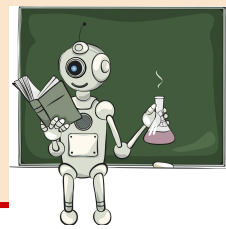


# DIDACTS: Data-Intensive Discovery Accelerated by Computational Techniques for Science ([didacts.org](http://didacts.org))



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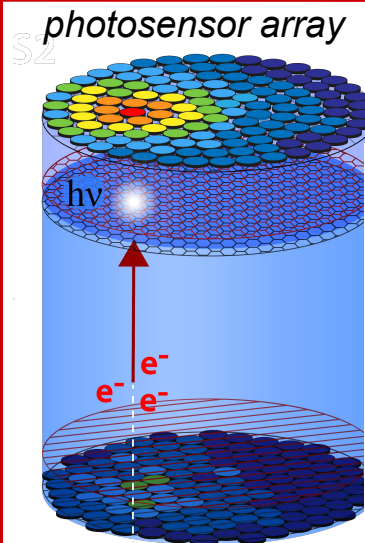
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**Challenge:** Physical sciences are at a tipping point as current machine learning methods do not adequately address their needs



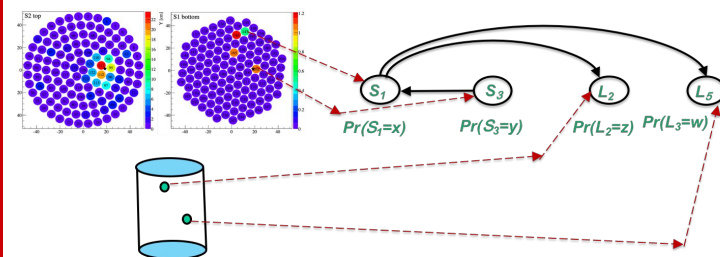
How to incorporate the physics we *know* (particle physics) into machine learning such that it can uncover the physics we *don't know* (dark matter)?

How to detect extreme rare events from the weakest phenomena in the Universe (dark matter) using sensor-based particle detectors?

## **Solution via Inverse Problem Formulation**

- Several scientific disciplines, including particle physics, have detailed **forward models** for observations.
- Inverse problems** based on these forward models often yield decent results.
- Many disciplines do not have access to **real-world ground truth data**, which forms the backbone of machine learning
- Graph-structured data**, rather than Euclidean data, is often prevalent in many scientific disciplines, and can form the basis for our inverse-problem formulation.

## **Solution via Sparse, Constrained, Probabilistic Graphical Model of sensors, events & relations.**



**Nodes:** Random Vars: Sensors & Tank Regions

**Edges:** Interdependence among Sensors/Regions/Events

**Introducing Domain Knowledge via:** Priors; Distributions; Interdependency constraints