

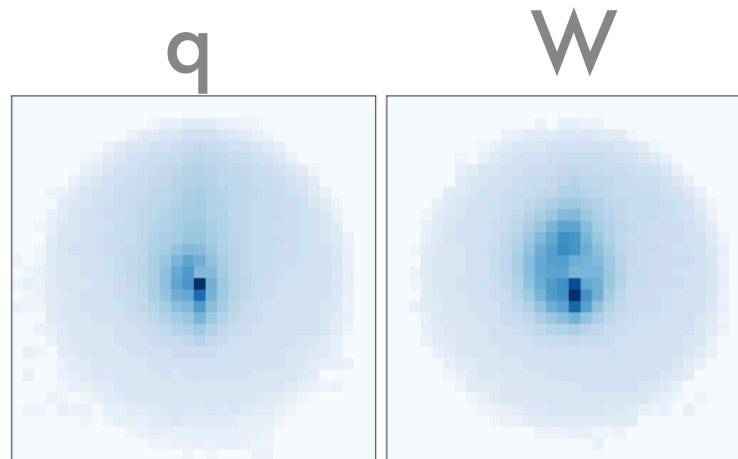
Interpretable Networks for Identifying Leptons



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Motivation

Deep networks find new power for **jet** substructure



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Leptons are simpler objects...

...but their backgrounds are often **jets**!

Questions

1. Can deep networks outperform existing physics vars for **electrons** and **muons**?
2. Can we **interpret** what the network has learned?

Electrons

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.01984>

Learning to Identify Electrons

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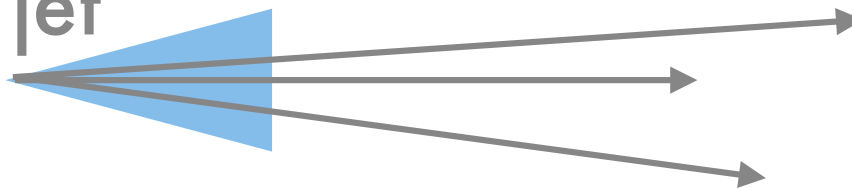
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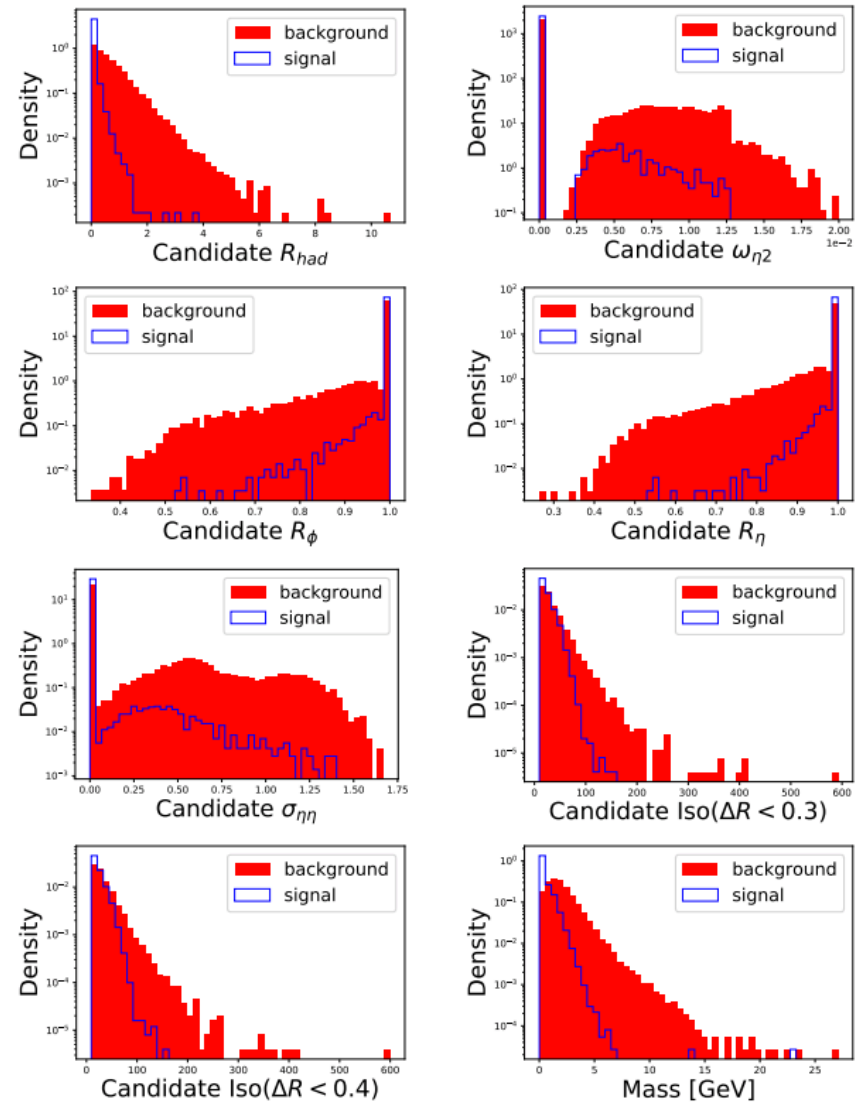
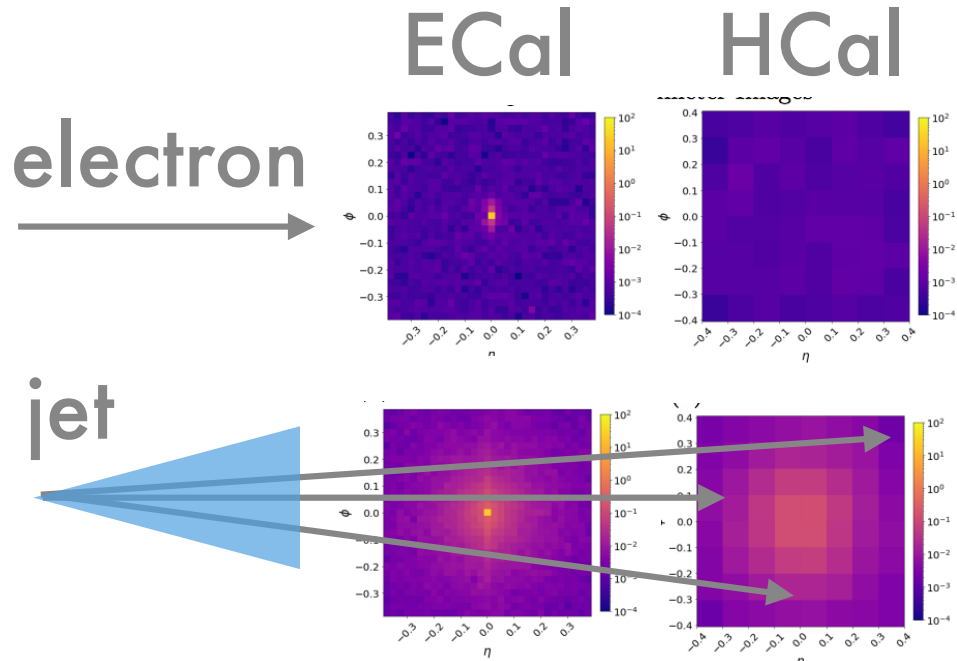


jet



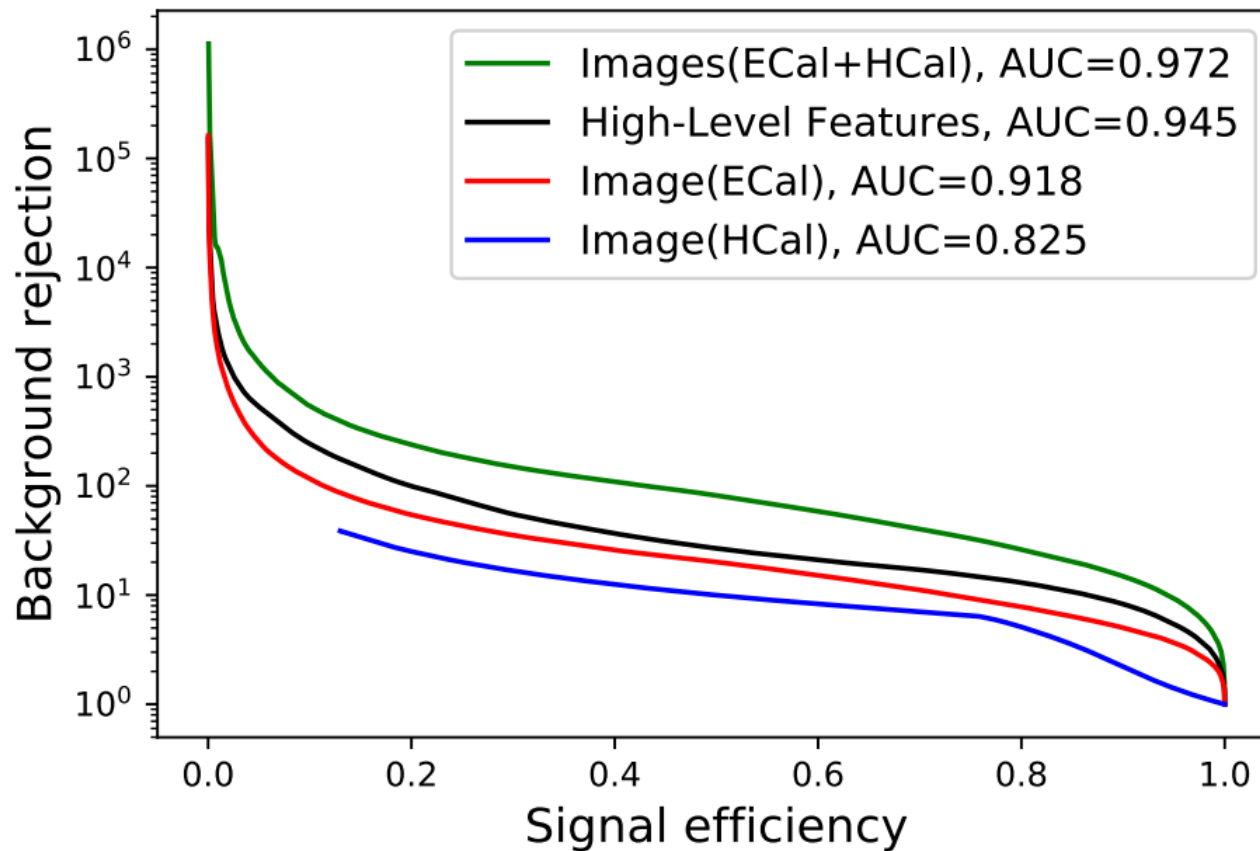
Electrons

Physics features



Electrons

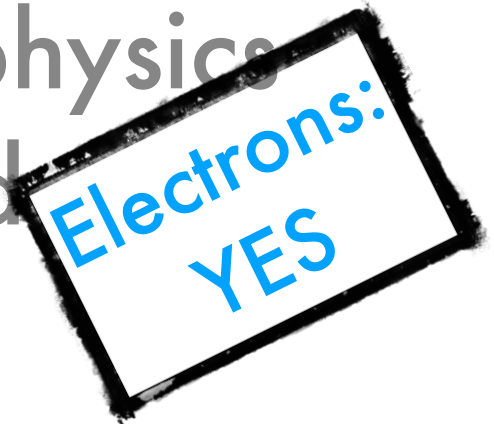
Performance Gap



Images outperform physicists!

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How to interpret?

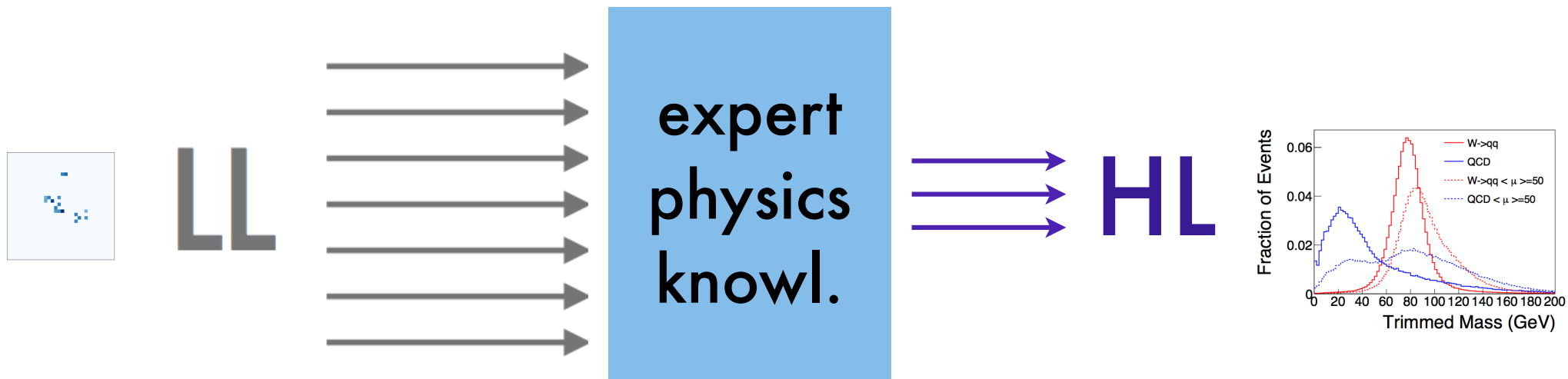
Mapping Machine-Learned Physics into a Human-Readable Space

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<https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.11998>

What is it doing?

Our low-level (LL) data are often high-dim



Can't interpret
LL data

But HL doesn't
always capture
the information

Yet we prefer HL

If HL data includes all necessary information...

- It is easier to understand
- Its modeling can be verified
- Uncertainties can be sensibly defined
- It is more compact and efficient
- LL -> HL is physics, so we like it.

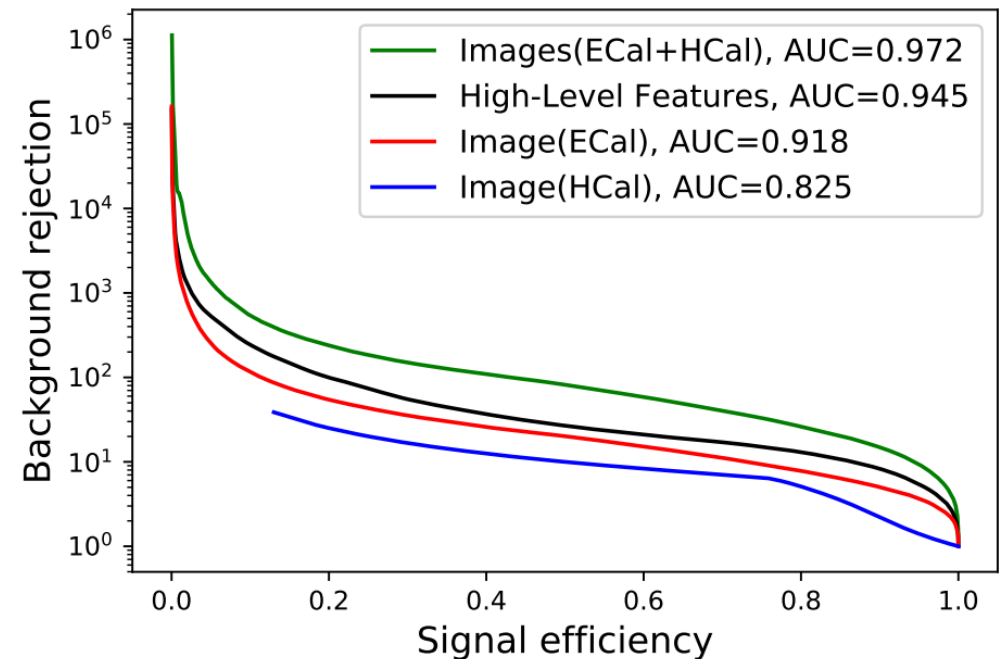
Our question

How has the DNN found its solution?
What can we learn from it?

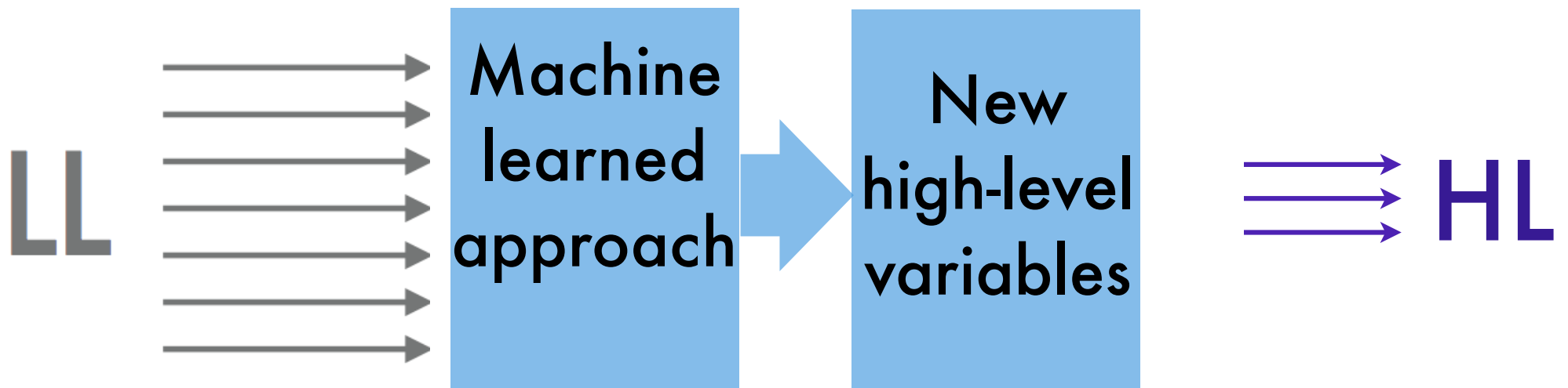
Residual knowledge:

Is there a **new** HL variable?

Can it reveal physics?



Learning from ML

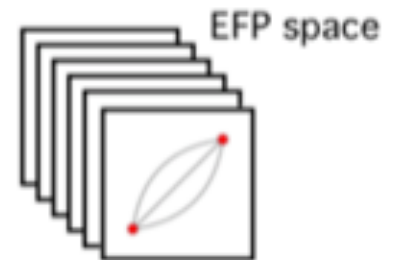


Use LL analysis as a probe, not a final product.

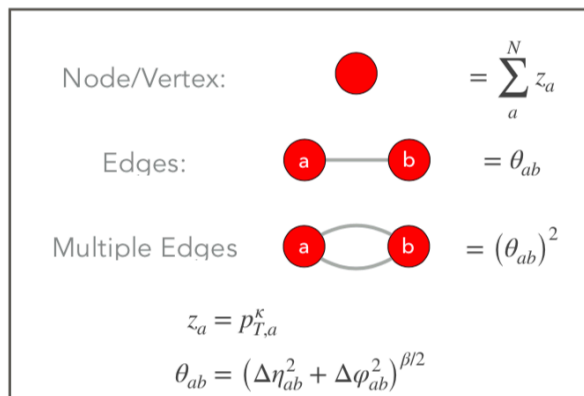
How?

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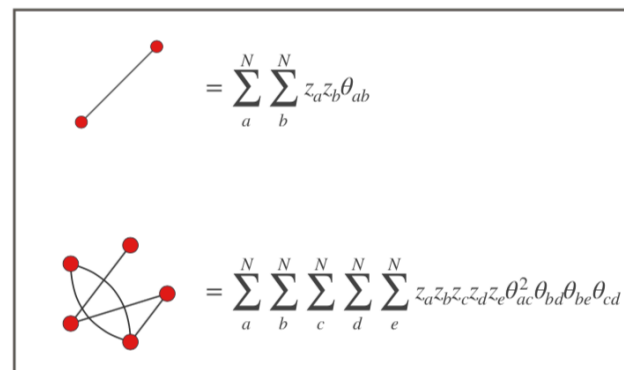
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Graph components



Examples



How?

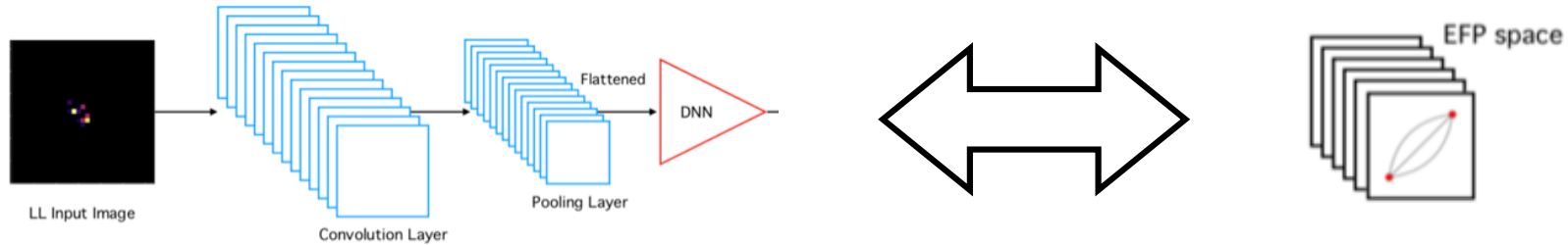
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II. Define mapping metric

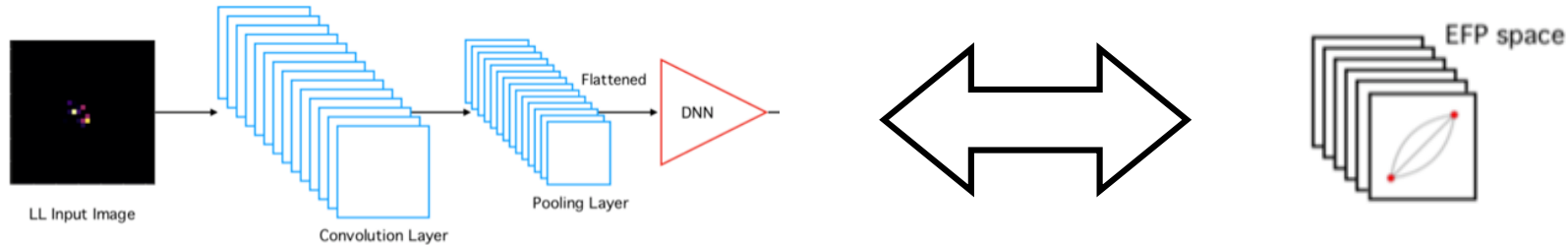
- how do you compare two solutions?
- can't use functional identity or linear correlation

Mapping



How to map from deep network
into our space of interpretable observables?

Mapping



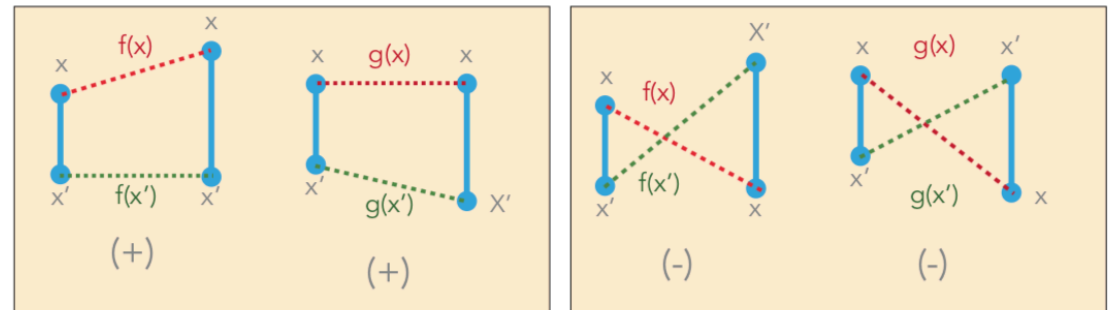
Function sameness

Complete equivalence
not the idea

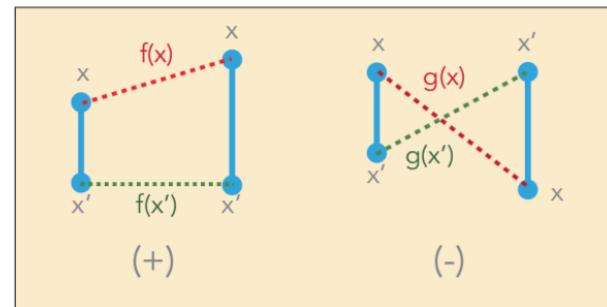
Any 1:1 transformation
of function has no impact
in our context

Only care about the
ordering of points
not the actual function
values

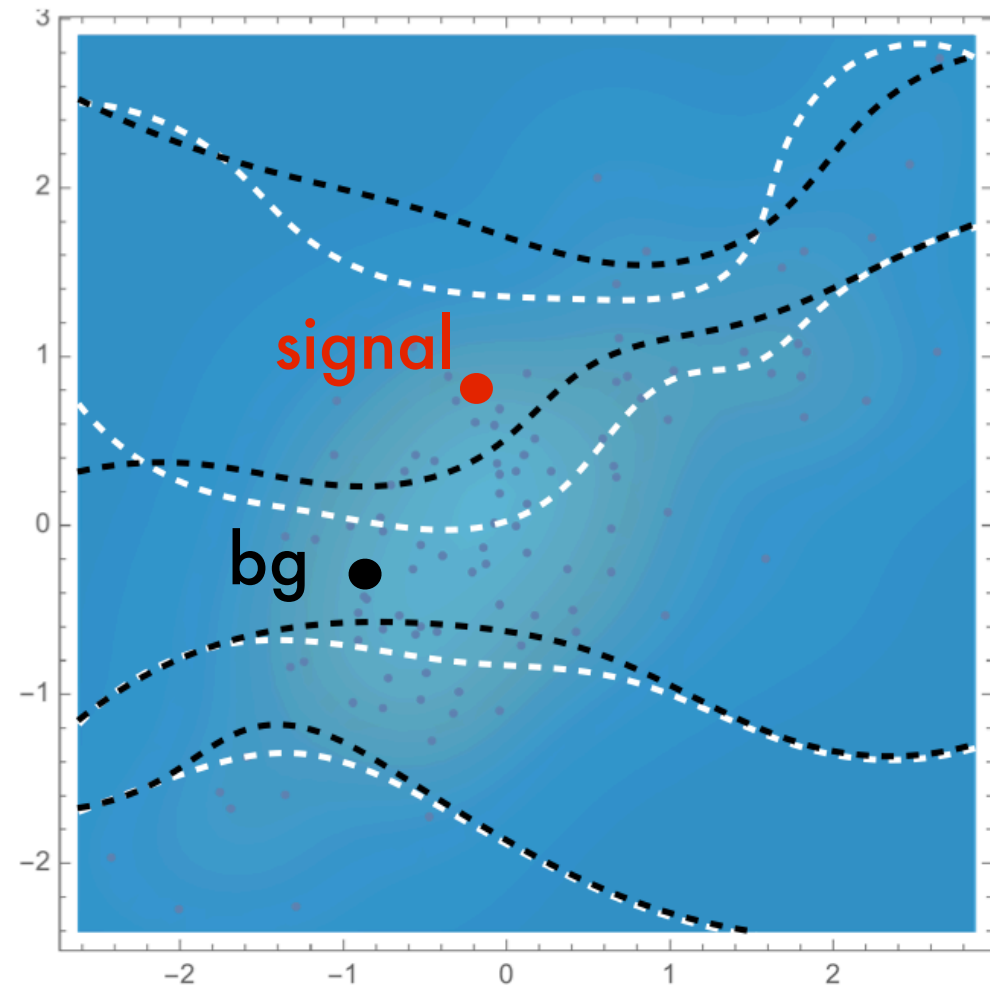
Similar Orderings



Dissimilar Orderings



Discriminant ordering



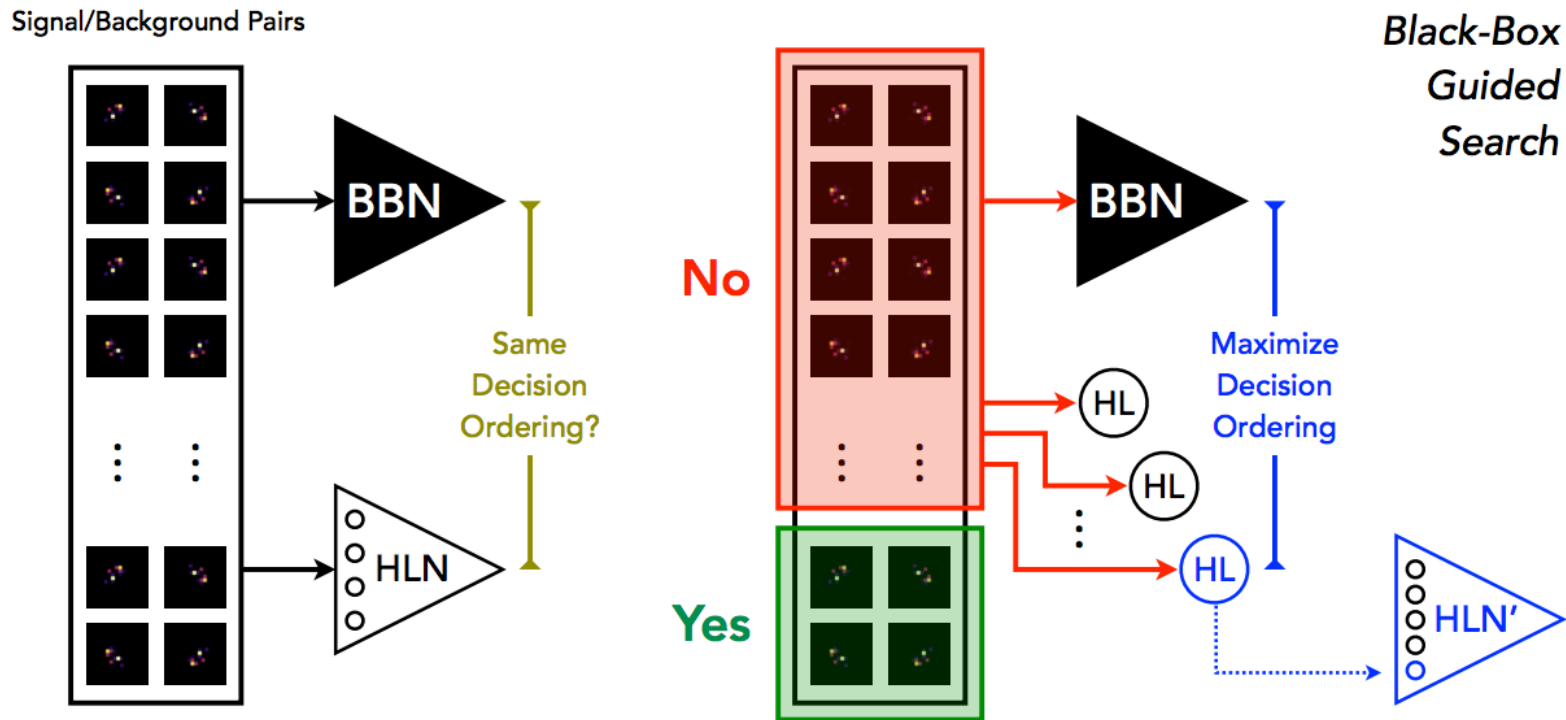
Evaluate how often they give a bg-sig pair the same ordering.

$$\text{DO}(x, x') = \Theta\left(\left(f(x) - f(x')\right)\left(g(x) - g(x')\right)\right)$$

Sample the space.

$$\text{ADO} = \int dx dx' p_{\text{sig}}(x) p_{\text{bkg}}(x') \text{DO}(x, x').$$

Finding the HL



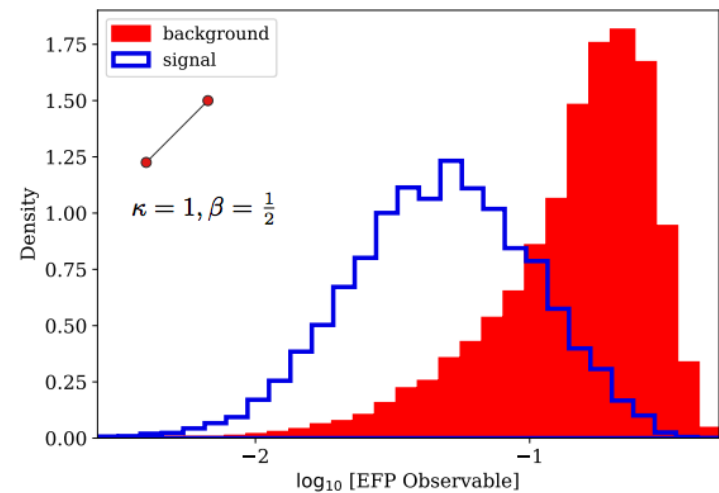
Use decision ordering to isolate disagreement and select new HL feature

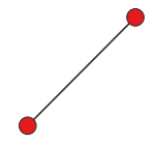
Closing the gap

Scan for electron NN
finds a new feature





Created to study quarks
and gluons.

Helps separate electrons
and jets!




$$= \sum_{a,b=1}^N z_a z_b \theta_{ab}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Closing the gap

Base	Additions (κ, β)		(AUC)
7HL			0.945
7HL	$+M_{\text{jet}}$		0.956
7HL		 $(1, \frac{1}{2})$	0.970
7HL	$+M_{\text{jet}}$	 $(1, 1)$  $(1, \frac{1}{2})$	0.971
7HL		\cdot $(2, -)$	0.970
7HL	$+M_{\text{jet}}$	 $(2, 1)$ \cdot $(2, -)$	0.971
CNN			0.972

Muons

Learning to Isolate Muons

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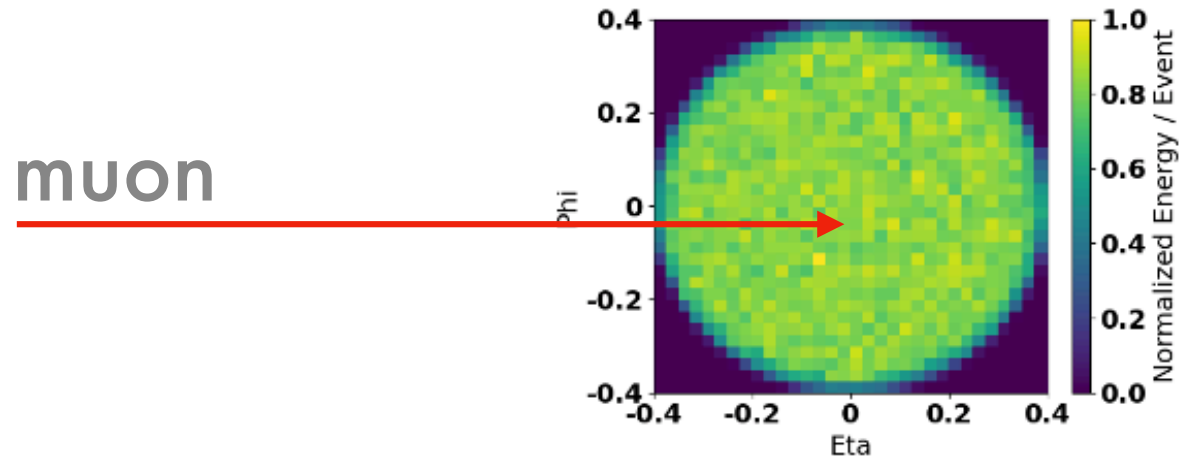
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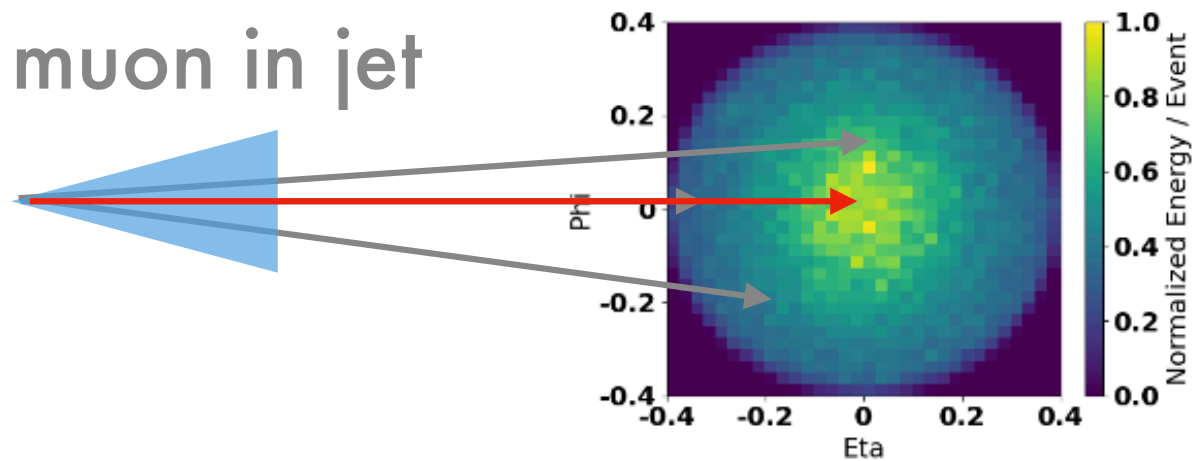
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Muons



(a) Mean Prompt Muon

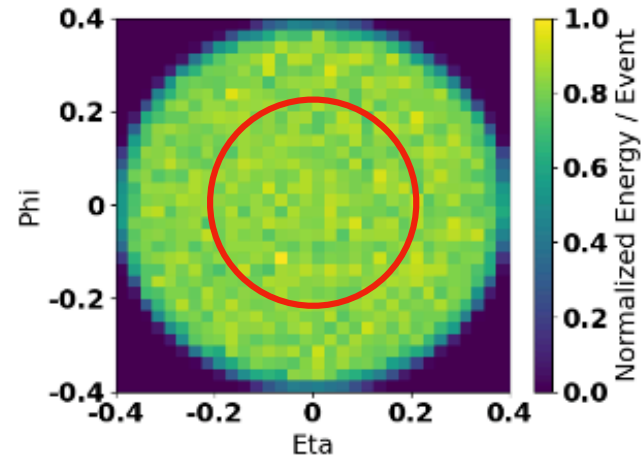


(b) Mean Non-prompt Muon

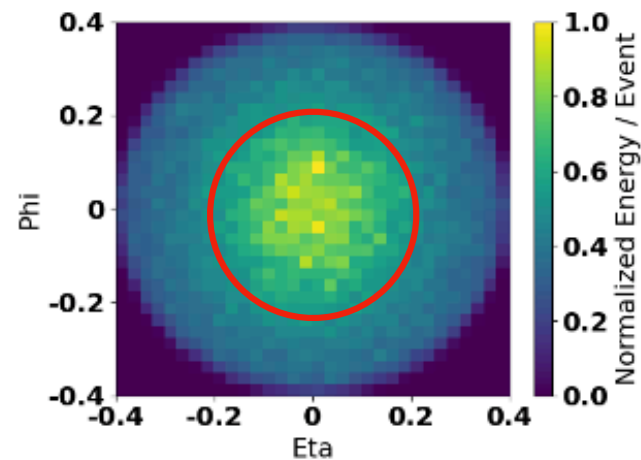
Isolation cones

Standard approach:
isolation cone

$$I_{\mu}(R_0) = \sum_{i, R < R_0} \frac{p_T^{\text{cell } i}}{p_T^{\text{muon}}}$$

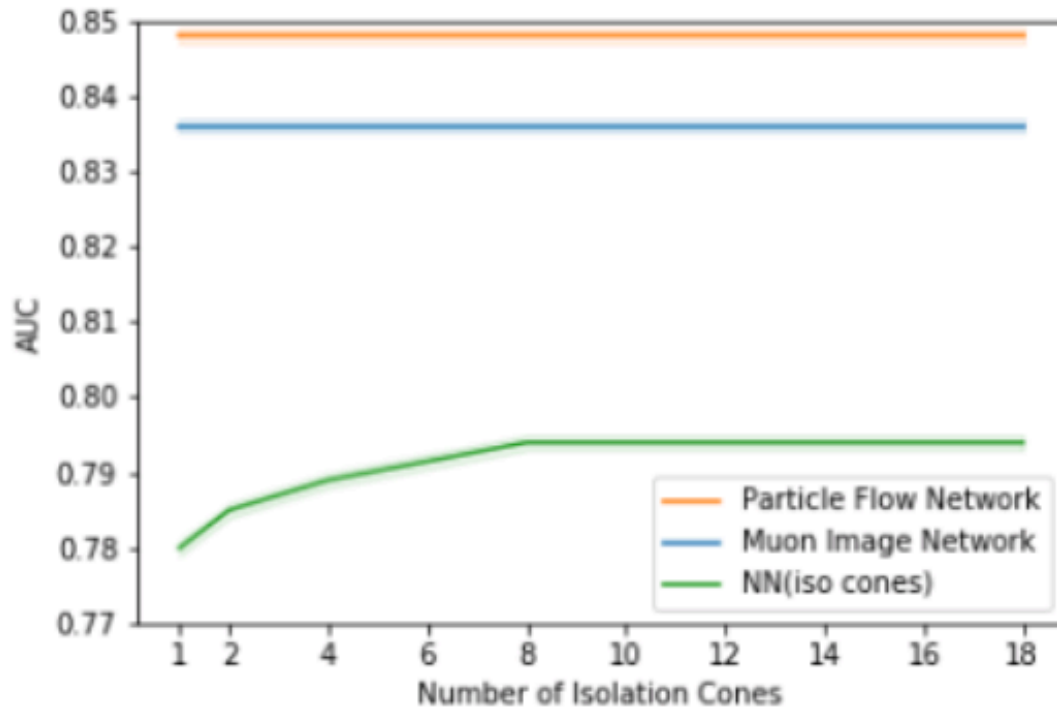


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Results



Calo-cell networks

Iso networks

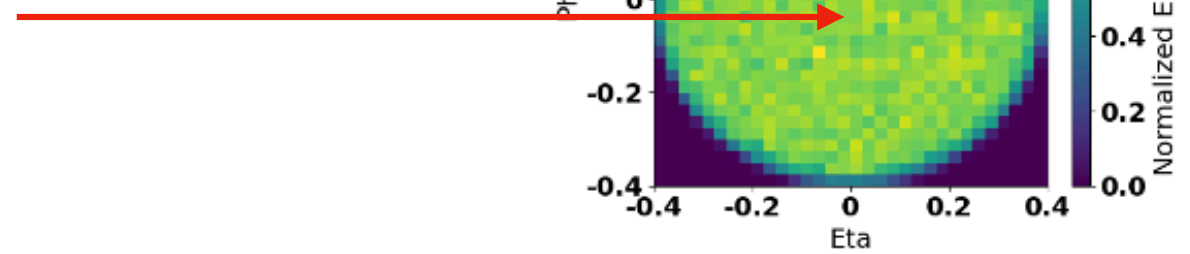
More iso cones improves performance
Isolation cannot match calo-cell networks

Muons

Could there be non-radial information relevant?

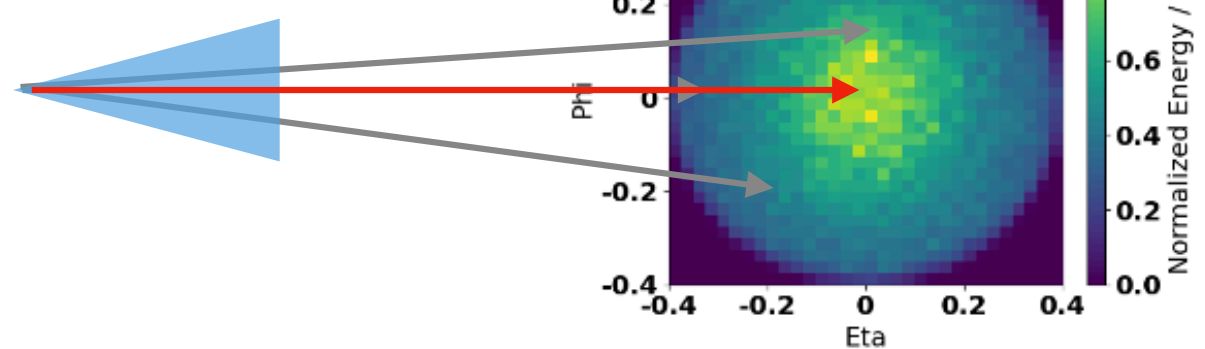
Jets have complex structures!

muon



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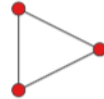
muon in jet

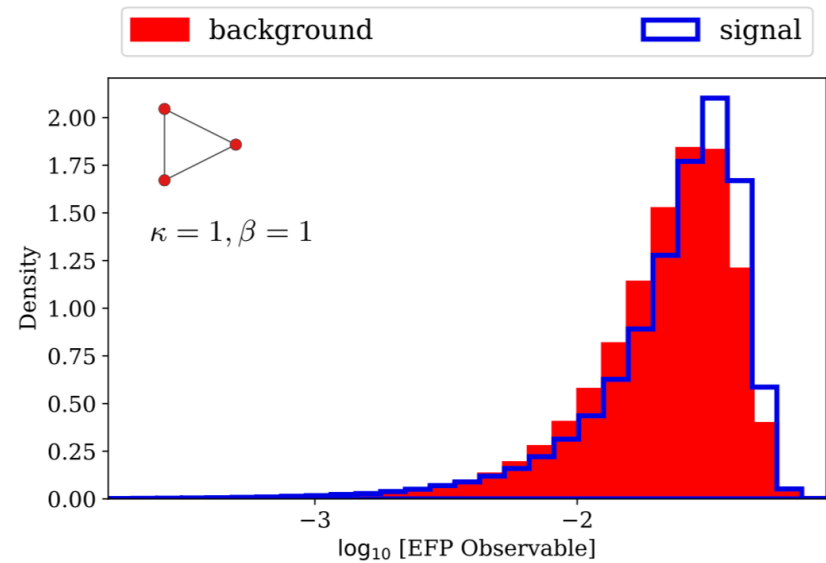


(b) Mean Non-prompt Muon

Useful observable

This observable helps!


$$= \sum_{a,b,c=1}^N z_a z_b z_c \theta_{ab} \theta_{bc} \theta_{ca}$$



An open gap

Adding one
EFP helps

Many
EFPs don't
close the gap!

Method	AUC	ADO[CNN]
Single Iso Cone	0.780	0.865
8 Iso	0.794	0.878
8 Iso + $\sum p_T$ + 1 IRC-safe EFPs	0.813	0.897
8 Iso + $\sum p_T$ + 4 IRC-safe EFPs	0.821	0.908
8 Iso + $\sum p_T$ + 10 IRC-unsafe EFPs	0.827	0.923
Calo image CNN	0.836	1
Calo cell Energy-Flow Net	0.843	0.946
Calo cell Particle-Flow Net	0.848	0.948

They don't know where the muon is
can't calculate angle relative to muon.

Needs a new class of EFP.

Conclusions

Deep networks can identify gaps
where low-level data contains unused info

Mapping strategies can interpret
capture performance in interpretable obs.

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