Cross section for $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma/Z \rightarrow f\bar{f}$

$$|M|^2 = \left| \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right|^2 + \left| \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right|^2$$

for
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$$

$$M_{\gamma} = -ie^{2}(\overline{u}_{\mu}\gamma^{\nu}V_{\mu})\frac{g_{\rho\nu}}{q^{2}}(\overline{V}_{e}\gamma^{\rho}U_{e})$$

$$M_{Z} = -i \frac{g^{2}}{\cos^{2} \theta_{W}} \left[\overline{u}_{\mu} \gamma^{\nu} \frac{1}{2} (g_{V}^{\mu} - g_{A}^{\mu} \gamma^{5}) v_{\mu} \right] \frac{g_{\rho \nu} - q_{\rho} q_{\nu} / M_{Z}^{2}}{(q^{2} - M_{Z}^{2}) + i M_{Z} \Gamma_{Z}} \left[\overline{v}_{e} \gamma^{\rho} \frac{1}{2} (g_{V}^{e} - g_{A}^{e} \gamma^{5}) u_{e} \right]$$

Z propagator considering a finite Z width (real particle)

Breit-Wigner Resonance is very general described:

$$\sigma(s) = 12\pi \frac{\Gamma_e \Gamma_\mu}{M_Z^2} \frac{s}{(s - M_Z^2)^2 + M_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2}$$

Cross sections and width can be calculated within the Standard Model

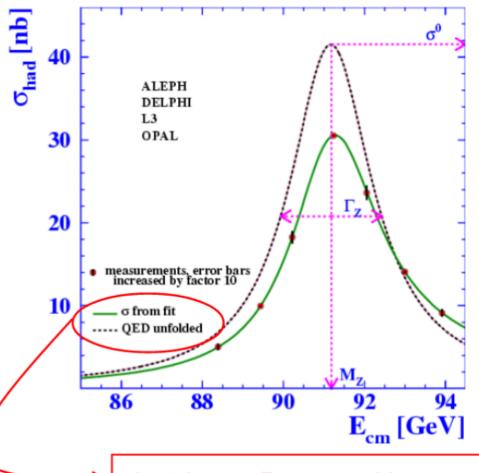
$$\Gamma_f = \frac{\alpha M_Z}{12\sin^2\theta_W \cos^2\theta_W} [(g_V^f)^2 + (g_A^f)^2]$$

$$\Gamma_Z = \sum_i \Gamma_i$$
 $BR(Z \to ii) = \frac{\Gamma_i}{\Gamma_Z}$

	$g_{\scriptscriptstyle V}$	${\cal G}_A$
ν	1/2	1/2
ℓ^-	$-\frac{1}{2}$ + 2sin ² θ_W	-1/2
u – quark	$+\frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W$	1/2
d – quark	$-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3} \sin^2 \theta_W$	$-\frac{1}{2}$

 $\sin^2 \theta_W \sim 0.22$

2.2 Measurement of the Z lineshape



Z Resonance curve:

$$\sigma(s) = 12\pi \frac{\Gamma_e \Gamma_\mu}{M_Z^2} \cdot \frac{s}{(s - M_Z^2)^2 + M_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2}$$

Peak:
$$\sigma_0 = \frac{12\pi}{M_Z^2} \frac{\Gamma_e \Gamma_\mu}{\Gamma_Z^2}$$

- Resonance position → M_Z
- Height ightarrow $\Gamma_{\rm e}$ $\Gamma_{\rm \mu}$ Width ightarrow $\Gamma_{\rm Z}$

Initial state Bremsstrahlung corrections

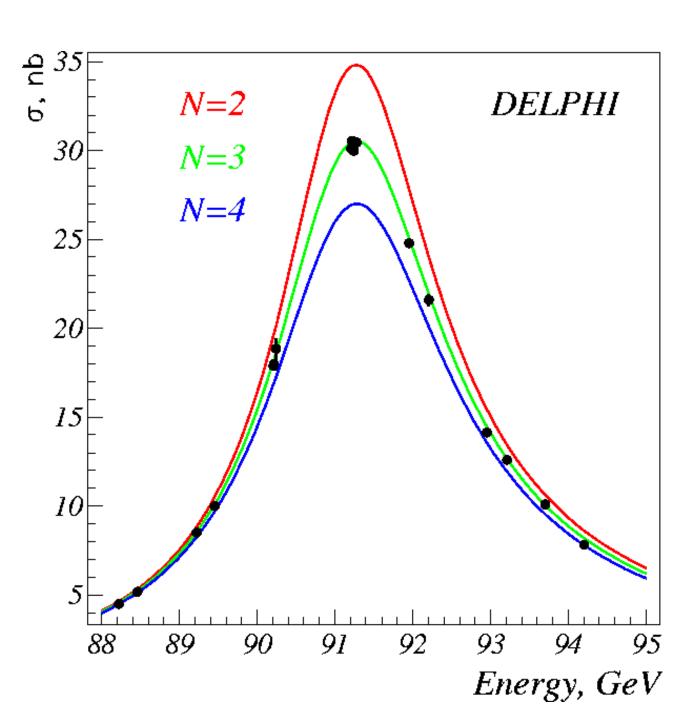
Initial state Bremsstrahlung corrections
$$\sigma_{ff(\gamma)} = \int_{4m_f^2/s}^{1} G(z)\sigma_{ff}^0(zs)dz \qquad z = 1 - \frac{2E_{\gamma}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

Leads to a deformation of the resonance: large (30%) effect!

There are only three light neutrino generations!

$$N_v = 2.9840 \pm 0.0082$$

No room for new physics: Z→new

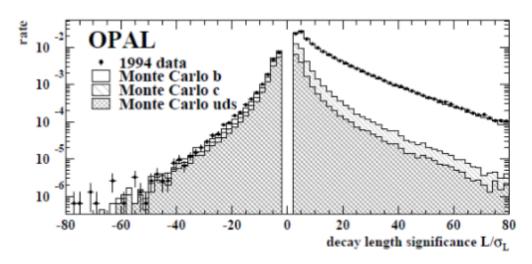


Heavy Quark production

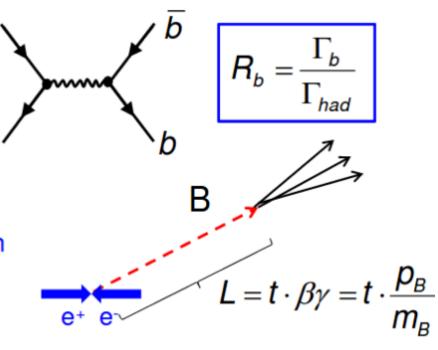
<u>Identification of b-Quark events:</u>

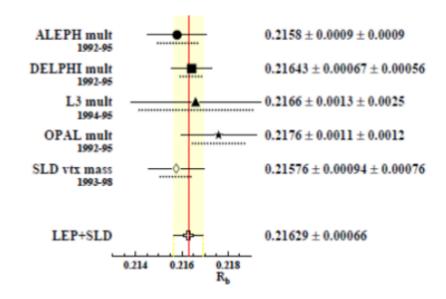
b-quarks hadronize to b-hadrons (B's, Λ_b) with typical lifetime of ~ 1 ps \rightarrow decay length

Use displaced "2nd" B decay vertex as signature.



Significance = L / error





$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{2s} \left[F_{\gamma}(\cos\theta) + F_{\gamma Z}(\cos\theta) \frac{s(s - M_Z^2)}{(s - M_Z^2)^2 + M_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2} + F_{Z}(\cos\theta) \frac{s^2}{(s - M_Z^2)^2 + M_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2} \right]$$
known γ γ /Z interference Z

$$F_{\gamma Z}(\cos \theta) = \frac{Q_{e}Q_{\mu}}{4\sin^{2}\theta_{W}\cos^{2}\theta_{W}} \left[2g_{V}^{e}g_{V}^{\mu}(1+\cos^{2}\theta) + 4g_{A}^{e}g_{A}^{\mu}\cos\theta \right]$$

$$F_Z(\cos\theta) = \frac{1}{16\sin^4\theta_W \cos^4\theta_W} \left[(g_V^{e^2} + g_A^{e^2})(g_V^{\mu^2} + g_A^{\mu^2})(1 + \cos^2\theta) + 8g_V^e g_A^e g_V^\mu g_A^\mu \cos\theta \right]$$

Forward-backward asymmetry A_{FB}

Away from the resonance large → interference term dominates

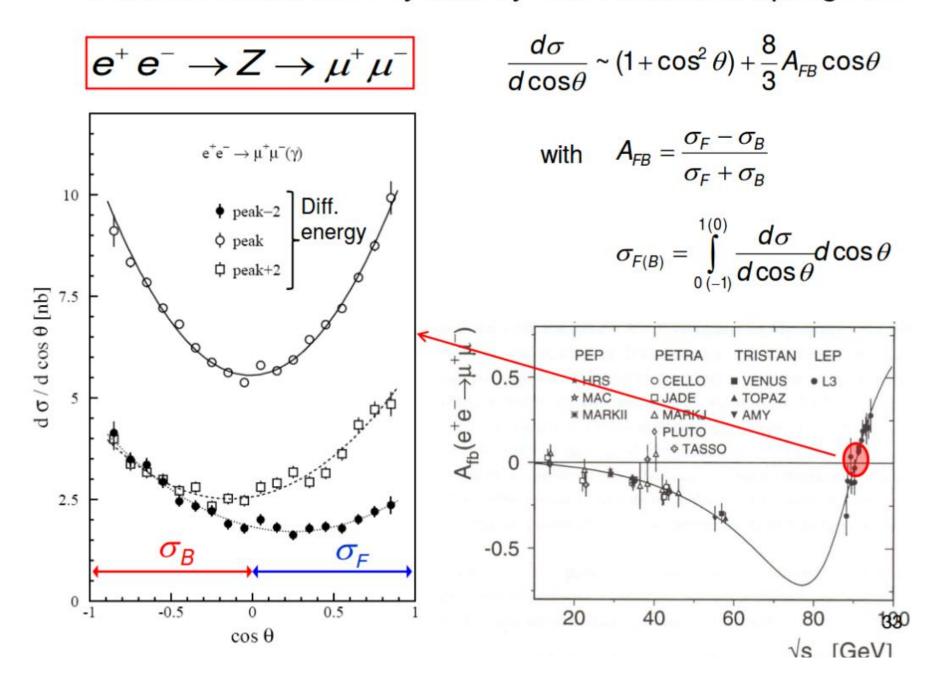
$$A_{FB} \sim g_A^e g_A^f \cdot \frac{s(s - M_Z^2)}{(s - M_Z^2)^2 + M_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2} \rightarrow \text{large}$$

• At the Z pole: Interference = 0 (see energy dependence of interference term)

$$A_{FB} = 3 \cdot \frac{g_V^e g_A^e}{(g_V^e)^2 + (g_A^e)^2} \cdot \frac{g_V^\mu g_A^\mu}{(g_V^\mu)^2 + (g_A^\mu)^2}$$

 \rightarrow very small because g_V^I small in SM

Forward-backward asymmetry and fermion couplings to Z



Asymmetrie at the Z pole

$$A_{FB} \sim g_A^e g_V^e g_A^f g_V^f$$

Cross section at the Z pole

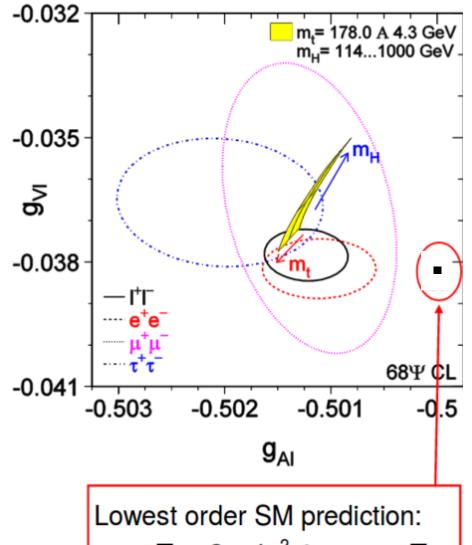
$$\sigma_{Z} \sim [(g_{V}^{e})^{2} + (g_{A}^{e})^{2}][(g_{V}^{\mu})^{2} + (g_{A}^{\mu})^{2}]$$



Lepton asymmetries together with lepton pair cross sections allow the determination of the lepton couplings g_A and g_V .

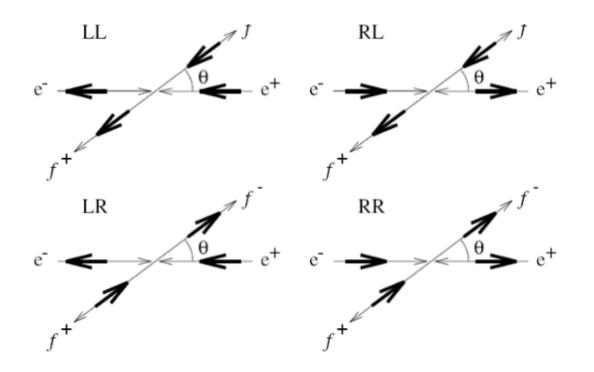


Good agreement between the 3 lepton species confirms "lepton universality"



$$g_V = T_3 - 2q \sin^2 \theta_W \quad g_A = T_3$$

Deviation from lowest order SM prediction is an effect of higher-order electroweak corrections.



Observables:

$$\sigma_{F(B)} = \int_{0}^{1(0)} \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} d\cos\theta$$

$$\sigma_{L} = \sigma_{LL} + \sigma_{LR}$$
 $\sigma_{R} = \sigma_{RL} + \sigma_{RR}$

$$\sigma_{-} = \sigma_{LL} + \sigma_{RL}$$
 $\sigma_{+} = \sigma_{RR} + \sigma_{LR}$

$$A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_F - \sigma_B}{\sigma_F + \sigma_B}$$

Forward-backward asym. (final)

$$A_{LR} = \frac{\sigma_L - \sigma_R}{\sigma_L + \sigma_R}$$

Left right asym. (initial)

$$\mathcal{G}_{f} = \frac{\sigma_{+} - \sigma_{-}}{\sigma_{+} + \sigma_{-}}$$

fermion polarization (final)

Polarization of final state leptons: tau pol.

$$\mathcal{P}_{f}(\cos\theta) = \frac{\frac{d\sigma_{+}}{d\cos\theta} - \frac{\sigma_{-}}{d\cos\theta}}{\frac{d\sigma_{+}}{d\cos\theta} + \frac{\sigma_{-}}{d\cos\theta}} \quad \text{fermion pol.}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_f(\cos\theta) = \frac{\mathcal{A}_f(1+\cos^2\theta) + 2\mathcal{A}_e\cos\theta}{(1+\cos^2\theta) + 8/3\,\mathcal{A}_{FB}\cos\theta}$$

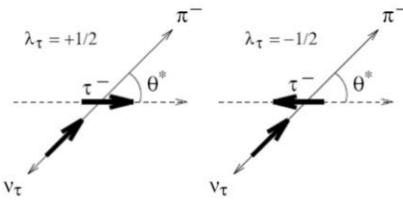
with
$$\mathcal{A}_{i} = \frac{2g_{V}^{i}g_{A}^{i}}{(g_{V}^{i})^{2} + (g_{A}^{i})^{2}}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\ell} \approx -2 \frac{2g_V^{\ell}}{g_A^{\ell}} = -2(1 - 4\sin^2\theta_w)$$

Lepton polarization measures directly $\sin^2\theta_w$. The only lepton for which polarization can be measured at LEP is the tau!

Experimental Method to measure tau polarization:

$$\tau^- \to \pi^- \nu_{\tau}$$
 Spin ½ \to Spin ½ + Spin 0



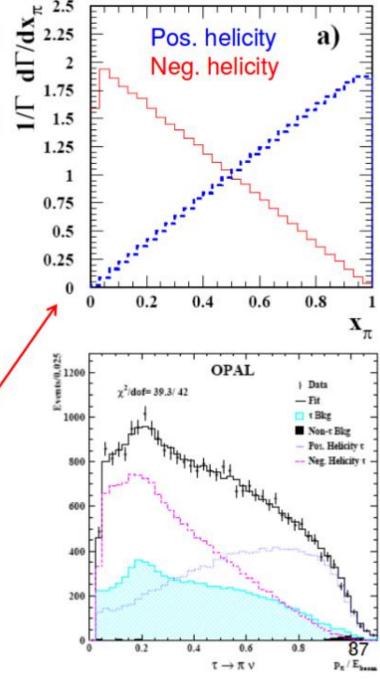
$$\frac{1}{\Gamma}\frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\theta^*} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \mathcal{P}_{\tau}\cos\theta^*)$$



Boost into lab frame

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{dx_{\pi}} = 1 + \mathcal{P}_{\tau} (2x_{\pi} - 1) \qquad x_{\pi} = E_{\pi} / E_{\tau}$$

Fit of the two theoretical distribution to data yields the polarization: ~ 0.15



Left-Right Asymmetry at SLC

Measure cross section σ_L (σ_R) for LH (RH) initial state electrons:

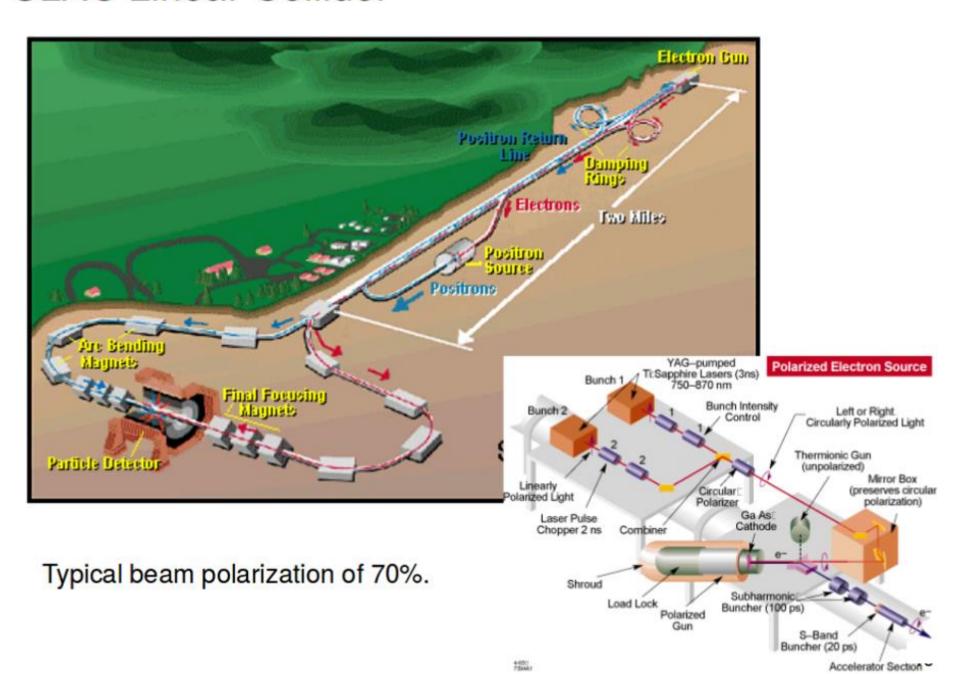
Polarization of electron beam:
$$P\sim 70-80\%$$

$$A_{LR} = \frac{1}{P_e} \frac{\sigma_L^f - \sigma_R^f}{\sigma_L^f + \sigma_R^f}$$

$$A_{LR} = \frac{2g_V^e g_A^e}{\left(g_V^e\right)^2 + \left(g_A^e\right)^2} = \frac{2(1-4\sin^2\theta_W)}{1+(1-4\sin^2\theta_W)^2}$$

Powerful determination of $\sin^2\theta_w$. Requires longitudinal polarization of colliding beams

SLAC Linear Collider



Precise determination of beam polarization using a Compton Polarimeter

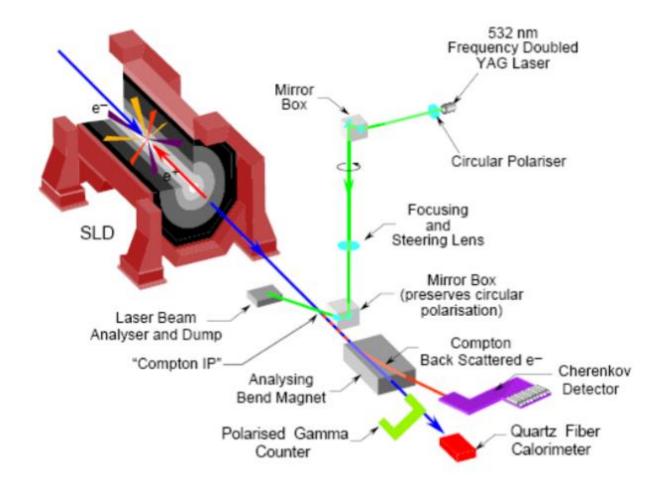
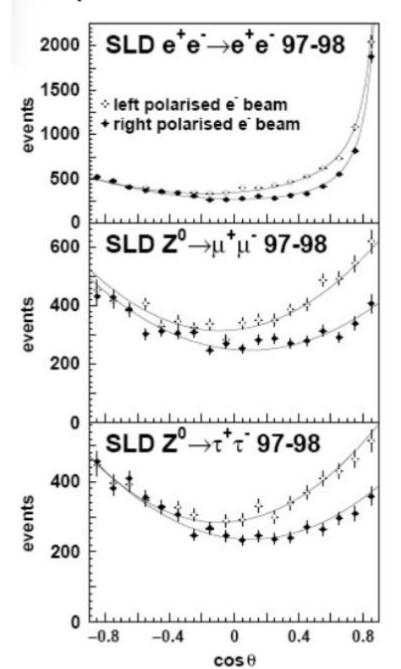


Figure 3.1: A conceptual diagram of the SLD Compton Polarimeter. The laser beam, consisting of 532 nm wavelength 8 ns pulses produced at 17 Hz and a peak power of typically 25 MW, were circularly polarised and transported into collision with the electron beam at a crossing angle of 10 mrad approximately 30 meters from the IP. Following the laser/electron-beam collision, the electrons and Compton-scattered photons, which are strongly boosted along the electron beam direction, continue downstream until analysing bend magnets deflect the Compton-scattered electrons into a transversely-segmented Cherenkov detector. The photons continue undeflected and are detected by a gamma counter (PGC) and a calorimeter (QFC) which are used to cross-check the polarimeter calibration.

Leptonic final states:



SLD

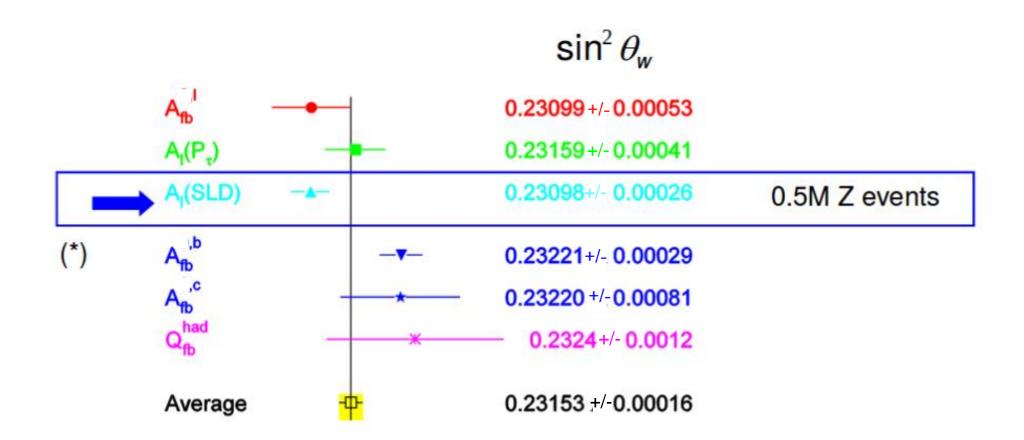
Asymmetry clearly seen for LH and RH cross section.

All data:
$$A_{LR} = 0.1513 \pm 0.0021$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_w = 0.23098 \pm 0.00026$$
With 0.5×106

With 0.5×10⁶ Z-decays

SLD versus 4×4.5 ×10⁶ Z-decays at LEP



(*) similar to R_b one can also determine the forward-backward asymmetry for bb-events.