

Noise-Filtering & Saturation/ Non-Linearity in SBND

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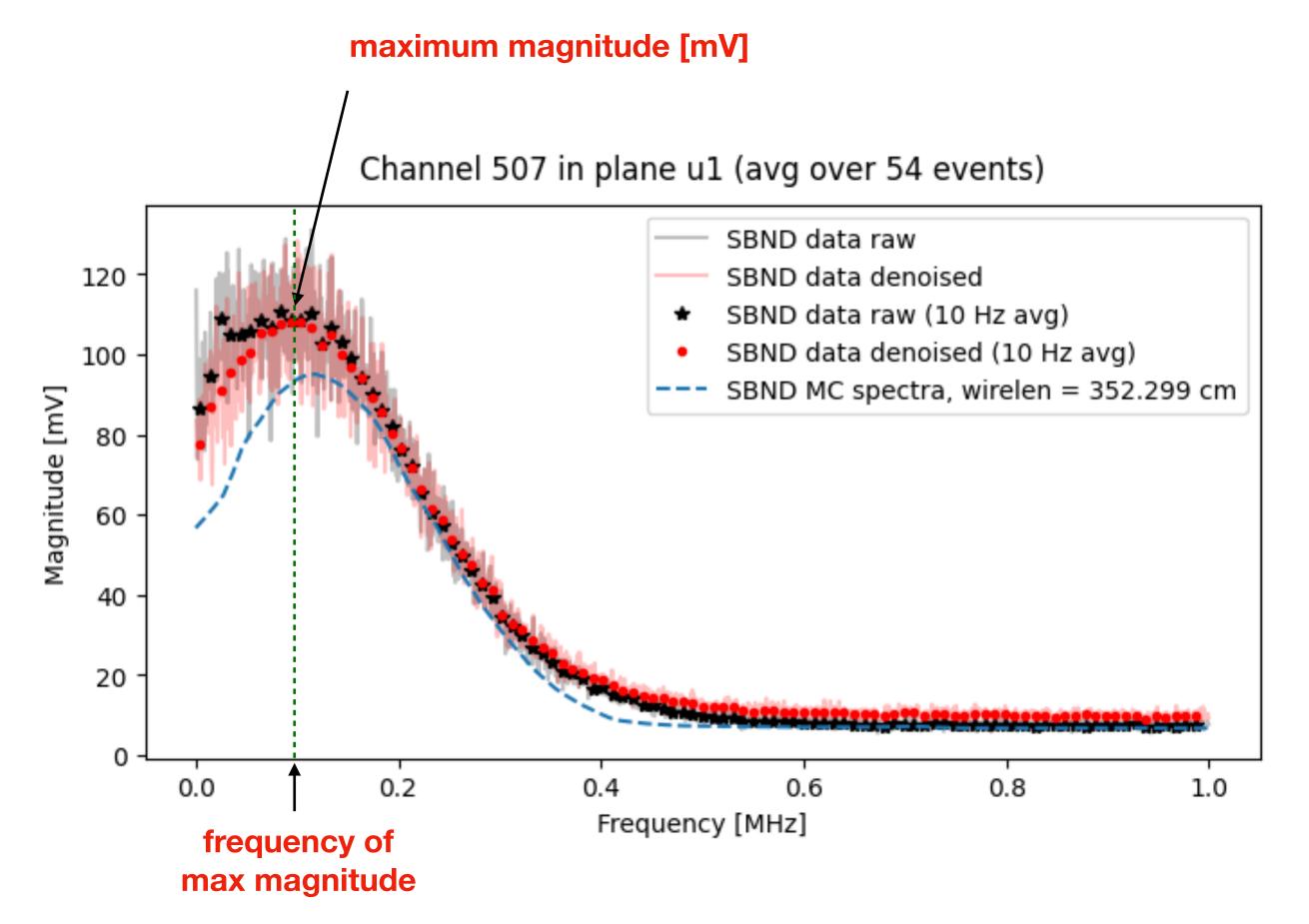
Outline

- noise-filtering performance in SBND
 - evaluation of noise-removal in data
 - signal protection in simulation

non-linearity model and saturation/FE baseline fit



Noise Spectra Evaluation

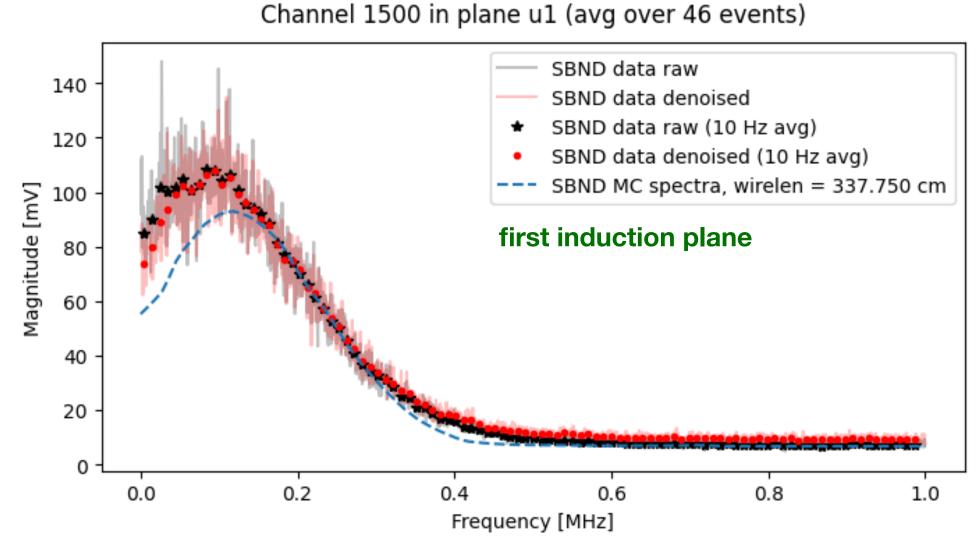


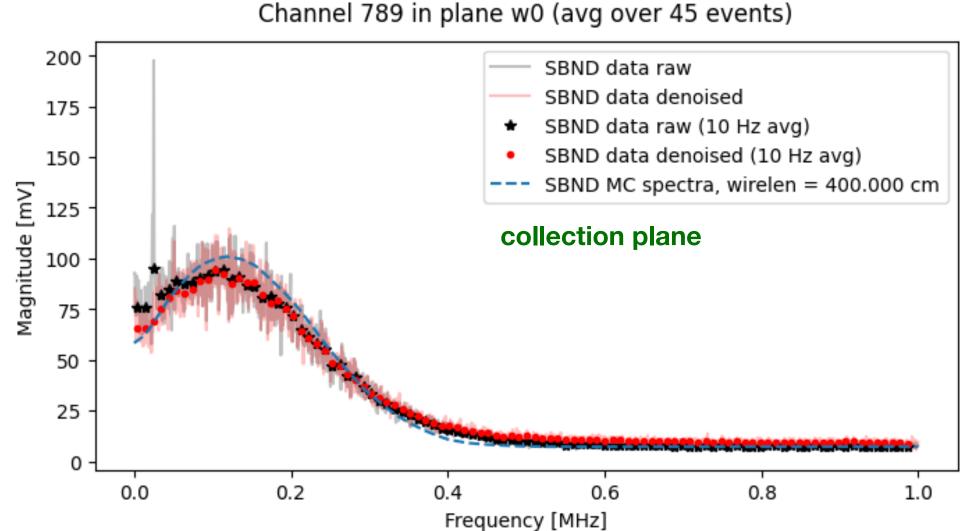
- comparing noise spectra from data, on a channel-by-channel basis, between:
 - raw waveforms (no filtering)
 - de-noised waveforms
 - SBND MC spectra

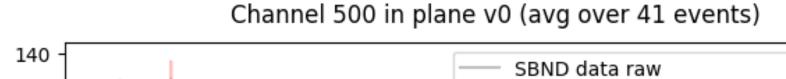
- can compare the overall power for each channel with extrapolated PD SP noise spectra
 - PD SP has same CE

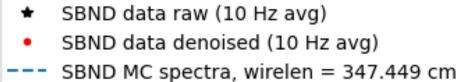


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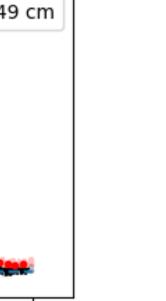
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0.6

Frequency [MHz]

SBND data denoised



1.0

- in general, using only single + grouped noise filters works very well in SBND!
- coherent noise peaks (mainly at low frequencies) are removed without specialized treatment

0.2

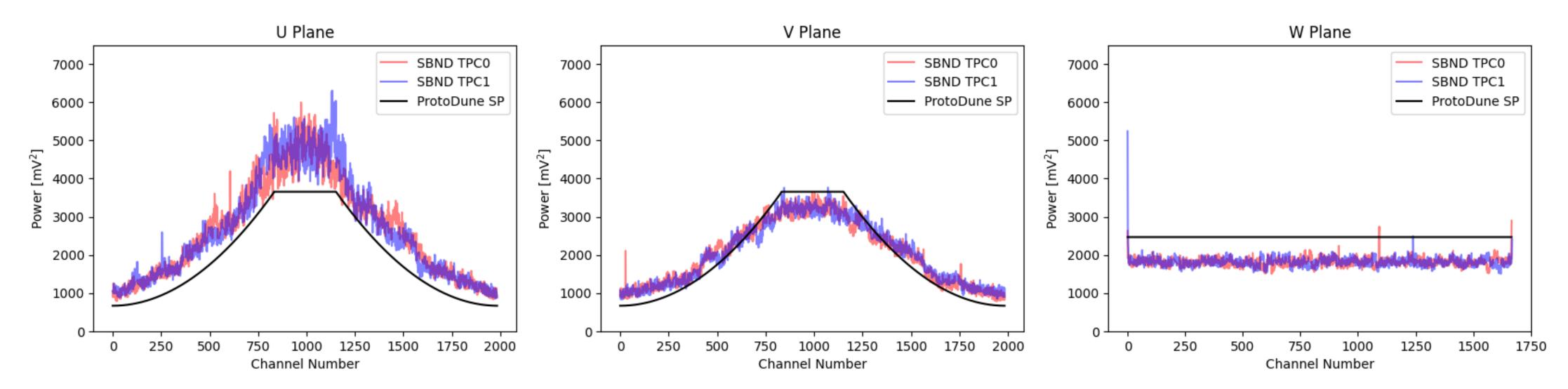
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SBND vs. PD Noise

Noise Spectra Power for SBND and (extrapolated) ProtoDune SP

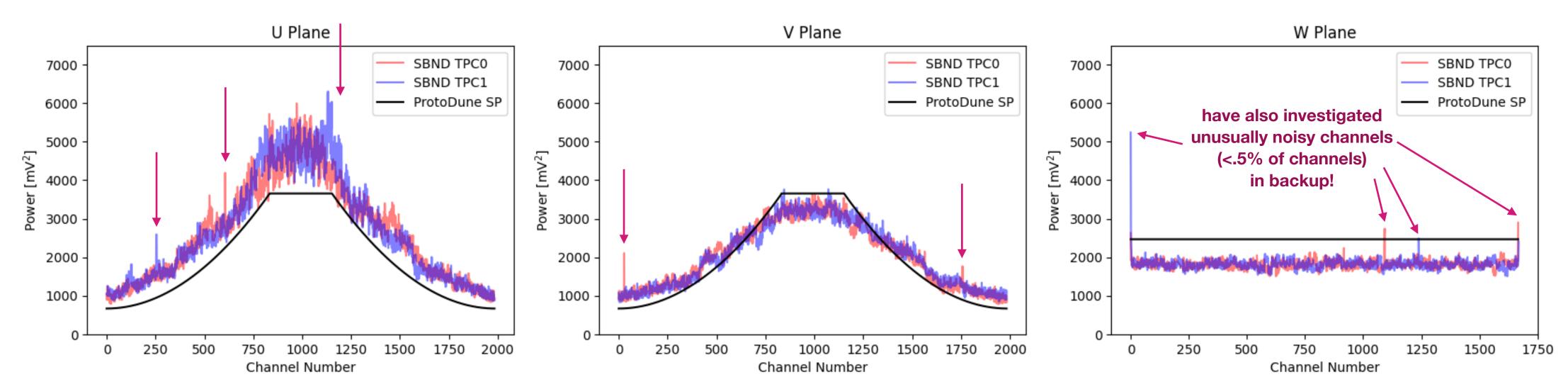


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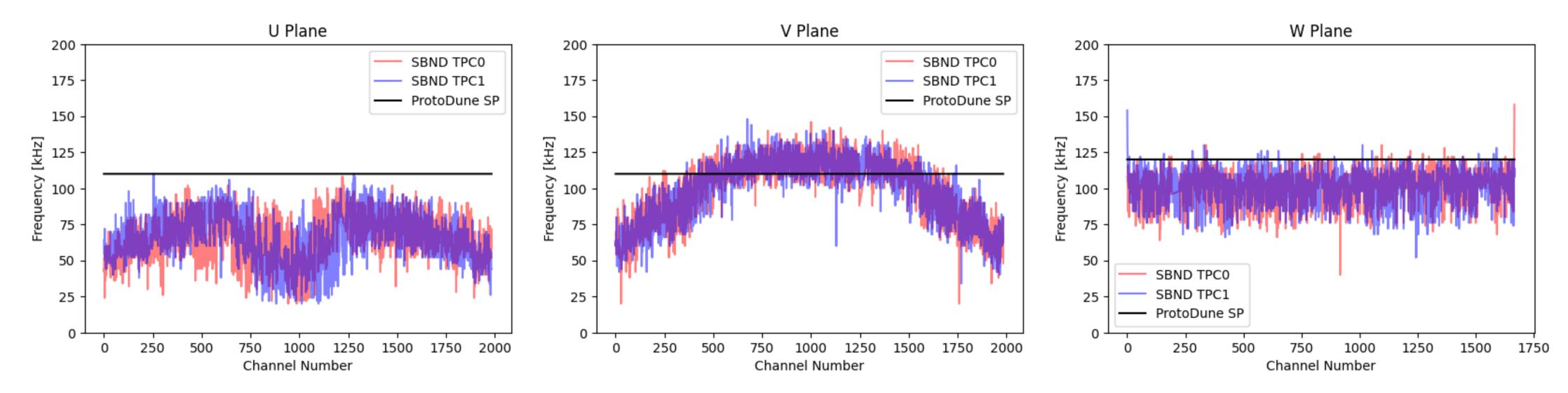


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SBND vs. PD Frequency of Maximum

Frequency of Noise Spectra Maximum for SBND and (extrapolated) ProtoDune SP

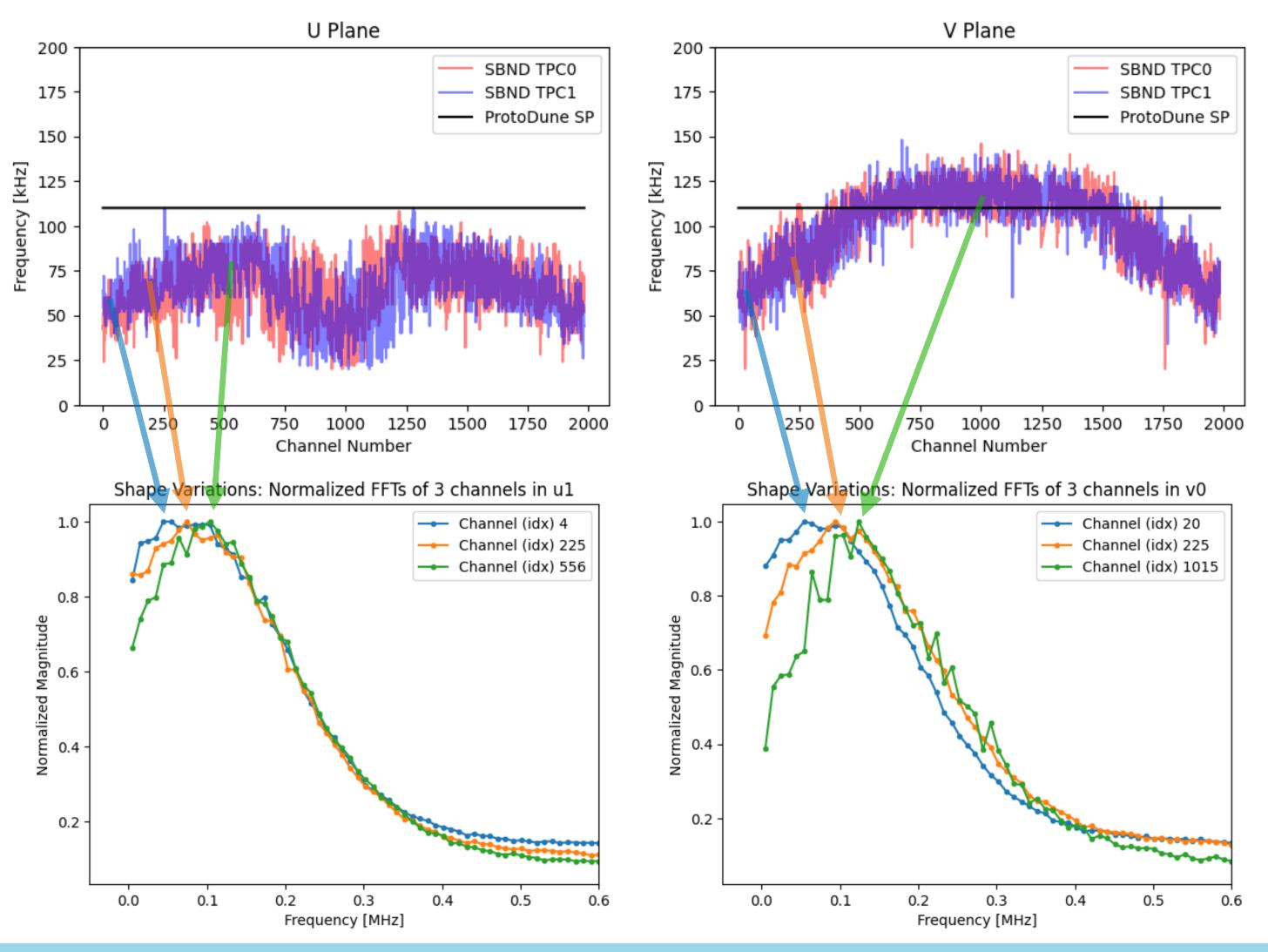


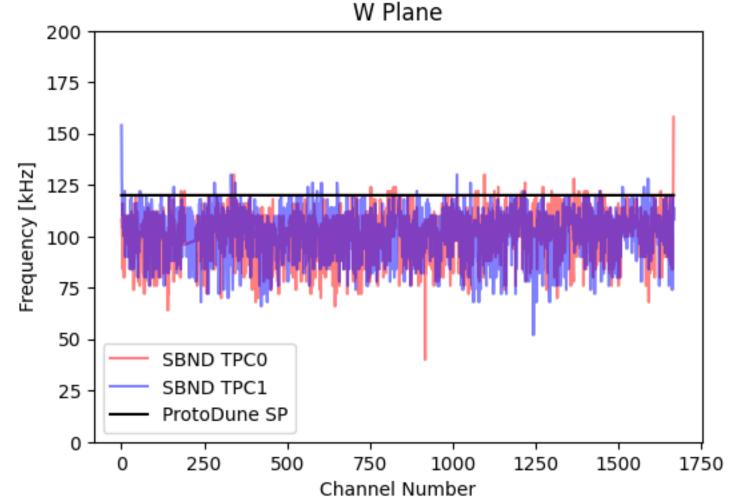
 the shape/peak of the noise spectra in SBND seems to be somewhat channeldependent, potentially wire-length dependent



Shape Variations of Noise Spectra in SBND

Frequency of Noise Spectra Maximum for SBND and (extrapolated) ProtoDune SP



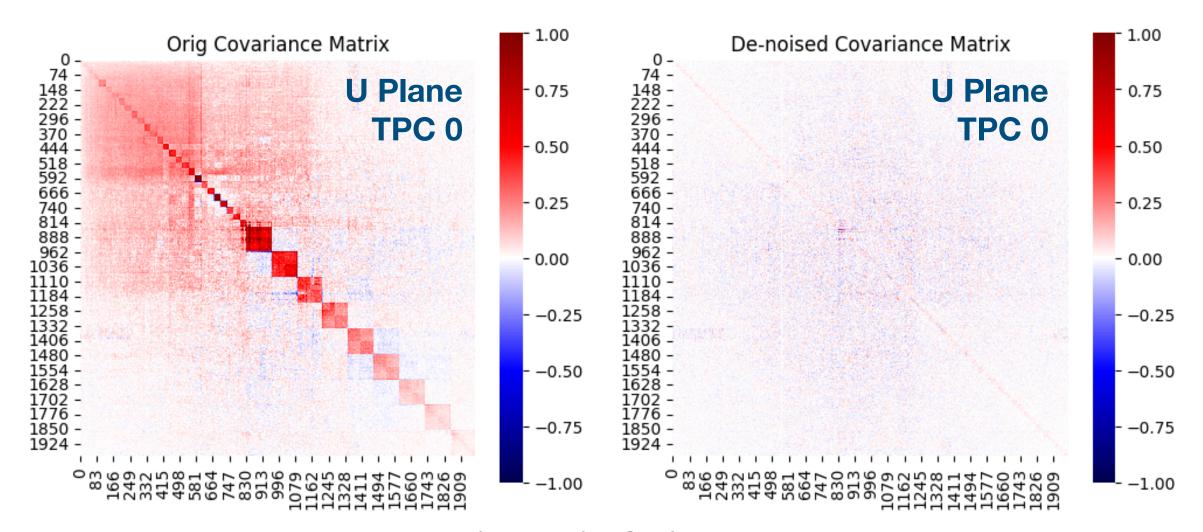


 broadening/shifting of the peak at shorter wires?

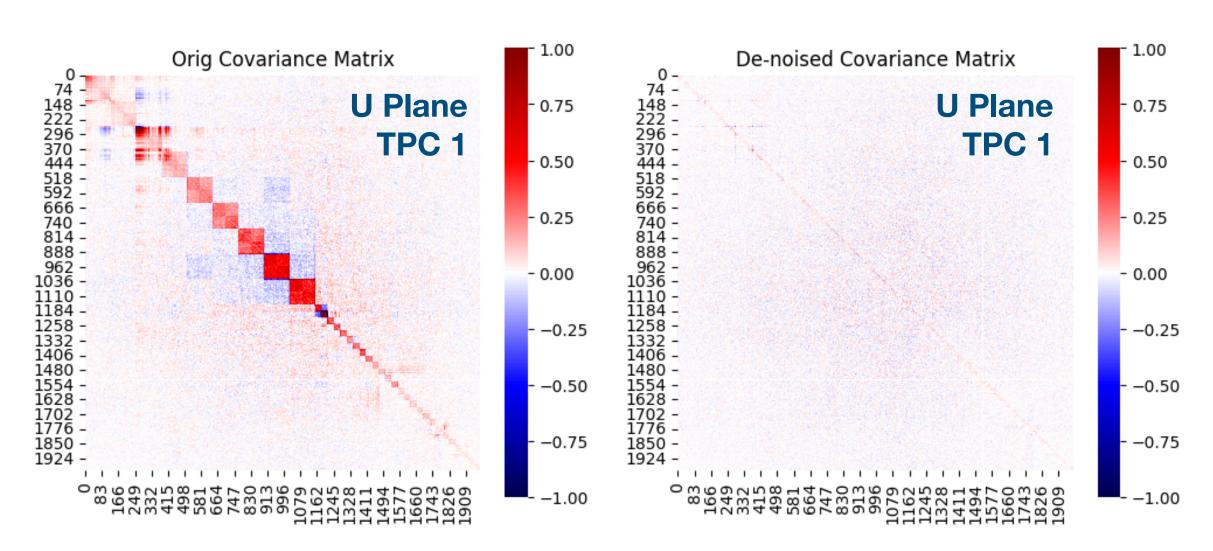


Covariance matrices

Covariance Matrices for plane u, tpc 0



Covariance Matrices for plane u, tpc 1



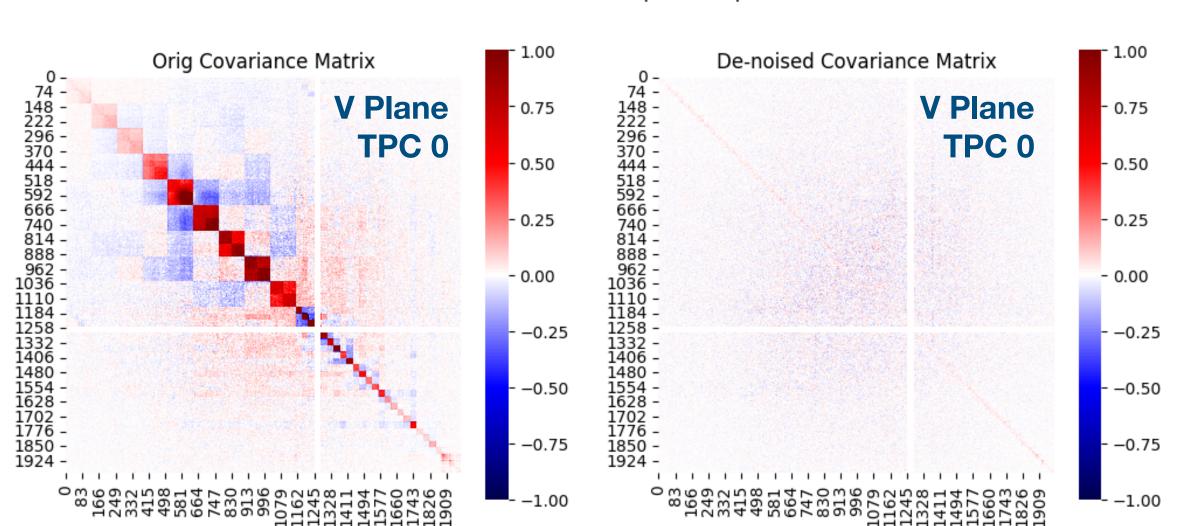
- can also evaluate coherent noise removal performance by checking covariance (or correlation) matrices
 - correlation matrices in backup!

- using covariance matrix with narrow colorbar limits allows us to view the structure of coherence more clearly
- for SBND in general, coherent noise is very manageable and the removal is straightforward

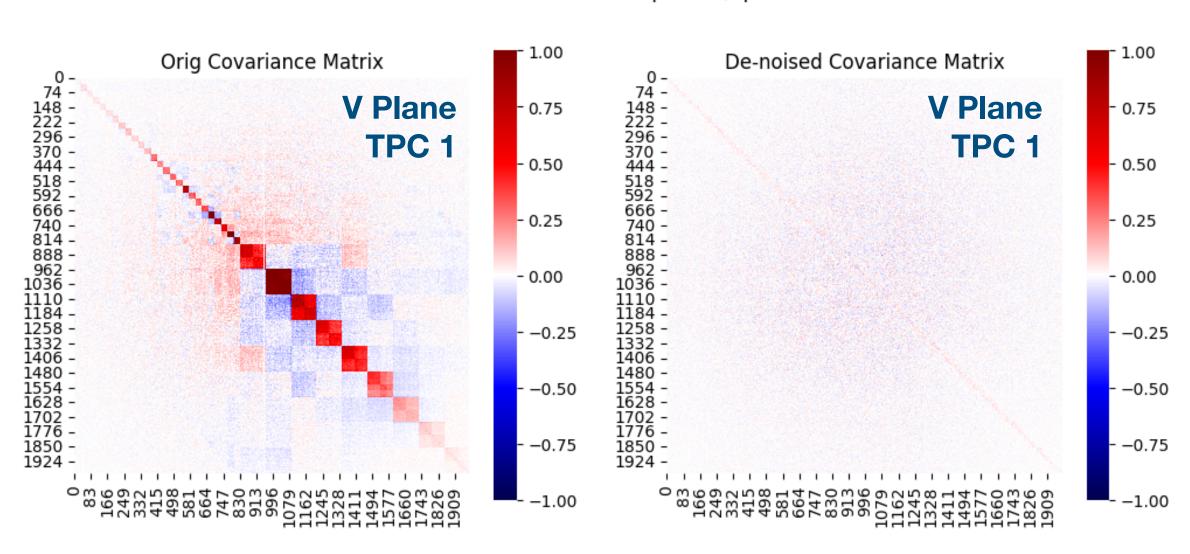


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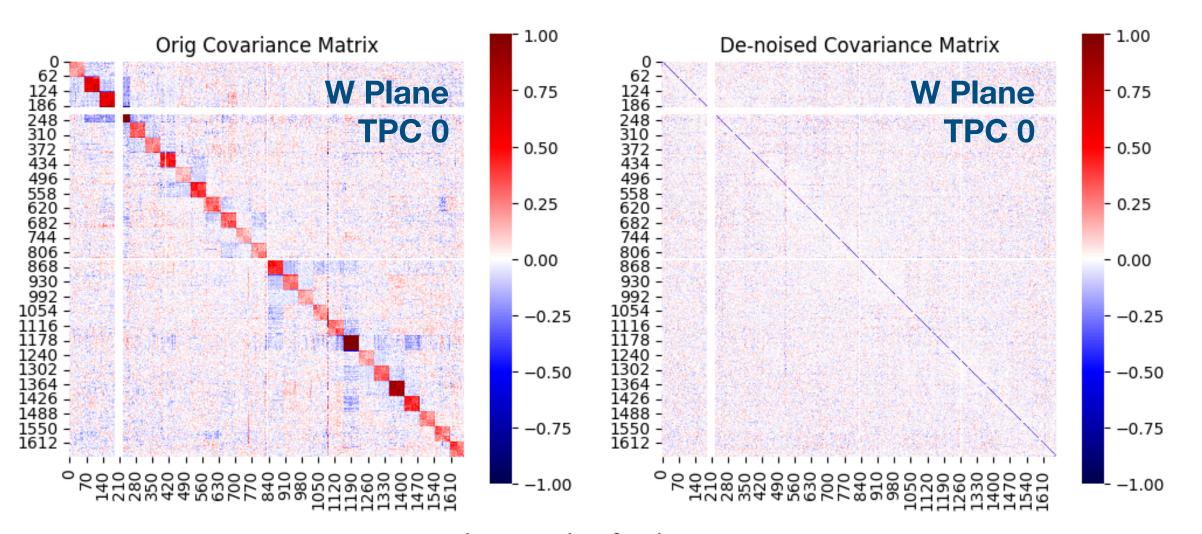
Covariance Matrices for plane v, tpc 0



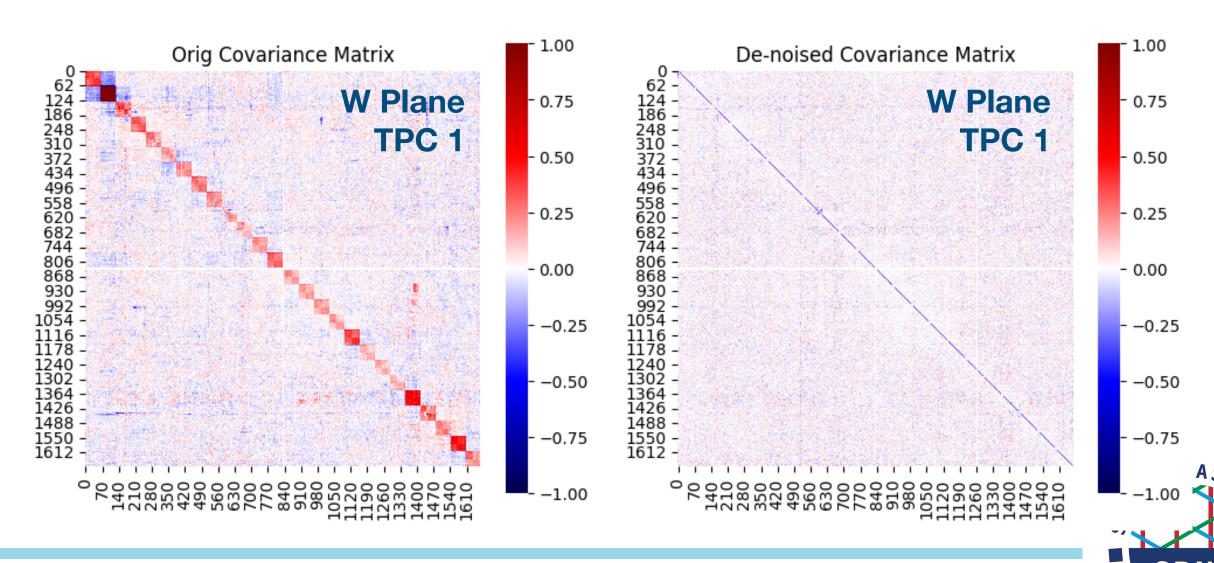
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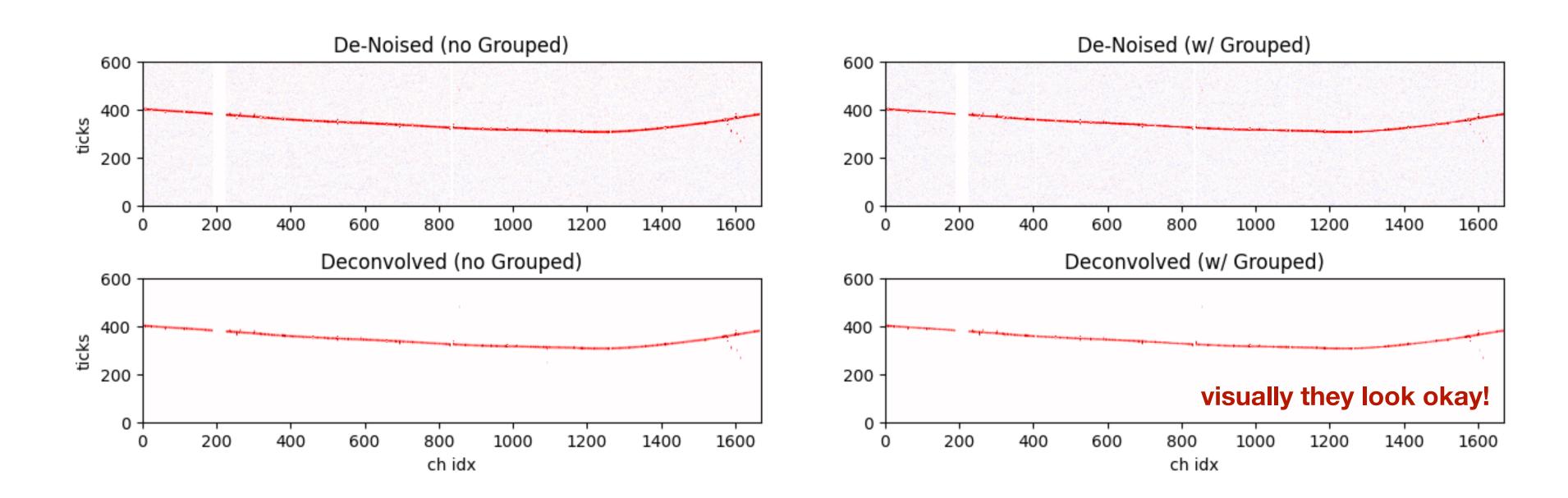
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MC Signal Protection

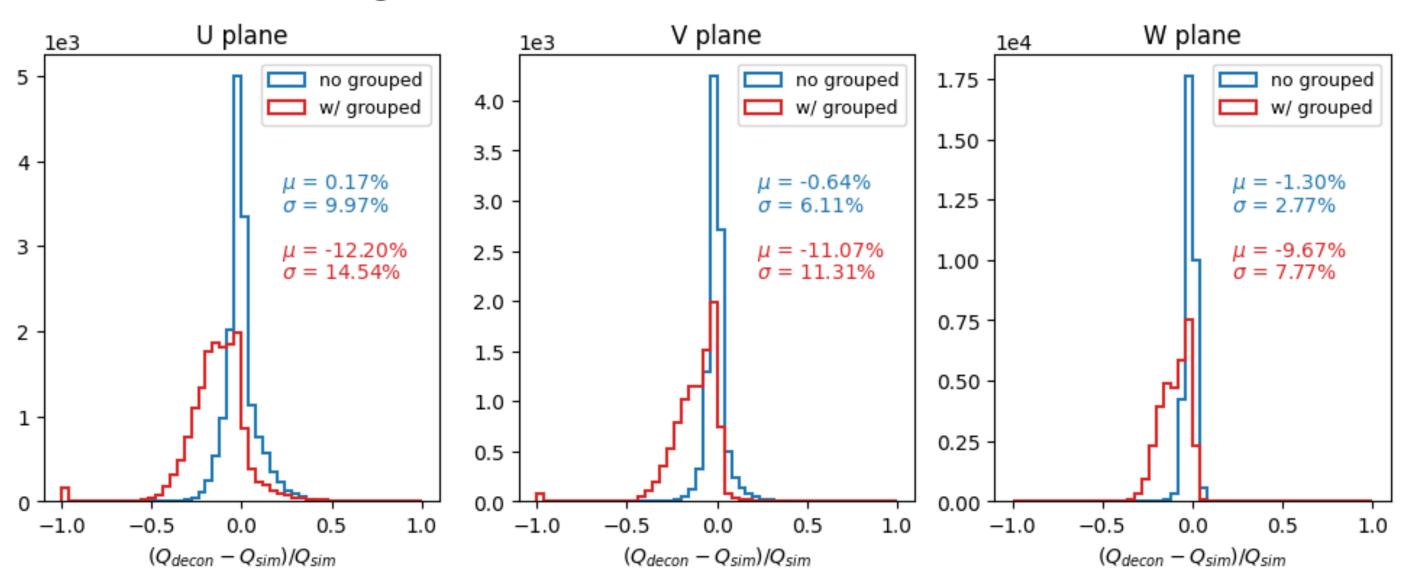
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- given that the current parameters of noise-filtering work well for coherent noise removal, we also need to check using MC that signal is protected
 - 1. simulate isochronous muon tracks for each wire plane
 - 2. evaluate charge bias and resolution from deconvolved waveforms

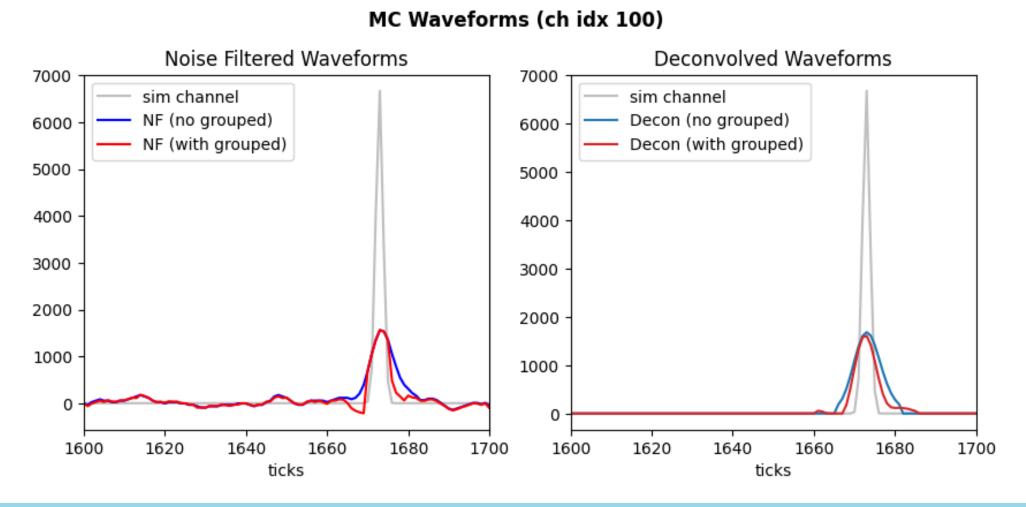


MC Signal Protection

Charge Extraction for isochronous tracks, ADC limit = 15



- however, clearly there was significant signal removal using the existing grouped filter parameters
 - edges of signal ROIs are identified as noise

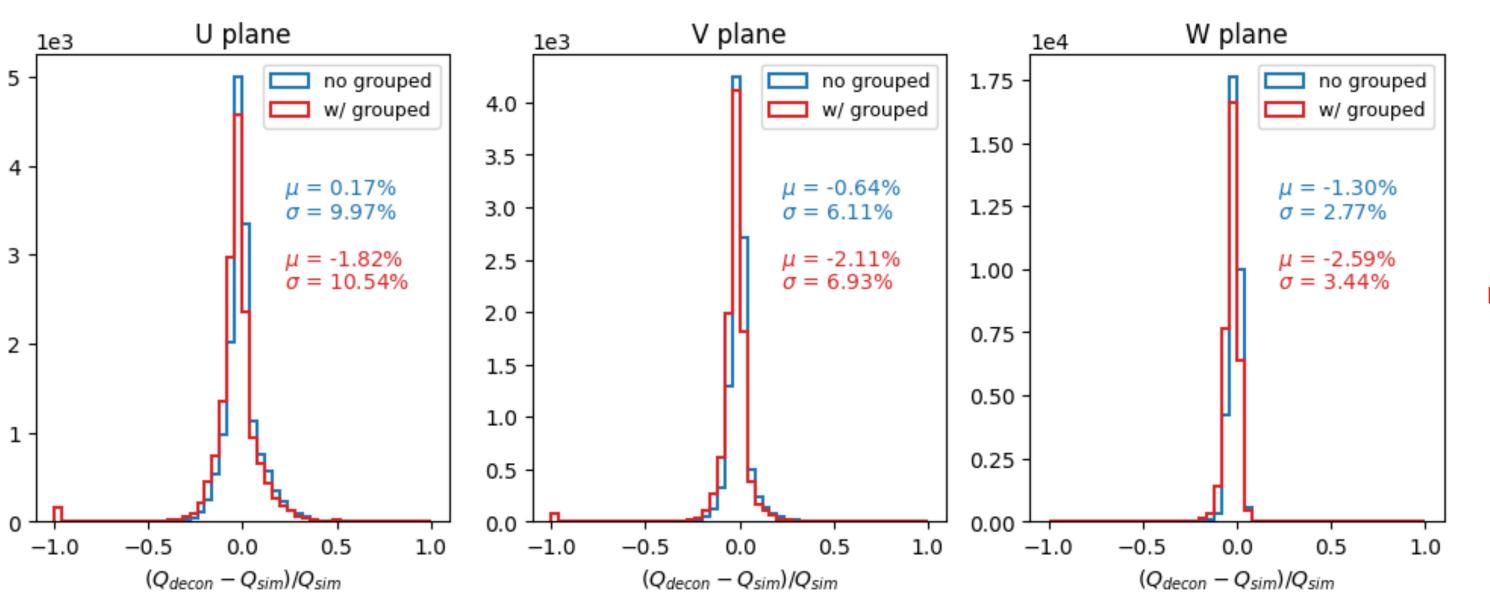




MC Signal Protection

- we tuned *one* parameter for coherent noise filtering
 - changed adc_limit from 15 \rightarrow 10, effectively lowering the threshold for signal identification
 - worked perfectly!
- the spectral power + cov matrices are nearly identical, so coherent noise is still being removed successfully with this parameter change

Charge Extraction for isochronous tracks, ADC limit = 10 ADC



change in bias and resolution on the <2% level



Noise Filtering: Summary

- performed comprehensive evaluation of coherent noise removal in SBND
 - compared power with PD SP, remaining noise in SBND is comparable to expected intrinsic noise
 - no indications of excess noise or pickup noise on >99.5% of channels
- performed validation of signal protection in MC using isochronous tracks
 - tuning was straightforward!

• last task: identify/evaluate remaining teardrop effects in MC/data



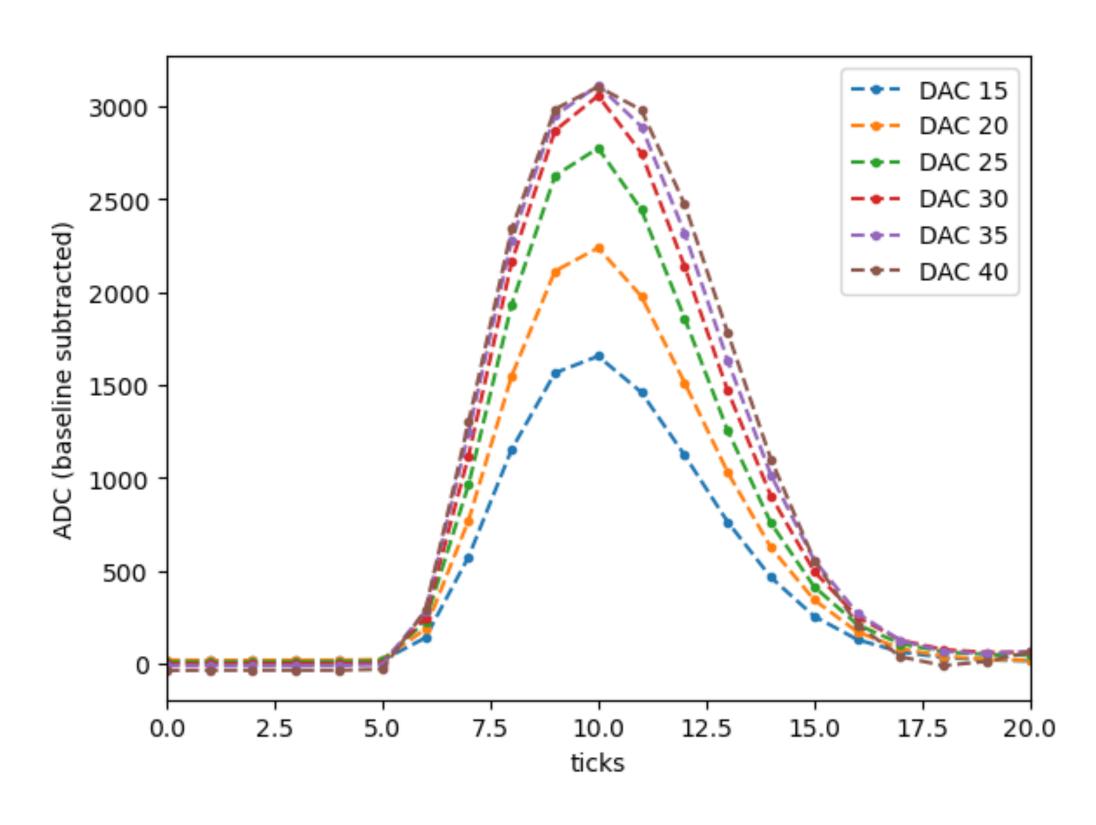
CE non-linearity & FE Baseline variations

Non-Linearity + FE ASIC Baseline Variations

- non-linear region has not been studied and is not simulated
- additionally, due to variations in the FE ASIC baseline, the effective dynamic range can:
 - 1. be smaller than expected
 - 2. vary channel by channel

- using SBND pulser data, we can make measurements in the non-linear region
 - focus on collection plane wires (for now)

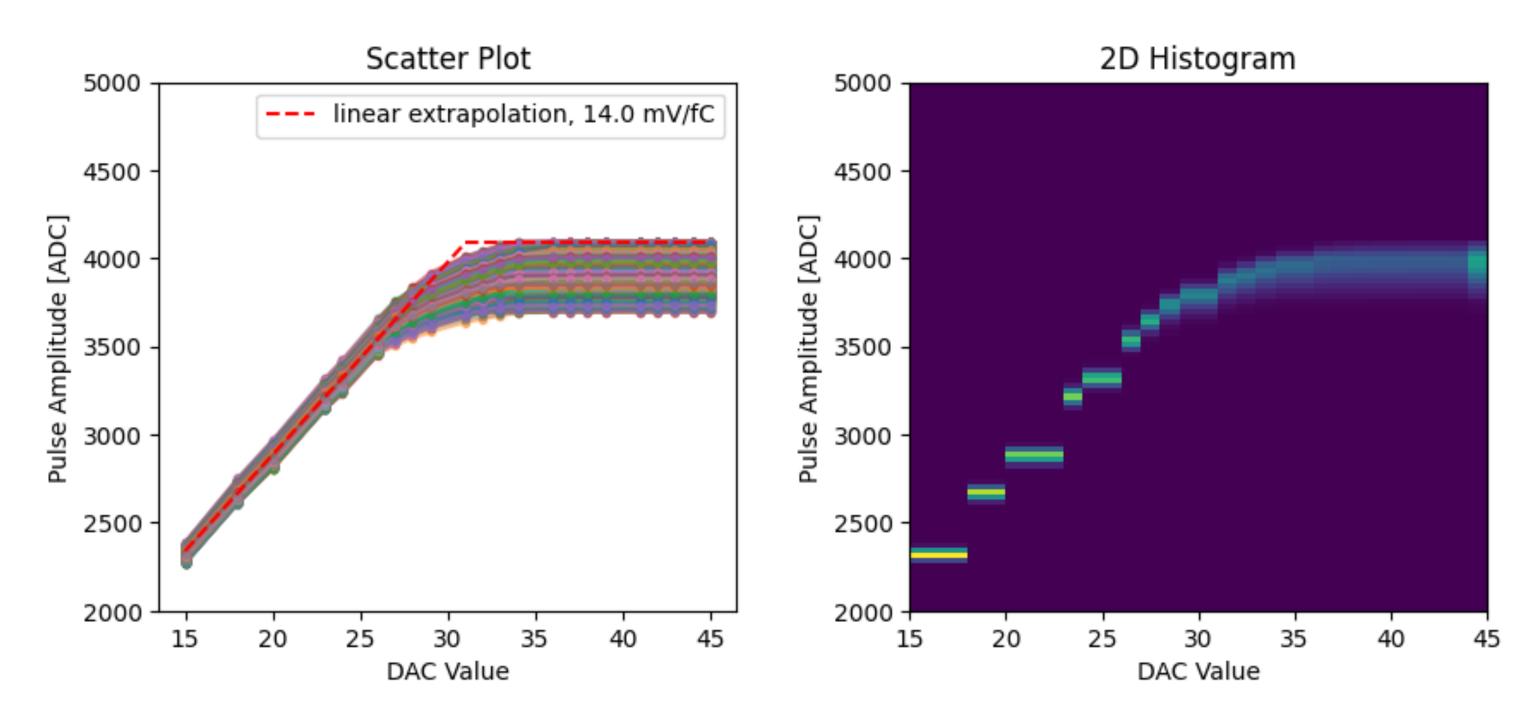






Non-Linearity + FE ASIC Baseline Variations

Pulse Amplitude vs. DAC Value for all Collection Plane Channels (in Saturation Zone)



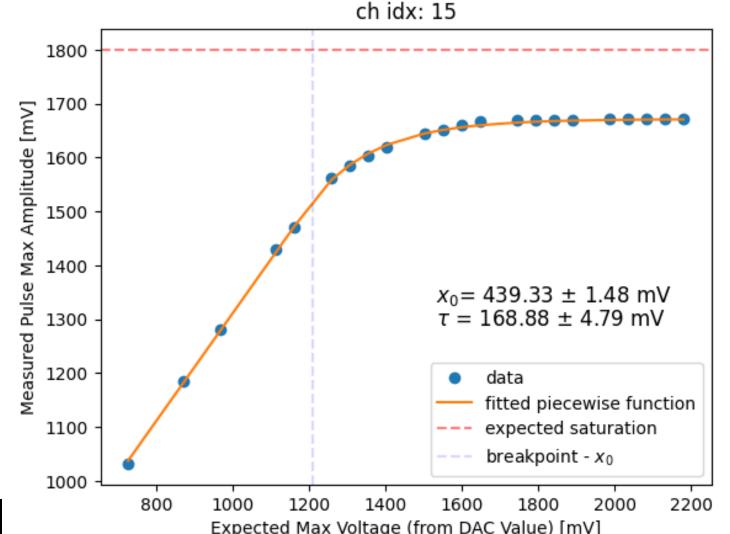
- was able to take finer resolution pulser data to properly parametrize the non-linear region
- variation in FE ASIC baseline results in lower saturation voltage



Non-Linearity model + FE Baseline Fit

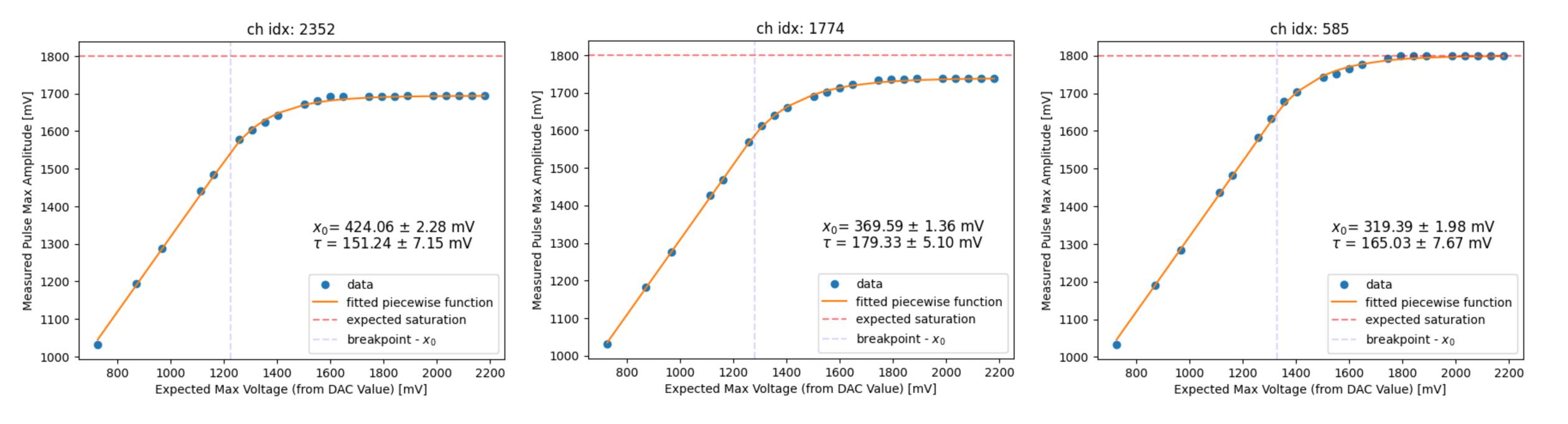
• performed a fit for all collection channels using a piecewise linear+non-linear model

$$y = \begin{cases} x + x_0 & x < x_b - x_0 \\ (V_{sat} - x_b) \cdot \left(1 - \exp(-\frac{x + x_0 - x_b}{\tau}) + x_b & x \ge x_b - x_0 \end{cases}$$



- x_0 is the fitted FE baseline (essentially an x-axis shift)
- x_b is the "break-point" voltage between the linear \rightarrow non-linear model
 - determined to be 1650 mV for all channels! (we set it now to be constant)
- τ is the exponential constant (describes shape of non-linear region)
- V_{sat} is the observed saturation value, correlated with x_0 and also folds in the ADC baseline
 - measured directly from data, not a free parameter in the fit

Non-Linear/Saturation Fit performance



this model works well for channels with smaller and larger FE ASIC baseline values

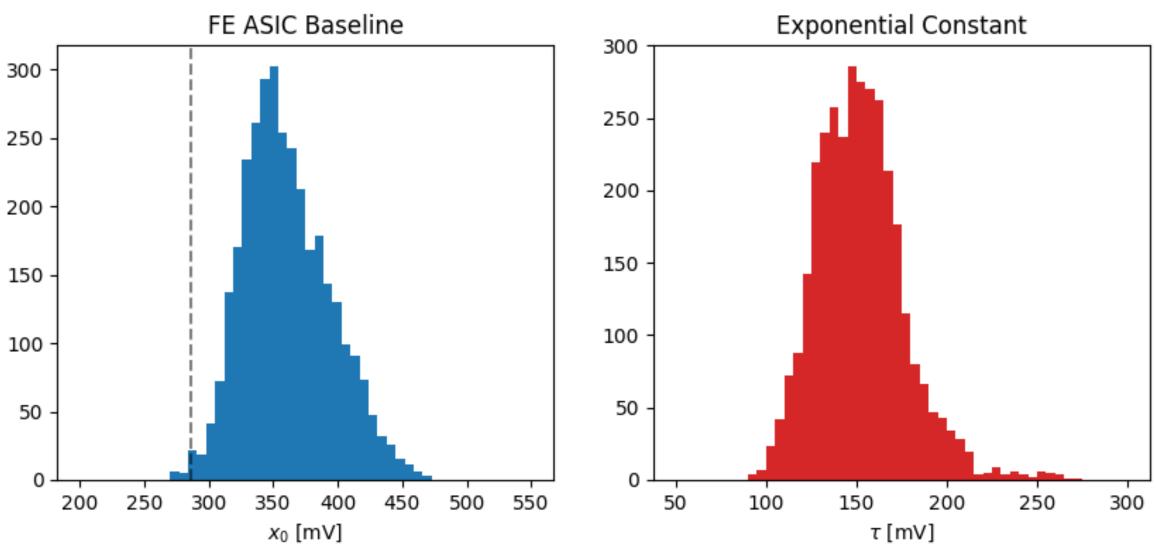


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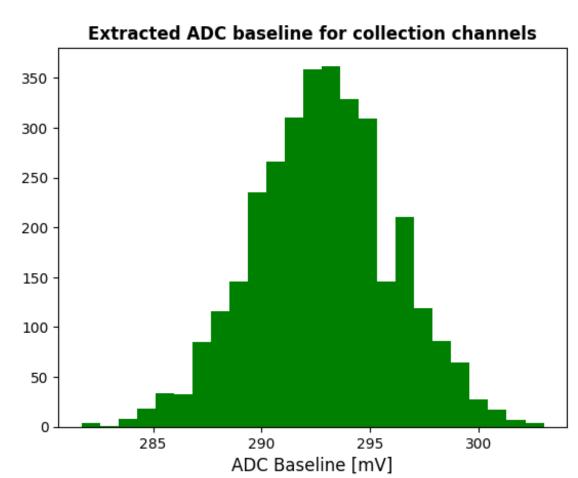
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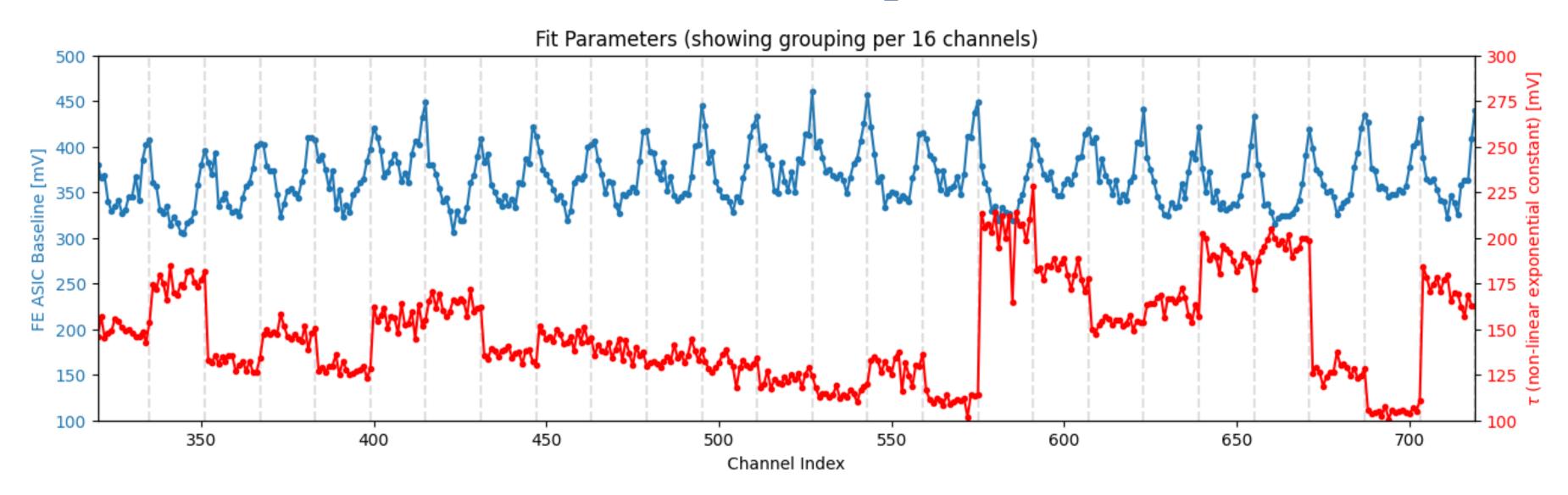
Piecewise Fit Parameters for all Collection Plane Channels



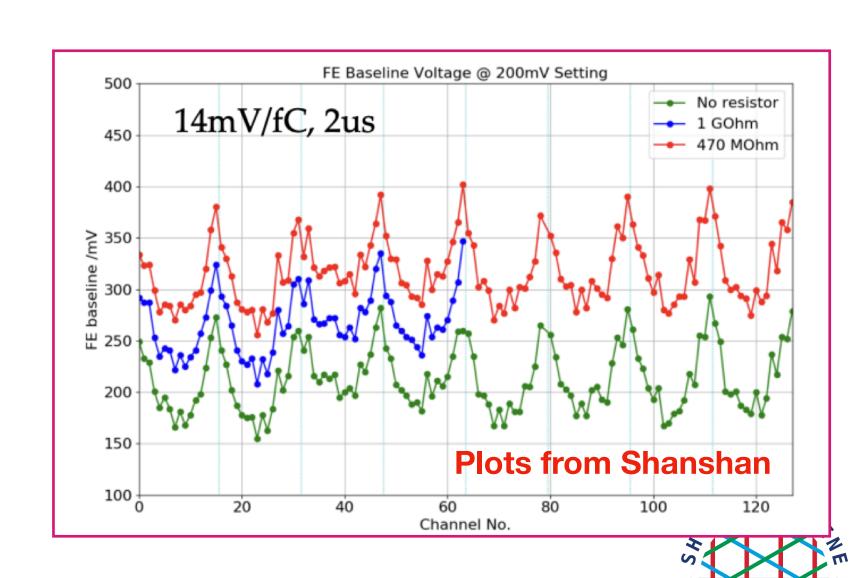
- fit error is <5% for τ , and <1% for x_0
- note: ADC baseline and FE ASIC baseline are different! currently simulated baseline is 286 mV
 - ADC baseline is very stable (only ~15 mV variation across channels), whereas FE ASIC baseline varies ~150 mV



Non-Linear/Saturation Fit performance



- baseline has expected shape/grouping across a single FEMB (16 channels), matches plots from Shanshan
 - good sanity check!
- τ also has grouping across 16 channels



Implementation in WCT

- new Digitizer module in WCT, called DigitizerNonLinear
 - given that the model + additions are relatively straightforward, may want to merge into the main Digitizer module after testing + validation
- given the current fit, need three parameters per collection plane channel; likely easiest to store in a new json file?
 - parameters are: V_{sat} , x_0 , and au

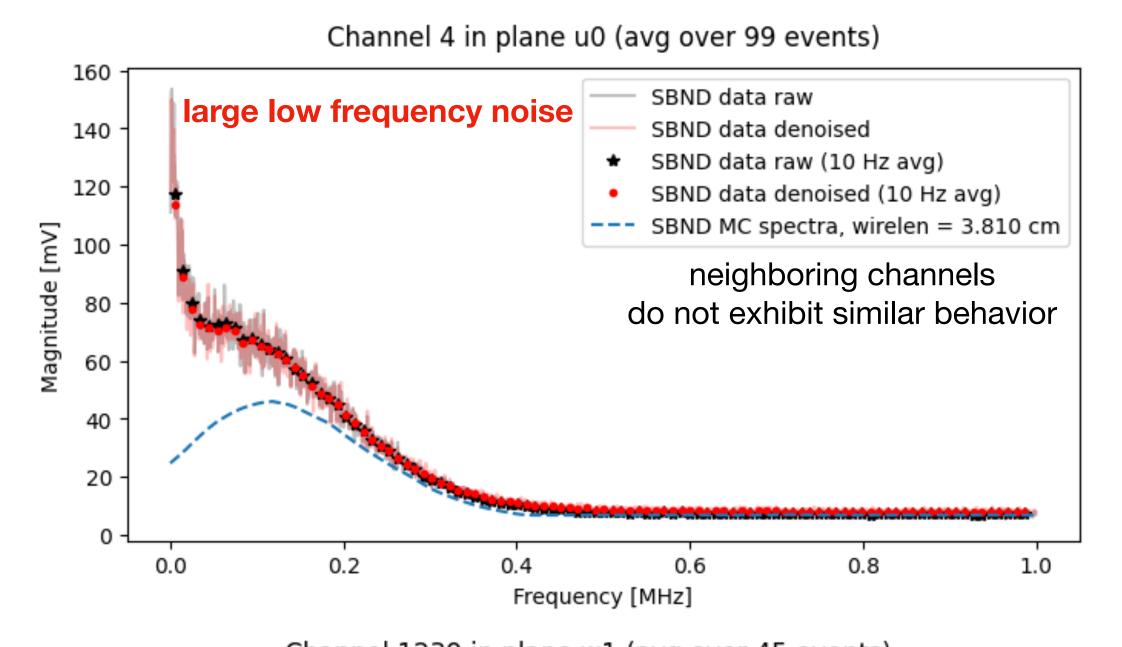


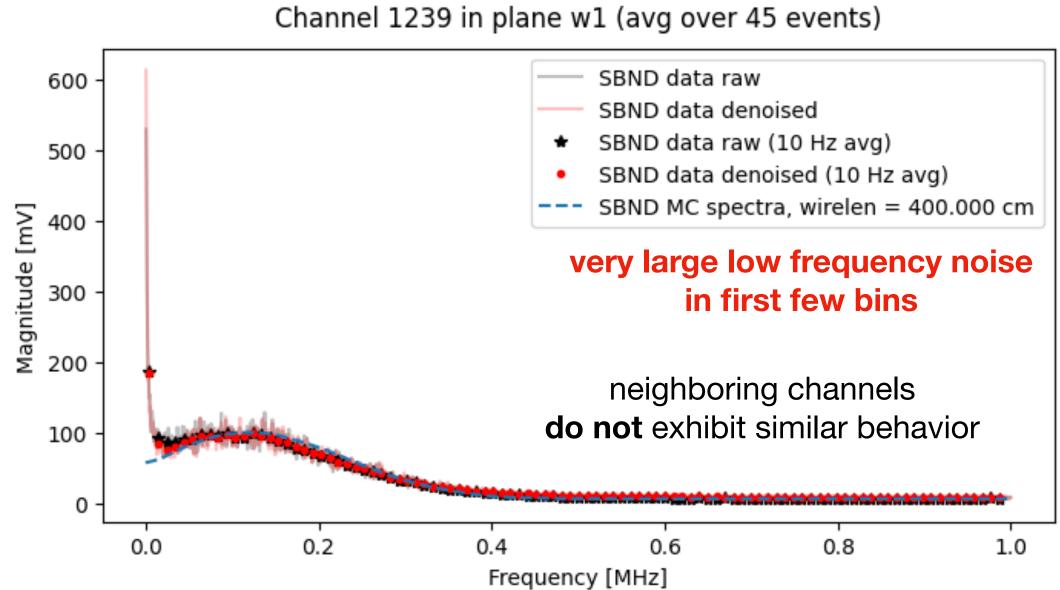
Saturation & Non-Linearity: Summary

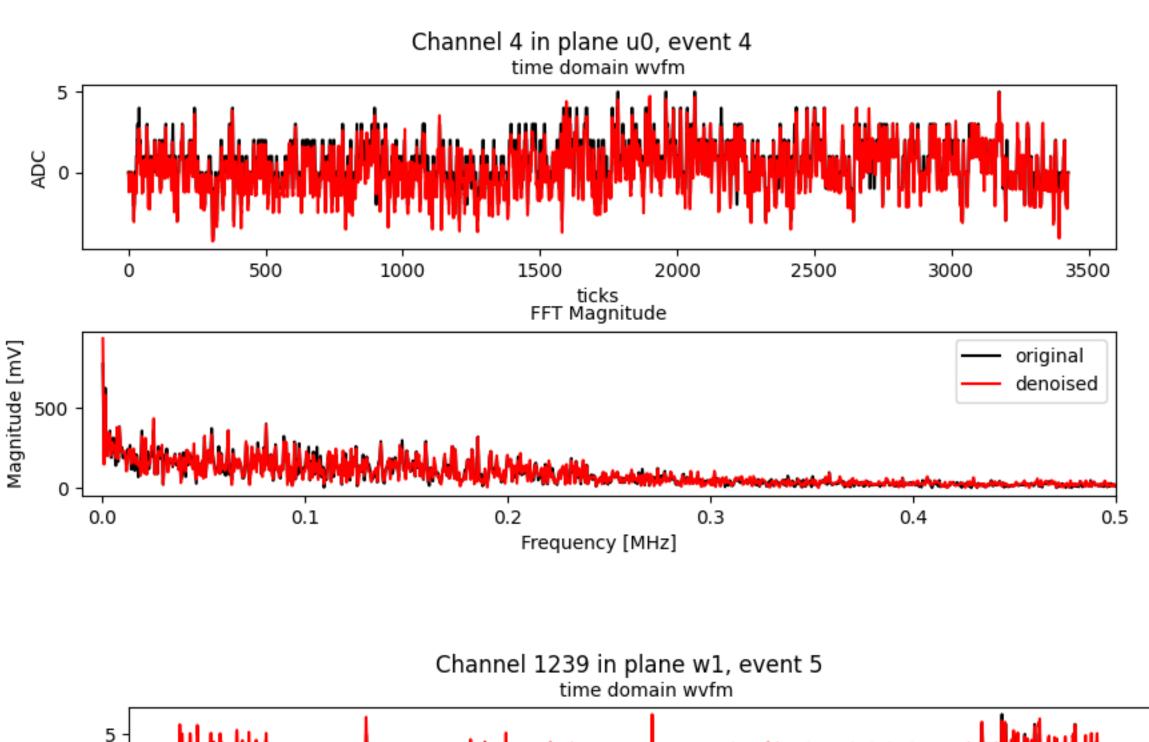
- designed a new model to describe non-linear response of the CE
- able to extract "true" baselines for collection plane channels in SBND, where we expected larger variations and an impact on our true dynamic range
- currently working on implementing the model in simulation in WCT

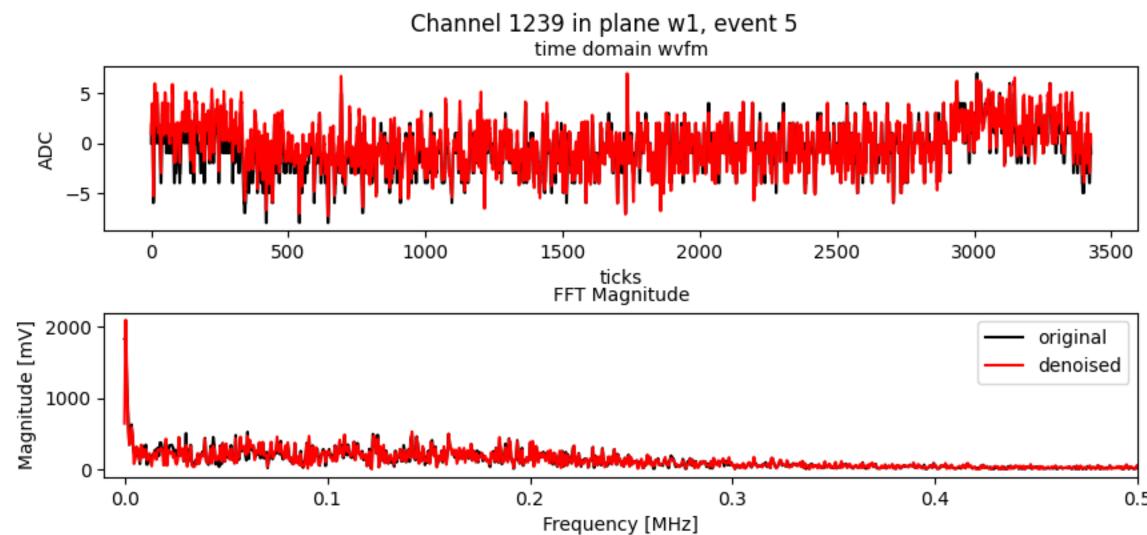


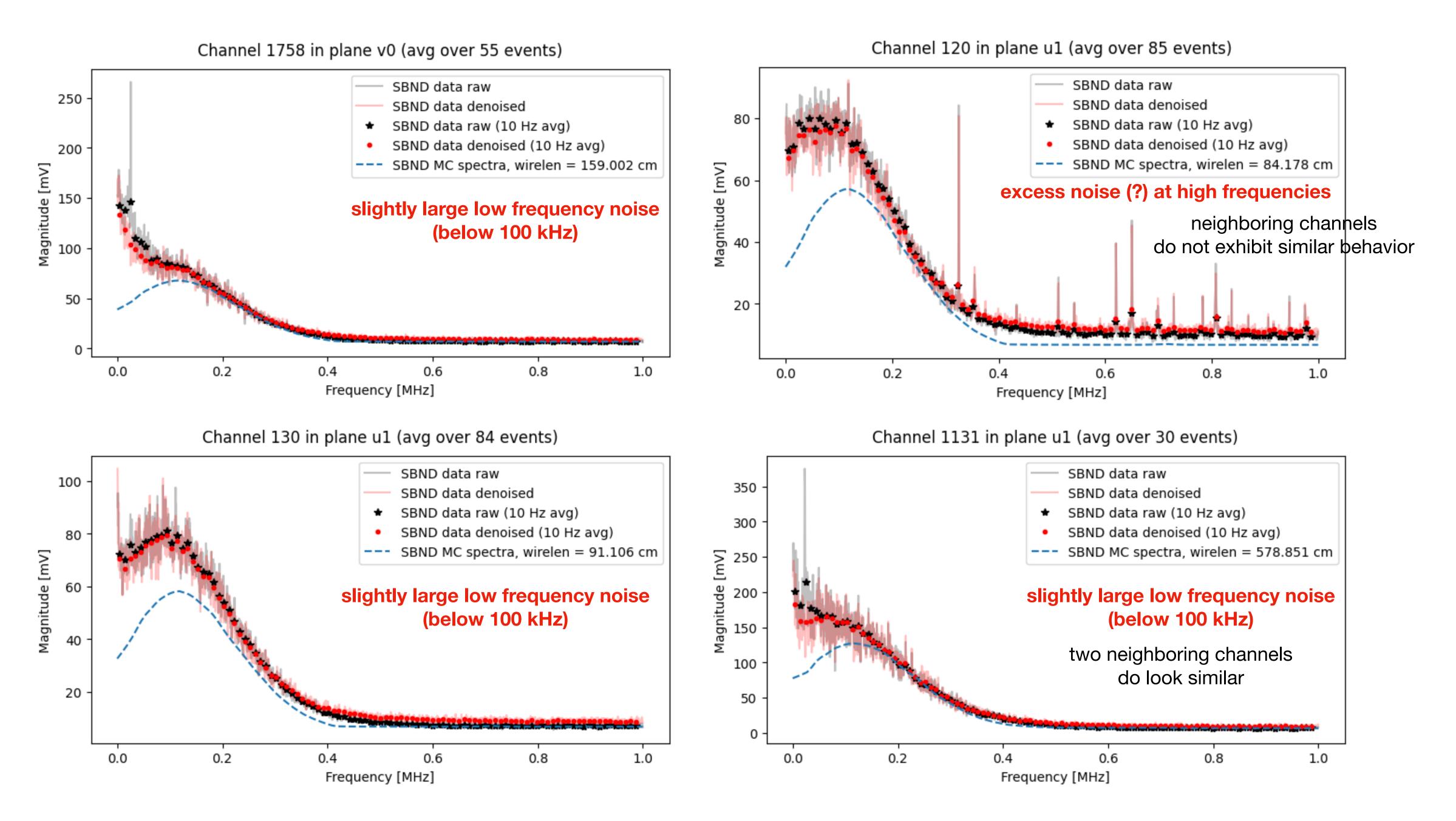
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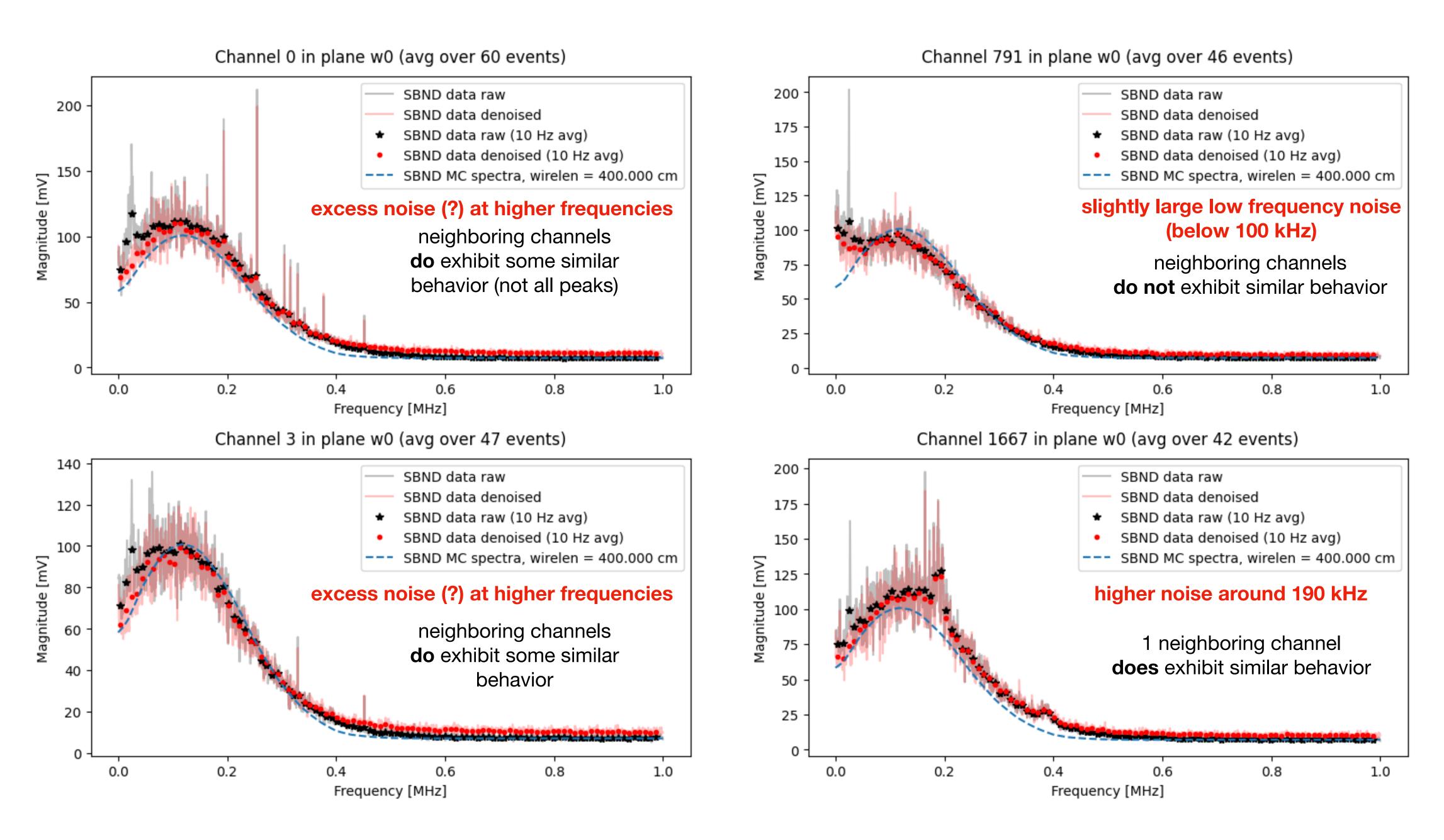




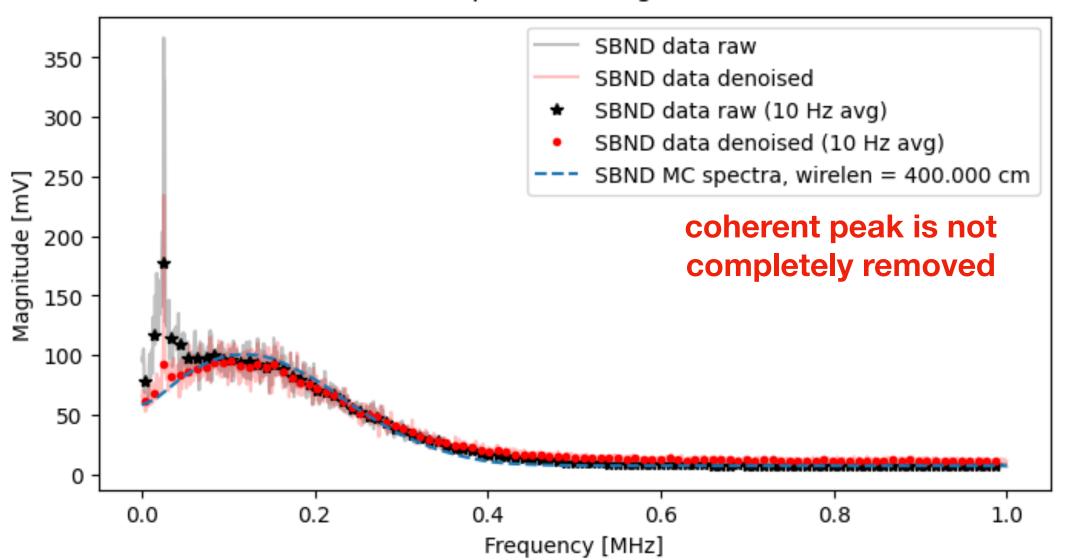






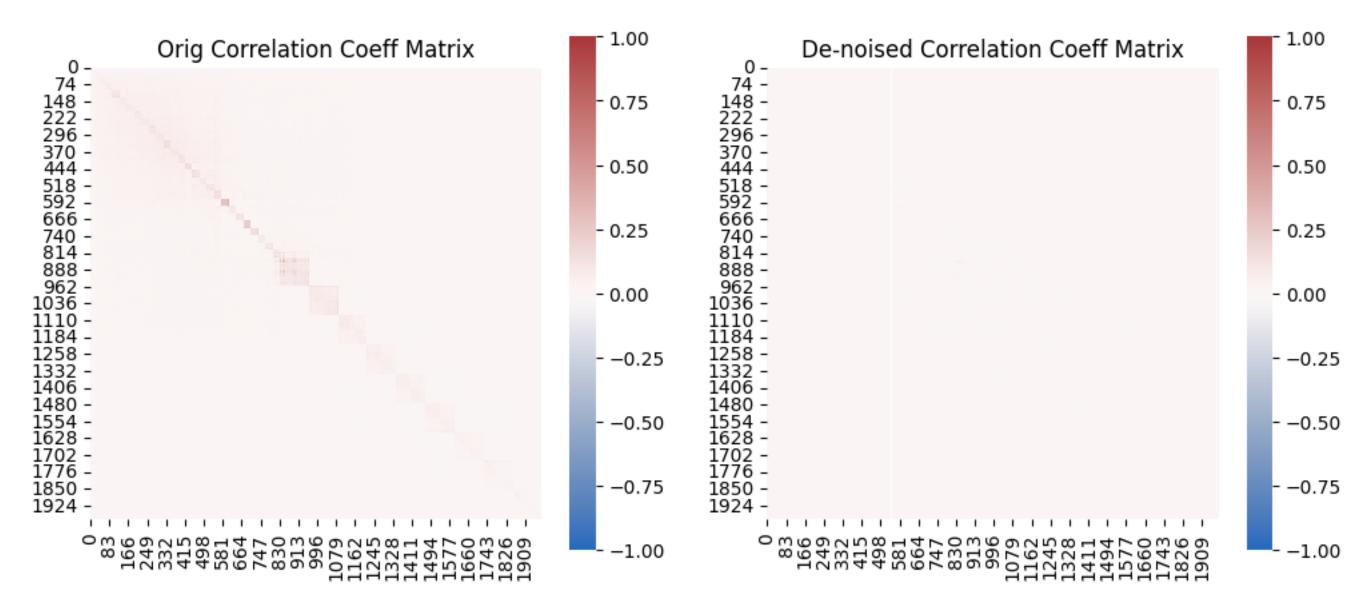


Channel 63 in plane w1 (avg over 51 events)

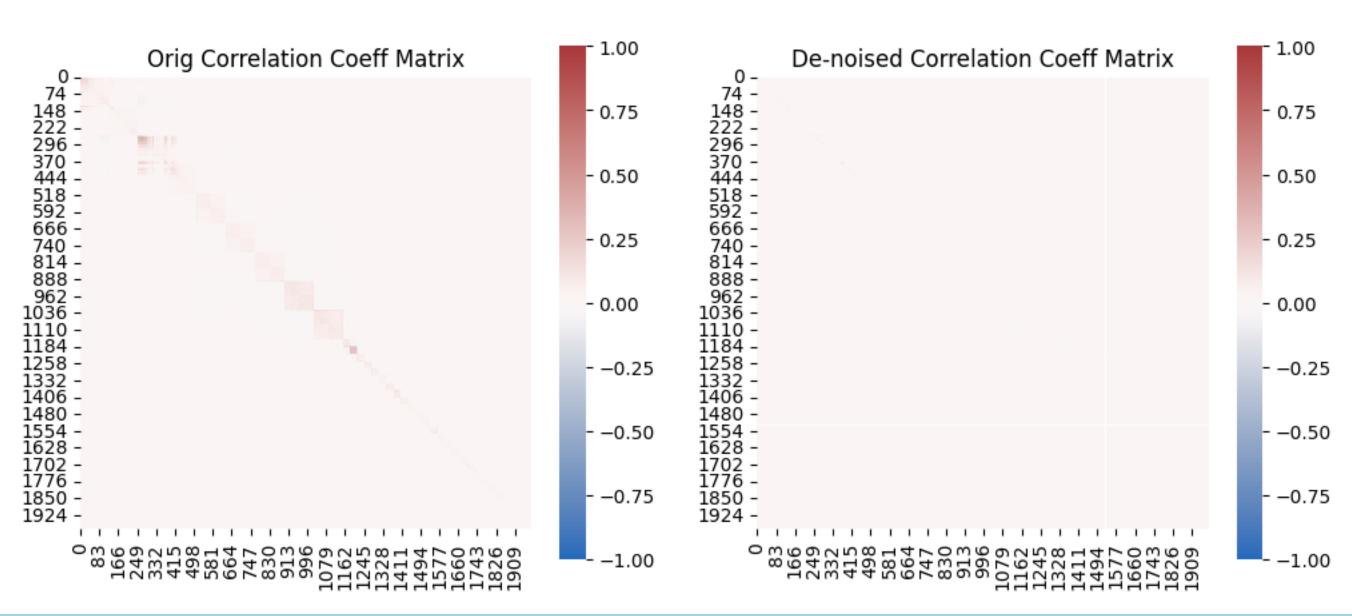


neighboring channels **do not** exhibit similar behavior

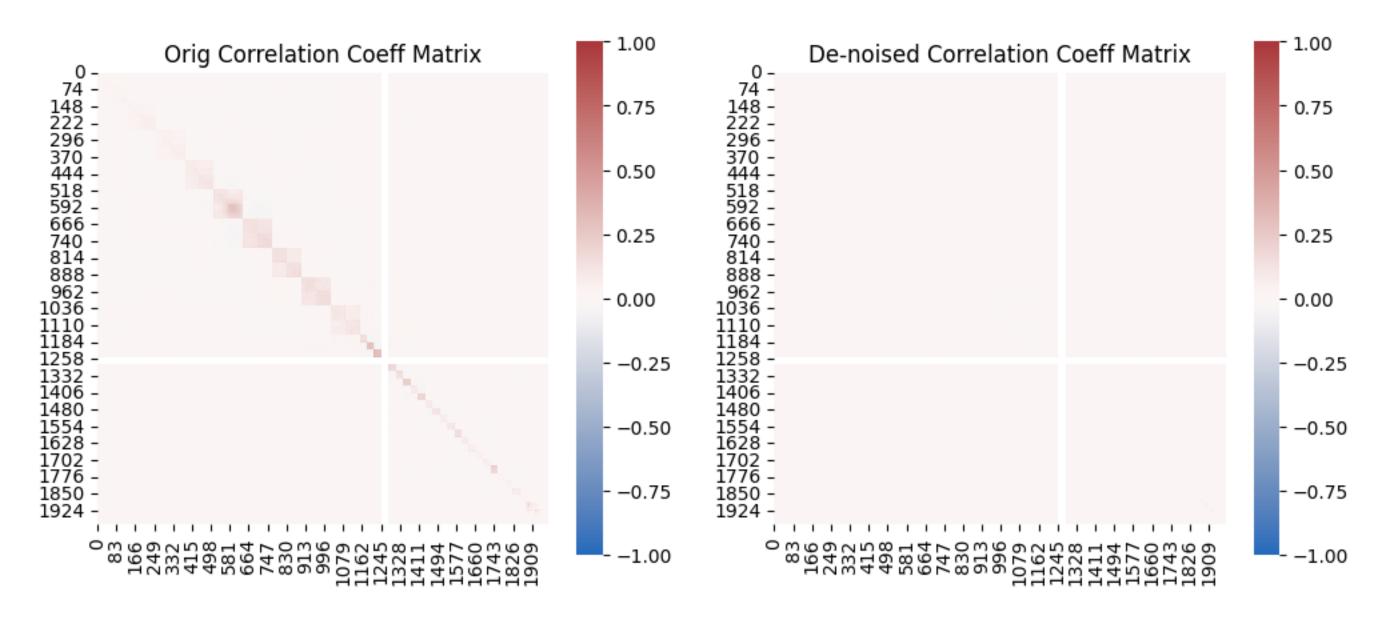
(neighboring channels have similar peak, but they all have it completely removed)



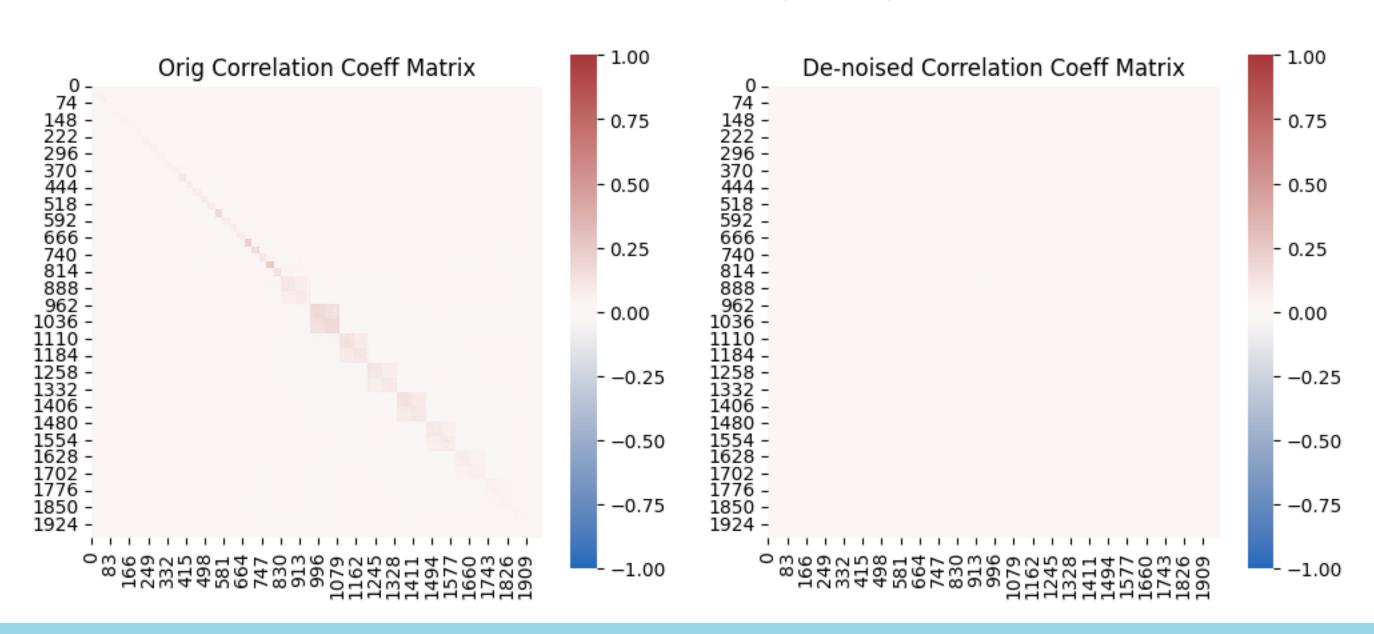
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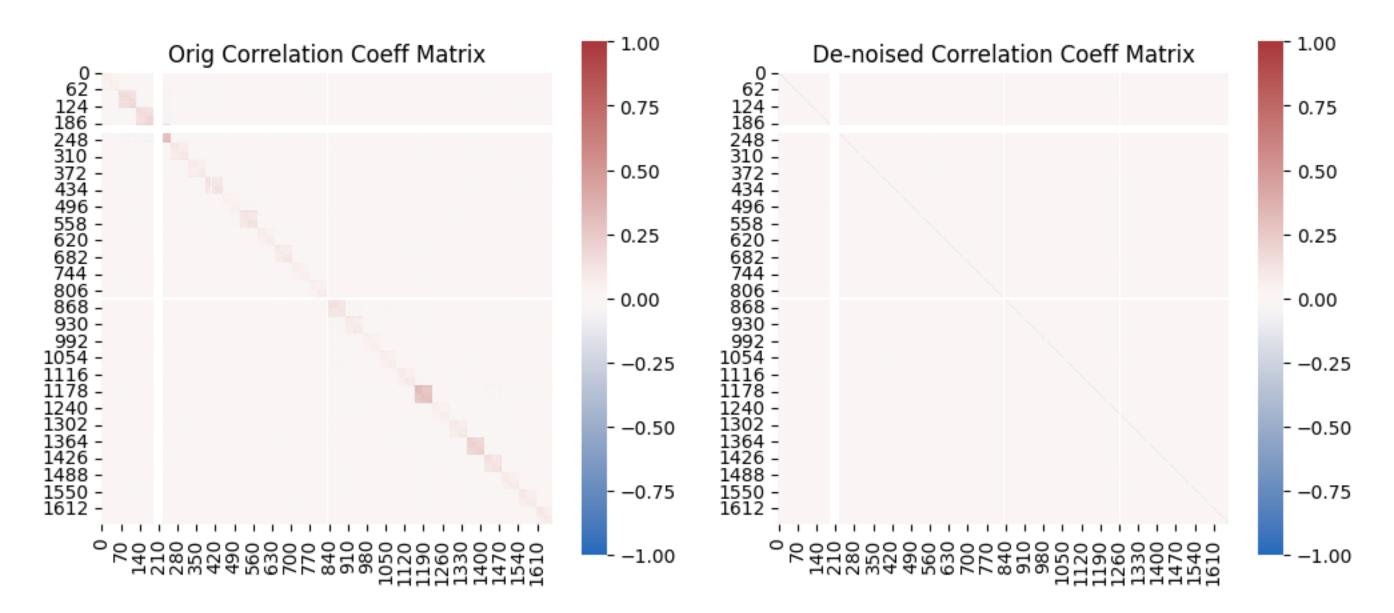
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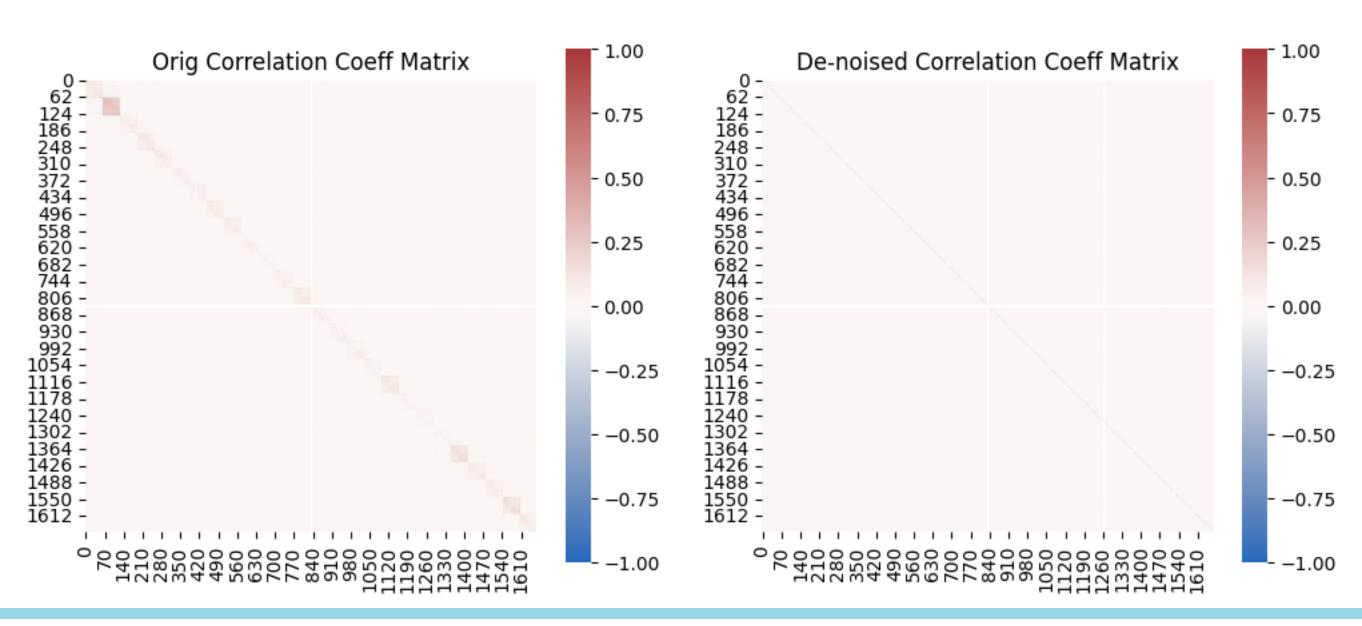




Correlation Coeff Matrices for plane w, tpc 0

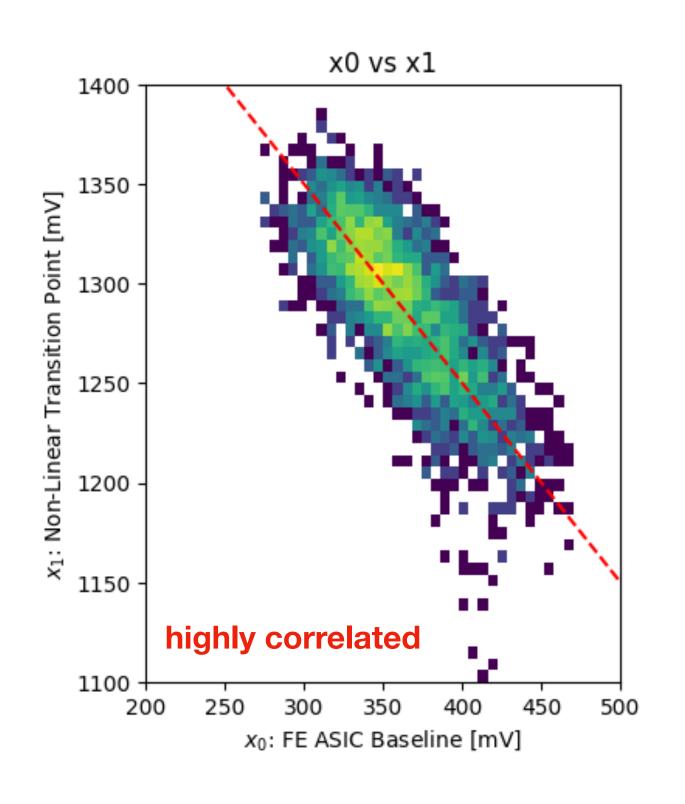


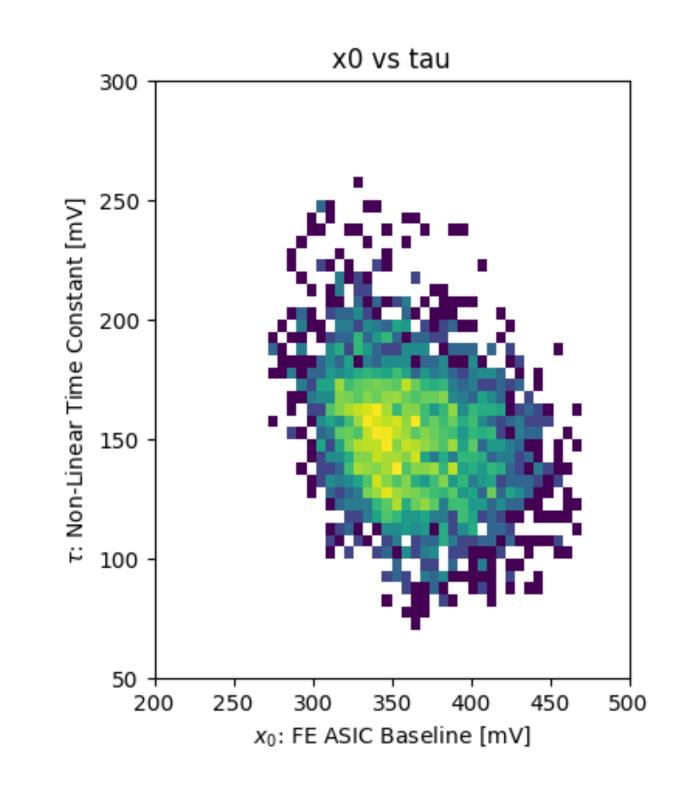
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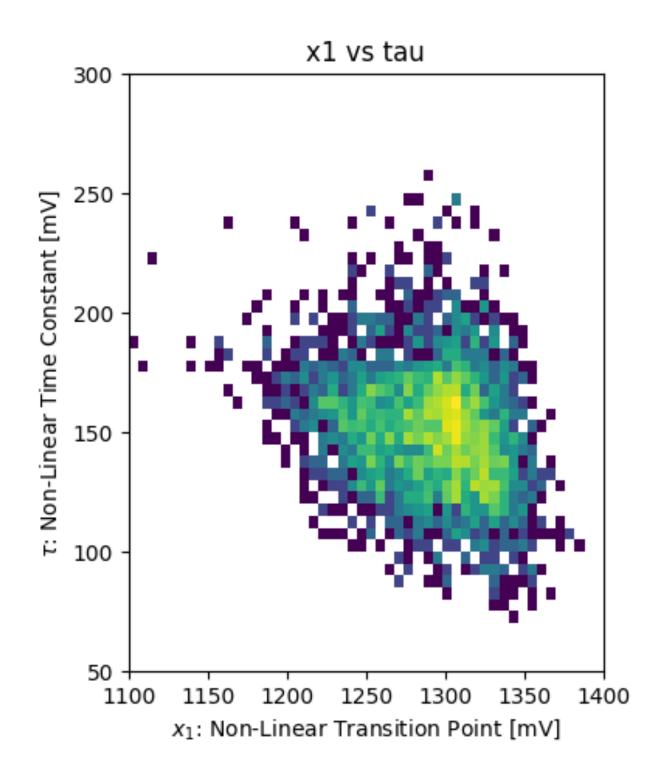




fit allowing 3 parameters to float







$$x_1 = 1650 - x_0$$