Measuring Quantum Interference in the Off-shell Higgs to 4 Leptons with ML: A First Look

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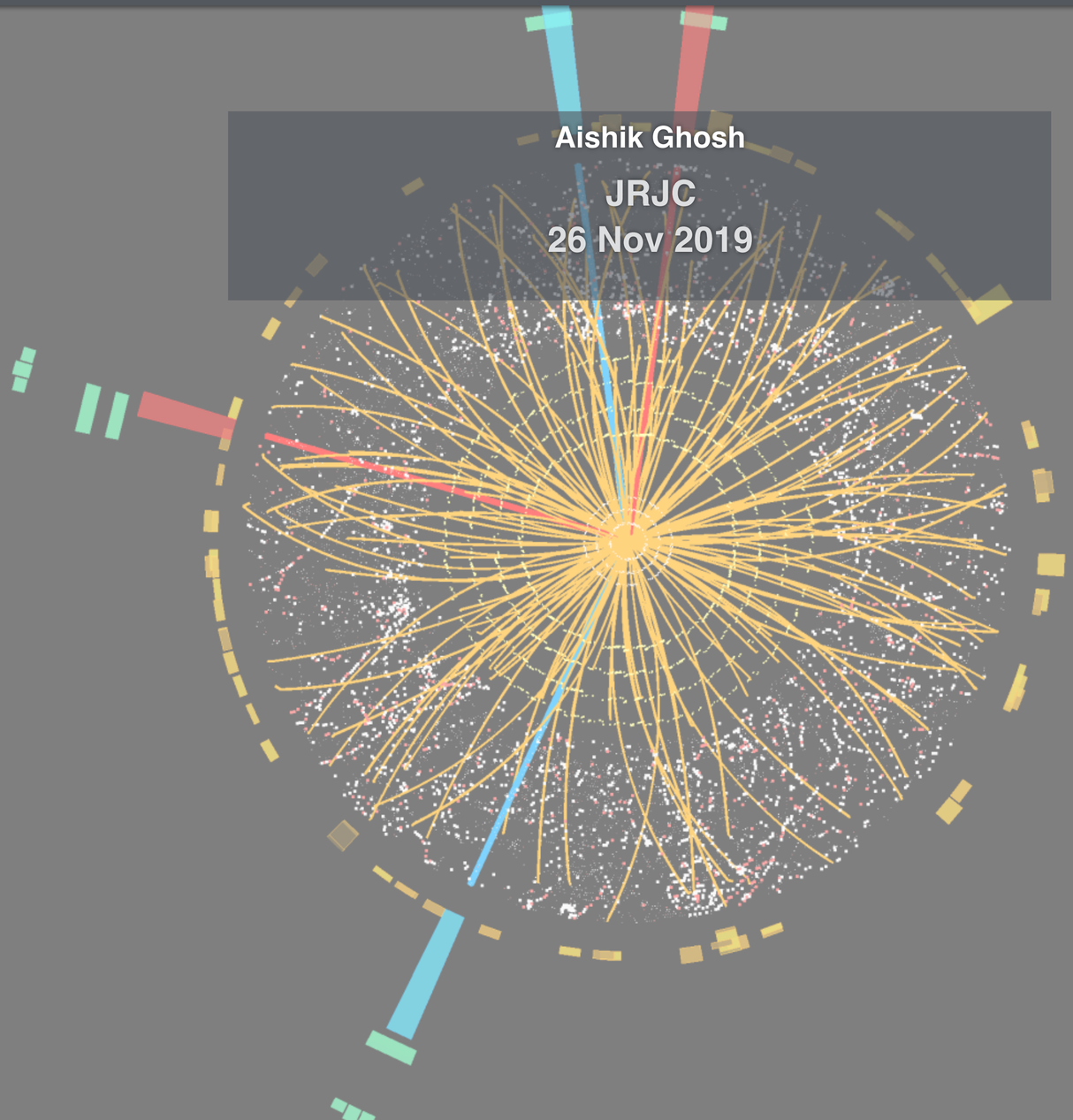

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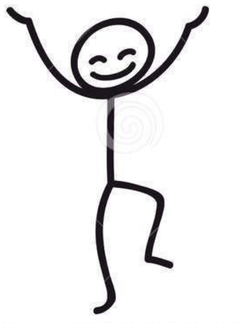

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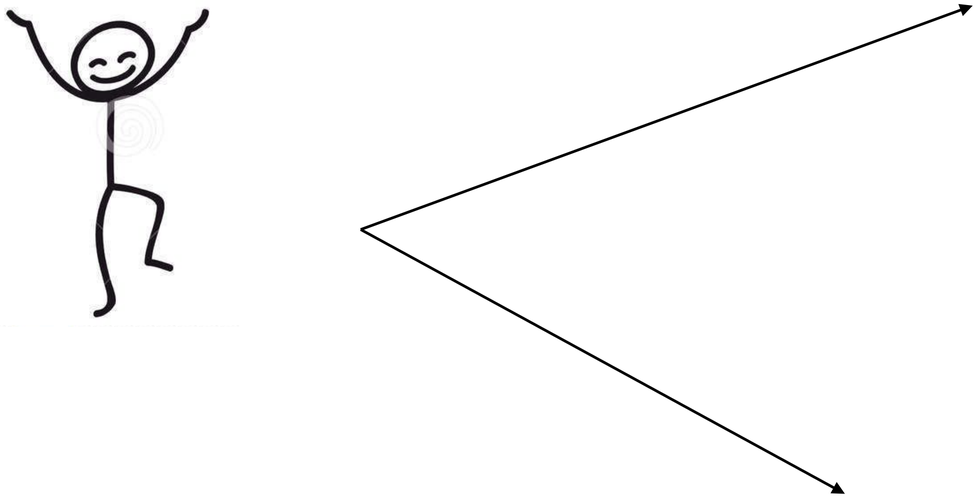

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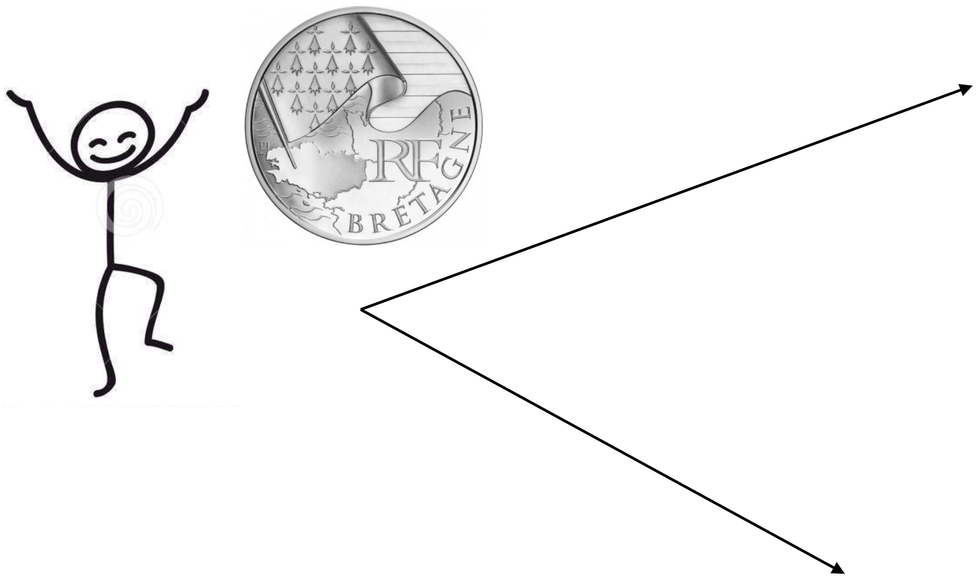

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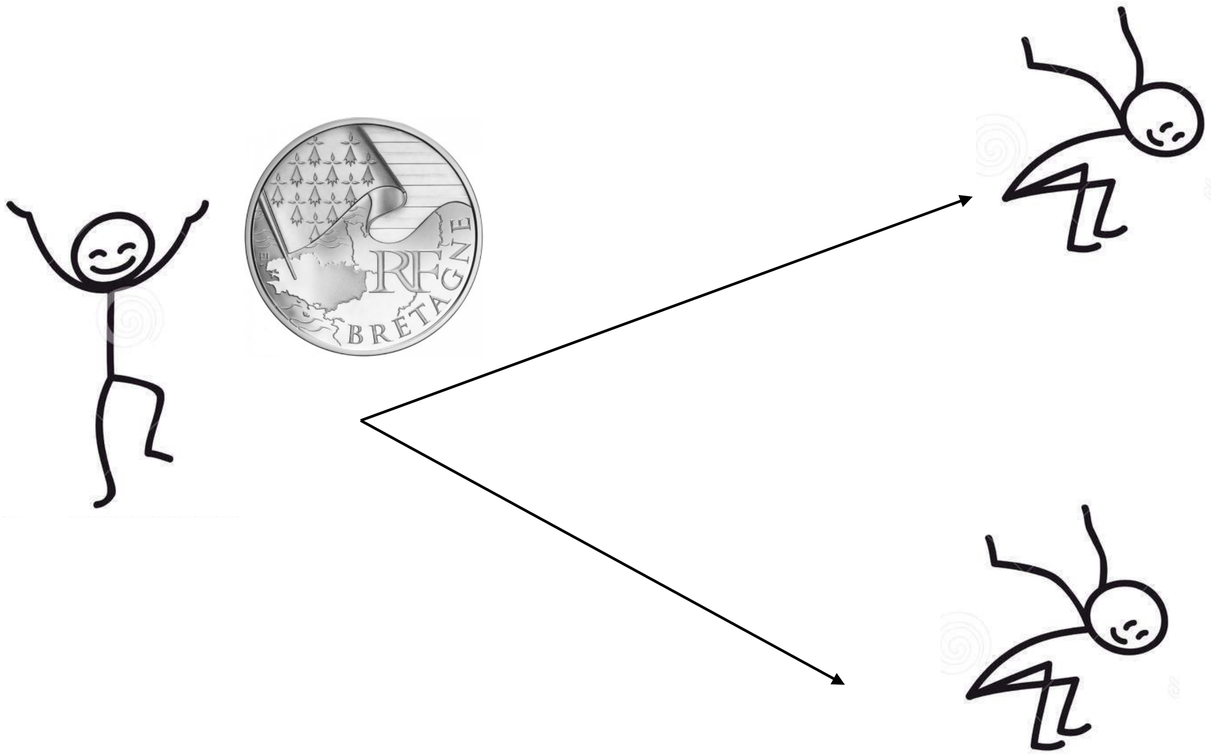

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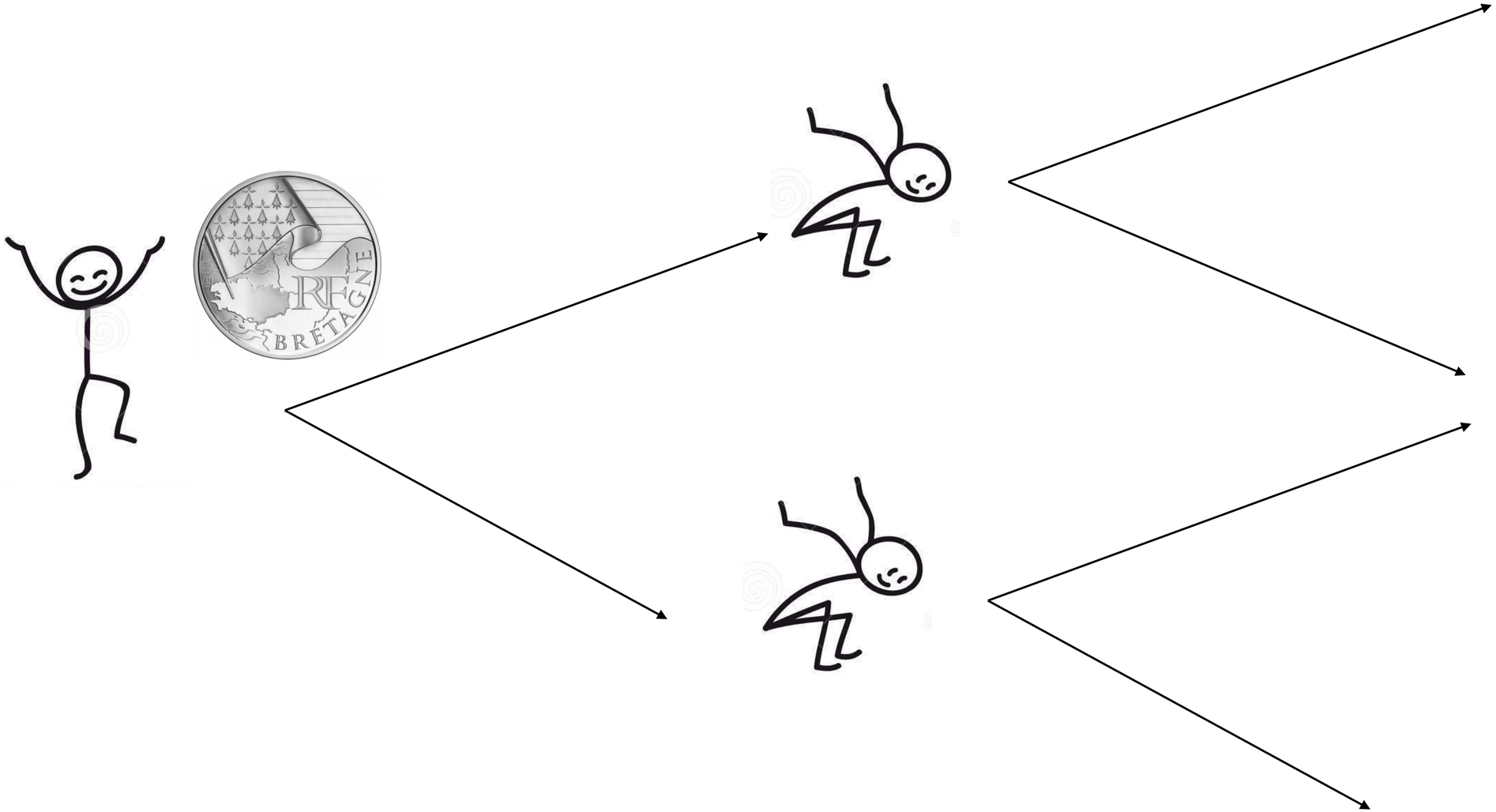

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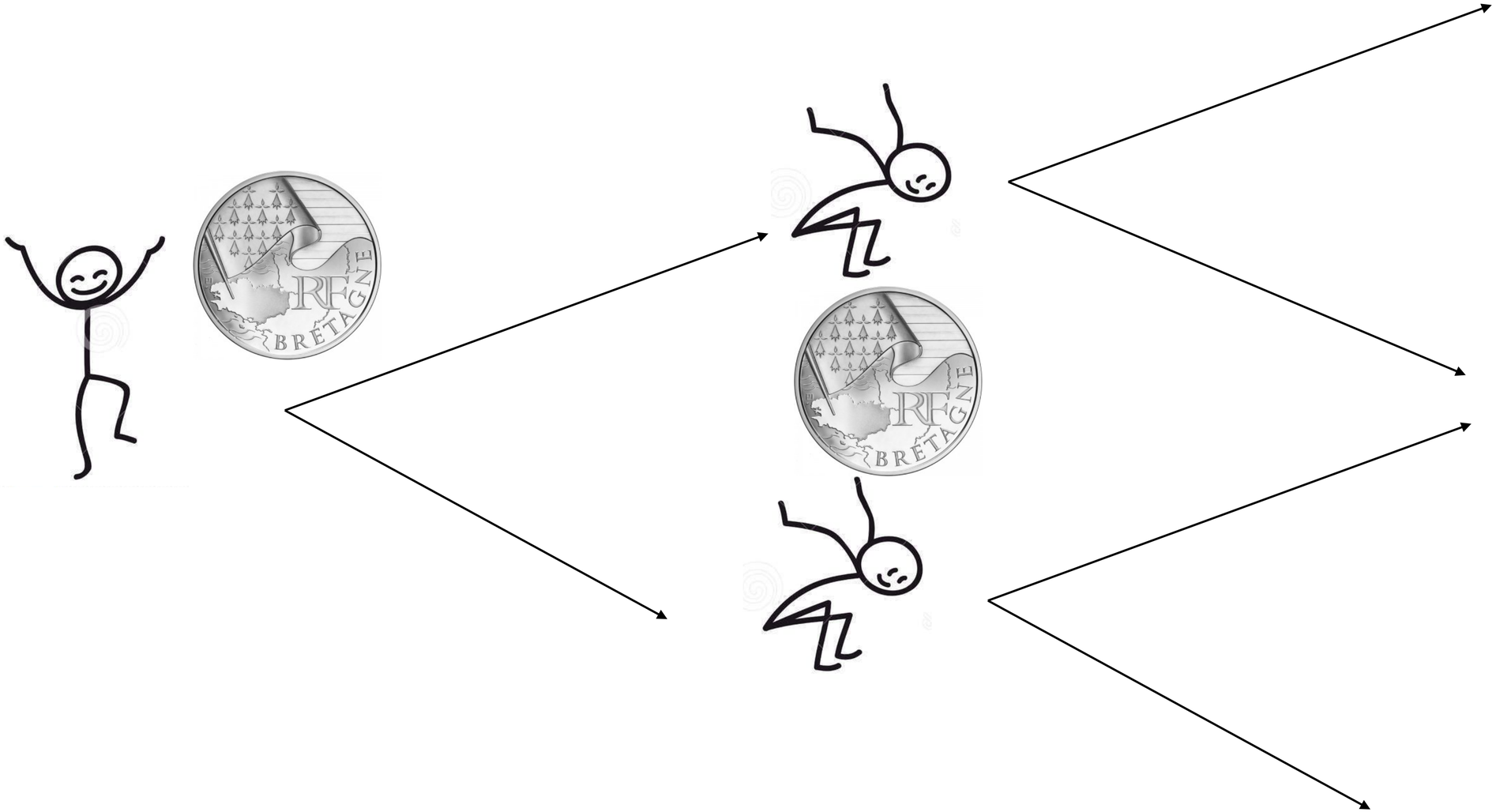

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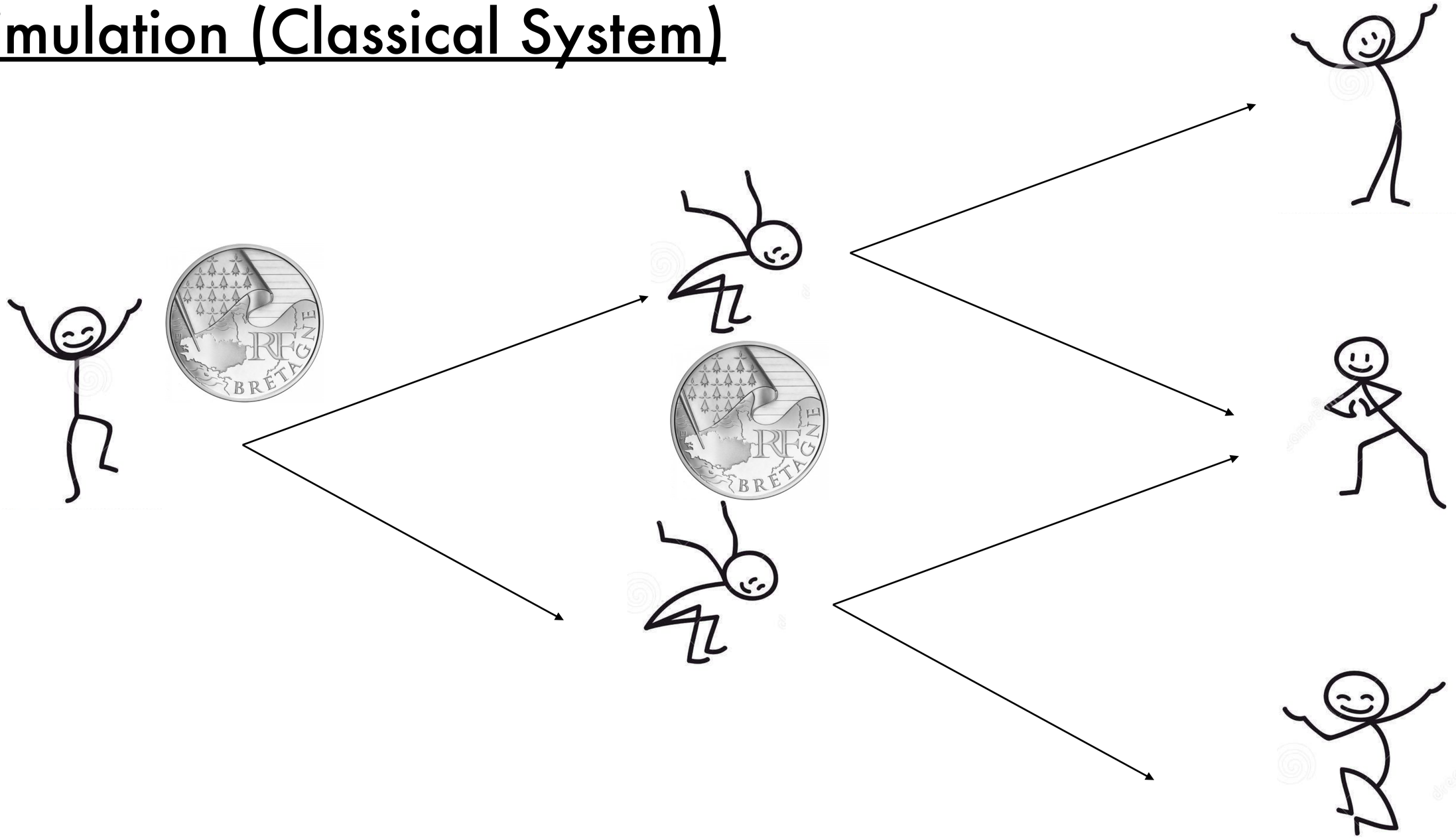

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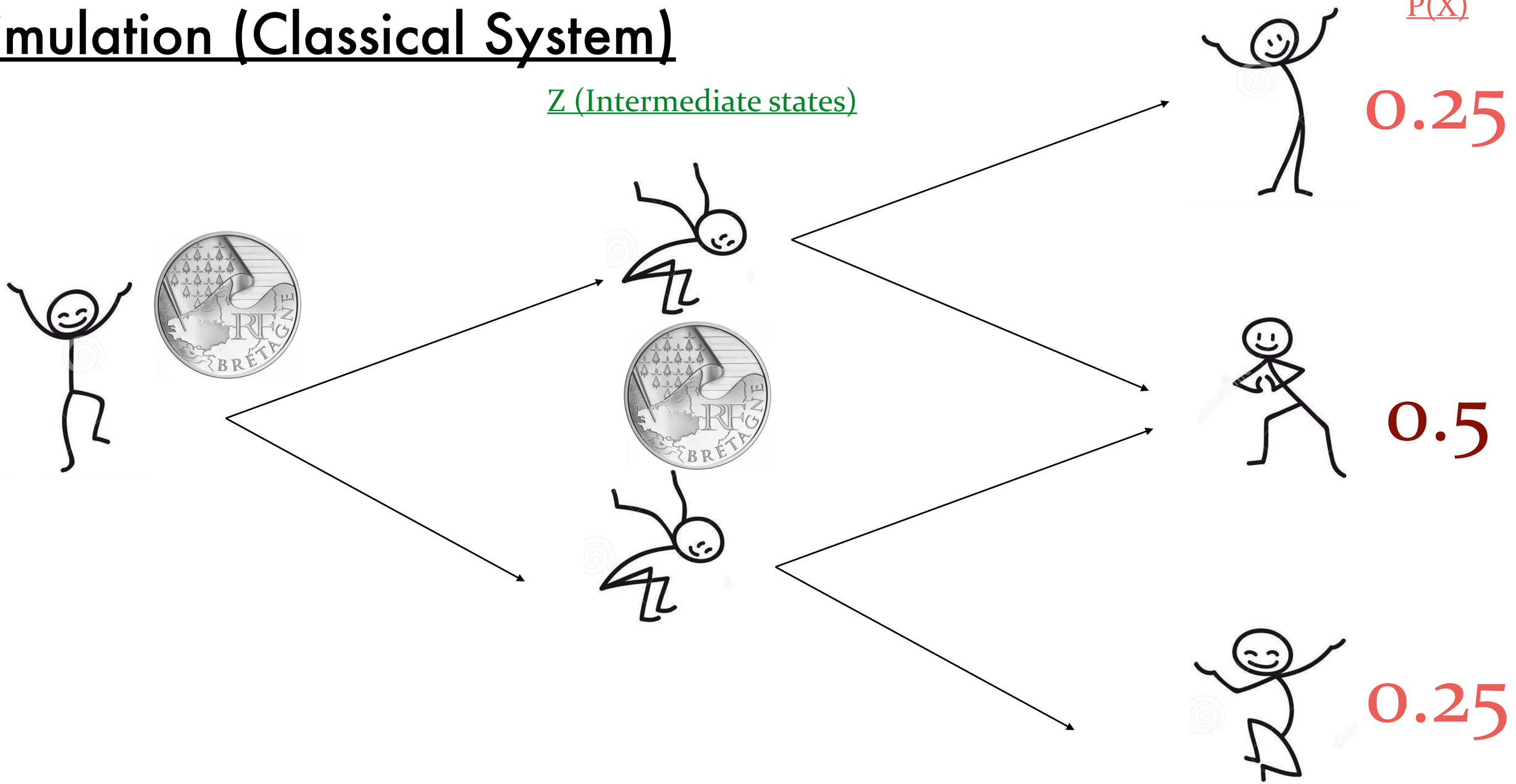

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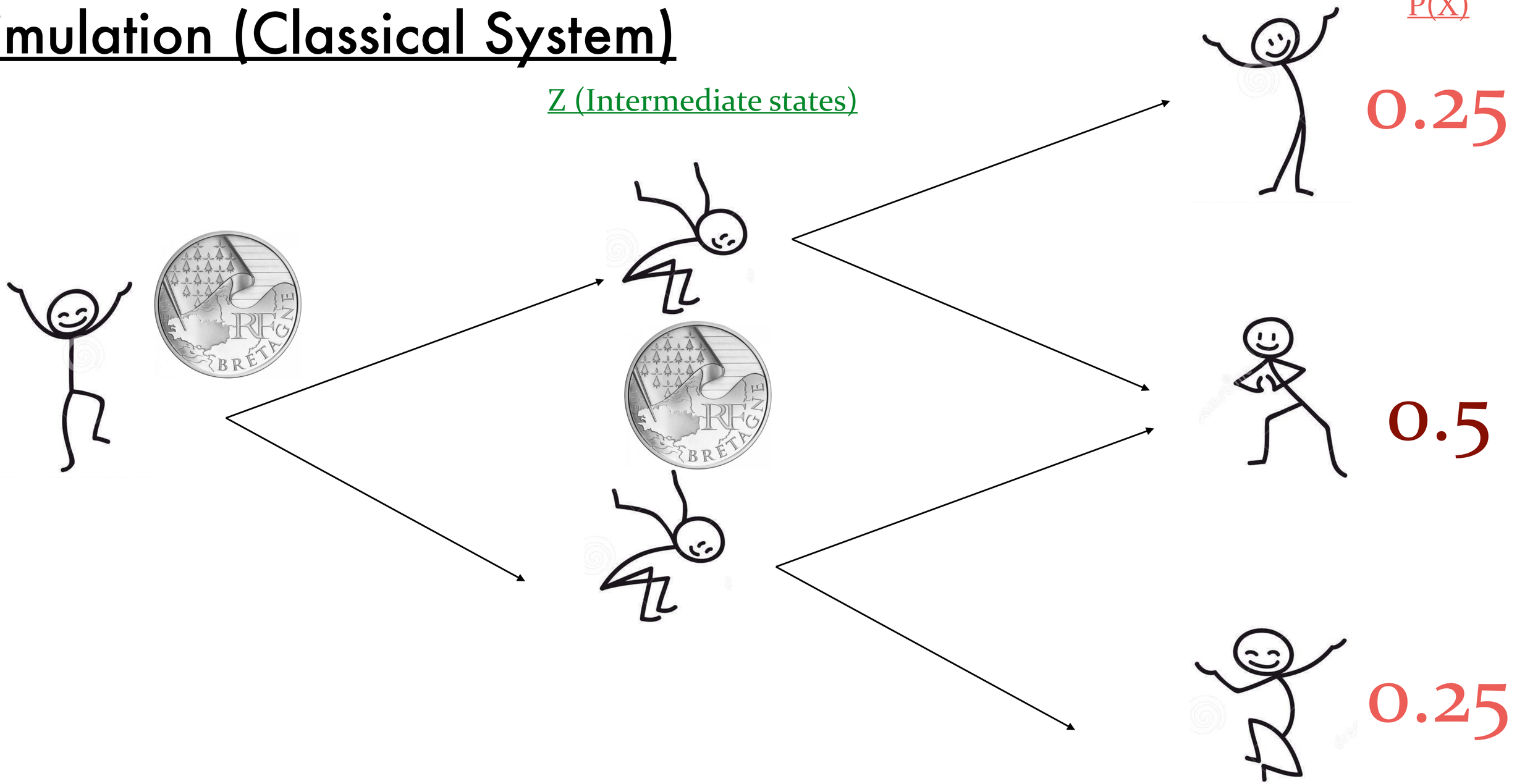

Who needs a simulator? We can arrive at this analytically!

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Modelling particle physics processes

Latent variables

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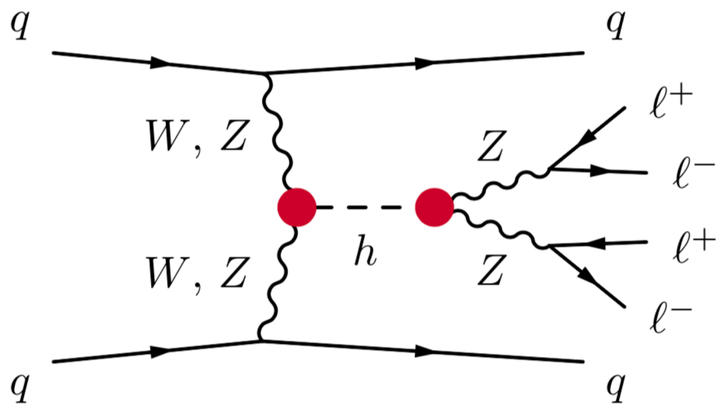

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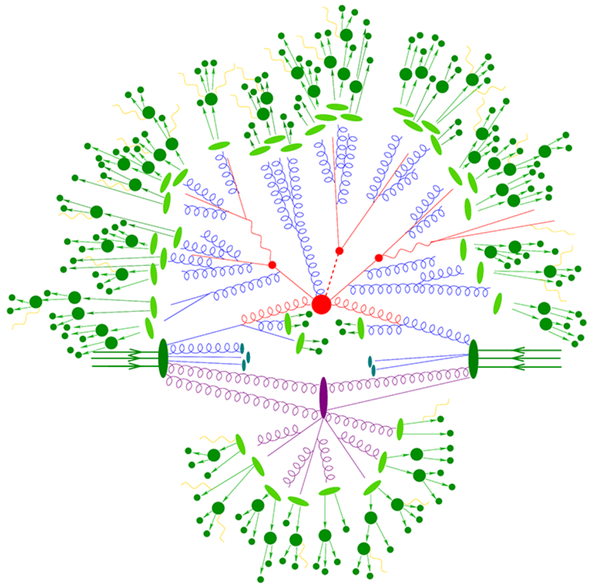

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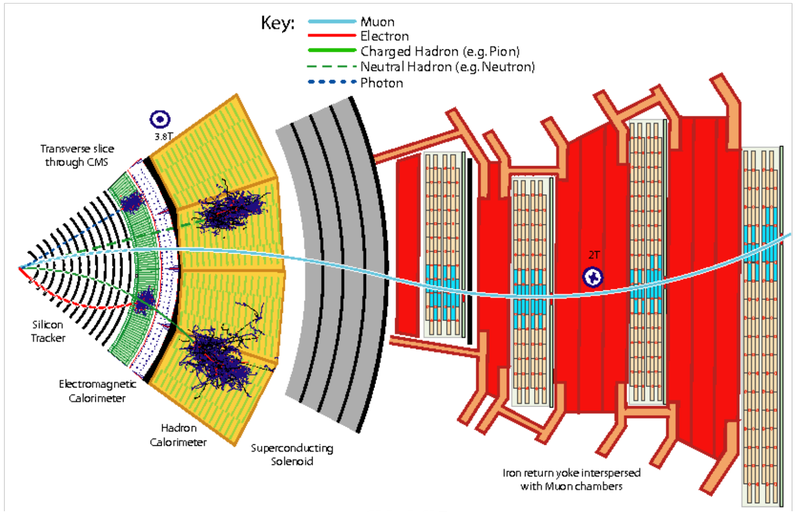

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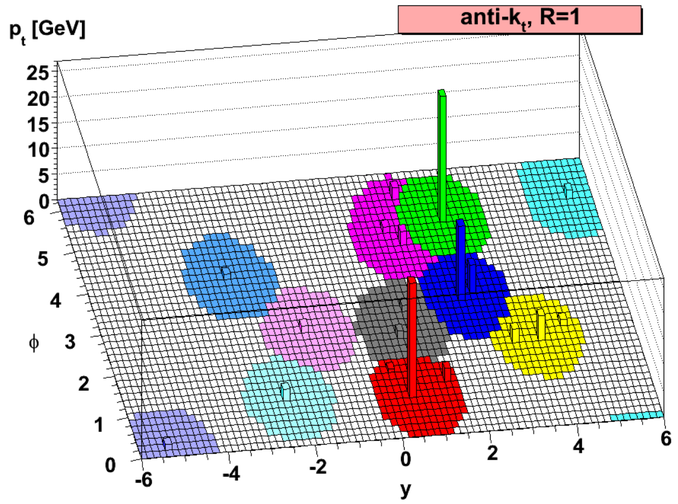

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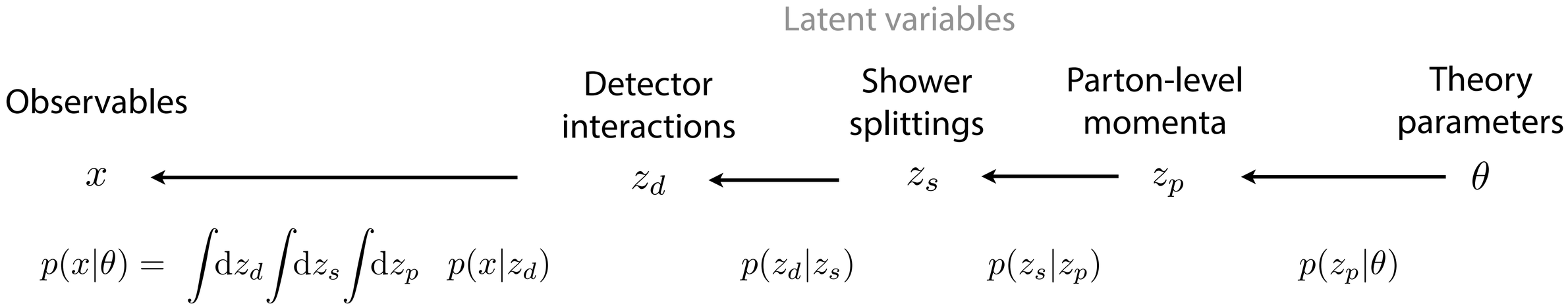

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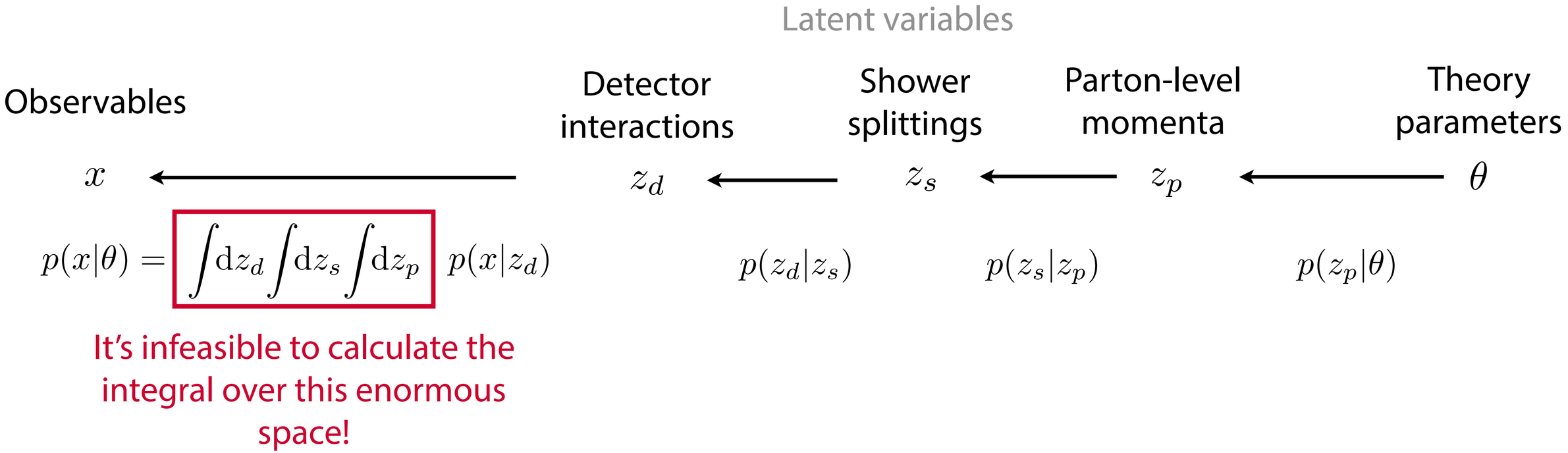

Mining gold from the simulator

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$$p(x|\theta) = \int \mathrm{d}z_d \int \mathrm{d}z_s \int \mathrm{d}z_p \quad p(x|z_d) \qquad p(z_d|z_s) \qquad p(z_s|z_p) \qquad \boxed{p(z_p|\theta)}$$

Parton-level likelihood is given by matrix element and can be evaluated!

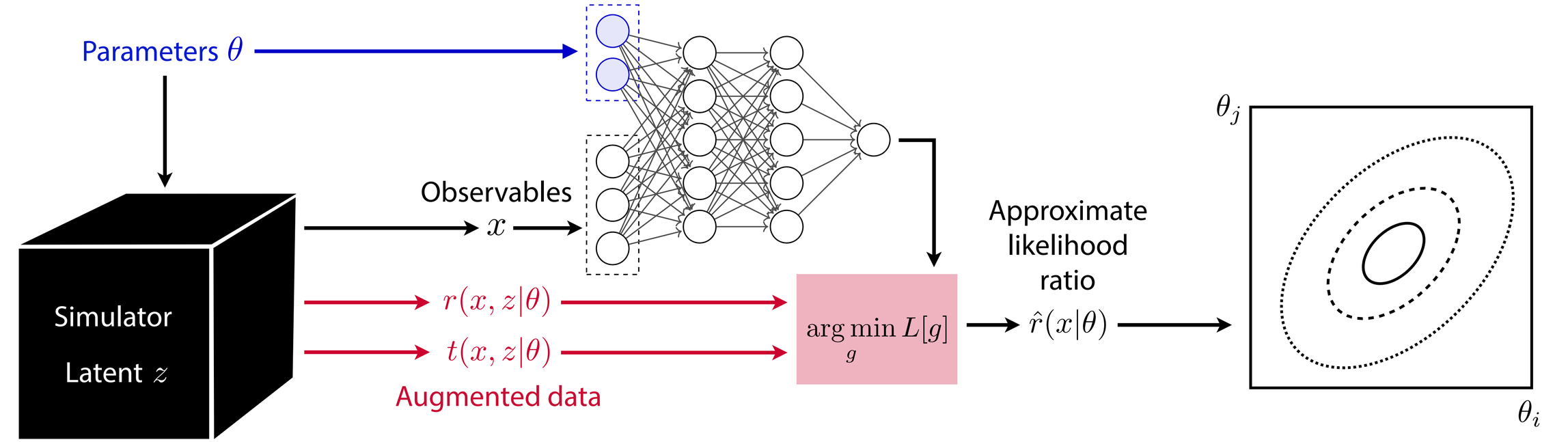
⇒ For each simulated event, we can calculate the joint likelihood ratio which depends on the specific evolution of the simulation:

$$r(x, z|\theta_0, \theta_1) \equiv \frac{p(x, z_d, z_s, z_p|\theta_0)}{p(x, z_d, z_s, z_p|\theta_1)} = \frac{p(x|z_d)}{p(x|z_d)} \frac{p(z_d|z_s)}{p(z_d|z_s)} \frac{p(z_s|z_p)}{p(z_s|z_p)} \quad \boxed{\frac{p(z_p|\theta_0)}{p(z_p|\theta_1)} \sim \frac{|\mathcal{M}(z_p|\theta_0)|^2}{|\mathcal{M}(z_p|\theta_1)|^2}}$$

if we knew the entire history of each event

Likelihood-Free Inference with MadMiner

Bird's-eye view



1. Simulation

"Mining gold": Extract additional information from simulator

2. Machine Learning

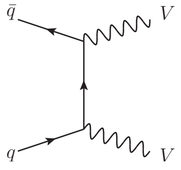
Use this information to train estimator for likelihood ratio

3. Inference

Limit setting with standard hypothesis tests

Outline

1. **The problem of interference in the offshell H4l analysis**
2. **Introduce Likelihood-free Inference with Madminer: “ML version of Matrix Element Method”**
3. **Preliminary Results**
4. **Future**



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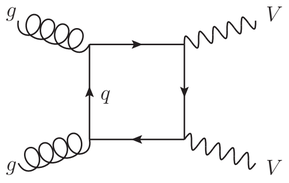

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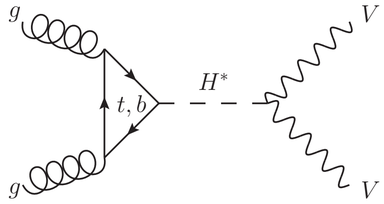

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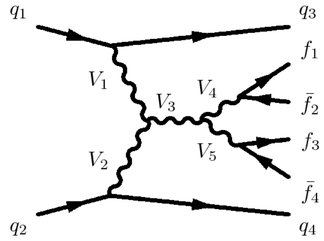

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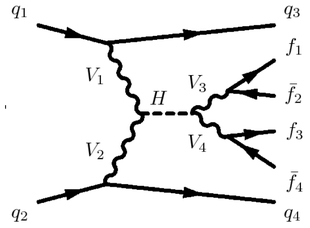

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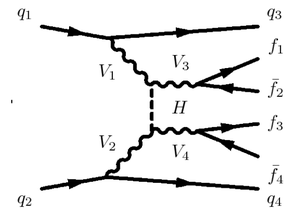

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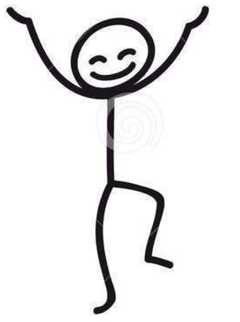

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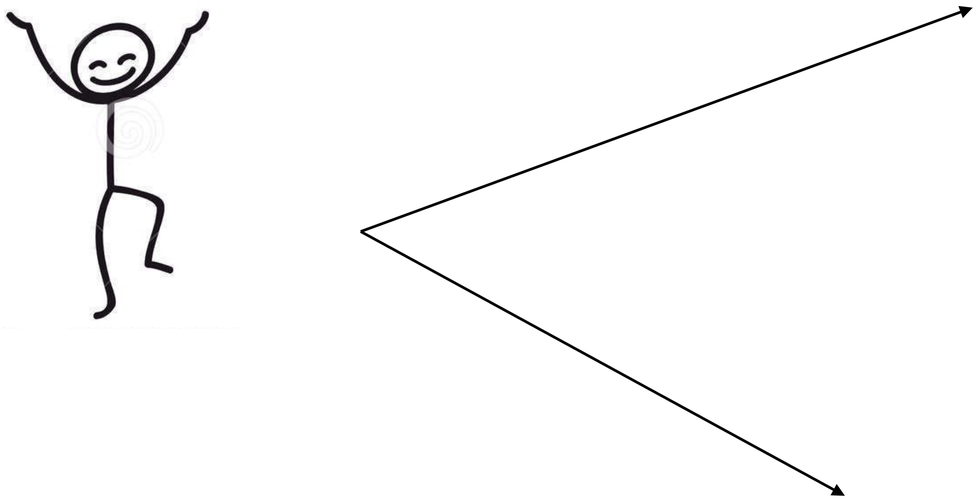

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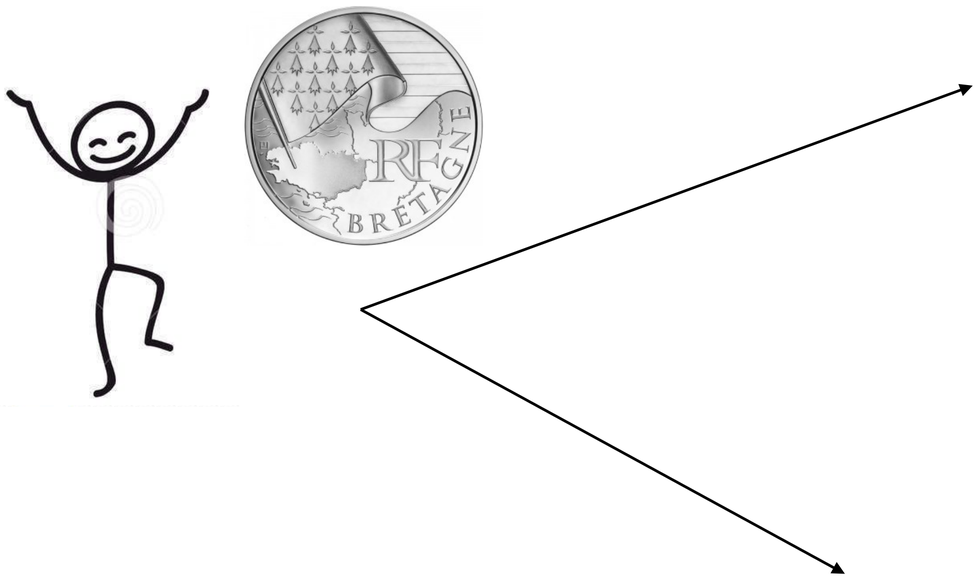

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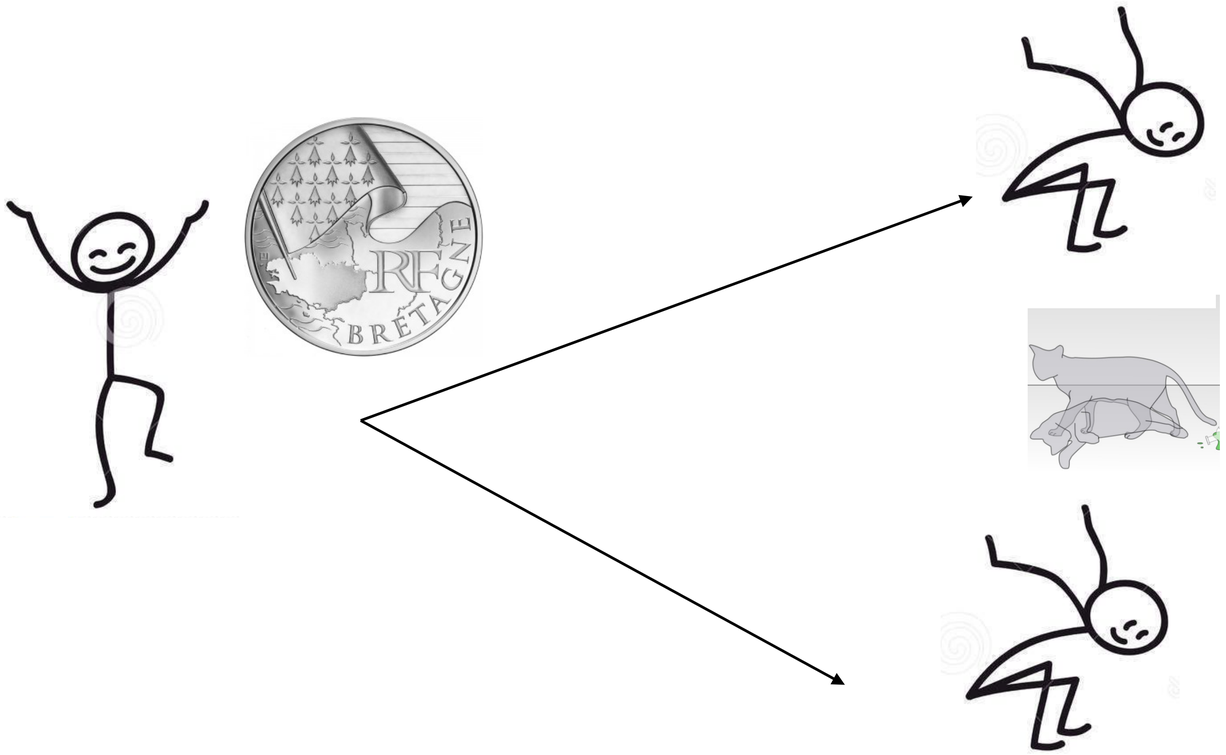

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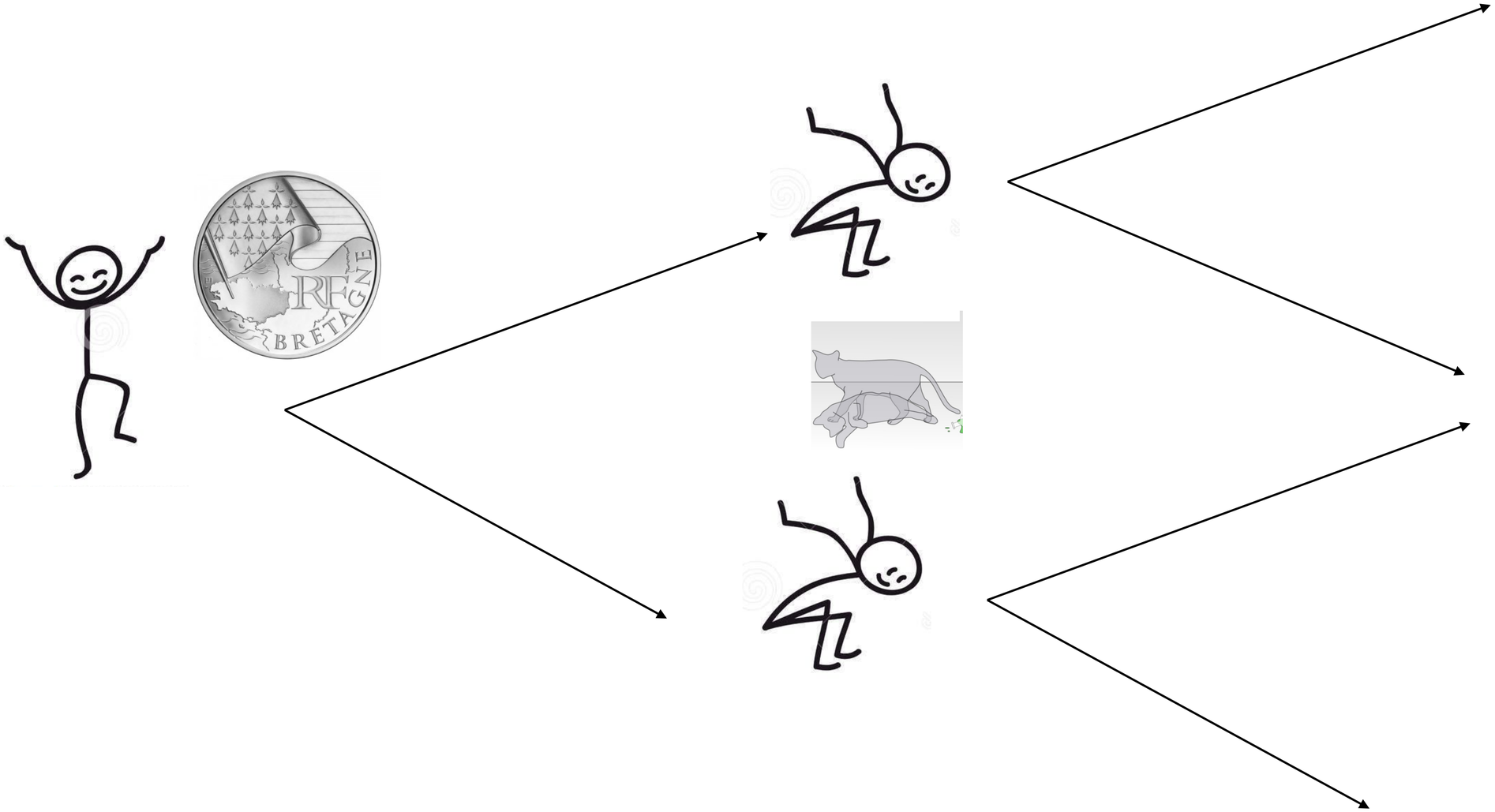

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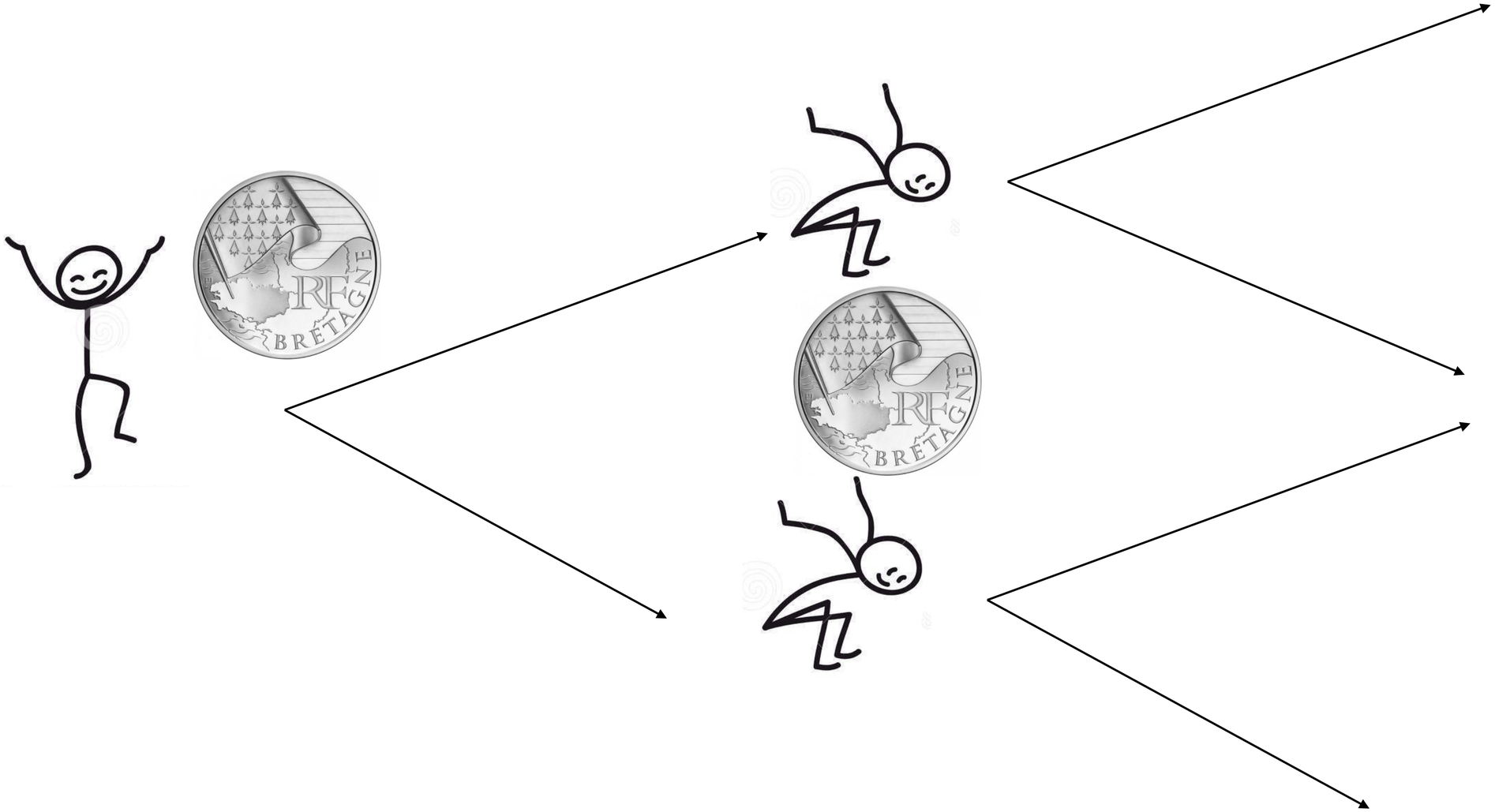

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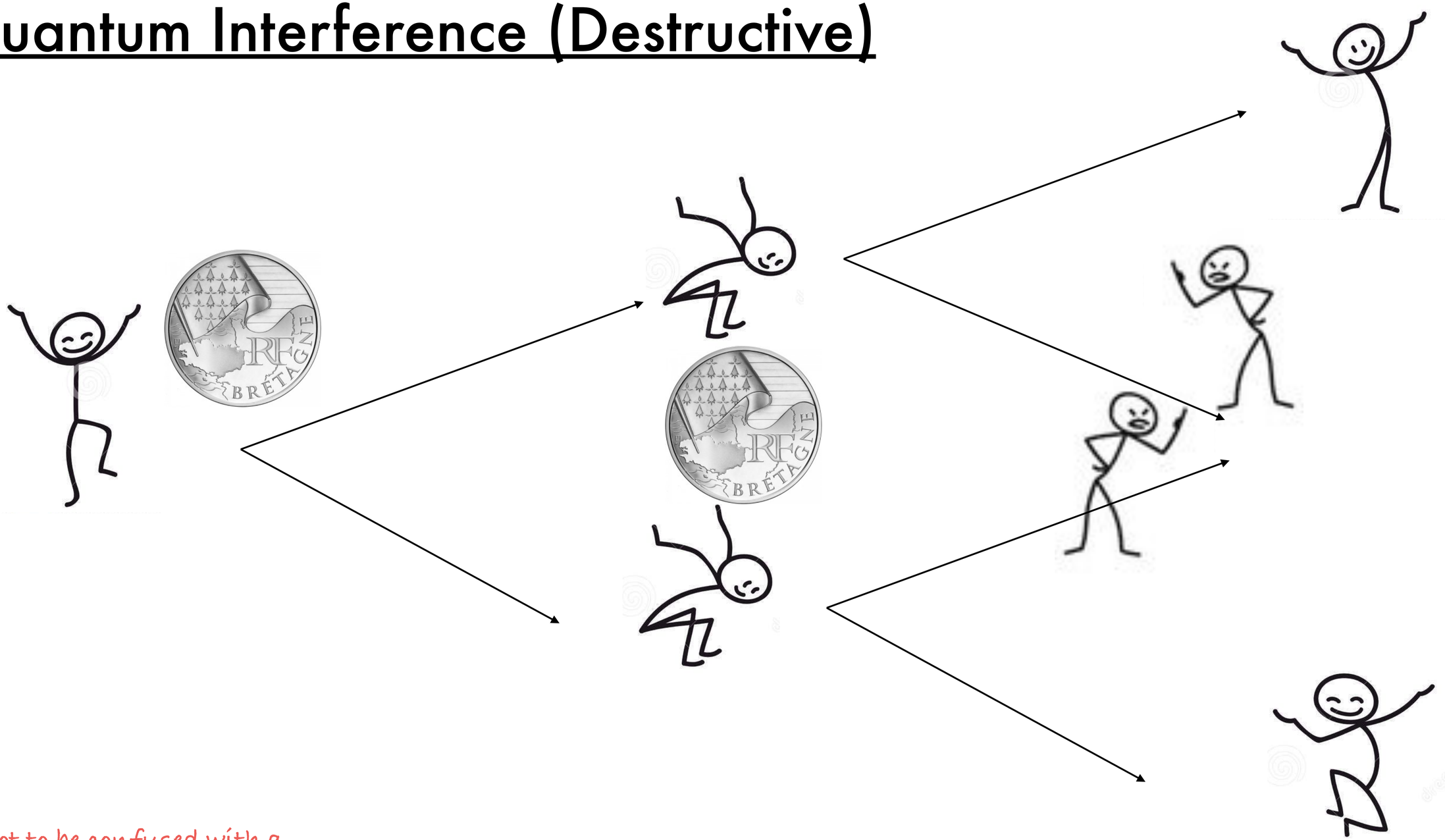

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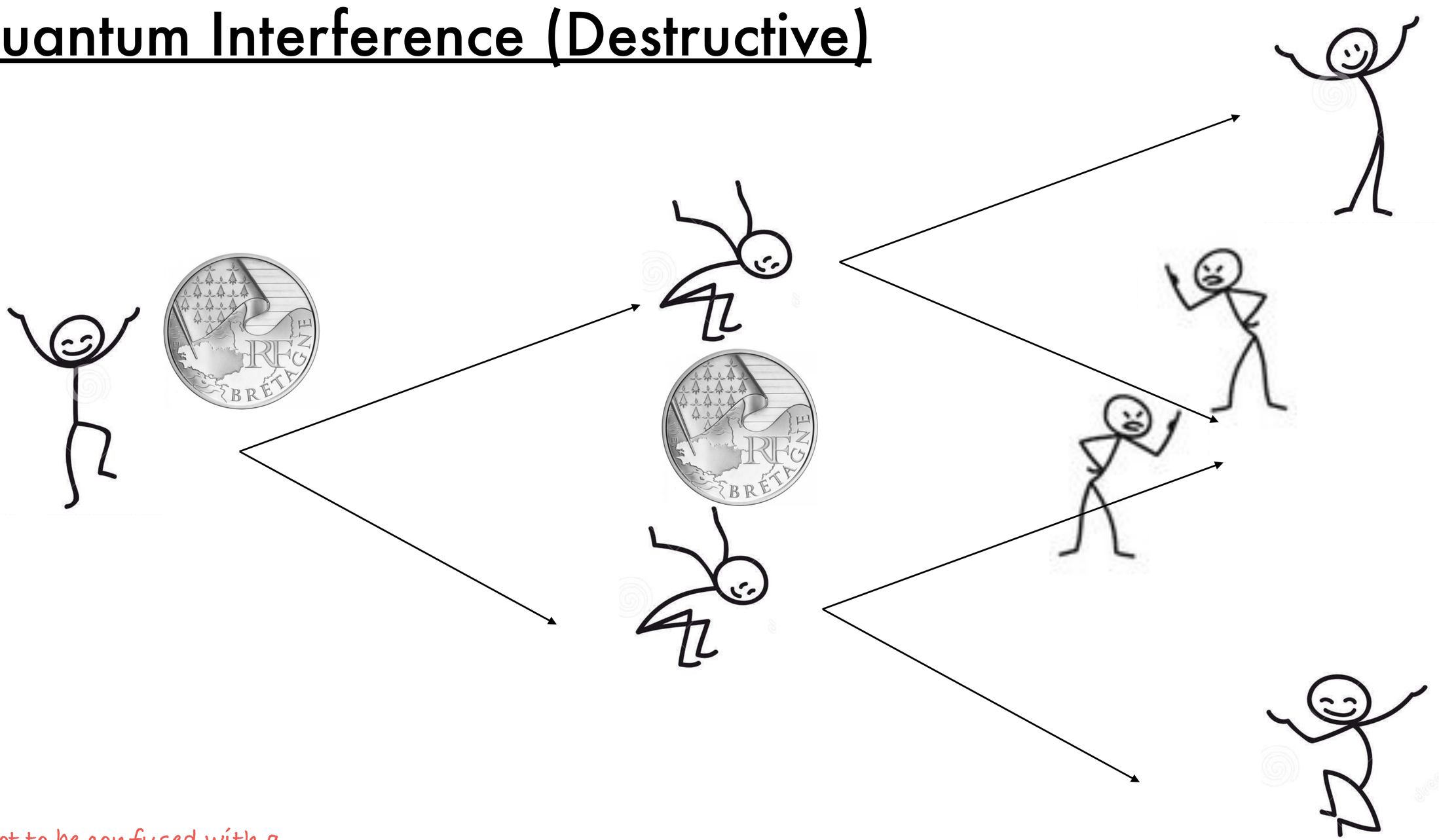

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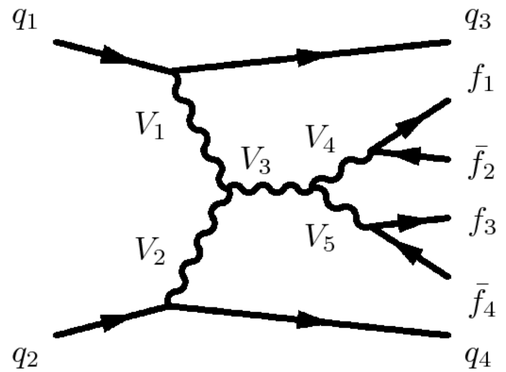

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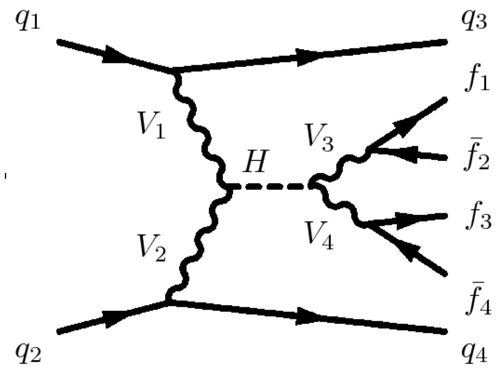

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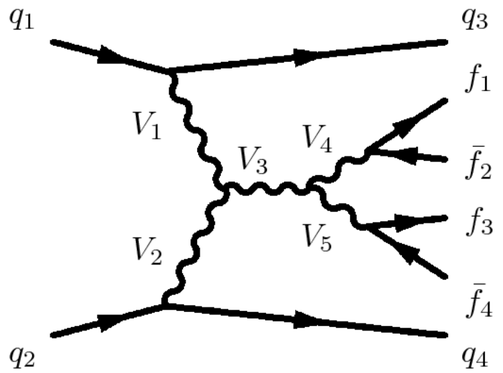

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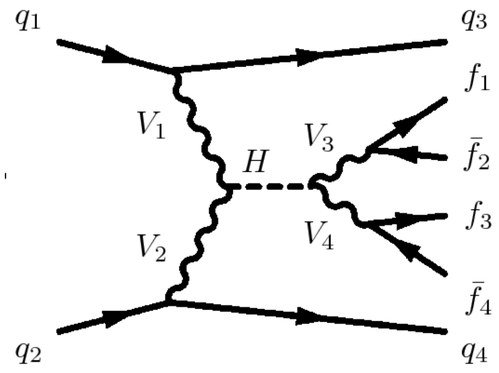

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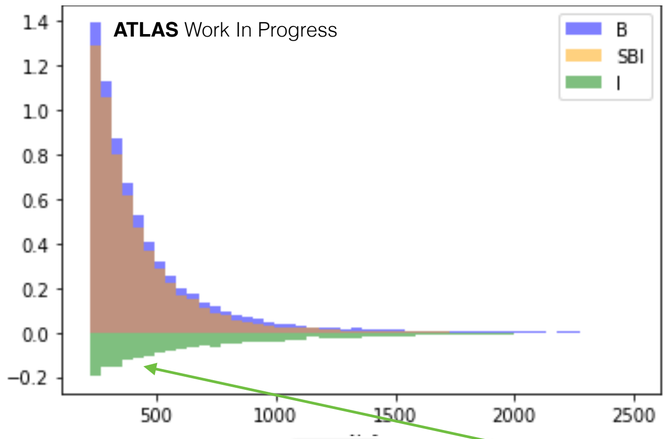

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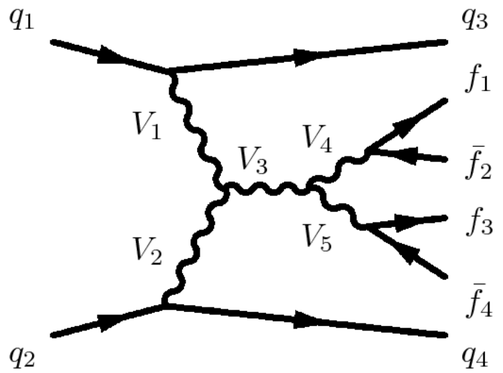

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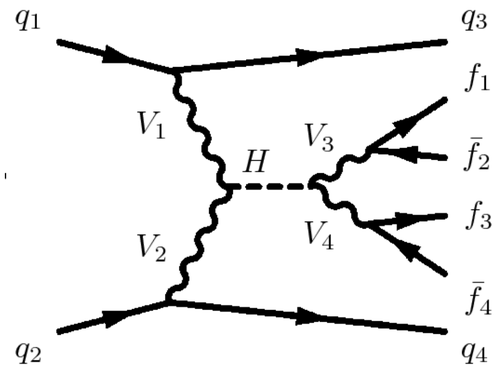

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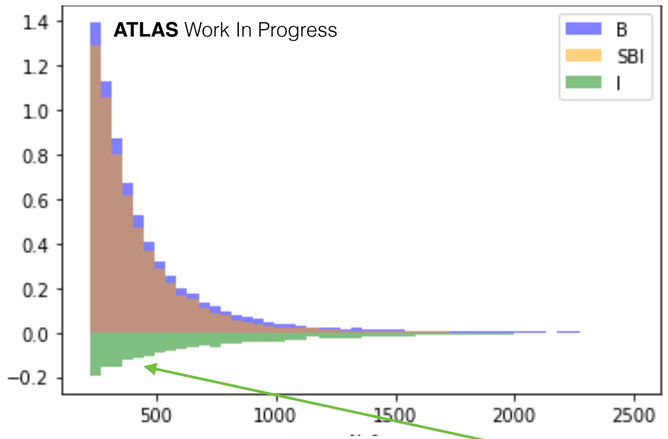

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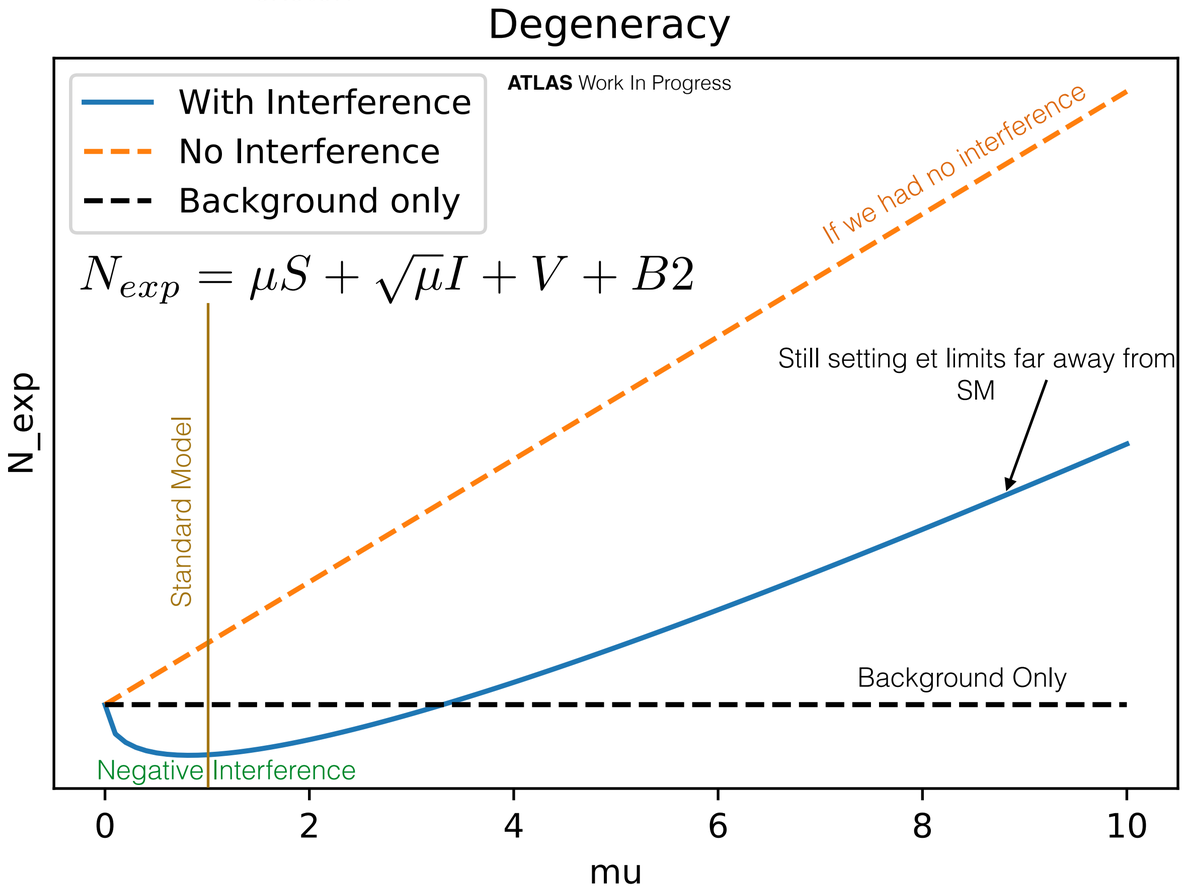

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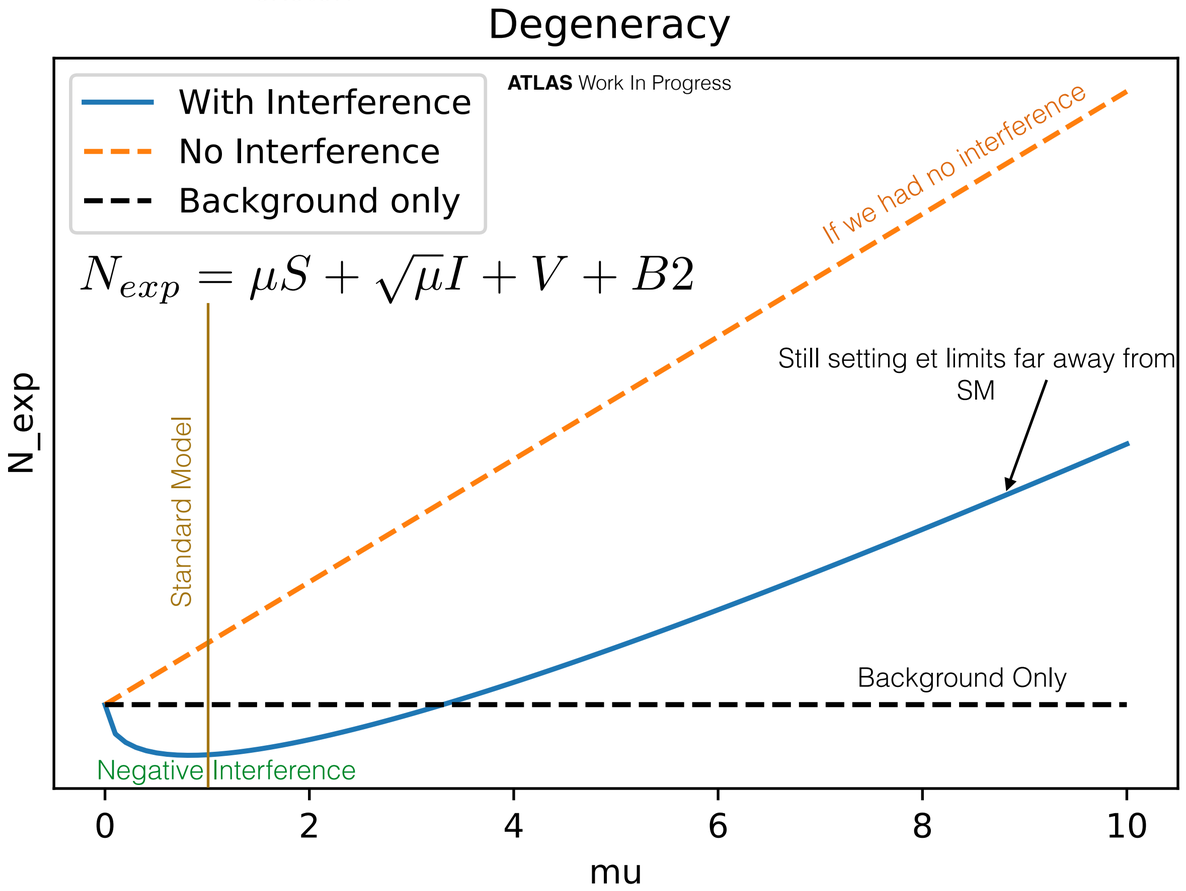

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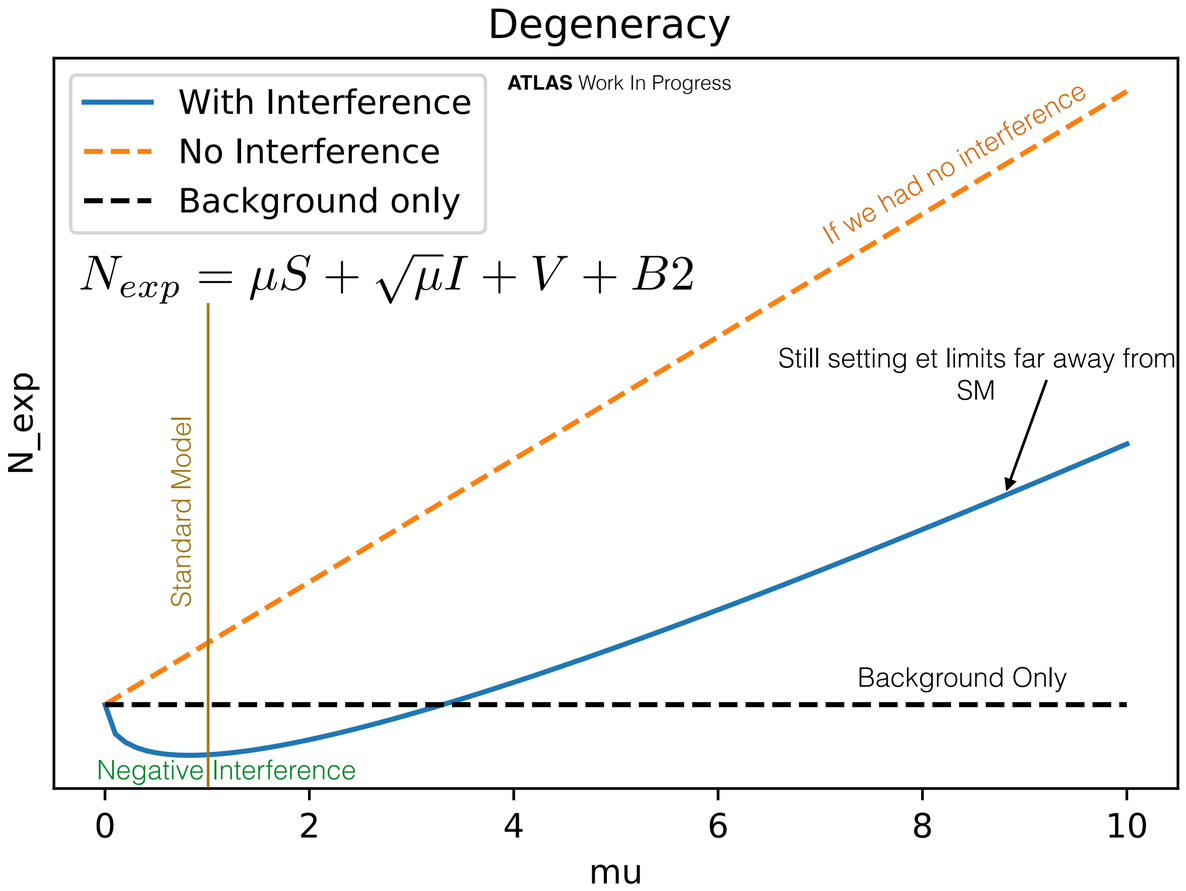

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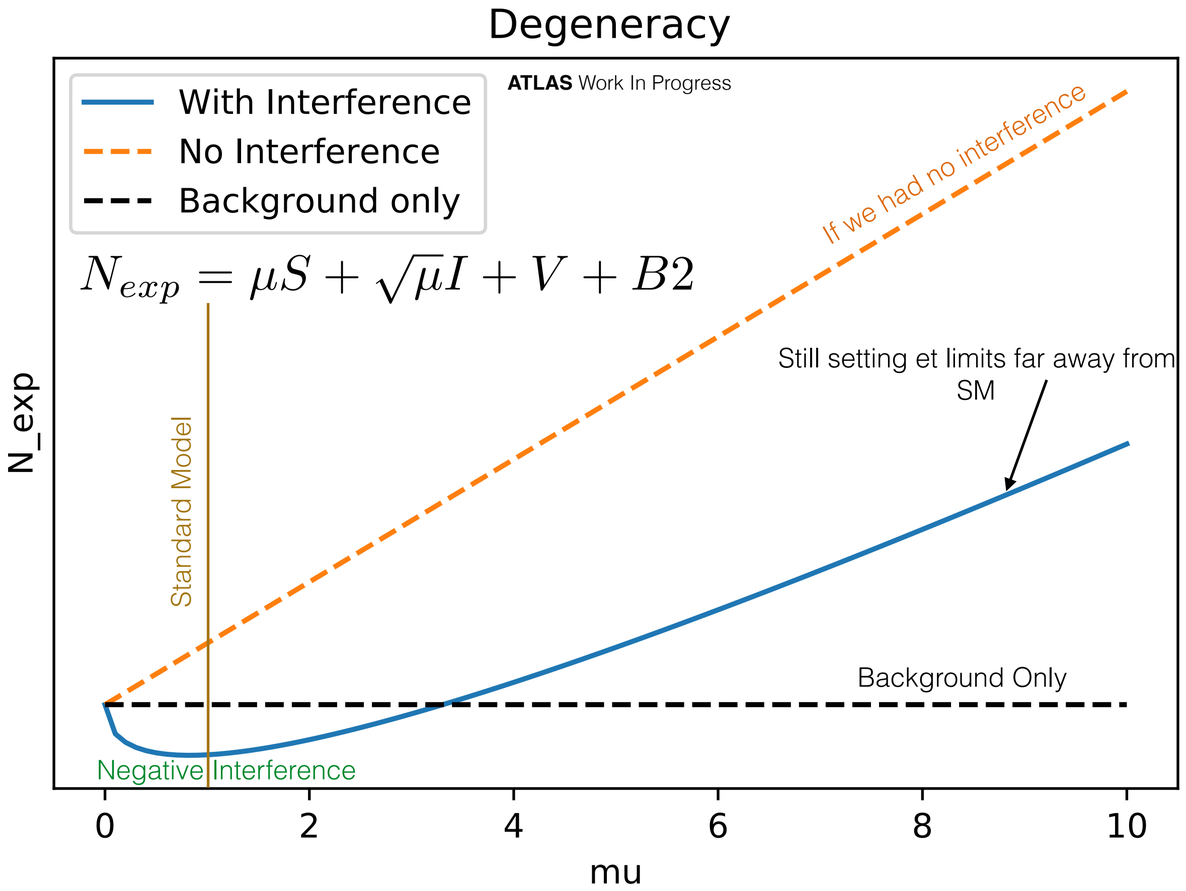

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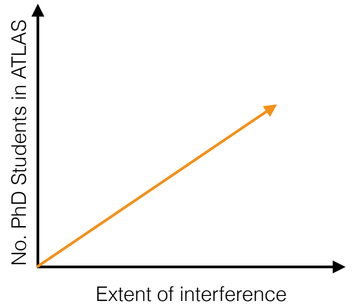

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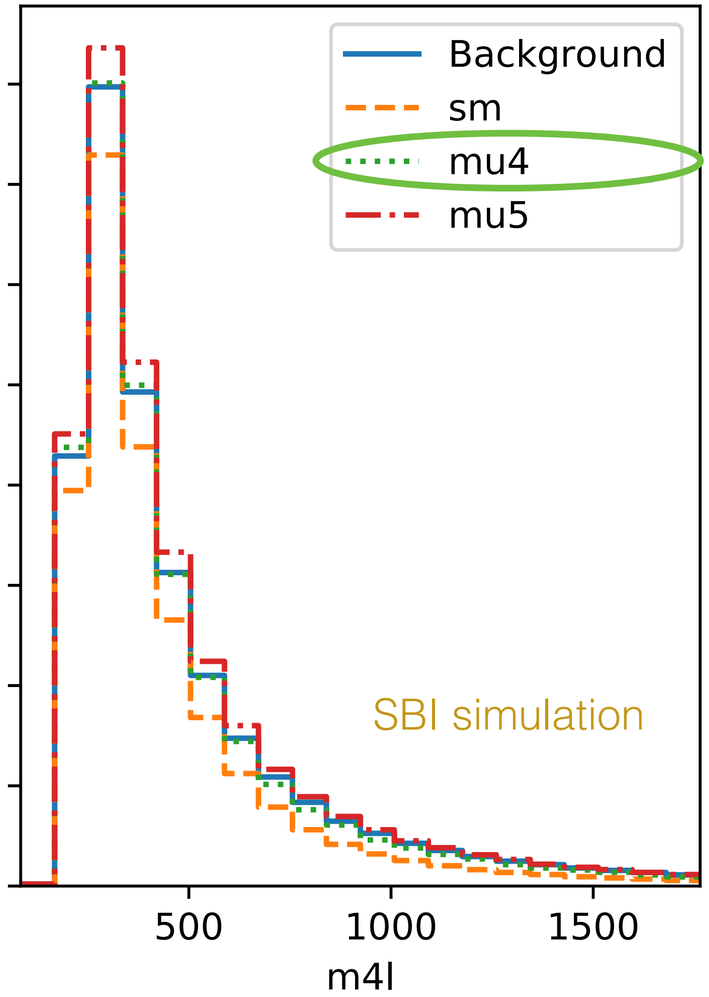

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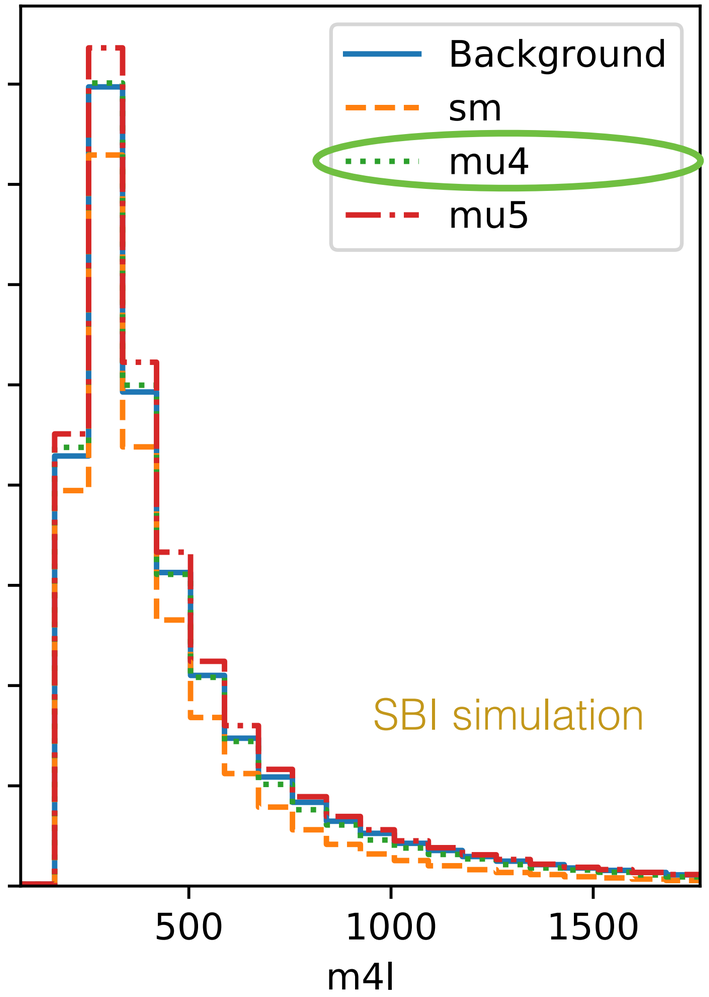

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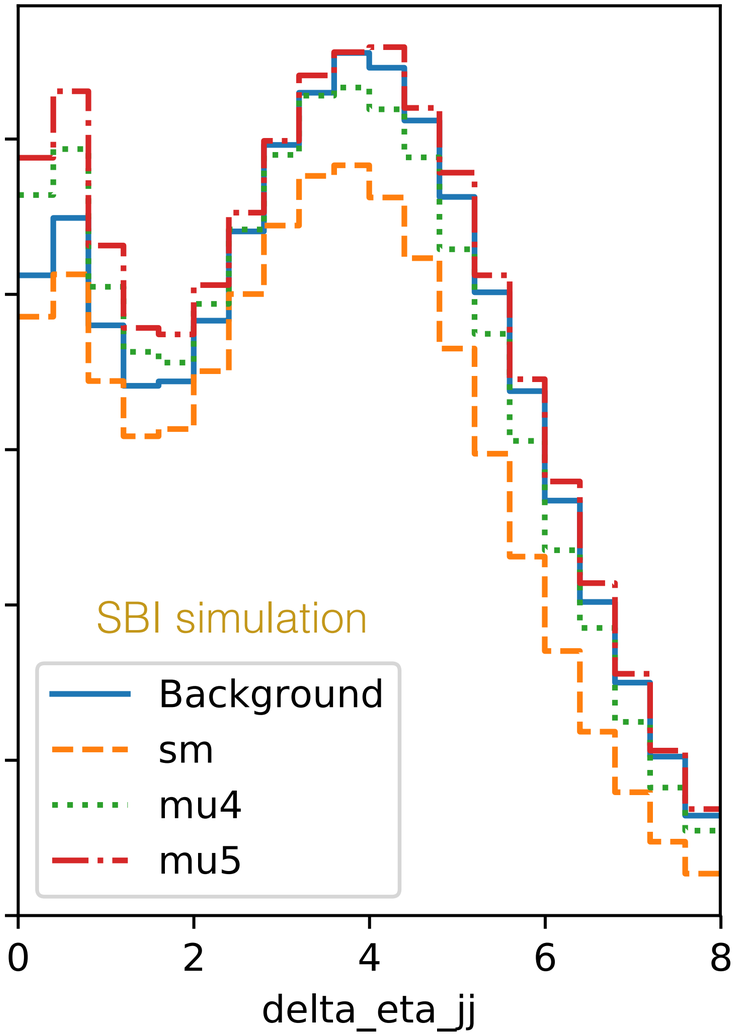

μ=4 indistinguishable from μ=0 but other observables can break the degeneracy

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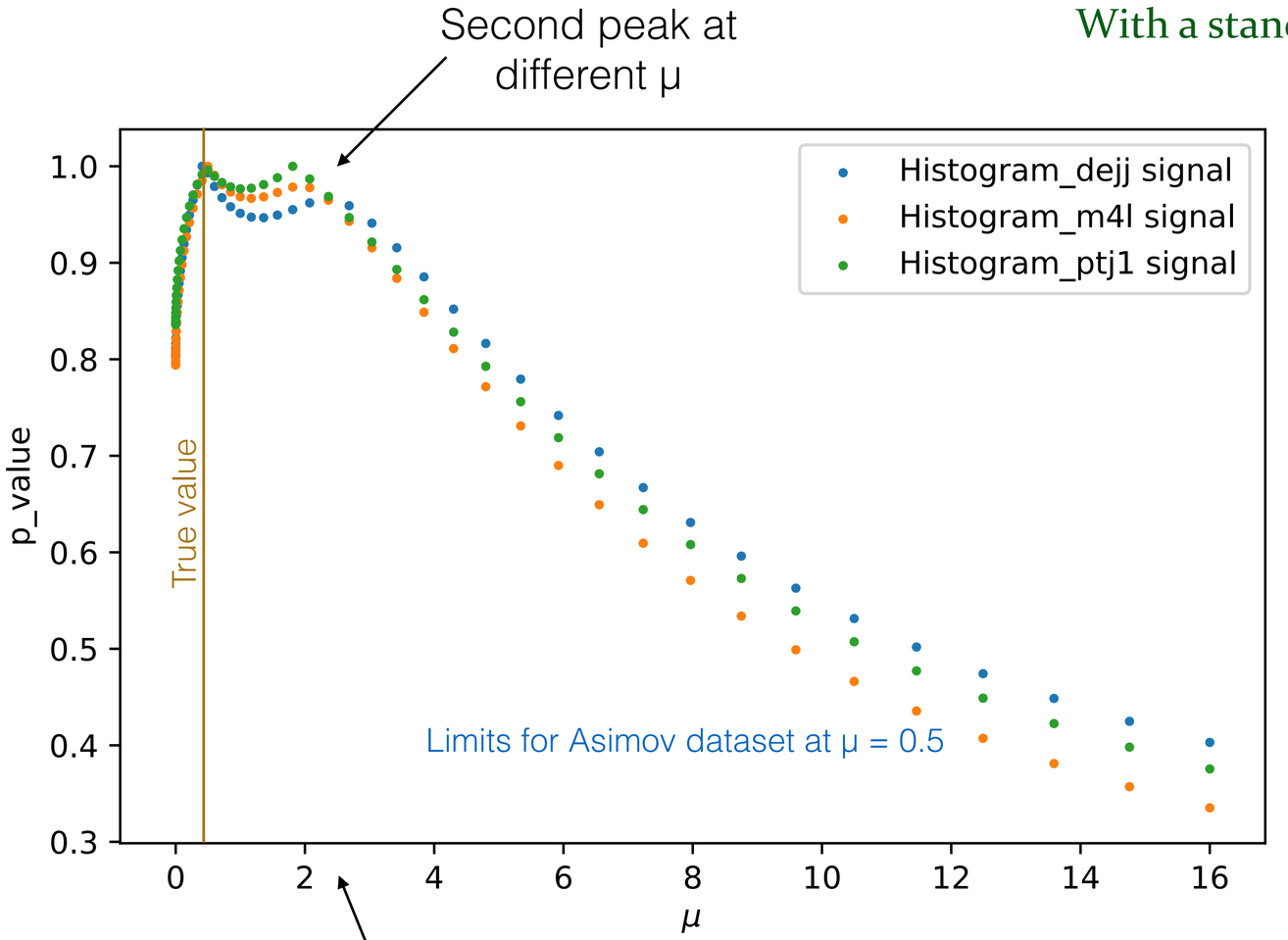

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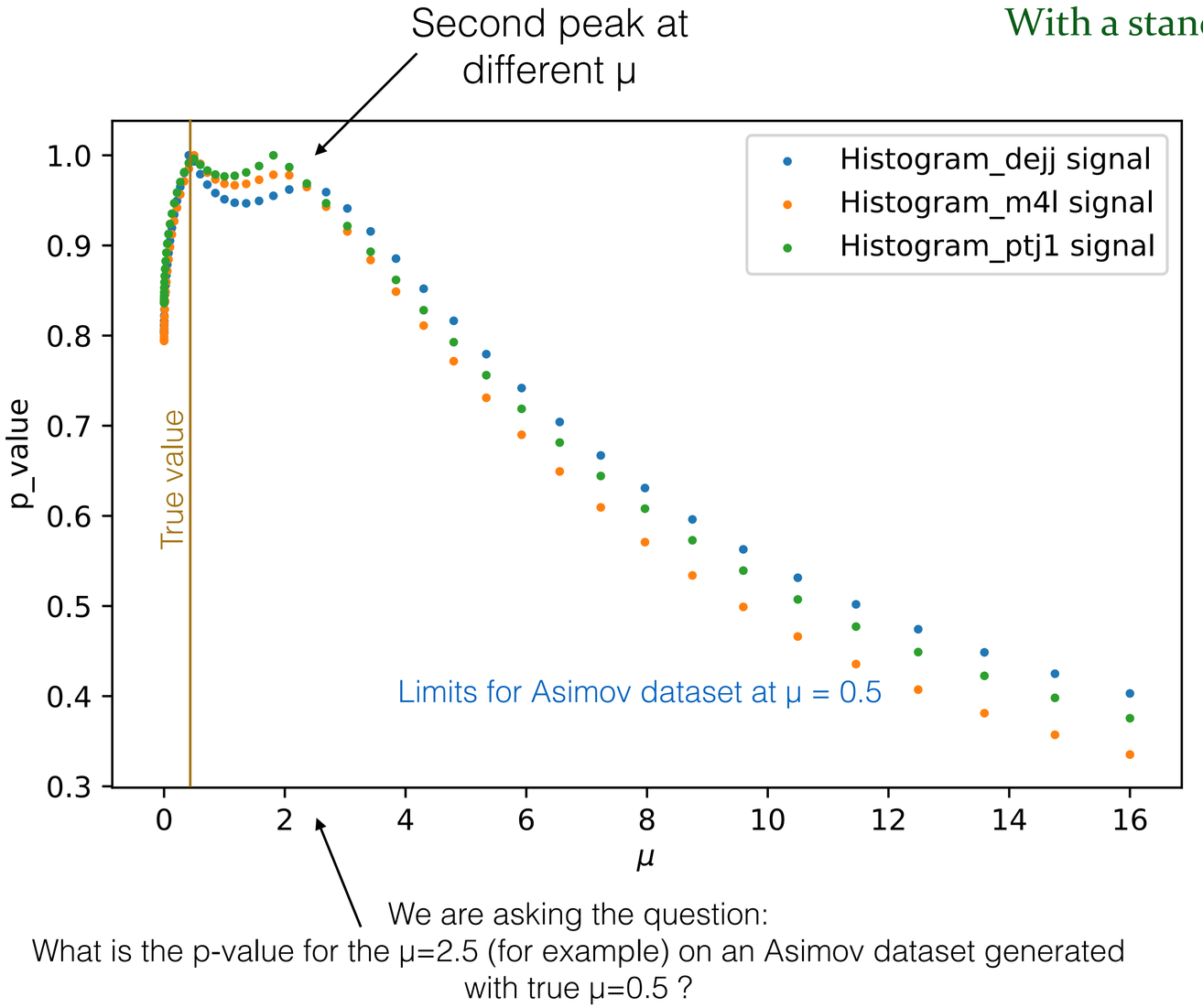

Need an inference machinery that is **aware of** how the **physics** changes **away from the Standard Model point**

A Machine Learning method could **re-optimise the analysis for each hypothesis (μ) being tested automatically.**
If we could train such a model without class labels …

This is where Madminer comes in

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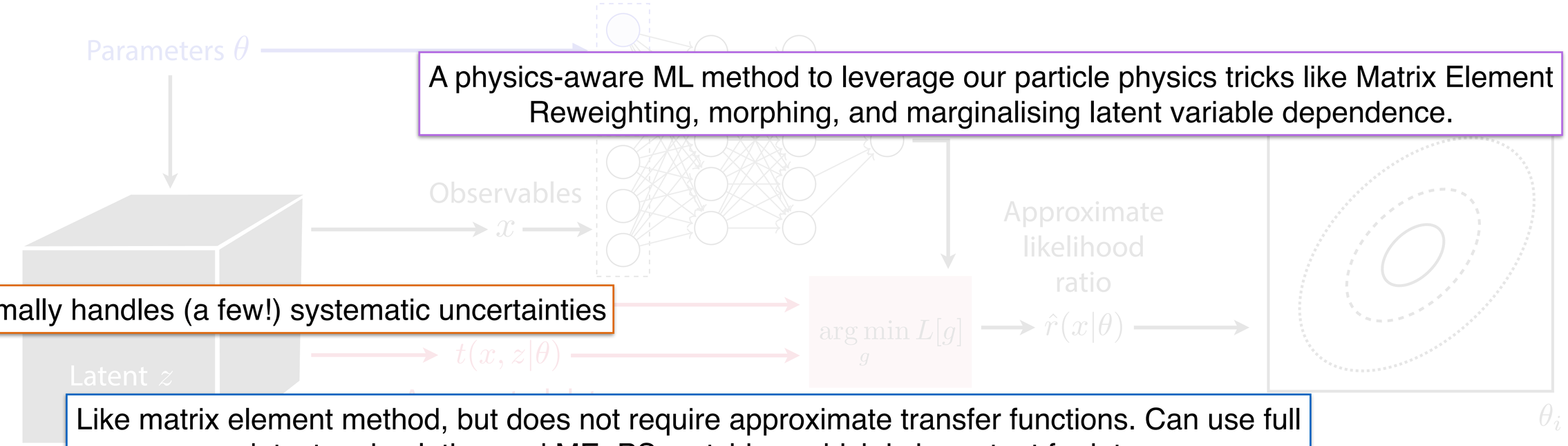

A physics-aware ML method to leverage our particle physics tricks like Matrix Element Reweighting, morphing, and marginalising latent variable dependence.

Optimally handles (a few!) systematic uncertainties

Like matrix element method, but does not require approximate transfer functions. Can use full detector simulation and ME+PS matching, which is important for jets

1. Simulation

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Output of the NN is not a classification, but **directly the likelihood ratio** based on high-dimensional observables

"Mining gold": Extract additional information

Use this information to train estimator for likelihood ratio

Limit setting with standard hypothesis tests

MadMiner: Machine learning–based inference for particle physics

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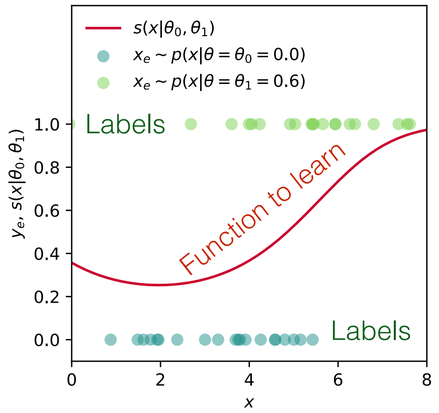

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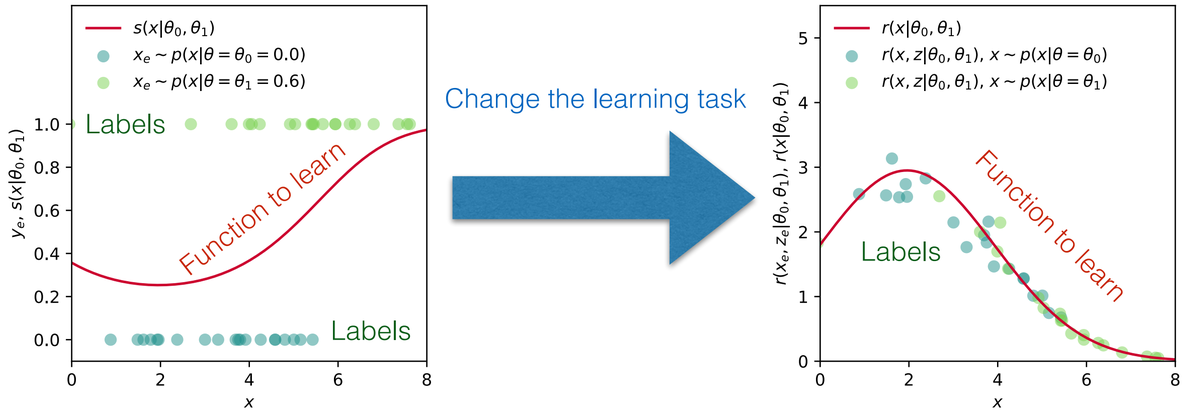

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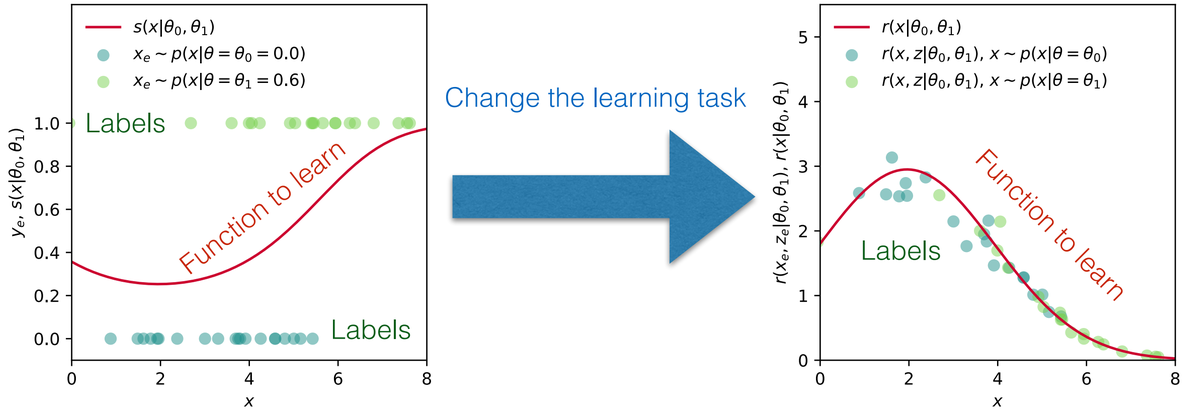

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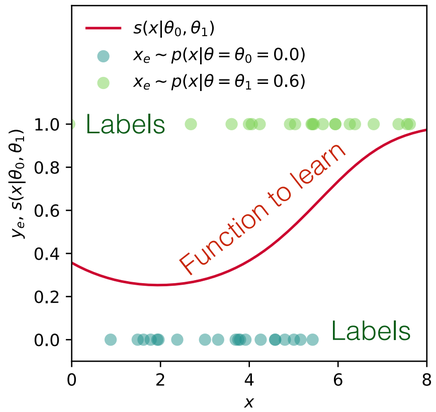

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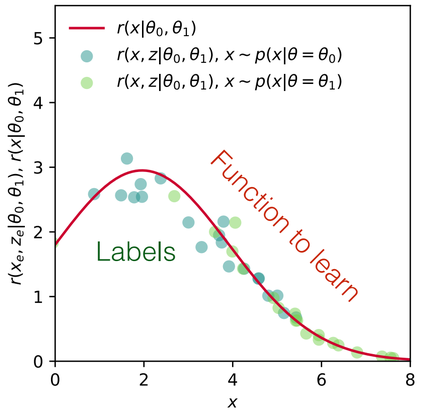

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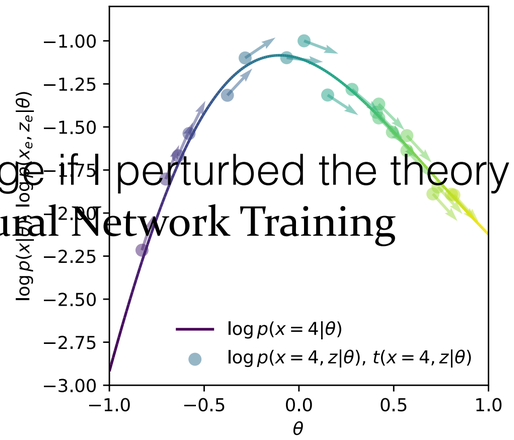

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MadMiner Inference Models

Method	Run simulation at	Loss fn. uses $r(x,z)$	Loss fn. uses $t(x,z)$	Asympt. exact	Generative	Ref.
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Likelihood ratio estimators						
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Approximate **L**ikelihood with **I**mproved **C**ross-entropy **E**stimator and **S**core

(parameterised on all values of μ)

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(locally optimal near the SM)

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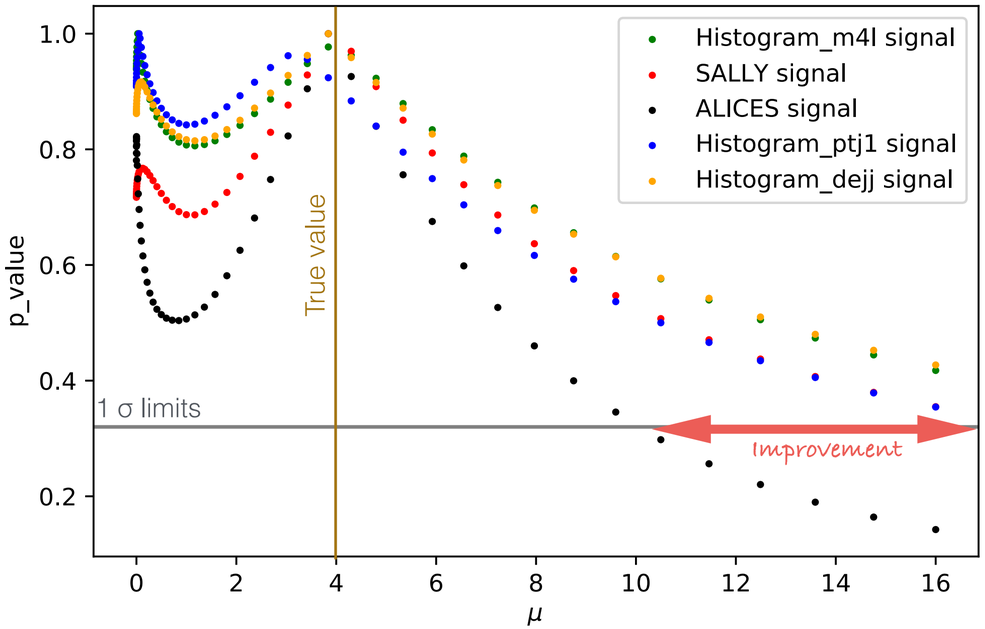

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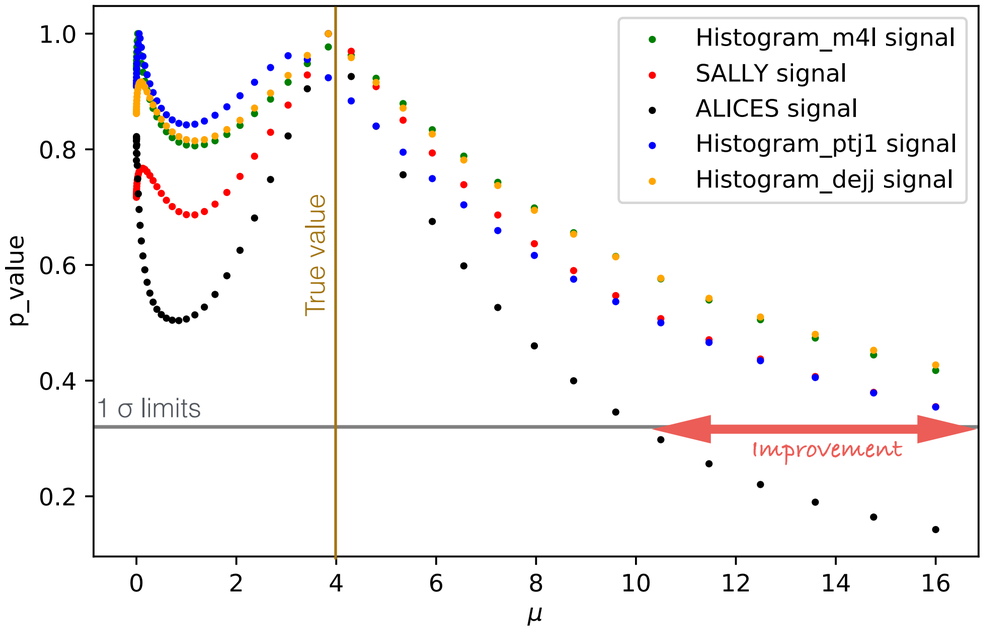

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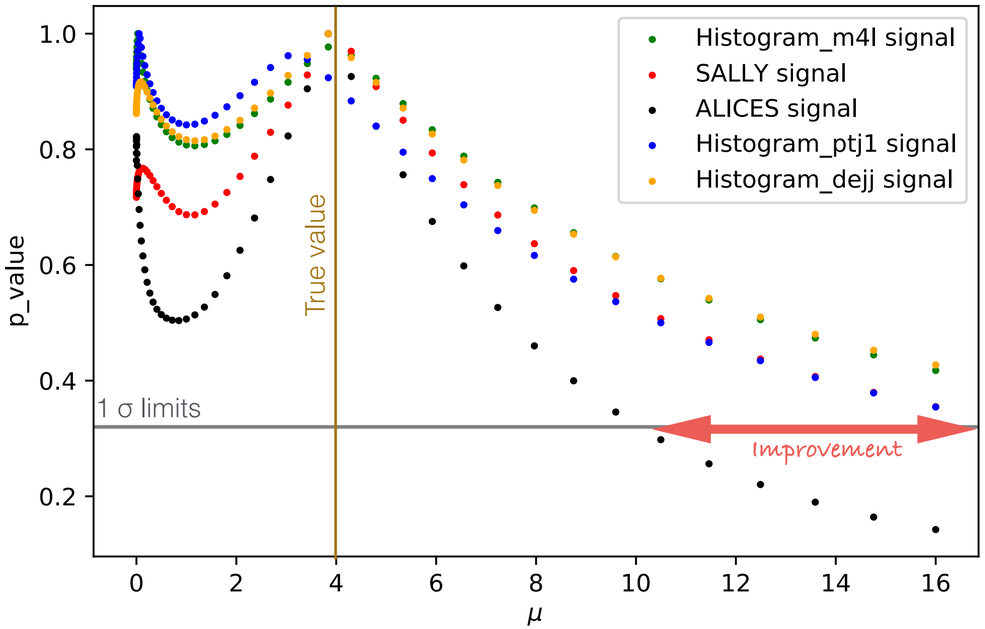

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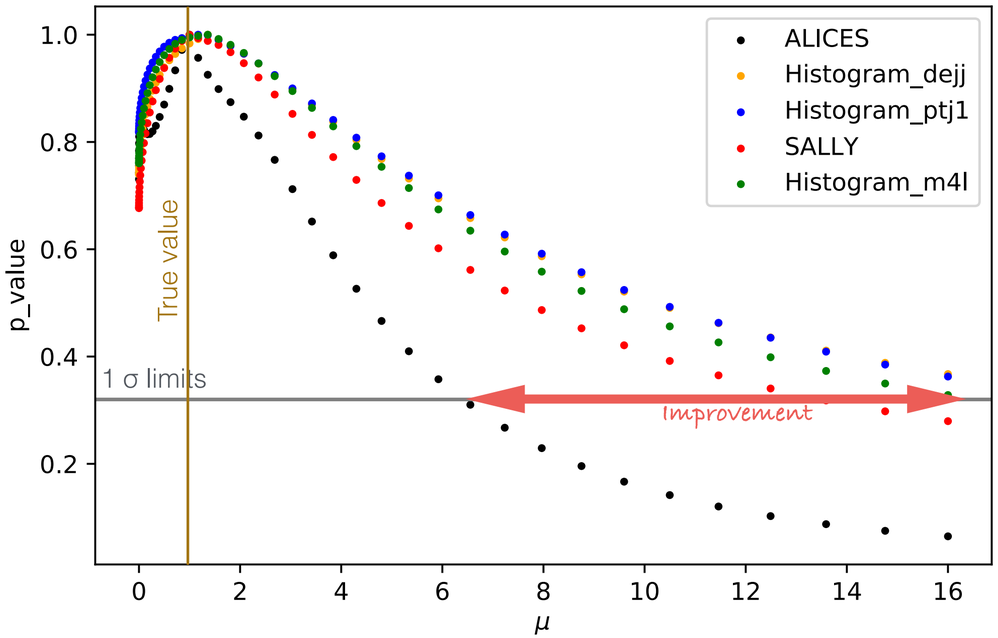

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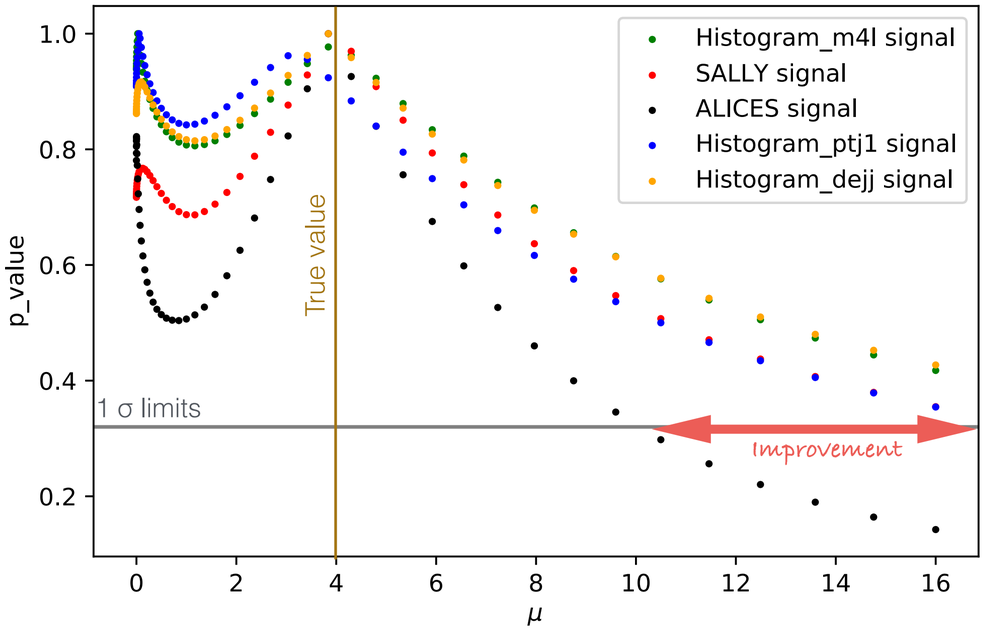

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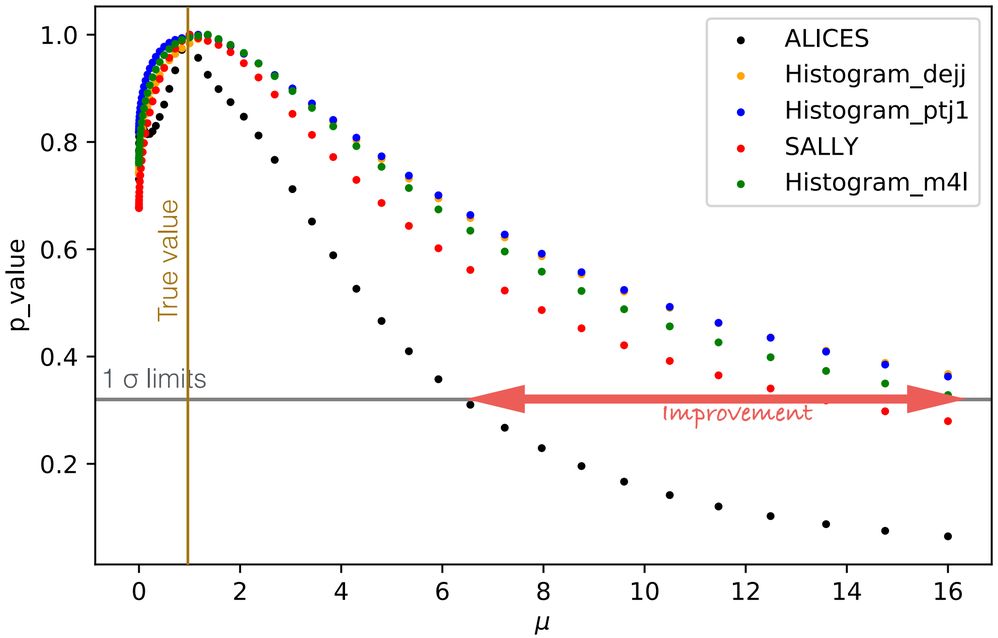

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Alices >> Sally > Histograms

Actual ATLAS VBF offshell h4l baseline analysis would be better than a simple histogram of m4l

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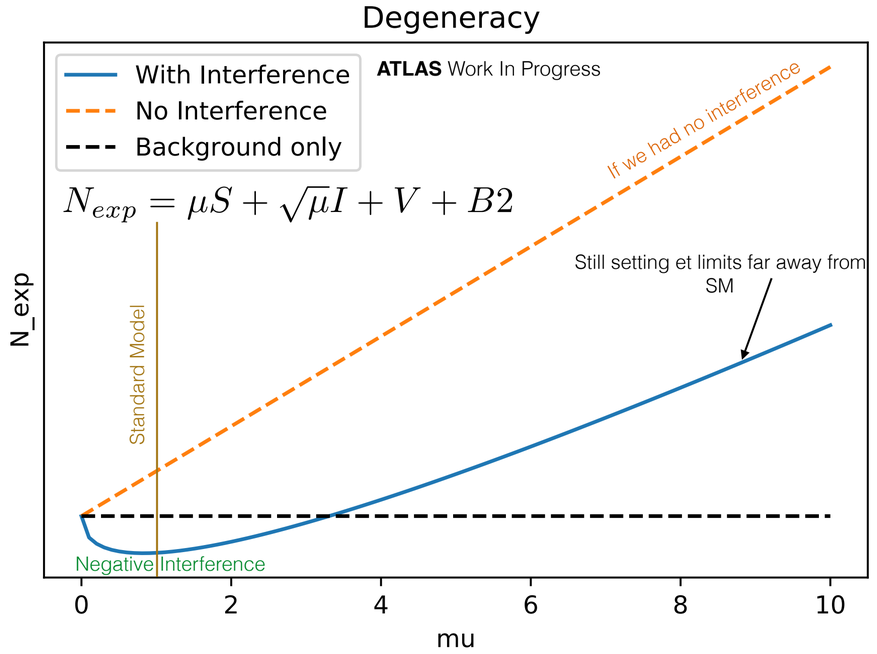

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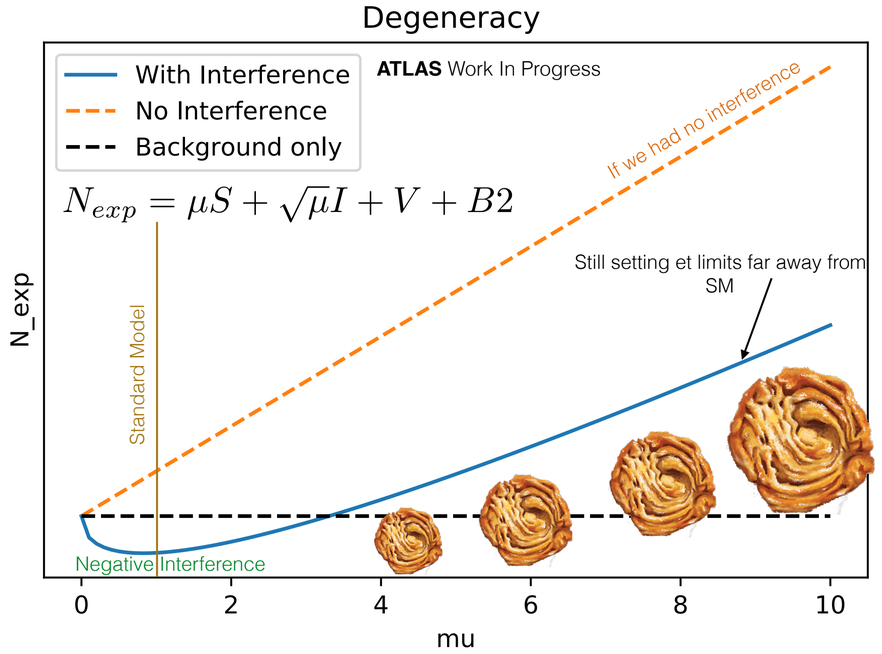

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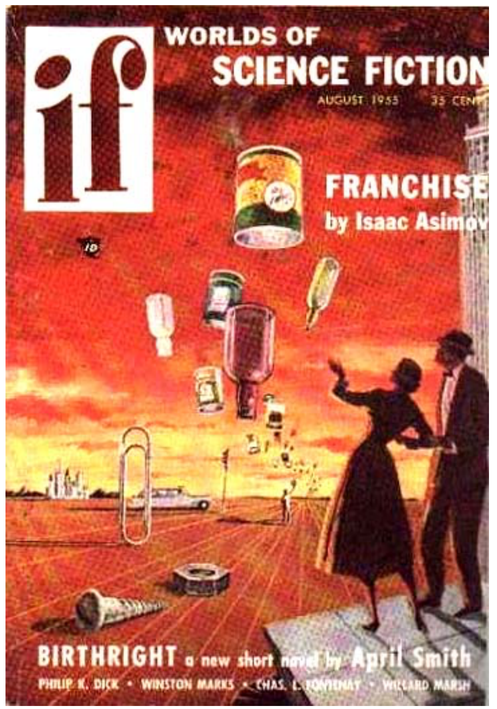
Backup

https://arxiv.org/abs/1007.1727

“Asimov Dataset”

- To get a median expected measurement result of an observation where we expect few events, need to generate many “toy” observation datasets
- Replacing the ensemble of simulated experiments (toys) by a single representative one, the “Asimov” dataset
- A dataset upon which unbiased measurements yield exactly the correct theory parameters
- In practice we cannot have perfectly Asimov datasets, but a very large simulation can approximate an Asimov dataset
- Statistical uncertainties are not quadratic sum of weights, they are √(N) where N = Σ(W), to give a feeling of realistic expected uncertainties on the actual observed data

In the future, the United States has converted to an "electronic democracy" where the **AI** selects a **single person to answer a number of questions**. The **AI** will then use the answers and other data to determine what the results of an election would be, **avoiding the need for an actual election** to be held.



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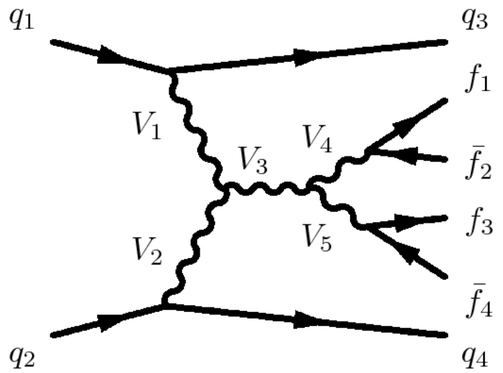
Interference Kills “Signal like” background events

S = VBF-Higgs, B = VBS, SBI = Combined Simulation



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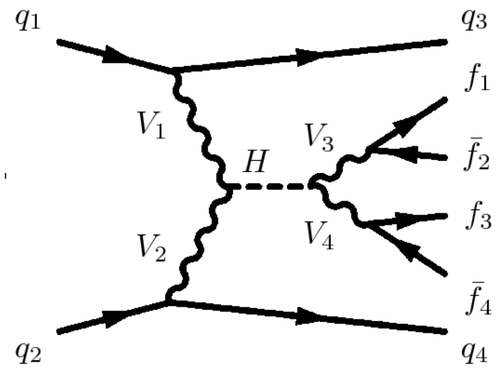
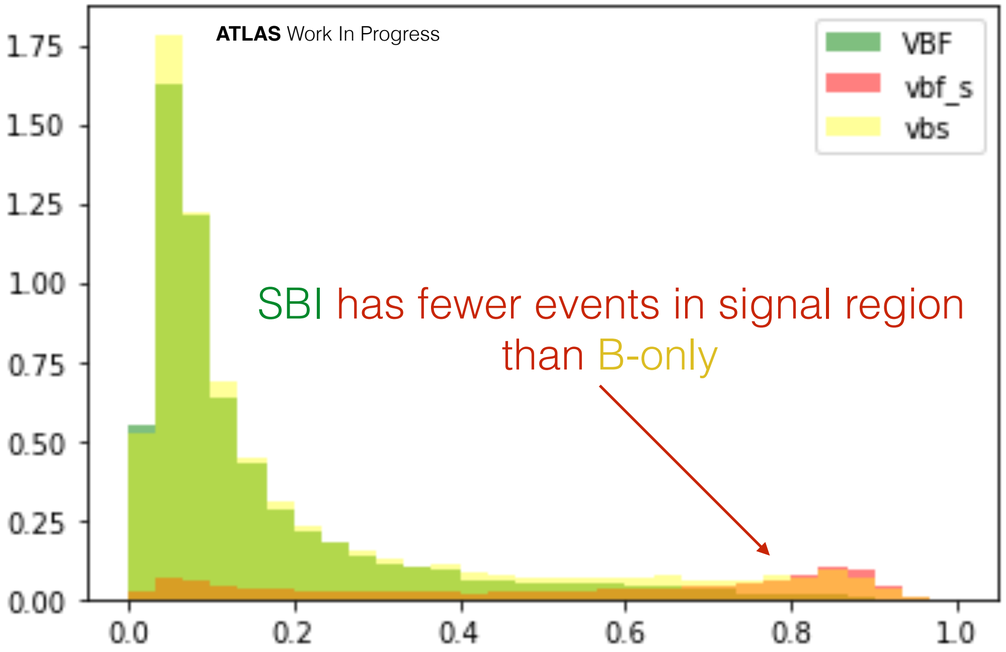


Higgs Propagator (Signal)

Classifier trained on S vs B



- The background distribution also peaks at the “signal region”, BDT_score > 0.8
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  - **Interference is almost perfectly destructive**

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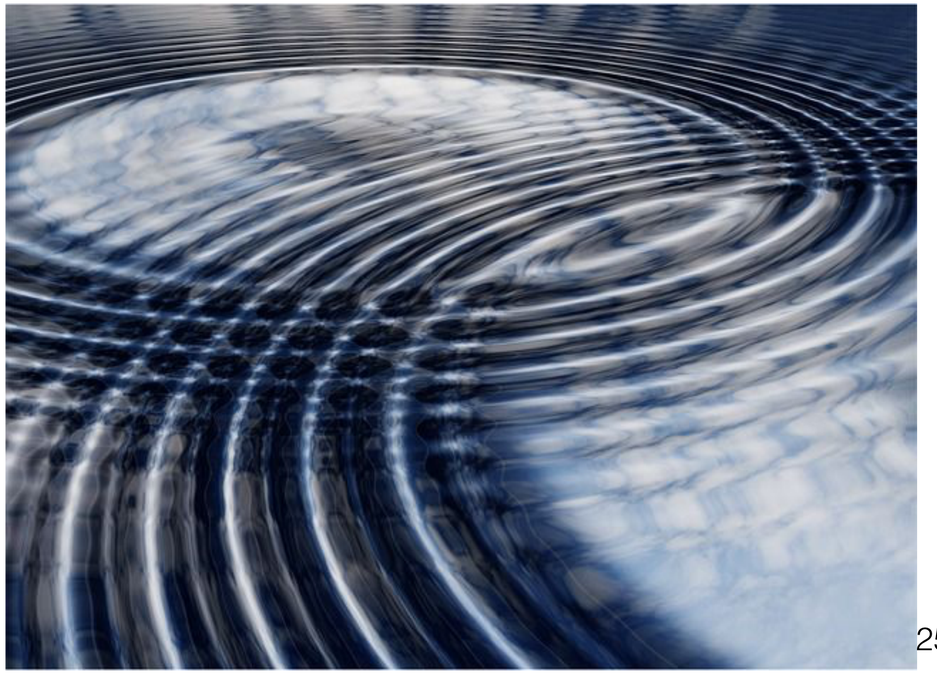

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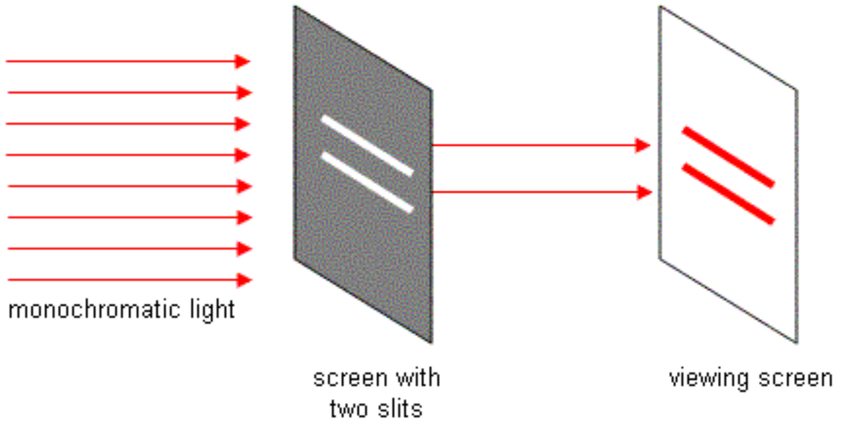

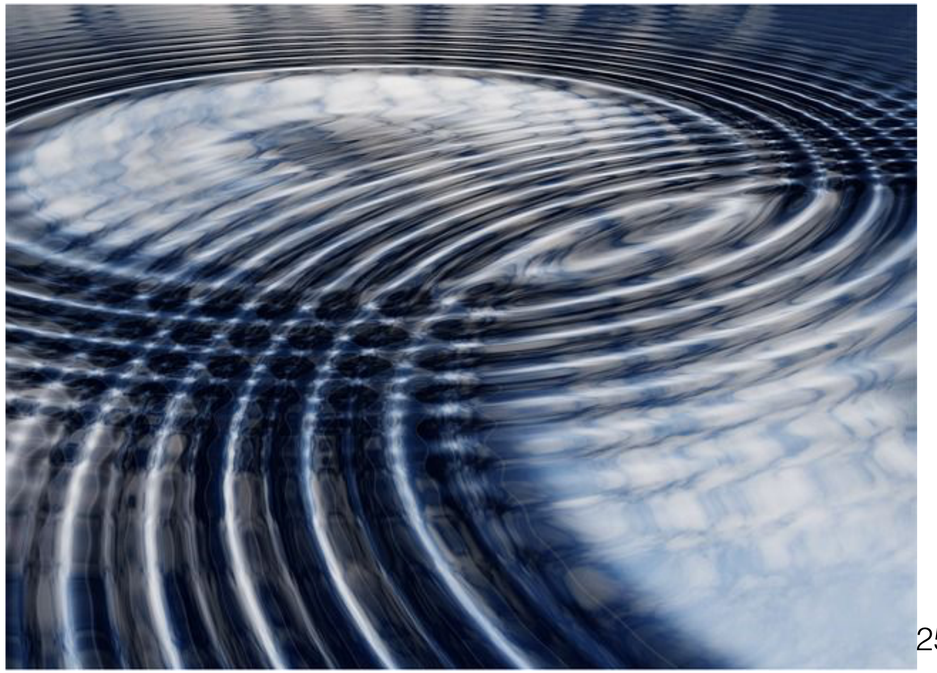

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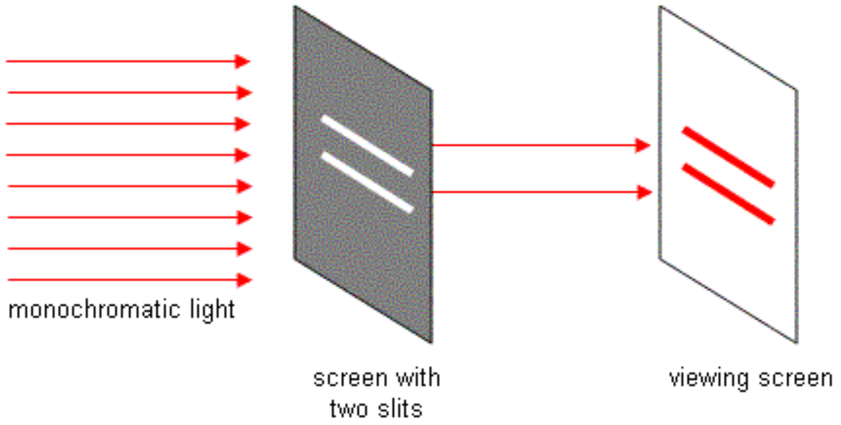

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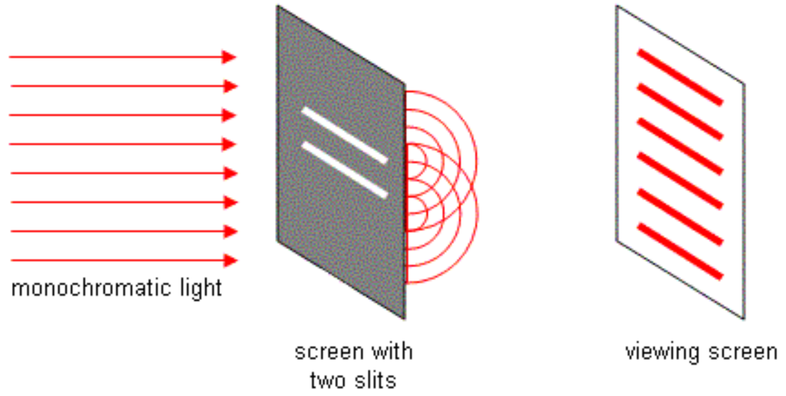

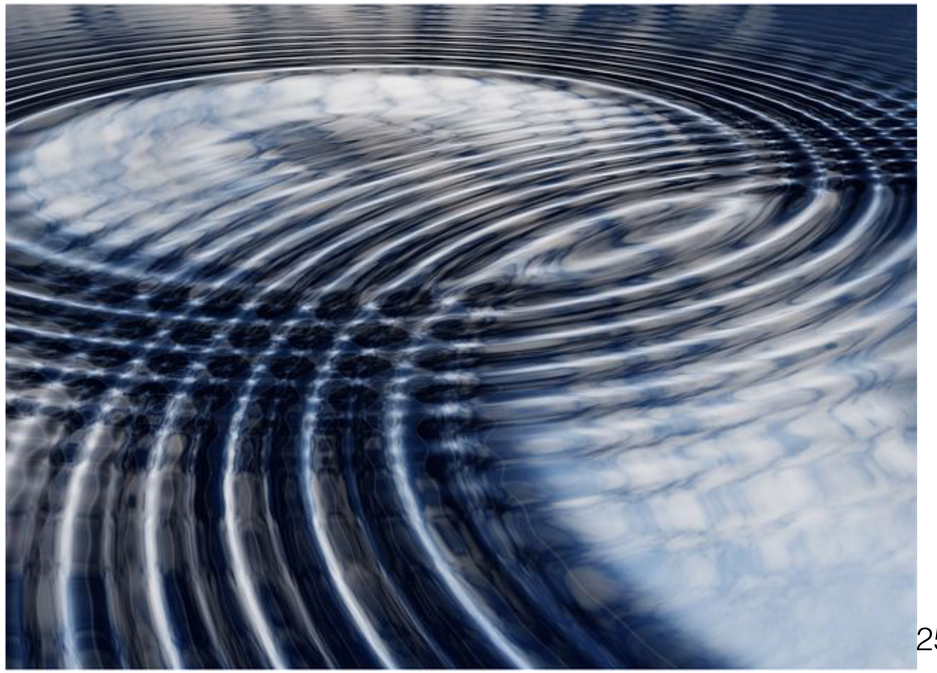

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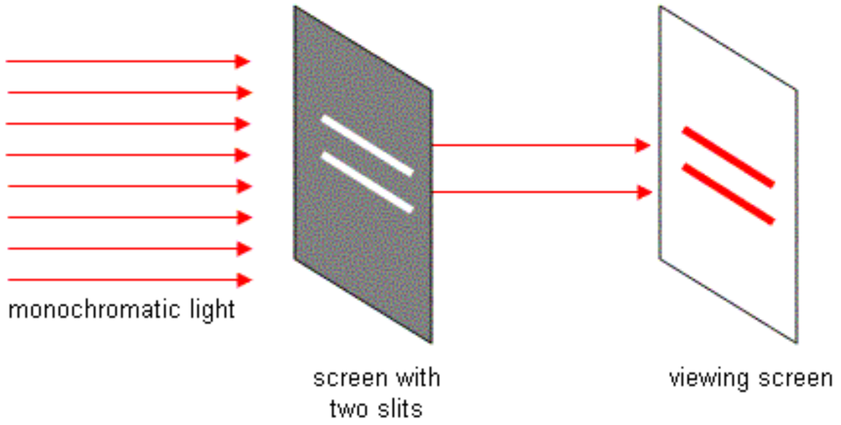

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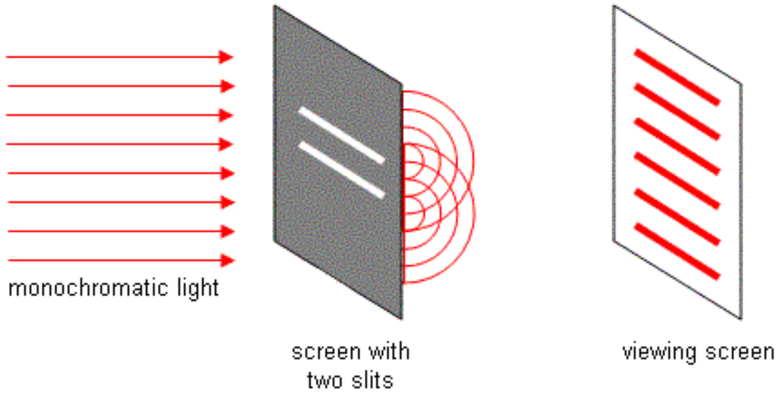

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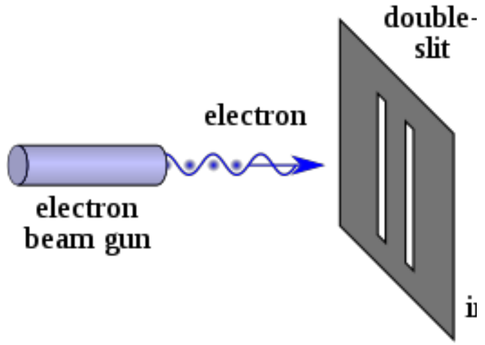

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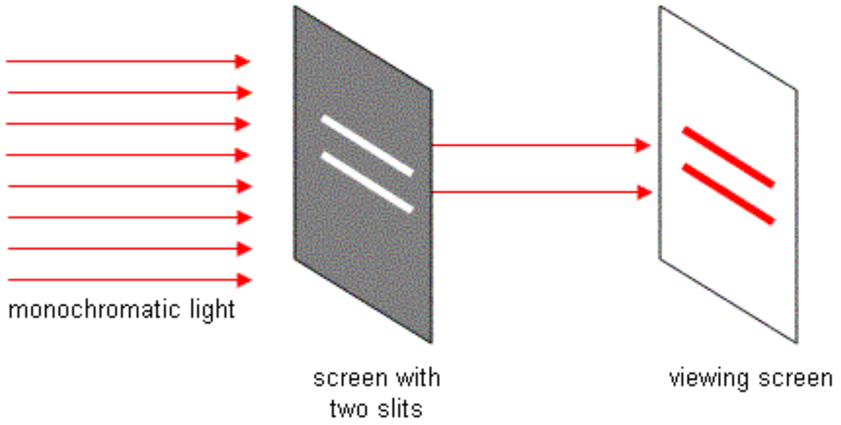

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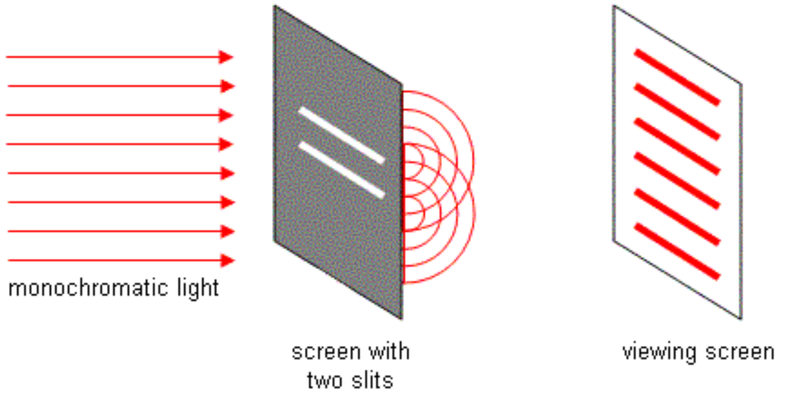

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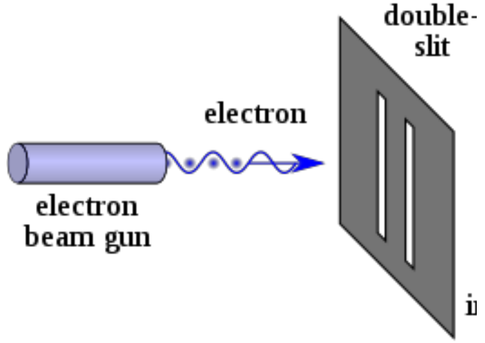

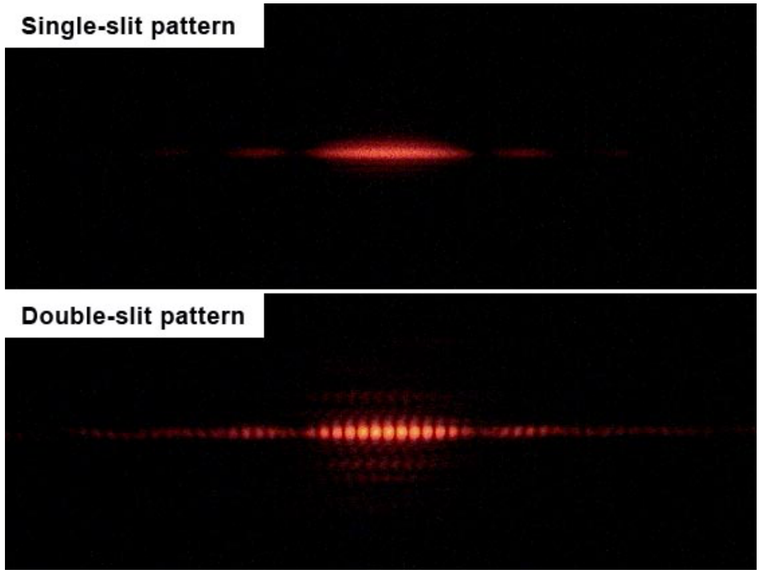

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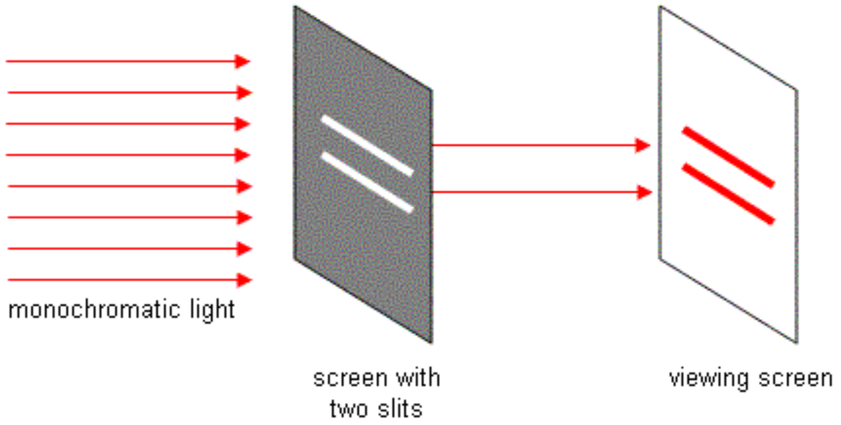

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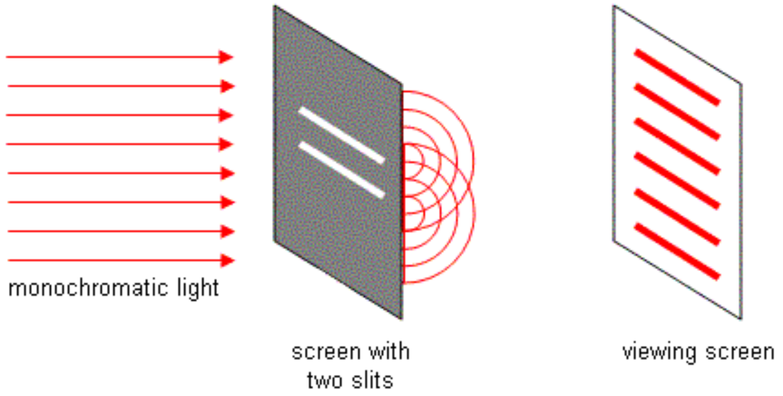

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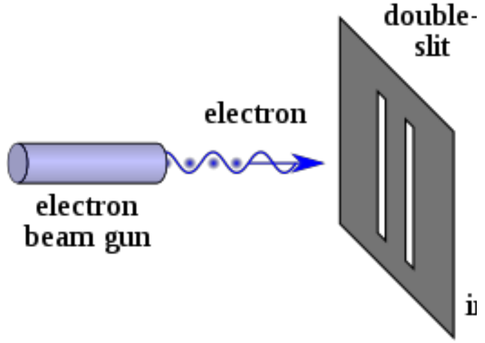

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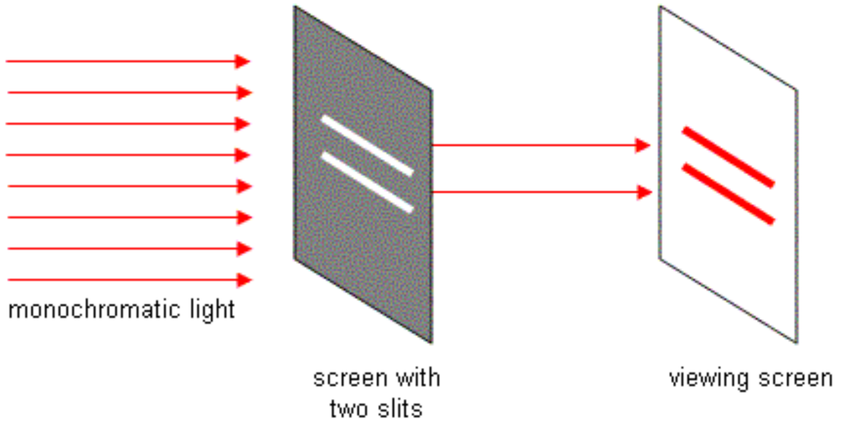

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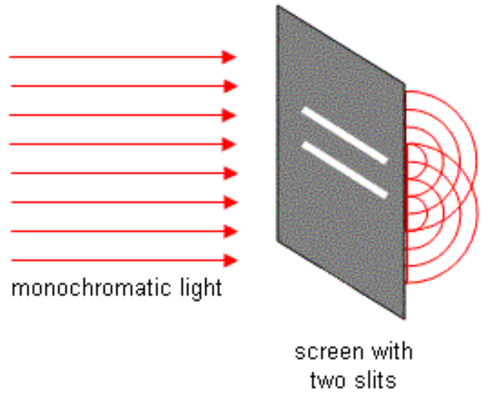

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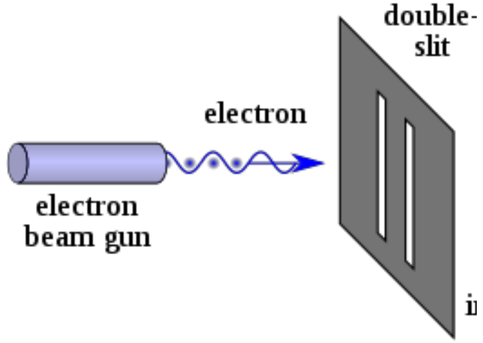

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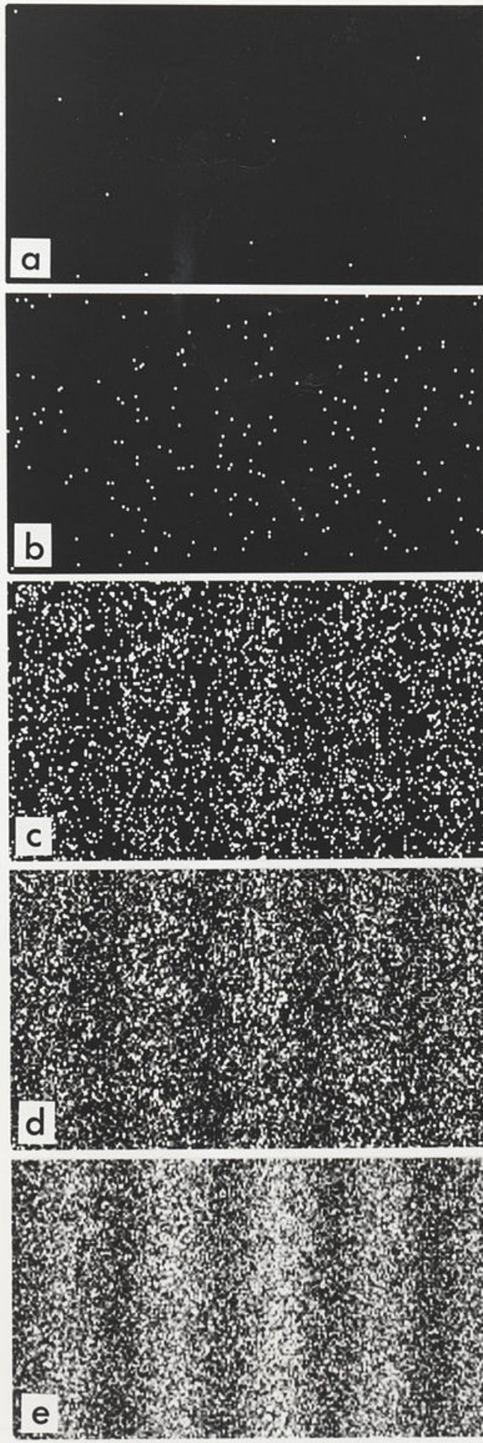

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See derivation and asymptotic version here

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Usual AMS formula

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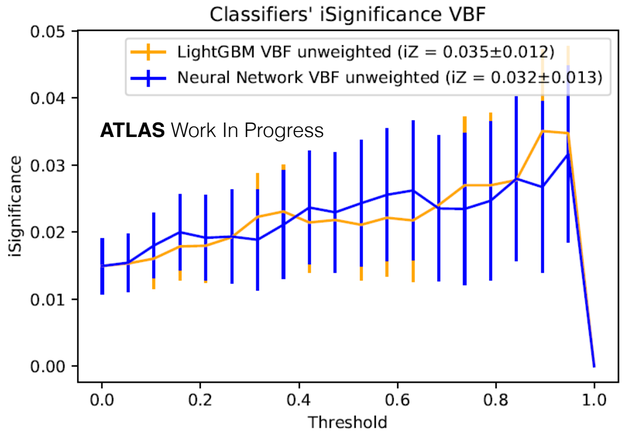
Find the Best Classification Task to Improve μ Sensitivity



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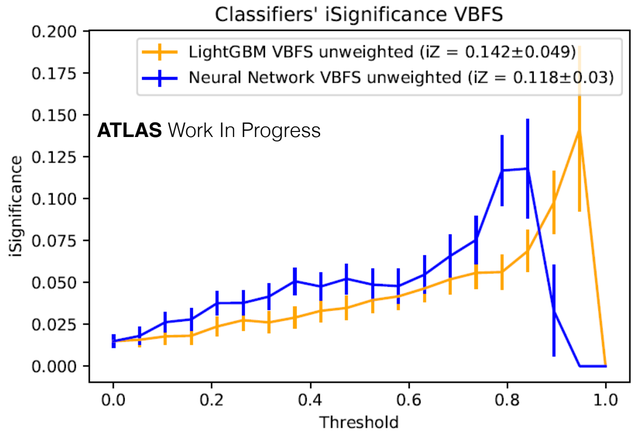

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Significance with interference:

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B: VBS, B_gg_qq alias B2: gg+qq

$$\frac{\Delta iZ}{iZ} = \left|\frac{\Delta S + \Delta B}{S + SBI - B}\right| + \left|\frac{\Delta B2}{2 \times (SBI + B2)}\right| + \Delta SBI \left|\frac{1}{S + SBI - B} - \frac{1}{2 \times (SBI + B2)}\right|$$

Second approach is better for iZ consistently,
but is this the best we can do?

Likelihood Ratio Trick no longer applicable to guarantee optimality
Can we go beyond classification?

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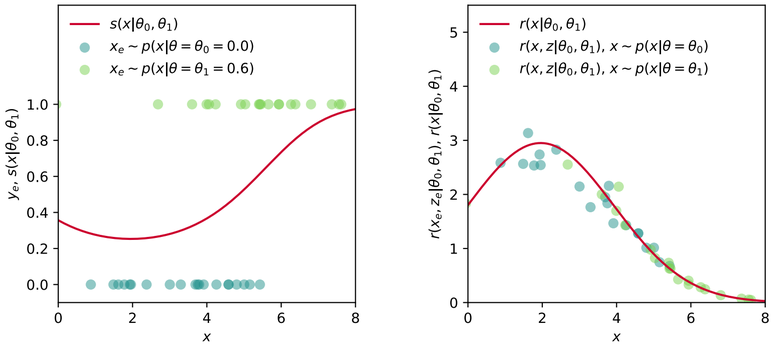

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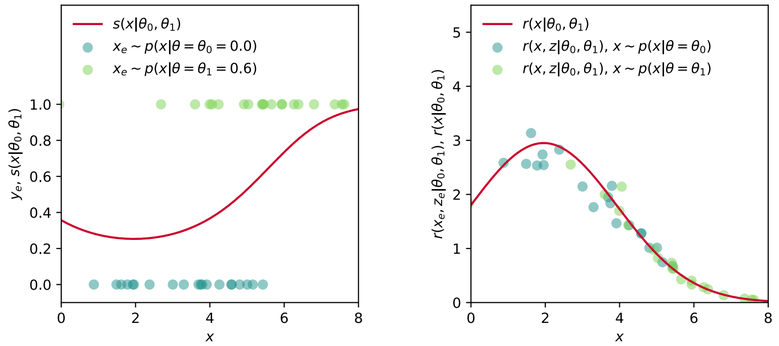

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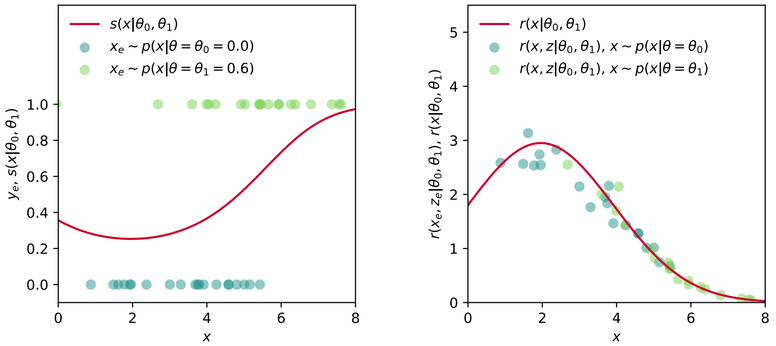

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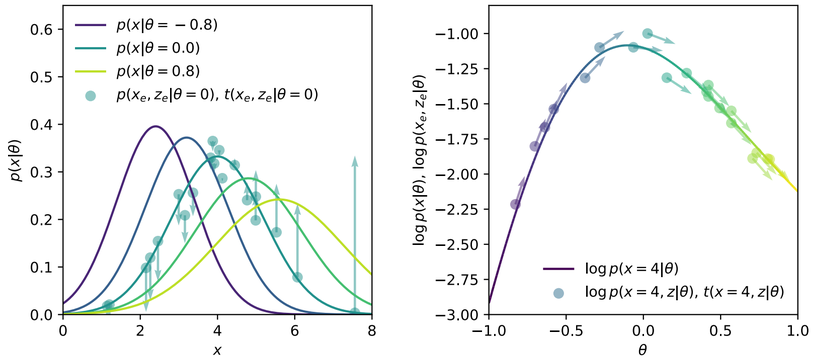

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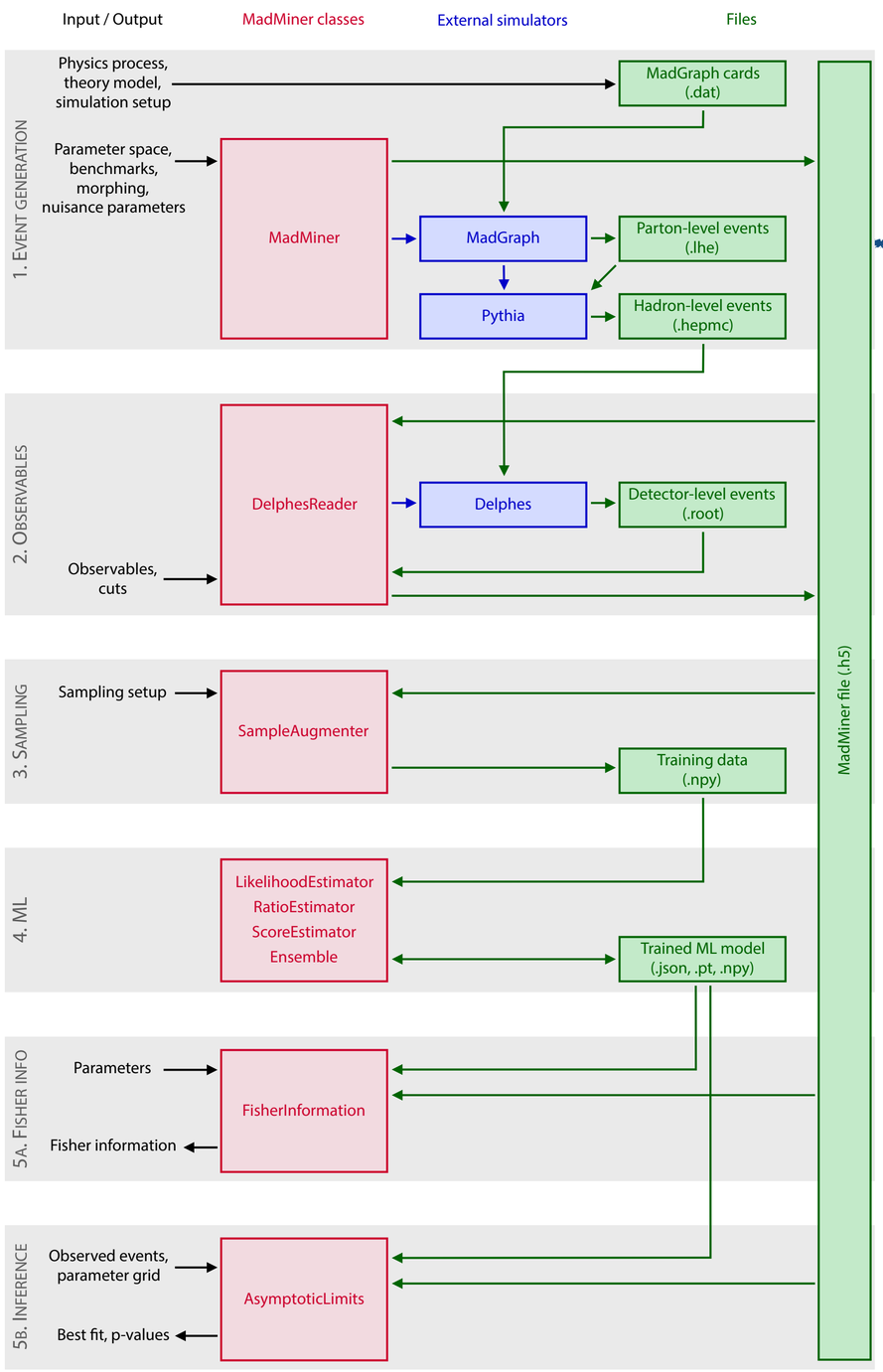
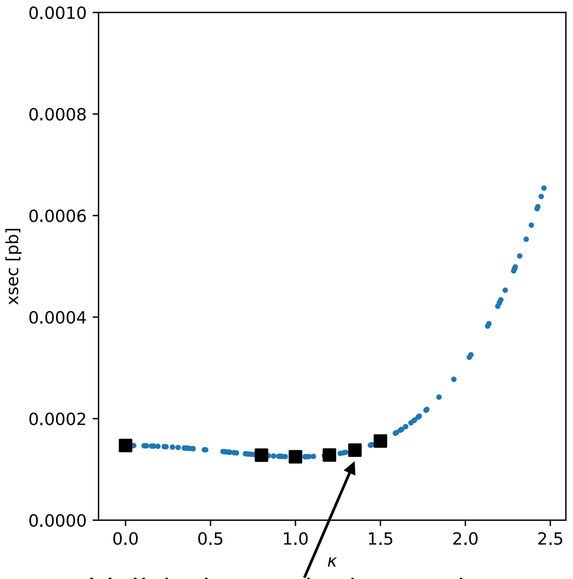


Figure 1. Schematical workflow, with classes in red, external simulations in blue, and files in green.

Madminer package wraps around Madgraph, Pythia, Delphes, to simplify ‘mining gold’, all the way to inference:

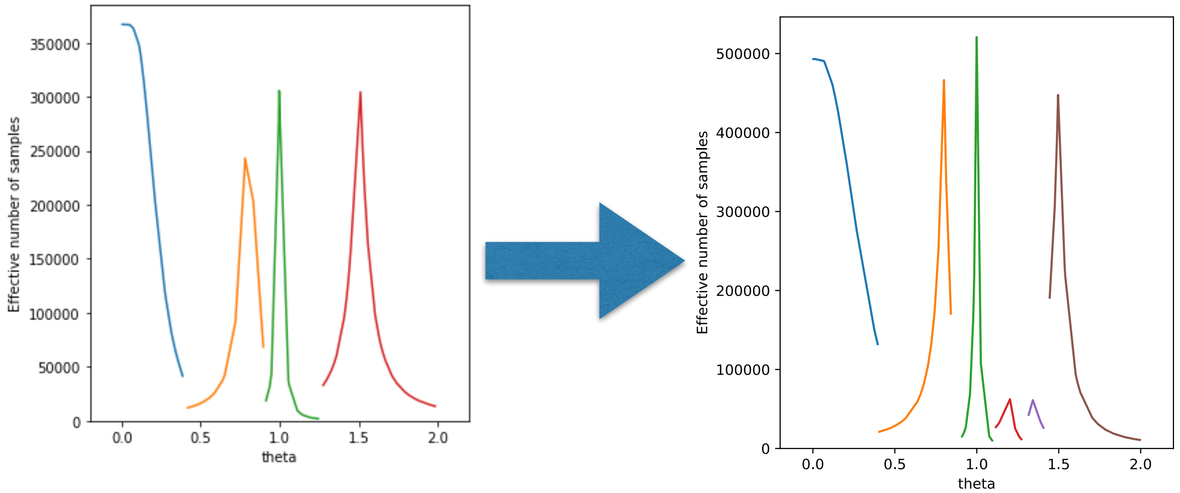
- Simulates events in Madgraph at fixed values of a theory parameter
- Re-weights each event to other benchmark theory parameter points
- Does event-wise ‘morphing’ to allow having training/test events at **any value of the parameter point**
- **Calculates** the targets to regress, **joint score, joint likelihood ratio**, which will allow for **data augmented training**
- Defines various PyTorch models with losses based on the likelihood ratio and augmented data
- Allows simple asymptotic limits on Asimov datasets (for more involved statistics, need to integrate with pyhf)

Trouble with morphing near SM



Validation at independent point 1.35

κ^4 = μ (To scale H signal strength by μ scale HVV couplings by κ^4)



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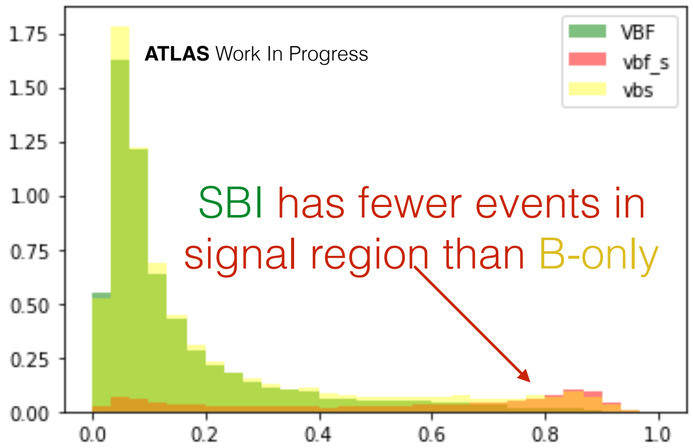
Classifier trained on S vs B



N_effective rapidly falls as we try to morph events from one point to another near the SM (mu=1)
The physics changes too fast, probably because there is almost maximal interference near SM, so very few ‘signal-only like’ events to morph

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Marginalise z by minimising L

$$t(x, z|\theta) \equiv \nabla_\theta \log p(x, z|\theta) = \frac{p(x|z_d)\, p(z_d|z_s)\, p(z_s|z_p)\, \nabla_\theta p(z_p|\theta)}{p(x|z_d)\, p(z_d|z_s)\, p(z_s|z_p)\, p(z_p|\theta)} = \frac{\nabla_\theta \mathrm{d}\sigma(z_p|\theta)}{\mathrm{d}\sigma(z_p|\theta)} - \frac{\nabla_\theta \sigma(\theta)}{\sigma(\theta)}\,.$$

z are latent variables / intermediate information like Parton-level four-momenta, Parton shower trajectories, Detector interactions

$$L_t = \mathbb{E}_{p(x,z|\theta_0)} \left[\left(t(x, z|\theta_0) - \hat{t}(x|\theta_0) \right)^2 \right]$$

θ_0, θ_1 are 2 alternative values of the theory parameter being measured (like μ = 5 vs μ = 1)

which is minimized by $t^*(x) = \mathbb{E}_{p(z|x,\theta_0)} \left[t(x, z|\theta_0) \right] = t(x|\theta_0).$

it tells you how the weights of an events will be affected for a small change in θ near θ_0

$$r(x|\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{p(x|\theta_0)}{p(x|\theta_1)} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad L_r = \mathbb{E}_{p(x,z|\theta_1)} \left[\left(r(x, z|\theta_0, \theta_1) - \hat{r}(x) \right)^2 \right]$$

We have that from distribution of events from the simulator

We calculate this additional information (based on ME) after the event generation & re-weighting to other theory points with Madminer

Output of the network

Under the hood: Data Augmentation and Loss Functions

Data Augmentation:

```
augmented_data = []
for definition in augmented_data_definitions:
    if definition[0] == "ratio":
        _, i_num, i_den = definition
        ratio = (weights[i_num] / xsecs[i_num]) / (weights[i_den] / xsecs[i_den])
        ratio = ratio.reshape((-1, 1))  # (n_samples, 1)
        augmented_data.append(ratio)
    elif definition[0] == "score":
        _, i = definition
        score = weight_gradients[i, :, :] / weights[i, np.newaxis, :]  # (n_gradients, n_samples)
        score = score - xsec_gradients[i, :, np.newaxis] / xsecs[i, np.newaxis, np.newaxis]
        score = score.T  # (n_samples, n_gradients)
        augmented_data.append(score)
    else:
        raise ValueError("Unknown augmented data type {}".format(definition[0]))
```

Sally Loss:

```
def local_score_mse(t_hat, t_true):
    return MSELoss()(t_hat, t_true)
```

Alices Losses:

```
def ratio_augmented_xe(s_hat, log_r_hat, t0_hat, t1_hat, y_true, r_true, t0_true, t1_true):
    s_hat = 1.0 / (1.0 + torch.exp(log_r_hat))
    s_true = 1.0 / (1.0 + r_true)

    return BCELoss()(s_hat, s_true)

def ratio_score_mse_num(s_hat, log_r_hat, t0_hat, t1_hat, y_true, r_true, t0_true, t1_true):
    return MSELoss()((1.0 - y_true) * t0_hat, (1.0 - y_true) * t0_true)
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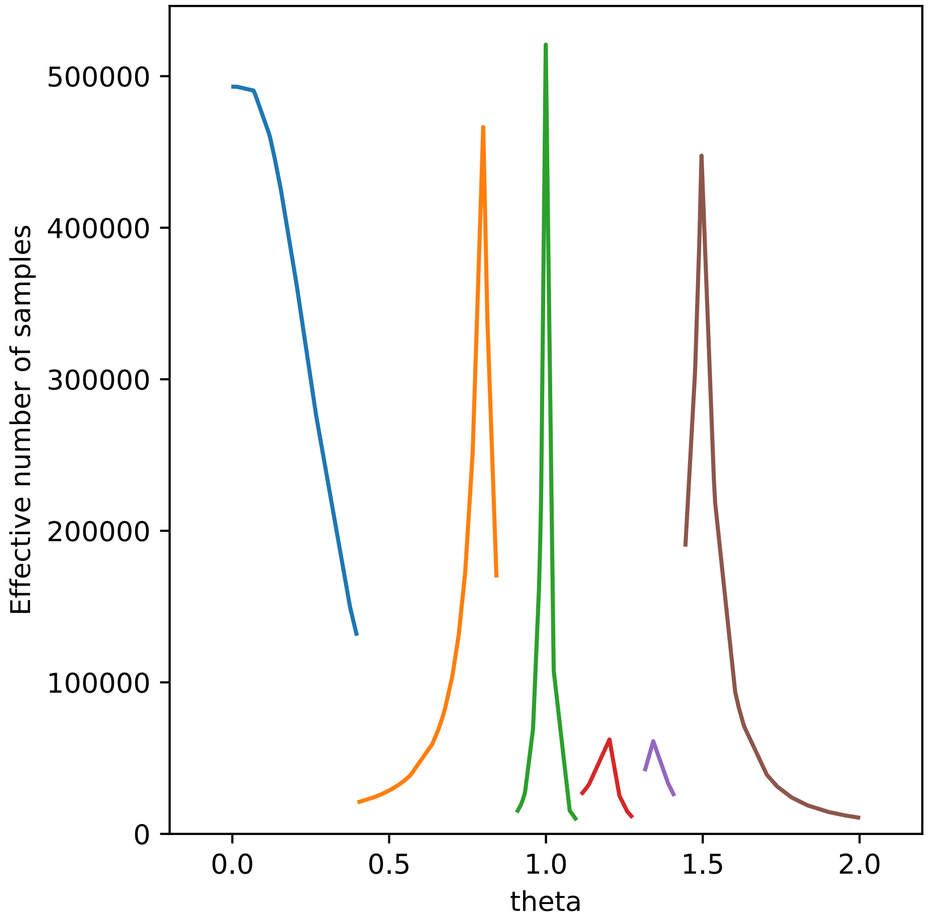
y_true means theta0 vs theta1, not signal vs background

Morphing for Gold



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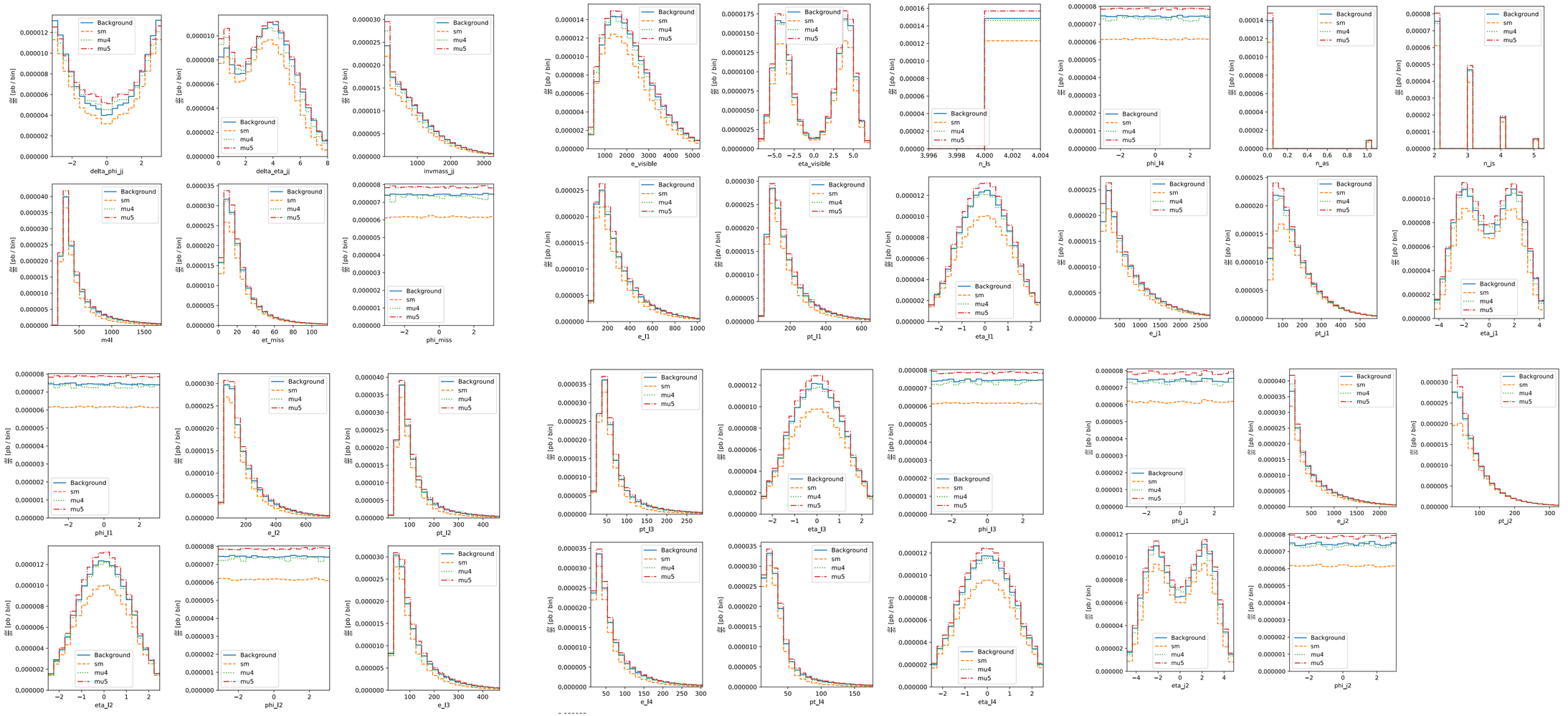
- How much more likely would this event be if the true value of mu was 2 instead of 1?: Matrix Element Re-Weighting
- 5 benchmarks is enough to fit a 4-polynomial
- From the polynomial you now have gradients for score t

To make training easier, an unweighting is done by allowing to sample with replacement

Distribution of Features Used



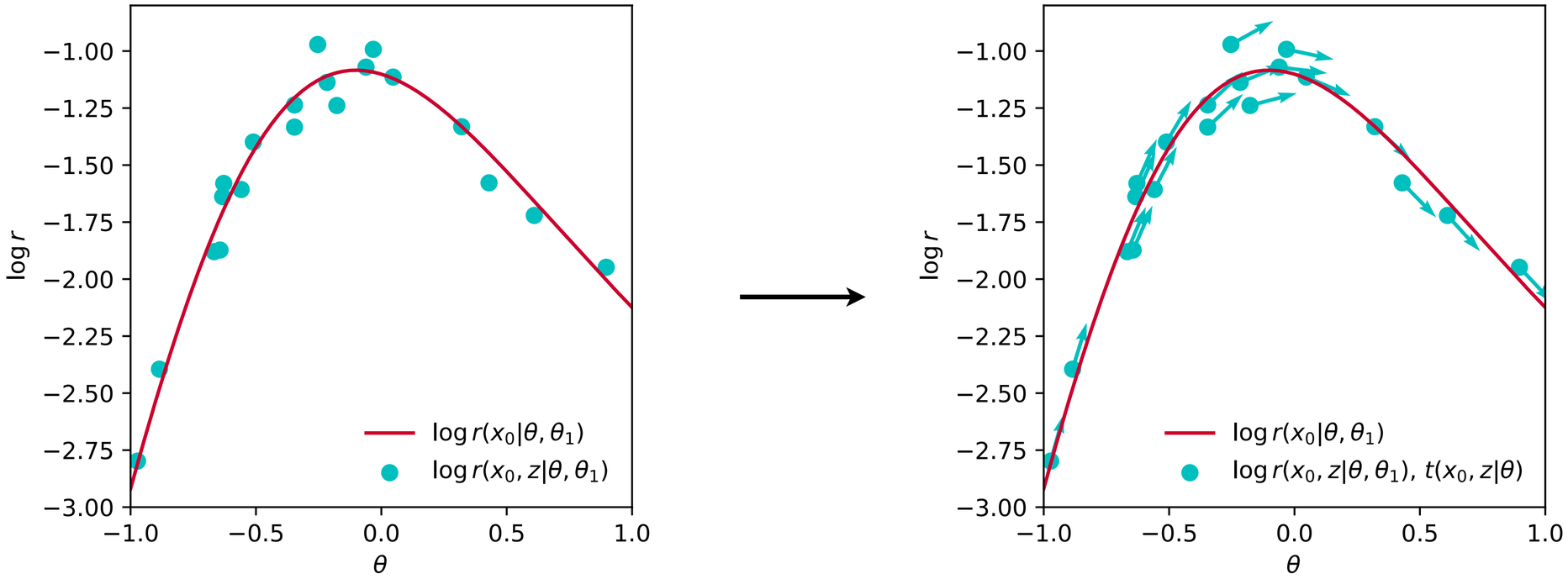
4 vector of 4l, 2j, dijet variables, n_jets, n_leptons, variables for visible & missing

Permutation Importance developed for Physicists

- “Permutation Importance” I mentioned in my last talk at h4l got noticed but using it correctly can be tricky; ELI5 package silently ignores weights, can use wrong default metric irrelevant to particle physics
- Now available: a pip installable PI package for particle physics (https://github.com/aghoshpub/permutationImportancePhysics) with predefined metrics (AUC that handles negative weights, Significance of discovery) with a simple tutorial to get started
    - I will soon get parallelisation support for speed up (but already faster than ELI5 implementation)

One more piece: the score

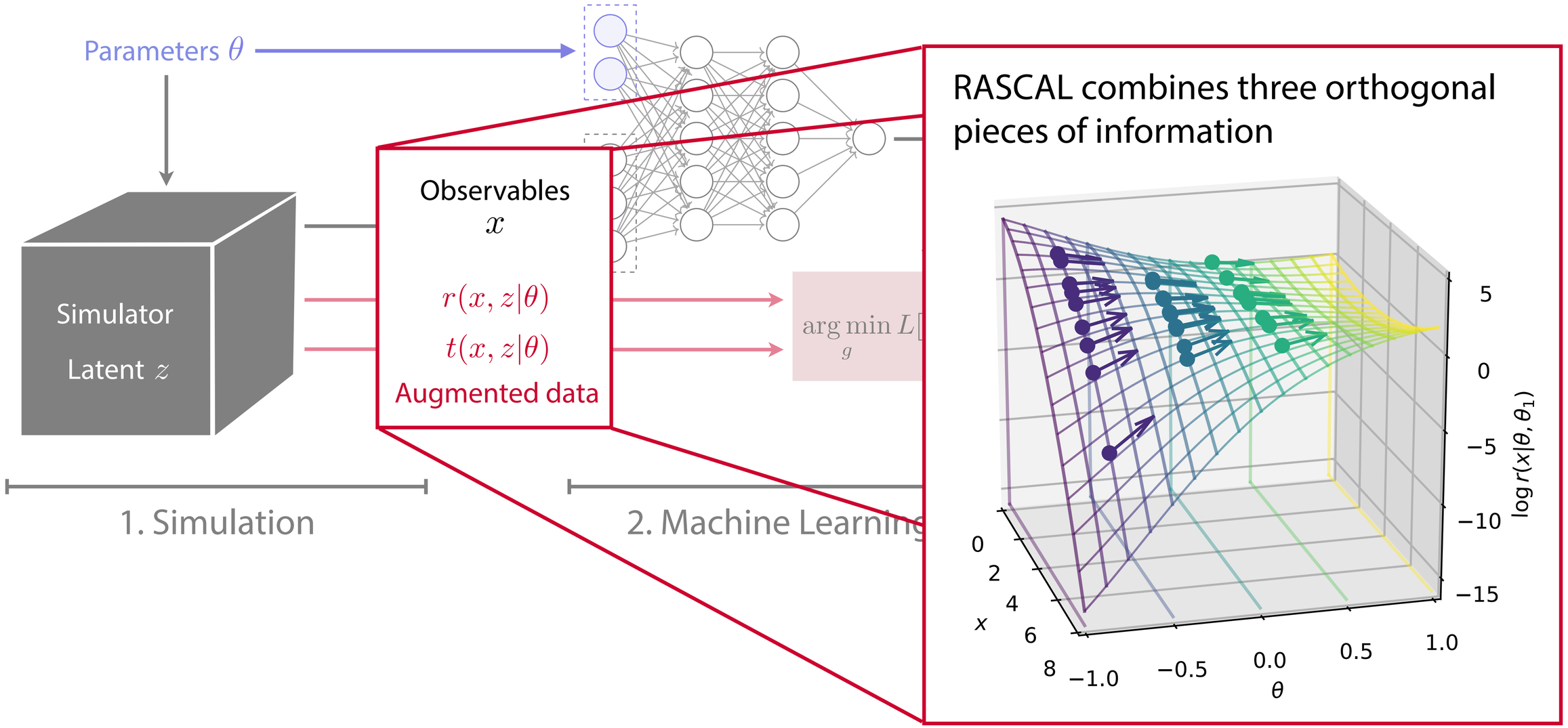
- Knowing derivative often helps fitting:



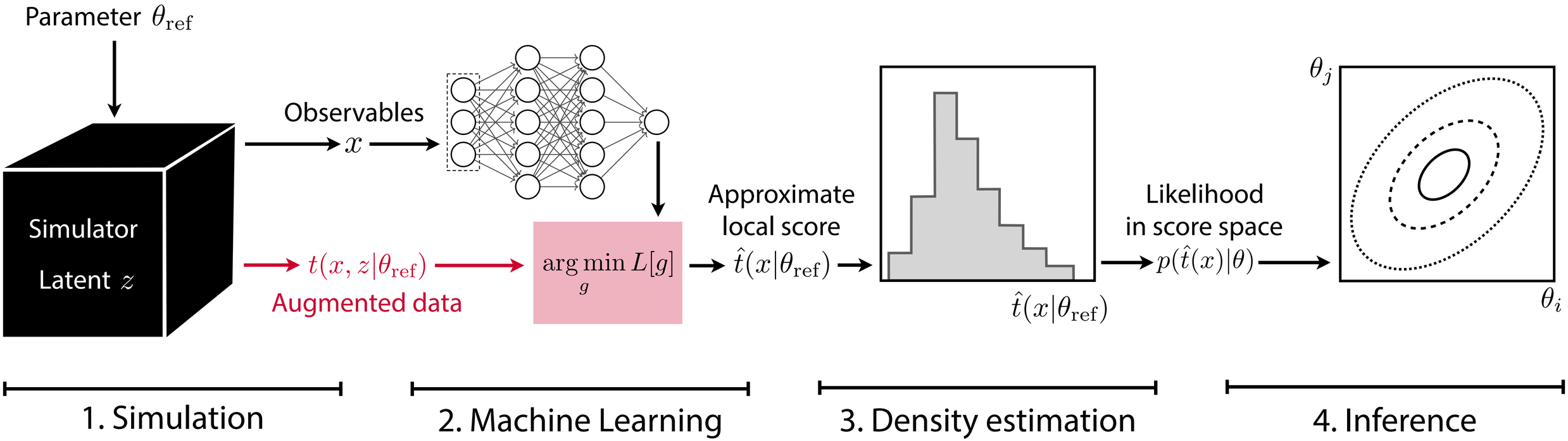
- In our case, the relevant quantity is the score $t(x|\theta_0) \equiv \nabla_\theta \log p(x|\theta)\Big|_{\theta_0}$.

  - The score itself is intractable. But…

Putting the pieces together: RASCAL (Ratio and score approximate likelihood ratio)



SALLY (Score approximates likelihood locally)



"The machine learning version of Optimal Observables":

- Simpler & more robust than RASCAL
- Just as powerful close to $\theta_{\rm ref}$, but can lead to suboptimal limits further away

- Don’t blindly trust the neural network?
  - Many diagnostic cross checks
  - Calibration / Neyman construction: badly trained network can lead to suboptimal limits, but not to wrong limits
- Applications beyond particle physics

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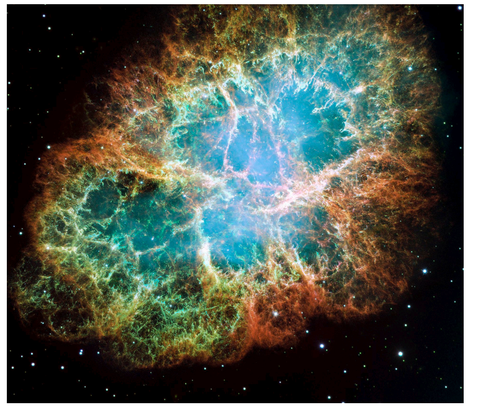
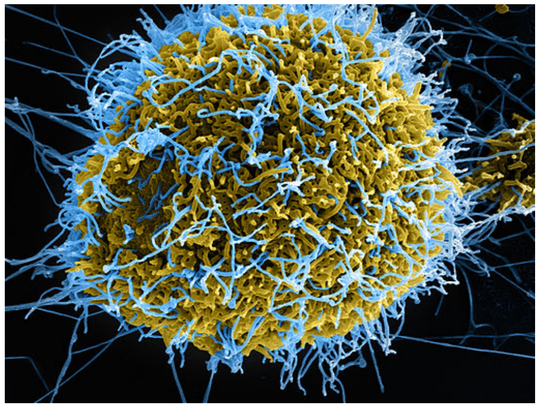




Extracting the joint likelihood ratio from any simulation

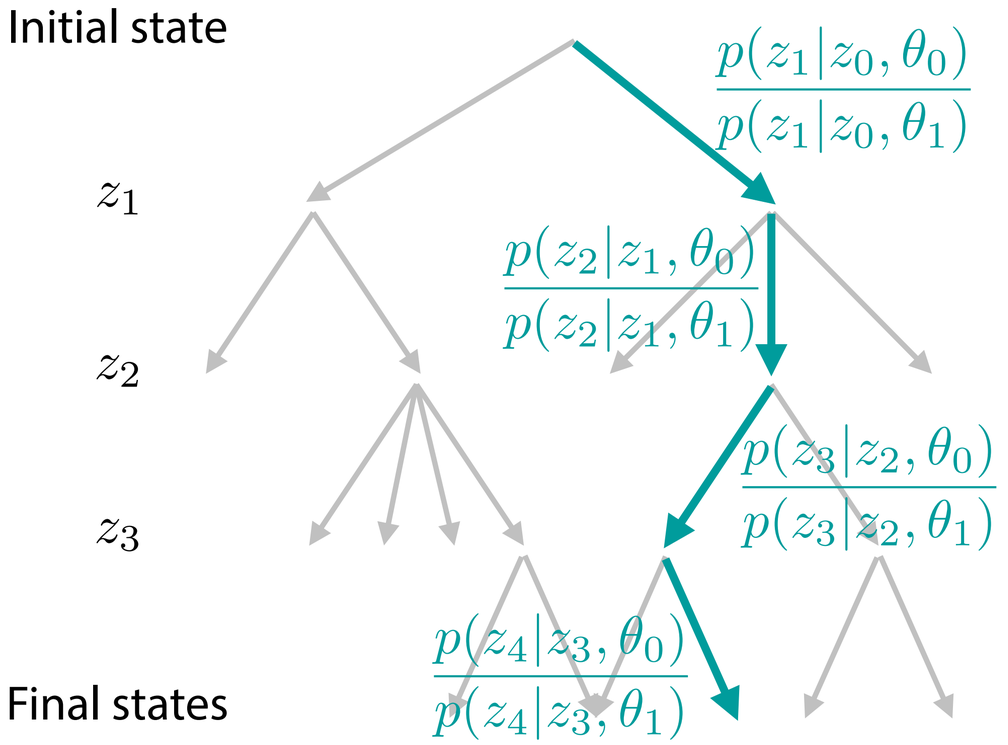
- Computer simulation typically evolve along a tree-like structure of successive random branchings

- The probabilities of each branching $p_i(z_i|z_{i-1},\theta)$ are often clearly defined in the code:

```
if random() > 0.1 + 2.5 * model_parameter:
    do_one_thing()
else:
    do_another_thing()
```

- For each run of the simulator, we can calculate the probability of the chosen path for different values of the parameters, and the "joint likelihood ratio":

$$r(x,z|\theta_0,\theta_1) = \frac{p(x,z|\theta_0)}{p(x,z|\theta_1)} = \prod_i \frac{p(z_i|z_{i-1},\theta_0)}{p(z_i|z_{i-1},\theta_1)}$$



Variational calculus

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\begin{aligned}
L[\hat{g}(x)] &= \int \mathrm{d}x\, \mathrm{d}z\; p(x,z|\theta)\; |g(x,z) - \hat{g}(x)|^2 \\
&= \int \mathrm{d}x\; \underbrace{\left[\hat{g}^2(x) \int \mathrm{d}z\; p(x,z|\theta) - 2\hat{g}(x) \int \mathrm{d}z\; p(x,z|\theta)\, g(x,z) + \int \mathrm{d}z\; p(x,z|\theta)\, g^2(x,z)\right]}_{F(x)}
\end{aligned}
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0 = \left.\frac{\delta F}{\delta \hat{g}}\right|_{g^*} = 2\hat{g} \underbrace{\int \mathrm{d}z\; p(x,z|\theta)}_{=p(x|\theta)} - 2 \int \mathrm{d}z\; p(x,z|\theta)\, g(x,z)
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g^*(x) = \frac{1}{p(x|\theta)} \int \mathrm{d}z\; p(x,z|\theta)\, g(x,z)
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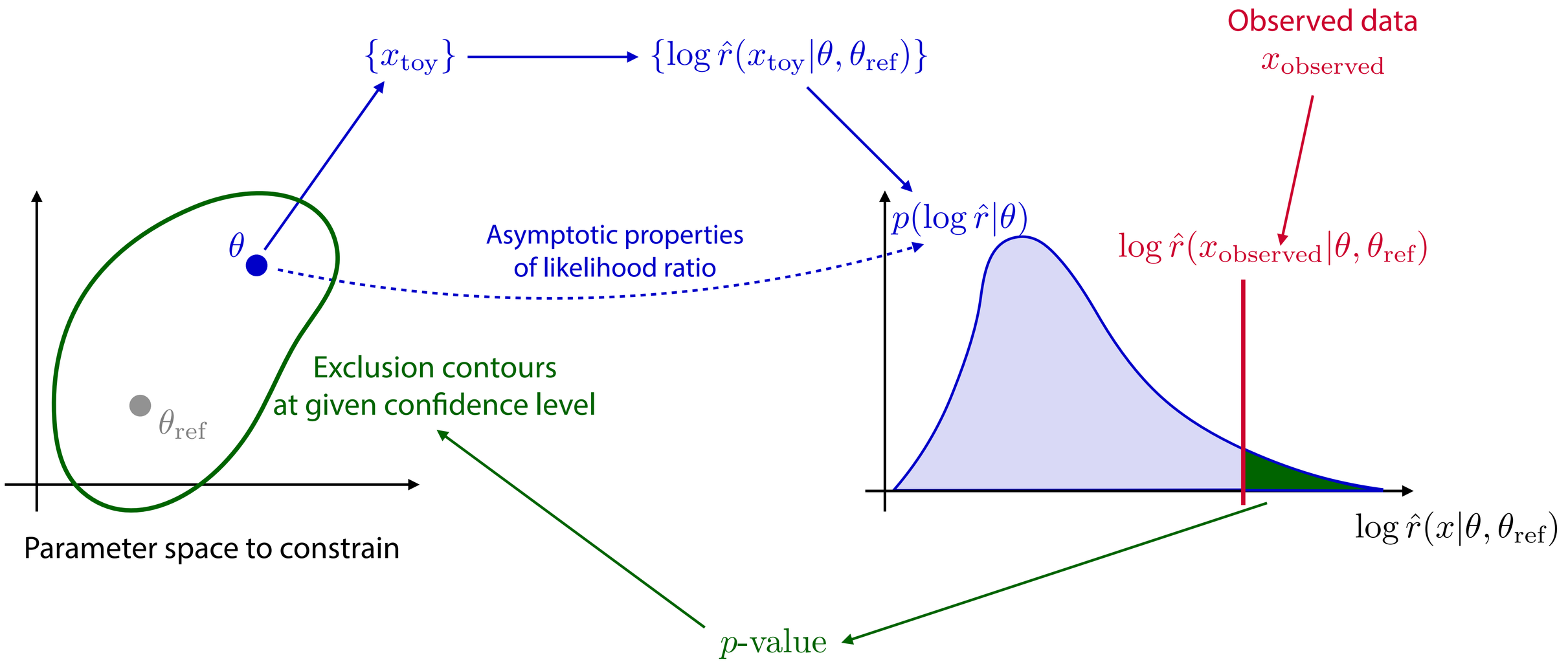
Limit setting (frequentist)



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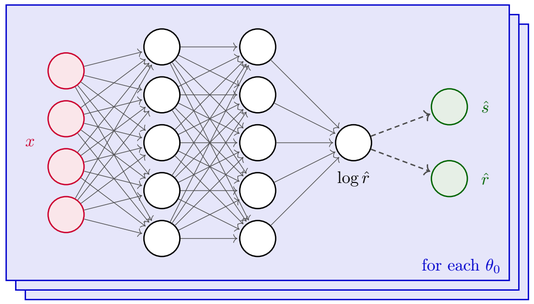
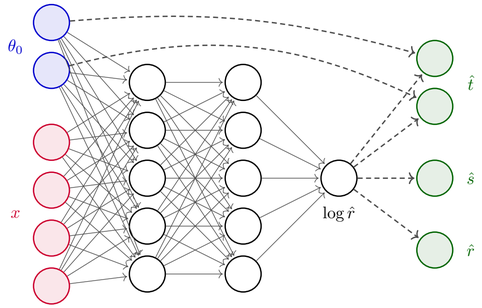
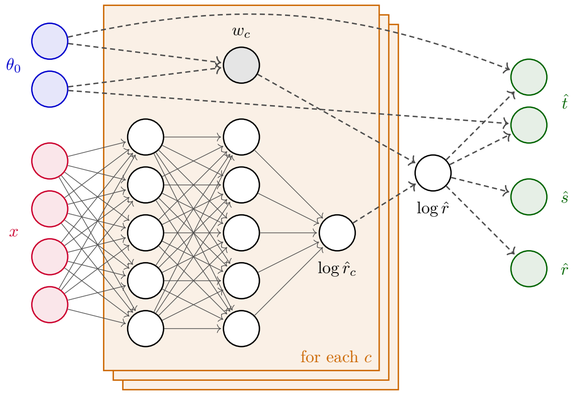
Typical Architectures







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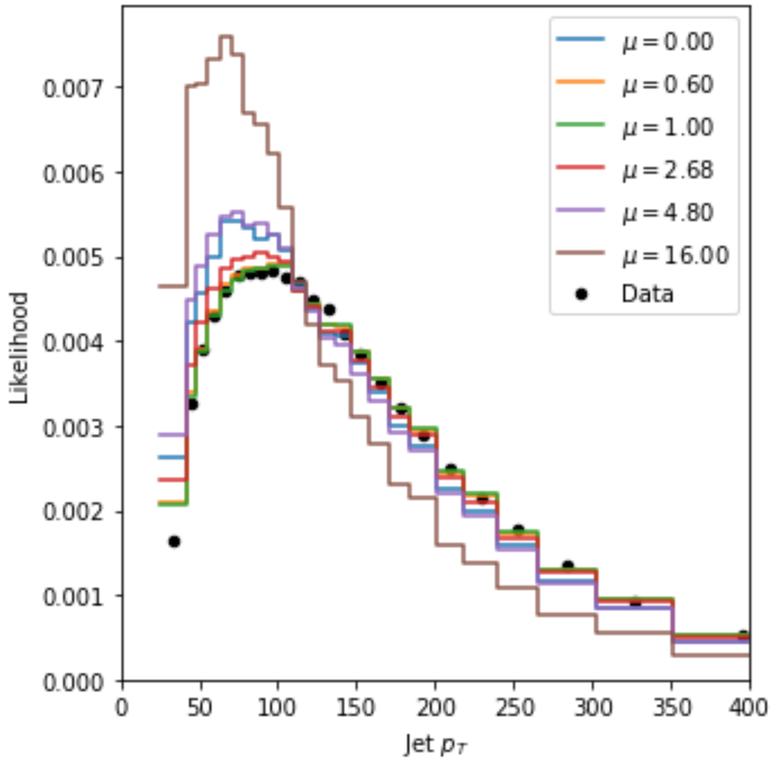

Could do better with pyhf

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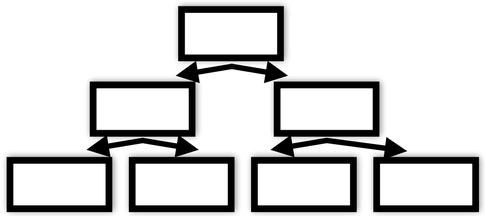

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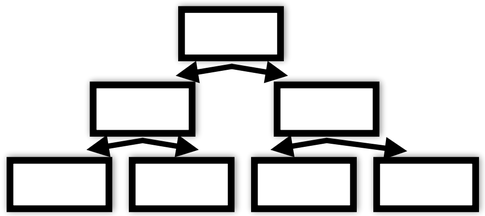

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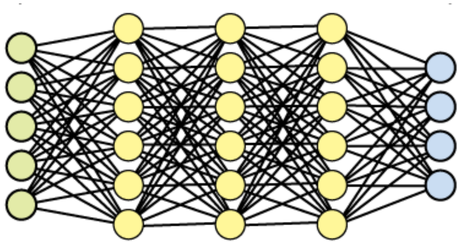

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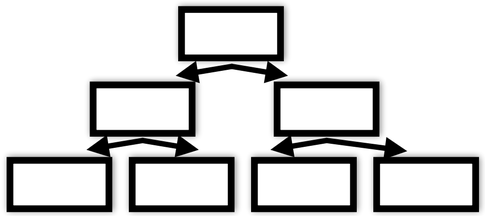

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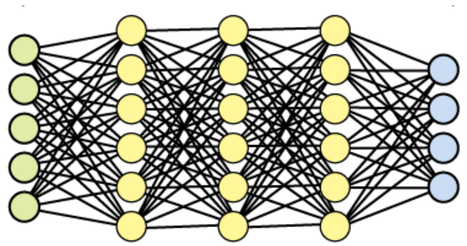

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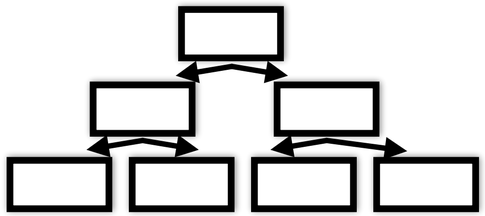

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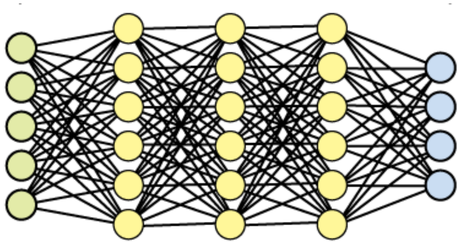

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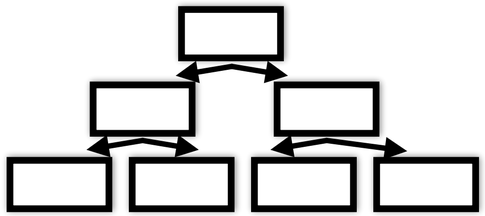

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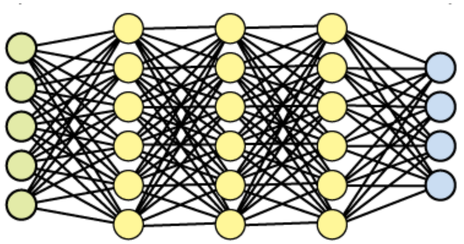

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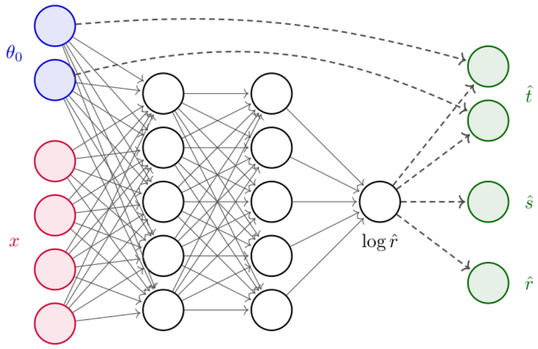

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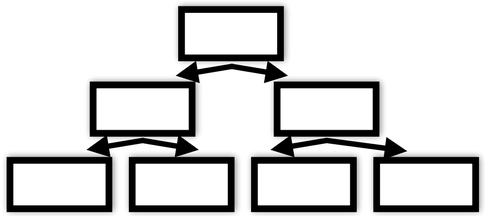

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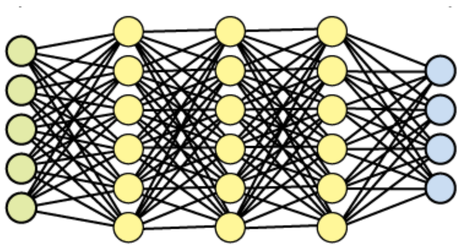

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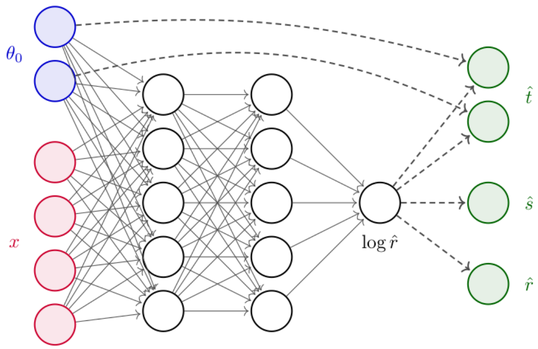

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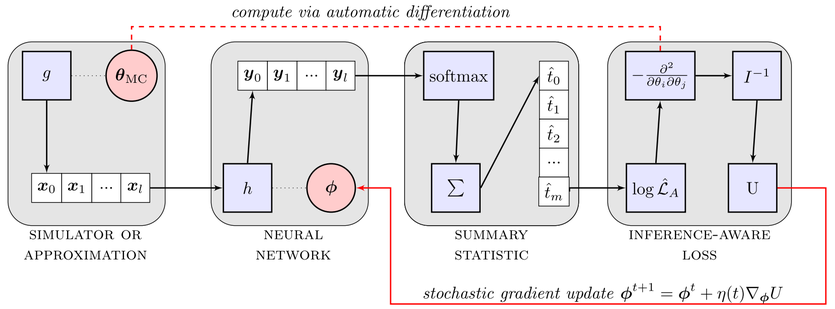

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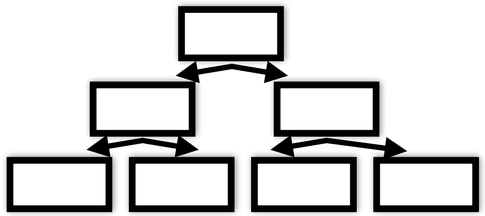

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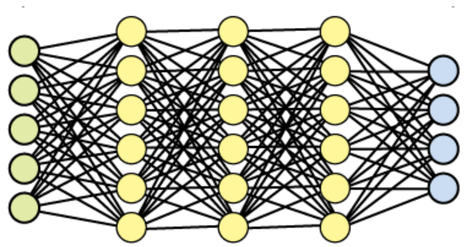

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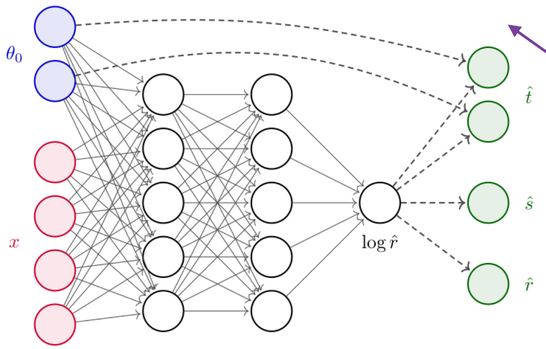

Can be trained on different values of μ, but not easy to implement in ATLAS (‘mining gold’ from simulator)

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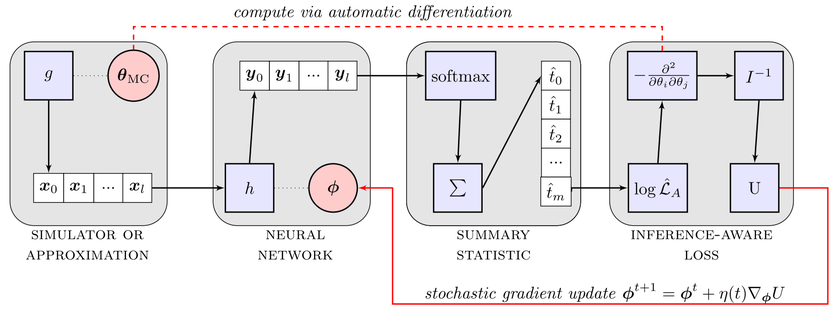

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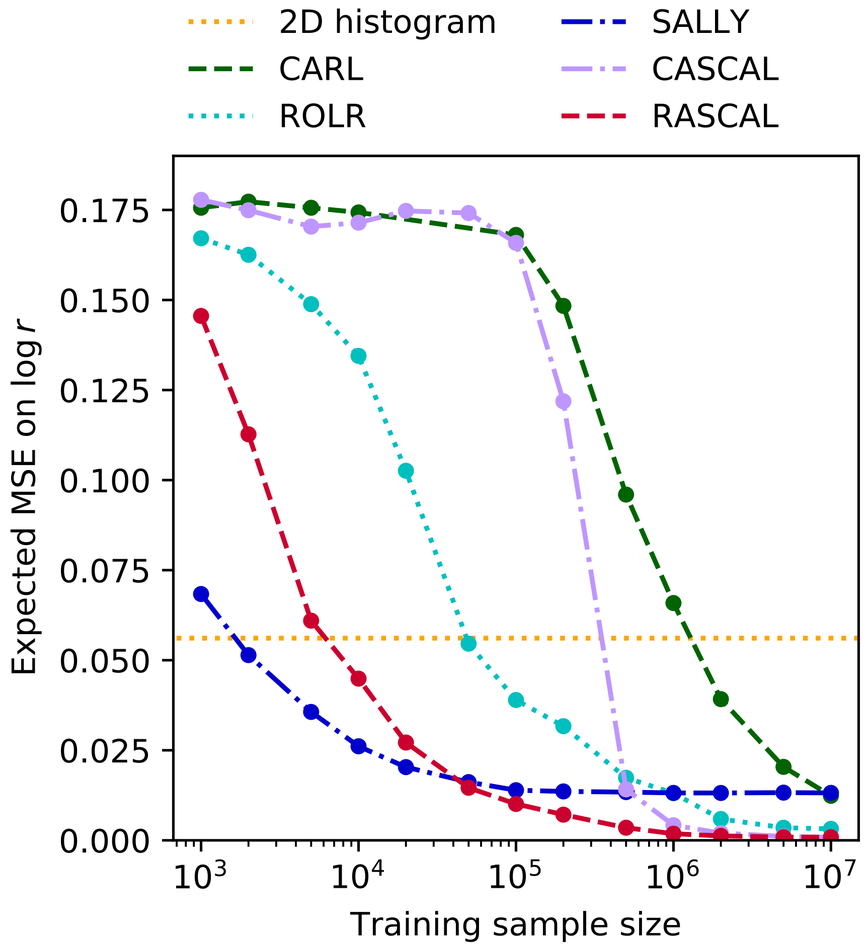

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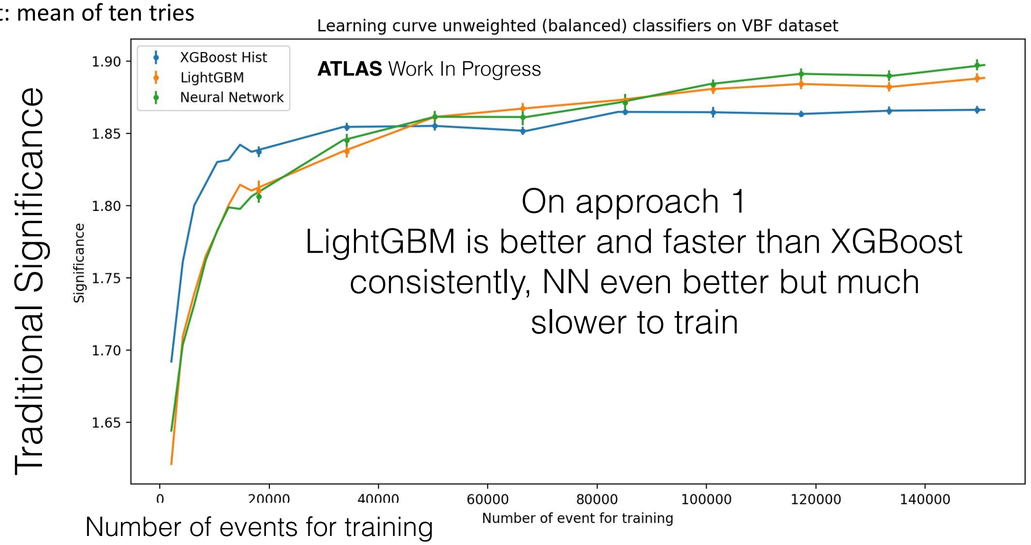
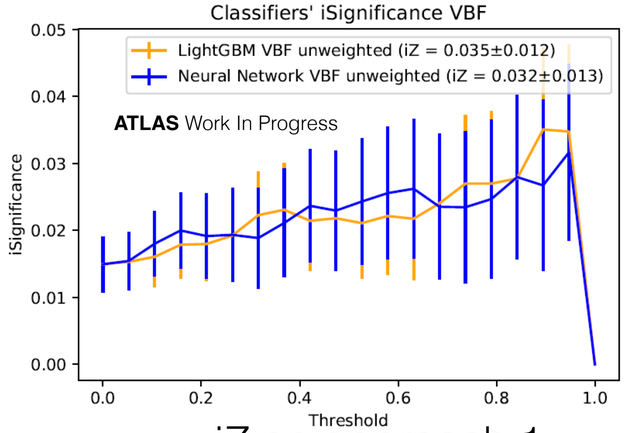
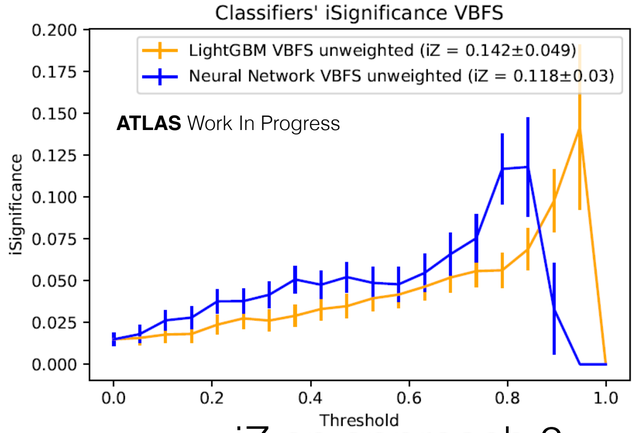
Each point: mean of ten tries



LightGBM outperform XGBoost for big datasets



iZ on approach 1



iZ on approach 2

iZ very unstable and not very reproducible compared to significance curves, highly sensitive to qqZZ negative weighted events

But approach 2 is better for iZ than approach 1 consistently

Significance with interference:

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S: VBF_s, SBI:VBF

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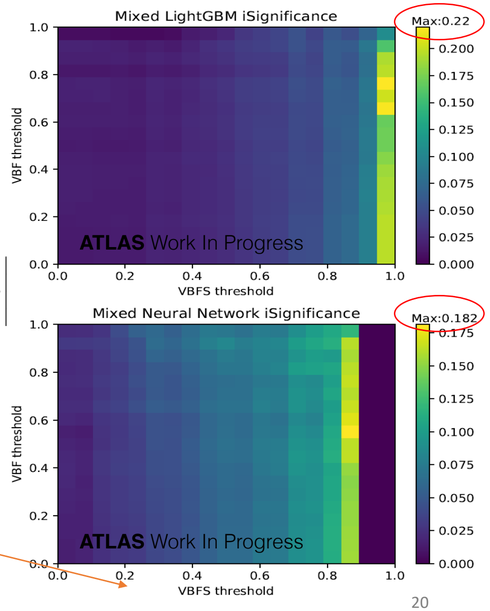

- LightGBM trained on VBF_s dataset: iZ: 0.197, itreshold: 0.947
- LightGBM trained on VBF dataset: iZ: 0.021, itreshold: 0.895
  2 Dimensions: iZ 0.220
- NN trained on VBF_s dataset: iZ: 0.155, itreshold: 0.842
- NN trained on VBF dataset: iZ: 0.030, itreshold: 0.895
  2 Dimensions: iZ 0.182

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We also tried:

- Train 4 classifiers, multi-class classifiers, multi-label classifiers with 4 thresholds: Some improvement but much more complex
- “SM vs SM_without_Higgs”: Slightly better than approach 2
- Remove 2 jet cut: much more statistics, similar final results
- Tried directly optimising for iZ with a custom designed DT, NN with some success, but optimal only for neighbourhood of mu=1

Talked to others in ATLAS who have dealt with interference but not perfect solution for our case:

- ATLAS A->tt analysis, and Noam Tal Hod thesis for reparameterisation
- ATLAS Interference in top

Combine approach 1 and 2: Slight gain in iZ but tendency to cut too hard if we have fine binning => low statistics
Finds region with negative weighted qqZZ unless we set iZ = 0 for such regions

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Results from 1. VBF-SBI vs rest, 2. VBF-Higgs-S-Channel vs Rest (2/2)

Color: number of events

Higher value might be due to a lack of statisctics

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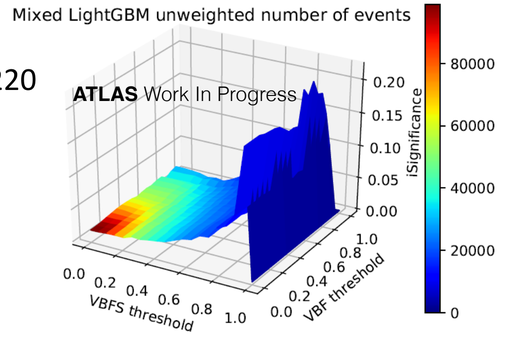

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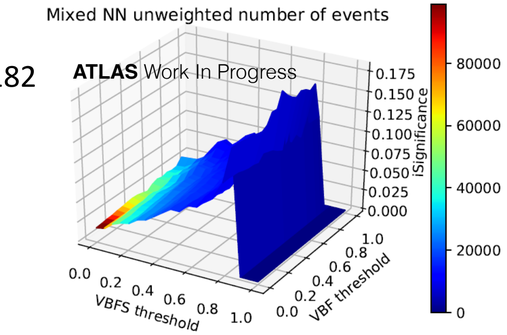

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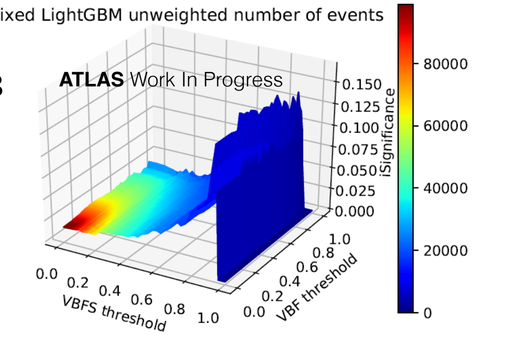

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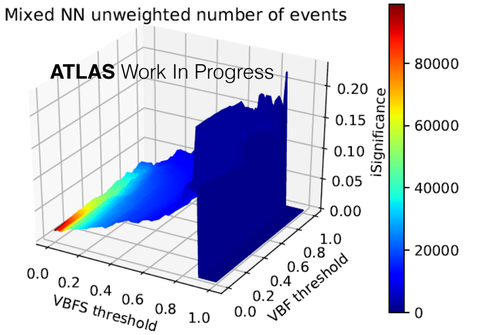

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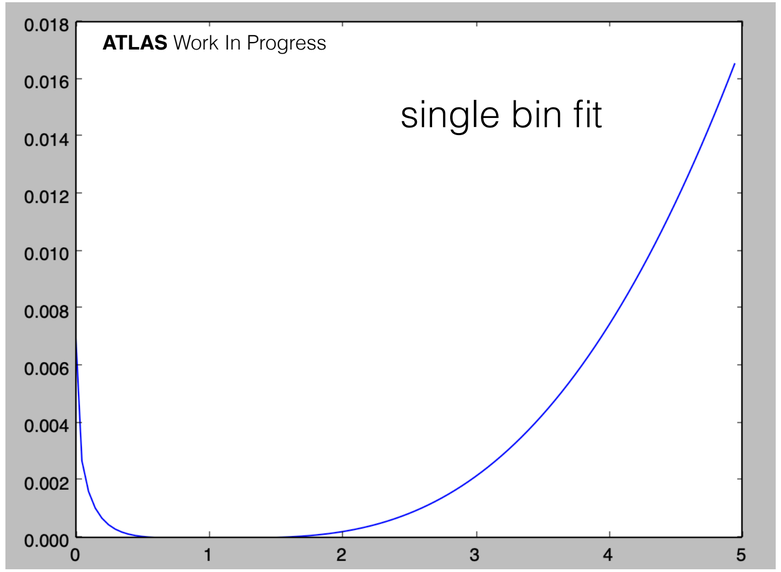

Previous Efforts in ATLAS for Interference

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https://arxiv.org/pdf/1707.06025.pdf

Not directly useful for our case: To try to improve sensitivity to Higgs Signal Strength with selections / ML