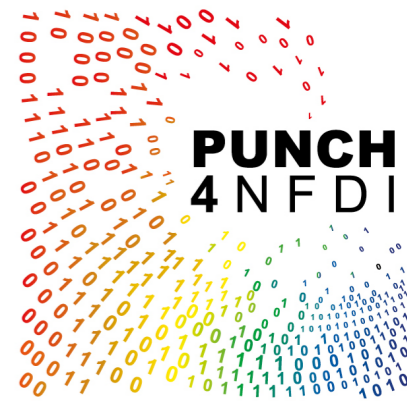




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# Machine Learning based Unfolding to reduce noise on lattice QCD observables

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# Outline

- I. Proposed solution : Machine Learning based unfolding
- II. The problem : Noisy trace estimation with few sources
- III. Distribution of noise vectors and their correlations
- IV. The method applied to mock matrices data
- V. Using lattice data
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# Machine Learning based Unfolding I

- ▶ Unfolding : Inversion problem aimed at getting *genuine physics* data from *measured smeared* data

$$X_{observed} = P \circledast Y_{true}$$

1. Identify  $P^{-1}$  for given  $(x_i, y_i)$

2. Apply  $P^{-1} X_i$  to get  $Y_i$

- ▶ Used extensively in particle physics experiments to de-correlate *detector defects* from measurements
- ▶ Both ML and non-ML (IBU, TUnfold, SVD ...) algorithms exist for data unfolding
- ▶ Main advantage of ML based unfolding : *no binning of data required!*

*check out for a recent overview*



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## The Landscape of Unfolding with Machine Learning

Nathan Huetsch<sup>1</sup>, Javier Mariño Villadamigo<sup>1</sup>, Alexander Shmakov<sup>2</sup>, Sascha Diefenbacher<sup>3</sup>,  
Vinicius Mikuni<sup>3</sup>, Theo Heimel<sup>1</sup>, Michael Fenton<sup>2</sup>, Kevin Greif<sup>2</sup>,  
Benjamin Nachman<sup>3,4</sup>, Daniel Whiteson<sup>2</sup>, Anja Butter<sup>1,5</sup>, and Tilman Plehn<sup>1,6</sup>

# Machine Learning based Unfolding II

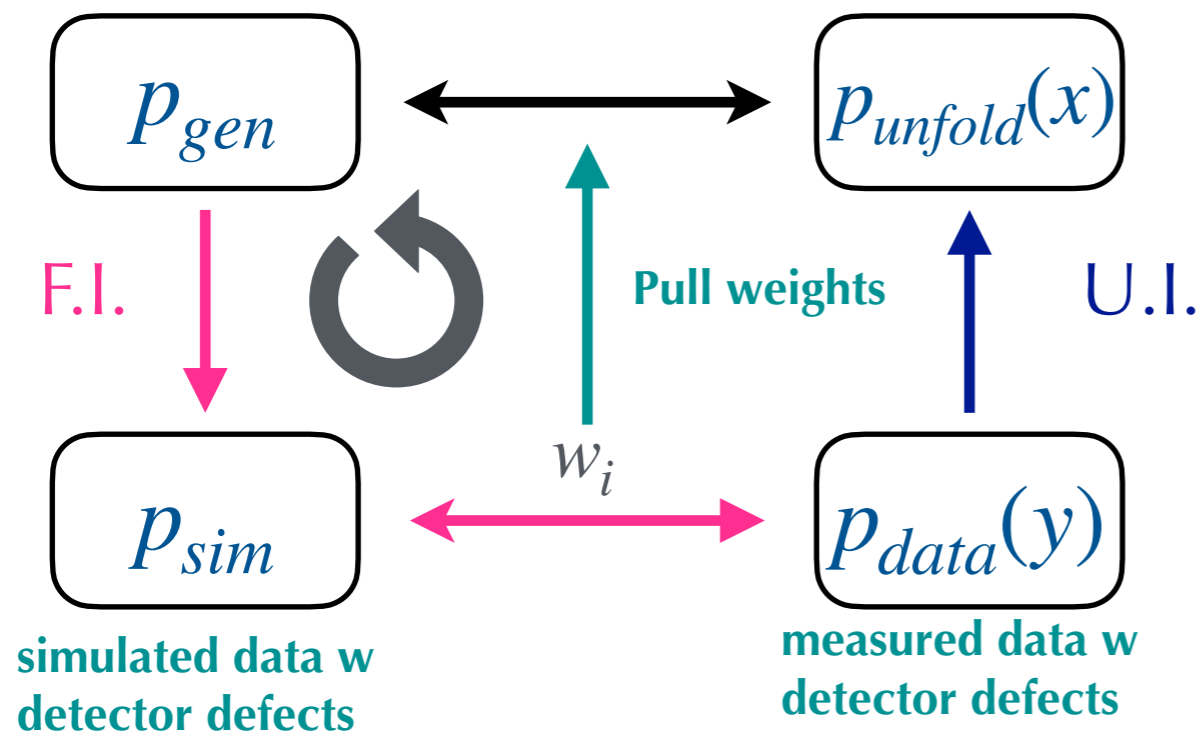
## I. Re-weighting approach

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OmniFold: A Method to Simultaneously Unfold All Observables

Anders Andreassen<sup>1,2,3,\*</sup>, Patrick T. Komiske<sup>4,†</sup>, Eric M. Metodiev<sup>4,‡</sup>, Benjamin Nachman<sup>2,§</sup> and Jesse Thaler<sup>4,||</sup>

simulated phys. data w/o



► The final goal :

$$P_{unfold}^{(n)}(x) = w_n \otimes P_{gen}(x)$$

## II. Generative approach

- Two popular methods - Schrödinger bridges and Direct Diffusion

Improving Generative Model-based Unfolding with Schrödinger Bridges

Sascha Diefenbacher<sup>1,\*</sup>, Guan-Hong Liu<sup>2,†</sup>, Vinicius Mikuni<sup>3,‡</sup>, Benjamin Nachman<sup>1,4,§</sup> and Weili Nie<sup>5,¶</sup>

Kicking it Off(-shell) with Direct Diffusion

Anja Butter<sup>1,3</sup>, Tomáš Ježo<sup>2</sup>, Michael Klasen<sup>2</sup>, Mathias Kuschick<sup>2</sup>, Sofia Palacios Schweitzer<sup>1</sup>, and Tilman Plehn<sup>1</sup>

- Both of these methods aim to morph one non-trivial distribution  $P_{gen}$  to another  $P_{sim}$  via SDE and ODE respectively
- Apply the map to  $P_{data}(y)$  to get  $P_{unfold}(x)$

# Lattice observables via trace estimation

- ▶ Observables in lattice QCD calculations can often be expressed as derivatives

of  $\ln Z$ , e.g. quark number density : 
$$\frac{\partial \ln \det M_f}{\partial \mu_f} = \text{Tr} \left( M_f^{-1} \frac{\partial M_f}{\partial \mu_f} \right)$$

- ▶ Typical size of Fermion matrices :  $N_\sigma^3 \times N_\tau \times N_c \times 4$  , can go up to  $\sim O(10^7 - 10^9)$

- ▶ *Estimating* the trace of the *inverse* of such large matrices is only accessible through “random noise method” that requires drawing random vectors  $\eta_i^n$  ( $i^{\text{th}}$  component of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  vector) which satisfy

$$\langle \eta_i \rangle = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{L} \sum_{m=1}^L \eta_i^m = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \eta_i \eta_j \rangle = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{L} \sum_{m=1}^L \eta_i^m \eta_j^m = \delta_{ij}$$





# Can Machine Learning help ?

- ▶ The idea to reduce the number noise vectors to estimate the trace using *machine learnt probe vectors* is not new

around for a while (2016) and not implemented in any real lattice calculation yet



## Estimation of matrix trace using machine learning

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### Abstract

We present a new trace estimator of the matrix whose explicit form is not given but its matrix multiplication to a vector is available. The form of the estimator is similar to the Hutchison stochastic trace estimator, but instead of the random noise vectors in Hutchison estimator, we use small number of probing vectors determined by machine learning. Evaluation of the quality of estimates and bias correction are discussed. An unbiased estimator is proposed for the calculation of the expectation value of a function of traces. In the numerical experiments with random matrices, it is shown that the precision of trace estimates with  $\mathcal{O}(10)$  probing vectors determined by the machine learning is similar to that with  $\mathcal{O}(10000)$  random noise vectors.

and the talk on Monday by B. Choi @ 11.15

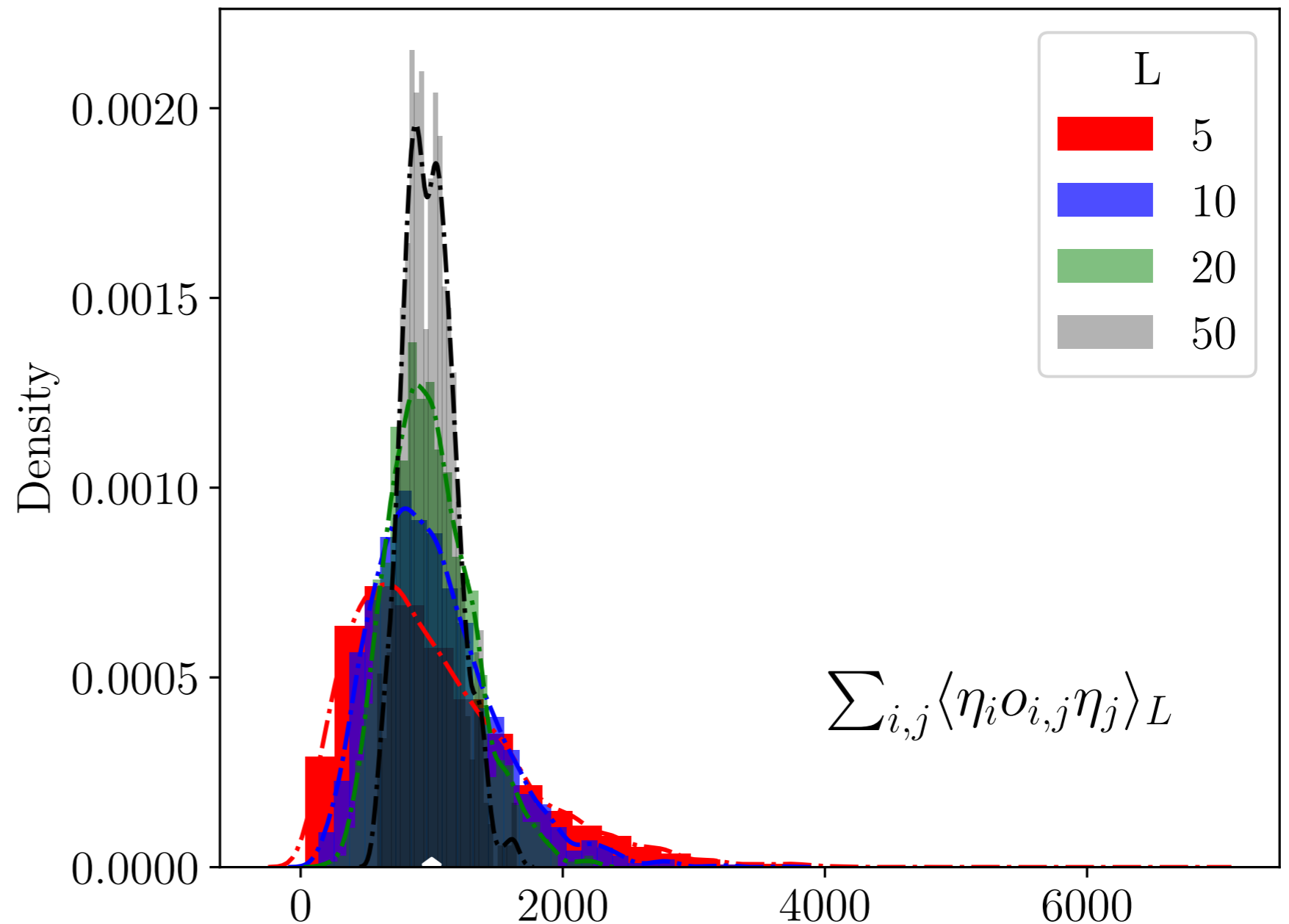
- ▶ The idea of this project was to look at the distributions of traces with varying number of sources - in the hope of training a NN to *unlearn* the effect of small number of random vectors

$$\langle \eta^T M \eta \rangle_{L_1} = f_{L_1, L_2} \otimes \langle \eta^T M \eta \rangle_{L_2} \quad \text{when} \quad L_1 < L_2$$

# Distribution of random vectors & correlations

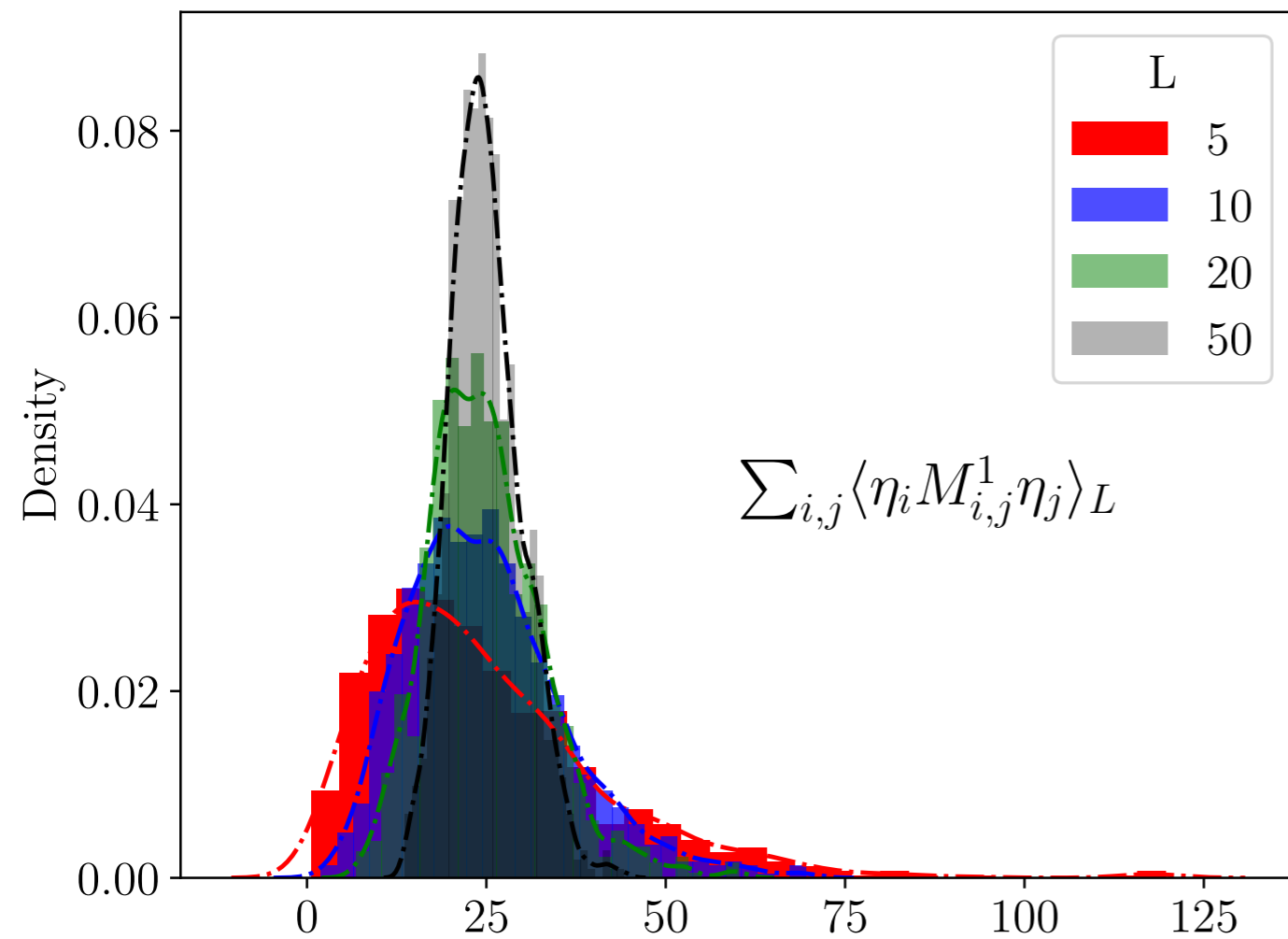
- ▶ **Observation I** : Distributions change with  $L$  *non-trivially* and depend on the random sources rather than matrix structure

distribution of random vectors as applied to a 1000 by 1000 matrix of all ones

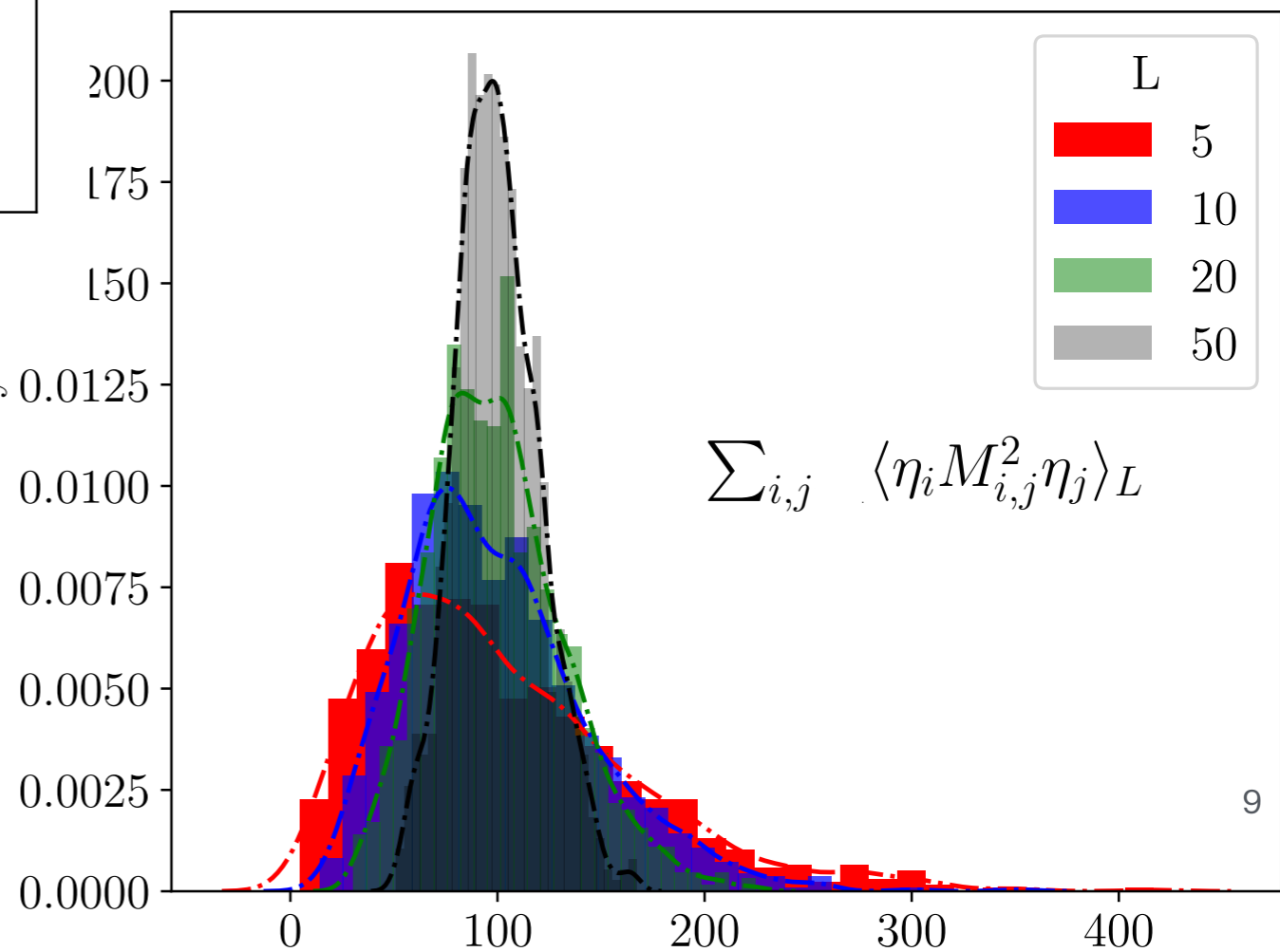




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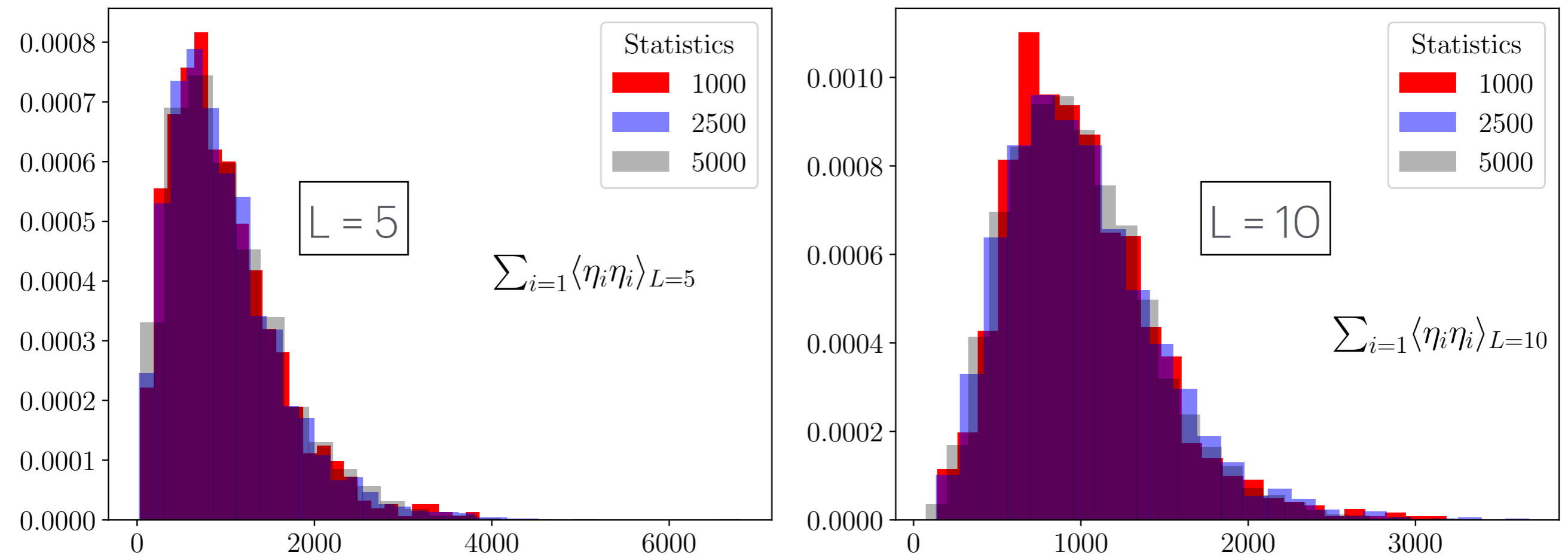
normal distr. , 1000 by 1000, dense matrix



poisson distr. , 1000 by 1000, sparse matrix

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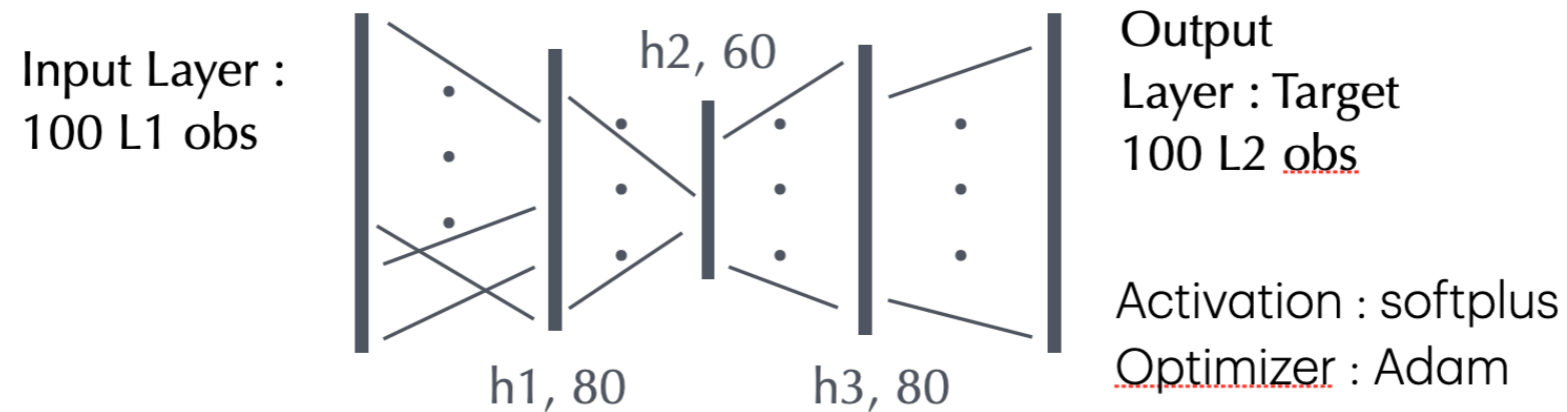
- ▶ **Observation II** : Distributions differ for different  $L$  - *not an artefact of low statistics !*



- ▶ As  $L$  increases, skewness decreases and binder cumulant increases

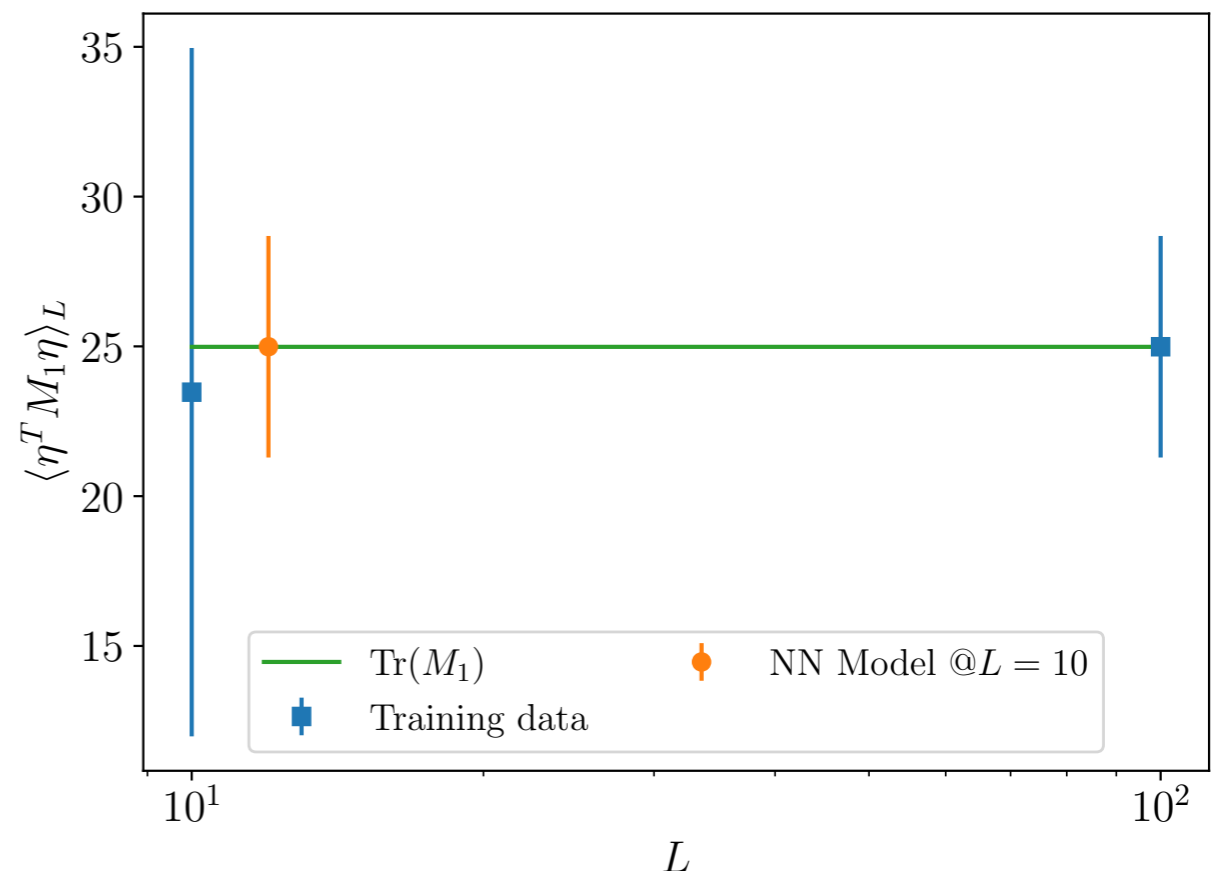
# Results for mock matrices I

- ▶ A simple fully connected, network with 3 hidden layers



- ▶ Training : Iteratively update the network parameters to minimize the difference  $\| A_{L1} - L2 \|$  to learn A

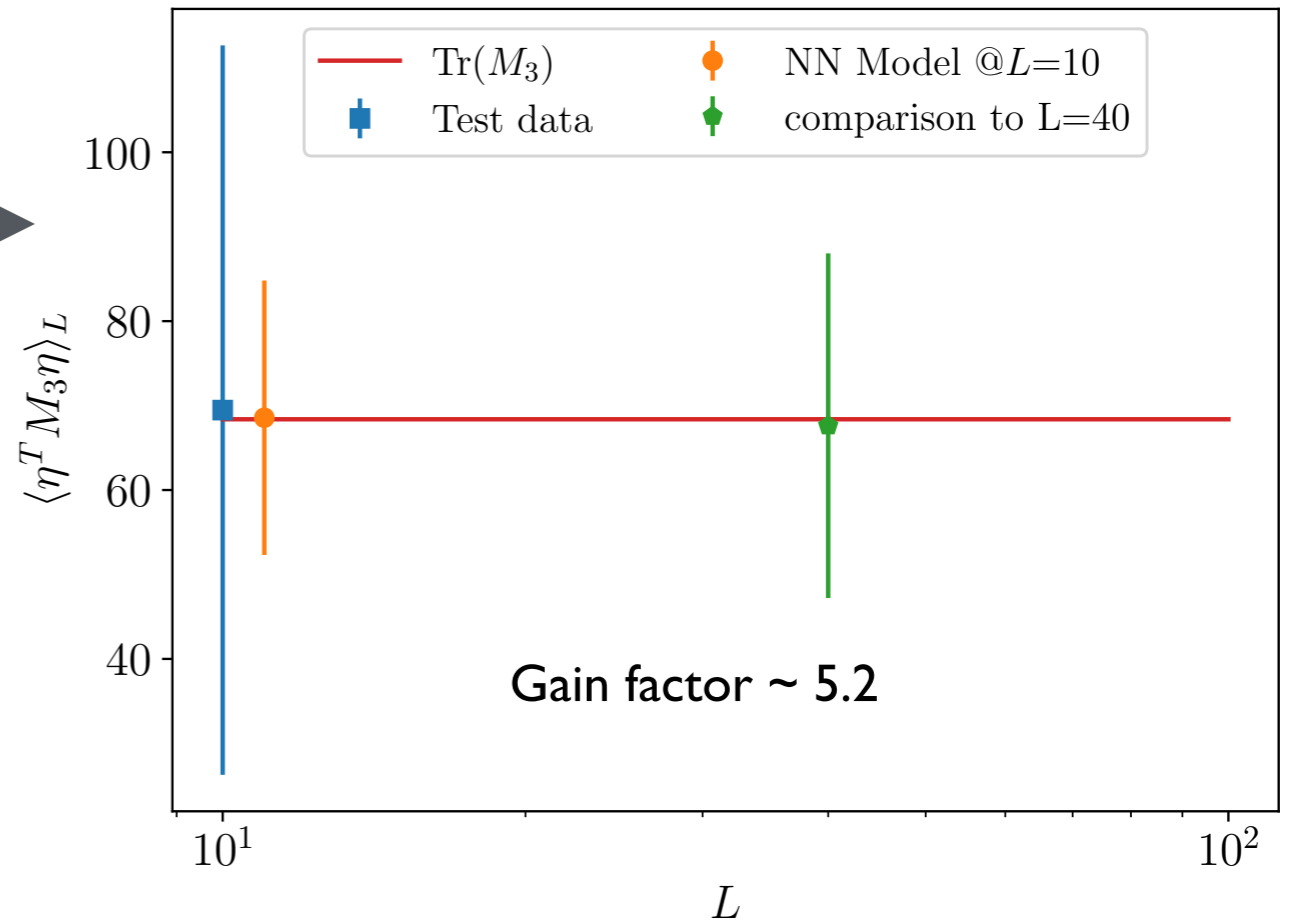
$M_1$  : A dense 1K by 1K matrix with elements drawn from a gaussian



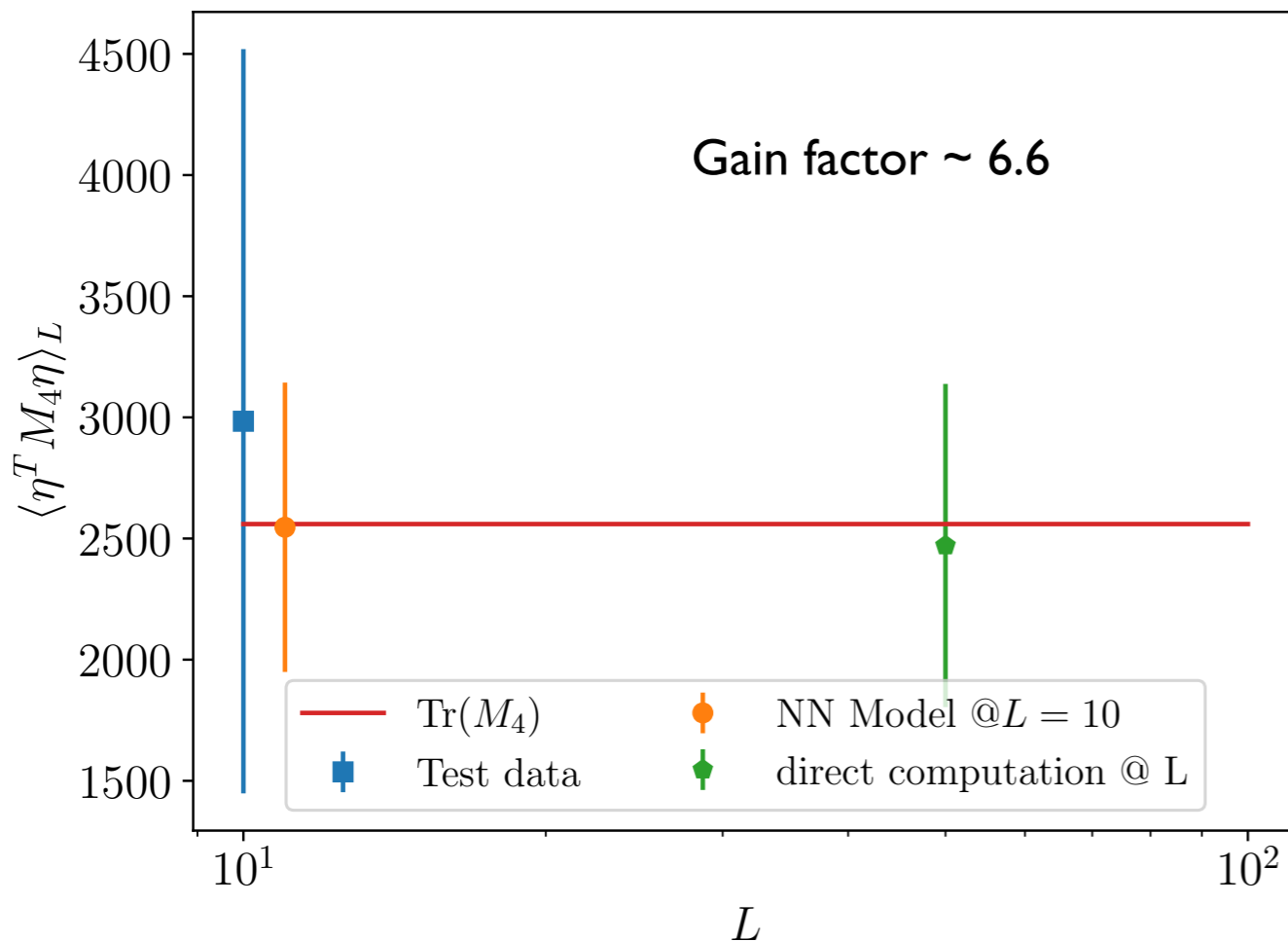
# Results for mock matrices II

- ▶ The same model applied to other matrices or different structures and sizes

$M_3$  : A sparse 1000 by 1000 matrix with elements drawn from a poisson distribution



Gain factor ~ 5.2



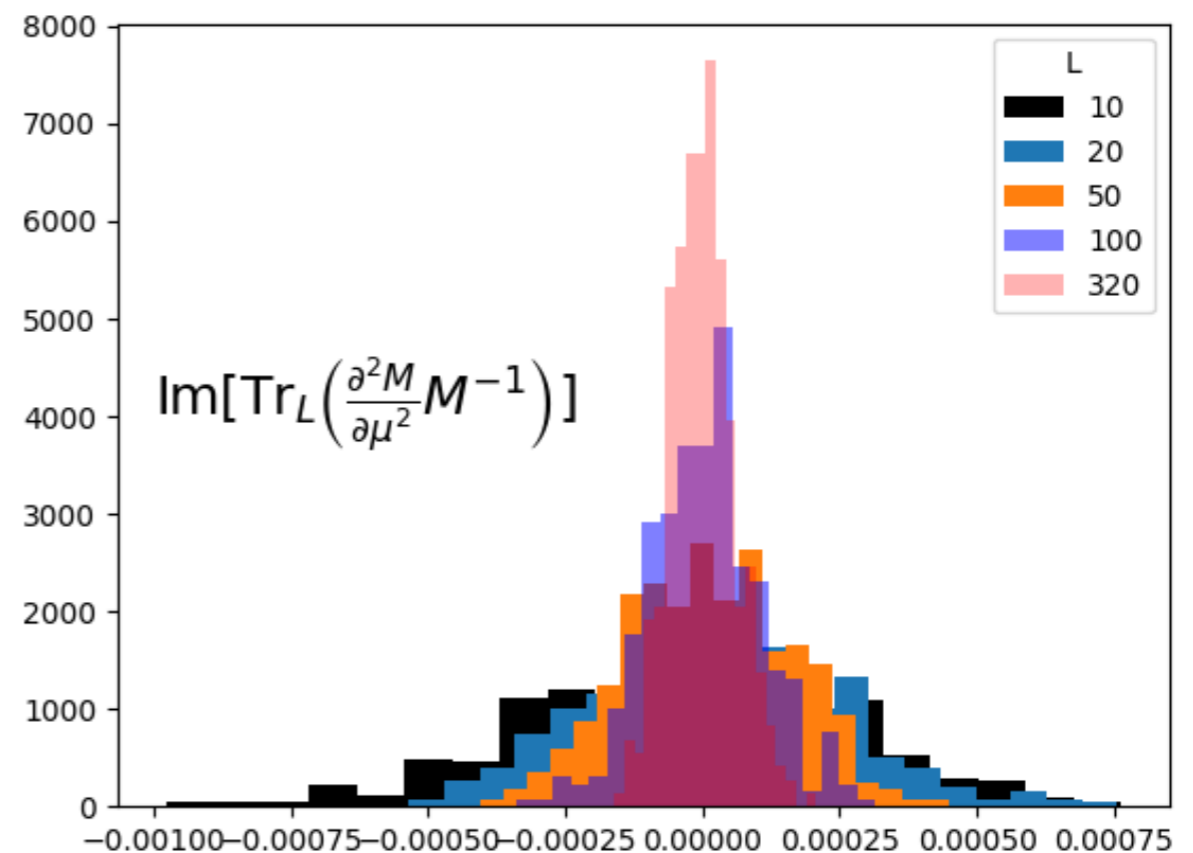
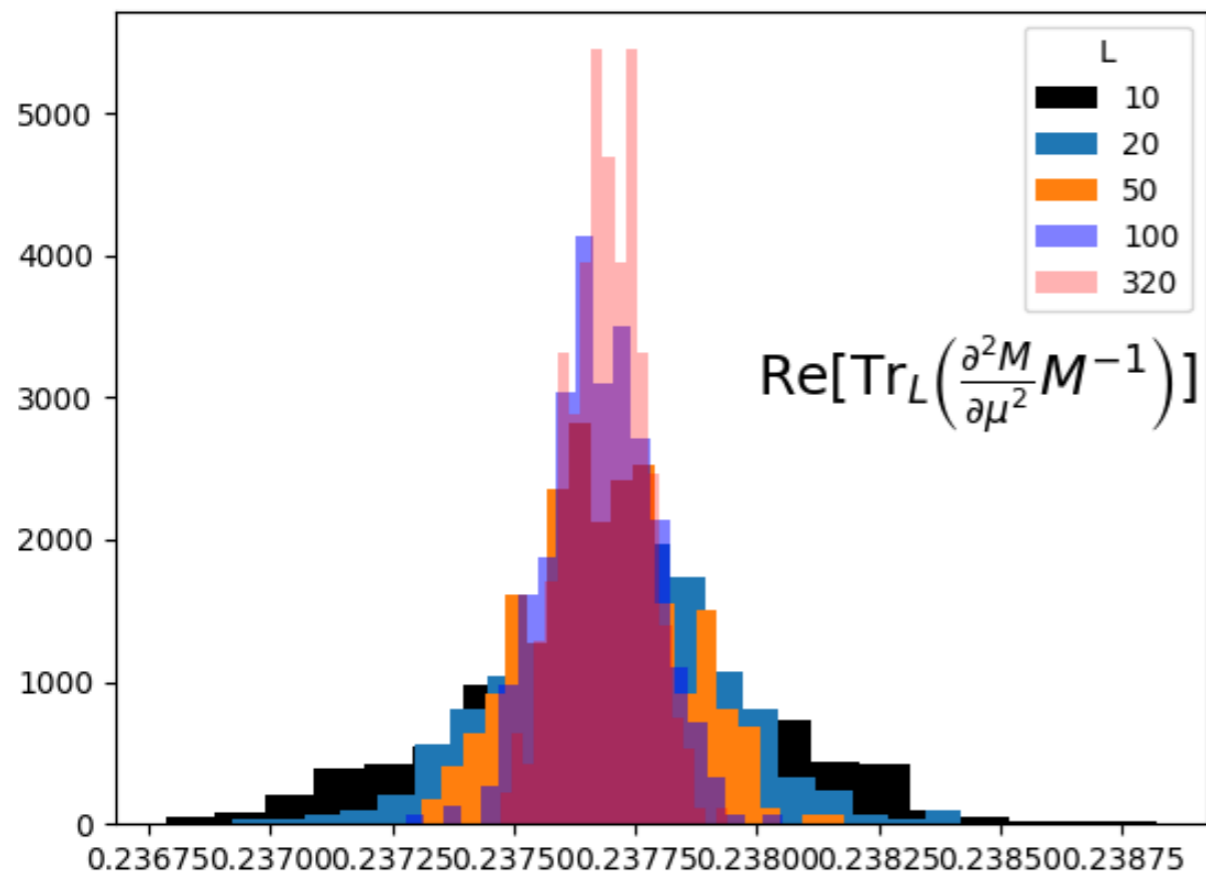
Gain factor ~ 6.6

$M_4$  : A sparse 10K by 10K matrix with elements drawn from a gaussian



# Lattice data : What happens here?

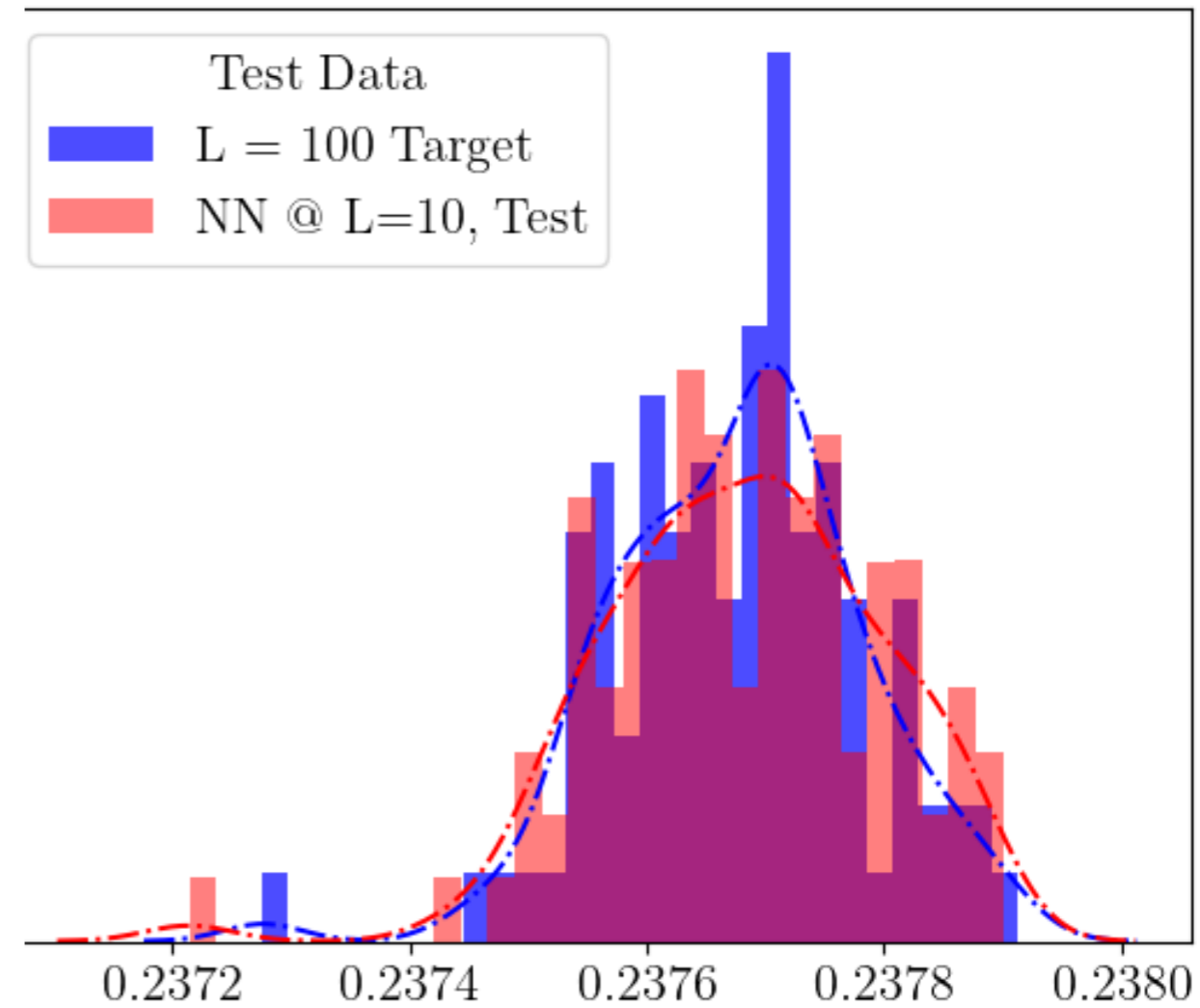
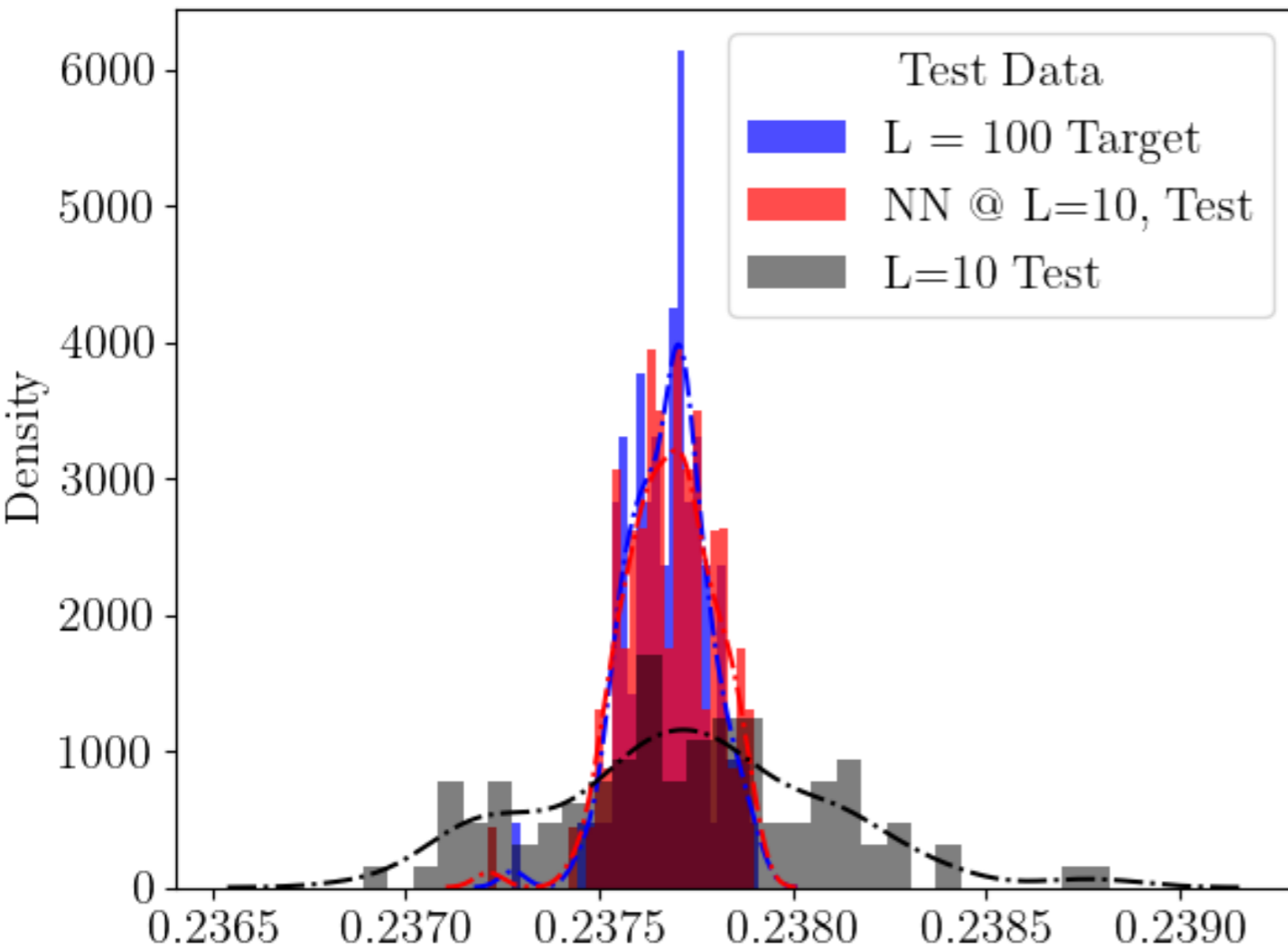
- ▶ To apply this to lattice we need data in the form of various independent sets of measurements for different number of random sources
- ▶ Using data from our (Bielefeld - Parma collaboration ) recent imaginary  $\mu$  simulations [[arXiv:2405.10196](https://arxiv.org/abs/2405.10196)] **Complex  $\mu \rightarrow$  complex traces !**
- ▶ Can we spilt the analysis into real and imaginary parts of observables - since Trace and  $\mathbb{E}$  are linear operation?





# Lattice data : What happens here?

- ▶ Although distributions not like mock data - low statistics and/or no fixed matrix?
- ▶ What does the model learn?



# Summary

- ▶ Invitation to consider the well-developed Unfolding algorithms developed by the experimental community to lattice problems like inversion
- ▶ Motivate the problem of trace estimation as a “detector defect” problem that can be unfolded
- ▶ Some success on mock matrix data
- ▶ Lattice : There is no fixed matrix - as each gauge configuration has statistical fluctuations. This adds a dimension of complexity not present in the mock data
- ▶ Can one think of other ways to improve the Hutchinson trace estimator?

A BOUND FOR THE ERROR IN THE  
NORMAL APPROXIMATION TO THE  
DISTRIBUTION OF A SUM OF  
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- ▶ Data from other projects very welcome