

# Using Machine Learning to Increase the significance of our measurement of $WW_{\gamma}$

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# QUICK REMINDER

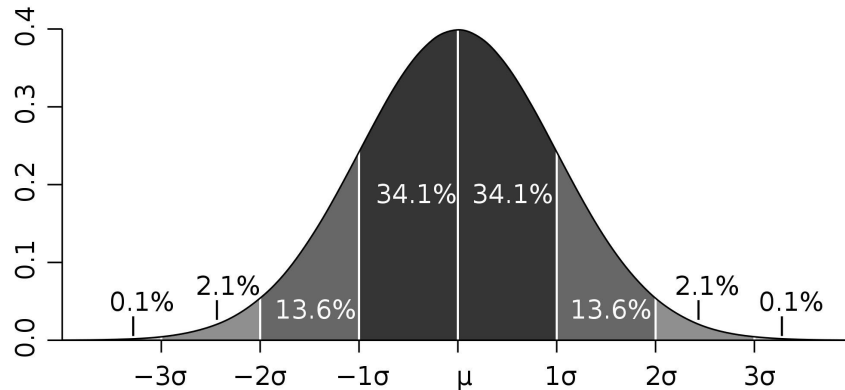
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- significance = sigma value

significance of  $5\sigma = 5$  standard deviations away from mean; 1 in 3.5 million chance of being a fluctuation

- significance = number of most likely signal events / square root of number the most likely background events

$$\sigma = \frac{s}{\sqrt{b}}$$



# WHY INCREASE SIGMA?

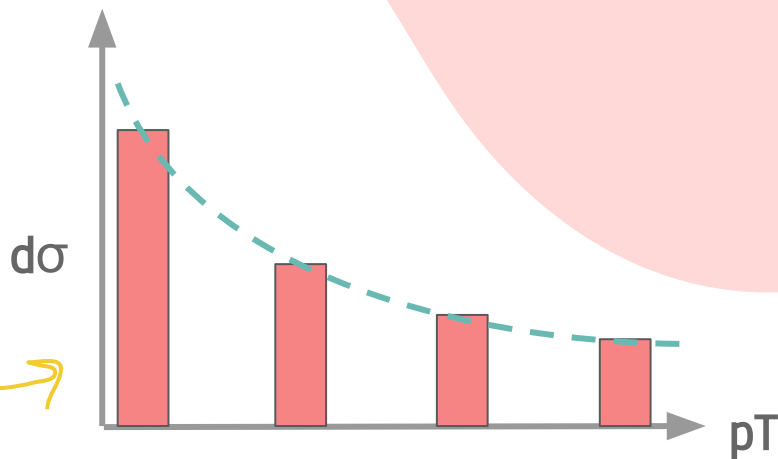
$$N = \sigma L \rightarrow \sigma = \frac{N}{L}$$

$N$  = # of events  
 $\sigma$  = cross-section  
 $L$  = luminosity

Example:

100 signals total

- 60 with pT between 20-30
- 20 with pT between 30-40
- 10 with pT between 40-50
- 10 with pT > 50



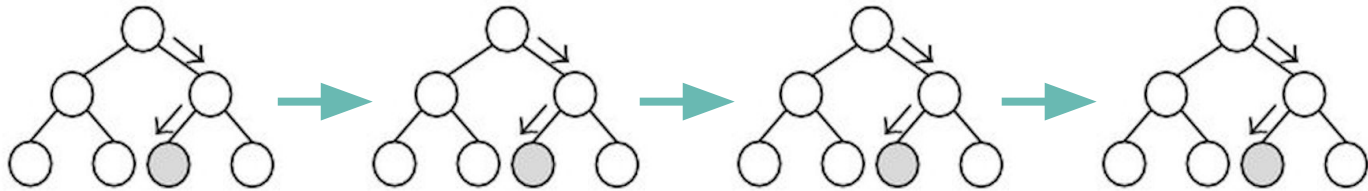
# MY PROJECT

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- I give the BDT variables and set the parameters
- It sorts the collision events
- a second code will translate the BDT results into a variable called "classifier" ranging from 1 to -1
  - -1 = most likely background
  - 1 = most likely signal
- We can cut on the classifier variable

# BOOSTED DECISION TREES

- boosted decision trees are sequential and seek to improve in the next tree what the previous tree didn't do well
- “Each successive tree uses the residuals of the previous tree”



# NOT ALL BACKGROUNDS ARE EQUAL

- 2 types of backgrounds: ones containing real photons, and ones containing 'fake' photons

## **FAKE PHOTON BACKGROUNDS**

- ZZ
- Diboson
- Zjets
- Wjets
- ttbar
- tW

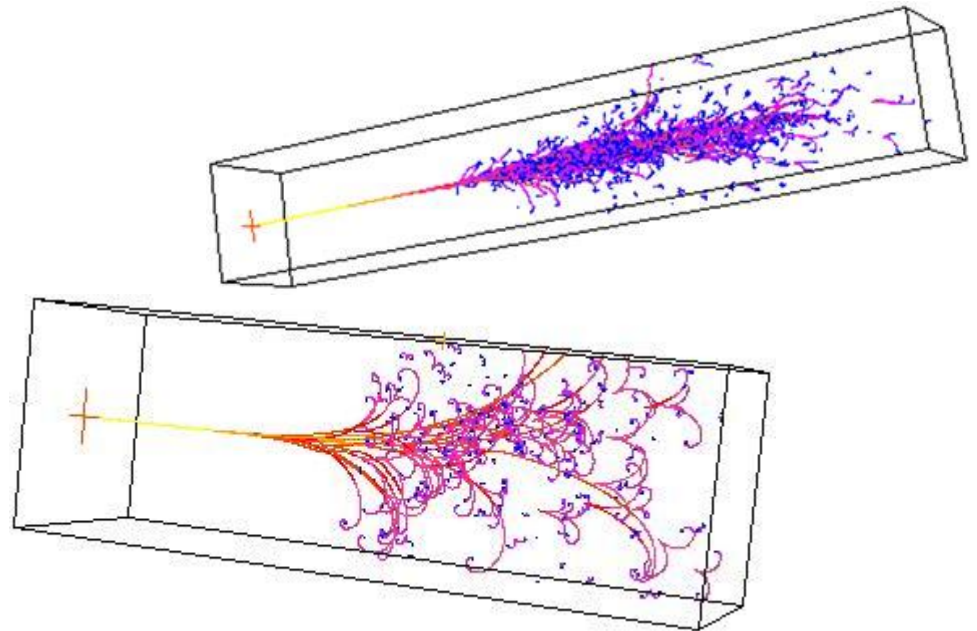
## **REAL PHOTON BACKGROUNDS**

- Wy
- tty
- Zy

# QUICK VARIABLE RUNDOWN

- Photon ID Variables:
- just various shower shapes in the calorimeter.

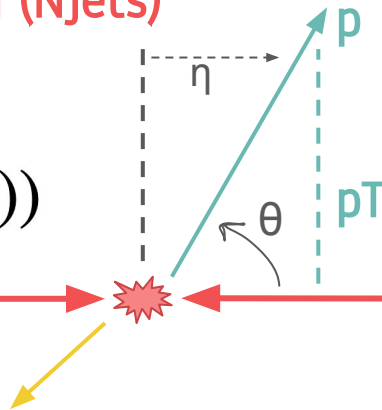
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Ph1wstot



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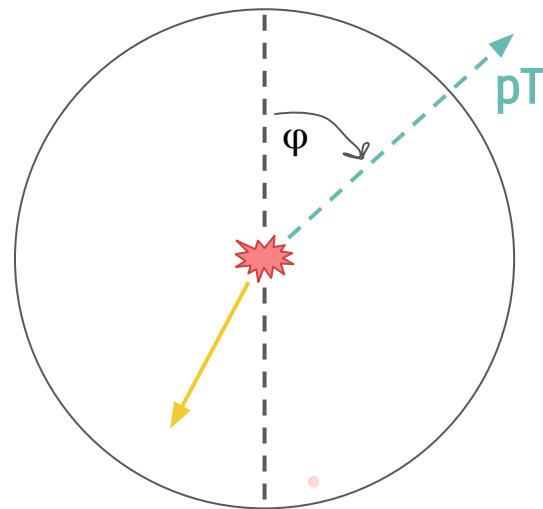
- Physics variables the detector measures:
  - missing transverse energy (MET)
  - invariant mass of the two leptons ( $m_{ll}$ )
  - Eta ( $\eta$ )
  - transverse momentum ( $p_T$ )
  - number of jets produced ( $N_{jets}$ )

$$\eta = -\ln\left(\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right)$$



$$p = \frac{p_T}{\sin\theta}$$

transverse view



beam view  
/side-view

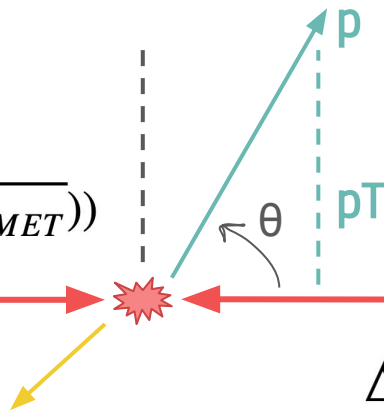


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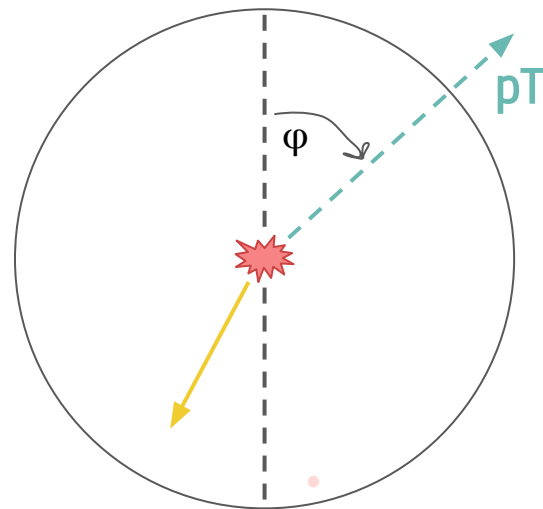
- Physics variables that are functions of others:
  - theta of each particle ( $\theta$ )
  - momentum of each lepton and the photon ( $p$ )
  - the transverse mass ( $MT$ )
  - the  $\Delta R$  between all three particles

$$MT = \sqrt{2 * pT * MET(1 - \cos(\varphi - \varphi_{MET}))}$$

beam view  
/side-view



transverse view



$$\Delta R = \sqrt{(\eta_1 - \eta_2)^2 + (\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)^2}$$

# HICCUPS ALONG THE WAY

- 1) Typos/errors in one code affecting the next code.
- 2) BDT code allowed “function” variables but the code creating our classifier variable did not.
- 3) Simple variables weren’t enough to differentiate between signal and background so the function variables had to be included somehow if we wanted results.

• Solution: repurpose the classifier variable code

# RUNNING PROCESS

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## repurposed classifier variable code

writes out all regular variables and the function variables as regular variables into a root file

## 1st BDT - over Photon ID variables

train + test over the photon ID variables

## creates classifier for Photon ID BDT

take in all variables and create new root file with new classifier0 variable included

## 2nd BDT - over Physics Variables

train + test over the physics variables

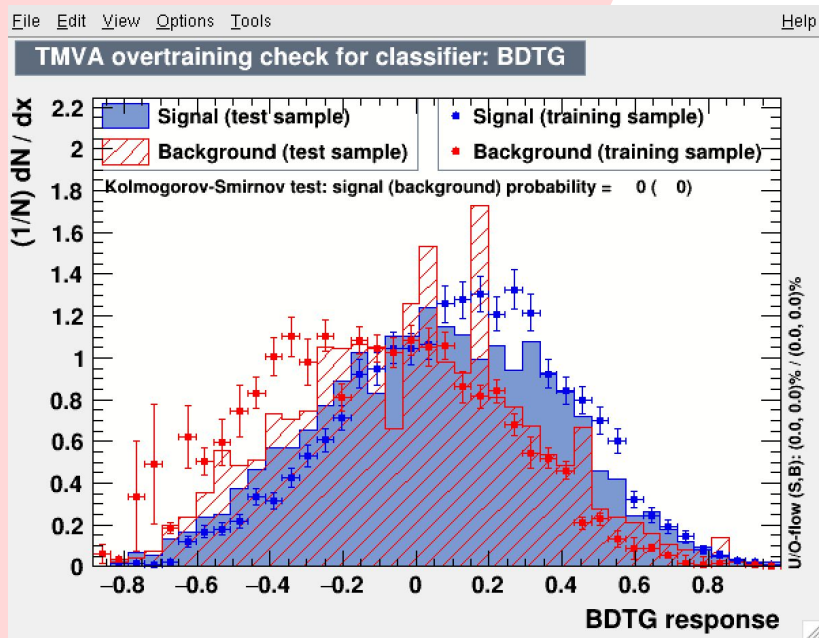
## creates classifier for Physics BDT

take in all variables and create new root file with new classifier1 variable included

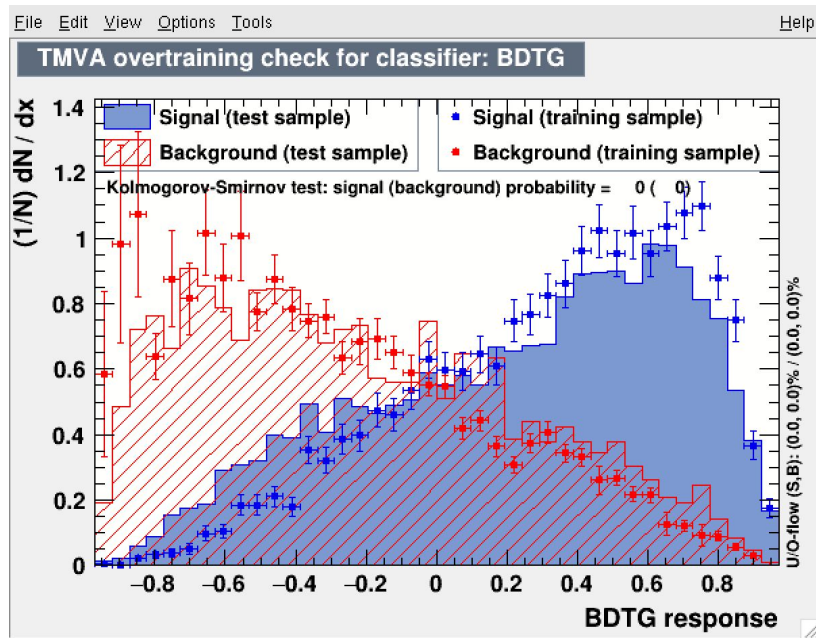
analyze results



# BDT RESULTS

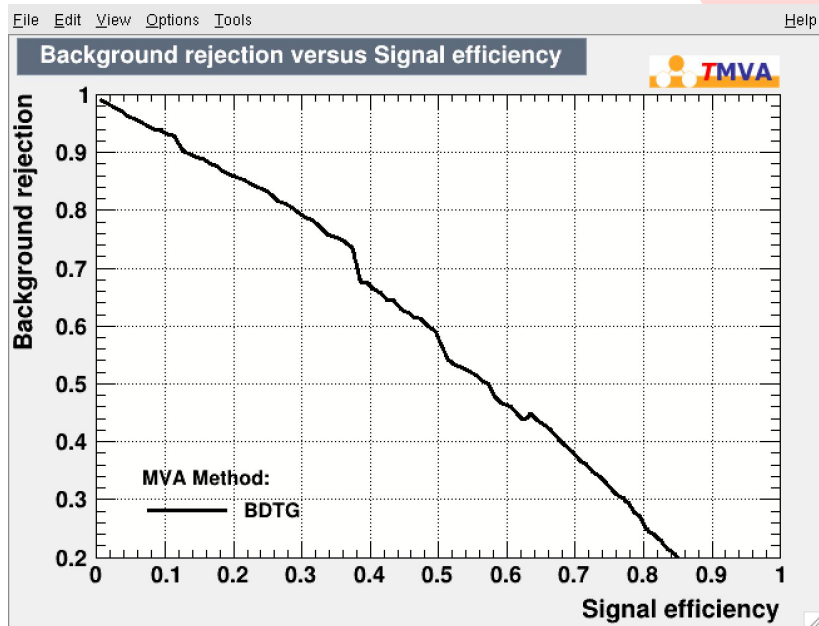


Photon ID

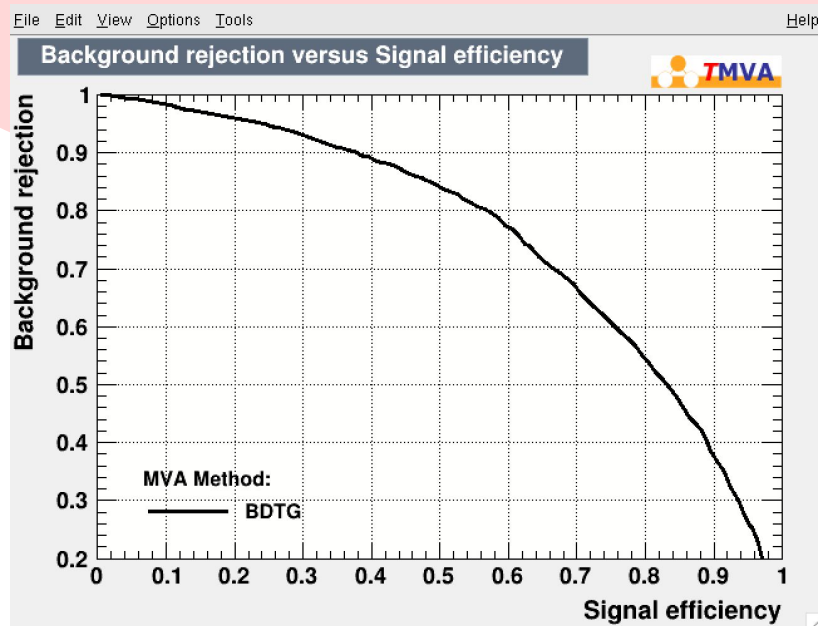


Physics

# ROC CURVES

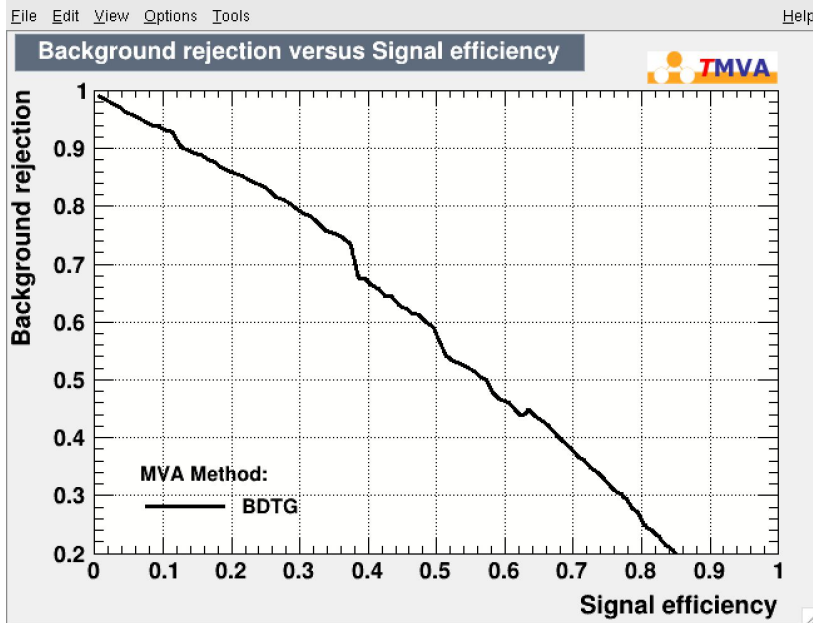


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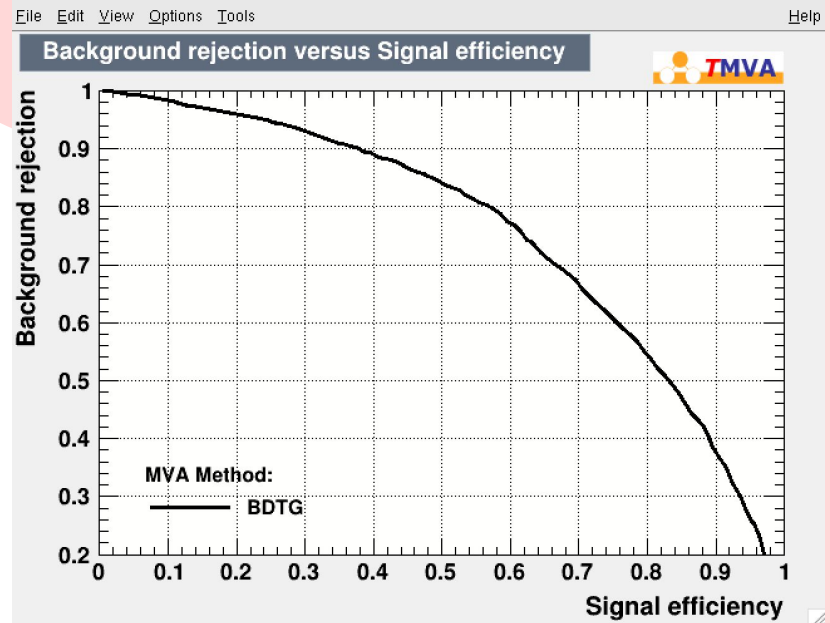
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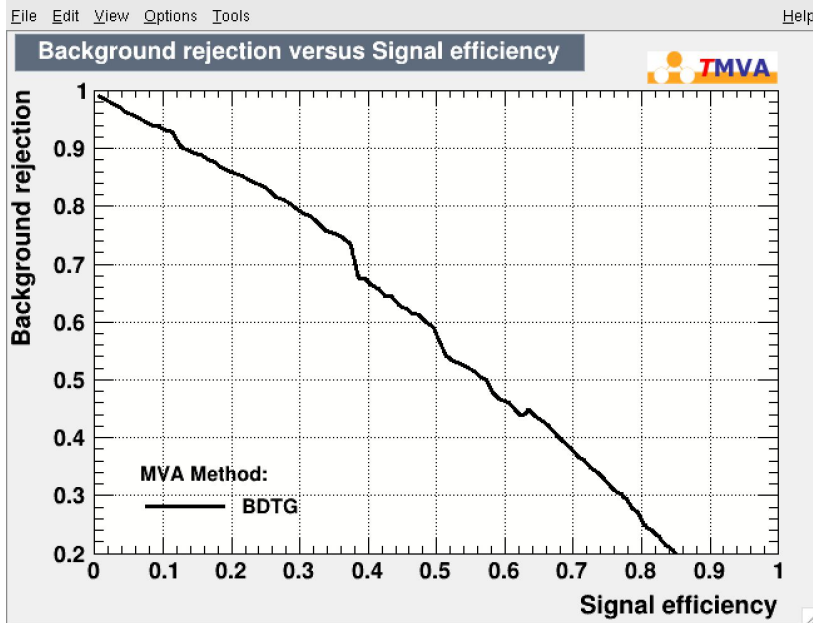
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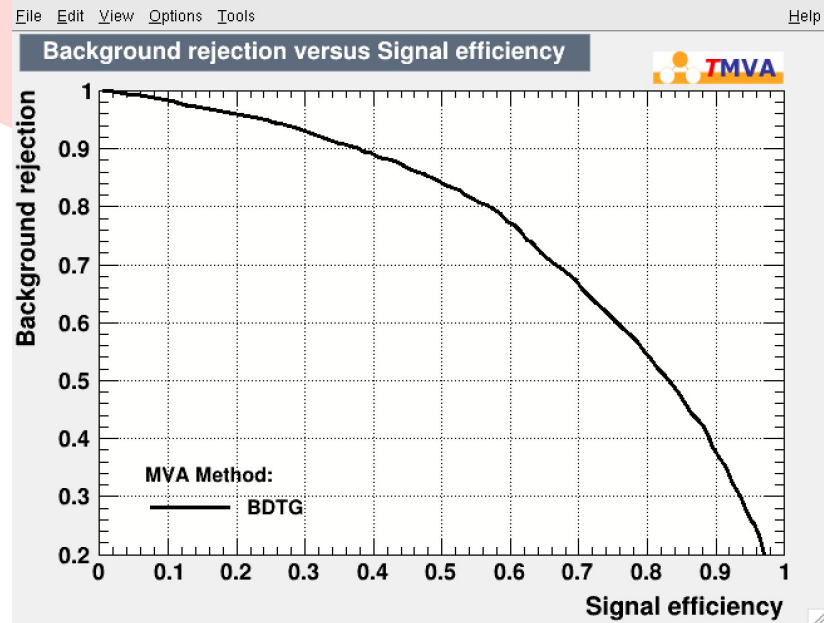
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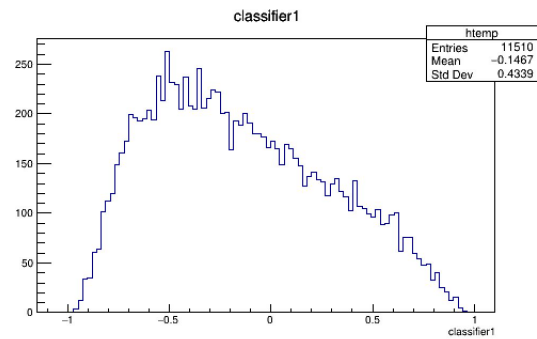
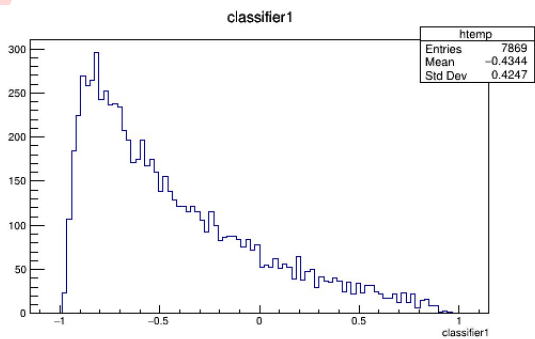
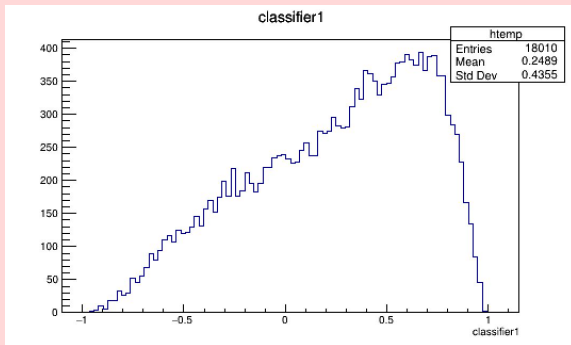
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Physics

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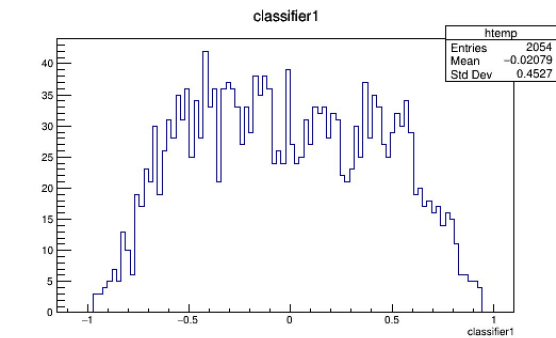
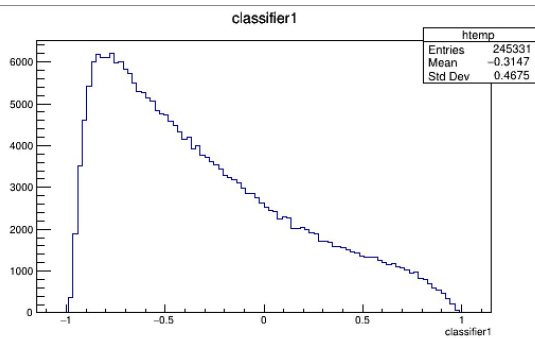
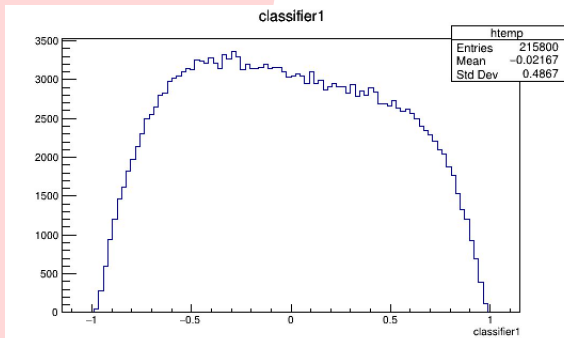
# RESULTS



WWy

ZZ

ttbar



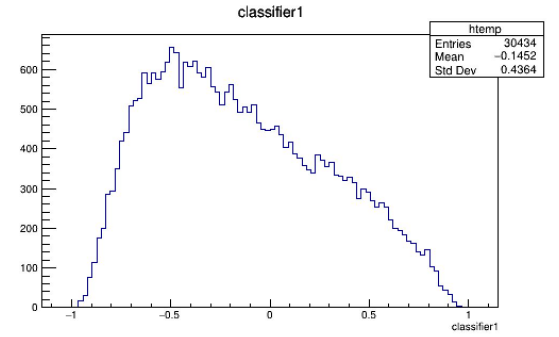
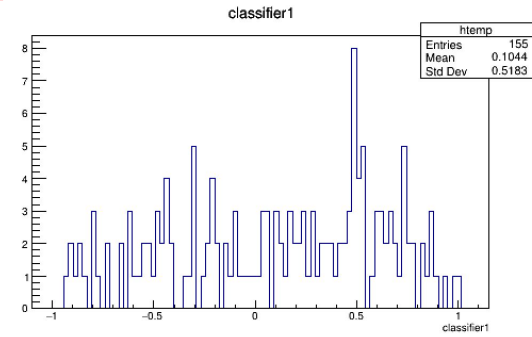
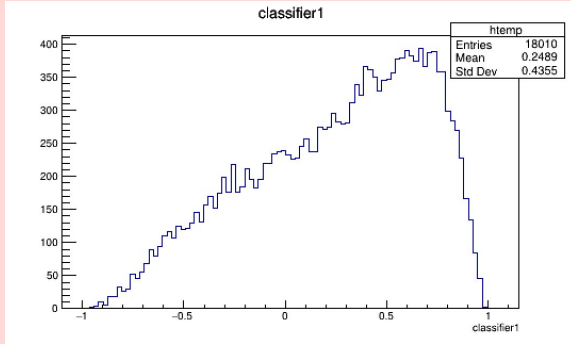
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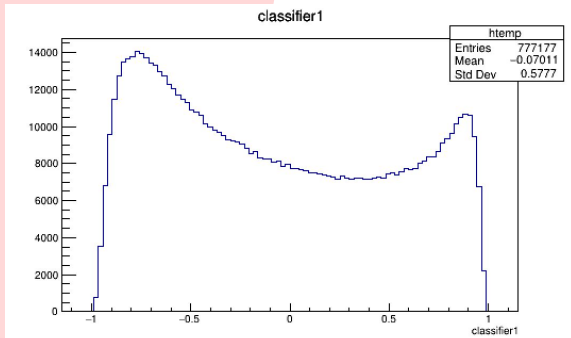
tw



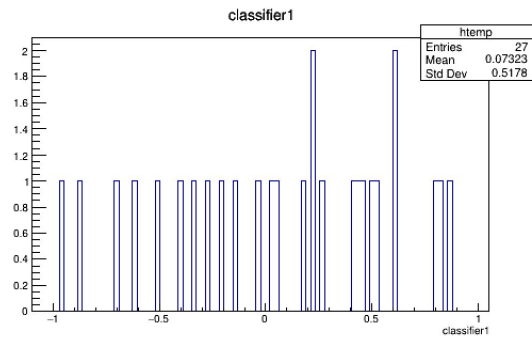
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Wwy



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## SO WHAT DID WE GAIN?

- 1) We know which variables when run through a BDT will enable us to increase the significance by 30%
- 2) Know the parameters required for this result
- 3) Know which backgrounds the BDT will most likely mistake as WWy
- 4) Have codes ready to go to run the real data through instead
  - of the Monte Carlo simulated data

# QUESTIONS?

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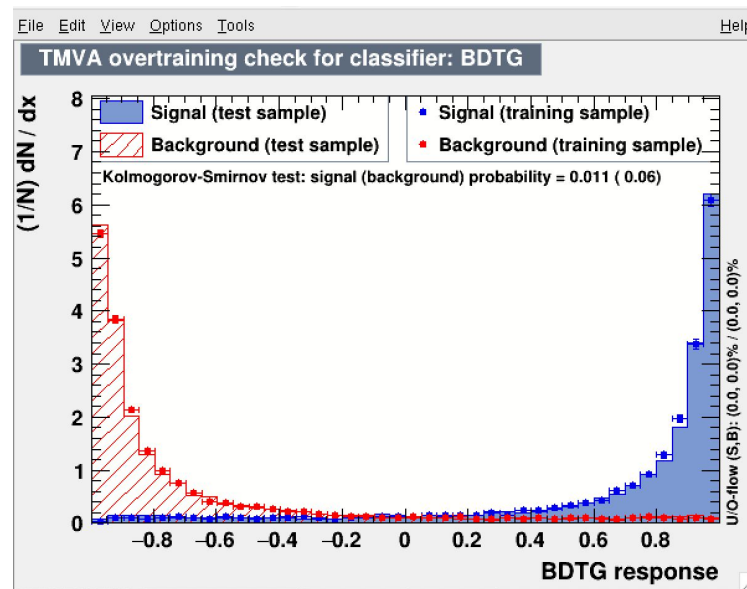
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# 1st CODE : TMVAClassification.C

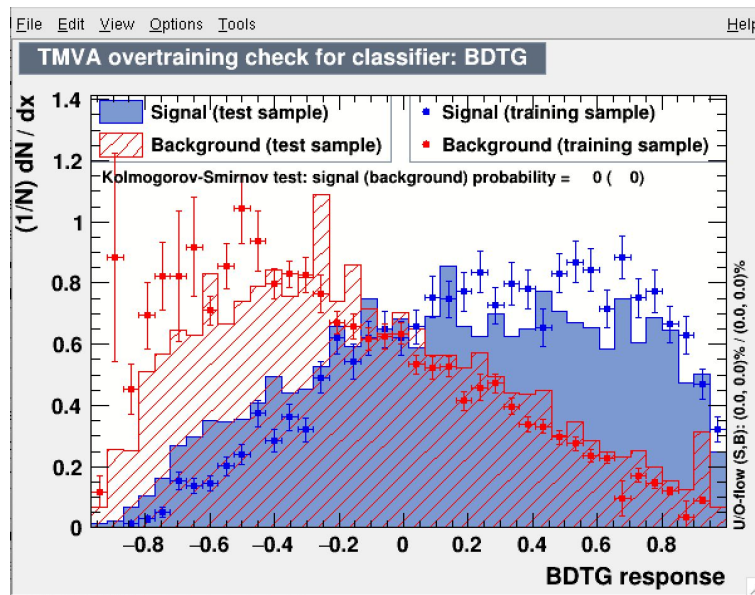
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- It hasn't been used in 2 years so had to swap out the variables for updated versions and make sure it ran.
- Eventually got it to run and had a great plot:



Blue is signal, Red is background.  
The dots are from the training and the bars are from the test.

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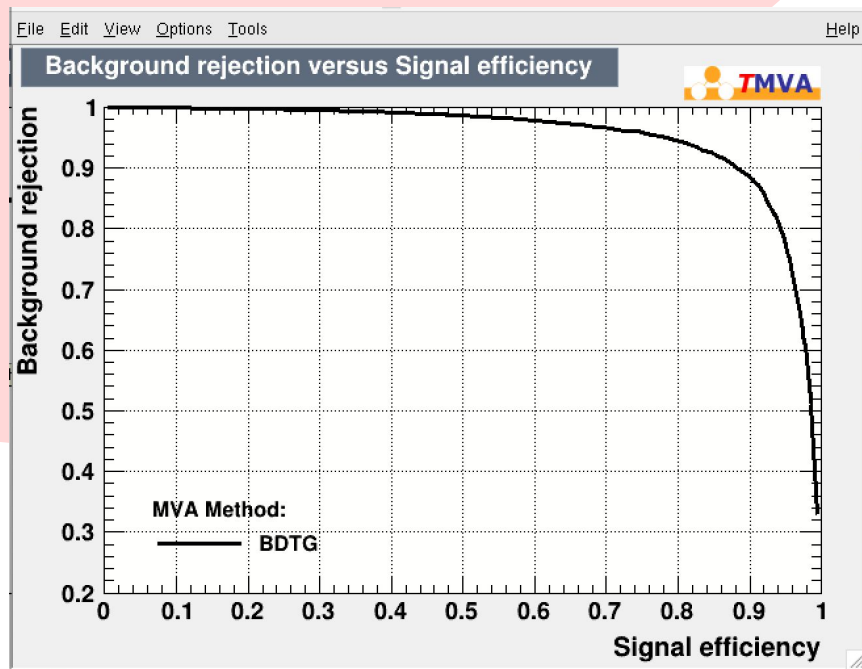
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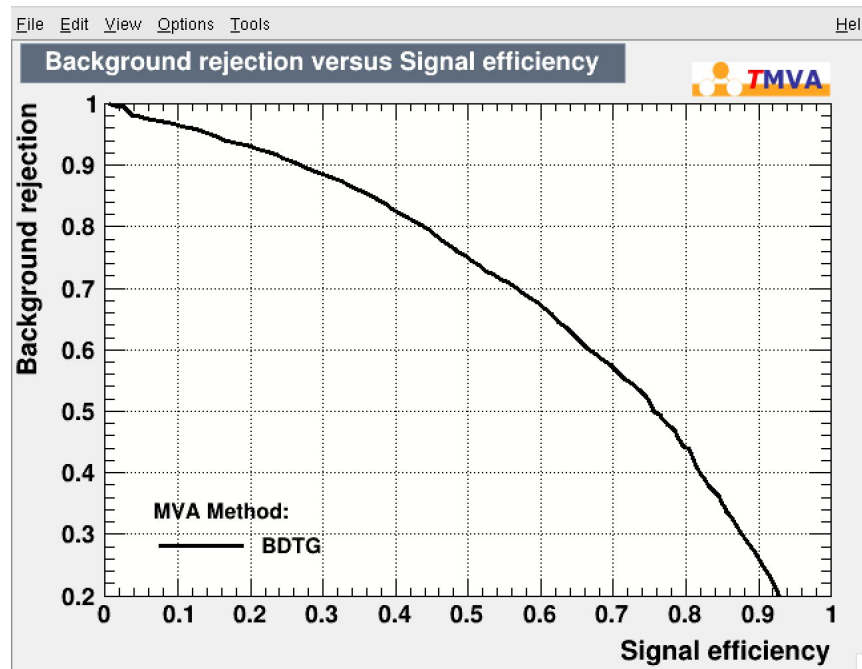
Add in cuts that there must be one electron, one muon and at least one photon:

# ROC CURVES

without cuts



with cuts



# 1st CODE : TMVAClassification.C

- What Changed?
- The size of sample was now much smaller.
- less events for the BDTG to train on therefore worse results.

## SOLUTION?

- try splitting up the BDTG into training on two sets of variables: the ones relevant to the physics and photon shower shapes; allowing it to focus on one set at a time instead of dividing its attention and doing a poor job.



## 2nd CODE : ApplicationCreateCombinedTree.C

- This code basically would just rewrite all the variables into a new .root file while also creating a new variable “classifier” which was the likelihood of an event being signal or background on a scale of -1 to 1.
- -0.9 being a high likelihood of being a background event, 0.9 being a high likelihood of being a signal event, 0 being it's equally likely to be background or signal based off the BDTG's assessment.

## 2nd CODE : ApplicationCreateCombinedTree.C

Since we split into photon ID specific variables and physics related variables and are running two BDTGs, we are actually getting two sets of classifier variables:

- classifier0 is an event's likelihood of being signal based off the photon ID variables.
- classifier1 is an event's likelihood of being signal based off the physics variables.

# MY PROJECT

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- Using Boosted Decision Trees (BDTs) to increase  $\sigma$
- TMVA: Toolkit for Multivariate Data Analysis
- **Multivariate Analysis** = analysis that takes into account multiple measurements made on each experimental unit and the relations among those measurements.