

Deep Learning for Germanium-Based Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay Searches

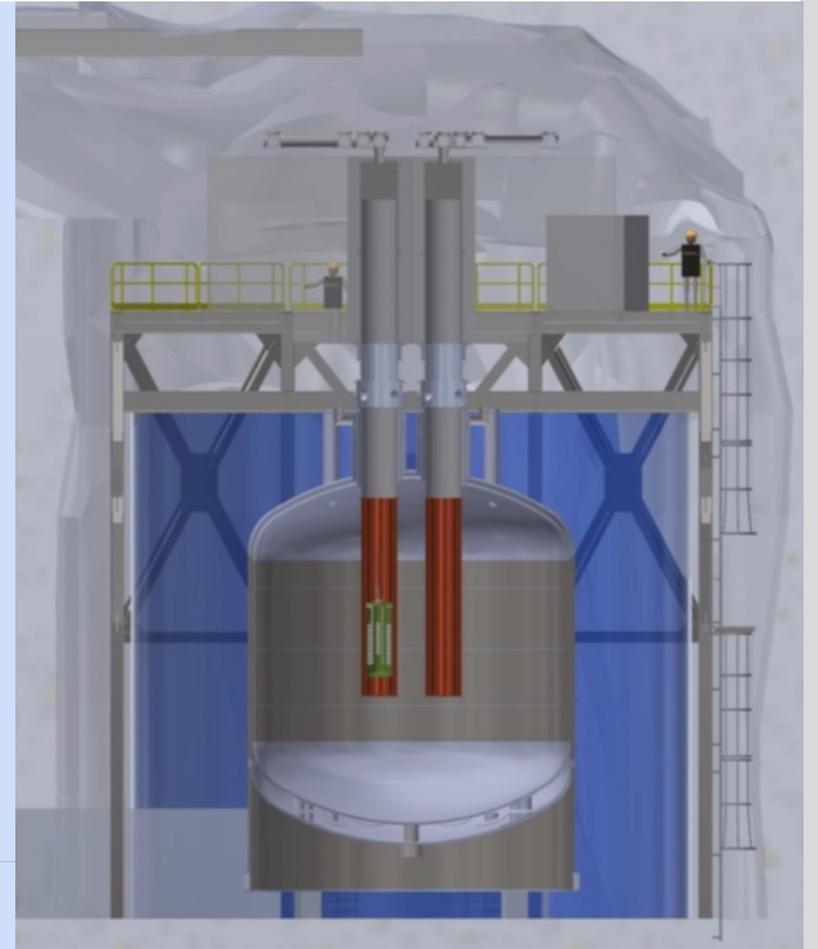
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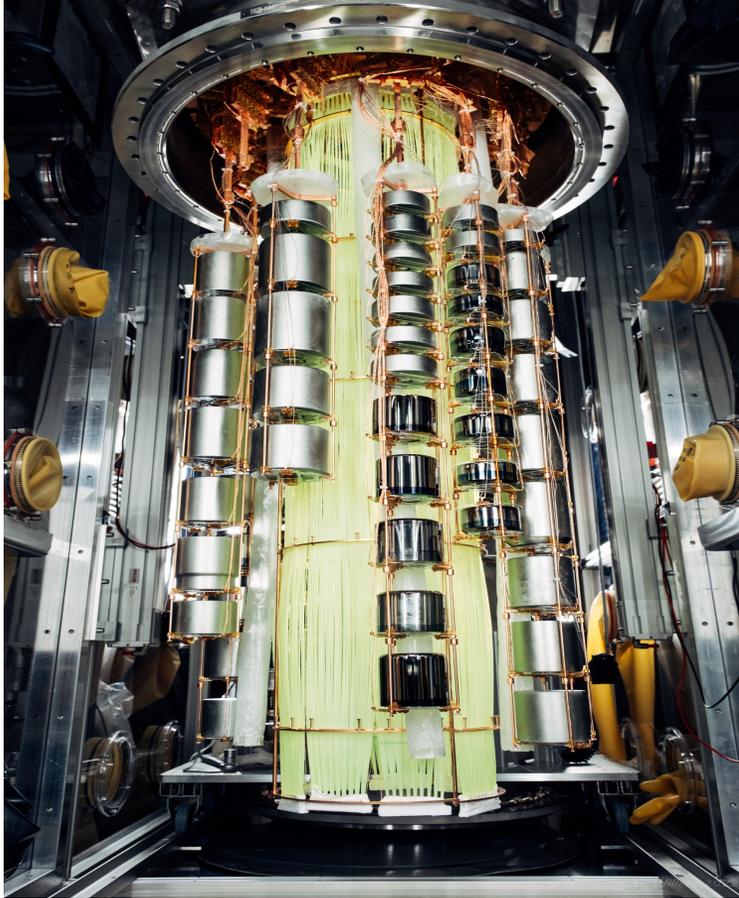


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LEGEND

Outline



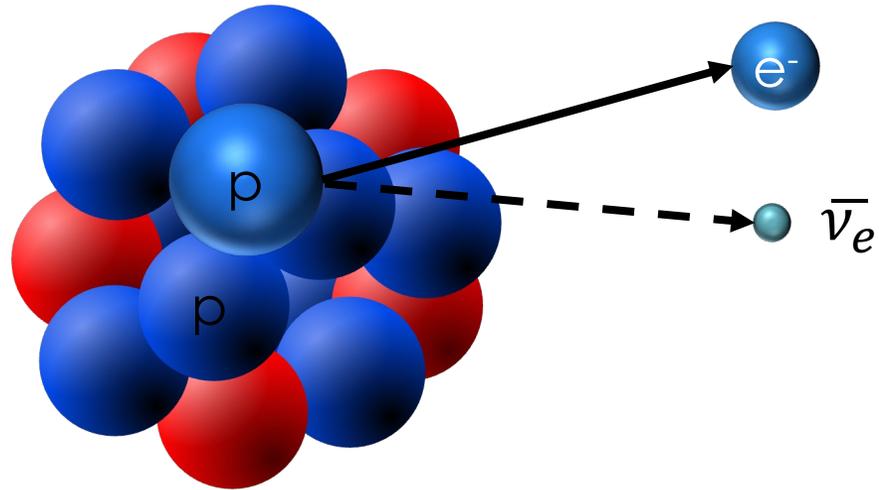
- Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay in ^{76}Ge
- ML-Assisted Simulations
 - Electronics Emulation and Validation (K. Bhimani, N. Gray, N. O'briant)
- ML-Enhanced Analysis Tools
 - Semi-Autonomous Data Cleaning (E. Leon, A. Bahena Schott)
 - LEGEND Baseline Model with Feature Importance Supervision (A. Li, K. Kilgus)
 - Other projects:
 - Self-supervised learning (A. Li)
 - Interpretable BDT for LEGEND Characterization (H. Nachman)
 - MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR Data Release (A. Li)
 - Creating a Co-56 Training Data Set (G. Duran)



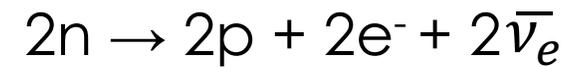
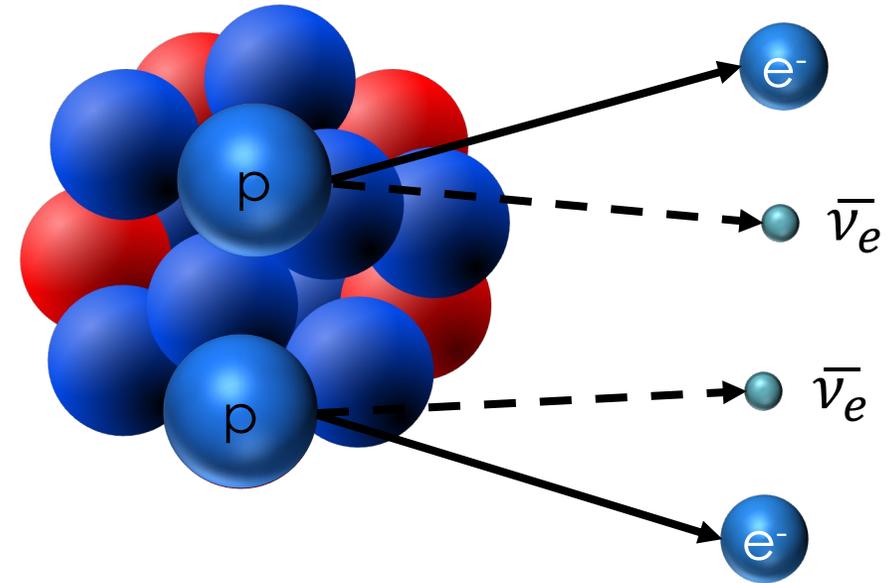
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From Beta Decay to Double Beta Decay

Beta Decay:

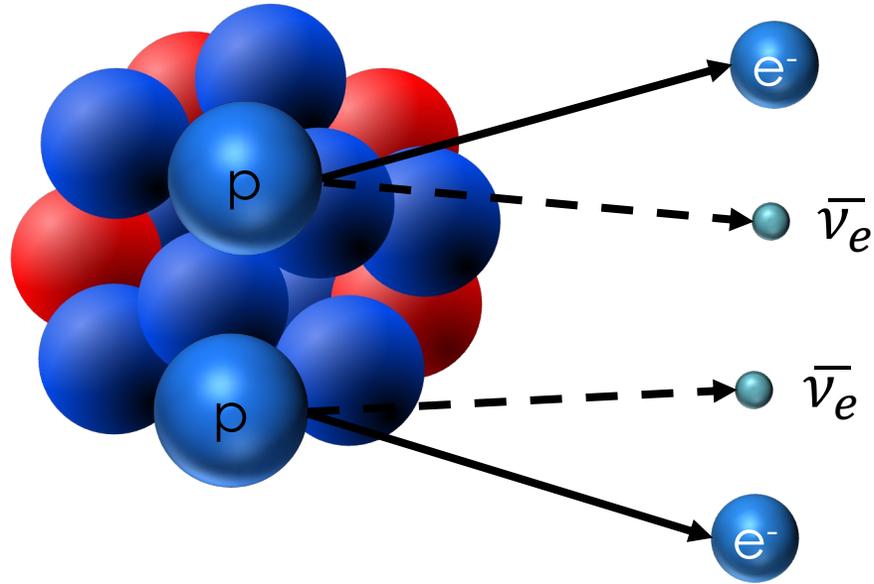


Double Beta Decay:



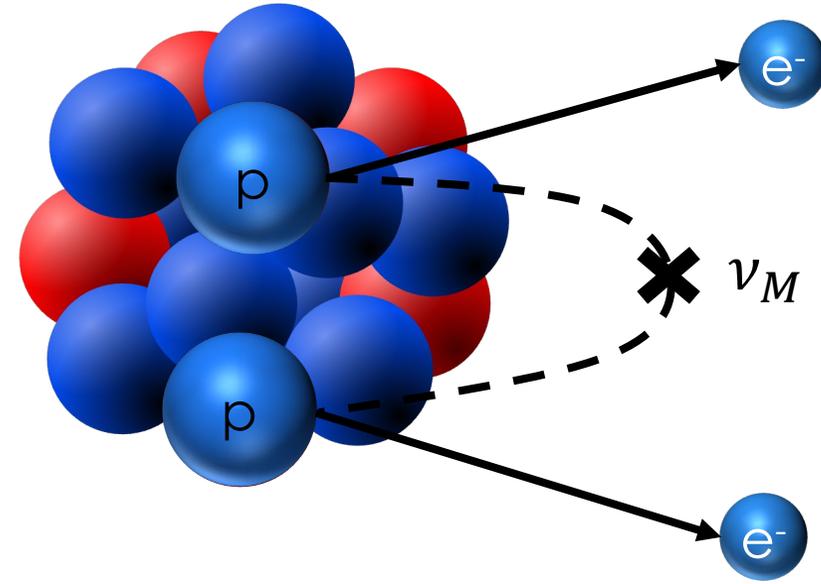
From $2\nu\beta\beta$ to $0\nu\beta\beta$

Double Beta Decay:



Standard Model
Physics

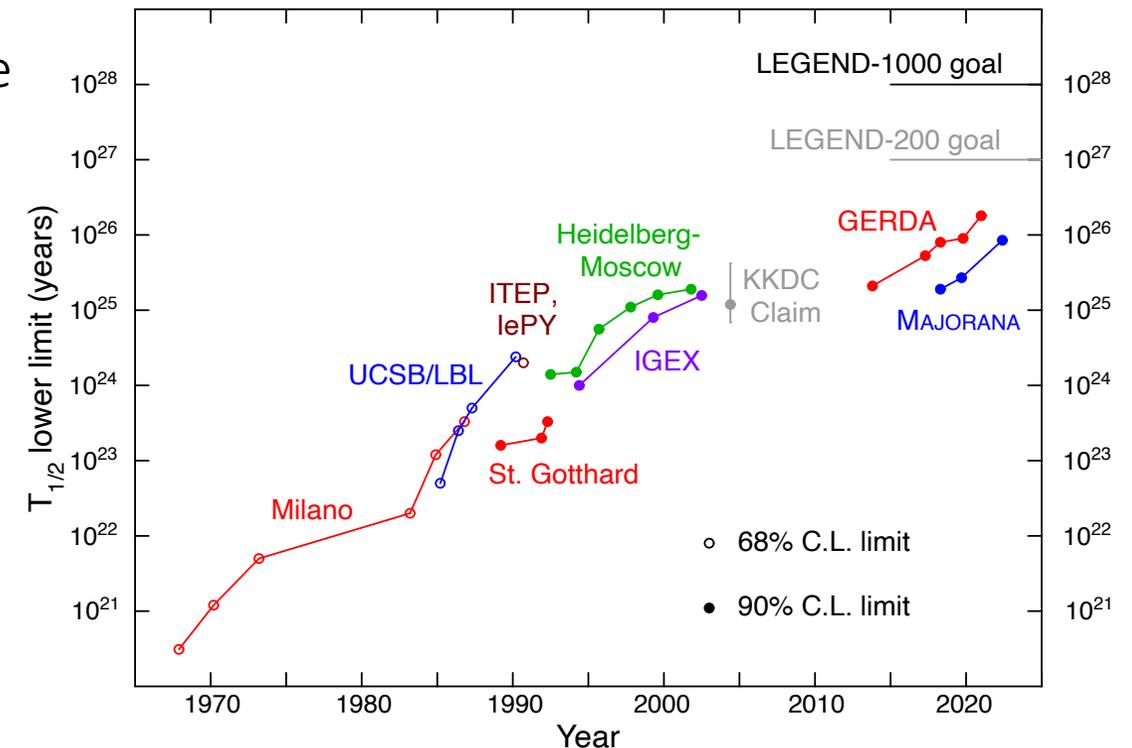
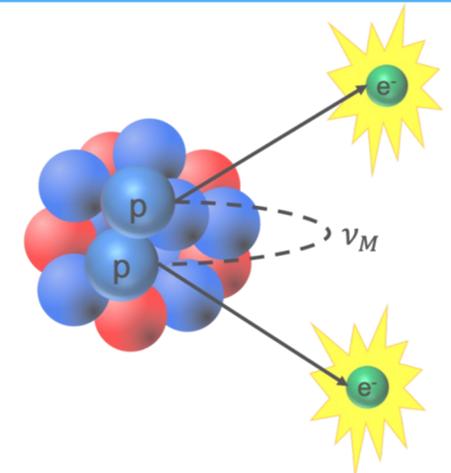
Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay:



New Physics!

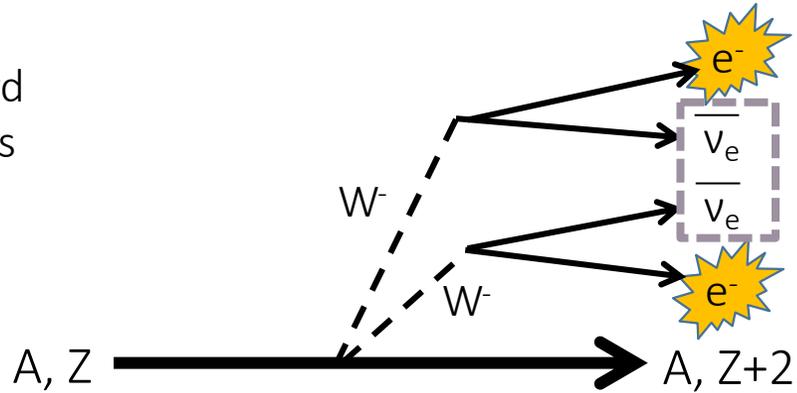
Why Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay?

- The discovery of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay would dramatically revise our foundational understanding of physics and the cosmos
 - Lepton number is not conserved
 - The neutrino is a fundamental Majorana particle
 - There is a potential path for understanding the matter – antimatter asymmetry in the cosmos, through leptogenesis
 - There is a new mechanism demonstrated for the generation of mass
- The search for $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay is one of the most compelling and exciting challenges in all of contemporary physics
- ^{76}Ge -based searches have proven very successful in searching for this ultra-rare process



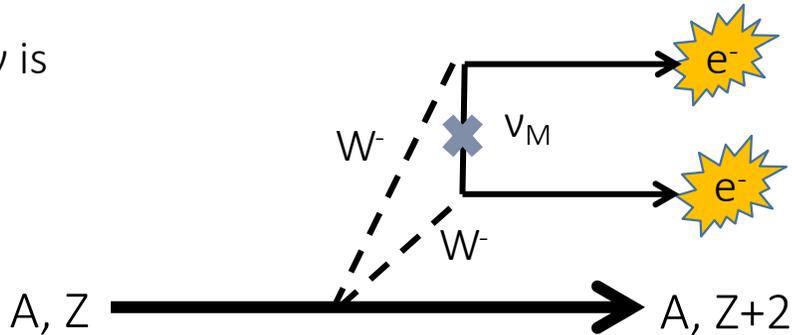
The $0\nu\beta\beta$ Signal

$2\nu\beta\beta$: Standard Model process

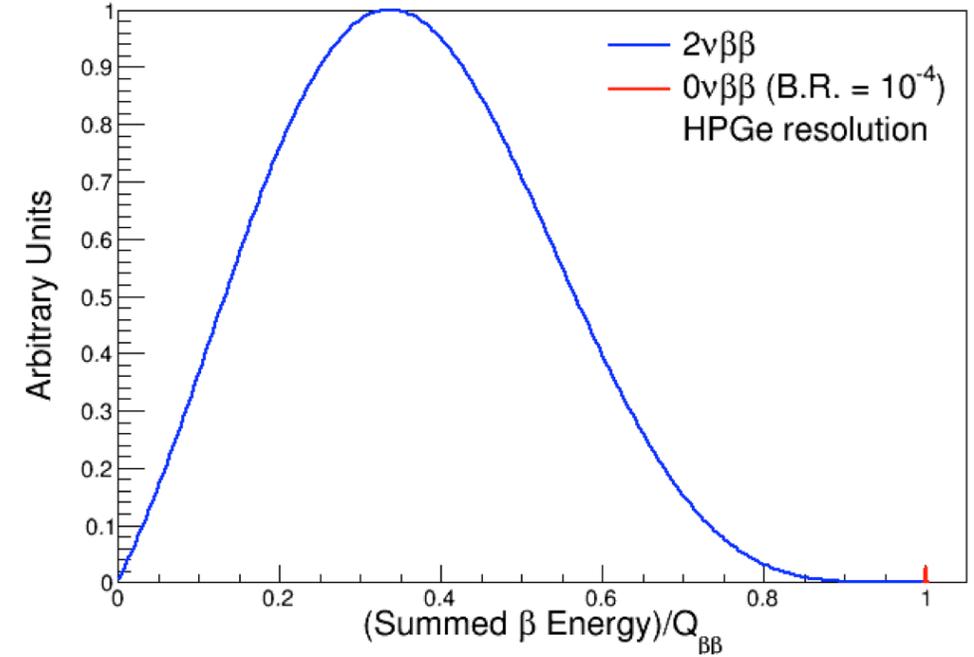


Missing energy

$0\nu\beta\beta$: Only if ν is Majorana



No missing energy

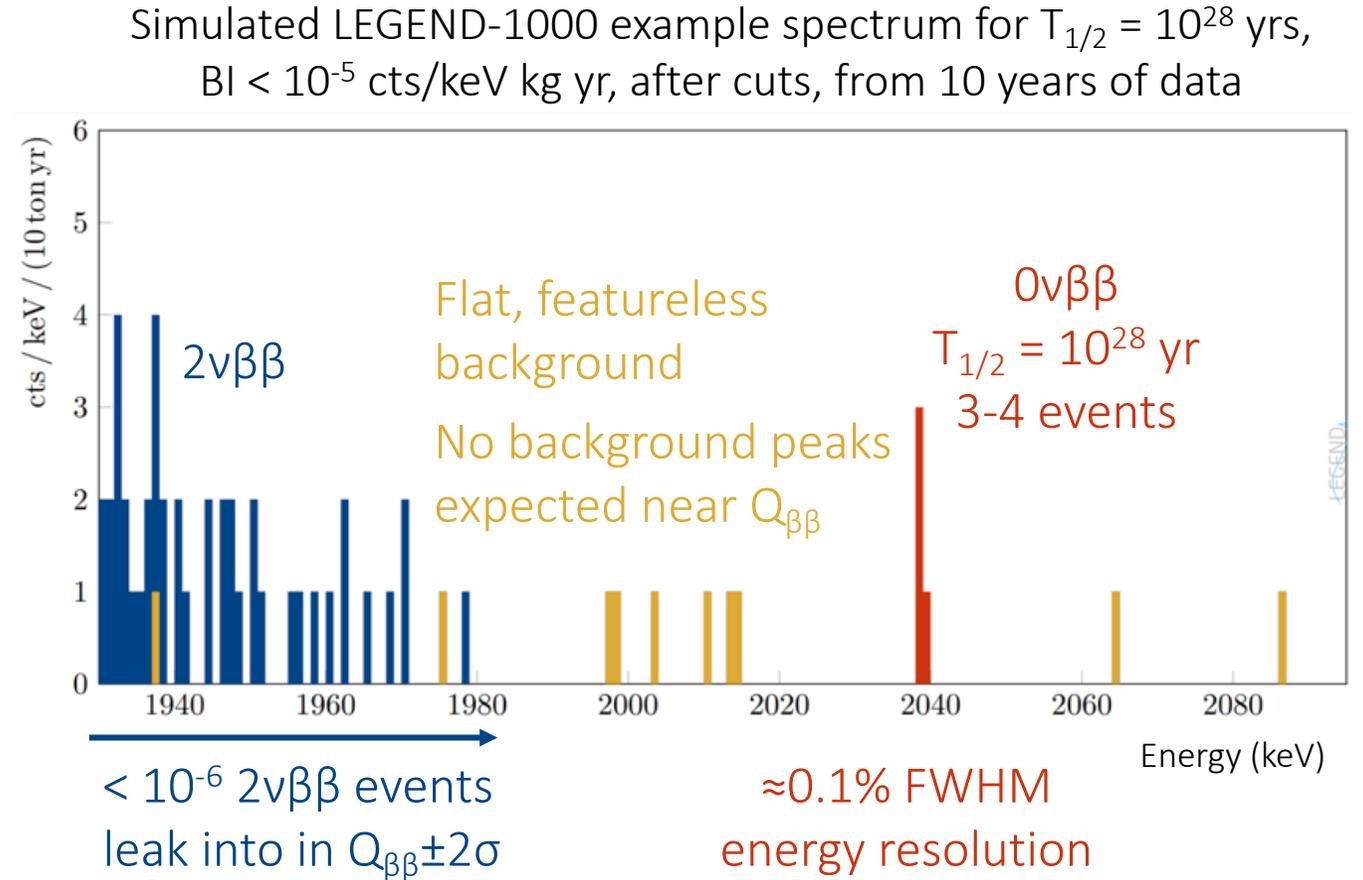


Event topology:

- β s don't travel far in HPGe
- $\beta\beta$ decays are "single-site" events
- γ backgrounds are often "multi-site"
- α and β backgrounds concentrated on detector surfaces

Designing for Unambiguous Discovery

- What is required for a discovery of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay?
- Long half-lives mean you need large exposures. For 3-4 counts of $0\nu\beta\beta$ at...
 - 10^{26} years: 100 kg-years
 - 10^{27} years: 1 ton-year
 - 10^{28} years: 10 ton-years
- Need a good signal-to-background ratio to get statistical significance
 - A very low **background event rate**
 - The best possible **energy resolution**



At every stage, $0\nu\beta\beta$ searches in ^{76}Ge are designed for unambiguous discovery: their goal is quasi-background free operation for their full exposure

From the Current Generation to the Ton Scale



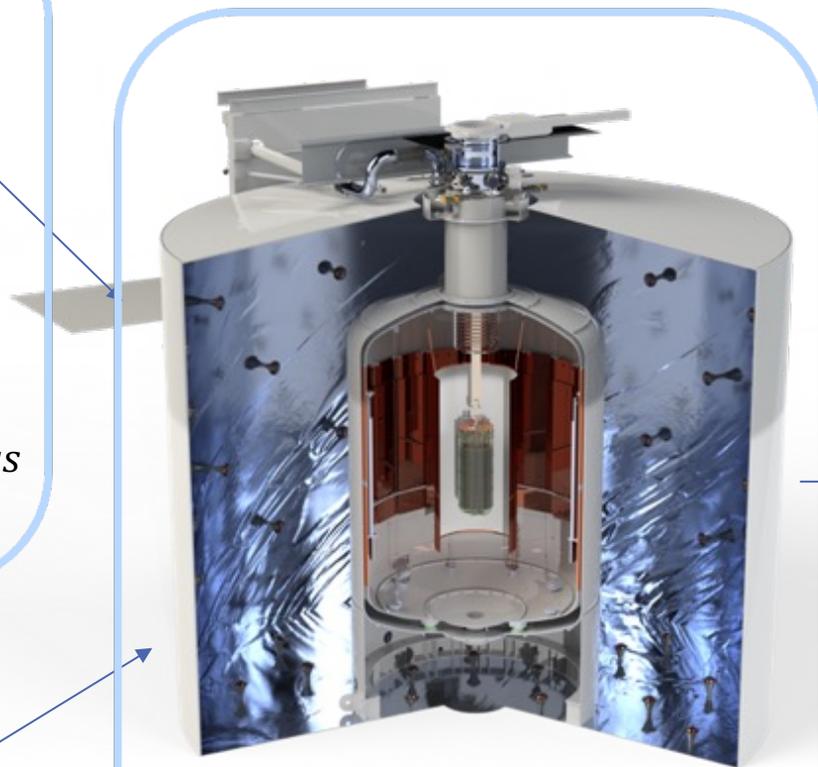
MJD Final $0\nu\beta\beta$ results: $T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} > 8.3 \times 10^{25} \text{ yrs}$

PRL 130, 062501 (2023)

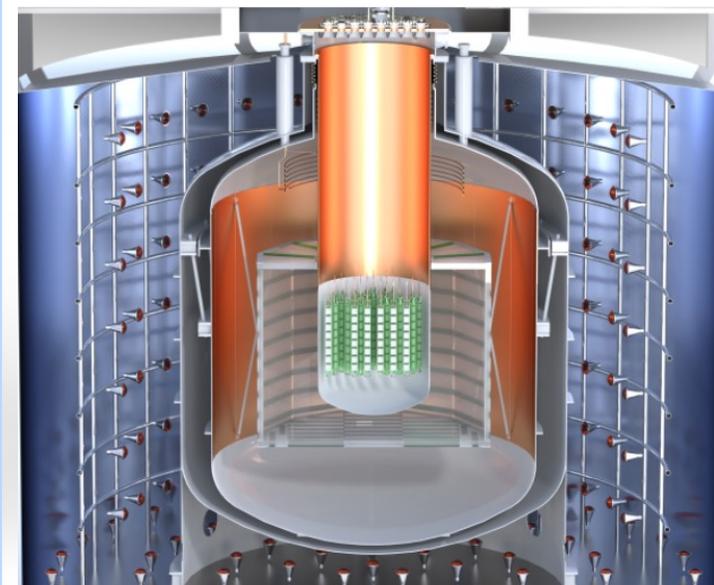


GERDA Final $0\nu\beta\beta$ results: $T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} > 1.8 \times 10^{26} \text{ yrs}$

PRL 125, 252502 (2020)



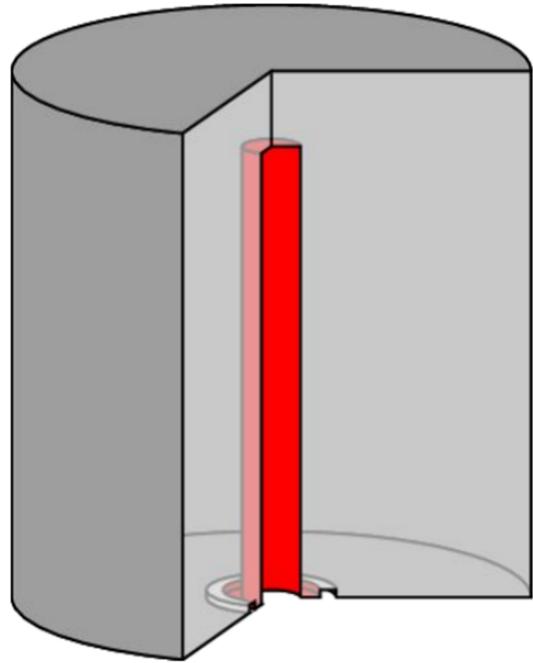
LEGEND-200: Taking data



LEGEND-1000: Conceptual design development continuing

arXiv: 2107.11462

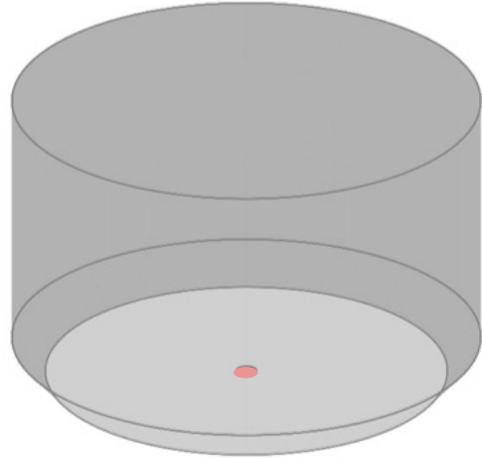
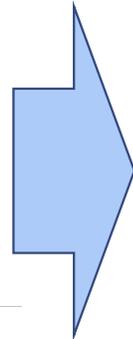
Germanium Detector Innovation



(Semi)-Coaxial

- Large mass (2-3 kg)
- Background rejection using ANN

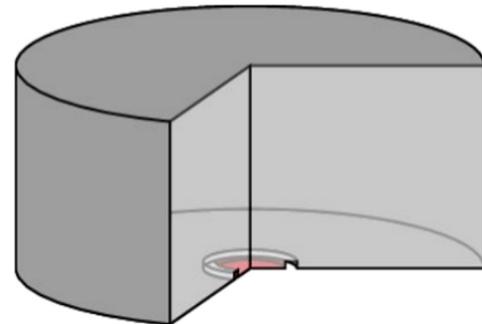
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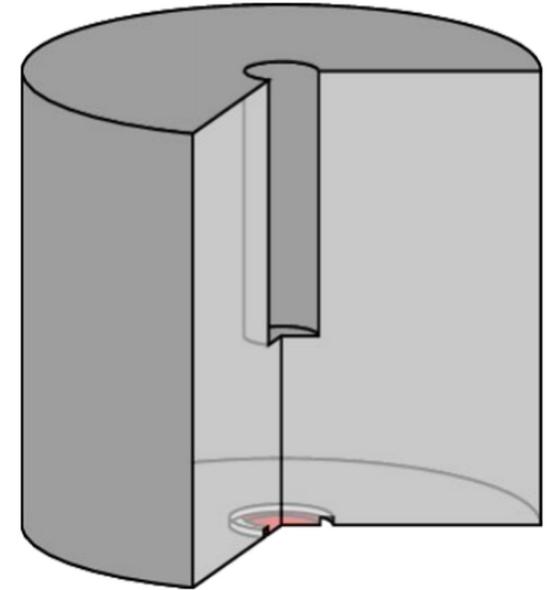
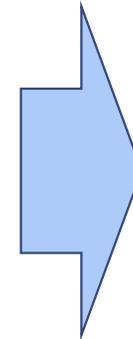
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- Small mass (< 1 kg)
- Excellent background rejection with traditional methods



BeGe

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Inverted-Coaxial

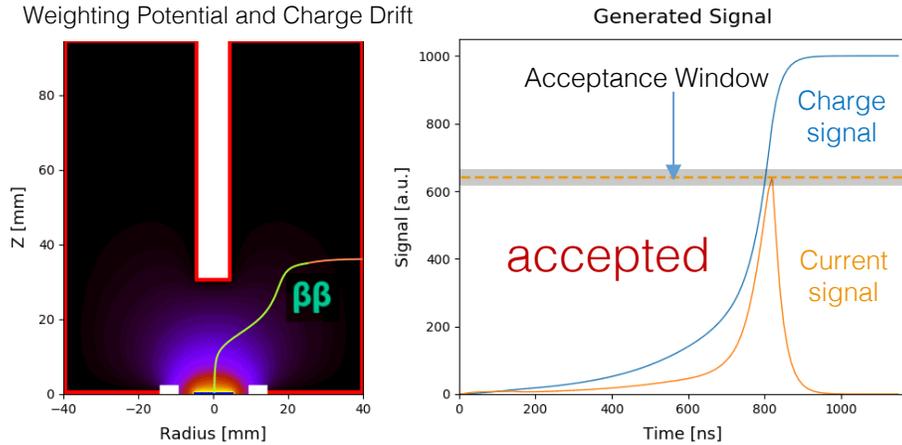
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- Newly developed for LEGEND
- Large mass (up to 4 kg)
- Excellent background rejection with traditional methods

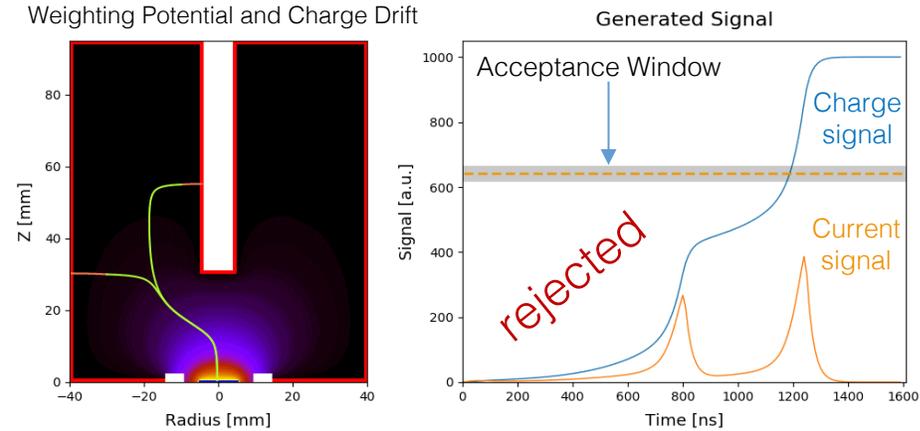
Materials from the GERDA and MAJORANA Collaborations

Background Rejection in Point Contact Detectors

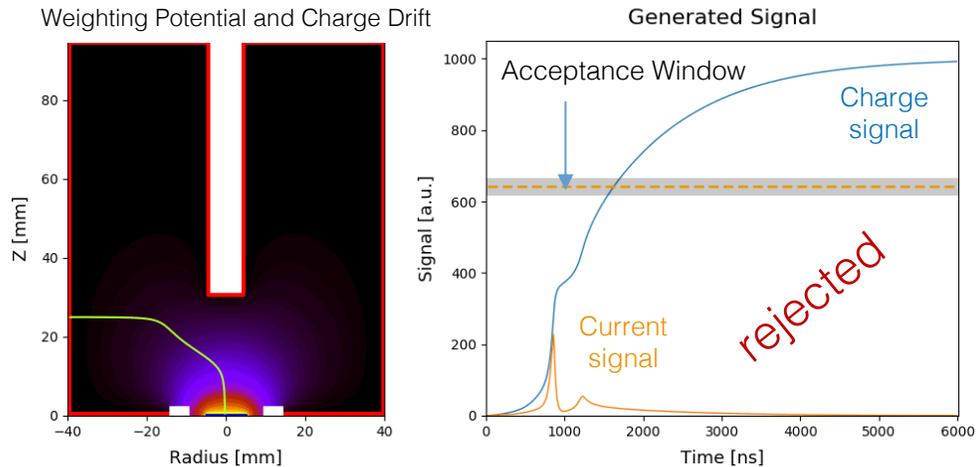
$0\nu\beta\beta$ signal candidate (single-site)



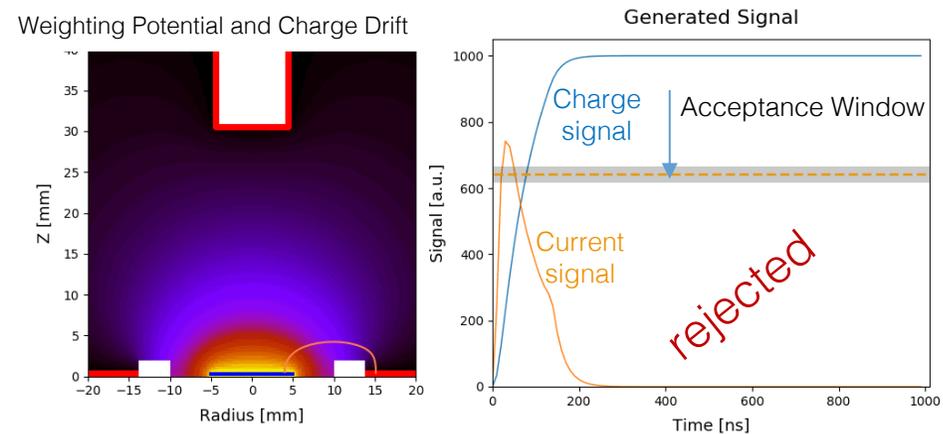
γ -background (multi-site)



Surface background on n+ contact

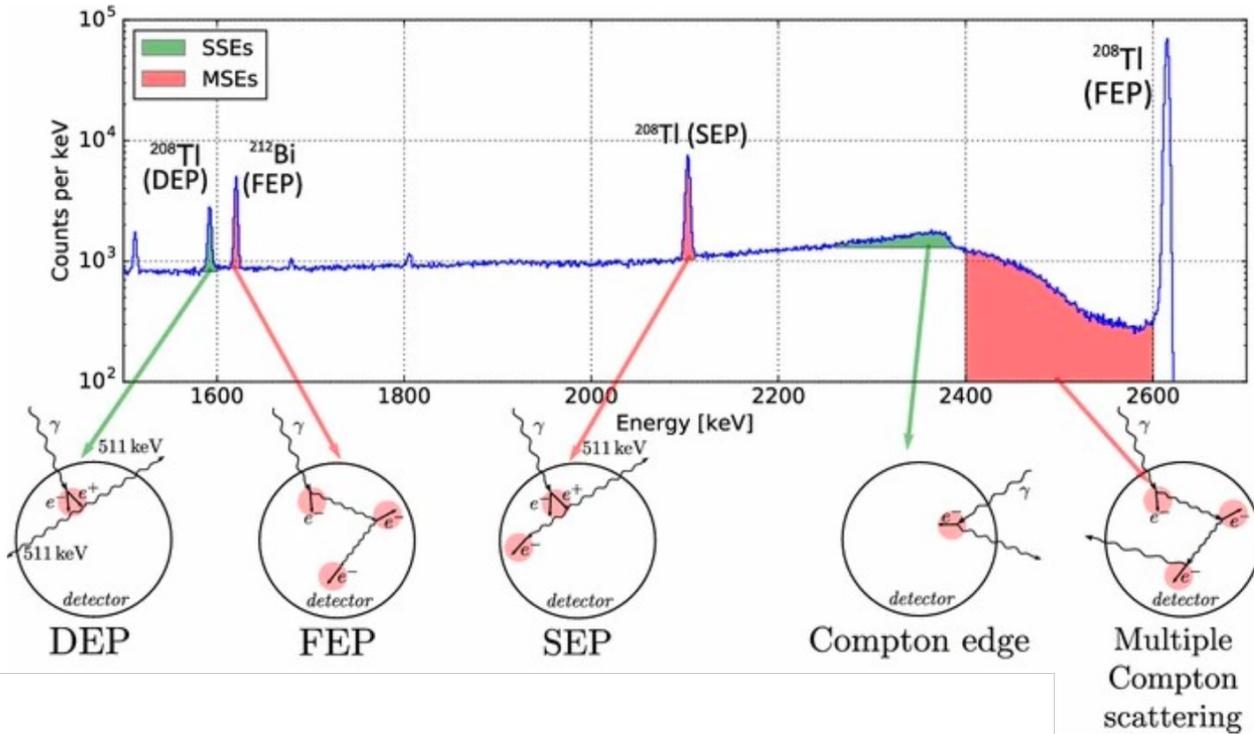


Surface background on p+ contact

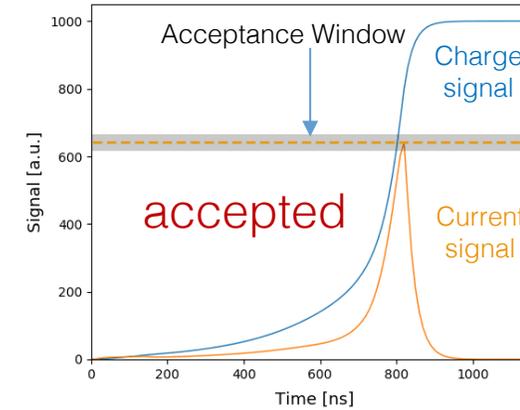


External α , β , and γ backgrounds all create distinctive pulse shapes, allowing for highly efficient $\beta\beta$ decay event selection

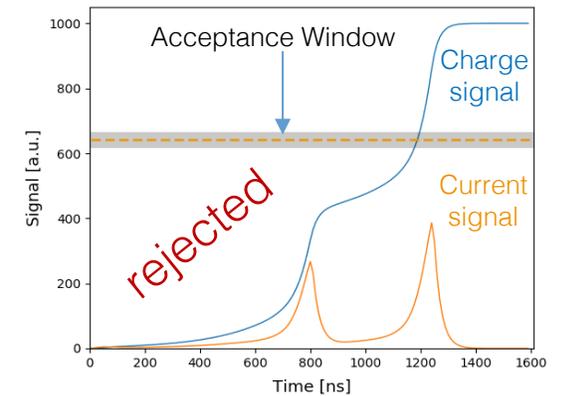
Energy and Pulse Shape Parameter Calibration



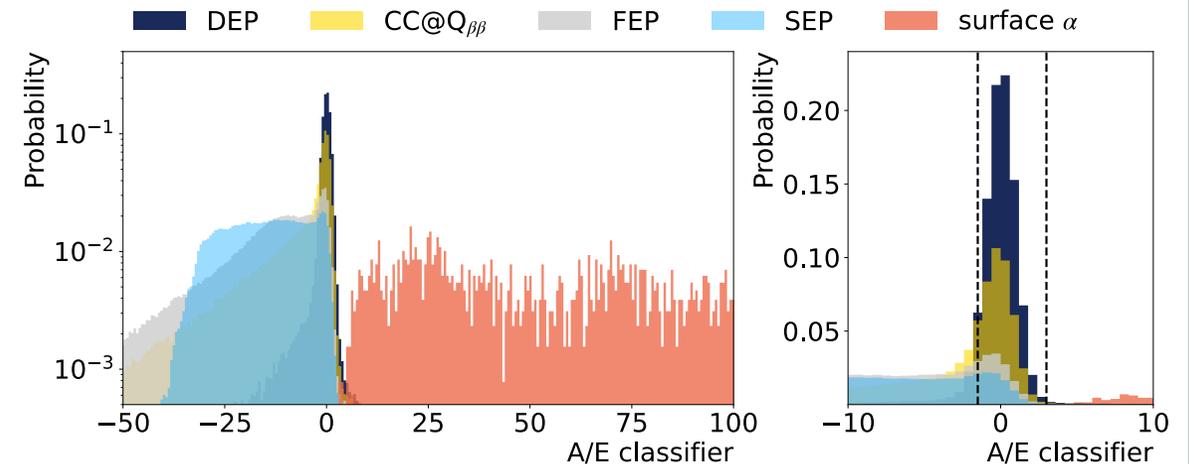
DEP: Single-Site



SEP: Multi-Site



- Weekly Th-228 source deployments used for energy scale calibration
- Also used for pulse shape discrimination parameter calibration
 - Double Escape Peak: single-site $0\nu\beta\beta$ proxy
 - Single Escape Peak: multi-site proxy



Implications for AI/ML

- Granular Detectors + Low Backgrounds
 - Low rate of physics events (< 1 Hz per detector)
 - Noise-induced events can make up a large fraction of triggered waveforms
 - Allows time-intensive analysis of final waveforms, but algorithms should also run on much larger calibration data sets to confirm signal acceptance rate and stability
- “Traditional” pulse-shape parameters perform quite well for background rejection
 - Build network structures that improve on existing pulse-shape parameters or leverage signal physics knowledge
 - Use AI/ML for tasks other than signal/background event classification
- Discovery could be claimed based on as few as 3 events
 - Analysis interpretability is key

Project Goals and Team

- Overall goal: improve scalability and capabilities of analysis methods for the Majorana Demonstrator and LEGEND using ML tools
 - Reduce detector-by-detector and run-by-run calibration steps
 - Enable near-real-time analysis of commissioning data
 - Develop methods to use more information from the waveform shape to improve background modeling and rejection
- 5 projects within these goals:
 - Interpretable Boosted Decision Tree for MJD and LEGEND
 - Semi-autonomous Data Cleaning for LEGEND-200
 - Electronics Response Emulation and Removal for LEGEND
 - Self-supervised Learning for Waveform Classification in LEGEND
 - ~~Build Local High Powered Computer for Algorithm Prototyping~~
 - Create ML Validation and Training Data Set with Co-56



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Student



K. Bhimani,
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G. Duran,
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K. Kilgus, Visiting
PhD Student

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A. Bahena Schott, N. Gray, N. O'briant

Group Demographics:

5/10 women

5/10 Hispanic or African Am.



Germanium Machine Learning (GeM) Group

Leverage efficient and interpretable AI to aid all aspects of LEGEND analysis and simulation

Lay groundwork for constructing an independent AI analysis chain

Leverage resources to educate domestic and international collaborators to gain AI experience



Completed Project



Ongoing/Future Project

E. Leon Autonomous Data Cleaning and Run Monitor

Data Cleaning

Data Quality

Background Veto

Dr. T. Oli LBM Network PSA

Dr. A. Li, H. Nachman Interpretable BDT

Spectrum Fitting

Dr. A. Li Develop LEGEND Baseline Model (LBM)

K. Kilgus, Dr. A. Li Enhance LBM with Feature Importance Supervision

A. Alexander LBM Dead Layer Fitting

Reconstruction

L. Paudel LBM Site Energy Reconstruction

R. Pitelka LBM Position Reconstruction

MC Tuning

Dr. A. Li Cyclic Positional U-Net
K. Bhimani

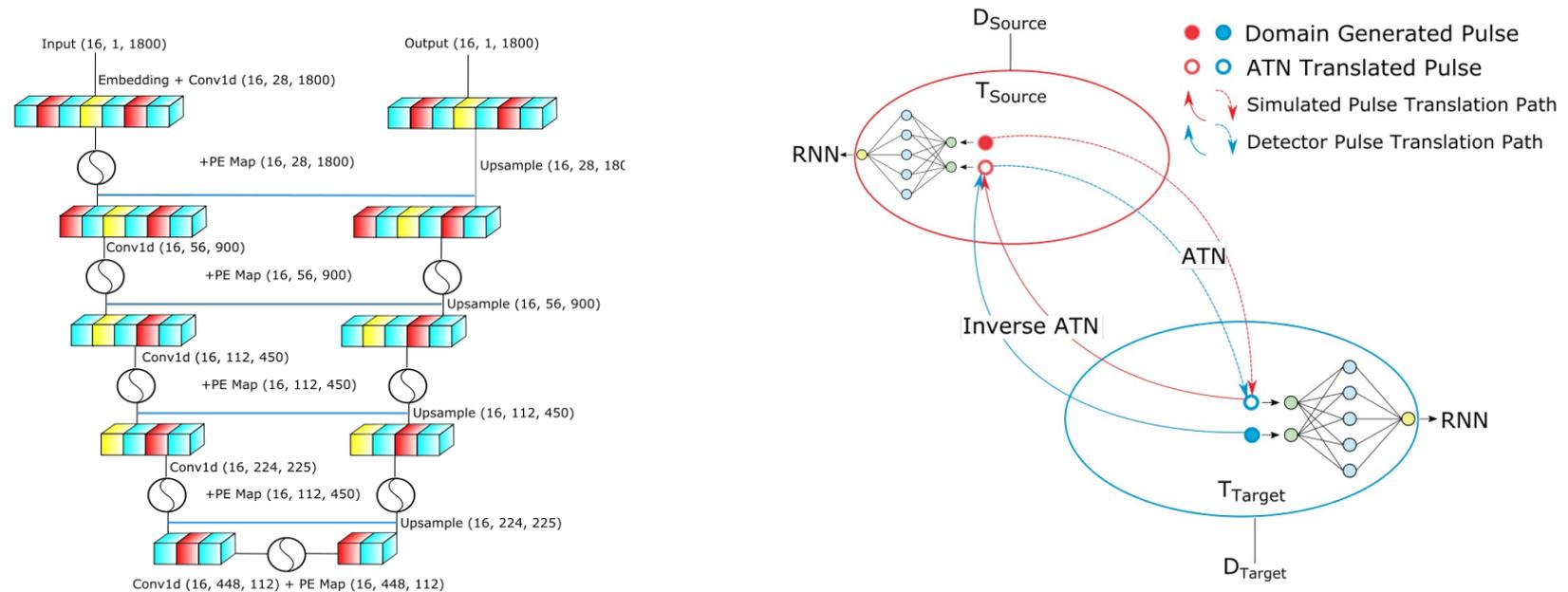
MC Simulation

N. Zareskii GAN Waveform Simulation

Dr. A. Shuetz Neutron Moderator Design Emulation

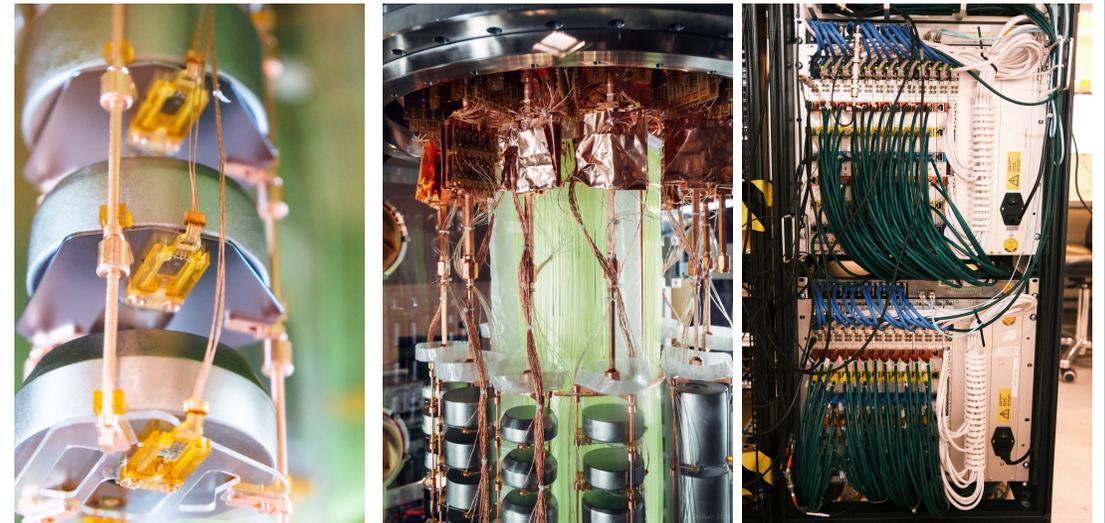
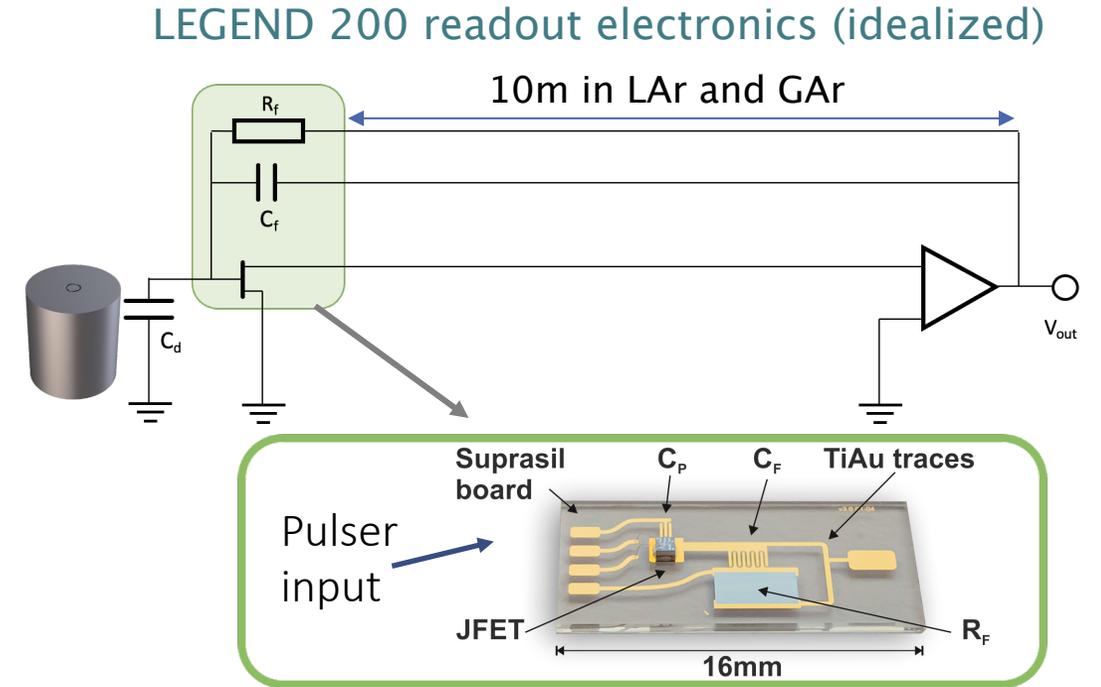
Help LEGEND achieve low-risk, high-impact discovery of $0\nu\beta\beta$

ML-Assisted Simulations

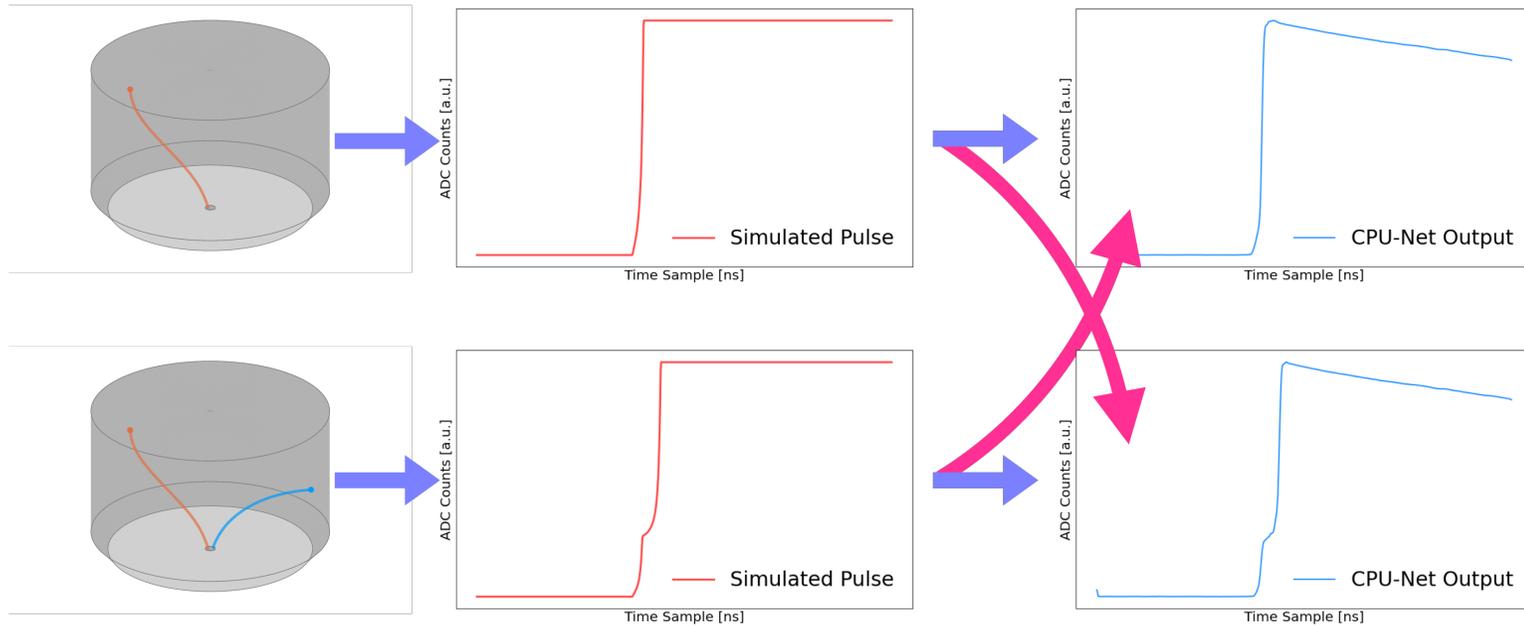


Electronics Emulation: Motivation

- Pulse-shape simulations based on detector response are quite advanced, but are not being used regularly for background modeling due to difficulties in modeling electronics chain response
- Fitting-based approach for MJD proved unfeasible:
 - Requires highly-degenerate detector-dependent 12-parameter fit
 - Instability in electronics causes changes over time, requiring repeated fits
- Emulating electronics would allow for:
 - Improved modeling of PSD performance and systematics
 - Improved L1000 detector and ASIC design
 - Position reconstruction inside the detectors
- True electronics deconvolution would improve performance of PSD

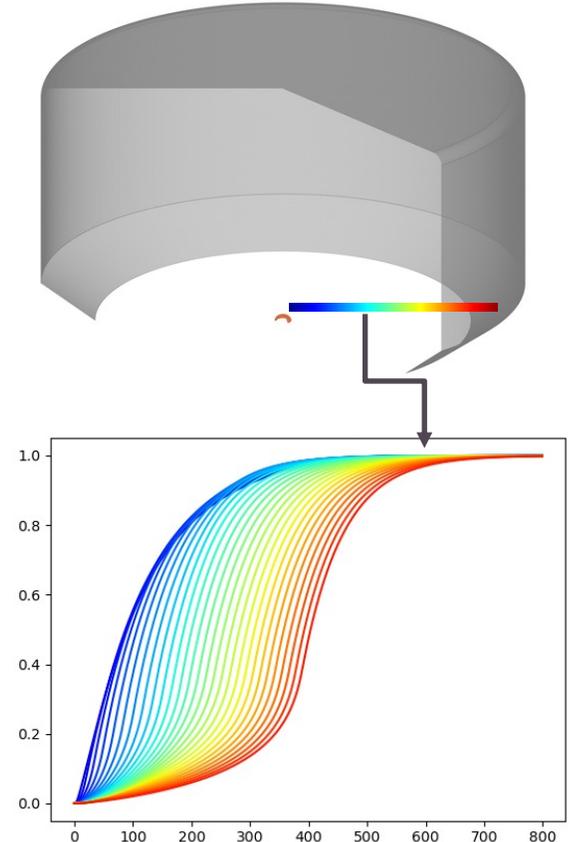


Electronics Emulation: Goals



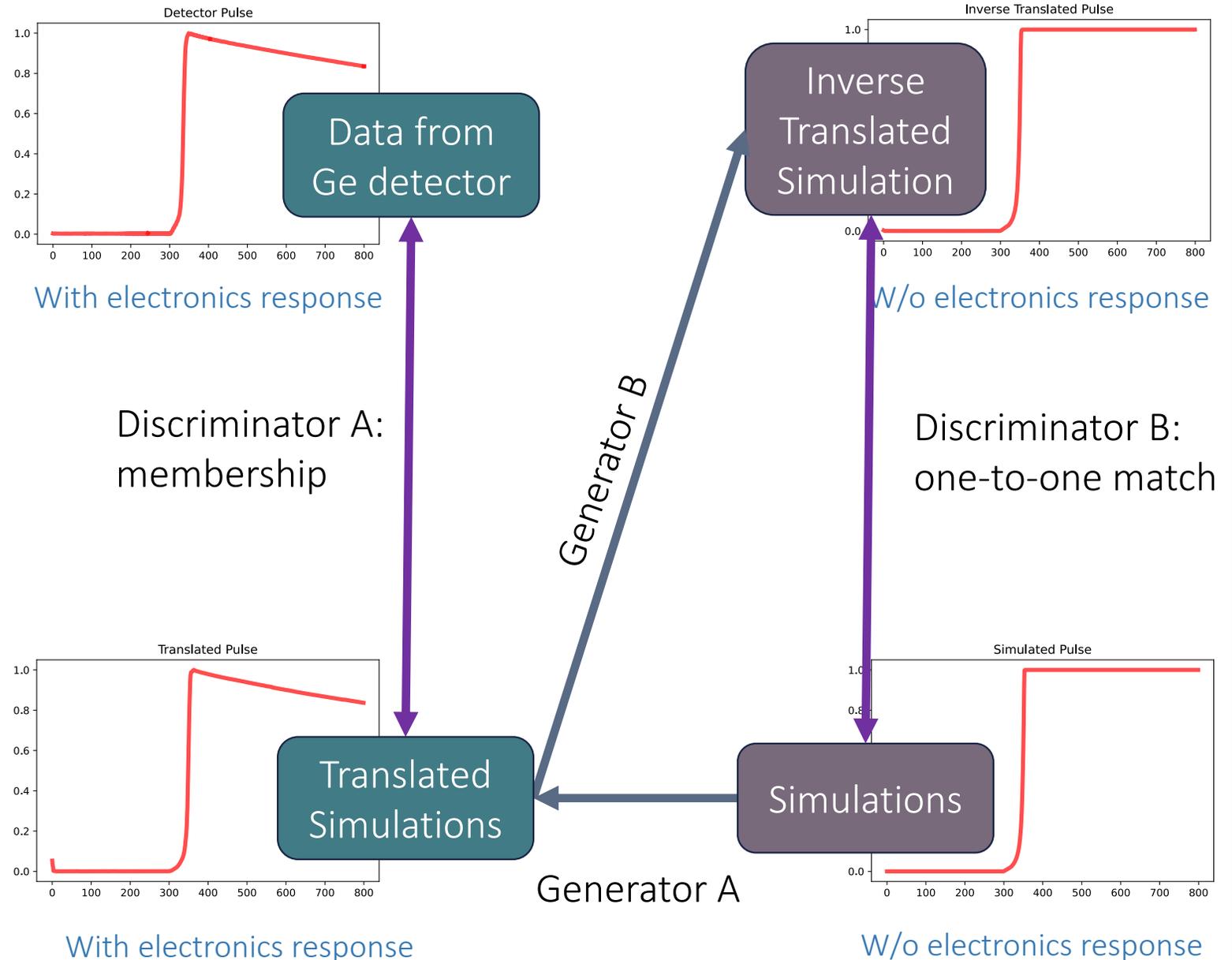
- Goals: create a network structure that can learn both forward (convolution) and backward (deconvolution) transforms to mimic electronics response that can be trained using in-situ LEGEND data
- Two requirements:
 - Preserve underlying topology and position information: multi-site vs. single-site, surface effects, position in detector
 - Reproduce key waveform features, initially tested by studying ensemble distributions such as decay tail, baseline noise and current amplitude distribution

Simulated Pulses in PPC Detector



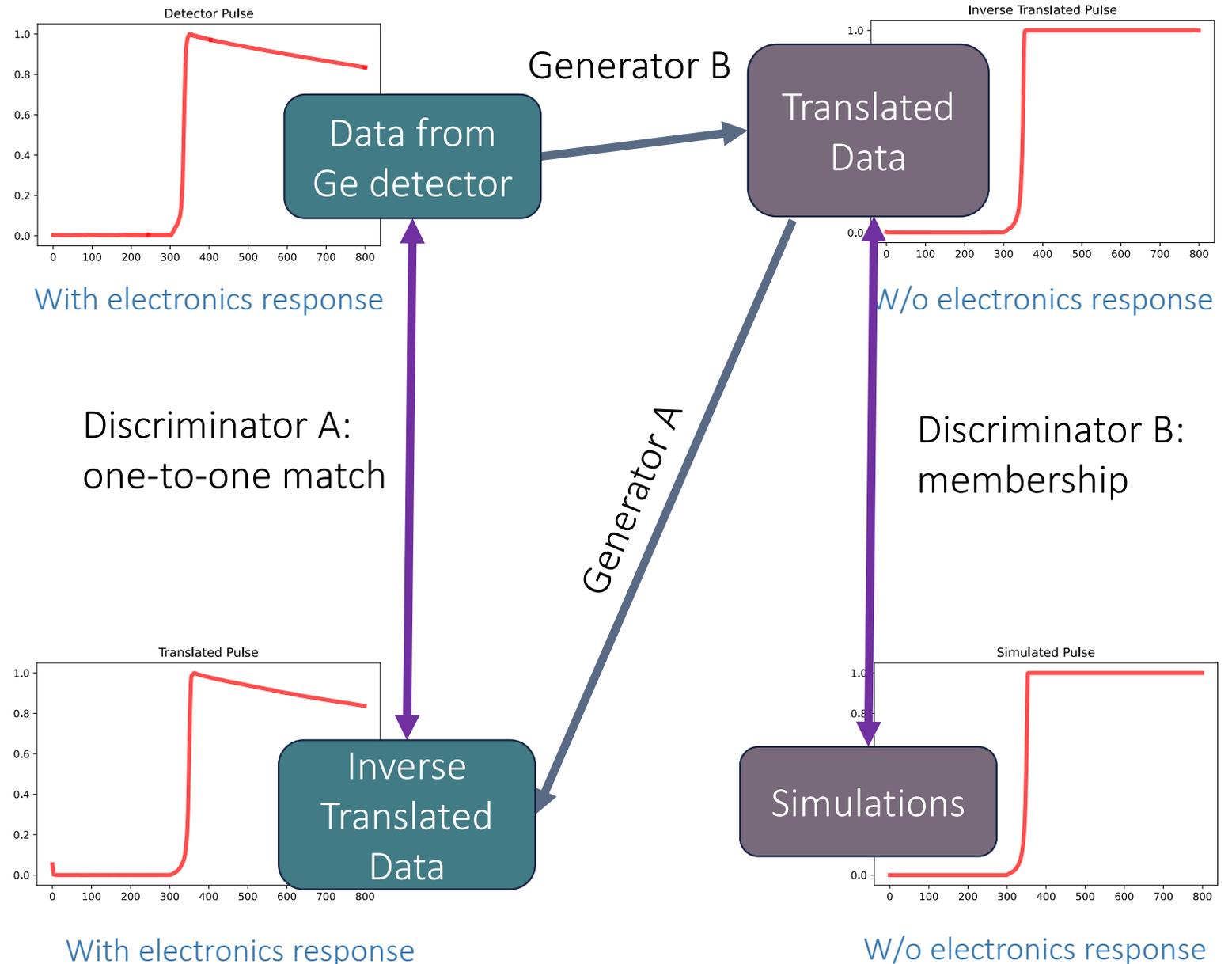
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- Discriminator is an RNN with an attention mechanism (LEGEND Baseline Model) that has been demonstrated in a variety of waveform discrimination tasks



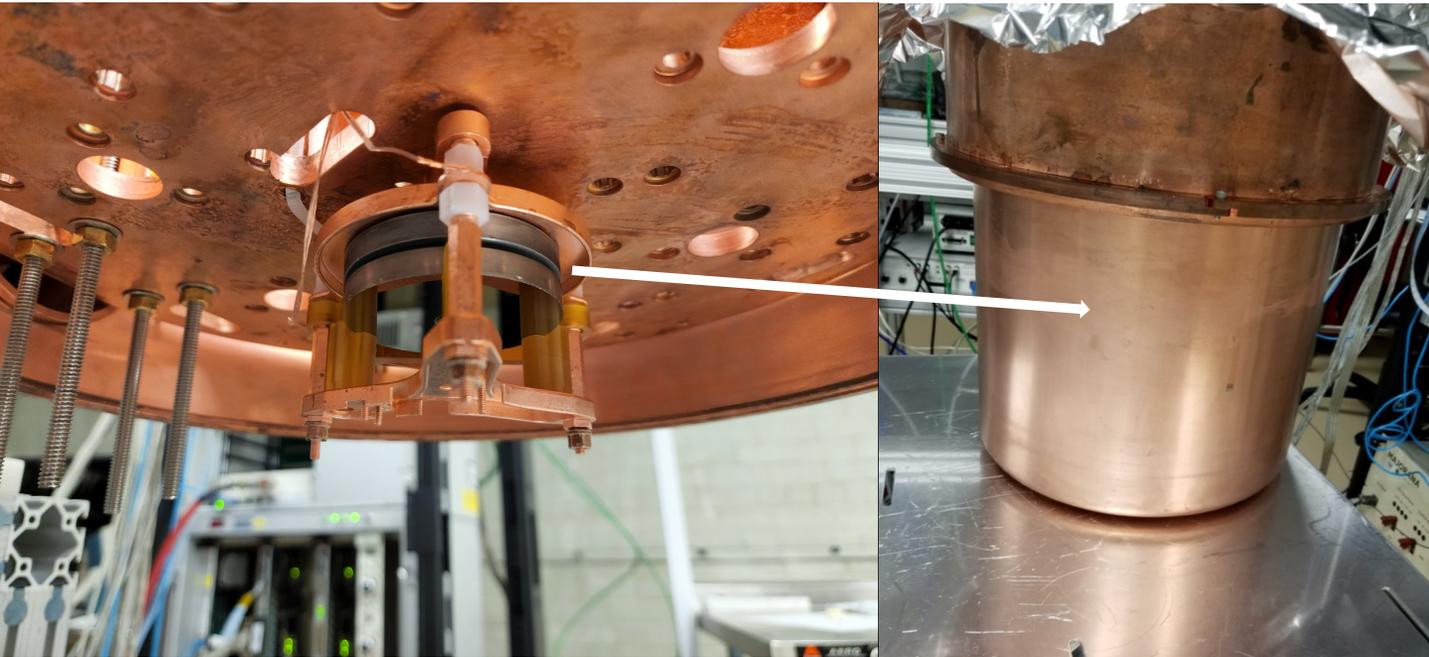
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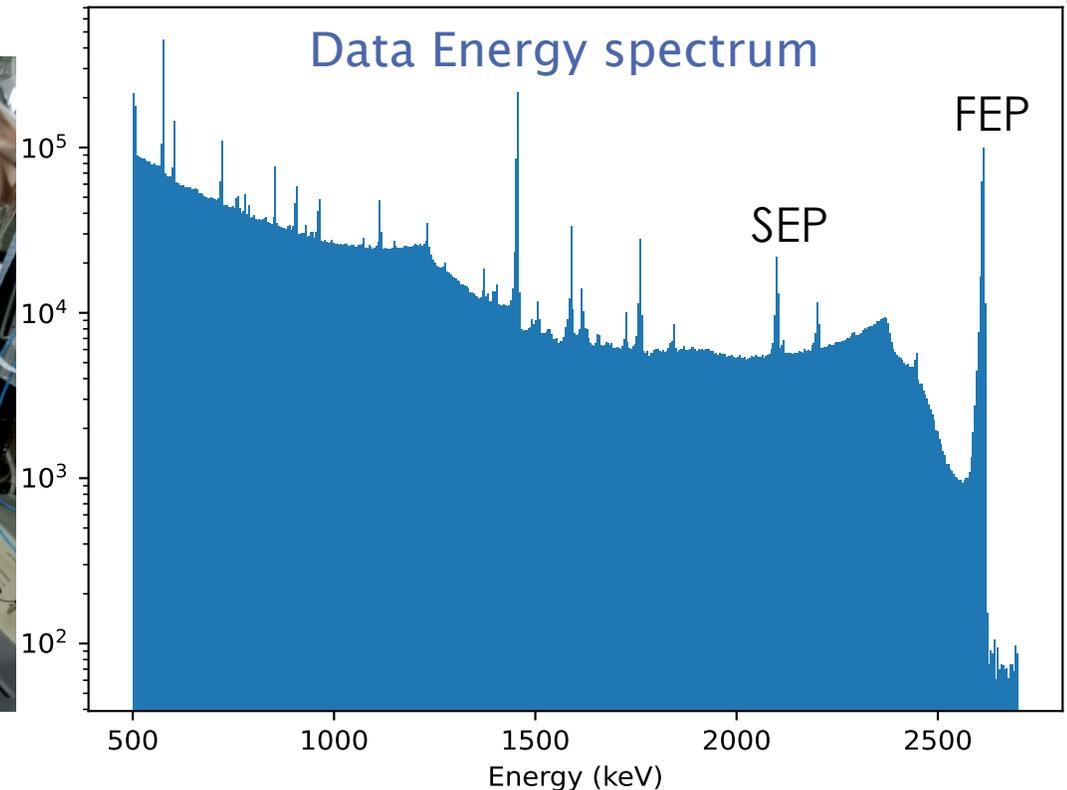


Electronics Emulation: Training

- Proof of concept based on Th-228 calibrations of a BEGe detector at UNC
- Detector hits generated in Geant4 simulation; waveforms simulated with Siggen
- Training consist of updating weights of two generators and two discriminators using data and simulated pulses
- Trained on 90k Full energy peak events (FEP): combination of single- and multi-site
- Validated on 27k single escape peak events (SEP): primarily multi-site

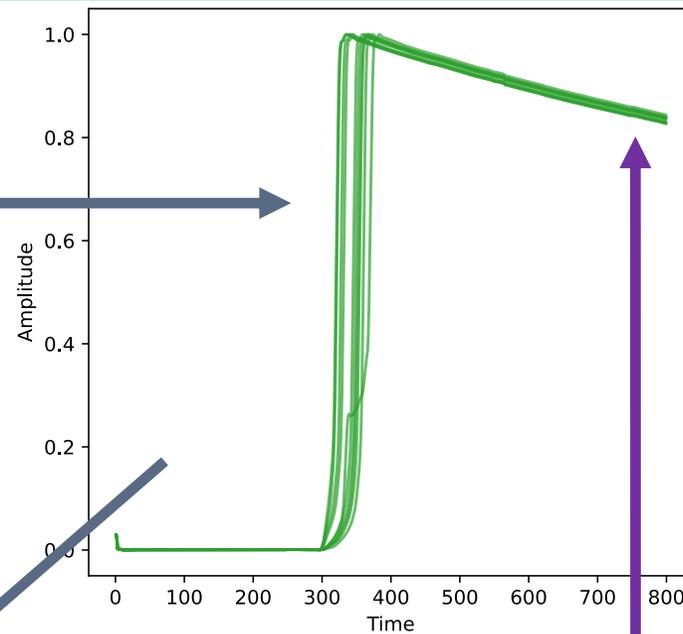
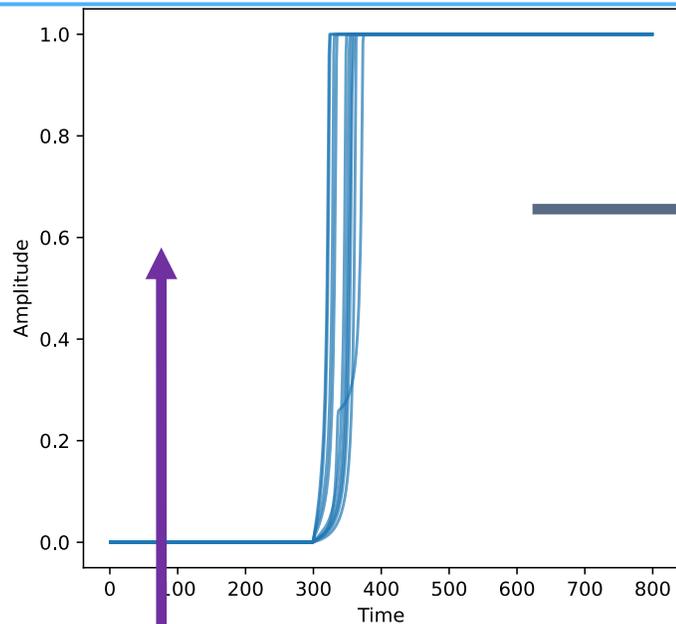


Germanium detector and outer copper cryostat



Electronics Emulation: Training Results on FEP

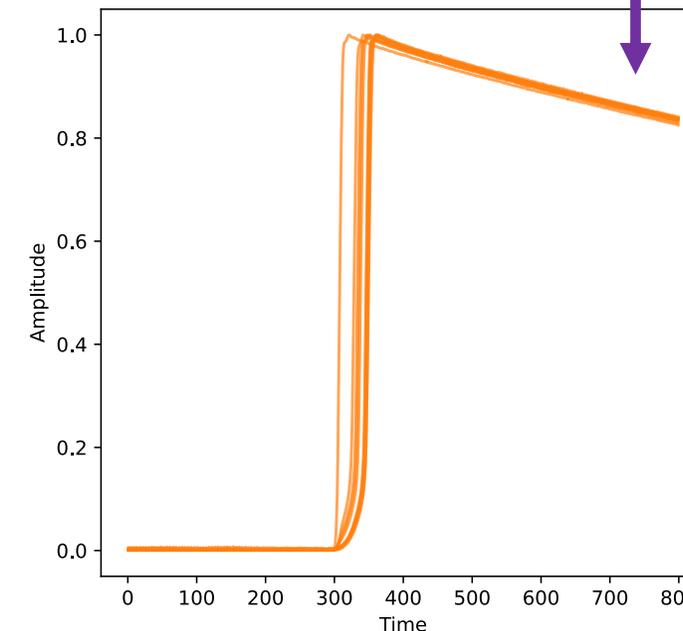
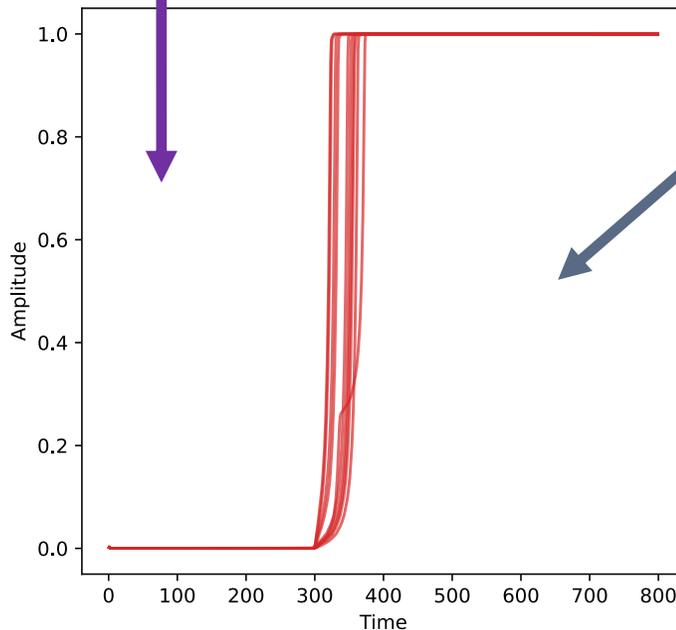
Simulated pulses



Translated Pulse

By eye, results are looking good!

Inverse Translated pulses

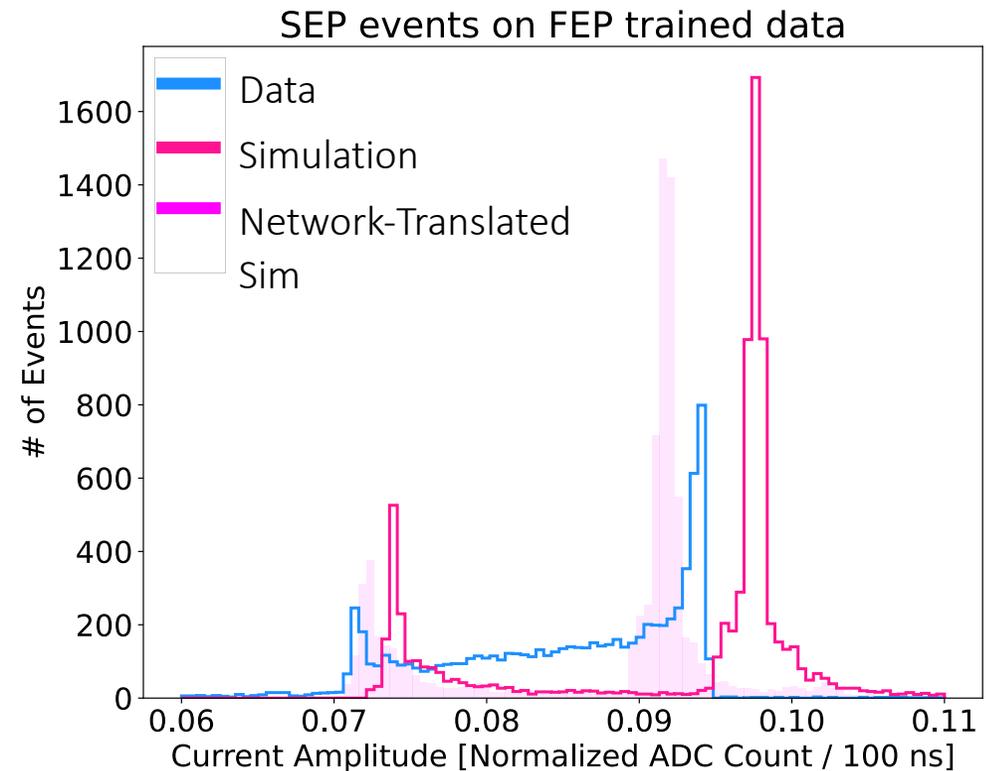
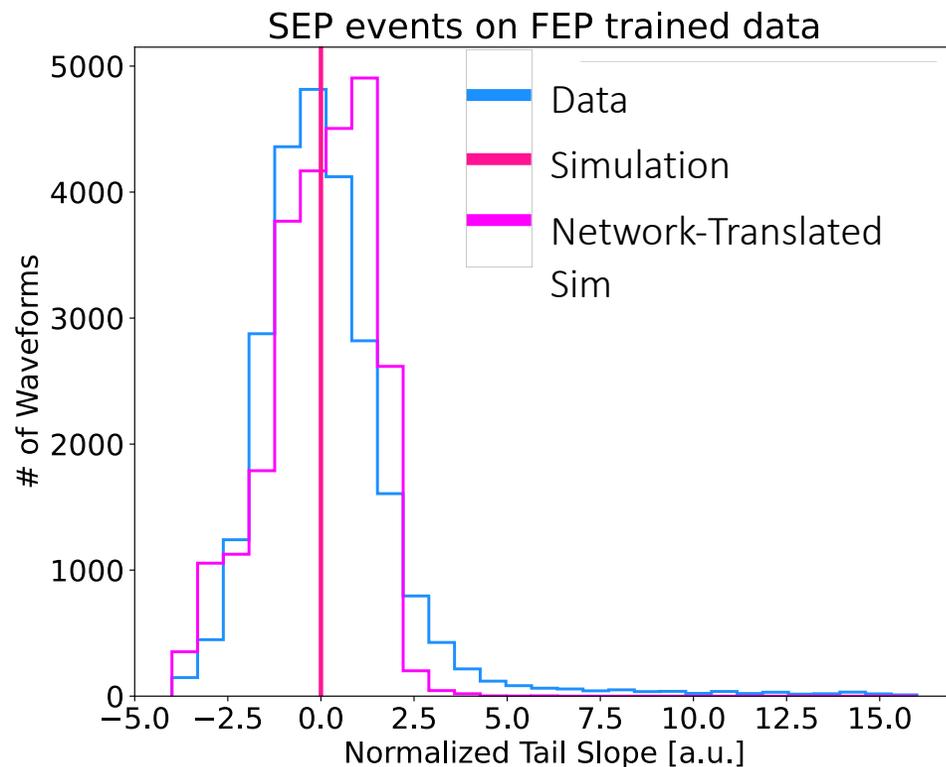


Detector Pulses

Electronics Emulation: Results

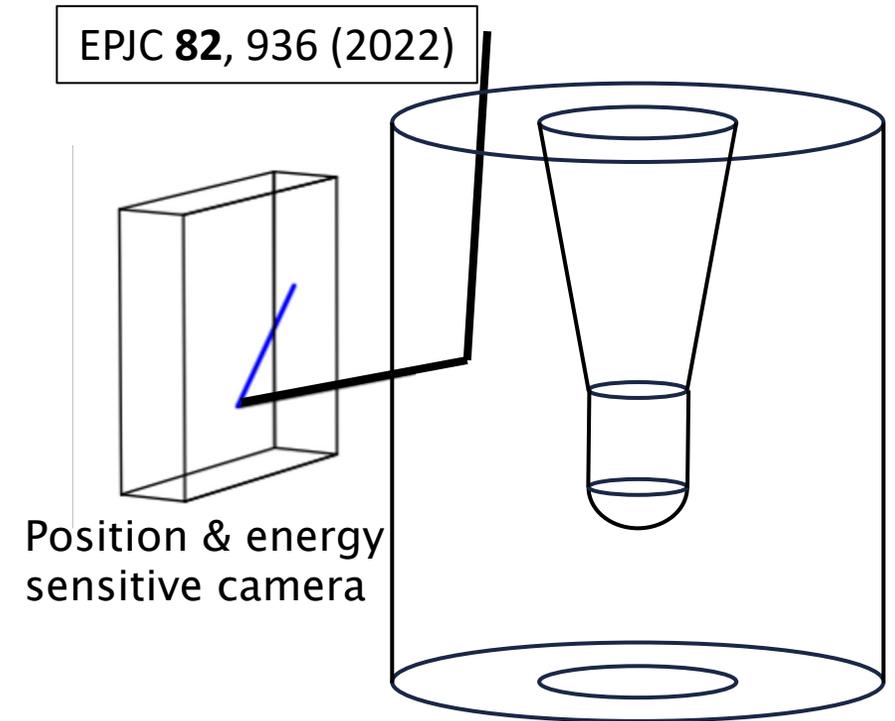
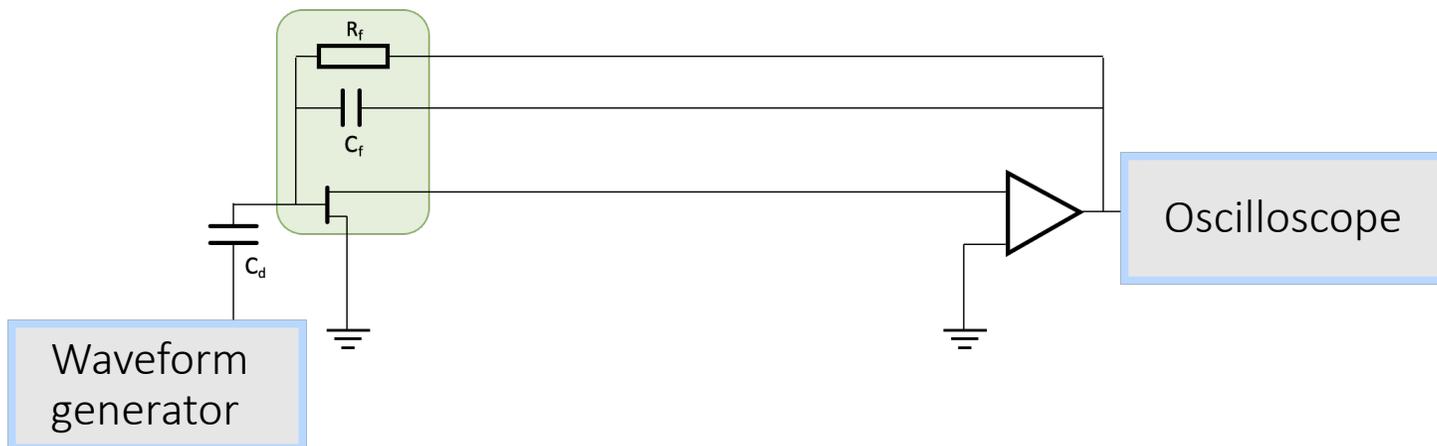
- The model learns to translate the flat tail of simulations into an exponential decay
- Distribution of waveforms amplitude slows to move towards the data (low-pass filter effect)
- Mismatch in current amplitude distributions seems to be an issue with the simulation geometry and settings: simulation is over-predicting multi-site population in low-current peak
- Next steps: switch to using LEGEND characterization data, with lower backgrounds and better-measured geometry; test behavior with pre-applied basic single-component decay

Technical paper published as part of the NeurIPS 2022 Workshop on Machine Learning in the Physical Sciences: “Ad-hoc Pulse Shape Simulation using Cyclic Positional U-Net”; received MLST Best Paper Award
<https://ml4physicalsciences.github.io/2022/>

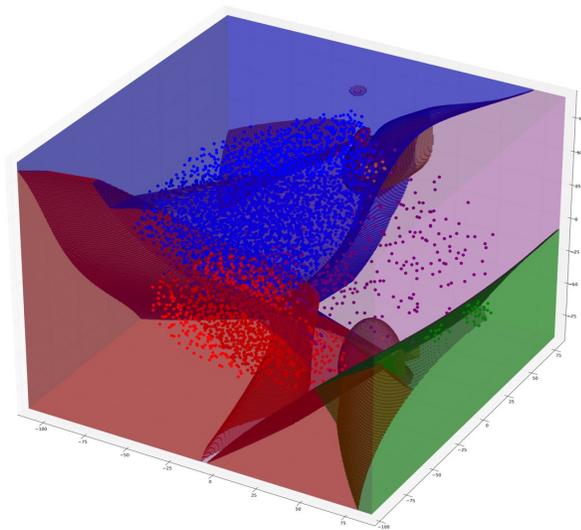


Electronics Emulation: Method Validation Studies

- Two validation studies underway by undergraduates:
 - Pure Simulation Method: model basic electronics chain in LTSpice, apply to simulated waveform dataset; test if network is able to reproduce behavior correctly
 - Dummy Detector Method: build dummy detector and readout circuit, measure response using network analyzer; use waveform generator to create dataset and test if network is able to reproduce behavior correctly
- Future validation study (2023 renewal): test using position-labeled ICPC data from novel Compton scanner

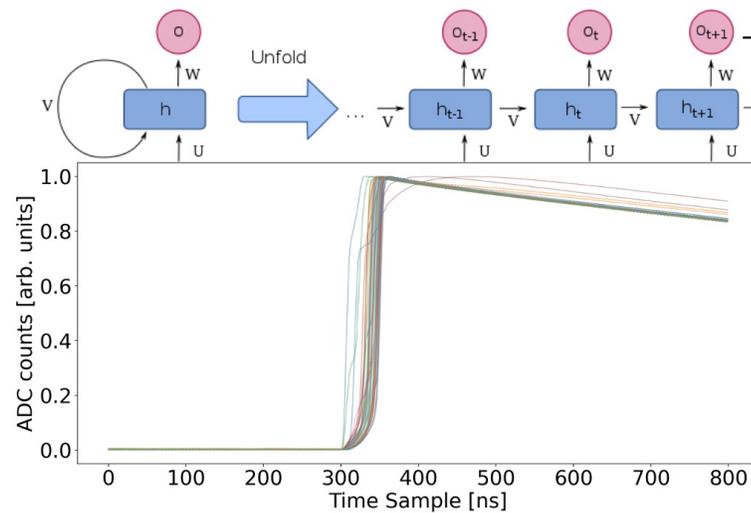


ML-Enhanced Analysis Tools

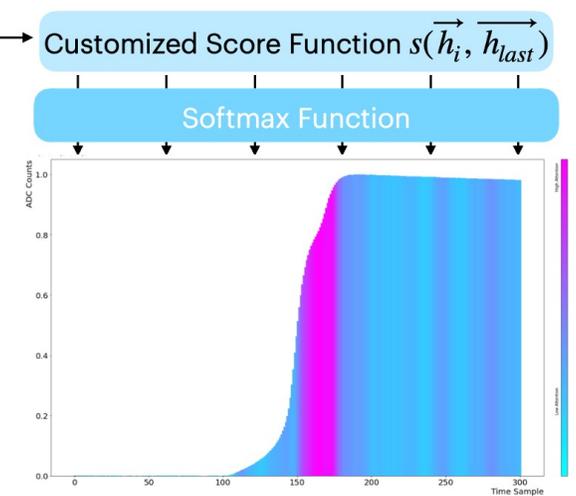


- Norm
- NegGo
- UpSlo
- SlowRise
- Bump
- NoiseTr

LSTM Network



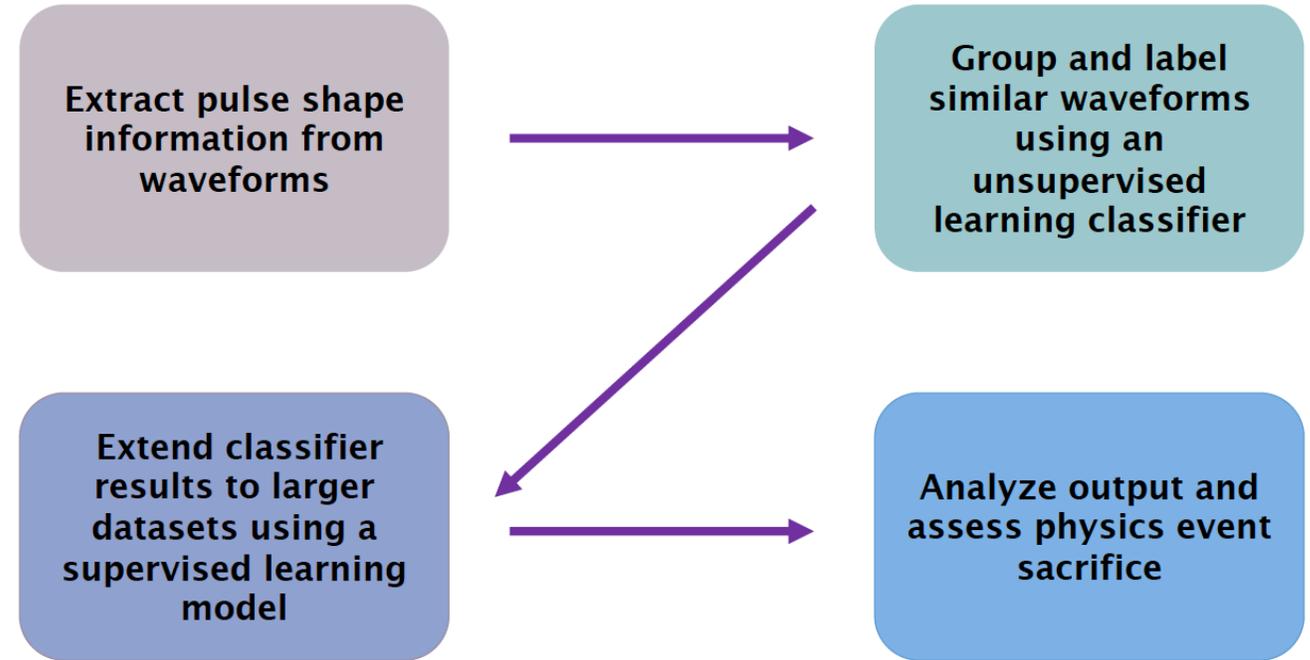
Attention Mechanism



Semi-Autonomous Data Cleaning: Motivation

Advantages over traditional data cleaning:

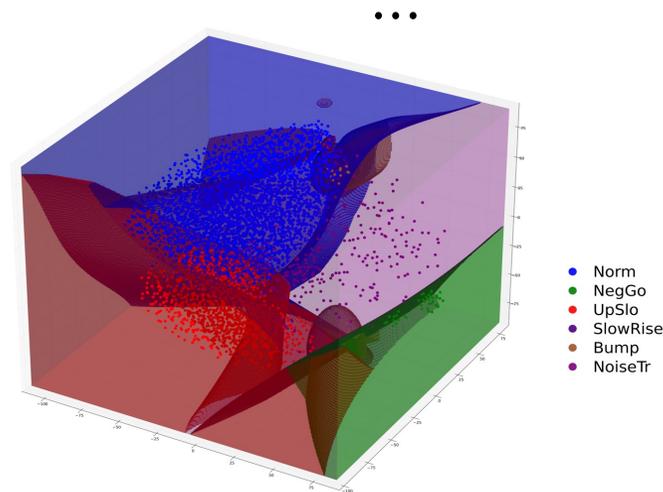
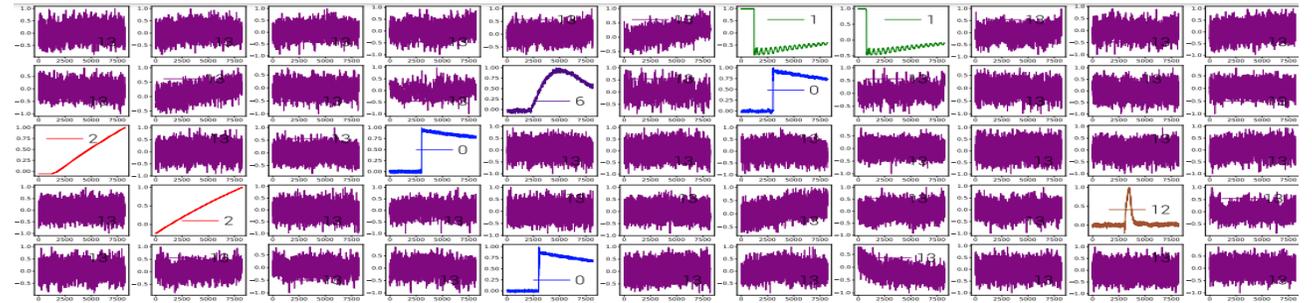
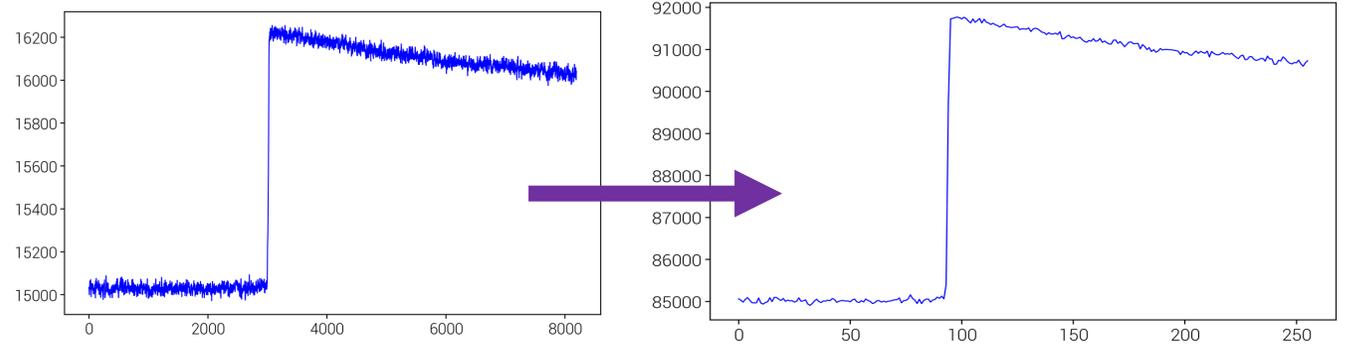
- Adapts to changing run conditions
- Allows ID of new populations during commissioning
- Flexible framework can be used for detector characterization measurements in addition to LEGEND-200
- Could improve separability by using more waveform information



Unsupervised learning = **no labels** prior to training
Supervised learning = **labels available** prior to training

Semi-Autonomous Data Cleaning: Network Design

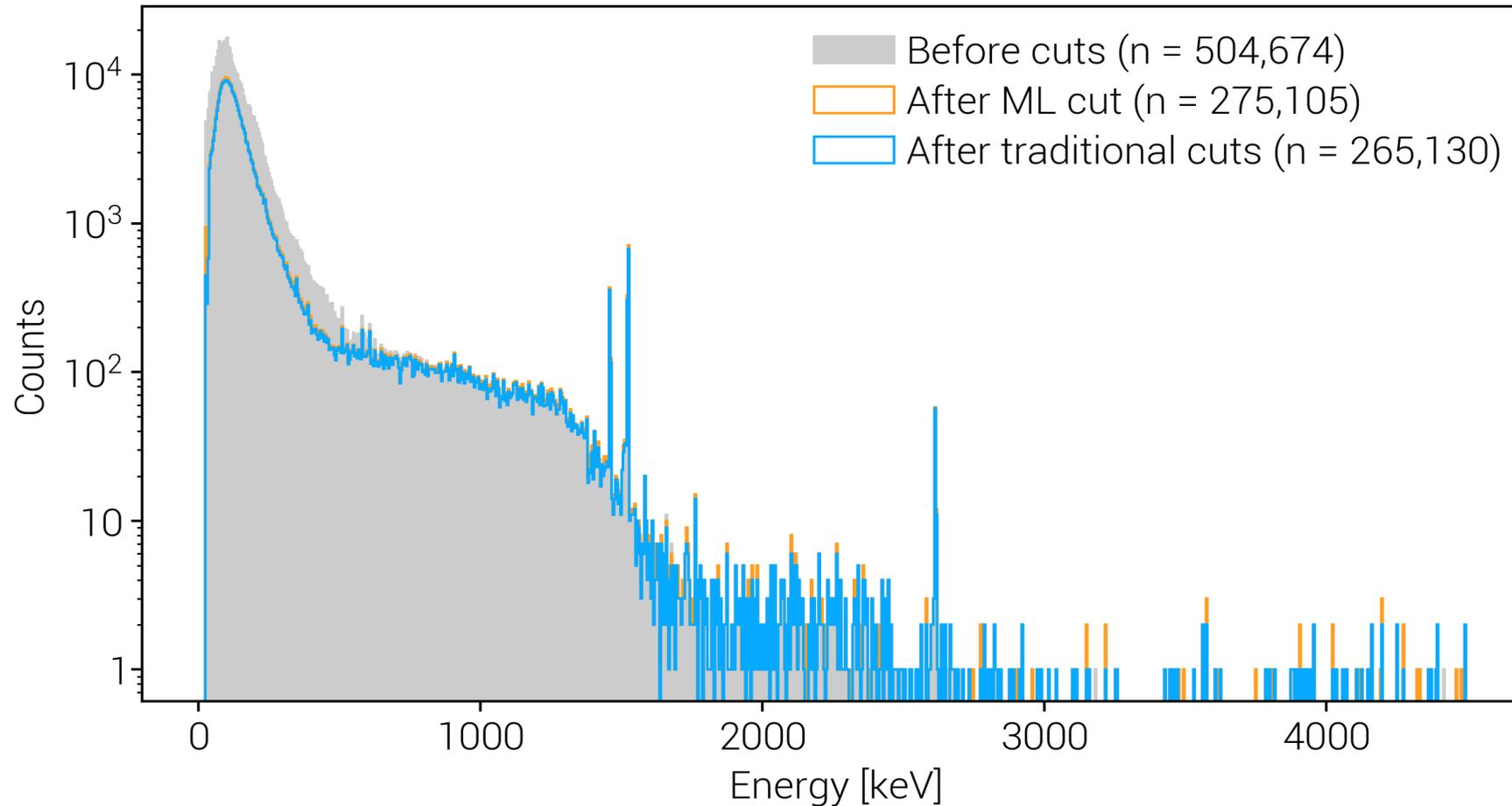
- Extract relevant pulse shape information using wavelet decomposition, normalize waveforms
- Use unsupervised Affinity Propagation to cluster training set waveforms and produce exemplars
- User studies exemplars and provides labels, used to train Support Vector Machine (SVM) that draws boundaries between categories
- All other data is labeled using SVM



SVM 3D visualizations developed by A. Bahena Schott

Comparison to Traditional Data Cleaning Cuts

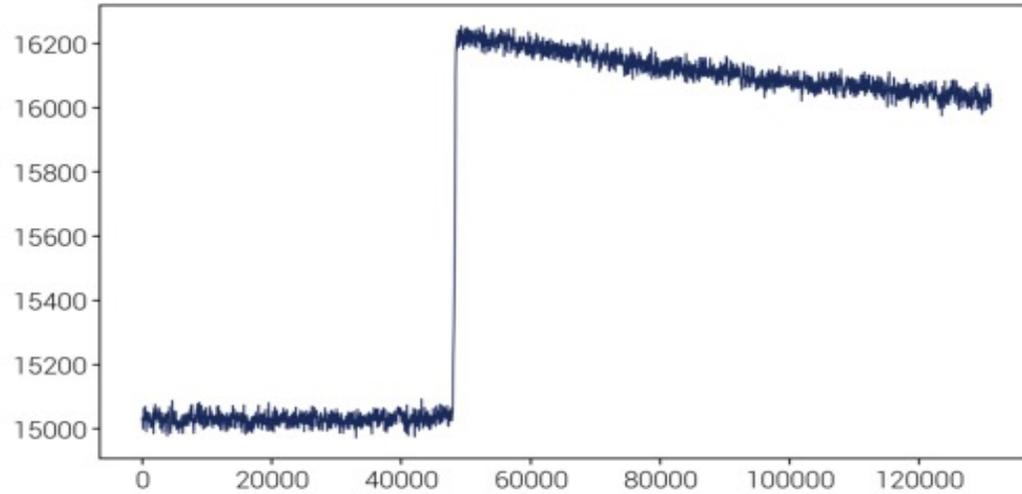
*Traditional data cleaning cuts defined for > 25 keV events \rightarrow compare using a dataset of physics data with a 25 keV threshold



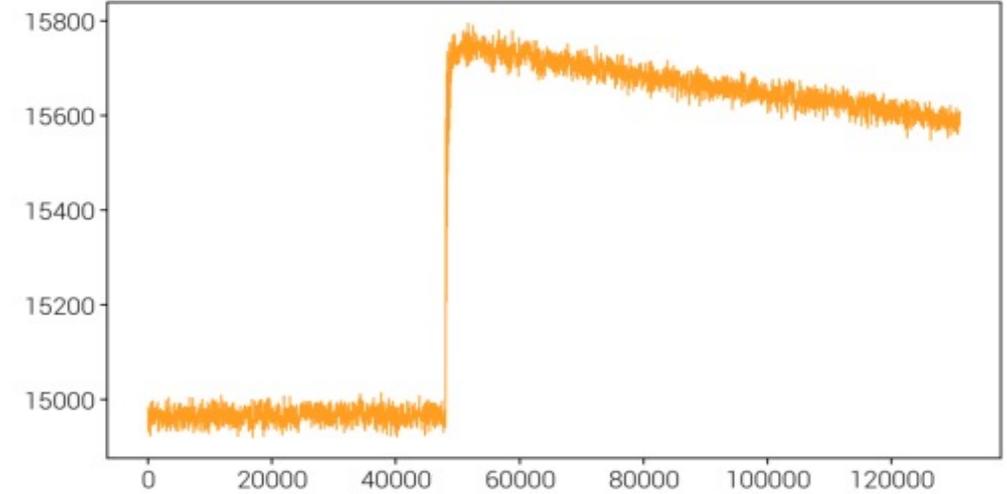
AP-SVM Cut: Keep only events tagged as **Normal (0)** or **Slow Rise (6)**

Sample Waveform Confusion Matrix

Traditional Kept

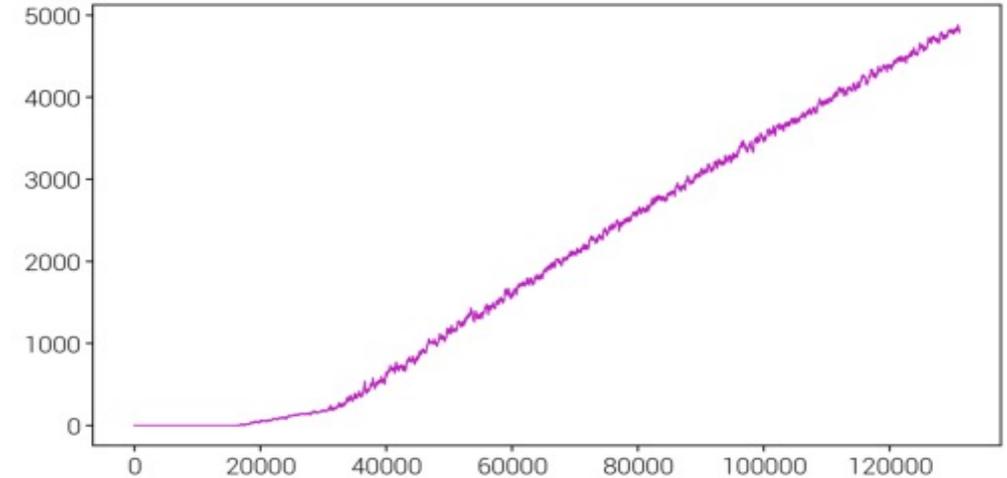
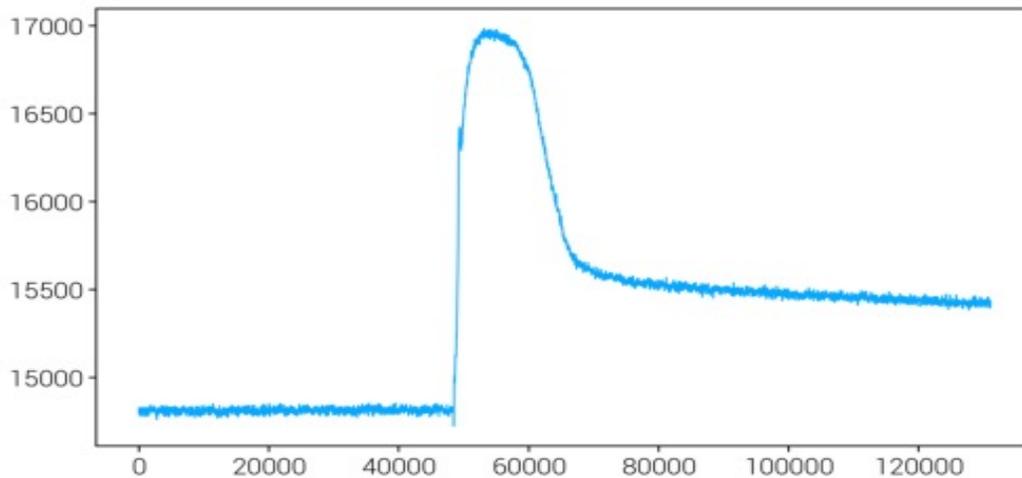


Traditional Removed



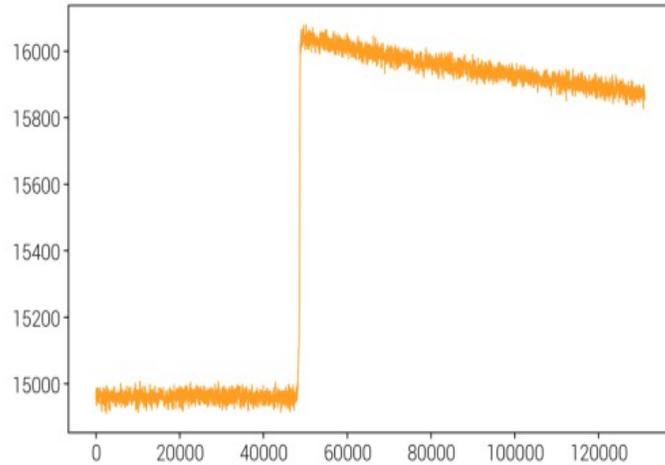
**AP-SVM
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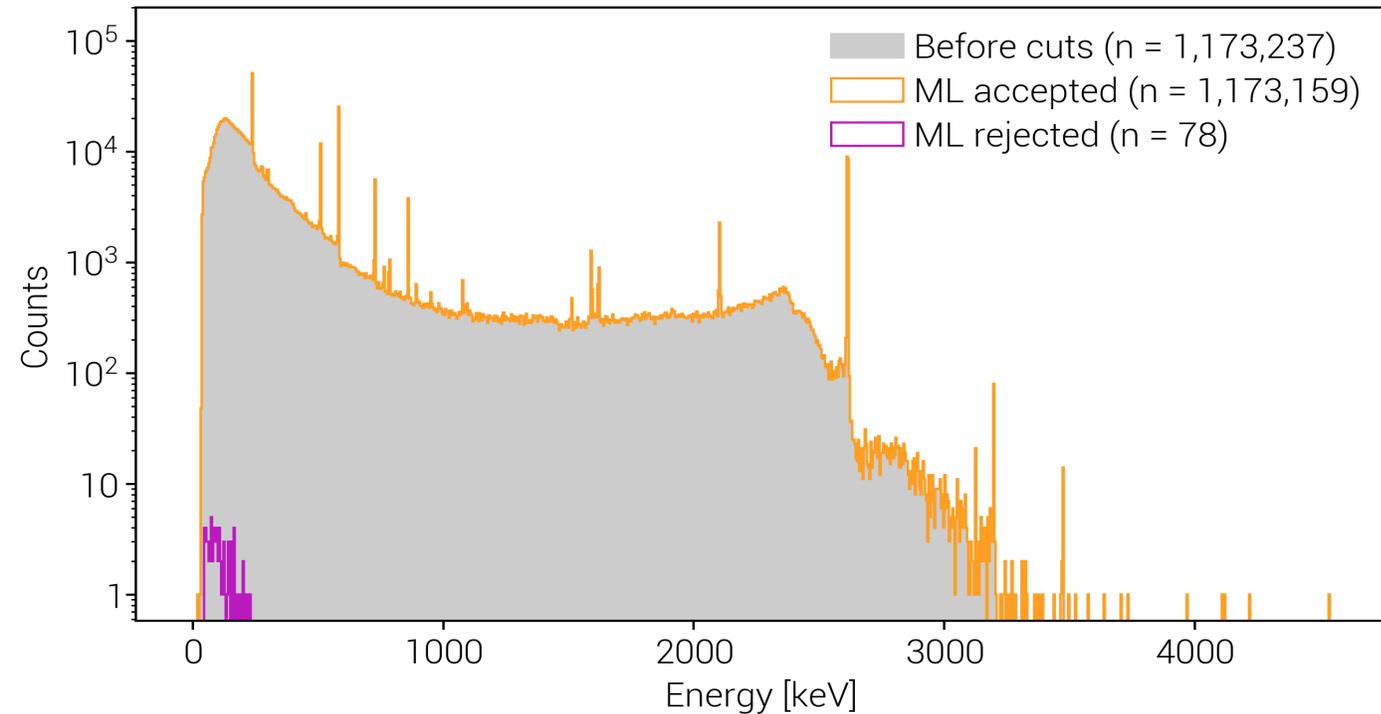
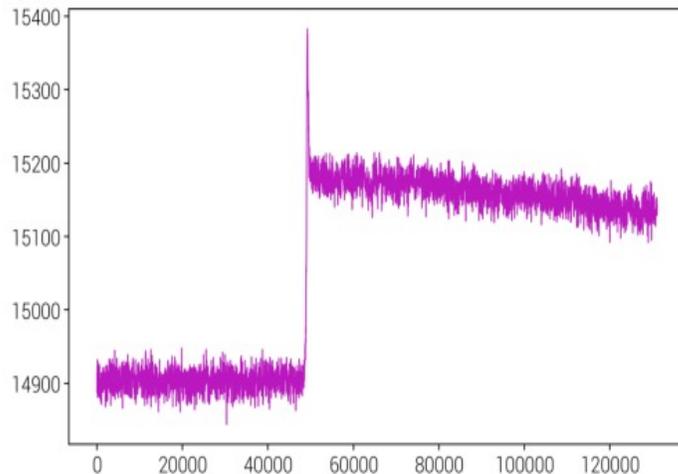


Semi-Autonomous Data Cleaning: Sacrifice Study

Events Kept:



Events Removed:



- Salting with pre-selected calibration events used to check survival efficiency: $\epsilon = 99.9934^{+0.0012}_{-0.0014}\%$
- ML-based data cleaning in use across the LEGEND Collaboration:
 - Rapid data cleaning for characterization stands
 - Used to aid development and testing of traditional data cleaning

Semi-Autonomous Data Cleaning: An Experiment-Agnostic Model

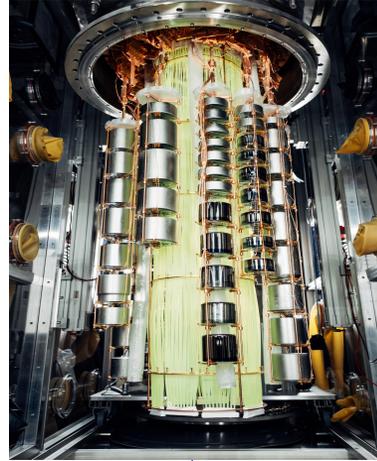
MJD Prototype Cryostat



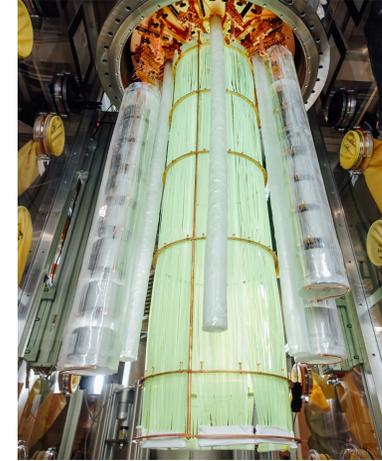
Full Chain Test



LEGEND-200



LEGEND-60



Post GERDA Test



ORNL Characterization



Publication in preparation

AP-SVM

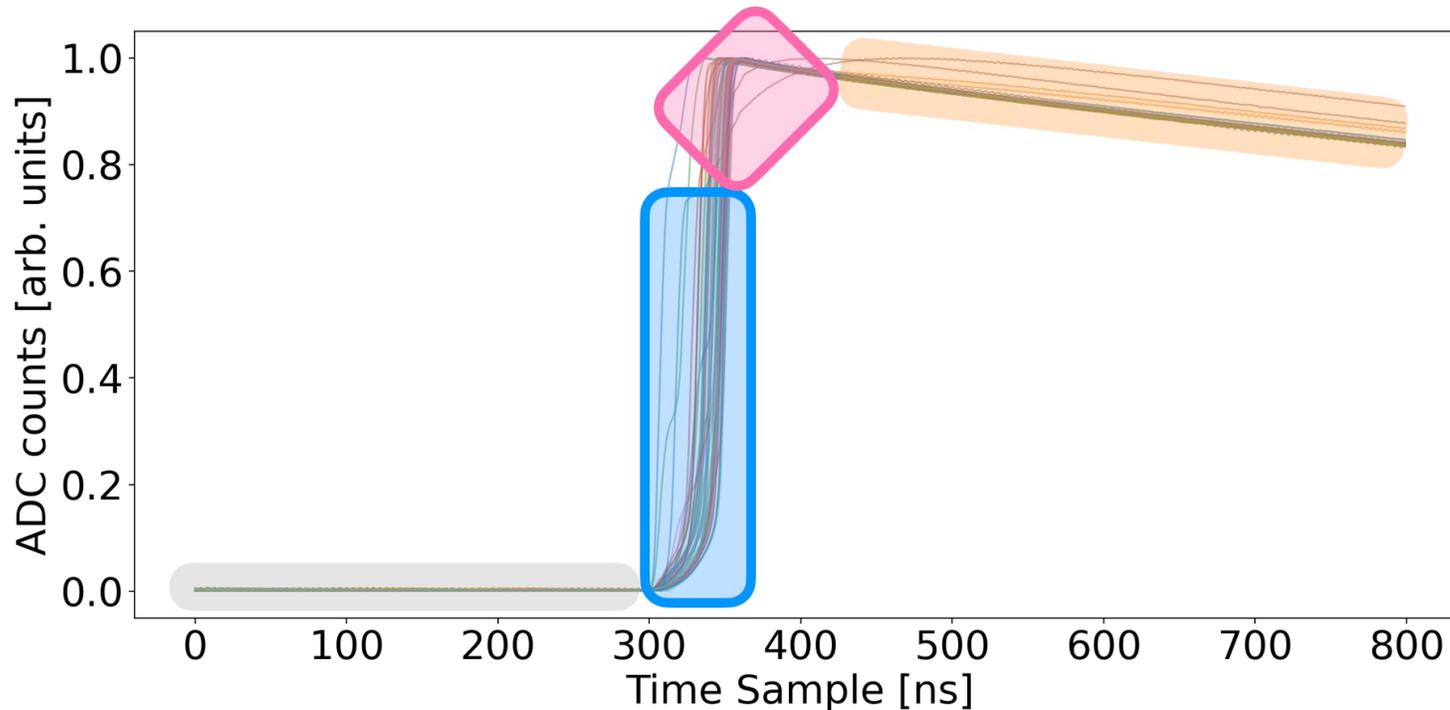
Experiments with Time-Series Data

HADES Characterization



LBM with Feature Importance Supervision: Motivation

- LEGEND Baseline Model (LBM) goal: make an interpretable multi-purpose model for waveform analysis and classification tasks



We know that...

Position reconstruction → rising edge

Surface event ID → turning corner and waveform tail

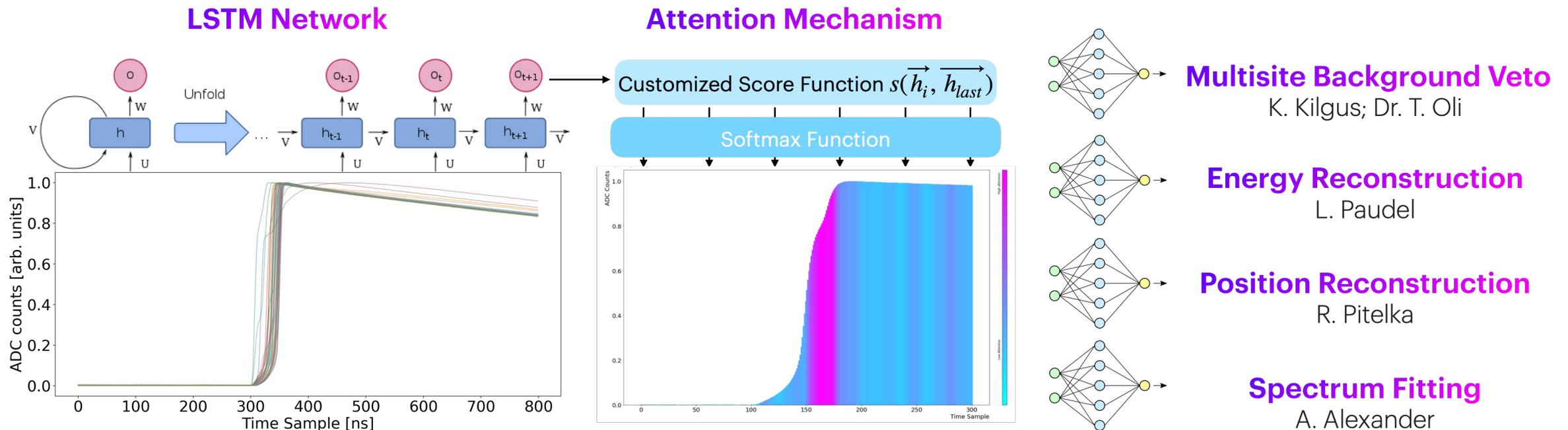
Multi-site ID → rising edge and turning corner

- Feature Importance Supervision: allow user to add physics knowledge to LBM
 - Additional loss functions tell network what information should be useful in task, encourages network to ignore irrelevant information

Project conducted by visiting PhD student K. Kilgus from University of Tübingen, supported by award from Reinhard Frank-Stiftung Foundation

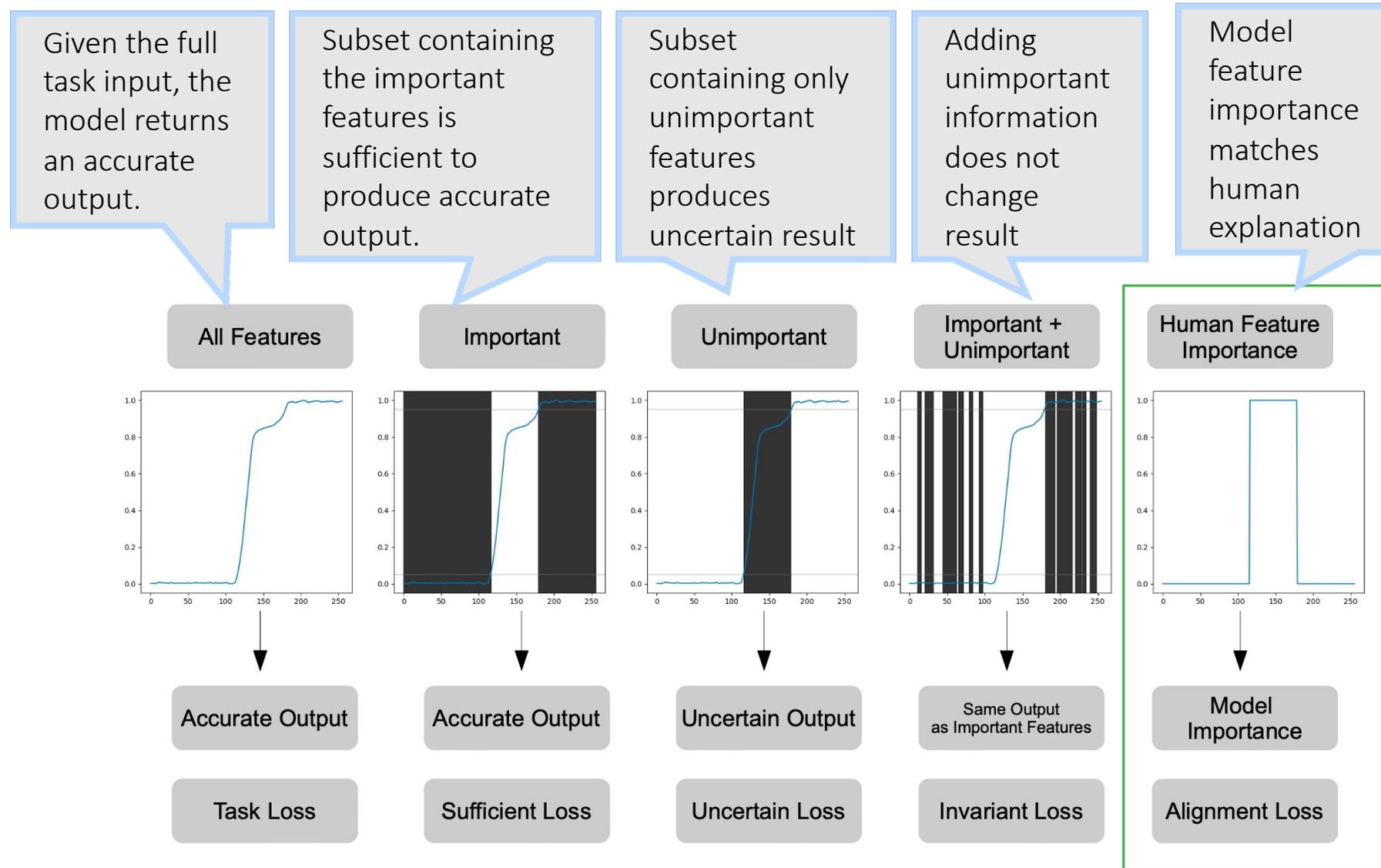
LEGEND Baseline Model: Network Design

- LEGEND Baseline Model: RNN used to process waveform data, with attention mechanism allowing network to “zoom in” on relevant information for the specific task
- Attention scores allow interpretability of results
- A danger of the LBM: waveforms are normalized, but baseline noise contains energy information. Training with signal-like and background-like peaks in spectrum can lead to bias



LBM with Feature Importance Supervision: Network Design

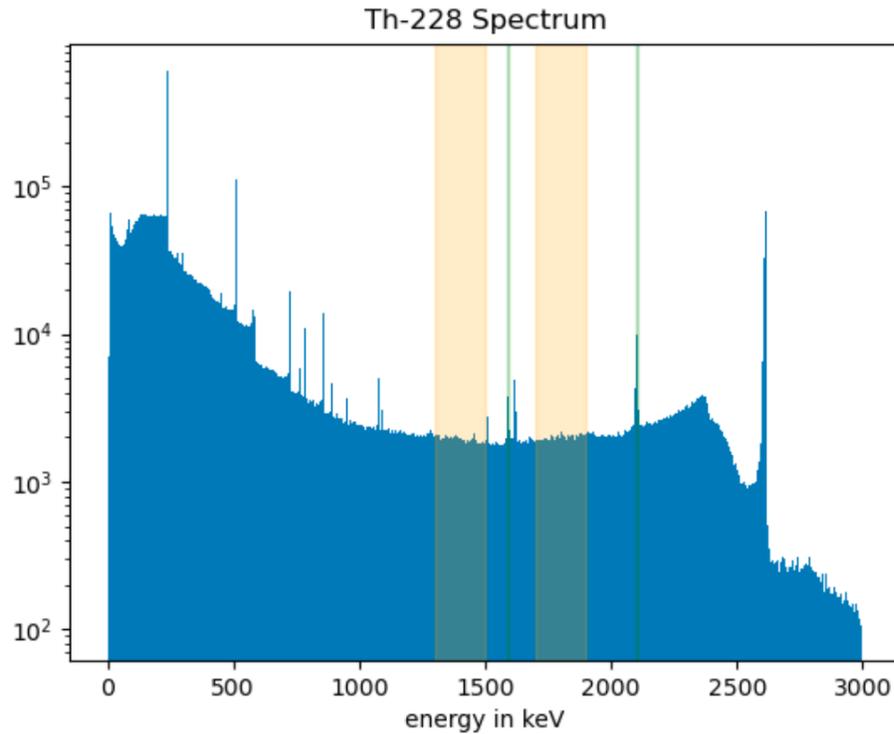
- FIS forces model to be accurate when given only important features, and appropriately uncertain/invariant given only unimportant ones
- First test: multi-site event rejection and energy dependence



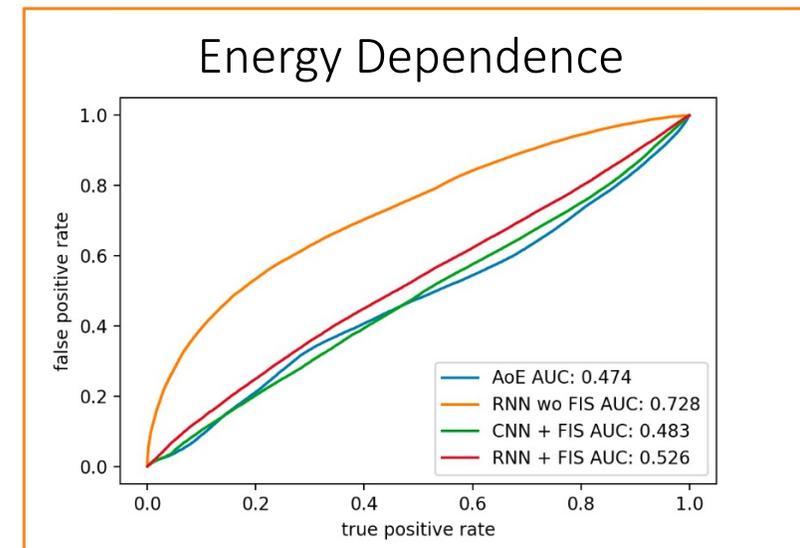
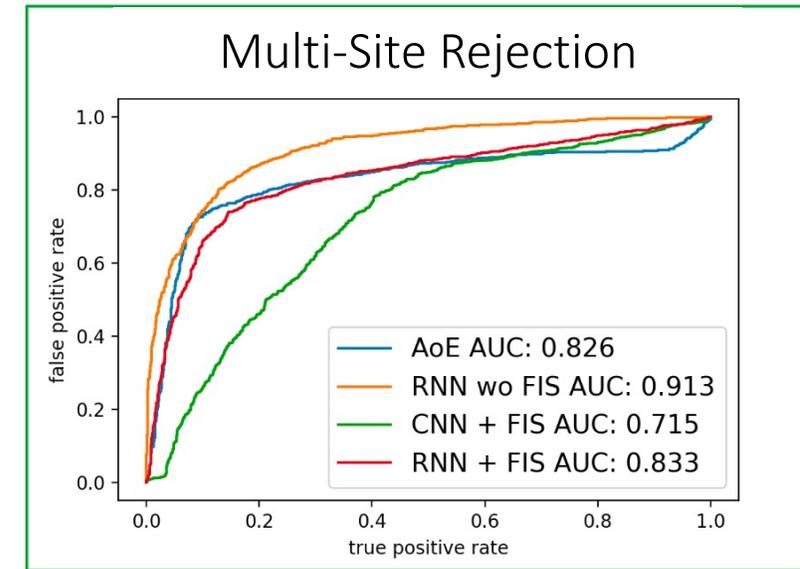
Method adapted from Z. Ying, P. Hase, and M. Bansal, NeurIPS 2022, arXiv:2206.11212

→ Add all together

LBM with Feature Importance Supervision: Results

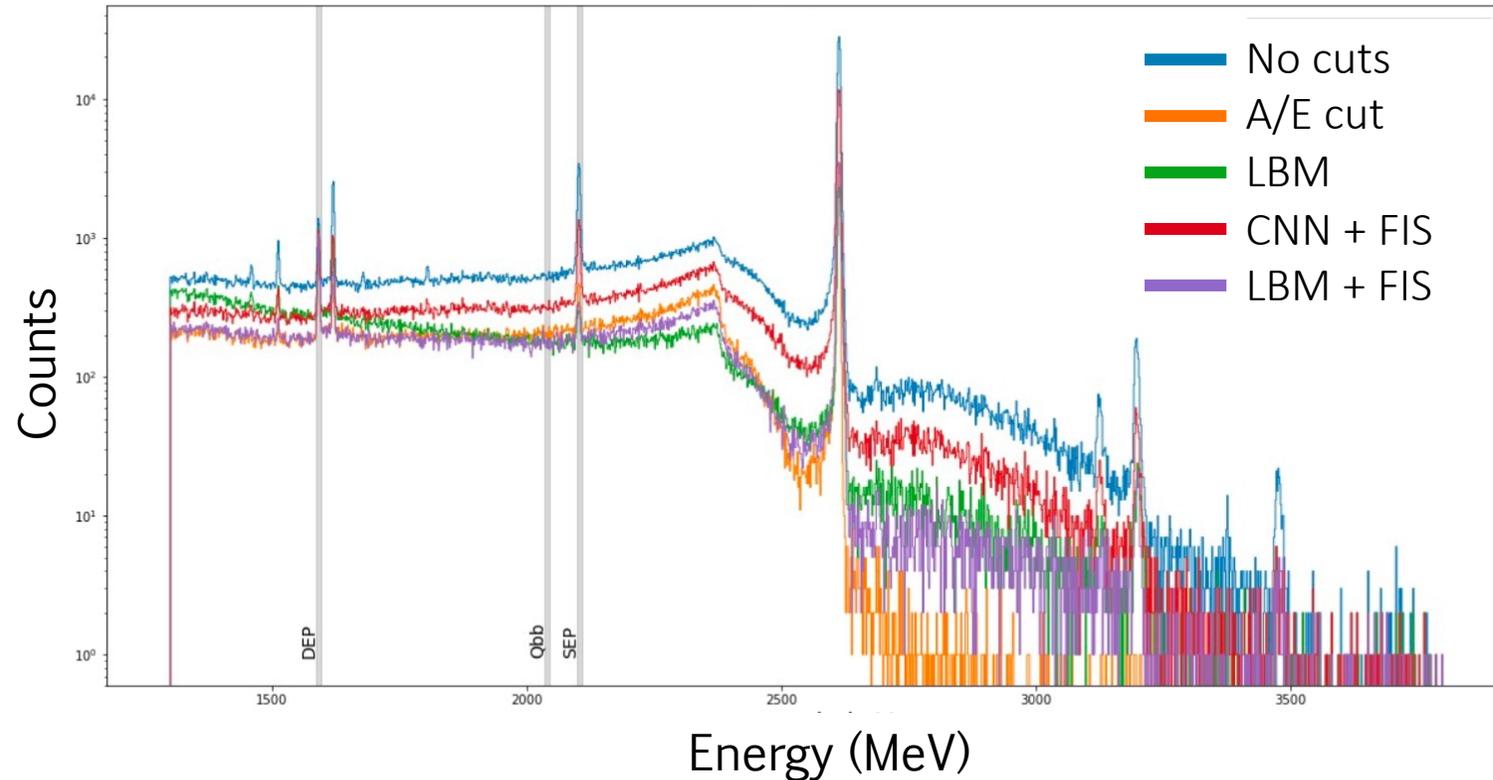


- **DEP and SEP:** test multi-site rejection
 - RNN + FIS outperforms traditional method and CNN + FIS method
- **Compton continuum:** test energy bias of classifier
 - Networks with FIS eliminate bias of LGB



LBM with Feature Importance Supervision: Results

L200 Detector Characterization Data

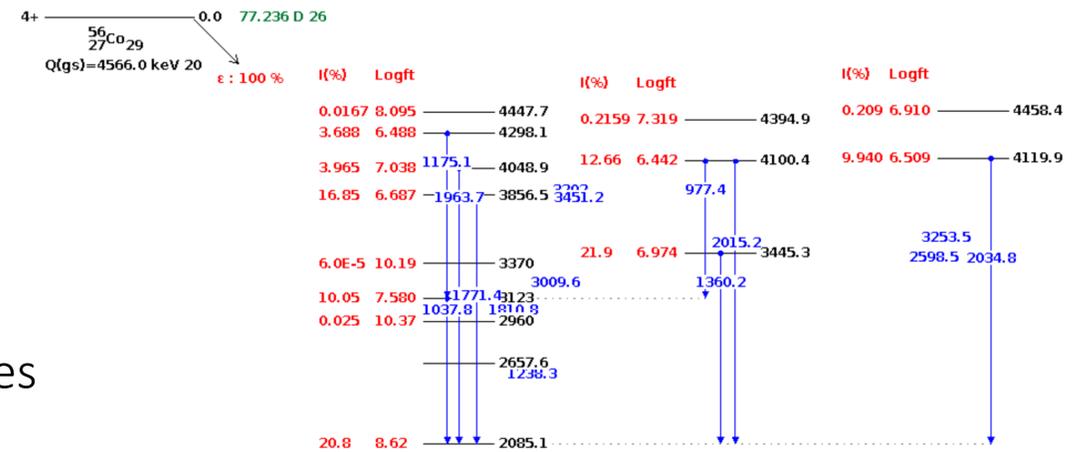


	Double Escape Peak (Signal-Like)	Single Escape Peak (Bkg-Like)	Continuum at $Q_{\beta\beta}$ (Mixed)
A/E	90% (fixed)	7%	29%
LBM	90%	5%	33%
CNN + FIS	90%	36%	60%
LBM + FIS	90%	6%	33%

- Calibration spectrum after cuts shows that energy-dependent behavior of LGB is corrected and that LGB+FIS performs similarly to traditional method
- Next steps: testing models with varying attention targets, varying applications
- Also underway: PSD tools for LEGEND coaxial detectors based on LGB+FIS

Other Projects

- Self-supervised learning on waveforms:
 - Tool has been developed and is available; for the moment, used primarily for data exploration
- Boosted Decision Tree analysis method and interpretability study:
 - Published analysis on full MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR dataset $0\nu\beta\beta$ search: PRL 107, 014321 (2023)
 - H. Nachman's senior thesis was a study of applying this method to LEGEND-200 rapid detector characterization; method is ready for final L-200 detector characterization campaign in Spring 2024
- MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR data release:
 - Tagged single-site and multi-site calibration waveform data released for AI/ML tool development, information available on arXiv: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.10856>
- Co-56 training/validation data set:
 - LBM-FIS study shows that energy bias from limited training samples using Th-228 peaks can be significant, so we're prioritizing rapid deployment of Co-56 in LEGEND-200 and UNC LAr test stand
 - PhD student G. Duran is conducting simulation studies of needed source strength in UNC LAr test stand, source deployment expected in January 2024



Pair-Production Decays of Co-56

Deliverables and Schedule

Year	2022				2023				2024	Personnel
Quarter	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	
Dates	11/30/21 - 1/1/22	1/1/22-4/1/22	4/1/22 - 7/1/22	7/1/22 - 10/1/22	10/1/22 - 1/1/23	1/1/23 - 4/1/23	4/1/23 - 7/1/23	7/1/23 - 10/1/23	10/1/23 - 11/30/23	
Task 1a: BDT for MJD	Complete BDT framework	Write internal technical document	Complete internal technical review	Submit and publish paper						Aobo Li
Task 1b: BDT for LEGEND			Begin BDT analysis of L-200 commissioning data	Present early results internally	Present results at APS DNP Meeting , Complete internal technical document	Complete internal technical review , Incorporate into analysis chain.	Publish first LEGEND-200 results, including BDT analysis			Henry Nachman, Aobo Li
Task 2: Data Cleaning	Begin testing framework		Complete analysis framework	Present early results, Incorporate into framework	Write technical paper	Publish technical paper				Esteban Leon
Task 3: Electronics Emulation			Begin framework	Write and publish technical paper		Publish physics paper using test data	Implement for analysis and pulse shape simulations	Provide recommendations for LEGEND-1000	Publish LEGEND-200 background model, incorporating emulation	Aobo Li, Kevin Bhimani, Julieta Gruszko
Task 4: High-Powered Computer					Order components	Receive components	Complete assembly and setup.			Aobo Li, Julieta Gruszko, E. Leon
Task 5: Semi-/Self-Supervised Learning		Build network structure					Begin tests of SSL on pulse shape simulations	Integrate data-driven and simulations-based networks.		Esteban Leon, Aobo Li, Julieta Gruszko

Budget

	FY21 (\$k)	FY22 (\$k)	Totals (\$k)
Funds allocated	226	224	450
Actual costs to date	215	211	13

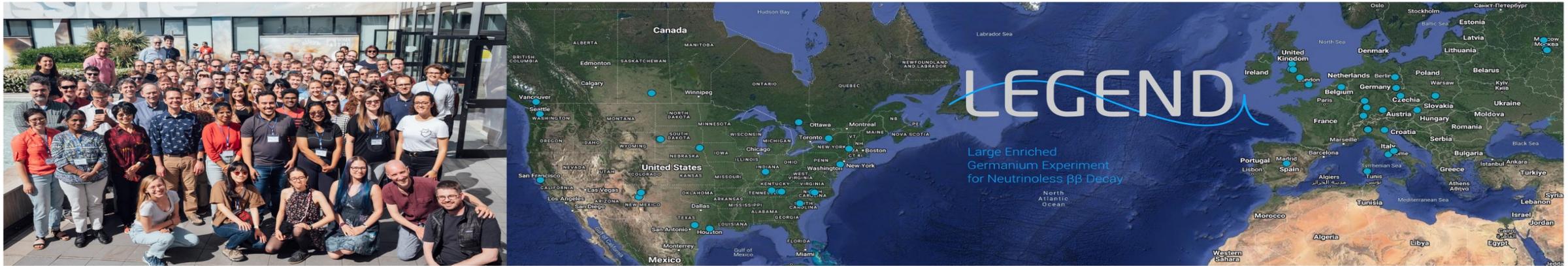
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LEGEND Collaboration

Mission: The collaboration aims to develop a phased, Ge-76 based double-beta decay experimental program with discovery potential at a half-life beyond 10^{28} years, using existing resources as appropriate to expedite physics results.



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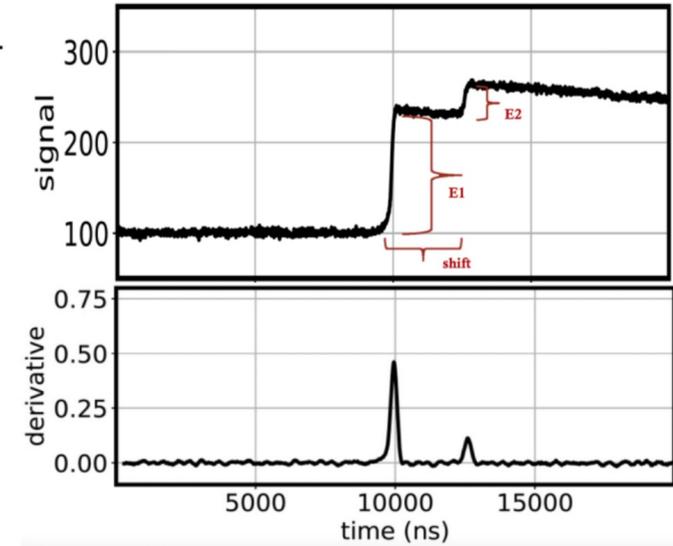
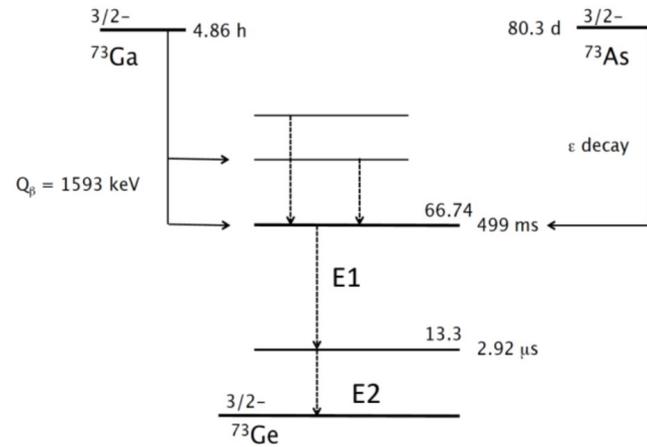
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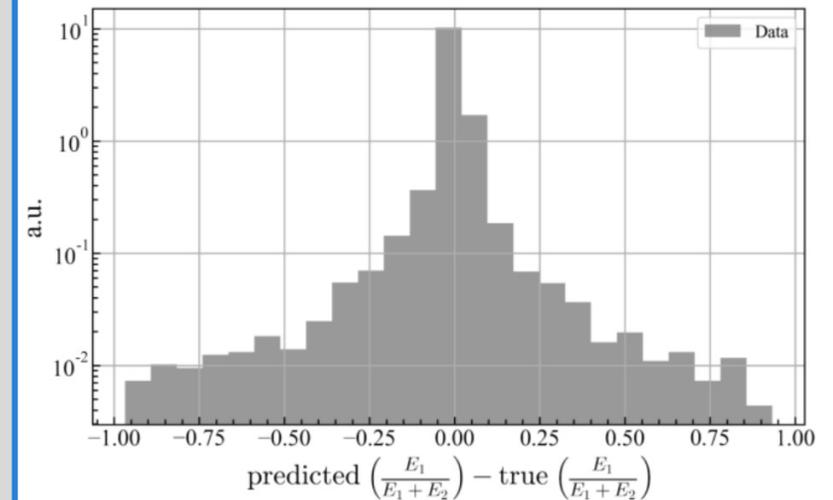
Extra Slides

Pulse Shape Analysis with Recurrent Neural Networks (L. Paudel): A Preview

- Using the full MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR dataset, search for isomeric gamma transitions to study rare cosmogenic decays; use ML to extract decay energies and timing
- Also study whether traditional multi-site rejection can be improved with ML
- RNN used to process waveform data, with attention mechanism allowing network to “zoom in” on relevant information for the specific task
- Showing good results in both classification and pile-up parameter extraction



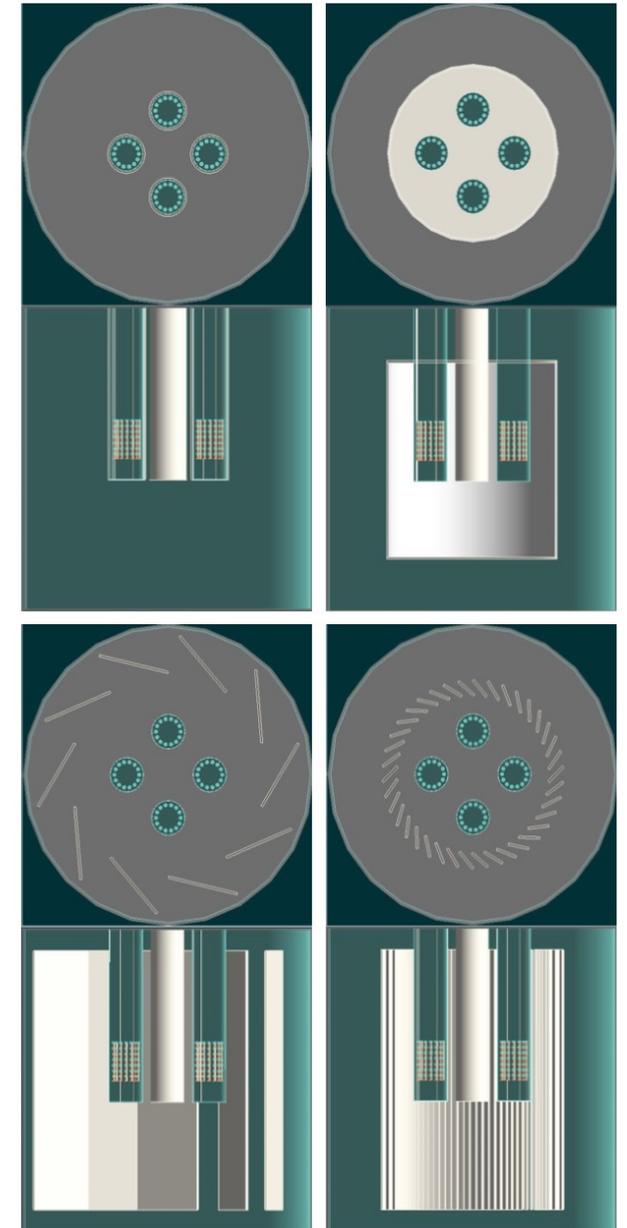
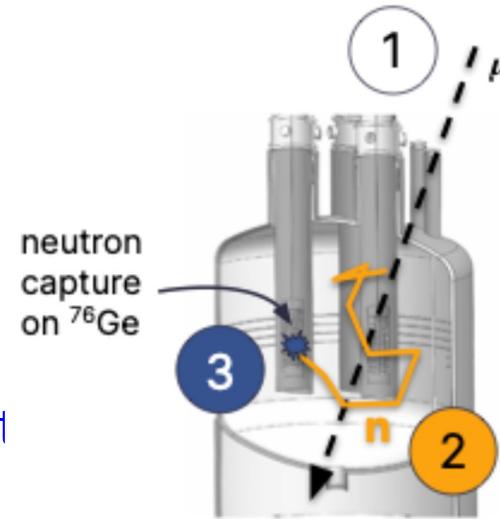
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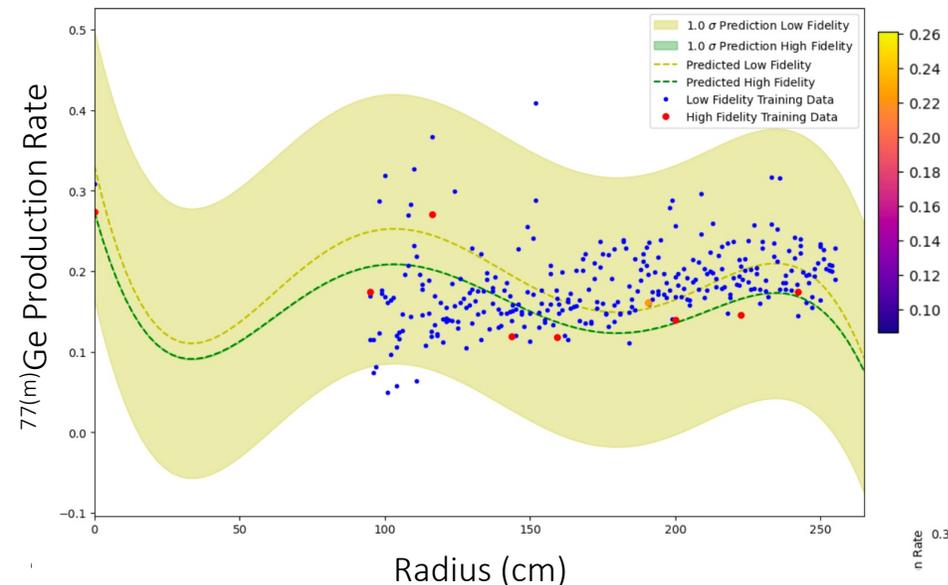
Network is able to correctly extract energy ratio of pile-up pulses

L1000 Design Optimization (A. Schuetz): A Preview

- L1000 has a potential cosmogenic background from neutron activation of ^{76}Ge
- Simulations of this background are complex and make it computationally expensive to study potential neutron moderator configurations
- Instead, train emulator using a combination of fast low-fidelity simulations with slow high-fidelity simulations, using active learning



Linear Multi-Fidelity Model Fit



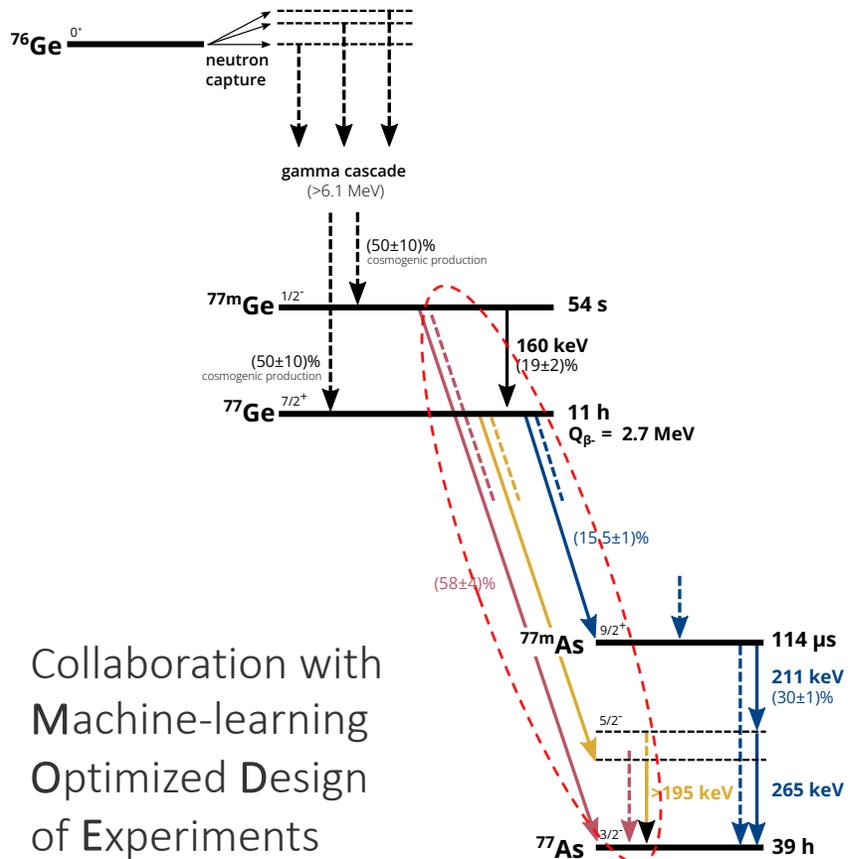
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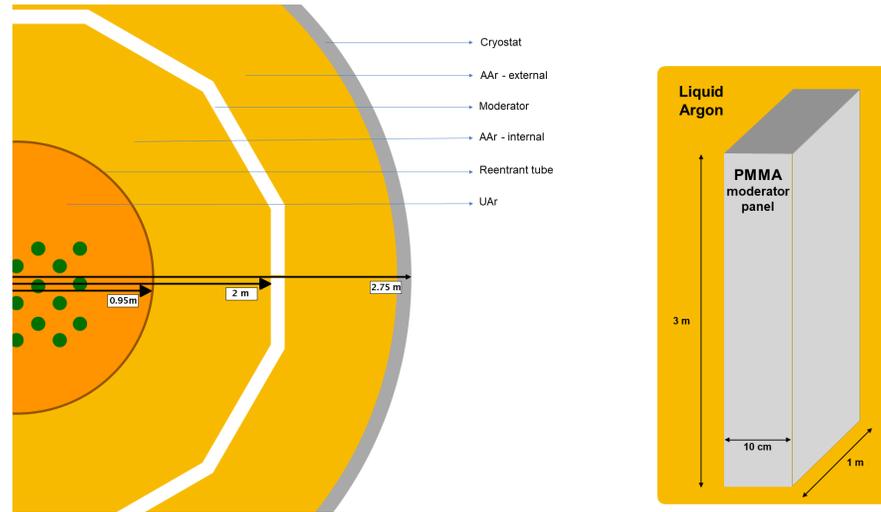
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L1000 Design Optimization: Motivation

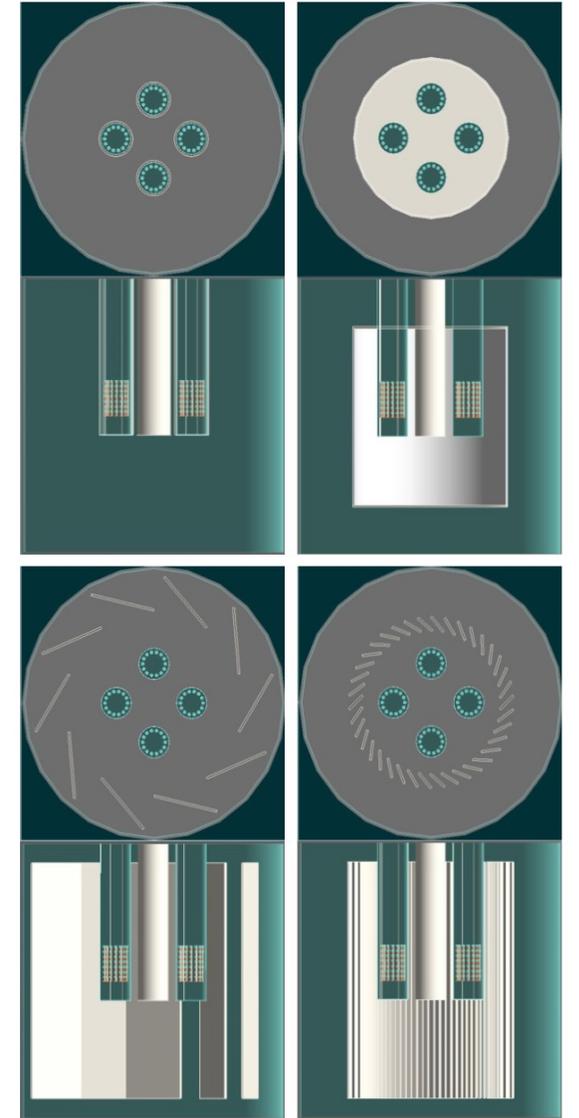
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Collaboration with
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Optimized Design
of Experiments
(MODE Collaboration)



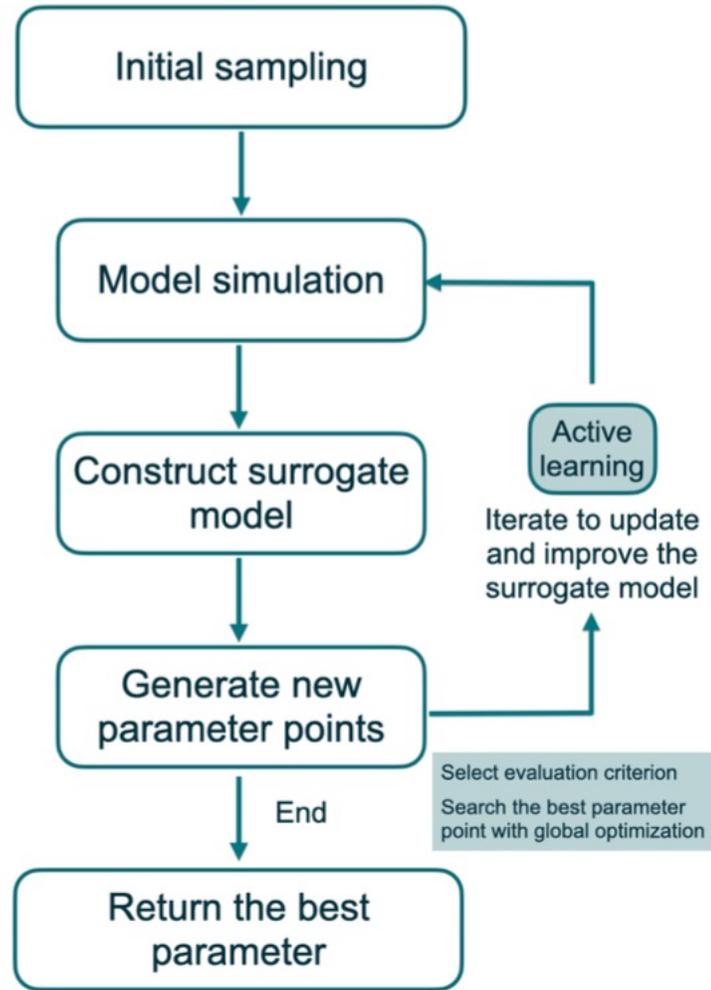
- Moderating neutrons increases probability of neutron capture in Ar active shield instead of Ge
- What is the optimal design for the neutron moderator panels?
 - Simulations are computationally expensive, with many free parameters
 - Instead, train an emulator to choose which combinations to simulate



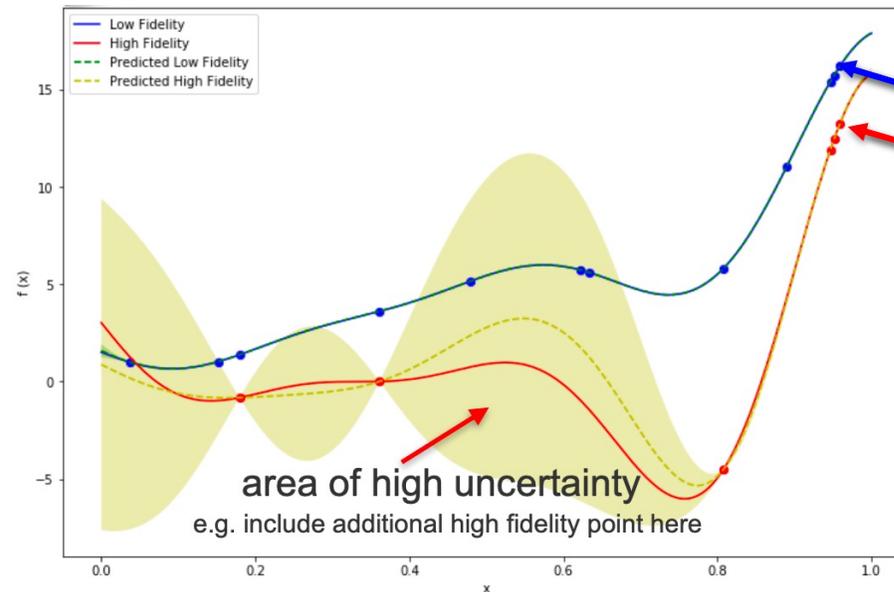
L1000 Design Optimization: Network Design

Design 1: [Mod. Thickness, ...] → Emulator → ^{77}Ge Reduction efficiency

Design 2: [Mod. Thickness, ...] → Emulator → ^{77}Ge Reduction efficiency



Bayesian Model with Multi-Fidelity



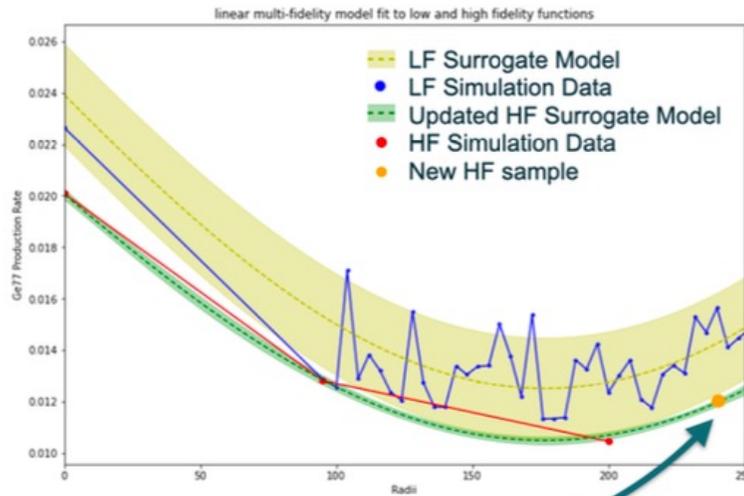
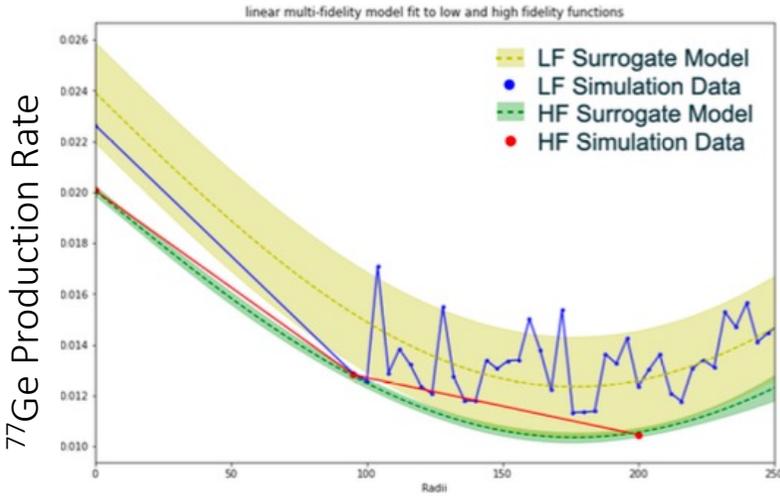
- Combine fast low-fidelity simulations with slow high-fidelity simulations

simulation with 25k primary neutrons (~ 0.08 CPUh)

simulation with 10^7 primary muons (cosmic muon showers) (~ 200 CPUh)

- Gaussian process used for surrogate model

L1000 Design Optimization: Active Learning



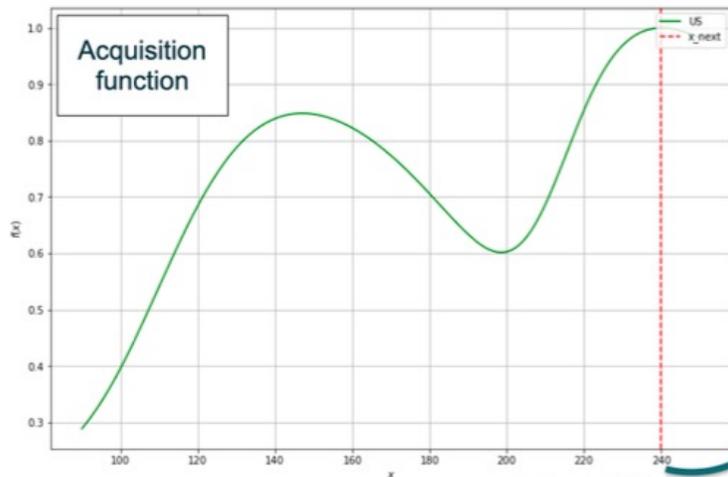
Repeat until stopping criteria is met

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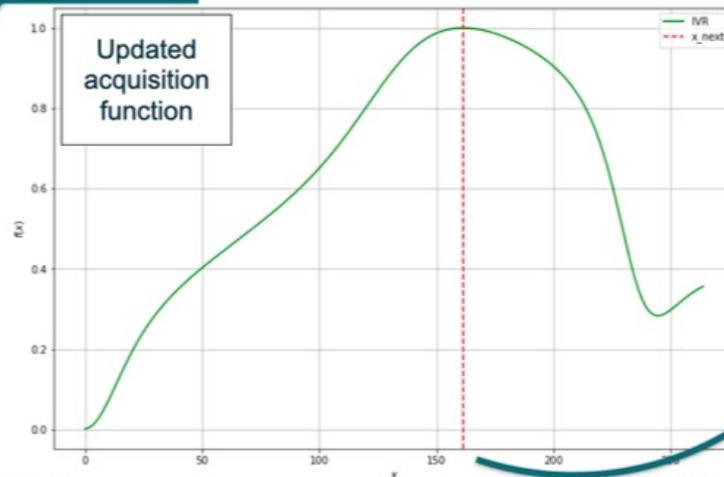
Gradient-based optimizer over acquisition function used to find the next point to simulate

1rd New sample

2nd New sample



run new HF simulation with r=240cm



run new HF simulation with r=161cm

Results coming soon...

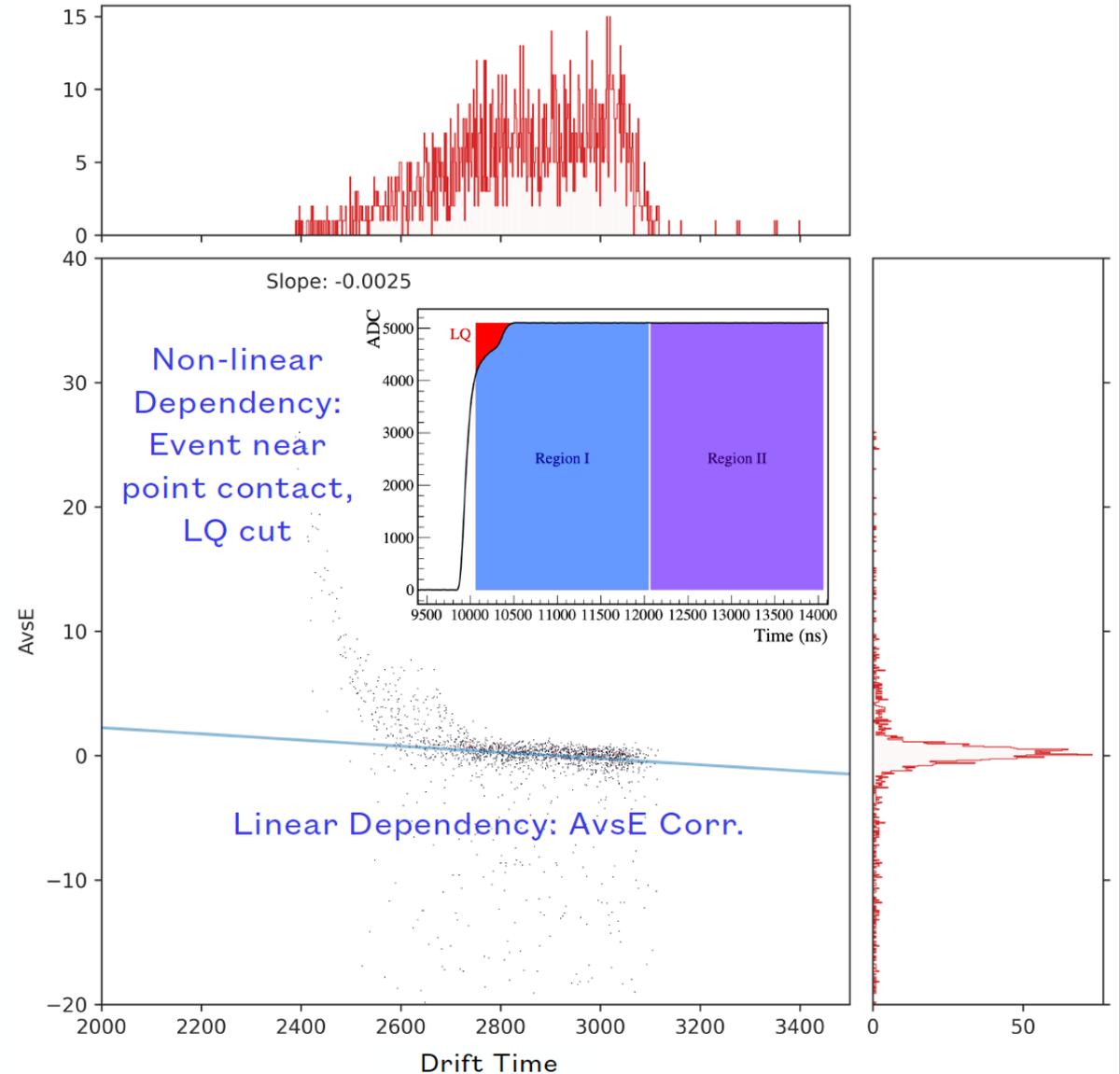
Interpretable BDT: Motivation

Due to charge trapping and charge cloud diffusion in the detector bulk, traditional analysis parameters are often highly correlated: standard analysis fits the largest linear bi-variate correlations detector-by-detector and corrects for them

BDT method developed to...

- Utilize all the correlations to improve background reduction
- Reduce the need for additional targeted cuts like LQ
- Develop method for future experiments and rapid characterization
 - Reduce need for detector-by-detector calibration
 - Reduce need for run-by-run calibration
 - Address increased correlations in larger-mass detectors
- Leverage interpretability to learn from the machine

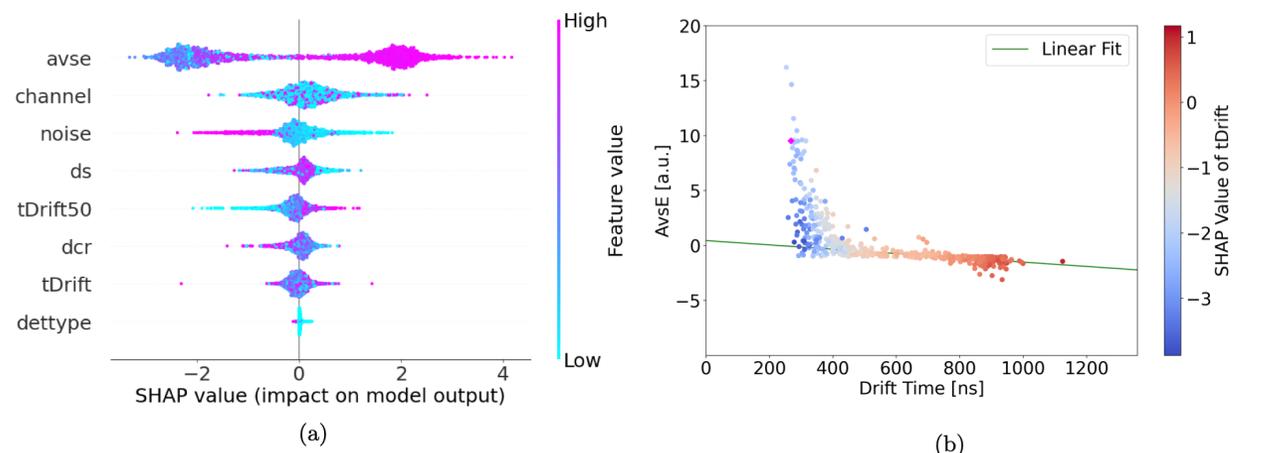
Applied to full data set from the MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR



Interpretable BDT: Network Design

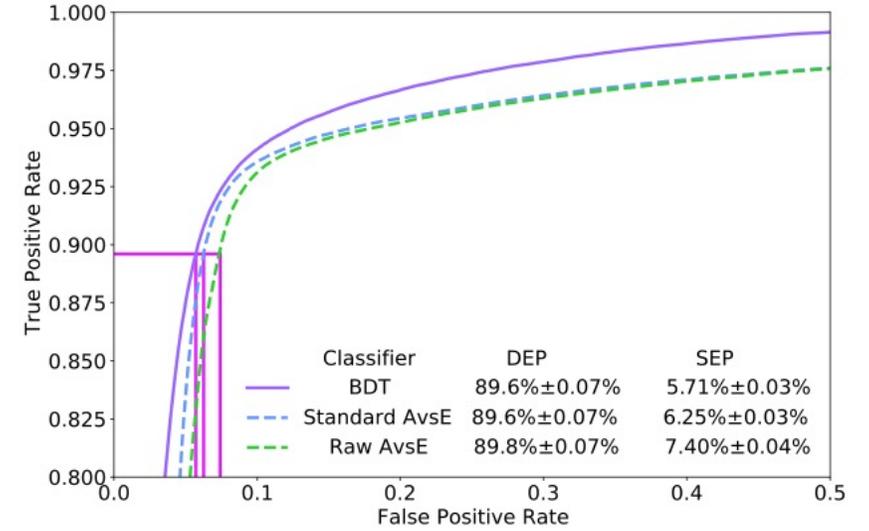
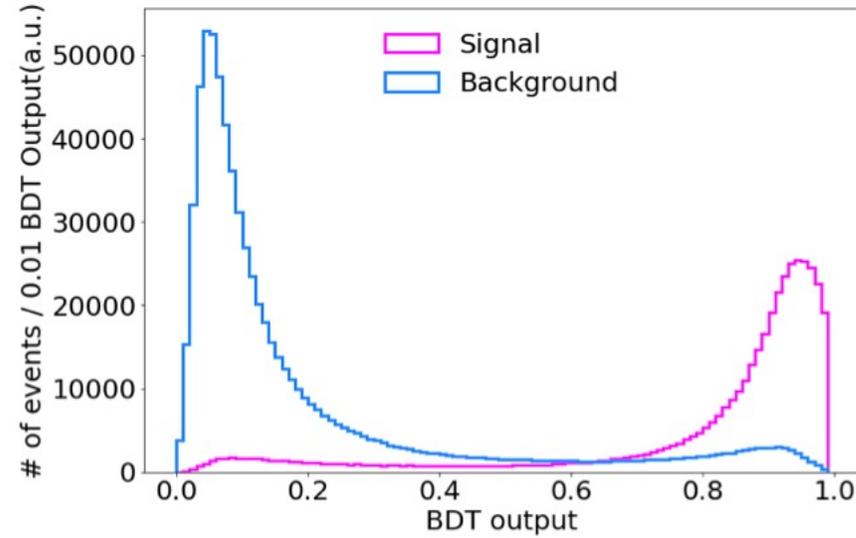


- Boosted Decision Tree using traditional pulse shape analysis parameters, implemented in LightGBM
- Two networks, using different training data sets:
 - MSBDT tags multi-site events, trained with ^{228}Th calibration data
 - α BDT tags surface events, trained with background events from $0\nu\beta\beta$ runs; uses SMOTE-MC to augment data and create larger sample of training events
- Distribution matching performed for “non-primary” features
- Shapley value used to interpret network results and improve traditional analysis

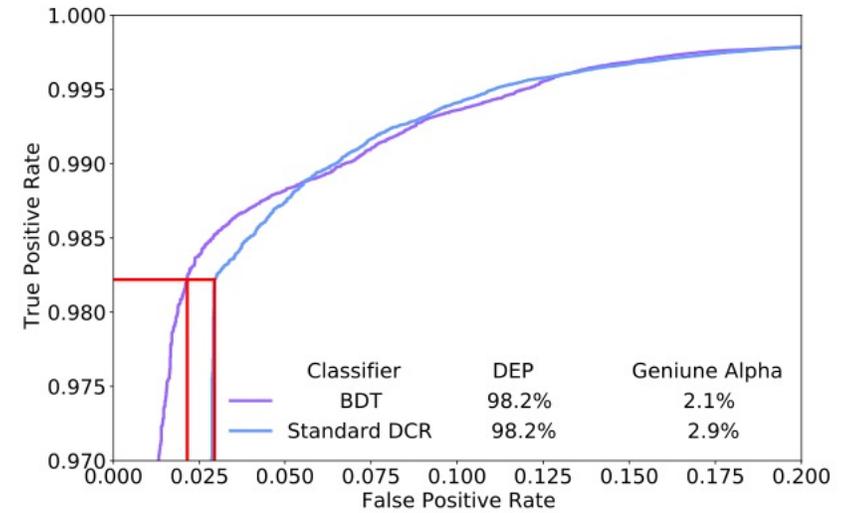
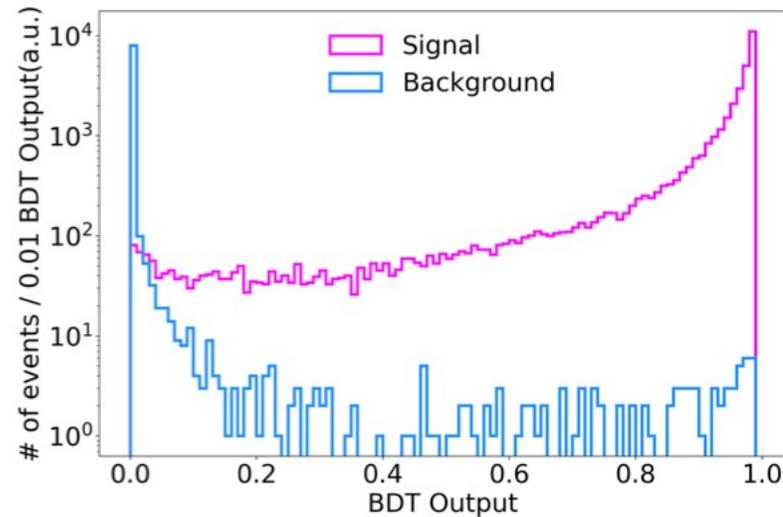


Interpretable BDT: Results

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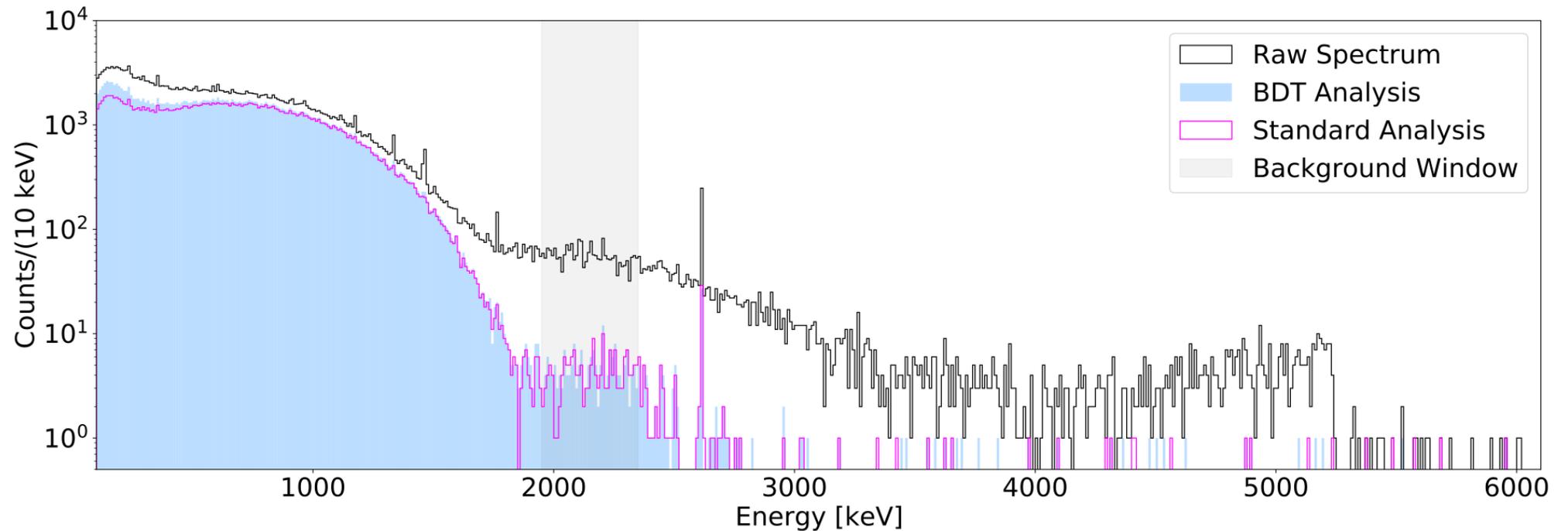


α BDT:



Interpretable BDT: Results

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- Difference driven by late addition of new analysis parameter, which was not included in BDT
- Comparable result with far fewer person-hours! No detector-by-detector or run-by-run secondary calibration needed.
- Interpretability study shows that BDT has “discovered” known correlations between parameters
- Feeds back to improve traditional analysis: choose between similar parameters based on importance and implement new PSD based where BDT-outperforms
- Now being applied to LEGEND characterization data and exploring the use of lower-level parameters