

# AI-safety for jet flavour tagging at the CMS experiment

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# Outline

1. Introduction to AI safety (general / jet flavour tagging)
2. Adversarial attacks and how they influence the model performance
  1. Adding Gaussian noise
  2. Applying the Fast Gradient Sign Method (FGSM)

# Introduction to AI safety

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# AI safety: example for image classification

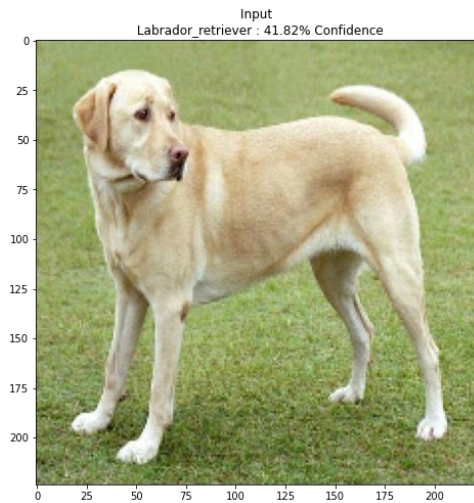


Fig. 1

Classifier: **labrador** (breed of dog)

$+$   $\epsilon \times$

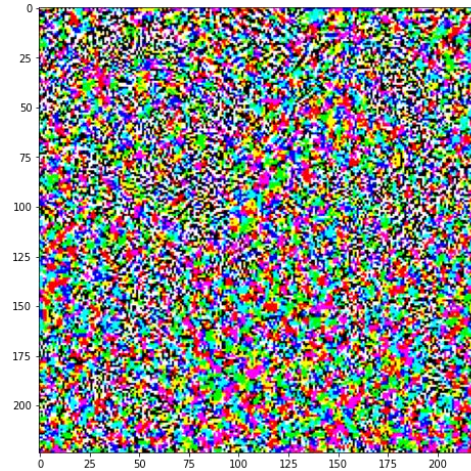


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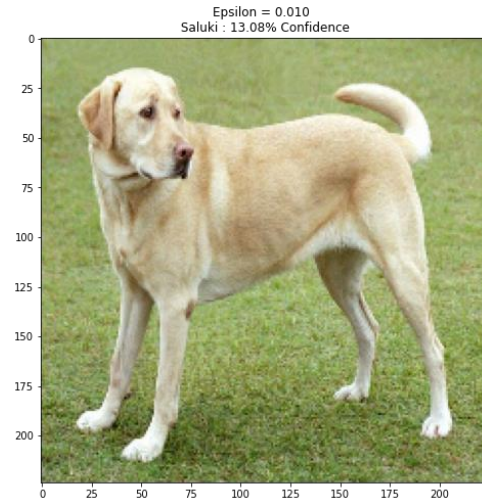


Fig. 3

Classifier: **saluki** (breed of dog)  
*german: „Windhund“*

- Generate adversarial samples with perturbations that are not too easy to identify
- Check their influence on the model performance



# Application: jet heavy-flavour tagging at CMS

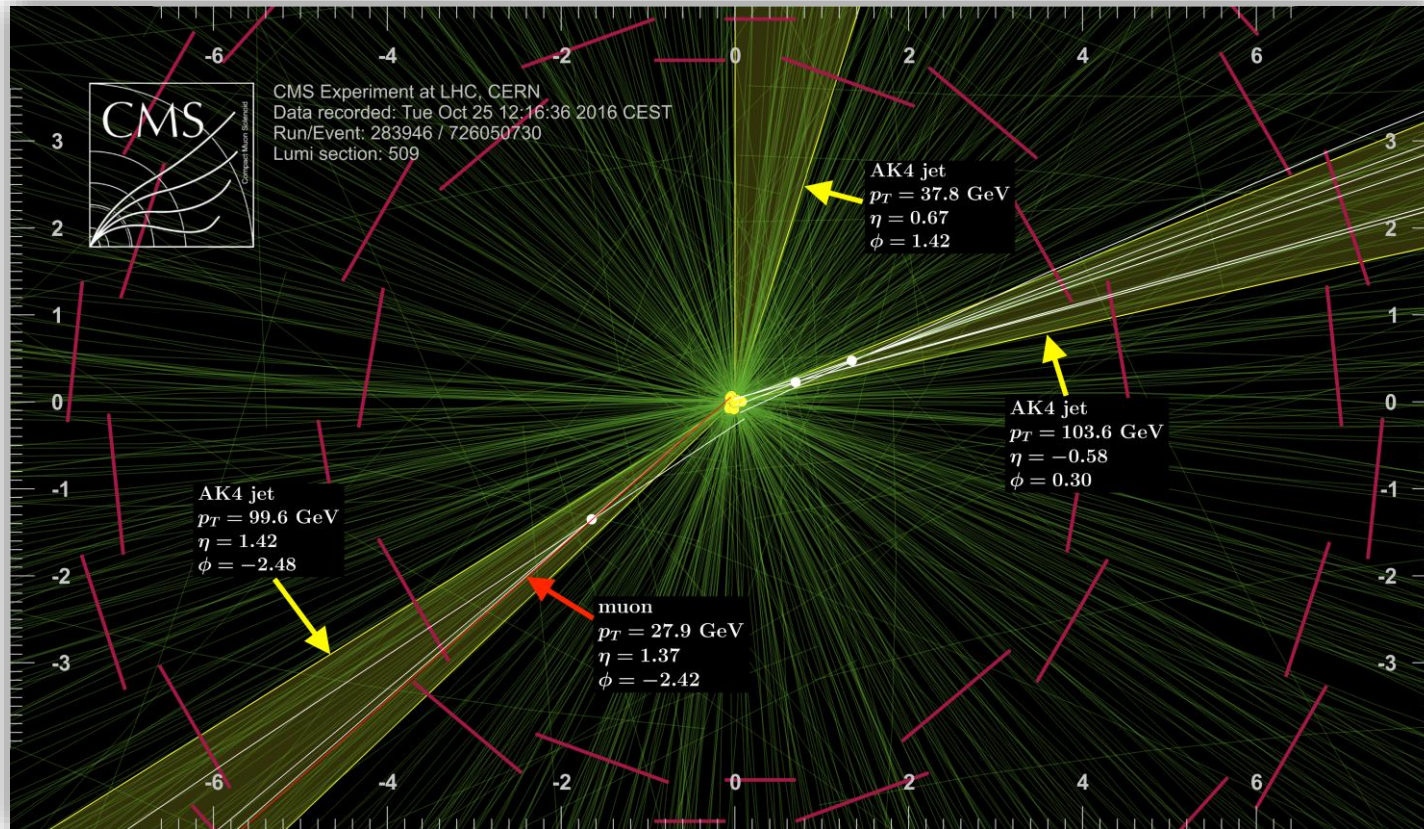


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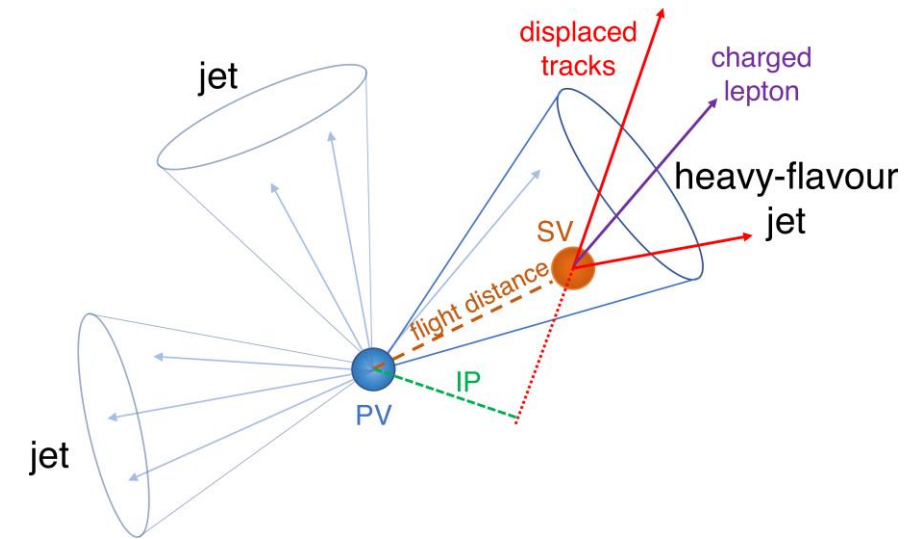


Fig. 5

# AI safety: jet heavy-flavour tagging

Jet,  
Track,  
Secondary Vertex  
properties of a b-jet

Classifier: **b-jet**

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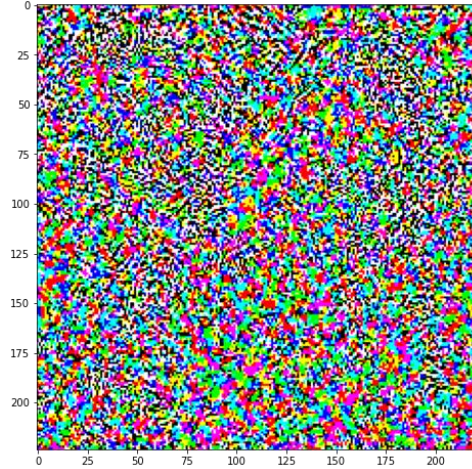


Fig. 6



*Slightly distorted*  
Jet,  
Track,  
Secondary Vertex  
properties of a b-jet

Classifier: **light-jet**

If one pixel alone can fool neural networks [3] for image classification...

...could subtle mismodelings in our simulations cause wrong results in physics analysis?

[4,5]

# Inputs

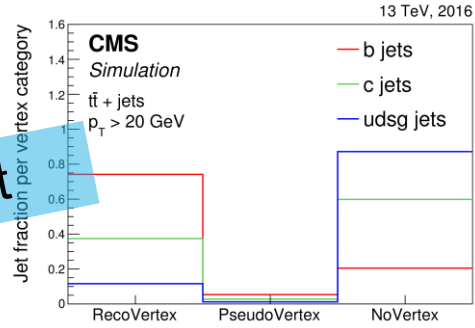


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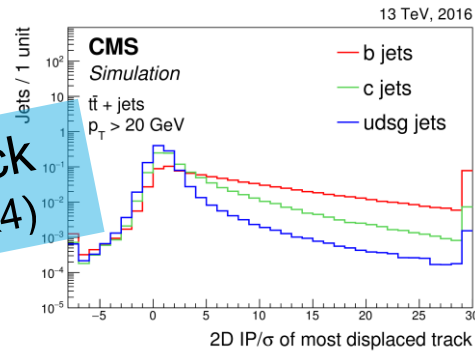


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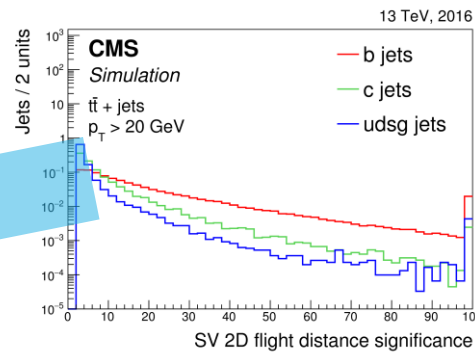


Fig. 9

Deep Neural Network  
(DNN)

# Outputs

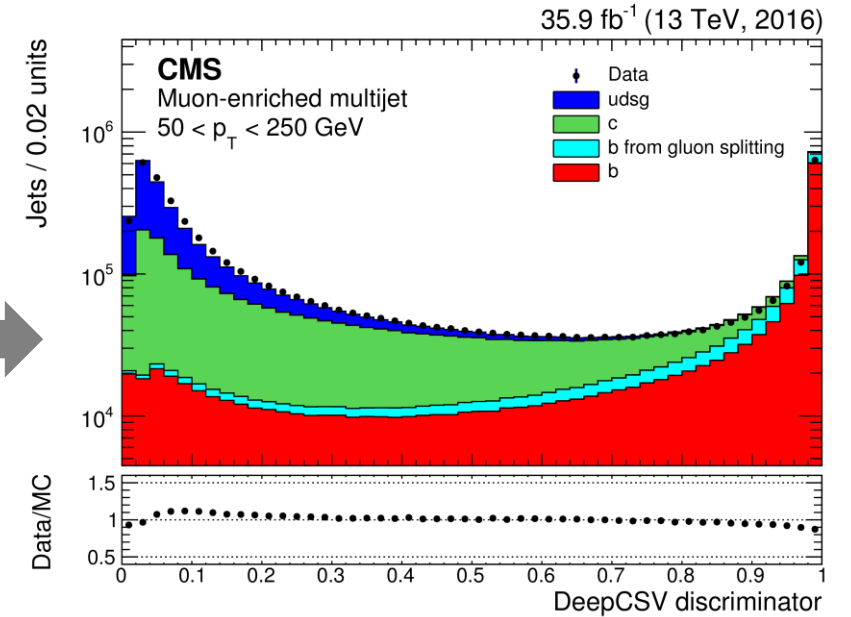
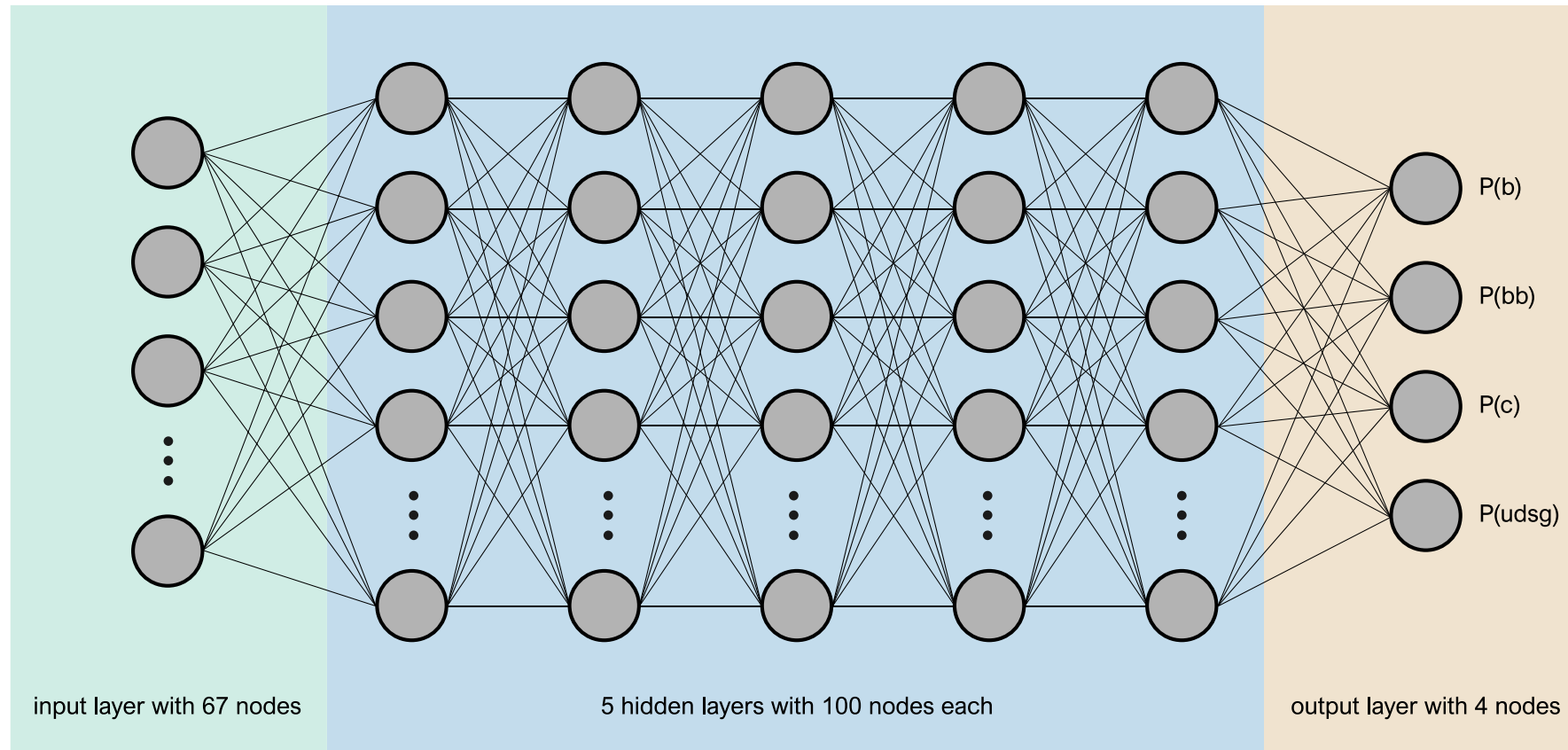


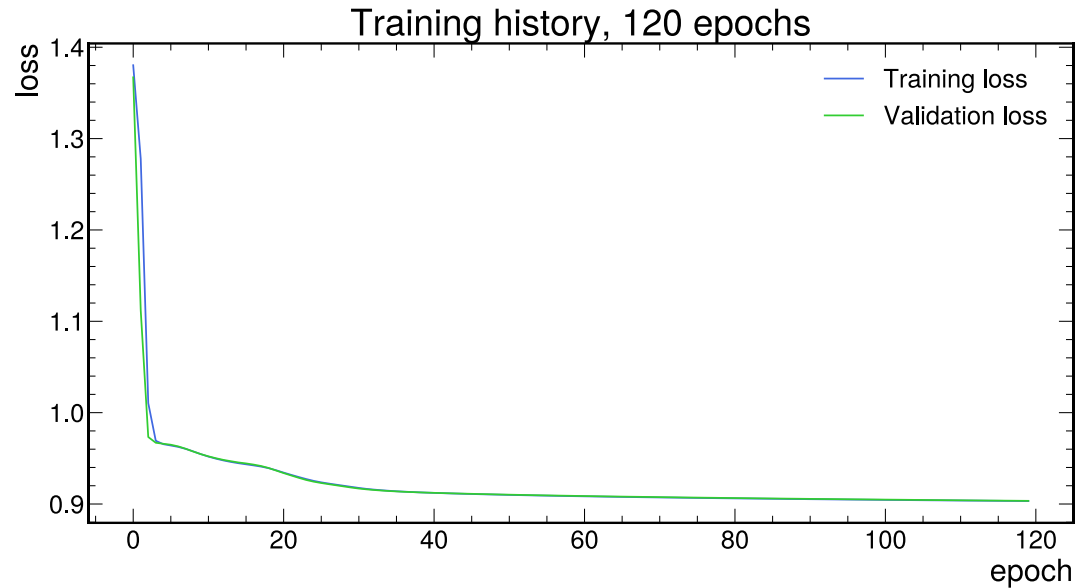
Fig. 10

# Model architecture

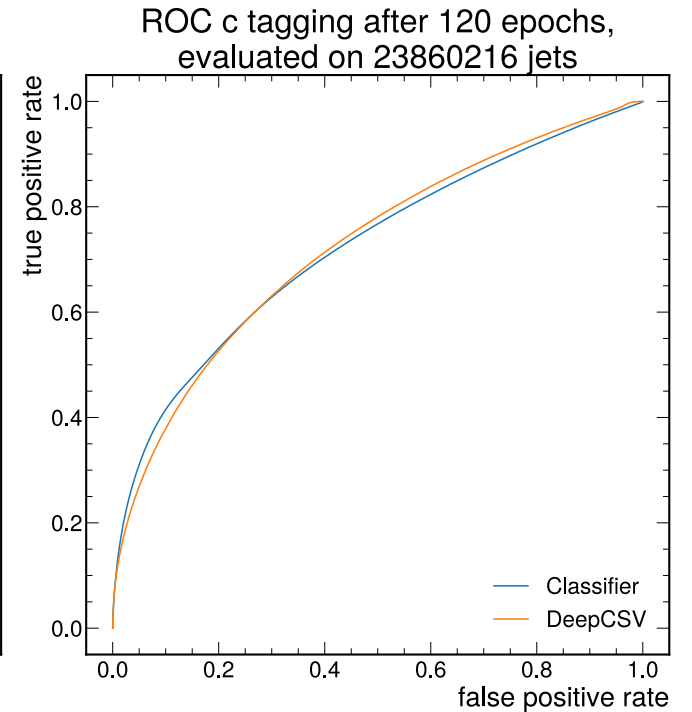
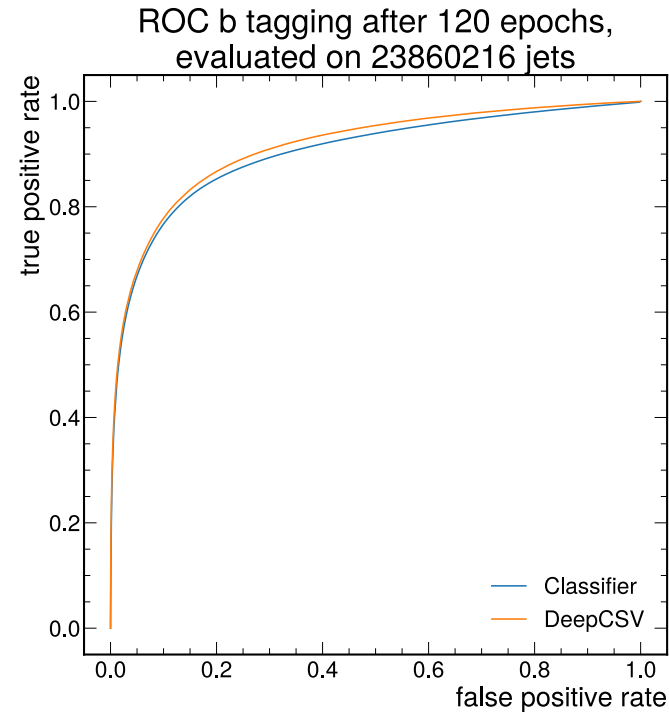




# Testing the model performance



Training and validation loss



Receiver-Operating-Characteristic (ROC) curves

& Area under the ROC curve (AUC)

# Adversarial attacks

Gaussian noise

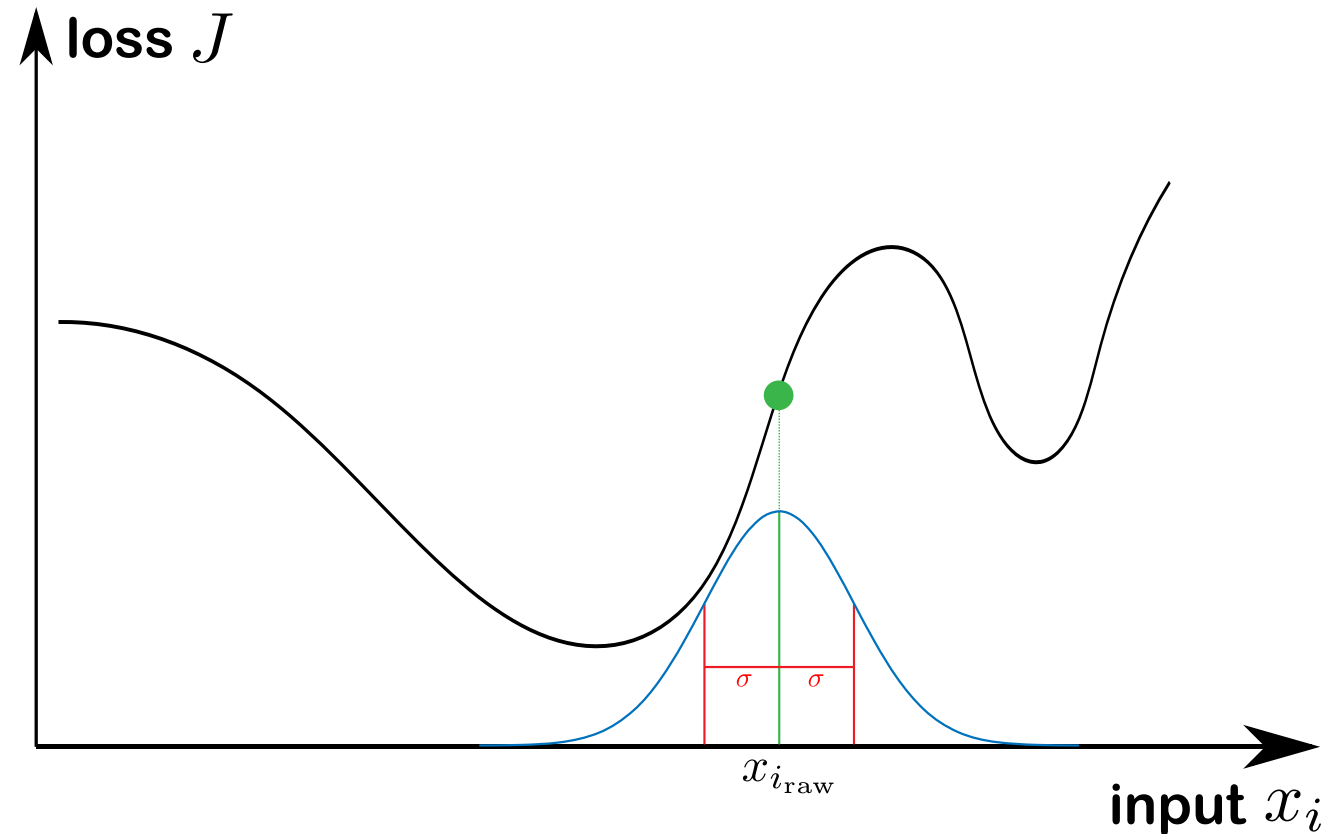
# Gaussian noise

Adversarial samples  $x_{noise}$  are generated by adding a noise term  $\xi$ :

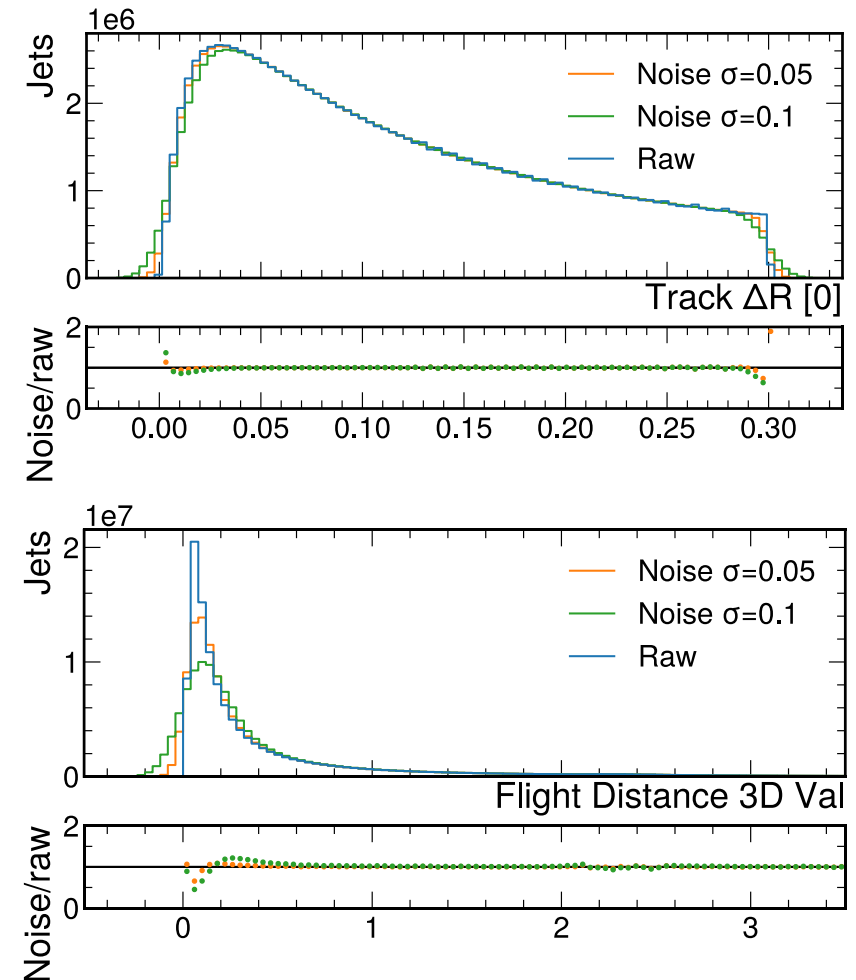
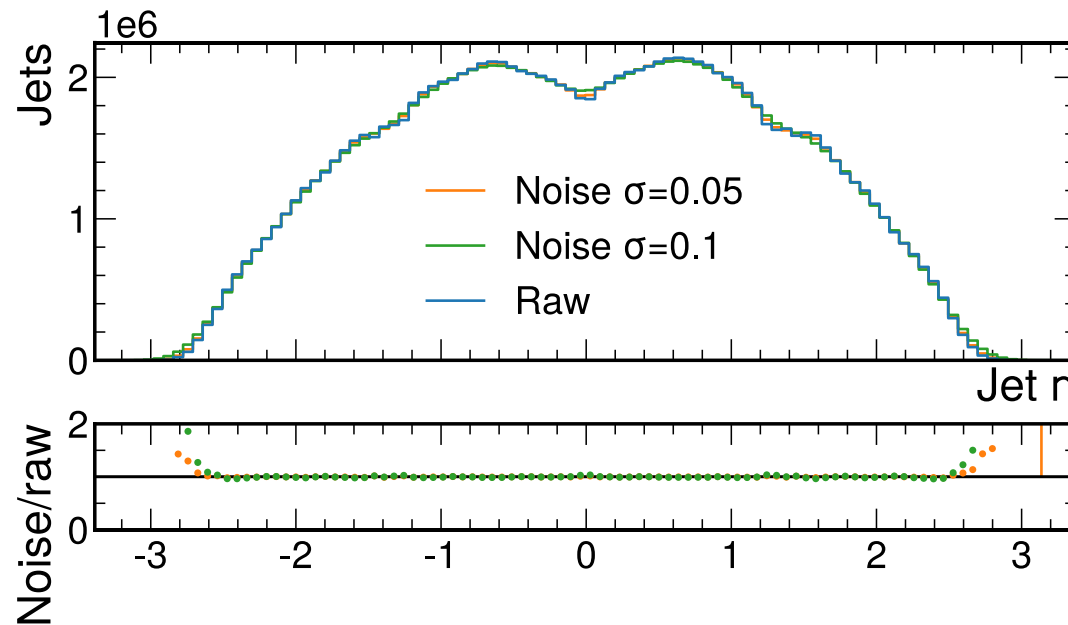
$$x_{noise} = x_{raw} + \xi$$

$\xi$  follows a gaussian distribution centred at  $\mu = 0$ , the standard deviation  $\sigma$  will be varied

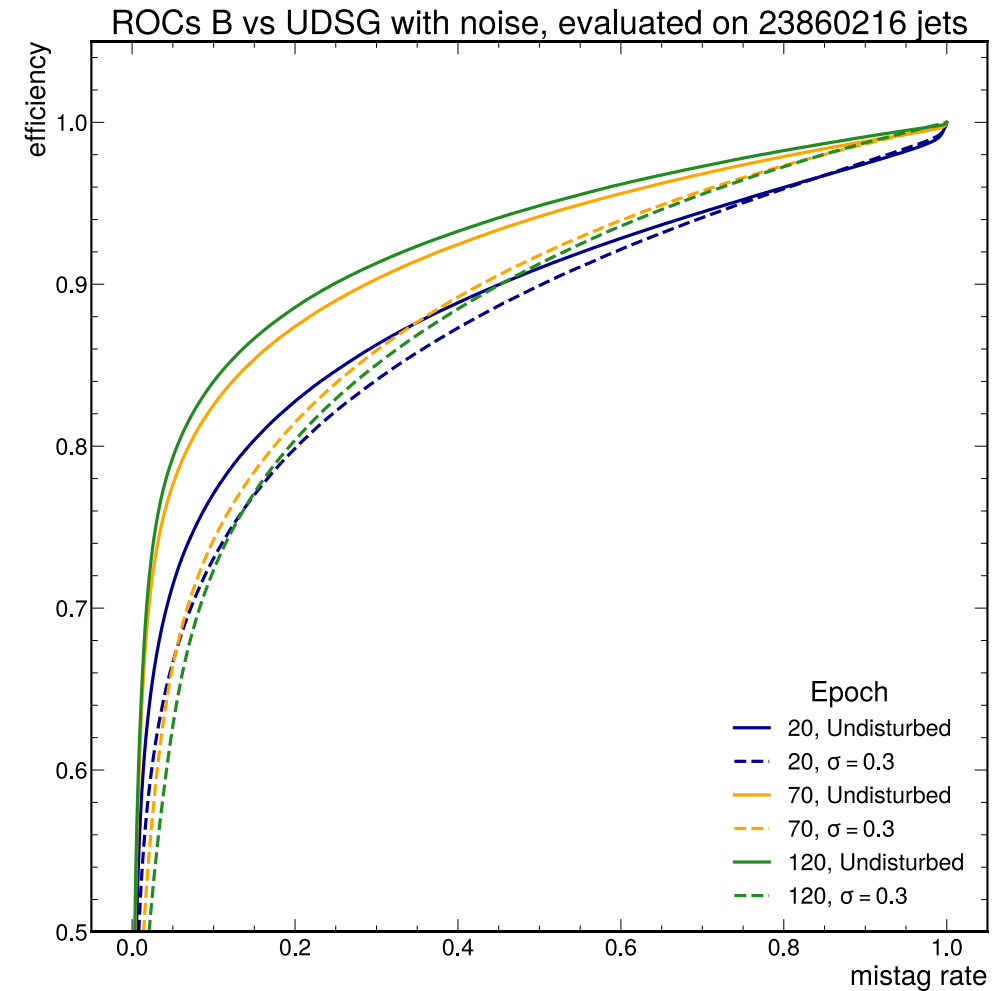
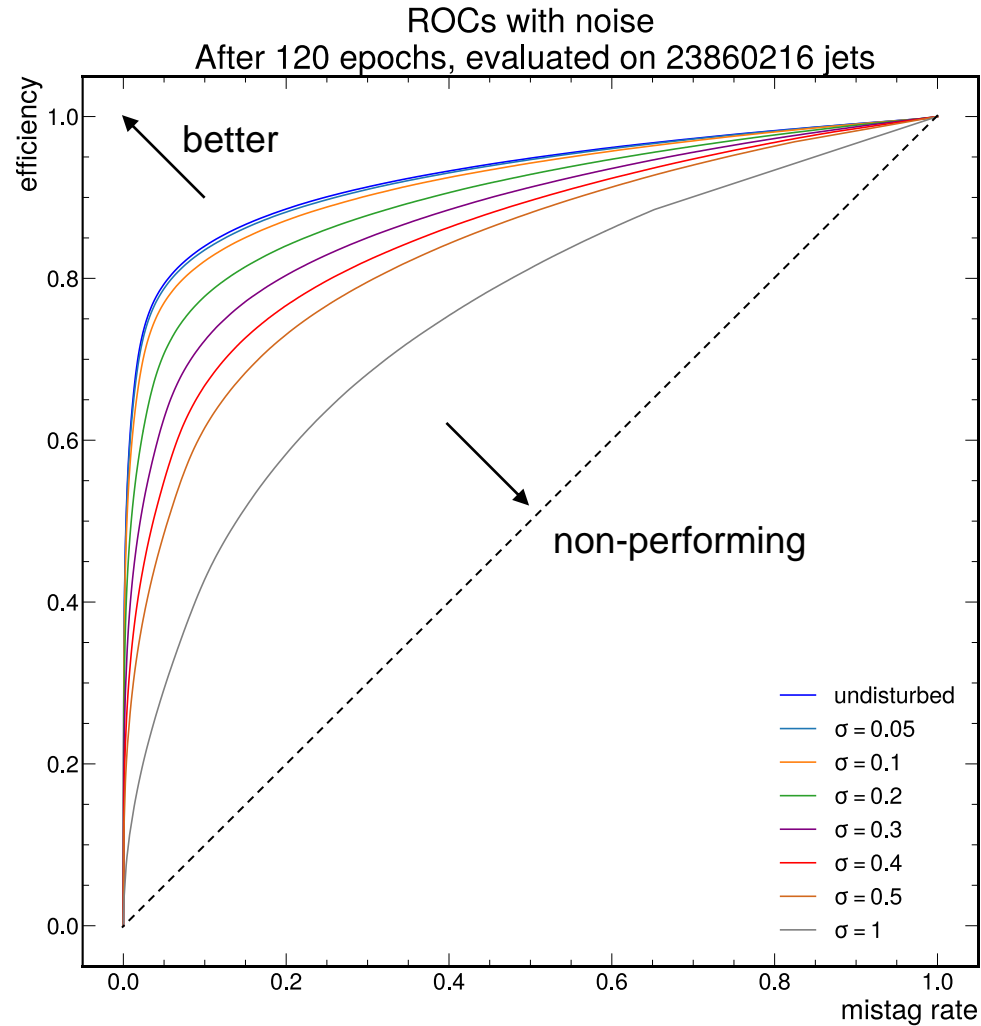
[1,4,6]



# Input shapes



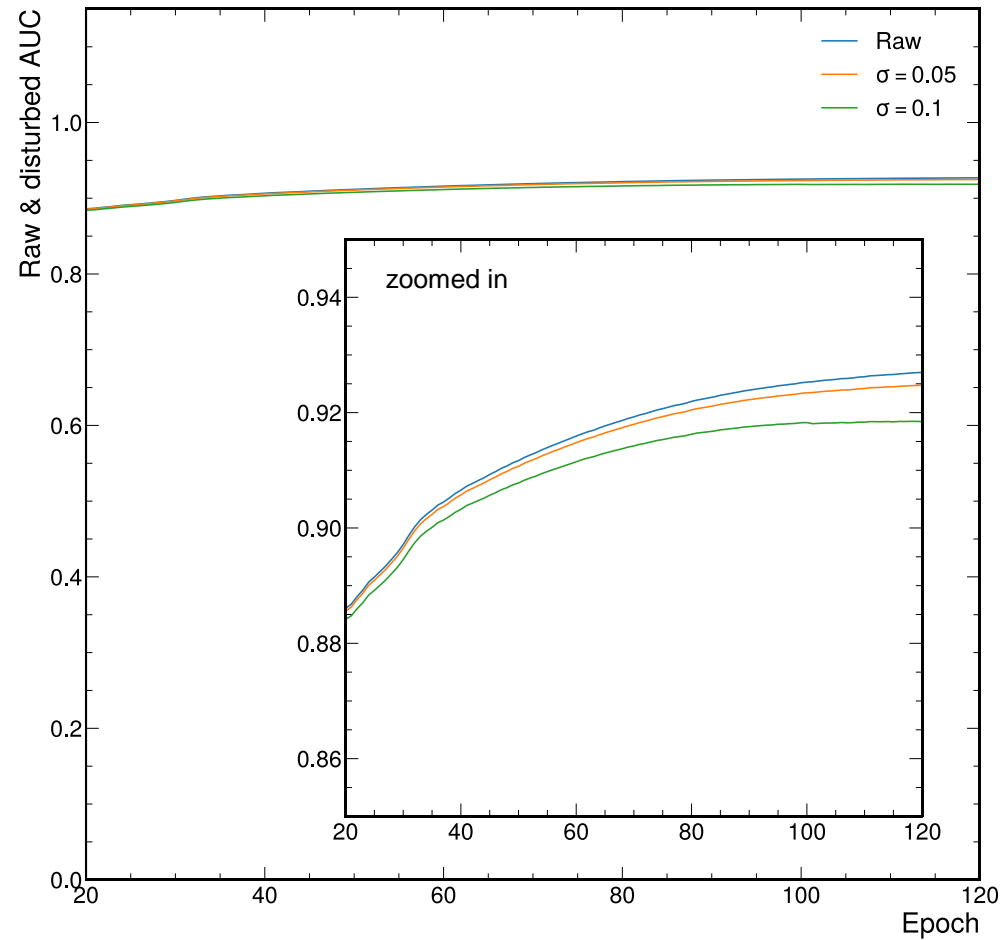
# ROC curves (b vs. udsg (light) jets)



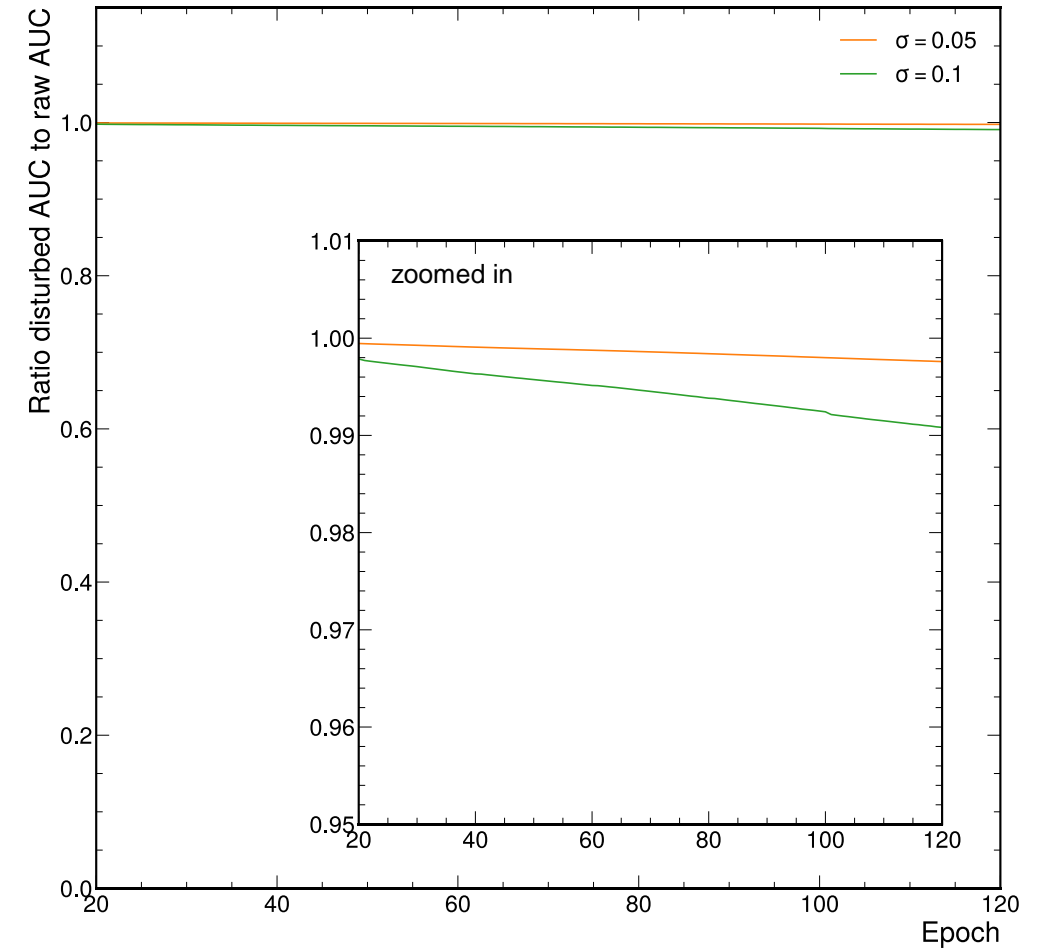


# Evolution of AUC with number of epochs

Raw & disturbed AUC (B vs UDSG) with noise  
Evaluated on 23860216 jets



Ratio disturbed to raw AUC (B vs UDSG) with noise  
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# Adversarial attacks

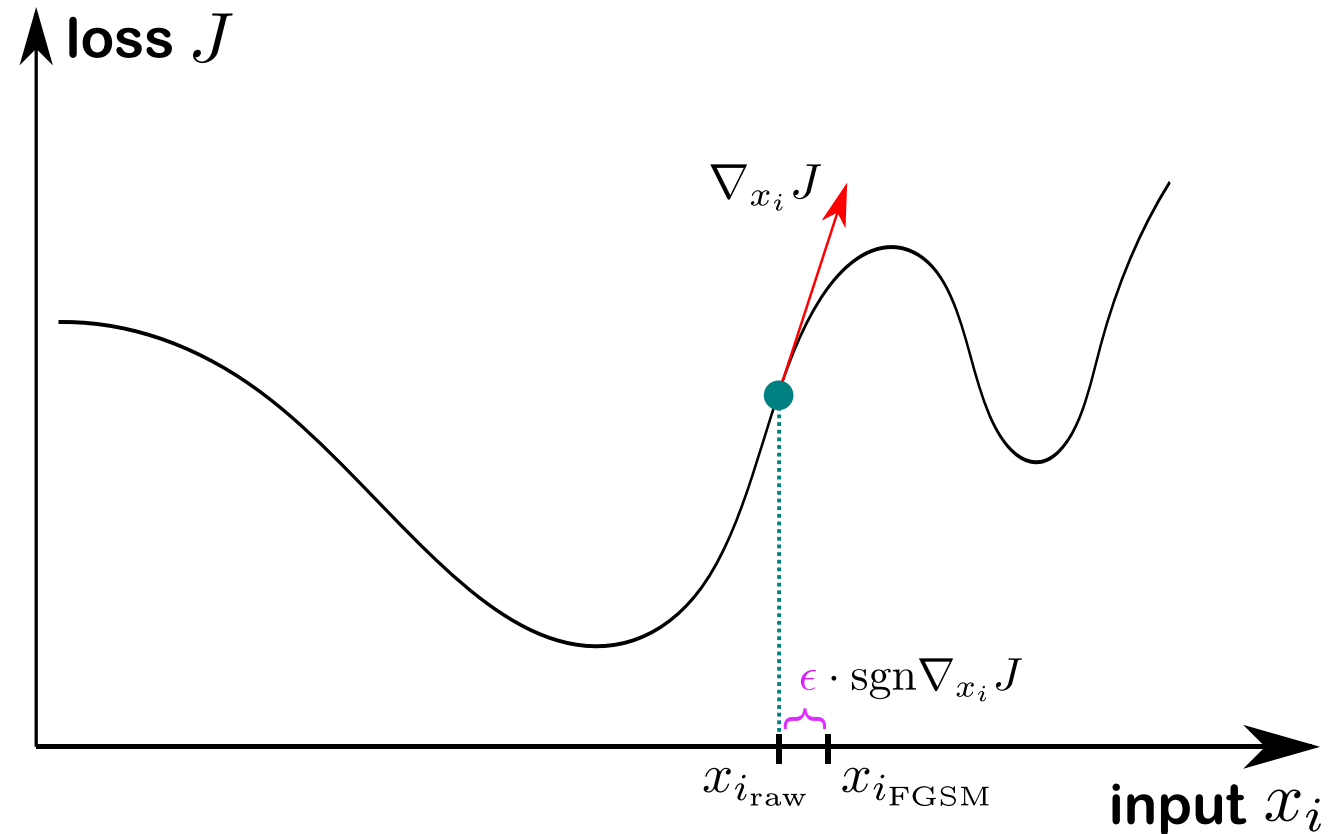
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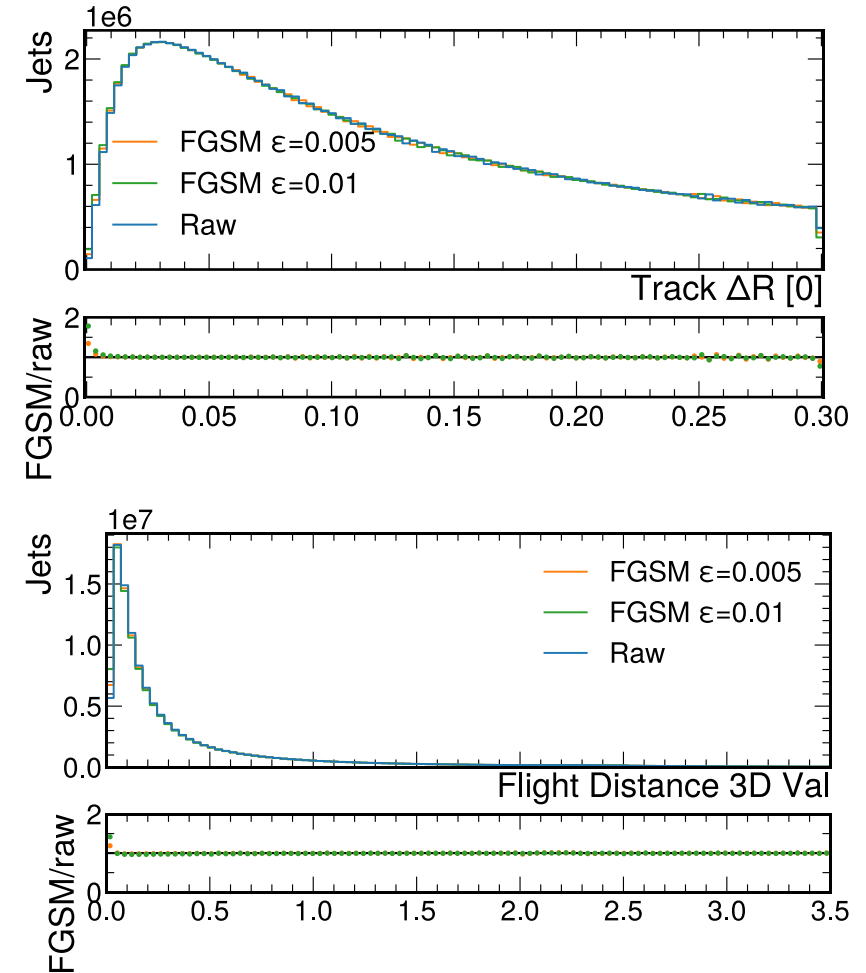
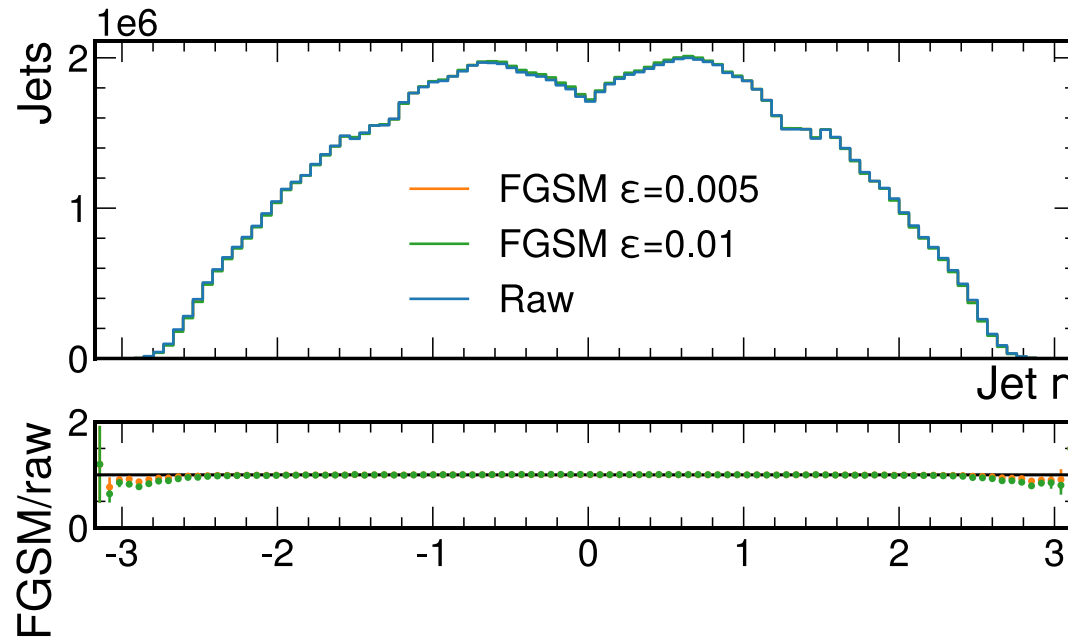
Systematic distortion of the inputs  
by maximizing the loss function

$$x_{FGSM} = x_{raw} + \epsilon \cdot \text{sgn}(\nabla_x J(y, x))$$

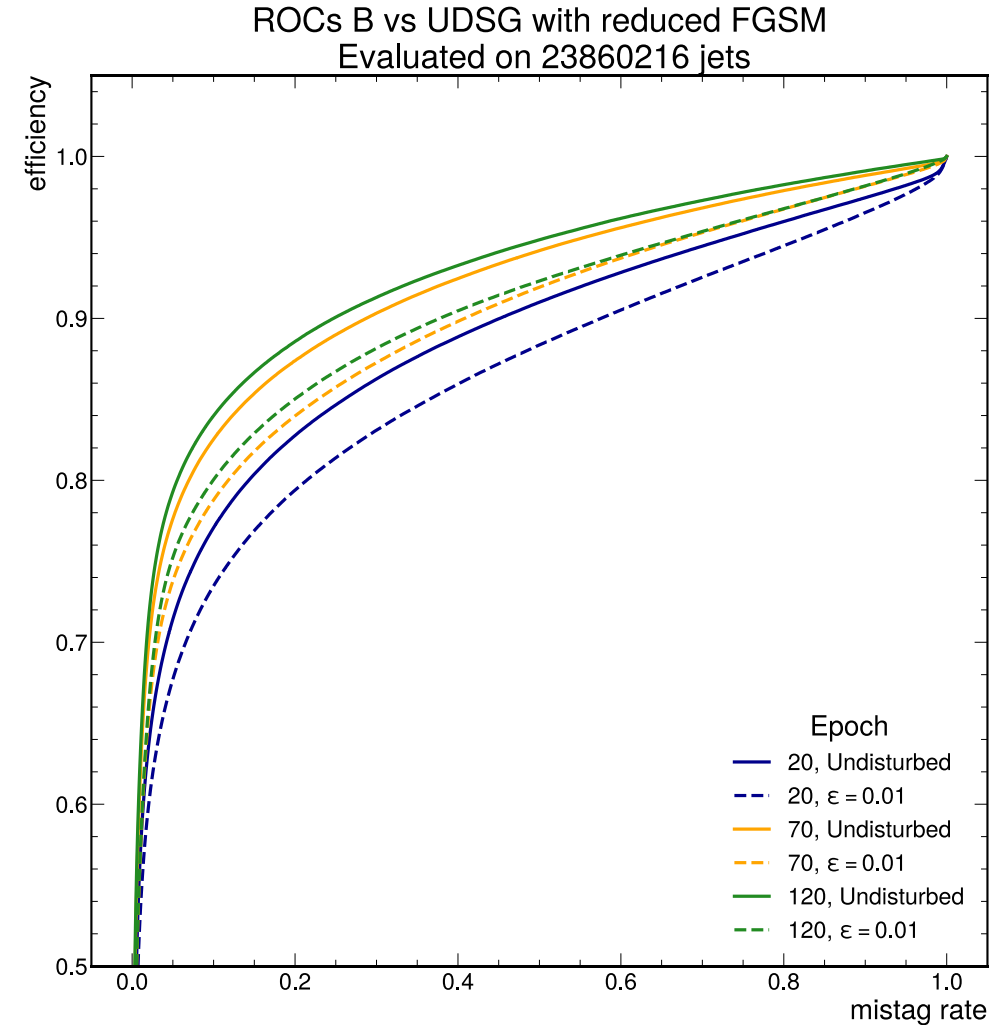
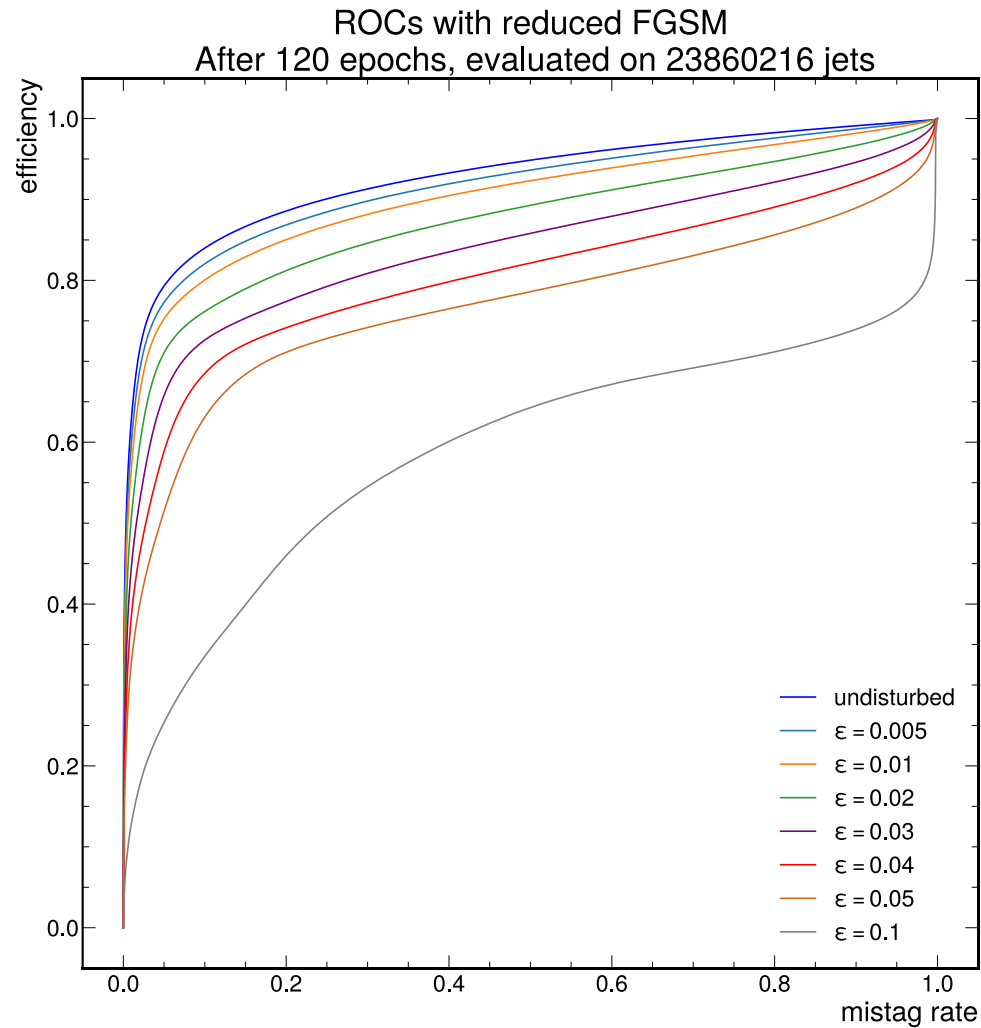
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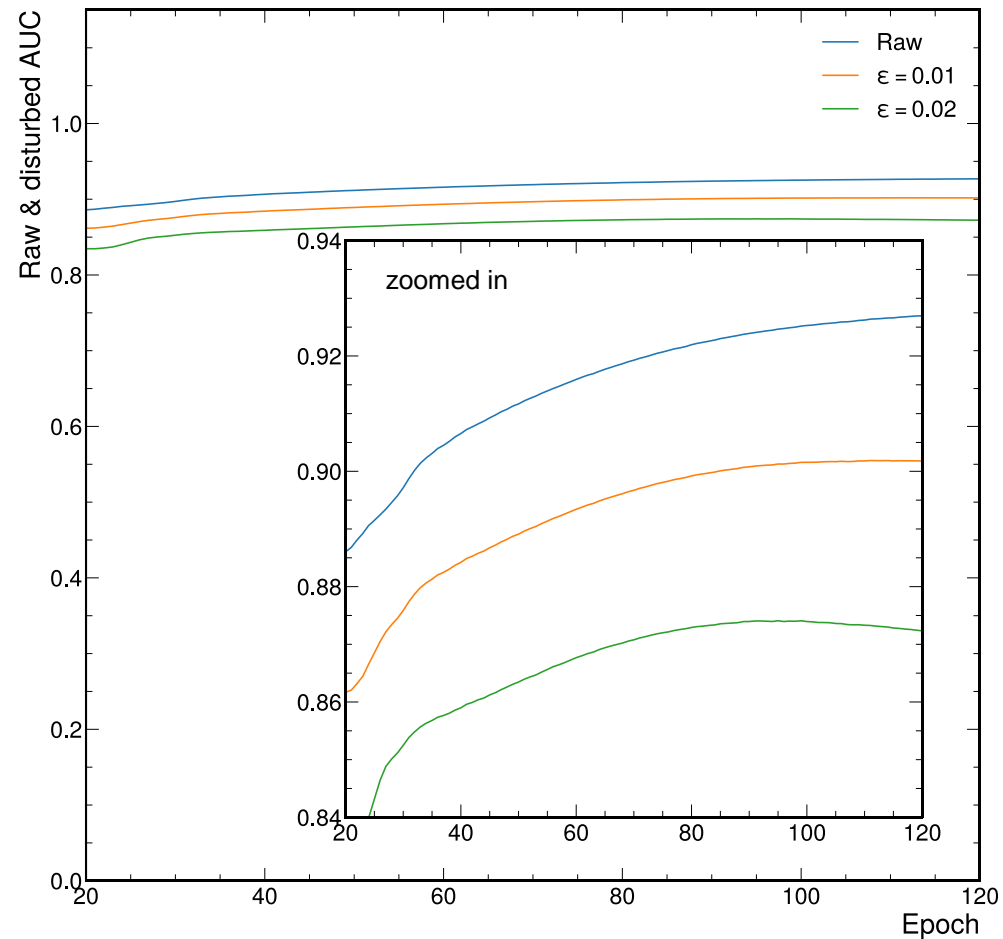
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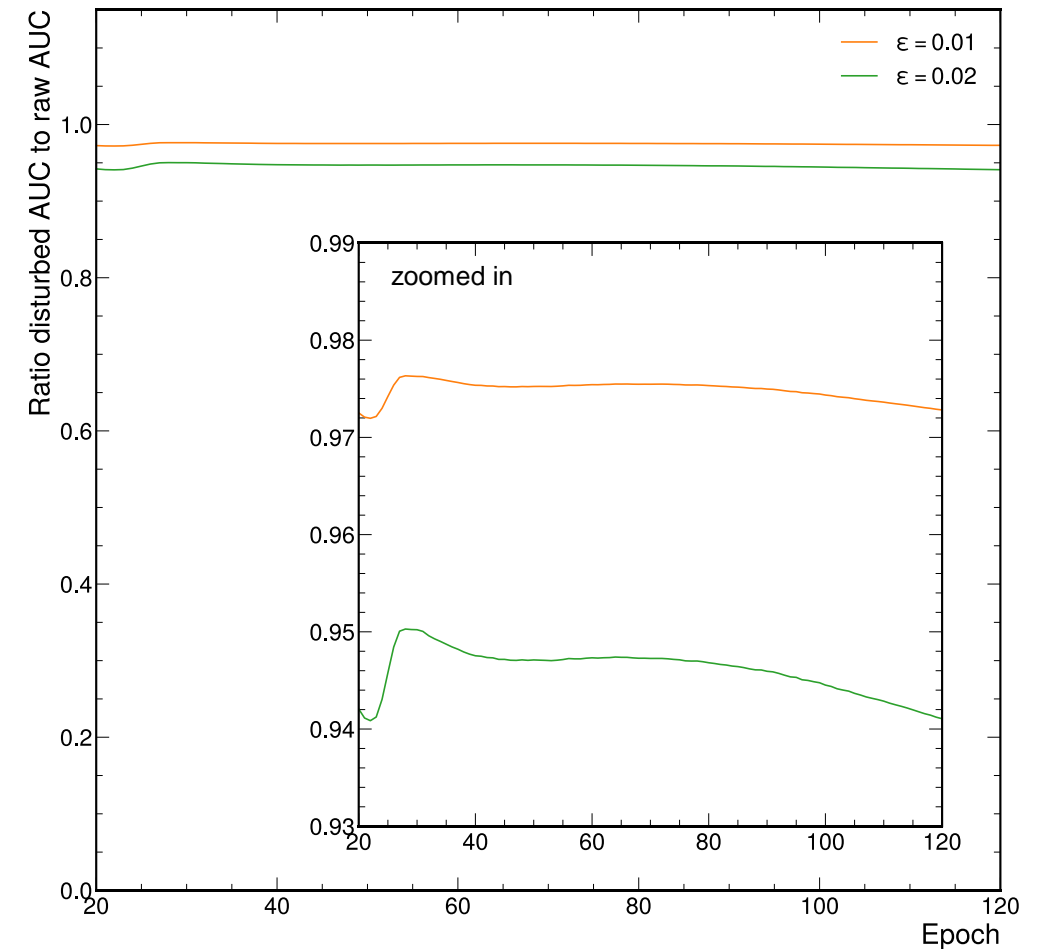


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# Conclusion

- AI safety studies for jet flavour tagging have been done for the first time: **almost invisible disturbances of the inputs** result in **noticable performance drops** → applicable & **concerning** for HEP in general
- Results are **consistent with expectations**: model performance improves with increasing number of epochs, but susceptibility towards adversarial attacks becomes larger as well
- After studying the impact of adversarial attacks on input shapes and performance, **next steps** could be:
  - Investigating the influence on the scale factors
  - Improving the resistance of the model against adversarial attacks (e.g. Adversarial Training [7])
  - Applying other attacks of higher complexity

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# Variable names

## Inputs:

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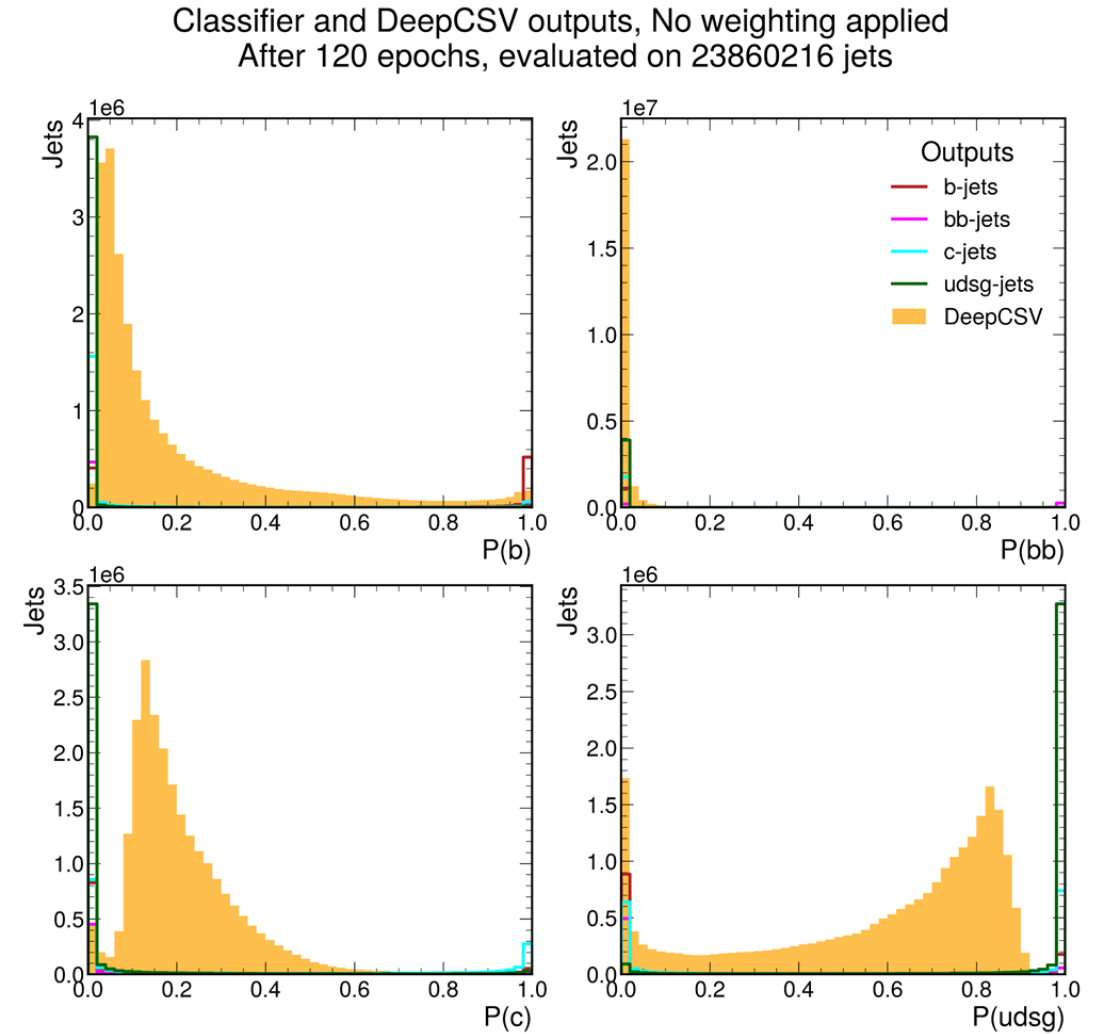
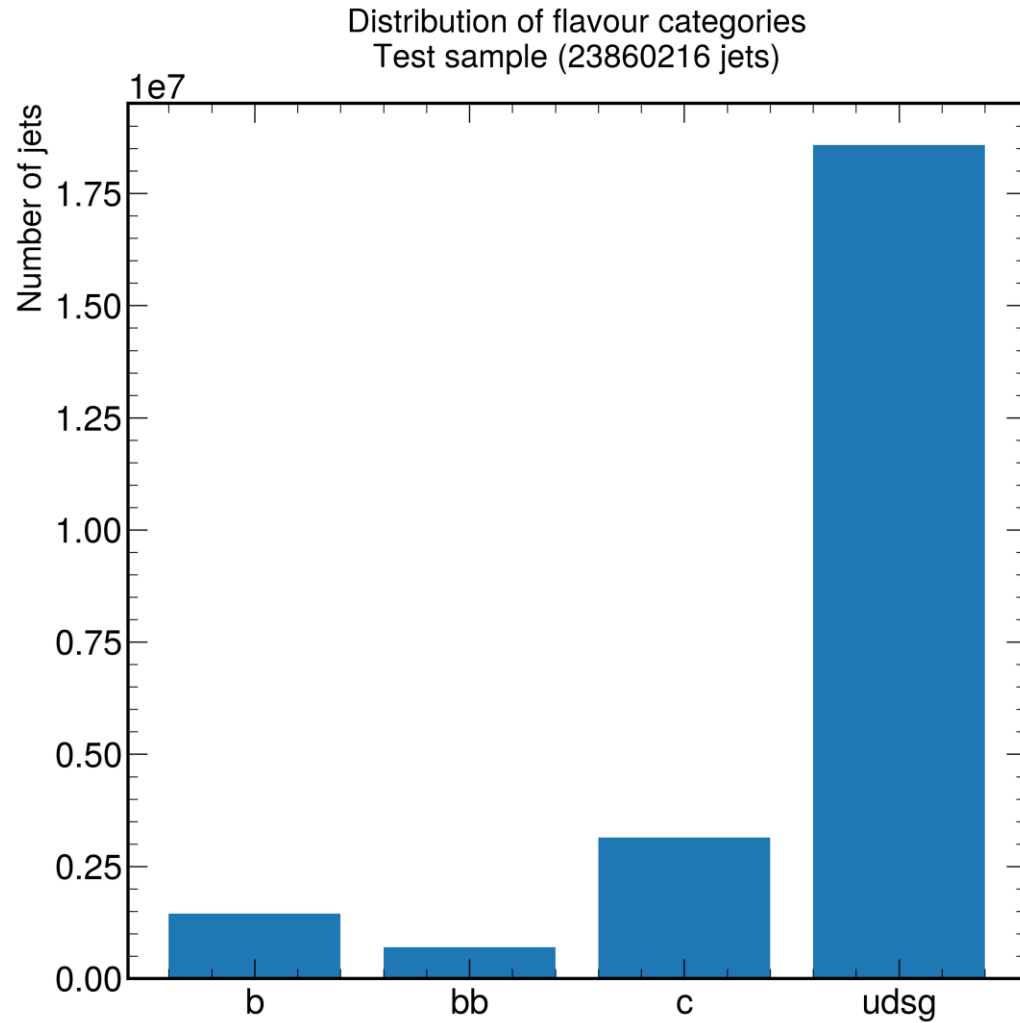
## For comparison with DeepCSV:

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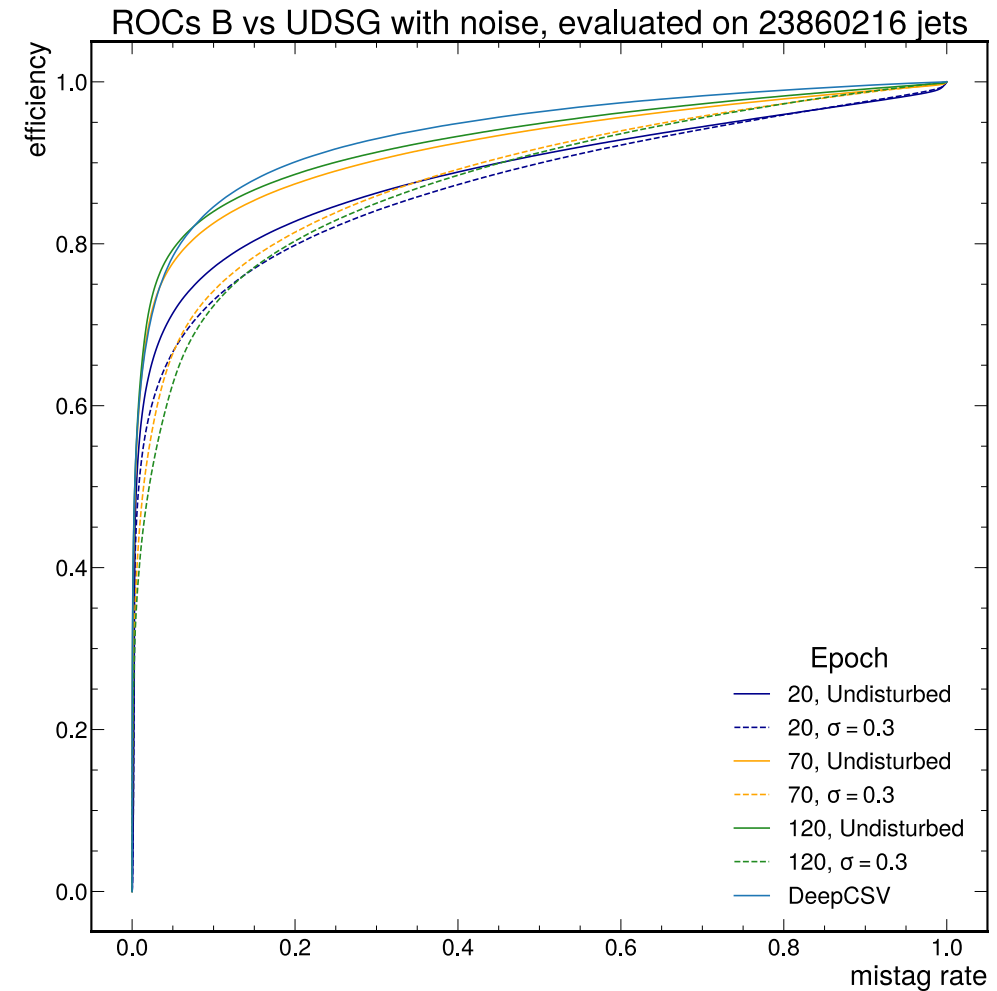
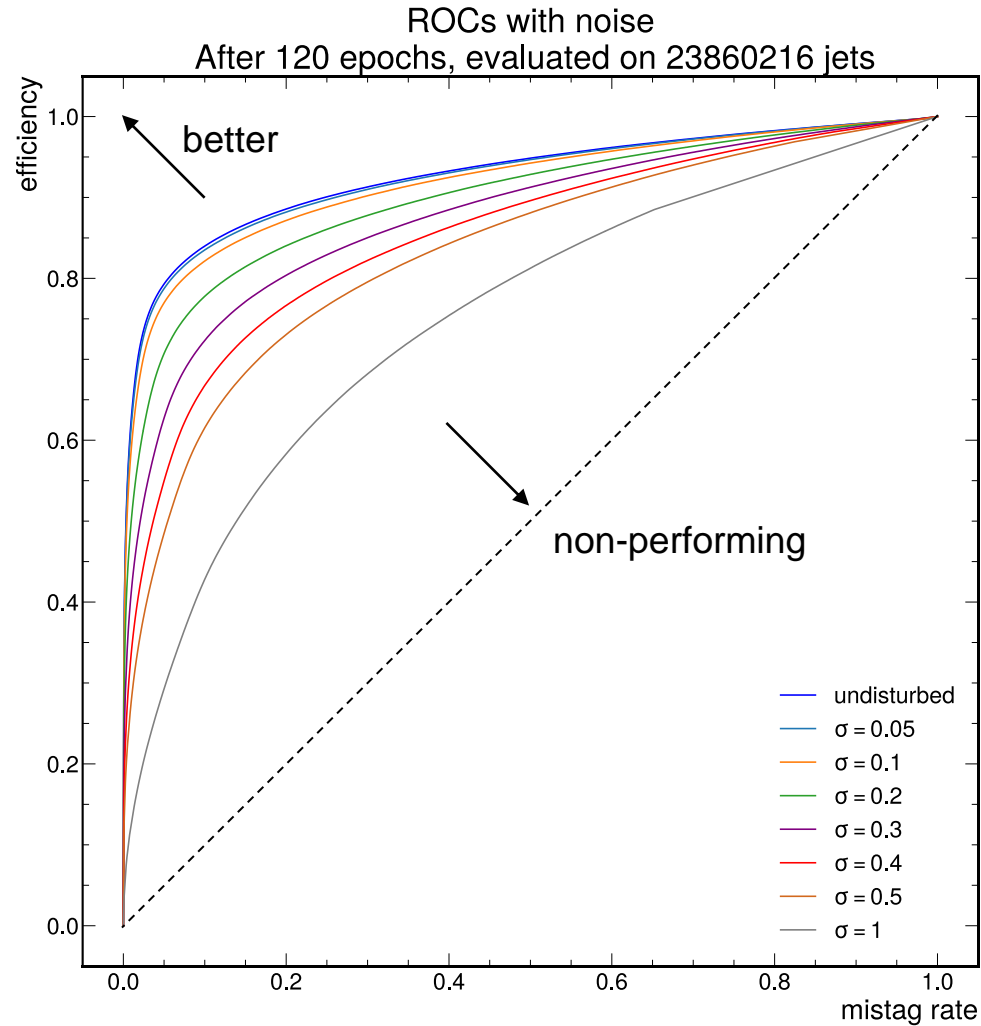
## Creating the truth outputs was done with:

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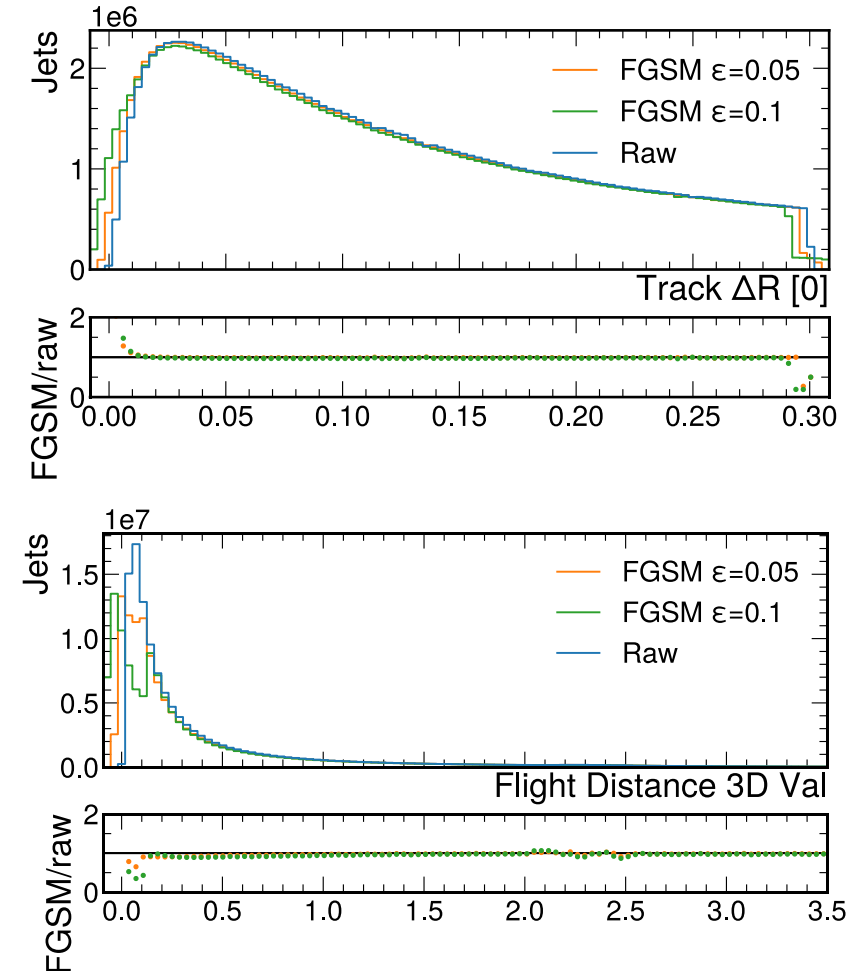
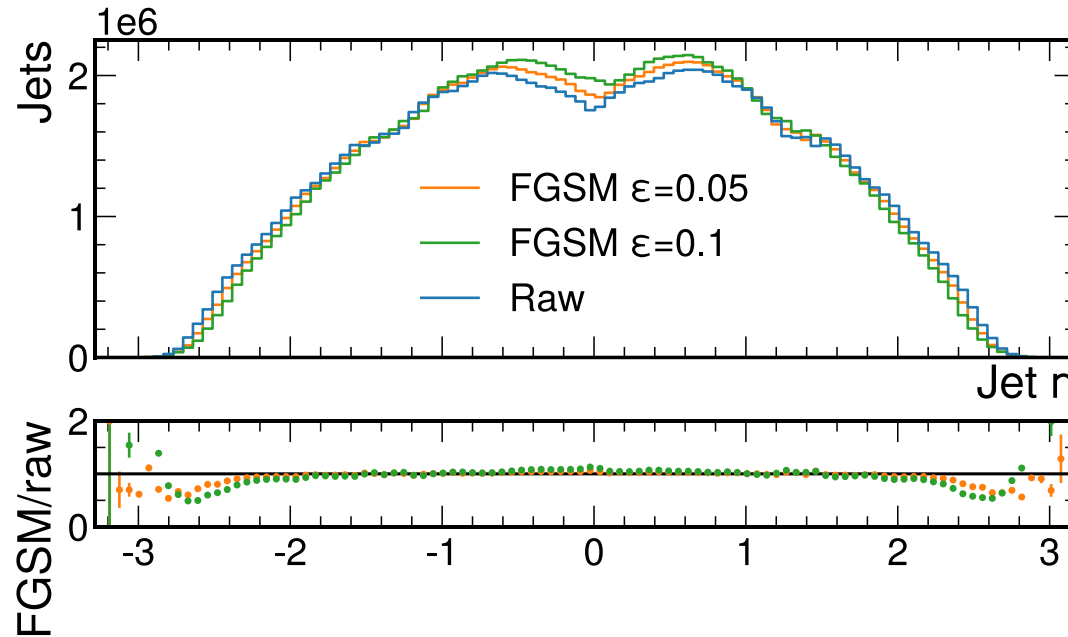
# True flavour distribution & Outputs



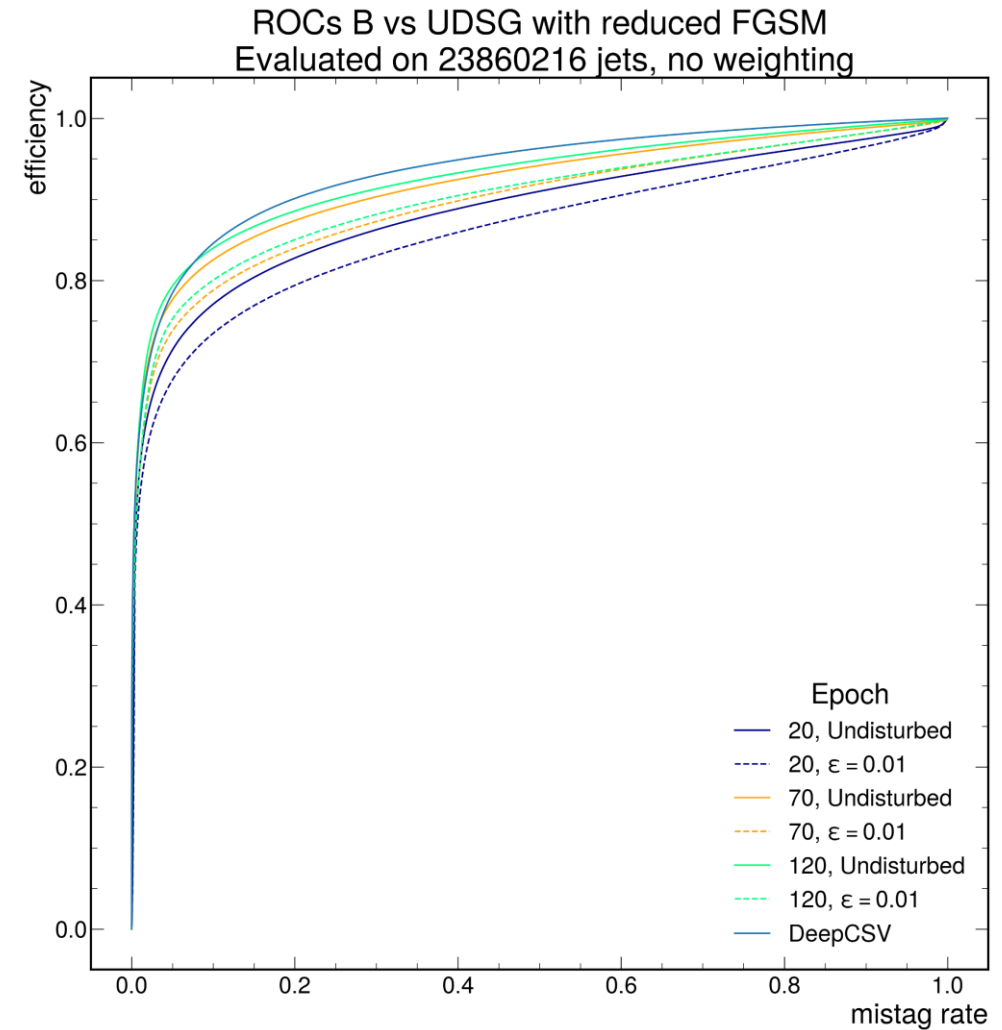
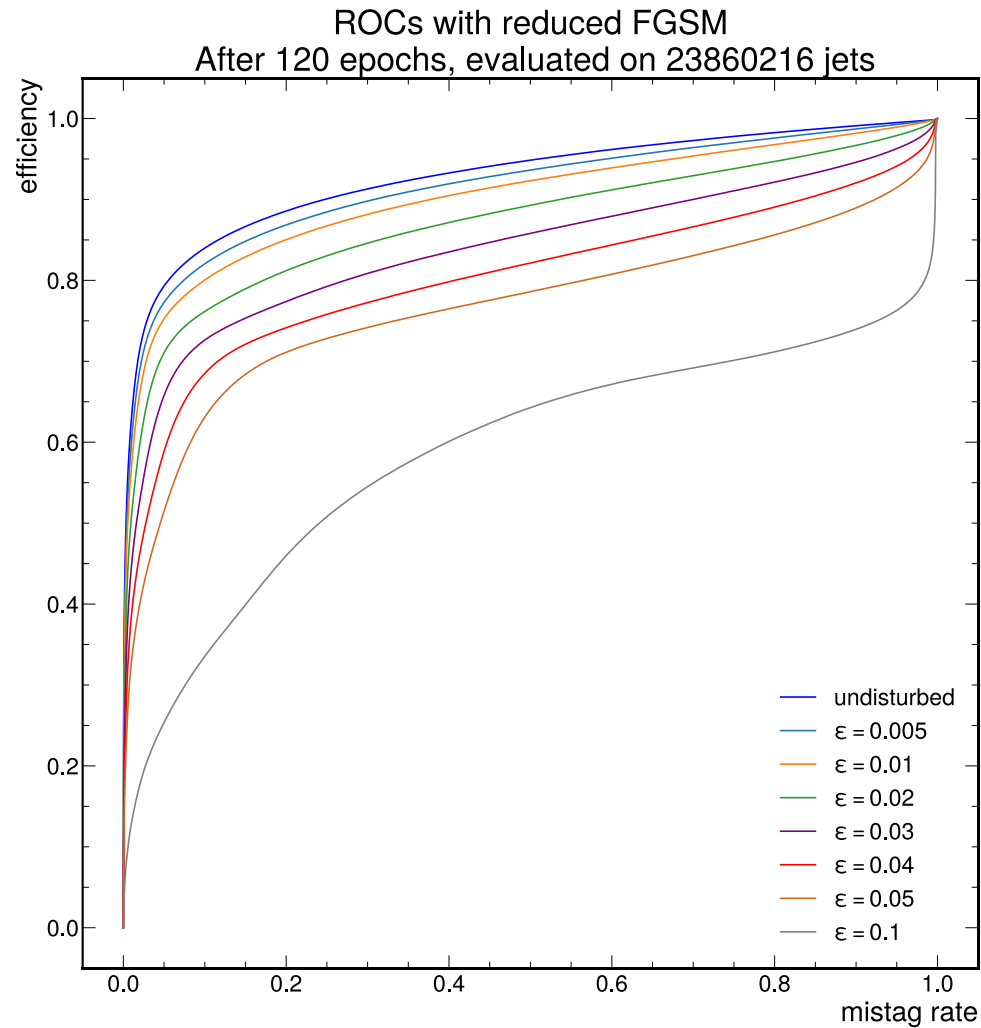
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# Input shapes (larger $\epsilon$ )



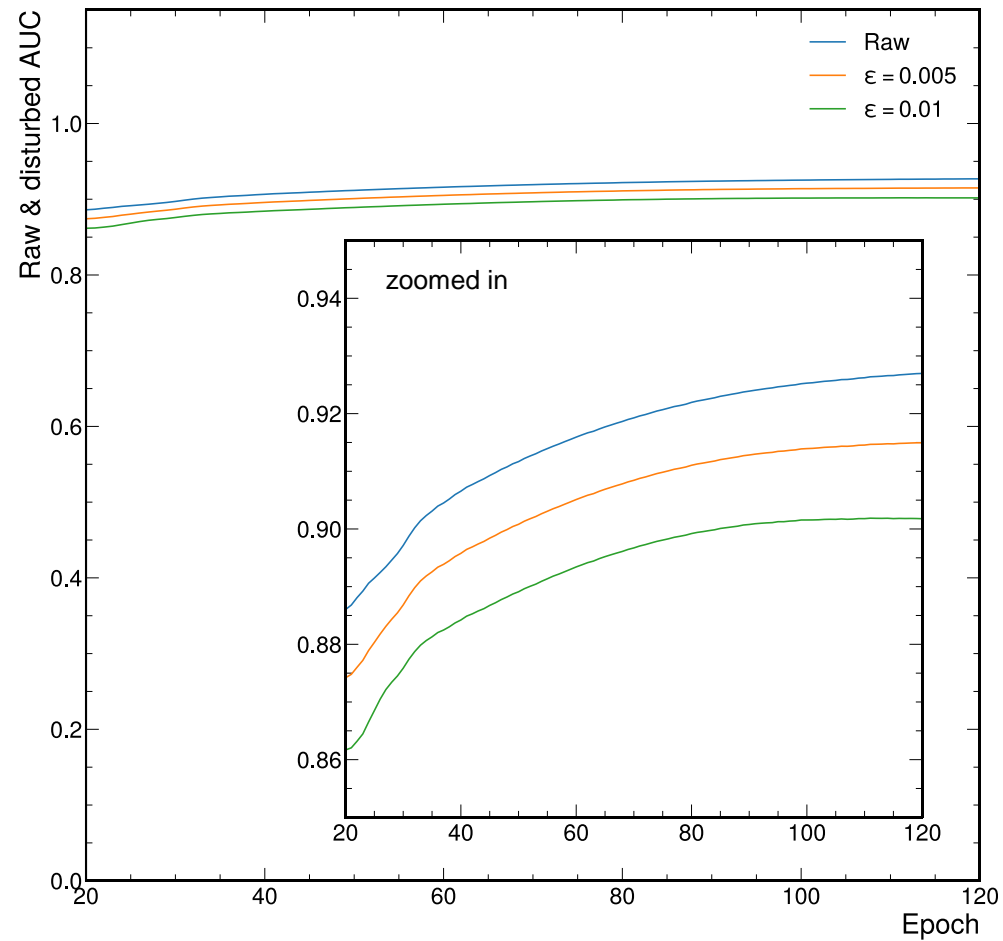
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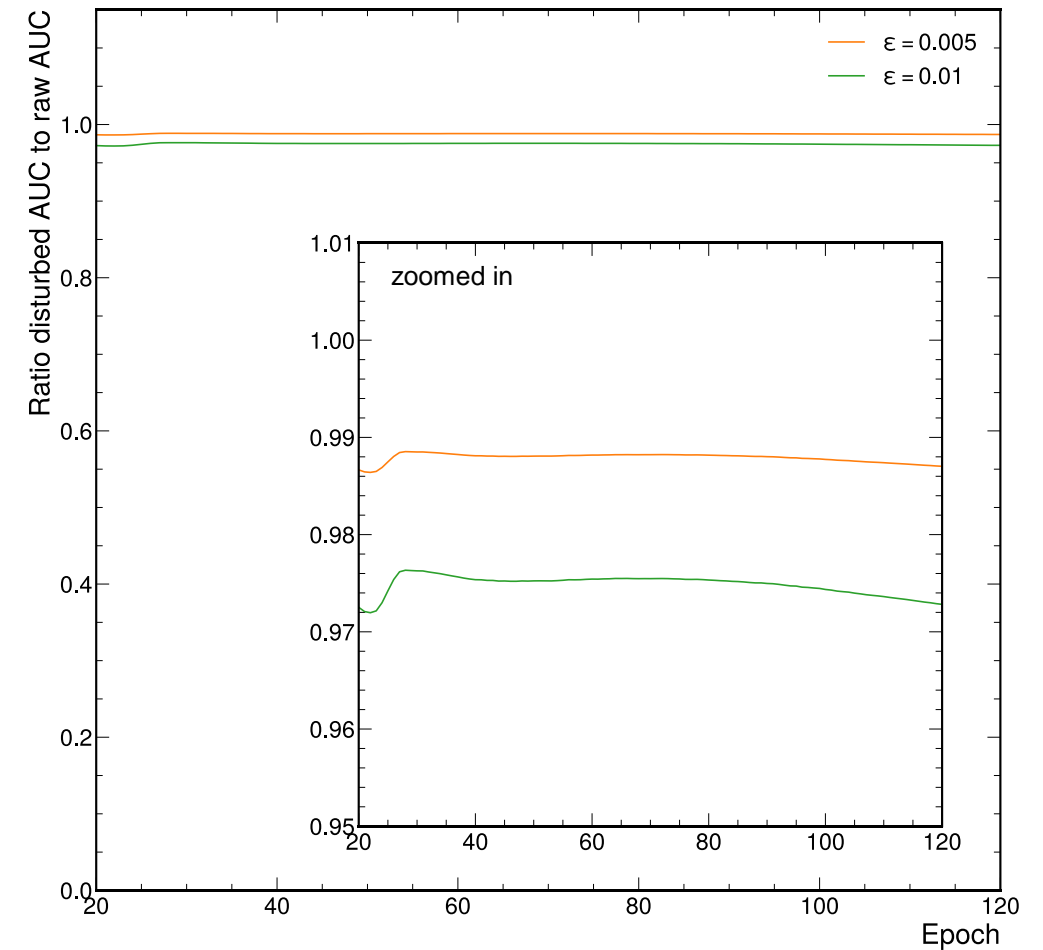


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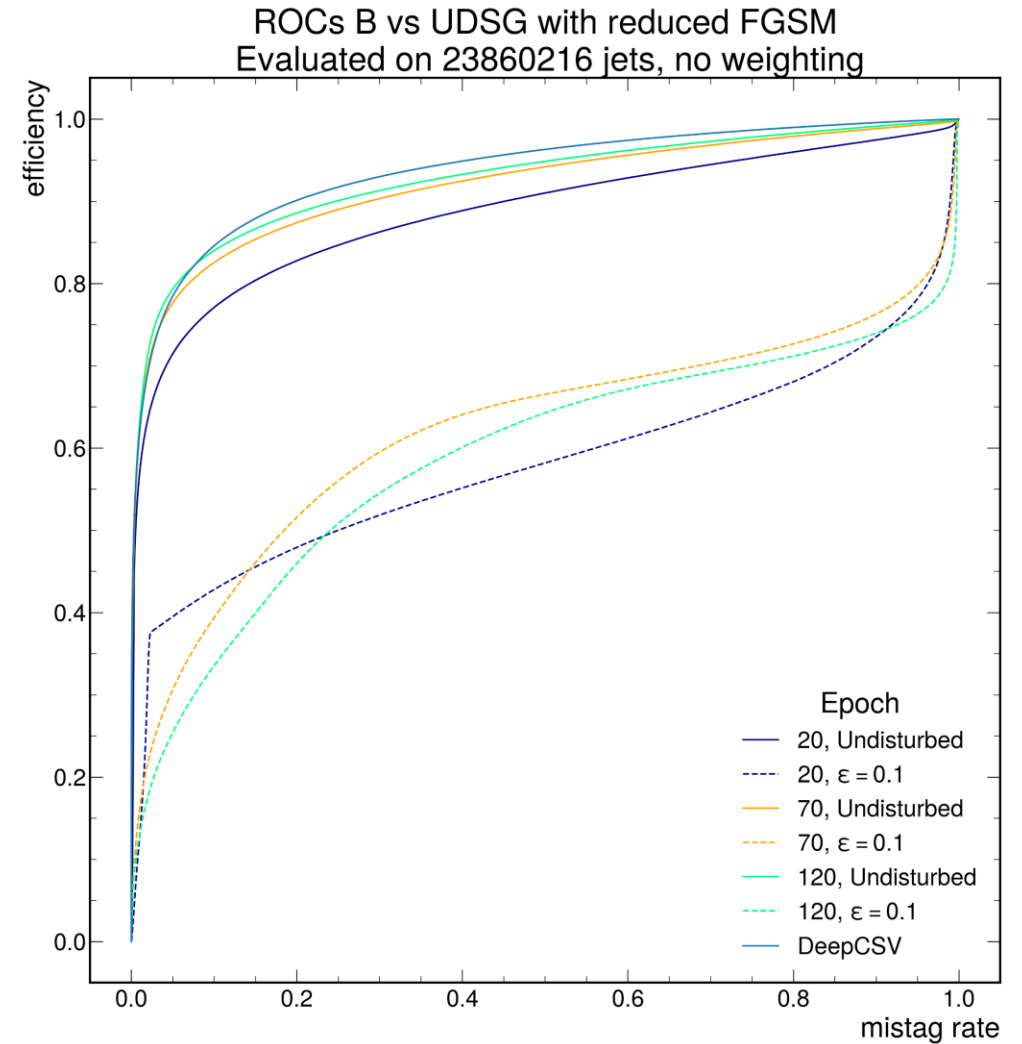
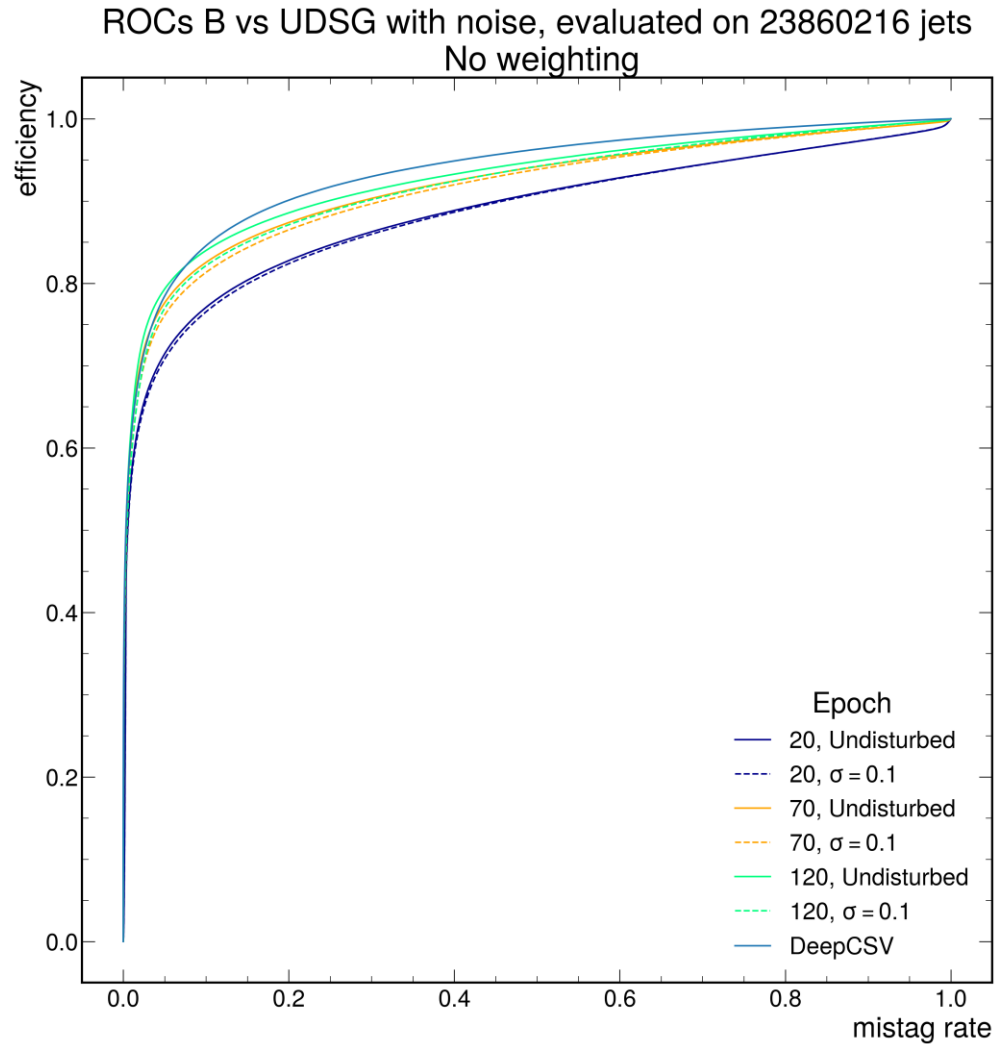
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# More ROC-curves



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