

# *Status Report of Gas Studies at UVic*

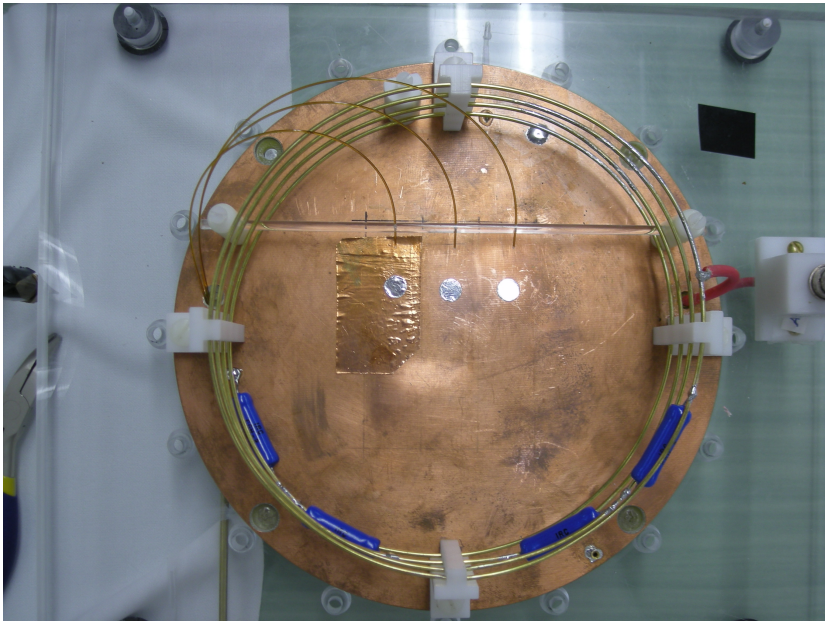
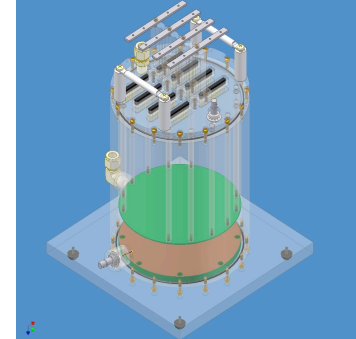
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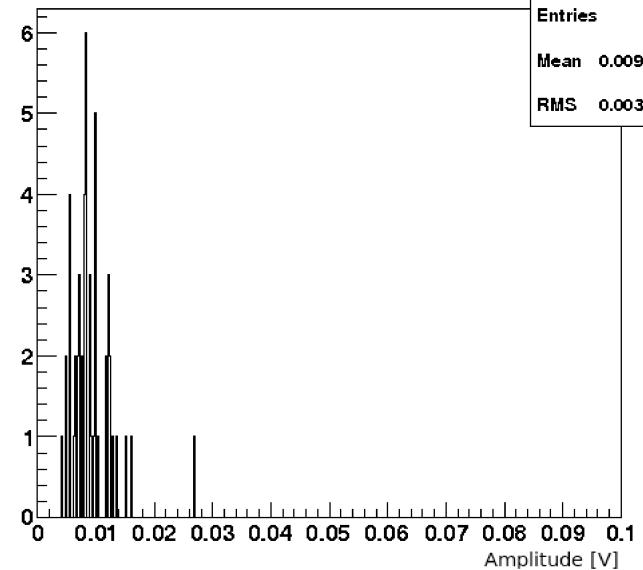
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# Gas Gain Studies

- Gas gain measurements made simultaneously with with the laser-photoelectron TPC setup.
- Uses Poisson fluctuations from the photoelectrons



pulse amplitude at peakttime



# Gas Gain Measurements

- Gas gain measurements made simultaneously with the drift velocity in the laser-photoelectron TPC setup.
- Amplitude (A) exhibits Poisson fluctuations from the photoelectrons, convoluted with exponential gas gain distribution and Gaussian laser intensity fluctuations.
  - Mean no. photoelectrons =  $N_{pe}$  = Variance of no. photoelectrons
  - No. of electrons produced via avalanche of one p.e. distributed exponentially with mean  $G_{gas}$  and variance  $G_{gas} * G_{gas}$ .
  - The laser intensity has a sigma of  $b$
- The conversion from no. of electrons to measured amplitude is  $G_{elec}$ .
- Conversion from no. electrons to voltage A is  $G_{elec}[V/e]$

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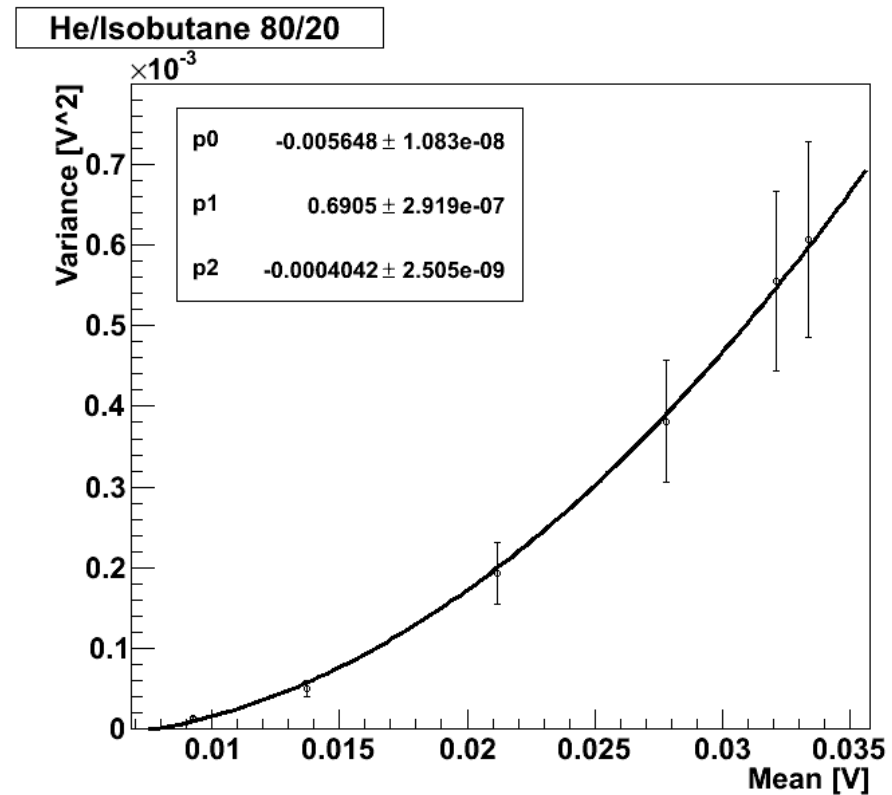
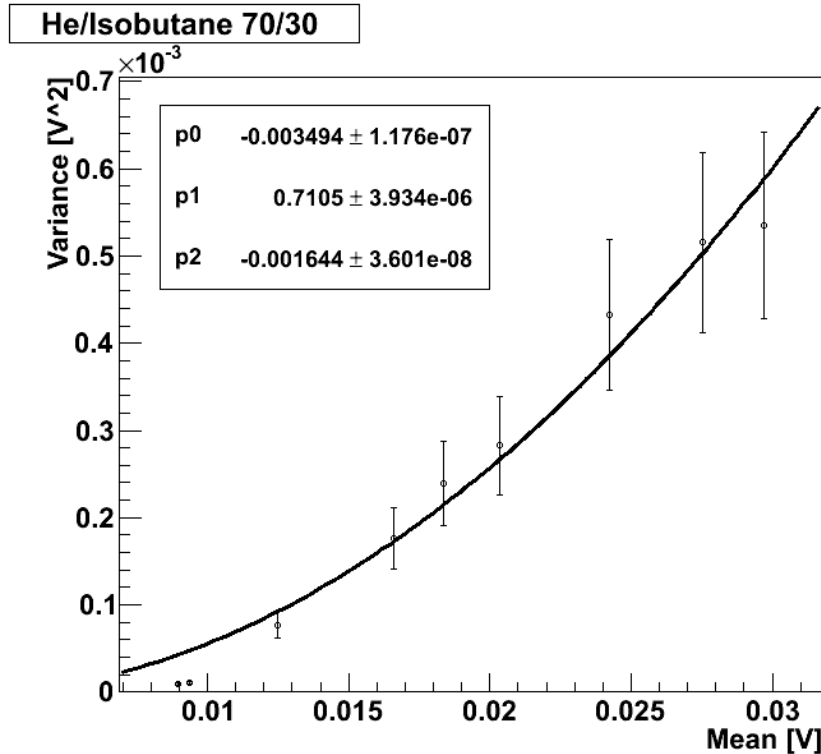
- Expectation value of amplitude =  $E[A] = G_{elec} * G_{gas} * N_{pe}$
- Variance from p.e. =  $V[A]_e = G_{elec}^2 * G_{gas}^2 * N_{pe}$
- Variance from gas gain =  $V[A]_g = G_{elec}^2 * N_{pe} * G_{gas}^2$
- Variance from laser =  $V[A]_l = G_{elec}^2 * (b * G_{gas} * N_{pe})^2$

Total Variance is  $V[A] = V[A]_e + V[A]_g + V[A]_l$

$$= 2 * G_{elec} * G_{gas} * (E[A]) + b^2 * (E[A])^2$$

- Fit quadratic form to  $V[A]$  vs  $E[A]$  to extract  $G_{elec} * G_{gas}$
- Calibrate system with step voltage into capacitor to obtain conversion from charge to voltage amplitude and extract  $G_{elec}$

e.g. Variance vs. Mean - quadratic term dominates so difficult to extract gain this way



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## Preparing for new prototypes

- last month have shipped the following  
from SLAC and Princeton to TRIUMF

- BaBar feedthroughs
- connector boards
- Crimp tools
- W sense wire
- Al field wire (Au)

hypertronic connectors still to come from Colorado

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