

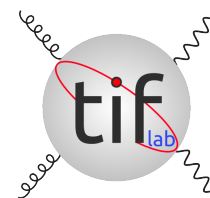


MACHINE LEARNING IN HIGH-ENERGY PHYSICS

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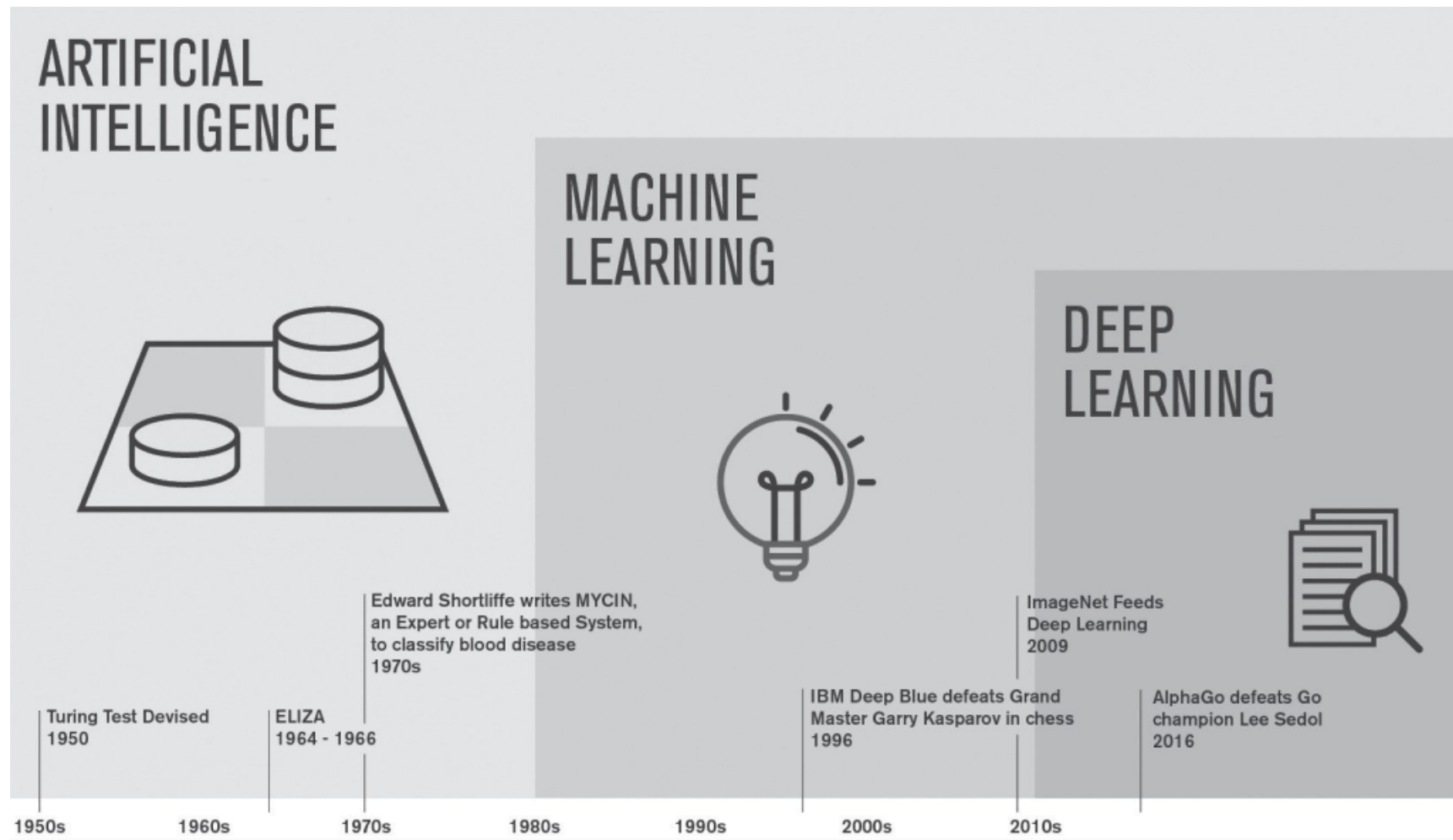
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SUMMARY

- INTRODUCTION: AI vs. ML
- ML IN HEP: SOME EXAMPLES
 - GAN EVENT UNWEIGHTING
 - ML CLASSIFIERS FOR OPTIMAL EFT SENSITIVITY
 - MAPPING ML ONTO HUMAN LEARNING
- A CASE STUDY: PDFs AS A ML PROBLEM
 - PDFs AND NNPDFs
 - NEURAL NETWORKS
 - MINIMIZATION: STOCHASTIC AND DETERMINISTIC
 - UNDER- AND OVER-LEARNING
 - CROSS-VALIDATION
 - HYPEROPTIMIZATION
 - K -FOLDING
 - GAN COMPRESSION

AI vs. ML

FROM AI TO ML



SHIFTING OF PARADIGMS

“KNOWLEDGE BASED” AI

- LEARN AND IMPLEMENT A SET OF RULES
- GOOD FOR CHESS, BAD FOR REAL LIFE



MACHINE LEARNING

- “INTUITIVE”
REPRESENTATION
- THE AI AGENT
BUILID UP
ITS OWN KNOWLEDGE



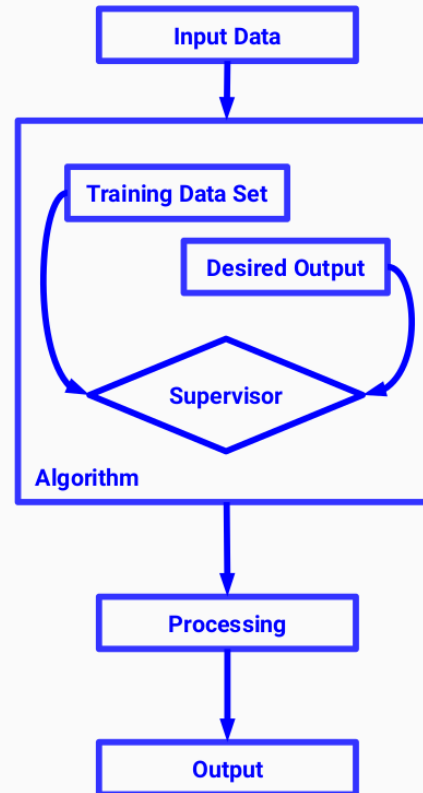
MACHINE LEARNING ALGORITHMS

Unsupervised learning



EXTRACT AND OPTIMIZE
DATA FEATURES

Supervised learning



OPTIMIZE A PROPERTY
LEARNING FROM DATA

Reinforcement learning



LEARN FROM DATA
THE LEARNING STRATEGY

ML IN HEP

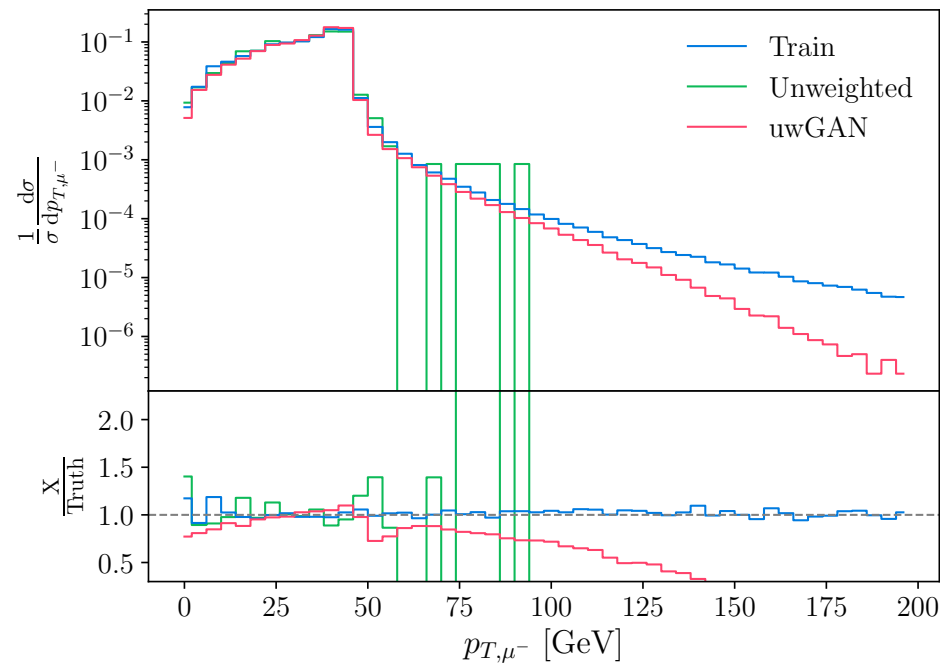
RECENT EXAMPLES

GANs FOR EVENT UNWEIGHTING

(Backes, Butter, Plehn, Winterhalder, 2021)

- A CLASSIC PROBLEM: **DETERMINE WEIGHTS** FOR INTEGRATION:
 $\sigma = \int dx w(x) = \int dy \tilde{w}(y), \tilde{w}(y) \approx \text{CONST.}$
- **STANDARD** SOLUTION: **IMPORTANCE SAMPLING** \Rightarrow RESCALE BASED ON SAMPLING (VEGAS)
- GAN: USE **EVENTS TO TRAIN** GAN
- PRODUCE **UNWEIGHTED** EVENTS WITH **GAN**

MUON p_T DISTRIBUTION IN W^- PRODUCTION



500K training, 1k standard unweighted, 30M uwGAN events

- **FASTER** EVENT GENERATION
- **REILIABILITY?**

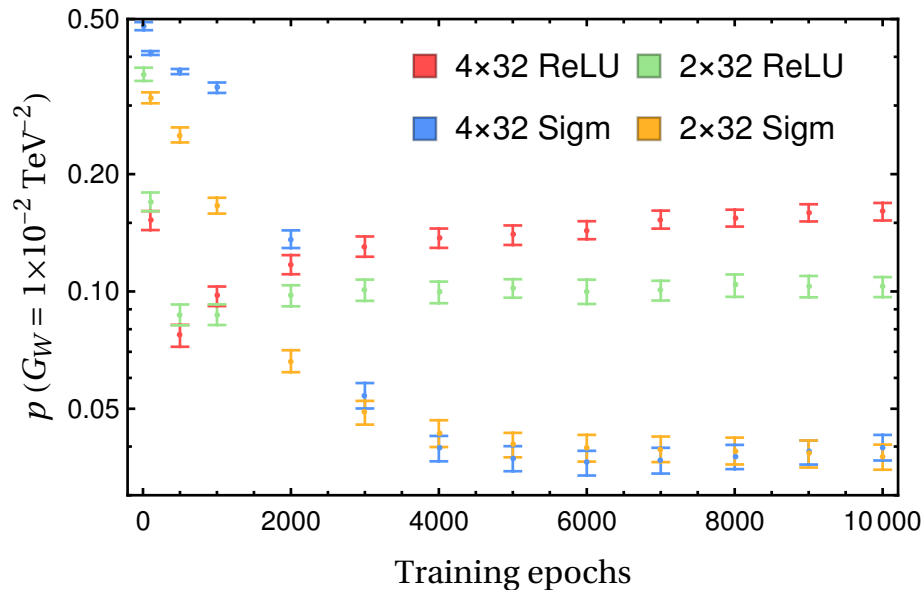
NEURAL NETWORK CLASSIFIER FOR EFT BOUNDS

(Chen, Glioti, Panico, Wulzer, 2020)

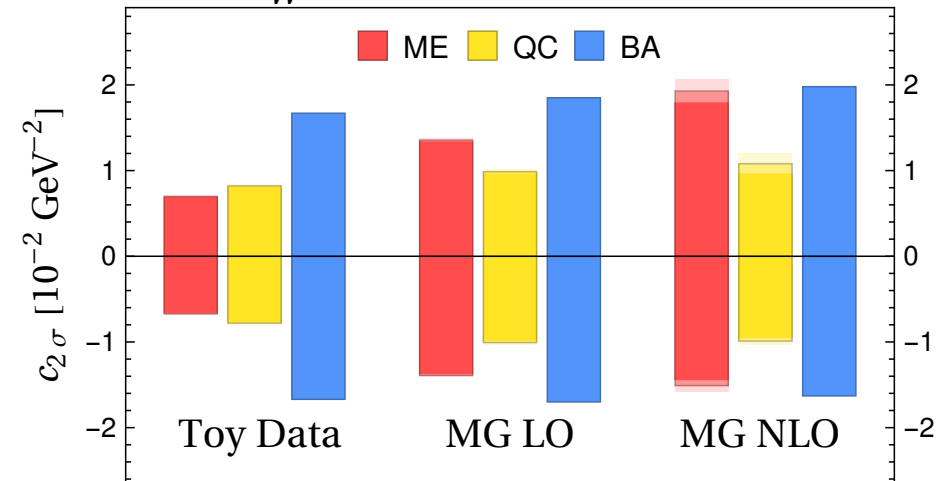
- **EFT CROSS SECTION** $d\sigma_0(x; c) = d\sigma_1(x)[(1 + c\alpha(x))^2 + (c\beta(x))^2]$:
 x kin. variables; SM $\Rightarrow c = 0$; α, β coefficient functions for single operator
- **TRAIN NEURAL NETWORKS** TO REPRODUCE $\alpha(x) \beta(x)$
 \Leftrightarrow **GENERATE MC SAMPLES** WITH SEVERAL VALUES OF c & $c = 0$
- **OBTAIN RATIO** $d\sigma_0(x; c)/d\sigma_1(x)$ FOR ALL c, x
- **HYPEROPTIMIZE** NEURAL NETWORK PARAMETERS

FULLY LEPTONIC ZW

HYPEROPT



$G_W - 2\sigma$ Exclusion Reach

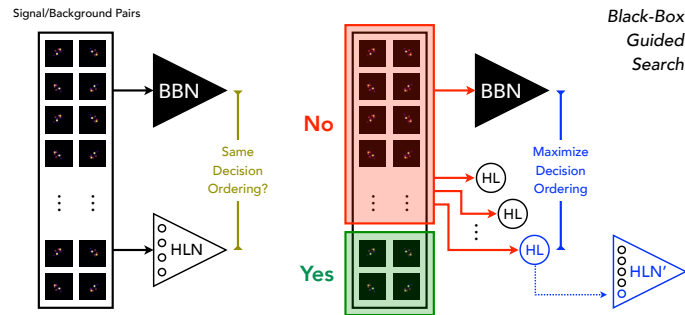


Element vs NN Quadratic Classifier
& Binned Analysis

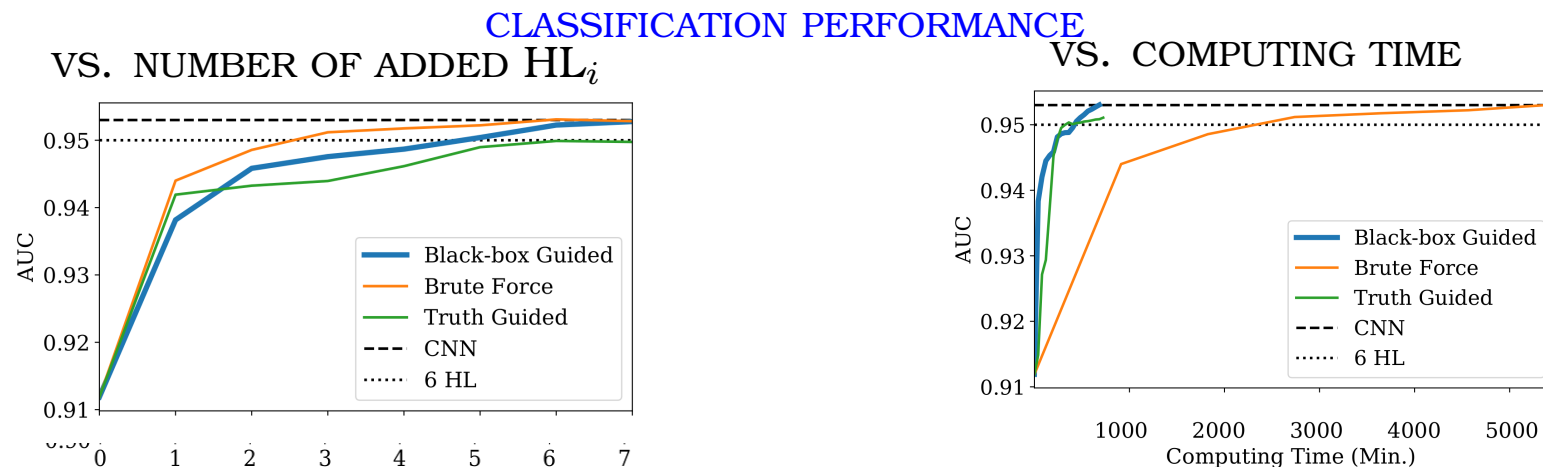
Matrix

- STUDY WITH **TOTAL INTEGRATED HL-LHC LUMI**
- COMPARISON TO **MATRIX ELEMENT** METHOD BASED ON **ANALYTIC APPROX**
 & **BINNED ANALYSIS** IN Pp_T^Z BASED ON THE SAME **MC SIMULATIONS**
- **NO DETERIORATION** AT NLO

ML INSIGHTS ON HUMAN CLASSIFICATION (Faucett, Thaler, Witeson, 2021)



- **CLASSIFICATION PROBLEM:** IS EVENT **SIGNAL** OR **BACKGROUND**
EXAMPLE: $W \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ **SIGNAL:** QUARK JETS
- START WITH **SET OF HL OBSERVABLES** & COMPARE TO **BLACK-BOX NN CLASSIFIER**
EXAMPLE OF HL: JET MASS, ENERGY CORRELATION FUNCTIONS...
- SELECT **HL₁ OBSERVABLE WITH HIGHEST AGREEMENT**,
LOOK AT **EVENTS WITH HIGHEST DISAGREEMENT**
- SELECT **HL₂ OBSERVABLE WITH HIGHEST AGREEMENT** & TRAIN NN ON HL₁ AND HL₂
- **ITERATE** UNTIL **OPTIMAL** SET OF HL_{*i*} DETERMINED



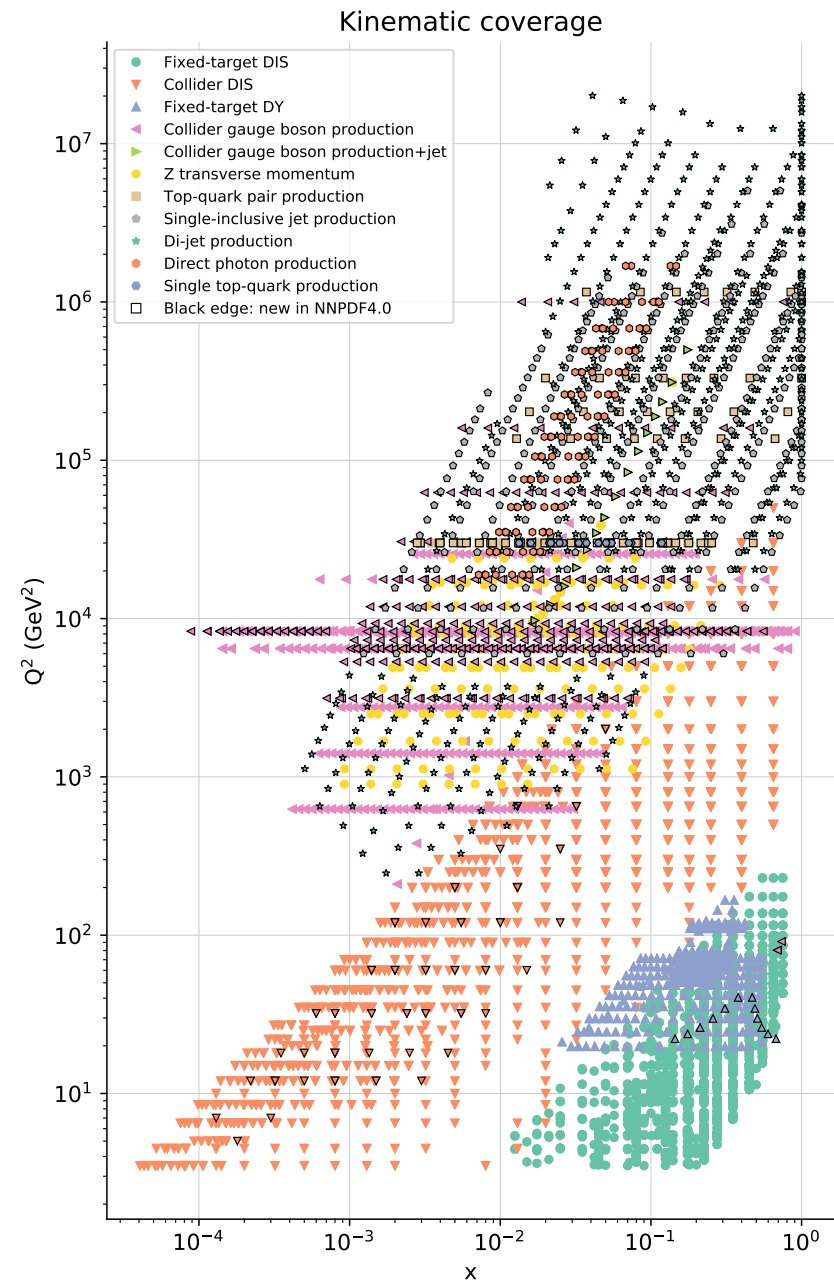
- **MORE PERFORMANT** THAN TRUTH-GUIDED, SLIGHTLY LESS THAN BRUTE-FORCE
- **COMPUTATIONALLY AS EFFICIENT** AS TRUTH-GUIDED, **MUCH MORE** THAN BRUTE FORCE
- **PROVIDES INSIGHT** ON HL OBSERVABLES

A CASE STUDY: PDFS AS A ML PROBLEM

PDF DETERMINATION

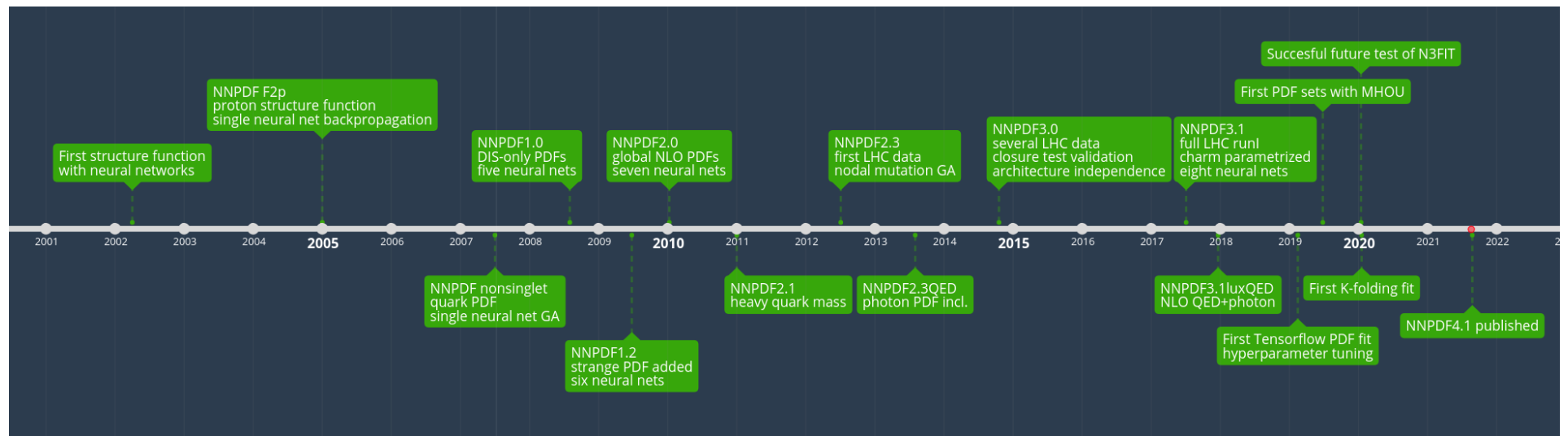
the nnpdf4.0 dataset

- LHC CROSS SECTION:
 - $\sigma = \sum_{ij} \hat{\sigma}_{ij} \otimes f_i^{(1)} f_j^{(2)}$
 - $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}$ PARTONIC CROSS SECTION FOR WITH INCOMING PARTONS i, j
 - $f_i^{(j)}(x, Q^2)$ PDF FOR PARTON OF SPECIES i IN j -TH INCOMING PROTON
 - \otimes CONVOLUTION OVER x
 - PDF DEPENDS ON Q^2 AND x , OTHER KINEMATIC VARIABLES IN $\hat{\sigma}$
- PARTONIC CROSS SECTION COMPUTED PERTURBATIVELY
- PDFs DETERMINED COMPARING σ TO DATA



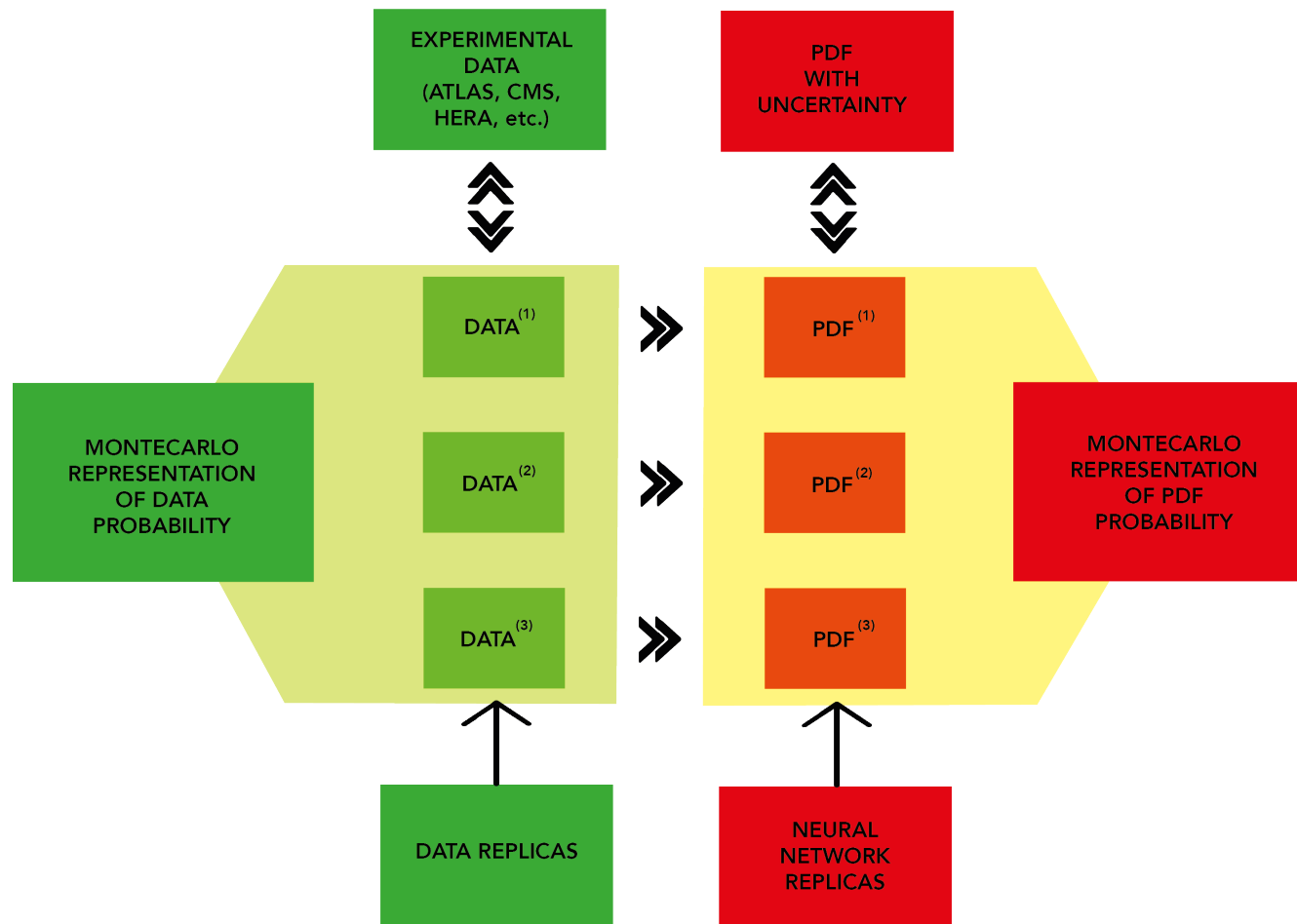
PROTON STRUCTURE AS AN AI PROBLEM:

NNPDF



AI FOR PDFS: THE NNPDF APPROACH THE FUNCTIONAL MONTE CARLO

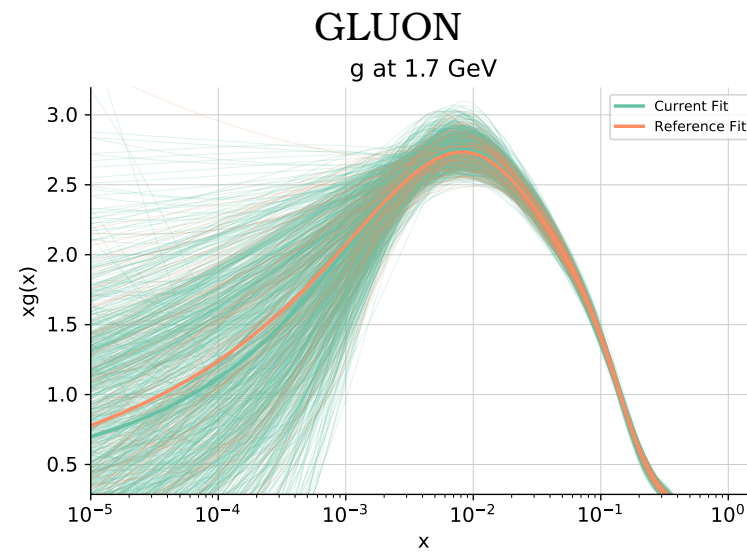
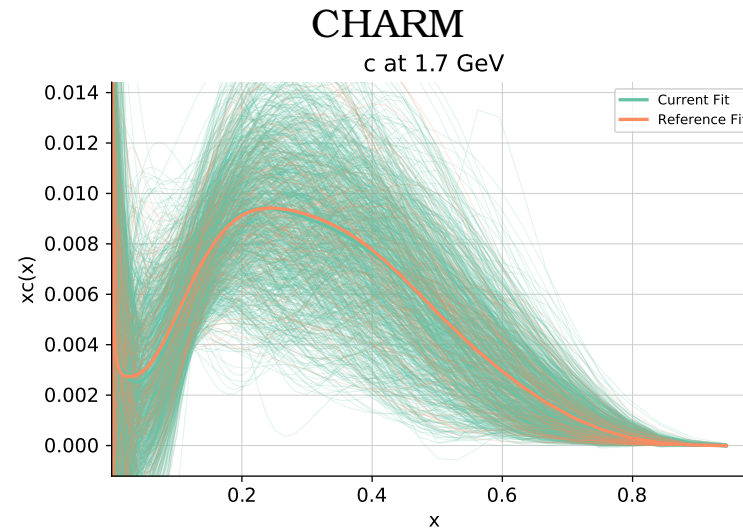
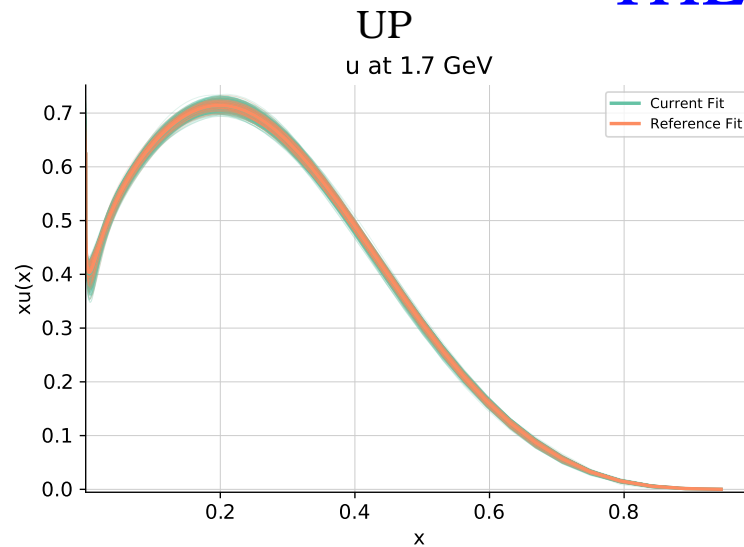
REPLICA SAMPLE OF FUNCTIONS \Leftrightarrow PROBABILITY DENSITY IN FUNCTION SPACE
KNOWLEDGE OF LIKELIHOOD SHAPE (FUNCTIONAL FORM) NOT NECESSARY



FINAL PDF SET: $f_i^{(a)}(x, \mu);$

$i = \text{up, antiup, down, antidown, strange, antistrange, charm, gluon}; j = 1, 2, \dots, N_{\text{rep}}$

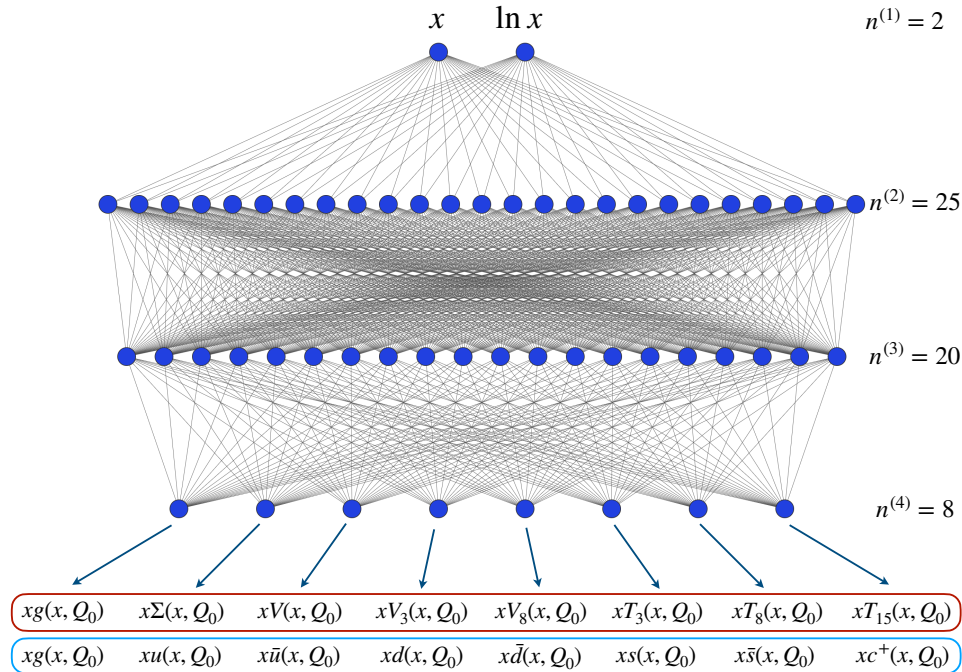
THE PDFs



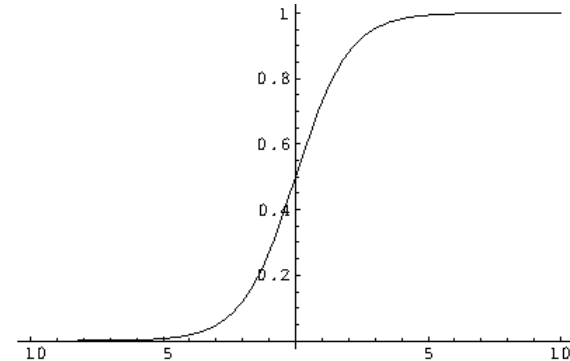
MC REPLICAS \Leftrightarrow PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION

NEURAL NETWORKS

ARCHITECTURE



ACTIVATION FUNCTION



$$F_{\text{out}}^{(i)}(\vec{x}_{\text{in}}) = F\left(\sum_j \omega_{ij} x_{\text{in}}^j - \theta_i\right)$$

PARAMETERS

- **UNIVERSAL** INTERPOLANT
- CAN REPRODUCE **ANY** FUNCTIONAL FORM
- **COMPLEXITY GROWS** DURING TRAINING

- **WEIGHTS** ω_{ij}
- **THRESHOLDS** θ_i

TRAINING: MINIMIZE **LOSS** FUNCTION (E.G. χ^2)

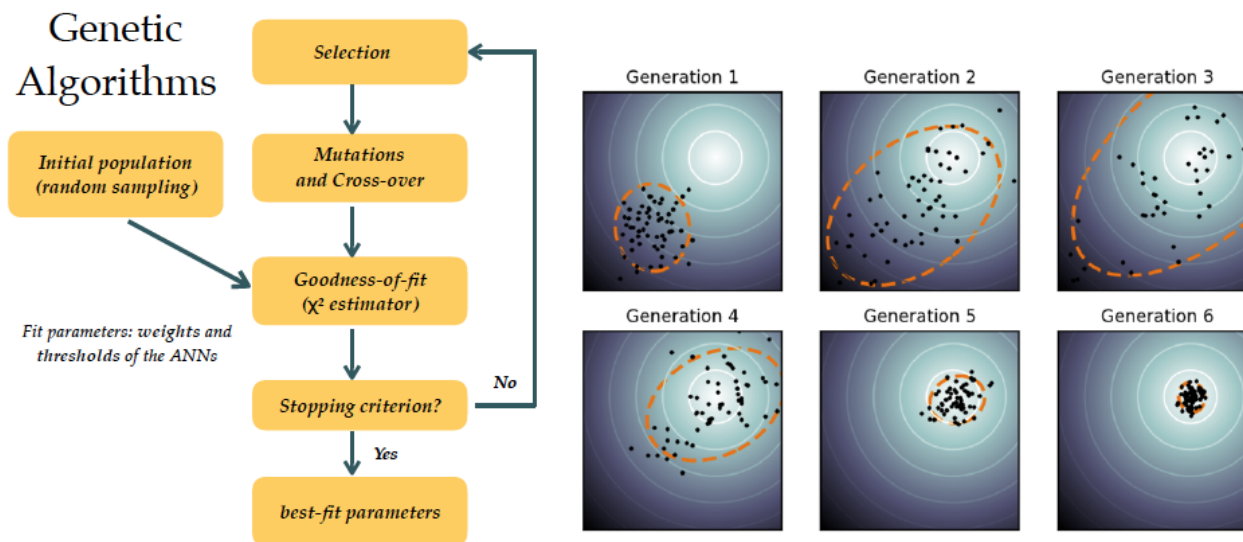
GENETIC ALGORITHMS

BASIC IDEA

- RANDOM MUTATION OF THE NN PARAMETER
- SELECTION OF THE FITTEST

FEATURES

- SLOW, COMPUTATIONALLY EXPENSIVE
- AVOIDS LOCAL MINIMA



CHOICES

- NUMBER OF MUTANTS
- MUTATION RATES
- NODAL VS LOCAL MUTATION
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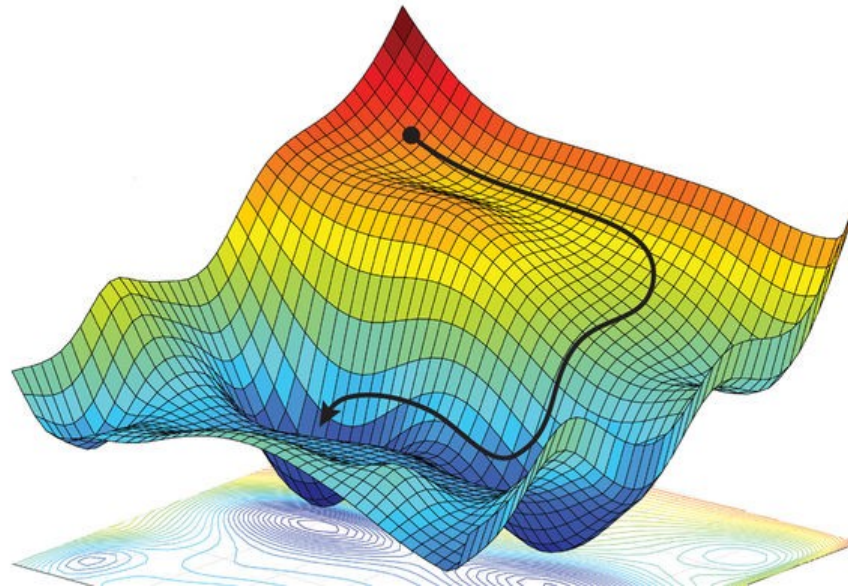
GRADIENT DESCENT

BASIC IDEA

- COMPUTE GRADIENT OF LOSS WR TO PARAMETERS
- STEEPEST DESCENT PATH

FEATURES

- LARGE MEMORY FOOTPRINT
- FAST



CHOICES

- GRADIENT SAMPLING AND BATCHES
- MOMENTUM (MEMORY OF PREVIOUS GRADIENT)
- ADAPTIVE PER-PARAMETER RATE
- . . .

NNPDF4.0 PDF LEARNING: AN ANIMATION

NEURAL NETWORK TRAINING

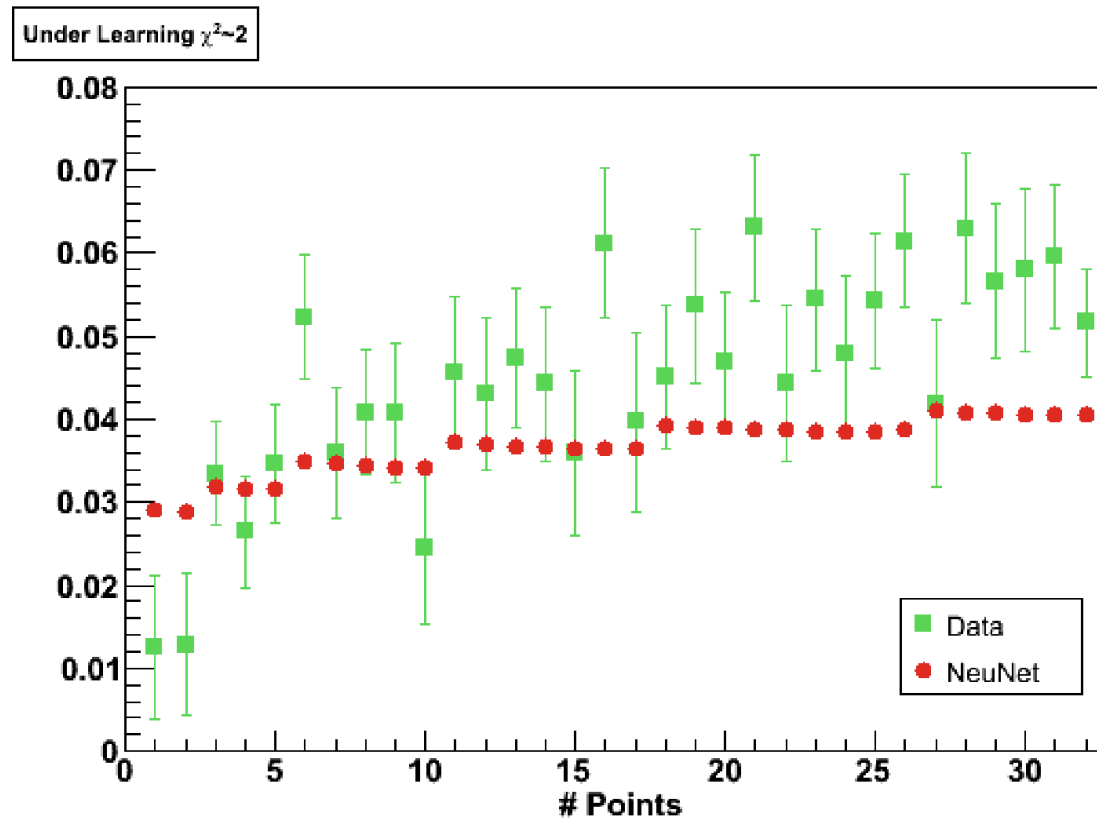
SOME FEATURES: GRADIENT DESCENT OPTIMIZATION SHOWN (NADAM)

- STRUCTURE BUILDS UP
- OUTLIERS BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL
- FEWER RANDOM FLUCTUATIONS
- UNCERTAINTIES SHRINK

NEURAL LEARNING

- COMPLEXITY INCREASES AS THE FITTING PROCEEDS
- UNTIL LEARNING NOISE
- WHEN SHOULD ONE STOP?

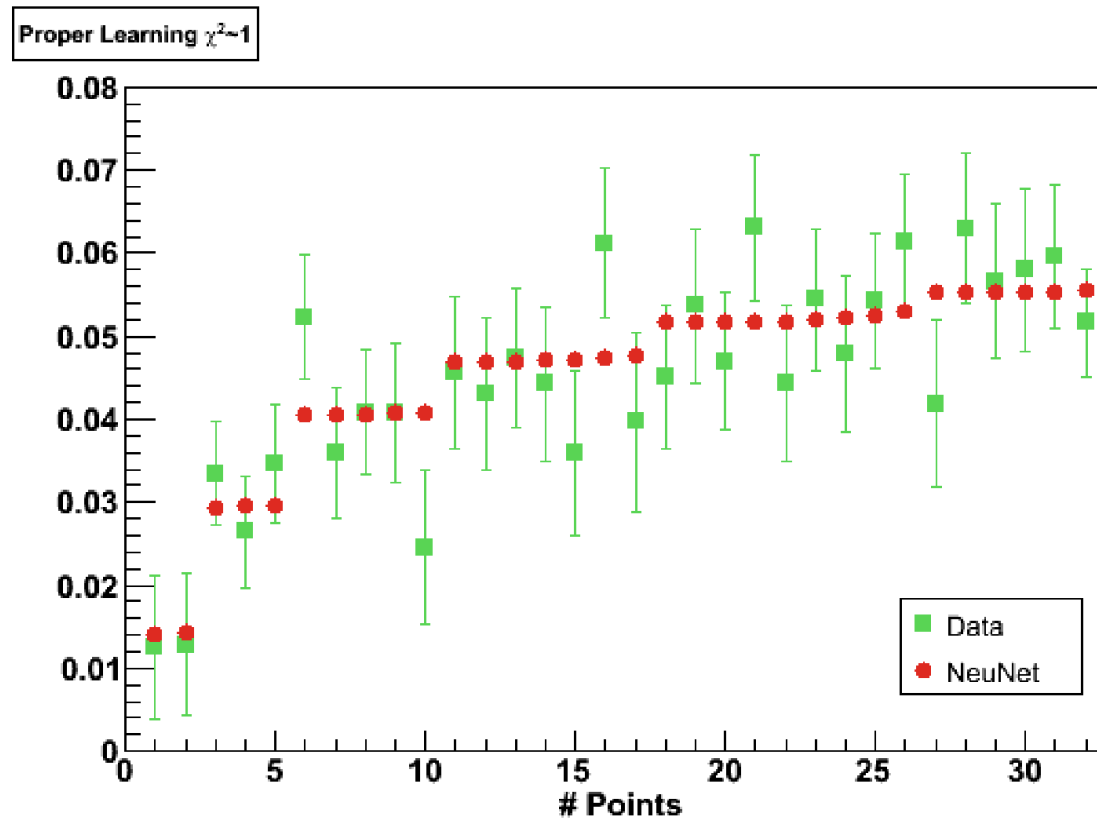
UNDERLEARNING



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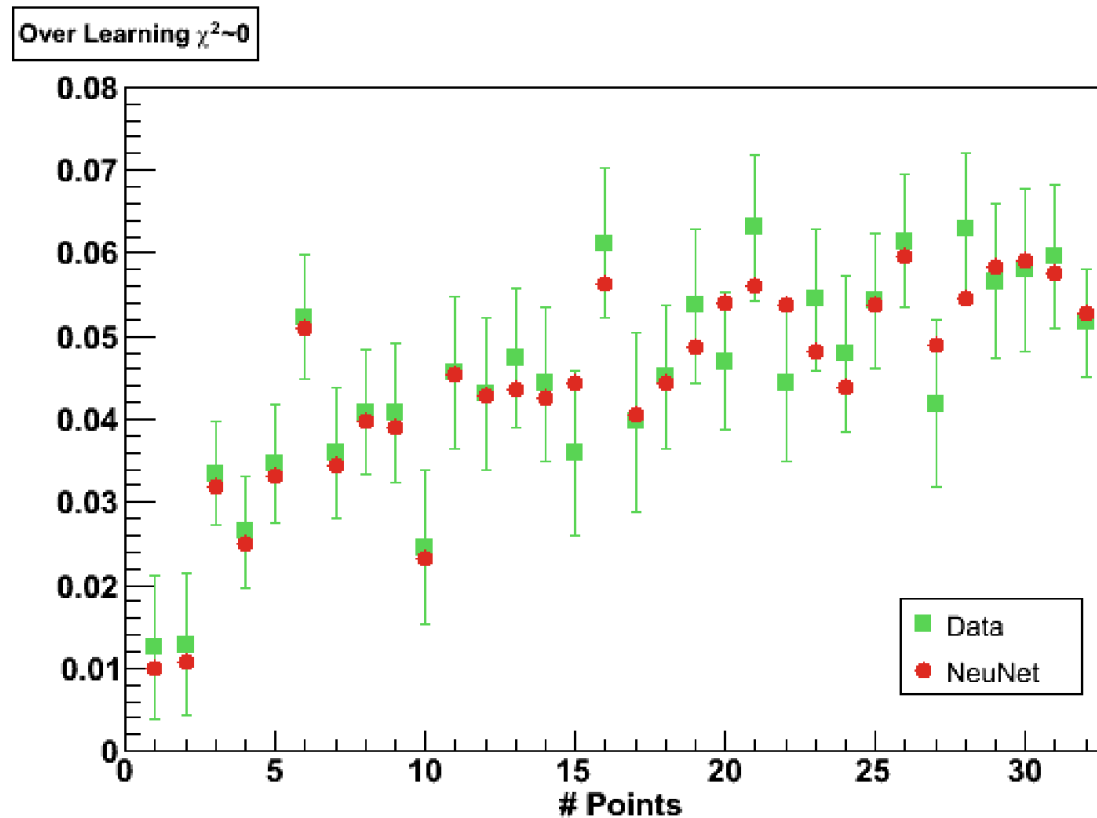
PROPER LEARNING



NEURAL LEARNING

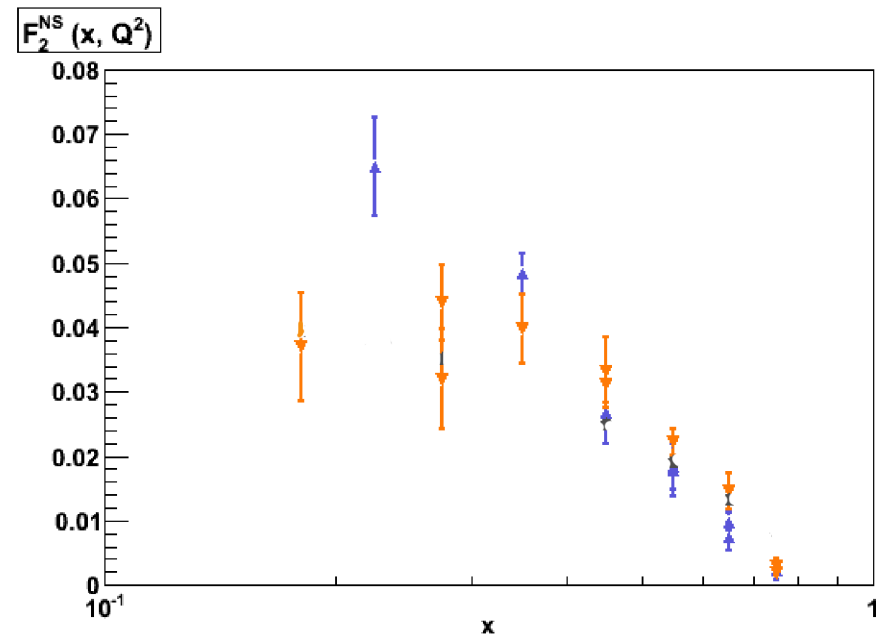
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OVERLEARNING



OPTIMAL FIT: CROSS-VALIDATION

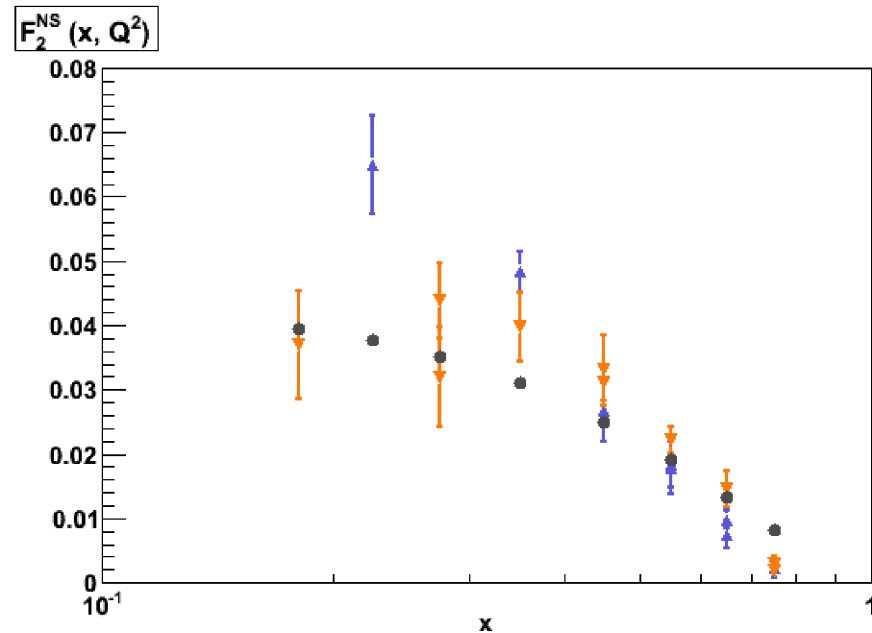
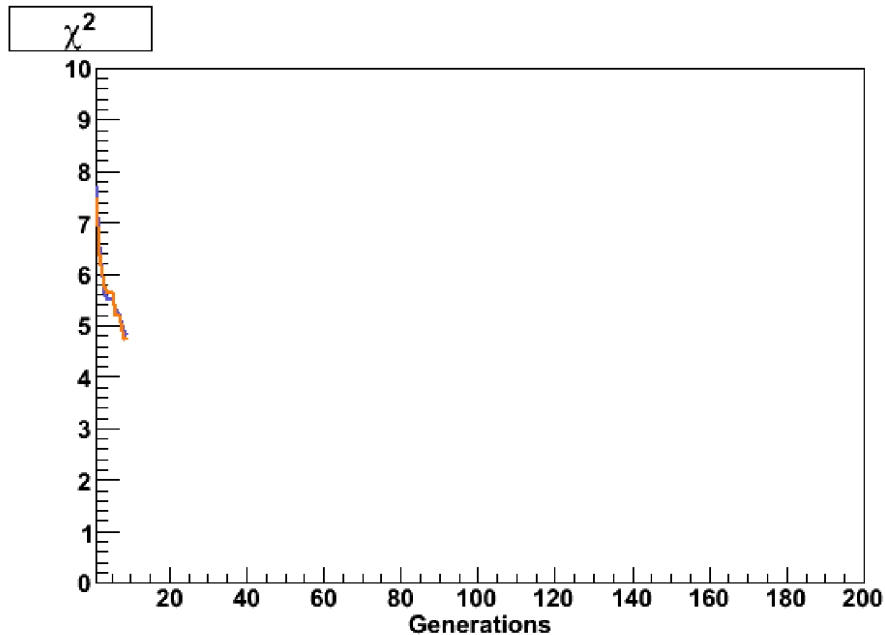
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- MINIMIZE THE χ^2 OF THE DATA IN THE **TRAINING** SET
- AT EACH ITERATION, COMPUTE THE χ^2 FOR THE DATA IN THE **VALIDATION** SET (NOT USED FOR FITTING)
- WHEN THE **VALIDATION** χ^2 STOPS DECREASING, STOP THE FIT



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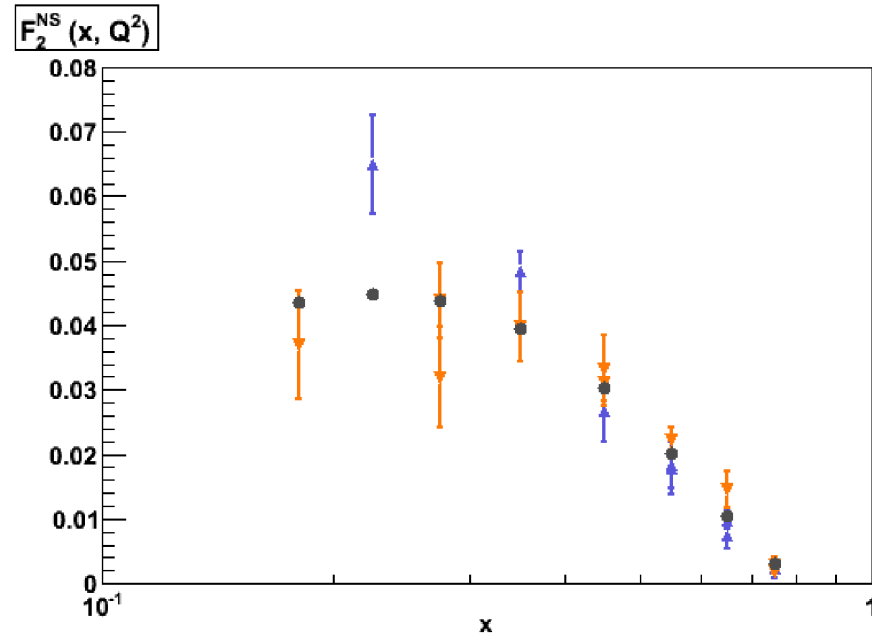
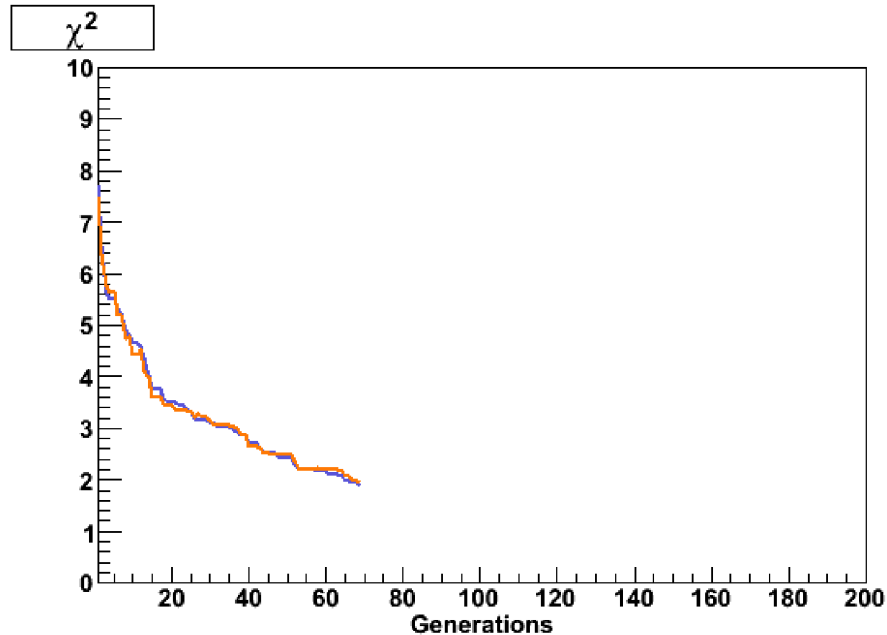
GO!



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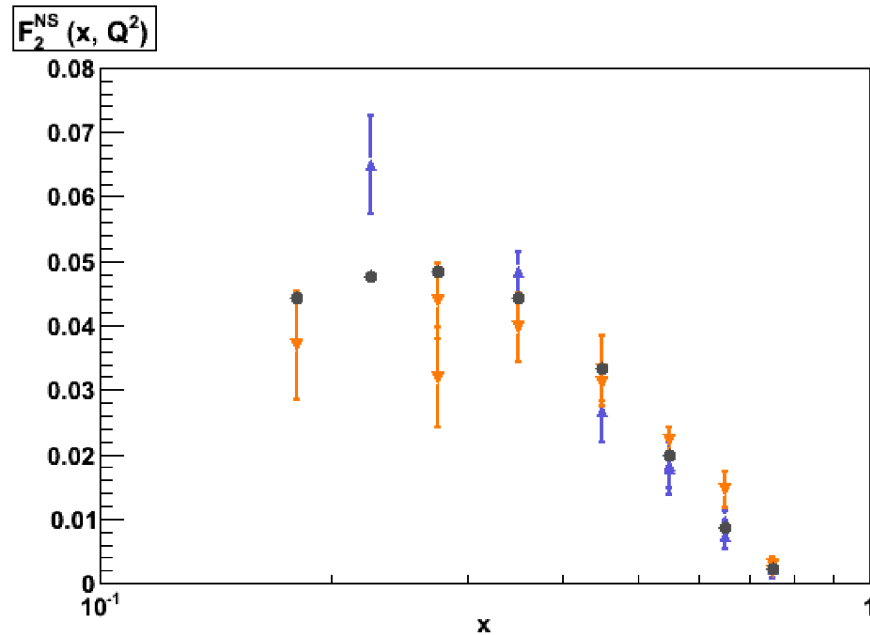
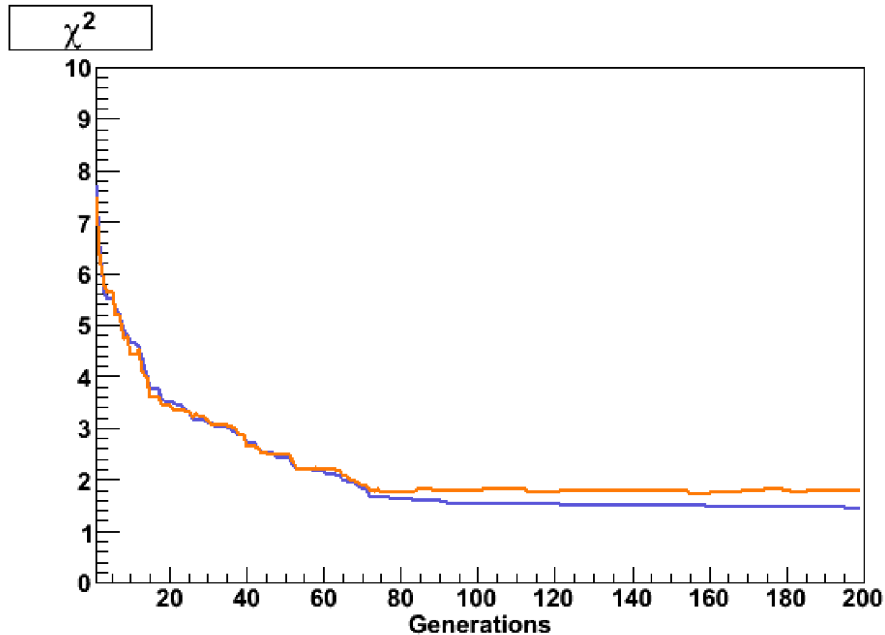
STOP!



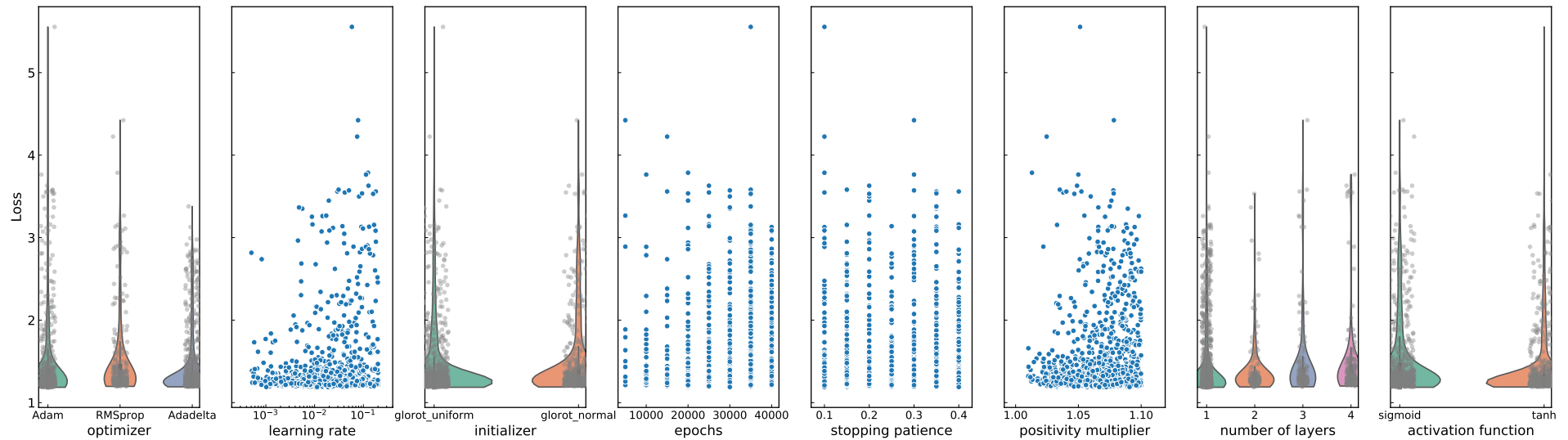
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TOO LATE!



HYPEROPTIMIZATION

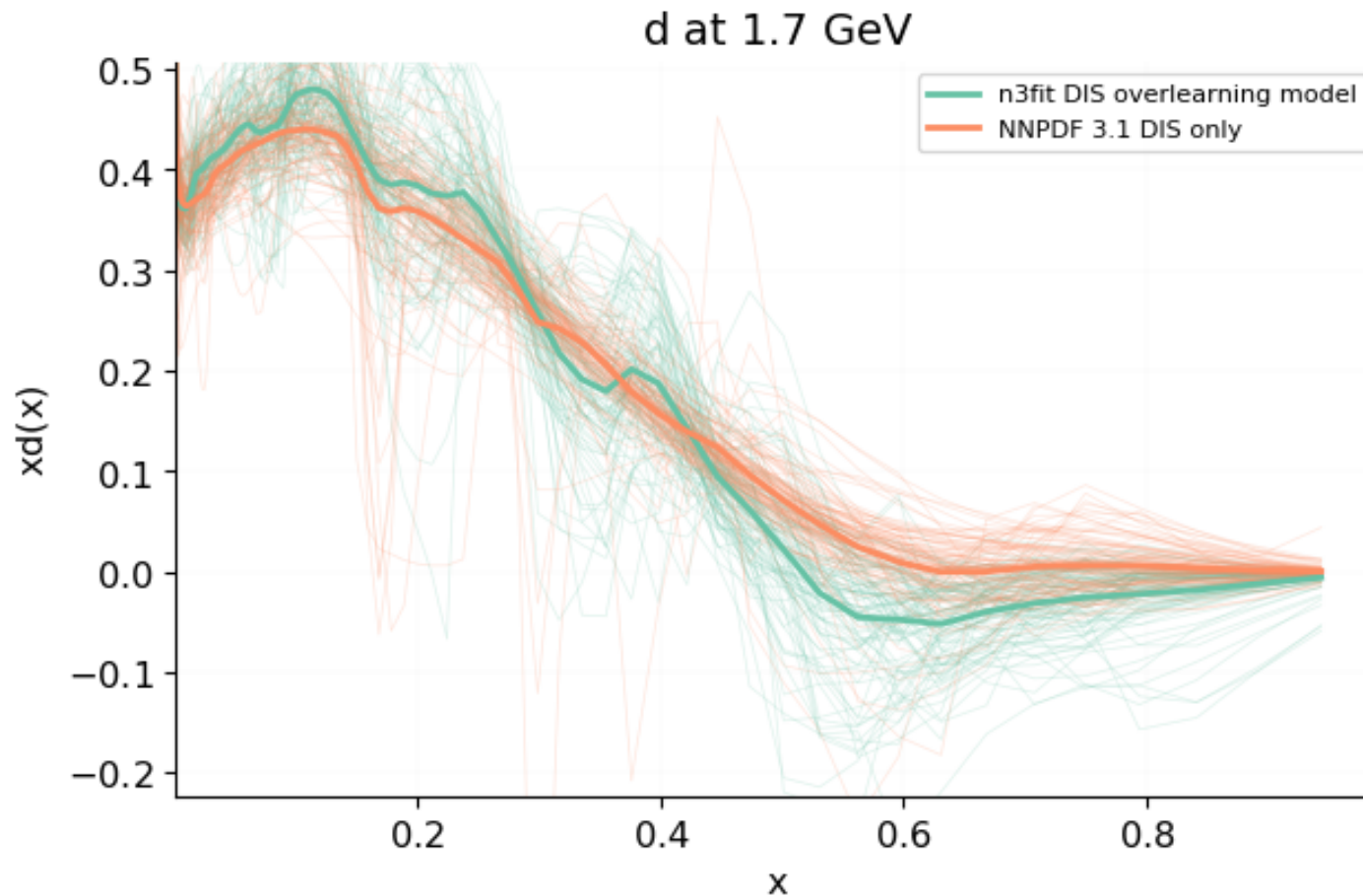


HYPEROPT PARAMETERS

NEURAL NETWORK	FIT OPTIONS
NUMBER OF LAYERS (*)	OPTIMIZER (*)
SIZE OF EACH LAYER	INITIAL LEARNING RATE (*)
DROPOUT	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF EPOCHS (*)
ACTIVATION FUNCTIONS (*)	STOPPING PATIENCE (*)
INITIALIZATION FUNCTIONS (*)	POSITIVITY MULTIPLIER (*)

- **SCAN** PARAMETER SPACE
- **OPTIMIZE** FIGURE OF MERIT: **VALIDATION** χ^2
- **BAYESIAN** UPDATING

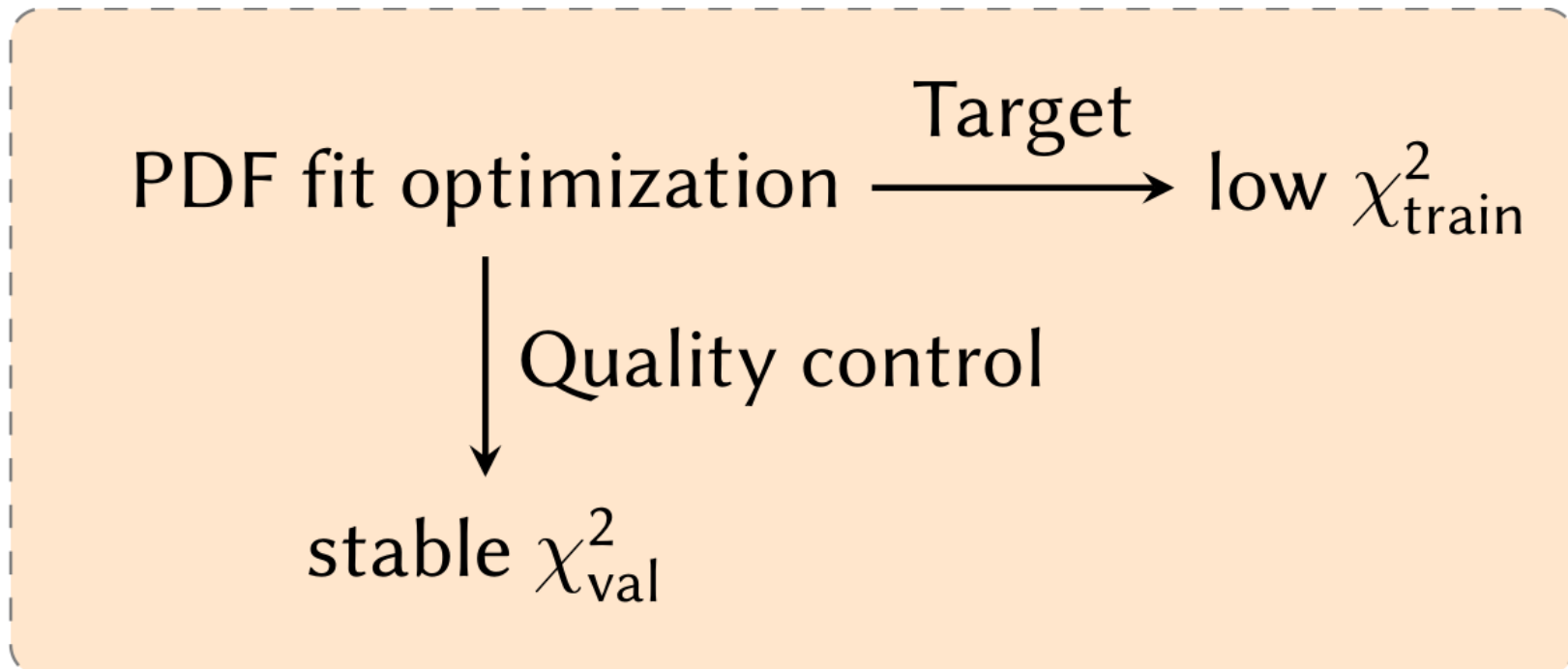
HYPEROPTIMIZATION: OVERFITTING
DOWN QUARK: HYPEROPTIMIZED VS. HAND-PICKED



- **NOT HYPEROPTIMIZED:** **WIGGLES:** FINITE SIZE \Rightarrow WILL GO AWAY AS N_{rep} GROWS
- **N3FIT:** **WIGGLY** PDFS \Leftrightarrow **OVERFITTING** \Rightarrow WILL **NOT** GO AWAY ($\chi^2_{\text{train}} \ll \chi^2_{\text{valid}}$!!)

WHAT HAPPENED?

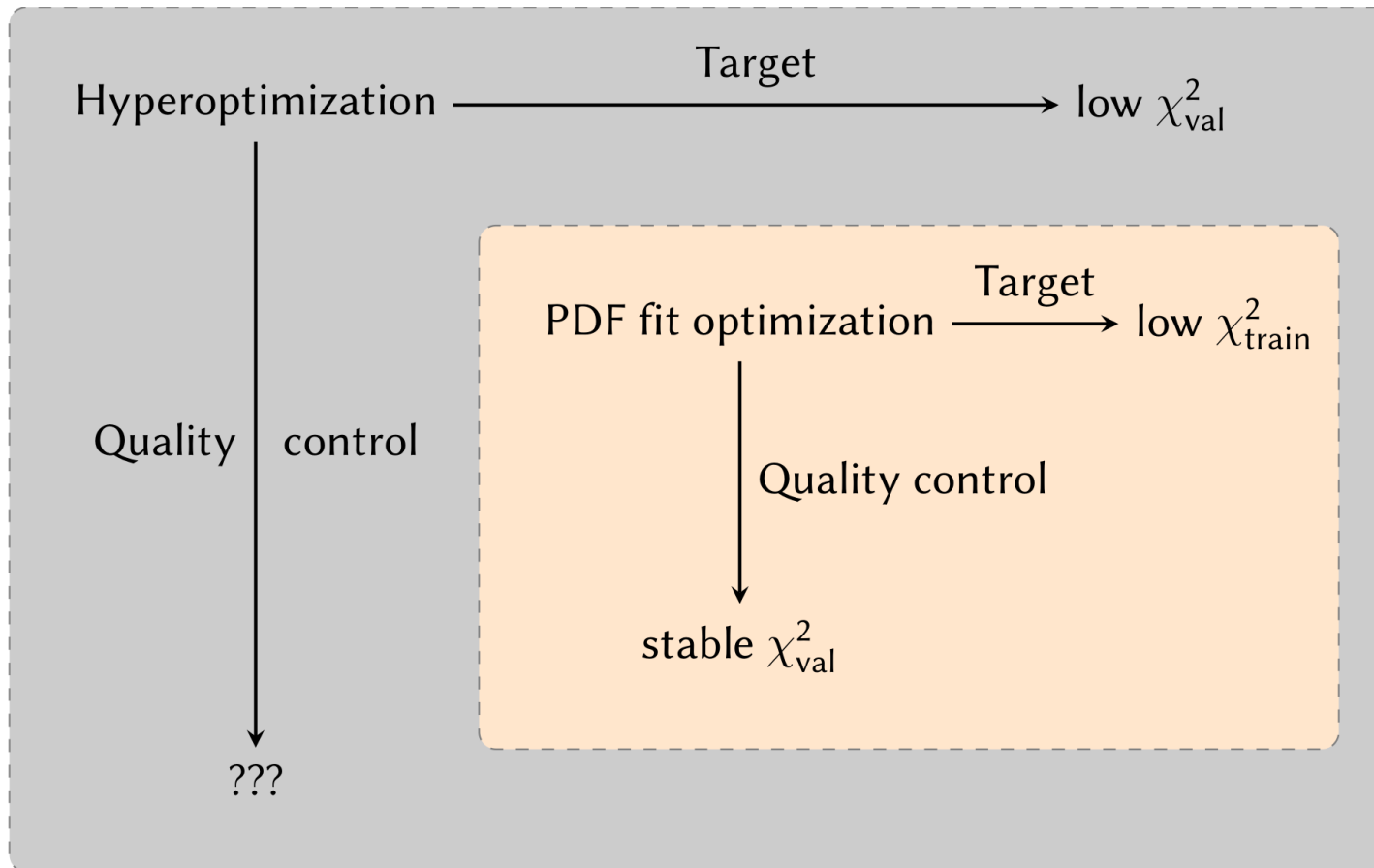
OPTIMIZATION



CROSS-VALIDATION SELECTS THE OPTIMAL MINIMUM

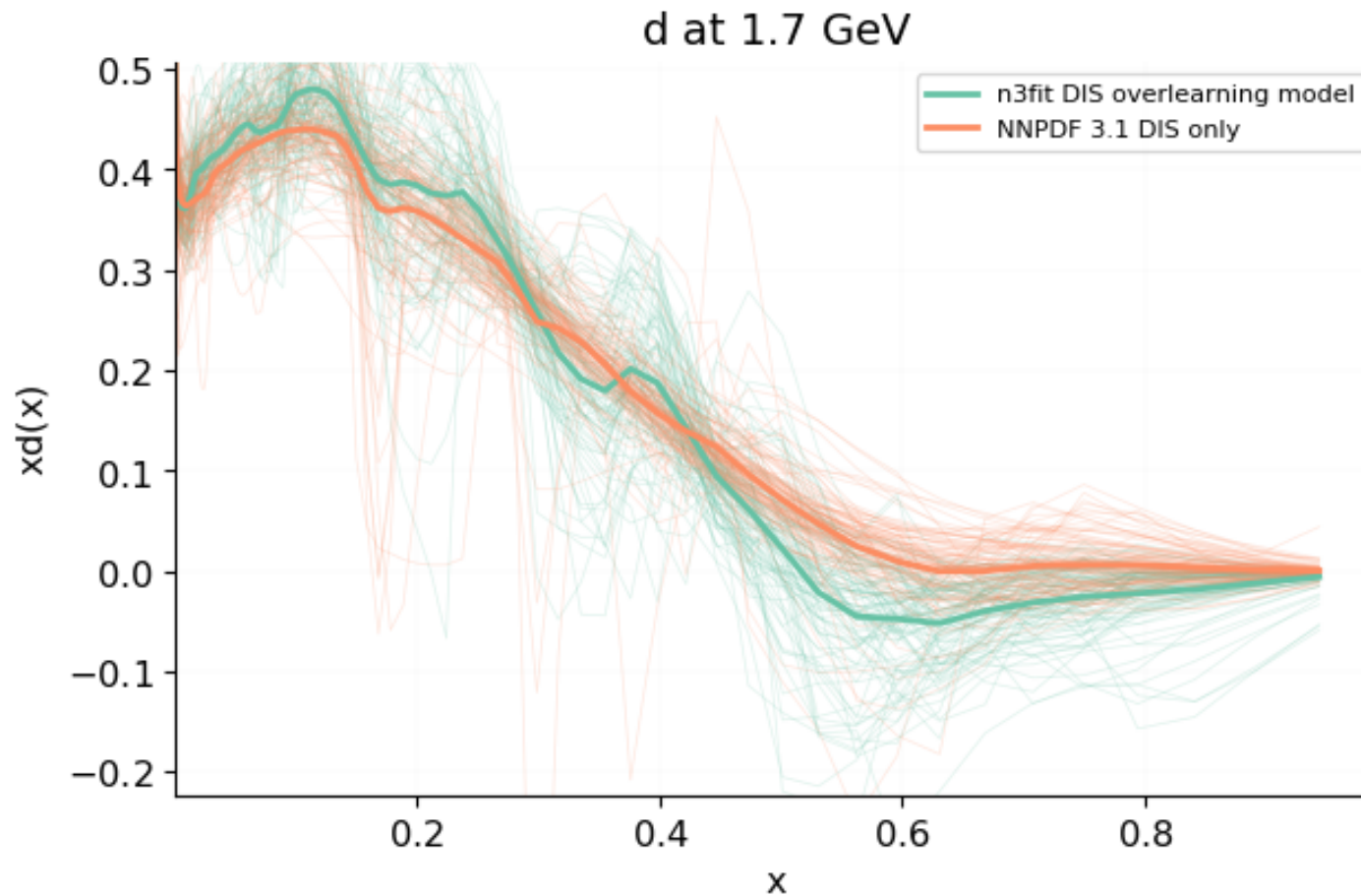
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HYPEROPTIMIZATION



WE ARE MISSING A SELECTION CRITERION

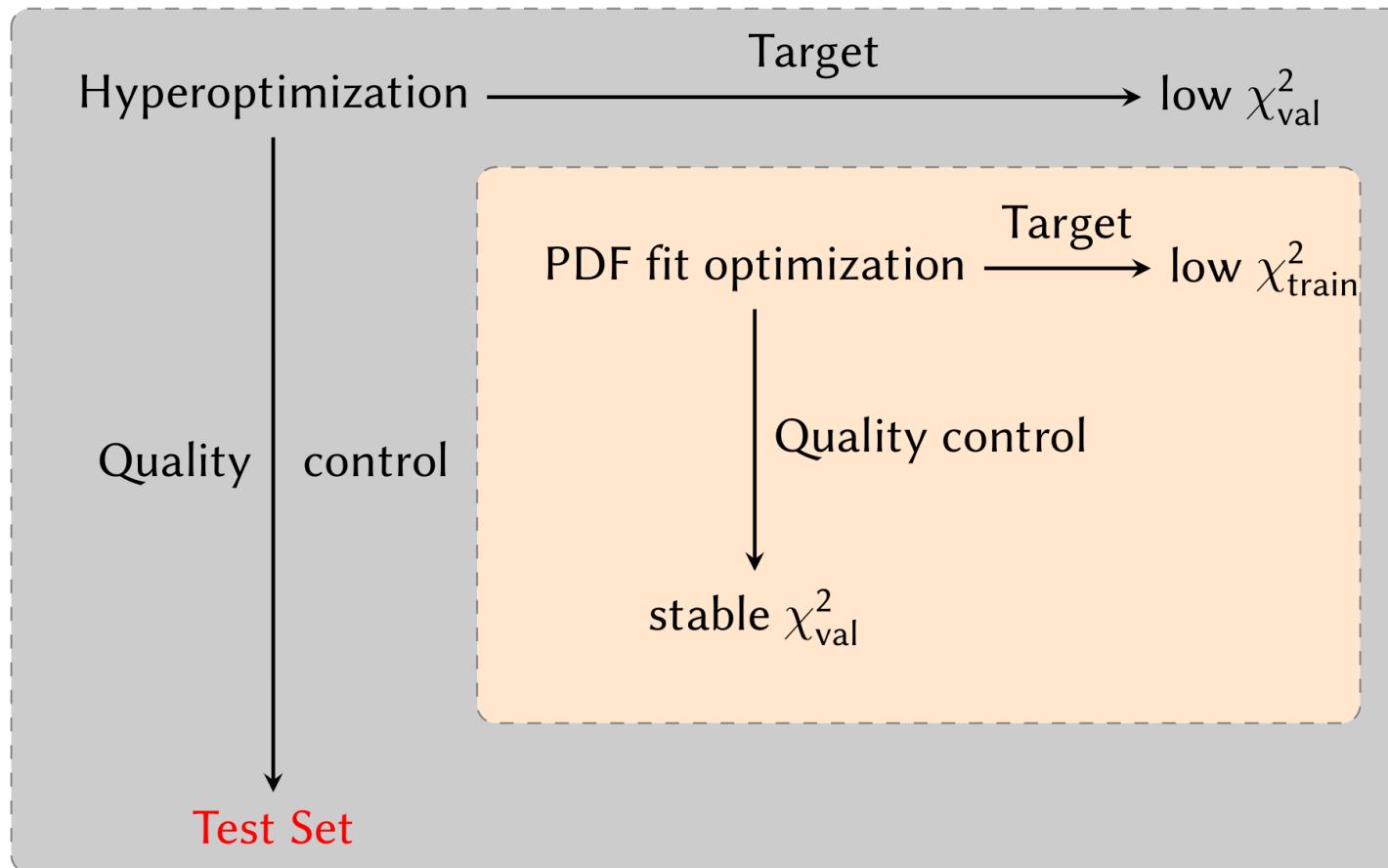
HYPEROPTIMIZATION: OVERFITTING DOWN QUARK: HYPEROPTIMIZED VS. HANDPICKED



- **HANDPICKED**: **WIGGLES**: **FINITE SIZE** \Rightarrow WILL GO AWAY AS N_{rep} GROWS
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- **CORRELATIONS** BETWEEN TRAINING AND VALIDATION DATA

THE SOLUTION

TUNED HYPEROPTIMIZATION

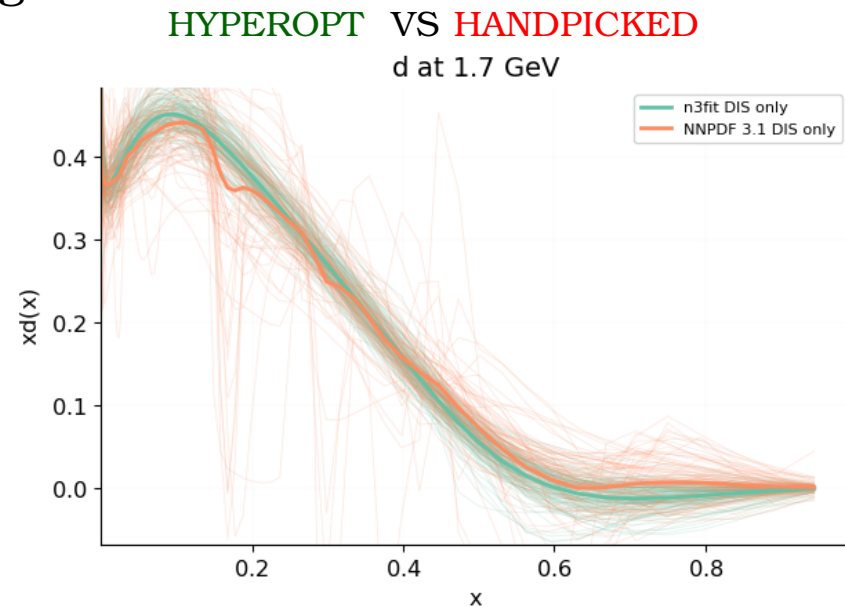
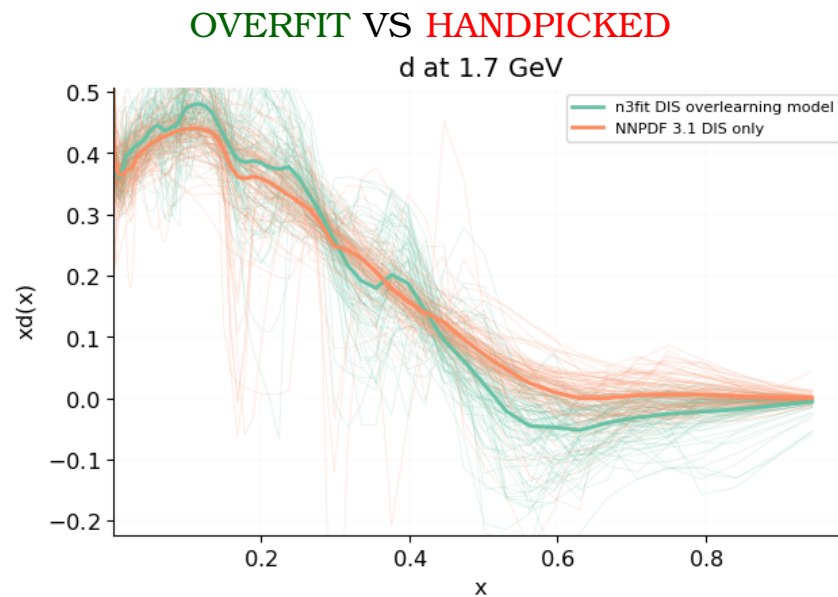


COMPARE TO A **A TEST SET** (NEW SET OF DATA PREVIOUSLY NOT USED AT ALL)
TESTS **GENERALIZATION POWER**

THE TEST SET METHOD

- COMPLETELY UNCORRELATED TEST SET
- OPTIMIZE ON WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF VALIDATION AND TEST
⇒ NO OVERLEARNING

HYPEROPTIMIZED PDFs DOWN QUARK



- NO OVERFITTING
- COMPARED TO HANDPICKED
 - MUCH GREATER STABILITY ⇒ FEWER REPLICAS FOR EQUAL ACCURACY
 - UNCERTAINTIES SOMEWHAT REDUCED

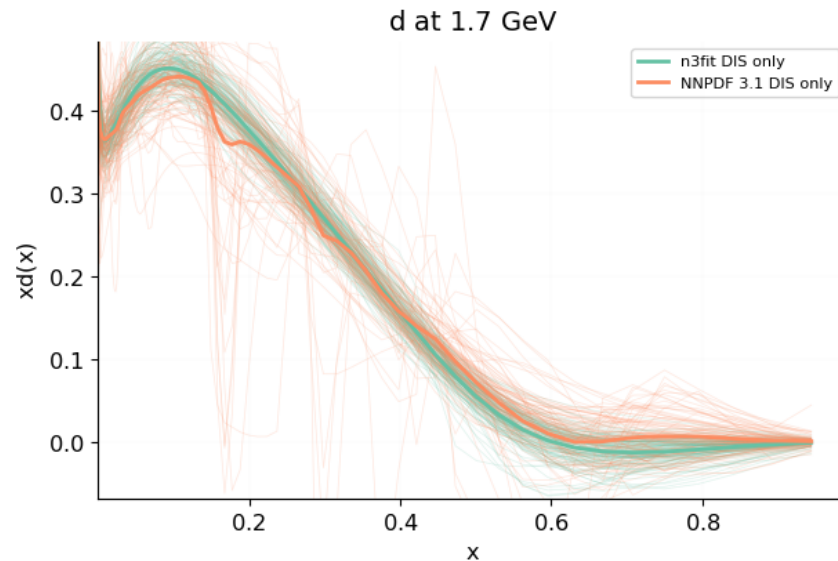
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THE BASIC IDEA:

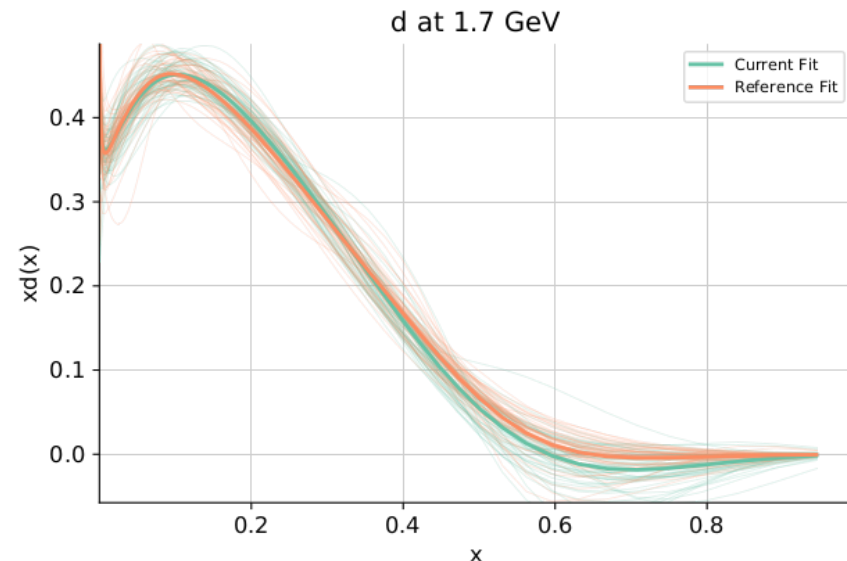
- DIVIDE THE DATA INTO n REPRESENTATIVE SUBSETS
EACH CONTAINING PROCESS TYPES, KINEMATIC RANGE OF FULL SET
- FIT $n - 1$ SETS AND USE n -TH SET AS TEST
 $\Rightarrow n$ VALUES OF $\chi^2_{\text{test}, i}$
- HYPEROPTIMIZE ON NON FITTED $\chi^2_{\text{test}, i}$
 \rightarrow GOOD & STABLE GENERALIZATION

FOLDED PDFs DOWN QUARK

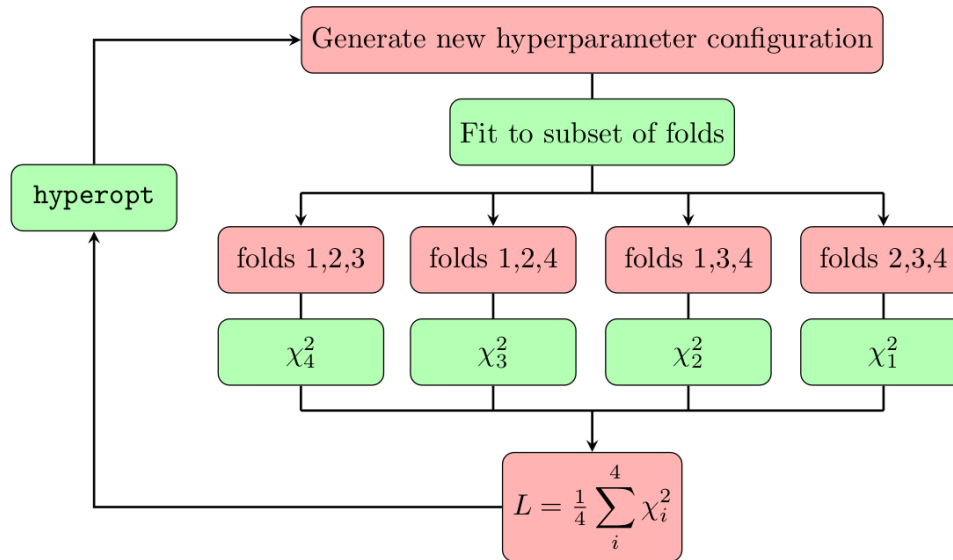
TEST-SET HYPER VS HANDPICKED



K-FOLD HYPER VS. TEST-SEY HYPER



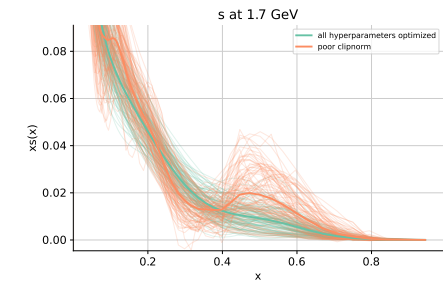
K-FOLDING IMPLEMENTATION



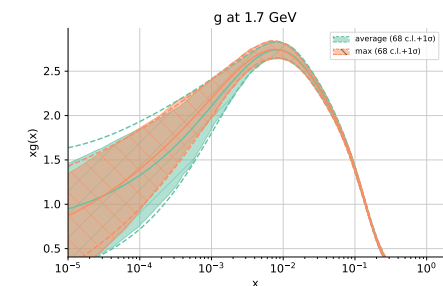
- EACH FOLD REPRODUCES FEATURES OF FULL DATASET
- DIFFERENT CHOICES POSSIBLE FOR LOSS (NON-FITTED)
 - BEST WORST
 - BEST AVERAGE
- RESULTS STABLE

Fold 1		
CHORUS σ_{CC}^e	HERA I+II inc NC e^+p 920 GeV	BCDMS p
LHCb Z 940 pb	ATLAS W, Z 7 TeV 2010	CMS Z p_T 8 TeV (p_T^H, y_H)
DY E605 σ_{DY}^p	CMS Drell-Yan 2D 7 TeV 2011	CMS 3D dijets 8 TeV
ATLAS single- t y (normalised)	ATLAS single top R_t 7 TeV	CMS $t\bar{t}$ rapidity $y_{t\bar{t}}$
CMS single top R_t 8 TeV		
Fold 2		
HERA I+II inc CC e^-p	HERA I+II inc NC e^+p 460 GeV	HERA comb. σ_b^{red}
NMC p	NuTeV σ_e^e	LHCb $Z \rightarrow ee$ 2 fb
CMS W asymmetry 840 pb	ATLAS Z p_T 8 TeV (p_T^H, M_{Hl})	D0 $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$ asymmetry
DY E886 σ_{DY}^p	ATLAS direct photon 13 TeV	ATLAS dijets 7 TeV, $R=0.6$
ATLAS single antitop y (normalised)	CMS σ_{tt}^{tot}	CMS single top $\sigma_t + \sigma_{\bar{t}}$ 7 TeV
Fold 3		
HERA I+II inc CC e^+p	HERA I+II inc NC e^+p 575 GeV	NMC d/p
NuTeV σ_e^e	LHCb $W, Z \rightarrow \mu$ 7 TeV	LHCb $Z \rightarrow ee$
ATLAS W, Z 7 TeV 2011 Central selection	ATLAS $W^+ + \text{jet}$ 8 TeV	ATLAS HM DY 7 TeV
CMS W asymmetry 4.7 fb	DYE 866 $\sigma_{DY}^p / \sigma_{DY}^e$	CDF Z rapidity (new)
ATLAS σ_{tt}^{tot}	ATLAS single top y_t (normalised)	CMS σ_{tt}^{tot} 5 TeV
CMS $t\bar{t}$ double diff. $(m_{t\bar{t}}, y_t)$		
Fold 4		
CHORUS σ_{CC}^p	HERA I+II inc NC e^+p 820 GeV	LHCb $W, Z \rightarrow \mu$ 8 TeV
LHCb $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$	ATLAS W, Z 7 TeV 2011 Fwd	ATLAS $W^- + \text{jet}$ 8 TeV
ATLAS low-mass DY 2011	ATLAS Z p_T 8 TeV (p_T^H, y_H)	CMS W rapidity 8 TeV
D0 Z rapidity	CMS dijets 7 TeV	ATLAS single top y_t (normalised)
ATLAS single top R_t 13 TeV	CMS single top R_t 13 TeV	

NO K-FOLDING



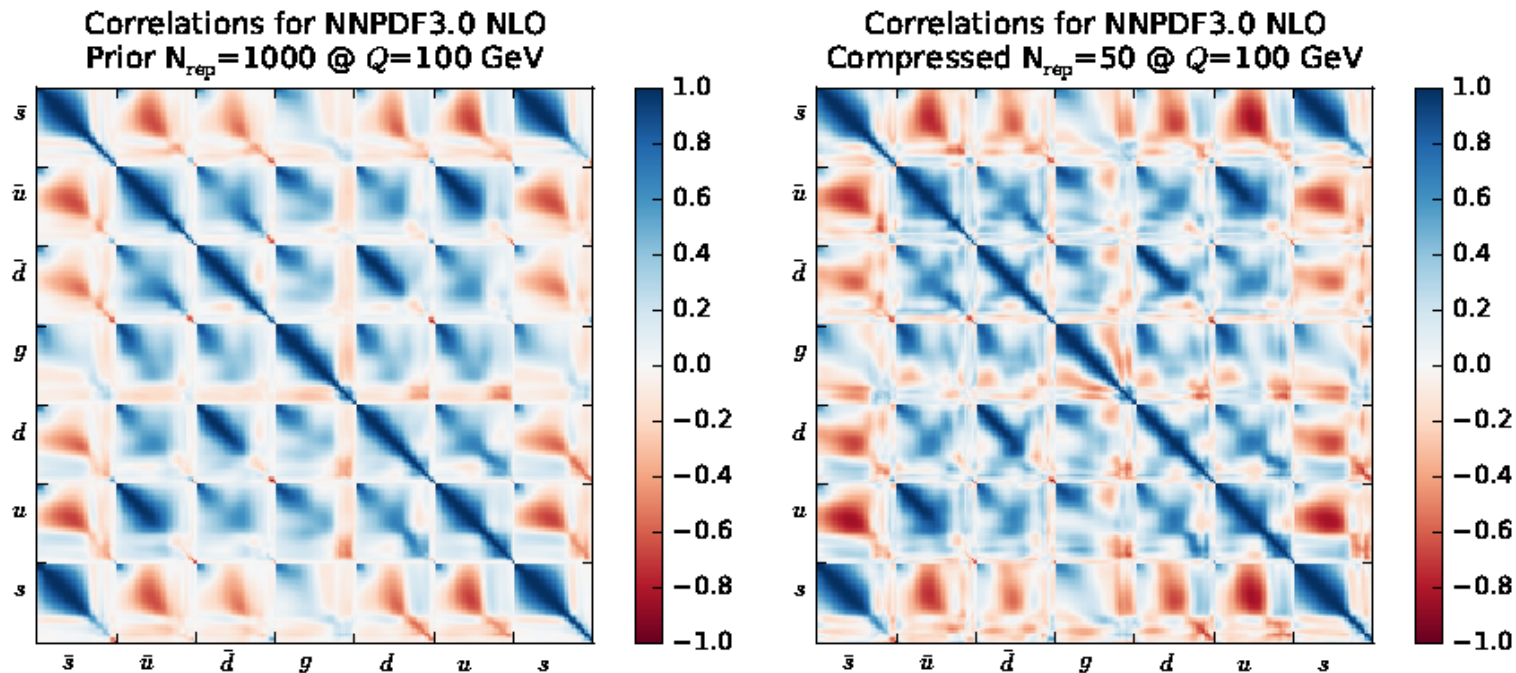
K-FOLDING VARIATION



MONTECARLO COMPRESSION

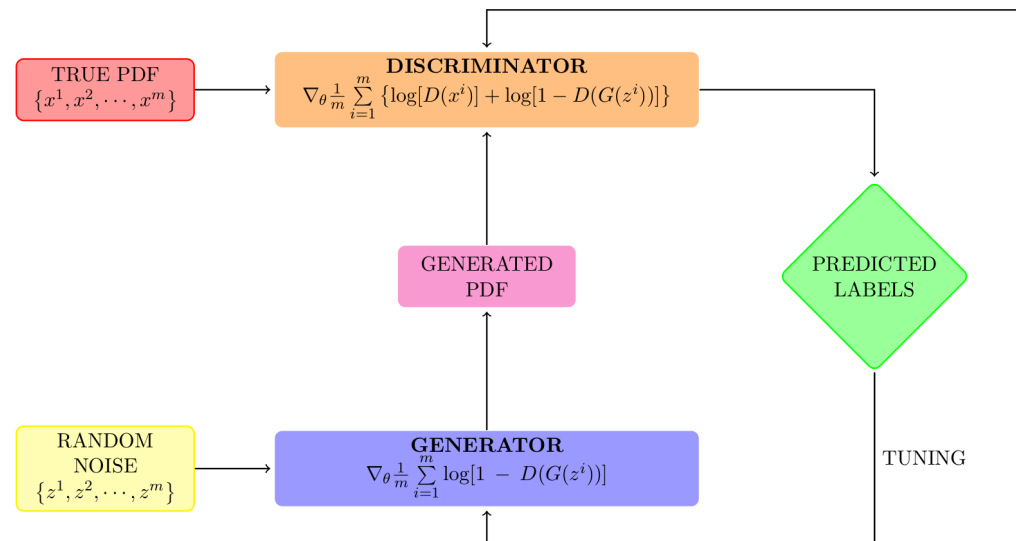
CAN WE **REDUCE** THE NUMBER OF REPLICAS?

- START WITH **LARGE REPLICA SAMPLE**
- **SELECT** BY GENETIC ALGORITHM **SUBSET OF REPLICAS** \Rightarrow STATISTICAL FEATURES **OPTIMIZED TO PRIOR**
- **MINIMIZE LOSS**: DIFFERENCE OF MOMENTS, KL DIVERGENCE, ...
- **50 COMPRESSED** REPLICA **REPRODUCE 1000** REPLICA SET TO PRECENT ACCURACY



GAN ENHANCEMENT

CAN WE FURTHER REDUCE THE NUMBER OF COMPRESSED REPLICAS WITHOUT LOSS OF INFORMATION? GENERATIVE ADVERSARIAL NETWORKS

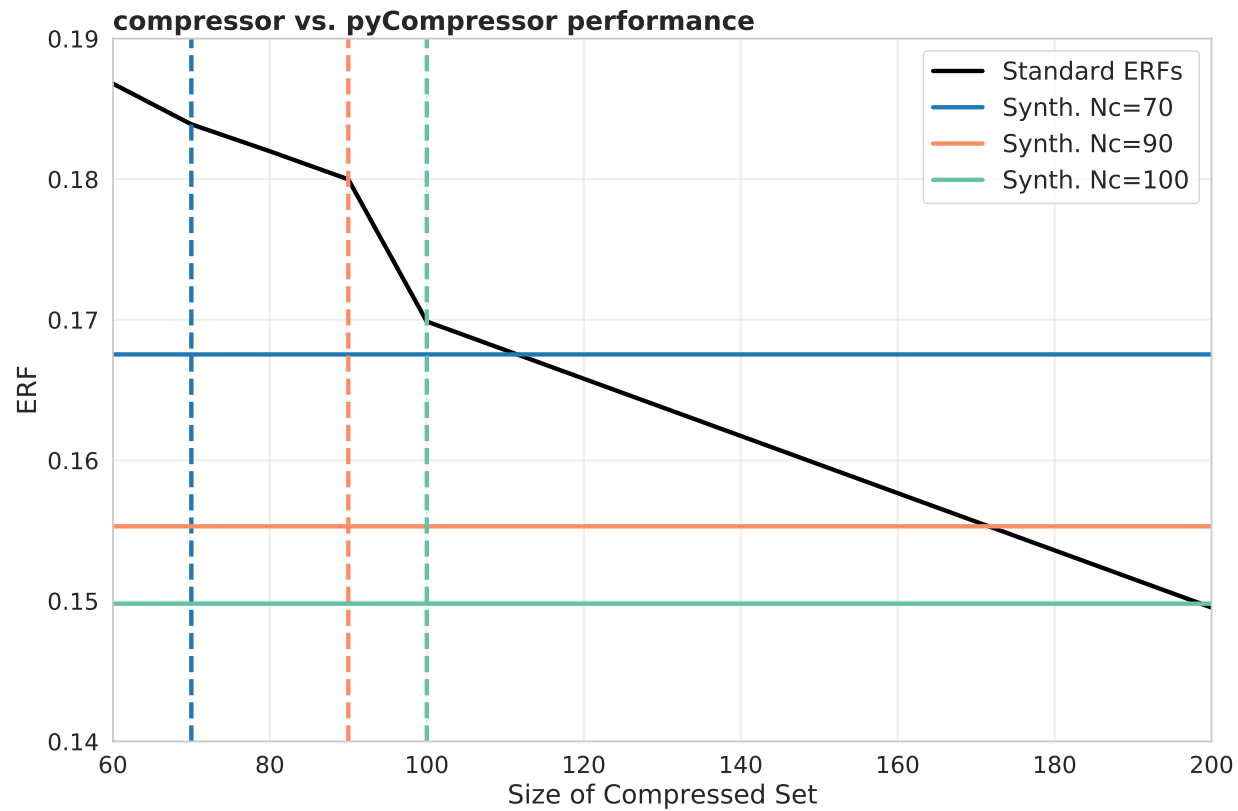


- TRAIN A NETWORK TO SIMULATE THE TRUE DISTRIBUTION (GENERATOR)
- TRAIN A NETWORK TO DISCRIMINATE TRUTH FROM SIMULATION (DISCRIMINATOR)
- TRAIN THE GENERATOR TO TRICK THE DISCRIMINATOR

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- **ENHANCE** THE STARTING PDF SET BY ADDING GAN-PDFs TO IT
- **PERFORM COMPRESSION** OF THE ENHANCED SET

PERFORMANCE



ENHANCED: NUMBER OF REPLICAS **CUT IN HALF** FOR SAME TARGET ACCURACY

IN LIEU OF A CONCLUSION



Description

The Higgs boson discovery at the Large Hadron Collider in 2012 relied on boosted decision trees. Since then, high energy physics (HEP) has applied modern machine learning (ML) techniques to all stages of the data analysis pipeline, from raw data processing to statistical analysis. The unique requirements of HEP data analysis, the availability of high-quality simulators, the complexity of the data structures (which rarely are image-like), the control of uncertainties expected from scientific measurements, and the exabyte-scale datasets require the development of HEP-specific ML techniques. While these developments proceed at full speed along many paths, the nineteen reviews in this book offer a self-contained, pedagogical introduction to ML models' real-life applications in HEP, written by some of the foremost experts in their area.

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