## Hadronic Reconstruction (with Machine Learning)

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### Jets at the LHC

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## When **quarks** or **gluons** are produced during a collision...

They "shower" into more gluons and quarks...

Which hadronize into stable (or unstable particles)

Need to measure not just a single particle, but hundreds per event (mostly **pions,** 2/3 charged, I/3 neutral)

This is a jet!

## The Hadronic Challenge



Measuring jets is a huge challenge: resolution is clearly reduced compared to other types of final states!

But the high branching ratio of the Higgs and possible new physics to jets still makes jets **critical** for searches and measurements

#### And new ideas can have a big impact!

NB: not covering jet substructure (though there's a lot of ML there!)— see Petr's talk

#### Why is Jet Resolution So Bad?

- Three main effects:
  - I. Pileup (won't talk much about this today)
  - 2. Fluctuations in fragmentation/ hadronization/etc. (will mention briefly)
  - Fluctuations in individual particle showers (focus of my talk)



### Differences in Fragmentation



Individual particle showers fluctuate, but so do the jets themselves: the number of hadrons can vary, the types of hadrons, and so on...

Lots of techniques, both with and without machine learning, can correct for some of these fluctuations and improve resolution



## Calorimetry at the LHC



ATLAS's and CMS's calorimeters built to measure particles within jets: record energy and location of interactions/depositions

However, different particles interact with the calorimeter differently:  $\pi^0$  decay to  $\gamma\gamma$ , while  $\pi^{\pm}$ are stable and interact directly

# Calorimeters and Showers



Our calorimeters are calibrated to the EM scale: EM showers (from  $e, \gamma, \pi^0$ ) are measured 'correctly'

Resolution is good: all showers are 'similar' Hadrons can also interact with nuclei: no way to measure this energy in ATLAS/CMS!

Every shower is unique: huge resolution penalty from variations

#### Hadronic Reconstruction, Today



One way to improve: use inner-detector tracks to measure hadrons whenever possible: significantly improved resolution in many cases!

#### Hadronic Reconstruction, Tomorrow

#### ML has improved jet calibration already...



GEANT Tracks



#### Can we also improve jet inputs with ML?



high pT jet

O(500 GeV

Calorimeter-Only Pion Reconstruction With Deep Learning

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Apologies for focusing on a single, biased example!

### Calorimeter-Only Calibrations

Traditionally, ATLAS has used the "Local Cell Weighting" technique for calorimeter-only jet reconstruction

 Classify topo-clusters as "EMlike" or "Hadronic-like"
Apply a calibration appropriate for EM or Hadronic pions

Features used are quite simple: depth and density. Can we do more with the high granularity calorimeter information?



### Average Pions



See expected differences:  $\pi^{\pm}$  are 'broader'



### Calorimeter Layers



Different calorimeter layers have different granularity

Here, show  $\pi^+$  in first three calorimeter layers

Three additional layers also available

Can consider these as 'RGB channels' in NNs

### Differences Between Pions



By just subtracting  $\pi^+$  from  $\pi^0$  images, can already visualize differences between EM and hadronic showers

Can deep learning classifiers use this information?

#### Classification

### Architectures

Three general classes of NN architecture studied

DNN: Large, deep networks with cells as direct inputs

CNN: use convolutions to extract useful features from different portions of the image

> DenseNet: Industry-designed, sophisticated CNN with information propagation



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### Classification ROC

Compare  $\pi^+$  efficiency vs  $\pi^0$  rejection (I/efficiency) for different algorithm

Compared to baseline, see huge performance Improvement: factor of 12x!

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### Classifier Correlation: $\pi^0$

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Here, calculate the correlation coefficient between each pixel and the classifier

Can visualize (very roughly) what the CNN is learning

Can see the physics we expected from the images!

### Energy Regressions

### Understanding Calibrations

Use simulated data To test energy calibrations: Know 'truth' from simulation

> Compare reconstructed energy to true energy, as a function of True energy

true energy [GeV]

Ideally: close to 1, and narrow distributions

reconstructed / true energy

0.5

### Correcting $\pi^+$

![](_page_20_Figure_1.jpeg)

At 'EM' scale, can see energy reconstruction issues for hadronic particles, like  $\pi^+$ 

Energy is *missed* due to non-measured nuclear interactions

Feature-based method corrects for this: see 'correct' energy scale for wide range of true energy, but over-compensation at low energy

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### **Regression Architectures**

Train regressions on pure  $\pi^0$  and  $\pi^+$  samples

Target: 'true' energy from simulation

Use similar NN architectures as for the classifier, but also include 'raw' energy

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## Comparing Results

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Scale goal: get close to 1

DNN outperforms default, and 'feature-based' correction! Resolution goal: get close to 0

DNN again outperforms other methods

#### Conclusions

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#### Better resolution can enable better physics at the LHC

Machine learning has already had a huge impact on jet calibrations and jet tagging

The next frontier is *low-level inputs to jets*: can we use our exquisite detector granularity to help jets catch up to other final states?

Can this be a big upgrade for Run 3? When can this go into the trigger?

Particularly exciting given upgrades (Phase I and Phase 2) for both exp.!

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### Thank you!

### Binned Performance

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- Also show the CNN (best architecture) performance in bins of energy
  - And compare to LC in bins of energy
- Results are encouraging: good performance over all energies!
  - Factor of 100x improvement for 10-50 GeV  $\pi^0$  rejection!

### Combining in a Mixed Sample

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- So far, evaluated only in pure samples
- Can also mix charged and neutral pions in 2:1 ratio to mimic jets
- Apply classifier at ~95%  $\pi^+$  efficiency, and then apply chosen regression
- Good performance! Better median and resolution than defaults

1.30 1.25 1.20 1.20 1.15

1.10

1.05

1.00

0.95

1.30

### **Comparing Results**

![](_page_28_Figure_2.jpeg)

Resolution goal: get close to 0

**DNN** again outperforms other methods

Scale goal: get close to 1

**DNN** outperforms default, and 'feature-based' correction!