Simulation Study of GEM gating for LC-TPC

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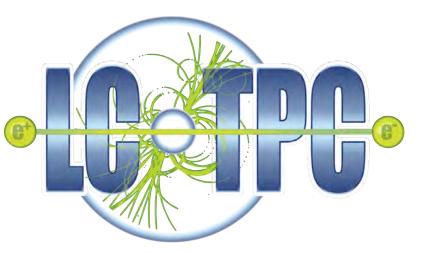
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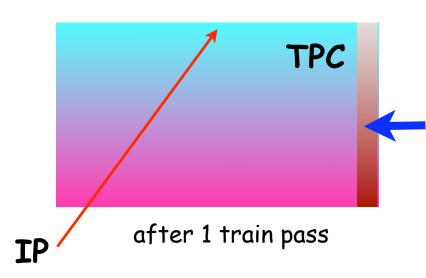
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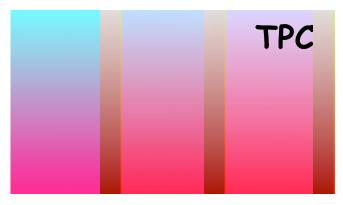
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Why do we need Gate for ions?

Ions are produced at the Drift region as primary ionization at MPGD region from gas multiplications (1000 times larger)





after several trains

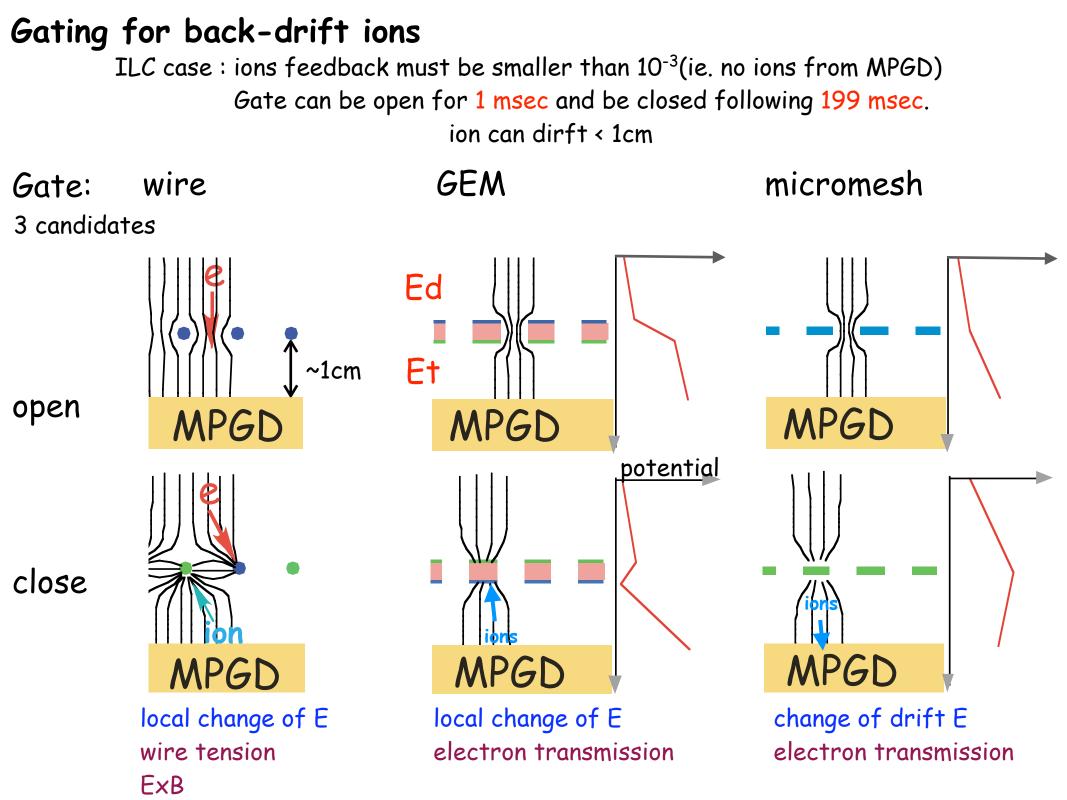
Ions @ drift may be accumulate for a few trains as ions drift is slow

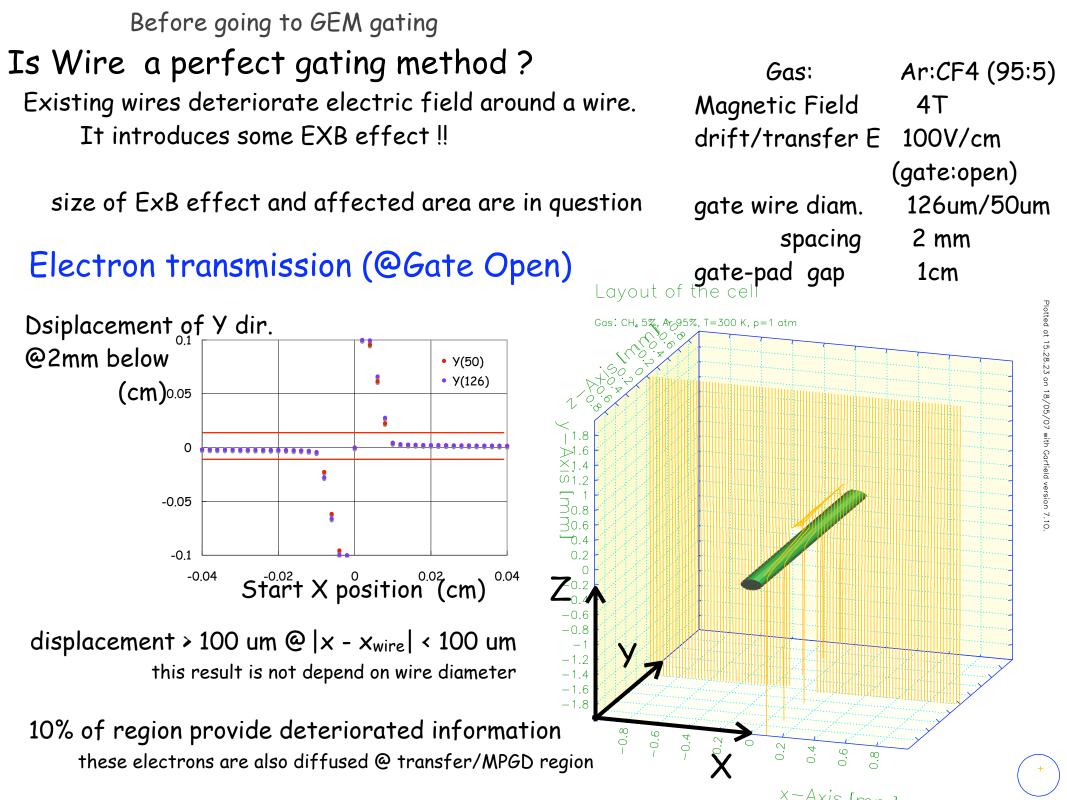
Ions produced at gas multiplications

Ions @ MPGD will form like a ion-dense disc which travel in drift region slowly if we don't have any gate mechanism to block ions

this disc may deteriorate drifting electron by E, E×B ... and these effects are not stable as ions are moving.

Ions produced at gas multiplications must be shut off by GATE





AXIS

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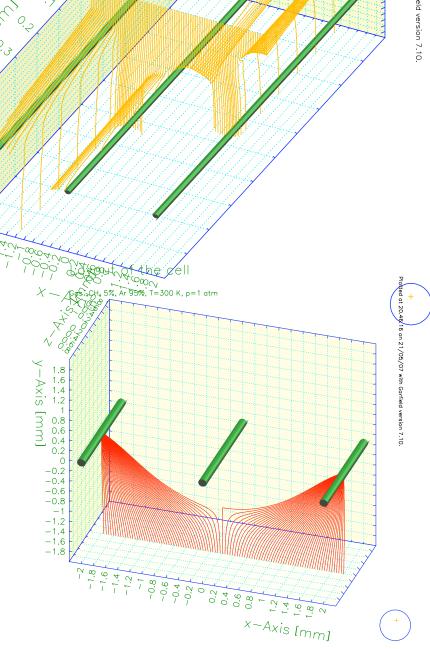
Electron transmission (@Gate Closed) VL = -50 V, VR = -150 V

Even Gate is closed, a half of electrons can go through gate plane.

large difference of VL and VR may reduce electron is transparency but.....

Ion blocking (@Gate Closed)

No problem about ions !!!

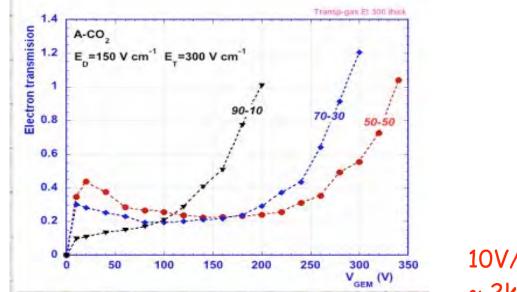


GEM gating

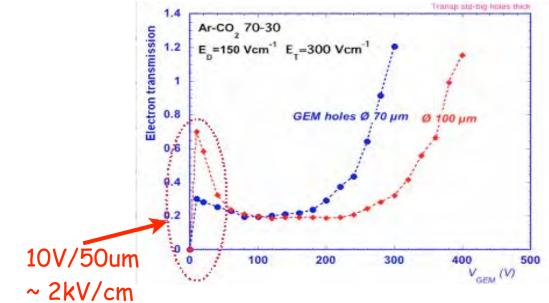
F. Sauli had proposed GEM as gating device @LBLTPC'06

Electron transmission had been measured as a function of $V_{\mbox{\scriptsize GEM}}$

for different Gas mixture



for different hole size



Low voltage operation may give us good electron transmission: where no gas amplification happen.

We hope to understand this mechanism and optimize GEM for ILC gate

E field calculation and electron simulation in gas help us to do this. Maxwell3D Garfield

BUT We have to make sure these tools provide correct answer

How do we understand electron transmission through simulation

Transmission = Collection eff. x Extraction eff.

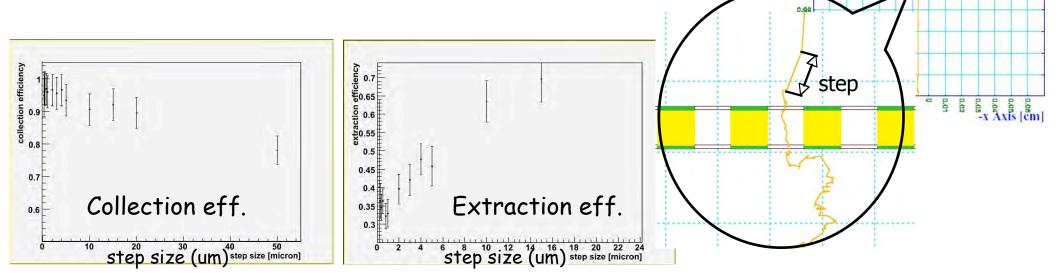
Collection eff. = #e reached to entrance of hole/#e generated Extraction eff. = #e extracted from hole/#e reached to ent.

electrons are generated 500um above GEM surface uniformly on a single cell. **Cautions 1**

Important parameter of Garfield is STEP SIZE step size : interval to update electron position

step size is controlled by # of collisions OR length.

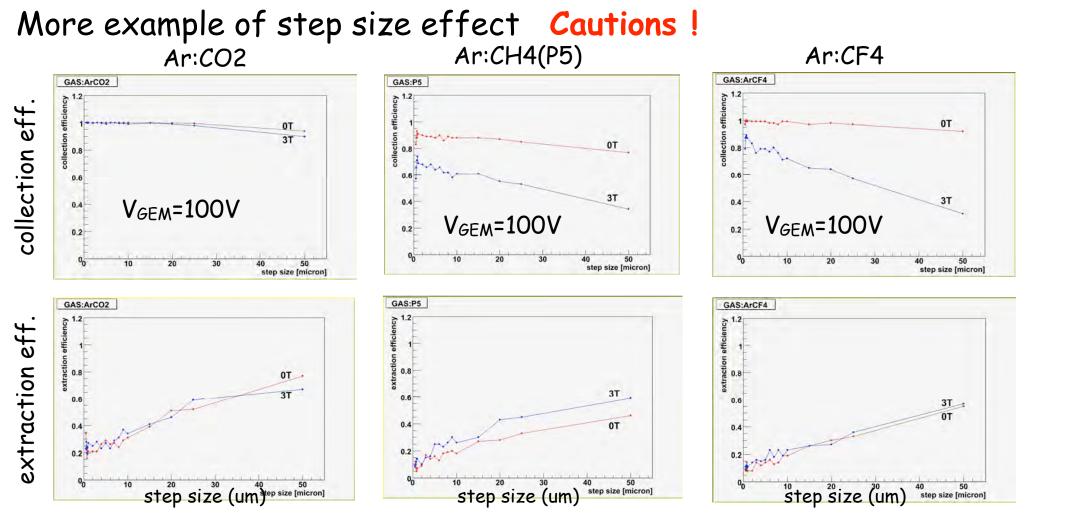
large step size -> incorrect result too small step size -> cal. stopped by Max. number(1000)



GEM Hole

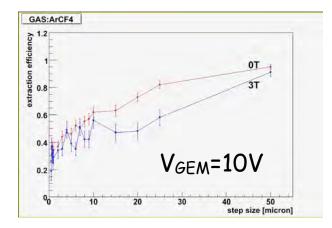
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NN-1.04



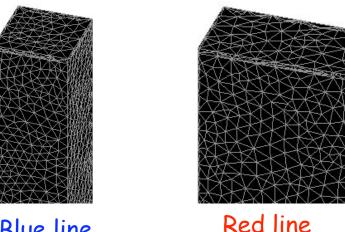
In any case, result change as step size result @ 0 step size must be close to true value !

We chose 2 um step size as the result may be close enough to true answer



Size of Field map Cautions 2

Field map used in garfield can be provided from Maxwell3D. but acceptable size is limited to ~ 10^5 elemtents



Blue line

mesh size ~ 2x Blue

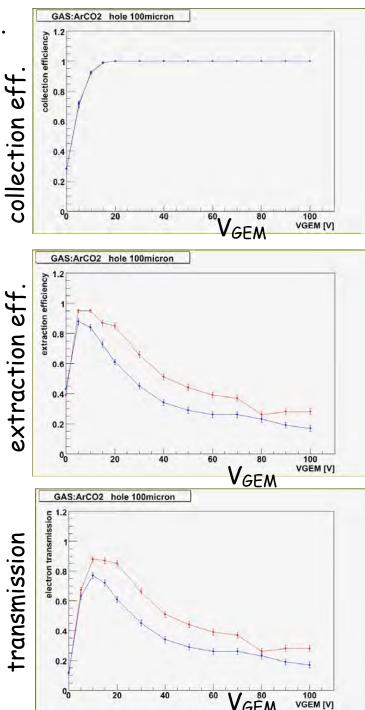
Collection eff. is same each other

ie. E filed @ collection seems to be precise enough Extraction eff. provides ~10% diff.

ie. E field is not precisely calculated in hole or interpolation of E field doesn't work in garfield

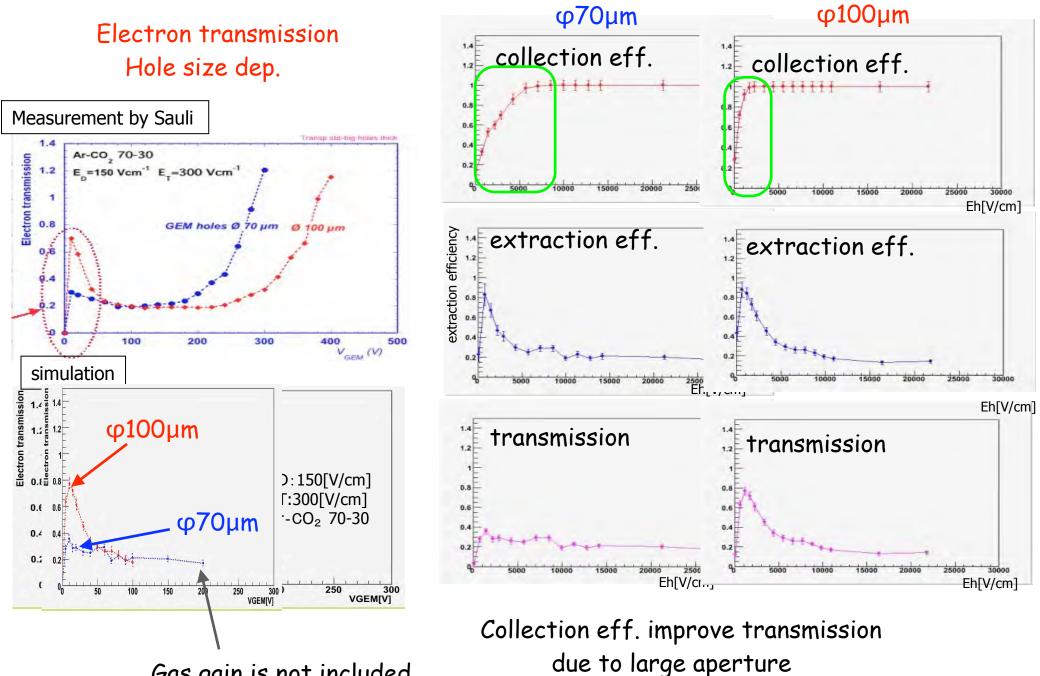
> In Maxwell3D, mesh is automatically generated we cannot quote exact volume of mesh

We have to remember accuracy of result when we use garfield



ArCO2

Comparison to exp. results



Gas gain is not included

Collection eff. has been studied by several groups as a func. of Ed/Eh and known to be ~1 @Ed/Eh < 0.03 (ie 4.5kV/cm here) it is relaxed when hole become larger.

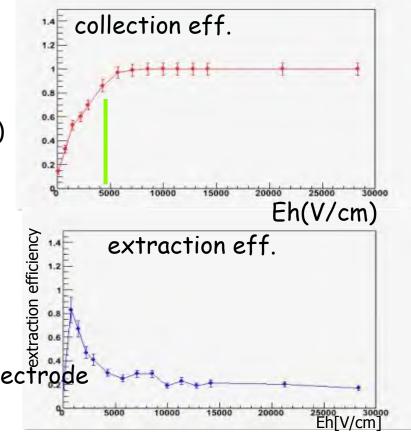
Extraction eff. behave more complicatedly

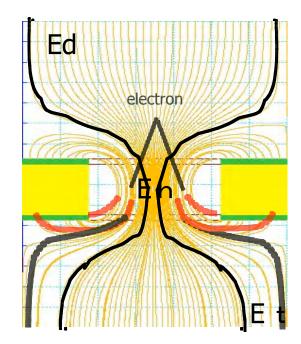
- area of penetrating field line become small as Eh
- electron can spread due to diffusion(Eh)
- some electron follow returned filed line to GEM electrode

area of penetrating field line is larger @ low Eh higher extraction diffusion behavior is also important !

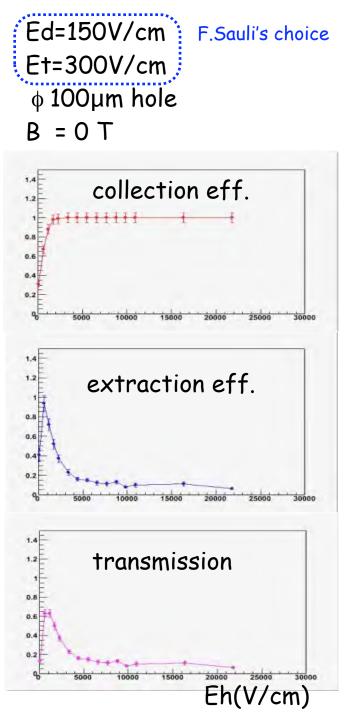
This means "transmission is largely depend on gas"

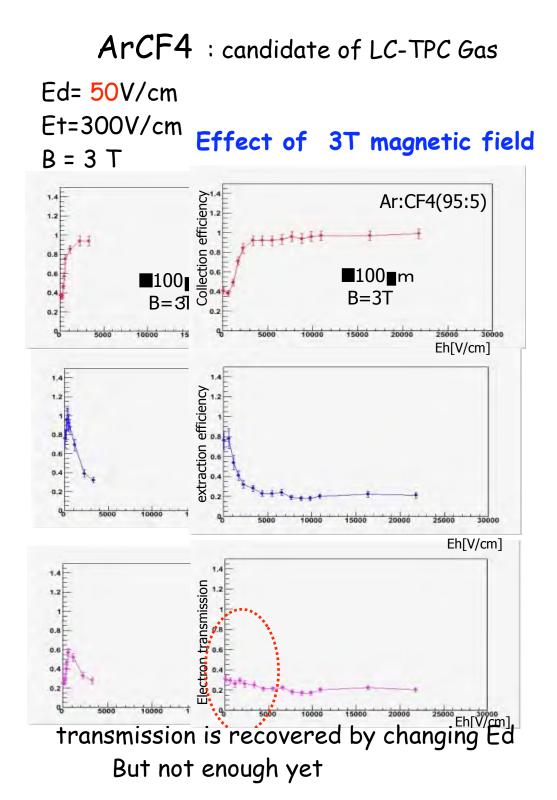
LC also requires High Magnetic Field (3~4 T)





Effect of Magnetic Field





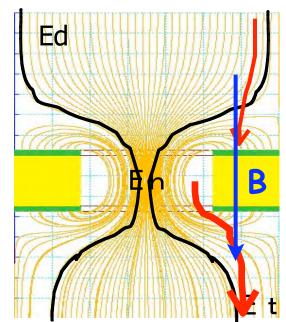
What's happening in B field ?

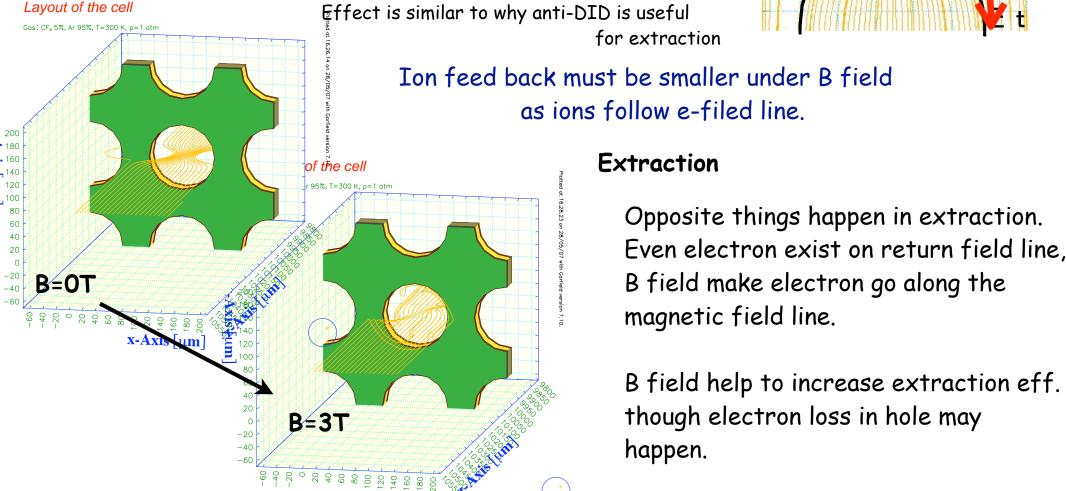
Collection

Once electron is attracted to the hole,

ExB effect make electron rotate around the hole Increasing Eh field produce more line from upper GEM electrode and make this effect mild.

So, electrons are spread over whole hole under High B field





Optimization of GEM Gating for LC-TPC

High Magnetic Field (3 ~ 4 Tesla) High ωτ gas

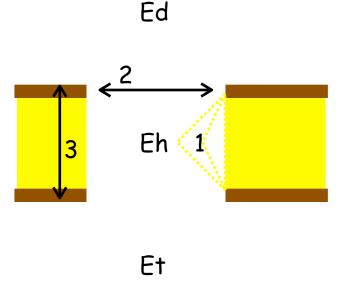
Ar:CF4 is the first candidate for this (w/iso-C4H10)

Optimization of GEM itself

- 1. Hole shape
- 2. Hole Size/pitch
- 3. thickness

Optimization of operation condition

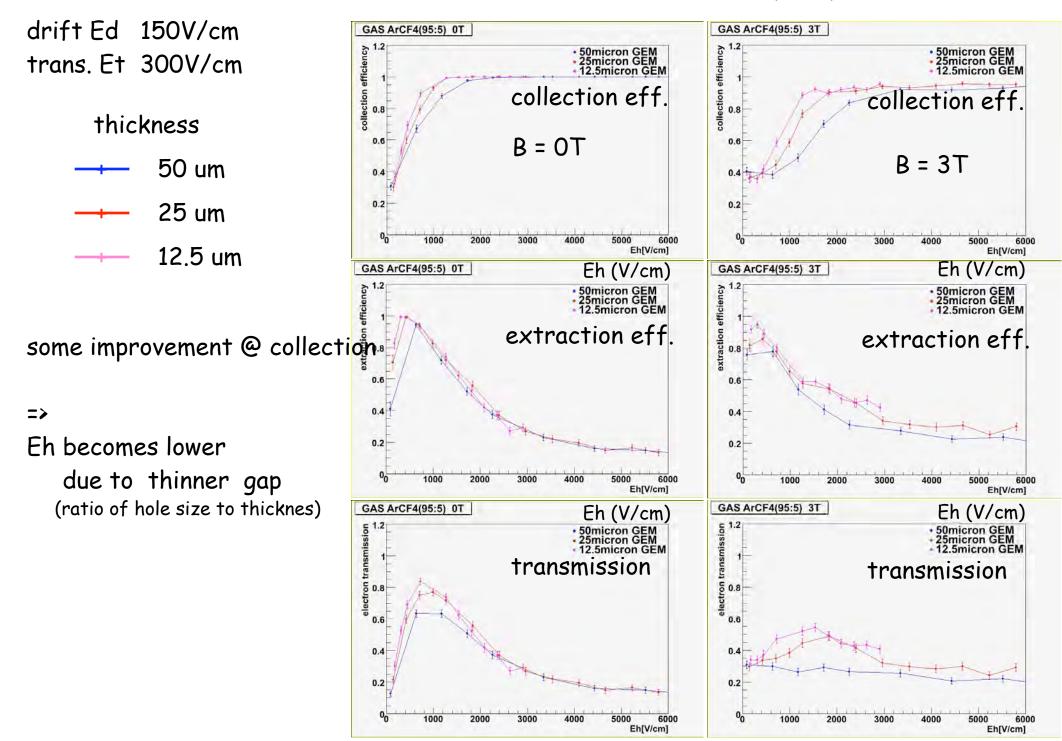
- 1. Drift E field : Ed
- 2. Hole E field (VGEM) : Eh
- 3. transfer E field : Et



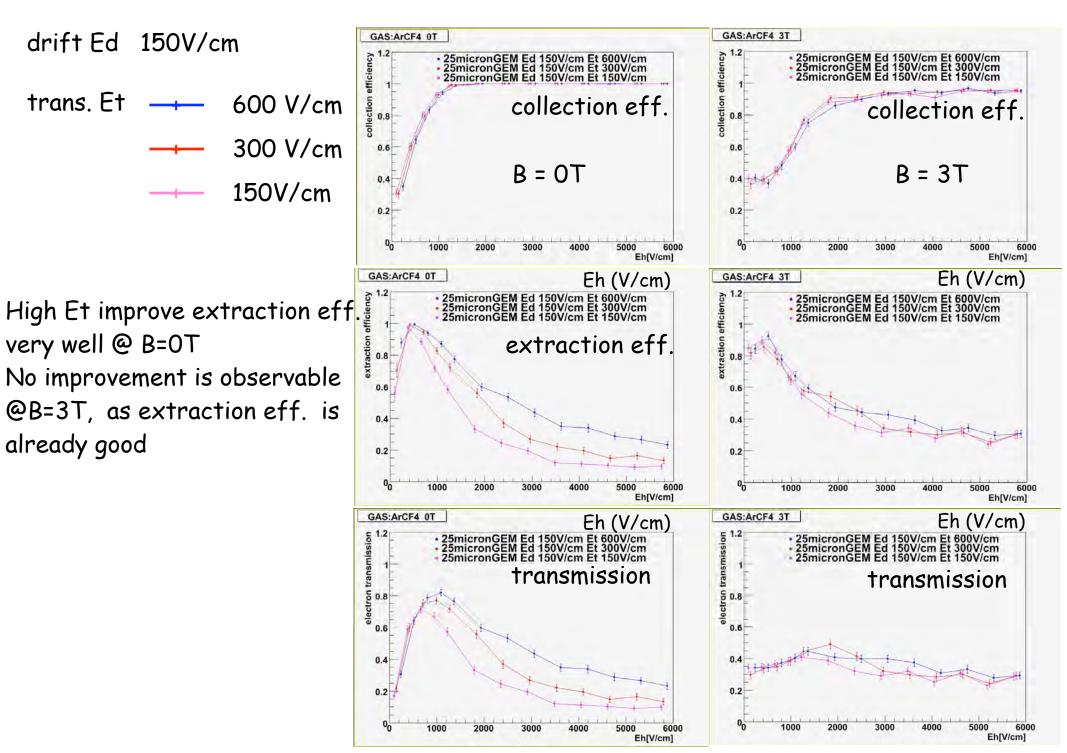
Thickness of GEM Gate

Gas:

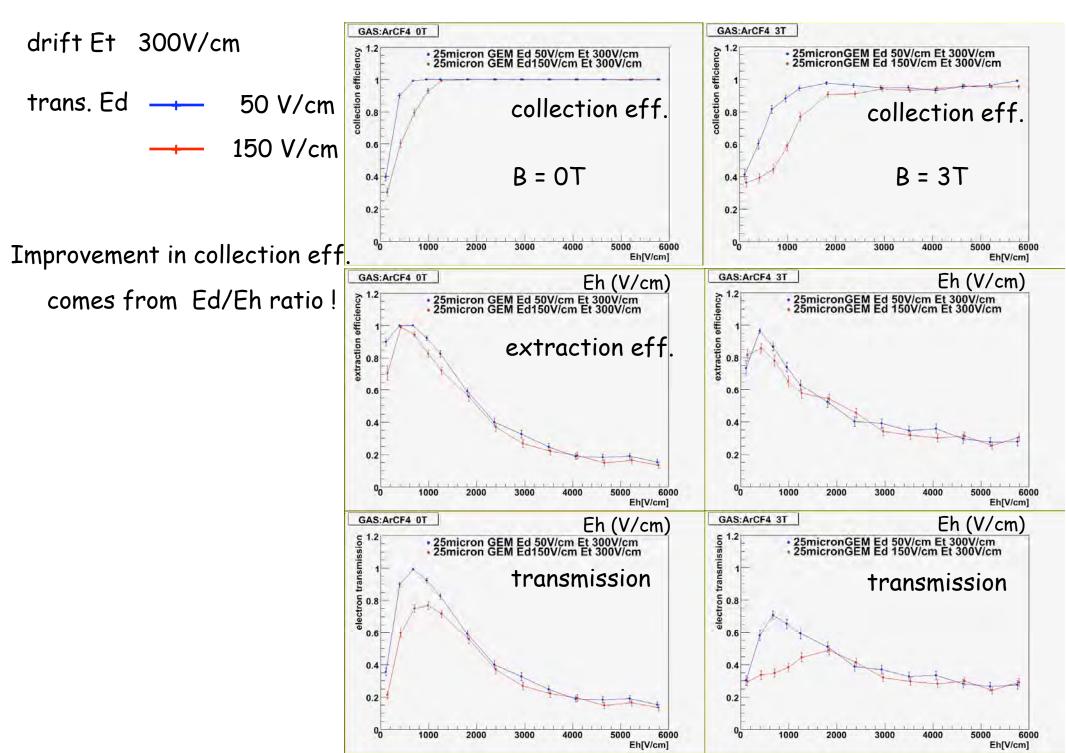
Ar:CF4 (95:5)



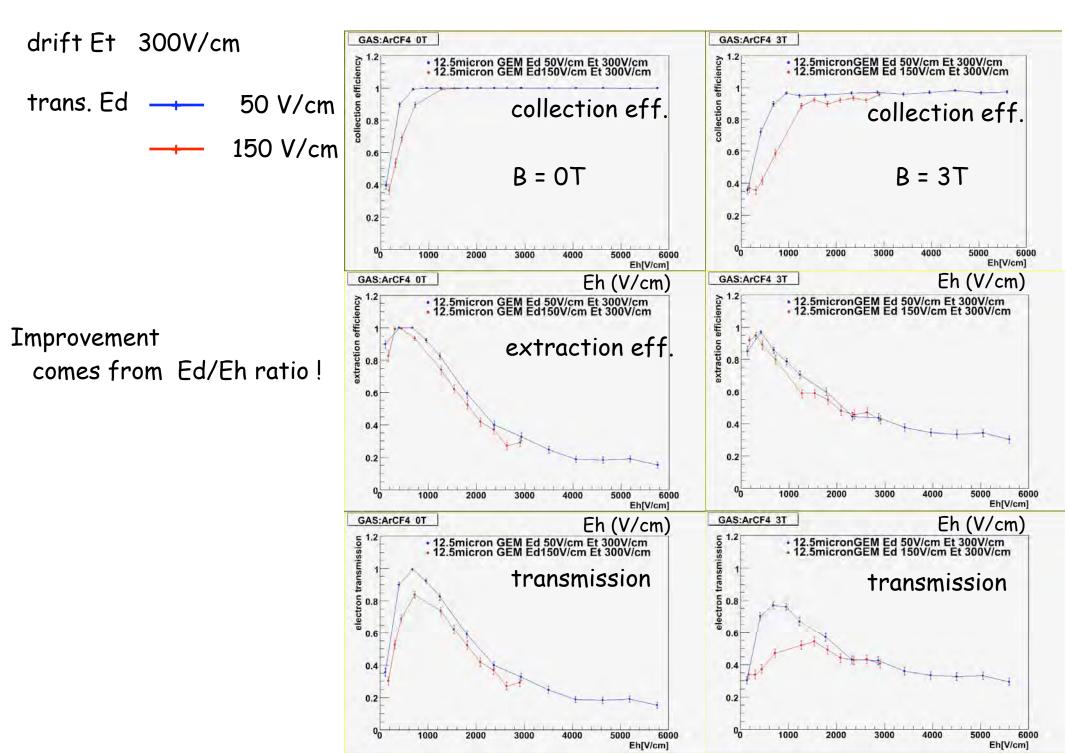
Effect of Et @25 um thick GEM



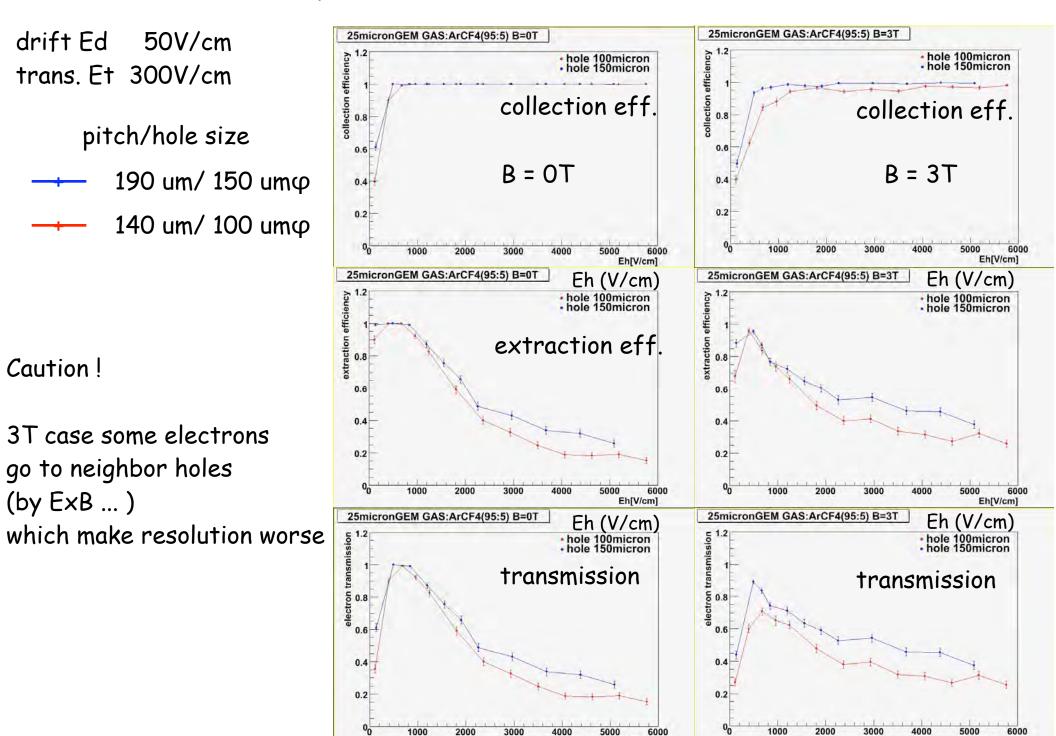
Effect of Ed @25 um thick GEM



Effect of Ed @12.5 um thick GEM



Effect of hole size/pitch @25 um thick GEM

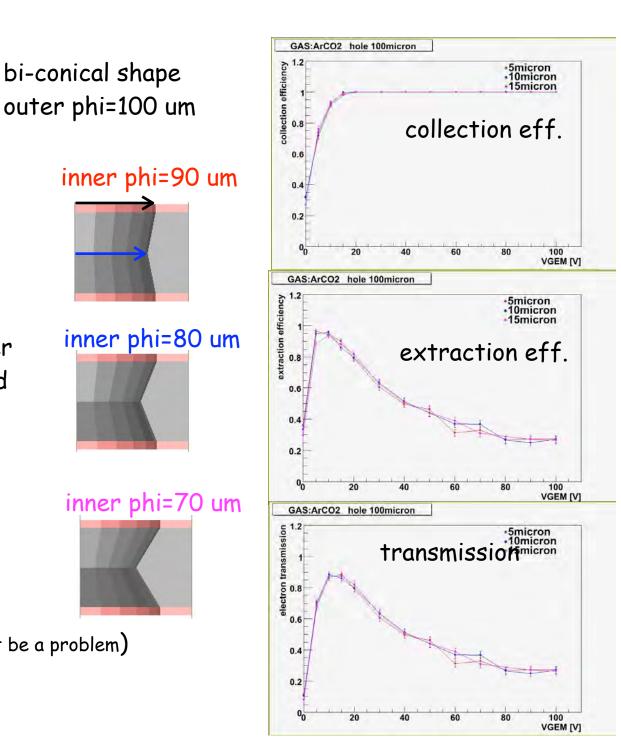


Eh[V/cm]

Eh[V/cm]

Effect of hole shape

Hole shape



Hole shape is not a matter ! Over etching will be also not a matter under low E field

BUT, under B field the situation may be changed !? as B change electron path (not done yet,

but japanese GEM has straight hole would not be a problem)

Summary of simulation study

If GEM would be used for GATE, it must be

Aperture must be large (larger hole size) Thinner GEM is better for Gating Field shaping around hole Eh need to be kept low (diffuion) Ed must be low (50V/cm) Et must be high (300V/cm) (but just below diffusion rise)

We may be able to achieve 70% transmission @25um thick GEM in simulation. Do you accept this number ?? (10% error may exist)

Confirmation is necessary ! especially under High B field

Need to establish how to measure. 25um thick GEM is available (though hole diameter is 90 um) Do we try 12.5um for 10% improvement?

DESY 5T magnet is necessary for this

Let's do together