (e.g.  $p_T > 8 \text{ GeV}$ ) + jet or EM
    - LVL2 validate muon
    - LVL2 & EF reconstruct tracks in jet/EM RoI, select  $J/\psi(ee)$   $B_d(hh)$   $D_s(\phi\pi)$
    - **Pro**: significantly reduces resources ( $\sim 10\%$ )
    - **Con**: could be too many RoIs or too low efficiency
  - **2) Full scan**
    - LVL1 single muon (e.g.  $p_T > 8 \text{ GeV}$ )
    - LVL2 validate muon
    - LVL2 reconstruct tracks in full acceptance of SCT + Pixels, select  $B_d(hh)$   $D_s(\phi\pi)$
    - $J/\psi(ee)$  requires further resources for TRT scan
    - EF full scan or use LVL2 tracks to form RoI
    - **Pro**: higher efficiency than option 1
    - **Con**: needs more resources (CPU and network)



# B-Trigger for start up conditions

- At start up, expect
  - luminosity varying from fill to fill
  - variable beam-related background
  - incomplete detector
  - understanding and tuning of detector
  - limited T/DAQ processing capacity and bandwidth
- Take advantage of LHC luminosity drop
  - Fall by factor of  $\sim 2$  from start of fill to end of coast
  - Initial T/DAQ system built to requirements of target peak luminosity ( $2 \times 10^{33}$ )
  - As luminosity drops, use spare capacity for B-physics triggers
  - “Checkpoint” feature of run control system planned to enable rapid update of configuration mid-run
- Robust algorithms
  - w.r.t. noise, alignment
- Flexible configuration
  - adapt thresholds, pre-scales and other parameters to cope with varying noise, luminosity, etc.

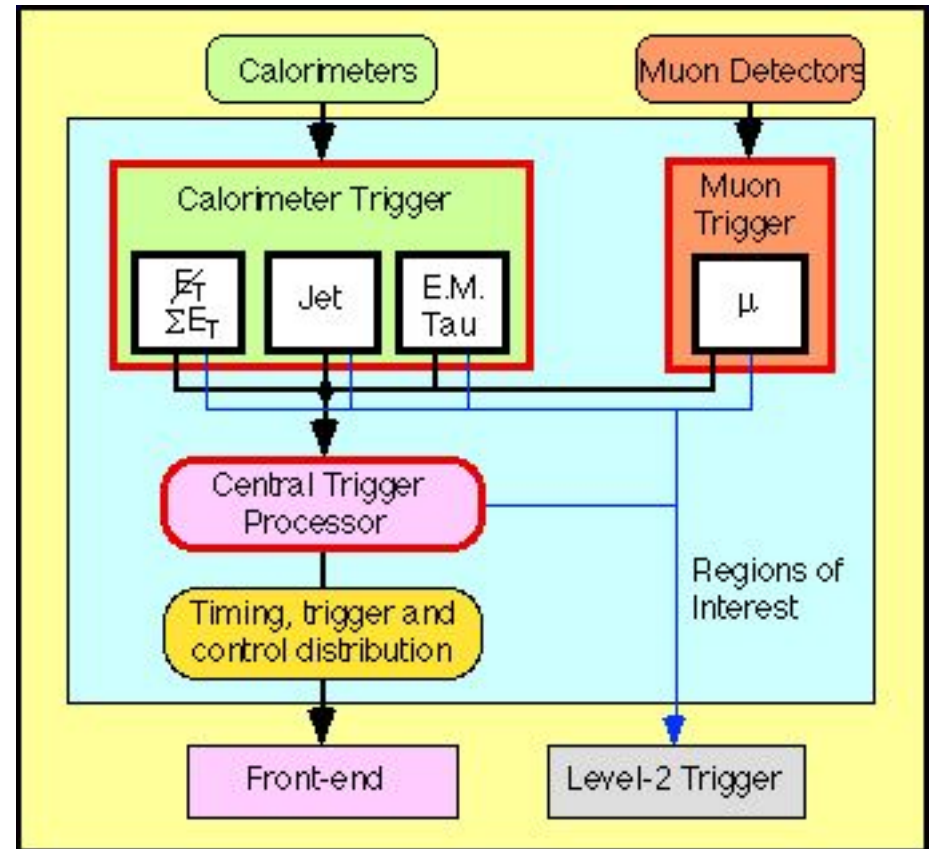


# Estimated Trigger Rates

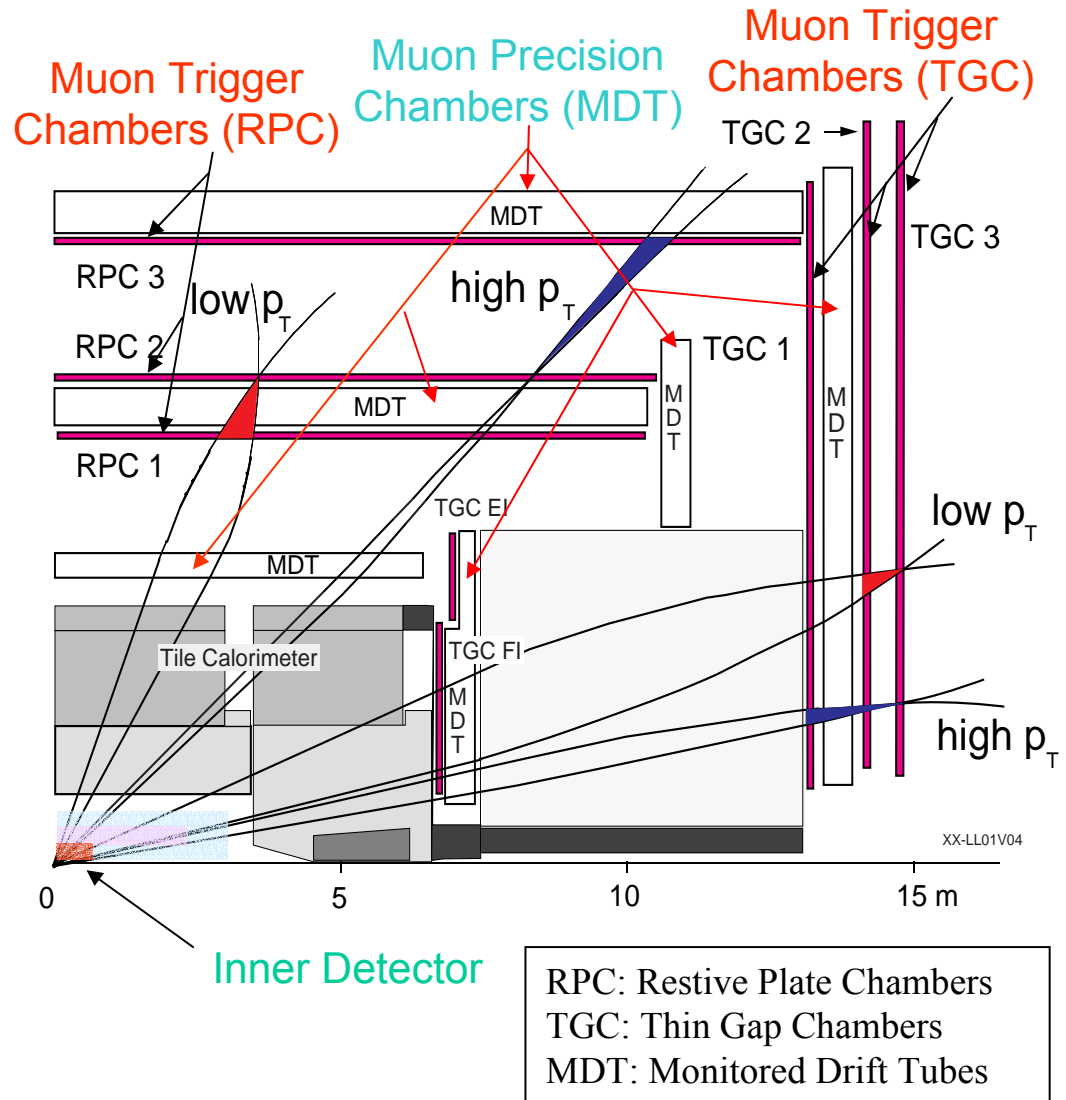
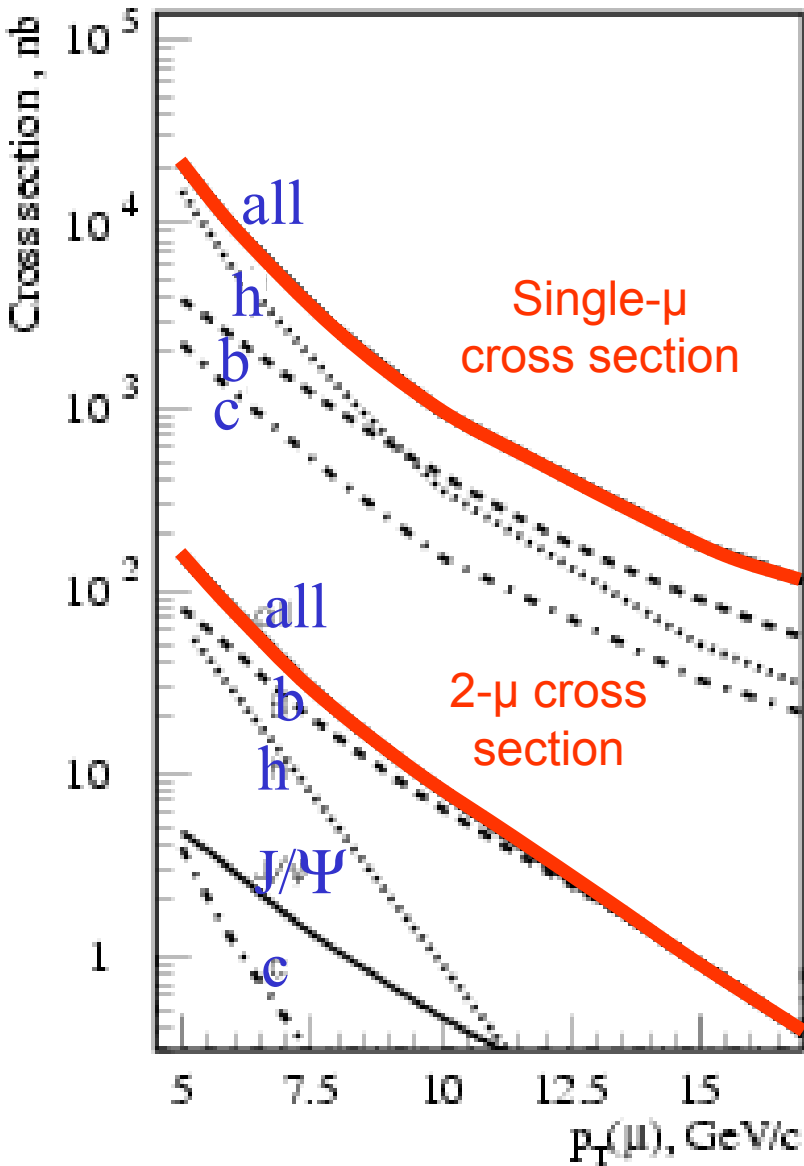
Trigger	$2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$		$1 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	
	LVL2	EF	LVL2	EF
$B_{d,s} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-(X)$	200 Hz	small	100 Hz	small
$J/\psi(\mu^+\mu^-)$		10 Hz		5 Hz
$D_s(\phi\pi)$	–	–	60 Hz	9 Hz
$B(\pi\pi)$	–	–	20 Hz	3 Hz
$J/\psi(ee)$	–	–	10 Hz	2 Hz
<b>Total</b>	<b>200 Hz</b>	<b>10 Hz</b>	<b>190 Hz</b>	<b>20 Hz</b>

# LVL1 Overview

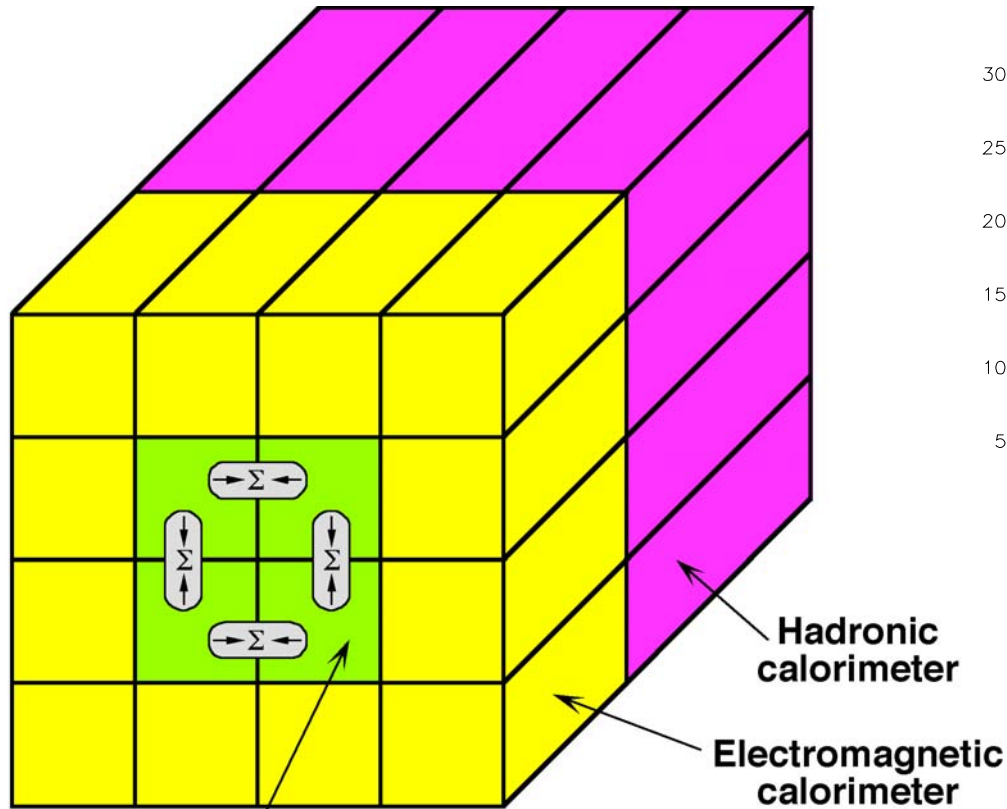
- Identify basic signatures of interesting physics
  - muons
  - em/tau/jet calo clusters
  - missing/sum  $E_T$
- Hardware trigger
  - programmable and custom electronics (FPGA + ASIC)
  - programmable thresholds
- Decision based on multiplicities and thresholds



# LVL1 Muon trigger



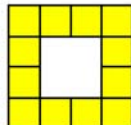
# LVL1 Jet & EM triggers



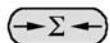
Trigger towers ( $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.1 \times 0.1$ )



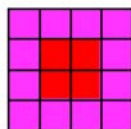
Vertical Sums



Electromagnetic isolation < e.m. isolation threshold



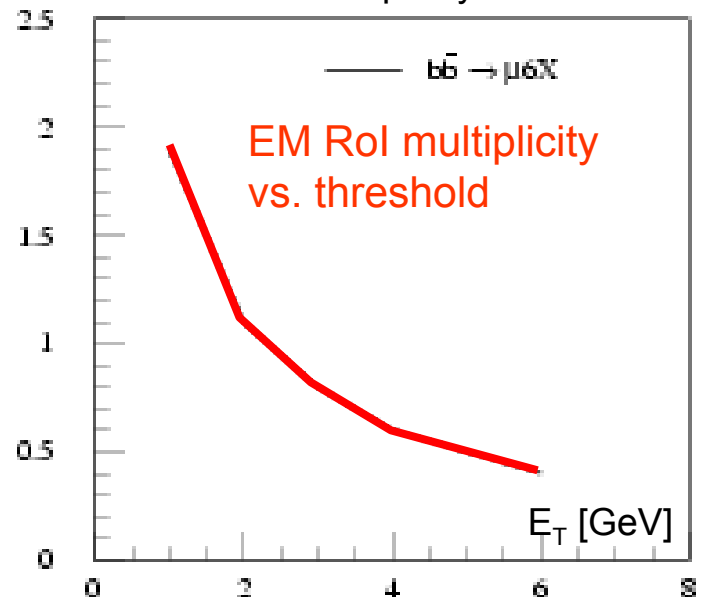
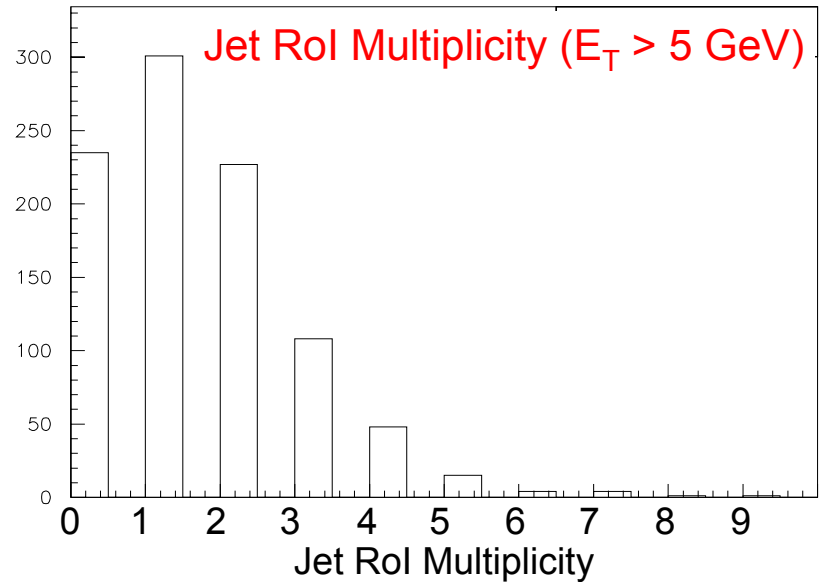
Horizontal Sums



Hadronic isolation < inner & outer isolation thresholds

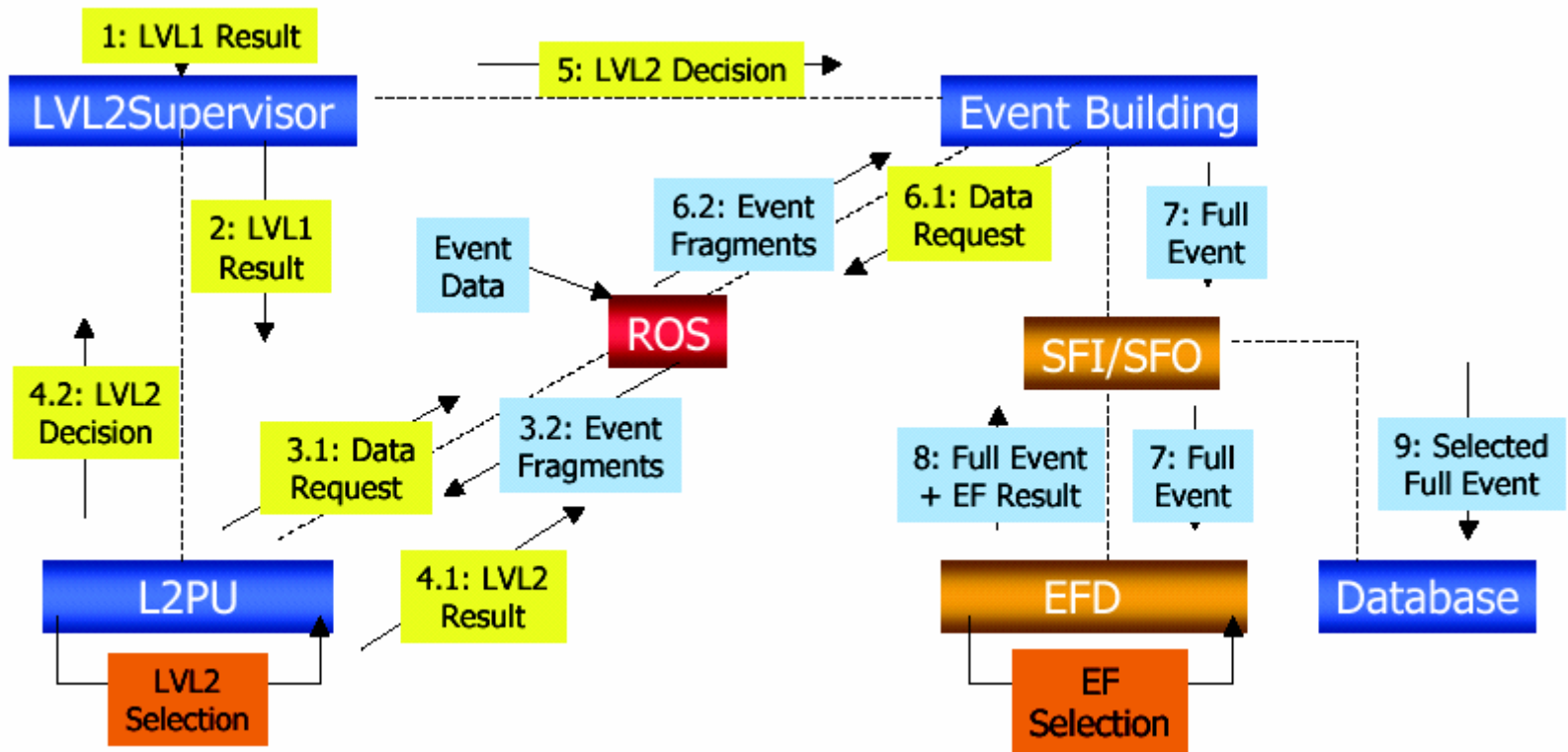


De-cluster/ROI region: local maximum

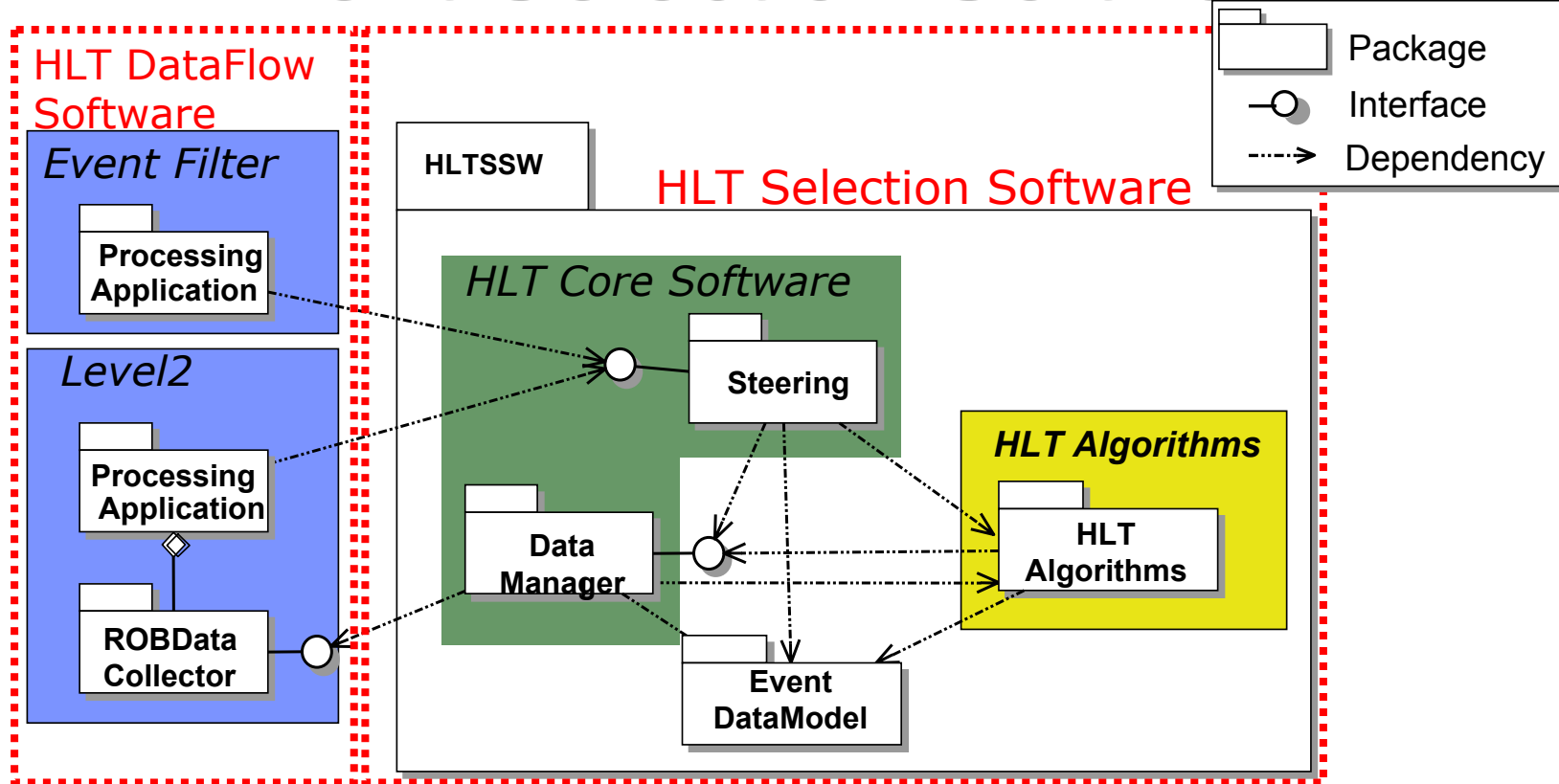


# High Level Trigger

- Commodity electronics (PCs, switches)
  - few custom components e.g. readout buffers
- Software based
  - large and complex software engineering project



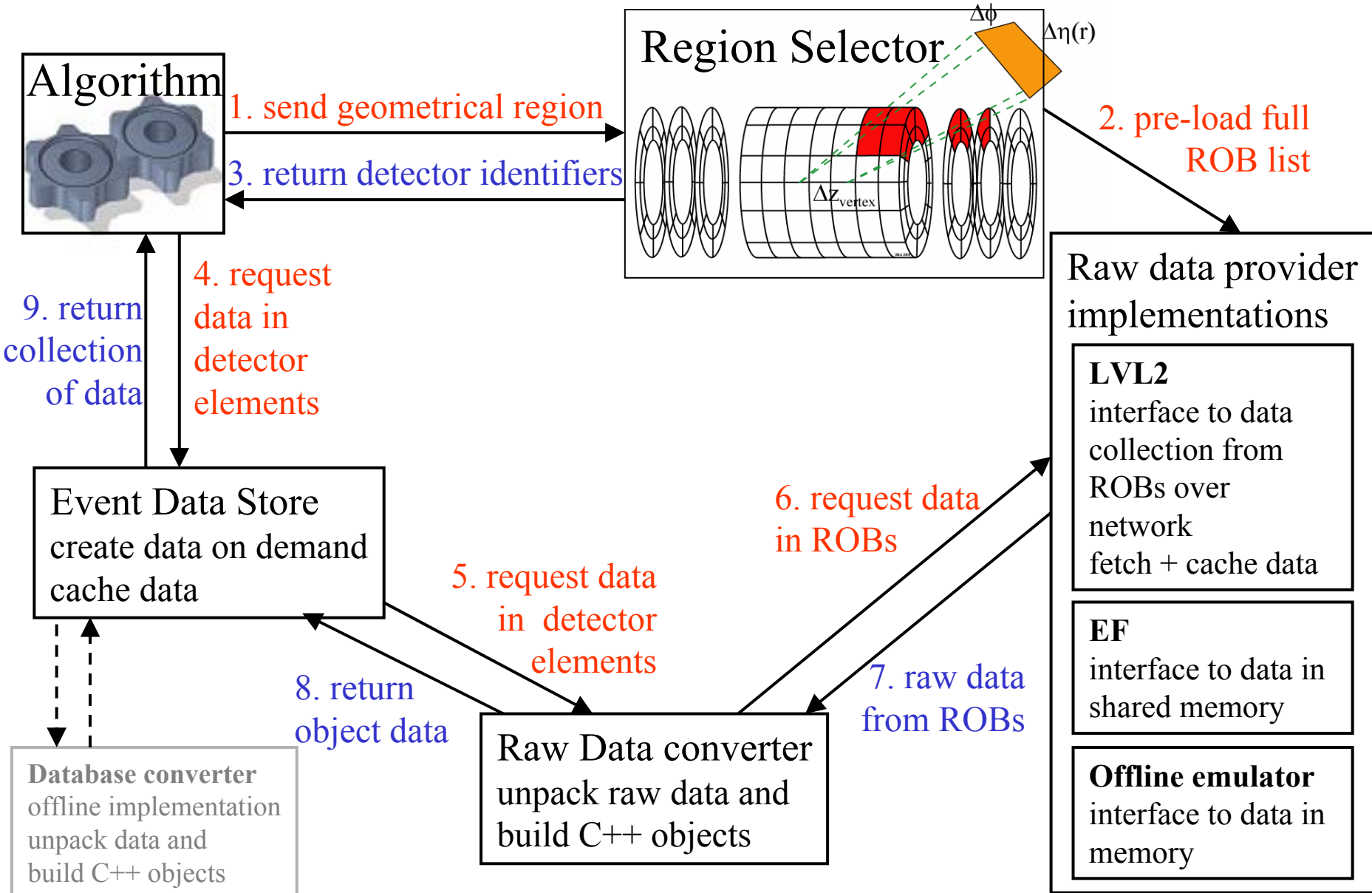
# HLT Event Selection Software



- Common selection software for LVL2, EF, offline - differences hidden behind interfaces
- Re-use of offline software in framework, basic services, data unpacking
- LVL2 has specialised algorithms and constraints of multi-threading
- EF re-uses offline reconstruction algorithms (toolkit approach)
- Integration tool “AthenaMT” provides single-PC test environment for offline software
- Test data has fully simulated detector, format expected from readout electronics



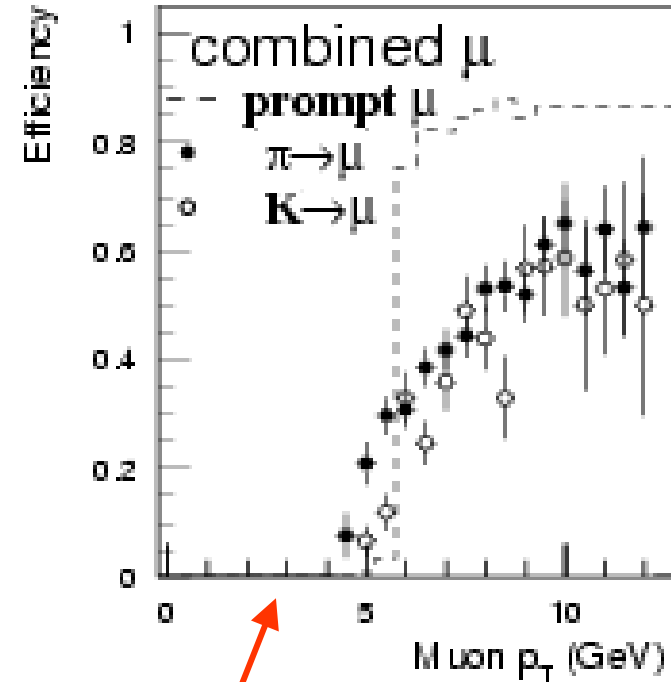
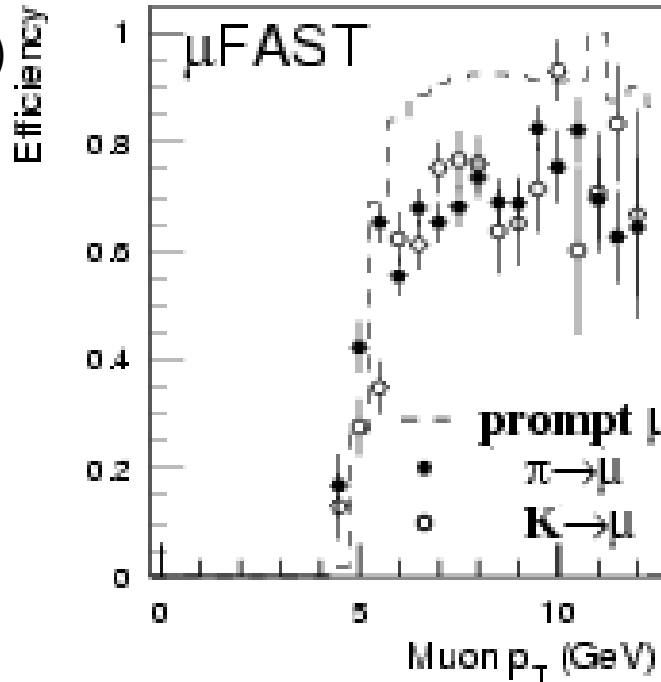
# RoI mechanism and data access



# LVL2 Muon algorithm

$1 \times 10^{33}$ ,  $|\eta| < 1$

Physics process	Rate (kHz)
$\pi/K$ decays	3.00
b decays	0.90
c decays	0.50
$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$	0.003
cavern background	negligible
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.40</b>

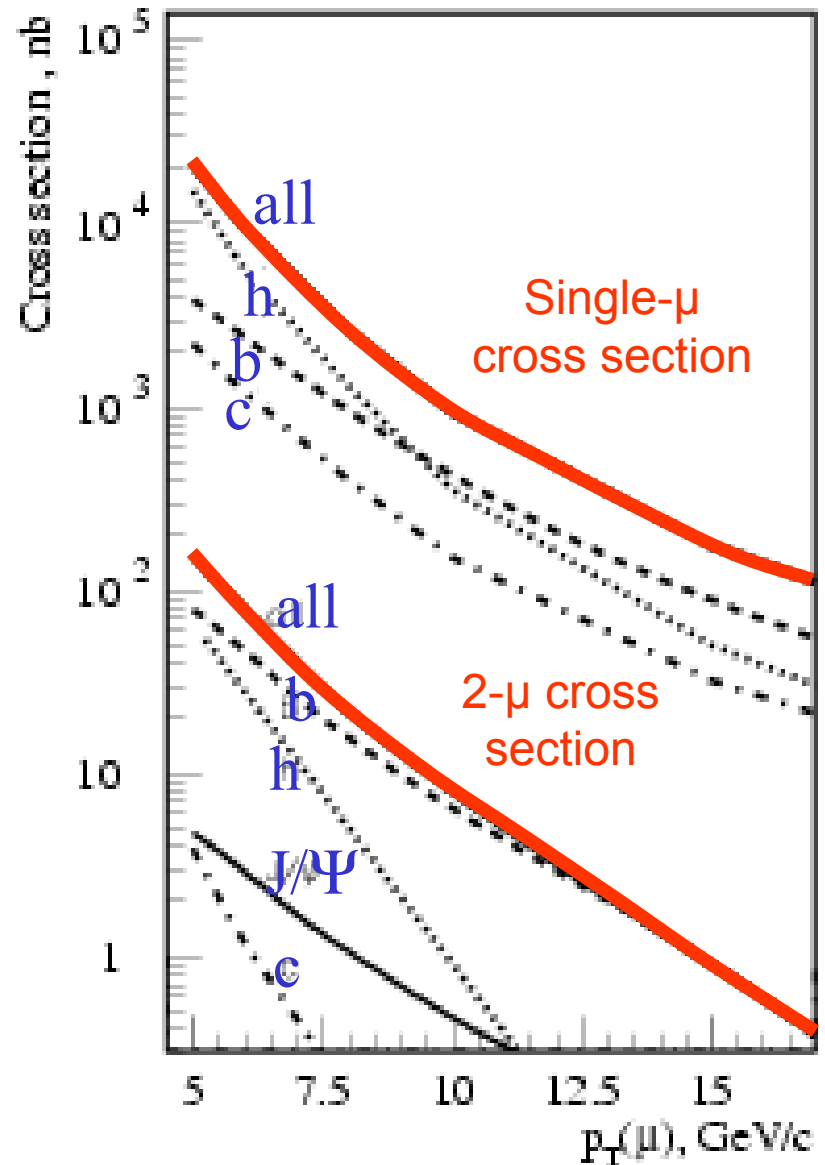


- LVL2 MuFast algorithm uses data from precision chambers
  - better  $p_T$  measurements allows tighter threshold, rejects low-  $p_T$  background
- output rates after LVL2 muon-spectrometer trigger still dominated by  $\pi/K$  decays
- reject  $\pi/K \rightarrow \mu$  by combining muon and inner detector tracks
  - $z$ ,  $\phi$  and  $p_T$  matching
  - $p_T$  resolution further improved
  - $\pi/K \rightarrow \mu$  rate reduction by factor 3
- Total rate (extrapolate from barrel to full detector)
  - $\sim 5$  kHz for a 6 GeV threshold and  $1 \times 10^{33}$

Full simulation results  
for barrel only

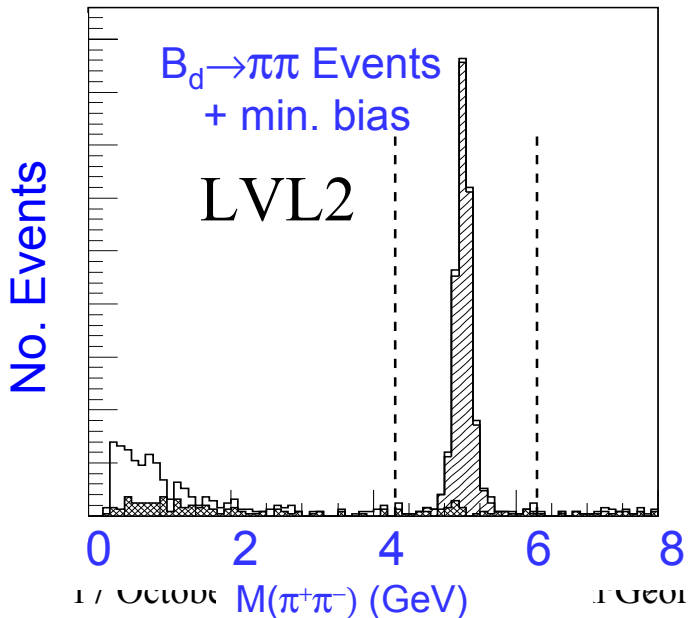
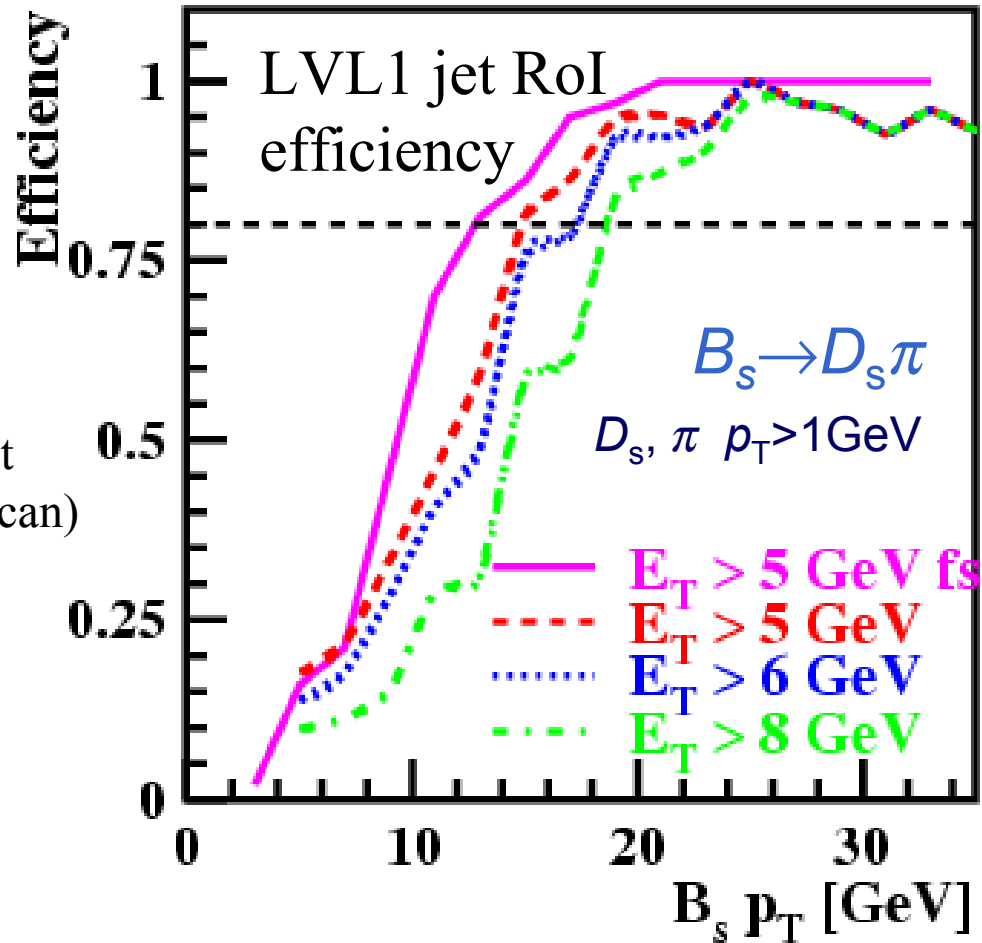
# Di-muon trigger

- LVL1 trigger efficient to low  $p_T$ 
  - down to  $p_T > 5$  GeV in barrel, 3 GeV in endcaps.
  - Actual thresholds determined by rate limitations
- LVL1 rate at  $2 \times 10^{33}$  will be a small fraction of the total LVL1 rate,  $< 1$  kHz for a reasonable threshold around 6 GeV
  - dominated by heavy flavour decays
  - Subject to uncertainties in low  $p_T$  rate
- LVL2 can give e.g.  $\sim 200$  Hz
  - sharpen  $p_T$  threshold
  - Resolve double counting
- EF does near offline-quality track reconstruction, vertex fit and mass cuts
  - to select for example  $J/\psi$  decays
  - $\sim 10$  Hz
- At all levels, cuts can be tuned to optimise rate vs. efficiency
  - Further studies



# Hadronic final states

- Reconstruct tracks in jet RoI or full scan
- LVL1 muon  $p_T > 6$  GeV + jet RoI,  $E_T > 5$  GeV  $\Rightarrow$  average  $\sim 2$  RoIs per event
- Either way, use tracks to do semi-inclusive, partial decay reconstruction
  - $B_d \rightarrow hh$
  - $D_s \rightarrow \phi(KK)\pi$
- Kinematical and topological cuts
- EF makes tighter mass cuts and vertex fit
- Overall HLT efficiency  $\sim 60\%$  ( $D_s$ , full scan) w.r.t. events selected by offline analysis

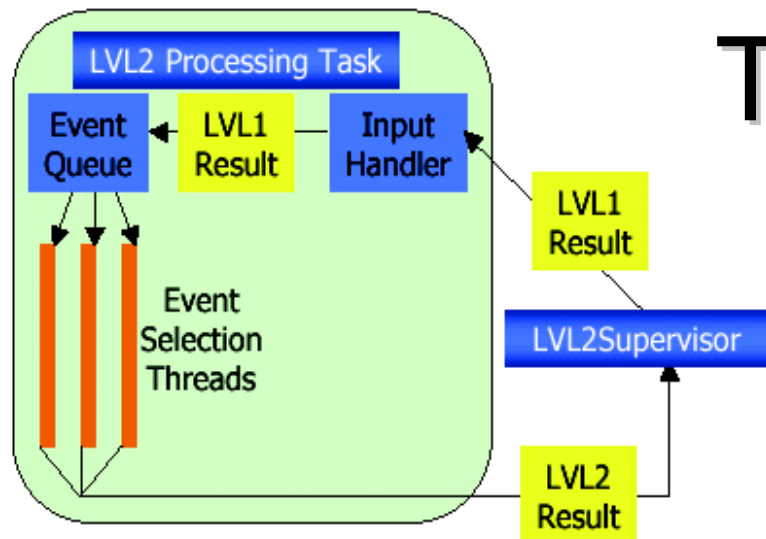


- Studies show this is very robust w.r.t.
  - missing middle pixel layer (initial layout)
  - anticipated levels of misalignment (LVL2)

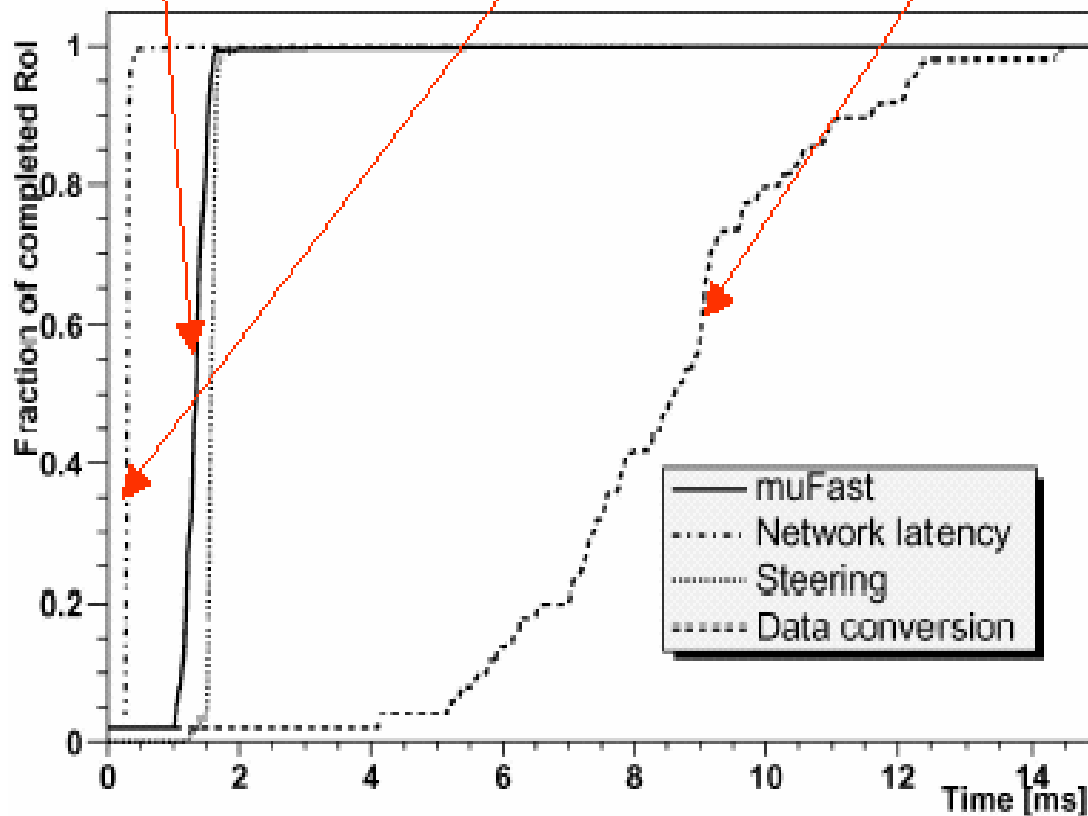
# Muon-electron final states

- To select channels such as
  - $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi(ee)K_S$  with opposite side muon tag, or
  - $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu\mu)K_S$  with opposite side electron tag
- Two options:
  - Use LVL1 EM RoIs to find low- $E_T$  electrons
  - Full reconstruction of tracks in TRT (for electron identification)
- LVL1 EM cluster  $E_T > 2$  GeV gives average of 1 RoI/event
  - about 80% efficiency to find RoI for both daughters of  $J/\psi \rightarrow ee$ , when they both have  $p_T > 3$  GeV.
- LVL2 confirm cluster at full granularity in calorimeter, including pre-sampler, then find matching track in SCT+pix (+TRT).
- Tracks reconstructed again in EF, plus vertex fit quality and decay length cuts.
- Conclusion
  - Using RoI guidance is much faster (typical size  $0.2 \times 0.2$ ) than reconstructing the full volume of the inner detector
  - but the LVL1 lowest possible threshold is not efficient until a higher  $p_T$  than the full scan permits.

# Test bed results: LVL2 muon trigger



- Dual 2.2 GHz Xeon
- Confirmation of LVL1 muon trigger
- “Offline” framework and services re-used
- Prep time dominates
  - saves algo time
- Conservative result
  - high luminosity conditions, x2 cavern bg
- Already adequate
  - Continue to optimise



# Resource estimates

- Estimates take into account
  - Reduced rates of later steps in sequential processing scheme
  - All aspects of processing time to the best knowledge we currently have
  - Extrapolated to 8 GHz CPUs
- Overall target
  - LVL2 target of 10 ms x 25 kHz LVL1 rate gives 250 CPUs
  - Scales to 750 CPUs for full system at 75 kHz LVL1 rate
  - From latest studies of high  $p_T$  physics it looks like this is achievable.
- For lower luminosity fills, or as lumi drops during a fill
  - Spare capacity due to lower LVL1 rate
  - Allows general lowering of thresholds and pre-scale factors
  - Some room for additional B-physics based on muon & calo RoI
- Conclusion
  - Following detailed studies, current understanding is that the resources needed for the RoI-guided B-physics trigger can be found within the planned resources.
    - Based on di-muon trigger at higher luminosity ( $2 \times 10^{33}$ )
    - Introducing other triggers at lower luminosity ( $\sim 1 \times 10^{33}$ )



# Conclusions

- The latest picture of ATLAS & LHC at start up does not look so favourable for B-physics, but ATLAS has responded with a variety of flexible trigger schemes to make the most of it.
- RoI-based strategy allows a full programme at modest resource cost, with slightly reduced trigger efficiency
- Take advantage of beam-coast and lower-lumi fills to trigger on B-physics at lower luminosities
- Algorithms are robust enough for initial detector and conditions
- For muon spectrometer and calorimetry, now have simulation of realistic raw data and full chain of algorithms to retrieve, unpack and process it.
- Further studies of RoI strategy will be done and more of the software will be tested and optimised through test bed deployment
- Now looking towards commissioning and first collisions in 2007 when we hope to record B-physics data from ATLAS.