

# Implementation of BDT and NN searches in



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Examples available at <https://github.com/CheckMATE2/checkmate2> but not yet merged into master branch

# CheckMATE for recasting

- CheckMATE is a general tool for recasting arbitrary model
- Accepts events as .hepmc, .lhe; integration with Pythia and MadGraph
- based on Delphes for detector simulation
- using existing LHC searches calculates a limit on a given parameter point
- From SLHA file to the limit in one click
- one can easily constrain models that were not covered in the original ATLAS/CMS search
- currently more than 40 searches at 13 TeV coded, including 14 with full luminosity
- long-lived particles branch
- <https://checkmate.hepforge.org/> and <https://github.com/CheckMATE2/checkmate2>



NN example  
arXiv: 2106.09609

# Arxiv:2106.09609

- Search for RPV-SUSY in final states with leptons and many jets (0 or 3 b-tagged)
- Signal regions count the number of jets with different  $p_T$  thresholds; in general 6-15 jets, at least 1 lepton
- Target: stops, gluino and EW higgsinos/winos
- EW signal: neutralino  $\rightarrow$  tbs; chargino  $\rightarrow$  bbs
- EW SR: 1 lepton, =6 jets,  $\geq 4$  b-jets, NN discriminant
- NN released as ONNX files (in total 5, each for different jet multiplicity 4,5,6,7,8); unfortunately, very little information is provided

# NN and CheckMATE implementation

- Using ONNX Runtime, <https://onnxruntime.ai>
- C++ library, analysis is performed on event-by-event basis
- NN has 65 inputs: jets energy, rapidity, azimuth; MET, b-jet multiplicity; distance between jets and leading lepton, etc; some high-level combinations of jet momenta (as invariant masses);
- Problematic: b-tagging score for each jet based on DLR1 b-tagging algorithm (the pseudocode takes fixed values: 5 for b-jet; 1 for non-b-jet)

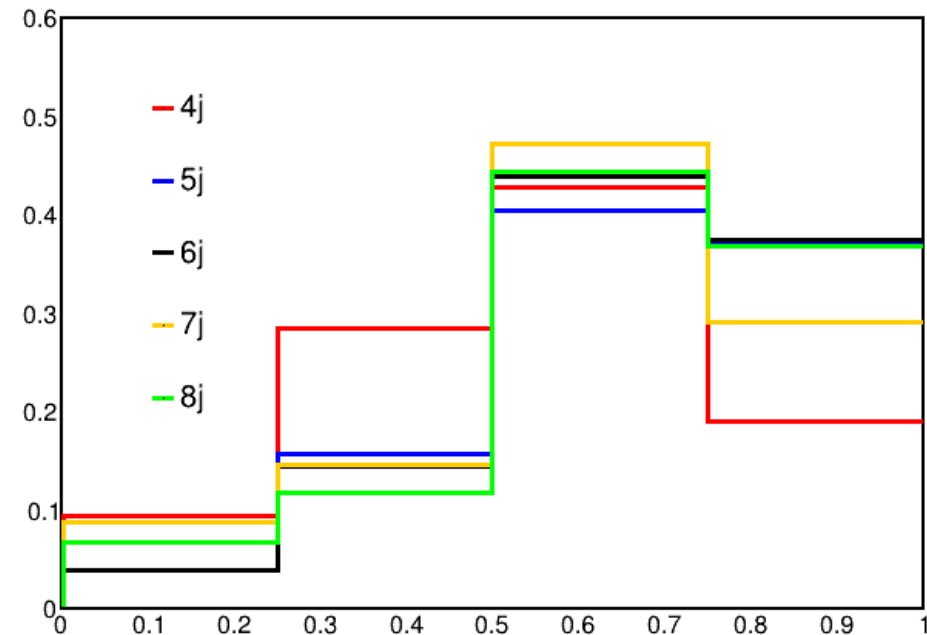
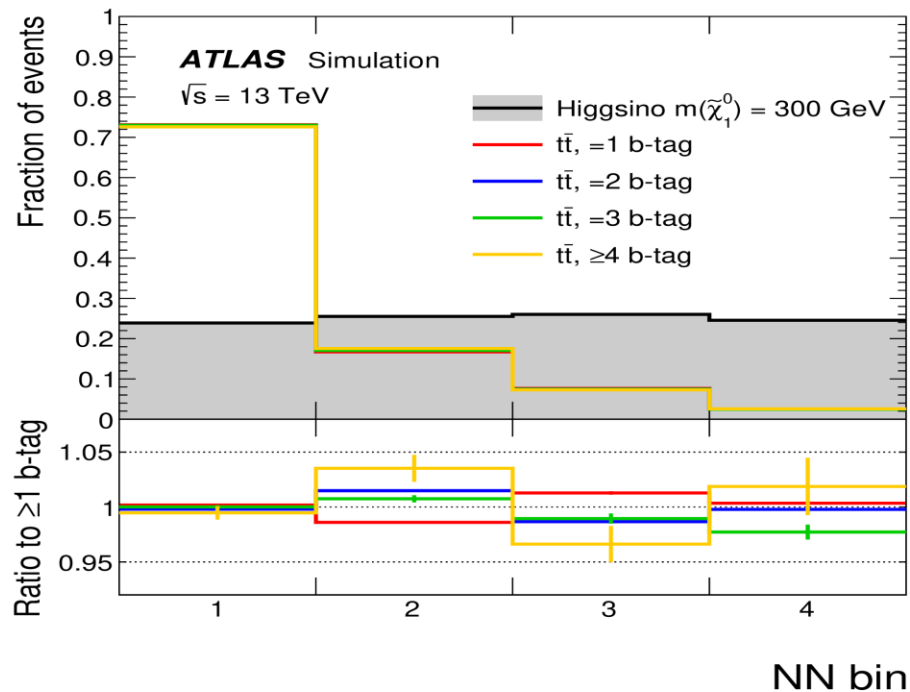
## Validation - cutflow

- Pretty much everything went wrong
- Clearly a problem with lepton id
- Too few events with high jet multiplicity
- After b-tagging things look better
- After NN inference the results are somewhat random
- (not surprising after looking at the histogram)

$\tilde{\chi}_{1,2} \rightarrow tbs$	ATLAS	CheckMATE
All	14491	14491
Lead lep $p_T > 27$ GeV	5413	3304
== 4 jets	681	549
== 5 jets	1101	766
== 6 jets	1188	734
== 7 jets	840	466
== 8 jets	420	186
== 4 jets, $\geq 4b$	7	5.4
== 5 jets, $\geq 4b$	29	33
== 6 jets, $\geq 4b$	57	43
== 7 jets, $\geq 4b$	61	41
== 8 jets, $\geq 4b$	39	21
NN <sub>4j</sub> bin 4	2.9	0.7
NN <sub>5j</sub> bin 4	8.7	6
NN <sub>6j</sub> bin 4	17.4	11
NN <sub>7j</sub> bin 4	18.9	19
NN <sub>8j</sub> bin 4	14.5	10

# Validation

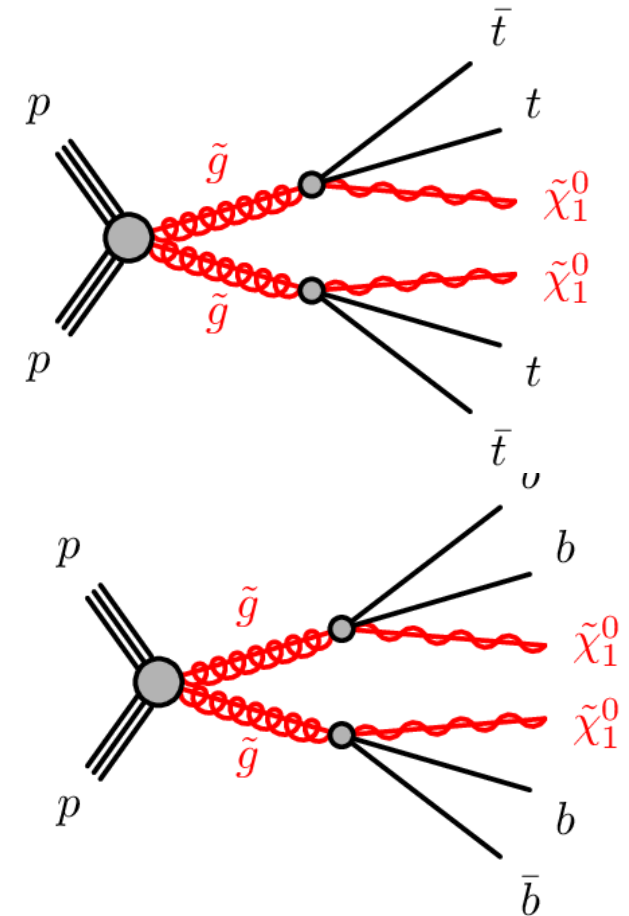
- Cutflows do not seem very useful; compare figures of NN output (unclear definitions of "bins" though)
- In ATLAS NN says "whatever" for the signal
- Should be insensitive to b-tag, but it's not apparent in recast (e.g. large variation when using different b-tag scores)





Another NN example  
arXiv: 2211.08028

- Search for gluinos decaying to 3rd generation quarks
- Final state: at least 4 jets, at least 3 b-tagged jets, MET, 0-1 leptons (more allowed in NN analysis)
- 8 NN signal regions: 4 for gluino decaying to top pair and 4 for gluino decaying to bottom pair (still it is one net)
- The choice of the desired SR is via the last three inputs (l.e. decay type, and target masses)
- The NN has 87 input parameters: jet (small and large R) momenta, lepton momenta, MET and b-tag category (binary)
- The output gives separate background and signal probabilities



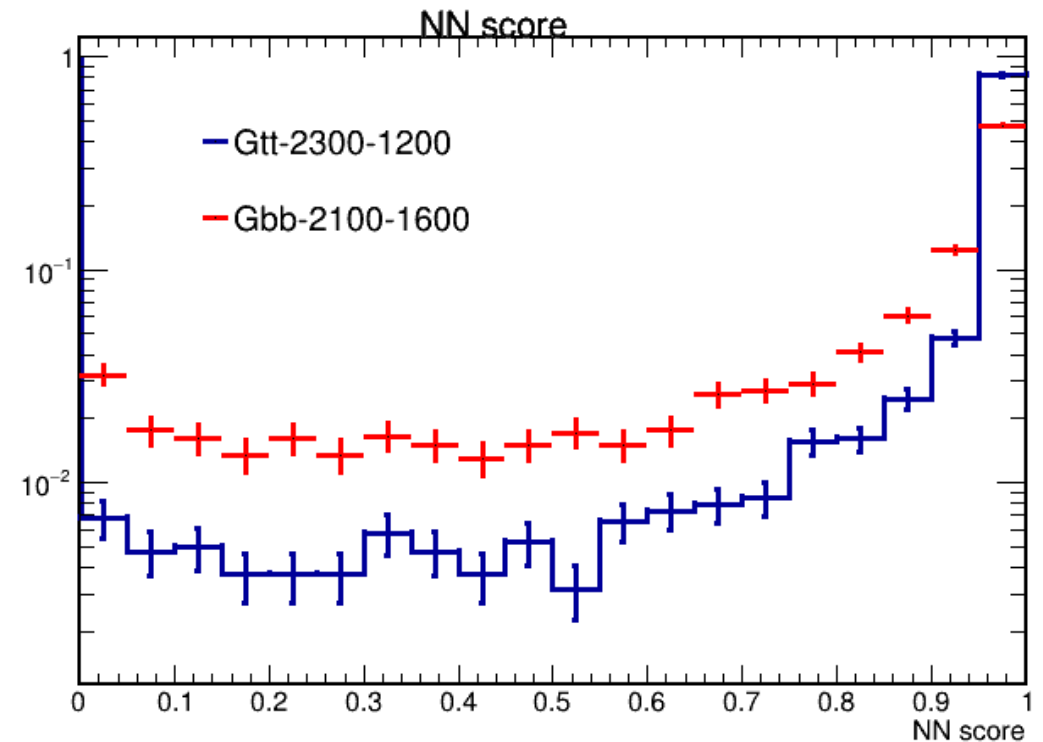
# Validation

- Reasonable agreement across all channels
- The efficiency somewhat lower but similar and consistent effect also seen for cut-and-count analysis (suspected problem with signal MC generation?)
- This is still a preprint so not too much material for comparison and testing was rather quick

	ATLAS	CheckMATE
Gtt selection		
Common requirem.	7.66	7.30
SR-Gtt-2100-1	2.63	1.94
SR-Gtt-1800-1	2.80	2.11
SR-Gtt-2300-1200	2.95	2.62
SR-Gtt-1900-1400	0.19	0.27
Gbb selection		
Common requirem.	80	65
SR-Gbb-2800-1400	22	14
SR-Gbb-2300-1000	21	14
SR-Gbb-2100-1600	6.20	6.80
SR-Gbb-2000-1800	0.19	0.58

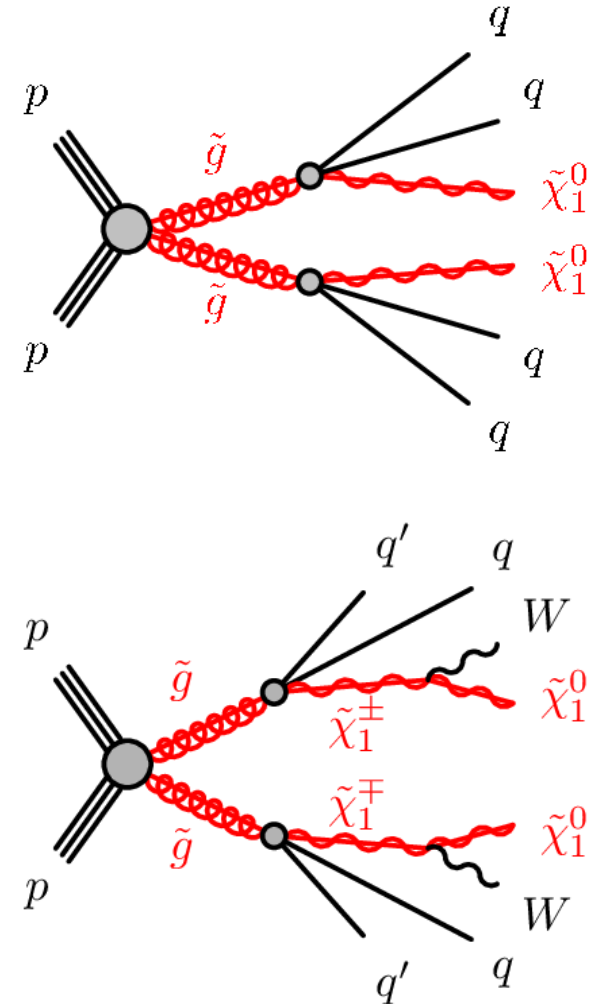
# NN output comparison

- True signal is Gtt  $m_{\text{gluino}} = 2400$ ,  $m_{\text{neut}} = 1000$
- Target signal for Gtt-2300-1200
- Less compatible with Gbb as it should be
- The last bin pronounced for Gbb but the cutoff is at 0.9993 so the acceptance is actually very low
- No figures from ATLAS for comparison yet



# Boosted Decision Tree example

- Search for squarks and gluinos
- Final state: 2-6 jets + MET
- Principal variables:  $m_{\text{eff}}$ , leading jet  $p_T$  and MET
- Multi-bin signal regions (-> Iñaki talk this morning)
- 8 boosted decision tree SRs, targeting gluino production with direct and indirect decays
- BDT weights released as .xml files for using with ROOT Toolkit for Multivariate Data Analysis -- TMVA



# Validation

- Generally excellent agreement
- Here example for model-independent discovery channels
- See Iñaki's talk for details of multi-bin fits and validation
- Full note:

[checkmate.hepforge.org](https://checkmate.hepforge.org)

	Selection	$m_{\tilde{g}} = 1200 \text{ GeV}$ $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} = 600 \text{ GeV}$		$m_{\tilde{g}} = 1400 \text{ GeV}$ $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} = 600 \text{ GeV}$		$m_{\tilde{g}} = 1600 \text{ GeV}$ $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} = 400 \text{ GeV}$	
		ATLAS	CM	ATLAS	CM	ATLAS	CM
Generated MC events		10000	10000	6000	10000	6000	10000
Common Requirements	Preselection, $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 300 \text{ GeV}$ ,						
	$p_T(j_1) > 200 \text{ GeV}$ , $m_{\text{eff}} > 800 \text{ GeV}$	1763	1780	541	546	174	176
	jet multiplicity $\geq 2$	1763	1780	541	546	174	176
	Cleaning cuts	1746	–	535	–	173	–
SR-2j-1600	$\Delta\phi(j_{1,2,(3)}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.8$	1433	1434	431	433	136	139
	$\Delta\phi(j_{i>3}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.4$	1377	1353	411	410	129	130
	$p_T(j_2) > 250 \text{ GeV}$	853	850	311	310	111	112
	$ \eta(j_{1,2})  < 2.0$	836	832	306	305	109	110
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}/\sqrt{H_T} > 16 \text{ GeV}^{1/2}$	568	554	228	227	86.4	87.3
	$m_{\text{eff}}(\text{incl.}) > 1600 \text{ GeV}$	366	362	202	195	83.5	84.2
SR-2j-2200	$\Delta\phi(j_{1,2,(3)}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.4$	1603	1619	483	492	156	158
	$\Delta\phi(j_{i>3}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.2$	1567	1566	470	476	151	153
	$p_T(j_1) > 600 \text{ GeV}$	509	514	269	259	120	121
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}/\sqrt{H_T} > 16 \text{ GeV}^{1/2}$	337	339	201	188	94.6	95.7
	$m_{\text{eff}}(\text{incl.}) > 2200 \text{ GeV}$	101	96	108	101	76.1	76.4
SR-2j-2800	$\Delta\phi(j_{1,2,(3)}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.8$	1433	1434	431	433	136	138
	$\Delta\phi(j_{i>3}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.4$	1377	1352	411	410	129	130
	$p_T(j_2) > 250 \text{ GeV}$	853	850	311	311	111	112
	$ \eta(j_{1,2})  < 1.2$	655	653	235	239	82.3	84.3
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}/\sqrt{H_T} > 16 \text{ GeV}^{1/2}$	439	433	173	178	64.6	66.4
	$m_{\text{eff}}(\text{incl.}) > 2800 \text{ GeV}$	15.6	10.5	18.8	15.1	29.1	27.0

# BDT input

Input variables	GGd1	GGd2	GGd3	GGd4
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	•	–	•	
$p_T(j)$ [GeV]	$p_T(j_1), p_T(j_2), p_T(j_3), p_T(j_4)$			
$\eta(j)$	$\eta(j_1), \eta(j_2), \eta(j_3), \eta(j_4)$			
Aplanarity	•			–
$m_{\text{eff}}$ [GeV]	•			
Total number of input variables	11	10	11	10

Input variables	GGo1	GGo2	GGo3	GGo4
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	–			•
$p_T(j)$ [GeV]	$p_T(j_1), p_T(j_2), p_T(j_3),$ $p_T(j_4), p_T(j_5)$	$p_T(j_1), p_T(j_2),$ $p_T(j_3), p_T(j_4)$	$p_T(j_1), p_T(j_2), p_T(j_3),$ $p_T(j_5), p_T(j_6)$	$p_T(j_1), p_T(j_2),$ $p_T(j_3), p_T(j_4)$
$\eta(j)$	$\eta(j_1), \eta(j_2), \eta(j_3),$ $\eta(j_4), \eta(j_5)$	$\eta(j_1), \eta(j_2),$ $\eta(j_3), \eta(j_4)$	$\eta(j_1), \eta(j_2), \eta(j_3),$ $\eta(j_5), \eta(j_6)$	$\eta(j_1), \eta(j_2),$ $\eta(j_3), \eta(j_4)$
Aplanarity	•			–
$m_{\text{eff}}$ [GeV]	•			
Total number of input variables	12	10	12	10



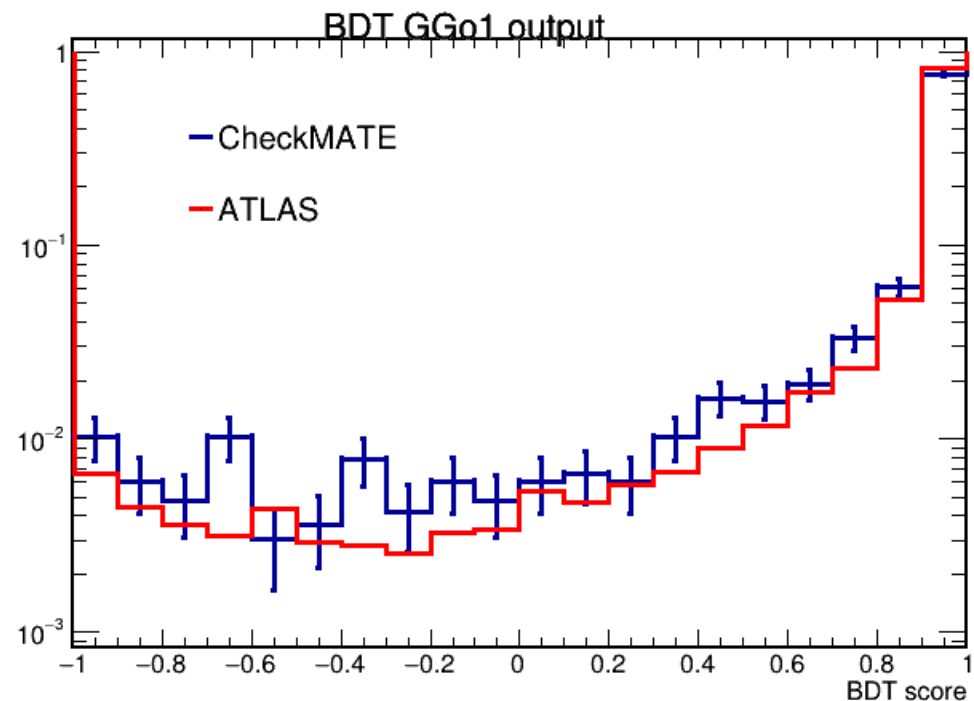
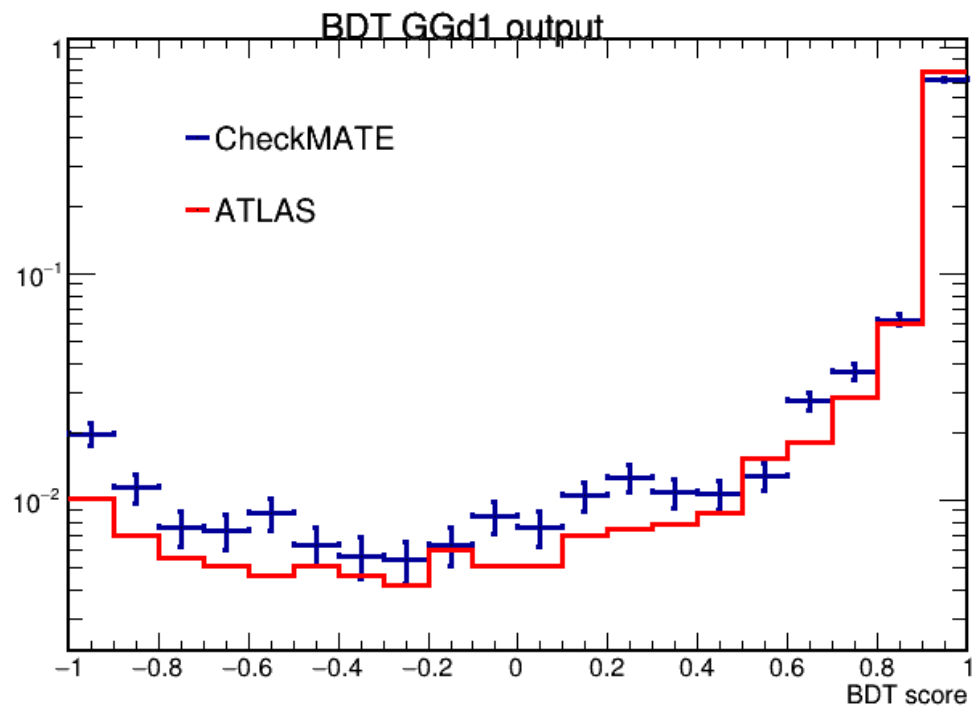
# BDT validation

- Each SR targets direct gluino decays for specific range in  $\Delta m = m_{\tilde{g}} - m_{\text{neut}}$
- GGd1:  $\Delta m = 1600\text{-}1900\text{ GeV}$
- GGd2:  $\Delta m = 1000\text{-}1400\text{ GeV}$
- GGd3:  $\Delta m = 600\text{-}1000\text{ GeV}$
- GGd4:  $\Delta m = 200\text{-}600\text{ GeV}$
- Overall, very good agreement

$m_{\tilde{g}}$	2200		2200		1800		1400	
$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$	500		1000		1000		1000	
	A	C	A	C	A	C	A	C
GGd1	14.1	12.5	7.04	5.5	5.5	4.2	3.0	3.0
GGd2	14.3	13.4	11.4	10.1	19.4	14.3	8.8	9.9
GGd3	14.4	14.1	14.4	13.8	71.7	62.0	49.1	43.7
GGd3	2.9	3.4	6.0	6.1	60.5	54.0	89.6	85.8

A = ATLAS; C = CheckMATE

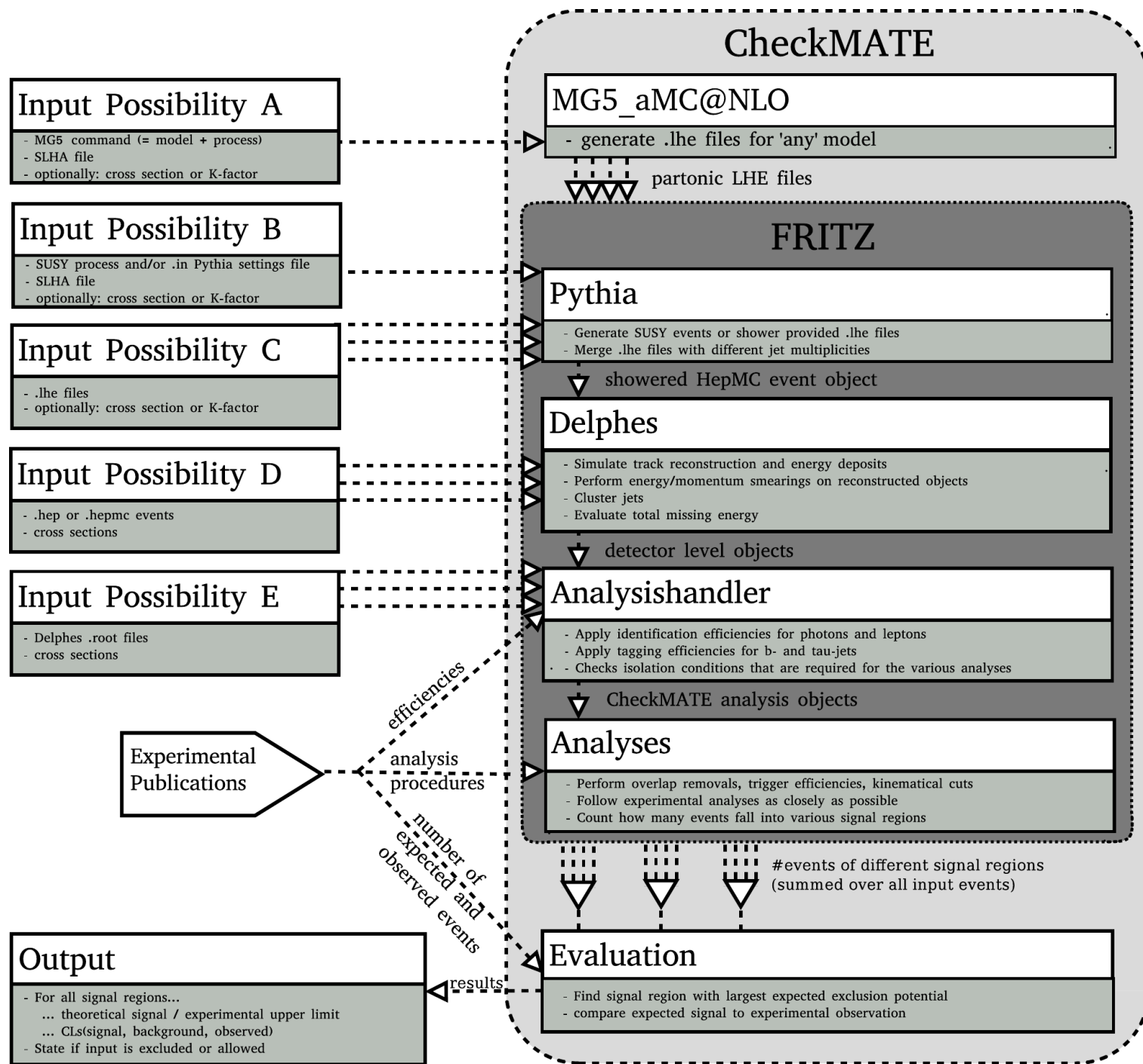
# BDT output comparison



- Both signal regions show good agreement
- GGd1 = direct decay; GGo1 = one step decay

# Conclusions

- Mixed experience with NN: one search is generally problematic the other one was pretty straightforward
- ONNX is heavyweight but with 2 examples got some confidence
- Analysis pseudocodes are invaluable for understanding details of inference
- Comparison with SimpleAnalysis would be super useful
- BDT implementation without problems, good agreement even at the detailed comparison
- At the technical level TMVA, ONNX, and probably lwttnn can be integrated in CheckMATE (anything in C++ should be fine)
- A common ROOT interface would be a preferred solution though





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