



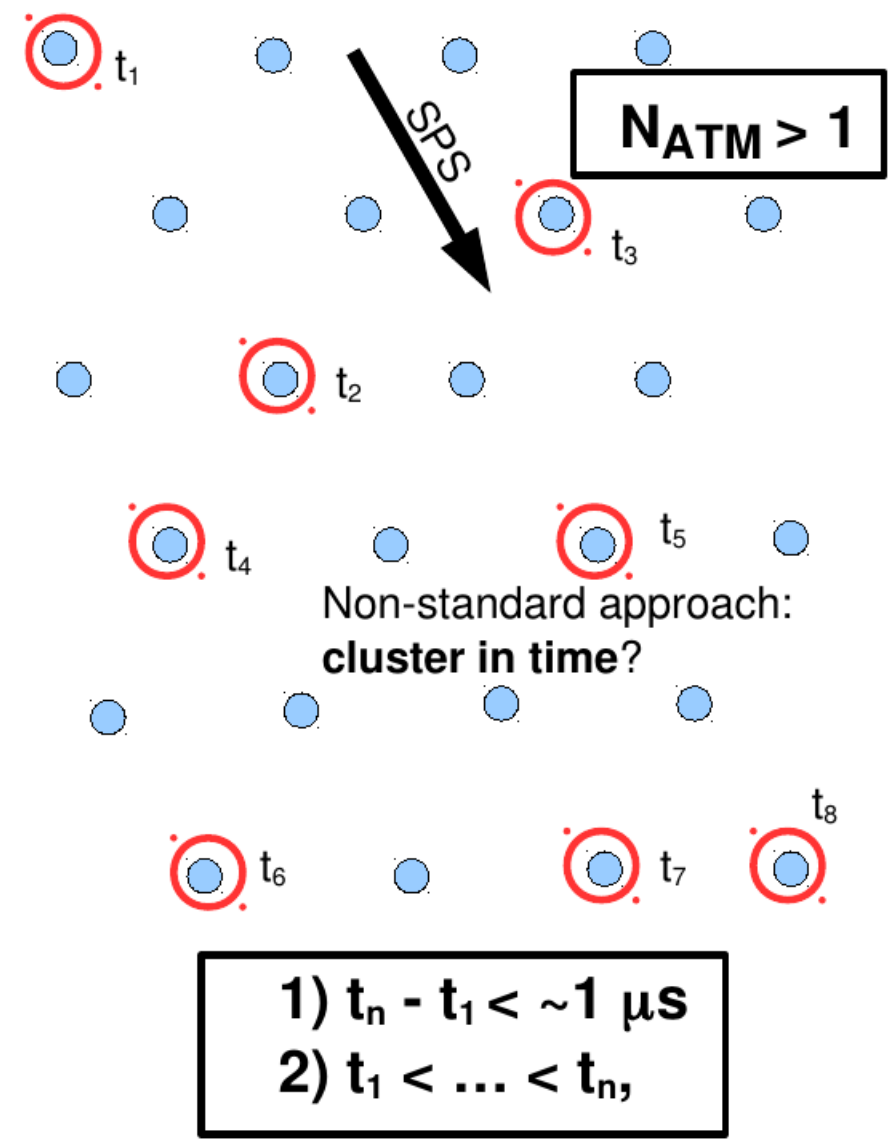
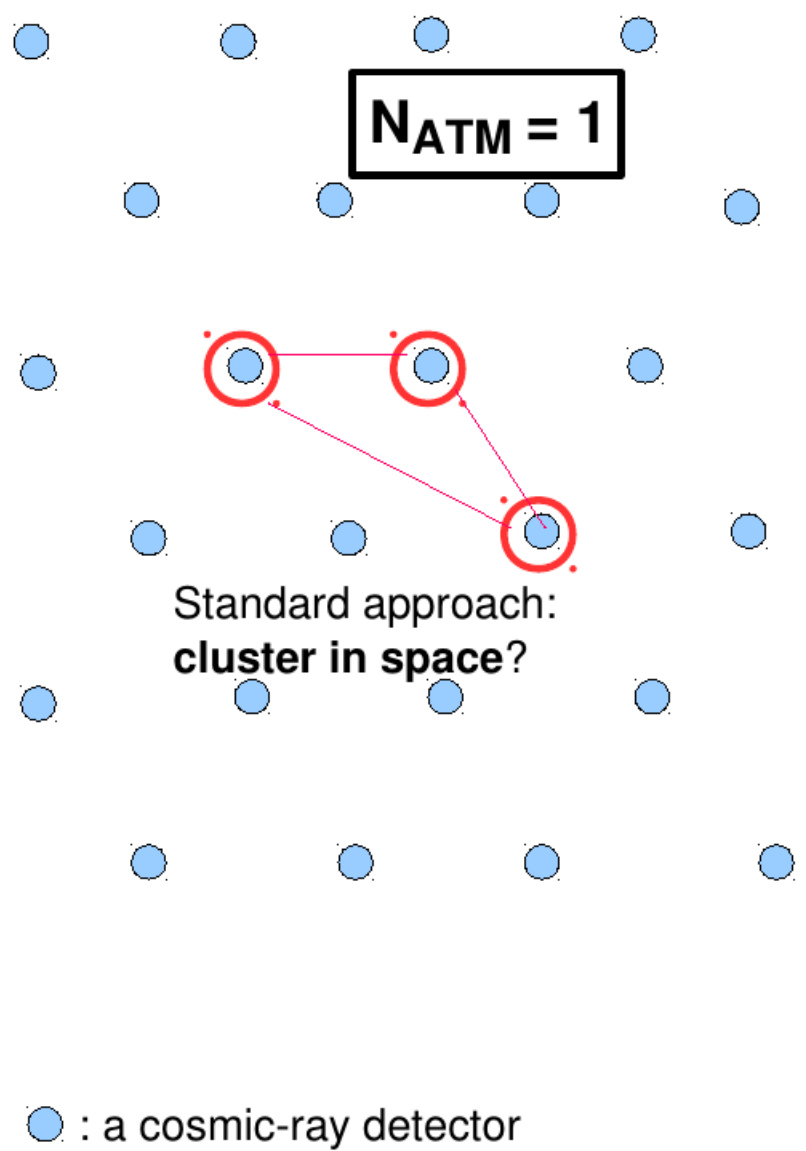
*Time clustering analysis: a tool to
search for unique signatures of
cosmic-ray ensembles*

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New trigger – chance for unique signature



1st step: collecting and sorting data

What is the data we are collecting?

- For **each** detector connected to the **CREDO network**:
 - *Timestamps* of recorded events.
 - *ID* of the detector.
- data is collected **every 24 hours**.
- Events are sorted by increasing timestamps

2206704	1409529600	40105068	1
2206664	1409529600	40105086	1
2206662	1409529600	46636506	1
2206704	1409529600	47116597	1
2206664	1409529600	47116626	1
509	1409529600	51999850	1
2206662	1409529600	52500763	1
2206703	1409529600	63566495	1
2206662	1409529600	63767873	1

Station id ←

Timestamp (sec) Timestamp (nano-sec)

Station status →

2nd step: time clustering algorithm

I. For a fixed time interval (e.g **1 sec**):

1. Event **binning** (independent bins) according to the time interval value.

Bin #1 = 7 events

2001	1409529600	217049975	1
501	1409529600	219996563	1
2206202	1409529600	220070763	1
13004	1409529600	231053887	1
2206662	1409529600	265092268	1
9	1409529601	46801302	1
2206119	1409529601	47441737	1

Bin #2 = 10 events

2206664	1409529601	281220536	1
2206119	1409529601	300426257	1
1008	1409529601	307228336	1
7201	1409529601	313531023	1
2206202	1409529601	316860028	1
201	1409529601	334307610	1
2206664	1409529601	613546422	1
2206704	1409529601	614602412	1
2206662	1409529601	672626733	1
7401	1409529602	17613273	1

Bin #3 = 6 events

2206704	1409529602	61444256	1
2206664	1409529602	61444278	1
2206704	1409529602	65807888	1
2206423	1409529602	88937619	1
2206662	1409529602	99130276	1
2206703	1409529602	115914891	1

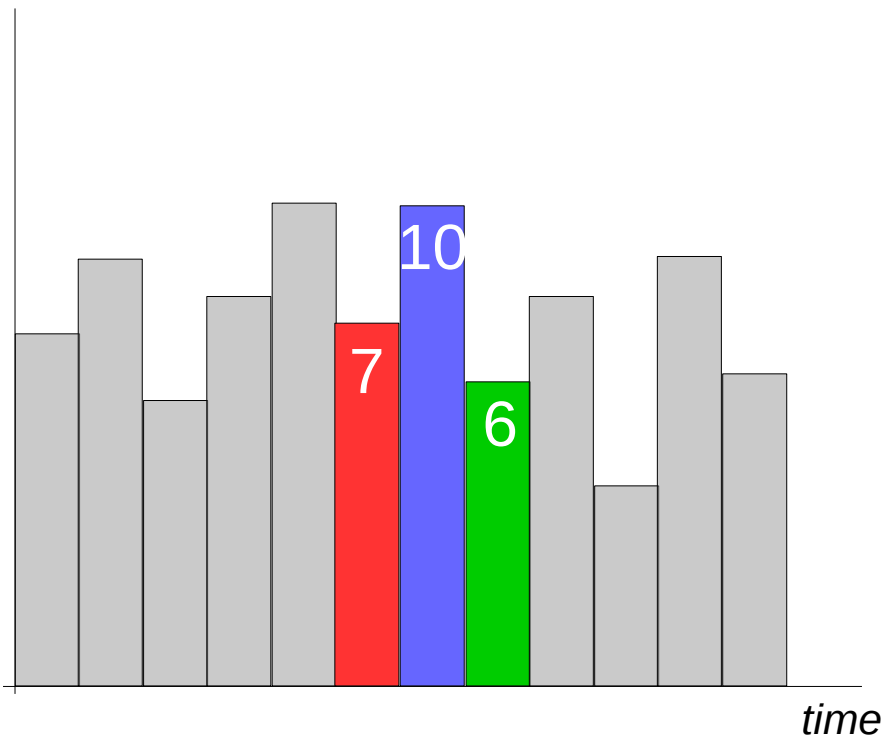
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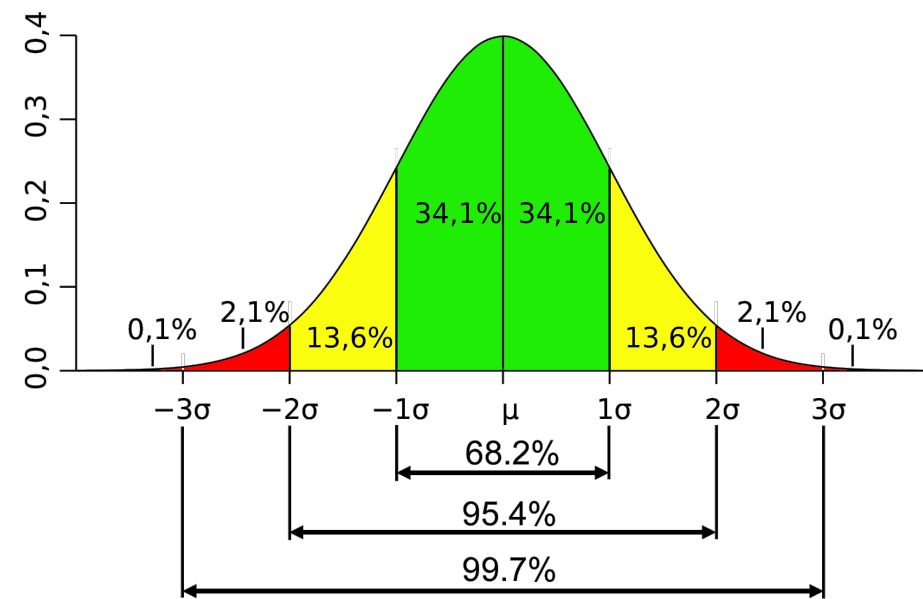
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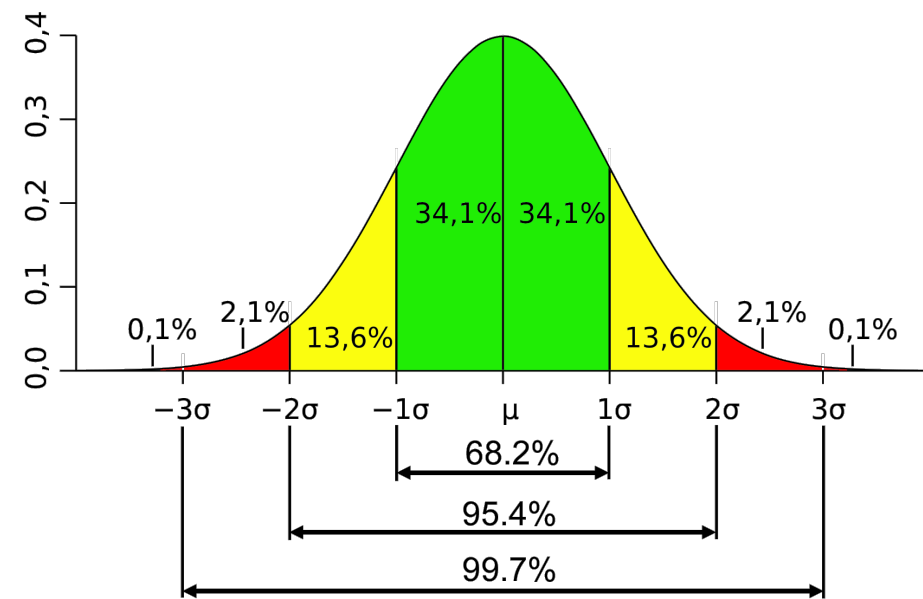
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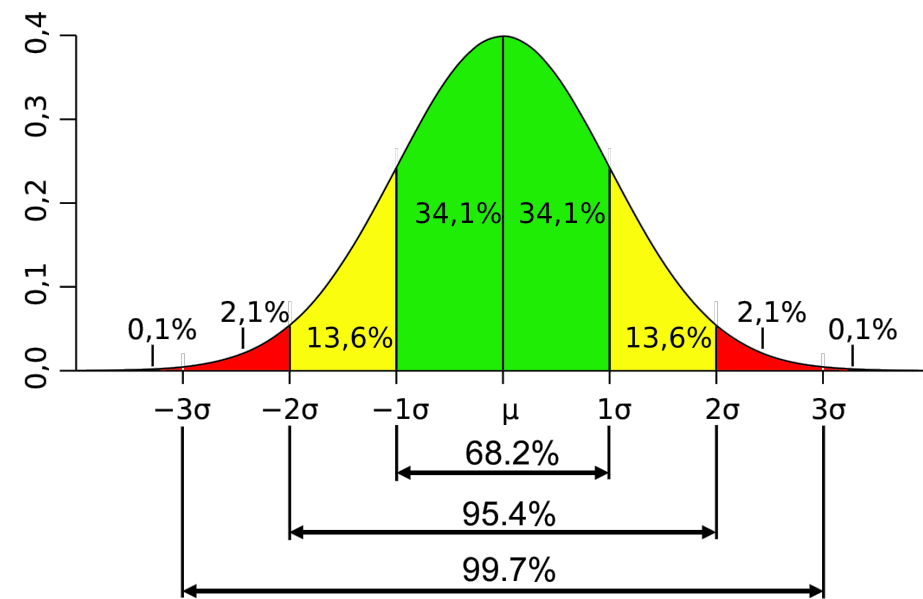
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II. Try **other time windows** (litterature: possibilities up to **5 minutes** time-correlated events).



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3rd step: output files – log file

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Performing time clustering analysis for day 2014-9-1
Type of analysis: independent bins - 100 bins on each side of analyzed cluster
Number of saved top clusters: 5
Extracting data...
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Summary of *fixed parameters*

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***** Analysis for t = 1 sec *****
Cluster #0 - Number of events: 139
Local average = 100.24 - Standard Deviation = 10.789
Sigma = 3.59255 - p-value = 0.000327464
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Cluster #1 - Number of events: 137
Local average = 101.55 - Standard Deviation = 10.8674
Sigma = 3.26206 - p-value = 0.00110605
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Cluster #2 - Number of events: 133
Local average = 92.08 - Standard Deviation = 9.92256
Sigma = 4.12394 - p-value = 3.72454e-05
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Cluster #3 - Number of events: 132
Local average = 103.445 - Standard Deviation = 10.5129
Sigma = 2.71618 - p-value = 0.00660393
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Cluster #4 - Number of events: 132
Local average = 97.82 - Standard Deviation = 11.5686
Sigma = 2.95456 - p-value = 0.00313113
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Results for a *particular time window*

Sum of sigmas = 16.6493

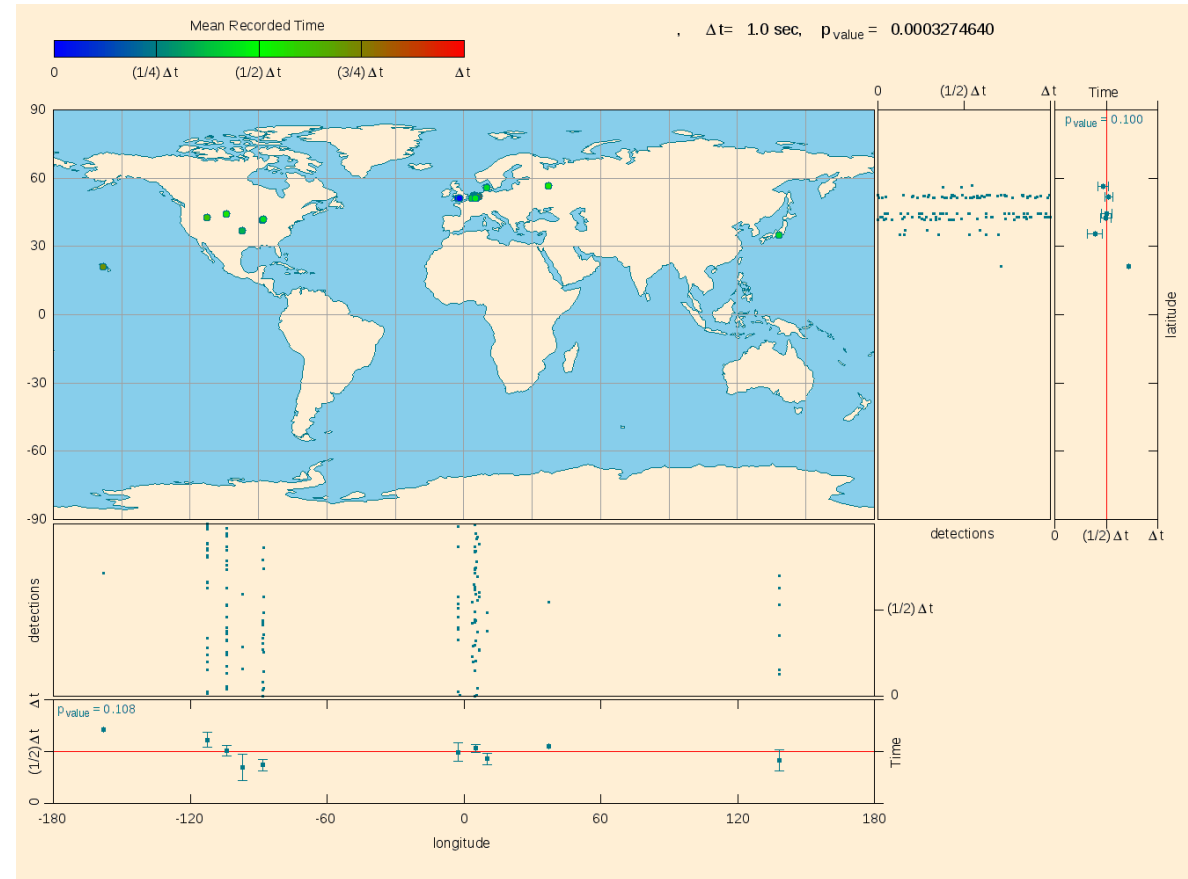
Sum of sigmas used to select the *most interesting time window*

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***** Analysis for t = 2 sec *****
Cluster #0 - Number of events: 249
Local average = 201.005 - Standard Deviation = 17.7206
Sigma = 2.70843 - p-value = 0.00676027
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Cluster #1 - Number of events: 246
Local average = 207.15 - Standard Deviation = 14.8308
Sigma = 2.61955 - p-value = 0.0088047
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Cluster #2 - Number of events: 242
Local average = 205.97 - Standard Deviation = 14.5955
Sigma = 2.46858 - p-value = 0.0135652
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Cluster #3 - Number of events: 242
Local average = 205.95 - Standard Deviation = 15.3034
Sigma = 2.35568 - p-value = 0.0184887
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4th step: example of application

Cluster file \longrightarrow Zooniverse – citizen science project*

1	0.000327464	Parameters
1409529600	3.59	
100.24	139	
305	58804.075572595	Events
2206119	58804.075866497	
8003	58804.080310691	
13201	58804.082681783	
2206662	58804.089460474	
13102	58804.099172147	
2206662	58804.101807169	
2206119	58804.109883122	
2206664	58804.116747533	
2206703	58804.117602896	
2005	58804.117996883	
2206704	58804.126996242	
2206119	58804.152438426	
2206423	58804.198436665	
2206664	58804.202340671	
2206703	58804.212477937	
505	58804.216749126	



* **Dark Universe Welcome:** looking for patterns in time arrivals of *possibly* correlated events. Involves **non-scientists**.

Conclusion and outlook

- Simple algorithm to detect excesses of events
→ only **timestamps** and **location** of detection needed
- Can be improved by taking into account the status of the stations and possible external impacts on event counts.
- **More stations = better statistics**
- Already operating for map classification (see “*CREDO monitor: the simplest tool for real data analysis*” talk by O. Sushchov)

