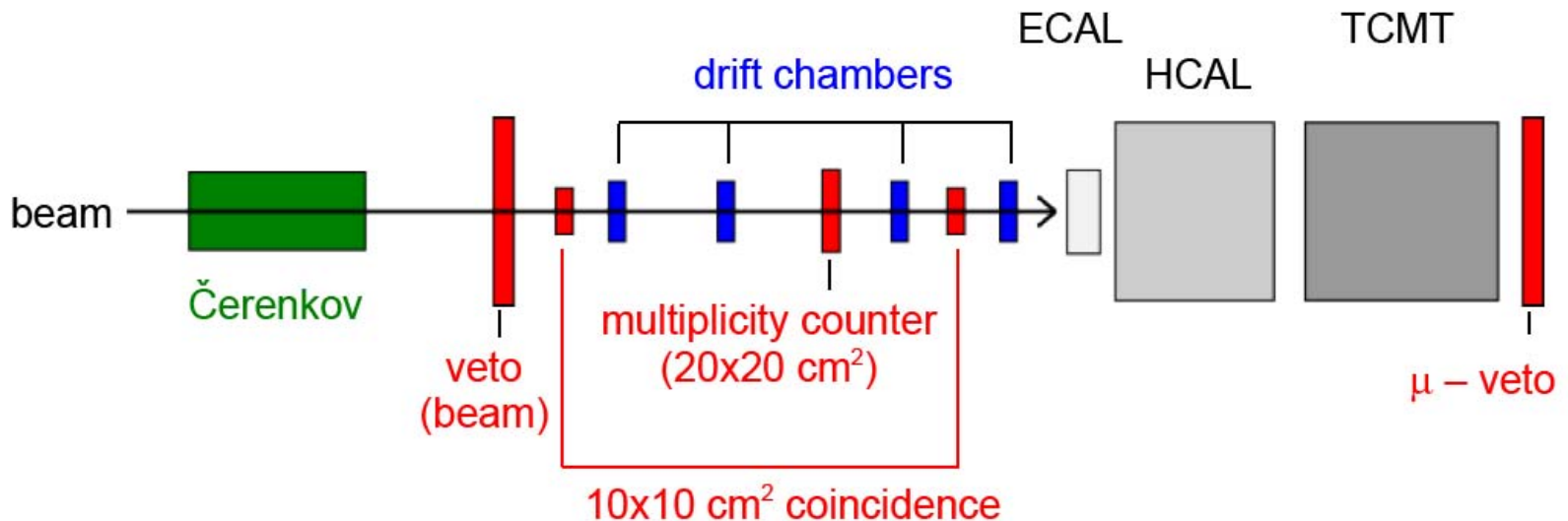


# Low energy pion analysis

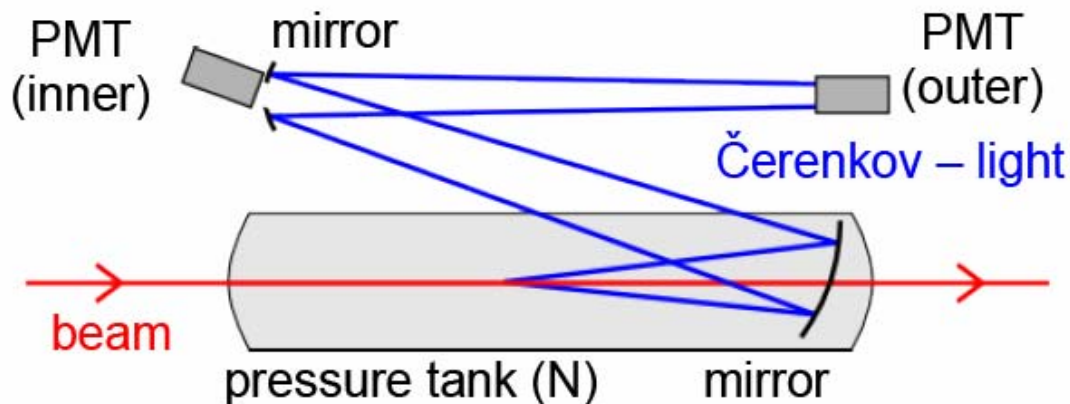
Erika Garutti on behalf of  
Nils Feege

First look into [FNAL](#) data:

- usage of Cerenkov detector
- pion events selection (efficiency/purity at low E)
- all calibrations are still very preliminary !

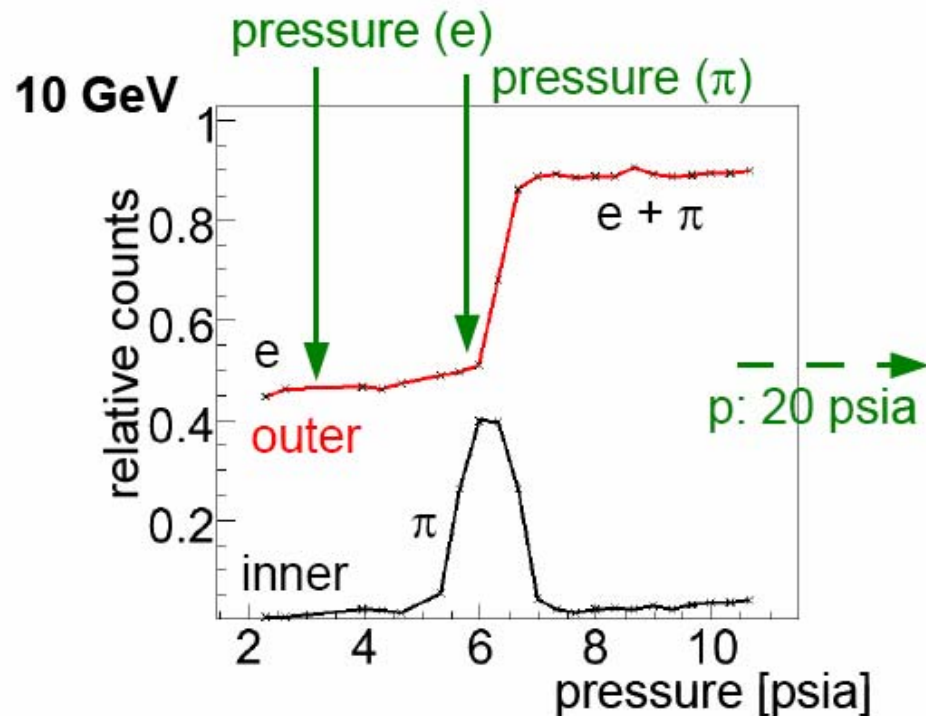


# Differential Cerenkov counter



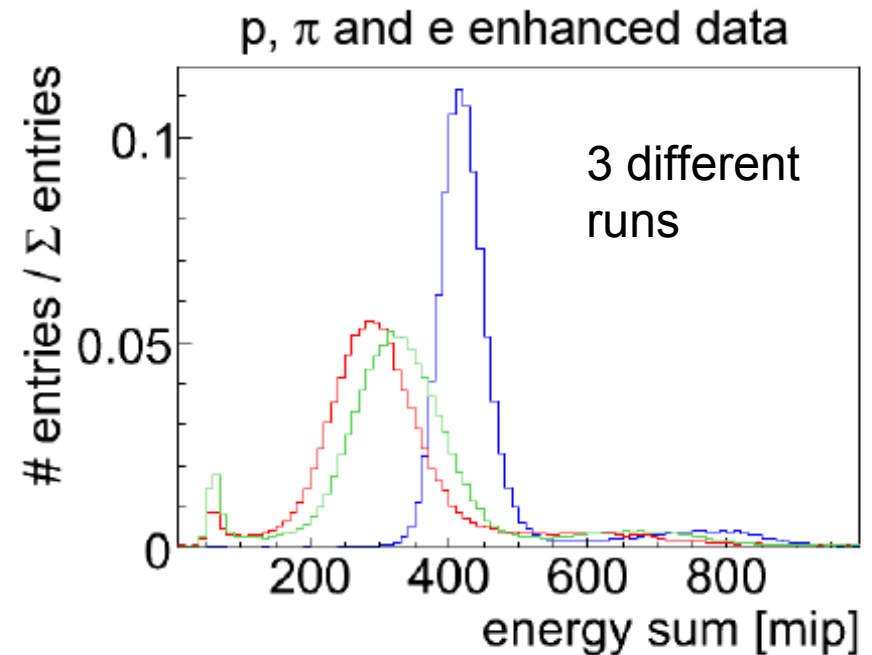
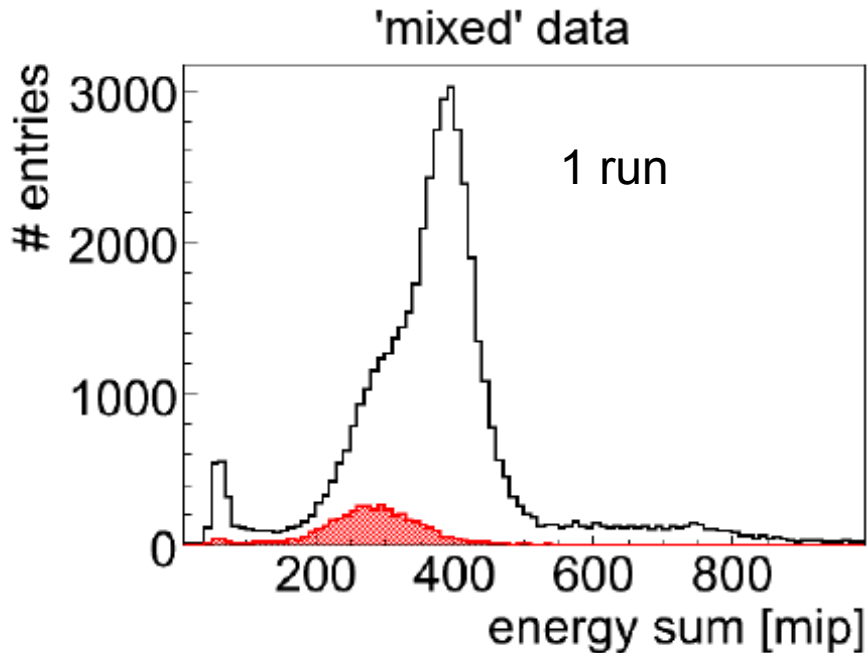
- Triggering on Čerenkov: enhance  $\pi / e / p$  content
- e.g.  $\pi$  content (10 GeV):  $\sim 50\% \rightarrow \sim 90\%$

$$\cos \Theta = \frac{1}{n \cdot \beta}, \quad n \sim \text{pressure}$$



# Example: enhancing $p/\pi/e$ content

Beam energy: 10 GeV



- mixed  $\rightarrow$  10x10
- offline selection of  $p$ :
  - $\triangleright$  10x10  $\&\& !C_{inner}$   $\&\& !C_{outer}$
  - $\triangleright$   $< 10\%$  of collected events

$p \rightarrow 20$  psia, 10x10  $\&\& !C_{inner}$   $\&\& !C_{outer}$

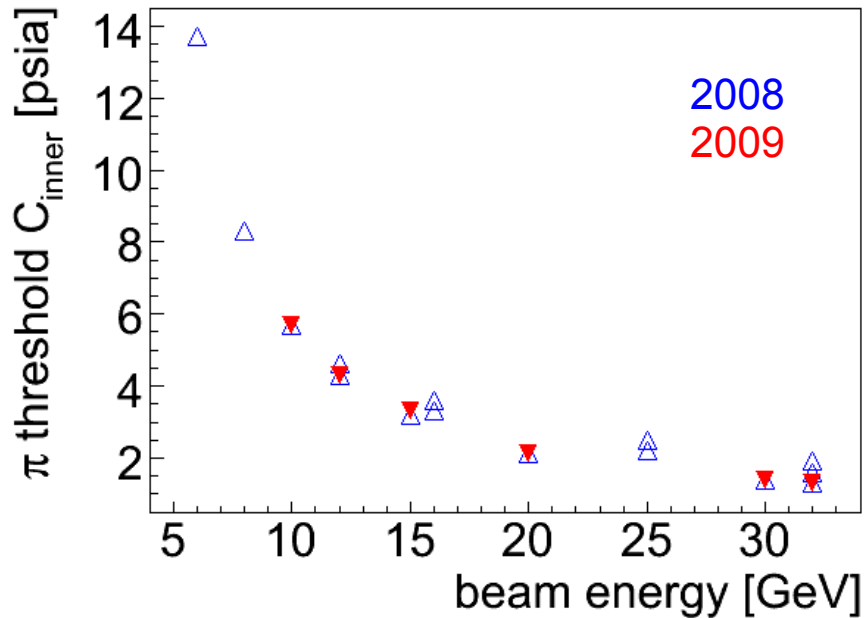
$\pi \rightarrow 5.7$  psia, 10x10  $\&\& C_{inner}$

$e \rightarrow 3$  psia, 10x10  $\&\& C_{outer}$

# Čerenkov Operating Pressure

$\pi$  (6 – 32 GeV)

- Trigger: 10x10 &&  $C_{\text{inner}}$



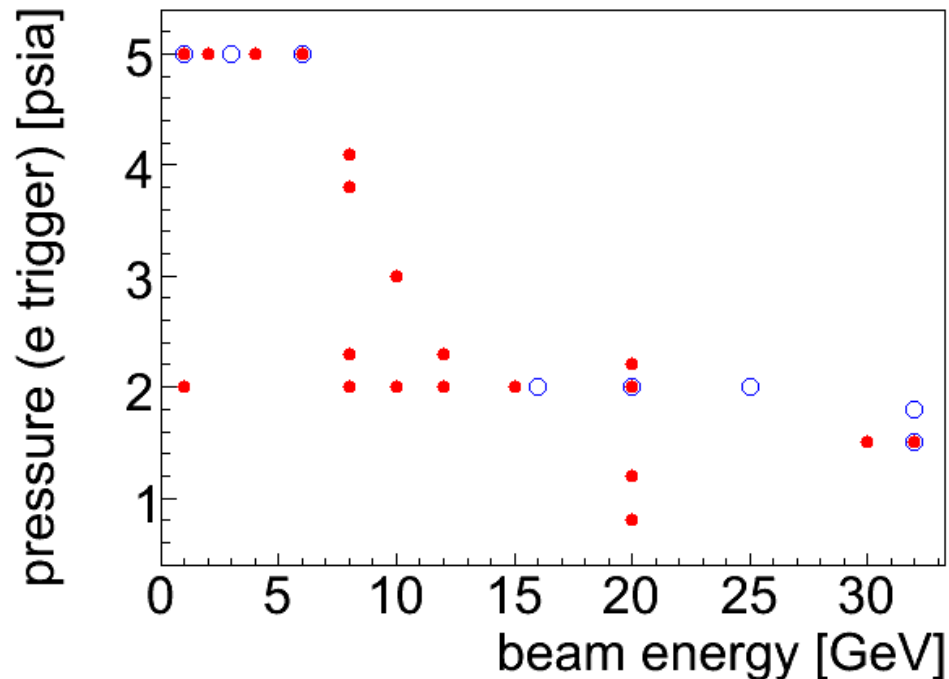
$\pi$  (1 – 4 GeV)

- Trigger: 10x10 && !  $C_{\text{inner}}$  && !  $C_{\text{outer}}$
- **2008**: maximise e detection / rejection efficiency  
→ operate at 20 psia
- **2009**: minimise material (gas), multiple scattering and generation of knock – on electrons in Čerenkov to maximise  $\pi$  rate  
→ operate at 2-5 psia
- 2009 rates for 2 GeV:  
20 psia → 320 events/spill  
5 psia → 520 events/spill

# Čerenkov Operating Pressure

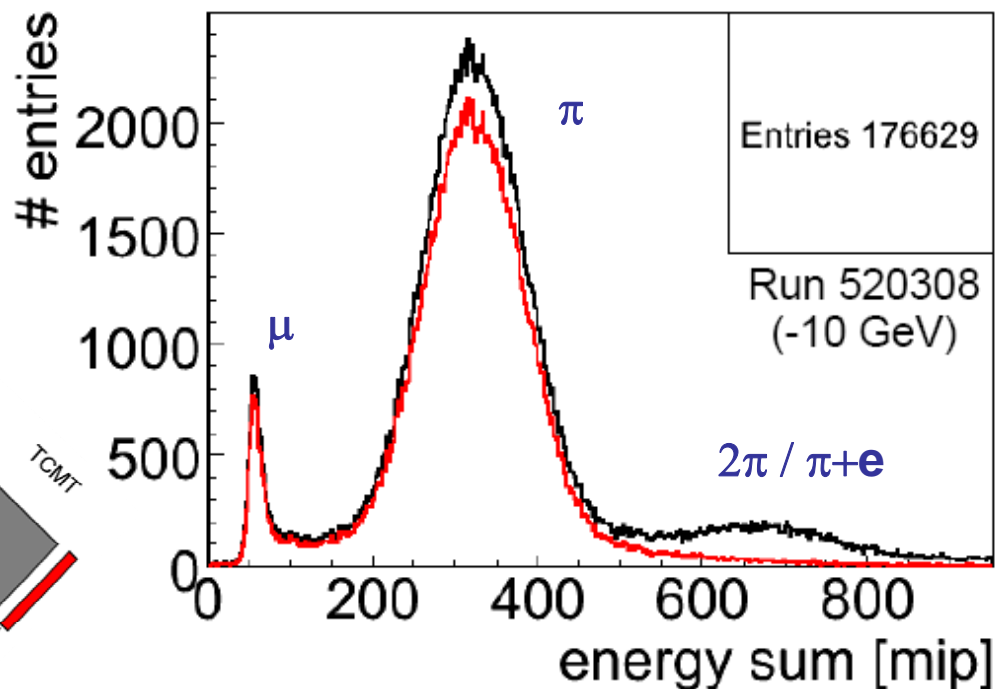
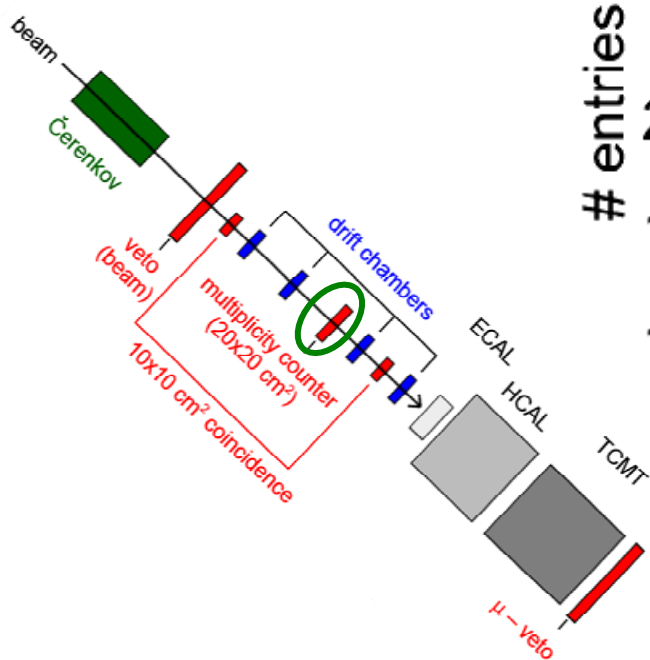
For the analysis record:

e (1 – 32 GeV)



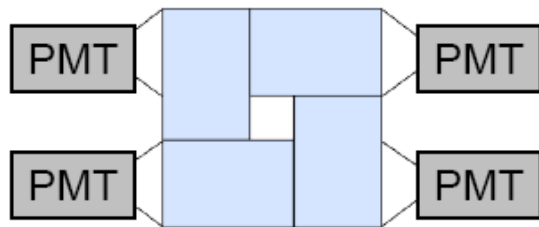
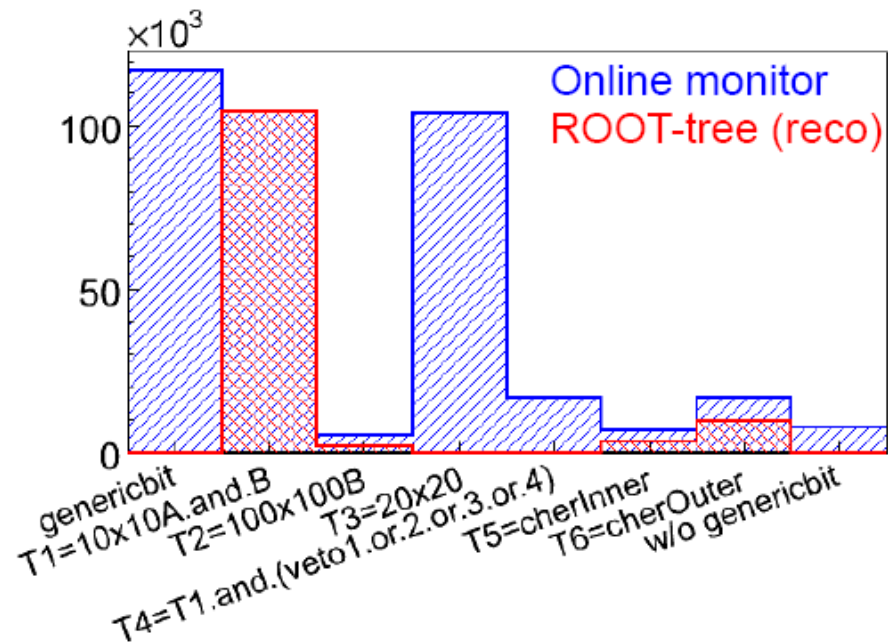
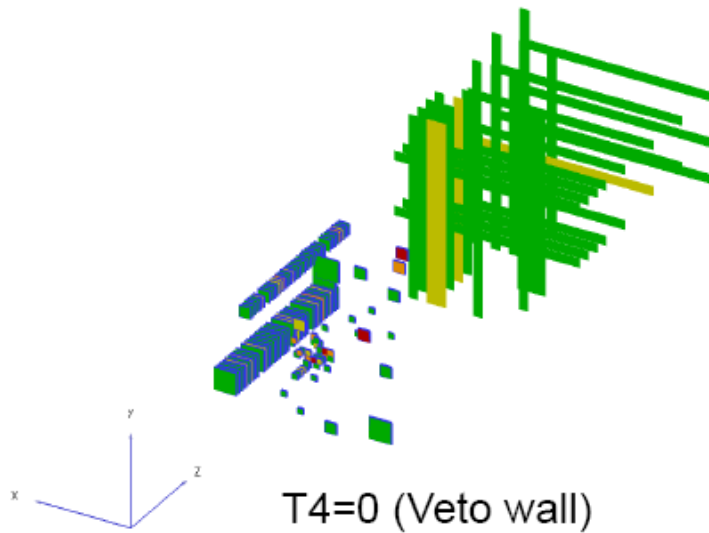
- Trigger: 10x10 && C<sub>outer</sub>

# Multiplicity counter



- 20x20 cm<sup>2</sup> scintillator (analog + digital PMT radout)
- cut on analog signal → reject events with >1 particle (all events, **signal < 4000 ADC-ch.**)
- Processor: vetoBitGenerator (Beni)  
→ output: trigger bit → Processor: EventSelector (calice\_hh)

# Halo rejection using veto-wall



all entries genericbit (OM):	117076
all entries w 10x10A&&B (OM):	104454
all entries (Root):	135477
all entries w 10x10A&&B (Root):	104557

Problem in the decoding of trigger bit info **requires** investigation  
 → for now the veto-wall info is not reliable

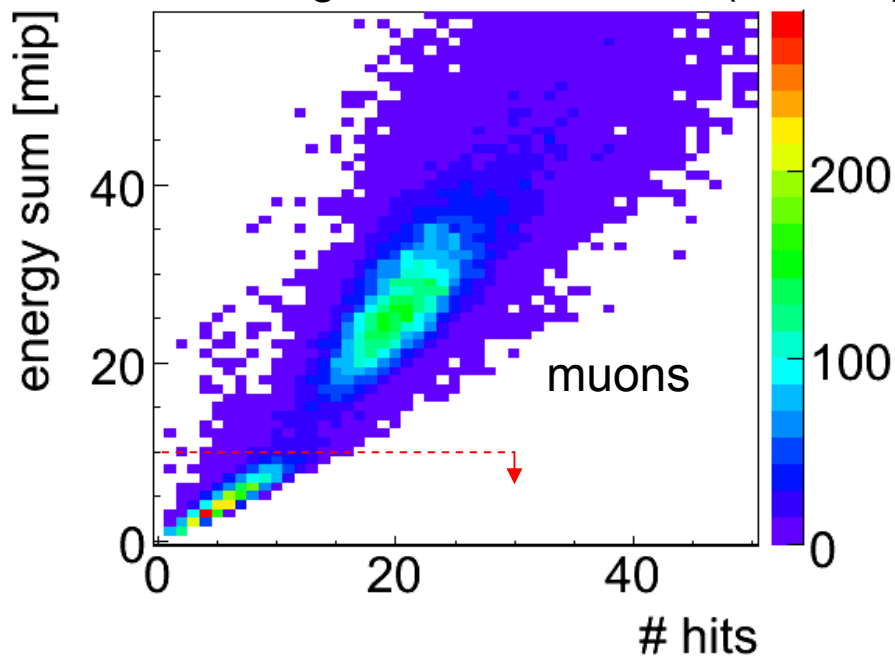
# muon rejection → use TCMT

100x100 muon veto scintillator only ~1% efficiency

→ error in Trigger processor / steering??

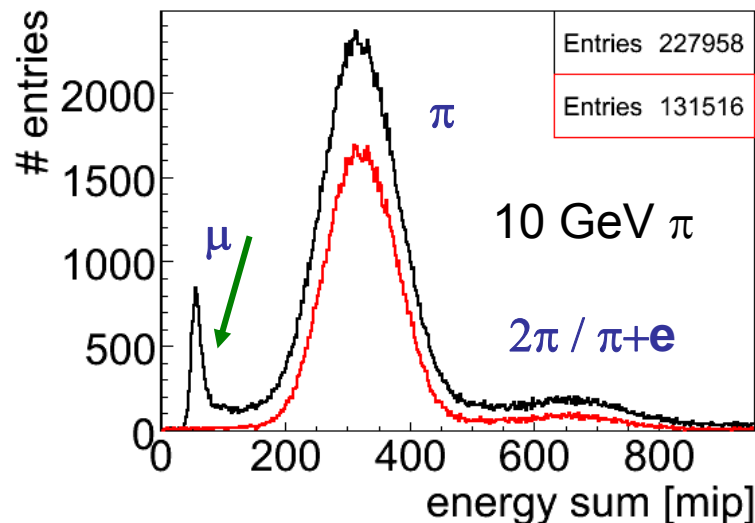
NOT USED

TCMT signal in run 580156 (-1 GeV):



Keep events with  $E_{\text{TCMT}} < 10.5 \text{ MIP}$

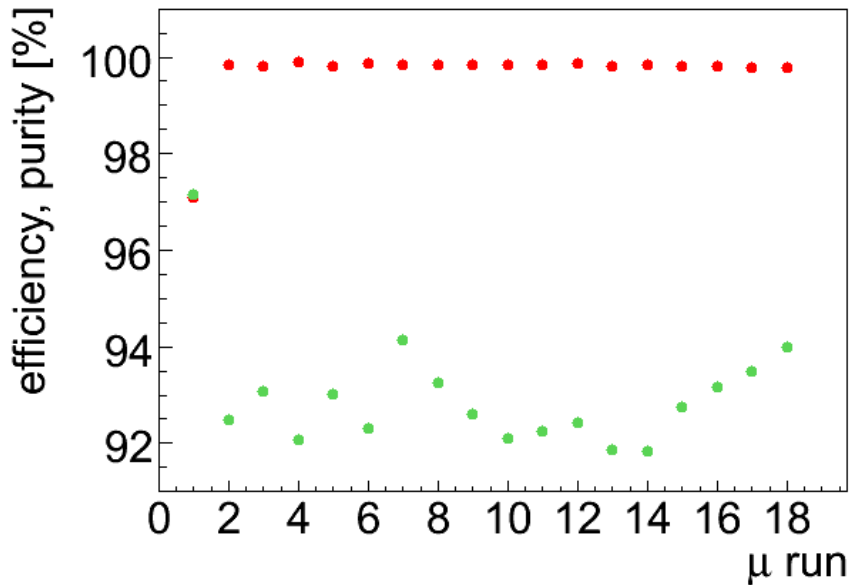
Effect of TCMT muon rejection





# TCMT Cut Efficiency

purity and noise efficiency vs. muon run (2009) for cut  $E_{\text{Sum}} \leq 10.5$  mip



mean purity: 99.8  
mean efficiency: 92.8

Definitions:

**purity** = fraction of muon events rejected by cut

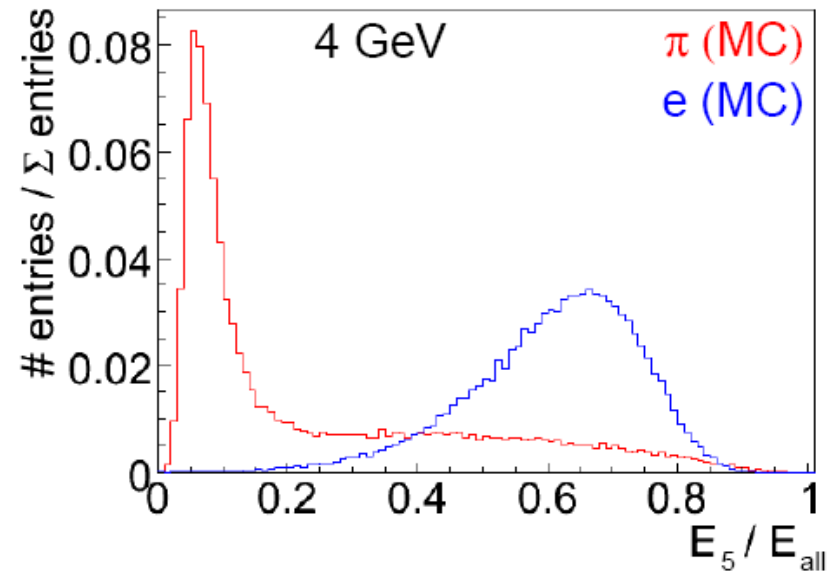
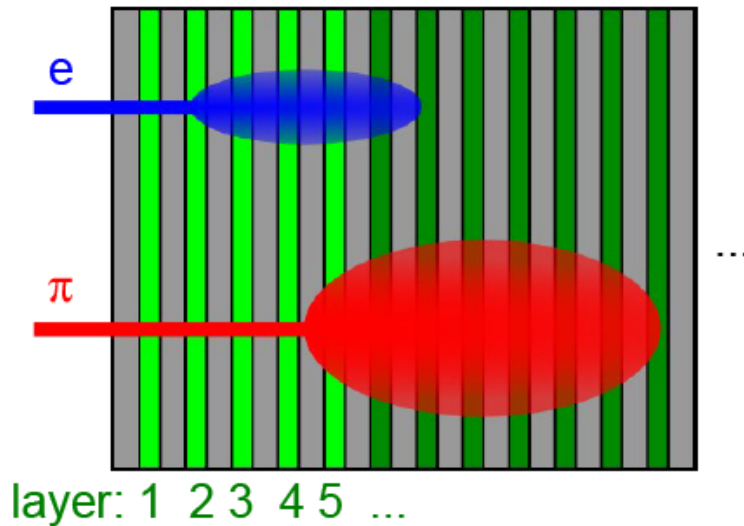
→ from muon data events with  $\text{beamBit}==1 \ \&\& \ \text{ahc\_nHits} \geq 30 \ \&\& \ \text{ahc\_nHits} \leq 100$ )

**efficiency** = fraction of non-muon events not rejected by cut

→ from pure noise events  $\text{pedestalBit}==1 \ \&\& \ \text{calibBit}==0 \ \&\& \ \text{spillBit}==0$ )

# AHCAL: $\pi/e$ separation

remember: low – energetic pions  $\rightarrow$  no ECAL in front of HCAL to stop electrons



Reject electrons using “shower shape” variable:

$e$ :  $\sim 60\%$  of  $E_{tot}$  deposited in first 5 layers

$\pi$ :  $< 20\%$  of  $E_{tot}$  in the first 5 layers +

some events with early charge exchange  $\rightarrow$  cannot use this variable as cut

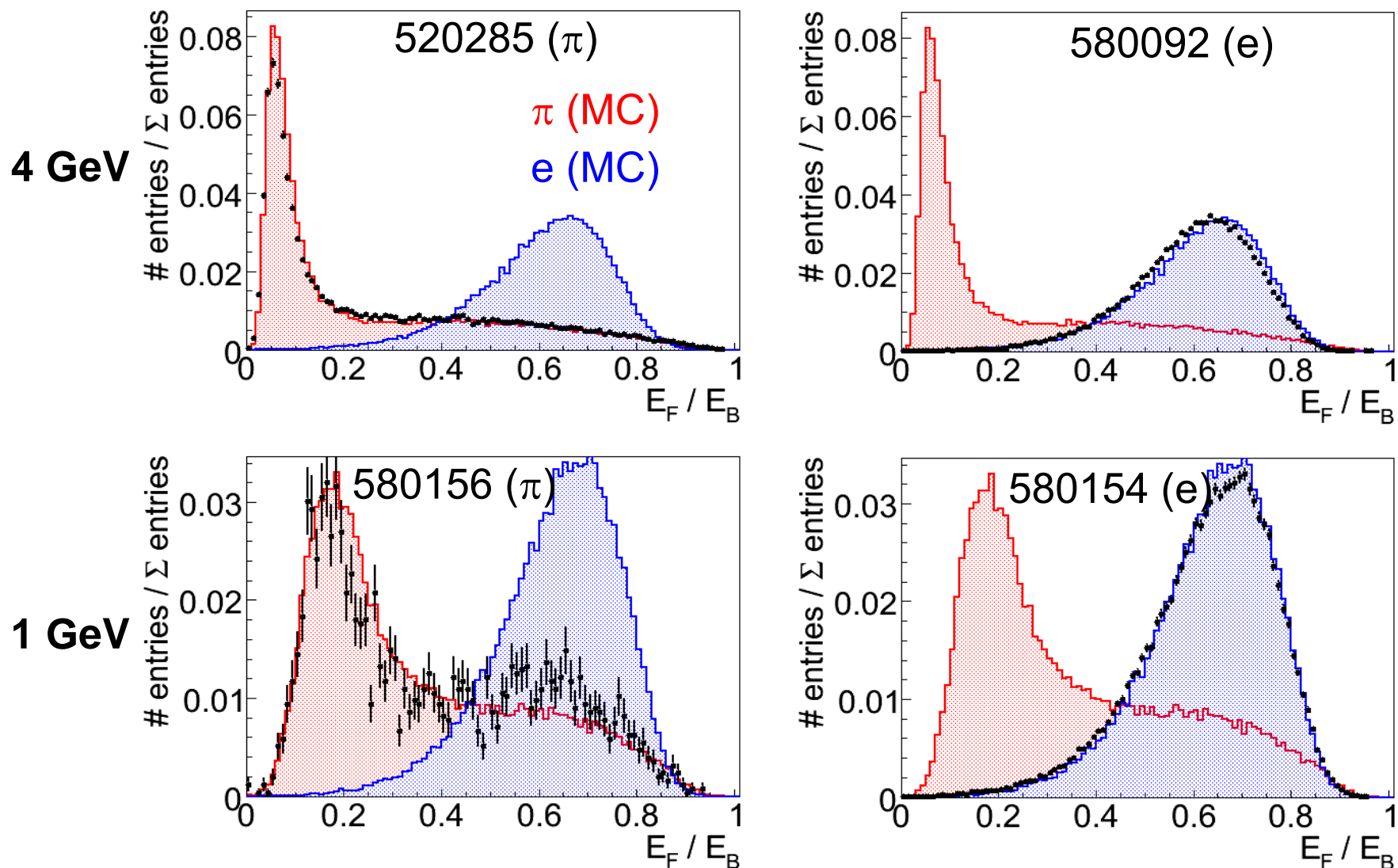
- $E_5$  = energy sum

layers 1 – 5

- $E_{all}$  = energy sum

layers 1 – 38

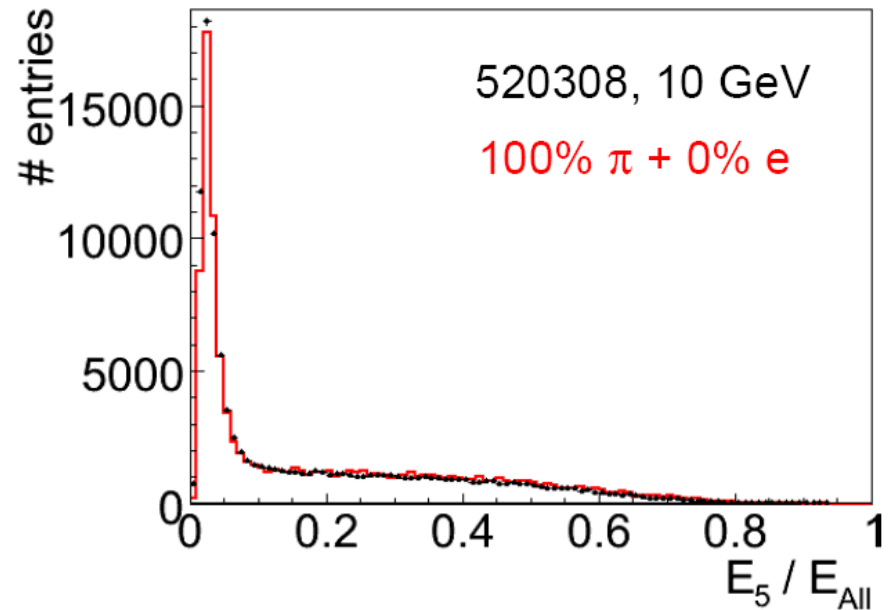
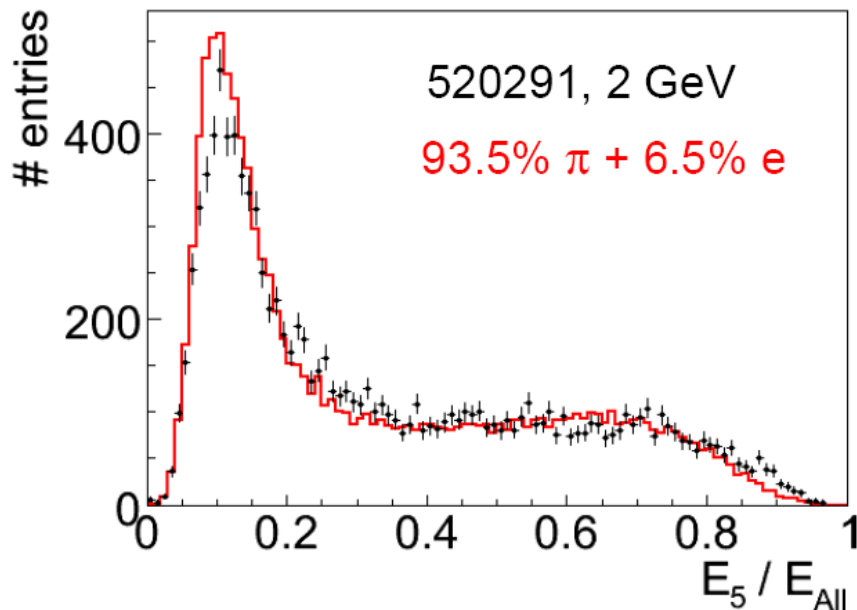
# Data / MC comparison



Impressive good agreement of Cherenkov tagged data with MC prediction

# Quantifying the e contamination

- TFractionFitter (ROOT): Fits MC fractions to data histogram
  - Input: histograms (data,  $\pi$  MC, e MC)
  - Output: relative contributions of  $\pi$  and e to describe data



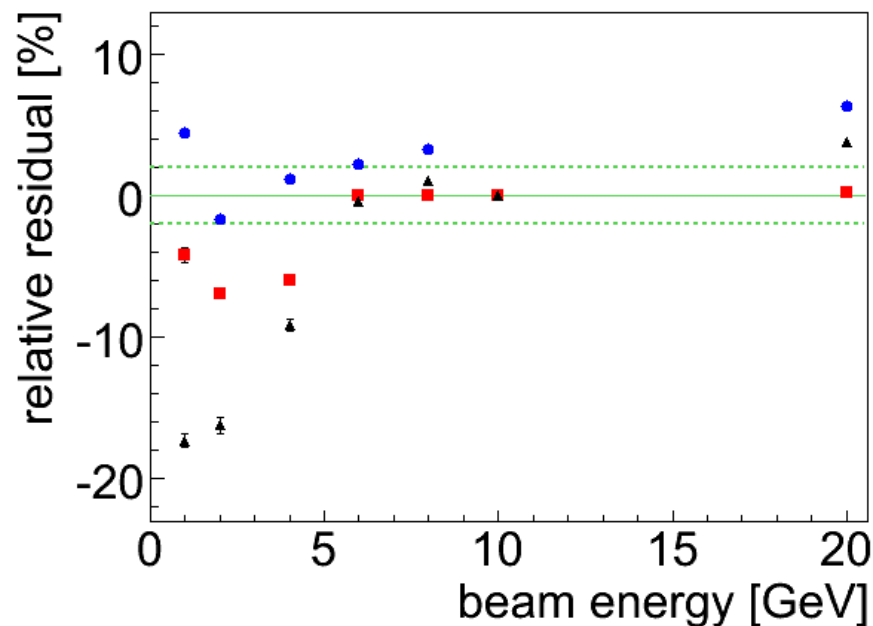
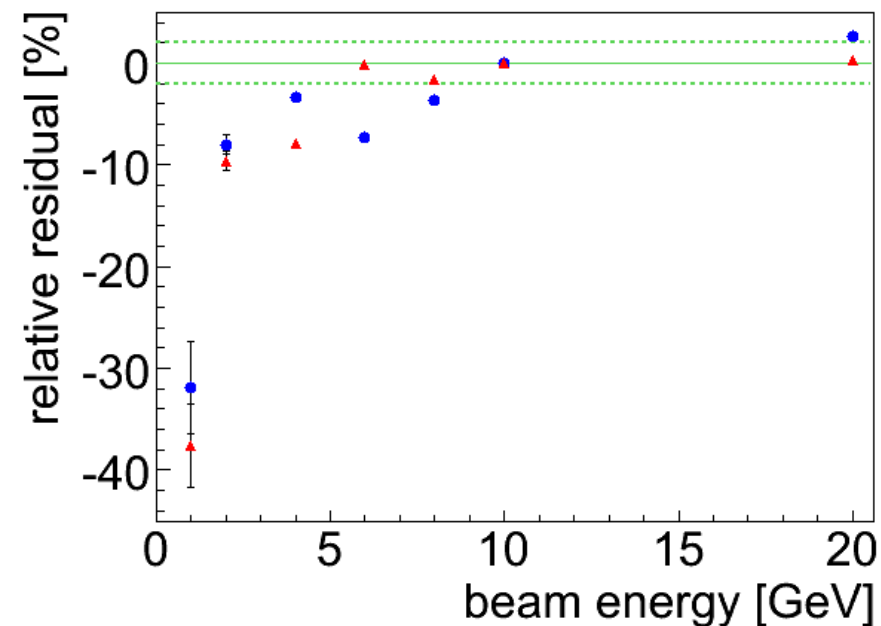
- above 4 GeV: no e contamination!

For the moment no further pion selection criteria applied

# Calorimeter response 1-20 GeV

w/o correction  
after MIP correction  
+/- 2% band

QGSP\_BERT  
FTF\_BIC  
LHEP



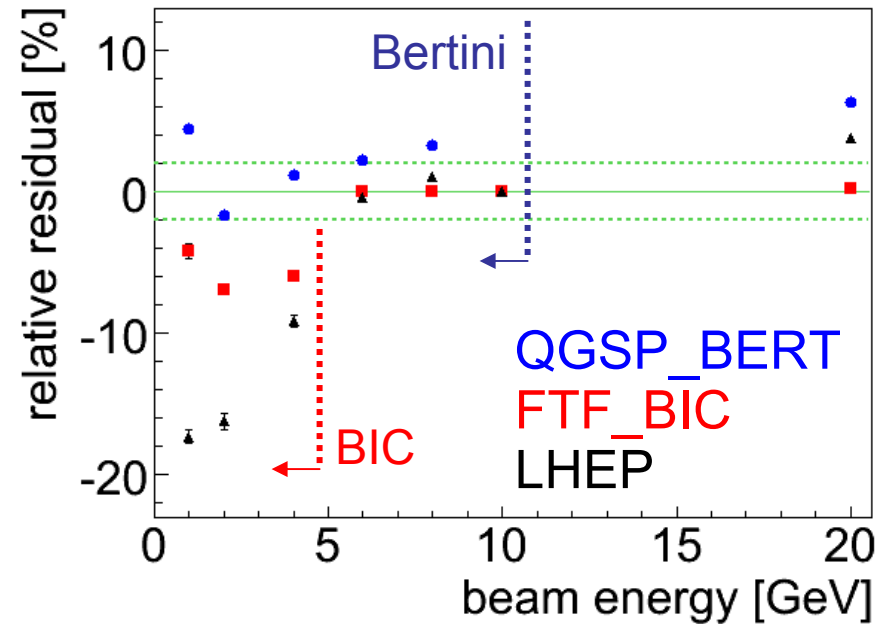
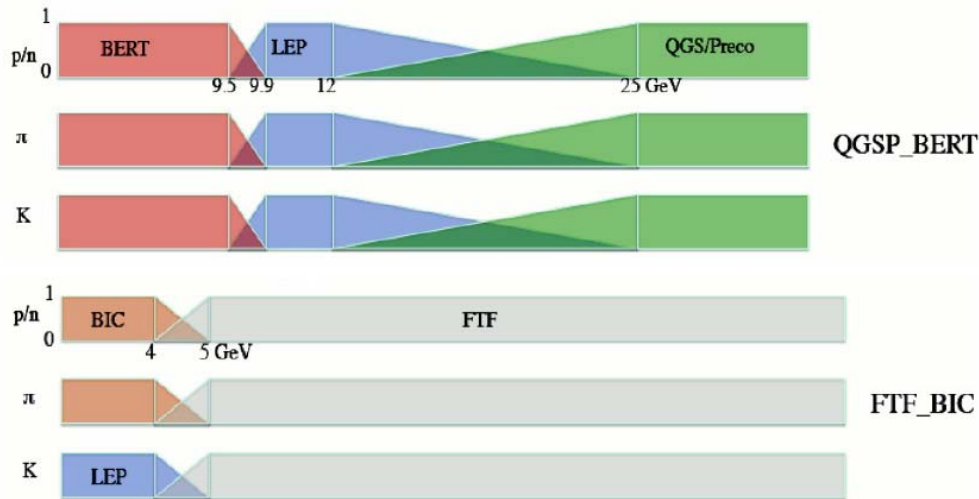
6-20 GeV linear after MIP stab correction layer-by-layer (MPI procedure)  
<6 GeV linearity not expected ? → see MC models

# Interesting about the models

Linearity defined fixing 0 and 10 GeV

Change slope in QGSP\_BERT before and after 10 GeV

BIC starts below 5 GeV → visible step in linearity



# Conclusion

First look at low energy pion data from FNAL

First look at FNAL beam line instrumentation

- important feedback to all analyzers
- processors to be released soon with docu

Analysis in a very preliminary state:

- Still using online calibrations
- No Temperature correction of SiPM response

Very promising physics results to come soon...

# TCMT Cut Optimization

muon run 560186

