

# Searching for CP violation with a BDT in $t\bar{t}H$ multilepton final state with Run 3

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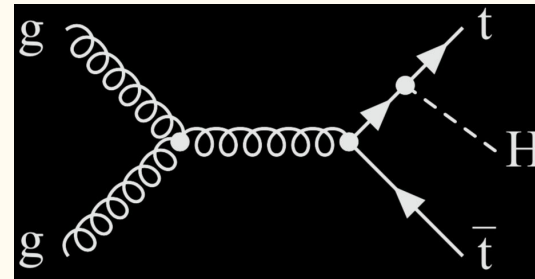
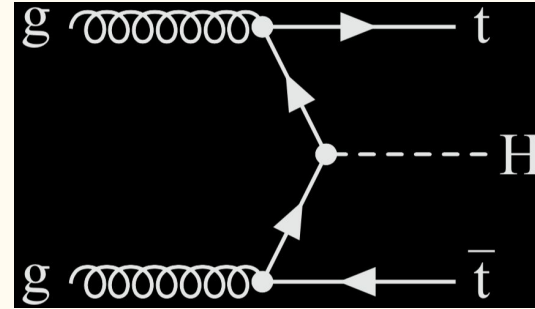
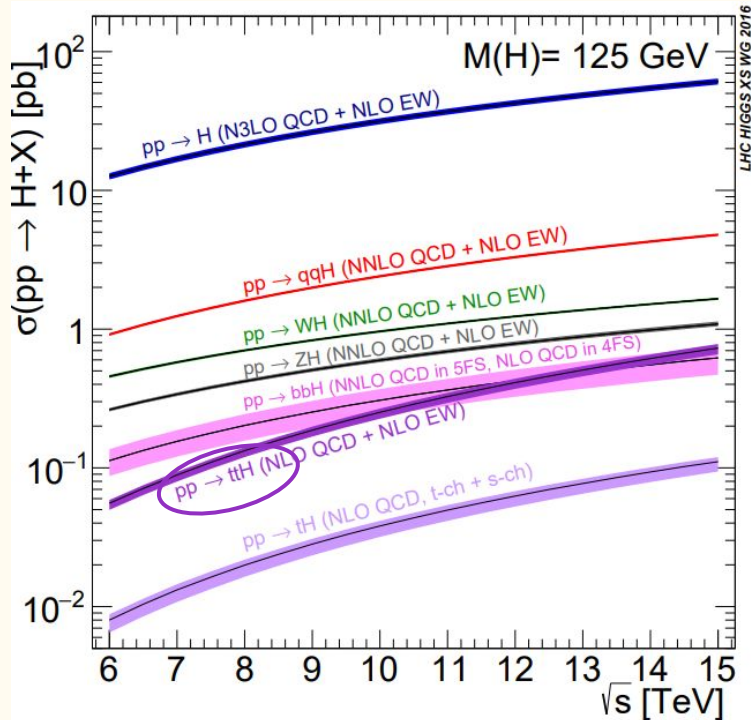
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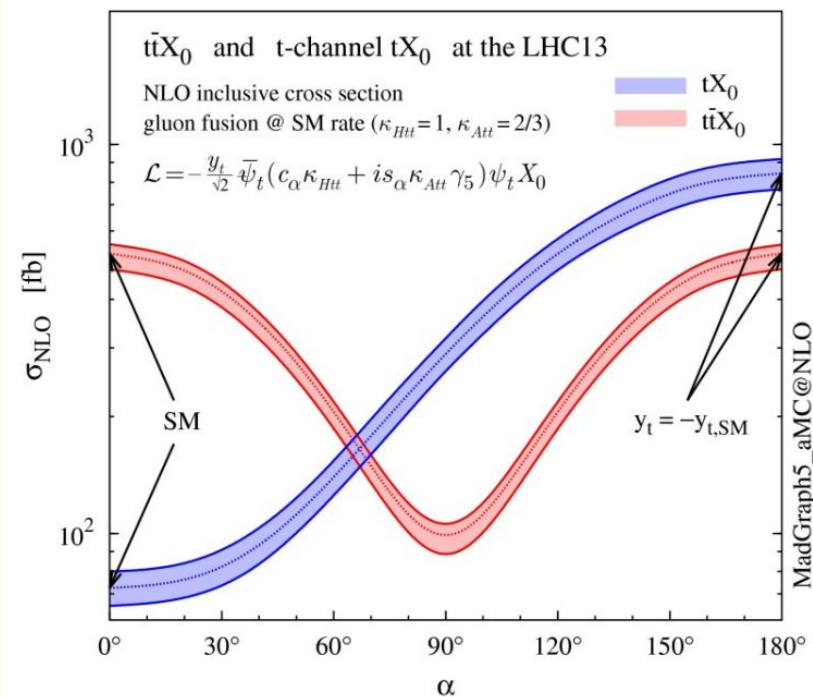
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# ttH process and CP-violation

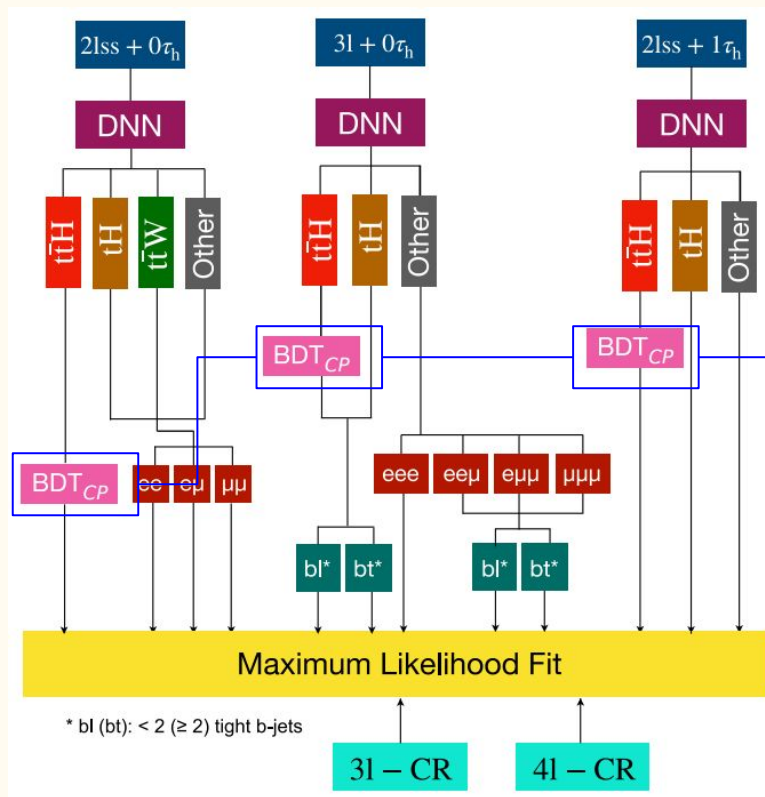
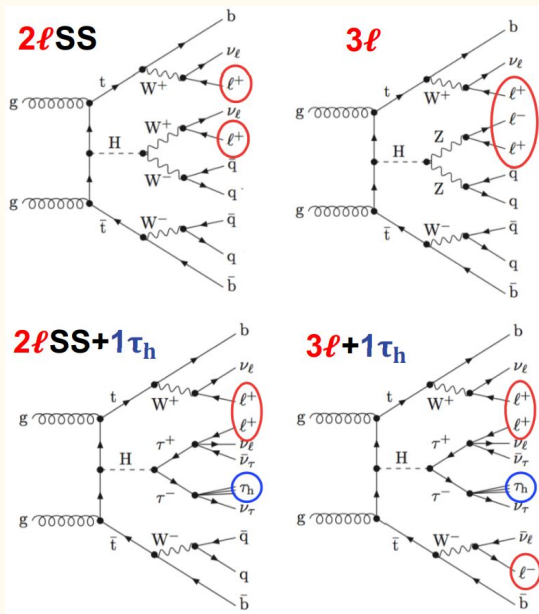
$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{y_t}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{\psi}_t \left( \underbrace{c_\alpha \kappa_{Htt}}_{\text{CP-even}} + \underbrace{is_\alpha \kappa_{Att} \gamma_5}_{\text{CP-odd}} \right) \psi_t X_0$$

- $\alpha$  is the CP mixing angle (0 or 180° in SM)
- $\kappa_{Htt, Att}$  are dimensionless rescaling parameters
- $c_\alpha$  and  $s_\alpha$  are respectively  $\cos(\alpha)$  and  $\sin(\alpha)$ , meaning the CP-even and CP-odd terms of the interaction
- $y_t$  is the Yukawa coupling constant of the top quark to the Higgs field
- $X_0$  labels a generic spin-0 particle with CP-violating coupling (in this case, the Higgs boson)



CP transformation also affects  $m_t$ ,  $p_r$ , and  $\eta$

# ttH Analysis and usage of the CP-BDT



Boosted Decision Trees (BDTs) which discriminate CP-odd from CP-even events in the DNN ttH node based on the score of the CP classifiers

Diagram of the analysis process for ttH

# The Dataset used

- The BDT was trained on the TTH CP MC samples (TTH\_ctevcp\_4f\_TuneCP5\_13p6TeV\_madgraph-pythia8)
- eras = 2022, 2022EE, 2023, 2023BPix, used all together for the training
- The signal regions analyzed are 2lss0tau and 3l0tau. For now, all events of the signal regions were used, without selecting the ttH node of the multi-target DNN
- The signal was taken as the events with the CP-odd weight, meanwhile the background was taken as the events with the SM weight
- Split into Training and Validation in a ratio 4:1

# The Training Method

The BDT is trained using XGBoost, with the following functions:

The evaluation metric is the AUC

Early stopping is enabled. After the training is stopped, the best iteration is recorded.

```
clf = xgb.XGBClassifier(  
    tree_method="hist",  
    objective="binary:logistic",  
    eval_metric="auc", #Logloss  
    n_estimators=5000, # early stopping will pick best_n  
    subsample=0.8,  
    colsample_bytree=0.8,  
    learning_rate=0.1,  
    max_depth=4,  
    min_child_weight=2.0,  
    reg_lambda=1.0,  
    reg_alpha=0.1,  
    gamma=3.,  
    random_state=42,  
    n_jobs=os.cpu_count(),  
    scale_pos_weight=scale_pos_weight,  
    early_stopping_rounds=25  
)
```

```
clf.fit(  
    Xtr, ytr,  
    sample_weight=wtr,  
    eval_set=[(Xtr, ytr), (Xva, yva)],  
    sample_weight_eval_set=[wtr, wva],  
    verbose=50  
)
```

# The Input Variables: Definitions

## 2lss0tau

Tabella 5: Variables definitions 2lss0 $\tau$

Variable Name	Definition
SelJet_pt	pT of leading jet
SelJet_Eta	$\eta$ of leading jet
SelJet_Phi	$\phi$ of leading jet
SelJet_Mass	Mass of leading jet
SelJet_isBtag	Btag class of the leading jet
SelJet_isFromHadTop	Whether the leading jet comes from the hadronic top
SelJet_BTagDeepFlavB	Deep flavour Btag of the leading jet
mindRlep1jet	dR of lep 1 to its closest jet
mindRlep2jet	dR of lep 2 to its closest jet
mTTH	invariant mass of jets+met+leptons
dEtaBB	dEta of two jets with highest b tagging score
dEtaLL_BBframe	d $\eta$ of the two leptons in the B-B system frame
avg_dr_jet	average dR distance among all jets
dEtaBB_LLframe	dEta BB in the l-l system frame
Hj_tagger_hadTop	Higgs-jet tagger
HTT_score	highest BDT score of jet triplet from t
met_phi	$\phi$ of met
nSelJets	number of jets passing the cuts
met	missing transverse energy

## 3l0tau

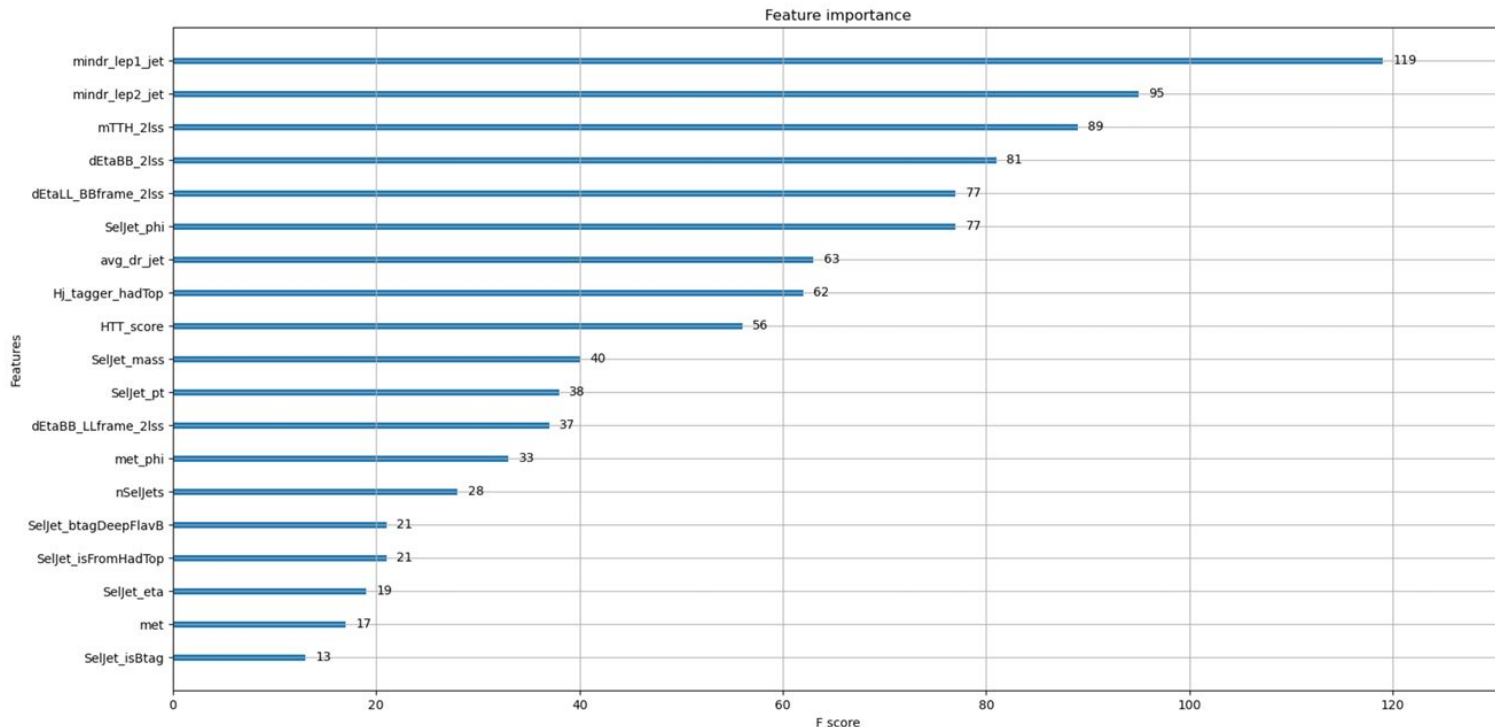
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Variable Name	Definition
jetpt1	pT of leading jet
jetEta1	$\eta$ of leading jet
jetPhi1	$\phi$ of leading jet
jetMass1	Mass of leading jet
jetpt2	pT of subleading jet
jetEta2	$\eta$ of subleading jet
jetPhi2	$\phi$ of subleading jet
jetMass2	Mass of subleading jet
Lep1_pT	pT of lepton 1
Lep2_pT	pT of lepton 2
Lep3_pT	pT of lepton 3
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dEtaL1L3_BBframe	d $\eta$ of leptons 1 and 3 in the B-B system frame
dEtaL1L2_BBframe	d $\eta$ of leptons 1 and 2 in the B-B system frame
dRlep12	dR of lepton 1 and 2
dRlep23	dR of lepton 2 and 3
dRlep31	dR of lepton 3 and 1



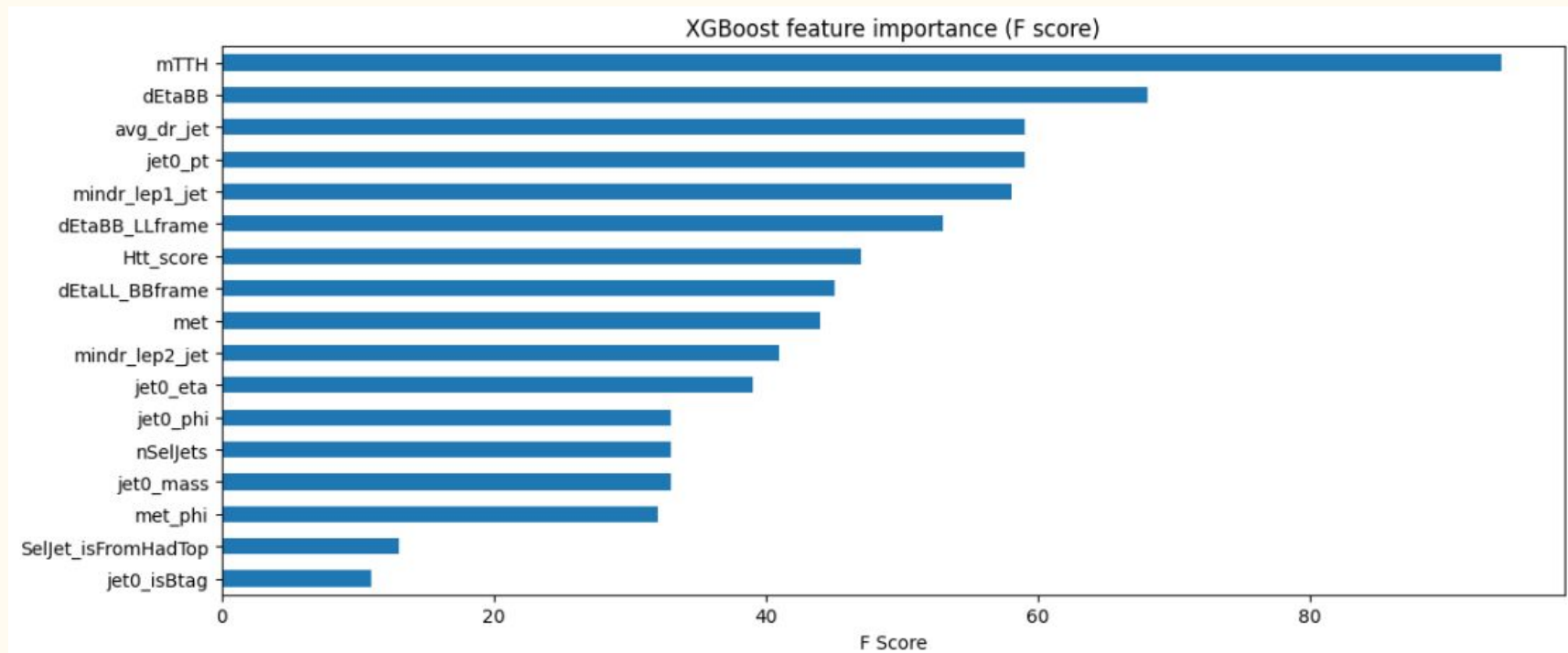
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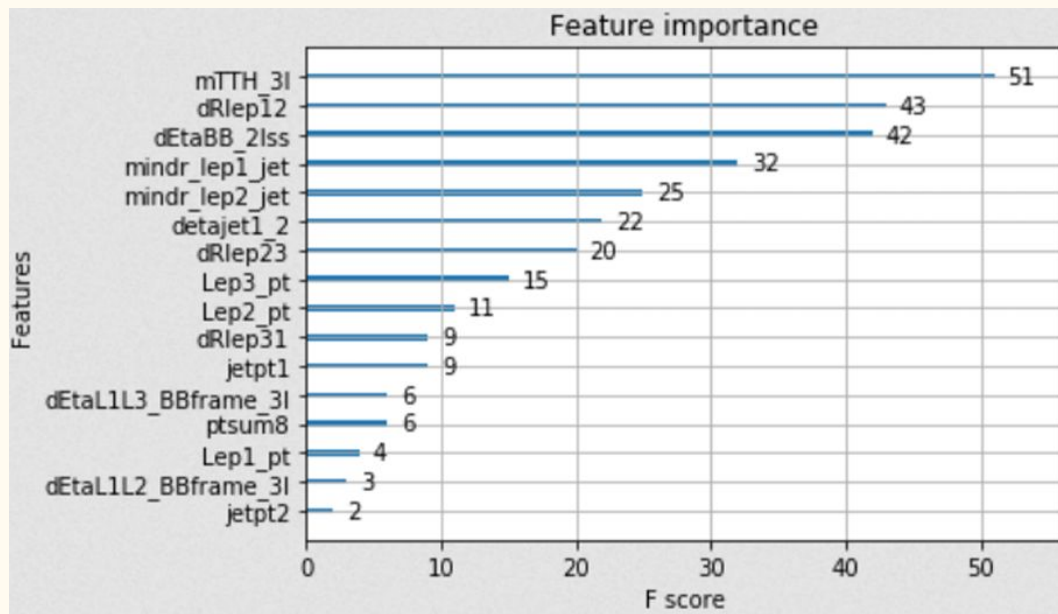
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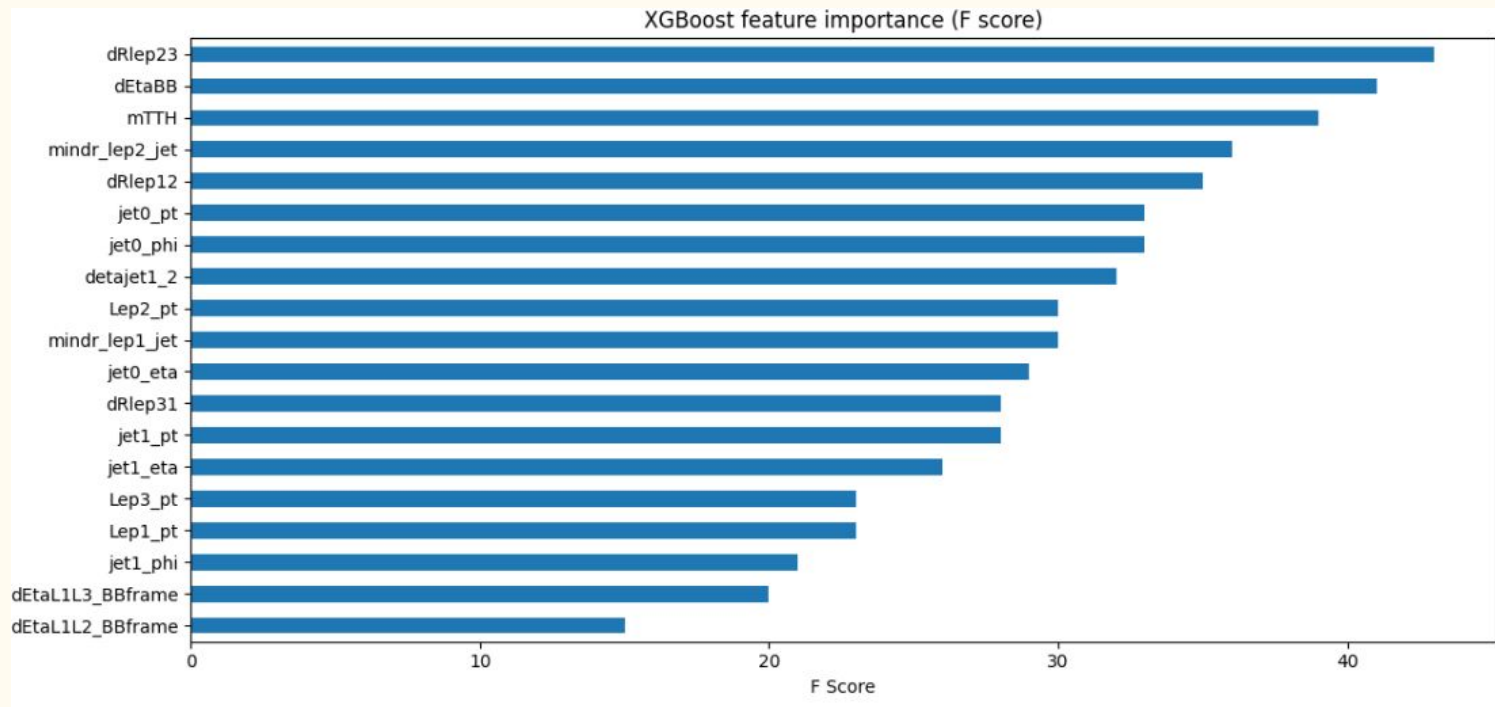
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# The Hyperparameters: Ranges and values used in Run 2

The hyperparameters used in the Run 2 analysis (from the CMS AN-20-241):

Table 10: Range of tested hyperparameters

Hyperparameter	Range	Explanation
learning_rate	[0.01,4]	the rate at which the algorithm learns
n_estimators	[100,1000]	the number of estimators (trees) used
max_depth	[3,6]	the depth of each tree (max. number of features per tree)
subsample	[0.8,1]	the amount of examples used to build each tree
colsample_bytree	[0.8,1]	the amount of features used to build each tree
gamma	0,1,5	a regularization parameter (either 0,1 or 5)
early_stopping	True,False	stops adding new trees if val. loss stops decreasing

Table 11: Optimal choice of BDT hyperparameters

Hyperparameter	$2\ell_{ss} + 0\tau_h$	$2\ell_{ss} + 1\tau$	$3\ell_{ss} + 0\tau_h$
learning_rate (=eta)	0.1	0.05	4
n_estimators	120	120	200
max_depth	4	4	2
subsample	0.8	0.8	1
colsample_bytree	1	1	1
gamma	1	5	0
early_stopping	True	False	True

# The Hyperparameters: Ranges used for retraining

The hyperparameter configurations from Run 2 were tried. After some further work, I made the following modifications:

1. always used `early_stopping`, which in turn made a large number of estimators redundant
2. `gamma = 5` was removed, as it gave overall worse results, and often different gamma values give the same output
3. the learning rate was capped at 2.5

Tabella 1: HyperParameters

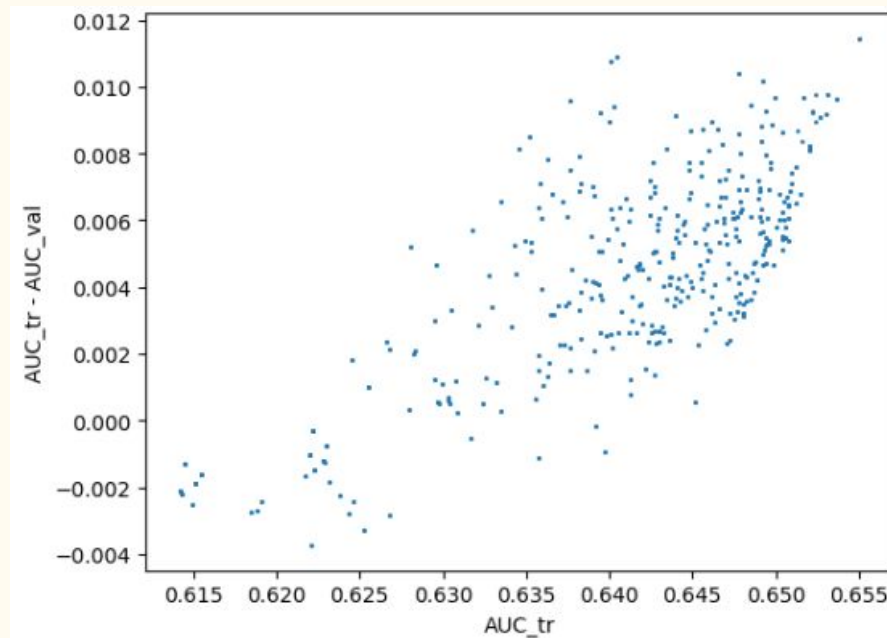
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Since each BDT took only a few seconds to train, a grid search was used to look for the best combinations of hyperparameters, by running over hundreds of possible combinations.

Afterwards the following plot was made. On the x-axis, the AUC for the training set for all hyperparameter combinations used. On the y axis, the difference between the AUC of the training and validation sets.

The hyperparameter combination taken was the one that gave the point that allowed to maximize the AUC while minimizing the difference between the AUC of the two sets:



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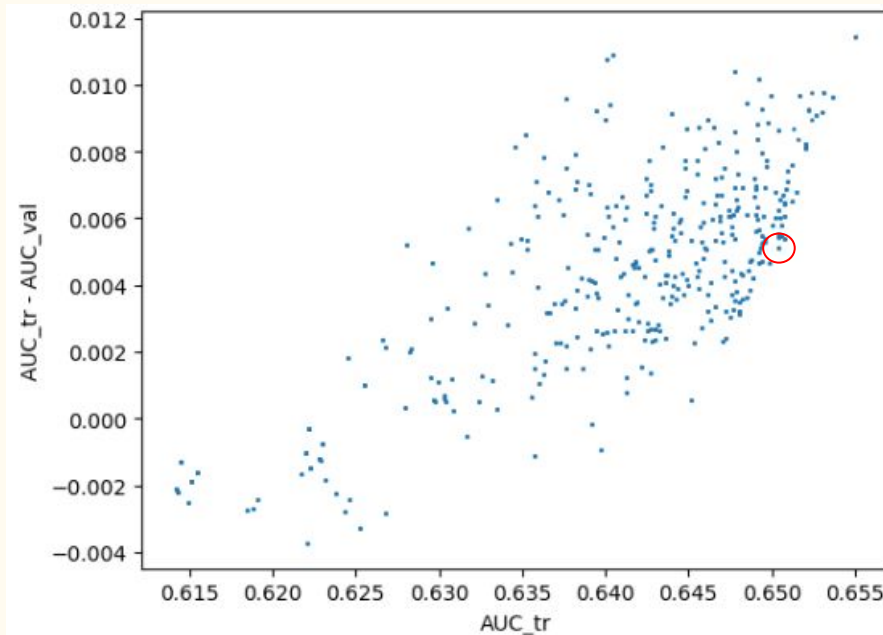
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Tabella 2: HyperParameters 2lss0tau

Hyperparameter	Range
learning_rate	0.26
n_estimators	1000
max_depth	3
subsample	0.95
colsample_bytree	1.0
gamma	1
early_stopping	True



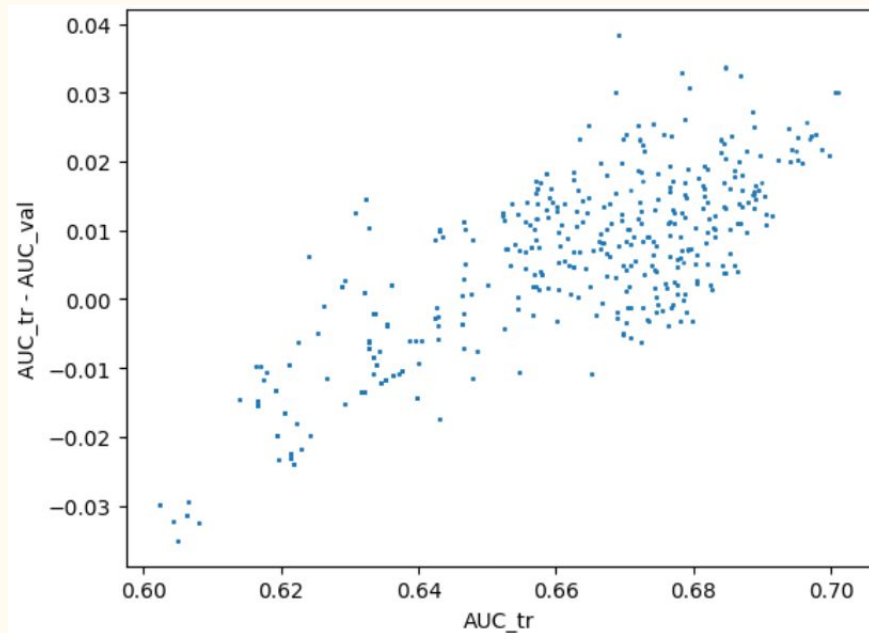


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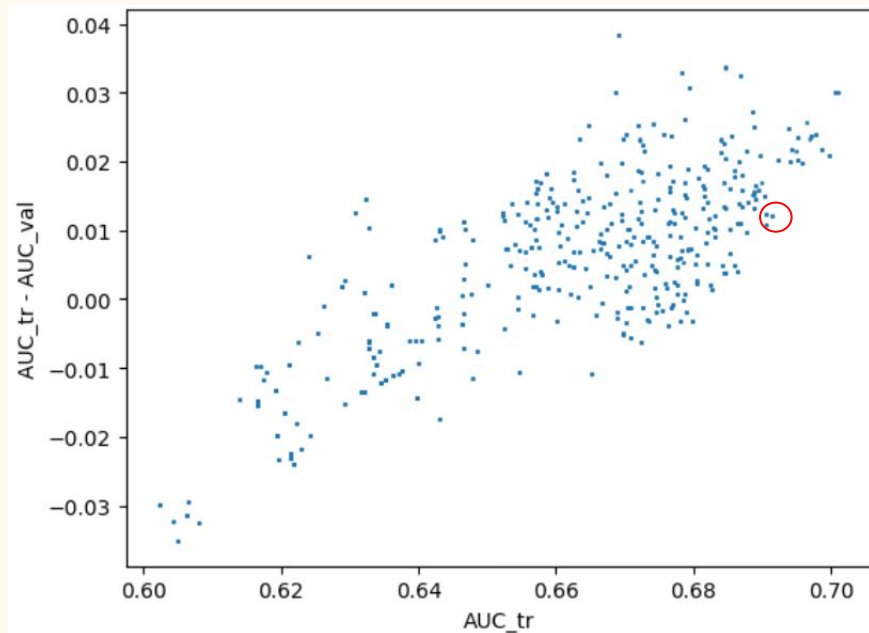
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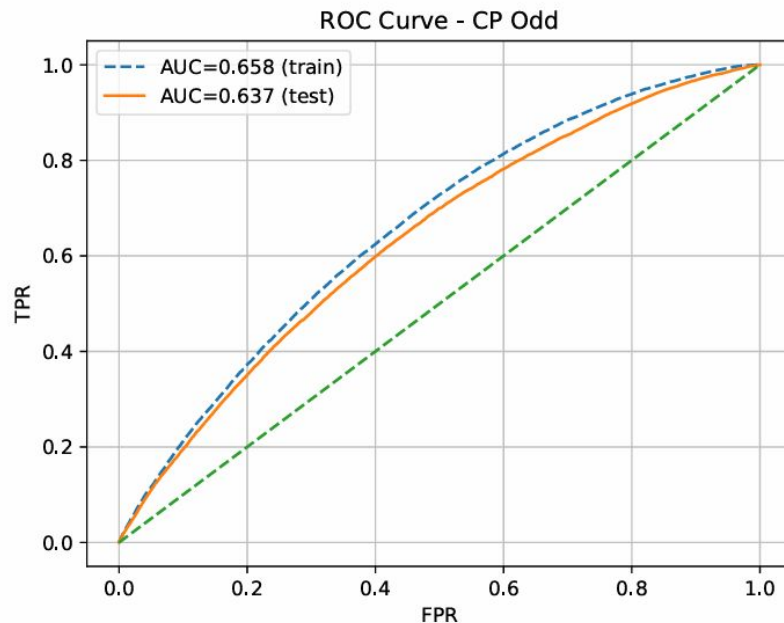
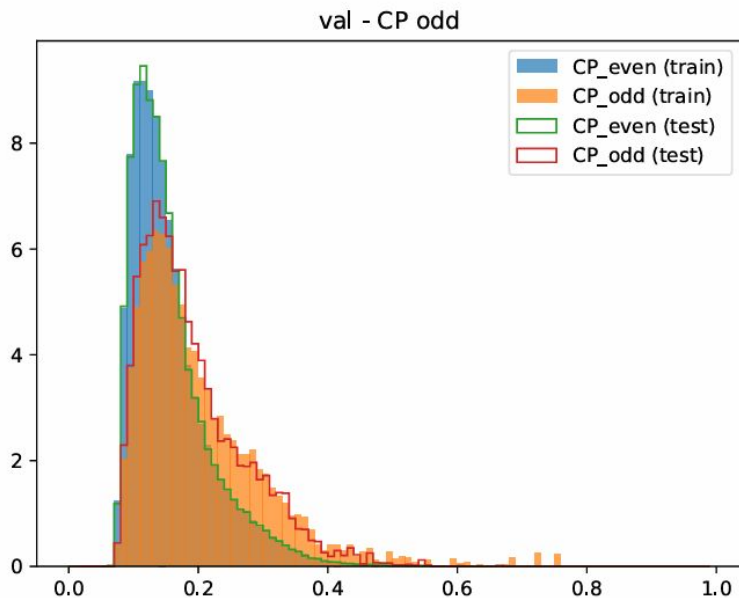
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Tabella 3: HyperParameters 3l0tau

Hyperparameter	Best value
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n_estimators	1000
max_depth	4
subsample	0.9
colsample_bytree	0.8
gamma	1
early_stopping	True

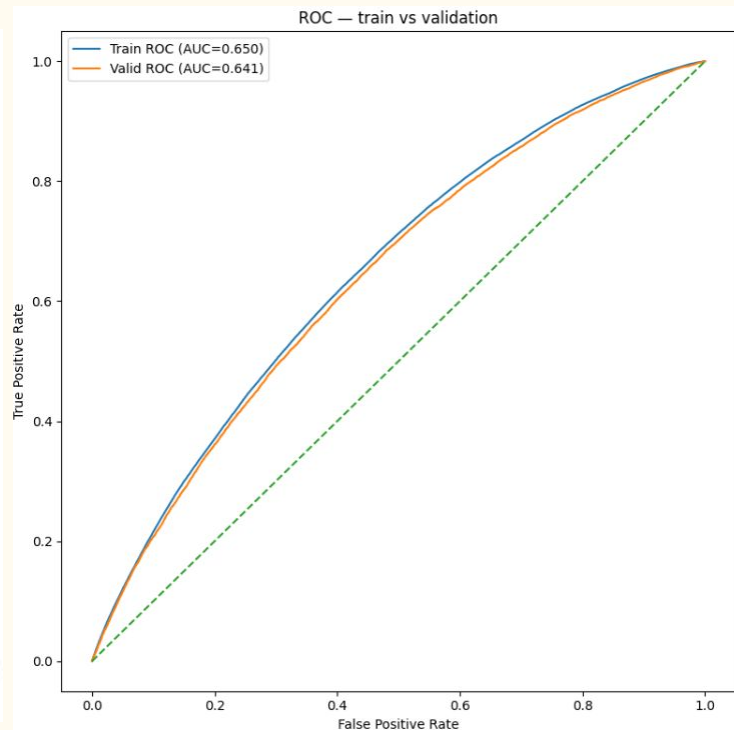
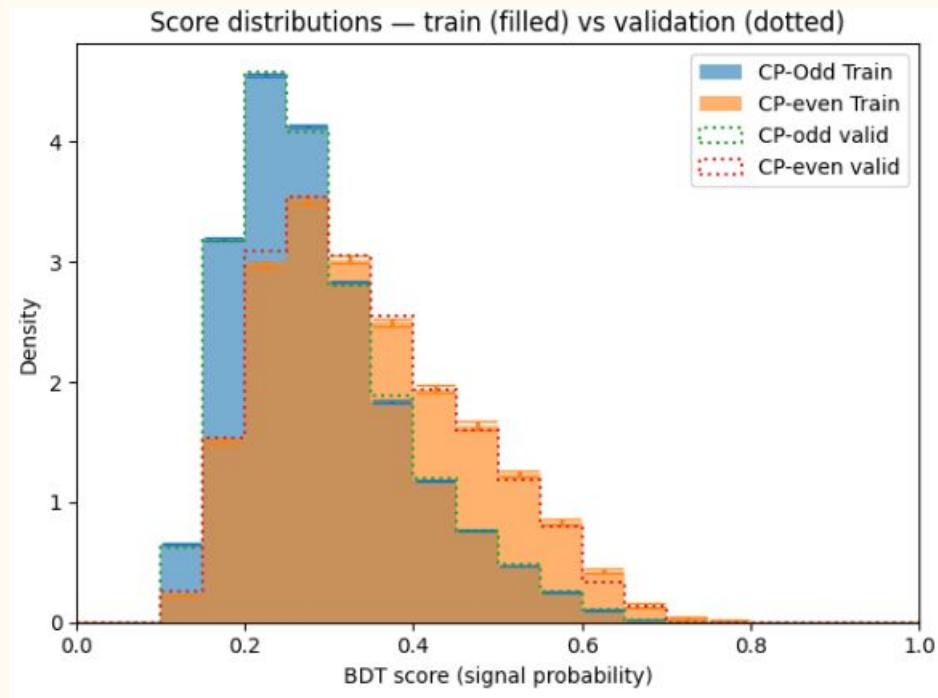


# The Output: score and ROC curve in Run 2 (2lss0tau)



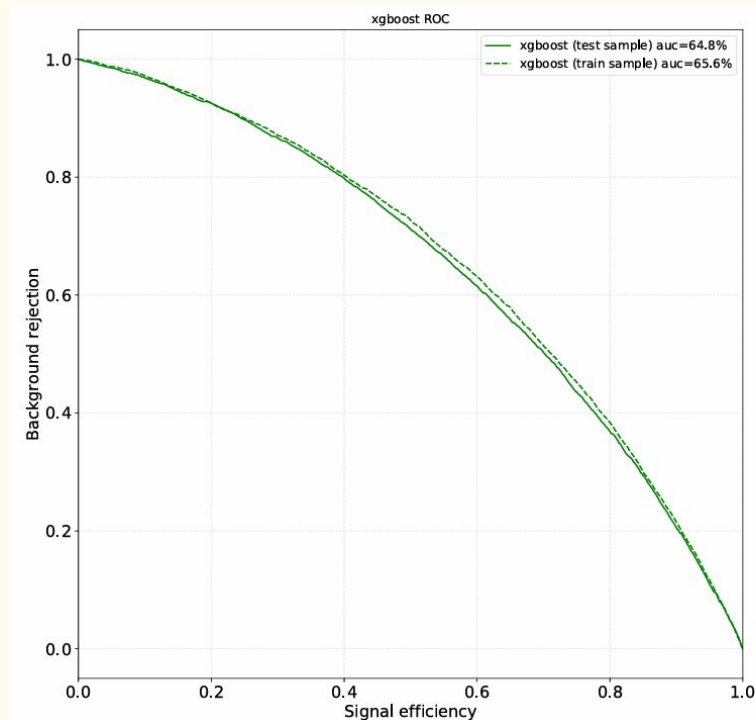
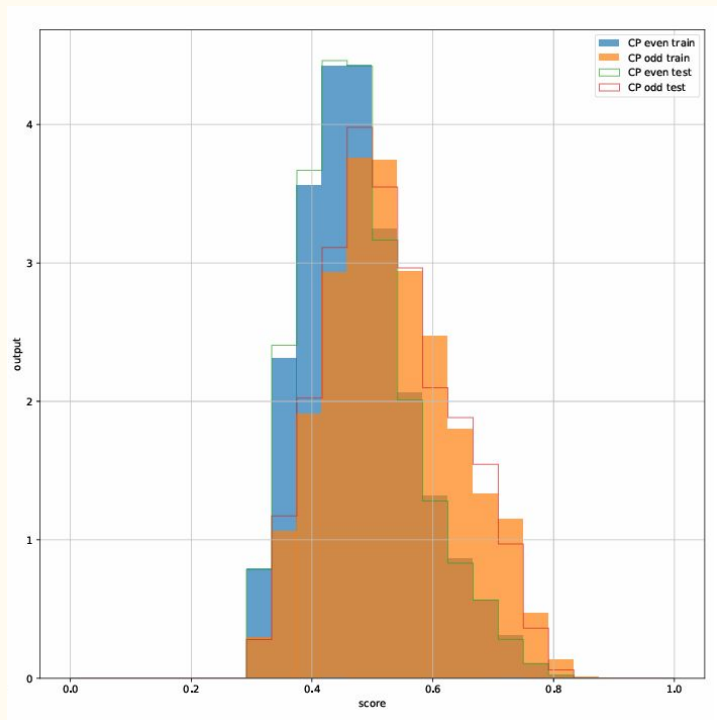
BDT score distributions for 2lss0tau for CP-even and CP-odd (left) and corresponding ROC curve with AUC=0.637 (right)

# My Output: score and ROC curve (2lss0tau)



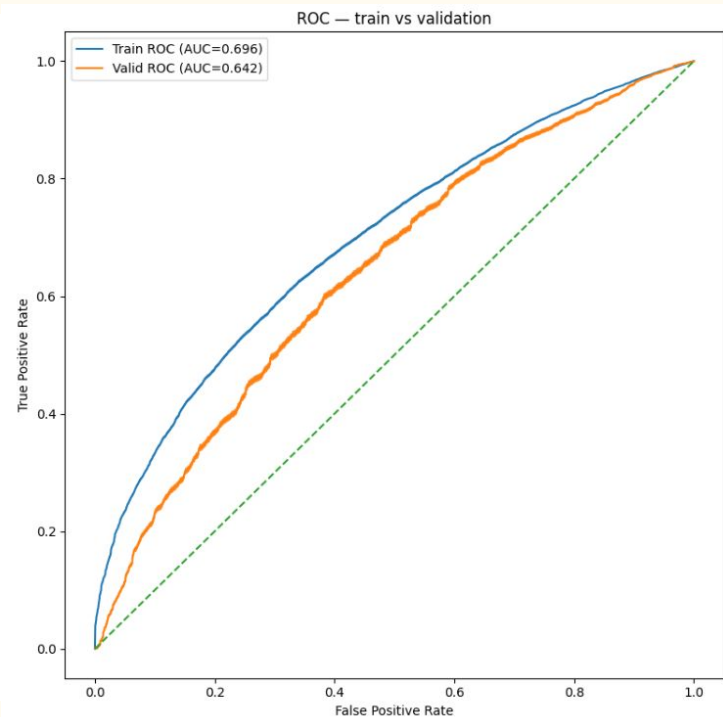
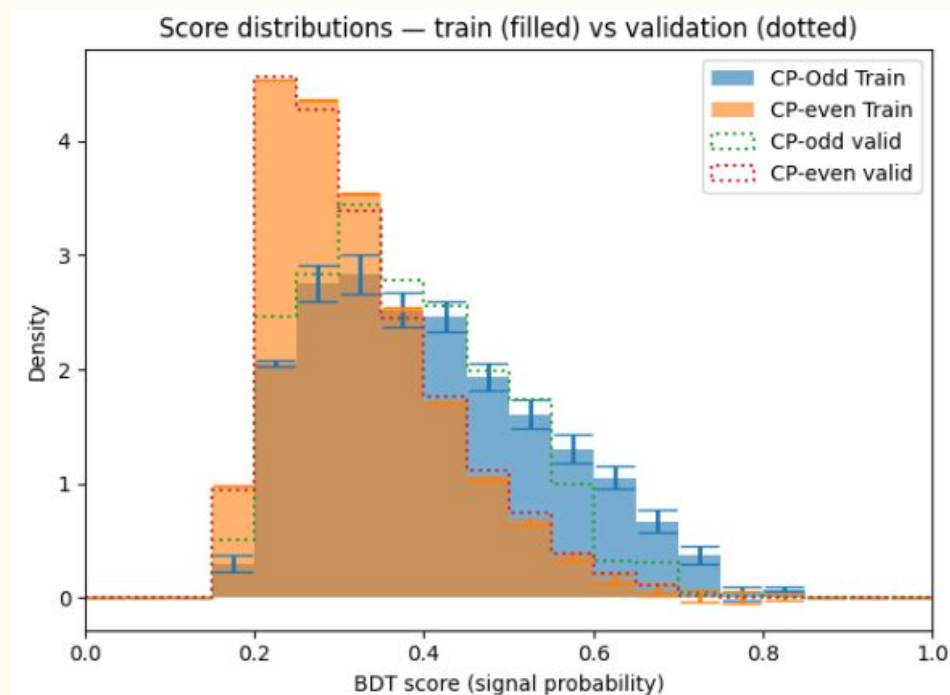
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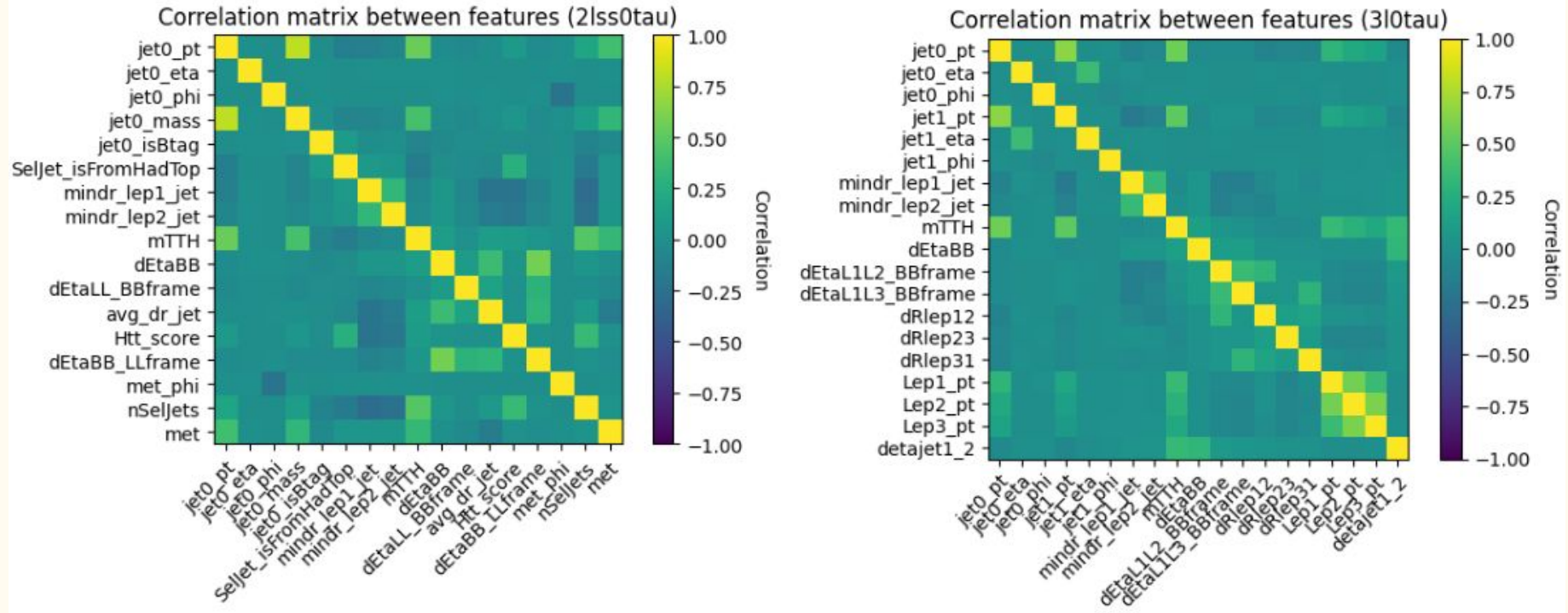
ROC curve for 3l0tau for CP-even and CP-odd with AUC = 0.648 (right) and corresponding predicted distribution (left)

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ROC curve for 3l0tau for CP-even and CP-odd (right) and corresponding predicted distribution with AUC = 0.696 (left)

# The Output: Correlation matrices in Run3



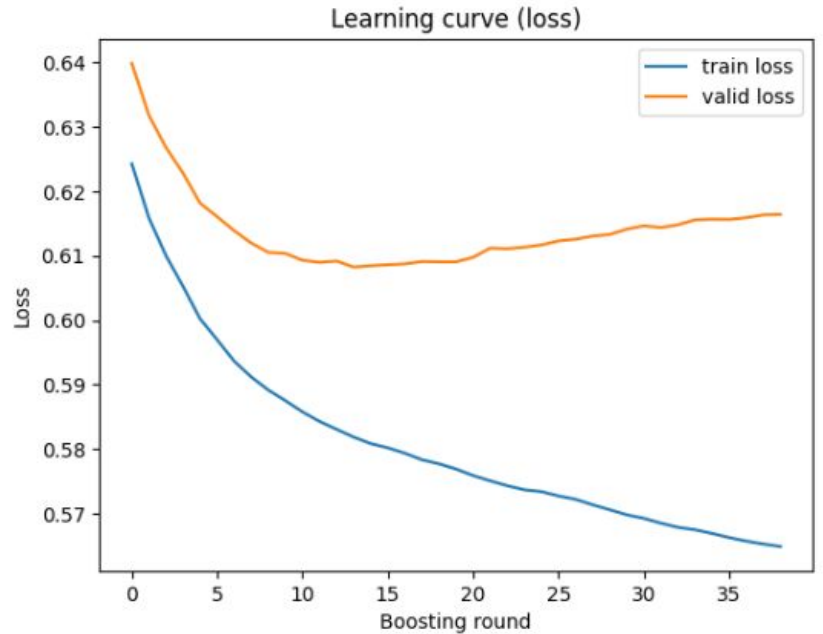
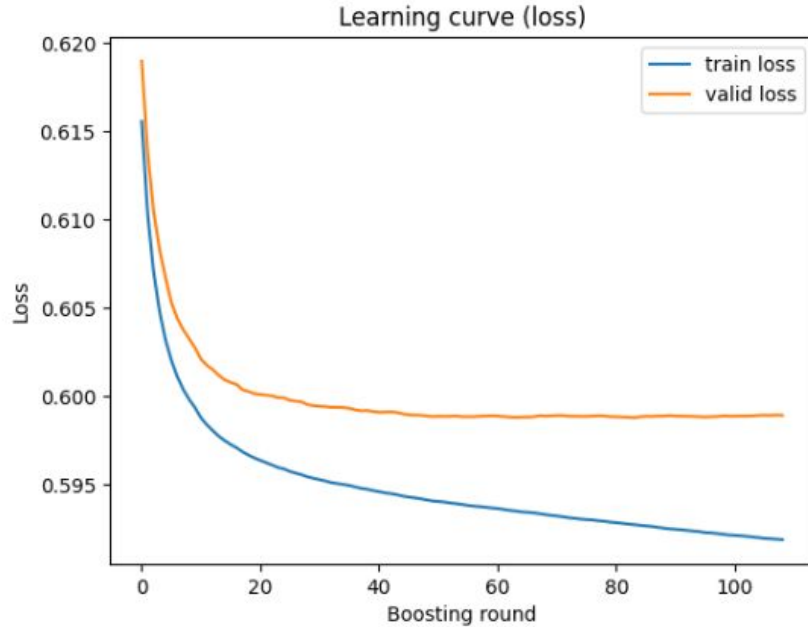
## Next steps:

- Try new variables suggested for CP-sensitive observables in the STXS formalism (from [arxiv:2406.03950](#))
- Apply (and maybe train) the BDT in the ttH node of the DNNs
- Implement the postmortem reweighting for the tHq and tHW samples, and retrain the BDT on those channels too
- Add missing variables from the AN
  - Higgs-Jet tagger needs synchronization



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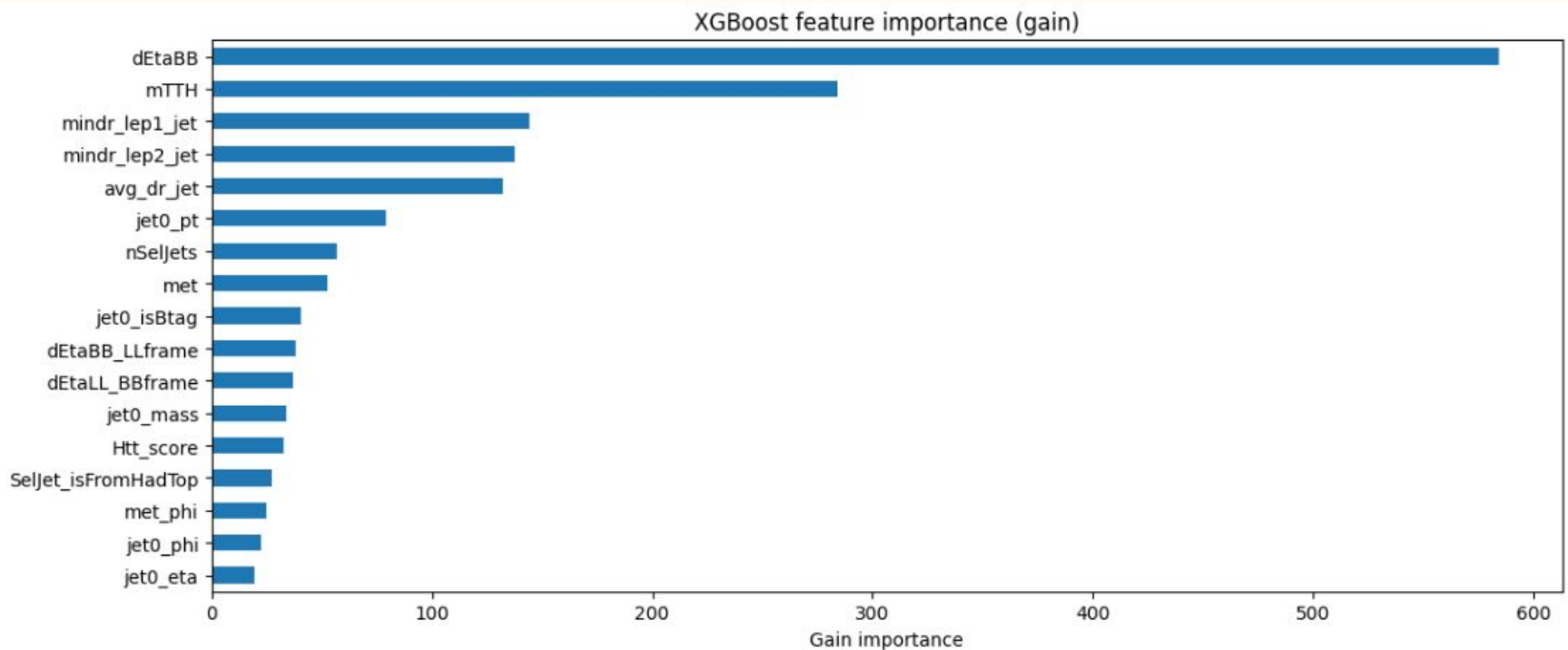
# The Output: Loss function



Loss functions along the boosting rounds for the 2lss0tau (left) and 3l0tau (right) BDTs

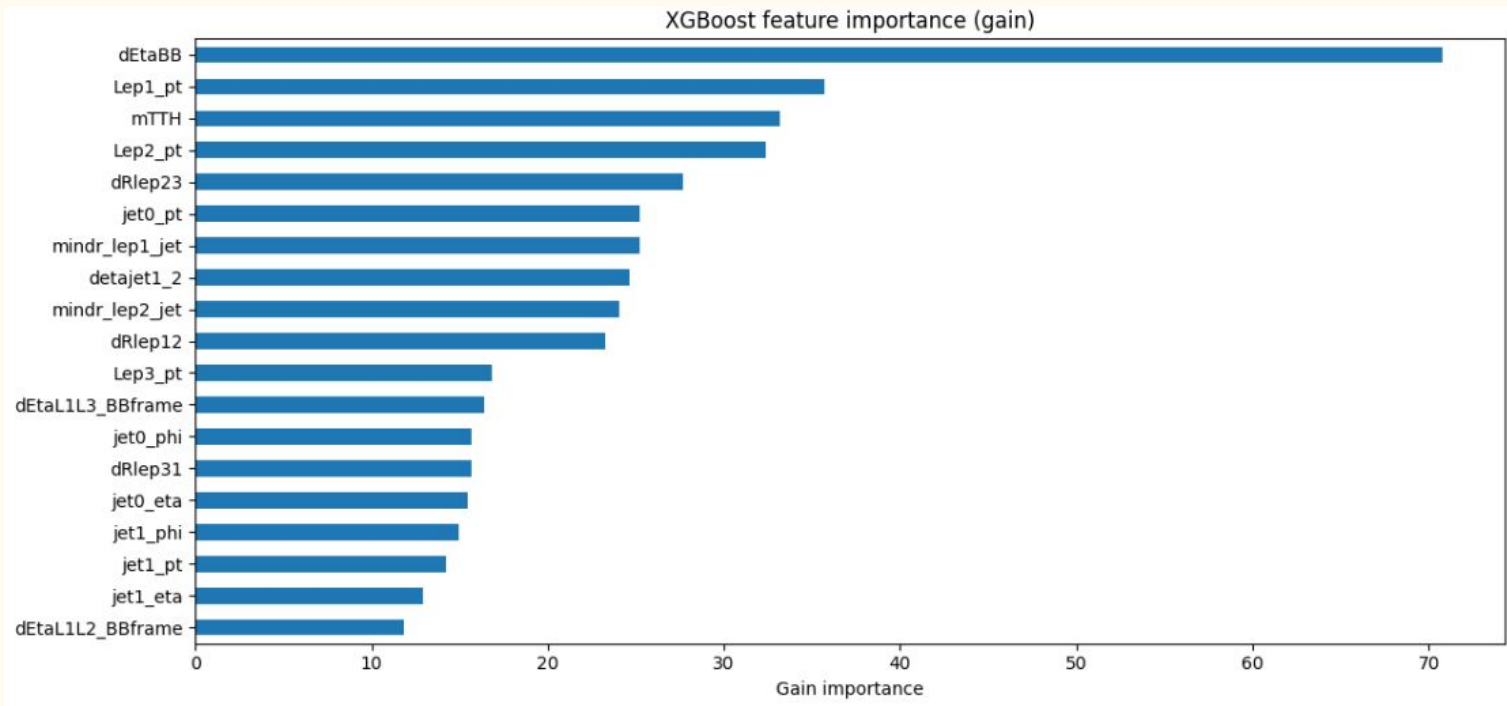
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# Variables from arXiv:2406.03950v2

observable	definition	frame
$p_{T,H}$	-	lab, $t\bar{t}$ , $t\bar{t}H$
$\Delta\eta_{t\bar{t}}$	$ \eta_t - \eta_{\bar{t}} $	lab, $H$ , $t\bar{t}H$
$\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}$	$ \phi_t - \phi_{\bar{t}} $	lab, $H$ , $t\bar{t}H$
$m_{t\bar{t}}$	$(p_t + p_{\bar{t}})^2$	frame-invariant
$m_{t\bar{t}H}$	$(p_t + p_{\bar{t}} + p_H)^2$	frame-invariant
$ \cos\theta^* $	$\frac{ \mathbf{p}_t \cdot \mathbf{n} }{ \mathbf{p}_t  \cdot  \mathbf{n} }$	$t\bar{t}$
$b_1$	$\frac{(\mathbf{p}_t \times \mathbf{n}) \cdot (\mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}} \times \mathbf{n})}{p_{T,t} p_{T,\bar{t}}}$	all
$b_2$	$\frac{(\mathbf{p}_t \times \mathbf{n}) \cdot (\mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}} \times \mathbf{n})}{ \mathbf{p}_t   \mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}} }$	all
$b_3$	$\frac{p_t^x p_{\bar{t}}^x}{p_{T,t} p_{T,\bar{t}}}$	all
$b_4$	$\frac{p_t^z p_{\bar{t}}^z}{ \mathbf{p}_t   \mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}} }$	all
$\phi_C$	$\arccos \left( \frac{ (\mathbf{p}_{p_1} \times \mathbf{p}_{p_2}) \cdot (\mathbf{p}_t \times \mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}}) }{ \mathbf{p}_{p_1} \times \mathbf{p}_{p_2}   \mathbf{p}_t \times \mathbf{p}_{\bar{t}} } \right)$	$H$

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