

A new Deep Learning model for Gamma-Ray Bursts' light curves generation

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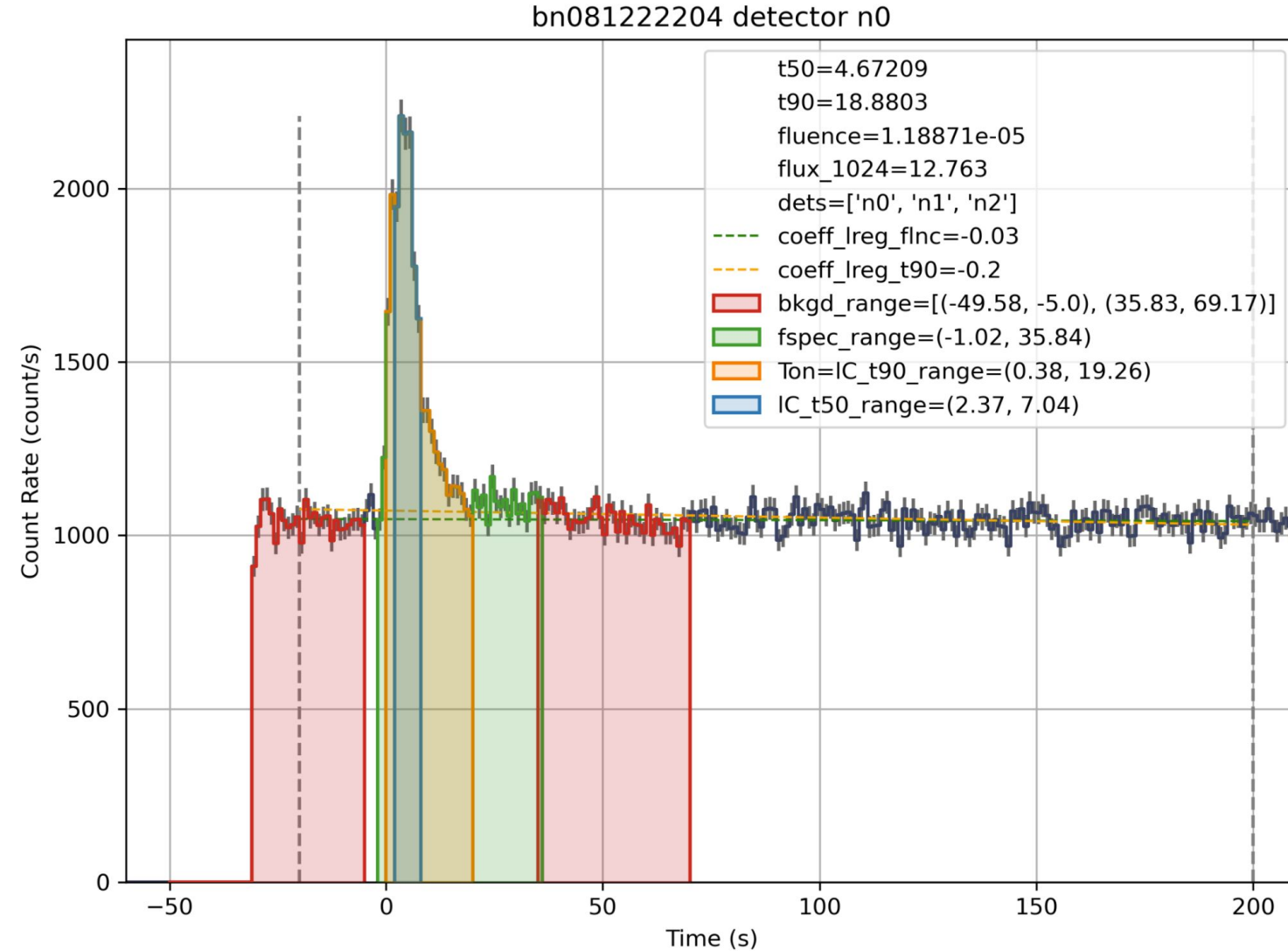
Gamma-Ray Bursts

- GRBs are events that can generate more energy in 10 seconds than the Sun can in its entire lifetime
- They are **transient events** that can last from milliseconds to several hours
- Can be produced by **various sources**
 - *Neutron stars mergers*
 - *Collapse of massive stars*

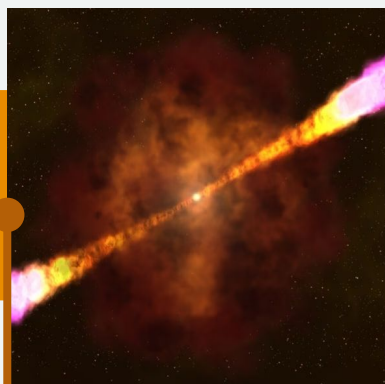
Several space missions (like **AGILE** and **Fermi**) and ground-based instruments work to discover new GRB every day

Light curves

- Data are considered as **time series**
- Light curves are plot representing aggregated counts in bins with a **certain time interval**
- It is then used to **analyze the temporal trend** of a gamma-ray source

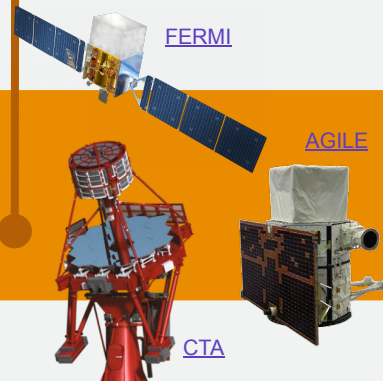


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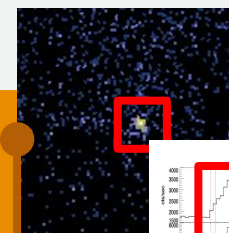


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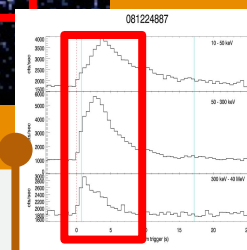
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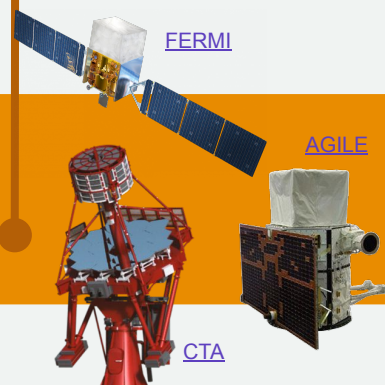
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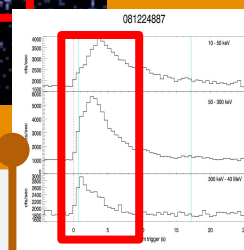
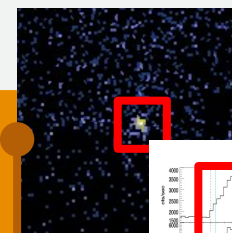
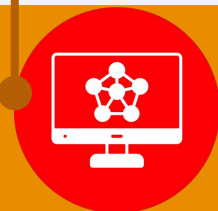


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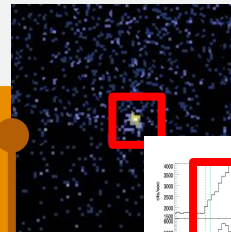
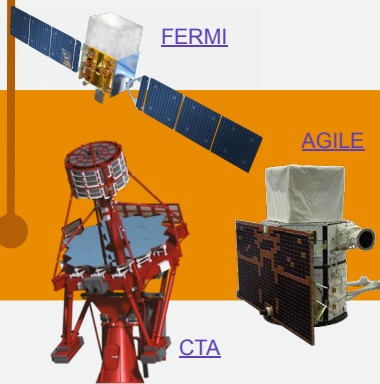
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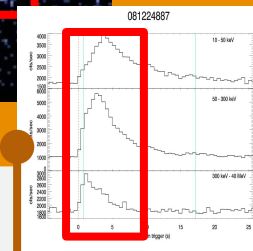
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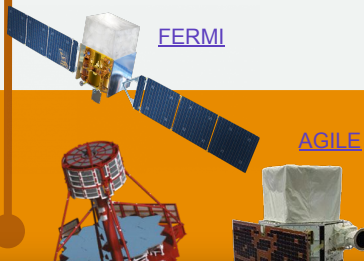


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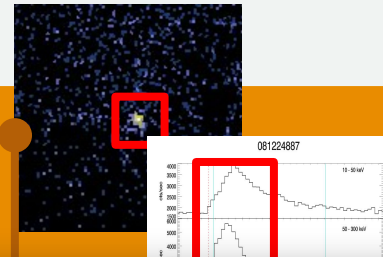


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Unfortunately, GRBs are **rare phenomena** so they are difficult to obtain.

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We present the fourth in a series of catalogs of gamma-ray bursts (GRBs) observed with Fermi's Gamma-Ray Burst Monitor (Fermi-GBM). It extends the six year catalog by four more years, now covering the ten year time period from trigger enabling on 2008 July 12 to 2018 July 11. **During this time period GBM triggered almost twice a day on transient events of which we identified 2356 as cosmic GRBs.** Additional trigger events were due to solar flare events, magnetar burst activities, and terrestrial gamma-ray flashes. The intention of the GBM GRB catalog series is to provide updated information to the community on the most important observables of the GBM-detected GRBs. For each GRB the location and main characteristics of the prompt emission, the duration, peak flux, and fluence are derived. The latter two quantities are calculated for the 50-300 keV energy band, where the maximum energy release of GRBs in the instrument reference system is observed and also for a broader energy band from 10-1000 keV, exploiting the full energy range of GBM's low-energy detectors. Furthermore, information is given on the settings of the triggering criteria and exceptional operational conditions during years 7 to 10 in the mission. This fourth catalog is an official product of the Fermi-GBM science team, and the data files containing the complete results are available from the High-Energy Astrophysics Science Archive Research Center (HEASARC).

Comments: 273 pages, 10 figures, 8 tables. This is a 10 year catalog update of [arXiv:1603.07612](https://arxiv.org/abs/1603.07612)
Subjects: **High Energy Astrophysical Phenomena (astro-ph.HE)**
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A DL model to simulate GRBs

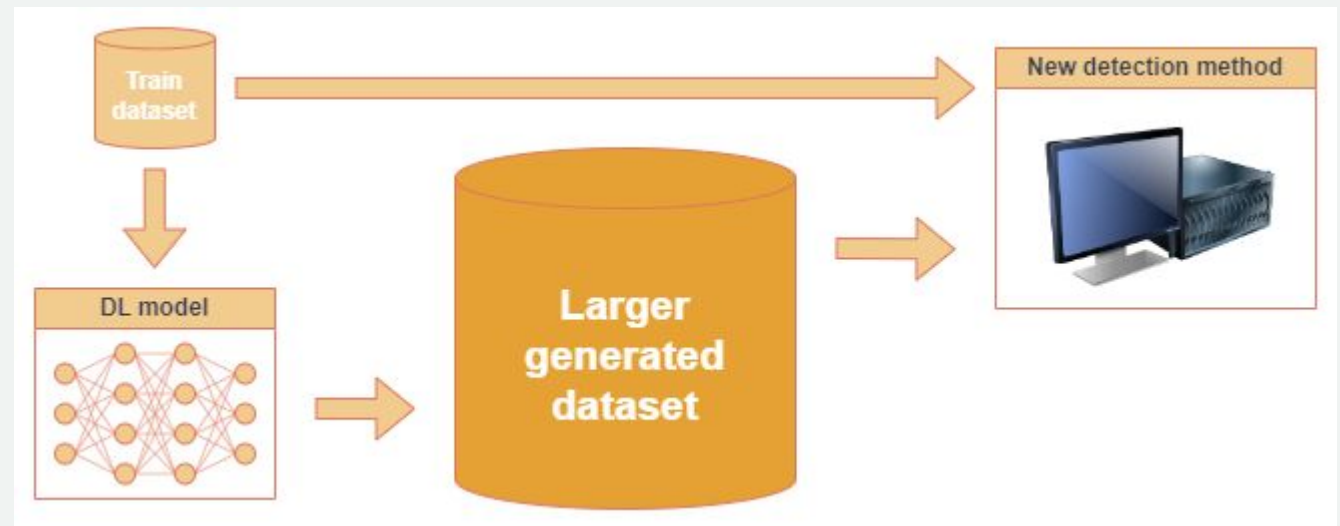
We developed a **Deep Learning** model to generate GRBs' LCs



Obtain **larger dataset of LCs**

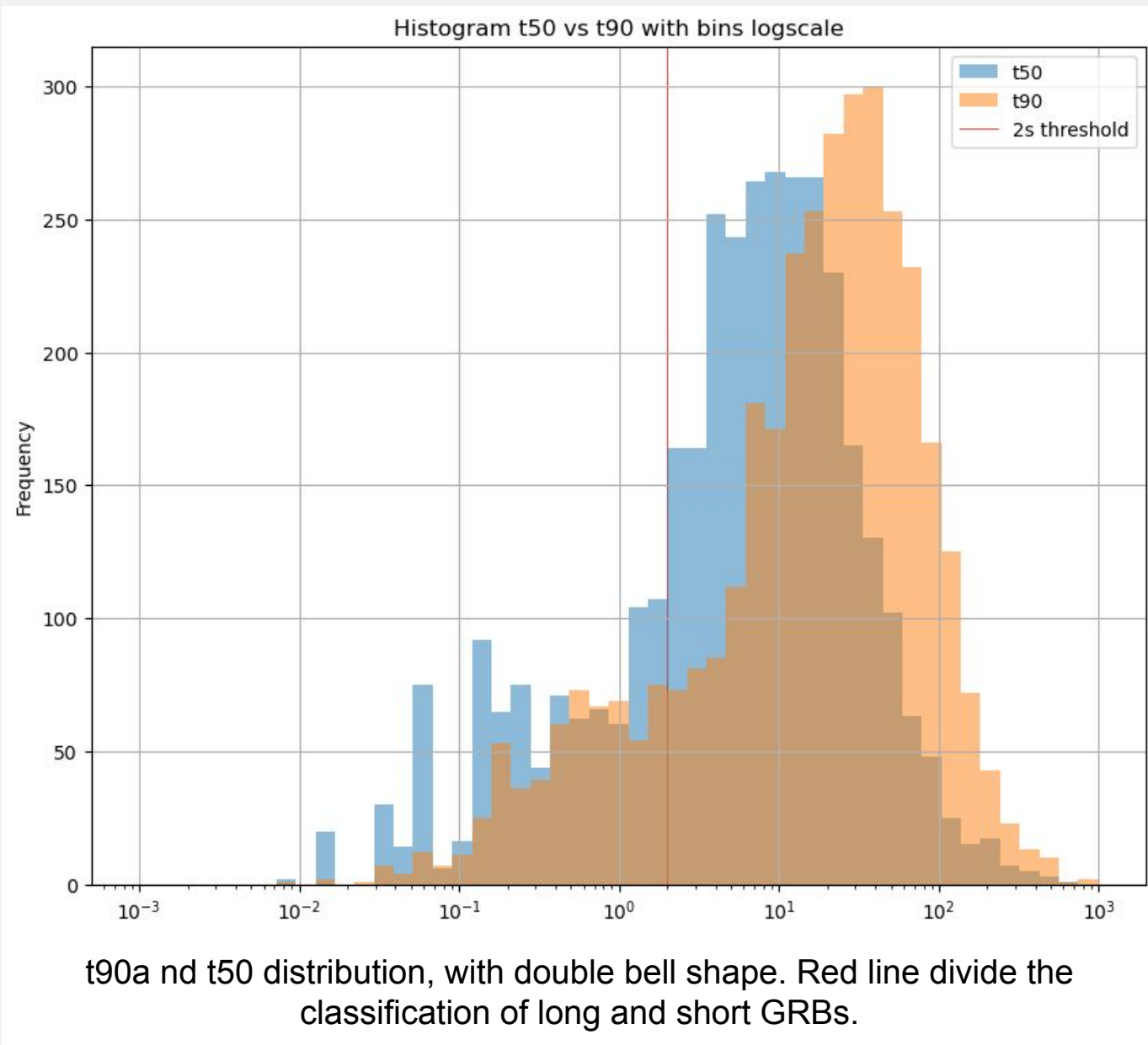


Train and evaluate new GRBs detection methods



Preprocessing

- LCs obtained from *4th Fermi-GBM GRB Catalog*
 - 3.608 GRBs, 11.869 LCs
- LCs of the same GRB detected by multiple detectors are **independent time series**
 - *as data augmentation*
- We selected only **long GRBs** ($t_{90} > 2\text{s}$)
- We extracted LCs of **220 seconds** and **bins of 1 second**
- All the light curves time are in the range $[-20, 200]$
 - *respect to the trigger time t_0*



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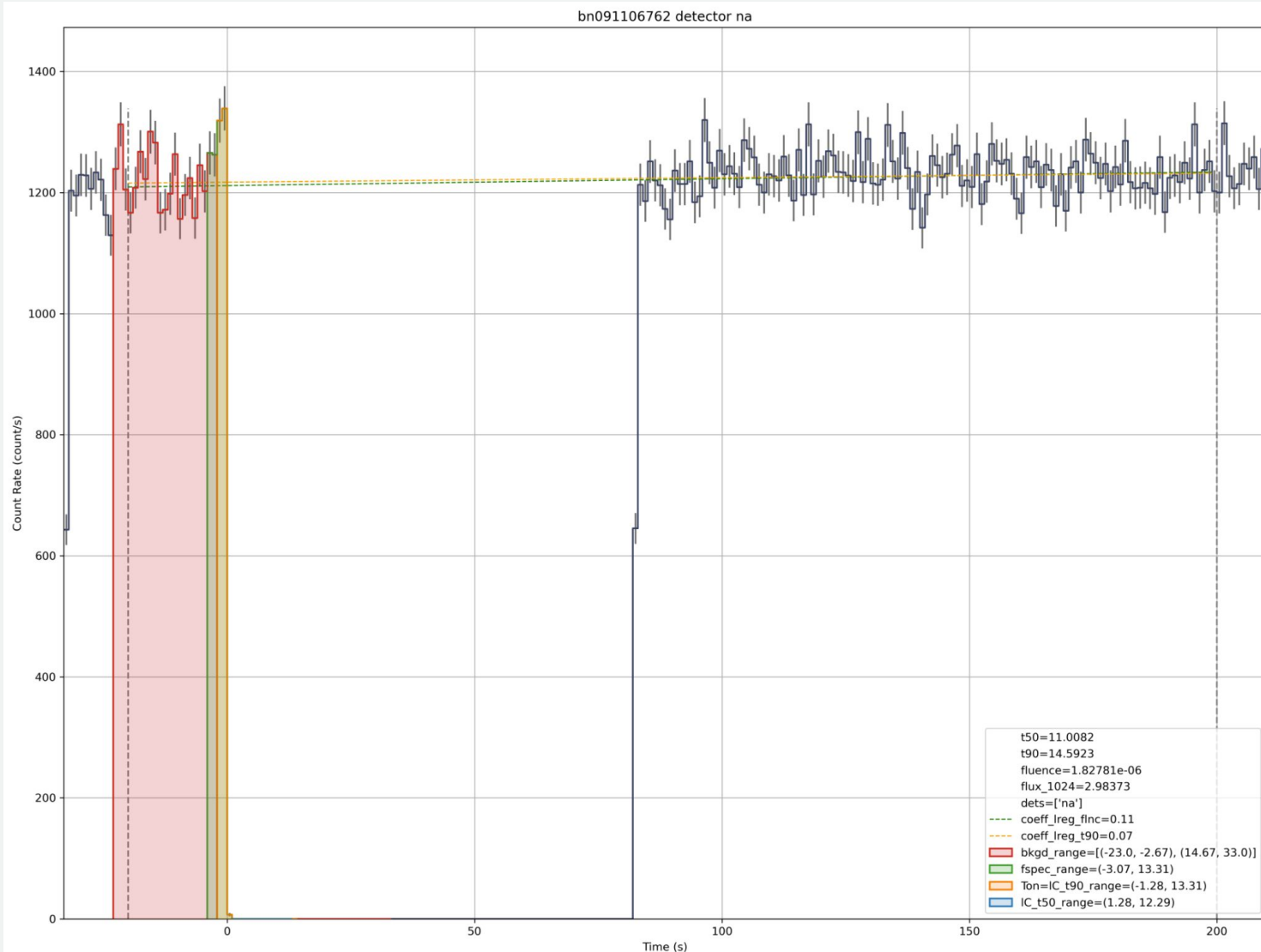
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Drop LCs with missing values in the burst flow range

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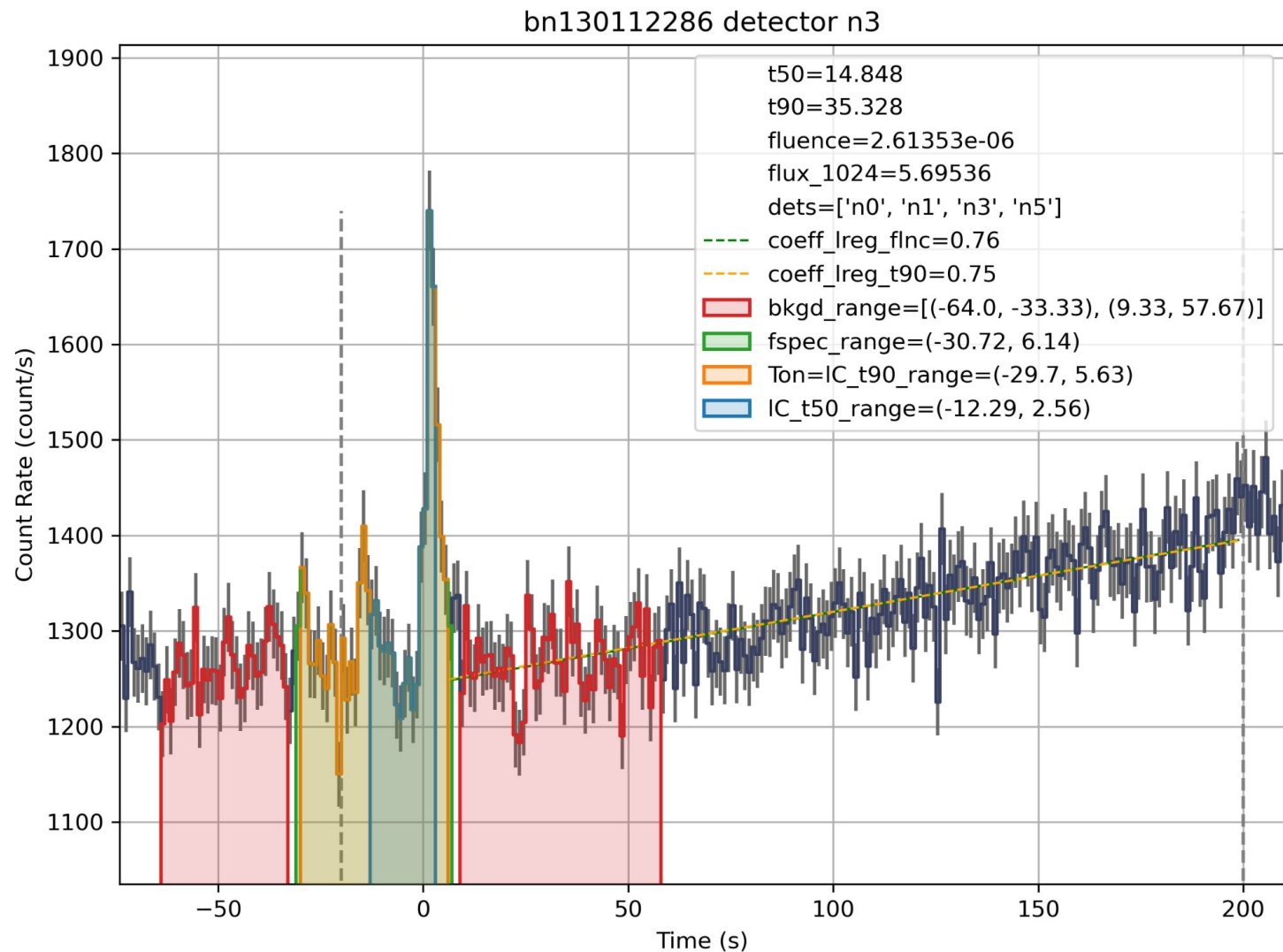
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Drop LCs with **strange trends in background**, using a Linear Regressor (LR) fit on background regions with LR's **angular coefficient $coef$** s.t. $coef < -0.4 \wedge coef > 0.4$

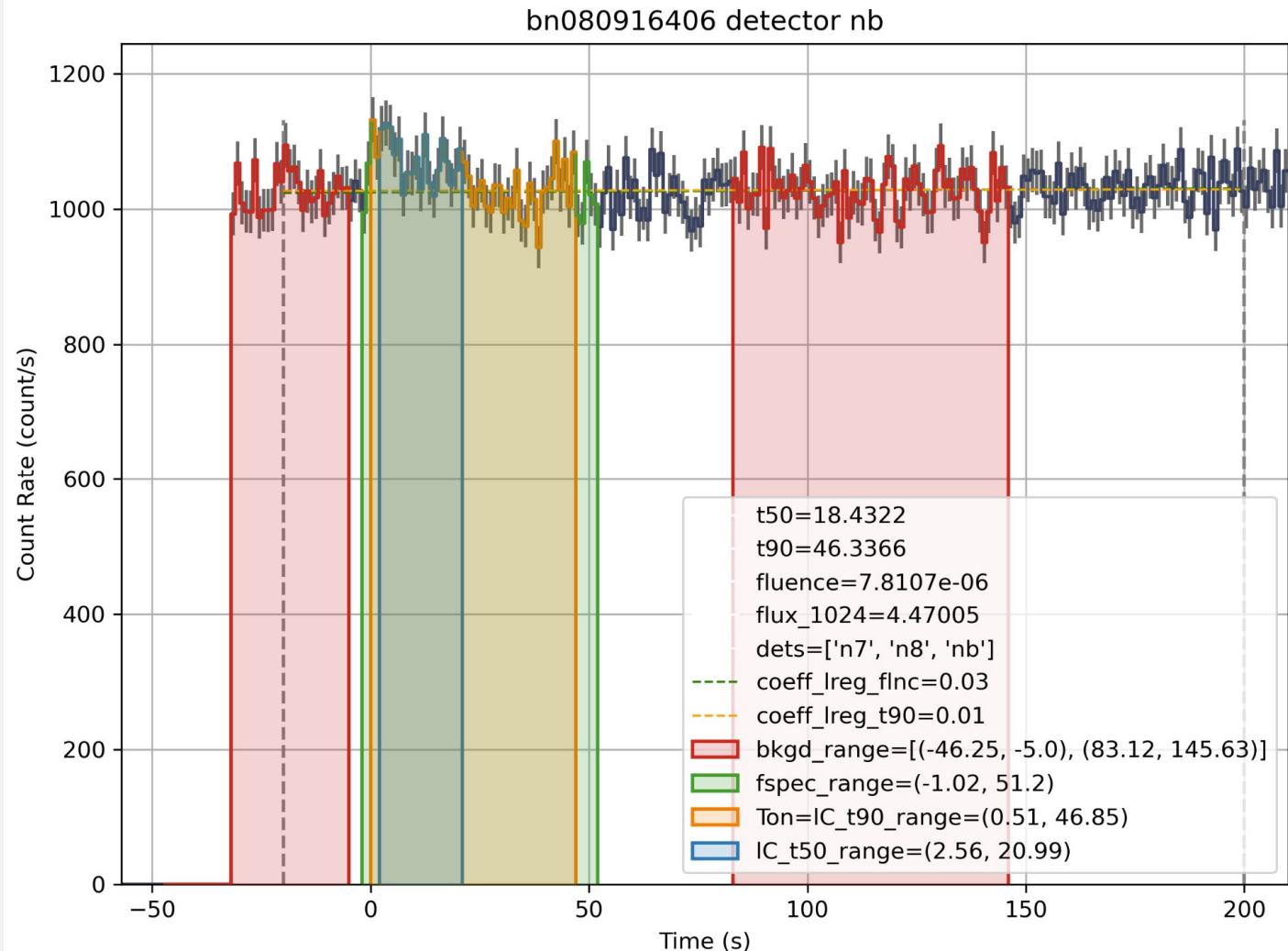
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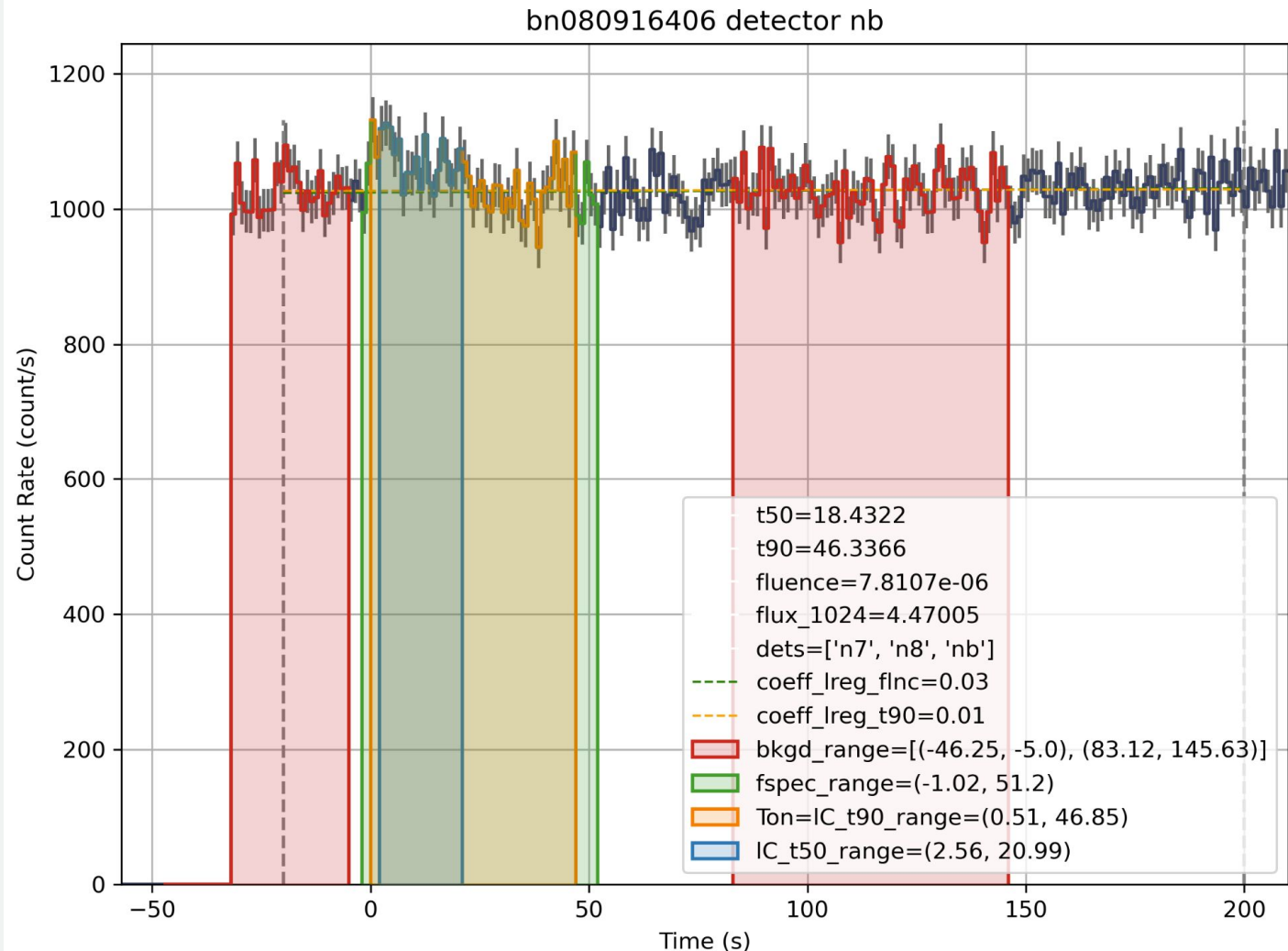
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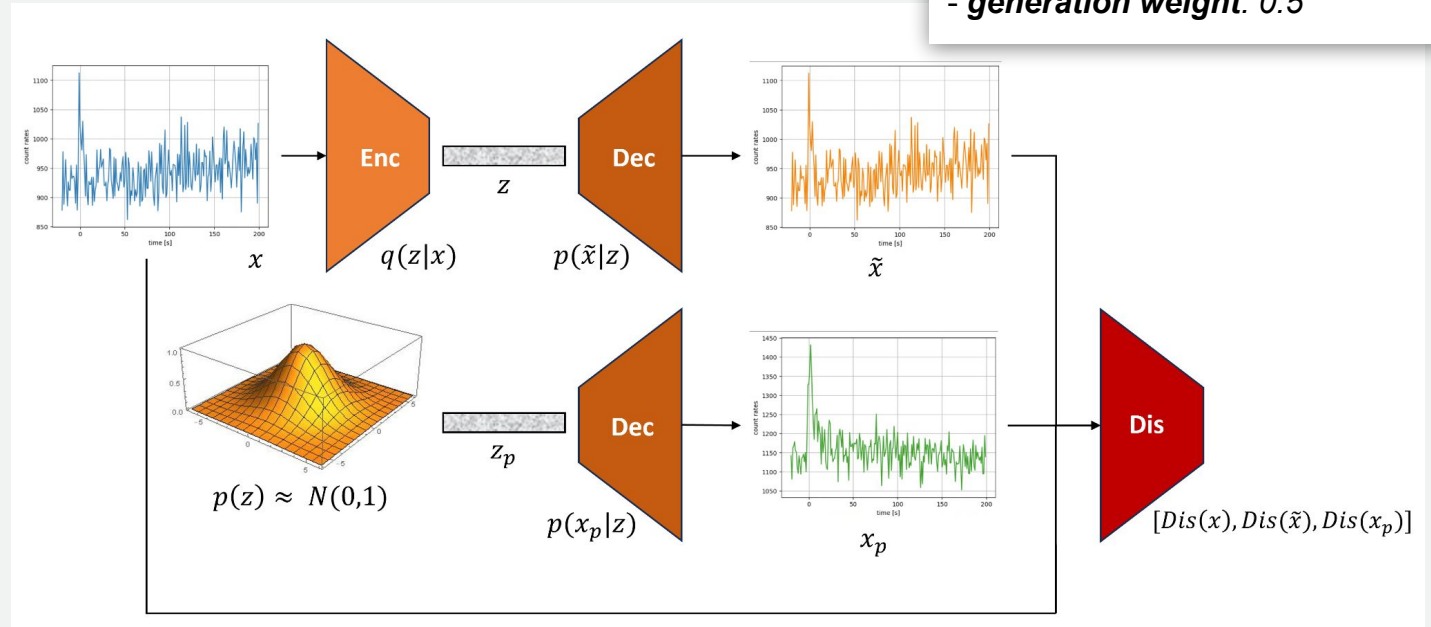
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VAEGAN

- This DL model combines advantages of GANs and VAEs
 - *learns to encode and decode data*
 - *learns to compare dataset samples*
 - *this model produces high-quality and structured generative results while preserving latent space structure*
- 3 modules:
 - *Encoder*
 - *Decoder/Generator*
 - *Discriminator*
- The model is implemented using CNN layers to capture spatial local structures

Training recipe:

- *epochs: 1000*
- *batch size: 16*
- *Adam, lr: 5e-4*
- **reconstruction weight: 0.5**
- **generation weight: 0.5**



Larsen et al. in, 2016

Results

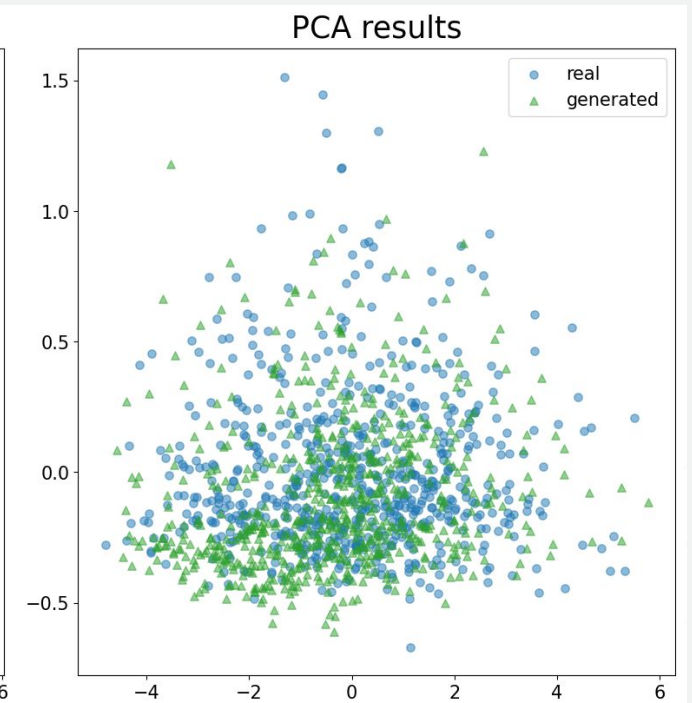
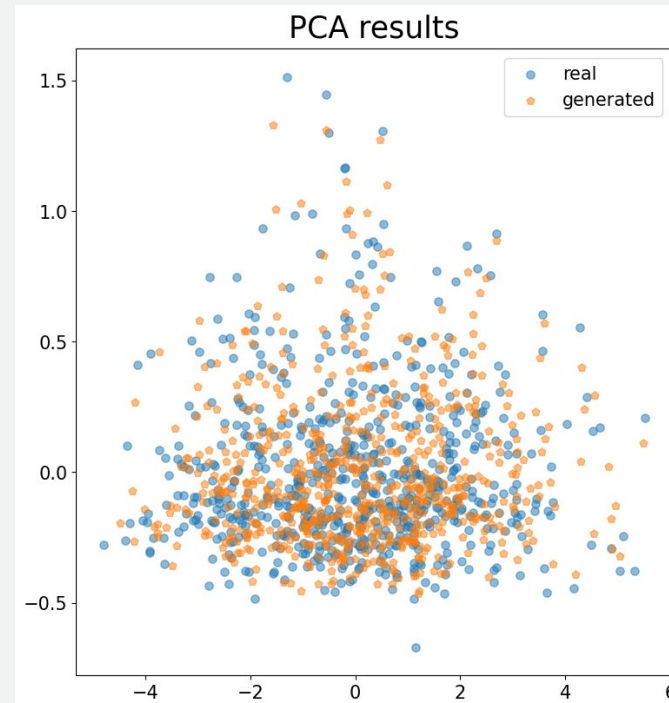
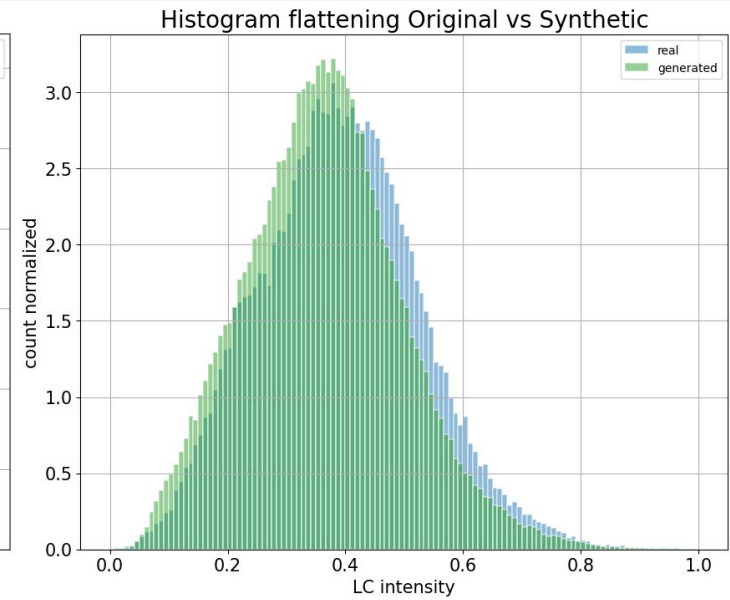
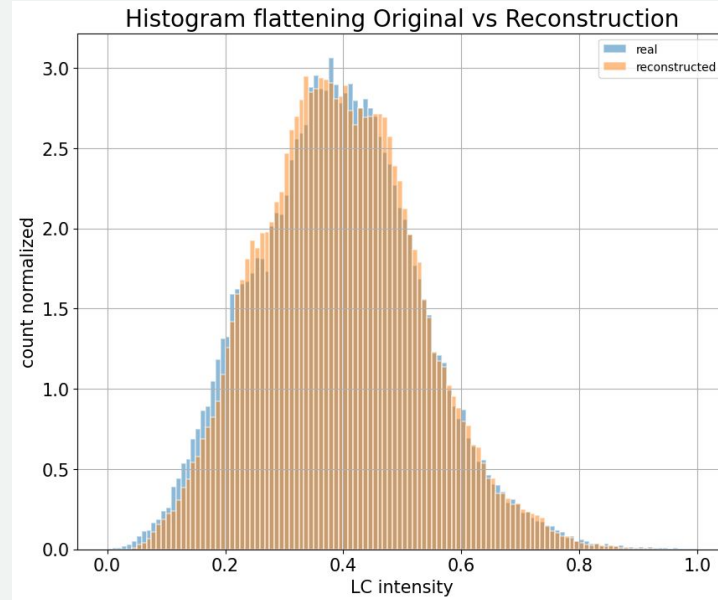
- **Reconstruction**: count rates histograms **don't overlap perfectly** but it is still reasonable

- L2 distance: 1.09
- Wasserstein distance: 0.01

- **Generation**:

- *A **discrepancy** can be noticed.*
- *The rates of the simulated LCs are shifted further to the left than those of the reals, so they tend to be **weaker***
- *In **PCA** a **good dispersion** of the simulated LCs is evident*
- *They are also **evenly distributed** with the **real** LCs (blue dots) **except in the bottom part of the plot***

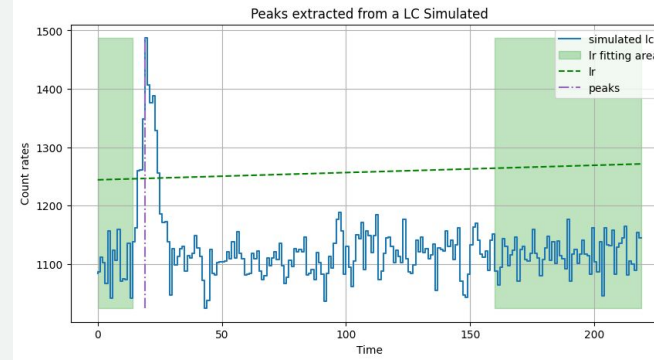
- L2 distance: 2.73
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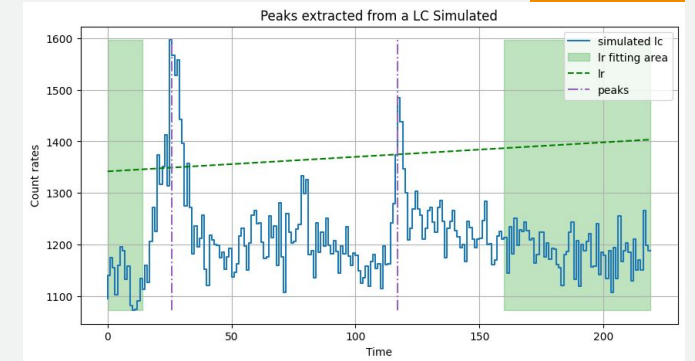
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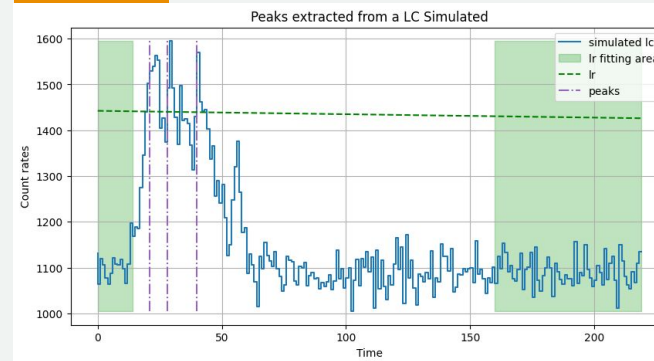
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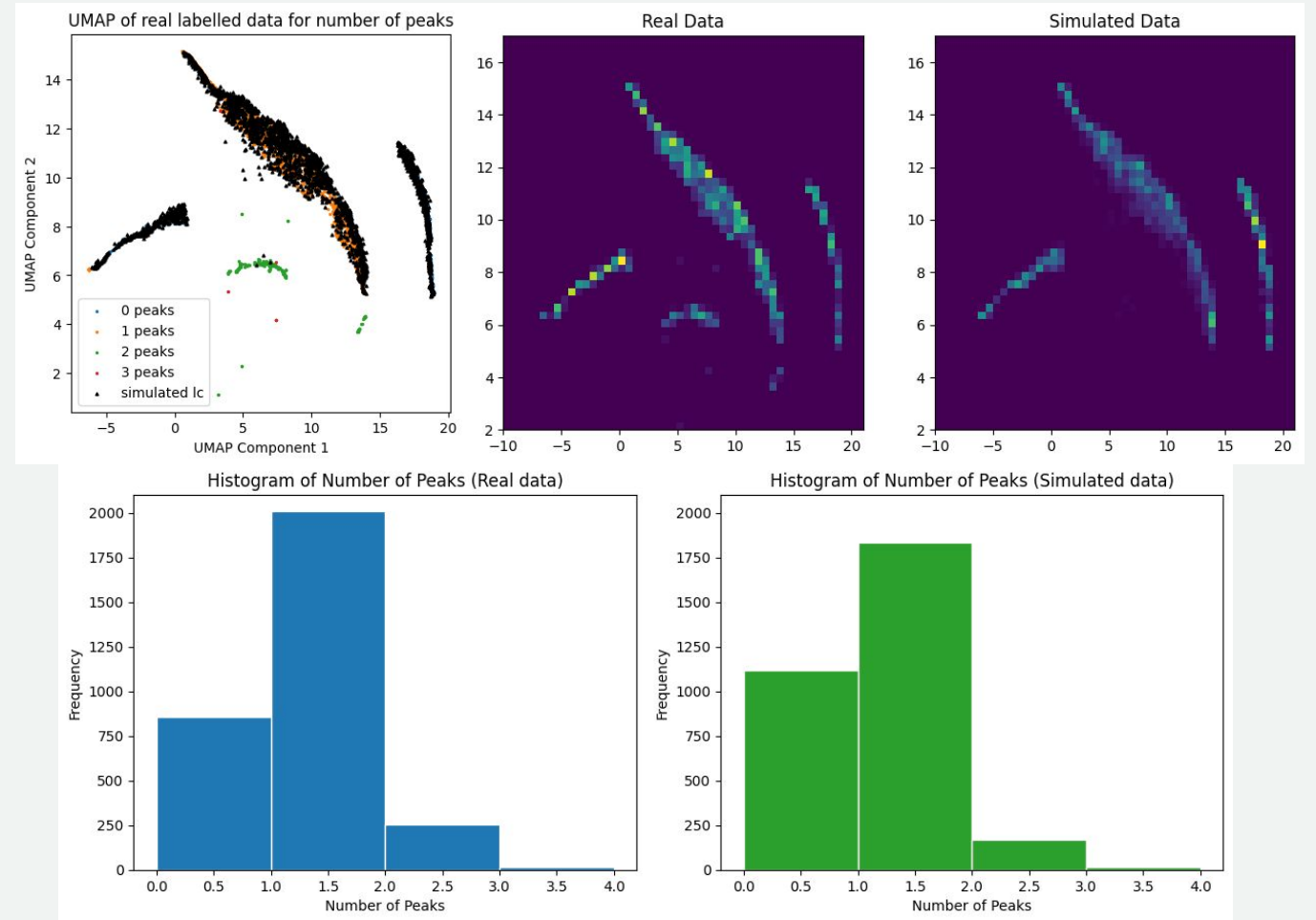


3 peak

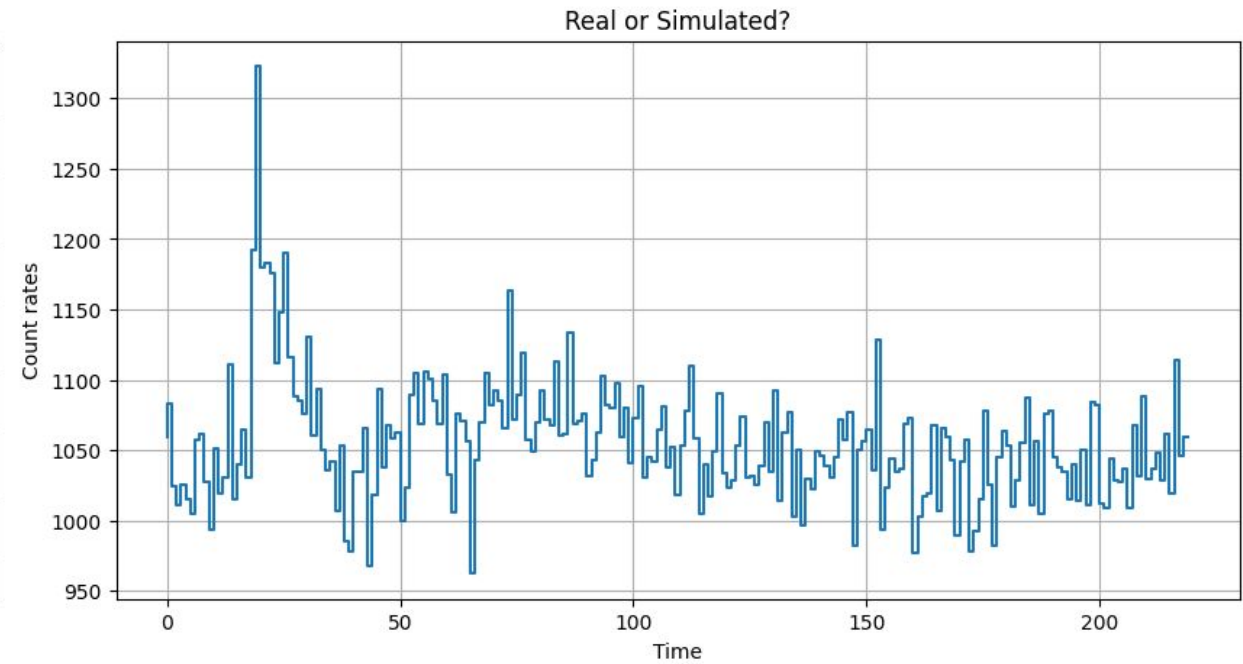
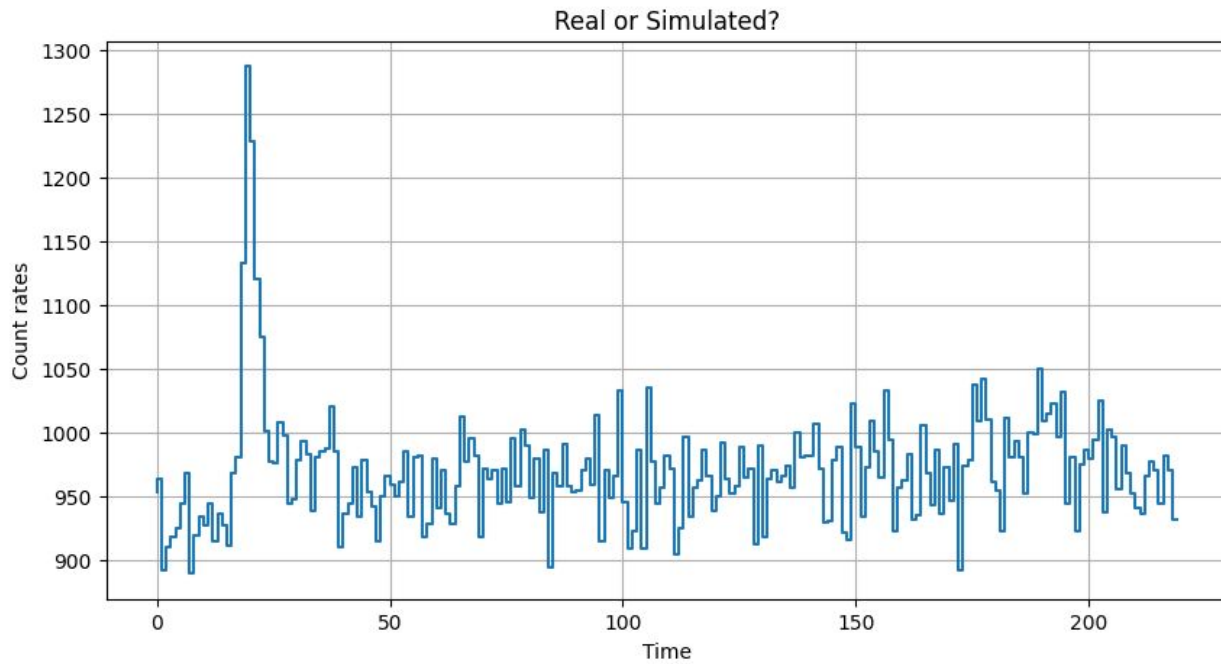


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 - **fit a dimensionality reduction technique on real data** to find clusters of data that have the same labels in common
 - plot the reduced simulated data and analyze the distances with the labeled real data

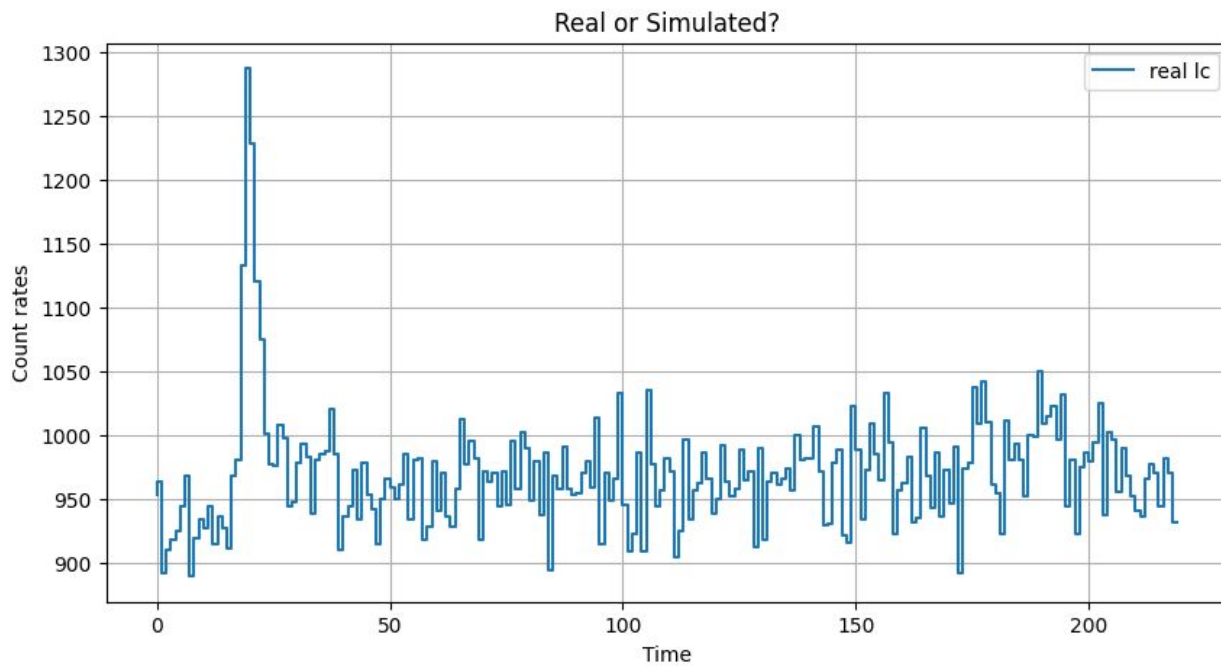


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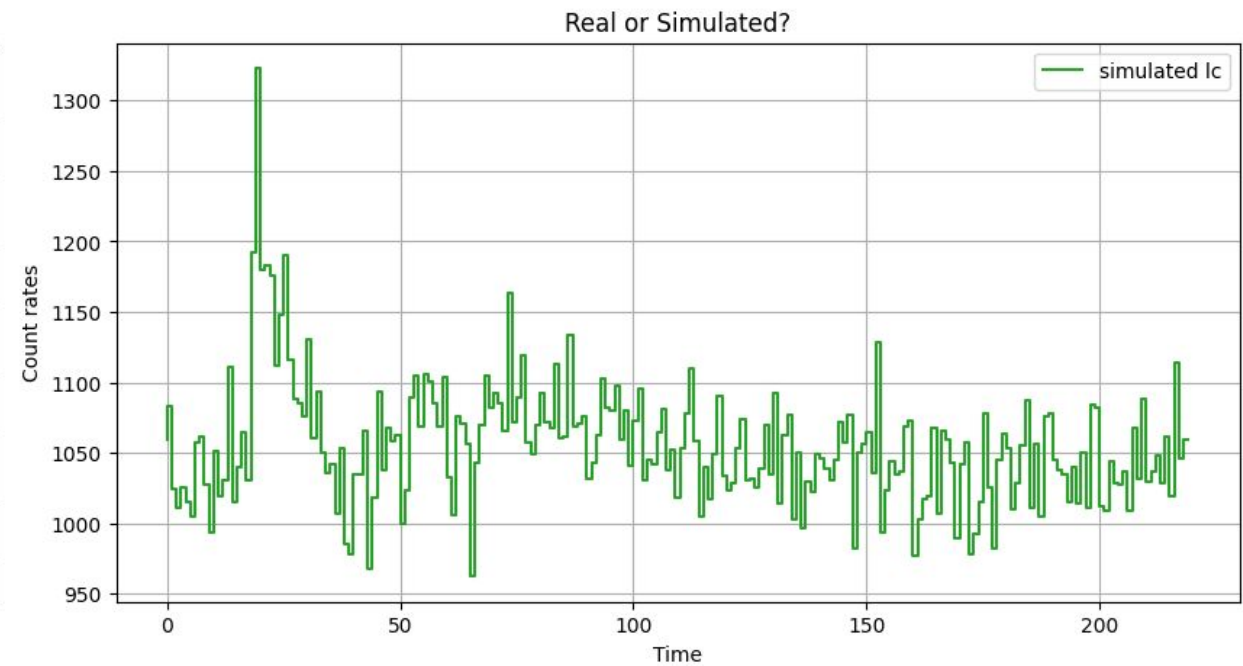


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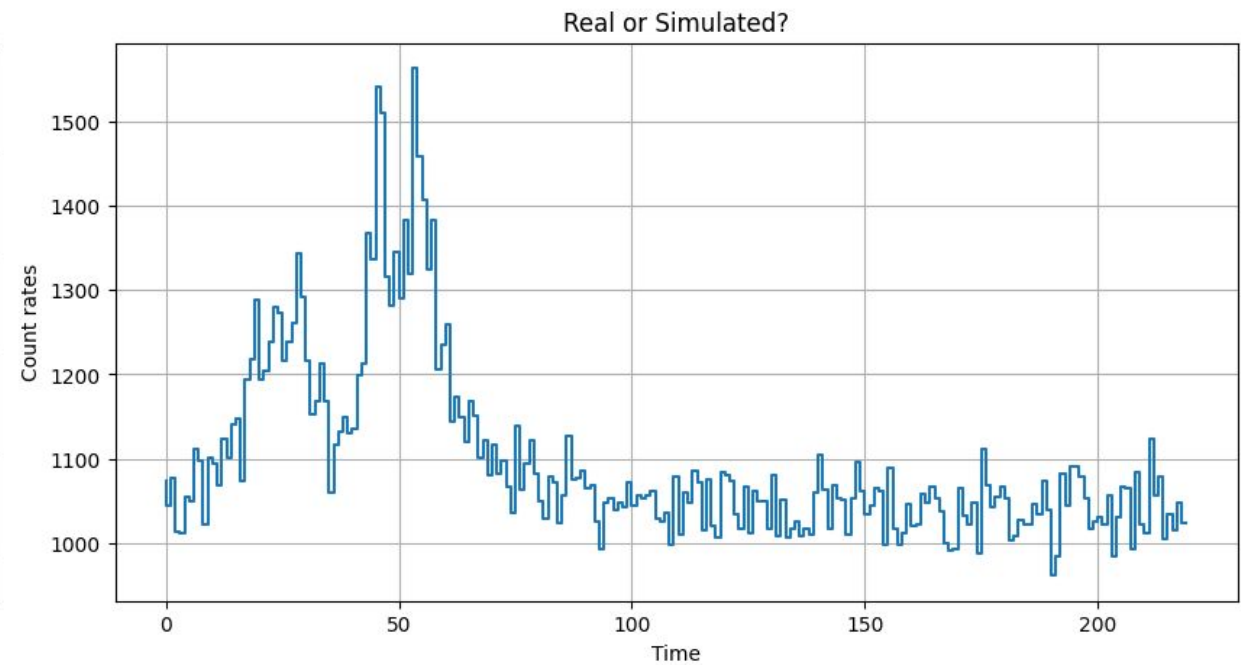
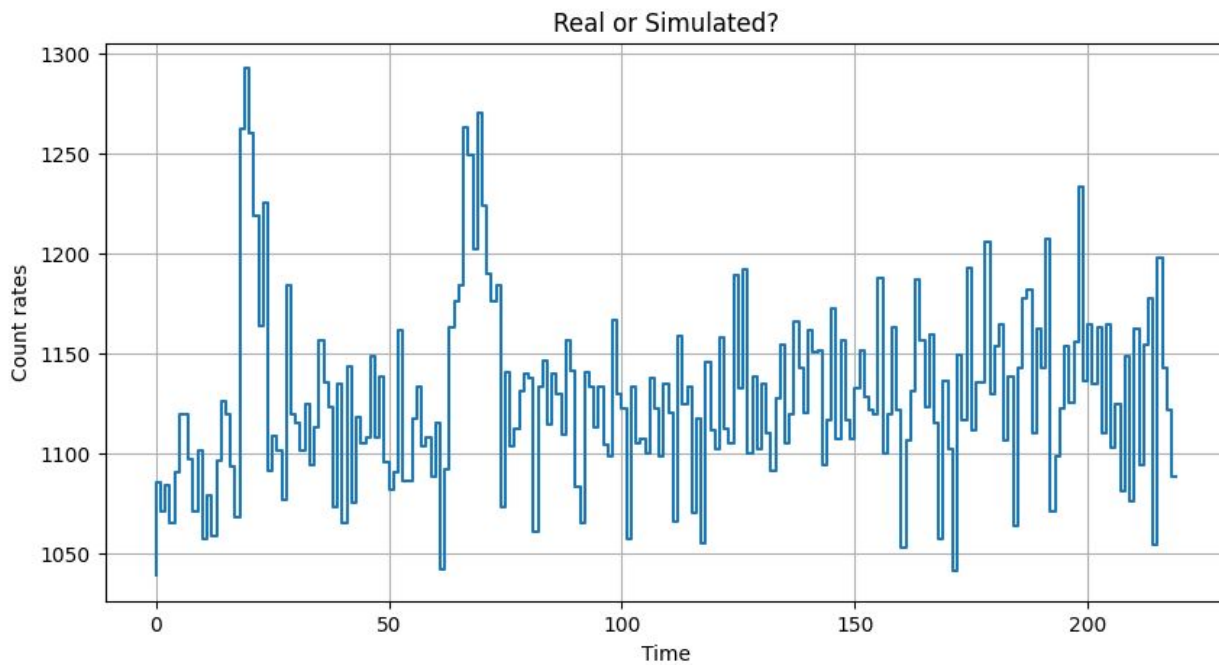
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Simulated LC

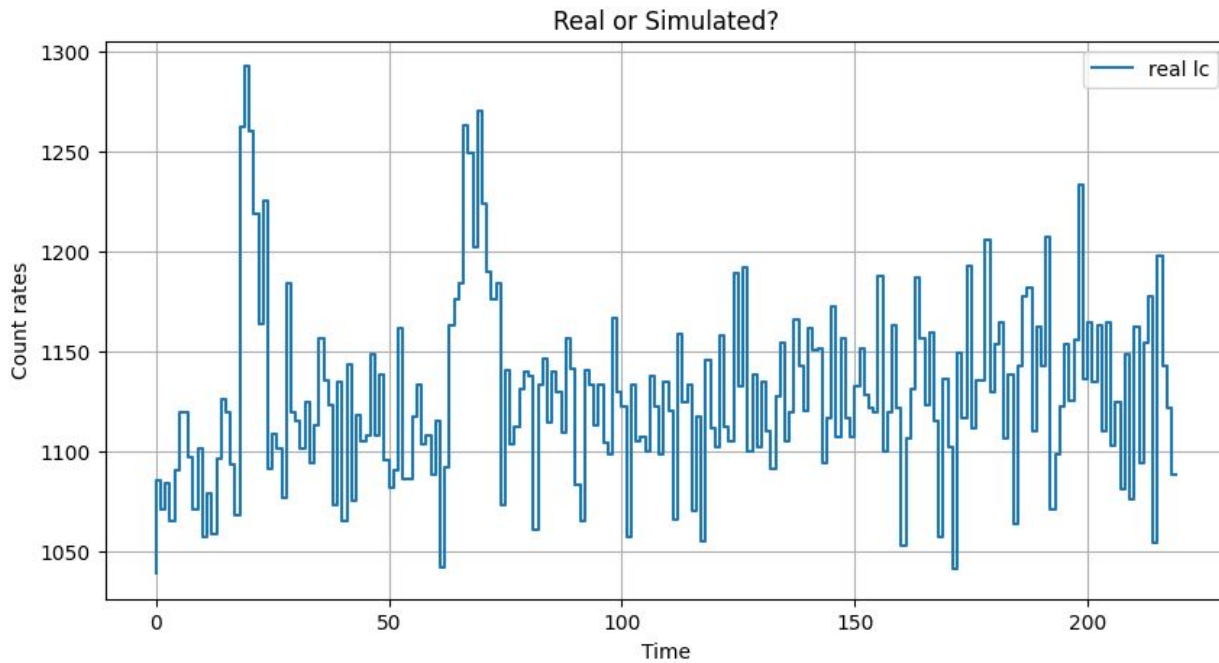


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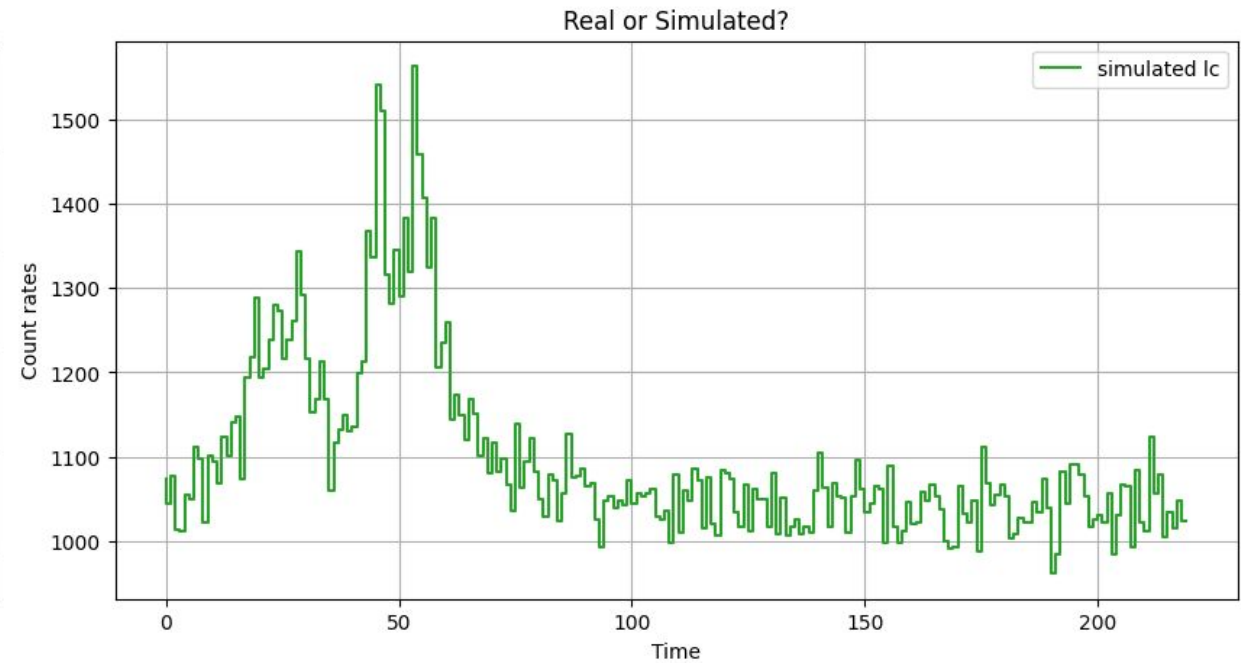


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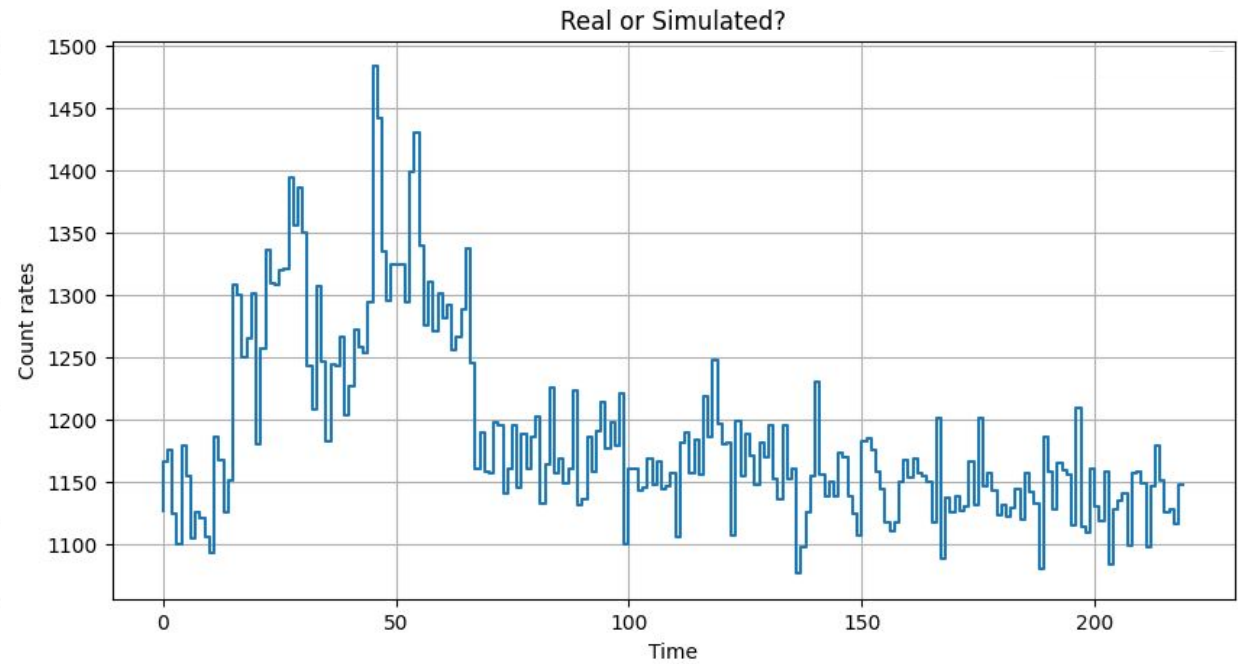
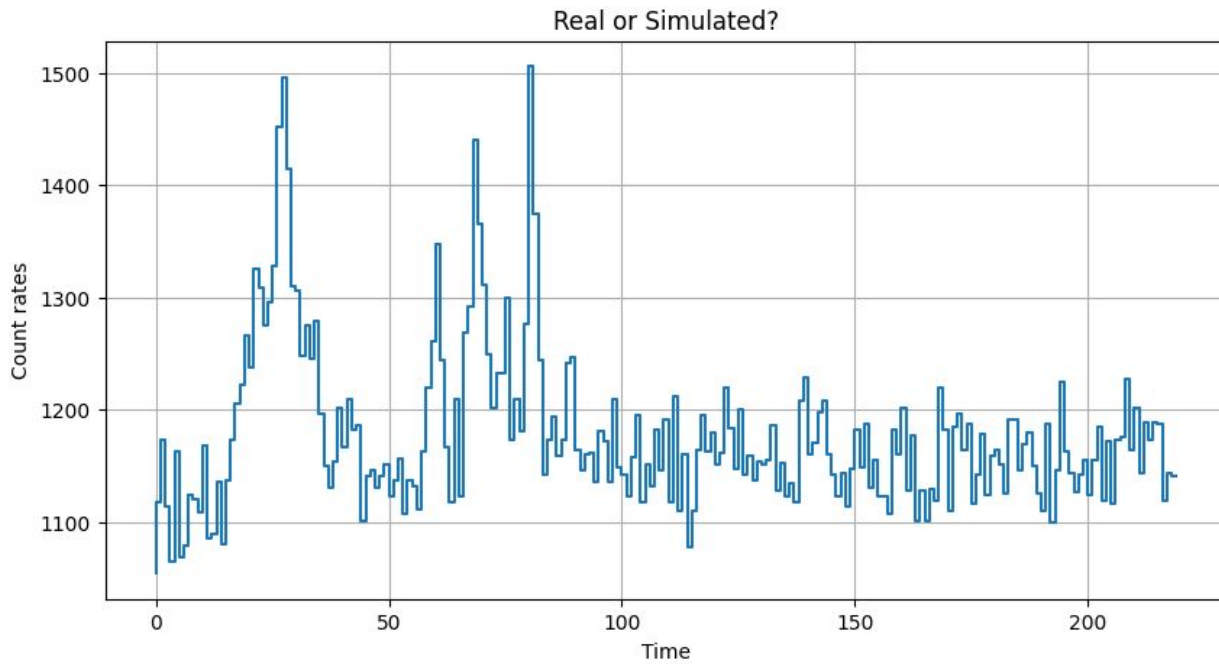
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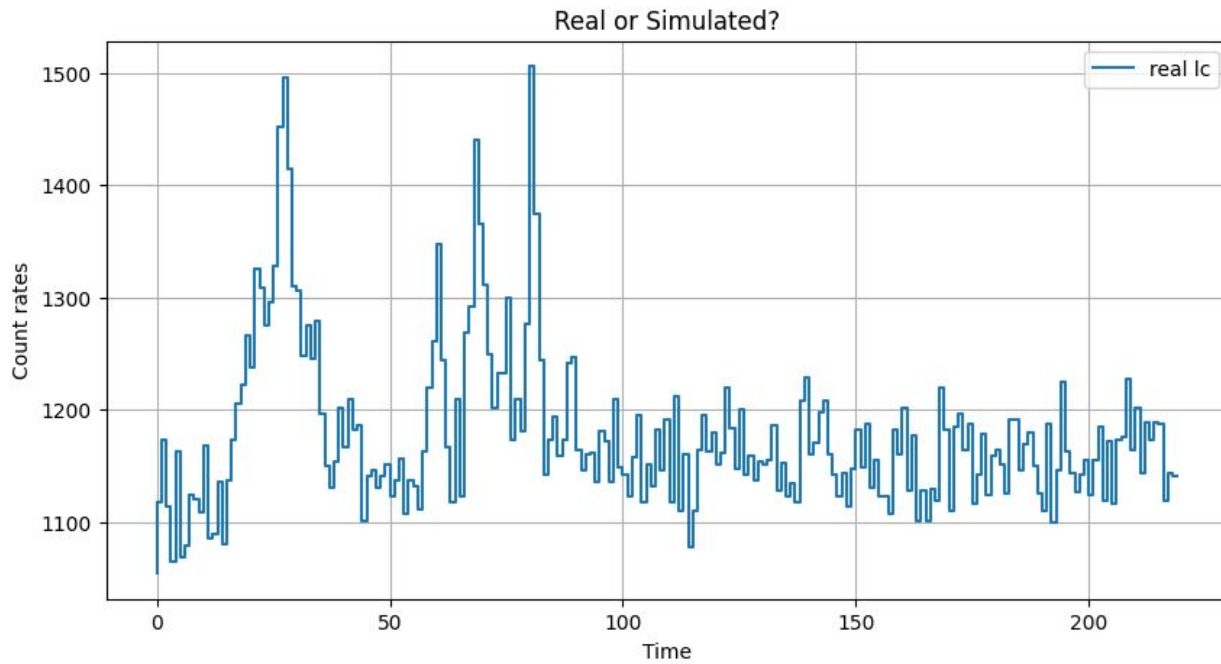


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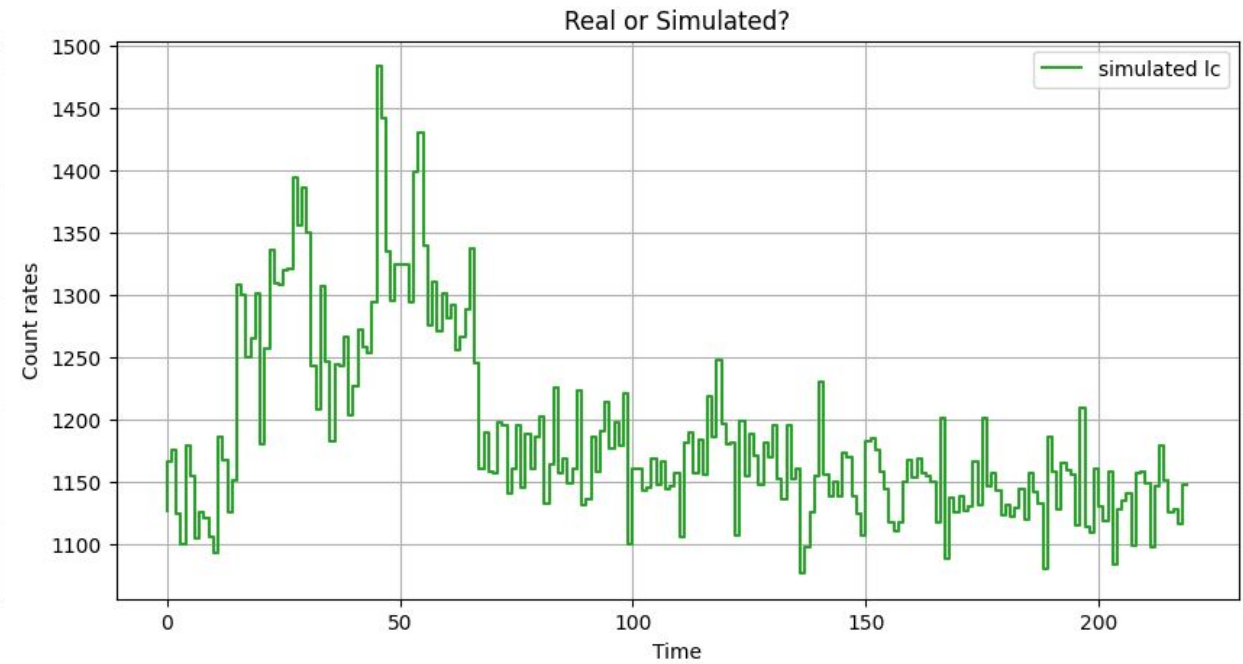


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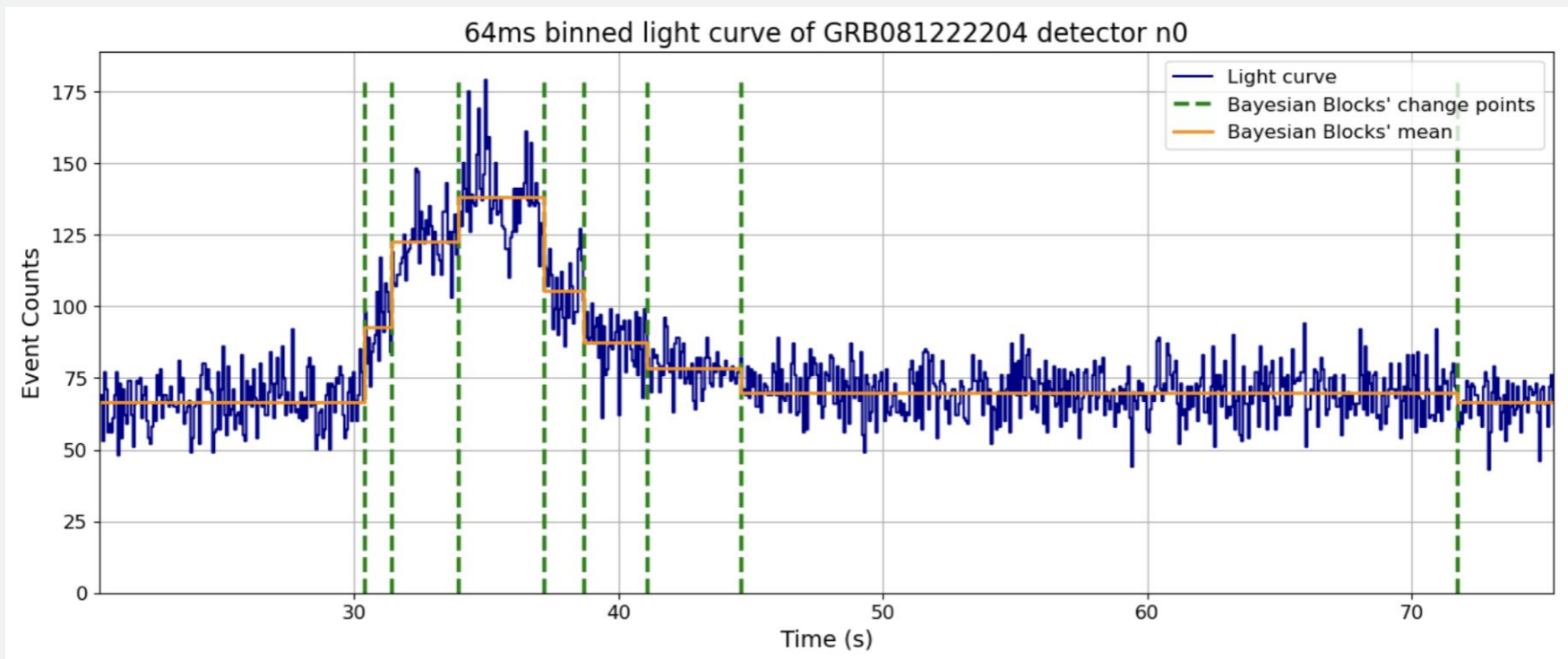


Simulated LC



Future works: Bayesian Blocks

Using **Bayesian Block** and **extracting features** to **characterize simulated data** compared to **real ones**



credits:
Massimiliano Zago

TO SUM UP...

This work presents a **novel DL model to generate synthetic GRBs' LCs**.

This model can be used to generate a **large dataset** to train and evaluate GRB detection methods.

Small modifications to the generative model **VAEGAN** to fit our task.

A huge effort was spent in the **data analysis** and **preprocessing** which allowed an improvement of the training dataset.

FUTURE WORKS

1. An evaluation methods based on **Bayesian blocks**
2. A **conditional version** of this model
3. A **probabilistic generator**, instead of generating mere LCs
4. **Combine this model with PINN** if a partial differential equation of GRB is found

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