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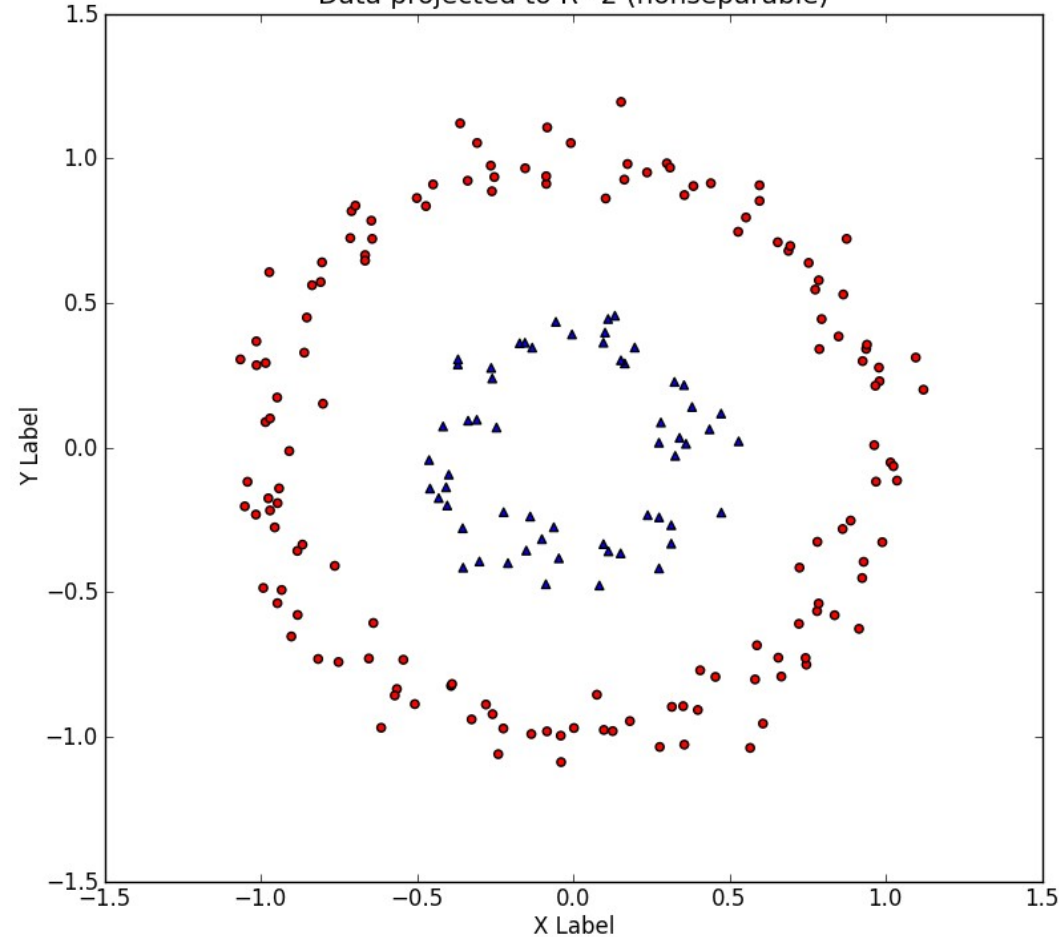
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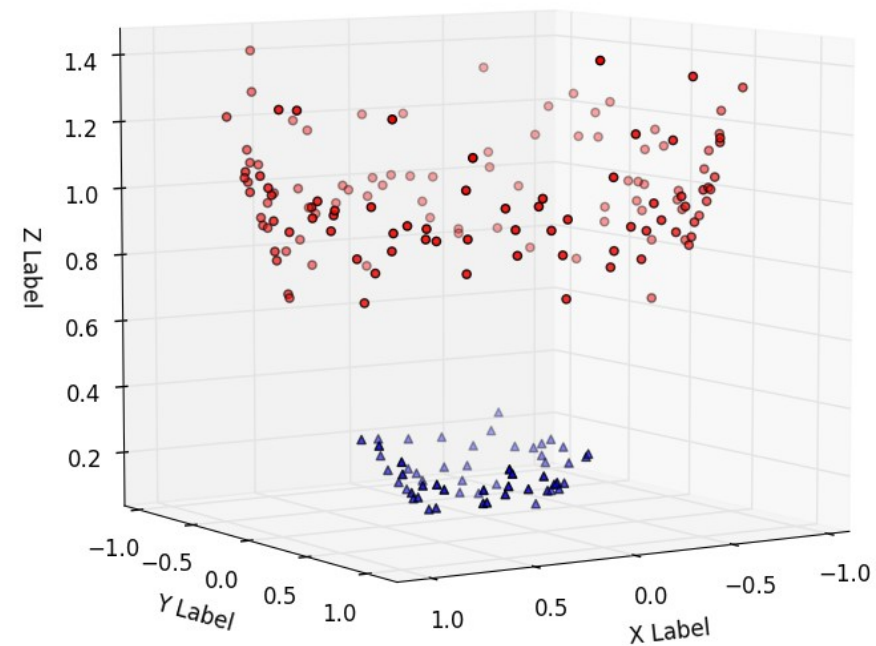
**— Stanislaw Ulam**

# Non-linear problems, SVM and the kernel trick

Data projected to  $R^2$  (nonseparable)



Data in  $R^3$  (separable)



# Kitchen Sinks

## Random Features for Large-Scale Kernel Machines

Ali Rahimi and Ben Recht

### Abstract

To accelerate the training of kernel machines, we propose to map the input data to a randomized low-dimensional feature space and then apply existing fast linear methods. Our randomized features are designed so that the inner products of the transformed data are approximately equal to those in the feature space of a user specified shift-invariant kernel. We explore two sets of random features, provide convergence bounds on their ability to approximate various radial basis kernels, and show that in large-scale classification and regression tasks linear machine learning algorithms that use these features outperform state-of-the-art large-scale kernel machines.

### Everything about the kitchen sink

To fit a kernel SVM, you normally fit a weighted sum of Radial Basis Functions to data:

$$f(x; \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i k(x, x_i)$$

We showed how to approximate each of these basis functions in turn as a sum of some random functions that did not depend on the data:

$$k(x, x') \approx \sum_{j=1}^D z(x; \omega_j) z(x'; \omega_j)$$

A linear combination of a linear combination is another linear combination, but with this new linear combination has many fewer ( $D$ ) parameters:

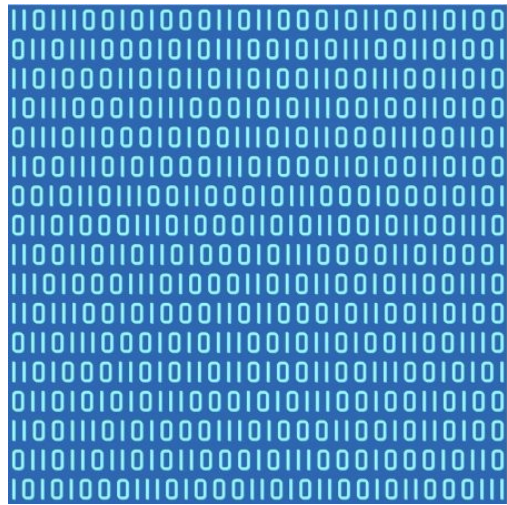
$$f(x; \alpha) \approx \sum_{j=1}^D \beta_j z(x; \omega_j)$$

We showed how to approximate a variety of radial basis functions and gave bounds for how many random functions you need to approximate them each of them well.

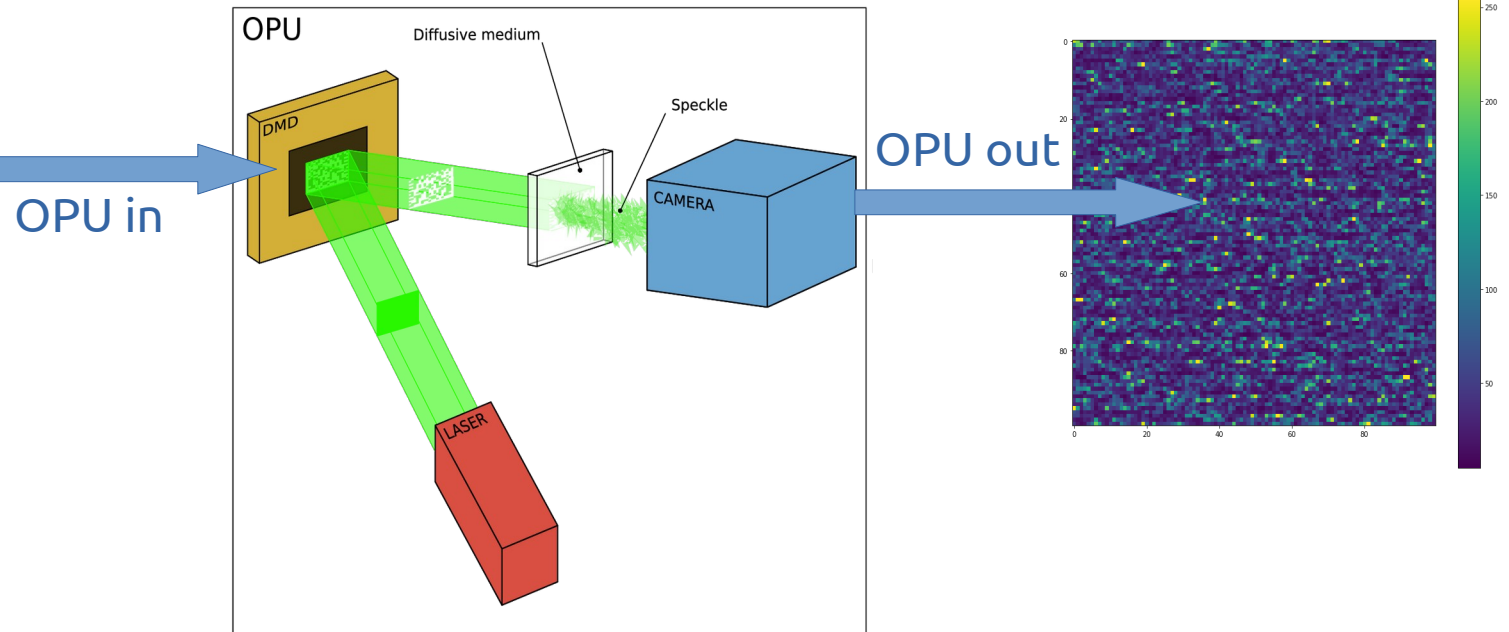
Original paper: <https://people.eecs.berkeley.edu/~brecht/papers/07.rah.rec.nips.pdf>

Popularization: <http://www.argmin.net/2017/12/05/kitchen-sinks/>

# Optical Processing Unit

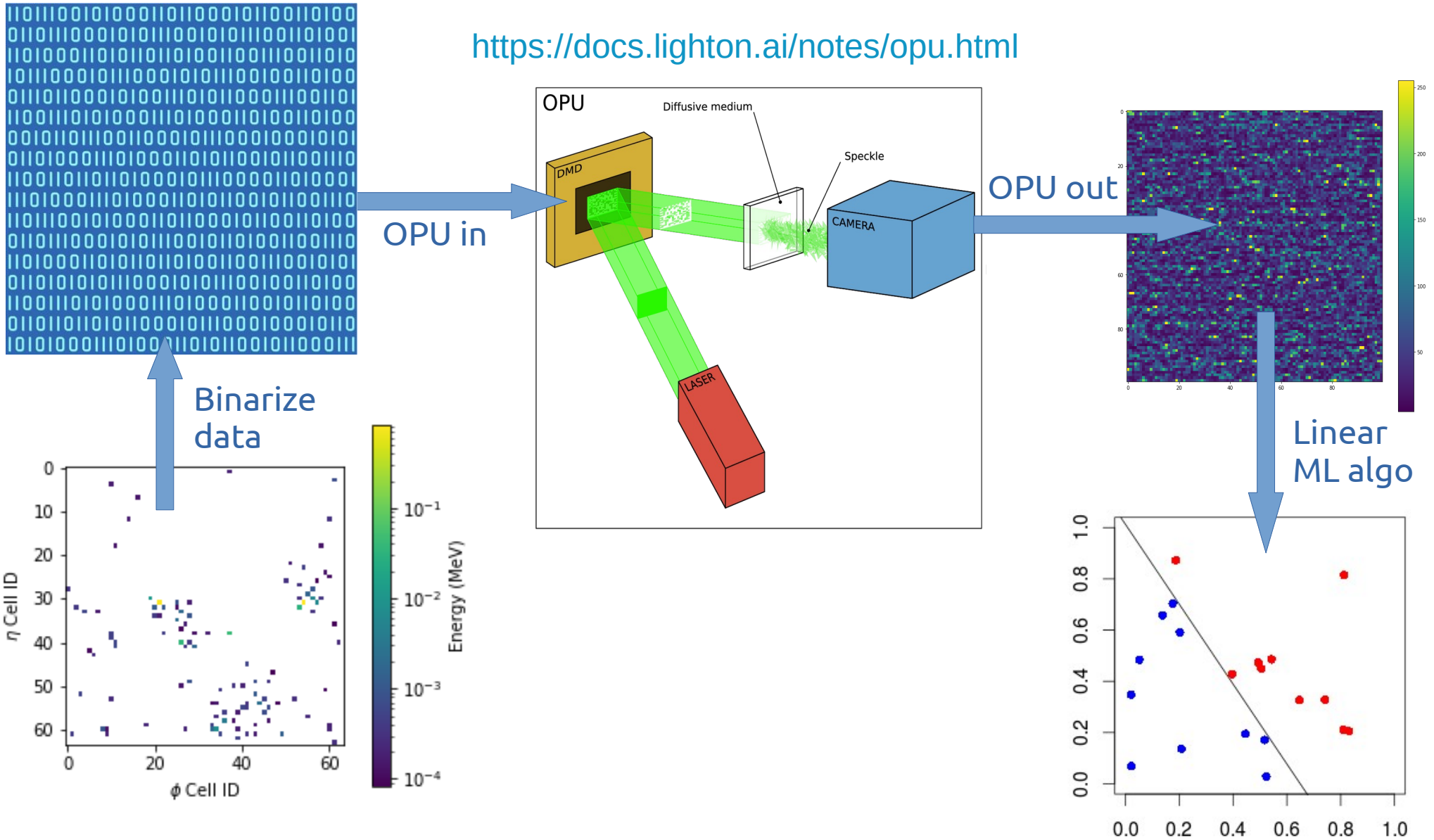


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# Optical Processing Unit ML workflow

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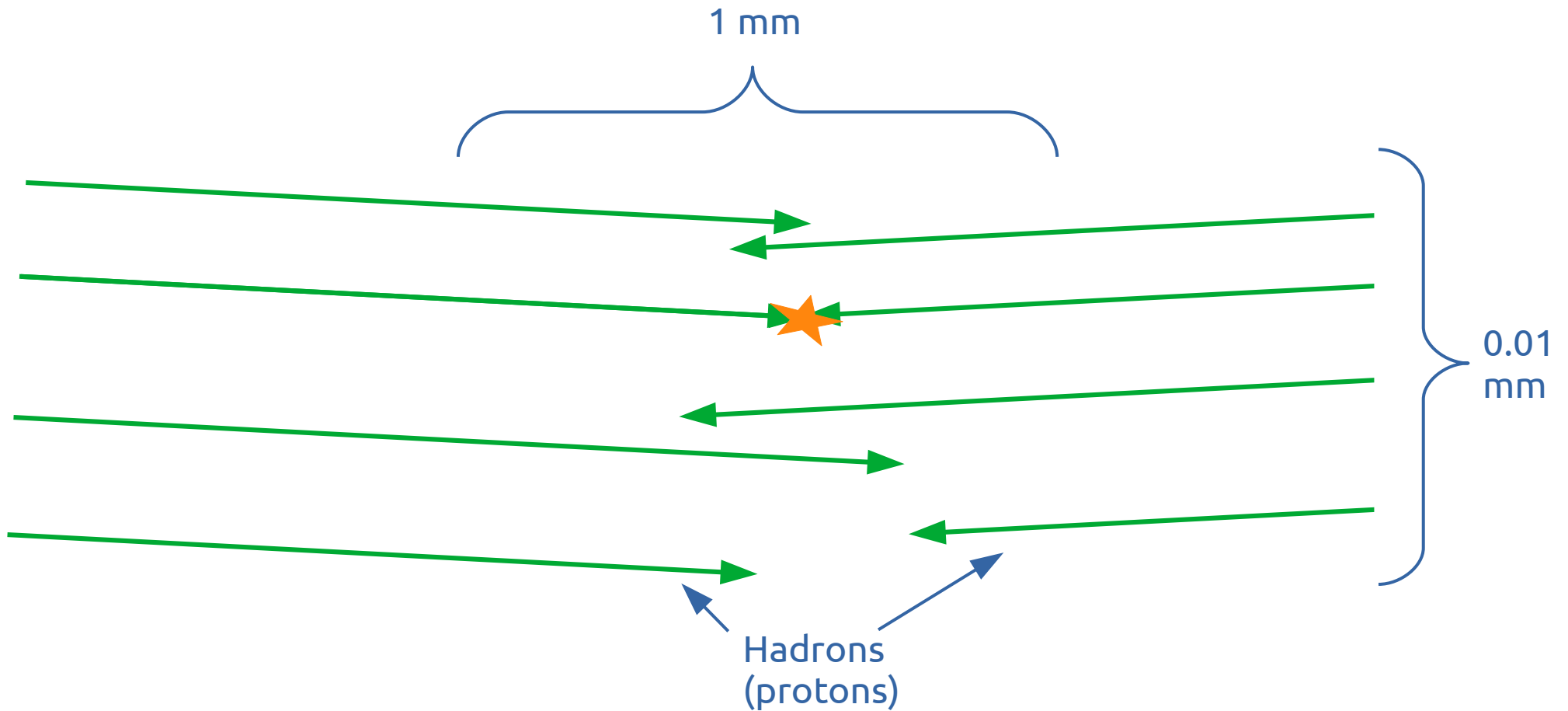


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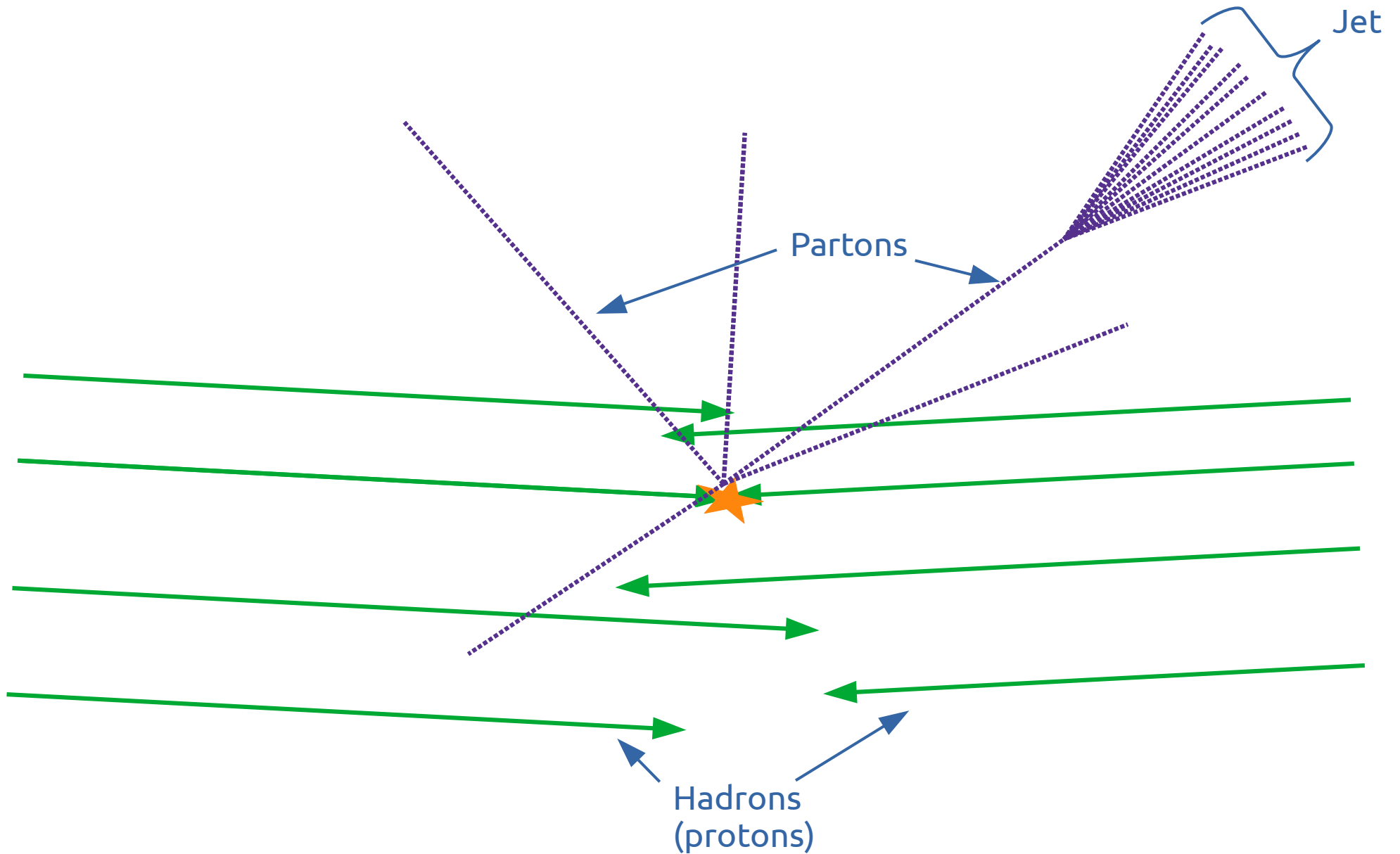
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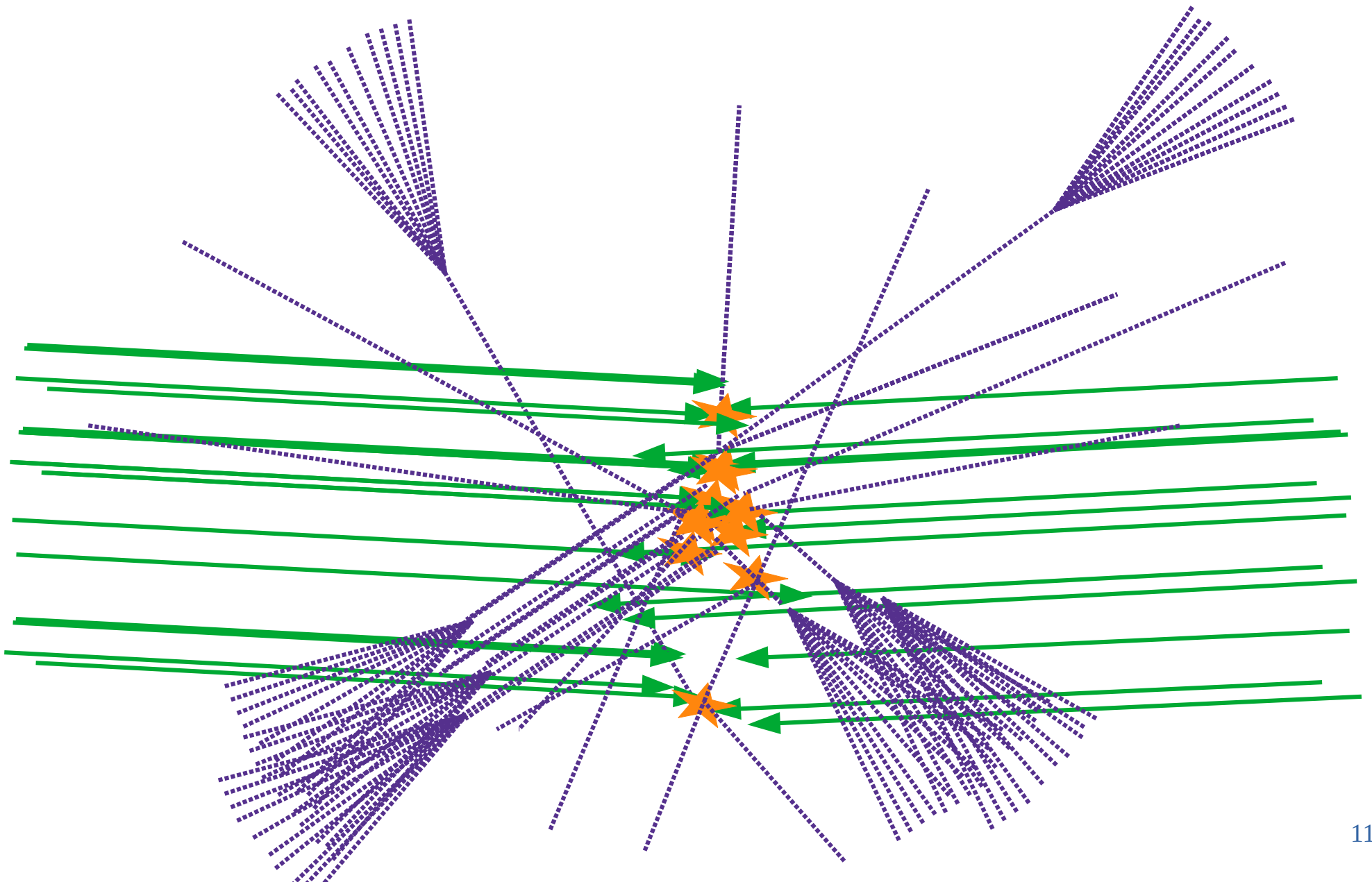
# Large Hadron Collider

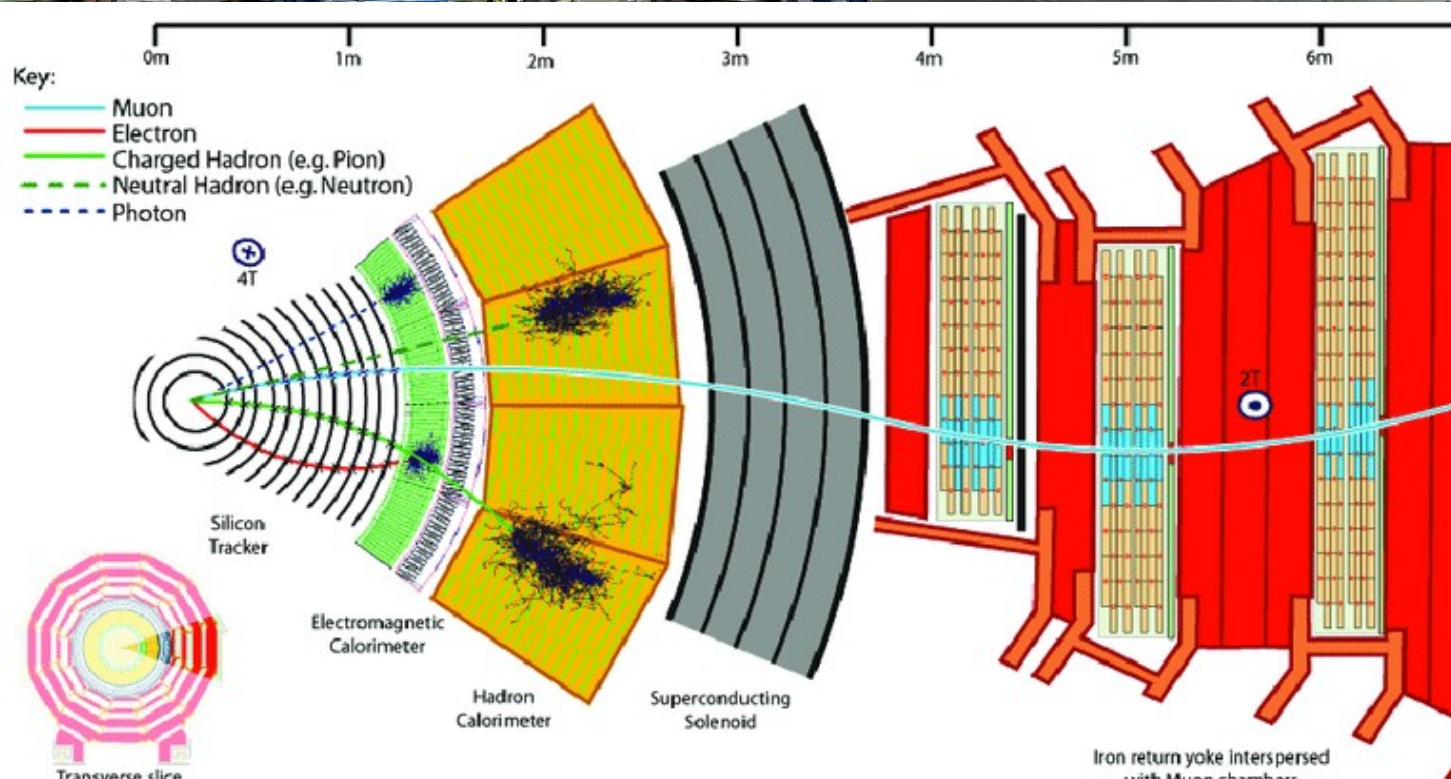


# Particle creation



# Pile-up





# Detection

Transverse slice through CMS

Transverse slice through one segment of the CMS detector

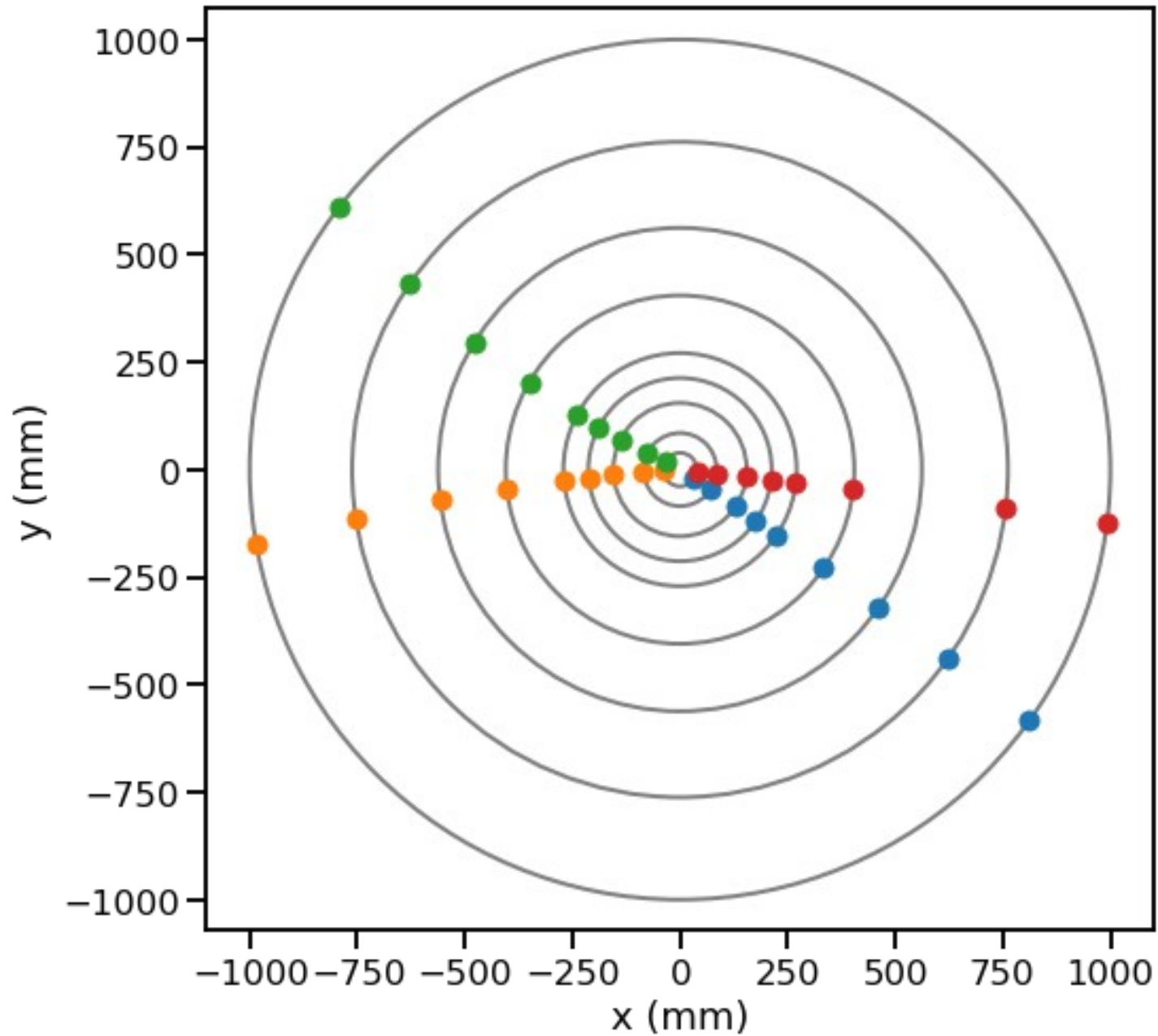
# (HL-)LHC: a few numbers

- ~10 PB of data per year
- Pile-up: 50 → 200
- 10 K particles / collision
- 100 K 3D points / collision
- 3-20 hits per particle
- Looking for innovative data analysis on LHC next generation

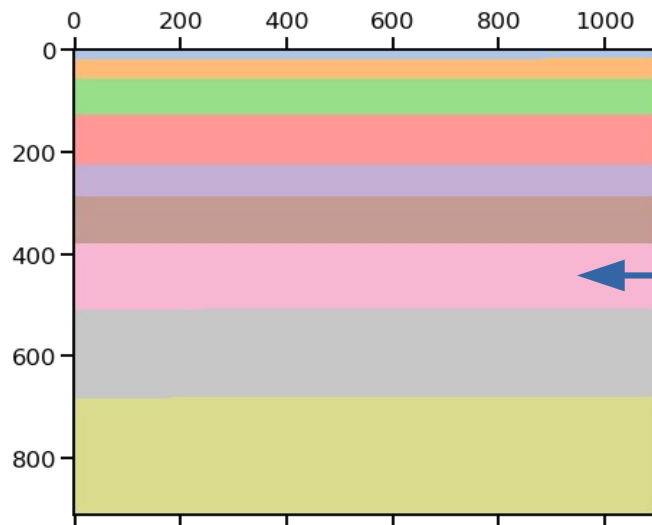
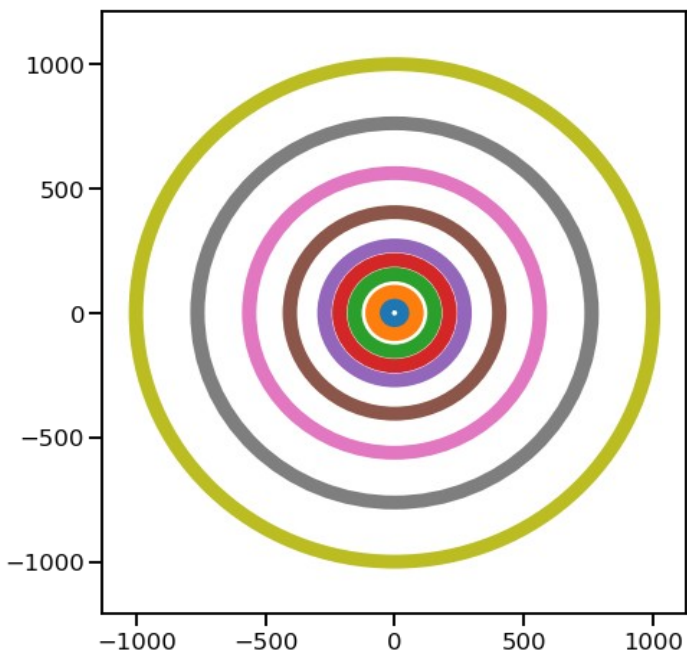
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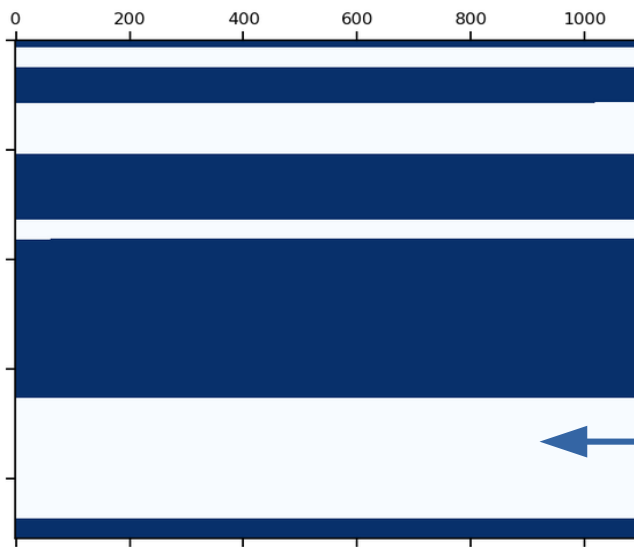
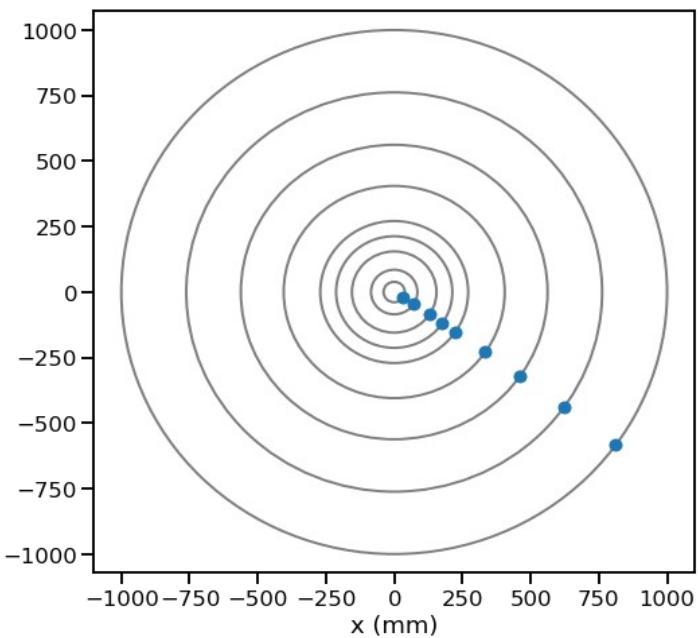
# Reduced 2D dataset



# Binary encoding



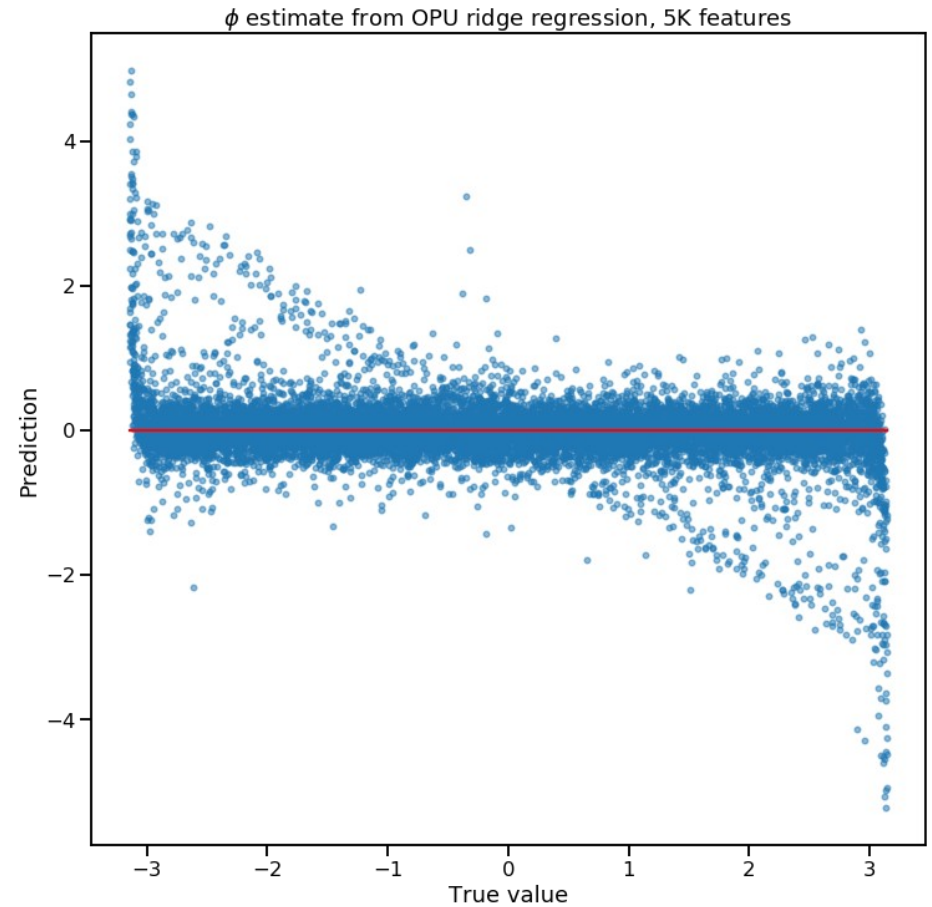
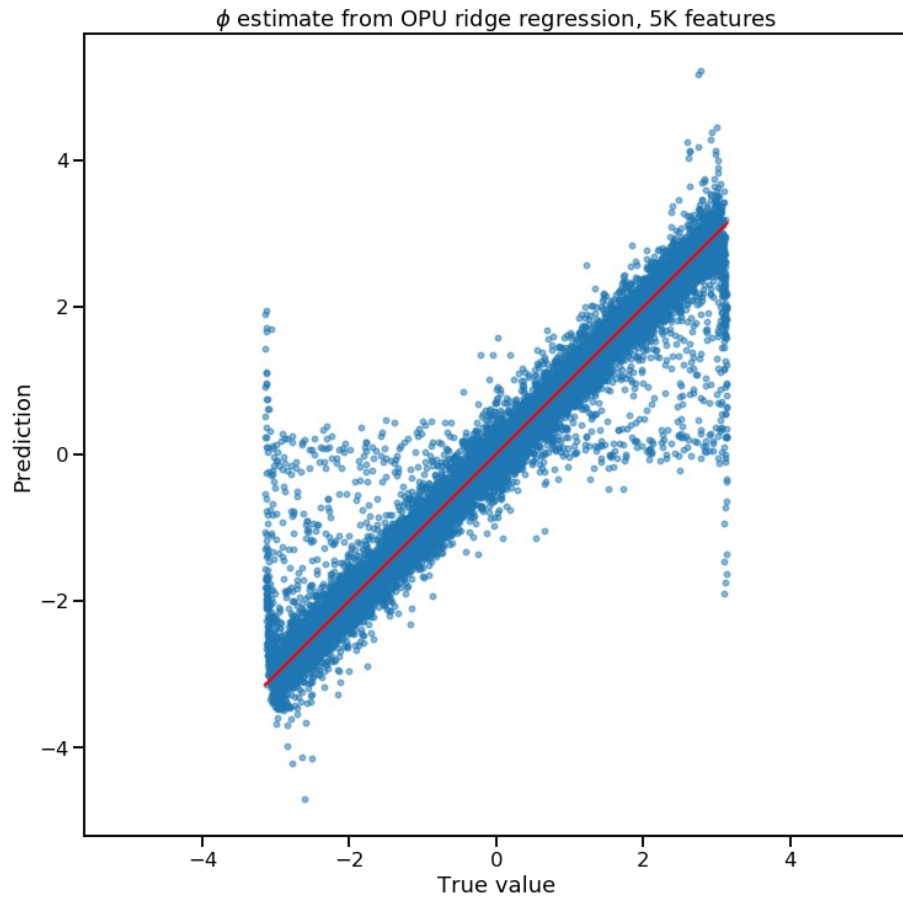
~ 2 times less tracker pixels than DMD pixels  
→ all pixels represented on DMD at once



Each layer at most one hit  
we change bool value at each hit seen  
→ ~ 50 % of DMD lit



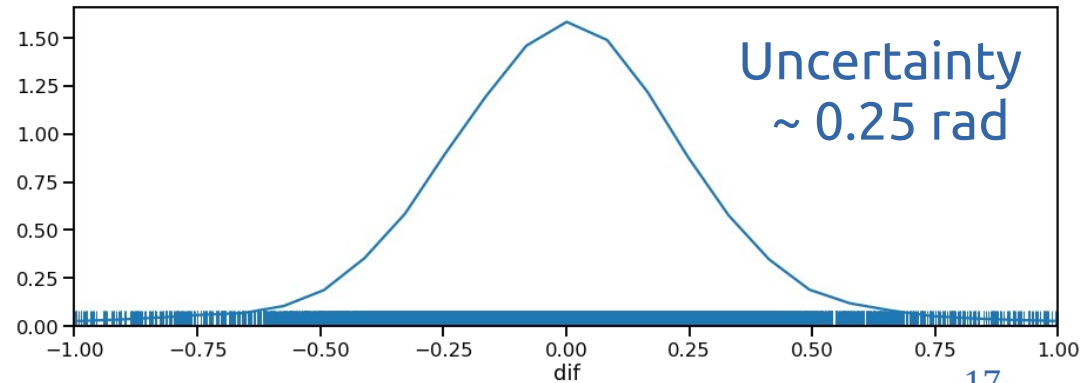
# Estimation of initial angle



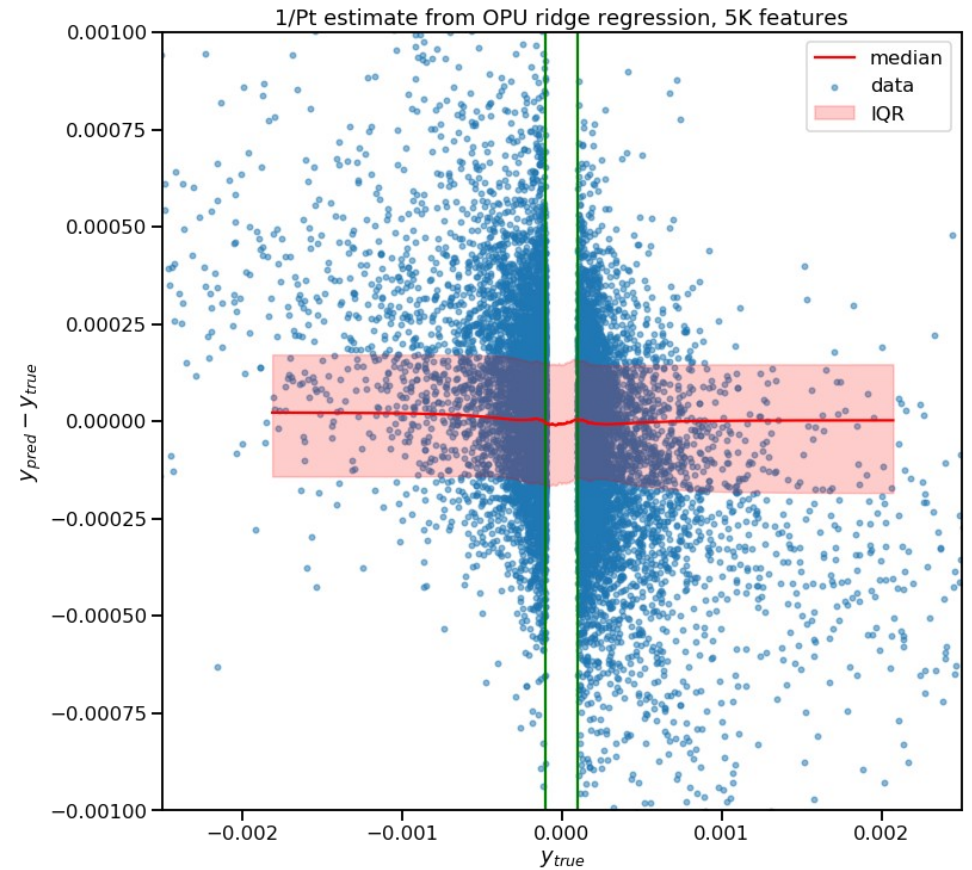
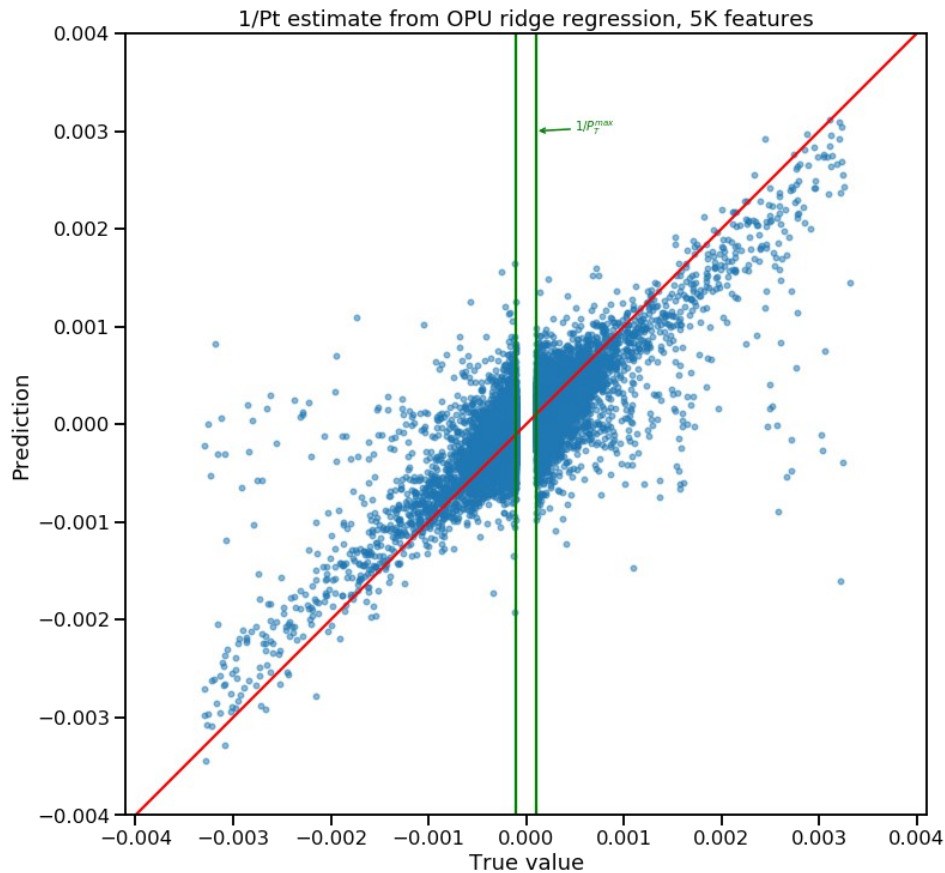
$$\min_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}} ||X\beta - y|| + ||\gamma\beta||$$

(5K) random features

Ground truth angle

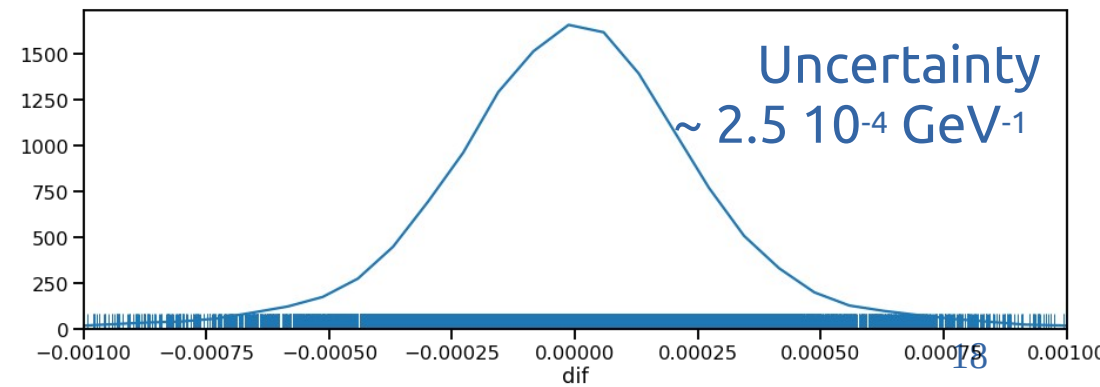


# Estimation of (inverse) momentum

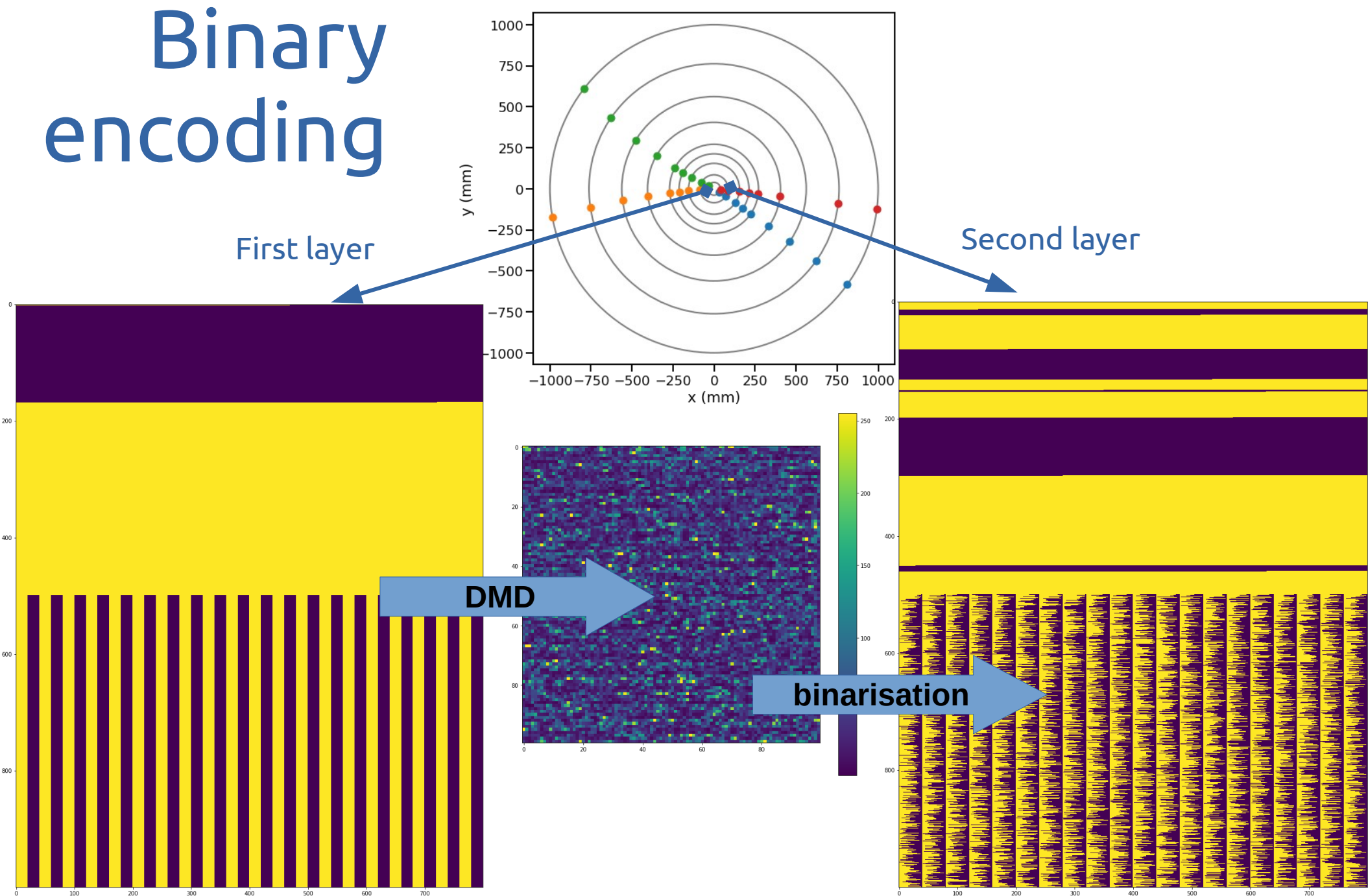


$$\min_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}} ||X\beta - y|| + ||\gamma\beta||$$

Inverse momentum ( $\sim$ curvature)



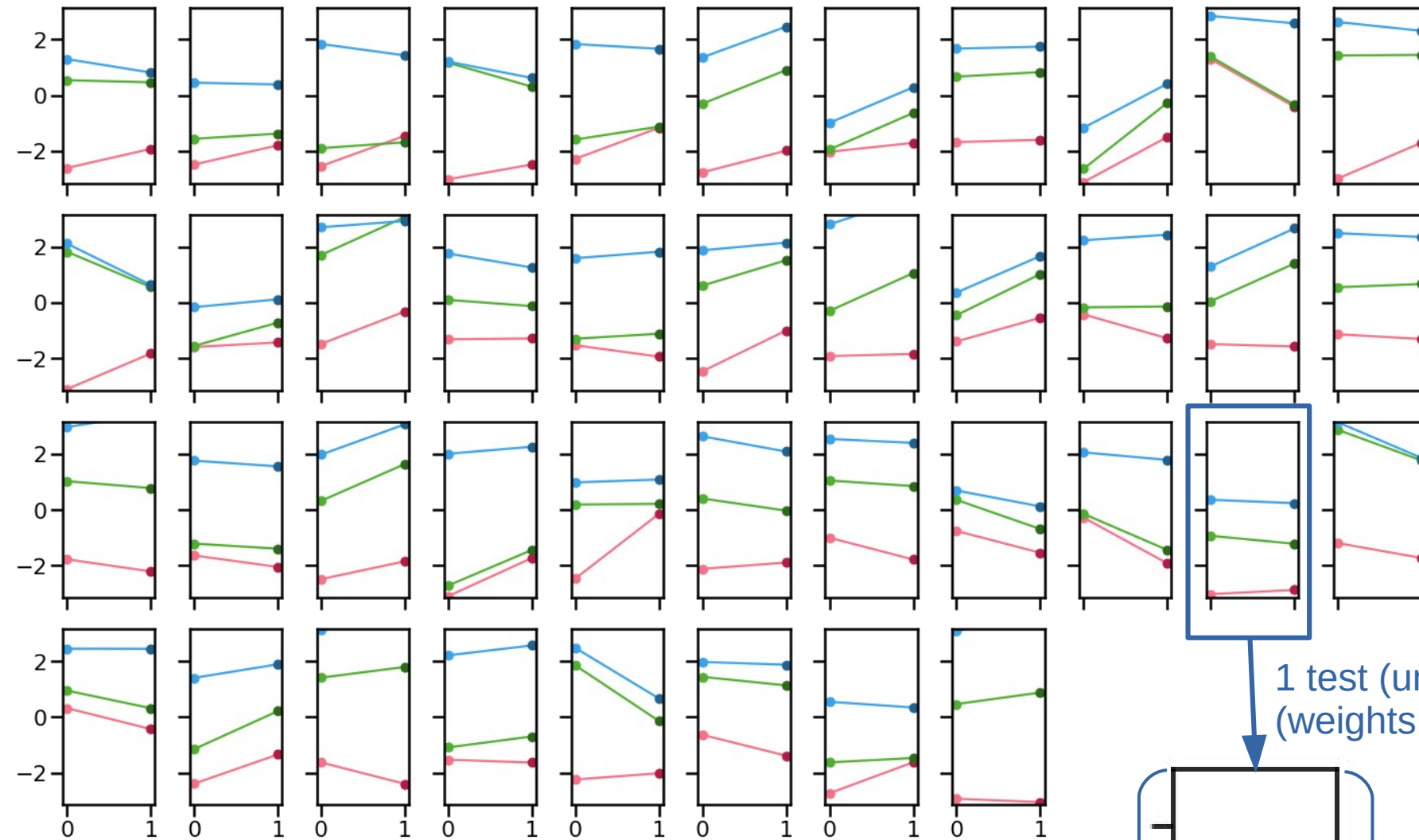
# Binary encoding



See echo state networks in Davide Faranda talk yesterday  
<https://indico.in2p3.fr/event/20187/contributions/78673/>



# Oracle on number of hits (3)



$$\min_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}} ||X\beta - y|| + ||\gamma\beta||$$

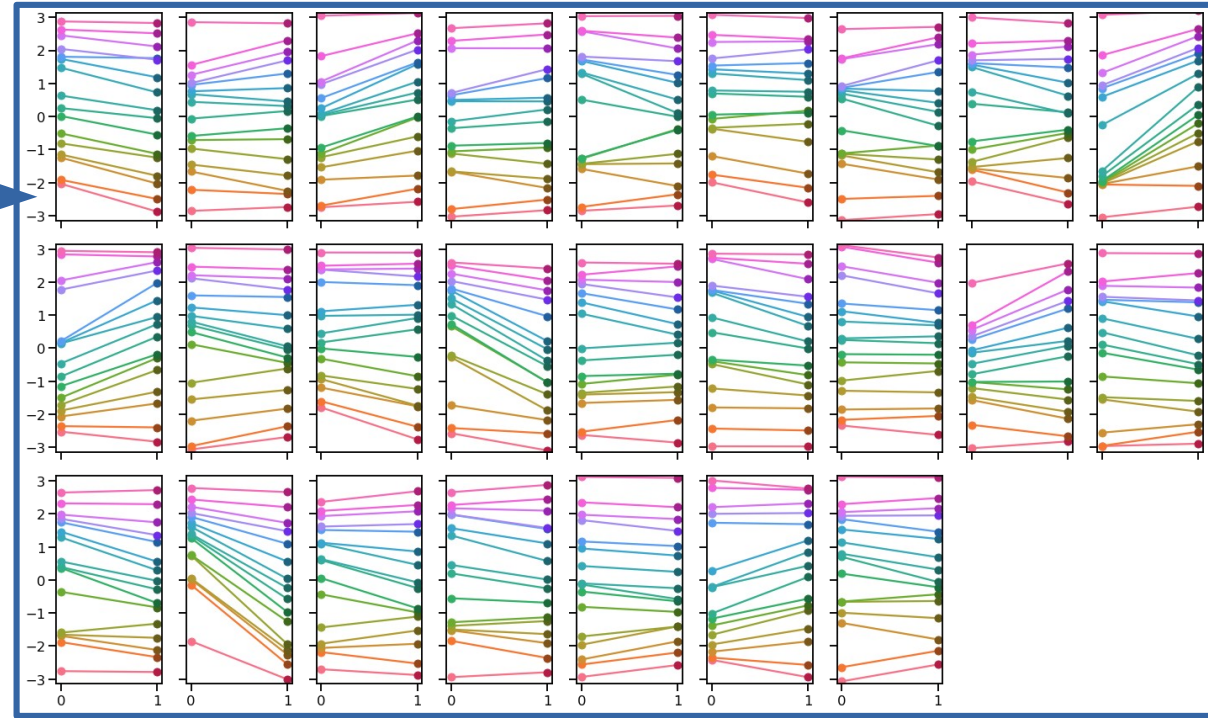
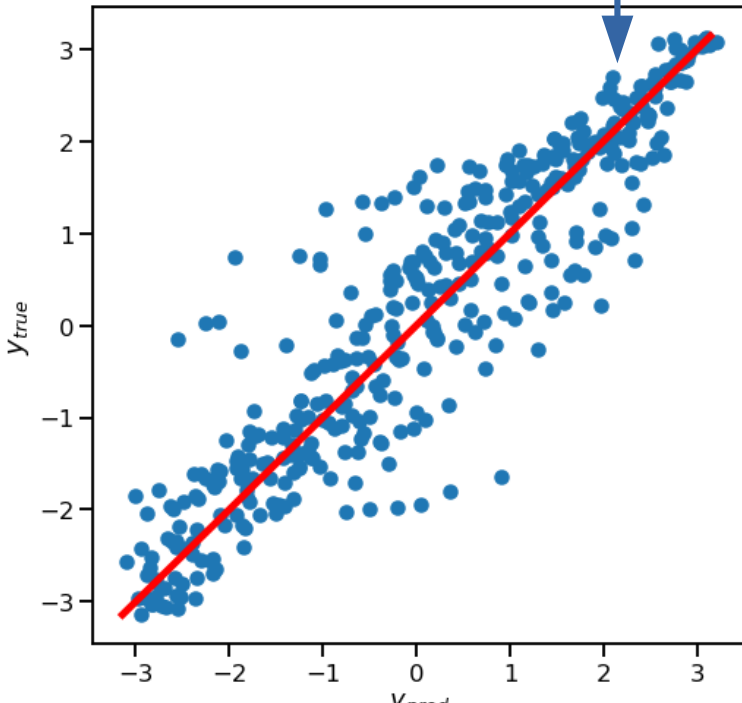
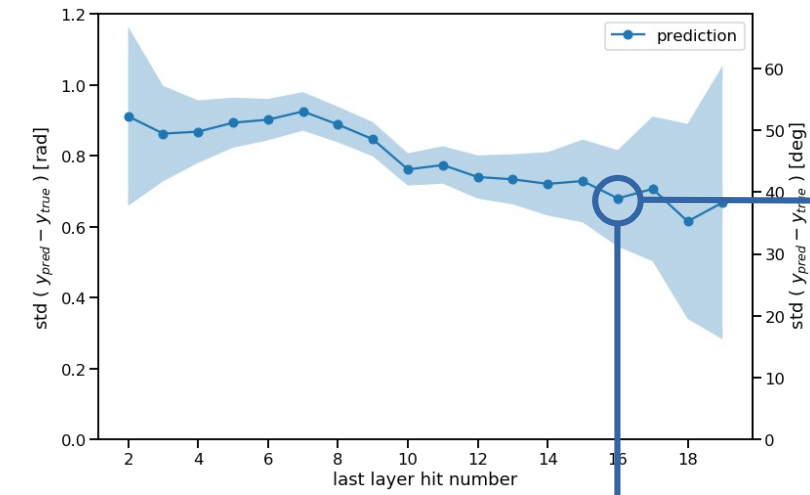
(3) last layer hit position  
X (20K) events

True L8  
angle

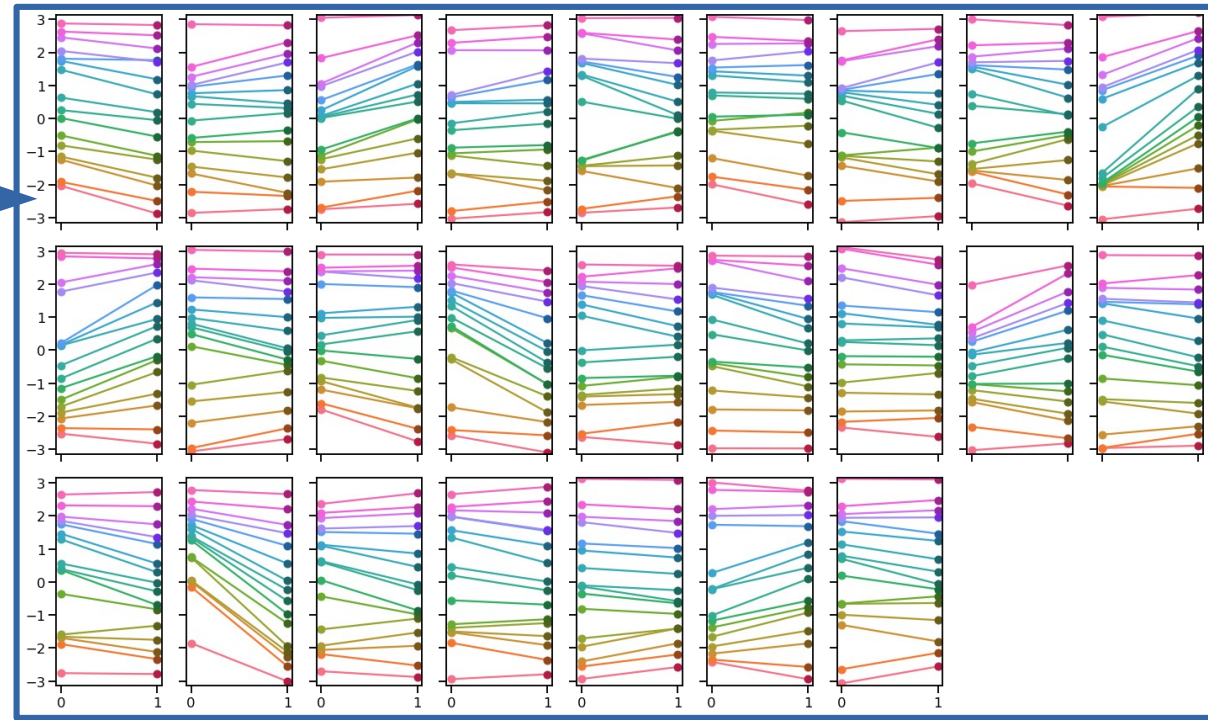
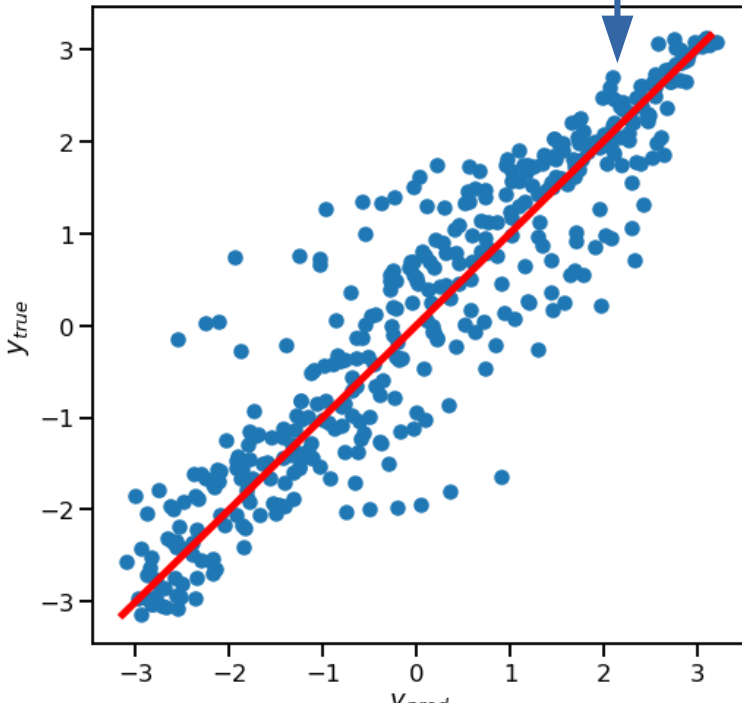
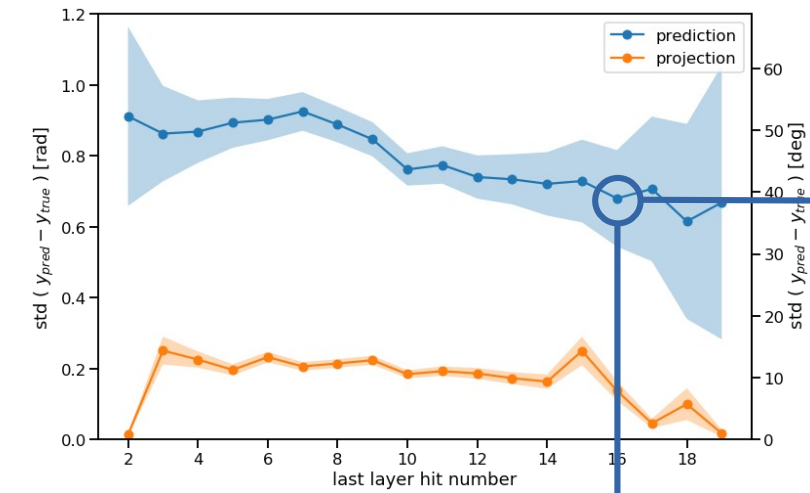
Predicted  
L8 angle

1 test (unseen) event  
(weights from training)

# Standard deviation wrt hit number



# Standard deviation wrt hit number



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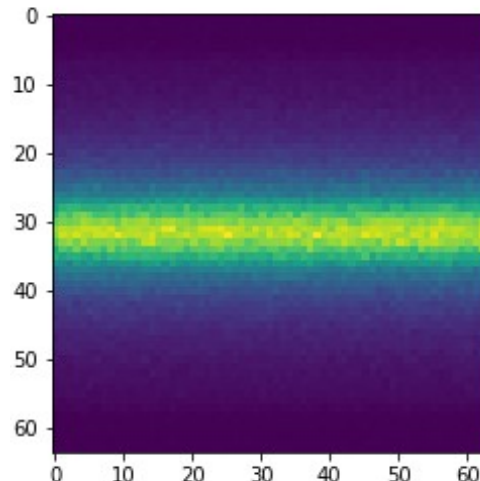
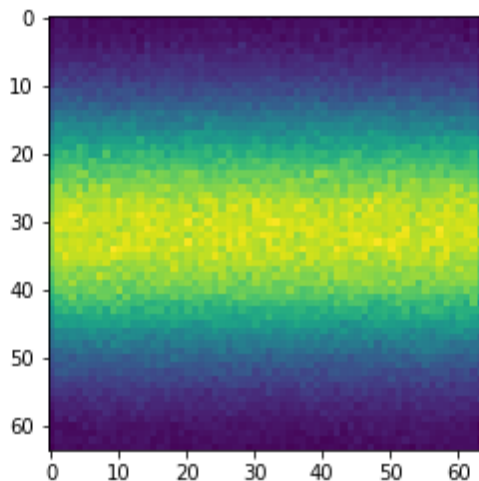
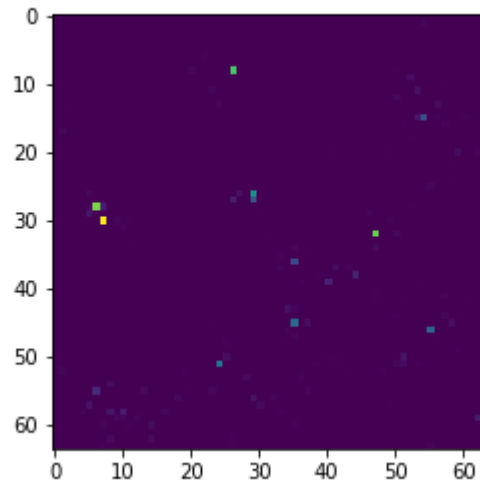
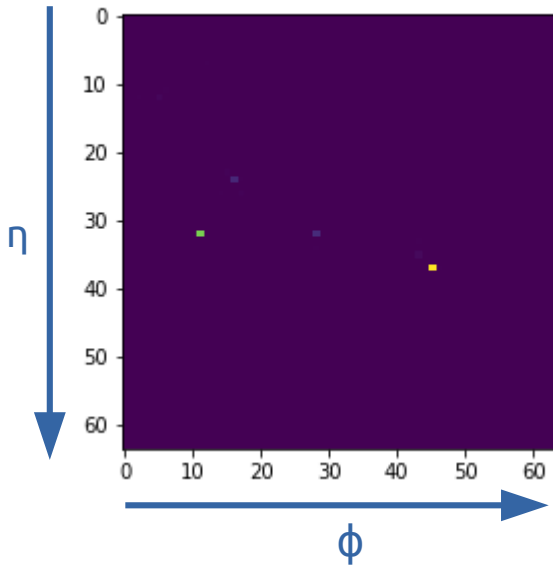
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# Event classification case study

Background (QCD)

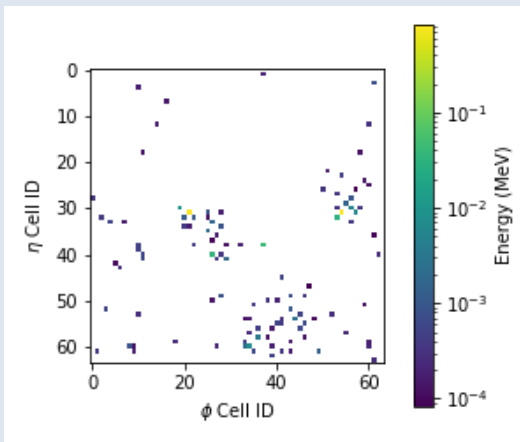
Signal (SUSY)



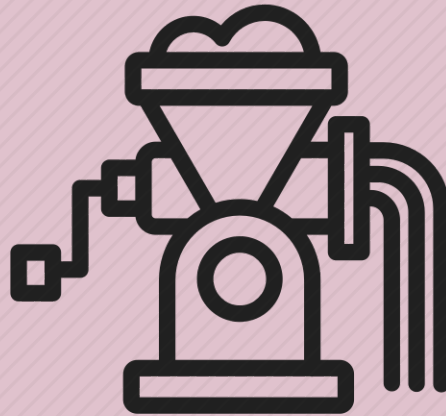
- Raw calorimeter readings binned into 64X64 images
- Pixel value = energy at corresponding location
- Each image = data of whole calorimeter (no cropping)
- Bottom row = normalized distribution of whole dataset

# Supervised ML on Calo data

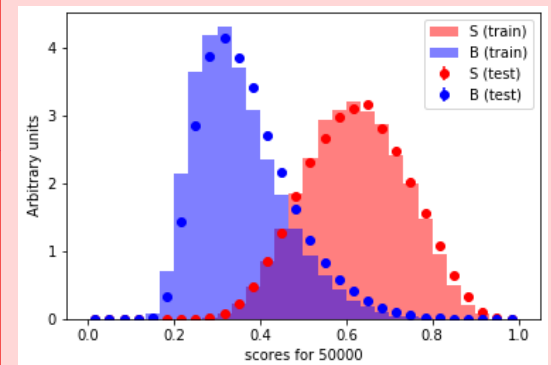
Calorimeter image  
+ ground truth



Supervised  
ML algorithm

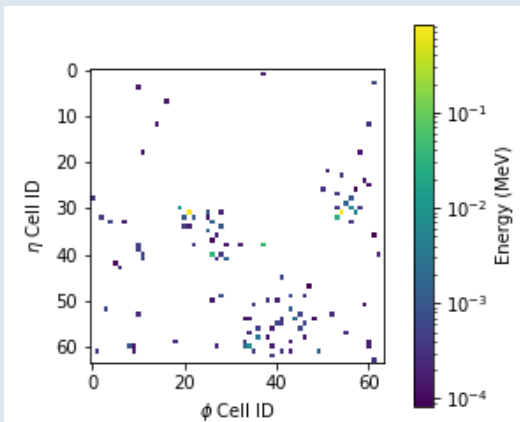


Signal / background  
separation



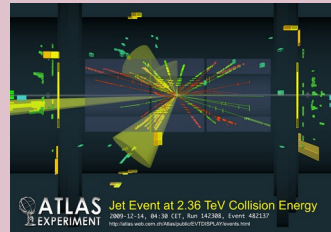
# Beyond feature engineering

Calorimeter image  
+ ground truth

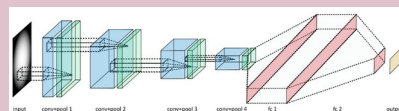


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ML algorithm

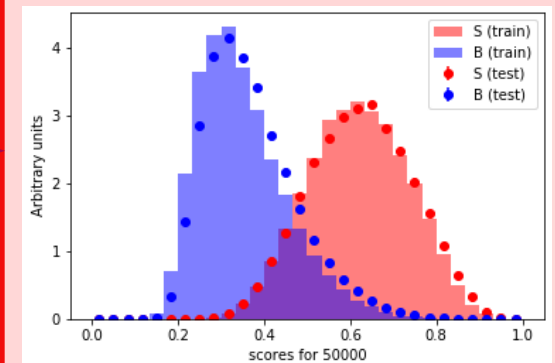
Feature engineering  
Classical ML (BDT...)



Raw features  
Modern ML (CNN...)

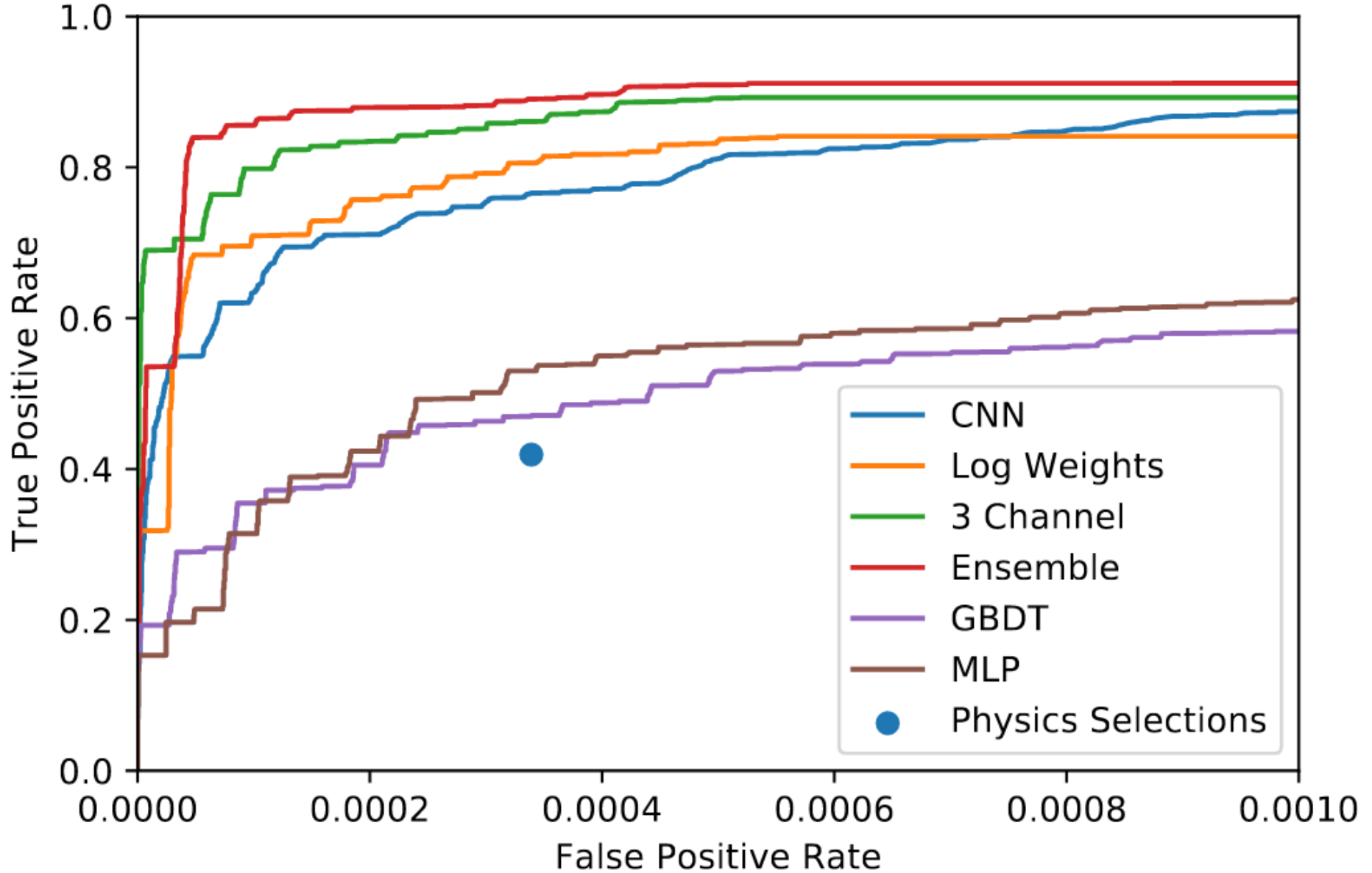


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See Joao Coelho talk from yesterday :  
Calorimeter reconstruction with computer vision at LHCb  
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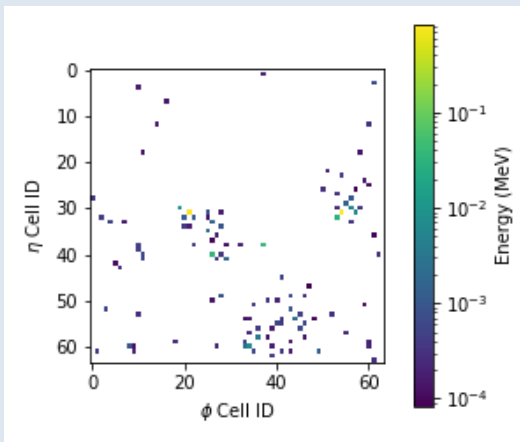
# CNN results



ROC curve comparison of different CNN implementations with physics selections and shallow classifiers ( arXiv:1711.03573 )

# OPU competitive with CNN ?

Calorimeter image  
+ ground truth



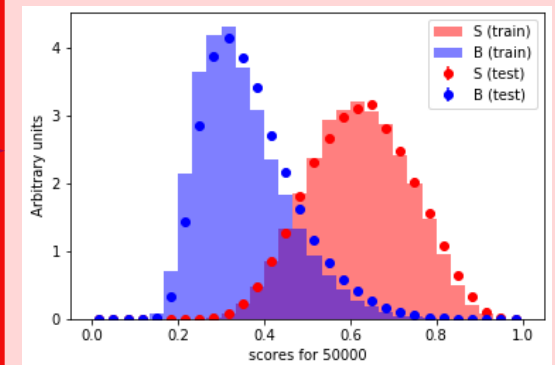
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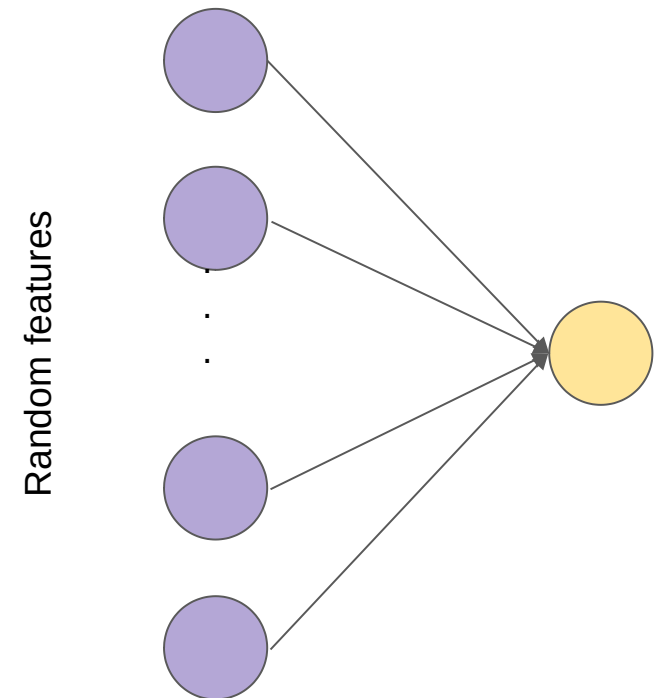
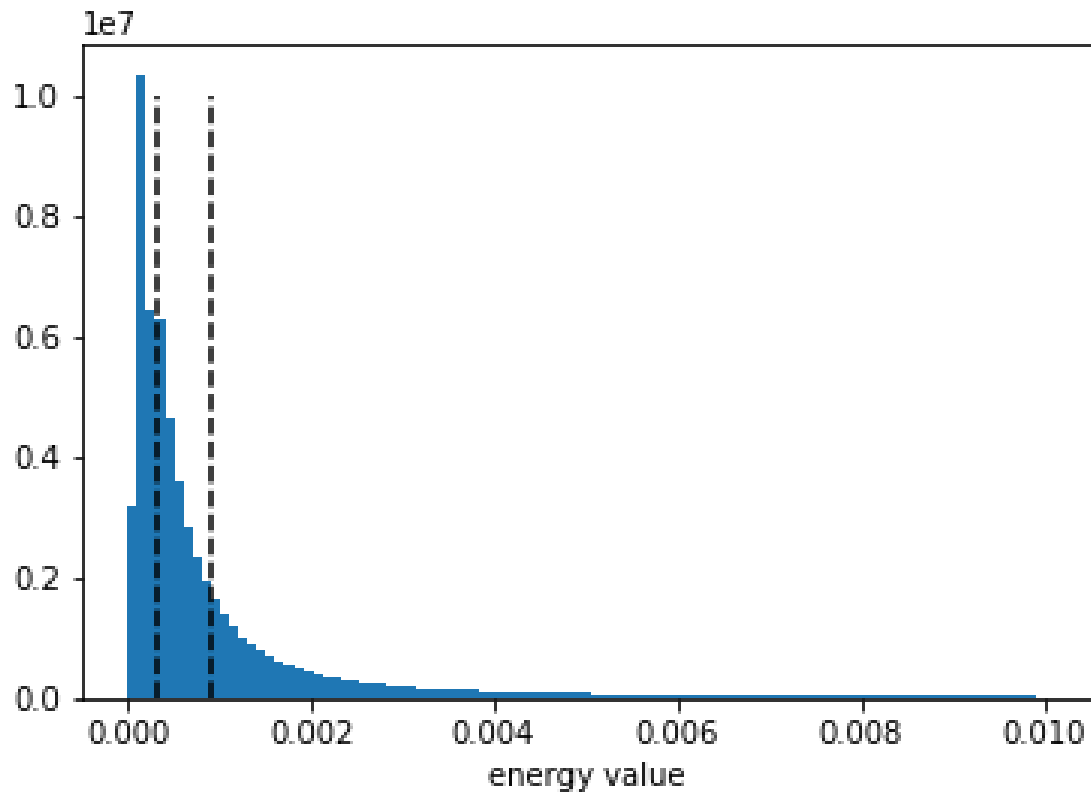
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Modern ML :  
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- OPU ?

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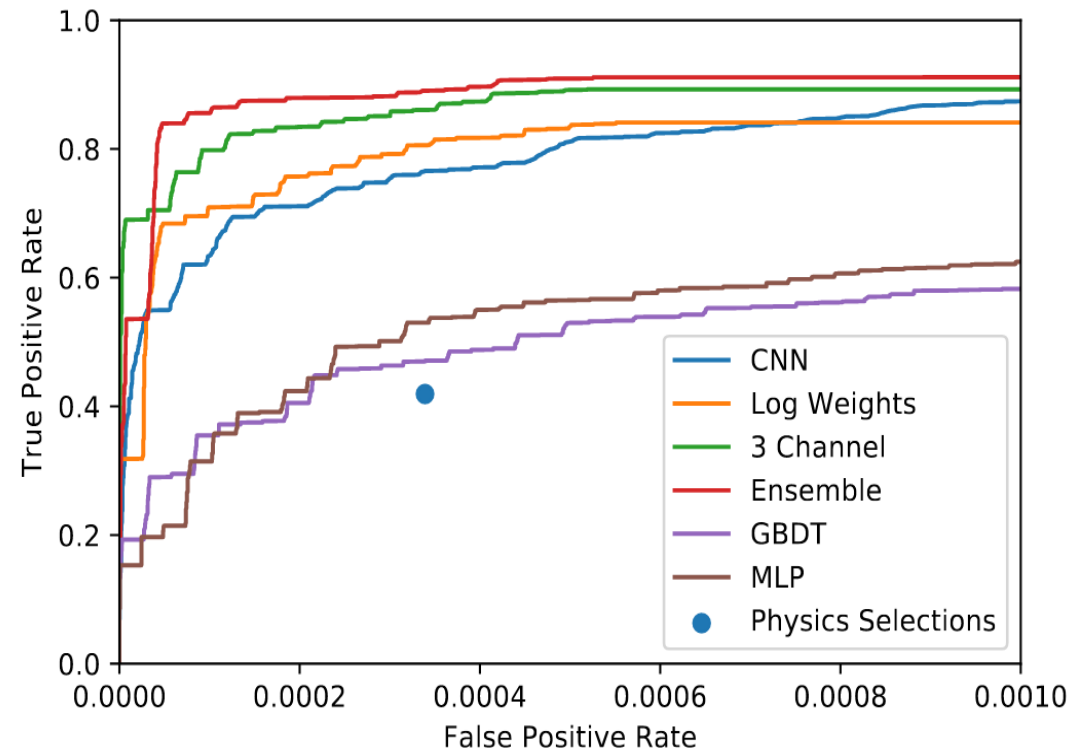
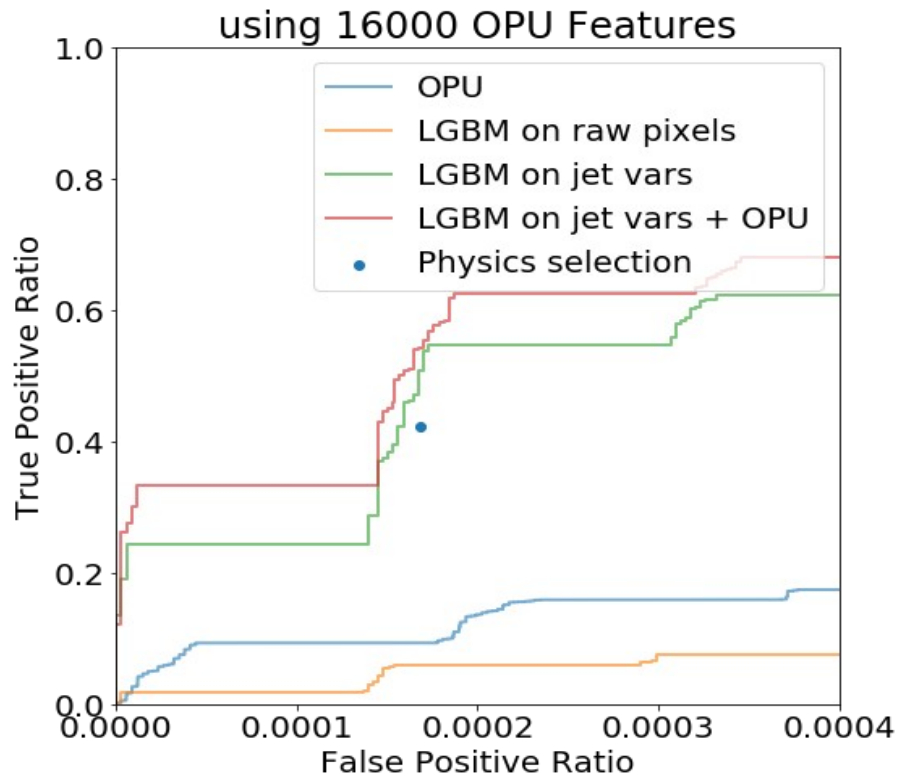


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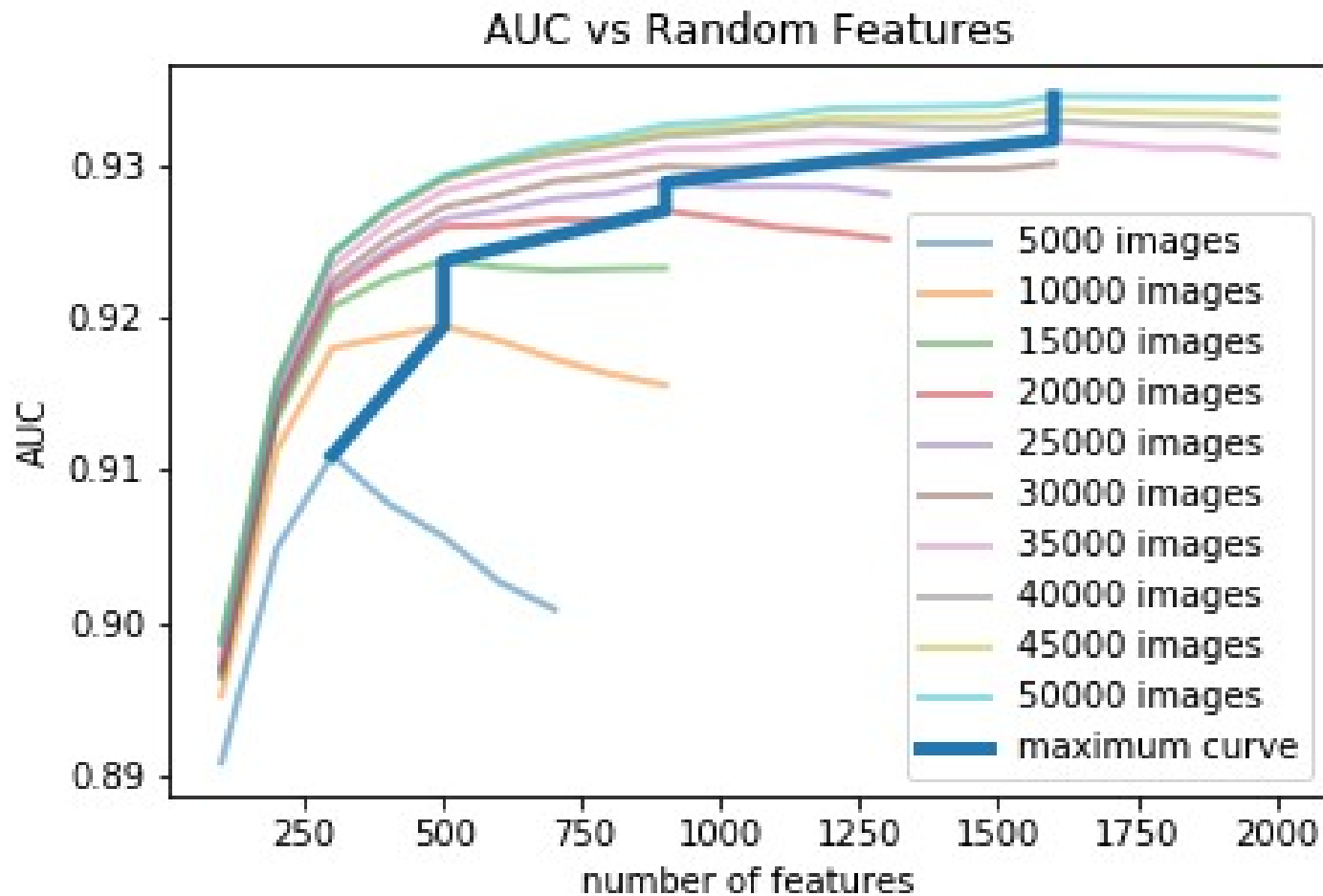
- Intensity-based binning (3 bits per pixel)
- Linear regression: single output node neural network.



# Comparison with CNN



# Optimal performance

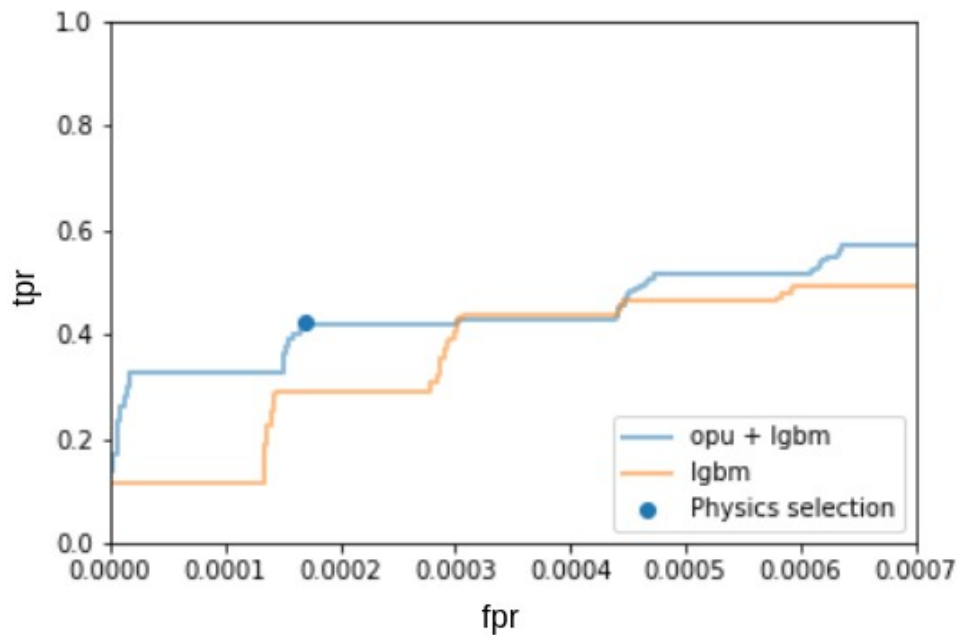


- Optimal number of features increases with number of training images
- Even low number of images allows high accuracy

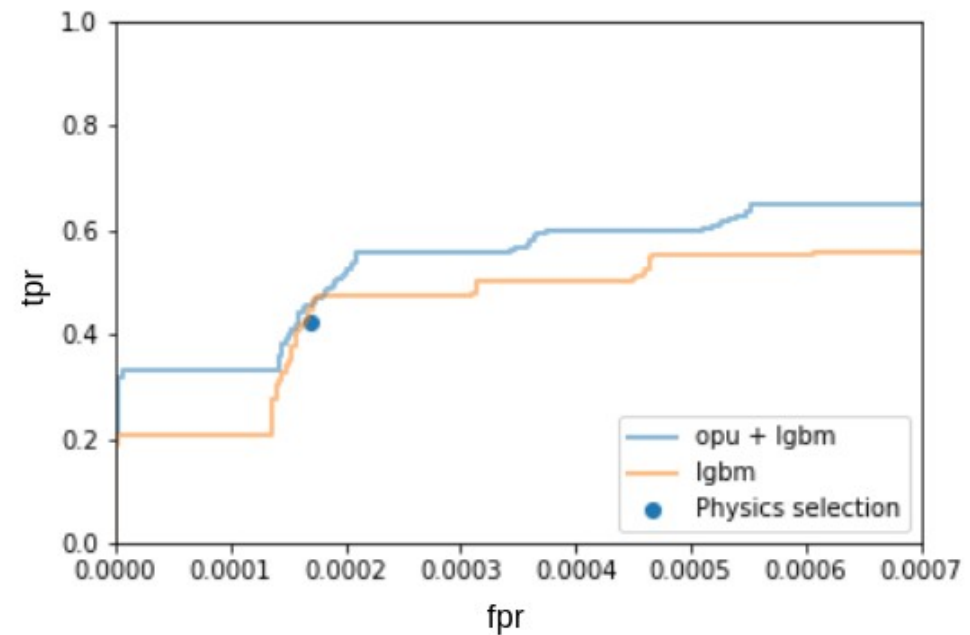


# OPU utility

- NN require a large amount of training data
- OPU + BDTs scalable even when  $N_{\text{events}} \approx N_{\text{pixels}}$



(a) 4096 Training images



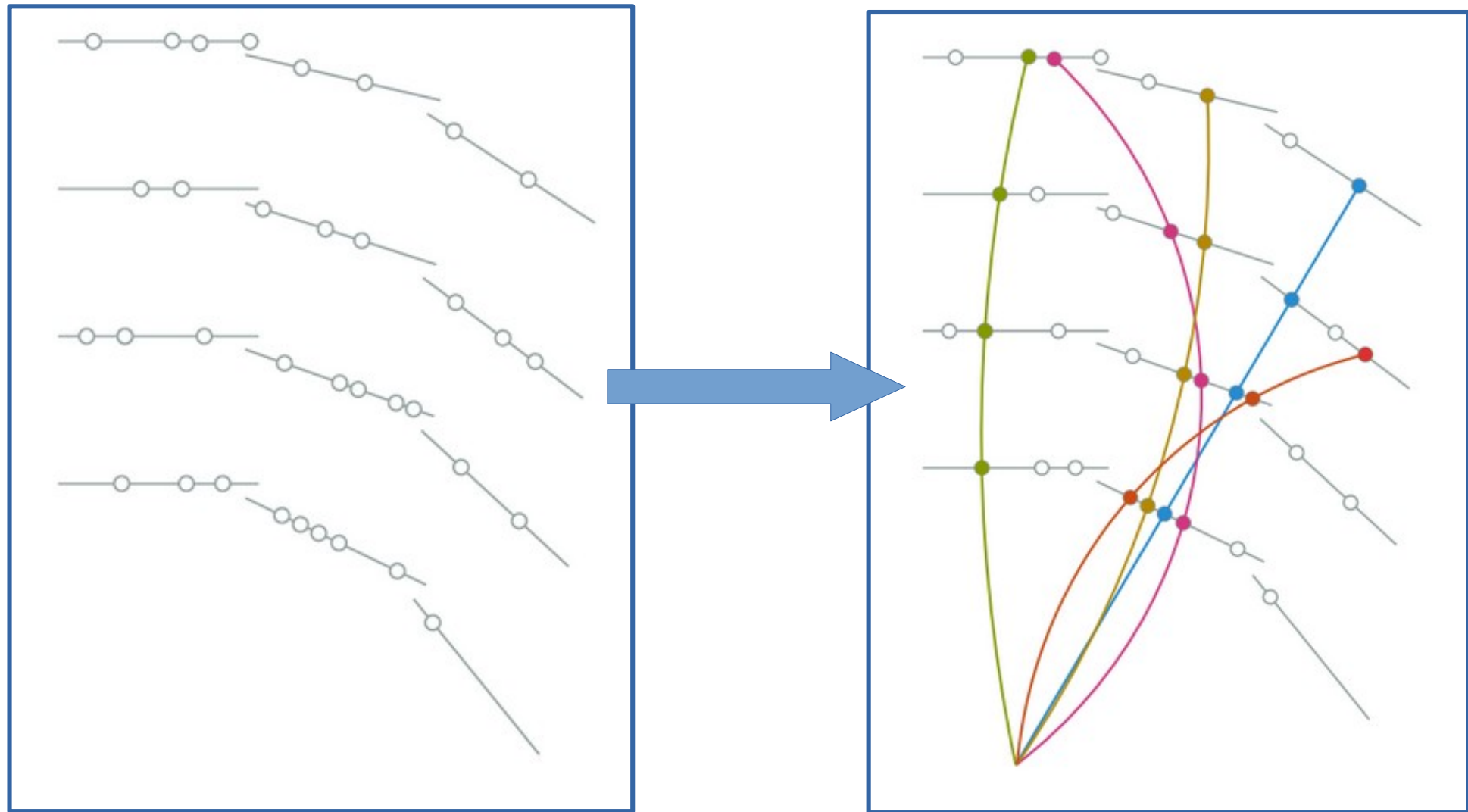
(b) 8192 Training images

# Conclusions

- OPU provides physical device to reduce dimensionality / training time
- Use for detector tracking / calorimetry?
- Casting a Tracking problem for OPU is hard ; nonetheless estimations of
  - Single particle parameters (angle, inverse momentum)
  - Number of particles, position projected on next layer
  - OPU « makes sense » without matching traditional methods
- Calorimetry
  - Faster training than CNNs, far less training data, more robust
  - Performance not comparable to CNNs but fairly good even when  $N_{\text{features}} \approx N_{\text{pixels}}$
  - BDT can combine handcrafted variables with regression output from OPU random features
  - Outlook: extend to similar problems with finer granularity (arXiv:1807.00083)

# Backup

# The TrackML challenge: connect the dots

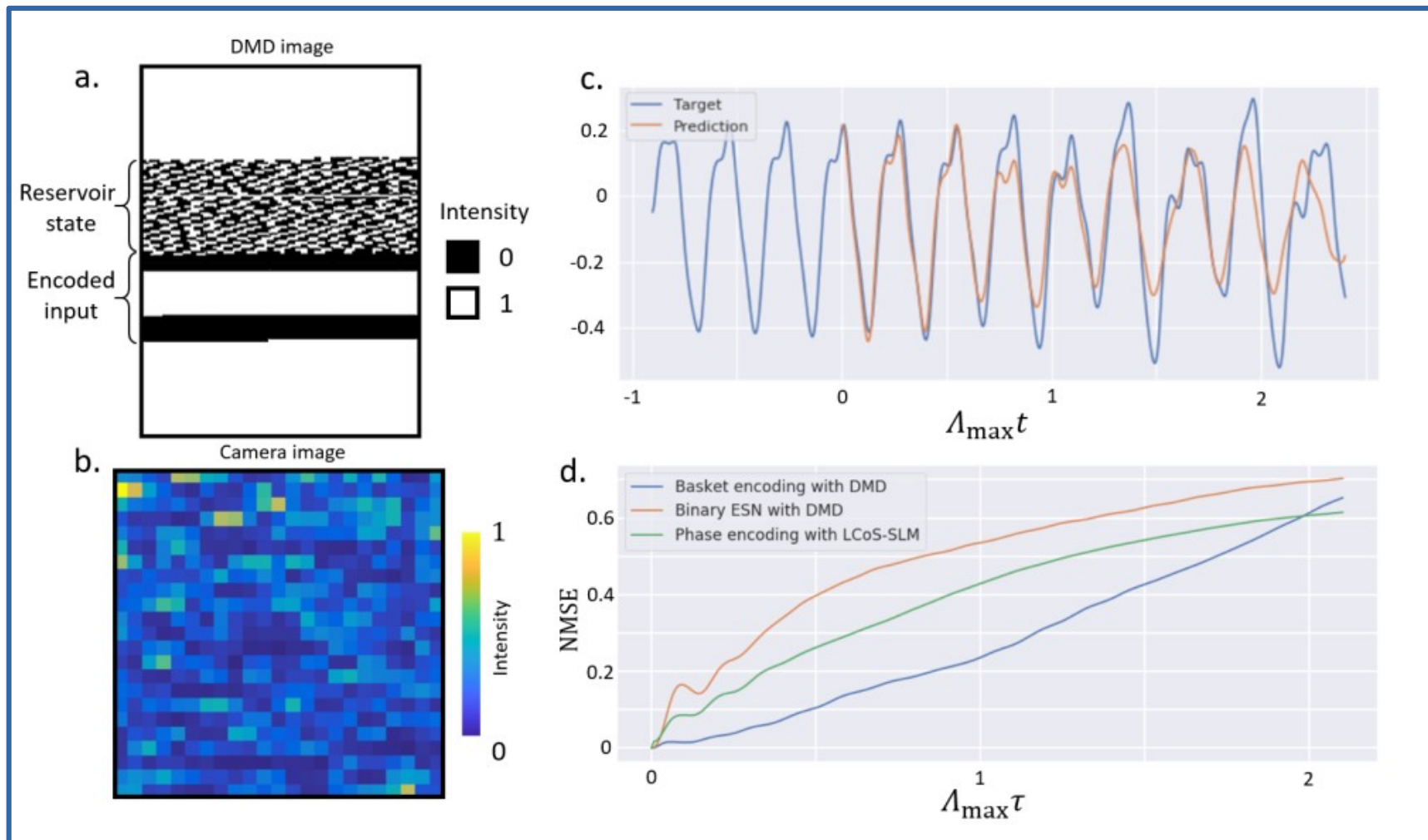


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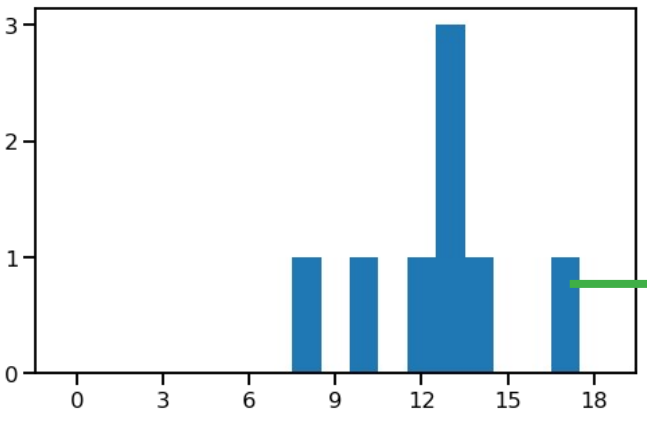
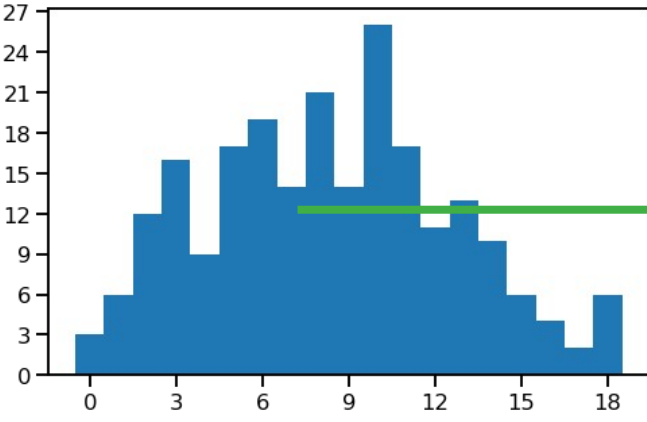
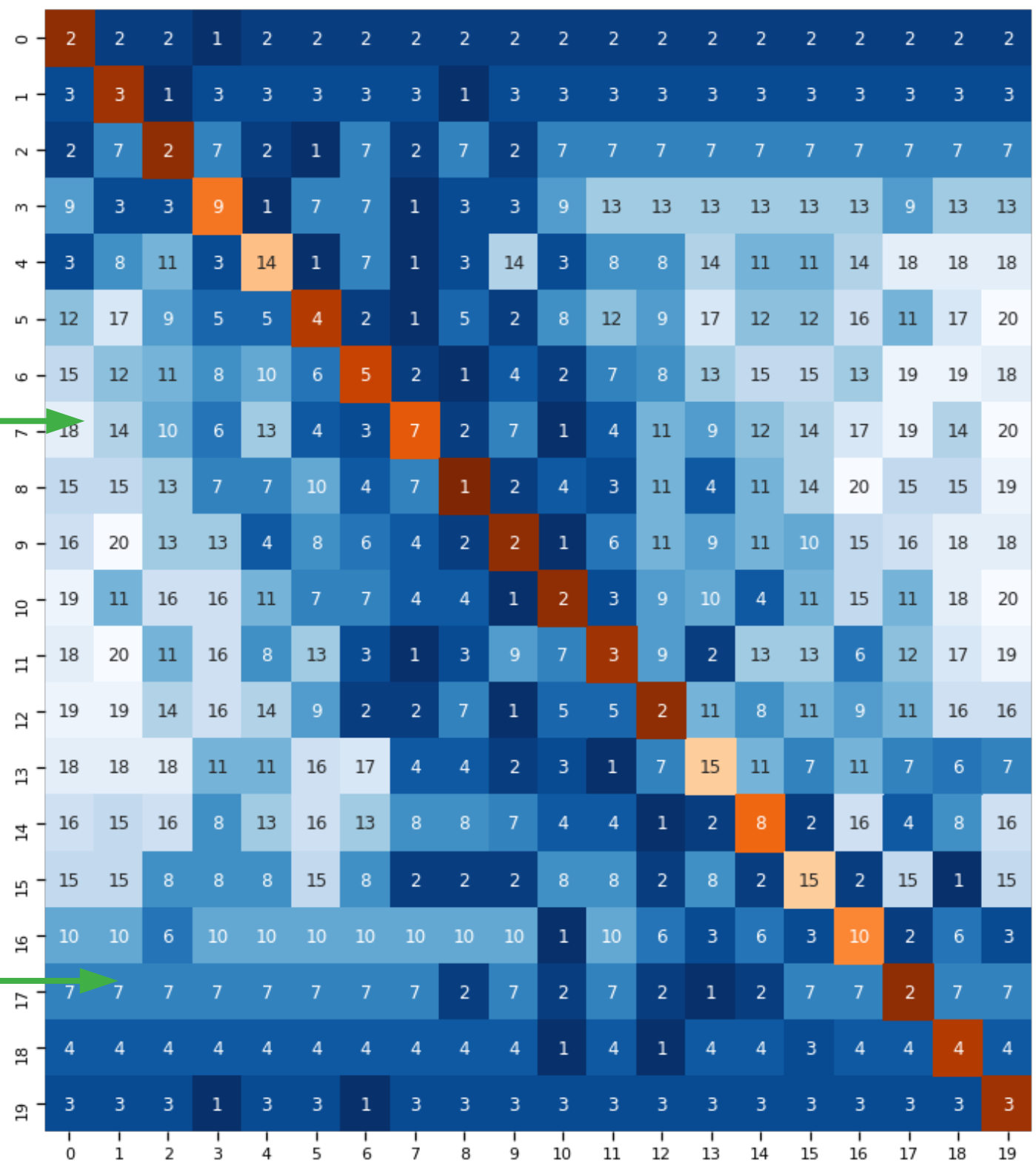
- Track following? No simple geometry of successive layers
- Compress the hits seen in electronics?
  - 2B electronic channels (!) → 1M OPU bits
  - Test with layered tSVD, autoencoders... didn't give anything interesting
- Use a more manageable dataset
  - Simplified dataset from RAMP challenge

# Reservoir computing

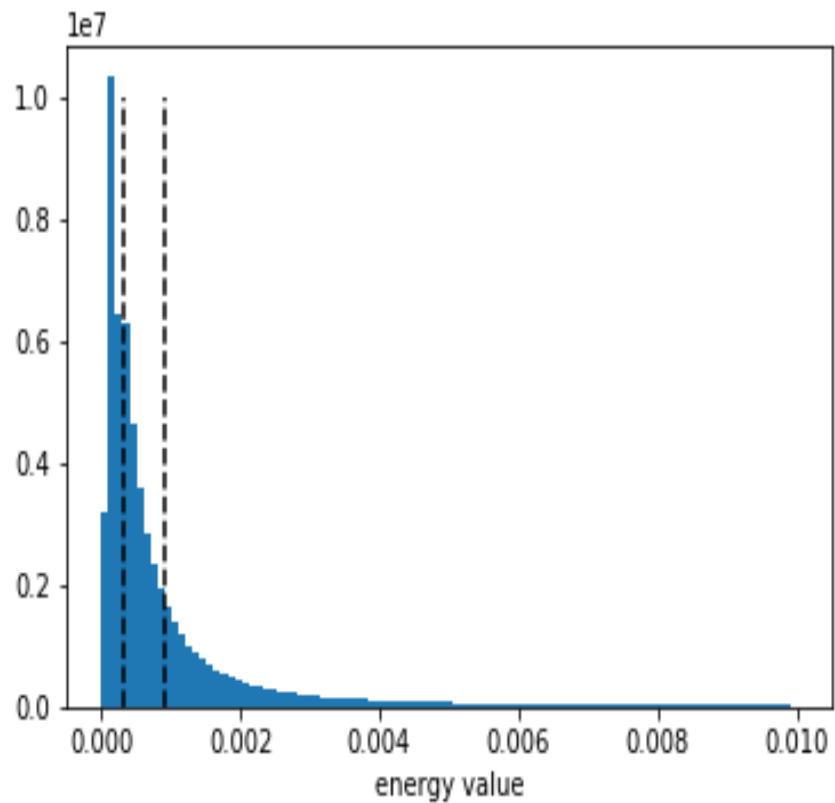
Inspired by arxiv:1907.00657, J. Dong and al. :  
« Optical Reservoir Computing using multiple light scattering for chaotic systems prediction »



# How bad is it?



# Encoding Scheme



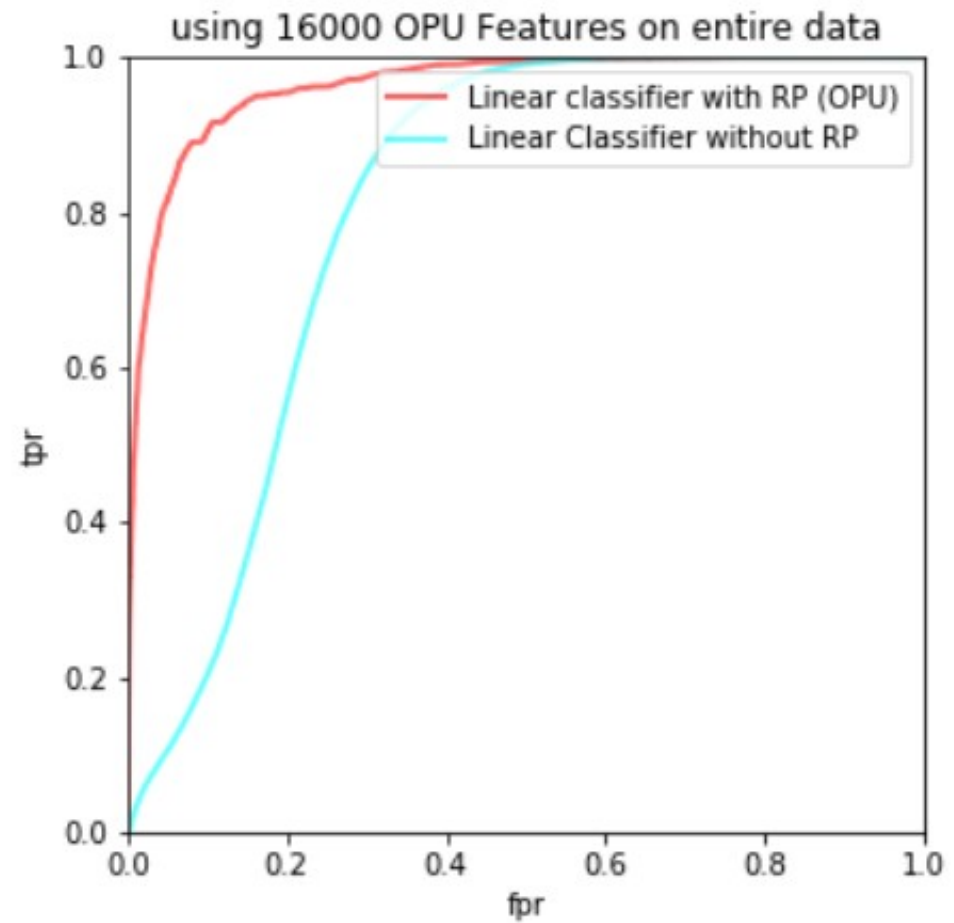
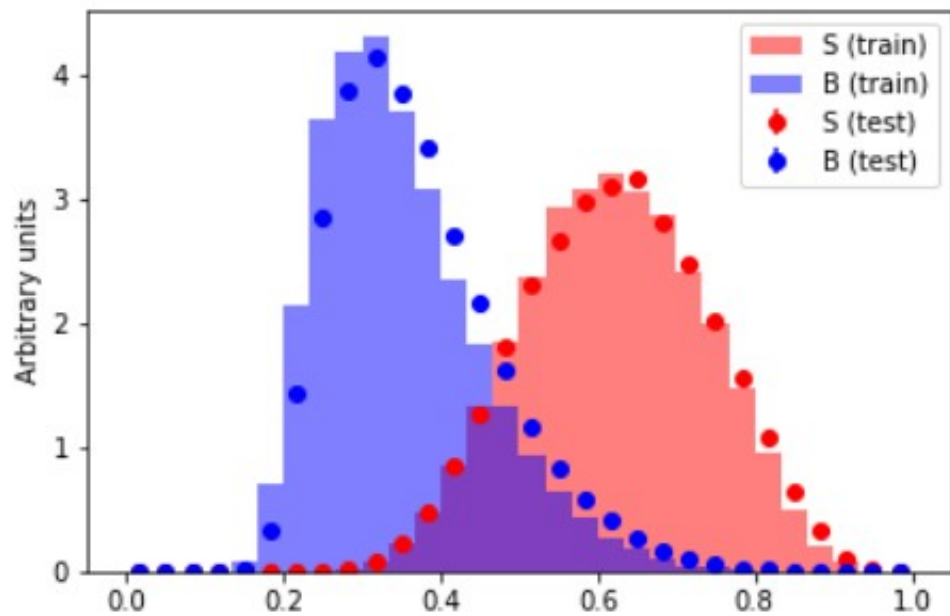
Distribution of energy (Excluding zeros)

Pixel (energy) value	encoding
$x = 0$	000
$x > 0$ and $x \leq 0.00031528$	001
$x > 3.1528 \cdot 10^{-4}$ and $x \leq 9.1565 \cdot 10^{-4}$	011
$x > 9.1565 \cdot 10^{-4}$	111

The intensity based binning performed much better than auto-encoders



# Predictions using OPU



# Estimate next layer hits number

$$\min_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}} \|X\beta - y\| + \|\gamma\beta\|$$

(10K) random features  
X (10K) events

(1) last layer hit number  
X (10K) events

