



## Pions at the Low-energy Frontier

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# Fermilab TT Data ('08 - '09)



# Energy Sum MC / DATA



Trends for FTF\_BIC and FTFP\_BERT agree -MC / DATA ratio decreases with energy

# Exploring the Lower Energies



Below 6 GeV: MC / DATA relation changes

#### Longitudinal Profiles



## Mean Shower Length < z >



from calorimeter start

from Ist hard interaction

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#### Differences Alex' - My Analysis



#### Noise Above 0.5 MIP



#### **π** Event Selection



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#### Shower Start Finder: Performance

#### Processor developed by B. Lutz

10 GeV (MC)



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- 8 GeV 30 GeV: MC / DATA relation trends agree with CERN 2007 analysis (A. Kaplan)
- I GeV 6 GeV: Data ready to challenge MC models in new energy range

# **BACKUP - SLIDES**

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#### Muon Rejection At I GeV

π purity > 98 % π efficiency > 85 %



### Veto Wall Efficiency



### TCMT Muon Tracker



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### Bad Cell Statistics

dead cells (DB)	218 (2.9%)
LED: RMS < 30	+
noise: RMS > 140	+ 15
noise: mean outside -3 +3	+ 31
noise: rate > 0.1	+ 6
noise: >1 peaks	+
TOTAL	292 (3.8 %)

## LED: Dead Cells

#### "standard" definition: RMS < 20 (noise) → dead here: RMS < 30 (LED) → dead



# Noisy Cells



#### Noise Rate > 0.5 MIP



### Instable Cells



peak finder (ROOT:TSpectrum)  $\rightarrow$  spot multiple peaks