

A Machine Learning Perspective on Hadronization Modeling with MLHAD

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Based on [SciPost Phys. 14, 027 \(2023\)](#), and 2311.XXXXX

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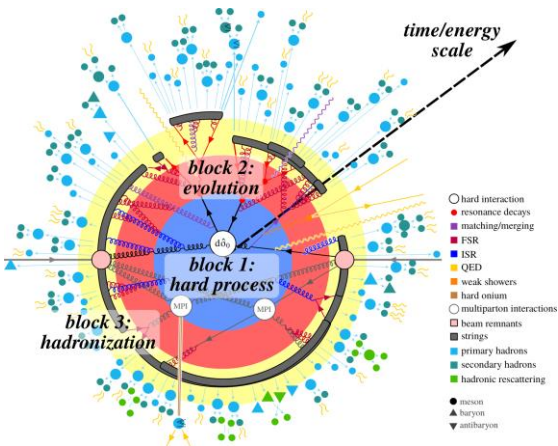
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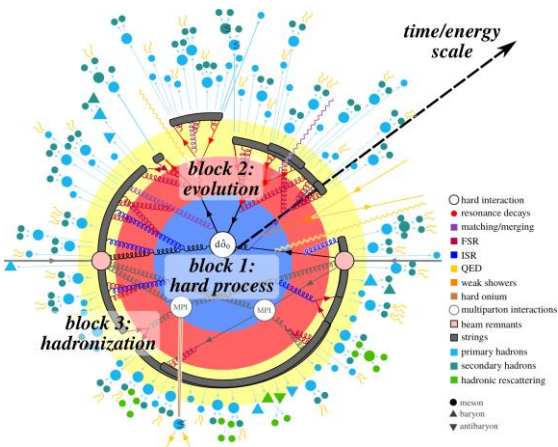
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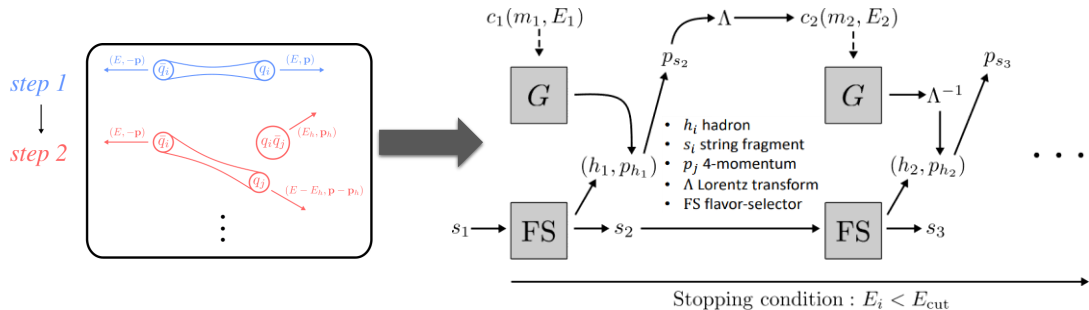
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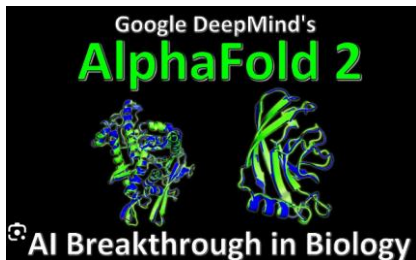
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We need a generative model!

Sample hadron kinematics:
Train on $\{\mathbf{p}_z, \mathbf{p}_T\}$

Emission of different Mesons:
Condition on mass (\mathbf{m}) and energy (\mathbf{E})



Reweighting Monte Carlo Predictions and Automated Fragmentation Variations in PYTHIA 8

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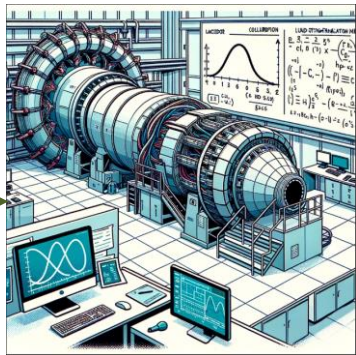
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MLHAD

Abstract

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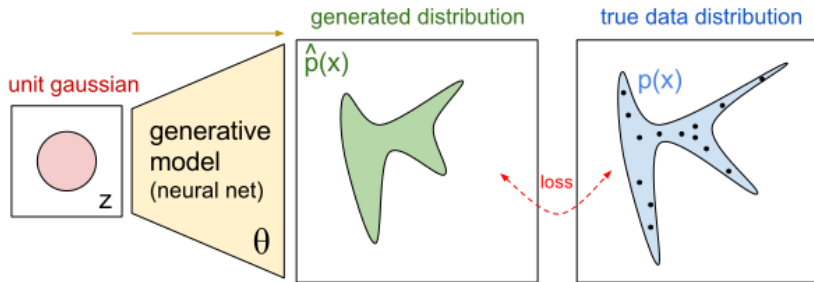
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How is this useful for us?



<https://openai.com/research/generative-models>



Source: [generative models](#)

\Rightarrow Task: Learn the probability distribution $p(x)$ of the data

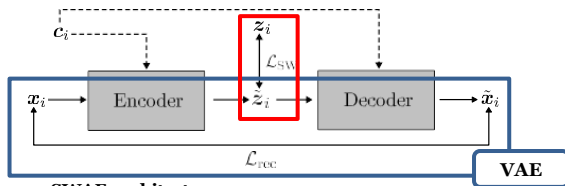
Which generative model should we choose?

Is it able to learn
**complex
distributions?**

Do we have access to
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distribution?**

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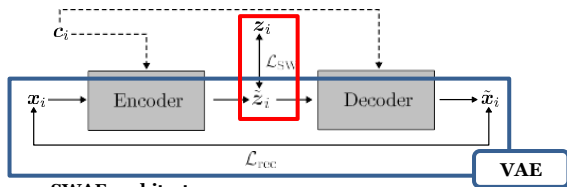
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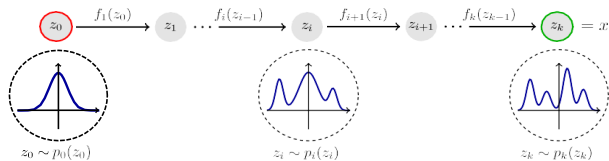
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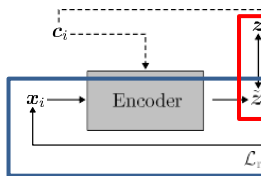
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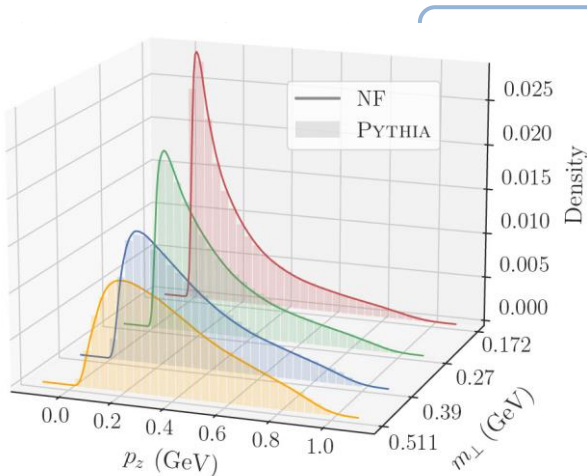
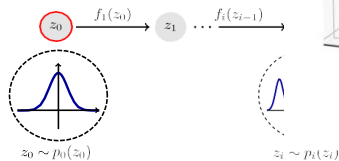
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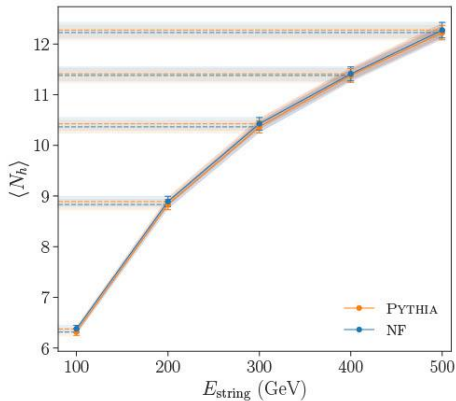
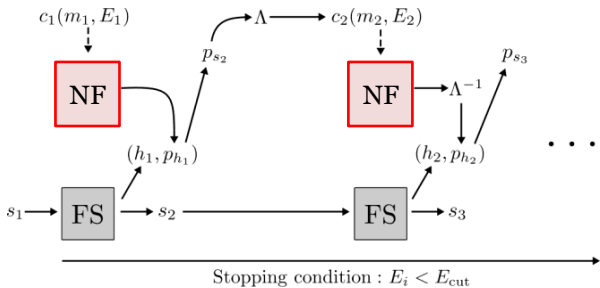
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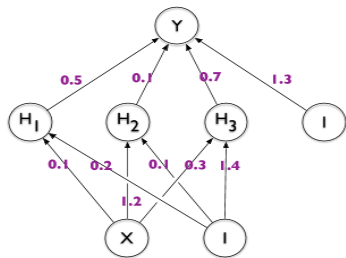
Implement NF in the fragmentation chain to obtain physical observables



\Rightarrow **Multiplicity obtained by MLHad agrees with Pythia!**

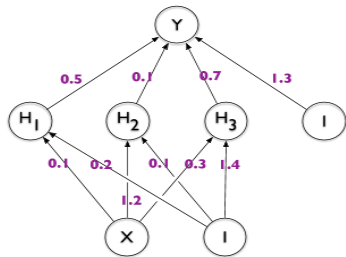
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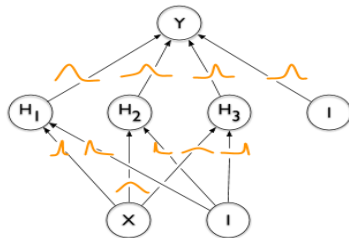
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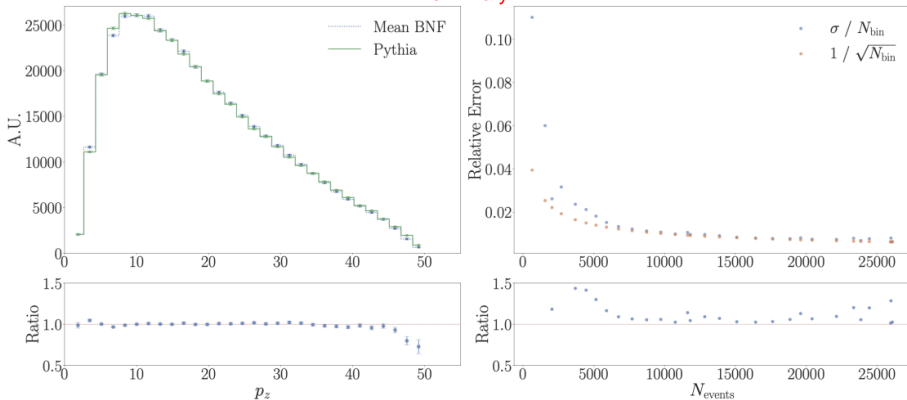
Bayesian Neural Networks (BNN)



Weights are sampled from a distribution
→ Distribution parameter are updated in each epoch

- **BNN are easy to implement: Add additional loss function for weight distribution**
- **Capture statistical and training uncertainties**

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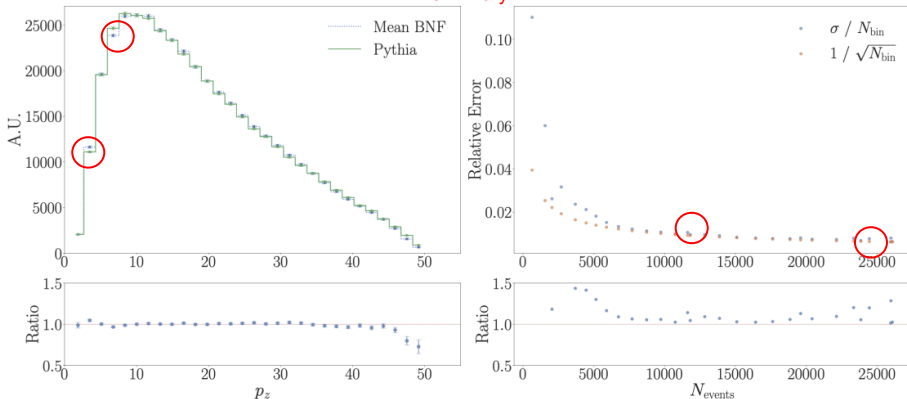
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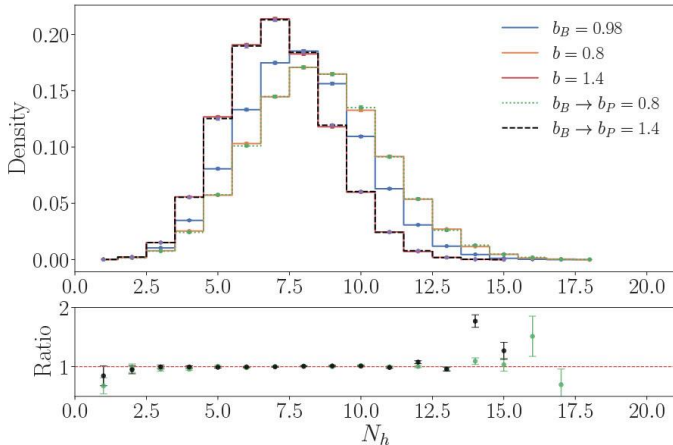
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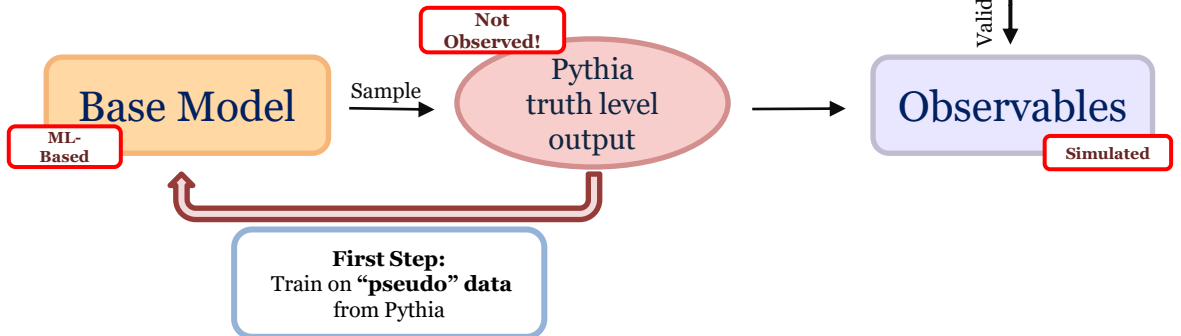
Train nominal NF conditioned on different b
→ Get likelihood

→ Reweight nominal output using ratio of likelihoods:

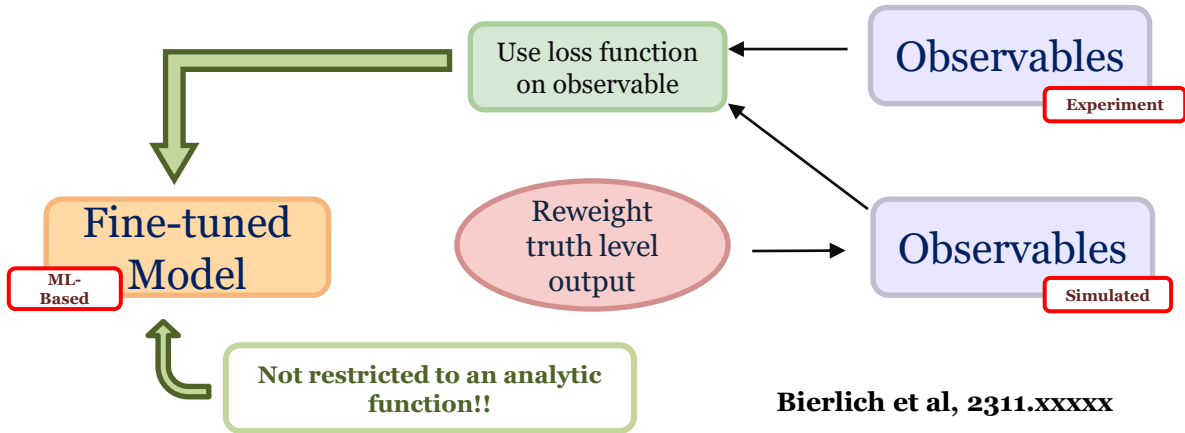
$$w = \prod_i \frac{p_{nom}^{(i)}(z)}{p_{pert}^{(i)}(z)}$$

MLhadPipeline

We developed a pipeline for
Hadronization based on the Lund model



MLhadPipeline



Bierlich et al, 2311.xxxxx

- First MLHAD pipeline based on cSWAE was published in [SciPost Phys. 14, 027 \(2023\)](#)
- NFs overcome the limitations of cSWAE - can emit in principle any meson and have access to pdf
- NFs allow us to reweight events and capture uncertainties

Work in progress

- Finalize normalizing flows architecture (include model uncertainty)
- PYTHIA reweighting (Release as part of Pythia)
- Flavor Selector
- Performing training on physically accessible observables to train MLHAD on **experimental data**

Backup

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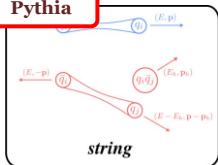
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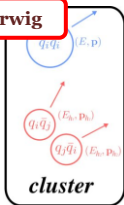
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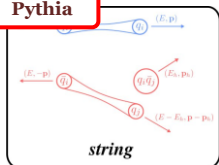
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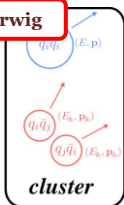
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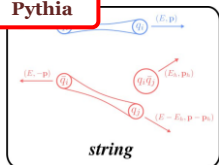
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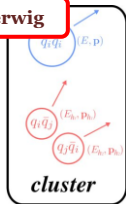
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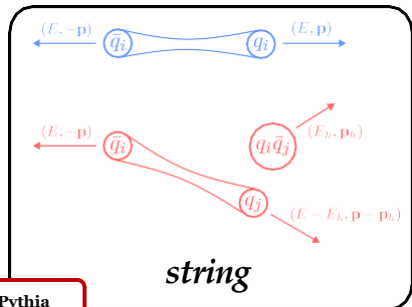
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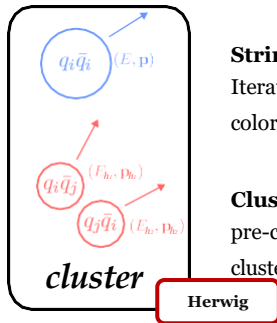
step 1



step 2



MLhad: Ilten, Menzo, Youssef, Zupan, 2203.04983,
<https://gitlab.com/uchep/mlhad>



HadML: (Chan, Ghosh,) Ju, (Kania), Nachman, (Sangli,) Siodmok, 2203.12660, 2305.17169

String model:

Iteratively split parton connected by QCD color strings with linear potential

Cluster model:

pre-confine partons into proto-clusters, then split by two-body decays

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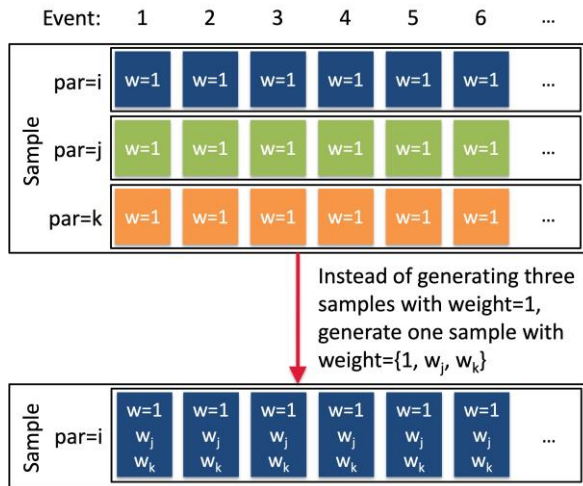
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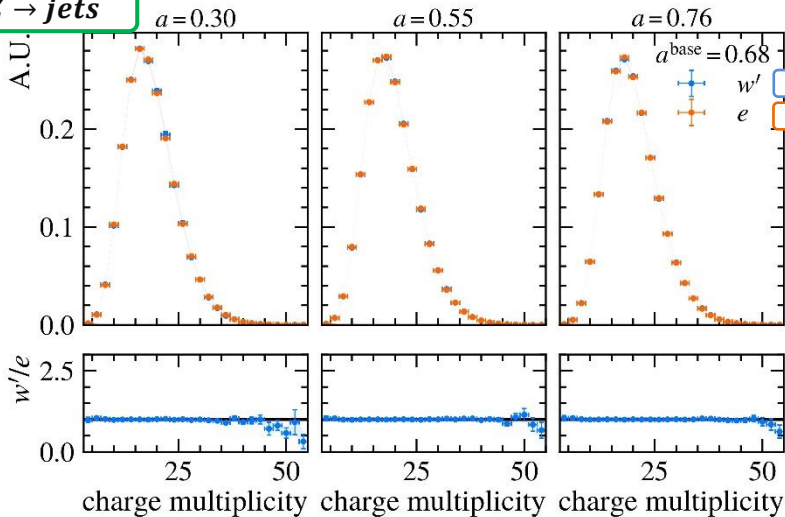
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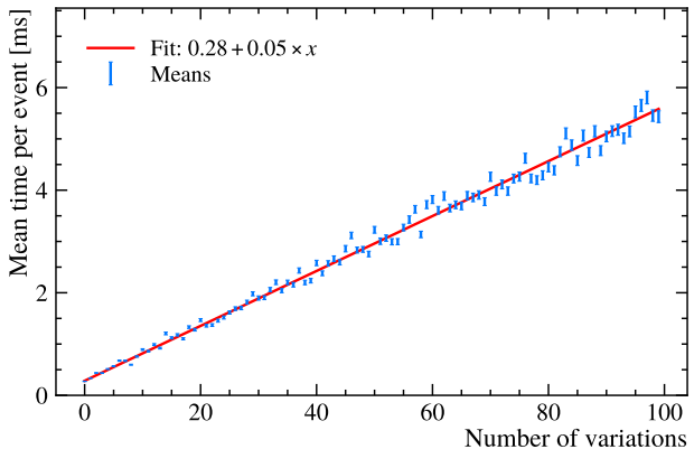
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- ➔ **Event generation is time consuming**
 - ➔ We want to reweight events without regenerating
- ➔ **Use a modified veto algorithm**
 - ➔ New event weights for different hadronization param are book kept
- ➔ **We calculate event weights for different hadronization options in a single event generation!**



$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow jets$

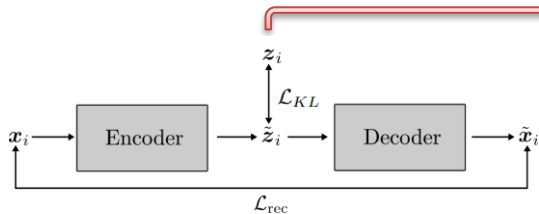




- ➔ **Generate 100 samples with different variations of aLund**
- ➔ **Each sample has 1000 events**
- ➔ **Cost per additional parameter variation is around 0.05 ms**
- ➔ **We have a speed up by a factor ~ 3**

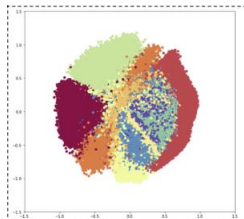
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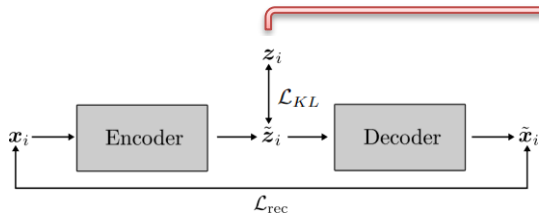
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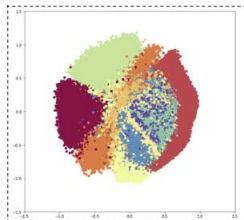
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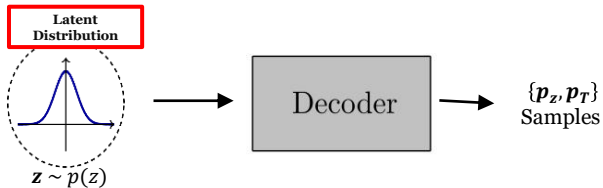
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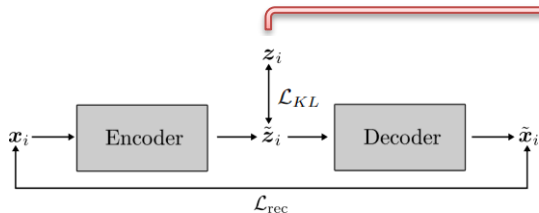
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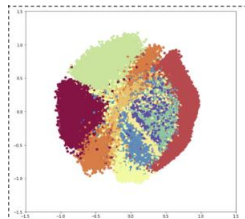
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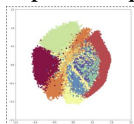
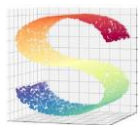
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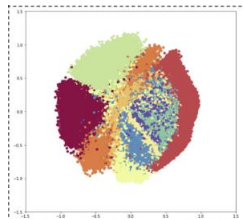
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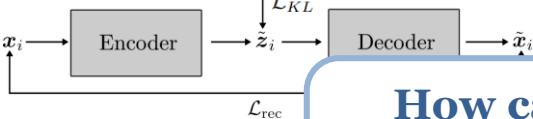
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How can we make VAEs learn more complex distribution?



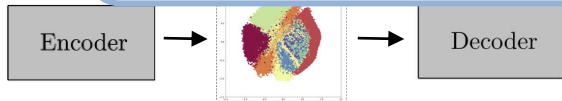
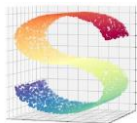
VAE latent space
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⇒ **Complex distribution are hard to learn!**



Vanilla VAE

Complex input data

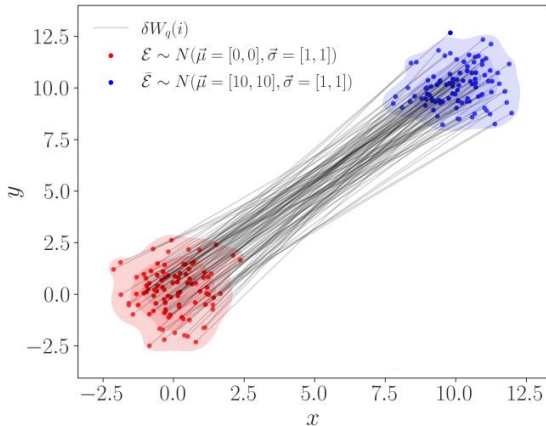


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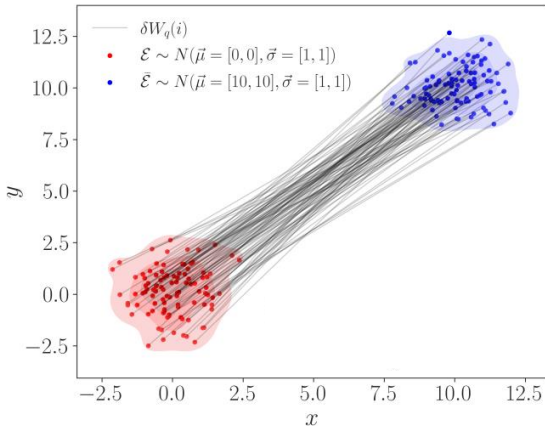
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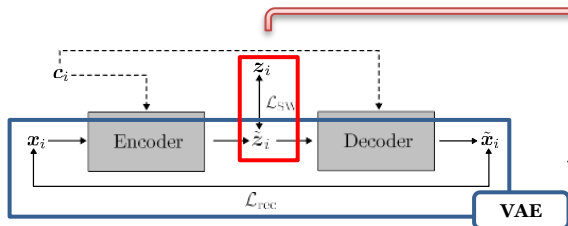
- ➔ Projects high dimensional data into one dimensional “slices”
- ➔ WD in 1D has a closed form solution
- ➔ Sorted Difference of the two samples



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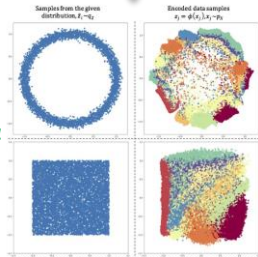


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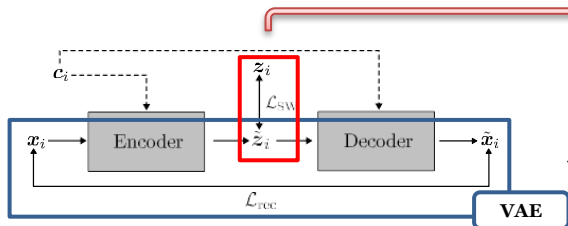
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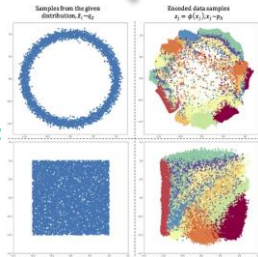


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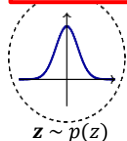
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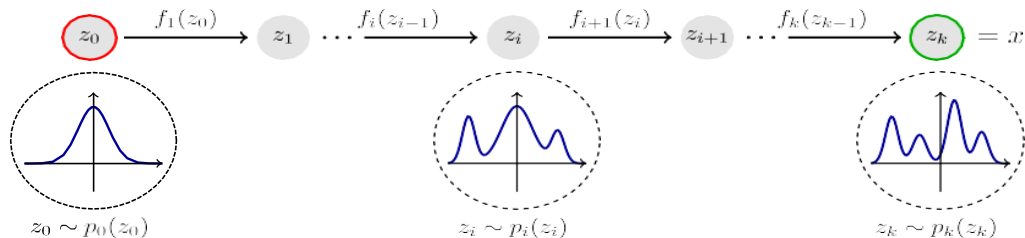
Decoder “just” generates samples

⇒ No access to the probability distribution

Latent
Distribution



$\{p_z, p_T\}$
Samples



z_0 - random vector
sampled from a
Gaussian $p_0(z_0)$

f_i - invertible NN that
transforms $p_0(z_0)$ to $p_i(z_i)$
by change of variables

Complex target distribution
 $p_k(z_k)$ is learned

⇒ **Can learn complex distributions!**

**Exact probability distribution is
obtained by change of variables**

$$p_k(z_k) = p_0(z_0) \prod_{i=1}^K \left| \det \left(\frac{\partial f_i(z_{i-1})}{\partial z_{i-1}} \right) \right|^{-1}$$

⇒ **Access to the exact probability distribution**

**Removed pion
emission restriction**

➔ Propagation of errors

- ➔ ML architecture with Bayesian Normalizing Flows (presented in part)

➔ Train on observables only

- ➔ Two part reweighter (not part of the talk)
- ➔ Train on global observables with Fine tuning (results not shown in this talk)

➔ To train on experimental data

- ➔ Want fast evaluation of parameter dependency
- ➔ Use reweighting method
- ➔ First implementation in Pythia for Lund string model (to be released soon in Pythia)

Back up

***Preliminary**

