

# ML Density estimation for anomaly searches

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- We are still looking for BSM physics;
- No clear anomalies in the near future:
  - direct searches are not feasible;
  - reduce model assumption in favor of agnostic methods;
- No loss in sensitivity

Are we fully exploring our data?





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A ParticleNet classifier shows no information loss from discretization



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#### Samples from the network:





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- Proper training is essential: architecture, over-fitting, calibration, ...



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Create a representation space sensitive to dark jets Benchmark signal: semi-visible iets

- Z' = 2TeV dark sects mediator;
- $q_d$  dark quarks charged under  $SU(3)_d$ ;
- $m_{q_d} = 500 \text{MeV};$
- $\Lambda=m_{\pi_d}=m_{
  ho_d}=$  5GeV;

QCD-like showers with fraction of invisible particles





- Neural Networks are not invariant to physical symmetries in data
- Typically solved through "pre-processing"
- Self-supervision: during training we use pseudo-labels, not truth labels

Key aspects of representations:

- invariance to certain transformations of the jet/event
- discriminative power

#### In CLR we construct a mapping to a new representation space



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Train a Transformer-encoder network to map the data to a new repr. space,  $\ z:\mathcal{Z}
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$$\mathcal{L} = s(z_i, z_i^*) - s(z_i, z_i') \qquad \qquad s(z_i, z_j) = \frac{z_i \cdot z_j}{|z_i| |z_j|} \tag{3}$$



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# Applying $p_{drop}$ to a QCD jet:



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• (N)AutoEncoder based anomaly score: MSE(x, D(E(x)))

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{-E_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})}}{\Omega} \qquad E_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = MSE(\mathbf{x}, D(E(\mathbf{x})))$$
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The corresponding anomaly score will be (approx) invariant to the augmentations







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- divide feature in signal and control region;
- get a background template in SR;
- train a classifier between datasets with noisy labels;
- *w<sub>noisy</sub>* is still optimal:
  - monotonically increasing function of w<sub>true</sub>;



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Dataset:

- signal:  $W' \to XY$  with  $X/Y \to qq$
- $m_{W'} = 3.5$ TeV,  $m_X = 0.5$ TeV,  $m_Y = 0.1$ TeV;

Feature selection is an issue:

- start from 4 features;
- extended sets up to 56 features
- "Extended 1" has uninformative features!

	Name	# features	Features
	Baseline	4	$\{m_{J_1}, \Delta m_J, \tau_{21}^{\beta=1,J_1}, \tau_{21}^{\beta=1,J_2}\}$
	Extended 1	10	$\{m_{J_1}, \Delta m_J, \tau_{N,N-1}^{\beta=1,J_1}, \tau_{N,N-1}^{\beta=1,J_2}\}$
			for $2 \le N \le 5$
	Extended 2	12	$\{m_{J_1}, \Delta m_J, \tau_N^{\beta=1,J_1}, \tau_N^{\beta=1,J_2}\}$
			for $N \leq 5$
	Extended 3	56	$\{m_{J_1},\Delta m_J, au_N^{eta,J_1}, au_N^{eta,J_2}\}$
			for $N \leq 9$ and $\beta \in \{0.5, 1, 2\}$









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# Thanks for your attention!



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