

(Machine) Learning to Remove Pileup at the LHC

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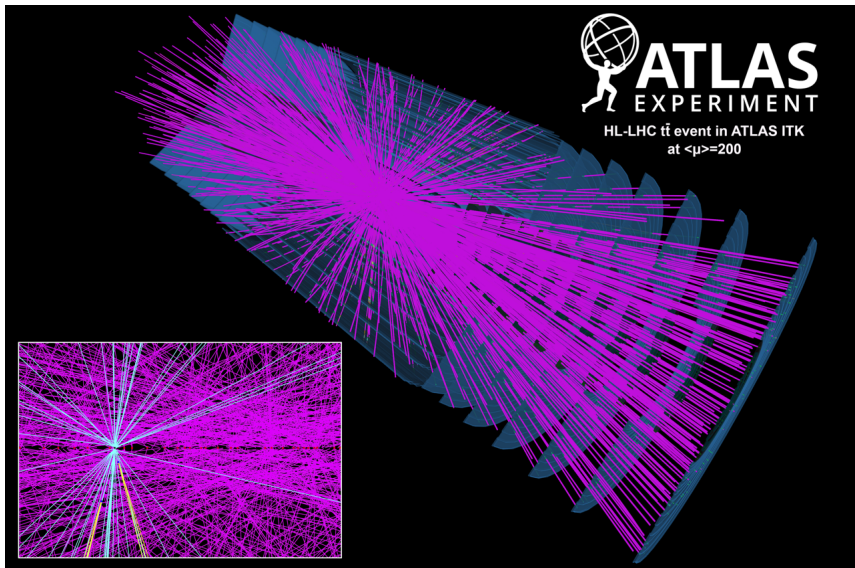
Based on: Patrick T. Komiske, EMM, Benjamin Nachman, Matthew D. Schwartz, [arXiv:1707.08600](https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.08600)

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Overview

- Pileup
- Jet Images
- Pileup Mitigation with Machine Learning (PUMML)
- Performance and Robustness
- What is being learned?

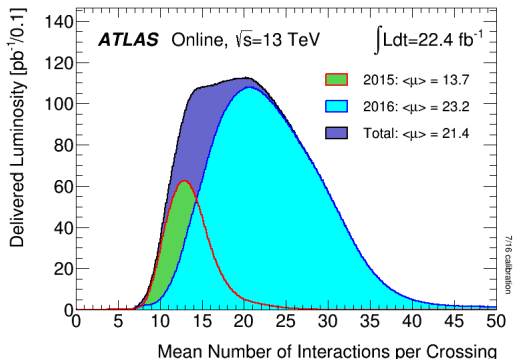
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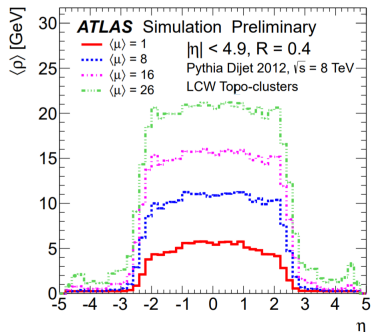
■ Pileup problem in context

- Presently: ~ 20 pileup vertices per bunch crossing
- Run 3: ~ 80 pileup vertices per bunch crossing
- HL-LHC: ~ 200 pileup vertices per bunch crossing



Pileup

- Pileup p_T is roughly uniform in pseudorapidity and azimuth.
- Charged particles with $p_T > 500\text{MeV}$ can be ID'd as pileup from tracking.
- The problem is thus to predict the neutral leading vertex (LV) p_T .



Mitigation Approaches

Pileup Per Particle Identification (PUPPI)

- Bertolini, Harris, Low, and Tran, [arXiv:1407.6013](#)
- Correct particle/calorimeter energies based on surrounding charged pileup distribution.

SoftKiller

- Cacciari, Salam, Soyez, [arXiv:1407.0408](#)
- Dynamically determined transverse momentum cut.

Jet Cleansing

- Krohn, Low, Schwartz, Wang, [arXiv:1309.4777](#)
- Rescaling subjet four-momenta using charged leading vertex/pileup information.

Used default parameters to give sense of performance.

Machine Learning?

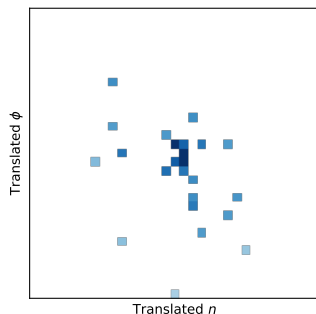
- How to input the information?
 - The spirit is to organize all of our available local information.
 - Have information on whether charged particles are pileup or not.
 - Need low-level inputs.

- What sort of architecture?
 - Use tools from modern machine learning.
 - Don't necessarily have to go "deep"

- What sort of loss function?

Jet Images

- Treat the detector as a camera and energy deposits as pixel intensities.
 - Cogan, Kagan, Strauss, Schwartzman. [arXiv:1407.5675](#)
- Make use of the extensively developed computer vision technology, such as convolutional neural nets.
 - de Oliveira, Kagan, Mackey, Nachman, Schwartzman. [arXiv:1511.05190](#)



An overview of recent machine learning applications with jet images.

■ Classification

- W vs QCD jets. (de Oliviera, Kagan, Mackey, Nachman, Schwartzman. [arXiv:1511.05190](#))
- Top vs QCD jets. (Kasieczka, Plehn, Russell, Schell. [arXiv:1701.08784](#))
- Quark vs Gluon jets. (Komiske, EMM, Schwartz. [arXiv:1612.01551](#))
- And more...

■ Generation

- Generative model. (de Oliveira, Paganini, Nachman. [arXiv:1701.05927](#))

■ Regression

- This work.

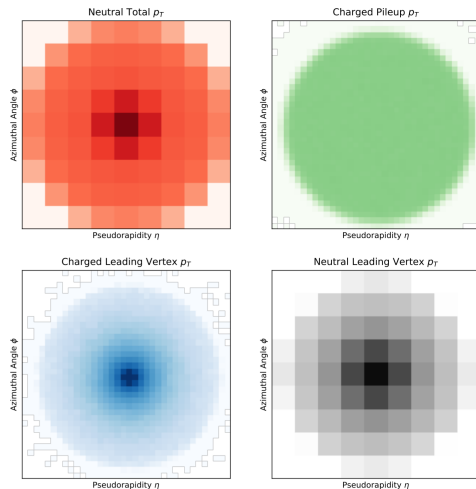
Our Model

- Inputs: three-channel RGB “pileup image”

- red = p_T of all neutrals
- green = p_T of charged PU
- blue = p_T of charged LV

- Output: neutral image

- output = p_T of neutral LV



■ Process

- Leading vertex: 500GeV scalar to dijets with Pythia8
- $R = 0.4$ anti- k_T jets in $|\eta| < 2$ with $p_T > 100\text{GeV}$.
- Pileup: NPU=140 Poissonian of soft QCD events overlaid.

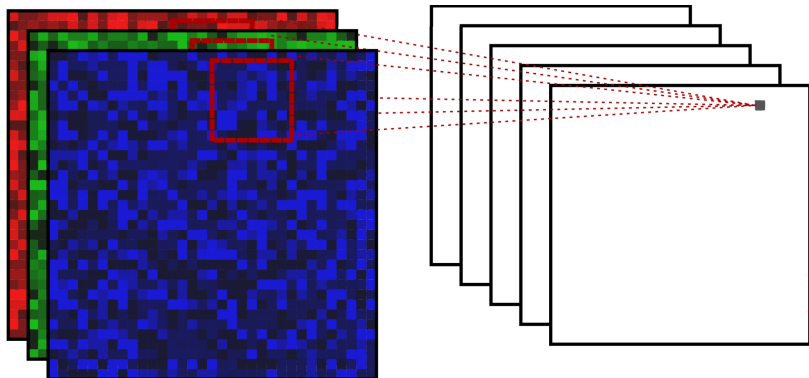
■ Image parameters:

- Charged jet image pixel resolution: $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.025 \times 0.025$
- Neutral jet image pixel resolution: $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.1 \times 0.1$
- Jet image size 0.9×0.9
- Leading vertex/pileup information for charged particles with $p_T > 500\text{MeV}$

Architecture

What sort of neural network layers should we use?

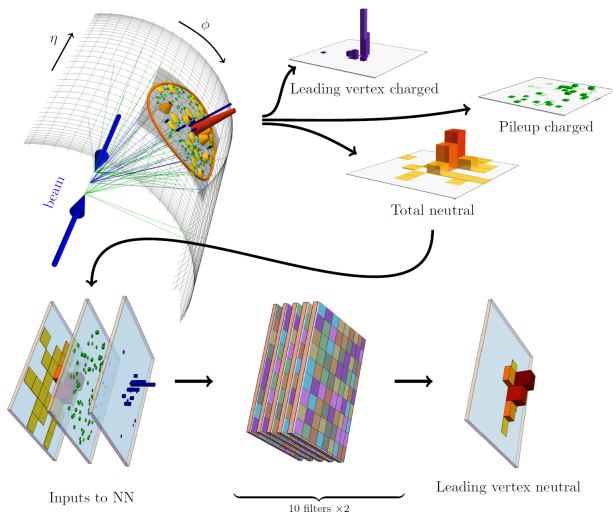
- Dense: Units connected to every input pixel with different weights
- Locally connected: Units connected to local input patches with different weights
- Convolutional: Units connected to local input patches with weight sharing



- Architecture: Two convolutional layers
 - 6×6 filter sizes
 - 10 filters per layer
 - Only 4711 parameters

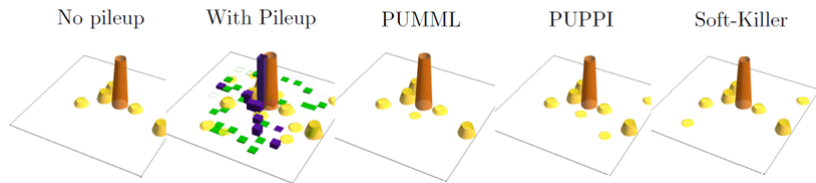
- Architecture is *local*:
 - Pileup removal of a pixel depends only on the information in a window around it
 - Can apply the trained model at the event-level, jet level, or on any specified region

PUMML Framework



Subtracted Jets

An example event with pileup and subtracted with each method.



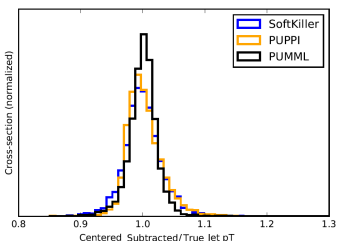
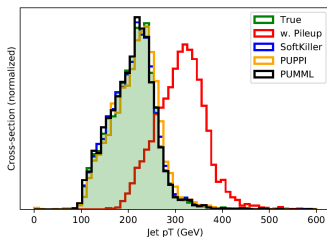
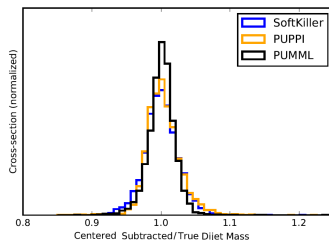
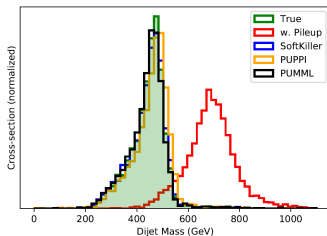
Loss function: Should we treat all p_T errors equally or penalize hard/soft errors more?

$$\ell = \left\langle \log \left(\frac{p_T^{(\text{pred})} + \bar{p}}{p_T^{(\text{true})} + \bar{p}} \right)^2 \right\rangle,$$

with $\bar{p} \rightarrow 0$ favoring soft pixels and $\bar{p} \rightarrow \infty$ favors all p_T equally.

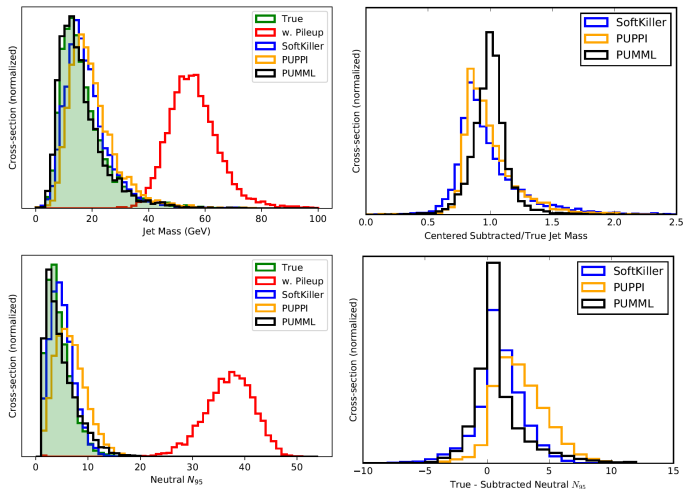
Subtracted Observables

Distributions before and after subtraction of jet p_T and dijet mass



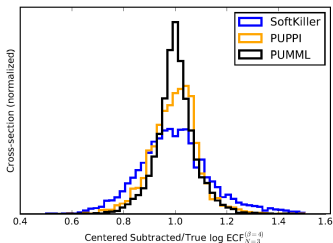
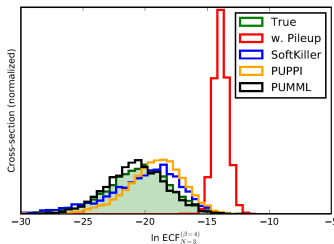
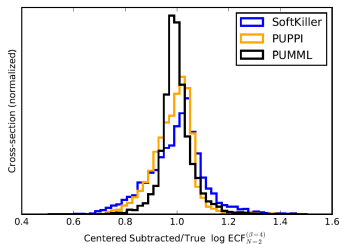
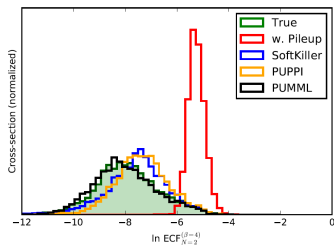
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Distributions before and after subtraction of jet mass and N_{95} .

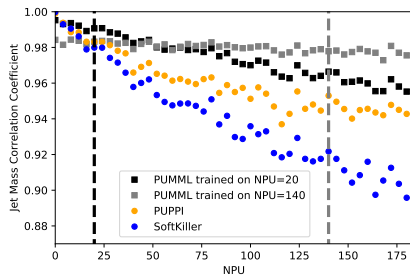


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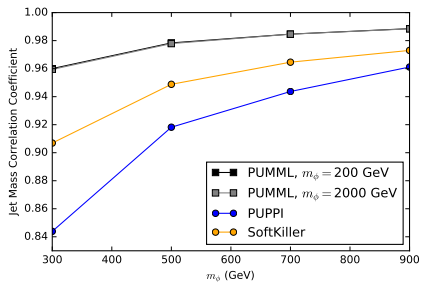
Distributions before and after subtraction of two energy correlation functions.



Model Robustness

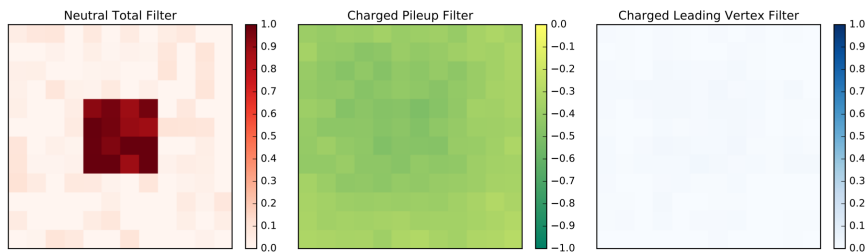


- Study robustness to pileup by training and testing with different NPU.



- Study robustness to the process by training and testing with different m_ϕ .

What is being learned?



- Train a single 12×12 filter and inspect it.
- Pixel-wise, PUMML learns: $p_{T, \text{PUMML}}^{N, LV} \approx p_T^{N, tot} - \beta p_T^{C, PU}$
- This is of the same parametric form as Linear Cleansing!

$$p_{T, \text{Linear Cleansing}}^{N, LV} = p_T^{N, tot} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{\gamma_0}\right) p_T^{C, PU}$$

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$$p_{T, \text{PUMML}}^{N, LV} \approx p_T^{N, tot} - \beta p_T^{C, PU}$$

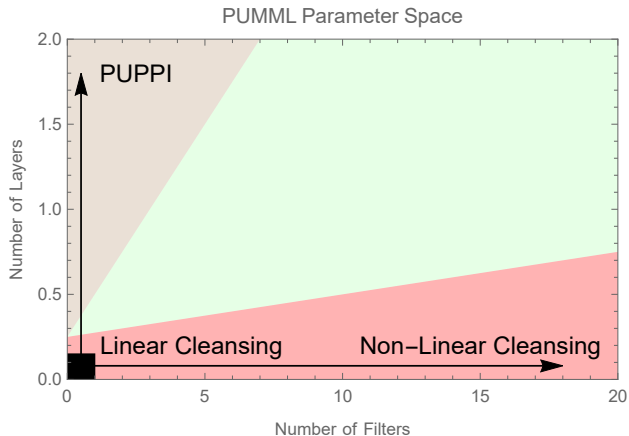
- Robust as $\text{NPU} \rightarrow 0$ despite training on $\langle \text{NPU} \rangle = 140$.
- Can we understand PUMML's β ? It depends on your loss function:

$$\ell = |\langle p_{T, \text{True}}^{N, LV} \rangle - \langle p_{T, \text{Pred}}^{N, LV} \rangle| \longrightarrow \beta^* = \frac{\langle p_T^{N, PU} \rangle}{\langle p_T^{C, PU} \rangle}$$

$$\ell = \langle (p_{T, \text{True}}^{N, LV} - p_{T, \text{Pred}}^{N, LV})^2 \rangle \longrightarrow \beta^* = \frac{\langle p_T^{N, PU} p_T^{C, PU} \rangle}{\langle (p_T^{C, PU})^2 \rangle}.$$

- Thinking about what PUMML learned suggested including charged/neutral PU correlations in the subtractor.
- This perspective could extend Jet Cleansing in interesting ways.

What is being learned?



Learning from Data

Original



Noisy image



Denoised image



- Training from simulation risks mis-modelling issues
- Prefer to train on data rather than simulation
 - Data overlay approach using minimum bias and zero-bias events already used by experimental groups in other contexts.
 - Promising for training PUMML directly with data for the relevant application.

Concluding Remarks

- We have developed an ML framework that successfully organizes all of the available local information to directly learn to mitigate pileup.
- Can use tools from modern machine learning without going “deep”.
- Thinking about what the machine is learning may teach us something.
- Pileup mitigation can be a good proving ground for modern machine learning techniques in high energy physics.

Thank You!