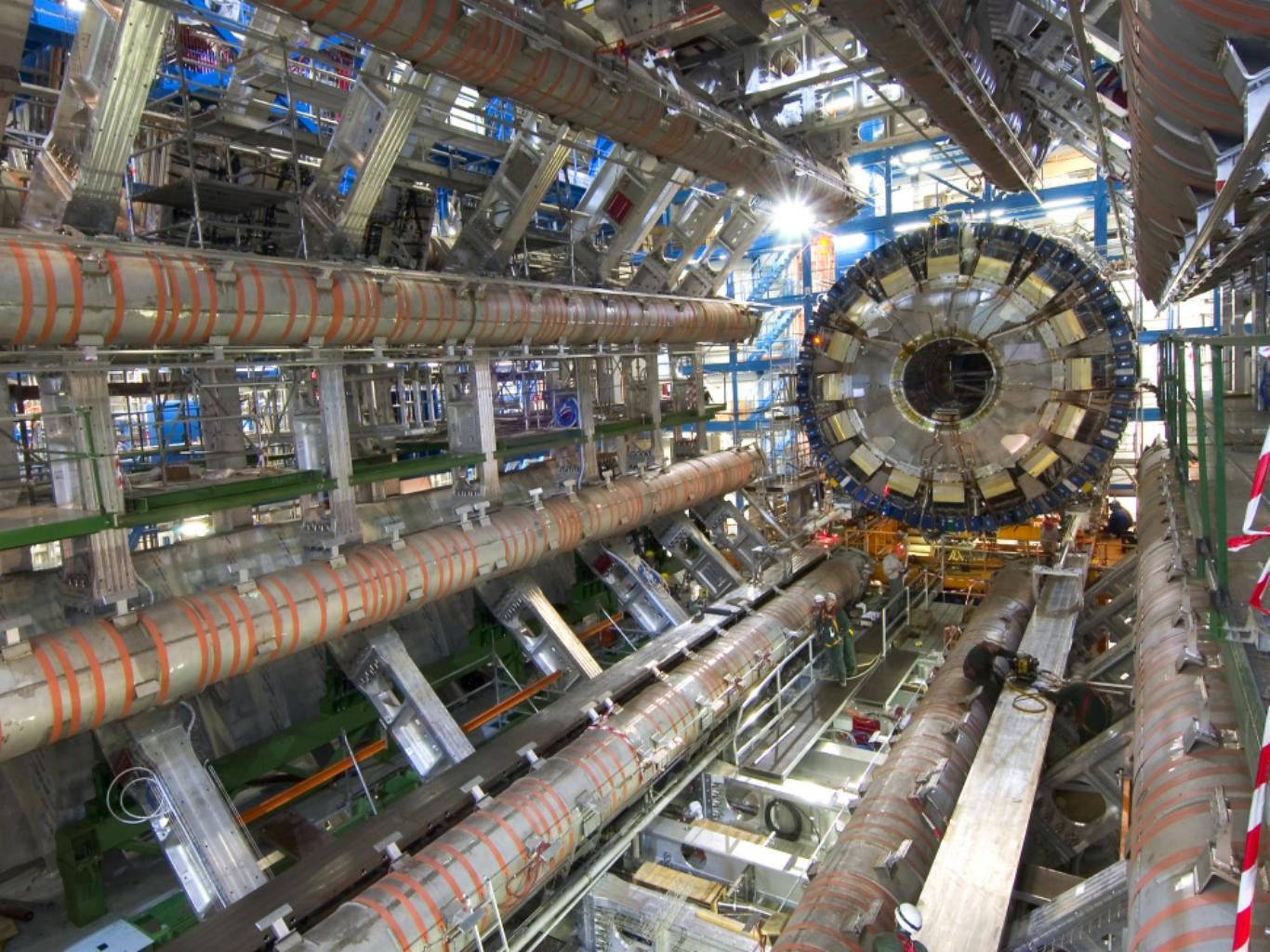


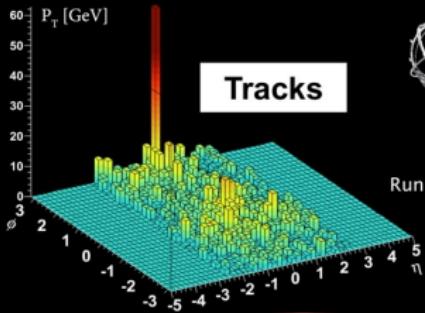
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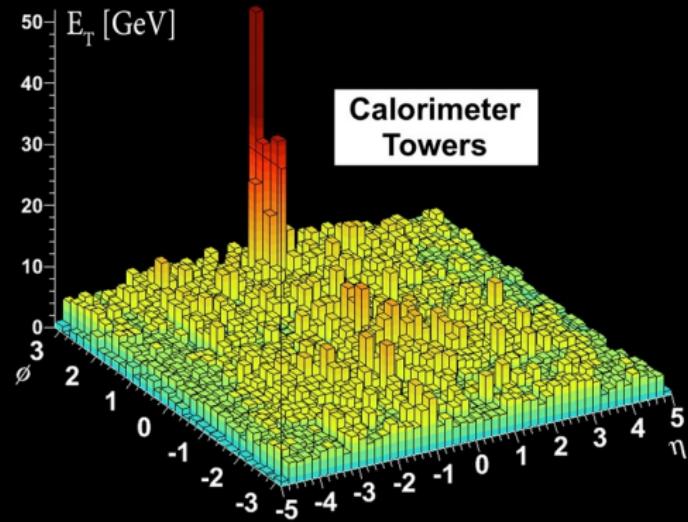
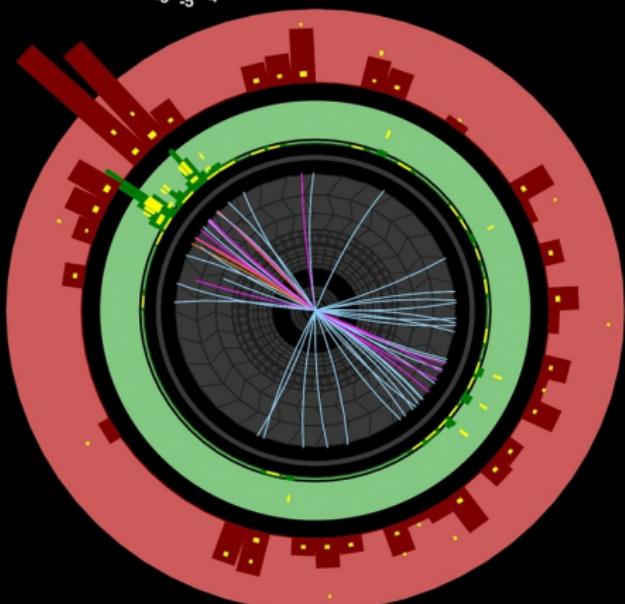
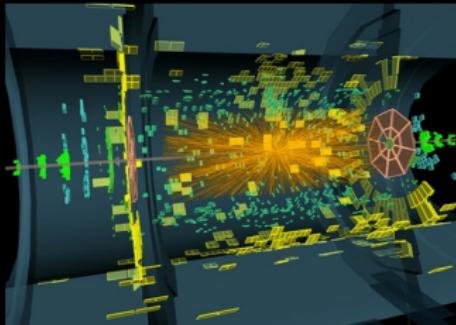


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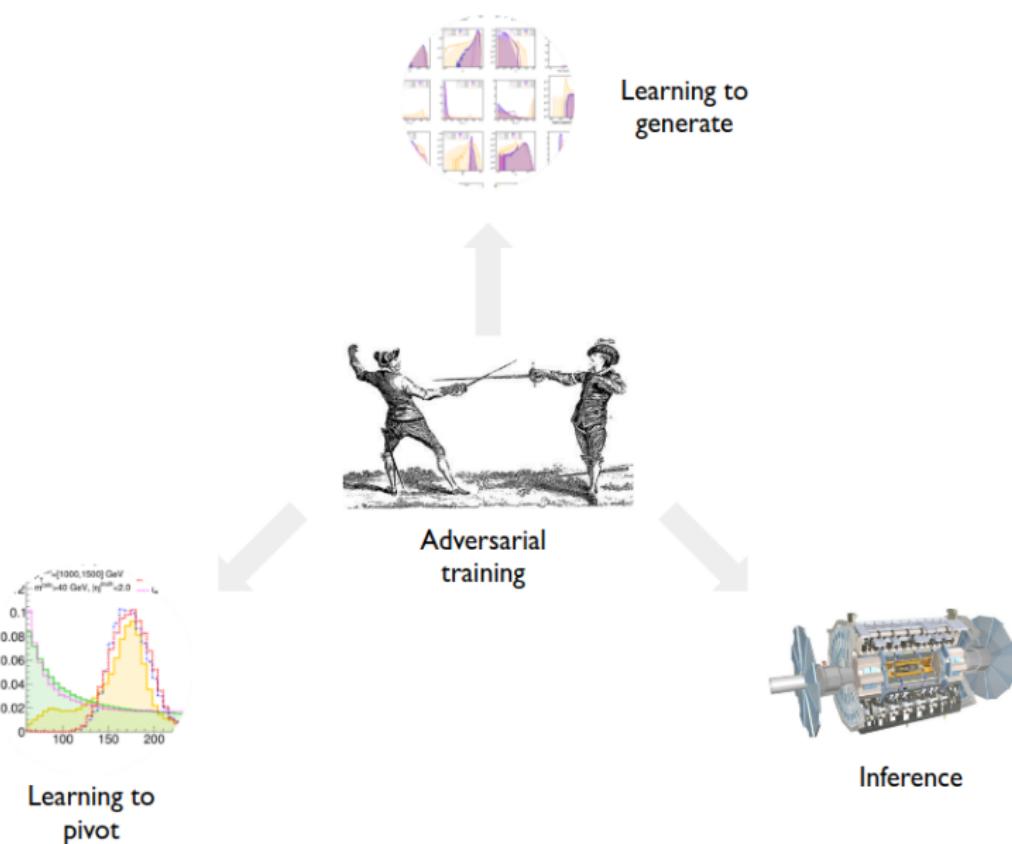
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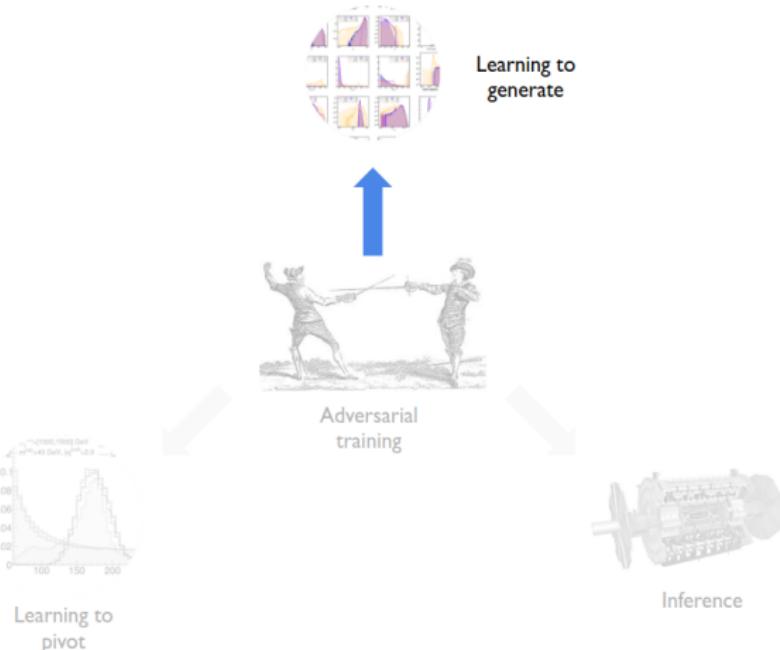
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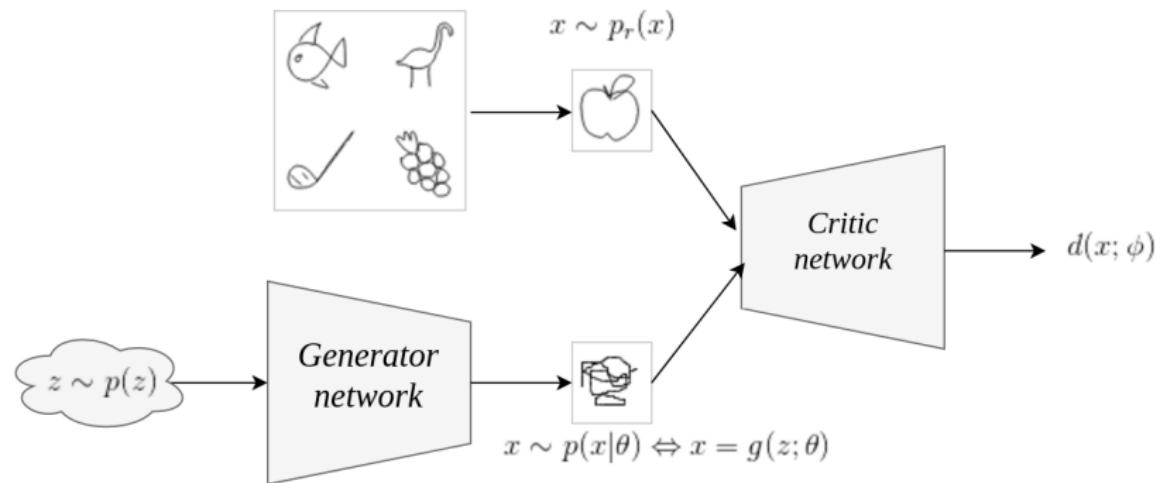
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# I. Fast simulation



# Generative adversarial networks

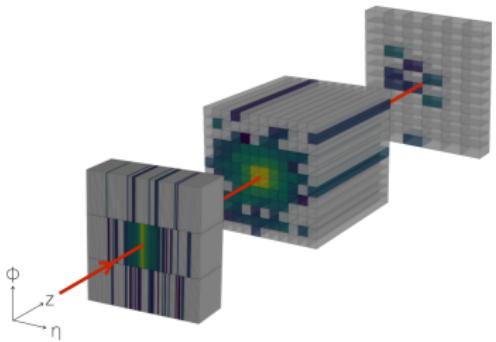
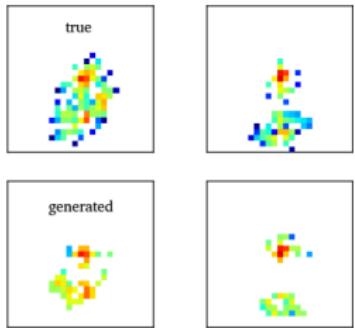
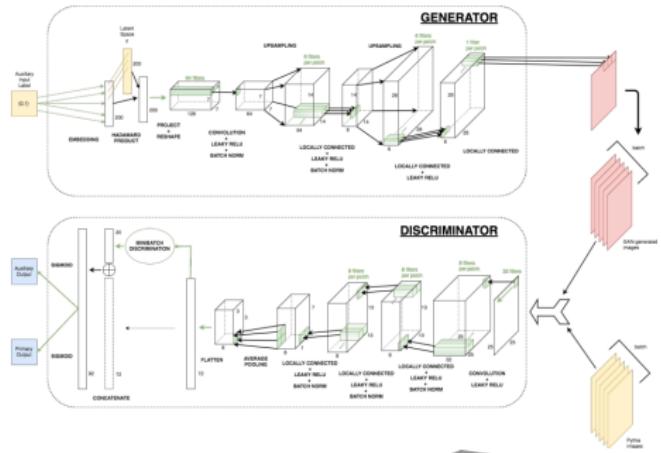


$$\mathcal{L}_d = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}[d(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\phi})] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_r(\mathbf{x})}[d(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\phi})] + \lambda \Omega(\boldsymbol{\phi})$$

$$\mathcal{L}_g = -\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}[d(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\phi})]$$

(Wasserstein GAN + Gradient Penalty)

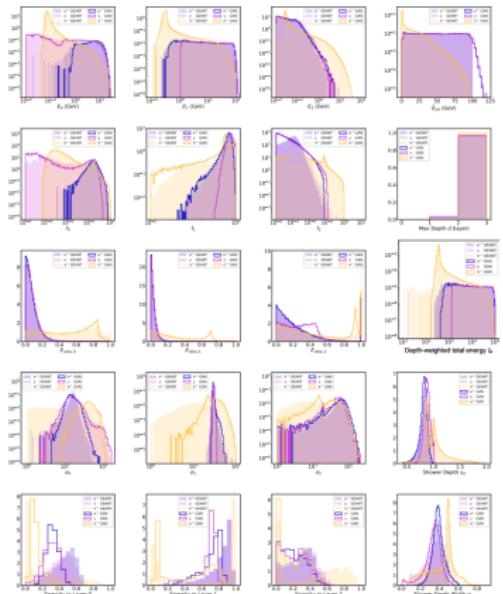
# Fast simulation



## Challenges:

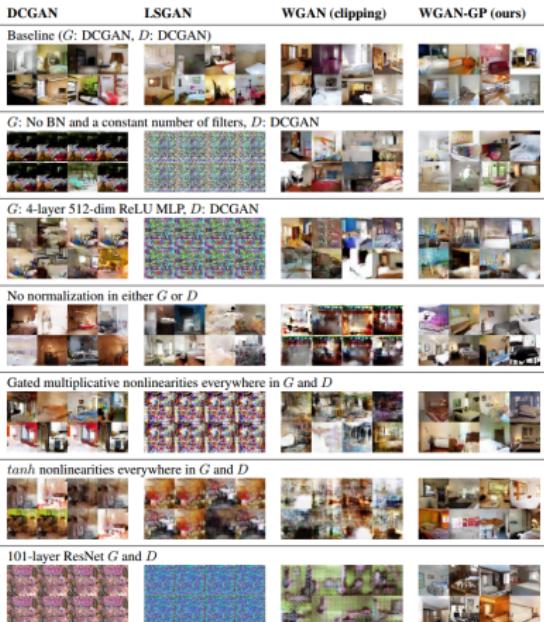
- How to ensure physical properties?
- Non-uniform geometry
- Mostly sparse
- How to scale to full resolution?

# Evaluation



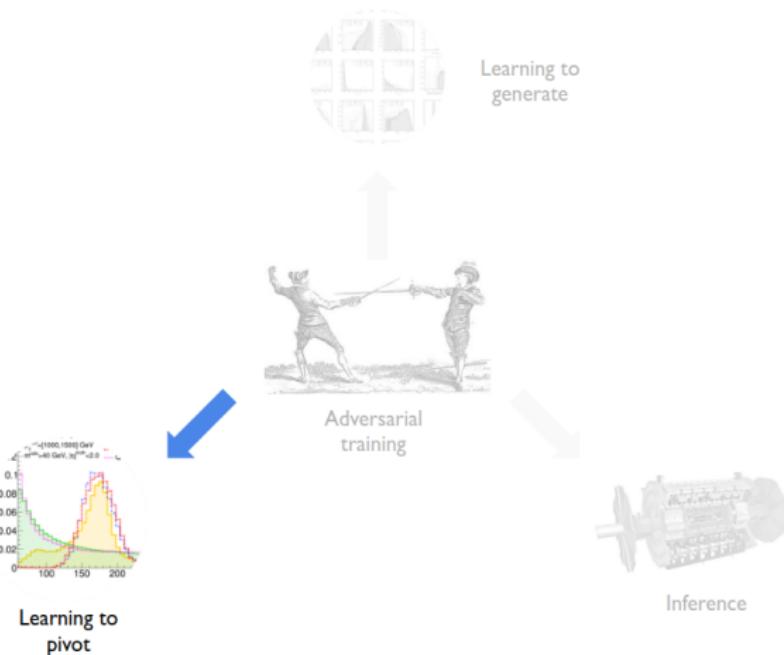
**Physics:** Evaluate well-known physical variates

How to be sure the generator is physically correct?



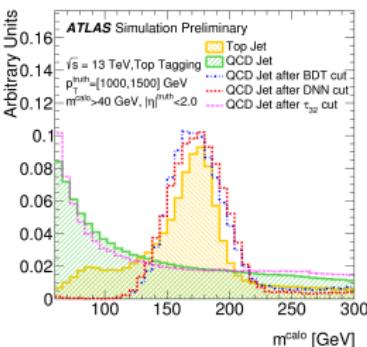
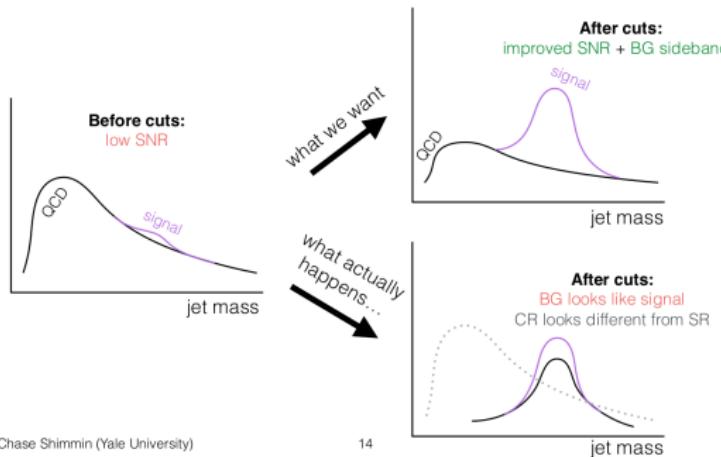
**ML:** Look at generated images

## II. Learning to Pivot



# Independence from physics variates

- Analysis often rely on the model being **independent from some physics variates** (e.g., mass).
- Correlation leads to systematic uncertainties, that cannot easily be characterized and controlled.



# Independence from known unknowns

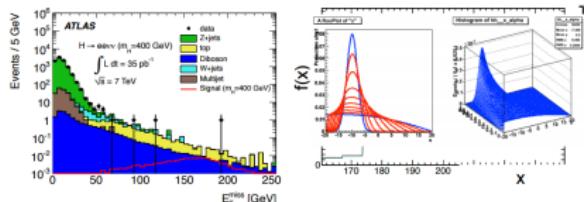
- The generation process is often **not uniquely specified** or known exactly, hence systematic uncertainties.
- Parametrization through **nuisance parameters**.
- Ideally, we would like a classifier that is robust to nuisance parameters.

## Incorporating Systematic Effects



Tabulate effect of individual variations of sources of systematic uncertainty

- typically one at a time evaluated at nominal and " $\pm 1\sigma$ "
- use some form of interpolation to parametrize  $p^{\text{hi}}$  variation in terms of **nuisance parameter**  $\alpha_p$



$$f(\mathcal{D}|\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \text{Pois}(n|\nu(\boldsymbol{\alpha})) \prod_{e=1}^n f(x_e|\boldsymbol{\alpha})$$

## Problem statement

- Assume a family of data generation processes  $p(X, Y, Z)$  where
  - $X$  are the data (taking values  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ ),
  - $Y$  are the target labels (taking values  $y \in \mathcal{Y}$ ),
  - $Z$  is an auxiliary random variable (taking values  $z \in \mathcal{Z}$ ).
    - $Z$  corresponds to physics variates or nuisance parameters.
- Supervised learning: learn a function  $f(\cdot; \theta_f) : \mathcal{X} \mapsto \mathcal{Y}$ .
- We want inference based on  $f(X; \theta_f)$  to be **robust** to the value  $z \in \mathcal{Z}$ .
  - E.g., we want a classifier that does not change with systematic variations, even though the data might.

## Pivot

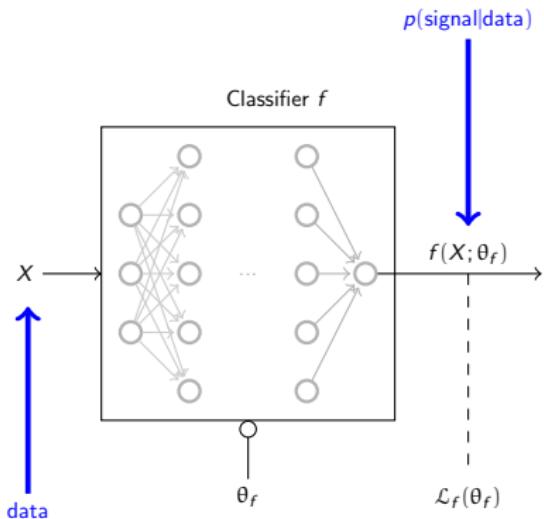
- We define robustness as requiring the distribution of  $f(X; \theta_f)$  conditional on  $Z$  to be **invariant** with  $Z$ . That is, such that

$$p(f(X; \theta_f) = s | z) = p(f(X; \theta_f) = s | z')$$

for all  $z, z' \in \mathcal{Z}$  and all values  $s \in \mathcal{S}$  of  $f(X; \theta_f)$ .

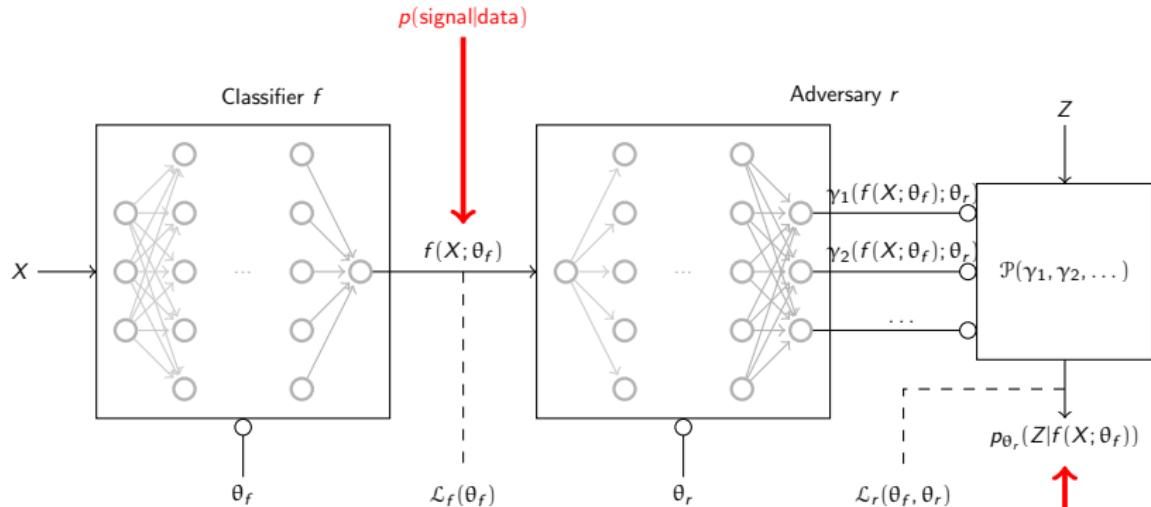
- If  $f$  satisfies this criterion, then  $f$  is known as a **pivotal quantity**.
- Same as requiring  $f(X; \theta_f)$  and  $Z$  to be **independent random variables**.

# Adversarial game



Consider a classifier  $f$  built as usual, minimizing the cross-entropy  $\mathcal{L}_f(\theta_f) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim X} \mathbb{E}_{y \sim Y|x} [-\log p_{\theta_f}(y|x)]$ .

# Adversarial game



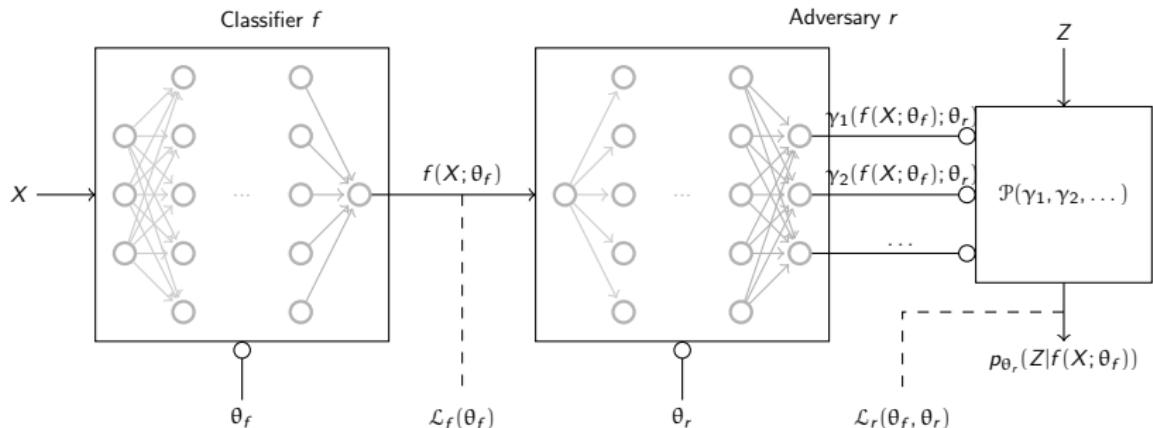
Pit  $f$  against an adversary network  $r$  producing as output the posterior  $p_{\theta_r}(z|f(X; \theta_f) = s)$ .

Set  $r$  to minimize the cross entropy

$$\mathcal{L}_r(\theta_f, \theta_r) = \mathbb{E}_{s \sim f(X; \theta_f)} \mathbb{E}_{z \sim Z|s} [-\log p_{\theta_r}(z|s)].$$

Regression of  $Z$  from  $f$ 's output

# Adversarial game



Goal is to solve:  $\hat{\theta}_f, \hat{\theta}_r = \arg \min_{\theta_f} \max_{\theta_r} \mathcal{L}_f(\theta_f) - \mathcal{L}_r(\theta_f, \theta_r)$

Intuitively,  $r$  penalizes  $f$  for outputs that can be used to infer  $Z$ .

## In practice

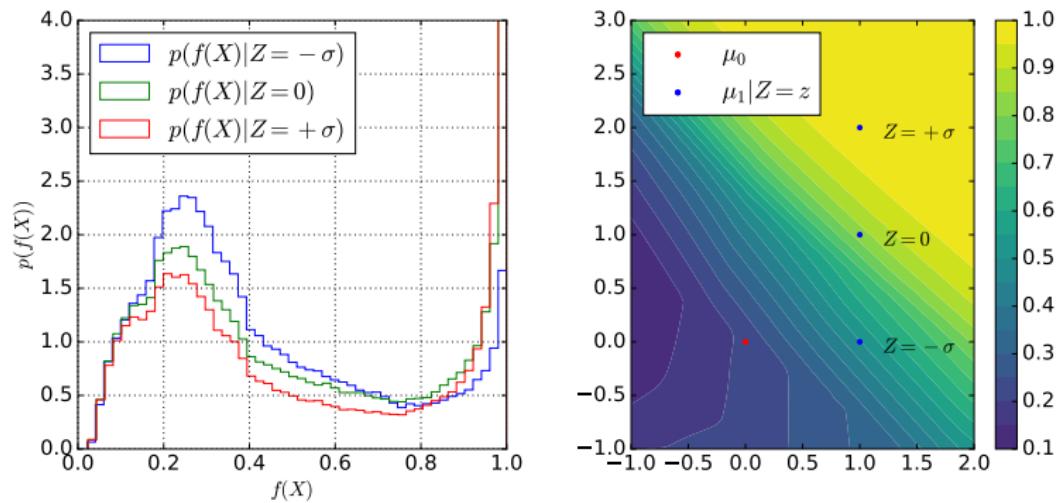
- The assumption of existence of a classifier that is both optimal and pivotal may not hold.
- However, the minimax objective can be rewritten as

$$E_\lambda(\theta_f, \theta_r) = \mathcal{L}_f(\theta_f) - \lambda \mathcal{L}_r(\theta_f, \theta_r)$$

where  $\lambda$  controls the trade-off between the performance of  $f$  and its independence w.r.t.  $Z$ .

- Setting  $\lambda$  to a large value enforces  $f$  to be pivotal.
- Setting  $\lambda$  close to 0 constraints  $f$  to be optimal.
- Tuning  $\lambda$  is guided by a higher-level objective (e.g., statistical significance).

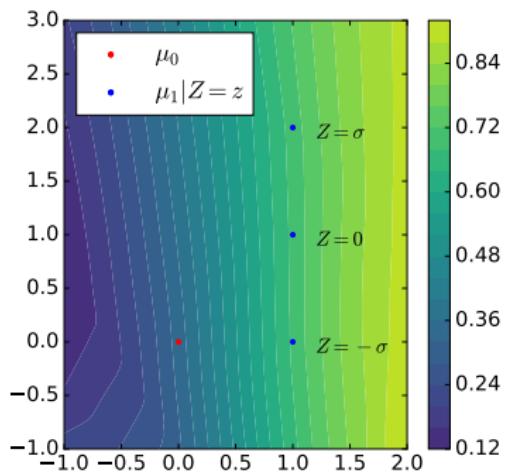
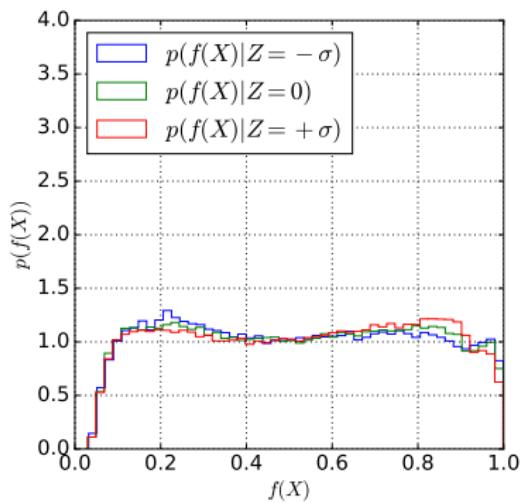
## Toy example (without adversarial training)



(Left) The conditional probability distributions  
of  $f(X; \theta_f)|Z = z$  changes with  $z$ .

(Right) The decision surface strongly depends on  $X_2$ .

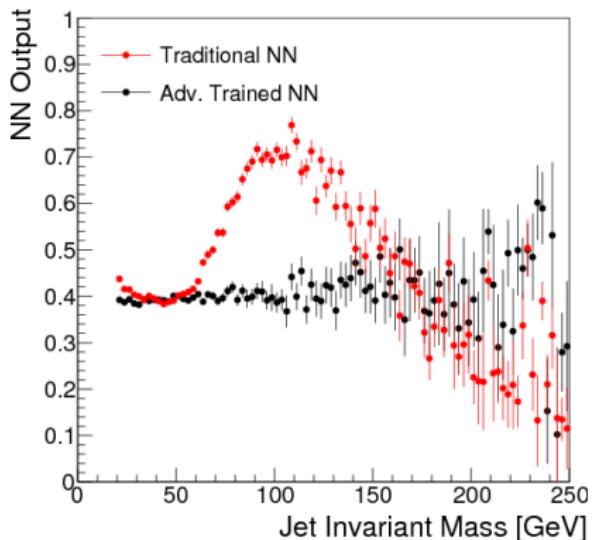
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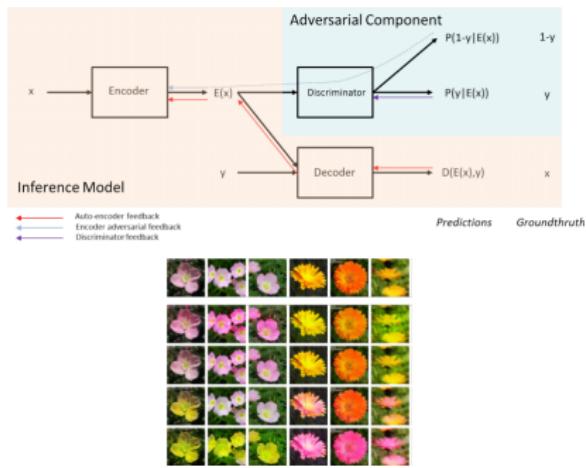
(Left) The conditional probability distributions of  $f(X; \theta_f)|Z = z$  are now (almost) invariant with  $z$ !

(Right) The decision surface is now independent of  $X_2$ .

# Applications

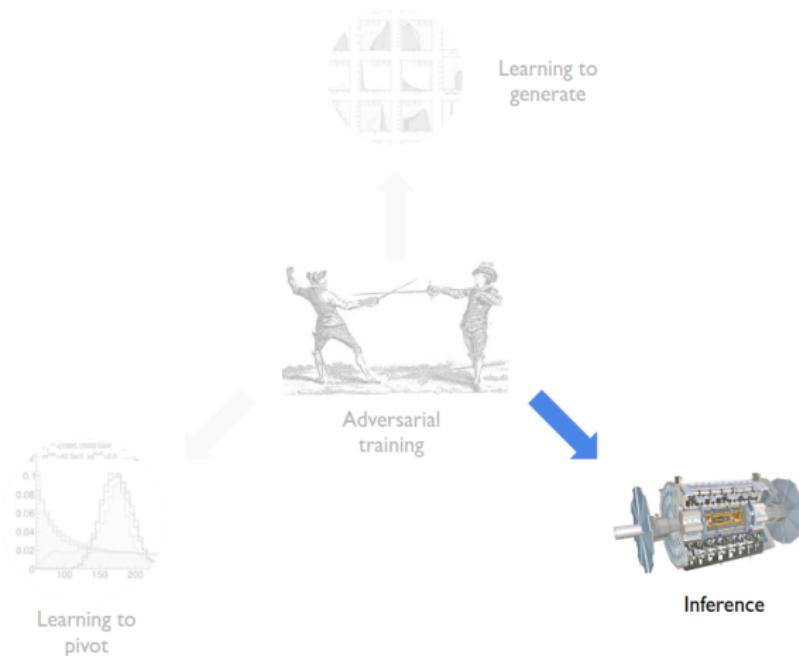


Decorrelated Jet Substructure Tagging  
using Adversarial Neural Networks

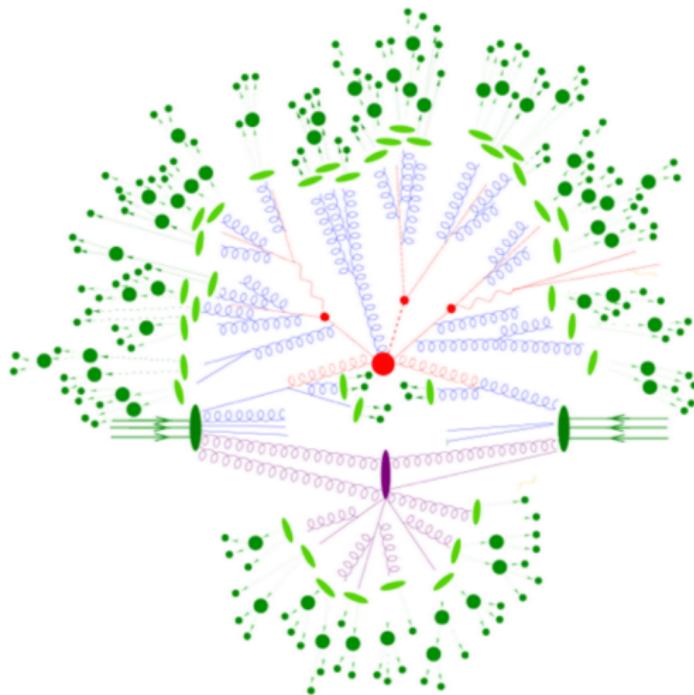


Fader networks

# III. Adversarial Variational Optimization



# Microscopic picture

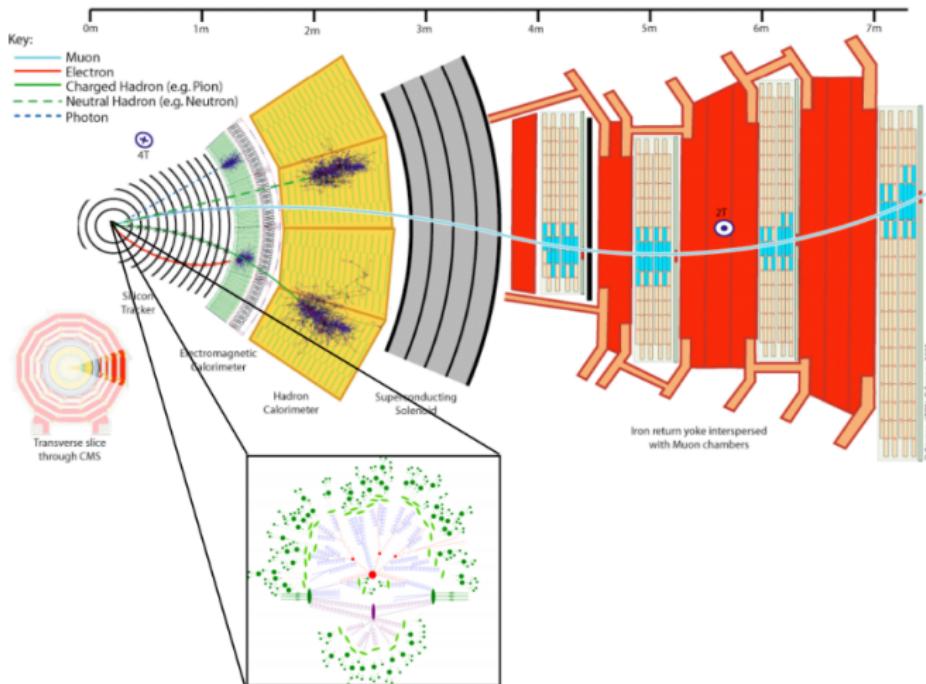


Pencil and paper  
calculable from first  
principles.

Controlled approximation  
of first principles.

Phenomenological model.

# Macroscopic picture



Simulate interactions of outgoing particles with the detector.

## Likelihood-free assumptions

Operationally,

$$\mathbf{x} \sim p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{z} \sim p(\mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\theta}), \mathbf{x} = g(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

where

- $\mathbf{z}$  provides a source of randomness;
- $g$  is a non-differentiable deterministic function (e.g. a computer program).

Accordingly, the density  $p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$  can be written as

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \int_{\{\mathbf{z}:g(\mathbf{z};\boldsymbol{\theta})=\mathbf{x}\}} p(\mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{z}$$

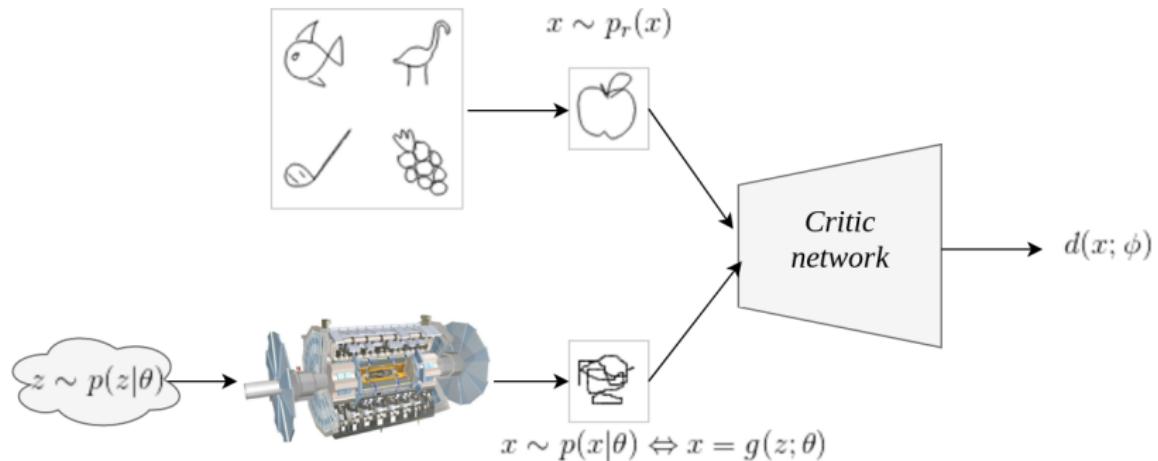
Evaluating the integral is often **intractable**.

## Inference

Given observations  $\mathbf{x} \sim p_r(\mathbf{x})$ , we seek:

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^* = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \rho(p_r(\mathbf{x}), p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}))$$

# Adversarial game

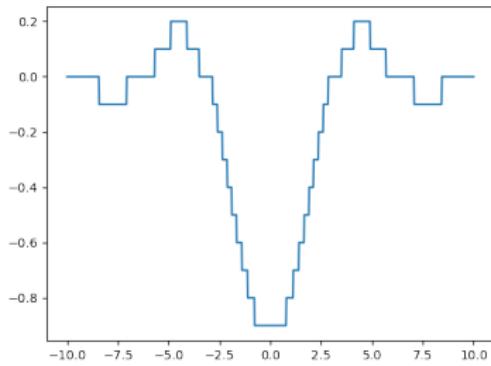


Replace  $g$  with an actual scientific simulator!

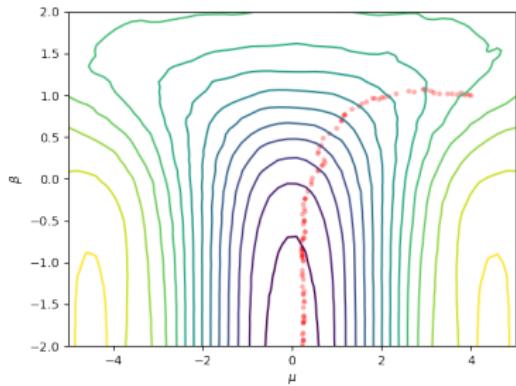
# Variational Optimization

$$\min_{\theta} f(\theta) \leq \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim q(\theta|\psi)} [f(\theta)] = U(\psi)$$

$$\nabla_{\psi} U(\psi) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim q(\theta|\psi)} [f(\theta) \nabla_{\psi} \log q(\theta|\psi)]$$



Piecewise constant  $-\frac{\sin(x)}{x}$



$q(\theta|\psi = (\mu, \beta)) = \mathcal{N}(\mu, e^\beta)$

(Similar to REINFORCE gradient estimates)

# Adversarial Variational Optimization

- Replace the generative network with a non-differentiable forward simulator  $g(\mathbf{z}; \theta)$ .
- With VO, optimize upper bounds of the adversarial objectives:

$$U_d = \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim q(\theta|\psi)} [\mathcal{L}_d] \quad (1)$$

$$U_g = \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim q(\theta|\psi)} [\mathcal{L}_g] \quad (2)$$

respectively over  $\phi$  and  $\psi$ .

Operationally,

$$\mathbf{x} \sim q(\mathbf{x}|\psi) \Leftrightarrow \boldsymbol{\theta} \sim q(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\psi), \mathbf{z} \sim p(\mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\theta}), \mathbf{x} = g(\mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

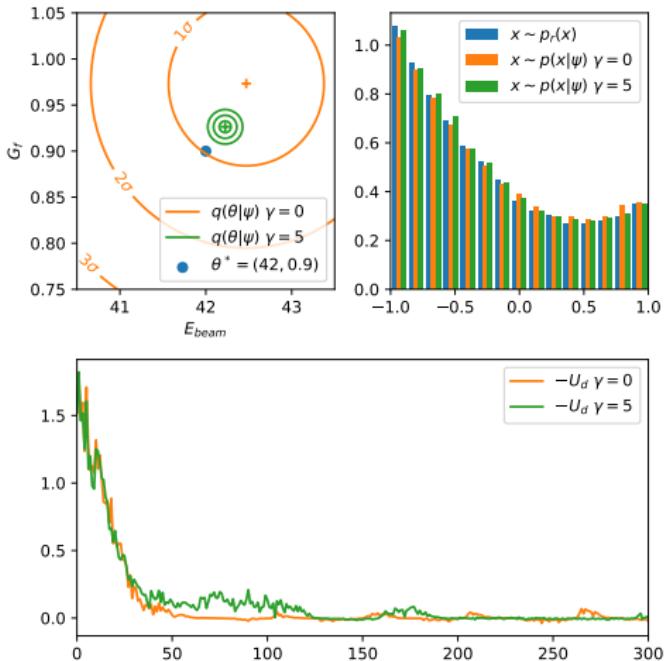
Therefore,  $q(\mathbf{x}|\psi)$  is the marginal  $\int p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})q(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\psi)d\boldsymbol{\theta}$ .

- If  $p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$  is misspecified,  $q(\mathbf{x}|\psi)$  will attempt to smear the simulator to approach  $p_r(\mathbf{x})$ .
- If not,  $q(\mathbf{x}|\psi)$  will concentrate its mass around the true data-generating parameters.
  - Entropic regularization can further be used to enforce that.

# Preliminary results

Simplified simulator for electron–positron collisions resulting in muon–antimuon pairs.

- Parameters:  $E_{\text{beam}}$ ,  $G_f$ .
- Observations:  
 $x = \cos(A) \in [-1, 1]$ ,  
where  $A$  is the polar angle  
of the outgoing muon wrt  
incoming electron.



## Ongoing work

- Benchmark against alternative methods (e.g., ABC).
- Scale to a full scientific simulator.
- Control variance of the gradient estimates.

# Summary



- Adversarial training = indirectly specifying complicated loss functions.
  - For generation
  - For enforcing constraints
- Directly useful in domain sciences, such as particle physics.

# Questions?

Joint work with

