

# $W^+ / W^-$ cross-section ratio with STAR Run 2017

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# Recap

## 3. Predictions

### FEWZ predictions

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- Total: Note  $\approx$  35% reduction from 0 jet cut.

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- $\sim$ 30% shift in  $W^+ / W^-$  cross section  
→ mis-estimation of **spTbal** cut efficiency with **mock-W** sample (Z data)
- The origin of Z mismatch (FEWZ vs Data) needs to be understood
  - Discussion with Werner and Daniel postponed
- **Strategy**
  - Independent extraction of Z cross section to identify potential sources of FEWZ-data mismatch
  - Using Run 17 data with (pseudo) Run 13 cuts
  - Results will be reproduced with Run 17 cuts

# Selection cuts

| Criteria                                       | This study                      | Run 17                                    |
|--|---------------------------------|---|
| Trigger  | L2BW    L2EW                    | L2BW    L2EW                              |
| Vertex $N_{vtx}$                               | $\geq 3$ (data), $\geq 1$ (MC)  |   |
| Vertex $ Z_{vtx} $                             | $< 100$ cm                      | $< 100$ cm                                |
| Vertex Rank                                    | $> 0$                           | $> 0$                                     |
| Track $N_{hit,fit}$                            | $> 15$                          |   |
| Track $N_{hit,fit}/N_{hit,poss}$               | $> 0.51$                        |   |
| Track $R_{TPC,in}$                             | $< 90$ cm                       |   |
| Track $R_{TPC,out}$                            | $> 160$ cm                      |   |
| Track $p_T$ (presel)                           | $> 10$ GeV                      |   |
| <b>Cluster <math>E_T</math></b>                | <b><math>&gt; 15</math> GeV</b> | <b><math>&gt; 25</math> GeV</b>           |
| Cluster $E_T/E_T^{4 \times 4}$                 | $> 0.95$                        |   |
| <b>Cluster <math>E_T/E_T^{near}</math></b>     | <b><math>&gt; 0.88</math></b>   | <b><math>&gt; 0.90</math></b>             |
| Cluster $\Delta R$                             | $< 7$ cm                        |   |
| Candidate $\Delta\phi^{e^+e^-}$                | $> \pi/2$                       | $> 0$ (Not Applied)                       |
| <b>Candidate <math>q \times E_T/p_T</math></b> | <b><math> X  &lt; 3</math></b>  | <b><math>0.4 &lt;  X  &lt; 1.8</math></b> |

# Truth-Level Kinematic Range

| This study                       | Run 17                           |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| $p_{T,e} > 15 \text{ GeV}$       | $p_{T,e} > 25 \text{ GeV}$       |
| $ \eta_e  < 1$                   | $ \eta_e  < 1$                   |
| $70 < M_{inv} < 110 \text{ GeV}$ | $73 < M_{inv} < 114 \text{ GeV}$ |

- Differences: This study (Run 13 pub) vs Run 17 pub
  - Minor differences in cluster isolation
  - Charge mis-identification needs to be understood
  - Differences in the  $p_{T,e}$  range → any big impact?

# Strategy

- Like-sign pairs are subtracted from data

- $M^{data} = M^{sig} - M^{bgr}$

11 + 10 = What we see  
11 + 01 = What we want

- MC events distributed into the following groups:

- Group 11** = Event reconstructed + **passes** all detector-level selection, and falls **inside** the (truth-level) kinematic range of the measurement
  - Group 10** = Event reconstructed + **passes** all detector-level selection, but falls **outside** the truth-level range (migration BGR)
  - Group 01** = Event is not reconstructed/**does not pass** the selection, but falls **inside** the truth-level range (inefficiency)
  - Group 00** = Event correctly **rejected**

- Truth-level yield from data extracted by

= Efficiency cor. × Unfolding × Migration BG cor.

$$N^{data} = N_{11}^{data} + N_{01}^{data} = \frac{N_{11}^{MC} + N_{01}^{MC}}{N_{11}^{MC}} \times A^{-1} \left[ \frac{M_{11}^{MC}}{M_{11}^{MC} + M_{10}^{MC}} \times M^{data} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{dX} = \frac{1}{L} \times \frac{N_i^{data}}{\Delta X_i}$$

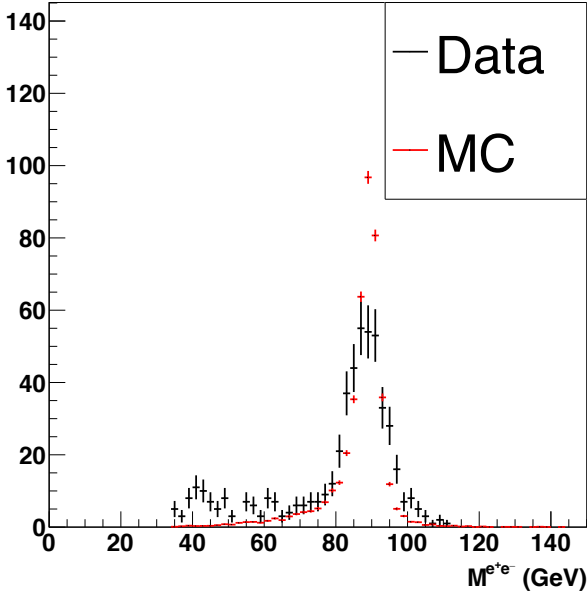
- Simple binwise unfolding performed to convert  $M \rightarrow N$

$$A^{-1} \rightarrow N_{11}^{MC} / M_{11}^{MC}$$

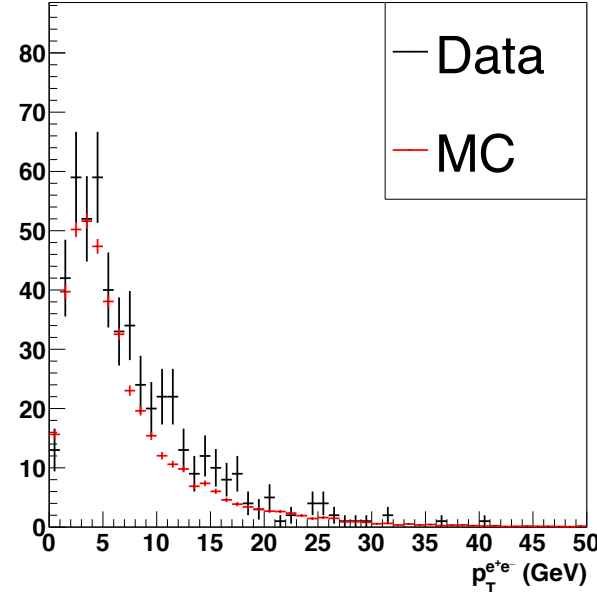
# Reconstructed Signal

(No mass window cut for all plots)

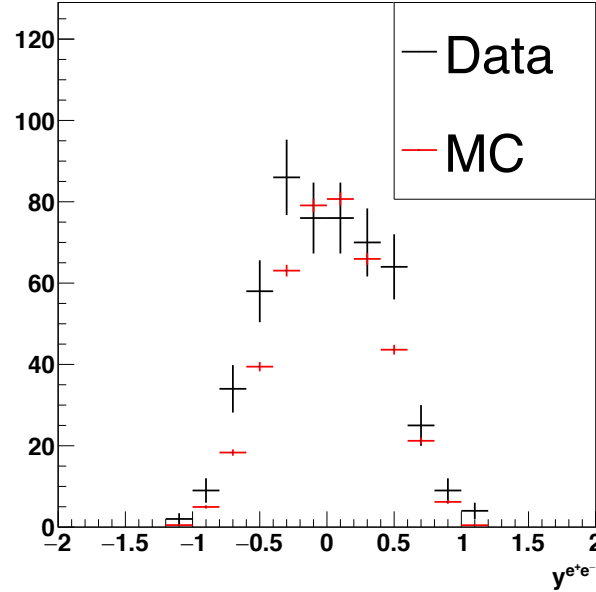
Z mass



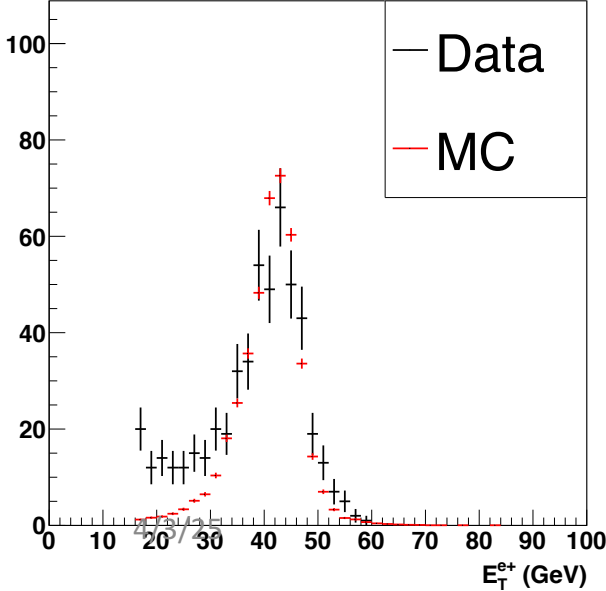
pT



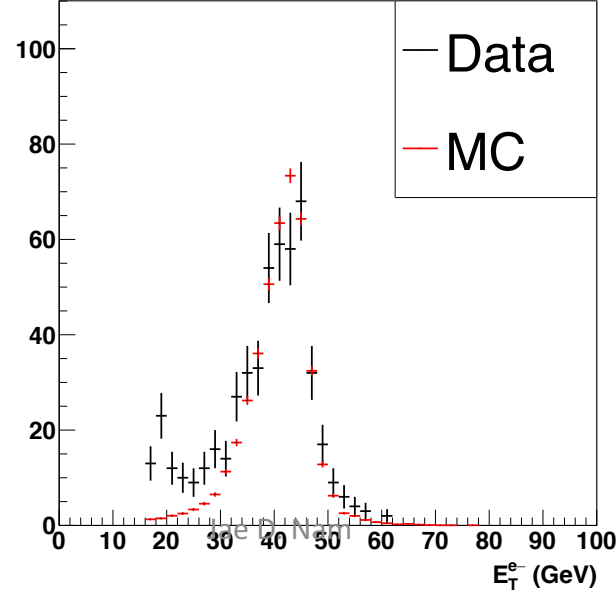
rapidity



$E_{T,e+}$



$E_{T,e-}$

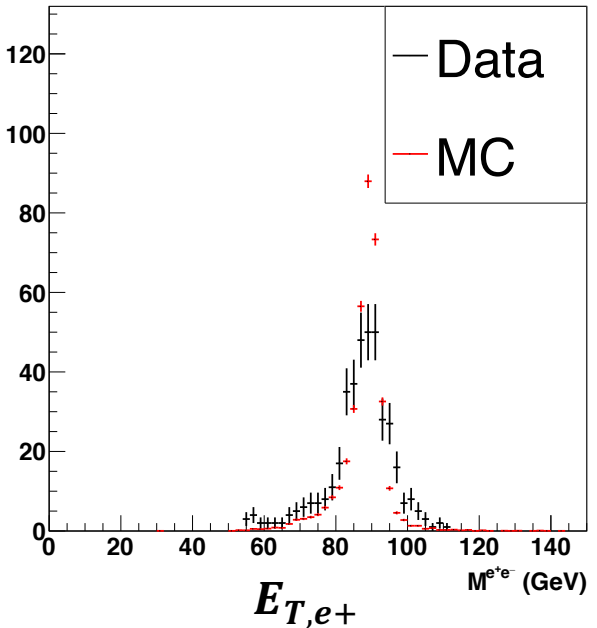


- Wider mass peak in data due to BEMC calibration not reproduced well in MC
- Low mass background → Estimated in Run 17 publication with Like-sign distribution
- $E_{T,e}$  cut from 25 to 15 GeV → ~14% of data, ~ 3% MC → mass correlation needs to be understood

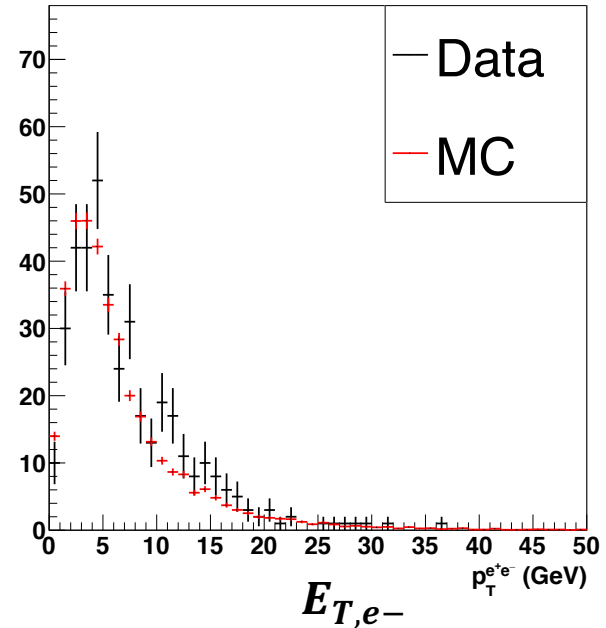


# Reconstructed Signal (Run 17 cuts)

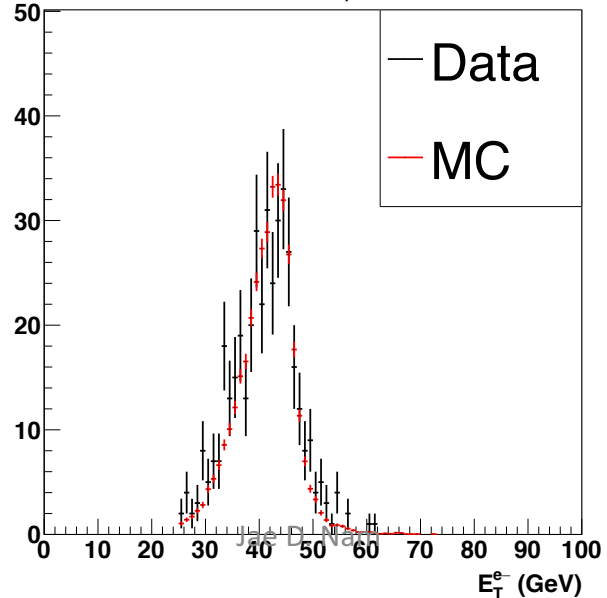
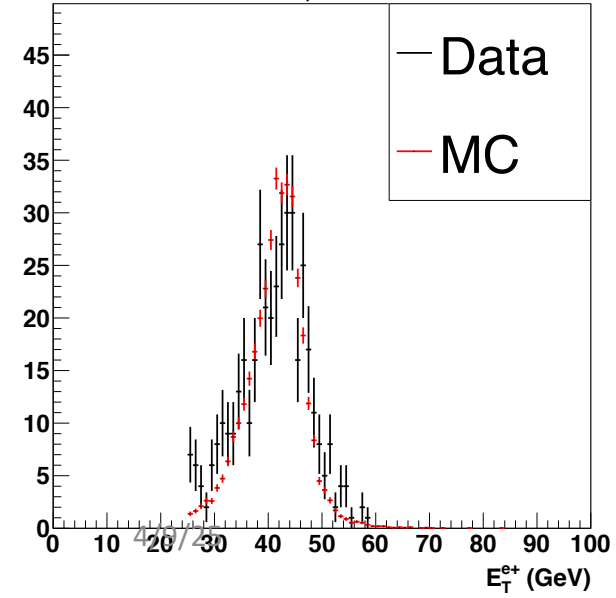
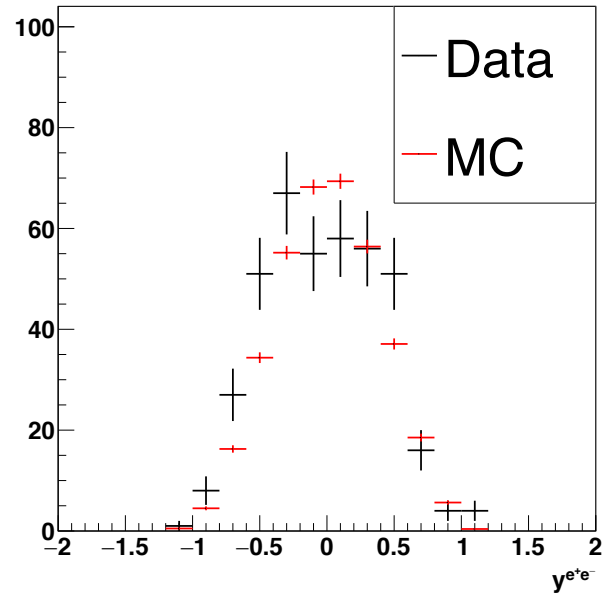
Z mass



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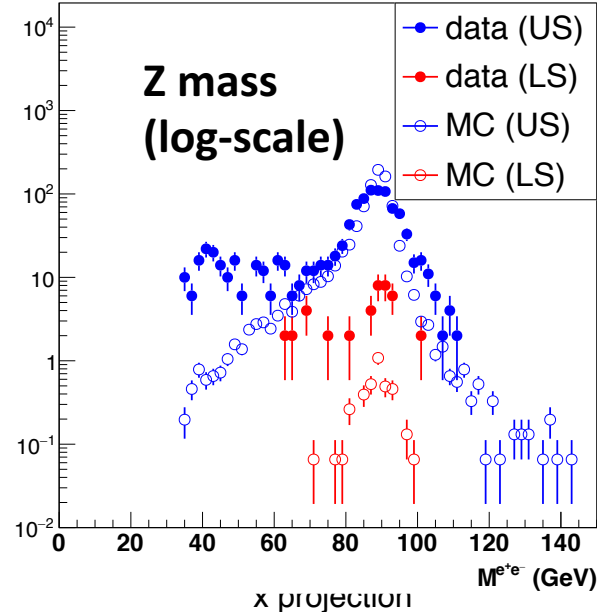
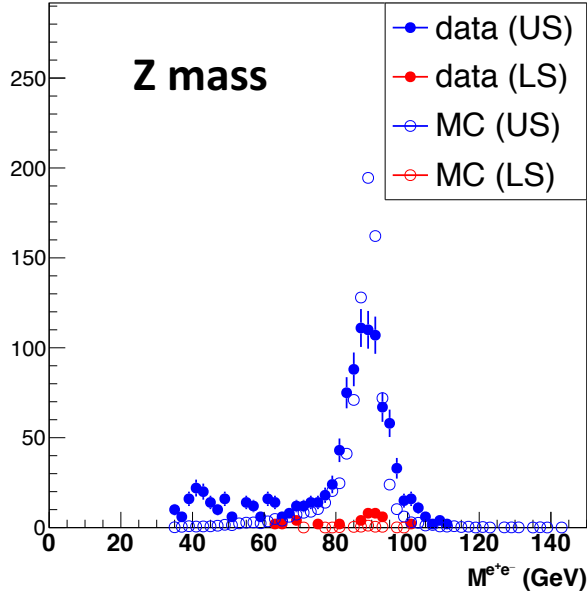
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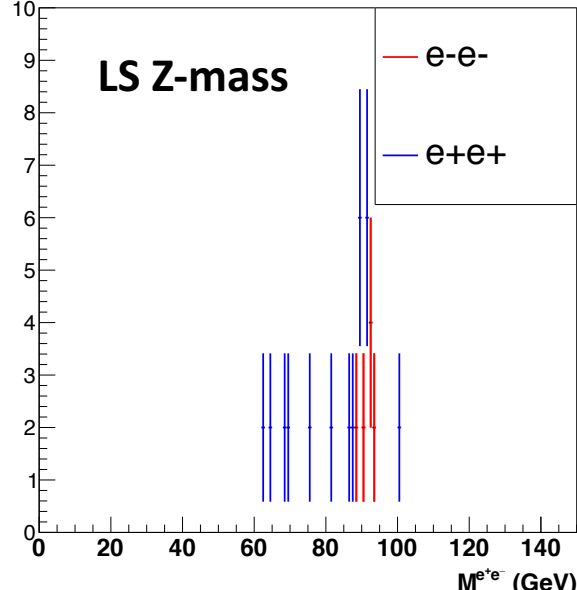
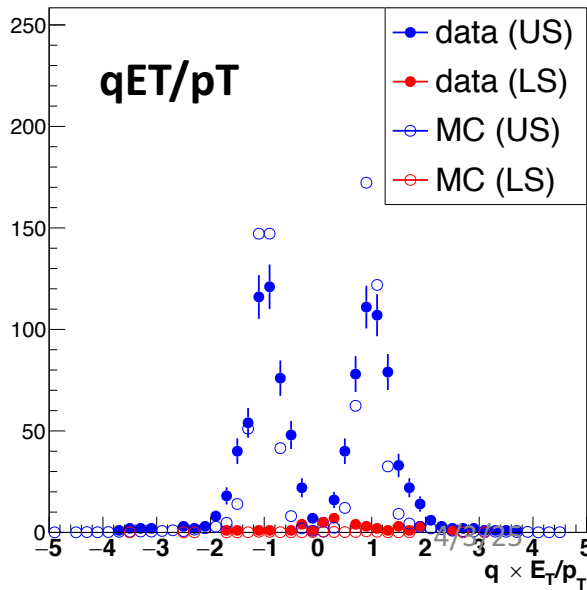
- Wider mass peak in data due to BEMC calibration not reproduced well in MC
- Low mass background disappears with Run 17 cuts



# Charge mis-identification

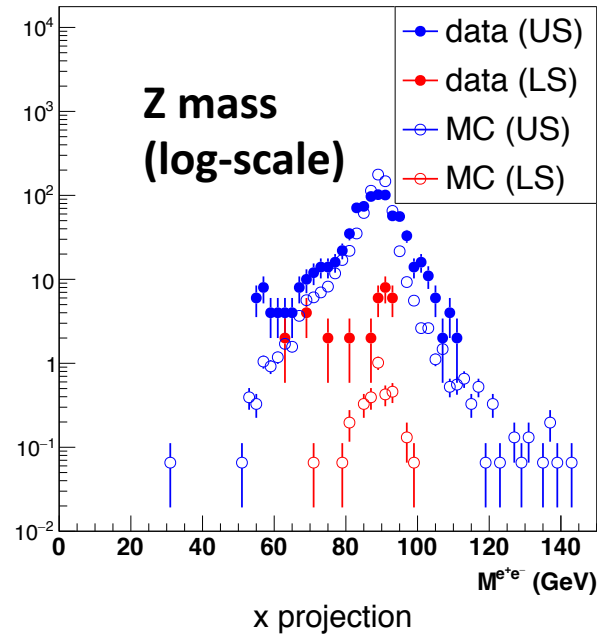
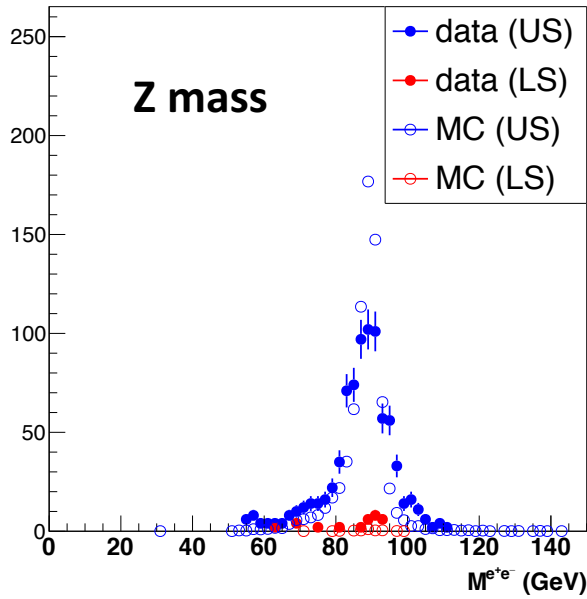


- $qE_T/p_T$  cut at  $\pm 3 \rightarrow 0.4-1.8$  cuts out about 16% in data and 4% in MC
- LS background  $\sim 20$  events (4%) mostly occupying  $\sim M_Z$  region, indicating they are likely true Z events with incorrect charge assignment

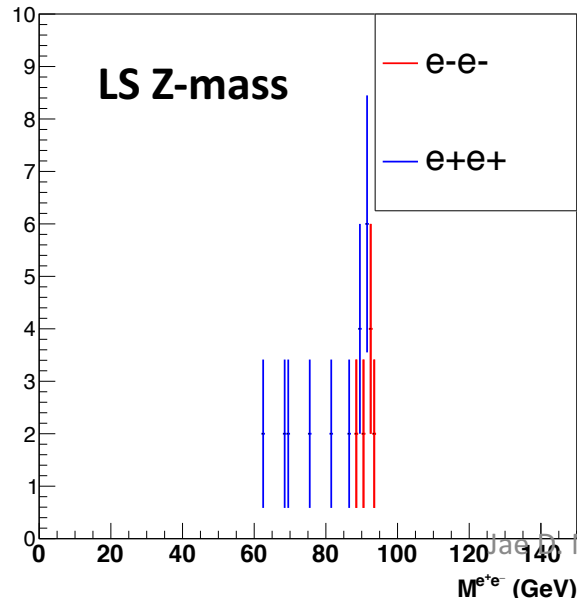
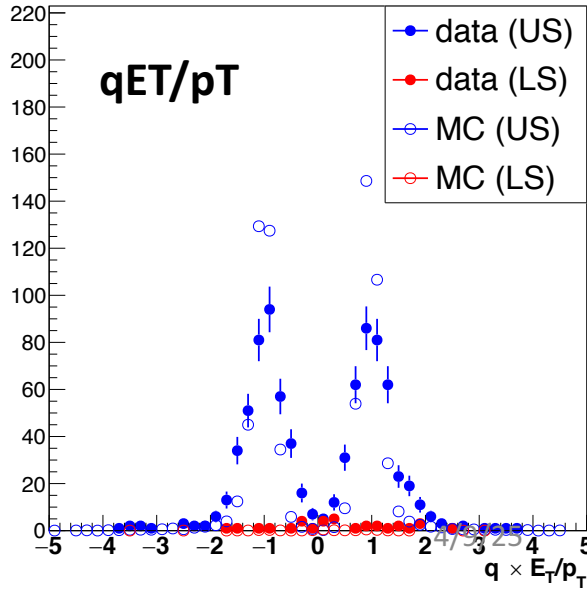




# Charge mis-identification (Run 17 cuts)

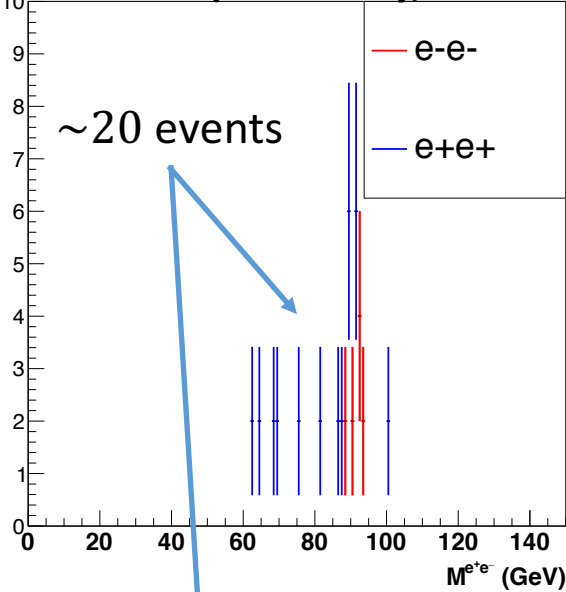


- Similar behavior with Run 17 cuts
- LS background really a background?
- qET/pT cut at [0.4, 1.8] justified?

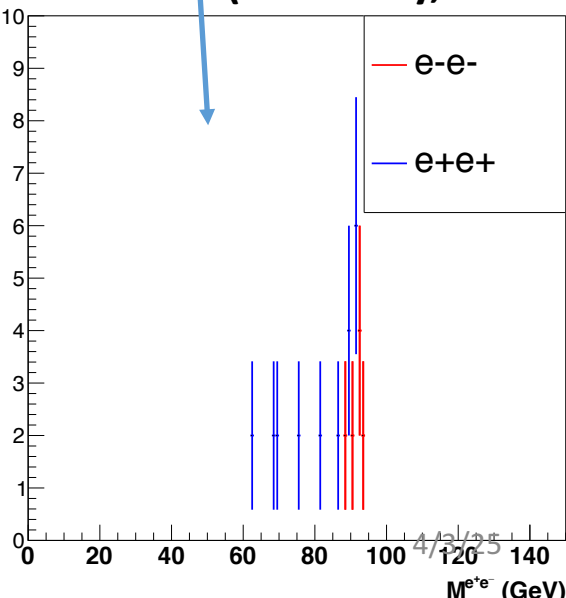


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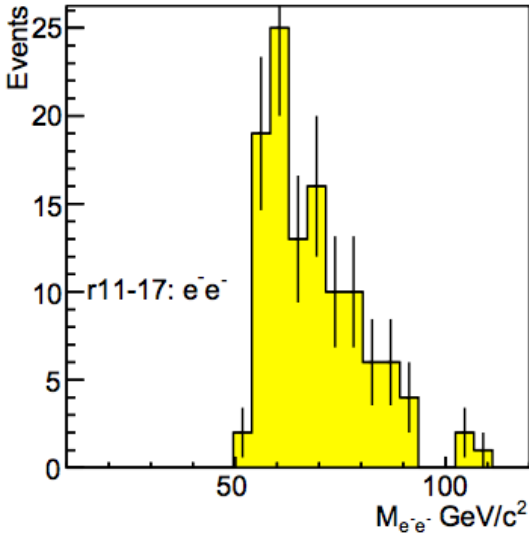
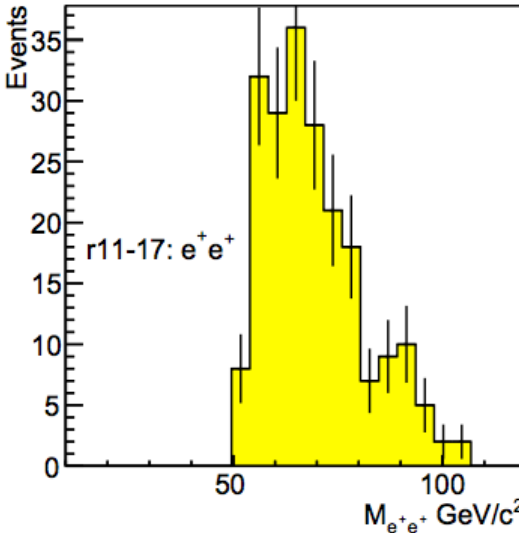
LS Z-mass (this study, Run 13 cuts)



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Run 17 Z publication (analysis note)



Run 13 W/Z publication (analysis note)

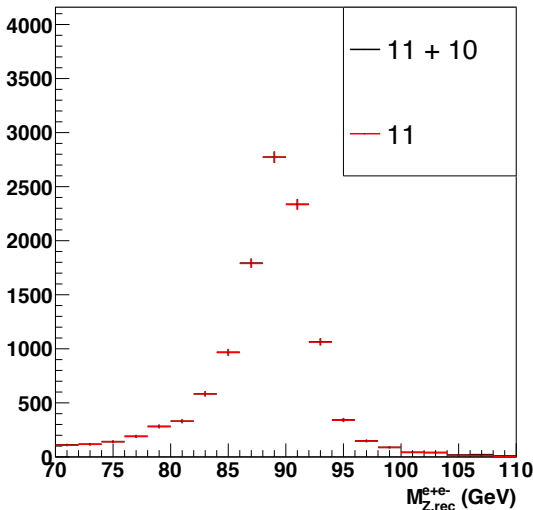
| Run | Unlike Charges | Like Charges | Like Charges/Total (%) |
|-----|----------------|--------------|------------------------|
| 11  | 33             | 1            | 3.0                    |
| 12  | 80             | 2            | 2.5                    |
| 13  | 298            | 13           | 4.4                    |

- Mismatch in LS BGR between Run 17 pub and this study currently being investigated

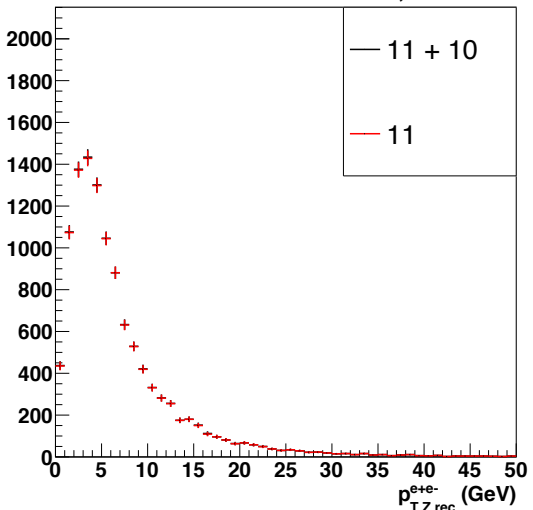


# Migration Background (MC)

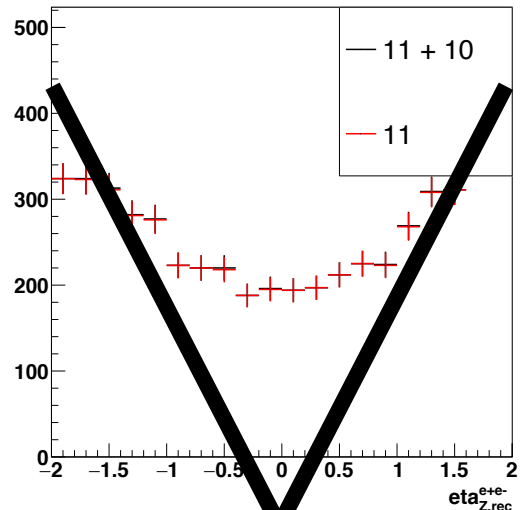
Raw yield (MZ)



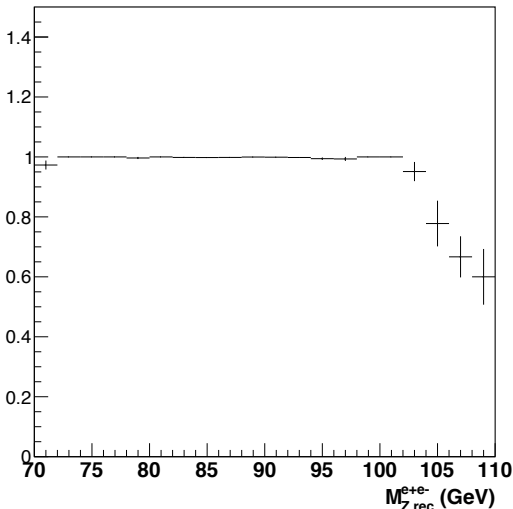
Raw yield ( $p_{T,Z}$ )



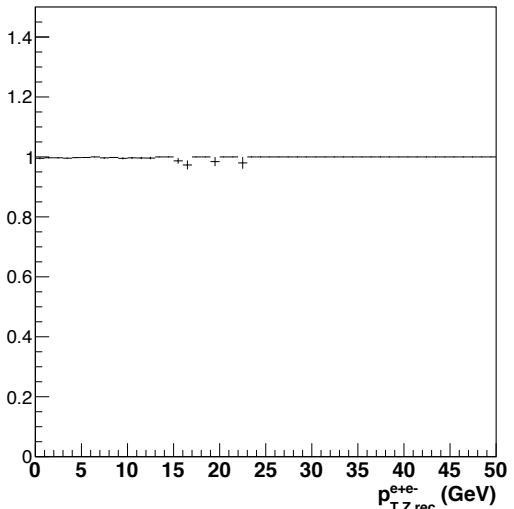
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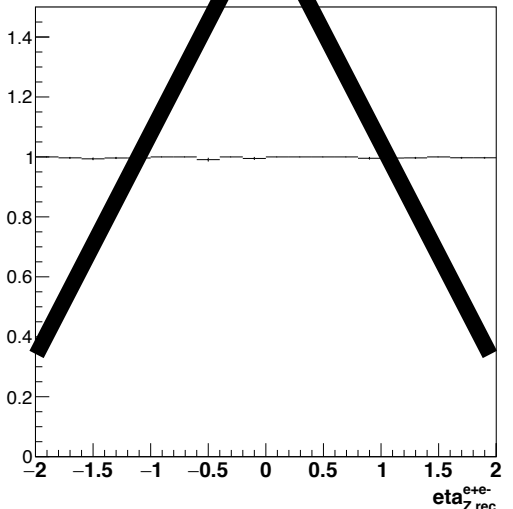
Correction (MZ)



Correction ( $p_{T,Z}$ )



Correction ( $y_Z$ )



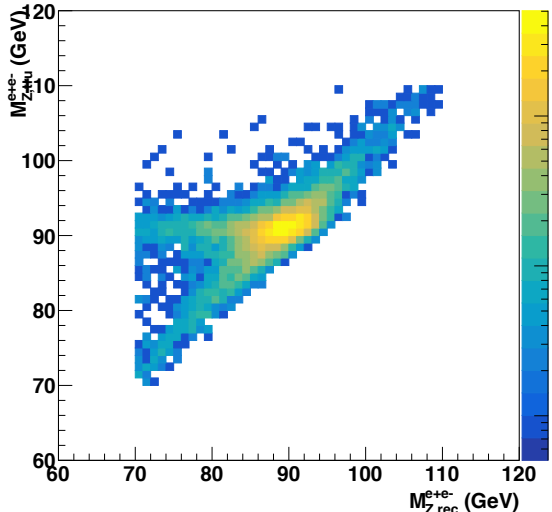
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- No results with Run 17 cuts available from this point and on

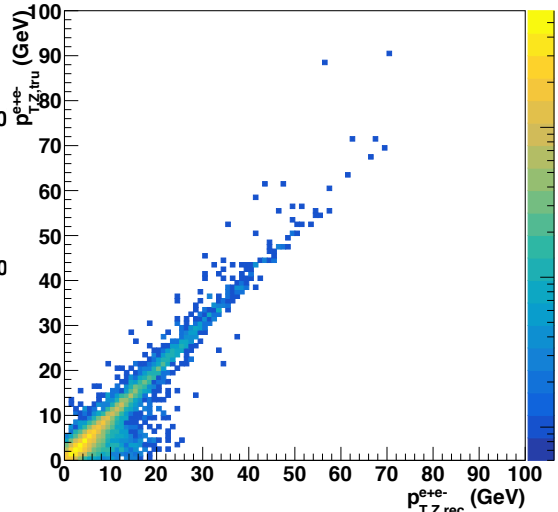


# Unfolding (MC)

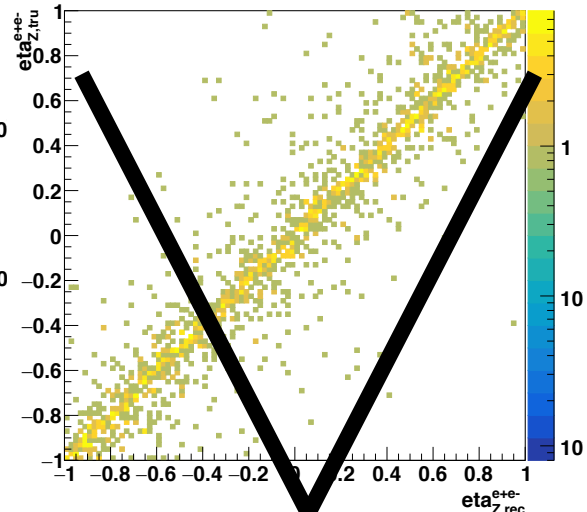
Migration Matrix ( $M_Z$ )



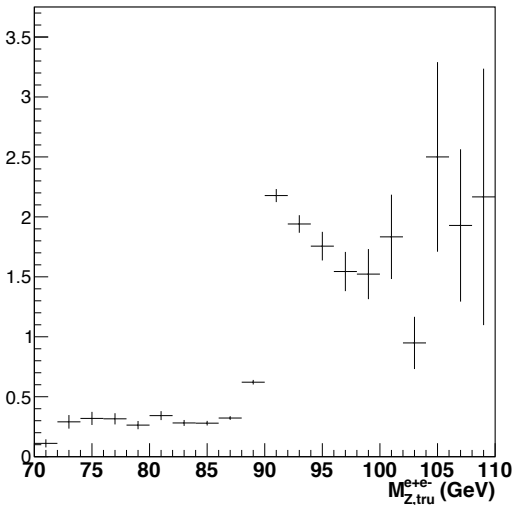
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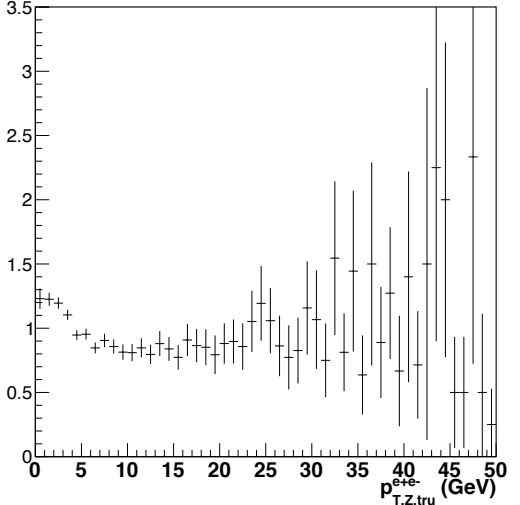
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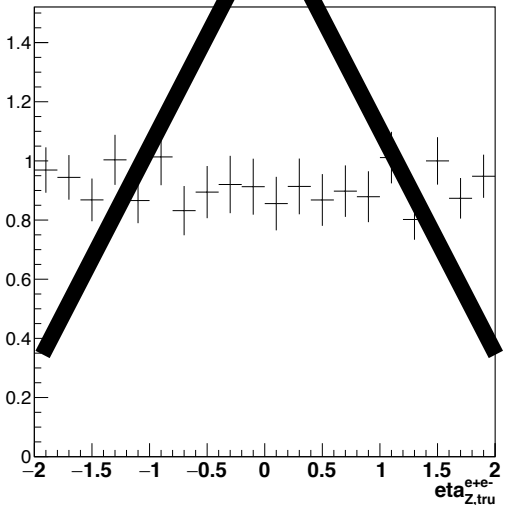
Binwise correction ( $M_Z$ )



Binwise correction ( $p_{T,Z}$ )

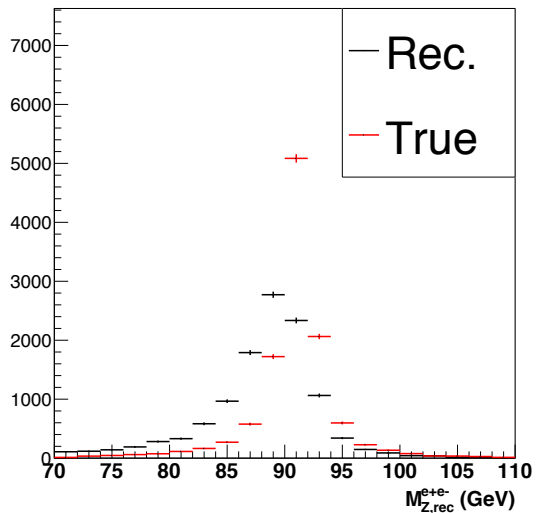


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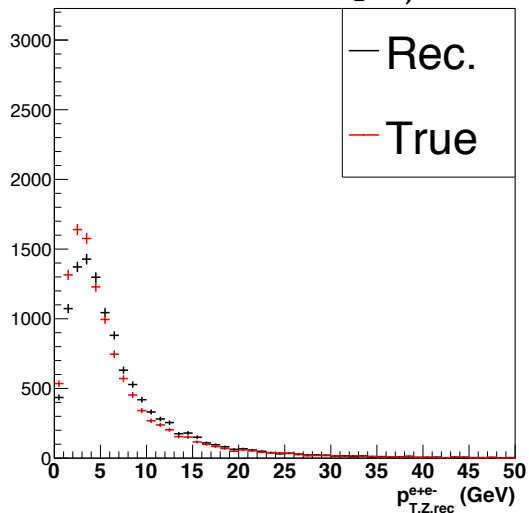


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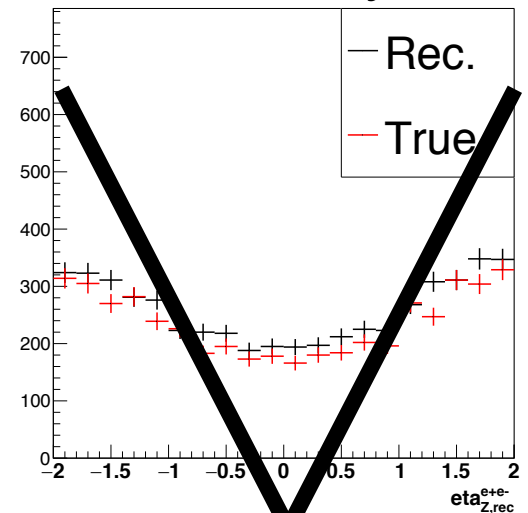
Raw yield ( $M_Z$ )



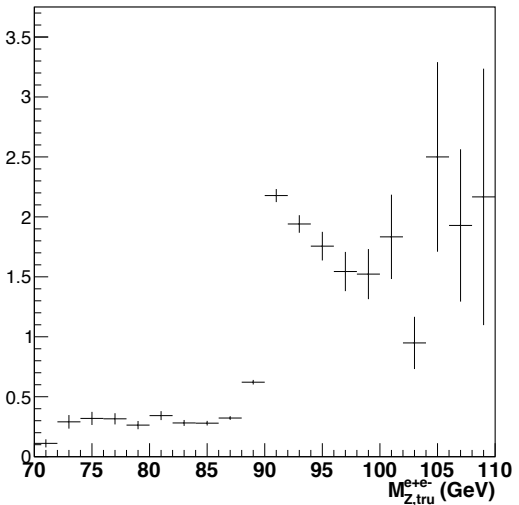
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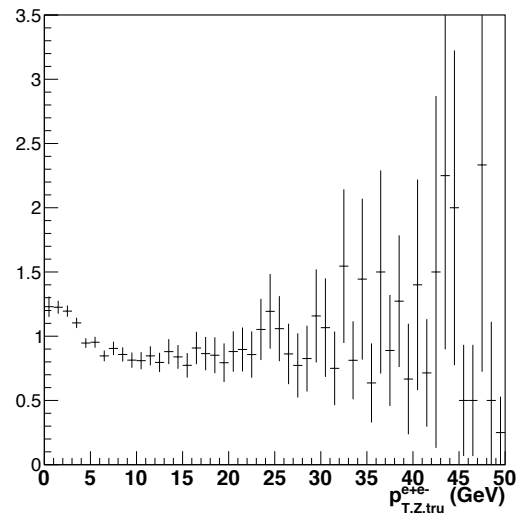
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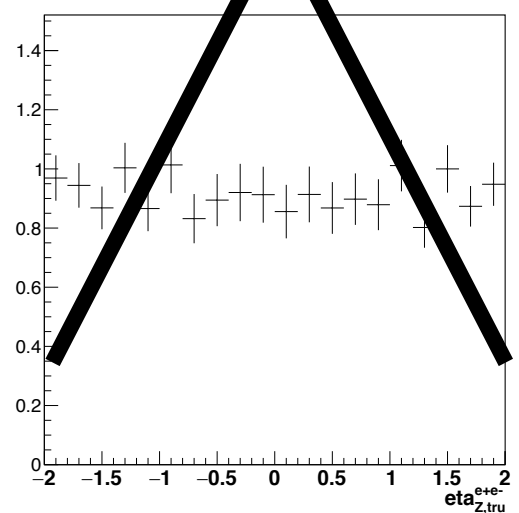
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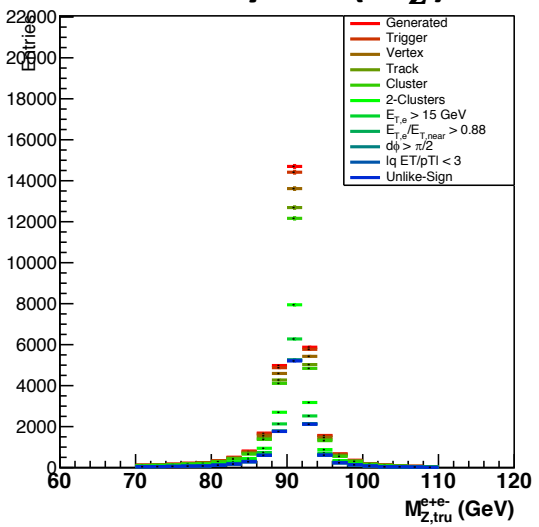
Binwise correction ( $y_Z$ )



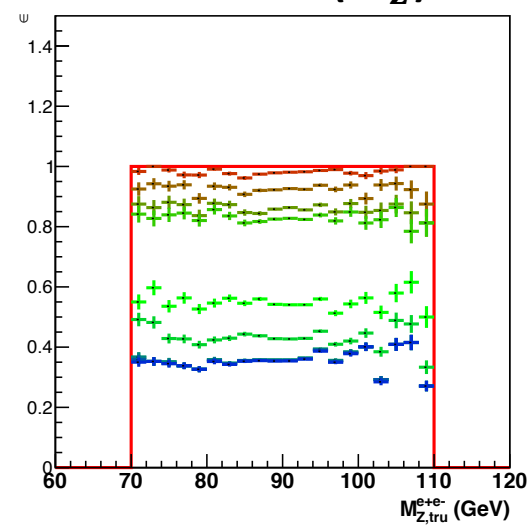
# Efficiency



Raw yield ( $M_Z$ )

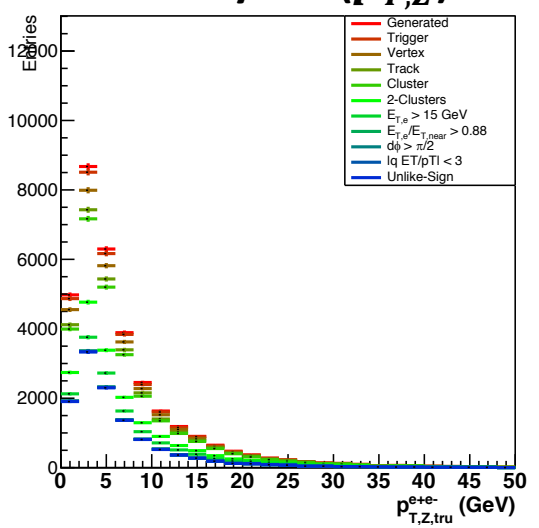


Correction ( $M_Z$ )

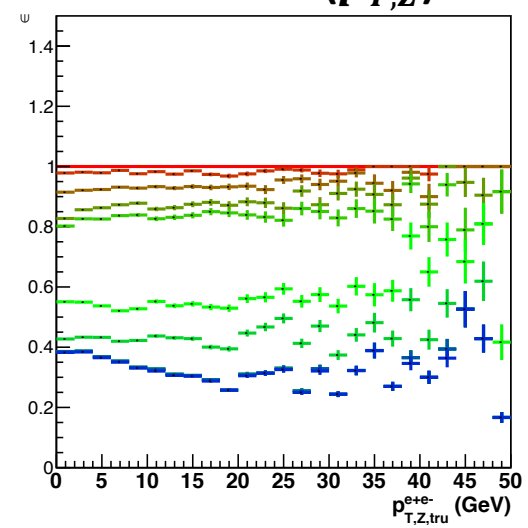


- No significant  $M_Z$  bias
- ETnear cut disfavors high pTZ events  
→ How well does MC capture high-pT suppression?  
(Integrated pT study suggest < 4% impact)

Raw yield ( $p_{T,Z}$ )



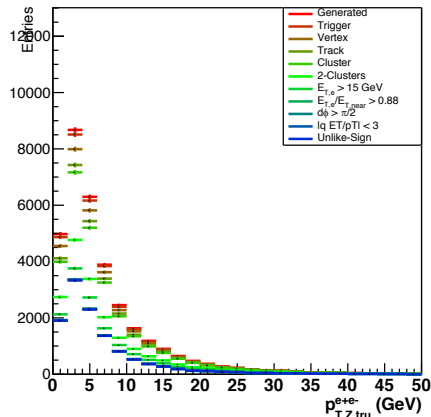
Correction ( $p_{T,Z}$ )



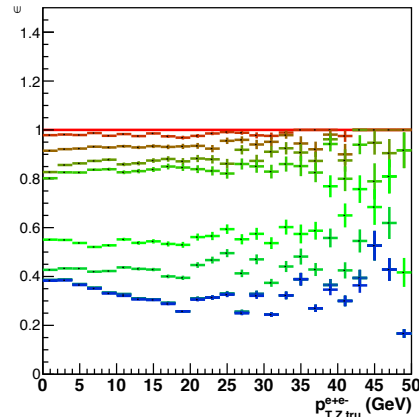
# $p_T$ efficiency

This study

Raw yield ( $p_T$ )



Efficiency ( $p_T$ )

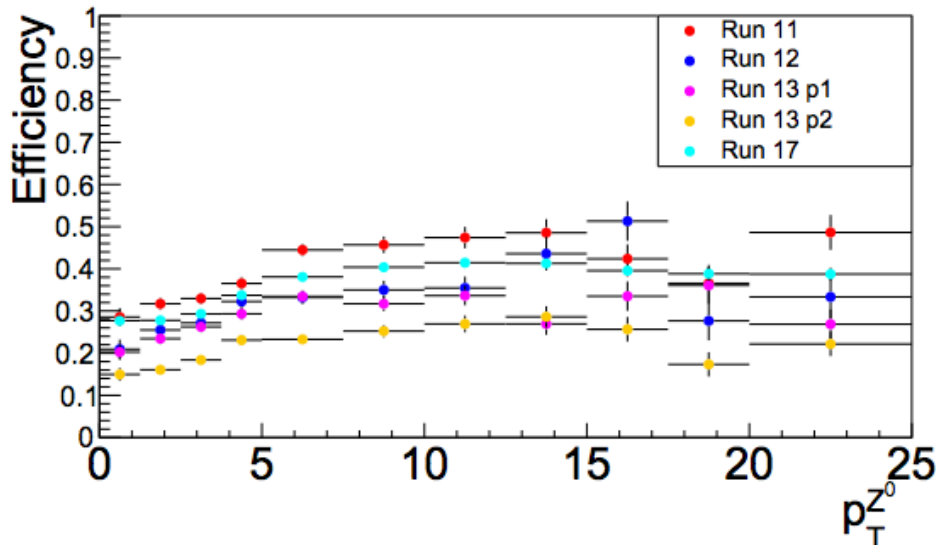


- Run 17 pub vs this study

- Similar magnitude, opposite trend
- Perhaps, in previous publications, detector- $p_T$ ?
- Mechanism behind low  $p_{TZ}$  suppression?
- Currently under investigation (can have an impact on the final result)

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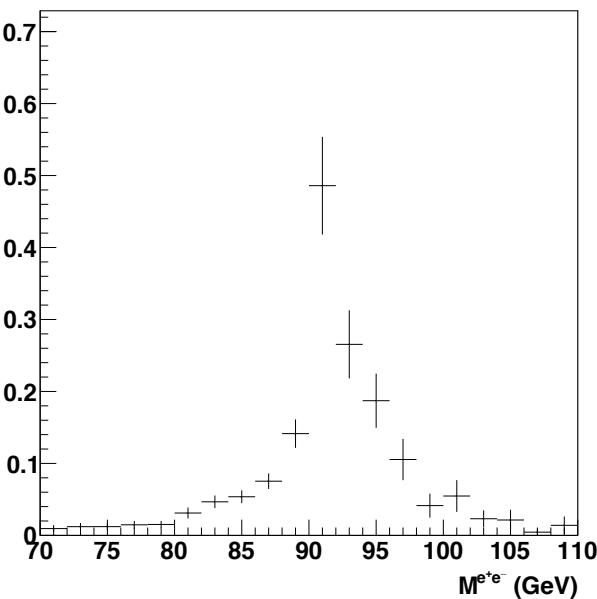
$p_{TZ}$  Efficiency (Run 17 pub)



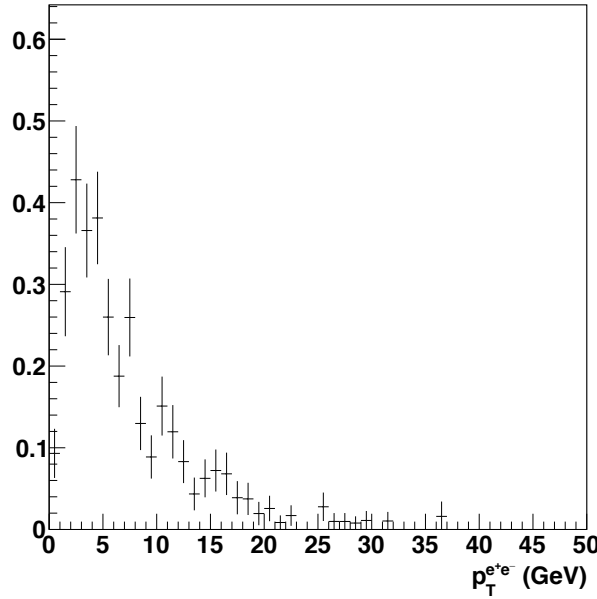
# Results

3% difference  
Multi-dimensional unfolding more suitable?

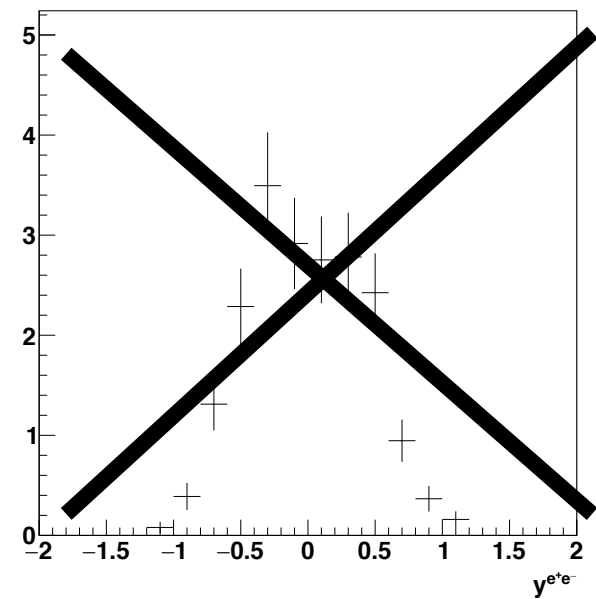
Integrated cross section =  $3.22958 \pm 0.211817$  pb



Integrated cross section =  $3.32483 \pm 0.174257$  pb



Integrated cross section =  $3.98167 \pm 0.230493$  pb



- Cross section measured in
  - $p_{T,e} > 15 \text{ GeV}, |\eta_e| < 1,$
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- The resulting  $\sigma^{fid} = 3.2(3.3) \pm 0.2 \text{ pb}$
- Run 13 publication:  $\sigma_{11-13}^{fid} = 3.0 \pm 0.2 \text{ pb}$
- Run 17 publication:  $\sigma_{11-13,17}^{fid} = 2.7 \pm 0.1 \text{ pb}$

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# Summary

- Z cross section extracted with Run 17 data + Run 13 cuts
  - Run 17 data with Run 17 cuts on the way
- To be understood better
  - Tighter  $q \times E_T / p_T$  cut justified? (~10% effect, not simulated well in MC)
  - Nature of Like Sign background?
  - Efficiency calculation (as a function of  $p_{TZ}^{\text{true}}$  or  $p_{TZ}^{\text{rec}}$ )?
- The result within  $< 2\sigma$  from FEWZ NLO
  - Perhaps, mismatch between data vs pQCD NLO for Zs not as significant?
- Plans
  - ResBos2 (NLL included) calculation on the way (currently for Ws, do we want for Zs?)
  - W cross section / ratio paper preview request soon with spTbal cor. with Run 11-13 pub summed before this (refer to it as LO cross section)