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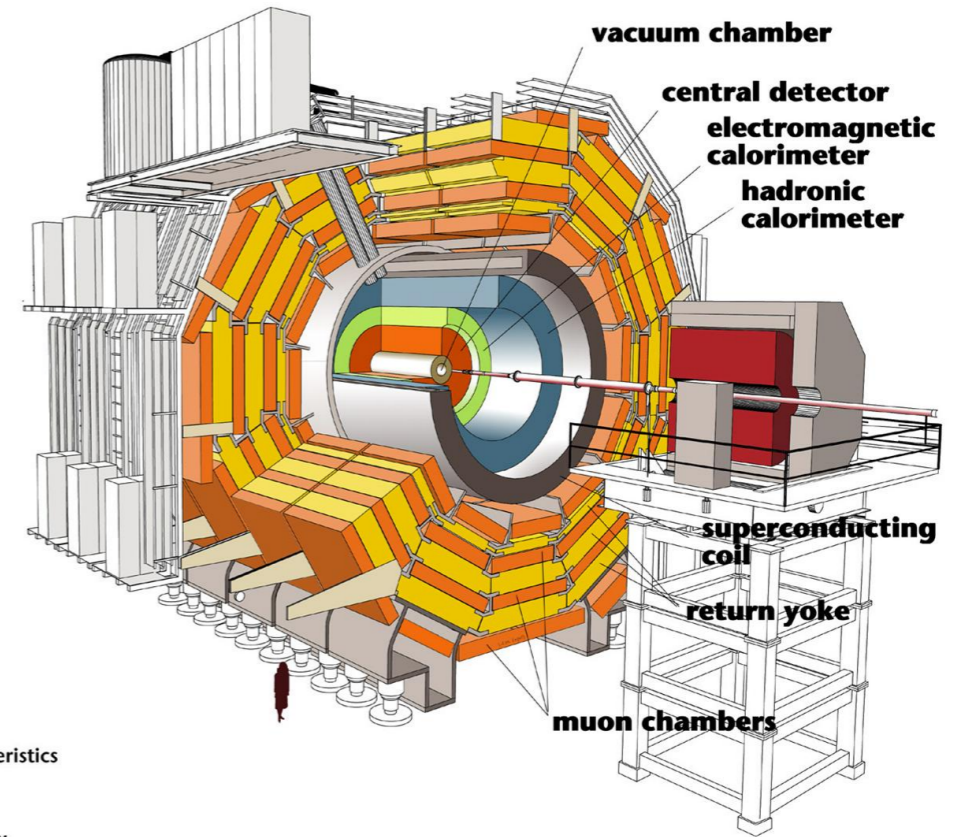
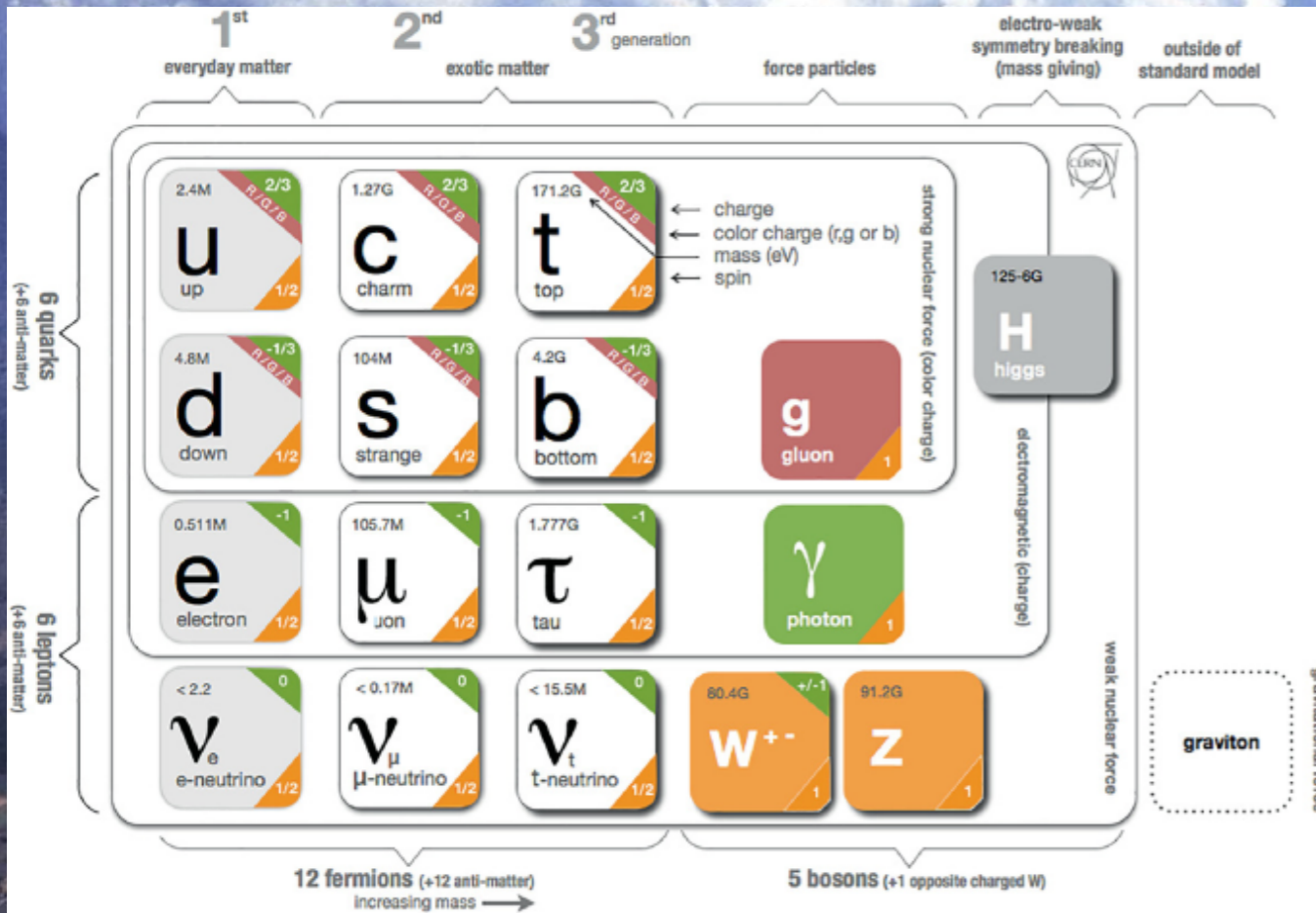
Application of Machine Learning Techniques in HEP experiments

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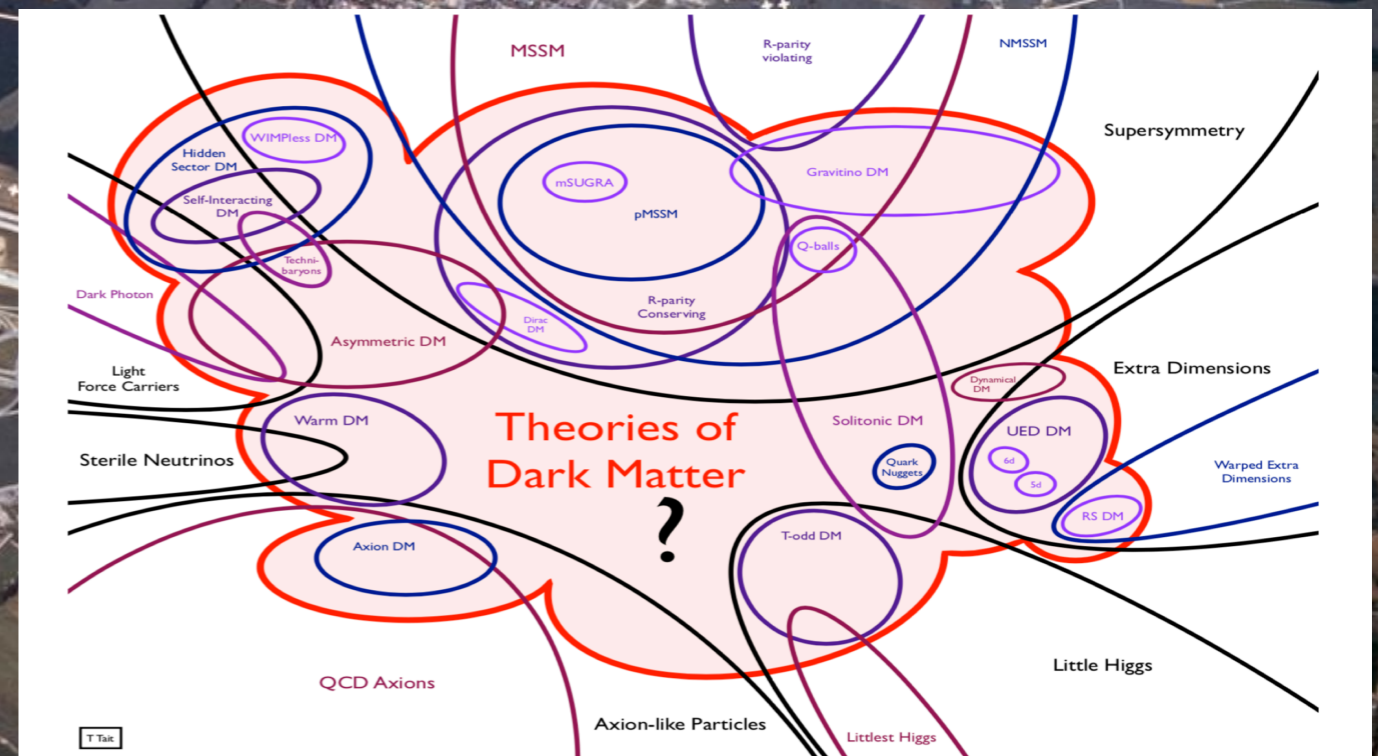
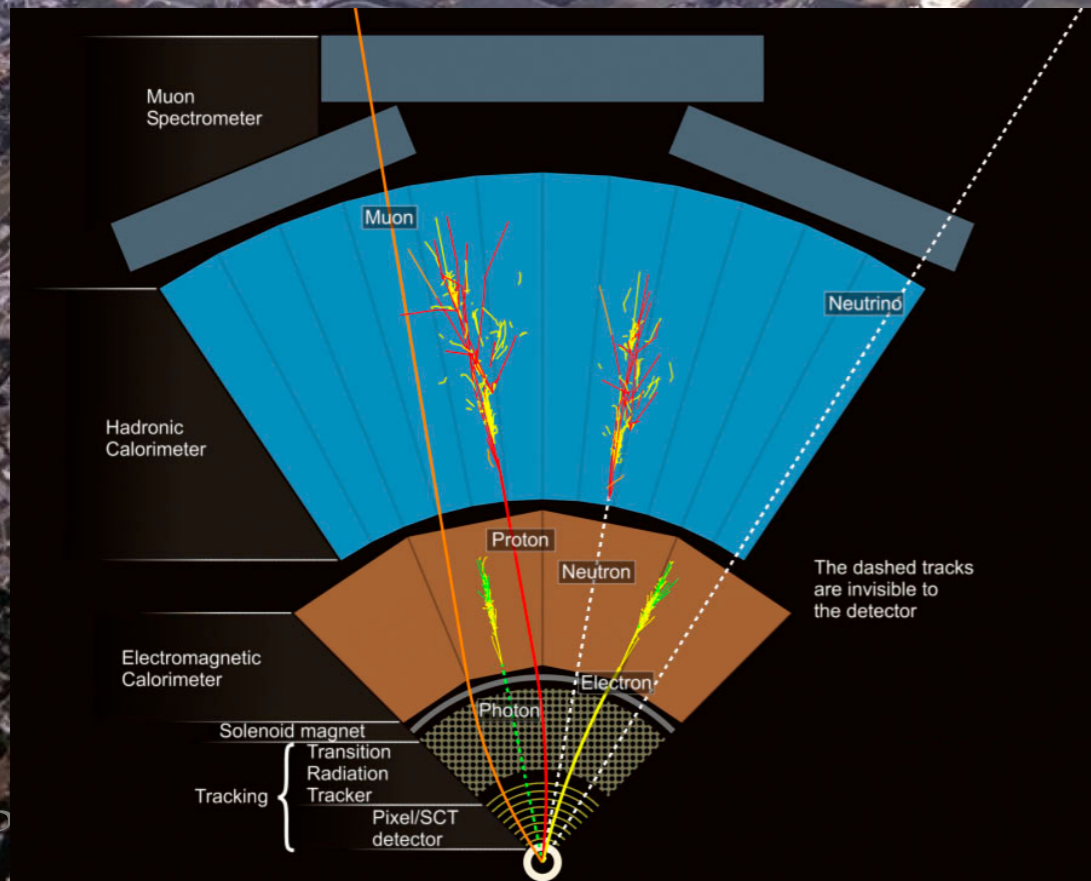


# SEARCH AT LARGE HADRON COLLIDER (LHC)



Detector characteristics

Width: 22m  
Diameter: 15m  
Weight: 14'500t





# MACHINE LEARNING

## RELEVANCE

- With around 40 MHz bunch crossing LHC taking ~ 40 million snaps/s
- Each snapshot encounter large no of particles  
compounding  $\sim 10^8$  sensors at different parts of detector
- ML takes role from low level reconstruction, identification, underlying event mitigation to high level identification, extraction, classification and anomaly detection
- Crucial roles in
  - (i) Data reduction in real time - triggers
  - (ii) Anomaly detection
  - (iii) Fast accurate reconstruction, identification with multi-sensor data
  - (iv) Improvements in classification, regression, statistical analysis



# MACHINE LEARNING

## FOR HEP COMMUNITY

- Machine learning is not new for HEP community
- Used in low to high level experimental measurements with track finding, calorimeter hit reconstruction, particle identification, energy/momenta reco
- Multi Variate Analysis (MVA) & Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) used extensively on high level variables with primary focus as Classifier
  - **Significant contribution in Higgs discovery**
- I focus from the viewpoint of the emergence of modern deep learning era that greatly outperformed the previous state of arts in last one decade or so
- Driving forces -
  - **Advent of graphics processor units (GPU) + Increased computing power**
  - **Large available data + Development of advanced ML architectures**



# MACHINE LEARNING

## AND .. GOING DEEPER

- Classification: Find faint signal against a large background
- Move into higher dimensional space —
  - ☑ Multivariate analysis with High Level Variables
  - ☑ Low Level Variables from detectors (number of dimensions very large)
- Find the Division Boundary in this higher dimensional space
  - Best possible [under-fitting?] but Trustworthy [over-fitting?] way
- Neural Networks based on interconnected nodes in layered structure
  - In analogy with brain neurones
  - Connects different input/ derived data
  - Involve free parameters (weight and bias) [inductive bias?]
  - Optimise “free parameters” using labeled data [Model]



# MACHINE LEARNING

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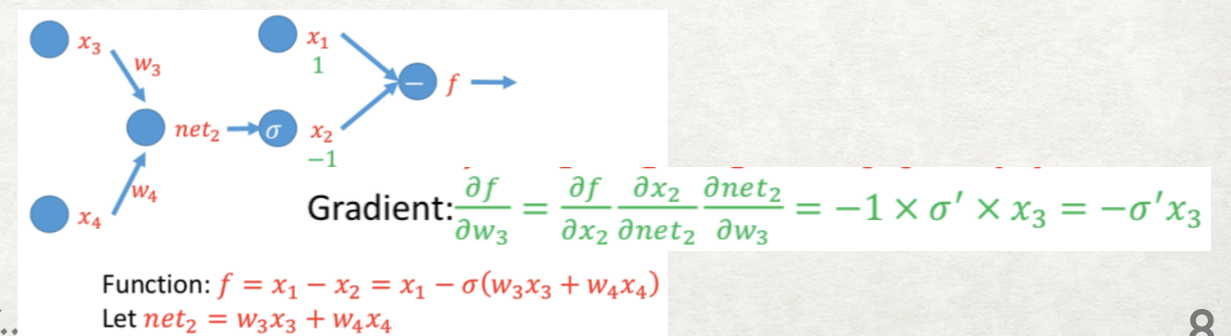
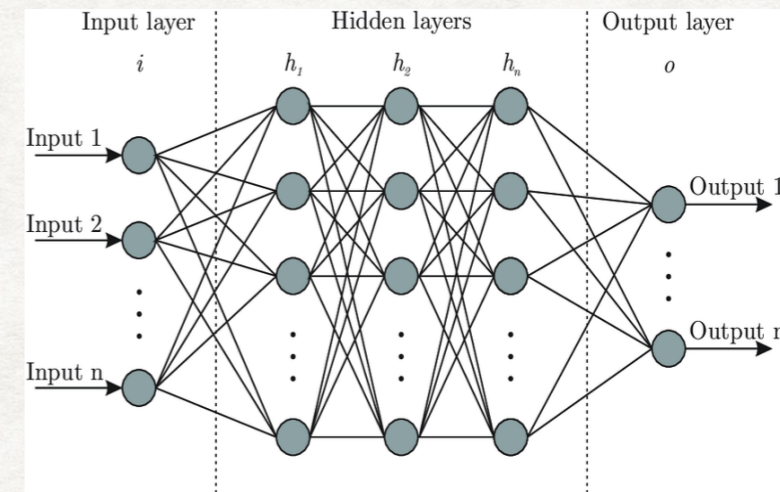
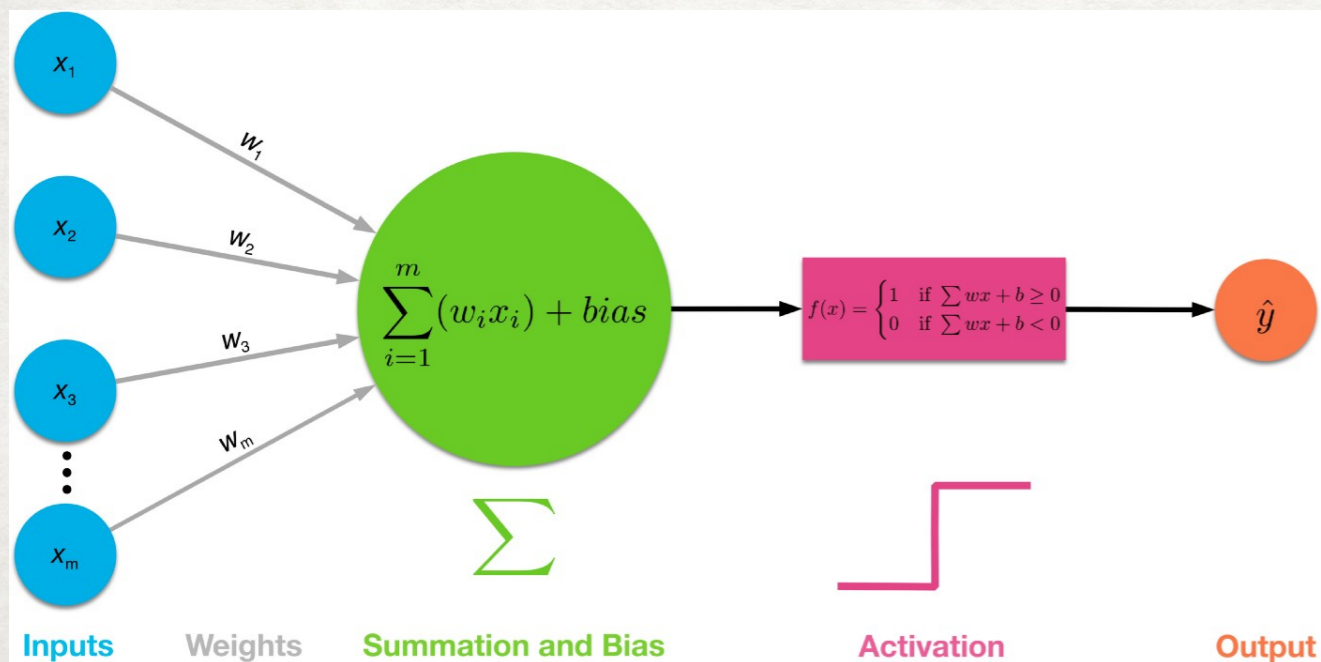
- **Universal function approximation:** NN with a single hidden layer can approximate any continuous function to any desired precision!
- Deep learning models with multiple hidden layers solves the need for infinitely large no of nodes in shallow NN
- Learning scalable with data - larger data for better performance
- Deep learning models are now capable of **extracting feature directly from low level data**
  - End for physics intuitive high level variables from domain experts?



# ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORK

(ANN)

- Search for a function  $f(\vec{x}, w) : X \rightarrow h_1 \cdots \rightarrow h_i \rightarrow h_{i+1} \cdots \rightarrow h_n \rightarrow Y$   
 $X$  : Input/obs. space;  $Y$ : Target space [low- dimensional space]  
 Optimize loss function  $\mathcal{L}[y - f_w(x)]$ ;  $w$  - tunable parameters
- During training, trainable *weight* parameters ( $w$ ) are *learned* by the back-propagation whose aim is to minimize the loss function.



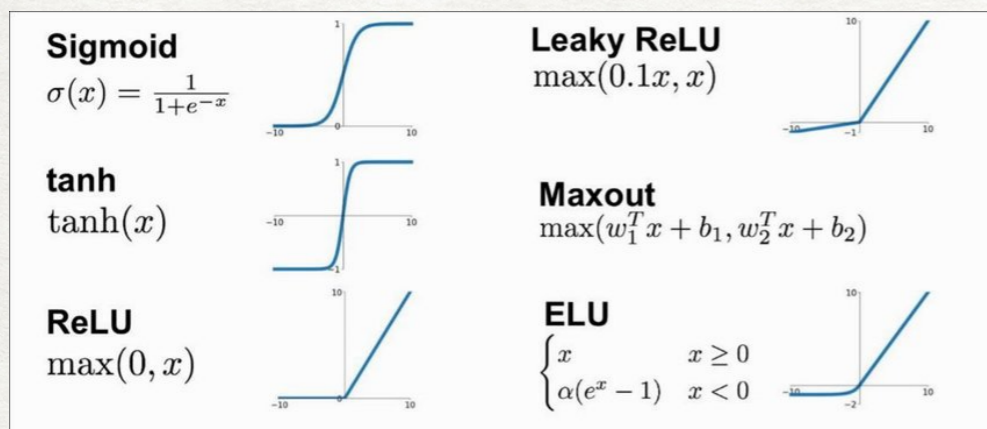


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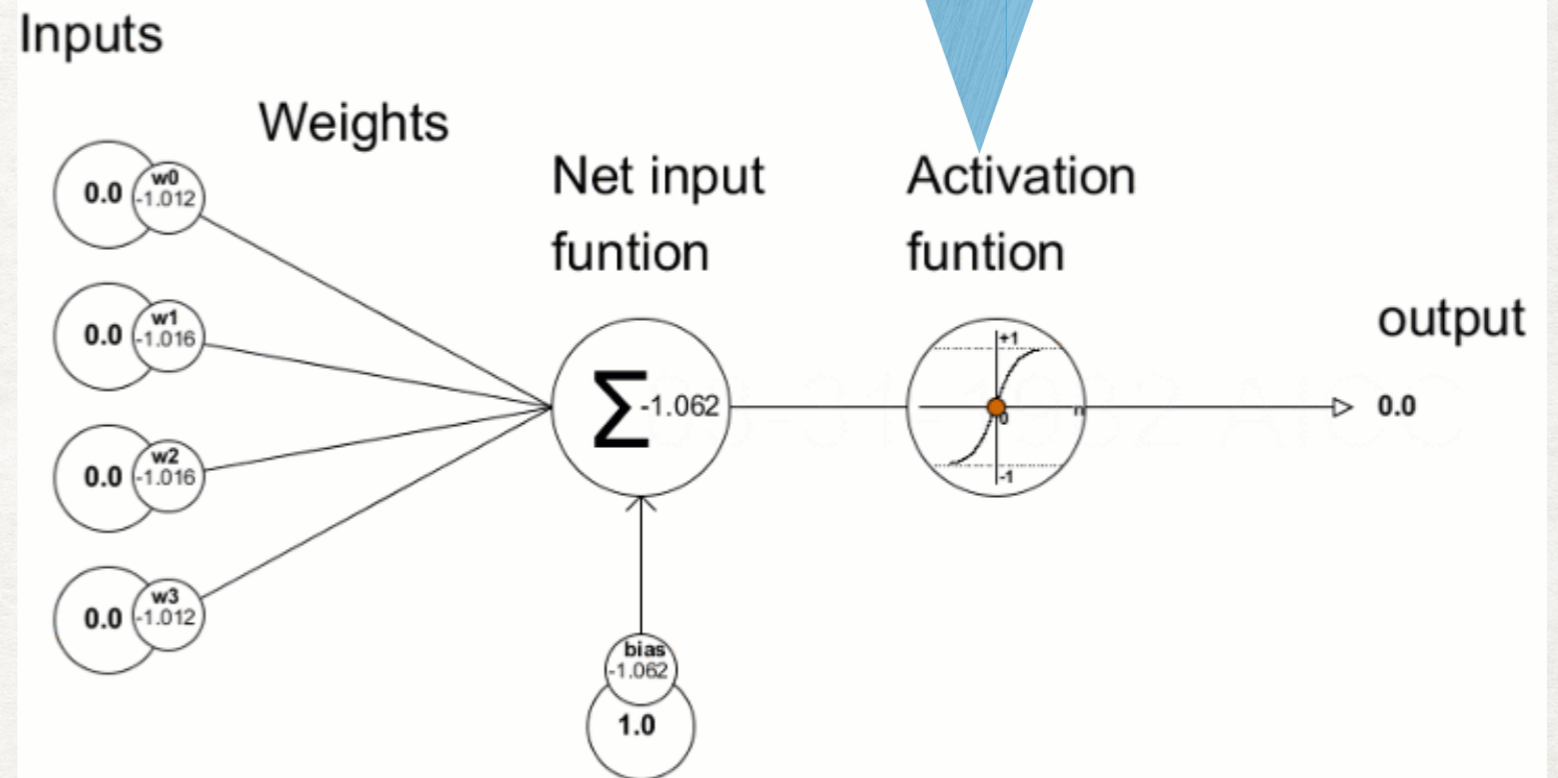
(ANN)

$$h_{i+1} = \sum_i w_i h_i + b_i = w^T h$$

Activation/response:  $\sigma(w^T h)$   
 <ReLU, sigmoid, tanh..>



Introduce non-linearities  
 + converts output to Probabilities

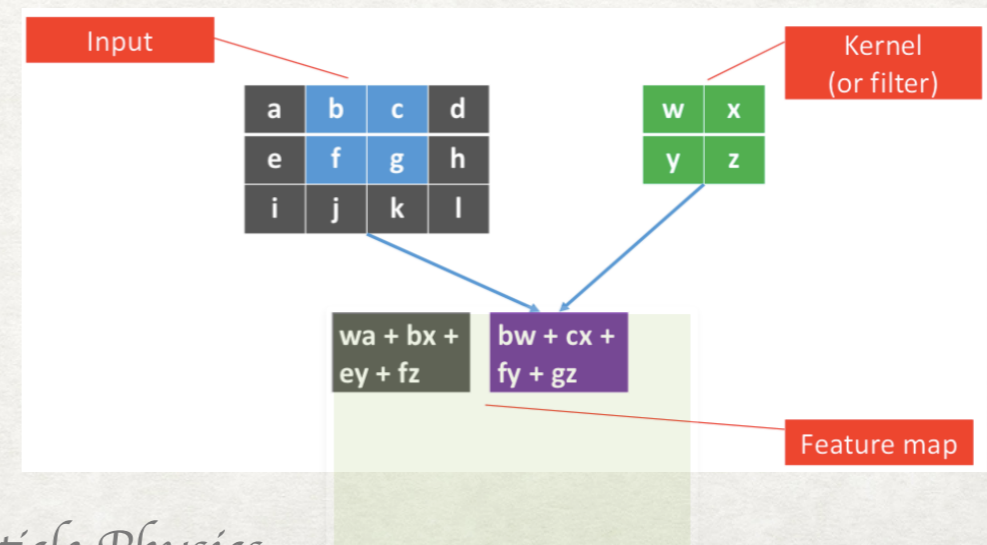


Loss/Cost fn :  $\mathcal{L}[y - f_w(x)]$  [Mean Squared Error, Cross-Entropy/logarithmic loss]  
 so that [gradient descent]  $\nabla_w \mathcal{L}[y - f_w(x)] \rightarrow 0$



# CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK (CNN)

- Most significant innovation in DNN - Image processing
- **Convolution architecture** rely on **local** and **global** features with **translation invariance**
- Inductive biases based on locality and weight sharing
- Image pixels are convoluted with no. of kernel/filter " $k_j$ "  
$$x_{i+1} = \sigma(wh + b) \quad \rightarrow \quad h_{i,j} = \sigma(k_j \cdot h_i + b_j)$$
- **Sharing same weights** passing through full image  
=> reduce tunable parameters drastically  
=> translational symmetry on the network
- **Algorithm first learn edges and shapes**  
-> more **complex local features**  
-> leads to **global features**

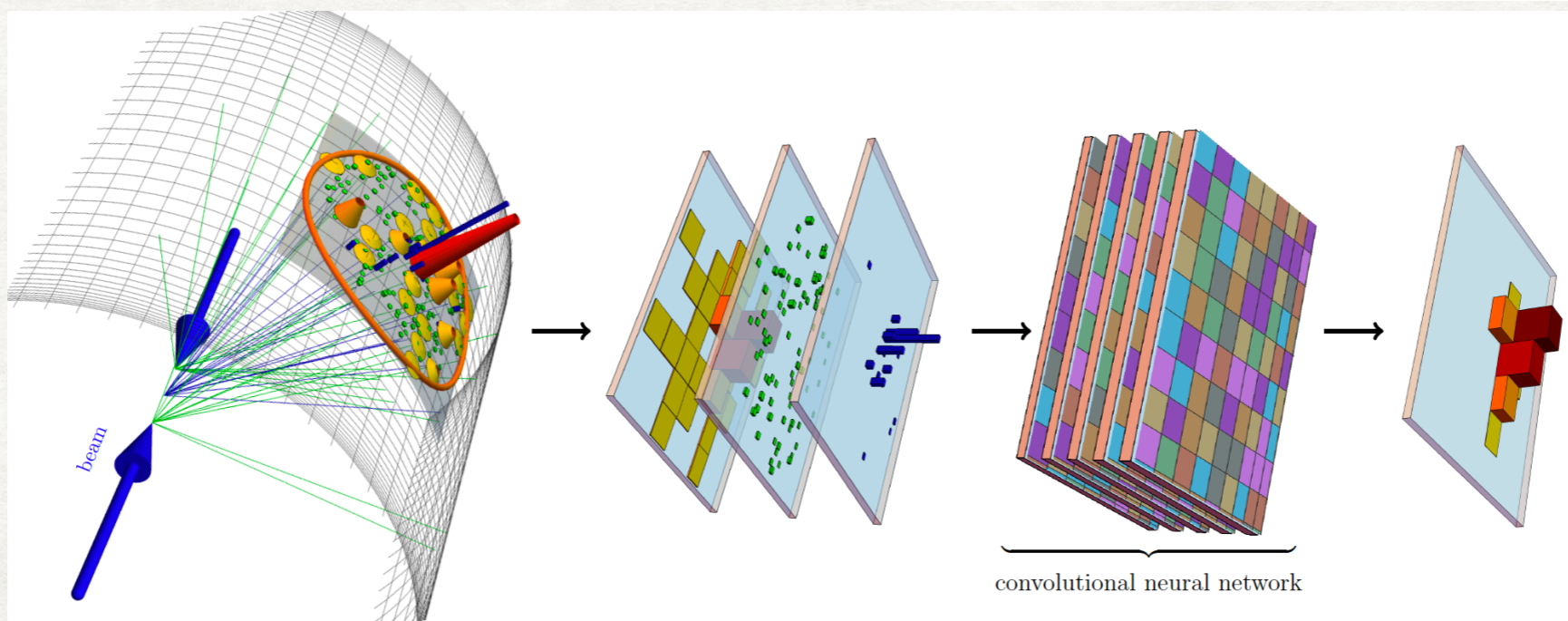
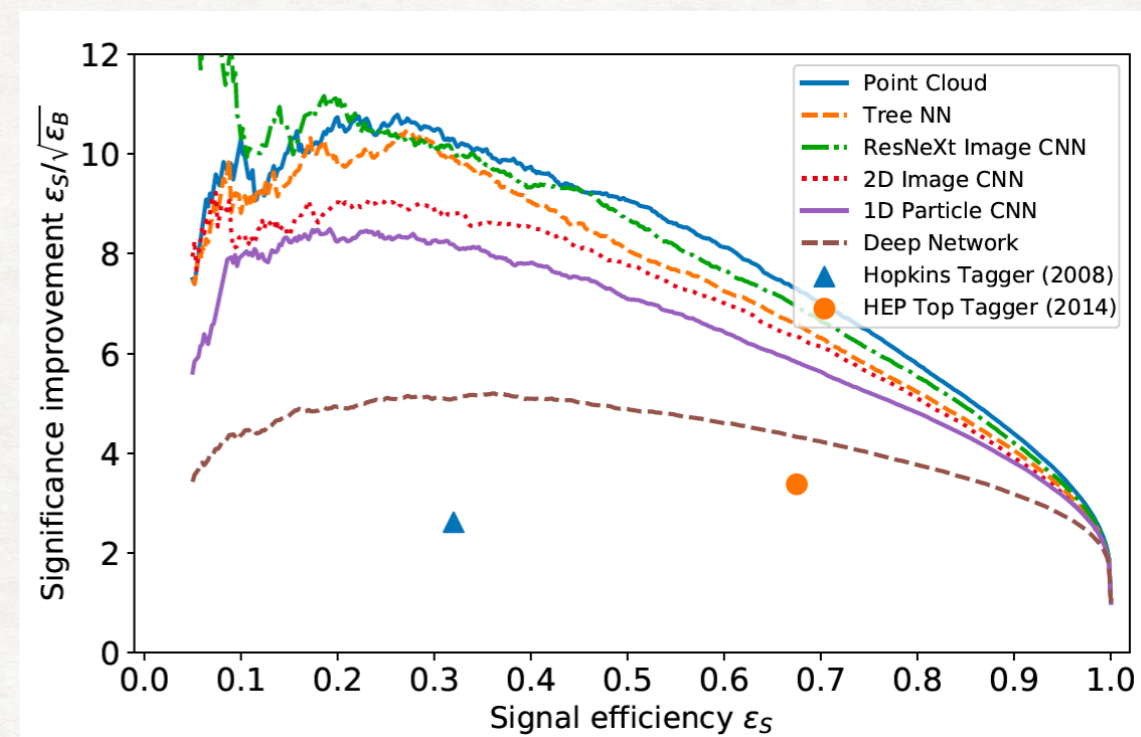




# CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK

## WORKING PRINCIPLE AT LHC DATA

- Detectors calorimeter tower => pixels of an image
- Powerful image classification network proved to be extremely successful in jet-substructure studies





# DEEP MACHINE LEARNING

## CATEGORY

Strategy — Representations — Targets / tagging — strategies

Classification

- Jet Image
- Event Image
- Sequence (Recurrent NN)
- Graph (Graph NN)
- Sets (Point cloud - Graph)

- Quarks vs gluons
- Boosted H / W / Z / Top tag
- New particles and models
- Particle tagging at detector
- Neutrino flavour

- Weak/ Semi/ Un-supervised
- Reinforcement Learning
- Quantum Machine Learn
- Feature Ranking
- Optimal Transport

Regression

- Parameter estimation
- Pileup mitigation
- Parton Distribution Func
- Symbolic Regression
- Function Approximation

Generative models

- GANs
- Autoencoders
- Phase space generation
- Normalizing flows

Anomaly detection

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1. High- $Q^2$  Scattering

2. Parton Shower

1. High  $\sim$

2. Parton Shower

Parton Shower

HEP EVENTS

1. High- $Q^2$  Scattering

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JETS

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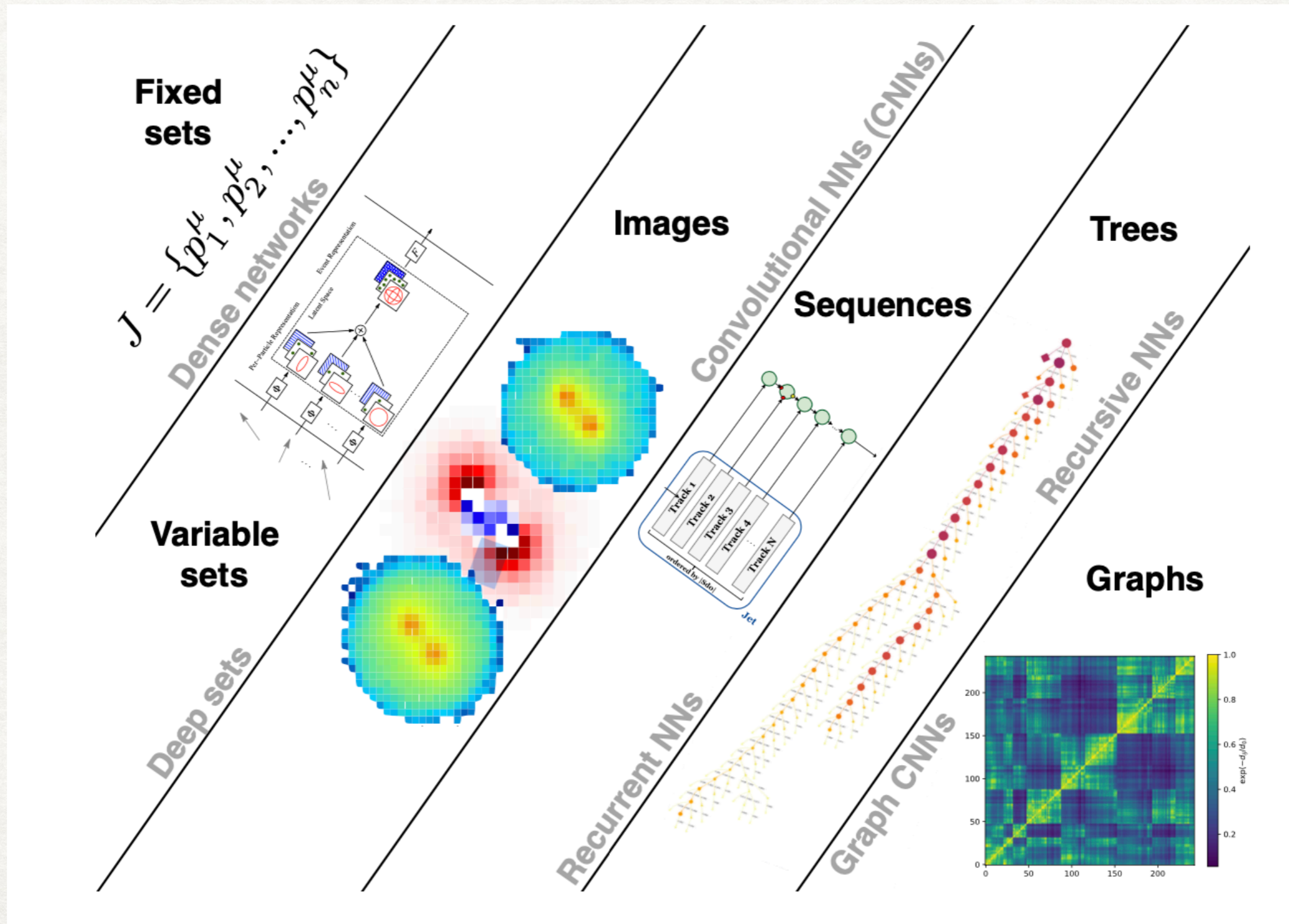
# REPRESENTATION OF DATA

- ◉ QCD Jets have a rich & complex structure - perfect playing field
- ◉ How related to the first principles in Quantum Chromodynamics?
- ◉ No unique way for encoding radiation pattern into a particular data structure
- ★ Set of one-dimensional physically-motivated observables [e.g. Gallicchio, Schwartz 2011]
- ✦ Jets as images - pixelated grayscale image. intensity  $\sim$  energy (or PT) of all particles that deposited energy in a particular location [e.g 1603.09349, 1407.5675]
- ✦ Include additional layers ('RGB') to encode more information such as charge-energy versus neutral-energy
- \* jet clustering history as an image that mimics the QCD splitting function [Lund Jet Plane - 2018]
- ◉ Constituents as a **sequence** - clustering history as input [e.g. 1702.00748, 1711.02633]
- ◉ jet as a graph - nodes and edges in point cloud : node property & connection strength between the various nodes of the graph. [Deep sets:1810.05165 ]



# JET REPRESENTATION

JET DATA - IMAGES, SEQUENCES AND SETS





# INFRA-RED AND COLLINEAR (IRC)

Any QCD jet observable should be

- sensitive to the physics you want to probe
- calculable from first principles in Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

- Kinoshita-Lee-Nauenberg (KLM) theorem: Divergences exactly cancel between the real and virtual contributions to the observable at each perturbative order when the soft and collinear regions of phase space are inclusively summed over.
- IRC safety ensures that the phase space restrictions that the measured value of an observable imposes do not disrupt this cancellation [Sterman and Weinberg]
- IRC safe Jet mass & thrust observable [early beginning of jet sub-structure]
- Catani et al (CTTW) large log resummed jet substructure observable
- ◆ High-energy partons lead to collimated bunches of hadrons
- ◆ jet definition: project from large no of hadrons => few parton-like objects
- ◆ Provide link between experimental observables and the theoretical construction
- ◆ Def of jet must be invariant with respect to certain modifications of the event
- ◆ -> collinear splitting      -> infrared emission
- ◆ Effort went into constructing IRC safe jet : Sequential recombination in KT, Anti-KT



# INFRA-RED AND COLLINEAR (IRC)

## SAFE OBSERVABLES

*Set of hard jets in a event should remain unchanged*

*— under a collinear splitting or addition of soft emission*

For an observable  $\mathcal{O}_n$  defined on  $n$  particles.

$$\mathcal{O}_{n+1}(p_a, \dots, p_b, p_r, p_s, p_c, \dots) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_n(p_a, \dots, p_b, p_q, p_c, \dots)$$

In the infra-red ( $z_r \rightarrow 0$  or  $z_s \rightarrow 0$ ) or collinear limits ( $\Delta_{rs} \rightarrow 0$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For a splitting: } q &\rightarrow r + s & p_q &= (z_q, \hat{p}_q) \\ & & p_r &= (z_r, \hat{p}_r) \\ p_q &= p_r + p_s & p_s &= (z_s, \hat{p}_s) \end{aligned}$$

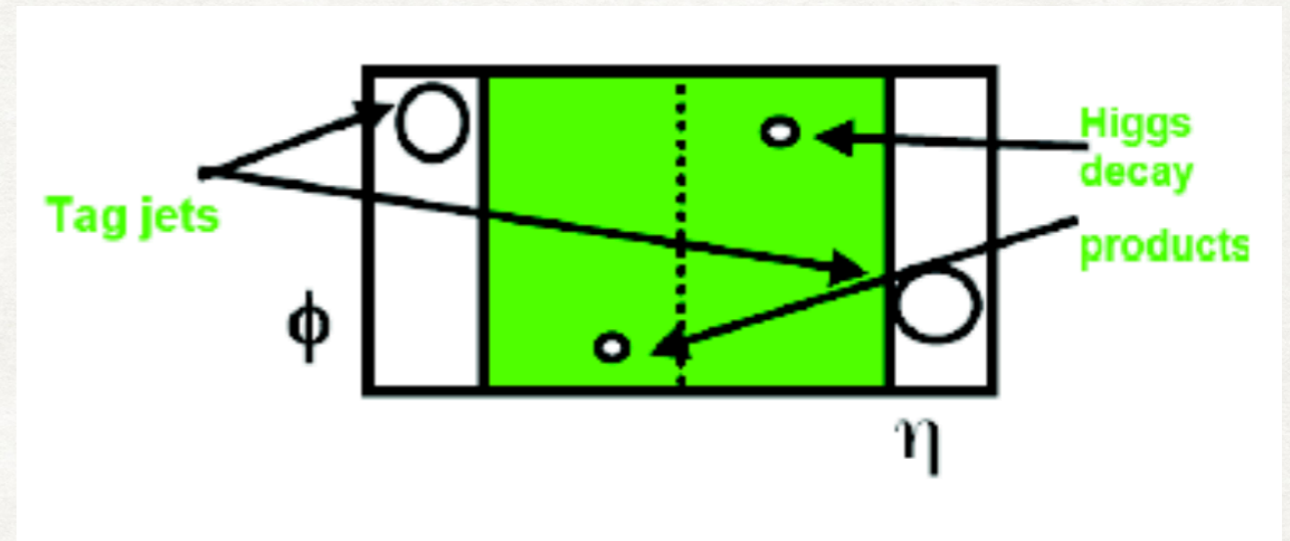
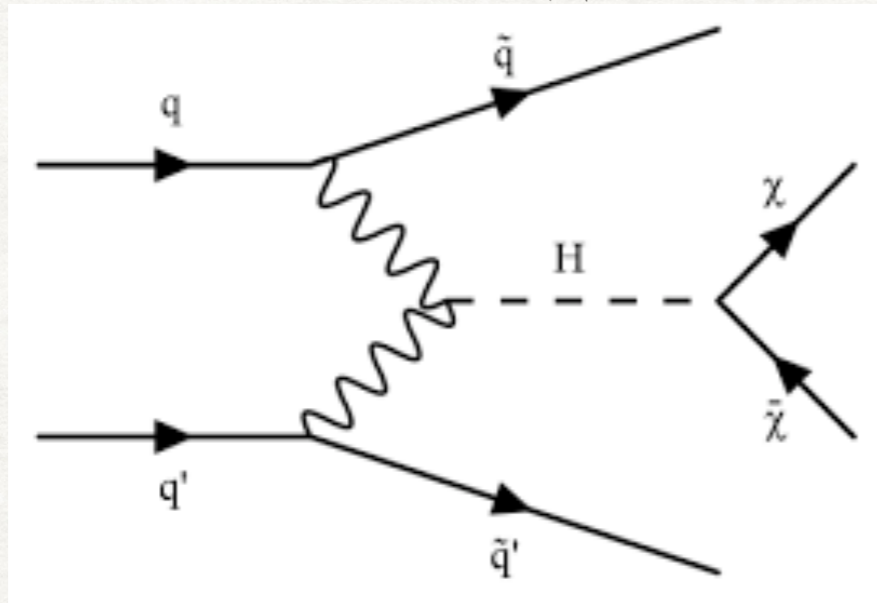
**Calculable in pQCD!!**

**How can we make neural networks aware of this physics input?  
So that, it treats all hadronic/jet analysis in a IRC safe way.**

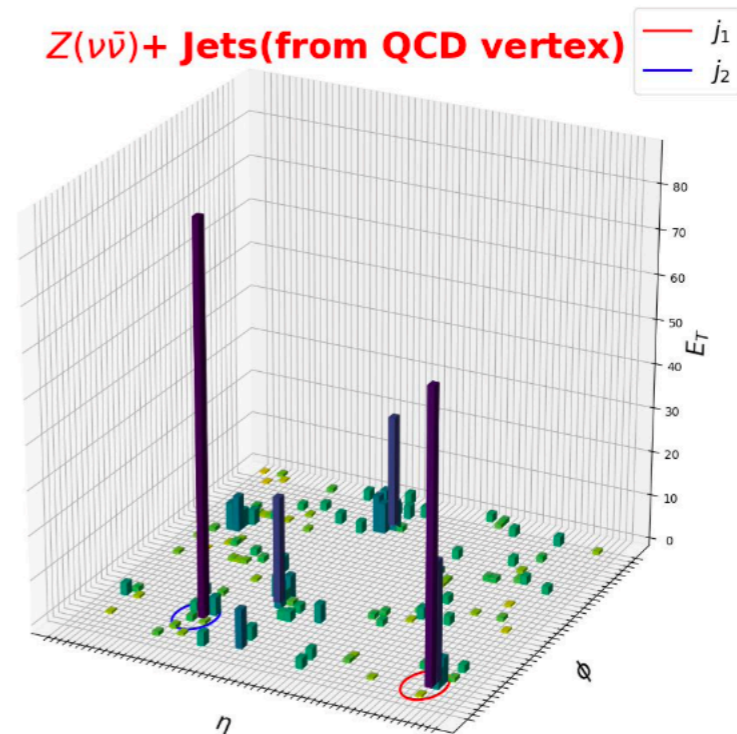
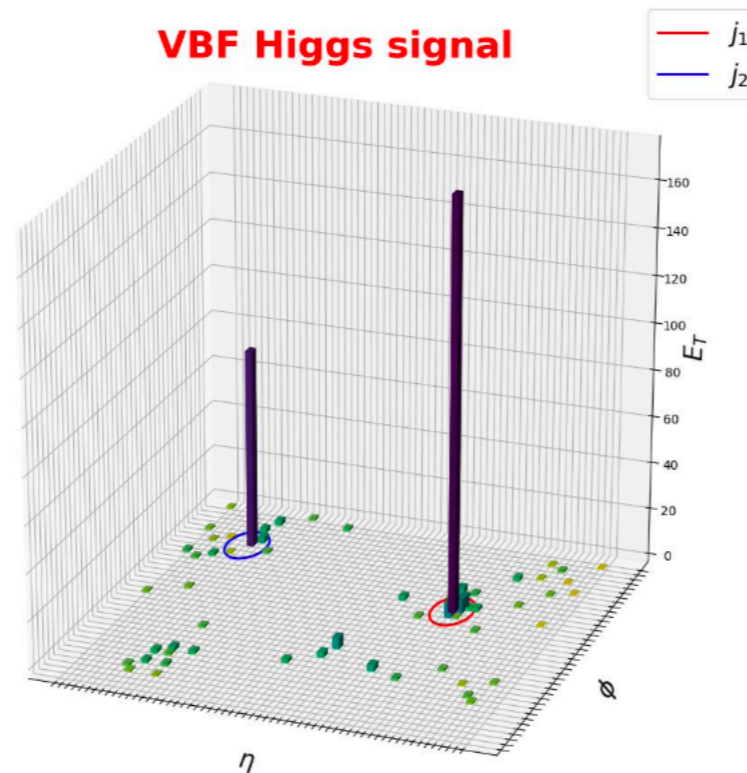


# INVISIBLE HIGGS DECAY @ VECTOR-BOSON FUSION

## CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK



### Invisible Higgs search with CNN: Tower Image



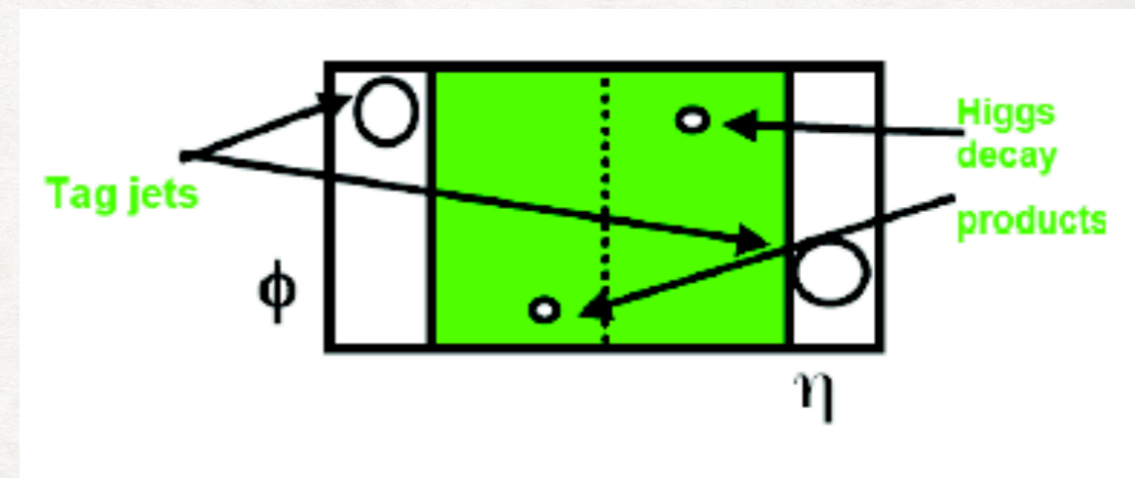


# INVISIBLE HIGGS DECAY @ VECTOR-BOSON FUSION

## CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK

✓ Vector Boson Fusion (VBF) was a novel proposal for Higgs search

✓ Interesting topology for a VBF  
Two forward jets + large inv. Mass  
No central jet activity between them  
Decay products at the central region



○ Qn. Can CNN learn feature for such event selection?

○ Problem is even more difficult if Higgs is decaying invisibly — No additional features from decay product!

○ Let us try that!

VBF is most sensitive  
channel for invisible  
Higgs search

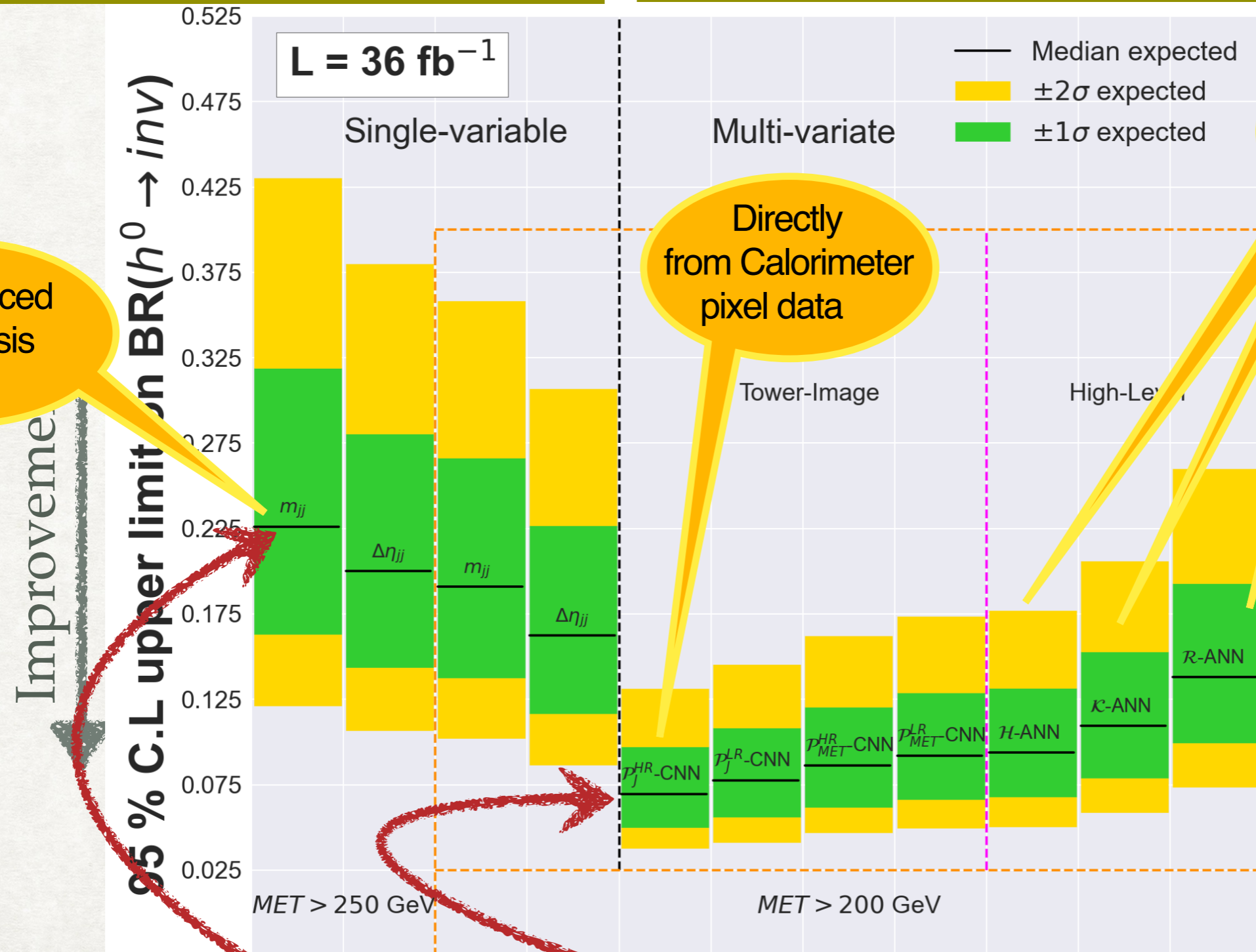
Collider bounds on invisible  
branching ratio of Higgs much  
higher than SM prediction!!



# INVISIBLE HIGGS DECAY @ VECTOR-BOSON FUSION

-Based on HL variables constructed by experts-

○ —Based on LL & HL input data—



Reproduced CMS analysis result

Directly from Calorimeter pixel data

Three High level data analysis

Akanksha Bhardwaj, PK, Aruna Nayak, Vishal Ng; 2020  
 PK, Vishal Ng; 2022

**Factor of three improvement using the same data!**  
**Hours of CNN training just extracted the relevant underlying feature better than our decades of research!**



# INVISIBLE HIGGS DECAY @ VECTOR-BOSON FUSION

## ROLE OF PARTON SHOWER

★ In this simple setup with just two jets : NN minutely learned the **kinematic relation** & **radiation pattern** from the data

★ Extra QCD radiation between two tag jets extremely significant!!

★ **Central-jet Veto:**

Efficiently rejects large QCD backgrounds by vetoing events with additional central jet

★ Qn. How *faithful the distribution function which NN learn?*

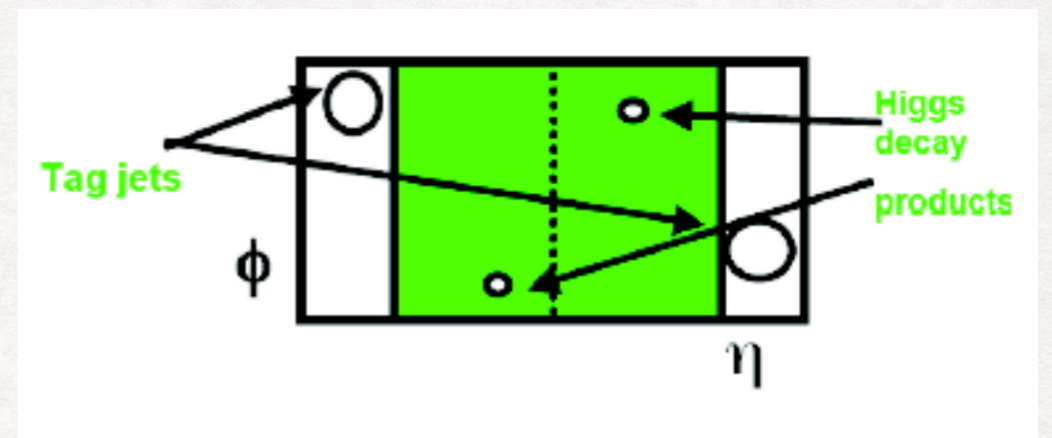
● *Perturbative Accuracy of Matrix Element Simulation :*

*LO vs NLO => Important for any process*

● *Parton Shower recoil Scheme [Dipole parton shower]*

*=> Wrong global scheme (for spacelike shower) used in most analysis*

★ True potential unfolds if theoretical predictions are accurate enough.



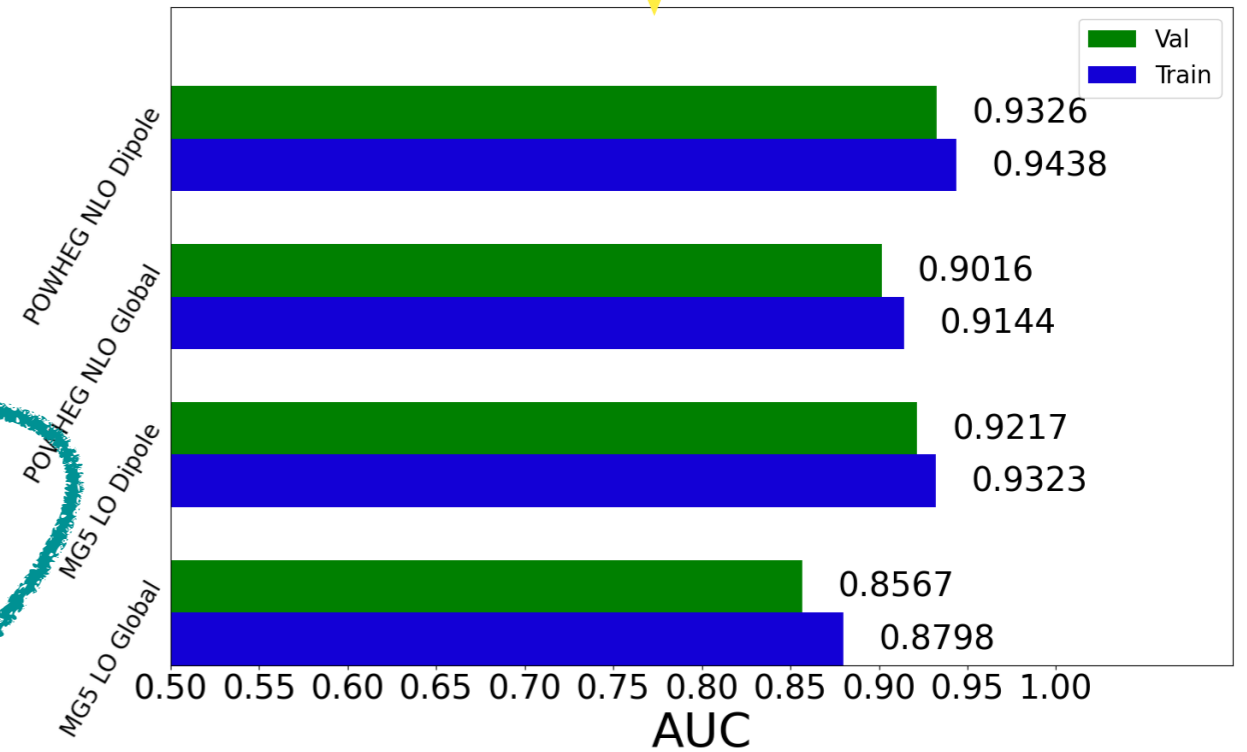
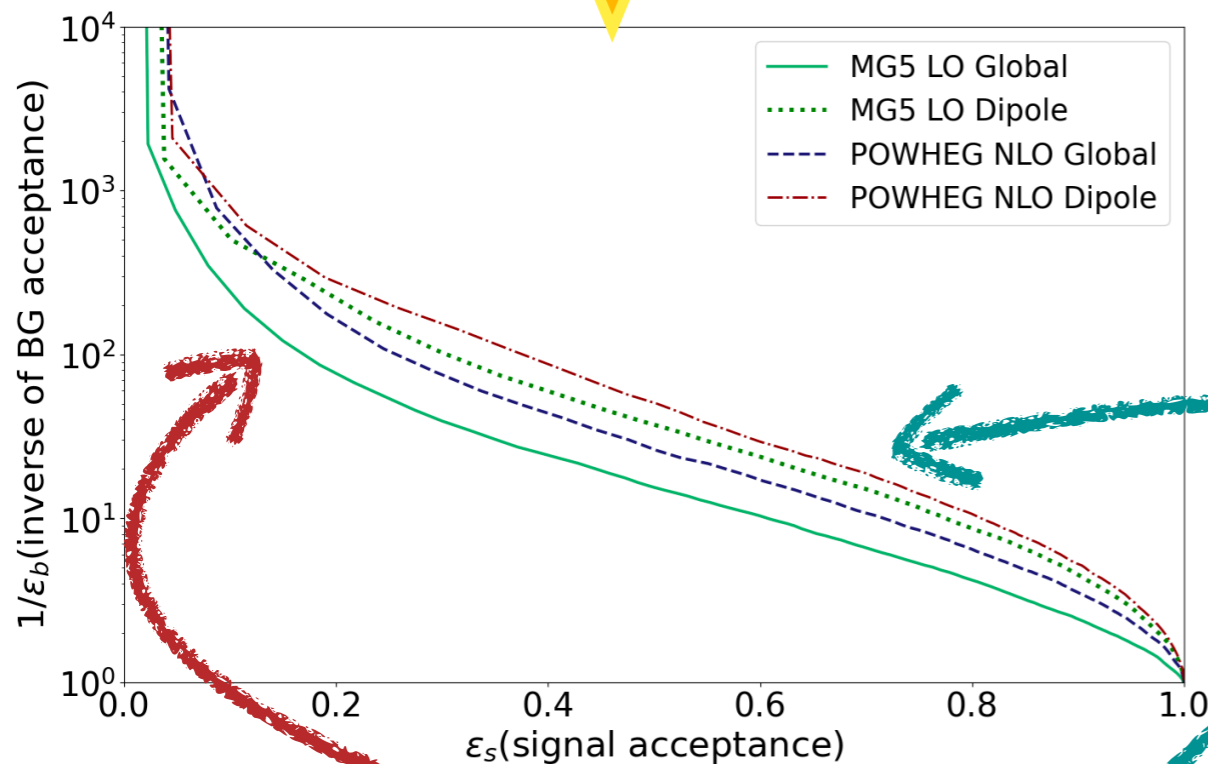


# INVISIBLE HIGGS DECAY @ VECTOR-BOSON FUSION

## ROLE OF PARTON SHOWER

Receiver Operator Characteristics (ROC) Curve

AUC



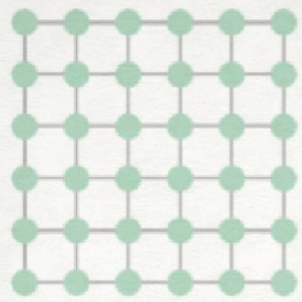
LO + Global parton shower scheme shows lowest performance

✓ NLO + Dipole parton shower scheme shows best performance

✓ Rest two (LO+ Dipole & NLO+ Global) shows intermediate performance

Accurate description





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# BEYOND CNN

## GRAPH NEURAL NETWORK



Networks

- Detectors calorimeter hits are typically very sparse and unstructured
- Varying number of reconstructed constituents
- Large number of tunable parameters
- ✓ Euclidean image (CNN) => general non-Euclidean domain (GNN) : Geometric deep learning
- Graph: Event as point cloud with each entry containing a vector composed of observables
- **Graph == Nodes (data point) + Edges (connections are as important as the data itself)**
- Message passing operation: nodes features and edge features are exchanged and provide a sophisticated feature extraction
- GNN is very powerful recent concept - mostly unexplored!!



# POINT CLOUD

Set of points sampled from an underlying space (not necessarily Euclidean)

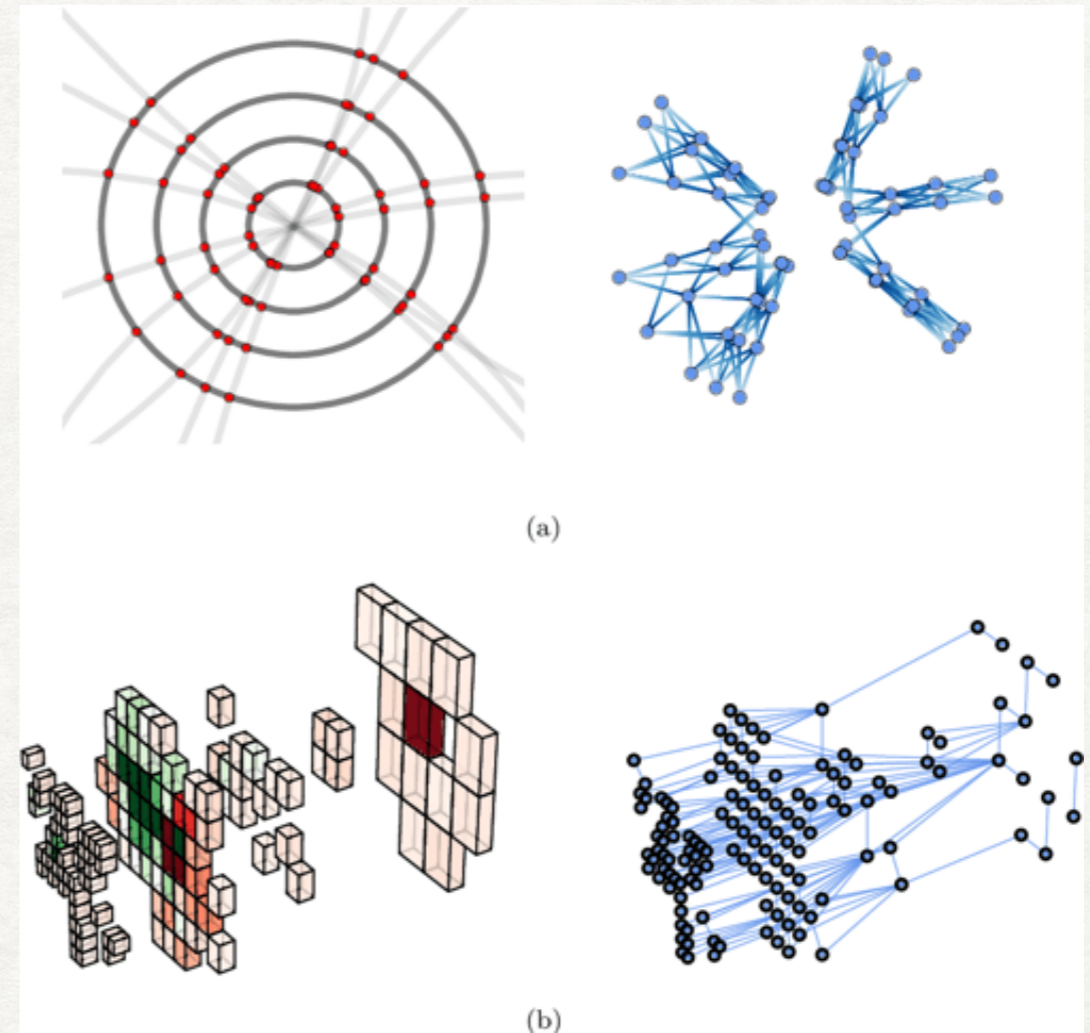
Each data sample is a set with variable cardinality:

$$\mathcal{S}_\alpha = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n_\alpha}\}$$

Can also be a collection of sets:

$$\mathcal{S}_\alpha^{all} = \{\mathcal{S}_\alpha^{jets}, \mathcal{S}_\alpha^{leptons}, \mathcal{S}_\alpha^{photon}, \dots\}$$

$\alpha =$  Event index





# CONSTRUCTION OF GRAPH

## LEARNING HOW DIFFERENT POINTS RELATE

A graph  $G(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{E})$  defined on a set  $\mathcal{S}$ , with edge-set  $\mathcal{E}$

$$G(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{E}) \quad \mathcal{S} = \{a, b, c\}$$

Node features:  $\{\mathbf{h}_a, \mathbf{h}_b, \mathbf{h}_c\}$

$$\mathcal{E} = \{(b, a), (c, a), (a, b), (c, b), (b, c), (a, c)\}$$

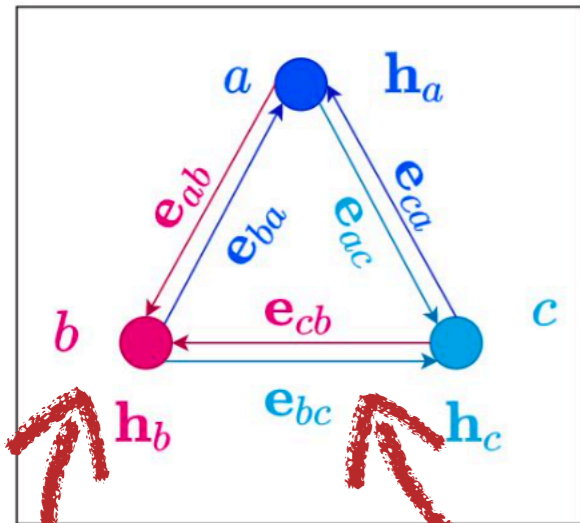
Edge features:  $\{\mathbf{e}_{ba}, \mathbf{e}_{ca}, \mathbf{e}_{ab}, \dots\}$

Neighbourhood sets:

$$\mathcal{N}(a) = \{b, c\}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(b) = \{a, c\}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(c) = \{a, b\}$$



Closed Neighbourhood sets for IRC safety:

$$\mathcal{N}[a] \ni a$$

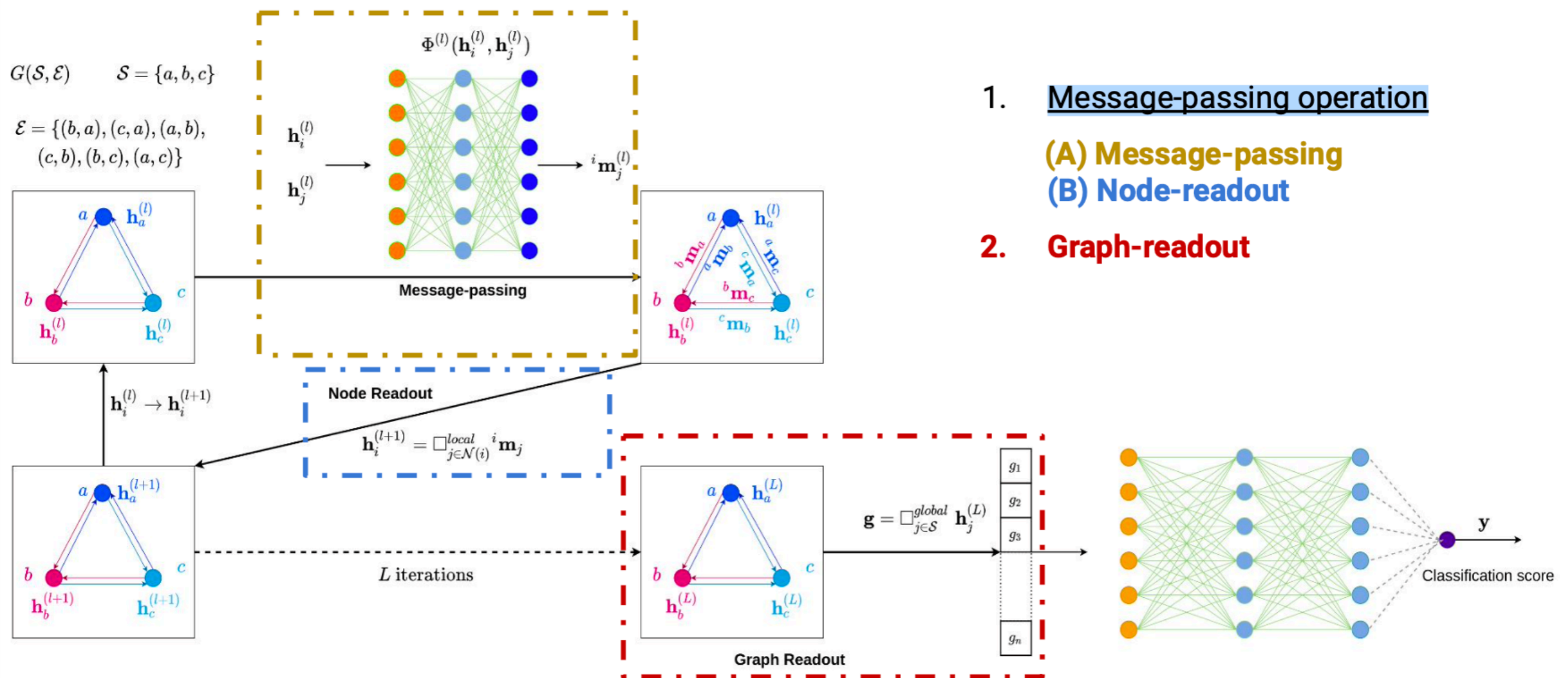
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Node

Edge



# MESSAGE-PASSING OPERATIONS



## 1. Message-passing operation

(A) Message-passing

(B) Node-readout

## 2. Graph-readout

1: Each node in the graph has associated (hidden states) feature vector.

A: Evaluate message (for each edge) by exchanging information between connected nodes

B: [Sum of] all messages obtained from the neighbour update at each node : Update feature  
 => Has information about the neighbourhoods

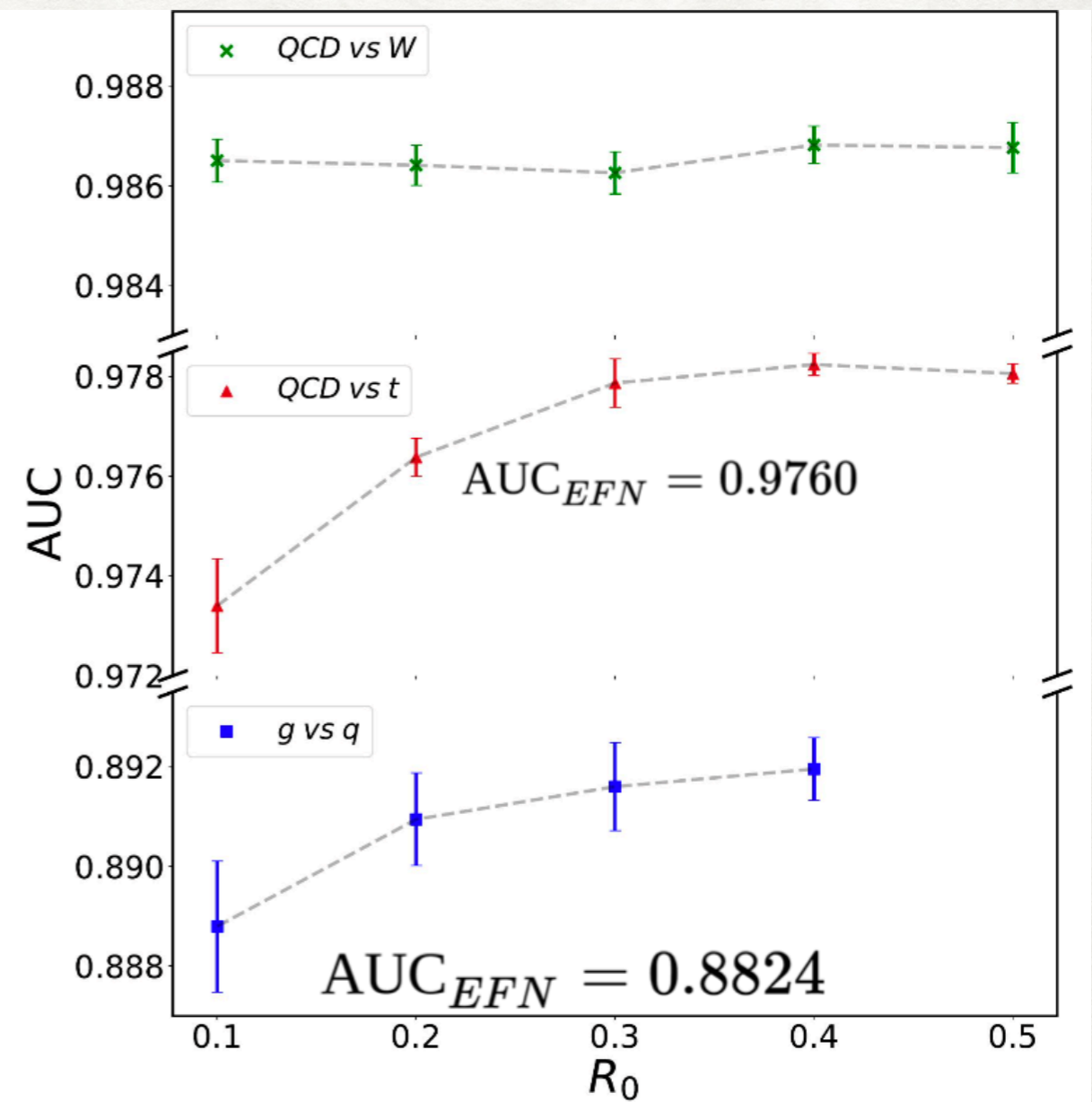
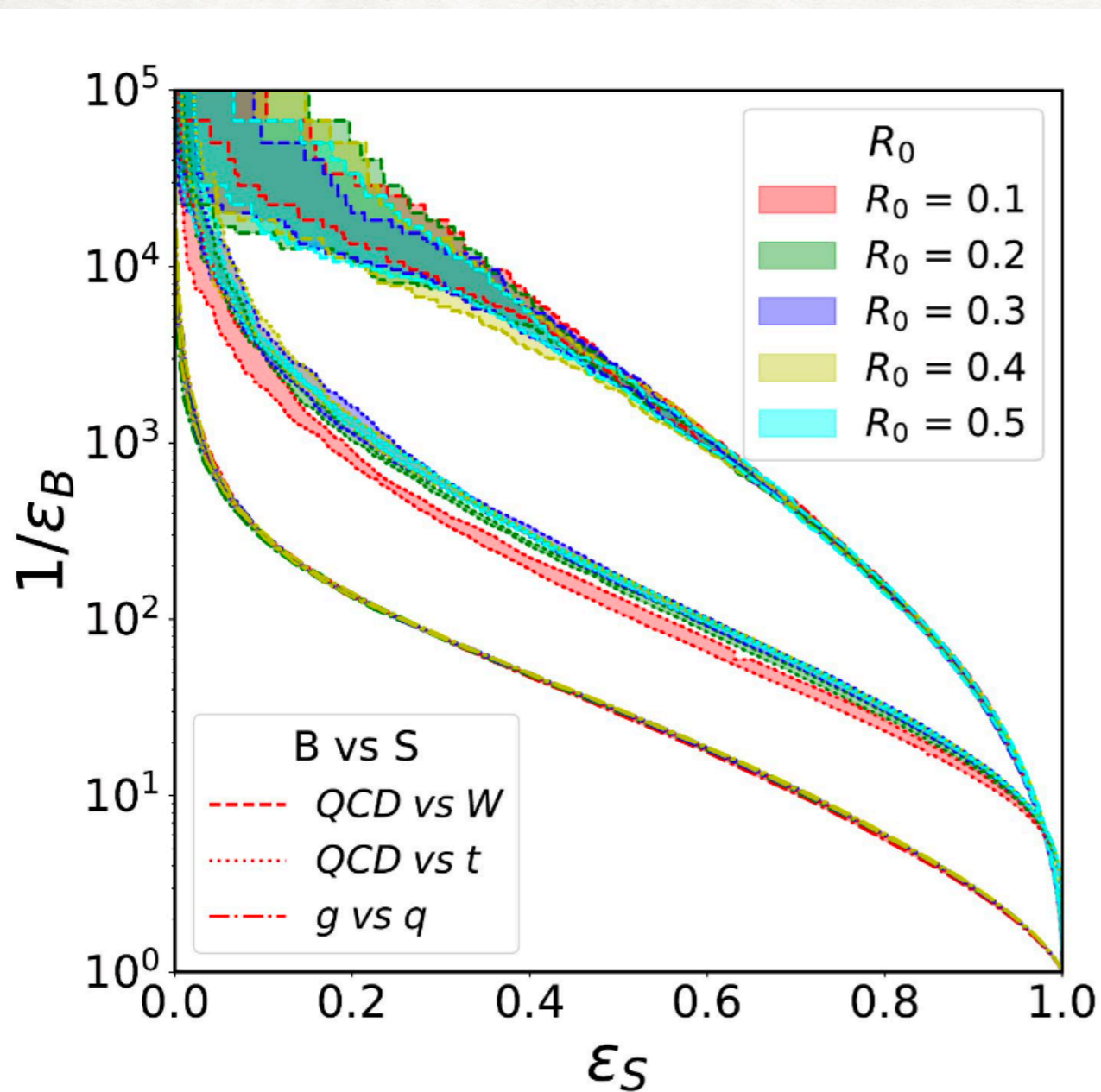
Can go to step A for successive run ( $l = 1, 2, \dots, L$ ) local to global information

2: [Extract] all updated hidden states and create a final feature vector describing the whole graph. This feature vector can be then used as input to a standard machine learning model.



# NETWORK PERFORMANCE

EMPN - IRC SAFE WAY



PK, Vishal Ng, Michael Spannowsky; 2022



# UNIVERSAL APPROXIMATION OF IRC SAFE OBSERVABLES

★ Any IRC safe observable  $\mathcal{O}$  can be expanded in a basis of C-correlators

$$\mathcal{O} \approx \sum_{N=0}^{N_{max}} C_N^{f_N} \quad , \quad C_N^{f_N} = \sum_{i_1} \sum_{i_2} \dots \sum_{i_N} E_{i_1} E_{i_2} \dots E_{i_N} f_N(\hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i_1}, \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i_2}, \dots, \hat{\mathbf{p}}_{i_N})$$

✓ Energy Flow Networks : Deep sets model which learns a per-particle map of each particle's directional coordinates  $C_1 = \sum_i z_i g_1(\hat{\mathbf{p}}_i)$

✓ Energy-weighted Message Passing Networks  $\mathbf{h}_i^{(\alpha+1)} = \sum_j z_j \mathbf{g}^{(\alpha+1)}(\mathbf{h}_i^{(\alpha)}, \mathbf{h}_j^{(\alpha)})$

→ The IRC safe graph representation is obtained as  $\mathbf{G}^{(L)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{part}} z_i \mathbf{h}_i^{(L)}$

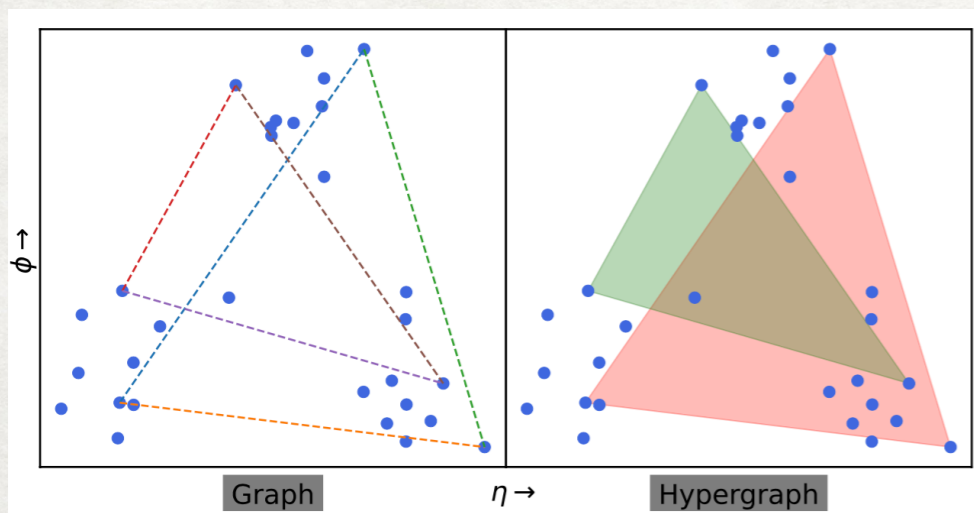
→ For a particular L, we can efficiently extract  $2^L$  angular arguments



# TOWARDS IRC SAFE H-EMPNN

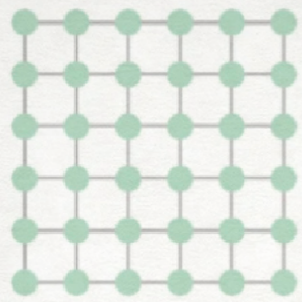
## HYPER - GRAPH NEURAL NETWORK

- Extracting features from any N-point correlation
- Construct IRC safe higher-point correlations
- Hypergraph Energy-weighted Message Passing Networks (H-EMPNNs) - designed to capture any N -point correlation among particles
- Order-three hyperedges simultaneously link properties of three jet constituents at a time
- Access higher-order correlations amongst jet constituents



PK, Vishal Ng, Michael Spannowsky; 2023





Images



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# IRC SAFE EMPN

## GRAPH NEURAL NETWORK



Networks

- Generalised Energy Flow Networks (EFNs) to extract local correlations via message-passing operations
- Single Energy-weighted message passing improves upon EFNs
- Iterative application does not spoil IRC safety, performs better with reduced sensitivity to soft and collinear emissions
- ✓ Devised generic graph construction algorithms which give invariant graph structure in the deletion of a soft or collinear vertex
  - Graph: embed general structure for intuitive physics input
  - General enough to study inclusive event shapes
  - **Infra-red and collinear safe GNN mechanism is constructed for QCD jet study**



# MACHINE LEARNING

## CHALLENGES

- Interpretability: Relevant physics knowledge learned by the model : Physics intuitive high-level features capture real insights, but clearly sacrifice some useful information
- Prejudice: Decades-old research by human mind must be supreme (After all, NN tried to mimic the neurones??)
- Status quo: are "we" and "journals" evolving slowly to catch up!
- In research: Dealing with different kinds of abstract data
- Overreach: Is not effective in all kinds of problems!
- Involved cost:
  - Data science skill development + domain knowledge expertise
  - Order of magnitude higher computation power requirement
  - Opaque transition between knowledge & learning





Thank  
you