

THE FAST STOCHASTIC MATCHING PURSUIT FOR NEUTRINO EXPERIMENTS

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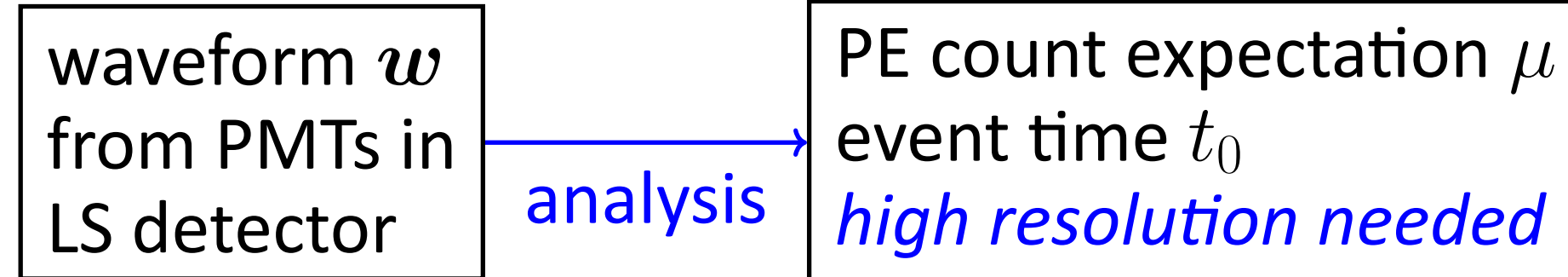


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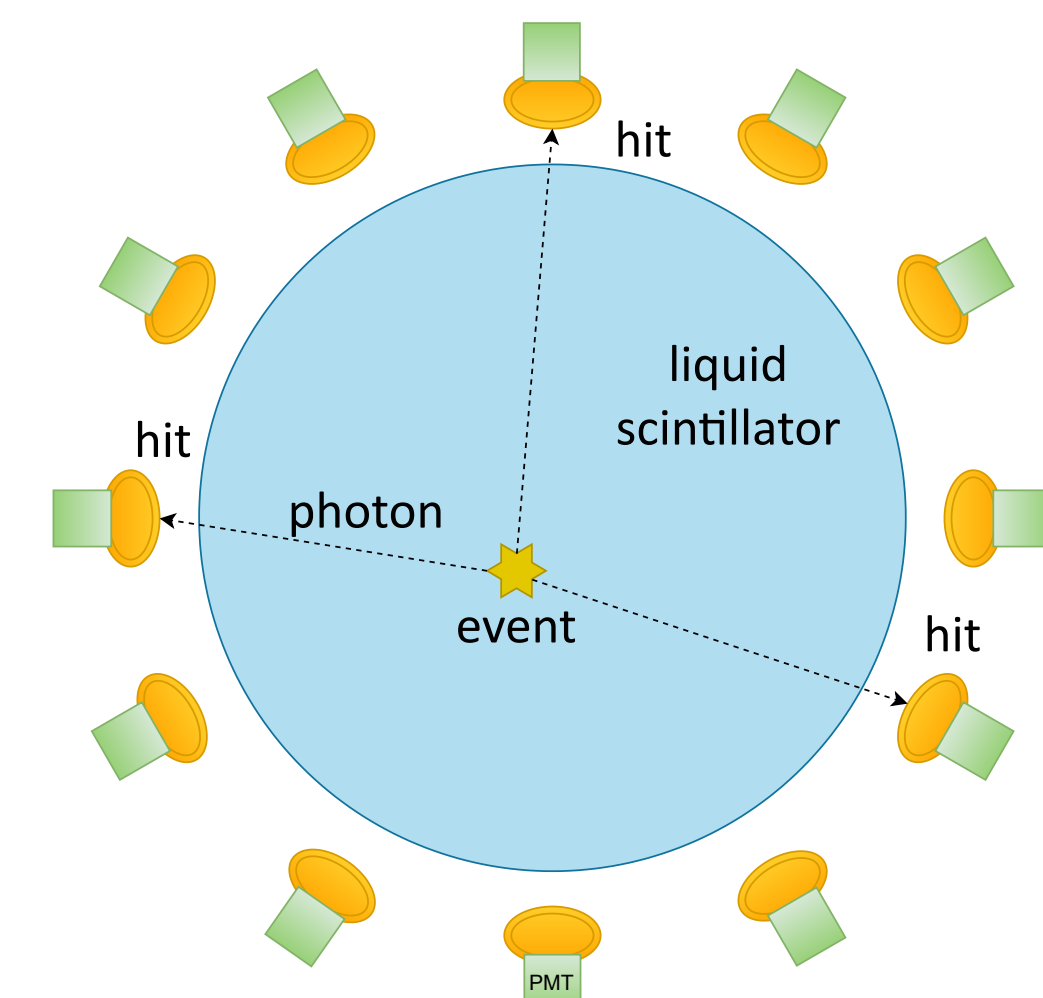
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I. Motivation

To improve **energy and timing resolution** with waveform analysis in a liquid scintillator detector,



FSMP is a *reliable* analysis method in **Bayesian** sense. It deals with *pile-ups*, and gives better resolution of μ and t_0 .

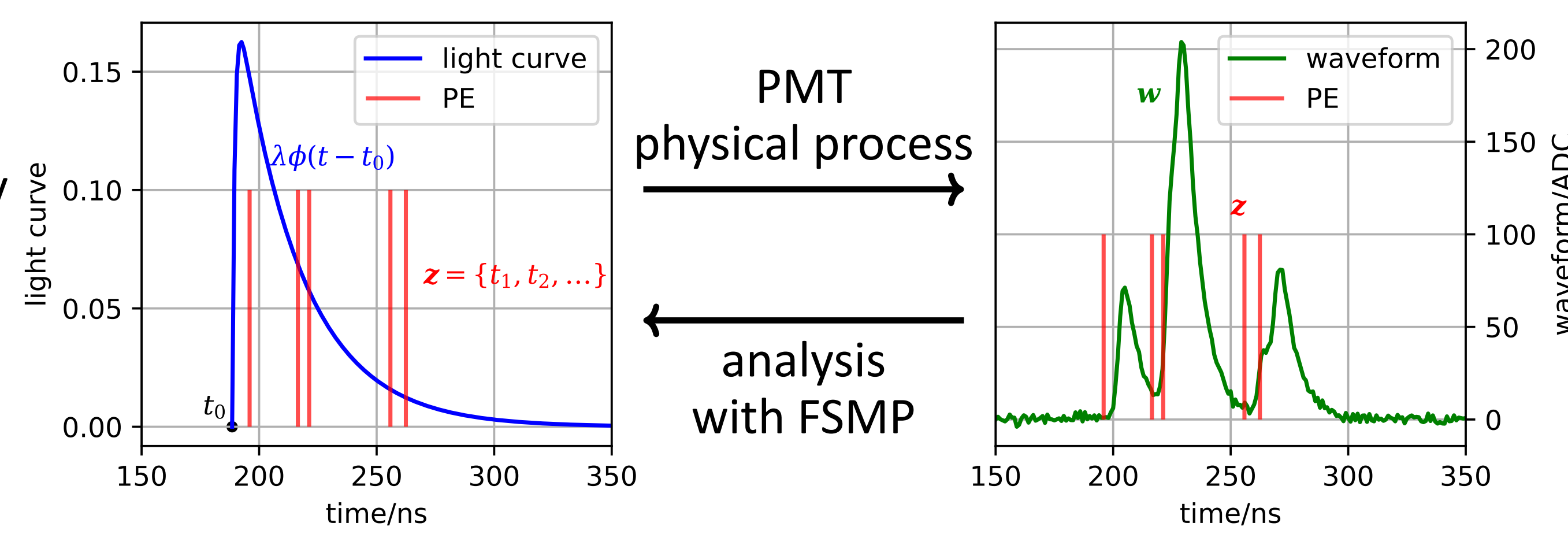


$$p(\mathbf{z}, t_0 | \mathbf{w}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{z}, t_0) p(\mathbf{z}, t_0)}{p(\mathbf{w})}$$

The event energy E and position \mathbf{r} may be estimated by MLE:

$$(\hat{E}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}) = \arg \max_{E, \mathbf{r}} p(E, \mathbf{r} | \mu, t_0, \mathbf{w})$$

$$= \arg \max_{E, \mathbf{r}} \frac{p(\mu, t_0 | E, \mathbf{r}) p(E, \mathbf{r})}{p(\mu, t_0 | \mathbf{w})}$$



IV. Bias and resolution

The relative resolution of μ , and the resolution of t_0 are defined as

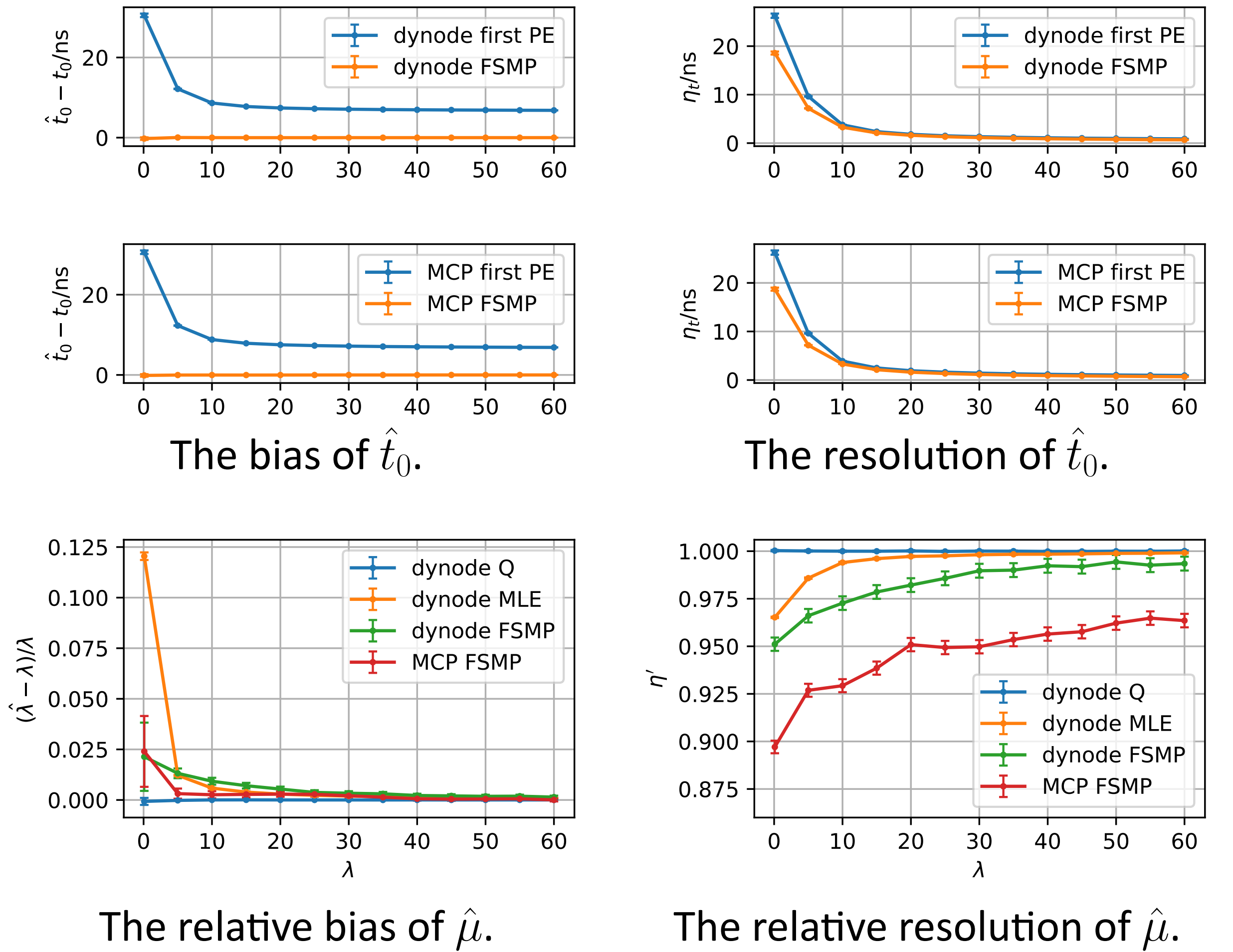
$$\eta'_\mu = \frac{\sqrt{\text{Var}[\hat{\mu}]} / E[\hat{\mu}]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[N_{\text{PE}}]} / E[N_{\text{PE}}]}, \quad \eta_{t_0} = \frac{\sqrt{\text{Var}[\hat{t}_0 - t_0]} / E[\hat{t}_0]}{E[t_0]}$$

where N_{PE} is number of PEs.

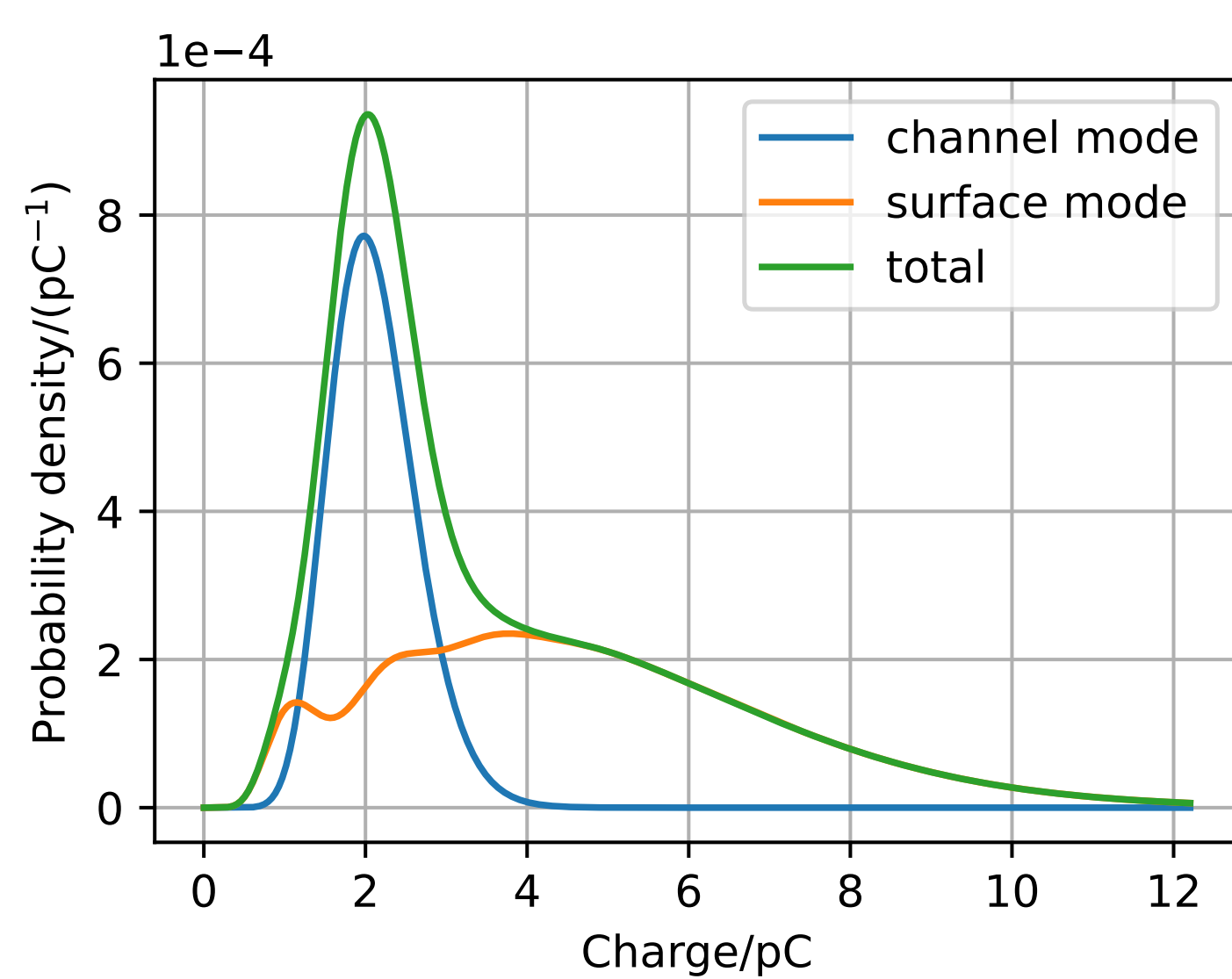
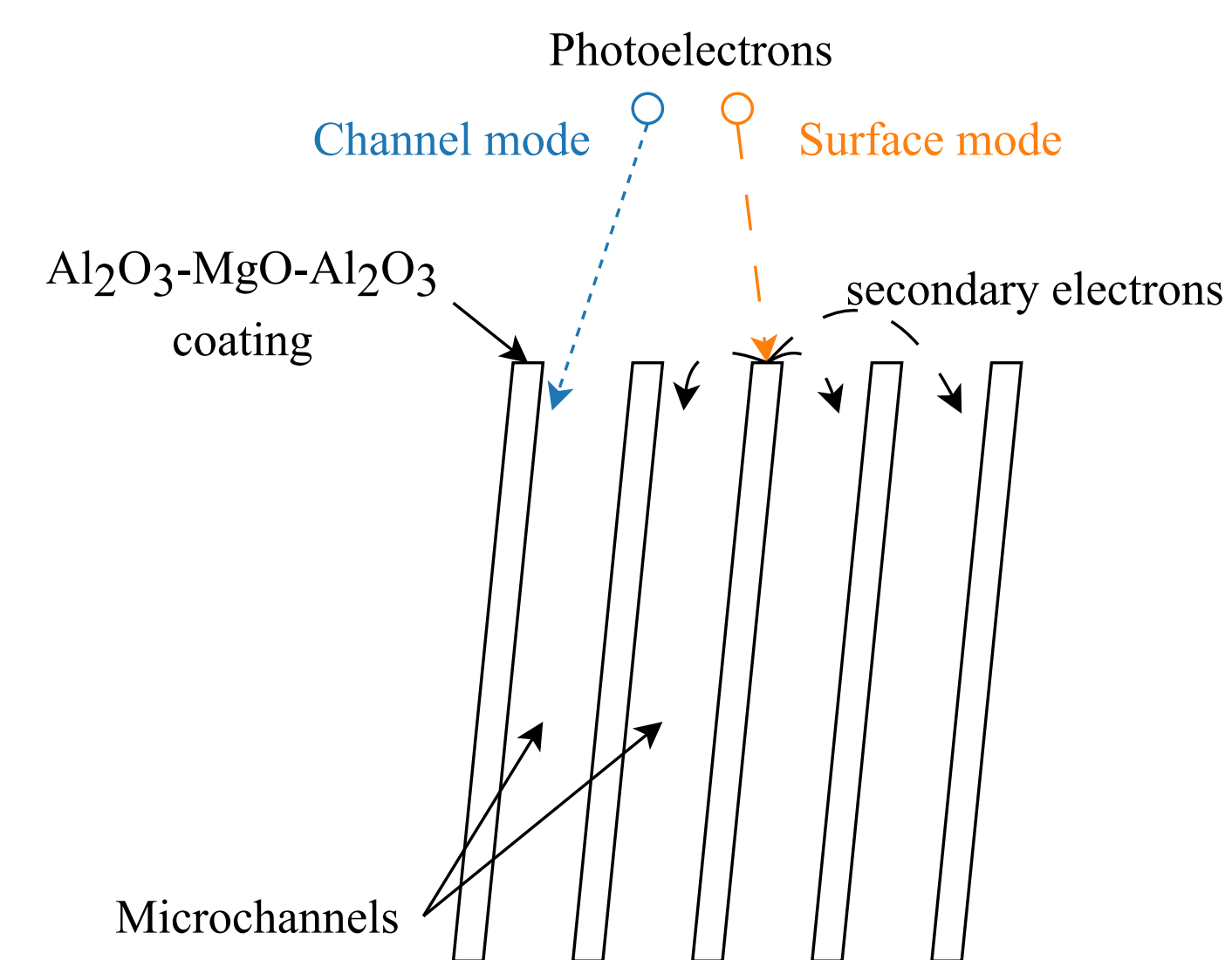
The **first PE** method uses the first PE time as event time, which is biased.

Q is the integration of waveforms. **MLE** is the MLE without timing information. The **FSMP** is MLE with FSMP analysis.

In the **most optimistic** case, the resolution improvement of μ could be seen as the improvement of energy resolution.



II. Charge model for MCP-PMTs

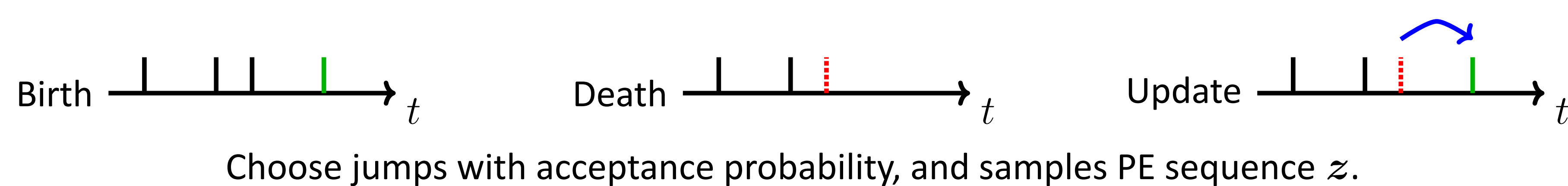


There are **channel mode** and **surface mode** of PE in MCP-PMTs (arXiv 2402.13266).

We use a mixture of multiple normal distributions to represent the **charge model**.

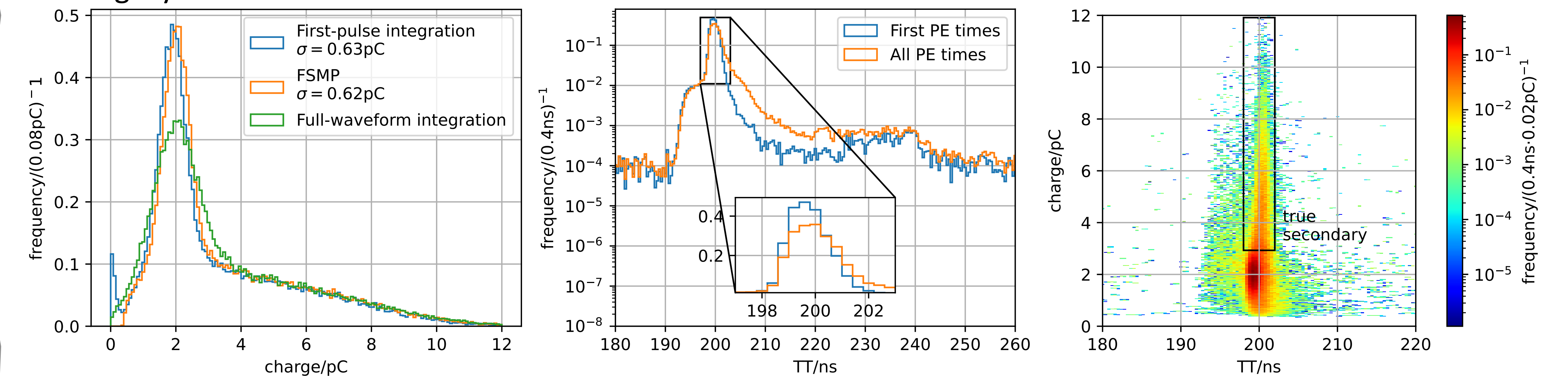
III. The RJMCMC sampling in FSMP

Fast stochastic matching pursuit (FSMP, arXiv 2403.03156) supports any charge model constructed with mixed Gaussian model, including MCP-PMTs' charge model.



V. Laboratory test

We tested FSMP with the 8-inch MCP-PMT used in JNE, comparing the charge distribution and PE time distribution with legacy methods.



The **charge distribution** utilizes more information than **first-pulse integration** and gives better resolution than **full-waveform integration**. The **PE time distribution** gives full timing information, and gives better estimation of the TTS than **first PE times**. It distinguishes the *true-secondary* PEs when comparing with the charges.

VI. Summary

- **Better energy:** the resolution is up to 10% better ($\mu = 1$).
- **Better timing:** unbiased estimator, and the resolution is 30% better ($\mu = 1$).
- **High performance:** ~ 100 waveforms per second, ~ 100 times faster on consumer GPUs than CPUs.
- We have applied FSMP to the **JNE**, and are actively working on applying it to the **JUNO**.