# Classifying Charged Particles from High Energy Collisions at the Large Hadron Collider

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### Introduction

Overall project goal:

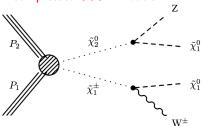
Classify particles better to assist with search for particle darkmatter

Specific focus:

- Discrminate low momentum true muons(  $\mu^\pm)$  from particles imitating muons in reconstruction

### Motivation

# **KU CMS analysis in progress** – searching for particle dark matter via compressed SUSY models



- Protons  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$  collide producing SUSY  $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}_2$
- SUSY  $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}_2$  decays to D.M.  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  and known particles  $W^{\pm}$ , Z
- $W^{\pm},Z$  immediately decay into charged particles $(\mu^{\pm})$  that we see in the detector

A compressed scenario implies  $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}_2$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  are very close in rest mass

With compression the decay products of  $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}_2$  are soft (low momentum), including ending charged particles

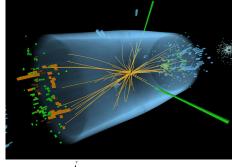
The current CMS detector is less optimized for correctly identifying soft  $\mu^{\pm}$ 

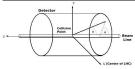
If we can optimize soft charged particle classification, we have a better chance of discovering compressed  $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}, \tilde{\chi}_2$ , and  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ 

# Anatomy of an Event

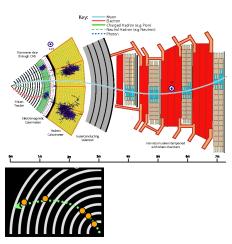
#### The "physics workflow"

- An event consists of colliding protons which produces particles showering outward(transverse)
- We measure the energy and momentum of all the visible particles in the event
- There are 100s of charged particles per event
- Reconstruct intermediate or invisible particles through momentum and energy conservation





# Charged Particle Reconstruction



Charged particles bend in Mag. field and create "tracks"

Tracks are connecting the dots: "hits" that are fit with a curve

Main particle of interest is the  $Muon(\mu^{\pm})$ 

- at high energies  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  is easily correctly identified
  - low energies leaves room for ambiguity

Sometimes other particles can be reconstructed incorrectly as a muon

- Common fakes:  $\mathsf{Pion}(\pi^{\pm})$ ,  $\mathsf{Electron}(e^{\pm})$ ,  $\mathsf{Kaon}(K^{\pm})$ ,  $\mathsf{Proton}(p)$ , or non physical junk particles
  - created from punch through
- junk particles are a result of hit combinatorics

### ML Model Introduction

- Deep Neural Network
- Use fully simulated processes to get collections of reconstructed muons
- Reconstructed muons contains both true(Gen.) muons and fakes.
  - This generator information will be our truth, or label, for the network
  - Some particles cant be matched because they are junk this is unmatched label
- Utilize two types of classification
  - 1. ID true muons against everything else [Unmatched,  $\pi$ , K, p] binary classification
  - 2. ID every particle simultaneously 5 classes logistic
- Network inputs are measured quantities and track quality metrics

# Data Preparation & Network Input

#### Data Preparation

- Taking data from ROOT trees and converted it to pandas DataFrames
- Evenly sampled among classes from different MC generated processes
  - Each process produces kinematically different muons with different origins
- One-hot encoded the classes for categorical output
- Normalized data

### Network Inputs

- Minimal model: variables that can ID a good muon (cut-based benchmark)
- Complex model: energy, position, track information (MVA benchmark)
- Custom: combination of the two
- Evaluate performance with accuracy and loss values and efficiency, purity, and ROC plots

# Network Architecture & Training Stats

#### Architecture

- 4 hidden layers
- 128 neurons/layer
- ReLU activation
- Softmax activation on last layer
- Adam optimizer
- Categorical cross entropy loss

#### Training

- 35/65 test/training split
- 10/90 validation/training split
- 100 epochs
- 256 batch size

# Results: Binary Classifier

#### Network statistics

#### **Training**

Accuracy: 0.9593

Loss: 0.1060

#### Validation

Accuracy: 0.9299

Loss: 0.2374

#### Test

Accuracy: 0.9244

Loss: 0.2728

# Results: Binary Classifier

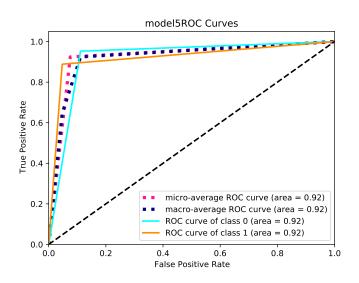
#### Muon Classification

- Efficiency: 95.274%
  - Purity: 91.540%

Efficiency = 
$$\frac{TP}{TP+FN}$$

$$\mathsf{Purity} = \tfrac{\mathit{TP}}{\mathit{TP} + \mathit{FP}}$$

# Results: Binary Classifier



#### Network statistics

#### **Training**

Accuracy: 0.6854

Loss: 0.7739

#### Validation

Accuracy: 0.5323

Loss: 1.2388

#### Test

Accuracy: 0.5330

Loss: 1.2864

#### Muon Classification

■ Efficiency: 84.032%

■ Purity: 87.322%

#### Pion Classification

■ Efficiency: 17.401%

Purity: 41.398%

#### Kaon Classification

Efficiency: 21.601%

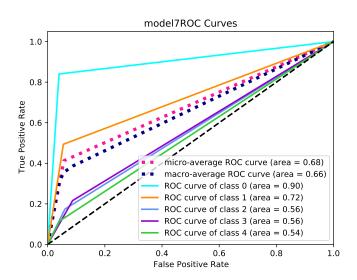
■ Purity: 33.932%

#### Proton Classification

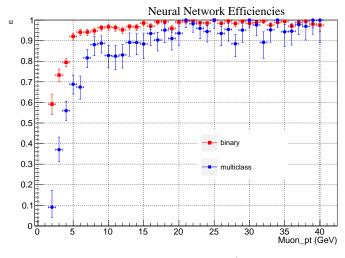
■ Efficiency: 11.496%

Purity: 4.088%

Efficiency = 
$$\frac{TP}{TP+FN}$$
  
Purity =  $\frac{TP}{TP+FP}$ 

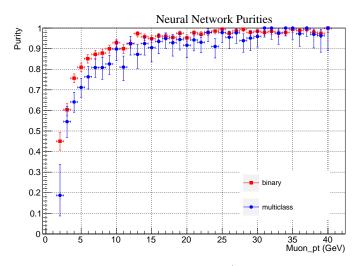


### Results: Efficiencies



 $\epsilon=\#$  true muons that pass ID/# true muons

### Results: Purities



Purity = # true muons that pass ID/ #reconstructed muons

## Benchmark Model

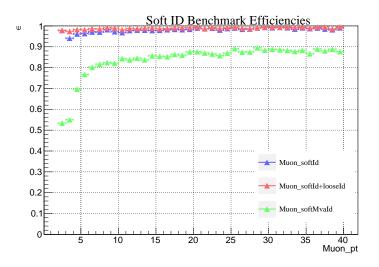
Current techniques to identify low momentum muons are a cut-based ID and a multi-variate analysis (MVA) that uses a gradient boosted regression forest

- Cut-based ID uses cuts on a few key variables
- MVA more complex, uses energy and track information

#### **Evaluation Statistics**

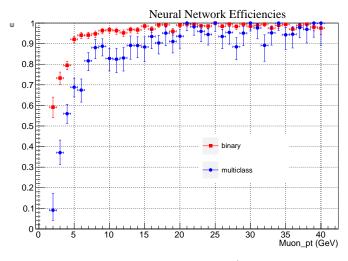
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# Benchmark Model: Efficiency



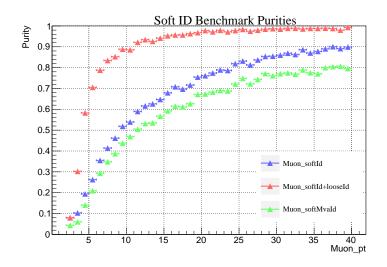
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### Results: Efficiencies



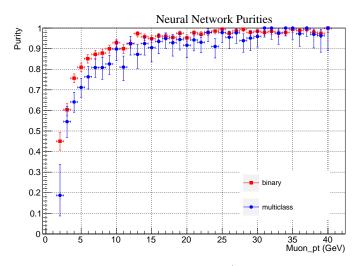
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# Benchmark Model: Purity



Purity = # true muons that pass ID/ #reconstructed muons

### Results: Purities



Purity = # true muons that pass ID/ #reconstructed muons

# Summary

Goal: correctly classify low momentum muons from proton-proton collisions at the LHC with a neural network

#### Results

- binary classifier more successful at classifying electrons than multiclass output
  - higher efficiency and purity
- both models competitive with current classification techniques in efficiency
- both models have similar or higher purity than current classification techniques

Future work: integrate classifier into searches for Supersymmetry to find Dark Matter candidates

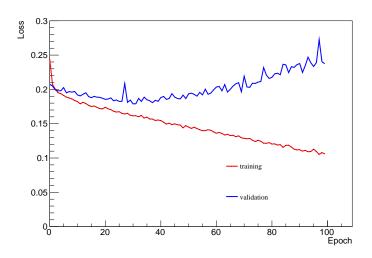
Project Repository: https://github.com/Jphsx/KUSoftMVA

# Thank You!

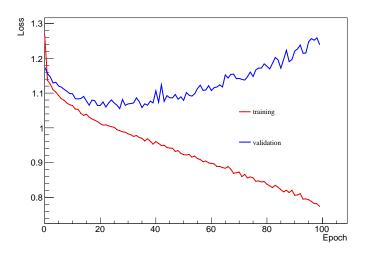
Questions?

Backup

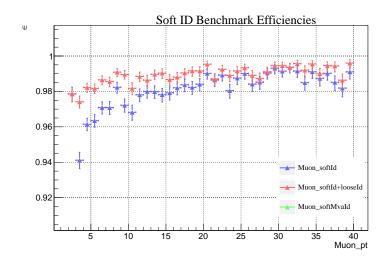
# Binary Classifier: Loss



# Multiclass Classifier: Loss



## Benchmark Model Performances



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