



Foundation Models for Collider Physics: AI as a Tool for Discovery

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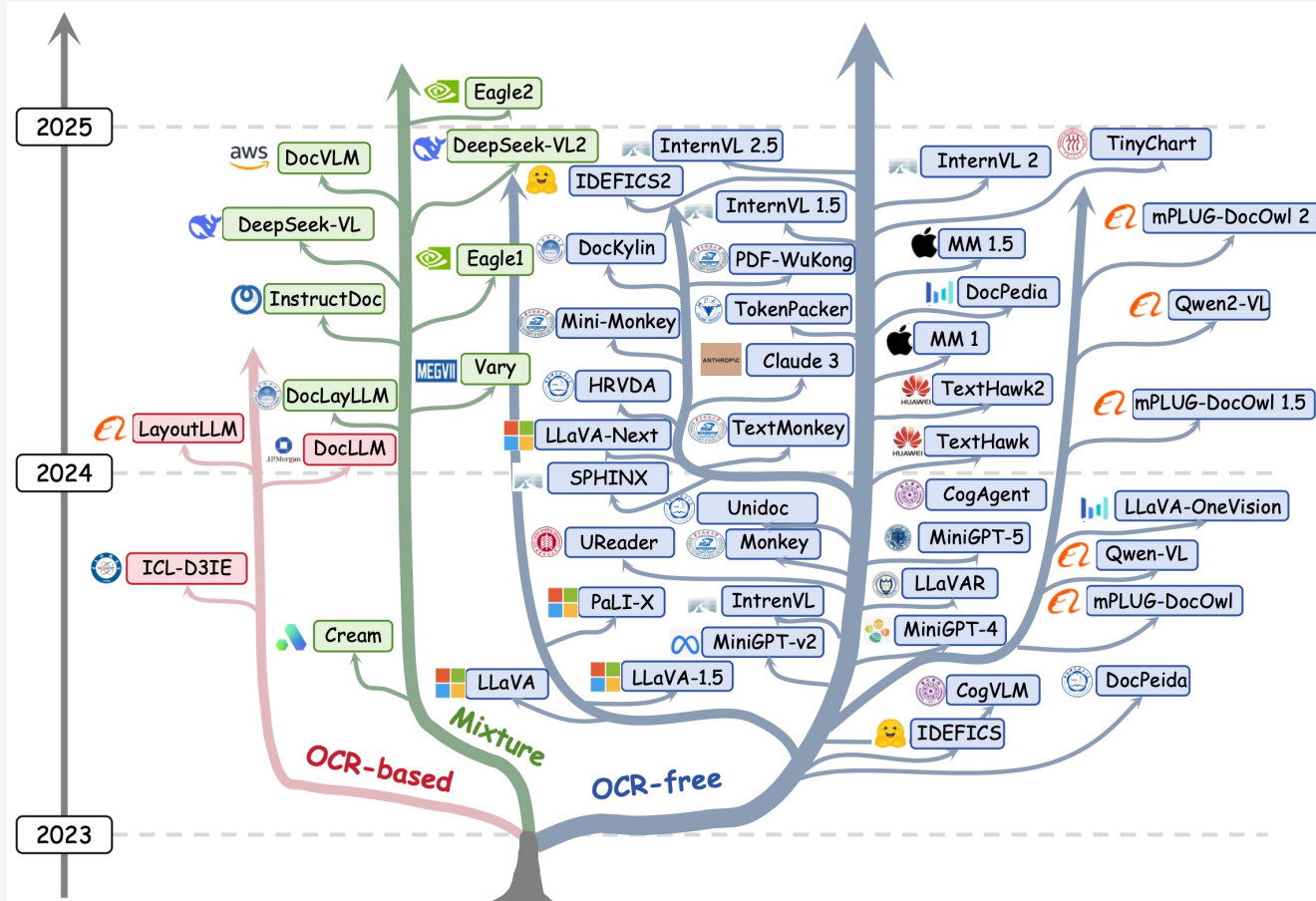
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Large Language Model is changing the world...



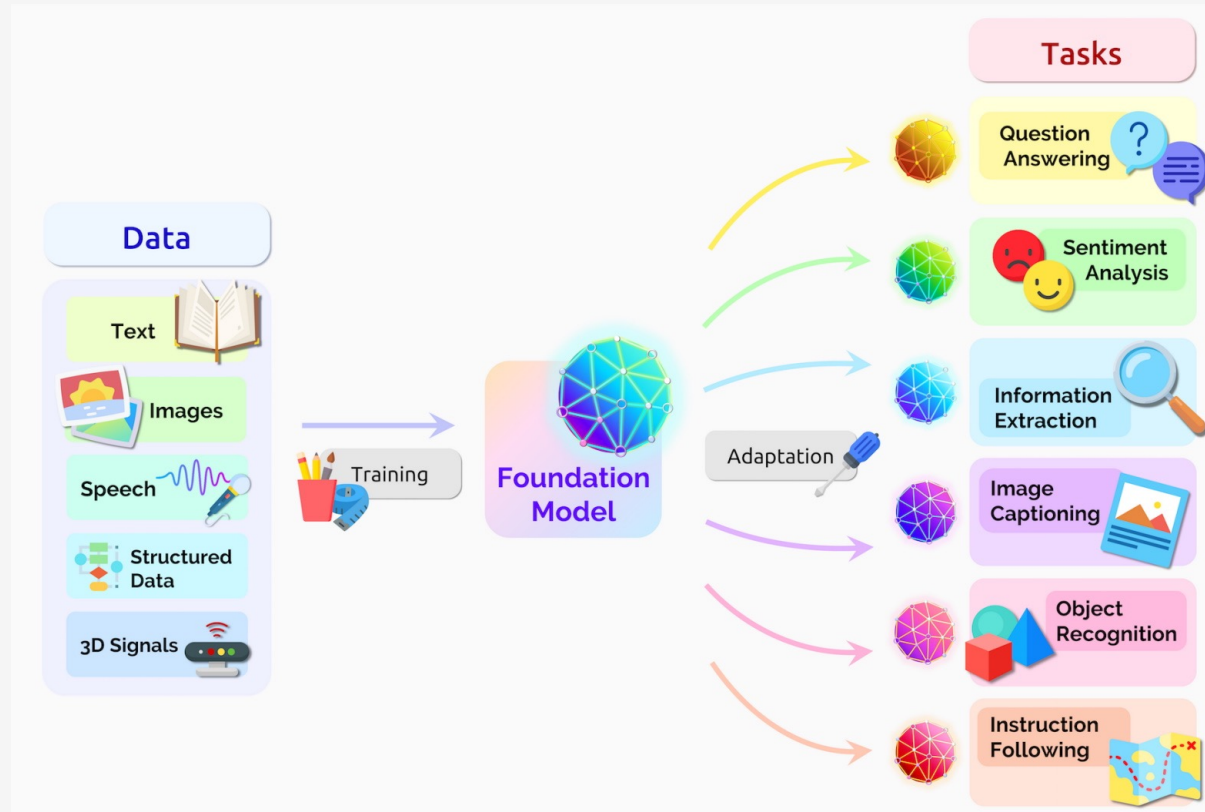
- Transformers (self-attention, multi-head attention)
- Positional encoding
- Sparse / Mixture-of-Experts (MoE) layers
- Scaling laws (compute, data, parameters)
- Pretraining on large dataset
- Fine-tuning (task-specific adaptation)
- Chain-of-Thought (CoT) prompting
- ...

➤ **Foundation Model**

Foundation Model

[arXiv: 2108.07258](#)

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- One model, many tasks

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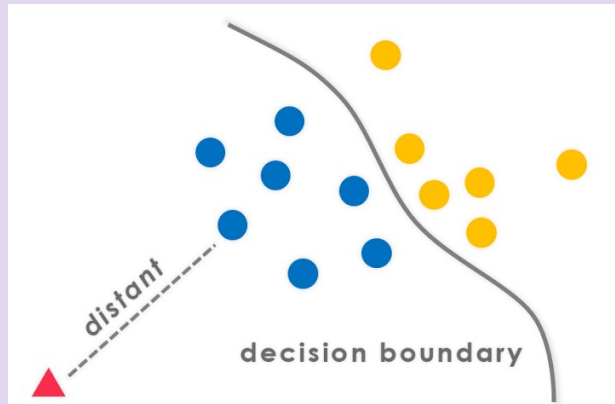
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Multimodal potential:

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Understanding Today's ML Tasks in HEP

Discriminative



Physics Process Classification

Classification for underlying physics process



Resonance Segmentation

Map objects to queries



Resonance Detection

Prob. of existence of resonance A



Resonance Mapping

Mapping objects to resonance A

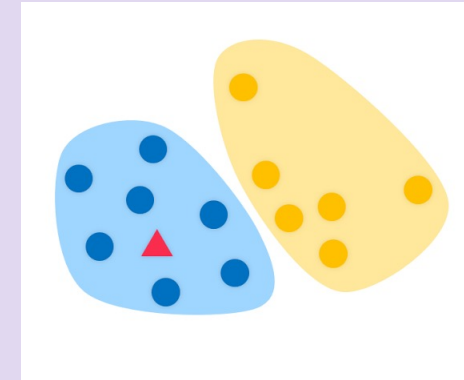


Resonance Classification

Class for each queries

And more...

Generative



Invisible Particle Prediction



Physics event Generation

Can we **unify** these diverse tasks **under one framework?** 

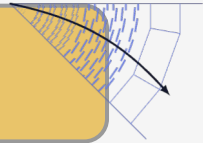
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Large-scale
HEP Dataset



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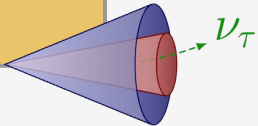
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Event-level
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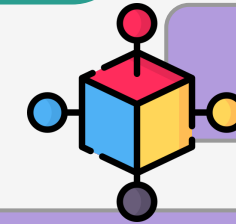


Training

Foundation
Model

Tasks

Classification



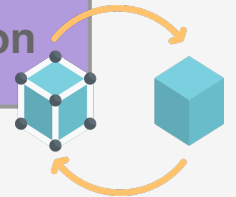
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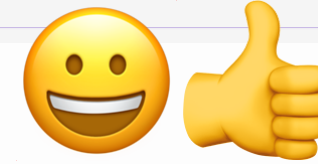
Generation



Reconstruction



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reconstructed & calibrated objects

Pros:

- Already **calibrated** and **validated by the experiment**.
- Topology is clear and interpretable (jets, leptons, MET, etc.).
- Closest to **final physics interpretation** → straightforward connection to analysis.
- **Lower** computational cost (compact representation).
- **Less dependent** on **detector design** or **experiment-specific effects** → more portable across experiments and closer to physics truth.

Cons:

- Strongly **dependent on reconstruction algorithms** (jet clustering, tau ID, lepton calibration, etc.).
- Potential **biases** and **information loss** introduced during reconstruction.

Large-scale HEP Dataset

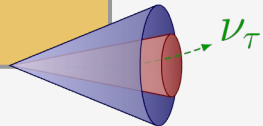


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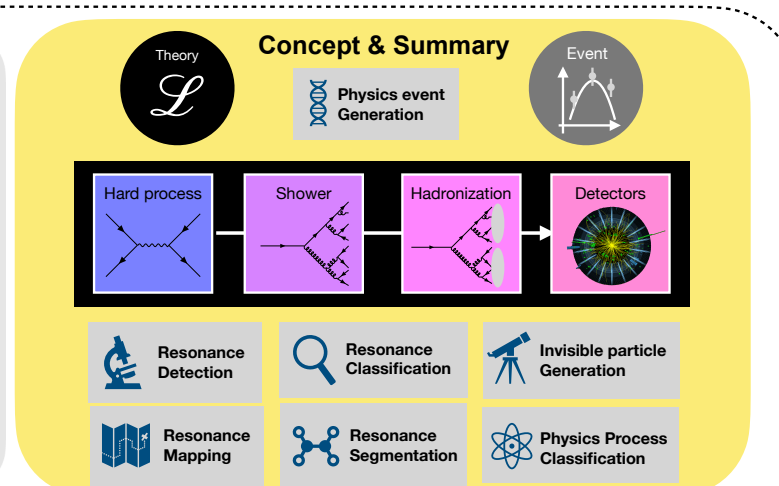
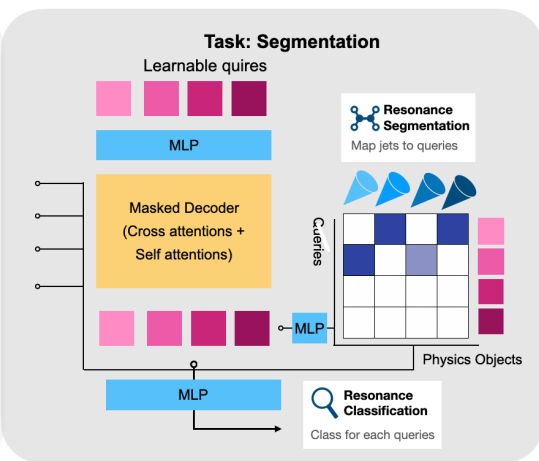
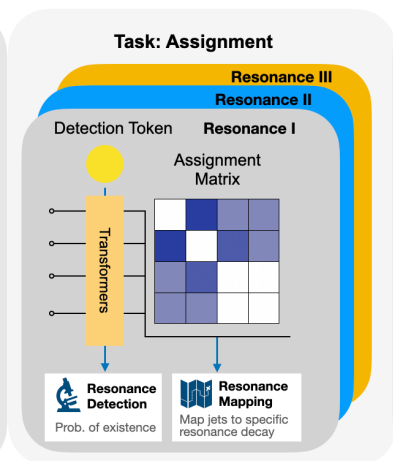
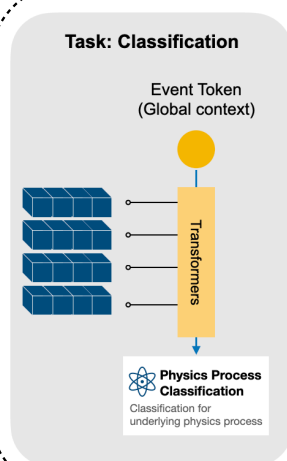
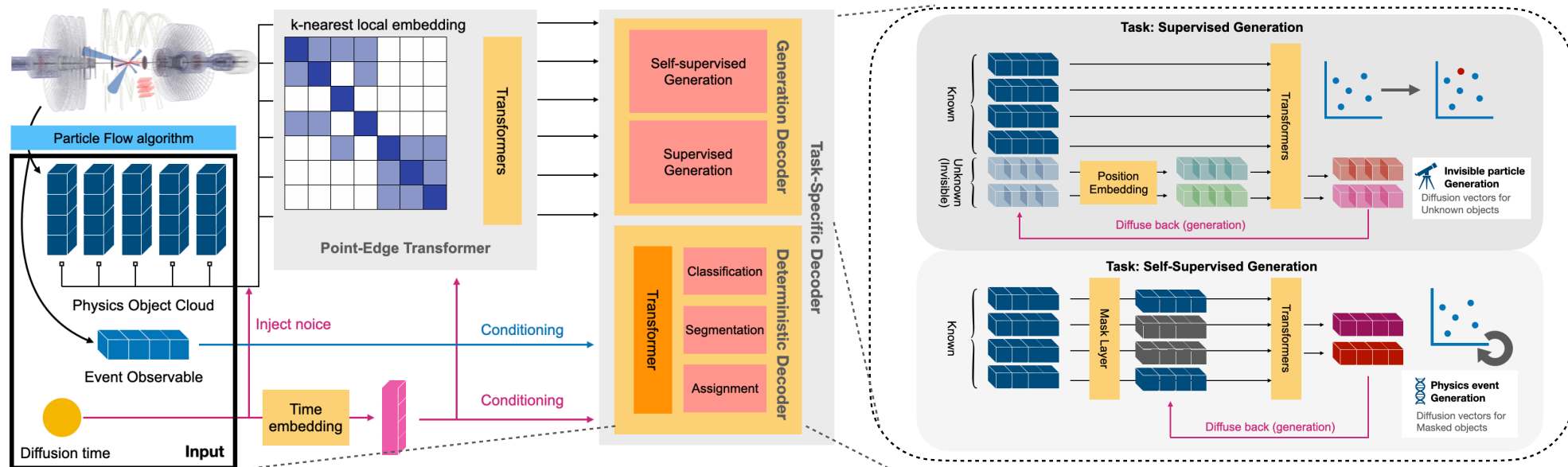
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EveNet: Our Answer to Event-Level Foundation Models



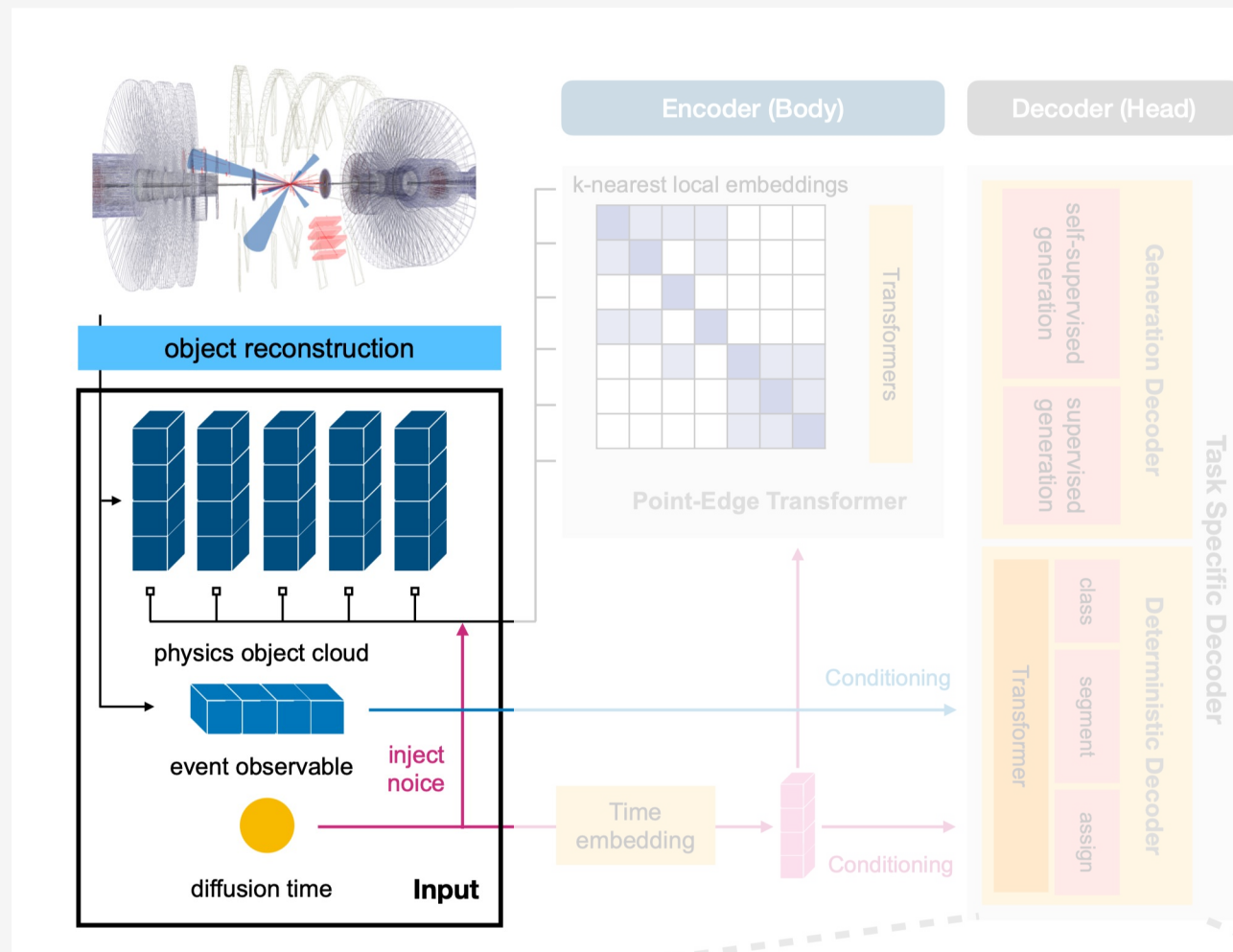
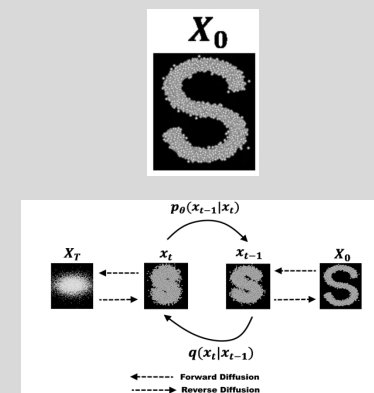
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1 2 3 4 Input Representation

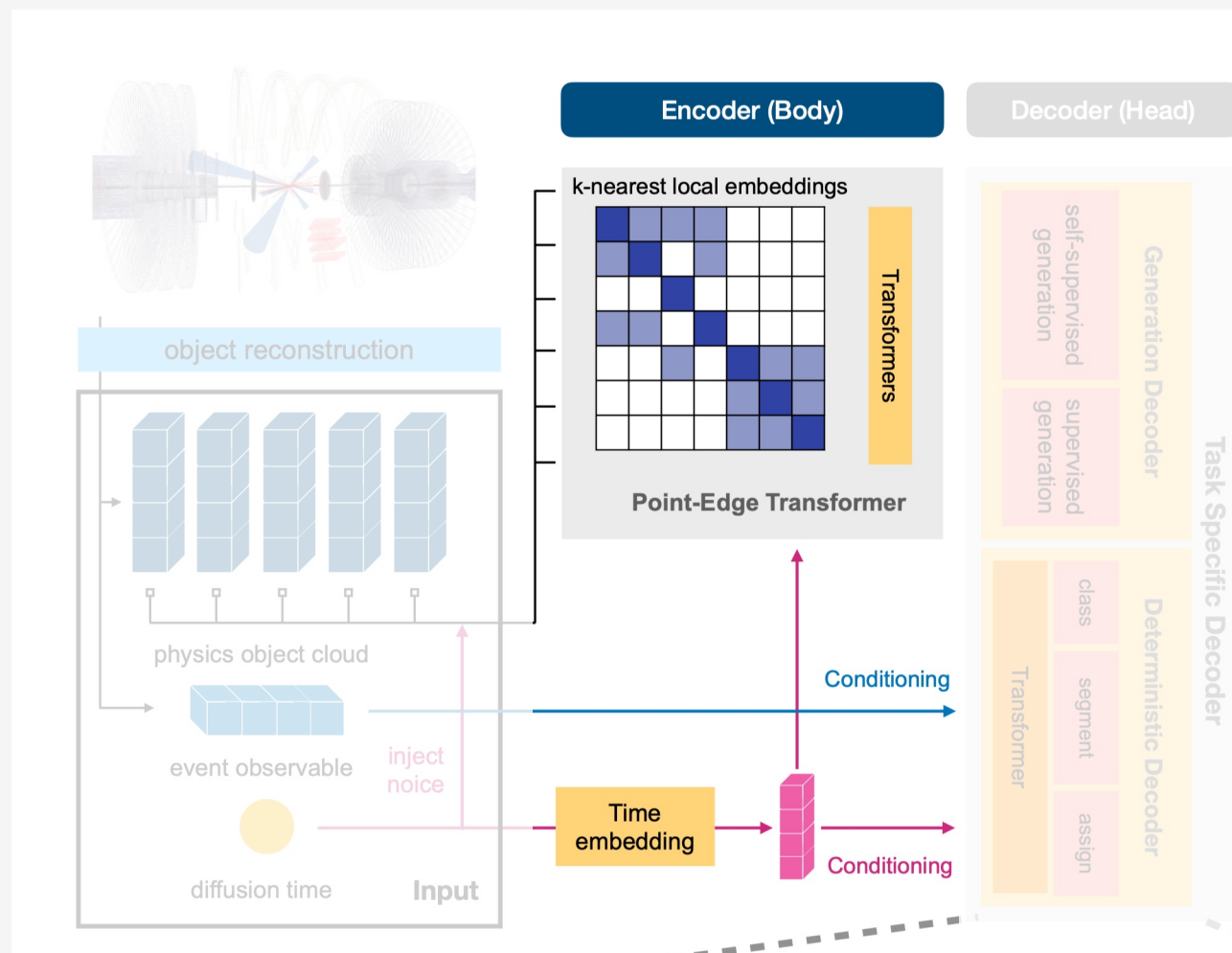
- 📌 **Particle Cloud (Up to 18 Particles per Event):**
 - Each particle is encoded with 7 features: **4-momentum**, **isbJet**, **isLepton**, and **charge**.
- 🌐 **Global Features / Event Observables:**
 - Missing transverse energy
 - Number of leptons, number of jets
 - Invariant mass of visible objects
 - Scalar sums like **HT**, **ST**, etc.

Un-perturbed PC
for deterministic tasks...

Perturbed PC
for diffusion model and
noise tolerance training



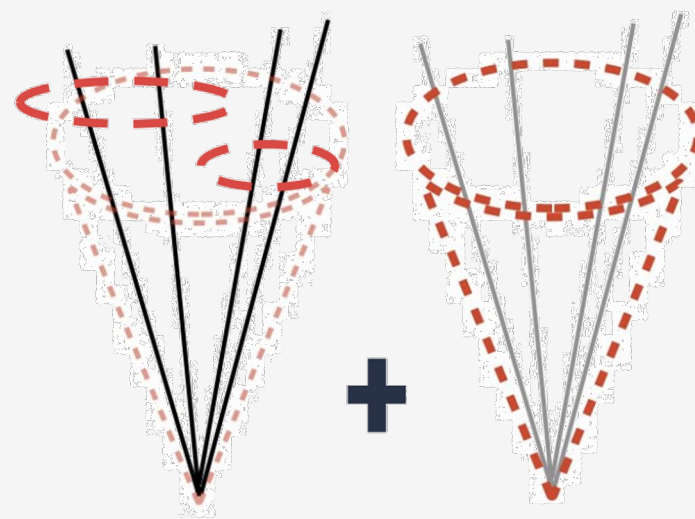
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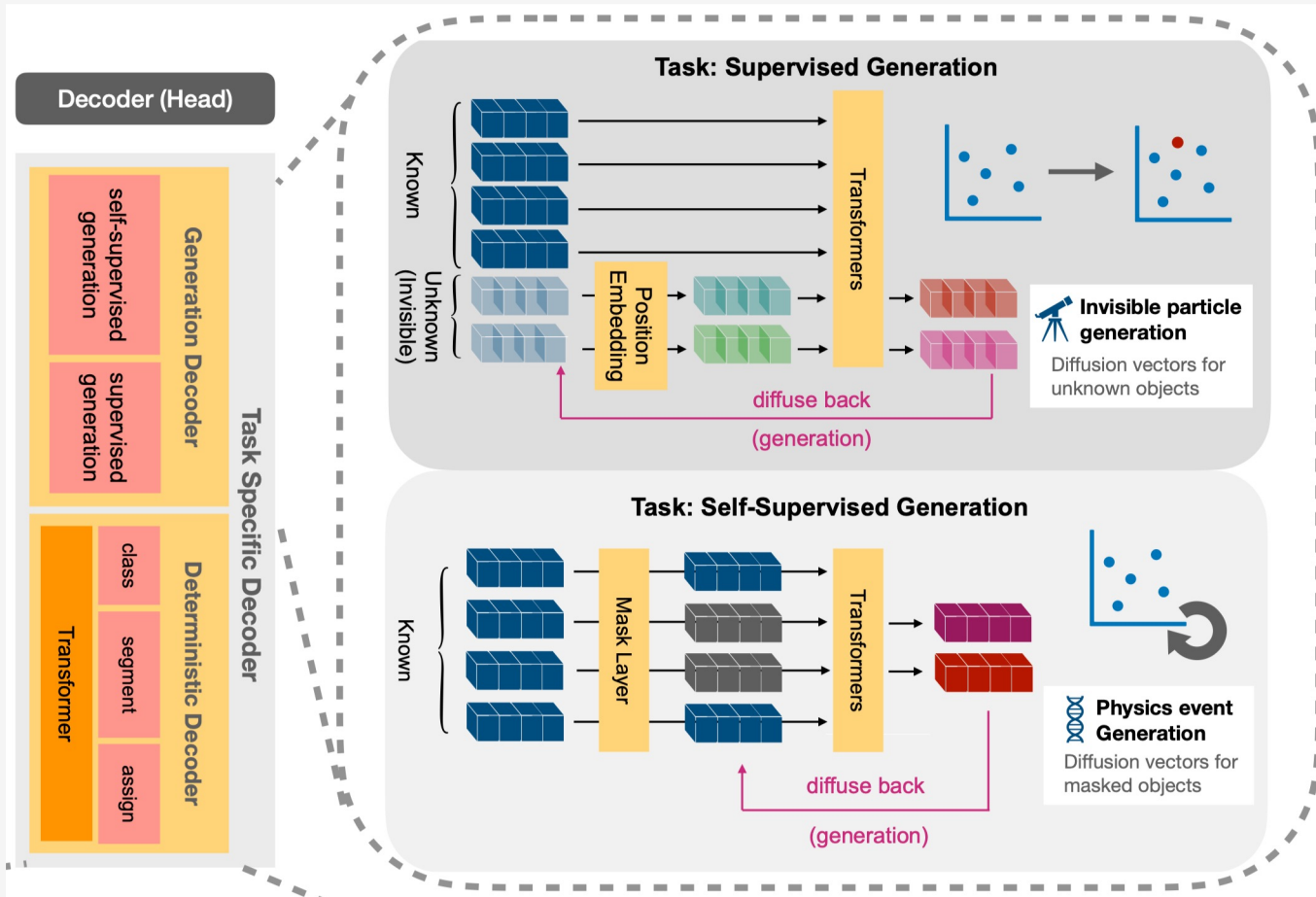
Core Idea: One strong body + many small heads

🧠 **Encoder - Point-Edge Transformer:**

- Inspired by OmniLearn [[2404.16091](#)]
- Models **both particles and their relationships** as a graph (points + edges)
- Captures **inter-particle interactions** and **global event structure**



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🧠 **Decoder – Generation Head:**

Supervised Generation

- Use known objects as input to predict missing ones (e.g., neutrinos).
- Diffusion models capture high-dimensional probability densities → predict the most likely kinematics.

Self-supervised Generation

- Mask part/all of the inputs and reconstruct them with a diffusion model.
- Learns underlying event structure without requiring labels.

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🧠 Decoder – Discriminative Heads:

Segmentation

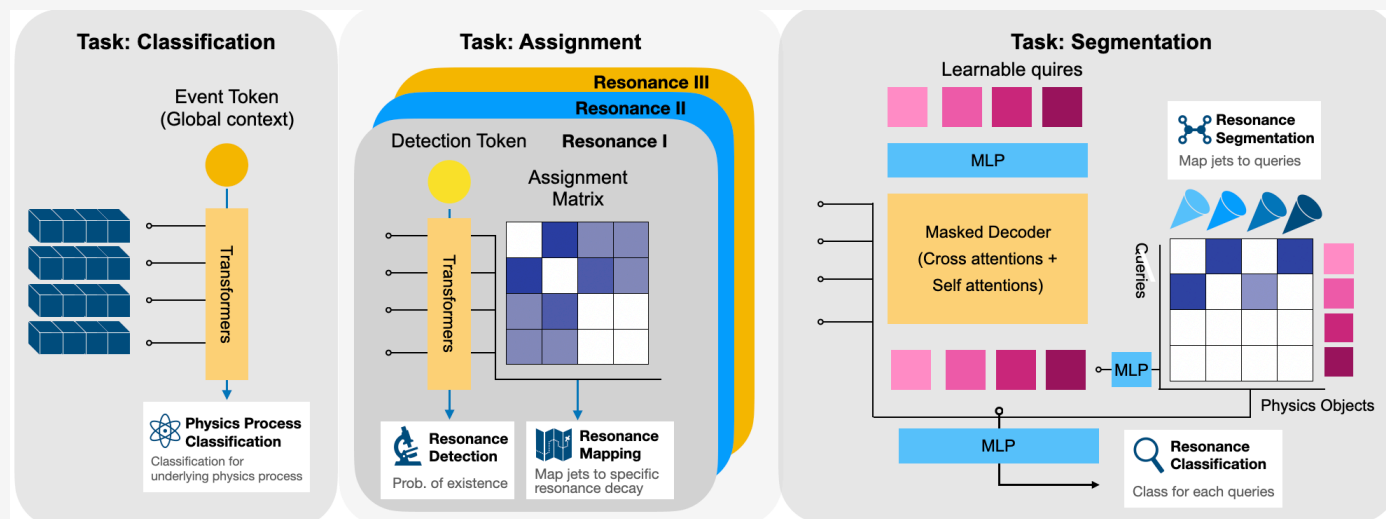
- Inspired by Meta AI's segmentation networks
 - The model performs set prediction (queries \rightarrow predict class & mask), preserving permutation symmetry.
 - Naturally extendable from objects to substituents without changing the model design.

Classification

- Multi-Class event classifiers (with regression)

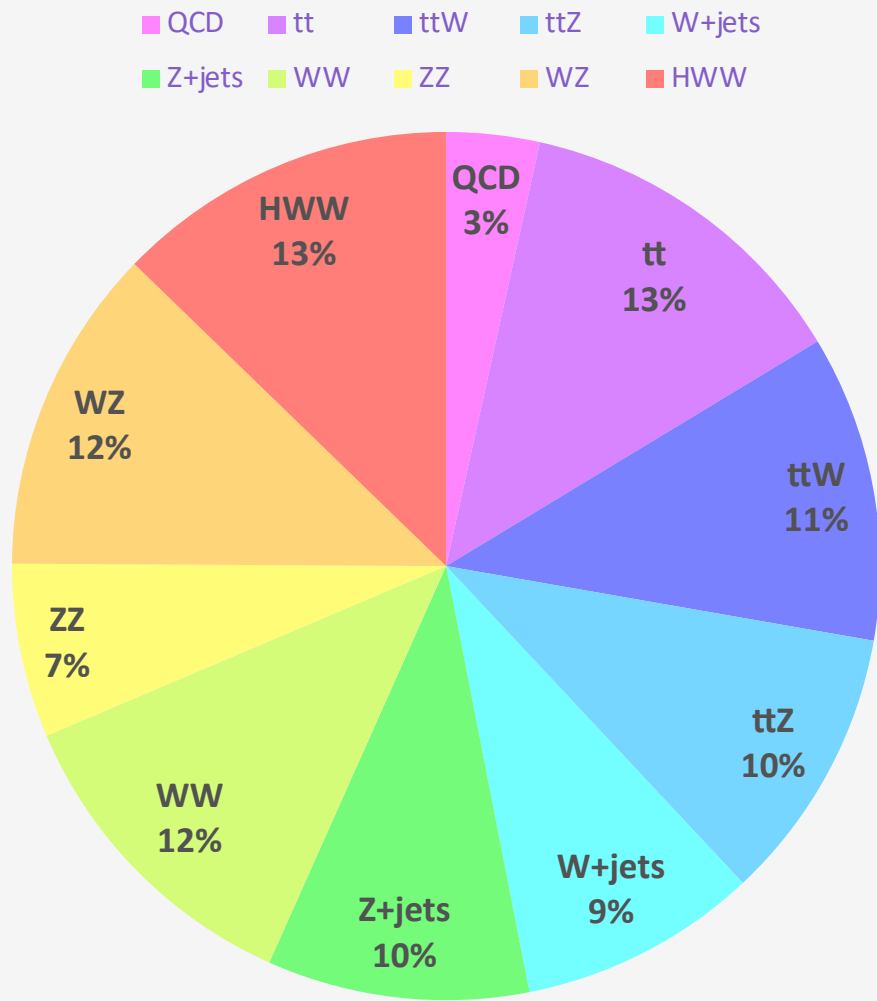
Assignment

- Symmetry-aware mapping of objects to truth partons (requires known decay topology).
- High accuracy for well-defined processes, but rigid, costly, not generalizable.





EveNet Recipe: How we pre-train?



Dataset

- 10 SM processes, **3B raw** → **500M preprocessed events**.
- Diverse processes → learn classification & point cloud generation.
- Complex channels (ttV, VV, HWW) → drive segmentation & neutrino generation.

Training Strategy

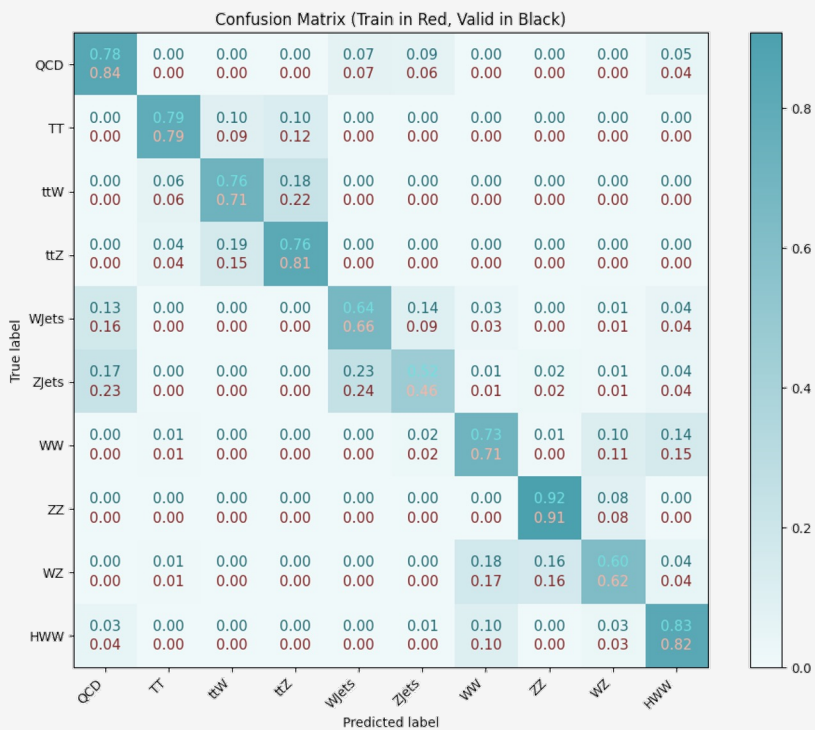
- **Stage 1 (self-supervised)**:
 - Only generation head active → learns unlabeled point cloud representation.
 - Gradual masking schedule: start with 10% masked → ramp to 100% (forces learning full event topology).
- **Stage 2 (full training)**:
 - All heads active → multi-task optimization.
 - Assignment head is off due to high computational cost
- Stability: **EMA + warm-up & cosine decay schedule**.





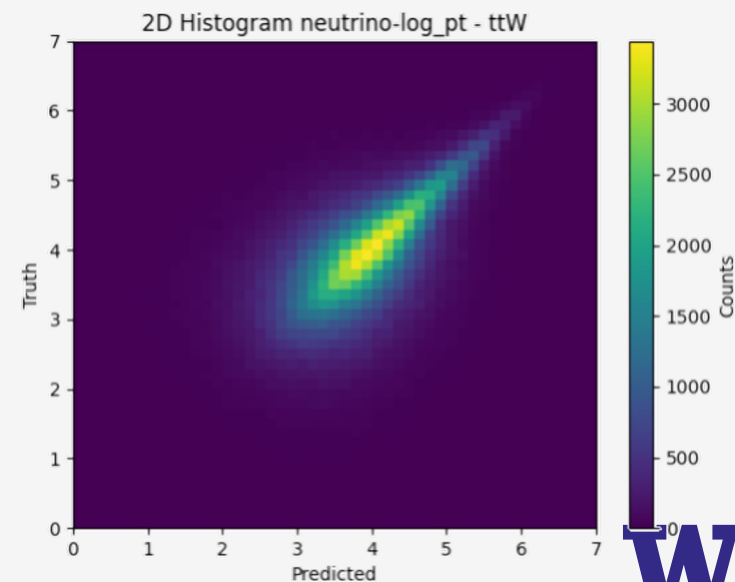
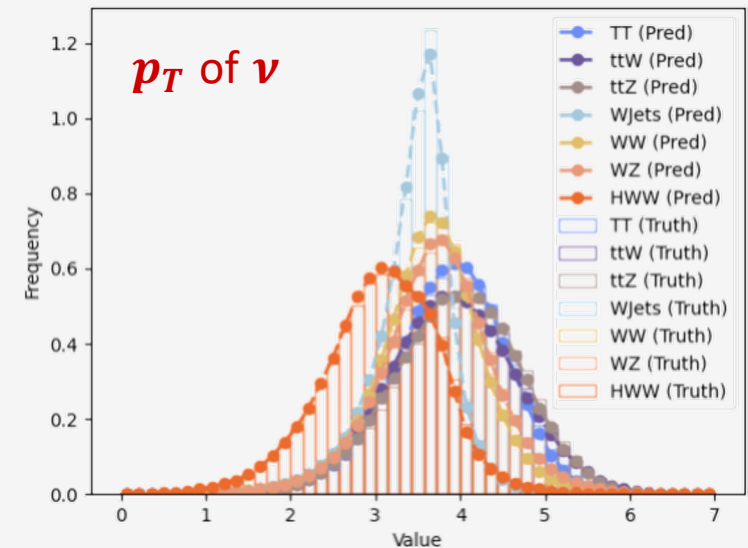
EveNet Tasting: First results from pretraining

Multi-label Classification



Segmentation

Detected Resonance



Supervised Generation

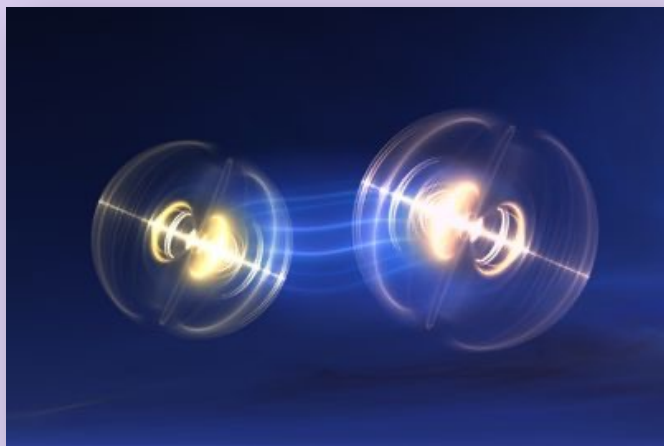
EveNet Wouldn't Train Itself—Thank You, Perlmutter!



Scaling Up EveNet with Perlmutter

-  Training Setup:
 - 128 nodes
 - 512 GPUs
 - 16,384 CPU cores
-  EveNet Model:
 - Encoder + Decoder*
 - Lite: 20M + 3M (today's result)
 - Standard: 83M + 17M (in progress)

Downstream Applications of EveNet in Physics Analyses



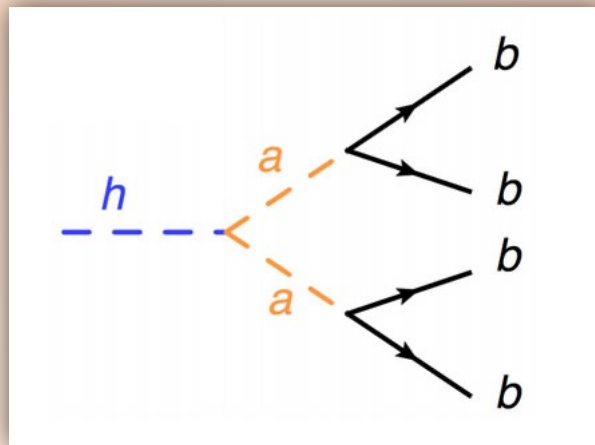
Quantum Entanglement

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell\nu\ell\nu$$

Assignment & Generation

In-distribution

($t\bar{t}$ present in pretraining dataset)



Search for new physics

$$H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow bbbb$$

Assignment & Classification

Near out-of-distribution

(new signal, bkgd. overlaps)



Anomaly Detection

$$\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$$

Event Generation


Fully out-of-distribution

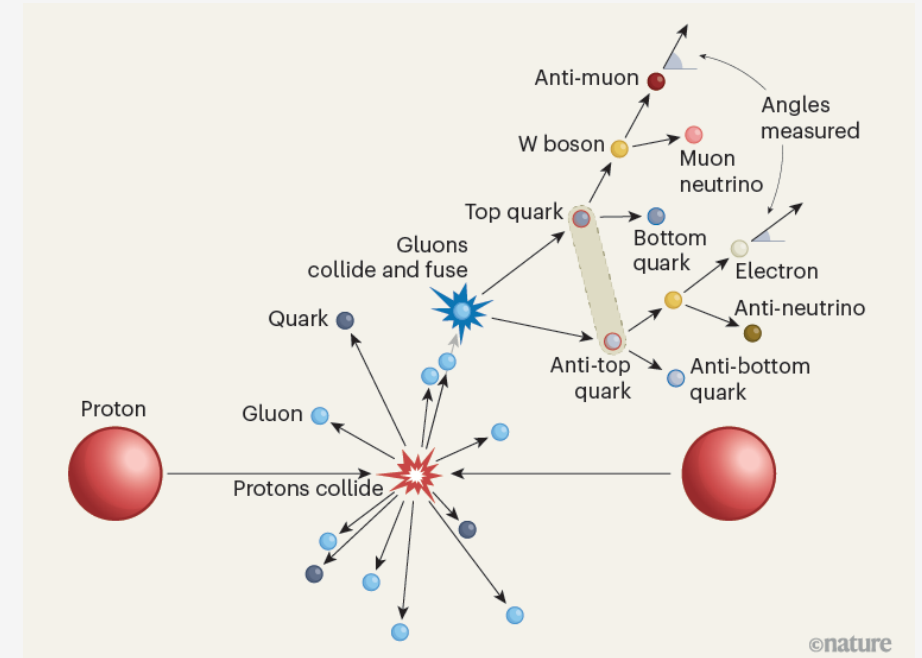
(data-driven, different CME)

Easy - **familiar** physics and energy.

Hard - **unseen** physics and **shifted** energy regime.

Quantum Entanglement: Overview

-  **Quantum Entanglement** ($pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell\nu\ell\nu$): A complex 2-lepton final state with multiple neutrinos and combinatorial jet ambiguity
- **Samples:** $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell\nu\ell\nu$ (threshold region)
- **Methodology:**
 - **Network:** EveNet-Lite
 - **Pretrain weights:** True vs. False
 - **Dataset size:** 3.6M for training, 2.4M for evaluation
- **Metrics:**
 - $t \rightarrow b\ell$ pairing efficiency
 - **Uncertainty** from unfolded spin correlation matrix and $D = -(C_{kk} + C_{rr} + C_{nn})$



The model is jointly trained on the Assignment and Truth Generation tasks.

Quantum Entanglement: Results

Assignment Efficiency

- ^[1]**Matchable**: Events where a **ground-truth assignment** exists; i.e., the event topology allows a **well-defined mapping** between reconstructed objects (e.g., jets) and true partons.
- ^[2]**All Events**: The **full set of events**, including both matchable and unmatchable ones.

F.T. (CLS + Gen)			Scratch		Improvement [%]		F.T. (CLS + Seg + Gen)		F.T. (SSL)	
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1.0	82.17	71.2	80.48	69.71	2.10	2.14	81.95	71.02	80.83	70.05
0.7	82.29	71.32	78.85	68.28	4.36	4.45	81.69	70.78	80.37	69.66
0.3	81.91	70.98	77	66.64	6.38	6.51	81.51	70.6	79.15	68.51
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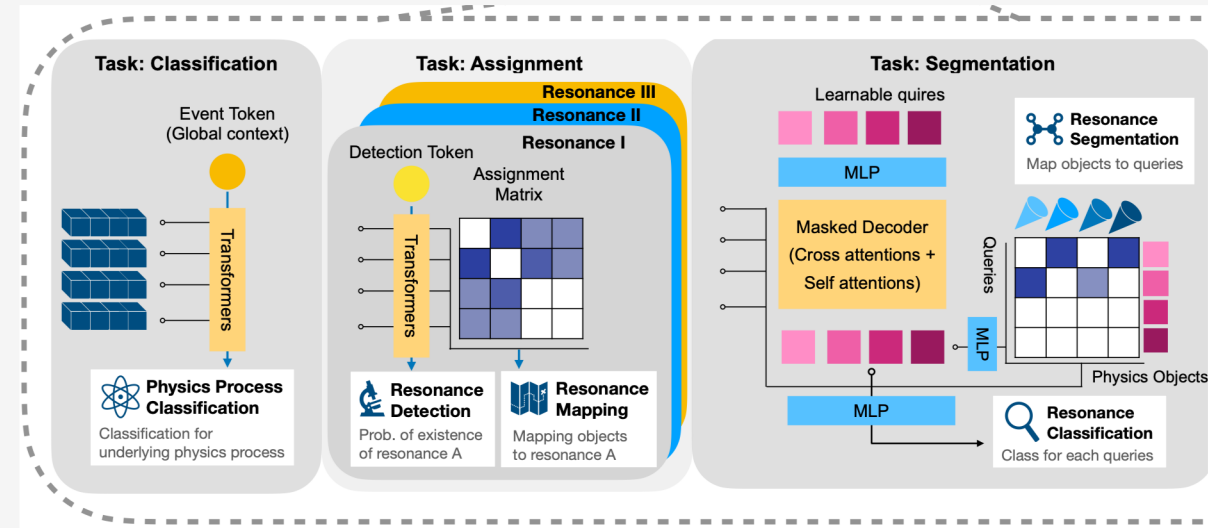
Unfolded Precision for spin correlation matrix and D

- Reference paper: [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2022\) 82:285](#), assuming 139 fb^{-1}
- The observable $D = -C_{kk} - C_{rr} - C_{nn}$ is sensitive to QE, with $D > 1$ indicating the QE.
- **Relative precision** with $\epsilon = \sigma_D / (D - 1)$, *Paper: $\epsilon_D \approx 5.26\%$*

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0.7	1.20	1.45	17.13	1.23	1.40
0.3	1.19	1.54	22.29	1.23	1.48
0.1	1.20	1.89	36.19	1.24	1.91

Search for New Physics: Overview

-  **Exotic Higgs Decay ($H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow bbbb$):** A challenging **4-b final state** sensitive to **b-tagging inefficiency** and **jet misassignments**
- **Samples:**
 - **Signal:** $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow bbbb$ ($m_a = 30, 40, 60$ GeV)
 - **QCD:** $bbbb, bbbj, bbjj$
- **Methodology:**
 - **Network:** EveNet-Lite vs. SPANet (same hidden dim)
 - **Pretrain weights:** True vs. False
 - **Training Dataset size:** 10k / 30k / 100k / 300k / 1M (signal portion: 10%)
 - **Assignment/Segmentation head (as Aux Task):** True vs. False



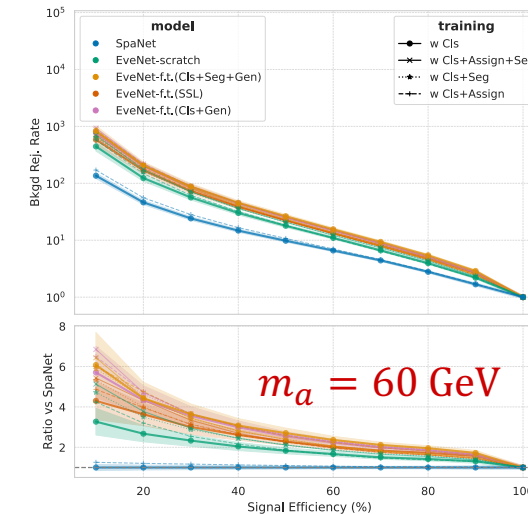
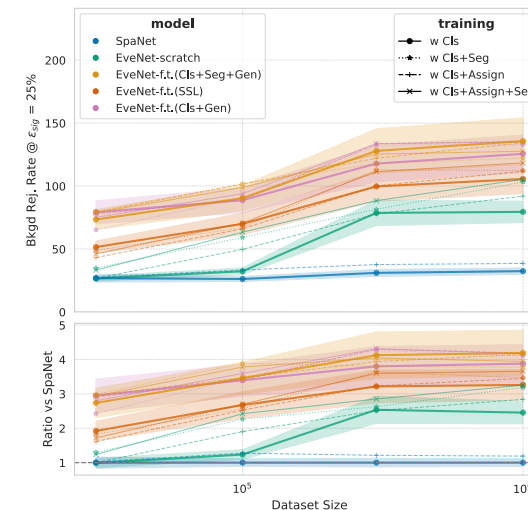
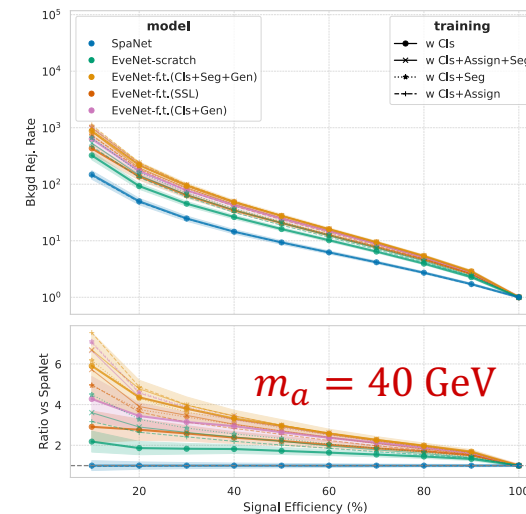
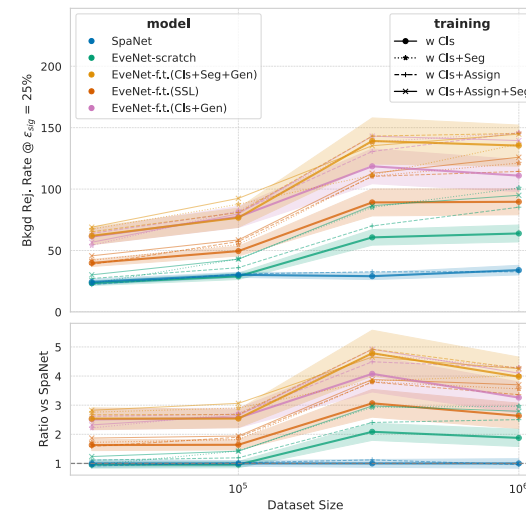
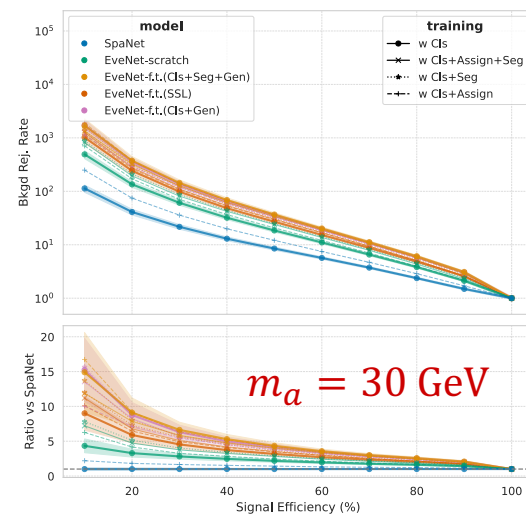
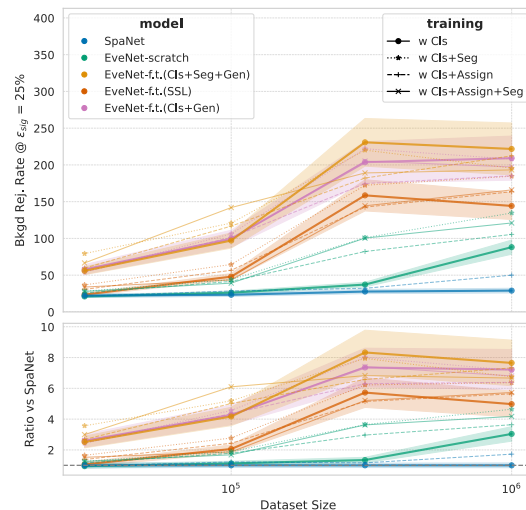
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★ *The signal samples used here were **not included** in pretraining*

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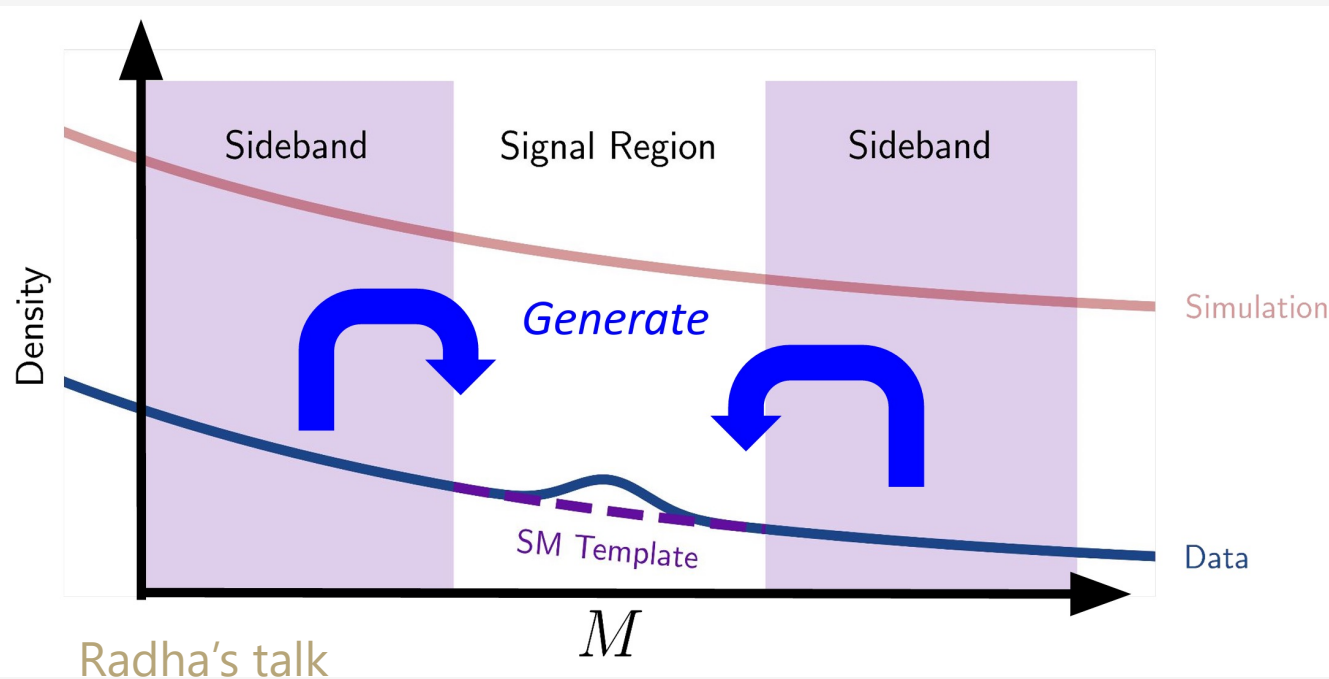
Classification

1. Inversed ROC
2. Bkgd. Rejection rate @ signal efficiency of 25%



Anomaly Detection: Overview

- **Reference paper:** [2502.14036](#) (To test EveNet's generative capability, we extend an existing anomaly detection method **using normalizing flows** by replacing it **with diffusion-based generation** of full 4-momentum)
- **Dataset:** CMS Open Data (2016 DoubleMu primary dataset) targeting Υ resonances in di-muon final states.
- **Goal:** Perform **model-independent bump hunting** in the invariant mass spectrum using **diffusion-based generative models** to interpolate background.



Strategy Overview:

1. SR and SB definition ($m_{\mu\mu}$): $SR = [9, 10.6] \text{ GeV}$, $SB = [5, 9] \text{ \& } [10.6, 16] \text{ GeV}$
2. **Background Modeling:** ensemble of EveNet diffusion models
3. **Weak supervision:** training XGBoost to separate generated events and data events

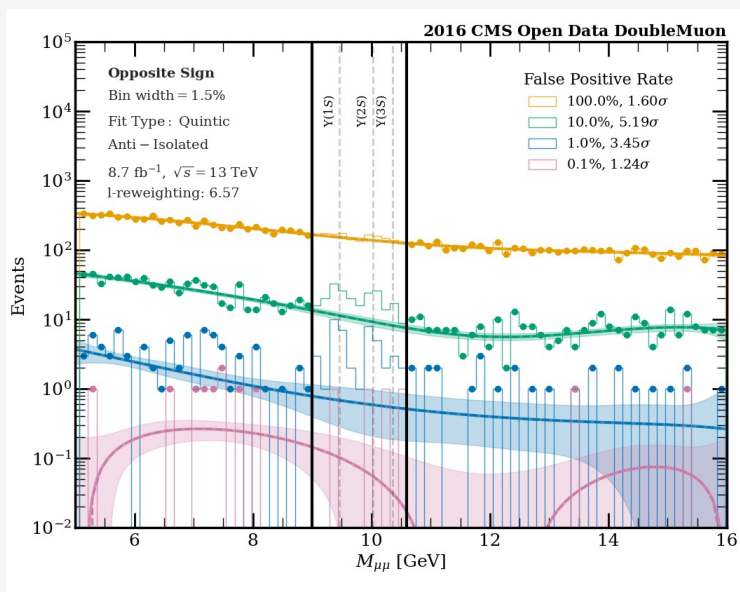
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★ All results are performed 8 times with different random seeds to test the spread

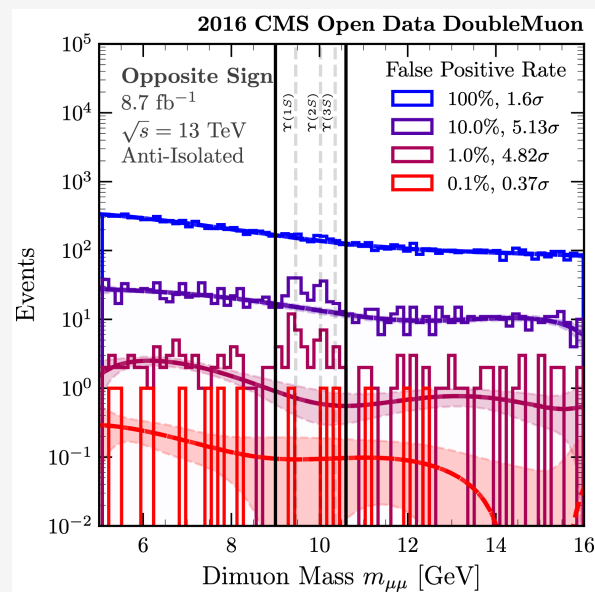
Final Significance (ℓ -reweighting)

- paper: 6.4σ
- EveNet-Pretrain: $6.54 \pm 0.24\sigma$
- ~~EveNet-Scratch: $7.04 \pm 0.37\sigma$ (mass sculpting X)~~

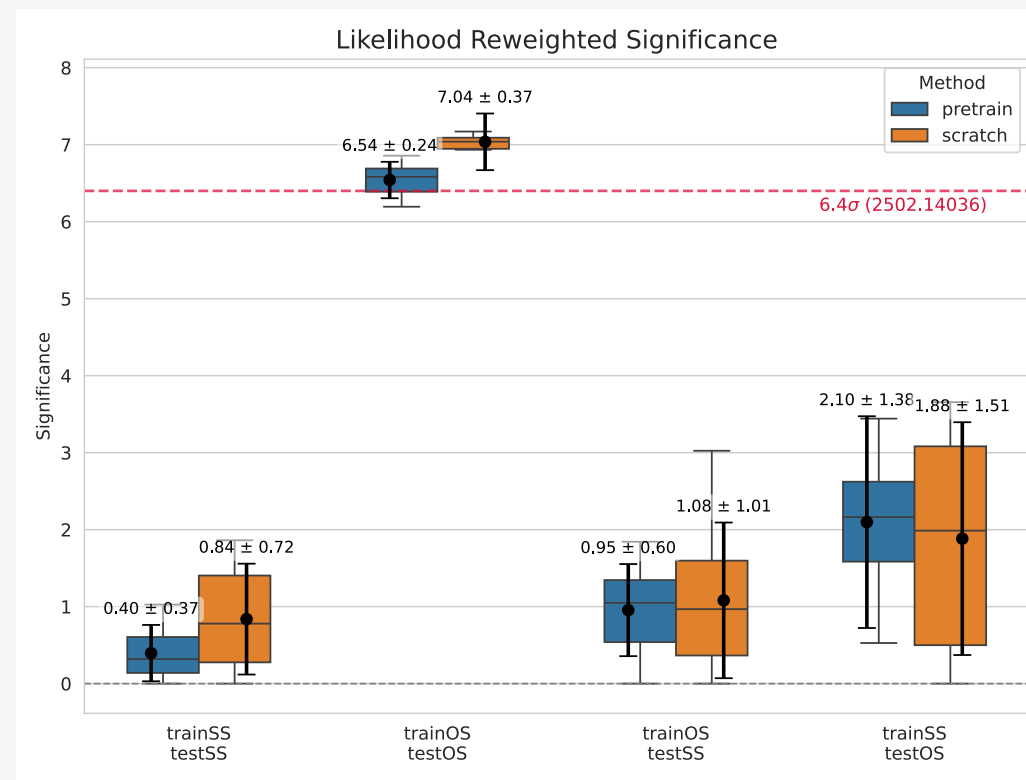
Note: the energy regime here is even different from the main samples in pretrain



EveNet-Pretrain



Paper's result



What We Learned?

Q: Can a foundation model in HEP really adapt to new tasks?

A: Yes! We added a new “Assignment” head (**not present during pretraining**) for QE and New Physics searches. With pretrained weights, the model immediately performed strongly → **extended to new heads and tasks** (Homogenization).

Q: How does it handle new physics or even new energies?

A: We tested progressively:

- **QE ($t\bar{t}$):** fully in-distribution, same CME.
- **Exotic Higgs:** out-of-distribution signal, but same CME.
- **Anomaly Detection:** fully data-driven, different CME.

In all cases, the model retained strong performance → proof of transferable representations across processes and energy scales.

Q: Can it go multimodal?

A: Yes. The current heads (especially Segmentation) can naturally extend to multimodal inputs like **tracks + clusters** or **constituents + objects**, enabling clustering and resonance reconstruction. That’s the multimodal potential.

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What's Next?

Q: But what about “Emergence”?

A: In LLMs, “emergence” is a debated concept. In HEP, we need to **rethink what emergence means**, since our evaluation metrics are very different. Defining this is an open research question.

Q: Does bigger mean better?

A: Our current model has $\sim 20M$ parameters. We’re scaling to **100M** ($\sim 16,000$ GPU hours on 500M events). We want to test whether larger capacity yields new physics insights.

Q: Could this change how we do HEP analyses?

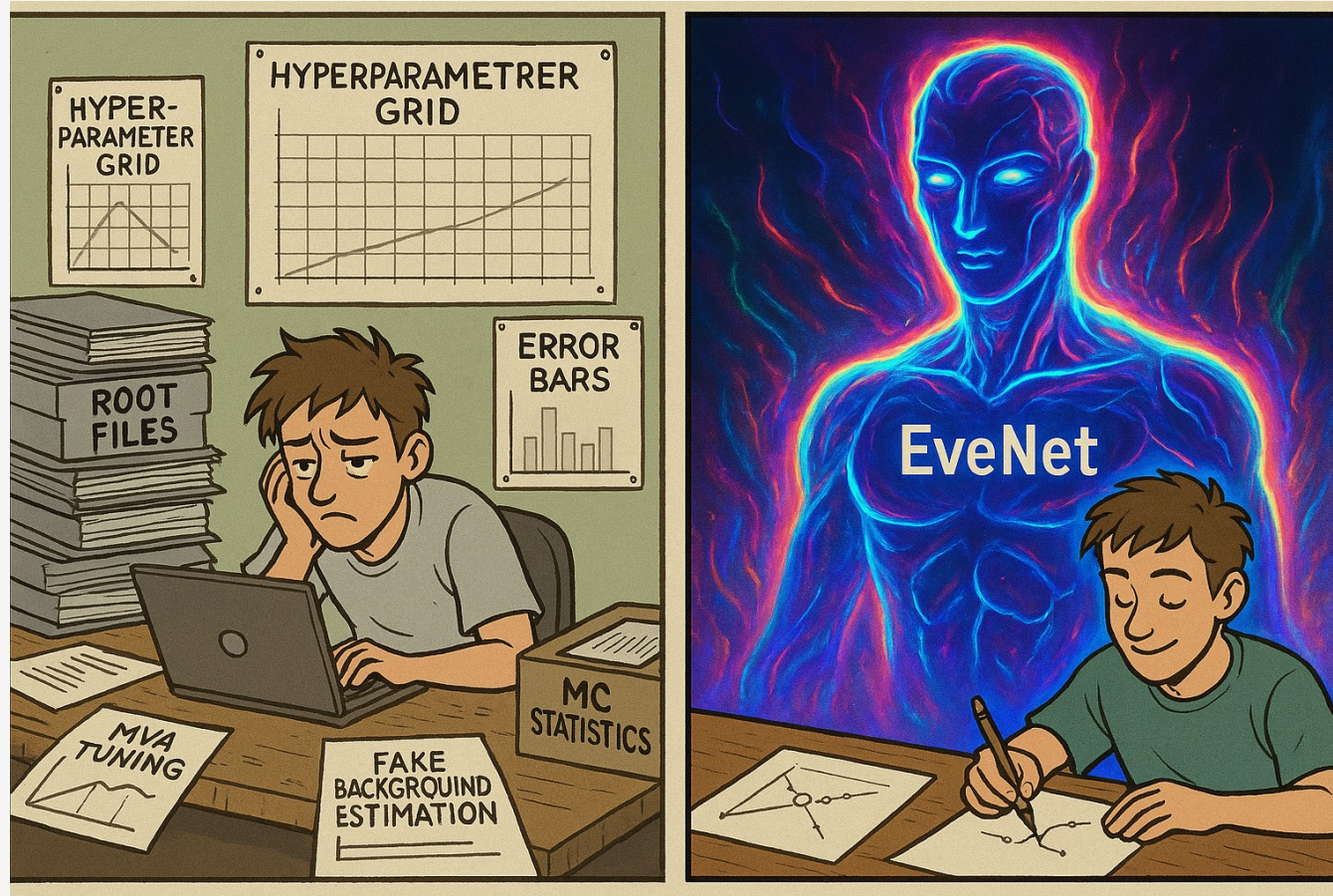
A: Yes. A strong general foundation model means **less need for bespoke, highly-tuned models** for every analysis. This could pave the way toward **auto-analysis** in HEP → a step toward AGI-like helpers for particle physics.

Q: Any other ideas?

A: Plenty! For example, exploring **Mixture-of-Experts (MoE)** architectures to improve scalability and specialization. Foundation model is the pillar for **Reasoning Large Model** (RLM, *DeepSeek* 🤖).

EveNet: Powering the Next Physics Breakthrough

a foundation model to solve all HEP problems



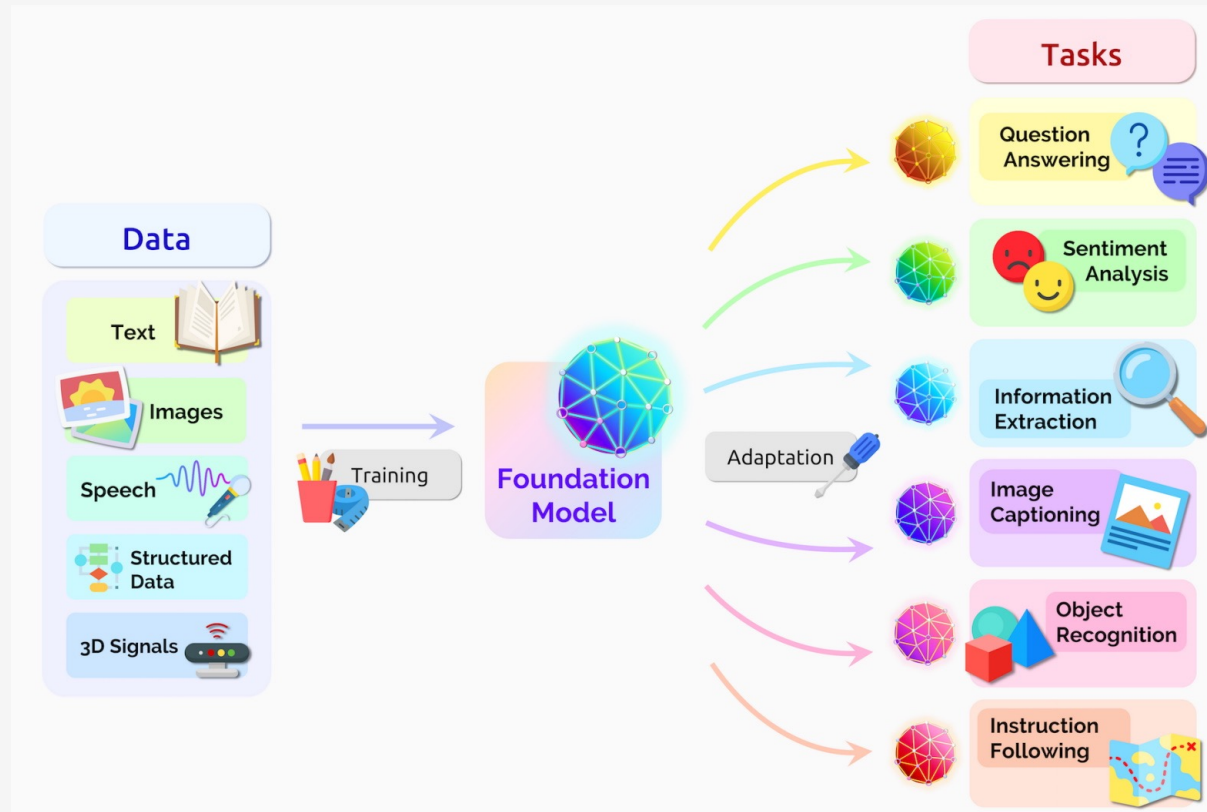


Backup

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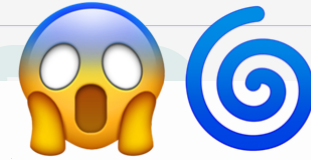
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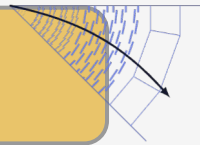


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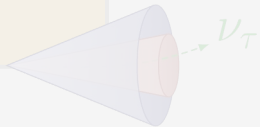
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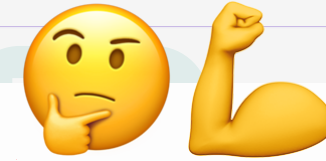
Pros:

- Most **information-rich**; closest to detector truth.
- **Minimal bias** from reconstruction choices.
- Potential for ML to learn **end-to-end physics object reconstruction** directly from detector signals.

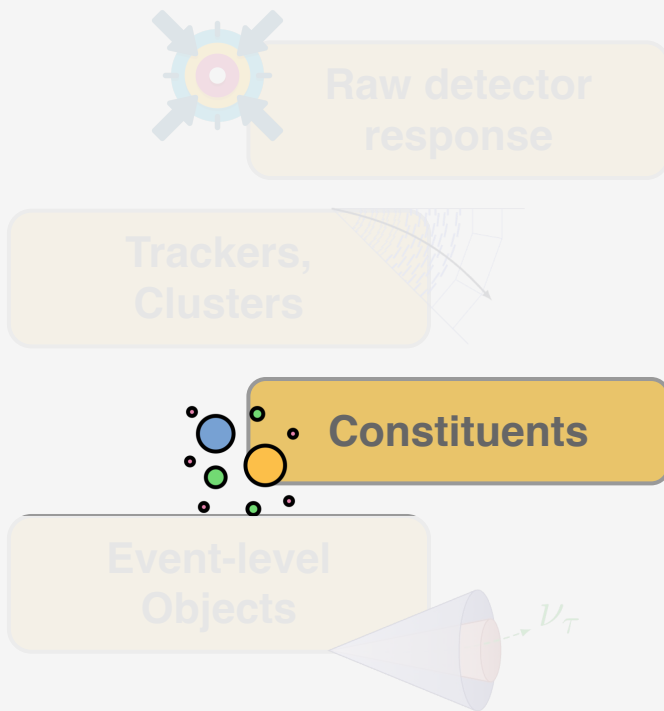
Cons:

- **Very high dimensionality** → massive computational and storage requirements.
- Harder to interpret results in physics terms.
- Needs careful handling of detector effects, noise, and calibrations.
- Farther from final physics observables, so **less transparent** to analysts.

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Large-scale HEP Dataset



Particle Flow objects, uncalibrated

Pros:

- **Richer** information than event-level; captures **substructure of jets and taus**.
- **Less dependent** on final reconstruction/ID algorithms.
- More **flexibility** for ML to discover new features (e.g., jet substructure, pile-up mitigation).

Cons:

- Still subject to PF reconstruction algorithms (track-cluster linking).
- **Higher dimensionality** → increased computational cost.
- **Not yet fully calibrated** → may need additional corrections before use in physics interpretation.

Machine Learning + HEP

A Living Review of Machine Learning for Particle Physics

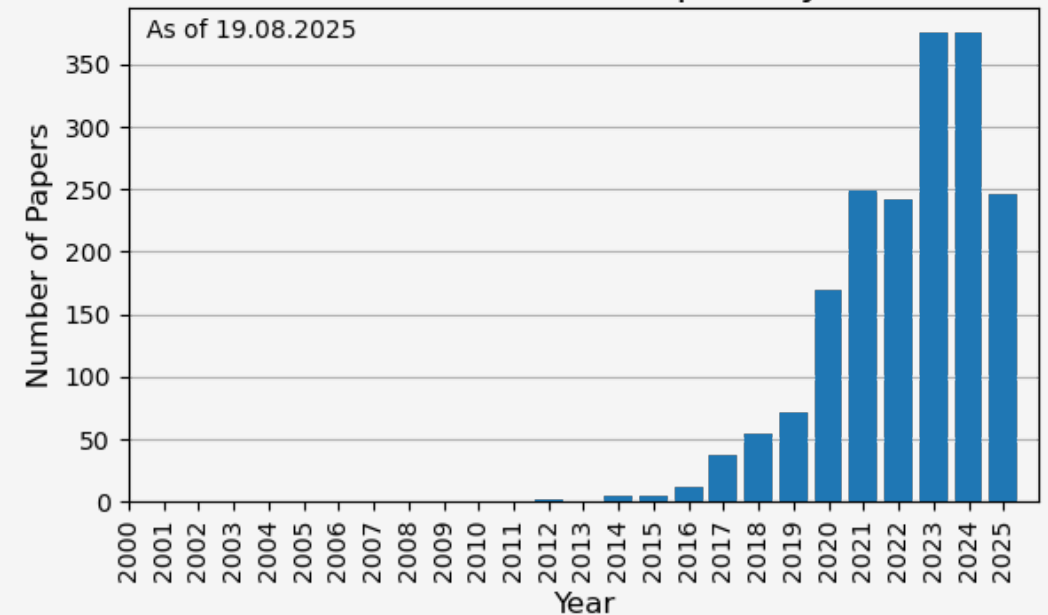
- There is a growing interest in applying machine learning techniques to HEP.
- The concept of foundation models has also been explored in recent studies.

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- [Large Language Models – the Future of Fundamental Physics?](#) (2025)
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- [A Method to Simultaneously Facilitate All Jet Physics Tasks \[DOI\]](#) (2025)
- [Aspen Open Jets: Unlocking LHC Data for Foundation Models in Particle Physics](#) (2024)
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- [Towards a foundation model for heavy-ion collision experiments through point cloud diffusion](#) (2024)
- [Bumblebee: Foundation Model for Particle Physics Discovery](#) (2024)
- [Is Tokenization Needed for Masked Particle Modelling?](#) (2024)
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- [Xiwu: A Basis Flexible and Learnable LLM for High Energy Physics](#) (2024)
- [Physics Event Classification Using Large Language Models \[DOI\]](#) (2024)
- [Re-Simulation-based Self-Supervised Learning for Pre-Training Foundation Models \[DOI\]](#) (2024)
- [OmniJet- \$\alpha\$: The first cross-task foundation model for particle physics \[DOI\]](#) (2024)
- [Finetuning Foundation Models for Joint Analysis Optimization \[DOI\]](#) (2024)

Number of HEP-ML Papers by Year



Can We build an Event-Level Foundation Model?

Could we resolve all event-level tasks with a single model?

Pre-trained Model 🤔

- Extensively pre-trained for general-purpose representations.
- **Lightly fine-tuned** for task-specific applications.
- Especially **effective** in scenarios with **limited** training data.

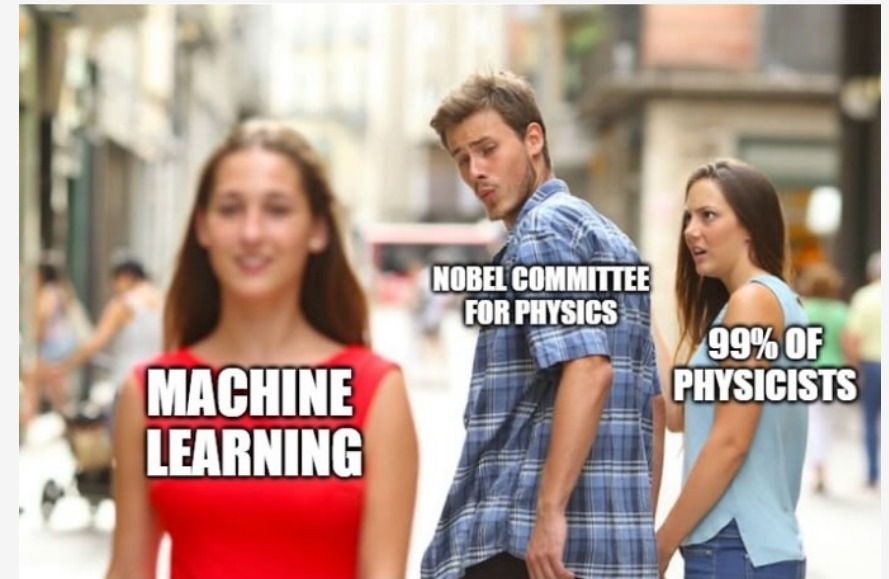


Foundation Model 🤗

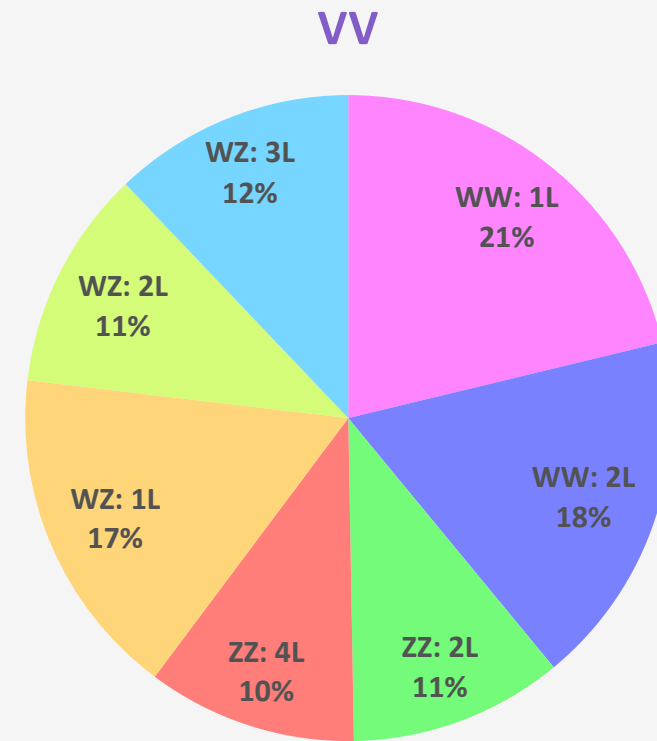
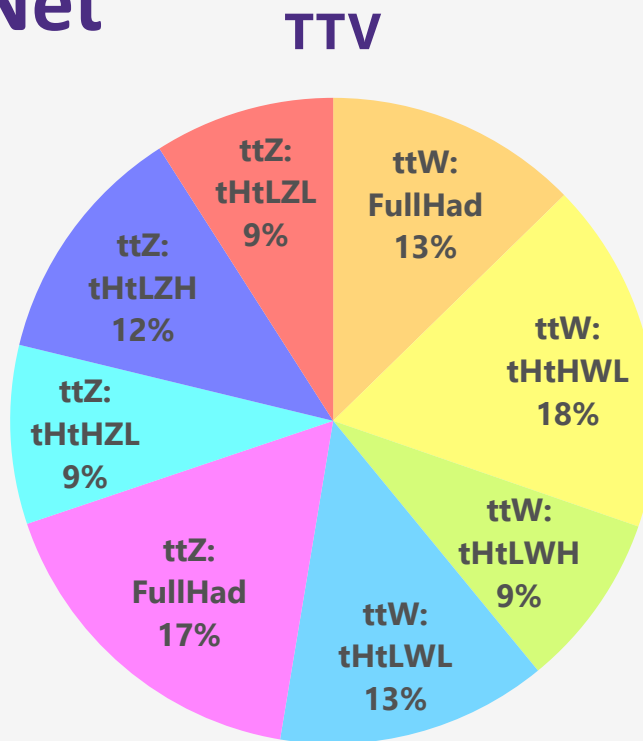
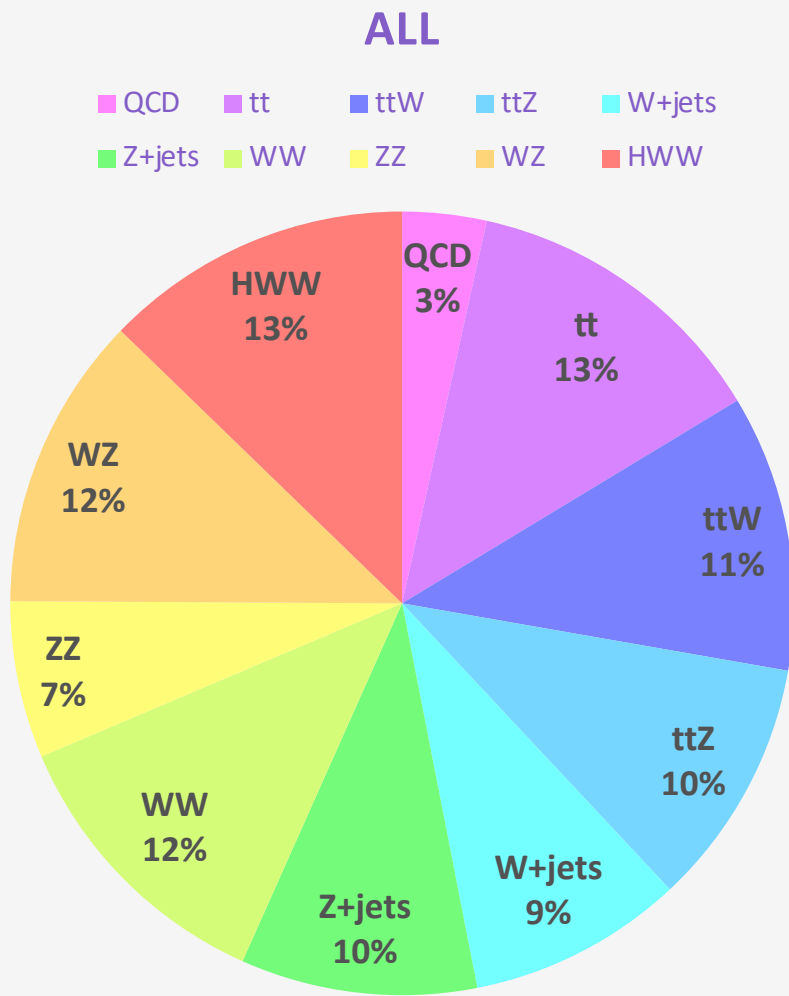
- Enables a unified understanding of HEP events.
- Designated to generalize across a wide range of tasks.

🔧 Core Ingredients of an Event-Level Foundation Model in HEP

- 🧠 **Generalist Embedding**: Shared event-level representation
- 🧩 **Multi-task Learning**: One model, many objectives
- 🔍 **Self-Supervised Pretraining**: Learns from data structure
- 📈 **Scalability**: Improves with more data + compute
- 🔄 **Transferability**: Fine-tune for new tasks easily



How do we pre-train EveNet



- 🔧 All processes help learn diverse point cloud patterns for **classification** and **point cloud generation**.
- 🧠 ttV, VV, and HWW focus on harder tasks like **assignment** and **neutrino generation** due to their complex final states.

Search for New Physics: Observations

- 📊 **EveNet shows strong scalability:**
 - Performs well even on **small training datasets**.
 - Continues to improve with **increasing data volume**.
 - **Pretrained model performs well even without assignment head, unlike SPANet or scratch models.**
- ⚖️ **Compared to SPANet:**
 - EveNet offers better **scalability** and **robust generalization** out of the box.
 - SPANet may require **additional tuning** to match performance at larger scales.
 - Performance improves **2–4×** with the pretrained EveNet.






Quantum Entanglement: Results

Unfolded Uncertainty for spin correlation matrix and D

- Reference paper: [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2022\) 82:285](#), assuming 139 fb^{-1}
- The observable $D = -C_{kk} - C_{rr} - C_{nn}$ is sensitive to QE, with $D > 1$ indicating the QE.
- **Relative precision** with $\epsilon = \sigma_D / (D - 1)$, *Paper: $\epsilon_D \approx 5.26\%$*

Recon ν + Recon pairing				Recon ν + Truth pairing			Truth ν + Recon pairing		
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0.7	1.23	1.45	15.21	1.24	1.48	15.98	0.69	0.70	0.99
0.3	1.23	1.54	20.06	1.24	1.55	19.70	0.69	0.70	2.59
0.1	1.24	1.89	34.45	1.25	1.70	26.62	0.69	0.80	14.61

Quantum Entanglement: Observations

-  **Pretrained model shows improved assignment performance**, increasing matching efficiency by:
 - +2.5% for matchable events
 - +2.1% for all events
-  **Uncertainty reduction:**
 - **Absolute improvement** of $\sim 12.5\%$ in precision over the scratch model
 - **Relative precision improvement** of $\sim 35\%$ over the pheno paper result
-  **Rapid and stable convergence:**
 - Pretrained model **converges faster** for both assignment and generation heads
 - Reduces risk of **overfitting** in the assignment task

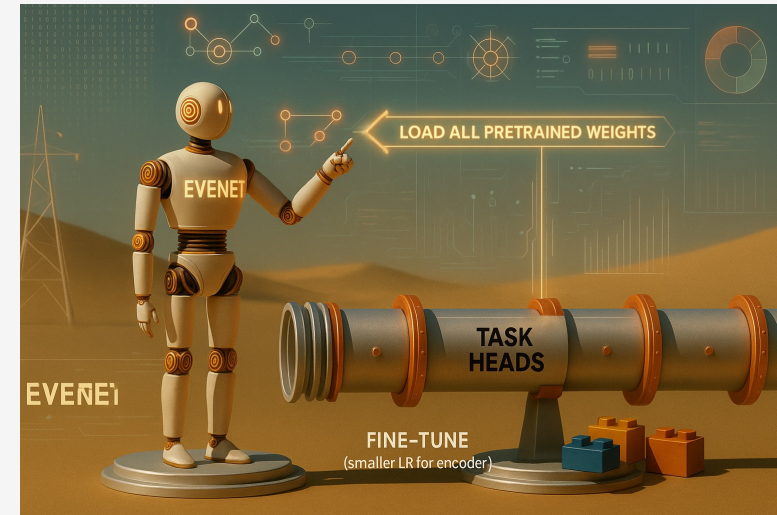


EveNet Playbook: A guide to downstream applications

Option 1: Plug-and-Play

(Pretrained Encoder + Heads)

- Keep input/output format as in pretraining.
- Load pretrained weights for encoder (except normalizers).
- Optionally load head weights as initialization.
- Turn on task heads you need (can combine multiple).



Option 2: Customized Player

(Pretrained Encoder + Your Own Decoder)

- Input features of point cloud should match pretrained ones.
- Global features can be customized.
- Encoder outputs embedded event representation.
- You design your own decoder/heads for specific tasks.
- Only load pretrained encoder weights.



Anomaly Detection: Overview

- **Reference paper:** [2502.14036](#) (To test EveNet's generative capability, we extend an existing anomaly detection method *using normalizing flows* by replacing it **with diffusion-based generation** of full 4-momentum)
- **Dataset:** CMS Open Data (2016 DoubleMu primary dataset) targeting Υ resonances in di-muon final states.
- **Goal:** Perform **model-independent bump hunting** in the invariant mass spectrum using **diffusion-based generative models** to interpolate background.
- **Strategy Overview:**
 1. Signal region (SR) and Sideband (SB) definition ($m_{\mu\mu}$): $SR = [9, 10.6] \text{ GeV}$, $SB = [5, 9] \text{ \& } [10.6, 16] \text{ GeV}$
 2. **Background Modeling** Replace NF (CATHODE in paper) with an **ensemble of EveNet diffusion models**
 - **Global Generation:** Conditioned on mass, generate H_T and $\Delta R_{\mu\mu}$
 - **PC generation:** Conditioned on mass, H_T and $\Delta R_{\mu\mu}$, generate muons with features: 4-momentum and ip3d
 - **Quality selection:** Recalculate every global information from the point cloud directly and re-apply analysis cut i.e., windows cut on the generated events.
 3. **Weak supervision:** training XGBoost to separate generated events and data events
 4. **Significance extraction:** cut-and-count and likelihood-reweighting

Anomaly Detection: Observations



Final Significance:

- Both **pretrained** and **scratch** models achieve **comparable or better results** than the original CATHODE benchmark.
- **Scratch model** slightly outperforms the paper baseline.
- **Pretrained model** performs slightly below, but with **smaller variance across 8 random seeds**.
- No mass sculpting observed in **same-sign control region**.



Generation Efficiency:

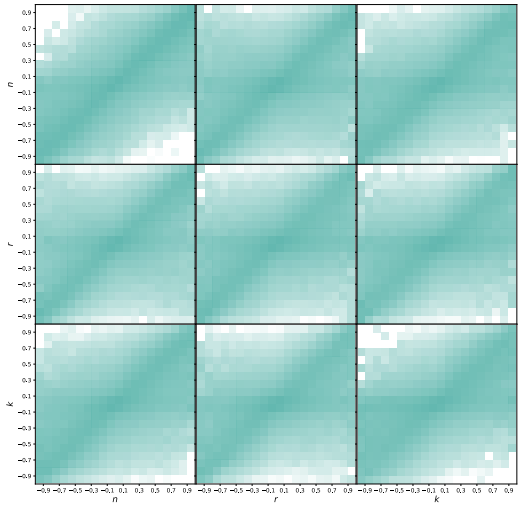
- **Pretrained model converges faster** and achieves **2.5× higher quality selection efficiency** than the scratch model.



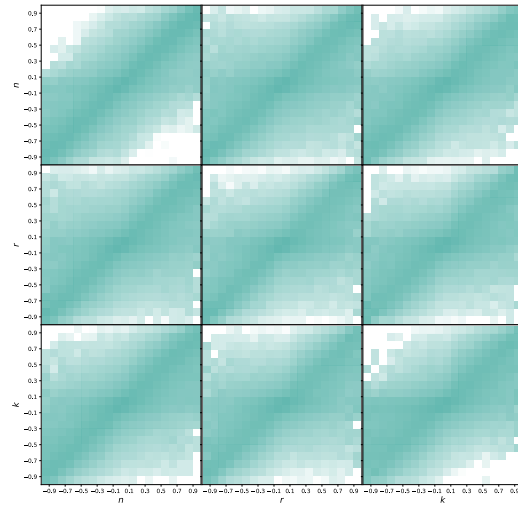
Analysis-Specific Limitation:

- Slight underperformance of the pretrained model is likely due to the use of **ip3D**, a feature not present in pretraining.
- With a **lower learning rate** on body during fine-tuning, pretrained models adapt **more slowly to unseen features** like ip3D.
- For **4-momentum-related distributions**, the pretrained model consistently produces **higher-quality samples** than scratch.

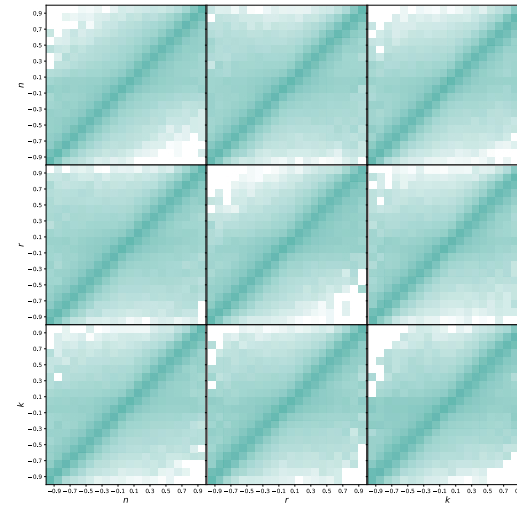
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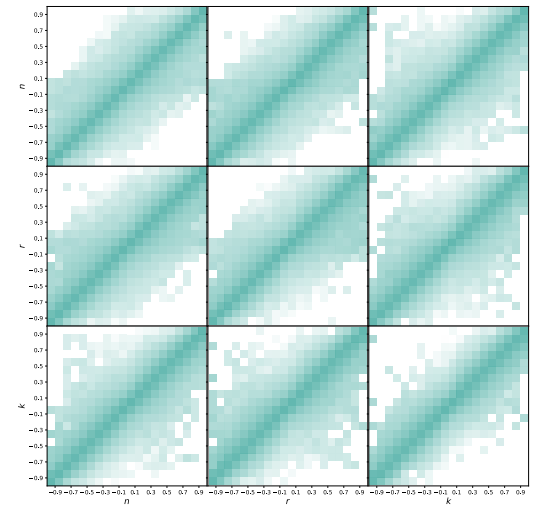
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Recon- ν + Truth Pairing

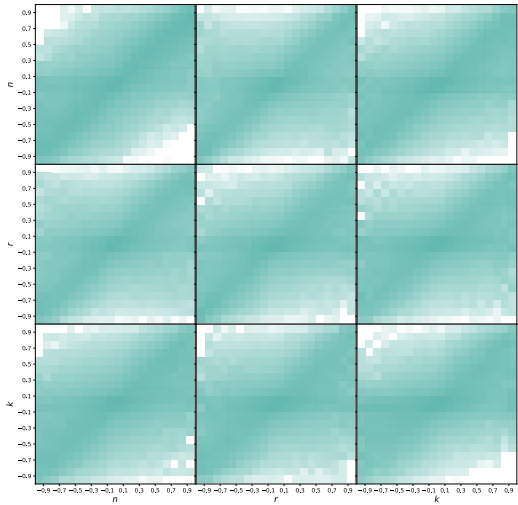


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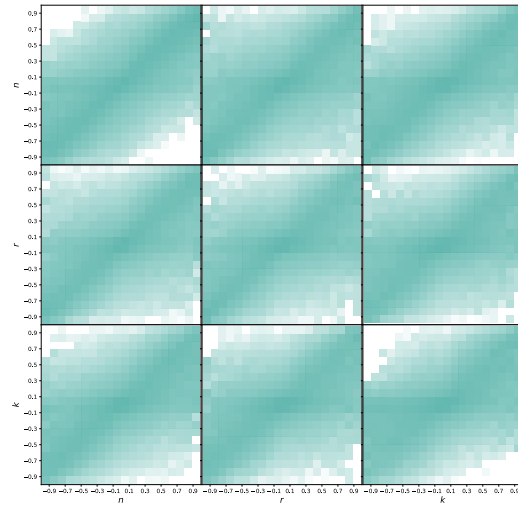


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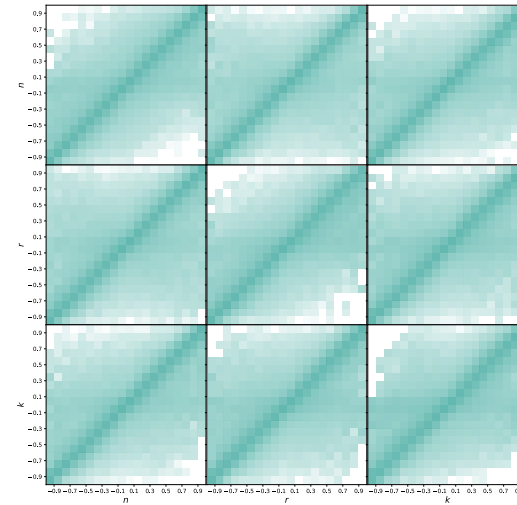
QE response matrix (Scratch)



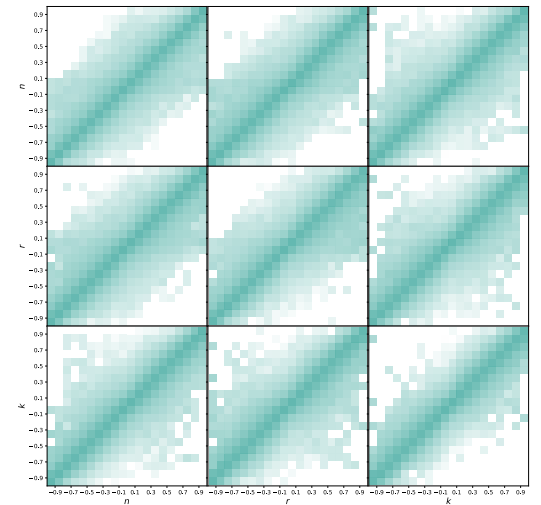
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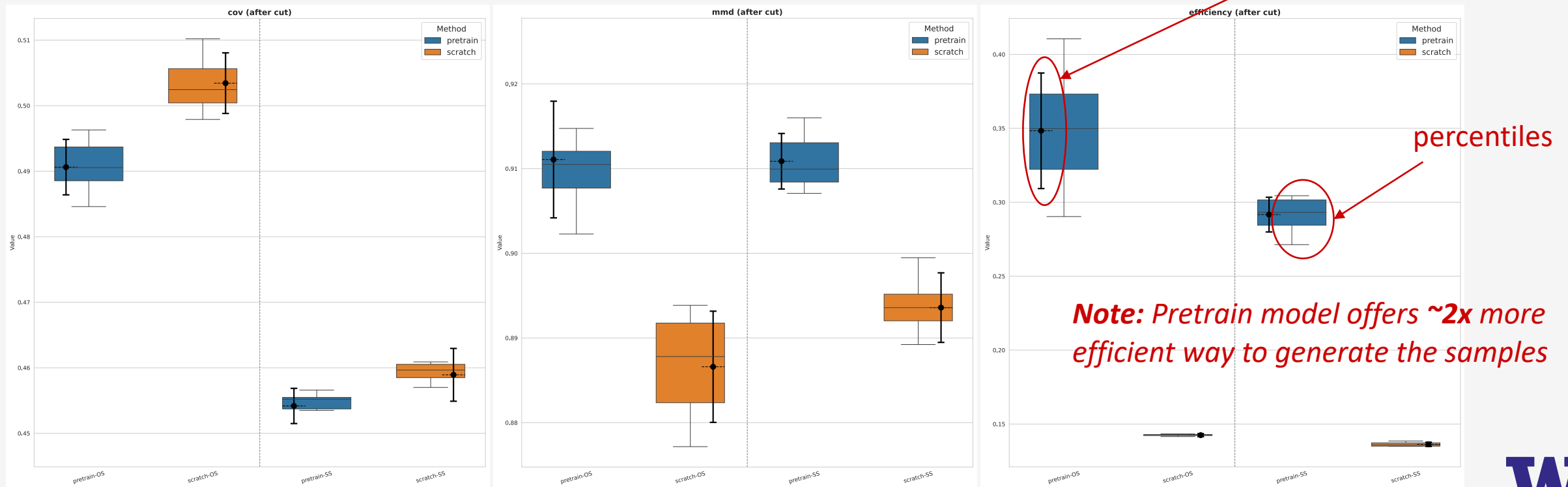
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Anomaly Detection: Results

★ All results are performed 8 times with different random seeds to test the spread

Generation Quality (arXiv: 2106.11535)

- **Coverage:** measuring the diversity of the samples in Y relative to X
- **MMD:** the average distance between matched samples, measuring the quality of samples
- **Efficiency:** quality selection efficiency for generated events



Summary

Pre-trained Model 🤔



Foundation Model 🧠

Our current study shows that **pretraining enables transferable and multi-task representations** across diverse HEP tasks.

- Pretrained EveNet demonstrates **strong scalability**, **fast convergence**, and **robust generalization** across diverse HEP tasks, **without the need for hyperparameter tuning or task-specific design**.

Search for new Physics

$$H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow bbbb$$

Assignment & Classification

Up to **2–4× gain** on bkgd. Rej. Rate @ $\epsilon_{sig} = 25\%$, strong performance even **without assignment/segmentation head**.

Quantum Entanglement

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Assignment & Generation

+2% assignment, 10% uncertainty reduction, ~75% better than prior work

Anomaly Detection

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Event Generation

Matches or exceeds baseline; **2.5× more efficient** generation and better **4-momentum modeling**.

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Foundation Model 🥳

🚀 Next Milestone: Scaling for Emergence and Multimodal

- To explore **emergent capabilities**, we are training a **100M-parameter model** trained on up to **1.5B effective events**, aiming to push EveNet into the true foundation model regime.
- **Multimodal Potential Ahead**: Future extensions include integrating **jet constituents**, **tracker hits**, and **heterogeneous data forms** to explore **multimodal learning** in HEP.

📦 **Dataset Sharing**: We have **3B raw events in Parquet format** and are happy to share them for benchmarking or related studies.

📄 **Paper Coming Soon**: We are finalizing the draft, and the **arXiv link will be shared shortly!**