

## Update on large MWPC prototype

- We had 4 non-functional or low-functional wires
  - i. Not working. Bad 100  $\Omega$  series resistor: replaced. Wire fixed.
  - ii. Low amplitude. HV capacitor not soldered in place: soldered. Wire fixed.
  - iii. Low amplitude. HV capacitor not soldered in place: soldered. Wire fixed.
  - iv. “Hot” wire, 400 mV signal at 150 kHz. No obvious problem visible on that channel, even with wire under a microscope: replaced wire. Wire fixed.
- Putting wheels on the MWPC so we can roll it out of the clean room.
- Working out details of being able to roll the MWPC into a truck, cushioning and securing the MWPC with wires vertical.

## Wire electroplating study

- I have a student interested in working with me on sense wire electroplating, and detector construction.
- To get gas gain  $G \approx 1$ , estimate that we need a plated wire diameter of  $\approx 200 \mu\text{m}$ . This is  $\times 10$  the bare wire diameter. I don't know if this is possible.
- The carbon tubes have an OD of  $700 \mu\text{m}$
- The weight load on the sense wire due to  $200 \mu\text{m}$  electroplating is similar to the carbon tubes. In terms of mechanical stress on the sense wires, electroplating has no advantage over carbon tubes.
- May try electroplating sense wires and putting them into the small MWPC prototypes we've discussed building.