



Solution for 2nd competition of MLHEP-2021

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Solution overview

~ Baseline architecture

Standard preprocessing

Auxiliary output

(Lecture: Network architectures: tips and tricks)

Combining models

(Somewhere from Ensembles lectures)

Intuition for the network architecture

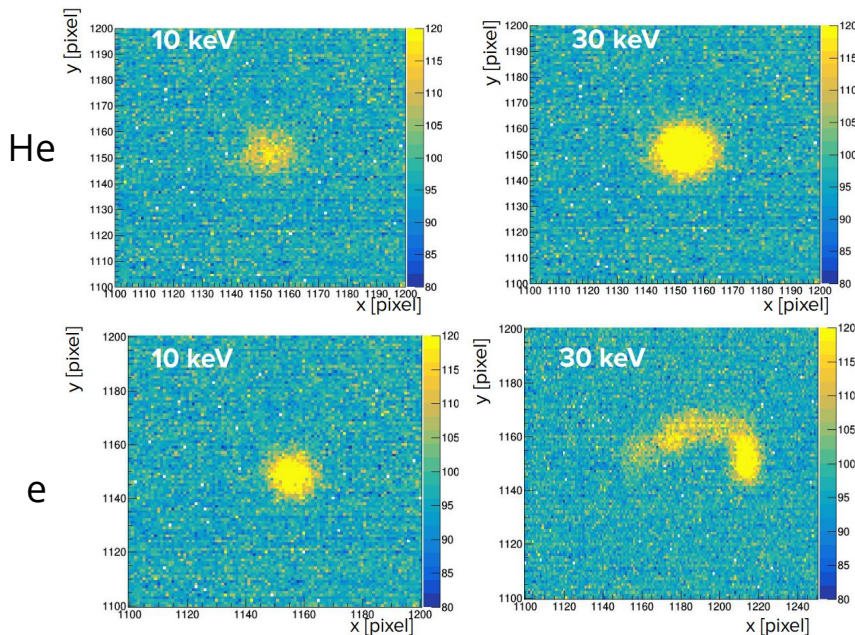
- Energy deposits of electrons and He differ a lot.
- Classification between two can help in energy regression.

On the contrary - dataset specifications.

- Train dataset consists of 3, 10, 30 keV electrons and 1, 6, 20 keV He.
- Test dataset is reversed.

→ Regression can be biased by classification.

→ Need to find a balance: still using classification as an output but it shouldn't be too good?



Network architecture

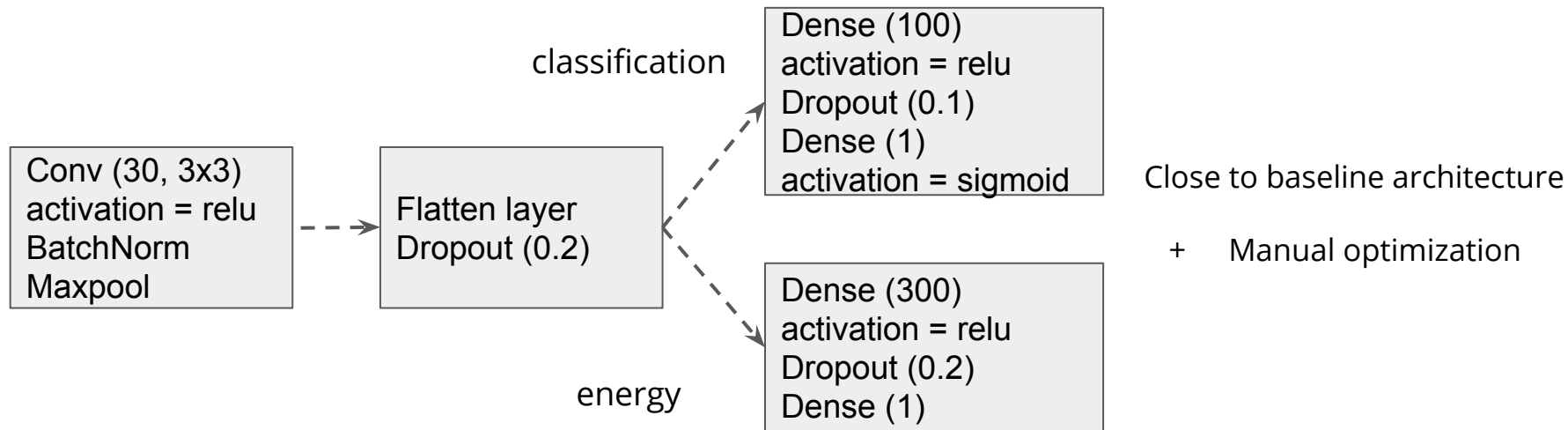
Preprocessing: Cropping (126, 126), MinMaxScaler for the input images, target unchanged.

Validation: 80/20 split on the training dataset.

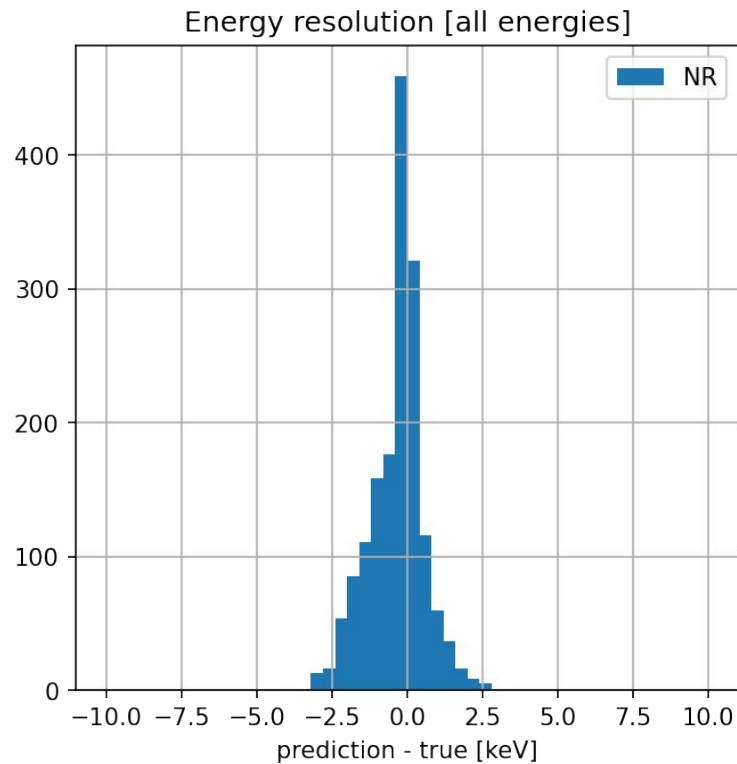
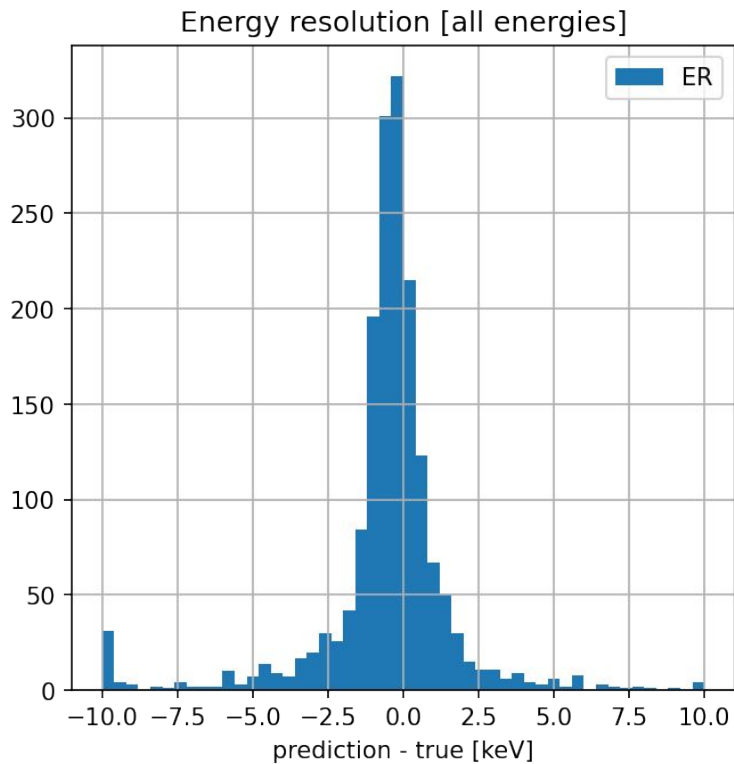
Loss functions: MAE for regression (weight 1), BinaryCrossentropy for classification (weight 0.1).

Hyperparameters: lr = 0.0001, batch size = 32

Epochs: Early stopping on validation energy + callbacks on the best loss.



Network results (on validation sample)

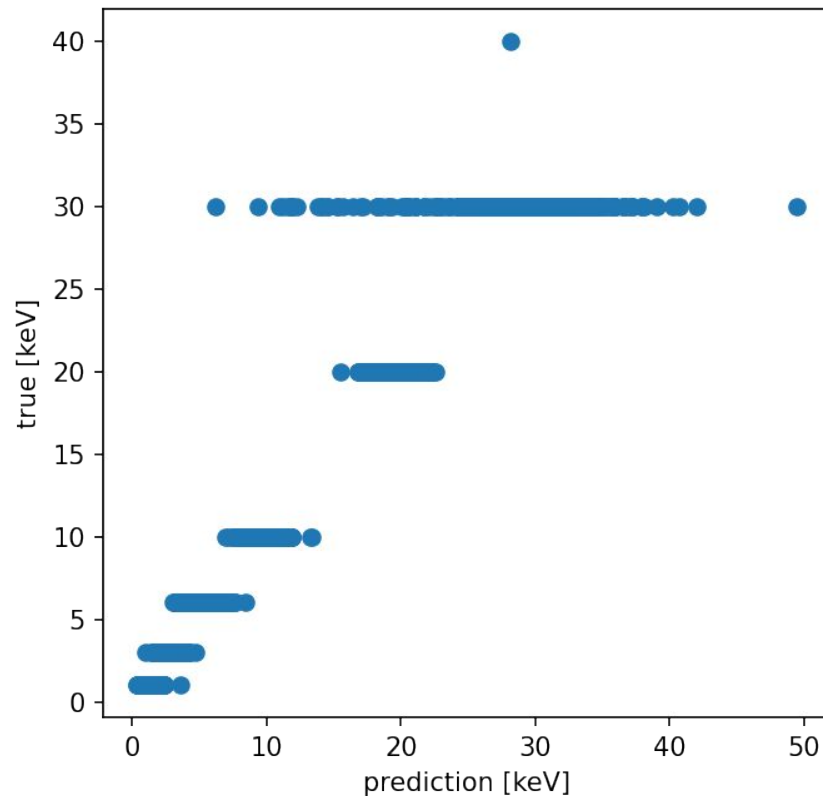


Score on the test sample: 1.39

Intuition for combining models

Disclaimer: very dataset-specific solution, not for physics experiment.

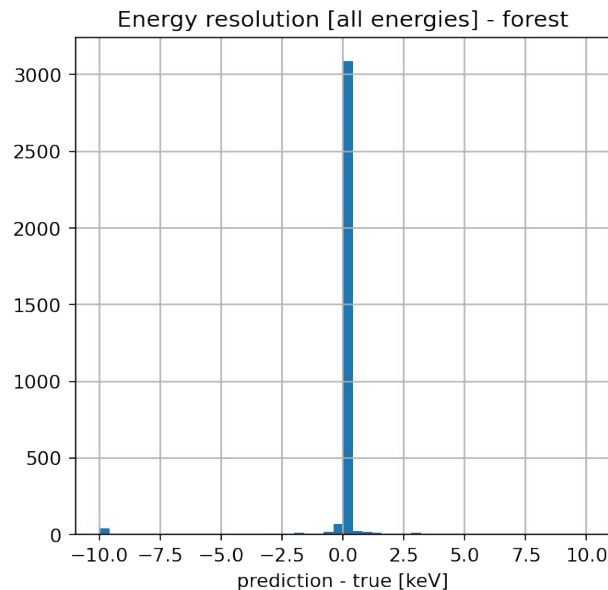
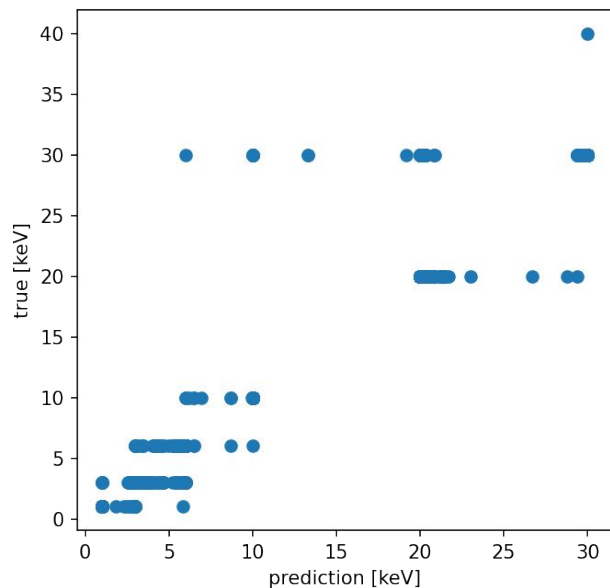
Target energy consists of only 6 possible integer values → using another algorithm to regress to this specific values.



Random forest

Input: network energy predictions, sum of the image pixels.

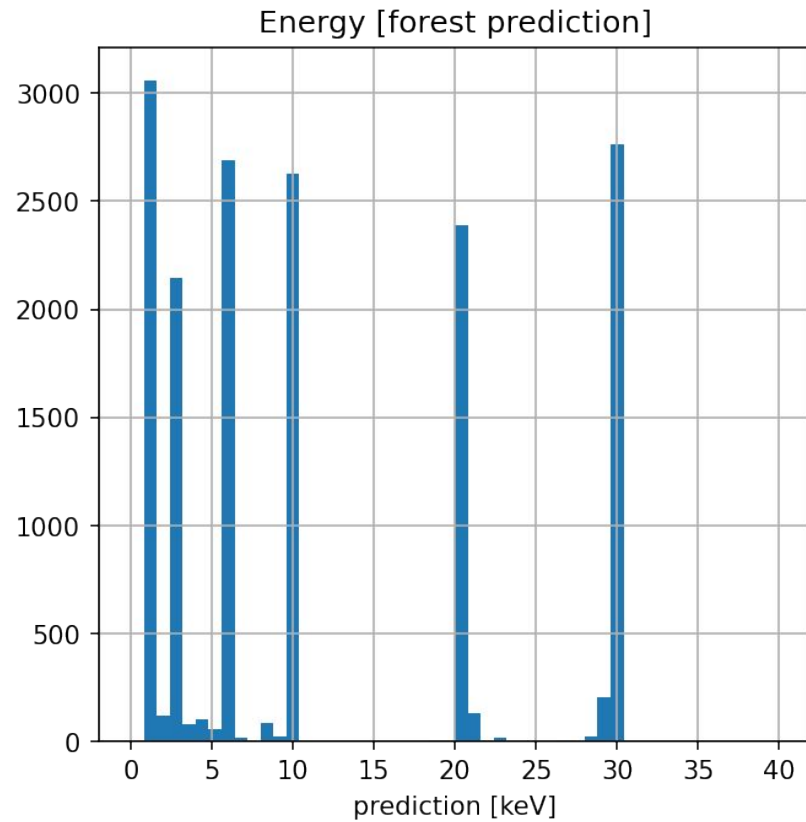
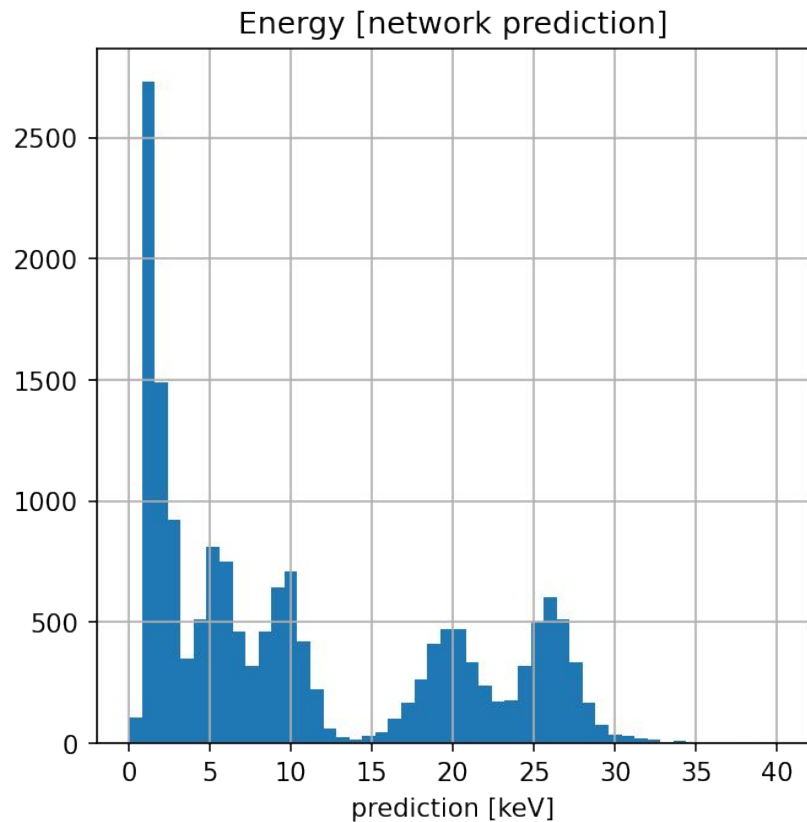
Hyperparameters: Almost “out-of-the-box”, only specified criterion='mae', max_depth=50.



Not ideal prediction to exactly 6 values and second features don't play any role (importances: 0.9995/0.0005).

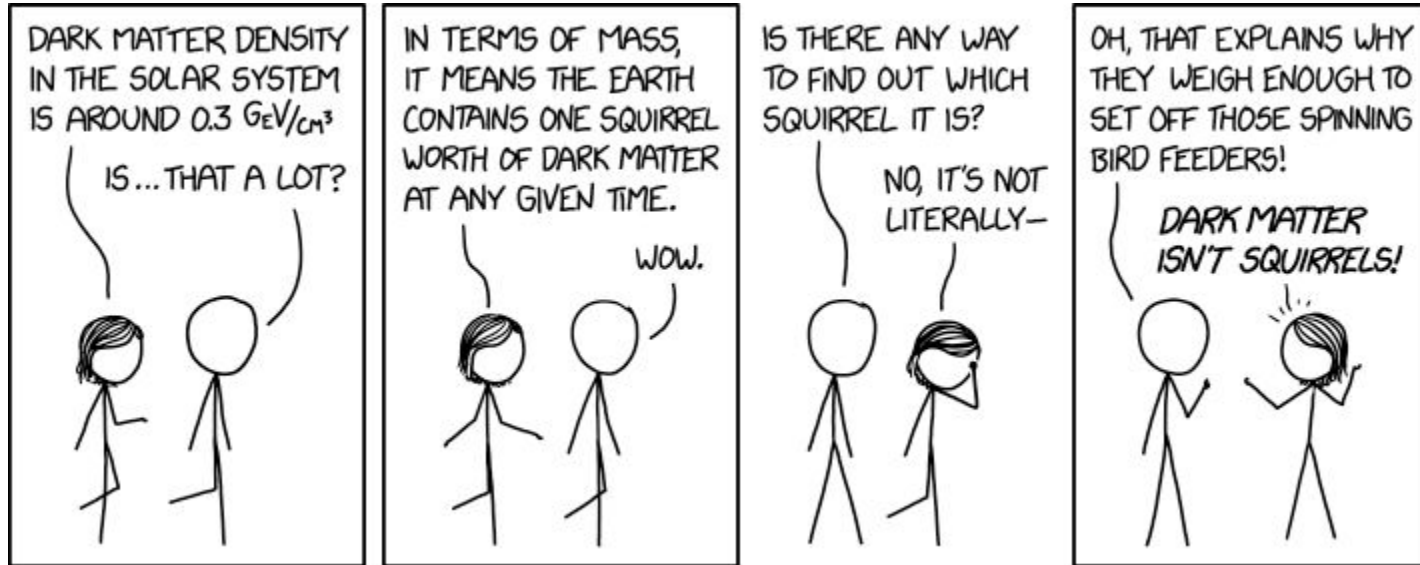
But still works well so no further optimization.

Test sample predictions



Score on the test sample: 0.36

Thank you for your attention!



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