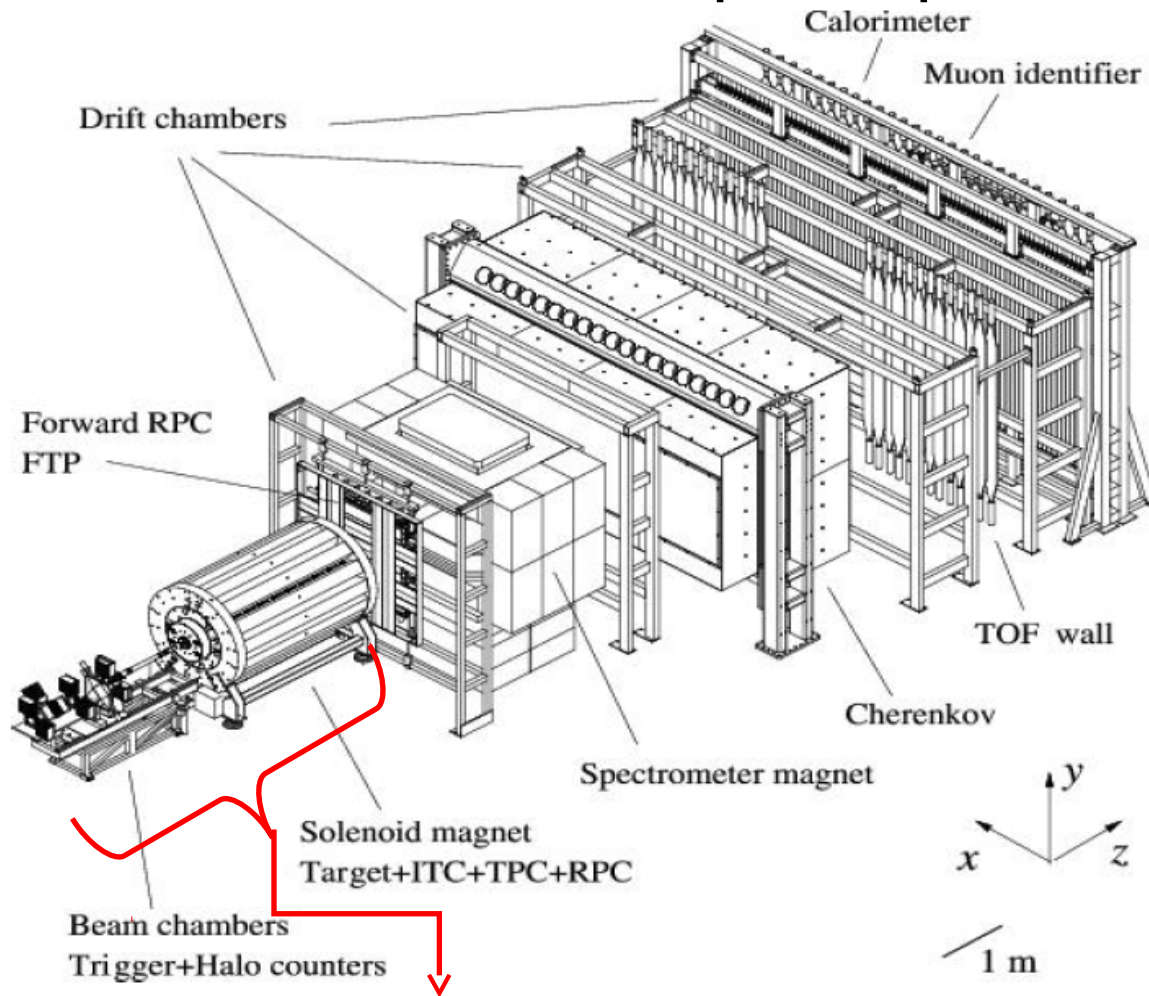


Pi⁺ Production Cross Sections from HARP long targets

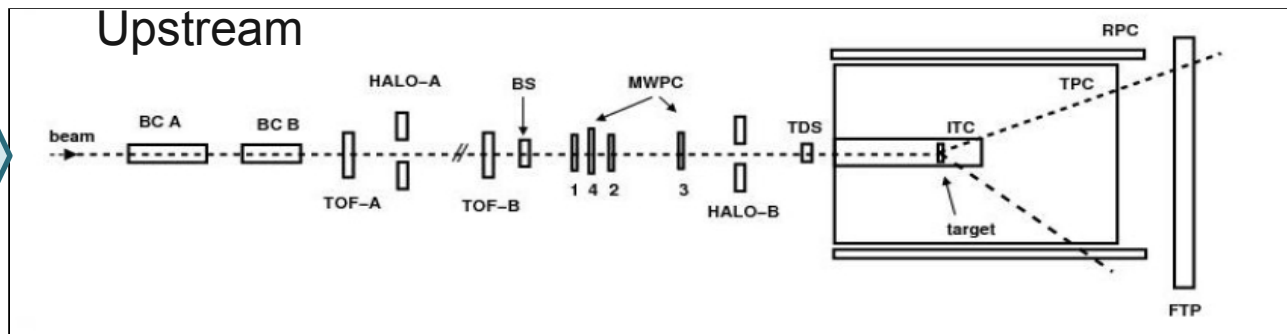
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Introduction to the Harp setup



Primary Beam line (T9 beam)



Targets for MiniBooNE

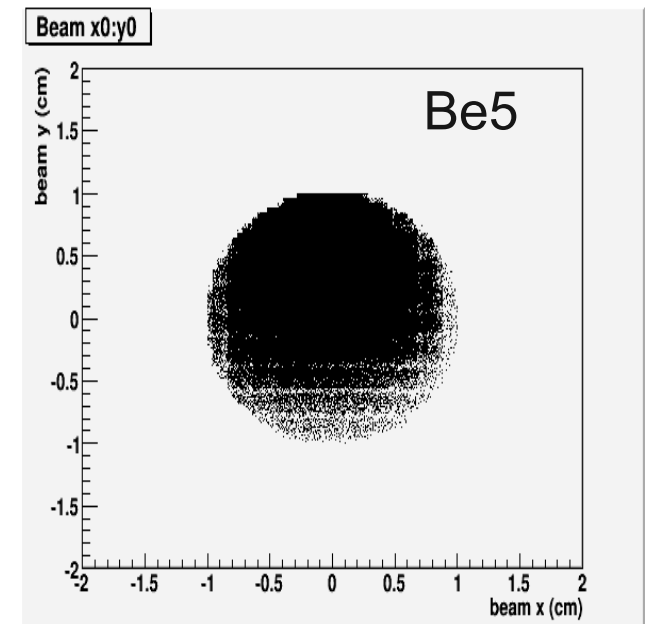
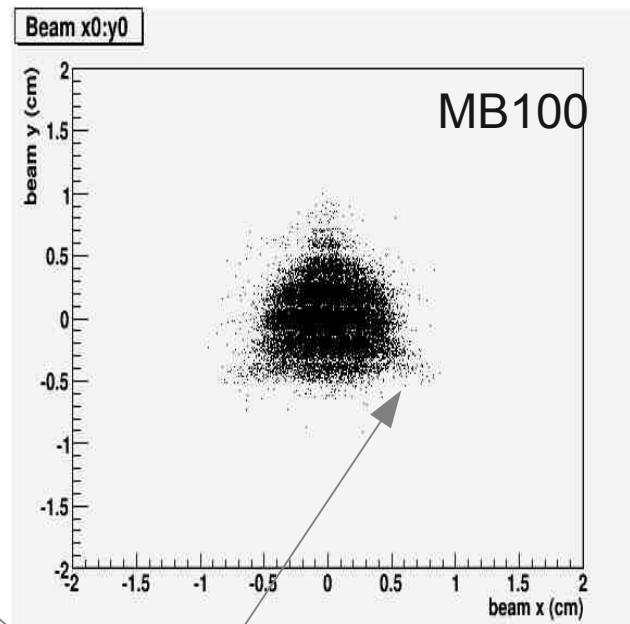
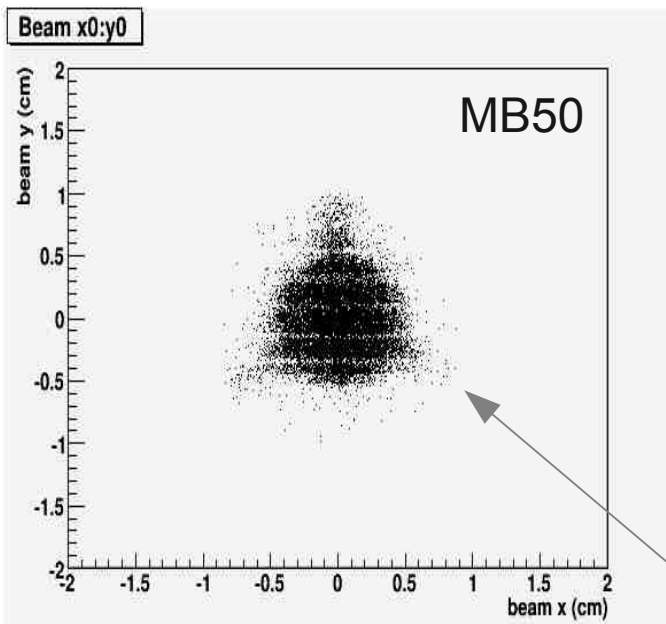
Thin targets : Be5 (5% λ) , Al5 (5% λ) - 2.0 cm

(David Schmitz has already analyzed these targets very well)

Thick targets : MB50 (50% λ) - 20.0 cm

: MB100 (100% λ) - 40.0 cm

Secondary pions from the targets



All have 1cm beam radius cut

Fins

Main Focuses =>

- 1. Improve the proton attenuation correction => Attenuation length**
 - 2. Tertiary particle correction. (Re-interaction of secondaries with Be)**
 - 3. Update the Sanford-Wang parameters with long target cross sections on MiniBooNE Beamline MC**
- => Finally reduce the systematics on neutrino flux prediction.**

Cross Section Measurements

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{long}^\alpha}{dpd\Omega}(p, \theta) = \frac{\sigma_{p-Be}}{N_0(1 - e^{-nl\sigma_{p-Be}})} \frac{d^2 N^\alpha(p, \theta)}{dpd\Omega}$$

Secondary Hadron Yield

Double differential Production Cross Section of α type particle

$$= \frac{\sigma_{p-Be}}{N_0(1 - e^{-nl\sigma_{p-Be}})} M_{p\theta\alpha, p'\theta'\alpha'}^{-1} \frac{N^{\alpha'}(p', \theta')}{\Delta p \Delta \Omega}$$

$$n = \frac{N_A \cdot \rho}{A_{target}}$$

Thick target correction term

Correction matrix to unfold the true variables (p, θ, α) from reconstructed (p', θ', α')

Bin sizes of momentum and solid angle

Short Target Approximation

if the target length: $l \ll l_0$ (interaction length) $\Rightarrow (1 - e^{-n \cdot l \cdot \sigma_{p-Be}}) \approx n \cdot l \cdot \sigma_{p-Be}$

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{short}^\alpha}{dpd\Omega}(p, \theta) \approx \frac{A_{target}}{N_A \cdot \rho \cdot l} \frac{1}{\Delta p \cdot \Delta \Omega} \frac{1}{N_0} M_{p\theta\alpha, p'\theta'\alpha'}^{-1} N^{\alpha'}(p', \theta')$$

n : number density of Be nuclei

l : Thickness of the target along the beam axis

ρ : Target density

A_{target} : Molar mass of the target

N_A : Avogadro number

N_0 : Protons on the target

$$\frac{A_{target}}{\rho N_A l} = (\text{number of target nuclei per Area})^{-1}$$

Complete Analysis :

Absorption / decay of secondaries :- before they hit the TOF

Track reconstruction efficiency

$$M_{p\theta \cdot p'\theta'}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{\text{e-veto}}(p, \alpha)} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \eta^{\text{absorb}}(p, \theta_x, \theta_y, \alpha)}$$

electrons veto cut

$$\cdot M_{p \cdot p'}^{-1}(\theta') \cdot (1 - \eta^{\text{tert}}(p', \theta'_x, \theta'_y, \alpha)) \cdot \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{\text{acc}}(\theta')} \cdot \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{\text{recon}}(p', \theta'_x, \theta'_y)}$$

Momentum migration
Need a mock MC

Correction for Tertiary particles

Geometric acceptance correction

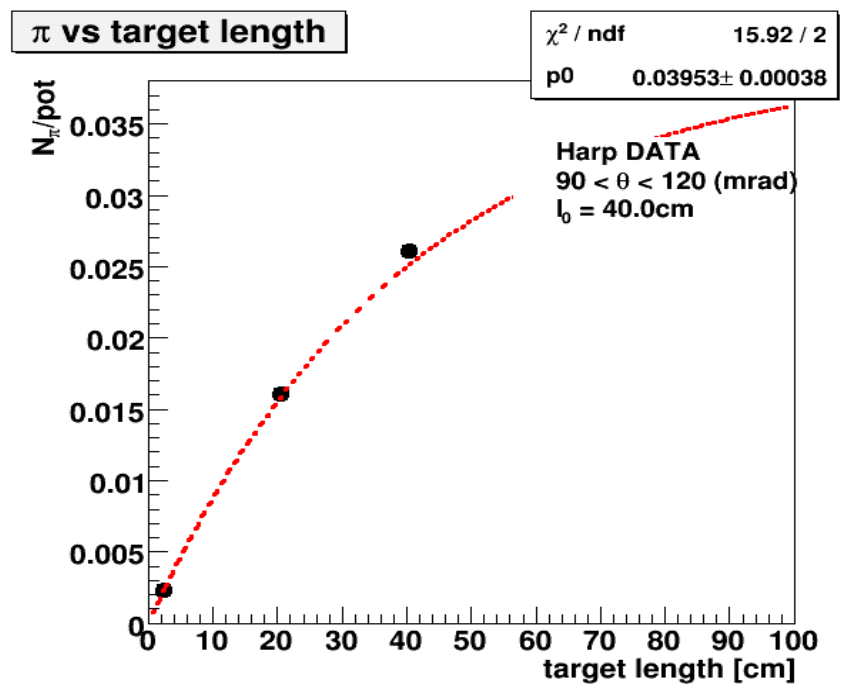
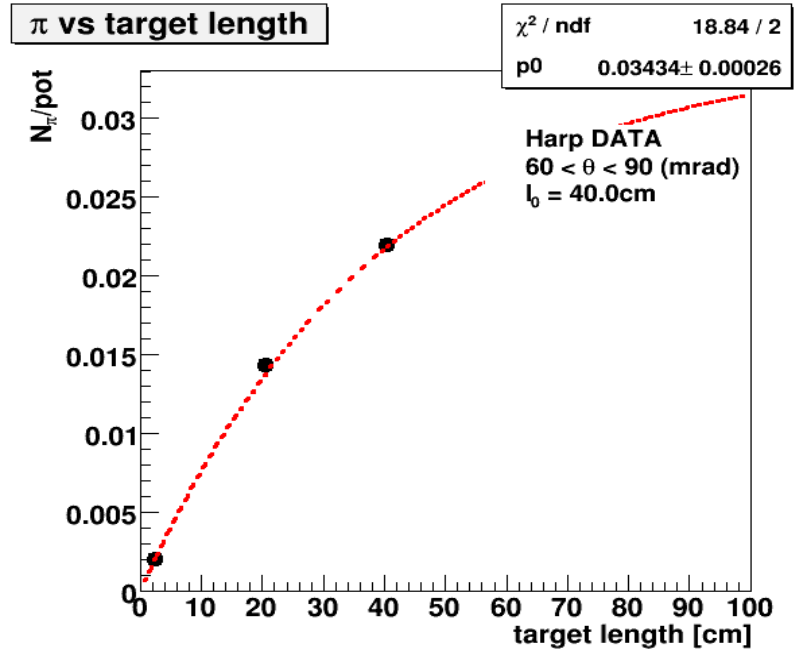
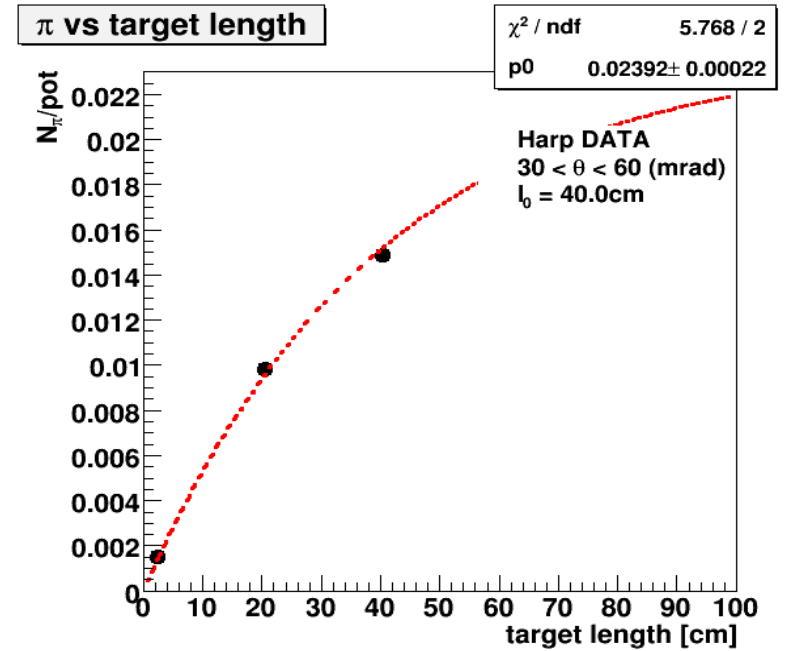
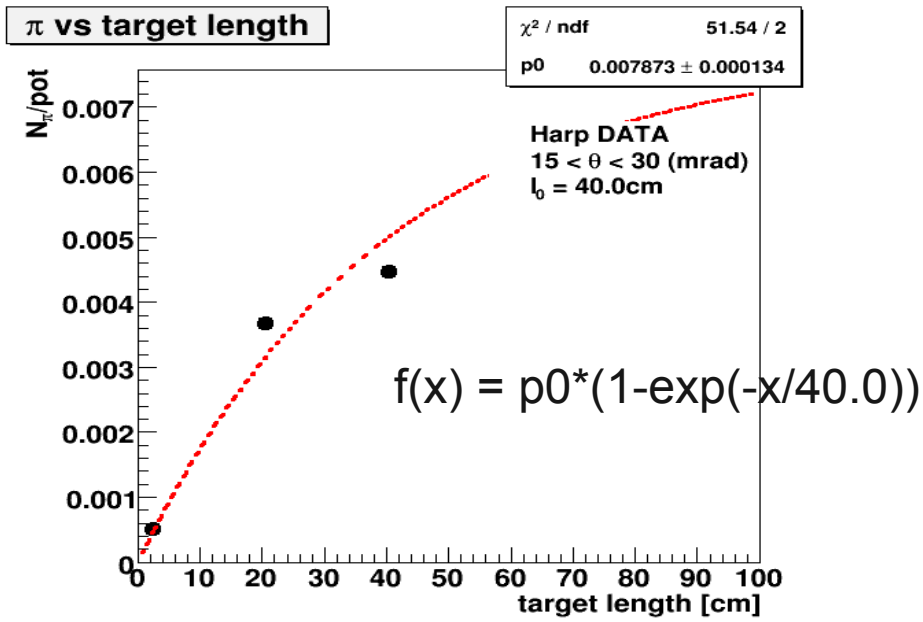
$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{\text{long}}^{\alpha}}{dp d\Omega}(p, \theta) = \frac{\sigma_{p-Be5}}{(1 - e^{-nI\sigma_{p-Be5}})} \frac{1}{\Delta p \Delta \Omega} M_{\alpha \cdot \alpha'}^{-1} \left(M_{p\theta \cdot p'\theta'}^{-1} \left[\frac{N_{\text{target}}^{\alpha'}(p', \theta')}{N_0} - \frac{N_{\text{empty}}^{\alpha'}(p', \theta')}{N_{\text{empty}}} \right] \right)$$

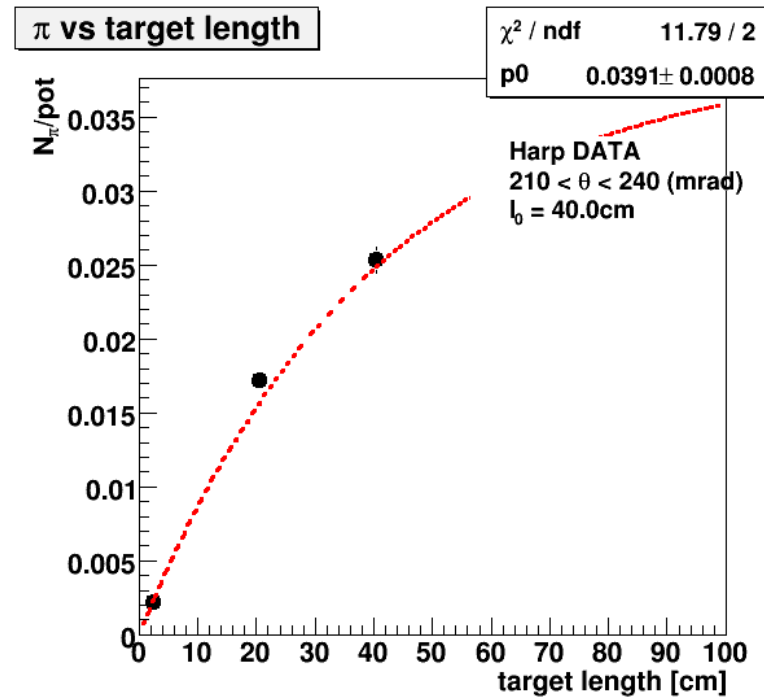
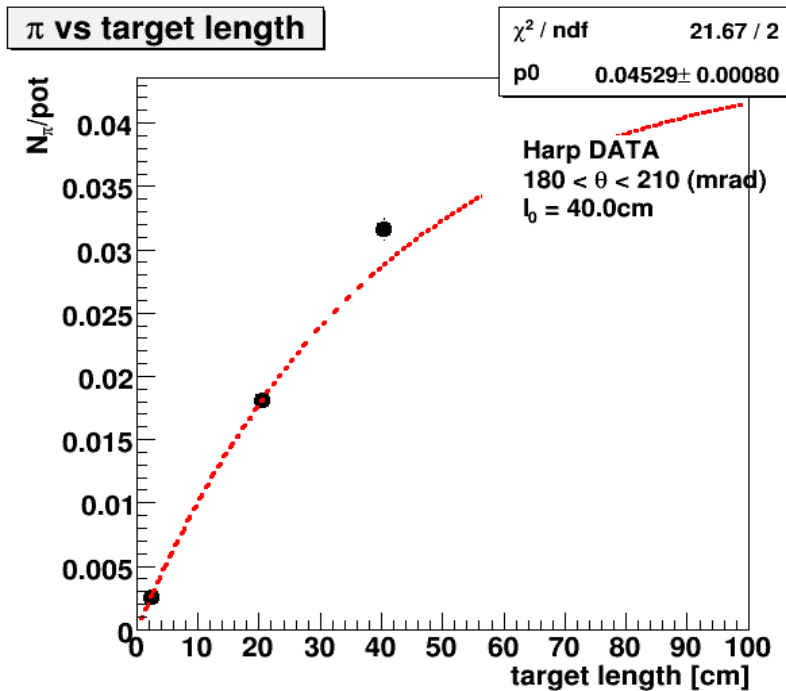
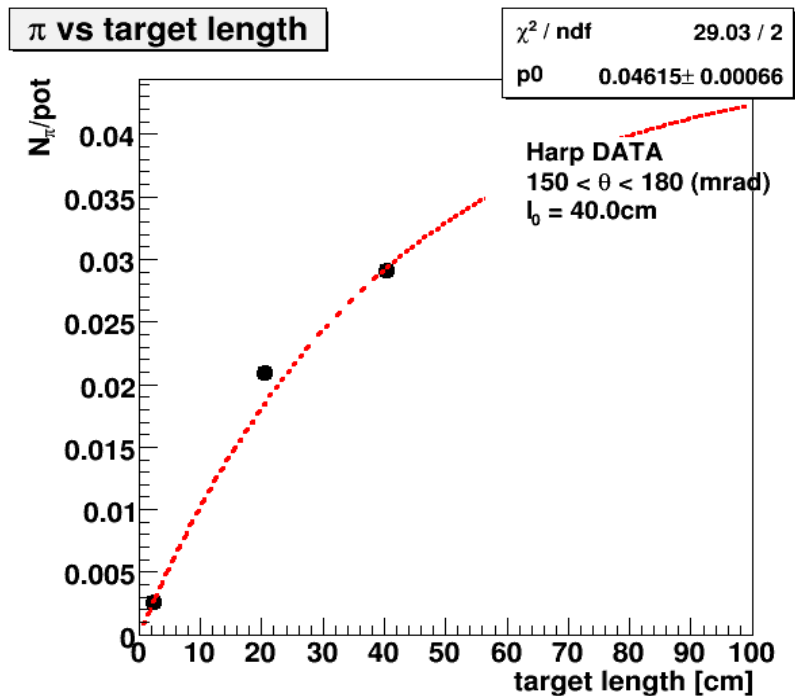
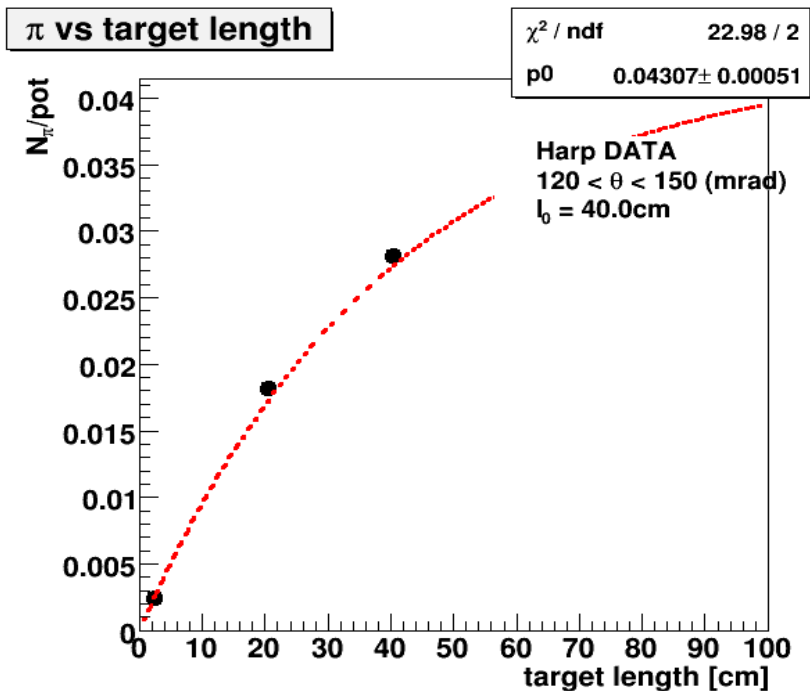
Particle ID efficiency and migration matrix

$$M_{\alpha' \cdot \alpha} = \begin{pmatrix} M_{\pi\pi} & M_{\pi p} \\ M_{p\pi} & M_{pp} \end{pmatrix}$$

Example: Pion to proton migration

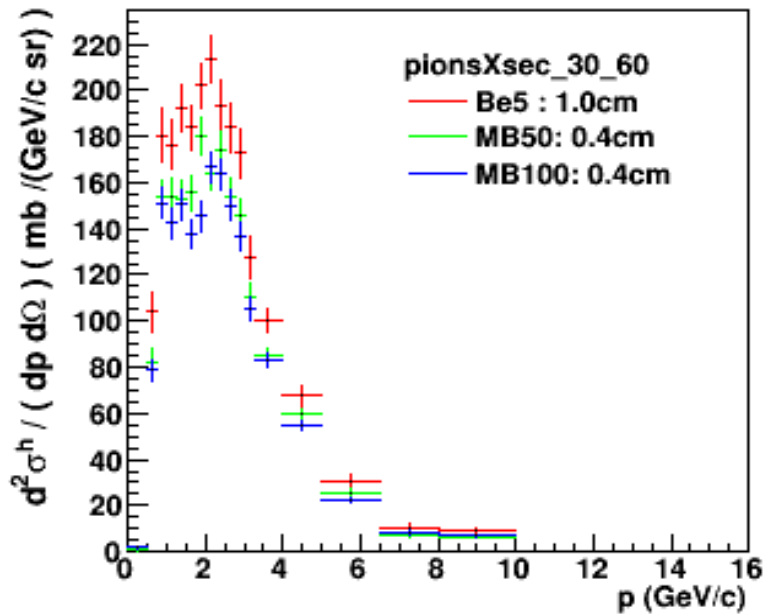
Pi+ distribution vs target length



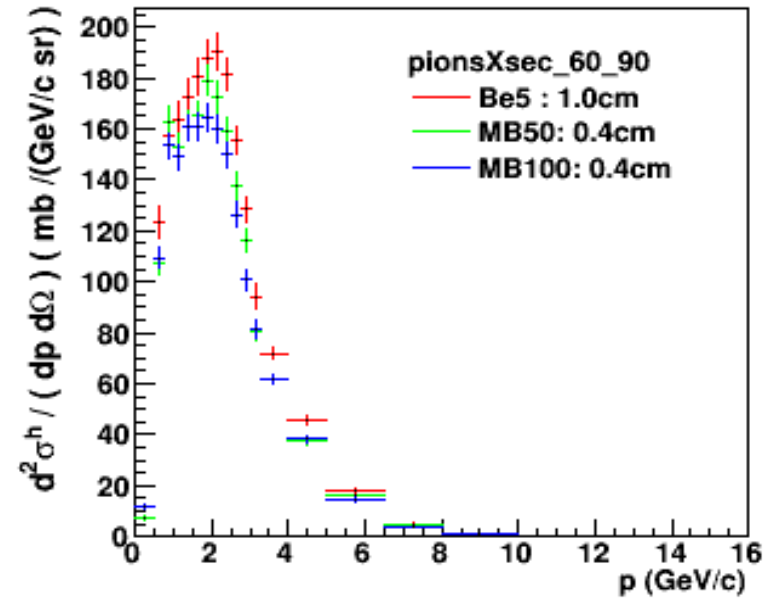


Cross section Results and Comparison

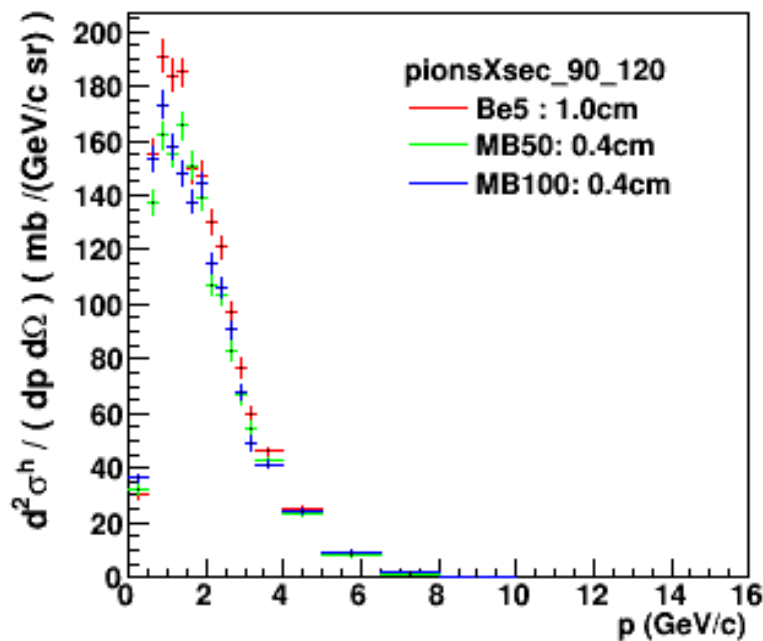
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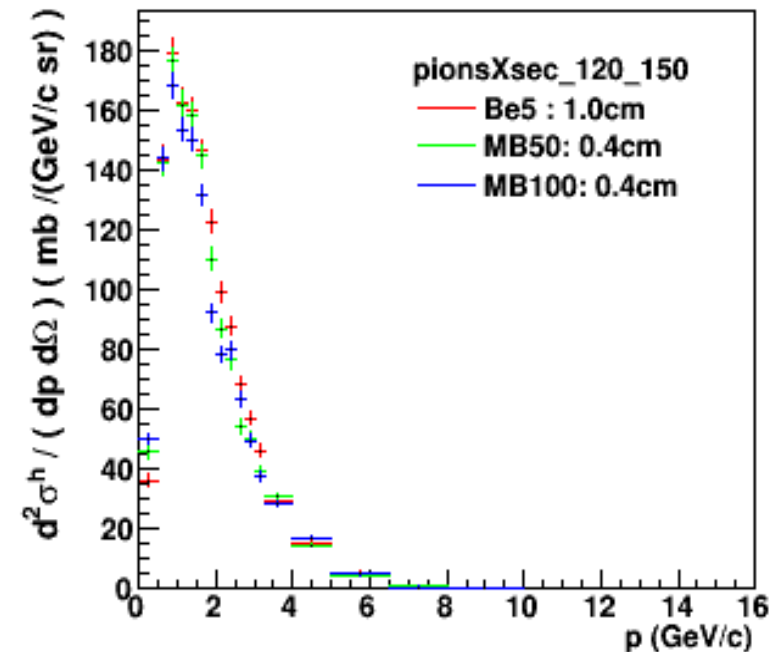
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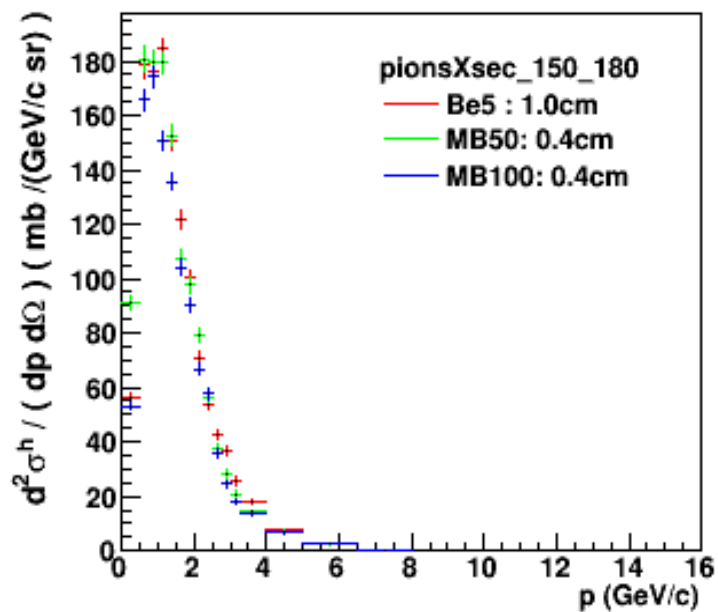
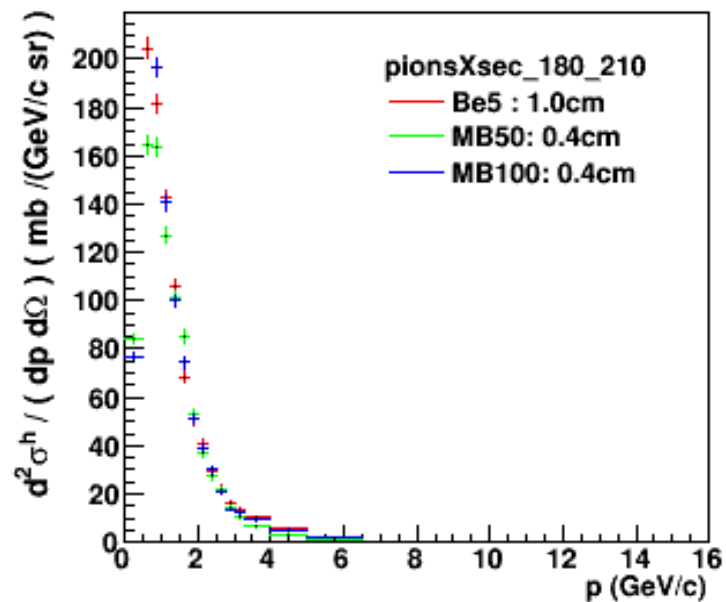
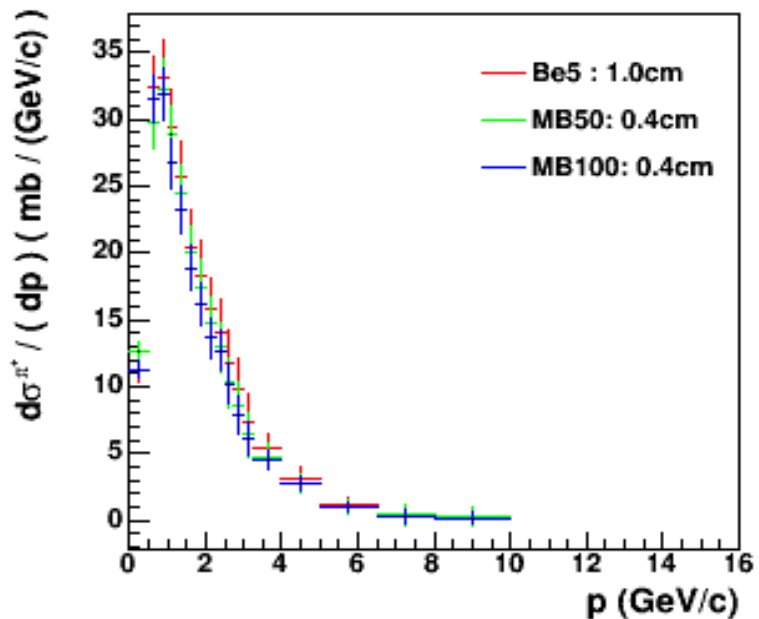
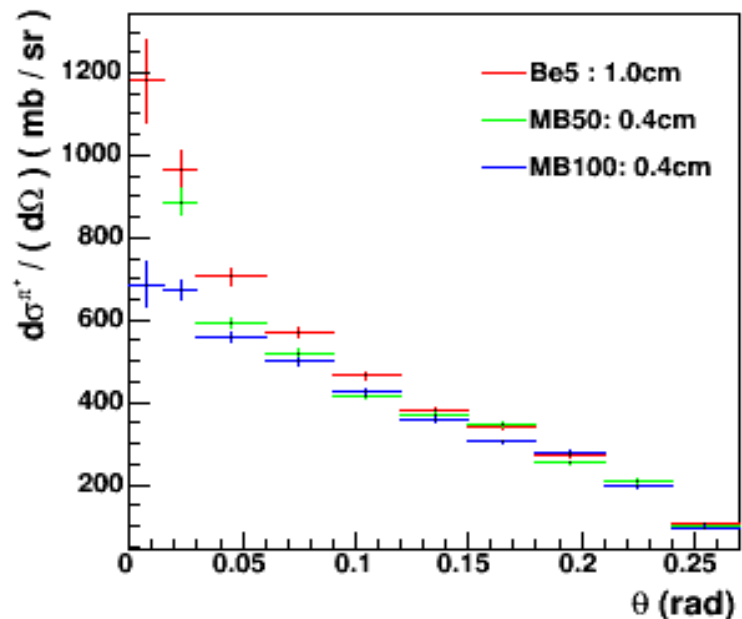


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MiniBooNE Beamline MC

**Simulated
Beam profile :**

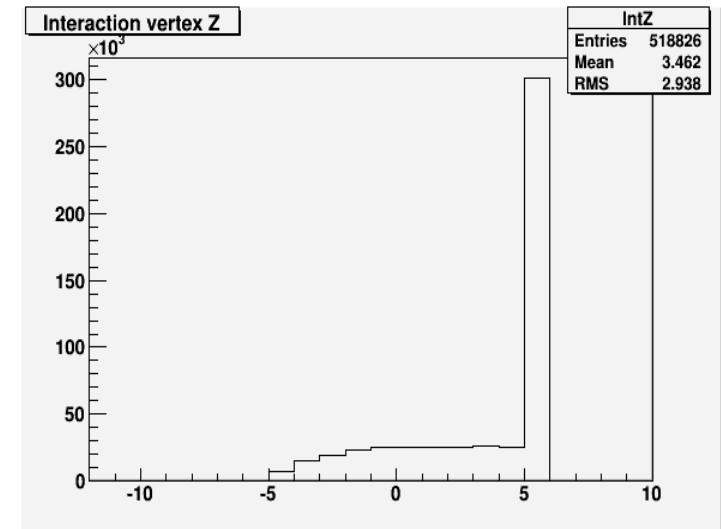
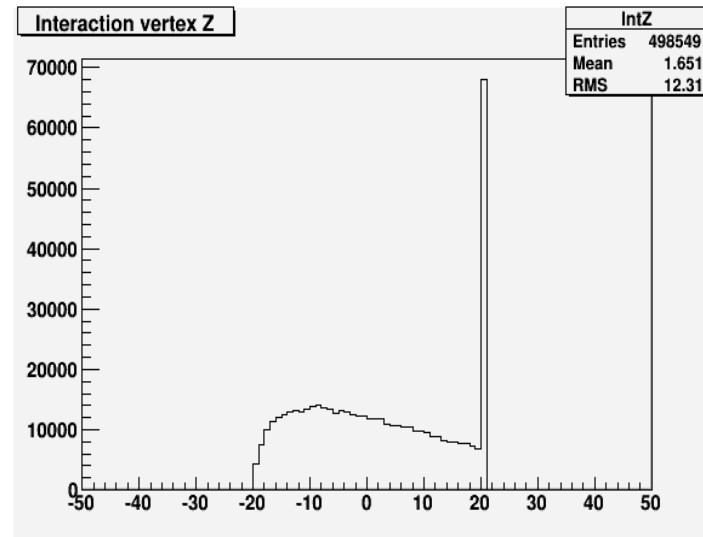
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Use a pencil dot beam

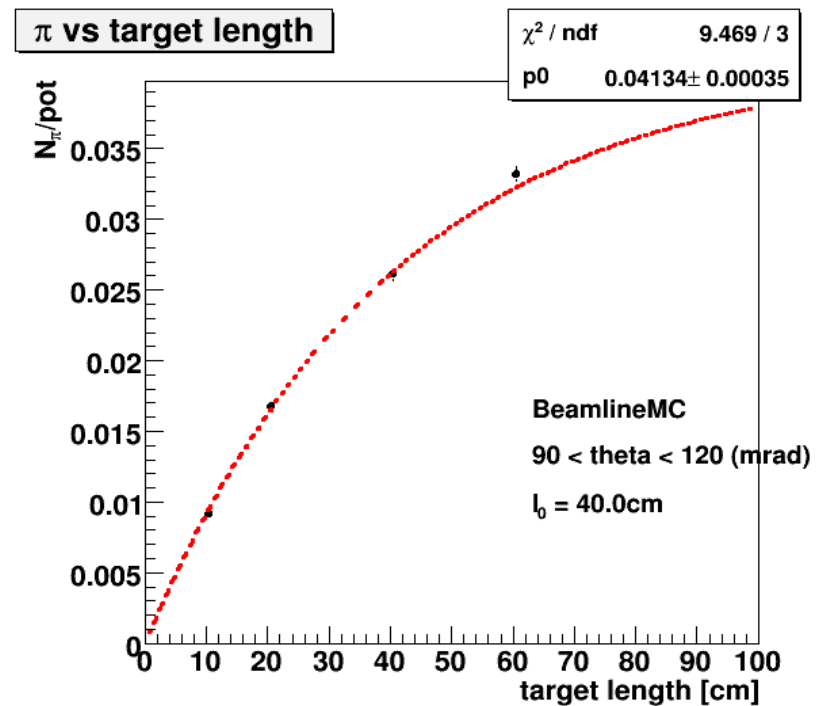
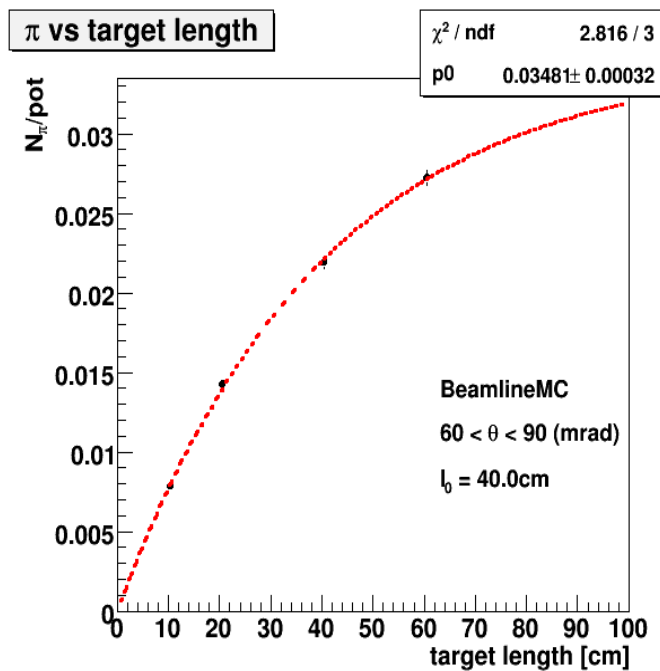
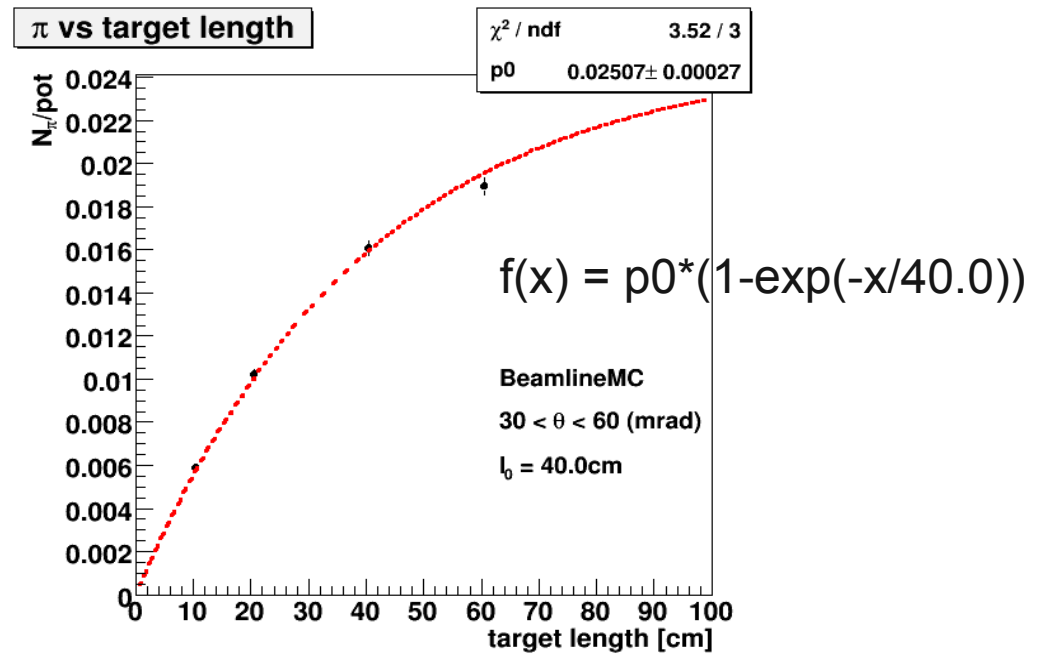
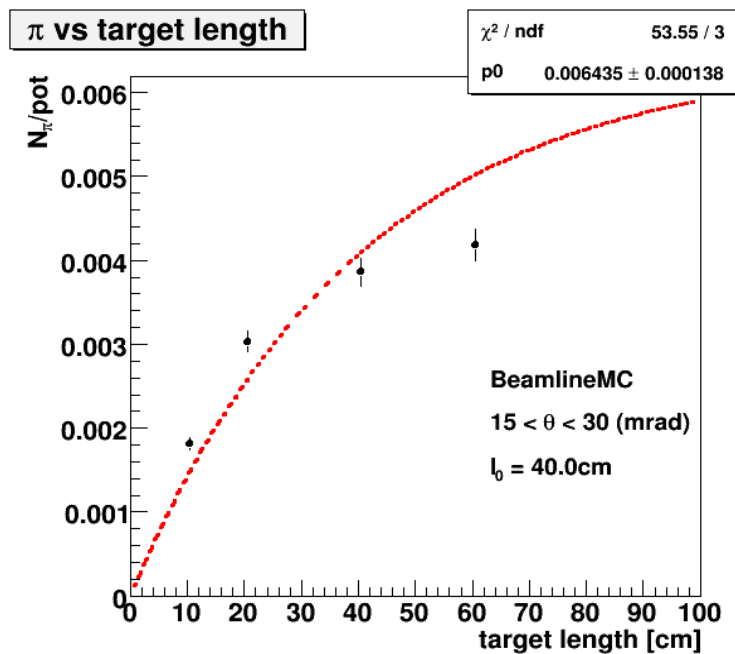
Has to change
For
Target coordinates

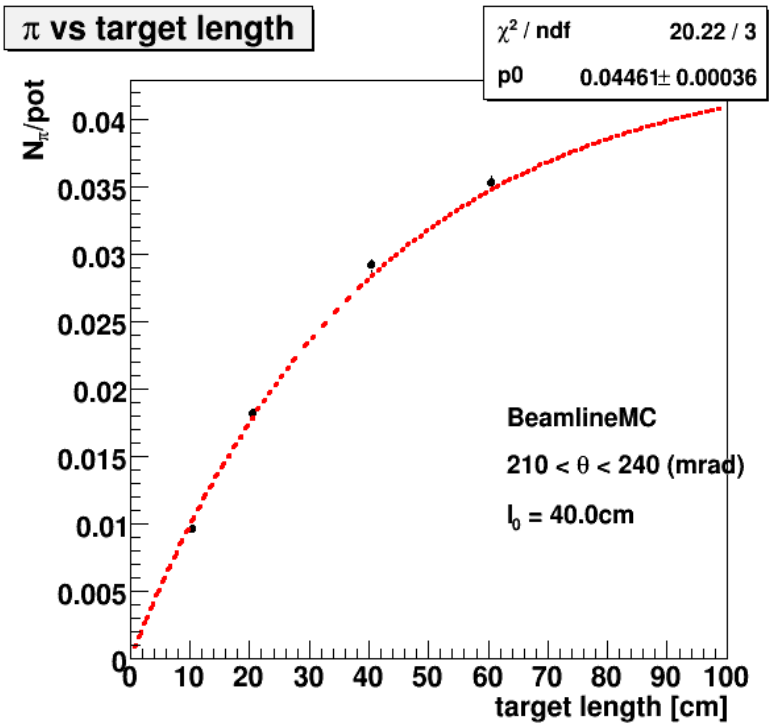
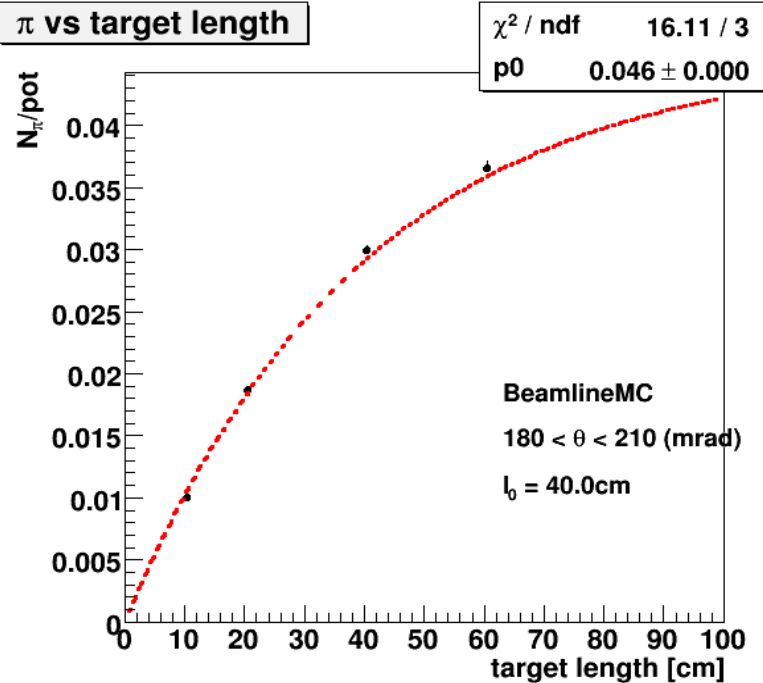
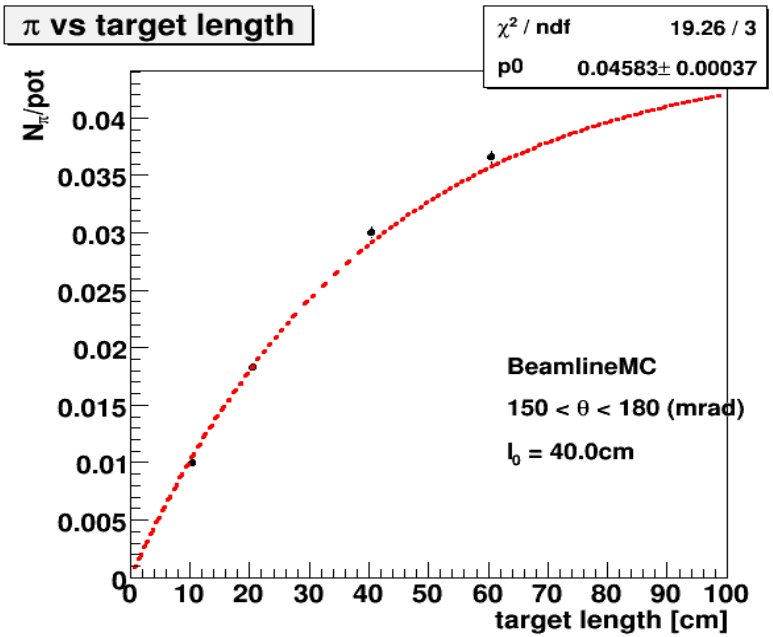
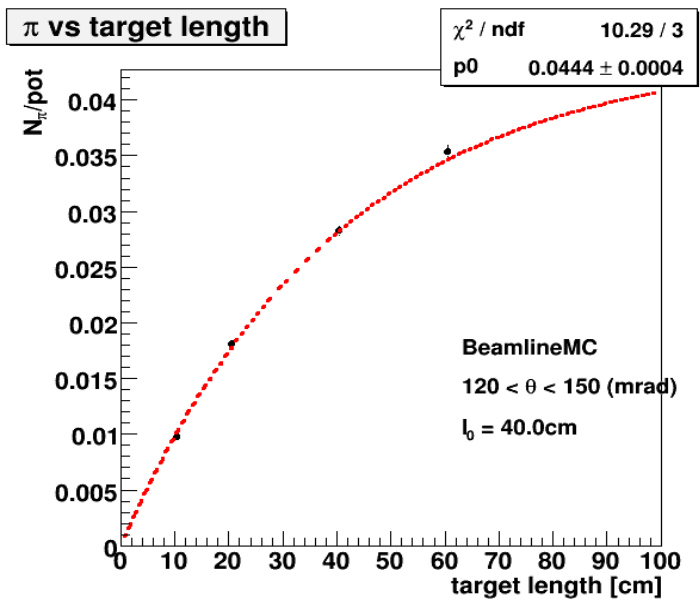
Geometries of Targets:

HARP25 = 10.0cm
HARP50 = 20.0cm
HARP100 = 40.0cm
HARP150 = 60.0cm



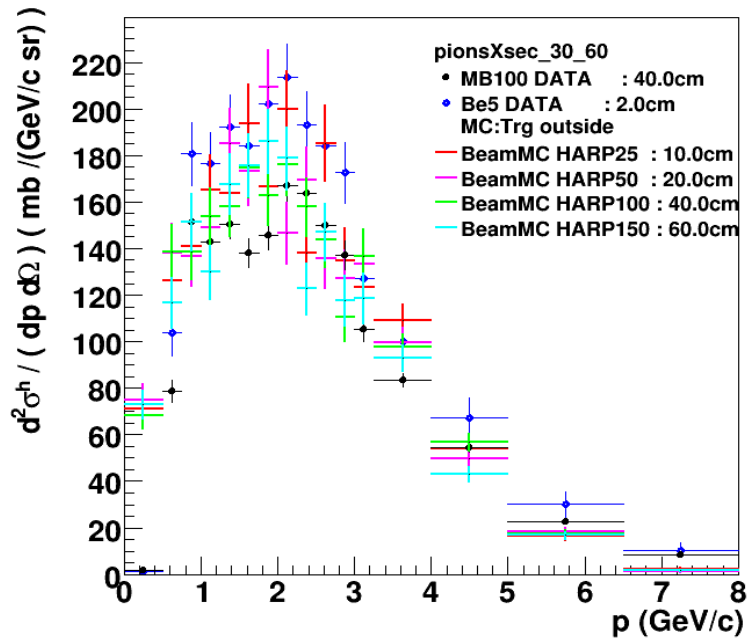
Pion distribution : Beamline MC



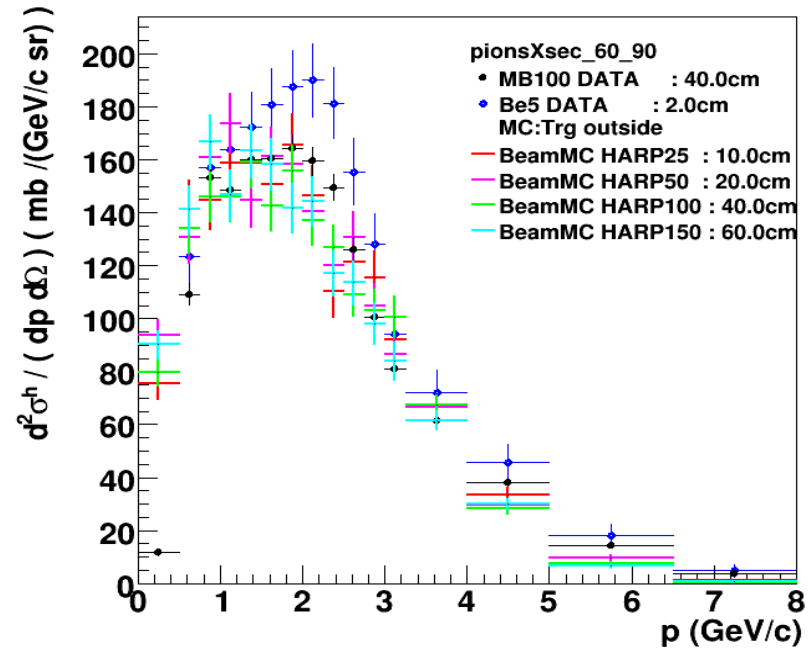


Compare cross sections

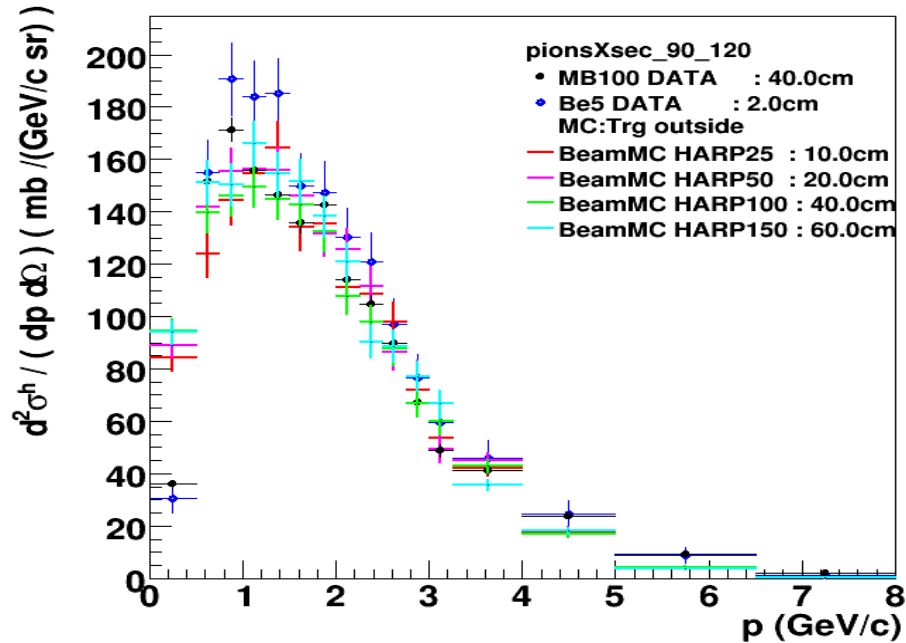
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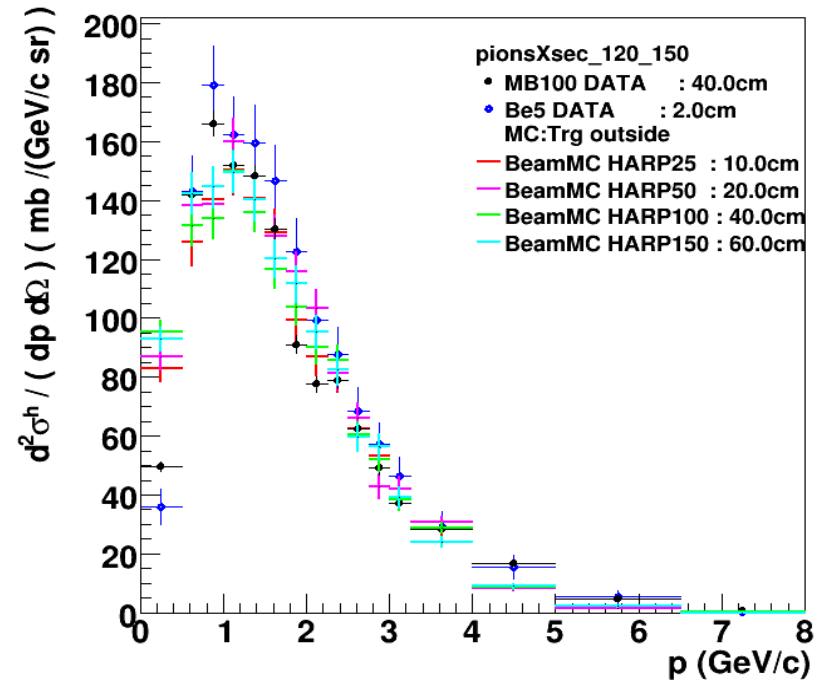
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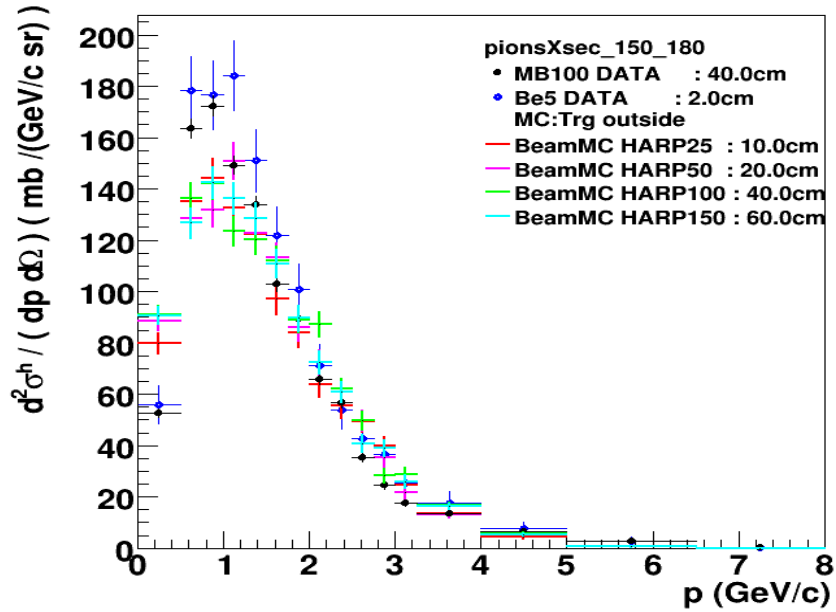
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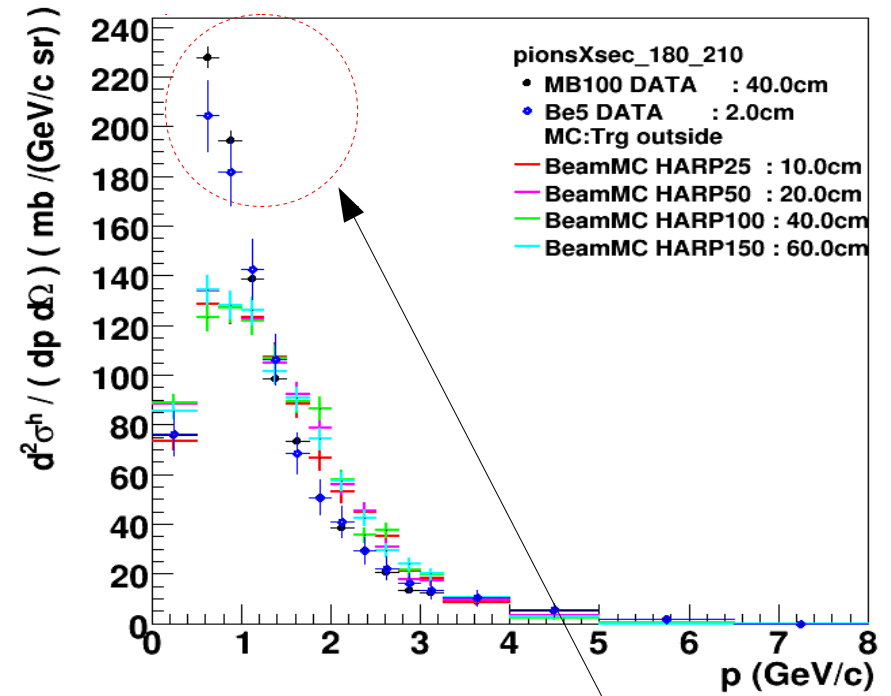
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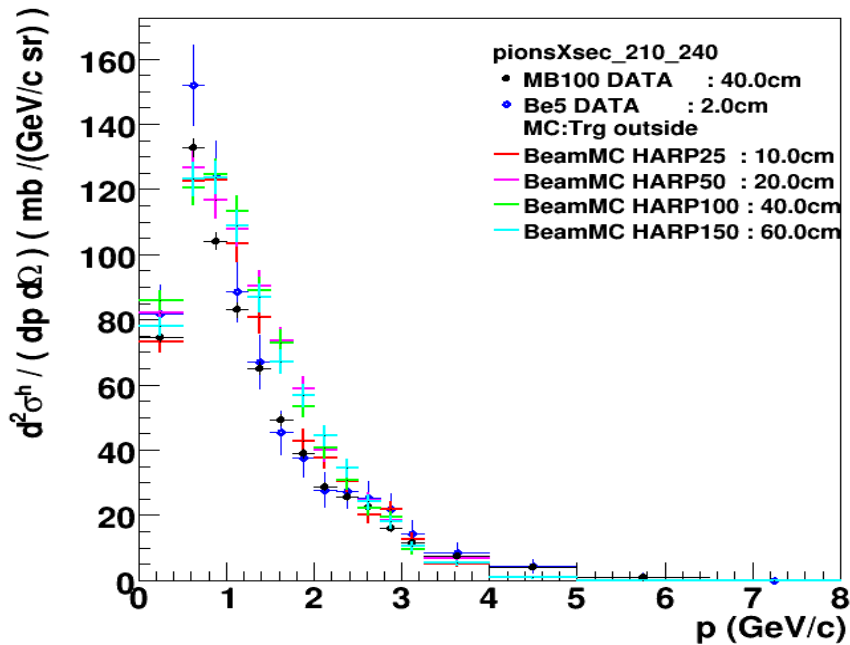


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Data has some higher cross section ?

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Backup slides

Calculation of thick target correction term

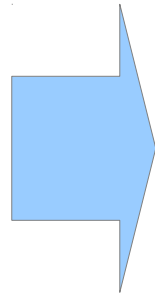
$$\xi_l = \frac{\sigma_{p-Be}}{(1 - e^{-nl\sigma_{p-Be}})}$$

For Beryllium

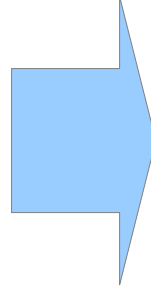
$$\rho = 1.85 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$$

$$A_{\text{targ}} = 9.012 \text{ g}$$

$$N_A = 6.022 \times 10^{23}$$



$$n = \frac{N_A \cdot \rho}{A_{\text{target}}}$$



$$n = 1.236 \times 10^{23} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$N_{\text{intr}} = N_0 \cdot e^{-n \cdot l \cdot \sigma_{p-Be}} \Rightarrow n \cdot l_0 \cdot \sigma_{p-Be} = 1 \text{ for one interaction length}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{p-Be} = \frac{1}{n \cdot l_0} \approx 202 \text{ mb} \quad \text{Assuming one interaction length} = 40 \text{ cm}$$

Correction terms

$$\xi_{Be5} \approx 4147.15 \approx \frac{1}{n \cdot l} = 4045.31 \text{ mb} \quad \text{effective correction} = 1.025 \text{ thin target result}$$

$$\xi_{MB50} \approx 513.90 \text{ mb}, \quad \frac{1}{nl} = 404.53 \text{ mb} \quad \text{effective correction} = 1.27 \text{ thin target results}$$

$$\xi_{MB100} \approx 319.80 \text{ mb}, \quad \frac{1}{nl} = 202 \text{ mb} \quad \text{effective correction} = 1.58 \text{ thin target results}$$