Deep Learning Powered Anomaly Detection for the Unknown

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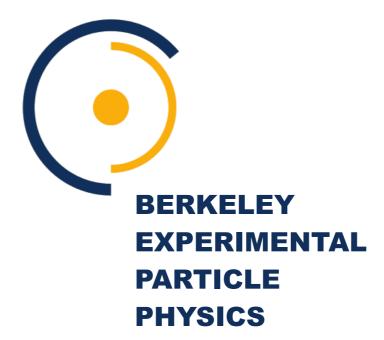
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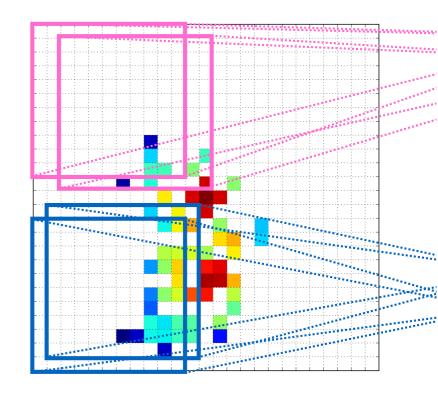
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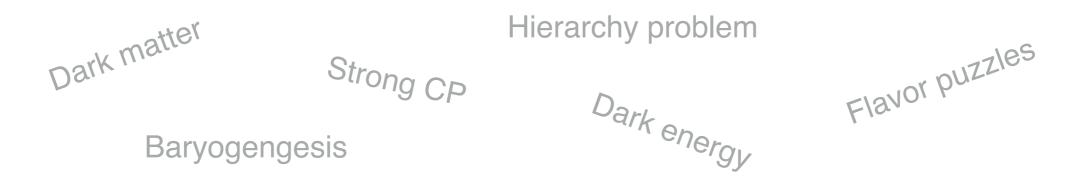




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Theoretical and experimental questions motivate a deep exploration of the fundamental structure of nature



We have performed thousands of hypothesis tests & have no significant evidence for physics beyond the Standard Model

Three possibilities

- (1) There is nothing new at LHC energies
 - (2) Patience! (new physics is rare)
- (3) We are not looking in the right place

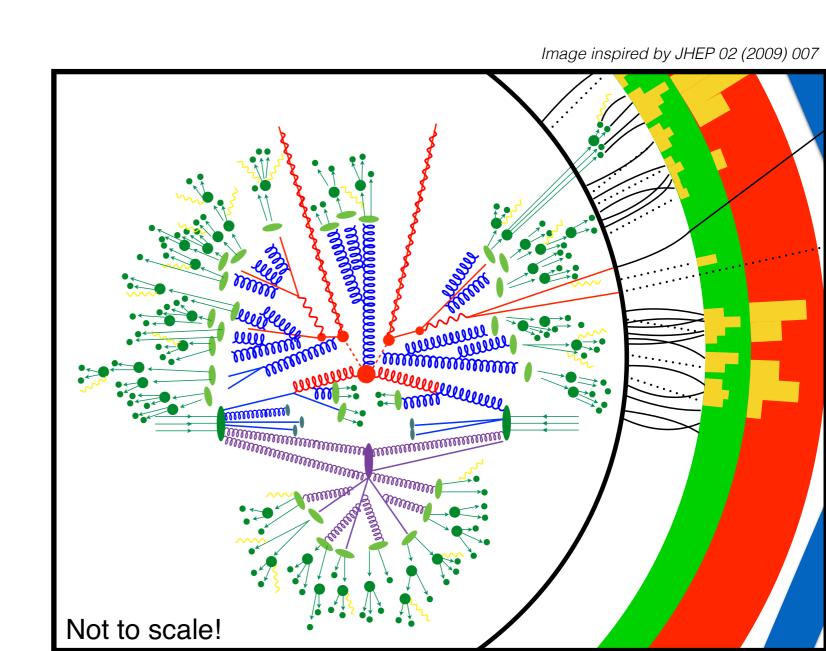
There is a lot left to explore!



Key **challenge** and **opportunity**: *hypervariate phase space* & *hyper spectral data*

Typical collision events at the LHC produce O(1000+) particles

We detect these particles with O(100 M) readout channels



ML Powered Anomaly Detection



background model independence

new ideas!

Some searches (train signal versus data)

autoencoders LDA ANODE CWoLa SALAD

+more - see the Living Review

Most searches (train with simulations) Some searches (train data versus background simulation)

signal model independence

Rapidly developing area - see e.g. the LHC Olympics 2020



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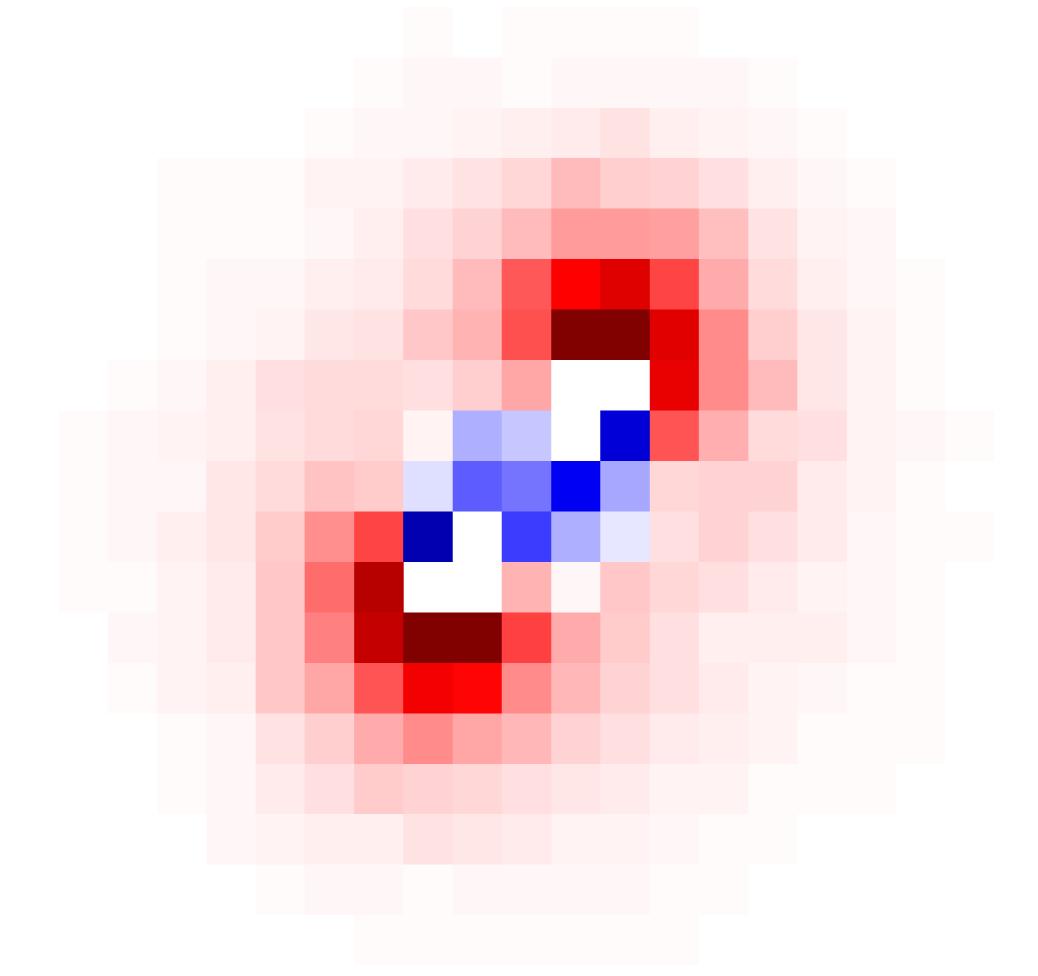
We need your great ideas!



This is an active area of R&D and I don't think it would be all that useful to repeat studies for different collider configurations.

Ultimately, my goal is to ensure that anomaly detention is part of the main physics program strategy and not just an after thought.

To this end, it seems like a useful Snowmass contribution could be to provide a survey of existing and future methods and discuss their potential for discovery at future colliders.



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