

Anomaly Detection for Experimental Physics

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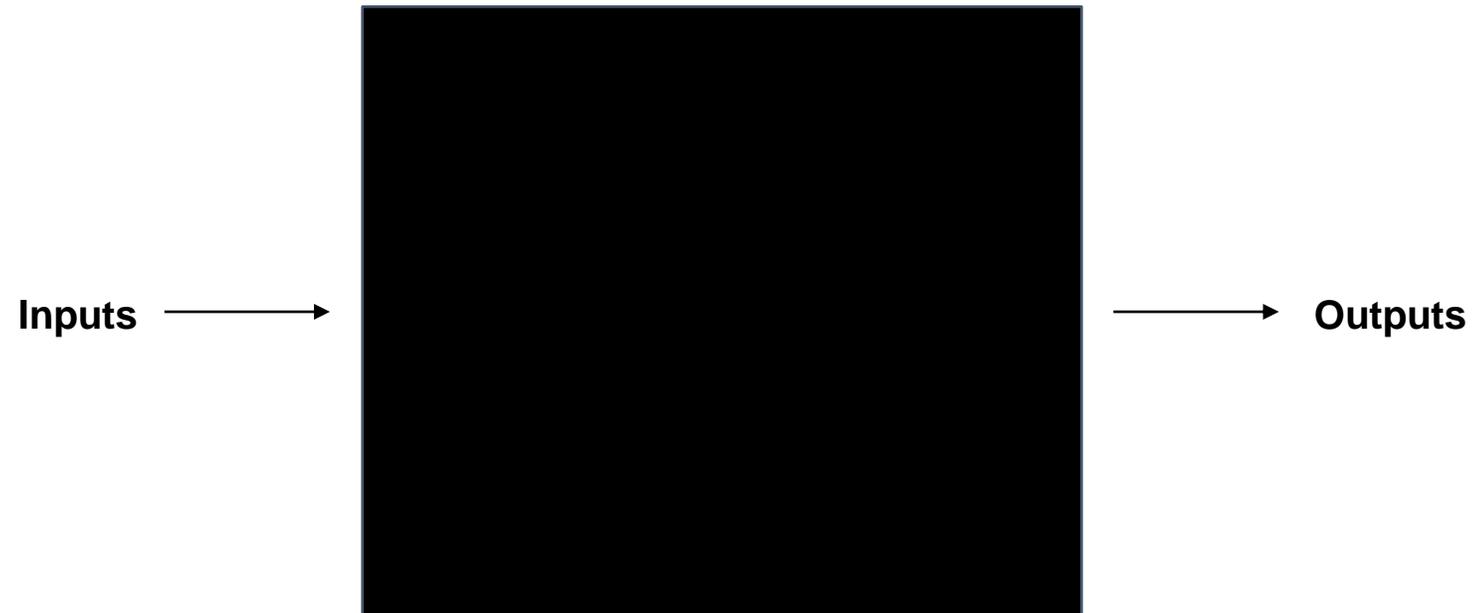
Three-Step Rabbit Hole

I want to present you with 3 (increasingly complicated) ways* to detect anomalies in your experiment:

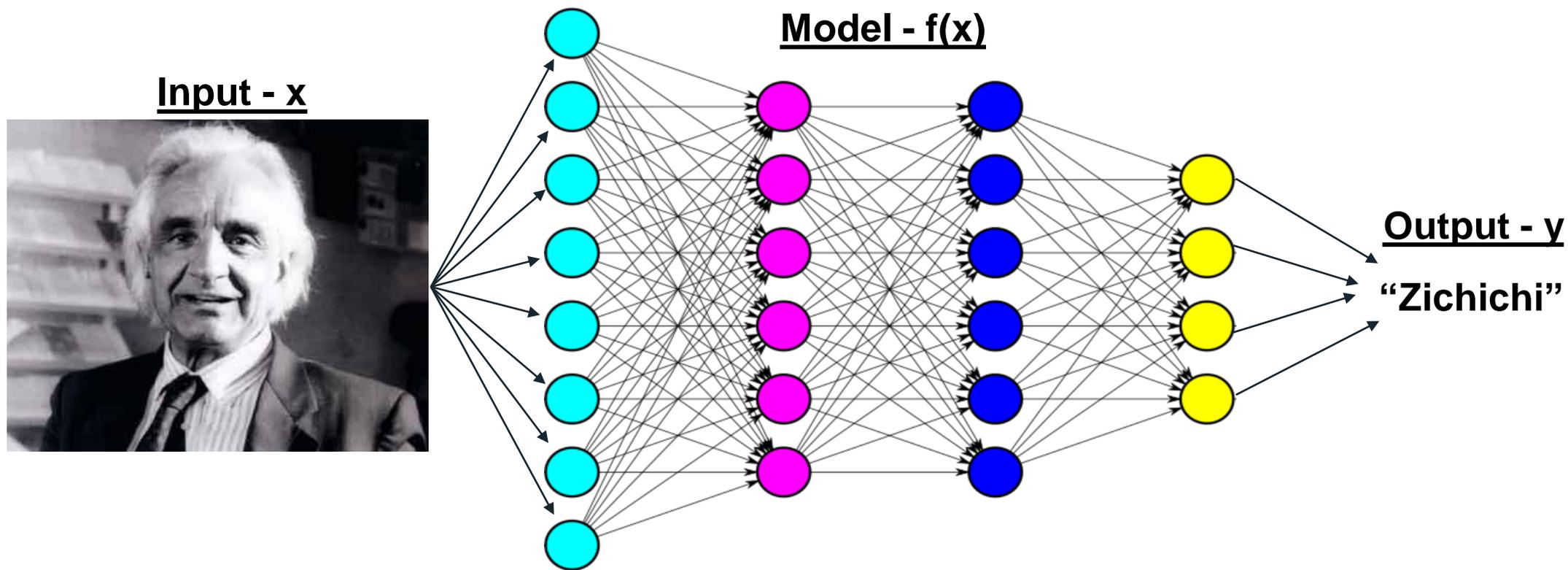
1. Autoencoder anomaly detection
2. Quasi-Anomalous Knowledge (QUAK)
3. Latent-Space deep metric learning

*Not all my work - in collaboration with P. Harris (MIT), S.E. Park (MIT), M. Yunis (MIT), D. Rankin (MIT), M. Pierini (CERN)

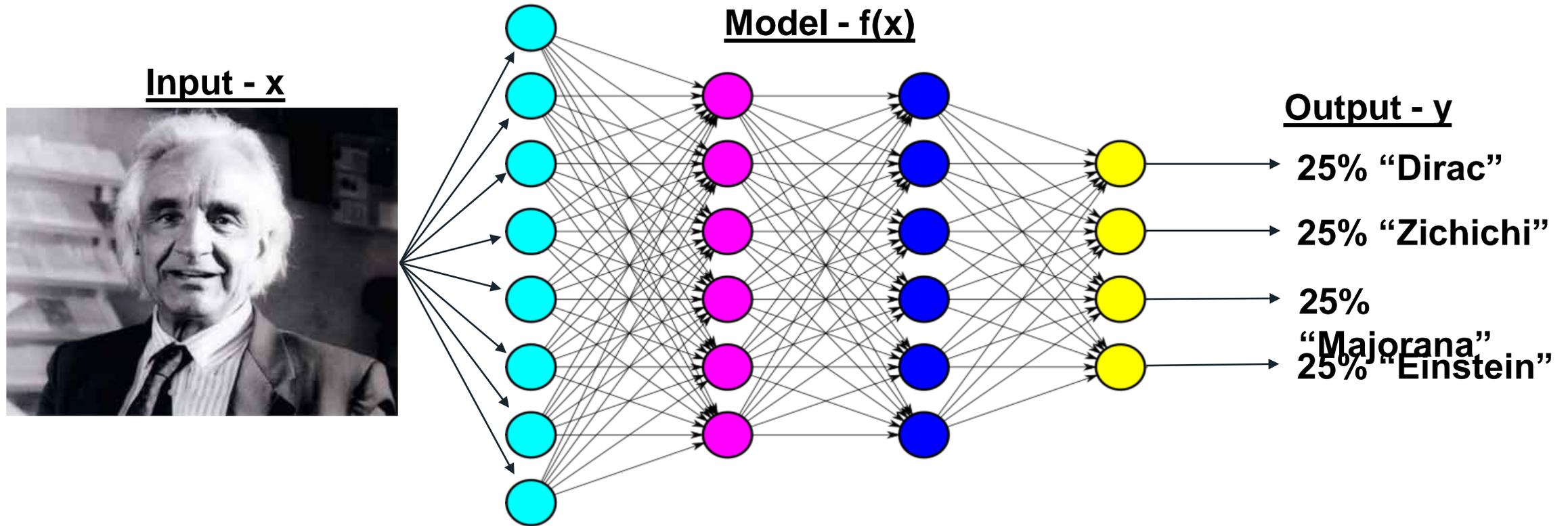
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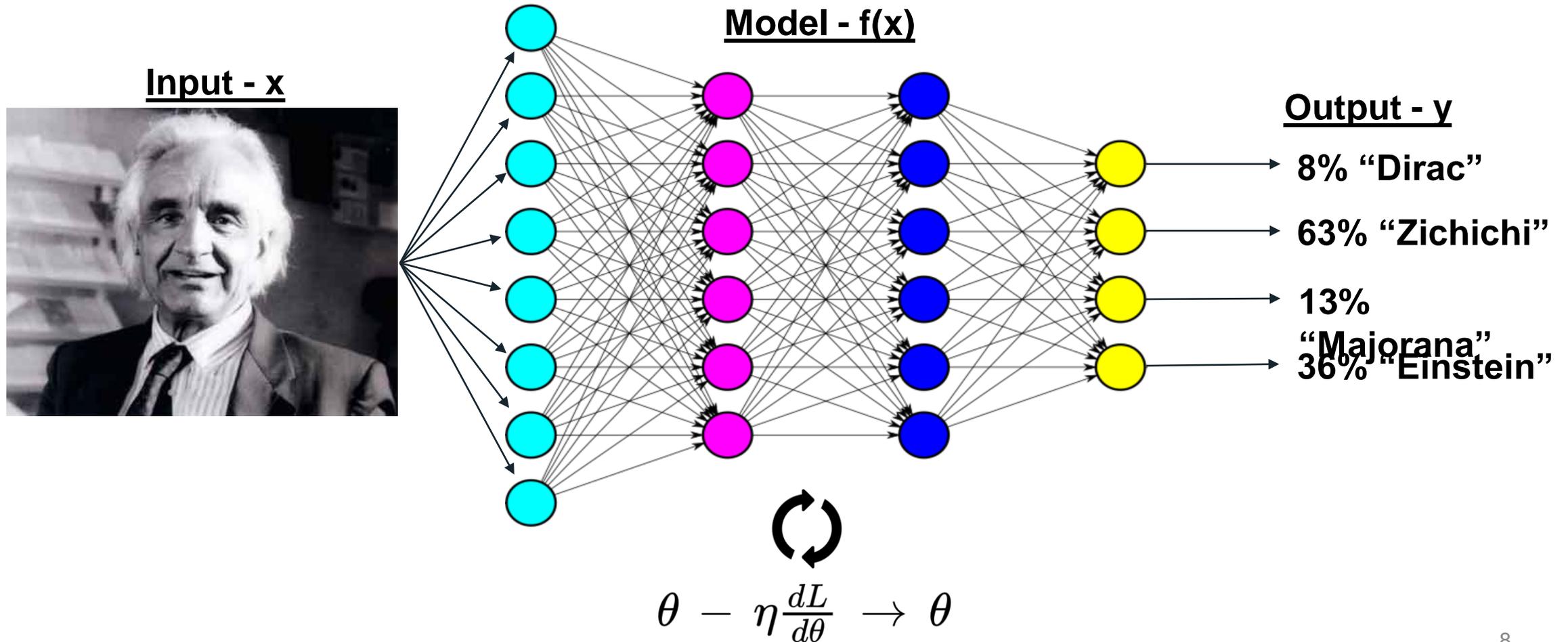


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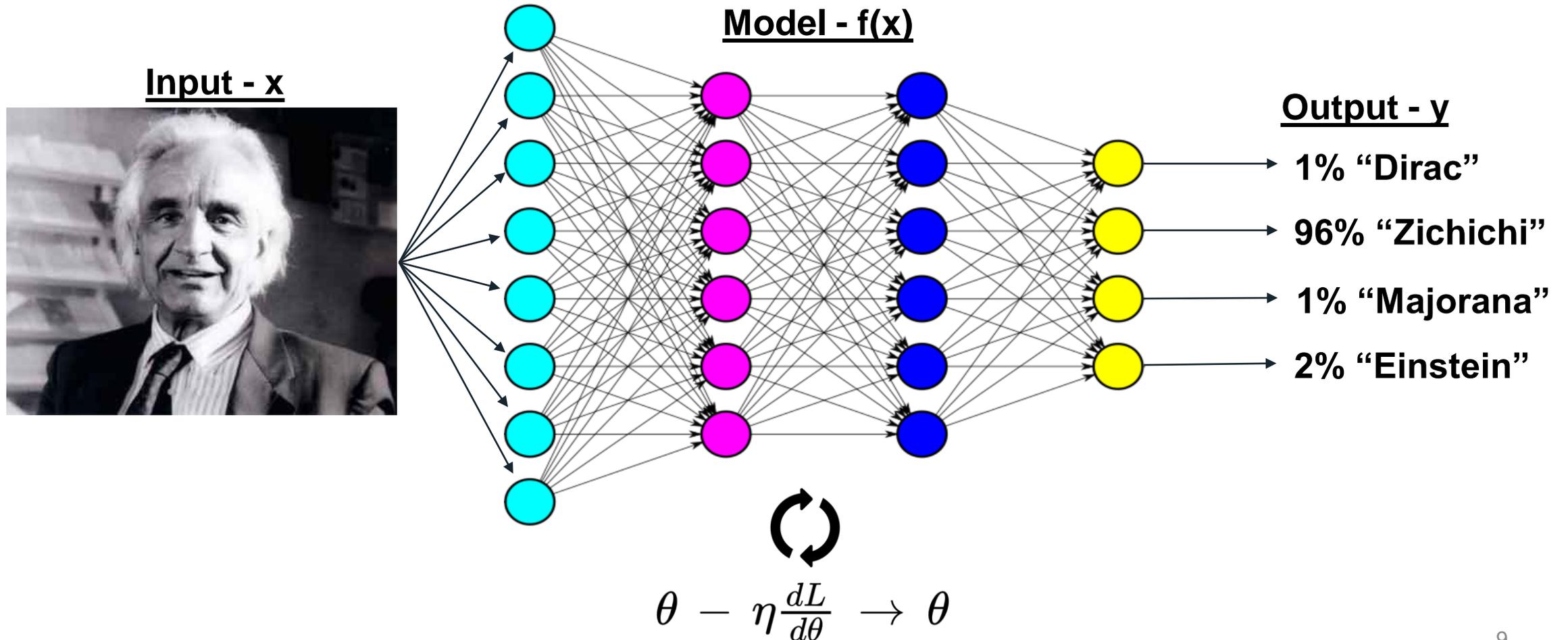


Weights θ at each of these connections encode the network's knowledge. Weights are continually updated using gradient descent $\frac{dJ}{d\theta} \rightarrow \theta$

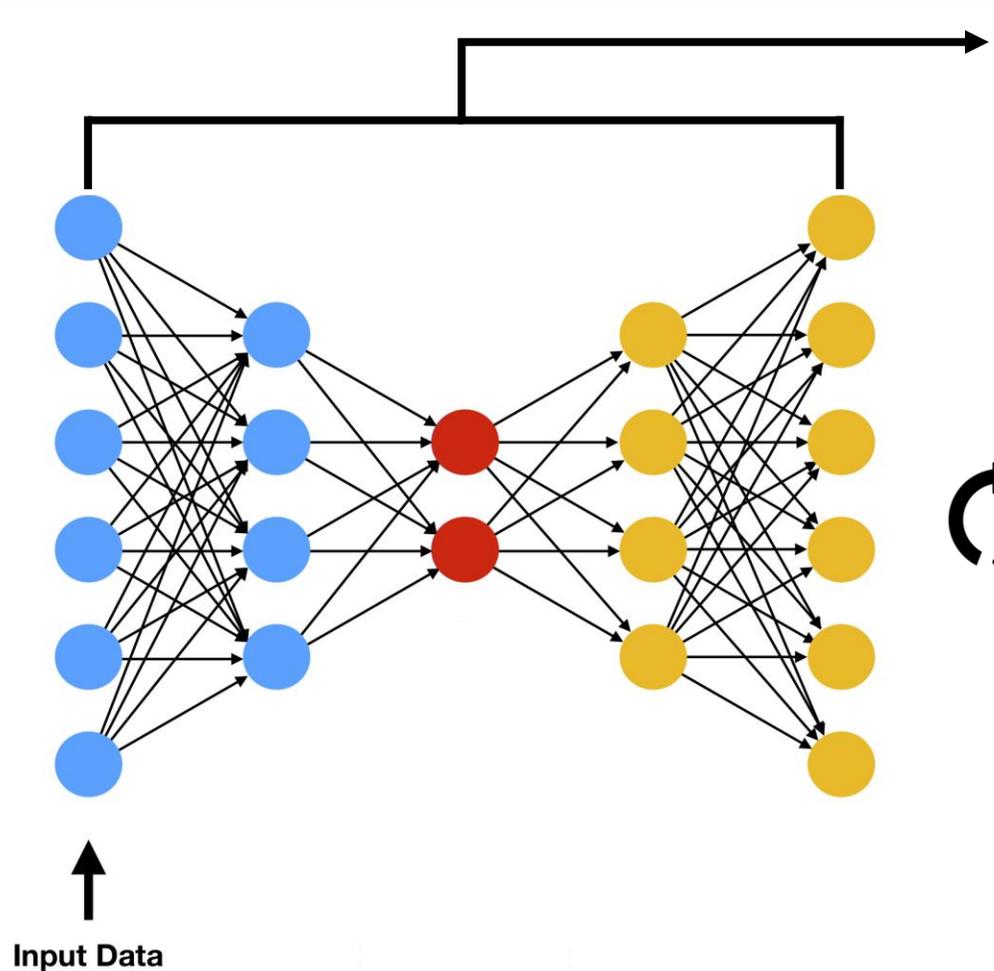
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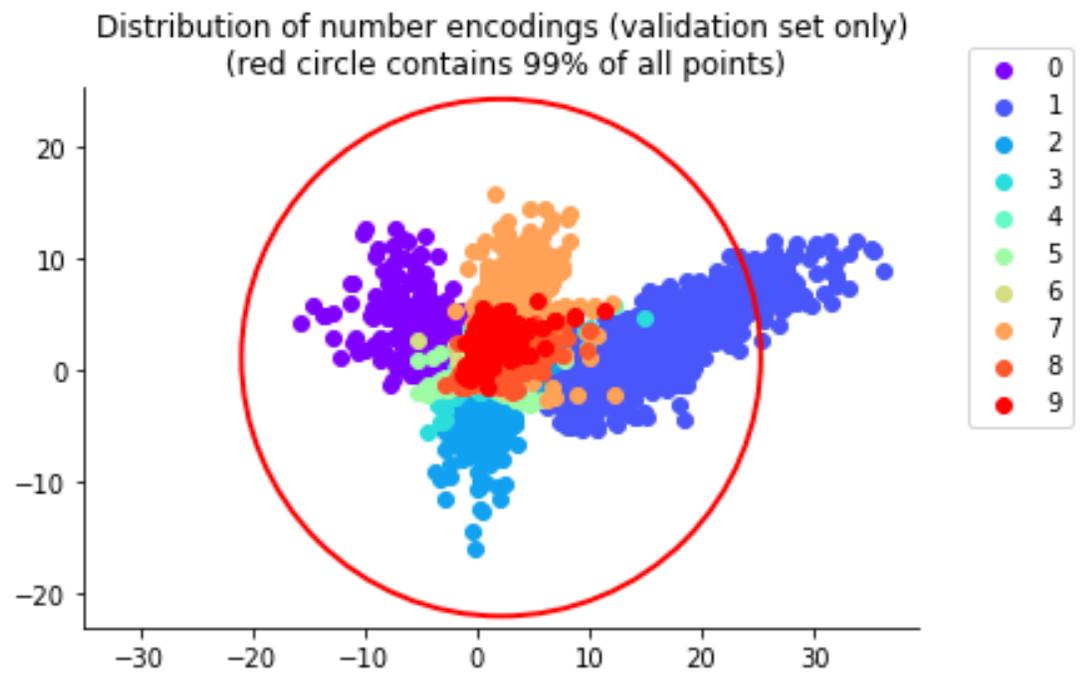
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The Autoencoder

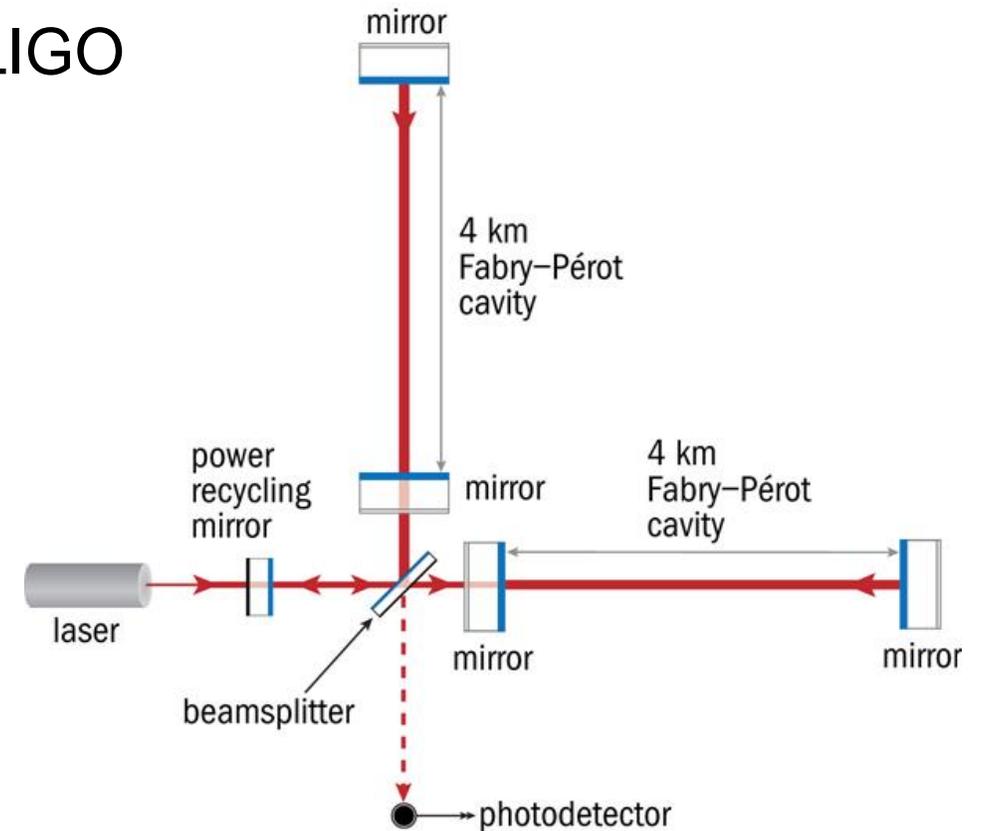


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Introduction to the Step 1

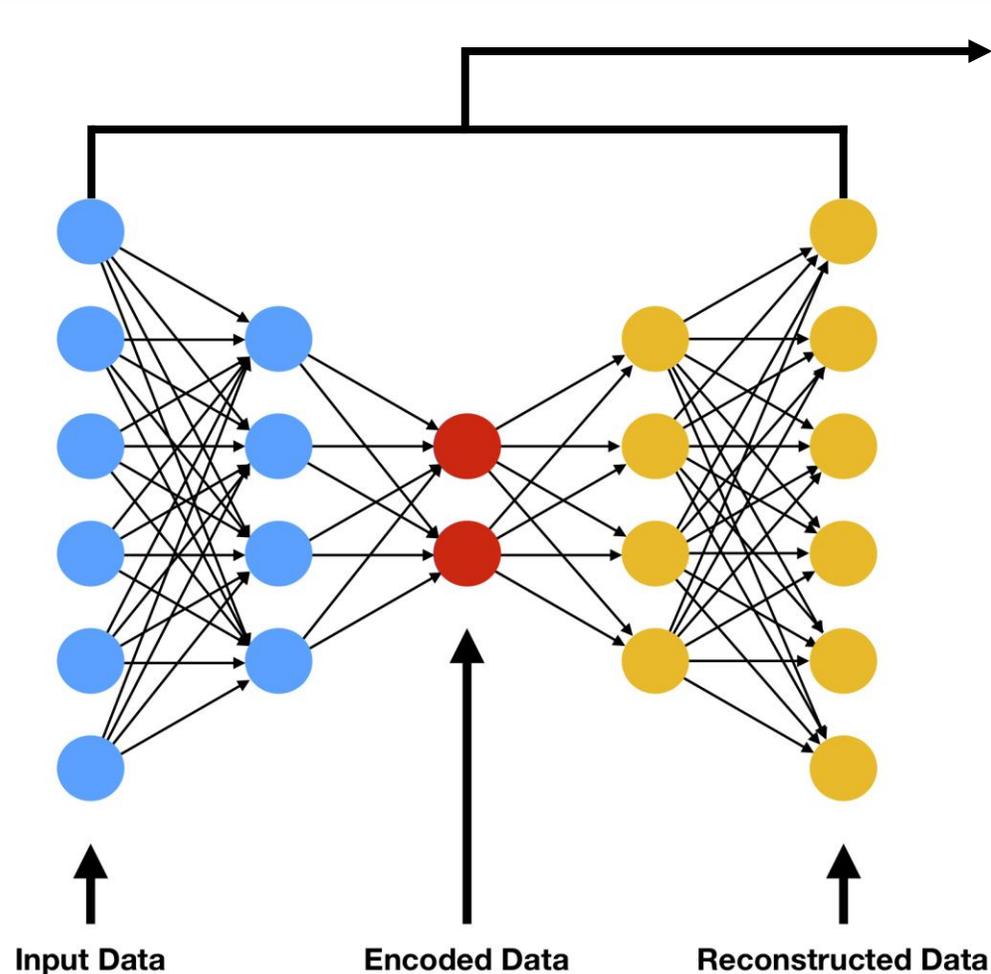
- Detection of gravitational waves (GWs) at LIGO



Produces: 1-D time-series strain

Unsupervised Learning: Detection

<https://github.com/eric-moreno/LSTM-Autoencoder>



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Anomaly detection sequence:

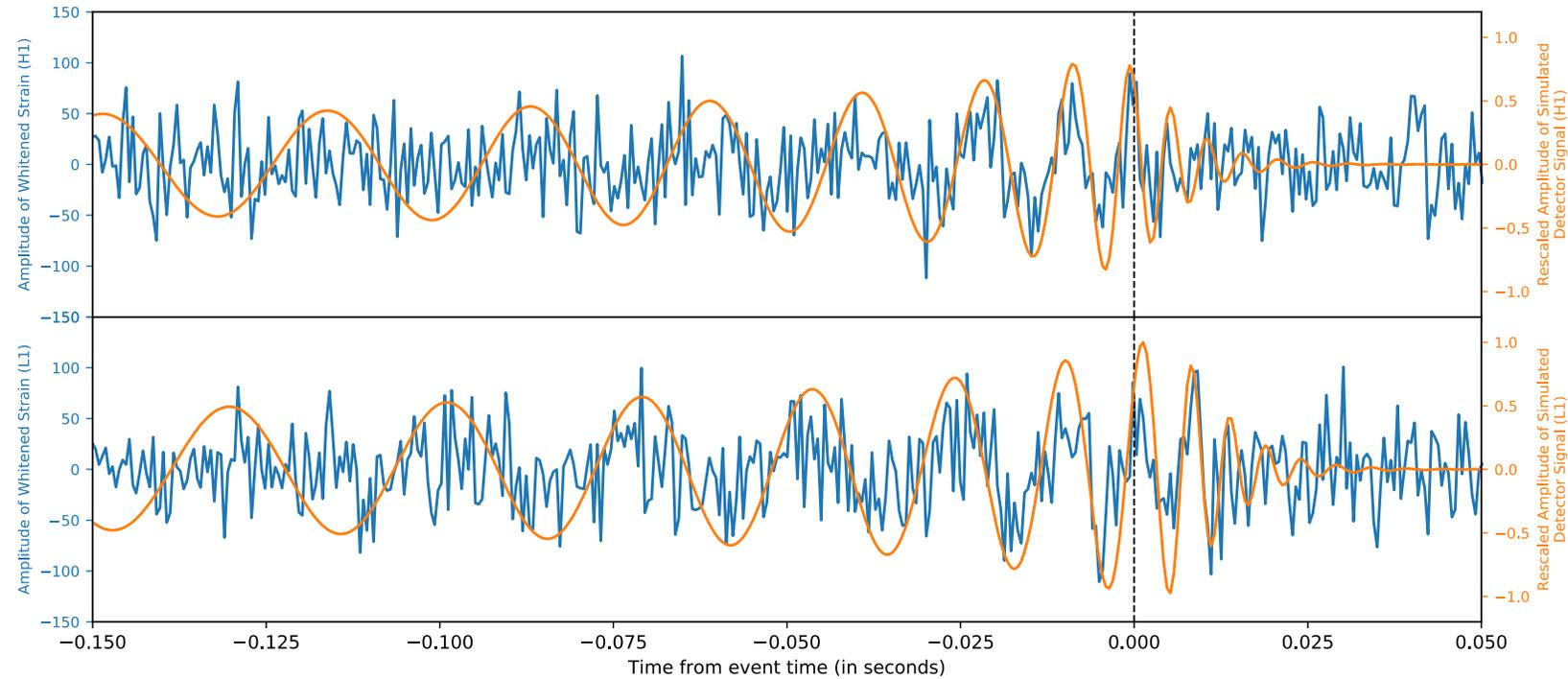
1. Train autoencoder to encode and decode data on data with no anomalies.
2. Compute the highest loss on the training dataset – set as threshold for anomalous detection
3. Run autoencoder for test data, identify events that fall above detection threshold

LIGO Dataset

BBH Sample #1

Injection Parameters:

mass1 = 66.45, mass2 = 33.96, spin1z = 0.54, spin2z = 0.01, ra = 4.73, dec = -0.25, coa_phase = 1.32, inclination = 2.62, polarization = 4.79, injection_snr = 15.10



1. Simulates typical detector noise conditions from a PSD
2. Simulates GW waveforms for the following conditions:
 - Binary masses of black hole mergers (BBH) or neutron star mergers (BNS)
 - SNR of 5-20
 - Variable angles in the sky
3. Adds GW strain into noise for signal events
4. Data is whitened, bandpass, and normalized

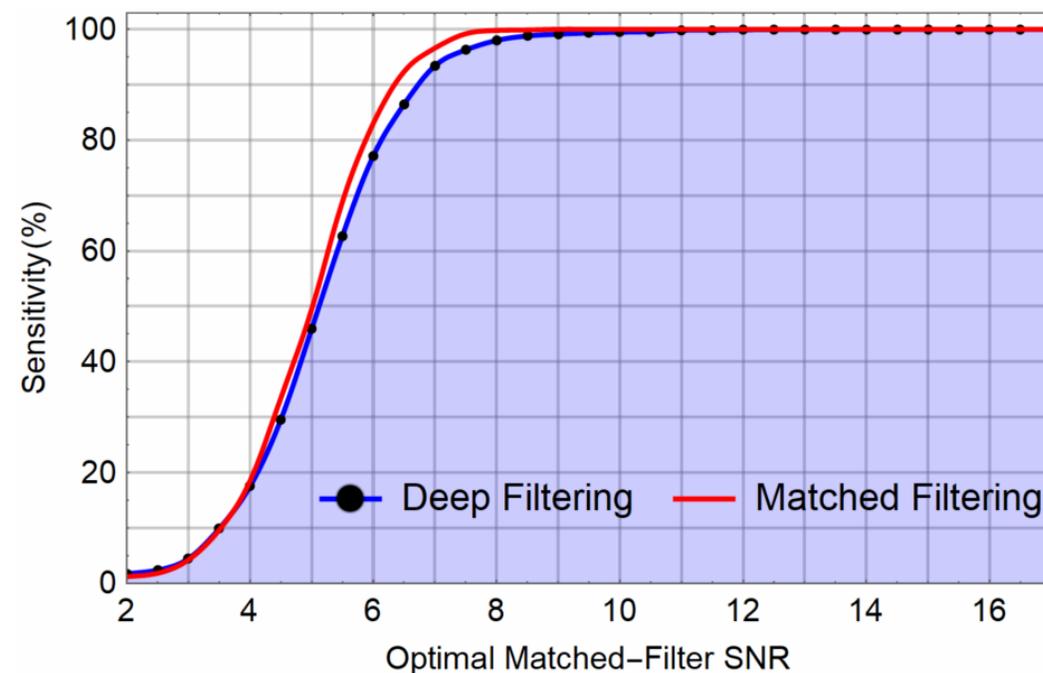
Currently used methods

Matched Filtering

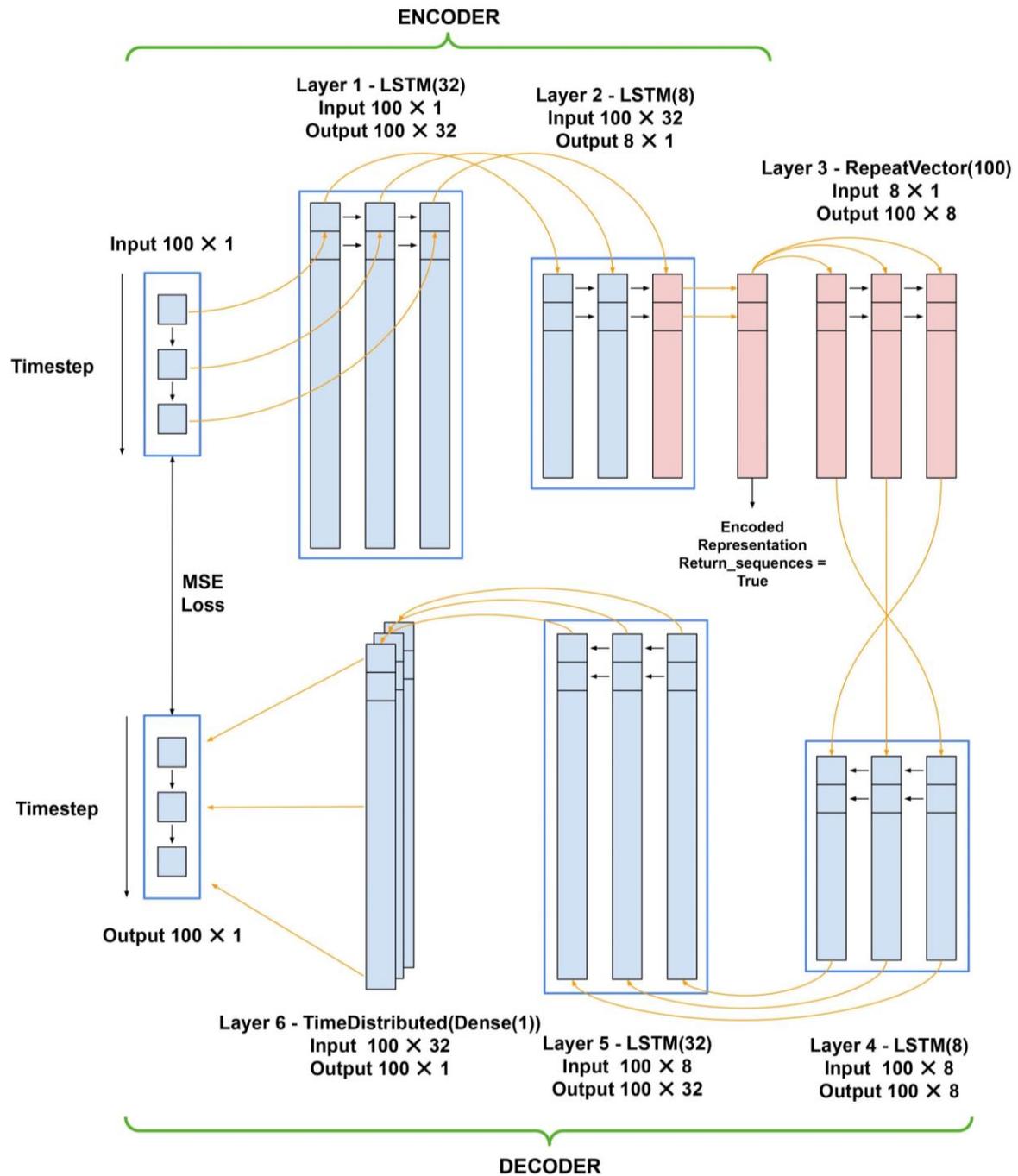
- **Current method** used by LIGO
- Compares incoming GW data to bank of simulated waveforms
- Can only identify GWs that are available in GW banks (no exotic events)

Deep Filtering

- Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)
- Take time-series inputs, can determine detections and estimate parameters of events
- Still can miss events that aren't included in training set



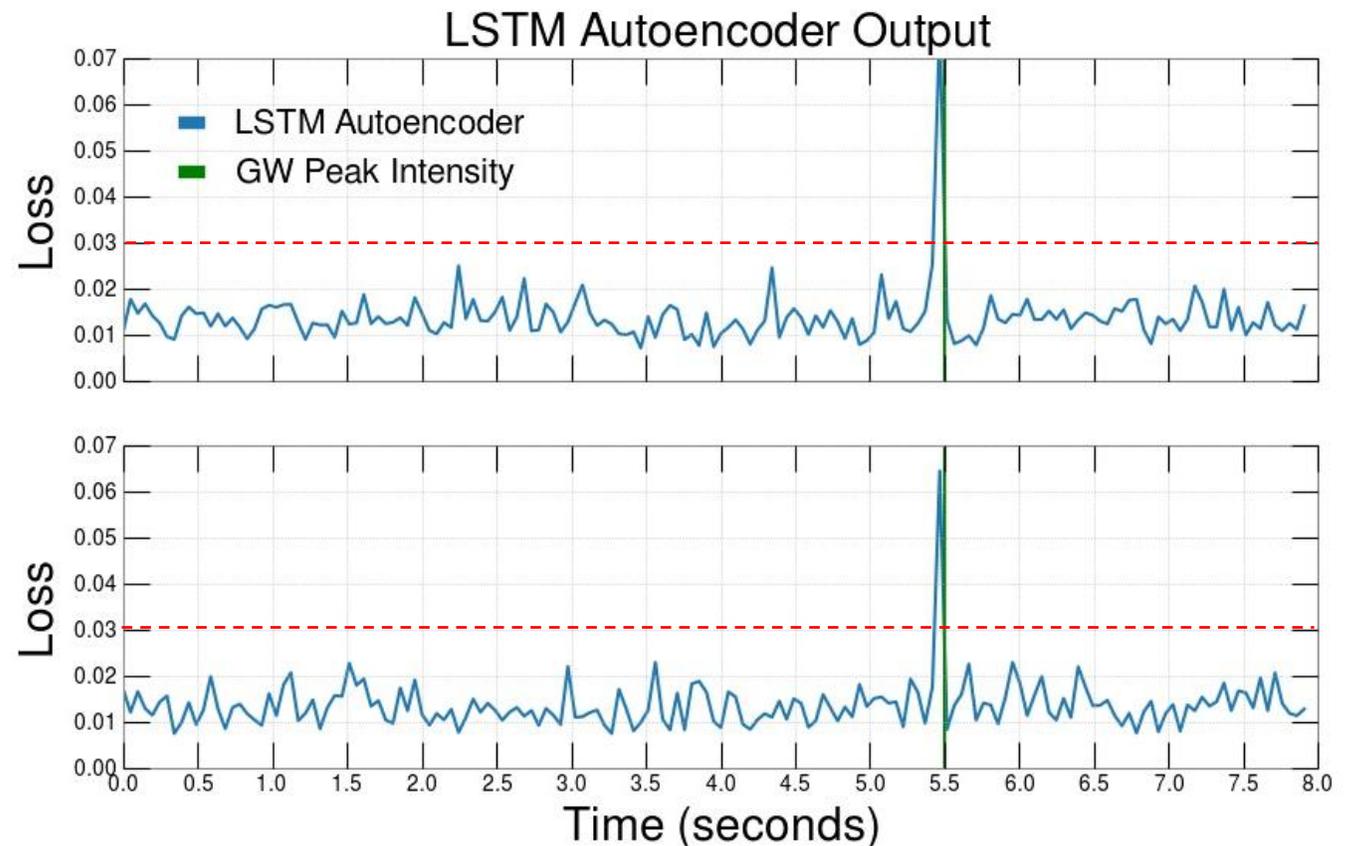
LSTM AE Architecture



Event Loss with Autoencoders

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- LSTM AE evaluated BBH and BNS events yields promising results
- **Red dotted line represents detection threshold** which can be determined according to FPR
- During training, **AE never receives information about any GW (signal) -> Source Agnostic**



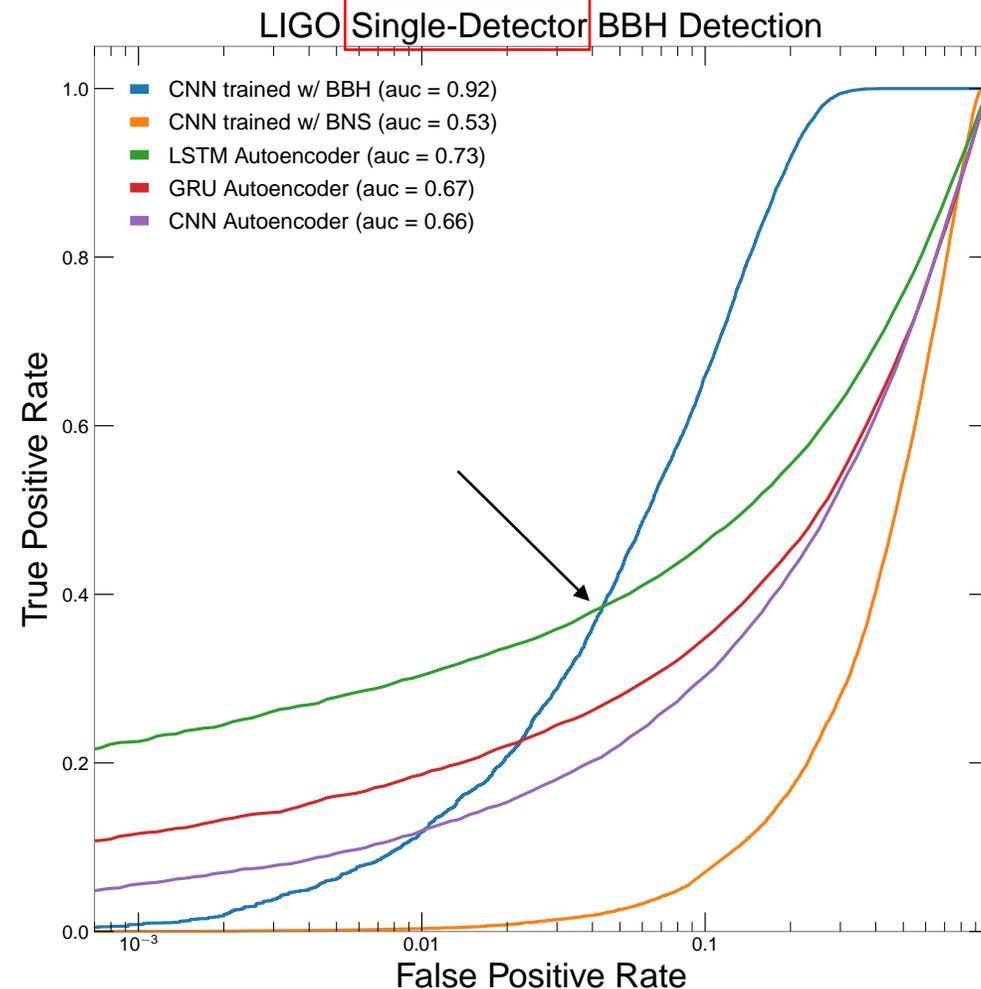
Supervised vs Unsupervised BBH

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- BBH generated from SEOBNRv4 Approximant
- High mass BH (10–80+ solar masses) produce large amplitude events
- Both autoencoders perform better than supervised models generalized from BNS data
- **Outperforms supervised methods (trained on equivalent length data) at below FPR = 0.04**

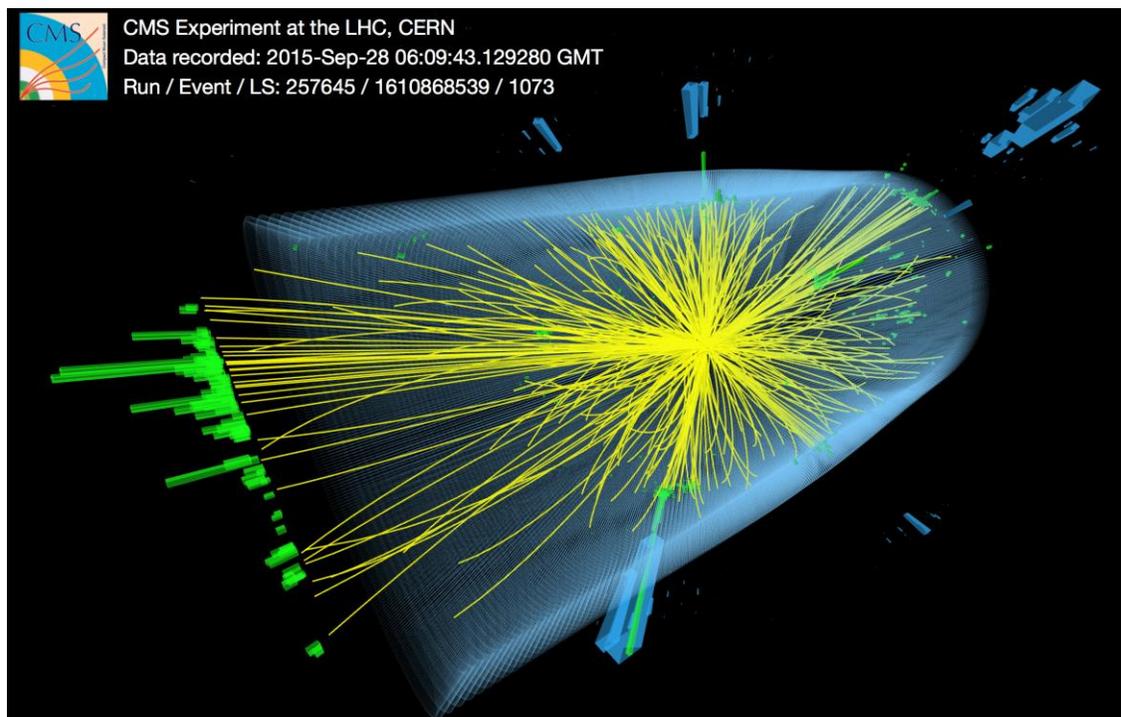
AE can be used for:

- Triggering on high SNR rare events
- Glitch detection within LIGO apparatus
 - Glitches are hard to simulate and more easily identifiable with AE

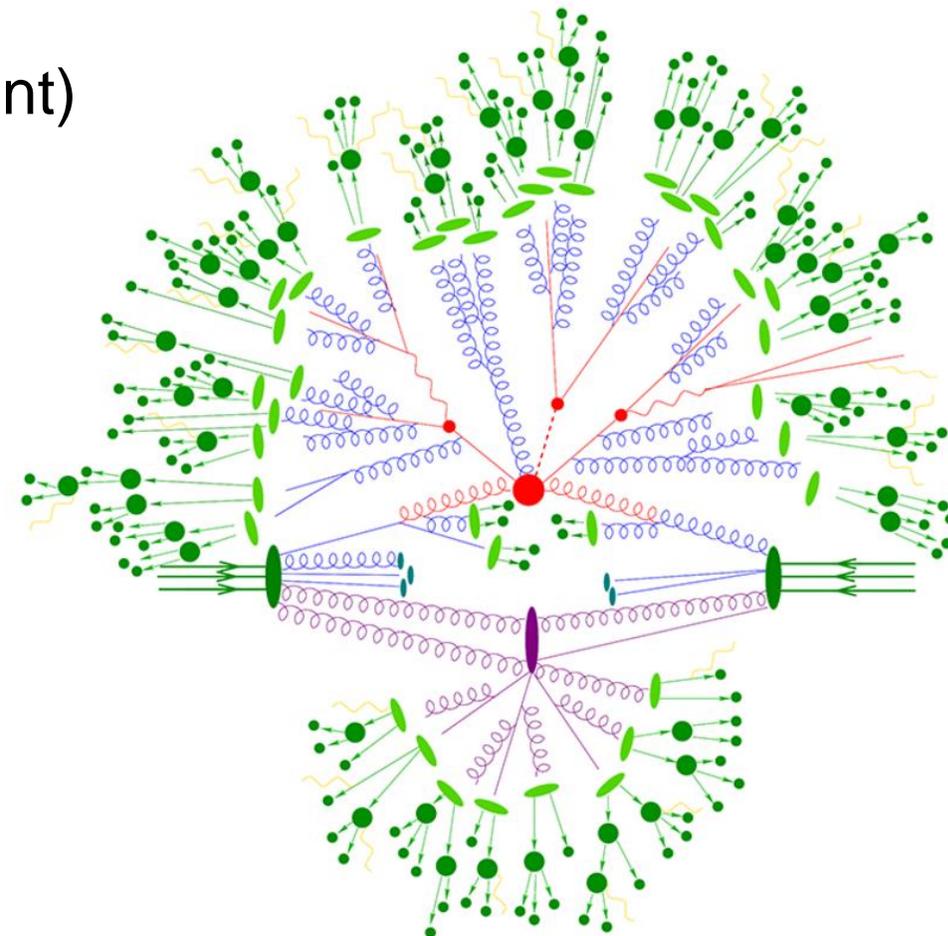


Introduction to the Step 2

- Anomalous events at the LHC (CMS experiment)



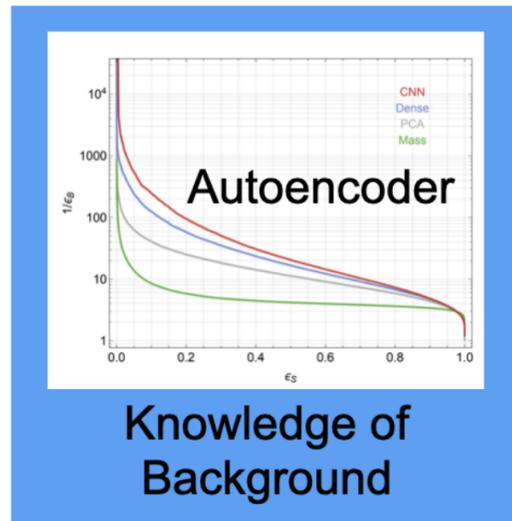
Produces: particle tracks and jet information



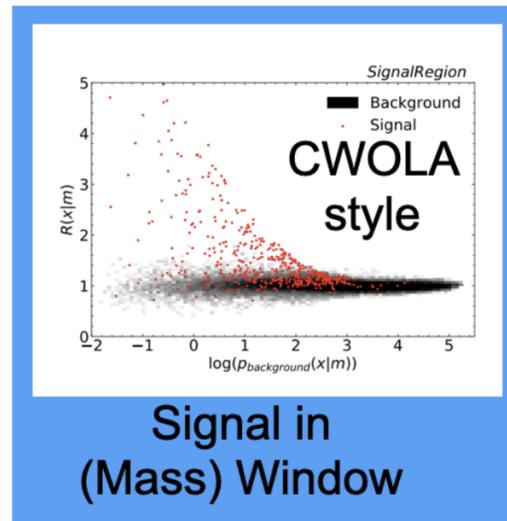
Semi-Supervised Learning

Prior Free

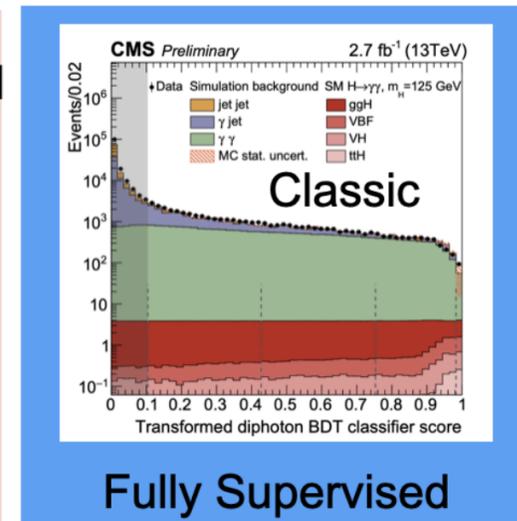
Fully Supervised



Step 1
[2107.12698](https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.12698)



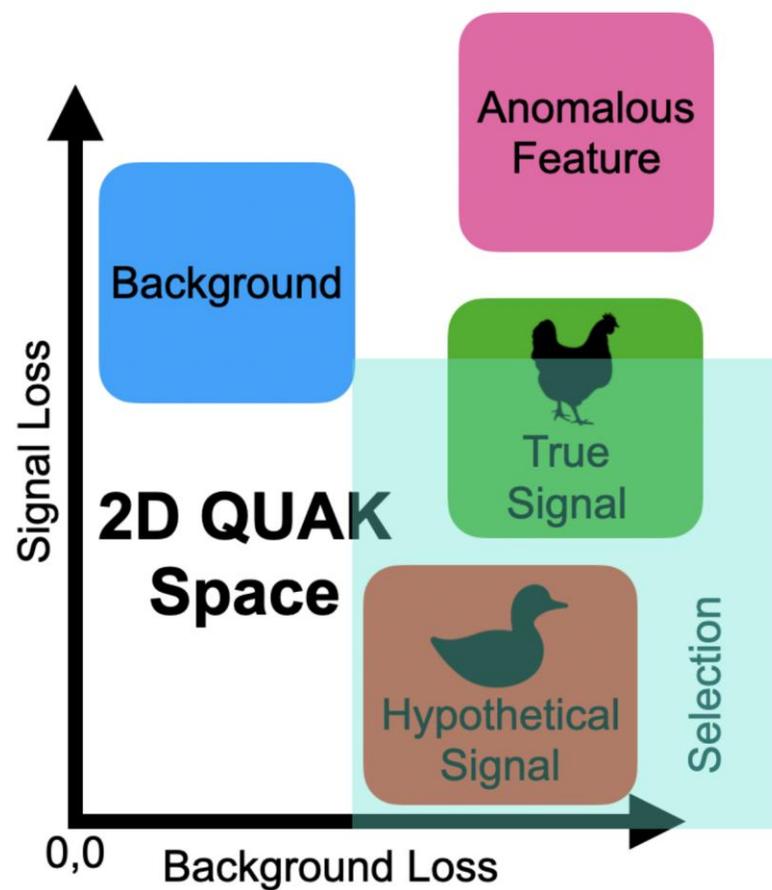
Step 2
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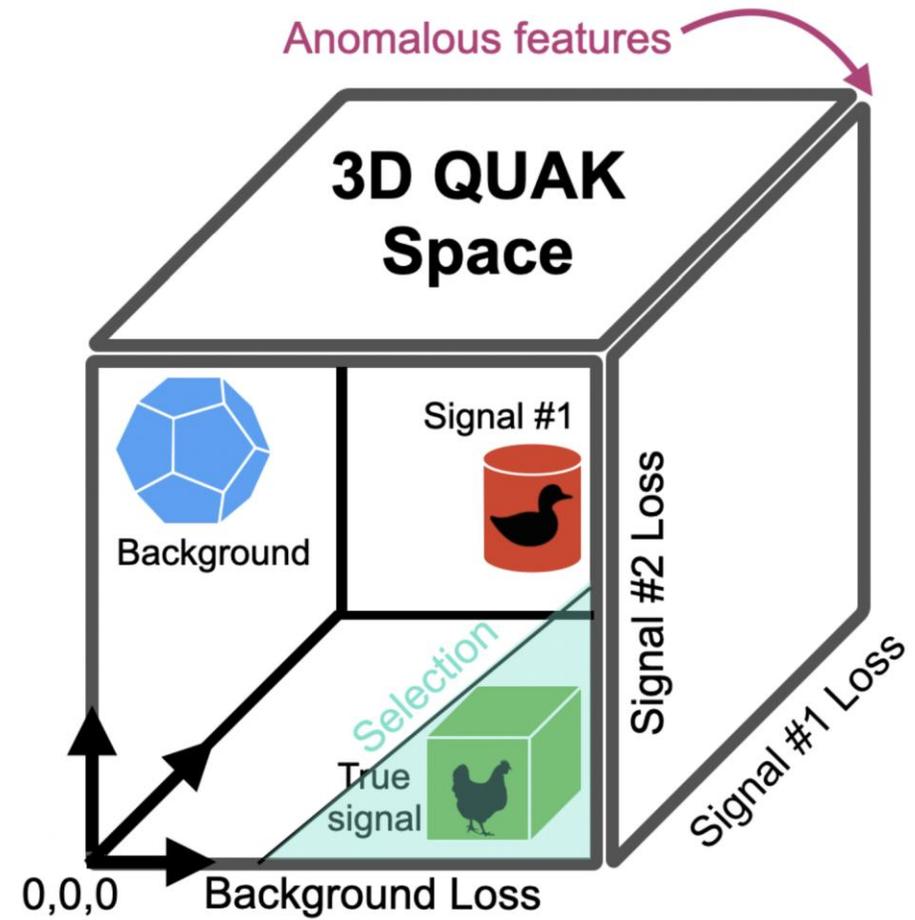
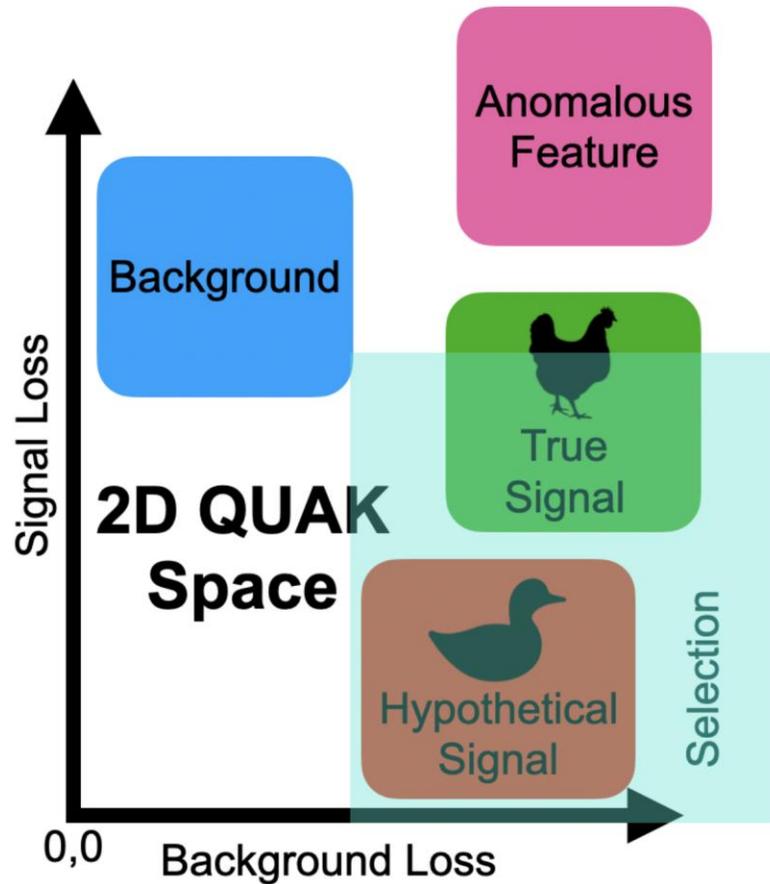
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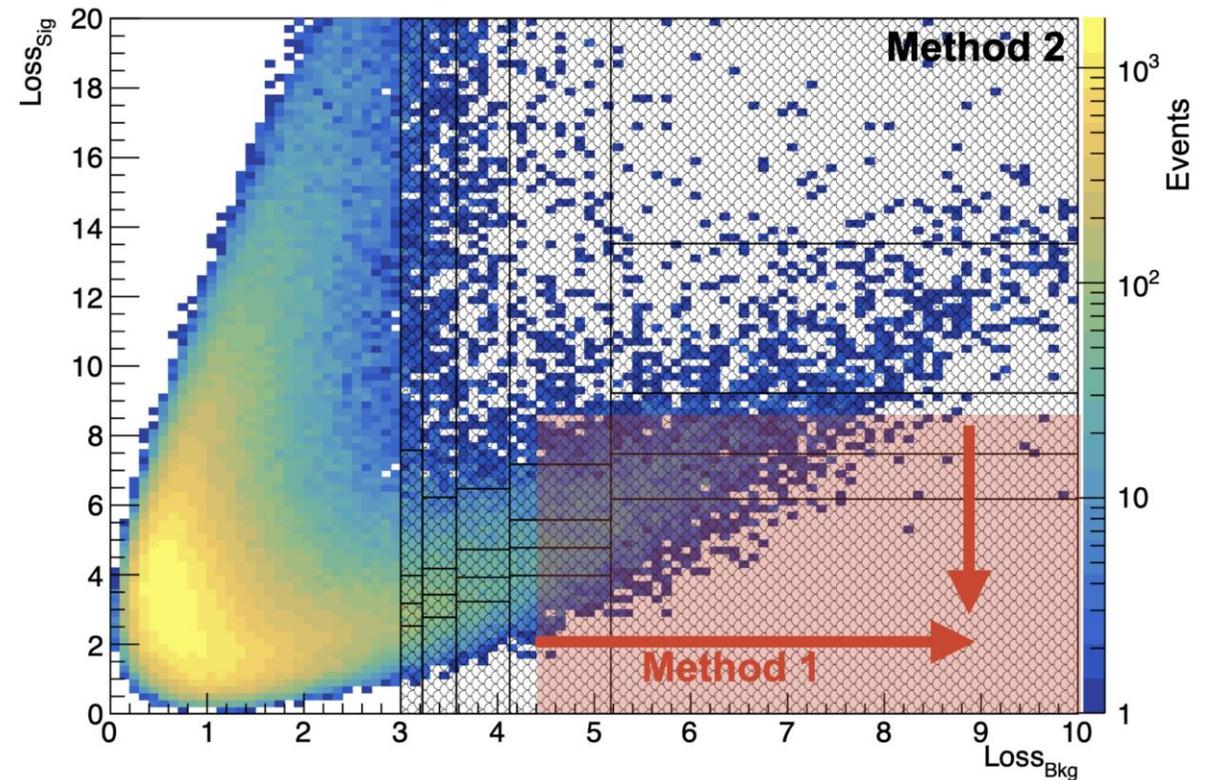
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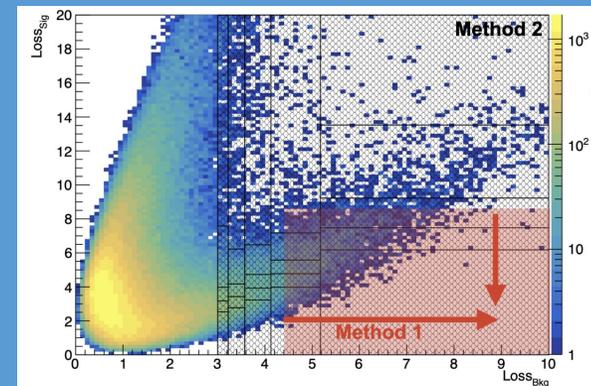
Example: LHC Olympics

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- Signal Dataset: $W' \rightarrow XY$
 - $W' = 3.5$ TeV
 - $X = 500$ GeV
 - $Y = 100$ GeV
- Background Dataset: 1M simulated QCD dijet events
 - Hidden signal: 900-event W' resonance
 - $W' = 3.8$ TeV
 - $X = 732$ GeV
 - $Y = 378$ GeV

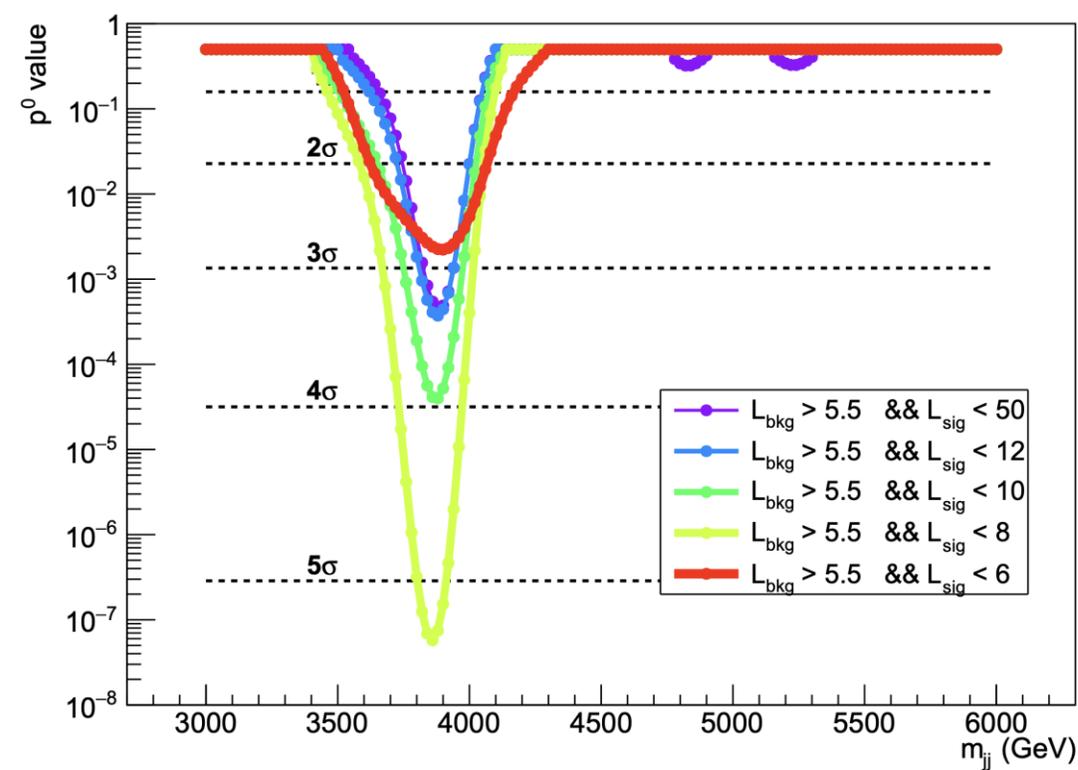
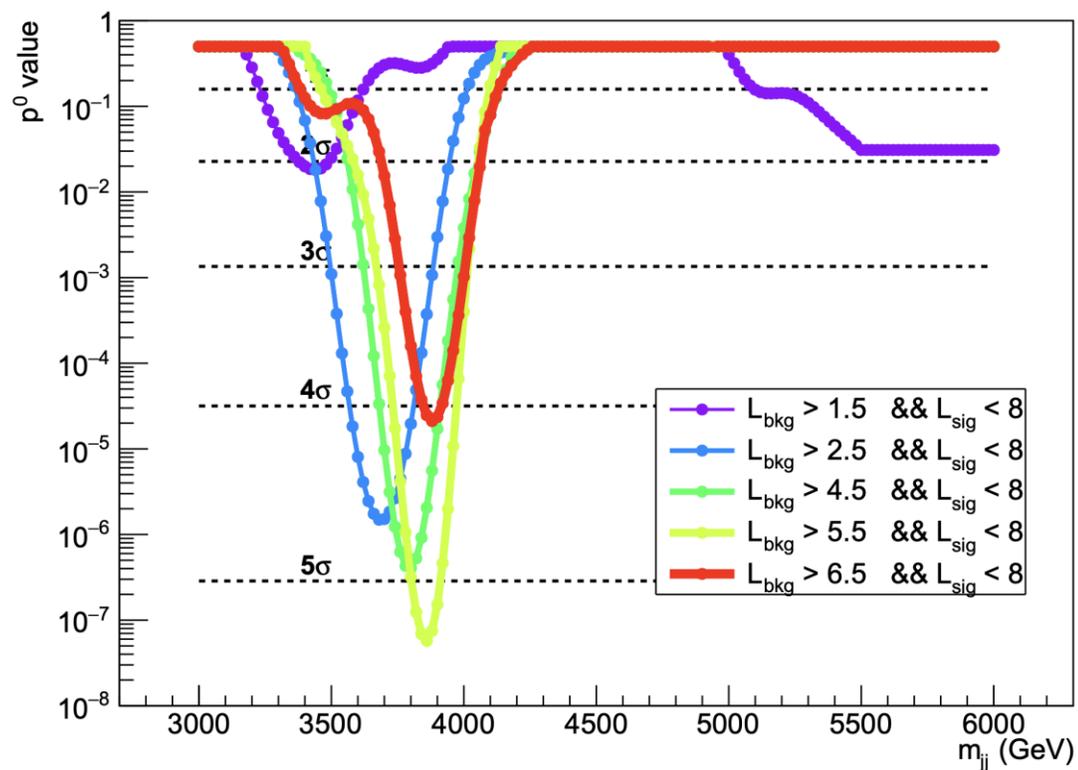


LHC Olympics – Method 1

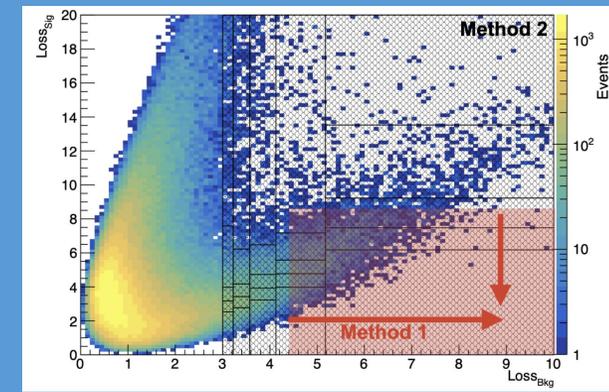


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Method 1: Iteratively vary a selection on the signal loss and background loss and select regions of low signal loss and high background loss. Biased analysis method!

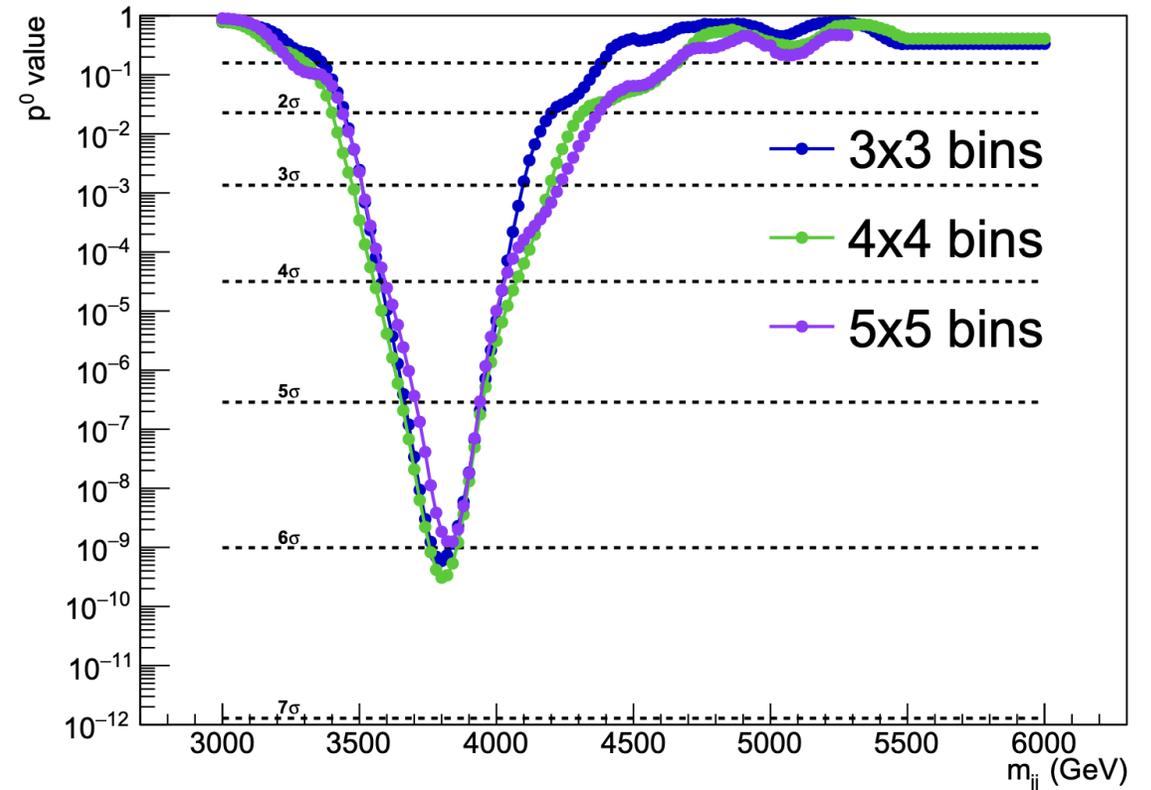
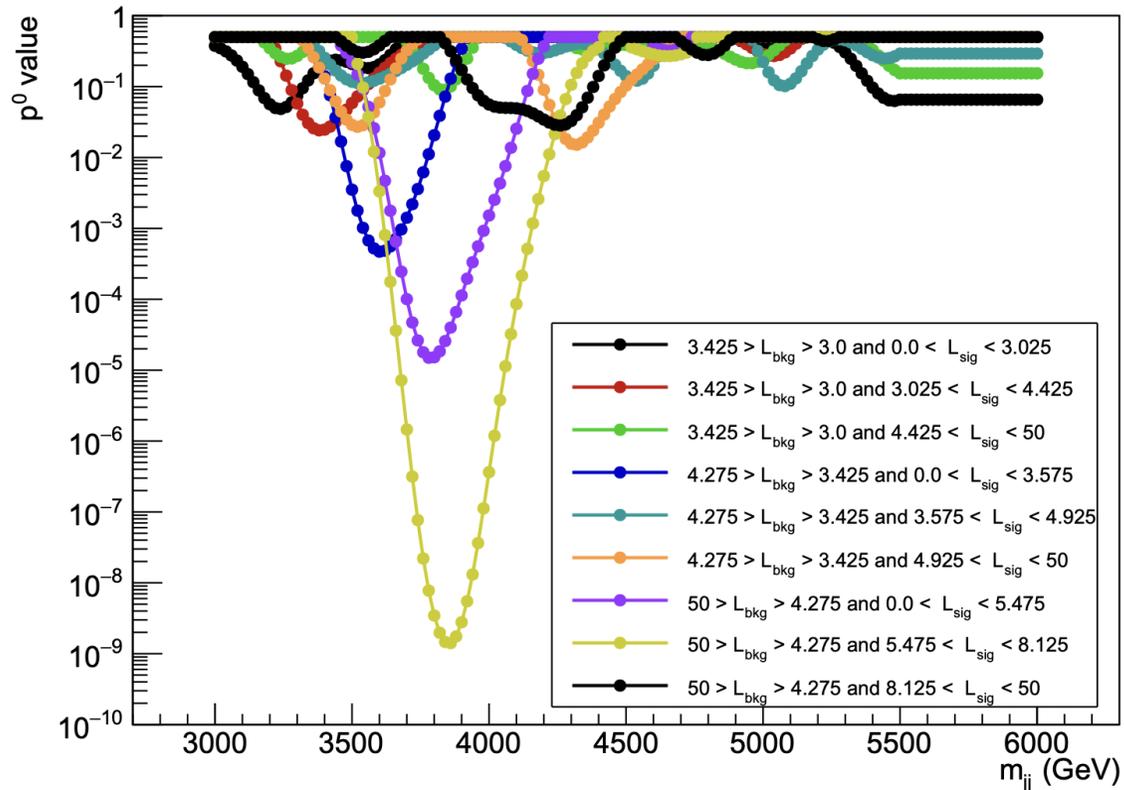


LHC Olympics – Method 2



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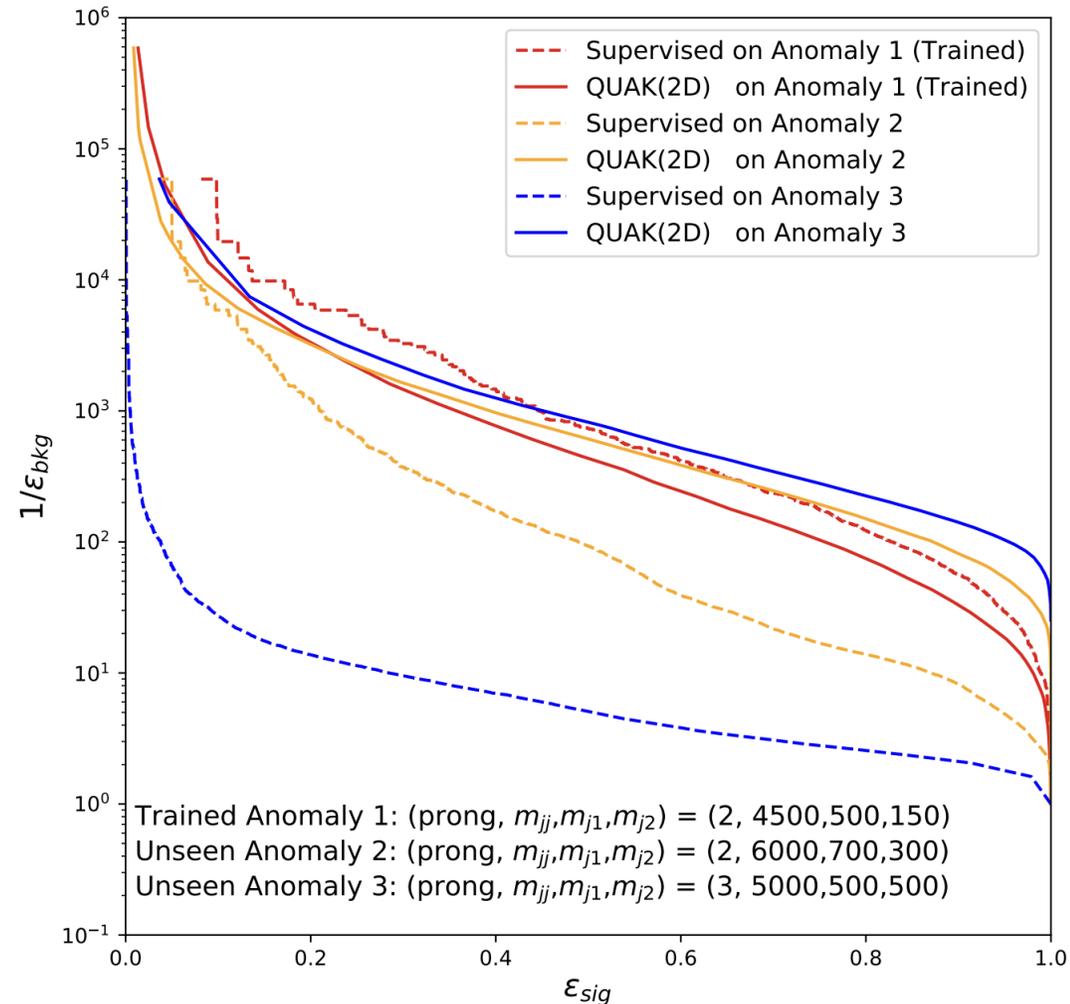
Method 2: Separate the events by the black shaded boxes shown corresponding roughly to a uniform populations of events within each shaded region



QUAK Anomaly Detection

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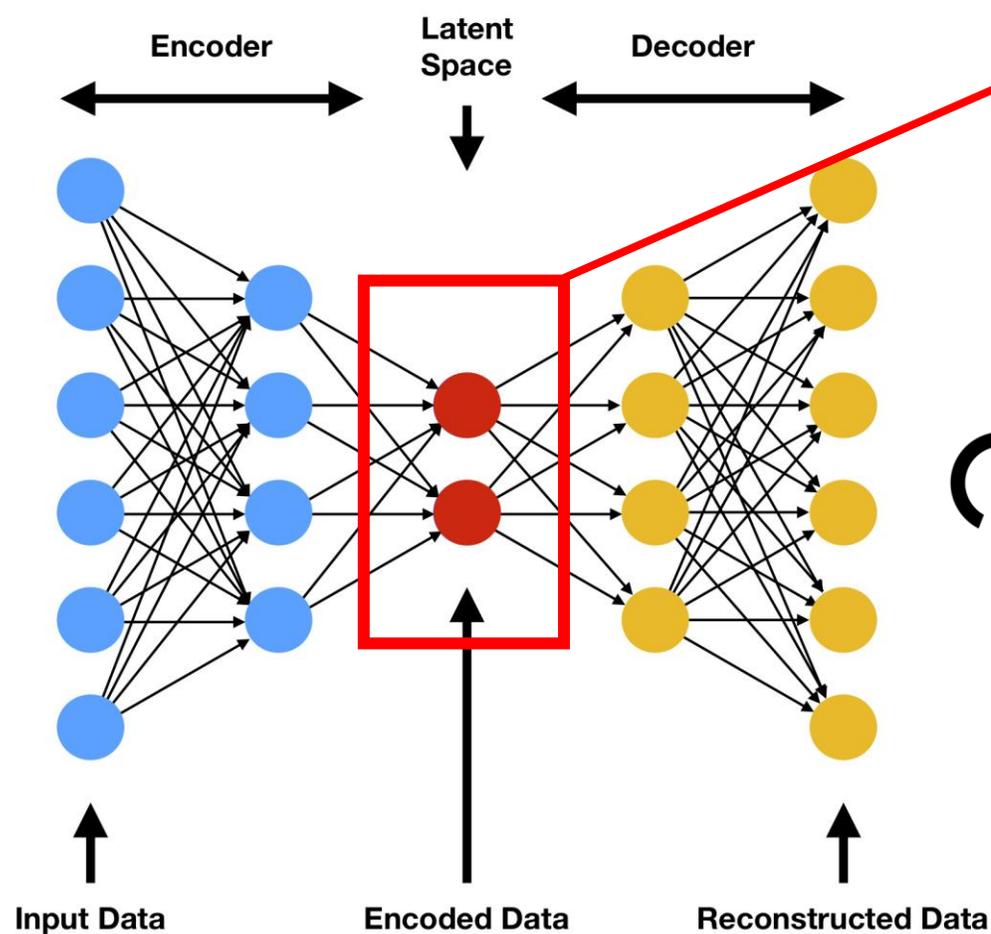
QUAK allows generalization capability beyond supervised algorithms! Can search for events that are similar but not the same as a hypothetical signal.



Introduction to the Step 3

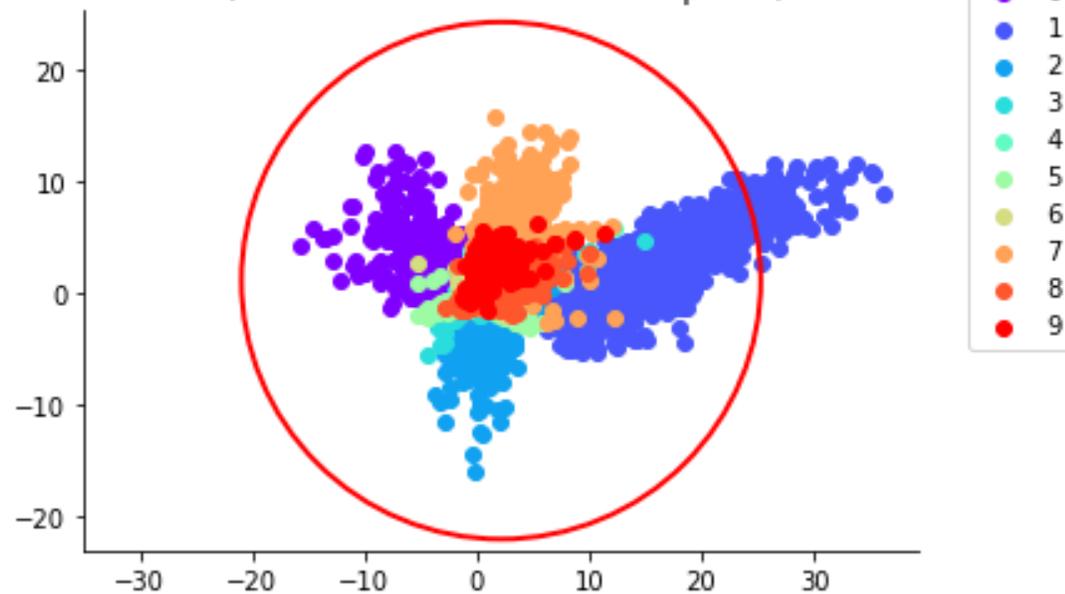
Remember how I showed you this slide...

The Autoencoder



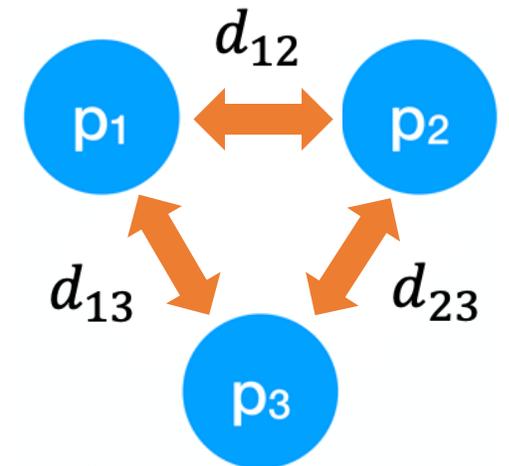
What's happening here?

Distribution of number encodings (validation set only)
(red circle contains 99% of all points)



Introduction to the Step 3

- The autoencoder is constructing a latent space according to some distance metric it has designed.
- What if we take over this metric? We can make the most out of metric space properties of collider events.
- Distance metrics include:
 - Euclidean
 - Hyperbolic
 - Energy Movers Distance – For HEP
 - Power spectral distance? – For LIGO
 - Appropriate metrics can be tailored to the domain!

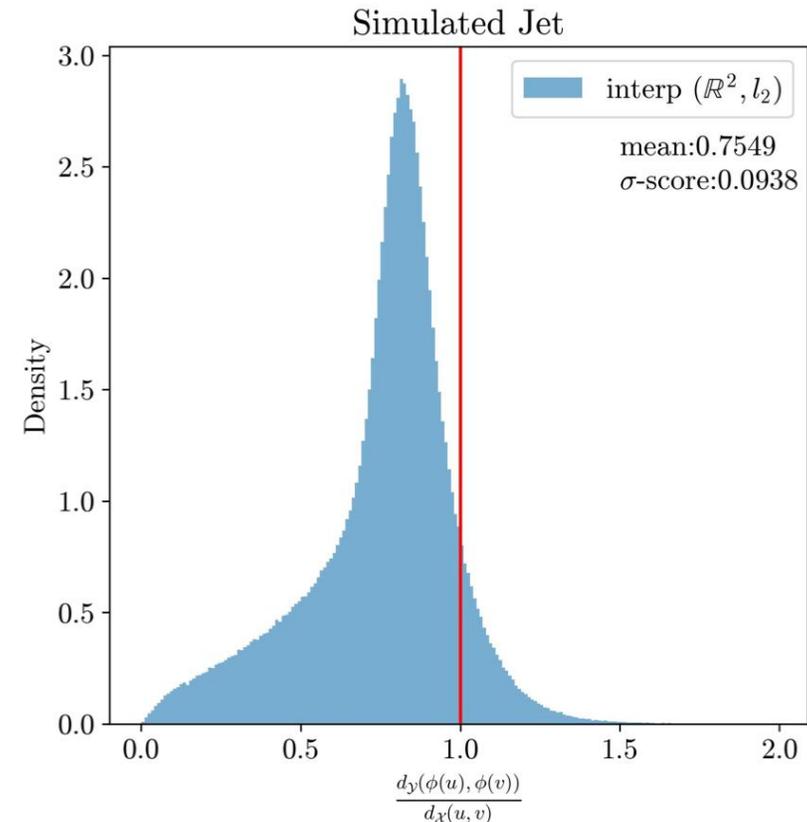
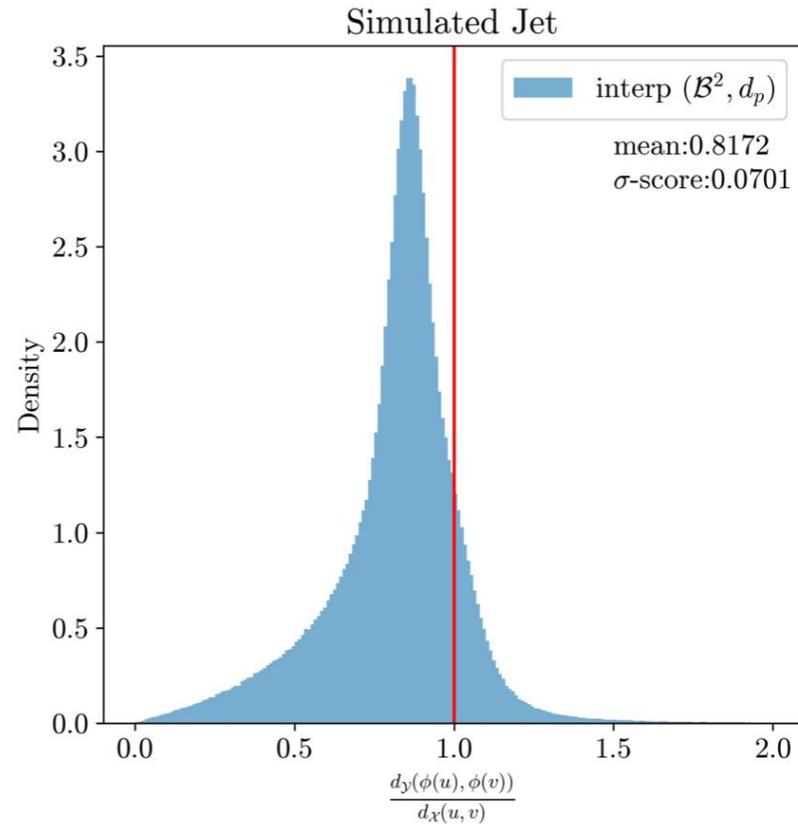


Does it work?

Idea from Sangeon Park et. al

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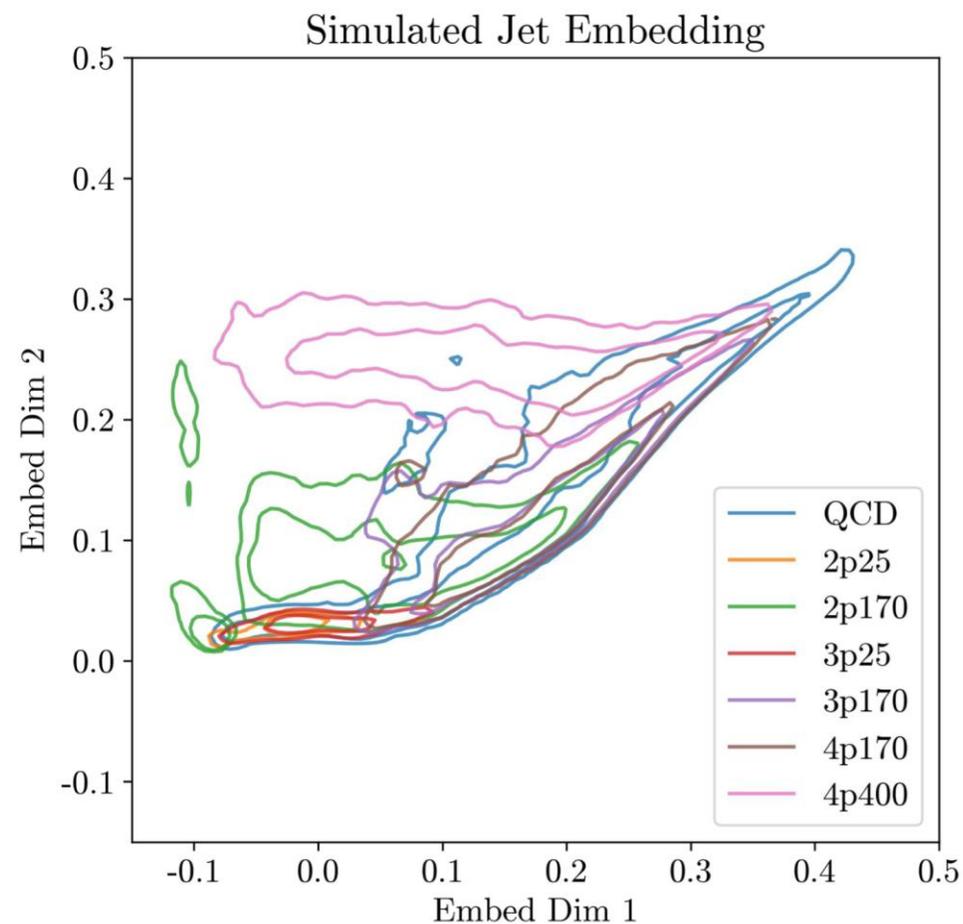
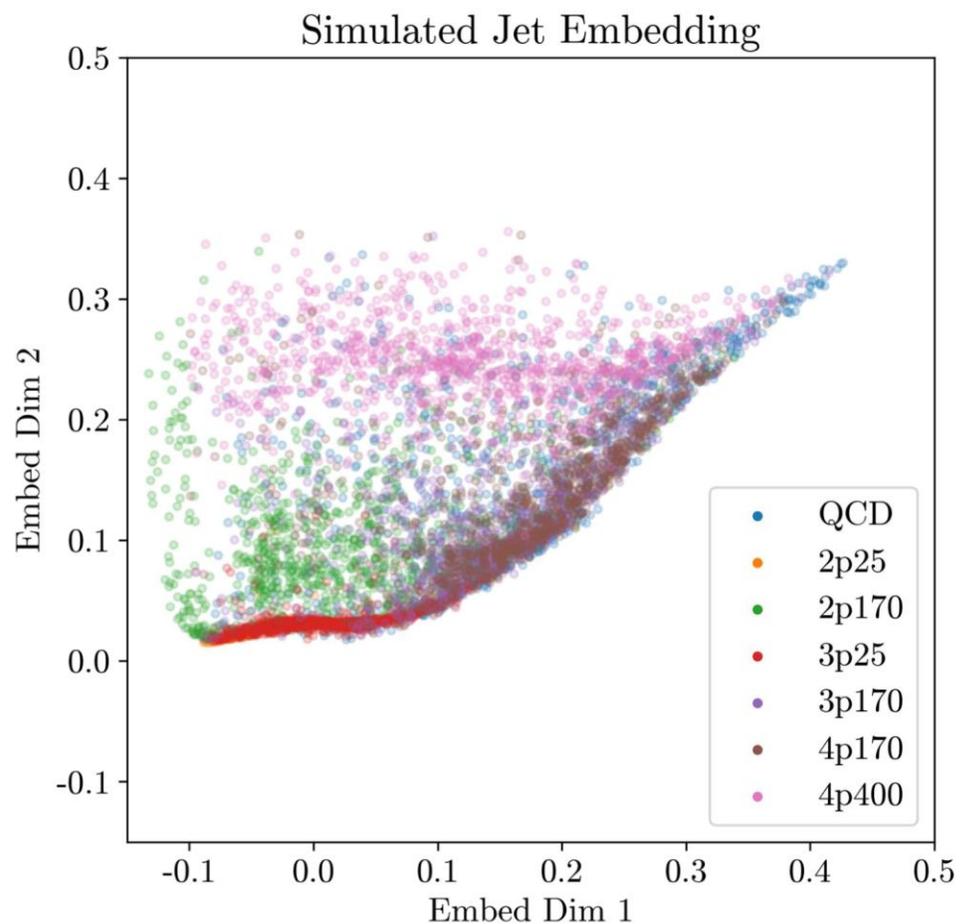
Hyperbolic spaces: Better for handling graph / tree structured data, biological sequences



Euclidean spaces: Most common choice, easy to calculate volume

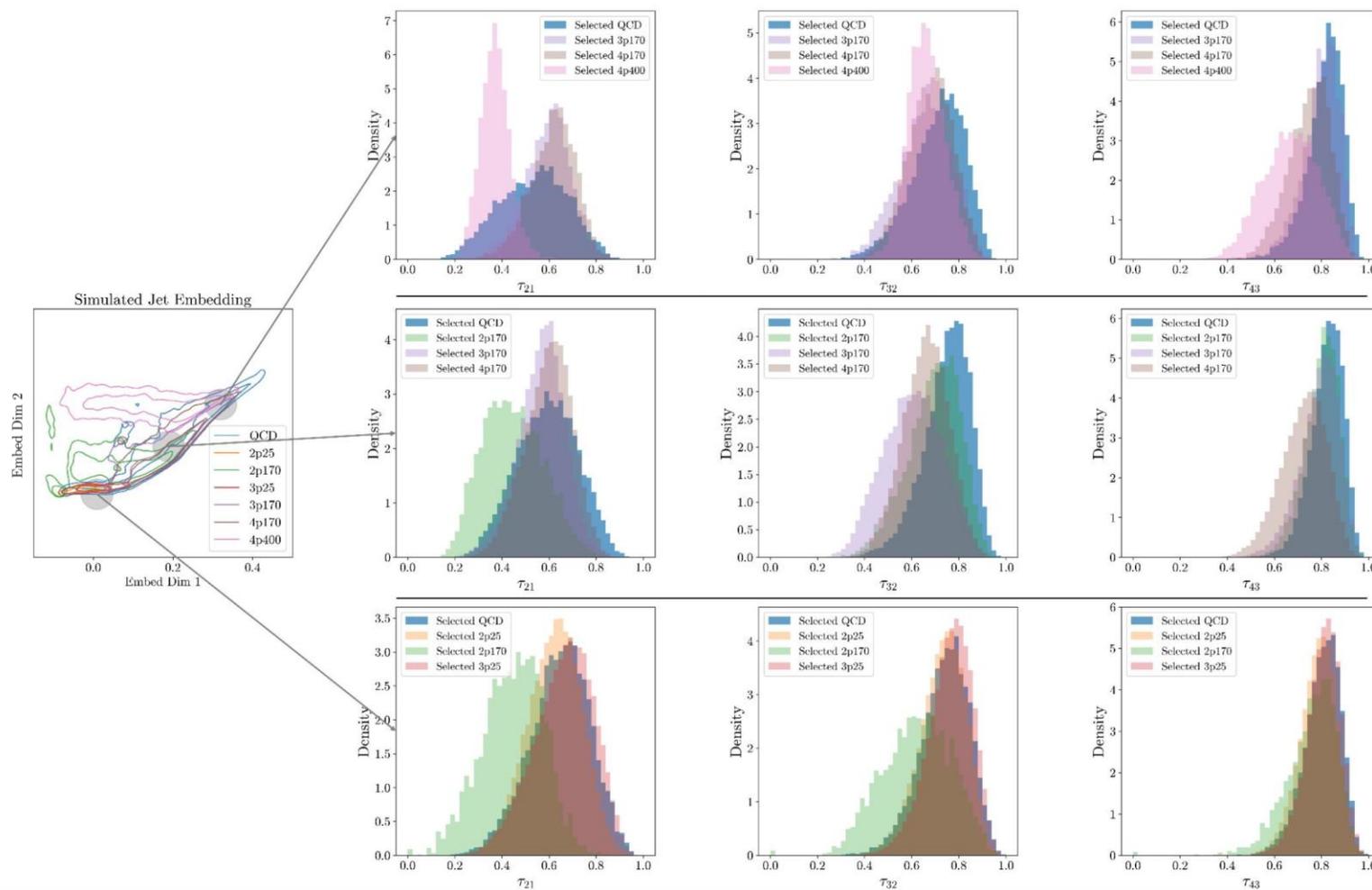
Embedding results – new latent space!

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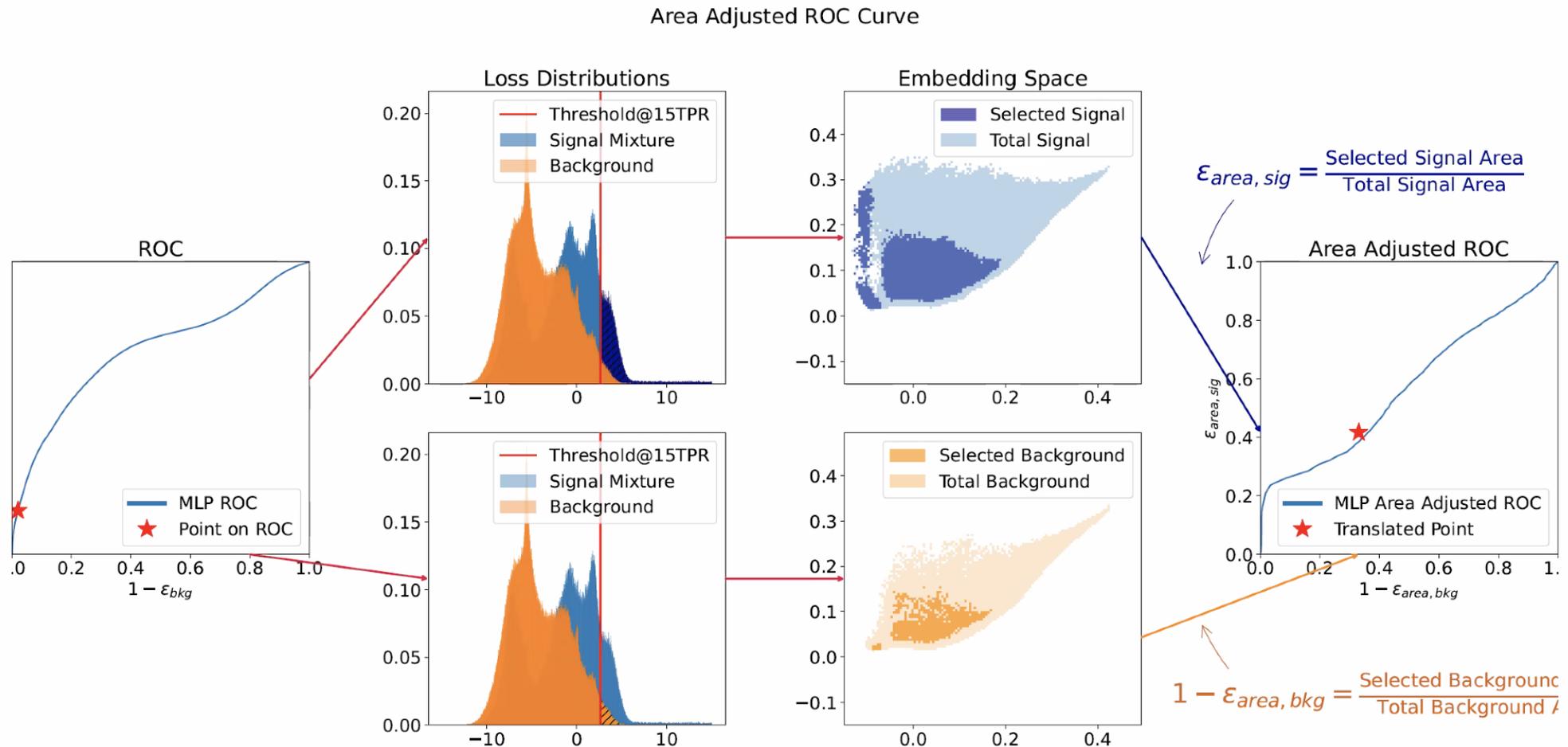
What is it learning?

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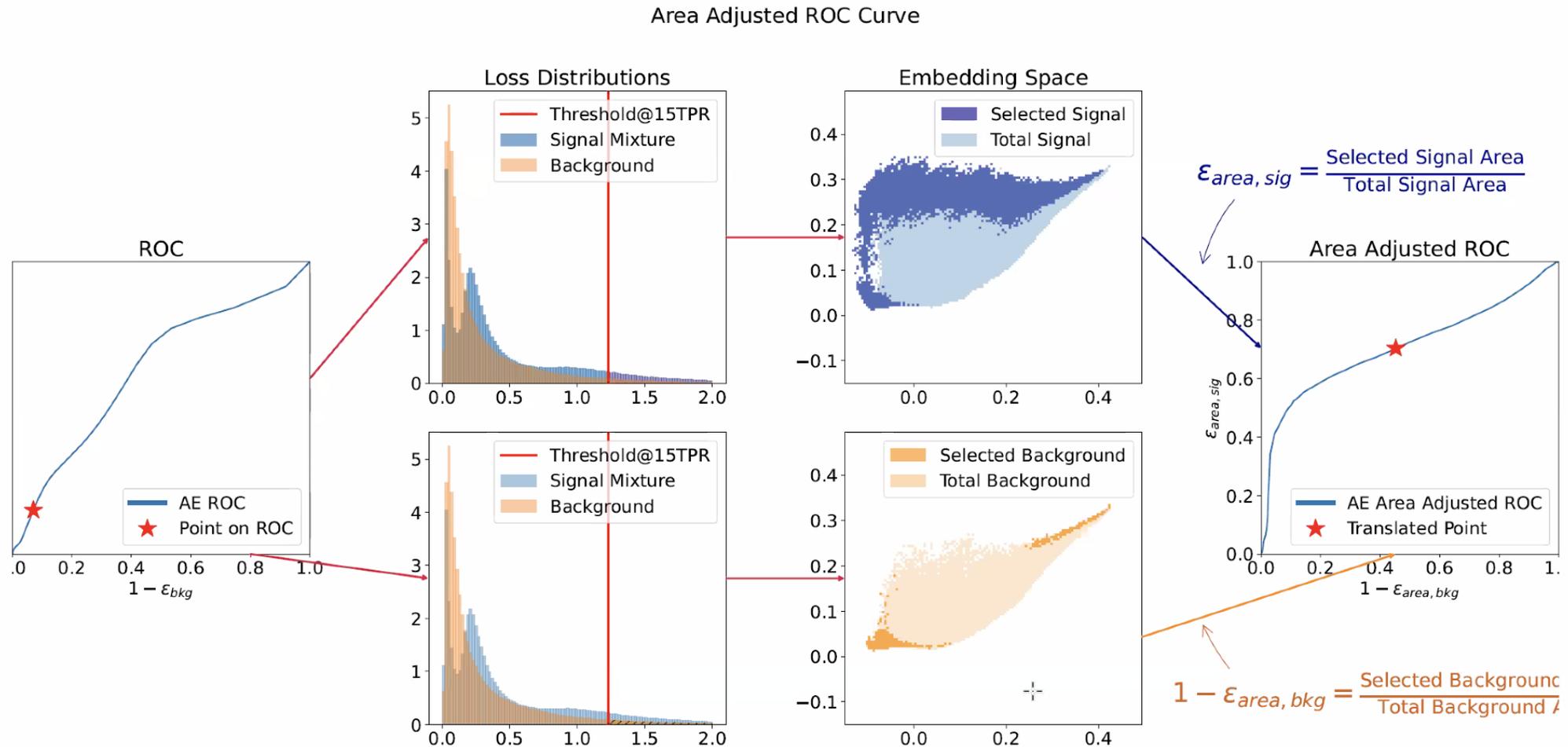
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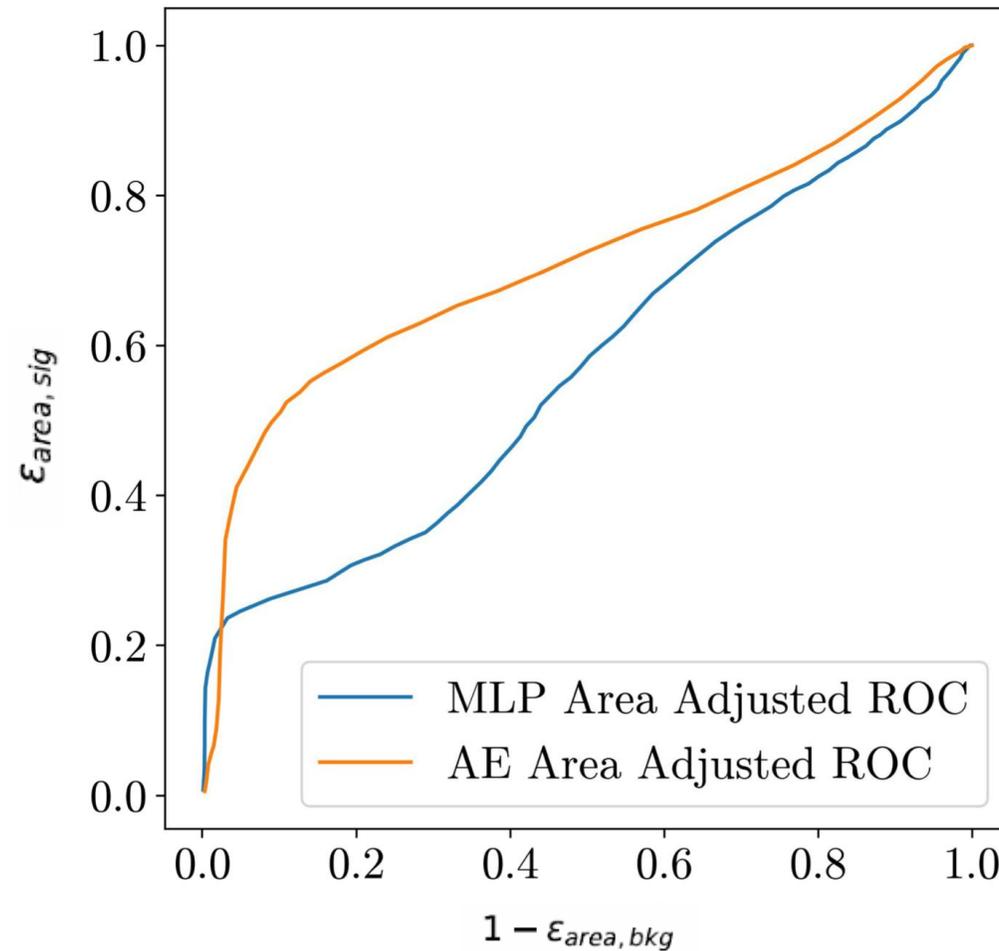
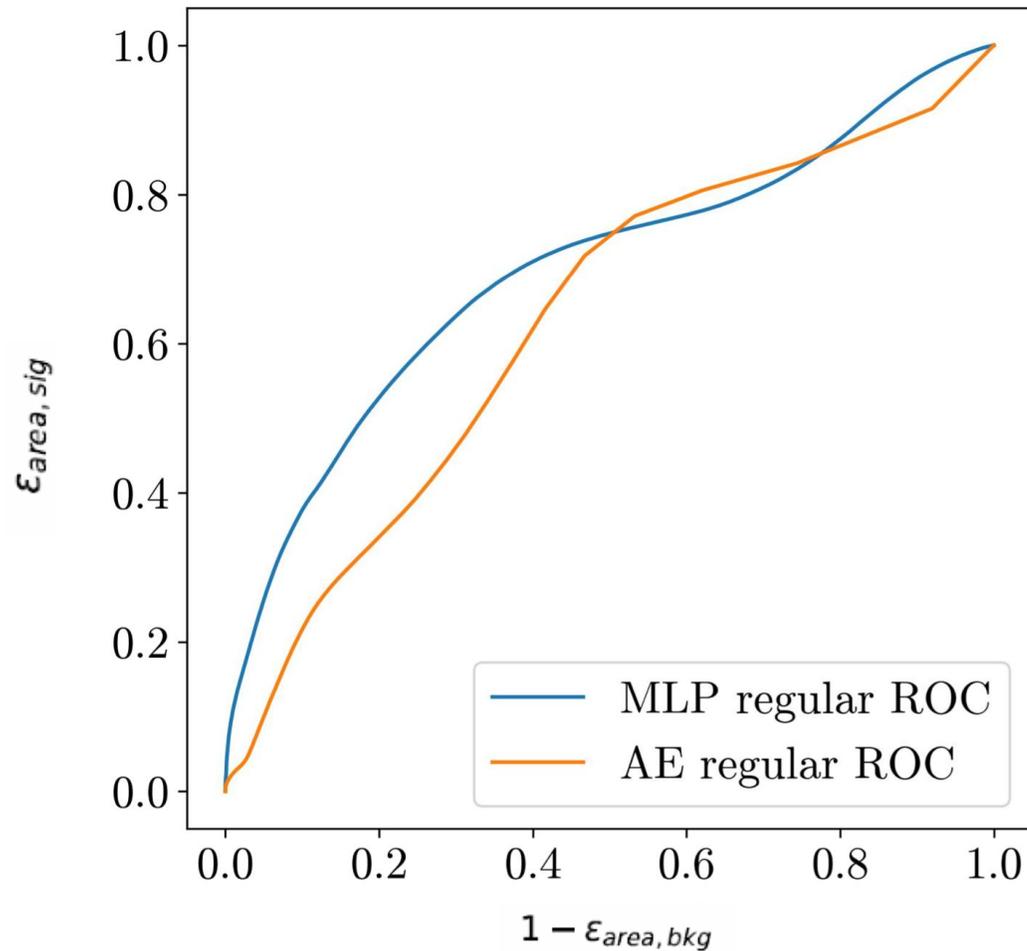
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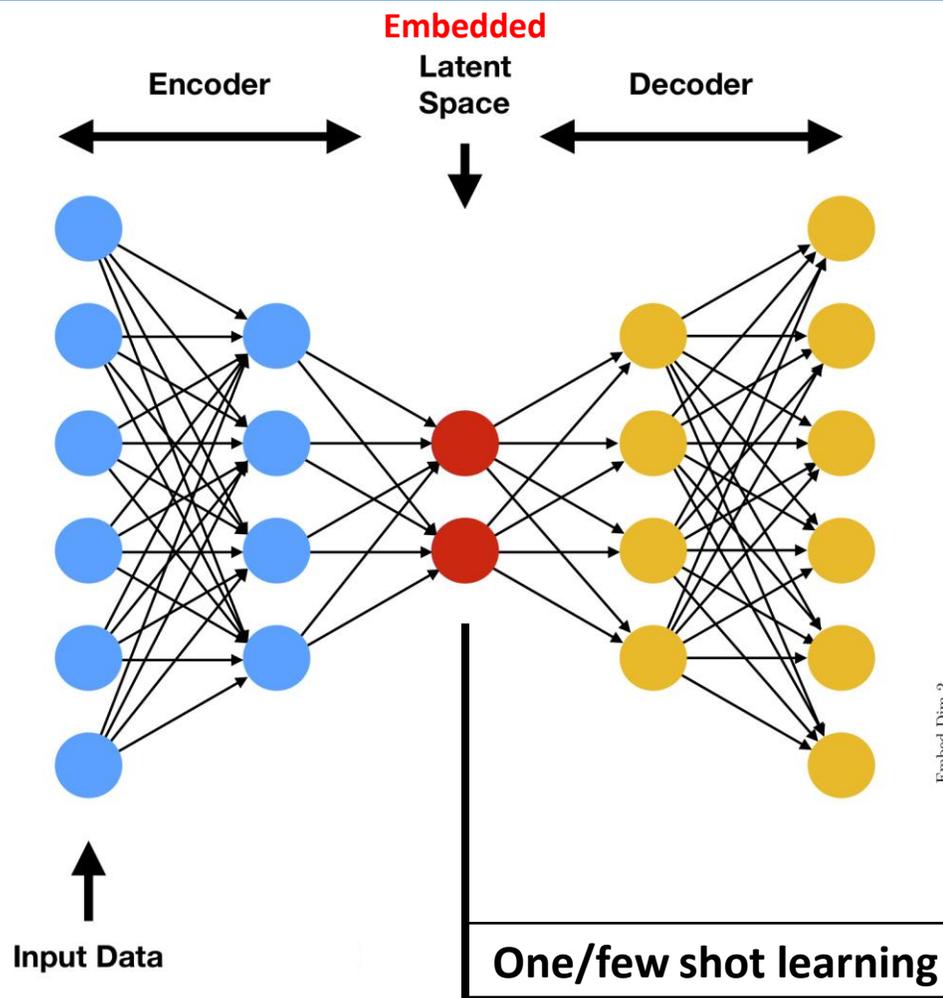


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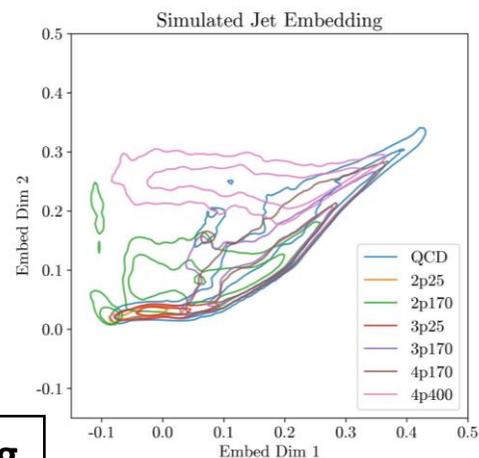


Application – few shot learning



State of the art: Large language models like GPT3 (175 Billion parameter AE model) learn using few-shot learning on their latent spaces

[2005.14165](https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.14165)



Classification

Conclusion

We fell down the rabbit hole and learned that:

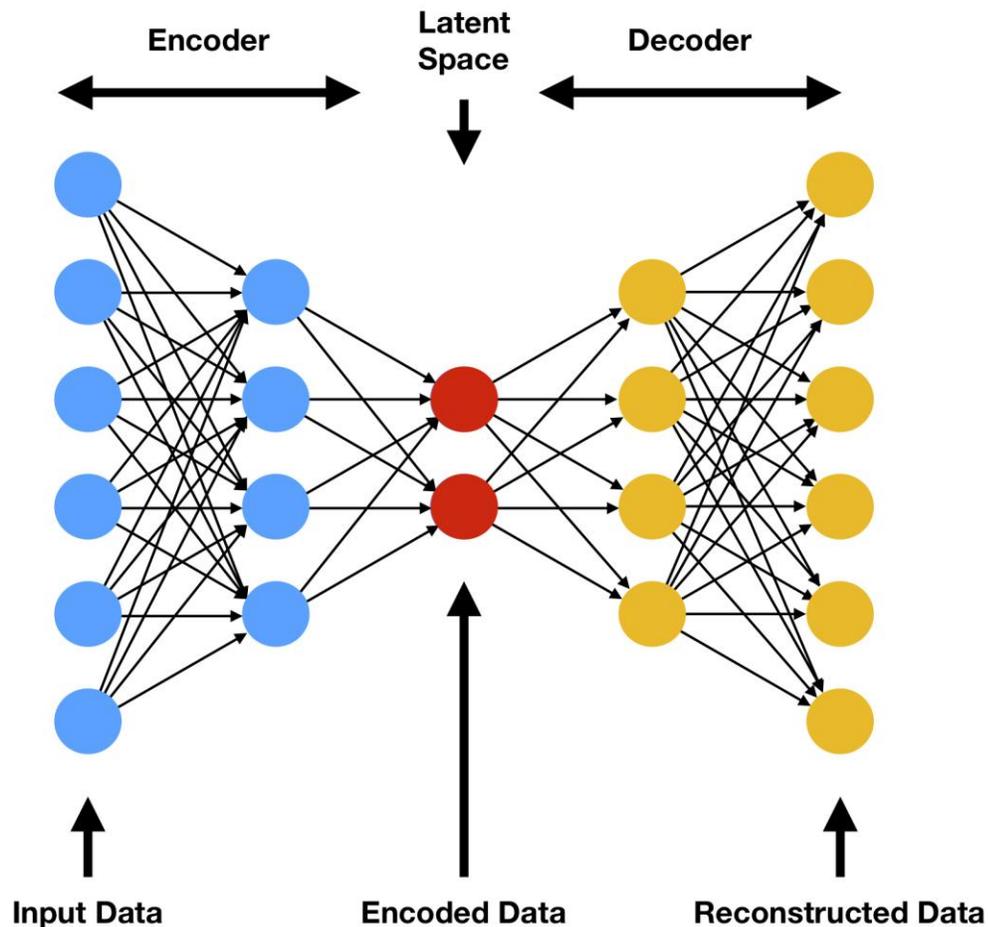
1. Anomaly detection is an unsupervised learning tool that can detect exotic events in a variety of different settings
2. The QUAK-space furthers these concepts, allowing for more complex selections and analysis
3. The holy grail of anomaly detection (in my opinion) lies in embedded latent spaces that contain useful physics metrics. This can be used to **test the coverage space** of different analyses, **design analyses** that cover a new phase space, or **perform a classification!**

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?



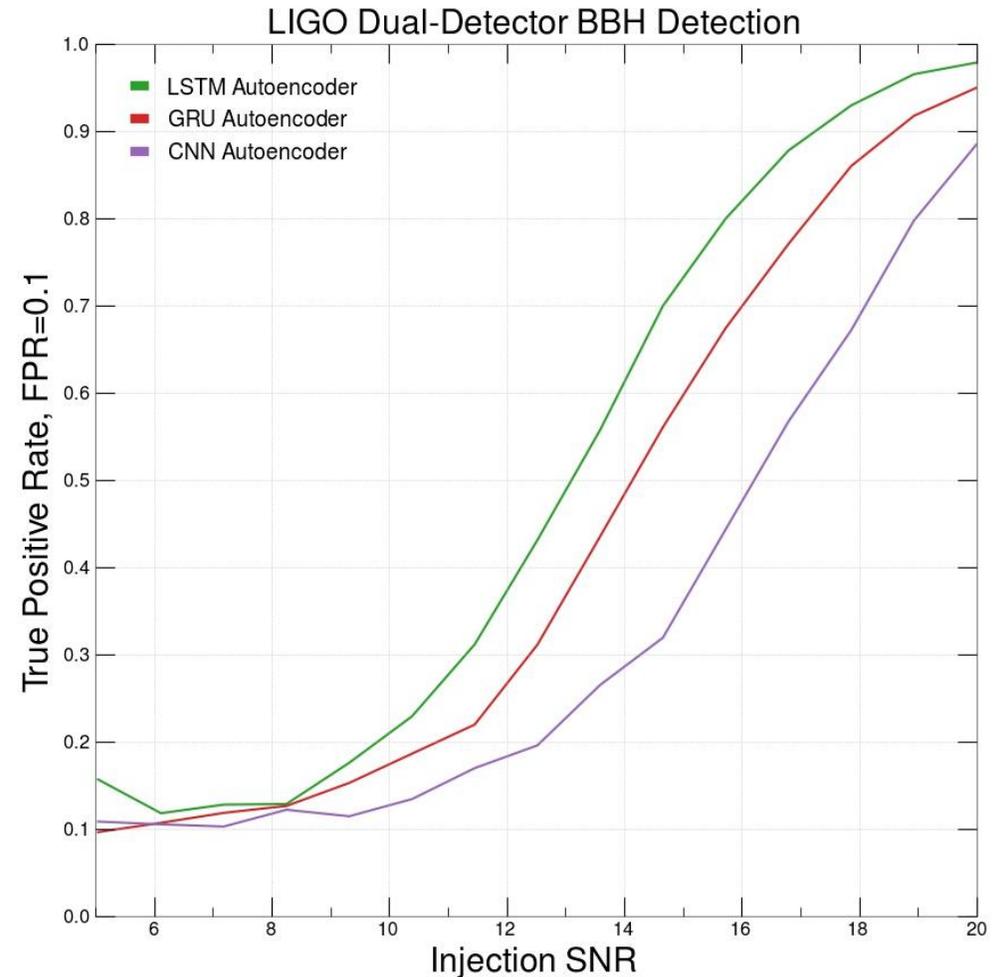
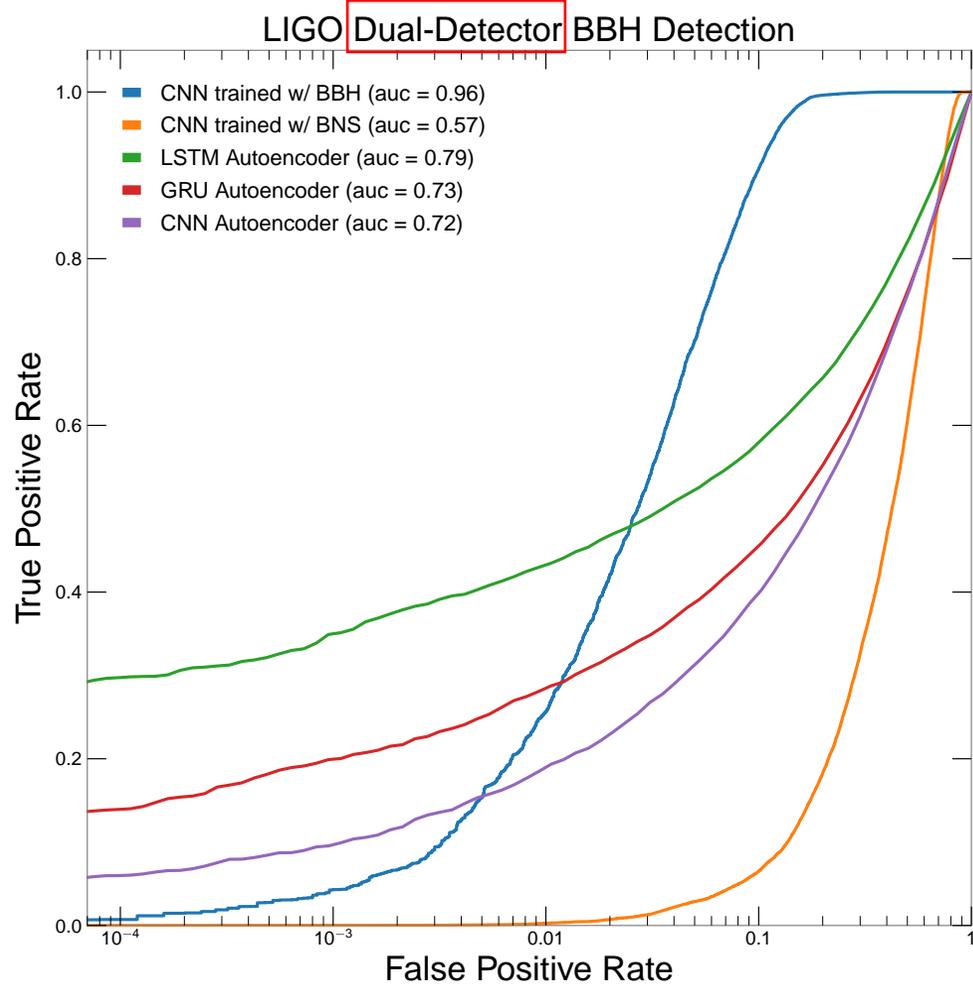
The Autoencoder



- Encoders and decoders made of:
 - Dense Neural Networks (DNN)
 - Convolutional layers (CNN)
 - Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) such as LSTMs or GRUs which are good with dealing with time-dependent data
 - Spiking Neural Networks (interesting proposition!)

Exploiting Dual-Detector Coincidence

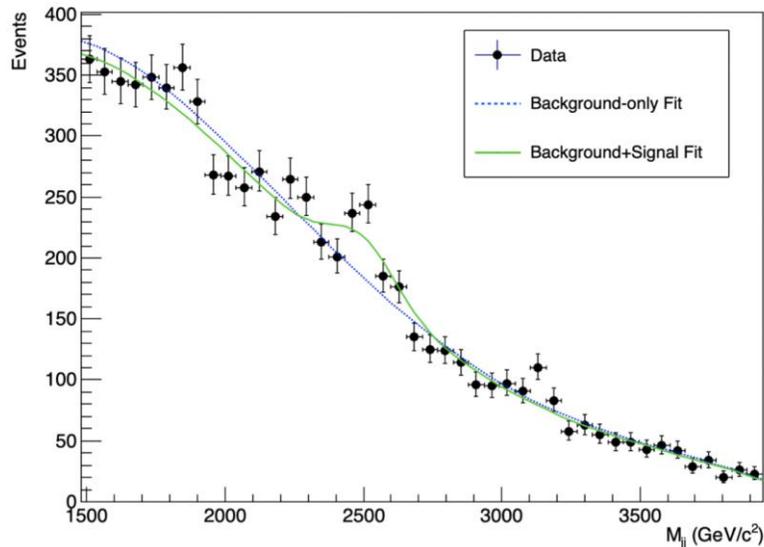
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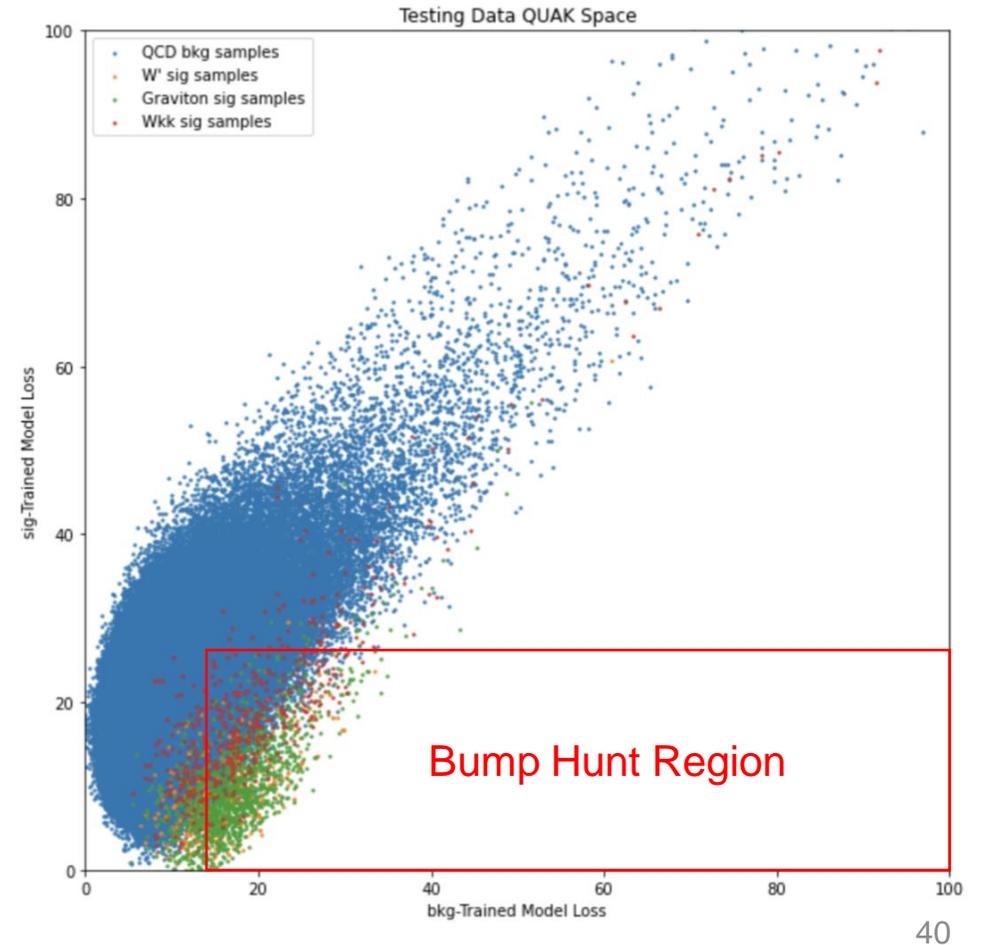
QUAK Anomaly Detection

M. Yunis, Thesis 2022

- Background: QCD
- Trained Signal: $W' \rightarrow WZ$
- Anomaly: $G \rightarrow ZZ$
- Anomaly: $W_{kk} \rightarrow WR \rightarrow W + WW$
- $M_W, M_G, M_{W_{kk}} = 2500 \text{ GeV}$



4.3 excess
at 2500 GeV!



Giving structure to physics events

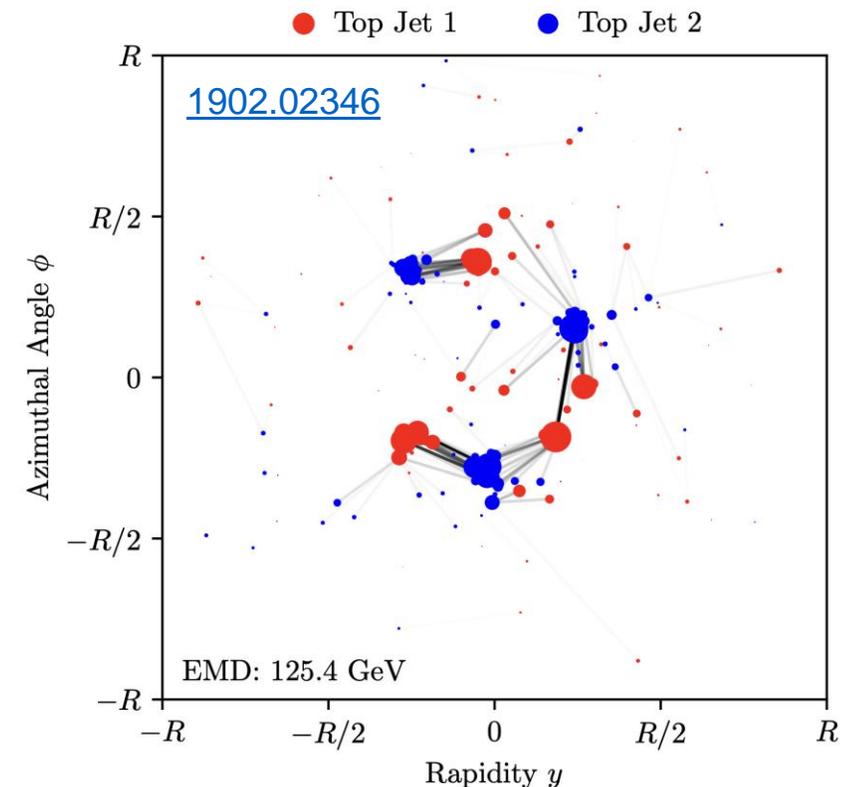
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Optimal transport based metric : Move one event to another by moving energy around

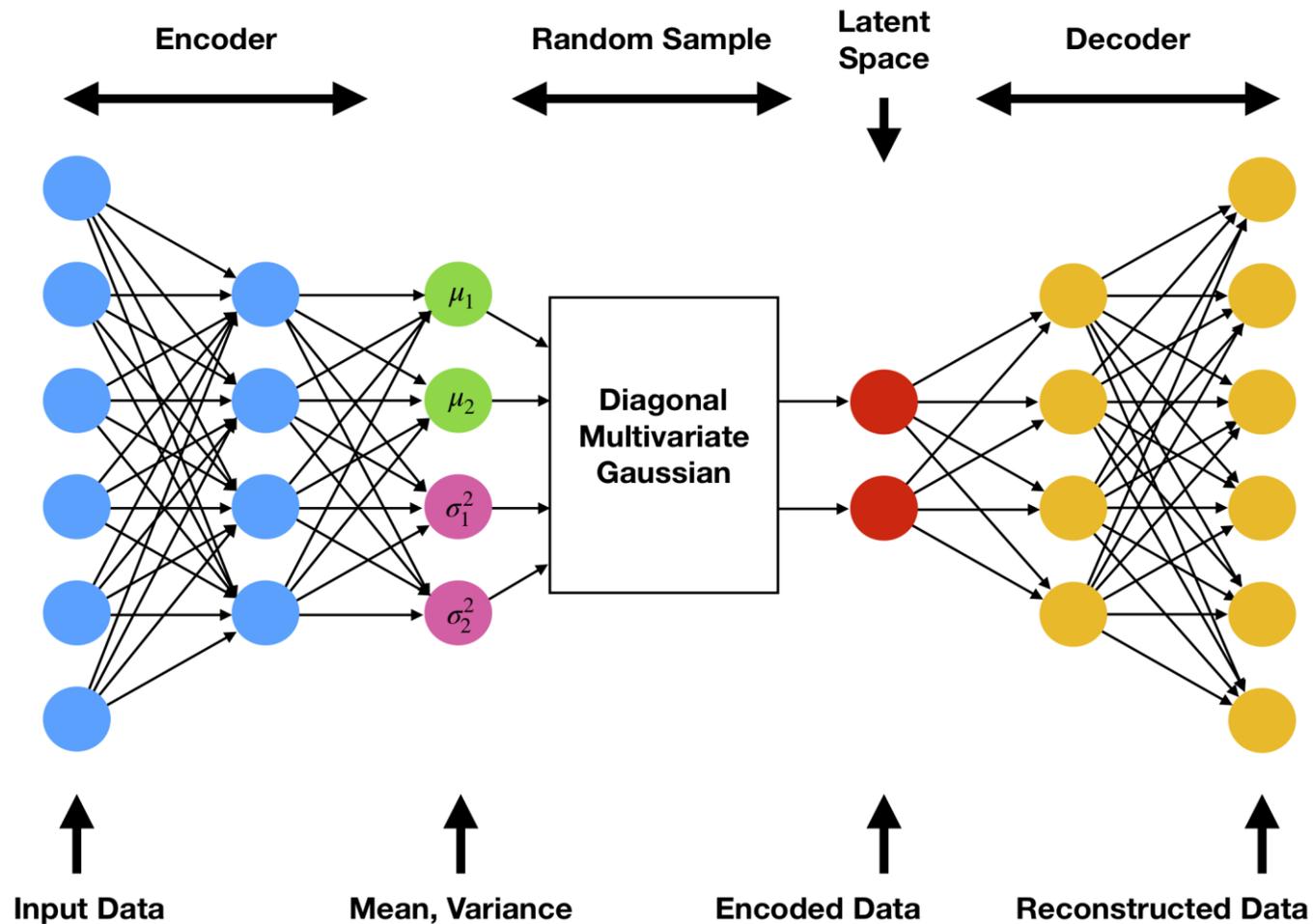
Energy Mover's Distance (Komiske, Metodiev, Thaler, 2019) :

$$\text{EMD}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}') = \min_{\{f_{ij}\}} \sum_{ij} f_{ij} \frac{\theta_{ij}}{R} + \left| \sum_i E_i - \sum_j E'_j \right|,$$
$$f_{ij} \geq 0, \quad \sum_i f_{ij} \leq E_i, \quad \sum_j f_{ij} \leq E'_j, \quad \sum_{ii} f_{ij} = E_{\min}$$

By embedding, we can do a lot of things! Mapping complicated metrics to simpler metrics can give access to powerful algorithmic toolkits, data compression

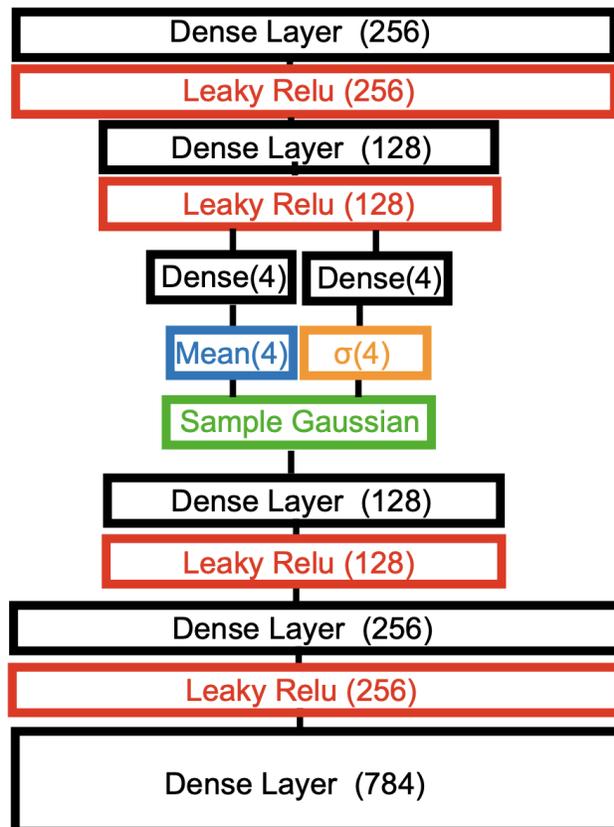


Variational Autoencoder (VAE)

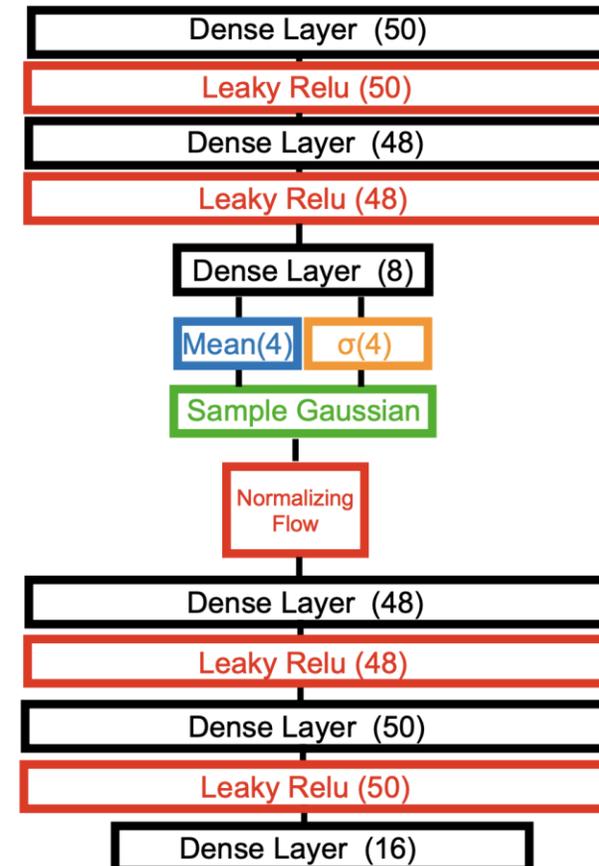


VAE vs Normalizing Flow

Variational Autoencoder Model

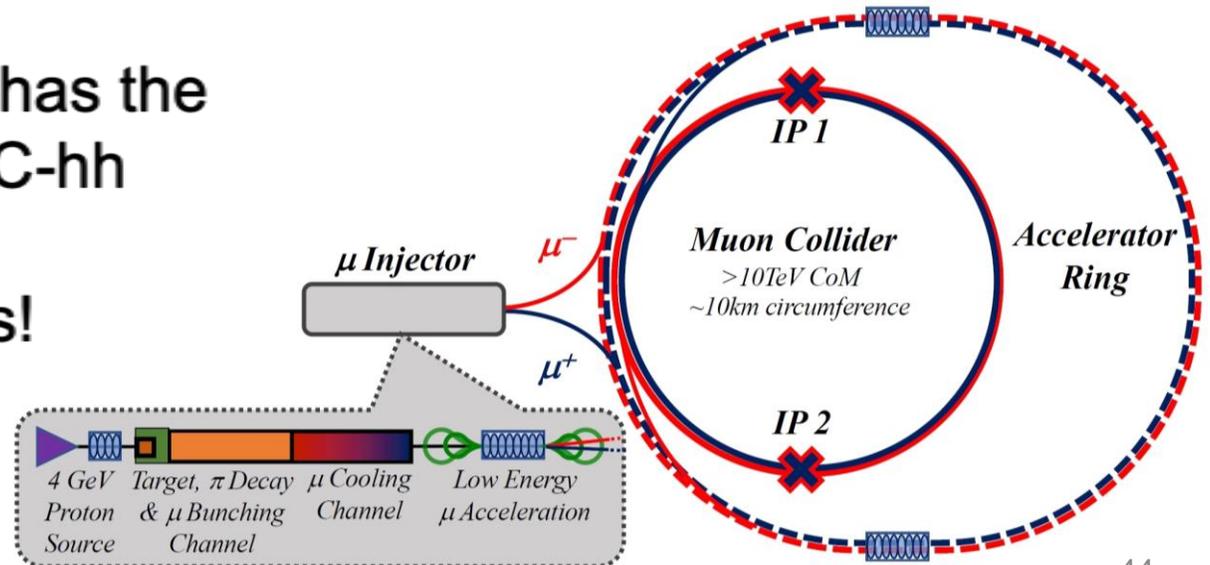


Normalizing Flow Model



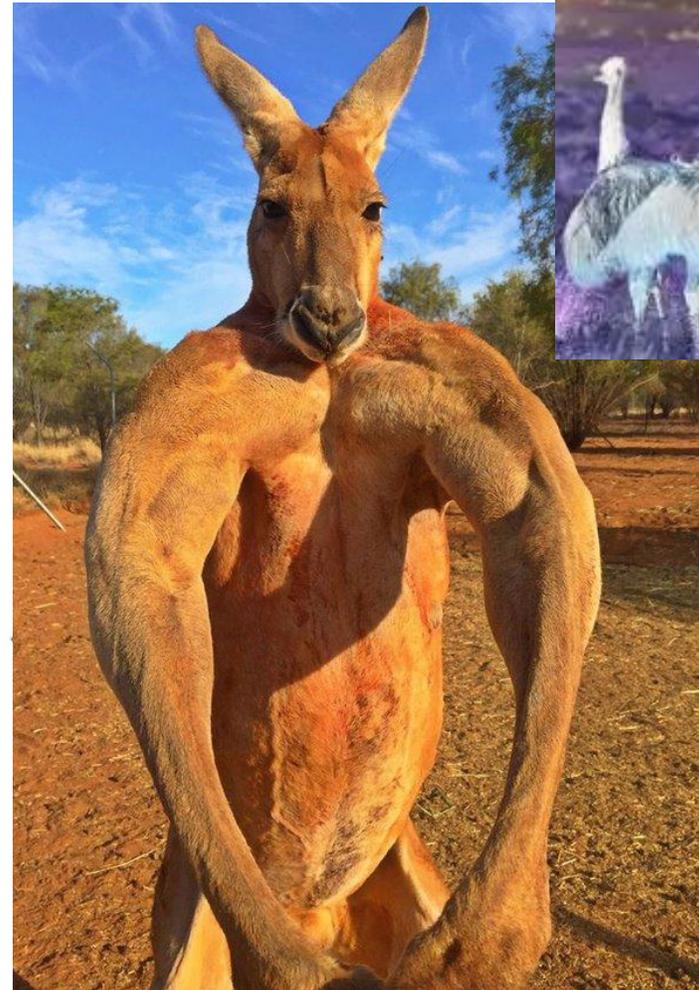
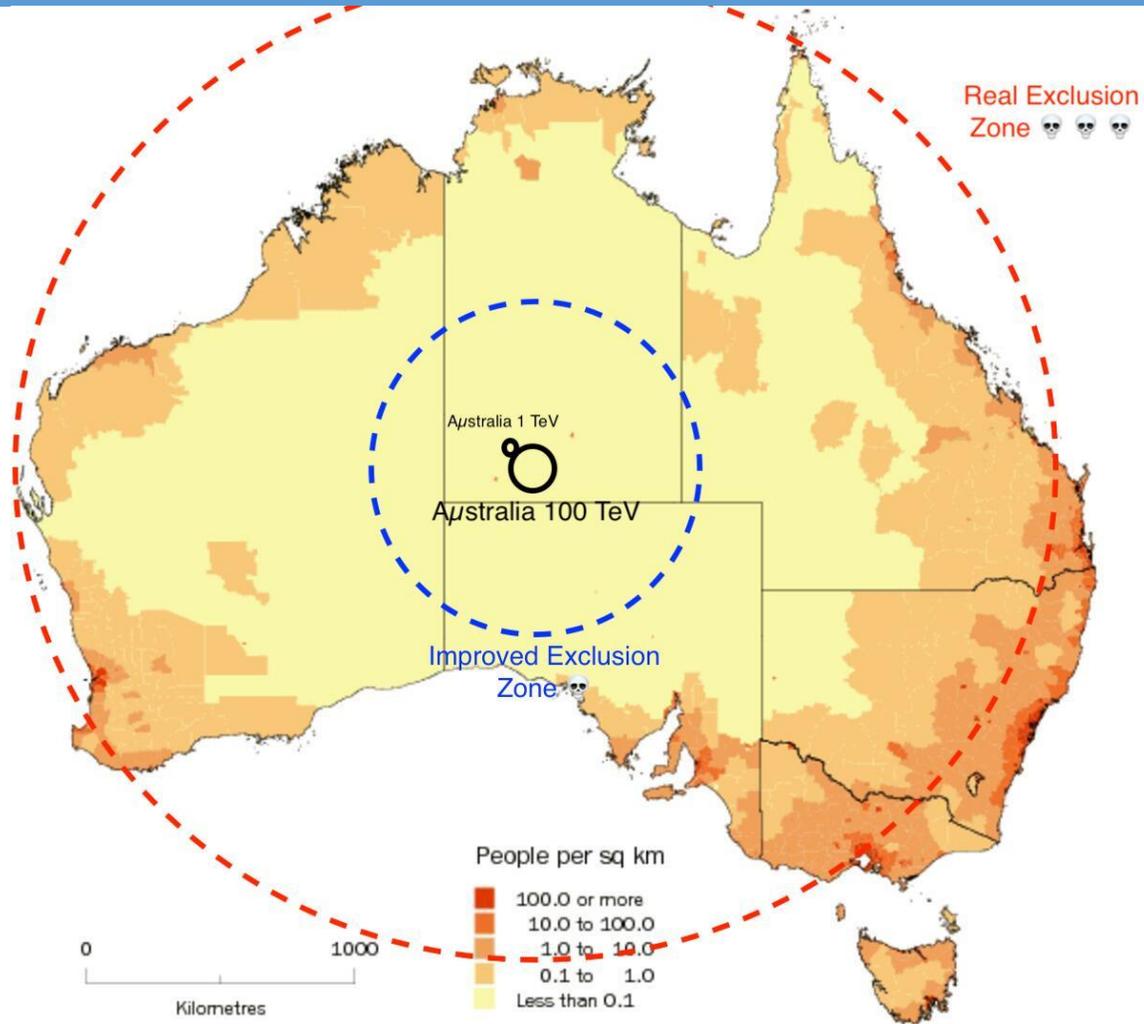
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- $\mu^+\mu^-$ collider is necessary to efficiently explore higher energies!
- Very hard to make a muon beam – would require protons on a target, resulting on pions which decay to muons and need to be refocused and sent down a accelerator/collider – likely circular.
- Cyclotron radiation goes as m^{-4}
- Even a simple 10 TeV $\mu^+\mu^-$ collider has the same CoM energy as proposed FCC-hh (100 TeV)
 - Muons are fundamental particles!



Radioactive Kangaroos/Emus

<https://accelconf.web.cern.ch/p99/PAPERS/THP52.PDF>



Nonnegligible radiation from muons in soil