

Anomaly Detection for BSM Using AI/ML

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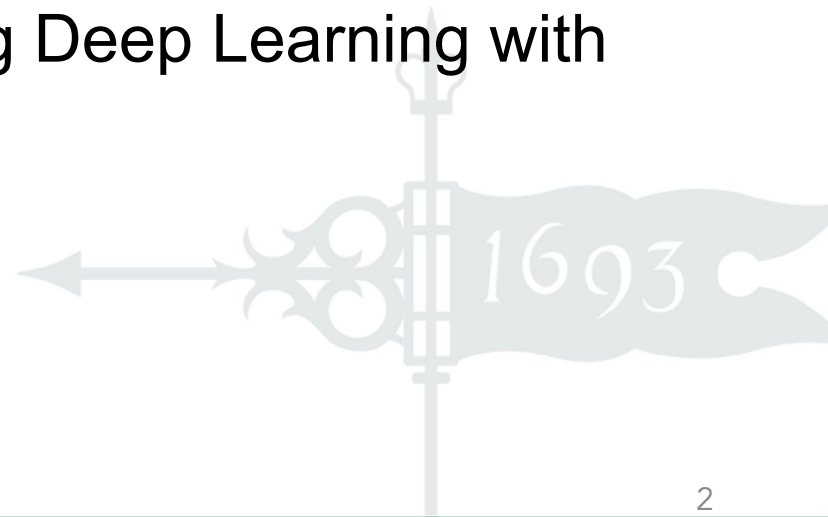


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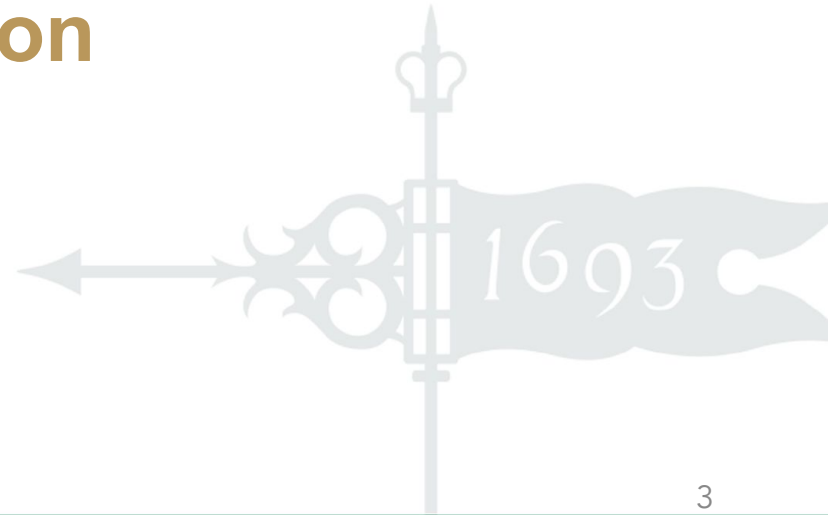
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Overview

1. Light Dark Matter Detection
2. Anomaly Detection using Generative Models
3. Precision Measurements using Deep Learning with Uncertainty Quantification

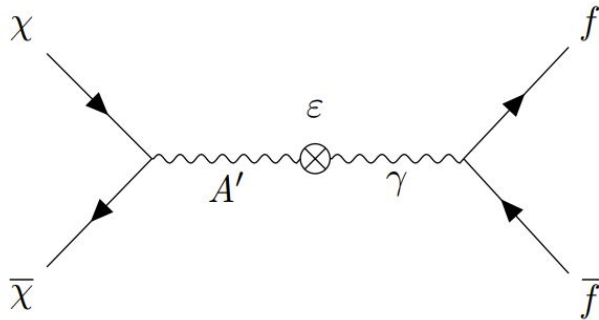


Light Dark Matter Detection



Light Dark Matter

- keV-GeV mass range
- Interacts with SM matter via new particle
- Vector portal: U(1) gauge boson coupling to electric charge
- Dark photon A' of mass $m_{A'}$ couples to SM with coupling constant ε ; decays to LDM of mass m_χ with dark coupling α_D

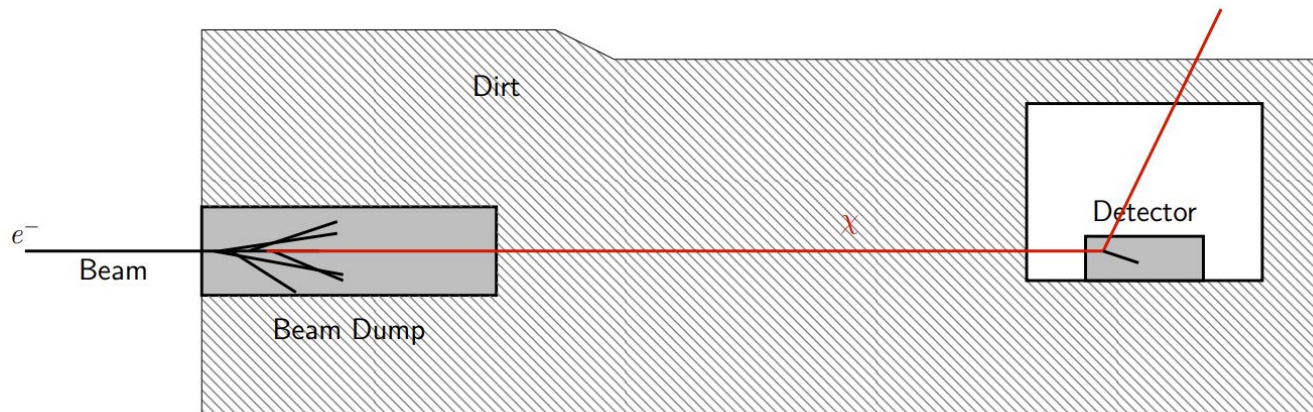
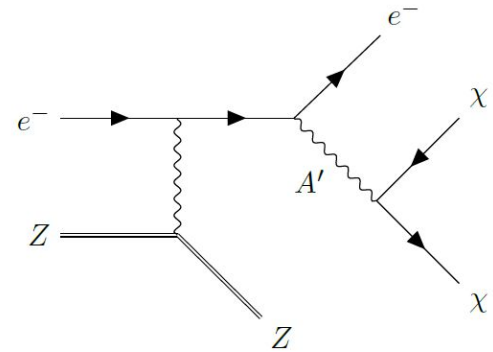


$$\mathcal{L}_{LDM} \sim g_D A'_\mu J_\chi^\mu + \varepsilon e A'_\mu J_{EM}^\mu + [\dots]$$

$$y \equiv \frac{g_D^2 \varepsilon^2 e^2}{4\pi} \left(\frac{m_\chi}{m_{A'}} \right)^4 \sim \langle \sigma v \rangle_{relic} m_\chi^2$$

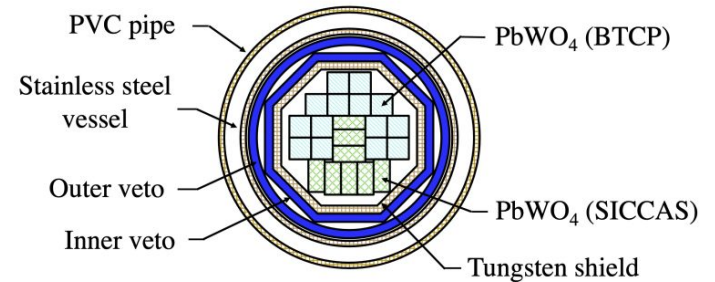
BDX Experiment

- Beam dump experiment at Jefferson Lab Hall A
- Planned running in 2026-29
- A' produced in the beam dump would decay to LDM particles χ



Mini-BDX

- Pilot version of BDX Experiment
- Collected 6 months of data in 2019-20
- Detector consists of two layers of 22 PbWO_4 calorimeters each surrounded by two active veto layers
- Main sources of background: beam neutrinos + cosmics
- $N_{\text{EOT}} = 1.54\text{e}21$
- Yields: 3623 beam on/3822 beam off events



Setting Upper Limits on Signal

Define Likelihood Model: $\mathcal{L} = \prod_j \left[P(n_{\text{on}}^j; \mu_c^j + \mu_\nu^j + \alpha^j \cdot S) \cdot P(n_{\text{off}}^j; \mu_c^j \cdot \tau) \right]$

- S = number of signal
- μ_c, μ_ν = cosmogenic/neutrino background yield
- $\tau = T_{\text{off}}/T_{\text{on}}$

Perform one sided hypothesis test to determine upper limit on S , S^{up}

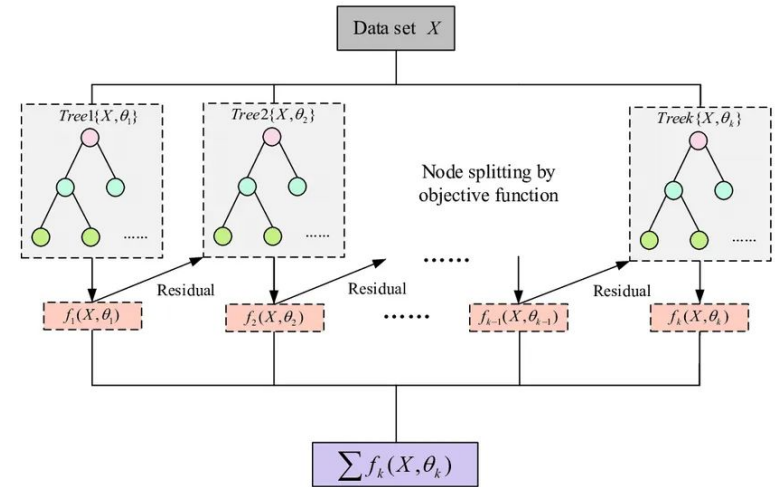
$$y = \epsilon^2 \alpha_D \left(\frac{m_\chi}{m_{A'}} \right)^4 = \epsilon_0^2 \sqrt{\frac{S^{\text{UP}}}{S}} \alpha_D \left(\frac{m_\chi}{m_{A'}} \right)^4 \quad \epsilon^2 = \epsilon_0^2 \sqrt{\frac{S^{\text{UP}}}{S}},$$

Can we improve sensitivity by cutting on feature variables?

Can do rectangular cuts but can machine learning perform better?

XGBoost

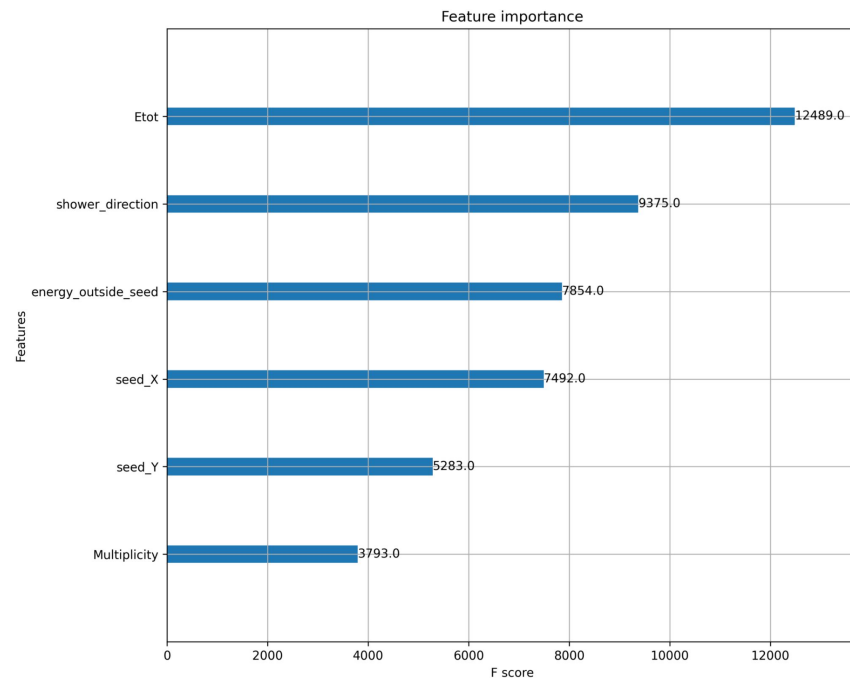
- Gradient Boosted Decision Trees (BDTs)
 - combine multiple decision trees sequentially
 - trees in successive iterations are trained to correct the errors of the previous ones
 - minimizes loss along the gradient of the loss wrt the predictions
- Highly effective for classification and regression tasks
- XGBoost is an open-source library that uses gradient boosting
- Want to use BDT to discriminate dark matter signal from background (cosmics and neutrinos)



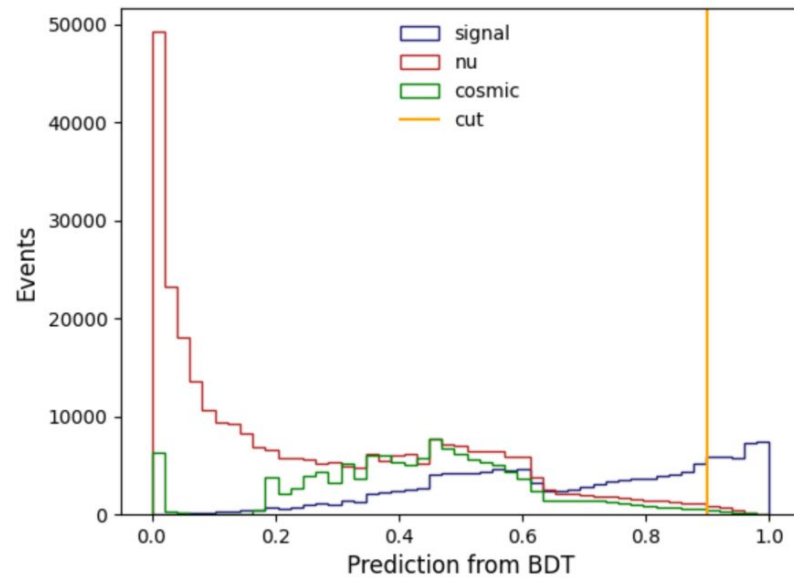
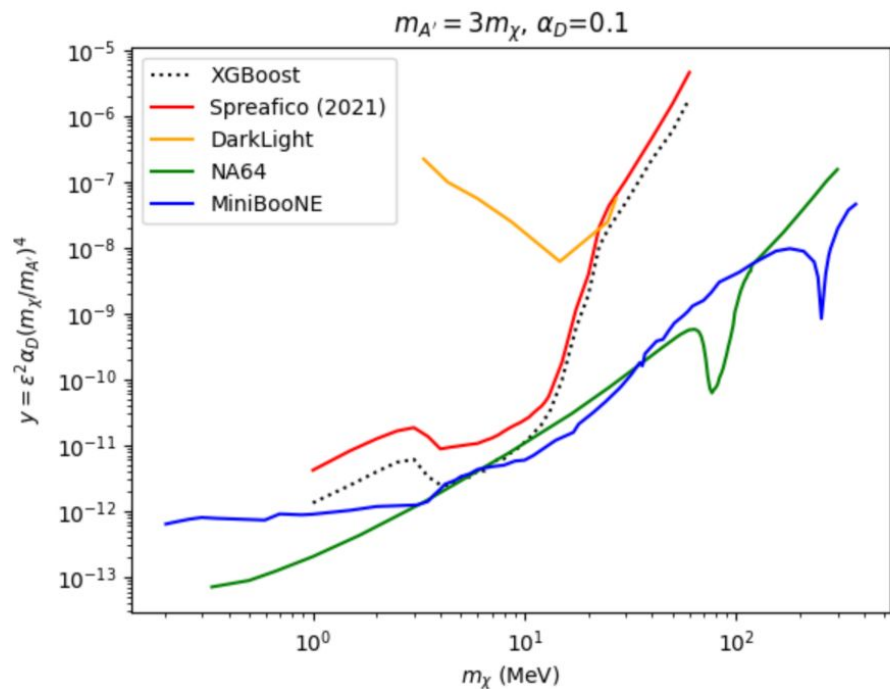
Input Features and Parameters

1. Total energy deposited in the detector
2. Shower direction
3. Fraction of energy outside the seed
(i.e. outside the highest energy crystal)
4. x-y position of the seed
5. Multiplicity (number of crystals above the threshold)

Parameter	Value
Learning rate η	0.1
Max tree depth	10
Subsample ratio	0.8
Number of trees	100
Learning objective	binary:logistic



Experimental reach improved by BDT cut

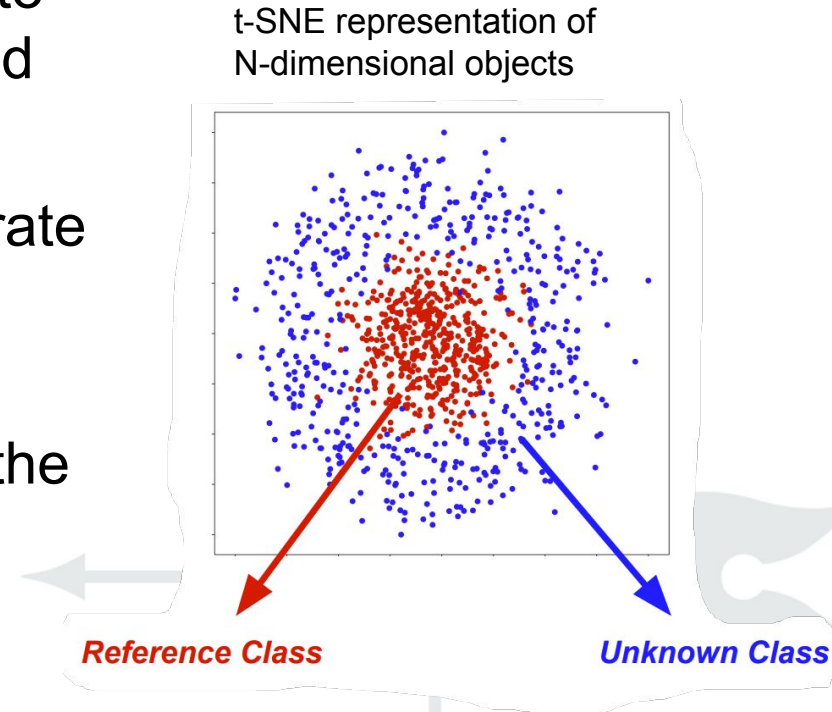


Generative Models for Anomaly Detection

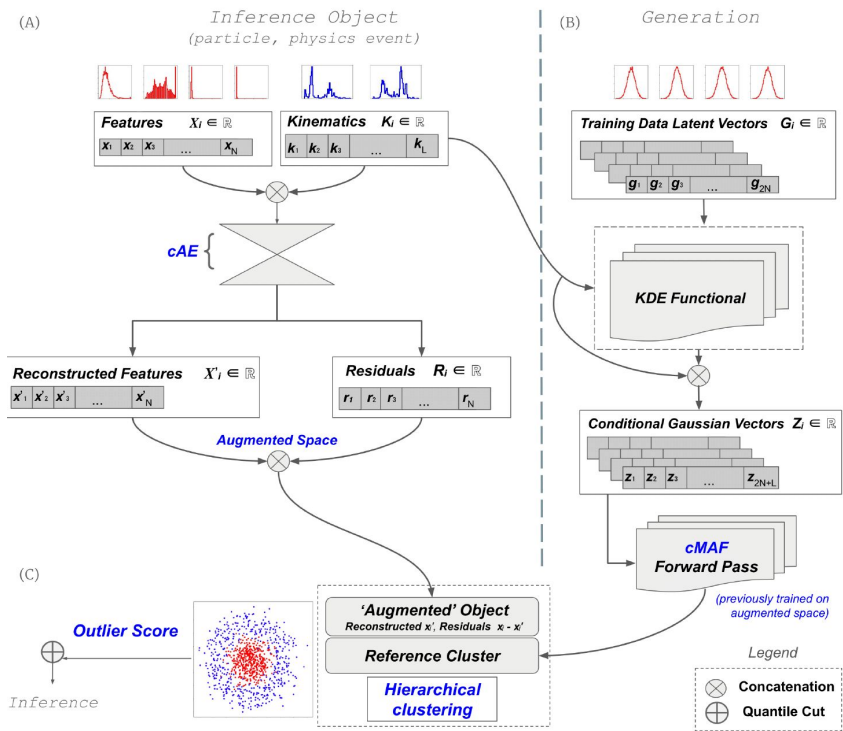


Flux + Mutability

- A conditional generative approach to One-Class Classification (OCC) and Anomaly Detection (AD)
- Can we use deep learning to separate two classes more efficiently than rectangular cuts?
- While remaining agnostic towards the unknown class?

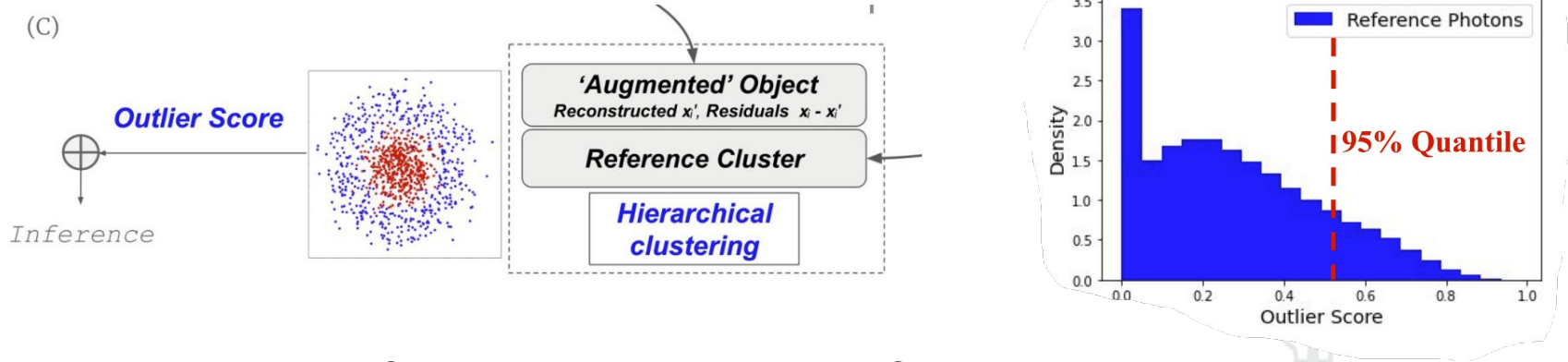


Flux + Mutability: Architecture



- A. Inference Object fed through cAE
 - a. Features \otimes Kinematics
 - b. Features \otimes Residuals ($\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}$)
- B. Continuous Conditional Generation
 - a. Pre-fit KDE Objects in kinematic bins
 - b. Map inference kinematics to KDE object
 - c. Sample new Gaussian vectors from restricted domain
 - d. Gaussian Vectors \otimes Inference Kinematics
 - e. **Conditionally generate reference population** via cMAF
- C. Compare inference object to **reference population** via Hierarchical clustering and quantile cuts

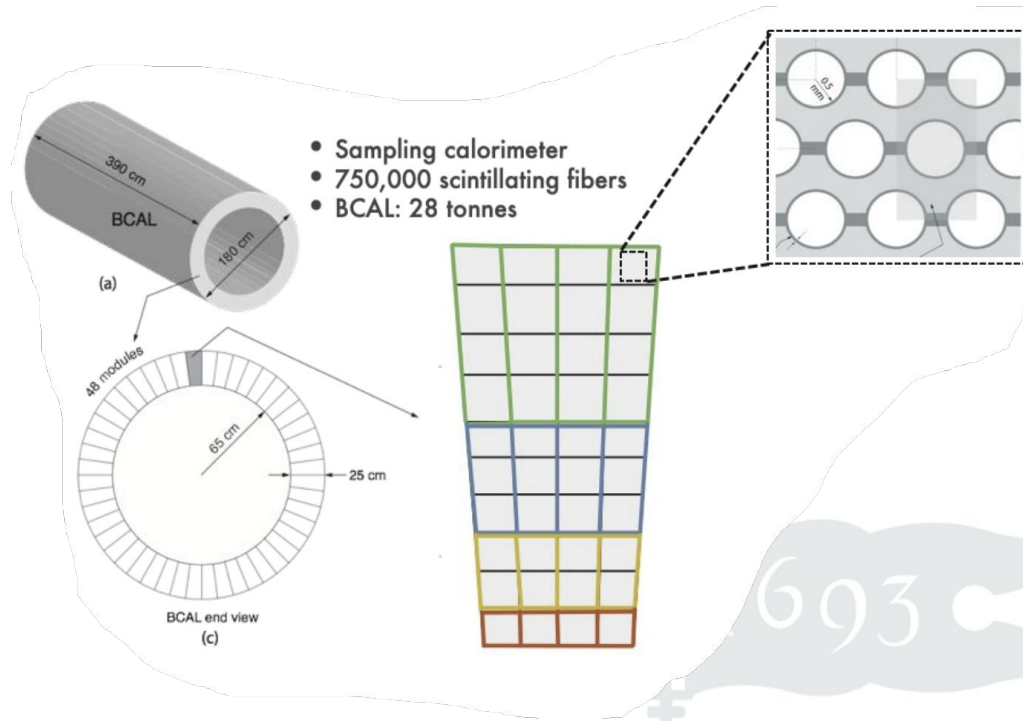
HDBSCAN and Quantile Cuts



- Augment the inference particle into the **reference cluster** space
 - Two notions of membership: density-based & distance-based
- Combine the two PMFs and extract a probability of membership (P_{in})
- Define Outlier Score as complementary probability $P_{out} = 1 - P_{in}$
- Extract **reference population** outlier score corresponding to a desired quantile

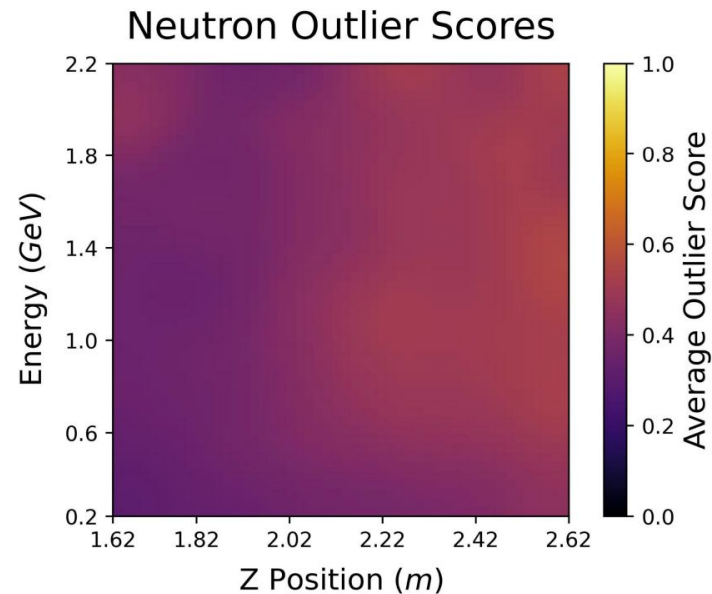
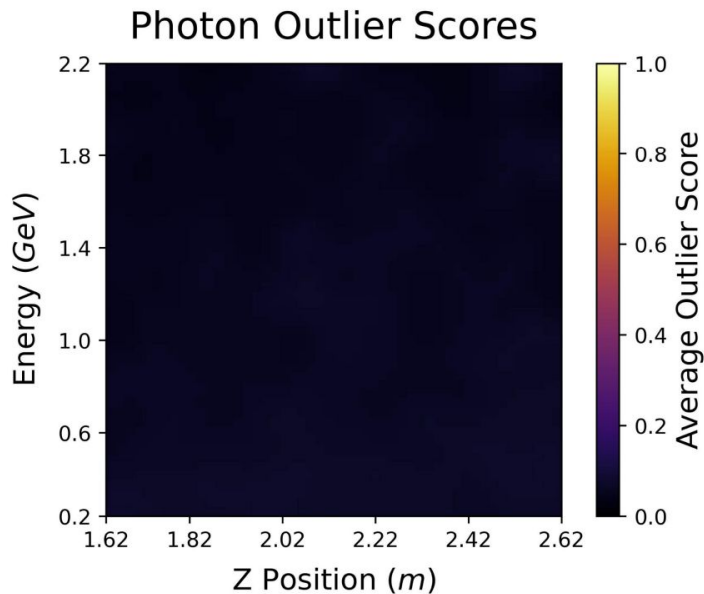
Case 1: γ/n Separation at GlueX (OCC)

- High confidence on one class
- Isolate highly active area of BCAL
- Reconstructed energy and z-position as kinematic conditions
- Simulated showers of photons (**inference**) and neutrons (**reference**)
- Strict preselection cuts
- Deploy fiducial cuts to extract only neutron showers which highly resemble photons
- 14 input features comprising of detector response variables
- 1.8M training events



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OCC: γ/n Separation at GlueX

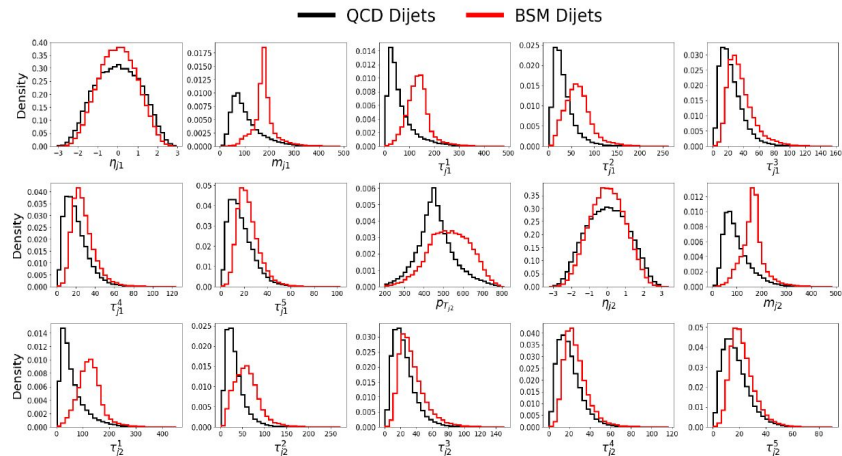
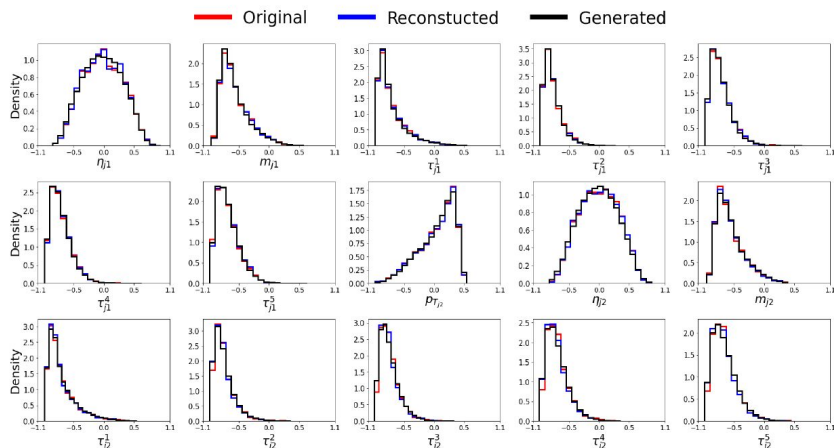


Quantile	True Positive Rate	True Negative Rate
68%	68.15 ± 0.18 %	87.48 ± 0.13 %
95%	95.03 ± 0.08 %	52.70 ± 0.19 %
99%	98.96 ± 0.04 %	35.44 ± 0.18 %

Case 2: BSM Dijet Separation at LHC (AD)

- Consider QCD dijet events as **reference**
- Isolate $Z' \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ dijets as **unknown**
- Publicly available datasets generated via MADGRAPH and Pythia8 using the DELPHES framework for fast detector simulation
- Require leading jet transverse momenta $450 \text{ GeV} < p_T < 800 \text{ GeV}$ and sub-leading jet $p_T > 200 \text{ GeV}$
- Consider leading jet p_T as single kinematic condition
- 15 input features
 - Remaining 4 vector properties of the leading jet and n-subjettiness variables
 - Sub-leading jet 4 vector and n-subjettiness variables
- 600k training events/100k testing events

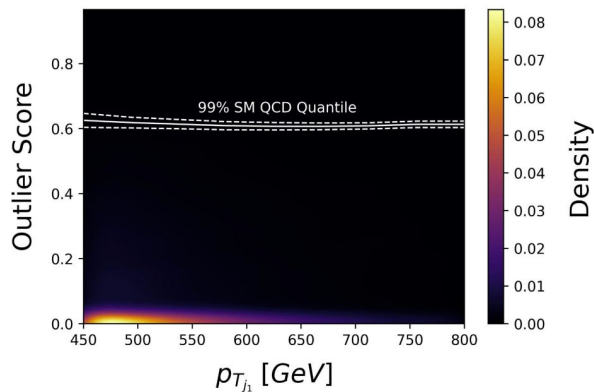
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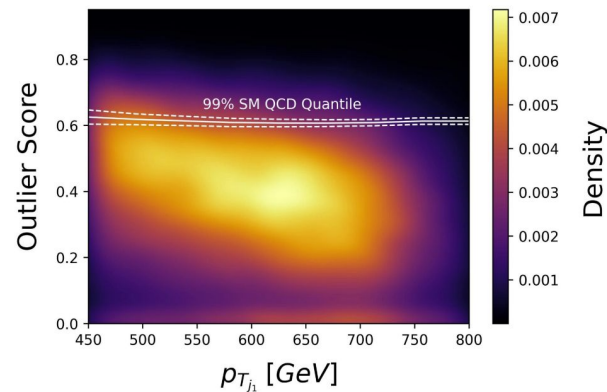
- 15 input features
 - Remaining 4 vector properties of the leading jet and n-subjettiness variables
 - Sub-leading jet 4 vector and n-subjettiness variables
- Generated distributions of QCD dijets from the cMA match the original and reconstructed distributions to a high degree
- QCD and BSM dijets occupy the same region in phase space

Anomaly Detection: BSM Dijet Separation at LHC

QCD Dijet Outlier Score VS Leading Jet p_T



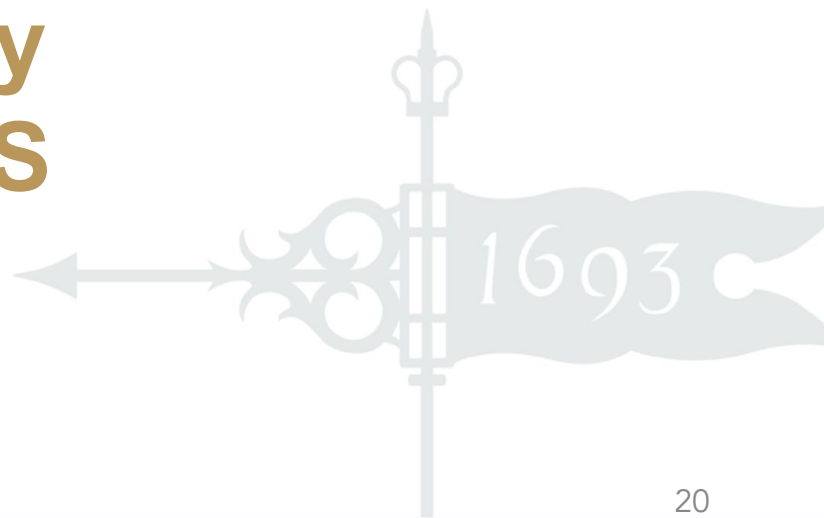
BSM Dijet Outlier Score VS Leading Jet p_T



Quantile	True Positive Rate	True Negative Rate
68%	68.48 ± 0.22 %	93.05 ± 0.06 %
95%	95.27 ± 0.10 %	43.07 ± 0.22 %
99%	99.04 ± 0.05 %	12.74 ± 0.15 %
Fiducial cuts (99%)	98.92 ± 0.05 %	2.35 ± 0.06 %

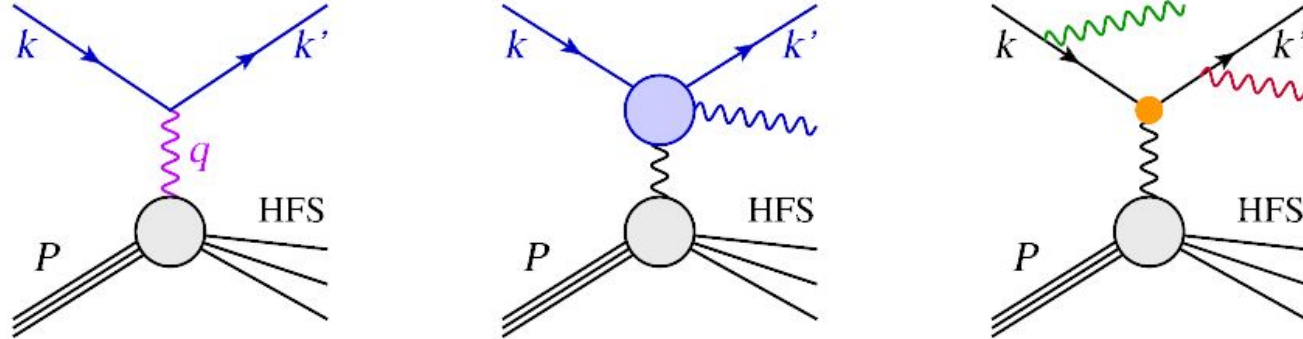
	F+M	Fraser et al.	Cheng et al.
AUC	0.891 ± 0.005	0.87	0.89

DNN with Uncertainty Quantification for DIS



Deep Inelastic Scattering

DIS is governed by the 4-momentum squared of the exchange boson Q^2 , the inelasticity y , and the Bjorken scaling variable x



Are related to the center-of-mass energy s via the relation $Q^2 = sxy$

$$s = (k + P)^2, \quad Q^2 = -q^2, \quad y = \frac{q \cdot P}{k \cdot P}, \quad \text{and} \quad x = Q^2 / (sy).$$

DIS Kinematic Reconstruction Methods

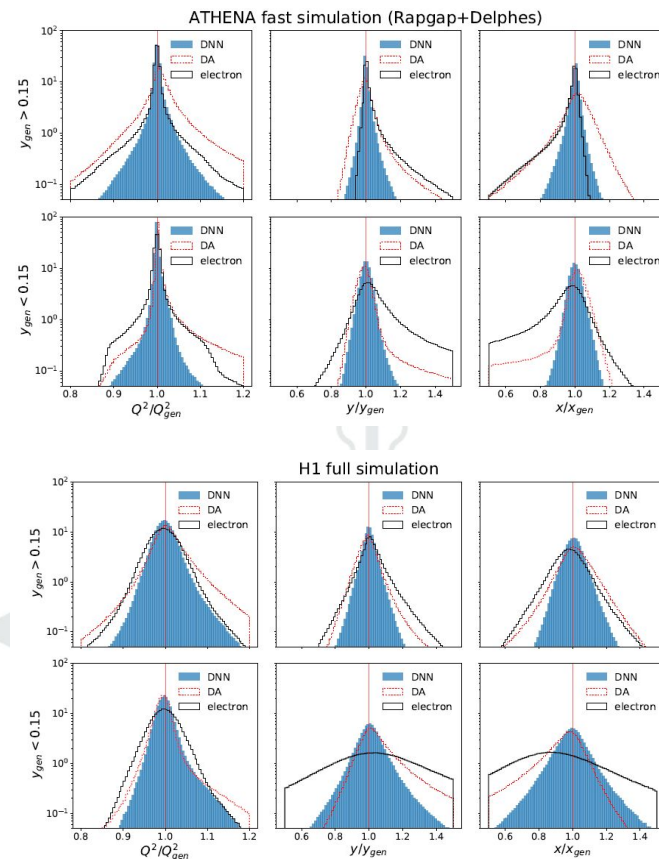
- Conservation of momentum and energy overconstrain the DIS kinematics and leads to a freedom to calculate x , Q^2 , y from measured quantities
- Each method has advantages and disadvantages, and no single approach is optimal over the entire phase space. Each method exhibits different sensitivity to QED radiative effects

Method name	Observables	y	Q^2	$x \cdot E_p$
Electron (e)	$[E_0, E, \theta]$	$1 - \frac{\Sigma_e}{2E_0}$	$\frac{E^2 \sin^2 \theta}{1-y}$	$\frac{E(1+\cos \theta)}{2y}$
Double angle (DA) [6, 7]	$[E_0, \theta, \gamma]$	$\frac{\tan \frac{\gamma}{2}}{\tan \frac{\gamma}{2} + \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}$	$4E_0^2 \cot^2 \frac{\theta}{2} (1-y)$	$\frac{Q^2}{4E_0 y}$
Hadron (h , JB) [4]	$[E_0, \Sigma, \gamma]$	$\frac{\Sigma}{2E_0}$	$\frac{T^2}{1-y}$	$\frac{Q^2}{2\Sigma}$
ISigma ($i\Sigma$) [9]	$[E, \theta, \Sigma]$	$\frac{\Sigma}{\Sigma + \Sigma_e}$	$\frac{E^2 \sin^2 \theta}{1-y}$	$\frac{E(1+\cos \theta)}{2y}$
IDA [7]	$[E, \theta, \gamma]$	y_{DA}	$\frac{E^2 \sin^2 \theta}{1-y}$	$\frac{E(1+\cos \theta)}{2y}$
$E_0 E \Sigma$	$[E_0, E, \Sigma]$	y_h	$4E_0 E - 4E_0^2 (1-y)$	$\frac{Q^2}{2\Sigma}$
$E_0 \theta \Sigma$	$[E_0, \theta, \Sigma]$	y_h	$4E_0^2 \cot^2 \frac{\theta}{2} (1-y)$	$\frac{Q^2}{2\Sigma}$
$\theta \Sigma \gamma$ [8]	$[\theta, \Sigma, \gamma]$	y_{DA}	$\frac{T^2}{1-y}$	$\frac{Q^2}{2\Sigma}$
Double energy (A4) [7]	$[E_0, E, E_h]$	$\frac{E-E_0}{(xE_p)-E_0}$	$4E_0 y (xE_p)$	$E + E_h - E_0$
$E \Sigma T$	$[E, \Sigma, T]$	$\frac{\Sigma}{\Sigma + E \pm \sqrt{E^2 + T^2}}$	$\frac{T^2}{1-y}$	$\frac{Q^2}{2\Sigma}$
$E_0 E T$	$[E_0, E, T]$	$\frac{2E_0 - E \mp \sqrt{E^2 - T^2}}{2E_0}$	$\frac{T^2}{1-y}$	$\frac{Q^2}{4E_0 y}$
Sigma (Σ) [9]	$[E_0, E, \Sigma, \theta]$	$y_{i\Sigma}$	$Q_{i\Sigma}^2$	$\frac{Q^2}{4E_0 y}$
$e\Sigma$ ($e\Sigma$) [9]	$[E_0, E, \Sigma, \theta]$	$\frac{2E_0 \Sigma}{(\Sigma + \Sigma_e)^2}$	$2E_0 E (1 + \cos \theta)$	$\frac{E(1+\cos \theta)(\Sigma + \Sigma_e)}{2\Sigma}$

Table 1. Summary of basic reconstruction methods that employ only three out of five quantities: E_0 (electron-beam energy), E and θ (scattered electron energy and polar angle), Σ and γ (longitudinal energy-momentum balance, $\Sigma = \sum_{\text{HFS}} (E_i - p_{z,i})$, and the inclusive angle of the HFS). Alternatively, the A4 method makes use of the HFS total energy E_h . Shorthand notations are used

Kinematical Reconstruction with Deep Neural Networks

- DNN shows improved kinematical reconstruction of DIS variables over standard reconstruction techniques for H1 and ATHENA data
- Exploited full kinematical information and accounting for the presence of QED radiation
- Did not consider event-level uncertainty quantification



Event-Level Uncertainty Quantification (ELUQuant)

Total loss function is the sum of components

$$\mathcal{L}_{Tot.} = \mathcal{L}_{Reg.} + \alpha \mathcal{L}_{Phys.} + \beta \mathcal{L}_{MNF.}$$

Learn the posterior over the weights

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{MNF.} &= -KL(q(\mathbf{W})||p(\mathbf{W})) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{q(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{z}_T)}[-KL(q(\mathbf{W}|\mathbf{z}_{T_f})||p(\mathbf{W})) + \log r(\mathbf{z}_{T_f}|\mathbf{W}) - \log q(\mathbf{z}_{T_f})] \end{aligned}$$

Access epistemic (systematic) uncertainty through sampling MNF layers

Learn the regression transformation

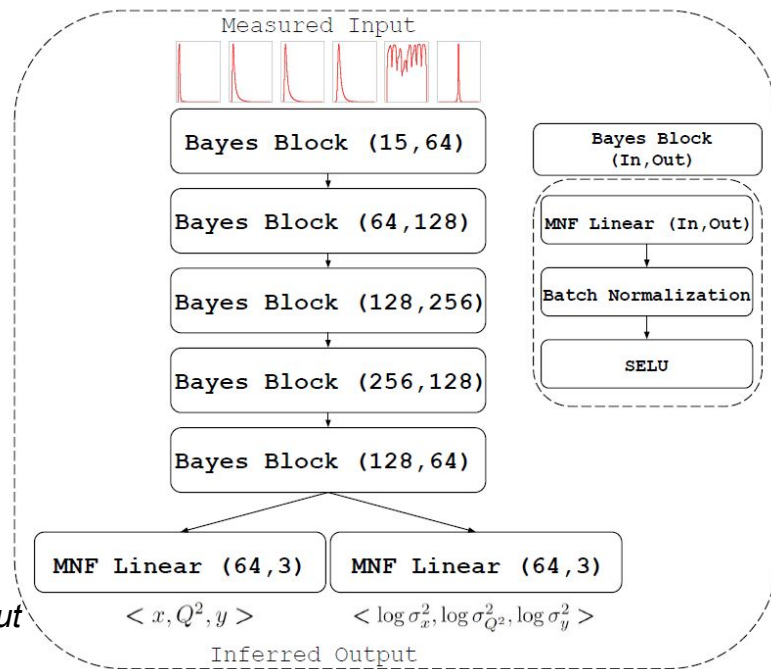
$$\mathcal{L}_{Reg.} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \sum_j \frac{1}{2} (e^{-s_j} \|\mathbf{v}_j - \hat{\mathbf{v}}_j\|^2 + s_j), \quad s_j = \log \sigma_j^2$$

aleatoric
epistemic

Access aleatoric (statistical) uncertainty as a function of regressed output

Constrain the physics

$$\mathcal{L}_{Phys.} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \log \hat{Q}_i^2 - (\log s_i + \log \hat{x}_i + \log \hat{y}_i)$$



Input Features of ELUQuant

Define variables to characterize the strength of FSR/ISR :

$$p_T^{bal} = 1 - \frac{p_{T,e}}{T} = 1 - \frac{\Sigma_e \tan \frac{\gamma}{2}}{\Sigma \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$p_z^{bal} = 1 - \frac{\Sigma_e + \Sigma}{2E_0}$$

5 additional features to indicate QED radiation:

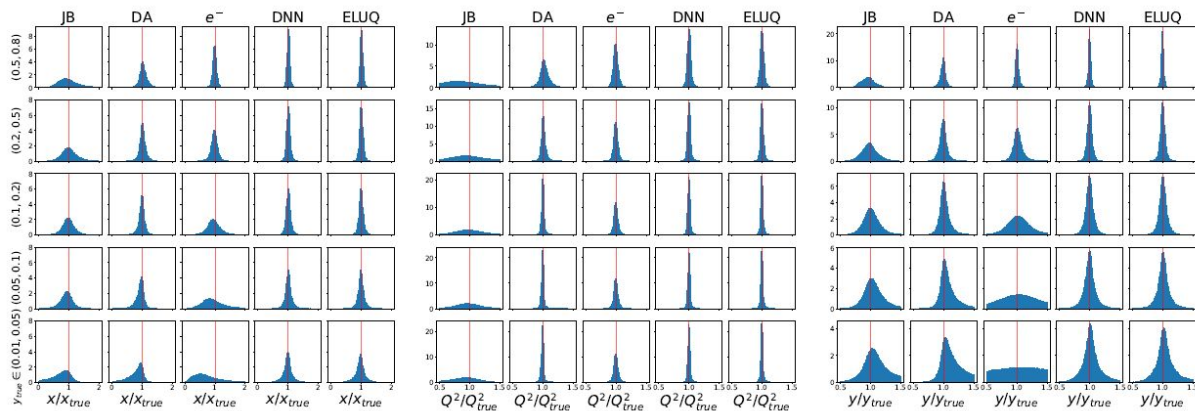
- The energy, η , and $\Delta\phi$ of the reconstructed photon that is closest to the electron beam direction, with $\Delta\phi$ wrt scattered electron
- Sum of ECAL energy within a cone $\Delta R < 0.4$ around the scattered electron divided by the scattered electron track momentum
- Number of ECAL clusters within a cone $\Delta R < 0.4$ around the scattered electron

And 8 additional features:

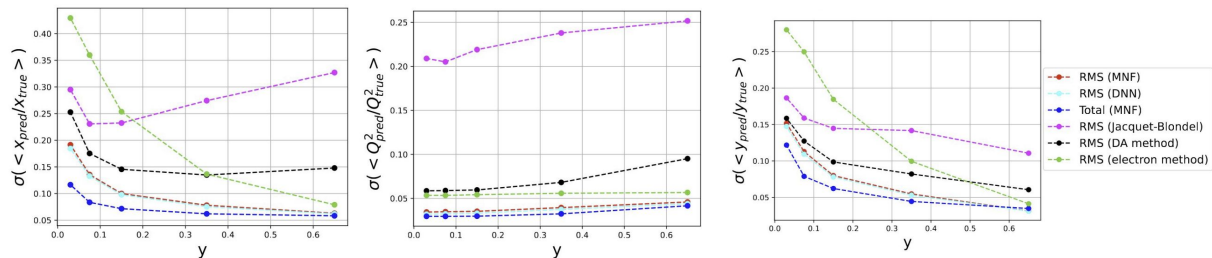
- Scattered electron $p_{T,e}$, $p_{z,e}$, E
- HFS 4-vector quantities T , $p_{z,h}$, E_h
- $\Delta\phi$ between the scattered electron and the HFS momentum vector
- The difference $\Sigma_e - \Sigma$

Dataset	Training Events	Validation Events	Testing Events	Size on Disk
H1	8.7×10^6	1.9×10^6	1.9×10^6	8 GB

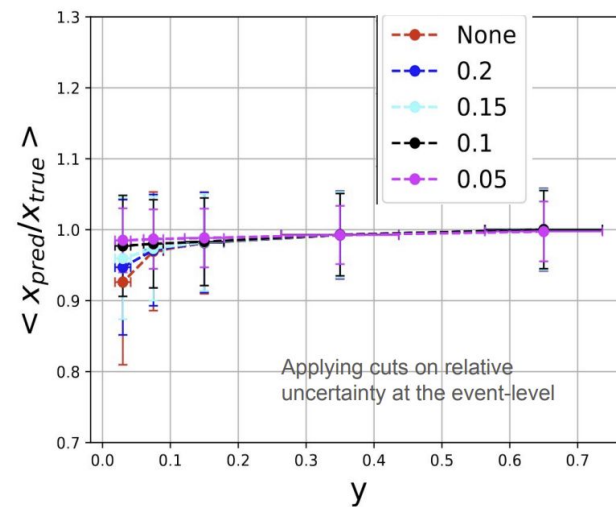
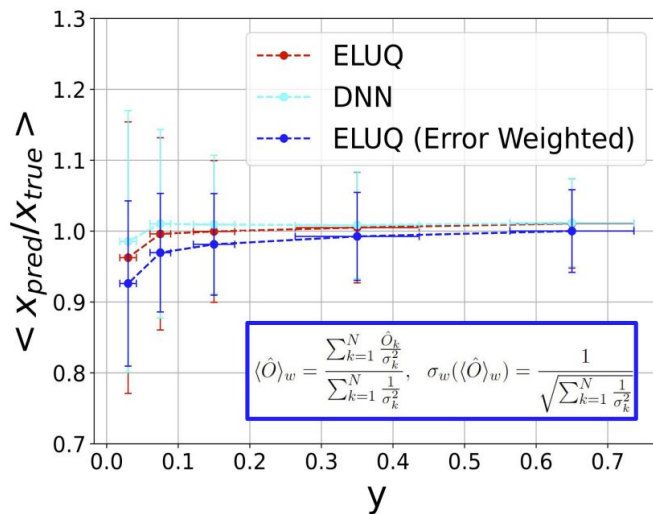
ELUQuant Performance Similar to DNN



- Reconstruction of NC DIS kinematics from H1 comparable to DNN, both are superior to traditional methods
- Total aleatoric+epistemic uncertainties from ELUQuant comparable to RMS from DNN
- Distributions broader at lower y , larger uncertainty



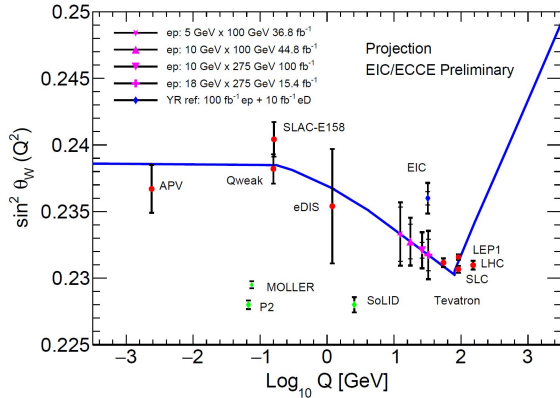
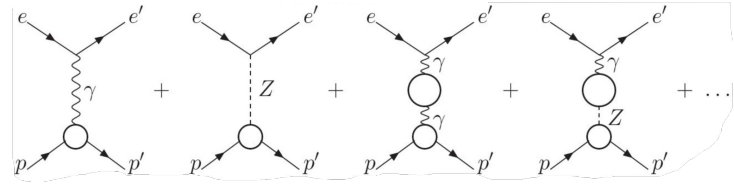
Leveraging the Event-Level Information



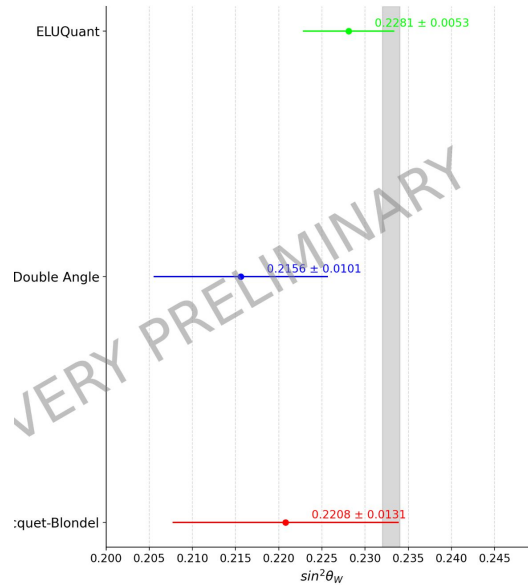
- The ability to remove events with large event-level uncertainty allows us to improve the ratio to truth
- Can be exploited for anomaly detection

Precision Measurement of $\sin^2\theta_W$

- Deviations from the SM prediction of the running of the weak mixing angle would be evidence of BSM
- Currently in progress: measuring $\sin^2\theta_W$ at EIC kinematics using kinematics reconstructed with ELUQuant



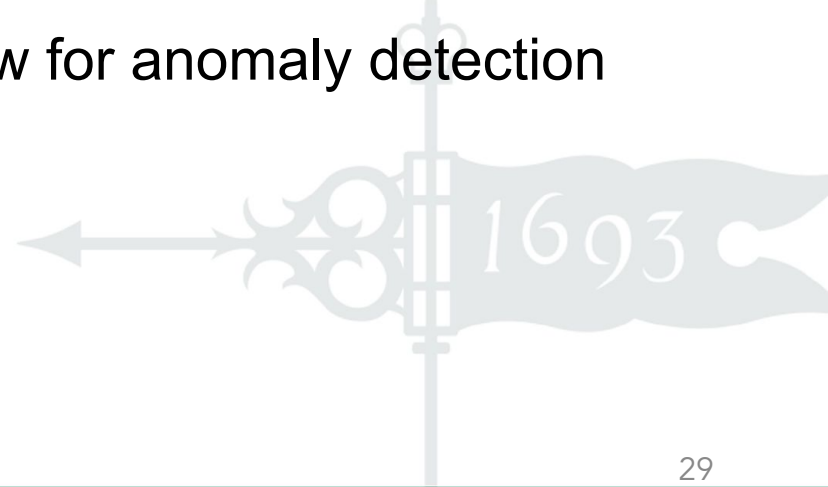
Boughezal et al. (2022) Phys. Rev. D 106, 016006



10M ep NC events generated by DJANGO, fast detector smearing with eic-smear

Summary

- Gradient Boosted Decision Trees with XGBoost demonstrate improved dark matter signal discrimination for BDX-MINI
- Flux + Mutability uses generative models in an unsupervised way to identify anomalies with respect to a reference class
- Event-level uncertainty quantification and kinematical reconstruction using BNN can allow for anomaly detection
- **Thank you!**



Backup Slides



Input Features for GlueX OCC

- LayerM.E** = $\sum_i^N E_i$
 $M \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ is the layer number and E_i is the energy of the i^{th} reconstructed point in the layer.
- LayerMbySumLayers.E** = $\frac{1}{E_{\text{total}}} \sum_i^N E_i$
 $M \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ is the layer number and E_i is the energy of the i^{th} reconstructed point in the layer.
- Z Width** = $\sqrt{\frac{1}{E_{\text{total}}} \sum_i^N E_i (\Delta z_i)^2}$, $\Delta z_i = (z_i + T_z) - S_z$
 E_i and z_i are the energy and z position of the i^{th} point in the shower.
- R Width** = $\sqrt{\frac{1}{E_{\text{total}}} \sum_i^N E_i (\Delta r_i)^2}$, $\Delta r_i = (R - r_i)$
 E_i and r_i are energy and radial position of the i^{th} point.
- T Width** = $\sqrt{\frac{1}{E_{\text{total}}} \sum_i^N E_i (\Delta t_i)^2}$, $\Delta t_i = t_i - S_t$
 E_i and t_i are the energy and timing information of the i^{th} point.
- θ Width** = $\sqrt{\frac{1}{E_{\text{total}}} \sum_i^N E_i (\Delta \theta_i)^2}$, $\Delta \theta_i = \theta_i - S_\theta$
 E_i and θ_i are the energy and polar angle (from the target center) of the i^{th} point.
- ϕ Width** = $\sqrt{\frac{1}{E_{\text{total}}} \sum_i^N E_i (\Delta \phi_i)^2}$, $\Delta \phi_i = \phi_i - S_\phi$
 E_i and ϕ_i are the energy and azimuthal angle of the i^{th} point.
- z Entry** = $(S_z - T_z) \frac{R}{S_r} + T_z$
 The position at which the particle hits the inner radius of the BCAL.

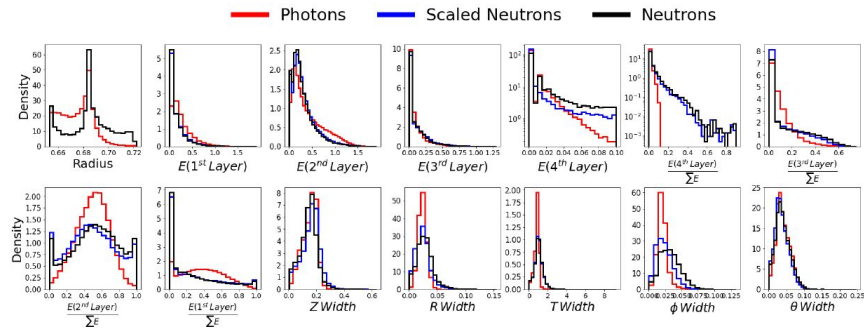


Figure C2: **Photon and neutron distributions:** Photon and neutron distributions. Original and scaled neutron distributions are also shown for comparison.

ELUQuant Computing Performance

Training Parameter	value
Max Epochs	100
Batch Size	1024
Decay Steps	50
Decay Factor (γ)	0.1
Physics Loss Scale (α)	1.0
KL Scale (β)	0.01
Training GPU Memory	\sim 1GB
Network memory on local storage	\sim 7MB
Trainable parameters	611,247
Wall Time	\sim 1 Day

Inference Parameter	value
Number of Samples (N)	10k
Batch Size	100
Inference GPU Memory	\sim 24GB
Inference Time per Event	\sim 20ms

ELUQuant at inference showed an impressive rate of 10,000 samples/event within a 20 milliseconds on an RTX 3090.