

Towards an update of the ILD ZHH analysis

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Introduction

Physical fundamentals and methods for direct measurements of the Higgs self-coupling at future Higgs factories

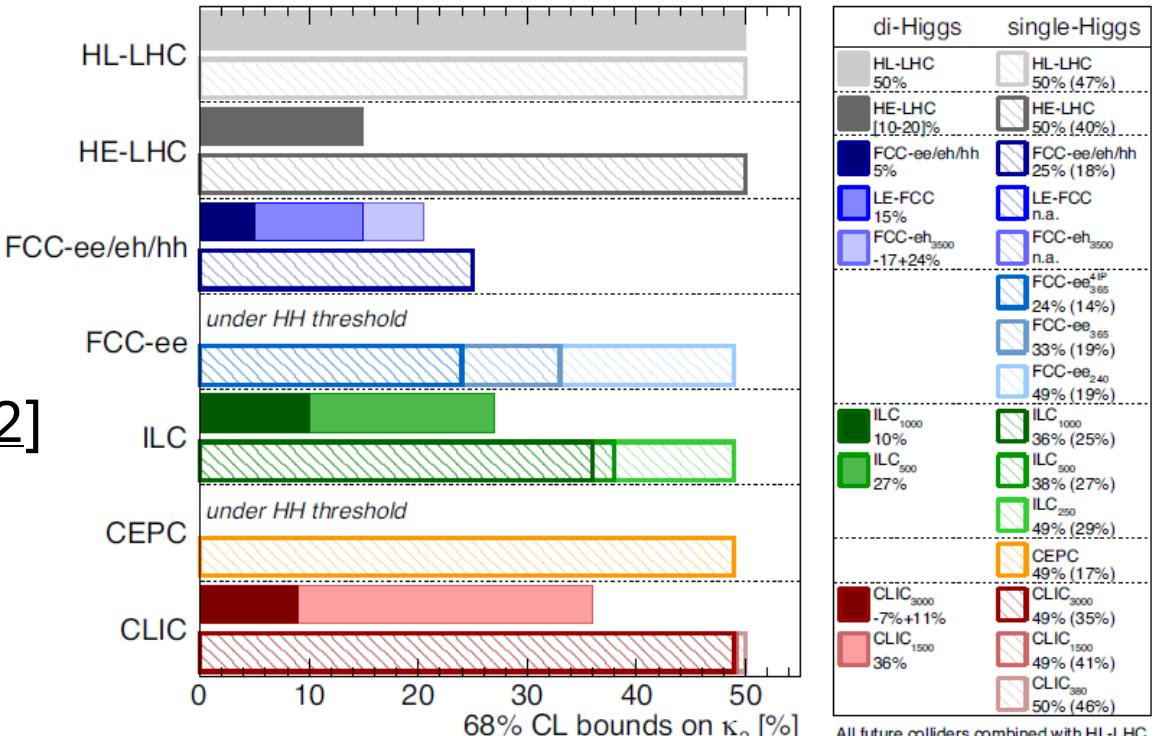
The Higgs self-coupling λ in the SM

$$V(h) = \frac{1}{2} m_H^2 h^2 + \lambda v h^3 + o(h^4); \lambda_{SM} = \frac{m_H^2}{2v^2}$$

v vacuum expectation value (vev) of Higgs field h

m_H mass of Higgs boson

- in SM: λ_{SM} fixed since m_H is known [At/Cm12]
 - deviation from $\lambda = \lambda_{SM}$ hints at BSM physics
 - beyond SM, many values are possible
 - most projections assume $\lambda = \lambda_{SM}$

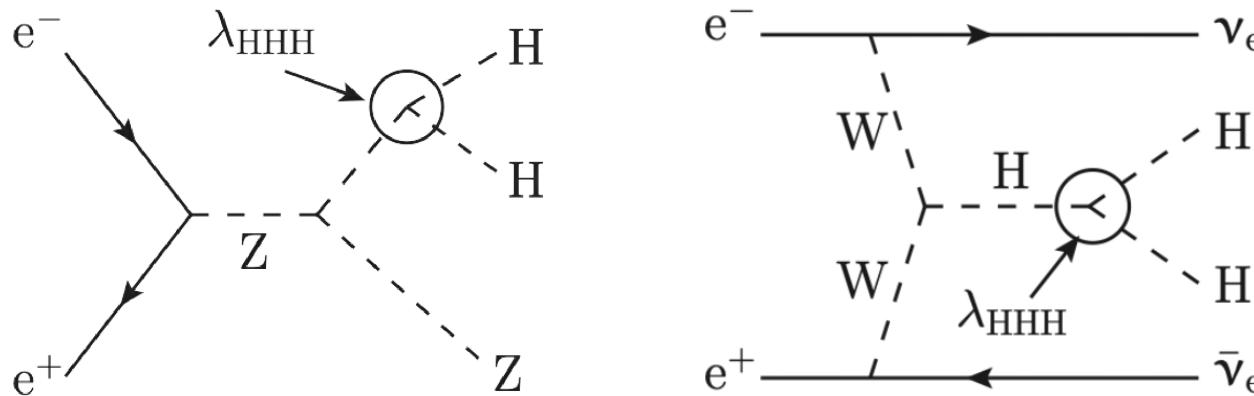


Projected sensitivity at 68% probability for k_3 .
From [Db20]

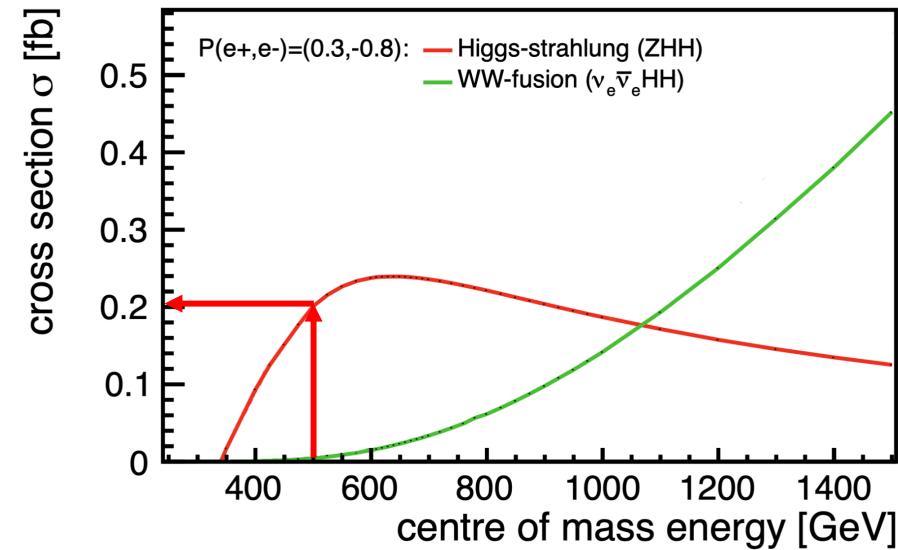
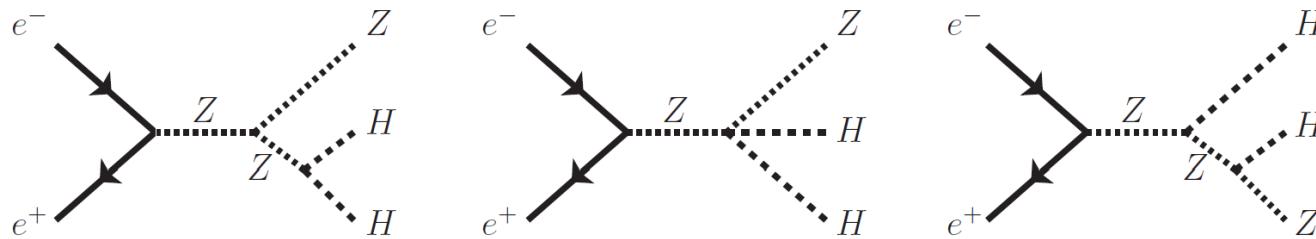
Measuring the Higgs self-coupling at e+e- colliders

- direct access to λ through double-Higgs production

- Di-Higgs strahlung (**ZHH**; dominant $< 1 \text{ TeV}$)
- vector boson fusion (**v̄vHH**; dominant $> 1 \text{ TeV}$)



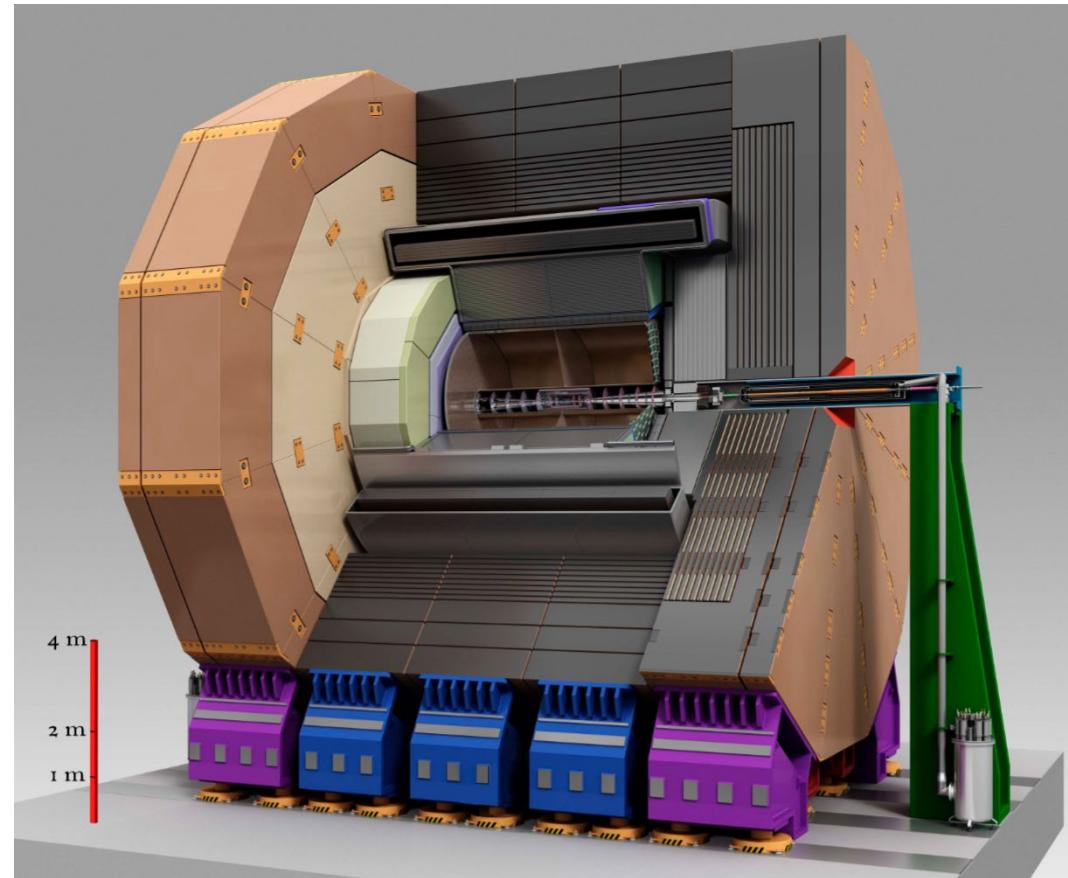
- degradation of sensitivity in ZHH by diagrams without λ



Cross-section of Di-Higgs production processes.
From [Du16]

The International Large Detector (ILD)

- well characterized, highly granular detector concept [[IDR](#)]
- designed around particle flow concept
 - allows reconstruction of individual physics objects (Particle Flow Objects, PFOs)
- full Geant4-based simulation available
 - including links between truth/reconstructed particles
- in the following: assuming ILD @ ILC500



Rendering of the ILD detector. From [[Ba19](#)]

The ZHH Analysis

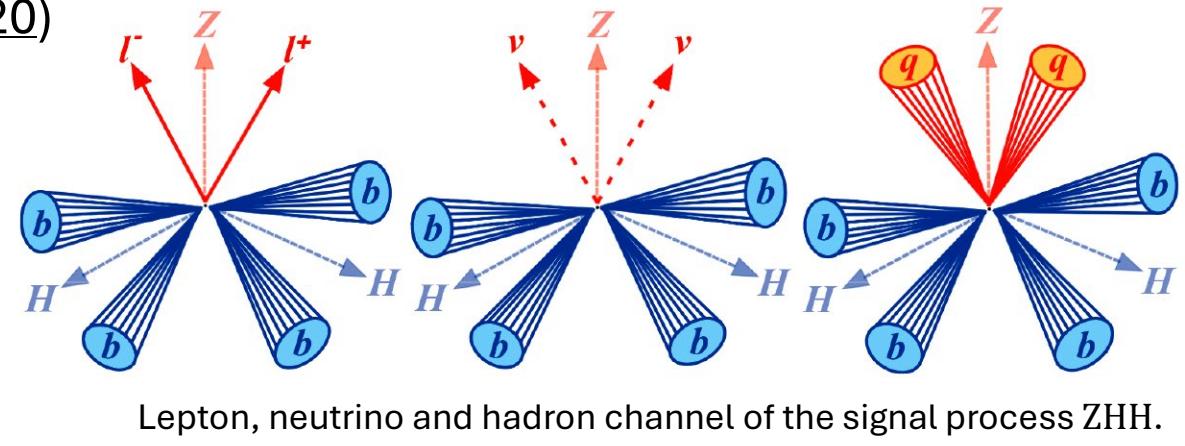
- extensive projections at ILC500 ([DESY-Thesis-16-027](#))

- based on ILD detector concept ([DBD2013](#), [IDR2020](#)) and *fully simulated* event samples
- 17 background and 3 signal channels considered
- multivariate (MVA) tools for multiple steps e.g. lepton and flavor tagging, background rejection etc.
- event counting weighted by m_{HH}^2 for further sensitivity enhancement

- precision reach after running 4ab^{-1} at 500 GeV ($\text{HH} \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b} + \text{HH} \rightarrow b\bar{b}W^\pm W^\mp$)

$$\frac{\Delta\sigma_{\text{ZHH}}}{\sigma_{\text{ZHH}}} = 16.8\%$$

$$\frac{\Delta\lambda_{\text{SM}}}{\lambda_{\text{SM}}} = 26.6\% \quad (10\% \text{ with additional upgrade to 1 TeV})$$



Bottlenecks in the ZHH analysis

- jet pairing and jet misclustering: “perfect” jet clustering → 40% improvement
improve di-jet mass resolution
- removal of $\gamma\gamma$ overlay: 15% improvement expected
important to tackle initial state radiation (ISR)
- flavor tagging: 11% improvement expected from 5% eff. increase with newer LCFIPlus
important as $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ is the dominant Higgs decay channel
- adding $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ channel: 8% improvement expected
include a yet unaccounted decay channel
- more modern ML architectures for signal/background selection
improvement expected when transitioning from BDTs to (e.g.) transformer-based models etc.
- separation of ZHH diagrams with/without the self-coupling
would directly improve the sensitivity on λ (lower sensitivity factor)

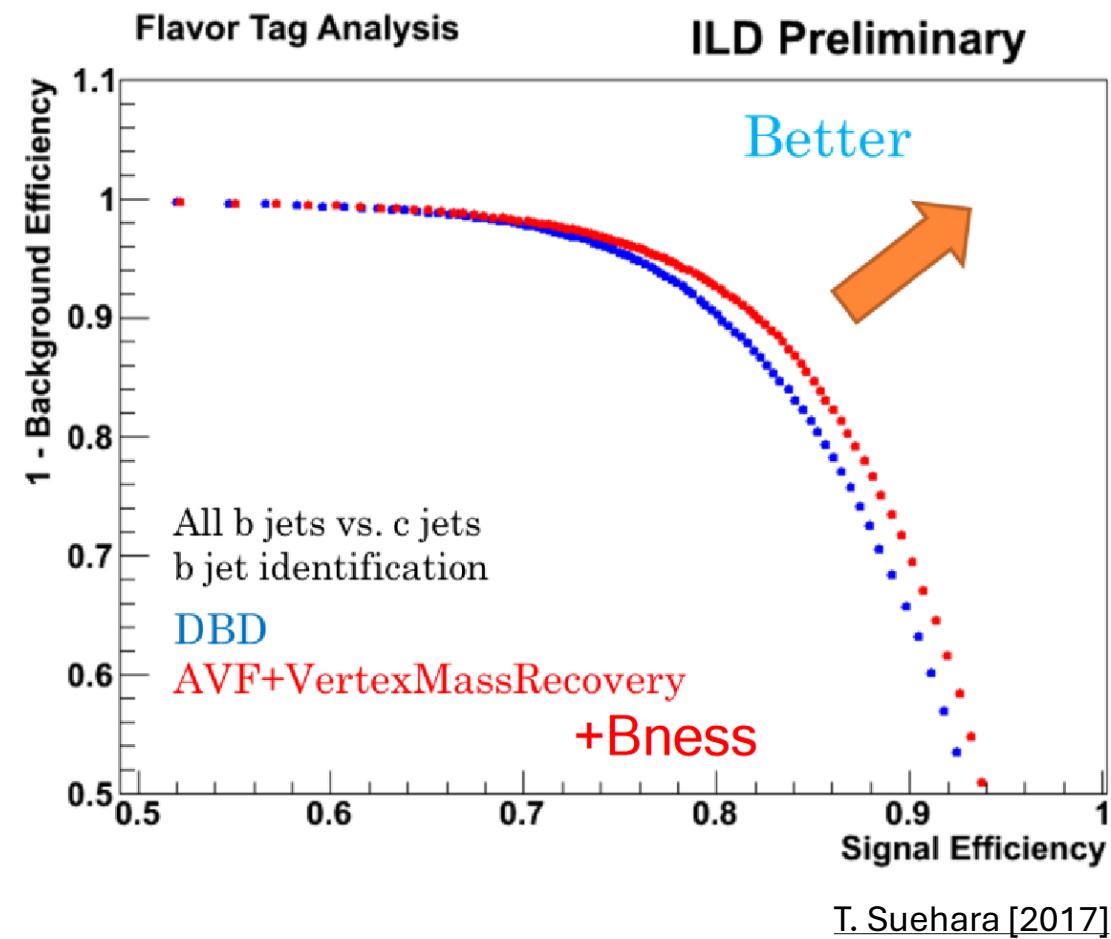
Expected relative
improvements from
[DESY-Thesis-16-027](#)

Tools of Today

State-of-the-art (SOTA) tools for reconstruction and analysis expected to improve the sensitivity on λ

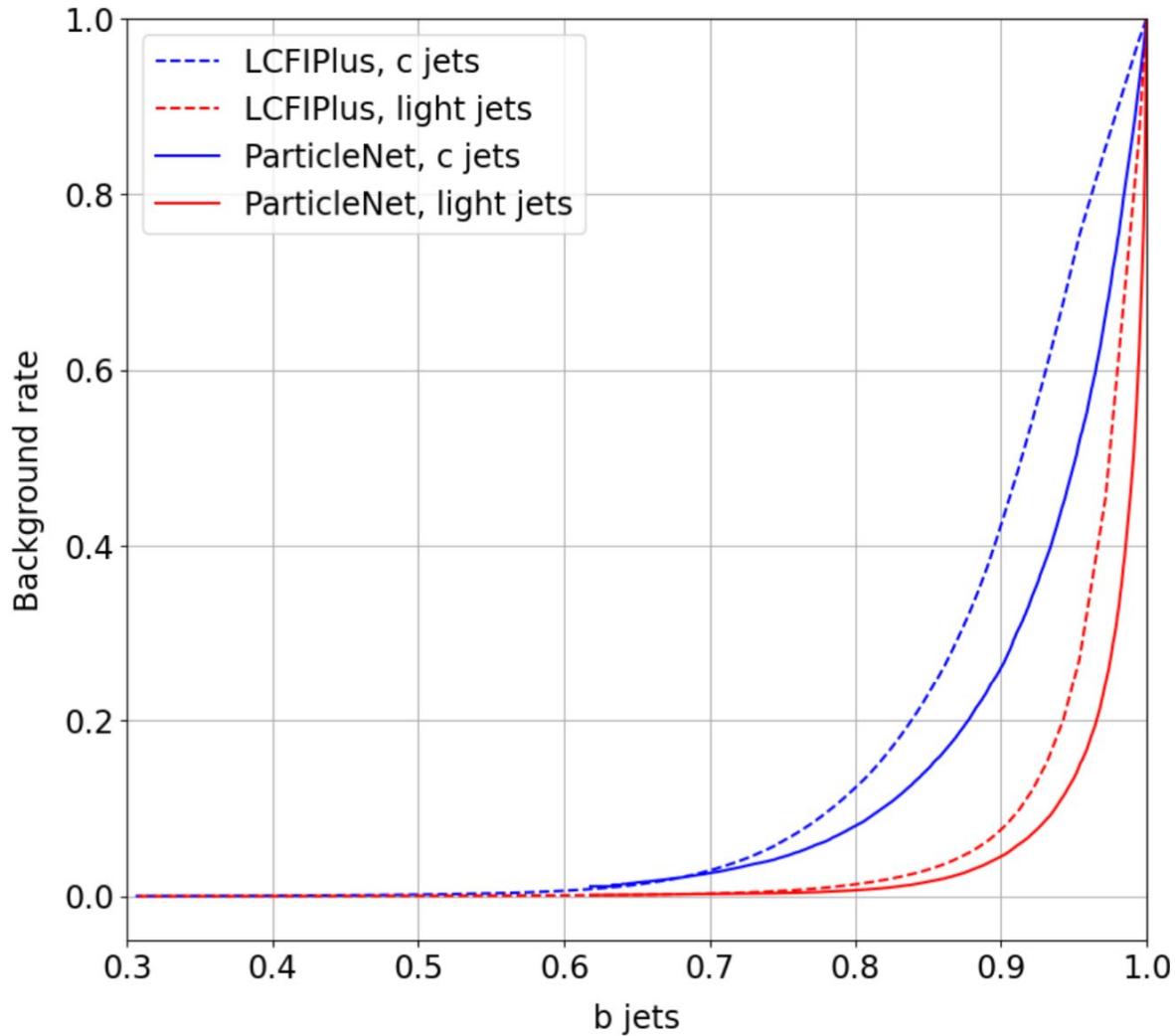
Flavor tagging with LCFIPlus

- improved b -tagging efficiency in current ILD standard LCFIPlus since SOTA projections from 2016
 - 5% relative improvement in ϵ_{b-tag} at same purity
 - 11% expected improvement in $\Delta\sigma_{ZHH}/\sigma_{ZHH}$



Flavor tagging with ML (ParticleNet)

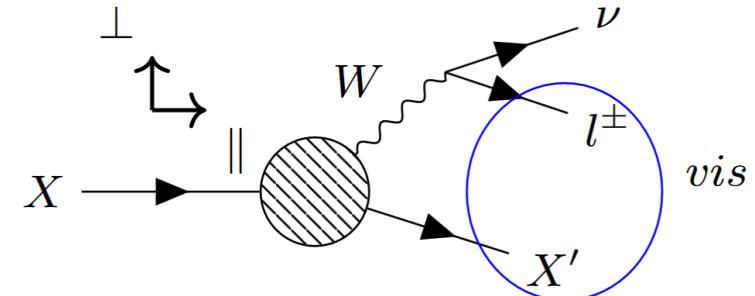
- improved b -tagging efficiency since state-of-the-art projections from 2016
- ML models (DeepJet, ParticleNet, ParT) show highly improved rejection compared to LCFIPlus
- status: ready for use (in MarlinML)



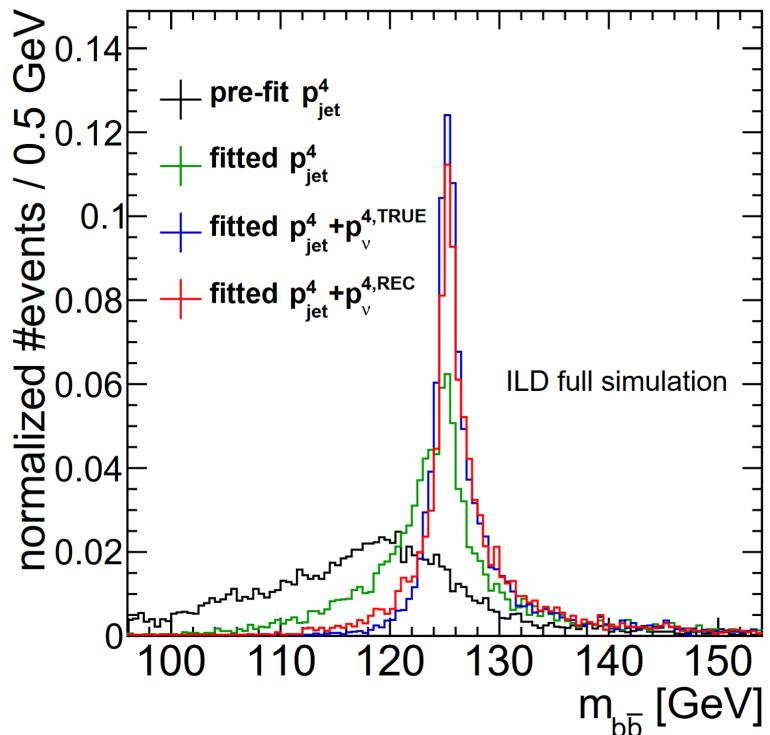
Flavor tagging performance of LCFIPlus vs. ParticleNet using ILD full simulation. M. Meyer [2023]

Neutrino correction with kinematic fitting

- for semileptonic decay (SLD) processes
 - already in $ZH \rightarrow b\bar{b}/c\bar{c}$, 66% of events include at least one SLD
- procedure:
 - identify/tag heavy quark jet
 - identify lepton in jet
 - calculate neutrino four momentum from kinematics with kinematic fitting, the best solution is selected
- status: in production (in MarlinReco)



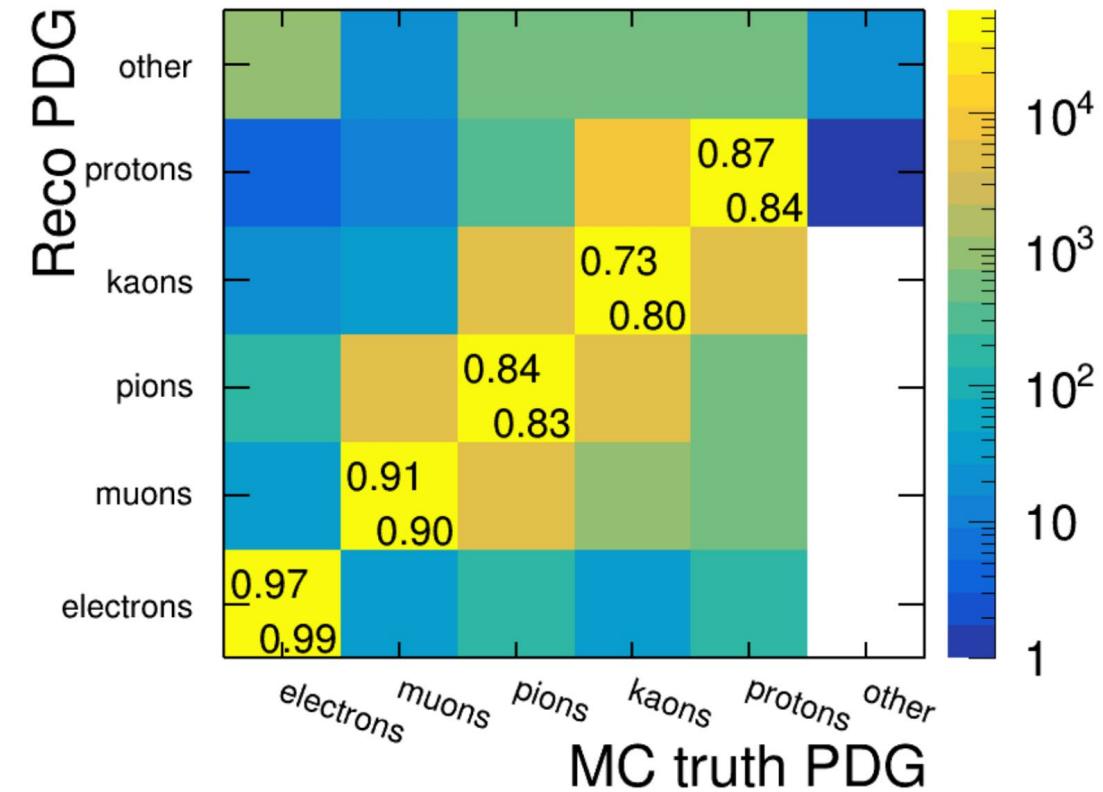
Recovering the neutrino kinematics. [Y. Radkhorrami \[2022\]](#)



Improved di-jet mass reconstruction. [Y. Radkhorrami \[2022\]](#)

Comprehensive Particle Identification (CPID)

- modular and highly configurable PID toolkit
 - “plug-and-play“ of multiple data sources
e.g. at ILD: dE/dx, TOF, cluster shape
 - extension through custom inference modules
e.g. MVA/ML models etc.
- includes default weights for BDT model
- status: in production (in MarlinReco)



Confusion matrix for single charged particles at ILD.
[U. Einhaus \(2023\)](#)

Conclusion I: The ZHH Analysis with SOTA-Tools

- major advancements in key aspects since last ZHH analysis [Du16]
 - flavor tagging efficiency improved by at least 5% ($\approx 10\%$ with ML tools)
 - kinematic fits benefit substantially from full ErrorFlow parameterization
 - neutrino correction has greatly improved di-jet mass resolution in events with SLDs
 - CPID improves particle ID performance by separating detector data and inference
- **better than 20% sensitivity of $\Delta\lambda_{SM} / \lambda_{SM}$ expected with SOTA tools [To24b]**

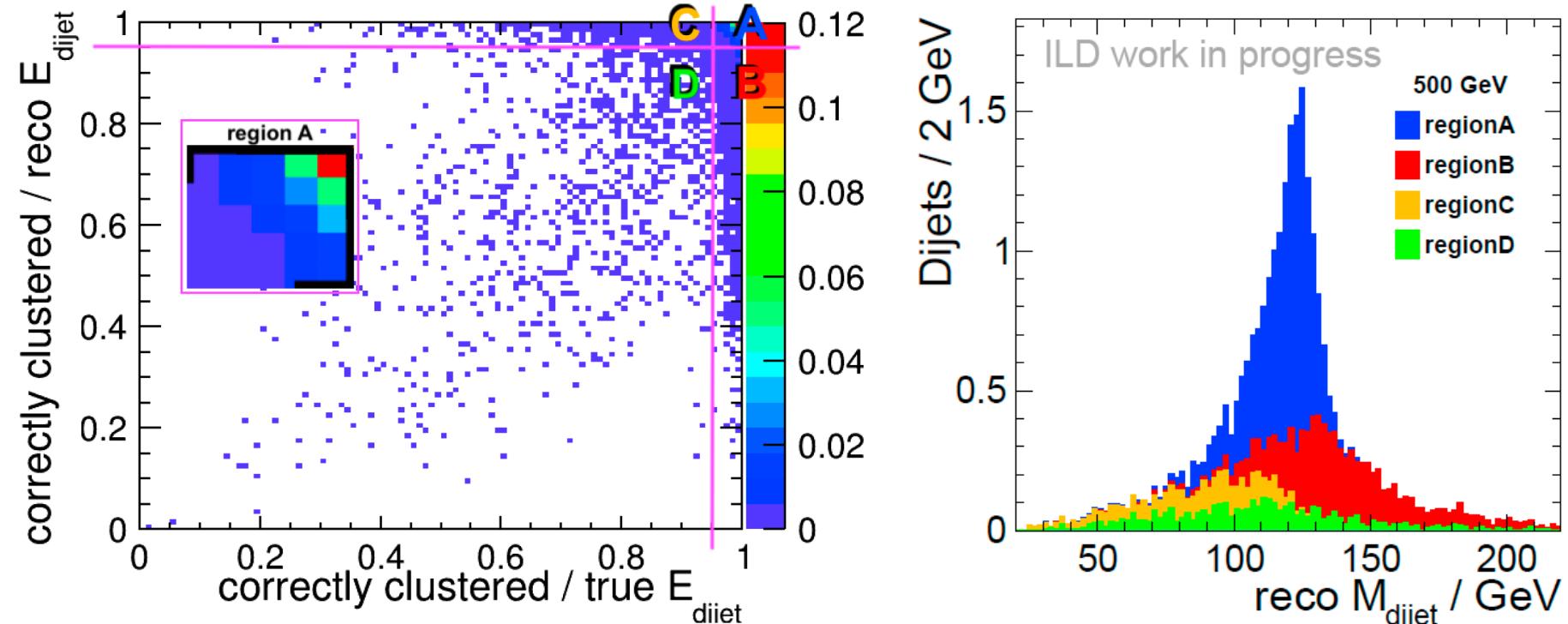
Tools of Tomorrow

Potential future tools for reconstruction and analysis

Motivation: Misclustering in the ZHH analysis

- misclustering of PFOs to jets deteriorates the sensitivity to λ by ≈ 2 [Du16]
- quantification: purity vs efficiency of energy in reconstructed di-jets
- classify di-jets into 4 regions (A, B, C, D) based on threshold: $> 95\%$ on both axes
 - e.g. 45.5% of dijets in region A

Misclustering in the ZHH analysis
J. Torndal, J. List (2023)



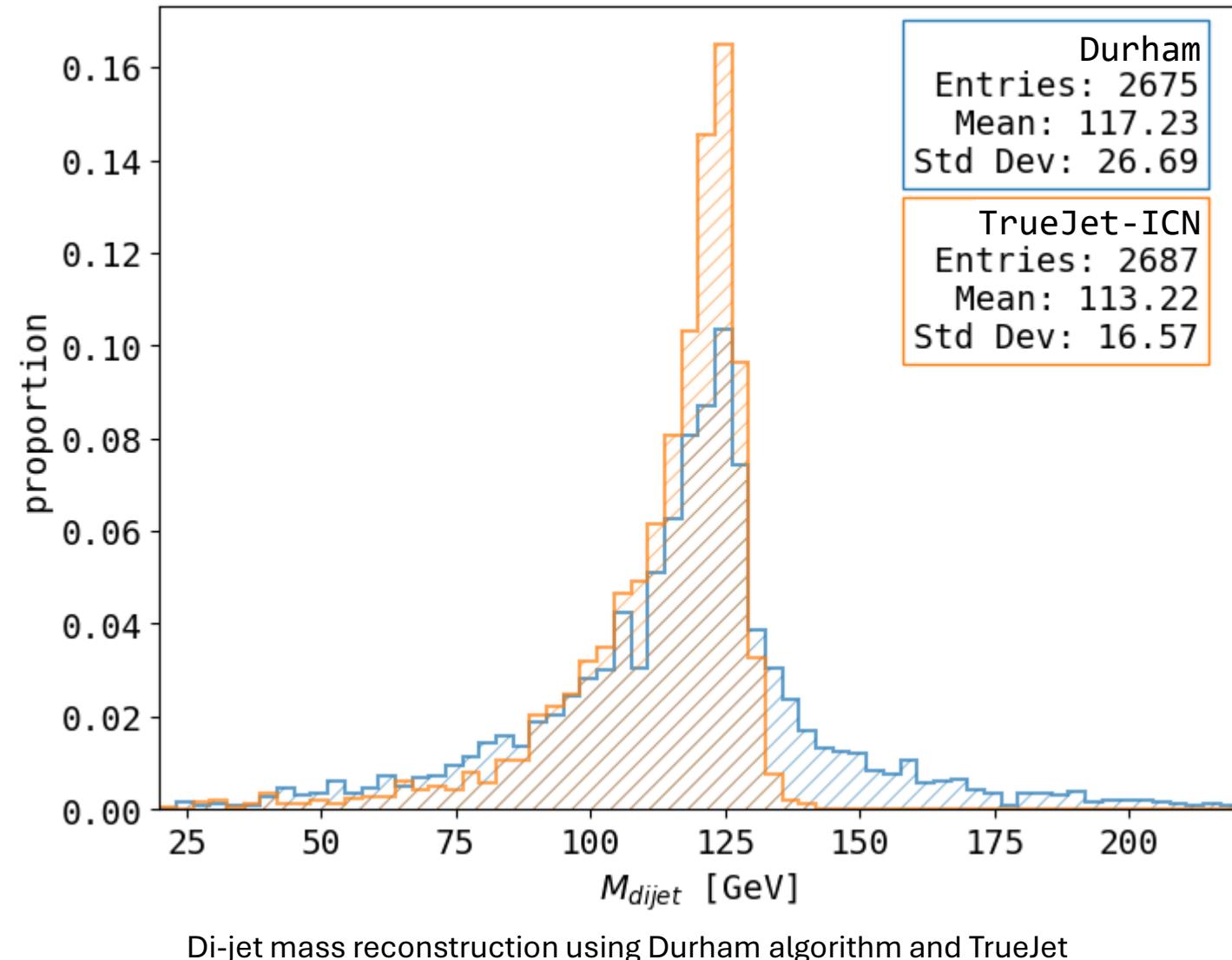
Misclustering in ZHH events at ILC500. From [To23b]

Supervised Jet Clustering

- idea: learn from truth-reco links to cluster PFOs into jets
 - upper performance bar given by TrueJet-ICN jet clustering
 - realistic target performance bounded by Durham and TrueJet

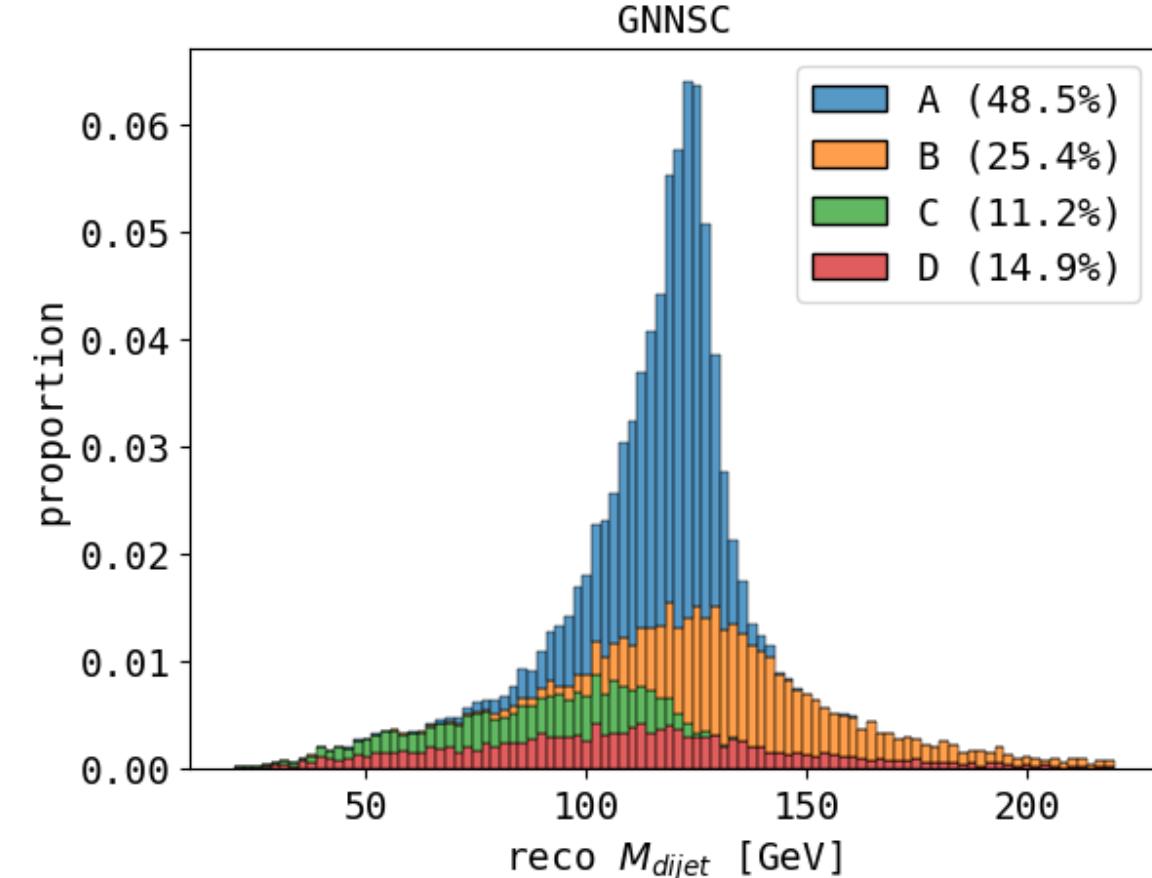
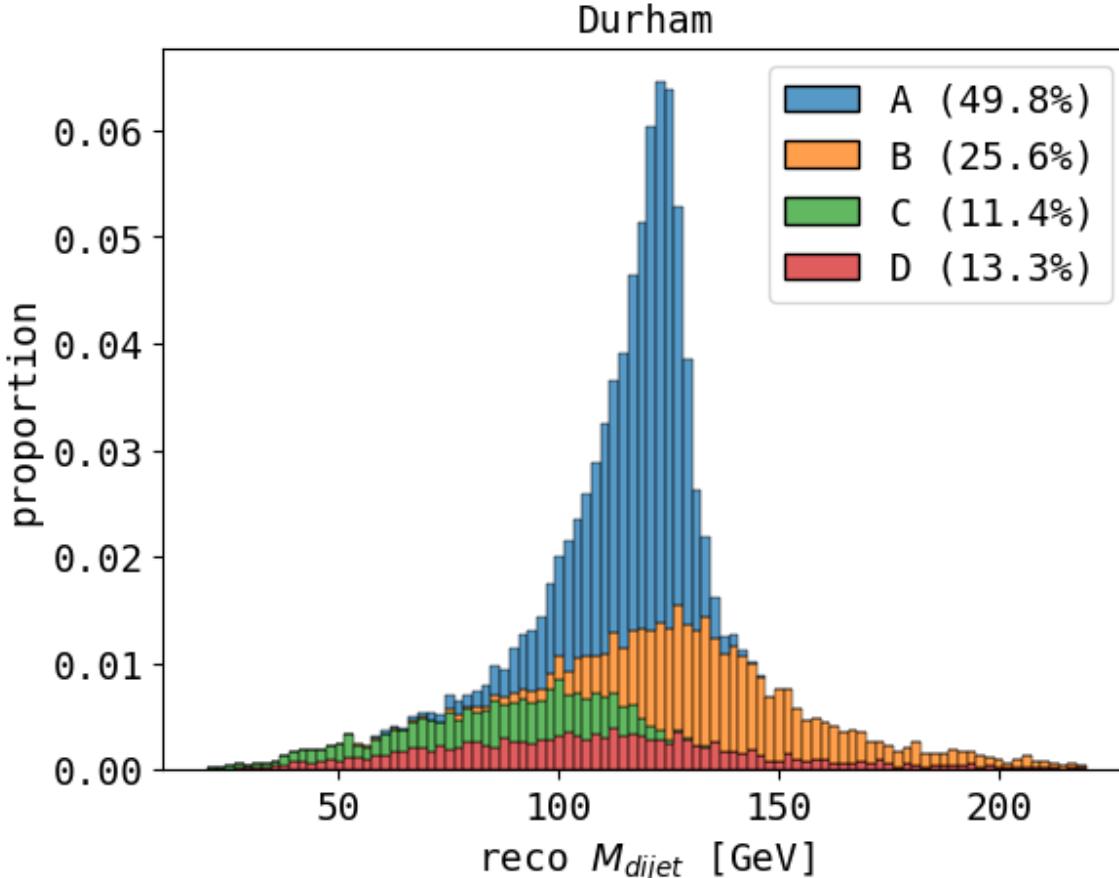
Inspired by: Supervised jet clustering with graph neural networks for Lorentz boosted bosons. Nachman et al. [Na20]

TrueJet: M. Berggren (2018)



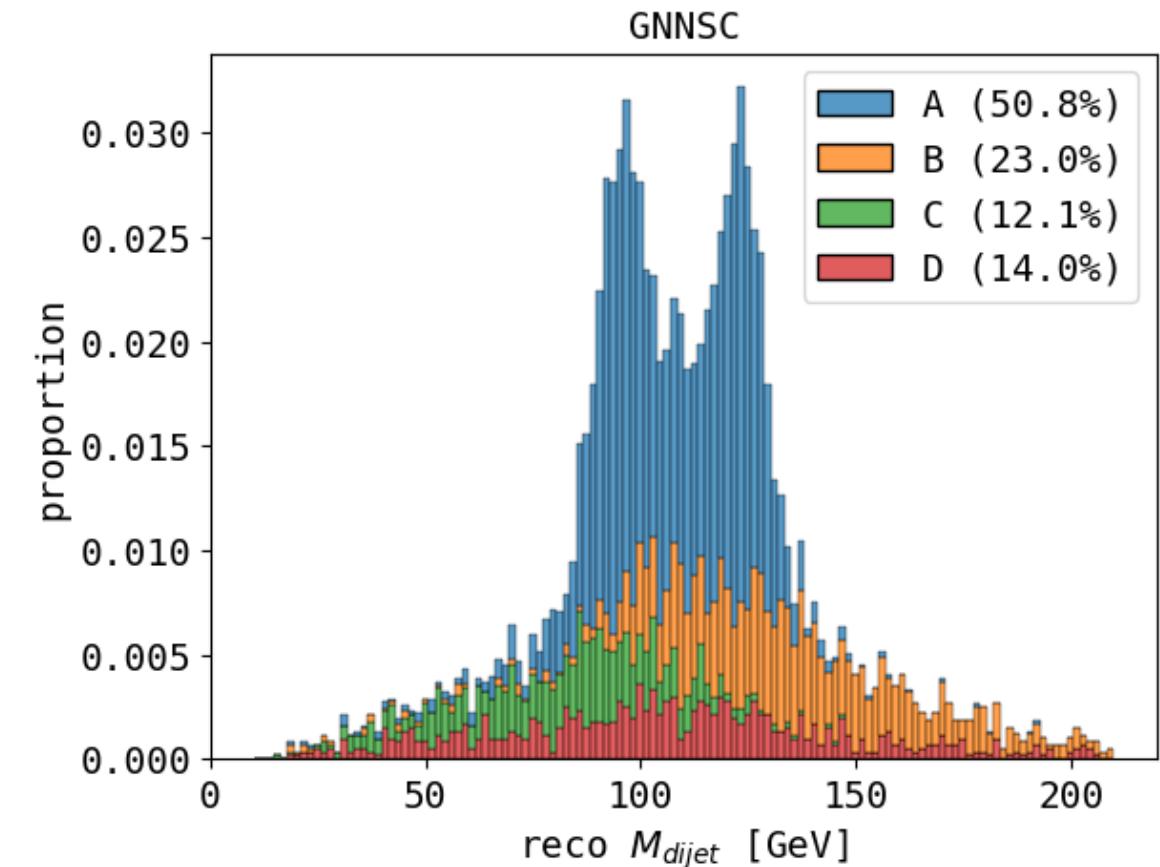
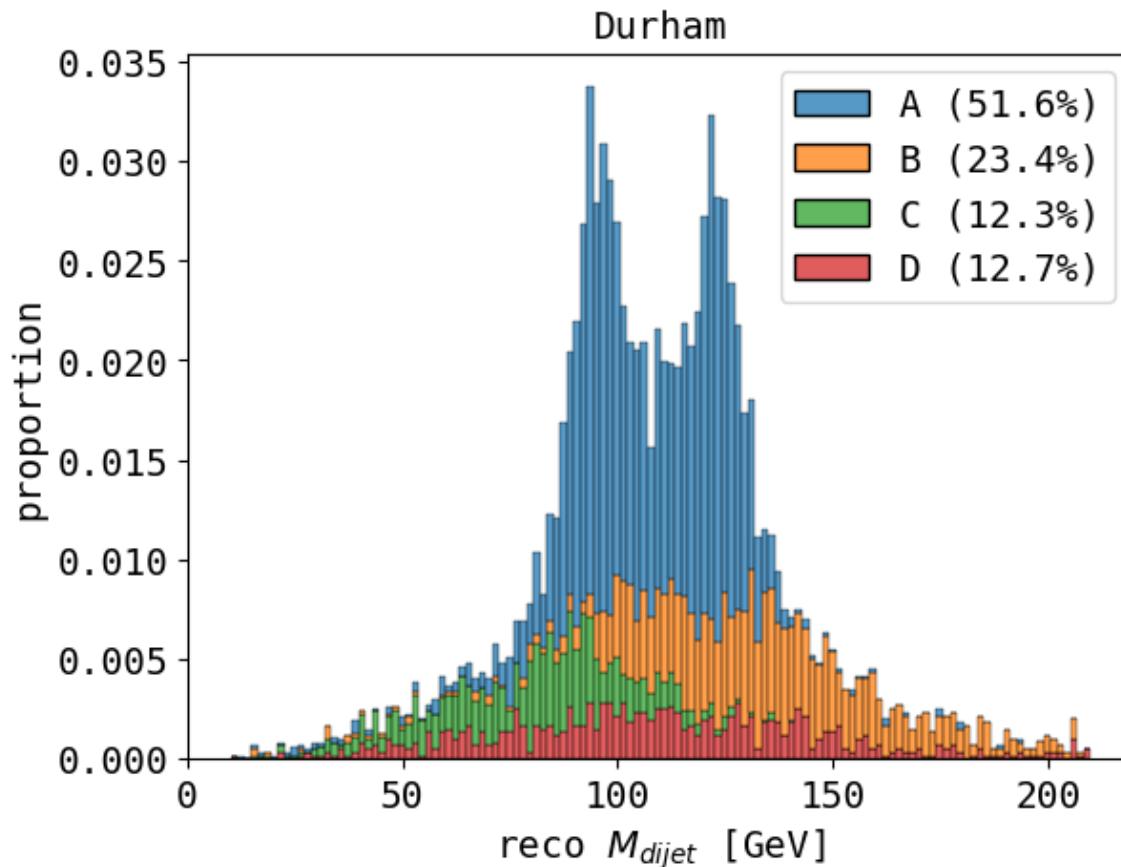
Supervised Jet Clustering

- proof-of-concept ML model (GNNSC) shows performance on par with Durham
 - status: proof-of-concept ([Marlin processor available](#))
 - in the future: investigate more powerful architectures



Jet Clustering on ZZH events

- model was learned on ZHH events; how well does it generalize to ZZH events?
 - again, nearly identical performance of Durham and GNNSC model



The Matrix Element Method (MEM)

- method for calculating event-likelihoods, i.e. $p(\text{event } \mathbf{x}|\text{channel i}) = p_i(\mathbf{x})$

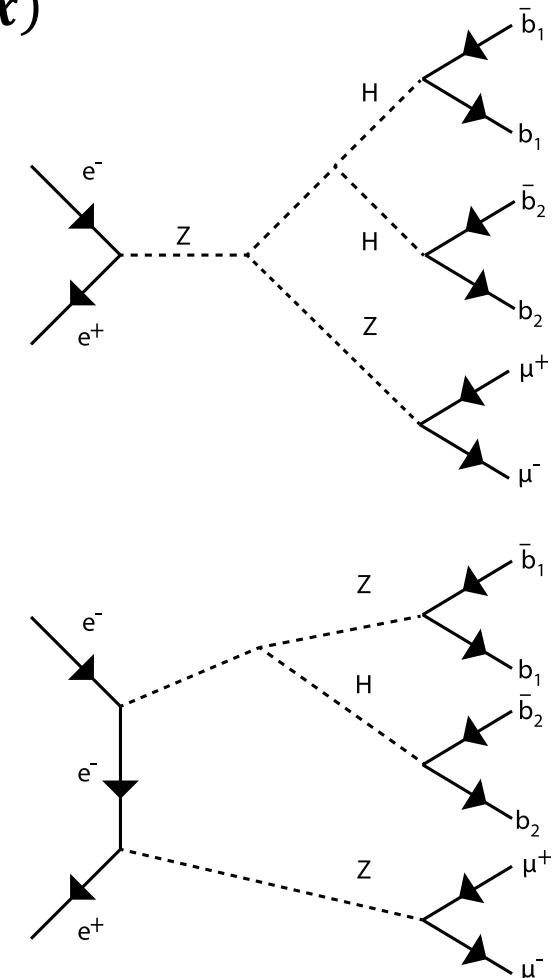
- example use case: separate ZHH vs. ZZH $\rightarrow \mu^-\mu^+ b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ using likelihood ratio lr

$$\text{lr} = \frac{p_{ZHH}}{p_{ZZH}}$$

- binary classification by cutting on lr
- for each event \mathbf{y} and process i (ZHH, ZZH), solve integral

$$p_i(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{\sigma_i \cdot A_i} \int |M_i(\mathbf{x})|^2 W_i(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}) \epsilon_i(\mathbf{x}) d\Phi_n(\mathbf{x})$$

- $M_i(\mathbf{x})$ LO matrix element
- $W_i(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x})$ transfer function (TF): PDF for measuring \mathbf{y} given \mathbf{x} ; fit from ILD full-simulation samples



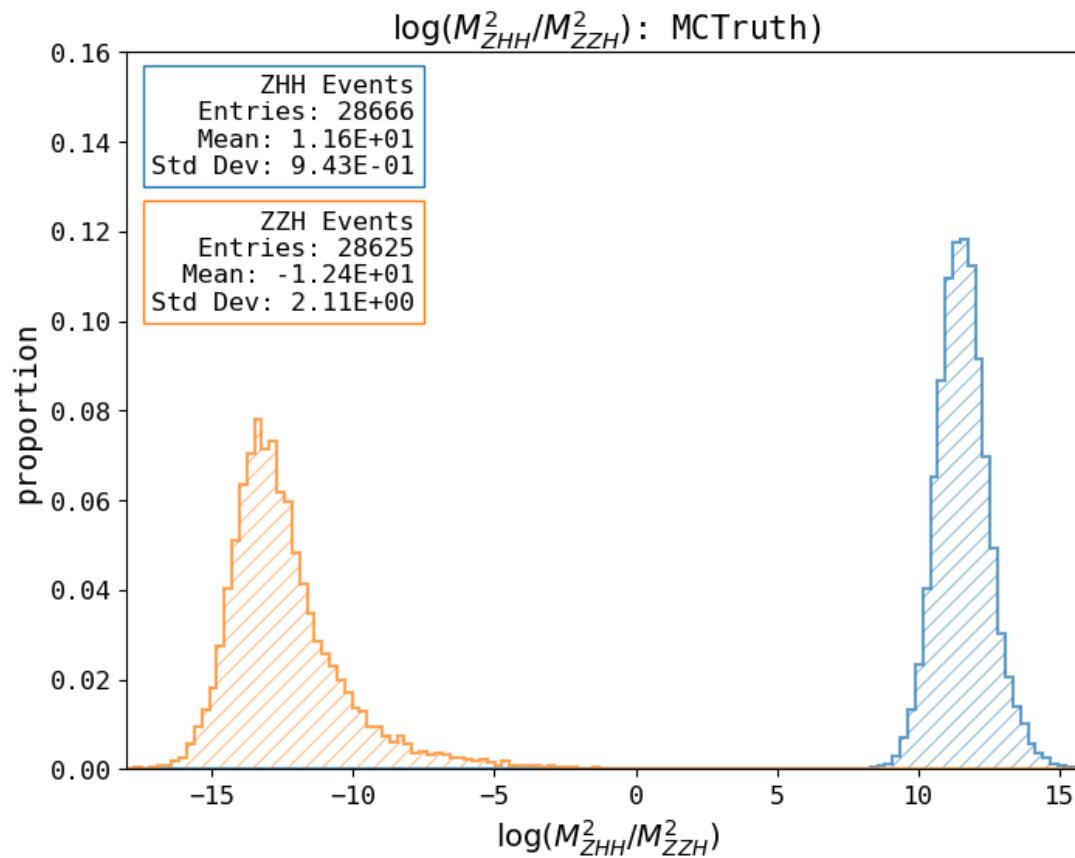
A_i : acceptance of channel i
 $\epsilon_i(\mathbf{x})$: detector efficiency

MEM Introduction with Examples

generator level check

- excellent separation

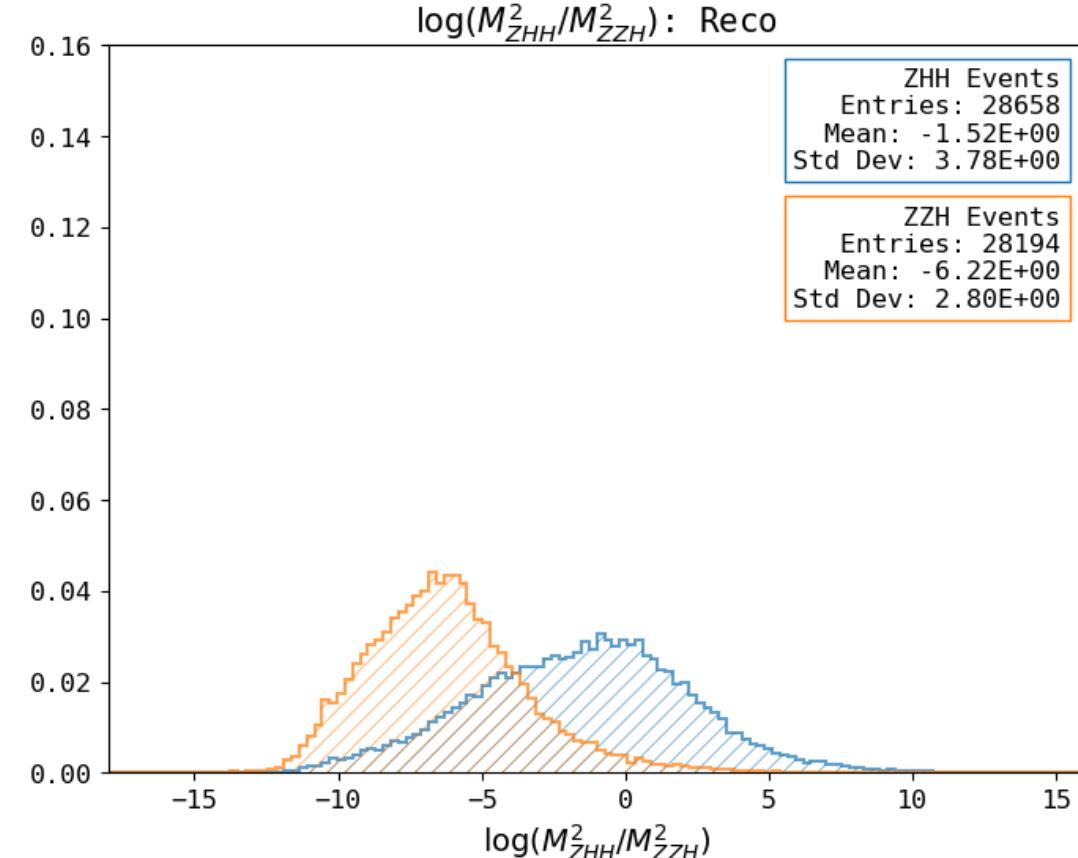
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MEM type	ME only		
ME+DTF	-		



naive MEM

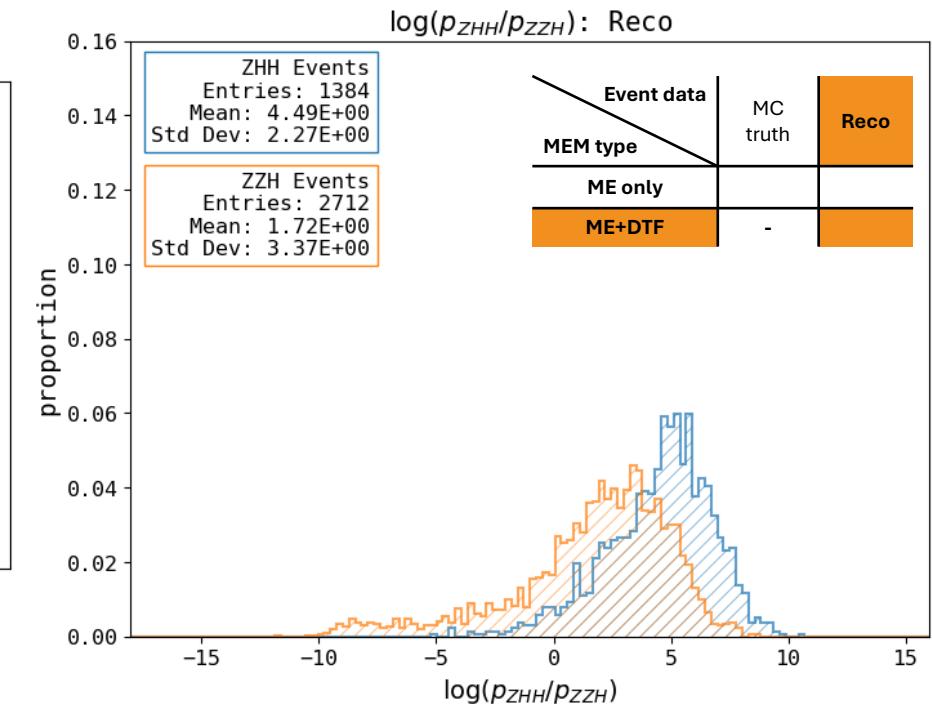
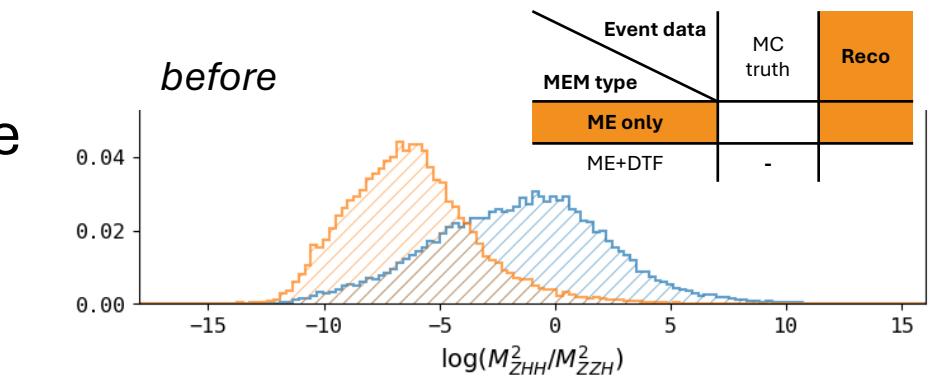
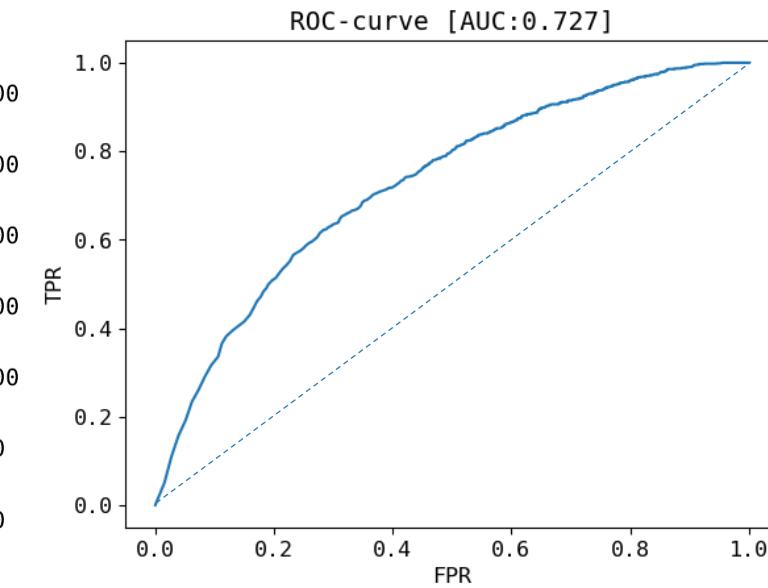
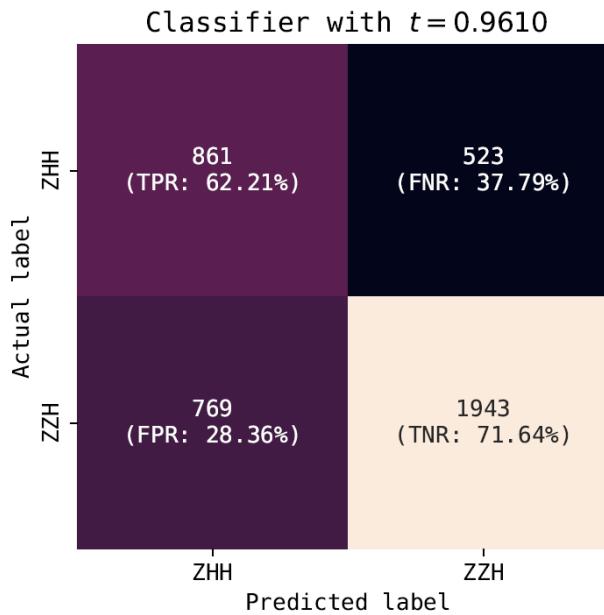
- separation power lost
- need to describe smearing with TFs

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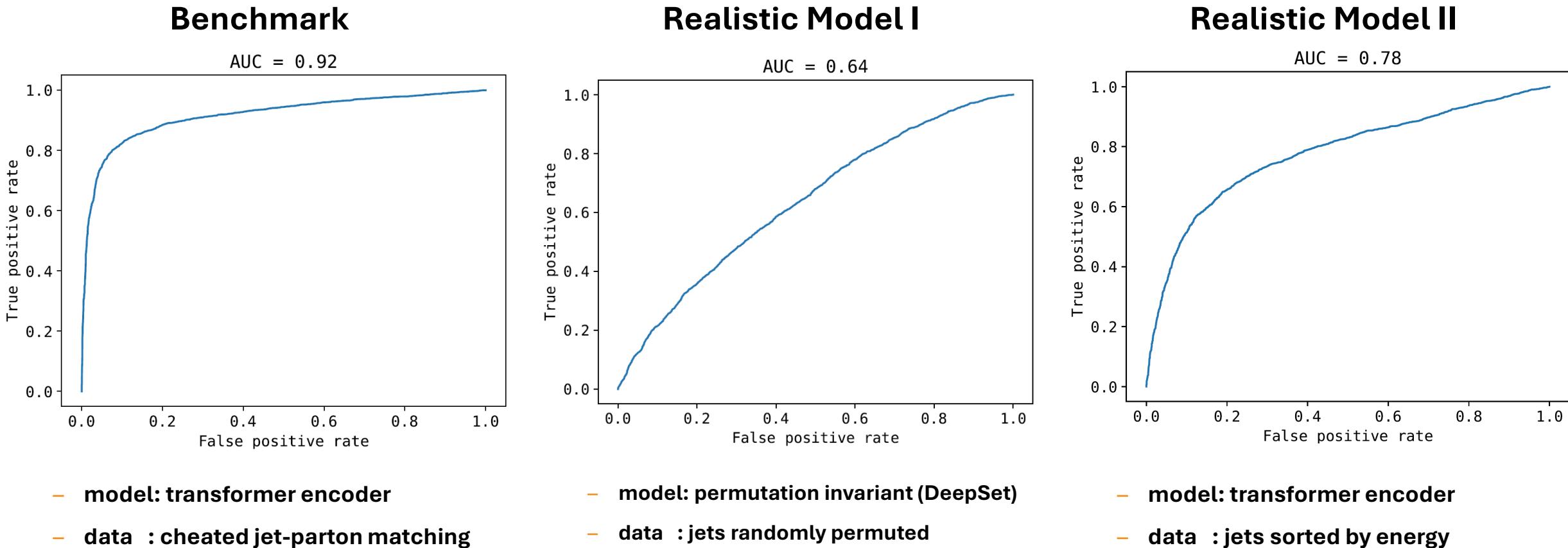
MEM Results

- obtained using VEGAS algorithm
- by including integration over transfer functions, some separation power is regained; AUROC = 0.73



Direct S/B Separation with ML models

- using different architectures, a binary classifier is learned to again separate ZHH/ZZH
- input data: sets of four-momenta of the muons and b-jets; train/test ratio: 80/20



Conclusion II: The ZHH Analysis with potential future tools



- in existing ZHH analysis: jet clustering as one leading source of uncertainty [Du16]
 - “proof-of-concept” supervised ML model for jet clustering implemented
 - performance approximately on par with current reconstruction (Durham algorithm)
- MEM implemented with example use case of process separation
 - time-complexity remains an issue due to phase space integration
 - in theory, gives access to perfect discriminator
- ML models for direct separation of ZHH/ZZH:
 - demonstrated that jet-parton matching is key information for separation power
 - best separation (AUROC = 0.78, AvgPrecision = 67%)

General Conclusion

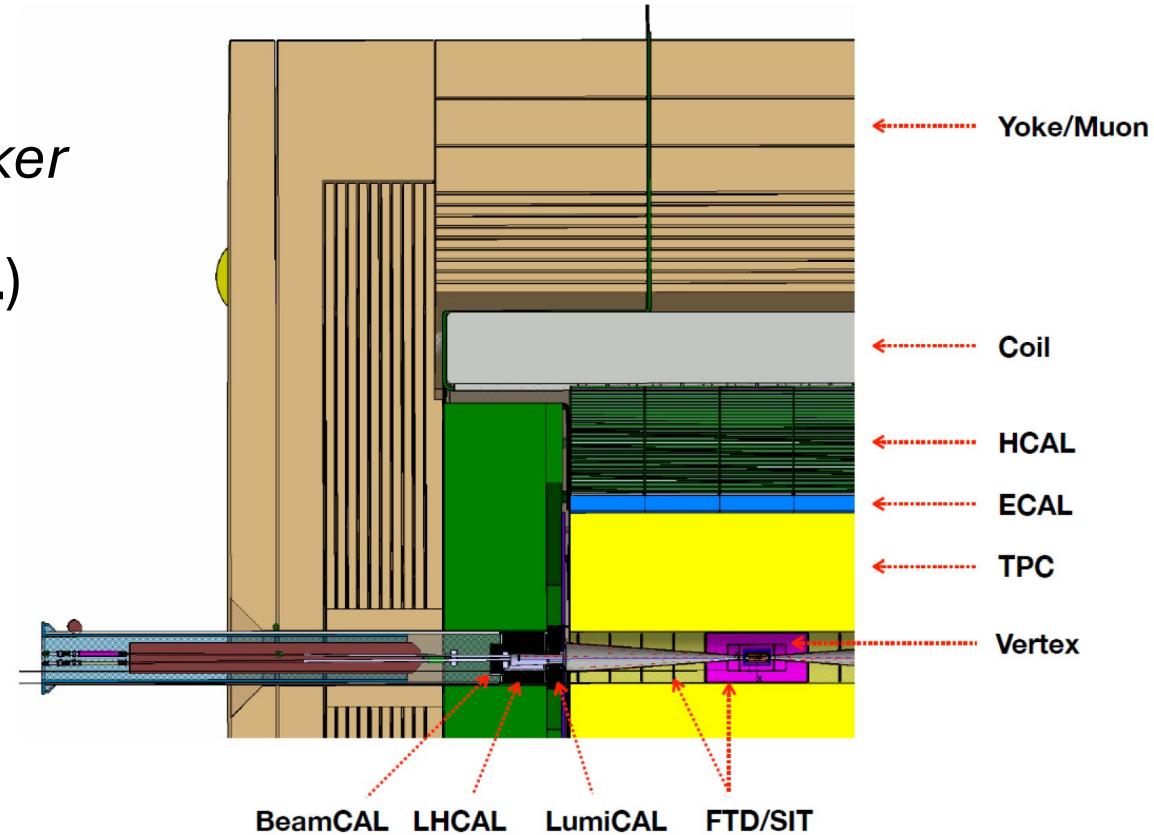
- major improvements in key analysis tools since last ZHH study [Du16]
 - existing SOTA tools are expected to improve the sensitivity on $\Delta\lambda_{SM} / \lambda_{SM}$ to **better than 20%**
- jet clustering and process separation identified as leading sources of error [Du16]
 - proof-of-concept ML jet clustering on par with Durham
 - MEM implementation and ML models shown to improve channel separation
 - true/reco links from ILD full sim allow unique possibilities for supervised ML
- outlook:
 - new estimates on $\Delta\lambda/\lambda$ with SOTA reconstruction and analysis underway
 - plan for new MC production at $\sqrt{s} = 550$ GeV with SLAC
 - currently investigating relevant samples (2f irrelevant?; check 6f, 4f backgrounds)

Thank you for listening!

Backup

The International Large Detector (ILD)

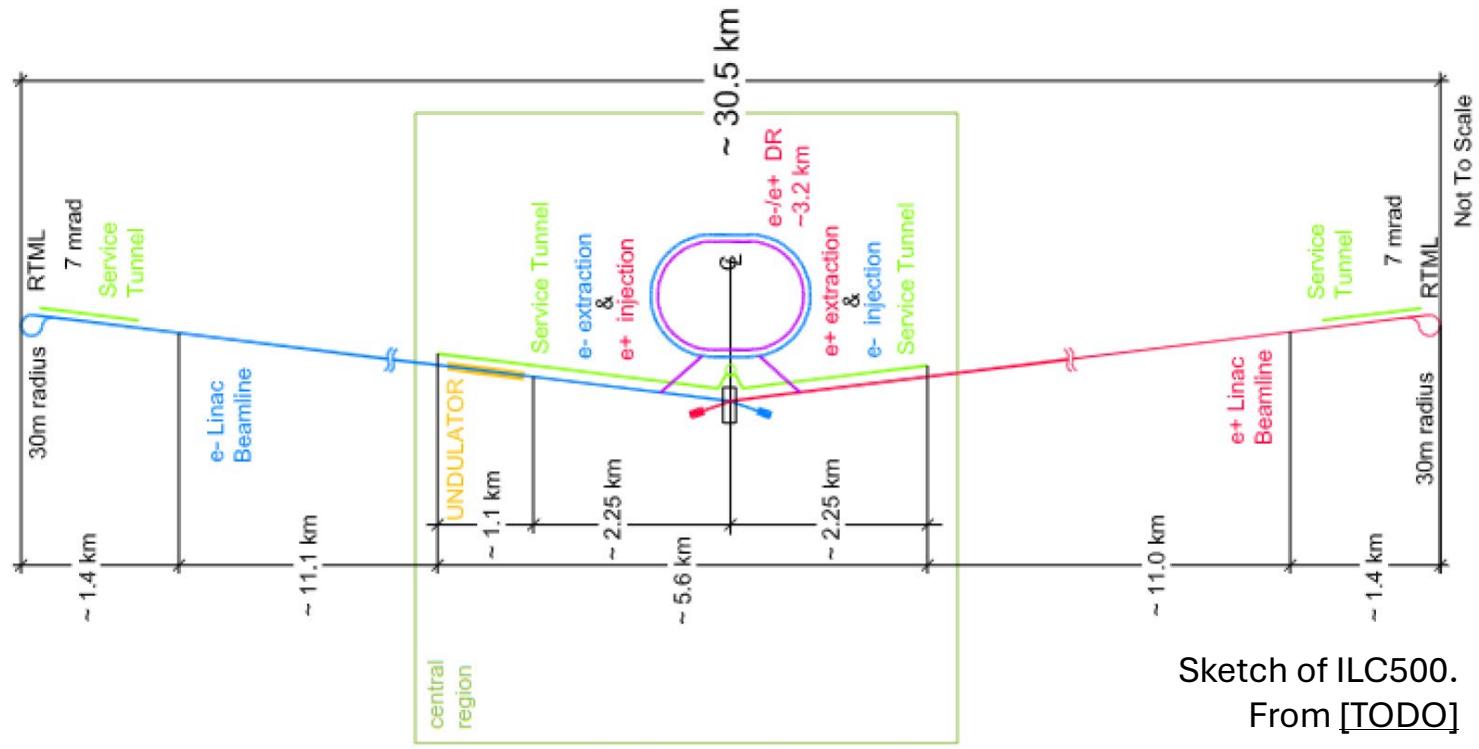
- inner and forward tracker (**SiT, FTD**)
 - precise identification of decay vertices
- time-projection chamber (**TPC**) as main *tracker*
- electromagnetic (**ECAL**) and hadronic (**HCAL**) calorimeters inside magnetic coil to reduce material budget



Quarter-slice through the ILD detector. From [\[TODO\]](#)

The International Linear Collider (ILC)

- linear collider concept with multiple energy stages ($\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\text{GeV}} = 250, 500, 1000$)
 - 500 GeV stage allows direct measurements of λ through di-Higgs production
- mature concept (TDR), technologies available (superconducting RF-cavities etc.)



Future Higgs Factories

- goal: high production of Higgs bosons
- e^+e^- colliders for precision measurements
- different concepts proposed:
 - linear (ILC, CLIC, C^3):
 - maximum energy constrained by length
 - direct measurements of λ possible
 - measurements with polarized beams possible
 - circular (FCC-ee, CEPC):
 - maximum energy limited by synchrotron radiation
 - higher luminosities through beam reuse

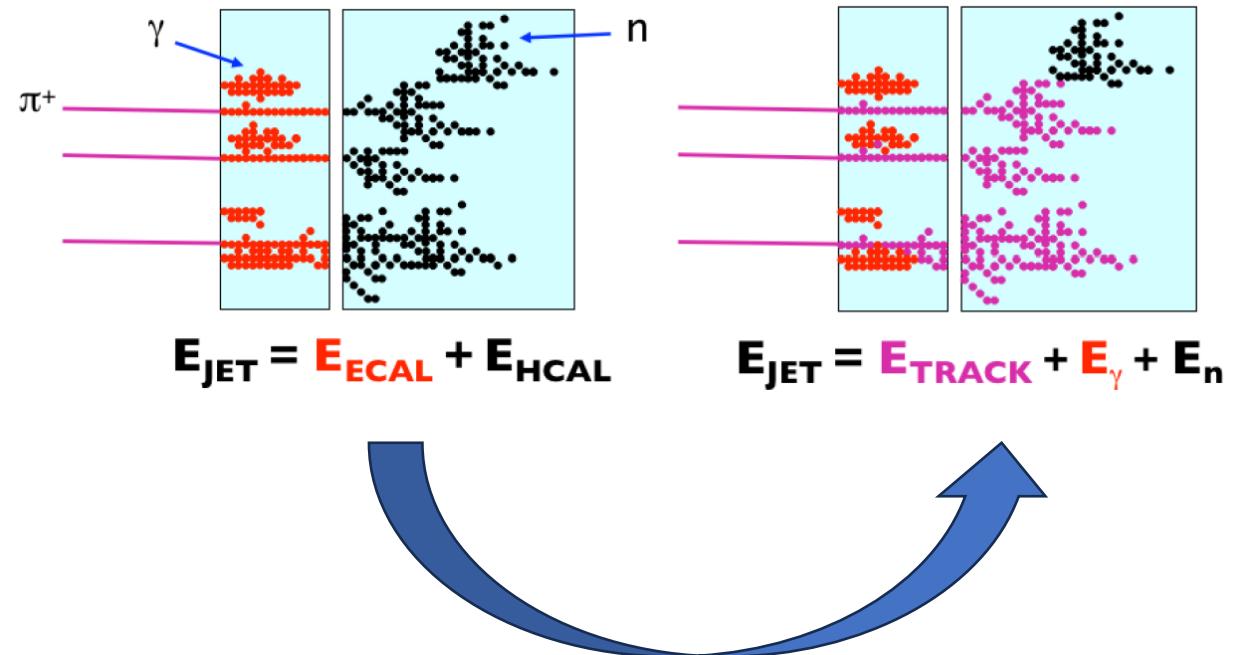
Collider	\sqrt{s}	$\mathcal{P}(e^-/e^+)[\%]$	N_{det}	$\mathcal{L}[\text{abarn}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}]$
ILC	250 GeV	$\pm 80/\pm 30$	1	2.0
	500 GeV	$\pm 80/\pm 30$	1	4.0
	1000 GeV	$\pm 80/\pm 30$	1	8.0
CLIC	380 GeV	$\pm 80/0$	1	1.0
	1.5 TeV	$\pm 80/0$	1	2.5
	3.0 TeV	$\pm 80/0$	1	5.0
C^3	250 GeV	$\pm x/0$?	1.3
	550 GeV	$\pm x/0$?	2.4
FCC-ee	M_Z	0/0	2	150
	$2M_W$	0/0	2	10
	240 GeV	0/0	2	5
	$2m_{top}$	0/0	2	1.5
CEPC	M_Z	0/0	2	16
	$2M_W$	0/0	2	2.6
	240 GeV	0/0	2	5.6
HALHF	250 GeV	0/0	1	≈ 2

Comparison of selected physics programs at the proposed accelerators ILC, CLIC, FCCee, CEPC, C^3 and HALHF. From [Db20]

Particle Flow

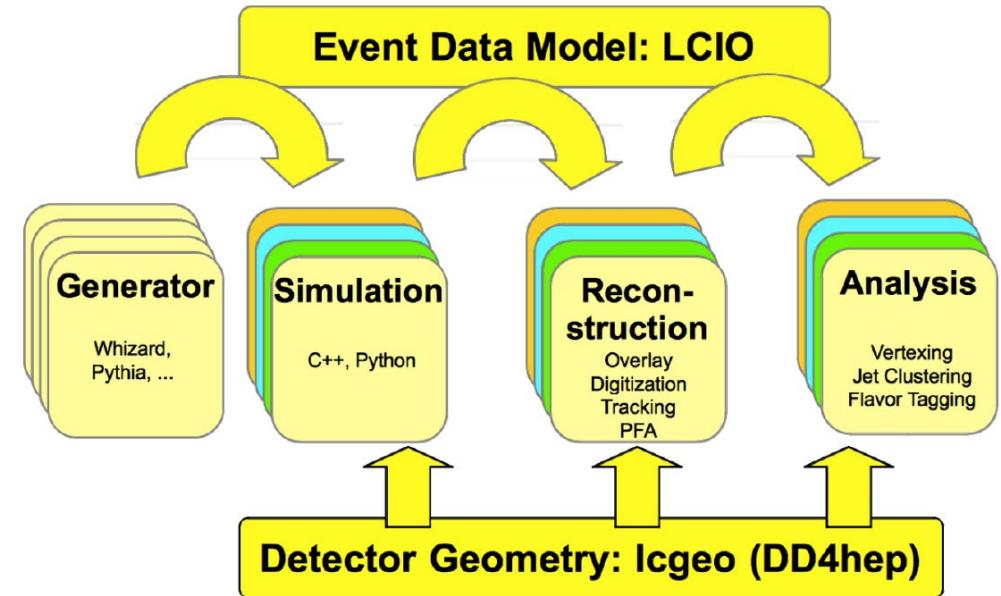
- use best combined information between detectors for highest energy resolution (**Particle Flow objects, PFOs**)
- goal: best jet energy resolution

From traditional to particle flow calorimetry. From [Du16]



Software

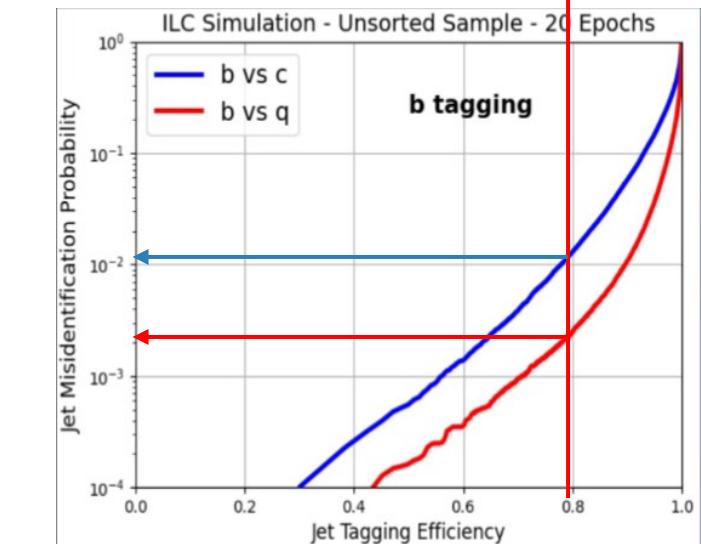
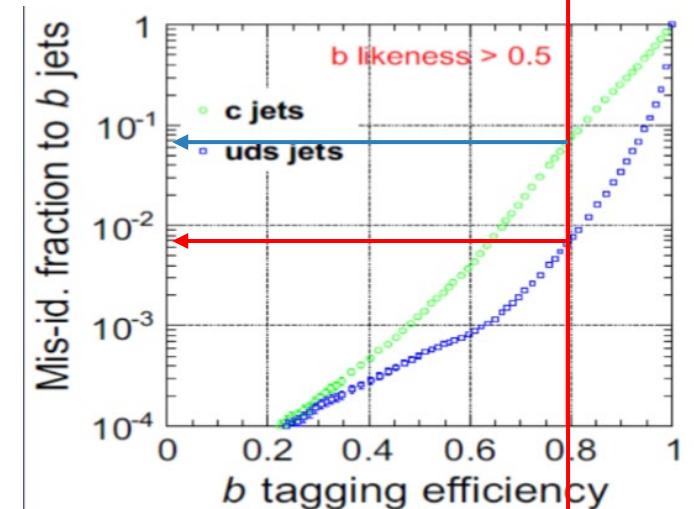
- iLCSoft software stack
- Marlin for reconstruction;
important in existing ZHH-analysis:
 - TrueJet: jet-clustering of PFOs using truth information
 - isolated lepton tagging: decision trees for tagging leptons



Event flow in the iLCSoft stack. From [TODO]

Flavor tagging with ML (ParT)

- improved b -tagging efficiency since state-of-the-art projections from 2016
- ML models (DeepJet, ParticleNet, ParT) show highly improved rejection compared to LCFIPlus
- status: ready for use (in MarlinML)



Flavor tagging performance of LCFIPlus (top) vs. ParT (bottom) at ILD full simulation. T. Suehara [2023]

- assume full parameterization of errors for individual jets

$$\sigma_{E_{jet}} = \sigma_{Det} \oplus \sigma_{Conf} \oplus \sigma_{\nu} \oplus \sigma_{clus} \oplus \sigma_{Had} \oplus \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$$

- σ_{Det} : detector resolution [Y. Radkhorrami \[2022\]](#)
- σ_{Conf} : particle confusion in particle flow algorithm
- σ_{ν} : neutrino correction

- status: in production (in [MarlinReco](#))

- Durham algorithm: common jet-clustering method at e^+e^- -colliders
 - sequential algorithm: cluster objects (here: PFOs) i and j together by lowest test variable y_{ij} until either a cut $y_{ij} > y_{cut}$ or a number of jets is reached; in Durham:

$$y_{ij} = \frac{M_{ij}^2}{Q^2}$$
$$M_{ij}^2 = k_\perp^2 = 2 \min(E_i, E_j)^2 \cdot (1 - \cos \theta_{ij})$$

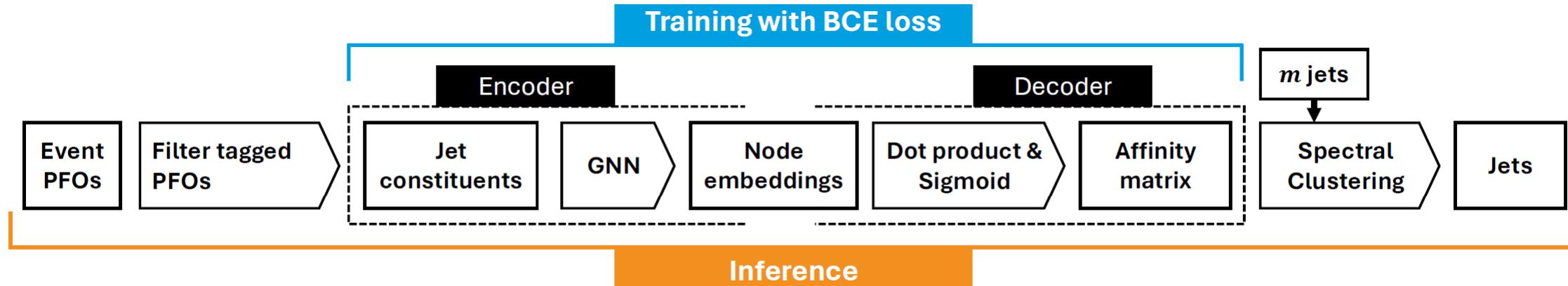
- is **IRC-safe**: same result when arbitrarily soft/colinear input objects are added

Architecture: Supervised Jet Clustering with GNNs

- here: implemented as hybrid model (**GNNSC**)

TransformerConv operator from the paper *Masked Label Prediction: Unified Message Passing Model for Semi-Supervised Classification* [Sh20].

- training a GNN in supervised manner to calculate edge scores
here: using TransformerConv layer (implements message-passing and graph attention)
- spectral clustering (SC) to build “jets”



- advantages:

- permutation invariant by construction
- straightforward implementation

- disadvantages:

- not fully differentiable
- no inherent IRC-safety

Assumptions for the MEM

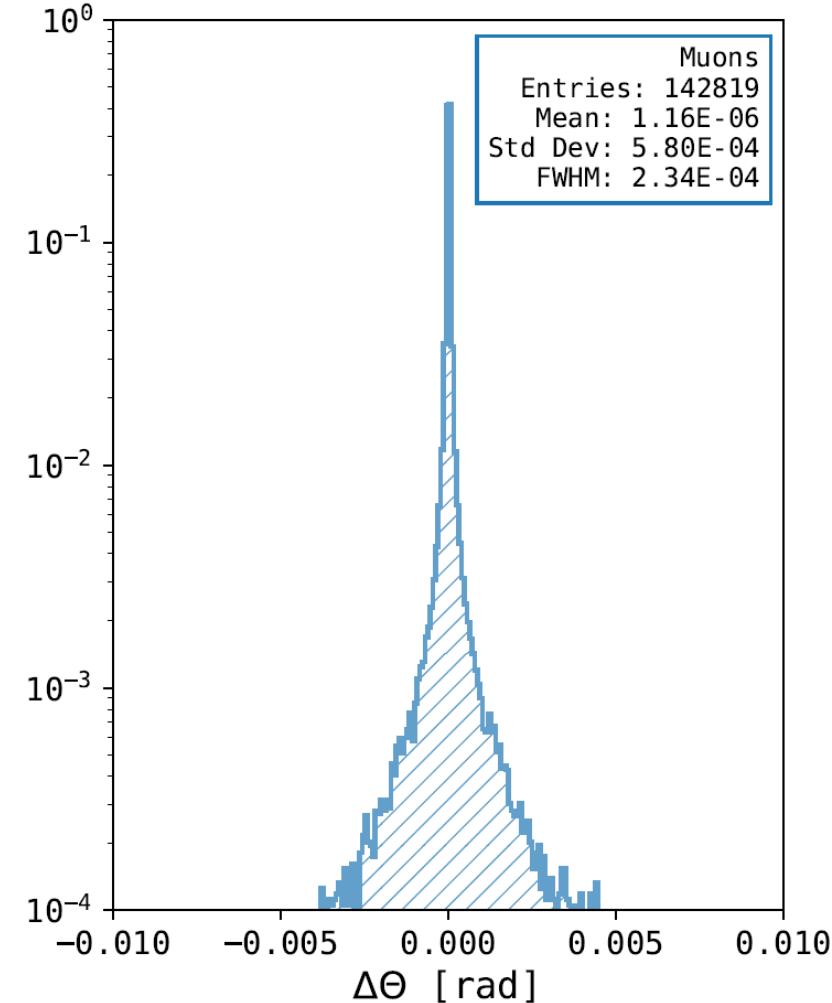
➤ assumptions:

- same acceptance A_i for $i = \text{ZHH}, \text{ZZH}$ hypotheses
- ignore efficiency $\epsilon_i(\mathbf{x})$
- TF factorizes: $W_i(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{j=\text{final state particles}} W_{ij}(\mathbf{y}_j|\mathbf{x}_j)$
- components of TF can be parameterized in differences
e.g. $W_{ij}(E^{reco}|E^{true}) = \hat{W}(\Delta E = E^{reco} - E^{true})$
- muon kinematics (energy + angles) perfectly measured
- narrow width approximation (NWA): Higgs boson width is small w.r.t. mass \leftrightarrow propagator delta peaked

➤ dimensionality of integral reduced from 18 to 11

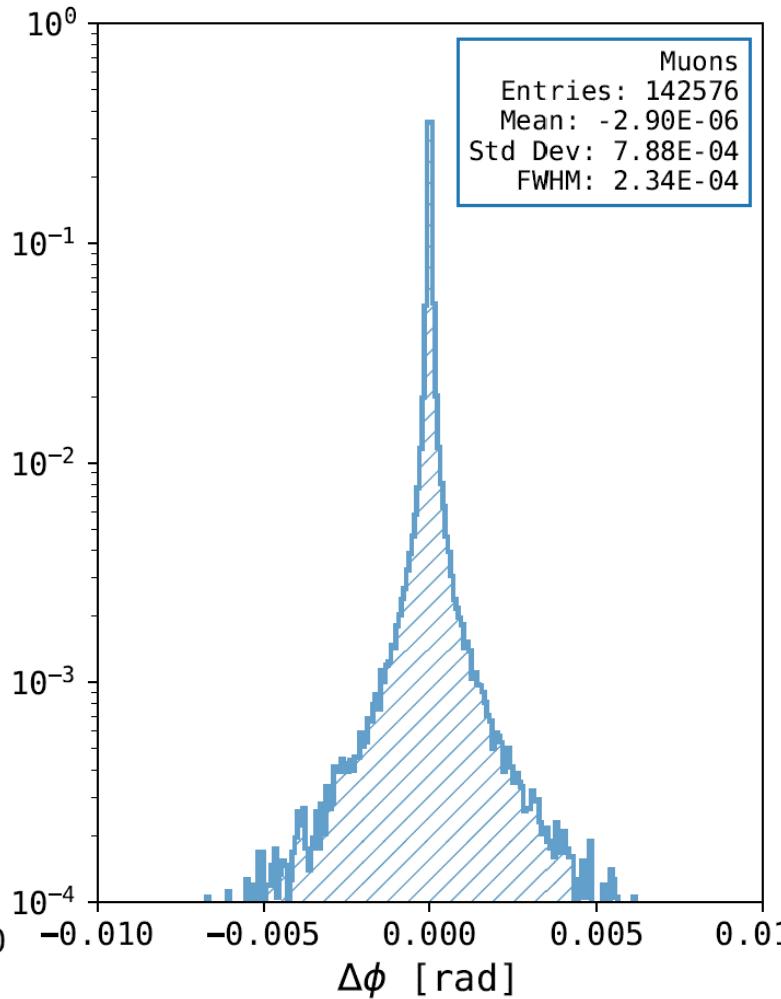
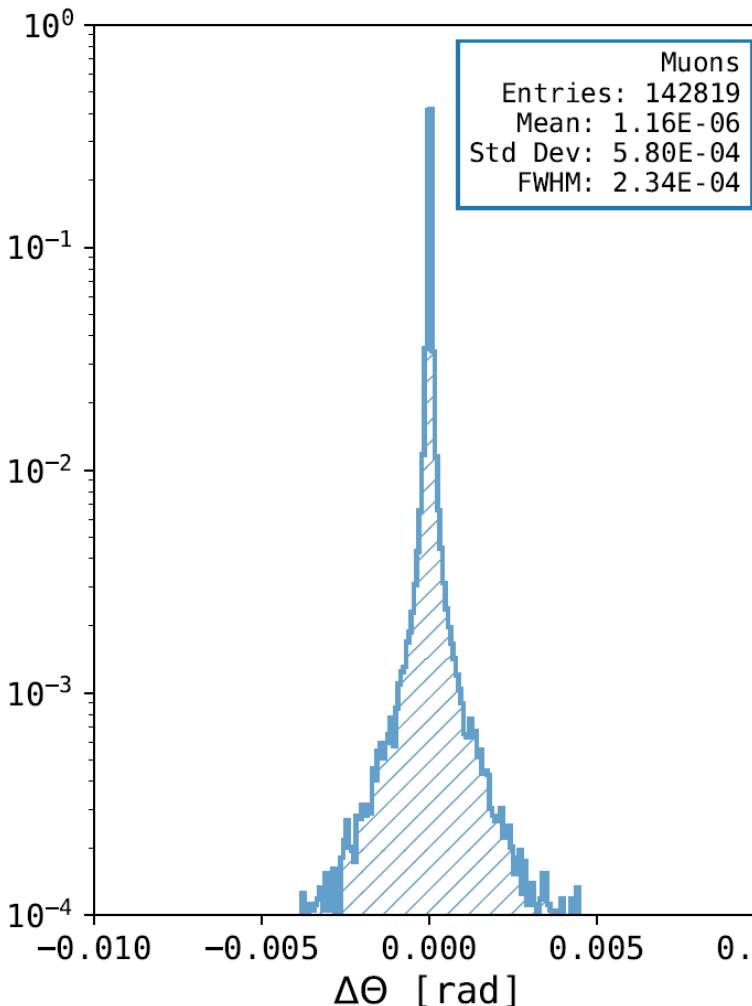
- further reduction to 7 by integrating out four momentum conserv.

Example TF : $W_{\mu^\pm,(\theta,\phi)} = \theta_{\mu^\pm}^{Reco} - \theta_{\mu^\pm}^{True}$

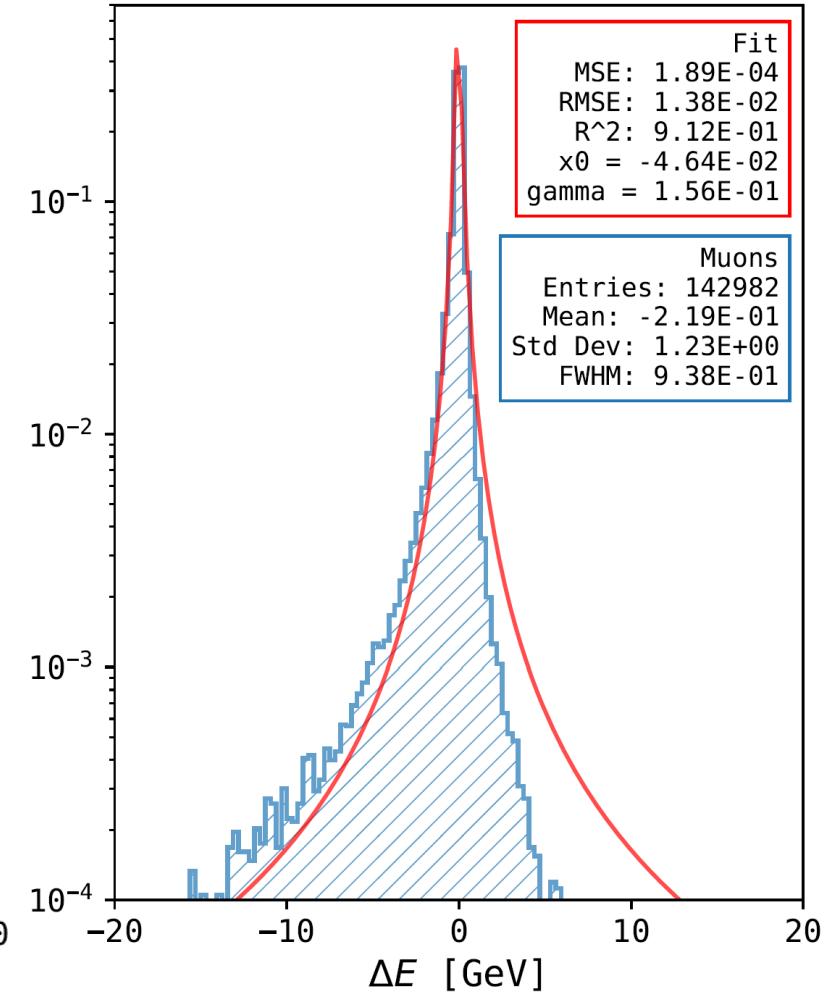


MEM Transfer Functions – Muons

$$\text{Angles } W_{\mu^\pm,(\theta,\phi)} = (\theta, \phi)_{\mu^\pm}^{Reco} - (\theta, \phi)_{\mu^\pm}^{True}$$

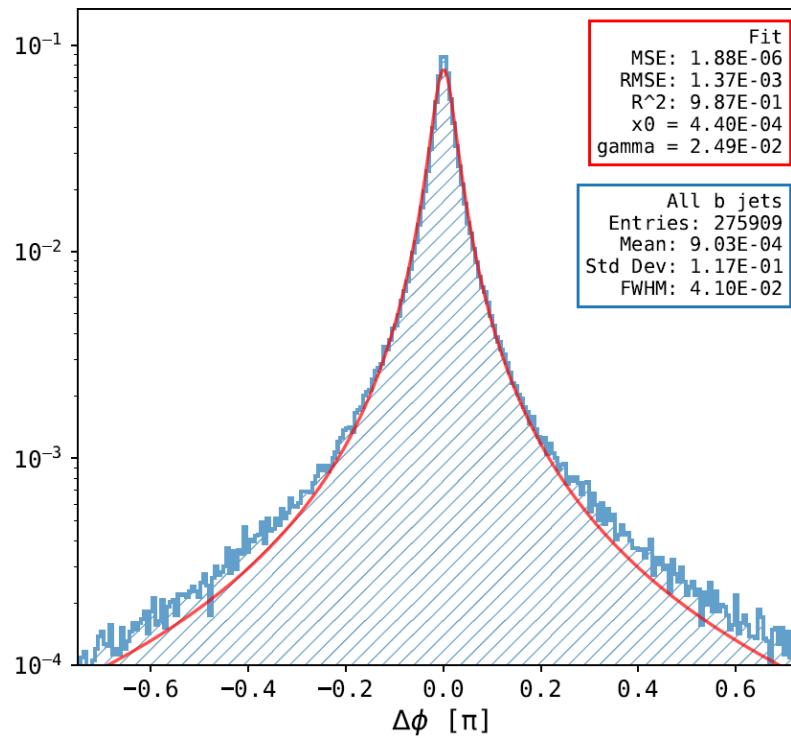
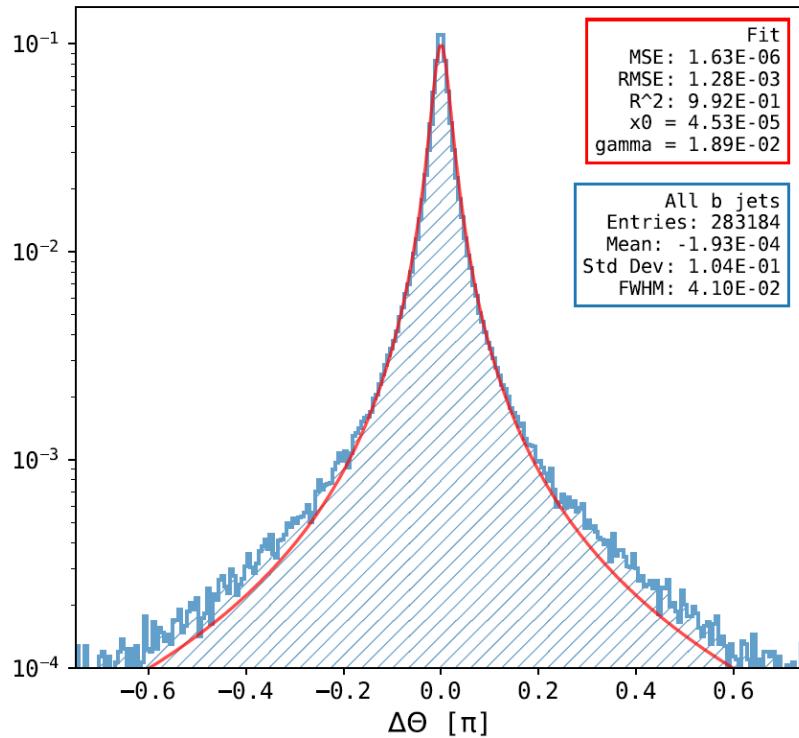


$$\text{Energy: } W_{\mu^\pm, E} = E_{\mu^\pm}^{Reco} - E_{\mu^\pm}^{True}$$

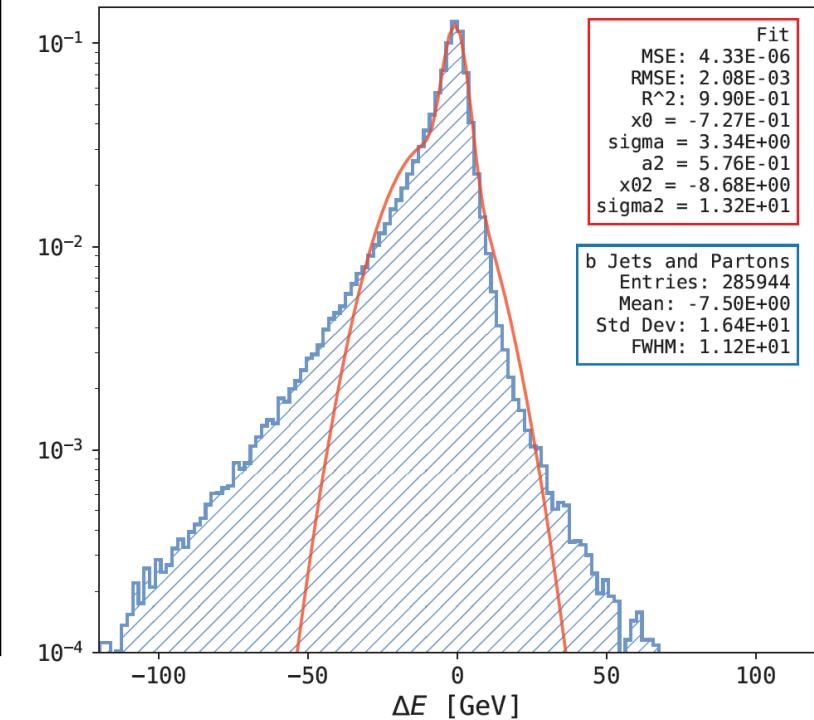


MEM Transfer Functions – Jets/b and \bar{b} quarks

$$\text{Angles } W_{b,(\theta,\phi)} = (\theta, \phi)_b^{Reco} - (\theta, \phi)_b^{True}$$



$$\text{Energy: } W_{b,E} = E_b^{Reco} - E_b^{True}$$

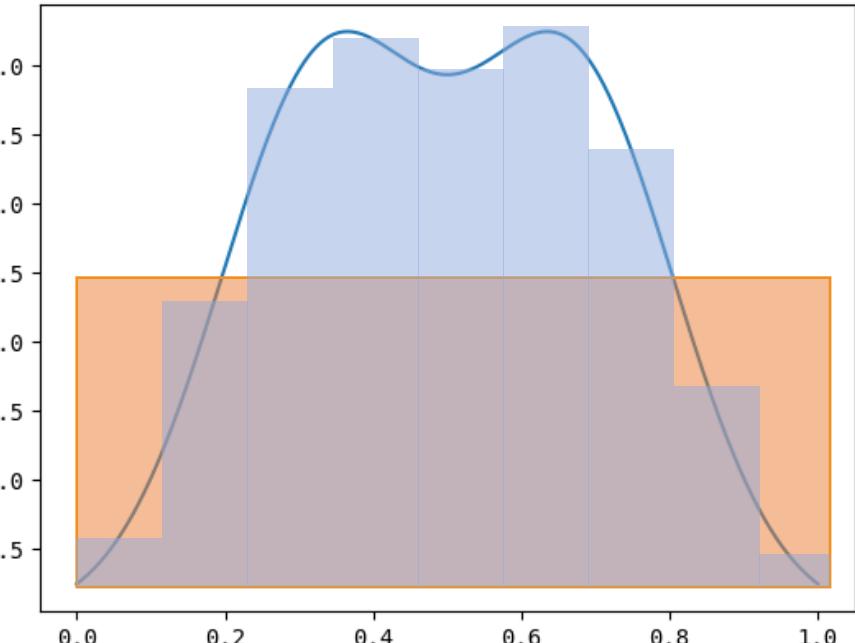


Solving the MEM integral

- problem: the chosen phase space parametrization is 7-dim.: efficient evaluation?
- solution: Monte Carlo (MC) integration

$$E_{p(x)}[I(f)] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i^n f(x_i); \quad x \sim p(X)$$
$$\sigma = \frac{\sqrt{E[(f - E[f])^2]}}{\sqrt{n}}$$

- crude MC: uniform sampling; in every dim: $p(x) = \frac{1}{a-b}$
- importance sampling: sample from proposal $x \sim q(x)$
 - need to find proposal dist. $q(x)$ that fits integrand without knowing integral
 - the “better” q , the faster the variance decreases
 - many approaches: e.g. VEGAS algorithm, neural importance sampling (NIS)



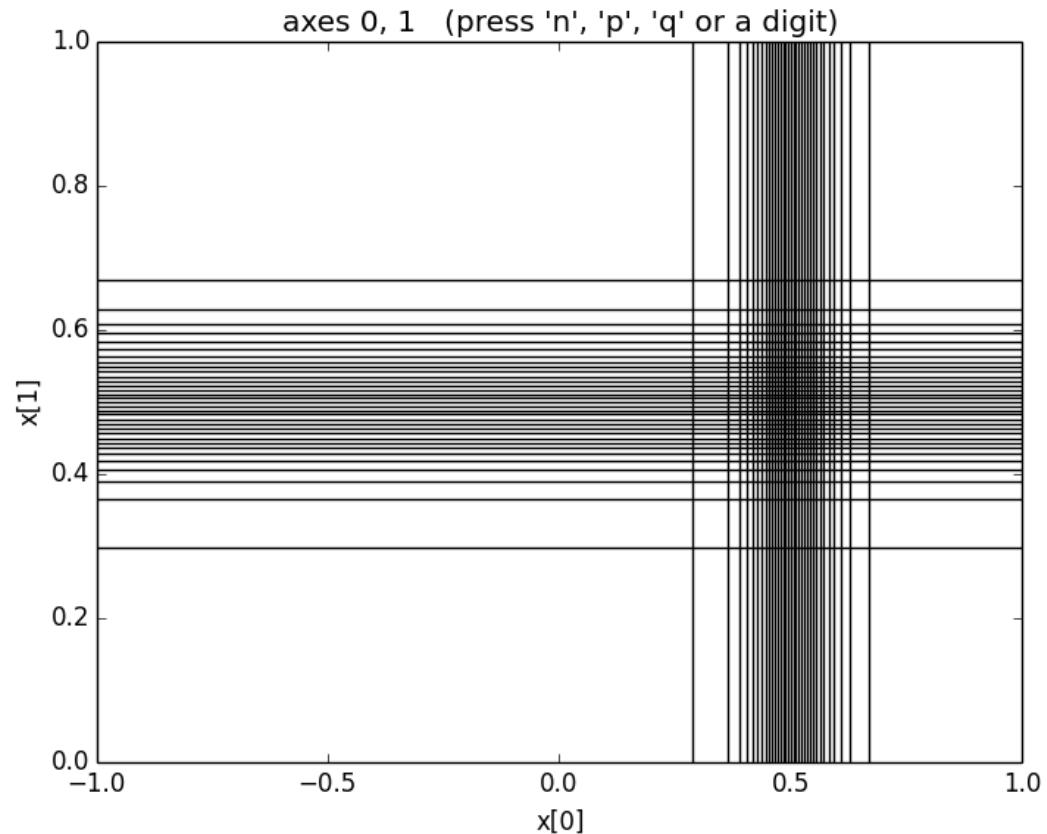
VEGAS Importance Sampling MC

- assume the integrand factorizes

$$f(x) = \prod_i^n f_i(x_i)$$

- divide each dimension into n bins with equal probability
- adjust the **bin widths** to sample more often in the more important regions

Example of a VEGAS grid after adaption



Source

Neural Importance Sampling MC

➤ principle

- from a known base distribution $u \sim \pi(u)$
- use ML to learn a **bijective and differentiable function** g to transform u to a more complex distribution

$$x = g(u)$$

➤ PDF of x given by change of variables formula

$$p(x) = \pi(g^{-1}(x)) \left| \det \left(\frac{\partial g^{-1}}{\partial x} \right) \right|$$

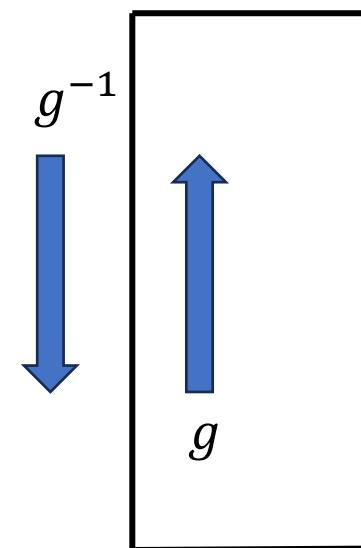
➤ here: transformation using piecewise rational quadratic spline

[arXiv:1410.8516] : NICE: Non-linear Independent Components Estimation

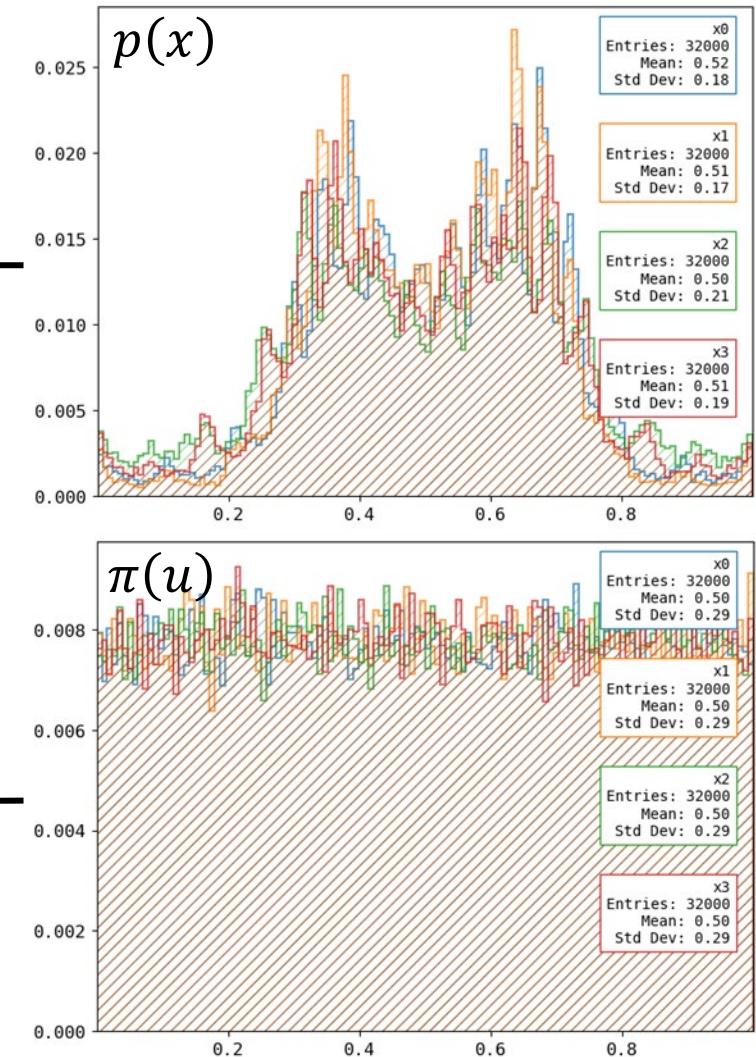
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[arXiv:1906.04032] : Neural Spline Flows

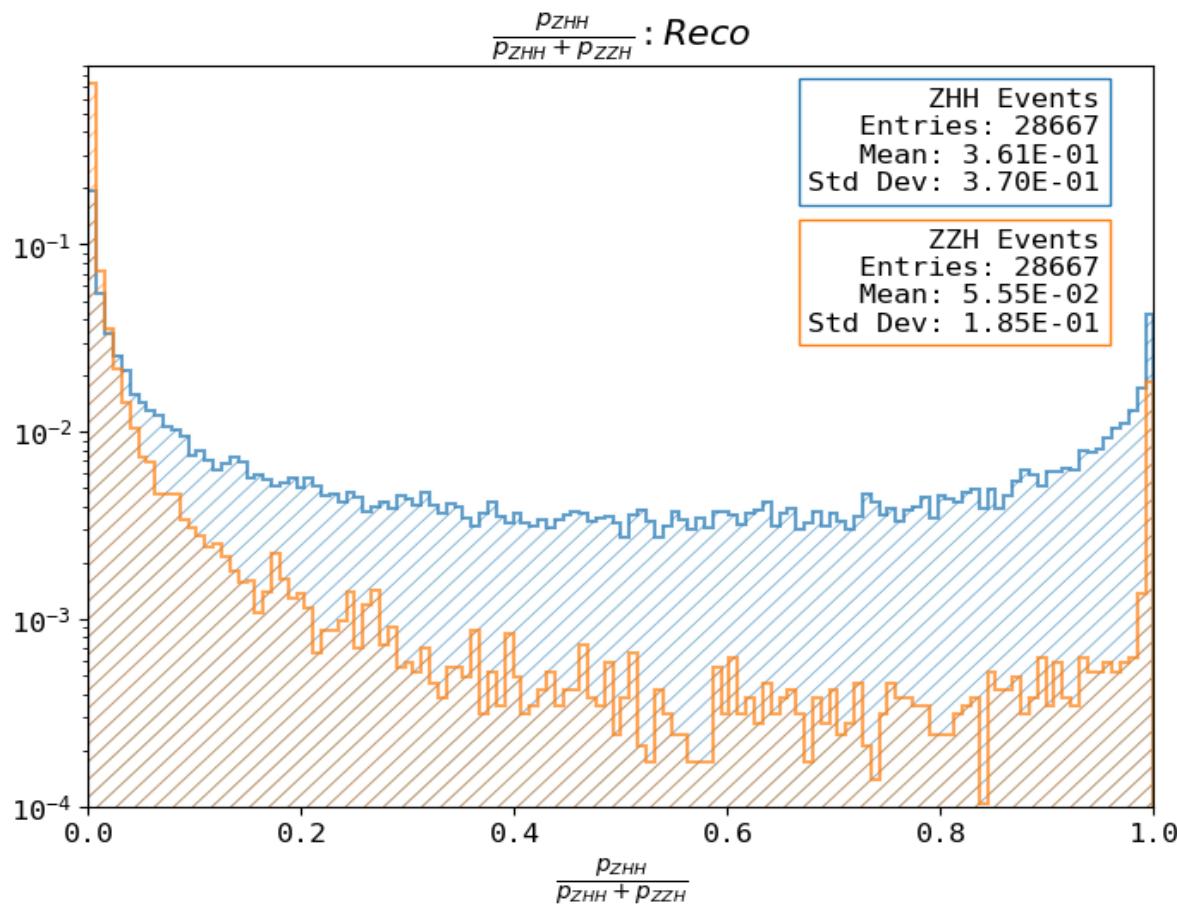
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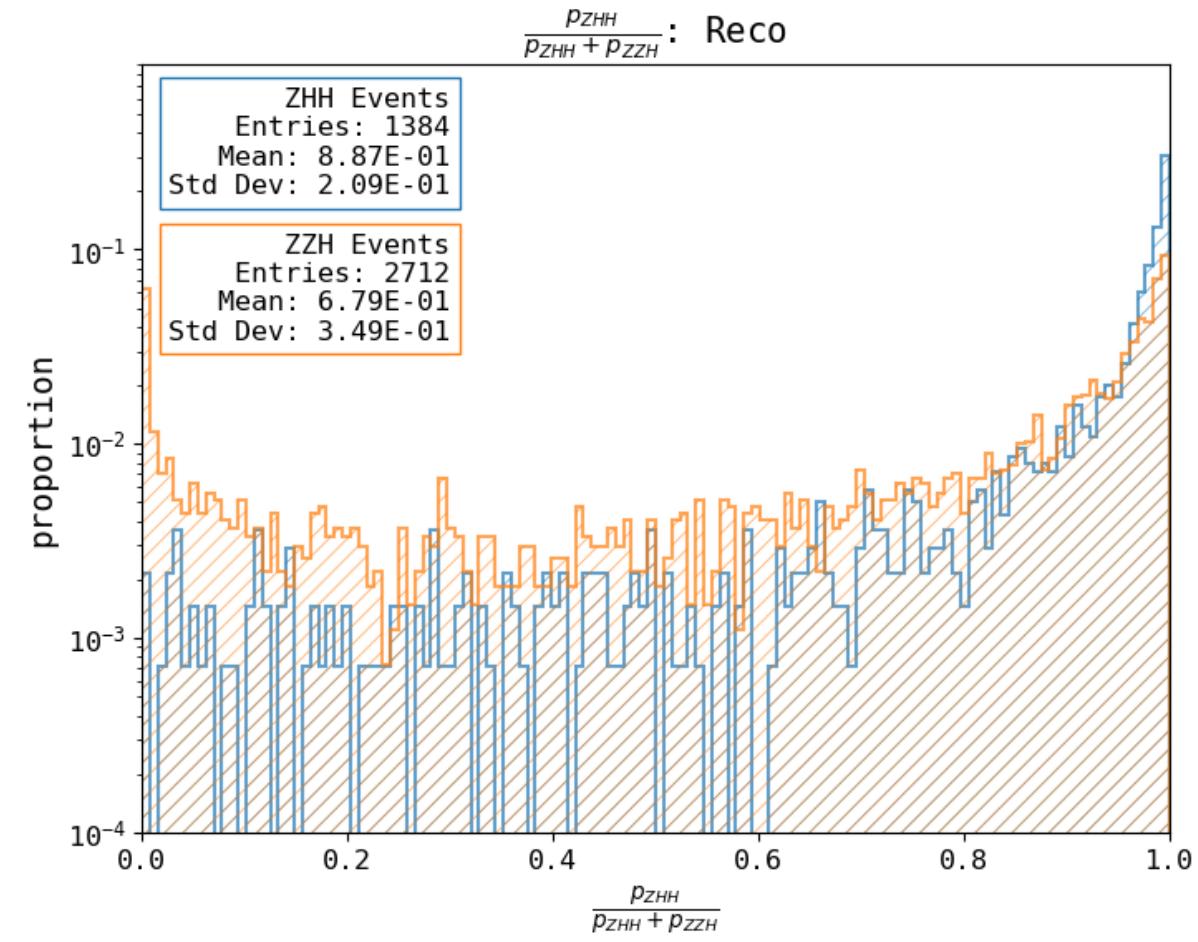
Before/after the flow: Example marginal distribution



Generator level: cross-x normalized ME only



VEGAS full MEM



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