

Selective background MC simulation with graph neural networks at Belle II

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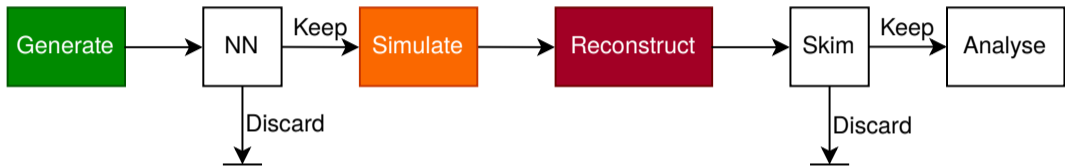
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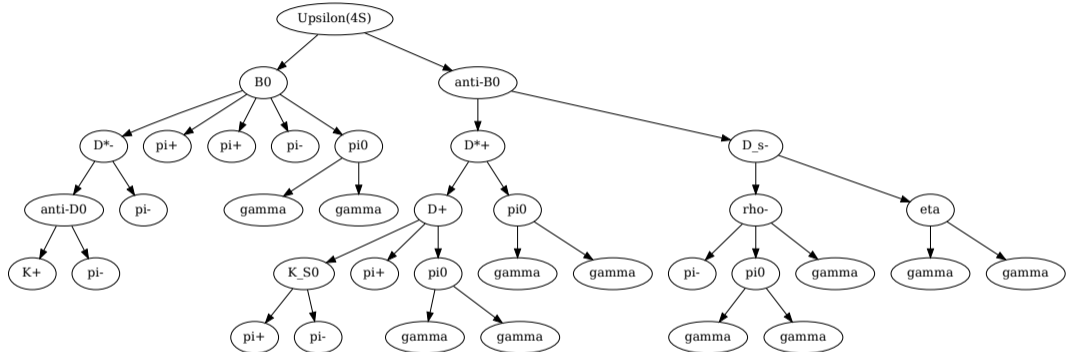
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The idea

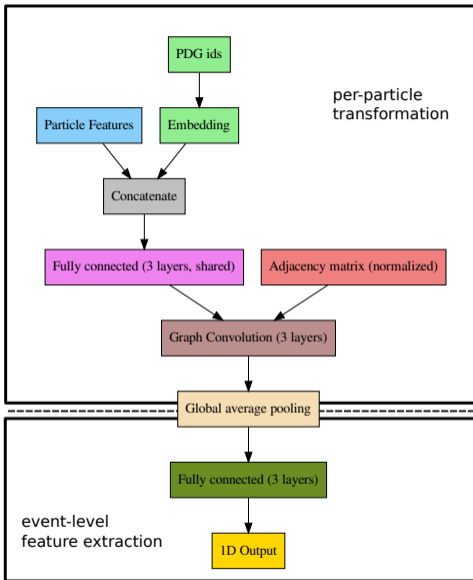


- Event generation takes much less computing time than detector simulation
- Many events discarded (e.g. by skim)
 - try to predict which events will be discarded, already after event generation

The MC particle record is a graph (tree)



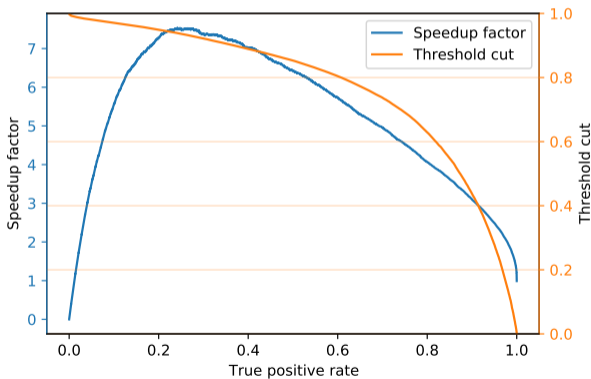
Node attributes: PDG ID, 4-vector components, Vertex positions, Decay times

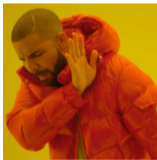
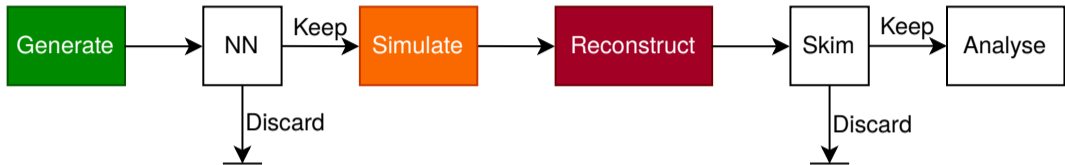


What could we gain?

Hadronic B^0 reconstruction (Full event interpretation skim, 5% retention rate)

Assuming $t_{\text{Simulation+Reconstruction}} = 1000 \times t_{\text{Event generation}}$
and $t_{\text{apply NN}} = 10 \times t_{\text{Event generation}}$



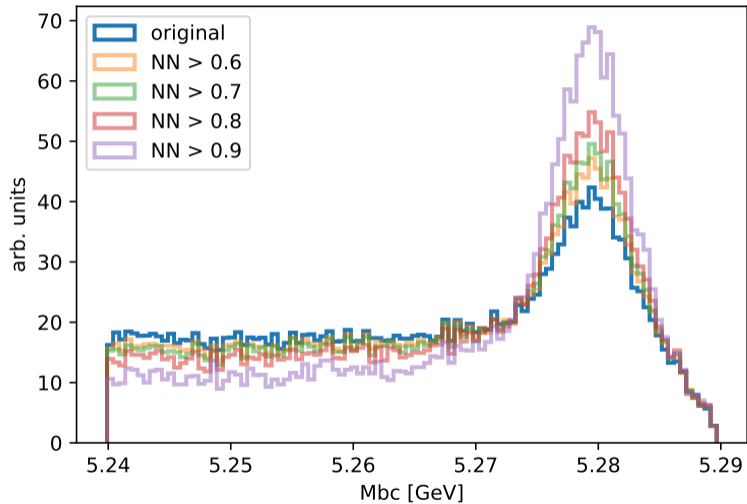


False negatives



False positives

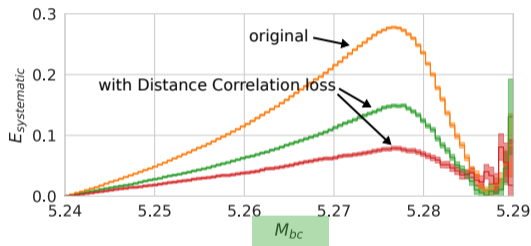
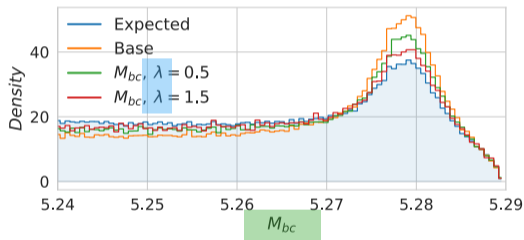
Bias due to false negatives



Mitigation via distance correlation loss

Master thesis Yannick Bross

$$L_{\text{tot}} = \text{BCE}(y_{\text{True}}, y_{\text{pred}}) + \lambda \cdot \text{dCorr}(x_{\text{decorr}}, y_{\text{pred}})$$



Same performance (speedup) for all lines!

(Distance correlation: see [Wikipedia](#) and [arXiv:2001.05310](#))

How to move on from here?

2 possible Directions:

Bias mitigation + reweighting

- Run Simulation + Reconstruction only for pass events
- Train with bias mitigation
- Do a final “residual reweighting”

“Traditional style” filtering

- Simulate a fraction of discarded events as well
- Use NN output as sampling probability (weight with inverse probability)
- Adjust loss function to account for that

Metric in both cases: Stat. uncertainty on weighted events (for same computing time)

Backup

Simple update rule (Graph convolution, Kipf & Welling)

[arXiv:1609.02907](https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.02907)

New node features

Normalized adjacency matrix

$$H^{(l+1)} = \sigma(GH^lW^l)$$

Weights

Node features (previous layer)

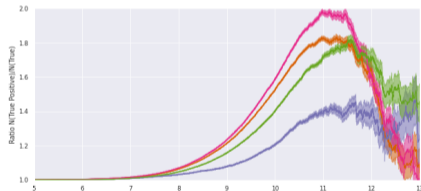
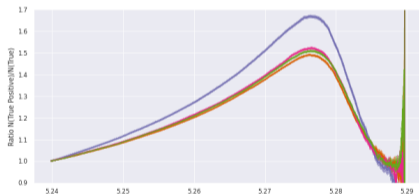
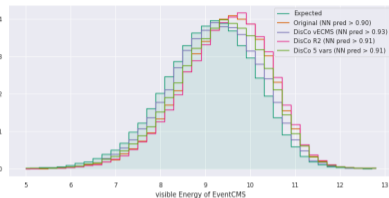
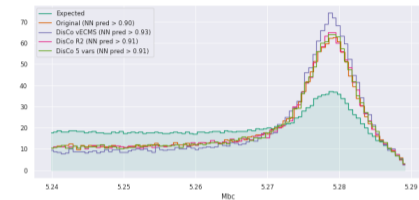
The diagram shows the equation $H^{(l+1)} = \sigma(GH^lW^l)$. The term $H^{(l+1)}$ is enclosed in an orange box and labeled "New node features". The term G is in a pink box and labeled "Normalized adjacency matrix". The term H^l is in a green box and labeled "Node features (previous layer)". The term W^l is in a blue box and labeled "Weights". Arrows point from the text labels to their respective terms in the equation.

Dataset and training

- FEI hadronic B0 skim on mixed samples ($Y(4S \rightarrow B0B0bar)$)
- $\approx 1M$ training events (roughly balanced)
- Particle lists cropped at/padded to 100
 - actually works quite well with much less (40 used before)
 - mostly crops particles at final stages of decay
- Train with batch size 1024
- Binary cross entropy loss
- Stop after no improvement on validation set (20% of training data, wait 10 epochs)

Effect on other variables

Studies by Yannick



- Bias mitigation is effective for the variable it was trained on
→ lower bias for same speedup factor
- mitigation of one quantity can make bias for others worse