

Hunting new physics with Deep Learning: Physics-case of vector-like fermions and exotic scalars

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The Standard Model (**SM**) is the basis by which all subatomic interactions are described. **However**, some unanswered questions remain . . .

- Inability to explain the observed particle spectra (family replication, masses and couplings hierarchies, neutrino masses);
- Lack of a Dark matter (**DM**) candidate;
- Hierarchy problem;
- $(g - 2)_\mu$ anomaly, R_{D,D^*} tension, matter/anti-matter asymmetry;
- Naive quantization of gravity leads to a non-renormalizable theory, etc;

A simple observation \implies **SM is not the ultimate theory**

Potential solution! → **Grand Unification ?**

At a high energy scale, all interactions are unified in a **single group**,

$$\mathcal{G}_U \subset \underbrace{\text{SU}(3)_C \times \text{SU}(2)_L \times \text{U}(1)_Y}_{\text{SM}}.$$

New physics emerges at low scales, at order of TeV:

- **Vector-like fermions:** Both quark and lepton types. $\text{SU}(2)_L$ does not distinguish chiralities;
- **Leptoquarks:** Direct consequence of quark-lepton unification;
- **Extended scalar sector:** New Higgs doublets and scalar singlets;
- **Right-handed neutrinos:** Majorana or Dirac type;

The story of SM is incomplete, **but we have not found anything new!** That means

- New physics is **heavy**, i.e., of the TeV-PeV order (or beyond);
- New physics is **weakly coupled to the SM**, i.e., low couplings;

As constraints on new physics become increasingly tighter, computational resources become more and more important.

We need

- **Powerful, reliable and proven** methods to deal with weak signals in the ocean of the SM background;
- The methods **must be comfortable** in dealing with **large** datasets.

Machine learning to the rescue !



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Phenomenology at the large hadron collider with deep learning: the case of vector-like quarks decaying to light jets

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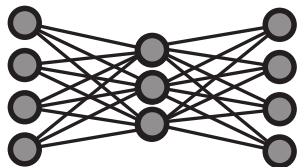
Deep Learning (DL) → Extracting high-level features from input data

Universal approximation theorem [Kurt Hornik, *Neural Networks*. 4 (2): 251–257]



Approximate any function, for an arbitrary number of layers!

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layer



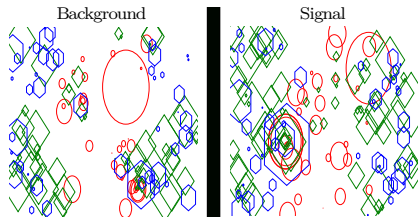
output
layer

hidden
layer

Detects small deviations in classes ⇒ Perfect for **classification tasks!**



(a) For cats and dogs



(b) For detector images

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initl = 'RandomNormal'
loss = 'binary_crossentropy'
metric = 'accuracy'
a1 = 1.e-7
a2 = 1.e-7
alp = 0.1
nb_classes = 5

def NN_model():
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    #Input layer
    nn = model.add(Dense(neurons, input_dim=X_train.shape[1], kernel_initializer=initl,
                        kernel_regularizer=regularizers.l1_l2(l1=a1, l2=a2)))
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- Number of neurons: **Arbitrary**;
- Activation functions: **10 +** in Keras (with tunable parameters);
- Initializers: **10 +** in Keras (with tunable parameters);
- ...


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A lot of free parameters to tune in architectural building



Calls for some optimization procedure → **Genetic algorithms!**

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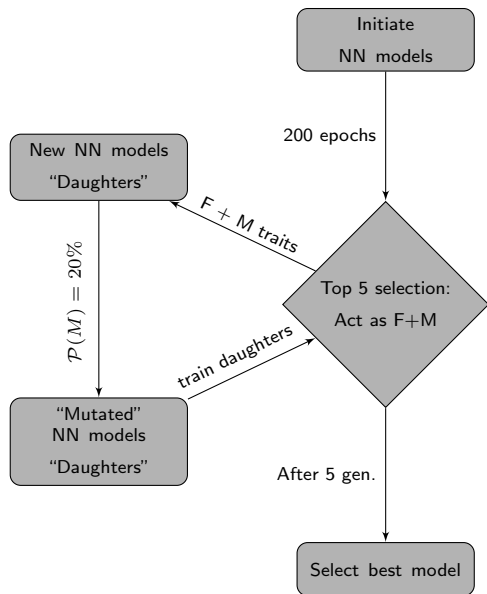
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Algorithm Felipe F. Freitas et. al JHEP 01 (2021) 076:

- Randomly generate N models, by pooling a list of hyper-parameters;
- Train: Top 5 models are used to breed daughter networks;
- Add mutation probability. Train daughters and iterate the cycle.

Nice **advantages**:

- Simplifies network construction. Simple way to find the best hyperparameters;
- Straightforward way to maximize distinct metrics.



The best neural model is chosen based on two distinct metrics

- Asimov significance defined as

$$\mathcal{Z}_A = \left[2 \left((s+b) \ln \left(\frac{(s+b)(b+\sigma_b^2)}{b^2 + (s+b)\sigma_b^2} \right) - \frac{b^2}{\sigma_b^2} \ln \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_b^2 s}{b(b+\sigma_b^2)} \right) \right) \right]^{1/2}$$

Loss function is defined as $L = 1/(\mathcal{Z}_A + \epsilon)$. ϵ regularizes the loss function.

[Adam Elwood and Dirk Krücker arXiv:1806.00322](#)

- Accuracy with binary cross-entropy loss function

$$L = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i \log(p_{\hat{y}_i}) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - p_{\hat{y}_i}),$$

with N being the number of points, y the ground truth label (0 if background and 1 if signal) and p_{y_i} the probability of being signal.

Contrary to what you may think, building neural networks is the easy part → **Data representation** is the part where the most careful considerations are taken

- Represent data as **numerical tabular sets** [Felipe F. Freitas et. al JHEP 01 \(2021\) 076](#). Most straightforward;
- **Jet Images:** Associate energy deposited in the calorimeter with a pixel in the (η, ϕ) plane [Luke de Oliveira et. al JHEP 07 \(2016\) 069](#);
- **Graph representation:** Map path of charged particles into a graph [Xiangyang Ju et.al NeurIPS 2019](#). Particle cloud representation [Huilin Qu and Loukas Gouskos Phys.Rev.D 101 \(2020\) 5, 056019](#).

In this presentation I will only focus on models whose data is represented by numerical and image data.



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At the low energy limit, this framework results in 2 new **VLQs** at TeV scale.

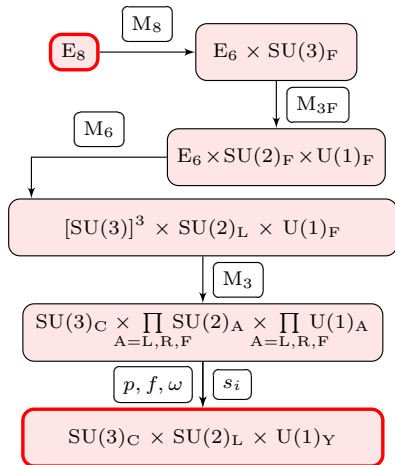
3 generations of **VLLs** with two distinct scenarios

- Two light states ($m < 1$ TeV) and one heavy state ($m > 1$ TeV);
- One light state and two heavy states.

A total of 15 **neutrino states**

- 9 $SU(2)_L$ doublets (6 BSM and 3 SM-like);
- 6 $SU(2)_L$ singlets (all BSM).

The framework allows for the existence of sterile neutrinos (in the keV-MeV range).



Prospects for New Physics from gauge Left-Right-Colour-Family Grand Unification. António P. Morais, Roman Pasechnik, Werner Porod, *Eur.Phys.J.C* 80 (2020) 12, 1162;

Phenomenology of vector-like leptons with Deep Learning at the Large Hadron Collider. J. Gonçalves, Felipe F. Freitas, António P. Morais, Roman Pasechnik. doi: 10.1007/JHEP01(2021)076

Vector-like leptons (VLLs) \rightarrow Both left and right-handed components transform identically under $SU(2)_L$.

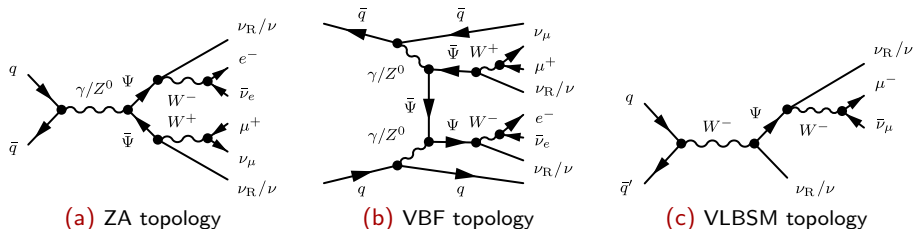
It is a common prediction from E_8 GUT models

- Either at a low-scale ($\Lambda_{\text{GUT}} \sim 10^9$ GeV) [[Alfredo Aranda et. al arXiv:2107.05495](#)];
- Or at a high-scale one ($\Lambda_{\text{GUT}} \sim 10^{16}$ GeV) [[António P. Morais et. al Eur.Phys.J.C 80 \(2020\) 12, 1162](#)].

Mass generated at loop-level after SUSY breaking. Masses go from hundreds of GeV to the low TeV scale.

Limited constraints [[CMS Collaboration Phys. Rev. D 100, 052003 \(2019\)](#)], [[L3 Collaboration Phys.Lett.B517:75-85,2001](#)]. Masses greater than 100.8 GeV. If it couples exclusively to the tau, exclusion goes to 790 GeV.

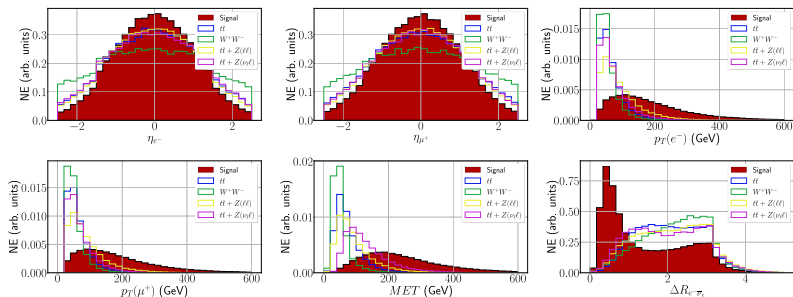
Single and pair-production topologies at the LHC. ν_R in the keV range and acts as missing energy.



For simplicity, we consider flavour opposite final states. Event selection via simple cuts:

- ① Charged leptons with $p_T > 25$ GeV and $|\eta| \leq 5$;
- ② Missing transverse energy $\cancel{E}_T > 15$ GeV;
- ③ Jets: $\Delta R = 1.0$, $p_T > 35$ GeV and $|\eta| \leq 5$.

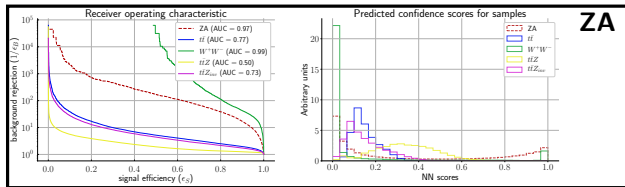
Event generation flow: SARAH \rightarrow MadGraph \rightarrow Pythia8 \rightarrow Delphes \rightarrow ROOT.



Feed the neural net high-level kinematics (mass distributions, pseudorapidity, transverse momentum, etc) for signal/background topologies.

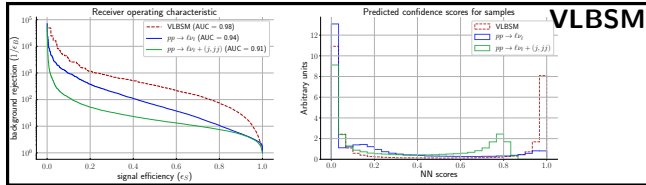
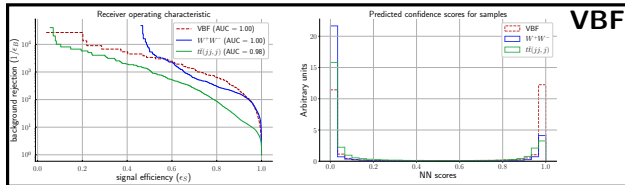
Some cuts may be imposed to reduce backgrounds → **Unbalanced datasets!**

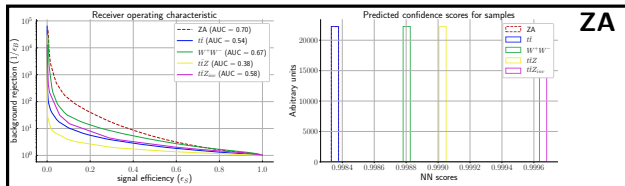
- Generate more Monte-Carlo: **Computational inefficient**;
- Oversample minority classes (e.g. SMOTE algorithm [N. V. Chawla et. al JAIR: Vol 16, Issue 1, Jan. 2002](#));
- Associate weights with events [[J, Byrd and Z. C. Lipton arXiv: 1812.03372](#)].



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Mass: 677 GeV

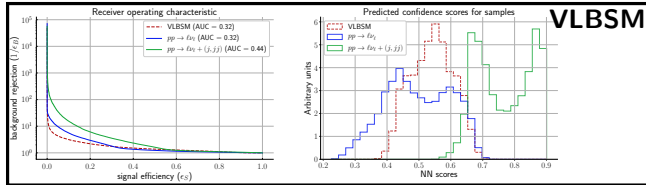
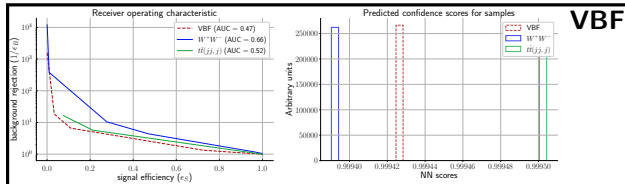
The selected architectures are capable of separating signal events from background with efficiencies **greater than 90%**.

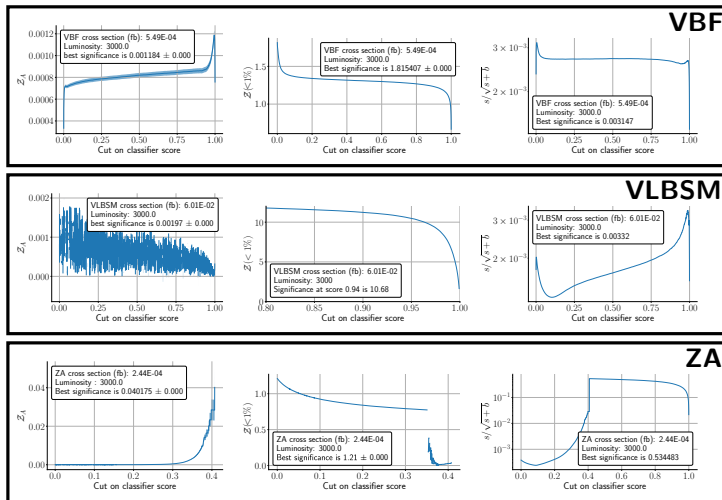




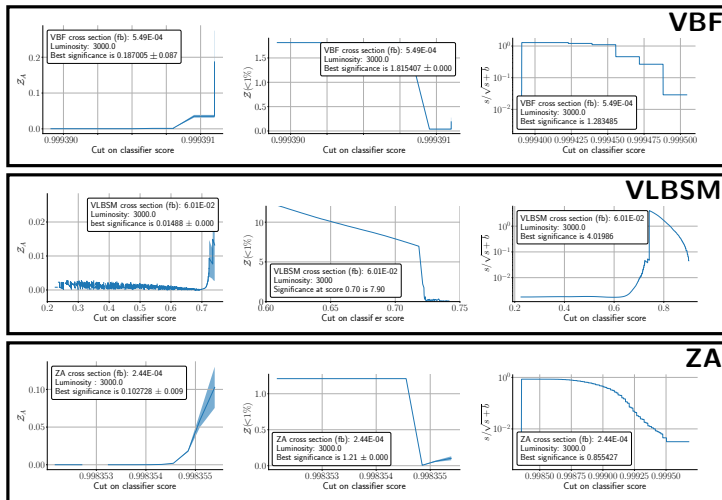
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Models with the Asimov significance as a loss function result in networks with lower accuracy.





$$\boxed{Z_A} : \sigma_C = 0.04\sigma, \quad \boxed{Z(< 1\%)} : 13.71\sigma, \quad \boxed{s/\sqrt{s+b}} : \sigma_C = 0.55\sigma.$$



$$\boxed{Z_A} : \sigma_C = 0.33\sigma, \quad \boxed{Z(<1\%)} : 10.93\sigma, \quad \boxed{s/\sqrt{s+b}} : \sigma_C = 6.16\sigma.$$

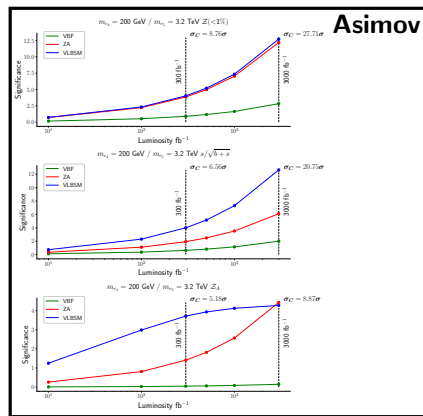
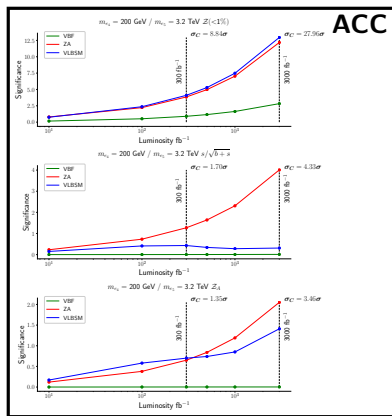
| Mass of e_4 | $s/\sqrt{s+b}$ | | | $\mathcal{Z}(< 1\%)$ | | | \mathcal{Z}_A | | |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | ZA | VBF | VLBSM | ZA | VBF | VLBSM | ZA | VBF | VLBSM |
| 200 GeV | 4.01 | 9.4×10^{-3} | 0.31 | 12.18 | 2.83 | 12.95 | 2.05 | 2.47×10^{-3} | 1.41 |
| 486 GeV | 0.95 | 1.51 | 6.66×10^{-3} | 2.59 | 2.13 | 7.83 | 0.12 | 4.6×10^{-4} | 2.15×10^{-4} |
| 677 GeV | 0.53 | 3.15×10^{-3} | 3.32×10^{-3} | 1.21 | 1.82 | 10.68 | 0.040 | 1.18×10^{-3} | 1.97×10^{-3} |
| 868 GeV | 0.26 | 0.93 | 6.18×10^{-4} | 0.52 | 1.32 | 6.60 | 0.01 | 0.30 | 2.47×10^{-4} |
| 1250 GeV | 0.05 | 4.37×10^{-4} | 1.20×10^{-4} | 0.17 | 0.59 | 4.90 | 4.28×10^{-4} | 2.05×10^{-4} | 2.65×10^{-3} |

Table: Accuracy metric for $\mathcal{L} = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$.

| Mass of e_4 | $s/\sqrt{s+b}$ | | | $\mathcal{Z}(< 1\%)$ | | | \mathcal{Z}_A | | |
|---------------|----------------|------|-------|----------------------|------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|
| | ZA | VBF | VLBSM | ZA | VBF | VLBSM | ZA | VBF | VLBSM |
| 200 GeV | 6.10 | 2.00 | 12.65 | 12.18 | 2.83 | 12.70 | 4.44 | 0.145 | 4.28 |
| 486 GeV | 1.77 | 1.50 | 11.26 | 2.60 | 2.13 | 8.62 | 0.30 | 0.53 | 0.20 |
| 677 GeV | 0.86 | 1.28 | 4.02 | 1.21 | 1.82 | 7.90 | 0.11 | 0.187 | 0.015 |

Table: Asimov metric for $\mathcal{L} = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$.

- Heavy states ($m > 1 \text{ TeV}$) have reduced significance. Still above 5σ ;
- Light states should have a strong presence at HL-LHC ($\mathcal{Z}(< 1\%) = 27.86\sigma$ @ 200 GeV);
- We have higher significance for Asimov metric genetic algorithm.



- Significance as a function of luminosity. $300 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow \text{Run-III}$;
- Utilizing the Asimov metric in the genetic algorithm, we can already obtain results above 5σ **for all three metrics**. We can **already probe them** at run-III of the LHC.


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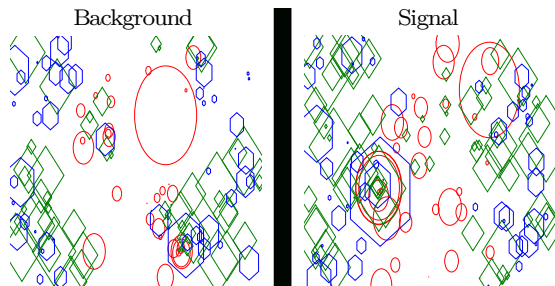
- Inspired by the GUT model [António P. Morais et.al Eur.Phys.J.C 80 \(2020\) 12, 1162](#); [Felipe F. Freitas et. al JHEP 01 \(2021\) 076](#):

$$\mathcal{L}_y = (Y^a)_{iJ} (\bar{Q}_L)^i (D_R)^J \phi_a + (\Gamma^a)_{ij} (\bar{Q}_L)^i (d_R)^j \phi_a + (\Delta^a)_{ij} (\bar{Q}_L)^i (u_R)^j \tilde{\phi}_a + (\Pi^a)_{ij} (\bar{L})^i (e_R)^j \phi_a + \text{h.c. .}$$

- 2 generations** of down-type VLQs. Masses are predicted to be around the TeV scale [António P. Morais et.al Eur.Phys.J.C 80 \(2020\) 12, 1162](#);
- Extended CKM mixing

$$V_{\text{CKM}} = U_L^u \cdot P \cdot (U_L^d)^\dagger = \left(V_{\text{CKM}}^{\text{SM}} \quad V_{\text{CKM}}^{\text{VLQs}} \right),$$

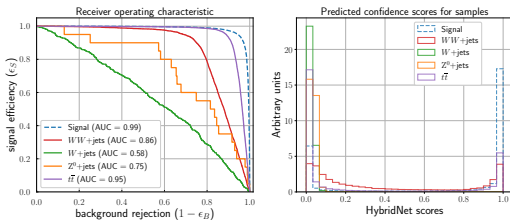
Focus on benchmarks where VLQ couples with **1st/2nd** generation quarks.



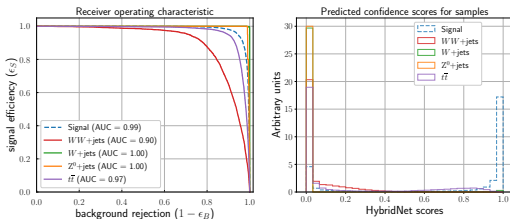
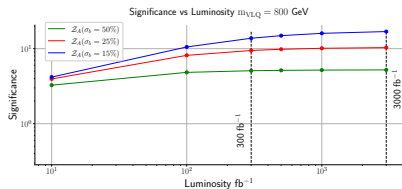
New physics at TeV order \rightarrow Highly boosted decay products that needs to be separated from multijet background at hadron colliders;

Jet Images: Associate energy deposited in the calorimeter with a pixel in the (η, ϕ) plane [Luke de Oliveira et. al JHEP 07 (2016) 069].

- Enhance classification with **jet kinematics** (multiplicity, mass, $\Delta R, \dots$);
- **Abstract Images:** Richer substructure;
- We have obtained efficiencies **greater** than only using kinematic data [Felipe F. Freitas et. al EPJC 82, 826 (2022)].



(d) Kinematic



(e) Kinematic + Abstract Images

- 1 Focusing on VLQ signatures for decays into light jets.
- 2 Use of **Abstract Images** heavily improves the **accuracy** of the neural network
- 3 Can exclude VLQs at the high-luminosity/run-III phase of the LHC, even for systematics of **50% !**

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Model used in this work first introduced in [Pedro M. Ferreira et al. arXiv:2202.13153].
 2HDM + singlet with a non-trivial $U(1)'$ flavour symmetry. Yukawa Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned}
 -\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = & \overline{q}_L^0 \Gamma_a \Phi^a d_R^0 + \overline{q}_L^0 \Delta_a \tilde{\Phi}^a u_R^0 + \text{H.c.} + \overline{\ell}_L^0 \Pi_a \Phi^a e_R^0 + \overline{\ell}_L^0 \Sigma_a \tilde{\Phi}^a \nu_R \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \overline{\nu}_R^c (A + BS + CS^*) \nu_R + \text{H.c.},
 \end{aligned}$$

Scalar potential:

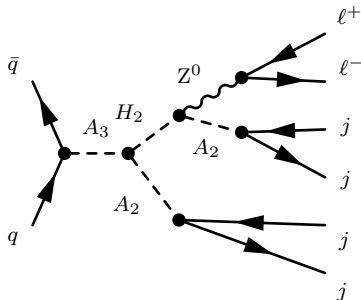
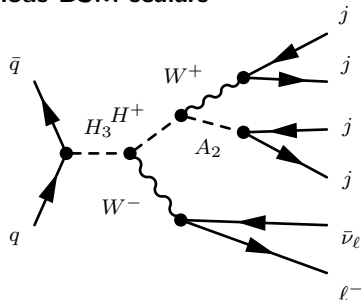
$$\begin{aligned}
 V_0 = & \mu_a^2 |\Phi^a|^2 + \lambda_a |\Phi^a|^4 + \lambda_3 |\Phi_1|^2 |\Phi_2|^2 + \lambda_4 |\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2|^2 + \mu_S^2 |S|^2 + \lambda'_1 |S|^4 \\
 & + \lambda'_2 |\Phi_1|^2 |S|^2 + \lambda'_3 |\Phi_2|^2 |S|^2 \quad (a = 1, 2), \\
 V_1 = & \mu_3^2 \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1 + \frac{1}{2} \mu_b^2 S^2 + a_1 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 S + a_2 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 S^\dagger + a_3 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 S^2 + \text{H.c.},
 \end{aligned}$$

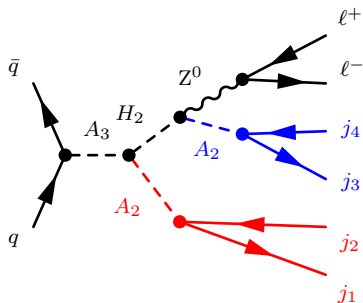
Once the fields develop VEVs, we have **3 CP-even states** (h, H_2, H_3), **2 CP-odd states** (A_2, A_3) and a **singly charged scalar** (H^\pm).

In general (**with some exceptions!**), most searches focus on BSM Higgs decays to heavy SM states

- Limited searches for decays into **1st/2nd gen.** chiral quarks
- Charged Higgs primarily probed in the tbH^\pm vertex
- Limited searches for decays involving **multiple BSM Higgs**.

Additional parameter space can be probed in more complex final states, involving **various BSM scalars**





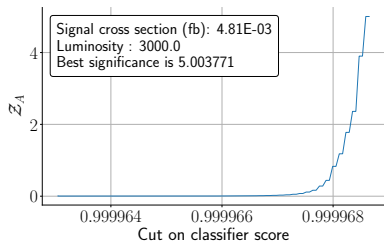
- Mass information can be used to match pairs of jets to original scalar fields;
- $\Delta M = M(j_1, j_2) - M(j_3, j_4) < \varepsilon$:
 - **Signal**: small ε ;
 - **Background**: Arbitrary ε ;
- Loop over all possible combinations of jets and select the pairs with smallest ε .

Match jets to H_2 scalar: $\min(|M(j_n, j_m) - M(Z^0) - M(H_2)|)$

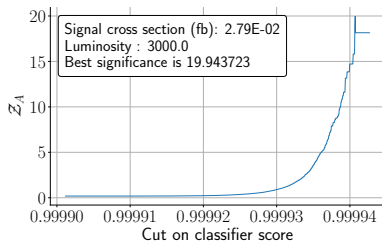
If the minimum is for pair (j_3, j_4) , then this is matched to the **blue leg** and the pair (j_1, j_2) is matched to the **red leg**.

Since ε is expected to be arbitrary, the matching procedure can help reduce backgrounds for small values of ε .

$$M(j) > 10 \text{ GeV and } \Delta M < 35 \text{ GeV}$$



(a) $M_{A_2} = 215 \text{ GeV} / M_{H_2} = 400 \text{ GeV}$



(b) $M_{A_2} = 300 \text{ GeV} / M_{H_2} = 600 \text{ GeV}$

Relaxed constraints on jet mass distributions increases the significance. Particularly helpful for lower mass scalar fields. Still, **high cuts** on data for optimal results.

To summarize . . .

- I discuss have discussed how **Deep learning** algorithms can be used in collider phenomenology of generic BSM models;
- I shown these tools in action for various BSM models, including models with **vector-like fermions** and **neutral scalars**;
- For optimization of neural networks, I have presented a **genetic algorithm** that best maximize the statistical significance;
- In principle, the process itself is **model-independent**, in the sense that the neural models are agnostic to the BSM details. They only need the data.

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Thank you for your attention



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