

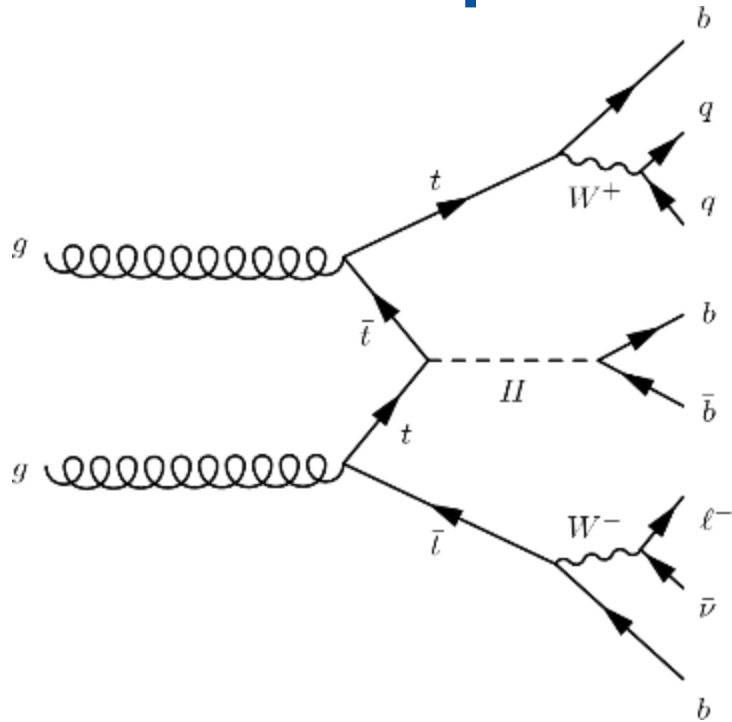
Neural Network Regression to Approximate Matrix Element Method Likelihoods

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The $t\bar{t}H$ process

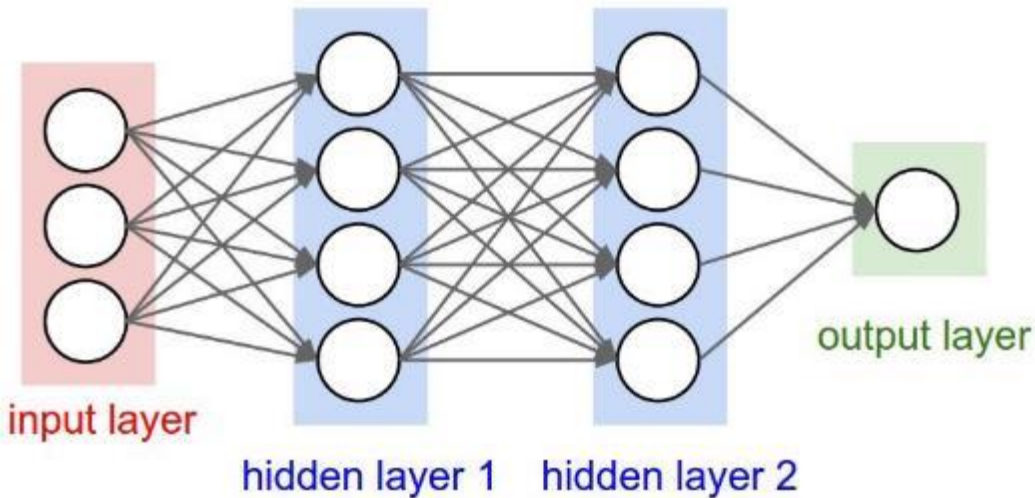


- Directly measure the Higgs-top Yukawa coupling
- Separate the signal from the background with multivariate analysis

Matrix Element Method

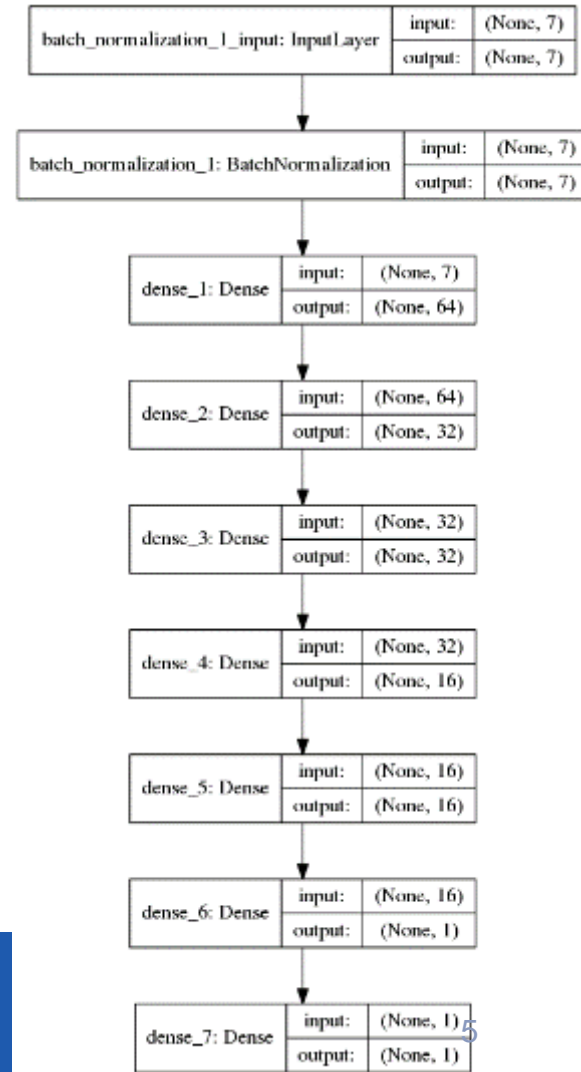
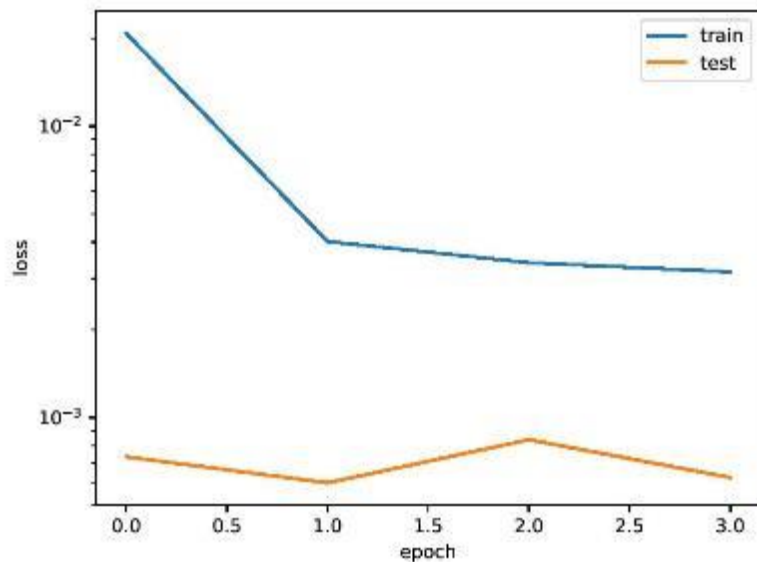
- Powerful method for exploiting theoretical and experimental data for analysis
- ttH process: 8 final state particles for 22 free parameters
- Slow and computationally expensive

Neural Network



- Possible hyperparameters
 - Training set (size and sampling method)
 - Dropout
 - Number of layers
 - Number of nodes
 - The loss function
 - Number of training batches
 - The activation function
 - Early stopping patience

Training the Network



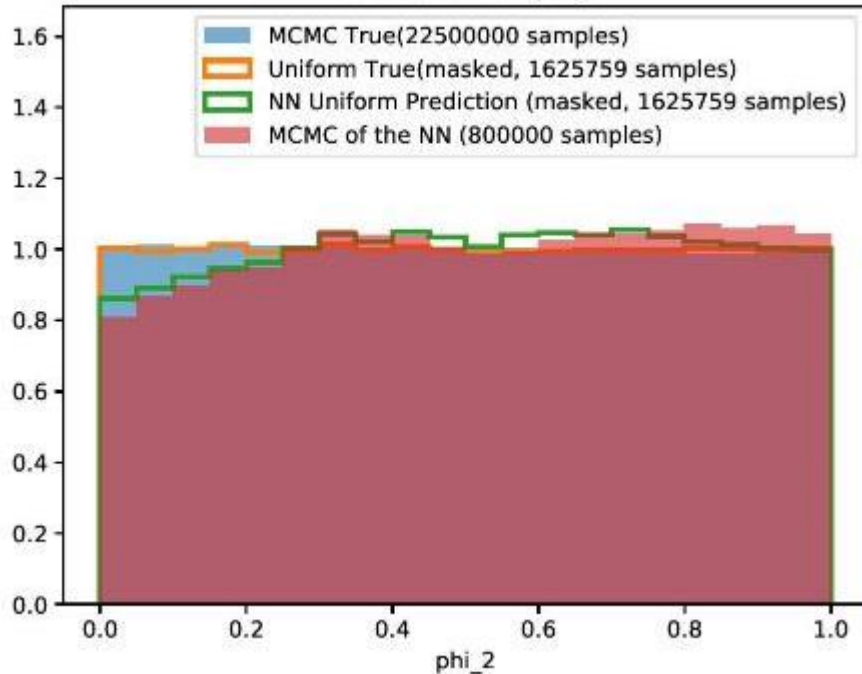
Evaluating the Model

- Plot the 1D normalized distributions over the parameters marginalized over remaining dimensions
- For each dimension, compute sum of the squared errors for the 20 bins

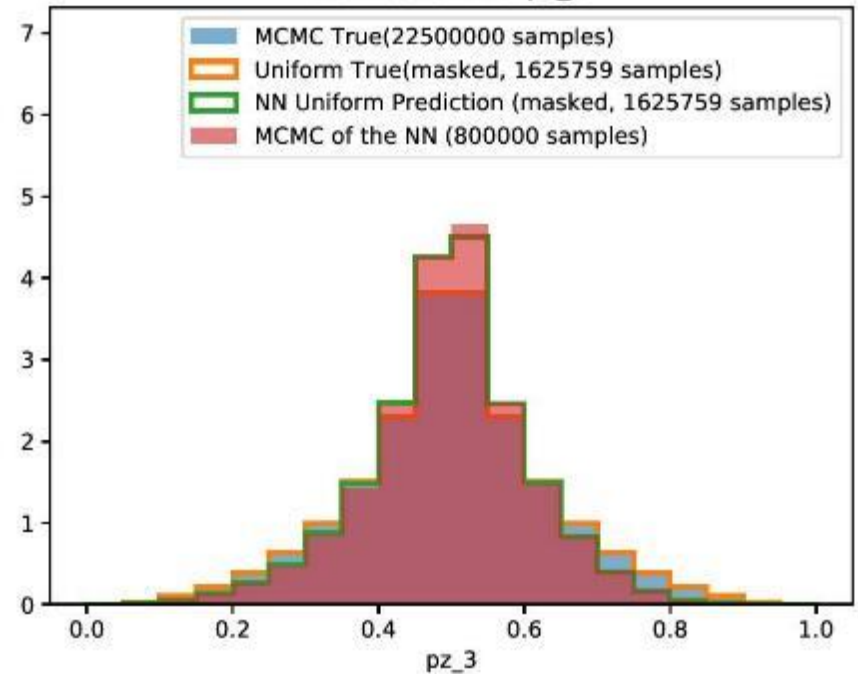
Parameter	Sum of the Squared Errors
$ \rho _1$	0.285491
θ_1	0.572884
ϕ_1	0.046252
$ \rho _2$	0.606082
θ_2	0.525307
ϕ_2	0.118454
p_z_3	1.17777
Overall Test Statistic	0.476034

Evaluating the Model

Distribution for ϕ_2



Distribution for pz_3



What's Next

- Increase accuracy of current networks
- Add probability distribution functions
- Increase particles/parameters
- Incorporate the Matrix Element Method

