# Representation Learning of Collider Events

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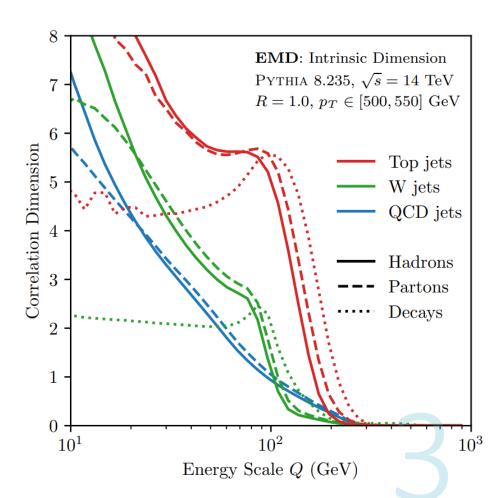
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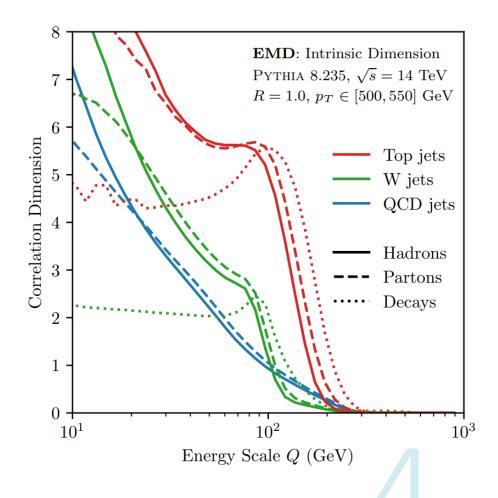
#### The Metric Space of Collider Events

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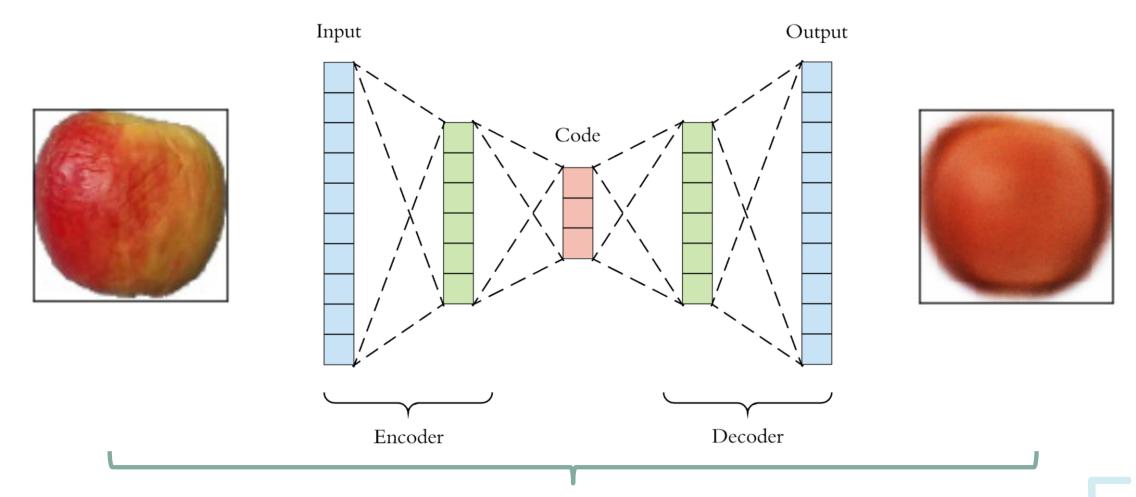


# Conclusions

- I have been training Variational Autoencoders to reconstruct jets or collider events using Earth Movers Distance as the reconstruction metric.
- The learnt representation:
  - 1. Is scale dependent
  - 2. Is orthogonalized
  - 3. Is hierarchically organized by scale
  - 4. Has fractal dimension which relates to that of the data manifold
- This is because:
  - 1. The VAE is trained to be parsimonious with information
  - 2. The metric space is physically meaningful and structured

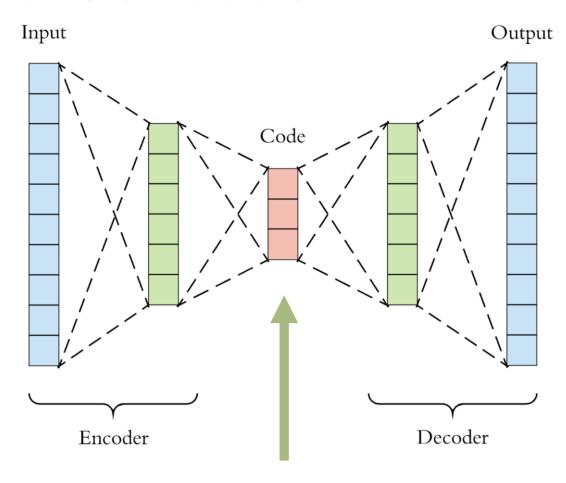


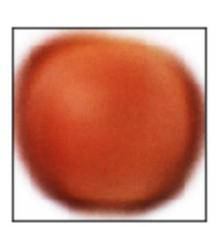
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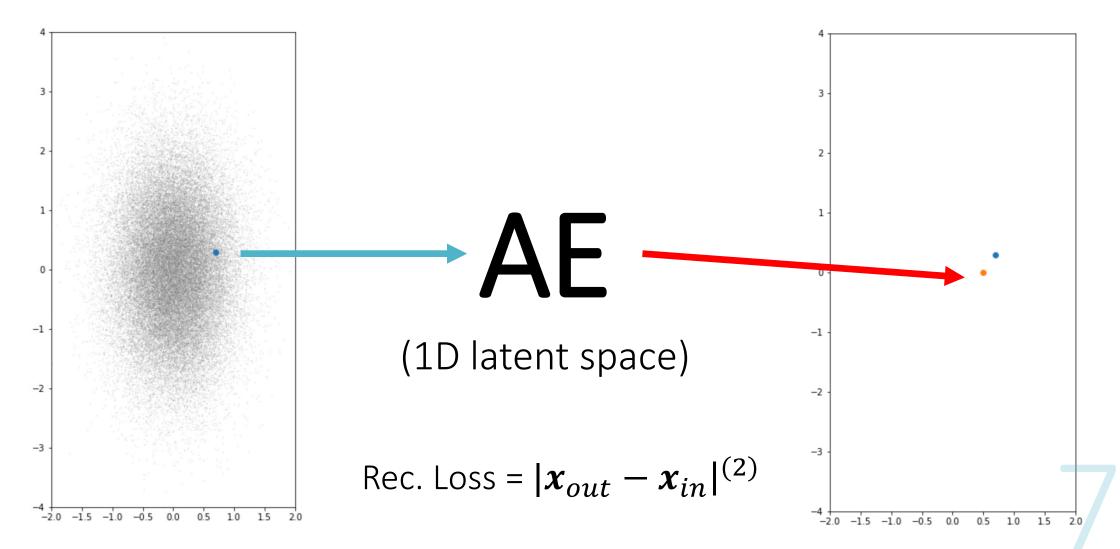




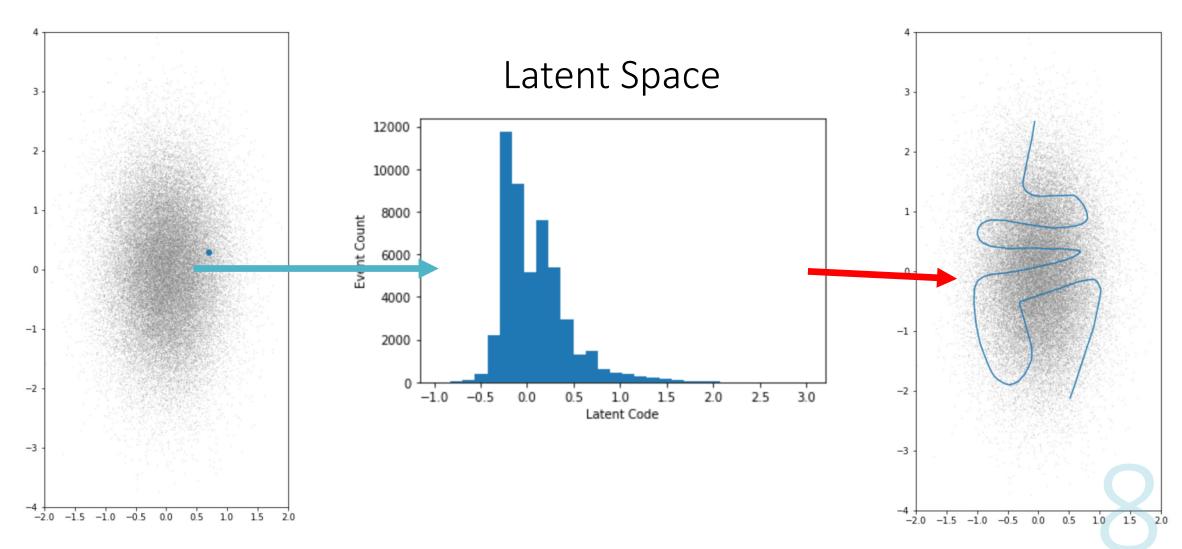


Latent space =?= Learnt representation

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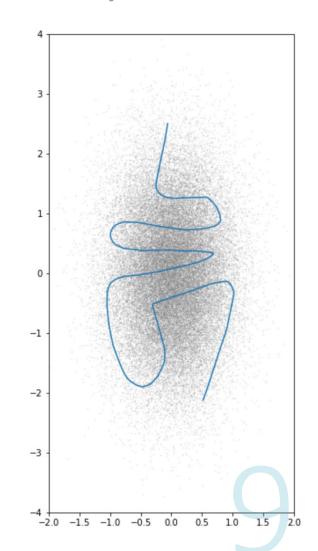


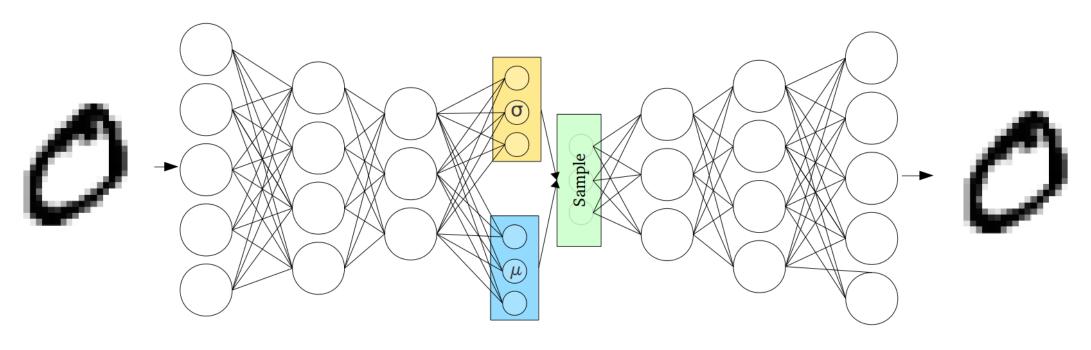
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- 1. The AE learns some dense packing of the data space
- 2. The latent representation is highly coupled with the expressiveness of the network architecture of the encoder and decoder





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$$|\mathbf{x}_{out} - \mathbf{x}_{in}|^2 / \beta^2 - \sum_{i=2}^{1} (1 + \log \sigma_i^2 - \mu_i^2 - \sigma_i^2)$$

Reconstruction error

 $KL(q(z|x)||p(z)) \sim "Information cost"$ 

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### 1) $\beta$ is dimensionful!

The same dimension as the distance metric, e.g. GeV.

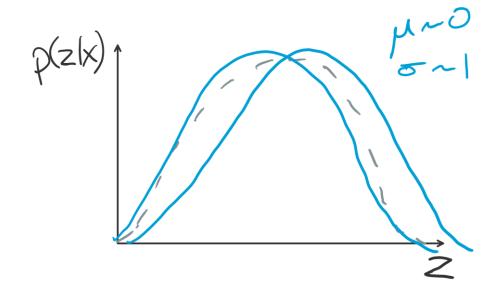
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### 2) $\beta$ is the cost for encoding information

The encoder will only encode information about the input to the extent that its usefulness for reconstruction is sufficient to justify the cost.

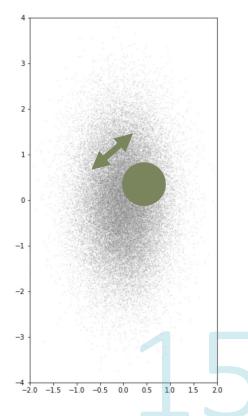
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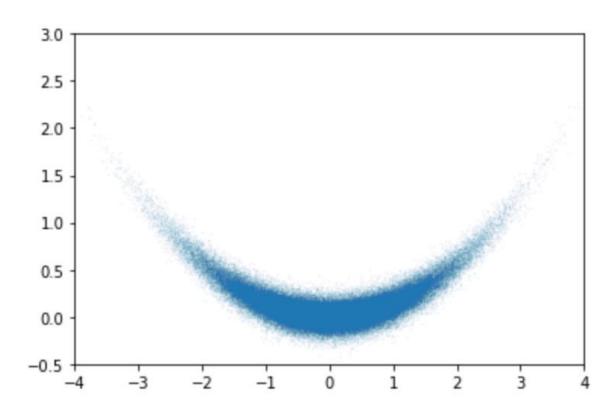
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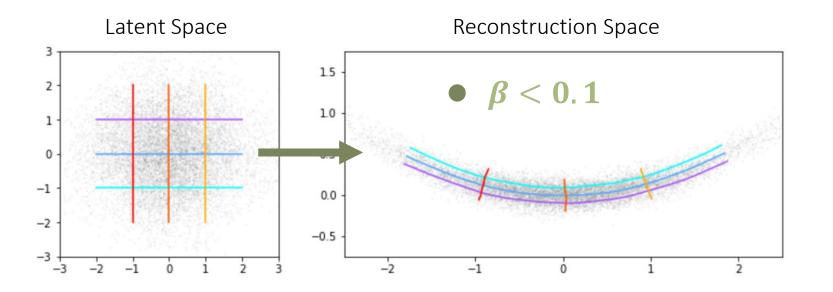
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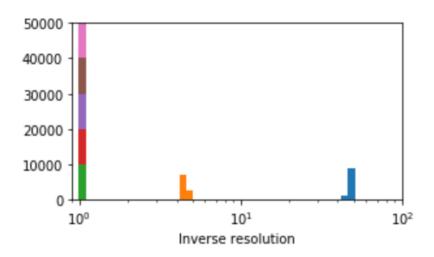
# 3) $\beta$ is the distance resolution in reconstruction space

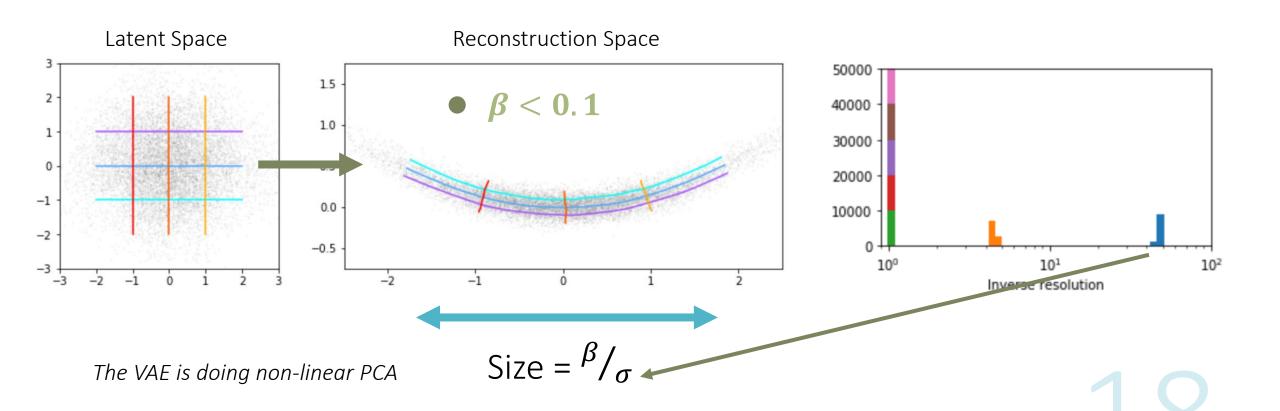
The stochasticity of the latent sampling will smear the reconstruction at scale  $\sim \beta$ 

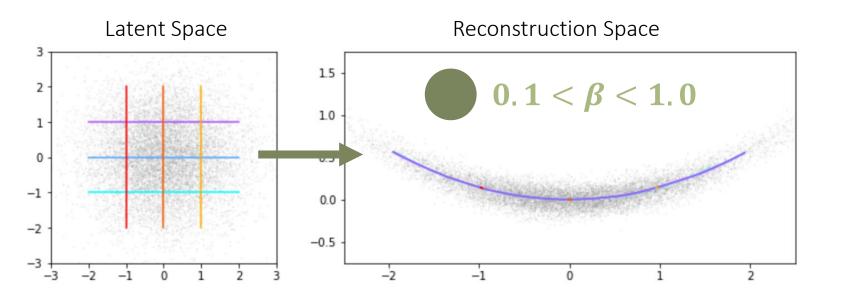


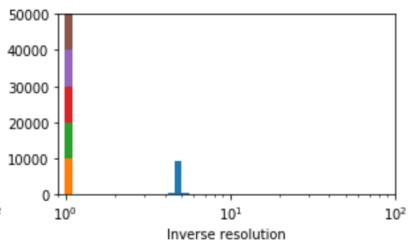


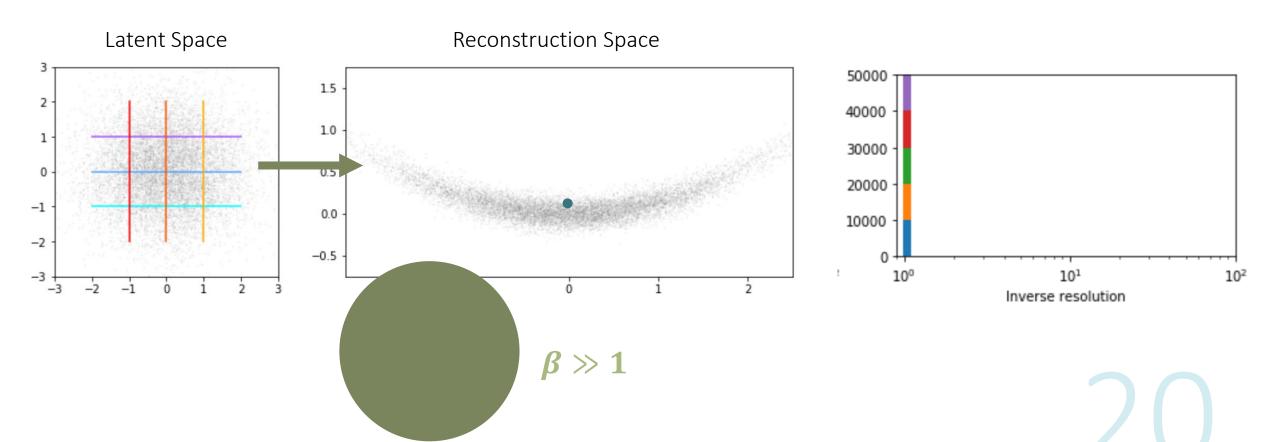












#### Dimensionality

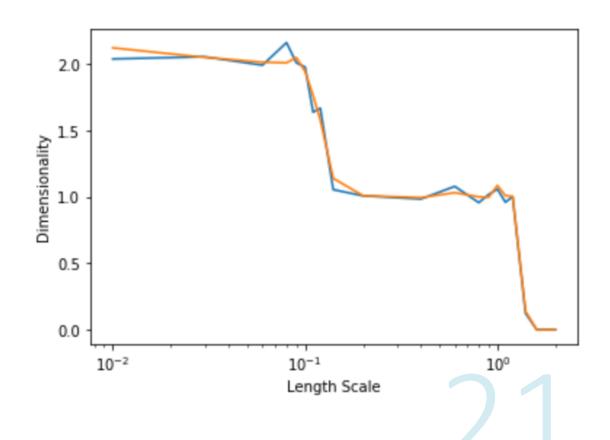
$$\langle |\Delta x|^2 \rangle = \sum \langle |\Delta x_i|^2 \rangle = D\rho^2 + \sum_{i>D} S_i^2$$

$$D = \frac{d\langle |\Delta x|^2 \rangle}{d\rho^2}$$

Setting  $\frac{dL}{d\sigma} = 0$  implies:

1. 
$$\rho = \beta$$

$$2. D = \frac{a \, KL}{d \log \beta}$$

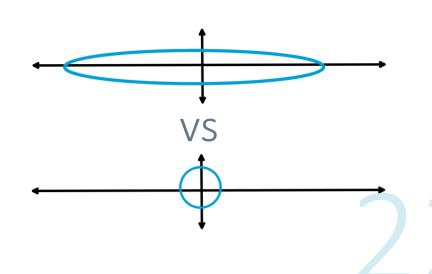


Orthogonalization and Organization is Information-Efficient

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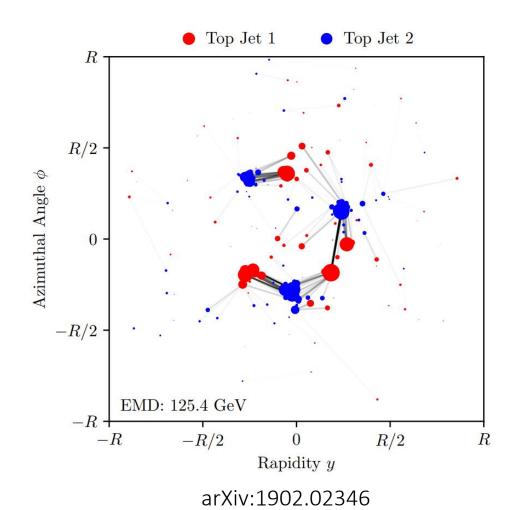
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Organization:



## Distance between Jets:

#### Optimal Transport



EMD ≈ Sinkhorn Distance

I wish I had an extra 15 minutes to talk about this. Critical papers (for me):

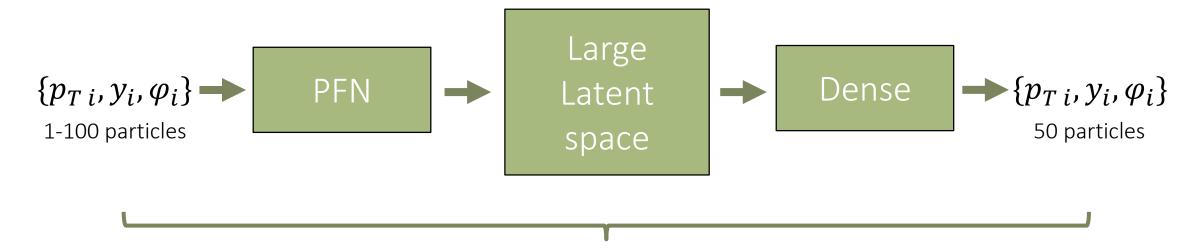
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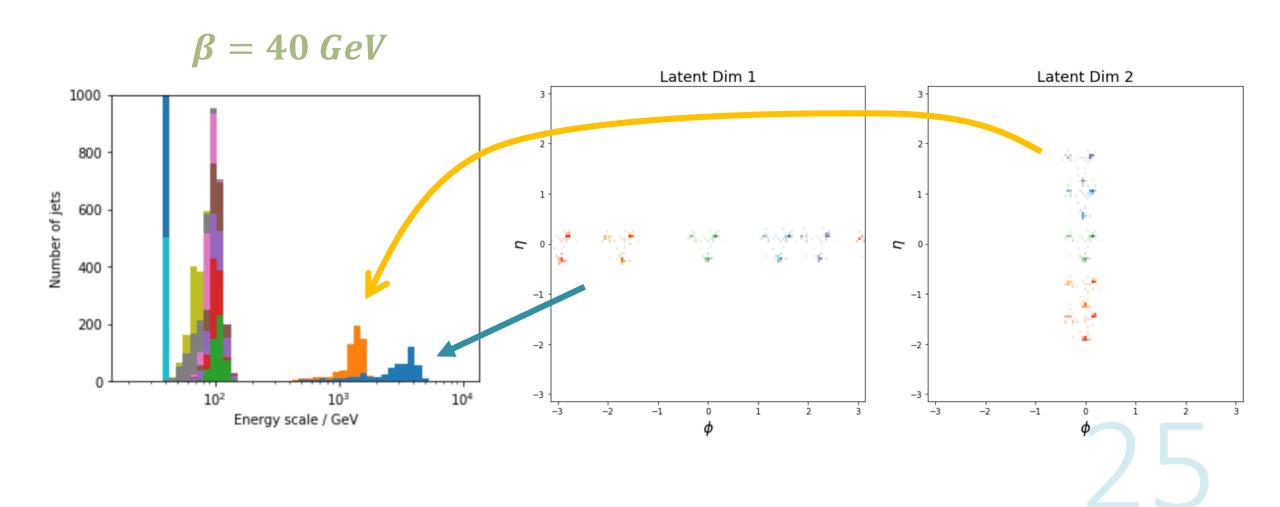
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# Jet VAE



Sinkhorn distance ≈ EMD

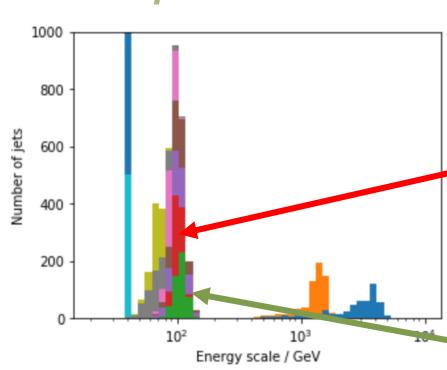
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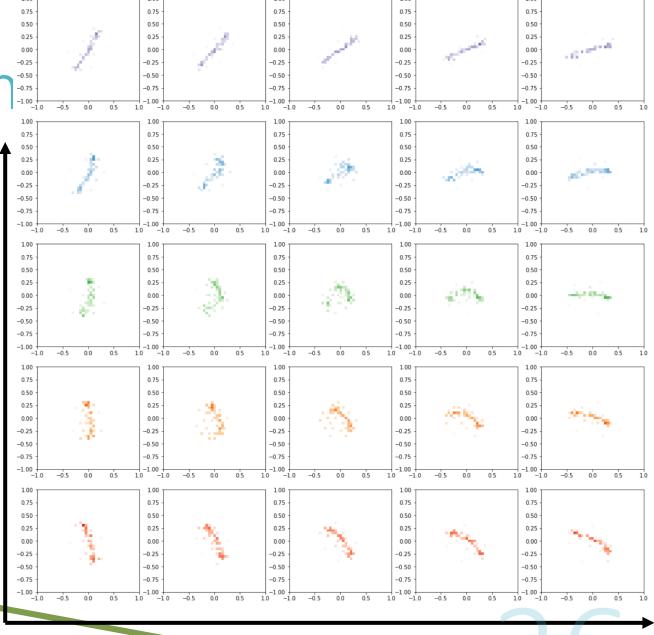


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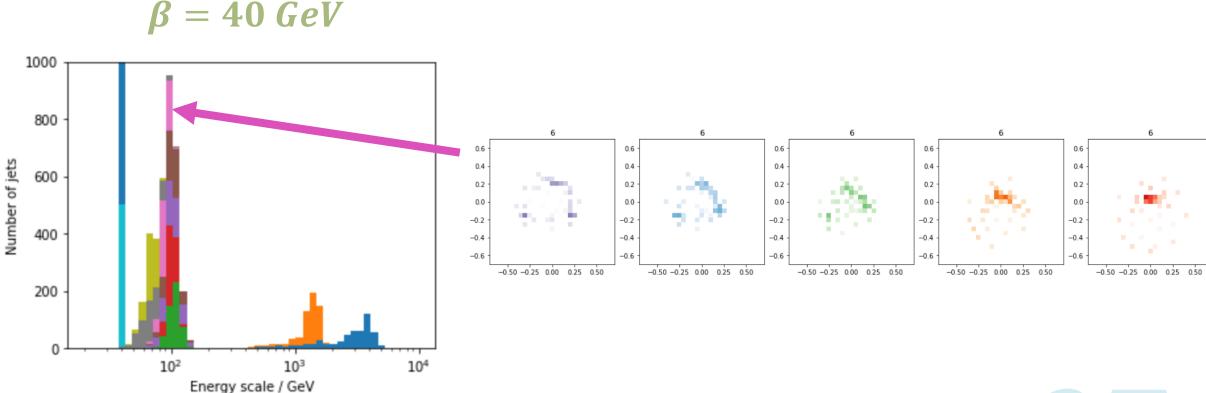
Latent Dimension

$$\beta = 40 \; GeV$$



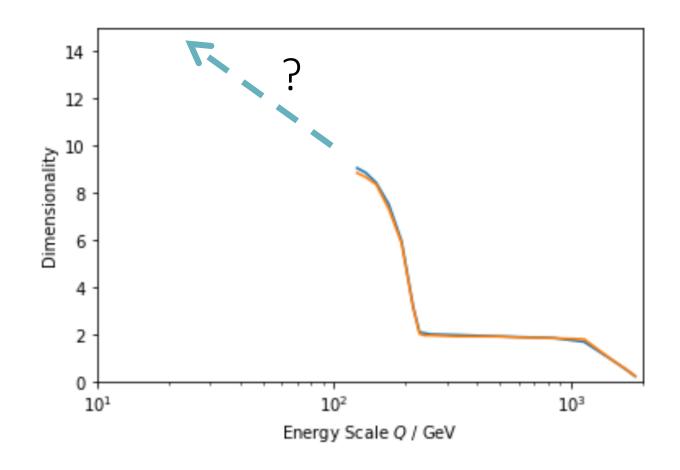


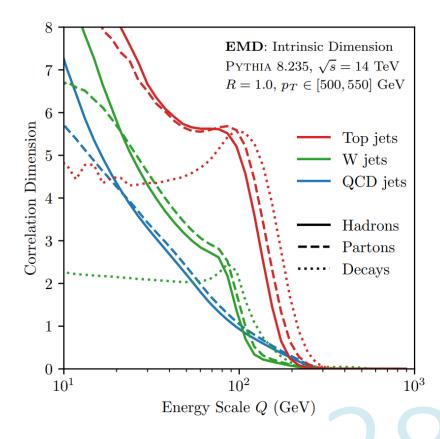
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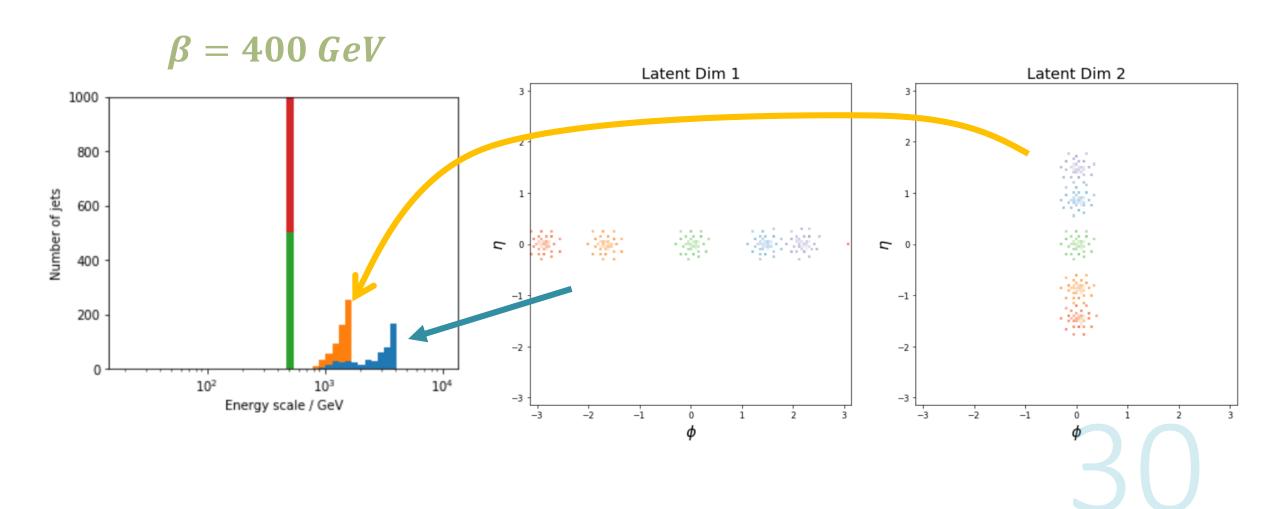
### **Future Directions**

1. What is the point?

2. Alternative latent priors?

3. Alternative metrics?

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#### ML Engineer:

"A VAE is a fancy AE with regulated stochastic latent space sampling"

#### Bayesian statistician:

"A VAE is a probability model trained to extremize the **E**vidence **L**ower **BO**und on the posterior distribution p(x)"

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