



Laboratoire d'Annecy de Physique des Particules

LST-1: Ensuring a correct pointing & Improving our GRB detection ability

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LST
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CTAO – Quick presentation

Bending Model

What is it?

Why do we need it?

How can we improve it?

Gamma Ray Burst Analysis

What are GRBs?

Why are they so important?

Can we improve the detection ability?

CTAO: array of imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescopes

→ 2 sites in each hemisphere

→ 3 types of telescopes to cover from 20 GeV to 100 TeV



Illustration of the future CTAO South site,

Credit : Gabriel Pérez Díaz (IAC)/Marc-André Besel (CTAO)/ESO/ N. Risinger (skysurvey.org)

CTAO: array of imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescopes

→ LST-1: first telescope of the array



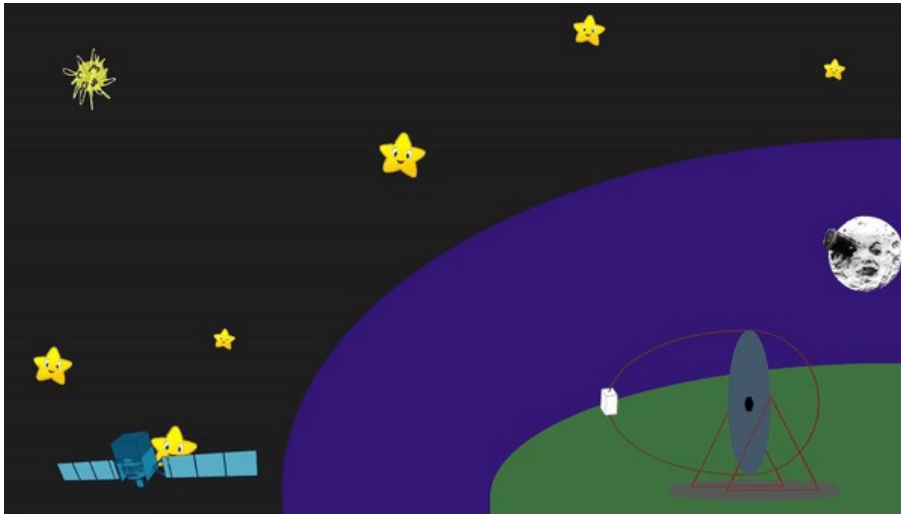
LST-1 picture, at twilight



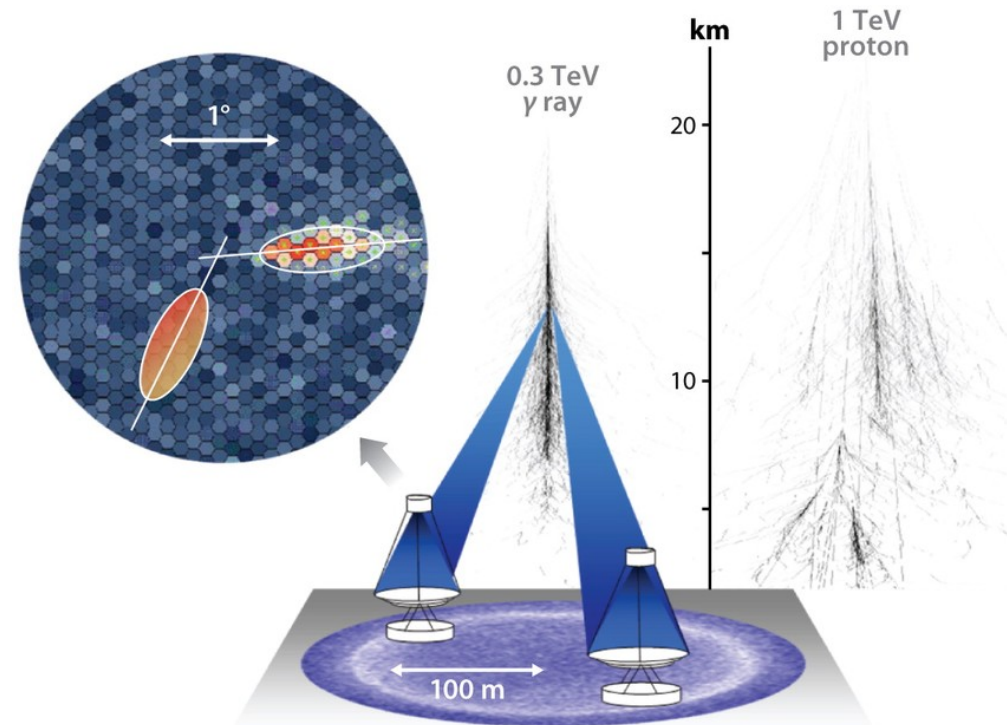
LST-1 moving

CTAO: array of imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescopes

→ Detection principle



Working principle of LST-1 (don't judge please, I did this gif myself)



*Scheme of the electromagnetic shower
Credit: J.A. Hinton and W. Hofmann*



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Bending Model: Ensuring a correct pointing

Working principle, Optimization, Improvements



Goal

developed at LAPP by a former phd student, Mathieu de Bony

→ taking into account the deformation of the structure

=> correcting the systematic errors of the pointing (**< 1 arc-minute**)

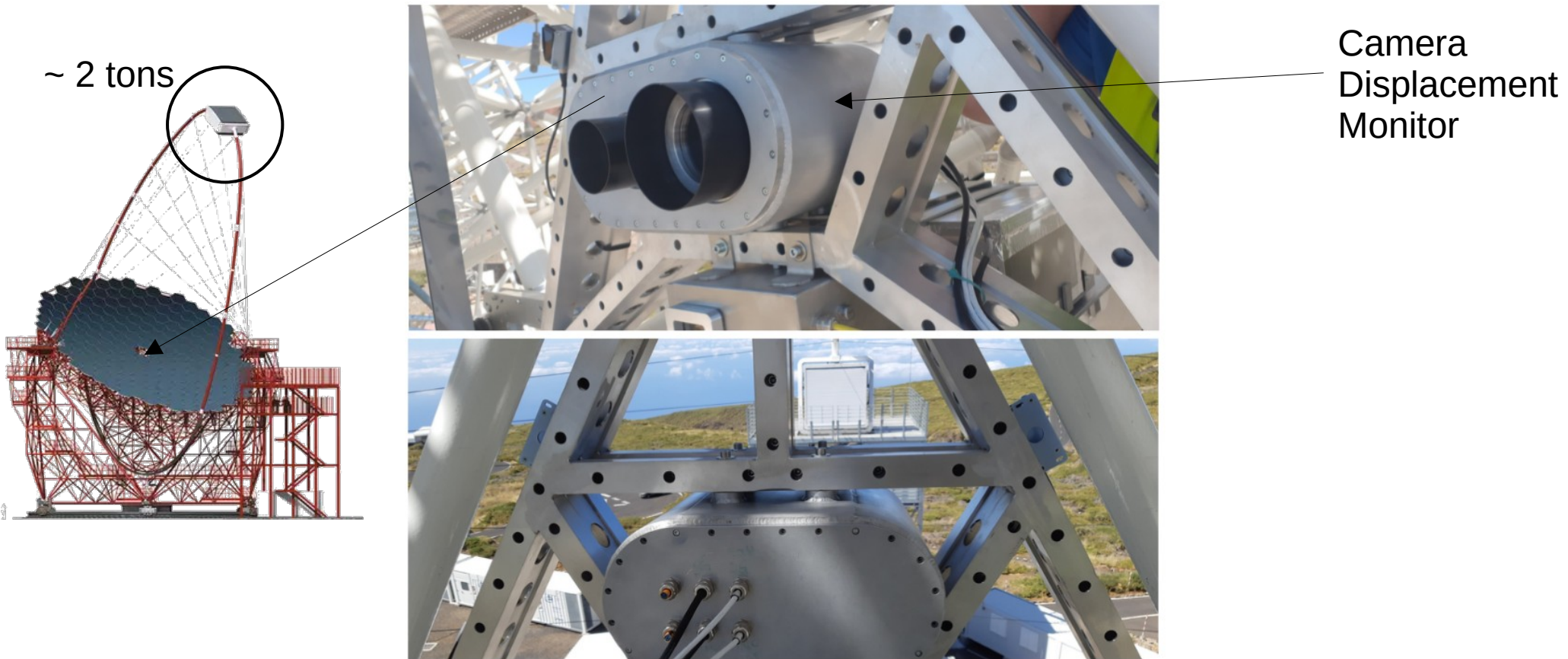
~ 2 tons



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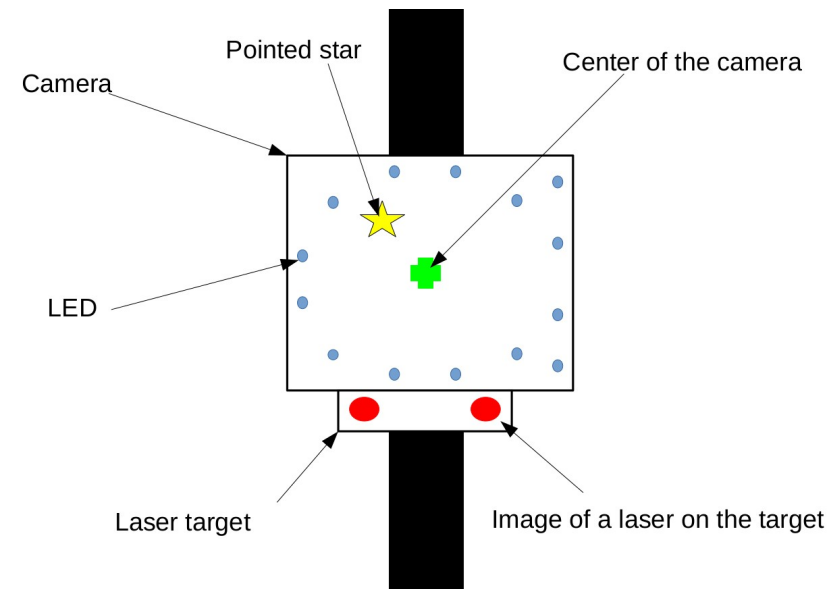
Pictures of the CDM, at the center of the dish

Goal

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Basic procedure

- choose a star
 - point the star
 - measure the shift between the center of the camera and the image of the star
- => derive a mechanical model that predicts the shift

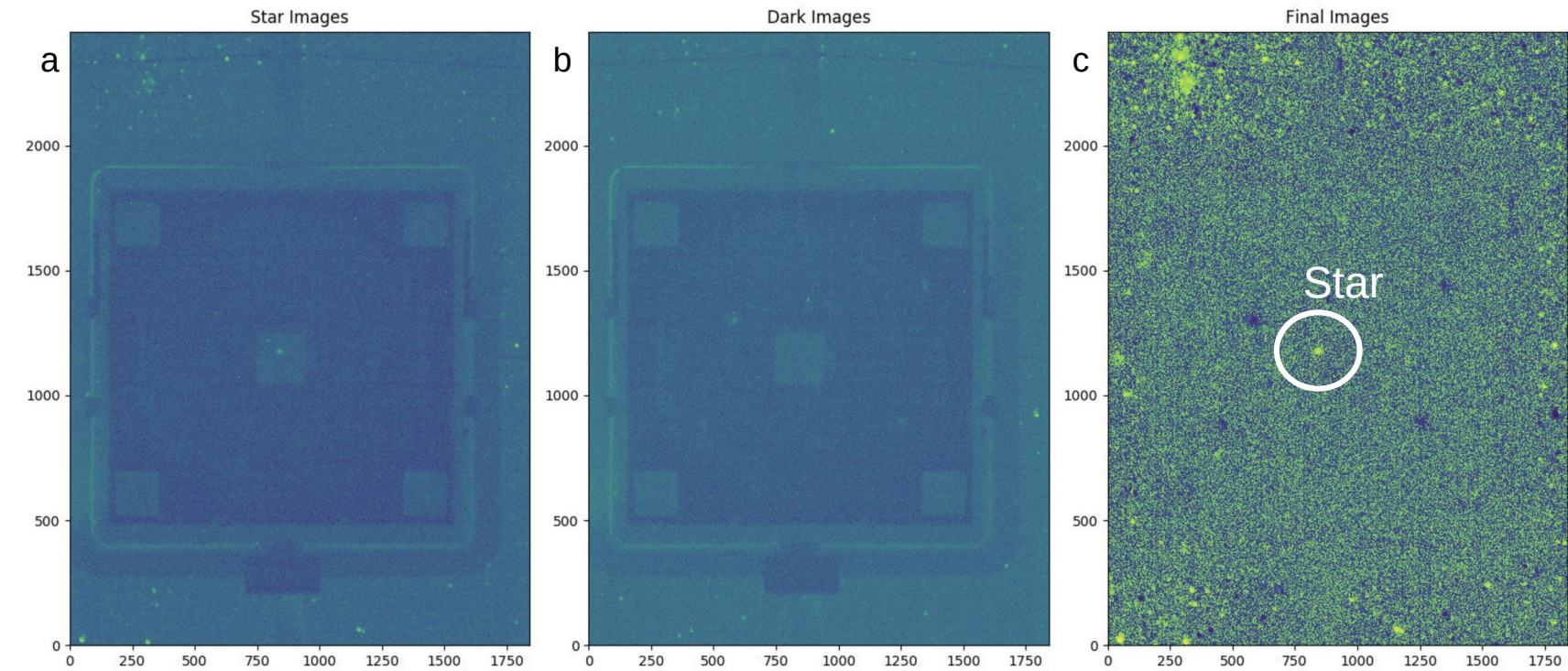


Sketch of the CDM field of view

Working principle

→ derive a mechanical model from star misspointing

Example of an observation



Base Images

Star (a), dark patch (b) and finale (c) pictures

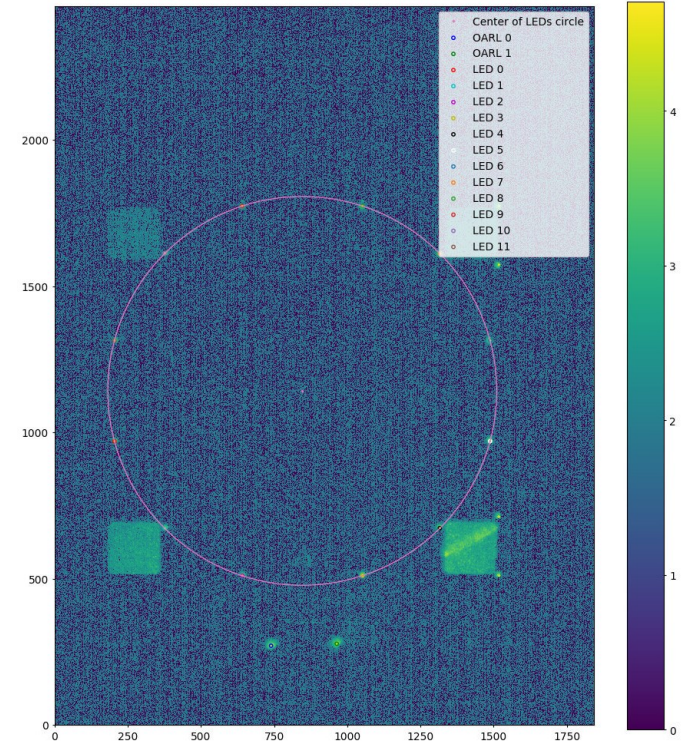
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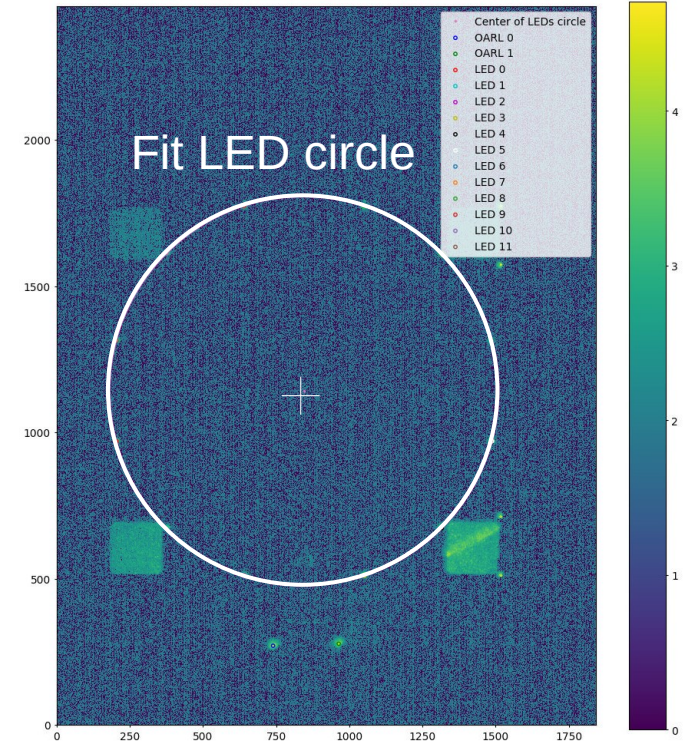
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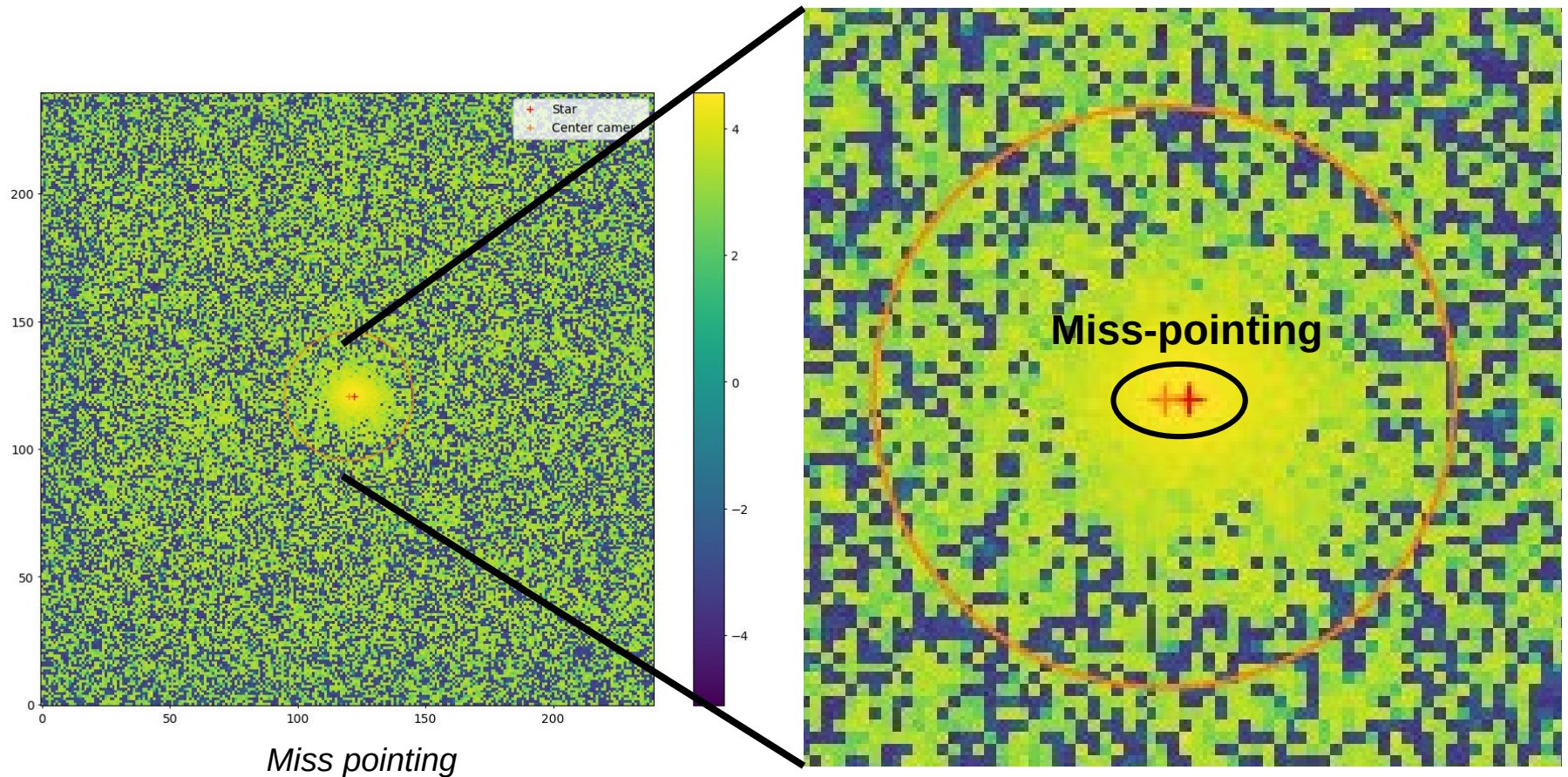


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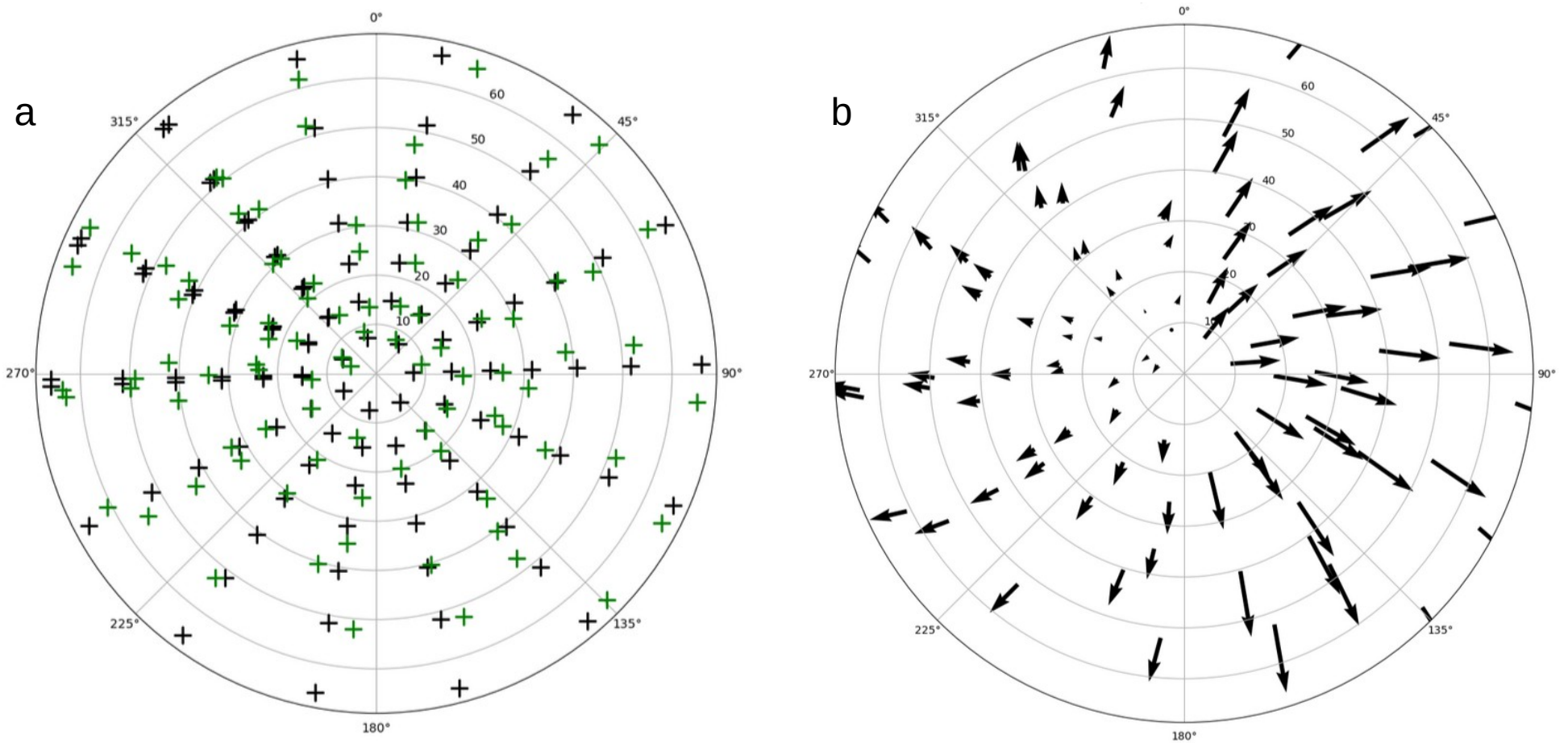
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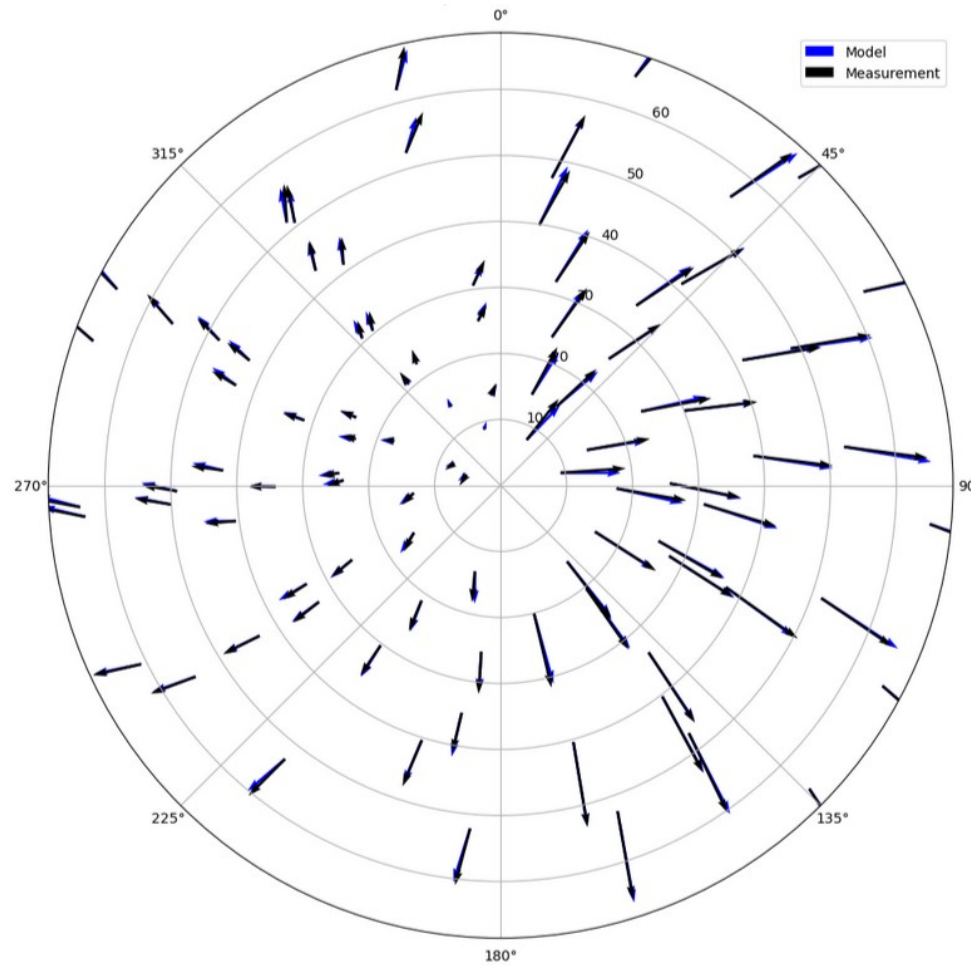
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Distributions of (a) pointed stars between over a certain period and (b) corresponding misspointing, in polar representation

Working principle

→ derive a mechanical model from star misspointing



Compute the miss-pointing for each point, with mechanical model

Distribution of miss-pointing compared with the predicted miss-pointing evaluated with mechanical model, in polar representation

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→ 9h/Moon cycle, *time is precious !*

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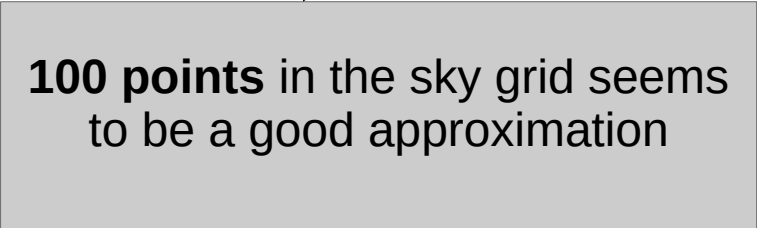
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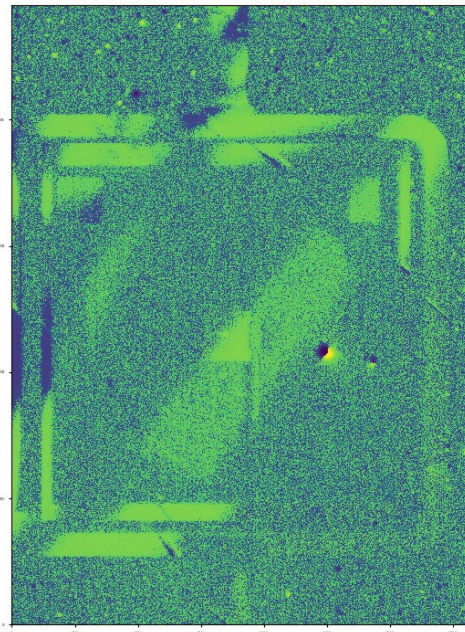
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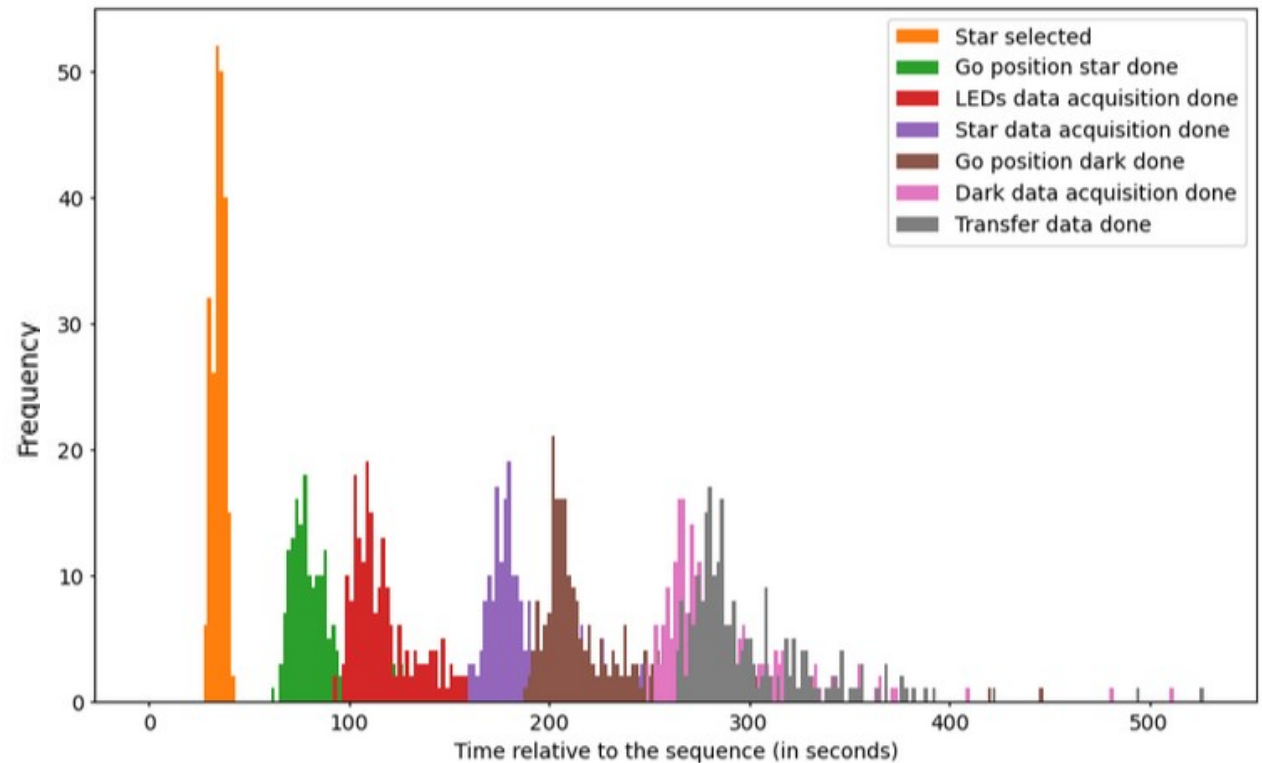
Optimize **observation sequence**

Improvement of the sequence

→ add scheduler process in the bending model code

Sequence

- ▶ ▪ select a star
- go to star position
- data acquisition LEDs
- data acquisition star
- go position dark
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- transfer data



Distribution of the end event times, relatively to the start of the observation

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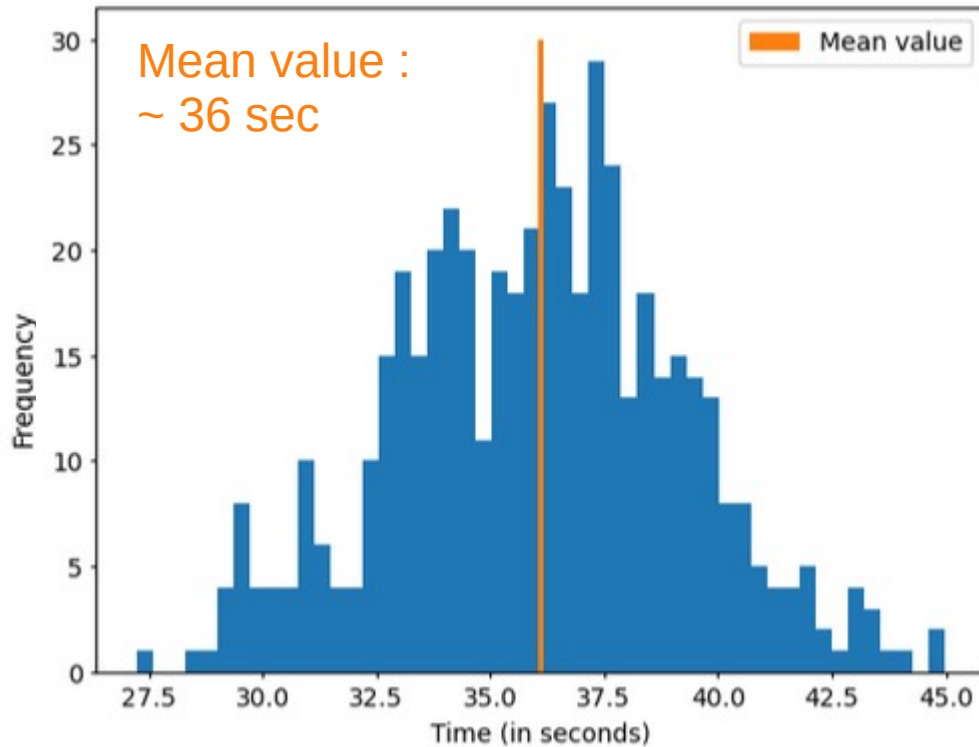
New sequence

- select a star (**only first observation**)
- go to star position
- data acquisition LEDs
- data acquisition star
- go position dark
- data acquisition dark + **select next star**
- transfer data

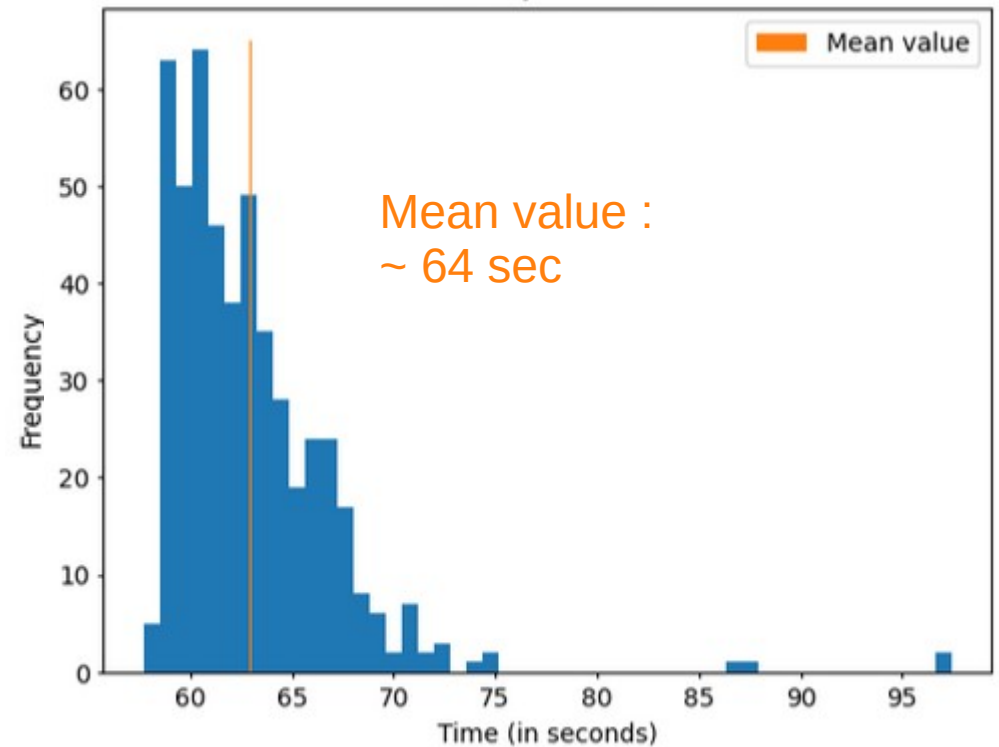
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How much time can be gained for each observation ?



Distribution of scheduler run method duration, since June 2023

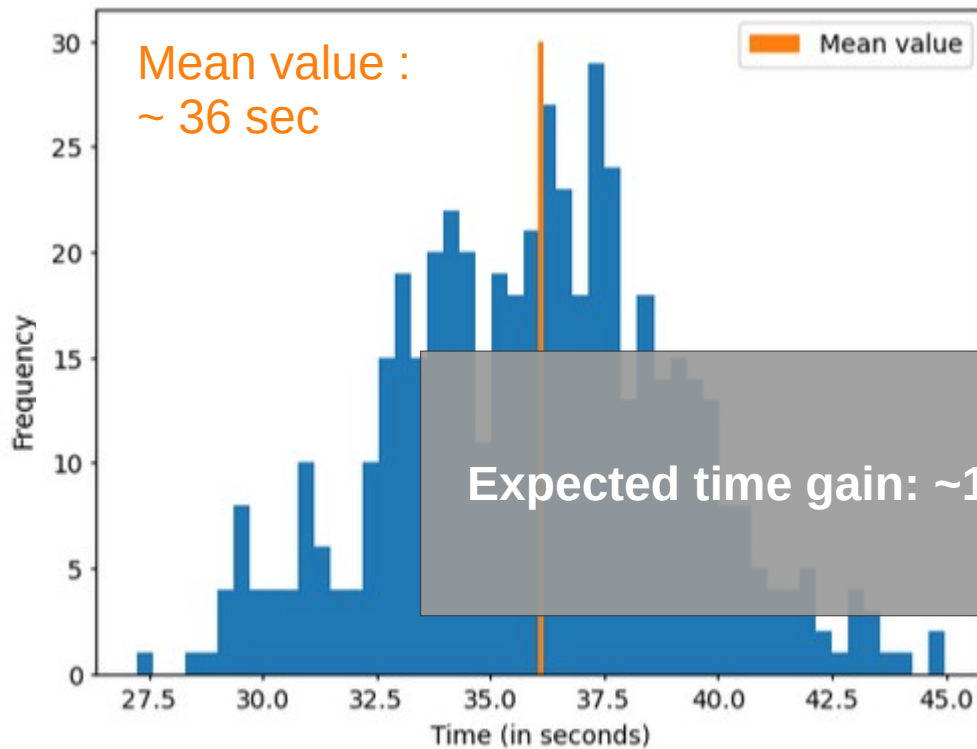


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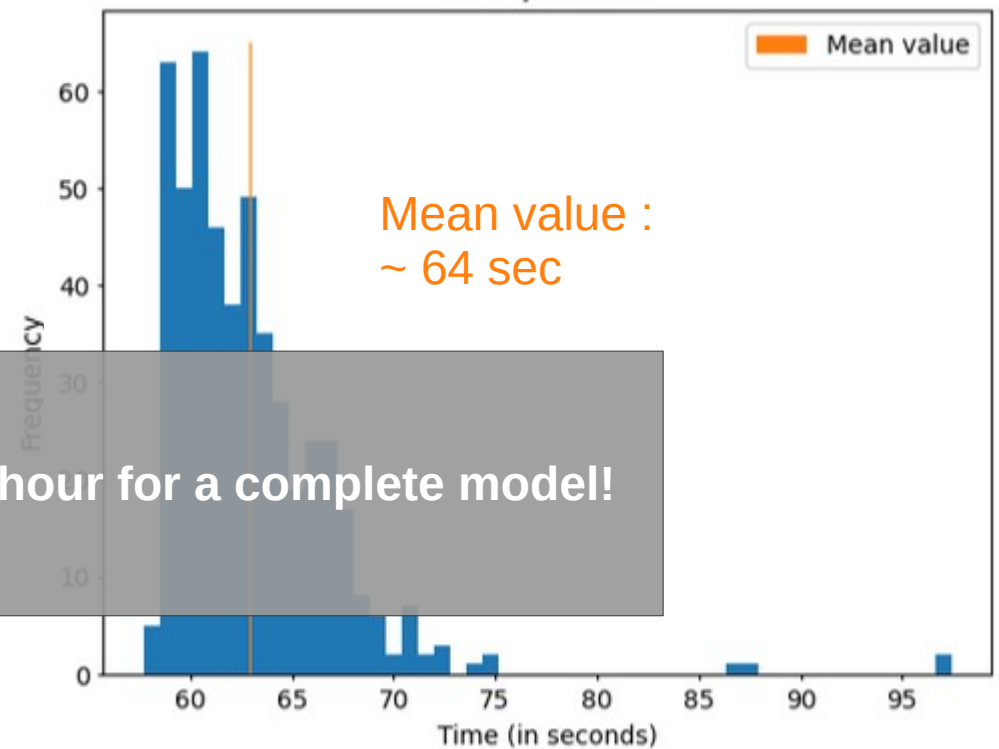
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Expected time gain: ~1 hour for a complete model!

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First results

Tests have been done the 23rd and the 29th of October

→ over 2 observations, 36 seconds are gained

New mechanical model will be performed in December

→ wait & see...



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Gamma Ray Burst: Improving our detection ability

Analysis methods & first results

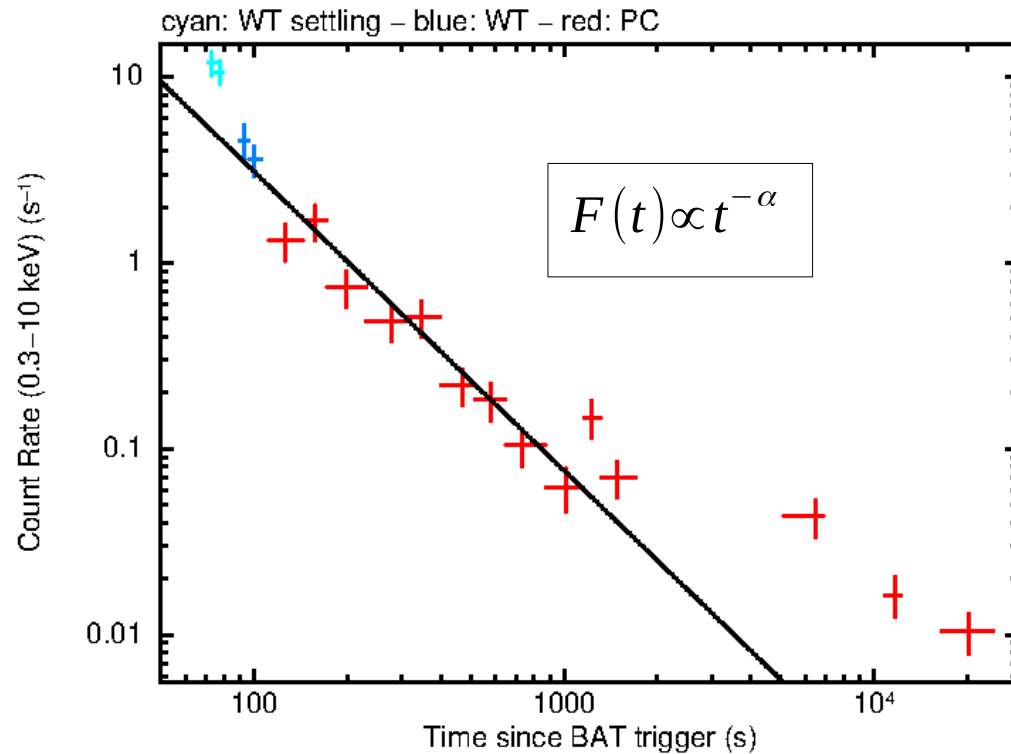


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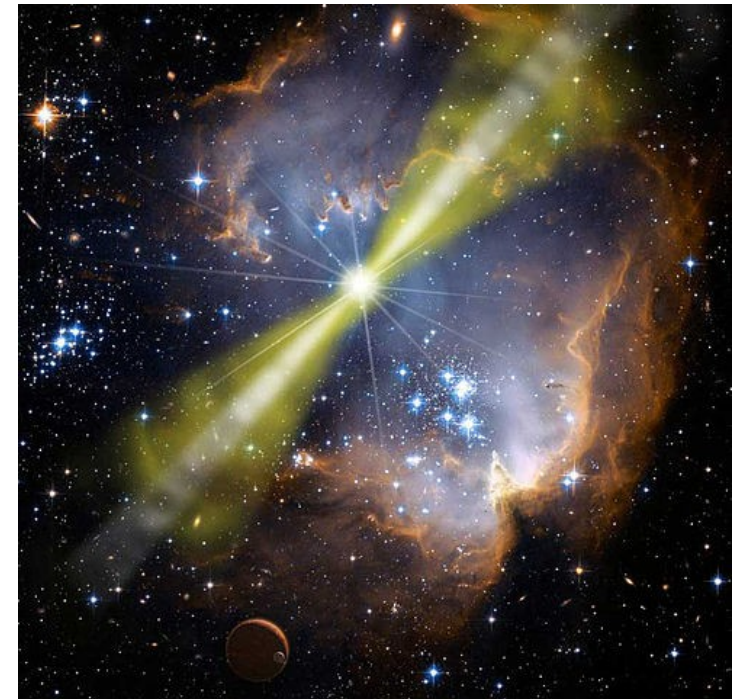
with Mathieu de Bony and Edna Ruiz Velasco

→ Gamma Ray Burst (GRB)

- transient events
- extragalactic sources (*isotropic distribution*)



GRB220306B light curve, fitted with a power law (Swift/XRT data)



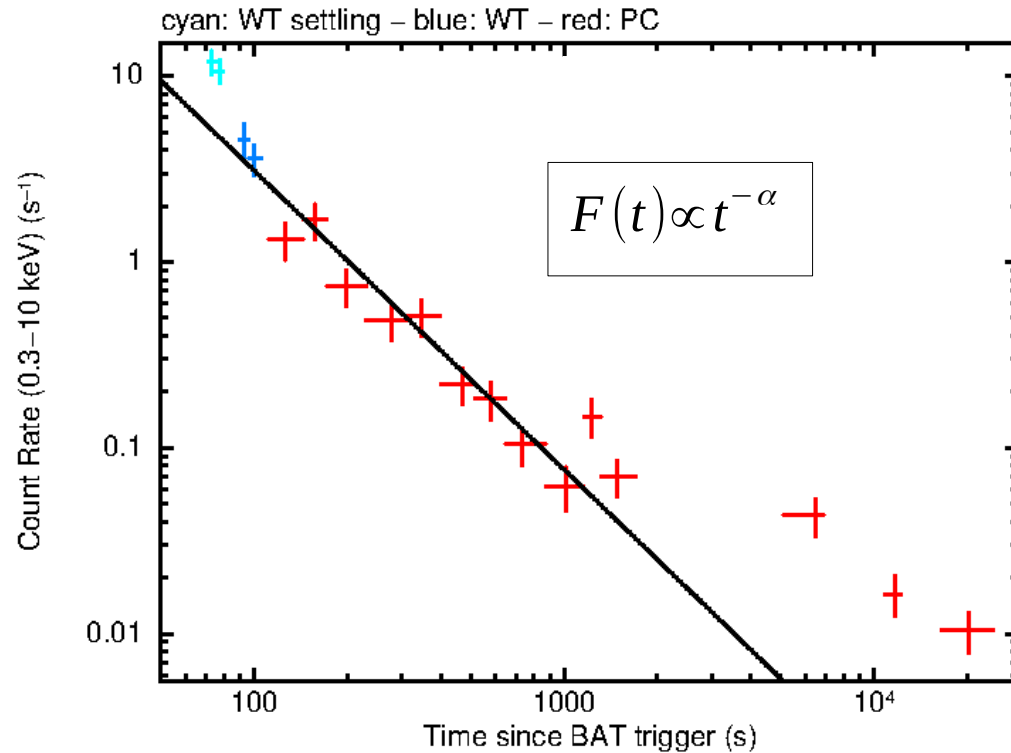
GRB artist impression

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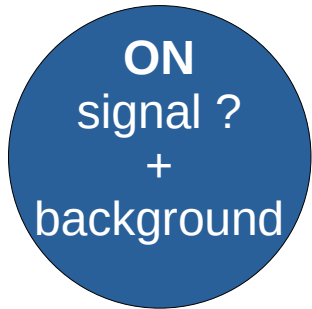
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Detecting transient phenomenon :
**one of the major objective for
CTAO**

=> adapt current analysis methods

Methods

→ observation of two regions



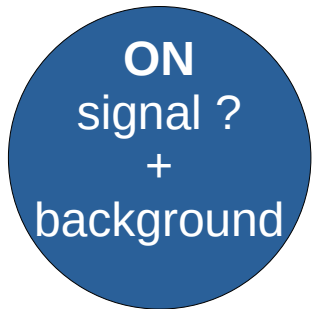
N_{ON} counts during T_{ON}



N_{OFF} counts during T_{OFF}

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Definition of background and signal

$$\bar{s} + \bar{b} = \frac{\langle N_{ON} \rangle}{T_{ON}}$$

$$\bar{b} = \frac{\langle N_{OFF} \rangle}{T_{OFF}}$$

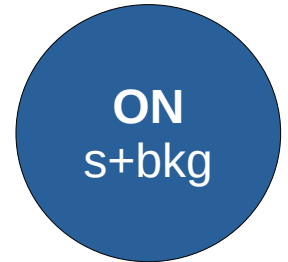
Methods

→ Classic Li&Ma:

Poisson laws

$$L = \underbrace{P(N_{ON} | \langle N_{ON} \rangle)}_{\text{blue underline}} \underbrace{P(N_{OFF} | \langle N_{OFF} \rangle)}_{\text{red underline}}$$

$$L = \frac{((\bar{s} + \bar{b}) T_{ON})^{N_{ON}}}{N_{ON}!} e^{-(\bar{s} + \bar{b}) T_{ON}} \frac{(\bar{b} T_{OFF})^{N_{OFF}}}{N_{OFF}!} e^{-\bar{b} T_{OFF}}$$



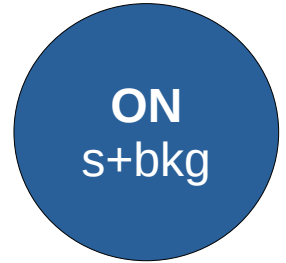
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→ Li&Ma time dependent:

$$L = \left(\prod_{t_i = (\Delta t, \dots, N \Delta t)} \frac{(\Delta t (b + s(t_i)))^{\{0,1\}}}{\{0,1\}!} e^{-\Delta t (b + s(t_i))} \right) \left(\frac{(b T_{OFF})^{N_{OFF}} e^{-b T_{OFF}}}{N_{OFF}!} \right)$$

product of the probability mass function for each T_{ON} bin (0 or 1 event, for a large N)
probability mass function for OFF observations

with $N \cdot \Delta t = T_{ON}$

Methods

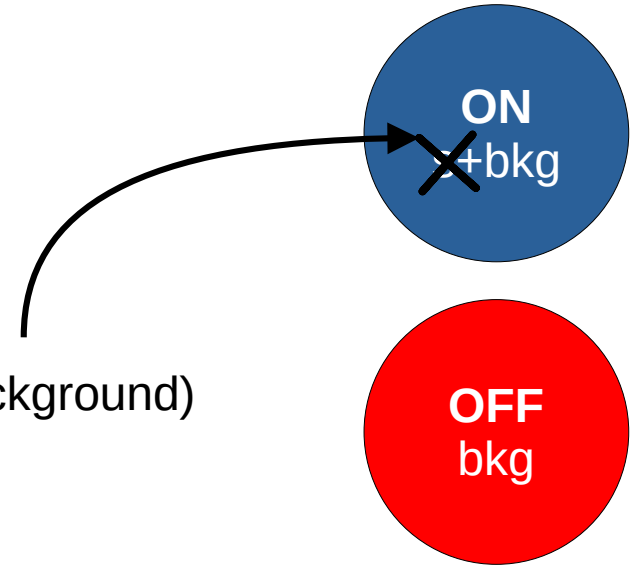
→ Perform ratio test: $TS = -2 \log\left(\frac{L_0}{L}\right)$

with L_0 , the likelihood of the null hypothesis (only background)

→ Compute significance of the source:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{TS}$$

=> $\sigma > 5$: detection !



First results

→ generate simulated bursts with parameters:

- delay
- **temporal index α**
- spectral index Γ
- normalization ϕ_0
- redshift z

Assuming:

- power law spectral model

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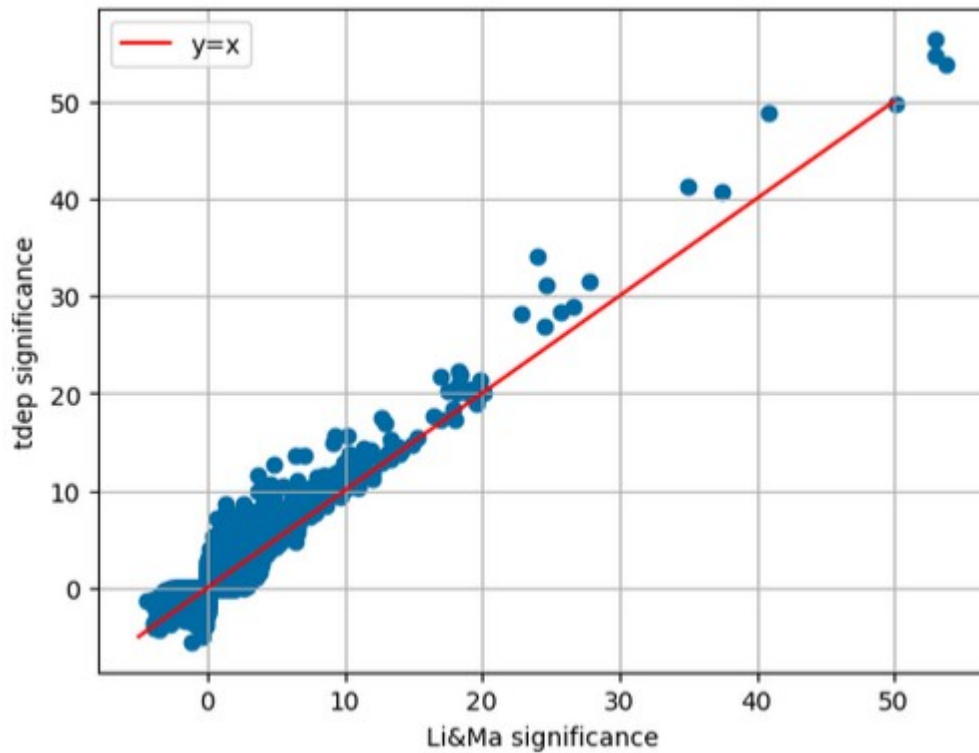
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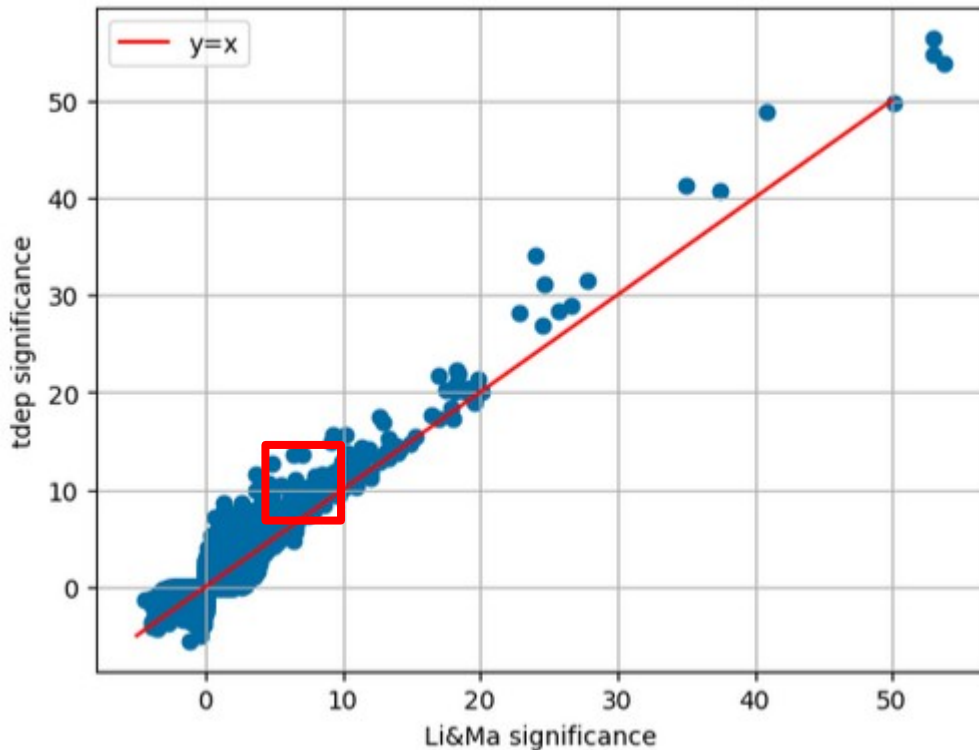
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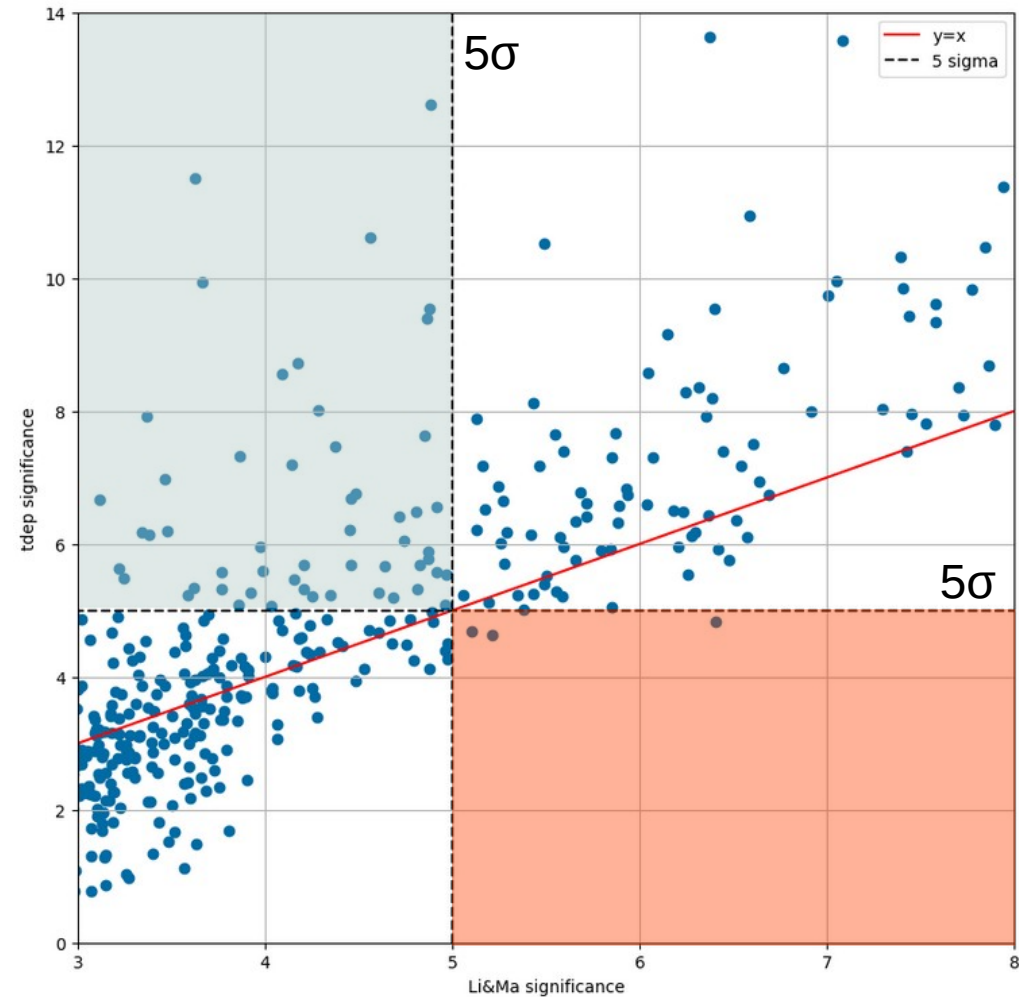
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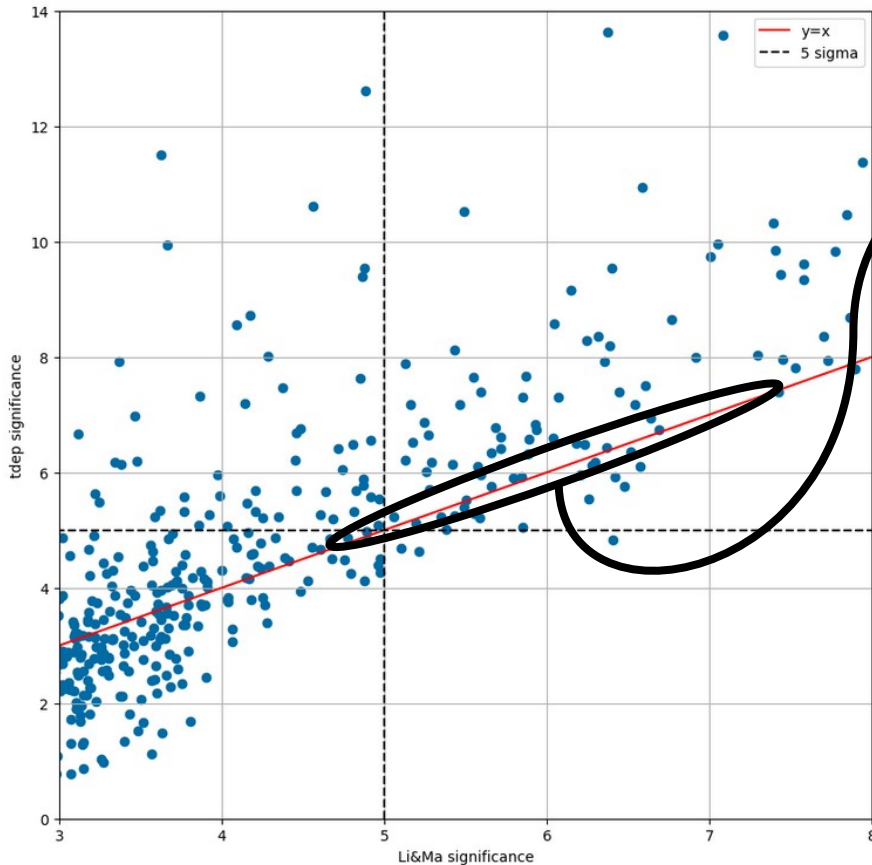
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Plot of the significance computed with *tdep* depending on the classic Li&Ma significance (zoom around 5σ)

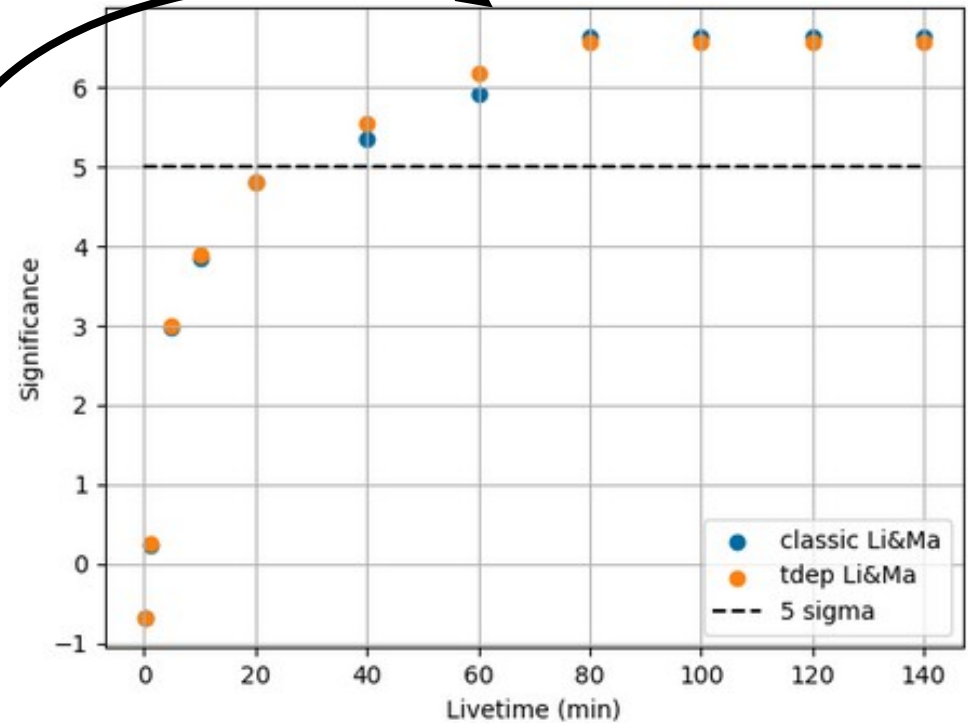
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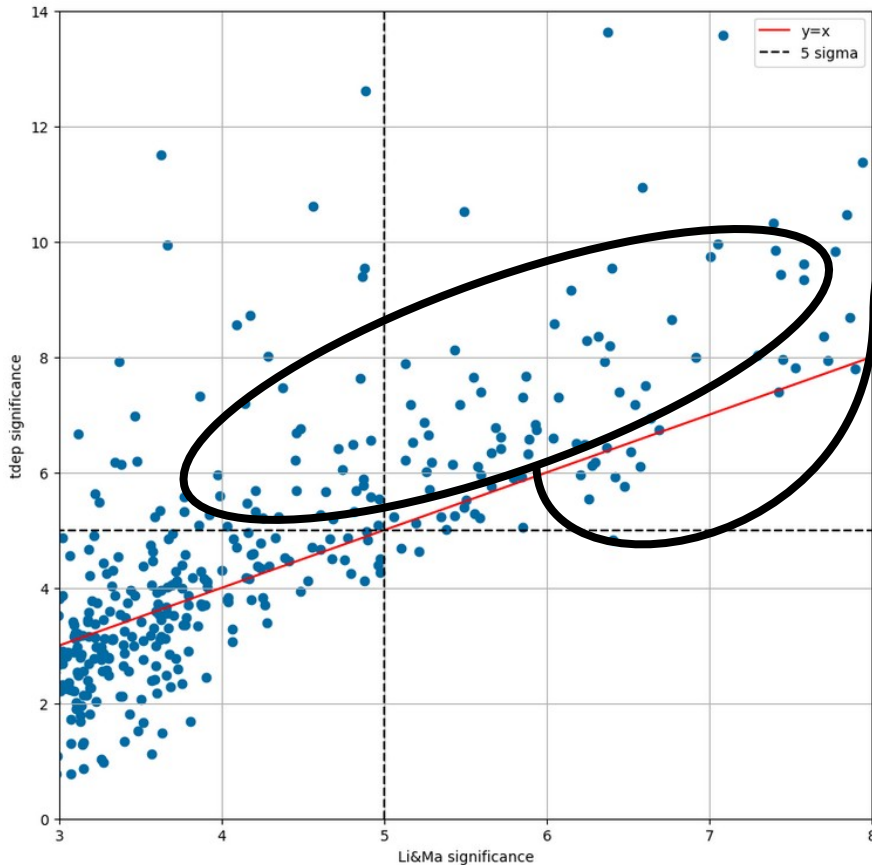
Similar behavior for both methods



Evolution of the significance depending on time, with both methods

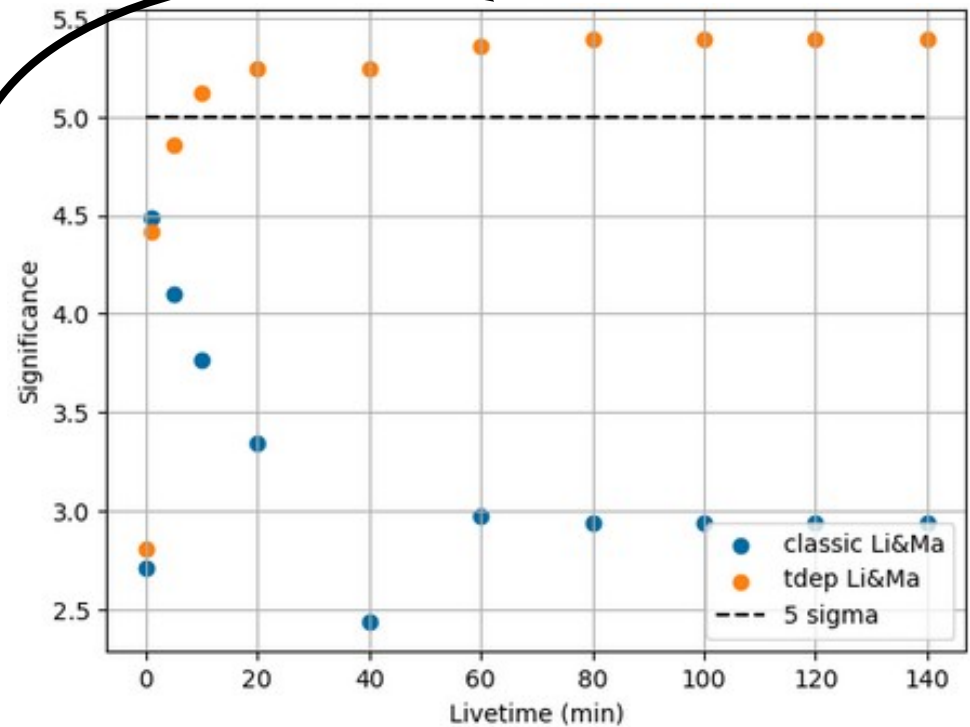
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Different behavior for both methods

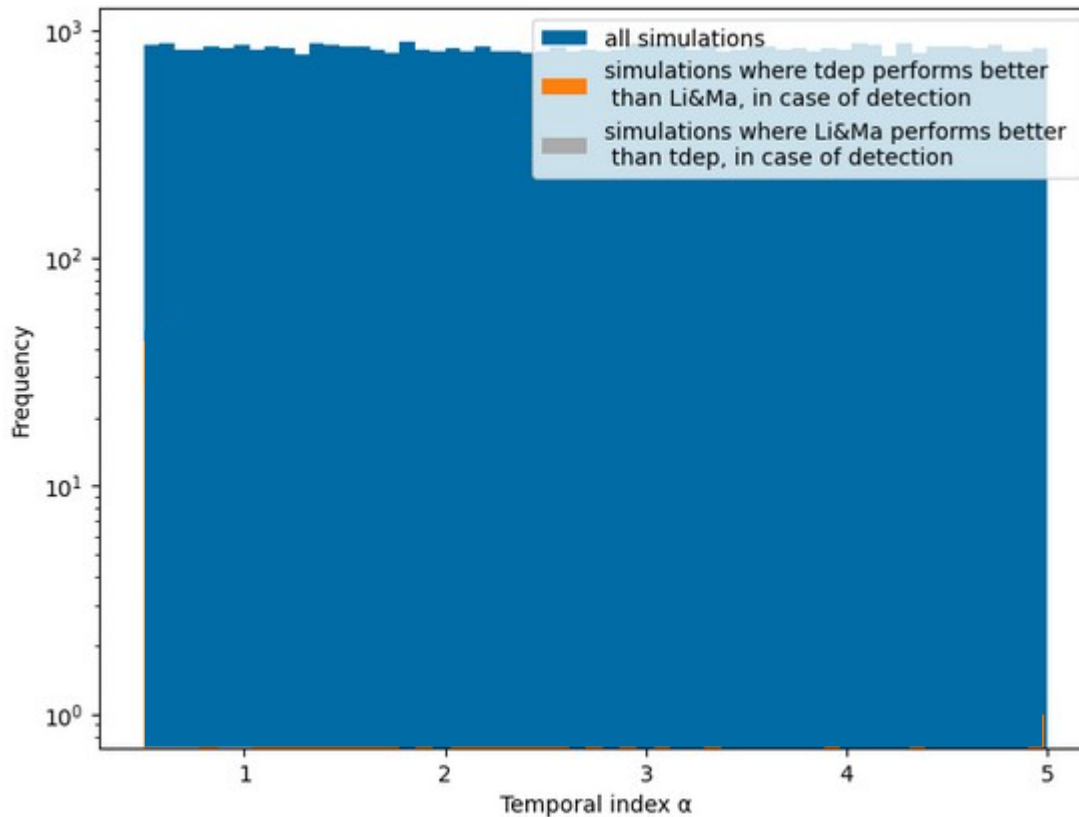


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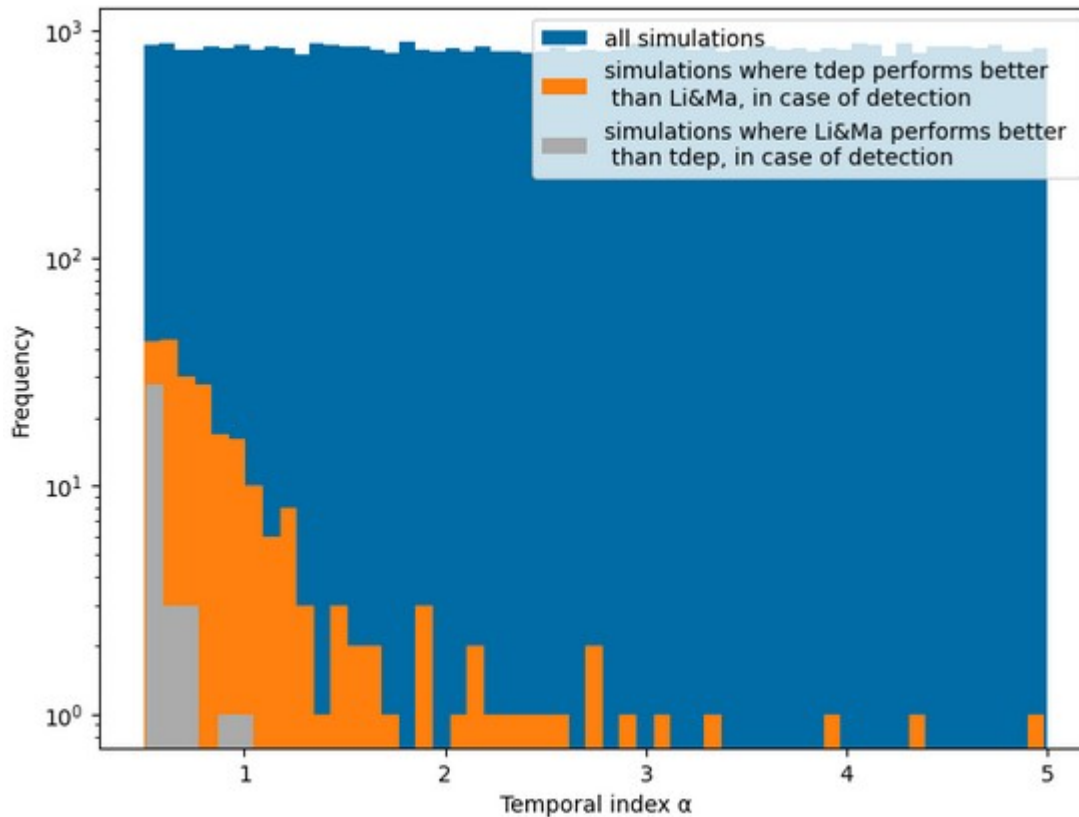


Distribution of the temporal index, for 50,000 simulations

First results

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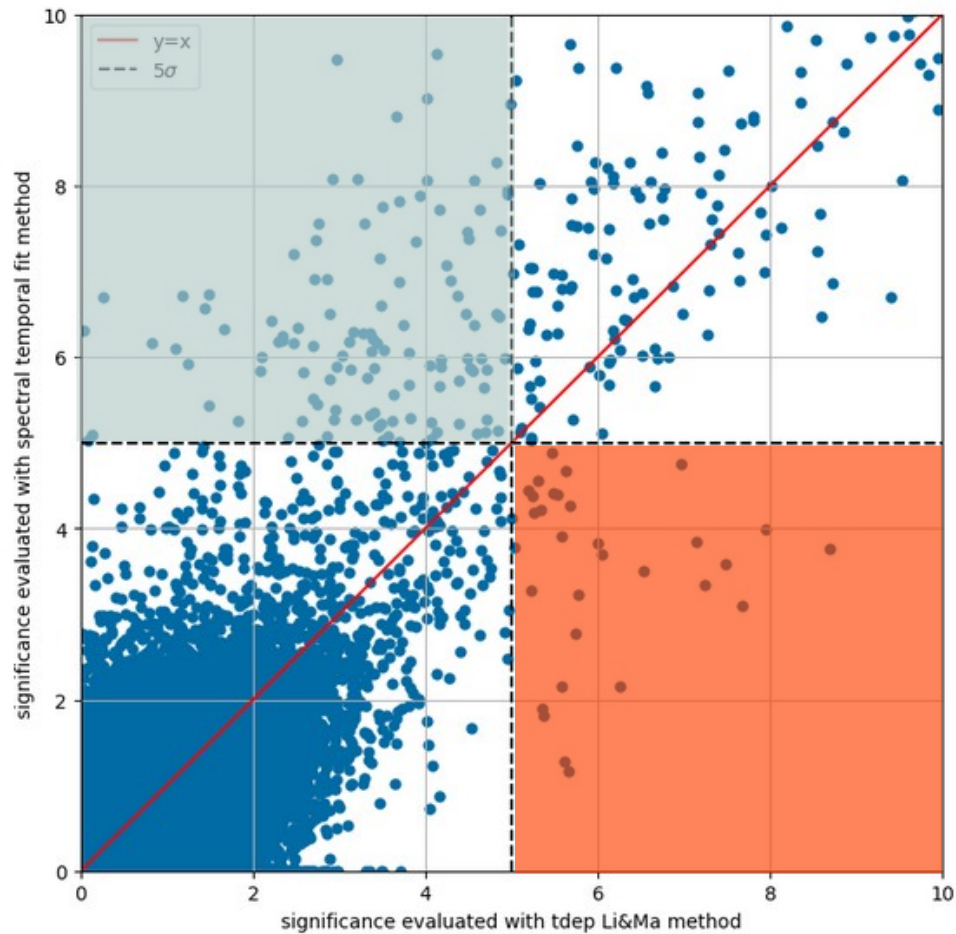
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Li&Ma time dependent performs better for GRBs with very **sharply temporal evolution** (i.e. high α)

Temporal evolution: $F(t) \propto t^{-\alpha}$

Coming soon...

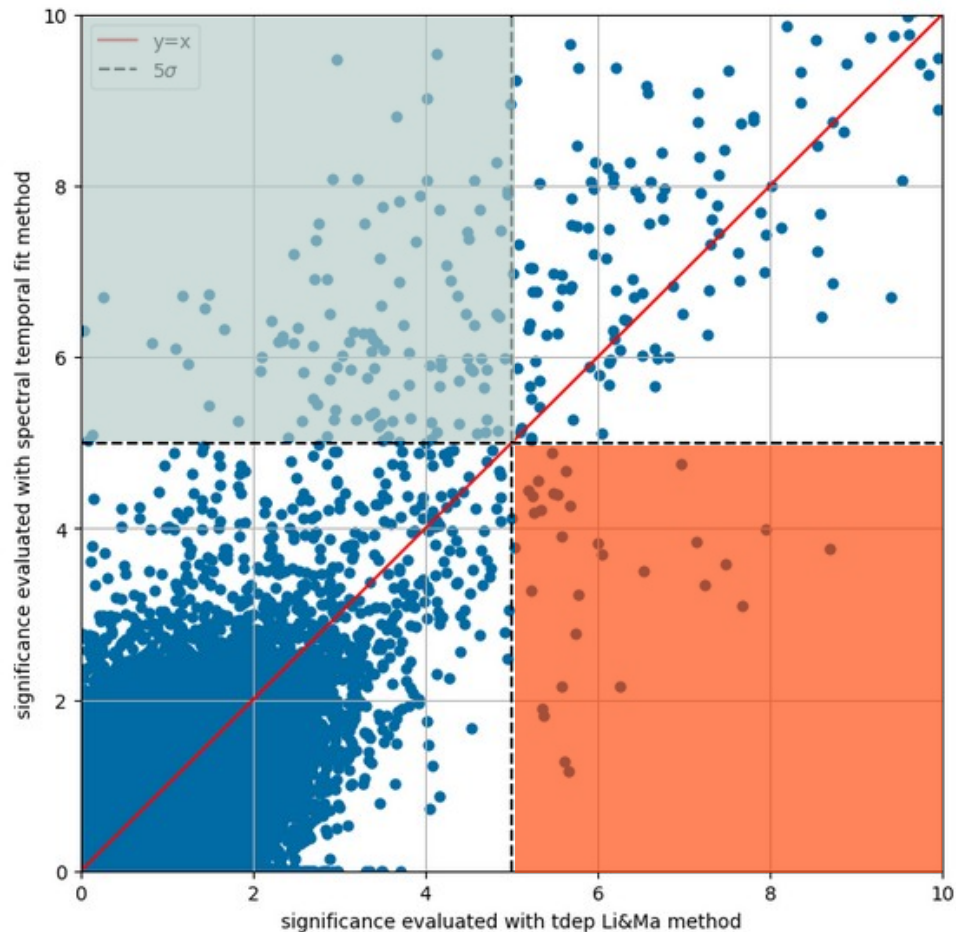
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SPECTRAL TEMPORAL FIT

→ appears to be performing better

→ still ~10% of the fit are failing



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Conclusion



Bending Model

- new bending model for the next LSTs
- calibration of new CDMs



Picture of the CTAO North site, with the 4 LSTs (September 2024)

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Gamma Ray Burst

- article on analysis methods
- article on GRB catalog



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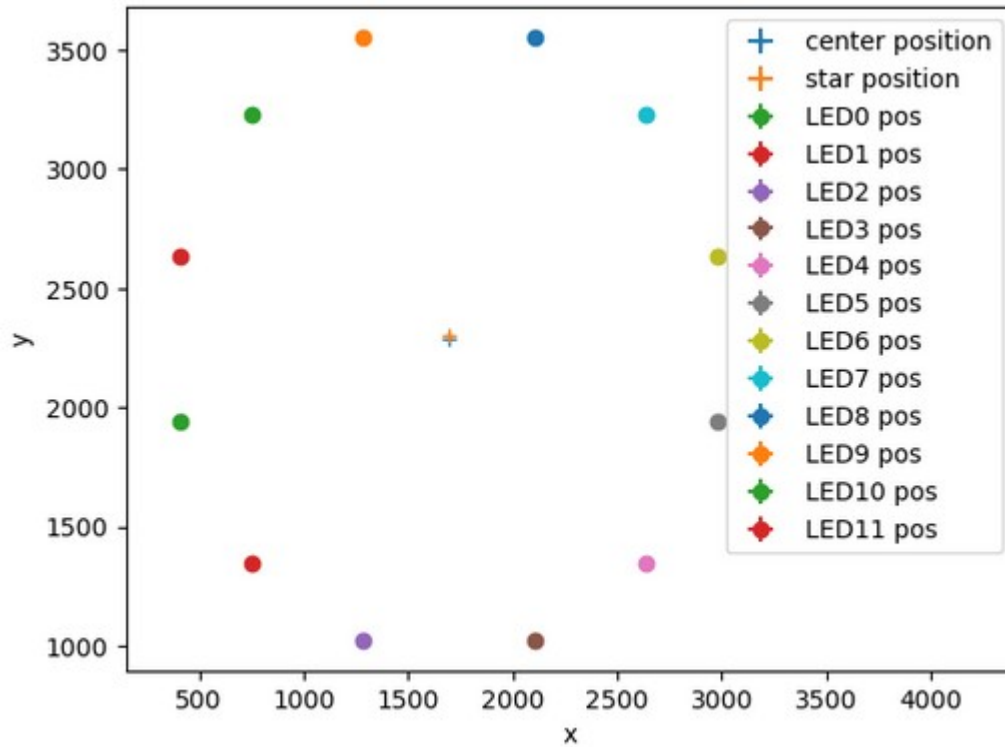
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Back up - Part I

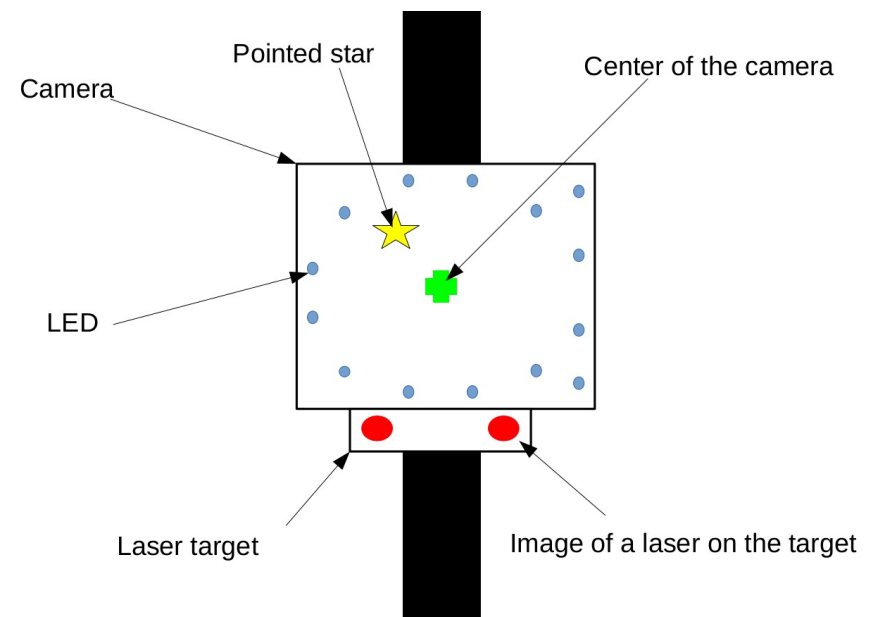
Bending Model



Working principle: fit the center of the camera with the LEDs



LEDs position in the camera plane



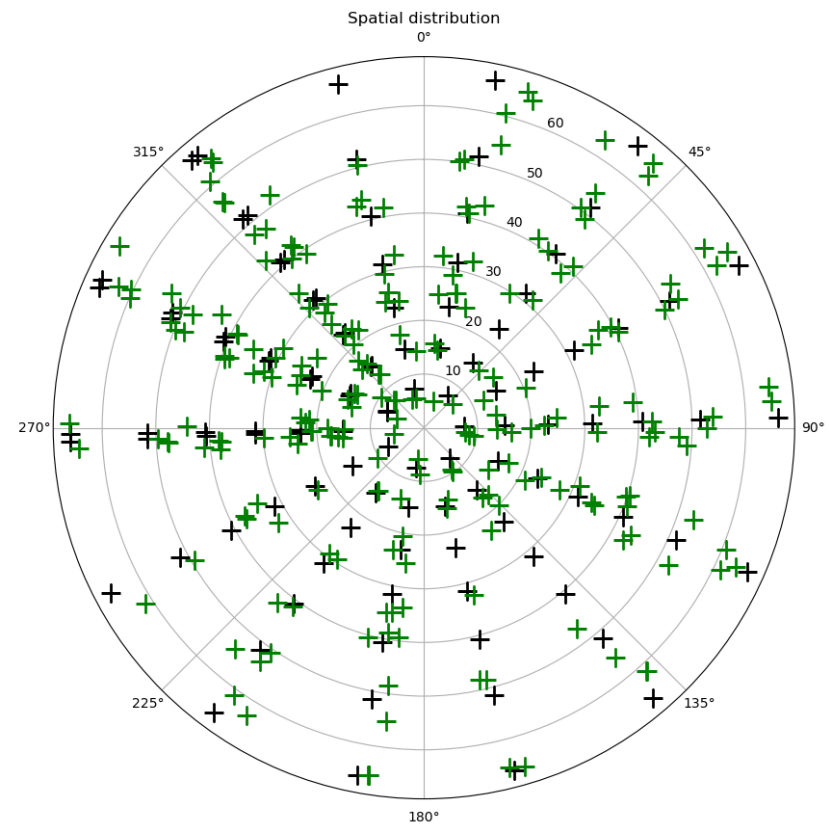
Sky grid: impact of a biased dataset

→ dataset used as a reference

- Conditions :
- correct repartition of the observations in the grid
 - rather short period
 - no OARL problems

Choice : from 1st of April to 1st of June

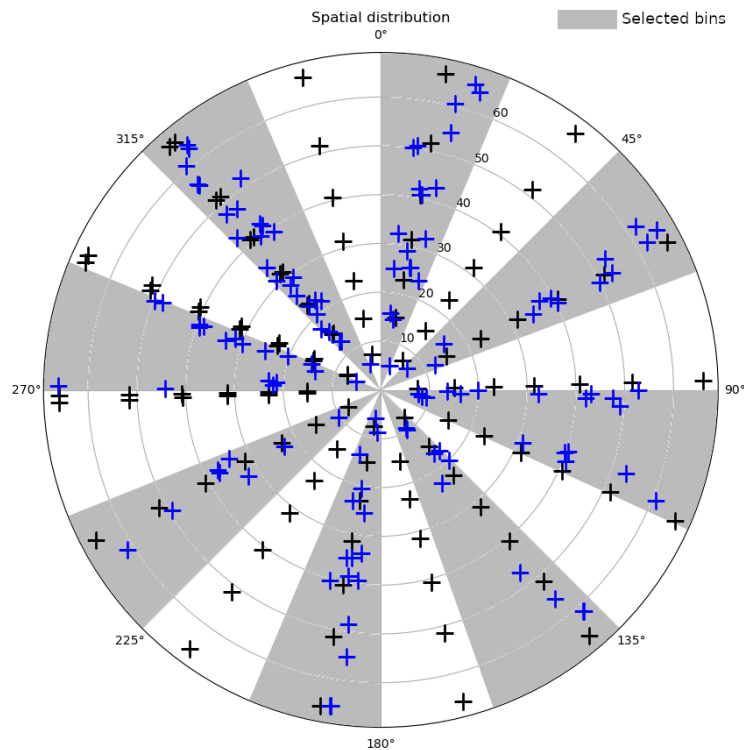
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AzNonVerticalityTheta	38.9776225	1.12350998	(2.88%)	37.4025104703328	-3600.00000	3600.00000	True
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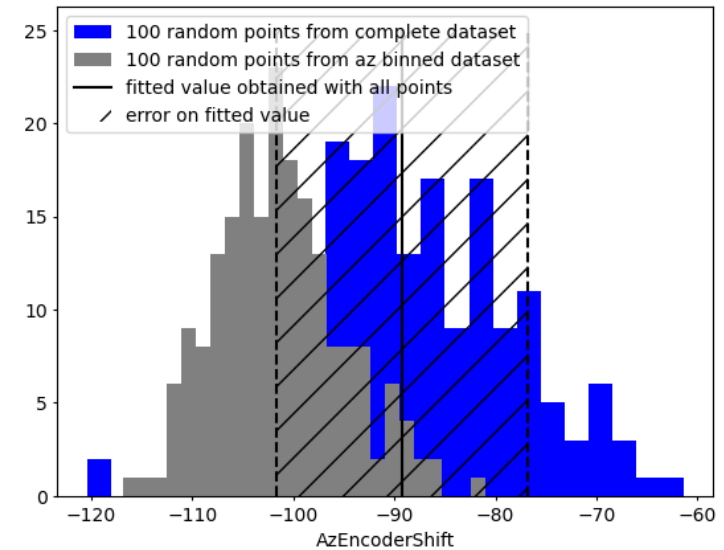
Observations grid for the selected period

Sky grid: impact of a biased dataset

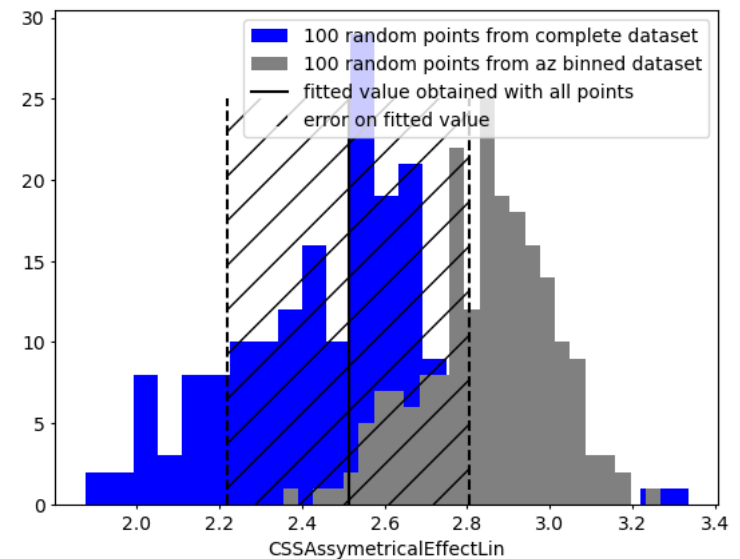
→ impact of a biased dataset on the mechanical model parameters



Grid for dataset with azimuth selection



Dispersion of the AzEncoderShift parameter values for both datasets

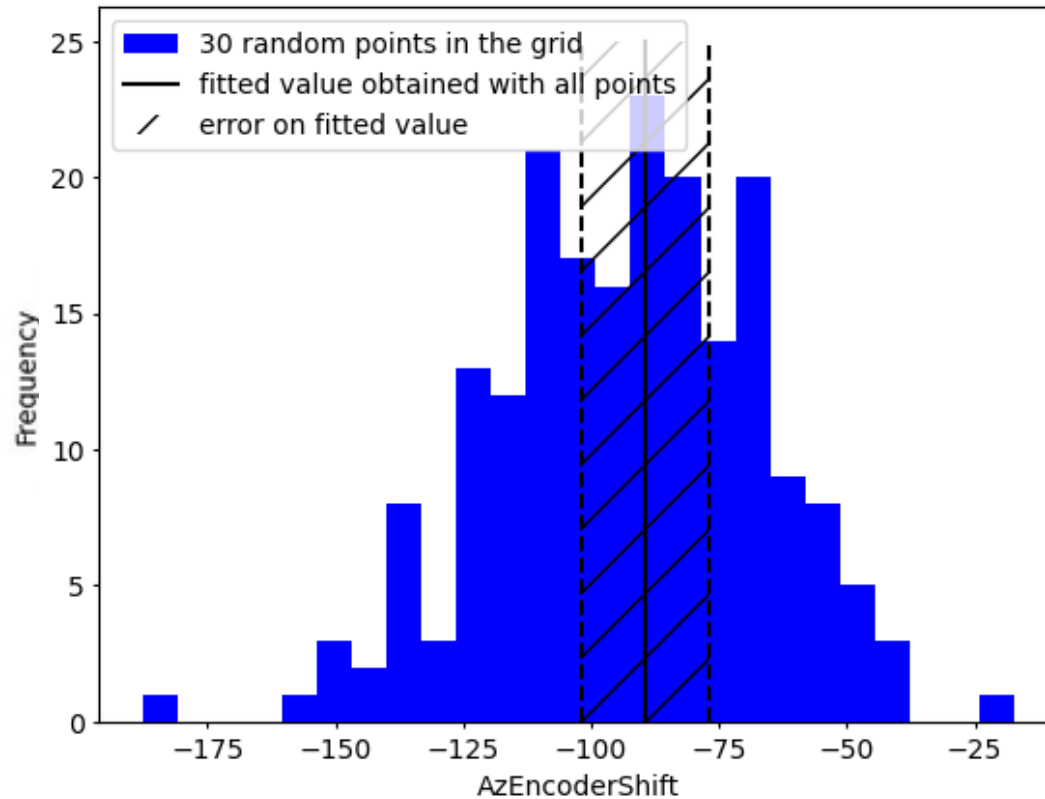


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Time optimization: impact of the number of observations

→ fit of the model parameters

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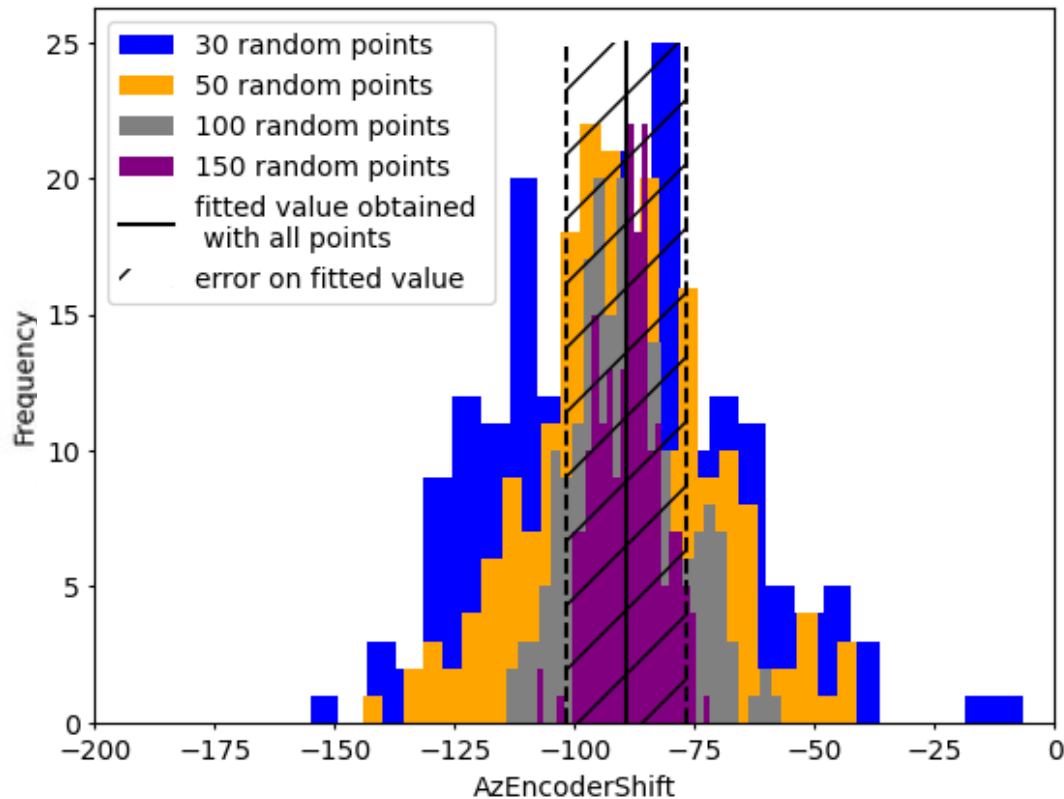


Distribution of the parameter values, fitted for different number of stars, for 200 random selection

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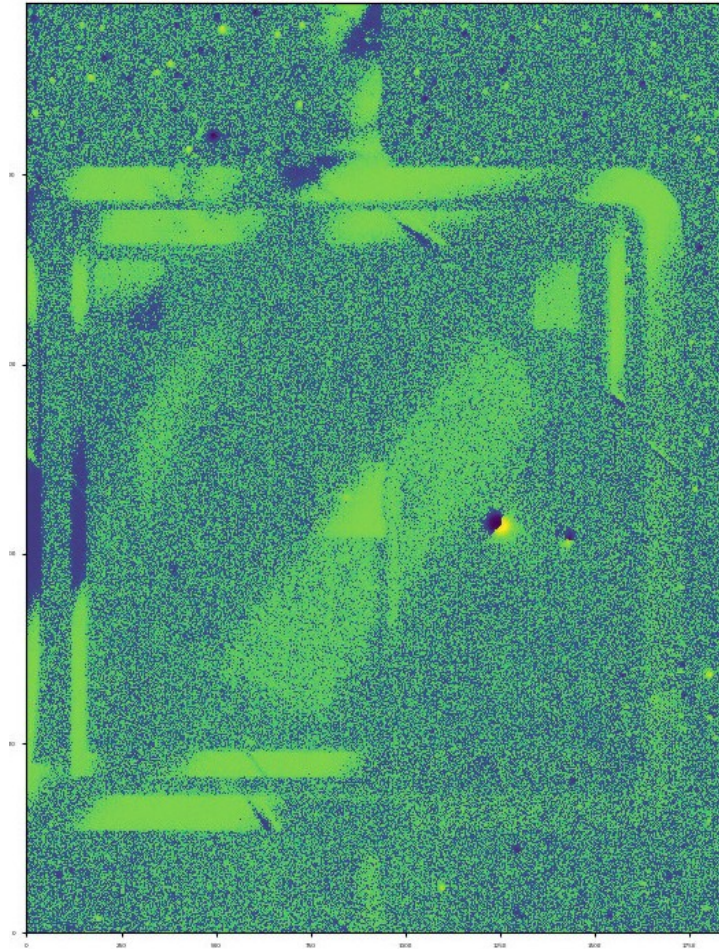
100 points in the sky grid seems to be a good approximation, for the fit of the parameters

Distribution of the parameter values, fitted for different number of stars, for 200 random selection

Time optimization: impact of the Moon

Some observations: failing

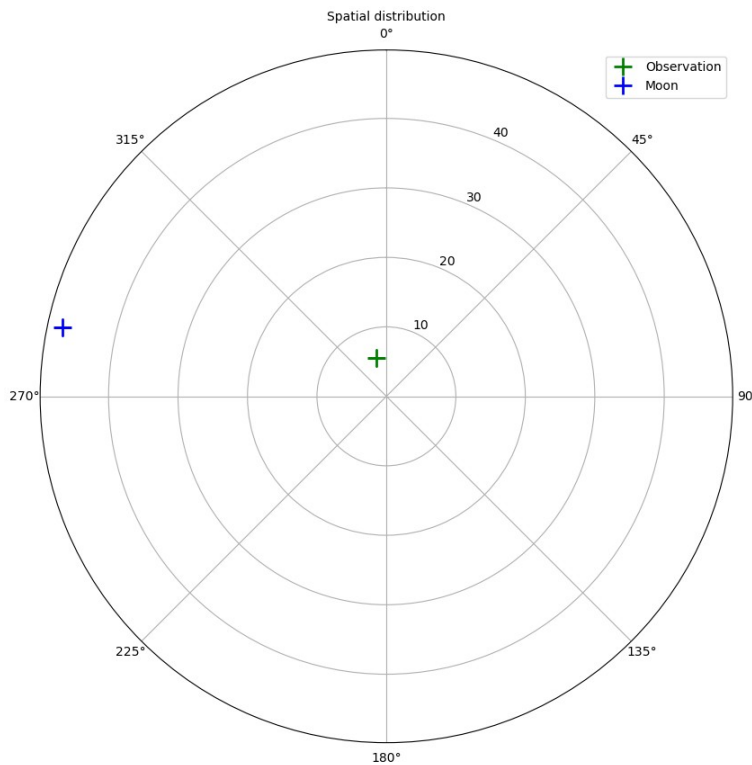
→ **does the Moon have an impact on the success of BM data taking ?**



Picture taken by the CDM, presenting strange effect due to parasite light

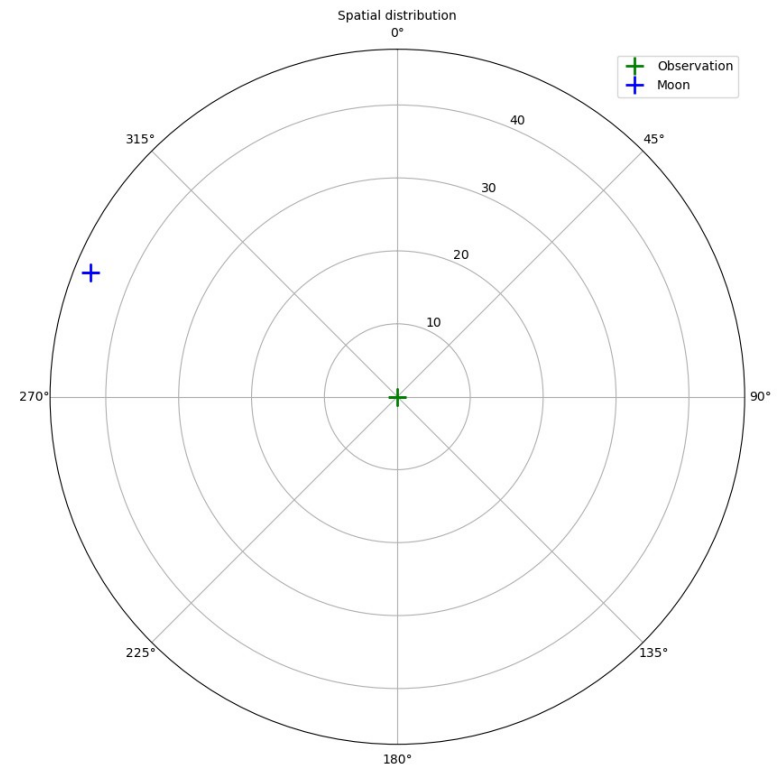
Time optimization: impact of the Moon

→ change of reference, with the example of BM observation 970



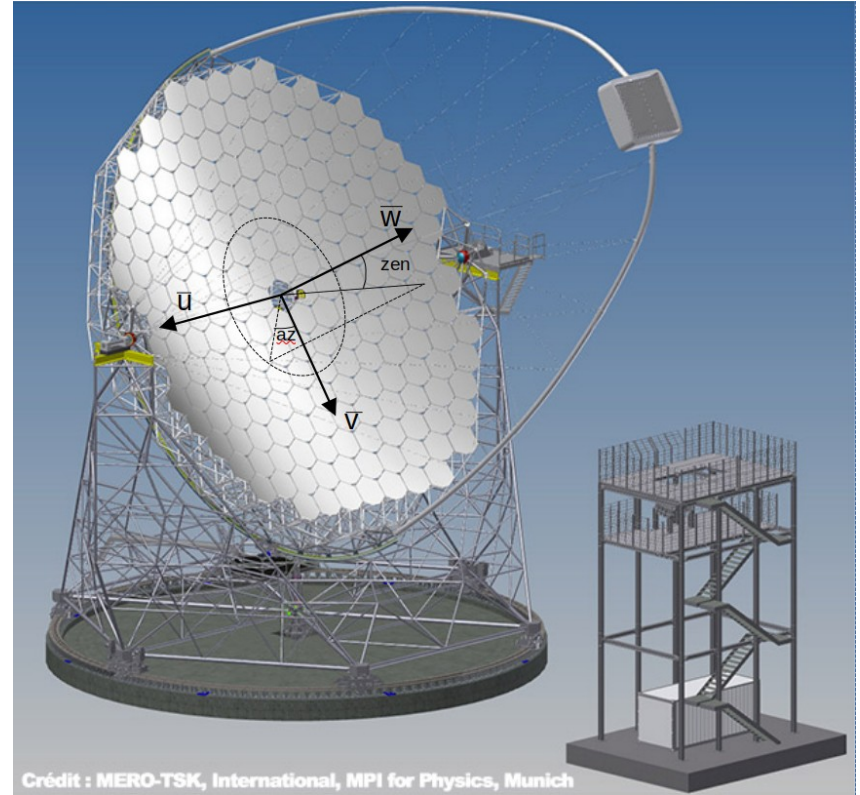
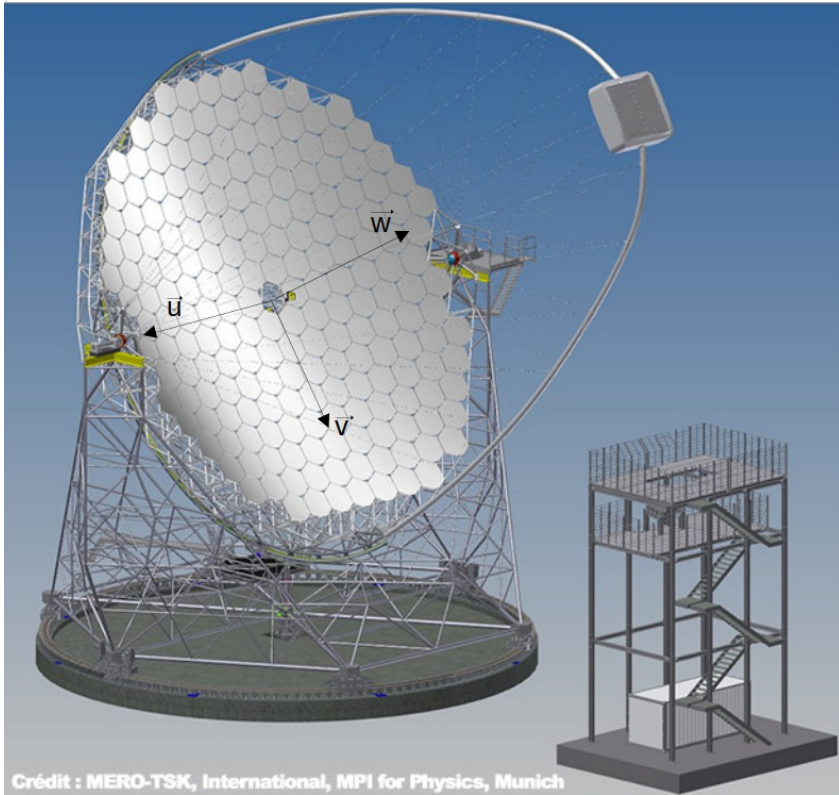
Pointing and Moon positions in the telescope reference for BM observation 970

applying the basis change



Pointing and Moon positions in the dish reference for BM observation 970

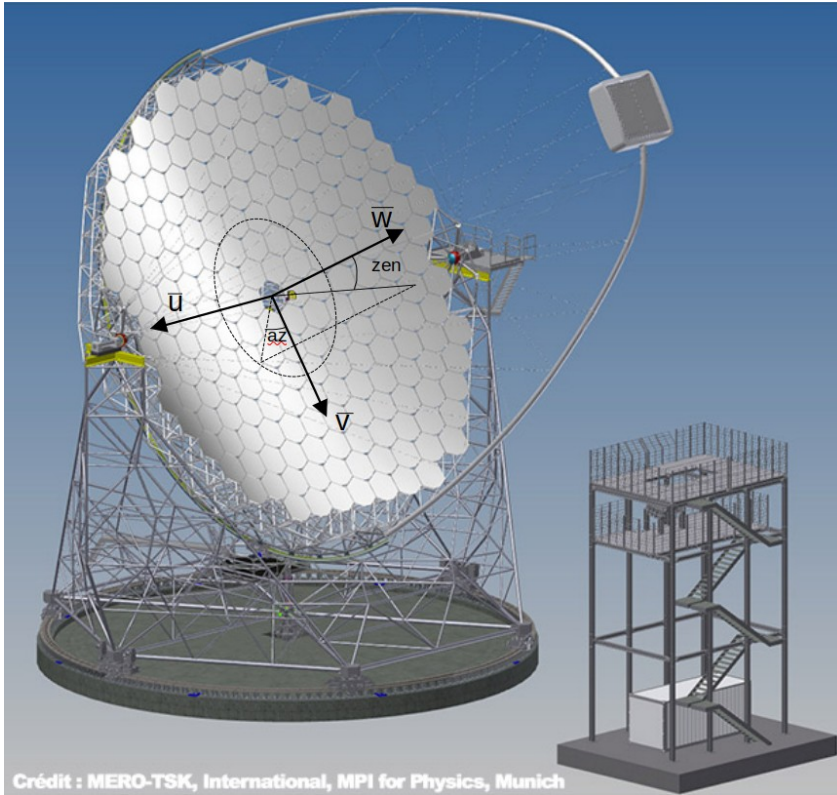
Time optimization: impact of the Moon



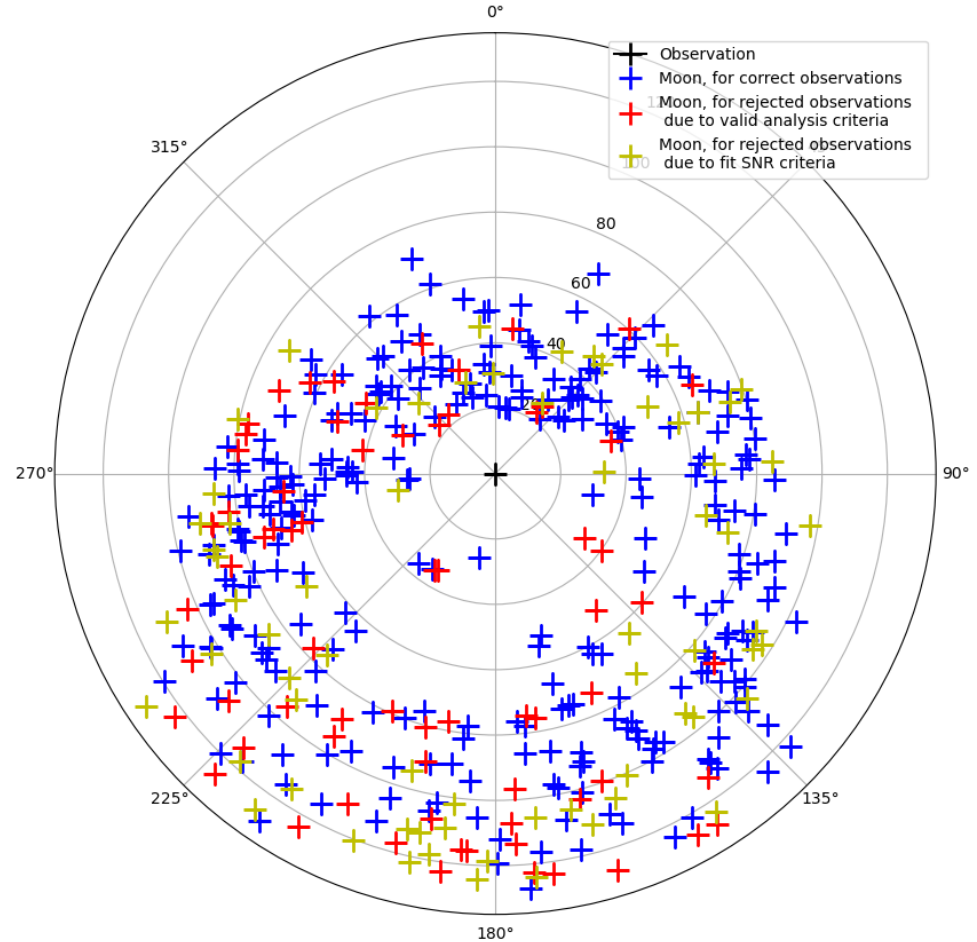
Change of reference for the study

Telescope reference → Dish reference

Time optimization: impact of the Moon



Pointing reference, useful for the stacking of relative Moon position

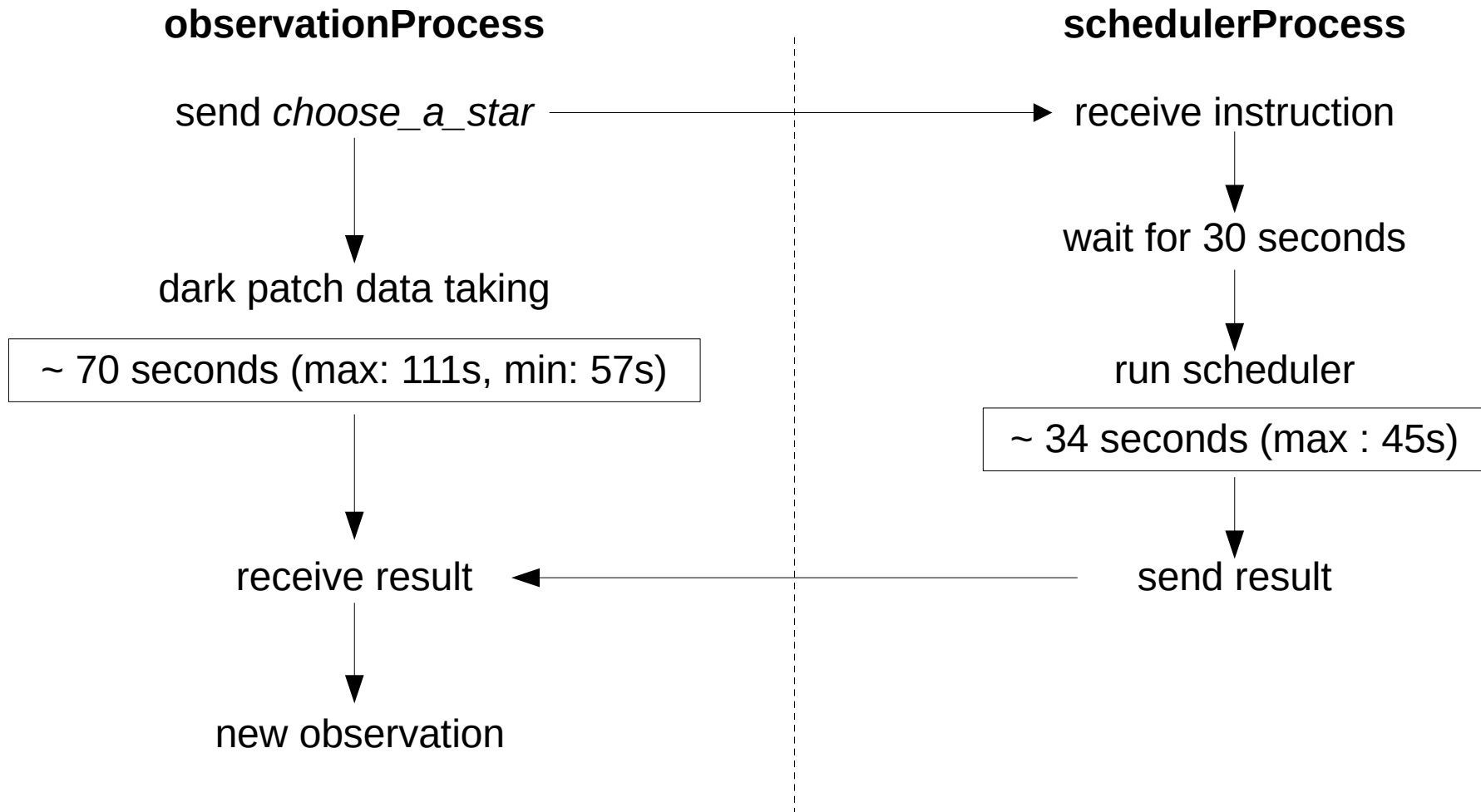


Spatial distribution of the Moon position (for correct and rejected observations), in the dish reference

Bending model data taking can be done in Moon condition

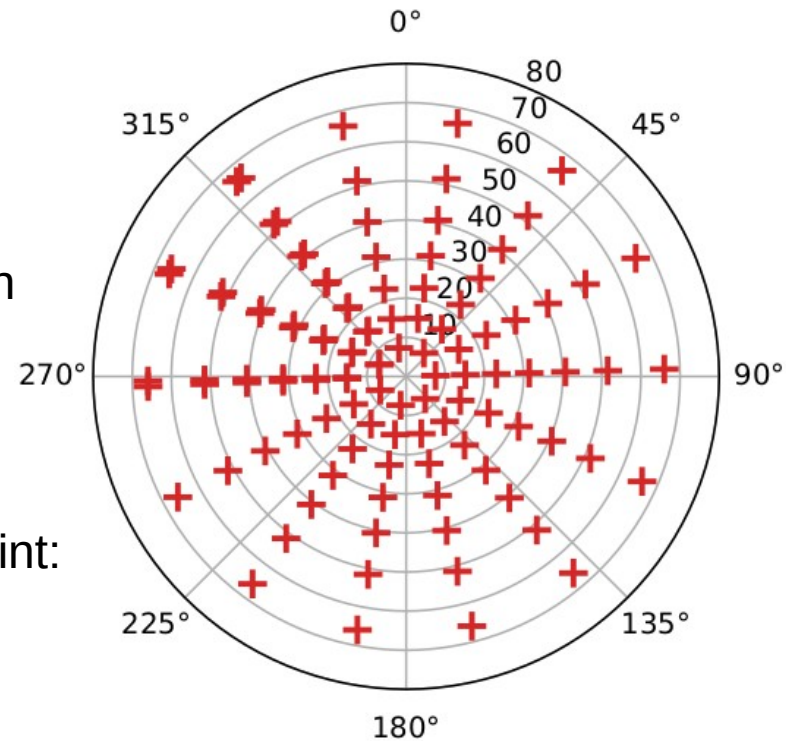
Time optimization: scheduler process

→ 2 processes communicating via a pipe



Time optimization: scheduler process

- objective : recent full-sky view
- how does scheduler works ?
 - associate each point with a priority (depending on the date of the last acquisition)
 - determine if there is a valid star for each point
 - select the star for each star region around the point:
 - altitude in observable range
 - distance with the Moon
 - no other star that could be detected
 - dark patch at 2°
 - compute observation time for each star (depending on star magnitude and position)





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Back up - Part II

GRB analysis



Time dependent Li&Ma: method

$$L = \left(\prod_{t_i = (\Delta t, \dots, N\Delta t)} \frac{(\Delta t (b + s(t_i)))^{\{0,1\}}}{\{0,1\}!} e^{-\Delta t (b + s(t_i))} \right) \left(\frac{(b T_{OFF})^{N_{OFF}}}{N_{OFF}!} e^{-b T_{OFF}} \right)$$

→ Definition of the signal: $s(t) = \theta f(t)$

→ Only 1 free parameter: amplitude of the signal θ

because b is defined with the identity: $b \frac{\partial \log L}{\partial b}(\theta) + \theta \frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \theta}(\theta) = 0$

→ Maximize the likelihood by finding the root of the partial derivative:

$$\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial b}(\theta) = \frac{N_{OFF}}{b} + \sum_{t_i \in t_{ON}} \frac{1}{b + \theta f(t_i)} - (T_{ON} + T_{OFF})$$

Time dependent Li&Ma: method

→ Evaluating the likelihood:

$$L = \left(\prod_{t_i = (\Delta t, \dots, N\Delta t)} \frac{(\Delta t (b + s(t_i)))^{\{0,1\}}}{\{0,1\}!} e^{-\Delta t (b + s(t_i))} \right) \left(\frac{(b T_{OFF})^{N_{OFF}}}{N_{OFF}!} e^{-b T_{OFF}} \right)$$

→ Simplification of the likelihood:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} L = \left(\Delta t^{N_{ON}} \prod_{t_i \in \{t_{ON}\}} (b + s(t_i)) \right) \frac{(b T_{OFF})^{N_{OFF}}}{N_{OFF}!} e^{-b(T_{OFF} + T_{ON}) - \int_0^{T_{ON}} dt s(t)}$$

→ With the identity:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} L = \left(\Delta t^{N_{ON}} \prod_{t_i \in \{t_{ON}\}} (b + s(t_i)) \right) \frac{(b T_{OFF})^{N_{OFF}}}{N_{OFF}!} e^{-(N_{OFF} + N_{ON})}$$

Time dependent Li&Ma: method

→ Evaluating the significance: $TS = -2 \log\left(\frac{L_0}{L}\right)$ $\sigma = \sqrt{TS}$

with
$$L_0 = \frac{e^{-\bar{b}_0 T_{ON}} (\bar{b}_0 T_{ON})^{N_{ON}}}{N_{ON}!} \frac{e^{-\bar{b}_0 T_{OFF}} (\bar{b}_0 T_{OFF})^{N_{OFF}}}{N_{OFF}!}$$

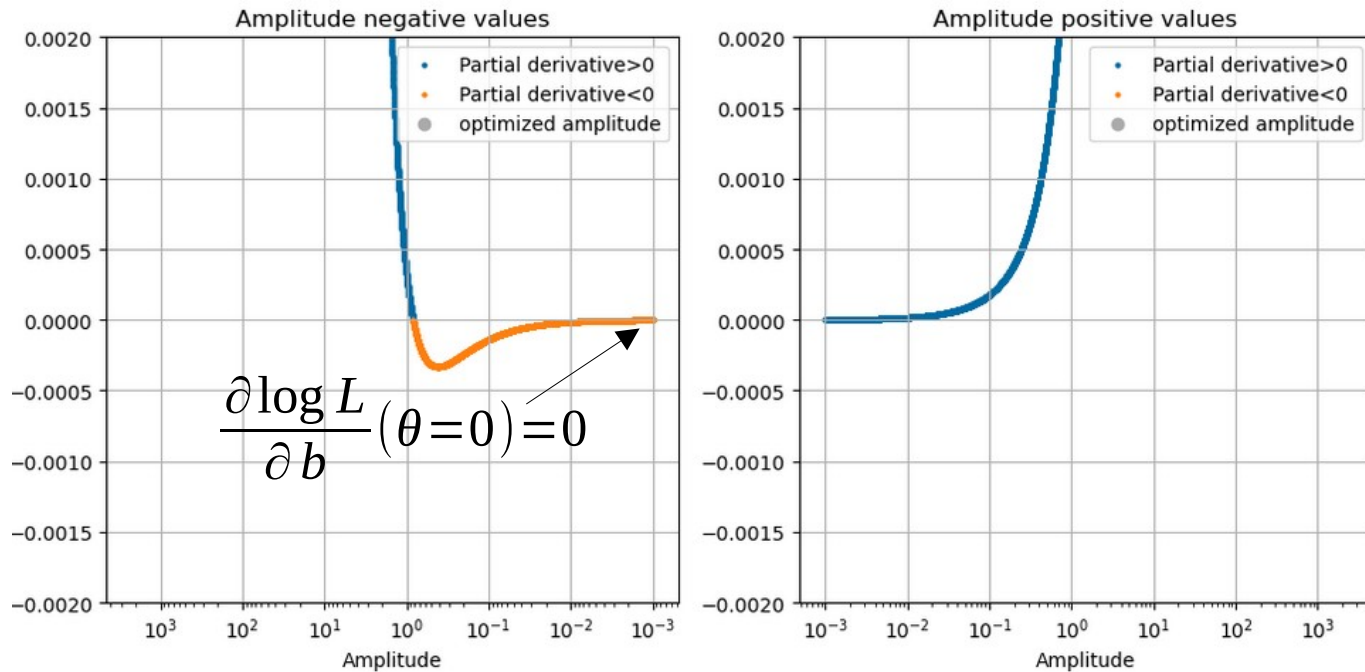
$$L = (\Delta t^{N_{ON}} \prod_{t_i \in \{t_{ON}\}} (b + s(t_i))) \frac{(b T_{OFF})^{N_{OFF}}}{N_{OFF}!} e^{-(N_{OFF} + N_{ON})}$$

and
$$b_0 = \frac{N_{ON} + N_{OFF}}{T_{ON} + T_{OFF}} \quad b = \frac{N_{ON} + N_{OFF} - \theta \int_0^{T_{ON}} dt f(t)}{T_{ON} + T_{OFF}} \quad s(t) = \theta f(t) \quad f(t) = t^{-1}$$

Time dependent Li&Ma: method

→ optimization issue

$$\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial b}(\theta) = \frac{N_{OFF}}{b} + \sum_{t_i \in t_{ON}} \frac{1}{b + \theta f(t_i)} - (T_{ON} + T_{OFF})$$

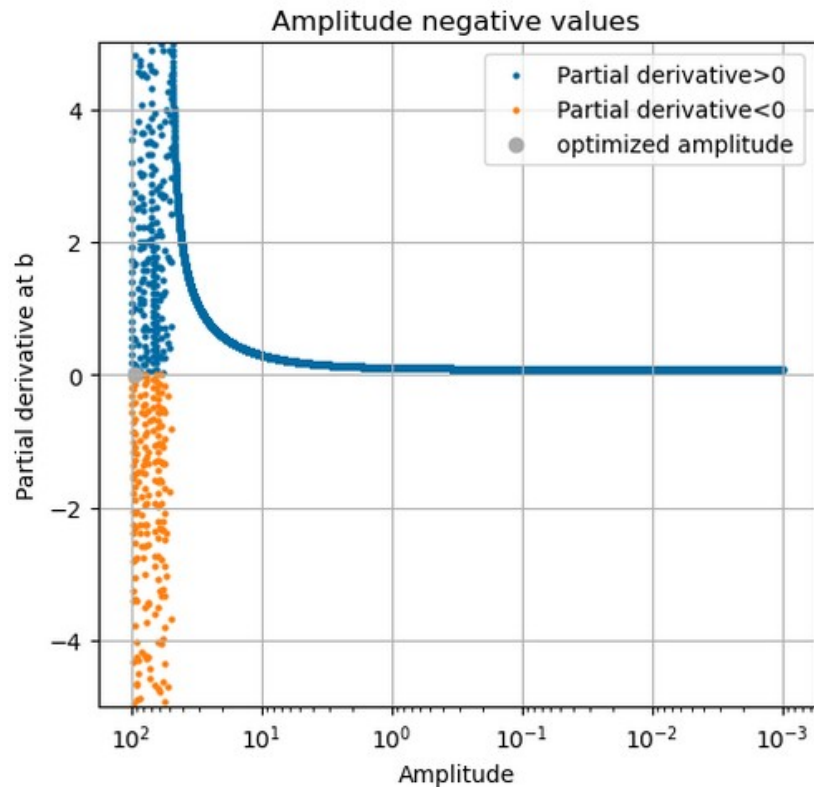


Plot of the partial derivative of the likelihood, depending on the amplitude of the signal

=> Need, in some cases, a negative amplitude

Time dependent Li&Ma: method

→ optimization issue



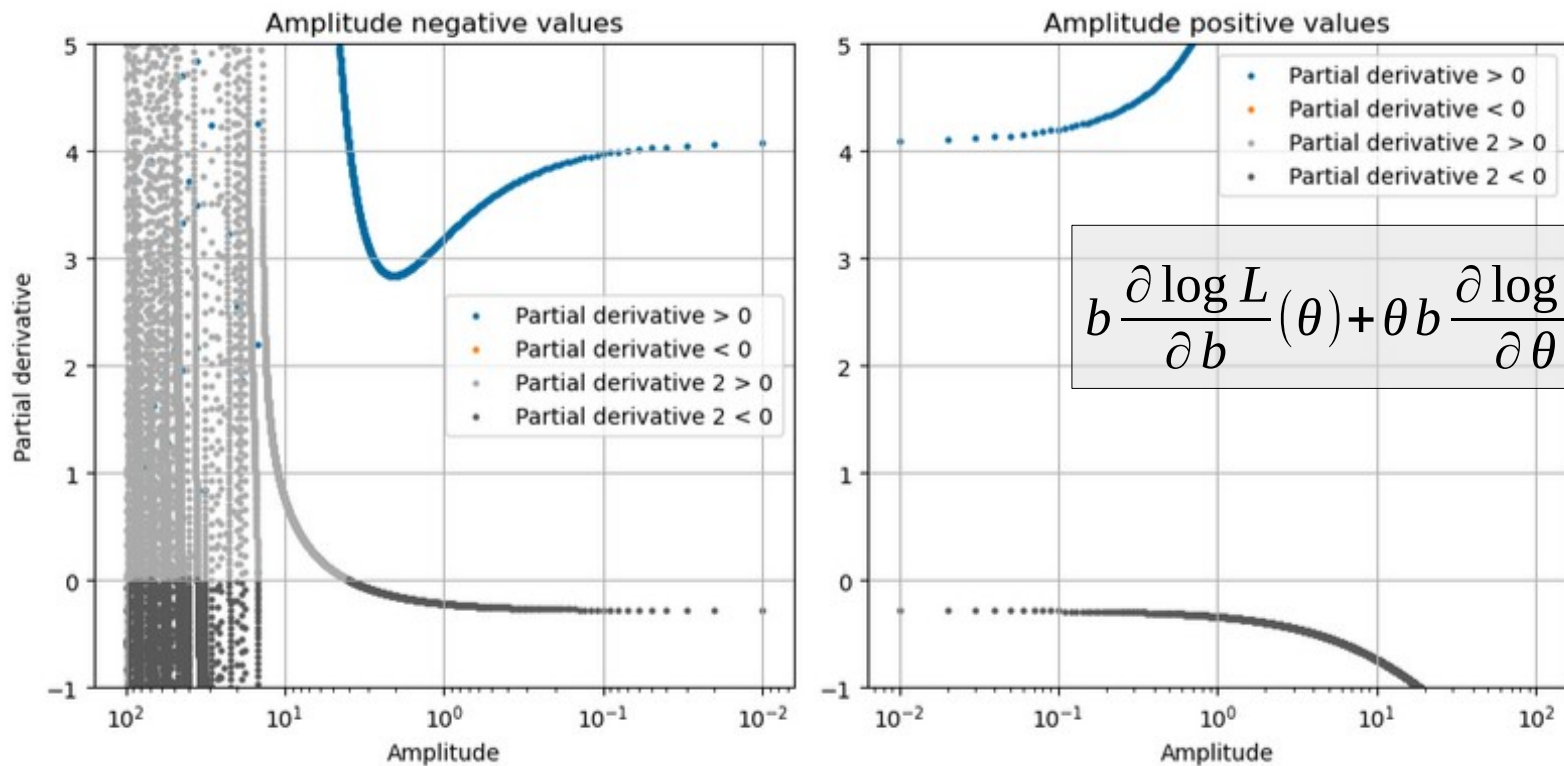
Plot of the partial derivative of the likelihood, depending on the amplitude of the signal, in the case of divergence with negative amplitude

In some cases, divergence for negative amplitude values

→ choose carefully the range

Time dependent Li&Ma: method

→ no root for ~0.7% of the analysis



Both partial derivative of log likelihood at b and θ , in the case where the identity is not respected

Spectral Temporal Fit: method (developed by Mathieu)

→ spectral temporal fit

- fit data with base model (no emission)
- fit data with spectral model
- fit data with temporal model
- fit data with complete model (spectral + temporal)
- evaluate significance of the complete model vs base model