

Waveform cross-correlations in seismic applications – possibilities and experiences

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Waveform cross-correlation – what is it?

Signal processing tool

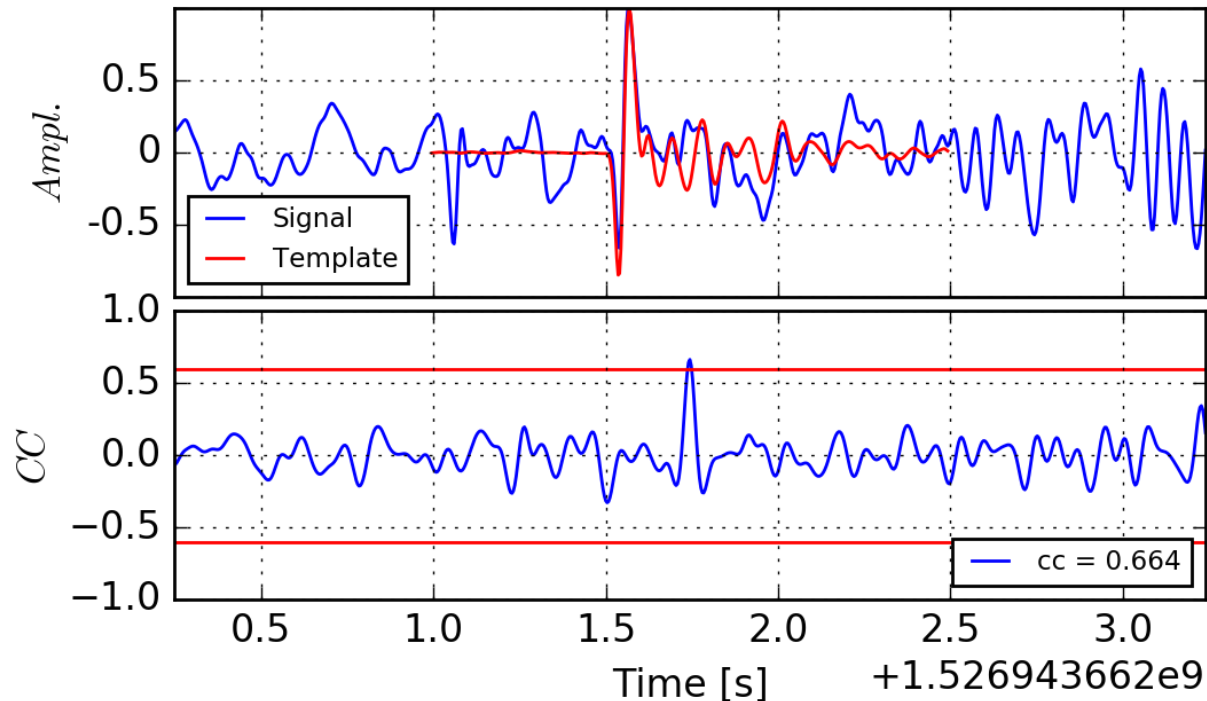
Measure of similarity of two series (y_1 and y_2) as a function of delay τ

$$CC(\tau) = \frac{\sum_t^{t+\tau} y_1(t)y_2(t - \tau)}{\sqrt{\sigma(y_1(t))\sigma(y_2(t))}}$$

Normalized convolution of two signals – cross-correlation coefficient CC



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Two results – $CC(\tau)$ and *delay between two signals*



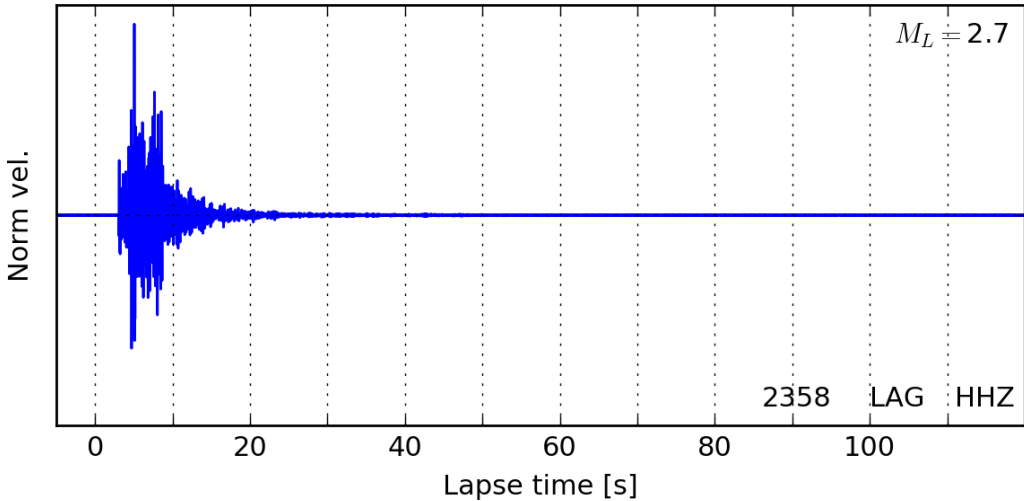
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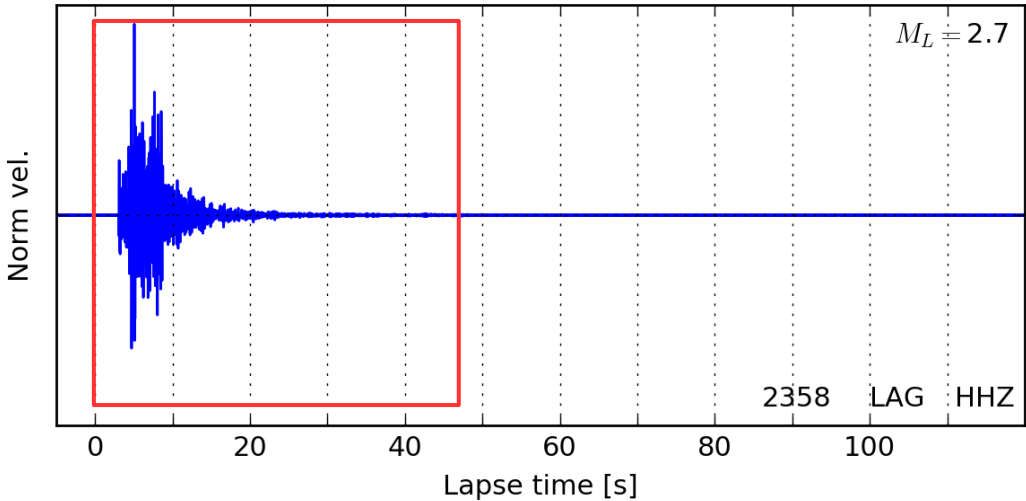
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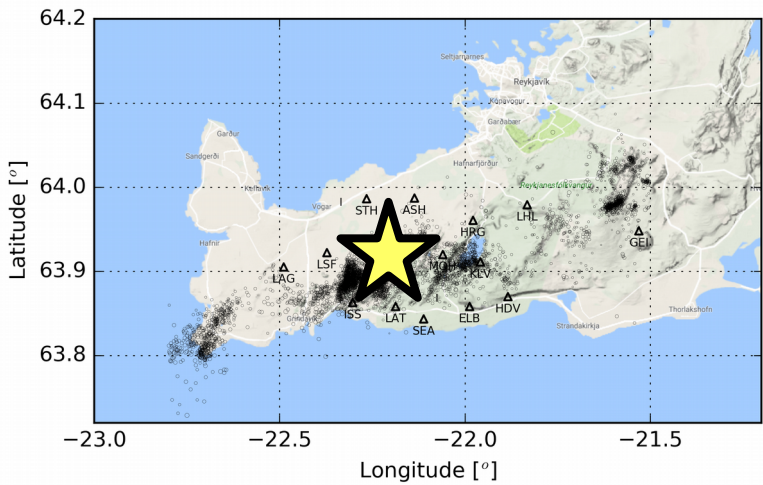
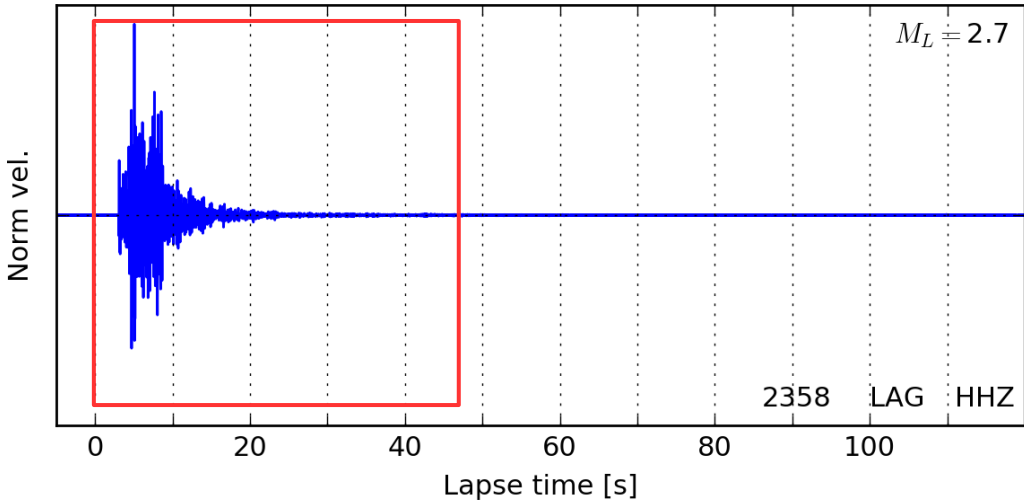
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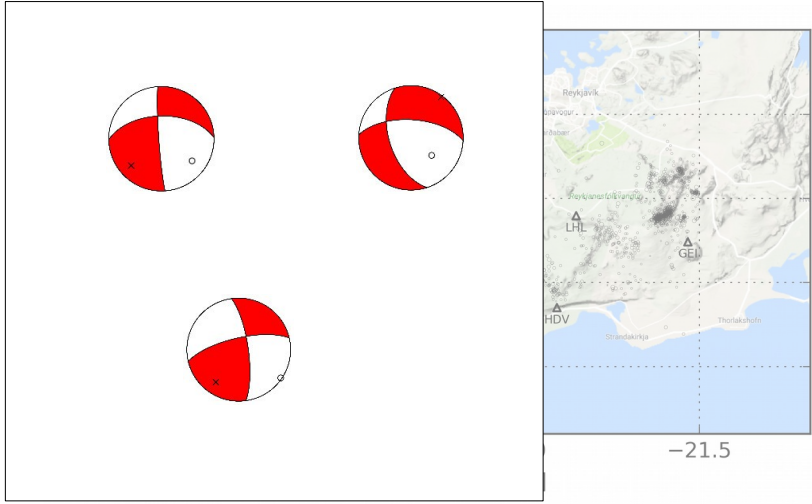
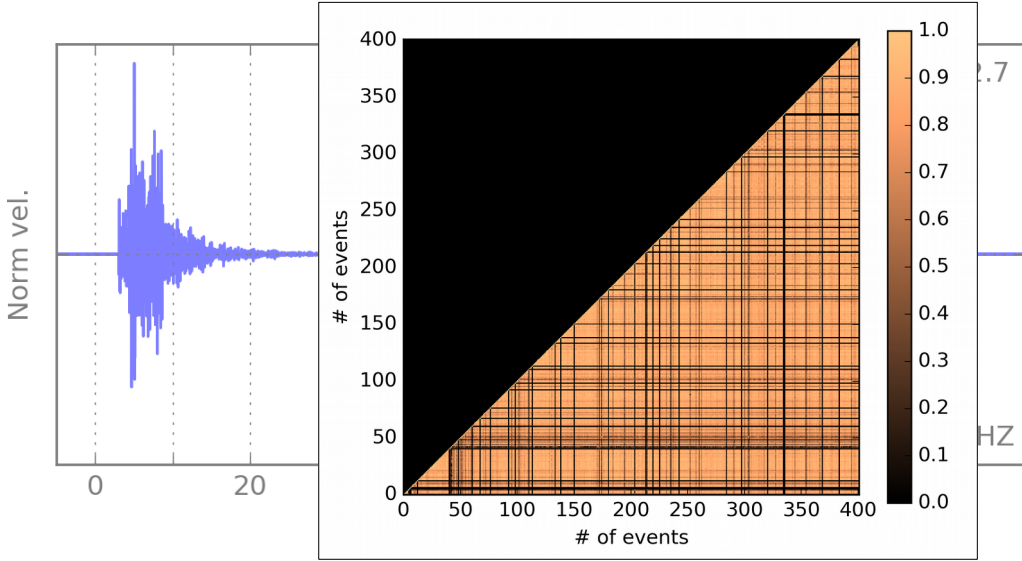
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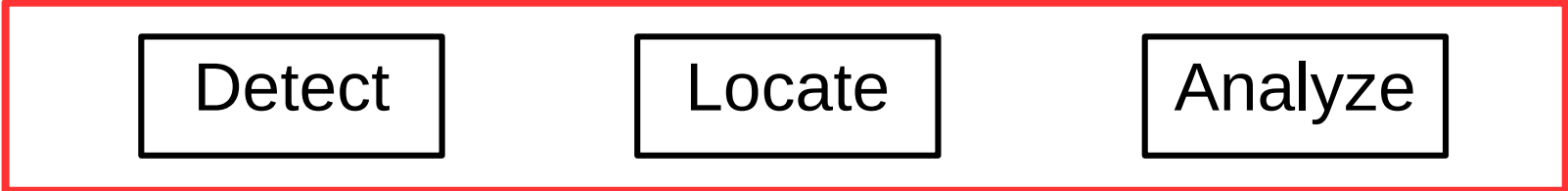
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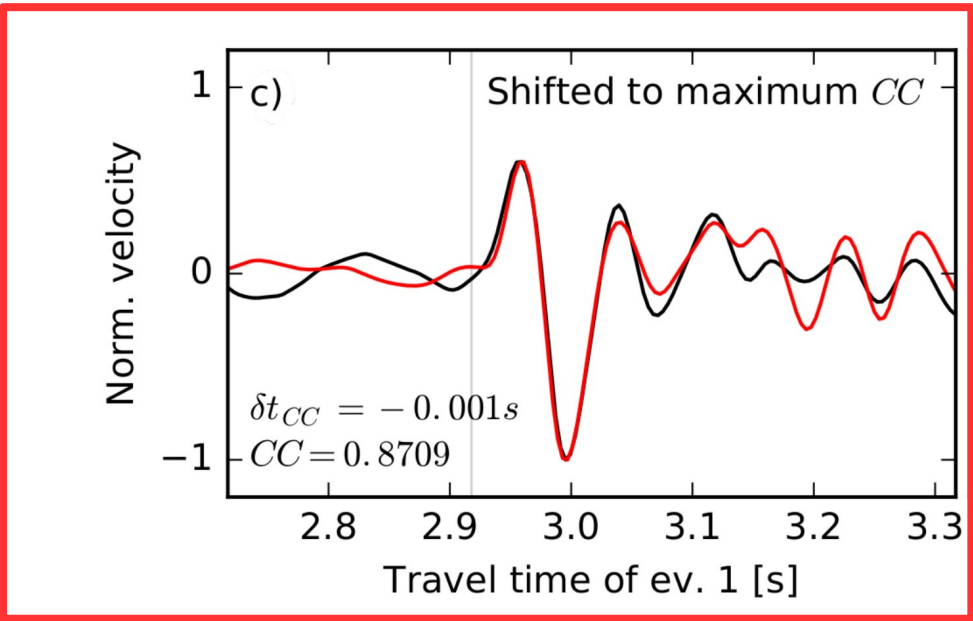
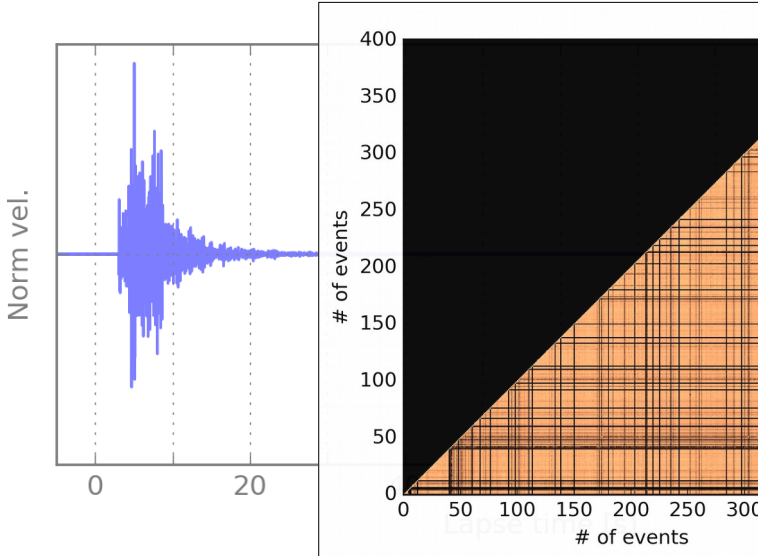
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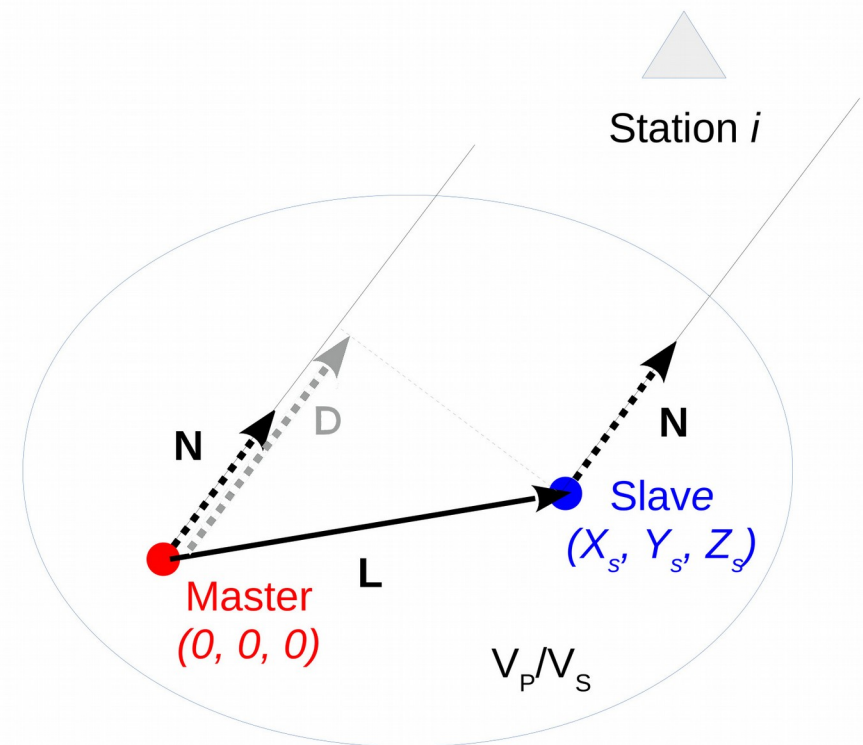
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Waveform cross-correlation in DD locations

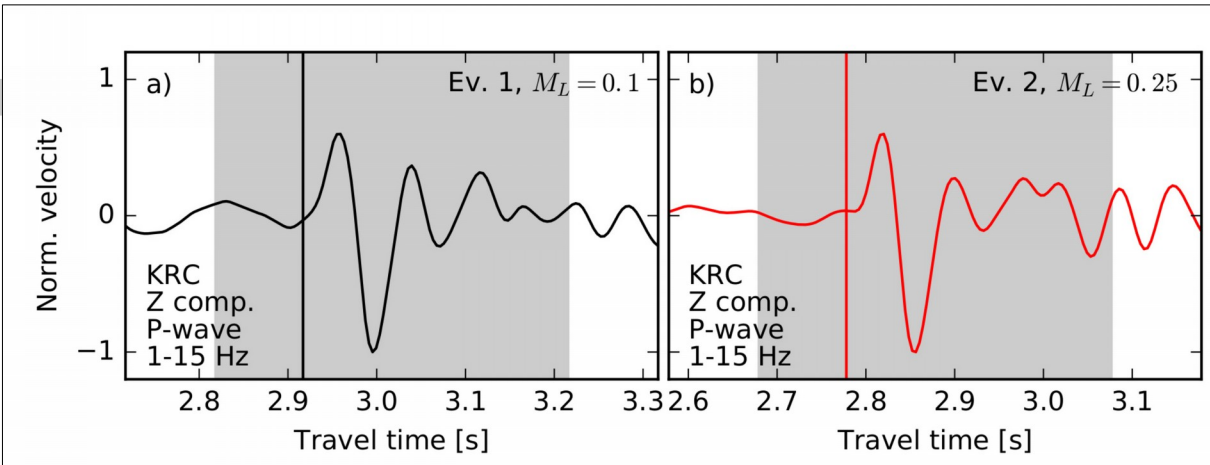
Joint (re)location of a large number of clustered earthquakes
Searching the relative positions of the earthquakes

Use of DIFFERENTIAL TIMES
instead absolute phase
arrival times

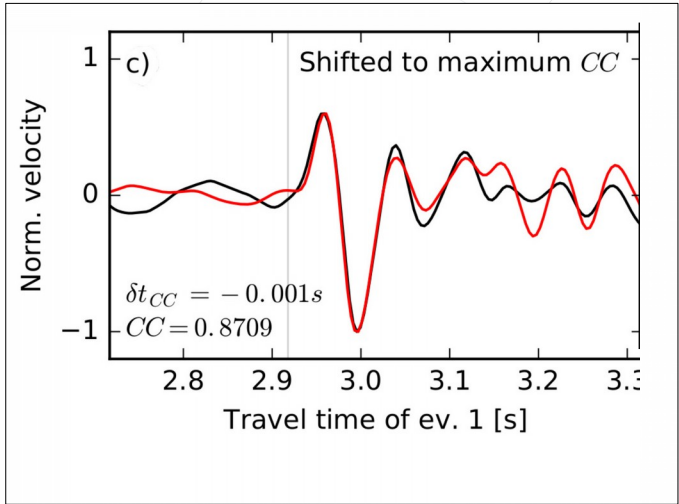


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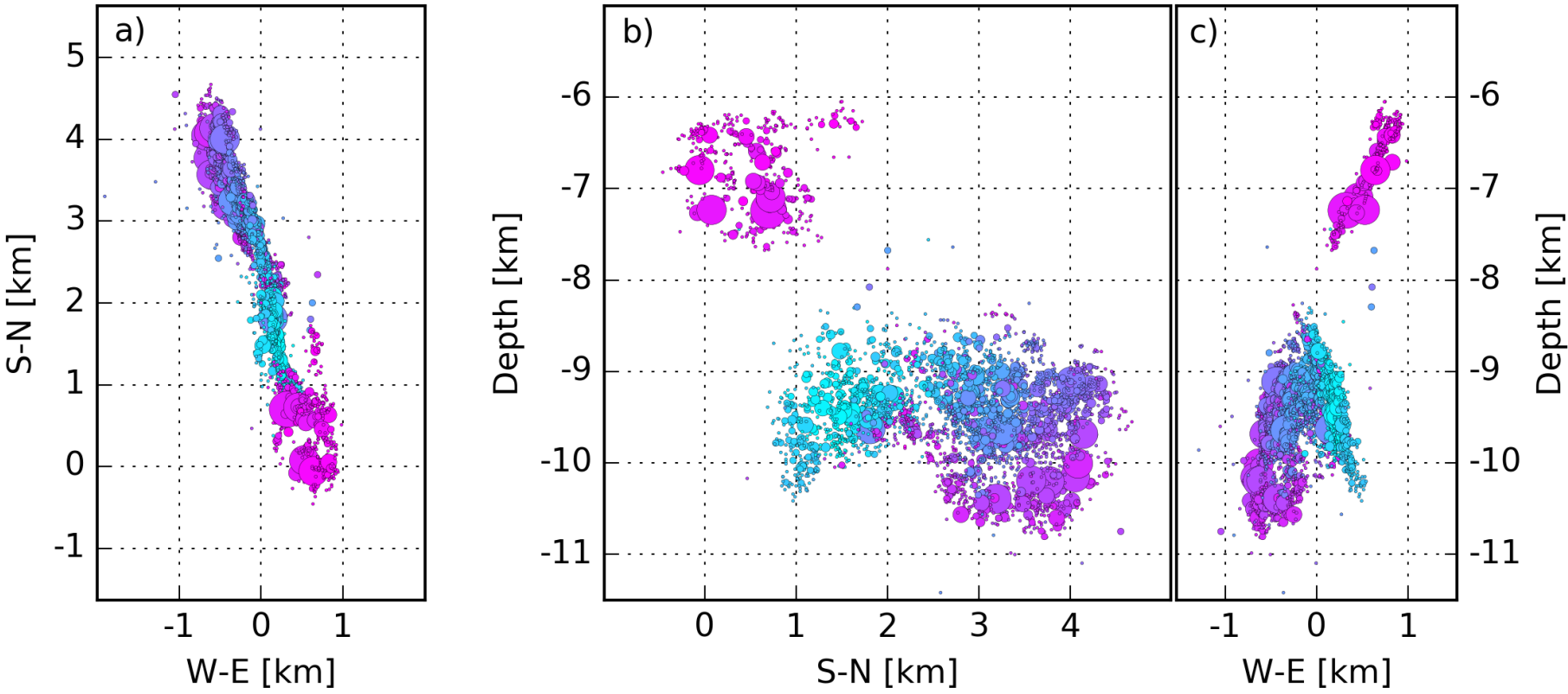
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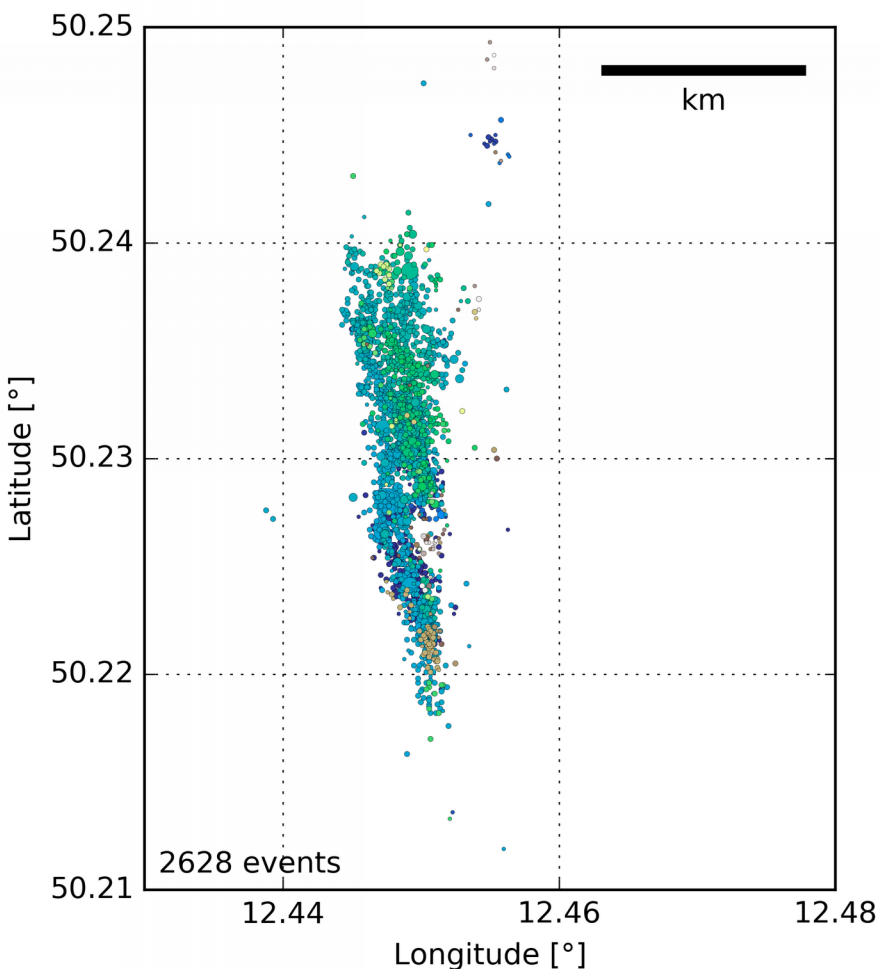
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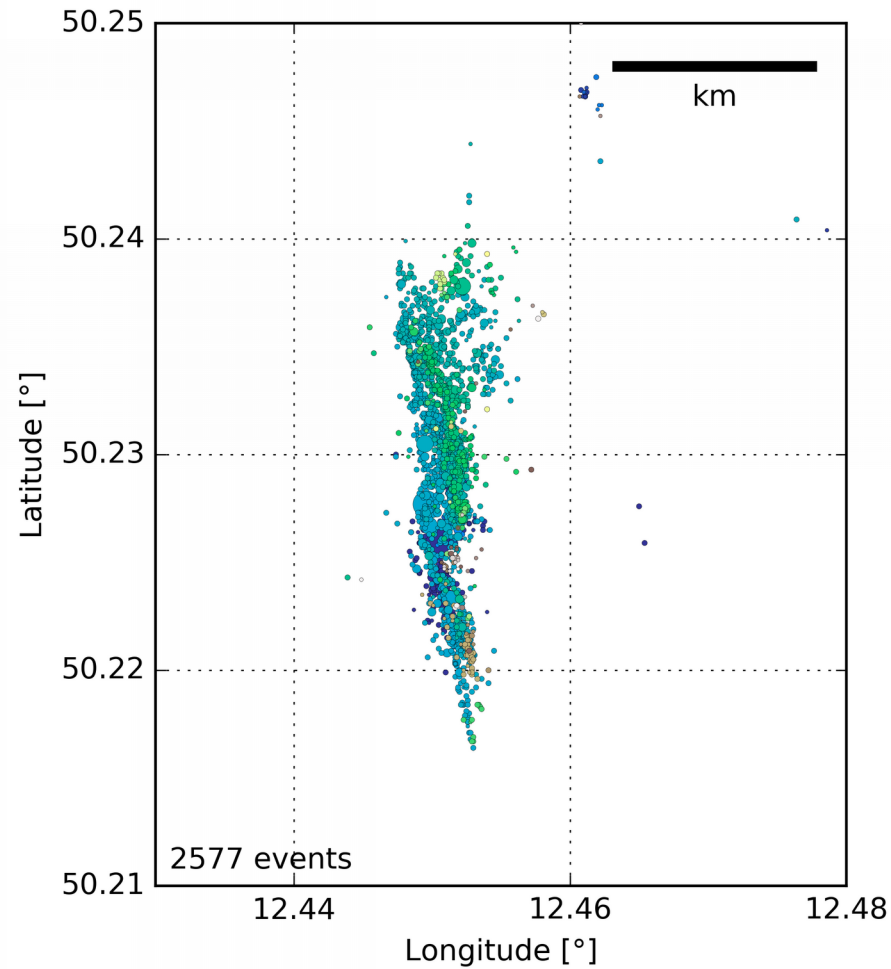
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DD locations: CC vs. manual



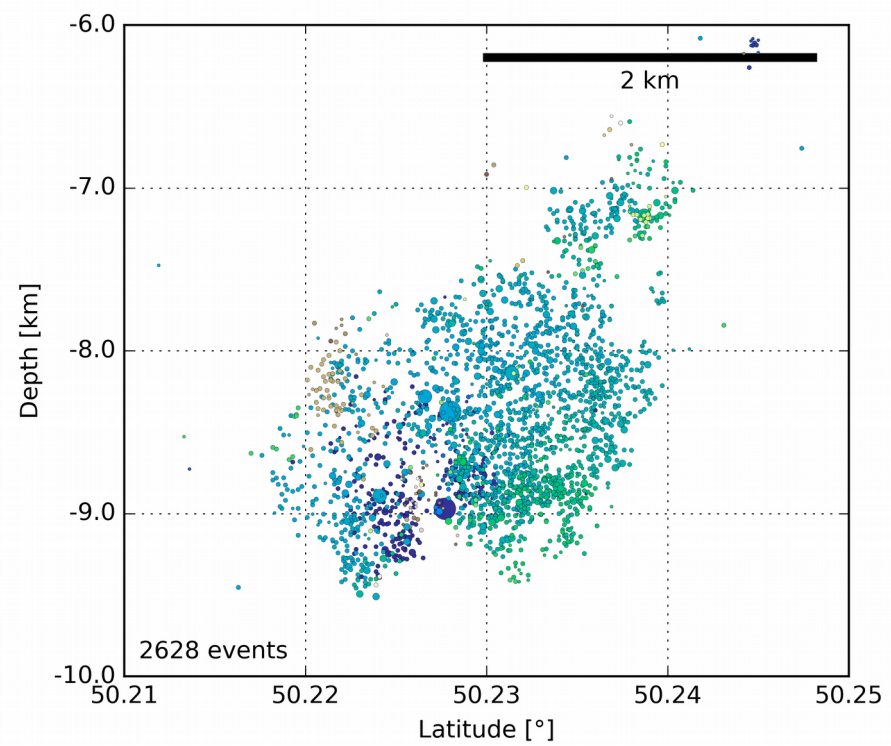
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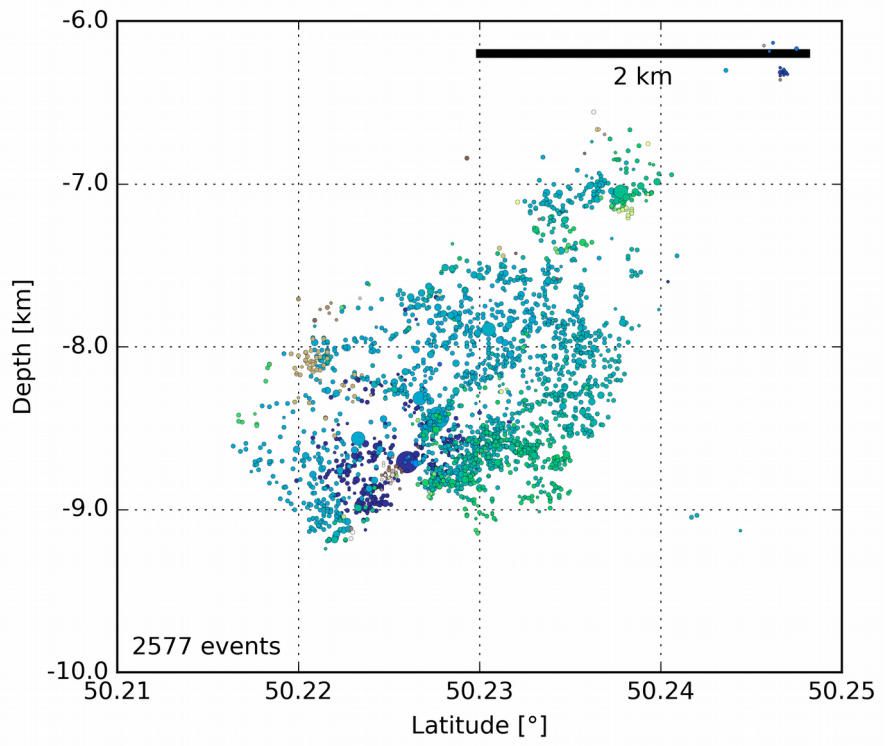
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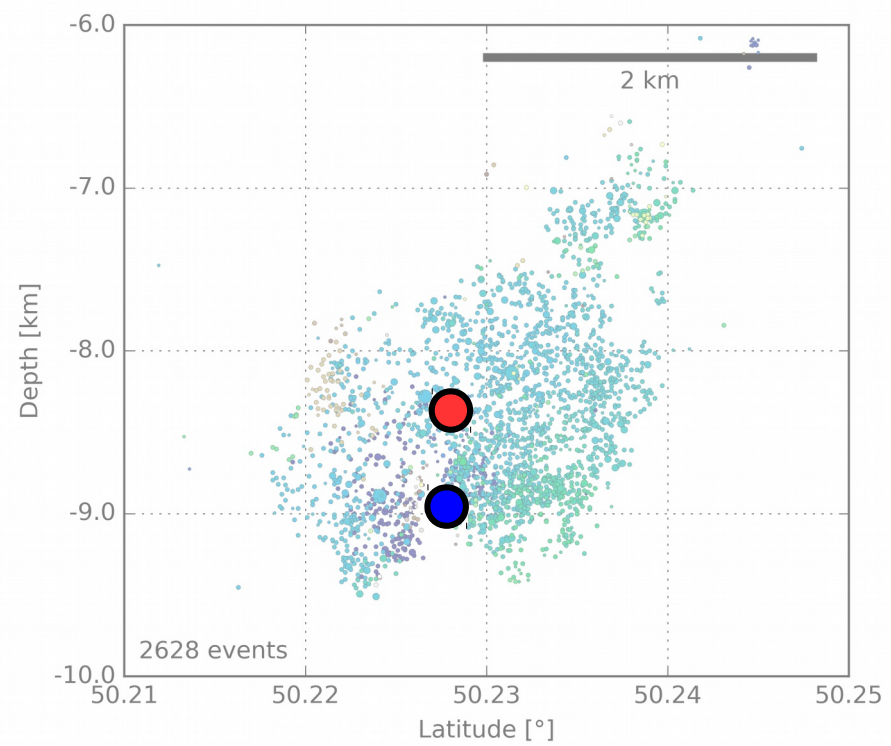


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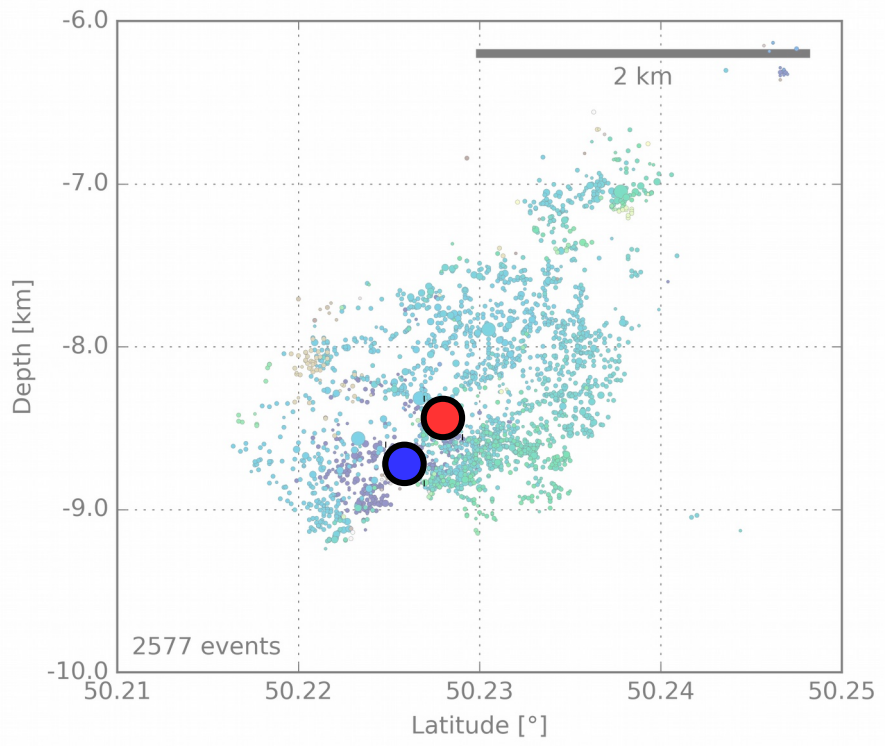


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Bias in stronger events locations ($M_L > 3$)



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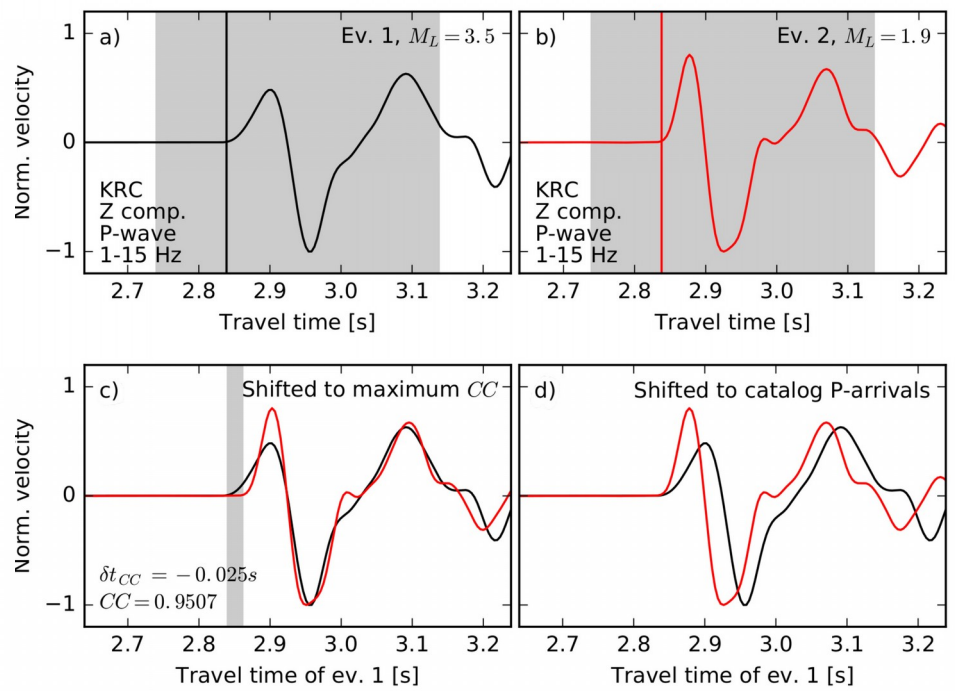
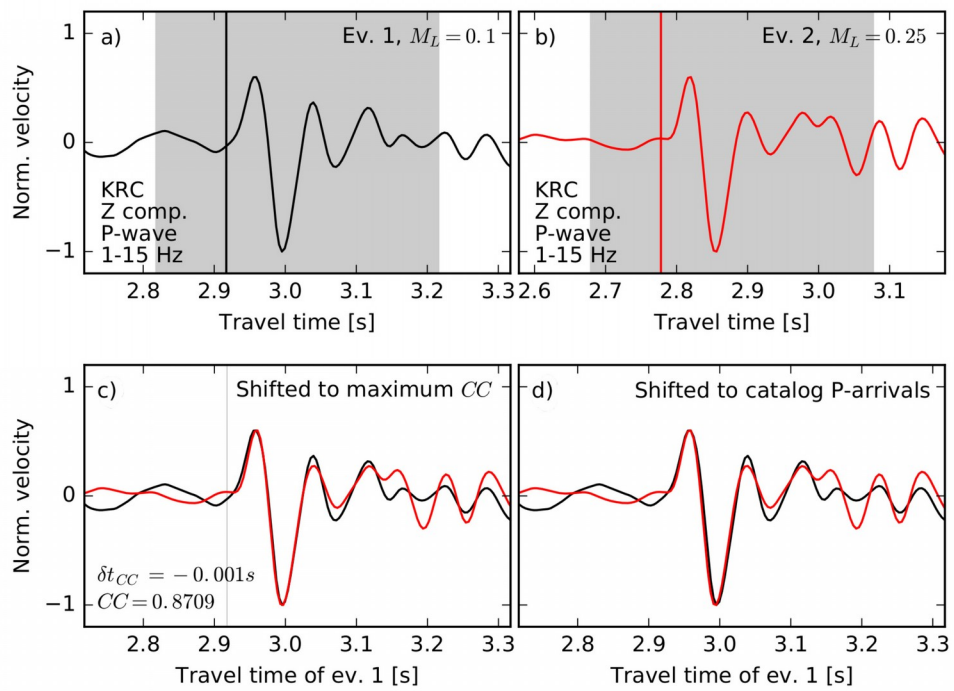


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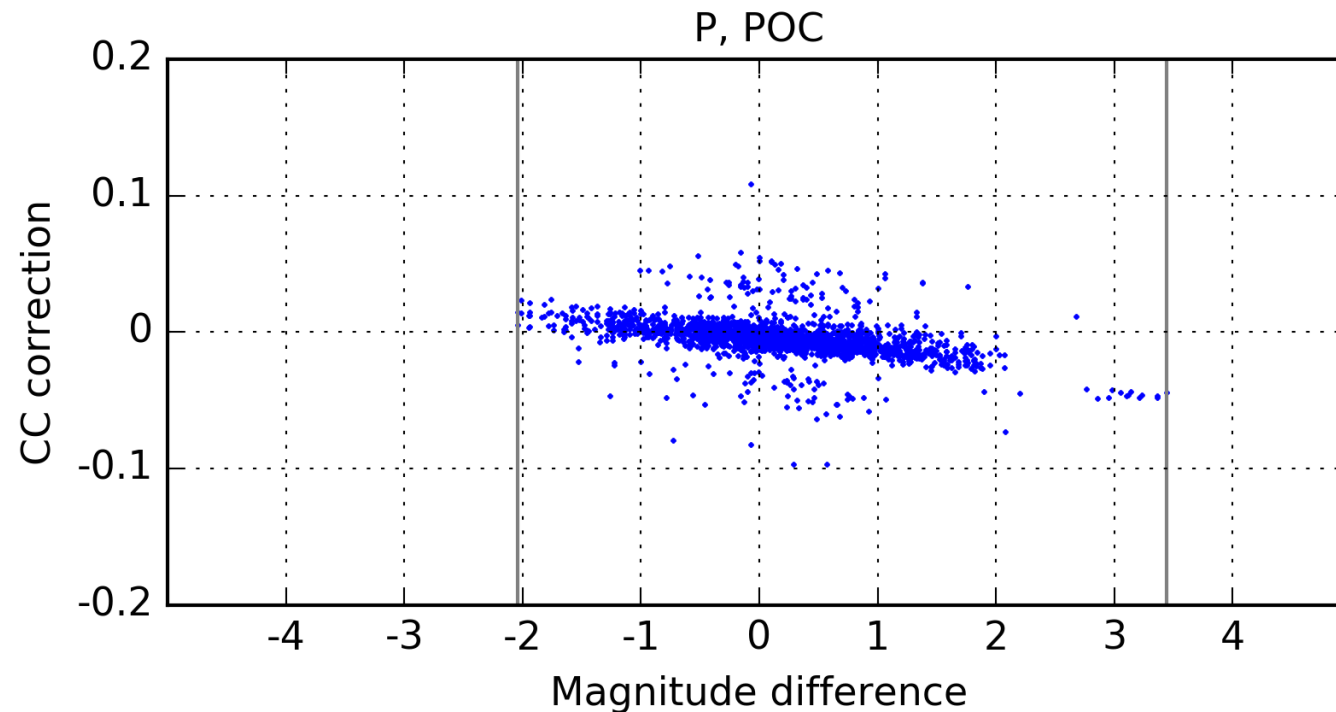


Bias in cross-correlated data

Result of pulse widths differences



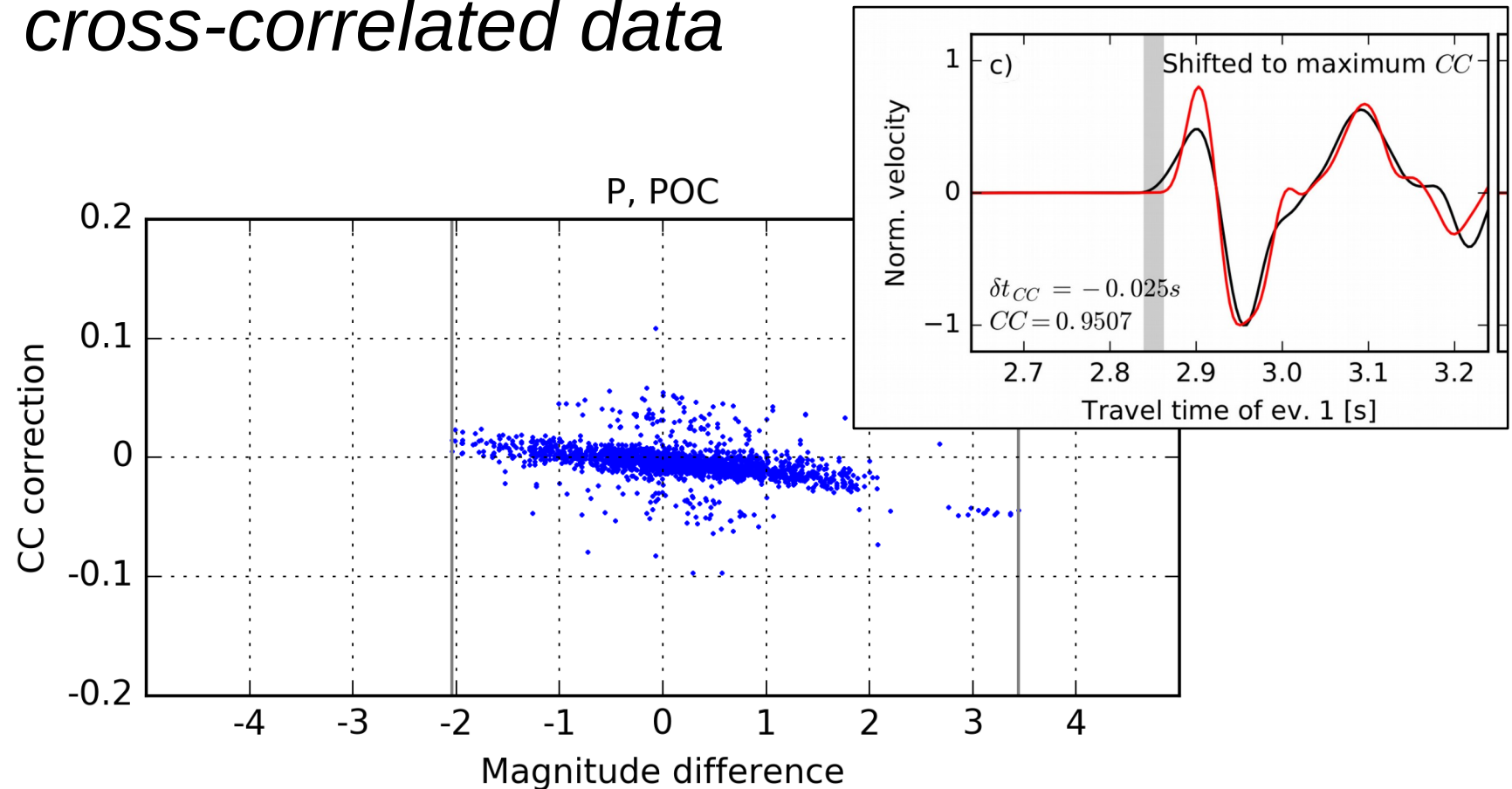
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Difference between CC and manual differential times for M_L between 0 and 3.5 (200 events, all possible event pairs)



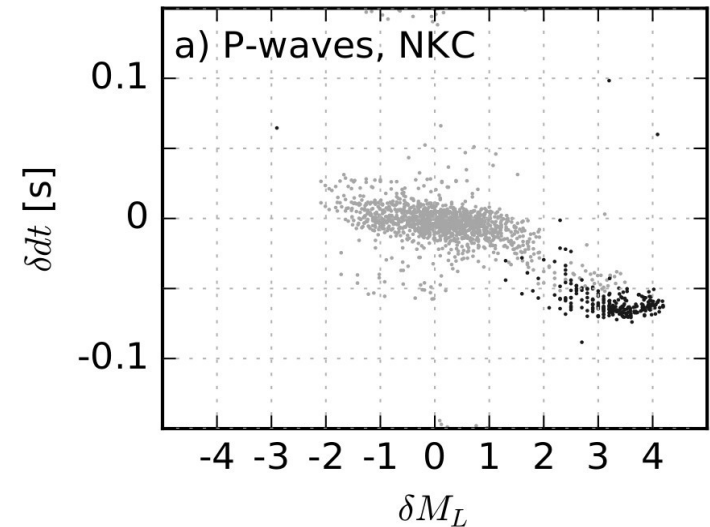
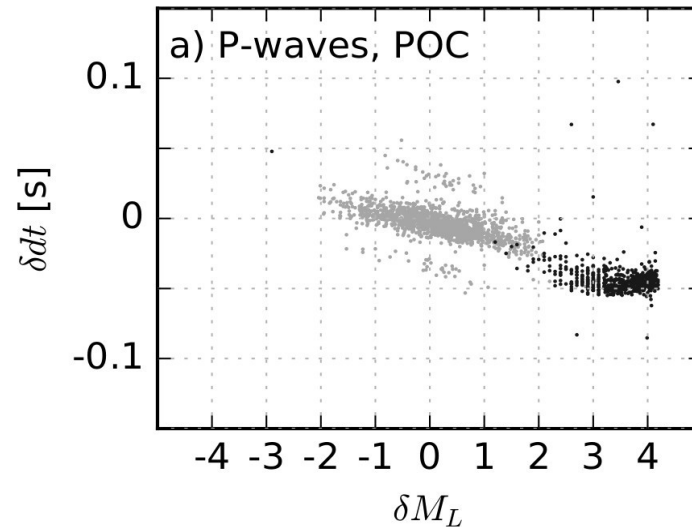
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Pulse width differences introduce systematic error in differential times estimations – result of ***different spectral contents*** of signals – effect of ***magnitude differences***

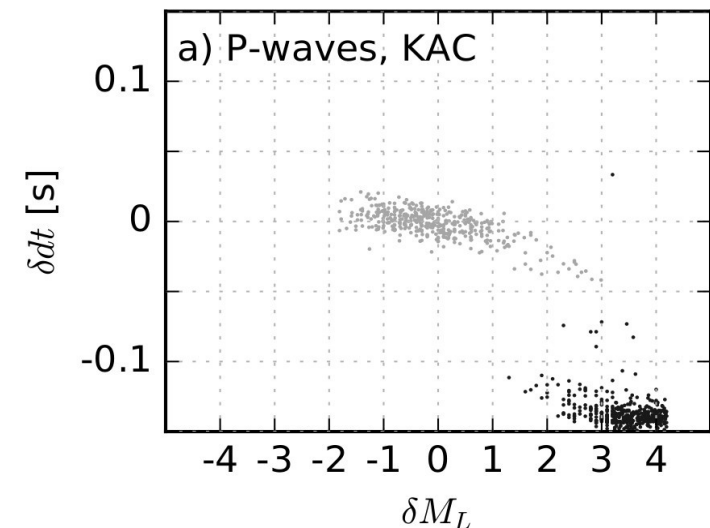


Bias in cross-correlated data – strong events

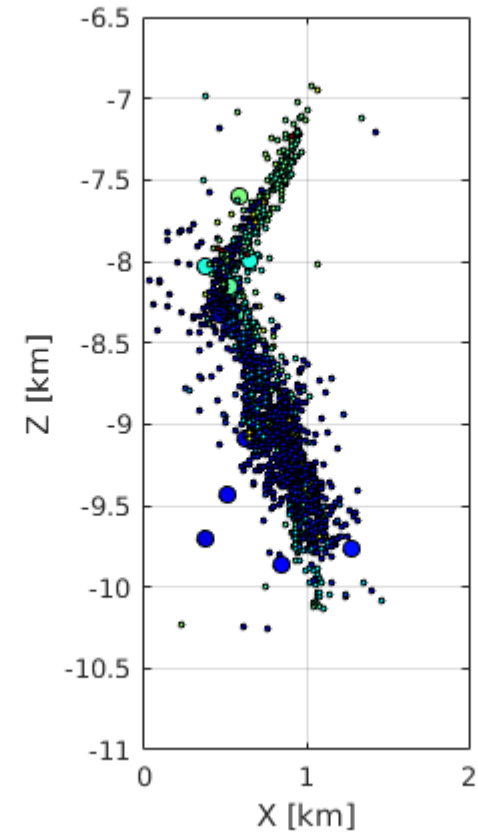
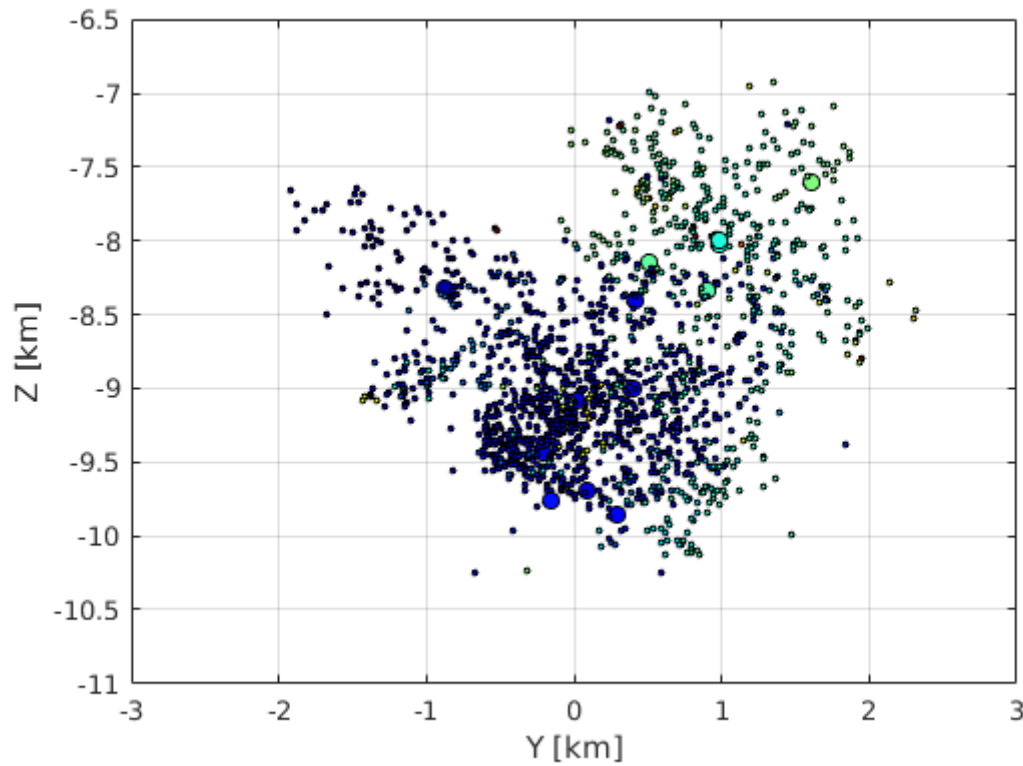


Differential time difference of event pairs with $M_L=4.2$ event and its aftershocks down to $M_L=0$

Effect of **directivity**



Bias in cross-correlated data – examples



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Bias in cross-correlated data – solutions?

Fully cross-correlated datasets – always biased

Combination of manual and cross-correlated dataset –
one possible solution

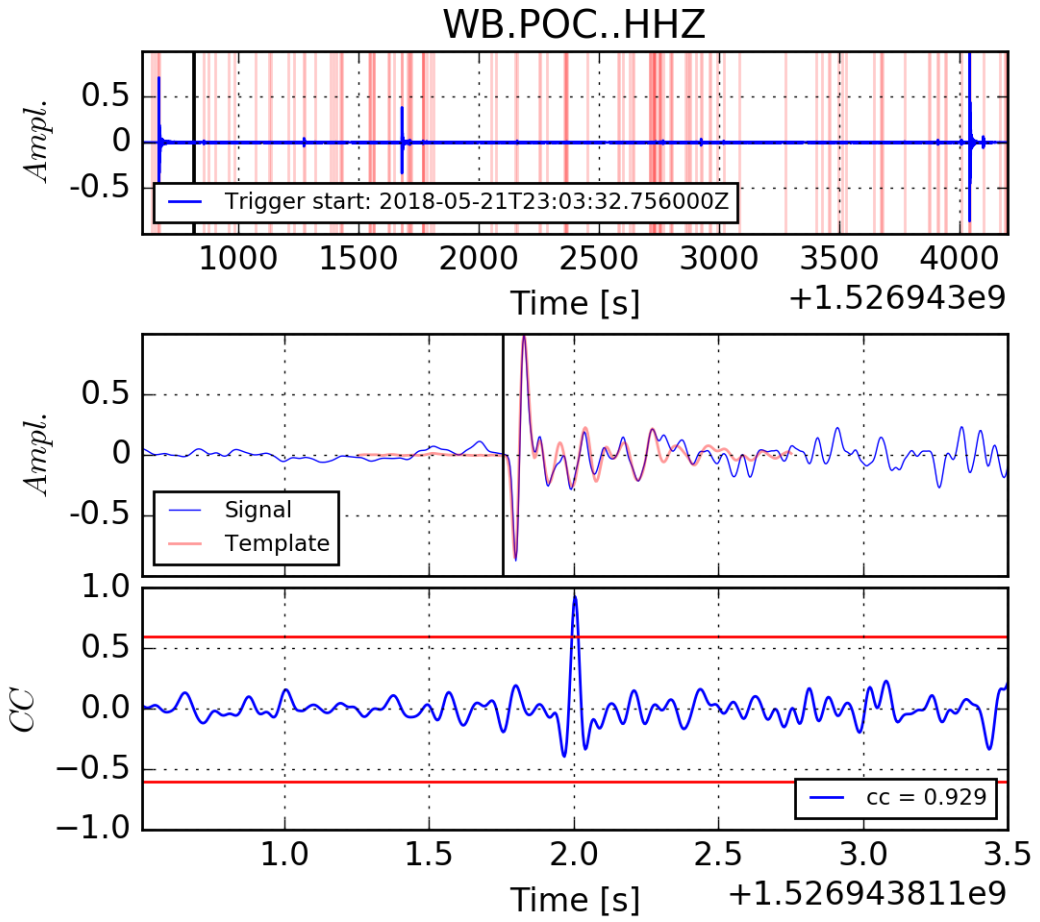
Different filtering and data processing – no desired effect

There is no simple and elegant solution...for now



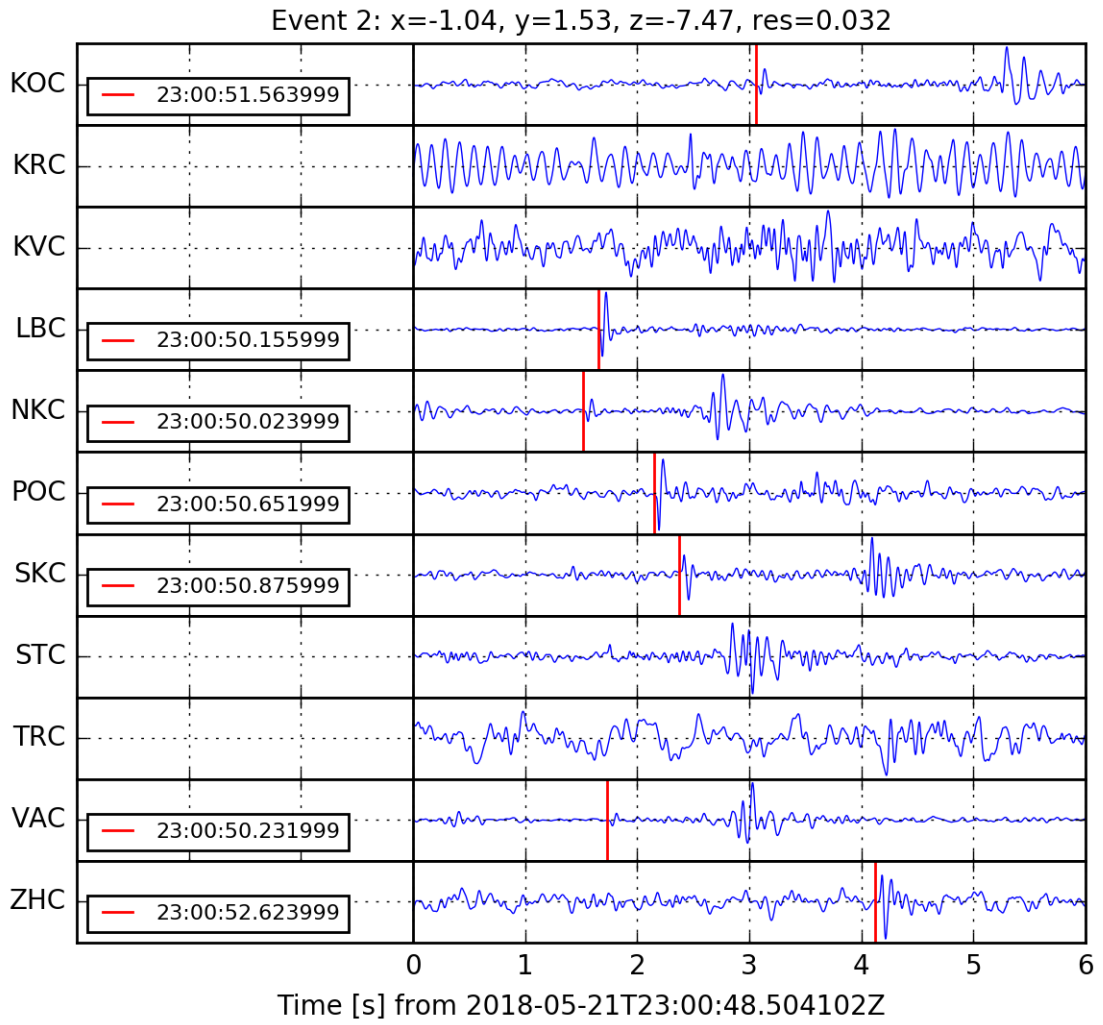
Cross-correlations in other applications

Template matching



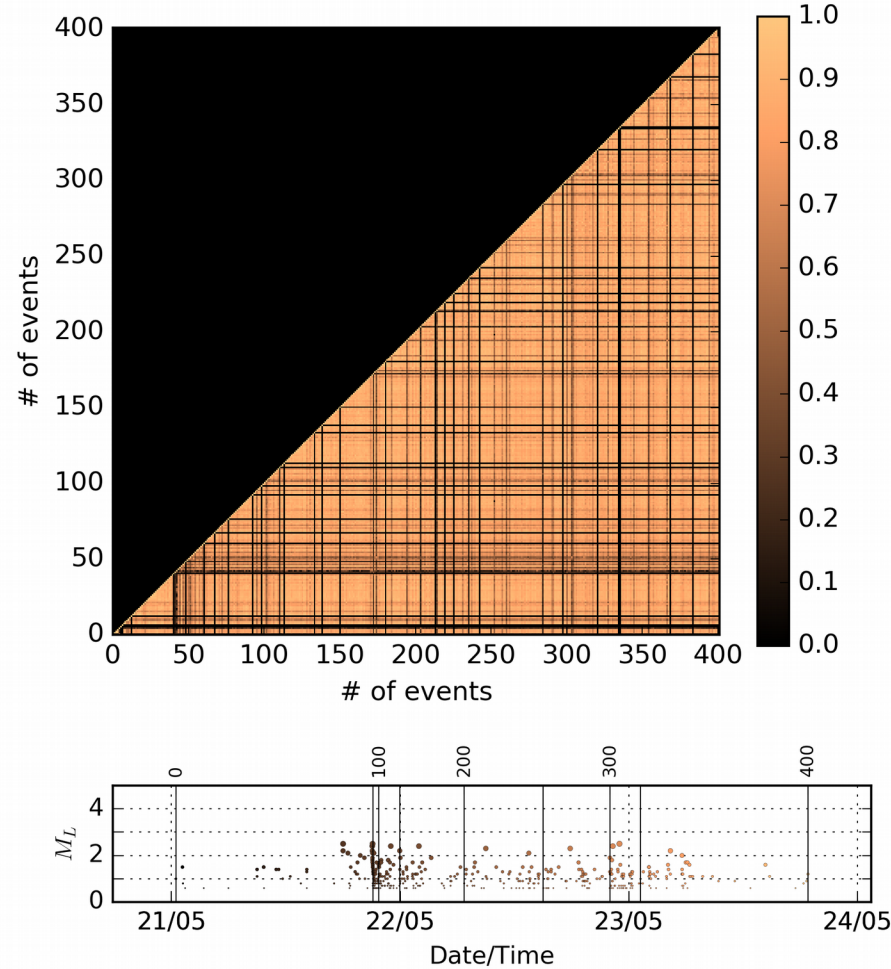
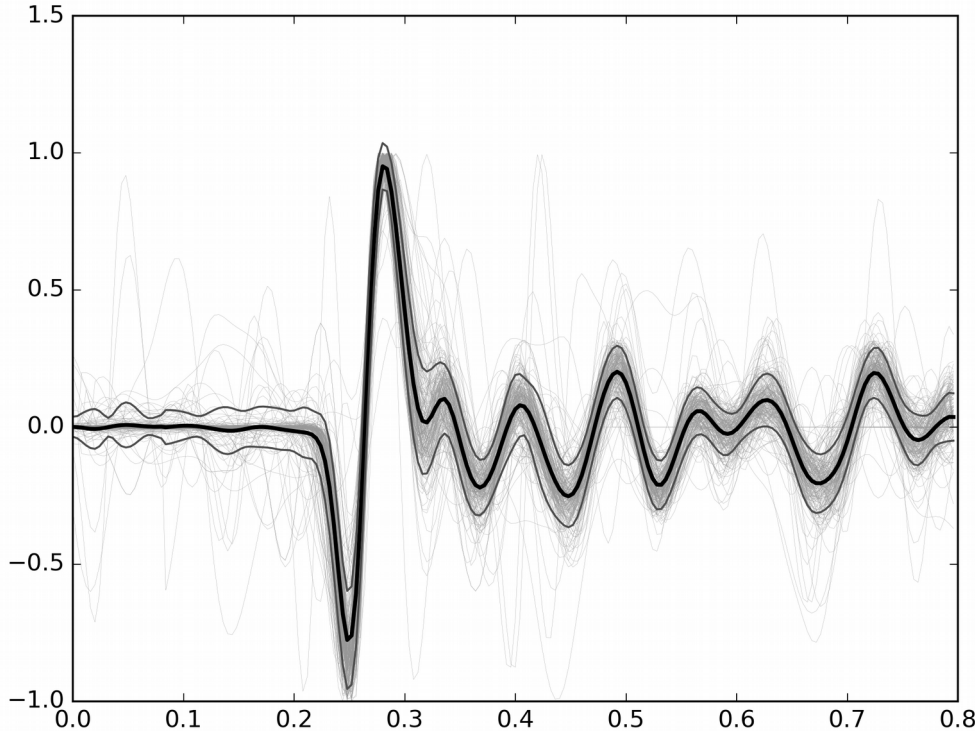
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Similarity analysis



Cross-correlations - summary

Fast and easy method suitable for automatic data processing as well as for advanced analyses

Has its shortcomings – related to the stronger events

Valuable in fast relocations, picking (template matching), all kinds of waveform similarity analyses.



Thank you for your attention

