

DELPHI Open Data at the Z Pole

Direct R_b^0 , R_c^0 , and R_s^0
with holistic event tagging

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LEP1 open data

1994–1995 nominal period



5-flavor ParticleNet

event-level classification



Joint 8-bin fit

3 POIs + 15 NPs

LEP legacy and the direct R_s^0 gap

Z-pole ratios

$$R_q^0 = \frac{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow q\bar{q})}{\Gamma_{\text{had}}}$$

SM R_b^0 0.216

SM R_c^0 0.172

SM R_s^0 0.220

Z-pole precision

flavor universality

Published LEP measurements

Observable	Experiment / method	Result	Limitation
R_b^0	DELPHI, lifetime double tag	$0.21634 \pm 0.00065 \pm 0.00060$	heavy flavor
R_c^0	DELPHI, charm tags	$0.1665 \pm 0.0051 \pm 0.0081$	charm response
$R_d = R_s$	OPAL, light-quark tags	0.219 ± 0.007	$d = s$ imposed

Historical coverage

R_b^0 : per-mille precision · R_c^0 : percent precision

R_s^0 : no DELPHI direct result · OPAL comparison under $d = s$

Open-data opportunity

2024 DELPHI release · modern five-flavor event classifier

direct R_s^0 · combined u/d response · no $d = s$ constraint

Data periods, simulation samples, and event-quality handling

Selected events

2,064,411

1994–1995 hadronic- Z candidates

Barrel

1,344,913

$|\cos \theta_{\text{thrust}}| < 0.70$

Endcap

719,498

$|\cos \theta_{\text{thrust}}| \geq 0.70$

Analysis-note sample names

Type	Year	Official sample	Score product
Data	1994	short94_c2/nanoaod_job_*.root	pred_data_1994_data.root
Data	1995	short95_d2/nanoaod_job_*.root	pred_data_1995_data.root
KK2F MC	1994	sh_kk2f4146qqpy_e91.25_194_21_c2/	pred_mc_1994_<flav>_<flav>.root
KK2F MC	1995	...e91.25_c95_11_d2/ + ...e91.25_195_11_d2/	pred_mc_1995_<flav>_<flav>.root
<flav> = bb, cc, ss, uu, dd		year-matched DELPHI full simulation	

$d0$ sentinel

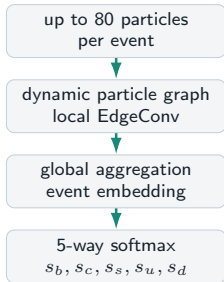
data peak: $|d0| \simeq 999$ mm $\rightarrow$ remove tracks
with $|d0| \geq 100$ mm
feature extraction before ParticleNet inference

Beam_errorCode

data: require = 0 $\rightarrow$ -13,348 bad-run / ghost
events
MC: branch fixed to zero · no-op selection

ParticleNet as a holistic five-flavor event classifier

Whole-event representation



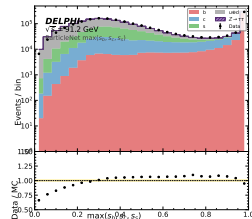
Inputs

- ▶ $\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi, \Delta R, \log p_T, \log E$
- ▶ charge and particle type
- ▶ dE/dx and RICH response
- ▶ $\tanh(d0), \tanh(z0)$

Training configuration

1994 official MC · 5 balanced flavors
100k/flavor · 500k events
30 epochs · batch 512
Ranger · learning rate 0.01
Weaver · five-class cross entropy

Score-shape diagnostic

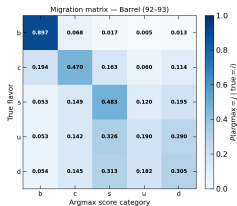


Data/MC overlay; continuous score shape not fitted

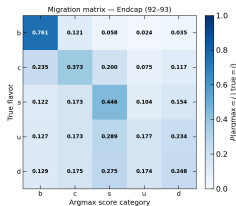
Fit interface

event scores $\rightarrow$ argmax + thresholds
 $\rightarrow$ four exclusive bins / detector region

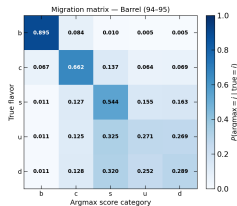
Detector era drives the 1992–1995 tagging hierarchy



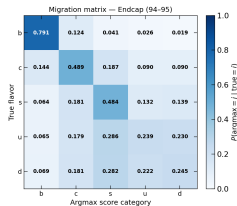
1992–1993 barrel



1992–1993 endcap



1994–1995 barrel



1994–1995 endcap

Heavy flavor

$b \rightarrow b$: stable · barrel > endcap

1994 VD upgrade

$c \rightarrow c$: 0.42–0.44 $\rightarrow$ 0.59–0.61

Analysis period

1994–1995 nominal · 1992–1993 performance cross-check

Rows: true flavor; columns: maximum-score category

Exclusive bins, nominal thresholds, and an MC-only reference

One event $\rightarrow$ one bin

b -enr $s_b = \max(s_b, s_c, s_s, s_u, s_d),$
 $s_b \geq \theta_b$

c -enr not b -enr, $s_c \geq s_s, s_c \geq \theta_c$

s -enr not b/c -enr,
 $s_s \geq \max(s_u, s_d), s_s \geq \theta_s$

rest all remaining events

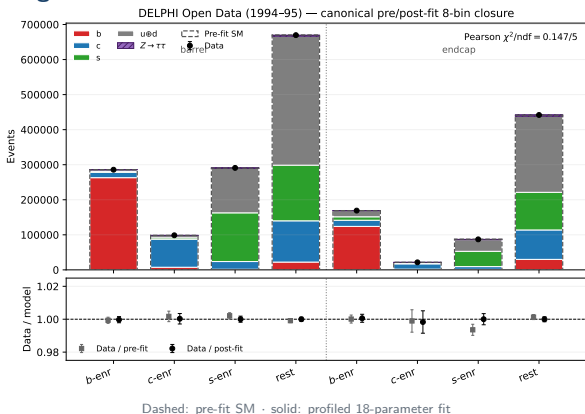
Threshold comparison

Choice	Barrel (b, c, s)	Endcap (b, c, s)
Nominal	0.35, 0.75, 0.35	0.25, 0.70, 0.40
MC-only proxy	0.45, 0.65, 0.40	0.45, 0.80, 0.40

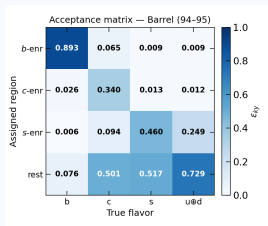
proxy purities: $P_b \gtrsim 80\%, P_c \gtrsim 75\%,$
 $P_s \gtrsim 50\%$

80/80/60% target: no stable scanned point
 nominal: Data/MC closure proxy: MC-only
 cross-check

Eight observed counts

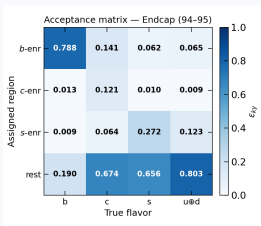


Acceptance and purity define the eight-bin response



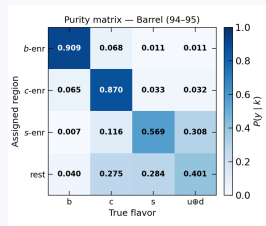
Acceptance

barrel



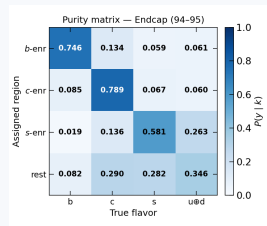
Acceptance

endcap



Purity

barrel



Purity

endcap

Acceptance $A_{r,t,f}$

truth flavor $f \rightarrow$ assigned bin t · direct likelihood input

Purity $P(f | r, t)$

SM-weighted composition · barrel/endcap contrast
· working-point interpretation

Eight counts constrain three POIs and fifteen nuisance parameters

Poisson counting model

$$n_{r,t} \sim \text{Pois} \left[(N_r - B_r) \sum_{f=b,c,s,ud} R_f A_{r,t,f}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \alpha_{\text{frag}}) + B_{r,t} \right]$$

$$R_{ud} = 1 - R_b^0 - R_c^0 - R_s^0$$

$$-2 \ln L = -2 \sum_{r,t} \ln \text{Pois}(n_{r,t} \mid \lambda_{r,t}) + \sum_i \frac{(\theta_i - \mu_i)^2}{\sigma_i^2}$$

Parameter inventory

$$3 + 15 = 18$$

3 POIs: R_b^0, R_c^0, R_s^0
8 flavor-column response NPs
4 detector / bin-response NPs
2 $ud \rightarrow s$ mistag NPs
1 fragmentation NP

$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ background

KoralZ template $\cdot f_\tau = 0.489\% \cdot 10,104$ events
per-bin 0.04%–1.34% $\cdot$ fixed additive term $\cdot \pm 2\%$
normalization negligible

Uncertainty propagation

15 Gaussian-constrained NPs profiled $\cdot$ threshold
choice as external discrete envelope

Fifteen constrained nuisance parameters: priors and definitions

How each flavor-column prior is set

Data-MC gap + statistics $\Rightarrow$ Core response width
 $|\delta_{\text{data-MC}}| + \sigma_{\text{stat}} \quad \sigma_{\text{core}}$

current: signal-region residual $\rightarrow$ circularity risk calibration

$\oplus$ Hadronization allowance $\Rightarrow$ Gaussian response prior
 $\sigma_{\text{had},f} \quad \delta_f \sim N(0, \sigma_f)$

$\Rightarrow$ replace with: source-specific MC variations / independent CR

Flavor response · 8 NPs

Parameter	Prior	Target
$\delta_{b^{\text{brl}}}$	$N(0, 0.00384)$	barrel b
$\delta_{b^{\text{ec}}}$	$N(0, 0.00496)$	endcap b
$\delta_{c^{\text{brl}}}$	$N(0, 0.00928)$	barrel c
$\delta_{c^{\text{ec}}}$	$N(0, 0.01604)$	endcap c
$\delta_{s^{\text{brl}}}$	$N(0, 0.02214)$	barrel s
$\delta_{s^{\text{ec}}}$	$N(0, 0.03433)$	endcap s
$\delta_{ud^{\text{brl}}}$	$N(0, 0.01811)$	barrel ud
$\delta_{ud^{\text{ec}}}$	$N(0, 0.03417)$	endcap ud

core + hadronization in each width

Detector, bin, physics · 7 NPs

Parameter	Prior	Target / source
$\delta_{\text{det},l}^{\text{brl}}$	$N(0, 0.010)$	barrel IP
$\delta_{\text{det},l}^{\text{ec}}$	$N(0, 0.00880)$	endcap common
$\delta_{\text{pid}}^{\text{brl}}$	$N(0, 0.015)$	PID envelope
$\delta_{\text{ec},\text{res}}^{\text{brl}}$	$N(0, 0.021)$	endcap s -enr.
$\delta_{ud \rightarrow s}^{\text{brl}}$	$N(0, 0.15)$	barrel mistag
$\delta_{ud \rightarrow s}^{\text{ec}}$	$N(0, 0.15)$	endcap mistag
α_{frag}	$\mathcal{N}(+.031, .029)$	kaon yield

α_{frag} best fit $+0.0134 \cdot \text{pull } -0.63\sigma$

Hadronization + threshold

$\sigma_{\text{had}}^{b/c/s/ud} = (.0024, .0058, .0125, .0121)$ in flavor priors · external WP $\Delta(R_b^0, R_c^0, R_s^0) = (.00016, .00010, .00151)$

Systematic uncertainty coverage and remaining estimates

Total systematic inventory

Source	Status	Prior / variation	ΔR_b^0	ΔR_c^0	ΔR_s^0
Included in the quoted uncertainty					
flavor-column response (8 NPs)	covered	0.00384–0.03433	0.00075	0.00144	0.01132
$ud \rightarrow s$ mistag (2 NPs)	covered	$N(0, 0.15)$ / region	0.00011	0.00033	0.02418
detector / PID / bin response	covered	0.00880–0.021	0.00008	0.00007	0.01012
fragmentation response	covered	$\mathcal{N}(+.031, .029)$	0.00044	0.00034	0.00583
hadronization proxy	covered	$\sigma^{b/c/s/ud}$	0.00053	0.00106	0.00995
threshold choice	covered	σ^{had} discrete WP envelope	0.00016	0.00010	0.00151
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	covered	$f = 0.489\%$, norm. $\pm 2\%$	$< 10^{-4}$	$< 10^{-4}$	$< 10^{-4}$
quoted total	covered	NP covariance $\oplus$ threshold	0.00084	0.00148	0.02541
Not yet represented by independent nuisance parameters					
independent tag	partial	no independent prior	$\lesssim 0.00075$	$\lesssim 0.00144$	$\lesssim 0.02418$
calibration					
hard radiation / topology	open	DELPHI gluon-rad. scale	~ 0.00022	–	–
1995 beam / ISR	open	peak-only joint stress	0.00024	0.00026	0.00440
composition					
year-specific detector response	partial	raw 1994/95 diagnostic	0.00055	0.00538	0.0429

covered rows enter the quoted total and report the largest marginal impact per POI · open estimates overlap and must not be added as independent 1σ terms

Largest magnitude

$$\max |\rho_{ij}| = 0.262$$

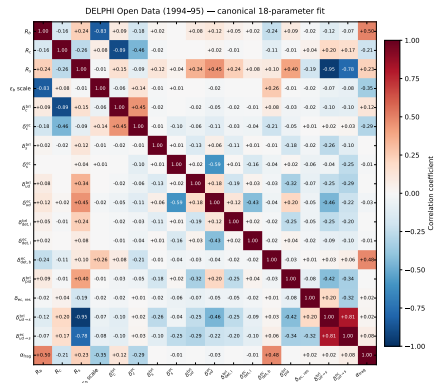
POI correlation coefficients

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(R_b^0, R_c^0) &= -0.161 \\ \rho(R_b^0, R_s^0) &= +0.240 \\ \rho(R_c^0, R_s^0) &= -0.262 \end{aligned}$$

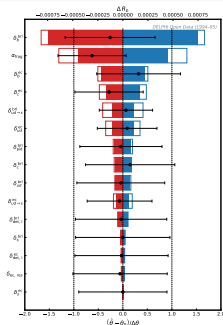
Interpretation

weak-to-moderate POI coupling
larger NP-POI / NP-NP structure

Full 18-parameter correlation matrix

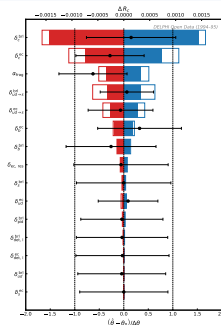


Marginal impacts identify the limiting response directions



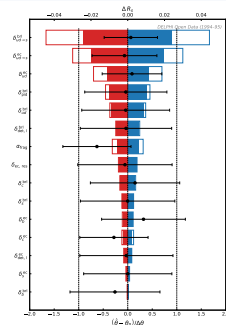
R_b^0 leading term

$$\delta_b^{\text{brl}}: \Delta R_b^0 = 0.00075$$



R_c^0 leading term

$$\delta_c^{\text{brl}}: \Delta R_c^0 = 0.00144$$



R_s^0 leading term

$$\delta_{ud \rightarrow s}^{\text{brl}}: \Delta R_s^0 = 0.02418$$

Marginal post-fit impacts; correlated projections, not additive rows

Joint result and barrel/endcap cross-checks

 R_b^0 **0.21618** $\pm 0.00035_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.00084_{\text{syst}}$ R_c^0 **0.17204** $\pm 0.00064_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.00148_{\text{syst}}$ R_s^0 **0.22357** $\pm 0.00138_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.02541_{\text{syst}}$

Detector-region fits

Region	R_b^0	R_c^0	R_s^0
Barrel	$0.21600 \pm 0.00040 \pm 0.00106$	$0.17227 \pm 0.00069 \pm 0.00313$	$0.23227 \pm 0.00166 \pm 0.04418$
Endcap	$0.21780 \pm 0.00073 \pm 0.00361$	$0.16958 \pm 0.00179 \pm 0.00621$	$0.22820 \pm 0.00269 \pm 0.04722$

External comparison

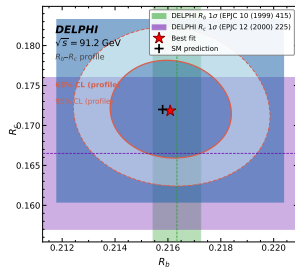
 R_b^0 : DELPHI compatible · R_c^0 : SM compatible R_s^0 : OPAL $d = s$ comparison within uncertainty

Precision regime

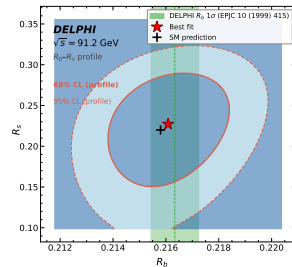
 R_b^0, R_c^0 : response-prior limited · R_s^0 : $ud \rightarrow s$ mistag
and light-flavor response limited

Two-dimensional profile-likelihood contours

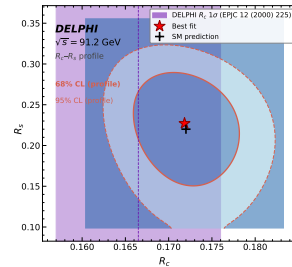
$$R_b^0 - R_c^0$$



$$R_b^0 - R_s^0$$



$$R_c^0 - R_s^0$$



Fit geometry

68% and 95% profile contours · all remaining parameters profiled · legacy contour set retained

Year combination: which uncertainties must decorrelate

1995 off-peak share
31.85%
selected data

Peak-only residual split
 $4.17\sigma_{R_c^0}, 10.49\sigma_{R_s^0}$
beam mix not sufficient

ISR score response
0.84%
maximum argmax TVD

Cross-year covariance model

Source	1994–1995 treatment	Fit representation
R_b^0, R_c^0, R_s^0	correlated	common POIs
fragmentation / hadronization physics	correlated	common physics-response terms
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ width normalization	correlated	common normalization
beam-energy mix / ISR exposure	decorrelated	year-specific composition / variation
RICH, TPC, VD calibration and validity	decorrelated or period blocks	year-specific detector-response NPs
MC acceptance statistics	decorrelated	independent year/flavor covariance
run quality / Beam_errorCode residuals	decorrelated	year-specific data-quality term

Combination principle

shared physics + year-specific detector / beam / MC terms $\neq$ raw 1994–1995 spread as one extra nuisance

Summary: direct R_s^0 , compact counting fit, remaining response work

Physics result

$R_b^0 = 0.21618 \pm 0.00091$ $R_c^0 = 0.17204 \pm 0.00161$
 $R_s^0 = 0.22357 \pm 0.02544$
direct R_s^0 · no $d = s$ constraint · LEP / SM compatible

Analysis design

2.064M events · holistic five-flavor ParticleNet
8 exclusive counts · barrel + endcap
3 POIs · 15 constrained NPs · fixed $\tau\tau$

Main message

modern event classification recovers LEP flavor information; final precision now follows the response model

Uncertainty picture

R_b^0 : δ_b^{brl} · R_c^0 : δ_c^{brl}
 R_s^0 : $ud \rightarrow s$ mistag + light-flavor response
threshold envelope external · $\max |\rho_{\text{POI}}| = 0.262$

Next uncertainty model

independent tag-response calibration
alternative-generator acceptance variations
year-specific RICH / TPC / beam composition
1992–1993: dedicated retraining or score calibration