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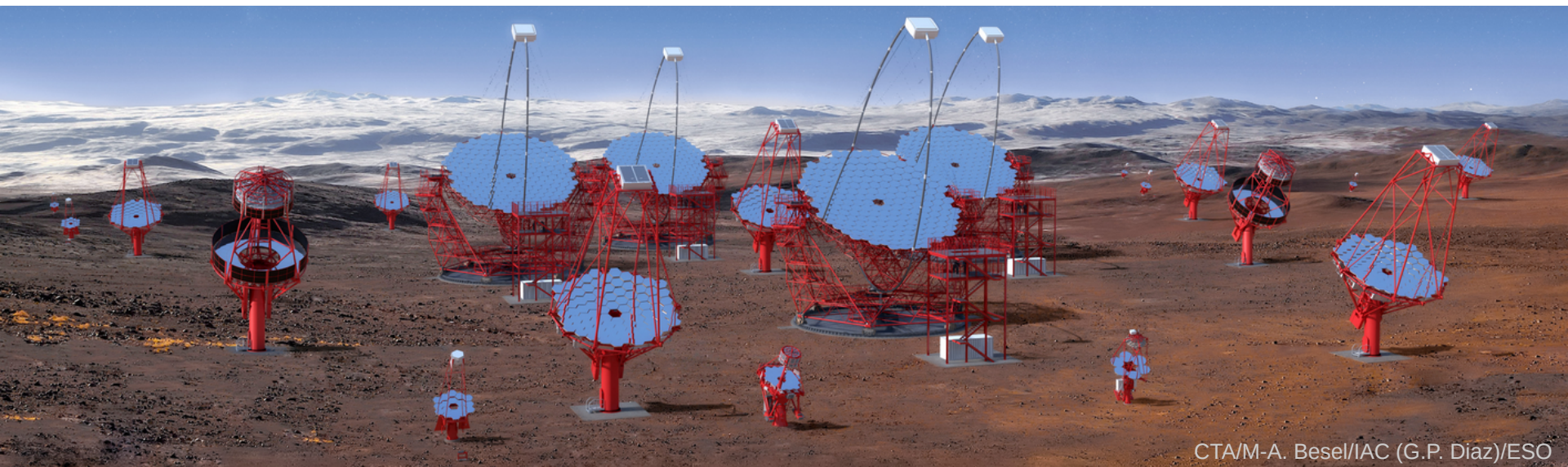
Étude de l'invariance de Lorentz par analyse combinée des rayons gamma de sources et d'observatoires inhomogènes pour la recherche de nouvelle physique

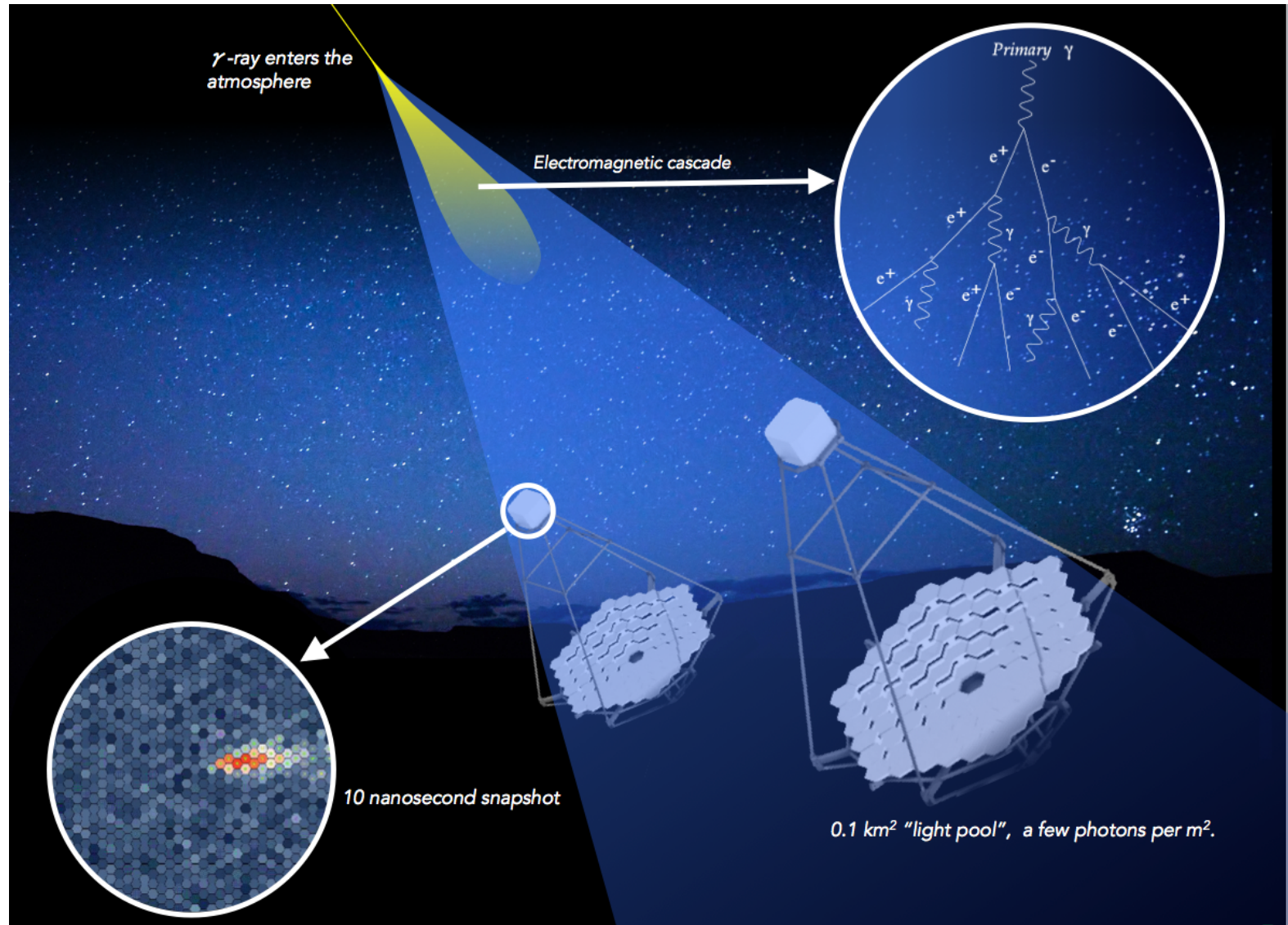
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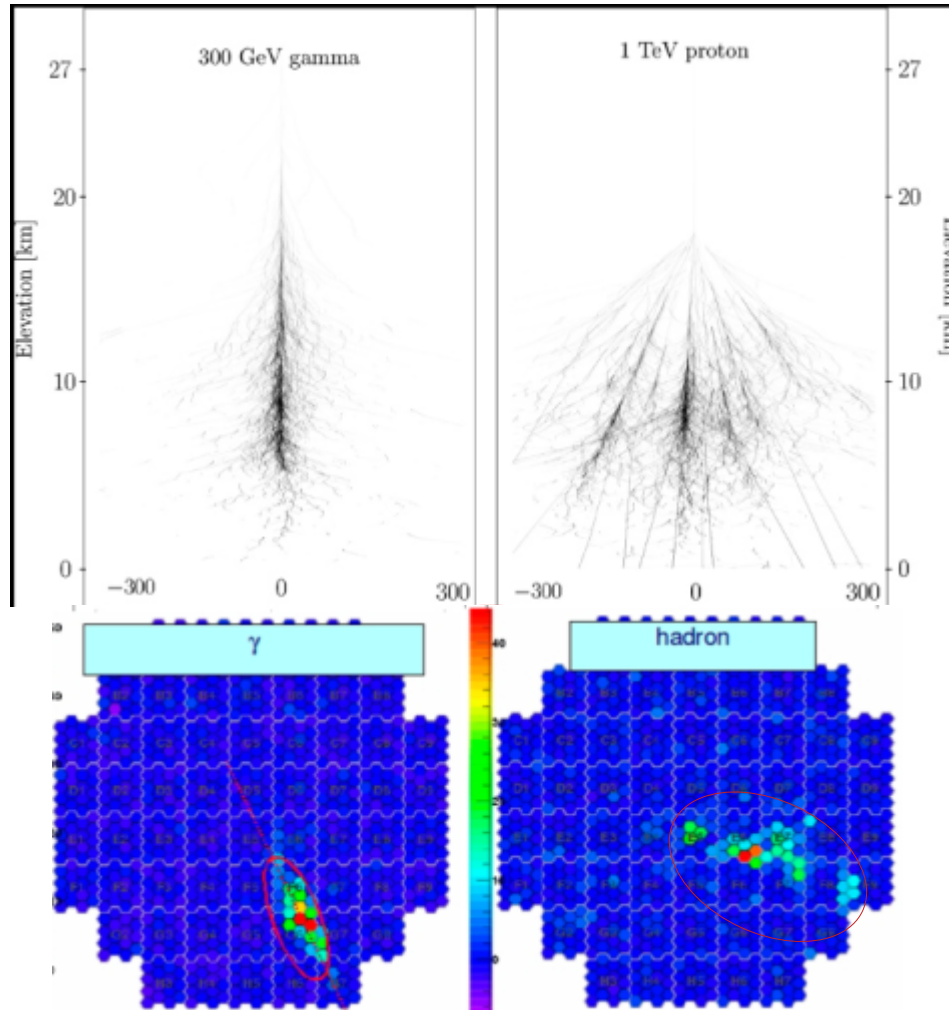
- Next generation of Cherenkov telescopes
- Tens of telescopes split into 2 geographic sites : North (La Palma, Spain) and South (Chile)
- 3 types of telescopes
- One telescope constructed so far : the Large-Sized Telescope-1 (LST-1)

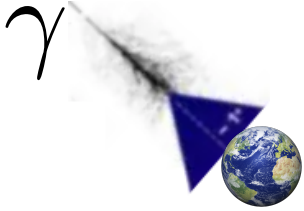




Gamma-ray

Hadron (proton)





Cherenkov light



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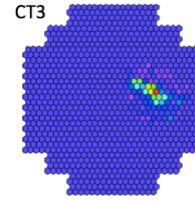




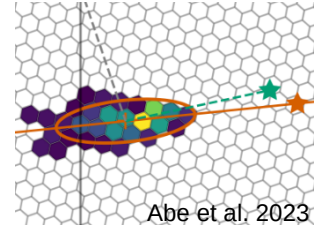
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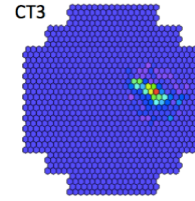
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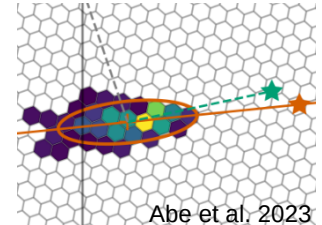
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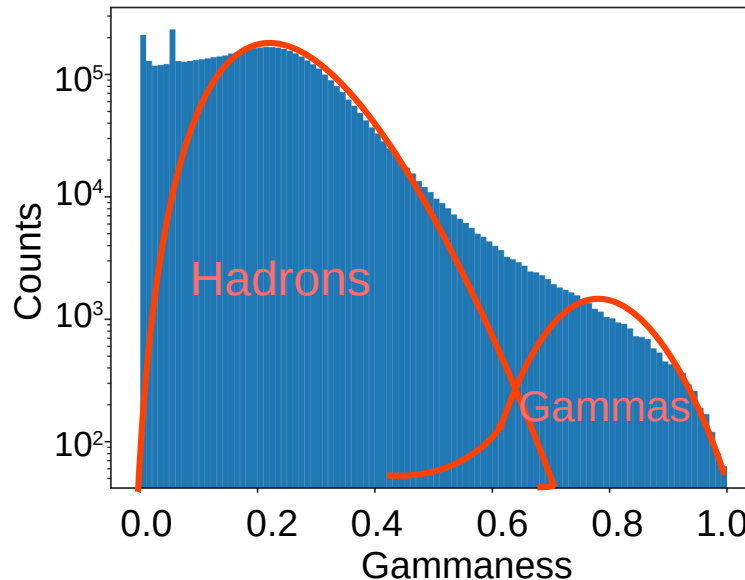
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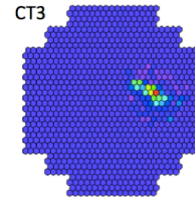
Gammaness
score indicating how
likely the primary event
is a gamma ray



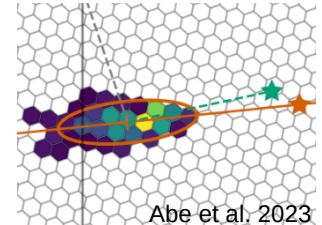
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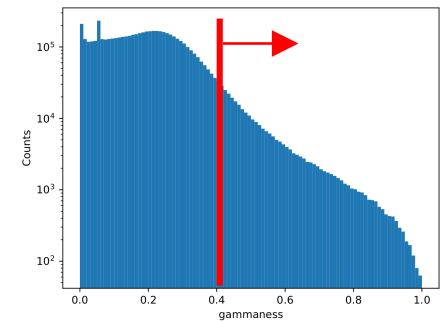
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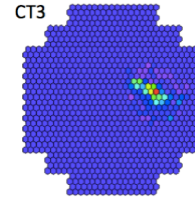
Selection (cuts) +
Instrumental response
functions
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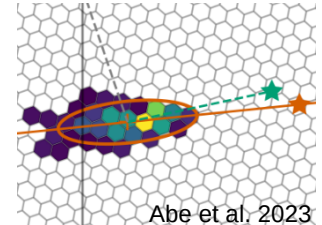
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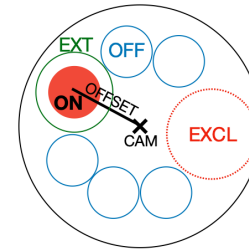
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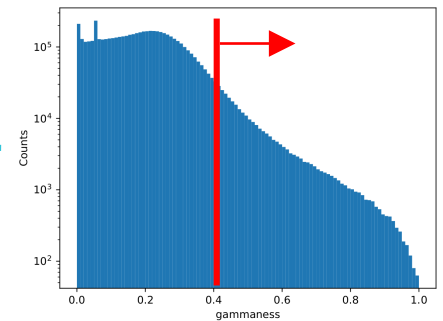
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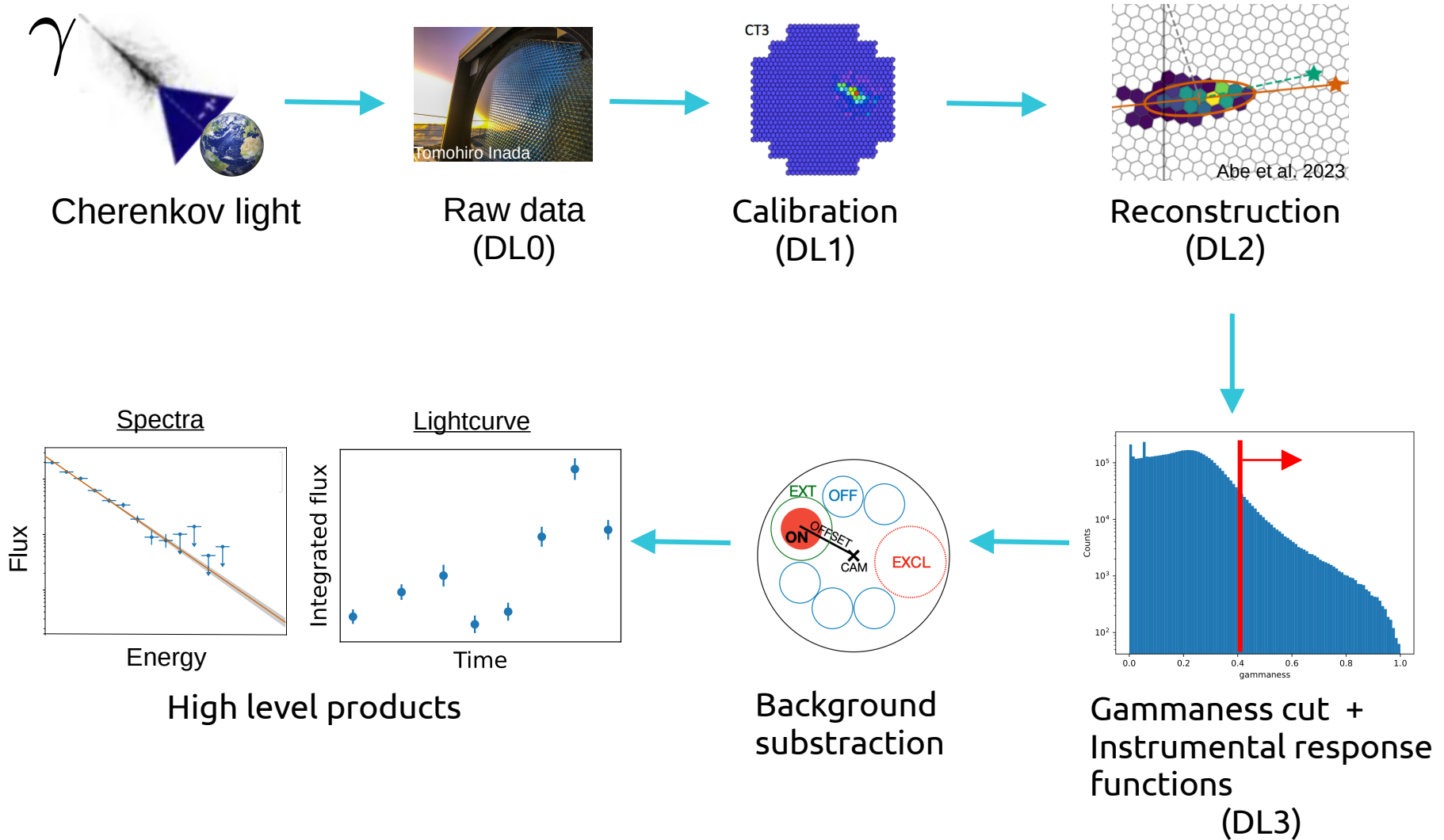
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Background
subtraction



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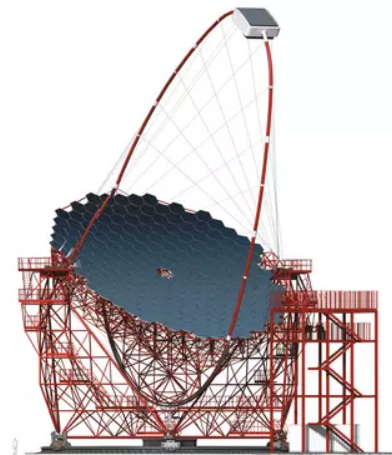


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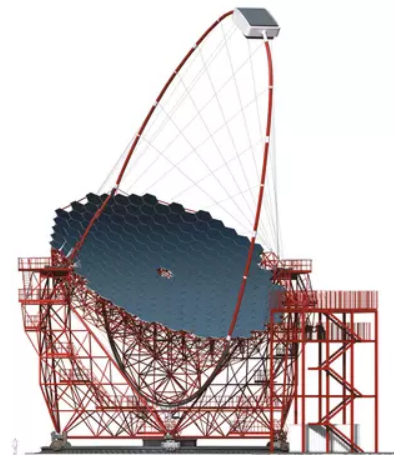
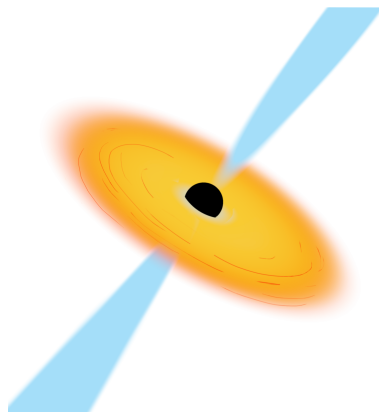


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- Unification of general relativity and quantum field theory

Difficulties at Planck scale $E_P \sim 10^{19} \text{GeV}$

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- Some quantum gravity theories allow a violation of Lorentz invariance

—→ may be observable

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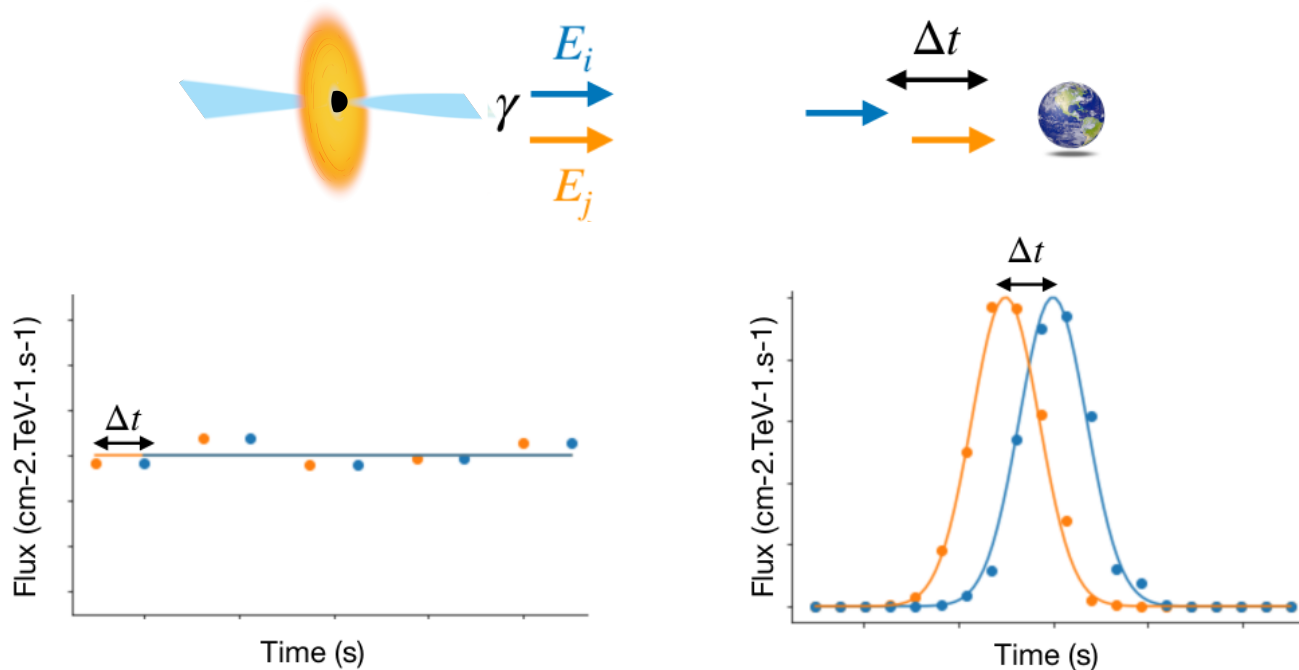
- Measurement of
$$\lambda_n = \frac{\Delta t_n}{\Delta E_n \kappa_n(z)} = \pm \frac{n+1}{2H_0 E_{QG}^n}$$

Search for $E_{QG,lim}^n$ for $n = 1$

- Large range of energy
- Cosmological distance
- Highly variable and active source

$$\Delta t = \pm \frac{n+1}{2} \frac{\Delta E^n}{E_{QG}^n} \times \kappa_n(z)$$

→ Blazars, gamma-ray bursts, pulsars



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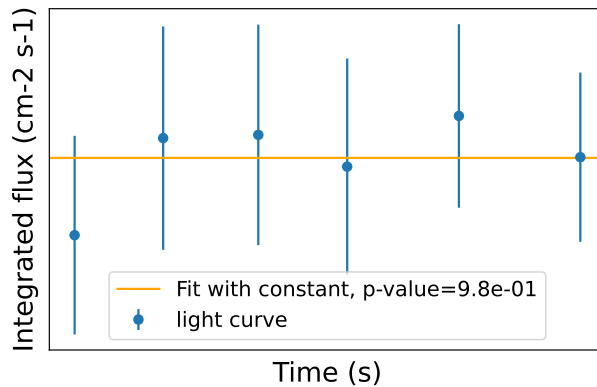
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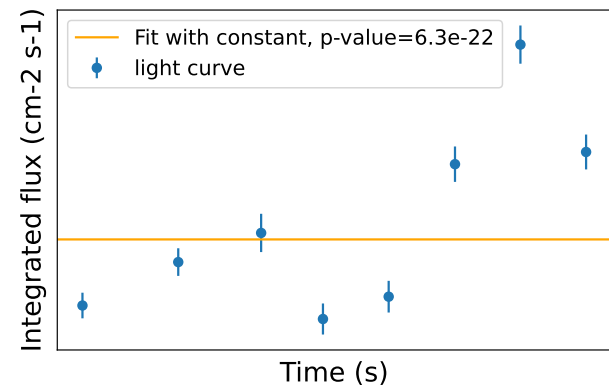
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Non-variable sample



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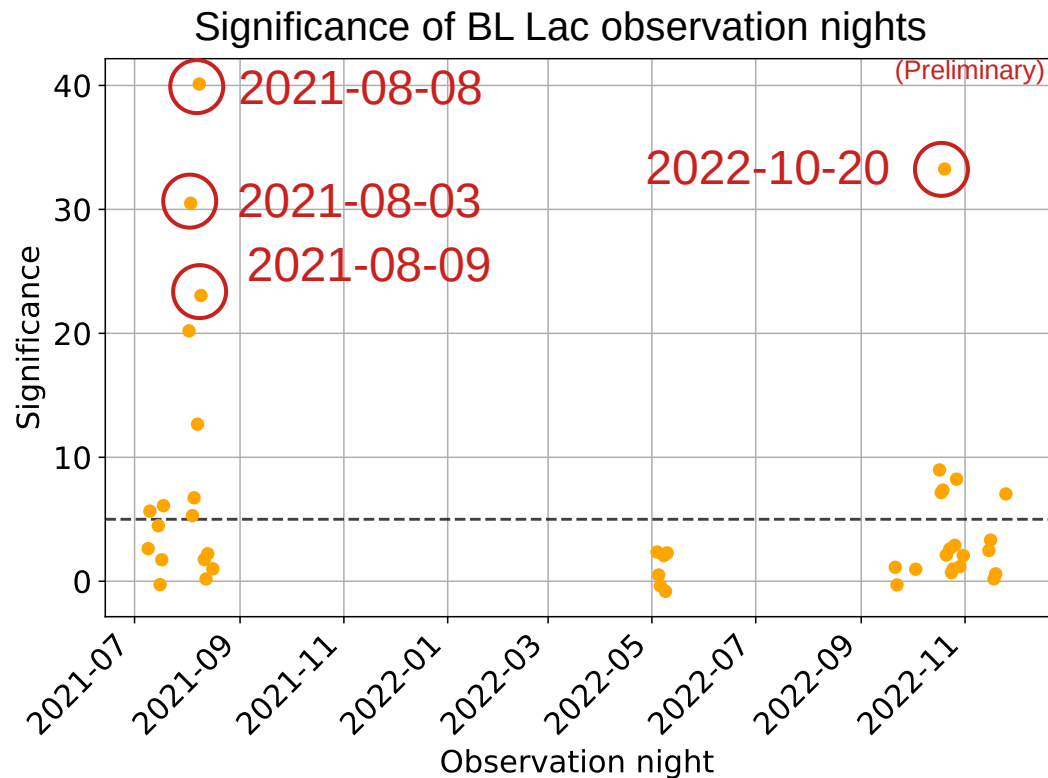
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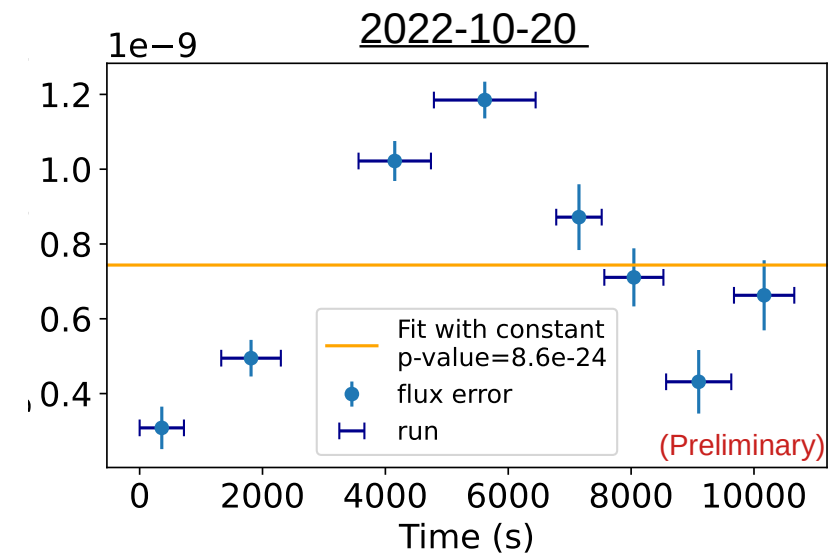
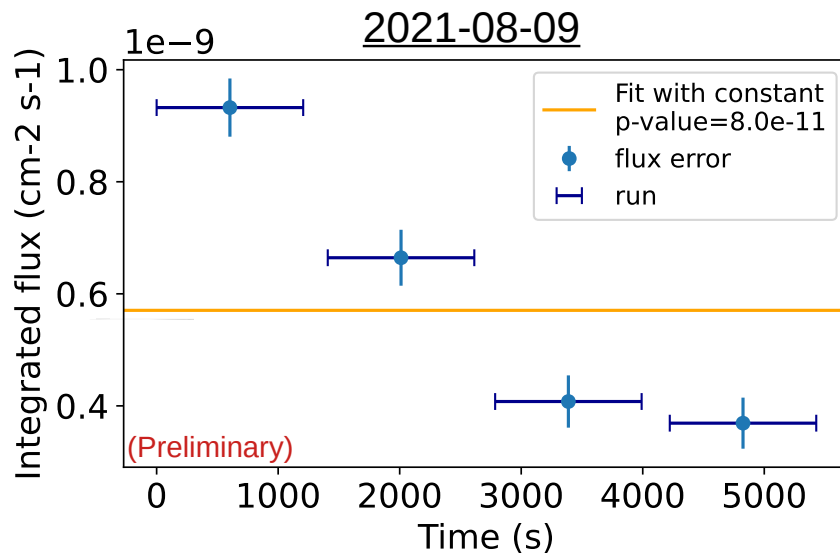
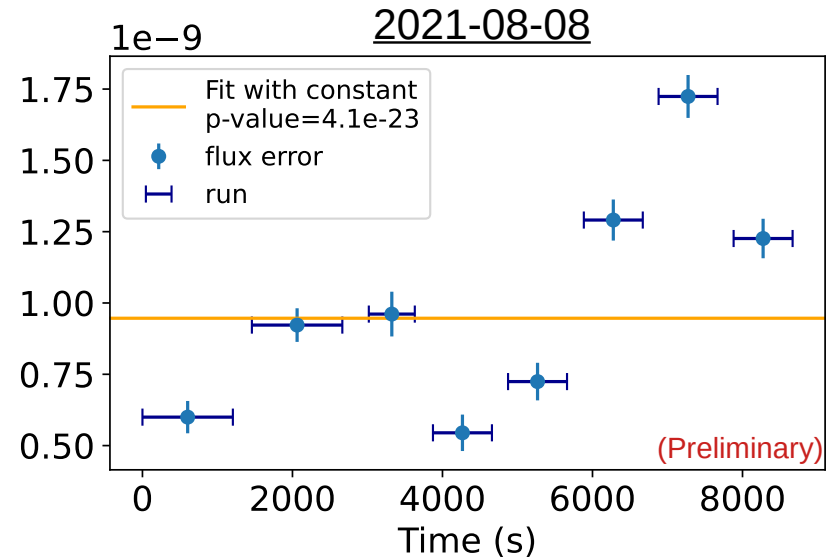
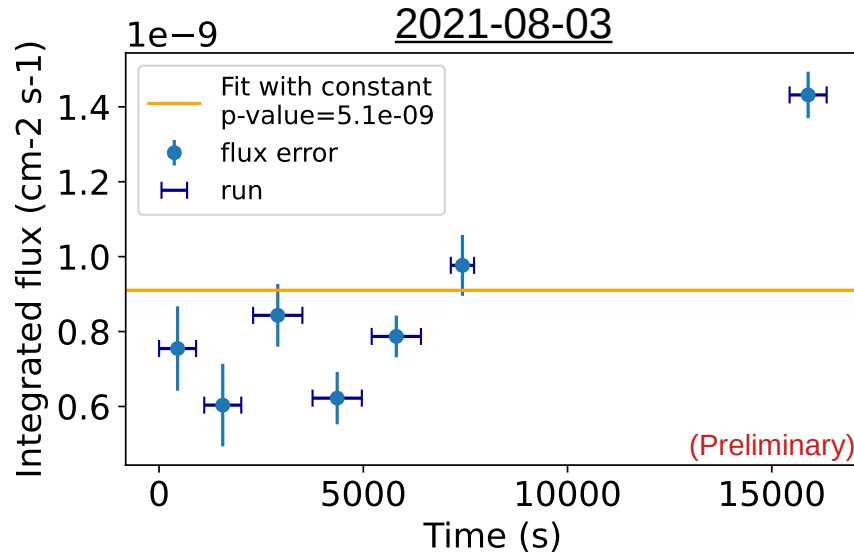


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Found 1 variable source : BL Lacertae, redshift 0.069 with 4 variable nights

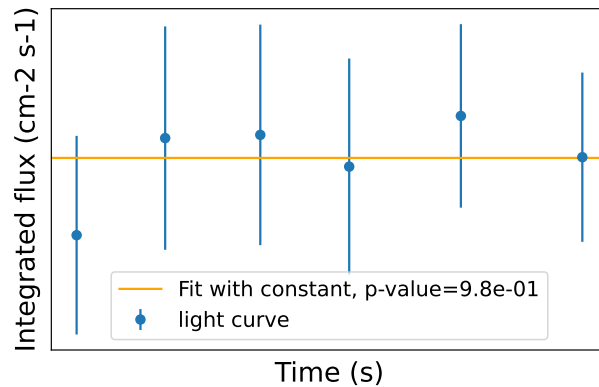




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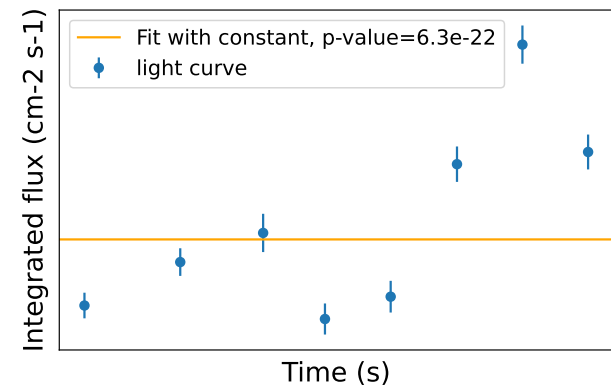
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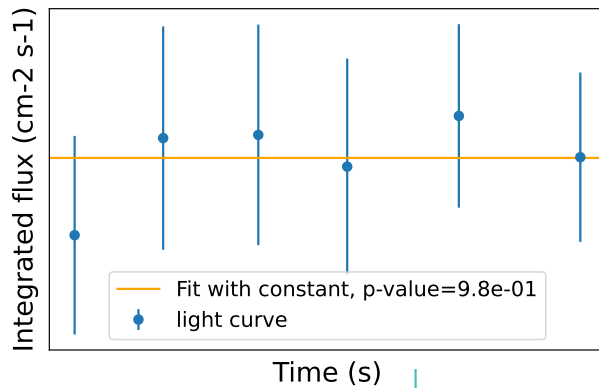
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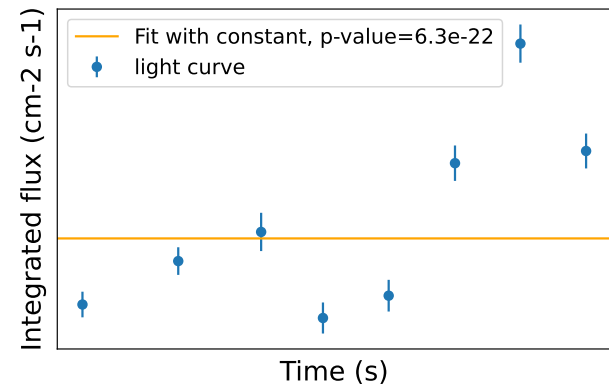
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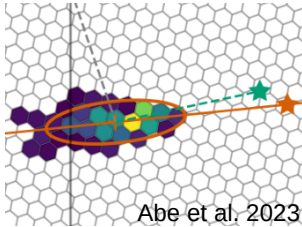
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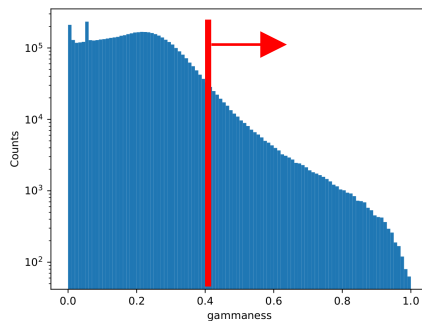
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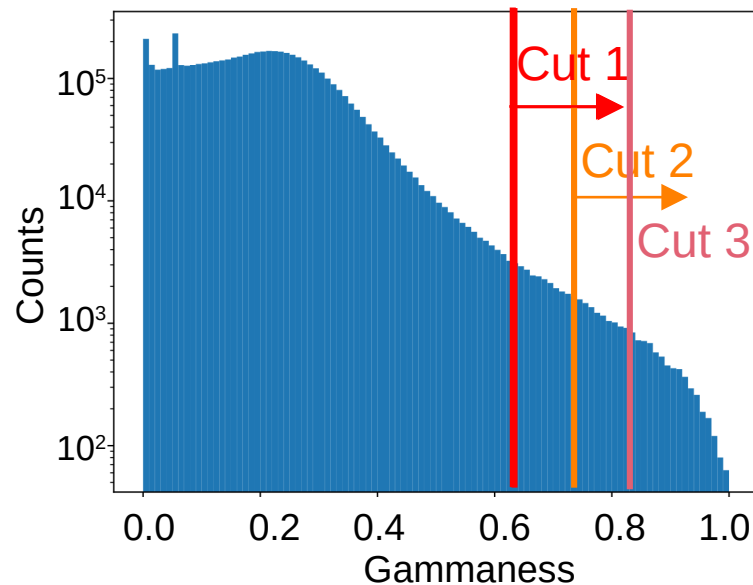
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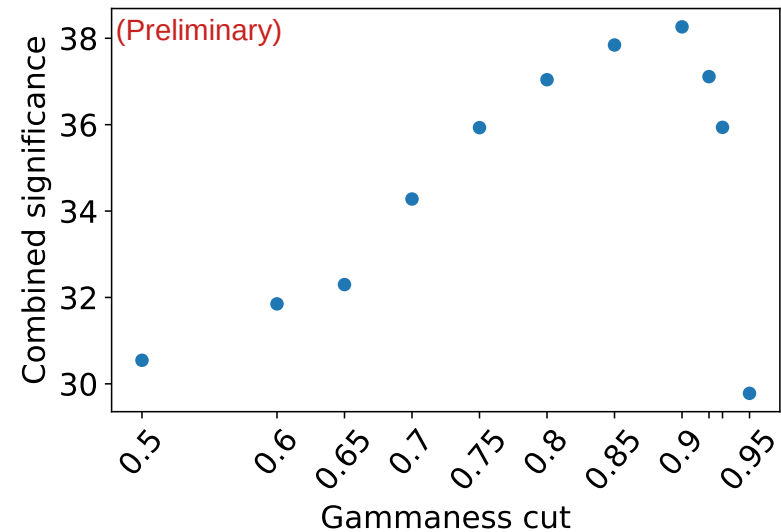
Gammaness cut
(DL3)

Non-variable sample

Select different gammaness cuts and search for the significance



BL Lac

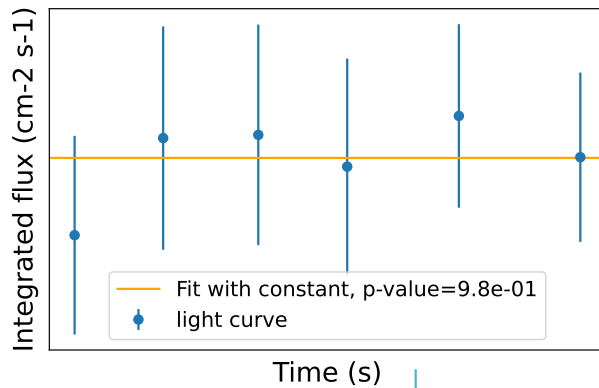


$$S_{cut} = \sqrt{\sum_{non-var\ night} S_n^2}$$

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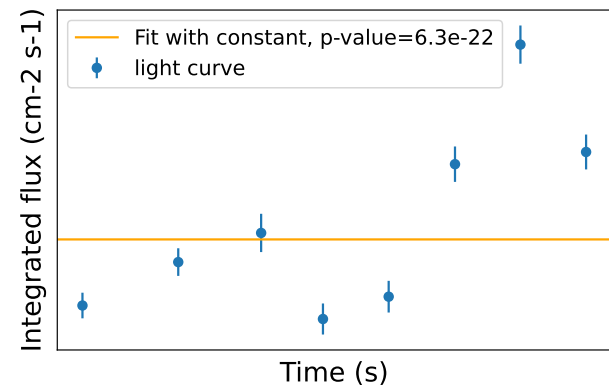
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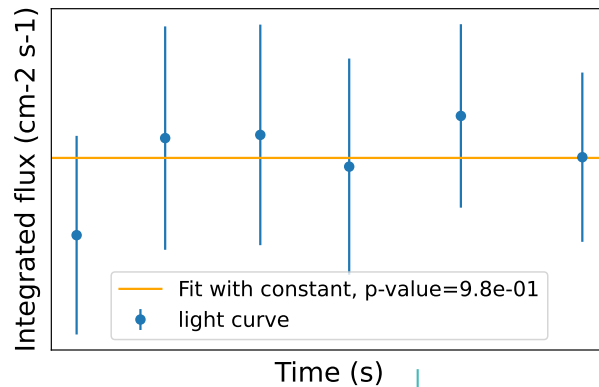
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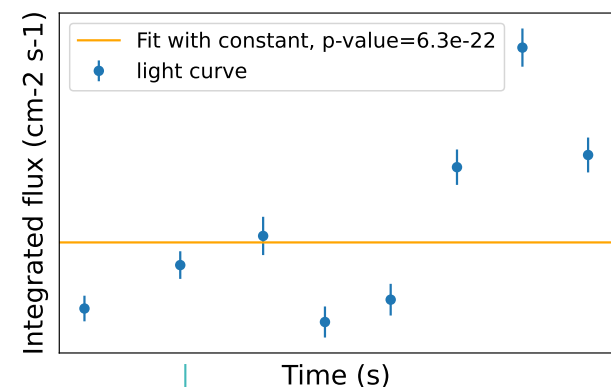
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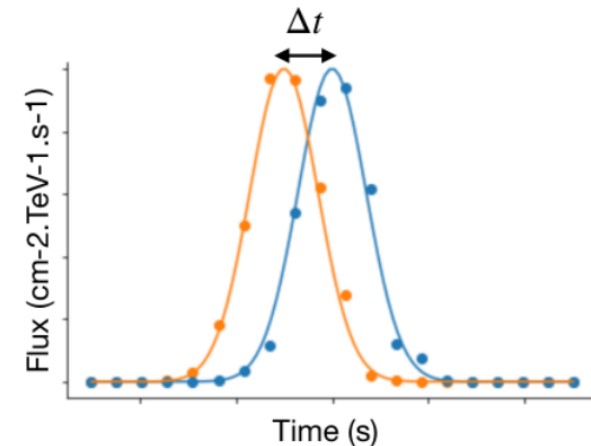
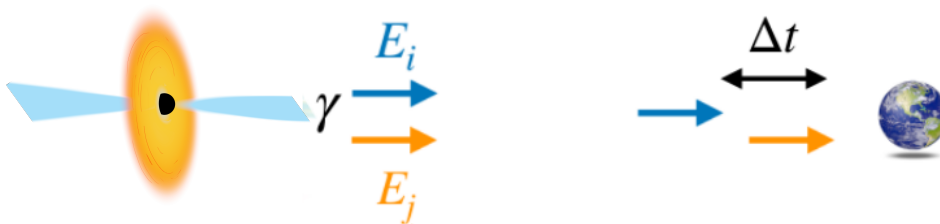


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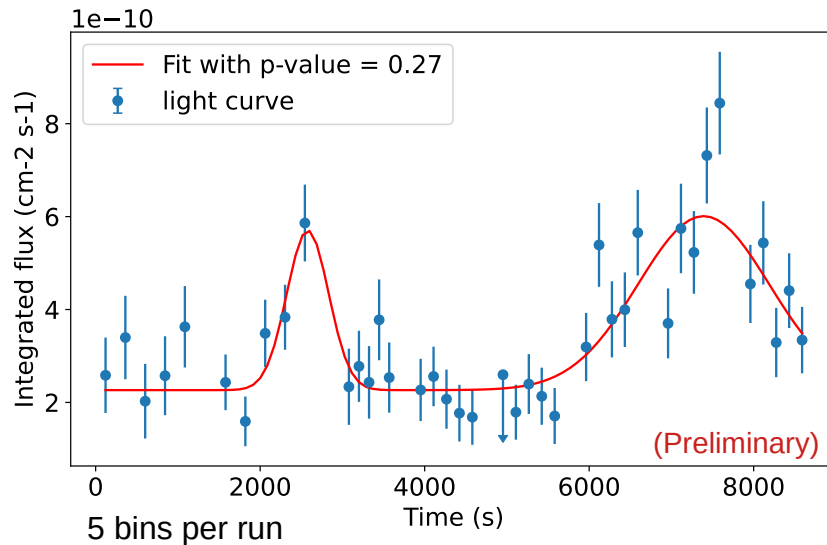


- Define two energy bins : **lower** and **higher** than median of counts
- Find a parametric model for the lightcurve of the low energies sample : selected if p-value > 0.05 (2σ)
- No significant disagreement between low and high energies
- No significant time-variation of spectra (flux vs energy) parameters

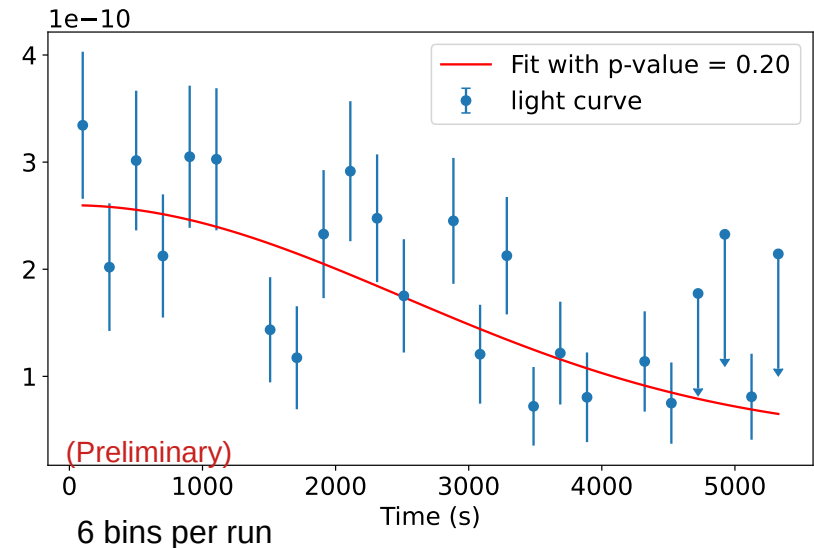


Parametric models of the low energies variability

BL Lac 2021-08-08



BL Lac 2021-08-09



$$f(t) = A_1 e^{-\frac{(t-\mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2}} + A_2 e^{-\frac{(t-\mu_2)^2}{2\sigma_1^2}} + C_0$$

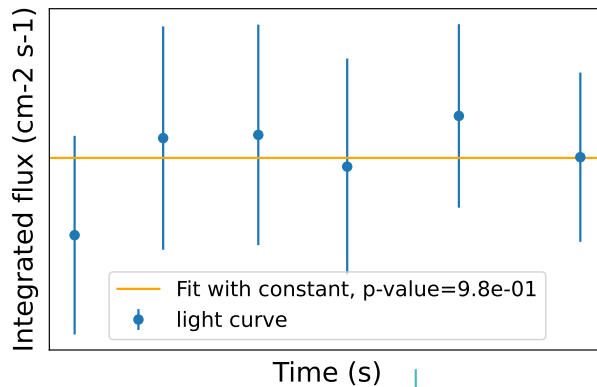
$$g(t) = A e^{-\frac{(t-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} + C$$

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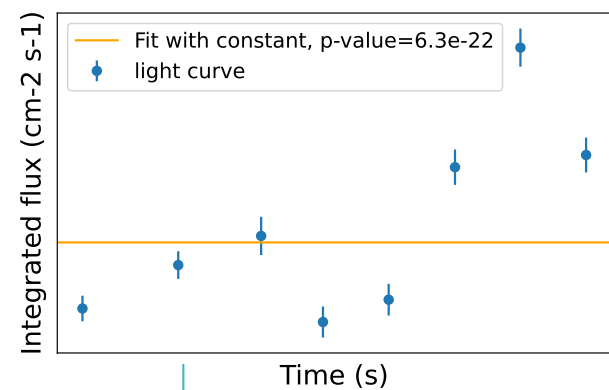
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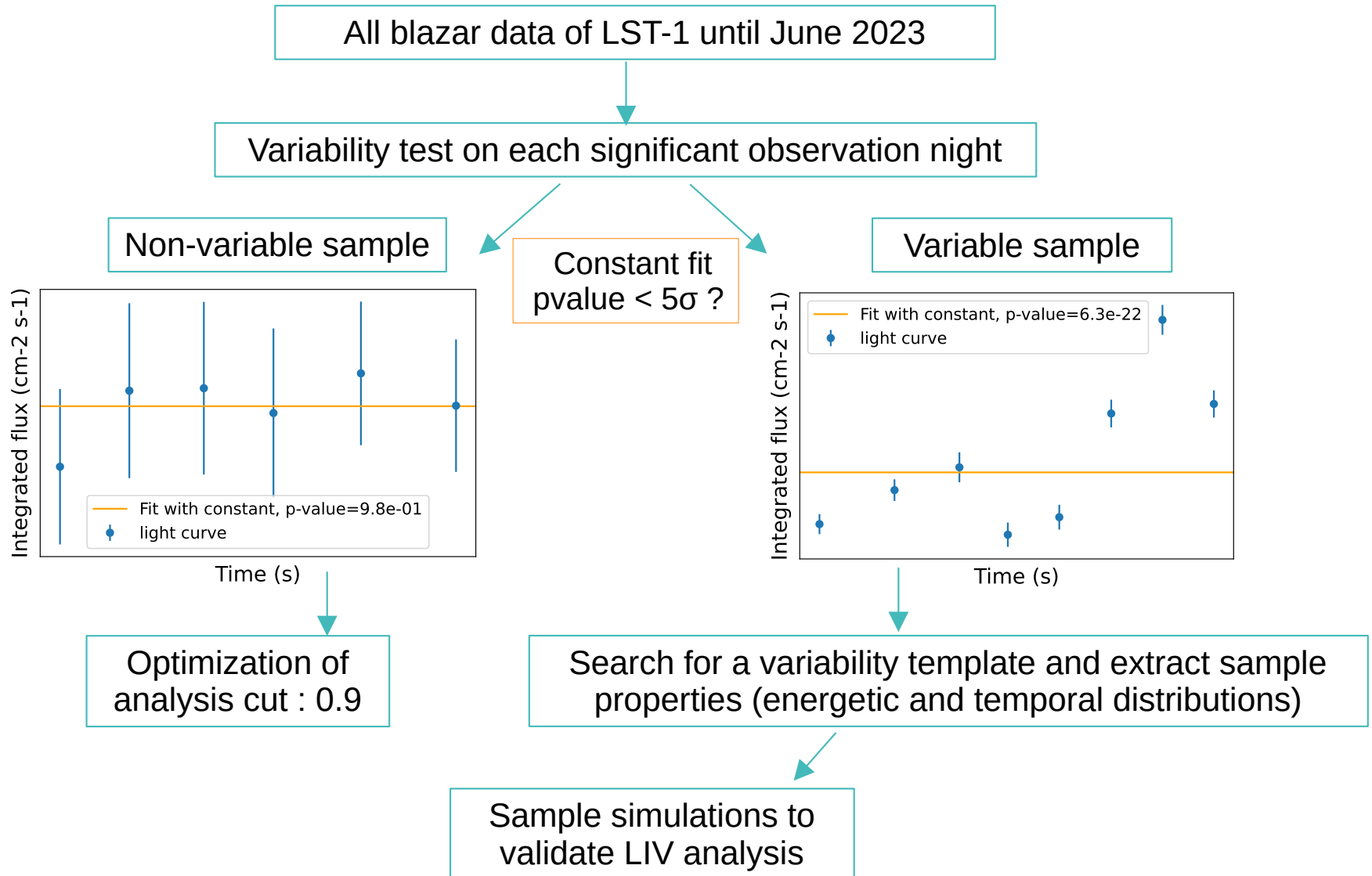
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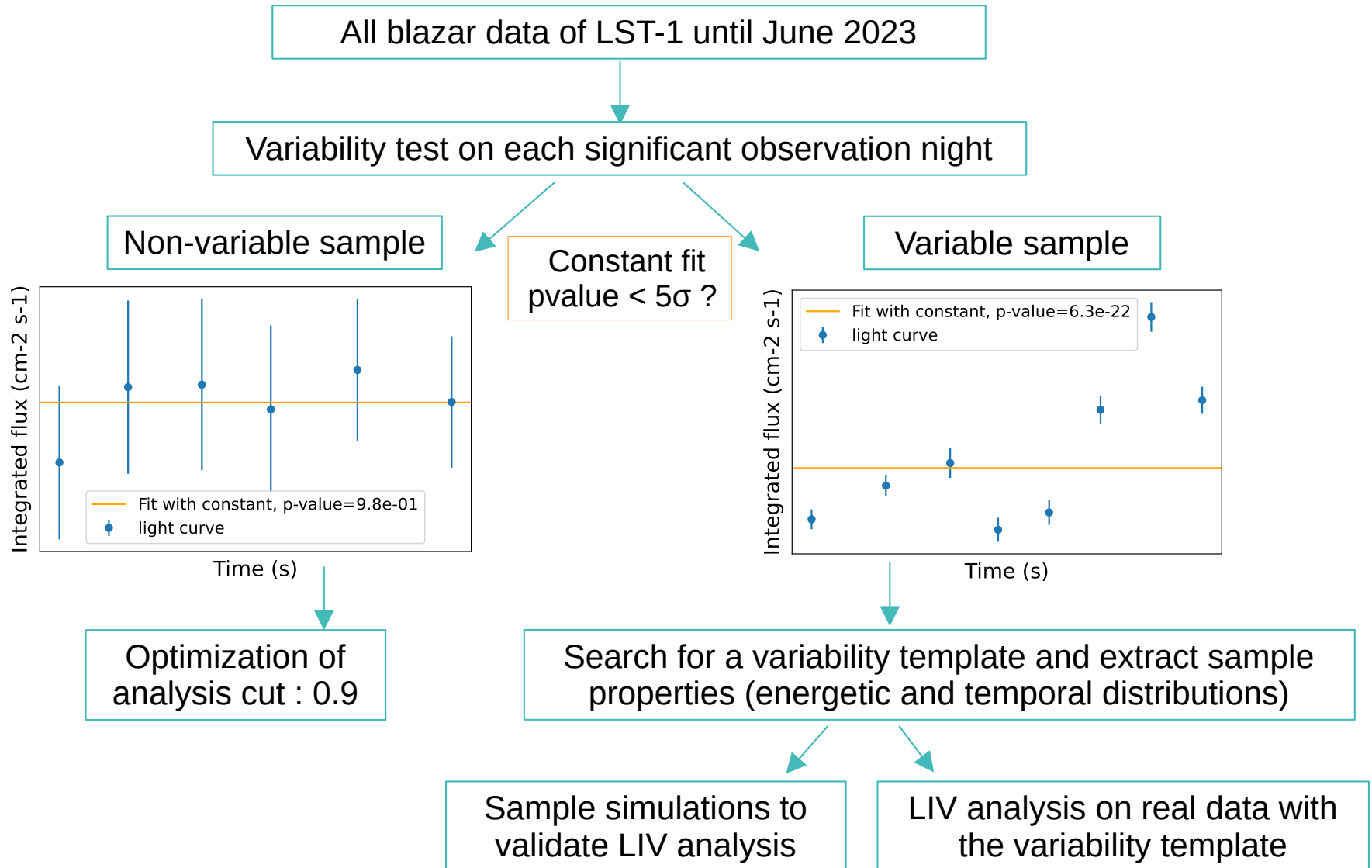
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LIV analysis on real data
with the variability template



LIVelihood

- Code developped for time lag study and combination of different experiments data
- Uses the likelihood method :
the time lag is a free parameter that can be shared between sources with different redshift and that minimizes the likelihood function :

$$\mathcal{L}(\lambda_n) = - \sum_{\text{event } \mathbf{i}} \log \left(\frac{dP(E_{R,\mathbf{i}}, t_{\mathbf{i}}; \lambda_n)}{dE_R dt} \right)$$

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Backgrounds k : hadrons and baseline

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Instrumental response functions
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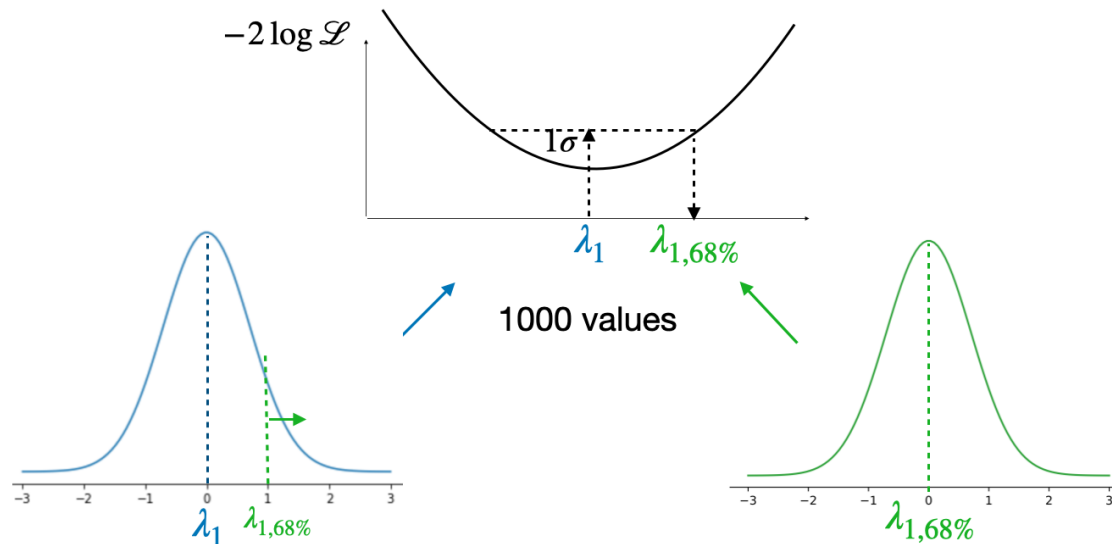
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Lightcurve x spectra
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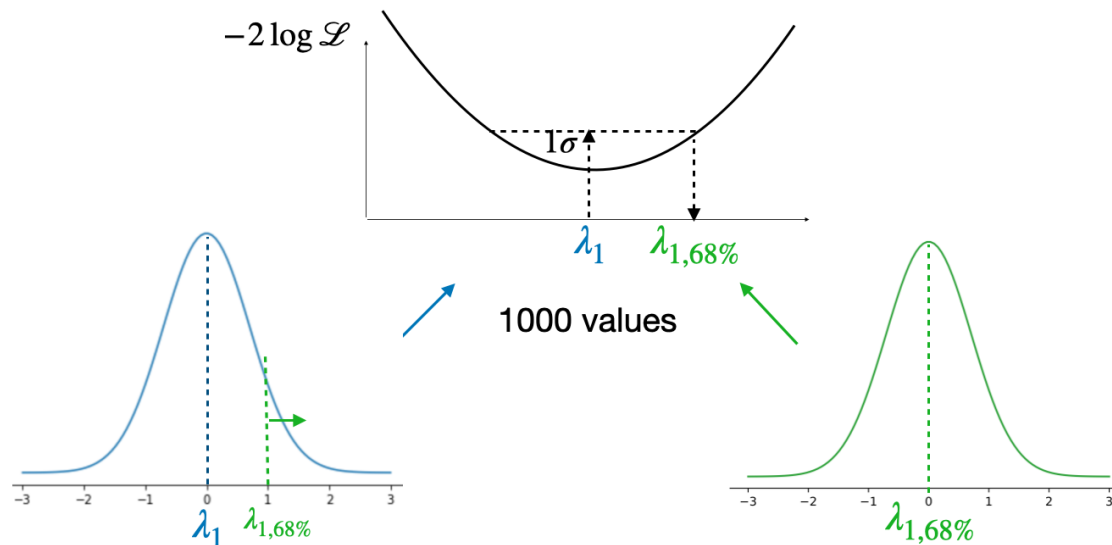


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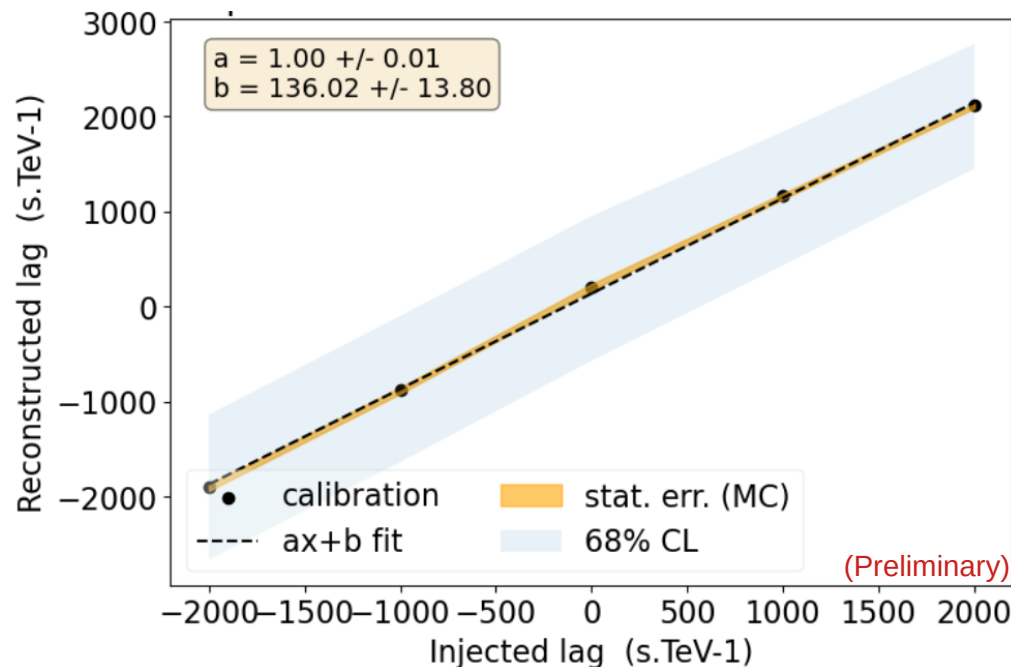


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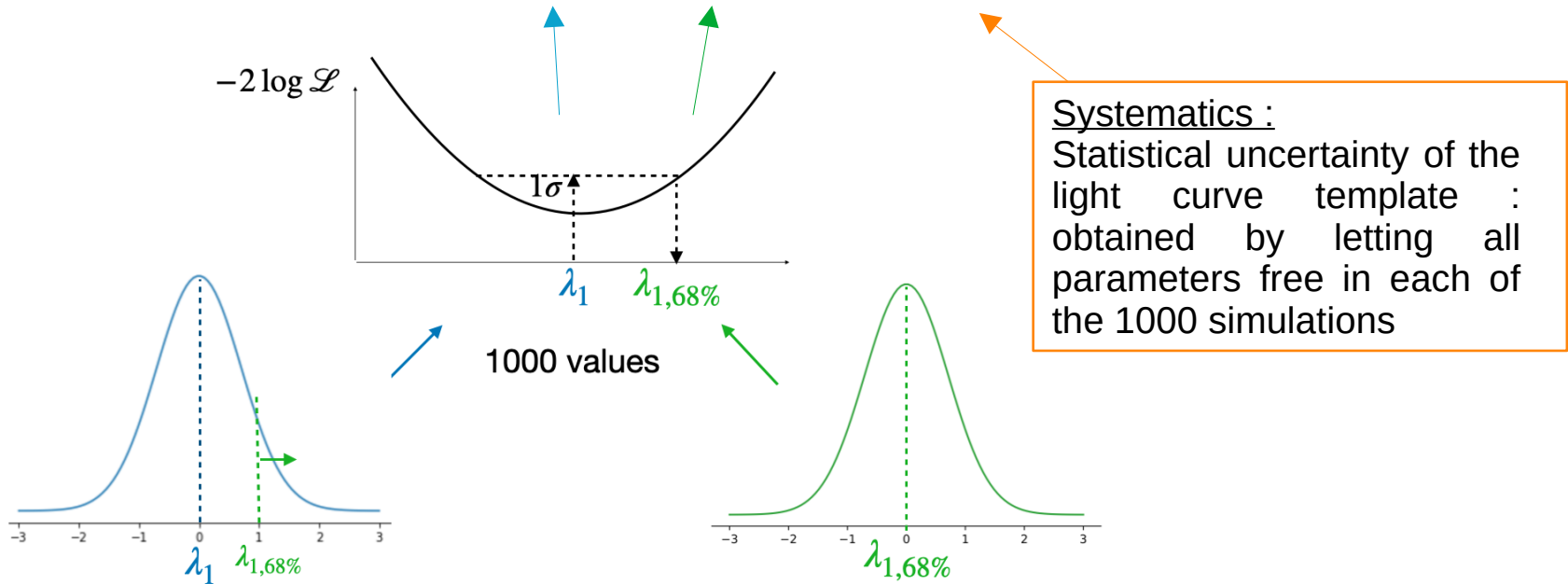
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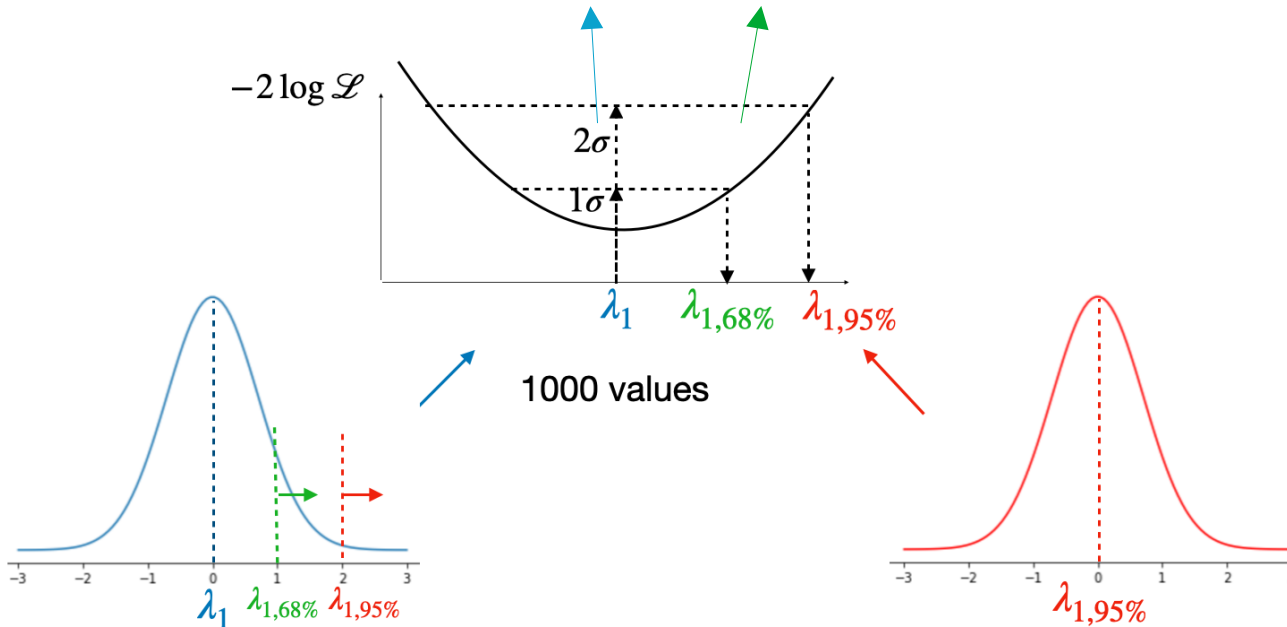
LIV analysis on real data

$$\text{Time delay : } \lambda_1 = (2060 \pm 2811 - 2899 \pm 2479 - 2143) \text{ s.TeV}^{-1}$$

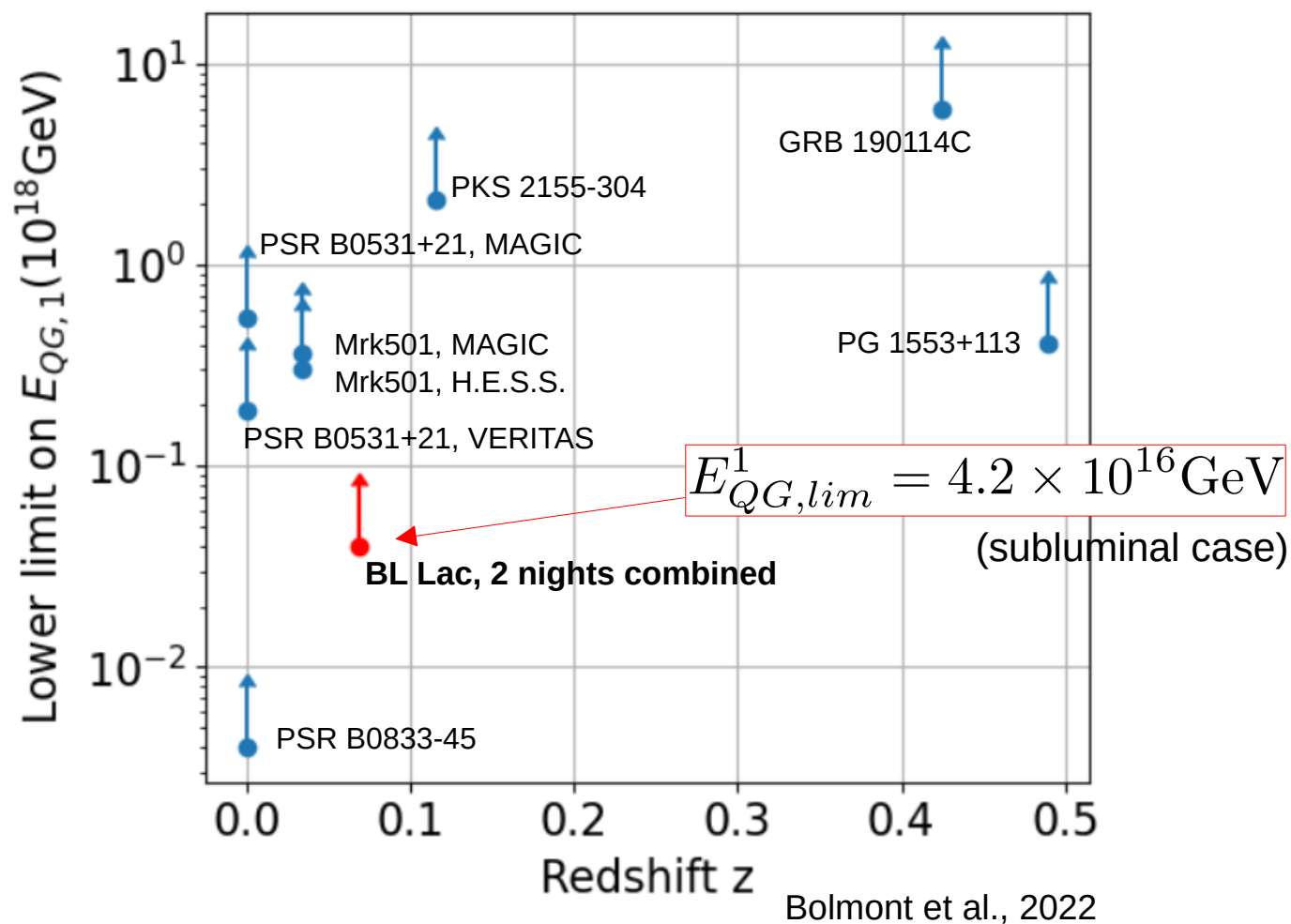


LIV analysis on real data

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Use $\lambda_{1,95\%} = \pm \frac{n+1}{2H_0 E_{QG,lim}^1}$ to extract : $E_{QG,lim}^1 = 4.2 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$
(subluminal case)



- Analysed all LST database searching for variability
- Combined 2 variable nights of BL Lac to extract a limit on E_{QG} at the order $n=1$ on real data

Ongoing work :

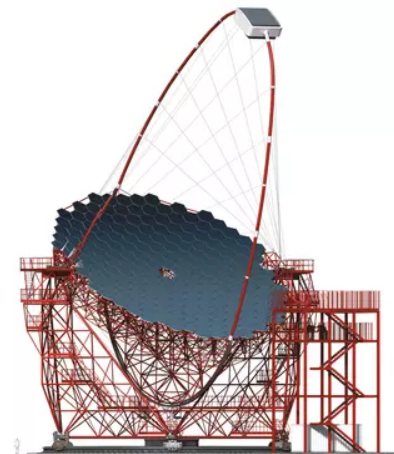
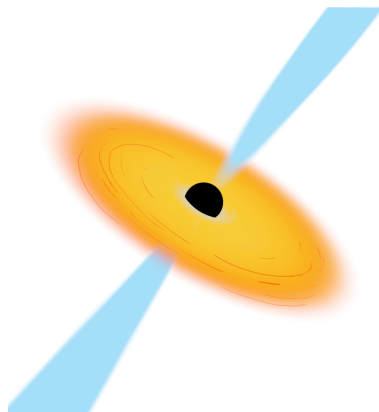
- Combine with the BL Lac 2022-10-20 night
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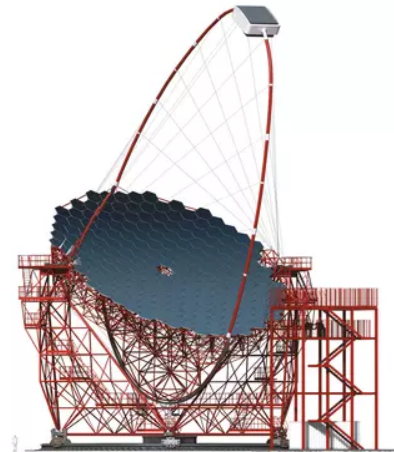
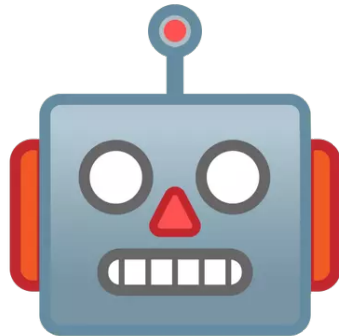


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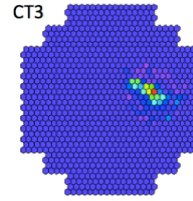
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- Our role : explore the application on real data
- Practically : production and analysis of Crab Nebula data under different conditions



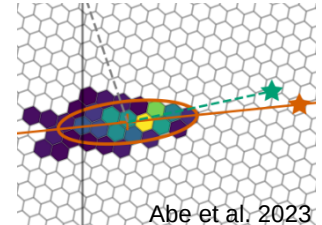
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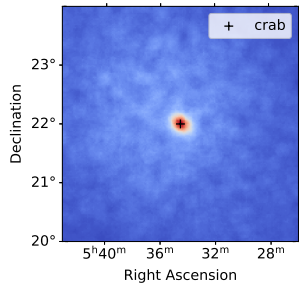
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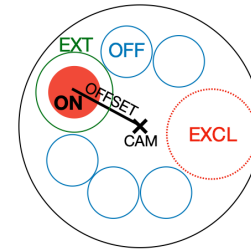
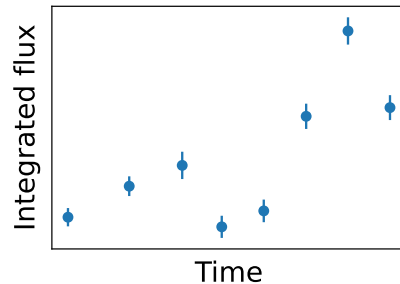
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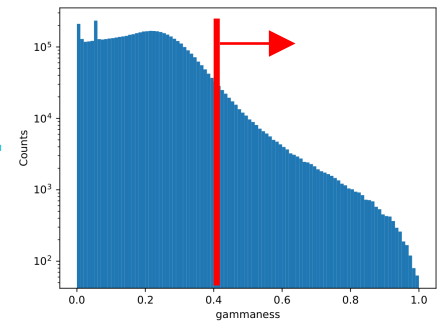
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High level products



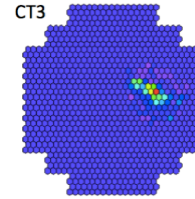
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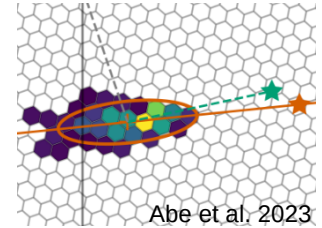
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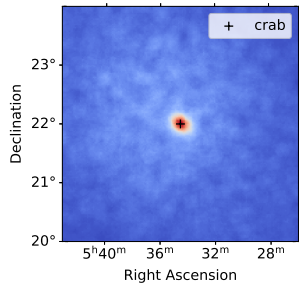


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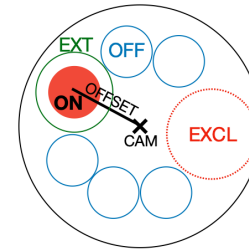
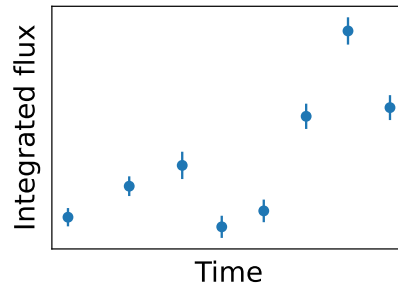


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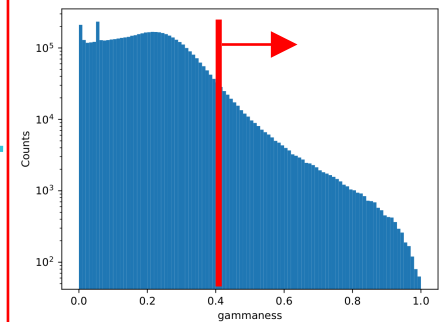
Lstchain



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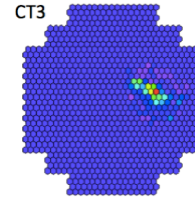
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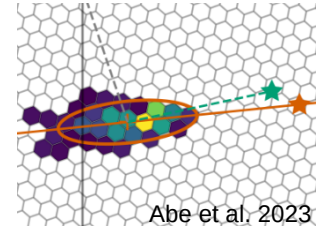
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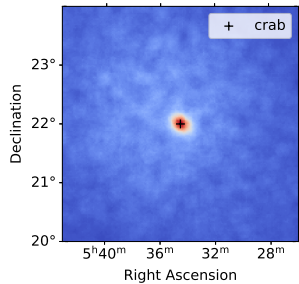


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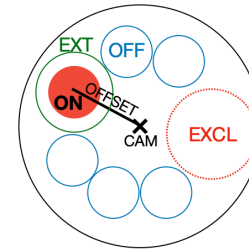
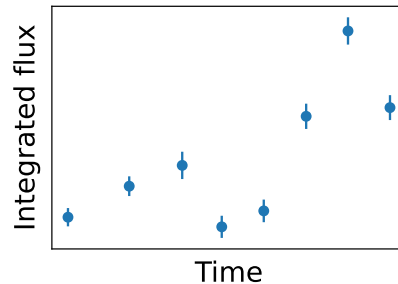


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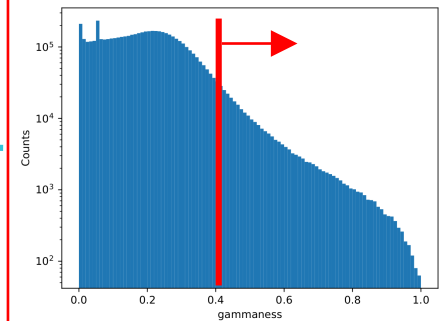
Lstchain : random forest



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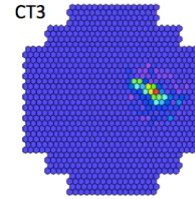
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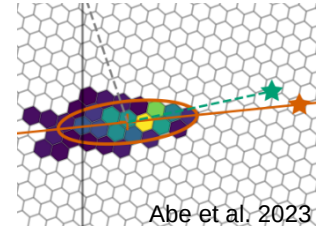
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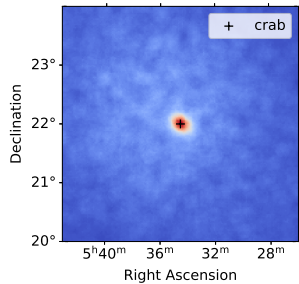


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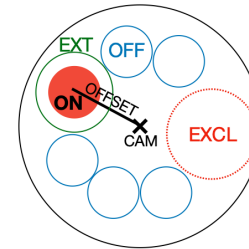
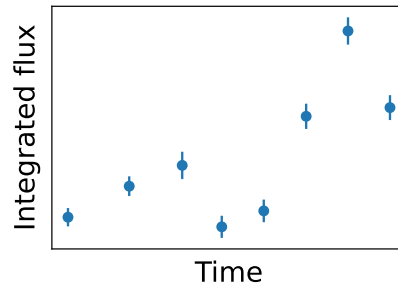


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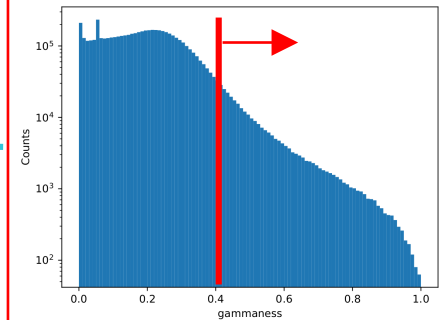
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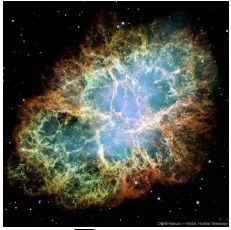
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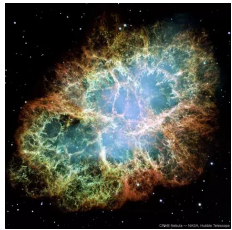
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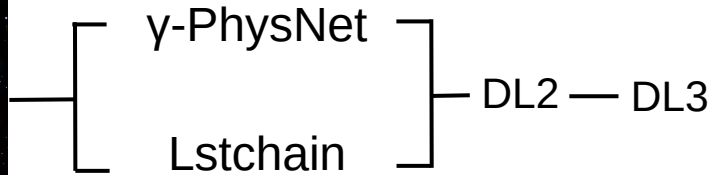
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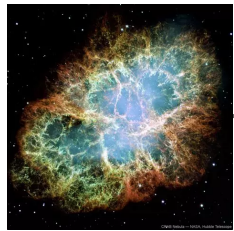


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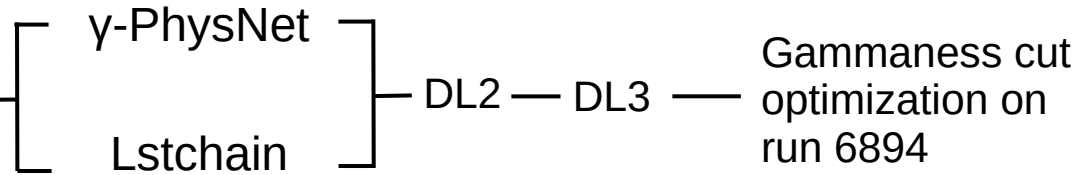


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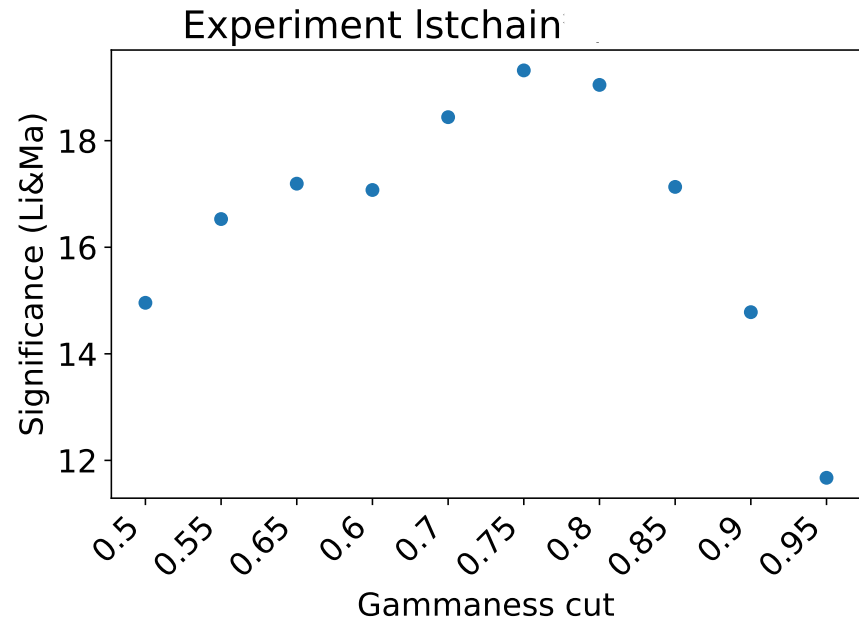
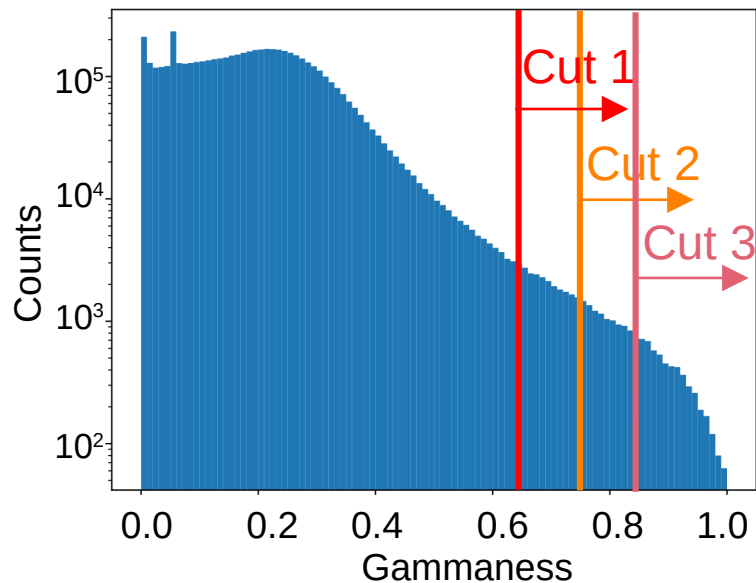


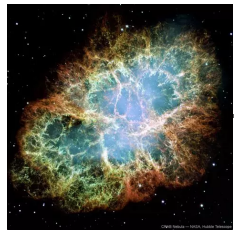


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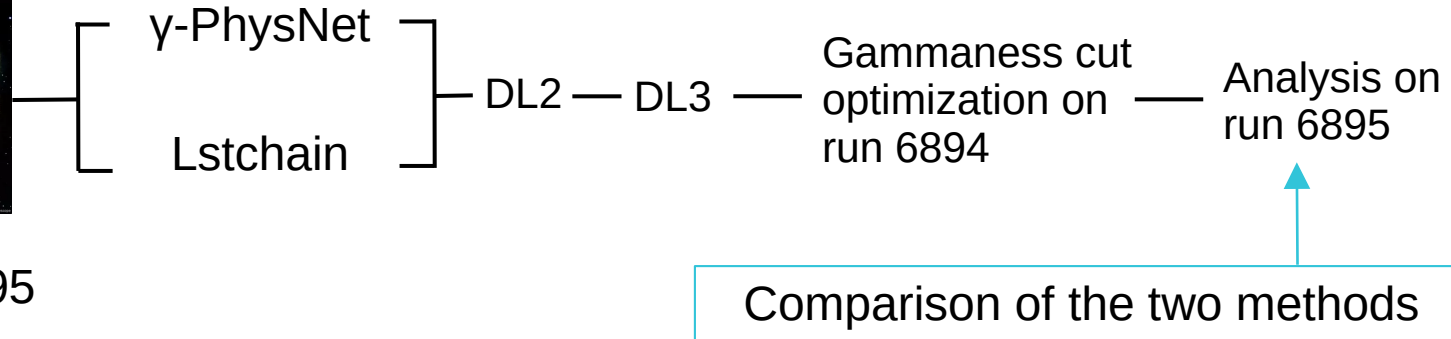


Select different gammaness cuts and search for the significance



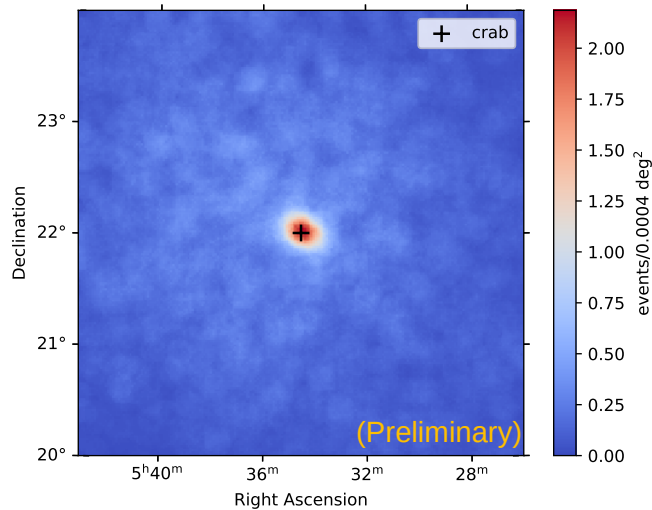


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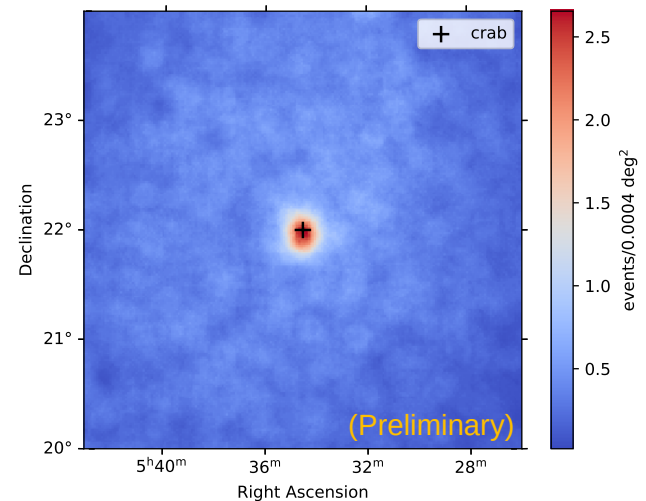
Lstchain

Significance : 20.3σ



γ-PhysNet

Significance : 22.4σ



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And... maybe use gammalearn data for a LIV analysis ??

LIV project

- Presented results at the CTA France meeting, LST general meeting and the COST action QGMM conference in Rijeka
- Paper draft planned for January 2024

Gammalearn project

- Presented results at the LST general meeting with Michaël
- Co-author of a poster presented at the ADASS conference (November) by Michaël

Collaboration involvement

Shift at the LST-1 (La Palma) in November

Total : 135h

Disciplinaire : 40h

- Winter school of theoretical physics : Quantum gravity & phenomenology (COST action QGMM)

Transversales : 55h

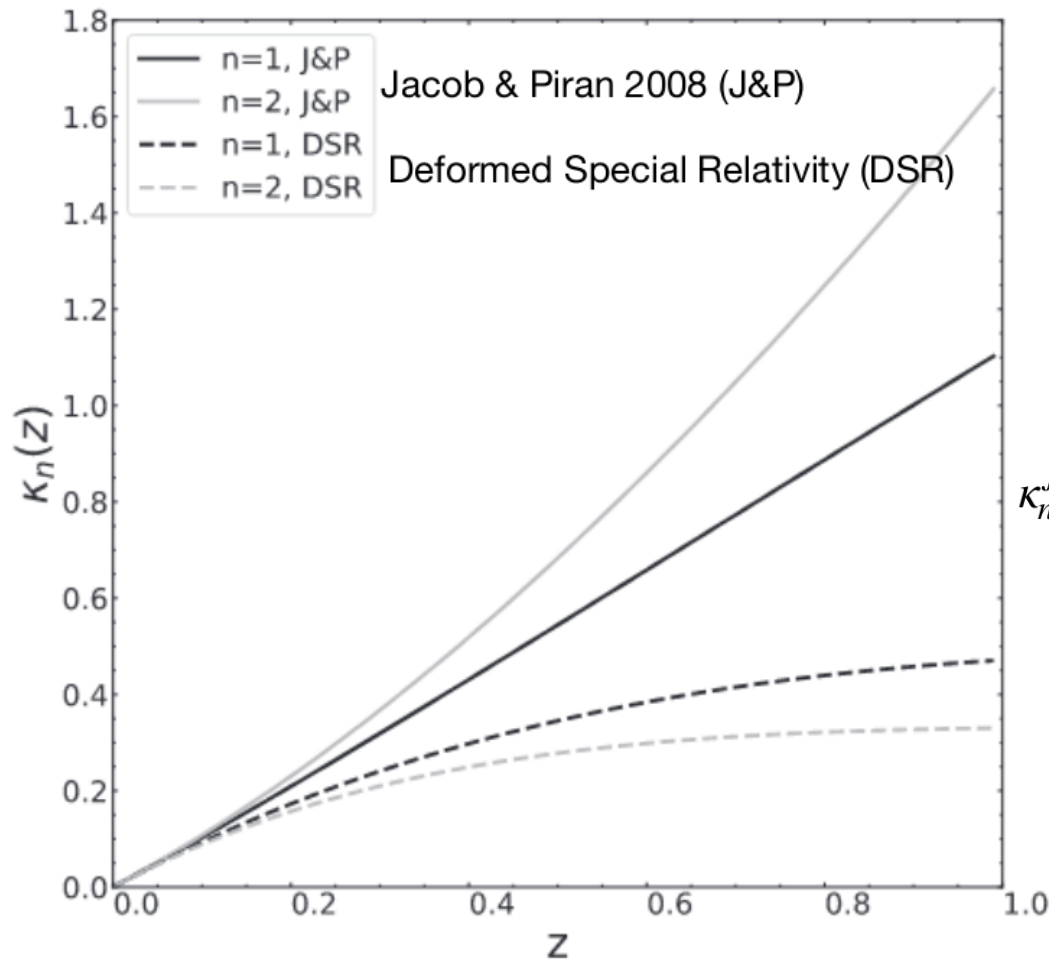
- Journée de rentrée
- MOOC éthique de la recherche
- Encadrer efficacement des TD
- Initiation à l'écrit journalistique scientifique
- Animation à l'évènement "Les tribulations savantes"

Professionnelles : 40h

- Vacation pour l'USMB : 41h de TP
- Mission de médiation scientifique
- Travailler son identité professionnelle et son réseau
- Insertion professionnelle après le doctorat

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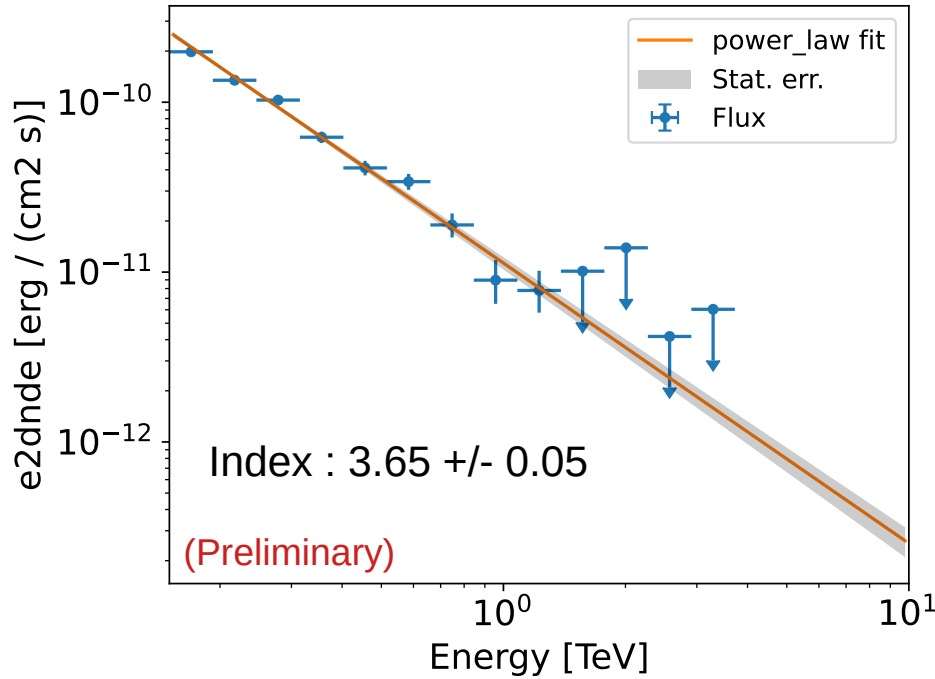
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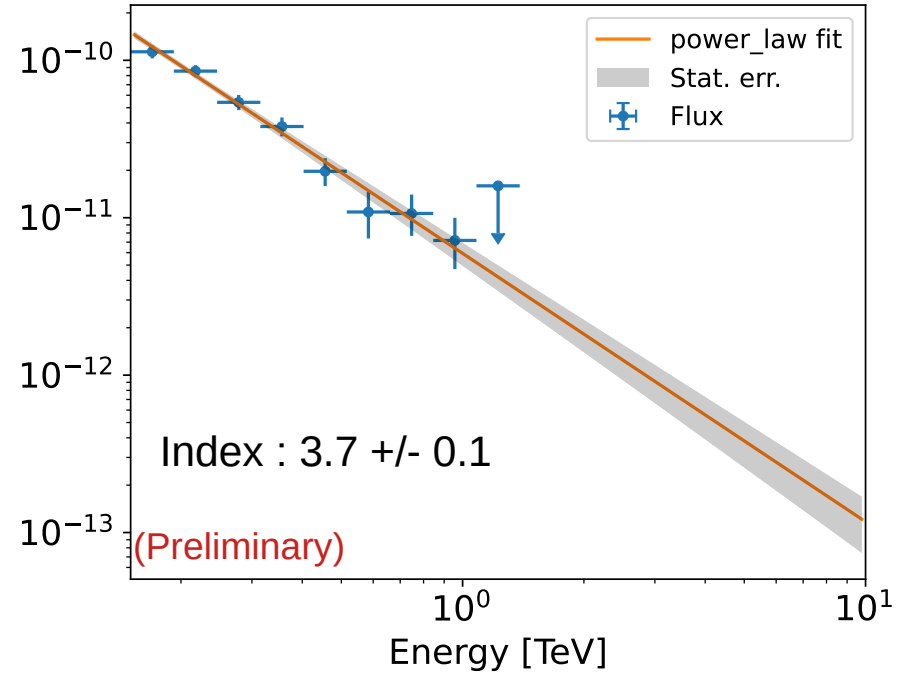
Bolmont et al 2022

$$\kappa_n^{J\&P}(z) = \frac{1}{z_0} \int_0^z \frac{(1+z')^n}{\sqrt{\Omega_m(1+z')^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}} dz'$$

BL Lac 2021-08-08

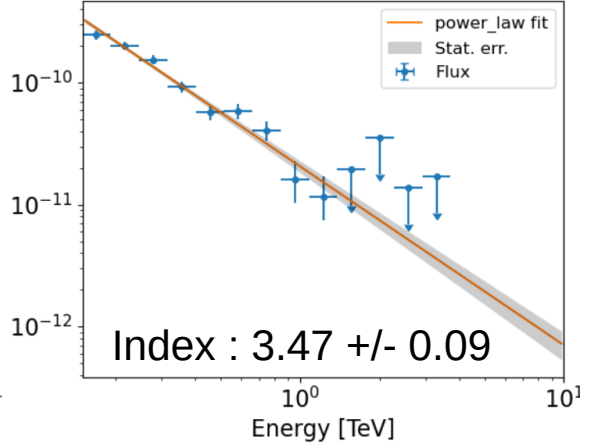
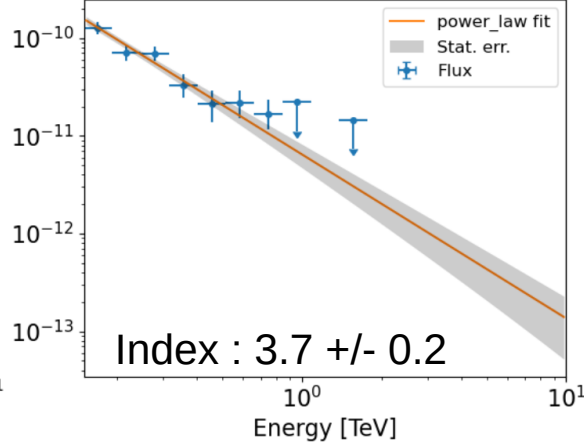
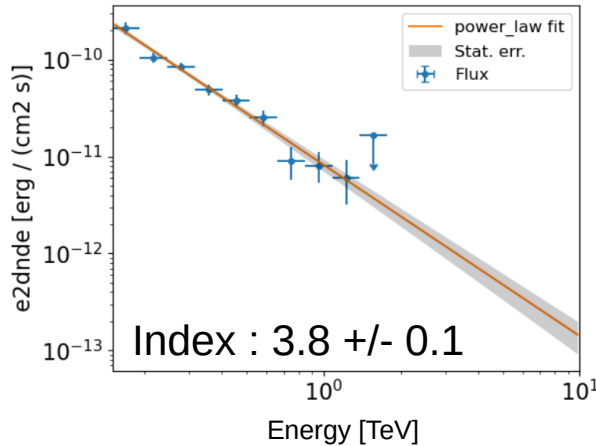
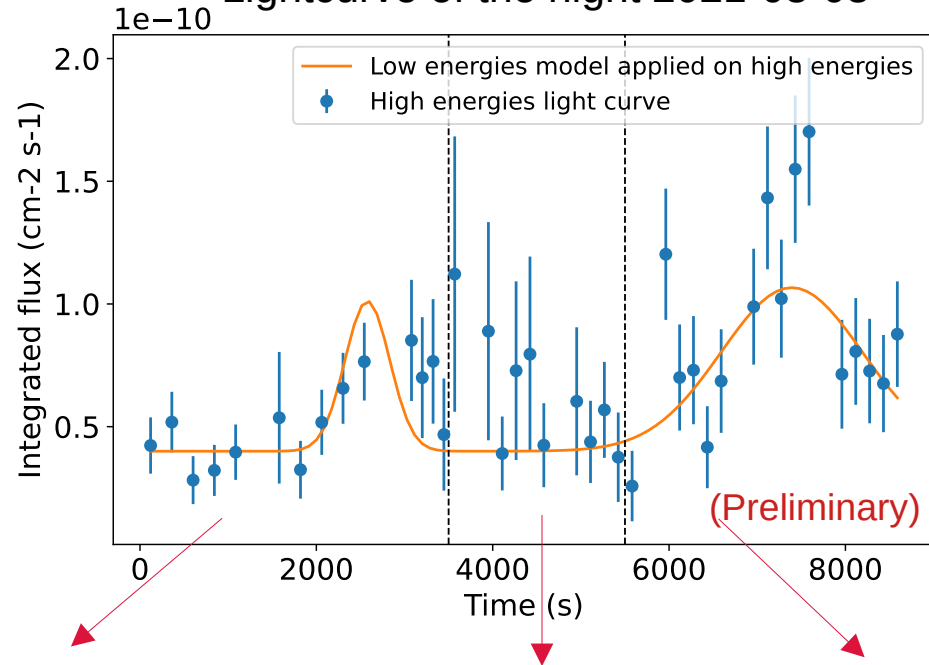


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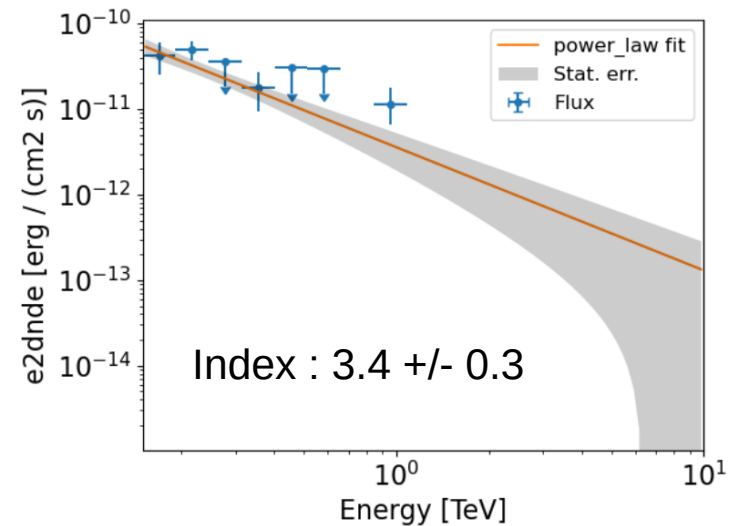
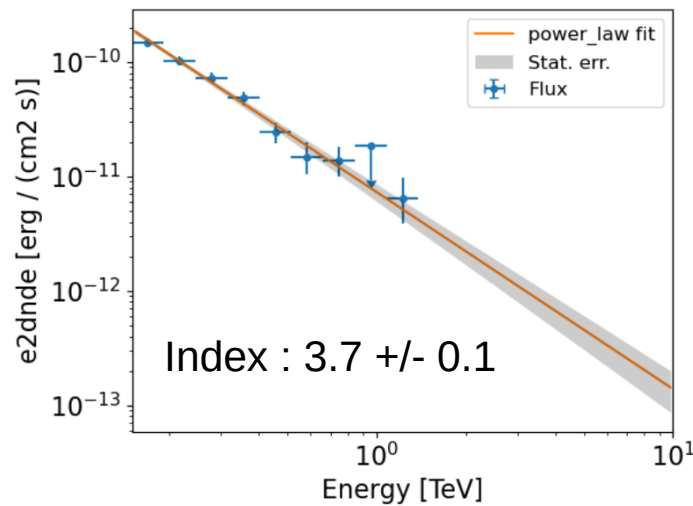
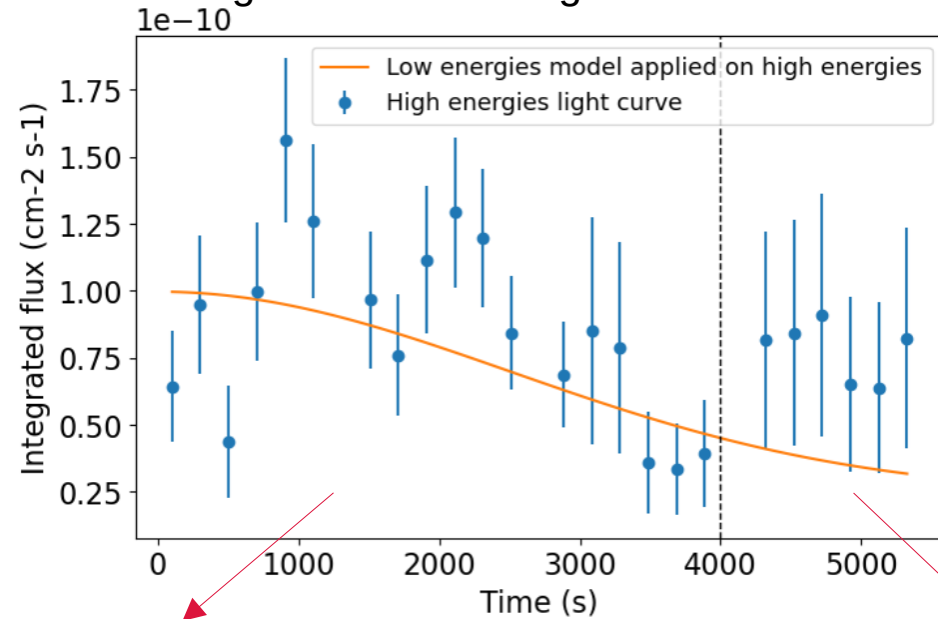


10 bins per decade, ON radius = 0.2° , energy reco : [150GeV , 10TeV]

Lightcurve of the night 2021-08-08



Lightcurve of the night 2021-08-09



Lag λ_n : free parameter, can be shared between sources with different redshifts

For one night : $\mathcal{L}(\lambda_n) = - \sum_{\text{event } i} \log \left(\frac{dP(E_{R,i}, t_i, \lambda_n)}{dE_R dt} \right)$

with $\frac{dP}{dE_R dt} = W_s \frac{\int \underbrace{E_{\text{ff}} A(E_T, \vec{\epsilon})}_{\text{IRFs}} \underbrace{\text{MM}(E_T, E_R)}_{N'_s} \times \underbrace{F_s(E_T, t; \lambda_n)}_{\text{Signal}} dE_T$

Lightcurve x spectra

$+ \sum_k W_{b,k} \frac{\int \underbrace{E_{\text{ff}} A(E_T, \vec{\epsilon})}_{\text{IRFs}} \underbrace{\text{MM}(E_T, E_R)}_{N'_{b,k}} \times \underbrace{F_{b,k}(E_T)}_{\text{Backgrounds } k : \text{hadrons and baseline}} dE_T$

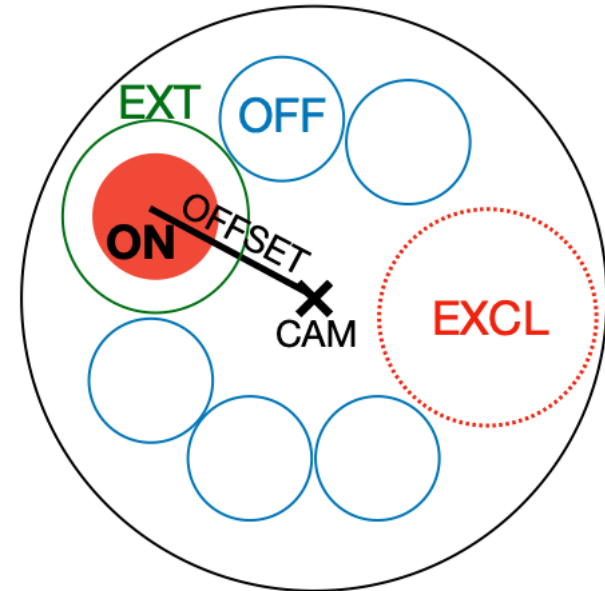
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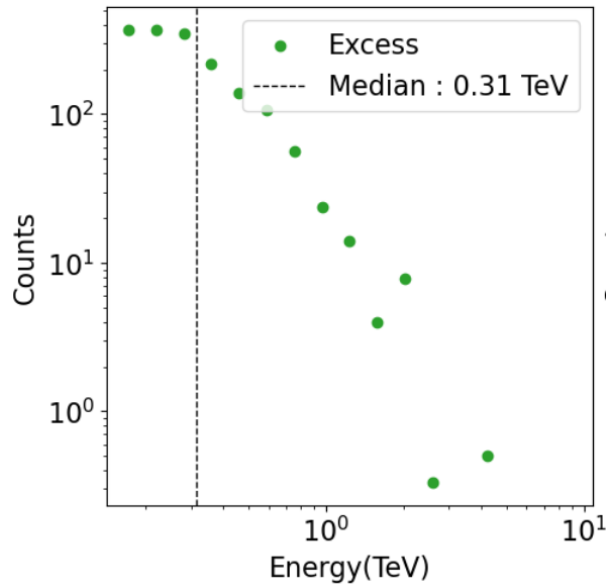
Reflected region background method

Hypothesis : background is purely radial in the field-of-view.

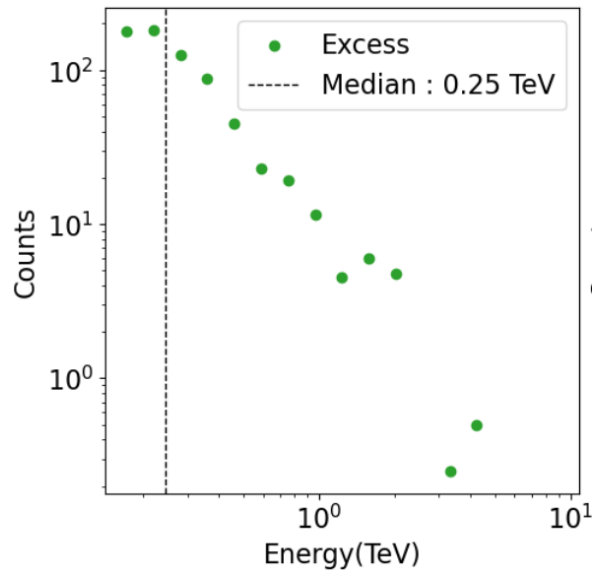
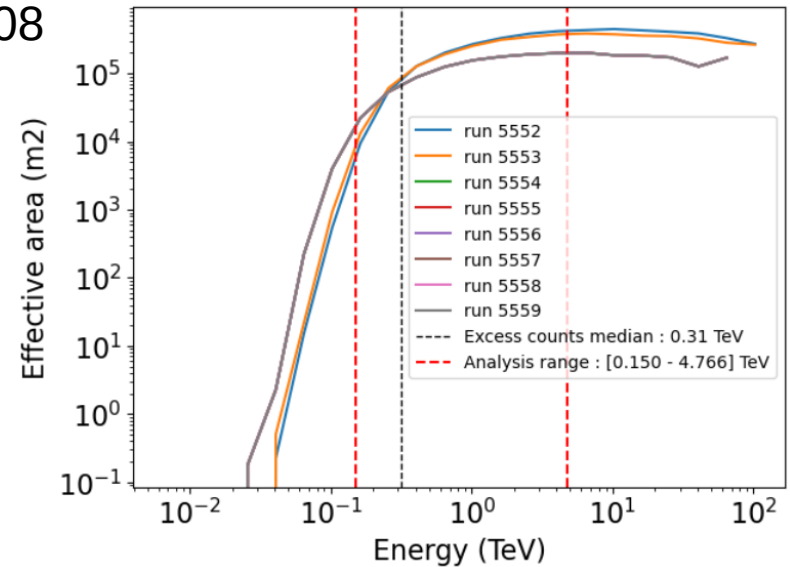
- X CAM : camera pointing direction
- OFFSET : regions dispersion radius
- ON : source (gammas) + background
- EXT : exclusion of potential remaining source events
- EXCL : exclusion of a potential other source
- OFF : background



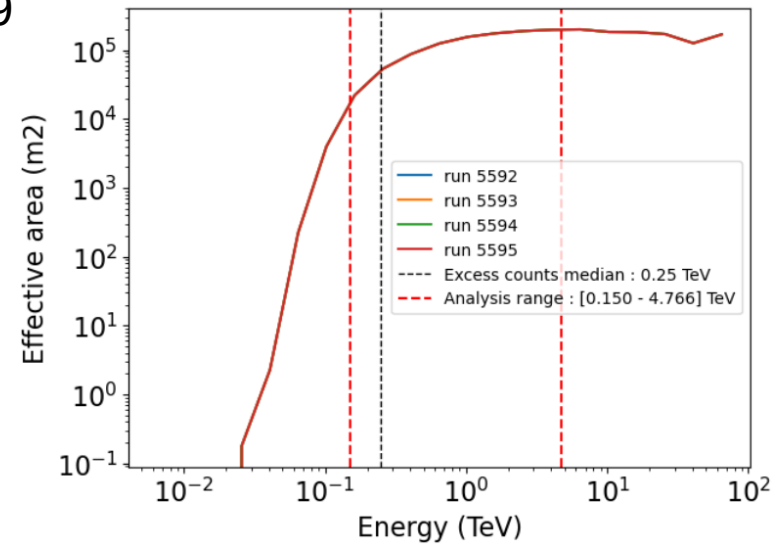
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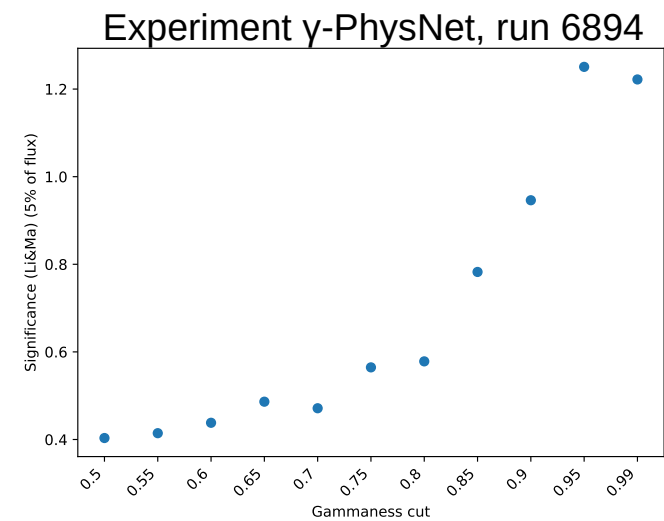
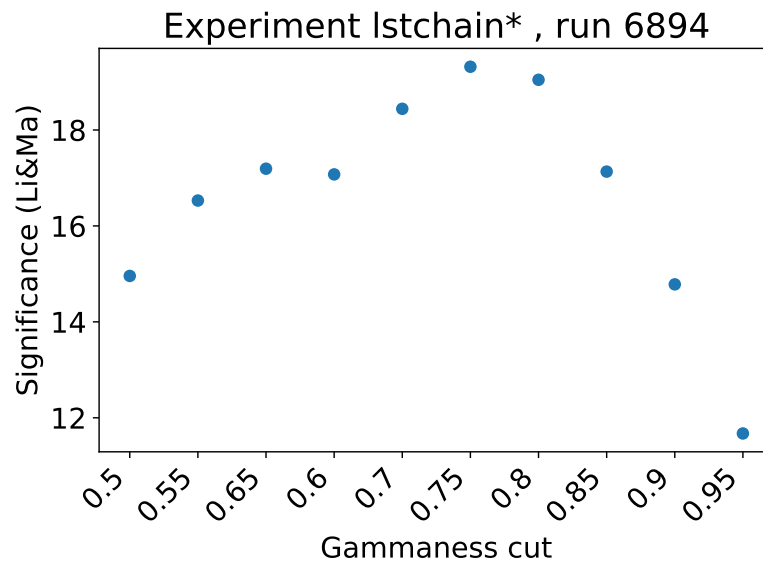
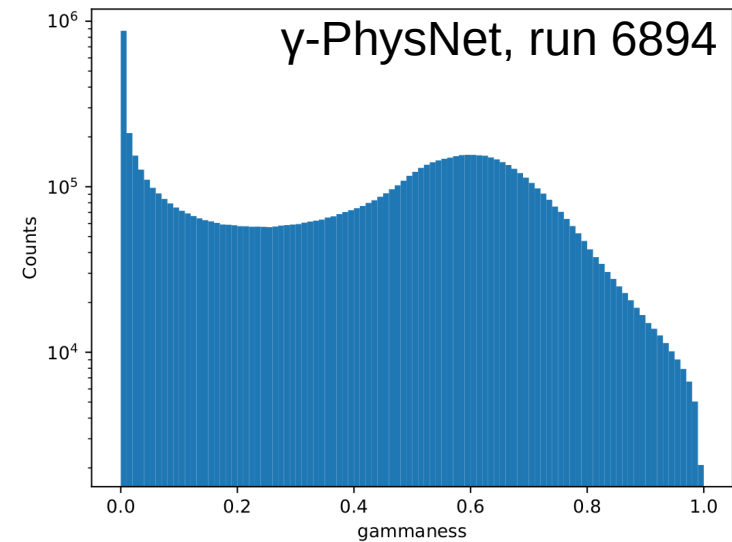
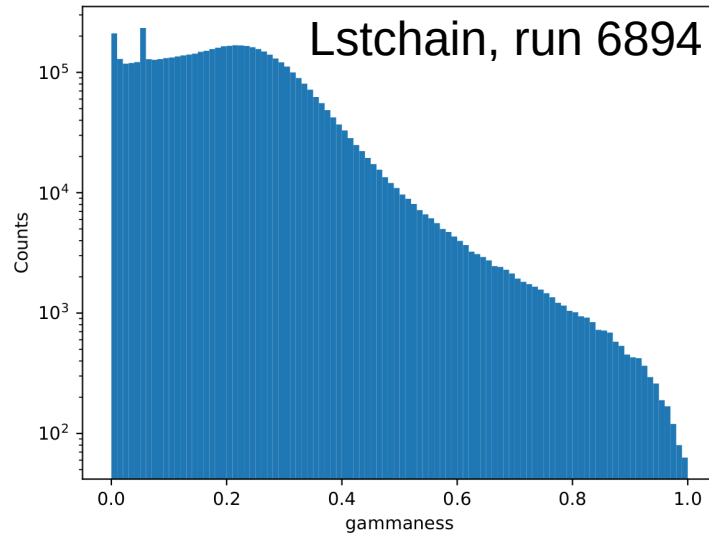
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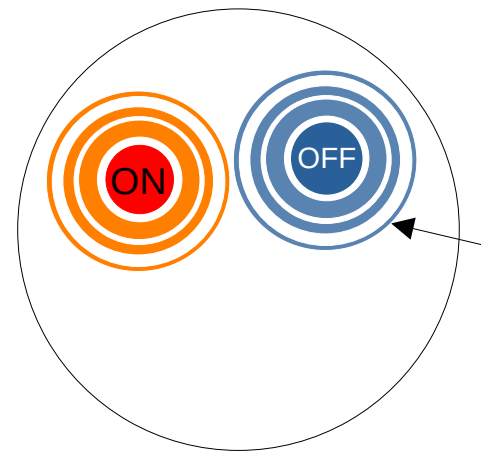
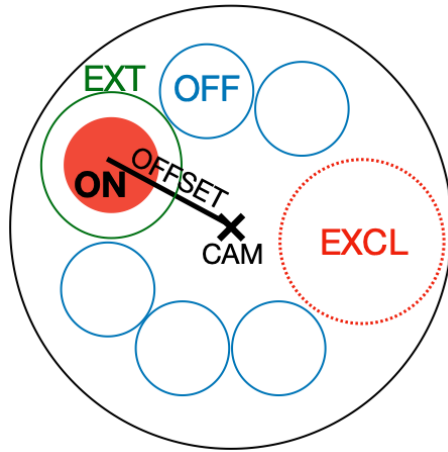


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Gammalearn





θ : angle between source and integrated events

θ^2

