

# SIMULATED ATTACHMENT

A closer look at PyBoltz Attachment

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# OVERVIEW

- Introduction and background
- Pure  $O_2$
- $CF_4$
- $C_2H_4$ ,  $H_2O$ , and  $O_2$
- Argon PyBoltz vs MagBoltz
- P-10
- Argon oxygen mixtures

# INTRODUCTION

- I spoke at the Monday MPD meeting June 15<sup>th</sup>  
(<https://indico.fnal.gov/event/43887/>)
- Using PyBoltz to simulate and understand electron drift properties.
- Showed PyBoltz attachment to oxygen under several conditions. Cross checking PyBoltz reported attachments.
- Comparing PyBoltz attachment output to several papers on oxygen attachment.
- Also checking MagBoltz (Andrew Cudd)

# PURE OXYGEN

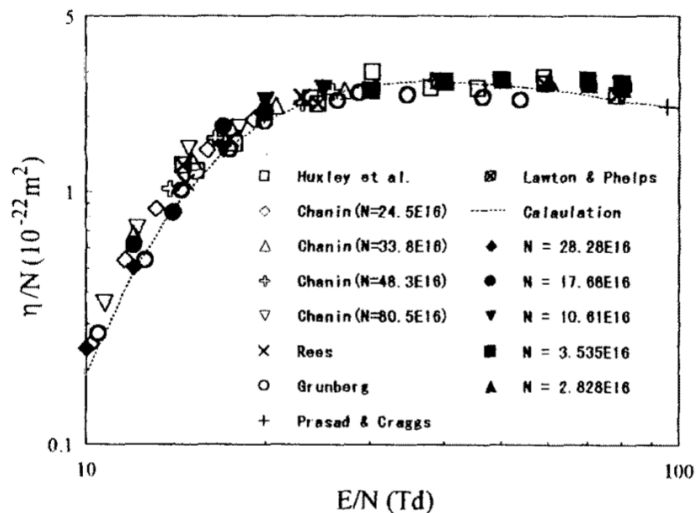


Figure 3. The density normalized electron attachment coefficients,  $\eta/N$ , as a function of  $E/N$  being two-body attachment processes in pure oxygen.

Jeon, B. H., & Nakamura, Y. (1998). Measurement of Electron Attachment Coefficient in Oxygen and Oxygen-Argon Mixtures. *IEEJ Transactions on Fundamentals and Materials*, 118(7-8), 874-879.

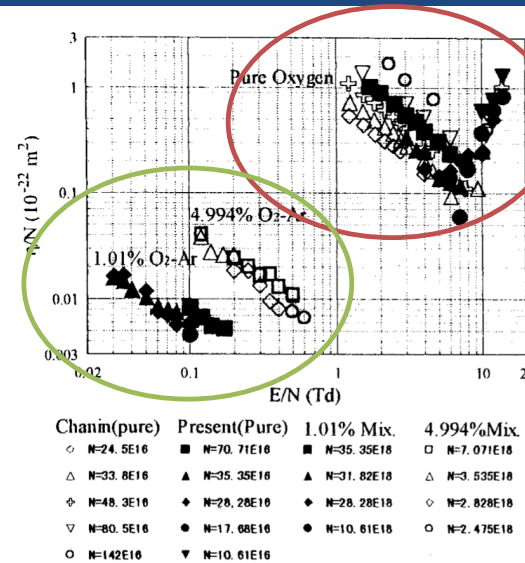
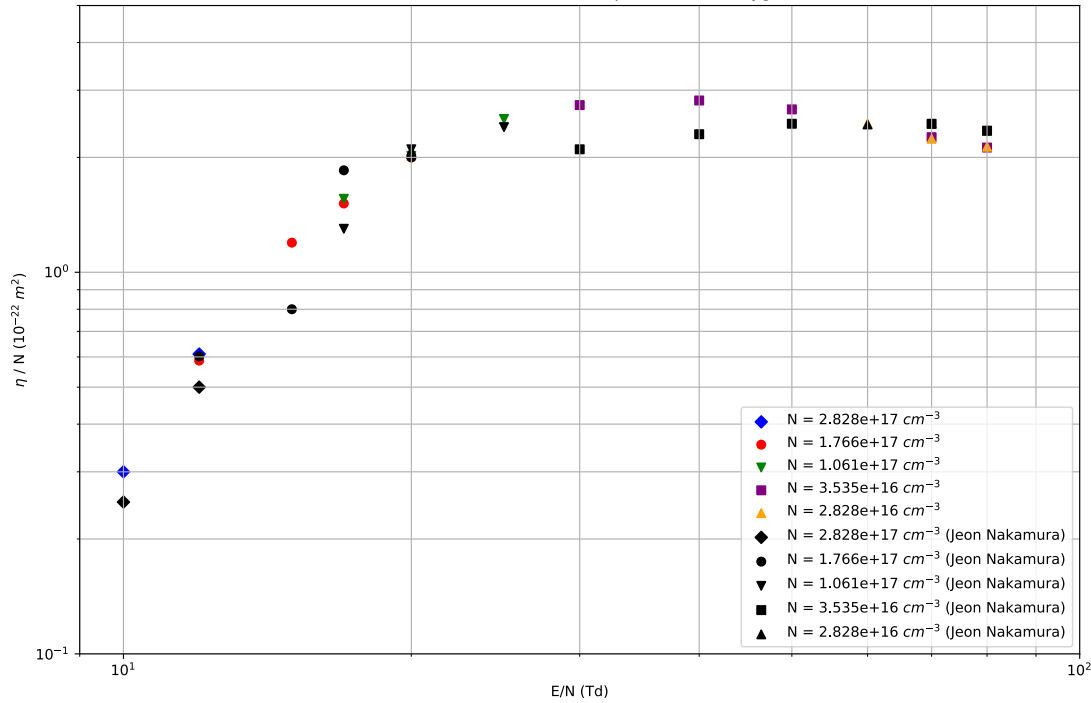


Figure 6. The density normalized electron attachment coefficients,  $\eta/N$ , as a function of  $E/N$  being three-body attachment processes in pure oxygen and in oxygen-argon mixtures.

- Looking at normalized attachment  $\frac{\eta}{N}$  for Jeon Nakamura figures 3 and 6.
- $N$  the gas number density determines the settings to run PyBoltz.
  - $$N = \frac{n}{V} = \frac{P}{RT}$$
- Start by looking at pure oxygen
- Look at 4.994% and 1.01% at the end.

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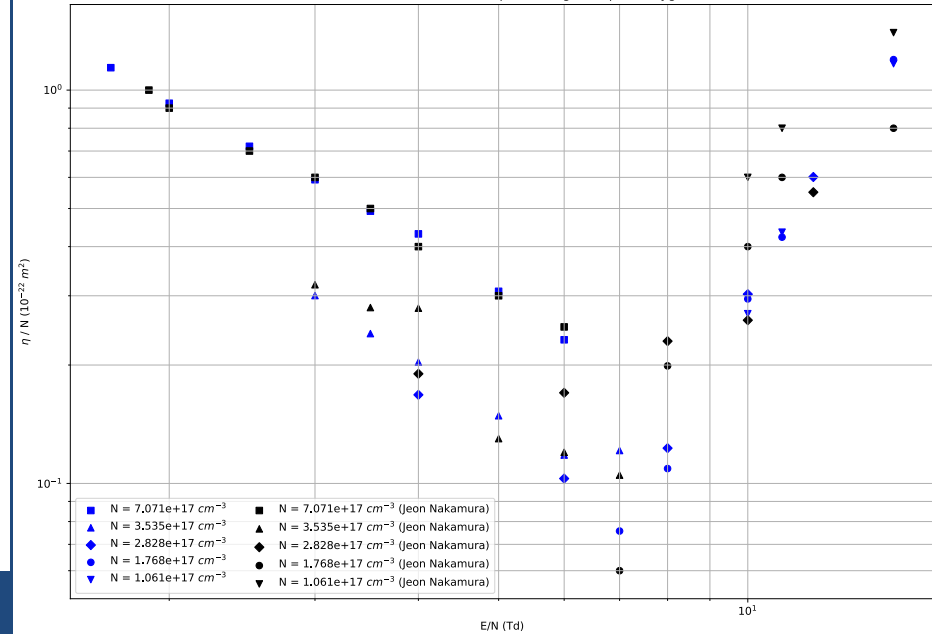
Normalized Attachment Comparison Pure Oxygen

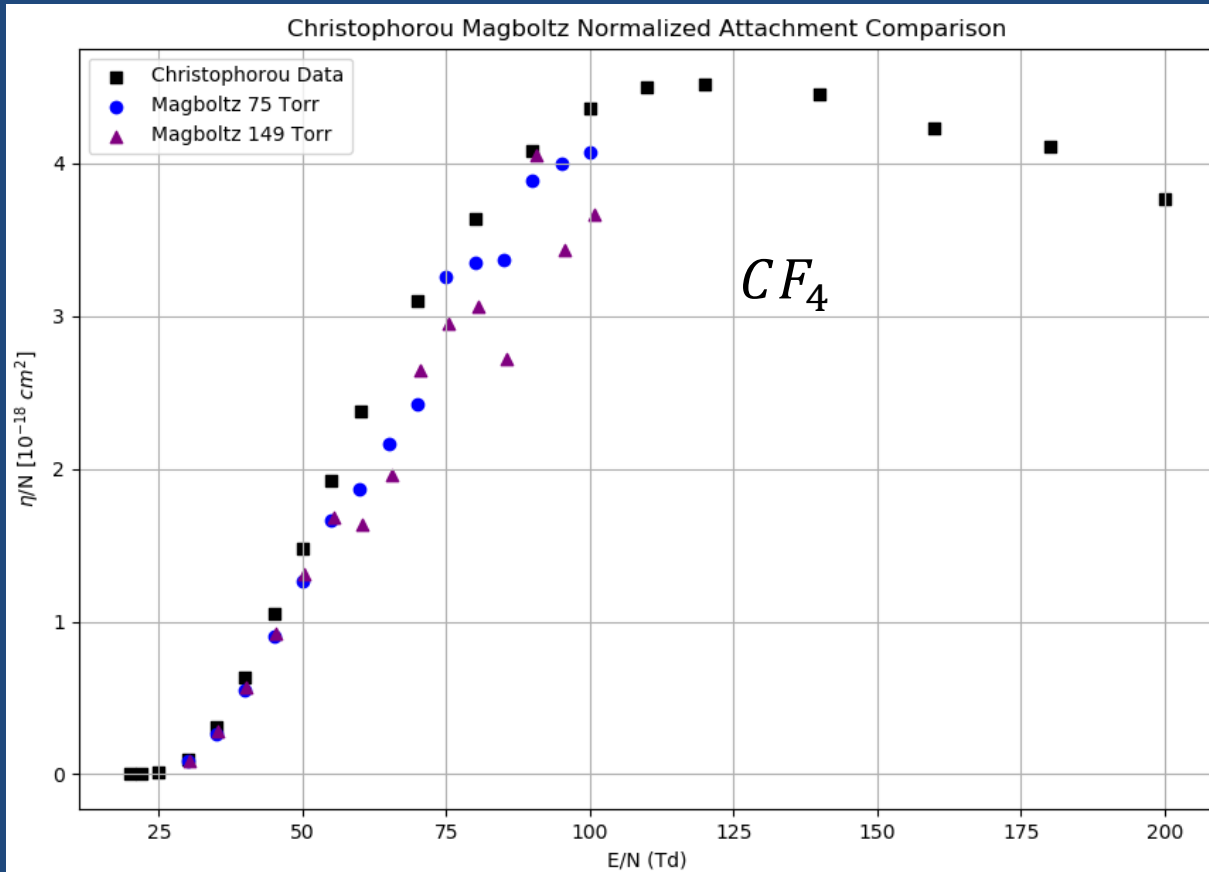


Color points PyBoltz simulation  
Black points are data

- Simulations match data

Normalized Attachment Comparison Figure 6 pure Oxygen



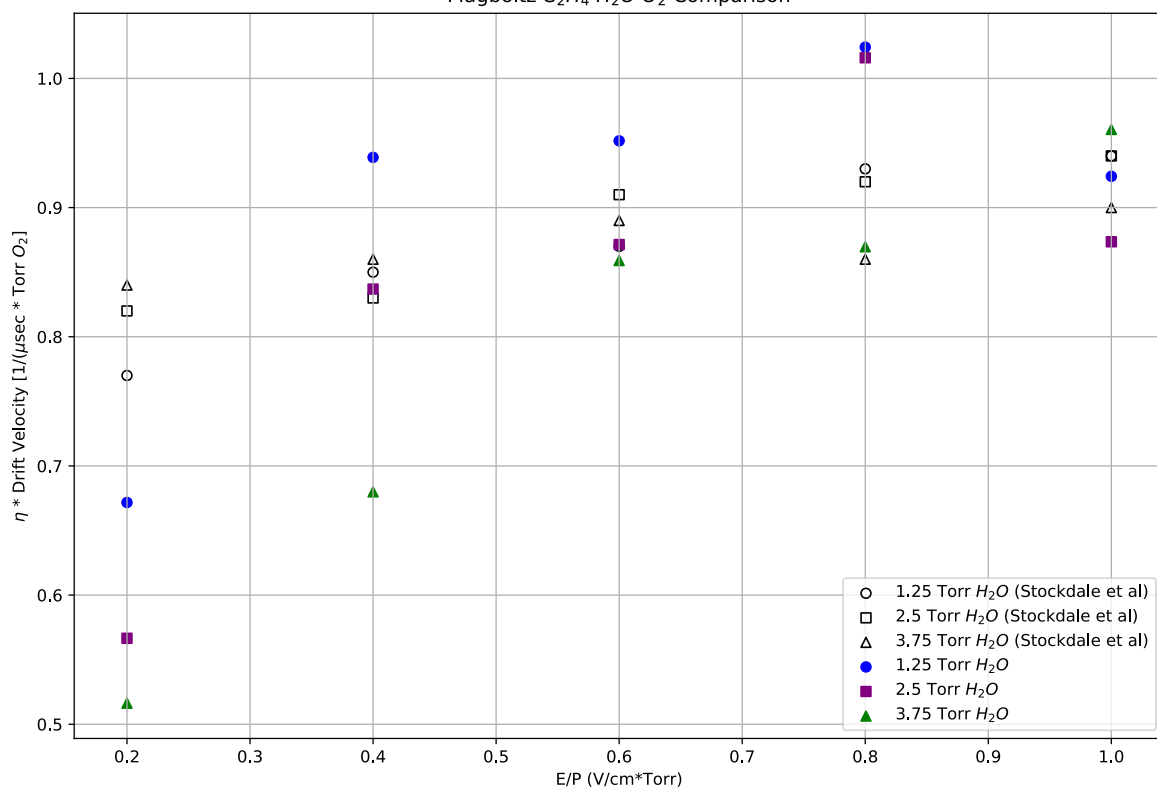


- MagBoltz attachment matches  $CF_4$  data.

J. Chem. Phys. **86**, 693 (1987); <https://doi.org/10.1063/1.452272>  
S. R. Hunter, J. G. Carter, and L. G. Christophorou

# ETHYLENE : WATER : OXYGEN

Magboltz  $C_2H_4$   $H_2O$   $O_2$  Comparison



- Data and simulation agree within 0.35  $\eta * D_V$  (not so well at low E/P)
- The discrepancy between this data and simulation is not multiple orders of magnitude off...

J. Chem. Phys. **47**, 3267 (1967); <https://doi.org/10.1063/1.1712388>  
J.A. Stockdale, L. G. Christophorou, and G. S. Hurst

# ARGON-METHANE, ARGON CARBON DIOXIDE (PYBOLTZ VS MAGBOLTZ)

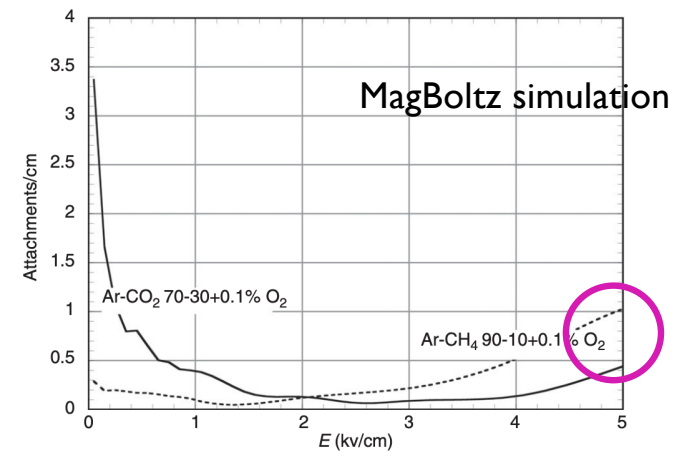
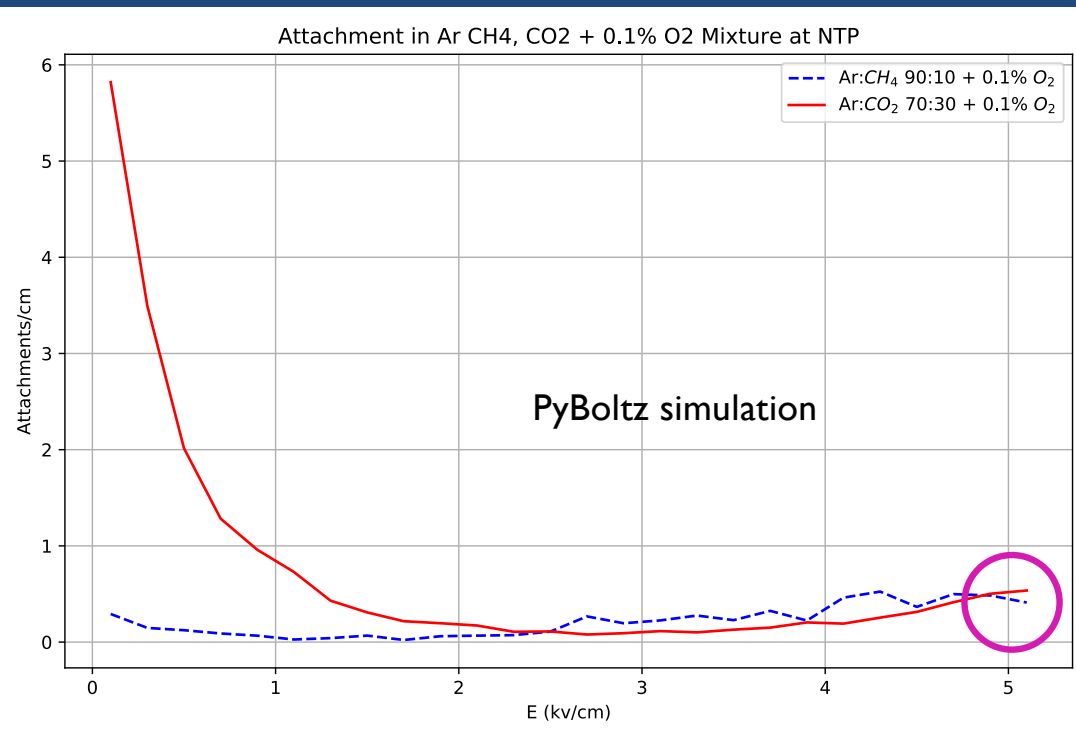


Figure 4.69 Electron attachments/cm as a function of field for equal addition of oxygen to argon-carbon dioxide and argon-methane mixtures.

- Similar results
- MagBoltz version from 2014 or earlier.

Sauli, F. (2014). Gaseous radiation detectors : Fundamentals and applications. Retrieved from <https://ebookcentral.proquest.com>



# P-10 AND OXYGEN

Table 4  
Attachment to O<sub>2</sub> as a function of the argon/methane ratio.  
Gas: argon/methane = 90/10, 80/20; with 200 ppm oxygen.  
Pressure: 4 bar.

argon methane	E/P [V/cm bar]	<i>v</i> [cm/ μs]	A [μs <sup>-1</sup> ]	C <sub>O<sub>2</sub>,M</sub> [μs <sup>-1</sup> bar <sup>-2</sup> ]
90/10	100	5.36	0.048 ± 0.003	15.1 ± 1.5
	138	5.45	0.034 ± 0.003	10.5 ± 1.4
	163	5.32	0.029 ± 0.003	9.2 ± 1.4
	200	5.07	0.024 ± 0.003	7.4 ± 1.3
	250	4.70	0.019 ± 0.003	5.9 ± 1.1
80/20	100	5.54	0.102 ± 0.006	32.0 ± 3.0
	138	6.61	0.098 ± 0.007	30.6 ± 3.3
	163	6.91	0.089 ± 0.007	27.7 ± 3.2
	200	7.08	0.074 ± 0.007	23.1 ± 3.1
	250	7.10	0.069 ± 0.007	21.5 ± 3.0

Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A267 (1988).  
Electron Attachment to Oxygen, Water, and Methanol, In Various Drift  
Chamber Gas Mixtures. M. Huk, P. Igo-Kemenes, and A. Wagner

Pg 113 Electron attachment in drift chamber gas mixture

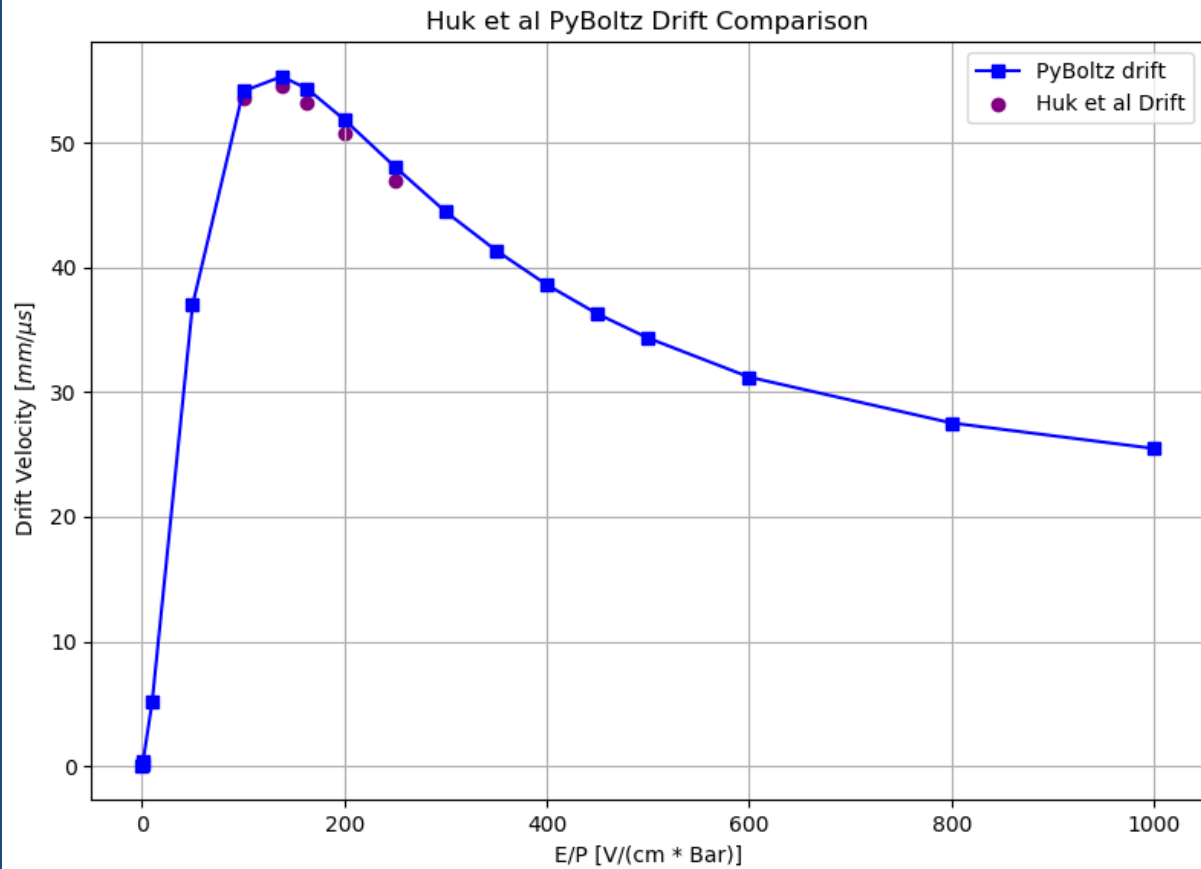
## Huk calls:

- C<sub>O<sub>2</sub>,M</sub>: the Attachment coefficient
- A: the attachment rate (found by partial pressures and attachment coefficient)
  - $N(t) = N(0)e^{-At}$
  - $N(s) = N(0)e^{\frac{-s}{\lambda}} \Rightarrow A = \frac{v}{\lambda}$
  - however this does not appear to be the case: off by a factor of 100

$\frac{Argon}{Methane}$	E/P [ $\frac{V}{cm*Bar}$ ]	<i>v</i> [ $\frac{cm}{\mu s}$ ]	Attachment rate [μs <sup>-1</sup> ]
$\frac{90}{10}$	100	5.41	(4.999) ± (1.55 * 10 <sup>-3</sup> )
	138	5.53	(3.788) ± (1.03 * 10 <sup>-3</sup> )
	163	5.43	(3.155) ± (8.25 * 10 <sup>-4</sup> )
	200	5.18	(3.004) ± (8.75 * 10 <sup>-4</sup> )
	250	4.81	(2.261) ± (6.97 * 10 <sup>-4</sup> )

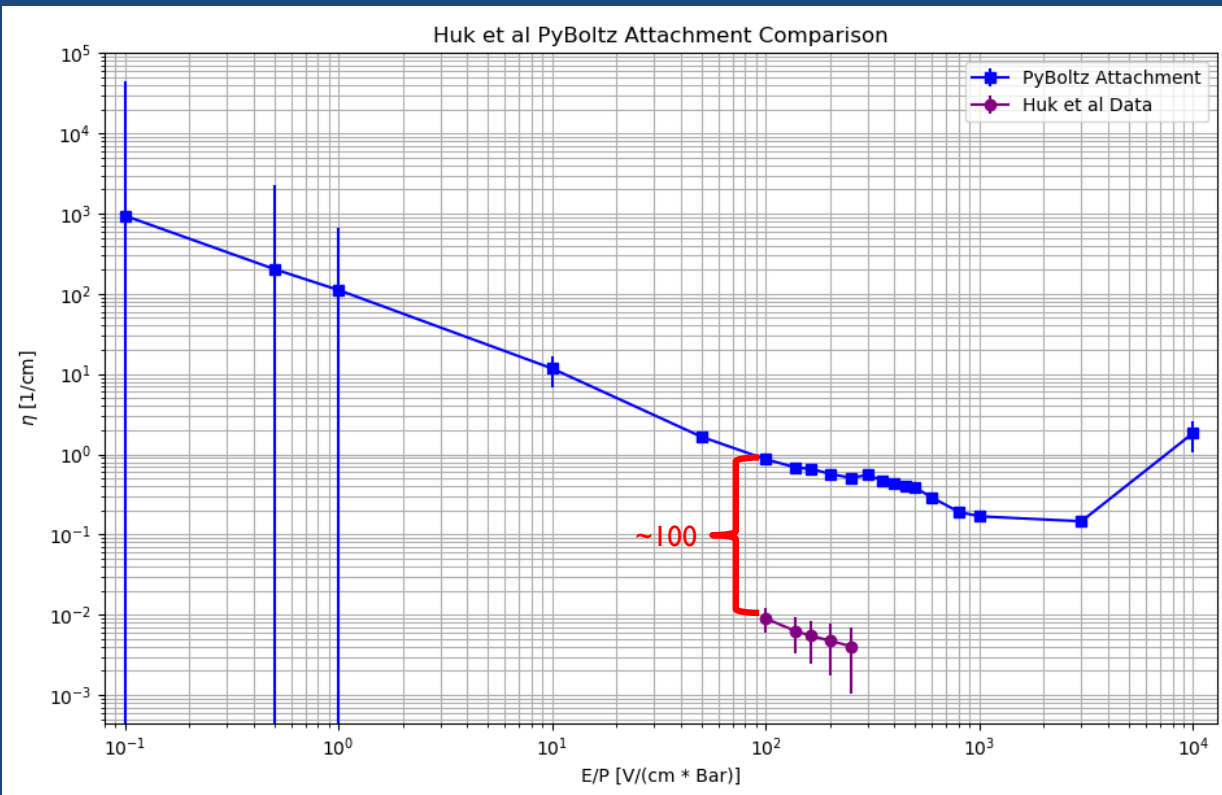
PyBoltz simulation data

# P-10 DRIFT



- Drift velocity lines up well
- Discrepancy in attachment does not lie with drift velocity difference.

# P-10 AND OXYGEN ATTACHMENT



- $1/\lambda$  not reported in paper.
  - Convert  $A$  to  $1/\lambda$ , :  $1/\lambda_{Huk} = \frac{A}{v}$
- Even though the drift matches attachment is  $\sim 2$  orders of magnitude off.

# ARGON : METHANE : ISOBUTANE (88:10:2)

About a factor of 100 to 200 off.

Table 2 <sup>a)</sup>

Attachment to O<sub>2</sub> as a function of the O<sub>2</sub> concentration. Gas: argon/methane/isobutane = 88/10/2. Pressure: 4 bar.

<i>E/P</i> [V/cm bar]	[O <sub>2</sub> ] [ppm]	<i>v</i> [cm/μs]	<i>A</i> [μs <sup>-1</sup> ]	<i>C</i> <sub>O<sub>2</sub>,M</sub> [μs <sup>-1</sup> bar <sup>-2</sup> ]
100	50	4.67	0.062 ± 0.005	77.7 ± 10.5
	100	4.67	0.111 ± 0.005	69.5 ± 6.7
	200	4.67	0.215 ± 0.007	67.1 ± 4.9
	300	4.67	0.353 ± 0.011	73.7 ± 5.1
	440	4.67	0.566 ± 0.019	80.4 ± 5.6
200	50	5.43	0.037 ± 0.005	46.1 ± 9.4
	100	5.43	0.066 ± 0.005	41.3 ± 5.3
	100	5.43	0.130 ± 0.006	40.6 ± 3.6
	300	5.43	0.199 ± 0.008	41.5 ± 3.1
	440	5.43	0.287 ± 0.009	40.8 ± 2.8

Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A267 (1988). Electron Attachment to Oxygen, Water, and Methanol, In Various Drift Chamber Gas Mixtures. M. Huk, P. Igo-Kemenes, and A. Wagner.

Pg 112 table 2.

<i>E/P</i> [ $\frac{V}{cm \cdot Bar}$ ]	O <sub>2</sub> [ppm]	<i>v</i> [ $\frac{cm}{\mu s}$ ]	Attachment rate [μs <sup>-1</sup> ]
100	50	4.53	(1.459) ± (3.29 * 10 <sup>-4</sup> )
	100	4.53	(2.858) ± (9.01 * 10 <sup>-4</sup> )
	200	4.52	(6.143) ± (2.87 * 10 <sup>-3</sup> )
	300	4.52	(8.606) ± (4.75 * 10 <sup>-3</sup> )
	440	4.51	(13.12) ± (8.93 * 10 <sup>-3</sup> )
200	50	5.42	(0.997) ± (1.62 * 10 <sup>-4</sup> )
	100	5.43	(2.058) ± (4.77 * 10 <sup>-4</sup> )
	200	5.42	(3.978) ± (1.29 * 10 <sup>-3</sup> )
	300	5.42	(6.157) ± (2.48 * 10 <sup>-3</sup> )
	440	5.42	(8.726) ± (4.18 * 10 <sup>-3</sup> )

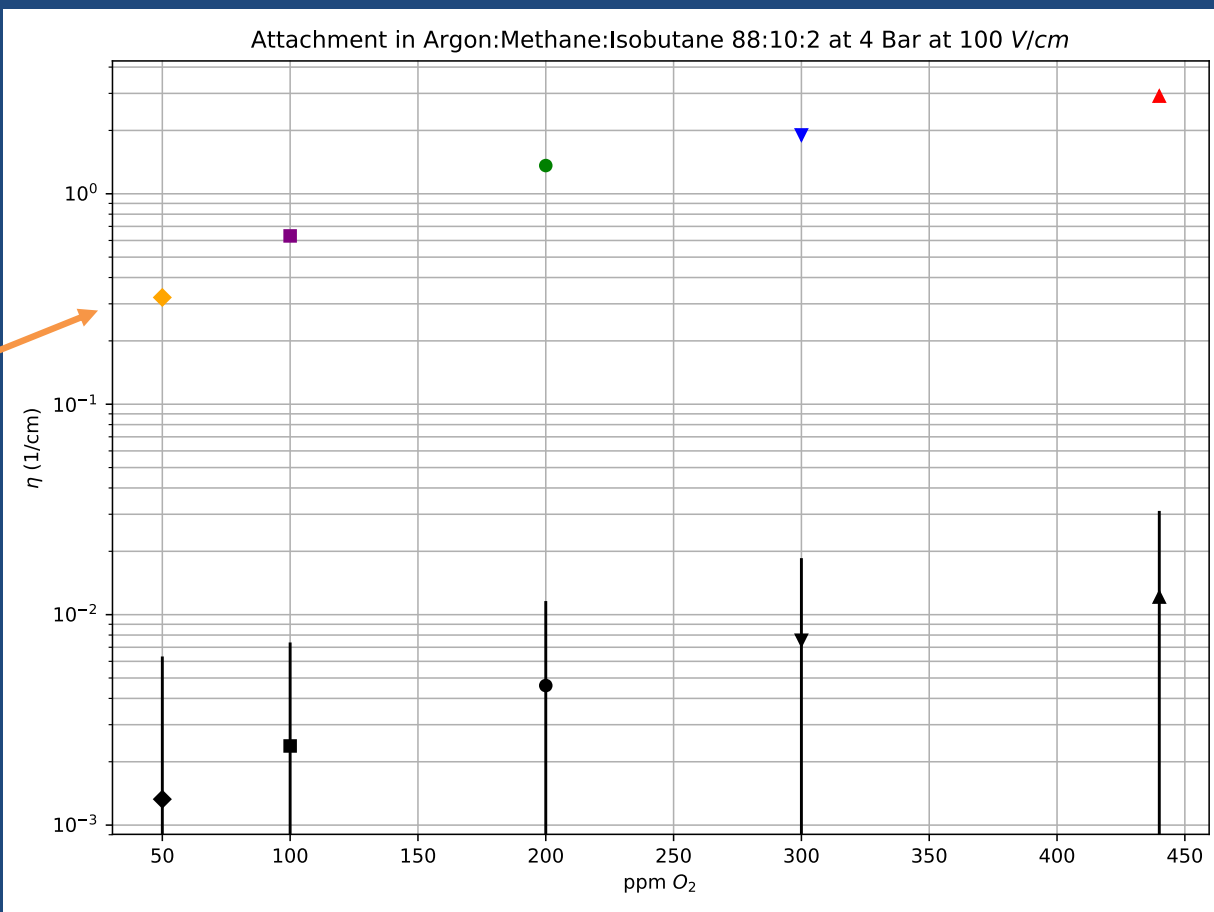
Table 1: PyBoltz Output for comparison of Huk et al table 2. 88:10:2 Argon:Methane:Isobutane + Oxygen mixture at 4 Bar (I assume temp of 23 C)

PyBoltz simulation data

# ARGON : METHANE : ISOBUTANE (88:10:2)

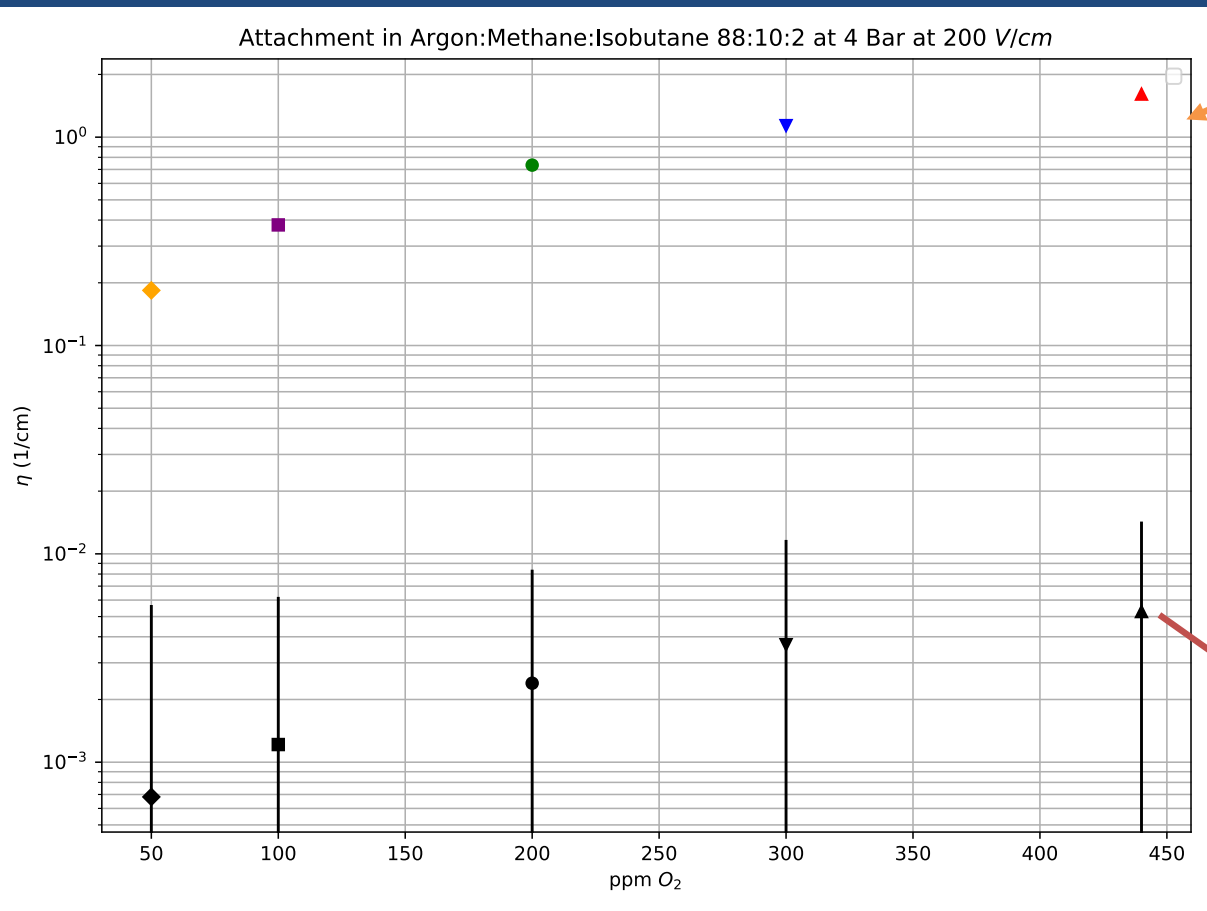
Huk data and PyBoltz ~2 orders of magnitude apart for any given ppm  $O_2$ .

PyBoltz sim data



Huk data

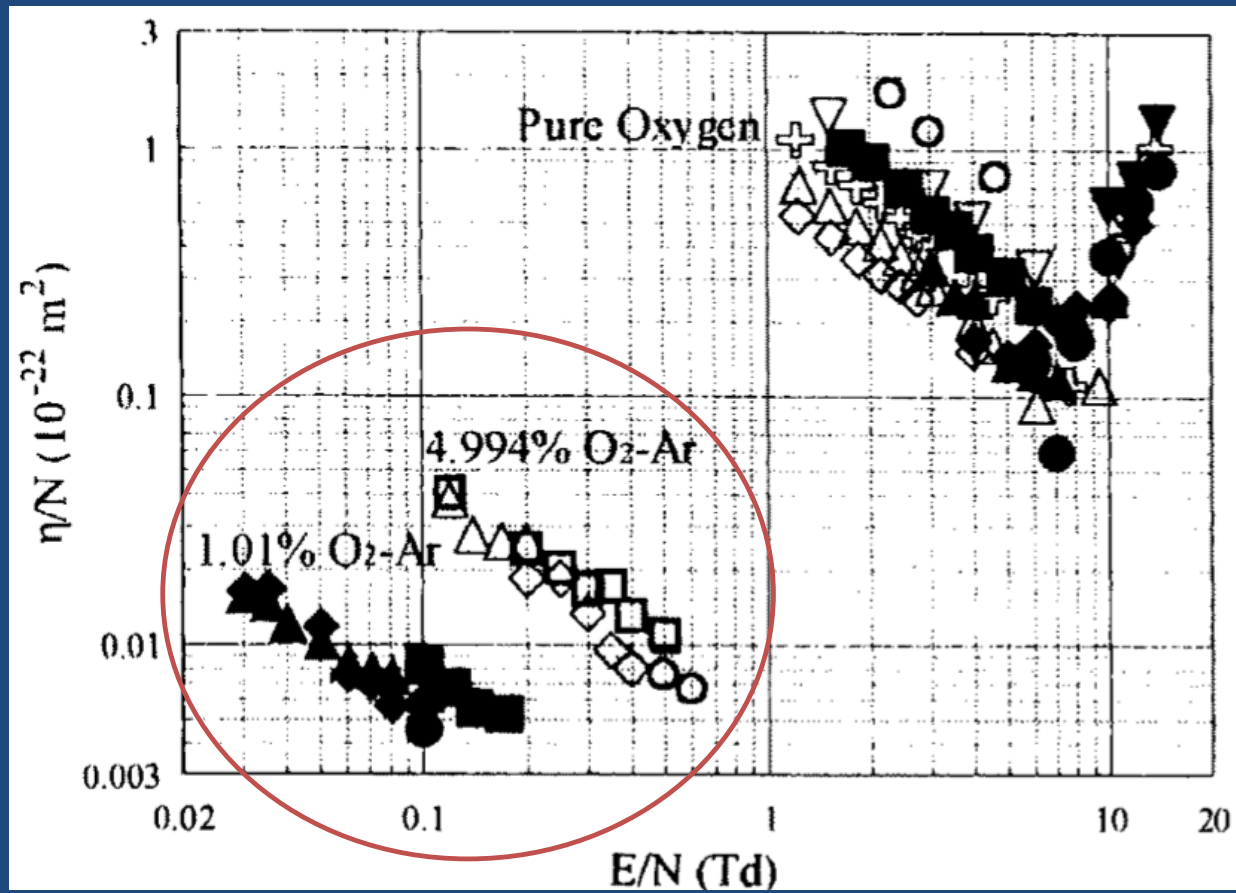
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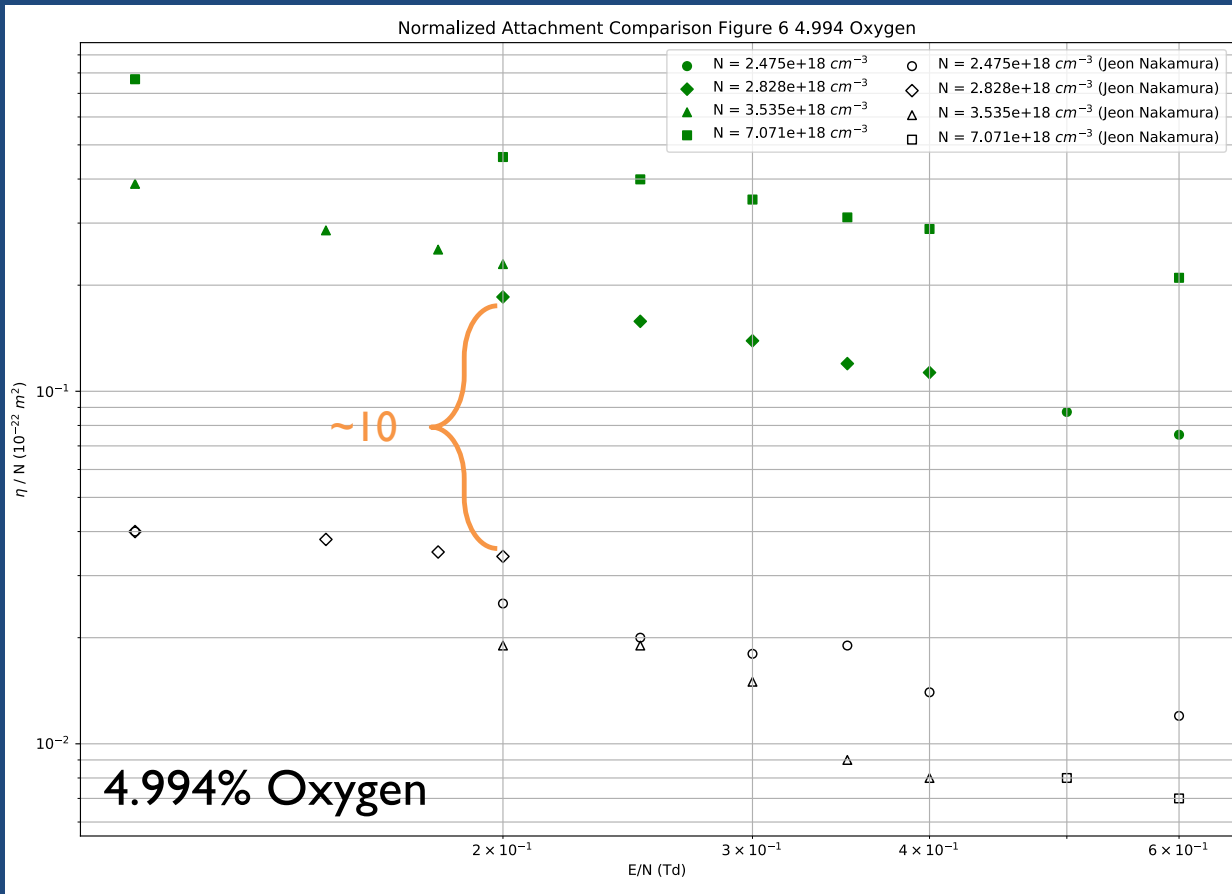
PyBoltz sim data

Huk data

# ARGON : OXYGEN



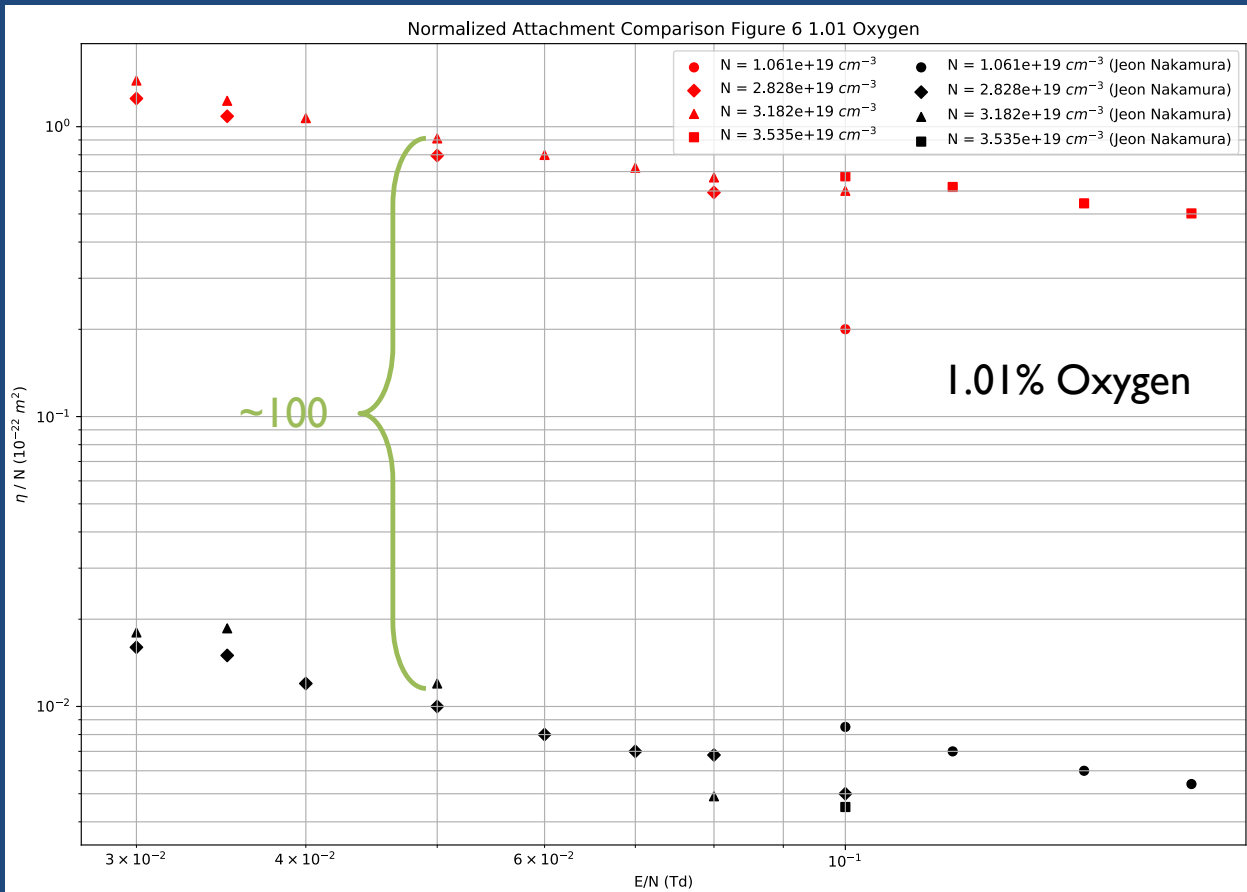
# ARGON : OXYGEN (95.006:4.994)



- Again a difference of difference of ~10 for ~5%  $O_2$



# ARGON : OXYGEN (98.99:1.01)



Again a difference of ~100 for ~1%  $O_2$

## SUMMARY

- PyBoltz and MagBoltz attachment line up closely but not perfectly (Expected).
- MagBoltz (and PyBoltz) can match attachment rates for  $CF_4$  and pure  $O_2$ . Starts to vary when more than one gas is simulated.
- MagBoltz attachment comparison in  $C_2H_4$ ,  $H_2O$ , and  $O_2$  might suggest that the issue lies with Argon.
- We're seeing a difference of 2 orders of magnitude for  $\sim 1\%$  and  $0.02\%$  (200 ppm)  $O_2$  in Argon, methane mixture and  $0.005\%$  -  $0.044\%$  (50 – 440 ppm)  $O_2$  in an  $\sim 88:10:2$  Ar: $CH_4$ : $C_4H_{10}$  mixture
- A difference of  $\sim 1$  order of magnitude for  $\sim 5\%$   $O_2$  ( $\sim 95\%$  Argon).
- Data is reported in the 3-body attachment region. Noticing incorrect attachment for Argon in the 3-body regime in simulations.