

Finetuning Foundation Models for Analysis Optimization

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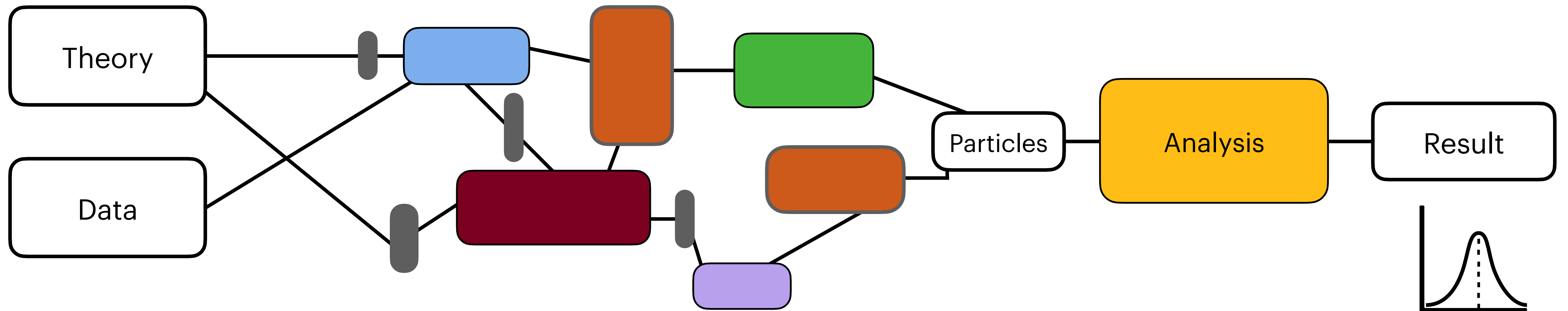


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Analysis pipeline at the LHC

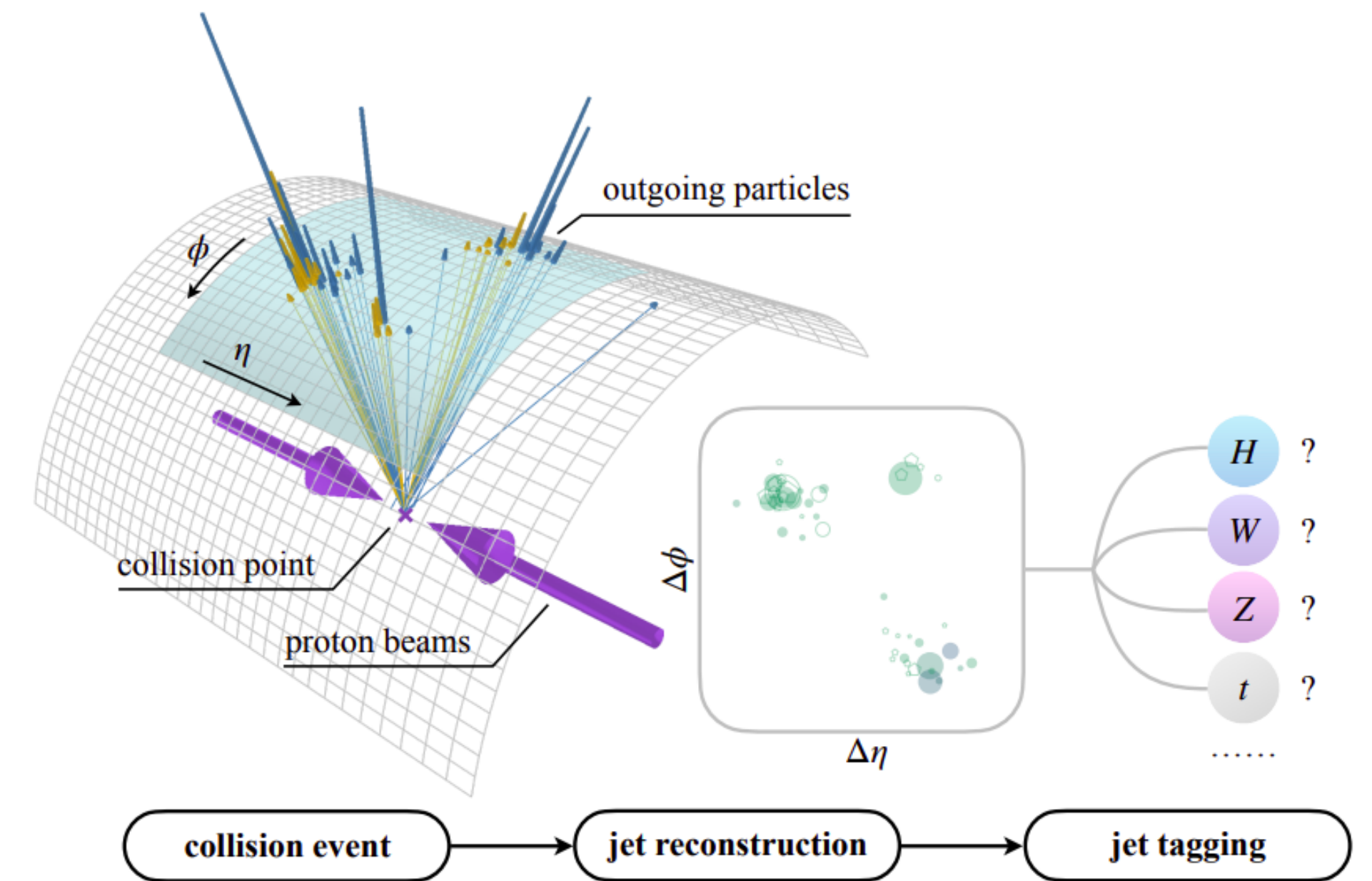
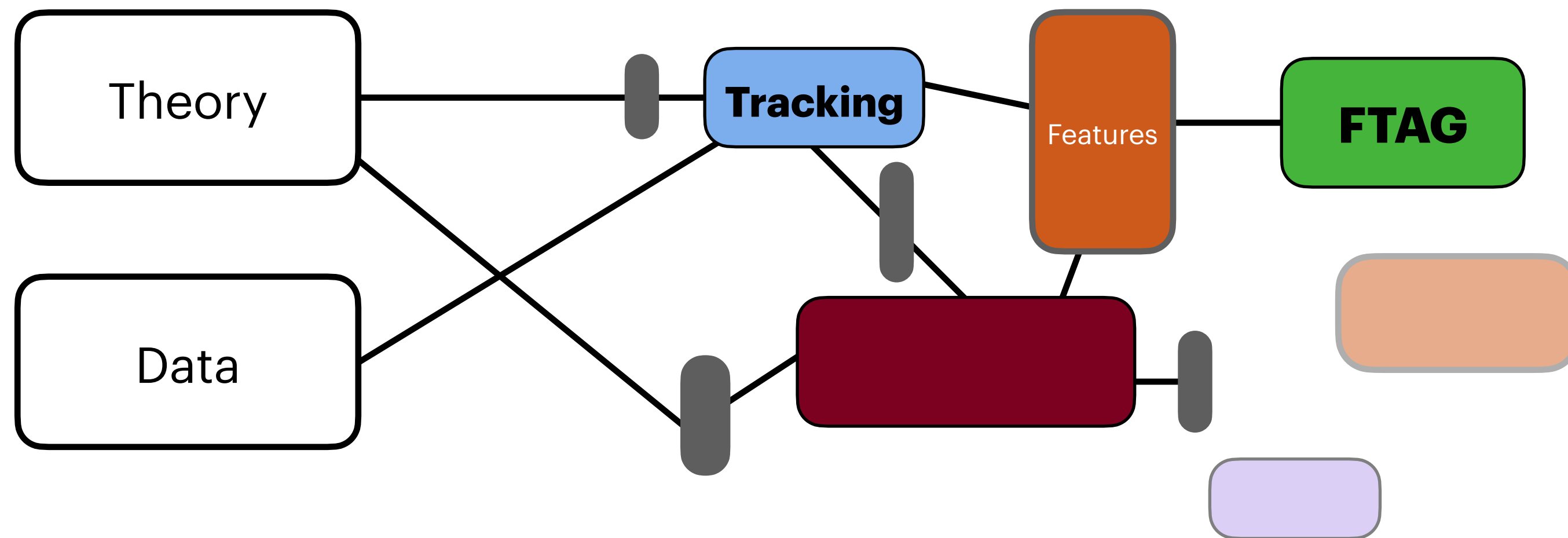
Lots of (also ML) components in our analysis pipeline

But each optimized separately and downstream components are optimized based on the steps prior to it



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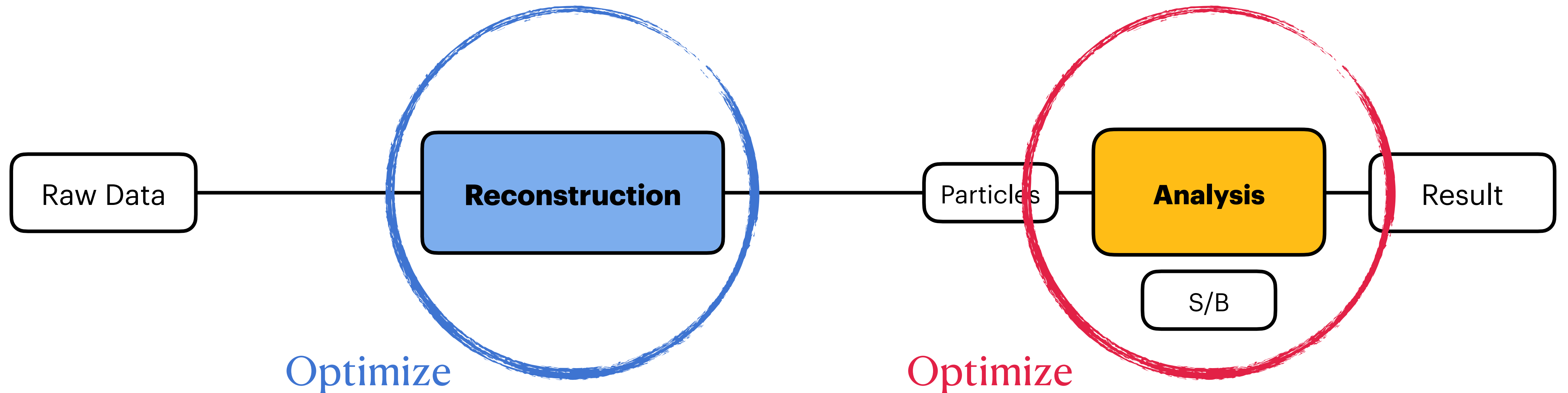
e.g. jet flavour-tagging can only be optimized after tracking, but we rarely re-optimize tracking for flavor tagging or jet classification



[arXiv:2202.03772]

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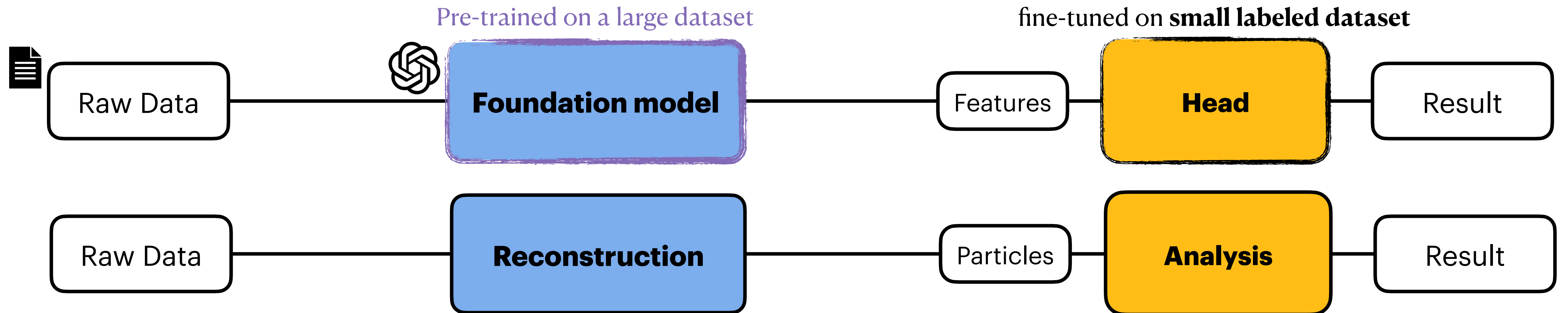
The optimization of the sensitivity is primarily the job of the **analysis**, given a fixed **reconstruction** - mostly common for all analysis



Modern ML with Foundation Models

ML and HEP setups are fortunately very aligned

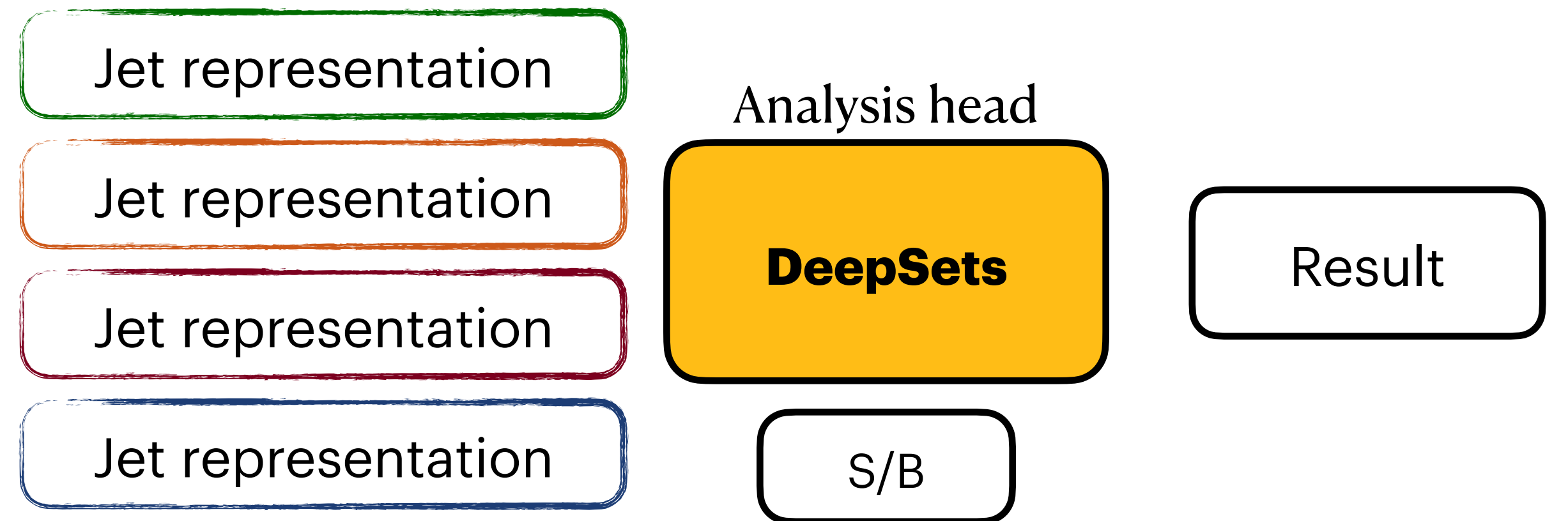
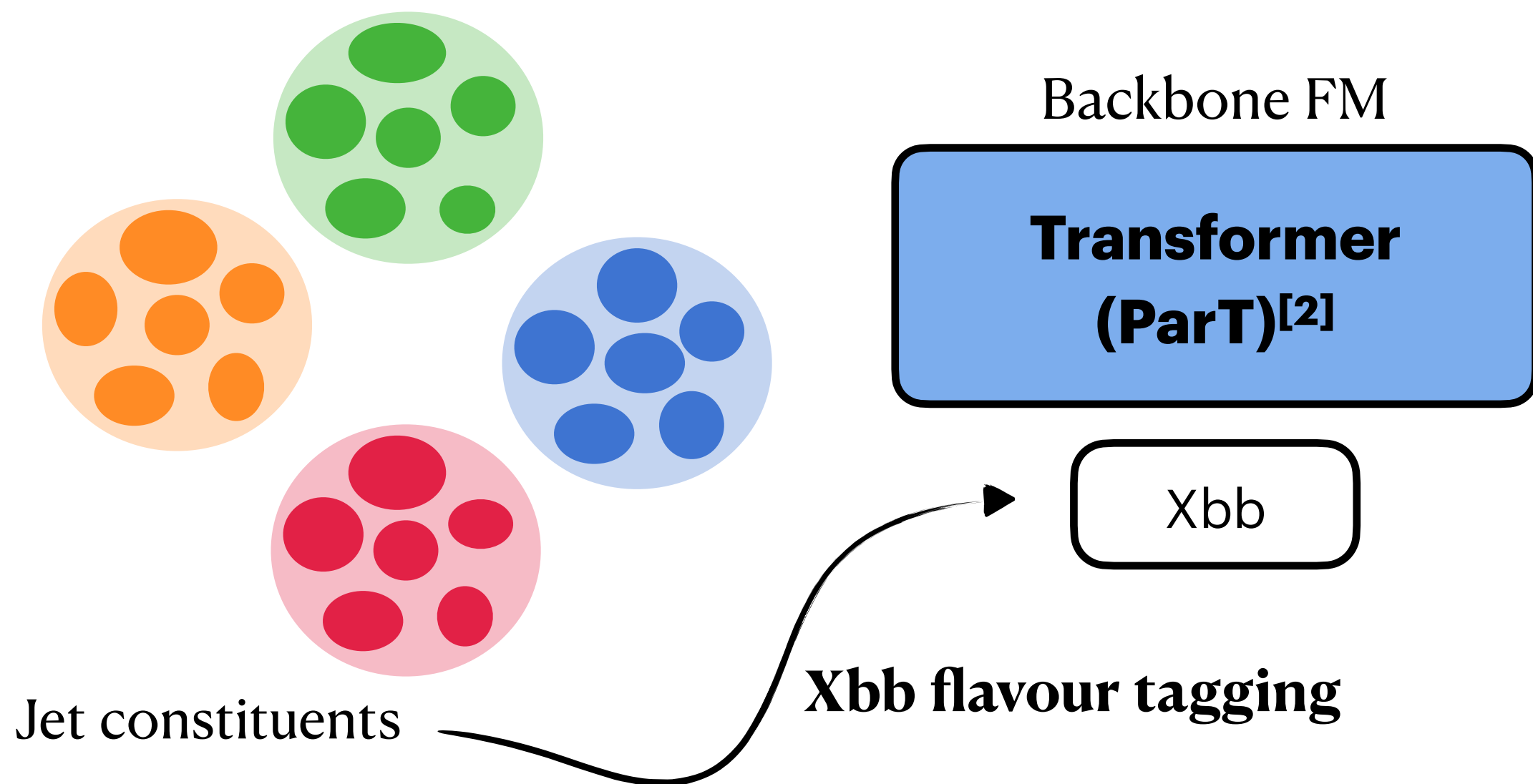
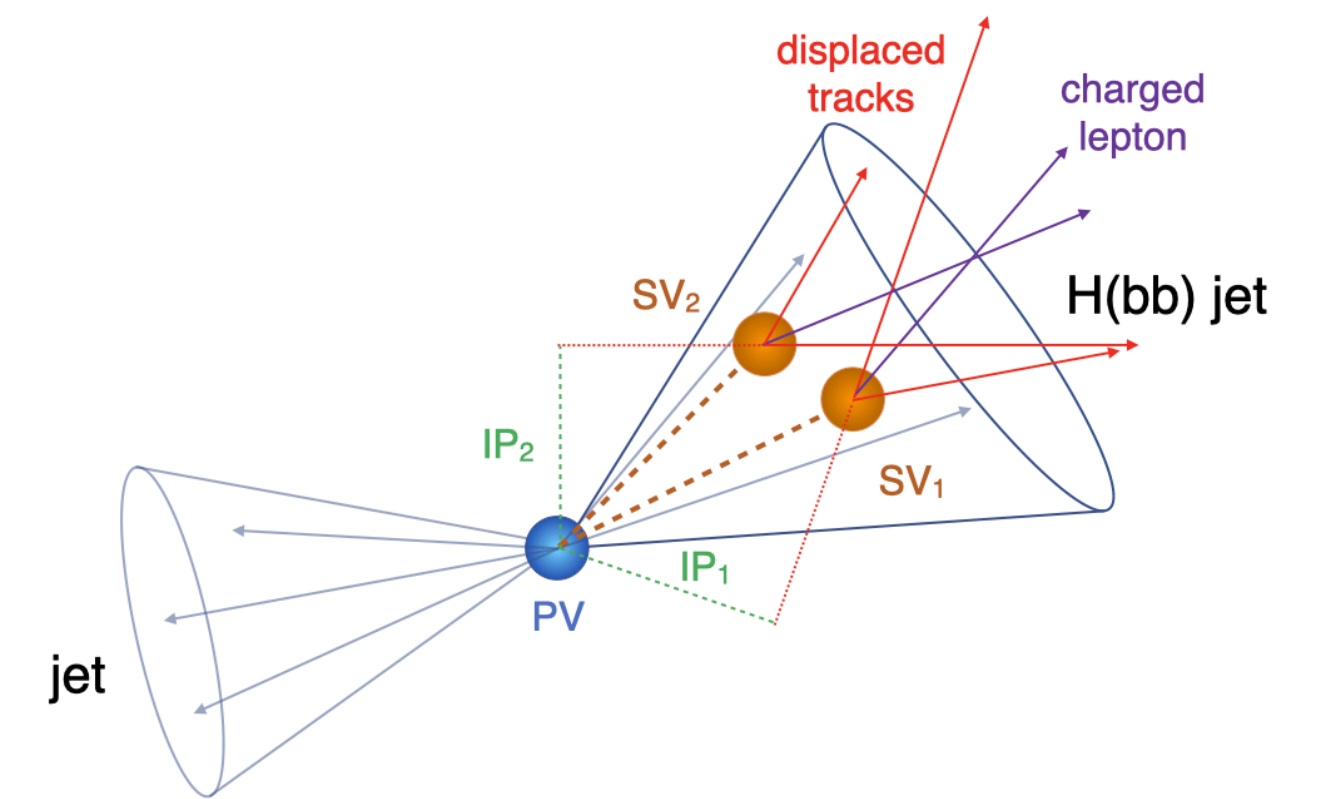
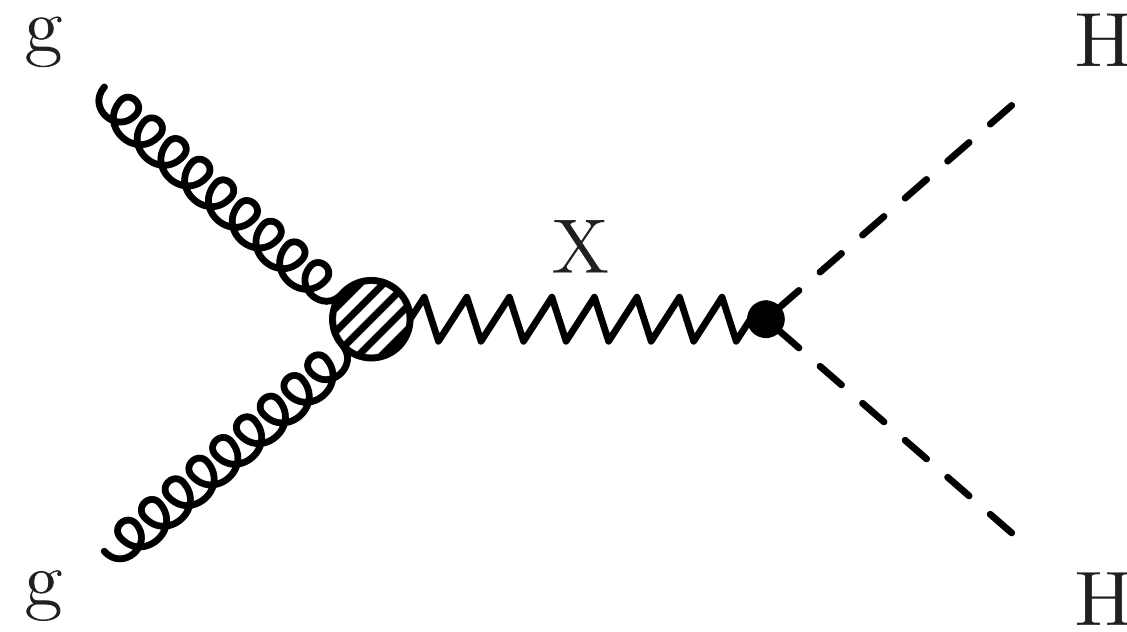
Also often split in two parts, but key difference is that backbone can be fine-tuned w/ gradient descent



Q: Could this workflow also work in HEP?

A toy end-to-end Analysis

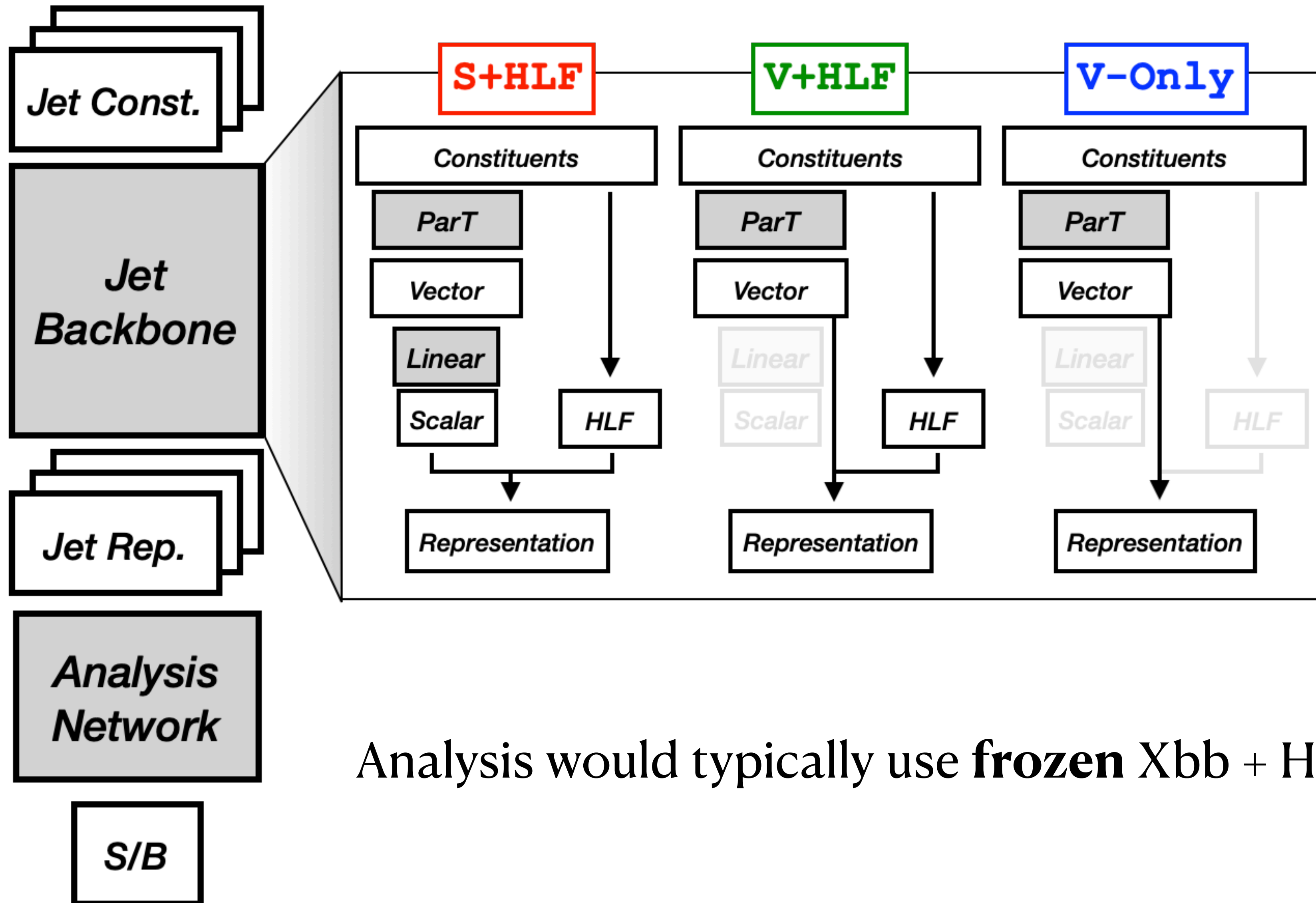
$X \rightarrow HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ ^[1]
 Final state with Higgs/
 QCD Jets



[1]: Huilin Qu, Congqiao Li, and Sitian Qian, "Particle Transformer for Jet Tagging," (2022), arXiv:2202.03772

[2]: Duarte Javier, CMS open data [<http://opendata.cern.ch/record/12102>]

Backbone Jet representation



Q: Do high-dim embeddings hold more (useful) info than Xbb+HL Features?

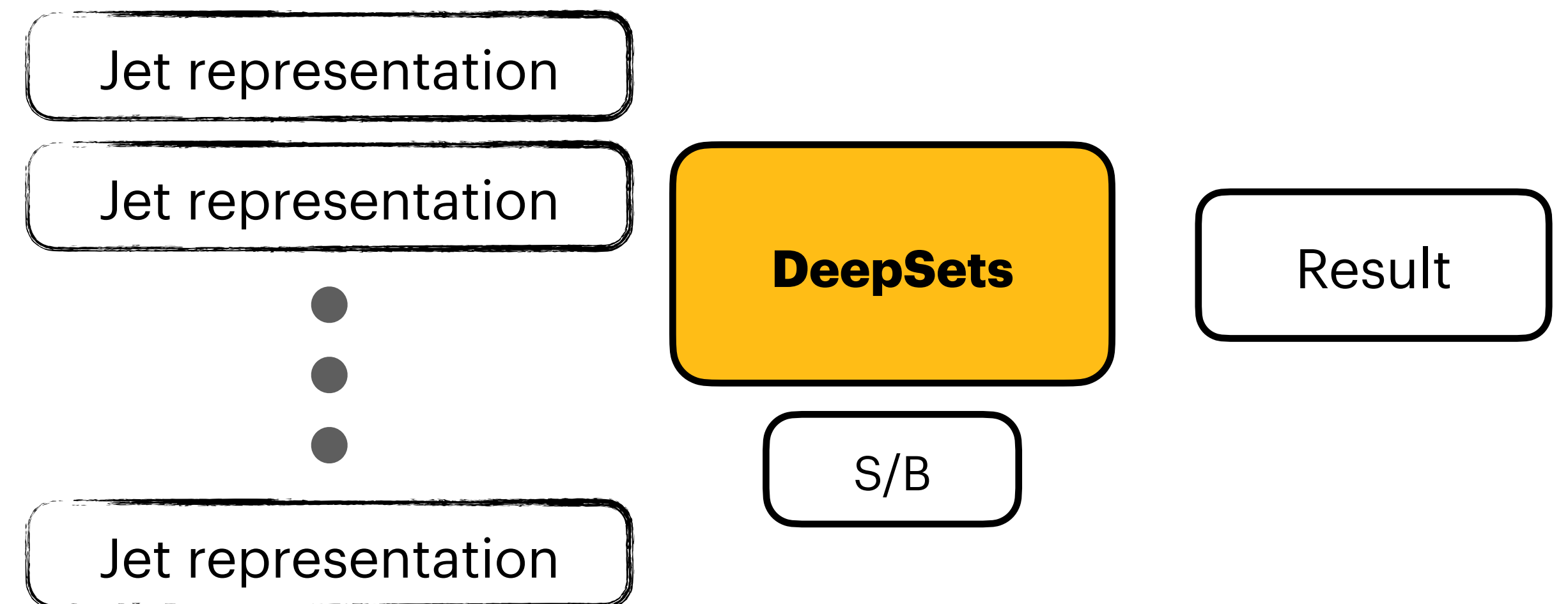
Analysis would typically use **frozen** Xbb + HL Features (jet 4-momenta)

Analysis head

The head is trained for S/B discrimination with Jet representations from backbone as inputs

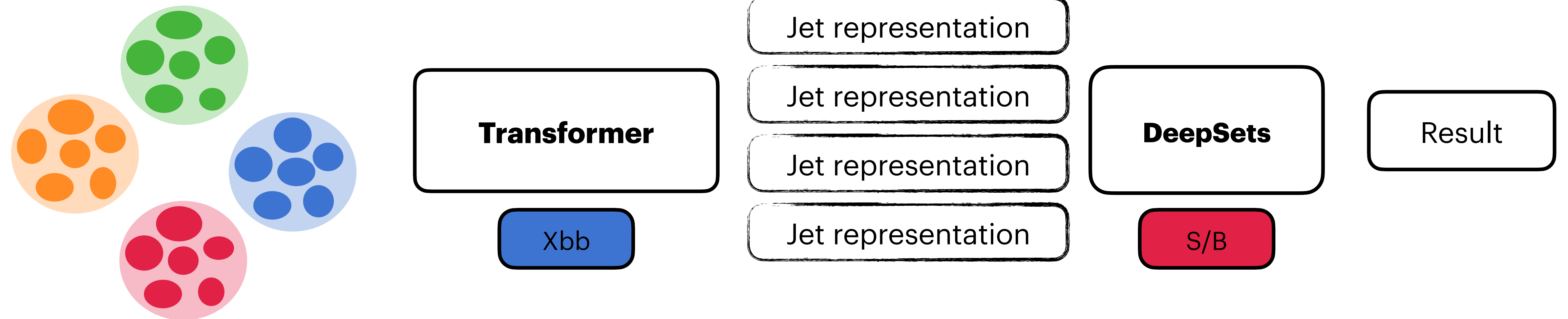
Variable number of jets per event + Permutation Invariance -> DeepSets

Q: Does fine-tuning the jet representation help?



Frozen training

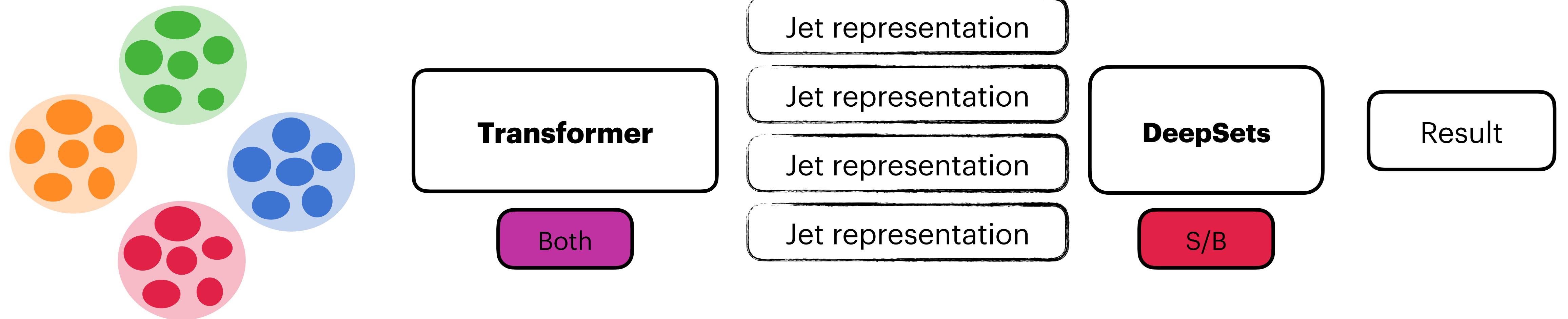
Backbone trained on **Xbb** task and then frozen
DeepSets + binary classification trained on **S/B**



Fine-tuned training

Backbone pre-trained on **Xbb** task

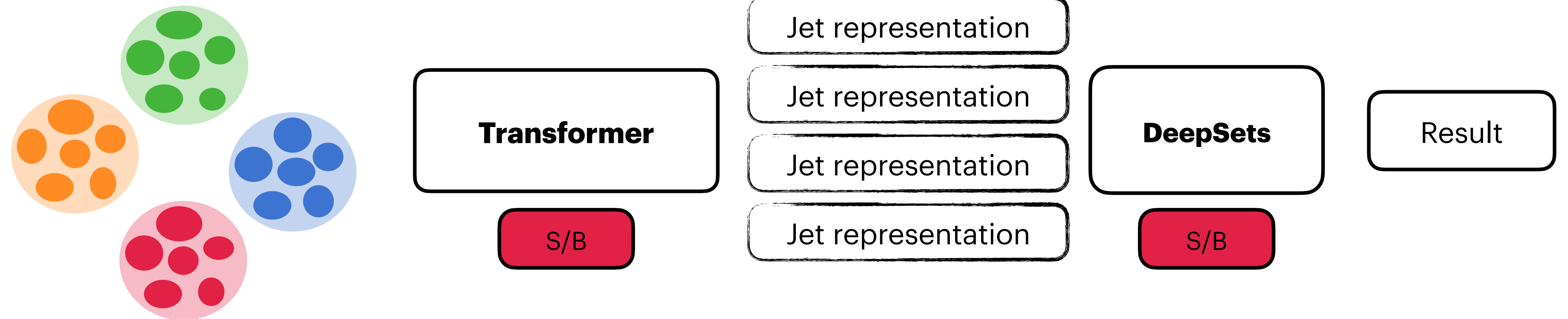
Then **fine-tuned** on **S/B**



From scratch training

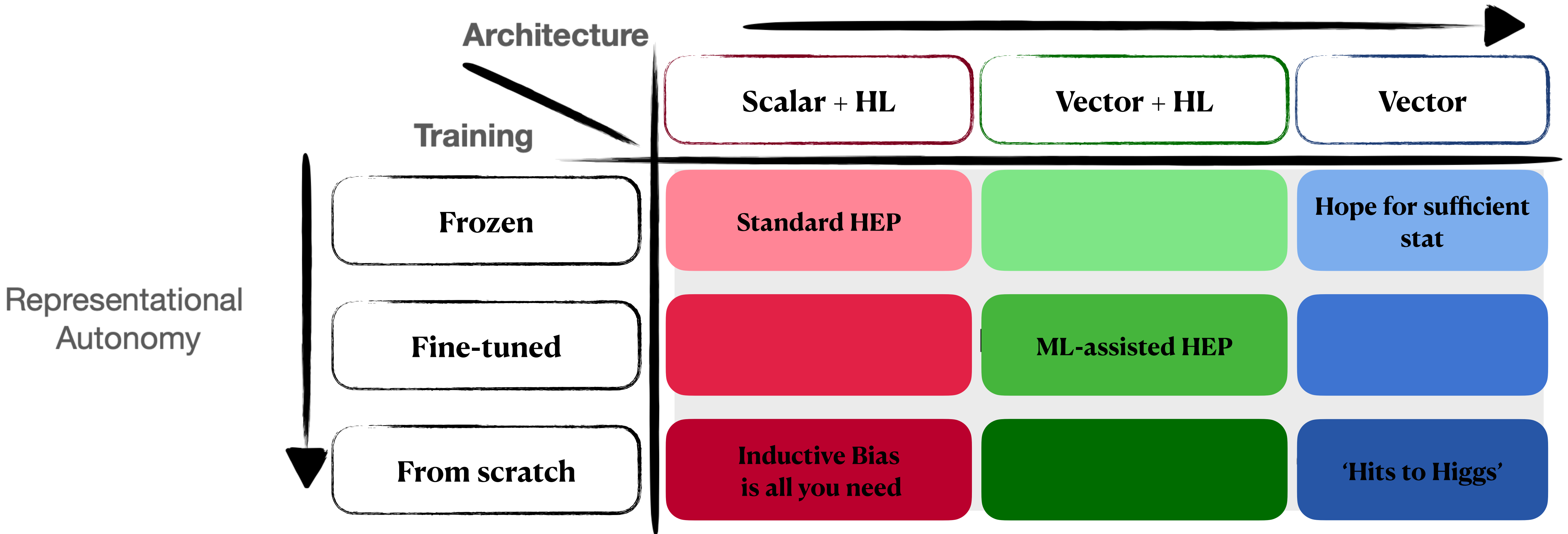
No backbone pre-training

Backbone + head trained from scratch on **S/B**



Architecture autonomy

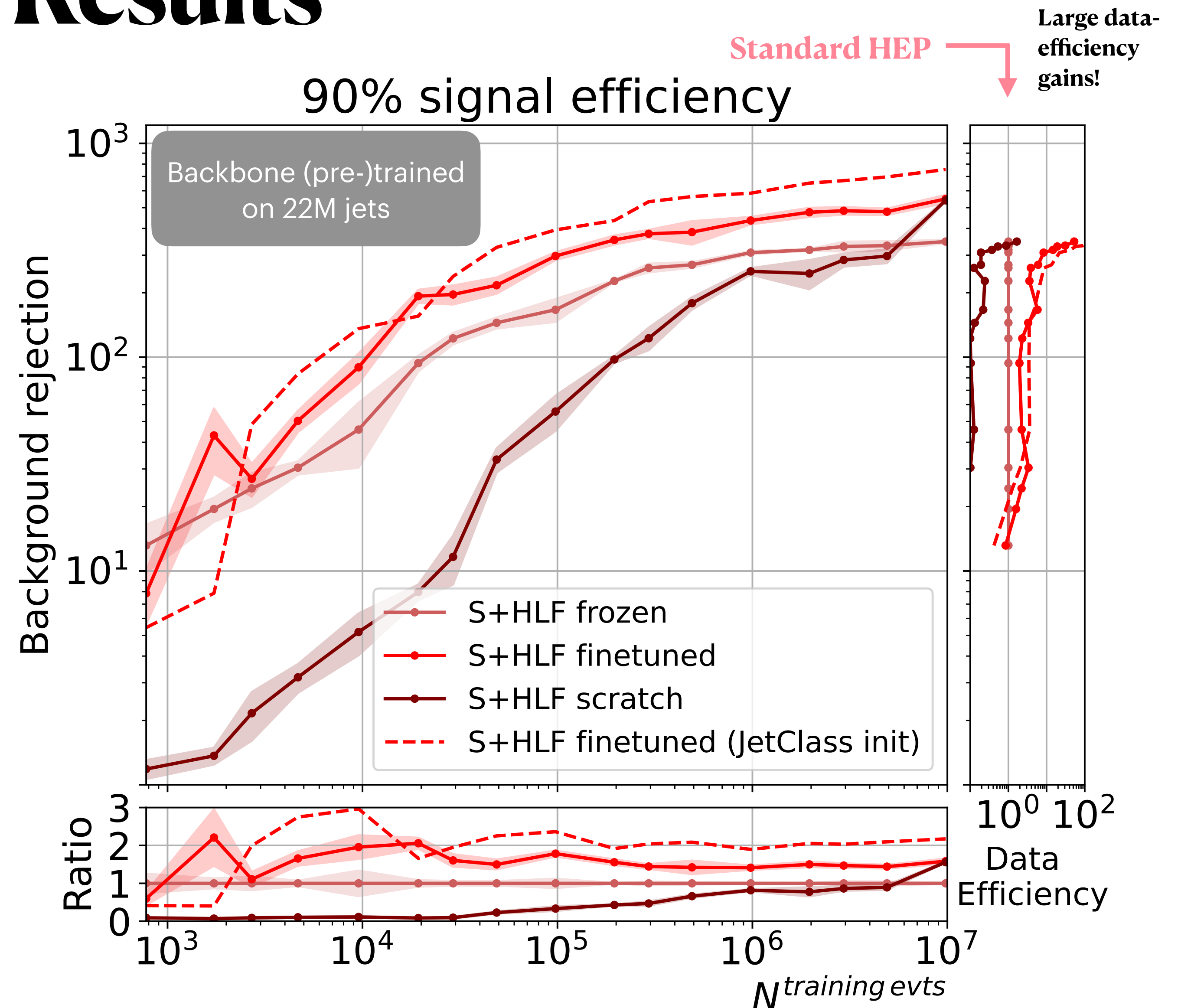
Structural Autonomy



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- Fine-tuning workflow improves both **performance & data efficiency** (10-100x wrt standard hep)
- **Domain adaptation:** Pre-training on a different dataset (JetClass^[3]) helps

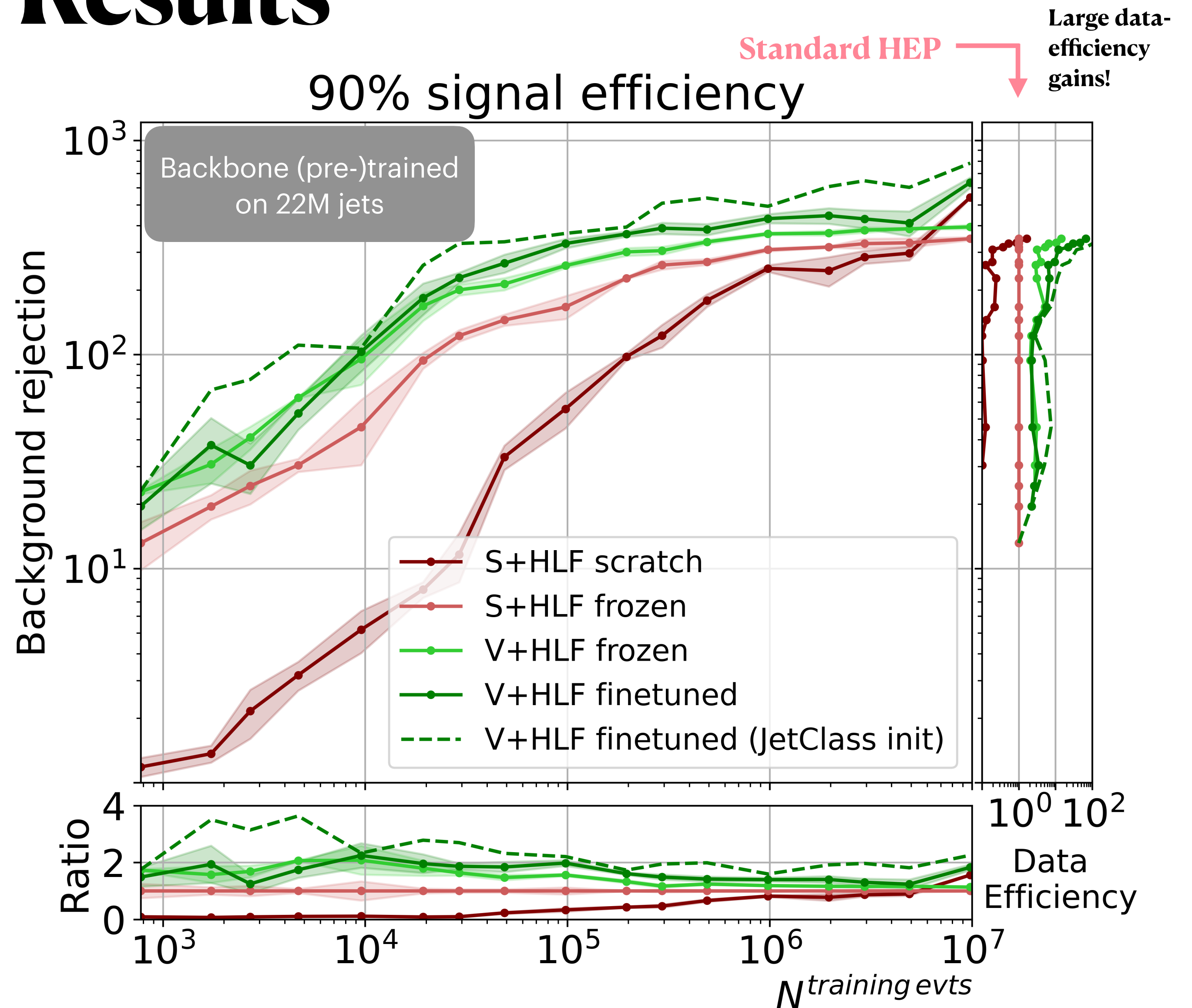
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- High-dim embeddings also seem to be useful in the frozen case
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Conclusions

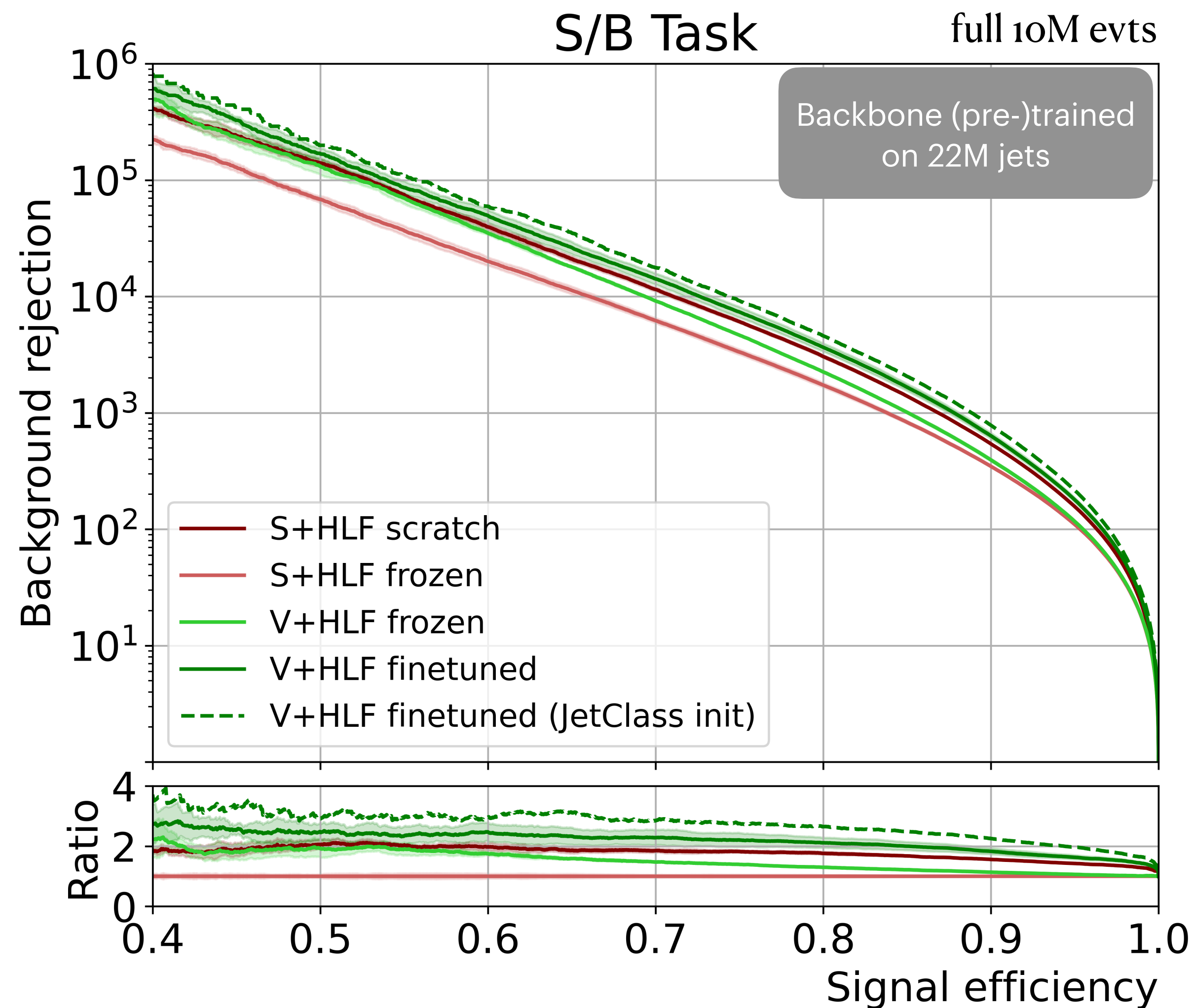
Fine-tuning workflow for end to end analysis works and is useful even for simple examples

Compared to standard HEP approach:

- **2x in background rejection**
- **10-100x in data efficiency**
- There might be more to gain in more complex topologies

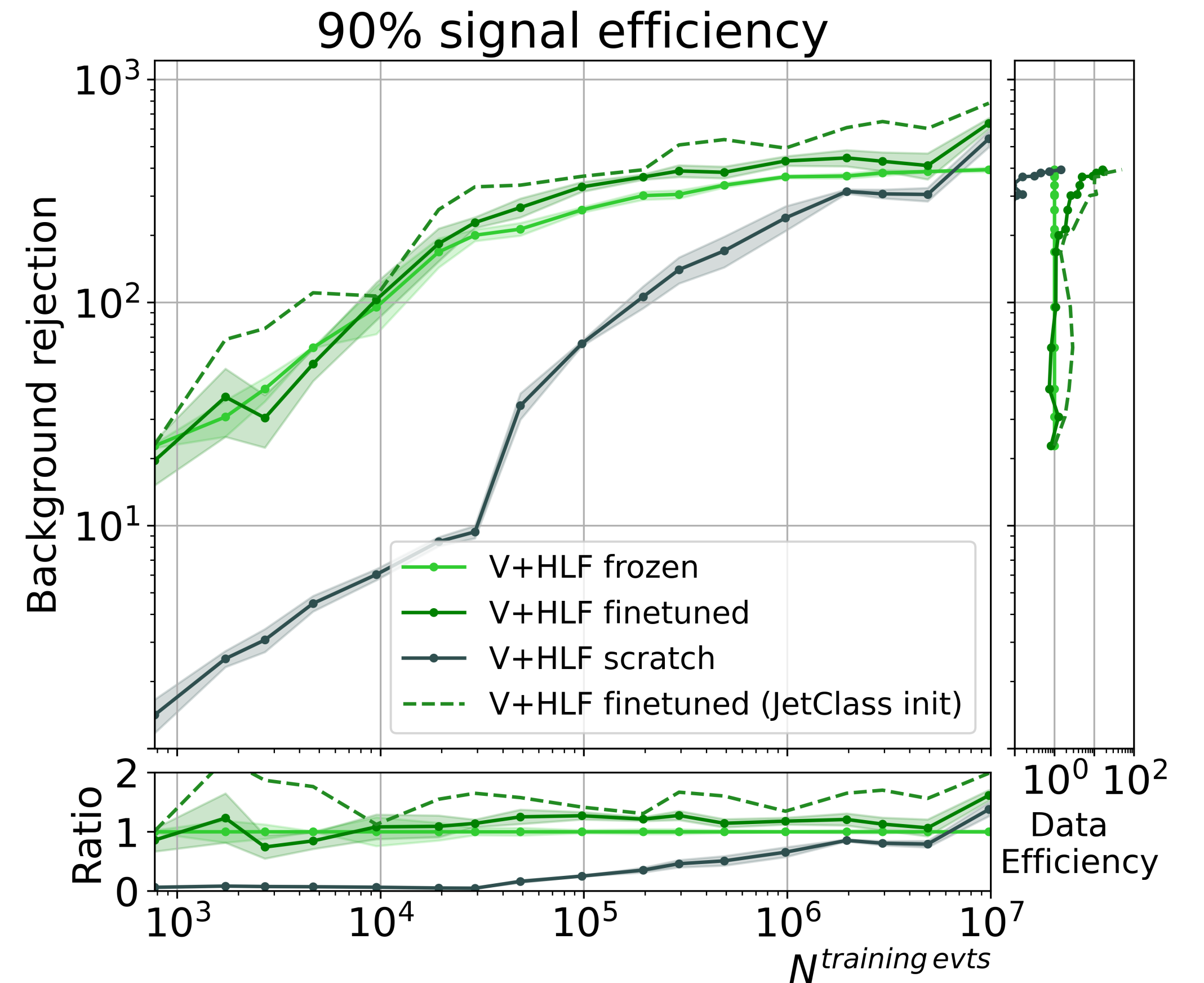
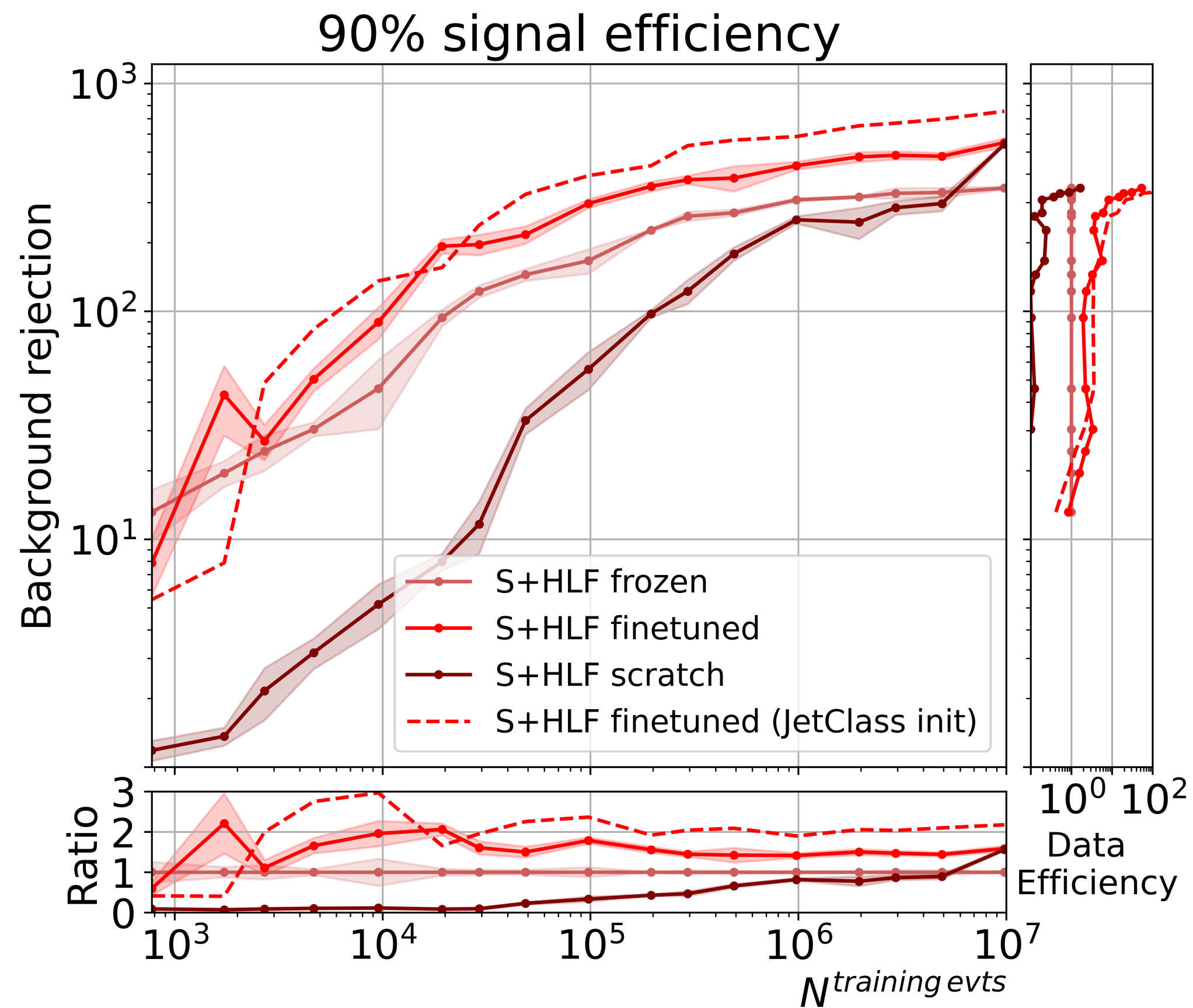
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Unsupervised backbone? Previous talk on “**Masked Particle Modeling**” by Samuel Byrne Klein

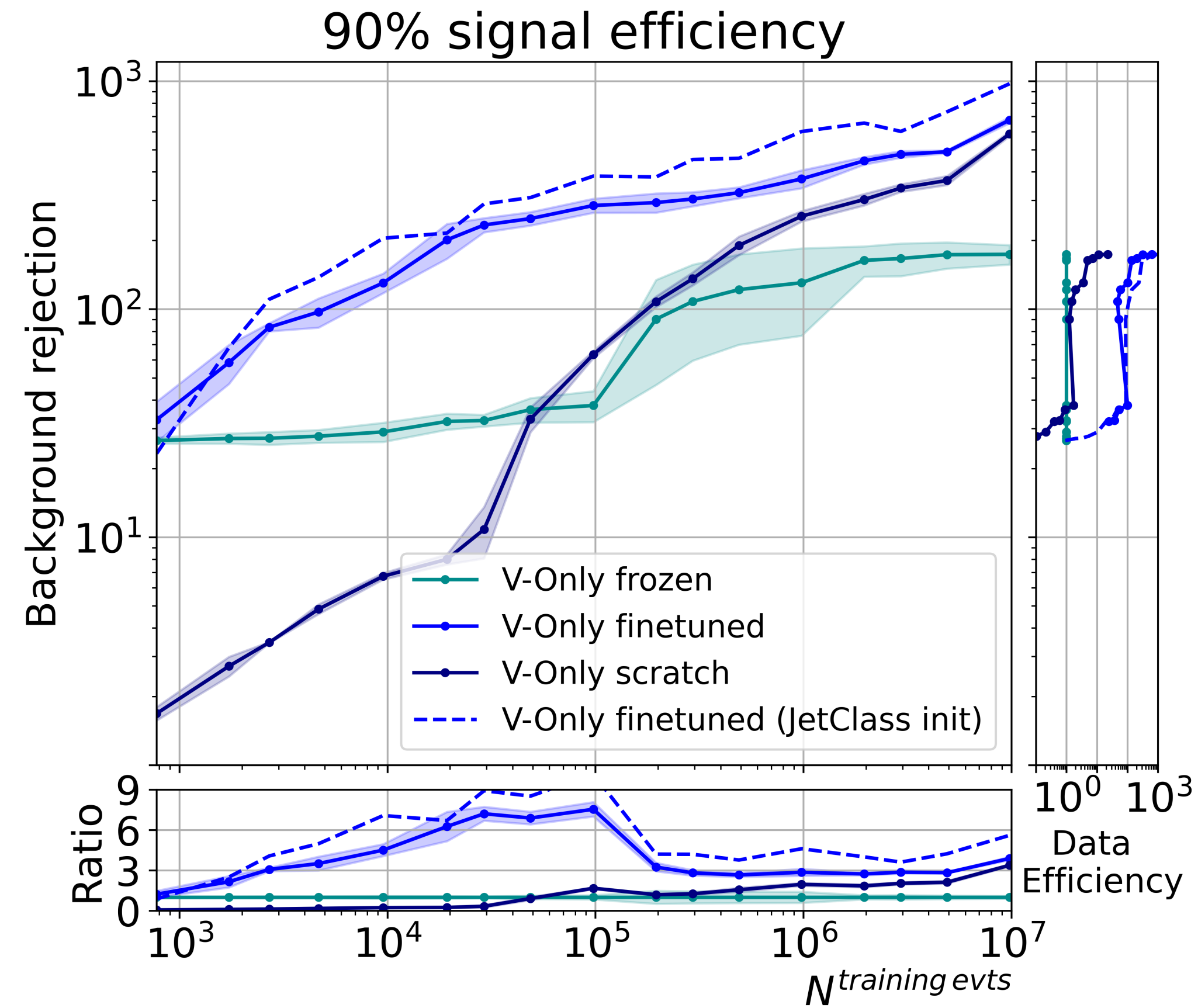


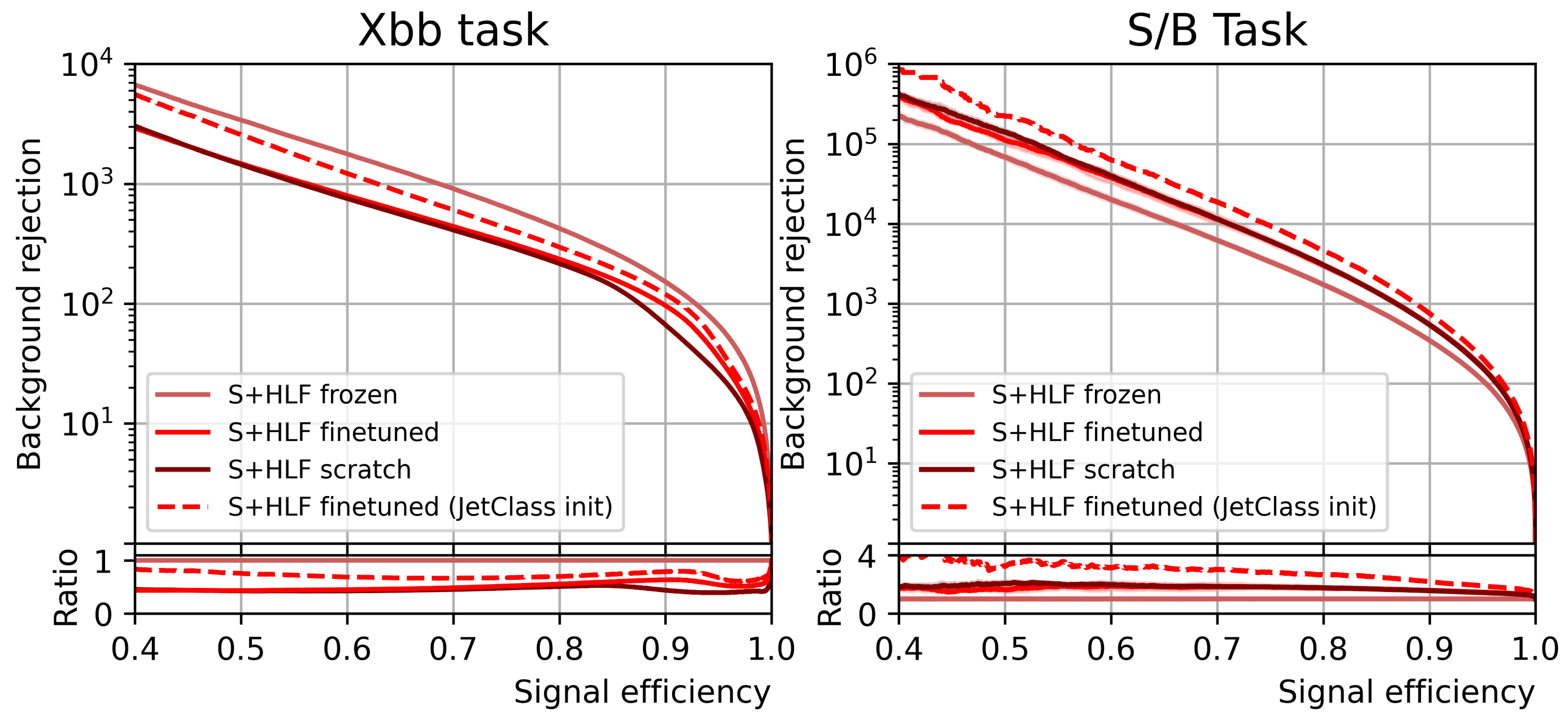
Backup

From scratch training eventually surpasses frozen models, it's just slow

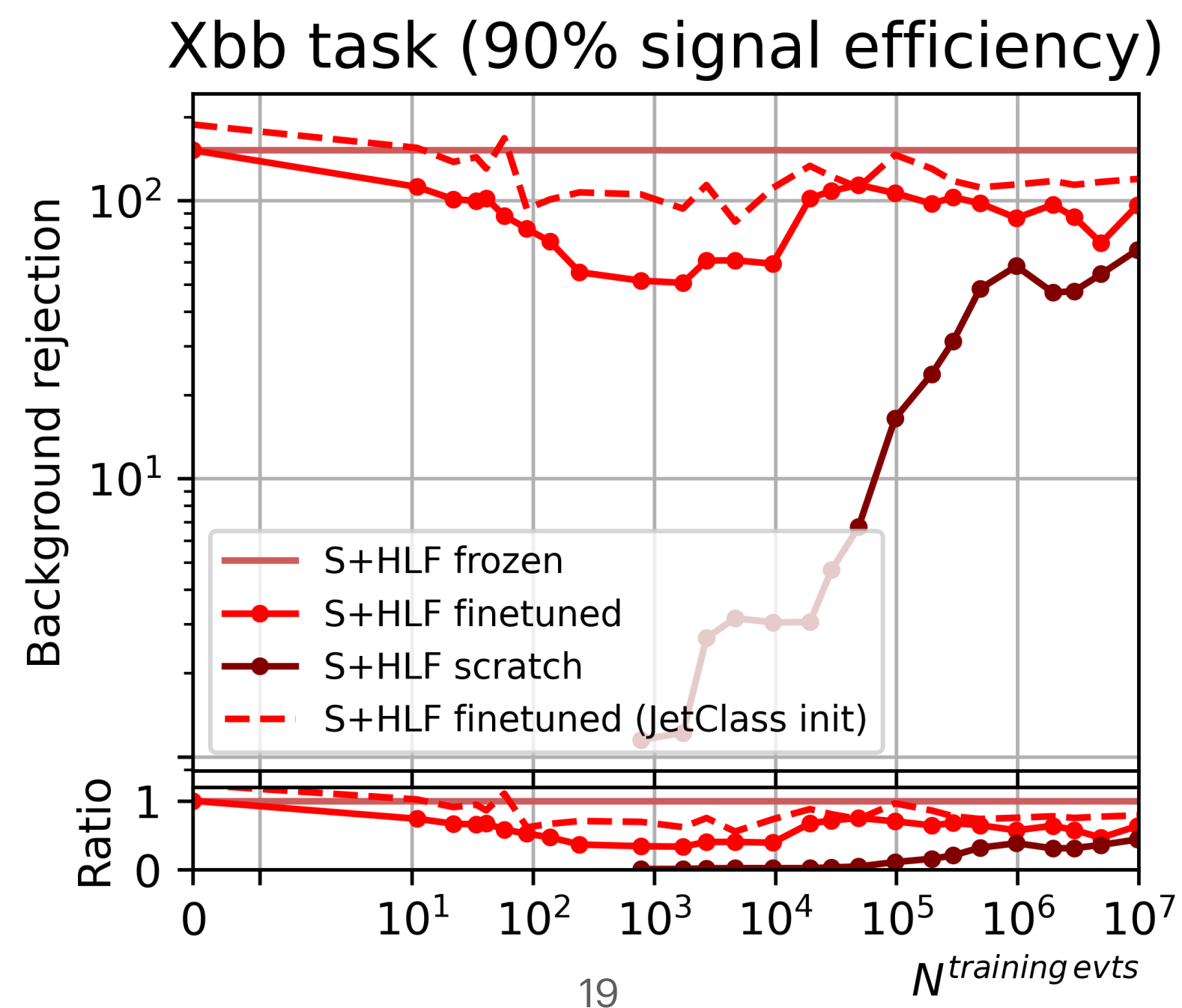


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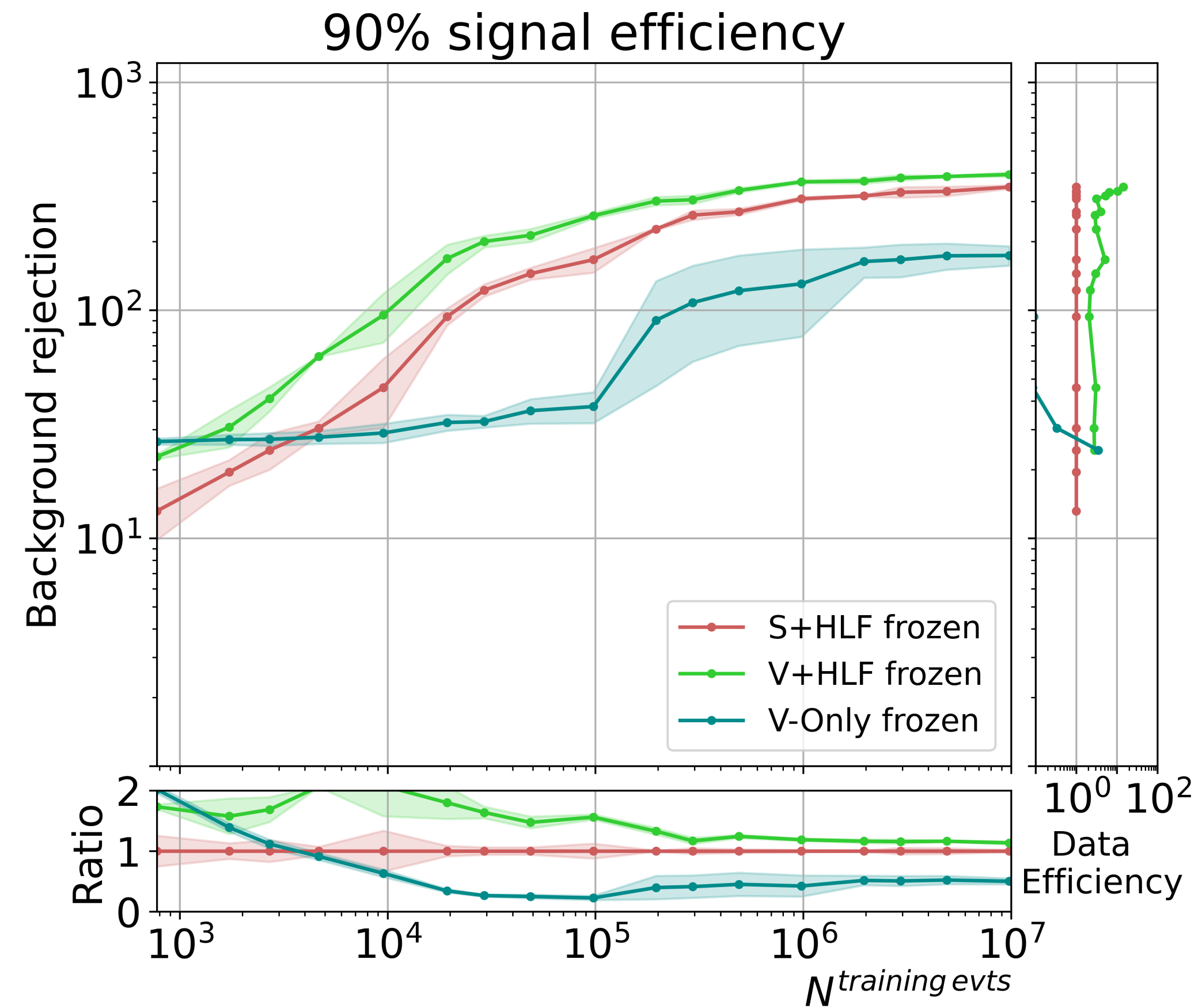




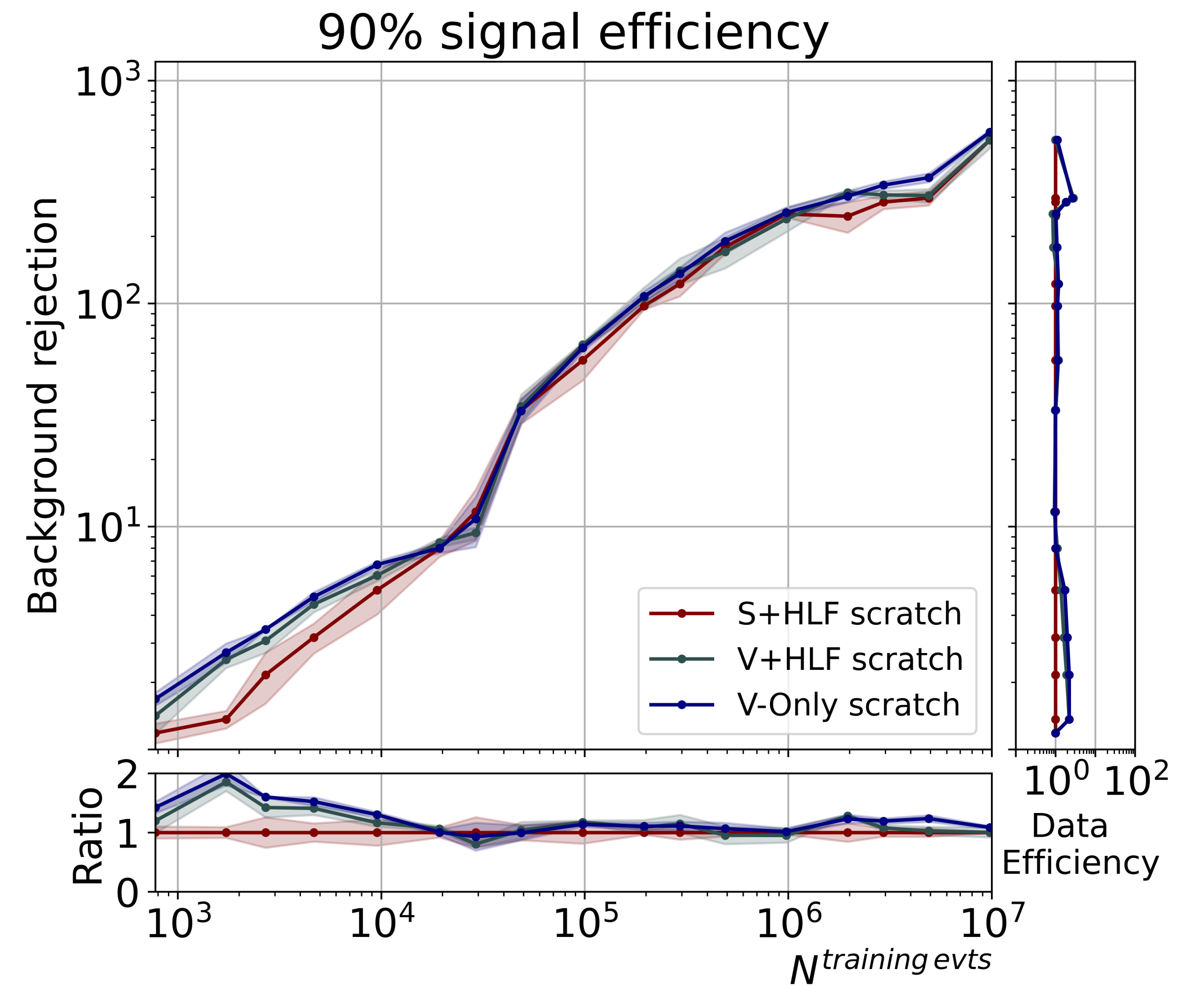
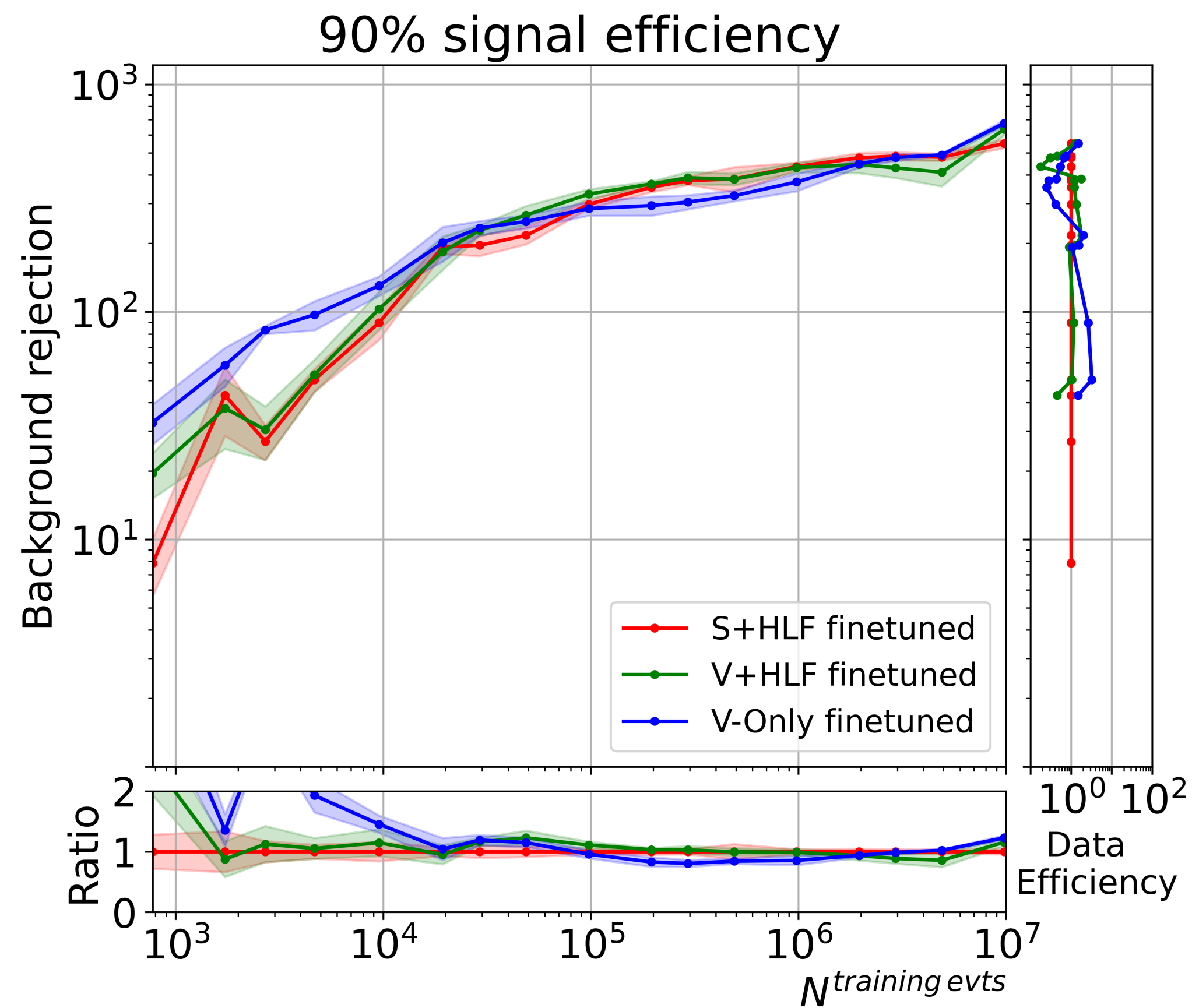
Xbb is learned when solving the downstream task even without actual jet labels



High dim embeddings help for frozen jet representations



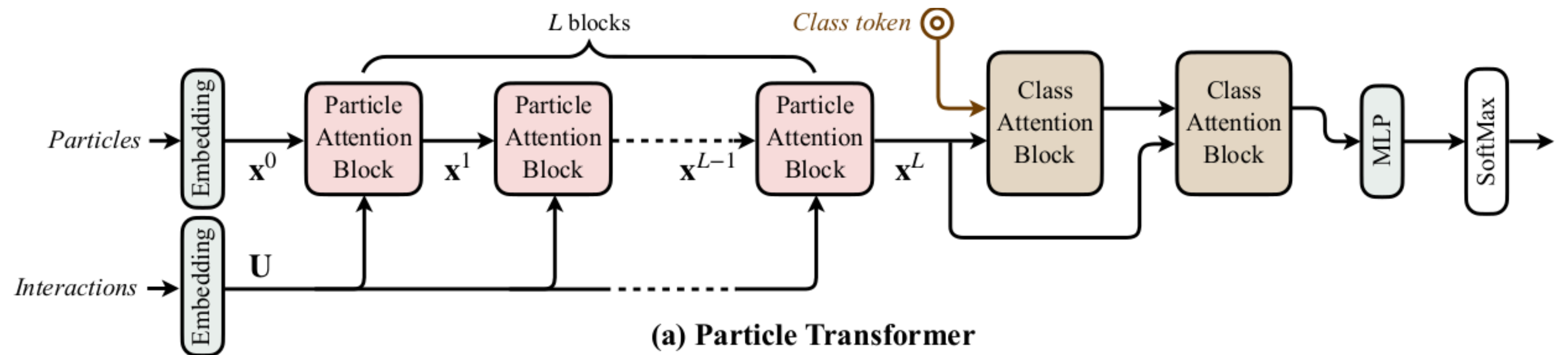
Dimensionality becomes less important when training end-to-end



Setup: CMS open data and ParT

CMS open data: Duarte Javier, [<http://opendata.cern.ch/record/12102>]

Jets are clustered using the anti-kT algorithm with $R=0.8$ from particle flow (PF) candidates



Constituents features:

- up to 100 PF per jet
- 17 features per PF

High-level features:

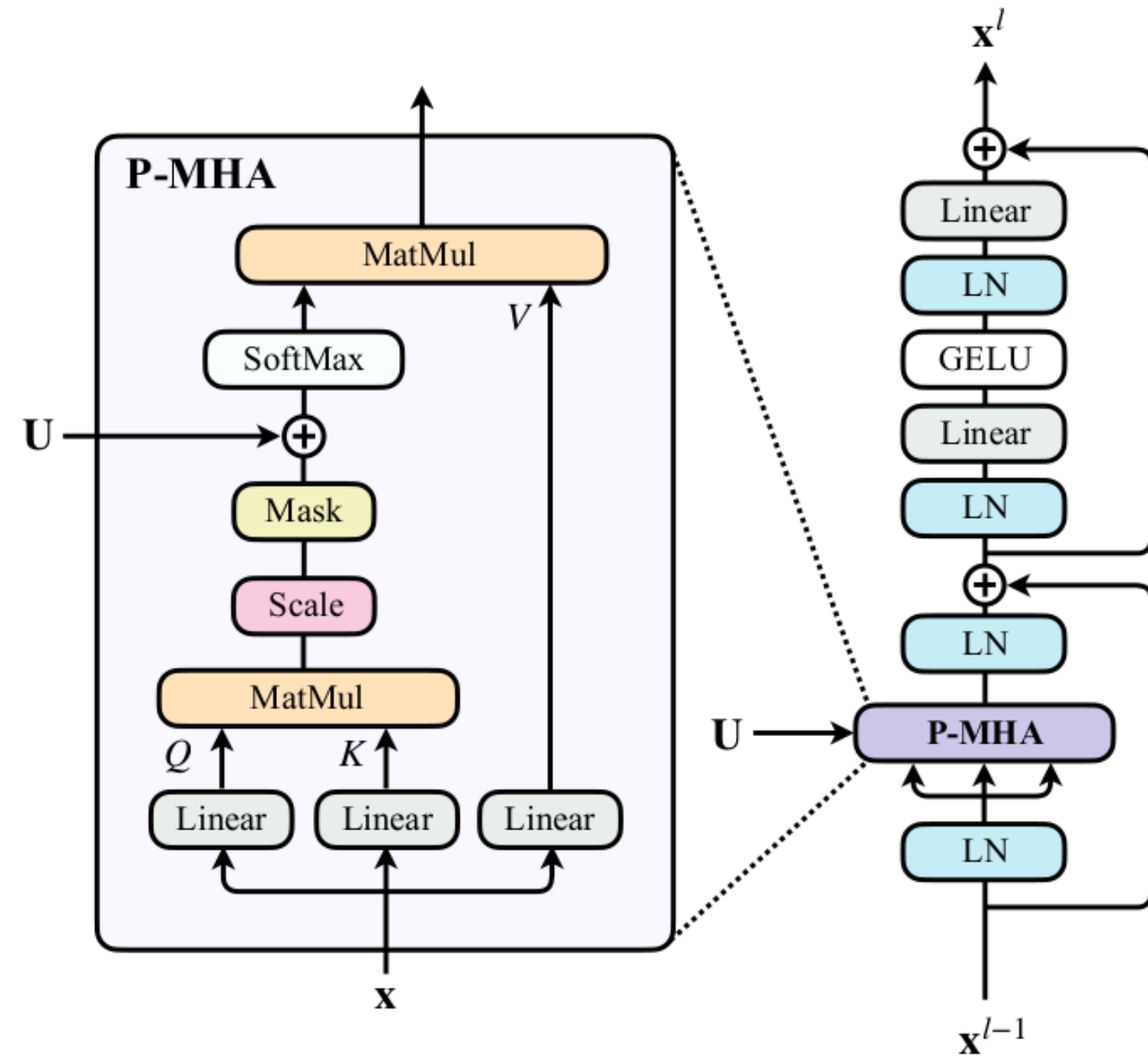
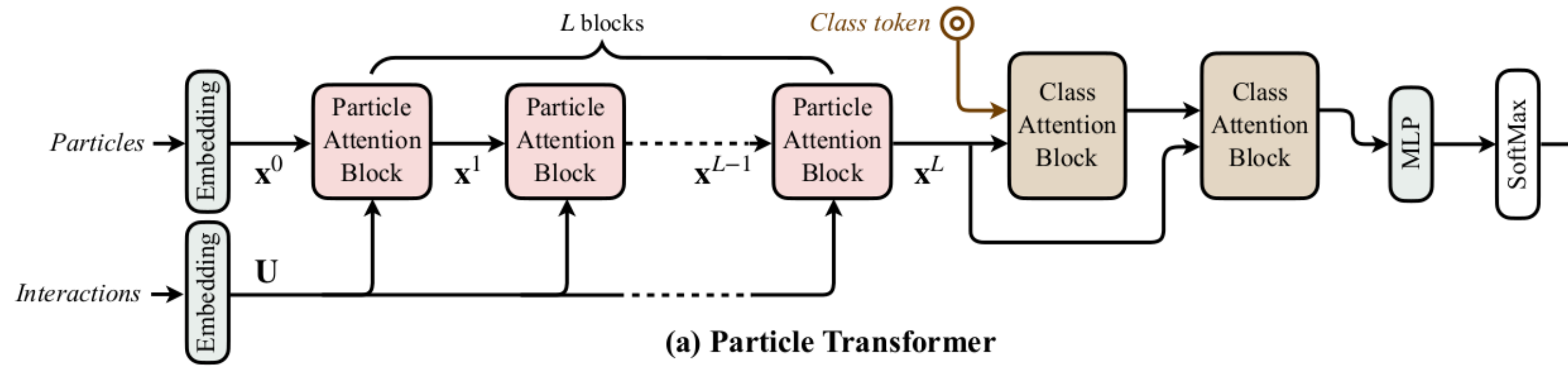
- Jet 4-momenta
- Xbb scores from ParT

Particle transformer for FTAG [arXiv:2202.03772]

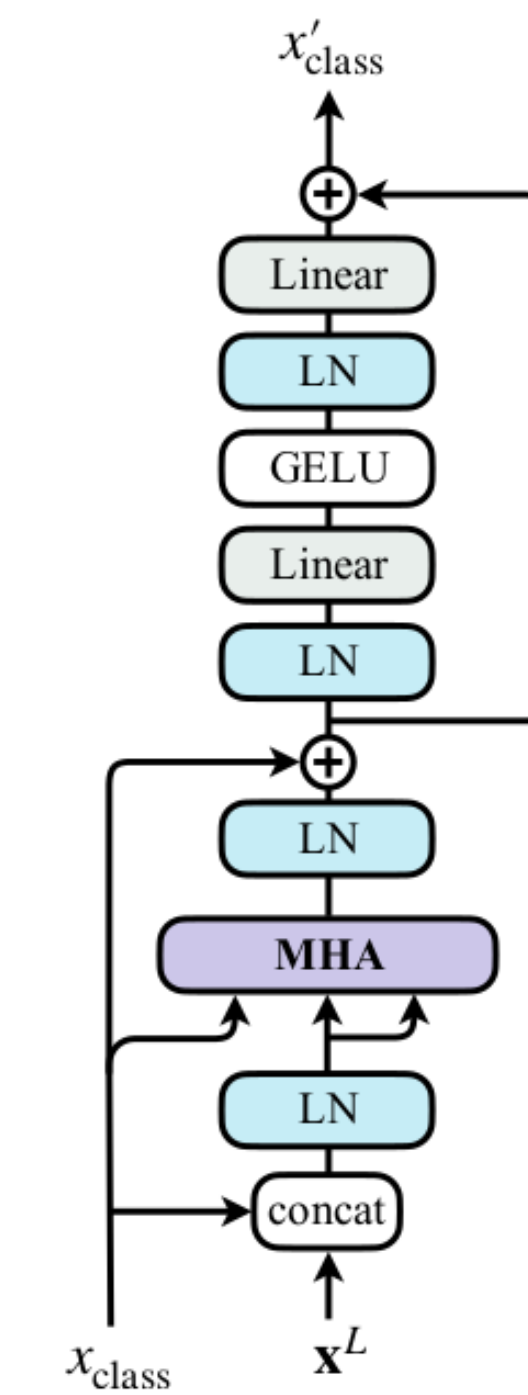
Training: QCD vs Higgs jets

10M events / 22M jets

ParT



(b) Particle Attention Block

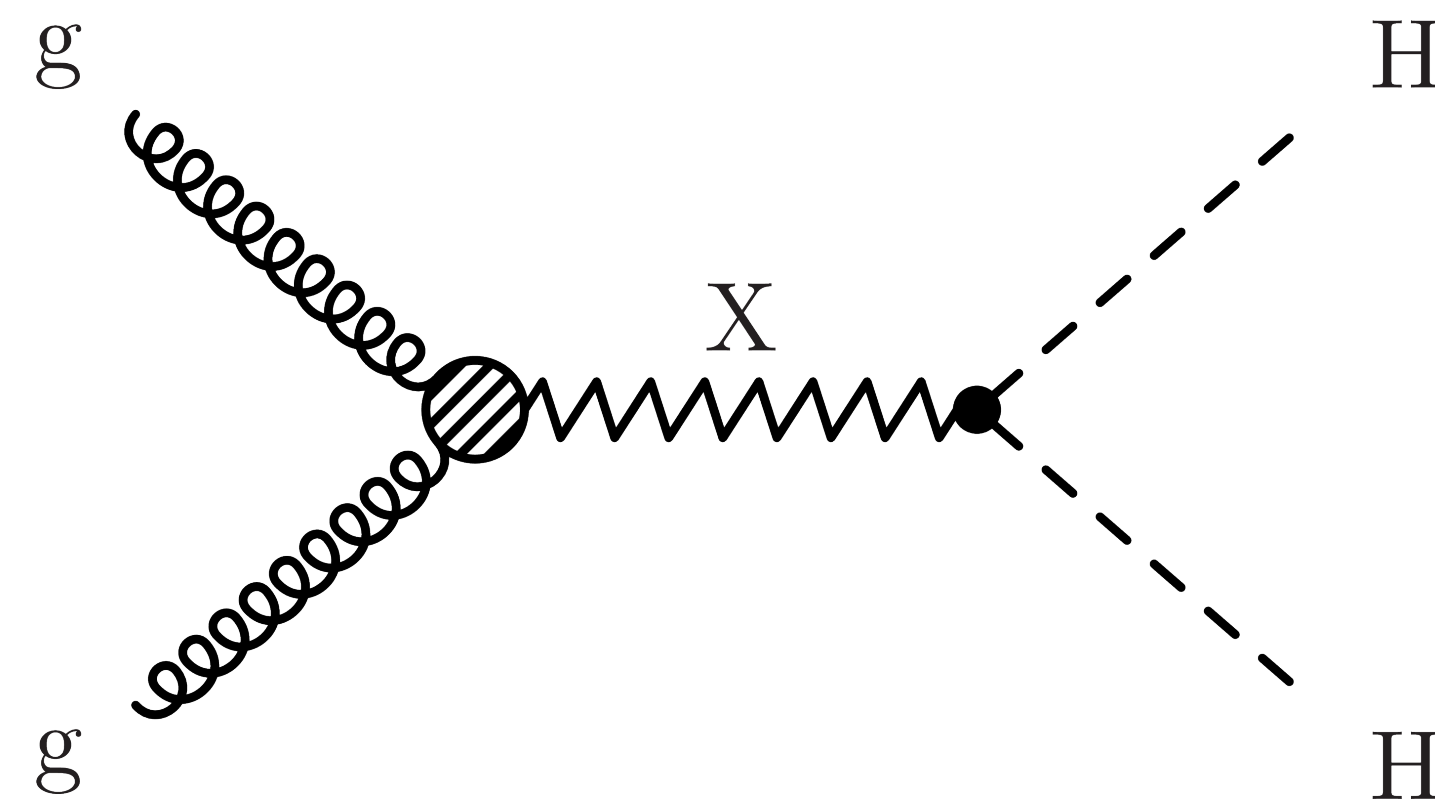


(c) Class Attention Block

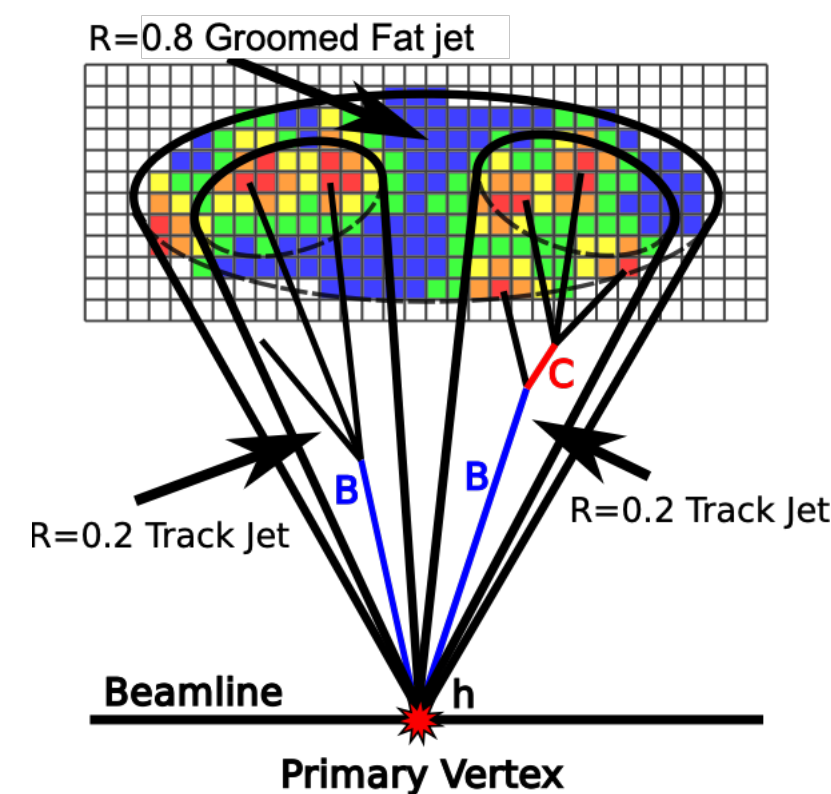
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CMS open data

- CMS simulated dataset:
- Sample with jet, track and secondary vertex properties for H(bb) tagging (<http://opendata.cern.ch/record/12102>)
- meant for jet tagging, up to 100 pf cand per jet - 17 feats each
- signal samples: 11 mass points
- M_x from 600 GeV to 4500 GeV, bkg: QCD multijet
- 'fat jets' (fj) 4-momenta and (old) Xbb score



10M events / 22M jets



[<http://cms-results.web.cern.ch/cms-results/public-results/publications/BTV-16-002/>]

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