

ResNet Particle Identification in Water Cherenkov Detectors

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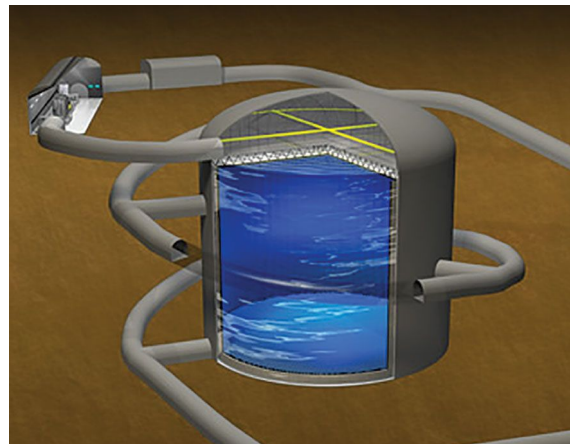
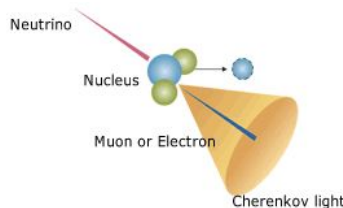
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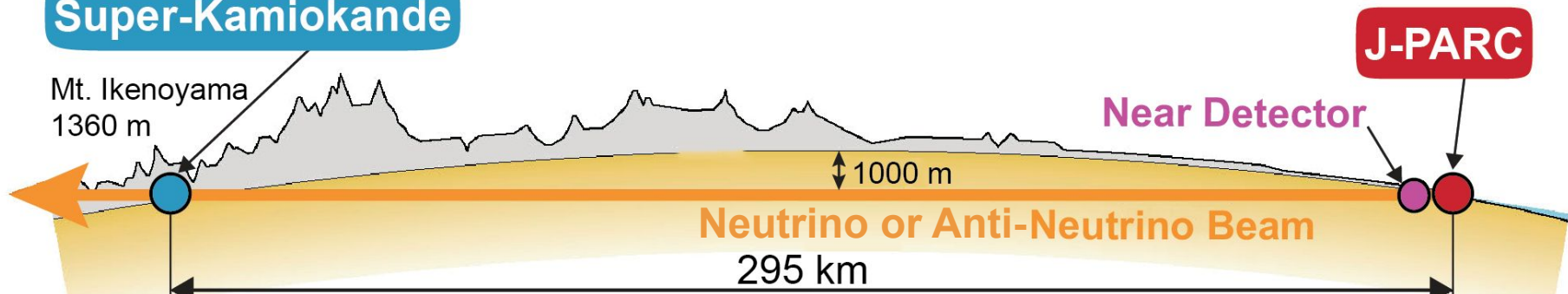
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Hyper-K and Water Cherenkov Detectors

- Water Cherenkov Detector
 - Detect neutrino interactions from Cherenkov light produced by resulting charged particles in a medium
- Hyper-Kamiokande (Hyper-K)
 - Next generation successor to Super-K
 - Several ambitious physics goals
 - Also T2K

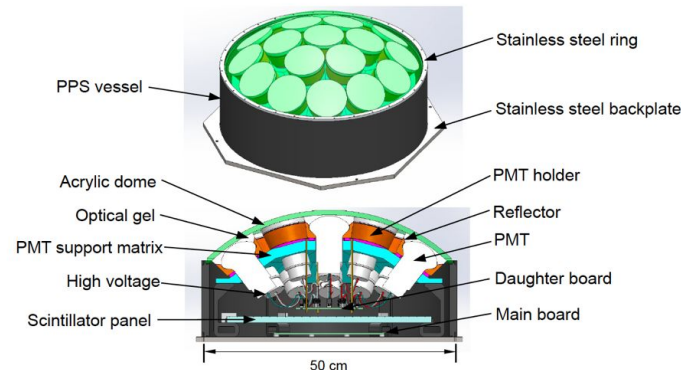
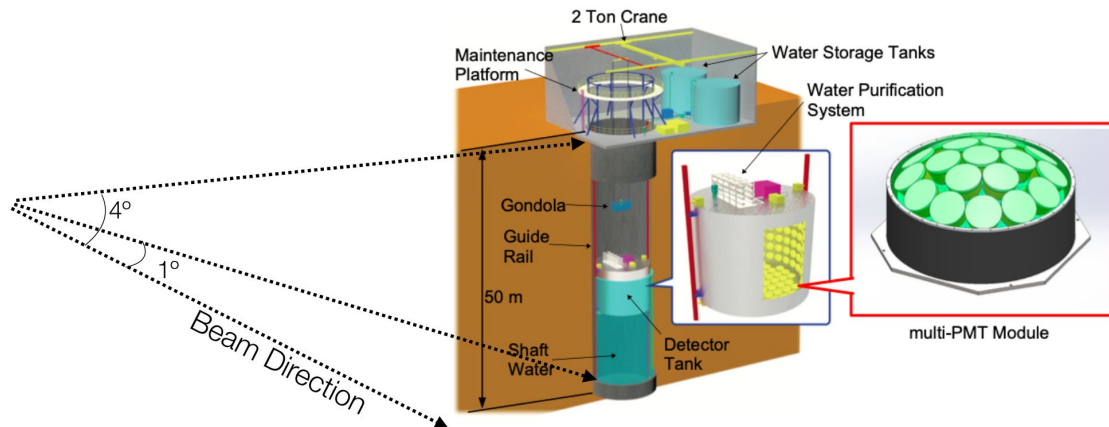


Super-Kamiokande



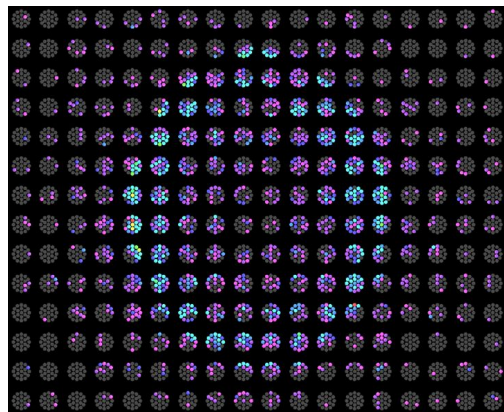
IWCD and mPMTs

- Intermediate Water Cherenkov Detector (IWCD)
 - Located near (~1 km from) beam source
 - Characterize beam to control systematics
- Constructed using multi photomultiplier tubes (mPMTs)
 - Offers increased granularity and timing resolution

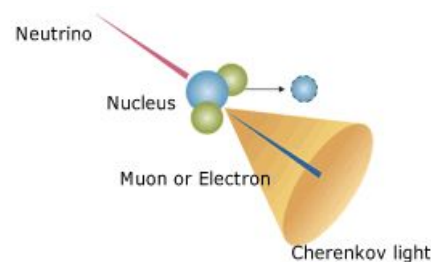


Event Reconstruction

- Inferring event parameters from Cherenkov detector data
 - Given charge and time data from PMT hits
 - Would like to reconstruct momentum/energy, particle type
- Regression and classification
 - Recover continuous parameters
 - Predict discrete classes

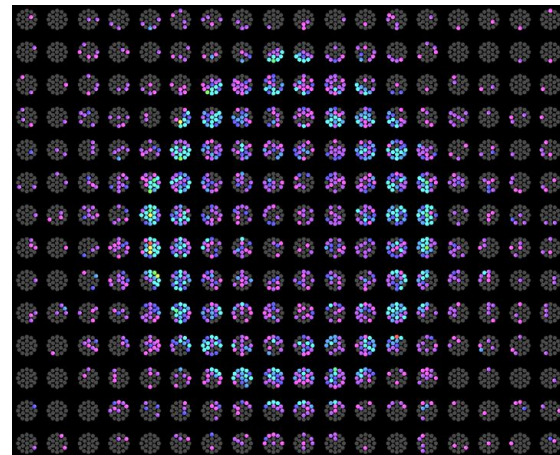
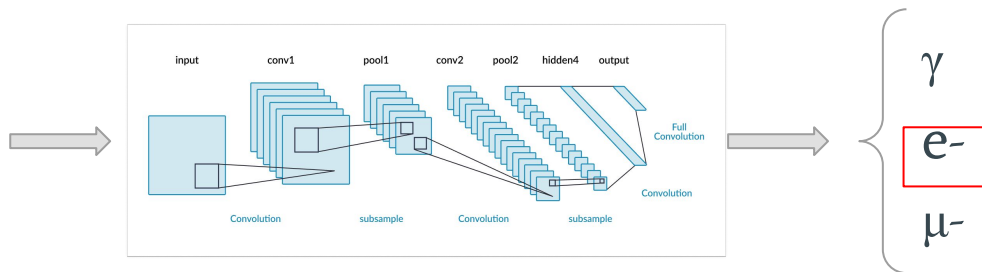
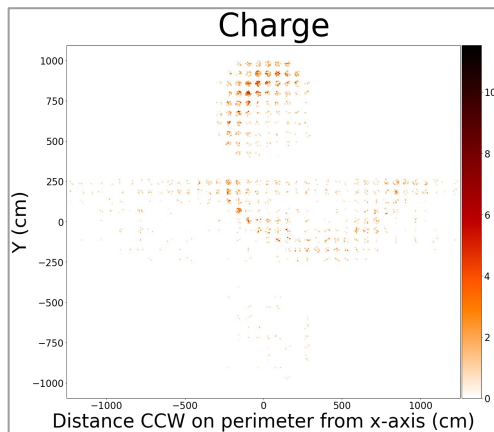


Reconstruction
Algorithm



Particle Type Identification

- Classify events as one of e^- , γ or μ^-
 - Task objective is to identify the class of event associated with charge and time data from PMTs
- Important for discriminating between signal events and backgrounds
 - When inferring event statistics
- Good model problem for characterizing potential of machine learning techniques



Likelihood Based Event Reconstruction

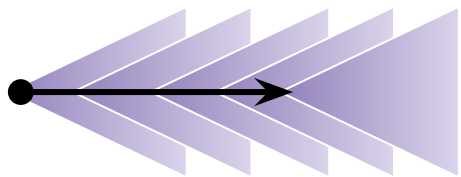
- Conventional fitting algorithms such use maximum likelihood fitting
 - Produce likelihood of model assuming particle type
 - Predict based on relative likelihoods of different classes
- We have a likelihood based algorithm (fiTQun) that achieves good reconstruction performance with IWCD data
- Cost of fitting events high with increasing data resolution and model complexity
 - Reaching computational limits in performance on difficult tasks

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_j^{unhit} P_j(unhit|\mathbf{x}) \prod_i^{hit} P_i(hit|\mathbf{x}) f_q(q_i|\mathbf{x}) f_t(t_i|\mathbf{x})$$

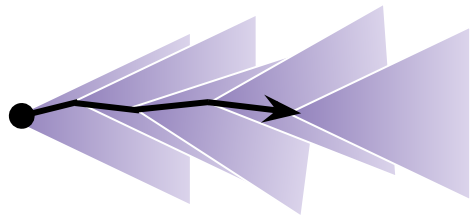
Likelihood to maximise Candidate event hypothesis Probability of no hit at PMT Probability of hit at PMT Hit charge probability density Hit time probability density

Particle Event Discrimination

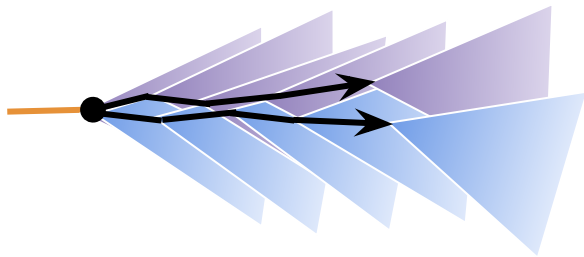
muon
(1 track)



electron
(1 track)

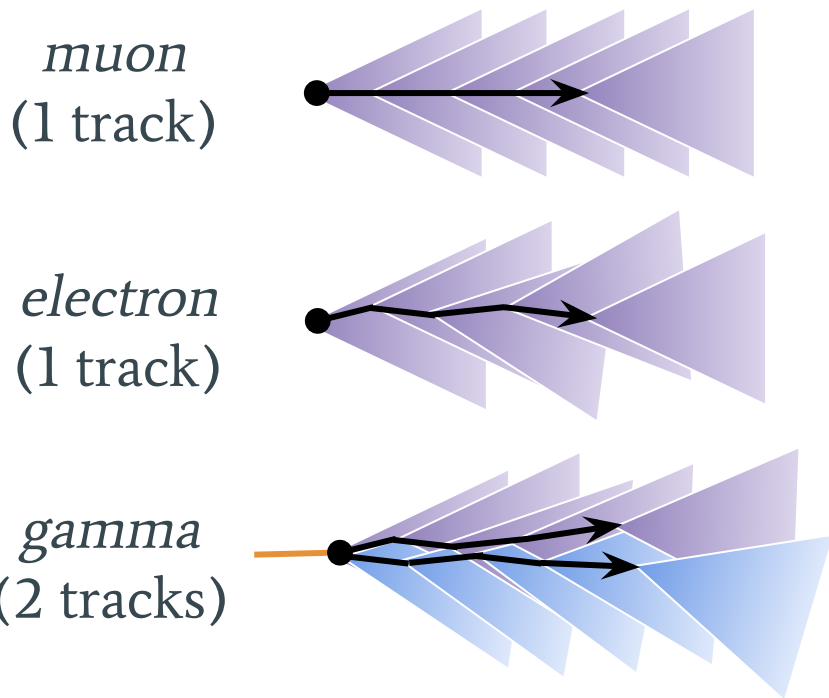


gamma
(2 tracks)



- Classify events as one of e^- , γ or μ^-
- μ^- produced by ν_μ interactions
 - Little deflection, produce crisp cones
- e^- produced by ν_{e^-} interactions
 - Undergoes scattering, producing a more diffuse ring
- γ particles are secondary products that undergo pair production
 - Produces two highly proximal electron-like rings

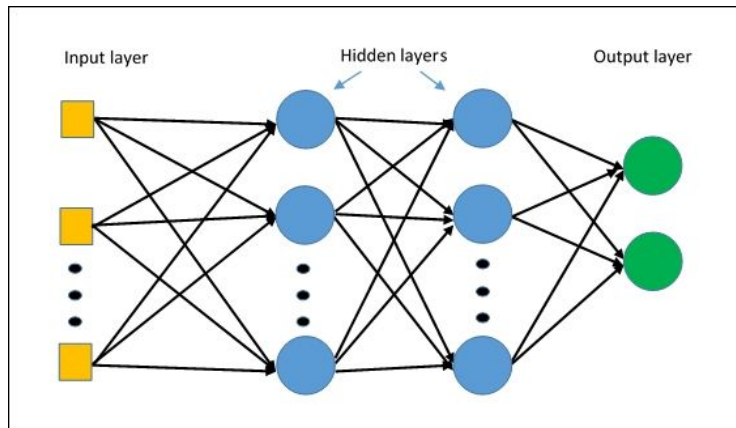
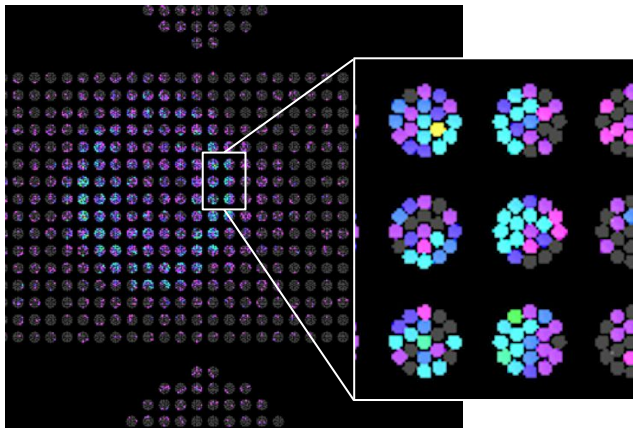
e-/ γ Discrimination



- Really two tasks, e-/ γ vs μ^- task and e- vs γ task
 - e-/ γ both produce diffuse rings vs sharp μ^- rings
- e-/ γ vs μ^- task is much easier than e- vs γ task, and treated well by existing methods
- e- vs γ task still a challenge for existing methods
- With the increased resolution of mPMTs, it may now be possible to distinguish gamma events
 - Hopefully achieve meaningful performance in discrimination in e- vs γ task

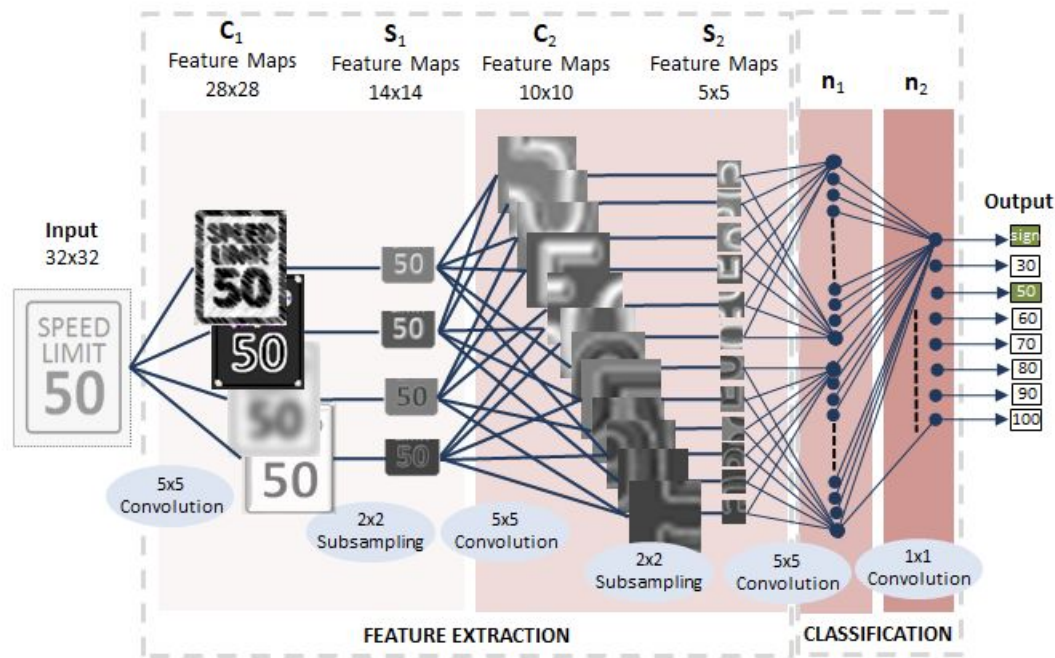
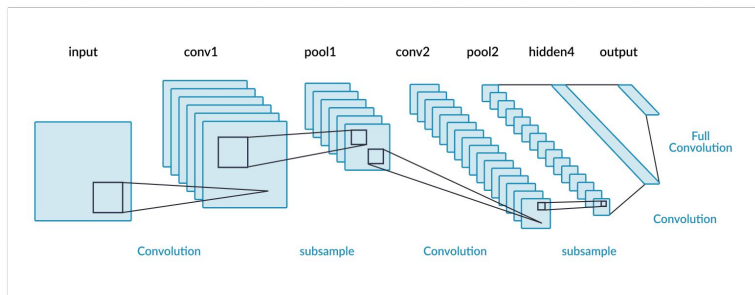
ML Based Event Reconstruction

- Compared to likelihood models, neural networks
 - Much lower computational cost for prediction (once network has been trained)
 - Can avoid requiring simplifying assumptions about detector behaviour
- Hope is that neural network methods will allow us to make full use of increased resolution
 - Optimistic that this may help with difficult tasks such as e/γ discrimination



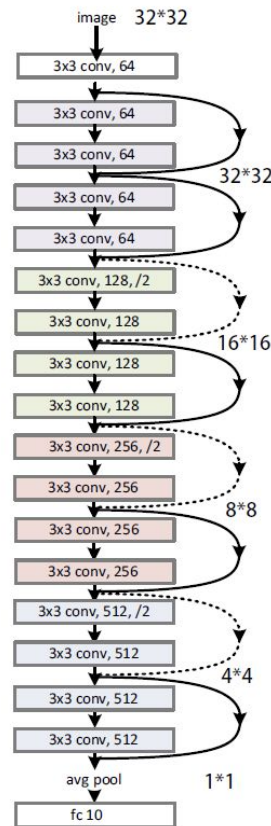
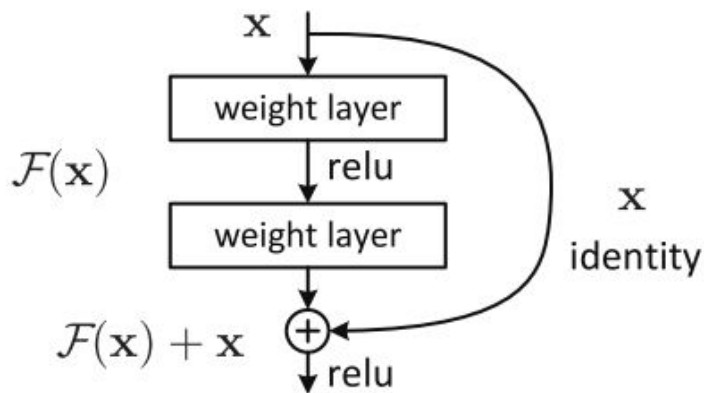
Convolutional Neural Networks

- Common for computer vision applications
- Learn convolutions to perform on the data
 - Kernels applied to input image data to extract image features into channels
- Effectively invariant to translations



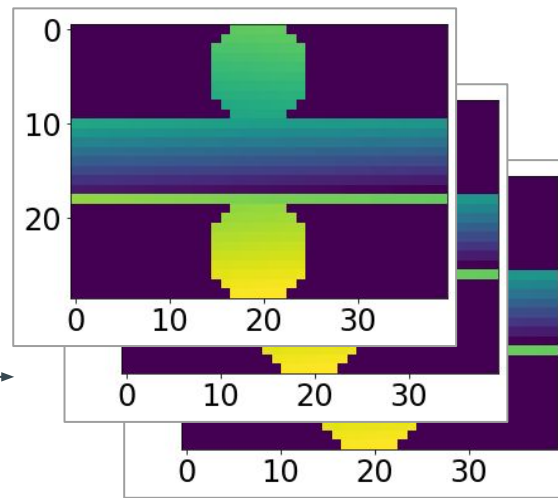
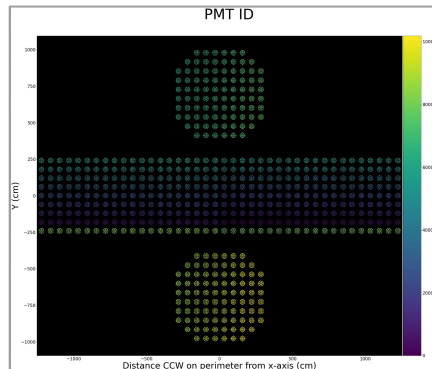
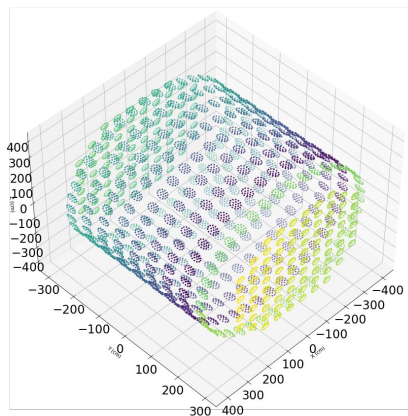
ResNet and Residual CNNs

- Residual CNNs contain skip connections which pass identity forward several layers
 - Allows smoother flow of gradient
- Residual CNNs have seen widespread success on computer vision tasks
- Architecture used is based on ResNet-18

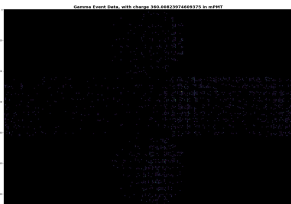
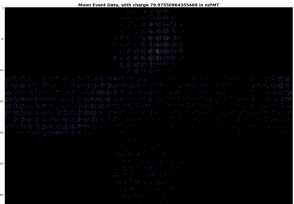
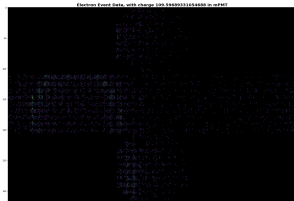
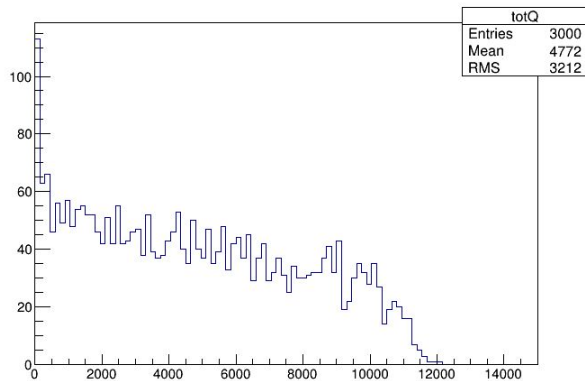


Data Format

- Collapsed ResNet data format
 - Unfold cylindrical data into flat map
 - Unpack PMTs into 19 channels
- Currently using "digitized" hit data
- More sophisticated approaches possible
 - Topological mapping used for regression tasks



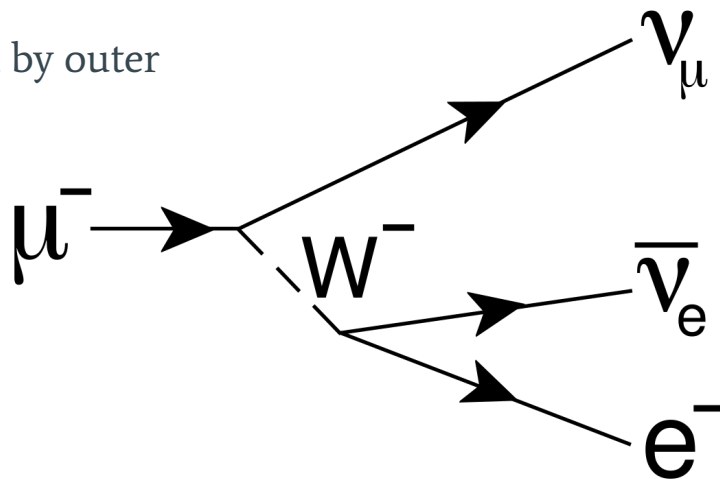
Dataset



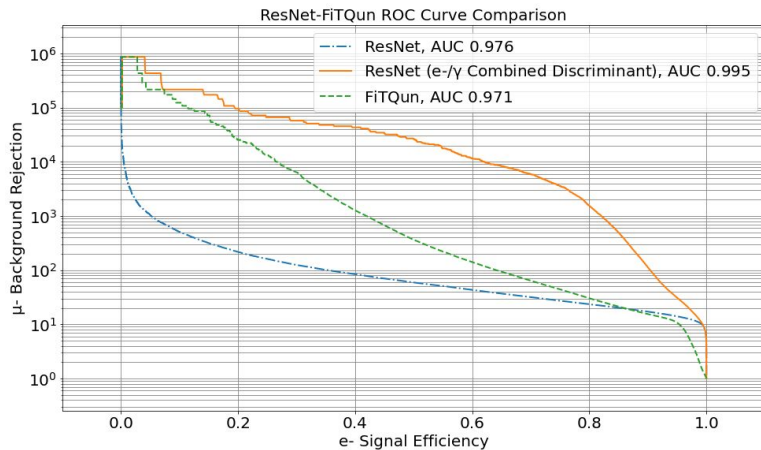
- Particle identification dataset consists of events from three kinds of particle: e^- , γ and μ^-
- 3M events were generated for each particle type using WCSim
 - Uniform distribution of kinetic energy over the range 0-1000 MeV above Cherenkov threshold
 - Isotropic distribution of angles
 - Event origin distributed uniformly over IWCD volume
 - Events with no hits were removed
- Simulations yield time and charge of all PMT hits
 - Used only charge data and 'digitized' hits
- Events were split 50/10/40 among training/validation/test datasets

Event Flags

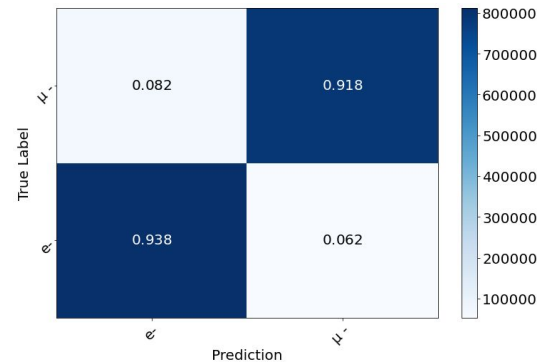
- Examined impact of possibly irregular events
 - Flagged events with Michel electrons
 - Detector triggered after a muon had produced an electron
 - Will not be present in future datasets (e.g. short tank geometry)
 - Added an outer detector (OD) event flag
 - Events which would not have been detected by outer volume elements
 - Included from the start for future datasets
- No noticeable effect on performance



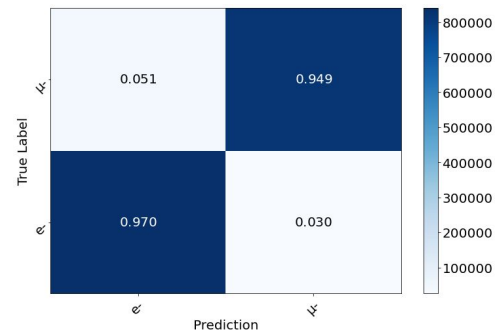
Performance and Previous Results



- Previously results had been obtained with a 3-class ResNet-18 model
- Performance appears to be competitive when compared with FiTQun
- Also investigated dependence of performance on some key features such as event energy and particle trajectory



FiTQun confusion matrix



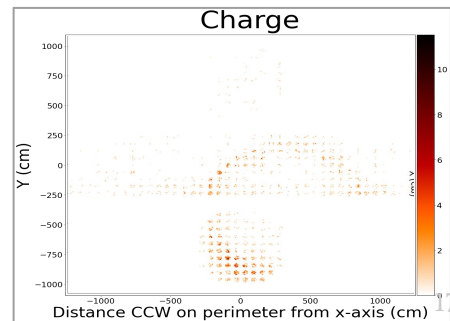
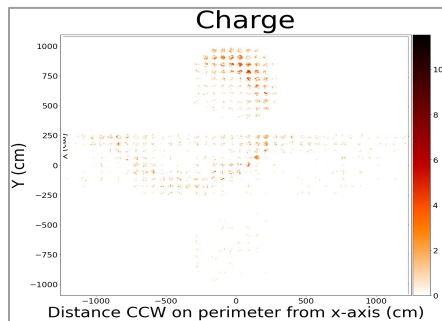
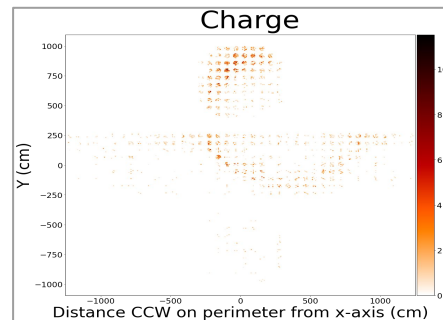
ResNet (Combined discriminant)
confusion matrix

Performance Improvements

- Two main lines of improvement
 - Data Augmentation (addition of transforms)
 - 2-Class Models

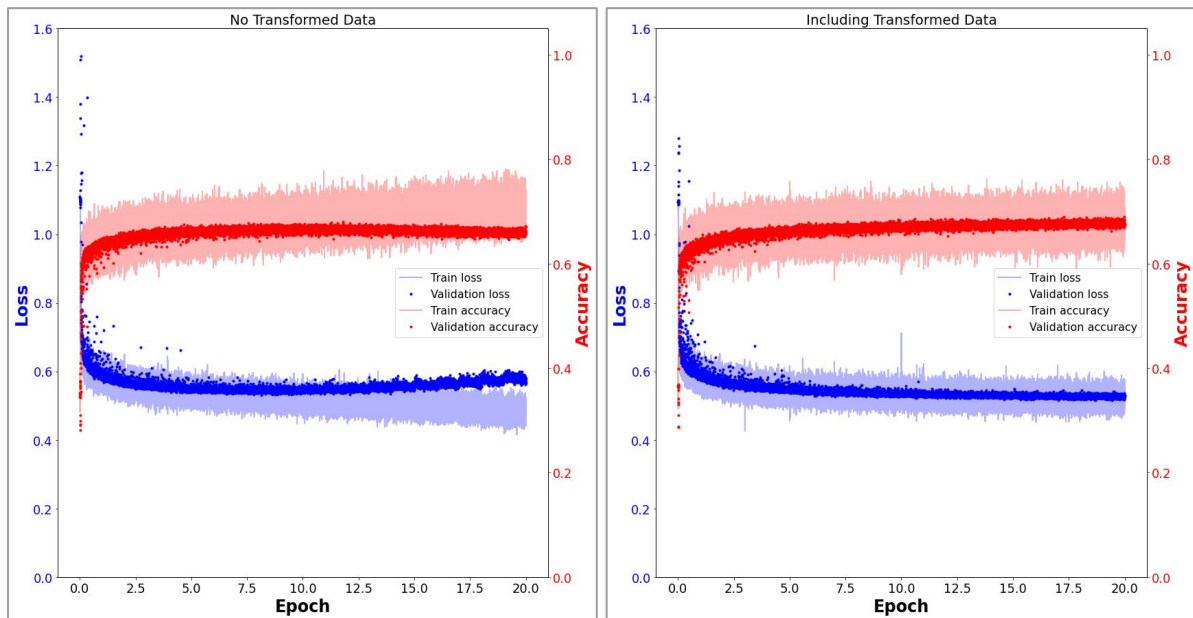
Data Augmentation

- Introduced random horizontal and vertical flipping
 - Uses dataset data to generate related data
- Effectively increases the size of the training dataset
 - Larger representative sample to train on

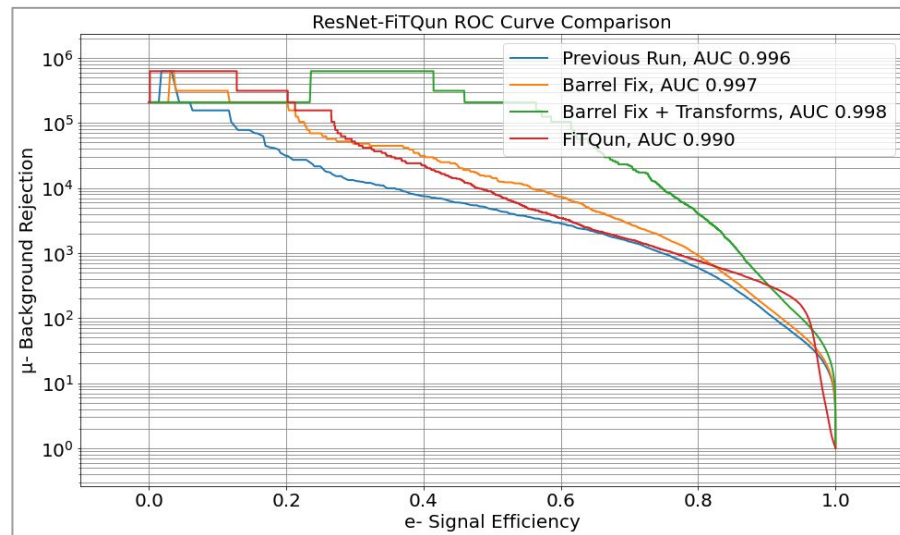
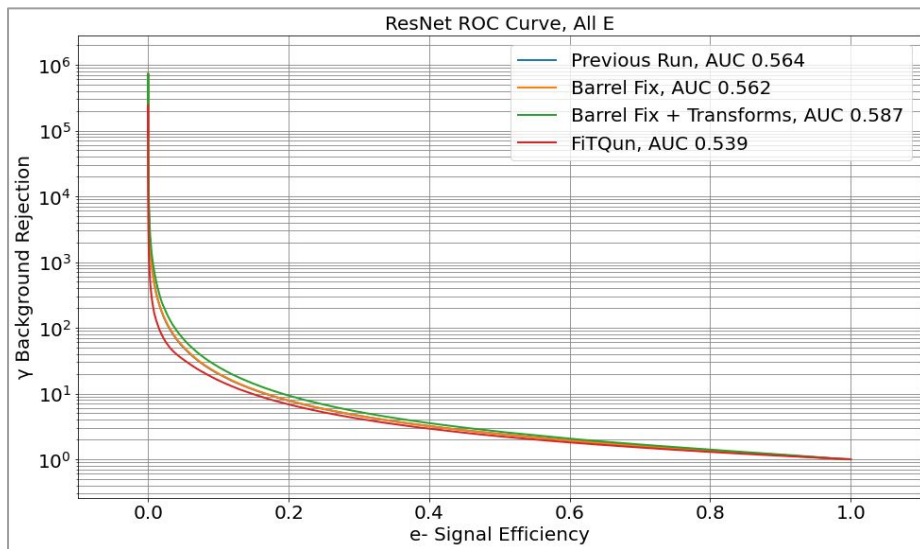


Data Augmentation Effect on Overfitting

- Introduction of transforms appears to help reduce overfitting
- Models trained with augmentation avoid overfitting otherwise observed by around 20 epochs

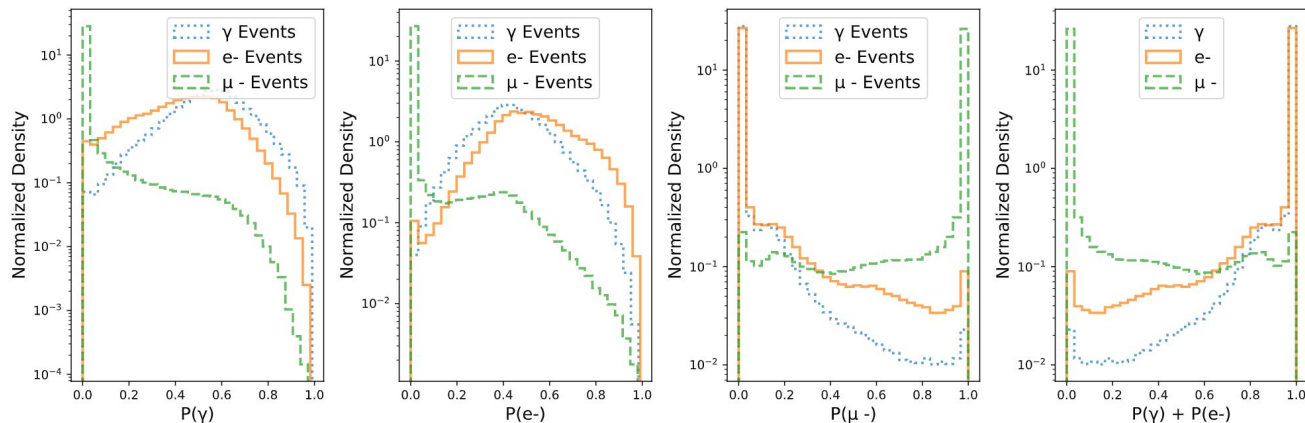


Data Augmentation Performance



- Reduced overfitting does in fact lead to improved performance on the test set
- In combination with other improvements, yields substantial jump in performance over previous models

2-Class Model Motivation

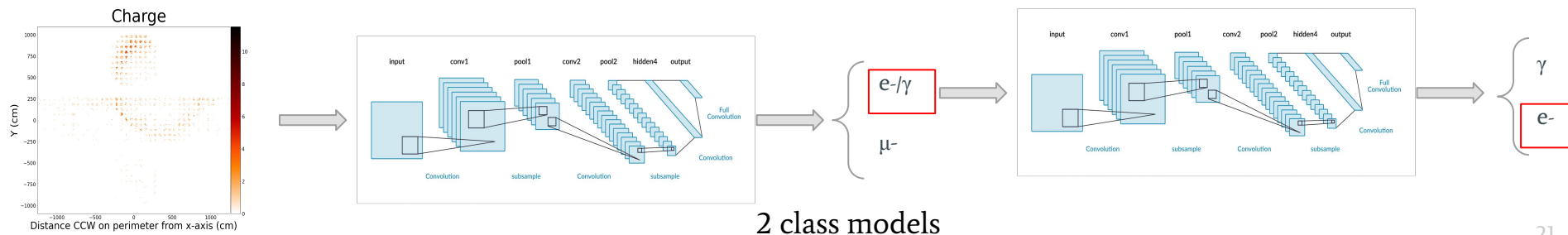
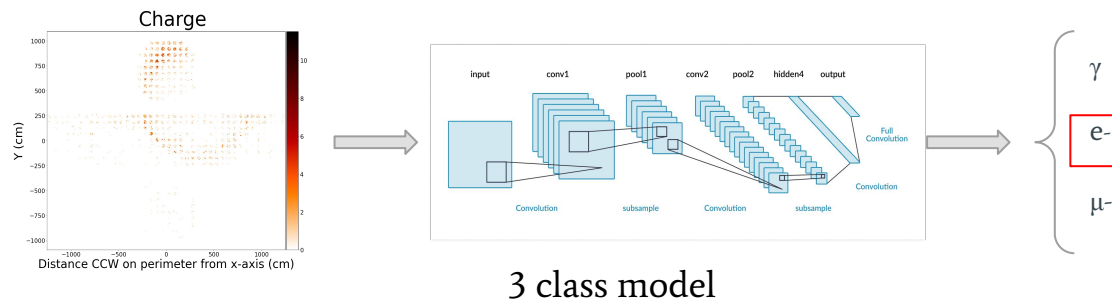


Likelihoods for true events of different types for a 3-class model

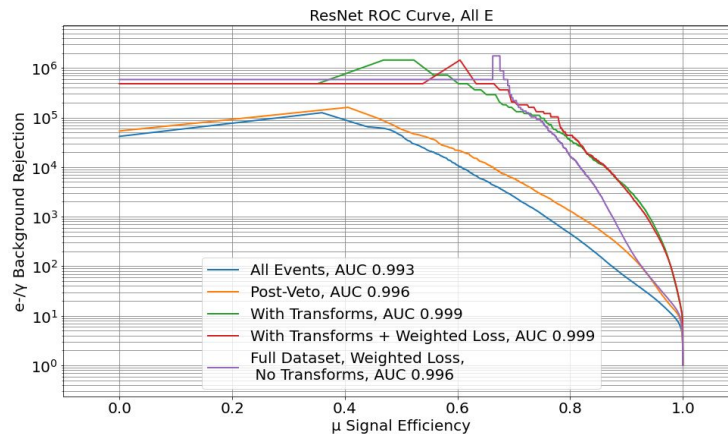
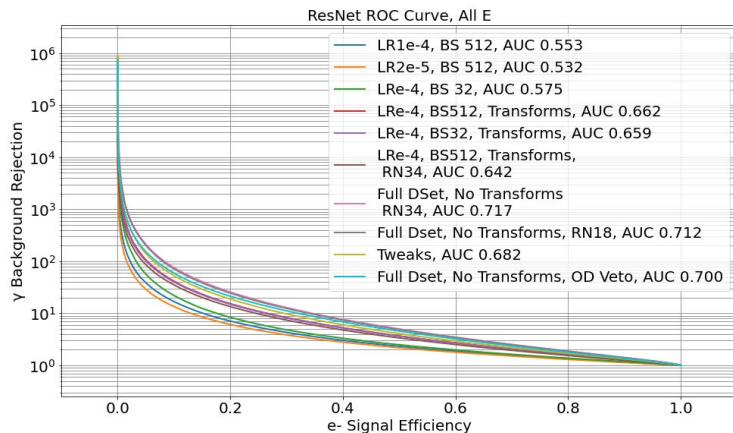
- Previous 3-class results indicated that γ rejection is more difficult than μ - rejection
 - Stronger discrimination between e-/ γ class events and μ - than between e- class and γ class events
- Solutions?
 - Split the problem into binary tasks to investigate whether this would improve γ rejection

2-Class Models

- First tackle separating e^-/γ class from μ^- class with one classifier
- Have second network tackle more difficult discrimination of e^- class from γ class
 - This classifier can train only on e^- and γ data

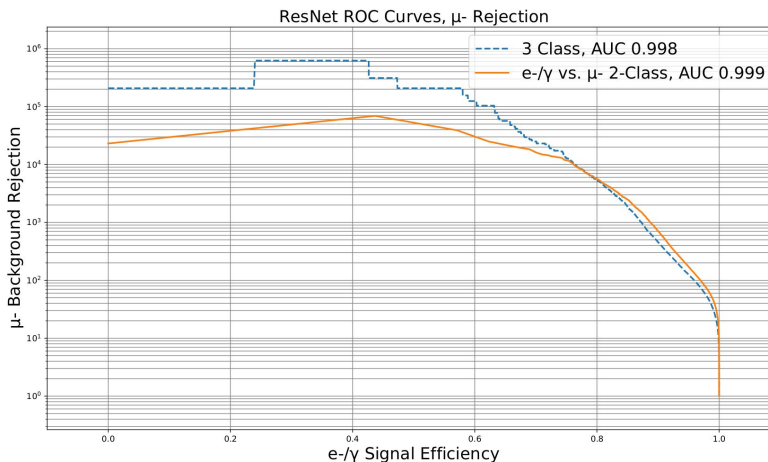
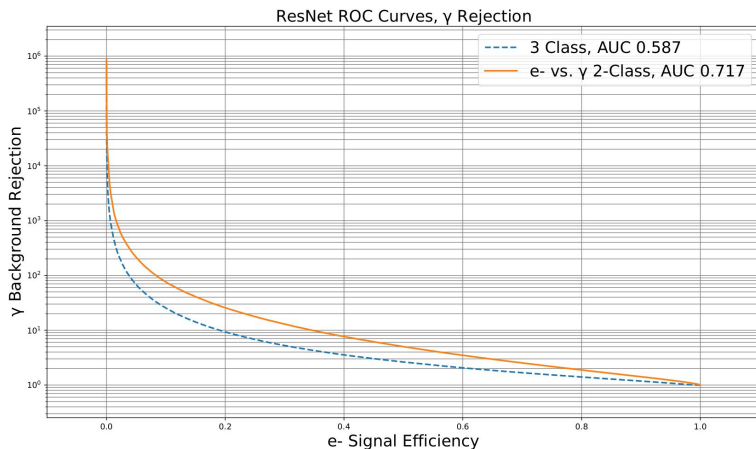


2-Class Tweaking



- 2-class models were trained with a variety of architecture and hyperparameter tweaks for optimization
 - Varied learning rate, batch size, Resnet-34
- Combined with other improvements such as transforms
- To fully train e^-/γ discriminator, additional e^- and γ events were generated and added to the dataset

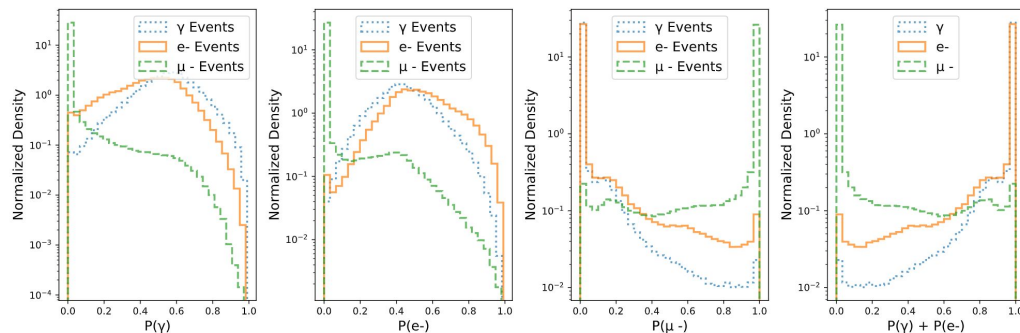
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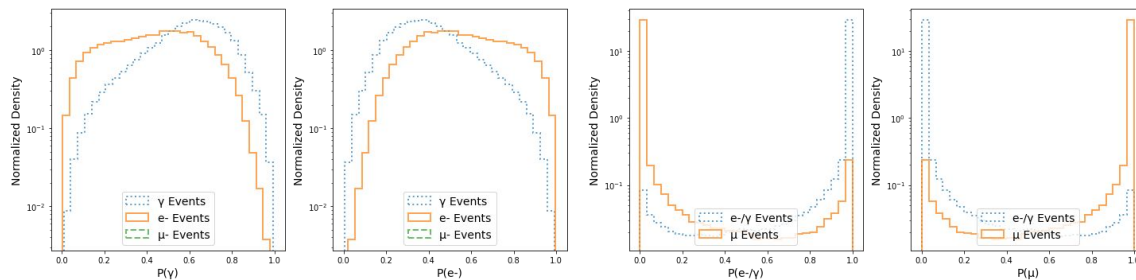
- To assess improvements obtained with 2-class models, the performance was compared with 3-class models
- Switching to a 2-class model did appear to yield performance improvements
 - Particularly for the e^-/γ task

2-Class Performance Comparisons

- Some improved separation in e/γ task



3 class model likelihood histograms

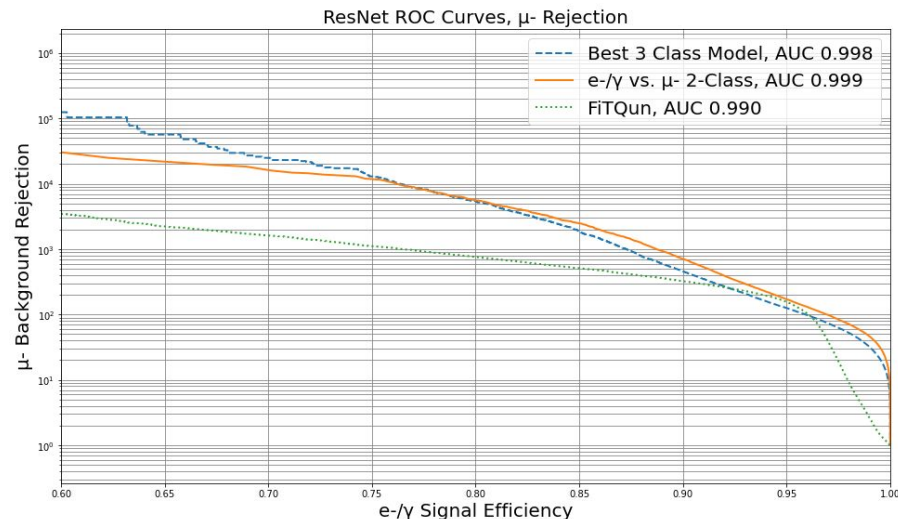
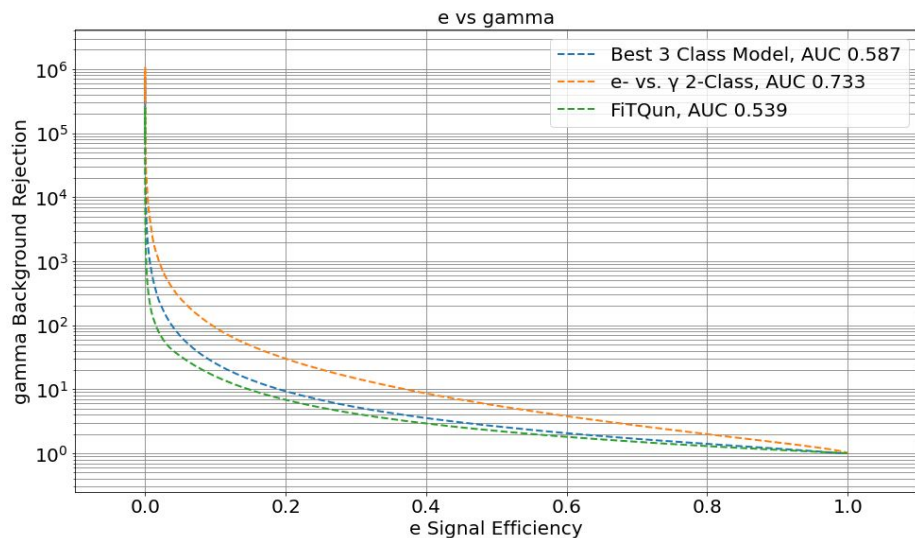


2 class model likelihood histograms

Additional Modifications...

- Training with weighted loss function
- Weight decay
- Some bugs found

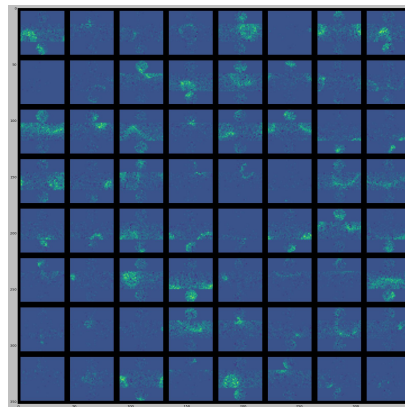
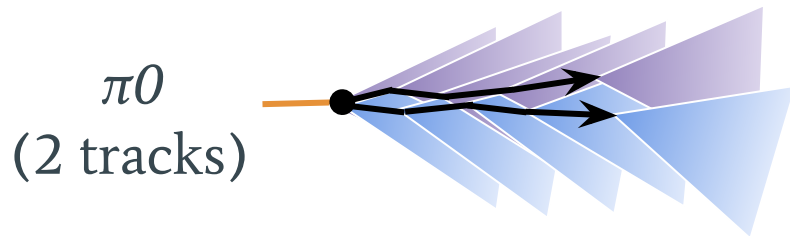
Best Results



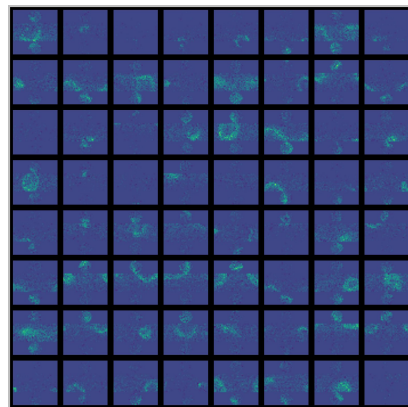
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Next Steps

- Extending model to additional classes
 - Addition of 2 track π^0 s
- Mock statistical analysis
 - Mock analysis of MC data using model to characterize background
 - Understand effects of errors and systematics on future analysis
- Resnet based GANs
 - Some very preliminary work done (qualitative only)
 - Facilitate performance evaluating and understanding of systematics



WCSim Simulated Data



GAN output

Summary

- Resnets show promise for event reconstruction tasks in water Cherenkov detectors
- 2 and 3 class ResNet models were trained on MC generated IWCD data to discriminate e^- , γ and μ^- events
- Performance on particle event classification seems comparable to existing likelihood based fitting algorithms
- In particular seems to show promise on the problem of e^-/γ separation

Thank you!
Questions?