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UNVEILING BSM HIDDEN PHYSICS WITH MACHINE LEARNING

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Following the discovery of an SM-like Higgs boson at the Large Hadron Collider the chief focus is on the observation of new phenomena beyond the Standard Model.

Such observations would provide clear guiding principles for the future of the entire field that are, given the present discussions on future colliders all over the world, more crucial than ever before.

So far, inclusive and model dependent searches have not provided evidence of new resonances, indicating that these could be driven by more subtle topologies, hidden by large backgrounds.

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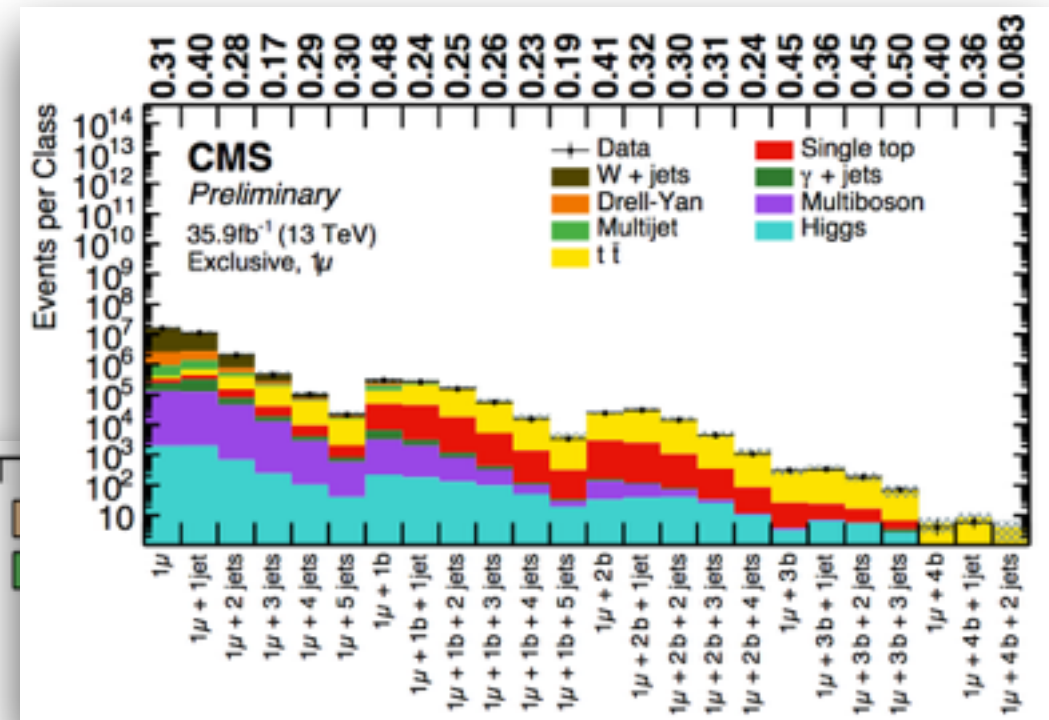
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Recently correlated to DNN by [D'Agnolo et. al., 2018, Simone et. al., 2018]



[ATLAS,1807.07447]

=> Benefit sensitivity study (especially data-driven) and the subsequent NP identification



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Novelty detection is the task of classifying test data that differ in some respect from the data that are available during training. This may be seen as “one-class classification”, in which a model is constructed to describe “normal” training data. The novelty detection approach is typically used when the quantity of available “abnormal” data is insufficient to construct explicit models for non-normal classes. Application includes inference in datasets from critical systems, where the quantity of available normal data is very large, such that “normality” may be accurately modelled. In this review we aim to provide an updated and structured investigation of novelty detection research papers that have appeared in the machine learning literature during the last decade.

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Novelty detection - a task in ML closely related to this goal

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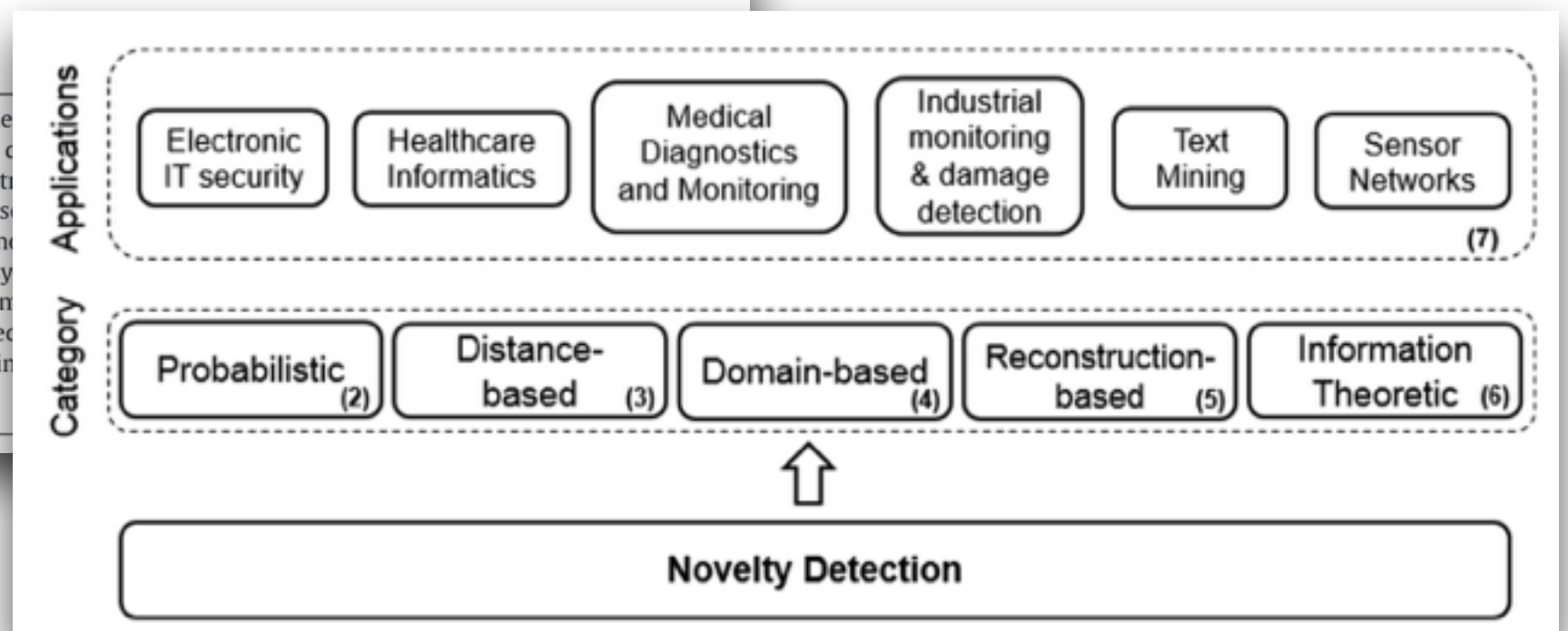
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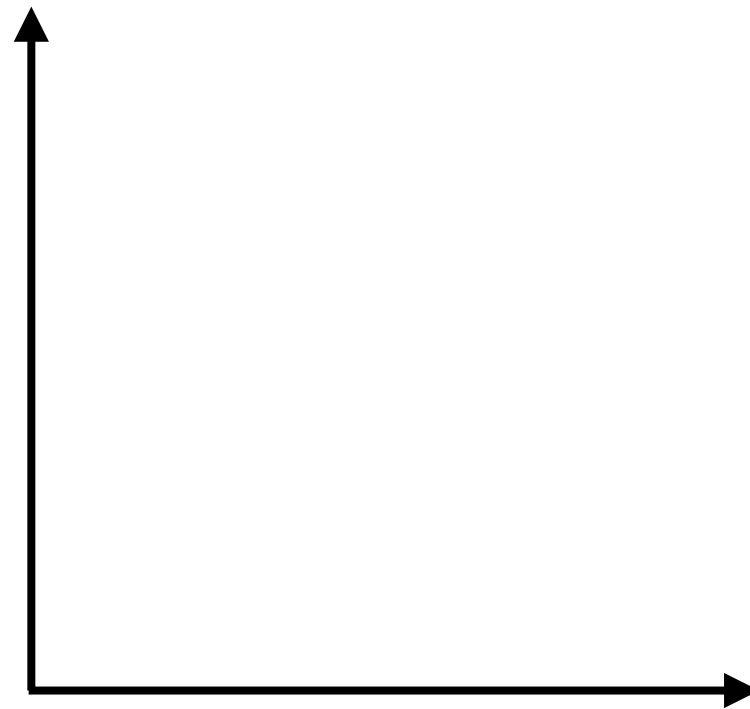
The history of addressing “novelty detection” is essentially one of developing novelty evaluators/evaluating methods for the testing sample

These evaluators/evaluating methods in principle can be applied to both semi-supervised and fully unsupervised learning which are distinguished by how to model the backgrounds (simulation-based or data-driven)



Broad Classification of Novelty Evaluators

Clustering (density)-based

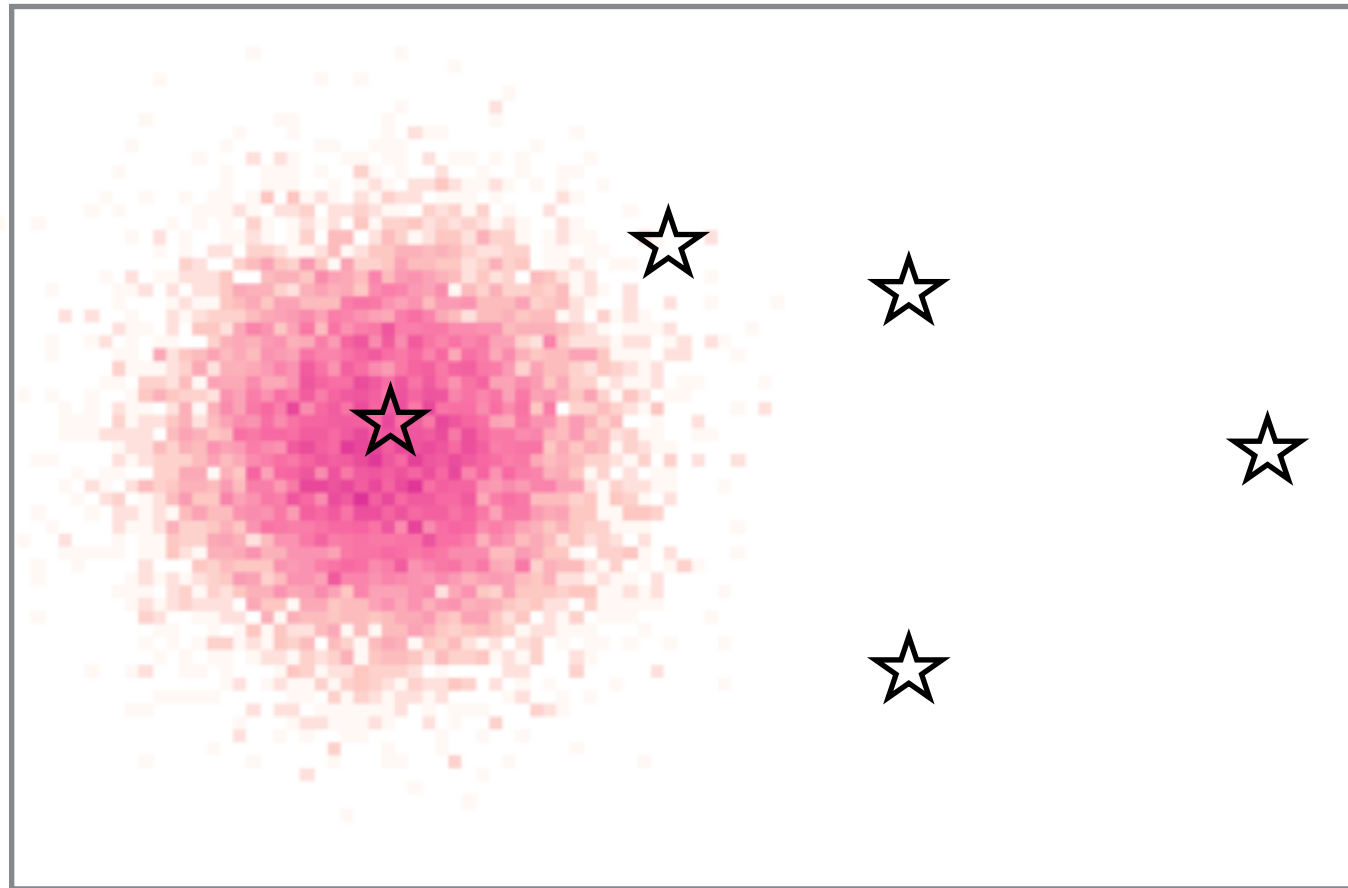


Isolation-based

[J. Hajer, Y. Li, TL, H. Wang; arXiv:1807.10261]



Isolation-based



The novelty of a given testing point (☆) is evaluated according to its distance to or isolation from the distribution of the “known-pattern” data in the feature space (the “known-pattern” data distribution could be either from simulation or from the control-region data).

The other testing points in the sample are irrelevant.



Isolation-based I: k-Nearest Neighbors

$$\Delta_{\text{iso}} = \frac{d_{\text{train}} - \langle d'_{\text{train}} \rangle}{\langle d'^2_{\text{train}} \rangle^{1/2}} \quad \mathcal{O} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \text{erf} \left(\frac{c\Delta}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right)$$

Novelty measure: range unnormalized

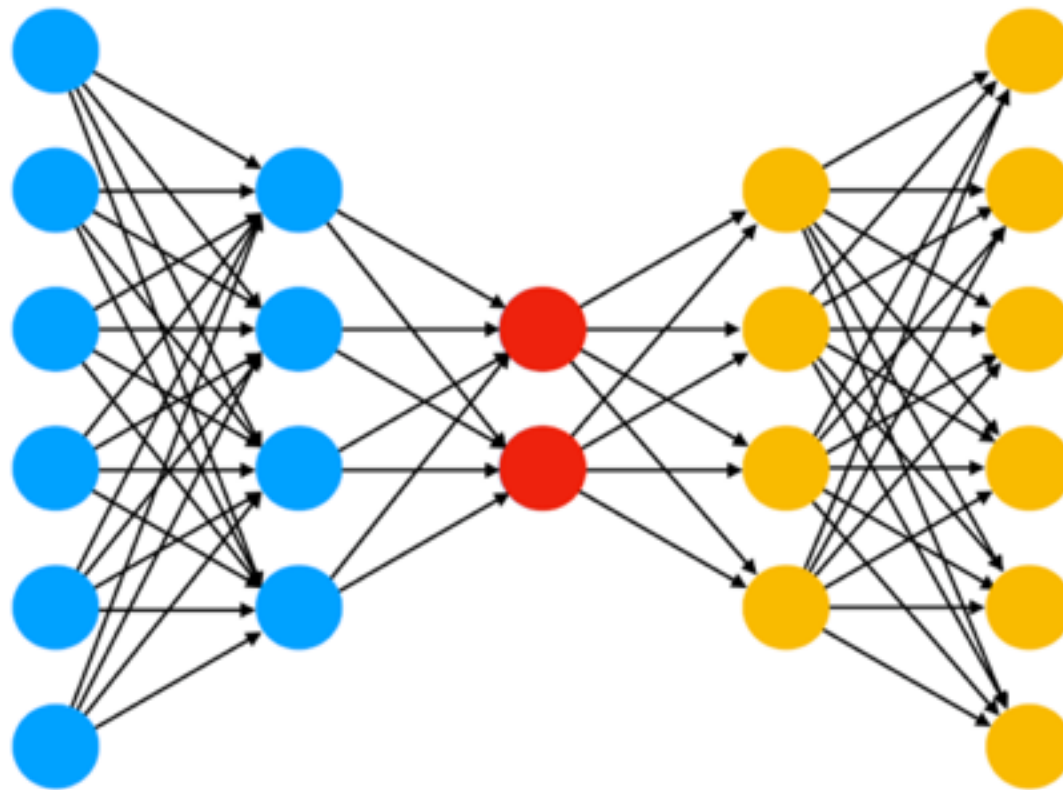
Novelty evaluator: $0 \leq \mathcal{O} \leq 1$

- d_{train} : mean distance of a testing data point to its k nearest neighbors
- $\langle d'_{\text{train}} \rangle$: average of the mean distances defined for its k nearest neighbors
- $\langle d'^2_{\text{train}} \rangle^{1/2}$: standard deviation of the latter
- All quantities are defined w.r.t. the training sample

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Isolation-based II: Reconstruction Error



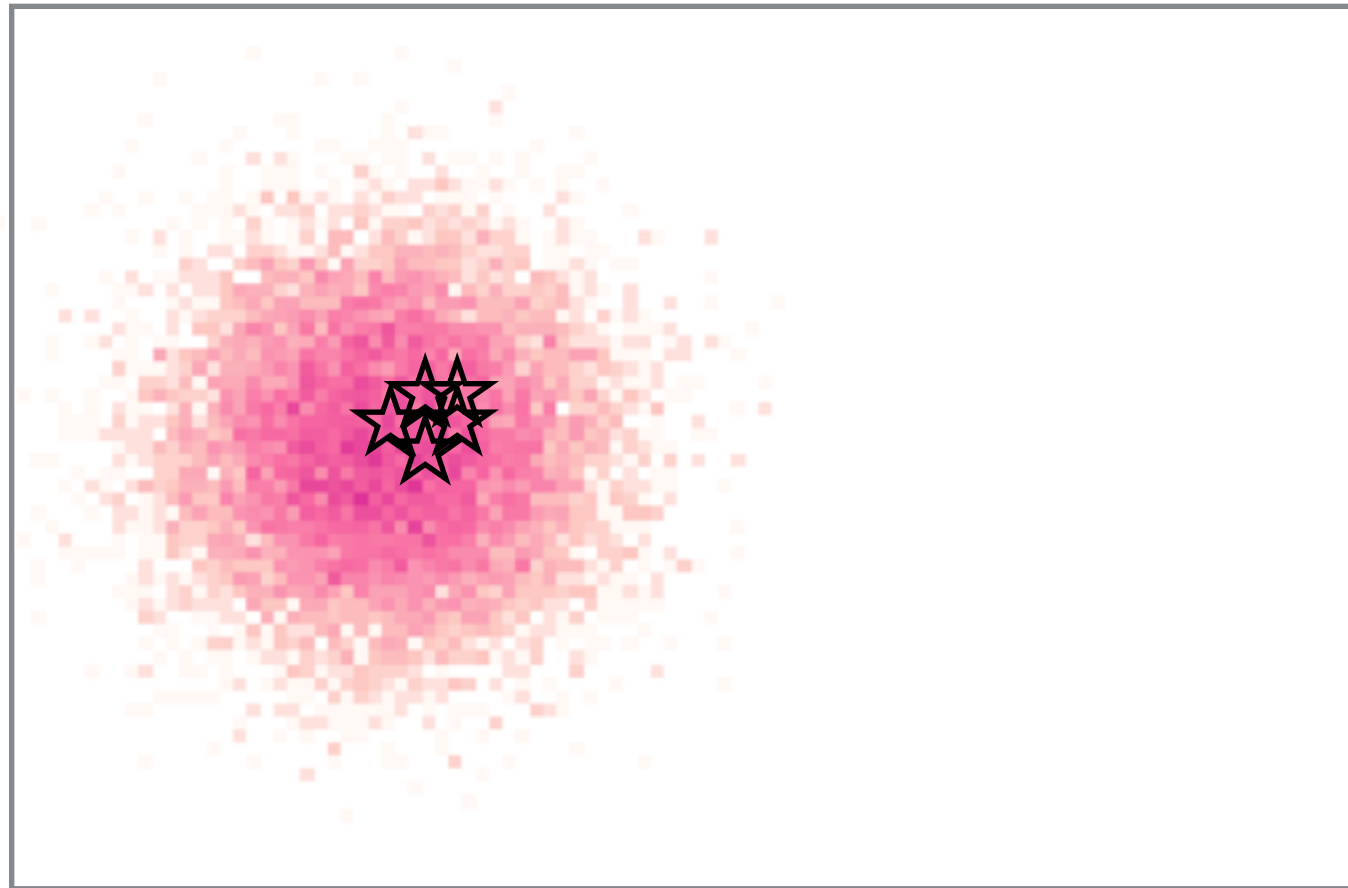
$$L = |x - x'|^2$$

[T. Heime et. al.; M. Farina et. al; 2018]

- Reconstruction error: a measure of the distance of the testing point to the distribution of the known-pattern data
- In essence, isolation-based



Clustering (density)-based



The novelty of a given testing point is evaluated according to the data clustering around this point on top of the known-pattern data distribution in the feature space.

The testing data around this given testing point are relevant.



Clustering (Density)-based I: k-Nearest Neighbors

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$$\Delta_{\text{iso}} = \frac{d_{\text{train}} - \langle d'_{\text{train}} \rangle}{\langle d'^2_{\text{train}} \rangle^{1/2}}$$

$$\Delta_{\text{clu}} = \frac{d_{\text{test}}^{-m} - d_{\text{train}}^{-m}}{d_{\text{train}}^{-m/2}}$$

- d_{train} : mean distance of a testing data point to its k nearest neighbors in the training dataset
- d_{test} : mean distance of a testing data point to its k nearest neighbors in the testing dataset
- m: dimension of the feature space
- Novelty response is evaluated by comparing local densities of the testing point in the training and testing samples



Clustering (Density)-based II: ANODE

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High Energy Physics – Phenomenology

Anomaly Detection with Density Estimation

Benjamin Nachman, David Shih

(Submitted on 14 Jan 2020)

We leverage recent breakthroughs in neural density estimation to propose a n

More specifically, ANODE attempts to learn two densities: $p_{\text{data}}(x|m)$ and $p_{\text{background}}(x|m)$ for $m \in \text{SR}$. Then, classification is performed with the likelihood ratio

$$R(x|m) = \frac{p_{\text{data}}(x|m)}{p_{\text{background}}(x|m)}. \quad (3.1)$$

In the ideal case that $p_{\text{data}}(x|m) = \alpha p_{\text{background}}(x|m) + (1 - \alpha) p_{\text{signal}}(x|m)$ for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ and $m \in \text{SR}$, Eq. 3.1 is the optimal test statistic for identifying the presence of signal. In the absence of signal, $R(x|m) = 1$, so as long as $p_{\text{signal}}(x|m) \neq p_{\text{background}}(x|m)$, this leads to a zero-background search.

Novelty response is evaluated by comparing probability densities of the testing point in the “background” and “data” samples



Synergy of Both

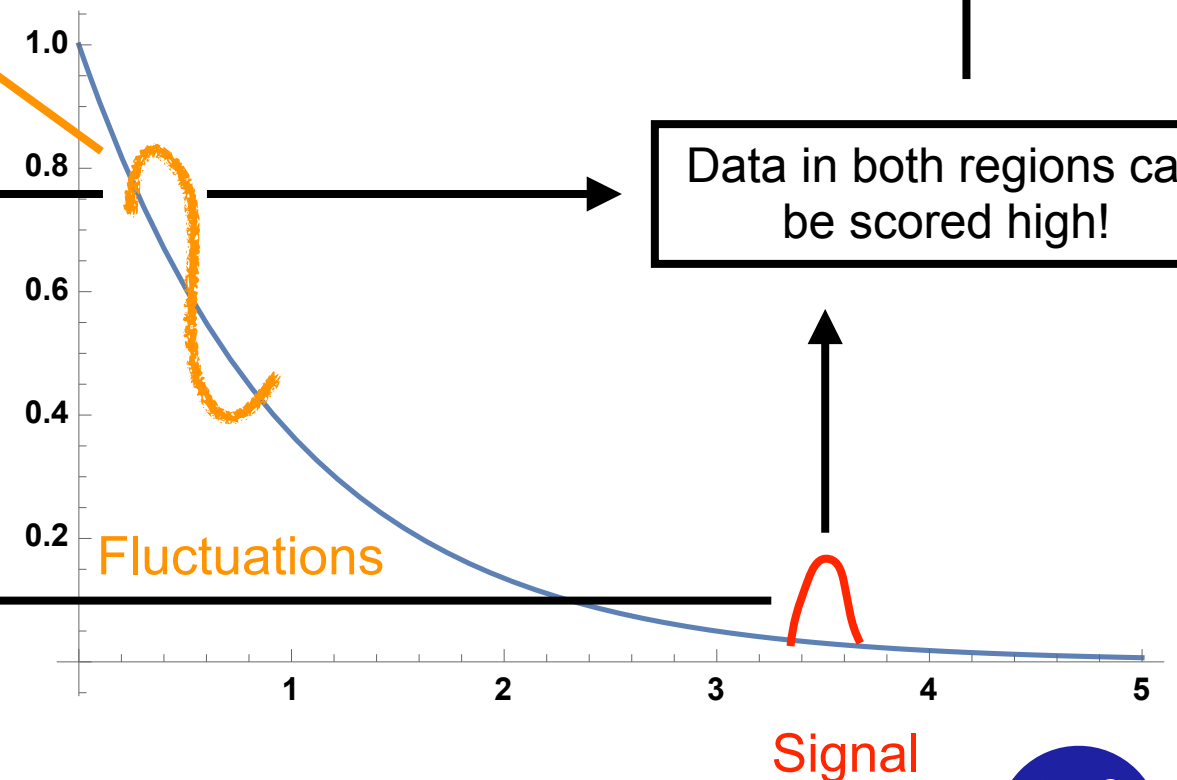
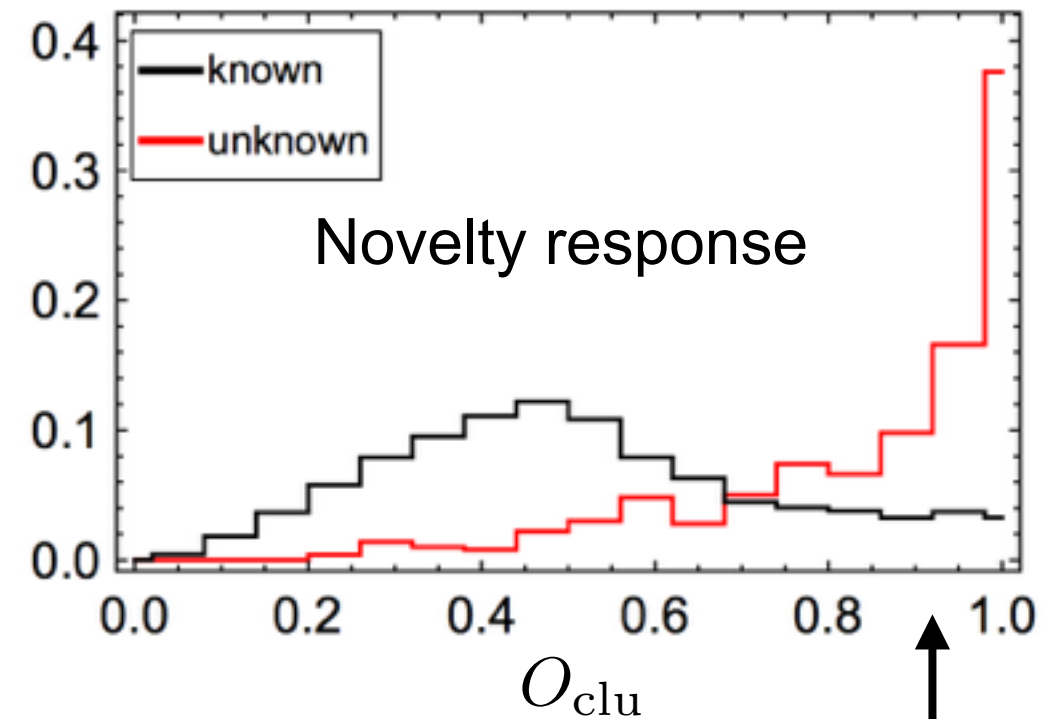
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$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{syn}} = \sqrt{\mathcal{O}_{\text{iso}} \mathcal{O}_{\text{clu}}}$$

Expect the $\mathcal{O}_{\text{clu}}$ high scoring for the known-pattern data from non-signal bulk to be compensated for by their low-scoring from $\mathcal{O}_{\text{iso}}$

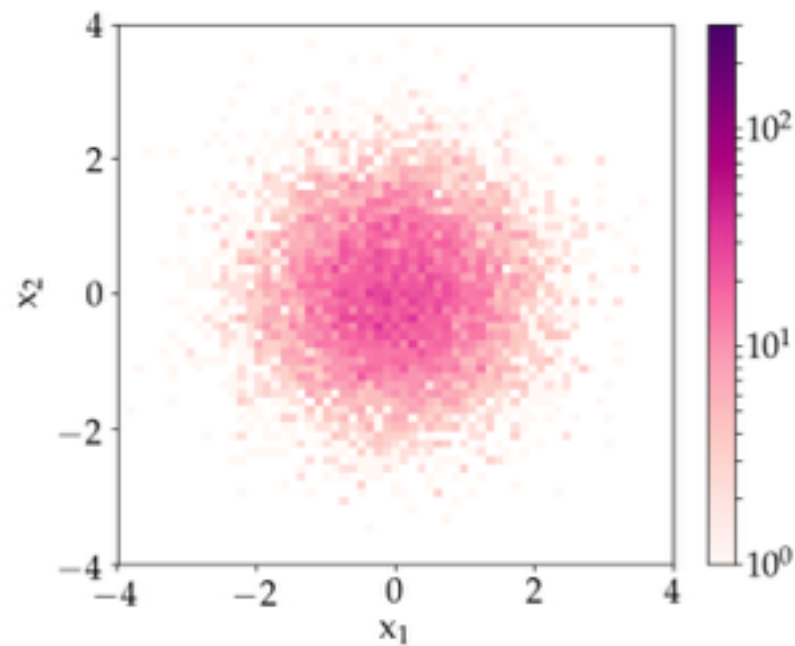
Scored low by $\mathcal{O}_{\text{iso}}$

Scored high by $\mathcal{O}_{\text{iso}}$

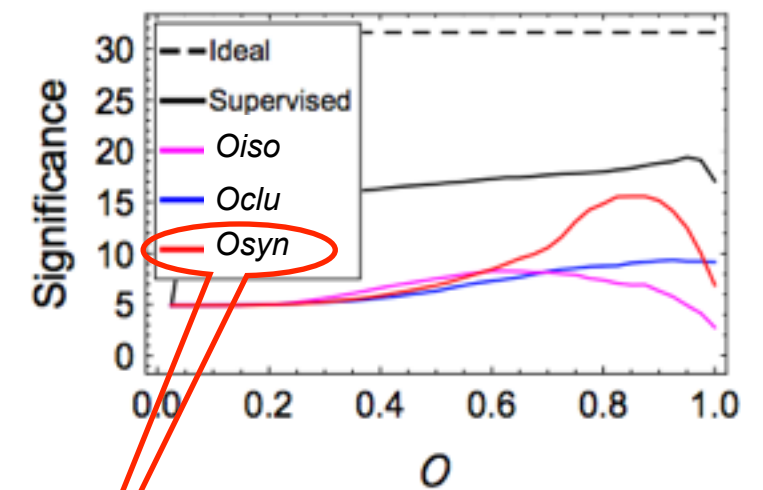
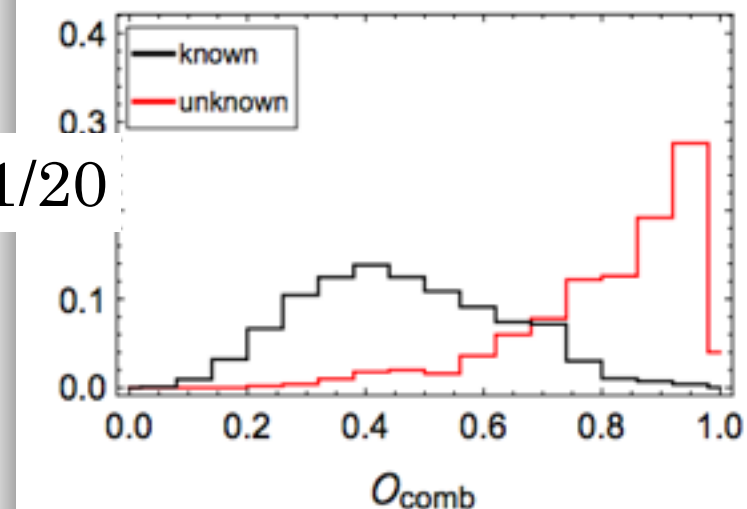
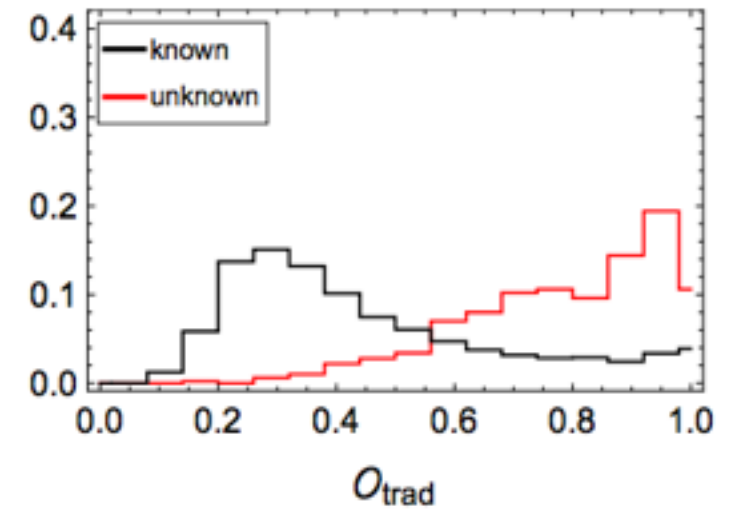
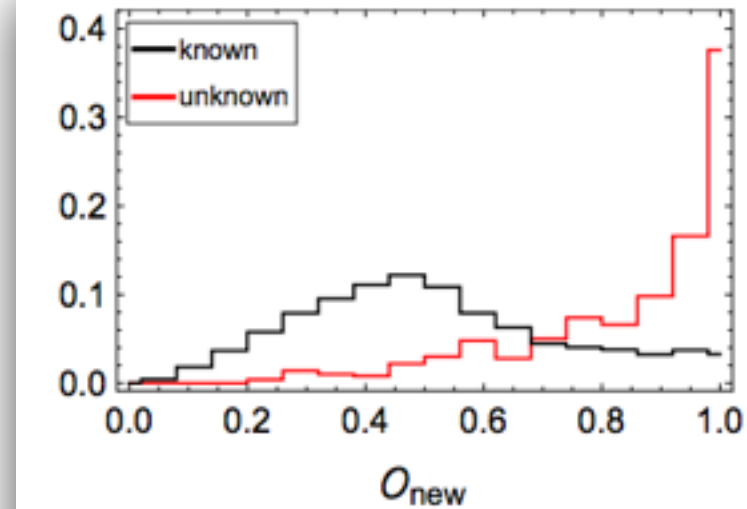




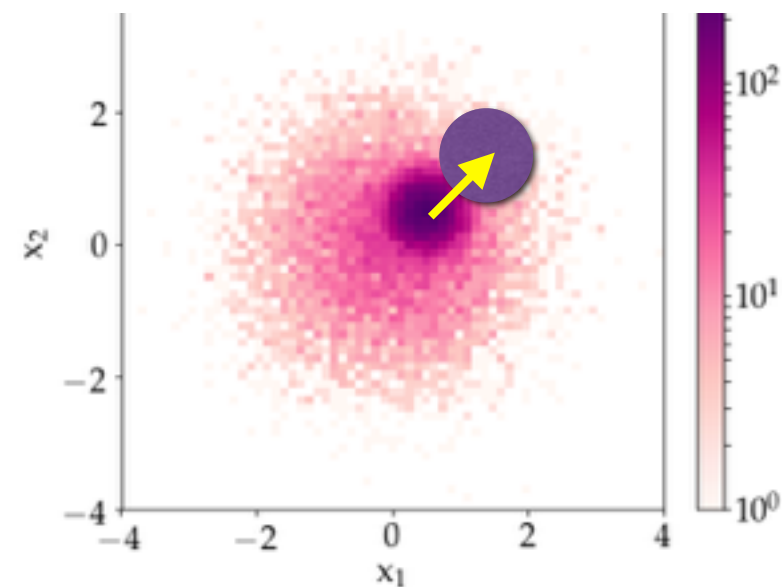
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(a) Training data.



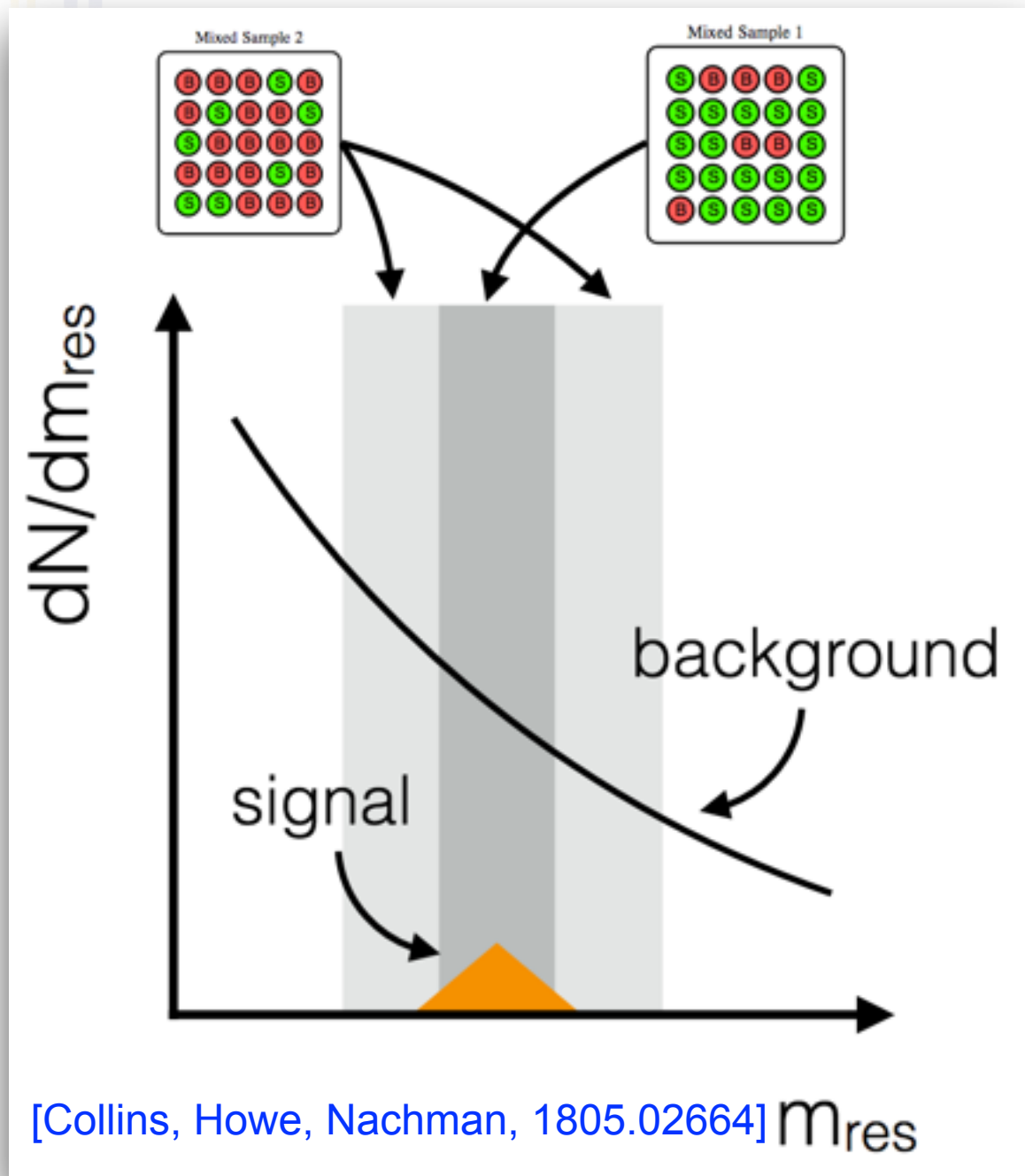
Significance curve for the synergy-based evaluator



(b) Testing data.



Weakly-supervised Learning/CWoLa



- Assign labels to each event in the mixed samples ($0 \Rightarrow M0$; $1 \Rightarrow M1$) and then performs supervised learning
- $S0/B0 \neq S1/B1$: optimize $S0/B0$ vs $S1/B1 \Leftrightarrow$ optimize S vs B
- If $S0/B0 \Rightarrow 0$, $S1/B1 \Rightarrow 1$, then reduced to fully supervising learning

Novelty evaluation ($\Rightarrow$ mixed samples in favor of S [high-score bin] and B [low-score bin], respectively) can be combined with the WSL algorithm, to further improve the sensitivity performance of the classifier for novelty detection



First application to Real Data

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High Energy Physics – Experiment

[Submitted on 6 May 2020]

Dijet resonance search with weak supervision using $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV pp collisions in the ATLAS detector

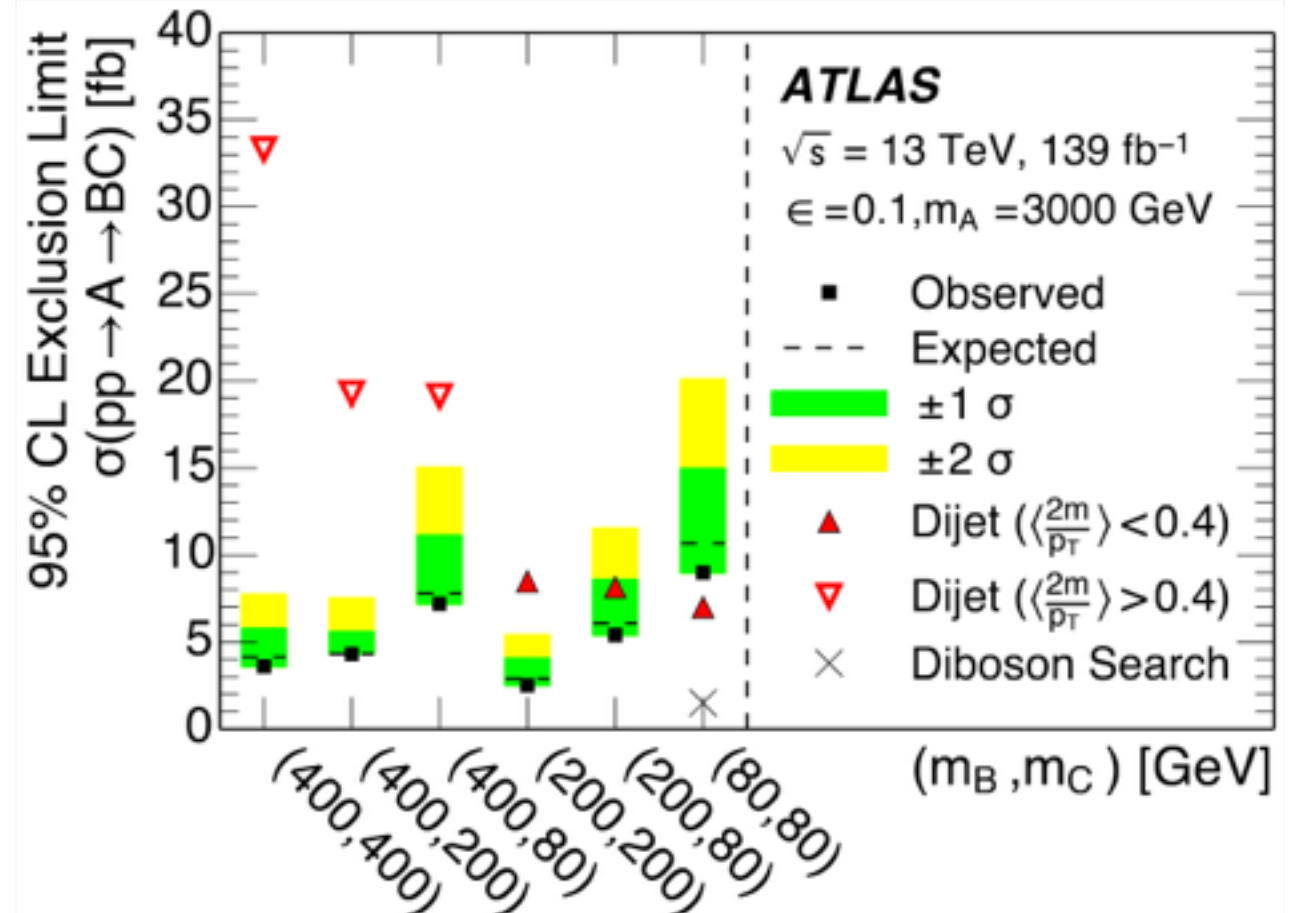
ATLAS Collaboration

This Letter describes a search for resonant new physics using a machine-learning anomaly detection procedure that does not rely on a signal model hypothesis. Weakly supervised learning is used to train classifiers directly on data to enhance potential signals. The targeted topology is $pp \rightarrow A \rightarrow BC$ and the features used for machine learning are the masses of the two jets. The resulting analysis is equivalent to a search for a resonance A with $m_A \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$, $m_B, m_C \sim \mathcal{O}(100 \text{ GeV})$ and B, C are reconstructed as jets. The search is associated with a large trials factor in the scan of the mass space. The analysis is performed on collision data set of 139 fb^{-1} recorded by the ATLAS detector. There is no significant evidence of a localized excess in the data. Cross-section limits for narrow-width A , B , and C pairs are derived. For example, for $m_A = 3 \text{ TeV}$ and $m_B \gtrsim 200 \text{ GeV}$, a production cross section limit of $\sigma(pp \rightarrow A \rightarrow BC) \lesssim 10 \text{ fb}$ is obtained at the 95% CL. For certain masses, these limits are comparable to the inclusive dijet search.

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New Idea Testing

Despite this progress, most of these new ideas are proof-of-concept =>
Needs to test their performance in a more realistic environment

Many new approaches inspired by (or at least demonstrated on) the **LHC Olympics 2020 Data Challenge**

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A Community Challenge for Anomaly
Detection in High Energy Physics



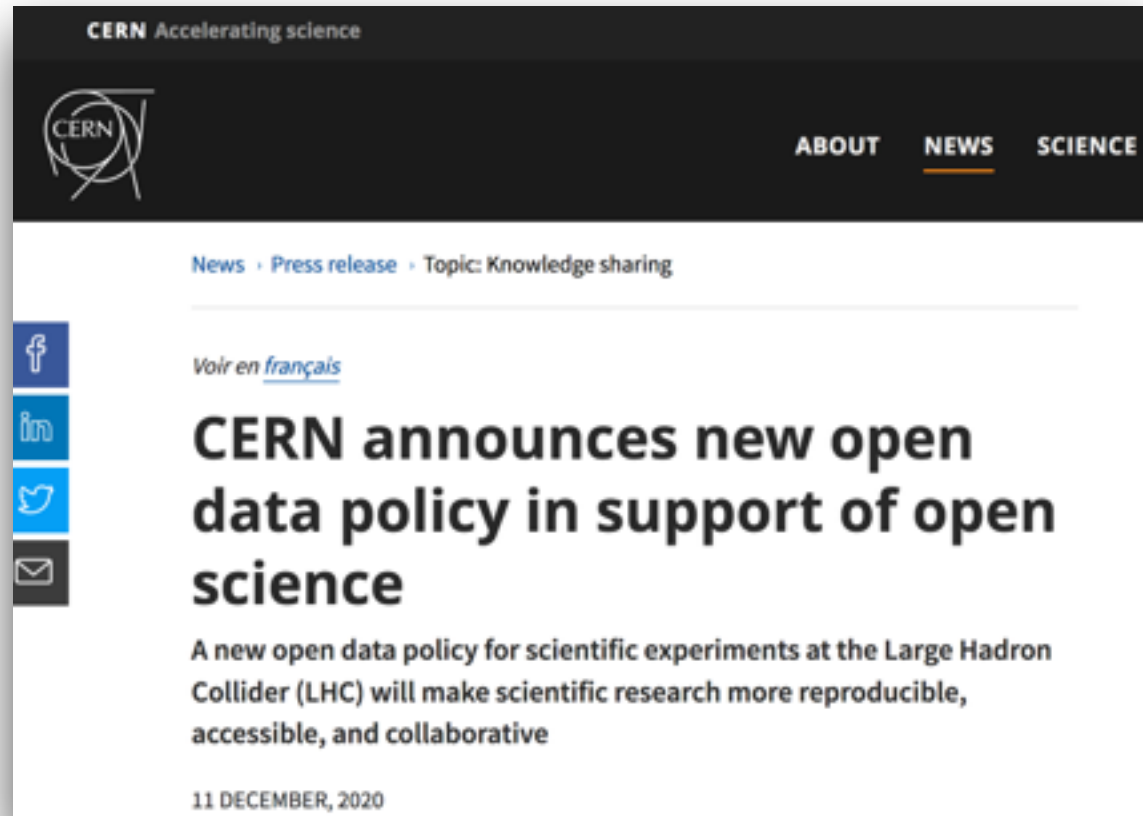
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High Energy Physics – Experiment

[Submitted on 4 May 2020]

Adversarially Learned Anomaly Detection on CMS Open Data: re-discovering the top quark

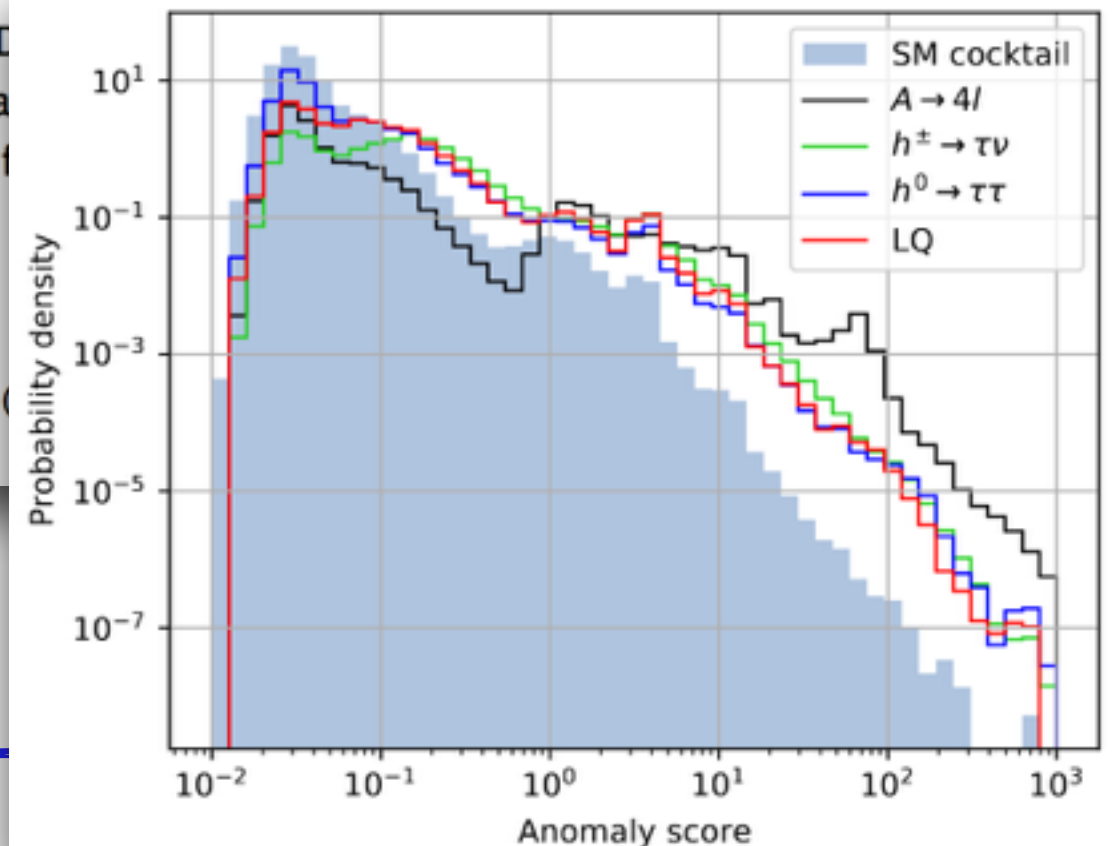
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We apply an Adversarially Learned Anomaly Detection (ALAD) algorithm to the problem of detecting new physics processes in proton-proton collisions at the Large Hadron Collider.

Anomaly detection based on ALAD matches performances reached by Variational Autoencoders with a substantial improvement in some cases. Training the ALAD on CMS Open Data, we show how a data-driven anomaly detection can be used in real life, re-discovering the top quark by identifying the main experimental signature at the LHC.

Comments: 16 pages, 9 figures

Subjects: High Energy Physics – Experiment (hep-ex); Machine Learning (cs.LG); Phenomenology (hep-ph)





Summary

- The null results for the NP searches at LHC strongly call for strategies of searching for highly unexpected signals
- The ML techniques developed for novelty/anomaly detection in last decades come in handy
- Open data, committed for open science, provides a great opportunity to fill up the gap between proof of concept of these ideas and real data analysis

Thank you!



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