



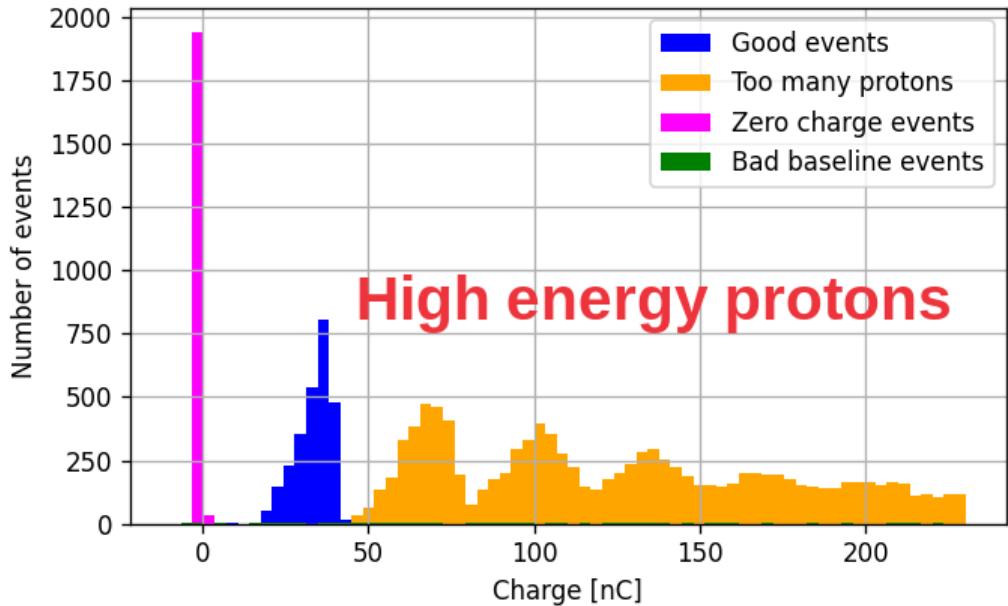
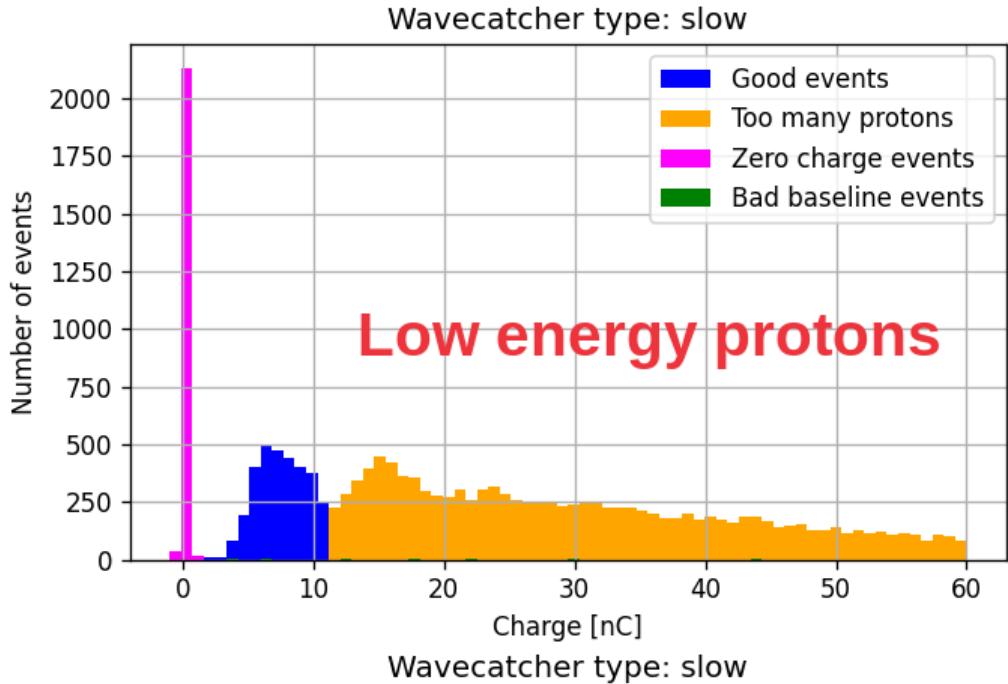
ZnWO₄ PSD study

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Preprocessing setup

- ☐ Average pulse curves are calculated for an order of 1000 events.
- ☐ The events individually undergo some preprocessing to ensure good quality of events.
- ☐ Data measured with fast and slow wavecatchers.
- ☐ The events with one proton were selected for analysis. For electrons, it's already one electron.



Normalised average pulse shapes.

□ Considered the following cases:

- Electrons (measured)
- Protons 6 MeV, low energy (measured)
- Protons 15 MeV, high energy (measured)
- Alphas, pulse builds on values from [publication](#).

Pulse parameters from publication

Type of irradiation	Decay constants, μs		
	τ_1 (A_1)	τ_2 (A_2)	τ_3 (A_3)
γ ray	0.7 (2%)	7.5 (9%)	25.9 (89%)
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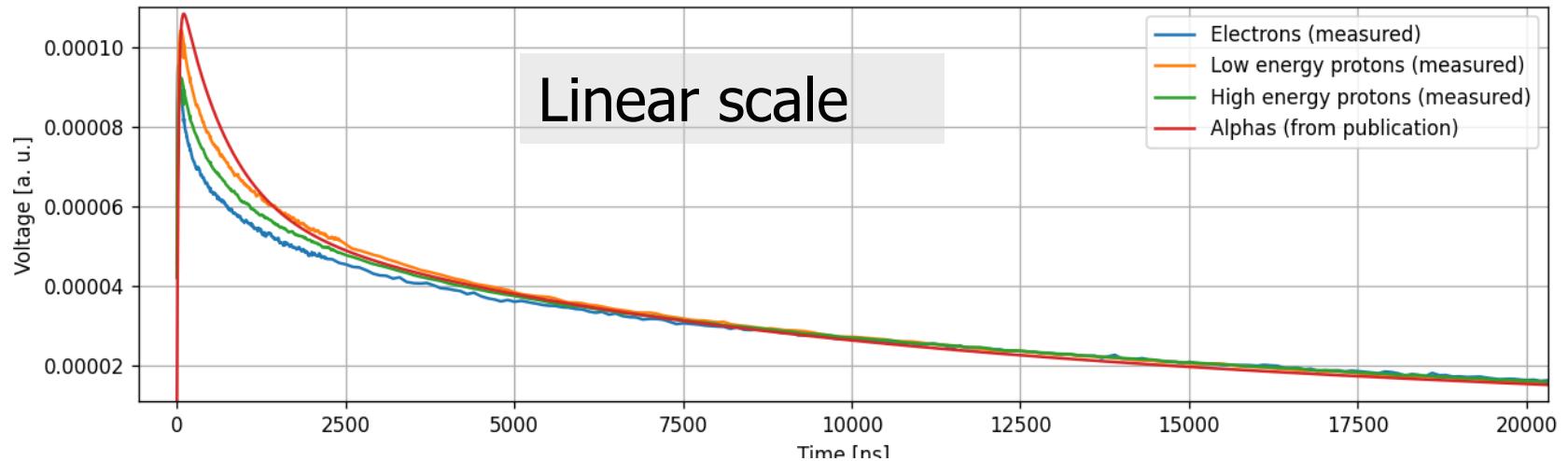
Measured pulses for protons compared against measured electrons.

Built pulses for alphas compared against the built for gammas.

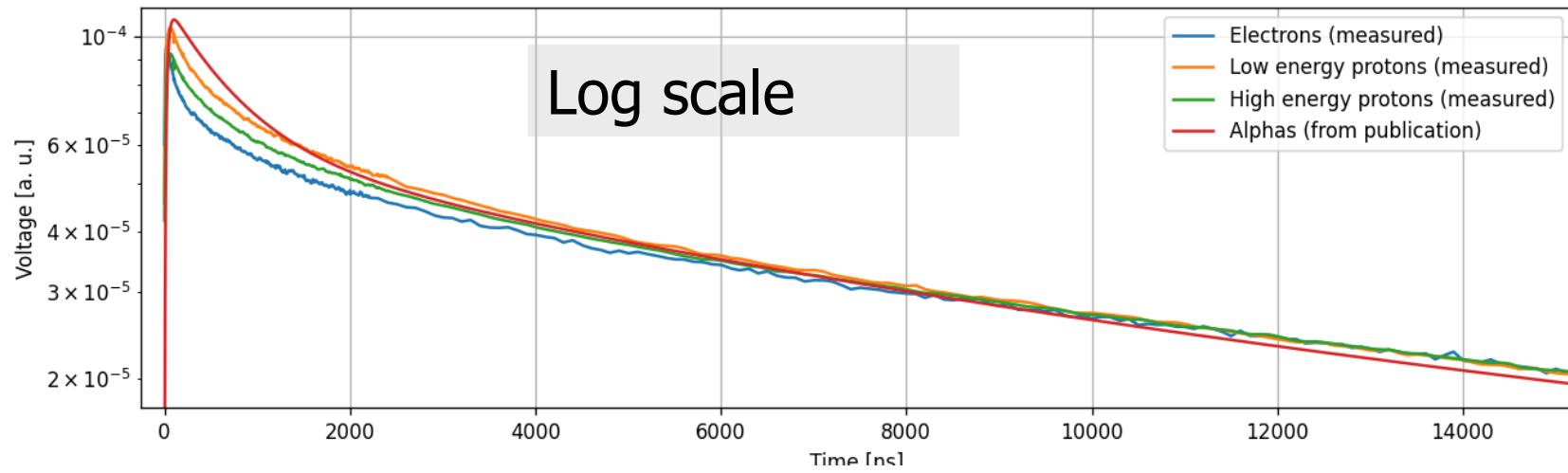
Normalised average pulse shapes.

Normalisation

$$\int_0^\infty V(t)dt = 1$$



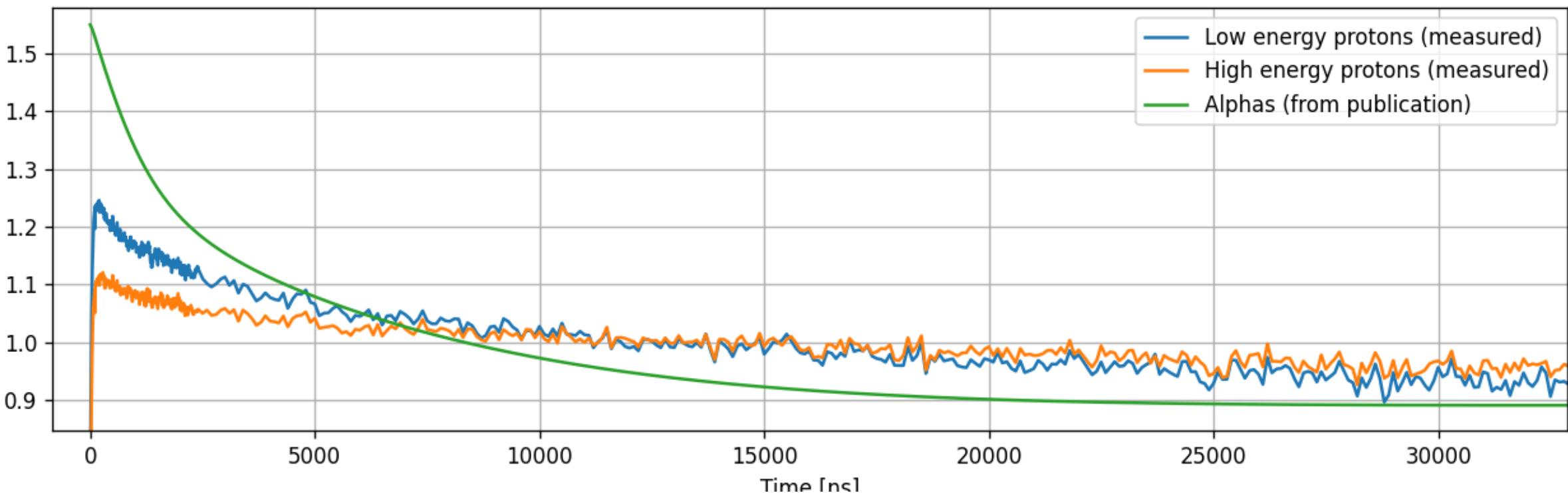
Linear scale



Log scale

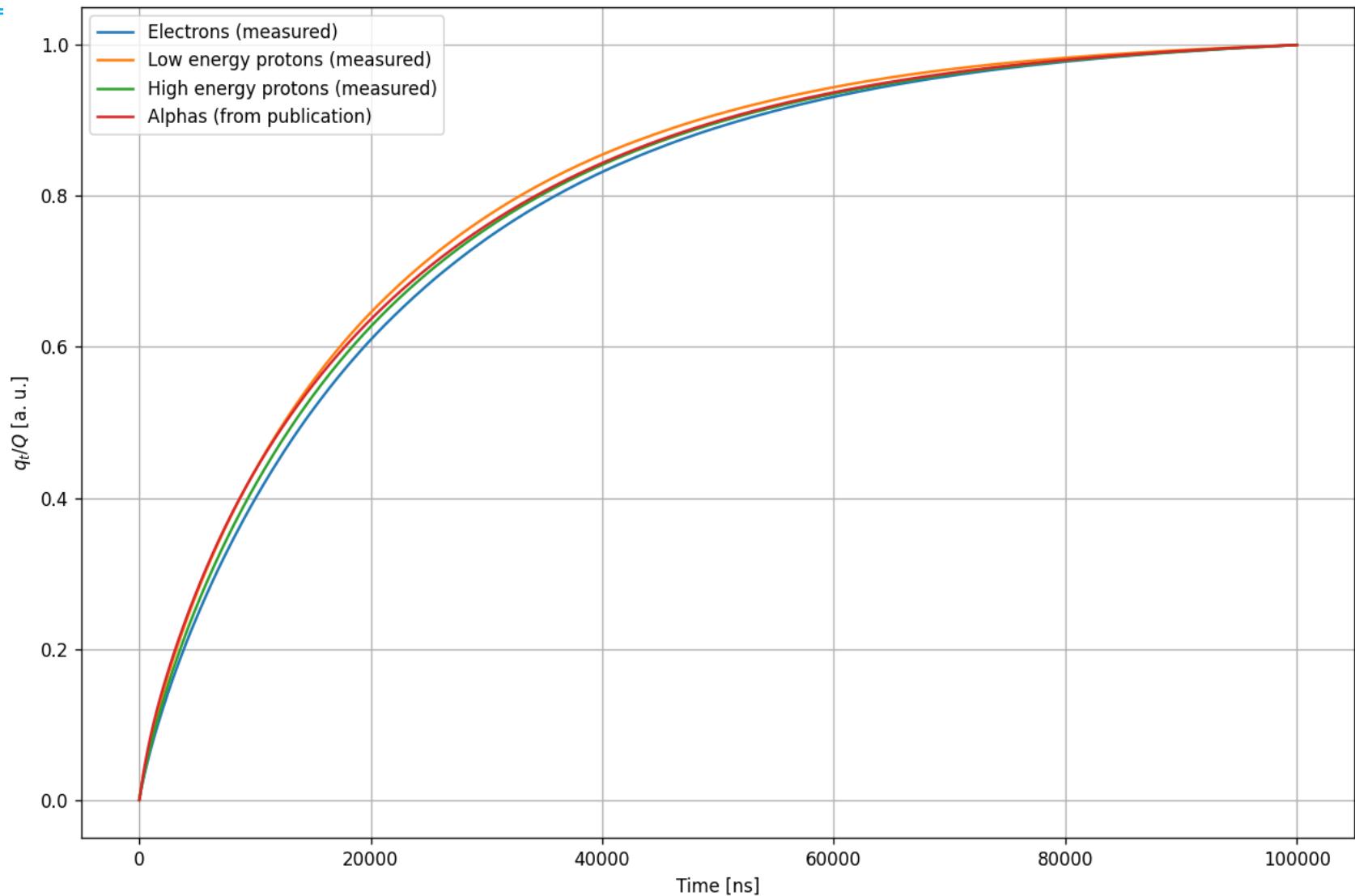
Ratio of normalised curves

- Here curves represent the ratio of the hadrons and corresponding electron pulses for each point in time.

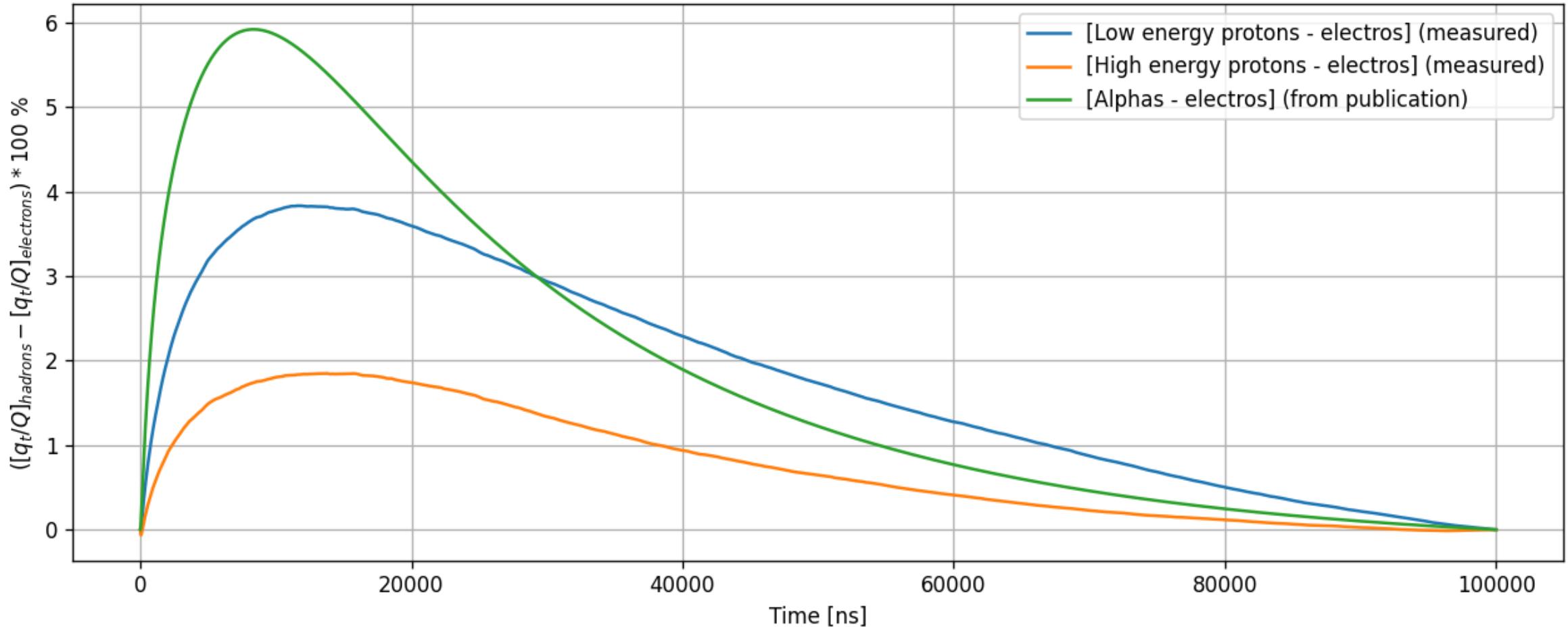


Comparison of charge integrals

$$q_t = \int_0^t V(\tau) d\tau$$



Difference between charge integrals



Summary

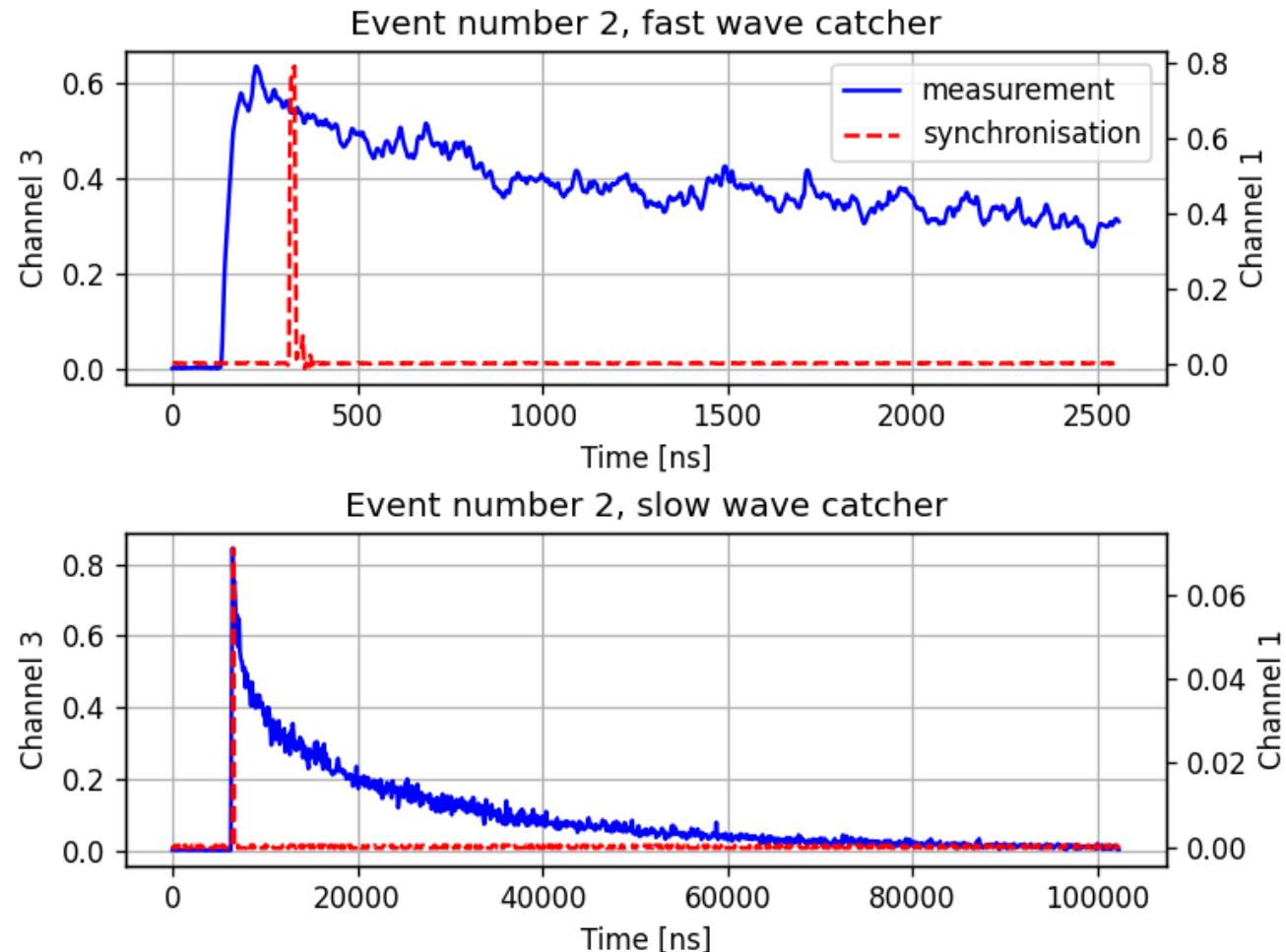
Hadronic particle	Max V_h/V_e	Max q_t difference (% of total charge)
High energy protons	1,12	1,85 %
Low energy protons	1,24	3,85 %
Alphas	1,55	5,95 %

Thank you for your attention

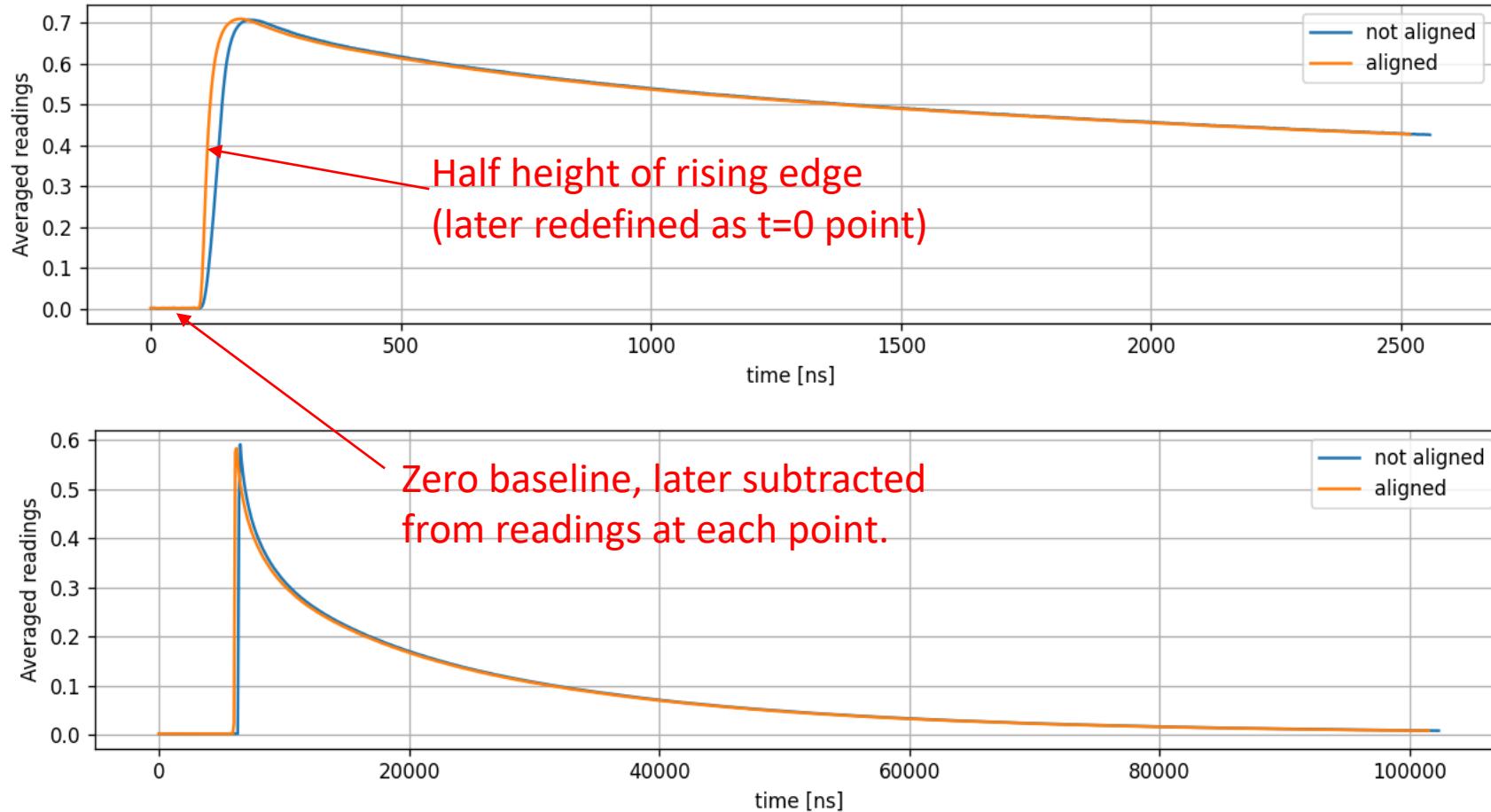
Backup slides.

Single event readings and synchro signal

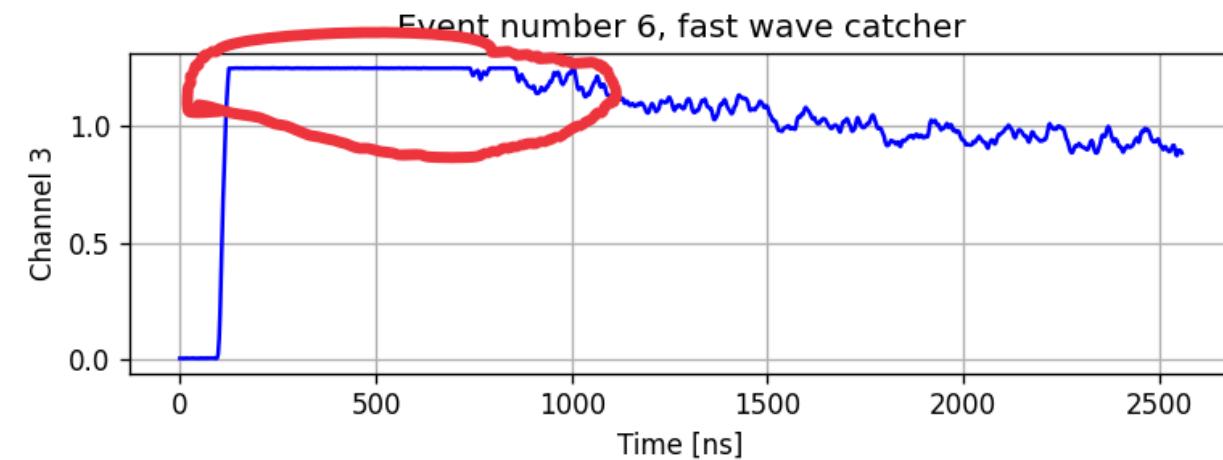
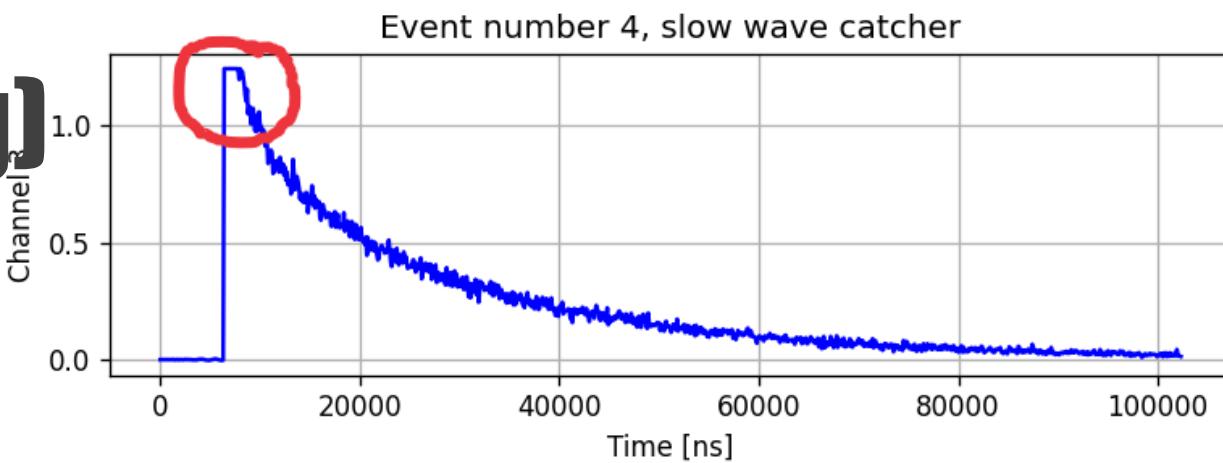
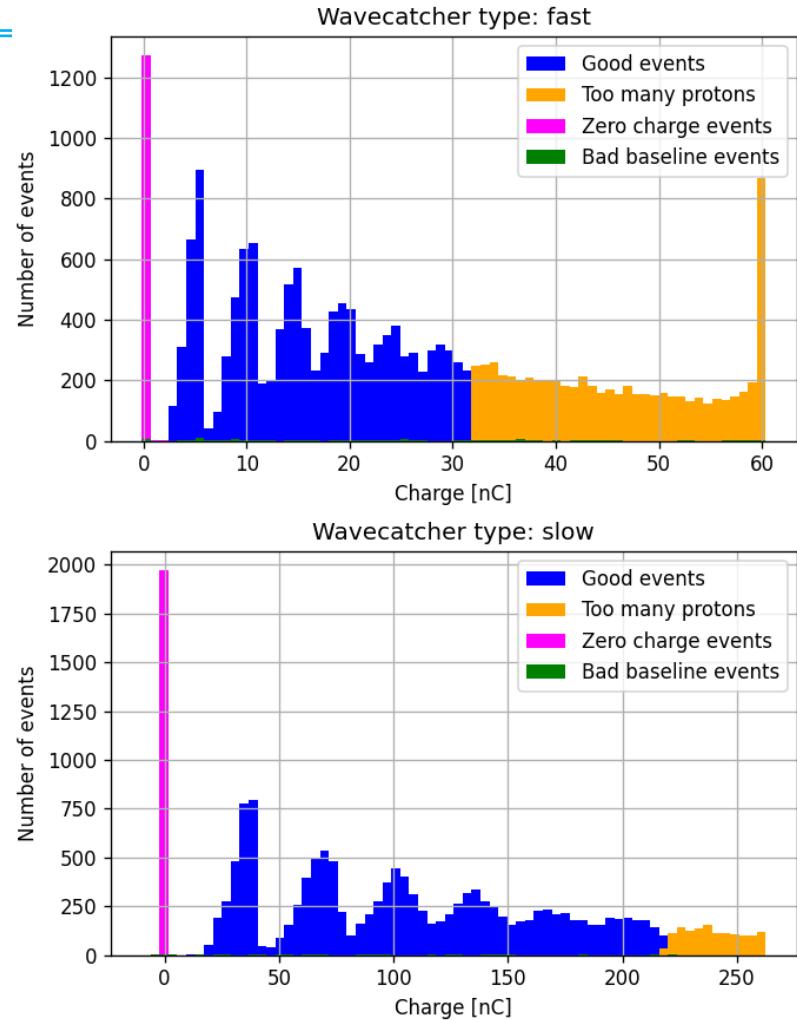
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Effect of event alignment by the synchro signal



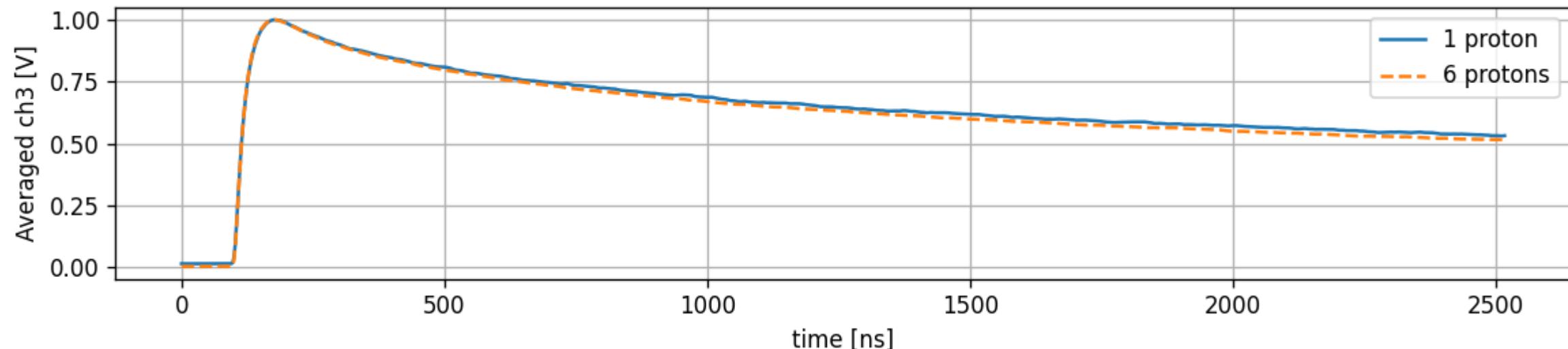
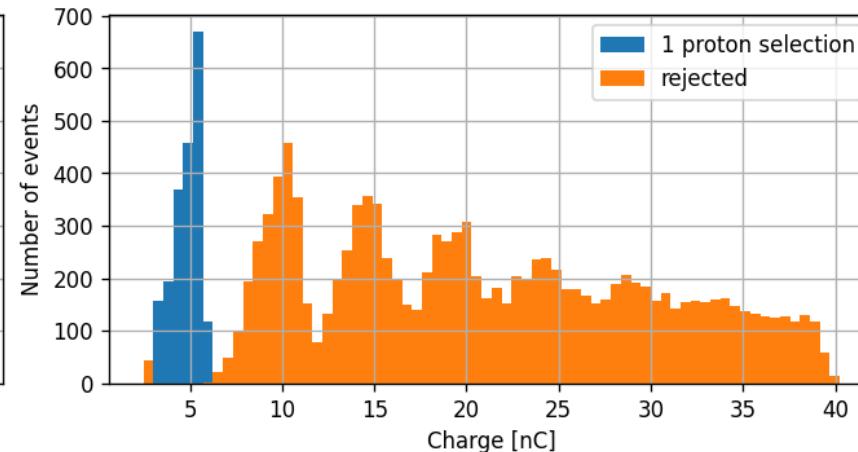
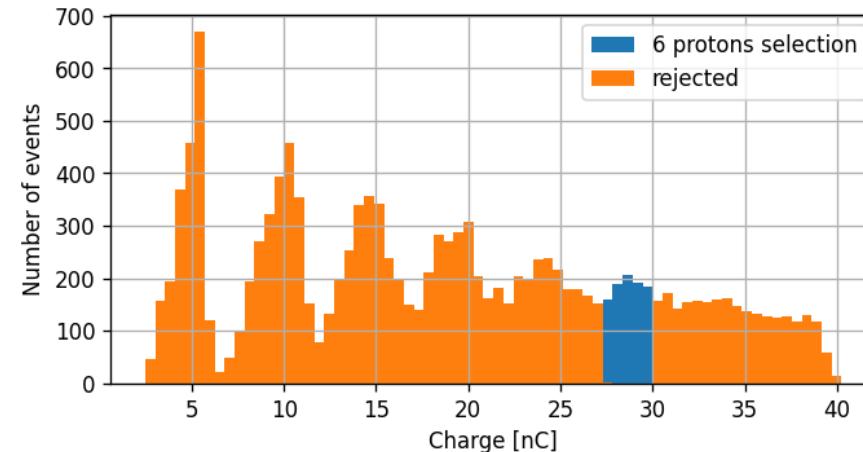
Event selections (clearing)



Example of events with too many protons

- Events were selected based on integrated charge over all wavecatcher time.

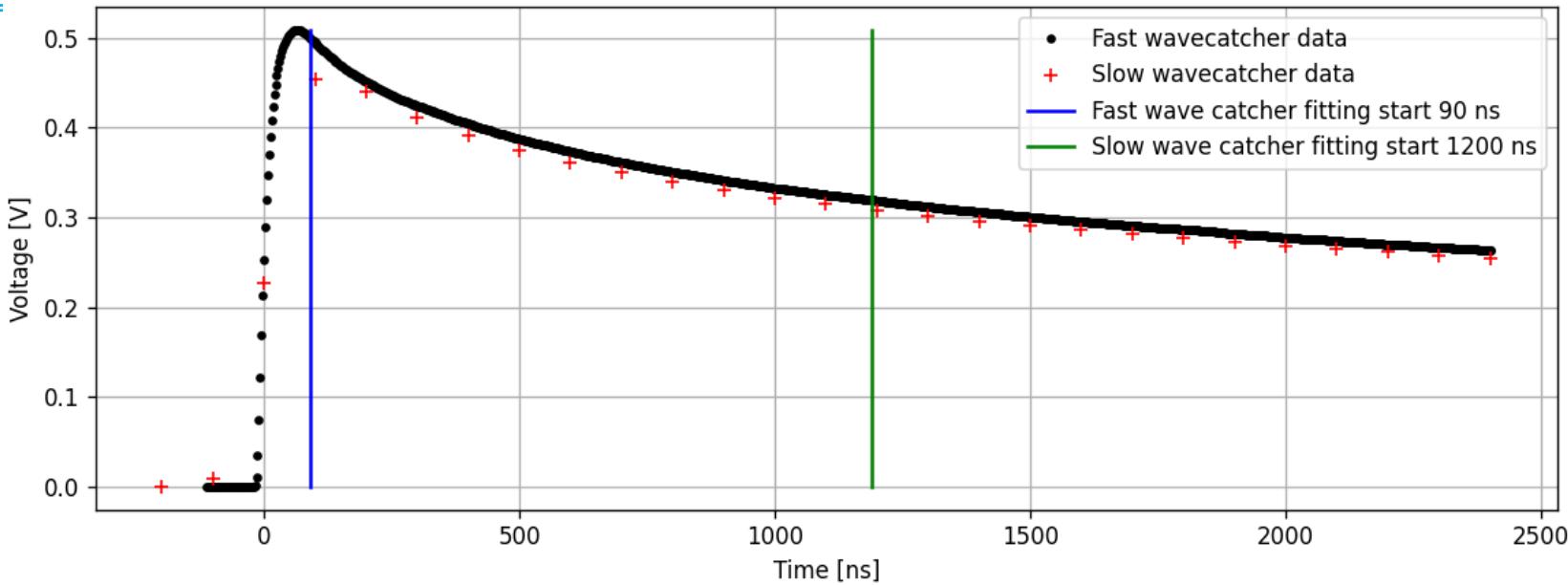
1 proton vs 6 proton events comparison



Averaged curves look the same

Preprocessed data before fit

- ❑ Curve averaged over events that pass selection.
- ❑ Zero baseline removed (subtracted from all readings)
- ❑ Zero time (x-axis) redefined.



- ❑ Fast wave catcher pulse fit starts from 90 ns
- ❑ Slow wave catcher pulse fit starts from 1,2 microsecond.

Fit methodology

$$F_f(t|A_{1-4}, \lambda_{1-4}) = A_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + A_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} + A_3 e^{\lambda_3 t} + A_4 e^{\lambda_4 t}$$

$$F_s(t|C, A_{1-4}, \lambda_{1-4}) = C (A_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + A_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} + A_3 e^{\lambda_3 t} + A_4 e^{\lambda_4 t} + A_{5s} e^{\lambda_{5s} t})$$

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- $\lambda_1 - \lambda_4$ the exponential decrements. They related to the τ parameters by $\lambda_i = \frac{1}{\tau_i}$. Also shared between the slow and fast dataset measurements
- C - the parameter for matching the voltage between different wave catchers.

□ 5th exponent introduced to correct electronics

□ The fit is performed by finding the minimum of the loss function. Two loss functions considered.

MSE fit

$$L_k(C, A_{1-4}, \lambda_{1-4}) = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N [y_i - F_k(t_i|C, A_{1-4}, \lambda_{1-4})]^2}{N}}$$

CHI2 fit

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5th exponent explanation

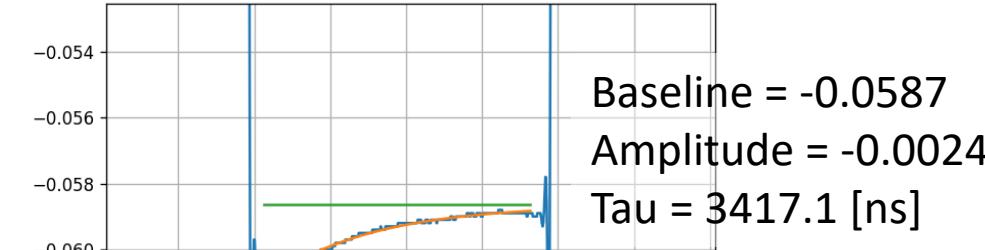
- Solving the circuit for a pulse by applying Kirchhoff's rules would get something like

$$a\ddot{I} + b\dot{I} + cI = F(x)$$

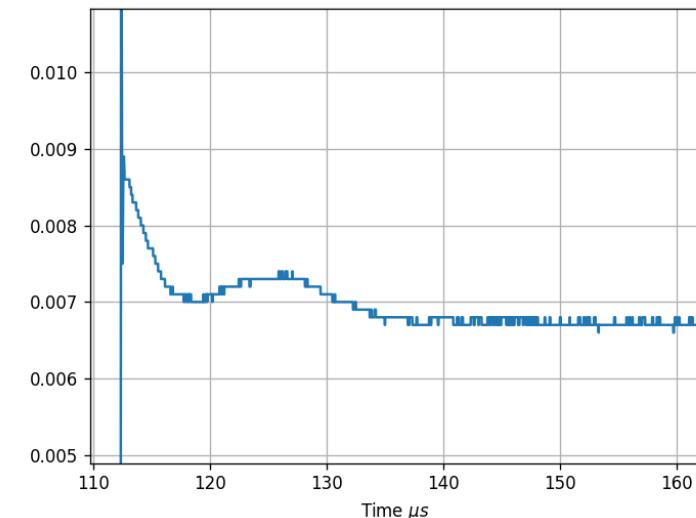
- Standard solution is

$$I = C_1 e^{\gamma_1 t} + C_2 e^{\gamma_2 t} + \tilde{F}(x)$$

- Generally, it introduces more exponents

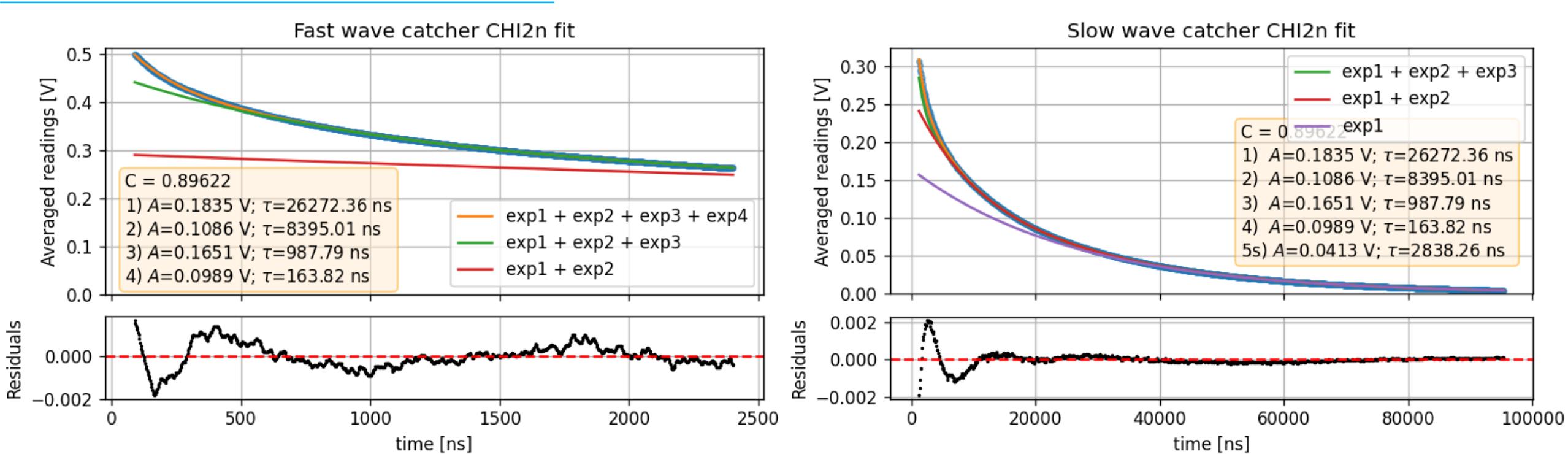


Plateau



Falling edge

Fit results visualisation



☐ Fit results for different methods of fitting (MSE) look alike.

Comparing numbers

Component	Electrons (C = 0.928)			Protons MSE (C = 0.899)			Protons CHIn (C = 0.896)		
	tau [ns]	A [V]	Charge	tau [ns]	A [V]	Charge	tau [ns]	A [V]	Charge
1	26625,35	0,076	82,72%	25699,73	0,192	82,31%	26272,36	0,184	79,97%
2	8303,82	0,039	13,20%	7420,74	0,105	13,03%	8395,01	0,109	15,12%
3	823,71	0,056	1,89%	926,87	0,165	2,54%	987,79	0,165	2,70%
4	83,03	0,061	0,21%	152,07	0,096	0,24%	163,82	0,099	0,27%
5s	2796,77	0,017 (6,96%)	1,98%	2799,26	0,040 (6,72%)	1,87%	2838,26	0,041 (6,92%)	1,95%

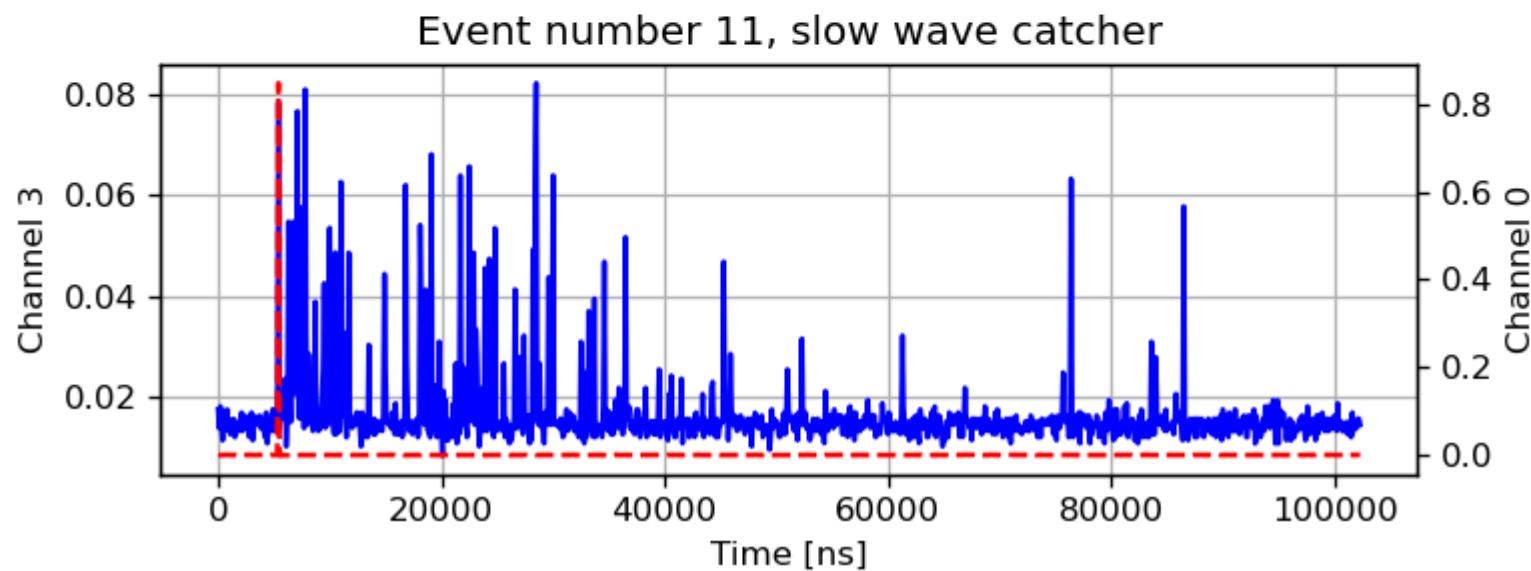
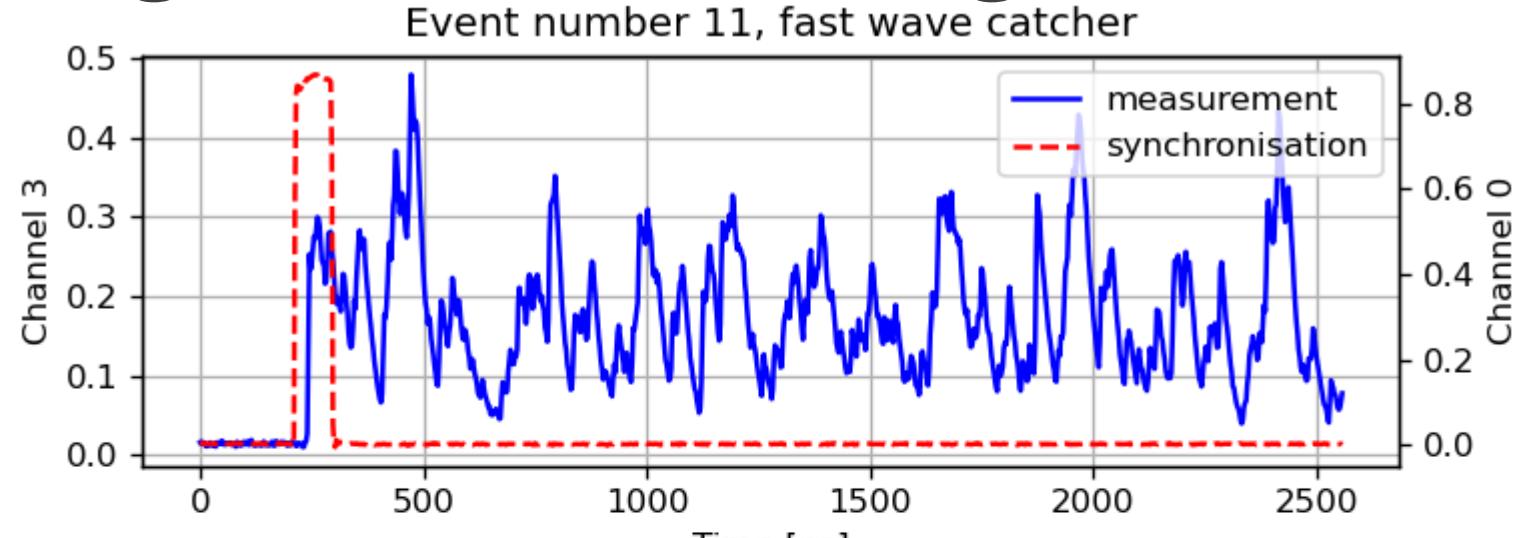
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Electrons PSD presentation

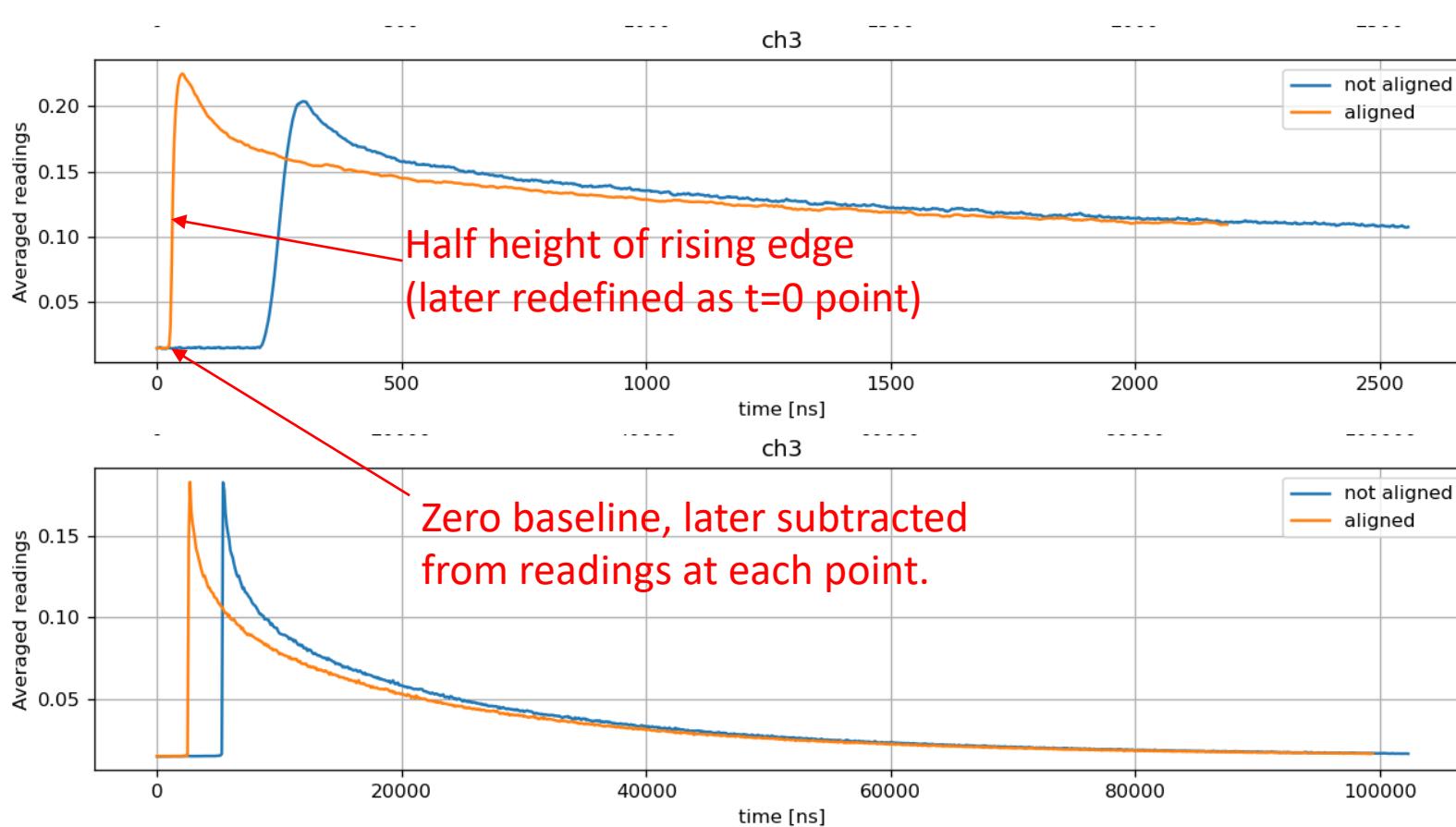


Single event readings and synchro signal

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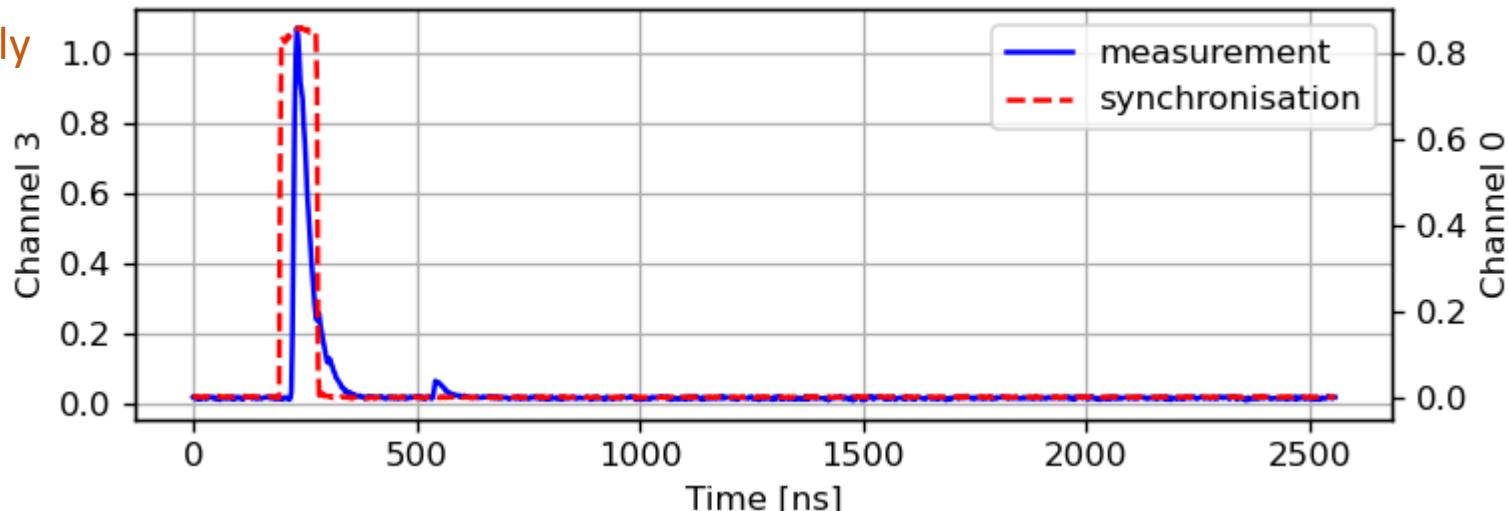
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Purely Cherenkov Events

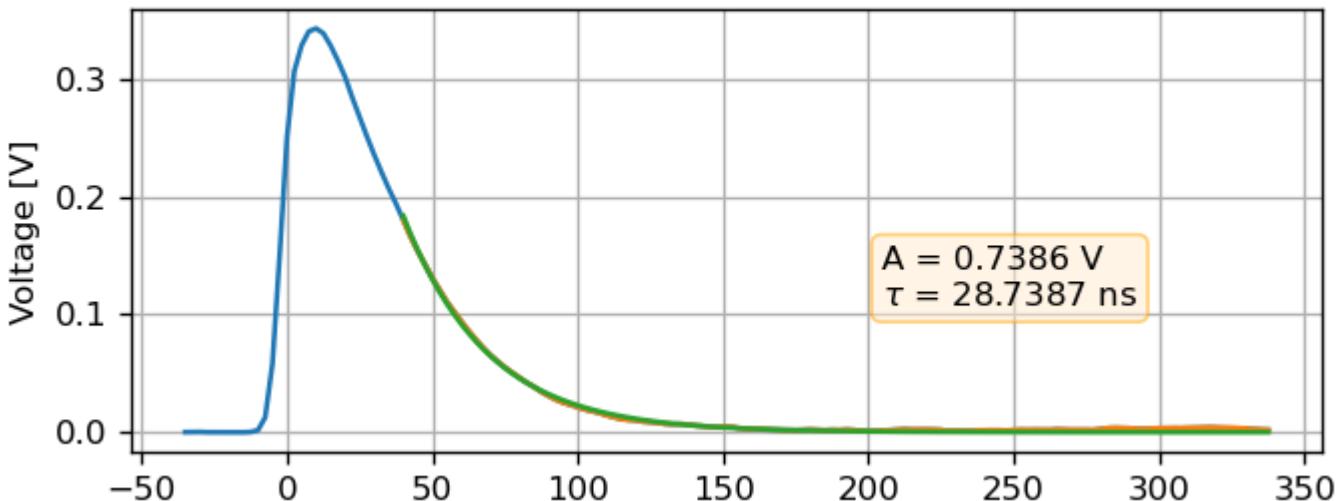
Example of a purely Cherenkov event

Event number 13, fast wave catcher



- Some of the events contain only Cherenkov light, they were excluded from the analysis.

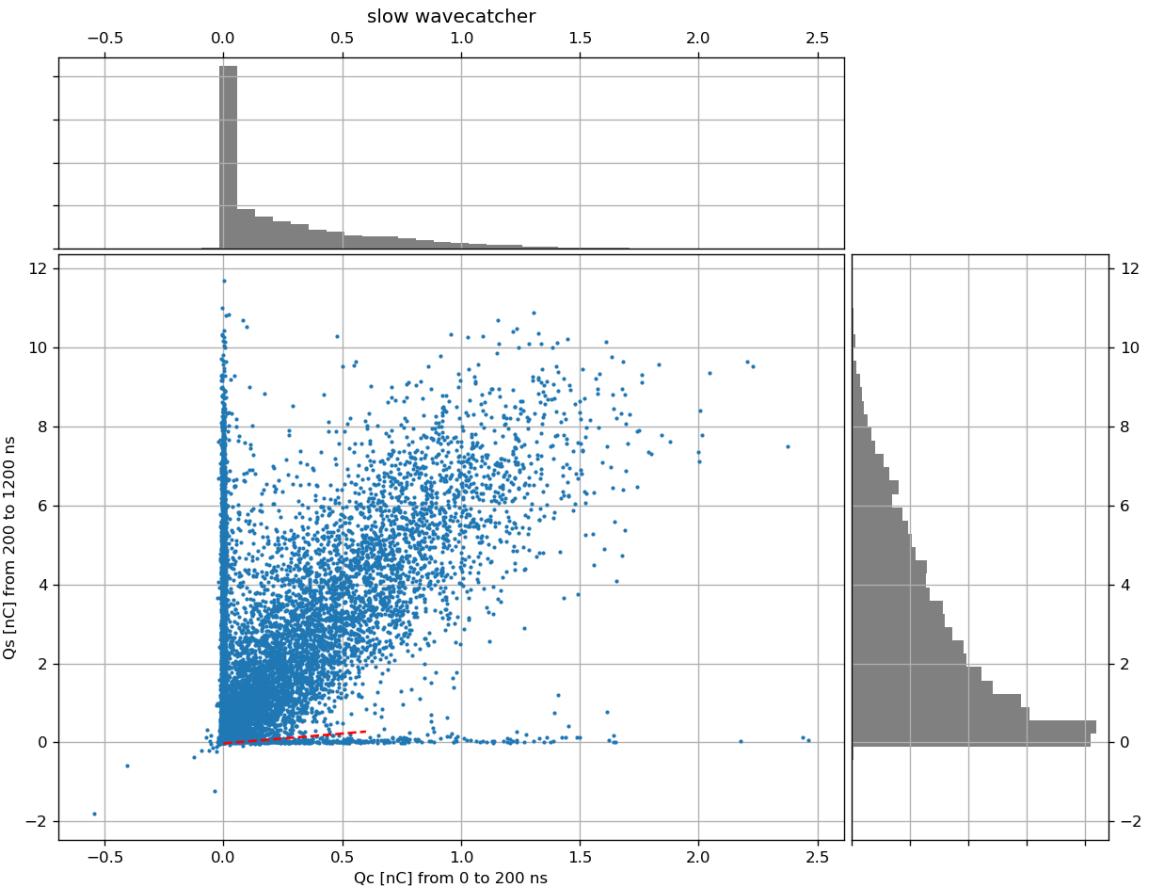
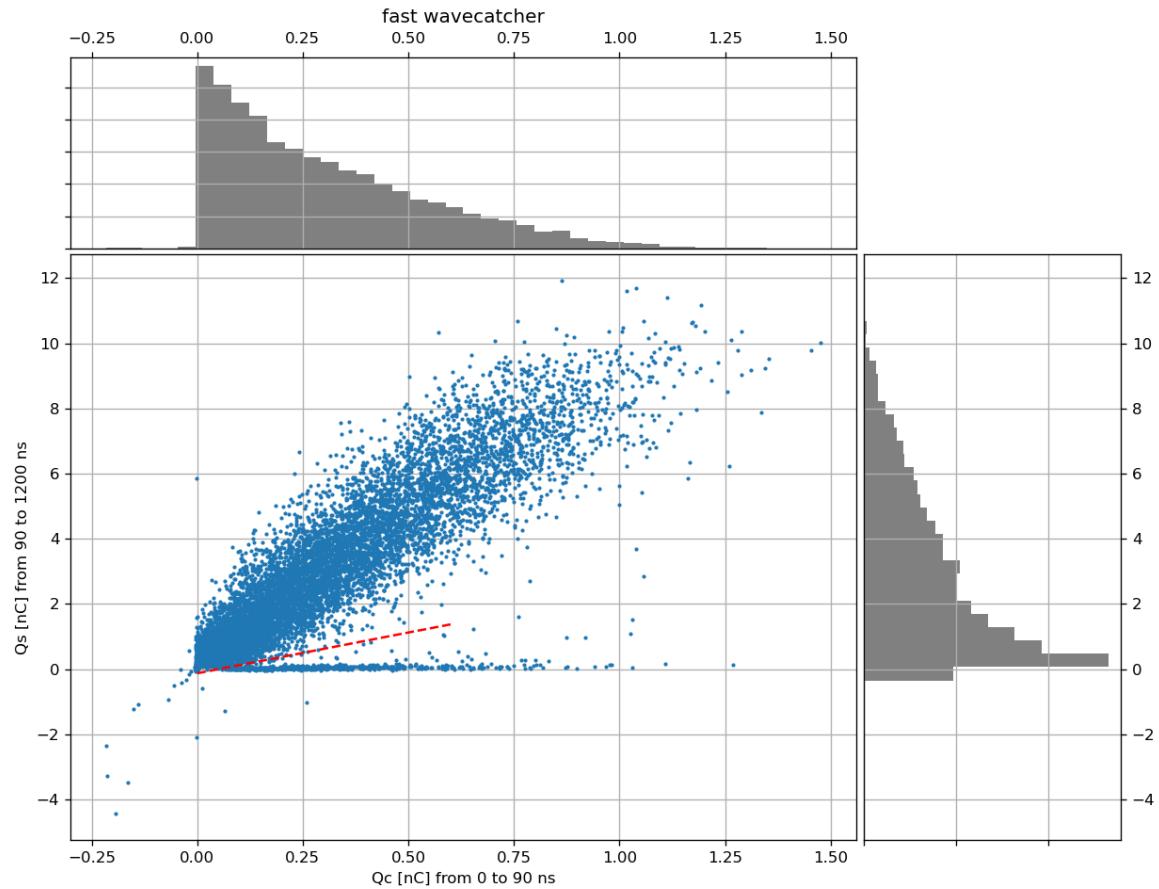
Average curve of purely Cherenkov events (excluded from analysis). t_0 redefined



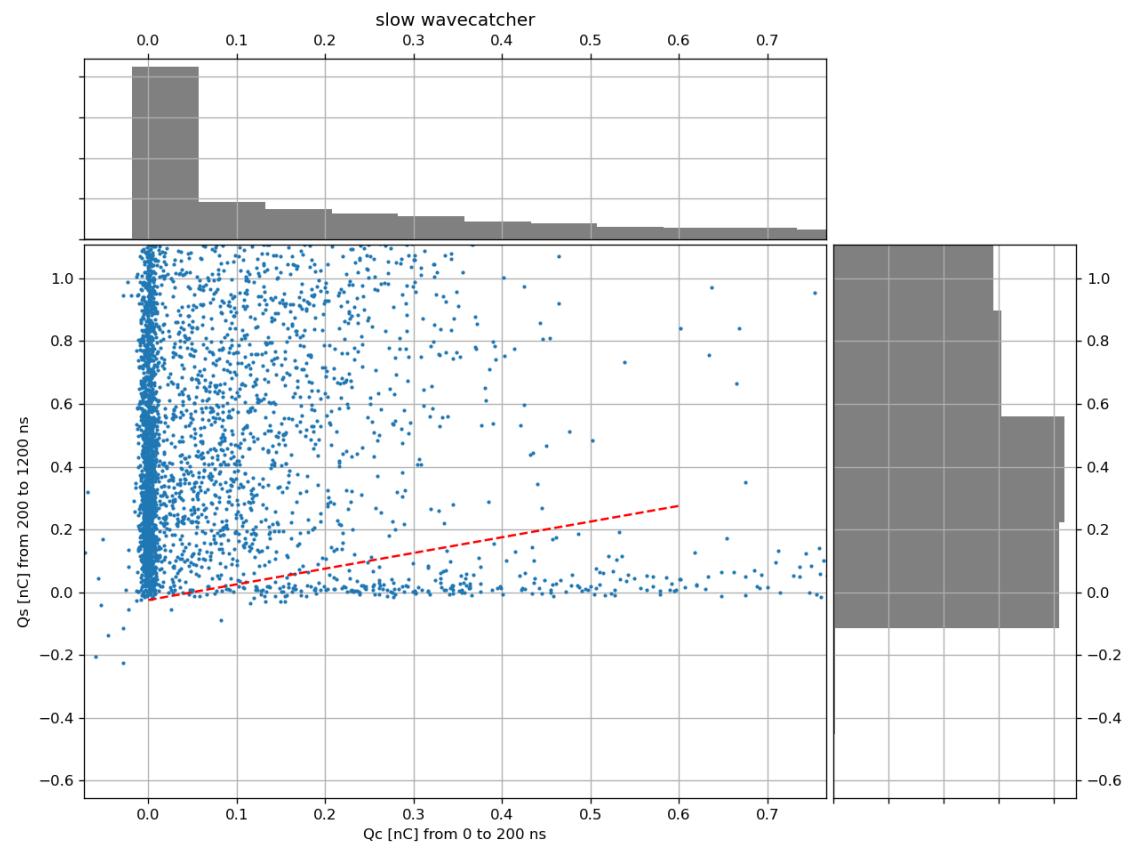
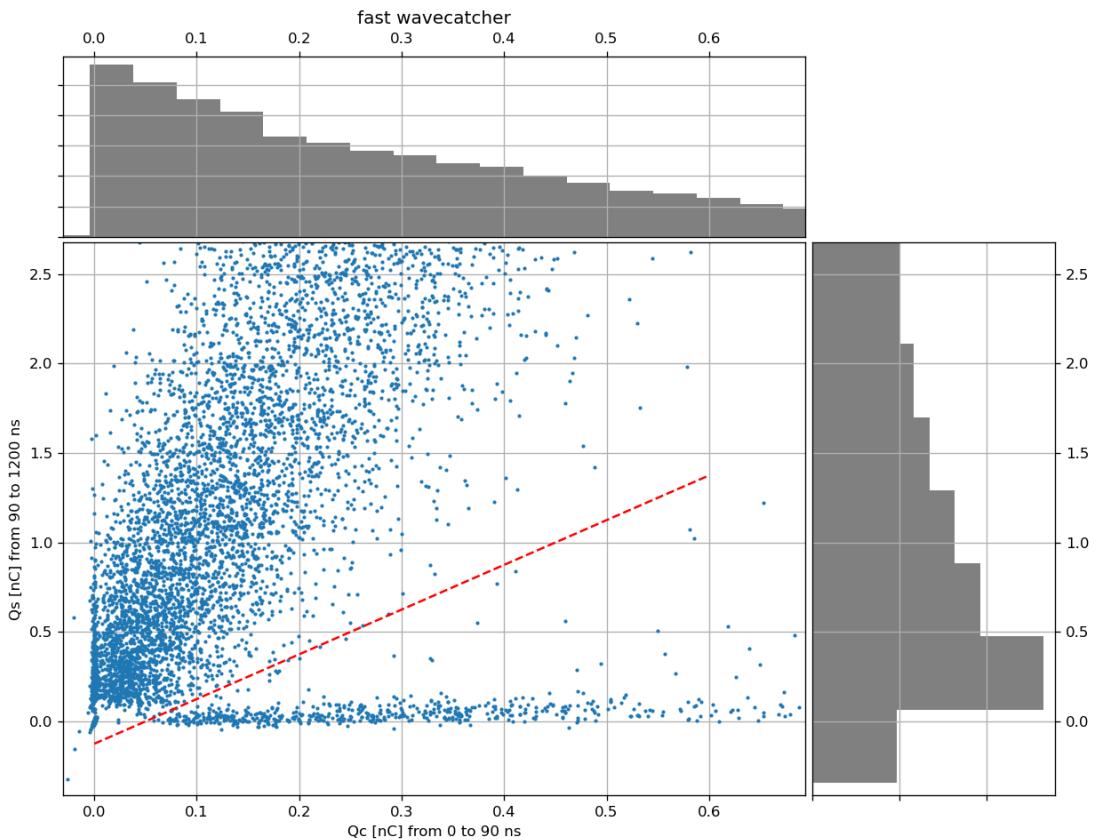
Purely Cherenkov/Scintillation event discrimination

- ❑ Discrimination is performed based on the relationship between charges accumulated:
 - Fast wave catcher:
 - Q_c by pulse from 0 to 90 ns
 - Q_s by pulse from 90 to 1200 ns
 - Slow wave catcher:
 - Q_c by pulse from 0 to 200 ns
 - Q_s by pulse from 200 to 1200 ns
- ❑ Charges Q are calculated by integrating readings over time.
- ❑ Ohm's law applied. $I = \frac{U}{R}$, R=50 Ohm.

Qc vs Qs 2D plots



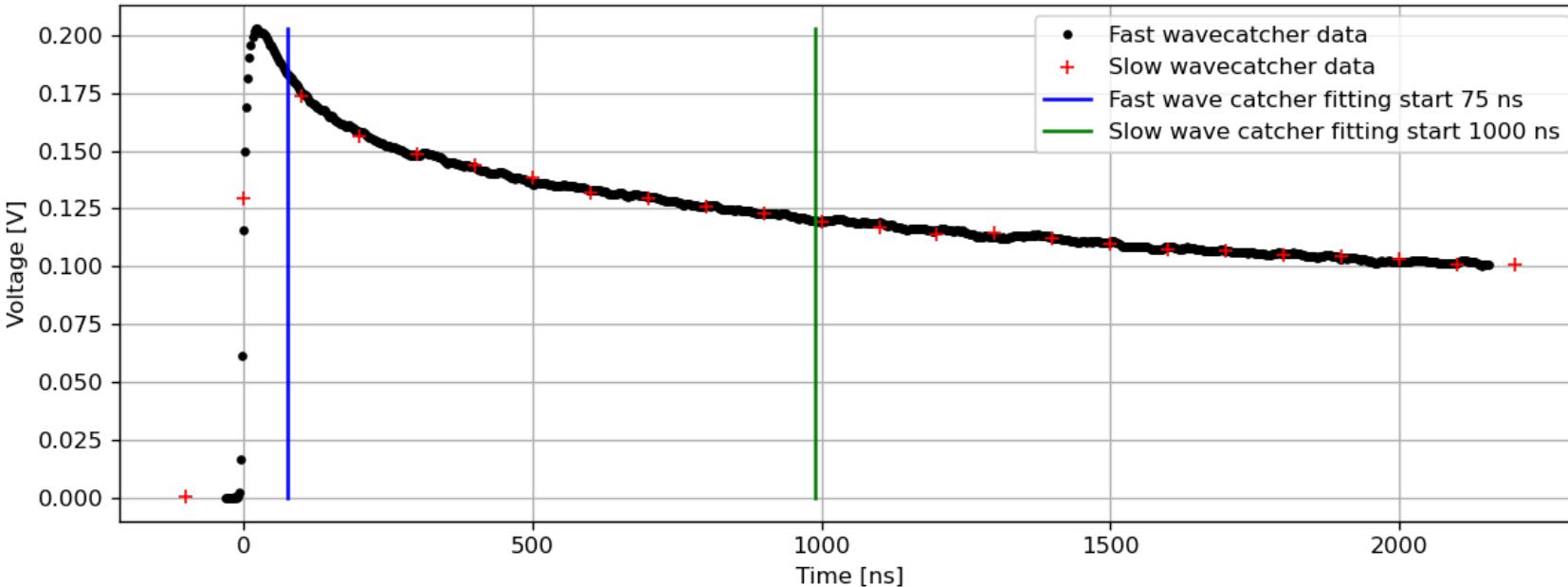
Qc vs Qs 2D plots zoomed in



Events below the red line are considered purely Cherenkov.

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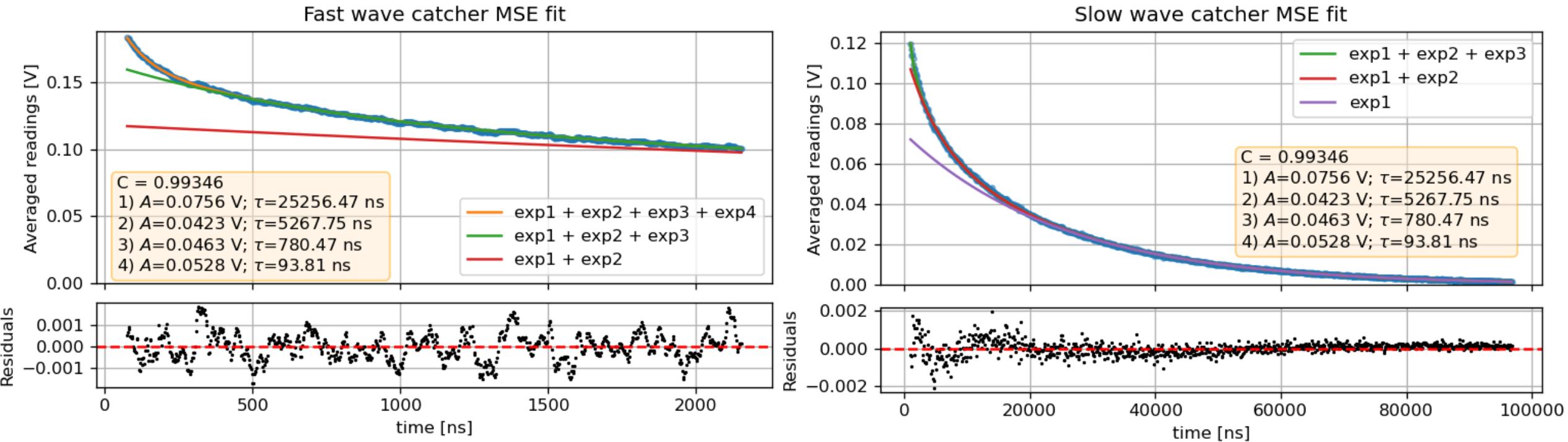
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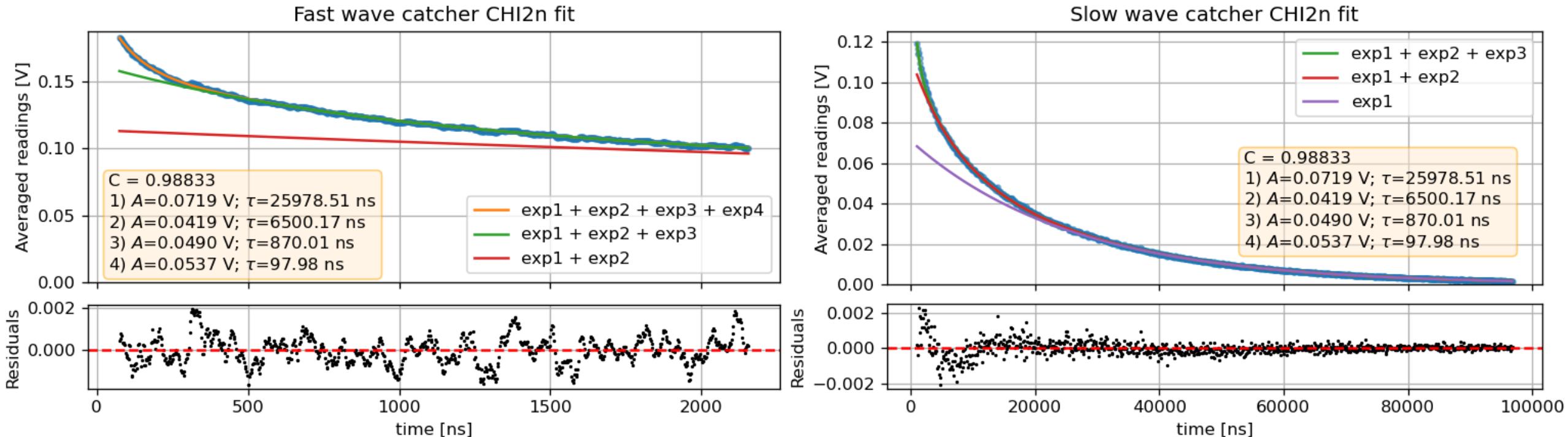
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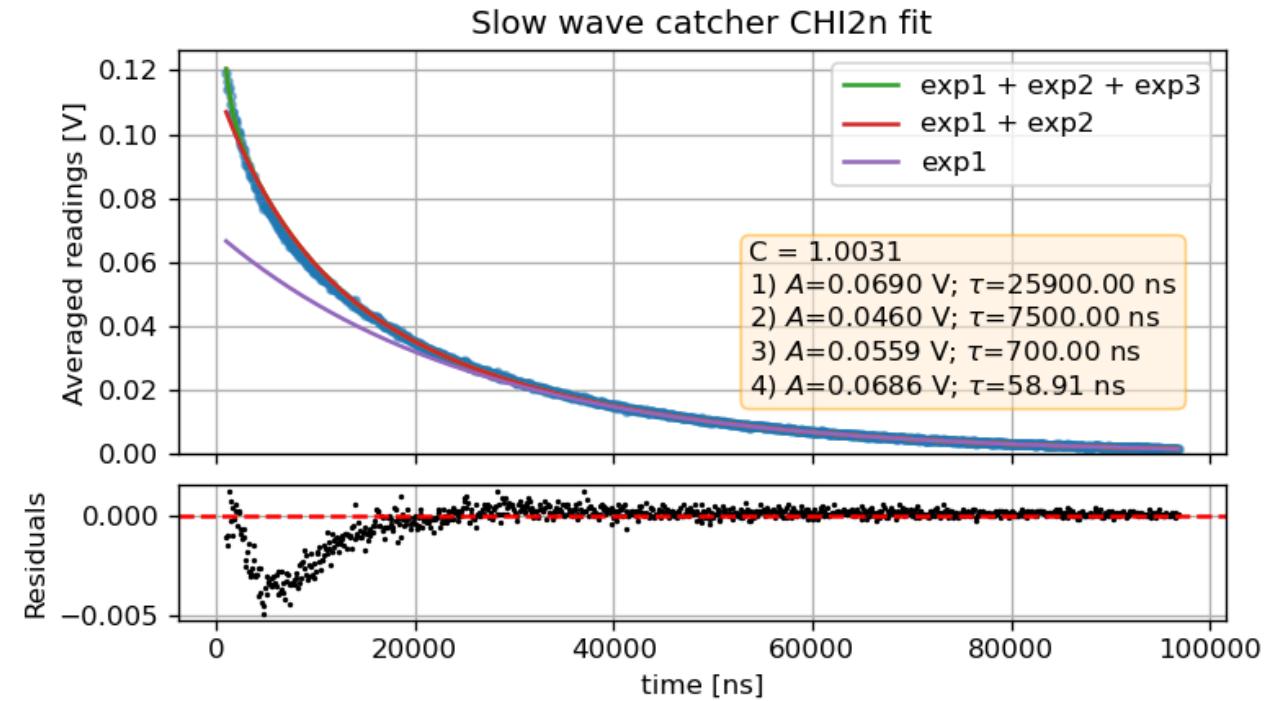
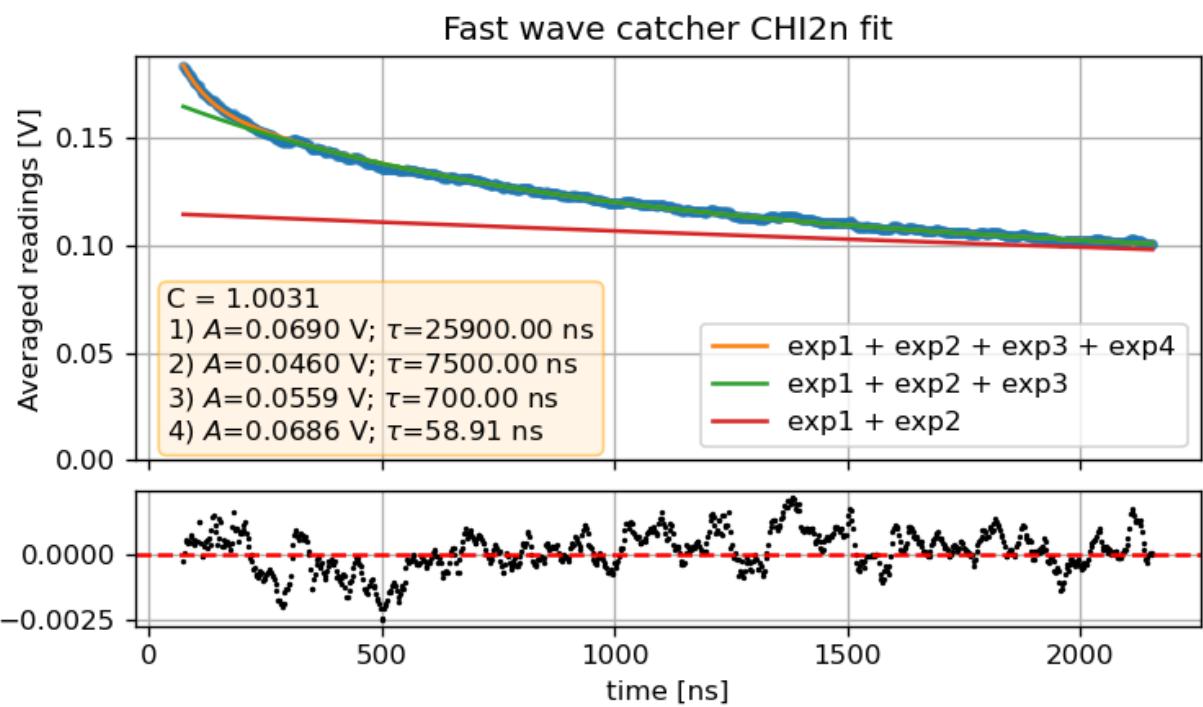
MSE fit results



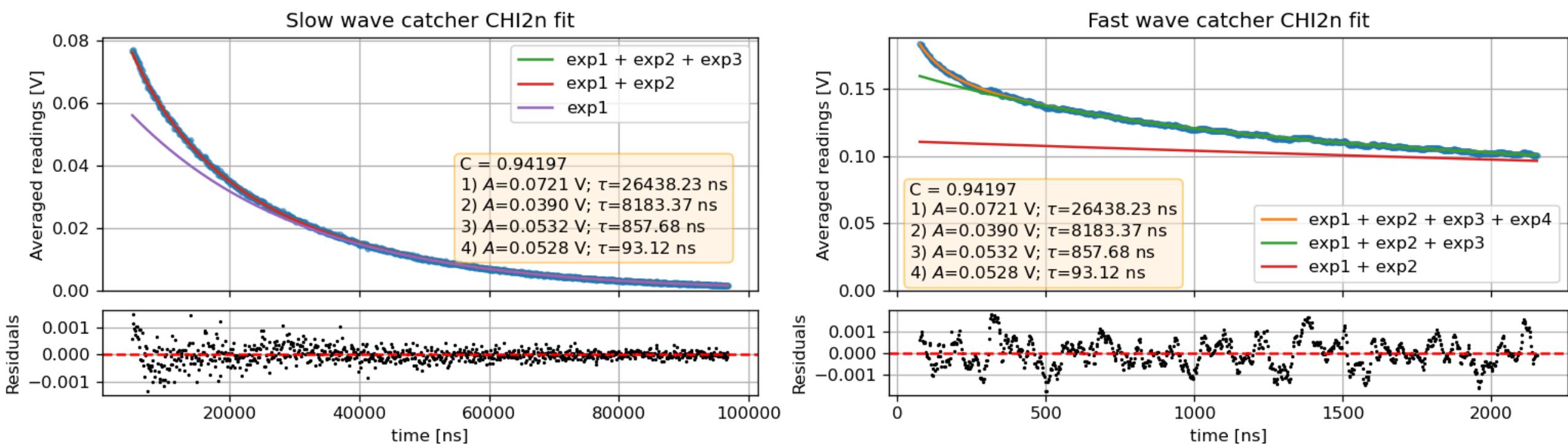
CHI2 fit results



Fix the tau parameters to published values



Fit if slow data starts from 5 μ s



Summary

Parameter	MSE fit	CHI2 fit	Published tau fit	5 μ s slow start fit
C	0.9916	0.9883	1.0031	0.9420
A1	0.0765	0.0719	0.0690	0.0721
A2	0.0420	0.0419	0.0460	0.0390
A3	0.0462	0.0489	0.0559	0.0532
A4	0.0557	0.0537	0.0686	0.0528
tau1	25091.66	25978.51	25900.0	26438.23
tau2	5112.91	6500.17	7500.0	8183.37
tau3	762.98	870.01	700.0	857.68
tau4	88.65	97.98	58.915	93.12