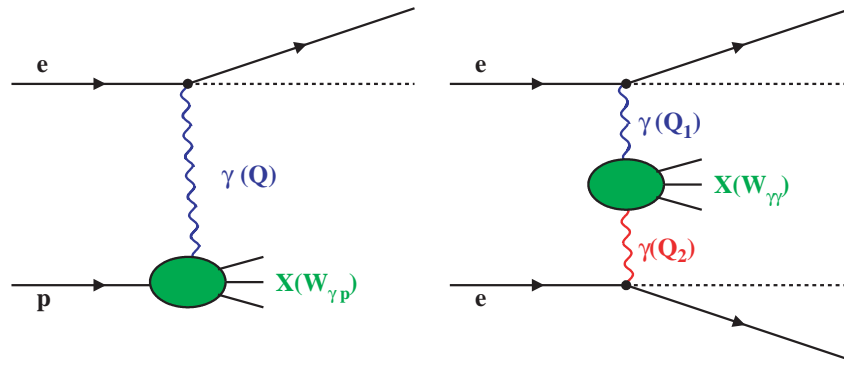


Virtual Photons



Photon virtuality:

$$Q_1^2 = -q_1^2 = 2E_1 E_1' (1 - \cos\theta_1)$$

$$Q_2^2 = -q_2^2 = 2E_1 E_2' (1 - \cos\theta_2)$$

$W_{\gamma\gamma}$: $\gamma\gamma$ center-of-mass energy

$$W_{\text{vis}}^2 = (\sum_h E_h)^2 - (\sum_h \vec{p}_h)^2 \leq W_{\gamma\gamma}^2$$

h = particle measured in the detector

Hera

◆ $Q^2 \gg 0$ DIS

◆ Composite target

LEP

◆ $Q_1^2 \equiv Q^2 > Q_2^2 \equiv P^2 \simeq 0$ Single-tag

⇒ $\gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ radiatively generated partons

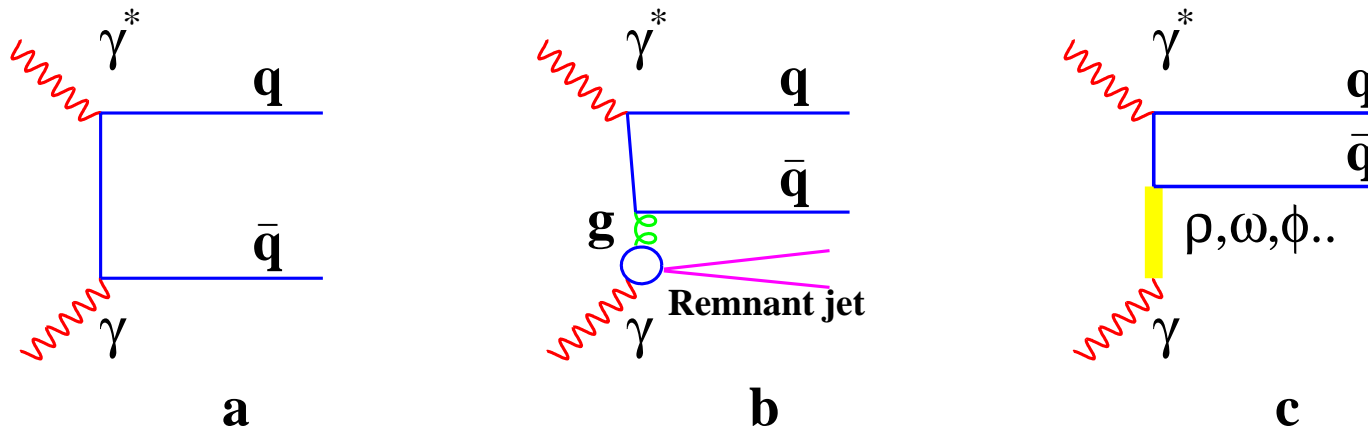
$$\frac{d\sigma_{e\gamma \rightarrow eX}(x, Q^2)}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} [(1 + (1 - y)^2)F_2^\gamma(x, Q^2) - y^2 F_L^\gamma(x, Q^2)]$$

$$x = Q^2 / 2(p \cdot q) = Q^2 / (Q^2 + W_{\gamma\gamma}^2 + P^2)$$

$$y = (q \cdot p) / (k \cdot p) = 1 - (E_{\text{tag}} / E_{\text{beam}}) \cos^2 \theta_{\text{tag}} \approx 0$$

Photon structure function, F_2^γ , and parton density

$$F_2^\gamma = x \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} e_i^2 (q_i^\gamma + \bar{q}_i^\gamma)(x, Q^2)$$

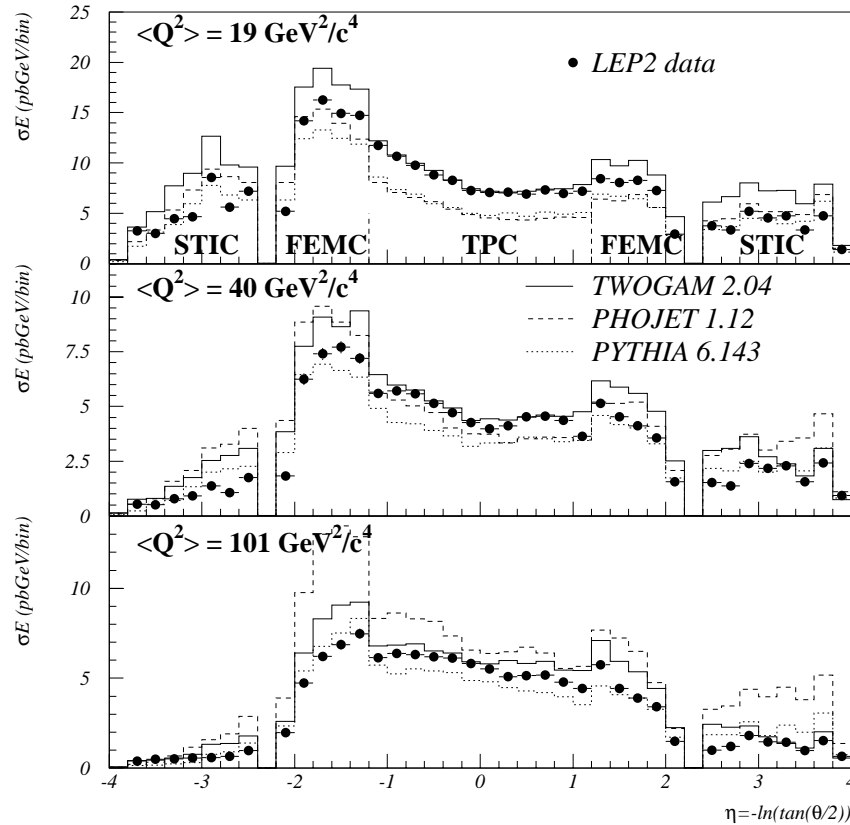


- ❖ (a) Pointlike coupling \Rightarrow fully calculable QED process:
 - \Rightarrow large quark density at large x and logarithmic rise with Q^2 .
- ❖ (b) QCD corrections \Rightarrow DGLAP equation
 - \Rightarrow gluonic content of the photon.
 - \Rightarrow α_s measurement.
- ❖ (c) Initial conditions \Rightarrow non perturbative (VDM) contributions



Tagging scattered electron

DELPHI



Hadronic energy flow vs. rapidity

Electromagnetic calorimeters:
luminosity monitor and endcap

Experiment	Detector	Acceptance (m)
ALEPH	SICAL	24. – 58.
	LCAL	45. – 160.
DELPHI	STIC	35. – 174.5
	FEMC	174.5 – 637
L3	LUMI	33. – 64.
	EE	200. – 700
OPAL	SW	33. – 59.
	FD	60. – 140.
	EE	200. – 609



Kinematical range: LEP1

Experiment	$\langle Q^2 \rangle$ GeV ²	x interval	points
ALEPH	9.9	0.005 - 0.8	4
	20.7	0.009 - 0.89	4
	284.	0.03 - 0.97	3
DELPHI	5.2	0.001 - 0.5	3
	12.7	0.01 - 0.39	5
	28.5	0.02 - 0.8	3
	101	0.001 - 0.8	4
L3	1.9	0.002 - 0.1	6
	5.	0.005 - 0.2	6
	120.	0.05 - 0.98	5
OPAL	1.9	0.0006 - 0.3679	4
	3.7	0.0015 - 0.6065	4
	8.9	0.0111 - 0.8187	3
	17.5	0.0235 - 0.9048	3

ALEPH Phys. Lett. B 458 (1999) 152

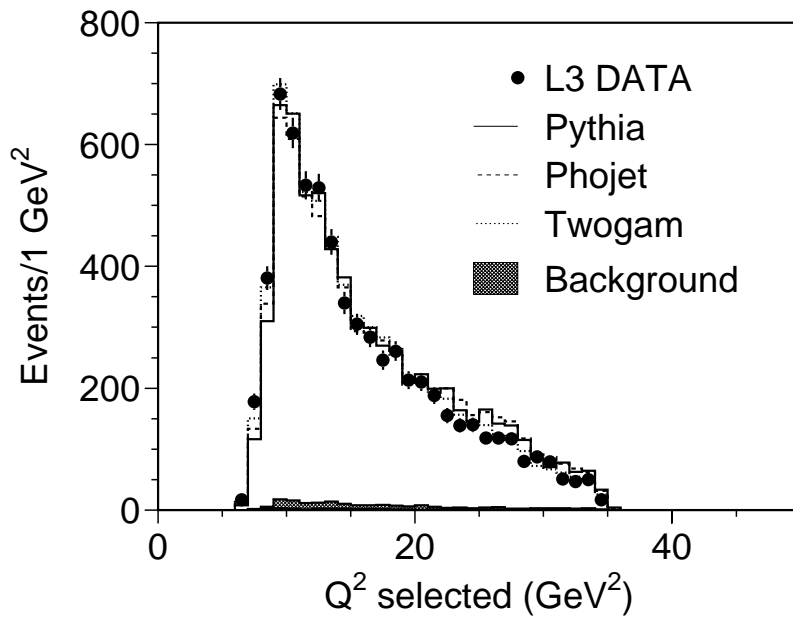
DELPHI This Conference (preliminary)

L3 Phys. Lett. B 436 (1998) 403; Phys. Lett. B 483 (2000) 373

OPAL Eur. Phys. J. C 18 (2000) 15



Kinematical range: LEP2



ALEPH Eur. Phys. J. C 30 (2003) 145

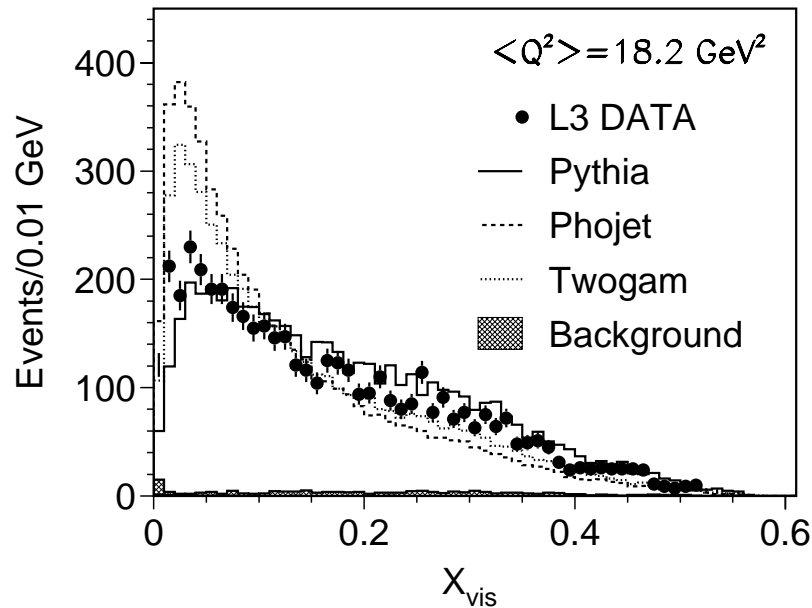
DELPHI This Conference (preliminary)

L3 Phys. Lett. B 447 (1999) 147
and this Conference (preliminary)

OPAL Phys. Lett. B 533 (2002) 207

Experiment	$\langle Q^2 \rangle$ GeV ²	x interval	points
ALEPH	17.3	0.002 - 0.7	8
	67.2	0.006 - 0.96	8
DELPHI	19.	0.001 - 0.8	4
	40	0.001 - 0.8	4
L3	700	0.01 - 0.8	2
	10.8	0.01 - 0.3	3
	15.3	0.01 - 0.5	4
	23.1	0.01 - 0.5	4
	18.4	0.001 - 0.51	11
OPAL	10.7	0.0009 - 0.8187	3
	17.8	0.0015 - 0.9048	4
	12.1	0.1 - 0.6	2
	19.9	0.1 - 0.6	2
	39.7	0.1 - 0.85	3
	76.4	0.1 - 0.85	3
	780.	0.15 - 0.98	3

Monte Carlo modelling



Experiment	Monte Carlo
ALEPH	Herwig 6.2
	Pythia 6.1
DELPHI	Twogam 2.04
	Phojet 1.12
	Pythia 6.143
L3	Phojet 1.05
	Twogam 1.71
	Pythia 6.2
OPAL	Herwig 5.9 + k_t
	Phojet 1.05

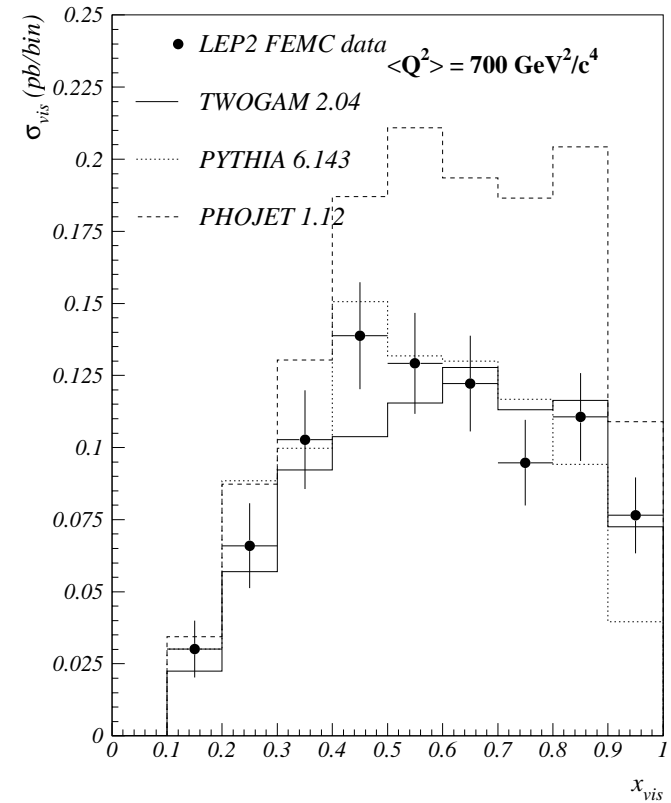
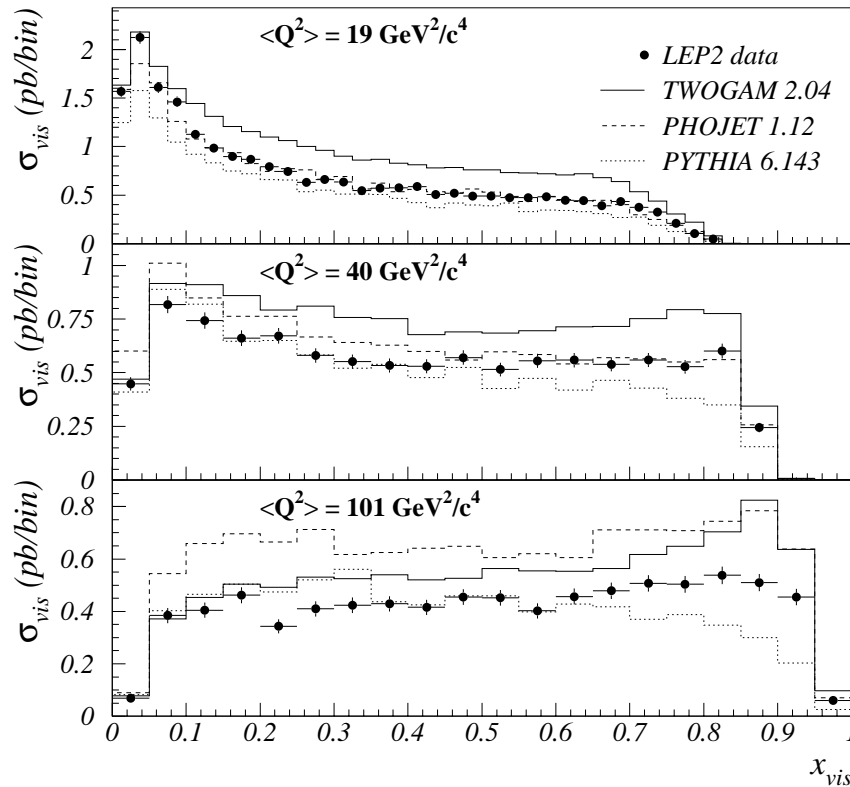
- ❖ The generators predict different shapes.
- ❖ Differences between Monte Carlo's larger than differences between the experiments (Lep $\gamma\gamma$ Working Group : Eur. Phys. J. C 23 (2002) 201)



Comparison with Monte Carlo: Delphi

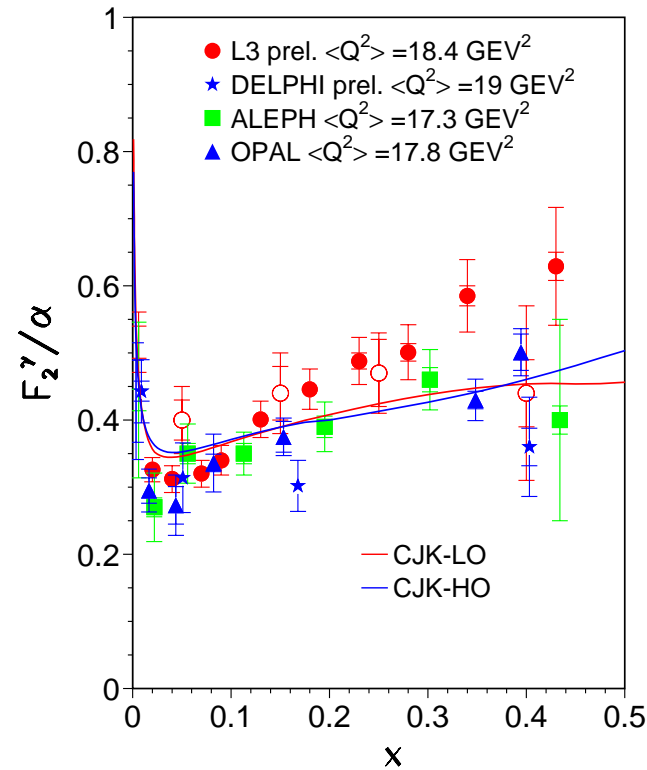
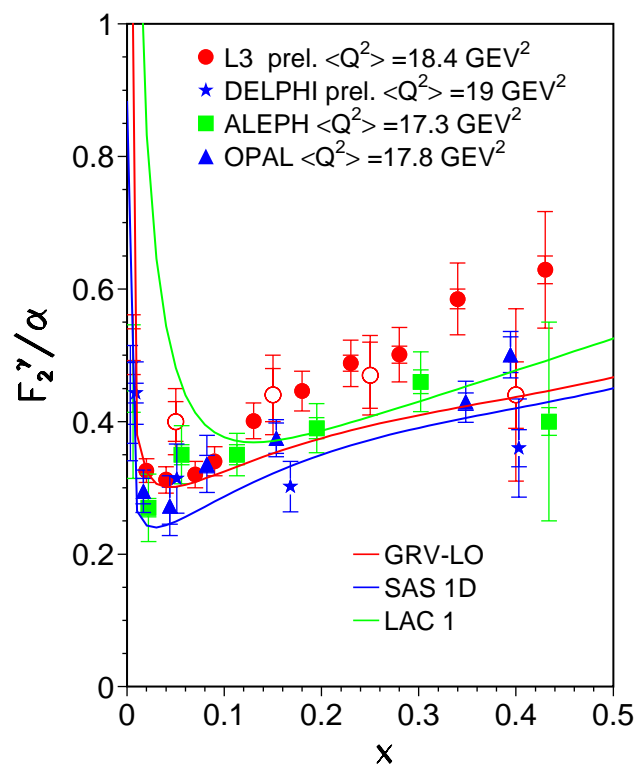
STIC

FEMC



❖ No Monte Carlo is able to reproduce all distributions for all Q^2 .

F_2^γ vs x

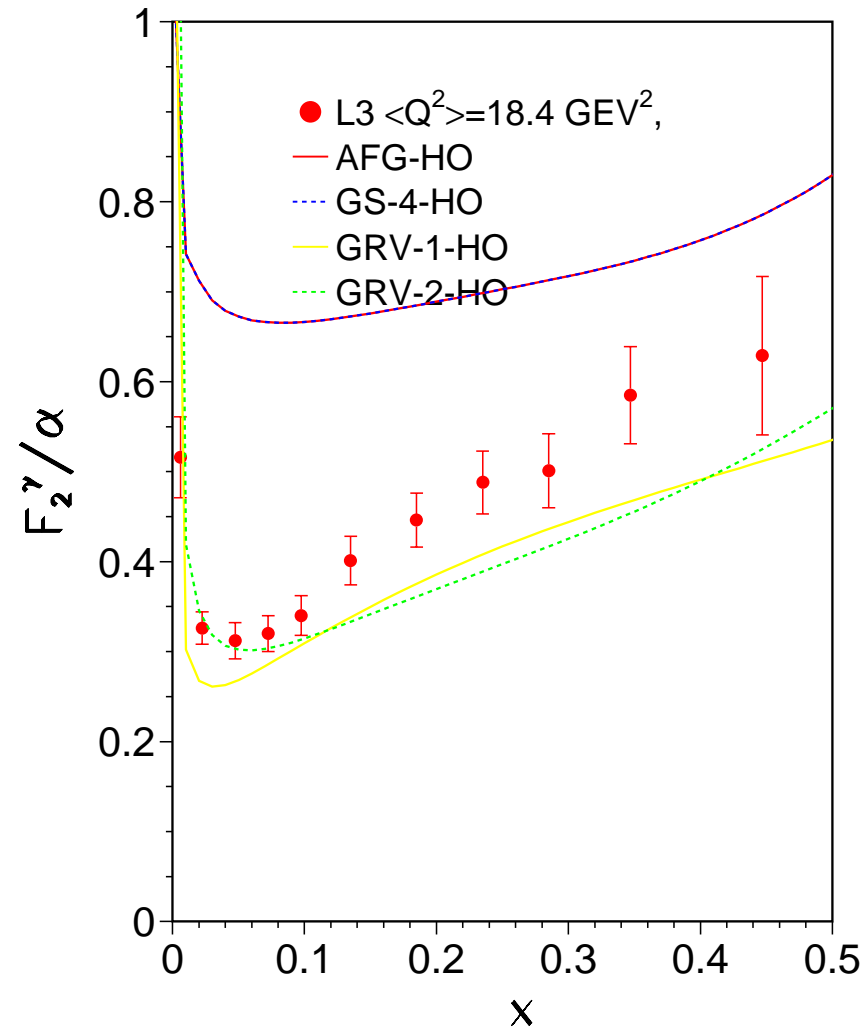


- ❖ Systematic larger than statistical uncertainty
- ❖ Large spread of p.d.f. predictions (fits on data before LEP, ~ 70 points)
- ❖ New fit CJK (208 points) F.Cornet *et al.* Phys. Rev. D 68 (2003) 014010

Note: Delphi gives 3 separate MC results, I averaged them for the LEP compilation.



Parton density functions





α_s measurement

S. Albino, M. Klasen and S. Söldner-Rembold, Phys.Rev.Lett.89:122004,2002

Fit F_2^γ data from PETRA, TRISTAN and LEP

1. Single-parameter fit of the pointlike photon structure function (NLO, $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme) for $Q^2 \geq 59 \text{ GeV}^2, x \geq 0.45$ (20 points)

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1183 \pm 0.0050(\text{exp.}) \pm 0.0029(\text{theo.})$$

2. Five-parameters fit (pointlike + hadronic):

$$\alpha_s, Q_0, f_u^\gamma(x, Q_0^2) = Nx^\alpha(1-x)^\beta ; \text{ all } Q^2 \text{ and all } x \text{ (134 points)}$$

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1198 \pm 0.0028(\text{exp.})_{-0.0046}^{+0.0034}(\text{theo.})$$

$$Q_0 = 0.83 \pm 0.09 \text{ GeV} \simeq M(\rho), M(\omega)$$

Comparable to other LEP measurements:

- ❖ $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1240 \pm 0.0037(\text{exp.}) \pm 0.0026(\text{theo.})$ from the ratio R_Z
- ❖ $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1201 \pm 0.0013(\text{exp.}) \pm 0.0047(\text{theo.})$ from event shape variables.