

Is Machine Learning ready for HEP?

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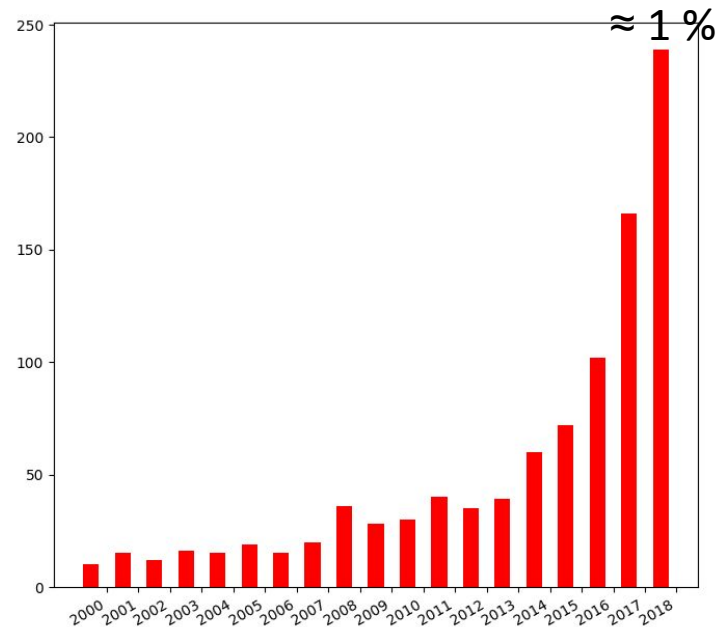
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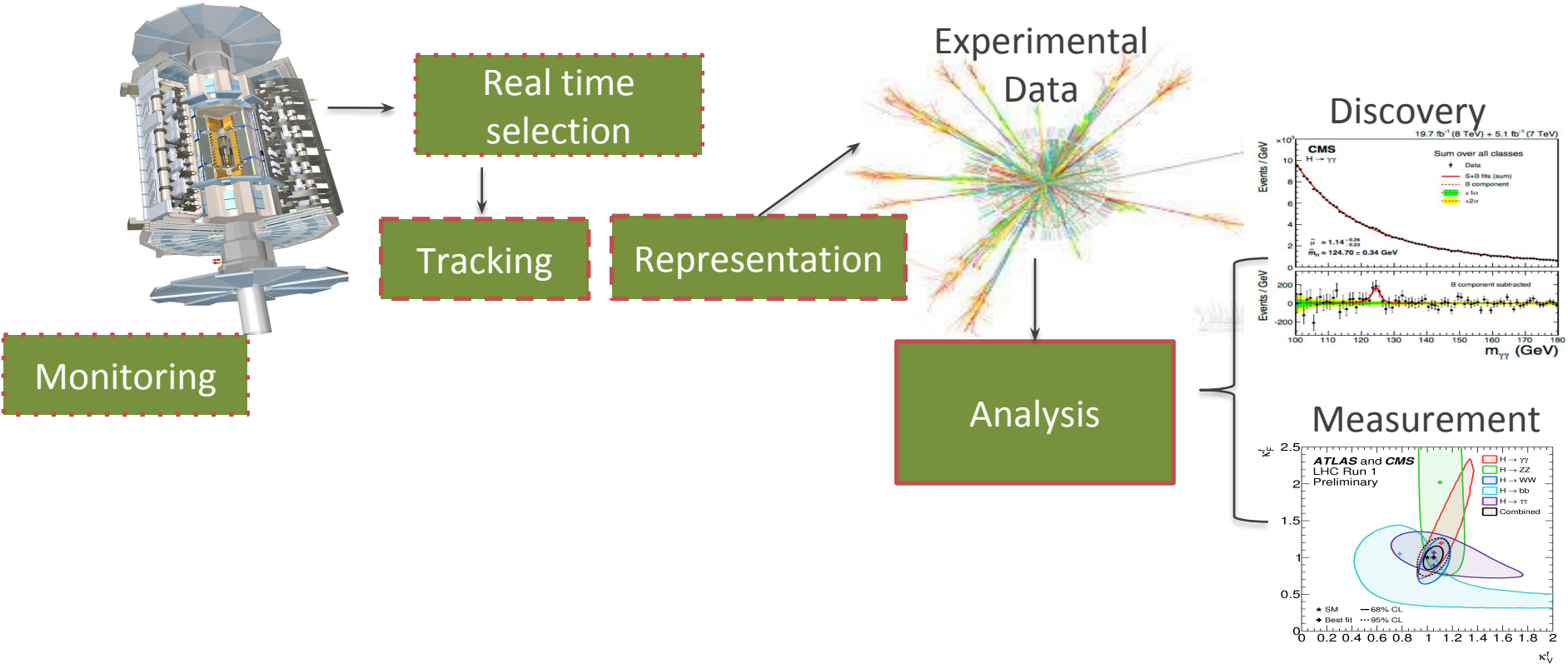
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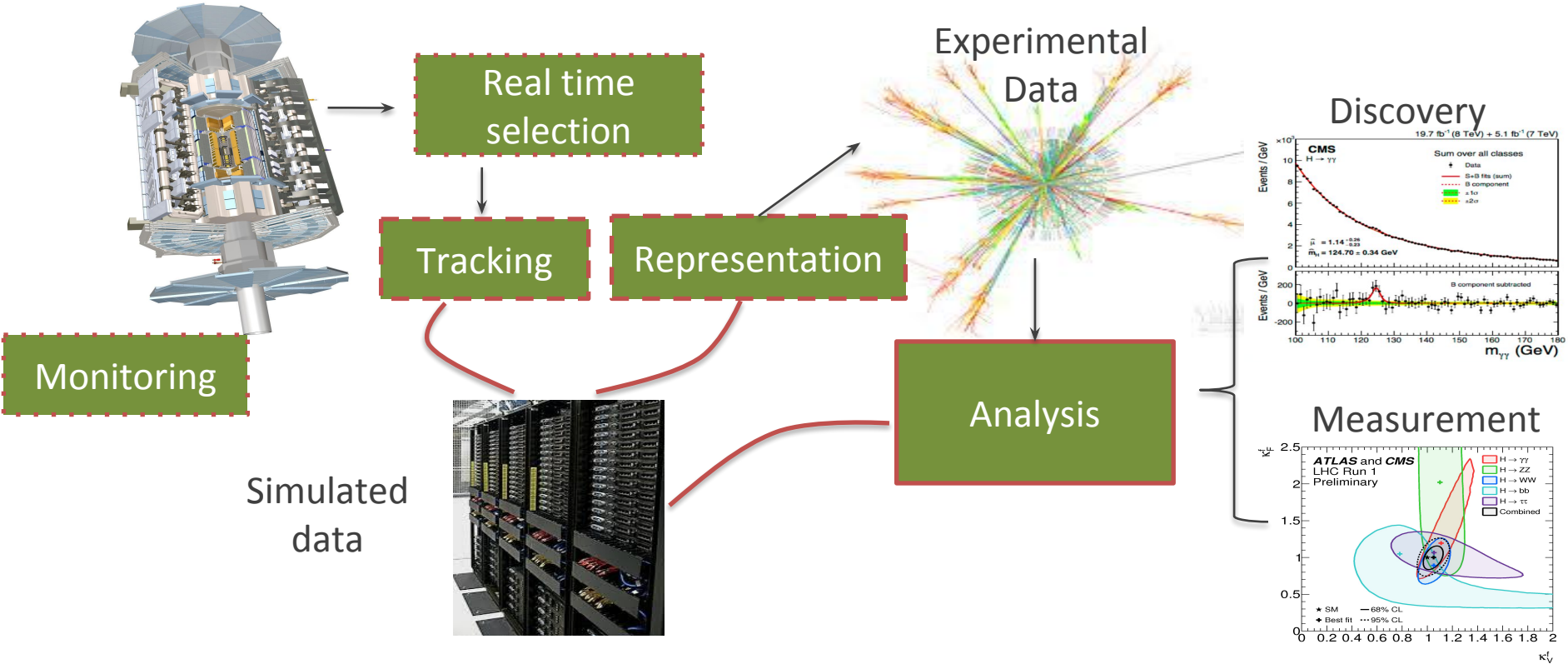
ArXiv physics:astro-ph and physics:hep-ex papers with *machine learning*, *deep learning* or *neural network* in the title or abstract



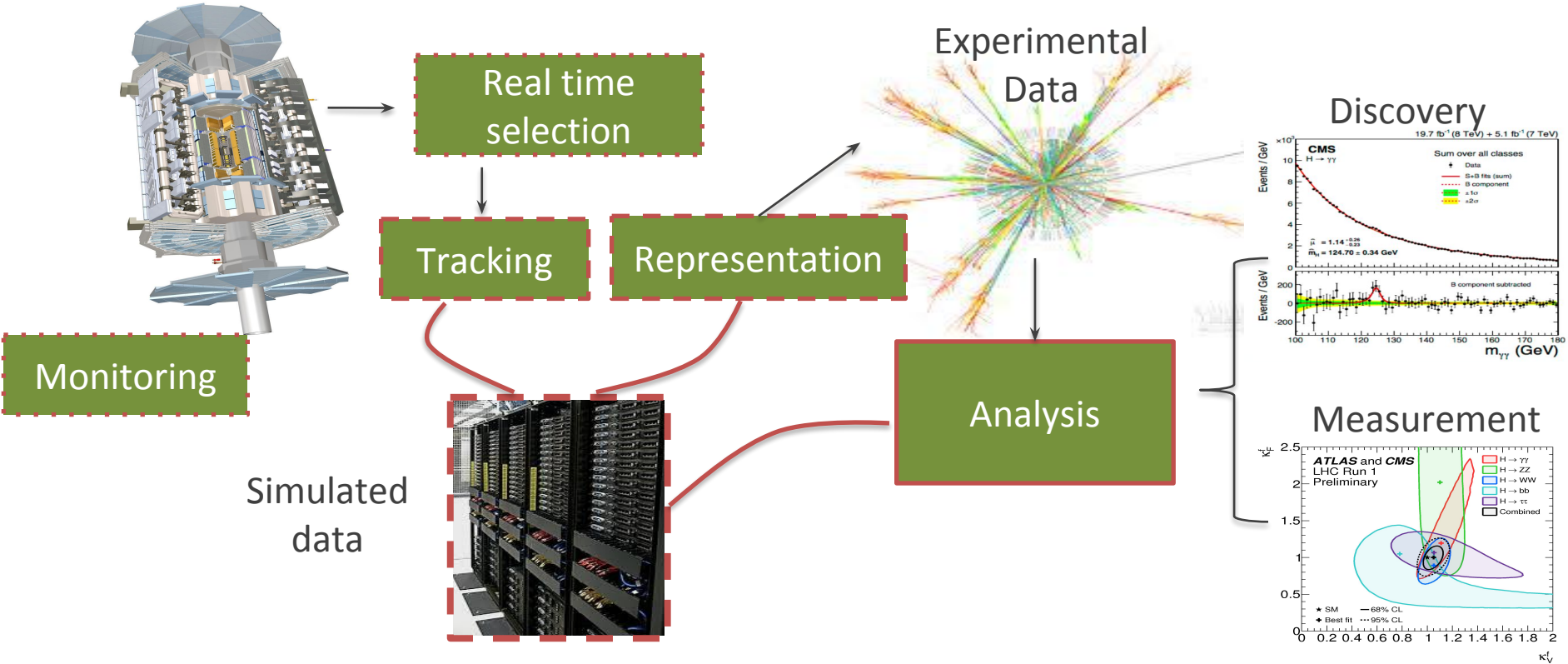
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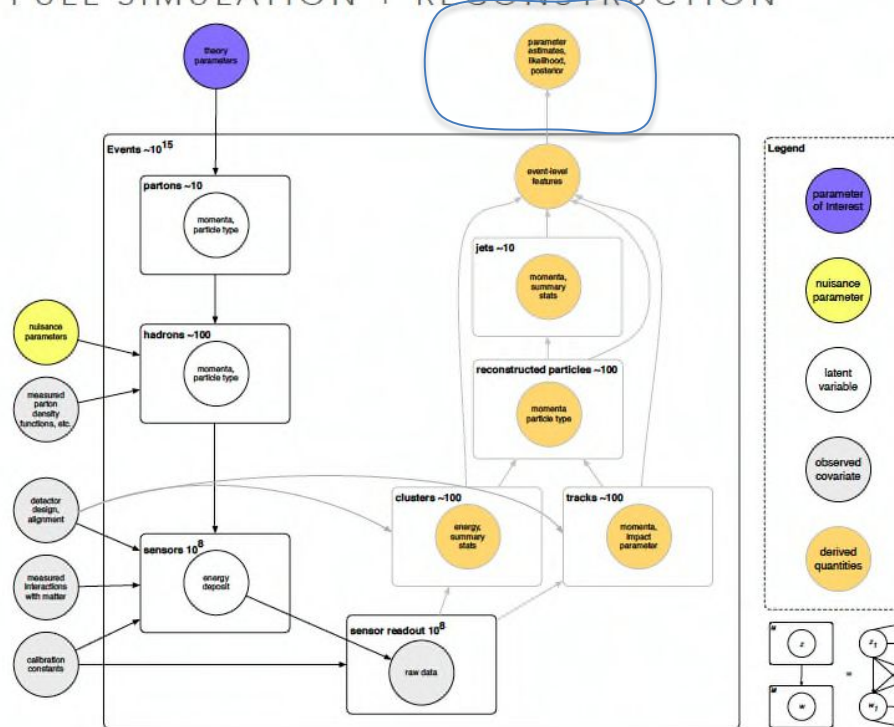


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The simulation pipeline

FULL SIMULATION + RECONSTRUCTION



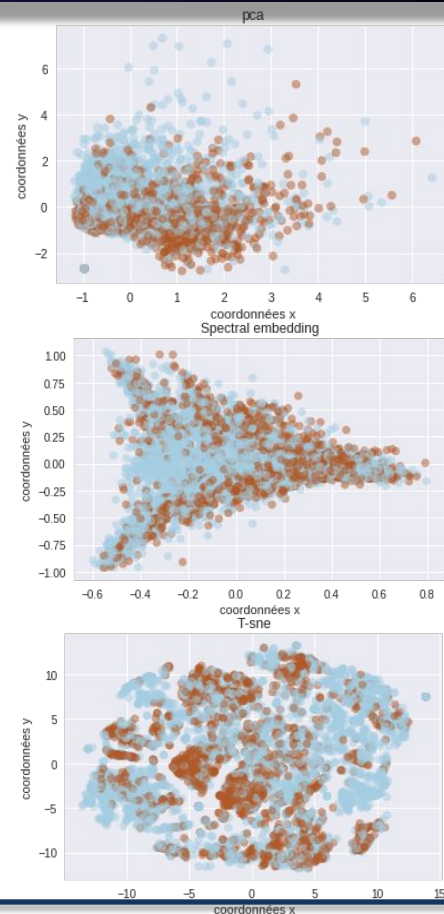
Few parameters from theory
Interaction with a very complex apparatus

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Analysis: discovery and measurement

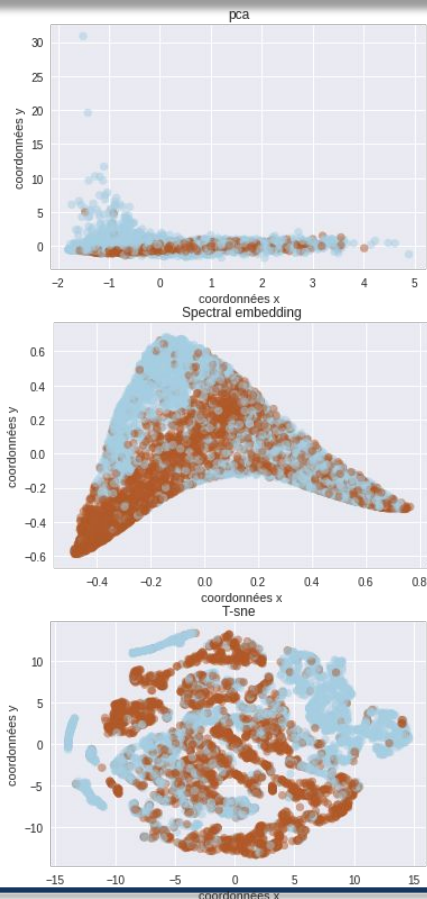
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ATLAS full detector simulator

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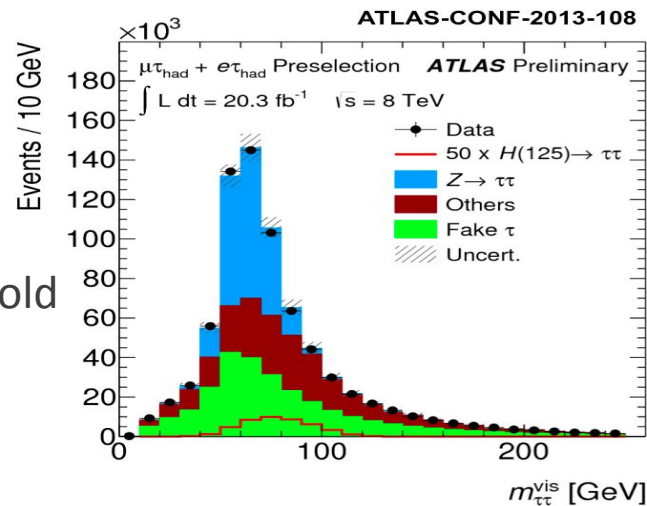
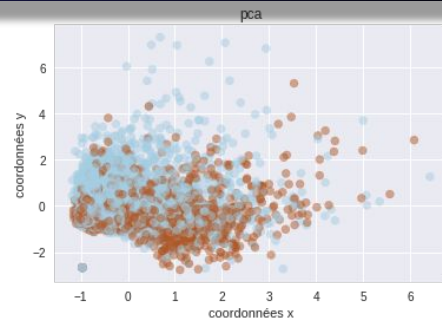
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UCI Higgs dataset

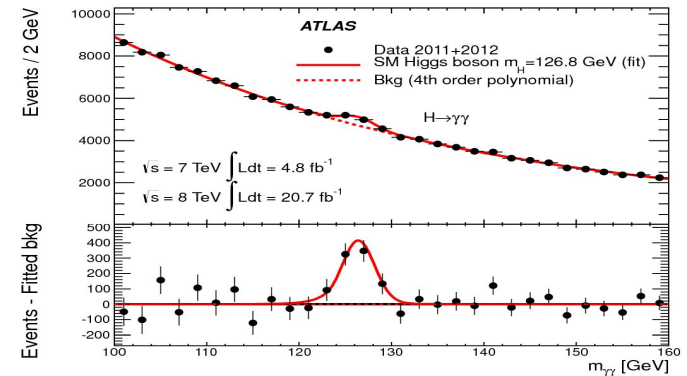
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- Surprisingly hard
 - “Dense and full rank”: dimension of data manifold = dimension of feature space
 - Needle in a haystack



Investigate the compliance of the data with the standard model:
statistical testing on a **Poisson distribution**

- Selection in the feature space: select the events that could be signal and count: N the **only** observable
- Does this number **significantly** exceed the expected number of events predicted by a background-only hypothesis?
- Test $\mu = 0$ against $\mu > 0$



$$N \sim \text{Pois}(\mu_s + b)$$

s (resp b): expected number of signal (resp background)

Classification for discovery

- Select the could-be signal events: binary classifier $f = (g, t)$
- Balanced dataset, weights w_i as in importance sampling

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1, w_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_n, y_n, w_n)\}^I$$

- Selected signals (resp backgrounds) are True (resp False) Positives

$$s = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S} \cap \hat{\mathcal{G}}} w_i \quad b = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B} \cap \hat{\mathcal{G}}} w_i$$

- Optimal decision rule \approx Neymann-Pea γ
- Classifier performance evaluated on simulations

Performance metric

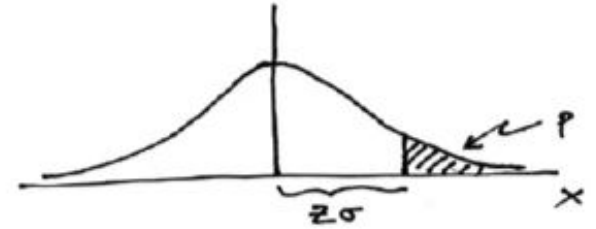
- H0 vs H1: p-value and significance

$$Z = \Phi^{-1}(1-p)$$

- Composite test: $\mu = 0$ against $\mu > 0$
- Approximate Median Significance

$$\text{AMS} = \sqrt{2 \left((s + b) \ln \left(1 + \frac{s}{b} \right) - s \right)} \approx \frac{s}{\sqrt{b}}$$

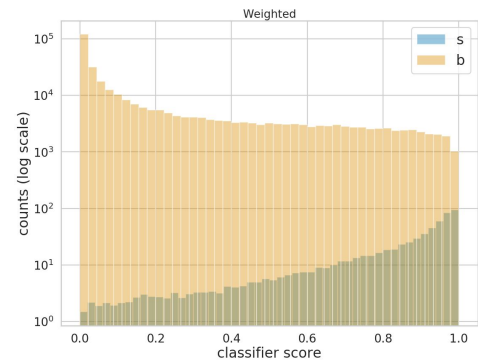
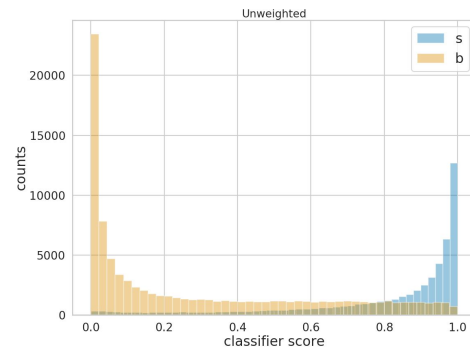
- Expected significance= AUC ([Dempster 65](#))
- Depends only on TP and FP



[G. Cowan et al. 1007.1727](#)

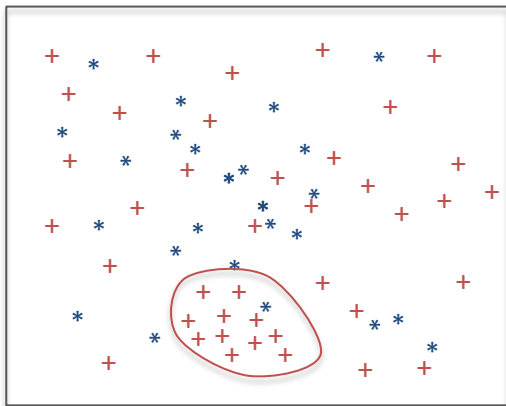
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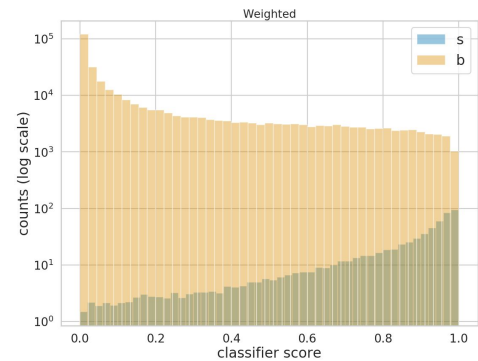
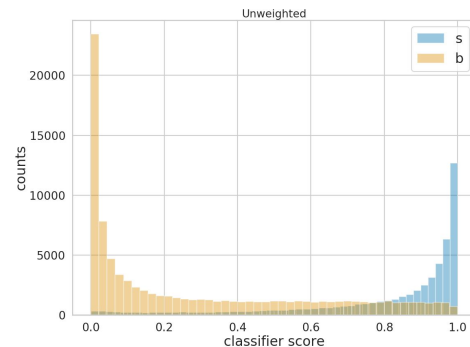


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Signal-rich
region



Benchmarking

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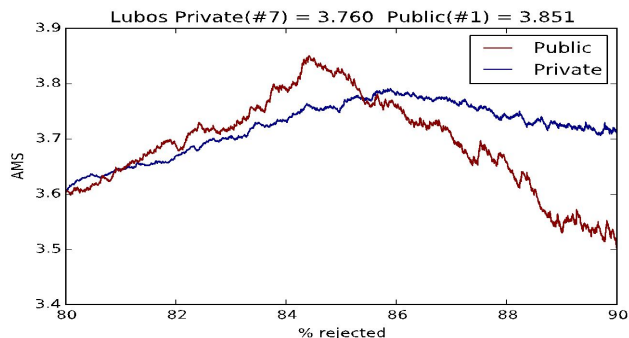
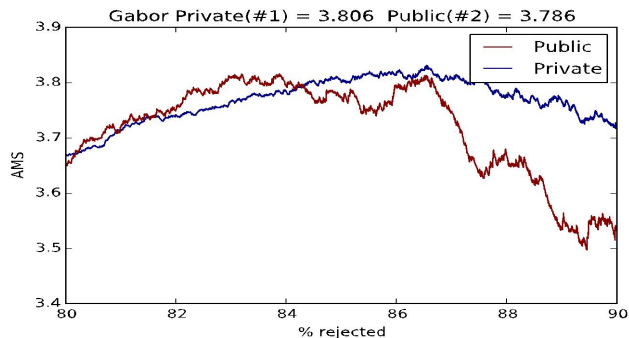
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- Dataset typical of real analysis
- 40 features: summary statistics (PRI_) and engineered (DER_)
- 1M instances
- Full simulation
- Evaluated on AMS
- Available on opendata.cern.ch

[Adam Bourdarios et al, JMLR procs](#)

2014-2019

- No disruptive method emerged
 - Direct optimization of the AMS overfits
 - “D”NN and gradient boosting in the same league
- But ML clear winners
- ML technical expertise critical
 - Feature construction (physics) marginal improvement
 - Efficient cross-validation and bagging decisive
- 2019: technical expertise available in standard process



Systematic errors

- Causes: “known unknowns”
 - Known = can be included in the simulation pipeline, typically as **nuisance parameters**
 - As opposed to “statistical” error, eg capacity or finite size for the classifier tool
- Decreases sensitivity of analysis to the parameter of interest = wider uncertainty on estimates
- So far, mostly not integrated in selection – upper bound of ML usefulness in LHC analysis

Source of uncertainty	σ_μ	
Total	0.39	
Statistical	0.24	
Systematic	0.31	
Experimental uncertainties		
Jets	0.03	
E_T^{miss}	0.03	
Leptons	0.01	
b -tagging	b -jets	0.09
	c -jets	0.04
	light jets	0.04
	extrapolation	0.01
Pile-up	0.01	
Luminosity	0.04	
Theoretical and modelling uncertainties		
Signal	0.17	
Floating normalisations	0.07	
Z +jets	0.07	
W +jets	0.07	
$t\bar{t}$	0.07	
Single top-quark	0.08	
Diboson	0.02	
Multijet	0.02	
MC statistical	0.13	

Systematics on discovery

- Standard statistical tool: profile likelihood ratio

$$\Lambda(\mu) = \frac{L(\mu, \hat{\alpha})}{L(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\alpha})}$$

- Its distribution is asymptotically independent of nuisance parameters α
- Discovery significance for a counting experiment with gaussian uncertainty on background

$$\left[2 \left((s + b) \ln \left[\frac{(s + b)(b + \sigma_b^2)}{b^2 + (s + b)\sigma_b^2} \right] - \frac{b^2}{\sigma_b^2} \ln \left[1 + \frac{\sigma_b^2 s}{b(b + \sigma_b^2)} \right] \right) \right]^{1/2} \cong \frac{s}{\sqrt{b + \sigma_b^2}}$$

[Cowan et al. 1007.1727](#)

[Elwood et al. 1806.00322,](#)

[Xia 1810.08387](#)

Systematics and measurement

$$N \sim \text{Pois}(\mu s(\alpha) + b(\alpha))$$

$$\text{Typically } \alpha \sim \prod_i \text{Normal}(m_i, \tau_i)$$

- Cross-section μ , normalized to the nominal
- Minimize the relative measurement error:
 - Point-wise classification: estimate μ with error-oriented regularization

$$\frac{\sigma_\mu}{\mu} = \sqrt{\sigma_{stat}^2 + \sigma_{syst}^2}$$

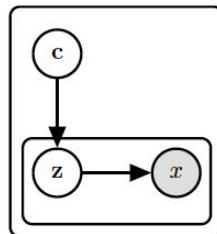
σ_{stat} : error on the nominal

σ_{syst} : impact of the systematics

- Or, summary (sufficient) statistics: learn a data-set level representation minimizing the confidence interval

ML Contexts

- Pattern recognition: enforce invariance wrt parameterized known transforms
 - Tangent Prop [simard91], invariance
- The context matters [Edwards17]
 - Topic Model
- Transfer learning
- Fairness [Hardt], with GAN [Louppe], with VAE [Mathieu][Louizos]
 - Demographic parity: independence
 - Equalized odds/opportunity: independent conditional on the class/some class



$$P(g(X) = v | z) = P(g(X) = v | z')$$
$$P(g(X) = v | z, y) = P(g(X) = v | z', y)$$

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Point-wise invariance

Tangent propagation

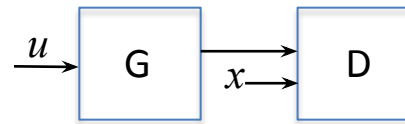
- Output of the model should be invariant according to some known transformation T of the input
- Regularize the derivative of the model according to the parameter of the transformation

$$l(x) = l_{usual}(x) + \lambda \left\| \frac{\partial g(T(x, z))}{\partial z} \right\|_{z=0}^2$$

- Data efficient

Pivot Adversarial Network [[Louppe et al.](#)]

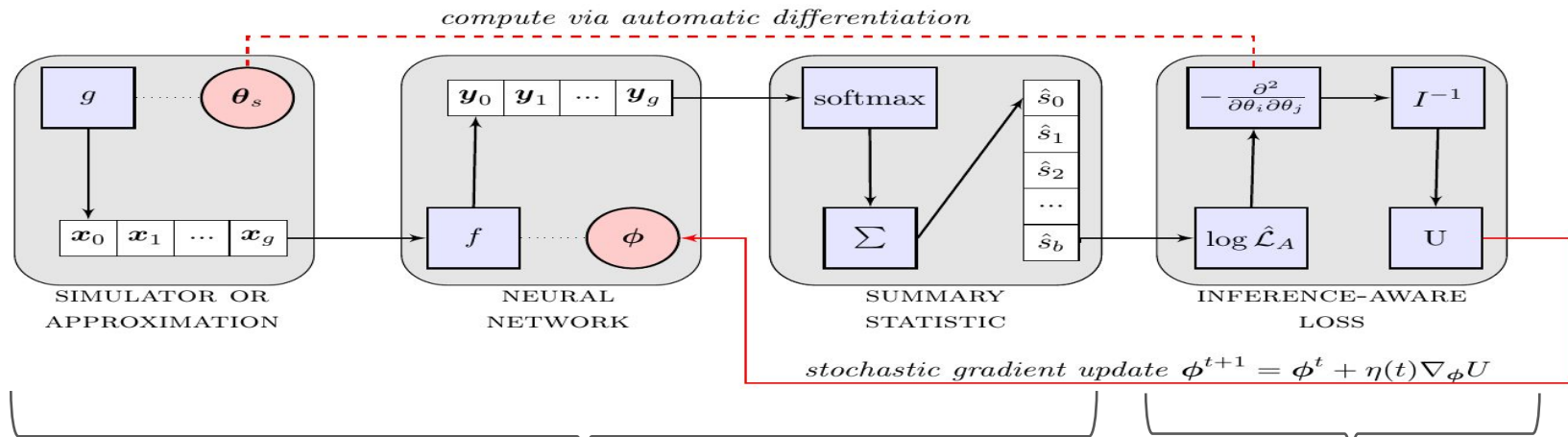
- GAN: learn the (regularized) objective function itself [Goodfellow]



$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}(x)} [\log D(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_z(z)} [\log(1 - D(G(z)))]$$

- Generator: distribution of the classification score g
- Discriminator: reconstruct z from g
- Principled, but data intensive

Summary statistics: INFERNO



Learn a representations of the dataset
defined by context θ_s

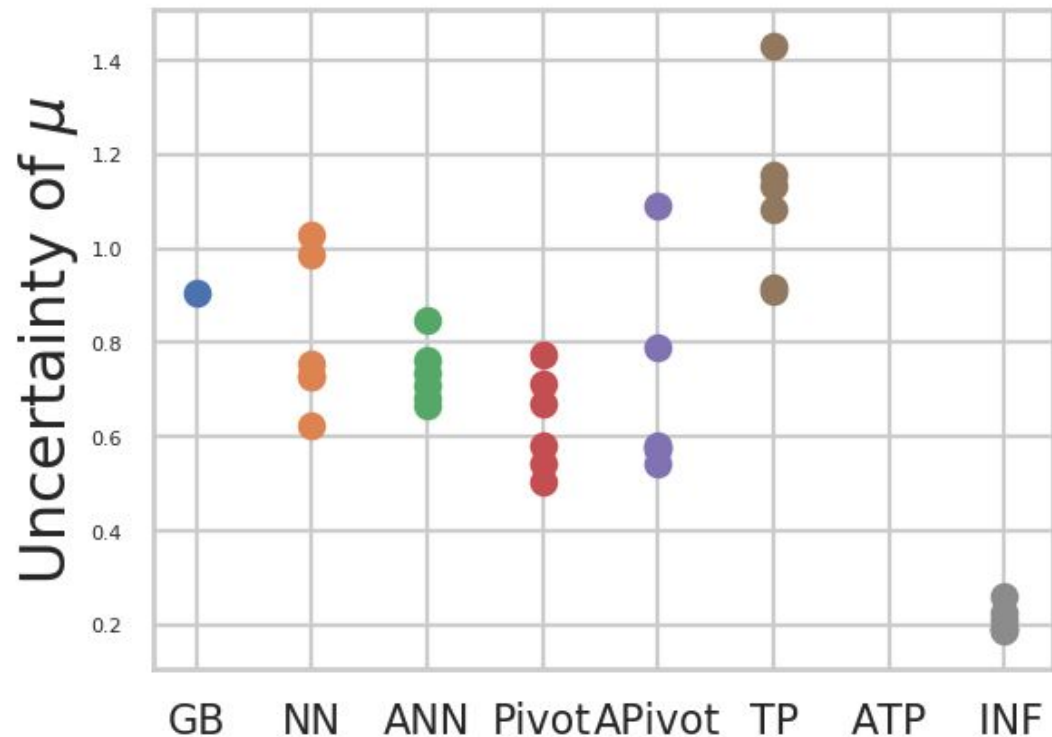
$$L_{\phi}(\mu, \alpha) = \prod_{i=1}^b \text{Pois}(\hat{s}_i)$$

Laplace approximation

Loss function $I_{kk}^{-1} \leq \text{var}(\mu)$
accounts for the
effect of the nuisance parameters

[De Castro et al. 1806.04743](#)

Preliminary results

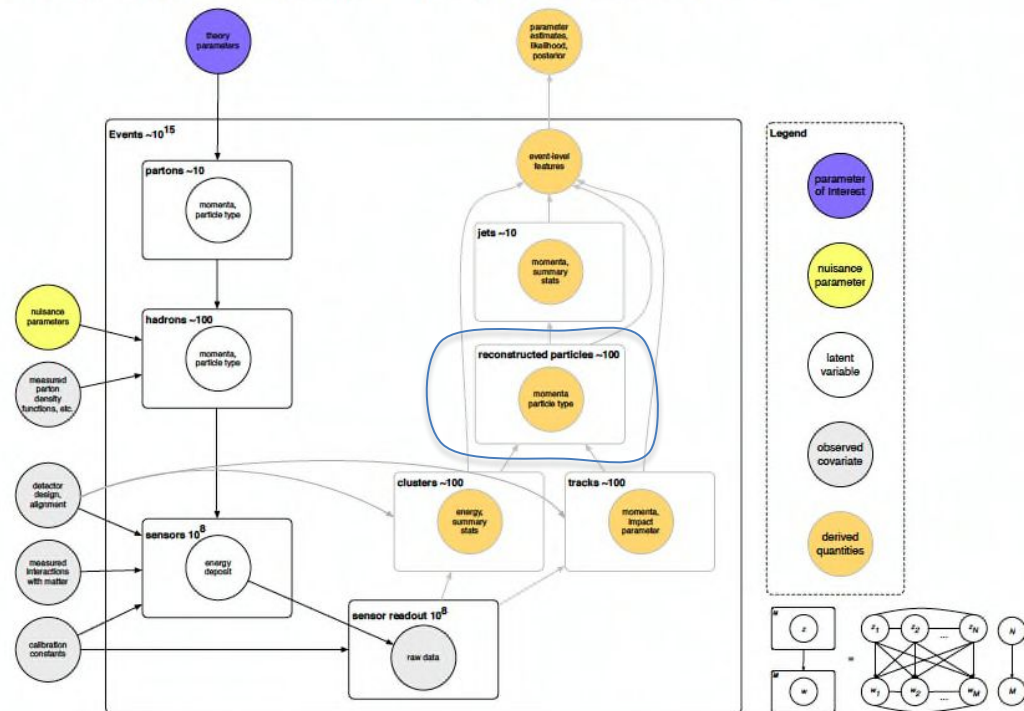


<i>Systematic</i>	mean	std
Tau ES	1.0	0.05
Jet ES	1.0	0.05
Lep ES	1.0	0.01
Soft term	2.7	0.5
Nast Bkg	1.0	0.5



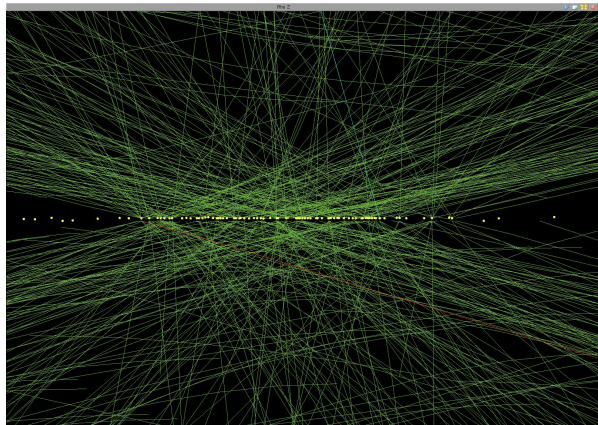
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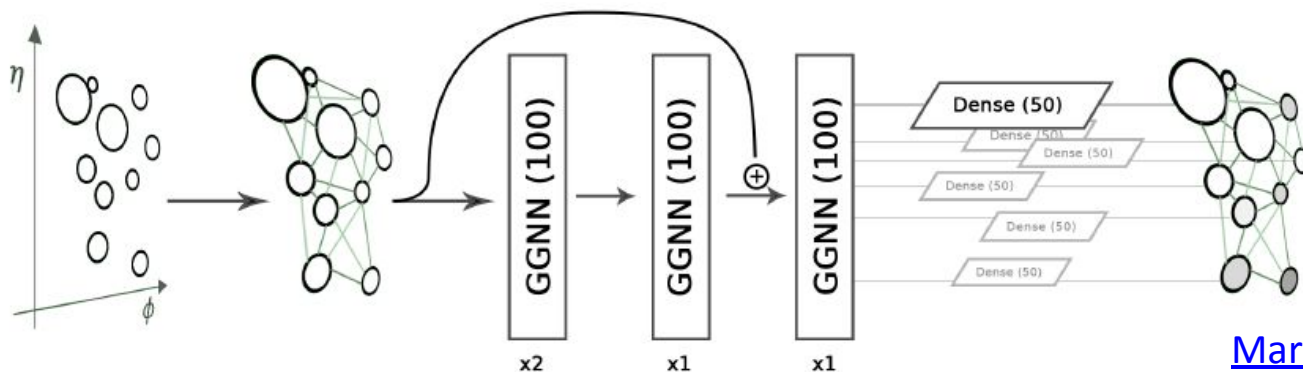
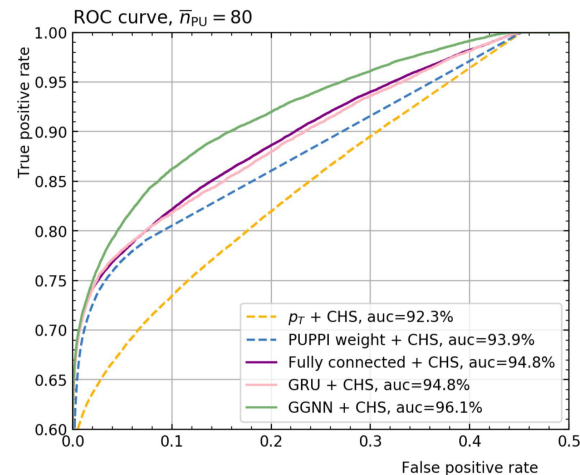


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Pile-up mitigation with Graph Neural Networks



Classify particles created by the interesting collision against parasitic ones



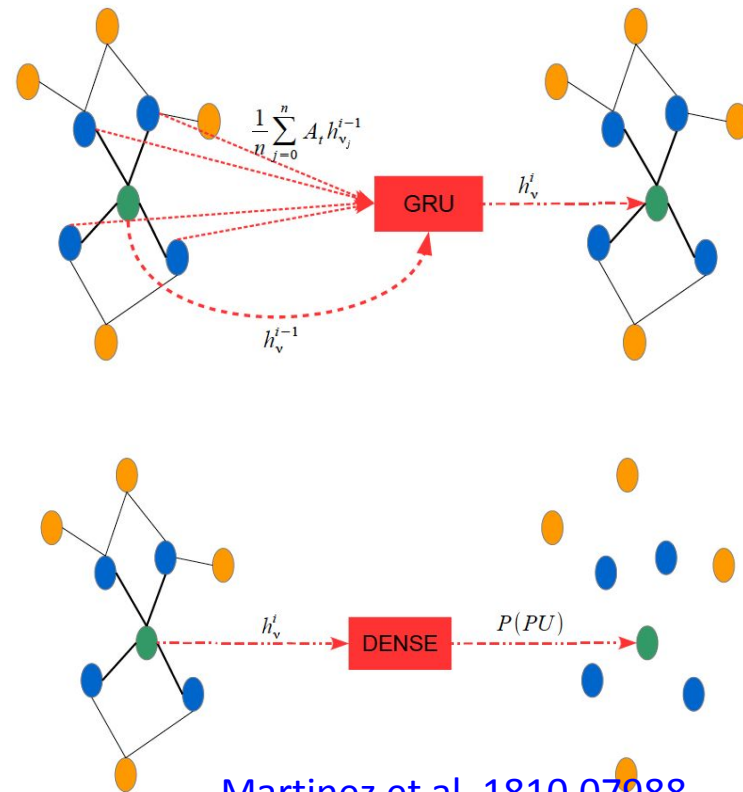
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- Edges defined by distance in the (η, φ) plane
- Message propagation

$$GRU \left(h_v^{i-1}, \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^n A_t h_{v_j}^{i-1} \right) \rightarrow h_v^i$$

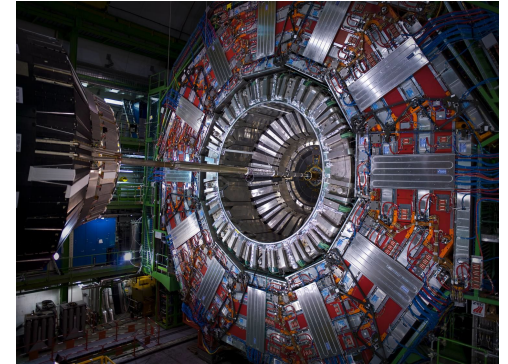
- Classification based on internal representation on each node



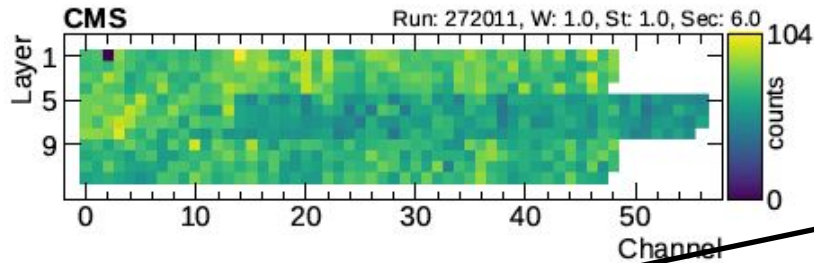
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Data quality monitoring

- Very summary statistics selected to detect known failure modes.
- Monitored by detector experts, with predetermined validation guide lines
- On-line
 - Subsampled data, raw sensors output
 - Identify failed elements and raise alarm
- Off-line
 - On full data, with physics interpretation
 - Larger granularity

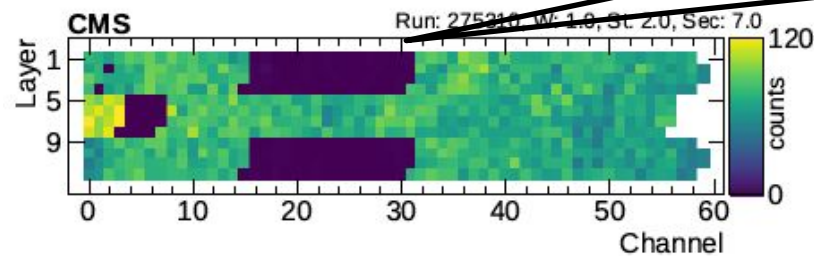


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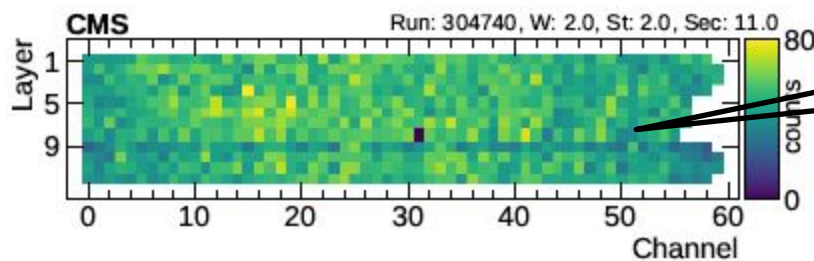
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Expected: small variance amongst (6) consecutive channels



Failed Frequent Supervised CNN

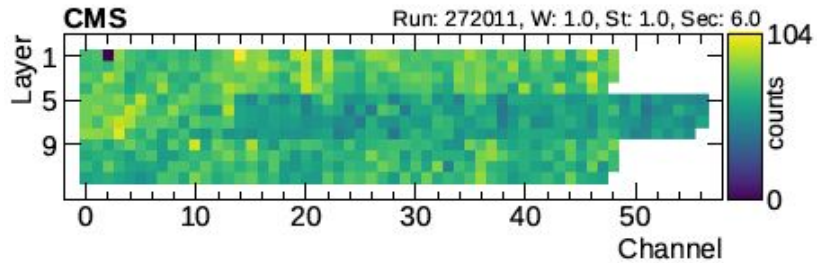
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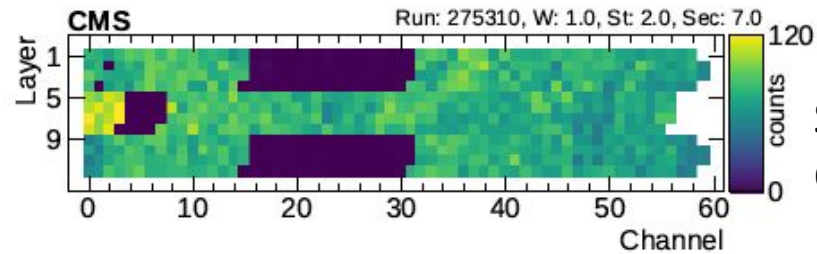
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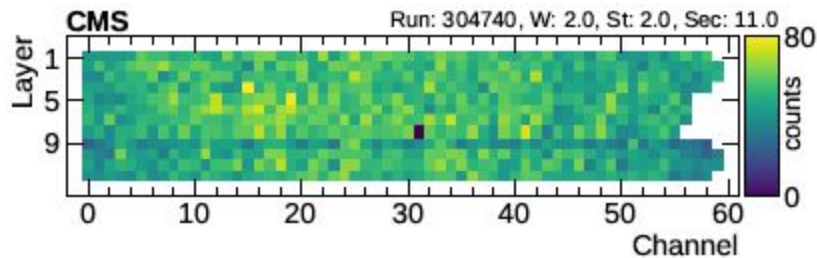
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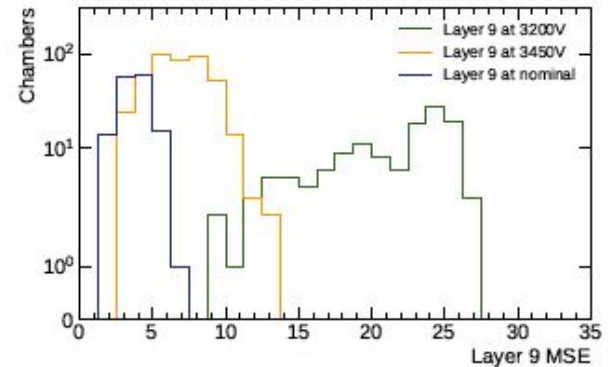
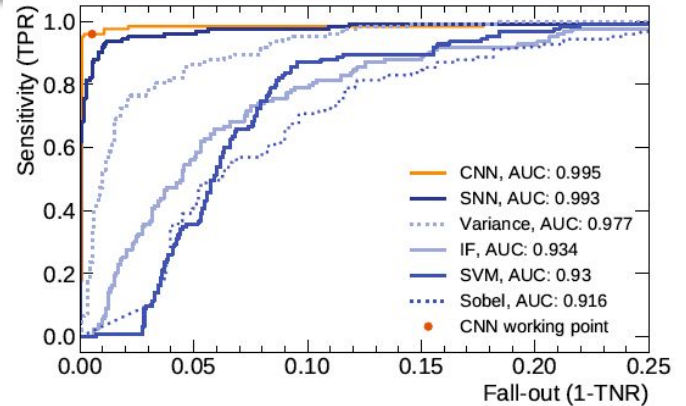
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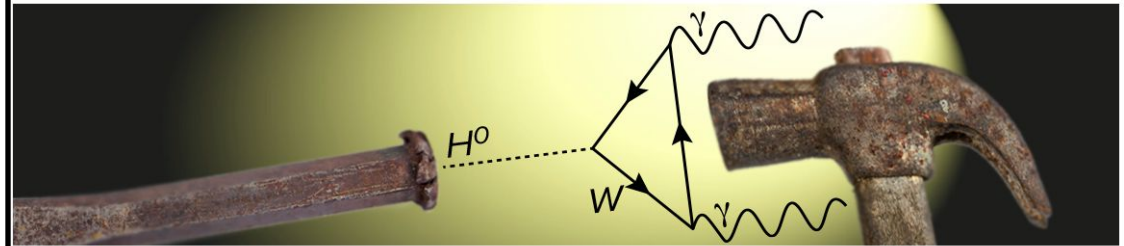
      

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Approximate Median Significance

$$n \sim \text{Pois}(\mu s + b)$$

$$\text{MLE} : \hat{\mu} = \frac{n-b}{s}$$

$$\text{Profile LR} : \lambda(0) = \frac{L(0)}{L(\hat{\mu})}$$

Test statistic $q_0 = -2 \ln \lambda(0)$ if $n > b$, 0 otherwise

$$= -2 \left(n \ln \frac{b}{n} - n + b \right)$$

Asymptotically (Wilks) $q_0 \sim \text{chi-2}$.

thus $p = 1 - \Phi(\sqrt{q_0})$ and $Z = \Phi^{-1}(1-p) = \sqrt{q_0}$

AMS = Median($Z \mid s$)

With $n = s + b$,

$$\text{AMS} = \sqrt{2 \left[(s+b) \ln \left(1 + \frac{s}{b} \right) - s \right]}$$

$$\mathbf{h}_v = f(\mathbf{x}_v, \mathbf{x}_{co[v]}, \mathbf{h}_{ne[v]}, \mathbf{x}_{ne[v]})$$

- \mathbf{x}_v : node v features, idem ne , idem co (incoming edge)
- \mathbf{h}_v : internal representation
- output depends on internal state and state

$$\mathbf{o}_v = g(\mathbf{h}_v, \mathbf{x}_v)$$

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- Each node is represented by an aggregation of its neighborhood

Algorithm 1: GraphSAGE embedding generation (i.e., forward propagation) algorithm

Input : Graph $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$; input features $\{\mathbf{x}_v, \forall v \in \mathcal{V}\}$; depth K ; weight matrices $\mathbf{W}^k, \forall k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$; non-linearity σ ; differentiable aggregator functions $\text{AGGREGATE}_k, \forall k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$; neighborhood function $\mathcal{N} : v \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{V}}$

Output : Vector representations \mathbf{z}_v for all $v \in \mathcal{V}$

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1  $\mathbf{h}_v^0 \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_v, \forall v \in \mathcal{V}$ ;
2 for  $k = 1 \dots K$  do
3   for  $v \in \mathcal{V}$  do
4      $\mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}(v)}^k \leftarrow \text{AGGREGATE}_k(\{\mathbf{h}_u^{k-1}, \forall u \in \mathcal{N}(v)\})$ ;
5      $\mathbf{h}_v^k \leftarrow \sigma(\mathbf{W}^k \cdot \text{CONCAT}(\mathbf{h}_v^{k-1}, \mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}(v)}^k))$ 
6   end
7    $\mathbf{h}_v^k \leftarrow \mathbf{h}_v^k / \|\mathbf{h}_v^k\|_2, \forall v \in \mathcal{V}$ 
8 end
9  $\mathbf{z}_v \leftarrow \mathbf{h}_v^K, \forall v \in \mathcal{V}$ 

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