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# Machine-enhanced CP-asymmetries in the Higgs sector

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# Relevant Operators in SMEFT

Dim-6 Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_i,$$

Higgs-Gauge EW boson interactions:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\Phi \tilde{B}} = \Phi^\dagger \Phi B^{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathcal{O}_{\Phi \tilde{W}} = \Phi^\dagger \Phi W^{i\mu\nu} \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^i,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\Phi \tilde{W} B} = \Phi^\dagger \sigma^i \tilde{W}^{i\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu}.$$

# Observable effects at LHC

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = |\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}|^2 + \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} 2 \Re \left[ \mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}} \mathcal{M}_{\text{d6},i}^* \right] + \frac{c_i c_j}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{M}_{\text{d6},i} \mathcal{M}_{\text{d6},j}^* ,$$

Leading order deviation from SM comes from interference terms

**CP Sensitive Observables** – angular observables, matrix-element method

Exploits full-kinematic information but very time/resource consuming

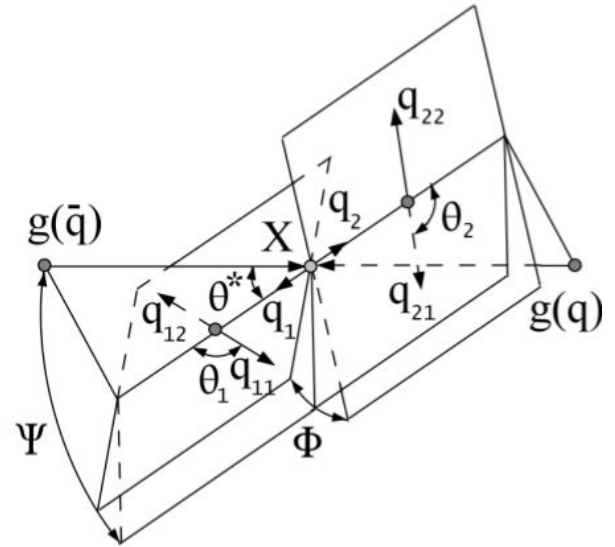
# CP sensitive observables

$$\Phi_{4\ell} = \frac{\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{n}}_1 \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}_2)}{|\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{n}}_1 \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}_2)|} \times \cos^{-1}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}_2),$$

Normal vectors to the  
planes

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{q}_{11} \times \mathbf{q}_{12}}{|\mathbf{q}_{11} \times \mathbf{q}_{12}|} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\mathbf{n}}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{q}_{21} \times \mathbf{q}_{22}}{|\mathbf{q}_{21} \times \mathbf{q}_{22}|}.$$

$$\mathbf{q}_\alpha = \mathbf{q}_{\alpha 1} + \mathbf{q}_{\alpha 2}$$



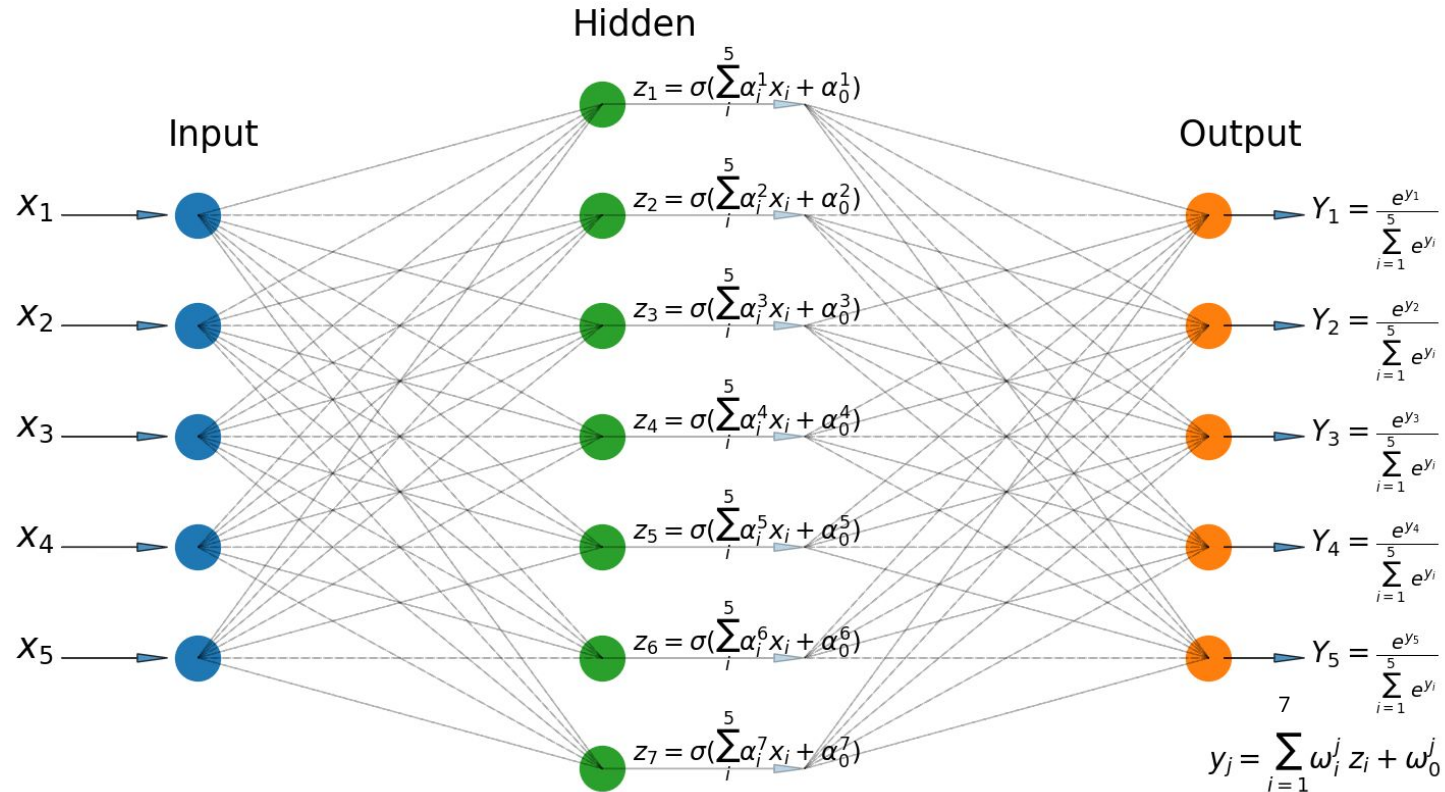
Classic Angular Variable [PRD 86, 095031 \(2012\)](#)

# CP-odd observables from machine learning algorithms

CP-asymmetries arise from the interference between SM and CP-odd amplitudes:

- Neural networks (NN) offer an easy way to understand these asymmetries.
  - generate interference-only contribution to process (Madgraph5, SMEFTSim)
  - split sample into positive-weights and negative-weights.
  - train NN to distinguish between the two samples (binary classification)
  - easy to include Standard-Model contribution in NN (multiclass)
- Options with trained network:
  - construct observable from NN classifications, i.e
  - improve differential cross section measurements.

# Artificial Neural Networks



# ML constructed CP-odd observable

- With the ability to learn kinematic correlations, the NN can be used to
  - construct a near optimal CP-odd observable for each dimension-six operator
  - design new analyses based on the correlation between the angular observables and other kinematic quantities.
- Extend to multi-class models, with the pure-SM prediction included
  - allow the NN to learn the phase-space regions for which the SM is relatively suppressed

# ML constructed CP-odd observable

**Binary (two-class) models**

**Trained to distinguish + and - interference effects**

$$P_+ + P_- = 1$$

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**Multi-class models**

**Trained to distinguish SM, +, and -  
interference**

$$P_+ + P_- + P_{\text{SM}} = 1$$

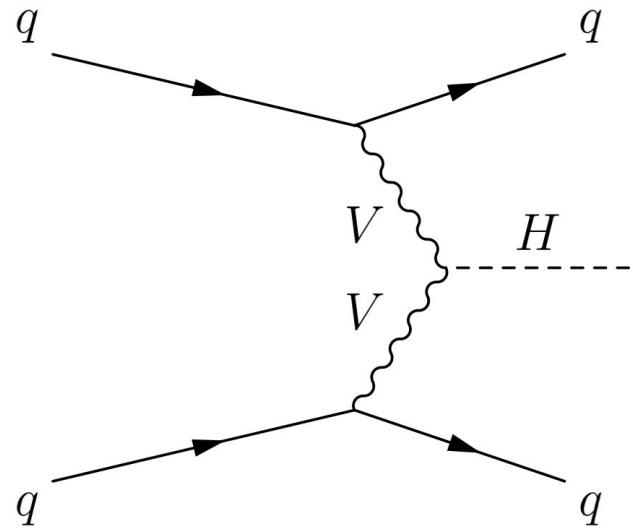
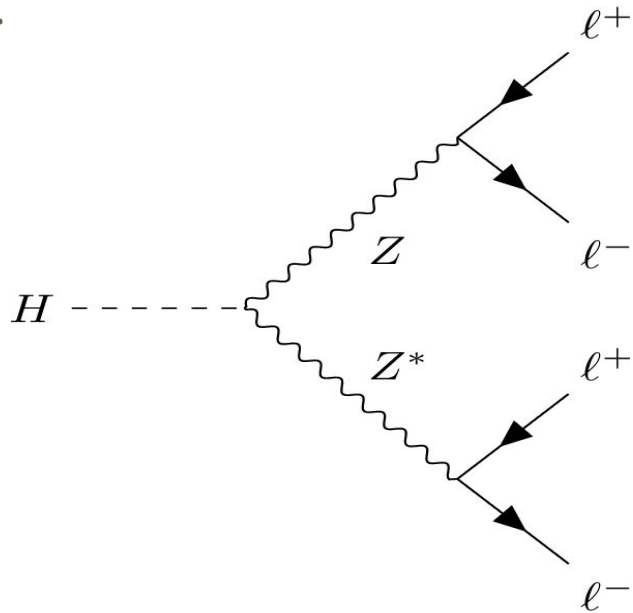
CP observable from NN output (of either model)

$$O_{NN} = P_+ - P_-$$



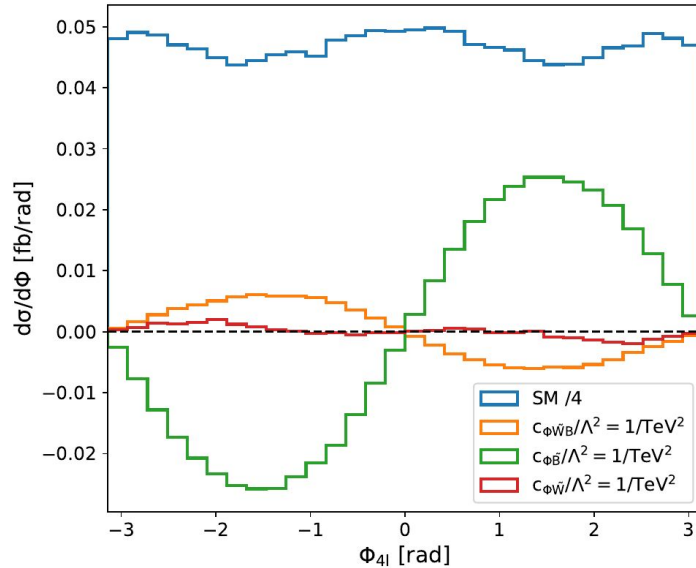
# Application of NN constructed CP-odd observables

Two of the main search channels for CP-violation in the Higgs sector: the decay channel and in the vector-boson fusion production channel (VBF  $h + 2$  jets).

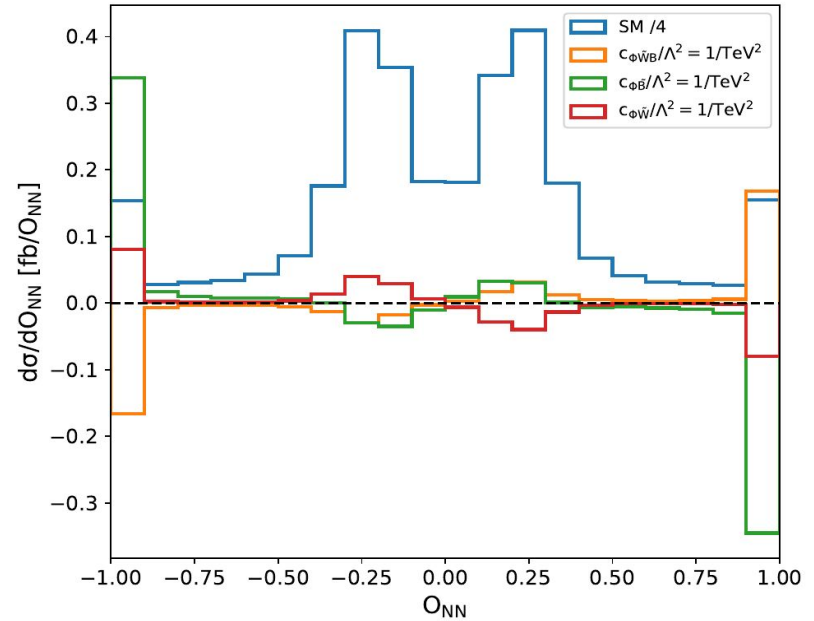


# Application to $h \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$

Differential cross section as fn of



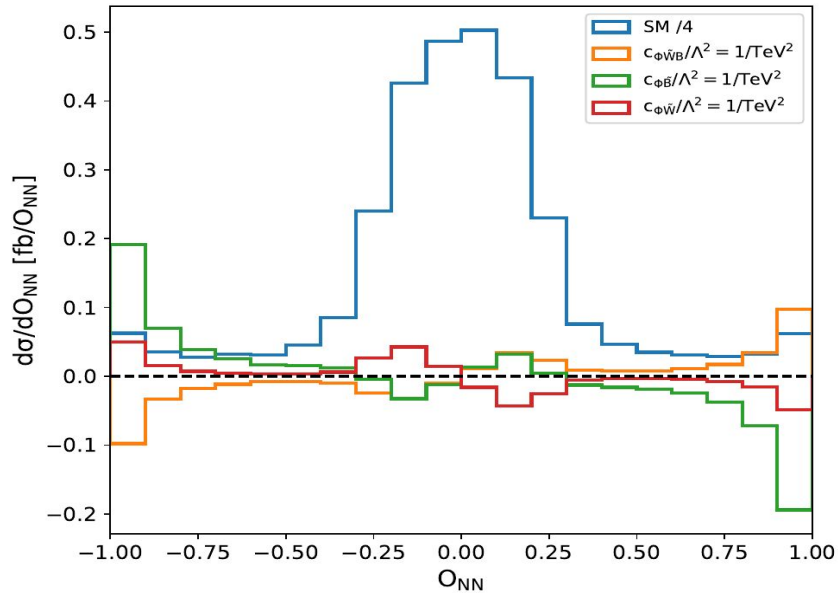
Binary class NN output



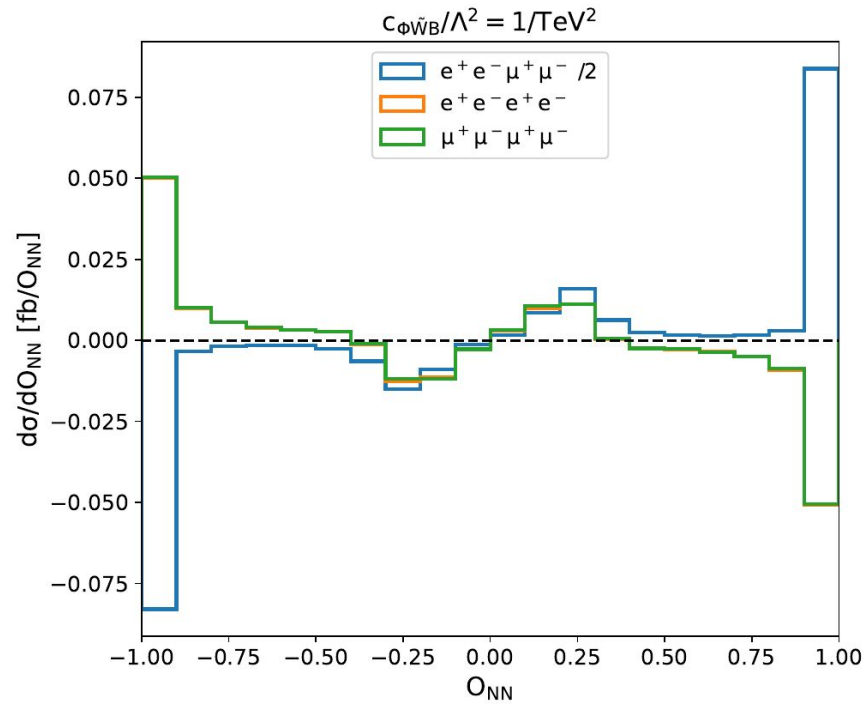
Analysis carried out in the *Higgs Mass* region of the ATLAS inclusive  $4\ell$  measurement (JHEP 07, 005 (2021)) for  $H \rightarrow 2e2\mu$  events.

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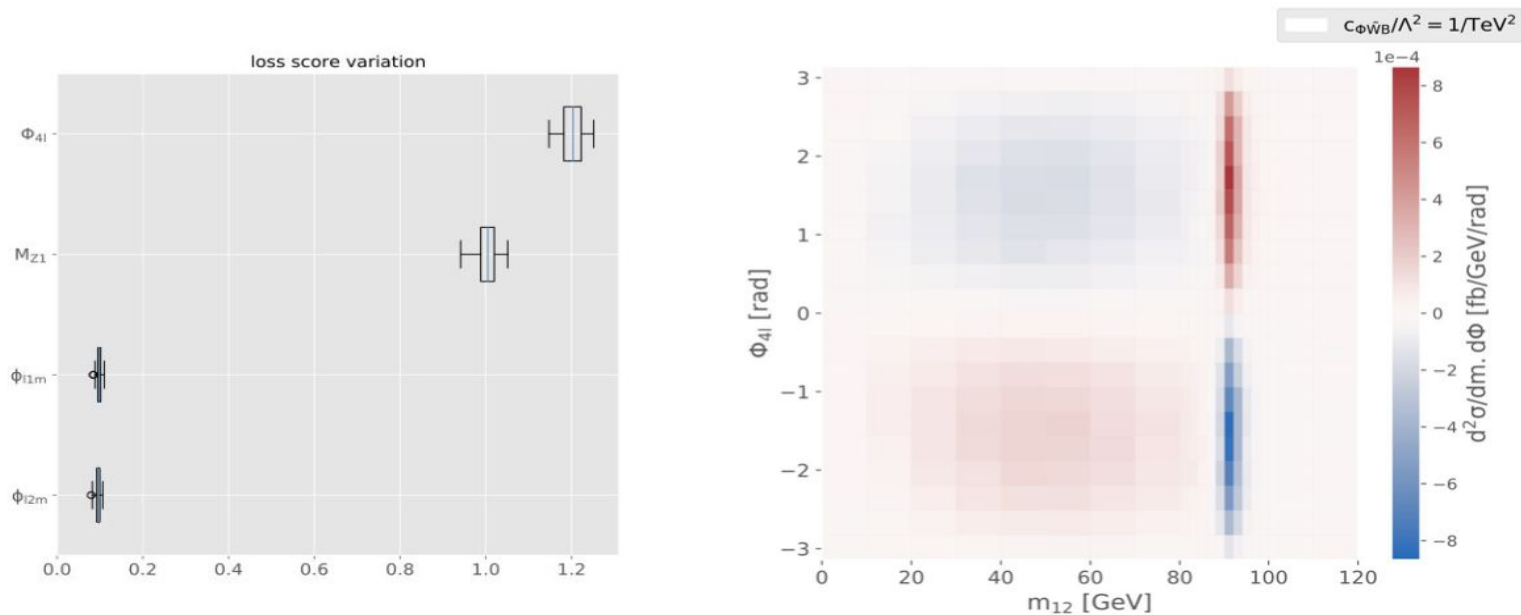
Multi-class NN output



# Decay channel consideration



# Feature Importance



- Origin of extra sensitivity investigated using feature importance techniques, whereby the change in loss score is evaluated after decorrelating input variables in the trained network.
- Clear interplay between  $\Phi_{4l}$  and  $m_{Z1}$  (highest mass of  $e^+e^-$  or  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pair).

# Limits on CP-odd operators for $h \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 2e2\mu$

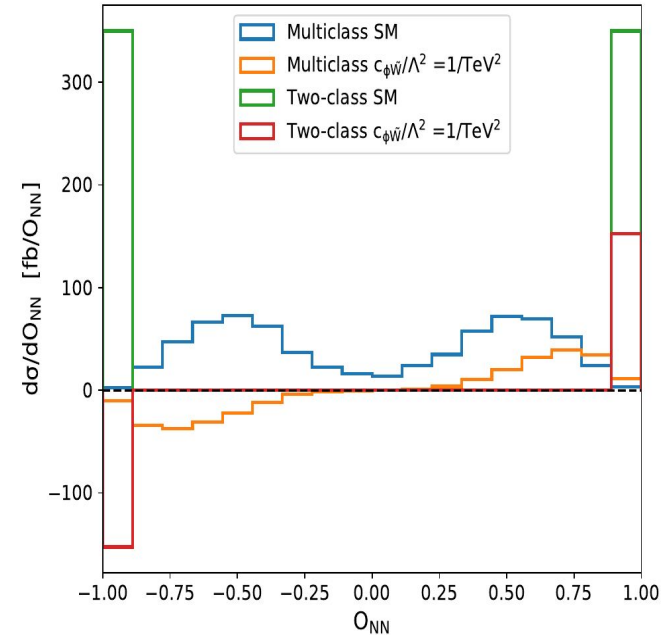
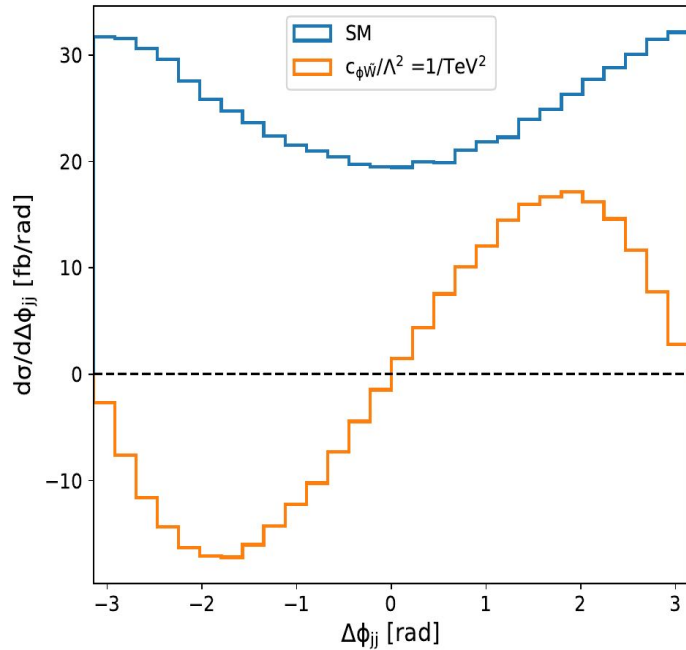
CP-odd observable	$c_{\Phi\widetilde{W}B}/\Lambda^2$ [TeV <sup>-2</sup> ]	$c_{\Phi\widetilde{B}}/\Lambda^2$ [TeV <sup>-2</sup> ]	$c_{\Phi\widetilde{W}}/\Lambda^2$ [TeV <sup>-2</sup> ]
$\Phi_{4\ell}$	[-6.2,6.2]	[-1.4,1.4]	[-30,30]
$\Phi_{4\ell}, m_{12}$	[-1.9,1.9]	[-0.85,0.85]	[-3.7,3.7]
$O_{NN}$ (binary)	[-1.5,1.5]	[-0.75,0.75]	[-3.0,3.0]
$O_{NN}$ (multi-class)	[-1.4,1.4]	[-0.71,0.71]	[-2.7,2.7]

Sensitivity to specific operators established using the Profile Likelihood method, after normalising the MC samples to the number of events observed in the ATLAS analyses.

Main observations:

- NN-based observables offer the best sensitivity.
- Multiclass models offers 5-10% improvements over binary classification
- Double-differential analysis of  $\Phi_{4\ell}$  and  $m_{Z1}$  captures most of the sensitivity gained by NN

# Application to $h + 2$ jets



- Analysis carried out in the *VBF\_1* region of the ATLAS  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  analysis (ATLAS-CONF-2021-044)
- Classic CP-odd variable:  $\Delta\phi_{jj} = \phi(j_1) - \phi(j_2)$

# Limits on CP-odd operators for

CP-odd observable	$C_{\Phi\tilde{W}B}/\Lambda^2$	$C_{\Phi\tilde{B}}/\Lambda^2$	$C_{\Phi\tilde{W}}/\Lambda^2$
$\Delta\phi_{jj}$	[-21,21]	[-149,149]	[-0.60,0.60]
$O_{NN}(binary)$	[-11,11]	[-43,43]	[-0.66,0.66]
$O_{NN}(multi - class)$	[-10,10]	[-36,36]	[-0.42,0.42]



# Conclusion

- A method to directly construct CP-odd observables using the output of neural networks
- NN optimise the separation of +ve and -ve interference using the full kinematic information
- Demonstrated the NN CP-odd observables for  $h \rightarrow 4l$  decay channel and the VBF production mechanism
- large improvements in sensitivity to CP-violating effects in the Higgs sector, demonstrated this using dimension-six effective field theory predictions for the interference contributions.
- Improving the sensitivity to CP-violating effects in  $h \rightarrow 4l$  and VBF Higgs production is particularly important for the self-consistency of the dimension-six approach

**Thank you**

# Machine Learning

Broadly, estimate a function given data samples.

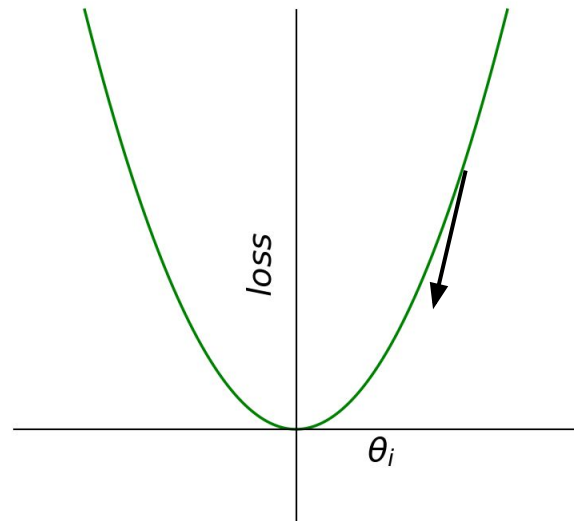
$$\{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}$$

$$\hat{y} = f(\Theta, x)$$

Optimise a loss function:  $L(\hat{y}, y)$

Classification:

$$loss = -\frac{1}{N_{batch}} \sum_{i=1}^{i=N_{batch}} y_i \ln(\hat{y}(\vec{x}_i))$$



Linear Regression

$$\hat{y} = \theta_1 x + \theta_0$$

$$loss = \frac{1}{N_{batch}} \sum_{i=1}^{i=N_{batch}} (\hat{y} - y)^2$$

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