Measurement of the W boson mass: Tevatron experience

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Outline/"philosophy" of this talk

Will not show a complete description of the W mass measurements at CDF and D0.
Such talks (and papers) can can be found elsewhere.

Instead I will proceed like this:

- Motivation for precise measurements of W boson mass.
- Summary of recent Tevatron measurements of W boson mass,
  discussion of uncertainties.
- Projections: where we are headed with 10 fb^{-1} (final Tevatron dataset)
- Try to give some "behind the scenes" details to illustrate how its precision is achieved.
  - Model of W production and decay,
  - ... and auxiliary measurements that we use to constrain it.
  - Precise calibrations of the lepton energy scale.
    (using detailed first-principles simulations of the detector)
  - General comments of the use of MC in these measurements.

I happen to be a D0 person. This is why I use D0 material as example.
There are talks from CDF that are similar in spirit to this one (do have references at the end).

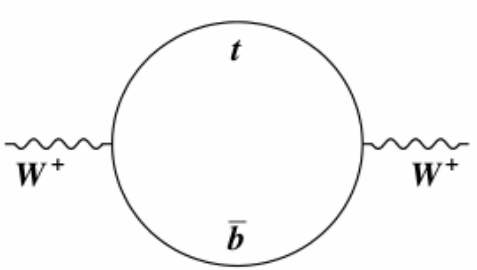
I am fully aware that I have brought too much material. Will attempt to give an overview.
We can always discuss more details over a cup of coffee.

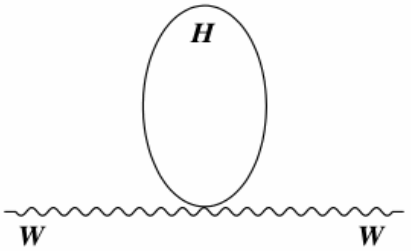
W mass: motivation

W mass is a key parameter in the Standard Model. This model does not predict the value of the W mass, but it predicts this relation between the W mass and other experimental observables:

$$M_W = \sqrt{\frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_F}} \frac{1}{\sin\theta_W \sqrt{1-\Delta r}}$$

Radiative corrections (Δ r) depend on M_t as ~M_t^2 and on M_H as ~log M_H. They include diagrams like these:



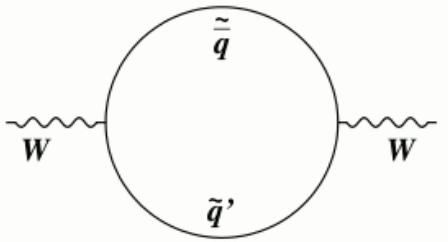


Precise measurements of M_W and M_t constrain SM Higgs mass.

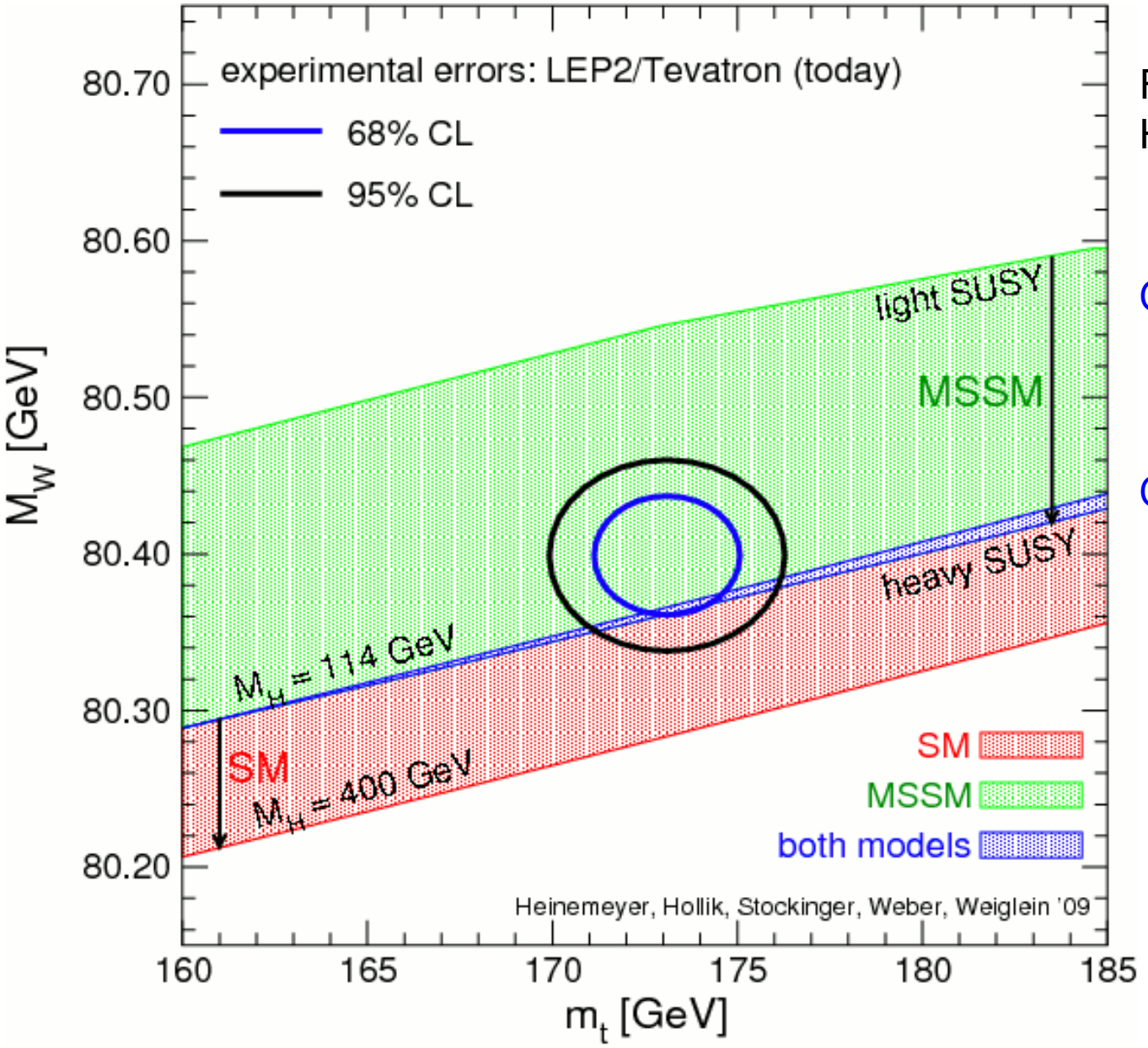
For equal contribution to the Higgs mass uncertainty need: $\Delta M_W \approx 0.006 \Delta M_t$.

The limiting factor here will be ΔM_W, not ΔM_t !

Additional contributions to Δr arise in various extensions to the Standard Model, *e.g.* in SUSY:



W mass: motivation



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Current Tevatron average:

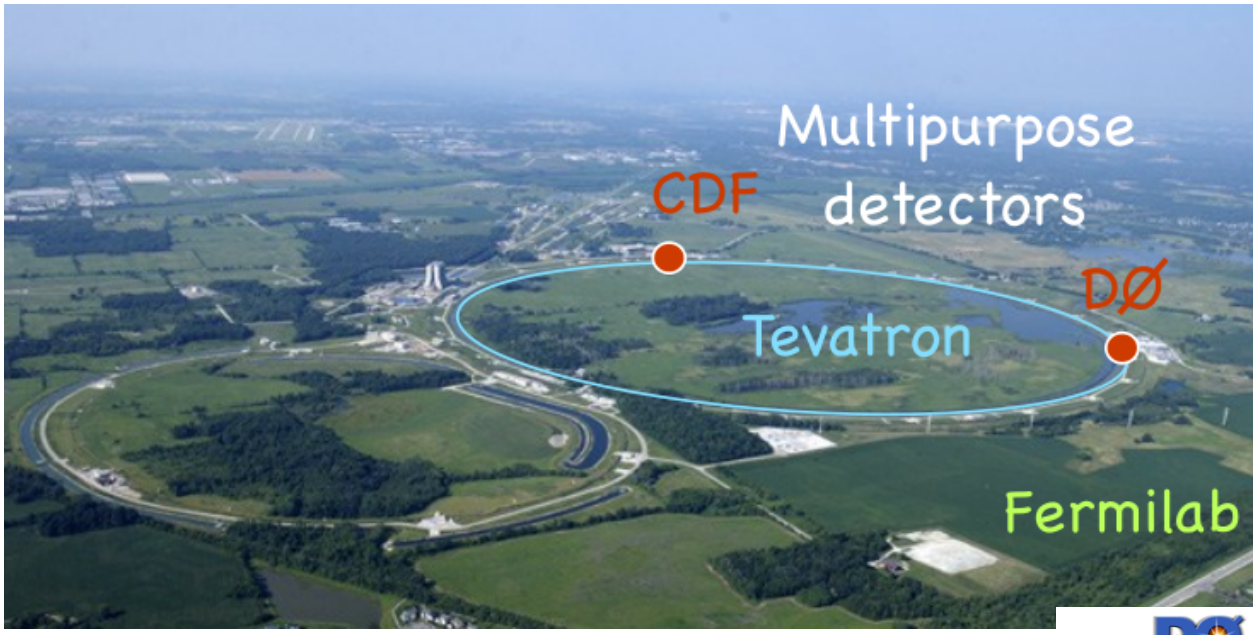
$$\Delta M_t = 1.1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{would need:} \quad \Delta M_W = 7 \text{ MeV}$$

Currently have: $\Delta M_W = 23$ MeV

At this point, i.e. after all the precise top mass measurements from the Tevatron, the limiting factor here is ΔM_W, not ΔM_t .

The Tevatron



Proton-antiproton collisions with centre-of-mass = 1.96 TeV

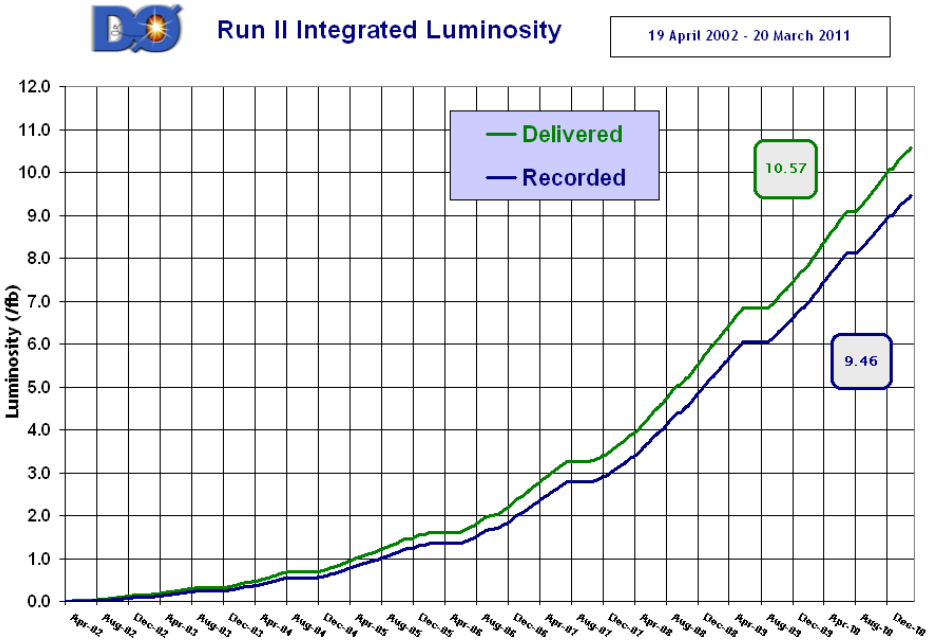
36 p and pbar bunches
396 ns between bunch crossing

Since a few years the Tevatron performance is truly excellent.

Peak initial instantaneous luminosity:
$400 * 10^{30}$ cm^{-2} s^{-1}

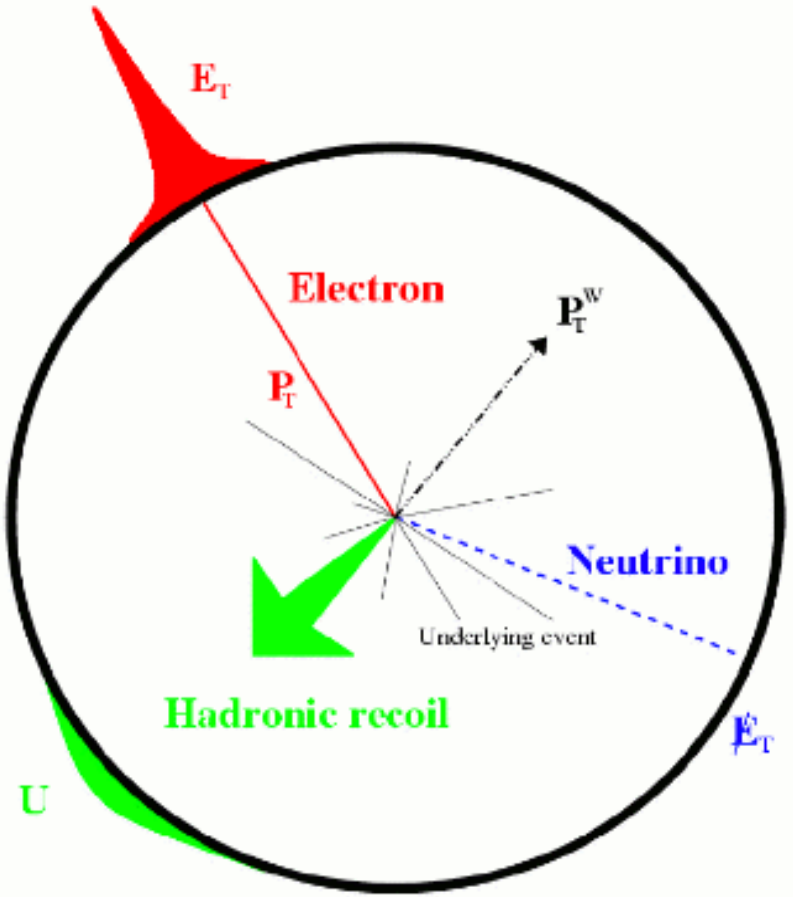
Still the world's most powerful "boson factory".

Both experiments are collecting data efficiently.

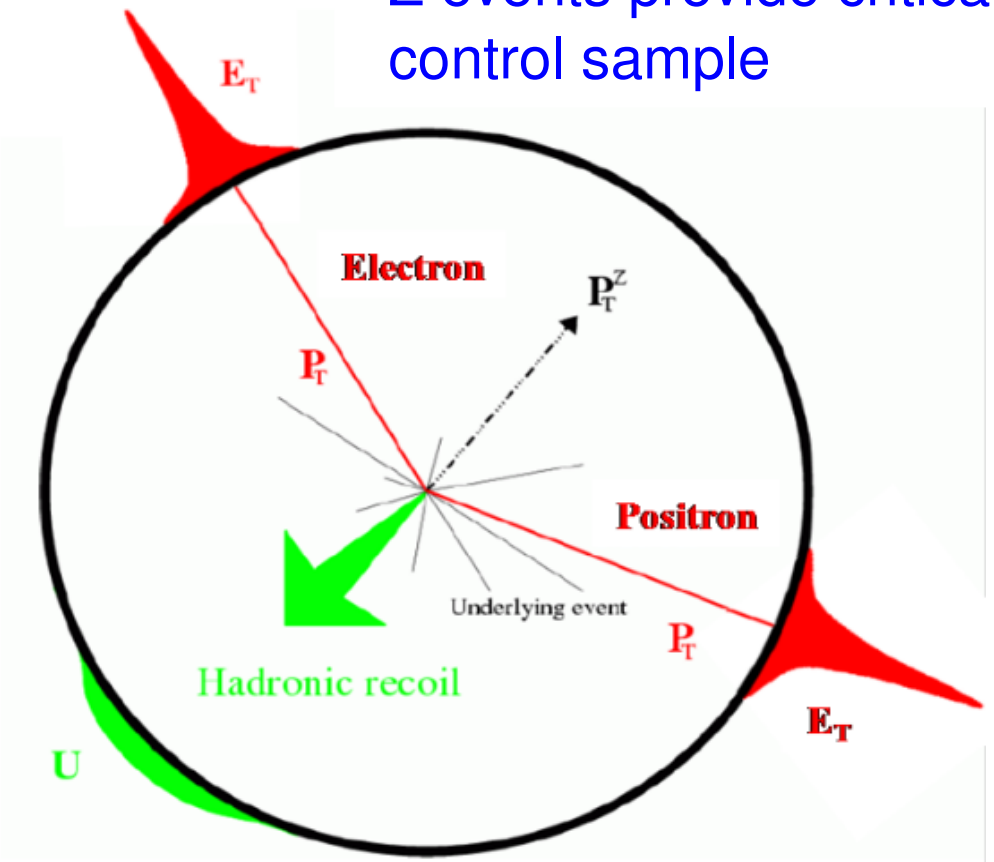


Signature in the detector

Isolated, high p_T leptons,
missing transverse momentum in W's

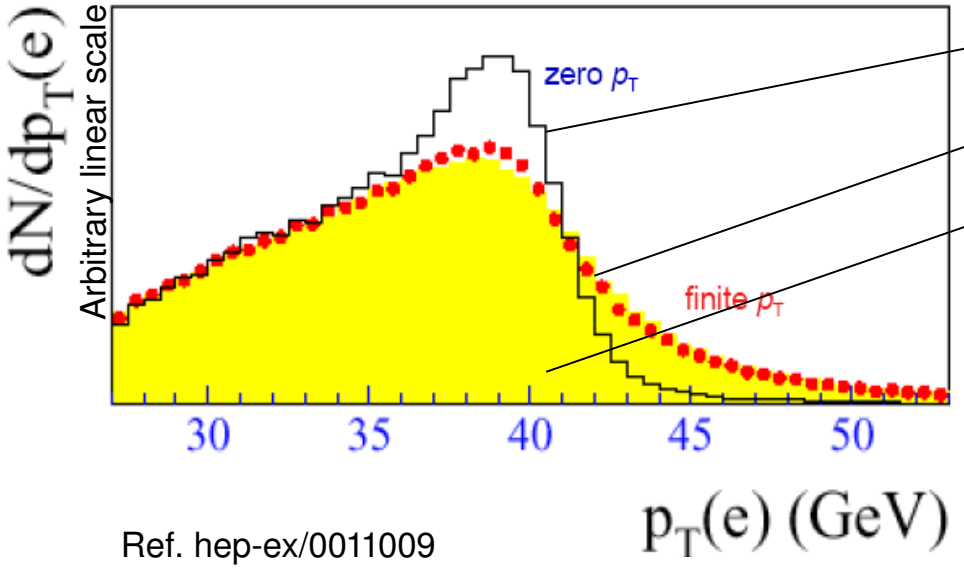


Z events provide critical control sample



In a nutshell, measure two objects in the detector:
- Lepton (in principle e or μ; e in our analysis), need energy measurement with 0.2 per-mil precision (!!)
- Hadronic recoil, need ~ 1% precision

Experimental observables



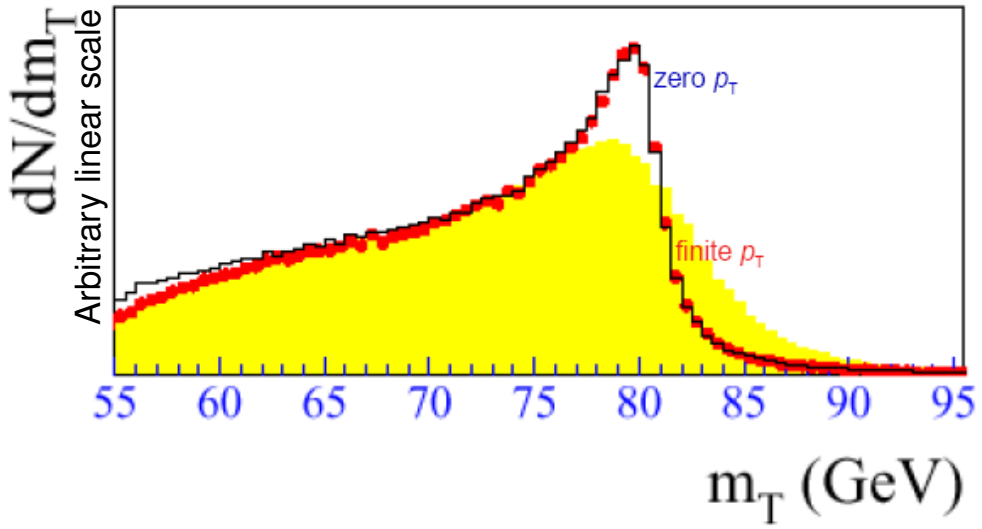
No $P_T(W)$

$P_T(W)$ included

Detector Effects added

$p_T(e)$ most affected by $p_T(W)$

Ref. hep-ex/0011009



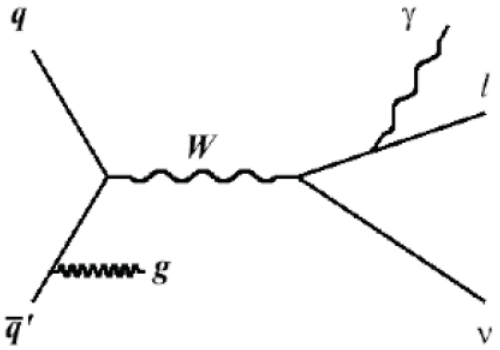
$$M_T = \sqrt{2E_T^l \not{E}_T (1 - \cos\Delta\phi)}$$

M_T most affected by measurement of missing transverse momentum

Measurement strategy

W mass is extracted from transverse mass, transverse momentum and transverse missing momentum:

Need Monte Carlo simulation to predict shapes of these observables for given mass hypothesis



NLO event generator : DØ uses **ResBos** [Balazs, Yuan; Phys ReV D56, 5558] + **Photos** {Barbiero, Was; Comp Phys Com 79, 291] for W/Z production and decay

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Parameterised detector model

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W mass templates

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backgrounds

Validated in "MC closure test"

Detector calibration
- calorimeter energy scale
- recoil

data →

binned likelihood fit

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W mass

First DØ Run II measurement of the W boson mass

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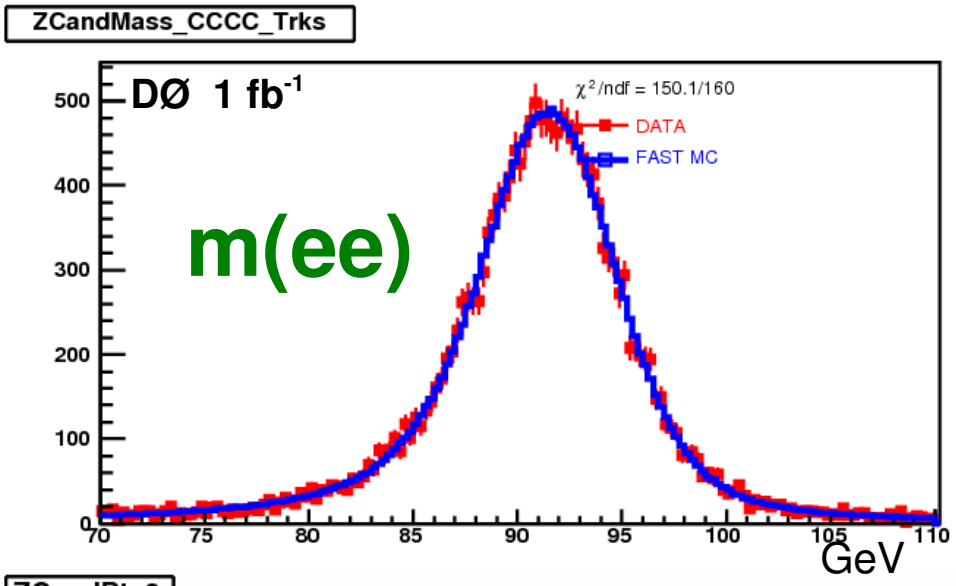
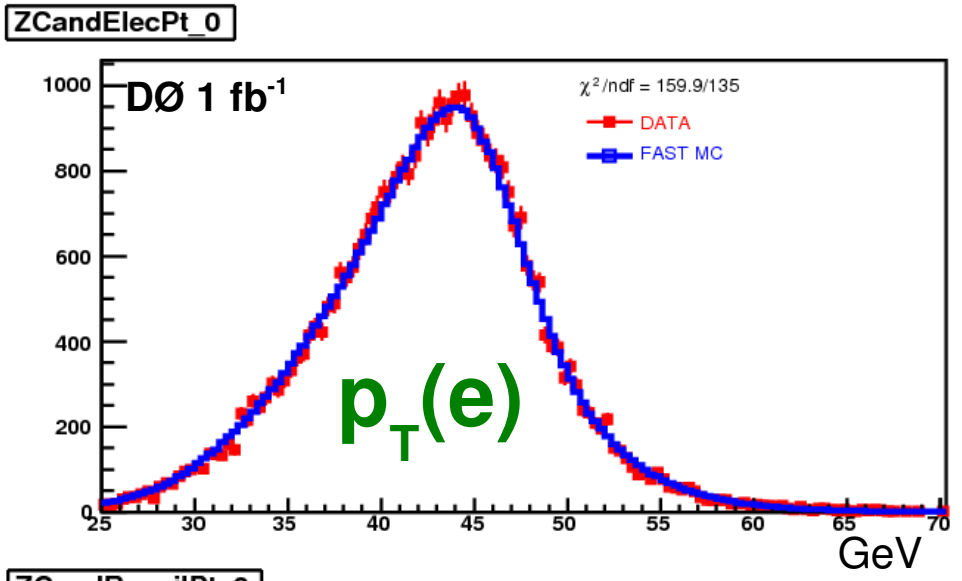
1 fb^{-1} of data
using central electrons ($|\eta|<1.05$)

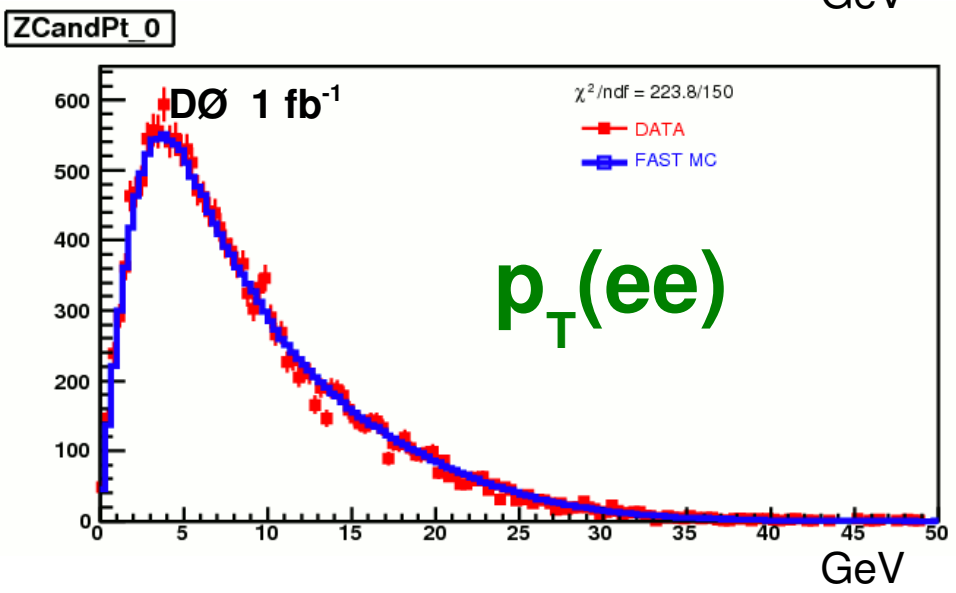
~ 500k W events
~ 19k Z events

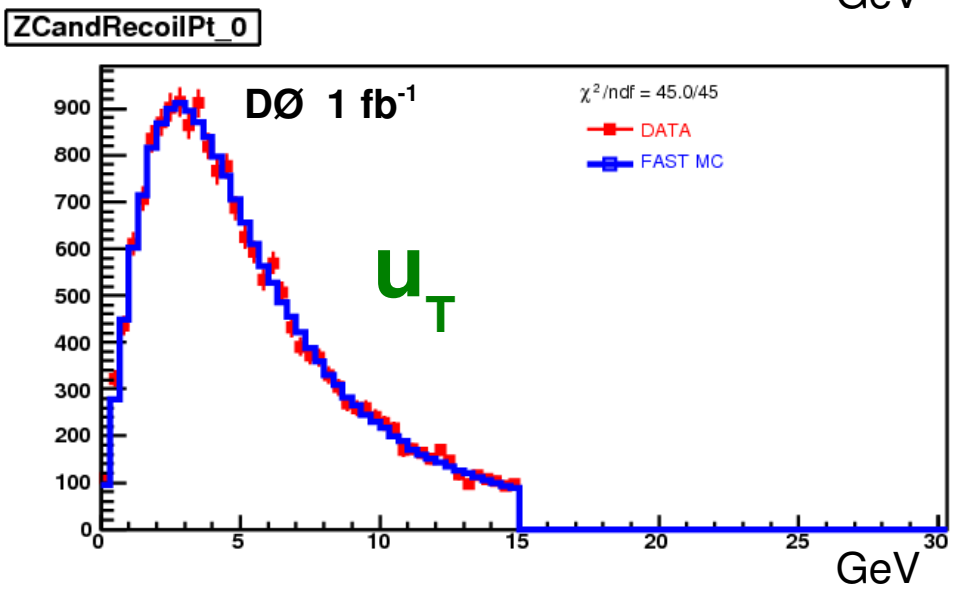
"blind" analysis : central value hidden but not the uncertainties
Standard blinding technique "à la BaBar"
Unblinding has been done only after collaboration approval

Results: Z → e e data



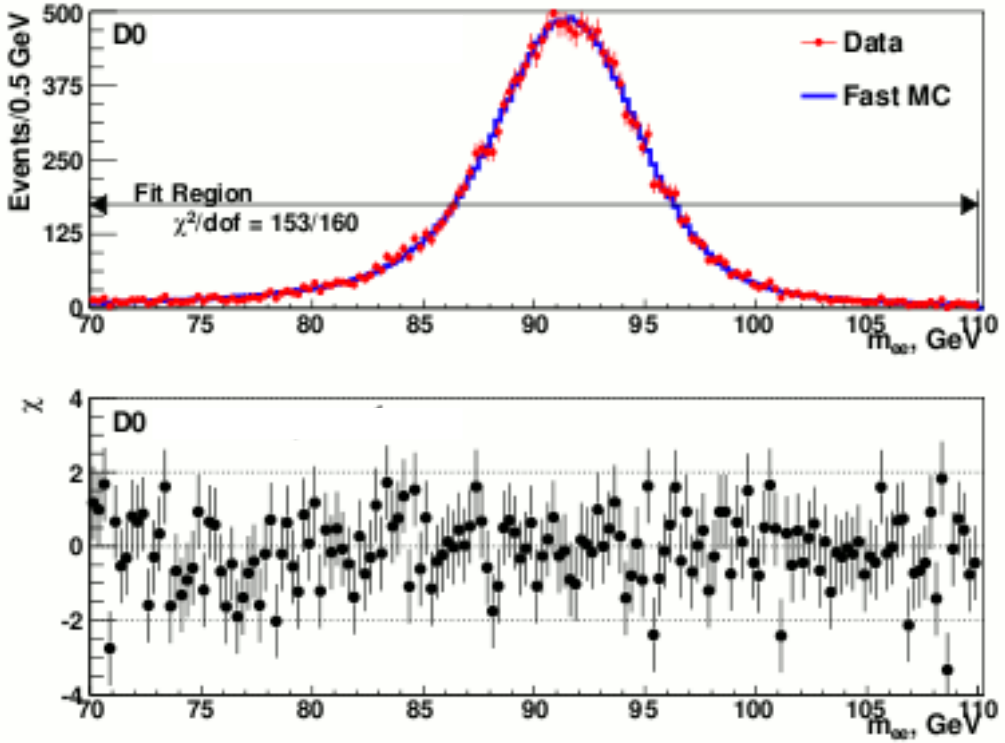


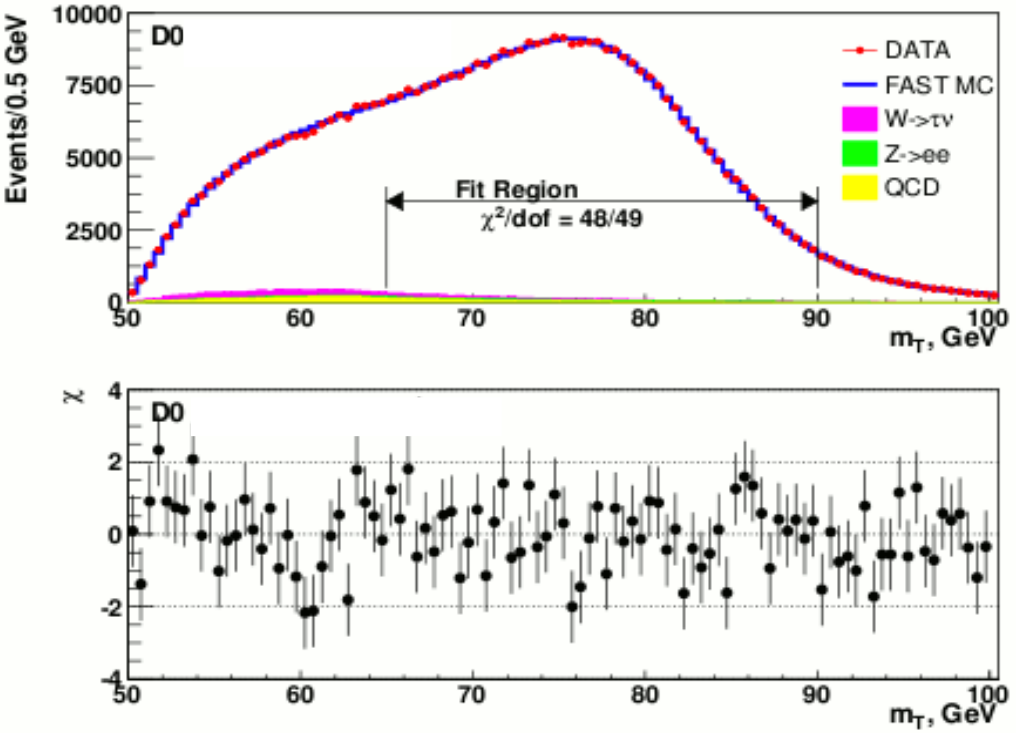




✓ **Good agreement between parameterised MC and collider data.**

Mass fits





m(Z) = 91.185 ± 0.033 GeV (stat)

(remember that Z mass value from LEP was an input to electron energy scale calibration, PDG: m(Z) = 91.1876 ± 0.0021 GeV)

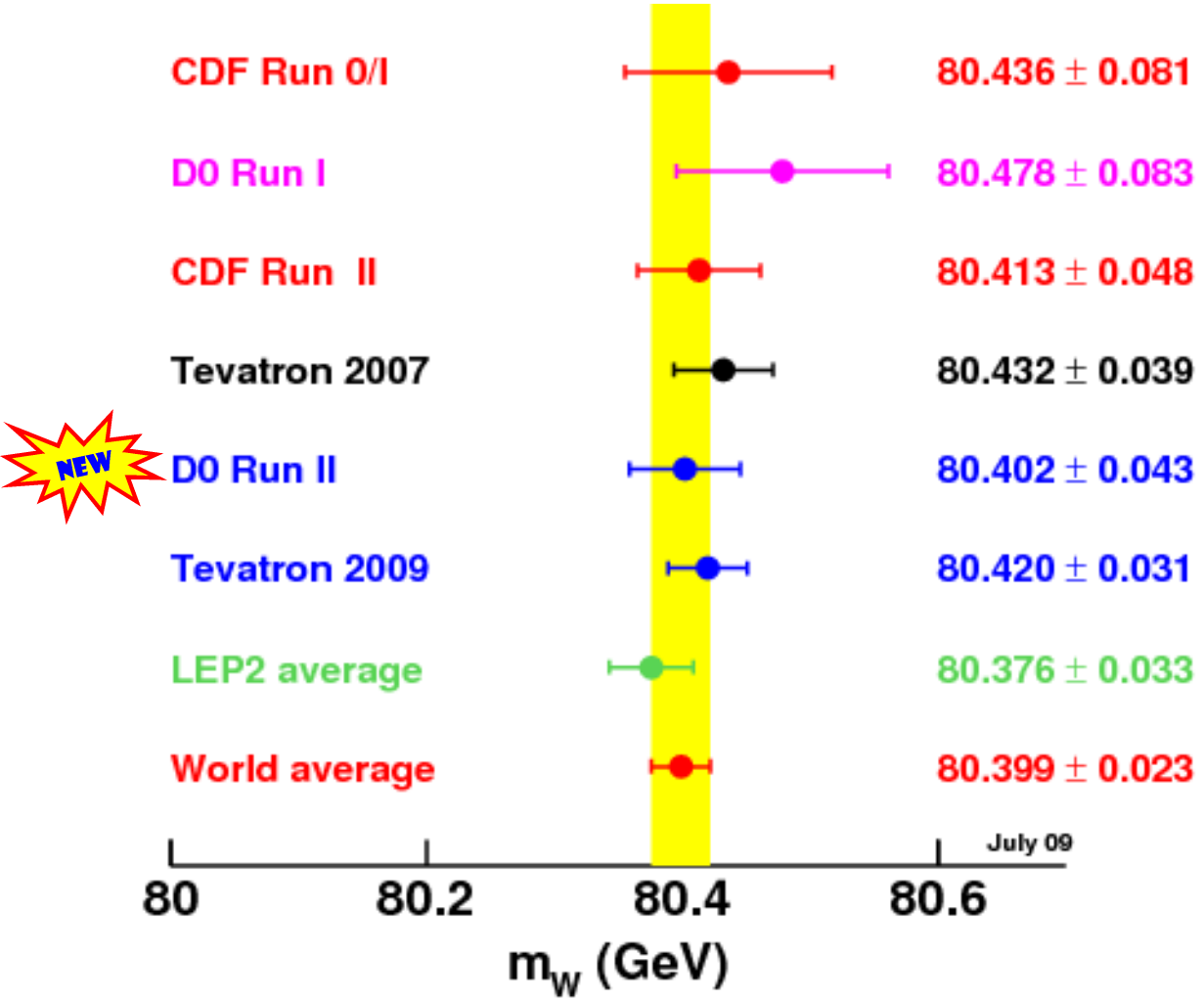
m(W) = 80.401 ± 0.023 GeV (stat)

Summary of uncertainties

systematic uncertainties

Source	$\sigma(m_W)$ MeV m_T	$\sigma(m_W)$ MeV p_T^e	$\sigma(m_W)$ MeV $\not\!\!E_T$
Experimental			
Electron Energy Scale	34	34	34
Electron Energy Resolution Model	2	2	3
Electron Energy Nonlinearity	4	6	7
W and Z Electron energy loss differences (material)	4	4	4
Recoil Model	6	12	20
Electron Efficiencies	5	6	5
Backgrounds	2	5	4
Experimental Total	35	37	41
W production and decay model			
PDF	9	11	14
QED	7	7	9
Boson p_T	2	5	2
W model Total	12	14	17
Total	37	40	44
statistical	23	27	23
total	44	48	50

Comparison to previous results



The new result from DØ is the single most precise measurement of the W boson mass to date.

The new result is in good agreement with previous measurements.

W mass: projections

With 1 fb^{-1} uncertainties are mainly statistical (including 'systematics' from limited data control samples). Let's extrapolate:

source of uncertainties	1 fb-1	6 fb-1	10 fb-1	
Statistics	23	10	8	
Systematics				
Electron energy scale	34	14	11	
Electron resolution	2	2	2	
Electron energy offset	4	3	2	
Electron energy loss	4	3	2	
Recoil model	6	3	2	
Electron efficiencies	5	3	3	
Backgrounds	2	2	2	
Total Exp. systematics	35	16	13	
Theory				
PDF	9	6	4	
QED (ISR-FSR)	7	4	3	
Boson Pt	2	2	2	
Total Theory	12	8	5	
Total syst+theory	37	18	14	
(if theory unchanged)		20	17	
Grand total	44	21	16	(20)

At end of Run II, expect total uncertainty on W mass of 16 MeV from DØ alone.

Expect similar performance from CDF, and combined error of 12 MeV.

This legacy measurement will be in the textbooks for decades to come.

Could be an important contribution to getting the standard model into trouble in the near future:

with δm_W = 15 MeV, δm_t = 1 GeV

and m_W = 80.400 GeV :

$$m_H = 71^{+24}_{-19}\ \text{GeV} \quad < 117\ \text{GeV}\ @\ 95\%\ \text{cl}$$

(P. Renton, ICHEP 2008)

Model of W production and decay

Tool	Process	QCD	EW
RESBOS	W,Z	NLO	-
WGRAD	W	LO	complete $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$, Matrix Element, ≤ 1 photon
ZGRAD	Z	LO	complete $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$, Matrix Element, ≤ 1 photon
PHOTOS			QED FSR, ≤ 2 photons

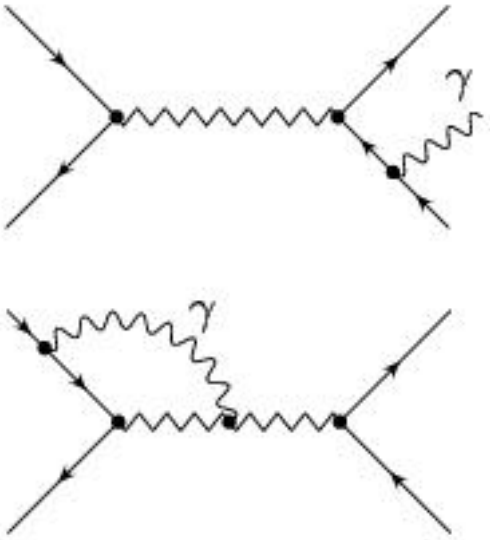
Our main generator is "**ResBos+Photos**". The NLO QCD in **ResBos** allows us to get a reasonable description of the p_T of the vector bosons. The two leading EWK effects are the first FSR photon and the second FSR photon. **Photos** gives us a reasonable model for both.

We use **W/ZGRAD** to get a feeling for the effect of the full EWK corrections.

The final "QED" uncertainty we quote is 7/7/9 MeV (m_T,p_T,MET).

This is the sum of different effects; the two main ones are:

- Effect of full EWK corrections, from comparison of W/ZGRAD in "FSR only" and in "full EWK" modes (5/5/5 MeV).
- Very simple estimate of "quality of FSR model", from comparison of W/ZGRAD in FSR-only mode vs **Photos** (5/5/5 MeV).



Model of W production and decay

At DØ we really measure the ratio of the masses of the W and the Z.

So our comparisons of two generators (or two setups of one generator) typically look like the one below.

Here we study the effect of a variation of the δs cut in W/ZGRAD. The cut is shown in the first two columns of the table. The fitted m_W moves around (columns 3-5), but so does the fitted Z mass (column 6), and the mass ratios (columns 7-9) turn out to be stable within toy MC statistics in this case.

δs	$E_\gamma cut$ (MeV)	ΔM_W (M_T) (MeV)	ΔM_W (P_T) (MeV)	ΔM_W (MET) (MeV)	ΔM_Z (Z Mass) (MeV)	$\Delta(\frac{M_W}{M_Z})$ (M_T) $(\times 10^{-5})$	$\Delta(\frac{M_W}{M_Z})$ $(p_T(e))$ $(\times 10^{-5})$	$\Delta(\frac{M_W}{M_Z})$ (MET) $(\times 10^{-5})$
0.00025	10	-25 ± 3	-23 ± 4	-22 ± 4	-34 ± 2	5.5	7.7	8.8
0.0005	20	-29	-29	-27	-30	-2.8	-2.8	-0.6
0.0006	24	-24	-27	-24	-32	4.6	1.3	4.6
0.0007	28	-24	-29	-19	-32	4.6	-0.85	10.0
0.0008	32	-21	-23	-20	-33	8.9	6.7	10.0
0.001	40	-20	-20	-20	-27	4.2	4.2	4.2
0.003	120	-17	-22	-14	-21	1.7	-3.8	5.0
0.005	200	-10	-13	-12	-15	3.5	0.25	1.3
0.01	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.015	600	5	8	6	11	-5.2	-1.9	-4.1
0.02	800	18	20	15	26	-5.4	-3.2	-8.7

Table 4: Mass shift of W and Z due to δs variation.

Experimental constraints on boson production model

Natural question:

How can we (Tevatron) help
- check the agreement of the (QCD part of) the model of W boson production,
- help constrain/improve the (QCD part of) this model ?

One thing that is critical to get right is the $p_T(W)$ distribution. In the data, $p_T(W)$ and W rapidity are measured poorly.

But: we do have a much better measurement of $p_T(Z)$ and Z rapidity.

=> Confront vector boson production model to Z data.

Shown on the right is an example of $p_T(Z)$ in DØ data, integrated over a large range in Z rapidity, and unfolded.

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Measurement of the Shape of the Boson-Transverse Momentum Distribution in $p\bar{p} \to Z/\gamma^* \to e^+e^- + X$ Events Produced at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV

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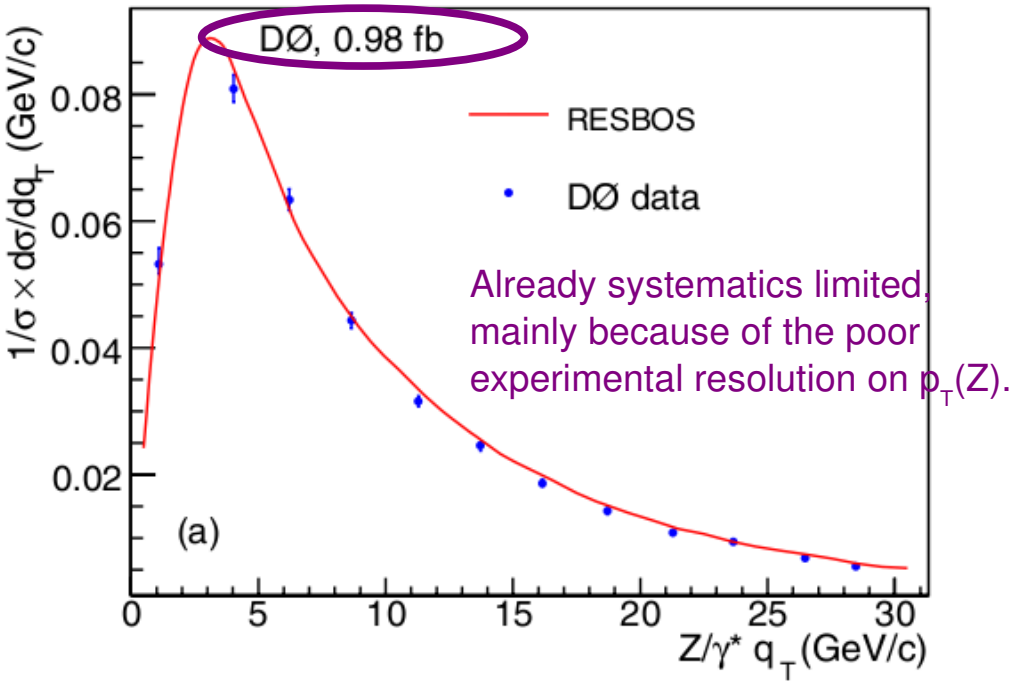

New experimental constraints on "$p_T(Z)$"

NEW

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Fermilab-Pub-10-403-E

Precise study of the Z/γ^* boson transverse momentum distribution in $p\bar{p}$ collisions using a novel technique

(Dated: October 1, 2010)

Using 7.3 fb^{-1} of $p\bar{p}$ collisions collected by the D0 detector at the Fermilab Tevatron, we measure the distribution of the variable ϕ^*_η, which probes the same physical effects as the Z/γ^* boson transverse momentum, but is less susceptible to the effects of experimental resolution and efficiency. A QCD prediction is found to describe the general features of the ϕ^*_η distribution, but is unable to describe its detailed shape or dependence on boson rapidity. A prediction that includes a broadening of transverse momentum for small values of the parton momentum fraction is strongly disfavored.

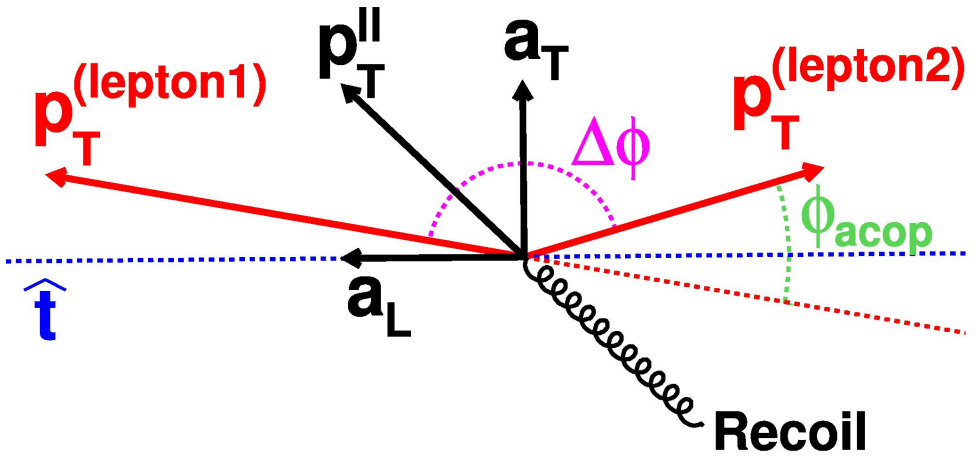
The next-generation DØ measurement (7.3 fb^{-1}) has just been completed.
It avoids the resolution issues with $p_T(Z)$ by using an alternative observable that is sensitive to the same physics, but much less sensitive to lepton p_T resolution:

$$\phi^*_\eta = \tan\left(\phi_{\rm acop}/2\right)\sin(\theta^*_\eta)$$

$\phi_{\rm acop}$ and θ_η^* only depend on lepton *directions*

=> ϕ_η^* is measured much more precisely than any quantity that depends on lepton momenta.

Note: $\phi_\eta^* \approx a_T / m(ll)$



Detailed discussion of observables alternative to $p_T(Z)$:

M. Vesterinen and T.R. Wyatt, Nucl. Instrum. Methods Phys. Res. A 602, 432 (2009).

A. Banfi et al., arXiv:1009.1580, submitted to Eur. Phys. J. C (2010).

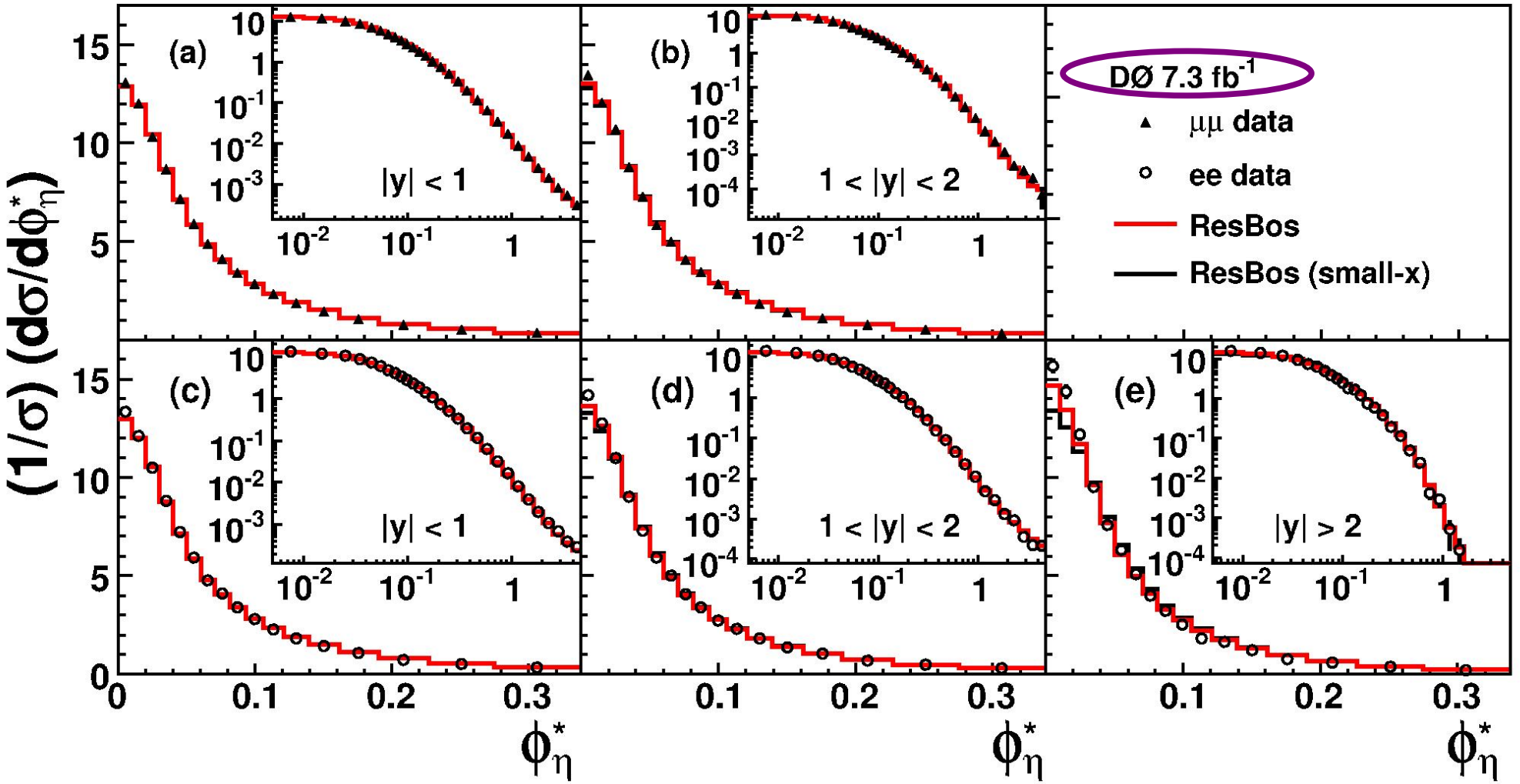
Comment from JS:
One tricky experimental aspect that all of these observables remain sensitive to is any phi structure in the lepton acceptance of the detector (*e.g.* phi cracks).

New experimental constraints on "$p_T(Z)$"

NEW

Unfolded data (ee and $\mu\mu$ channels shown separately) in three bins of Z rapidity:

(455k Z → ee/ 511k Z →$\mu\mu$ decays)



New experimental constraints on "$p_T(Z)$"

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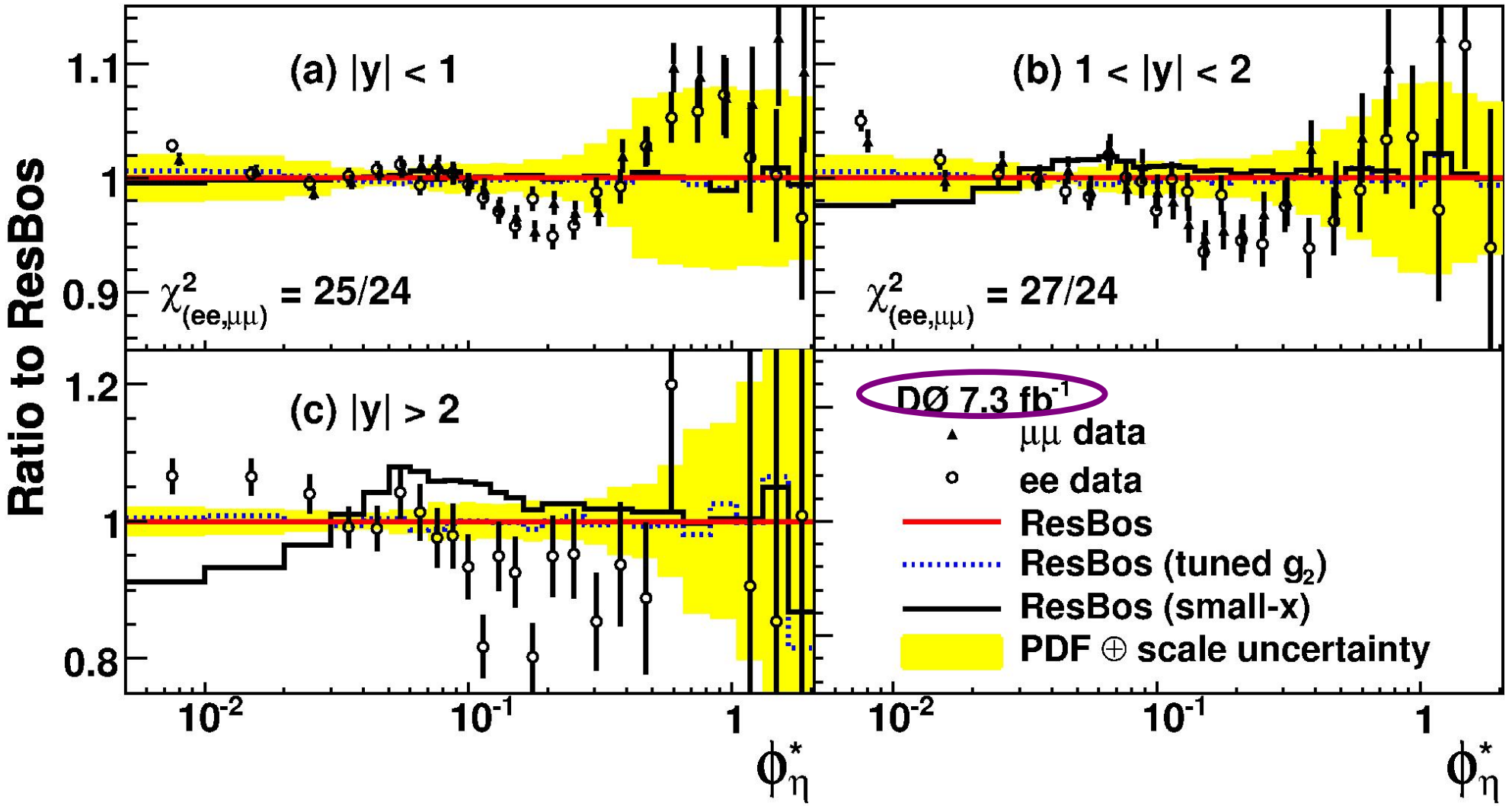
Comparison of the unfolded data to (three flavours of) ResBos:



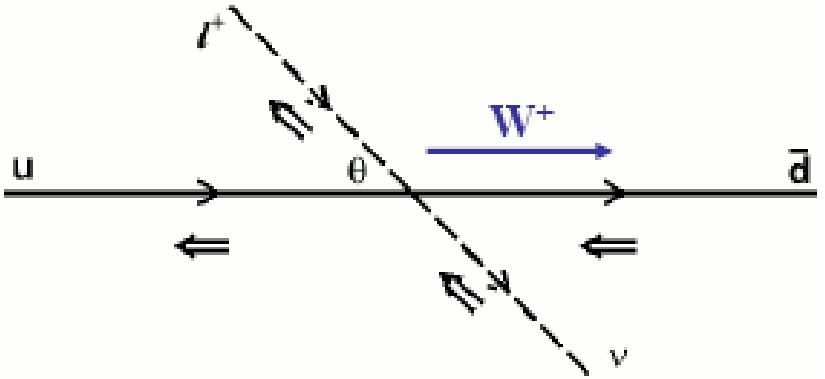
W charge asymmetry

$W^{\pm}$ rapidity measurement constrains PDF of u and d quarks.

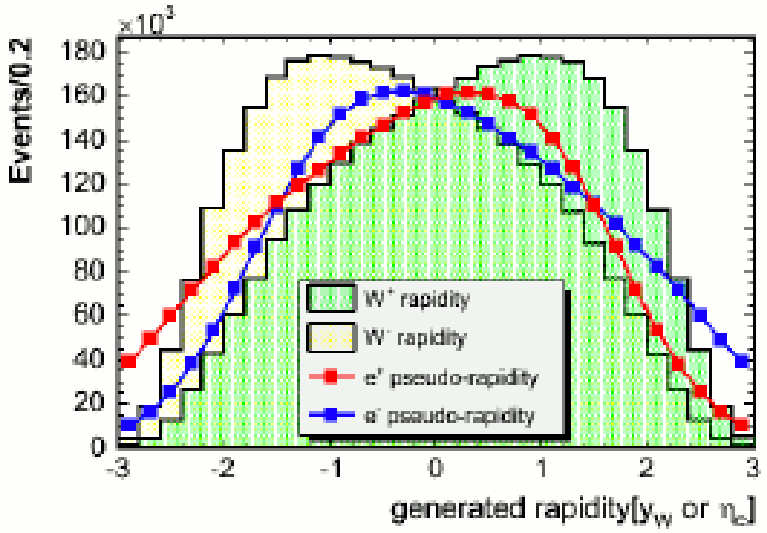
$$x_{1,2} = \frac{M_W}{\sqrt{s}} e^{\pm y}$$

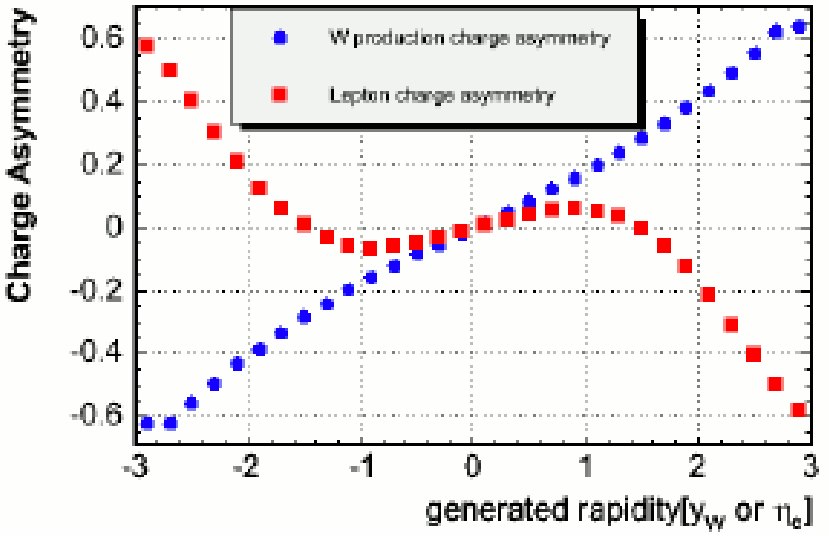
Different u, d momentum:
$W^{\pm}$ produced asymmetrically.

→ charge asymmetry of l, ν from W decay



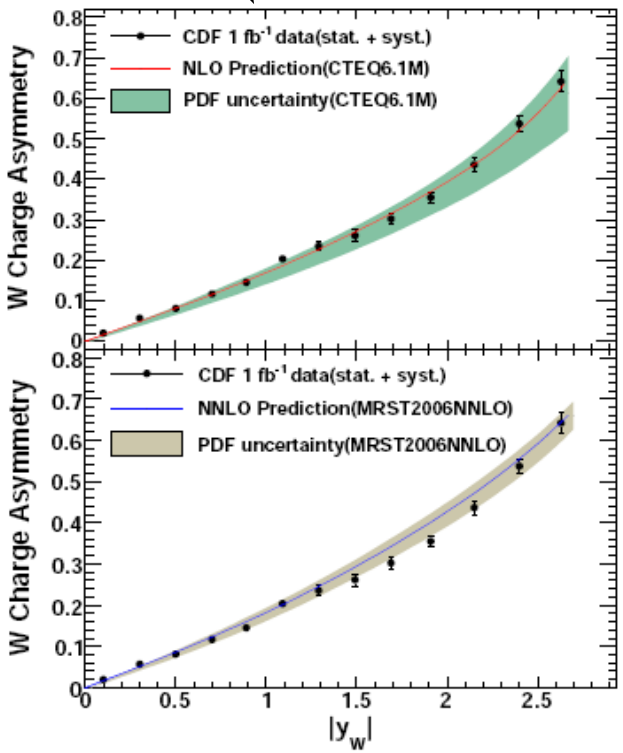
But V-A interaction: **reduces** the observable **asymmetry** in the lepton rapidity distributions.

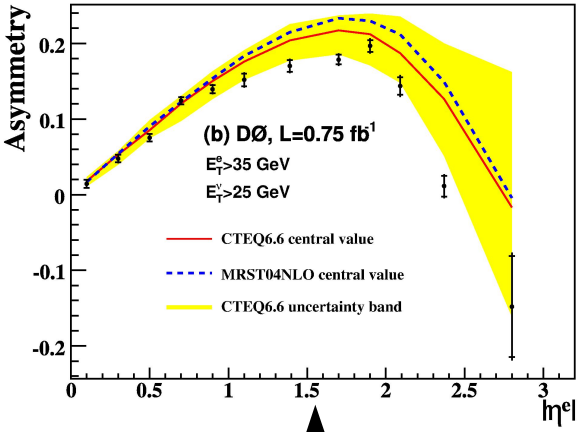


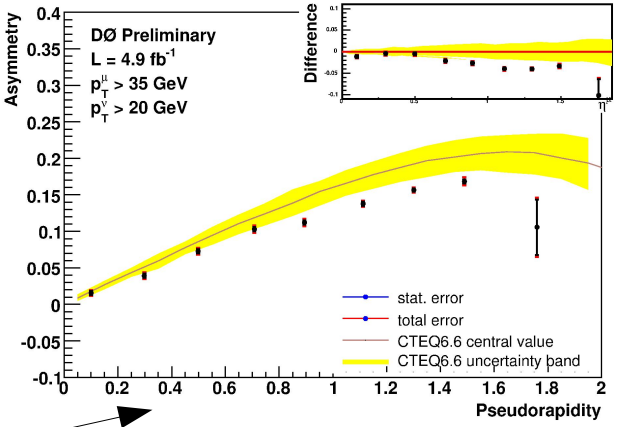


Ongoing work: inclusion in PDF sets

CTEQ6.1 and CTEQ6.6 are in excellent agreement with the CDF measurement of the **W boson** charge asymmetry ...

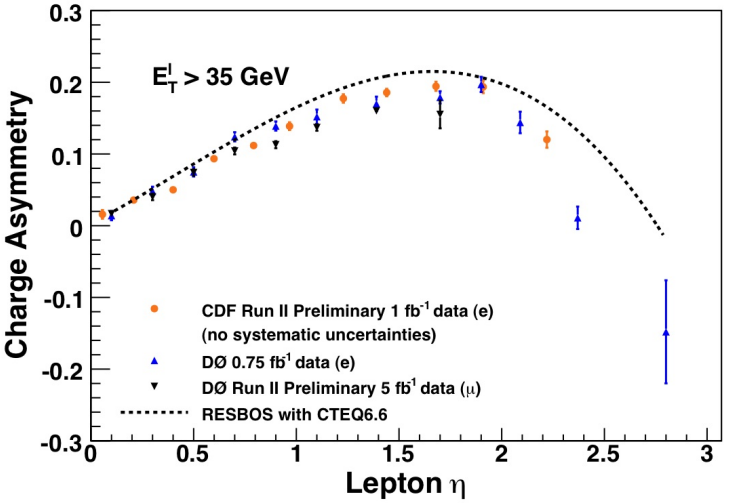






... they do not agree with the D0 **lepton** charge asymmetries (neither with the electrons nor with the muons) ...

... but when you plot the CDF data in terms of **lepton** charge asymmetry then they do not really disagree with the D0 data !



An interesting talk

CT10 PDFs and the puzzle of W lepton asymmetry

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Resolution of the puzzle

$A_\ell(y_\ell)$ is a sensitive probe of the slope s_{du} of $d(x, M_W)/u(x, M_W)$

At LO:

$$A_\ell(y_\ell) \sim A_\ell(y_W) \propto \frac{1}{x_1 - x_2}\left[\frac{d(x_1, M_W)}{u(x_1, M_W)} - \frac{d(x_2, M_W)}{u(x_2, M_W)}\right] = s_{du}$$

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{s}} e^{\pm y_W}$$

Small changes in s_{du} cause significant variations in A_ℓ

Berger, Halzen, Kim, Willenbrock, PRD 40, 83 (1989); Martin, Stirling, Roberts, MPLA 4, 1135 (1989); Phys. Rev. D50, 6734 (1994); Lai et al., PRD 51, 4763 (1995)

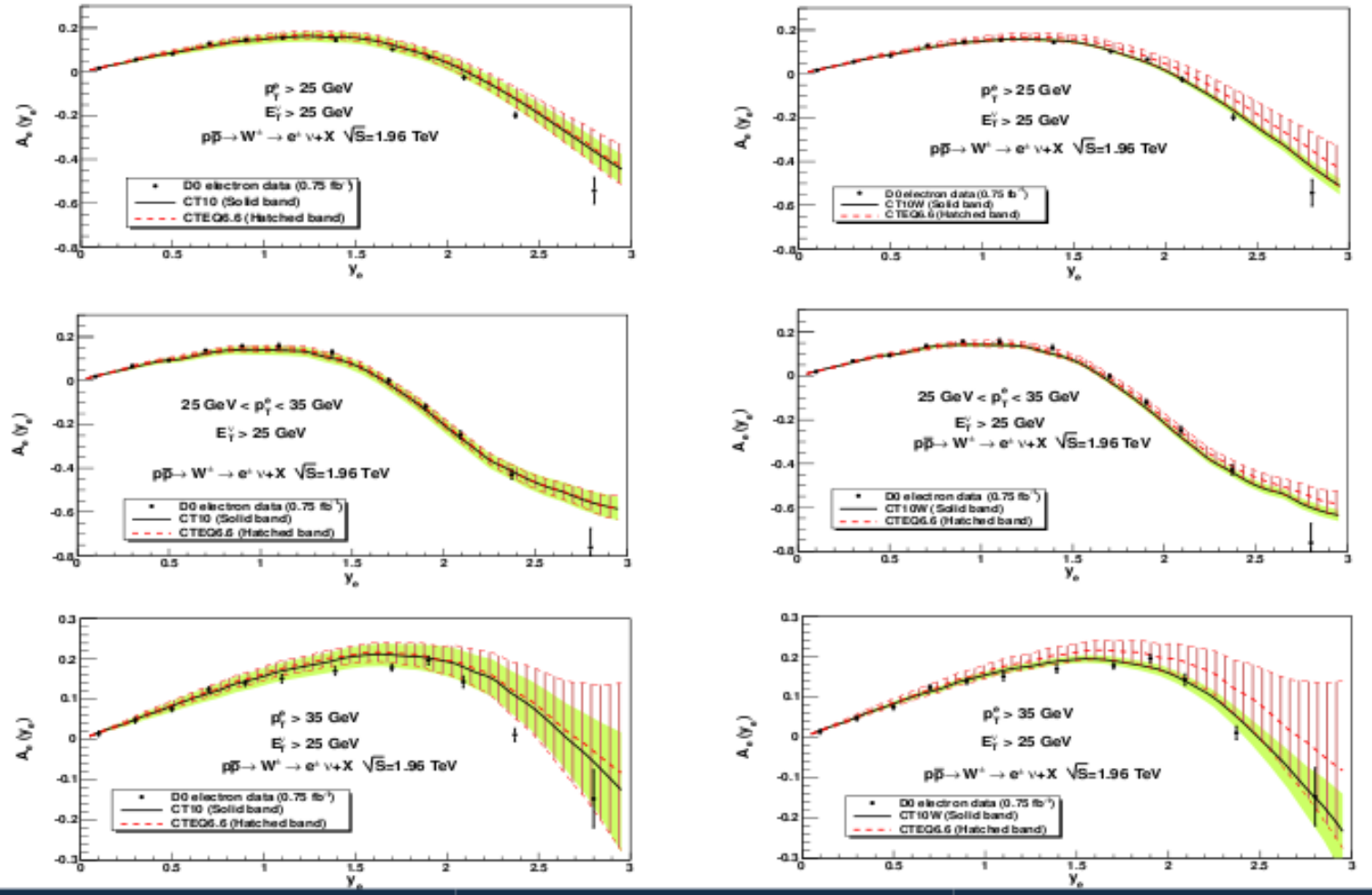
W charge asymmetry

Comparison of CT10 and CT10W fits

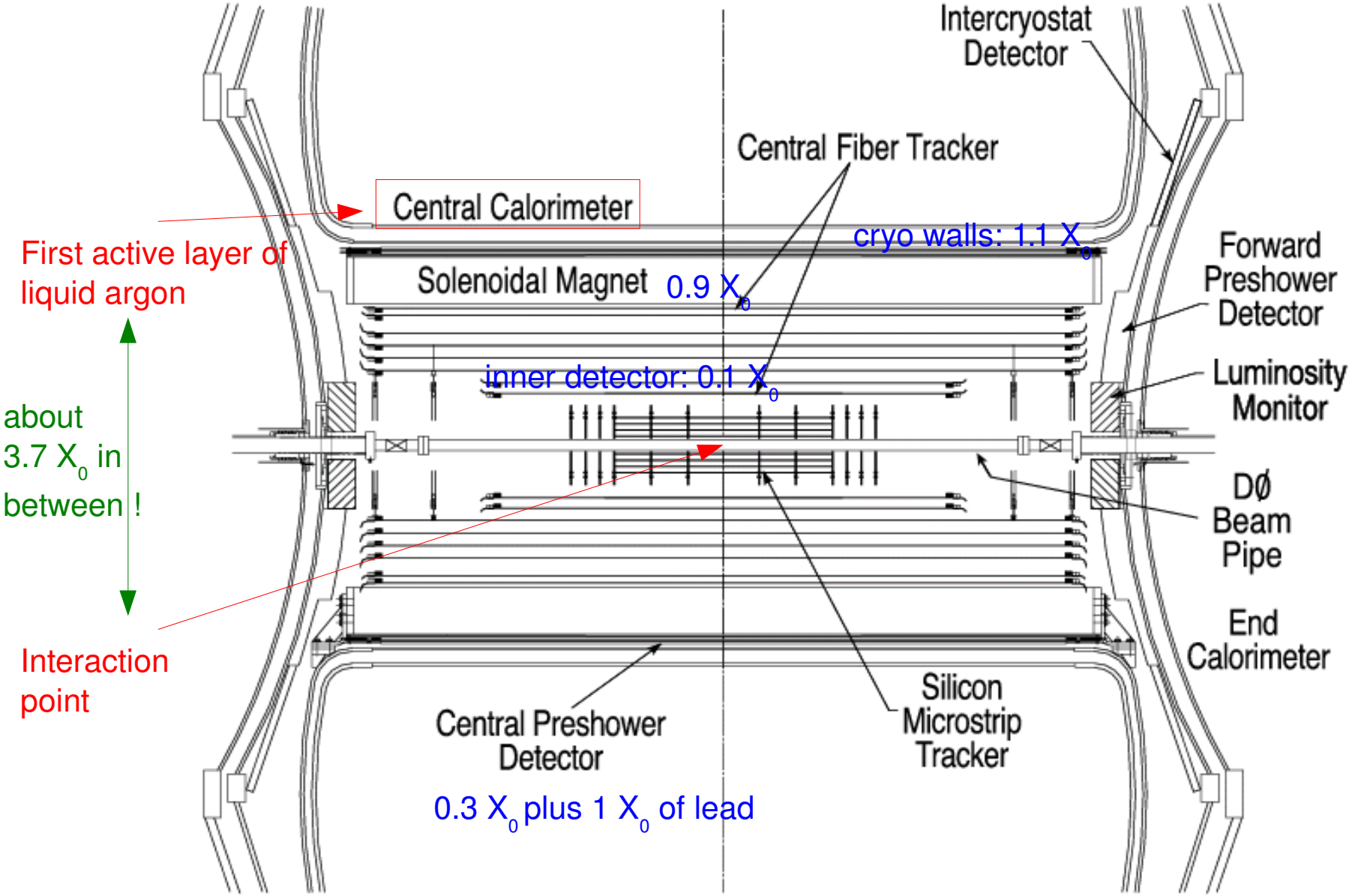
- With special emphasis on D0 ll e asymmetry data (χ^2 weight>1), it is possible to obtain a reasonable agreement for W asymmetry ($\chi^2/d.o.f. = 1-2$) , with some remaining tension with NMC & BCDMS $F_2^d(x,Q)$ and $F_2^p(x,Q)$ at $x > 0.4$

W charge asymmetry

CT10 and CT10W predictions for $A_e(y_e)$ (D0 Run-2)



Keep in mind: the CAL is not alone !



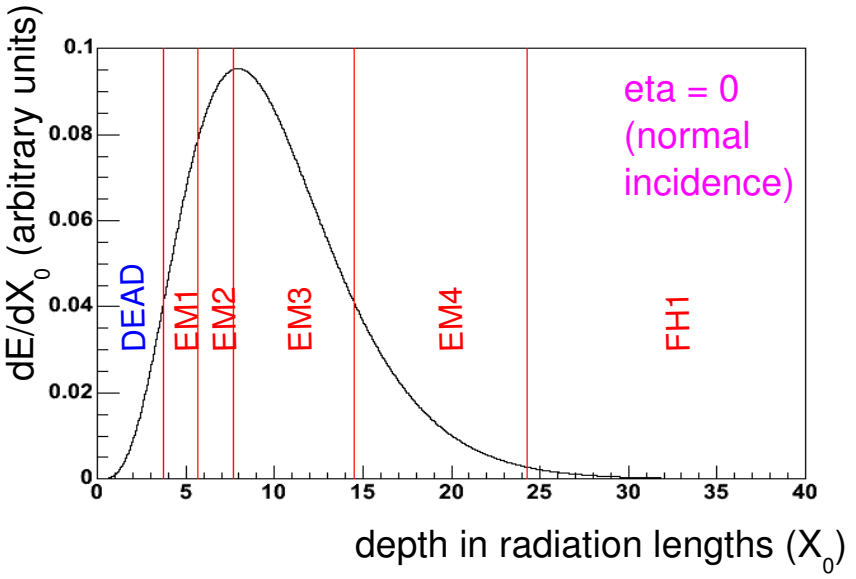
Samples and weights

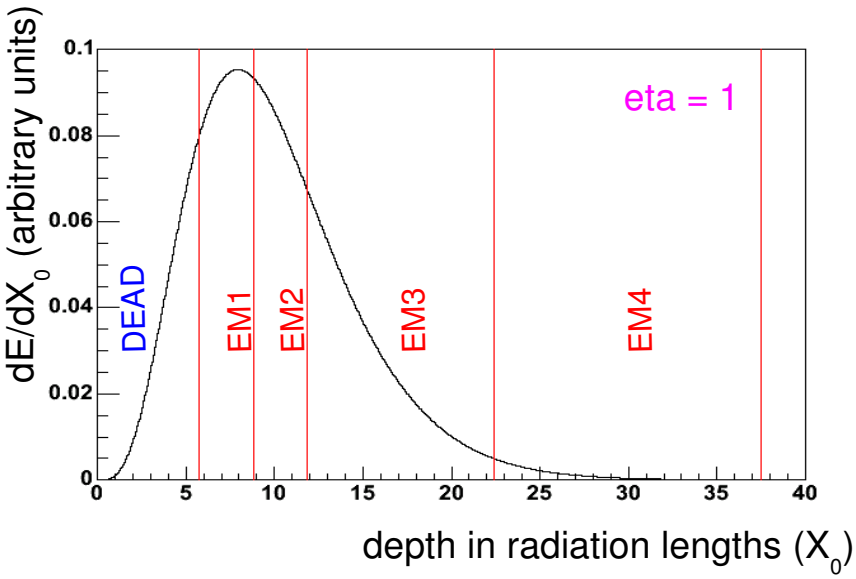
The plot on the right shows the average longitudinal profile of a shower with E = 45 GeV. Assuming normal incidence, the position of the active parts of the CC are also indicated.

In the reconstruction, we apply artificially high weights to the early layers (especially EM1) in an attempt to partially compensate the losses in the dead material:

Layer	depth (X_0)	weight (a.u.)	weight/X_0
EM1	2.0	31.199	15.6
EM2	2.0	9.399	4.7
EM3	6.8	25.716	3.8
EM4	9.1	28.033	3.1
FH1	$\approx$ 40	24.885	$\approx$ 0.6

The lower plot illustrates the situation for the same average shower, but this time under a more extreme angle of incidence (physics eta = 1). The shower maximum is now in EM1 !

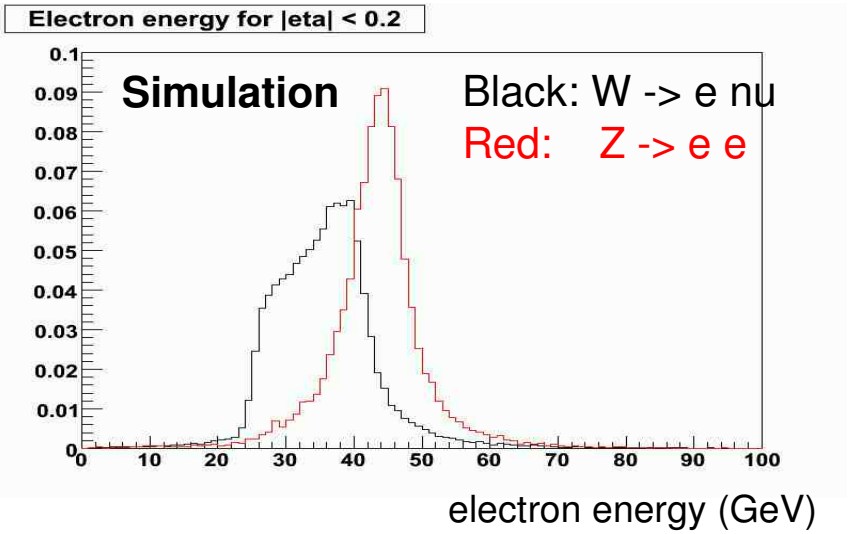




How to split our (already small) $Z \rightarrow e\ e$ sample ??

So we need to understand both average response and the resolution as a function of both energy and angle of incidence.

$Z \rightarrow e\ e$ data gives us access to a line in energy/angle space. Consider CC/CC events. At a given angle, the distribution of energies provided by Nature is rather narrow.



How to proceed:

=> Bin electrons in angle (5 bins).

=> Two electrons per Z.

=> 15 distinct combinations of bins - "categories" (no E ordering).

bin 0 : $0 \le |\eta| < 0.2$
bin 1 : $0.2 \le |\eta| < 0.4$
bin 2 : $0.4 \le |\eta| < 0.6$
bin 3 : $0.6 \le |\eta| < 0.8$
bin 4 : $0.8 \le |\eta|$

Category	Bins of Each Electron
10	0 – 0
11	0 – 1
12	0 – 2
13	0 – 3
14	0 – 4
15	1 – 1
16	1 – 2
17	1 – 3
18	1 – 4
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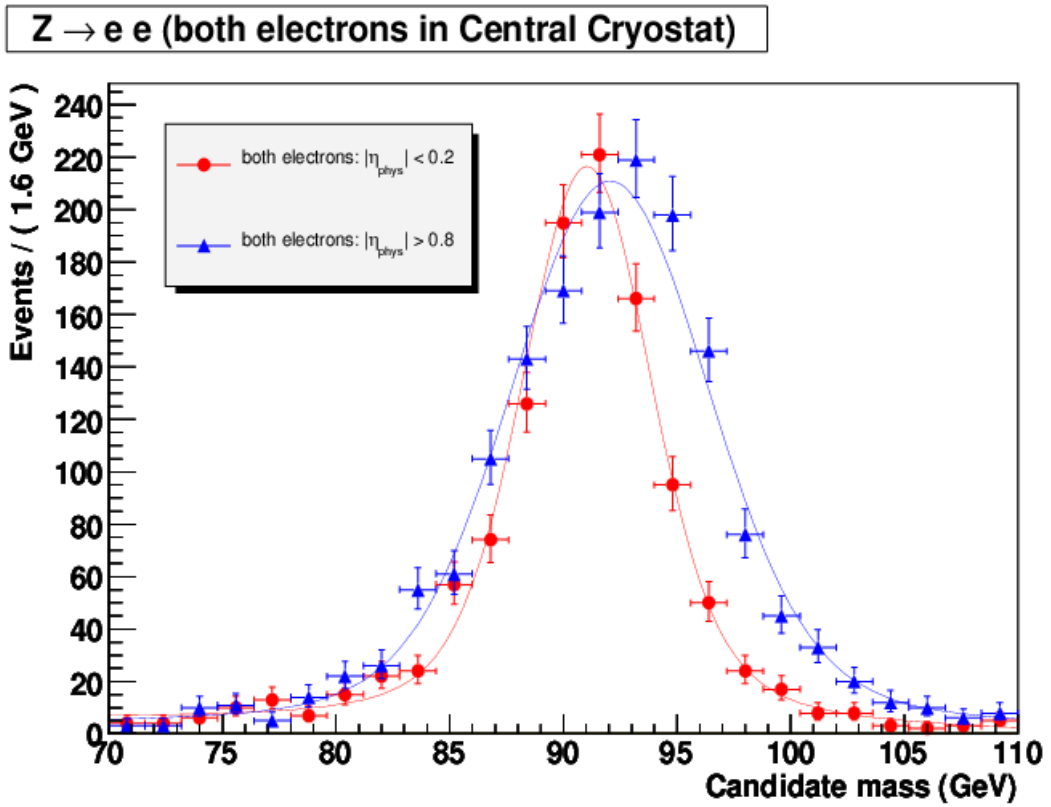
22	3 – 3
23	3 – 4
24	4 – 4

Split CC/CC $Z \rightarrow e\ e$ sample into the 15 categories and study measured Z mass and mass resolution per category.

Once the information from Z has been harvested, we still need to propagate that down to the lower energies of the W. Need to understand scaling laws.

Simple plots (after splitting)

Let's start with a few simple plots that are based on the idea of splitting the sample according to eta of the two electrons. Here are the Z mass peaks (early version of data reconstruction) for "both electrons very central" and "both electrons very forward", i.e. "both electrons at close to normal incidence" and "both electrons at highly non-normal incidence"



We note:

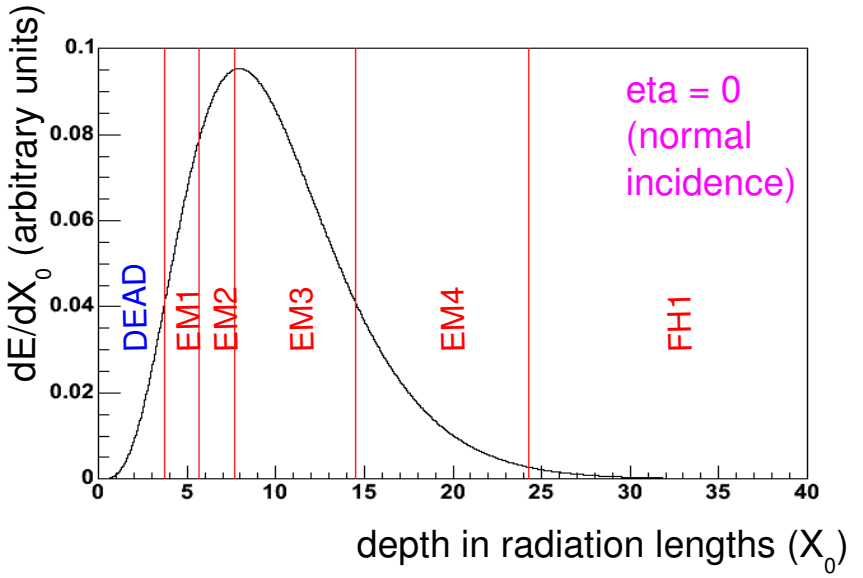
- different resolutions (material !),
- the peaks are not in the same place.

Why aren't the peaks in the same place ? Could be a problem in the MC-based E-loss corrections. But could also be a problem with gain calibrations in different regions of the CAL. This plot alone is not going to tell us, we need more information, new observables.

Need more information: additional observables

Let's go back to one of the plots that we have discussed on an earlier slide.
It clearly suggests that we should try to **exploit the longitudinal segmentation of the EM CAL** to get a handle on dead material:

Imagine we vary the size of the "DEAD" region a little bit
=> the individual layers (EM1 etc) would sample different parts of the shower and therefore see different fractions of the shower energy !!

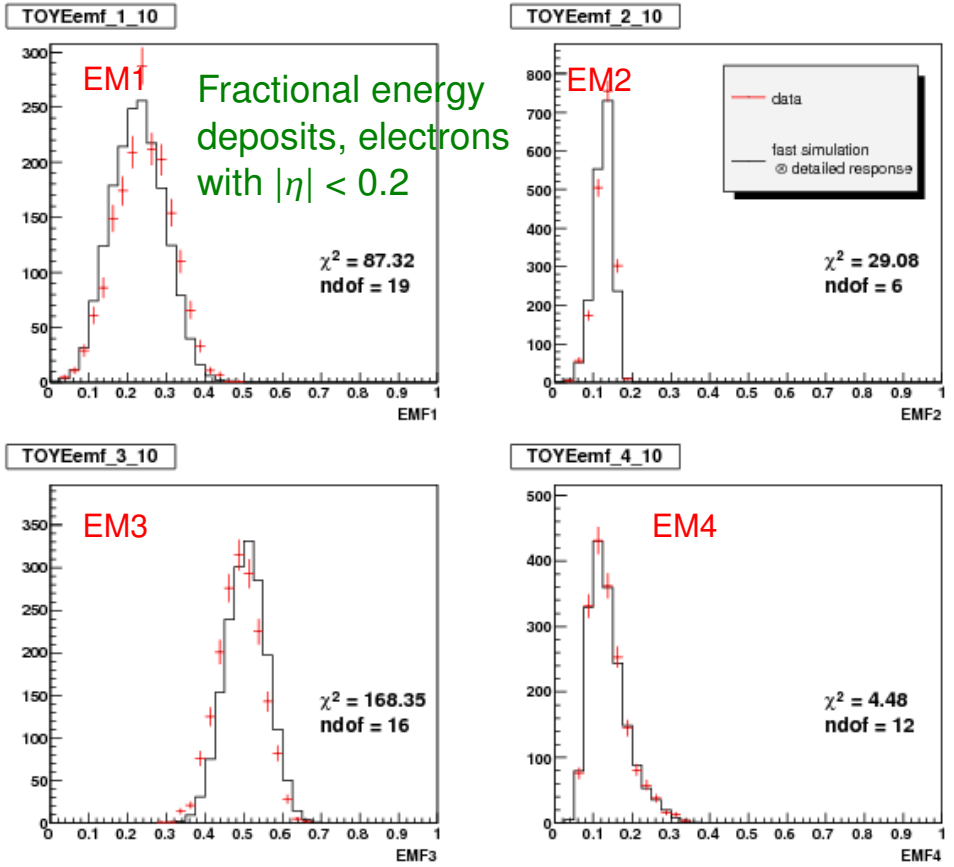


Using the longitudinal segmentation to get a handle on material is a standard technique, it is discussed in the textbooks (e.g. Wigmans).

Back to Dzero. Let's compare data (old reconstruction) and full Monte Carlo (nominal geometry) in terms of the four fractional EM energy deposits. We do this separately in each of the 15 eta categories.

Before tuning of material model

Before tuning of material model:
distributions of fractional energy deposits
do not quite match between data and the simulation.

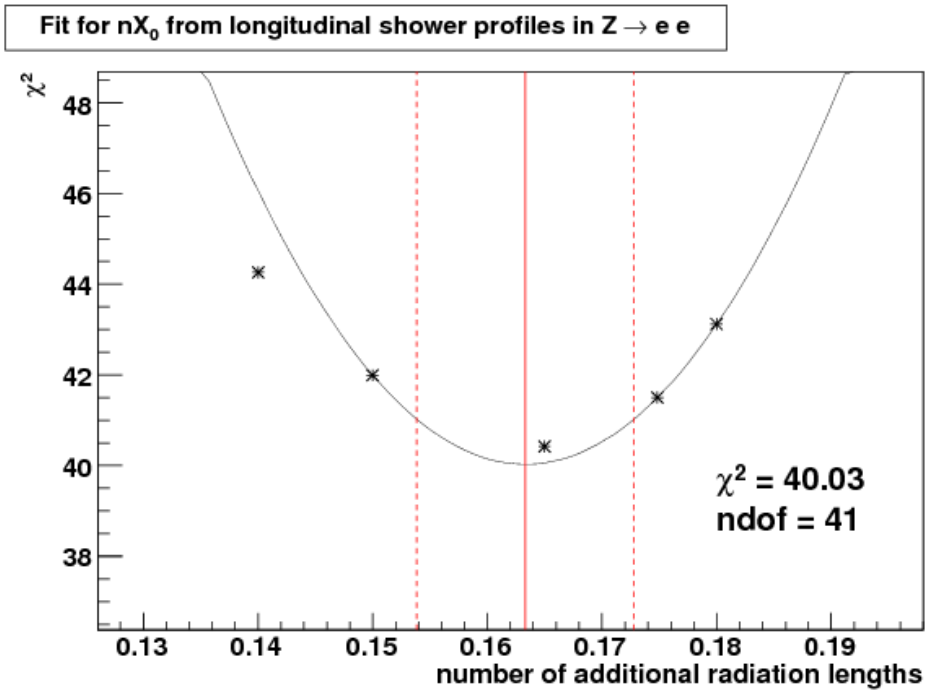


Fit for amount of missing material

"Turn the plots from the previous slides into a fit for the amount of missing material":

Take data/MC ratios per η category for EM1, EM2 and EM3 and fit each one (separately) to a constant. Add the chi-squareds from the three fits. Vary amount of extra material to minimise the global chi-squared.

This implies that we leave the absolute energy scale of each layer free to float. This is because this fit is the first time that we have a handle on the intercalibration of the layers.

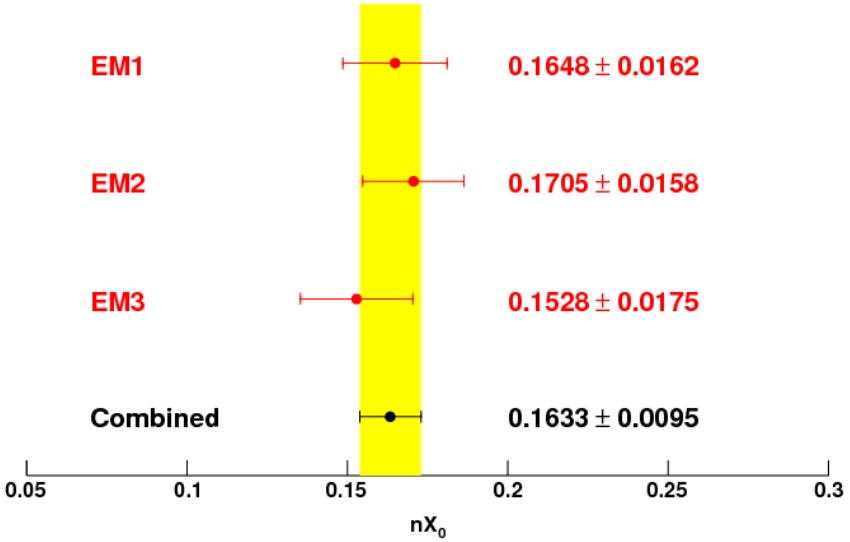


Amount of fudge material to within less than $0.01X_0$!

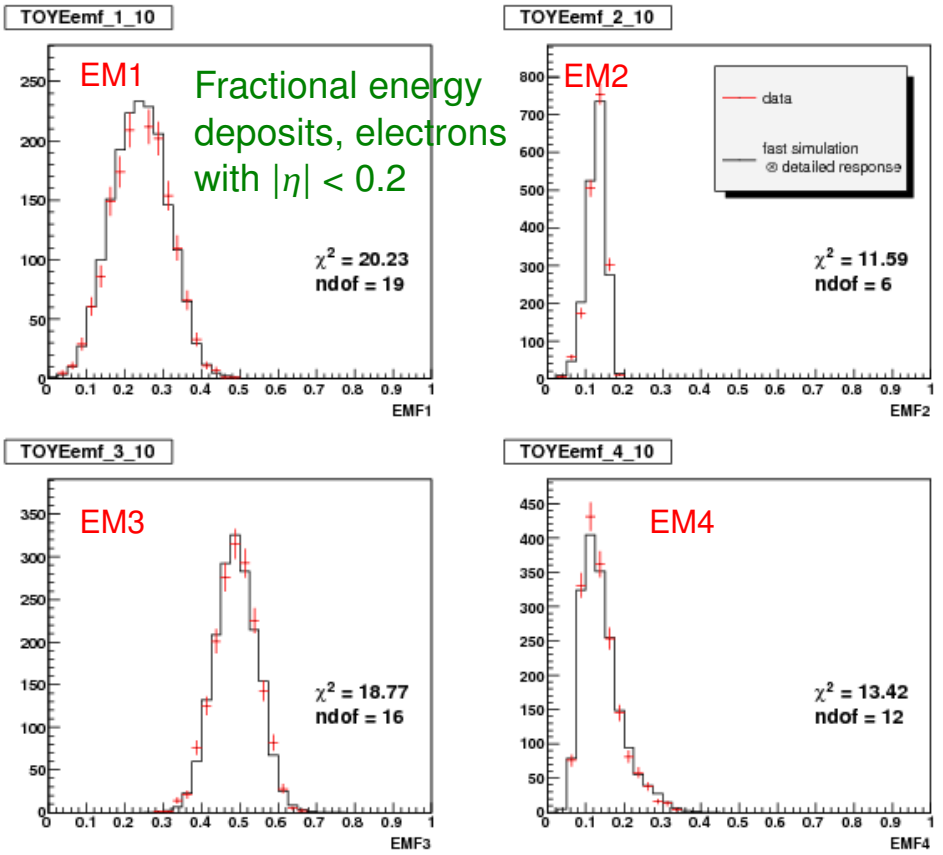
With comparatively small systematics from background (underlying event) subtraction and modelling of cut efficiencies.

After tuning of material model

"Turn the plots from the previous slide into a fit for the amount of missing material".



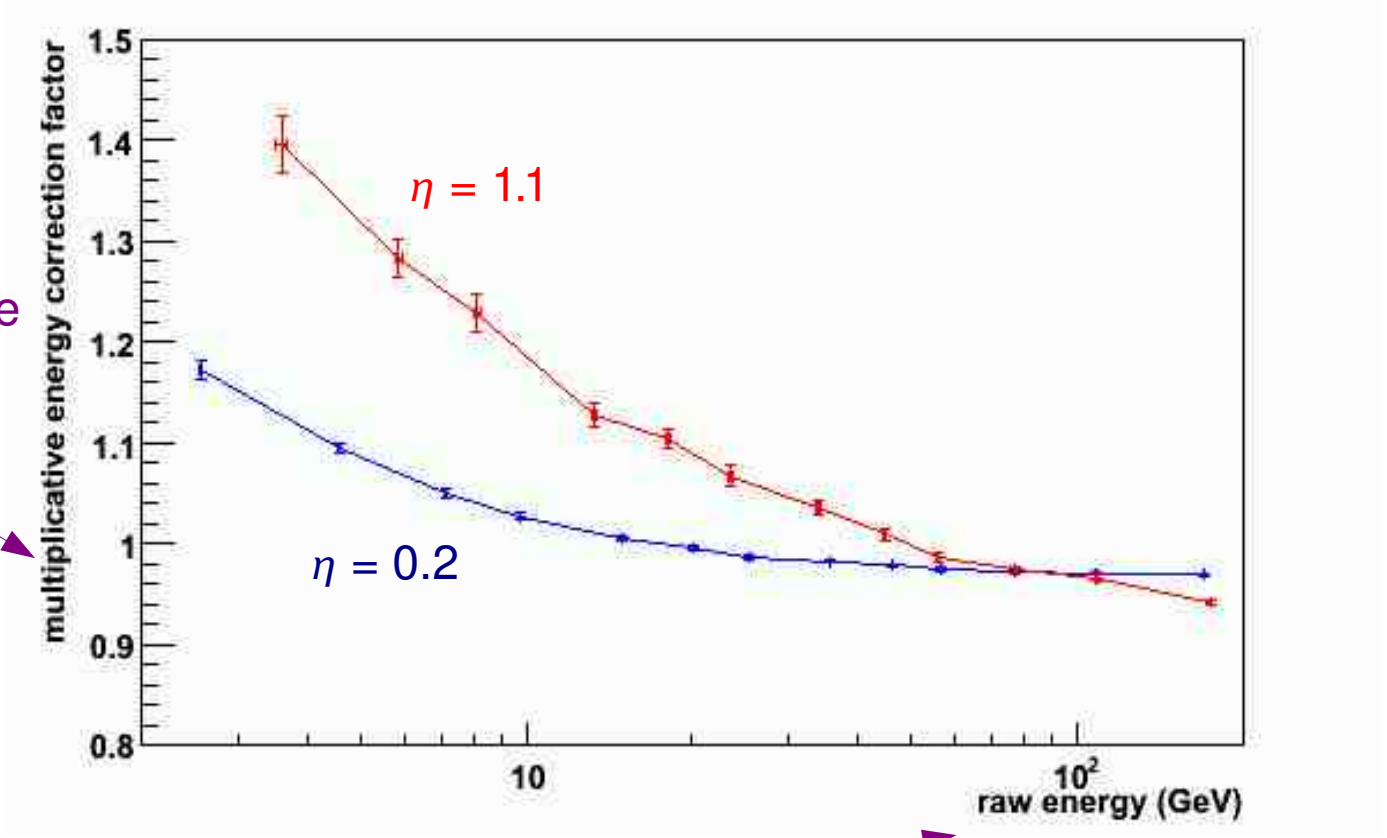
After tuning of material model: distributions of fractional energy deposits are very well described by the simulation.



Correction to the raw energy

An energy-loss correction is applied to our reconstructed electron energies to account for the energy lost in front of the calorimeter. This correction, as a function of energy and angle (η) is estimated using detailed detector simulations based on Geant including the fitted amount of missing material.

This is the energy correction factor that gets us back to the energy of the incident electron.



This is the energy as reconstructed in the CAL.

This energy correction is applied on the data and not parameterised in our fast MC.

Electrons: energy scale

After having corrected for the effects of the uninstrumented material:
final energy response calibration, using $Z \rightarrow e\ e$, the known Z mass value from LEP, and the standard "f_z method":

$$E_{measured} = \alpha \times E_{true} + \beta$$

Use energy spread of electrons in Z decay to constrain α and β .

In a nutshell: the f_Z observable allows you to split your sample of electrons from $Z \rightarrow e\ e$ into subsamples of different true energy; this way you can *"scan" the electron energy response as a function of energy*.

$$f_Z = (E(e1)+E(e2))(1-\cos(\gamma_{ee}))/m_Z$$

γ_{ee} is the opening angle between the two electrons

Result:
$\alpha = 1.0111 \pm 0.0043$
$\beta = -0.404 \pm 0.209$ GeV
correlation: -0.997

This corresponds to the dominant systematic uncertainty (by far) in the W mass measurement (but this is really just Z statistics ... more data will reduce it) :

Δ m(W) = 34 MeV, 100 % correlated between all three observables

EM shower simulation: the basics

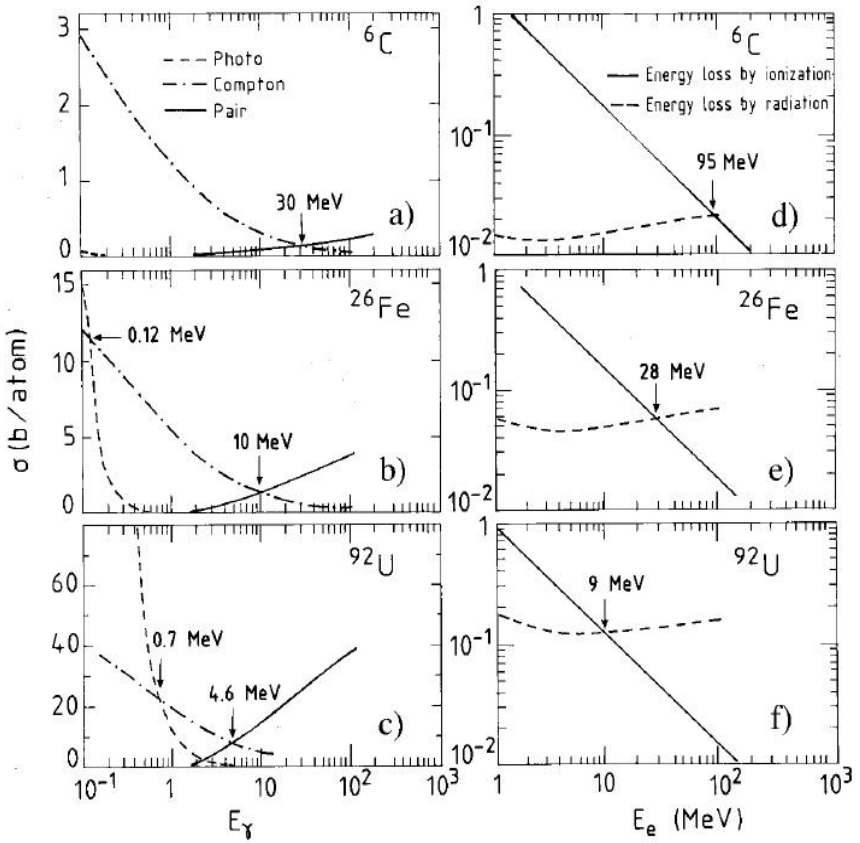


FIG. 2.1. Cross sections for the processes through which the particles composing electromagnetic showers lose their energy, in various absorber materials. To the left are shown the cross sections for pair production, Compton scattering and photoelectric effect in carbon (*a*), iron (*b*) and uranium (*c*). To the right, the fractional energy losses by radiation and ionization are given as a function of the electron energy in carbon (*d*), iron (*e*) and uranium (*f*).

Figures from the textbook by Wigmans (and references therein).

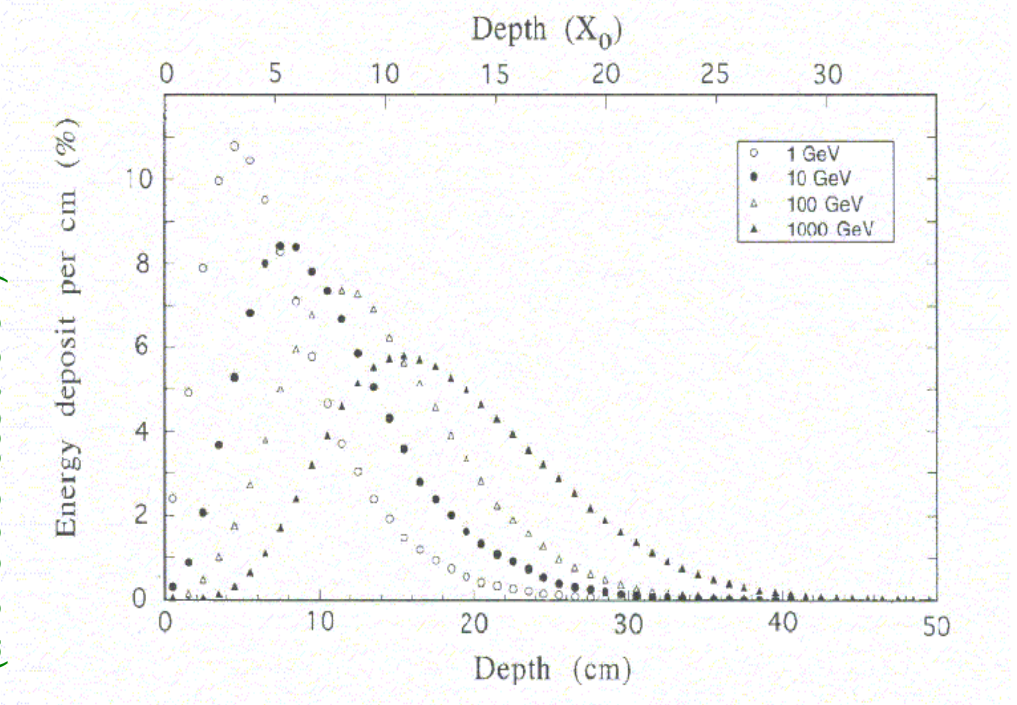


Figure 4: The energy deposit as a function of depth, for 1, 10, 100 and 1000 GeV electron showers developing in a block of copper. In order to compare the energy deposit profiles, the integrals of these curves have been normalised to the same value. The vertical scale gives the energy deposit per cm of copper, as a percentage of the energy of the showering particle. Results of EGS4 [8] calculations. This figure has been taken from Ref. [9].

Bremsstrahlung and pair production drive the overall shower development.
Ionisation (including δ-rays), Compton scattering and the photoelectric effect are important for the details of the way in which the energy of low-energy e/γ is deposited locally (effects at U/LAr boundary).

Bremsstrahlung

In principle, the calculation of Bremsstrahlung cross sections may sound easy: it is just plain QED.
But in practice these calculations involve time-consuming Hartree-Fock calculations,
partial wave expansions, etc, etc.

The state of the art is described in this paper (as well as references therein):

S.M. Seltzer and M. J. Berger,
"Bremsstrahlung spectra from electron interactions with screened atomic nuclei and orbital electrons",
NIM **B**12, 95-134 (1985).

The authors provide a comprehensive set of cross sections, differential in photon energy, for electrons with kinetic energies from T = 1 keV to T = 10 GeV incident on neutral atoms with atomic nums Z = 1 to 100.

Bremsstrahlung in the nuclear field:

For T < 2 MeV:

Full numerical partial-wave analysis for a few elements and energies (limited by computing at the time)

For T > 50 MeV:

Analytical calculations, including screening and Coulomb corrections

In between:

"Smooth interpolation" in $(\beta^2/Z^2)k*d\sigma/dk$

Bremsstrahlung in the field of the atomic electrons:

Effects of atomic binding and screening are taken into account (includes full Hartree-Fock calculations), give or take a few small approximations, justified in the paper.

Uncertaities on total cross section, estimated by the authors:

T < 2 MeV: 5 – 10 %

2 MeV < T < 50 MeV:

decreasing from 10 % at 2 MeV to 3 % at 50 MeV

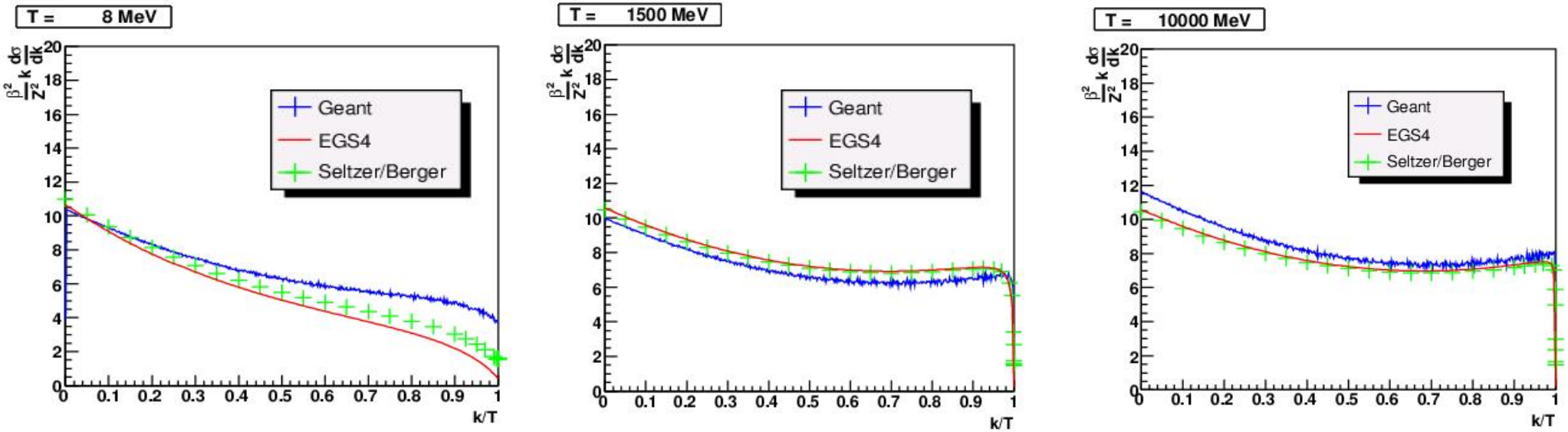
T > 50 MeV: 3 %

Within these uncertainties, the predictions are consistent with the limited experimental data that are available.

Bremsstrahlung

Popular simulation programs (like Geant or EGS) often use simplified models or simple parameterisations of cross sections in order to avoid large look-up tables and to implement fast random number techniques.

Example: Bremsstrahlung by electrons in uranium



T = kinetic energy of incident electron k = energy of the radiated photon

Geant uses a simple fit to a subset (six elements and a limited number of k/T values) of the numbers published by*Seltzer and Berger. Uranium (shown above), is one of the elements included in the fit; agreement is much worse for some elements that are not included.

Seltzer and Berger have published a large ASCII file with all their results. Have plugged this complete look-up table into Geant. For energies above T = 10 GeV, the analytical high-energy formulae are used .

Photon interactions

Two extensive collections of cross sections for the interactions of photons with matter are accessible to the community.

- XCOM: Photon Cross Sections Database
  Provided by the National Institute of Standards and Technology

  http://physics.nist.gov

- EPDL97: The Evaluated Photon Data Library
  Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

  http://www-nds.iaea.org/epdl97

These databases provide, among other things, cross sections for pair production, coherent (Rayleigh) and incoherent (Compton) scattering, as well as the photoelectric effect, for $1 \leq Z \leq 100$ and $1\ \text{keV} \leq T \leq 100\ \text{GeV}$.

Have compared the cross sections in these two databases with the parameterisations that are implemented in Geant.

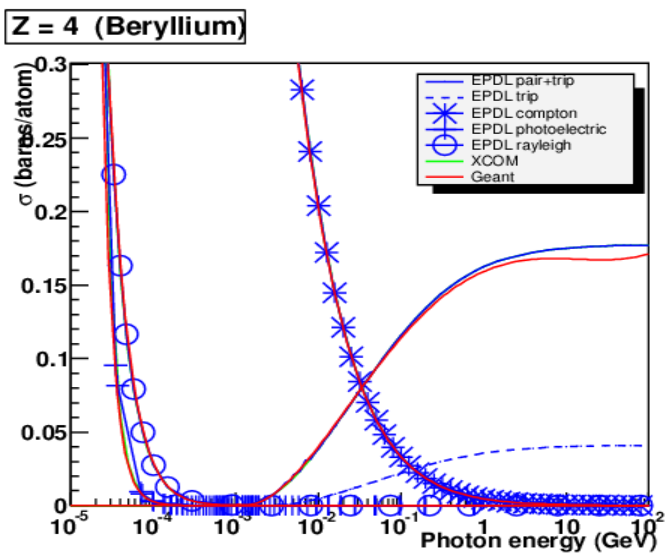
As we will see on the next slide, the two databases are in remarkable agreement with each other.
This is not surprising given that there is a large overlap between the list of authors of these two databases, and given that, in many cases, they use numbers from the same papers.

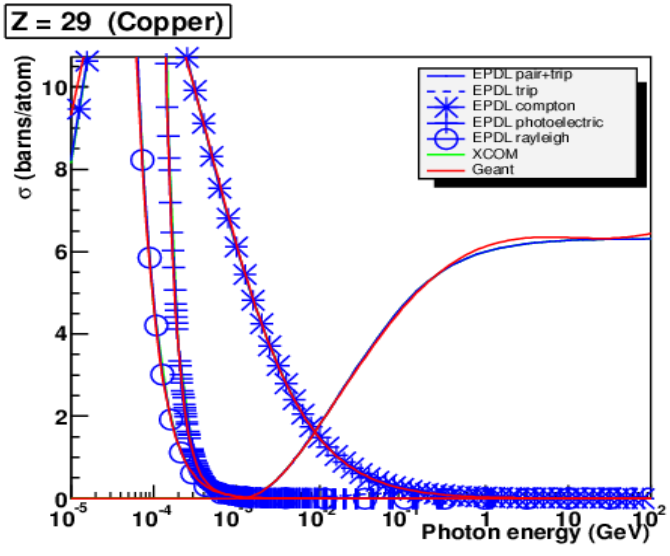
Geant also agrees remarkably well with these databases. This is again not surprising. Geant uses again simple parameterisations, but the shapes of the photon cross sections are much easier to parameterise than Bremsstrahlung, and again the numbers from the same papers have been used as inputs to the fits.

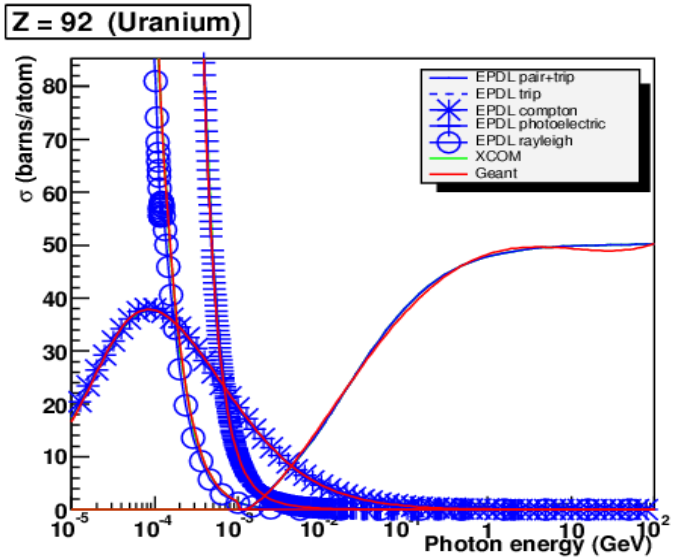
A small exception is pair production at low Z where the fits do not work too well, as we will see on the next slide.

Photon interactions

Comparision for three example elements:







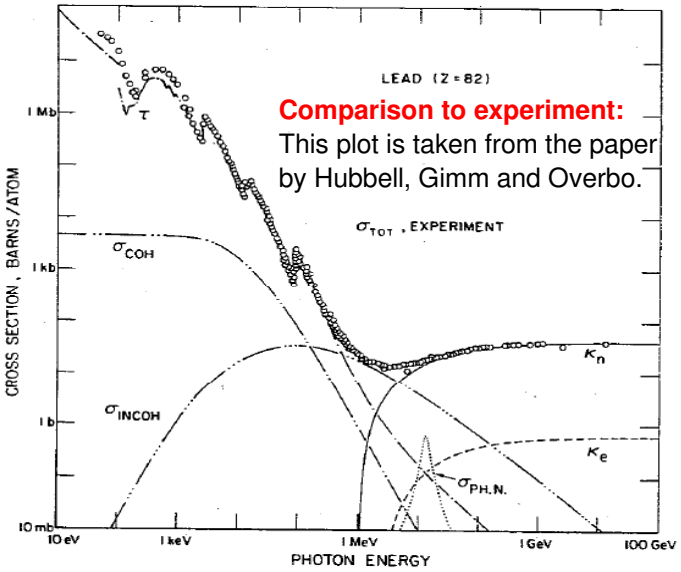
Most parameterisations of photon cross sections in Geant are not too bad. One small exception is pair production.

For pair production, both databases use the results from this paper:

J.H. Hubbell, H.A. Gimm and I. Overbo,
"*Pair, Triplet, and total atomic cross sections (and mass attenuation coefficients) for 1 MeV – 100 GeV photons in elements Z = 1 to 100*",
J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data **9**, 1023 (1980).

The results in this paper have also been used to establish the parameterisation for Geant.

Have extracted the results from Hubbell *et al.* from the XCOM database and have plugged a complete look-up table into Geant.



Comparison to experiment:
This plot is taken from the paper by Hubbell, Gimm and Overbo.

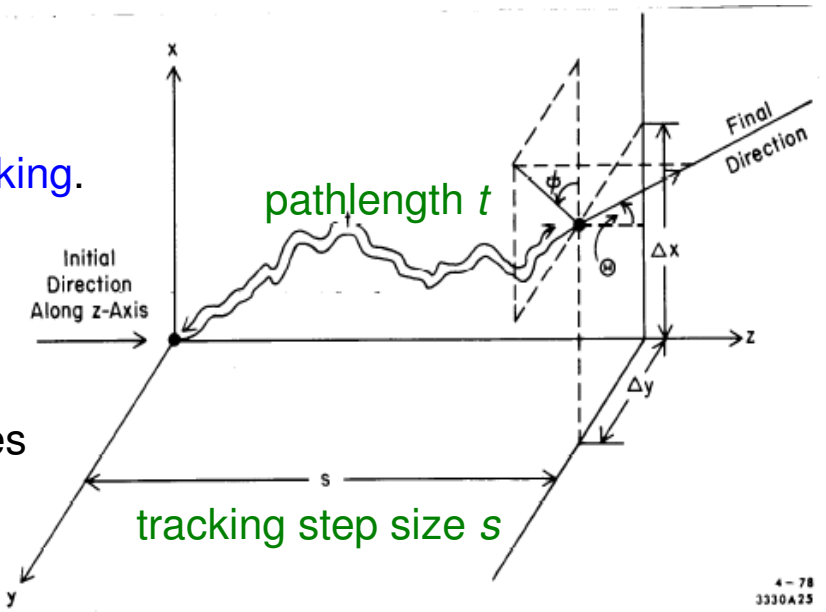
Particle “tracking”

In a nutshell:

- There are various parameters in Geant (3) particle tracking. These include things like the “maximum fractional energy loss in one step” and the “shortest step size Geant is willing to take”.

- Most users use Geant in AUTO mode, *i.e.* Geant choses the values of the parameters for them.

- Mulitiple scattering is simulated using Molière theory. That theory provides predictions (PDFs) for things like the scattering angles defined in the plot on the right. It also provides the *pathlength correction* (predict *t* for a given *s*).



The tracking algorithm “thinks” in terms of *s*, but for dE/dx it calculates *t*.

- The formula for the pathlength correction is only valid for small steps *s* (a precise definition for “small” is provided by the theory).

- *One* of the nasty things that can happen in AUTO mode is that, already at high energies (1 MeV level), the upper limit on *s* from Molière theory is **inconsistent** with the lower limit on *s* chosen by Geant (to conserve CPU). This leads to dramatic (factor 3-4) overestimates of the range of sub-MeV electrons ... [which is pretty bad when you simulate a sampling calorimeter].

“First principles” vs. “parameterised” simulations

We all like “first principles” simulations, *i.e.* simulations where everything is based on a formal theory that predicts everything.

Examples:
- A gauge theory used to simulate some $e^+ e^- \rightarrow X$ collision.
- A simulation based on the known laws of the interactions between high-energy particles and matter, as well as a model of the DØ detector geometry is used to predict the electron energy response in DØ.

But what to do when the “first principles” cannot be made precise/complete enough ?

Examples:
- Tricky mathematical issues in QCD description of $p^+ p^{+/-} \rightarrow X$.
- Response to hadrons not simulated quite right in detector simulation.
- ...

Here “parameterised” simulations can be very powerful, because they have simple “knobs” that we can turn to adjust things.

Examples:
- Non-perturbative form factors to be determined from collider data.
- Simple parameterisation of hadron energy response, to be fit to control sample from collider data.

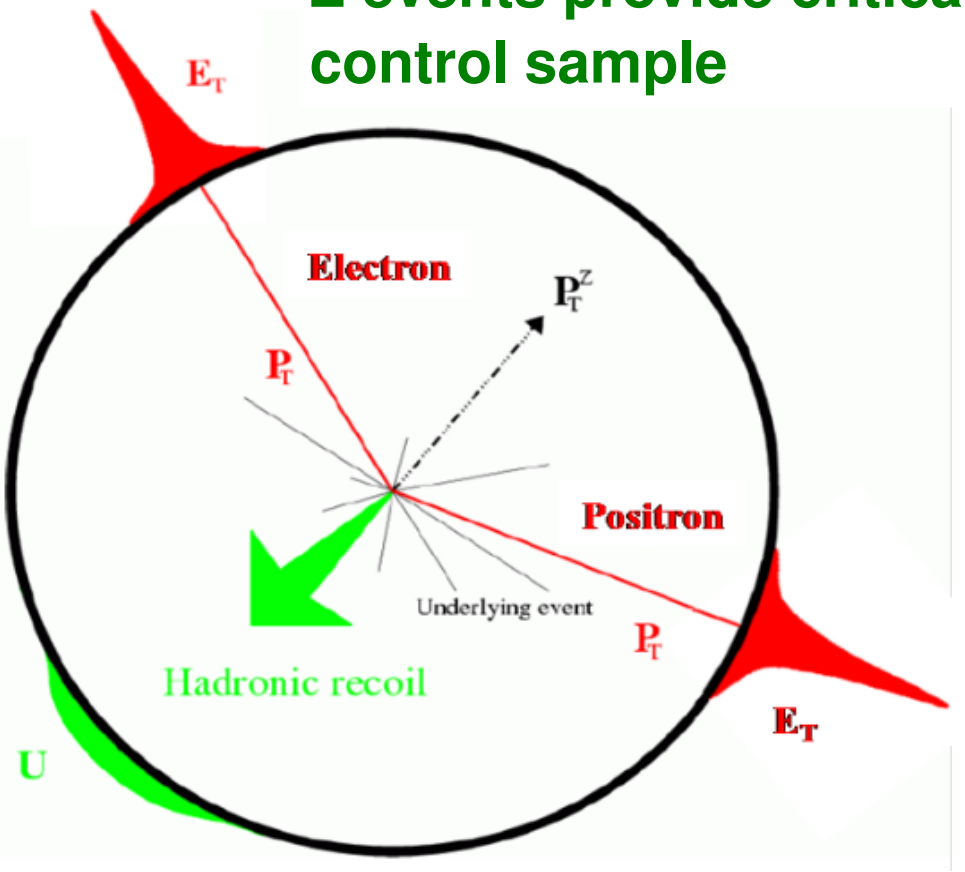
In practice, the trick is to combine the two approaches. In the DØ m(W) measurement we have a parameterised simulation with many parameterisations derived from first-principles simulations.

Detector simulation

The detector simulation used in the DØ m(W) measurement is a parameterised simulation,
i.e. it has paramterised models for things like,
- electron identification efficiencies,
- electron energy resolution,
- recoil resolution,
- energy flow from the recoil into electron cone and vice versa,
- ...

Most parameter values are derived from data control samples. The single most important control sample is **Z → e e** (because the Z mass is well known and the e e final state can be reconstructed with excellent resolution).

Z events provide critical control sample

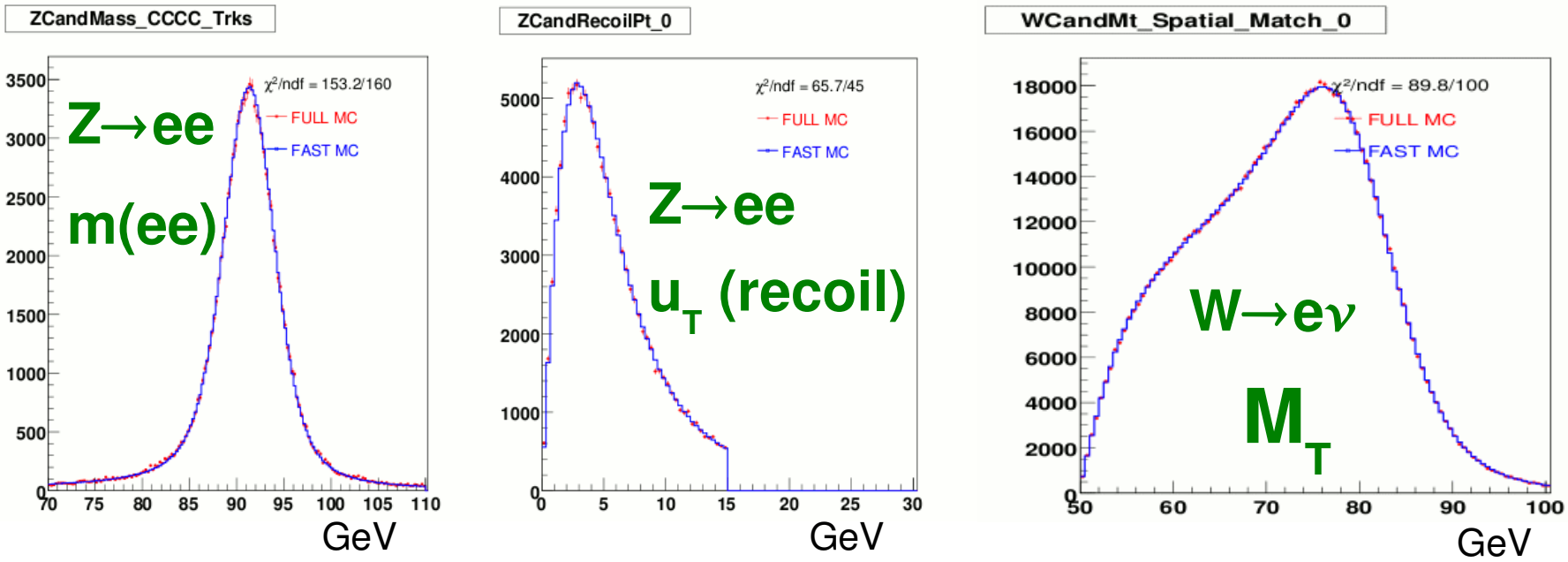


But: some parameterisations are derived from detailed first principles simulations,
e.g. electron E-loss corrections, sampling term in electron energy resolution, detailed model of electron identification efficiency [Z data are used to derive a small correction], photon energy response (for FSR), ...

MC closure test

Standard worry with parameterised detector simulations: "*you fit some ad-hoc parameterisation to some data and of course they will match; but how do you know that the parameterisation and fit procedures make any sense ?*". Useful tool: MC closure test !!

Before analysing the collider data, we perform a **Monte Carlo closure test**. This means we treat simulated events from a detailed Pythia/Geant simulations as collider data and perform a full W mass analysis. Goal: develop and test analysis procedures and code with known input values. At each analysis step, check that predictions from parameterised MC match MC truth.



✓ **Good agreement between full and parameterised MC.**

MC closure test

Standard worry with parameterised detector simulations: "*you fit some ad-hoc parameterisation to some data and of course they will match; but how do you know that the parameterisation and fit p*

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treat sim erform
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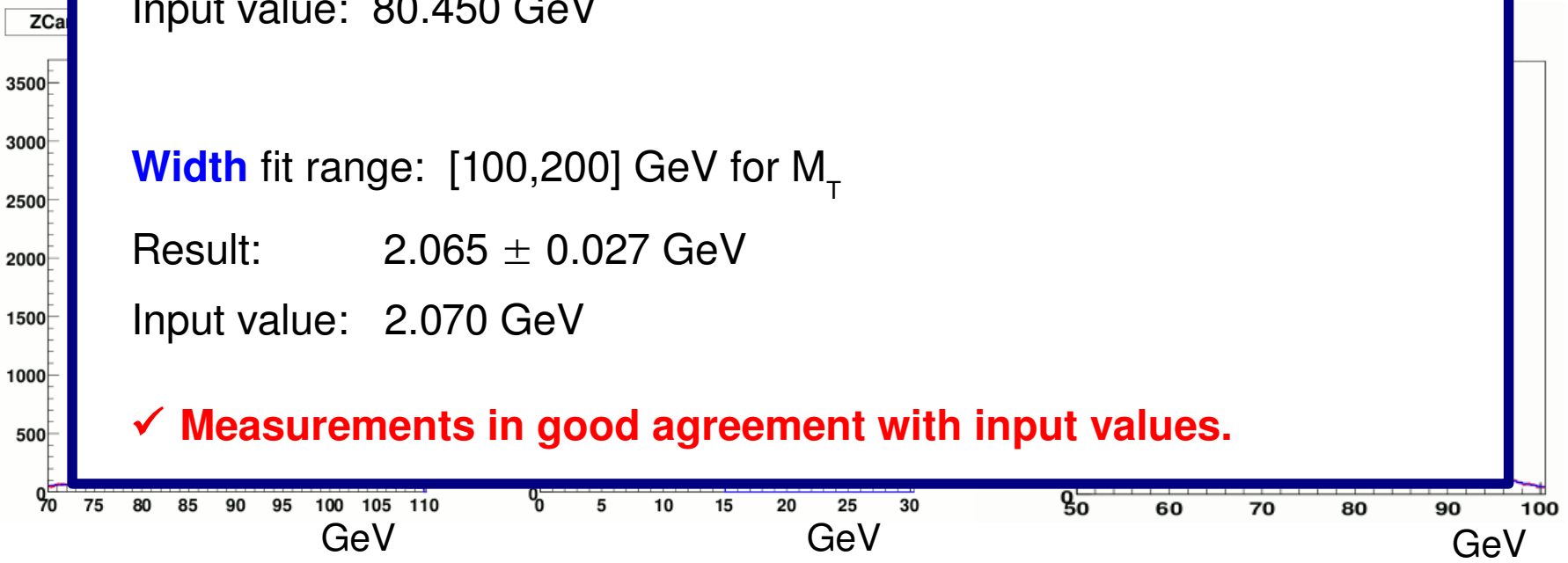
Input value: 80.450 GeV

Width fit range: [100,200] GeV for M_T

Result: 2.065 ± 0.027 GeV

Input value: 2.070 GeV

✓ **Measurements in good agreement with input values.**



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(Important) technical comments

Some technical comments/pleas, without any specific order:

- **We need "knobs to turn":**

  It is good that we have ever more precise calculations and event generators that get close to reproducing the data ! But in most cases they will not match *exactly* => want adjustable parameters.

  Of course, the parameters need to make some physics sense ... of you tune them to Z data they should work well for W data.

- **We all need alternatives to compare:**

  It is good that there are multiple experiments per collider (*e.g.* CDF and DØ); we can compare their analyses and results.

  We have learned very valuable lessons from comparing Geant and EGS.

  It would be good if there were multiple generators that are good at EWK and QCD and that, out-of-the-box, give a good description of vector boson data (including boson p_T) ...

- **We need public codes (including event generators):**

  Could not have done the Geant <-> EGS validation/comparison without the source code.

  Even if they contain bells, whistles and switches that we do not have to / want to play with, being able to run ourselves at least allows us to check a few obvious things like numerical stability.

  Also, we need to generate *huge* samples.

Theory-experiment collaboration

Of course, this precision measurement requires an efficient collaboration between theorists and experimentalists. We are very active in this area, in the framework of the "Milano series of W mass workshops". More information from the WS website is pasted below.

URL: `http://wwwteor.mi.infn.it/~vicini/wmass.html`

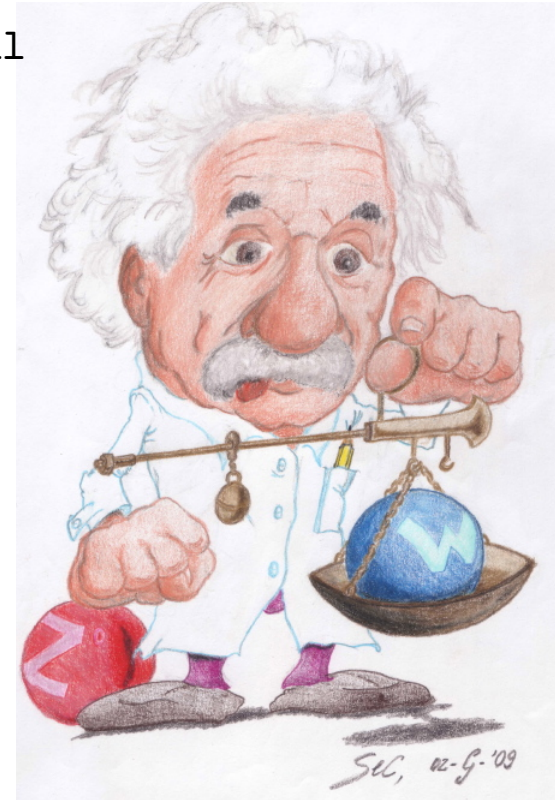
W mass workshop

Department of Physics, University of Milano, March 17-18, 2009

W mass workshop

Second meeting, Fermilab, October 4-5 2010

Organizers:
John Campbell (Fermilab)
Ashutosh Kotwal (Duke)
Jan Stark (Grenoble)
Alessandro Vicini (Milano)
Doreen Wackeroth (SUNY at Buffalo)



In view of a 25 MeV measurement of the W mass, it becomes increasingly important to control the theoretical predictions and to fully understand the present theoretical uncertainties. A lot of progress has been made in both the QCD and the EW sector. However, the predictions including QCD and EW radiative corrections are not available in one event generator: therefore the need for developing recipes which allow to combine the different sets of radiative corrections. The uncertainties intrinsic for these recipes should be quantified in a systematic way.

Recent talks on Tevatron experience

Workshop "Challenges for precision physics at the LHC",
LPNHE Paris, December 15 – 18, 2010:

- A. Kotwal, "W/Z physics in CDF"
- J. Stark, "W/Z physics in D0"
- several excellent theory talks

"The physics of W and Z bosons",
RIKEN BNL research centre workshop, BNL, June 25 – 25, 2010:

- A. Kotwal, "W mass measurements at CDF"
- J. Zhu, "W mass measurements at D0"
- J. Stark, "Monte Carlo modelling issues for W measurements"
- several excellent theory talks

The talks at the two workshops in the "Milano series".

I strongly encourage you to look at the CDF talks, since I did not have the time to cover their material here. You will notice that many basic ideas are the same in both analyses. But there are important differences. One example: the way in which the lepton energy scale is established. D0 builds on a precise first-principles understanding of calorimetry. CDF builds on detailed understanding of their beautiful tracker. The tracker momentum scale is then transferred to the calorimeter (E/p observable).

Summary and outlook

We have presented the first Run II measurement of the W boson mass from the DØ Collaboration. It is based on central electrons in 1 fb^{-1} of data:

$$
\begin{aligned}
m_W &= 80.401 \pm 0.023(\text{stat}) \pm 0.037(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV} = 80.401 \pm 0.044 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{m}_\text{T}) \\
&\quad 80.400 \pm 0.027(\text{stat}) \pm 0.040(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV} = 80.400 \pm 0.048 \text{ GeV} \quad (p_T^e), \\
&\quad 80.402 \pm 0.023(\text{stat}) \pm 0.044(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV} = 80.402 \pm 0.050 \text{ GeV} \quad (\not\!\!E_T).
\end{aligned}
$$

This is the most precise single measurement of the W boson mass to date.
The first CDF Run II measurement is almost as precise, and the Tevatron average now has a smaller uncertainty than the LEP average.

Tried to give a feeling for the methods that have been developed – calibrations, simulations, ...

Showed projected precision that we expect from the much larger datasets that we are currently analysing. Depending on the central value that we will obtain, the standard model could get into serious trouble in the next years.

Discussed some of the other measurements that we do in order to further constrain the details of the model of W/Z production and decay. They are interesting measurements in their own right, and they help reduce systematic uncertainties in W mass measurements.

This is an extremely exciting period at the Tevatron and at the LHC.

Tevatron ↔ LHC

Measurements of the W boson mass at the (SppS), Tevatron and the LHC have a lot in common:

- Hadron collider
  => unknown logitudinal momentum of neutrino; use observables like m_T and $p_T(e)$
  => pileup, “underlying event”
  => need for the same kind of QCD-inspired model/calculations

- Need for precise understanding/calibration of lepton momentum scale.
  In detectors with non-trivial material budget

- Need for precise first-principles simulations of the detectors.
  Need for fast, flexible simulations for fast turn-around.

- The bar, set by previous measurements, is extremely high.

- ...

Of course, there also are significant differences:

- larger statistics at the LHC (including the Z bosons !),

- p pbar vs. p p, higher energy: important consequences for modelling of boson production, in particular PDFs

- ...

Backup slides

Comments on analysis strategy

Before analysing the collider data, we perform a **Monte Carlo closure test**. This means we treat simulated events from a detailed Pythia/Geant simulations as collider data and perform a full W mass/width analysis. Goal: develop and test analysis procedures and code with known input values. At each analysis step, check that predictions from parameterised MC match MC truth.

We perform our measurements as a **blind analysis**. This means that the central values (but not the uncertainties) are deliberately hidden from the analysers and reviewers until the analysis is considered complete. The blinding technique we used is a standard technique that is routinely used by other collaborations, *e.g.* BaBar:

> Simply change your mass fitting program in such a way that it reports the fitted mass, offset by some hidden offset.
> The offset is the same for all three observables (=> allow comparisons), no uncertainties, neither statistical nor systematic are ever obscured by the blinding.

"Unblinding" has been done only after collaboration approval.

MC closure test: Z → e e

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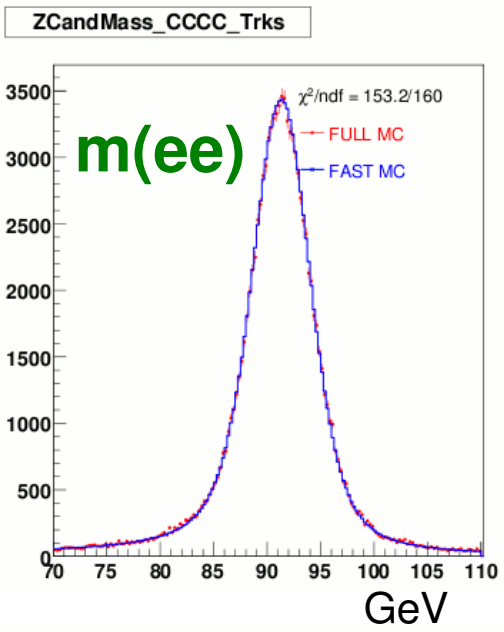

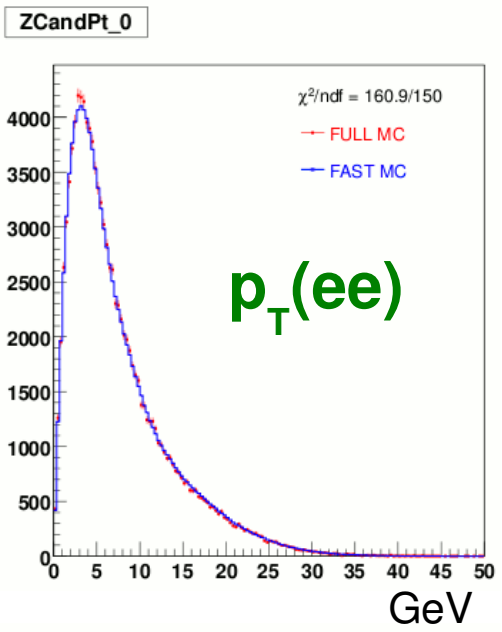

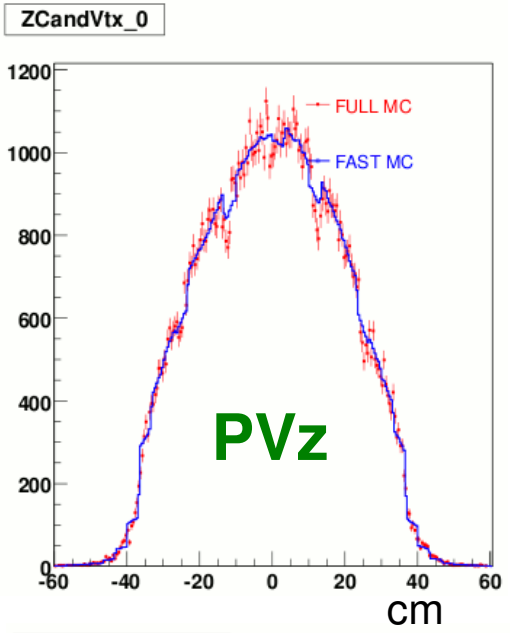

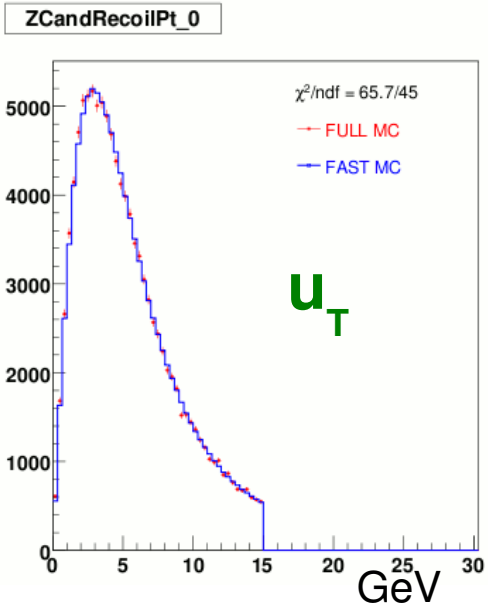

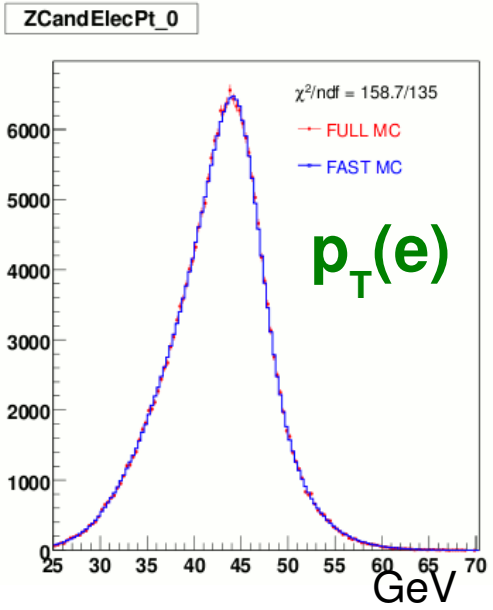

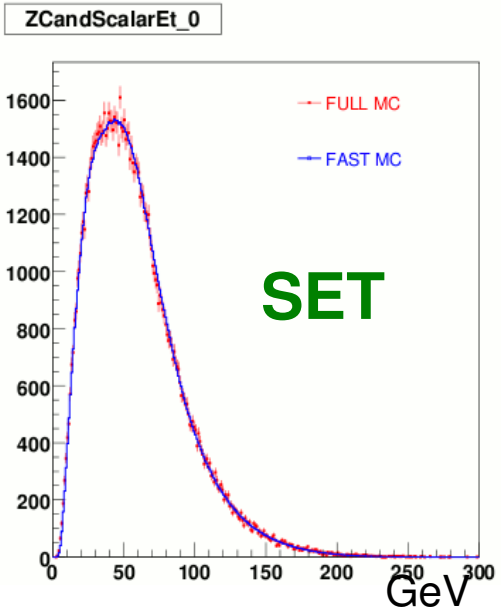

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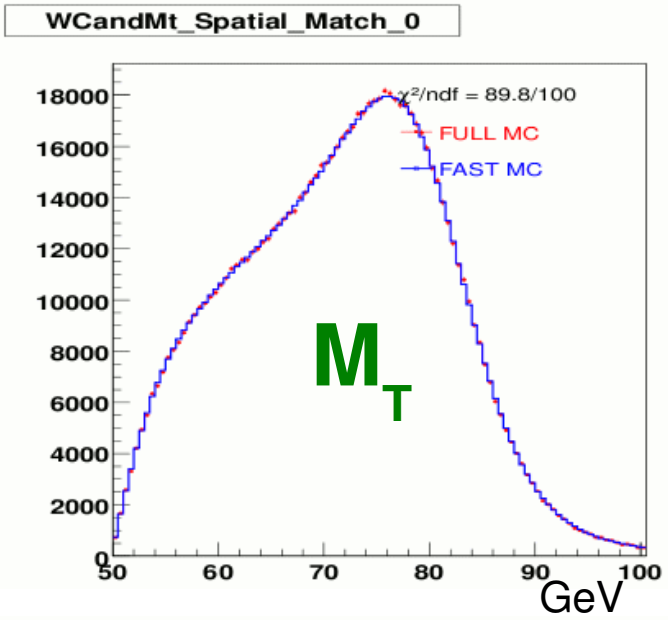

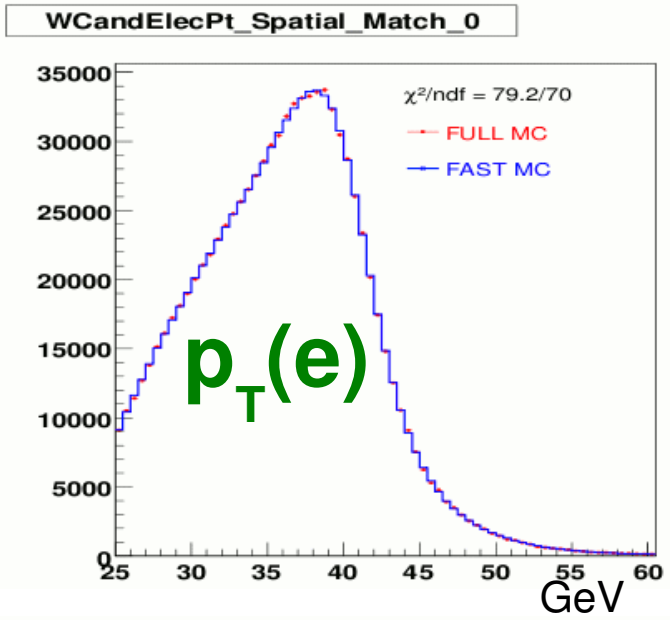

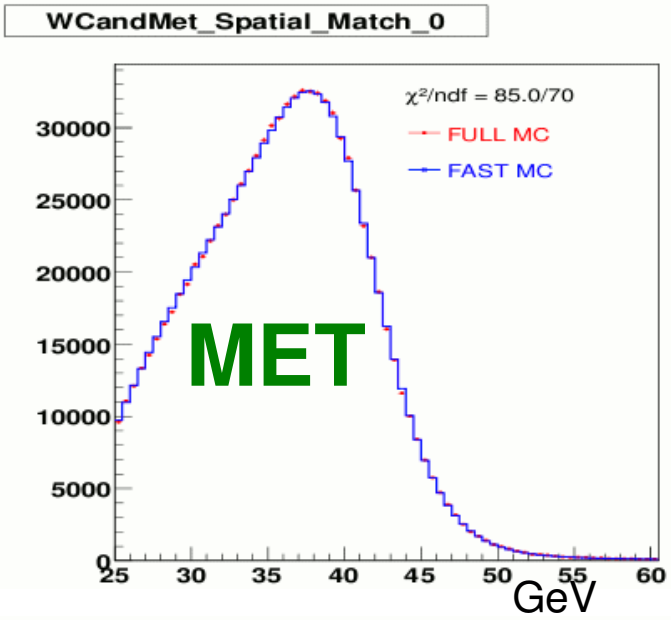

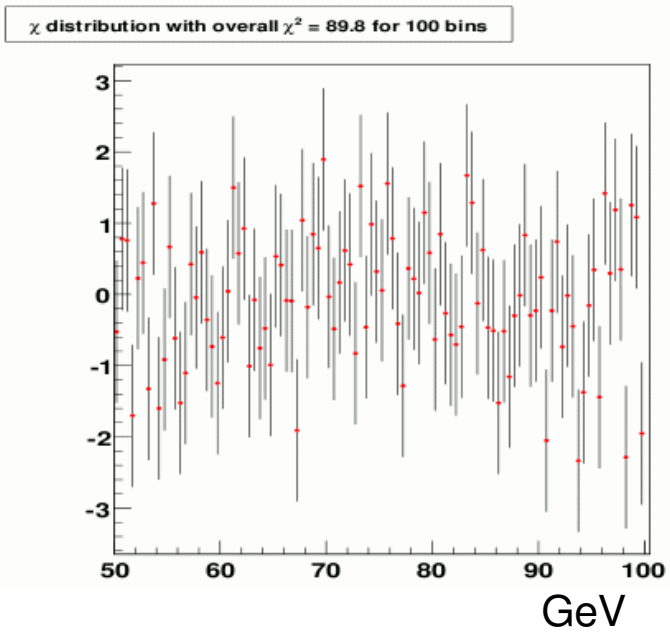

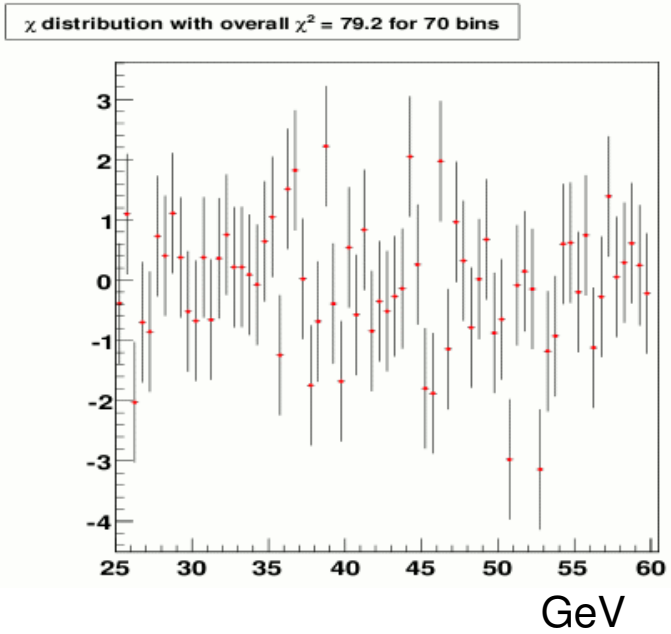

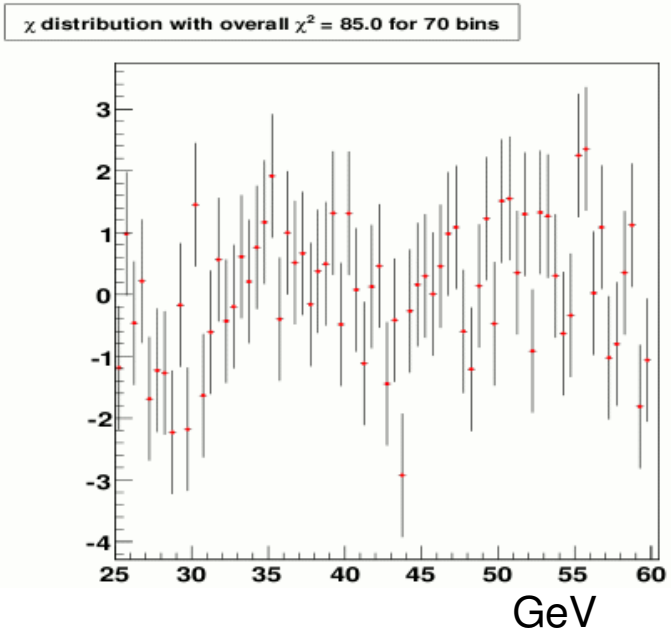

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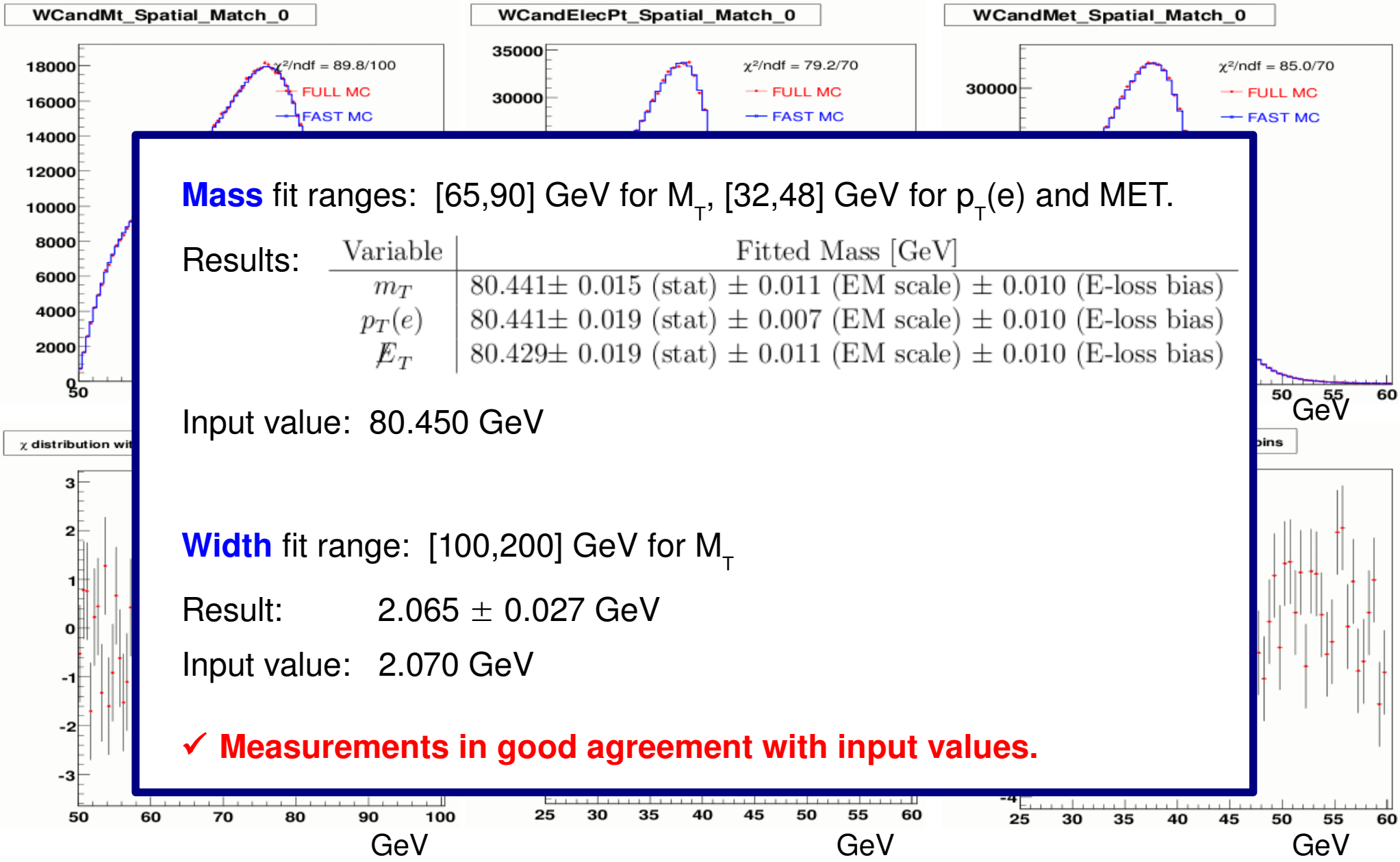

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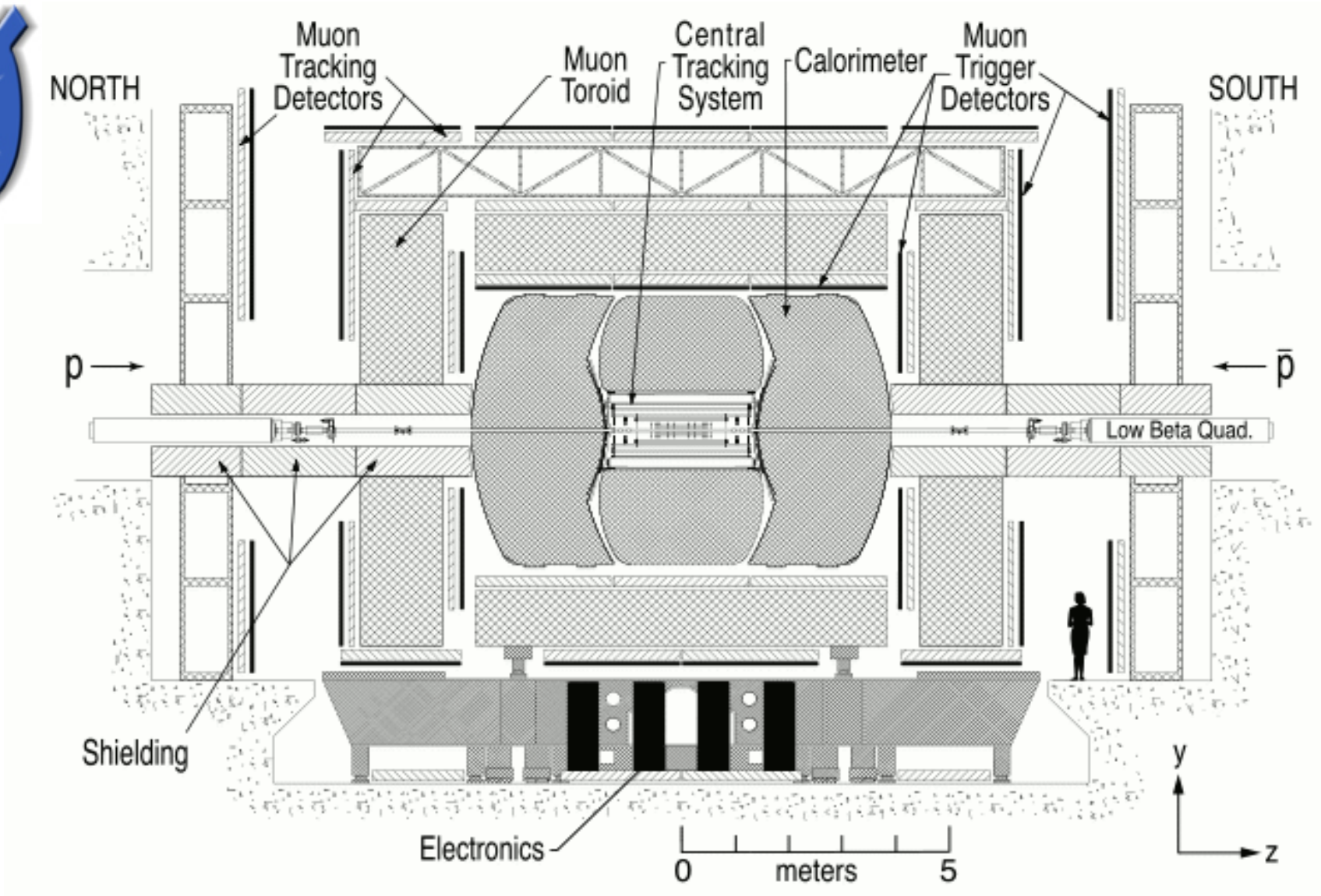
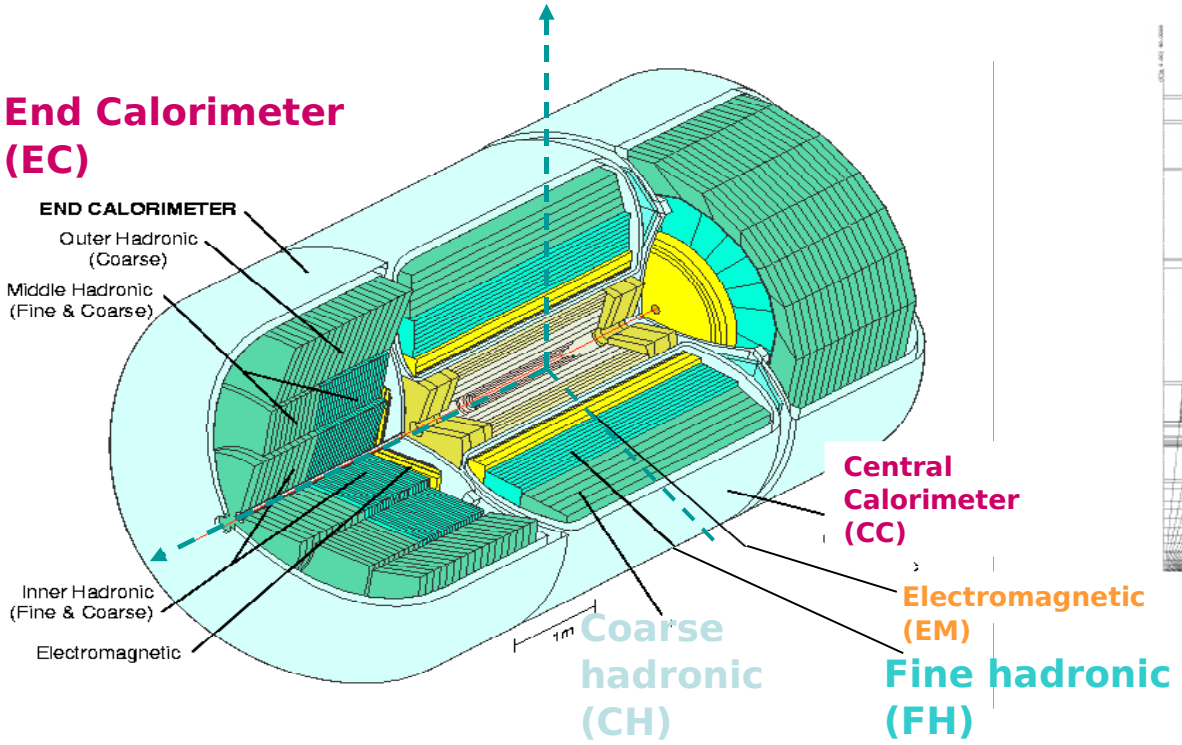
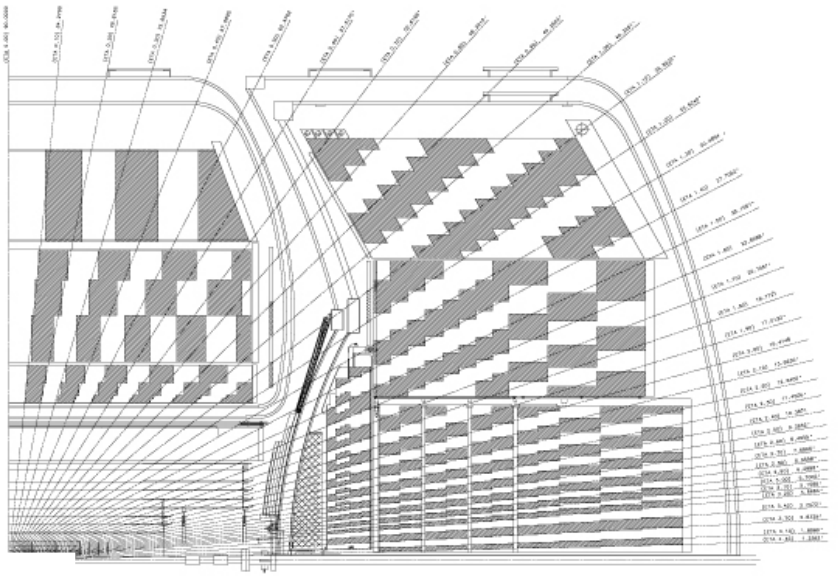
The upgraded Dzero detector



Overview of the calorimeter





46000 cells

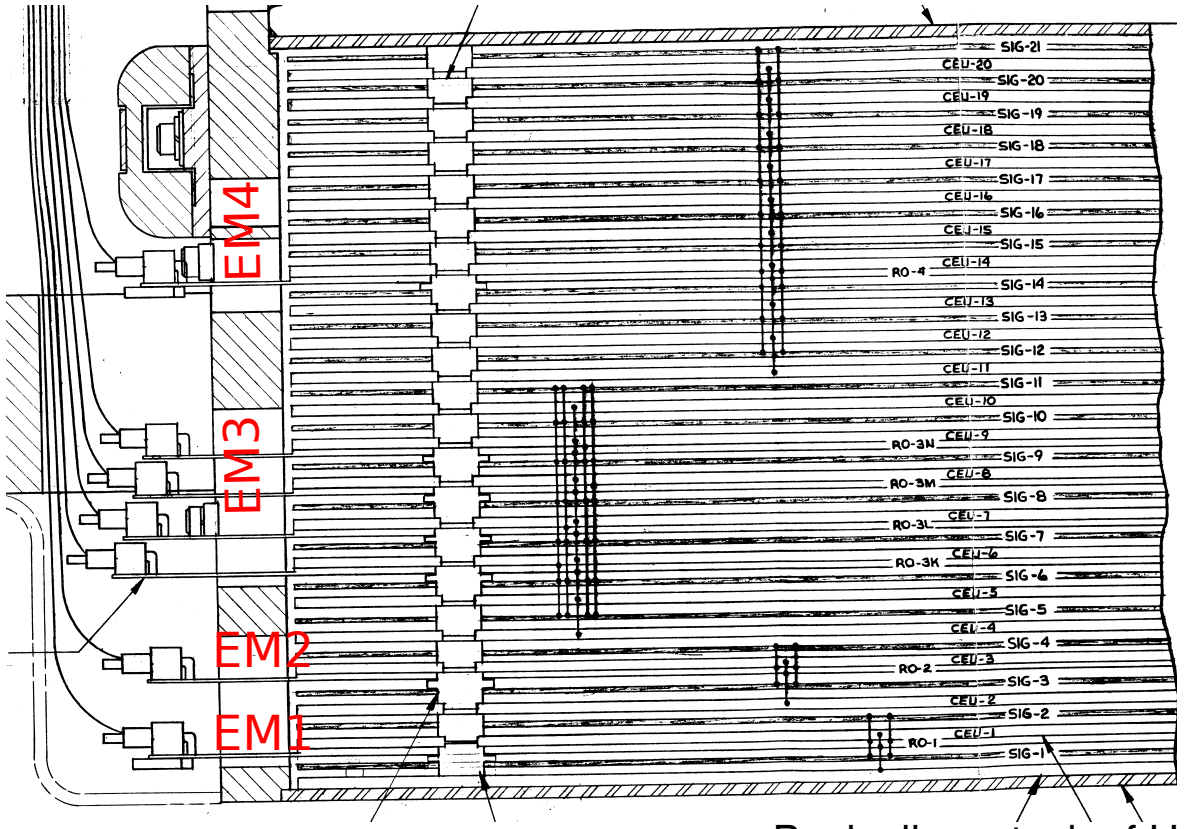
50 dead channels

- Liquid argon active medium and (mostly) uranium absorber
- Hermetic with full coverage :$|\eta| < 4.2$
- Segmentation (towers): $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\varphi = 0.1 \times 0.1$

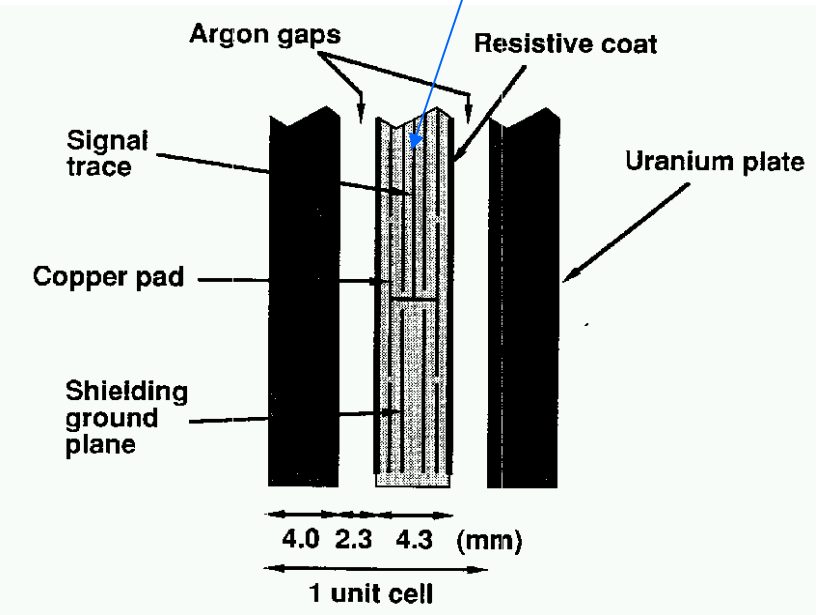
  (0.05x0.05 in third EM layer, near shower maximum)

This is a U/LAr sampling calorimeter

More detailled view of one CC-EM module :



One "*di-gap*" :



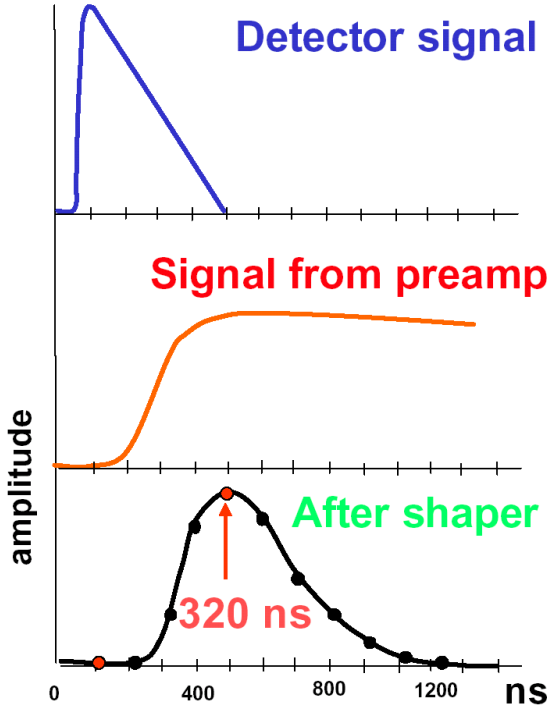
incident particle

Basically a stack of Uranium plates with liquid Argon in between. Shower develops in U and LAr (mainly U); charged shower particles ionise the Argon atoms => current in Argon because of HV applied across each gap. This current is measurable (thanks to electronic charge amplifiers with very large gain).

EM1, EM2, EM3 and EM4 are read out separately; each one of these layers regroups a number of digaps.

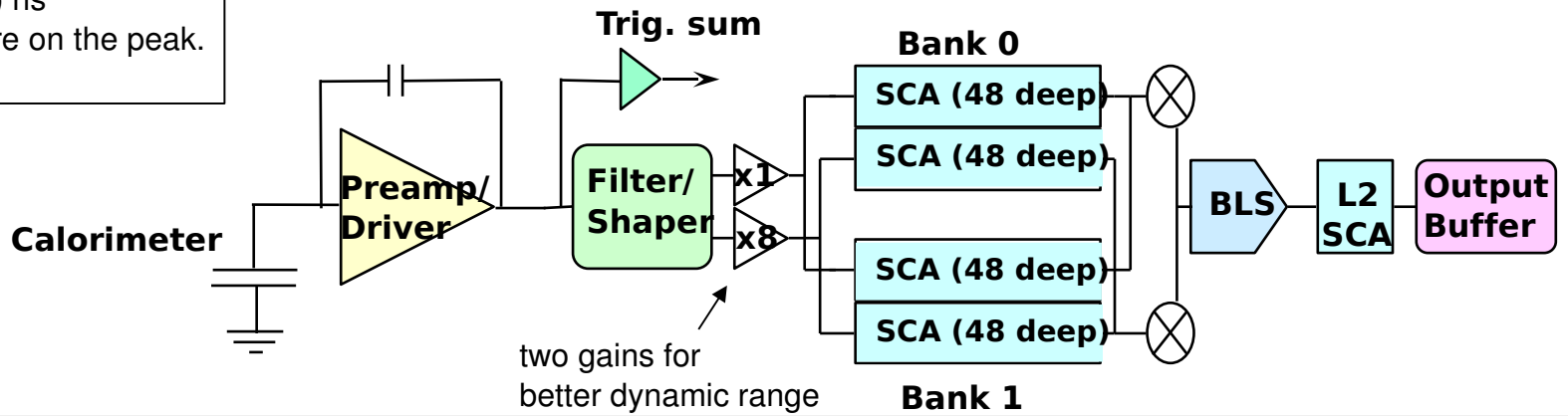
sampling fraction: 15 %

Basics of the readout



Have ability to sample and record the shaped signal also at (320 ± 120) ns to make sure we are on the peak.

- Detector signal ~ 450 ns long
  (bunch crossing time: 396 ns)
- Charge preamplifiers
- BLS (baseline subtraction) boards
  - short shaping of ~2/3 of integrated signal
  - signal sampled and stored every 132 ns in analog buffers (SCA) waiting for L1 trigger
  - samples retrieved on L1 accept, then baseline subtraction to remove pile-up and low frequency noise
  - signal retrieved after L2 accept
- Digitisation

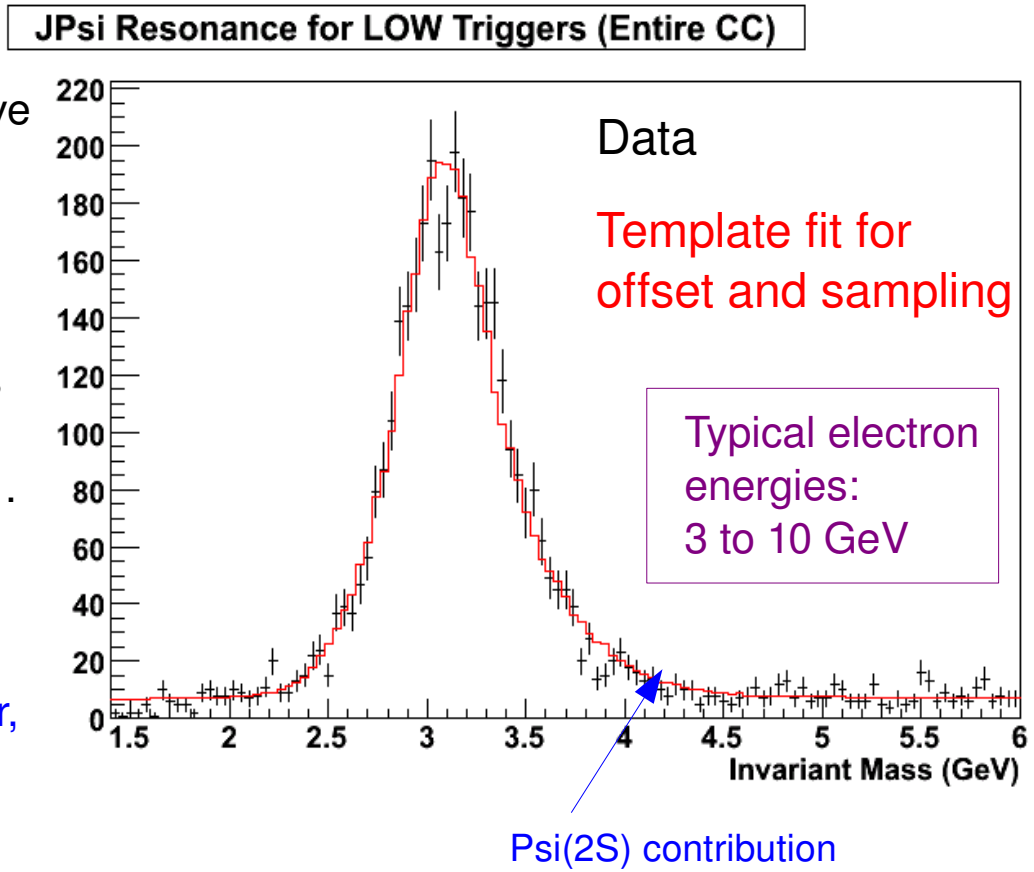


$J/\Psi \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

Fortunately, when I said "*extrapolation*" down to the W, that was not the whole story. We also have another di-electron resonance that sits **lower** in energy than the W: the J/Ψ.

At a hadron collider, such a sample is *extremely* hard to obtain. One of the keys to our success is D0's excellent *Central Track Trigger*. It allows us to trigger on isolated tracks already at Level 1. We typically require two tracks of $p_T > 3$ GeV.

It took us many many person-months to obtain this sample: design/implementation of the trigger, understanding efficiencies, etc, etc.



In contrast to the Z, the energy resolution at J/Ψ energies is practically insensitive to issues with gain calibration (the constant term in the energy resolution is irrelevant). The J/Ψ is a nice probe for sampling fluctuations and scale issues related to dead material.

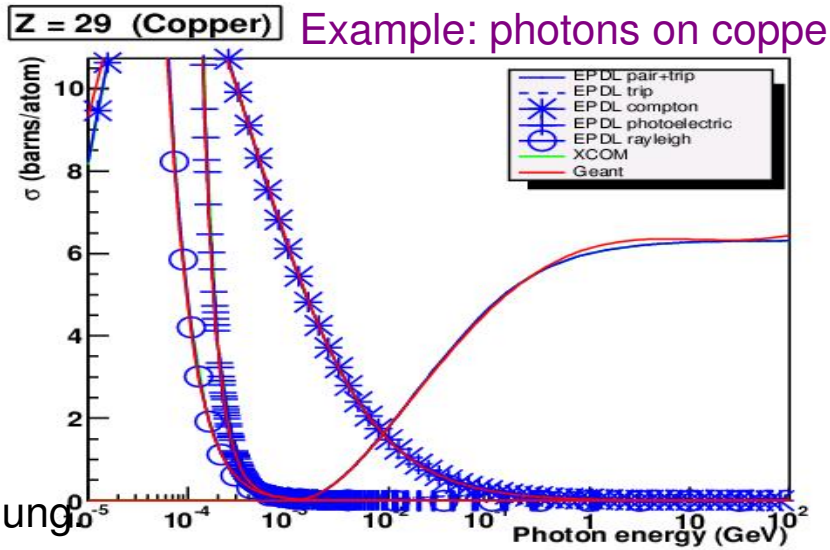
Cross-sections: QED is easy, right ?

But in practice these calculations involve time-consuming Hartree-Fock calculations, partial wave expansions, etc, etc.

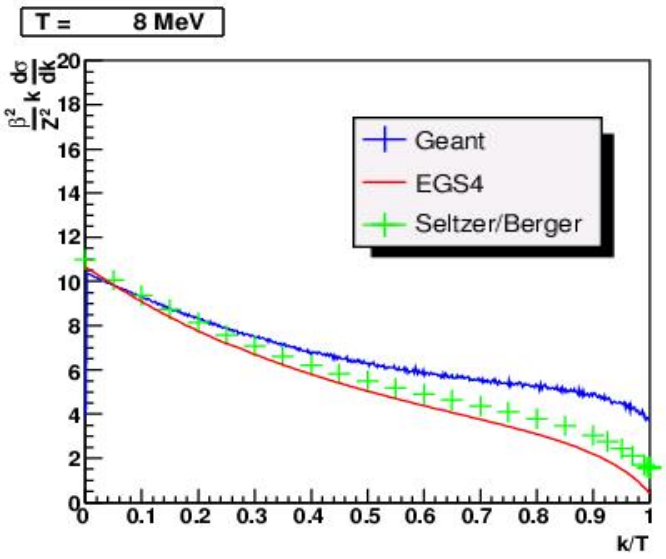
In addition, popular simulation programs (like Geant or EGS) often use simplified models or simple parameterisations of cross sections in order to avoid large look-up tables and to implement fast random number techniques.

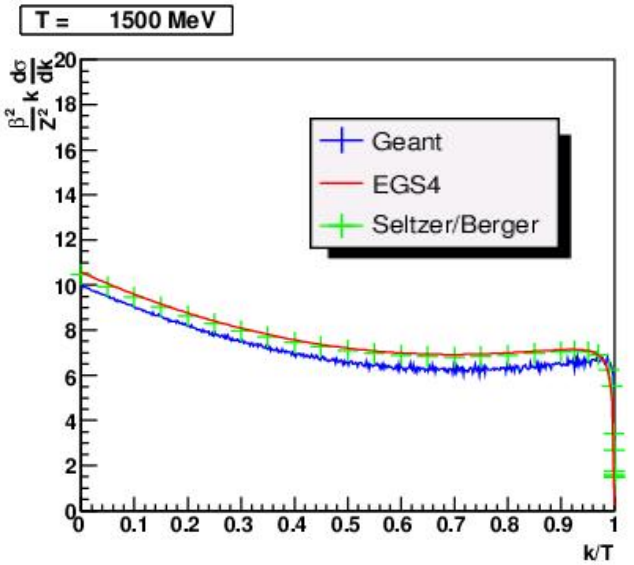
A detailed comparison of Geant and EGS to state-of-the-art cross section calculations is striking, especially for Bremsstrahlung.

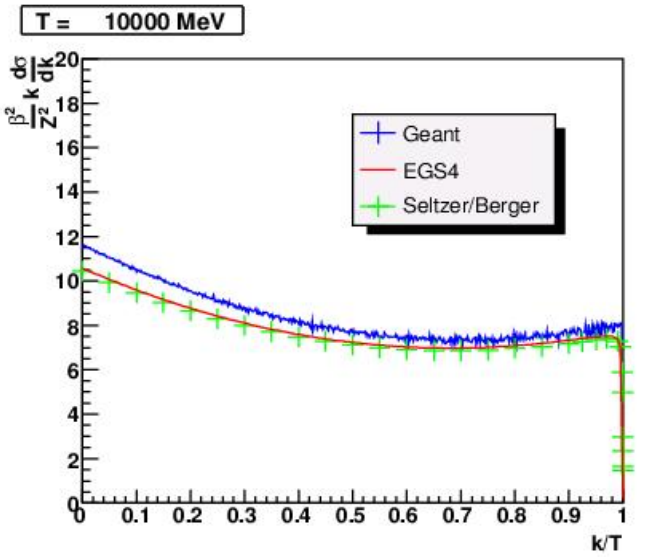
Example: photons on copper



Example: Bremsstrahlung in by electrons in uranium







T = kinetic energy of incident electron k = energy of the radiated photon

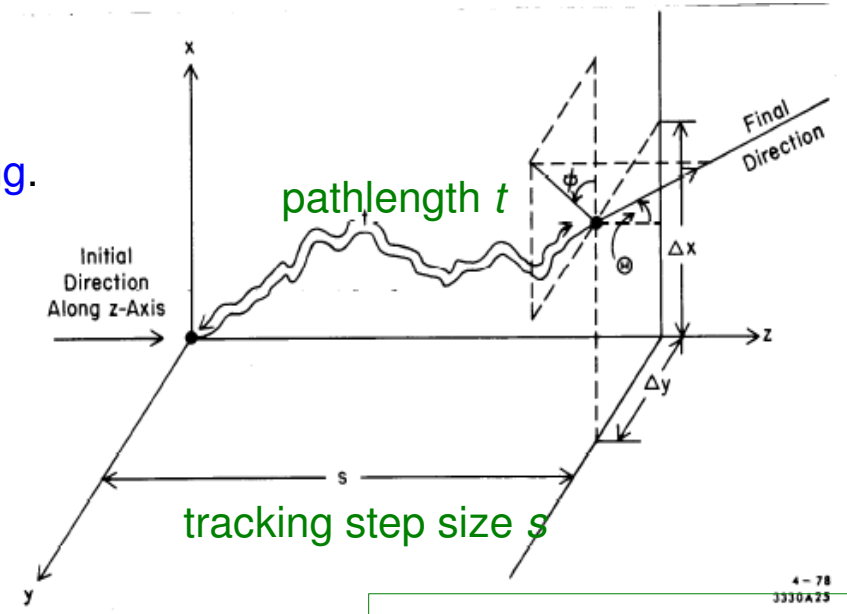
Pathlength correction in e-tracking

In a nutshell:

- There are various parameters in Geant particle tracking. These include things like the “maximum fractional energy loss in one step” and the “shortest step size Geant is willing to take”.

- We use Geant in AUTO mode, *i.e.* Geant choses the values of the parameters for us.

- Mulitiple scattering is simulated using Molière theory. That theory provides predictions (PDFs) for things like the scattering angles defined in the plot on the right. It also provides the *pathlength correction* (predict *t* for a given *s*).



The tracking algorithm “thinks” in terms of *s*, but for dE/dx it calculates *t*.

- The formula for the pathlength correction is only valid for small steps *s* (a precise definition for “small” is provided by the theory).

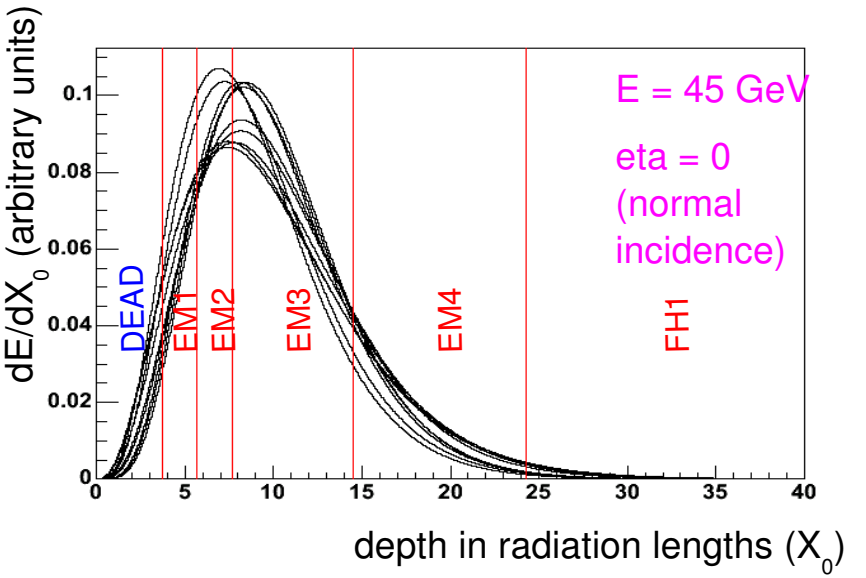
- As it turns out, already at high energies (1 MeV level), the upper limit on *s* from Molière theory is **inconsistent** with the lower limit on *s* chosen by Geant (to conserve CPU).

- Geant choses to not say anything, take the large step anyway, and not apply the pathlegth correction. At 400 keV the correction should be of the order of 3; it rises for lower energies.

Energy-dependence and fluctuations

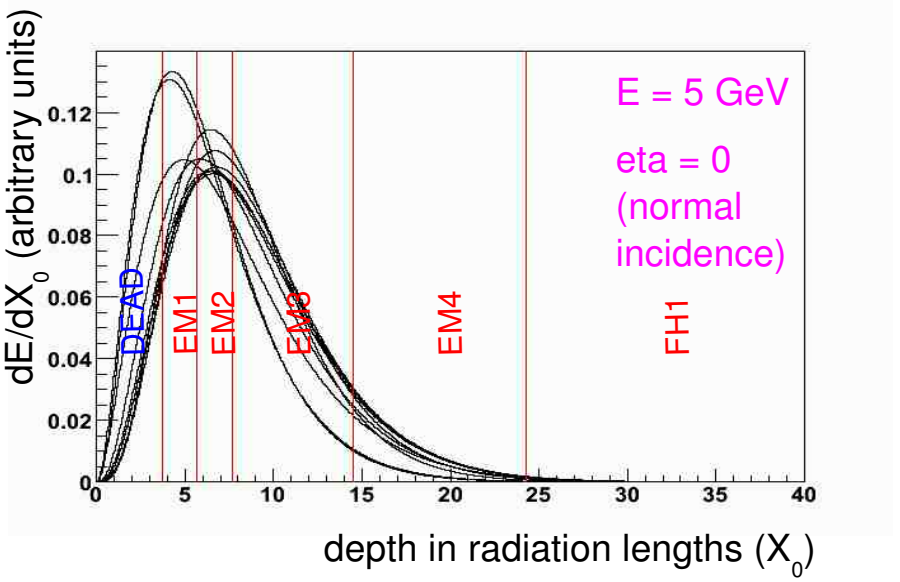
The plots on the previous slide show the *average* shower profile at E = 45 GeV.
The plot on the right is basically the same, except that it includes typical *shower fluctuations*.

=> The fraction of energy lost in the dead material varies from shower to shower.



The bottom plot illustrates the situation at a different, lower, energy. The position of the shower maximum (in terms of X_0) varies approximately like ln(E).

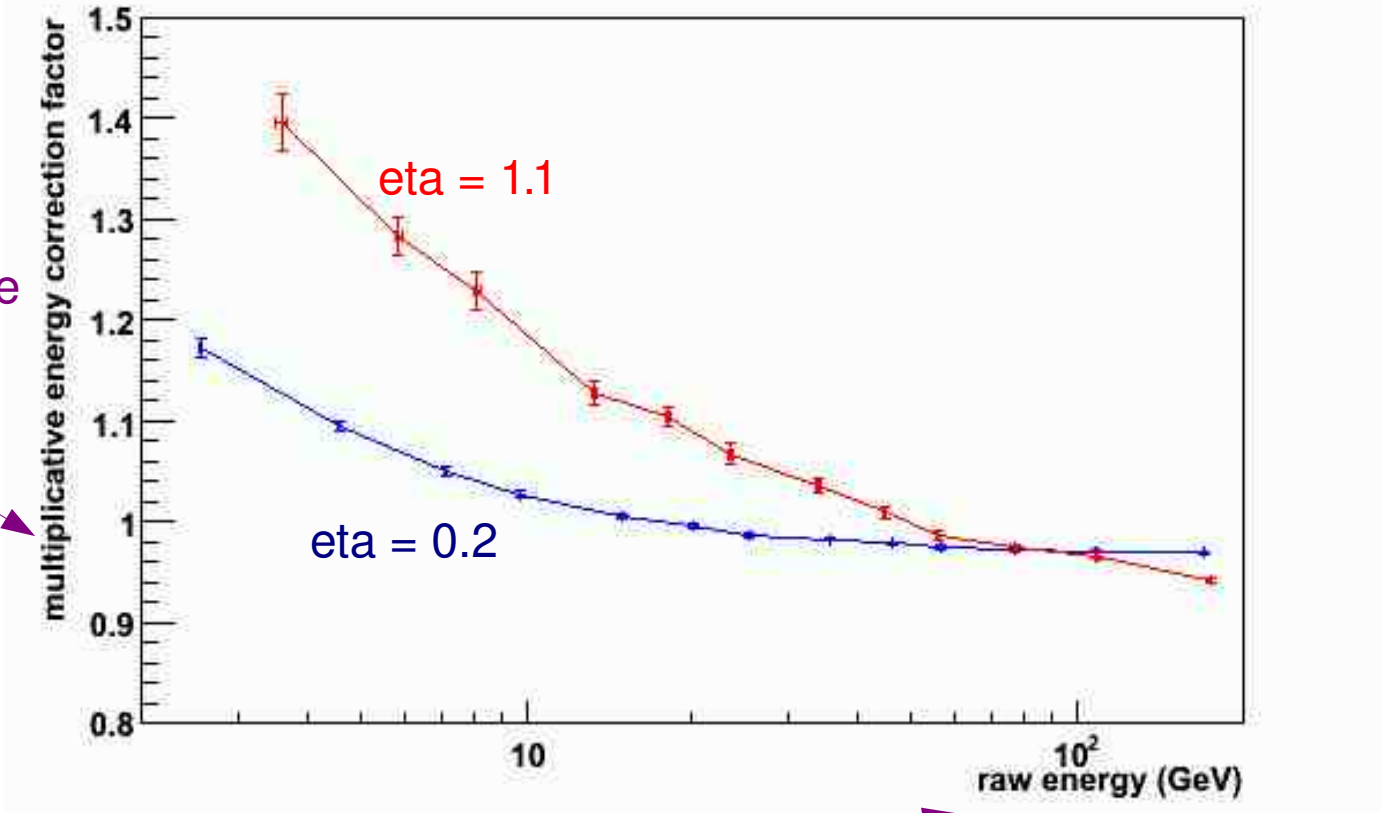
=> The average fraction of energy lost in dead material, as well as the relative importance of shower-by-shower fluctuations depend on the energy of the incident electron.



Average response ...

So we need to apply an energy-loss correction to our reconstructed electron energies to account for the energy lost in front of the calorimeter. This correction, as a function of energy and angle (eta) is estimated using detailed detector simulations based on Geant.

This is the energy correction factor that gets us back to the energy of the incident electron.



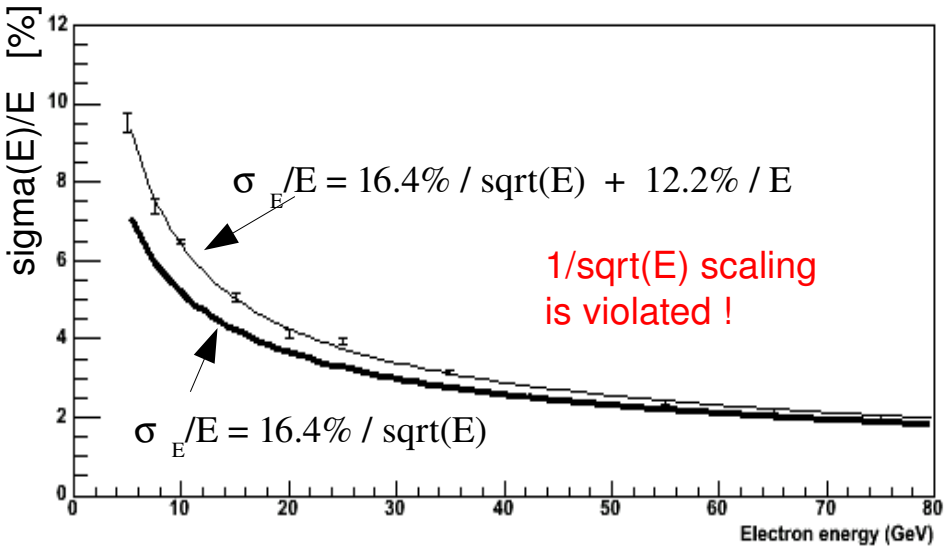
This is the energy as reconstructed in the CAL.

Knowing the amount of dead material is the key to energy response linearity:
Measure amount of dead material *in situ* using electrons from $Z \rightarrow e\ e$.

... and fluctuations around the average

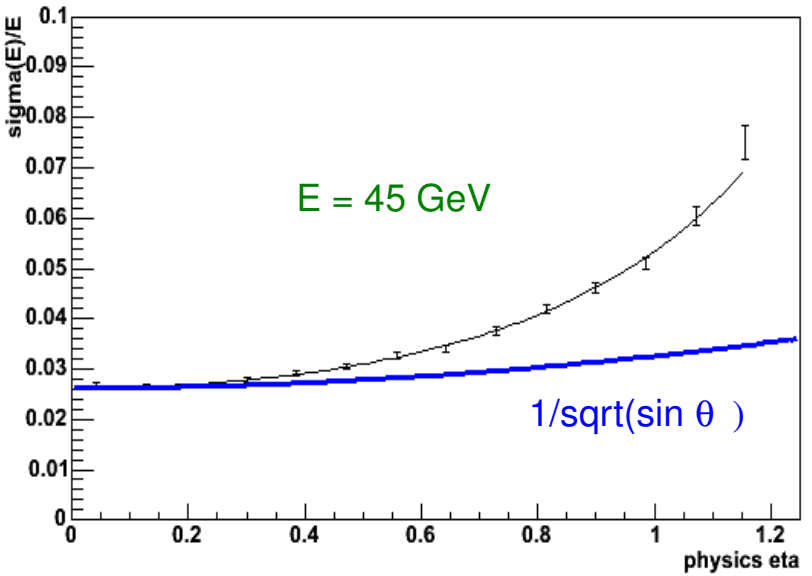
Here we show the impact on the energy resolution for electrons. This is again from a detailled detector simulation based on Geant.

Resolution at normal incidence, as a function of electron energy:



for an ideal sampling calorimeter (no dead material) one would expect this to scale as 1/sqrt(E)

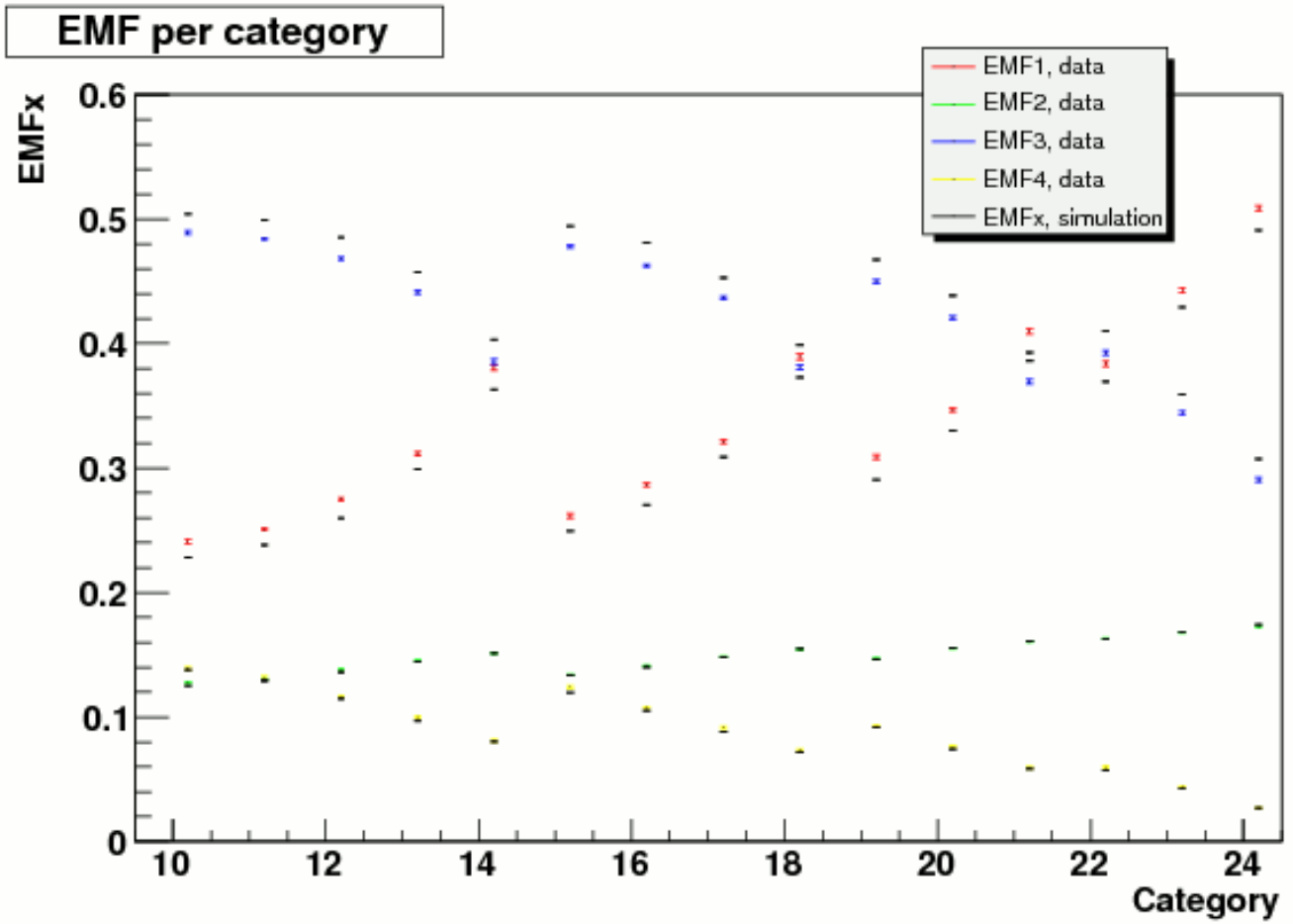
Resolution at E = 45 GeV, as a function of the angle of incidence (eta):



for an ideal sampling calorimeter (no dead material) one would expect this to be almost flat

EM fractions in $Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ events

Use electrons from Z -> e e, plot mean fractional energy deposit in each one of the EM layers. Separate the events into the standard categories in physics eta. The plot below shows each of the four EM fractions for each of the 15 categories.



Data:

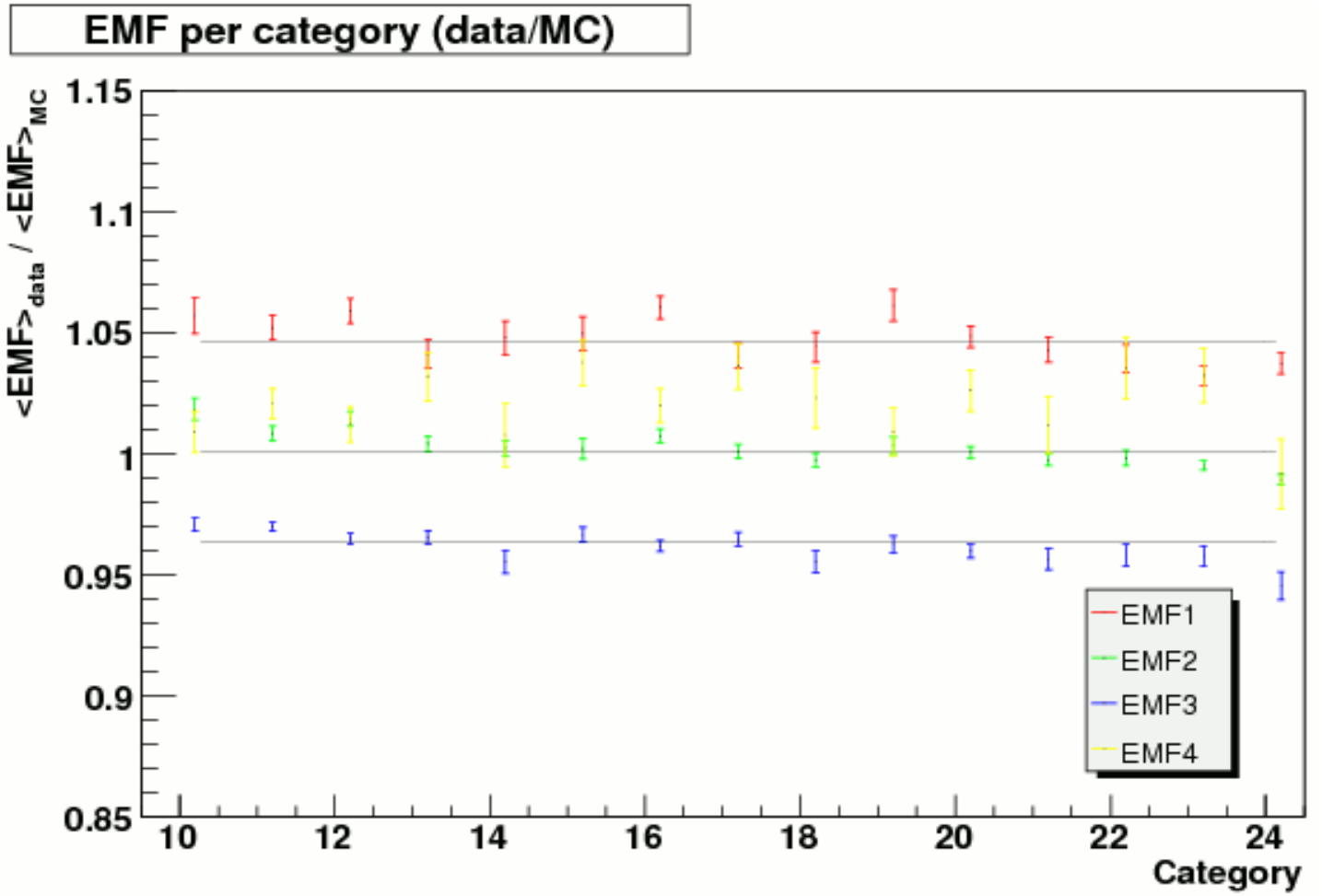
EM1
EM2
EM3
EM4

Monte Carlo (no fudge material):

black

This is a busy plot that can be tricky to read. Let's look at the data/MC ratios instead (on the next slide).

EM fractions in $Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ events

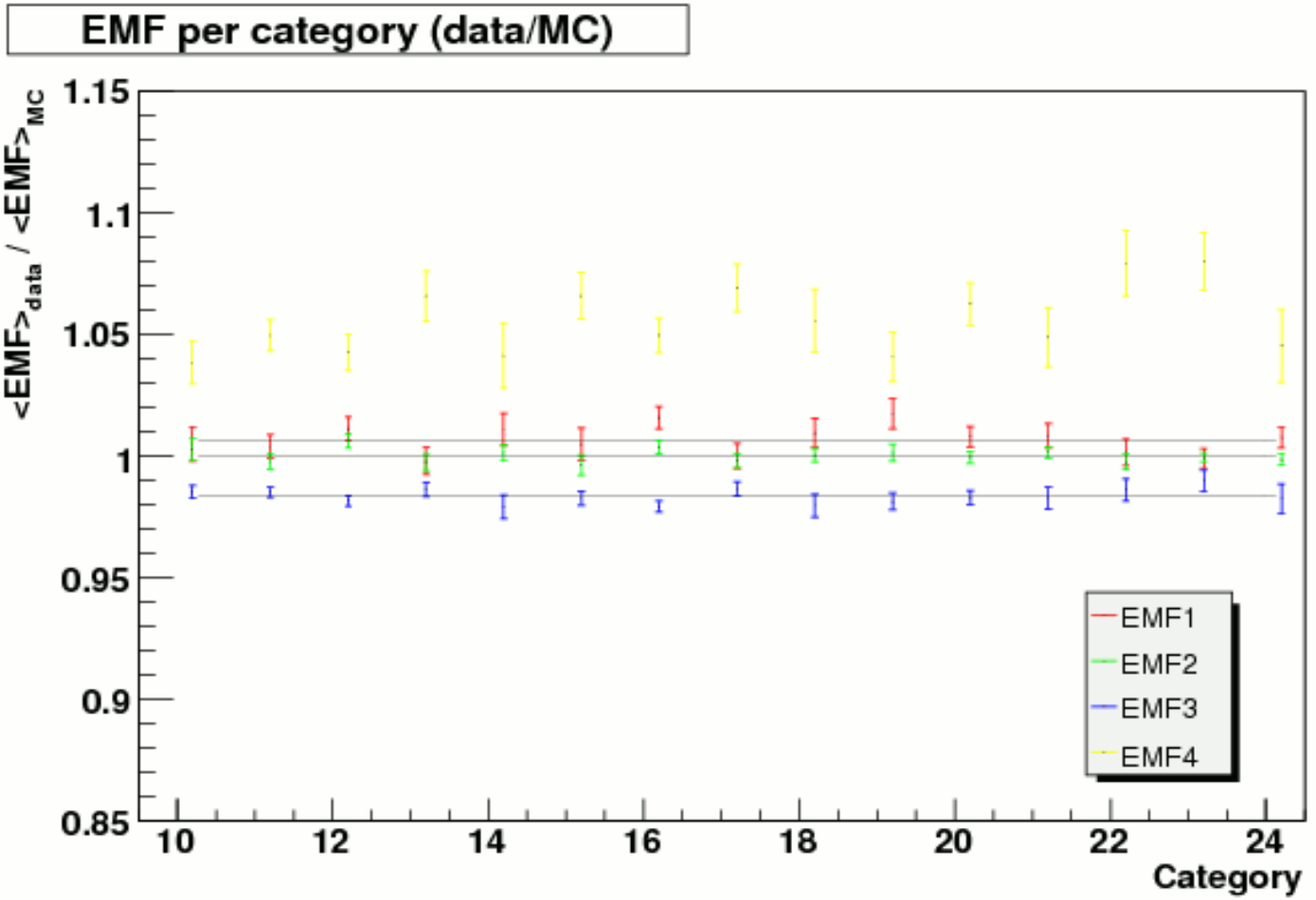


Data / Monte Carlo (MC without fudge material):

EM1
EM2
EM3
EM4

Clear trends are visible, especially for EM1 and EM3.
Also, the excursions away from unity are pretty large. Part of the mean per-layer excursion could be explained by the layers not being properly calibrated with respect to each other, but deviations of O(5 %) are not really expected.

EM fractions in $Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ events



Data / Monte Carlo (MC with 0.16 X_0 fudging):

EM1
EM2
EM3
EM4

Certainly less trendy than with the nominal detector geometry.

The layers that receive the bulk of the energy (EM1, EM2 and EM3) are also much closer to unity.

Dzero Run I

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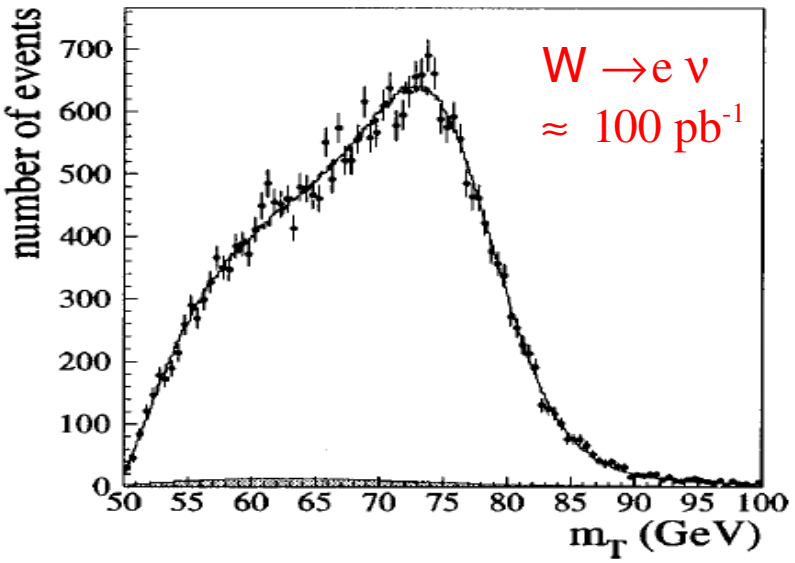
Observable: "transverse mass"

$$M_T = \sqrt{2E_T^l \not{E}_T (1 - \cos\Delta\phi)}$$

Relatively robust against uncertainties in physics model.



Model detector effects using parameters "from data" (and a lot of hypotheses).

Generate M_T templates for different M_T points -> likelihood fit.

Understanding the detector behaviour, based mainly on Z → e e and Ψ → e e calibration samples, is crucial.

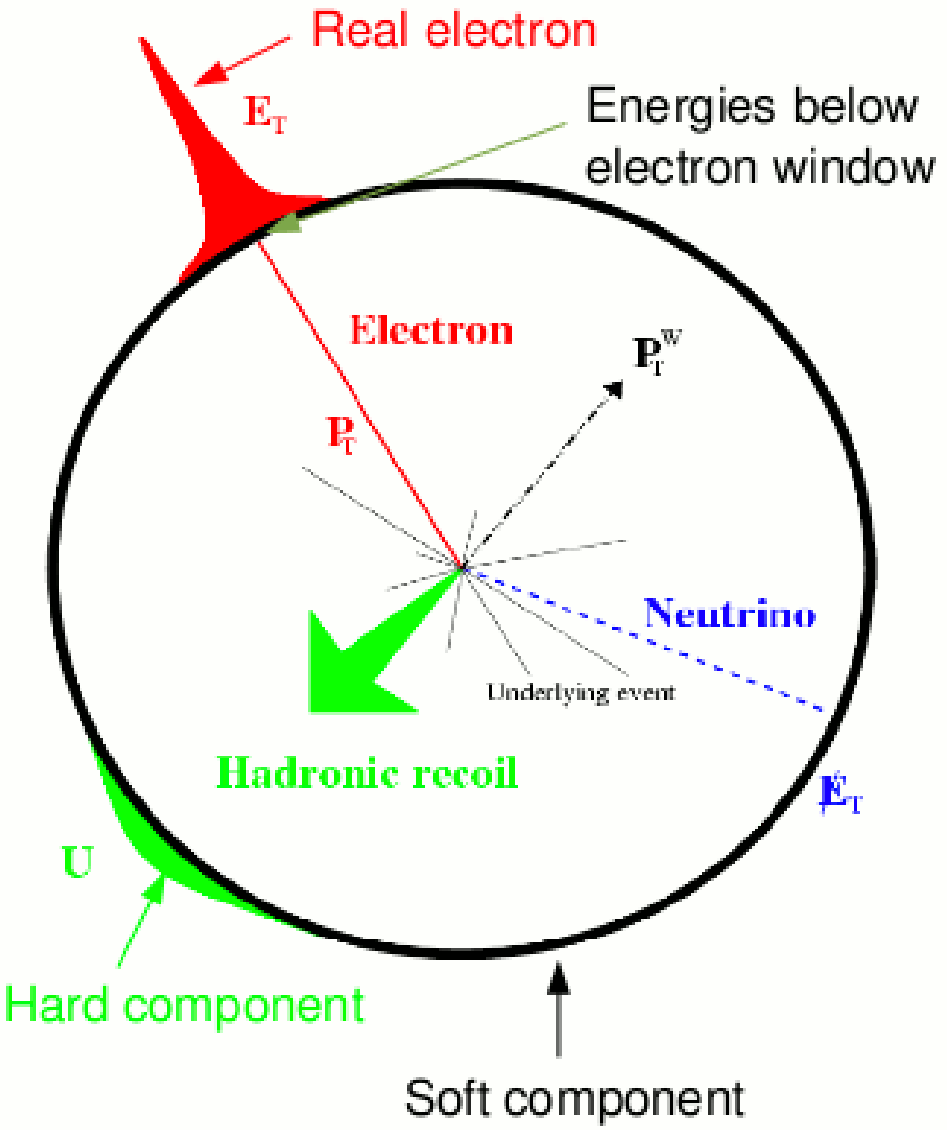
Uncertainties

Stat.	m_T fit (MeV)	$p_T(e)$ fit (MeV)	$p_T(\nu)$ fit (MeV)
W sample	70	85	105
Z sample	65	65	65
Total	95	105	125

"Detector understanding"	m_T fit (MeV)	$p_T(e)$ fit (MeV)	$p_T(\nu)$ fit (MeV)
Calorimeter linearity	20	20	20
Calorimeter uniformity	10	10	10
Electron resolution	25	15	30
Electron angle calibration	30	30	30
Electron removal	15	15	20
Selection bias	5	10	20
Recoil resolution	25	10	90
Recoil response	20	15	45
Total	60	50	115

"Production and decay model"	m_T fit (MeV)	$p_T(e)$ fit (MeV)	$p_T(\nu)$ fit (MeV)
$p_T(W)$ spectrum	10	50	25
Parton distribution functions	20	50	30
Parton luminosity β	10	10	10
Radiative decays	15	15	15
W width	10	10	10
Total	30	75	45

Switching gears: recoil model



Recoil model

Recoil vector in parameterised MC: $\vec{u}_T = \vec{u}_T^{\,\mathrm{Hard}} + \vec{u}_T^{\,\mathrm{Soft}} + \vec{u}_T^{\,\mathrm{Elec}} + \vec{u}_T^{\,\mathrm{FSR}}$

$\vec{u}_T^{\,\mathrm{Hard}} = \vec{f}(\vec{q}_T)$

Hard component that balances the vector boson in transverse plane.
Ansatz from full $Z \to \nu\ \nu$ MC; plus free parameters for fine tuning,
e.g. multiplicative scale adjustment as function of q_T:

$$\mathtt{RelResp} = \mathtt{RelScale} + \mathtt{RelOffset} \cdot \exp \frac{-q_T}{\tau_{\mathtt{HAD}}}$$

$\vec{u}_T^{\,\mathrm{Soft}} = \alpha_{\mathrm{MB}} \cdot \vec{E}_T^{\,\mathrm{MB}} + \alpha_{\mathrm{ZB}} \cdot \vec{E}_T^{\,\mathrm{ZB}}$

Soft component,
not correlated with vector boson.

Two sub-components; - additional ppbar interactions and detector noise: from ZB events,
plus parameter for fine tuning
- spectator partons: from MB events, plus parameter for fine tuning

$\vec{u}_T^{\,\mathrm{Elec}} = -\sum_e \Delta u_{\parallel} \cdot \hat{p}_T(e)$

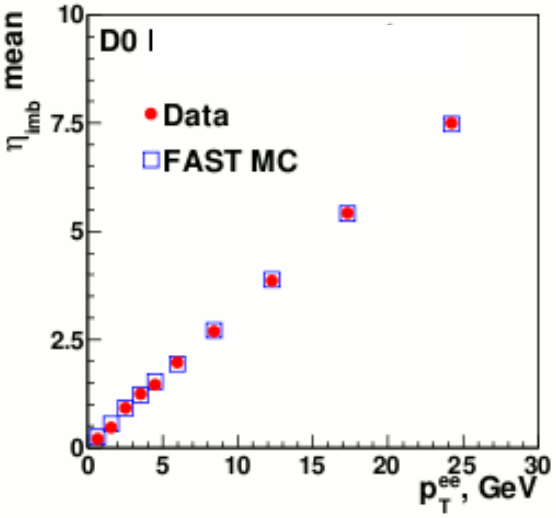
Recoil energy "lost" into the **electron cones**.
Electron energy leakage outside cluster.

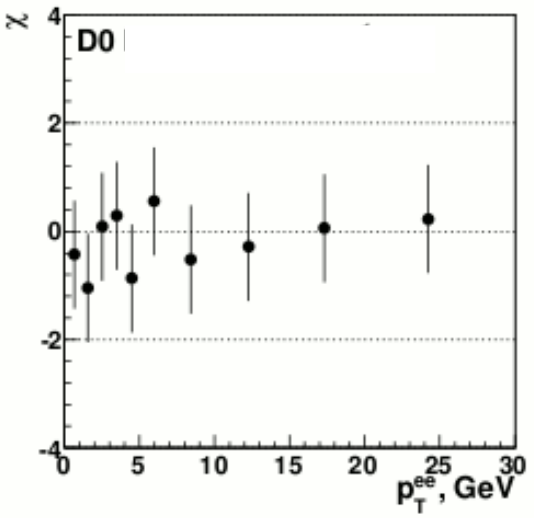
$\vec{u}_T^{\,\mathrm{FSR}} = \sum_\gamma \vec{p}_T(\gamma)$

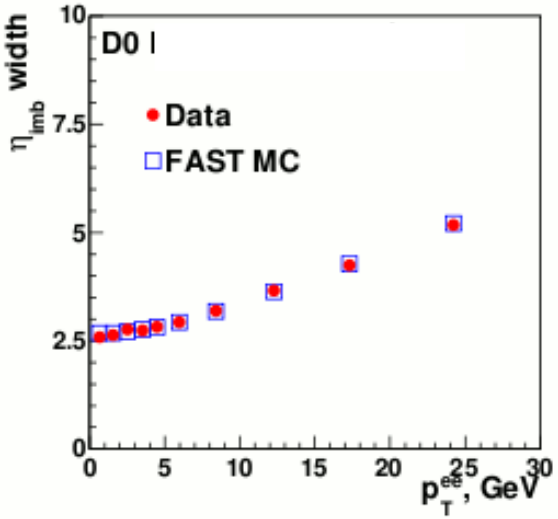
FSR photons (internal bremsstrahlung) outside cone;
includes detailed response model.

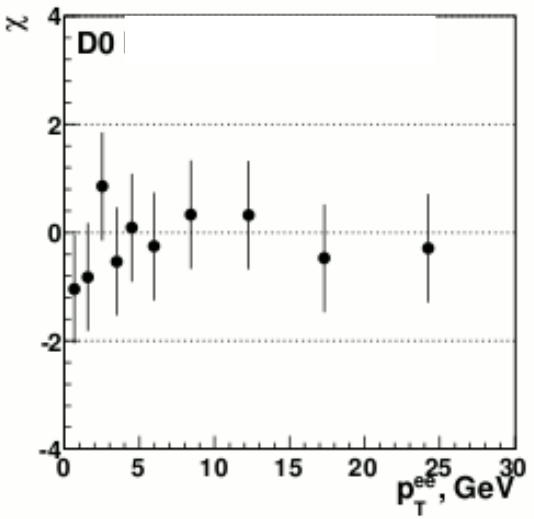
Recoil calibration

Final adjustment of free parameters in the recoil model is done *in situ* using balancing in Z → e e events and the standard UA2 observables.





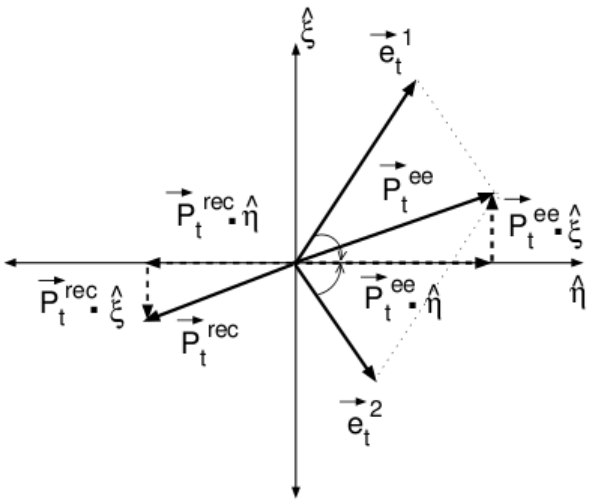




UA2 observables:
In transverse plane, use a coordinate system defined by the bisector of the two electron momenta.

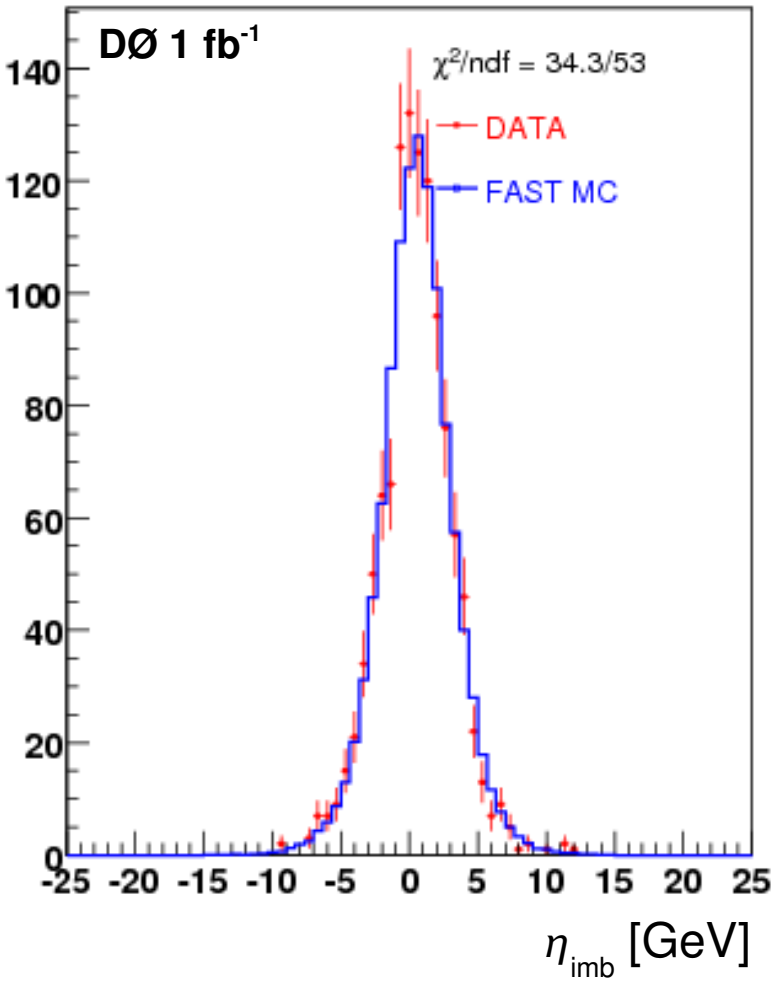
$$\eta\text{-imbalance} : (\vec{P}_t^{\,ee} + \vec{P}_t^{\,rec}) \cdot \hat{\eta}$$

$$\xi\text{-imbalance} : (\vec{P}_t^{\,ee} + \vec{P}_t^{\,rec}) \cdot \hat{\xi}$$

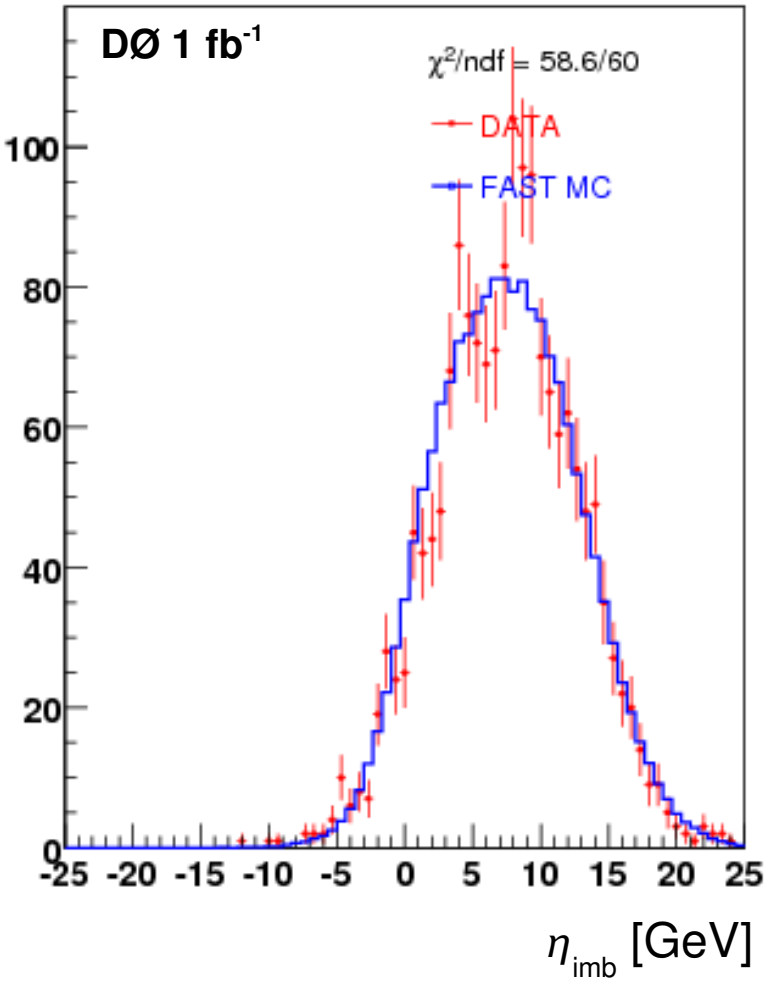


Examples: η_{imb} distributions

1 < p_T(ee) < 2 GeV



20 GeV < p_T(ee)



Electrons: energy resolution

Electron energy resolution is driven by two components:
sampling fluctuations and constant term

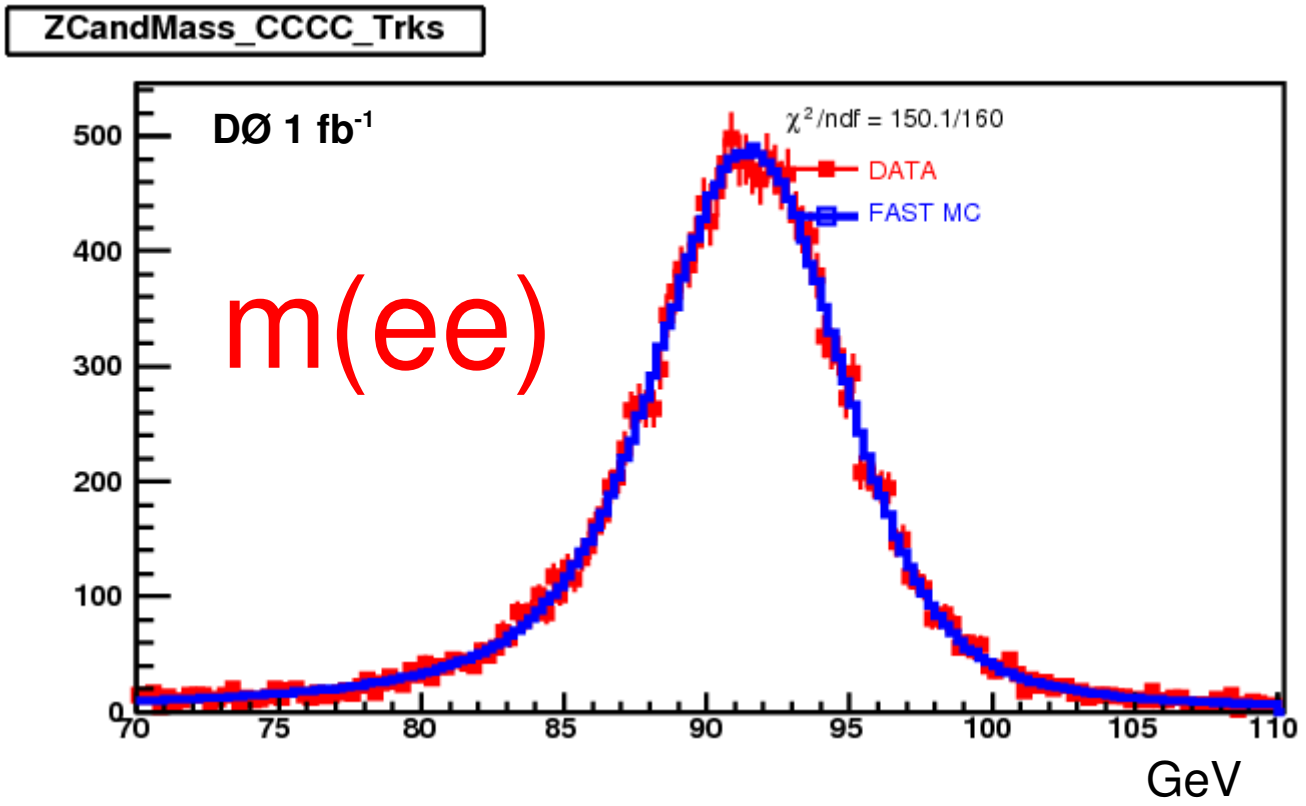
Sampling fluctuations are driven by sampling fraction of CAL modules (well known from simulation and testbeam) and by uninstrumented material. As discussed before, amount of material has been quantified with good precision.

Constant term is extracted from Z -> e e data (essentially fit to observed width of Z peak).

Result:

C = (2.05 ± 0.10) %

in excellent agreement with Run II design goal (2%)



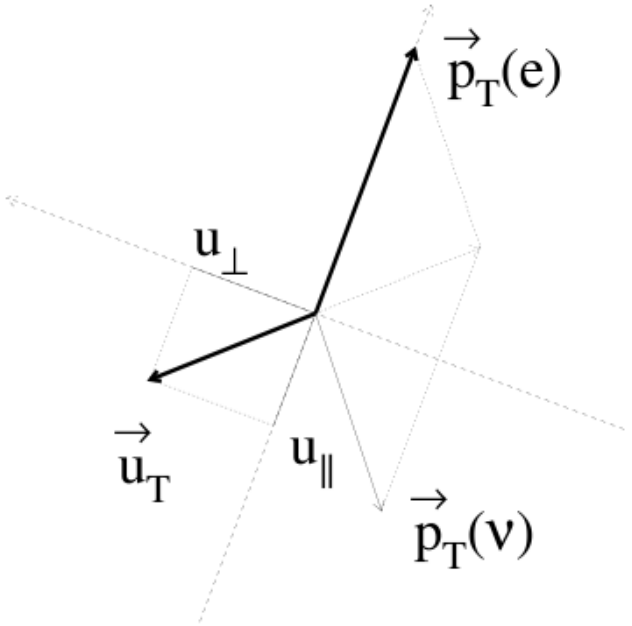
Electron reco efficiency model

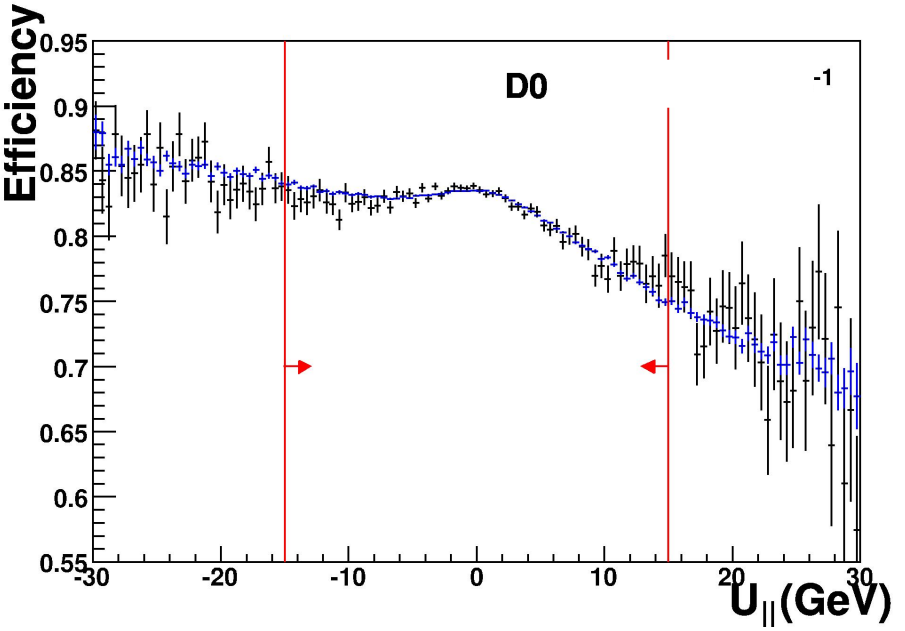
Efficiency model also takes into account relative orientation of electron and "rest of the event" (hadronic activity). For example:

- Efficiency corrections vs. $p_T(e)$ and scalar E_T.

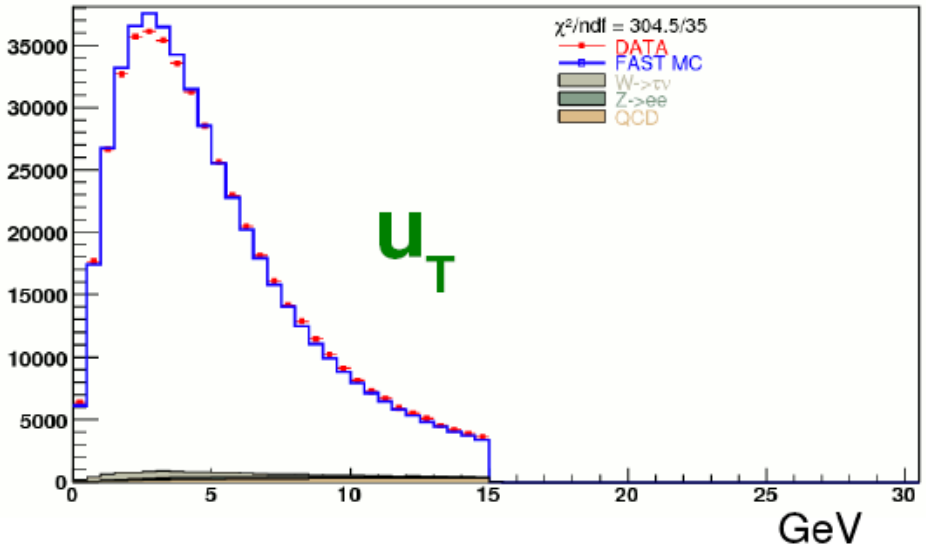
- Efficiency corrections vs. $u_{||}$.

Much of this level of detail is only necessary for a measurement of the W width, not the mass.





$W \rightarrow e\ \nu$ data WARNING !

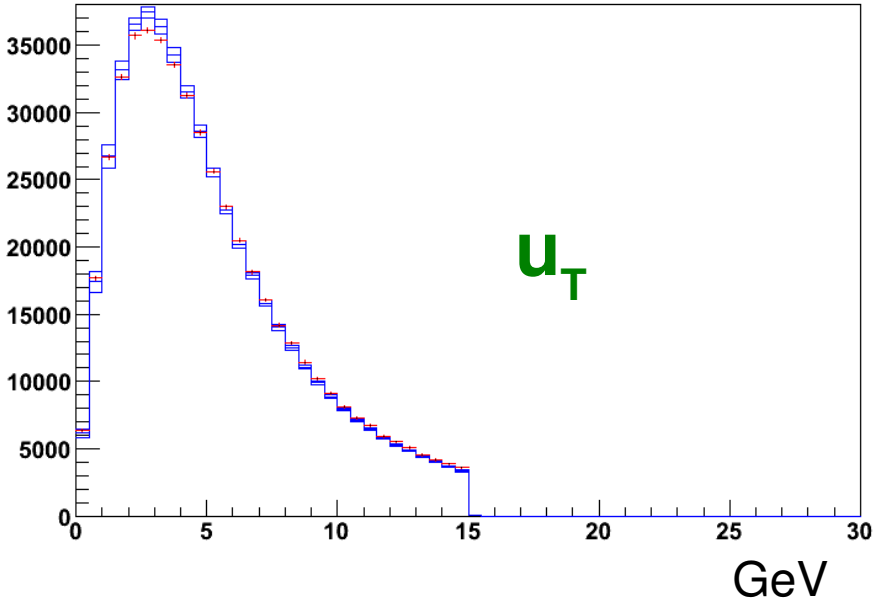


Data-MC apparently not in good agreement !

Error bars only reflect limited W statistics they do not reflect the much more limited **Z statistics** that have been used to calibrate the recoil model !

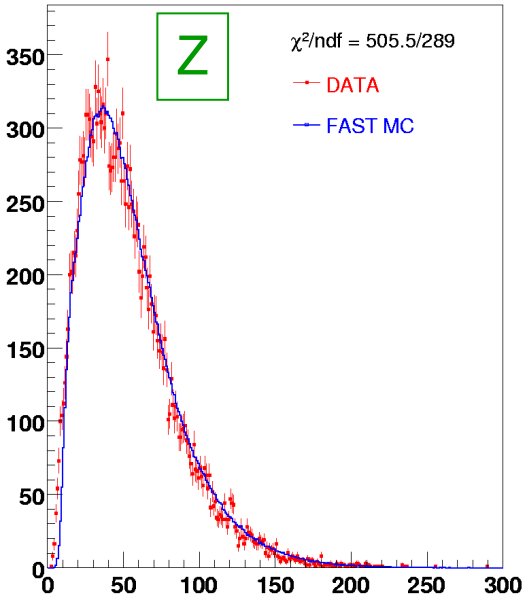
The blue band in the bottom plot reflects one sigma excursions in the recoil parameters.

→ **agreement is not so bad !**



$Z \rightarrow e\,e$ and $W \rightarrow e\,\nu$

Data in red
MC in blue



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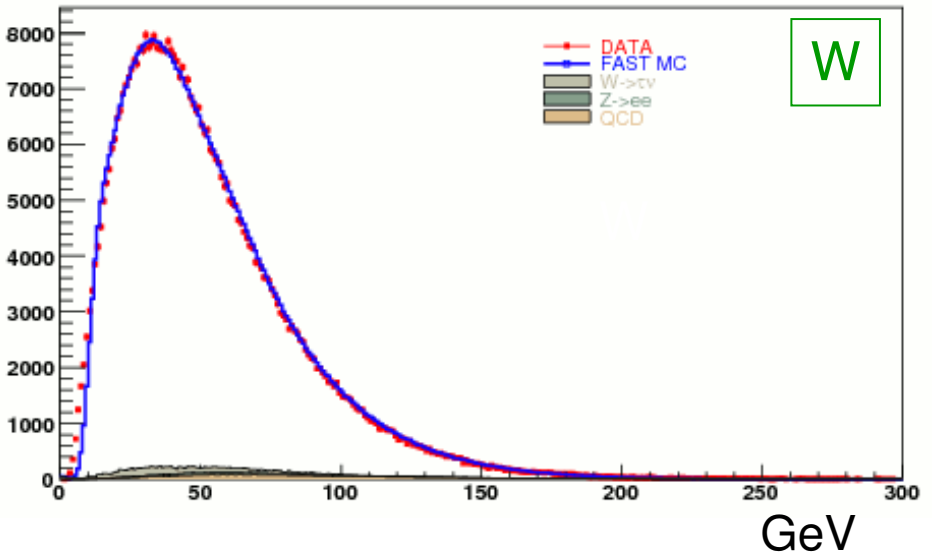
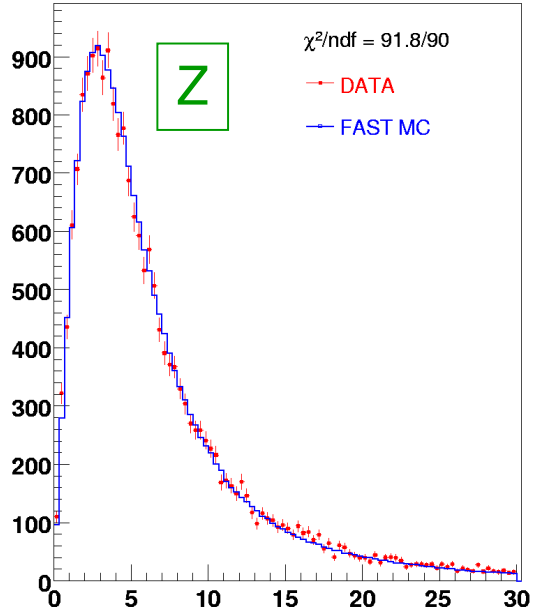
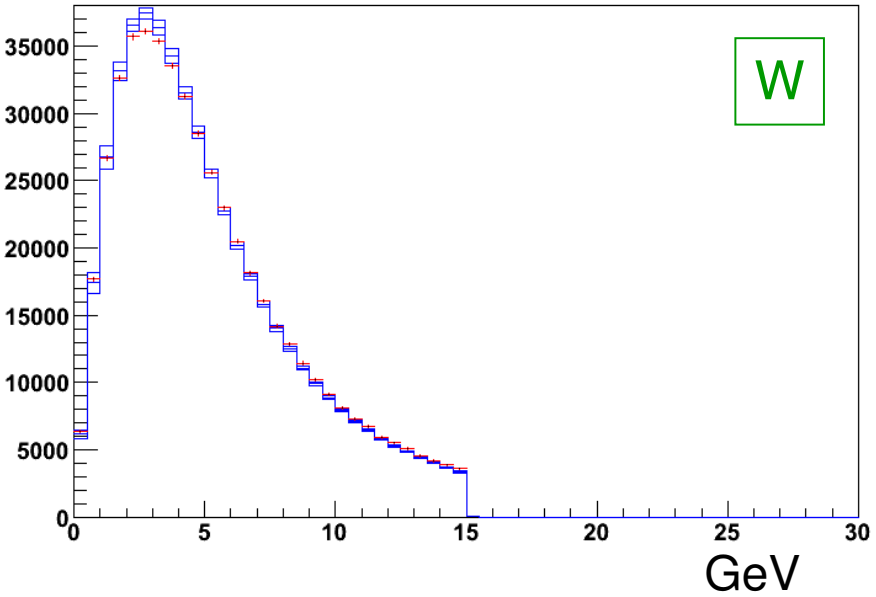




u_T



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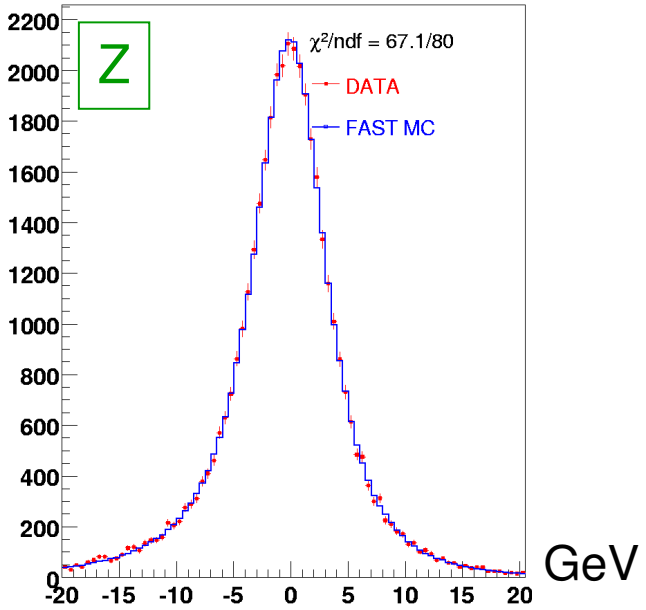
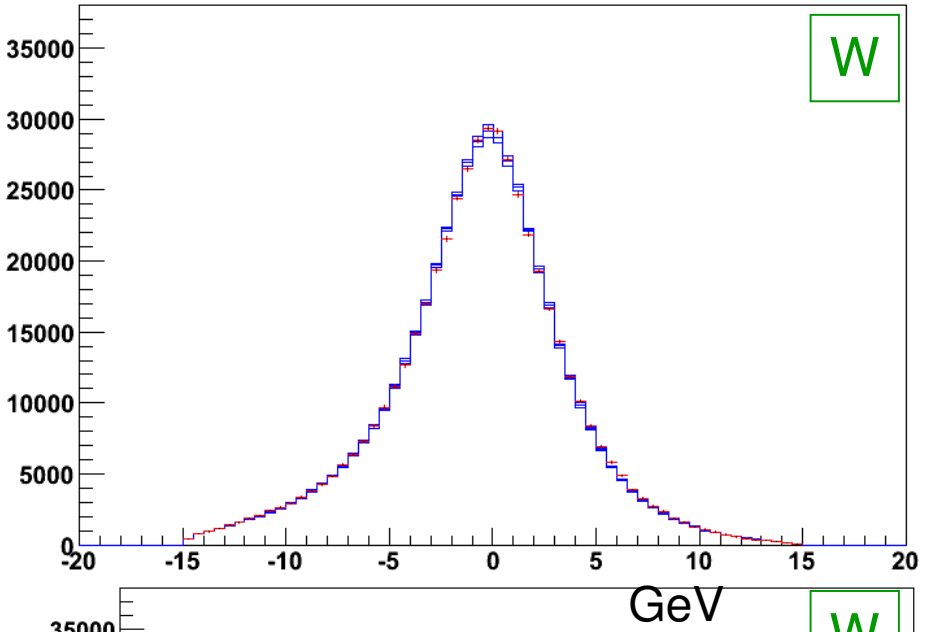
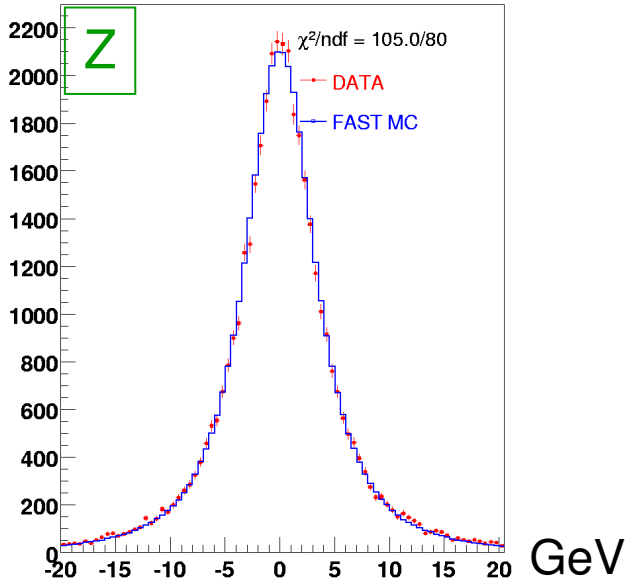
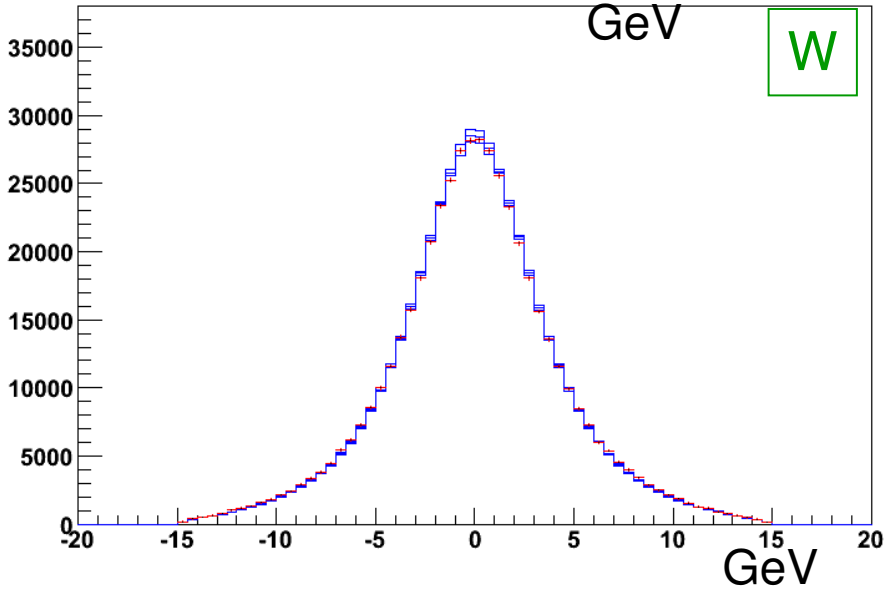


u_{para}

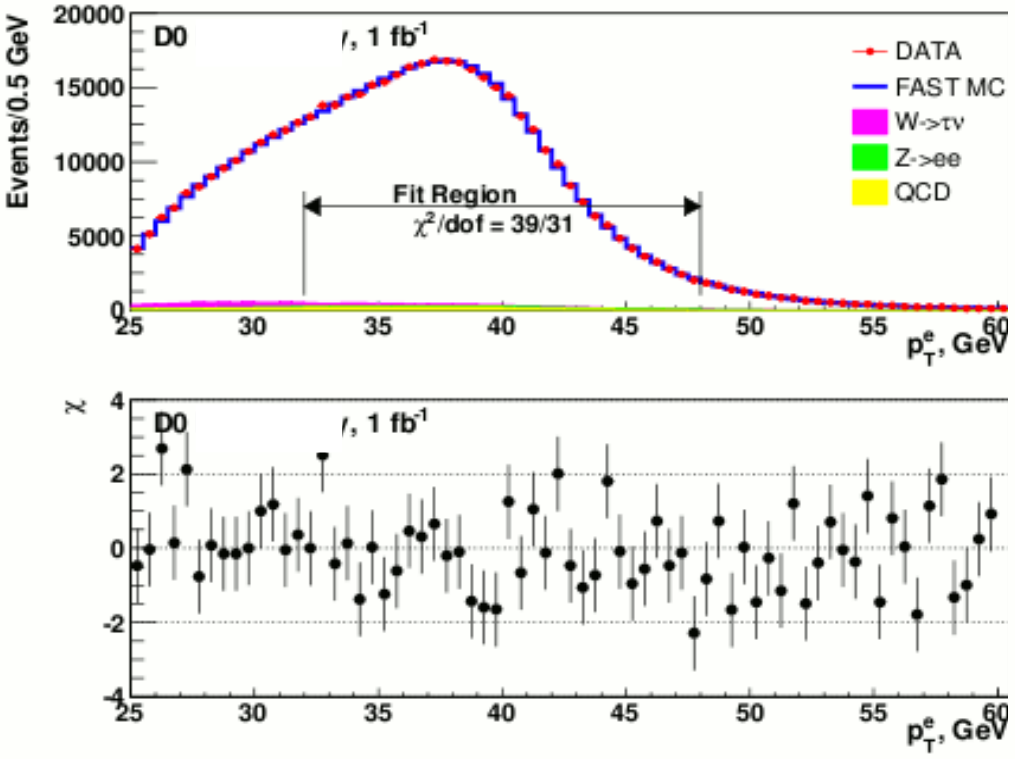


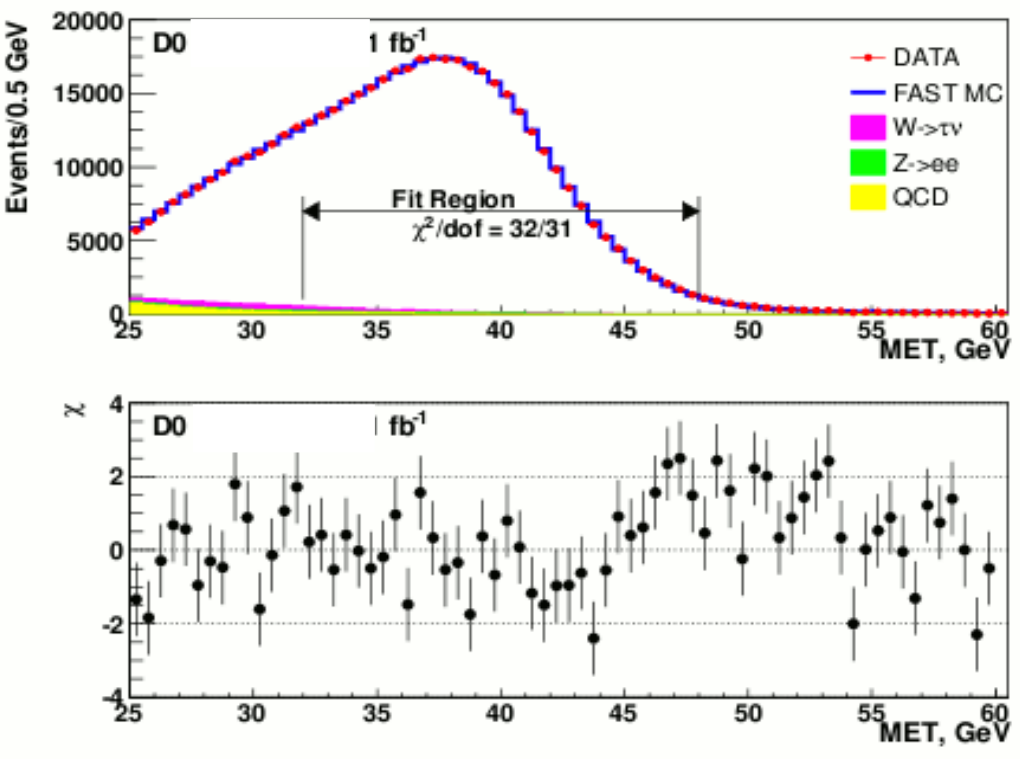


u_{perp}



Mass fits



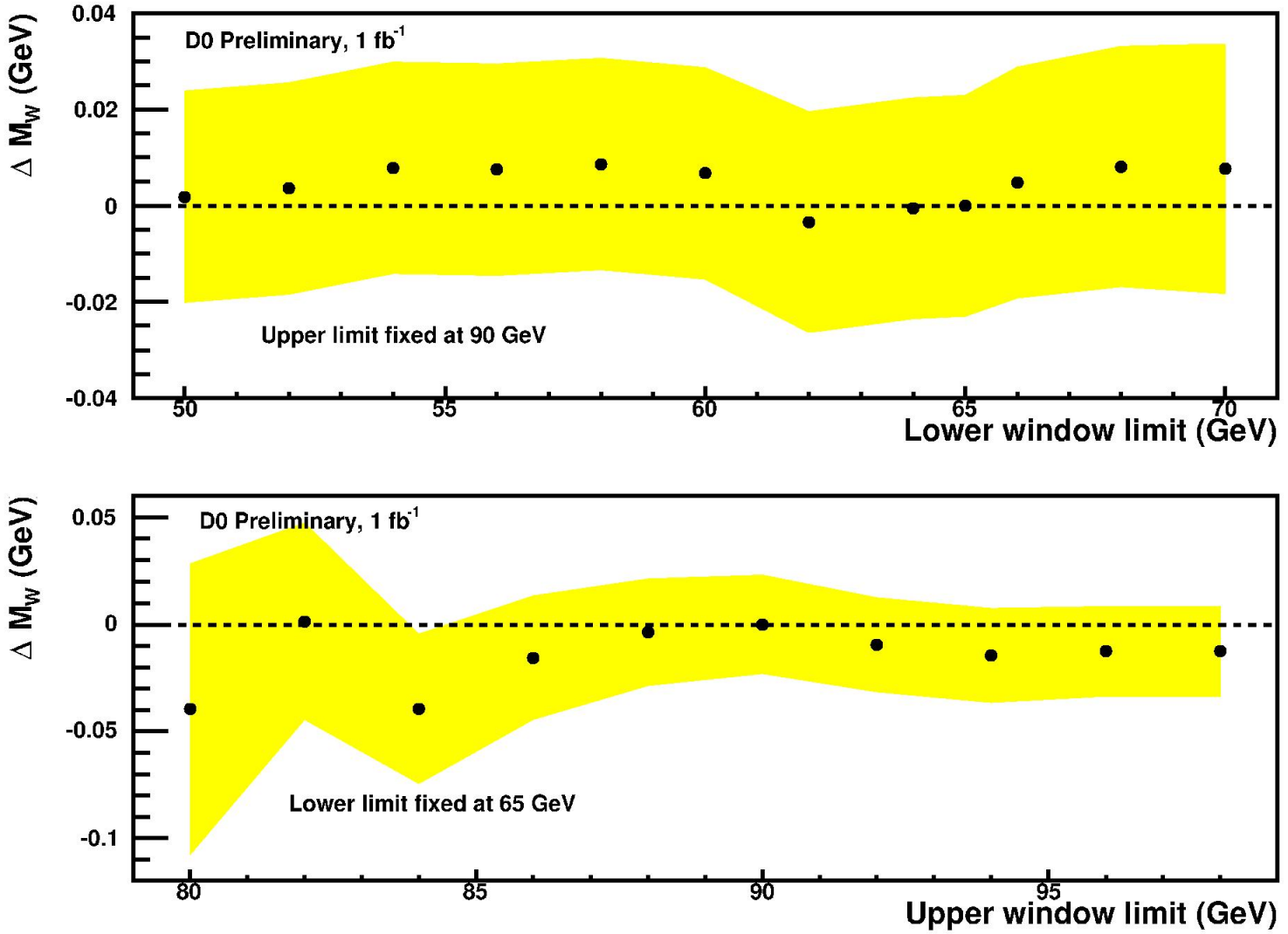


m(W) = 80.400 ± 0.027 GeV (stat)

m(W) = 80.402 ± 0.023 GeV (stat)

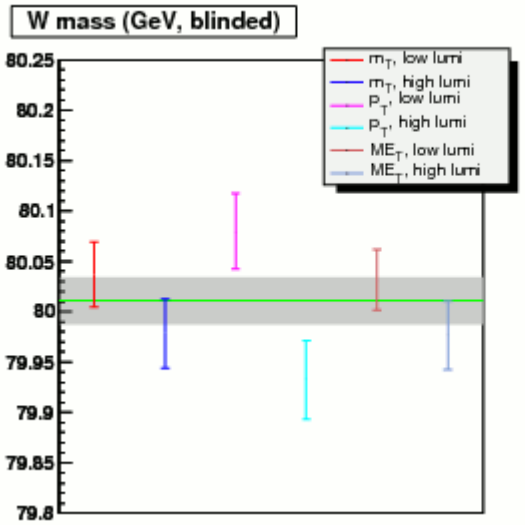
Stability checks

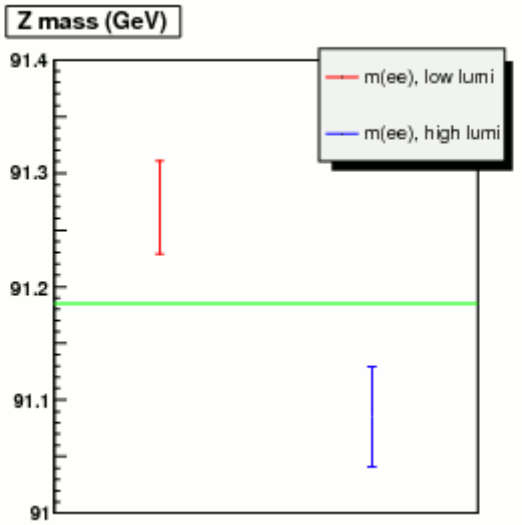
Changes in the fitted m_W when the fitting range (m_T observable) is varied.

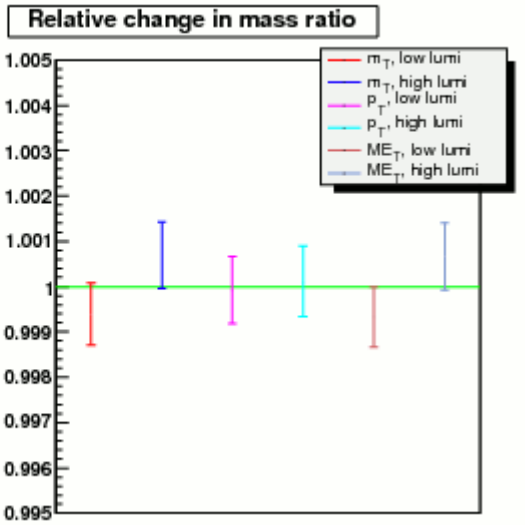


Stability checks

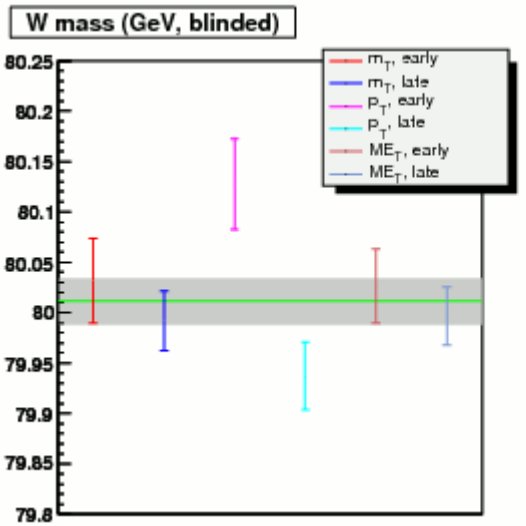
Instantaneous luminosity (split data into two subsets – high and low inst. luminosity)

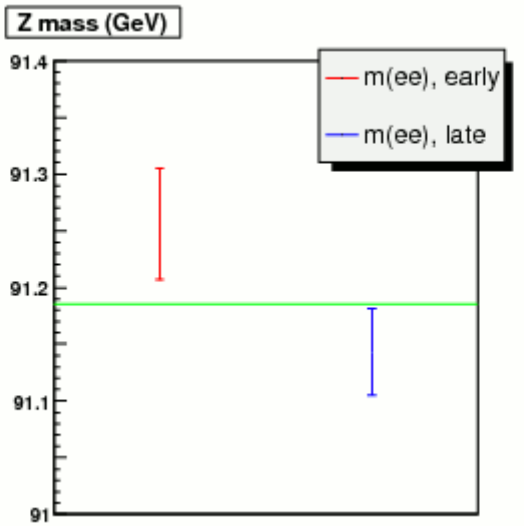


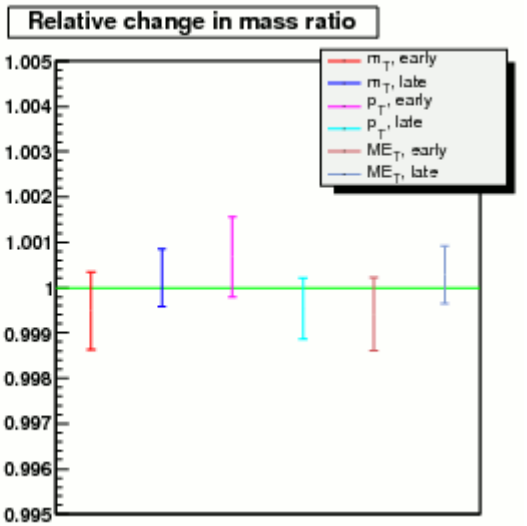




Time (i.e. data-taking period)







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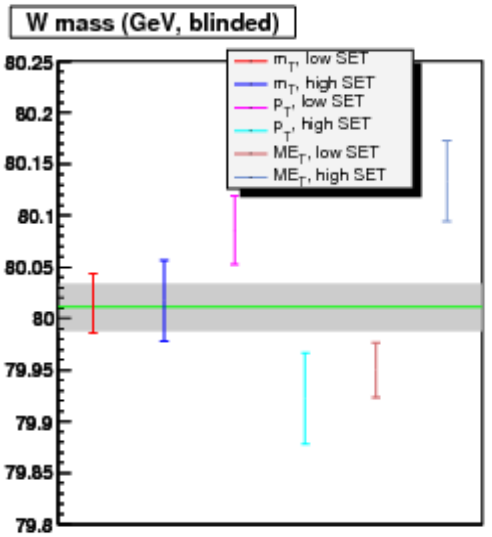
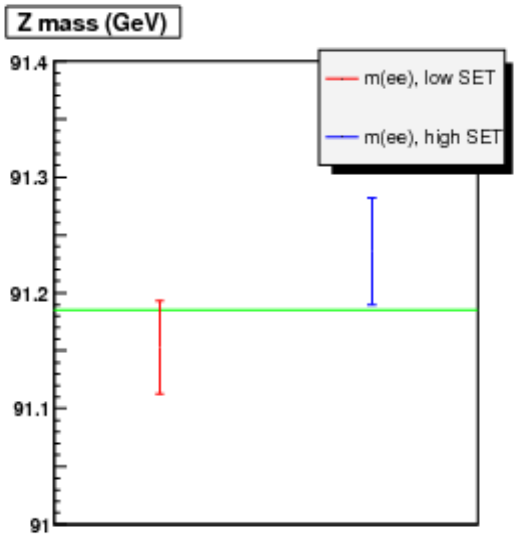
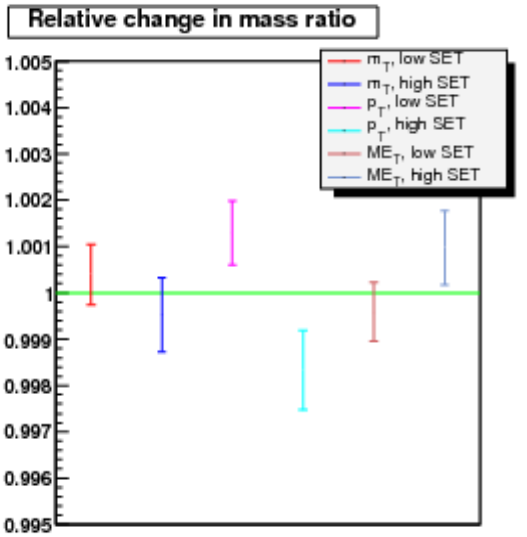
Stability checks

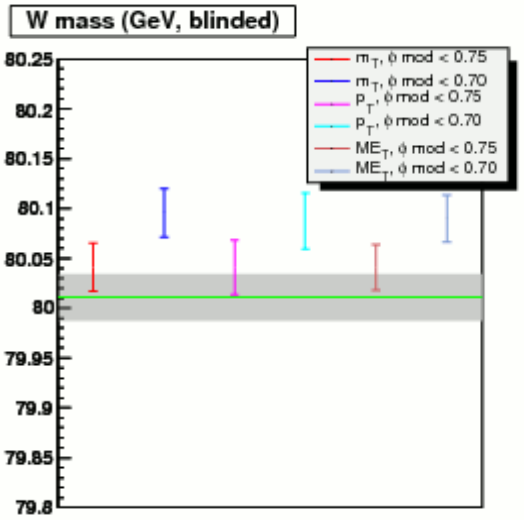
Scalar E_T ("global event activity as seen by calorimeter")

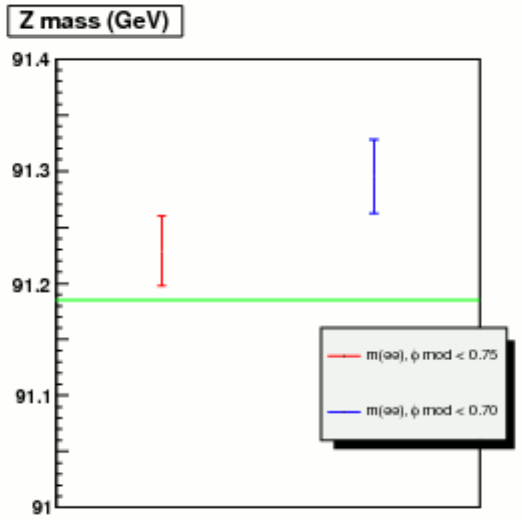


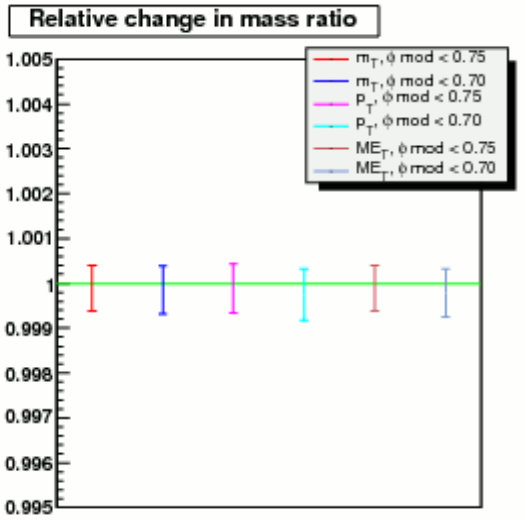




Electron distance from phi cracks







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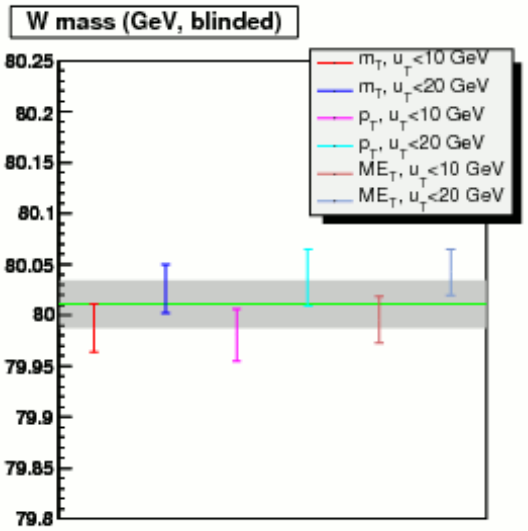
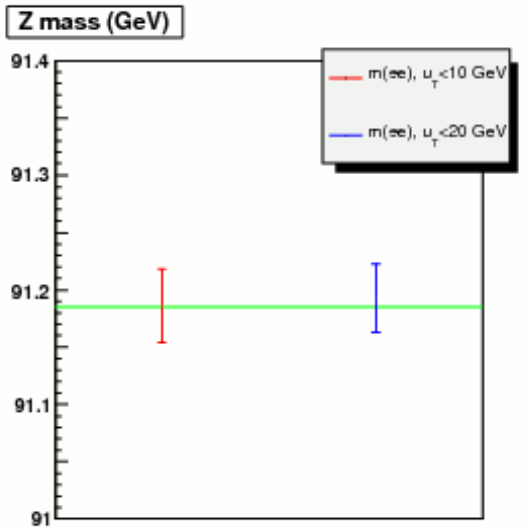
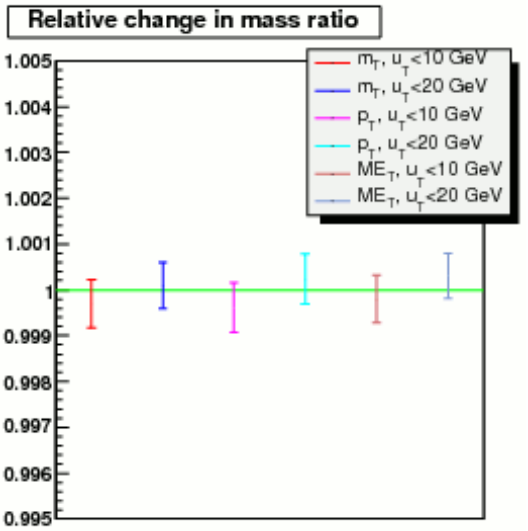
Stability checks

Cut on u_T ("length of recoil vector")

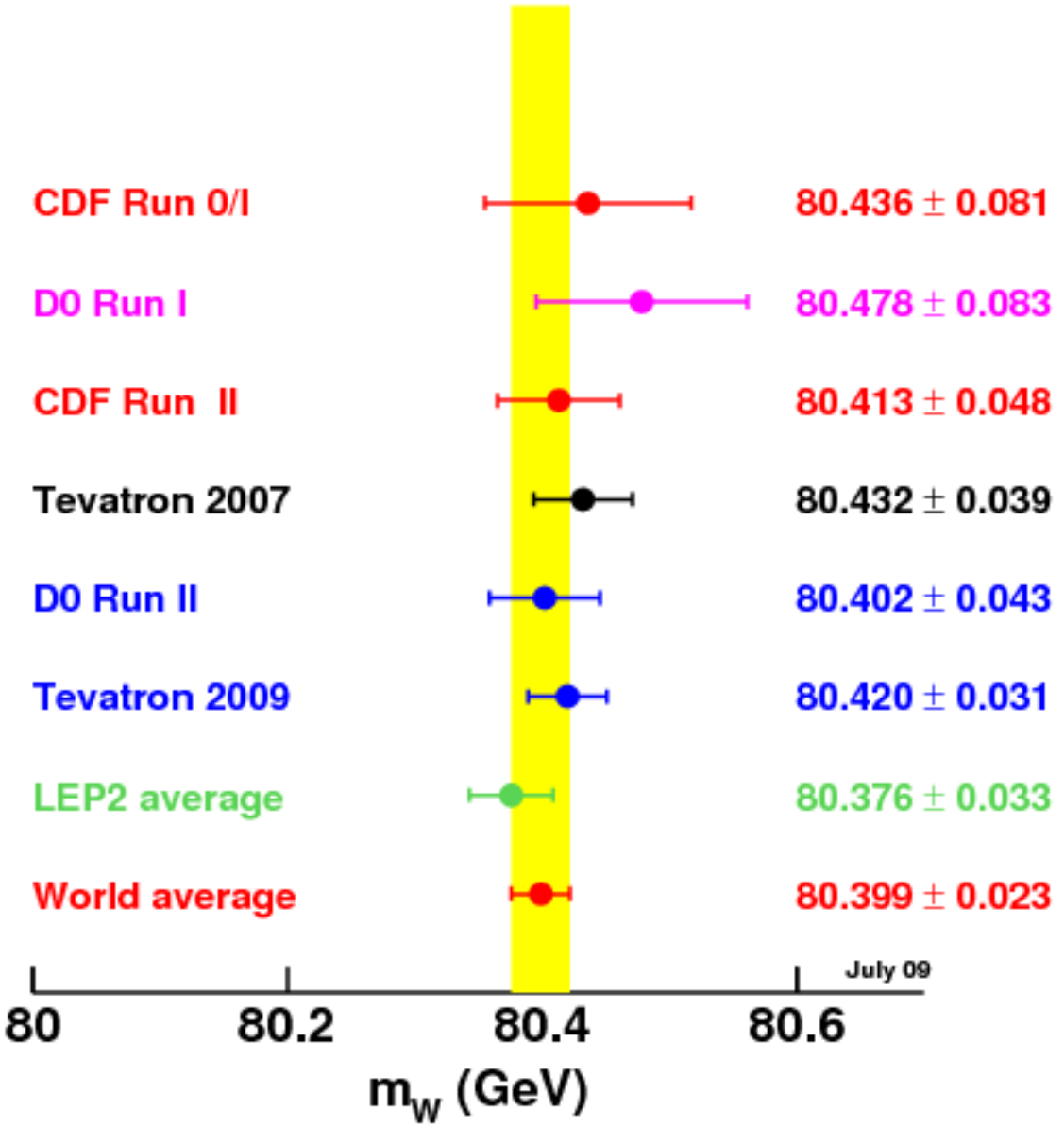






Sorry, plots still in terms of blinded mass, but it does not matter here.

The new world average



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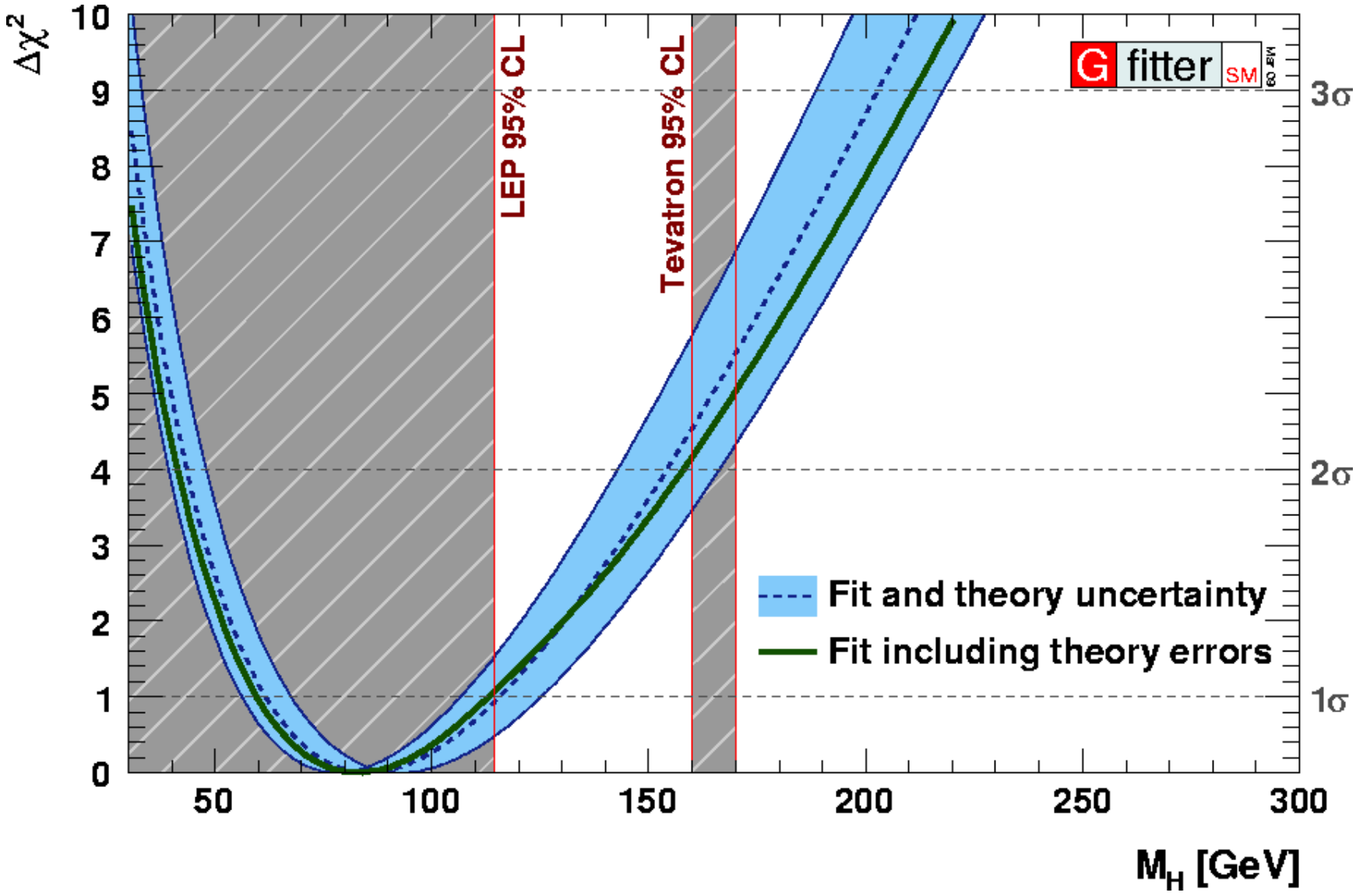

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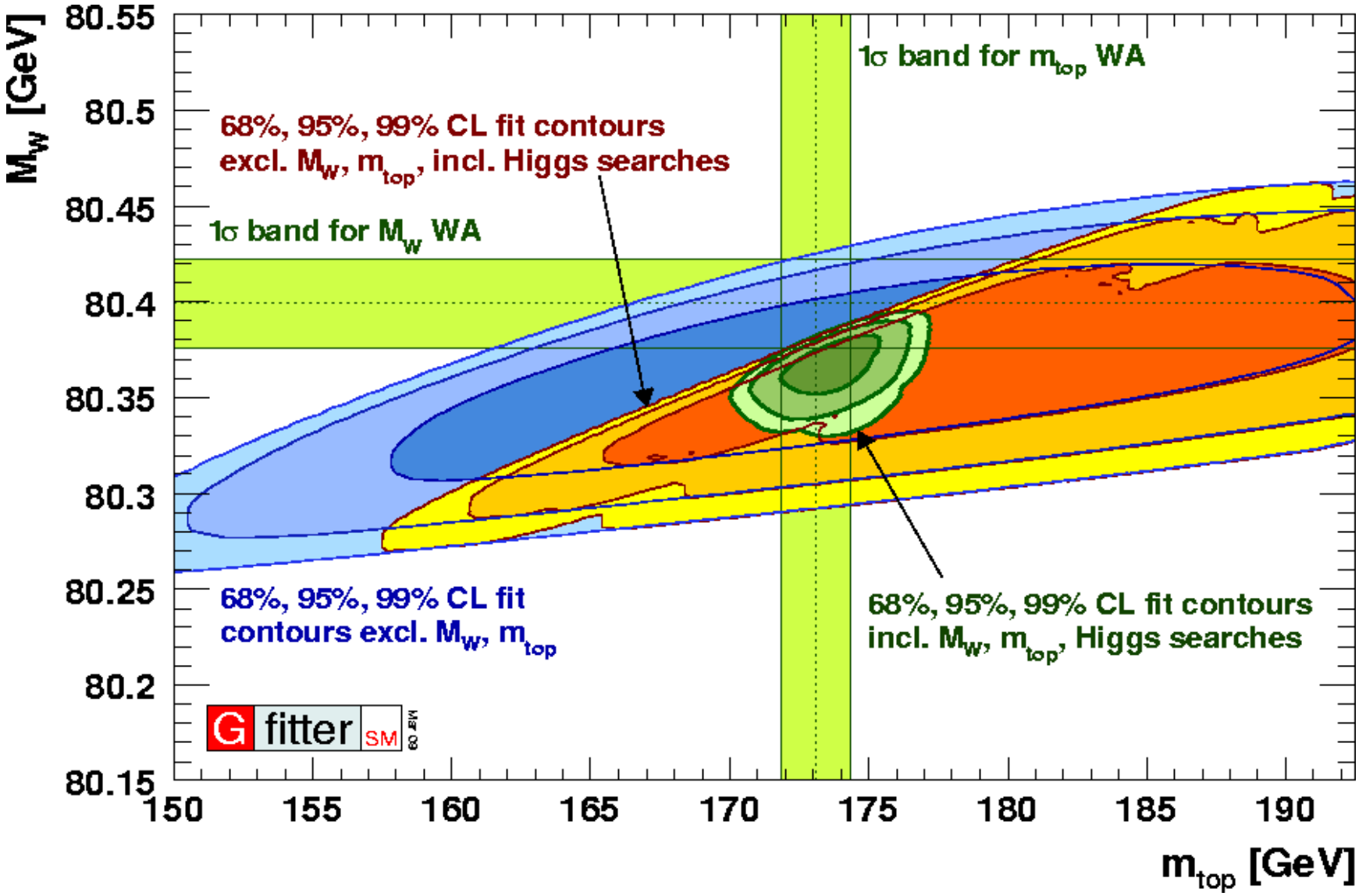
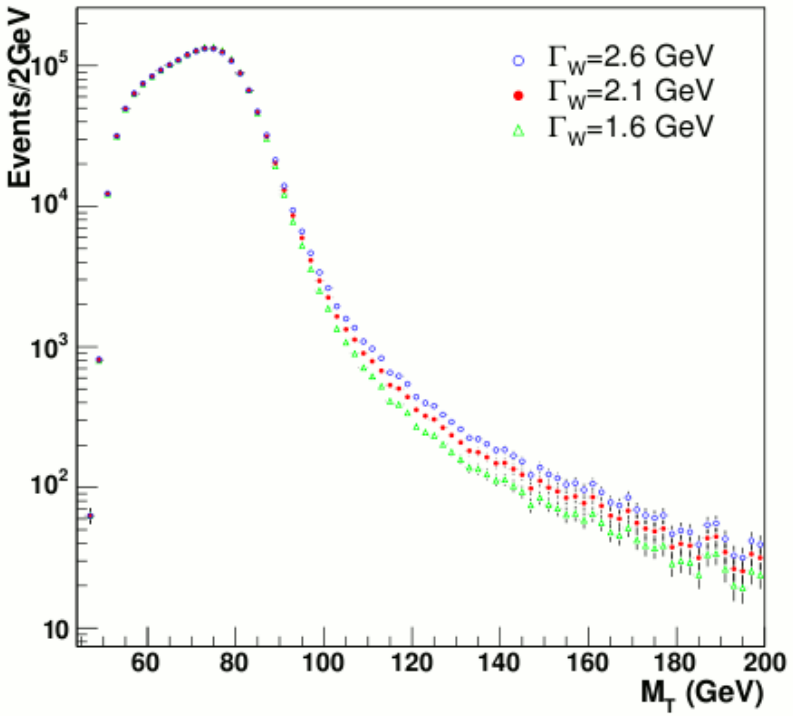
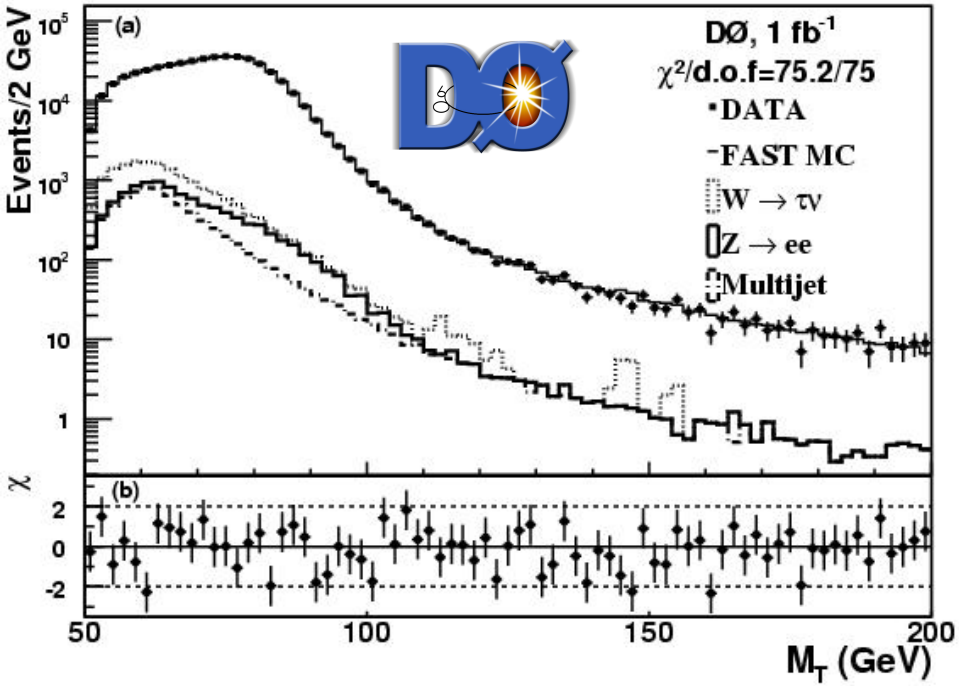


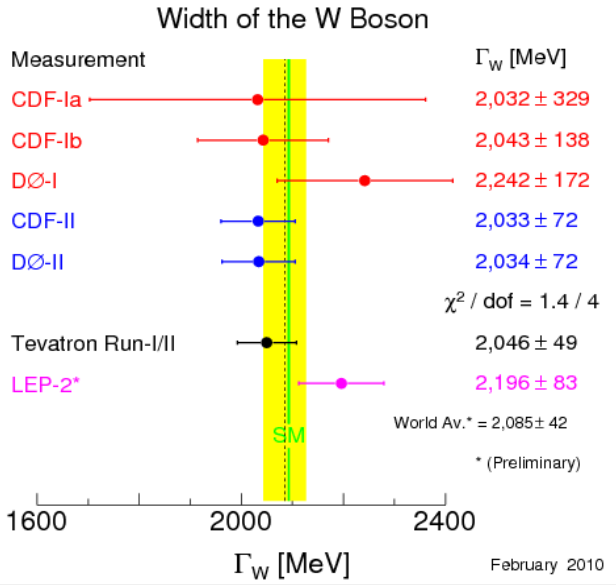
W boson width

Let's look in more detail into the tail of the M_T distribution. Shown below are MC simulations for different values of the W width (note wide horizontal scale and log vertical scale):



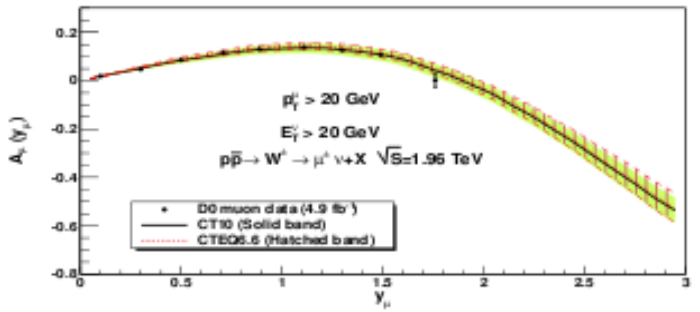
In the tail the effect of the natural width is not swamped by detector resolution.

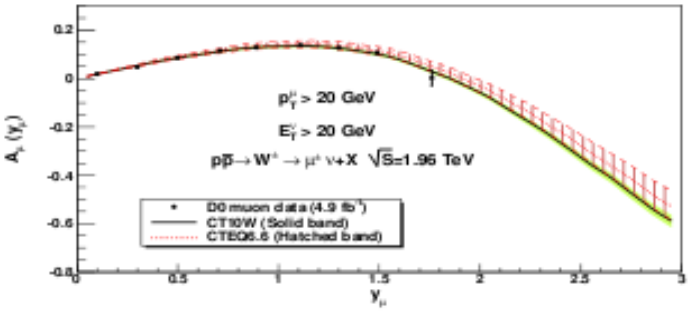


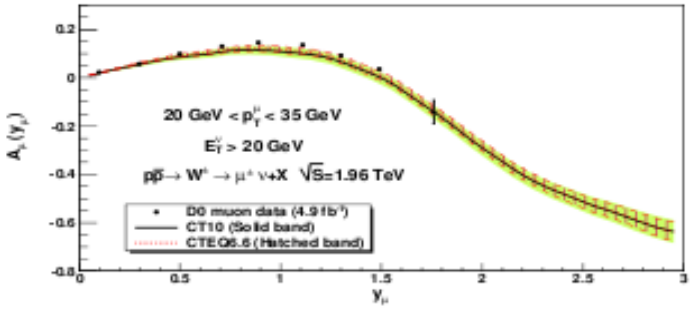


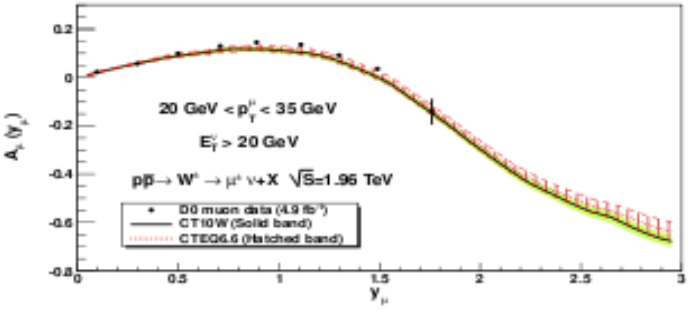
W charge asymmetry

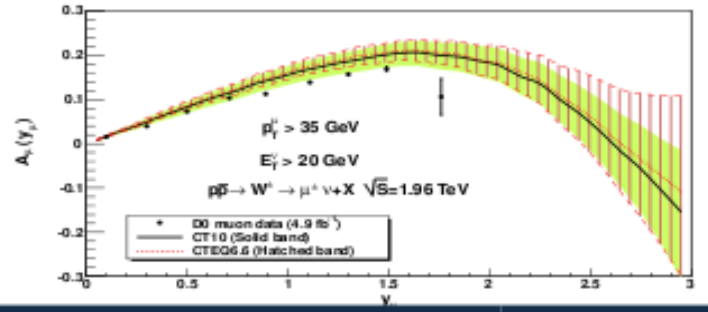
CT10 and CT10W predictions for $A_\mu(y_\mu)$ (D0 Run-2)

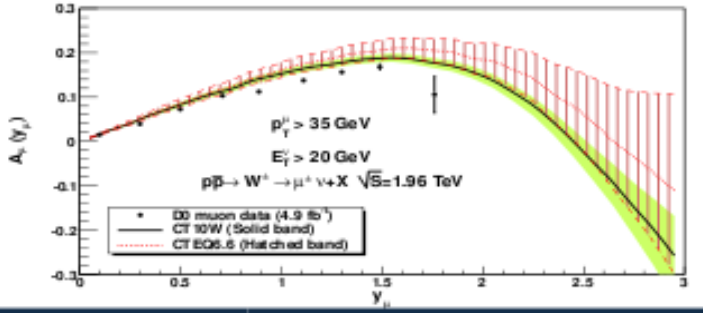












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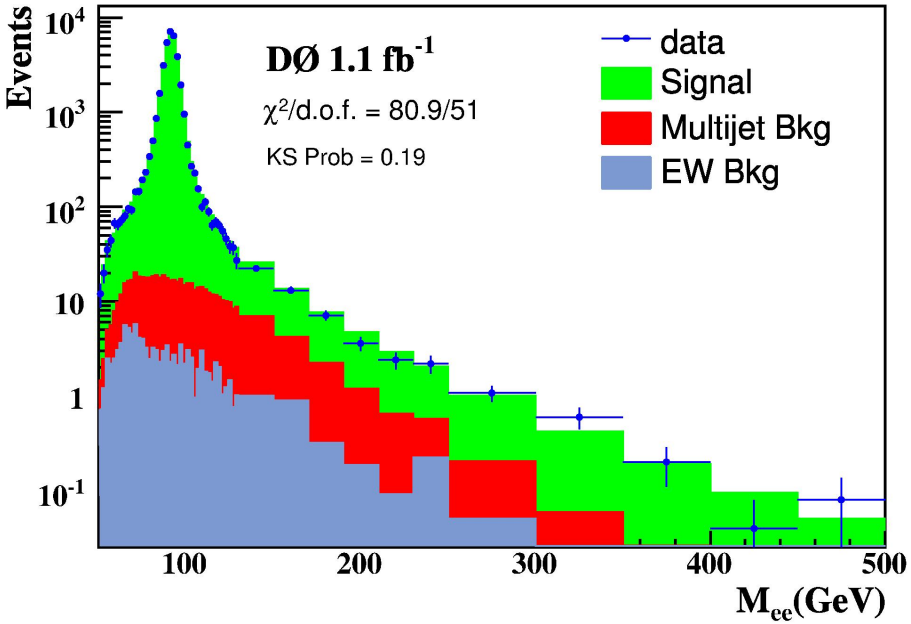
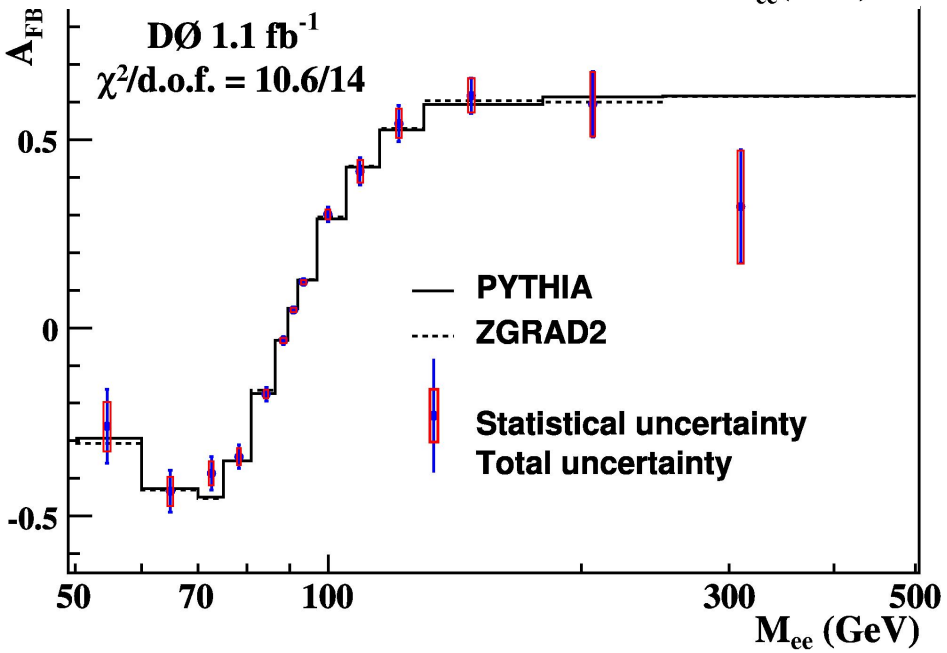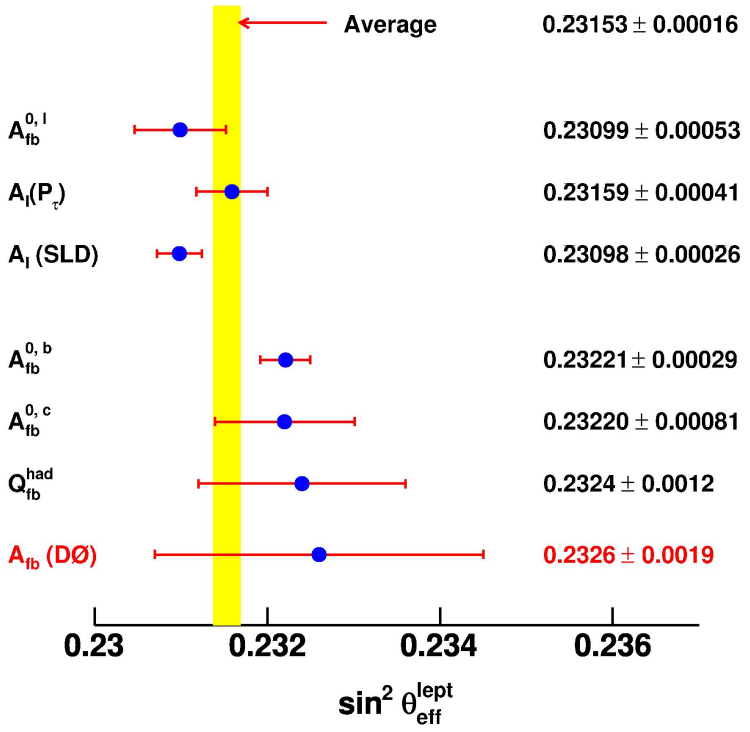
$$\sin^2\theta_W^{\text{eff}} = 0.2326 \pm 0.0018\ (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.0006\ (\text{syst.})$$