

Simulation-based discriminative learning

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Discriminative learning

- Simulate $D = \{\mathbf{x}_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^n$
 - $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$: observation vector
 - $y \in \{1, \dots, K\}$: label

- Examples

- \mathbf{x} : tank observables, y : number of muons
- \mathbf{x} : images or films on the focal plane, y : shower / background
- \mathbf{x} : ATLAS observables, y : Higgs / background

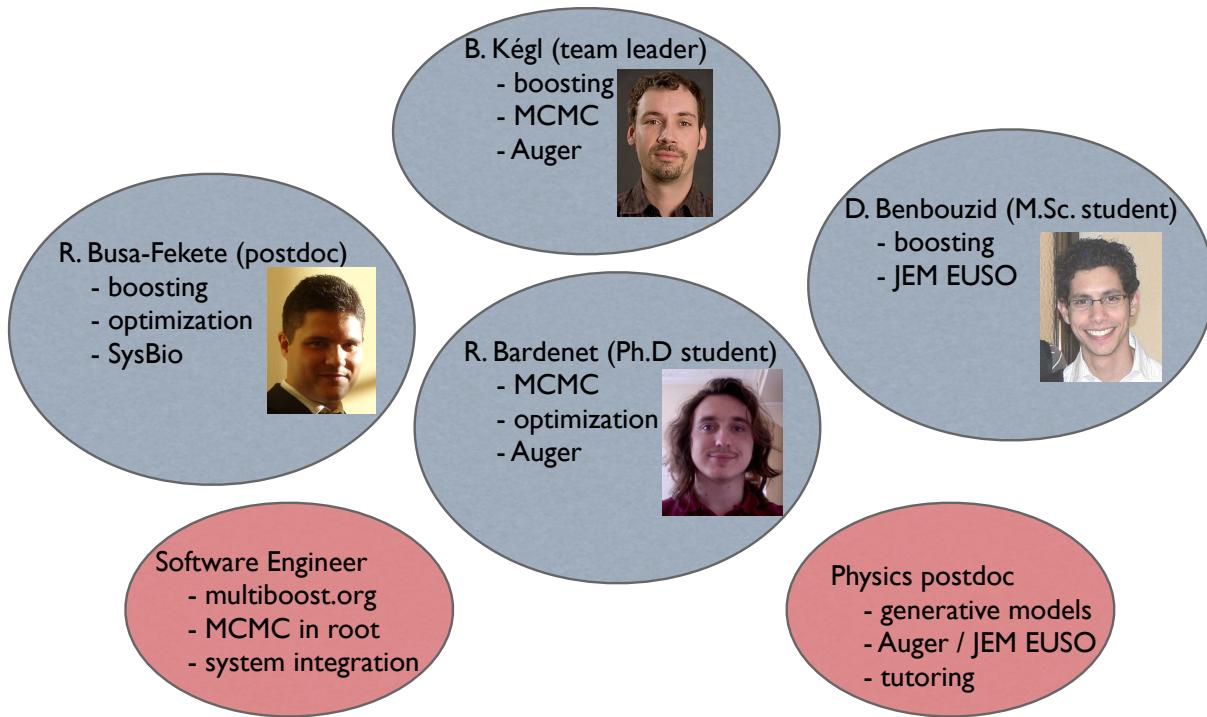
Discriminative learning

- Goal: learn $\hat{y} = f(\mathbf{x})$ based on $D = \{\mathbf{x}_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^n$
 - minimize $\mathbb{P}\{f(\mathbf{x}) \neq y | D\}$
 - off-line analysis (reconstruction), on-line trigger, hypothesis testing
- Why AdaBoost?
 - we have the expertise
 - scales well for large problems
 - versatility (multiclass, non-differentiable weak learners)

Discriminative learning

- Research goals
 - large-scale issues (speed, memory, automatic hyperparameter optimization)
 - beyond classification (ranking, regression, conditional random fields, reinforcement learning)
 - unbalanced data: cascade architecture, Neyman-Pearson learning
- Deliverable
 - modular AdaBoost software (multiboost.org)

The AppStat team at LAL



- + M. Sebag and C. Germain (TAO/LRI)
- Formal ties to the **TAO**, **Auger** and **JEM-EUSO** teams