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# Polarisation cut performances

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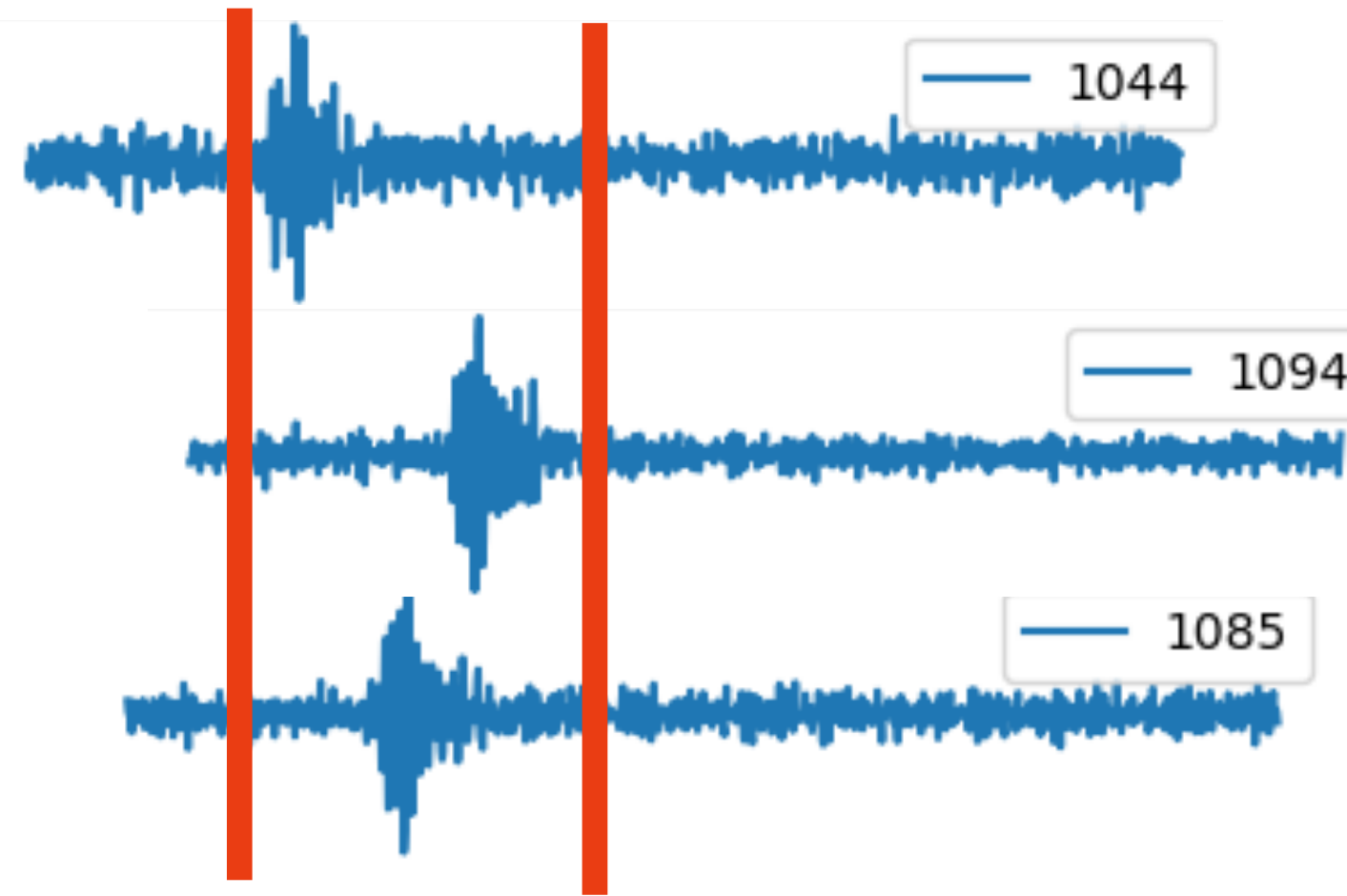
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# Pipeline overview

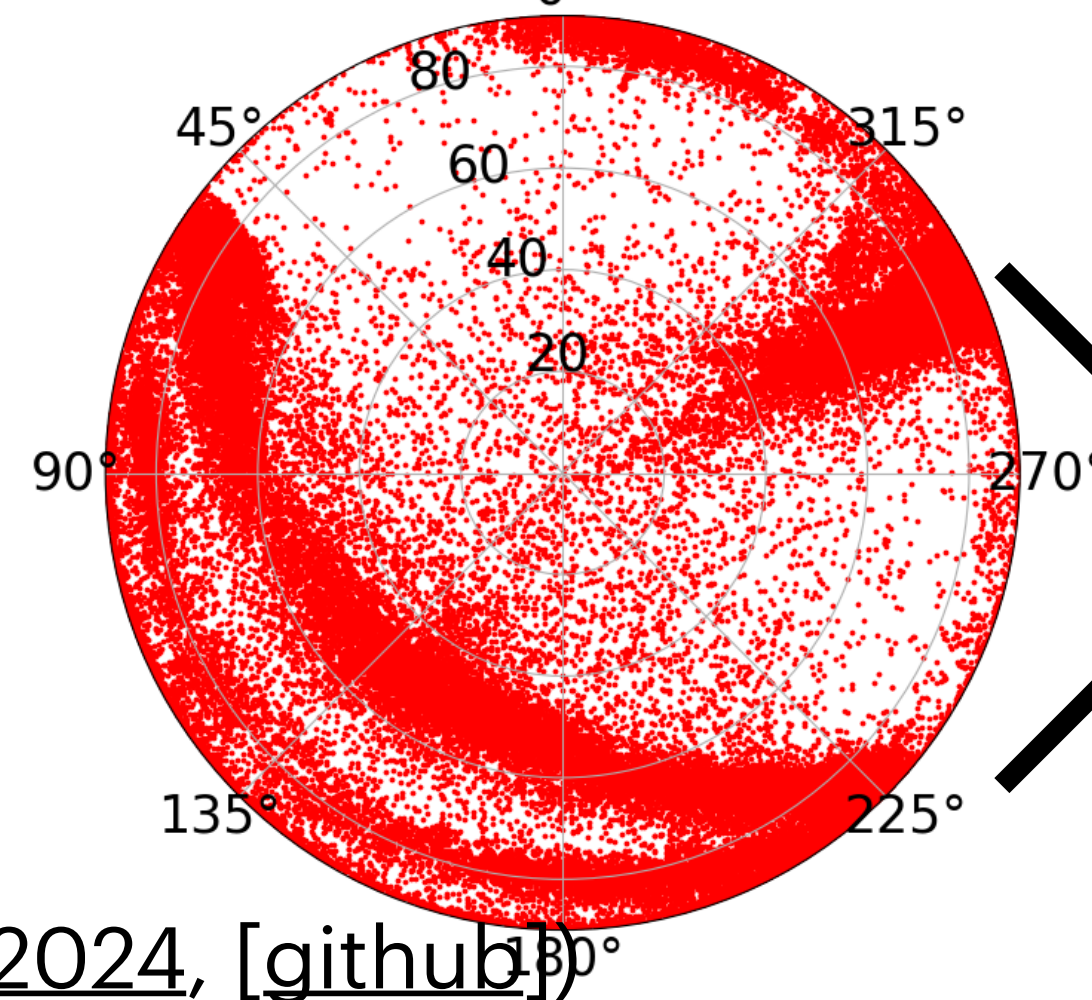
## Getting CD events



## Plane Wave Front reconstruction

Result in  $\theta$  and  $\varphi$

(Ferriere et al. 2024, [\[github\]](#))



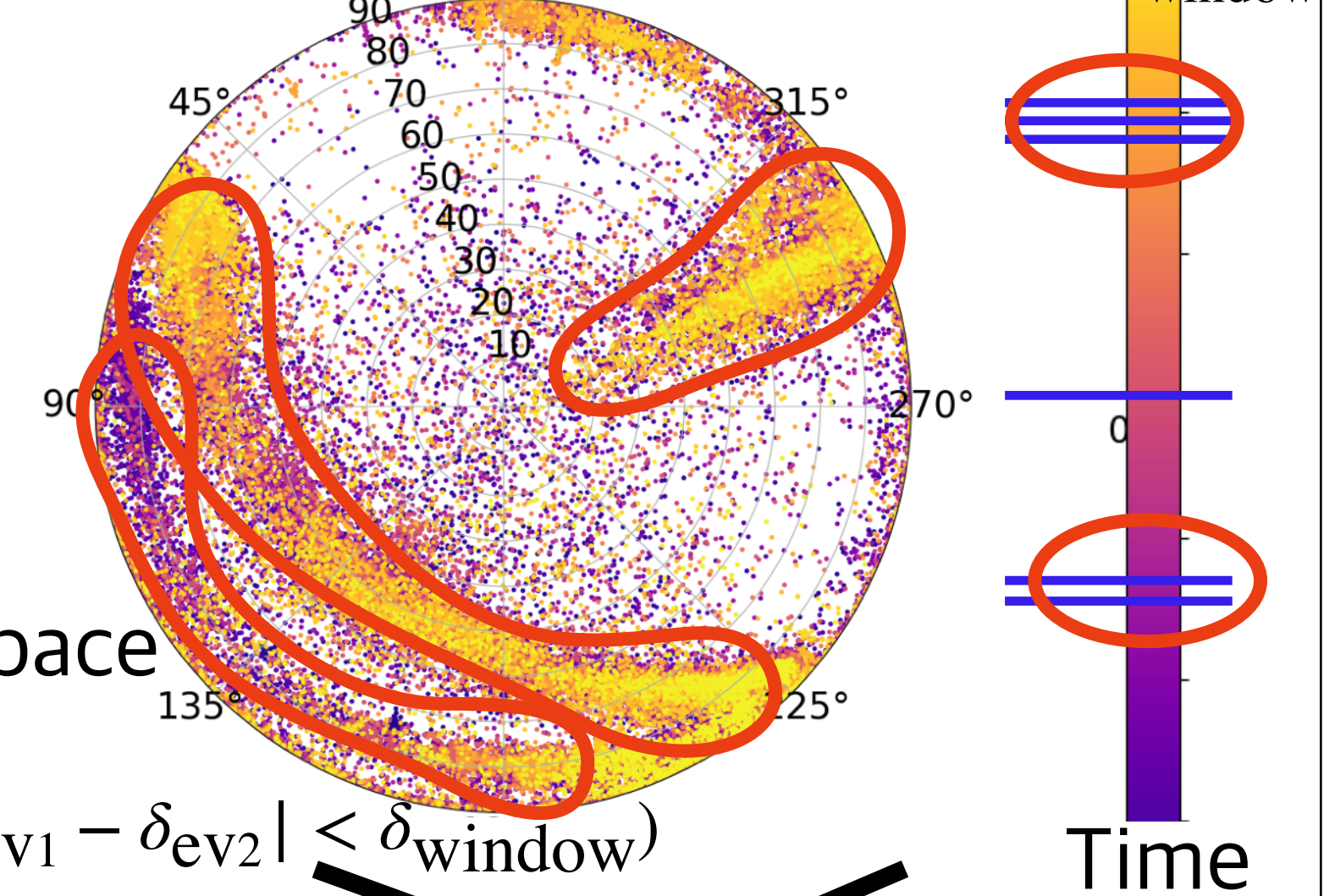
## Time & space clustering

$$(|t_{ev1} - t_{ev2}| < t_{window})$$

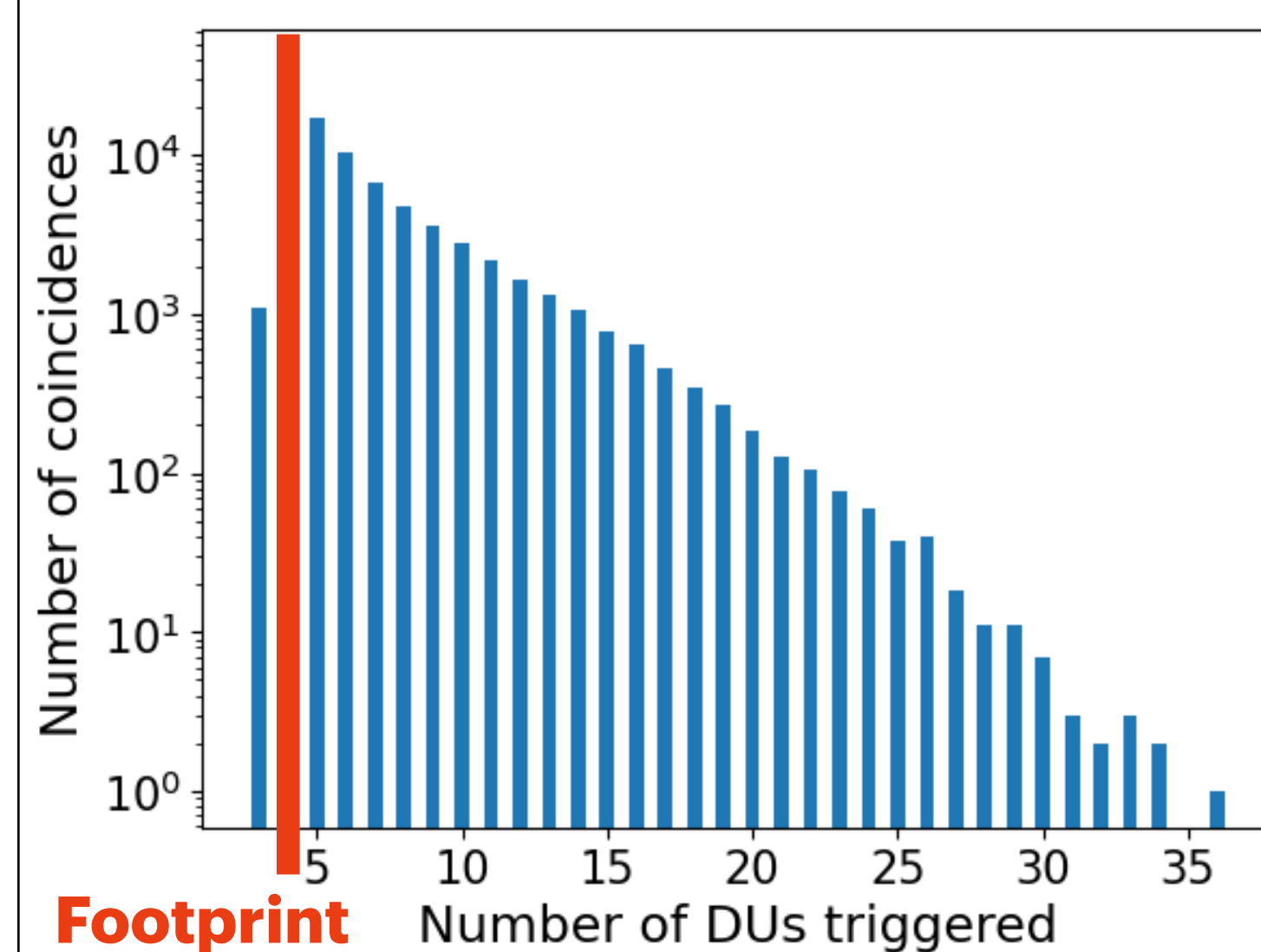
Space

$$(|\delta_{ev1} - \delta_{ev2}| < \delta_{window})$$

Time



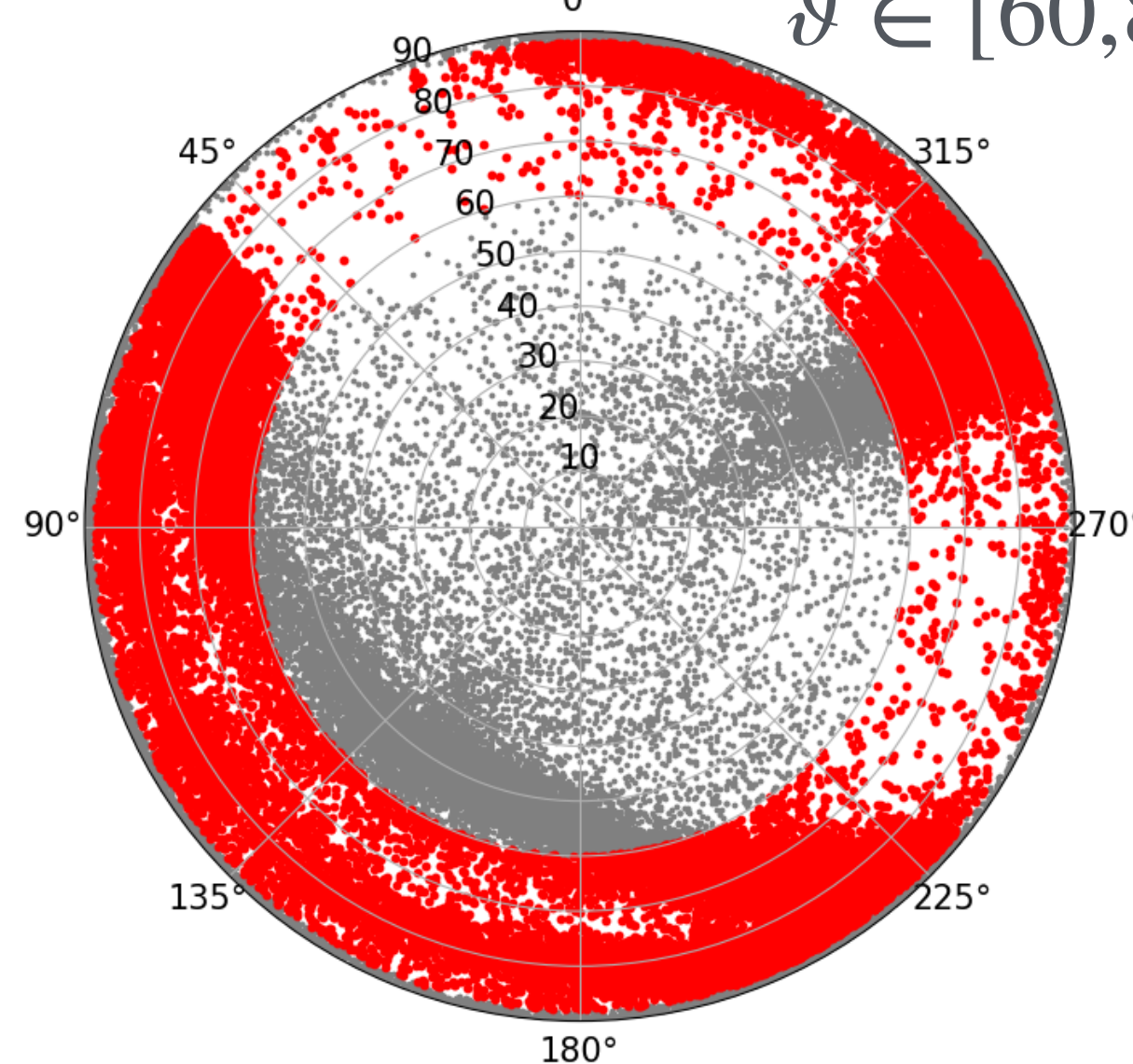
## Number of antennas



**Footprint  
too small**

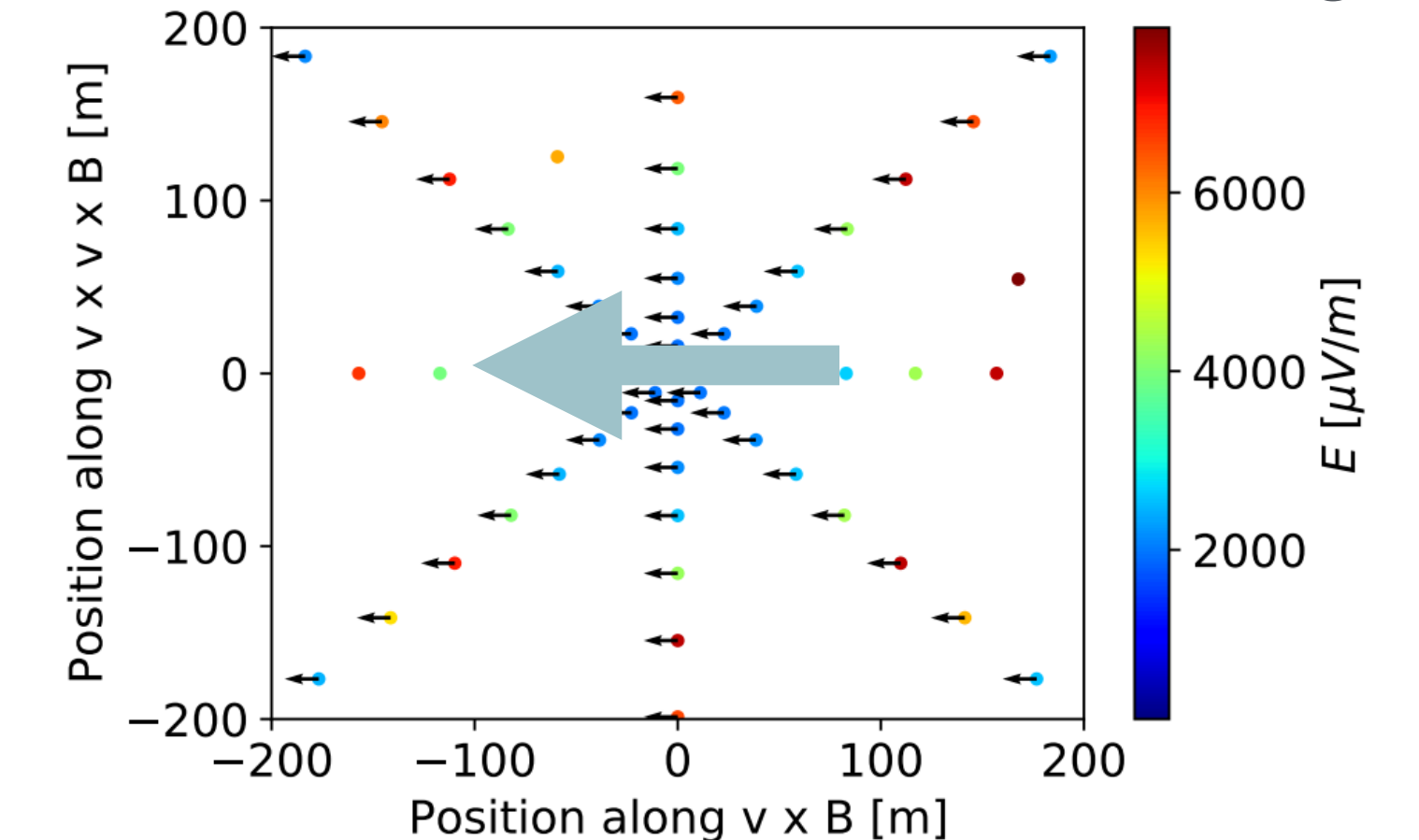
## Zenith

$$\vartheta \in [60, 88] \text{deg}$$



## Polarisation

$$\text{Polar} \perp \vec{B}_{\text{geo}}$$



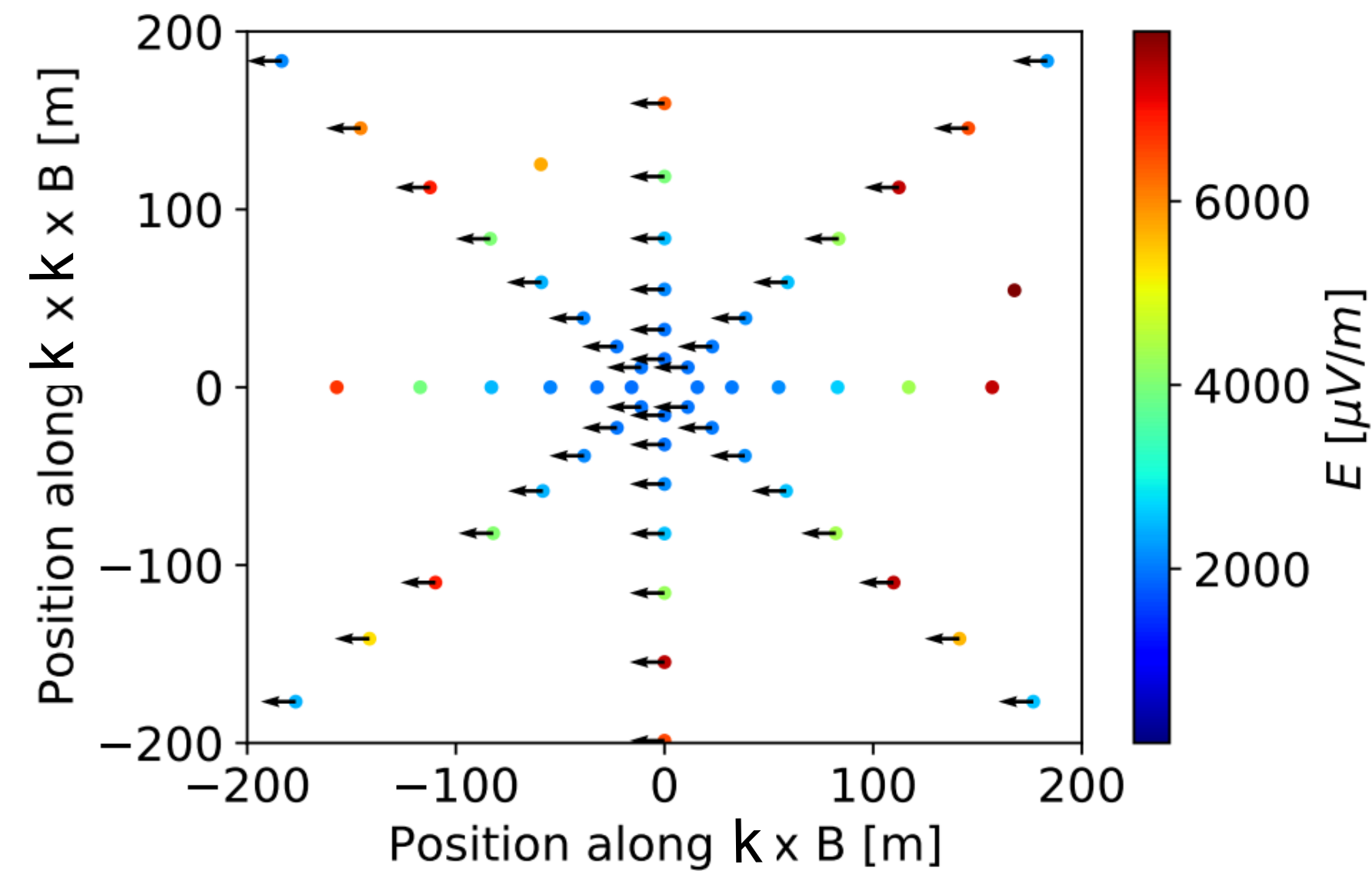
(Chiche et al. 2022)



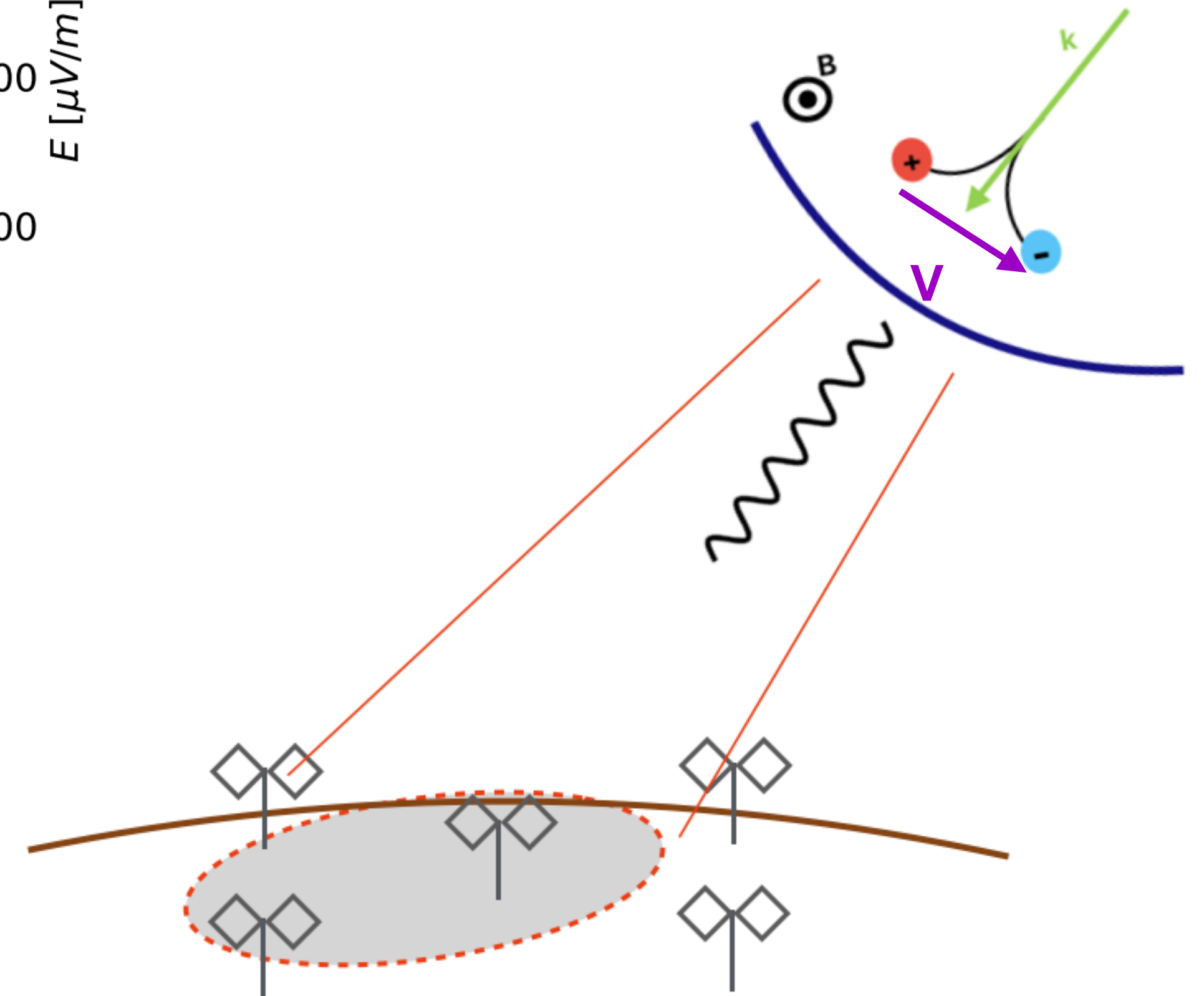
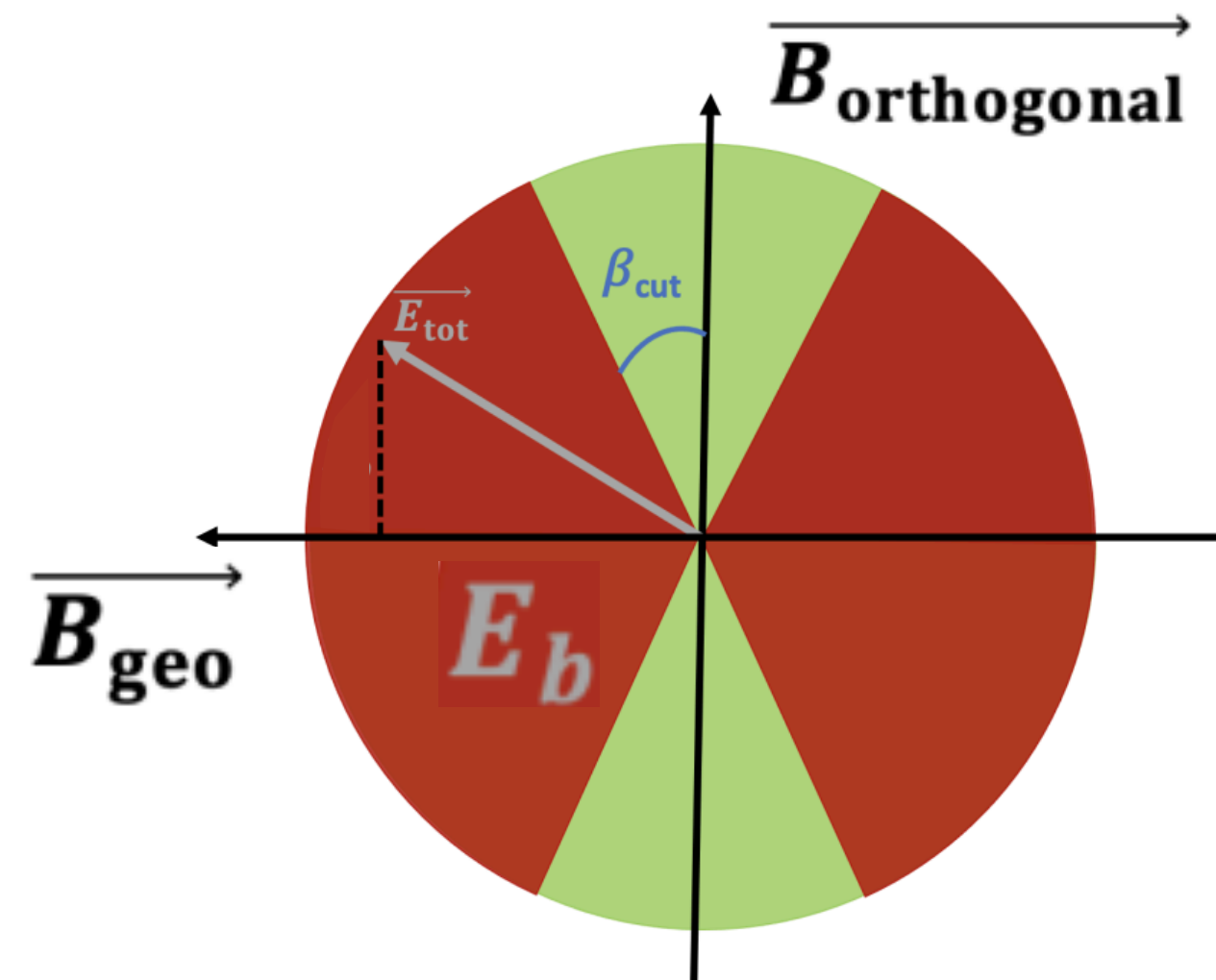
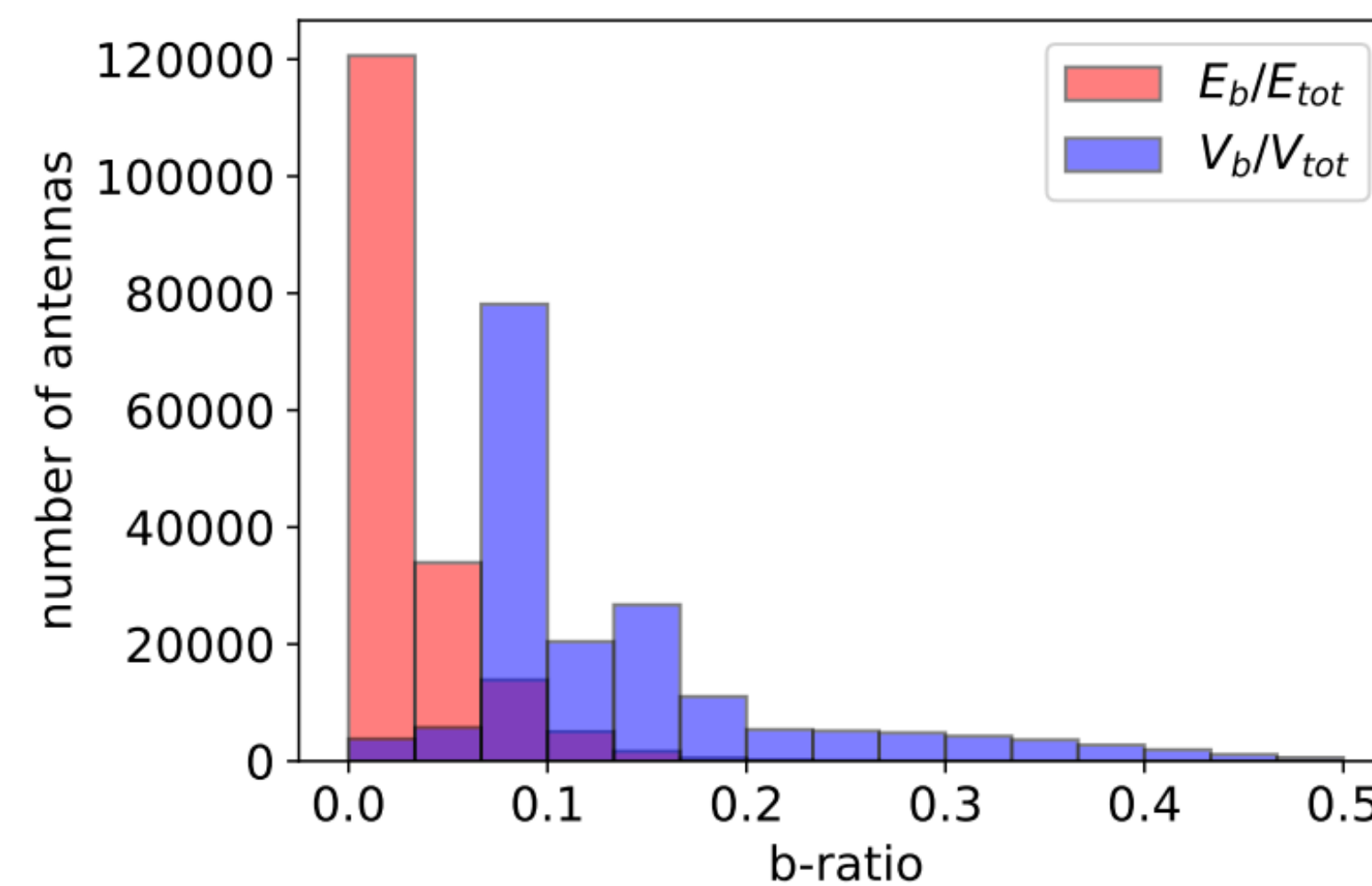
# Polarisation distribution expected for CRs

E-field amplitude and direction of the geomagnetic emission

Geomagnetic effect



[Chiche et al., 2022](#)

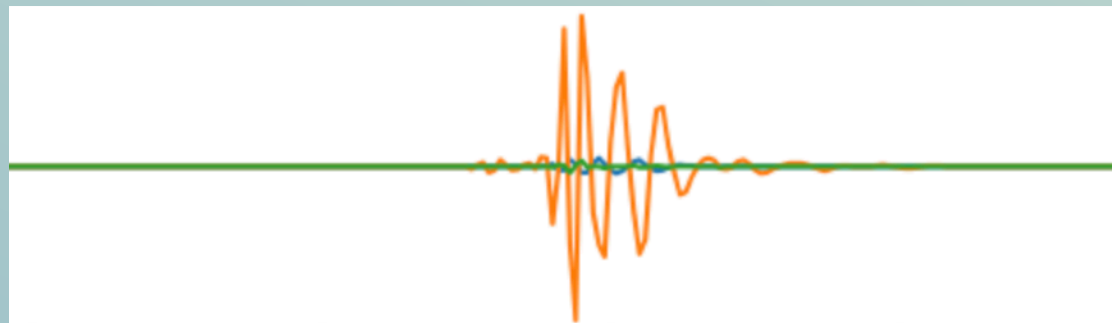


# Subsample of DC2 simulations (released early April)

3 types : NJ, AN, “plain”; 1000 simulated CRs

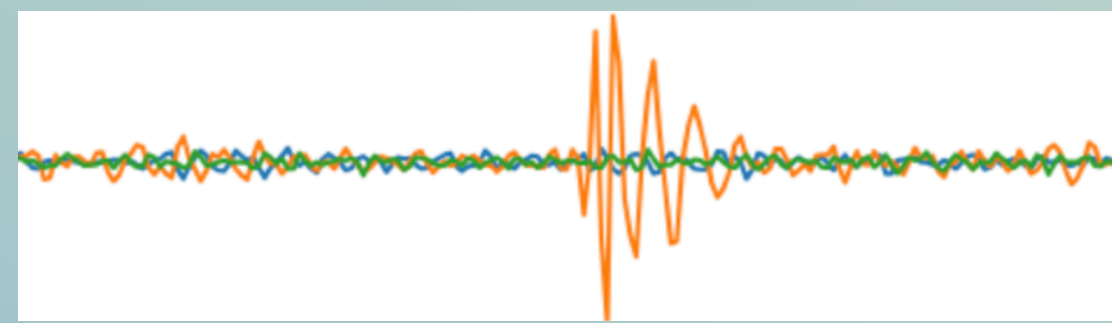
Noiseless, no jitter

**NJ**



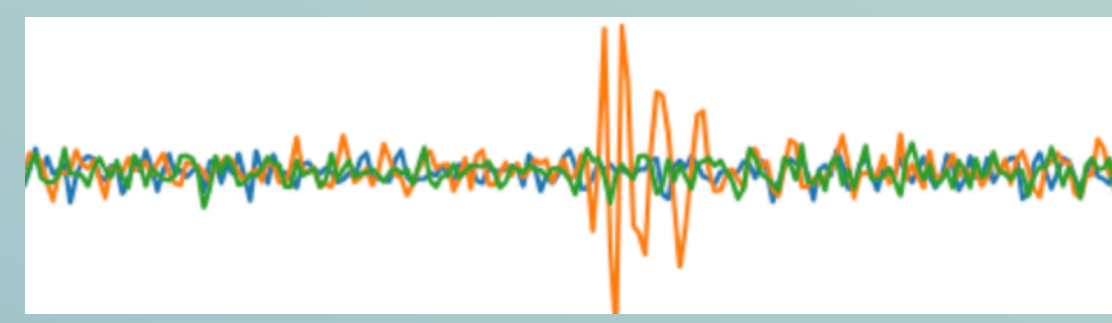
Simulated noise

**“plain”**



Experimental noise

**AN**



Problem: traces selected according to proximity to the shower axis, but do not pass T1 & T2



After T1 + T2 trigger --> 407 events left (with  $\geq 1$  antennas)

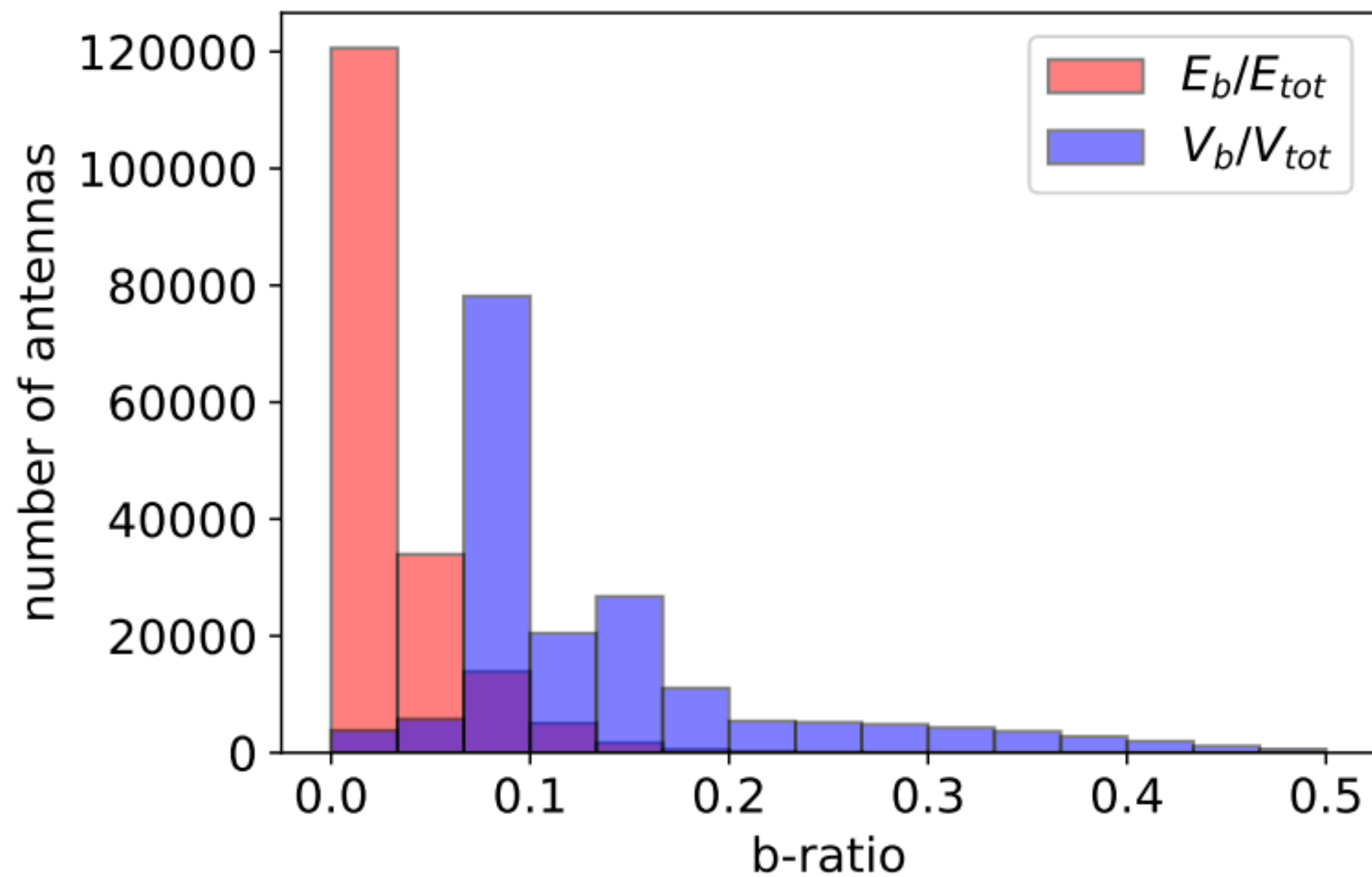
Statistical performances computed on AN sims

# Strategy behind the polarisation cut

E field polarised at antennas ( $\perp \vec{B}_{geo}$ )



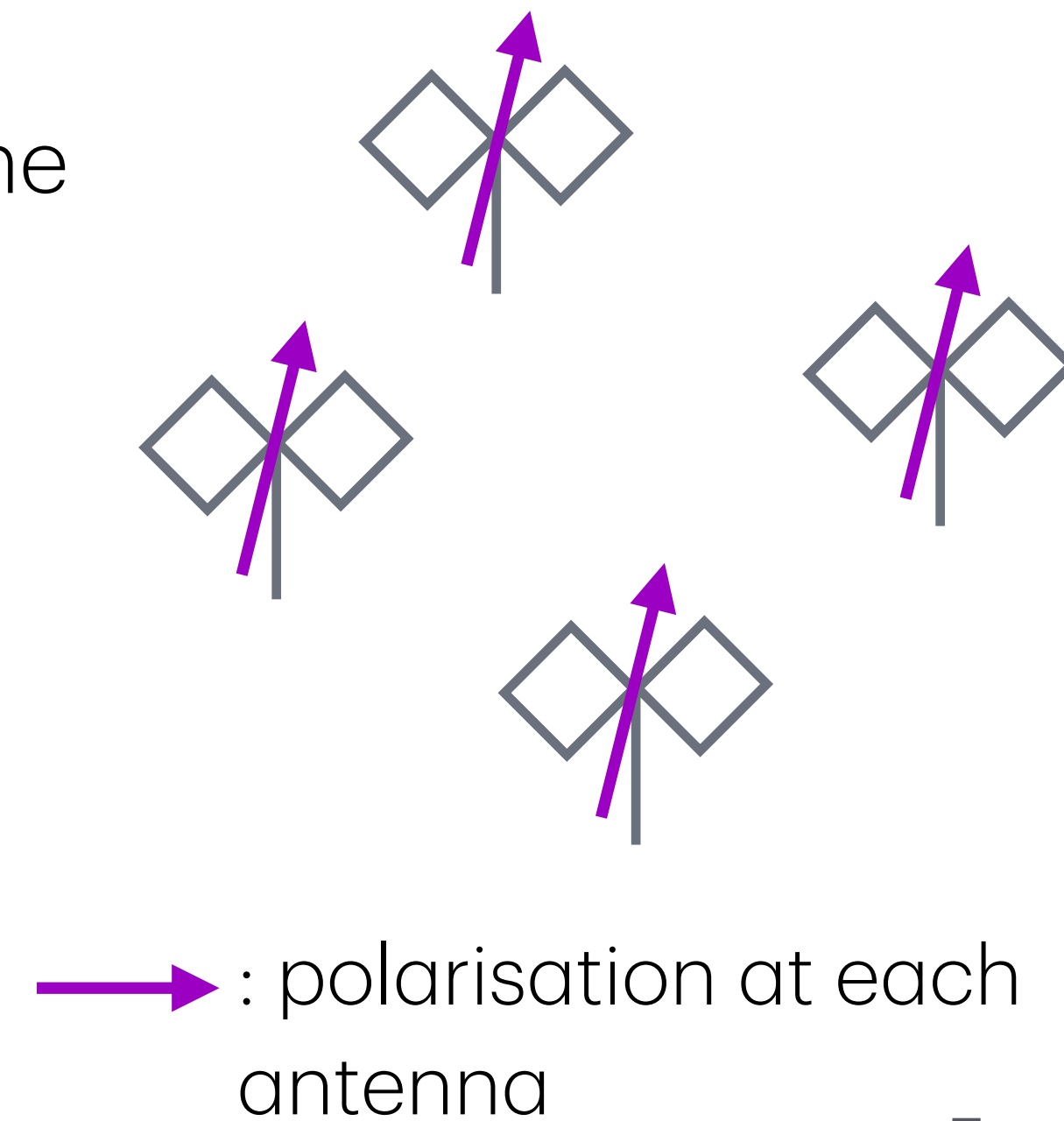
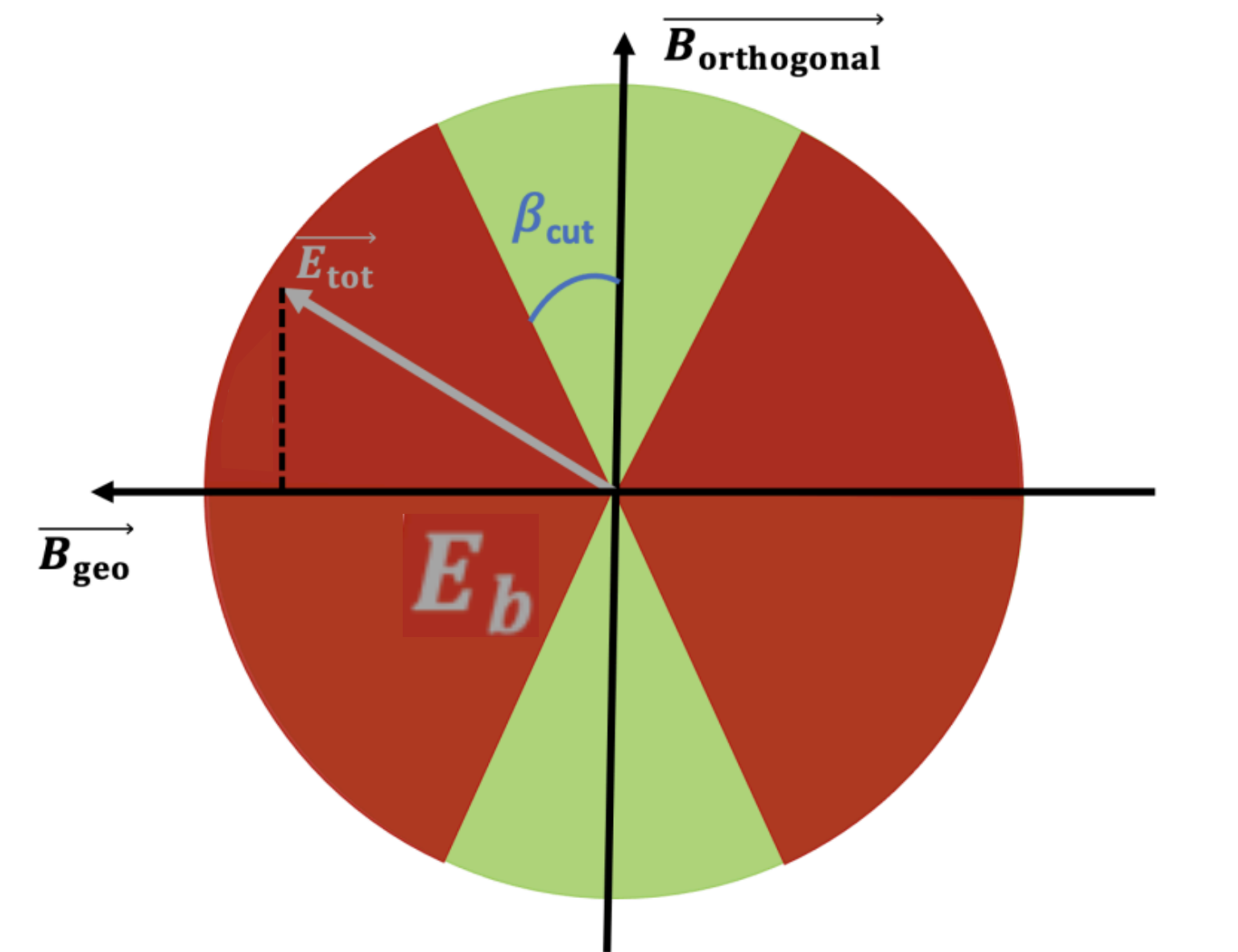
$$E_b = \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}_{geo} \simeq 0 \quad (\text{Red})$$



Strategy: measure  $E_b$  for all antennas of an event, and keep the median

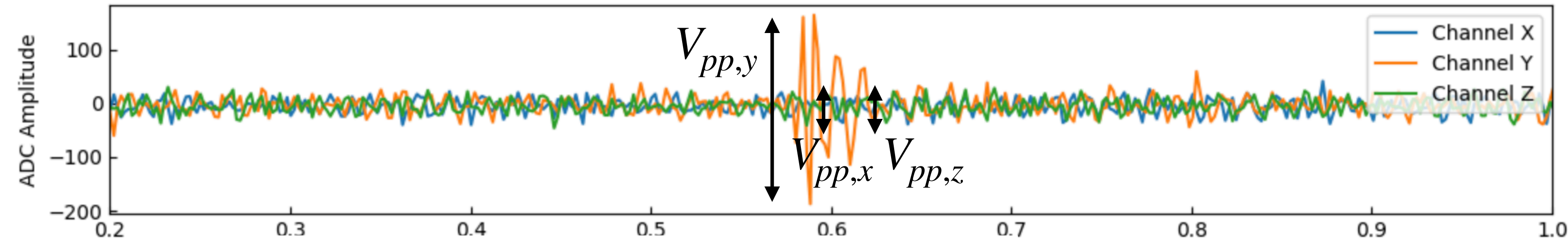
No access to E => measure on voltage V (blue distribution)

How to construct the  $\vec{V}$  vector?

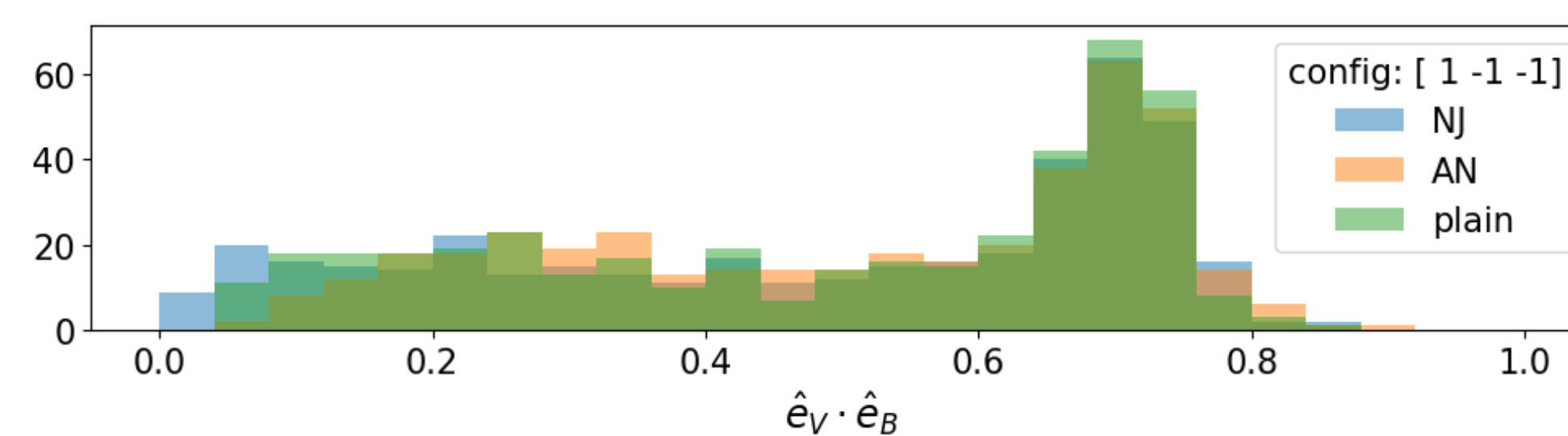
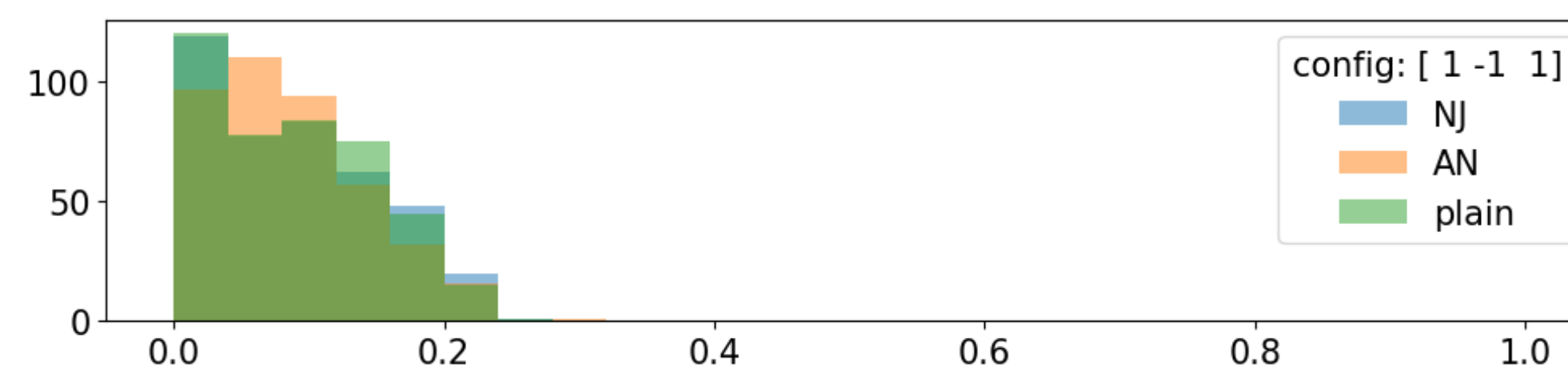
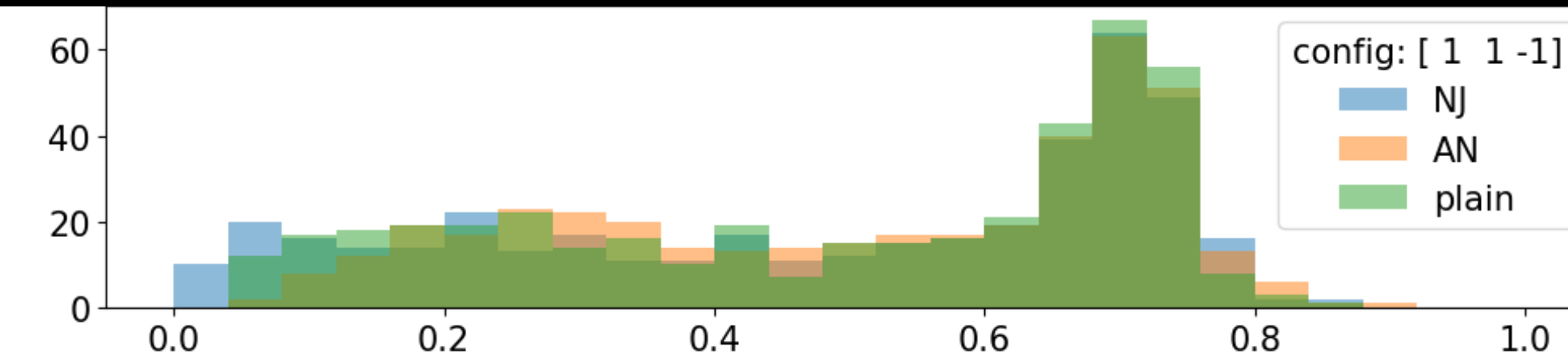
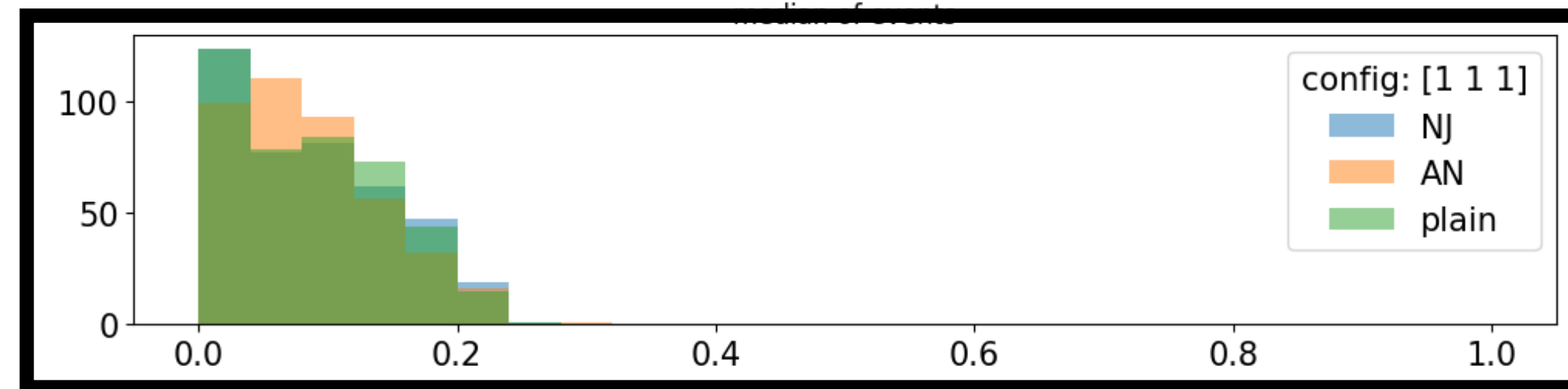
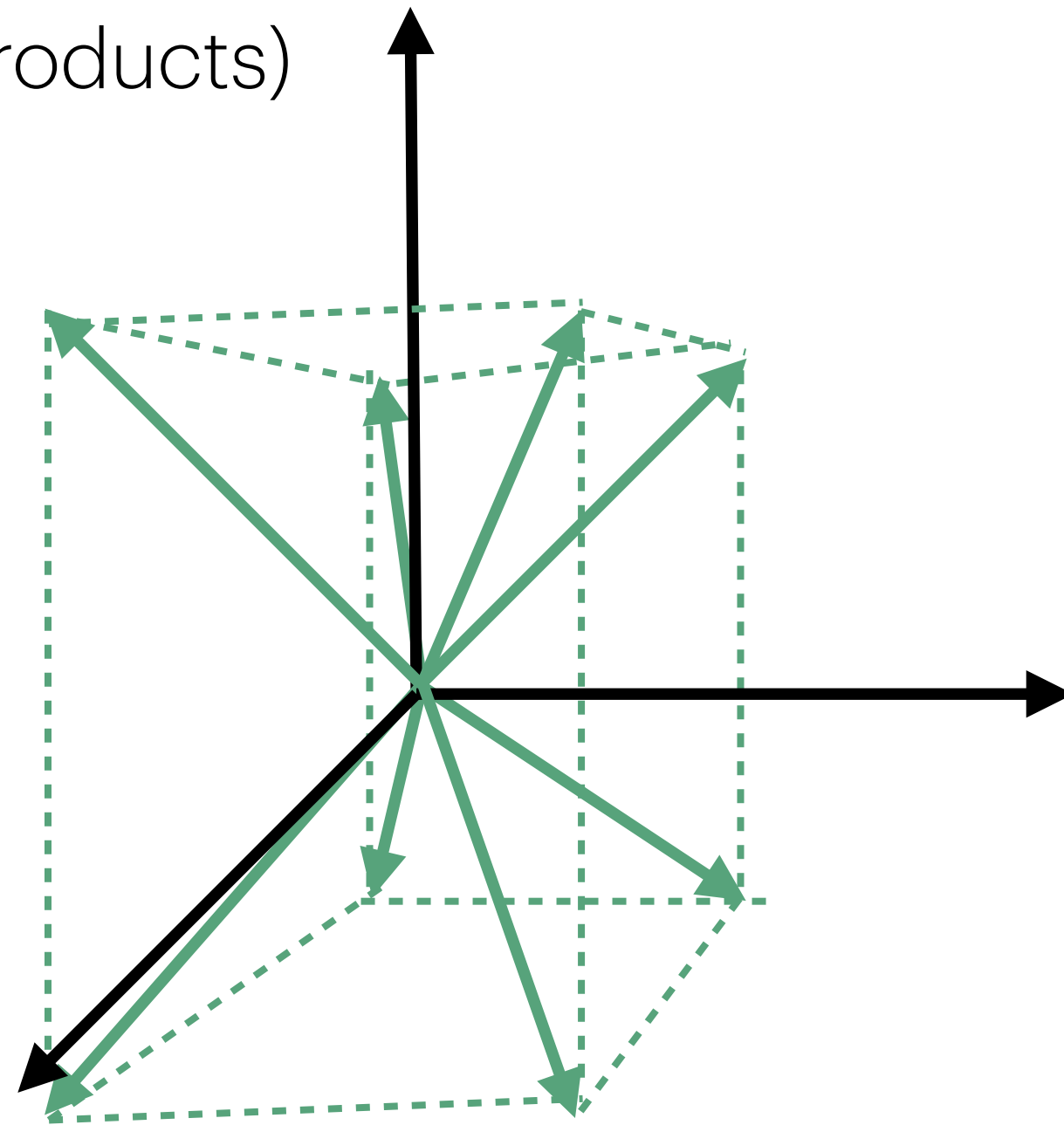


# Building a voltage vector with traces

Technique: build a vector  $\vec{V}$  with the trace



Orientation: 8 possibilities, but really 4 (looking at scalar products)



$$\vec{V} = (V_{pp,x}, V_{pp,y}, V_{pp,z})$$



# Polarisation cut estimate

What do we want for the cut?

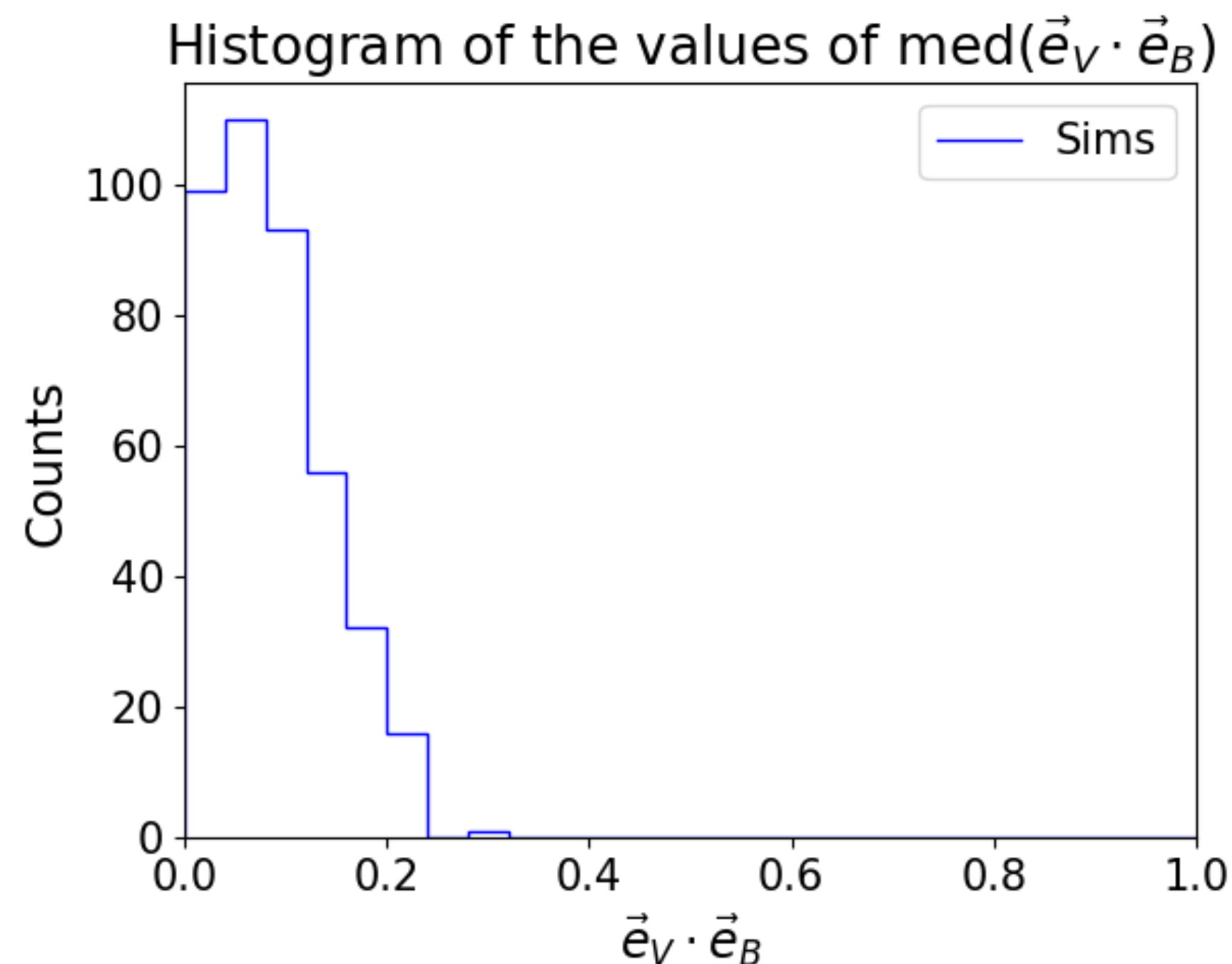


Conservative. Maximize the nb of CR candidates, minimize wrong cuts

**Prioritize efficiency over purity**

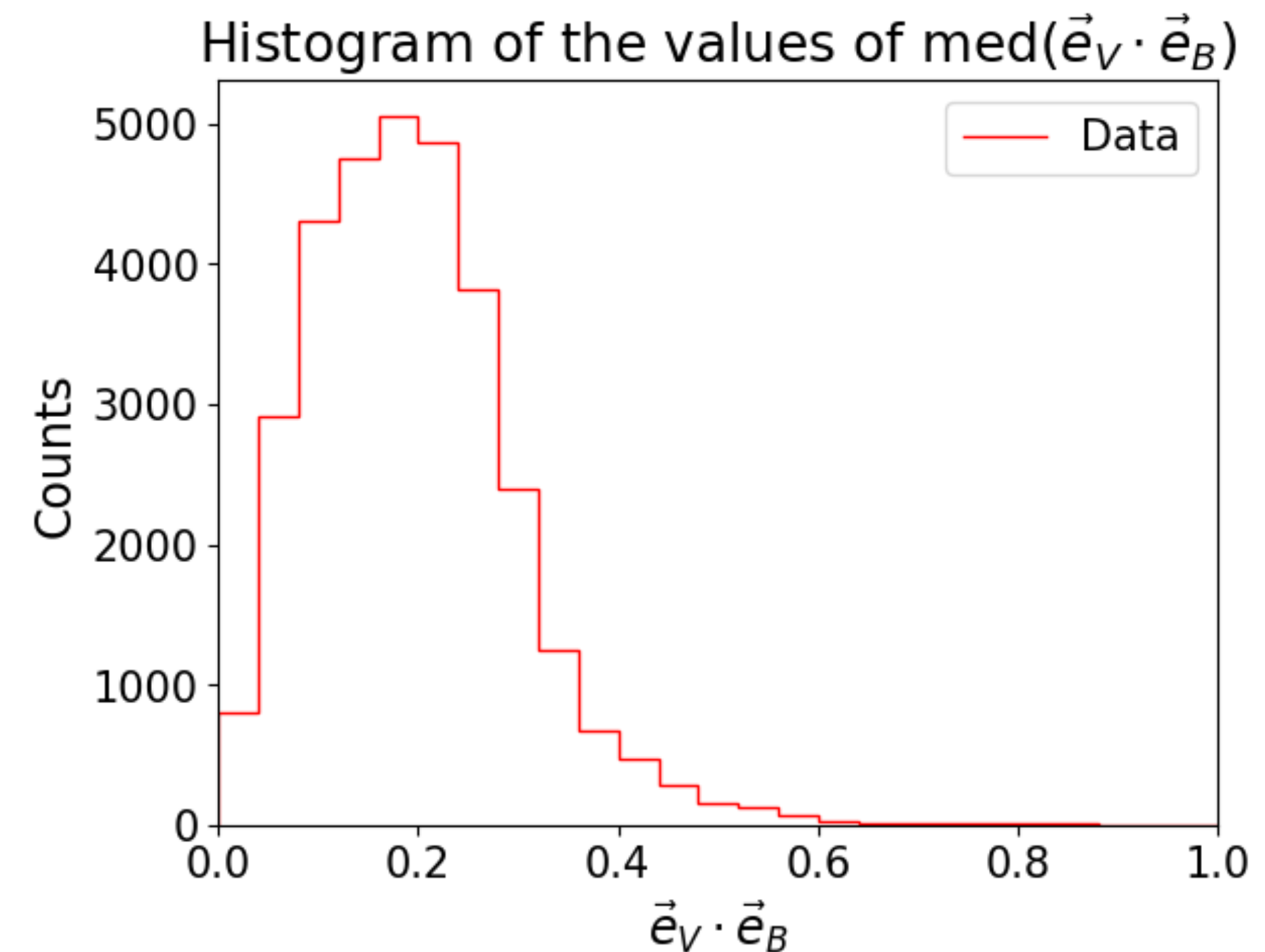
Set a maximum acceptable for  $\vec{e}_V \cdot \vec{e}_B$

All simulations: 407 events (with  $\geq 1$  antenna through T1 + T2)



To compare: data sample, noise-like events  
32k events, direction of the mine and planes (9 days data)

Hypothesis: low CR proportion



# Best polarisation cut parameter estimate

Build normalized polarisation distribution in each case

For event A:

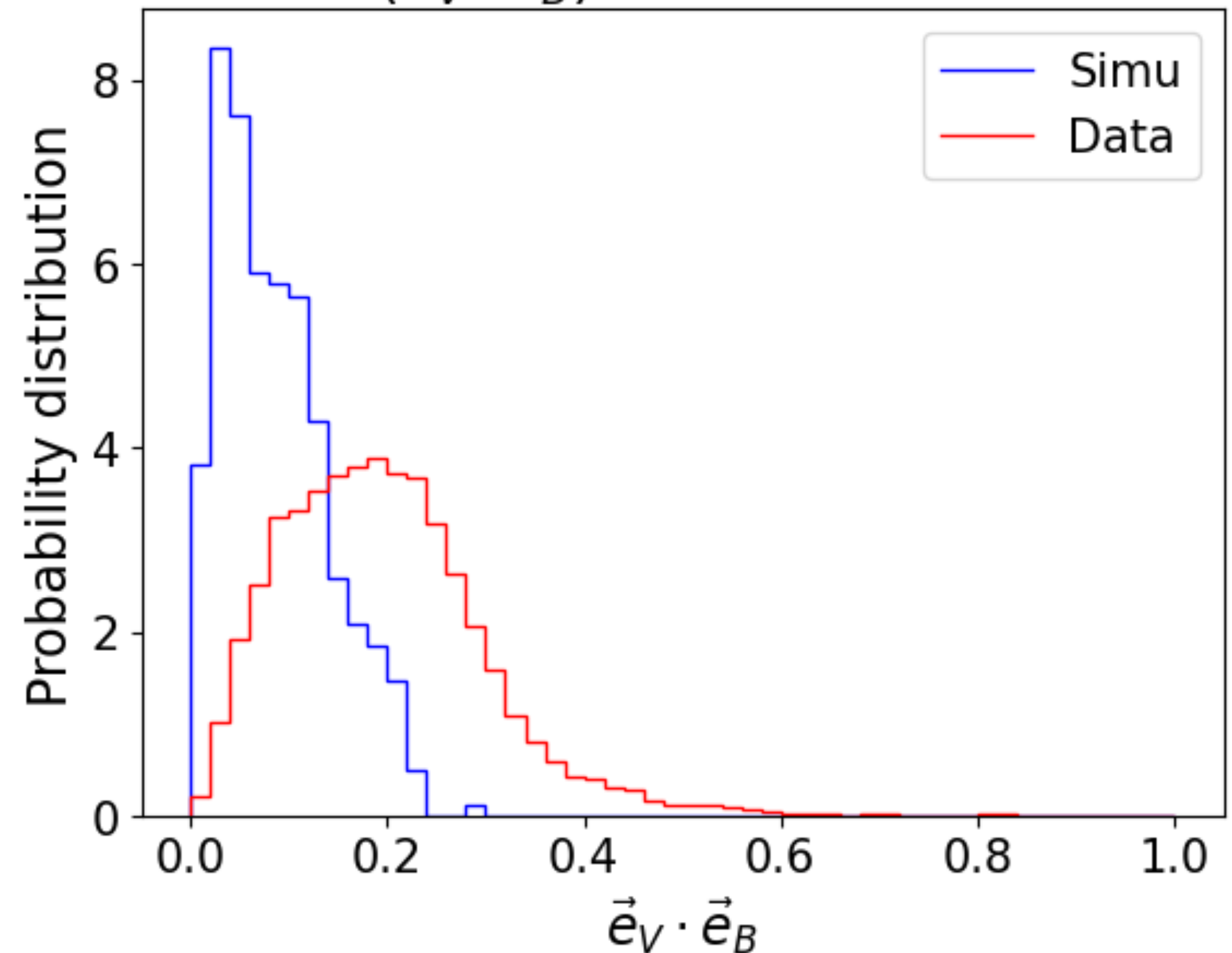
Blue:  $\mathbb{P}_{(A=\text{CR})}(\vec{e}_V \cdot \vec{e}_B = x)$

Red:  $\mathbb{P}_{(A=\overline{\text{CR}})}(\vec{e}_V \cdot \vec{e}_B = x)$

=> find the max value of  $\vec{e}_V \cdot \vec{e}_B$  s.t. maximize efficiency

Set a threshold of 95% CR after cut

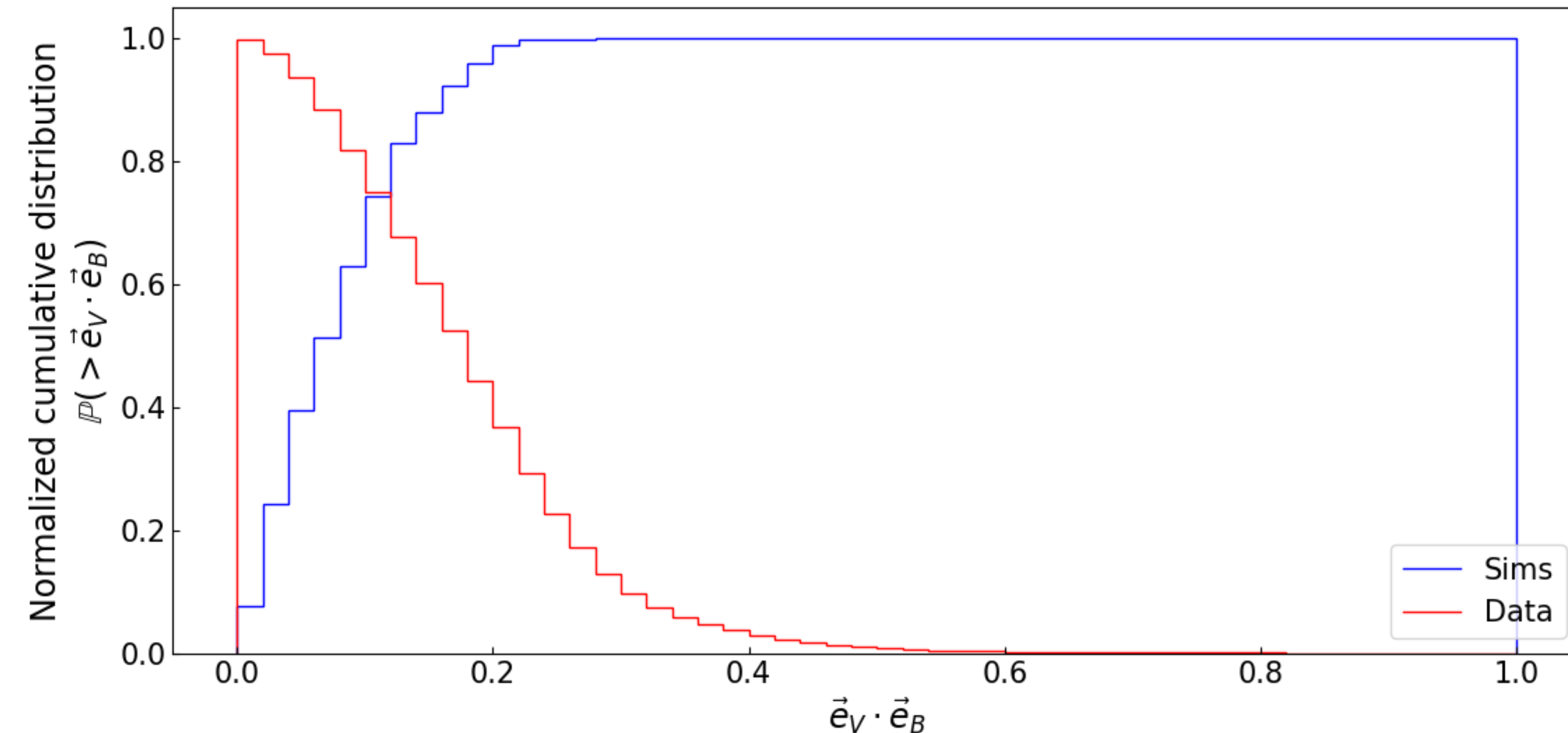
Normalized distribution of the values of  $\text{med}(\vec{e}_V \cdot \vec{e}_B)$  for data and sims





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Cumulative sum of simulations (ie signal, or CR) and inverse CUMSUM of data (1-CUMSUM)

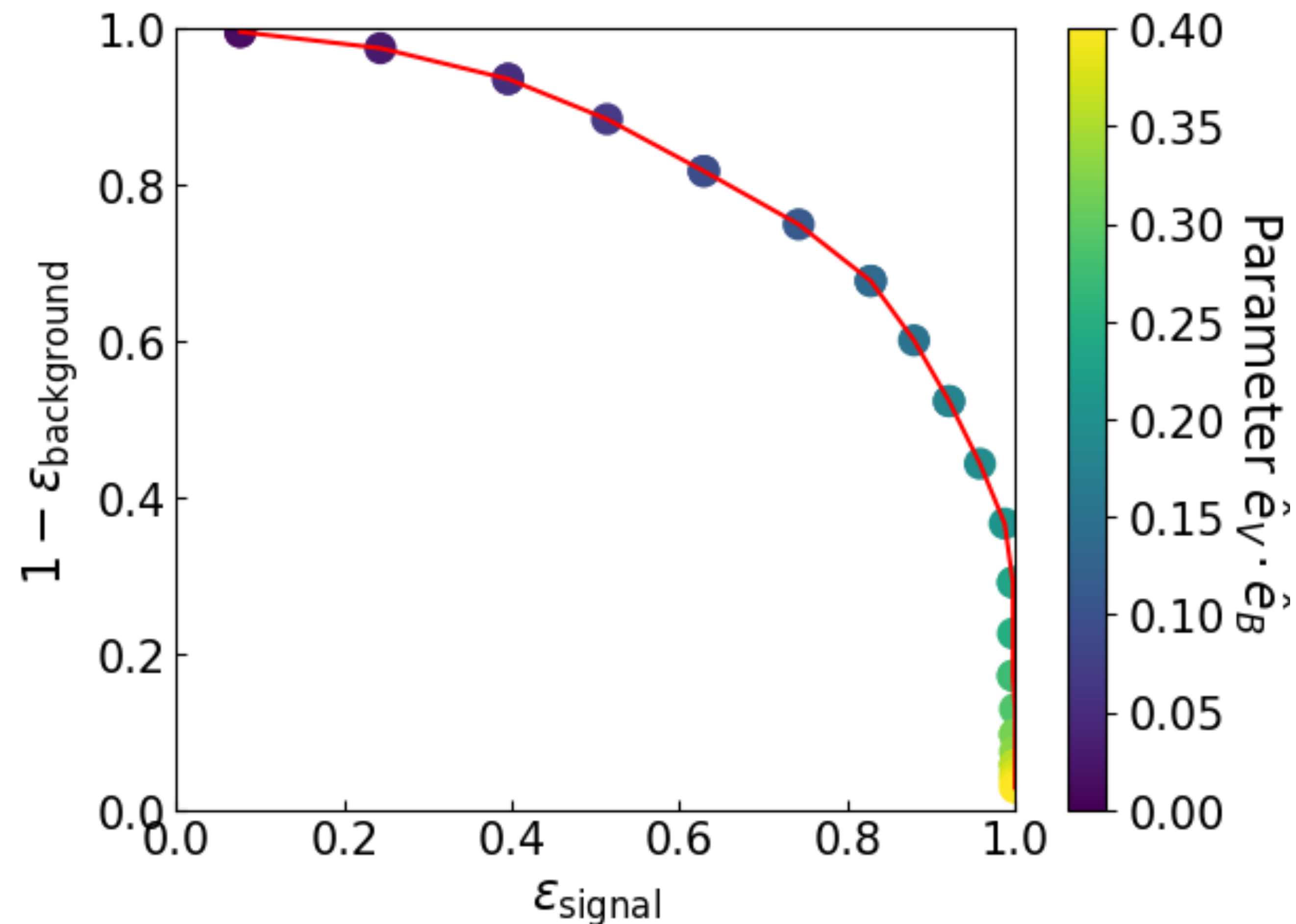


Blue: fraction of signal accumulated polarisation value:  **$\epsilon_{\text{signal}}$**

Red: fraction of background events excluded up to a polarisation value:  **$1 - \epsilon_{\text{bg}}$**



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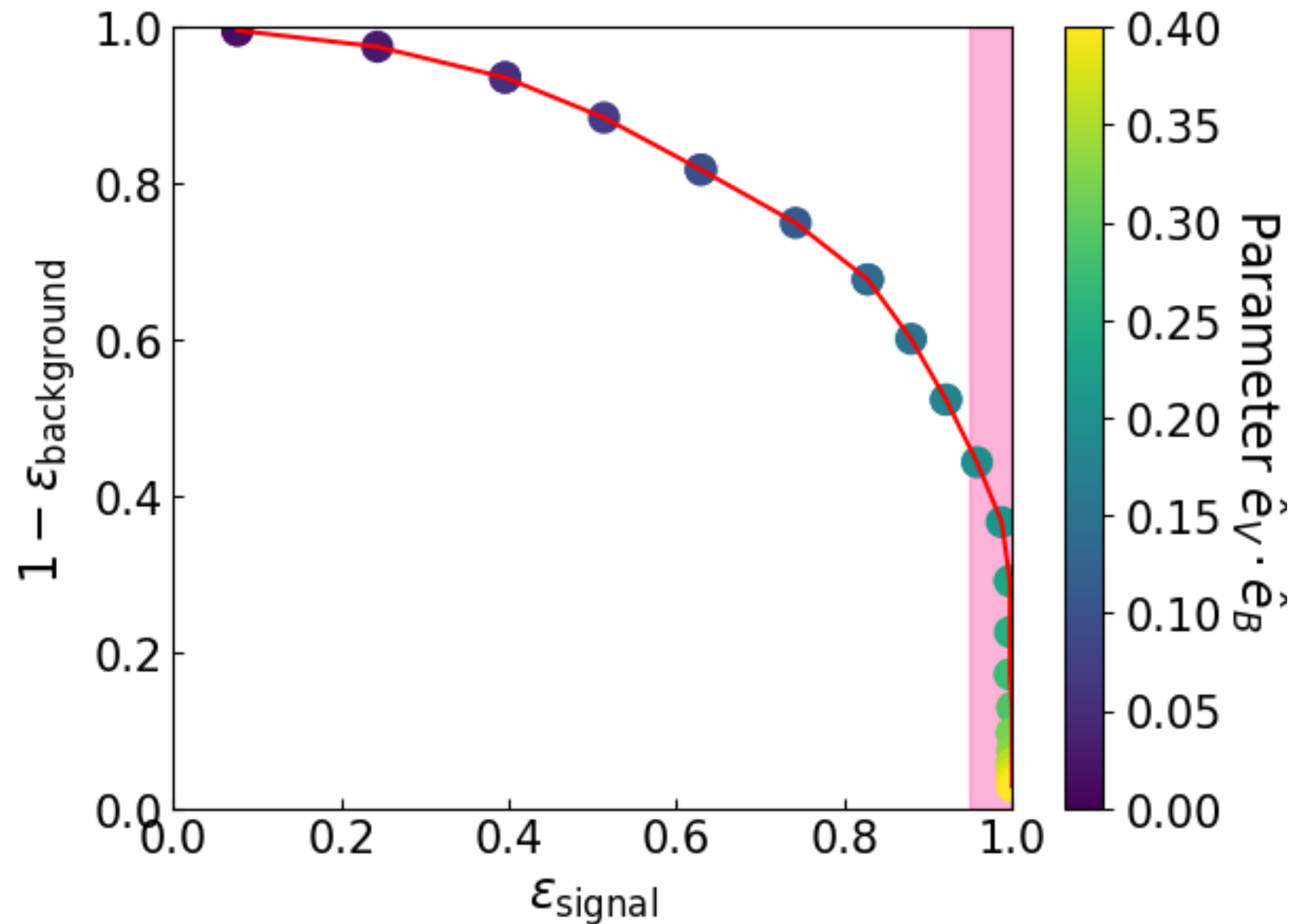
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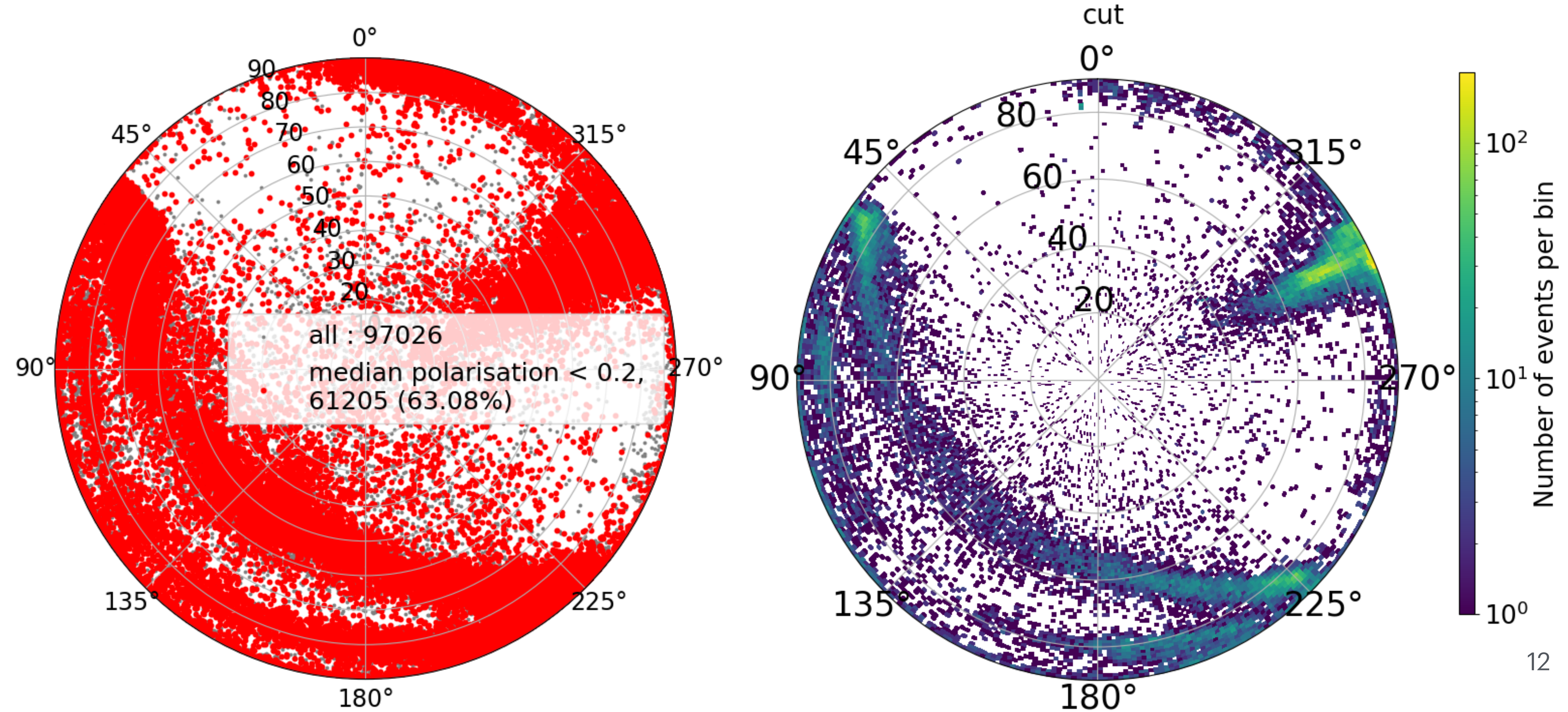
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# Result on month of January

Density of arrival direction of cut events by polarisation



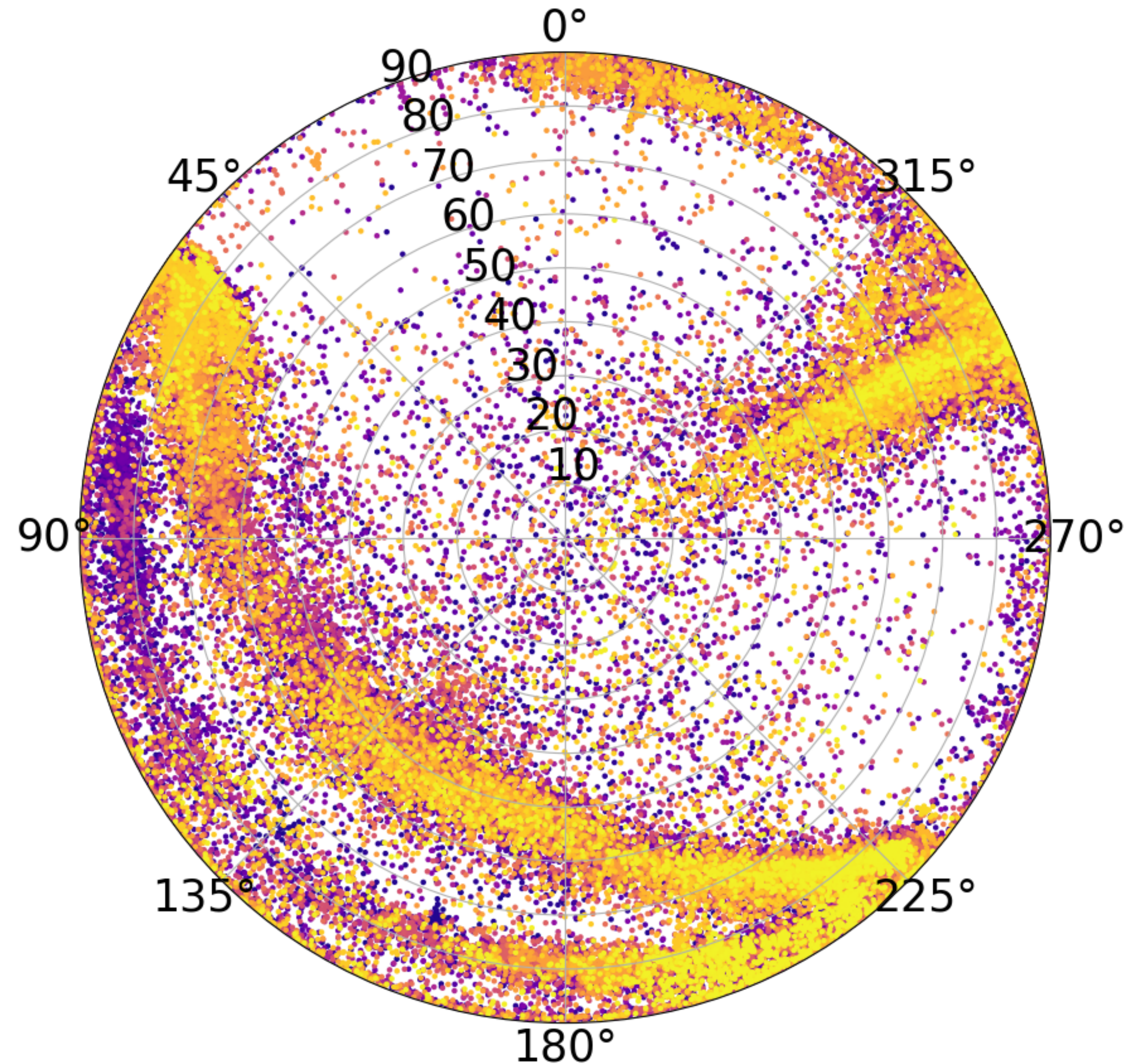
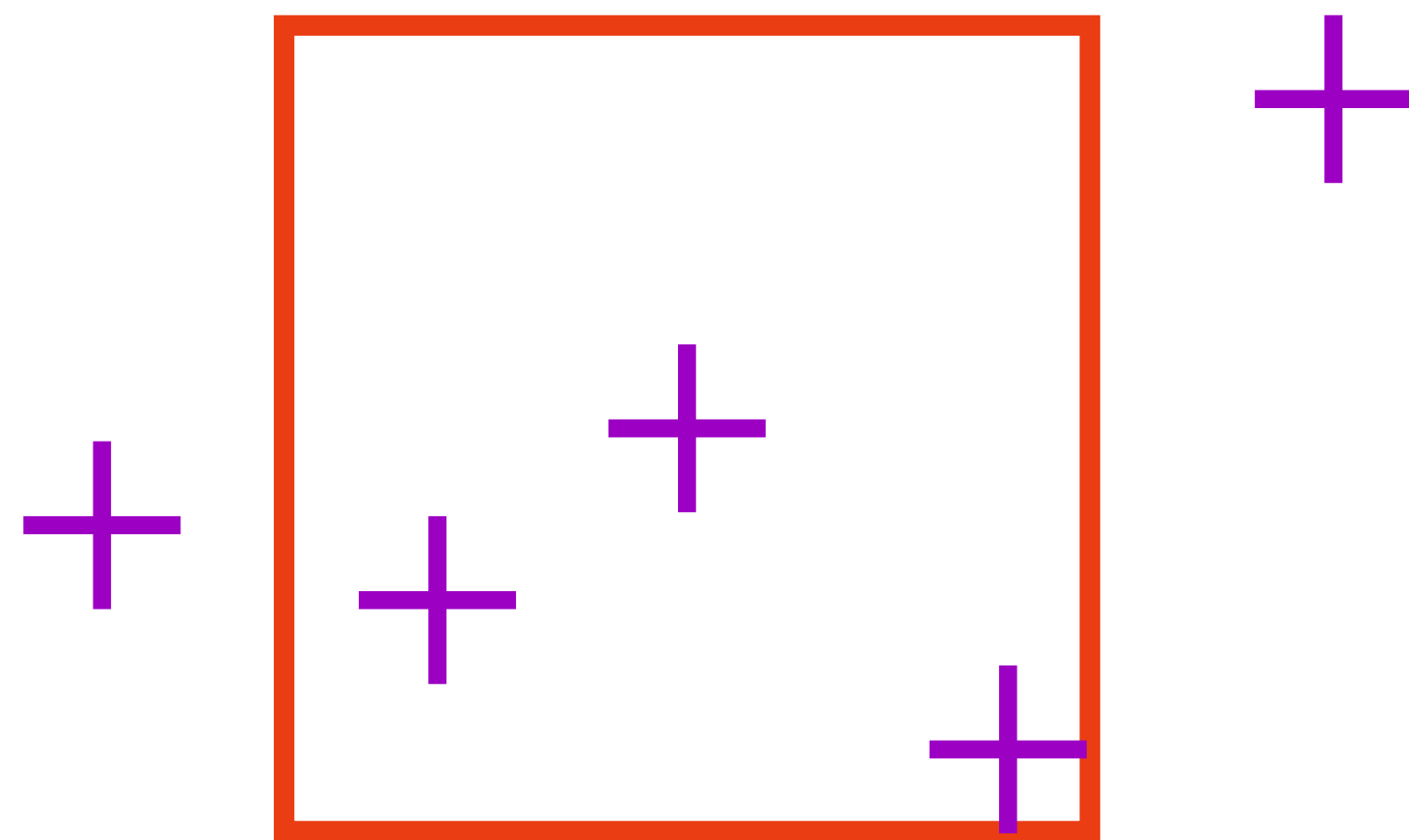


# Clustering cut

Objective: getting rid of  
events coming in waves

Algorithm:

$\geq 2$  events  $\in [\vartheta - 5\text{deg}, \vartheta + 5\text{deg}]$   
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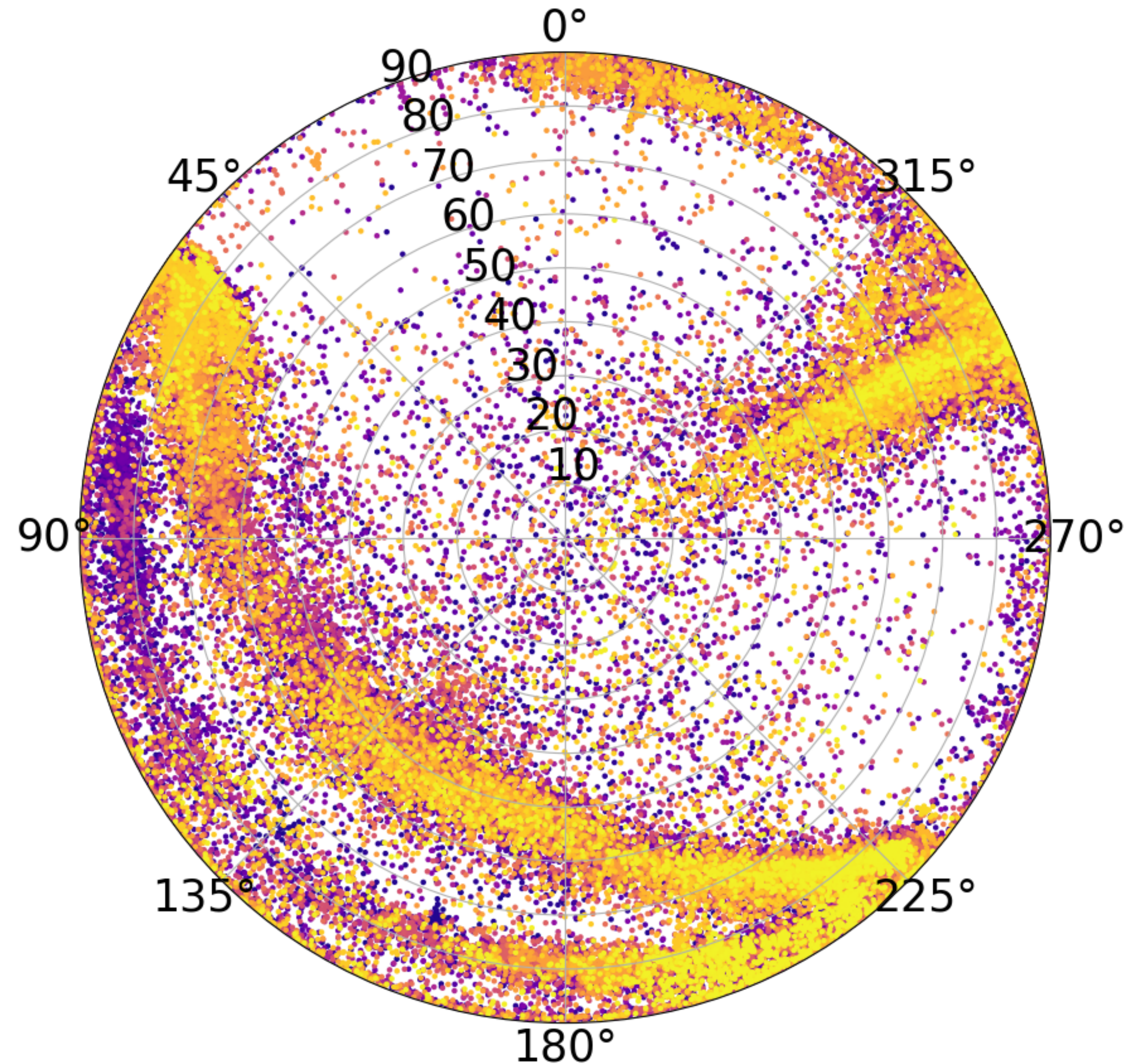
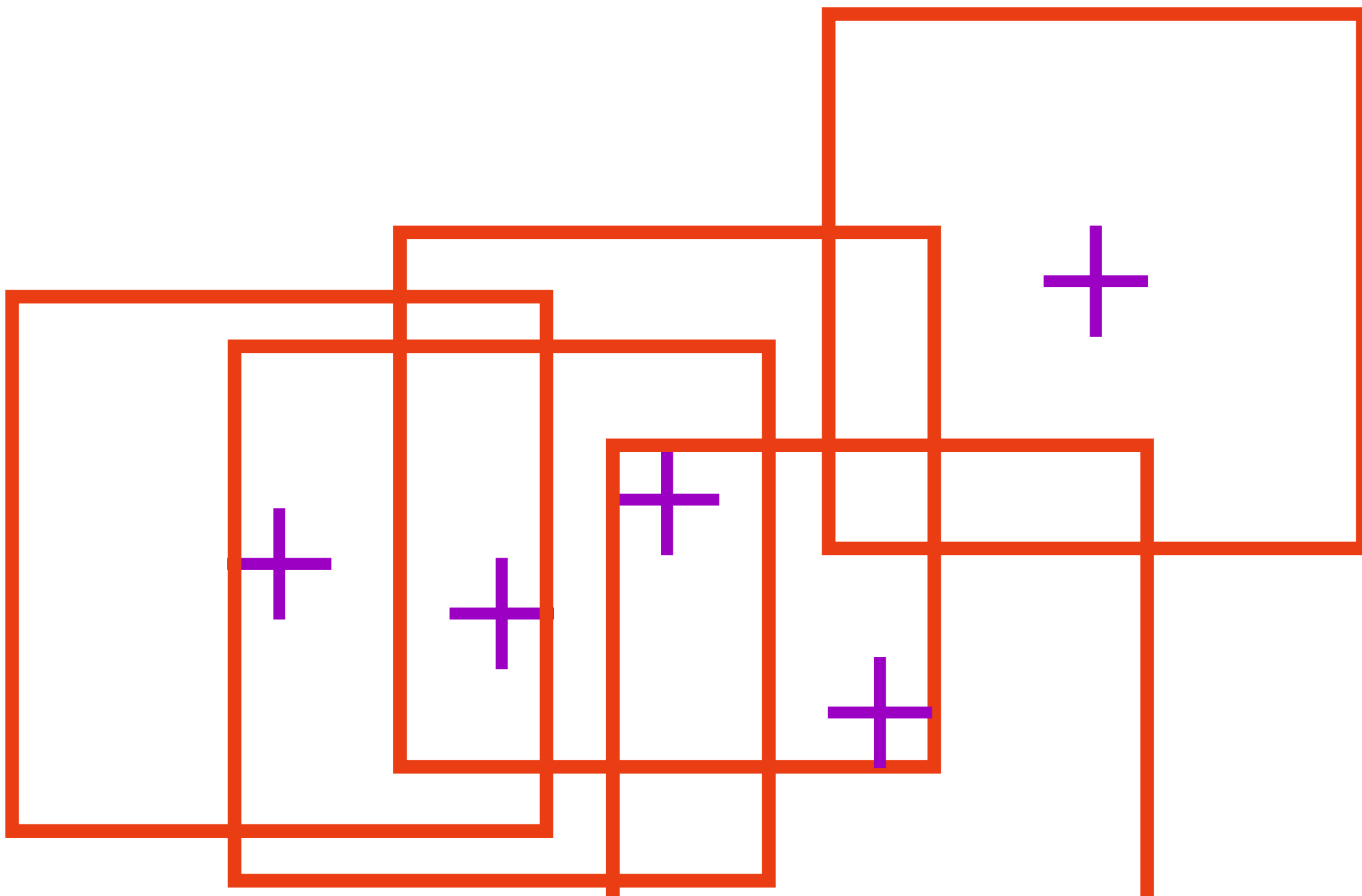


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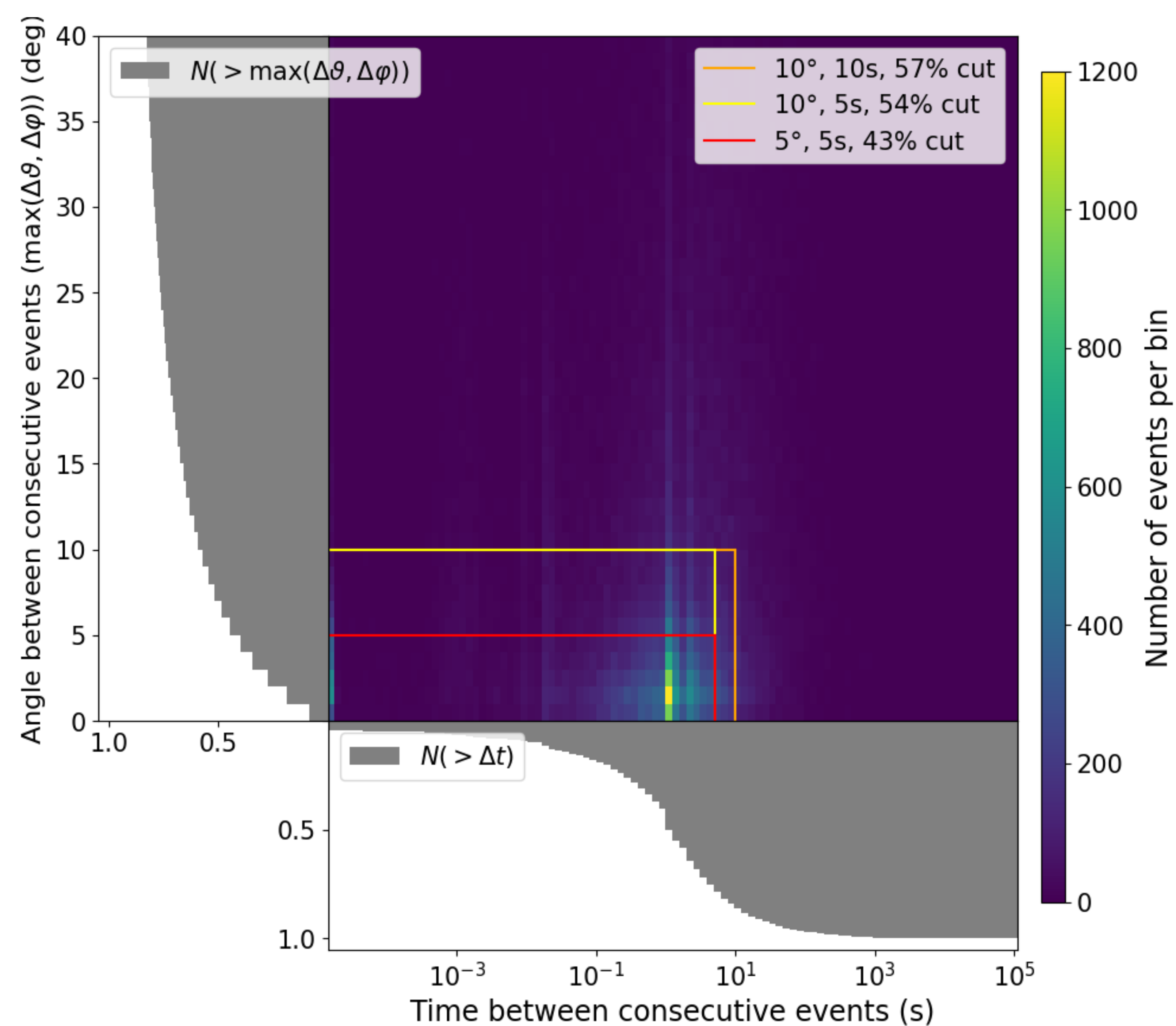
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Plot:

2d histogram of angular  
and time distances of  
consecutive events

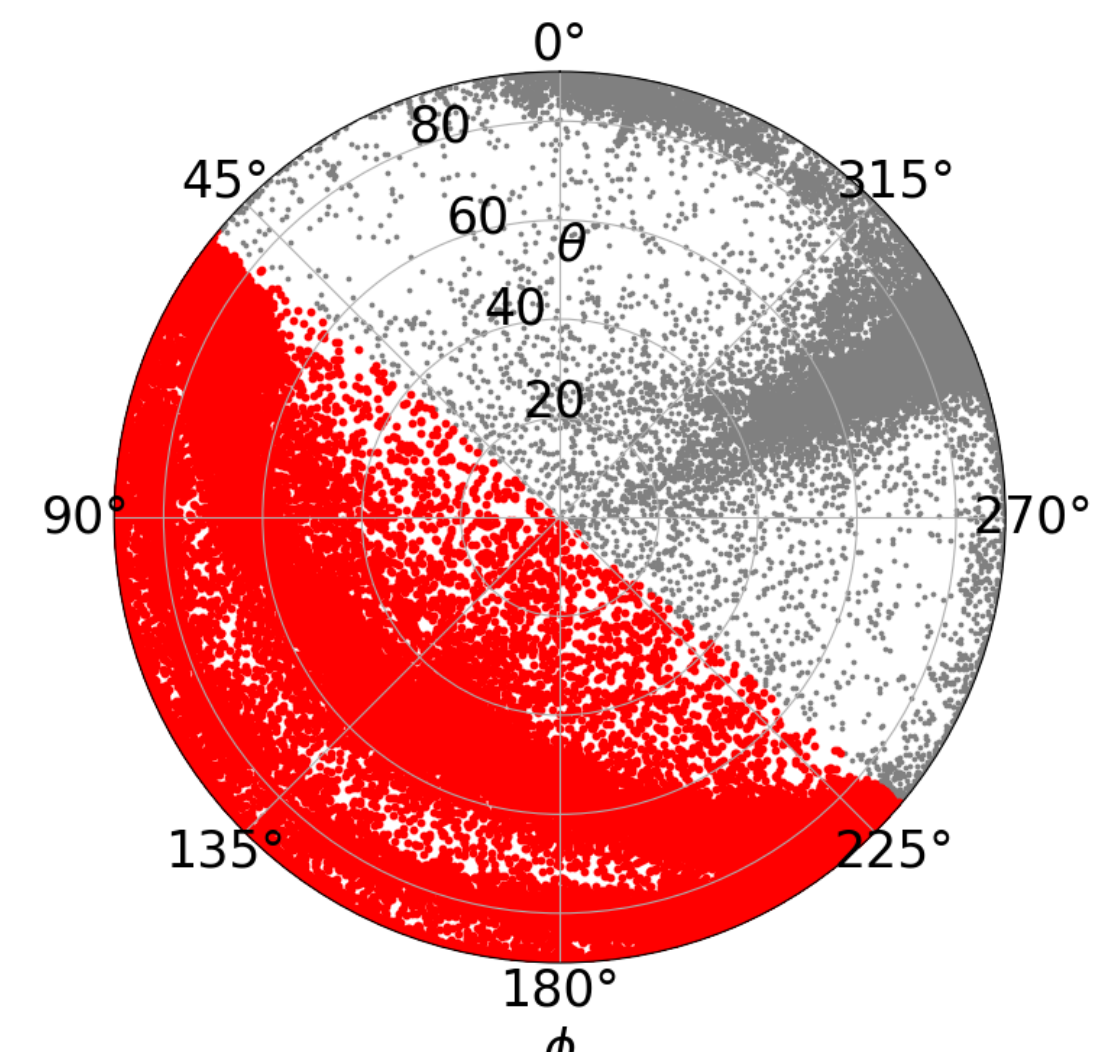
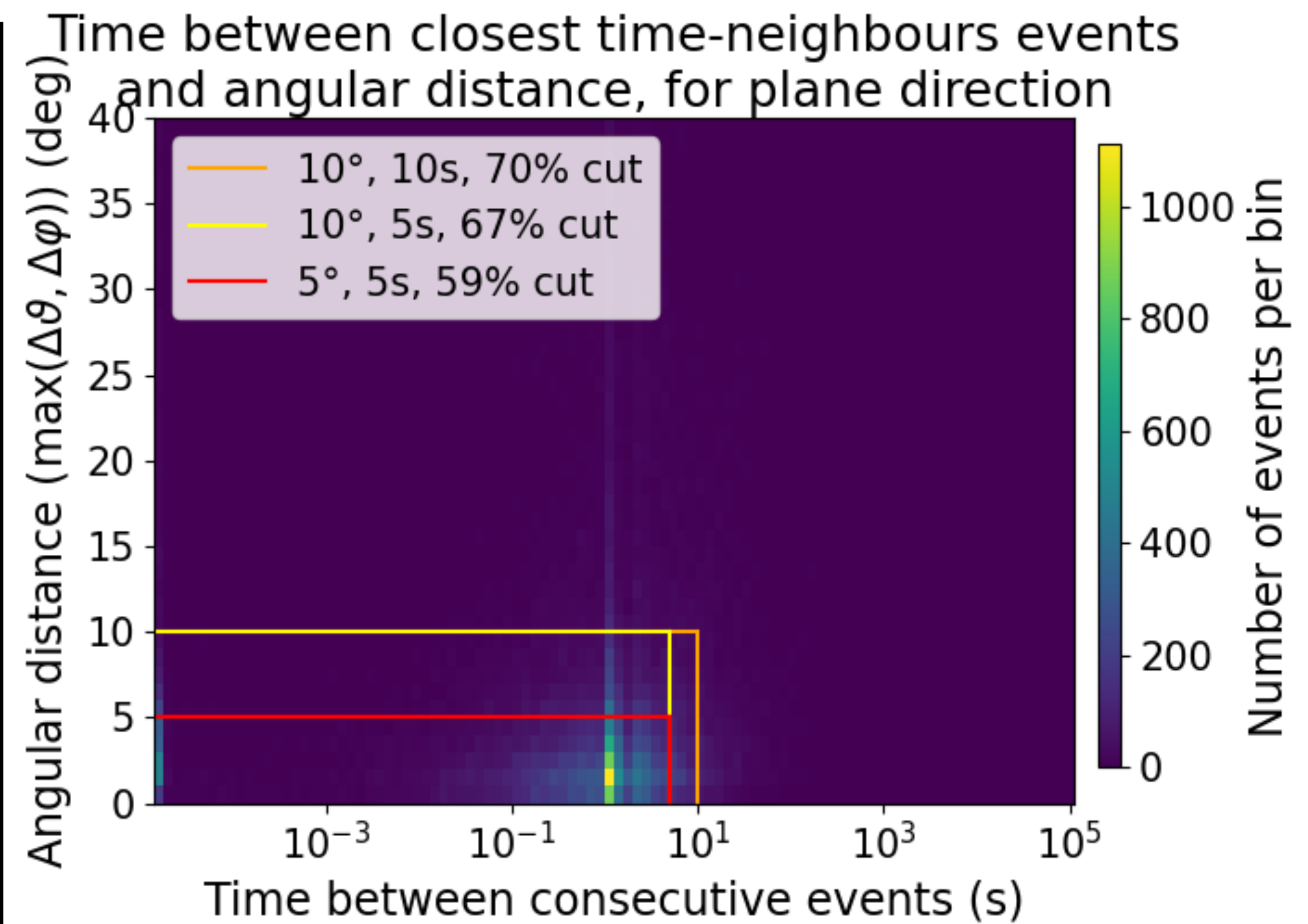
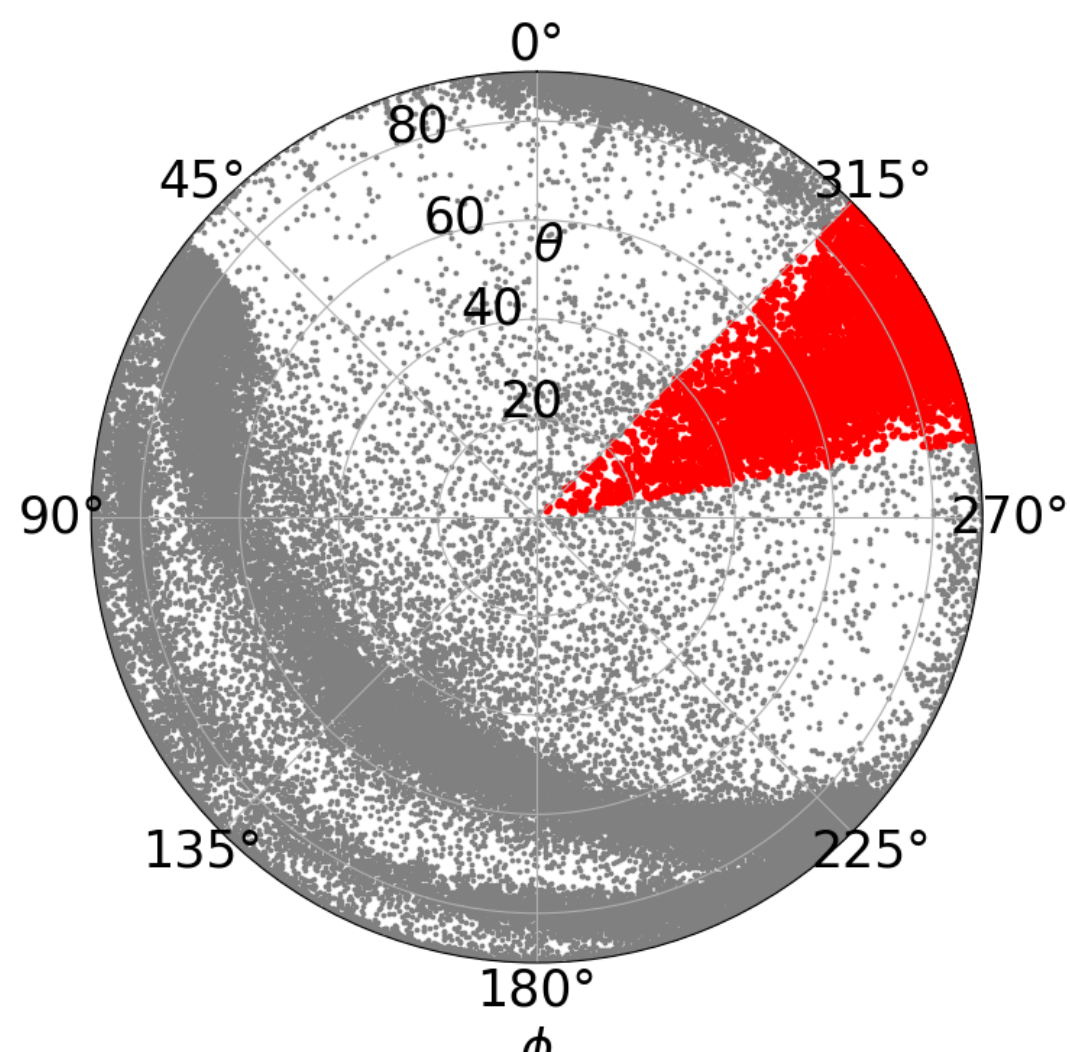
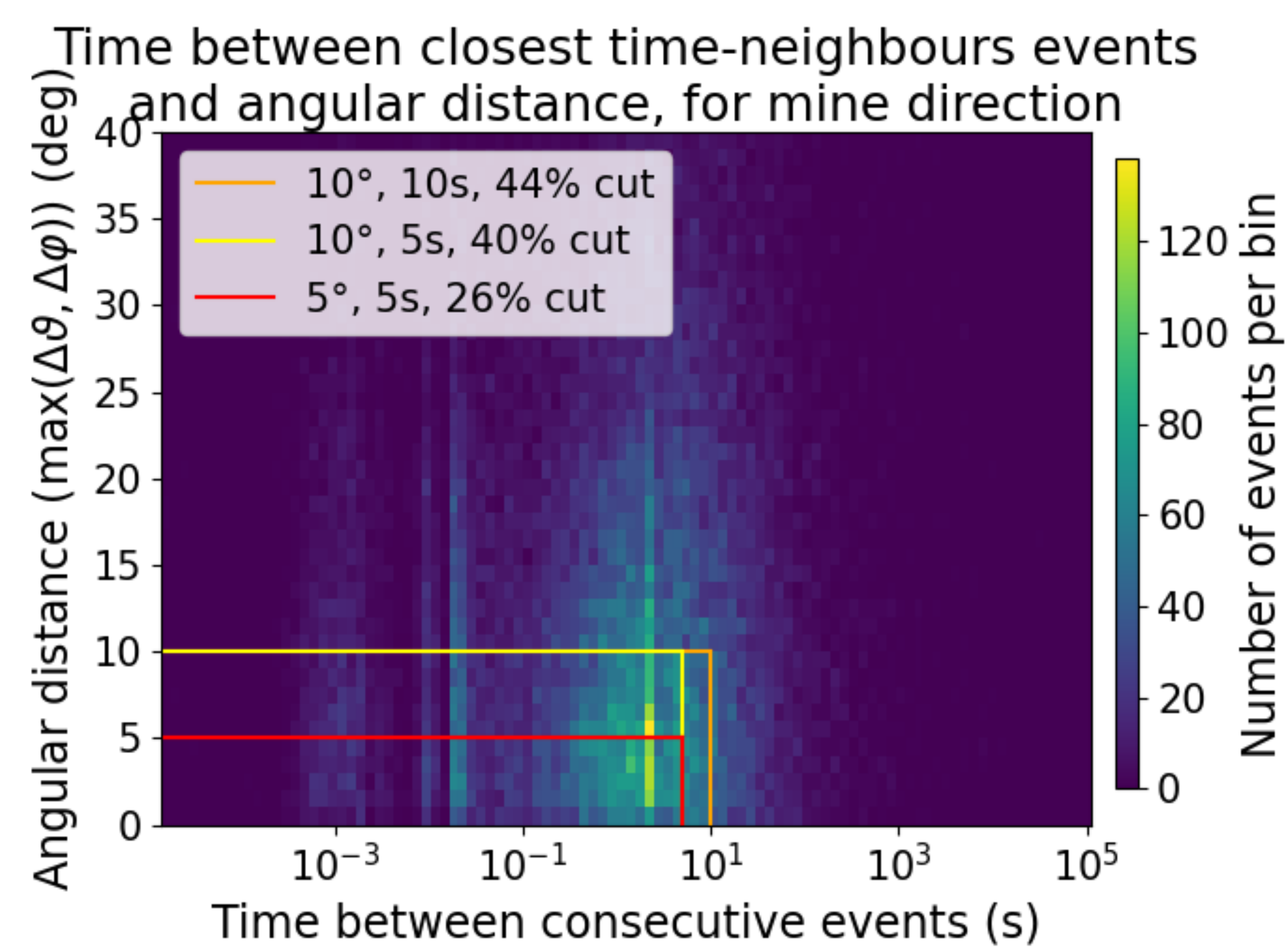
$$\Delta\vartheta < 5 \wedge \Delta\varphi < 5$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

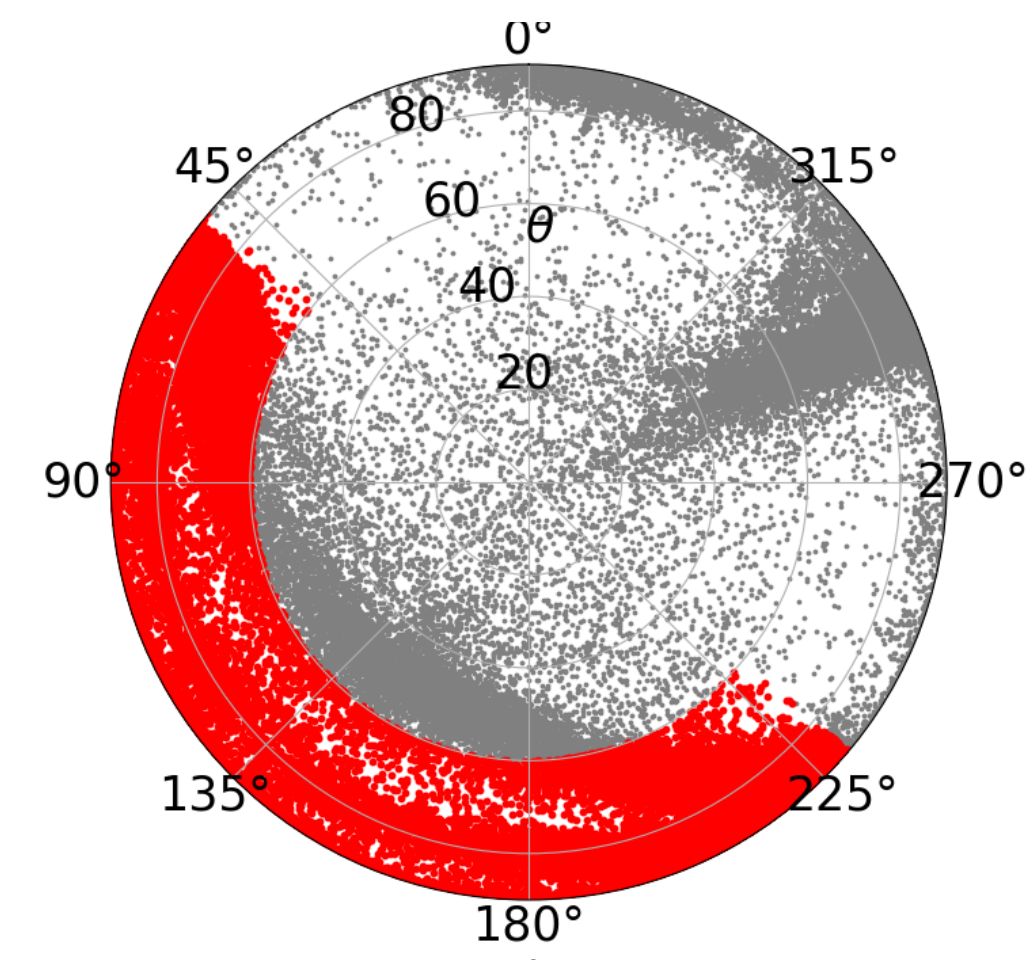
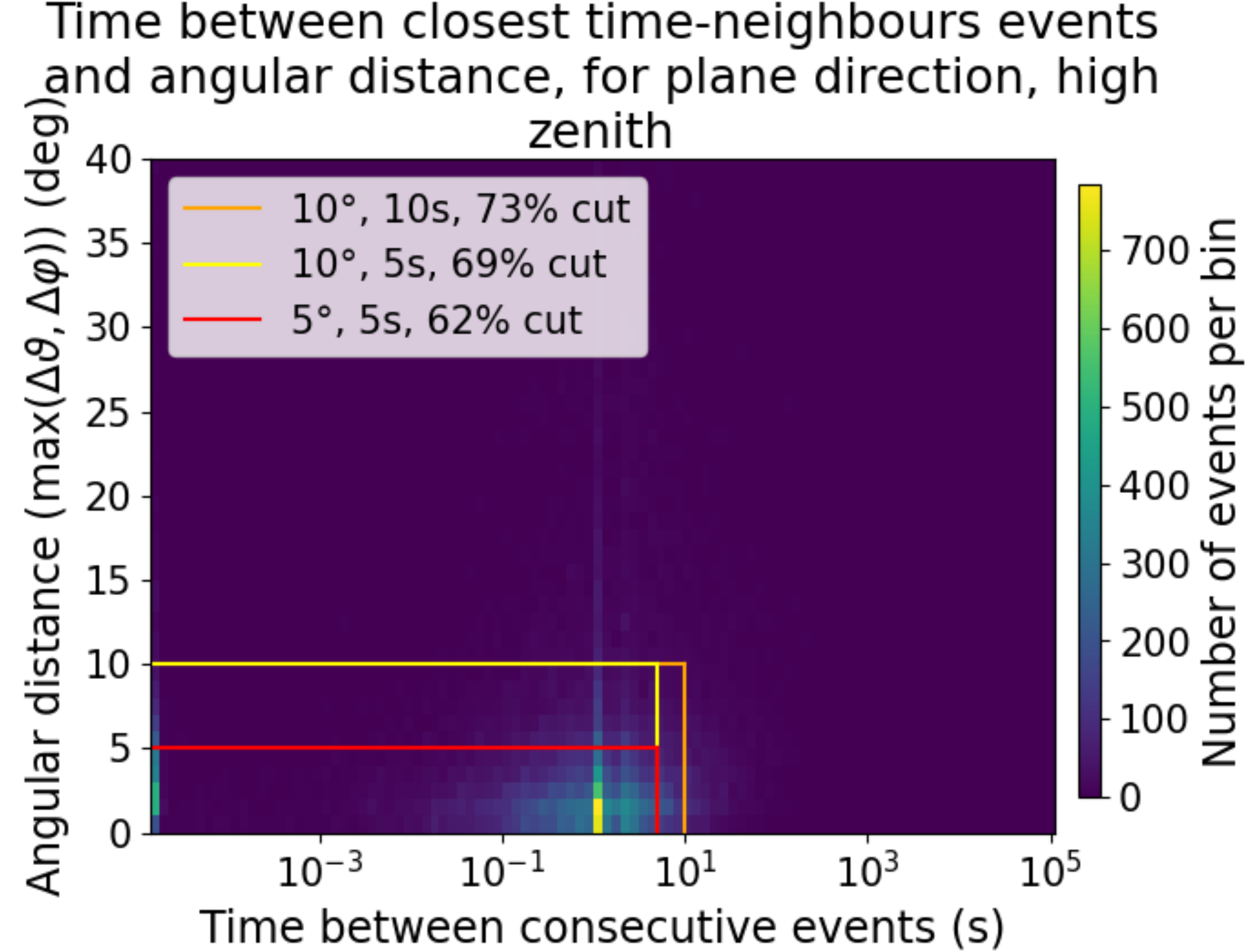
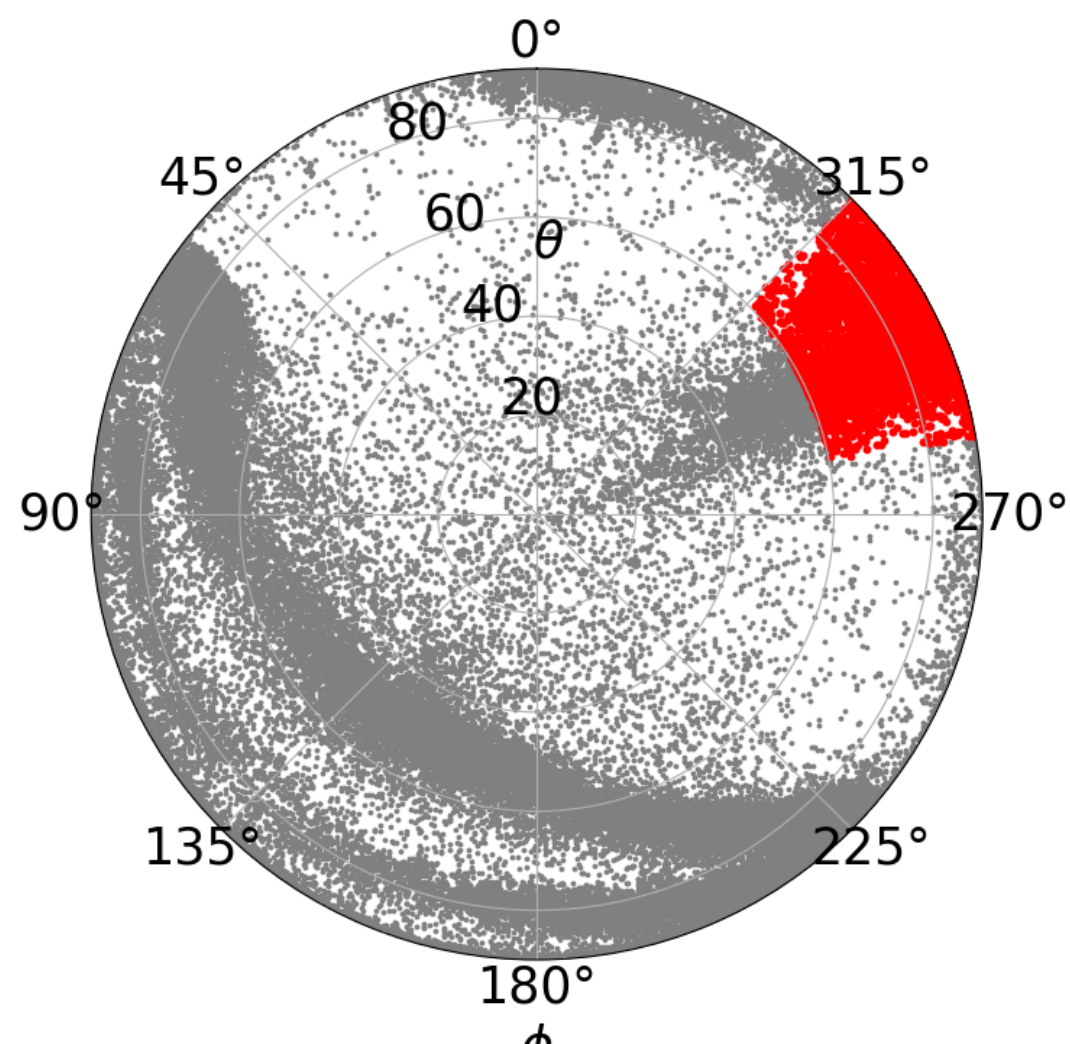
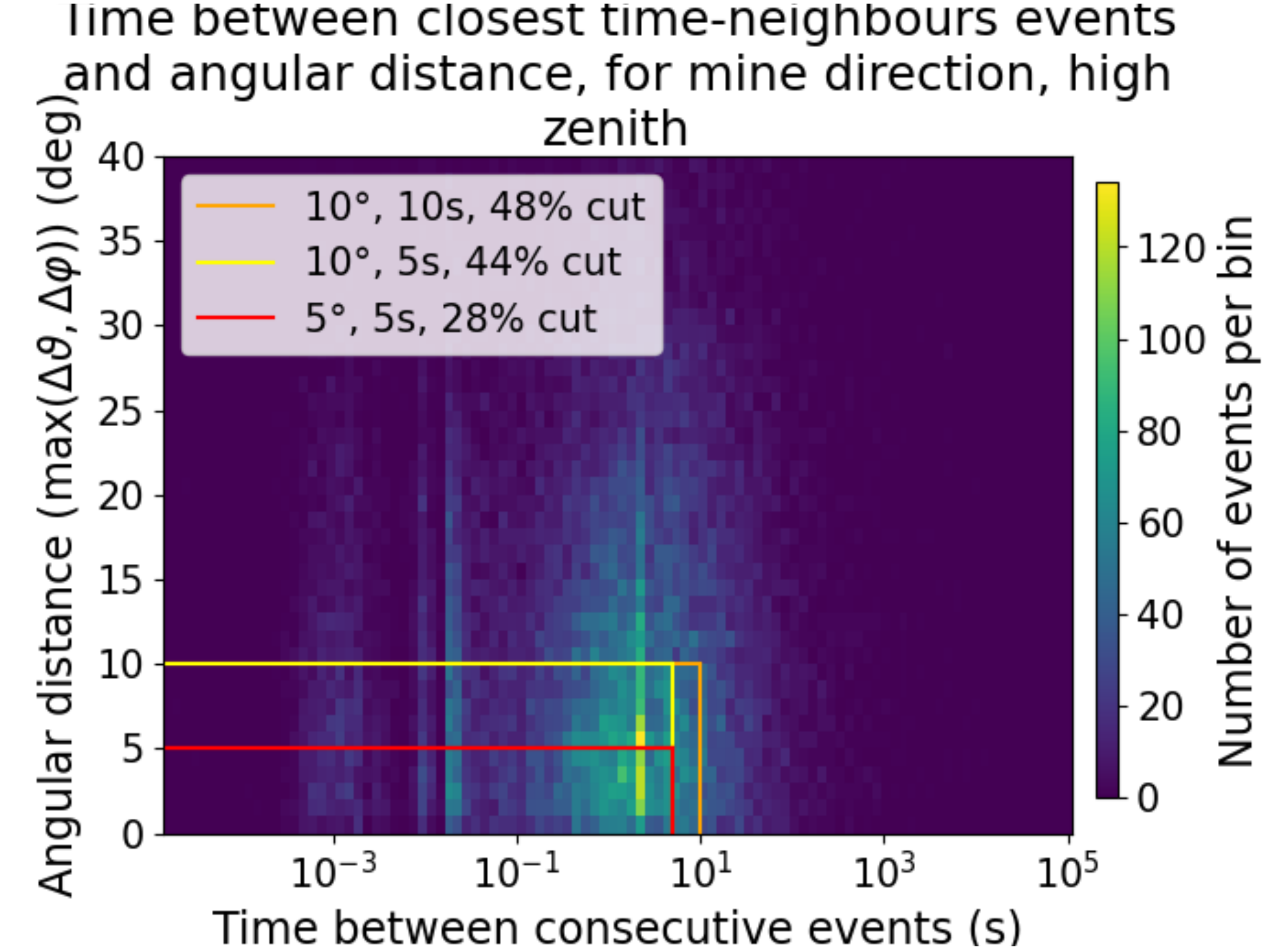
$$\max(\Delta\vartheta, \Delta\varphi) < 5$$

January data

3 sets of parameters tested









# Summary

## ◆ Enhanced polarisation cut:

- ❖ Cuts 30-40% data with a consistent cut
- ❖ Apply study to late-May simulations

## ◆ Clustering cut:

- ❖ Parameters could be changed, but for now prioritize conservative approach
- ❖ Noise clustering identification using ML

## ◆ Other physical cuts to explore:

- ❖ Footprint
- ❖ Timing

