

EPiC-Iy Fast Particle Cloud Generation with Flow Matching and Diffusion

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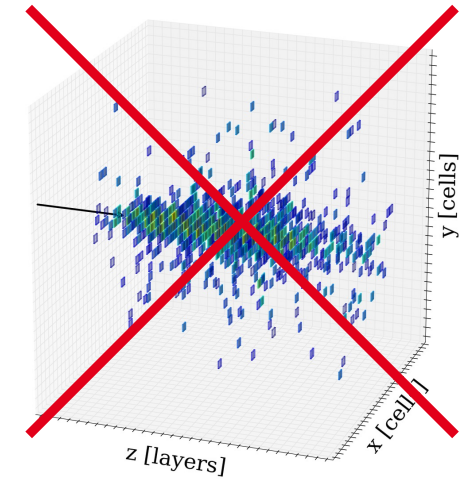
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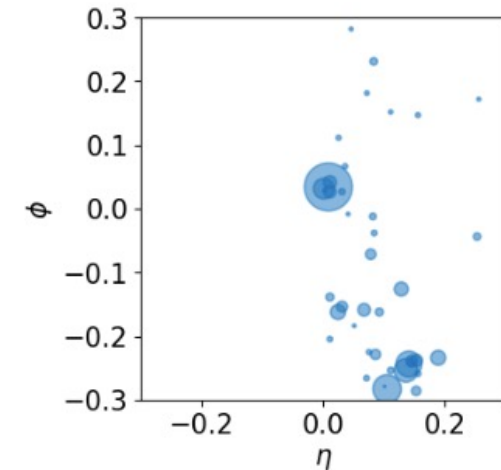
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Generative Simulation in Particle Physics

- Monte Carlo Simulations are time-consuming
- Generative machine learning
 - Train on a small dataset
 - Sample from model
 - Significantly faster
 - More data
- Goal: Move from image structures to point clouds
- Point clouds: natural representation for many systems
 - Unordered
 - Variable set cardinalities
- Simulation of jets
 - Complex structure
 - Good for benchmarking generative models



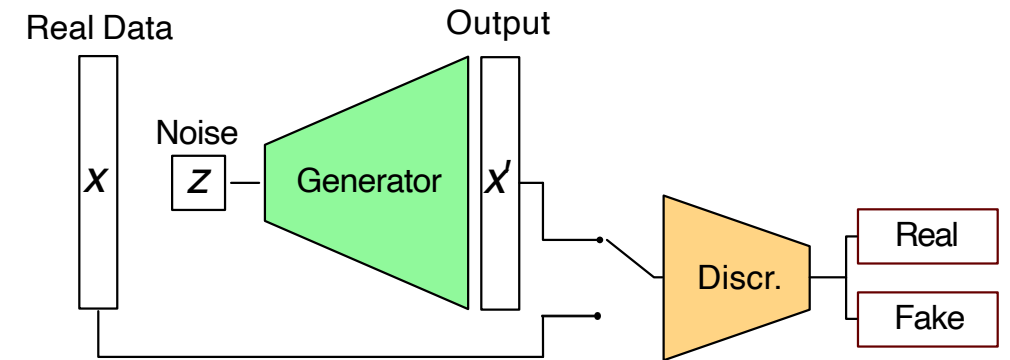
Photon Shower in a Calorimeter



Pythia Generated Top Quark Jet

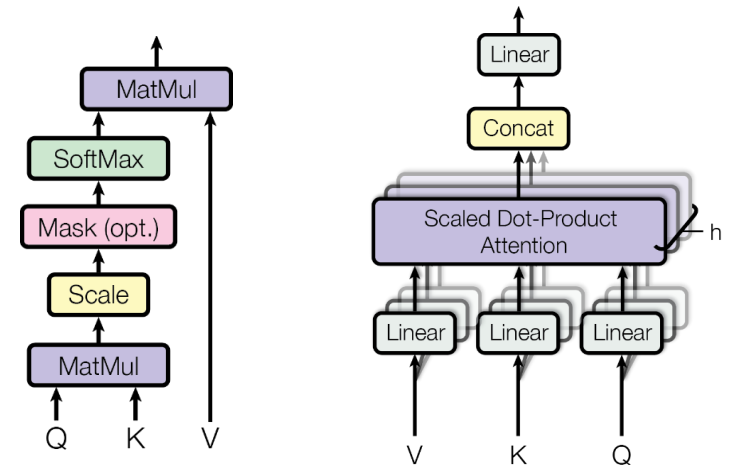
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 - Handle variable set cardinalities
- Previous approaches:
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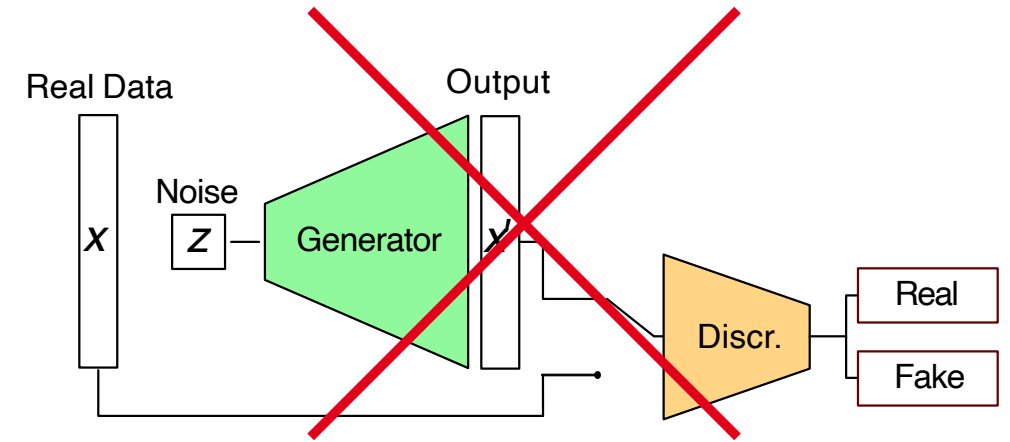
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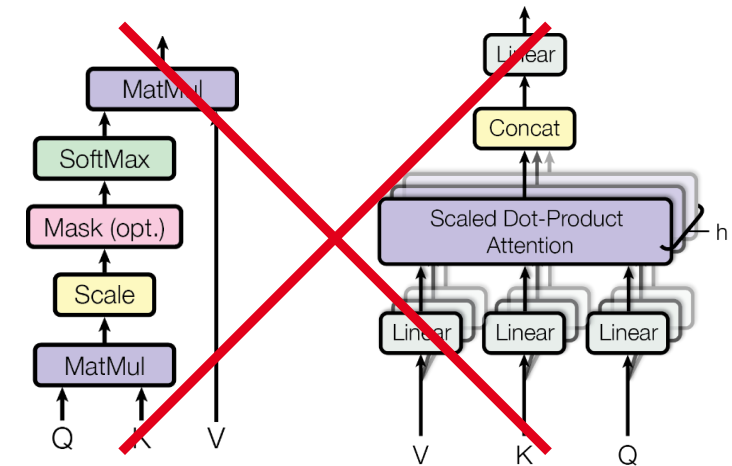
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- Combine powerful diffusion objective with more scalable and fast EPiC layers
- Compare to flow-based Flow Matching objective



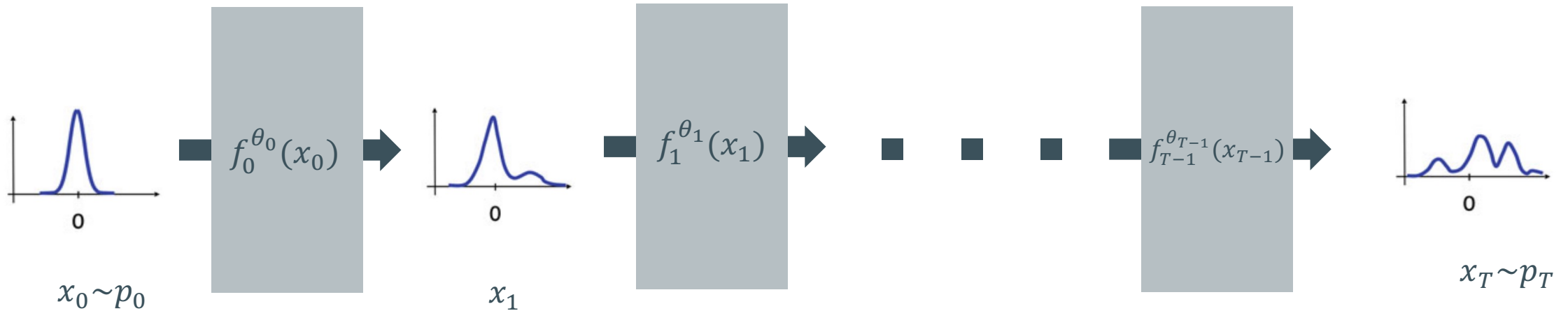
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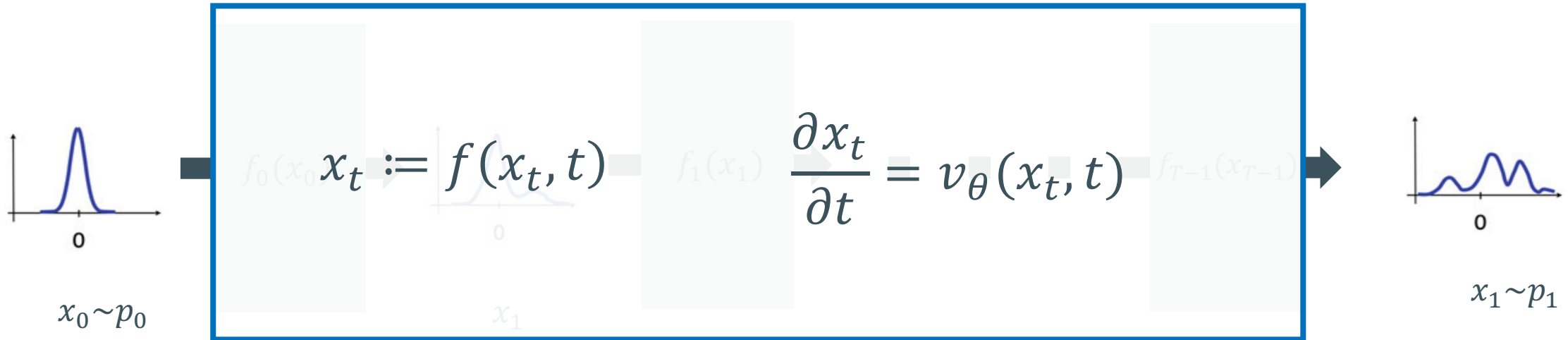
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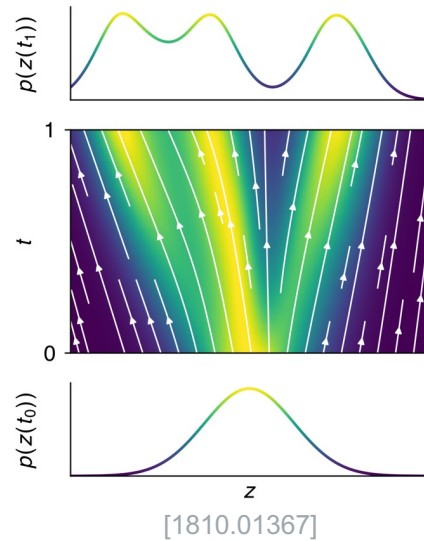
Continuous Normalizing Flow (CNF)

$\log p_1(x_1) = \log p_0(x_0) - \int_{t_0}^t \text{Tr} \left(\frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial x_t} \right) dt$

Solve ODE (ordinary differential equation)

- f has no restrictions
- Trace is easier to calculate
- Still computationally expensive

Flow Matching



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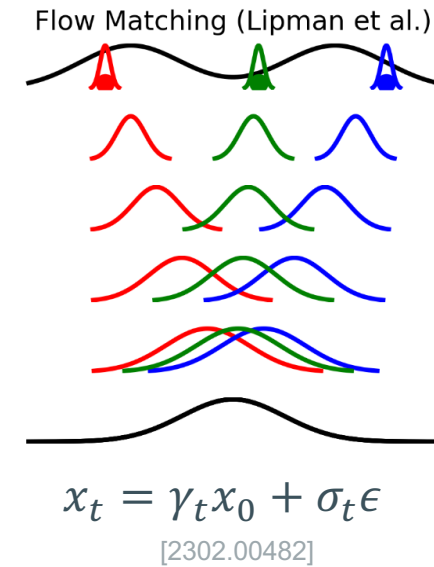
Training:

- Training is difficult because ODE needs to be solved

$$\frac{\partial x_t}{\partial t} = v_\theta(x_t, t)$$

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$$L_{FM} = \left\| v_\theta(x_t) - u_t(x_t|x_0) \right\|^2$$



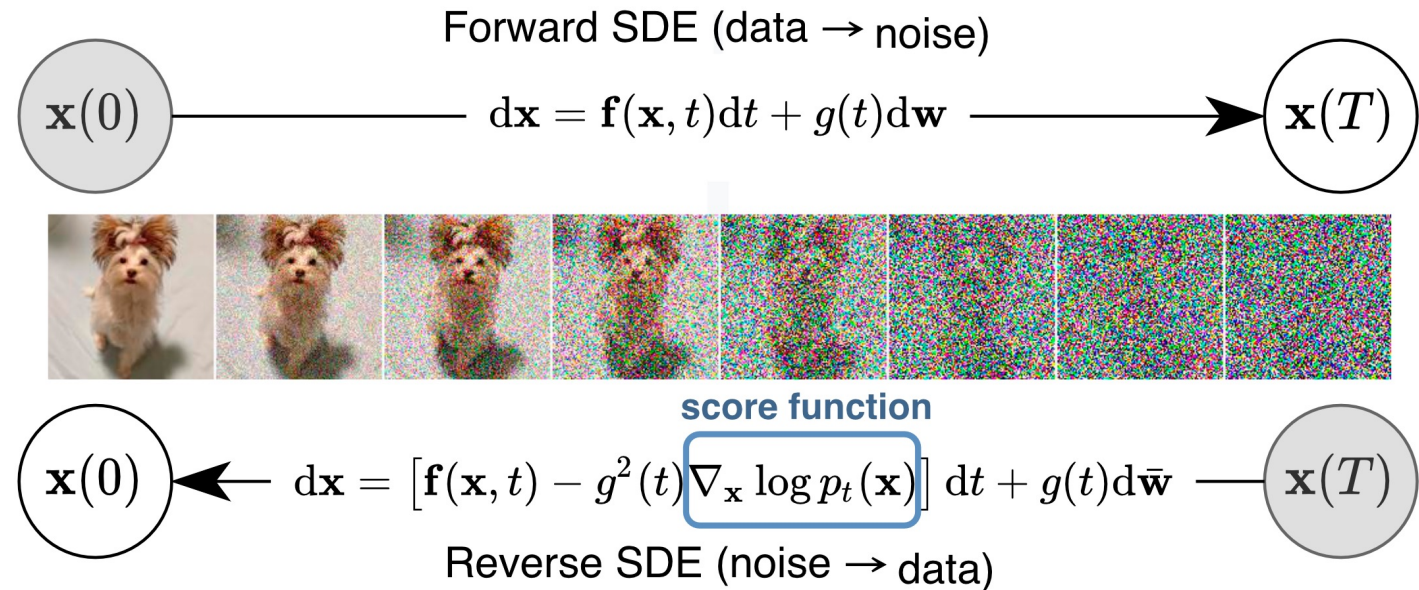
Flow Matching (FM)

Training:

- Simulation-free training objective (no ODE solving during training)
- Regressing against conditional flows
- Much faster training

Diffusion Models

- Adding noise to perturb data
- Description as stochastic differential equation (SDE)
- Sample by solving reverse SDE
- Train model by approximating score function with conditional probability paths



Probability Flow ODE:

- Remove stochasticity
- SDE \rightarrow ODE
- A CNF describable with FM

“Continuous Time Generative Models”

$$L = ||s_{\theta}(x_t) - \nabla_x \log p_t(x|x_0)||$$

Loss Function

$$dx = \left[f(x, t) - \frac{1}{2} g(t)^2 \nabla_x \log p_t(x) \right] dt$$

Probability flow ODE

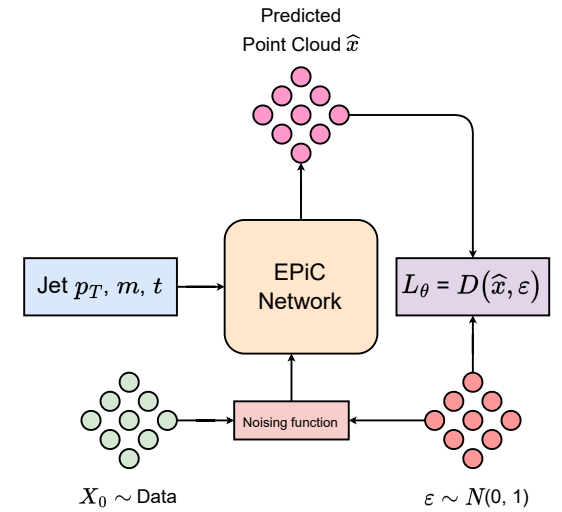
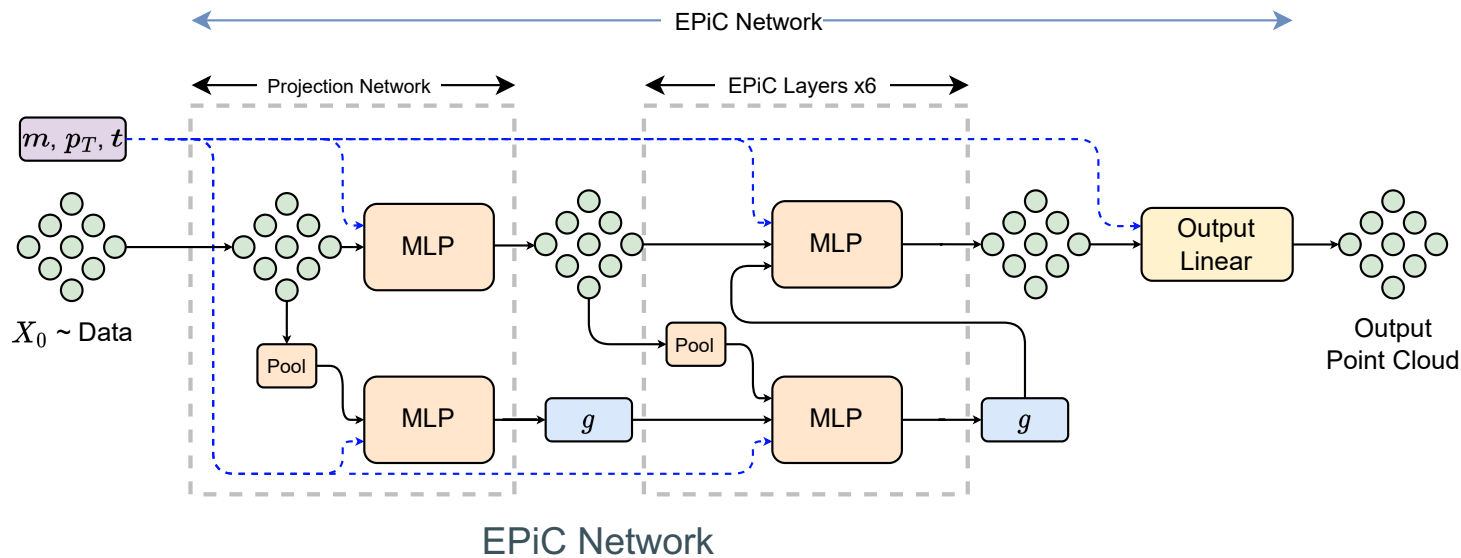
EPiC-FM & EPiC JeDi

- EPiC-FM: EPiC Architecture with Flow Matching

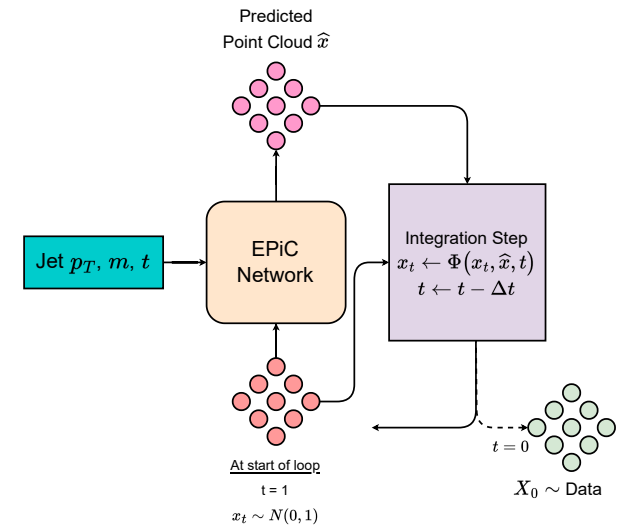
$$L_{FM}(v_\theta, u_t(x|x_0)) = \left\| v_\theta(x_t, t) - ((1 - \sigma_{min})\epsilon - x_0) \right\|^2$$

- EPiC-JeDi: EPiC Architecture with JeDi diffusion

$$L_{JeDi}(v_\theta, s_t(x|x_0)) = \left(1 - \alpha \frac{\beta(t)}{\sigma(t)^2} \right) \left\| v_\theta(x_t, t) - \epsilon \right\|^2$$



Training



Sampling

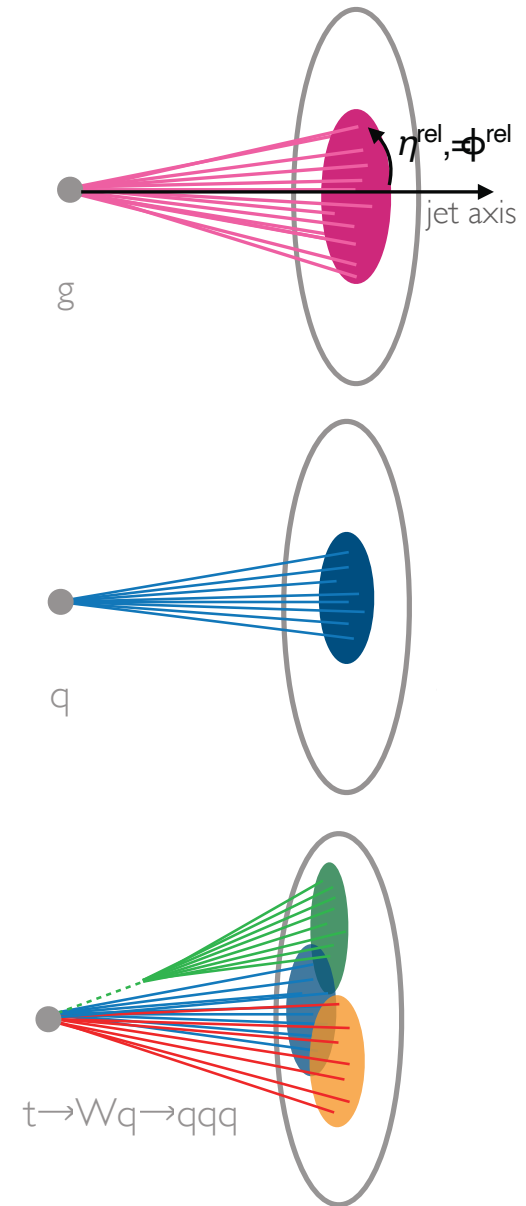
Benchmark on Pythia Jets

- Benchmark dataset: JetNet [[2106.11535](https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.11535)]
- Pythia simulated jets from proton-proton collisions
- Anti- k_T clustered with $R = 0.4$
- Maximum particle multiplicity of 30 and 150
- 5 jet classes (gluons, light-quarks, top quarks, W, Z)
- ~200k events per class
- Focus on top quarks (most challenging)
- Relative jet constituents

$$\eta^{rel} = \eta - \eta^{jet}$$

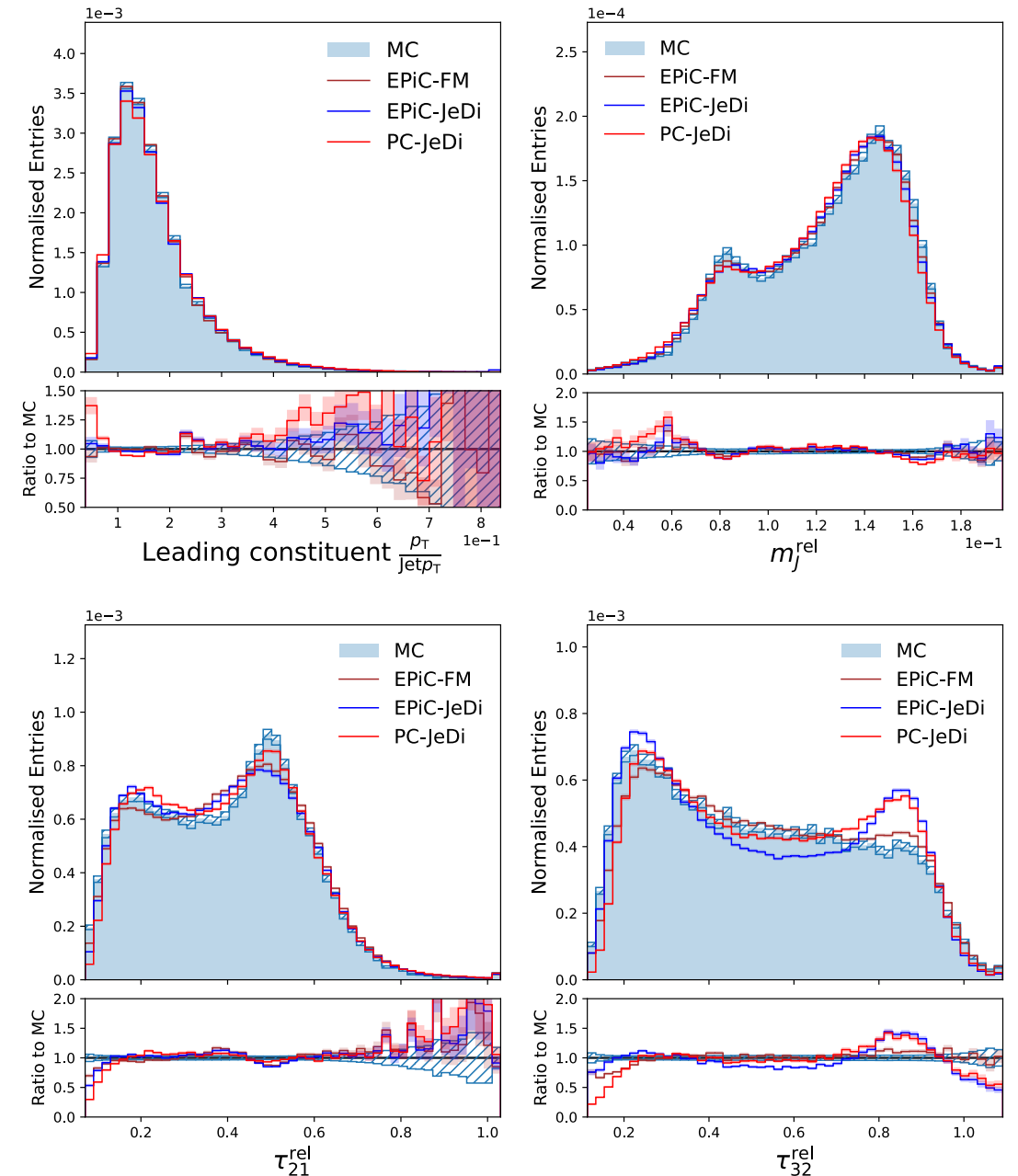
$$\phi^{rel} = \phi - \phi^{jet}$$

$$p_T^{rel} = p_T / p_T^{jet}$$



Results JetNet30 1/2

- Conditioned version (mass, p_T^{jet})
- Unconditioned version
- Generate conditioning with normalizing flow
- Comparison to EPiC GAN and PC-JeDi
- Midpoint ODE solver with 200 model passes
- Substructure most challenging to learn



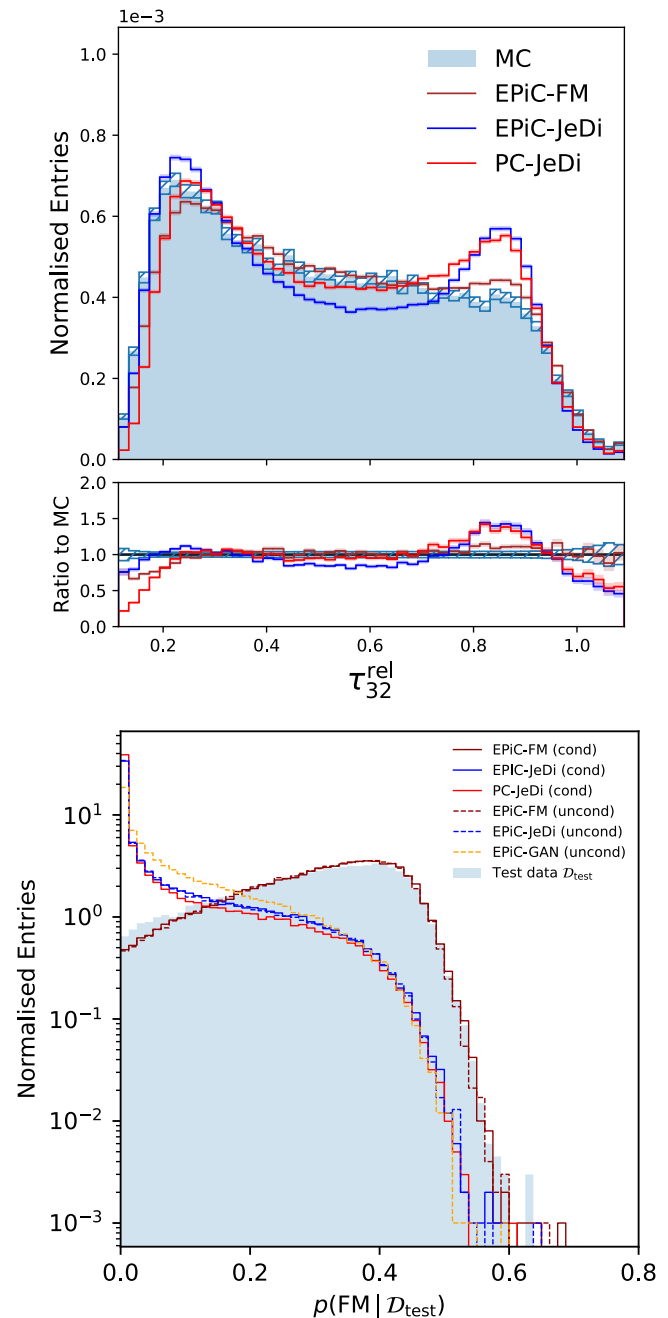
Results JetNet30 2/2

- KLD instead of Wasserstein distance
 - Unintuitive results for W1 on some distributions
- Multi-Classifer Score (ParticleNet)

$$NLP(c) = -E_{x \sim D_{Test}} \log p(c|x)$$

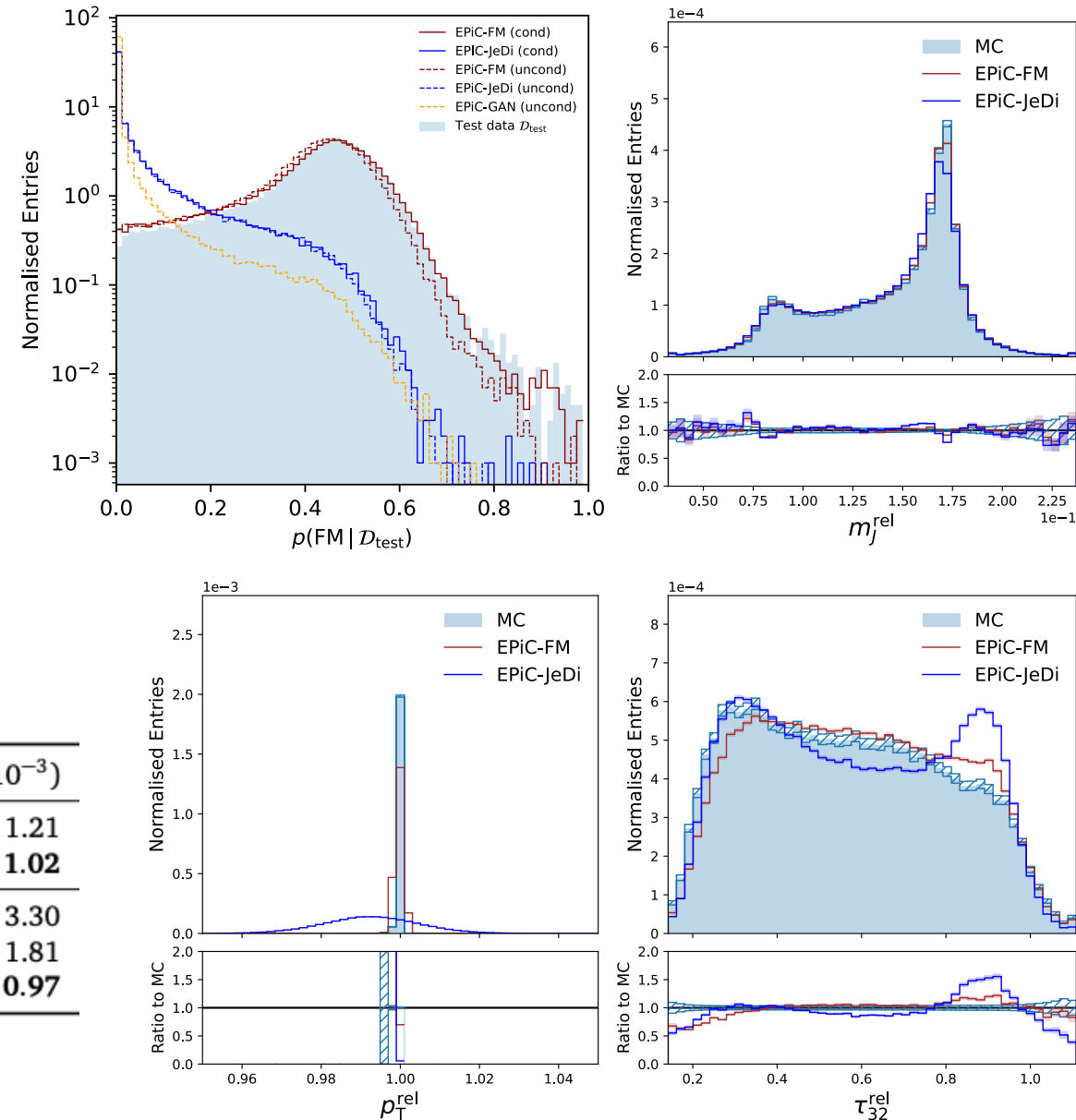
- EPiC-FM outperforms all models
- Conditioned models are slightly better
- Substructure most challenging to learn

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Conditional	PC-JeDi	3.08	8.56 ± 0.75	3.25 ± 0.09	12.82 ± 1.16	27.08 ± 1.40
	EPiC-JeDi	3.1	5.26 ± 0.51	2.99 ± 0.05	7.81 ± 0.61	17.34 ± 1.08
	EPiC-FM	1.35	3.77 ± 0.50	2.03 ± 0.02	7.40 ± 0.64	8.09 ± 0.93
Unconditional	EPiC-GAN	3.43	3.71 ± 0.42	3.33 ± 0.03	8.28 ± 0.76	17.68 ± 0.91
	EPiC-JeDi	3.11	18.42 ± 1.12	3.73 ± 0.08	8.00 ± 0.80	15.27 ± 1.35
	EPiC-FM	1.38	5.80 ± 0.54	2.03 ± 0.01	7.69 ± 0.71	9.24 ± 1.00



Results JetNet150

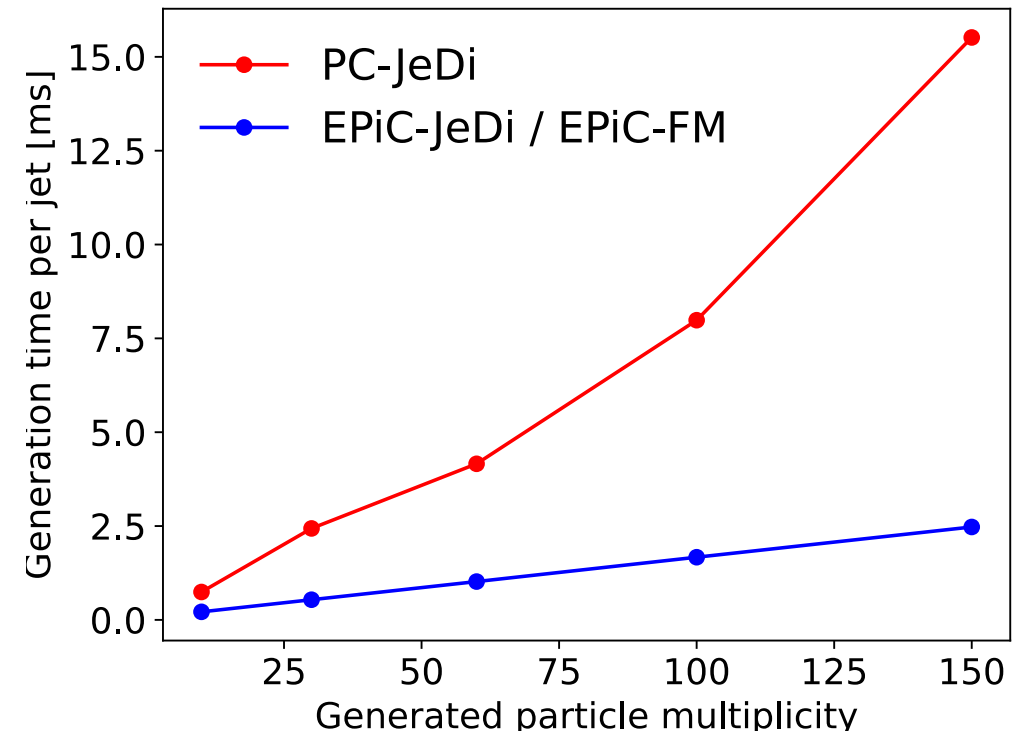
- Conditioned on mass and p_T vs. unconditioned
 - Comparison to EPiC GAN
 - PC-JeDi too slow for 150 particles
- Similar behaviour as for 30 particles
- EPiC-FM outperforms all models
- Conditioned models are slightly better



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	EPiC-FM	0.12	4.30 ± 0.53	0.84 ± 0.02	9.43 ± 0.61	11.22 ± 1.02
Unconditional	EPiC-GAN	11.6	6.50 ± 0.63	2.22 ± 0.09	20.60 ± 1.55	69.64 ± 3.30
	EPiC-JeDi	5.70	27.46 ± 1.24	6.39 ± 0.60	20.15 ± 1.25	36.50 ± 1.81
	EPiC-FM	0.98	12.95 ± 0.90	0.87 ± 0.02	10.59 ± 0.88	12.14 ± 0.97

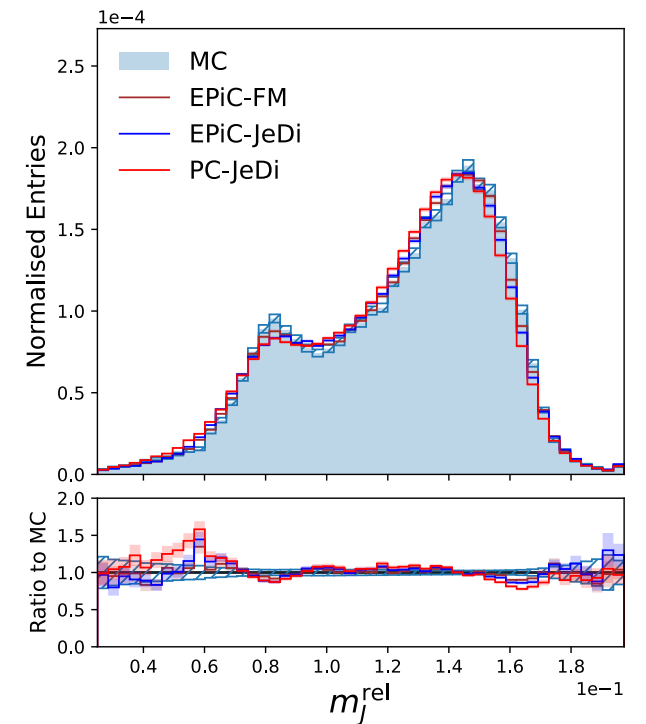
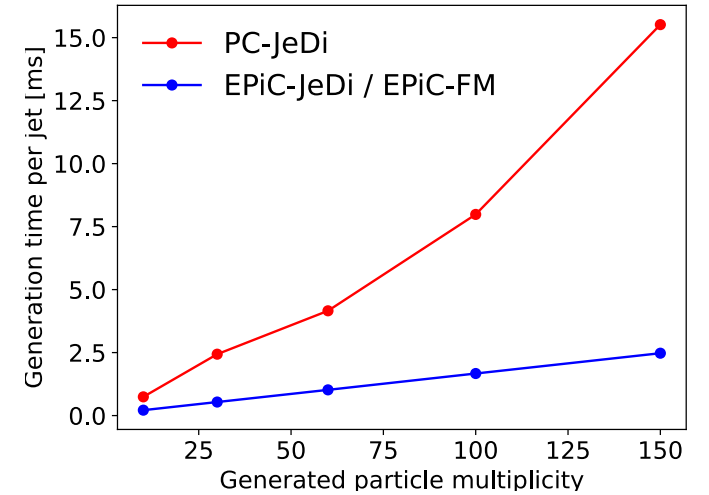
Timing Evaluation

- Better scaling behaviour for EPiC layers
 - 6.2x faster at 150 particles
- Effect increases for larger point clouds like calorimeter showers
- Slower than GANs
- Complementary to distillation approaches
 - See PC-Droid Talk [[2307.06836](#)]



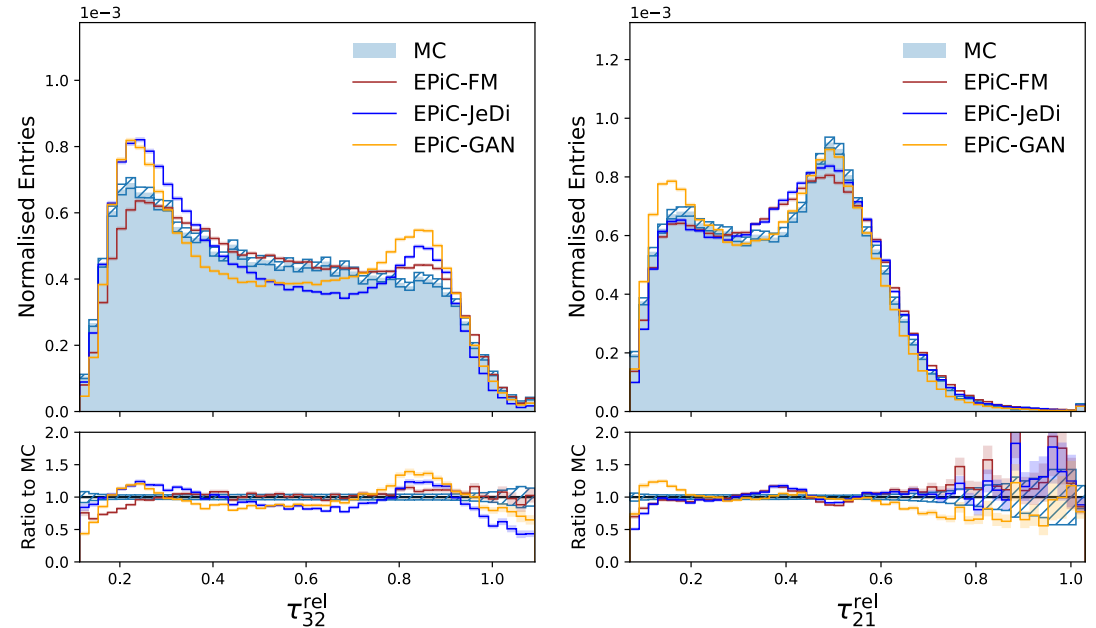
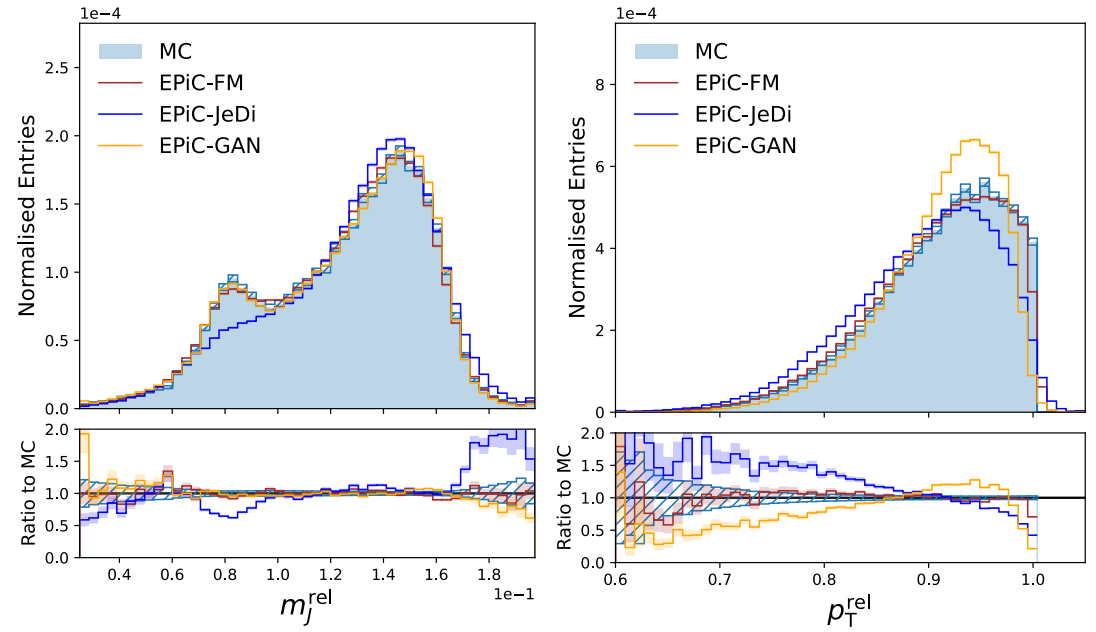
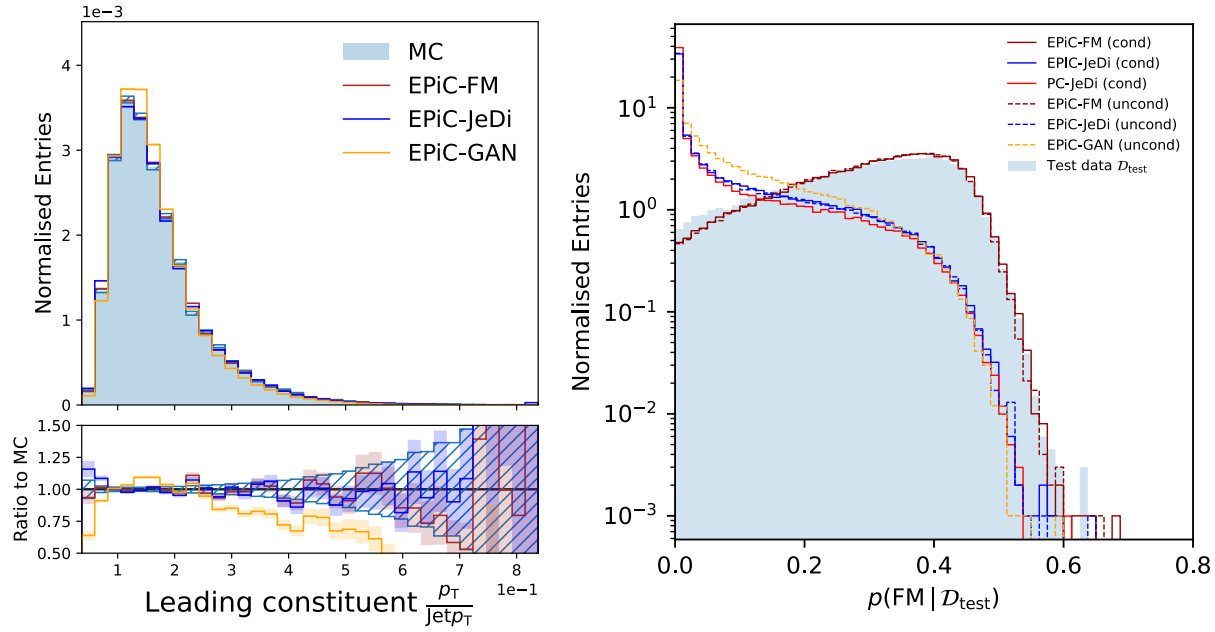
Conclusion

- Generative ML can speed up MC simulations
- Points Clouds are the natural way to represent jets
- We introduce two new models
 - EPiC-FM
 - EPiC-JeDi
- Significantly better scaling behaviour while keeping performance of previous transformer approaches
- EPiC-FM is simpler and performs better than previous diffusion-based models
- Paper on [arxiv: 2310.00049](https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.00049)



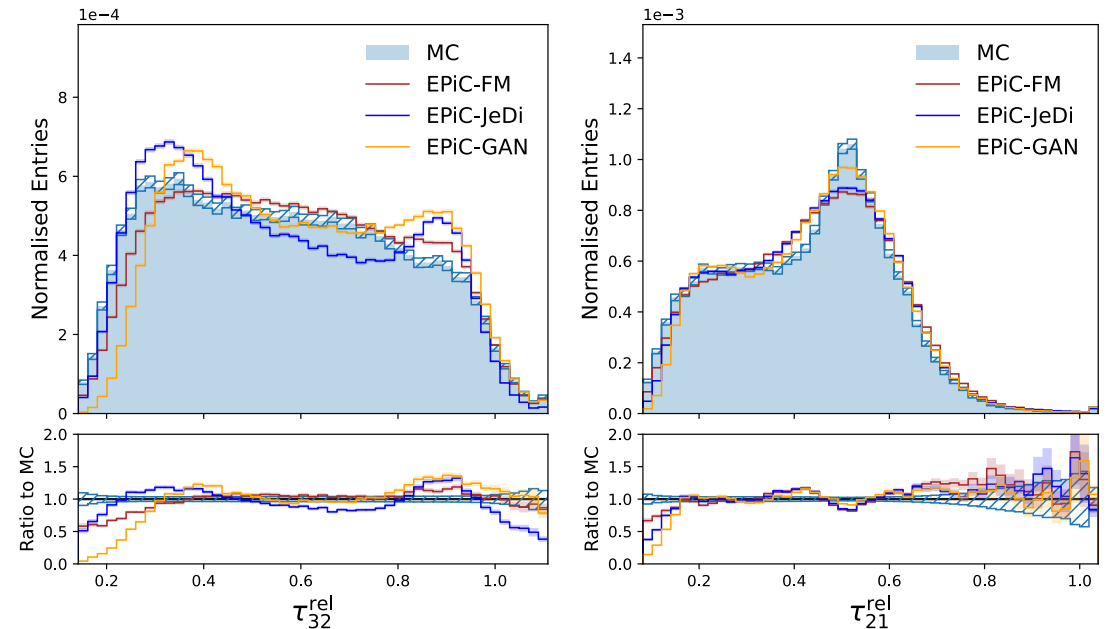
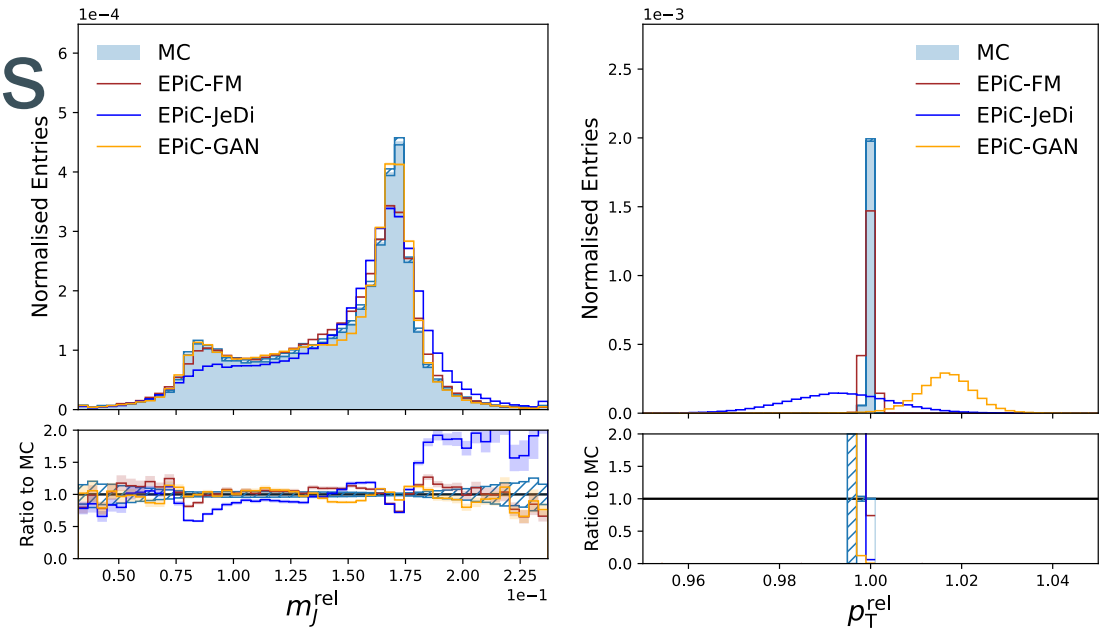
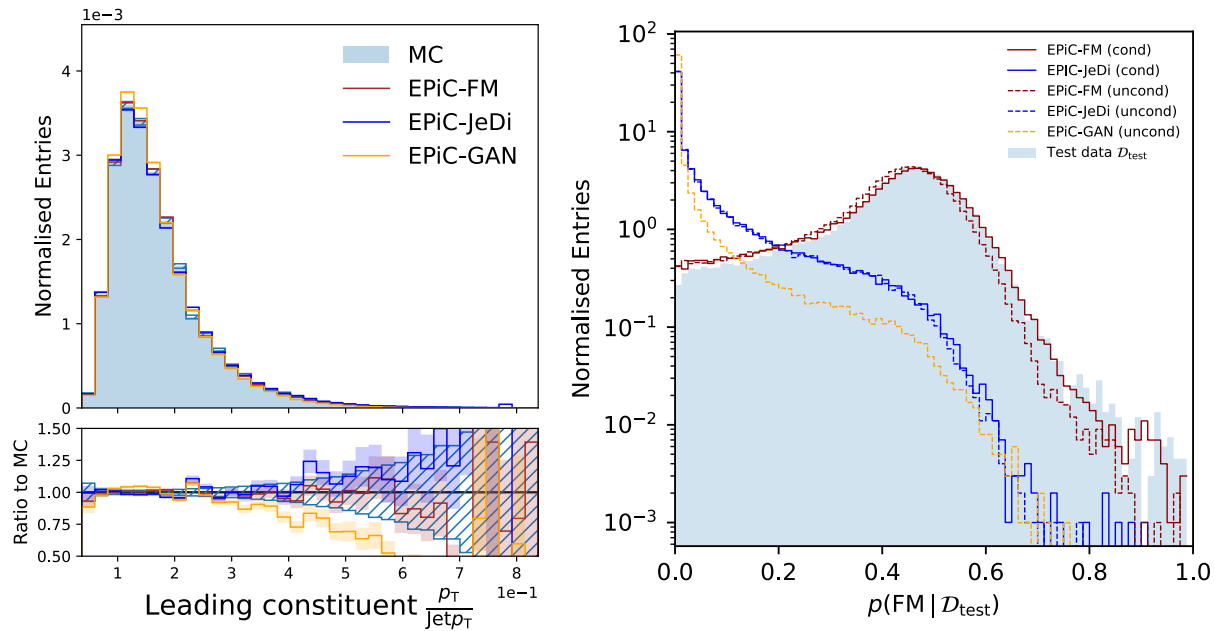
Additional Slides

JetNet30 unconditional Plots



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Solver Comparison

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Conditional	EPiC-JeDi	EM (SDE)	0.29	16.96 ± 2.00	5.32 ± 1.10	3.47 ± 0.38	7.84 ± 0.77	26.36 ± 1.41	0.81 ± 0.07
		Midpoint	0.42	8.29 ± 1.20	14.67 ± 1.38	1.76 ± 0.22	5.09 ± 0.43	14.19 ± 0.83	1.35 ± 0.22
		Euler	0.39	8.65 ± 1.14	14.65 ± 1.68	1.79 ± 0.25	5.60 ± 0.46	13.83 ± 1.11	1.37 ± 0.17
	EPiC-FM	Midpoint	0.11	5.12 ± 1.18	3.36 ± 0.98	1.10 ± 0.26	7.54 ± 0.84	16.33 ± 1.21	0.97 ± 0.17
		Euler	0.19	13.26 ± 1.85	10.95 ± 1.40	3.11 ± 0.35	10.54 ± 1.12	18.72 ± 1.36	1.13 ± 0.11
Unconditional	EPiC-JeDi	EM (SDE)	0.77	16.92 ± 1.36	14.52 ± 1.73	2.88 ± 0.20	12.62 ± 0.82	12.09 ± 0.75	2.19 ± 0.18
		Midpoint	1.63	37.54 ± 1.91	33.57 ± 1.48	8.08 ± 0.40	7.71 ± 0.99	15.73 ± 1.17	3.69 ± 0.19
		Euler	1.64	37.10 ± 1.72	32.63 ± 1.59	8.33 ± 0.44	8.56 ± 0.87	14.29 ± 0.86	3.86 ± 0.18
	EPiC-FM	Midpoint	0.14	7.69 ± 0.97	3.39 ± 0.98	1.45 ± 0.30	7.77 ± 0.80	14.97 ± 1.39	0.94 ± 0.17
		Euler	0.39	30.16 ± 1.78	17.55 ± 1.49	6.43 ± 0.42	8.41 ± 0.72	23.53 ± 1.37	1.40 ± 0.10

JetNet30, all solvers with 200 model passes

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		Midpoint	0.52	6.61 ± 1.05	18.89 ± 1.25	4.78 ± 0.62	7.51 ± 0.43	21.15 ± 1.25	3.13 ± 0.23
		Euler	0.47	6.77 ± 1.55	18.80 ± 1.29	4.97 ± 0.71	8.73 ± 0.58	21.77 ± 1.29	3.39 ± 0.16
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		Midpoint	1.93	66.07 ± 2.05	35.04 ± 1.51	27.84 ± 0.86	8.75 ± 0.97	11.67 ± 0.60	6.24 ± 0.26
		Euler	1.90	66.85 ± 2.14	35.67 ± 1.53	28.03 ± 0.97	9.90 ± 0.89	11.40 ± 0.82	6.30 ± 0.19
	EPiC-FM	Midpoint	0.18	10.77 ± 1.12	3.25 ± 0.89	4.03 ± 0.37	9.37 ± 0.74	19.85 ± 1.29	1.11 ± 0.18
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Hyperparameter Choices

Hyperparameter	Value
EPiC layers	6
EPiC global dimensionality	10
Hidden dimensionality	128
Activation function	LeakyReLU(0.01)
Adam-W [91] learning rate	10^{-3}
Learning rate scheduling	Cosine with warm-up
Warm-up epochs	1,000
Batch size	1,024
Training epochs	10,000
Model weights	~ 560,000
Training events	~ 110,000
Test events	~ 27,000