# Machine Learning Current Projects @ Belle II

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## **01** Introduction to Belle II MVA

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## Why Multivariate?

Why not simply cut on variables?

• Correlations not visible

















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### **Decision Trees**

- Popular for classification and regression • tasks
  - Easy to understand/interpret
  - Fast training
  - Good with multivariate data
- Consecutive set of questions (nodes) •
- Final verdict is reached after given • maximum of nodes (leaf)
- Each question depends on the formerly • given answers
- Trained on maximizing separation gain • between nodes

Leaf



## (Boosted) Decision Trees Is it Signal or Background?

- Single trees are often not very strong
- Combination of different trees
  - -> Random Forest
- Output is decided by majority vote
- Boosting:
  - Misclassified events are weighted higher
  - Future trees concentrate on misclassified events
  - Easy to overtrain
- Pruning: Reduce tree size by removing redundant nodes



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#### Given by FEI



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  - 3. Repeat 2. until final B candidates are formed
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#### PIER

Measurement of CP asymmetries and

branching-fraction ratios for  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow DK^{\pm}$  and  $D\pi^{\pm}$ 

with  $D \to K_{\rm S}^0 K^{\pm} \pi^{\mp}$  using Belle and Belle II data corresponds to  $\pm 3\sigma$  around the known  $K^0$  mass [30], with  $\sigma$  being the mass resolution. To

improve purity, we reject combinat for Belle [31] and a boosted dec Search for lepton-flavor-violating  $\tau^- \rightarrow \ell^- \phi$  decays in 2019-2021

Belle II data

Background events are suppressed by a set of requirements on topological and kinematic variables

followed by a sele kinematic variable

Measurement of the branching fraction and CP asy candidate. To suppress non-signal photons, count for the angular dependence of ECL-re

Measurement of CP violation in  $B^0 \to K^0_s \pi^0$  decay with  $\sigma$  being the resolution. We suppress contamination tion from prompt  $K_s^0$  candidates and  $\Lambda$  decays using tw boosted-decision-tree (BDT) classifiers [27]. These BDT rely mostly on kin Measurement of CP asyr its decay products r ne domin

tinuum  $e^+e^$ or s quark. trained on sin







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- Currently likelihood of particle hypothesis is combined out of 36 subdetector likelihoods
  - $\mathscr{L}(h) = \prod_{D} \mathscr{L}_{D}(h)$
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  - ∘ **ℒ**<sub>D</sub>(h)
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Stefan Wallner, Xavier Simo: Particle identification at Belle II using Neural Networks

#### **Convolutional Neural Networks**



MNIST Results

Architecture	Test Error	Weights (10 <sup>6</sup> )		
DNN <sup>1</sup>	0.35 %	12.11		
CNN <sup>2</sup>	0.25 %	5.4		

- Deep neural networks scale badly with high amount of inputs
  - Images with 32 pixels already have 1024 inputs
- DNNs don't take locality (nearby pixels are more strongly correlated) and translation invariance (meaningful patterns can occur anywhere) into account

#### **Convolutional Neural Networks**

**Convolutional Layer** 



**Pooling Layer** 



- CNNs are very good for image recognition:
  - Input stays in 2D shape instead of being flattened
  - Weights are shared in convolutions -> translational invariance
  - Nearby pixels are more highly correlated due to convolutions in kernels
- Convolutional layer:
  - Apply filter of size NxN to input
  - Slide filter over entire input layer with fixed stride
- Pooling layer:
  - Reduce layer size by downsampling
  - Different pooling types, such as max or mean pooling

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  - Better muon-pion separation useful for e.g. leptonic tau decays
- Default PID in ECL uses E/p
  - Not very powerful for low momentum pion-muon separation
- Energy deposition patterns for pions are more dispersed than muons
  - Neural network can employ pattern recognition
- Energy deposition in 7x7 crystals can be treated as images
  - Two separate CNNs for positive and negative tracks
  - CNNs outperform both default and BDT method



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#### **Generative Adversarial Networks**

- Big chunk of Belle II computing is MC production
- With higher needs for MC data, computing time and resources might become bottleneck
  - Improvement of MC generation necessary
- TOP and ECL have highest simulation time of all subdetectors
- Improvement of MC simulation through generative ML algorithms
  - Generative adversarial networks
  - Variational autoencoders



#### **Generative Adversarial Networks**



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Idea: Generate data out of random noise



https://embracethered.com/blog/posts/2020/machine-learning-attack-series-generative-adversarial-networks-gan/

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### Simulation of Noise Waveforms in the ECL

- ECL consists of ~9000 crystals
- Crystal PMT measurements are digitized and a photon and hadron fit is applied
- Background waveform simulations require much data and bandwidth to store



Alexandre Beaubien, John Michael Roney: Noise Waveform Generation Using GANs

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### Simulation of Noise Waveforms in the ECL

- Strategy: Only keep interesting (high energy, correlated backgrounds) waveforms and simulate the rest
- Train CNN GAN on generating waveforms
- Evaluate network on performance metrics
- GAN shows better performance than Autoencoders or Covariance Matrix Methods



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#### Transformer

Developed for translations:

- Positional Encodings (position in sentence is important for the translation!)
- Attention (context is important)
- Self-Attention

(synonymous words can have different meanings according to context)



The FBI is chasing a criminal on the run.									
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## **Deep Continuum Suppression**

- BDTs and MLPs require fixed order for input particles, so some kind of sorting needed but this is prone to errors
  - Use self-attention-based input for permutation invariance
- Predictive uncertainties for the continuum classifications
  - Use deep ensembles
- Continuum suppression dependent on certain analysis variables, which is Introducing a bias for further studies

0.8

uncertainty (95% CL) .0 .0 .0 .0

0.2

0.0 0.0

Decorrelation from analysis variables



#### Autoencoder

- Unsupervised learning to replicate input as output
- Subnetwork **encoder** maps input to embedded representation
- Subnetwork **decoder** maps back to input space
- Lower-dimensional, condensed representation to capture important patterns
- $\rightarrow$  Network trained to learn the identity function



#### No labels required

#### **Autoencoder: Anomaly Detection**

**Goal:** Find rare signature of new physics (e.g. dark Higgs searches) through anomaly detection in background dominated regions

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ts / 0.4

Belle II Simulation  $\int c dt = 100 \text{ fb}^-$ 



anomalyscore



### **Encoder:** graFEI

- Current FEI is restricted by branching • fraction coverage (explicit decay structures covering  $O(10\,000)$  decays so ~15%)
- Use encoder for latent space representation to predict the decay tree
- Permutation invariance







#### **Graph Data Structure**

What happens if you have varying input size, for example the different number of particles in Event that are not on grids?

Use Graph Representation:

- Non-euclidian data structure
- Capture both information to the nodes and the relational information (edges)

Cannot use CNNs here





H3C

Protein Interaction



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#### Graphs



Graphs are build with:

Nodes n<sub>i</sub>

- In our example particles With node features
  - Energy, momentum, charge, PID ....

Edges e <sub>ii</sub>

• Relations between particles

With edge features

• Angle between two particles, distance, ...

#### **Graph Convolutional Networks**





Red node after first update step

 Generalization of Convolutional neural networks to graph-structured data

- Exchange information between nodes
- One-dimensional edge features as edge-weights possible

#### **Current Flavor Tagger**

- Identify B-flavor from a single particle in the rest of event \*tag-side) in 13 categories
- Combine the categories output to provide final output
- While each particle has 13 outputs, only the best scores for each category are used
- Information loss
  - Don't know the category score of other particles
  - Don't know which particle has the best score

Euget #	Category's output, qp								
Event#	Electron	Muon	Kaon	SlowPion	Int-electron	Int-muon			
Particle0	0.99	0.00	0.01	0.00	-0.99	0.00			
Particle1	0.00	0.00	0.12	-0.96	-0.04	-0.51			
Particle2	-0.01	-0.15	-0.10	0.00	0.00	0.03			
Particle3	-0.34	0.00	-0.09	0.00	0.80	0.03			
Particle4	0.00	0.00	-0.94	0.00	0.00	0.02			
Best	0.99	-0.15	-0.94	-0.96	-0.99	-0.51			
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## GNN-based Flavor Tagger, GFlaT

- Use Dynamic Graph Convolutional Network
- Update node features using edge information
  - Momentum, relative distance between two particles, 13-category outputs, 6-PID variables as input
- Measured tag-side efficiency with real data: 20 % increase of efficiency on data



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# **Real Time Application**

- Different trigger levels have to reduce data stream to match DAQ limitations
- Level 1 trigger: hardware-based on FPGAs
- High Level Trigger: full reconstruction CPU based
- If data is not triggered here, its not saved  $\rightarrow$  not available



 Bigger is not always better: real time machine learning applications require smart, small networks to be deployed on FPGAs with high throughput rates (e.g. 30 MHz)

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# Do you have questions?

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# **03** Object Condensation for Reconstruction



#### Motivation

- Searches for new physics for data we did not look at yet
- New tools with Machine Learning to improve trigger level reconstruction
- Improvement of current trigger algorithms

#### **Requirements:**

- Varying input sizes due to different number and type of particles in event
  - Use Graph Neural Networks
- We don't know how many clusters/tracks there will be
  - Object Condensation Algorithm<sup>1</sup>





#### **Graph Reconstruction Model**



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#### **Real Space**



- OC algorithm takes input vertices ( = detector hits) and translates them from real space to a clustering space
- Clustering space is learned by the network
  - In the beginning clustering space = real space

#### **Clustering Space**



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- Clustering space is learned by the network
  - In the beginning clustering space = real space
- Dimensionality of clustering space is hyperparameter
- OC algorithm introduces potential that clusters vertices from the same object together

#### Attractive Potential



- An attractive potential draws vertices from the same object towards each other
- Background vertices are not influenced by the potential
- Attraction loss favors minimum distance between vertices of the same object

#### Repulsive Potential



**Clustering Coordinate 2** 

- An attractive potential draws vertices from the same object towards each other
- Background vertices are not influenced by the potential
- Attraction loss favors minimum distance between vertices of the same object
- A repulsive potential draws vertices from different objects away from each other
- Repulsion loss favors maximum distance between vertices of different objects
  - Clustering space is bounded

#### $\beta$ Values



Clustering Coordinate 2

- Each vertex is assigned a  $\beta$  value
- Vertex with the highest  $\beta$  value is called a condensation point
  - Invokes the potential for vertices belonging to the same object
  - β loss favors one condensation point per object
- Condensation points "carry" values for their objects
  - ECL: energy, position, ... of clusters
  - CDC: momentum, charge, displacement, ... of tracks

Time (hours)

80



attraction loss

40

60

0.025

0.02

0.01

0.005

20









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- Full loss is sum of all sub-losses
- Scaling of losses can be done to improve training

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Train Position x TRGECLCluster

x in m

in m

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 Background
 Prediction 0

 Photon 1
 Prediction 1

 Photon 3
 2

 Forward Endcap
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Event Display (Full, Early Phase 3) - Example

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-10

-0.5 -1.0

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x in m



- OC algorithm trained on 1-6 photons with generated energy between 0.1 GeV and 2 GeV
- Energy of triggercells > 100 MeV (modelling of current trigger algorithm)
- Improvement in efficiency for full ECL
- Current modelhas ~40000 parameters



- Displaced vertices important signature in searches for new physics
- Improve both real time and offline reconstruction



- Use CDC hits in the detector as input for the OC GNN
- Predict number of tracks
  - For each track, predict starting position, momentum and charge





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#### **Object Condensation for CDC**



Epoch 0



GNN achieves 96.68% efficiency on displaced vertex samples  $~X \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+$ 





#### **Graph Reconstruction Model**



#### Adjustable Parameters:

General Parameters:

- dimension dim1, dim2 of Linear Layer
- number of Graph Blocks nblocks

GravNet Parameters:

- number of k-nearest neighbors in GravNet
- GravNet space dimensions (currently 4)

Output:

- Dimension of Cluster Coordinates for OC coord
- Number of output layers according to Track Parameter Predictions

#### Hyperparameter

Model Parameters need to be greatly reduced to fit FPGA and gbasf2 CPU requirements



This starting setup has ~669000 trainable parameters!

Hyperparameter	Current Value	
Number of Neighbors <b>k</b>	9	
Number of GravNet Blocks <b>nblocks</b>	3	
Number of Nodes 1 dim1	128	
Number of Nodes 2 dim2	32	
Momentum	0.6	
CC Space <b>ccoords</b>	3	
Learning Rate Ir	0.001	
Optimizer <b>optim</b>	Adam	

## **Training Documentation** wandb.ai

- Machine Learning Platform for developers
- Cloud based ML experiment tracking tool
- Features:
  - Experiment Tracking
  - Hyperparameter Tuning
  - Data and Model Versioning
  - Model Management
  - Data Visualization
  - Collaborative Reports
  - Integration for PyTorch, Keras, PyTorch Lightning etc.
  - Private-Hosting

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validation_ep3	2023-06-13	3	ihaide	000
triggercells	2023-07-17	132	ihaide	000



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	'attraction loss': attloss,
	'energy loss': energyloss,
	'beta loss': betaloss,
	'suppress noise loss': suppressloss,
	'pos loss': posloss})

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## **Training Documentation** wandb.ai

Very simple to use! Everything at one place!

- Save configs and models to keep track of multiple trainings and version control
- Monitor training
- Log weights and biases for deep learning trainings (confirm that not only last layers get updated while training!)



Have to monitor more than 7 sub-losses for Object Condensation!

## Hyperparameter Optimization

- Runs easily on one or more gpus (start a new sweep on another gpu with the same sweep agent)
- Optimizes model parameters





ECL OC model down to 40,000 parameters

## **Quality Control**

- Machine learning very dependent on training samples
  - Know what is included in the simulated samples and make comparisons with data
  - Be careful about training sample composition (if training samples are 99% background its very efficient to just predict background)
    - Enrich dataset with rare cases
    - Introduce class weights
  - Check how your model will perform on other cases (empty events, background events..)
  - Check for biases in physics distributions for predictions
  - Use meaningful metrics for evaluation
    - Often loss/accuracy is not showing the whole picture









#### How can I Participate?

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## Find the right problem

- Lots of challenges in HEP can be tackled with ML algorithms
- Signs for possible improvement through ML:
  - High number of input variables
  - High correlations between variables
  - Unknown or difficult physical model

#### But:

- Not everything can be improved with ML
- Analytical functions, if known, will often perform better and with less computing resources



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Indico: <u>https://indico.belle2.org/category/167/</u> Meetings every 2 weeks, American friendly time every 4 weeks!

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# Backup

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#### **Slow Pion Rescue**

- Around 26% of slow pions are not reconstructed by SVD, need to reconstruct slow pions from the PXD
- PXD data rate may have to be reduced after shutdown
  - PXD cluster not associated to a track are dropped by region-of-interest algorithm
  - Loose PXD cluster
- PXD hits are dominated by QED (2000 electrons per 1 slow pion)
- **Goal**: Discriminate QED background from slow-pion using a neural network
  - 1 hidden layer with 100 nodes
  - PX cluster properties as input: size, shape position, ...
- Tested various network models, achieved 89% efficiency for 90% electron rejection on simulated samples



### Message Passing: Update Edges





## **Message Passing: Update Nodes**





Red node updated with information of neighbouring nodes and edges



## **Classic Neural Networks**





Boosted

#### Activation Function:

- Nonlinear function, such as tanh(x) or max(0, x)
- Necessary to compute nontrivial problems

#### Output:

- Classification or regression
- Best scaled to [0, 1]
- Input to loss function, evaluation of the network's performance