





#### Trigger proposal

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# Previous presentation

#### What was done

- ▷ Two algorithms were proposed:
  - **Filtering** based trigger.
  - **CNN** based trigger.
- ▷ A comparison analysis was done using them:
  - The proposed algorithms may **detect ~80%** of the **0.25 keV NR** and **ER simulated events** with a **small false alarm** ratio.
    - Gaussian filter with 10% false alarm (20 out of 200 pedestal images misclassified).
    - CNN with 0.5% false alarm (1 out of 200 pedestal images misclassified).
  - The proposed algorithms may **detect ~100%** of the events **above 0.5 keV**.
  - The processing time using GPU is 0.02 and 0.2 seconds per image for the Gaussian filter and CNN respectively.

#### Discussion

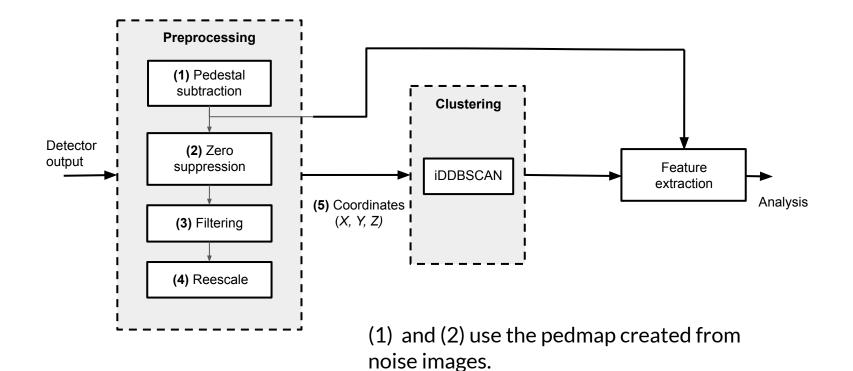
Why not employ a simpler method, such as the zero suppression used in the reconstruction, for the trigger?<sup>1</sup>

- A complex method such as CNN or matched filter (based on signal) will give biased results?<sup>2</sup>
  - Anomaly detection algorithms should be used?



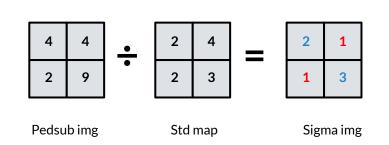
# Zero suppression

#### Reconstruction

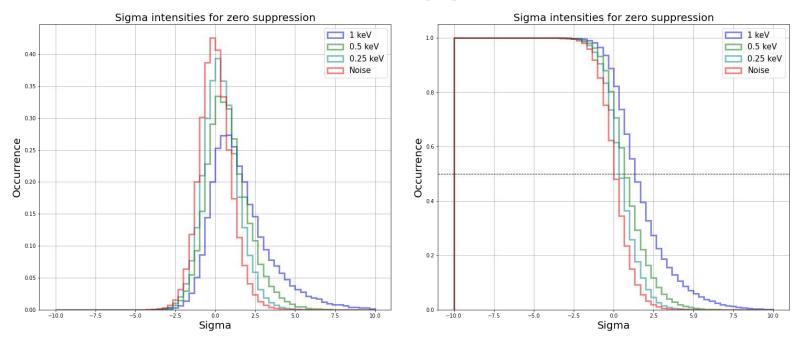


## Zero suppression for trigger

- The algorithm consists of applying pedestal subtraction and zero suppression (sigma based) on the images containing signal and only noise.
  - The training dataset of the previous methods was used.
  - Applying **pedsub** and **dividing** the **image** by the **std map** gives an output where **intensities** are equal to the **sigma** on each pixel (a **sigma threshold** equal to **2** would **maintain** the **indexes** of the **blue elements** in the **pedsub img**).
- Two approaches were considered:
  - A pixel level trigger.
  - An image level trigger.



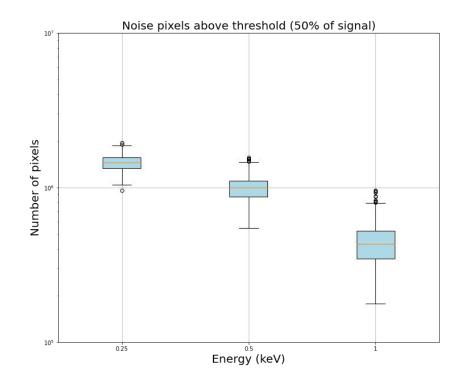
#### Zero suppression trigger



- Average histogram for signal and noise pixels on 600 images.
- Lower energy events have pixel intensities inside the noise fluctuation.
- ▷ 1 keV events show a long tail (the highest intensity pixel is generally way above the noise).

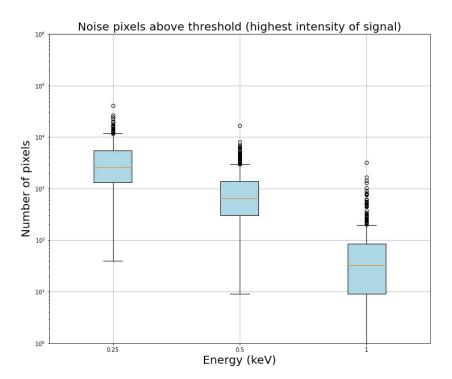
# Zero suppression trigger (pixel level)

- A threshold capable of detecting half of the signal pixels was used to evaluate this method as a pixel level trigger.
- In average, the following number of noise pixels are above these thresholds for each energy:
  - 0.25 keV: 1452031 (reject ~73%)
  - 0.5 keV: 994217 (reject ~81%)
  - 1 keV: 449873 (reject ~91%)
- A high rejection in terms of percentage, but low in total number (and would lose half of signal pixels).

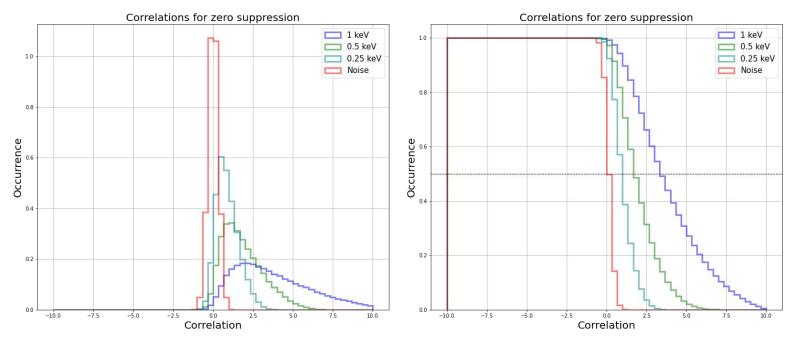


# Zero suppression trigger (image level)

- A threshold capable of detecting the highest intensity pixel from a signal is enough for an image level trigger.
- In average, the following number of noise pixels are above this threshold for each energy:
  - 0.25 keV: 4017
  - 0.5 keV: 1083
  - 1 keV: 92
- Every noise image would be triggered.



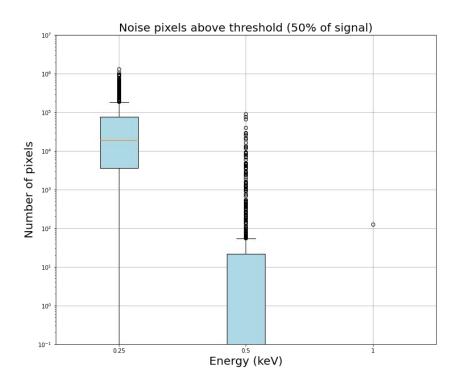
#### Zero suppression filter



- Applying the Gaussian filter pushes the histograms away.
- > The highest intensity pixel of the signals is generally above the noise.

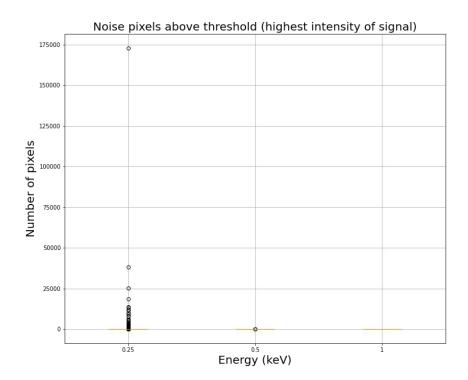
# Zero suppression filter (pixel level)

- A threshold capable of detecting half of the signal pixels was used to test this method as a pixel level trigger.
- In average, the following number of noise pixels are above these thresholds for each energy:
  - 0.25 keV: 86412 (reject ~98%)
  - 0.5 keV: 1051 (reject ~99.9%)
  - 1 keV: 0 (reject ~100%)
- A better rejection compared to the previous method, but not enough.



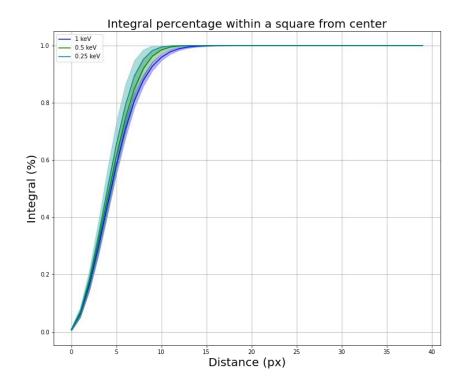
# Zero suppression filter (image level)

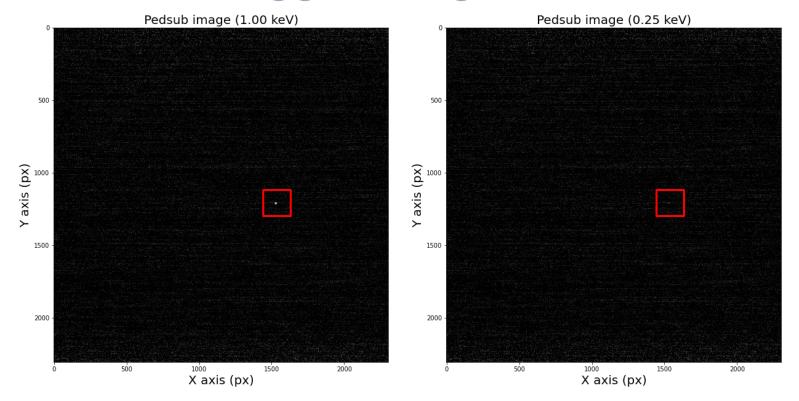
- A threshold capable of detecting the highest intensity pixel from a signal is enough for an image level trigger.
- In average, the following number of noise pixels are above this threshold for each energy:
  - 0.25 keV: 663
  - 0.5 keV: 0
  - **1 keV: 0**
- The training dataset contains some signals with very low ADC counts energy compared to the others (highly affecting average of noise pixels above the threshold for 0.25 keV.)



- An alternative approach for a **pixel level trigger** involves **identifying pixels** with a **high likelihood** of belonging to a signal (centroids) and preserving the surrounding region.
  - Use a high threshold to reject most part of the noise maintaining at least one pixel of the signal (threshold from correlation method).
  - Study the **smallest radius** to save the **entire signal** around the **centroid (next slide)**.
  - Measure overall performance (to be done).

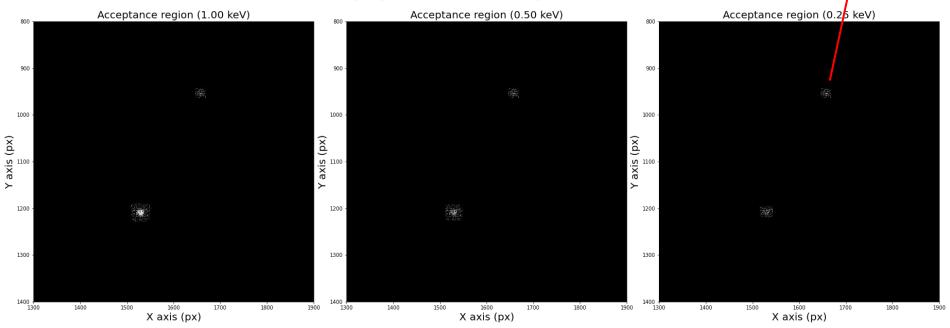
- A study of the window necessary to save the signal pixels was done using 100 simulated NR events.
- A radius of 10 px from the center of the signal is enough to detect almost all of the 0.25 keV signal energy (21x21 square).
  - $\circ$  This radius is increased to ~15 for 1 keV.
  - More than one pixel from 1 keV events are expected to be above the threshold.





#### Noise region

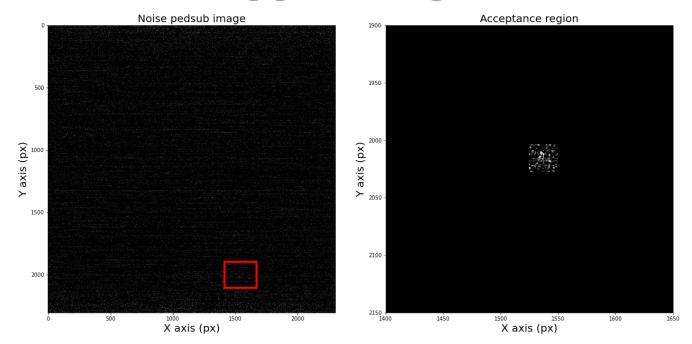
#### Pixel level trigger using centroids



1 keV:: 360 centroids -> 2060 pixels on the acceptance region (100% of the signal energy). (0.0085 seconds)

0.5 keV: 195 centroids -> 1675 pixels on the acceptance region (99.93% of the signal energy). (0.0074 seconds)

0.25 keV: 21 centroids -> 1121 pixels on the acceptance region (99.15% of the signal energy). (0.0064 seconds)



▶ Noise: 18 centroids -> 599 pixels on the acceptance region. (0.0176 seconds)

## Conclusions and next steps

- The zero suppression alone is not enough to work neither as image nor pixel level trigger.
- A pixel level trigger based on centroid detection through filtering (high correlation points) seems promising.
  - Choose hyperparameter (threshold for centroids and radius).
  - Efficiency measures using the datasets.
  - **Processing time** measure.



# Anomaly detection

## Anomaly detection

- Anomaly detection algorithms are specialized in detecting outliers on data.
  - Technically, **both trigger methods** proposed may be **considered** as **anomaly detection** (**supervised**).
  - Training a model with **labeled data** will **limit** the **detection of anomalous events** in CYGNO's case?
  - Can we consider a track as a sum of various smaller tracks? (tested but not happen)
- ▷ A possible solution would be to train a model using **only noise images**.
  - A promising approach involves using **autoencoders**.

# Thanks!