# Applying Graph Neural Networks for Xbb tagging

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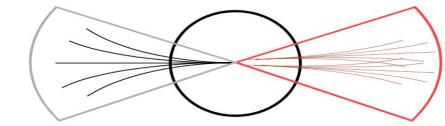
#### Introduction

- Attempting to use Neural Networks for identifying boosted hbb jets; Xbb tagger performance used as reference
- Trying to identify h->bb decay jets where both b quarks are often merged into one jet
- Jet Types: [hbb (signal), QCD (bb), QCD (other)]

#### Architectures Used

- Feed-Forward Neural Networks (ANNs)
- Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)
- Graph Neural Networks (GNNs)

We will focus on GNNs, since they were most successful, some of them matching and beating Xbb performance.



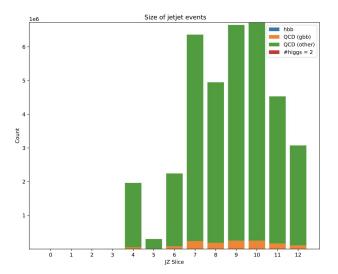
#### Sample Overview

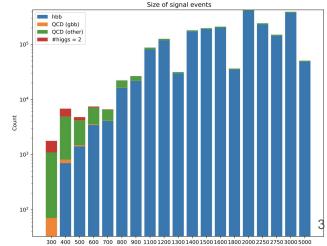
#### Samples used for each label

Hbb jets: hh\_bbbb samples (Mass = [1000, 1100, 1400])

QCD (gbb): jetjet (Jz Slice = [5])

QCD (other): jetjet (Jz Slice = [5])





#### **Exploring the Data**

Calorimeter, Track, and jet information were used as feature variables in separate models.

The following are the per-element features that were totally used for each type of data

Fatjet Data: ['C2','D2','e3','Tau32\_wta', 'Tau21', 'Split12','Split23']

Track: ['d0','z0SinTheta','qOverP', 'd0Uncertainty','z0SinThetaUncertainty']

**Jet Selection:** nConstituents > 2, pt>500e3

#### **Truth Labels:**

Hbb signal: GhostHBosonsCount==1

QCD (gbb): (df.GhostHBosonsCount==0)&(df.GhostBHadronsFinalCount == 2)

QCD (other): (df.GhostHBosonsCount==0)&(df.GhostBHadronsFinalCount != 2)

Other jets were excluded



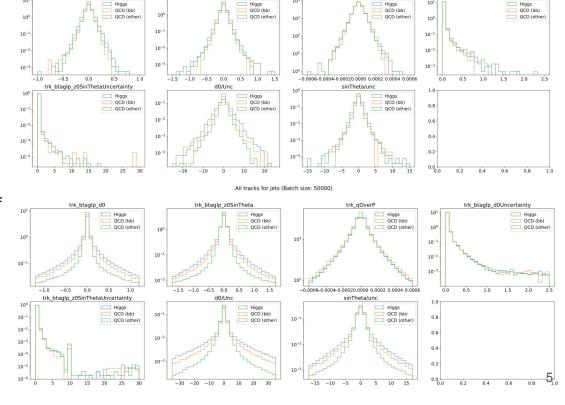
# Data singularization: Engineering/Limiting # of tracks

We investigated whether limiting/engineering track data is useful

**Overall Track average:** There is not much variance between labels

**All tracks together:** Discrimination in the tails of d0, z0

Certain features are distributed normally around 0 --> z-scoring, taking absolute, regular normalization



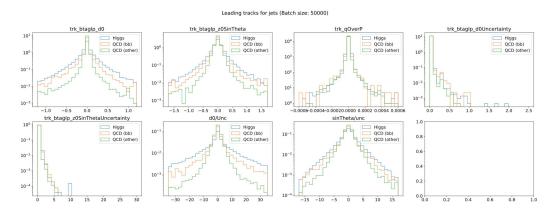
Average of tracks for jets (Batch size: 50000)

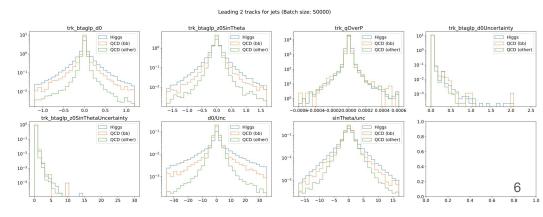
#### Observing Leading tracks

Variation between labels is a lot more distinct when considering the leading tracks of jets.

All tracks were kept in input data, since model performance increased with more tracks included.

\*\*When taking leading 2 tracks: Jets with <2 tracks were excluded, since graph\_nets could not recognize dummy axes\*\*



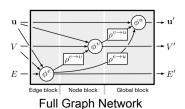


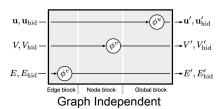
## Graph Architectures Investigated

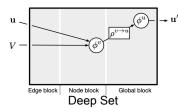
Dataset -> [0.47, 0.06, 0.47], batchsize = 10,000

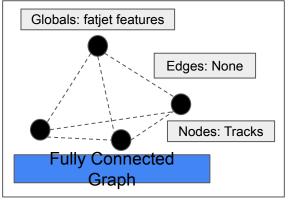
Training size: 150,000 jets, Testing size: 50,000 jets

#### **GNN Architectures Investigated:**









Edges - None,

Nodes - tracks (d0, z0, etc),

Globals - fat jet info (c2, d2, t32, etc)

Graphs were fully connected with edges as zero vectors.

- Since the fatjet globals were not normalized, a graph independent normalization layer on globals was included in each model.
- Prediction logits: output graph's global variables

# **GNN** performance: High-Level

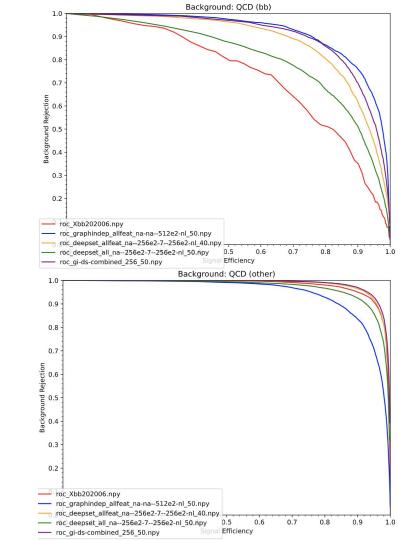
Red: Current ATLAS Xbb tagger

Blue: Graph Independent on tracks+features

Yellow: Deep Set on tracks+features

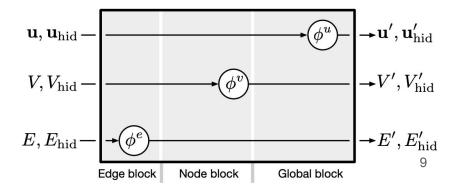
Green: Deep Set on tracks

Purple: GI-DS model on tracks+features



#### **Graph Independent Networks**

- No interaction between graph attributes (node, global, edge) in graph independent networks.
- Our GraphIndep network operates exclusively on fatjet global features (no tracks) with only a global function
- Hence, we are emulating regular feed-forward NNs with this architecture.



# **Graph Independent Best**

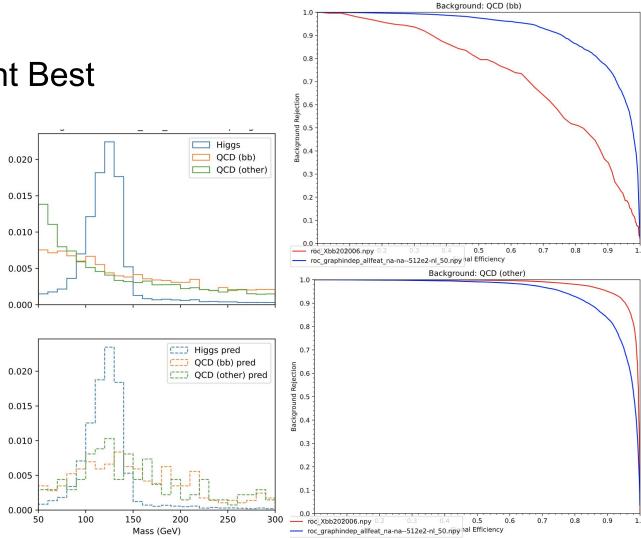
Model Blue

Model Arch: (global:[512, 512, 3])

GI model crosses 1e-1 AOC for both labels.

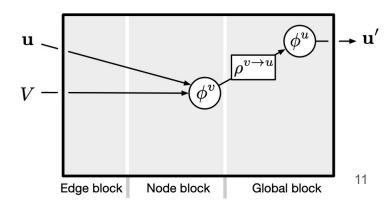
#### AOC

QCD (bb) - 0.09 QCD (other) - 0.06



#### Deep Sets

- Most appropriate graph net architecture for our data, since we have node and global info w/o any emphasis on edges.
- The output graph's global variables are updated based on node and global information, hence becoming our output logits.
- This model architecture performed best for QCD (other), since it had track d0 parameters.
- 2 versions of iterations
  - Training over tracks (nodes) and fatjet feat (globals)
  - Training over only tracks (nodes)



#### DS tracks+feat best

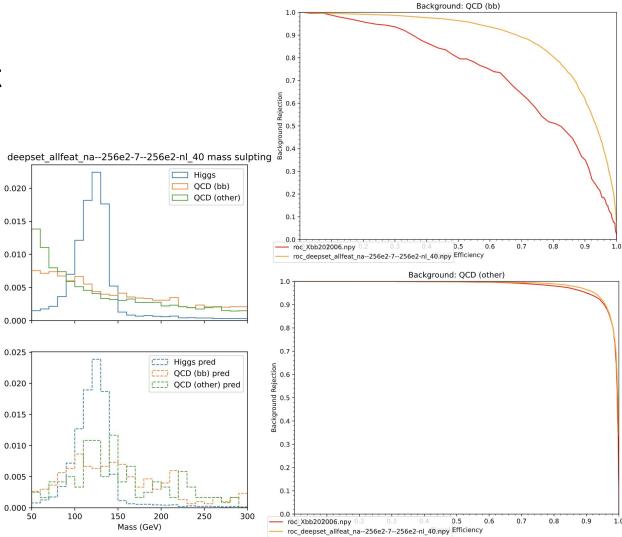
Arch: (node:[256, 256, 7],

global:[256, 256, 3])

#### **AOC**

QCD (bb): 0.12

QCD (other): 0.017



#### DS tracks best

Model Green

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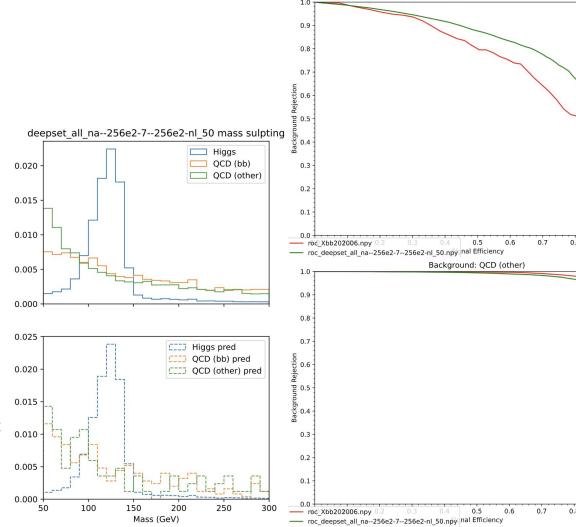
global:[256, 256, 3])

#### **AOC**

QCD (bb):

QCD (other):

- Lower-mass distributions of Labels 1
  & 2 somewhat match original distribution.
- Reduced mass sculpting effect might be due to absence of jet features

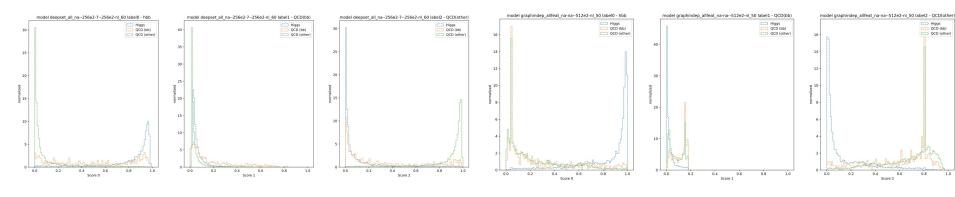


Background: QCD (bb)

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#### Comparing the best single models per label

Graph independent networks seem to perform significantly better for QCD (bb) rejection, while Deep sets are marginally better for QCD (other) rejection.



Model Yellow
Deep Sets (node - [256, 256, 7], global - [256, 256, 3])
50 epochs

QCD (bb) - 0.12 AOC QCD (other) - 0.017 AOC Model Blue Graph Independent (global - [512, 512, 3]) 50 epochs

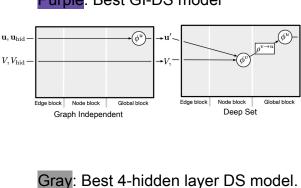
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# Combining Graph Indep & Deep Set

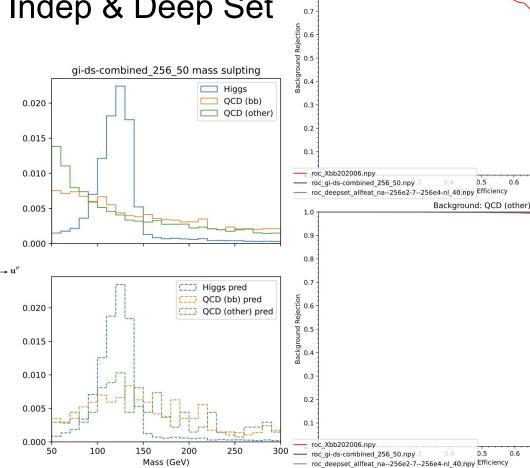
Combining GI & DS through 2 methods:

- Increasing DS node model complexity
- Training a GI-DS pipeline

Purple: Best GI-DS model



(Orig. 2 hidden layers -> global func)



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Background: QCD (bb)

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#### Conclusion

- Graph Neural Networks could match and beat the Xbb tagger
- Presence of Jet features results in sculpting issue for QCD labels
- Combined GI-DS model beats Xbb tagger, but suffers from mass sculpting

Deepset on tracks has notable performance with reduced sculpting

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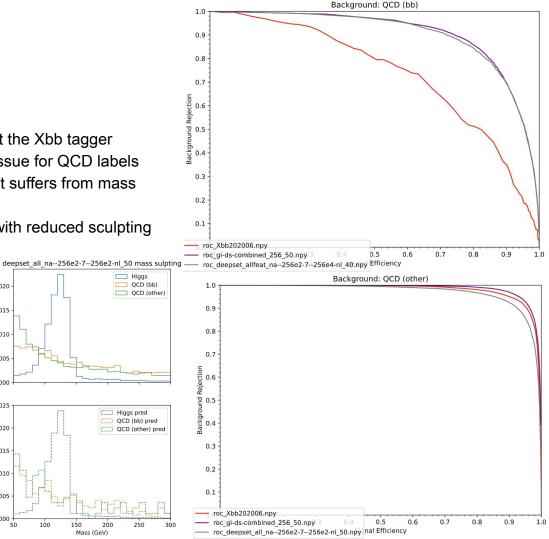
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Mass (GeV)

# Appendix

# Data Stats Cont.

## Initial Stage of GNN work

Using madgraph-simulated samples for [hbb, gbb, other] discrimintation that also forced mass threshold

#### Nature of Datasets and Model Architecture

#### **Data -> Graph Conversion**

Track data was used for the Graph Networks. Each jet was a fully connected graph with nodes representing the tracks and their information. No global weights were used and no edge weights were used.

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Track data used: ['trk_btaglp_d0','trk_btaglp_z0SinTheta', 'trk_qOverP', 'trk_btaglp_d0Uncertainty', 'trk_btaglp_z0SinThetaUncertainty']
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**Model Architecture:** 2 layers of Interaction networks, followed by a Relation Network

#### Each Interaction Network:

- Edge model: 2-layer MLP with ReLu activation
- Node model:2-layer MLP with ReLu activation

## Utilizing graph global variables

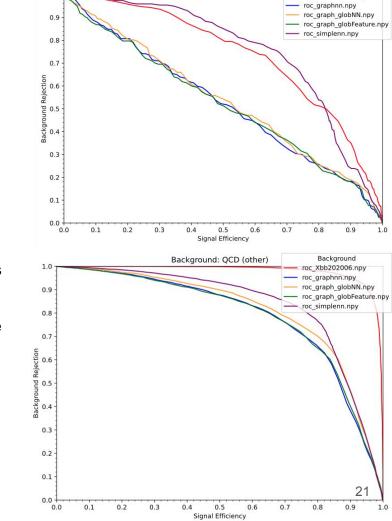
- graph globFeature: jet mass
- graph globNN: simplenn label 0 prediction
- Graphnn: no global variables

Graphs could only hold 1 global variable, not an array of multiple features

**Obs:** using mass shows virtually no improvement, while label 0 predictions display minor improvement towards the Feature NN model.

Providing all 3 simplenn prediction values could have set a baseline for the graph nn's performance, which was not possible.

At the time, I was unaware that graph\_nets could only take singular global variables, and had actually tried to run the model on all features and all prediction outputs. If a single variable proved to be statistically significant from either sets, I could have specifically investigated by training with it.



Background: OCD (bb)

Background

## Graph Networks on Leading 2 tracks

Batch size 10,000

Train: 21 (r10201), Test 10 (r9364)

graph leading2: testing from batches of same data

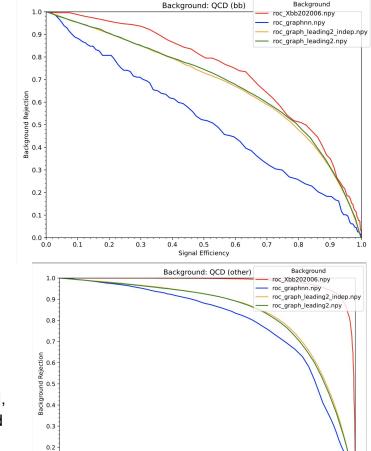
graph leading2 indep: testing on different data

graphnn: baseline graph network from previous data (outdated)

Raw track data was used, which was not engineered.

Leading2\_indep essentially shows that a model trained on a larger, structured, and engineered dataset outdid the previous graph network (which was trained on <100k jets). Better comparison will be made in following slides.

Model stats on next slide



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#### Graph Network on all Tracks

To test whether the current data and model arch could grant any better performance, we trained a graph network on all tracks.

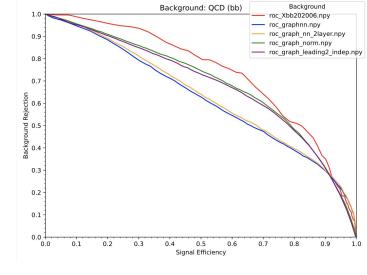
graph\_nn\_2layer: 2-layer network on all tracks, 20 epochs

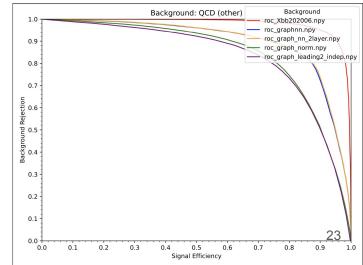
graph nn: 1-layer on all tracks, 10 epochs

graph\_norm: 2-layer network on leading 2 tracks, 20 epoch

#### Results:

- Improvement in QCD (other) rejection w.r.t graph\_norm
- Decrease in performance for QCD (bb) rejection
  - better performance with only the two leading tracks -> need to figure out how to teach GNN to select only important tracks

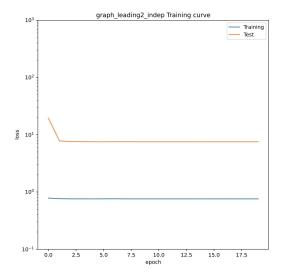


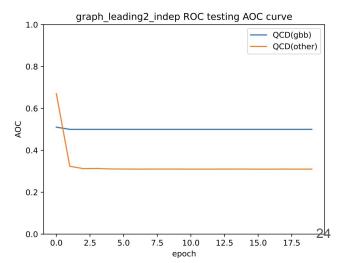


#### Leading\_2: Model stats

There did not seem to be learning beyond the first epoch.

From this, I felt that there was no intrinsic characteristic of the leading tracks themselves other than the distribution of their features. The most a model could have learnt was to discriminate along the feature distribution boundaries.





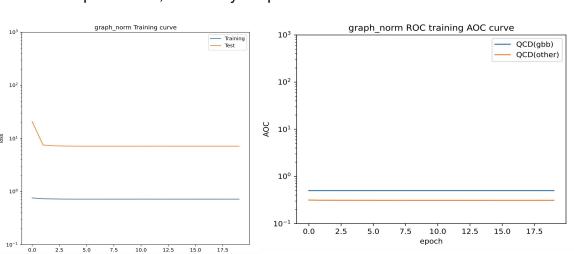
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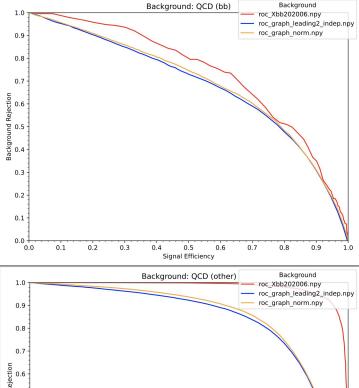
A graph network was trained on the absolute, normalized track features of the leading 2 tracks.

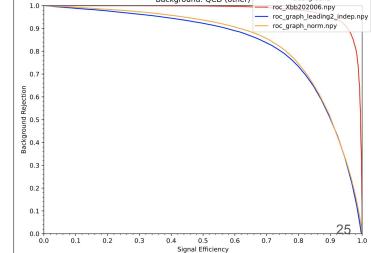
graph\_norm: current graph network

graph\_leading2\_indep: network trained on raw leading 2 tracks

No improvement, due to my simple normalization

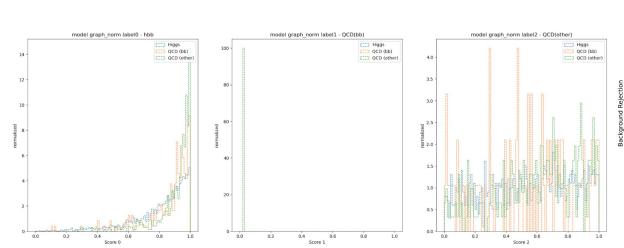


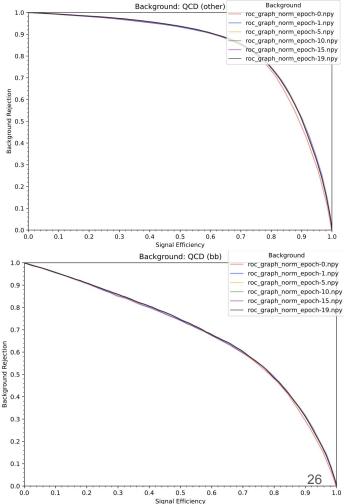




#### Graph\_norm stats

Right: ROC curves per-epoch, Bottom: Final score distribution in a batch



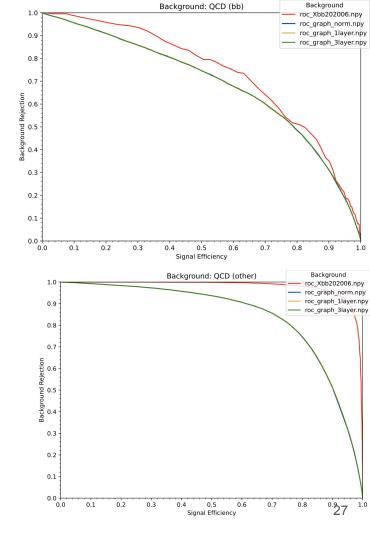


#### **Model Complexity**

Testing different number of Interaction network layers on the leading 2 normalized data

I felt the smooth nature of the roc curves indicated some missing dimensionality/complexity, which could be speculated to be shown through the absence of learning in loss curve.

However, all models have the exact same performance, indicating that limitations lie elsewhere, in model architecture or data

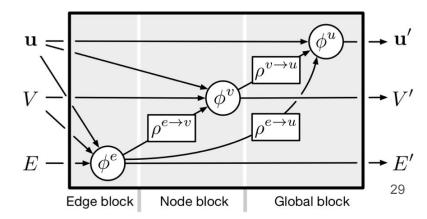


# GNN Architectures Cont.

#### **Graph Networks**

- Standard architecture for operating on graphs.
- Since our graphs lack edge info, this architecture becomes slightly inappropriate.
- Since Node and global updates came after edge updates, we assumed that the lack of edge data would not affect performance.

I have lost most of the plots for these networks, but it was clear that this architecture was inappropriate.

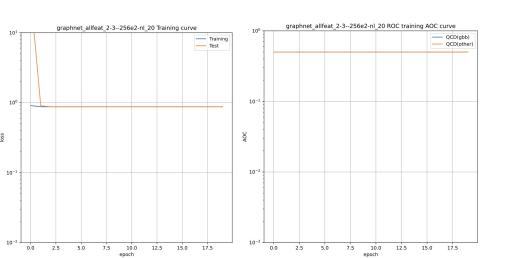


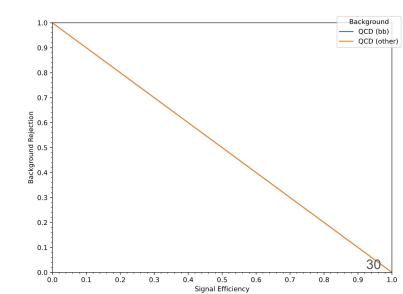
## Graphnets, an example

Data: all tracks with fatjet parameters as global variables

Graph network models: (Edge: [2], Node: [3], Globals: [256, 256, 3])

This network showed no learning, and hence was ineffective





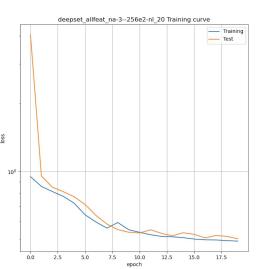
#### Reducing Learning Rate

Reducing the Learning rate was only observed to bring the model to the stable optimum faster, preventing over-correction. Hence, it was only useful for reducing training time, since all learning fluctuations stabilized at ~5e-1 loss, regardless of learning rate.

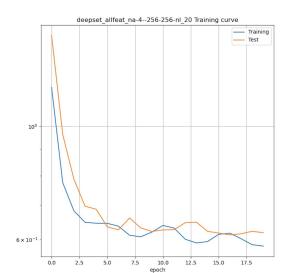
Learning rates below 0.01 were observed to train much slower than normal, requiring immense training time.

Learning rate:  $0.1 \rightarrow 0.01$ 

Learning Rate: 0.01



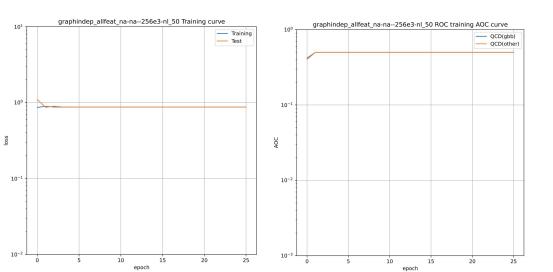
Learning Rate: 0.1



# GI Increasing Complexity - 3 hidden layers

Graphindep\_allfeat\_na-na-256e3-nl\_50: graph independent (global: [256, 256, 256, 3]) for 30 epochs (Error in naming convention)

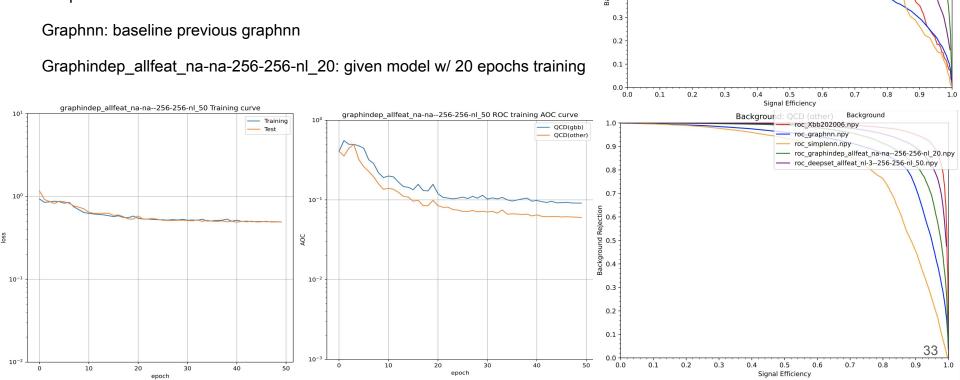
The vanishing gradient issue is greatly significant with an increase in complexity. Possible approach-> reducing the learning rate, or individually training network layers



# Simpler GI Model

Graph Indep on all tracks w/ fatjet global info, (Globals: [256, 256, 3])

Simplenn: baseline feature nn



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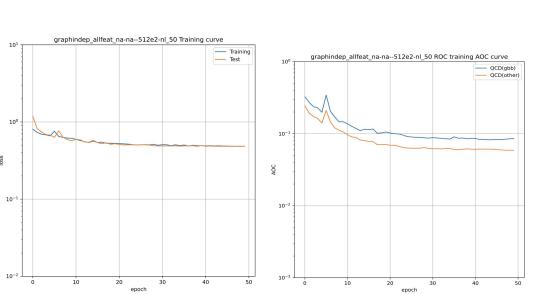
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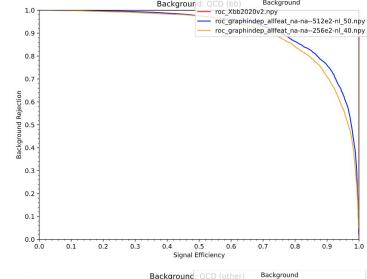
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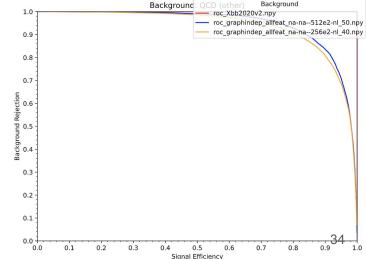
# GI increasing Complexity - 512-node layers

There a marginal improvement for both labels

(Error in 256-node layer model over 50 epochs, so its 40th epoch is shown)





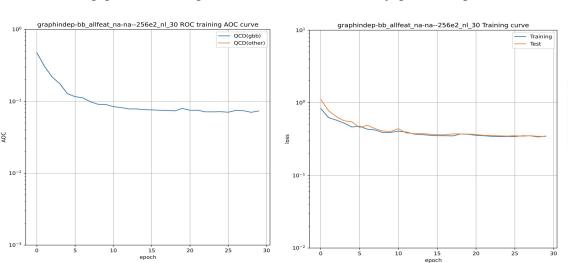


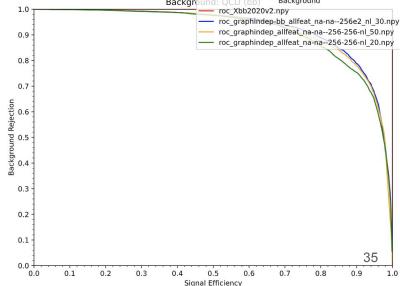
# A 2-label Graph Independent QCD (bb) network

Blue (current): GI 2-label model (global:[256, 256, 3]) over 30 epochs

Yellow: GI model (global:[256, 256, 3]) over 50 epochs

Only a marginal improvement was observed. Given the reducing learning gradient, a significant increase is unlikely given longer time.



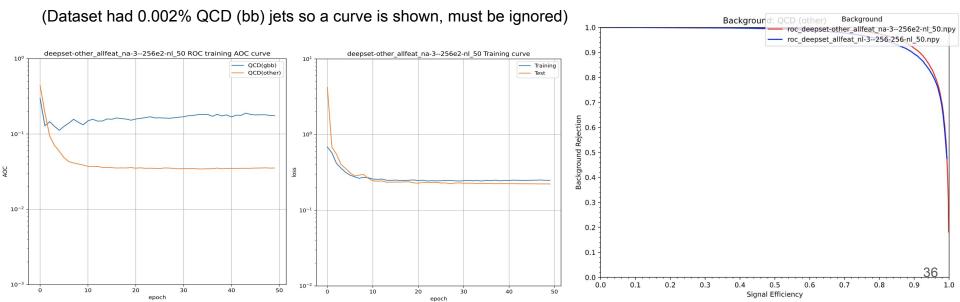


#### A 2-label Deep Set QCD (other) network

Red (Current): Deep Set 2-label model (node: [3], global: [256, 256, 3]) over 50 epochs

Blue: Regular Deep Set model (node: [3], global: [256, 256, 3]) over 50 epochs

There is a marginal improvement in rejection.



# GI-DS Combined Arch Cont.

## Individually training layers

Since network architectures are different, I decided to investigate a combination of Graph independent networks and deep sets.

The initial graph independent network had only a global model, which passed through all nodes while outputting predictions as global variables.

The outputted graph was then used as a transformed dataset for the deep sets's training, which would aggregate the global variables with node track information.

Potential area for exploration: Graph independent node model modifies and aggregates track nodes, with a secondary deep set operating over separate predictions by the global and node models

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Background: QCD (bb)

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# Applying other Neural Network Architectures

ANNs, CNNs

## Feature Variables Neural Net

Training an Artificial Neural Net on jet features

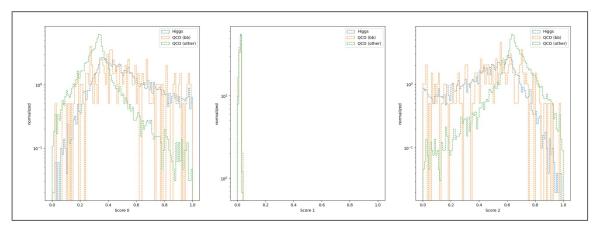
## Simple Neural Network on feature variables

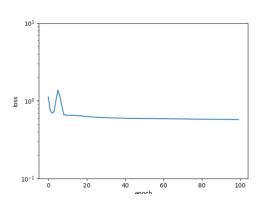
Feature variables – ['mass', 'C2', 'D2', 'e3', 'Tau21', 'Tau32\_wta', 'Split12', 'Split23']

2 hidden linear relu-activated layers with 1024 nodes each

100 epochs

(roc curve on next slide)





## Feature Ranking: Mass

In order to observe the feature ranking, mass and Tau21 were excluded from the feature varia

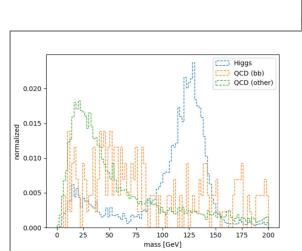
Holdout mass - mass excluded

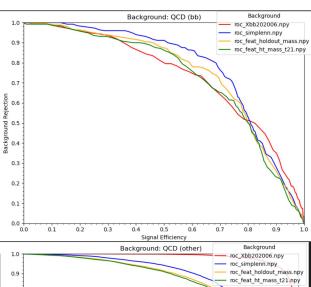
Ht\_mass\_t21 - mass and tau21 excluded

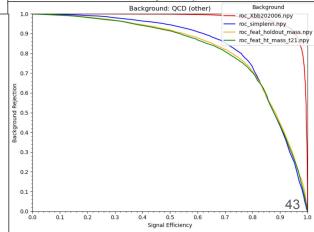
Simplenn - regular model (mass and tau21 included)

We excluded mass from the trainable jet features to gauge the networks dependence on mass for discrimination.

**Results:** We observed that excluding mass did not prove to have a major difference in model performance.







## Using Xbb predictions as input features

The 3 Xbb output predictions per jet were included as model features. Two iterations were conducted: with and without mass.

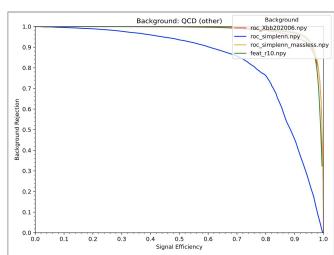
Simplenn - original NN

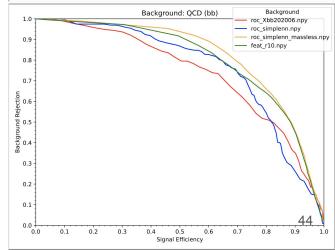
Feat\_r10 - 10 epochs with mass feature included (Xbb included)

Simplenn massless - 100 epochs without mass feature (Xbb included)

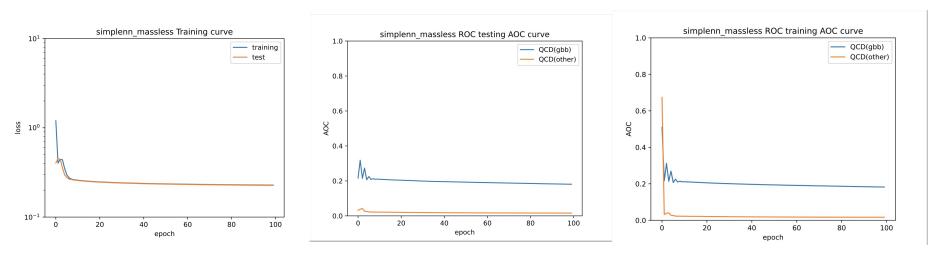
**Results:** Massless xbb-dependent model seems to perform better than mass-included xbb-dependent model,not to mention scope for improvement with a decreasing loss curve. Also, gbb rejection is significantly improved in the case of the massless model.

We observe an improvement in performance, revealing the potential for improvement for both gbb and misc background.





## Training Information for Xbb-dependent, massless nn



Even after 100 epochs, the loss curve still continued to gradually decrease.

## Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)

## Simple CNN on Calorimeter images

Calorimeter heat maps were generated in terms of dphi and deta.

The below image shows the average heatmap post-engineering for each label in a total training dataset.

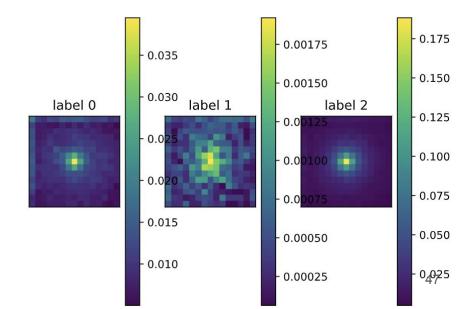
Label 0: gbb signal

Label 1: QCD (gbb)

Label 2: QCD (other)

Data Engineering was conducted via a log log method.

-> log(const. + nonnegative-rectified-log(x))

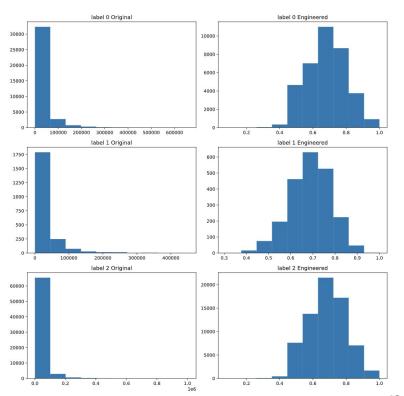


## Calorimeter Image Feature Engineering

Various feature engineering methods were tested and applied exclusively on calorimeter images.

Current best displayed - rectified double log with  $<0 \rightarrow 1$  shift

The left graphs indicate the original distribution of all nonzero cell values in a batch/dataset, while the right is its engineered counterpart



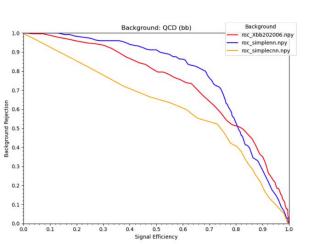
## Training a CNN with 2 fully connected Layers

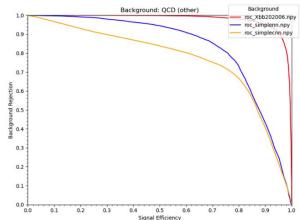
#### Layers -

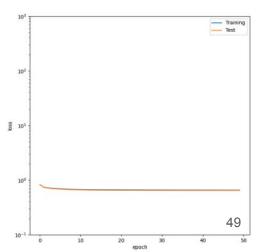
- Hidden1 10 output channels w/ kernel (3, 3), relu activation
- Hidden1 5 output channels w/ kernel (3, 3), relu activation

#### Run over 50 epochs

Best performance of a simple tensorflow cnn on heatmap images. Performance is worse that the feature nn maybe due to the sparsity of data in images







## GNN on purely calorimeter data

Graph neural network applied on calorimeter data – acts as some form of upper bound for the cnn performance. Since the sparsity of data through image cells did not persist for graphs, I made each graph node be particular calorimeter constituent (individual particle constituent, not image cell).

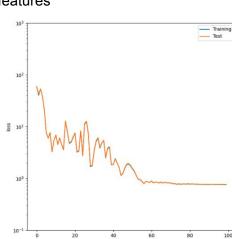
- Input data is raw, pt ranges from [400, 120000]
- deta, dphi, m are unfiltered
- ['pt', 'deta', 'dphi', 'm'] are the each node's (jet's) features

Graph\_part: calo gnn in question

Graphnn: baseline graph nn on tracks

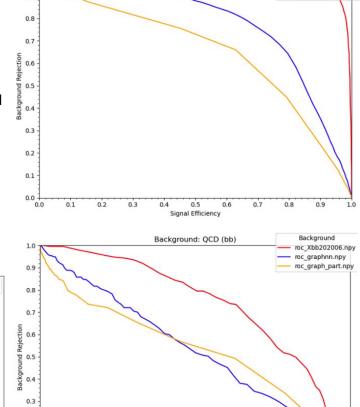
**Results:** While there was noticeable improvement in performance as compared to the cnn on calorimeter data (next slide), the loss curve indicates a limit to the performance that is significantly lower than Xbb as well as the baseline graphnn.

train/test overlap due to data/model infeasibility?



0.2

0.1



Background: OCD (other)