

Exploring The (Metric) Space of Collider Events

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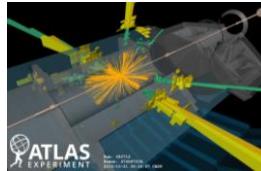
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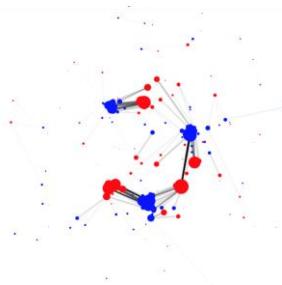
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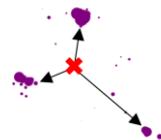
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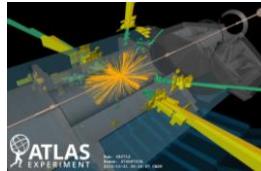


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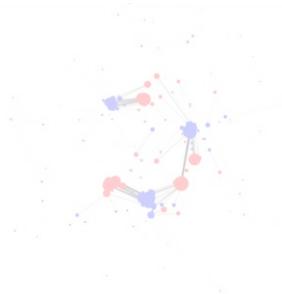


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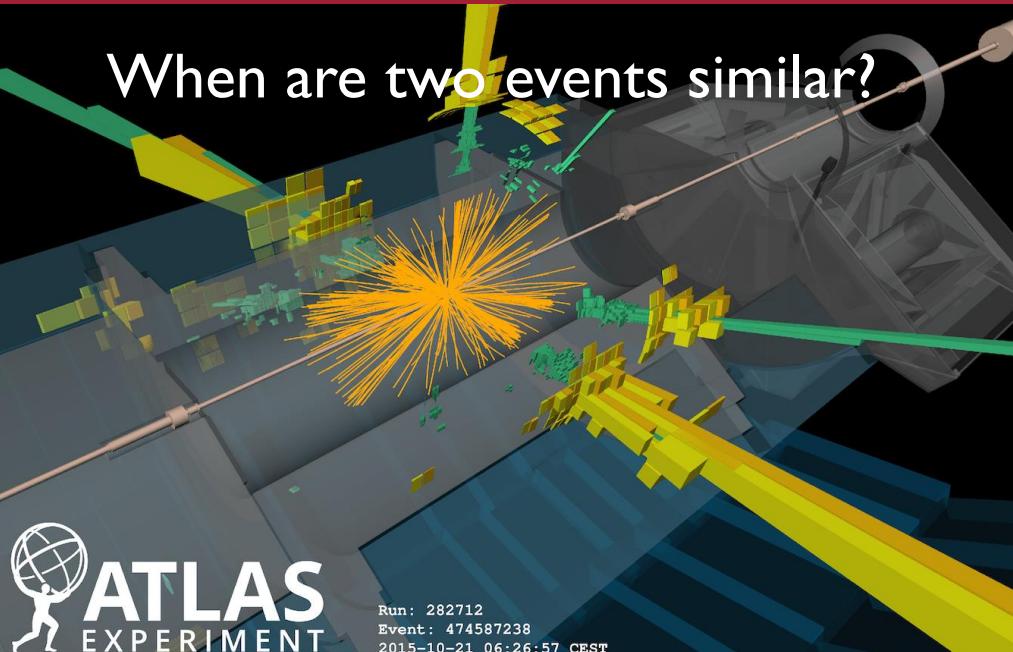


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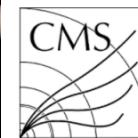


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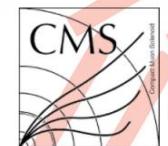
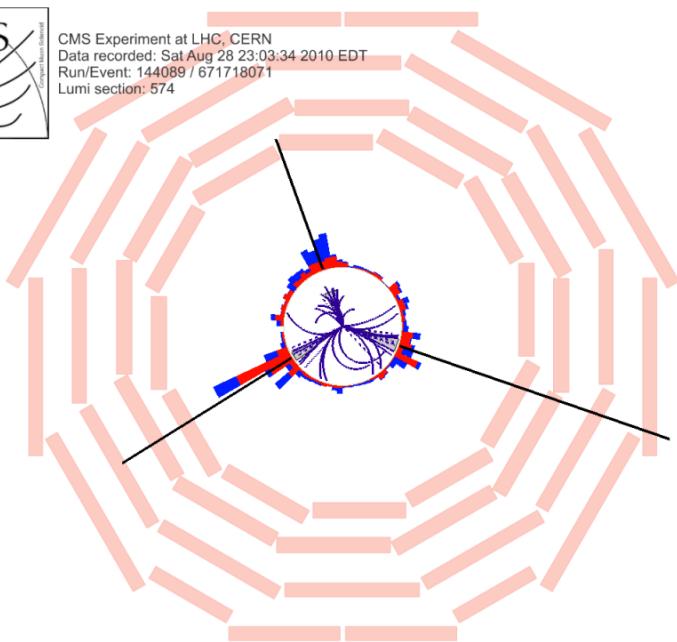
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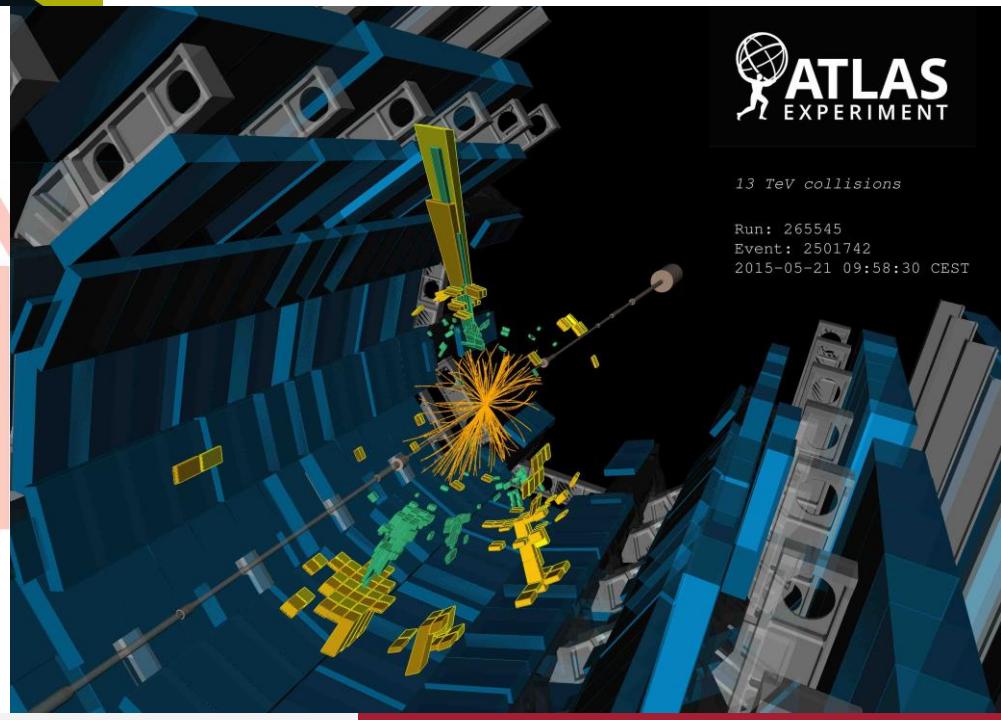
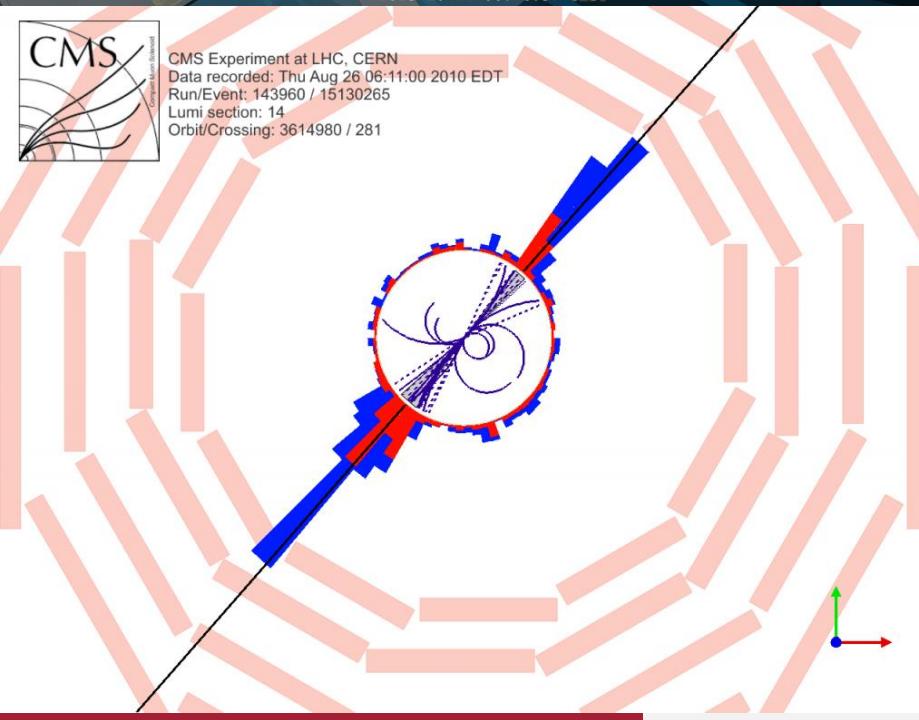
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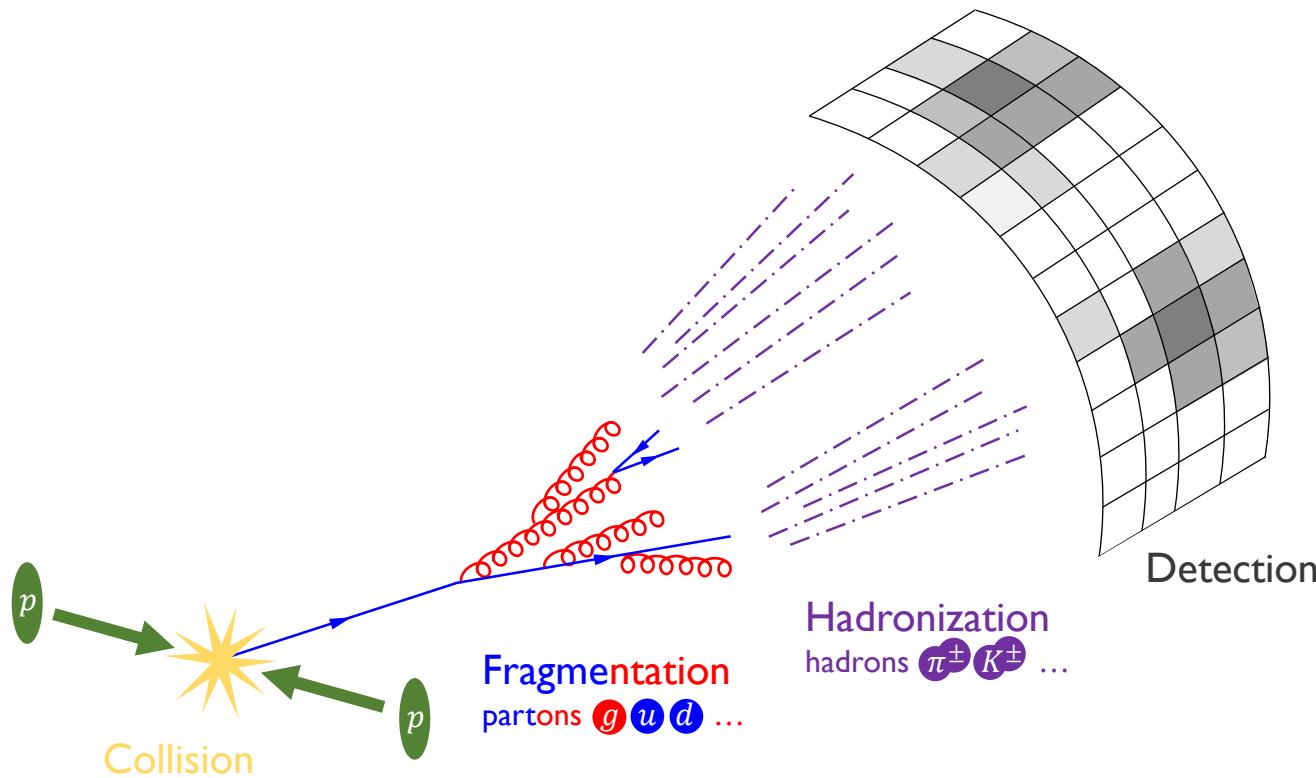
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13 TeV collisions
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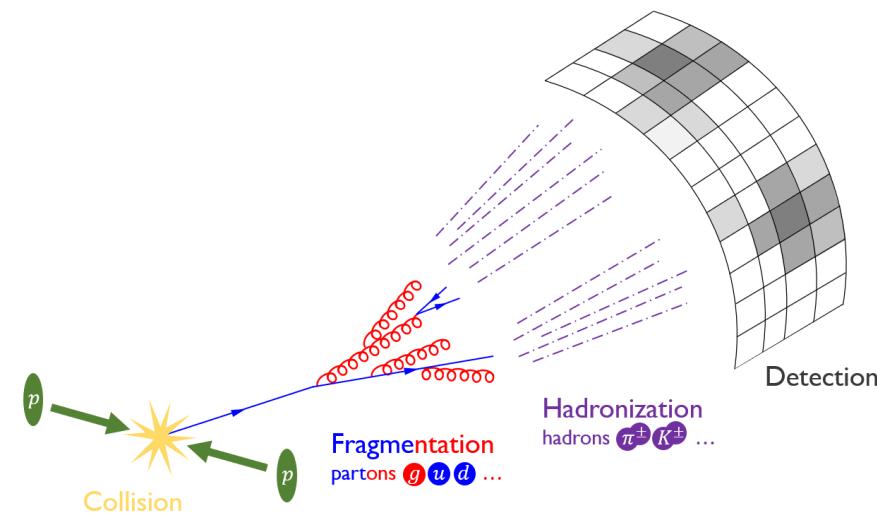
How an event gets its shape



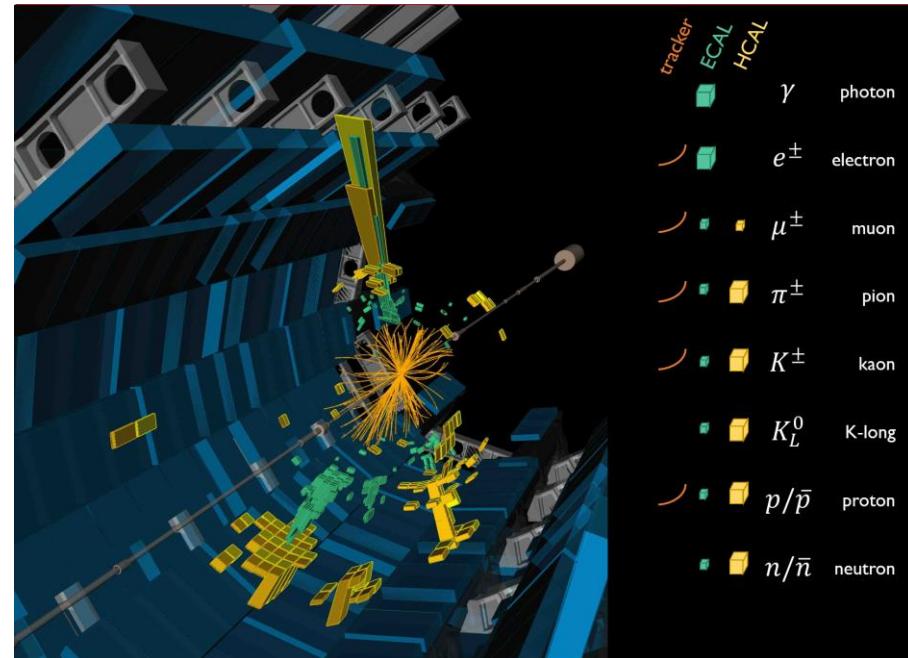
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A *collider event* is...

Theoretically: very complicated



Experimentally: very complicated



However:

The *energy flow* (distribution of energy) is the information that is robust to:
fragmentation, hadronization, detector effects, ...

[\[N.A. Sveshnikov, F.V. Tkachov, 9512370\]](#)

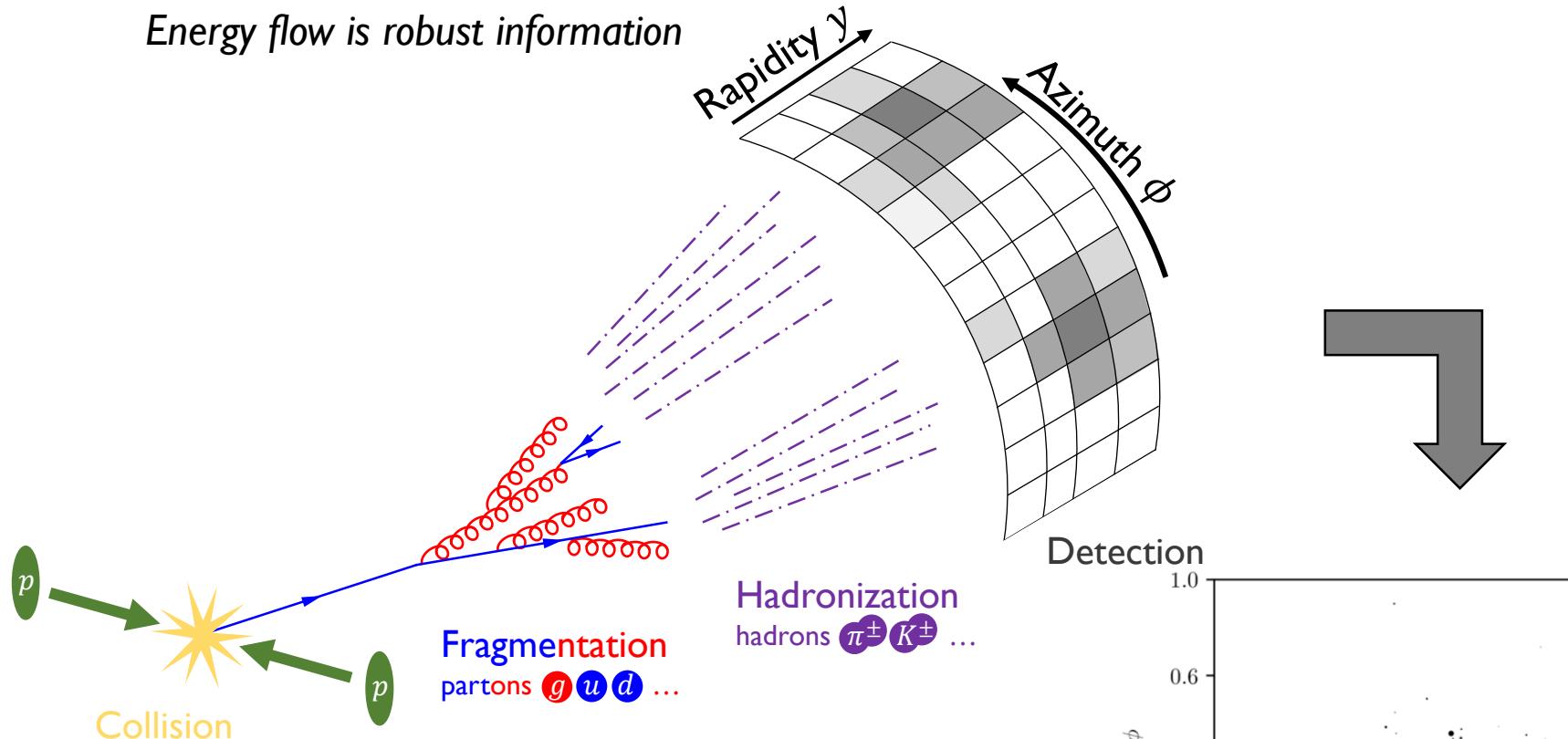
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Energy flow \Leftrightarrow Infrared and Collinear (IRC) Safe information

When are two collider events similar?

Energy flow is robust information

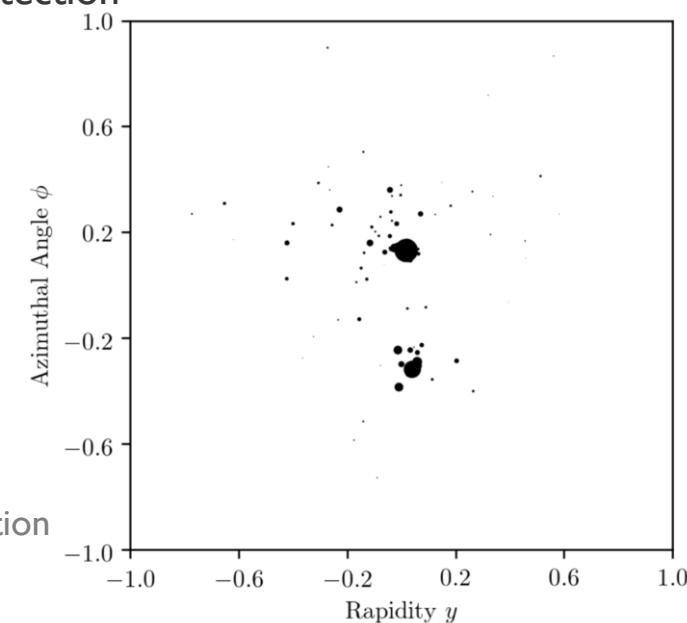


Treat events as distributions of energy:

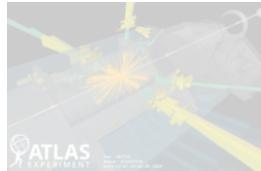
Ignoring particle flavor, charge...

$$\sum_{i=1}^M E_i \delta(\hat{n} - \hat{p}_i)$$

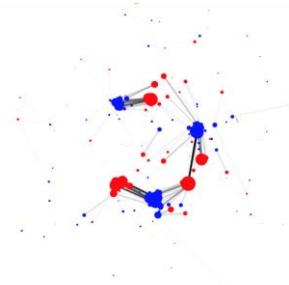
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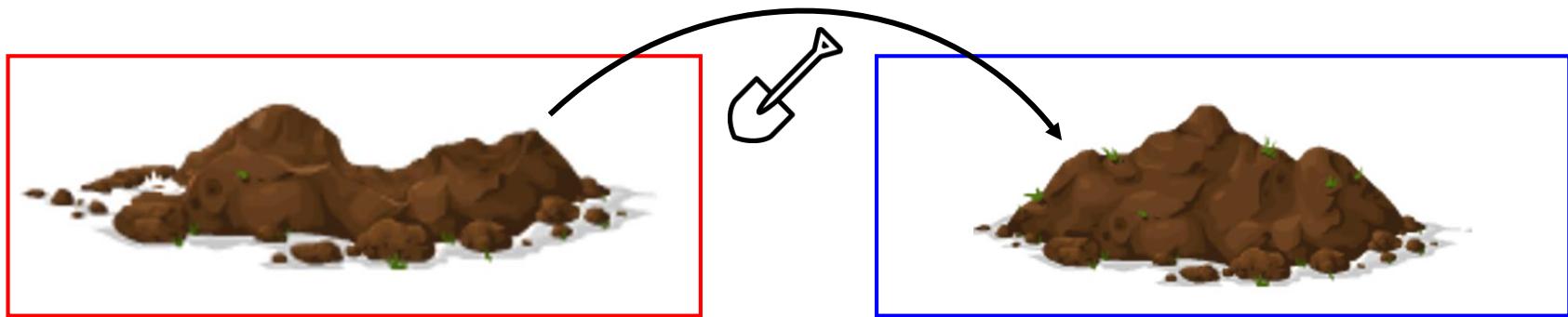
The Energy Mover's Distance

Review: *The Earth Mover's Distance*

Earth Mover's Distance: the minimum “work” ($\text{stuff} \times \text{distance}$) to rearrange one pile of dirt into another

[S. Peleg, M. Werman, H. Rom]

[Y. Rubner, C. Tomasi, and L.J. Guibas]



Metric on the space of (normalized) distributions: *symmetric, non-negative, triangle inequality*

Distributions are close in EMD \Leftrightarrow their expectation values are close.

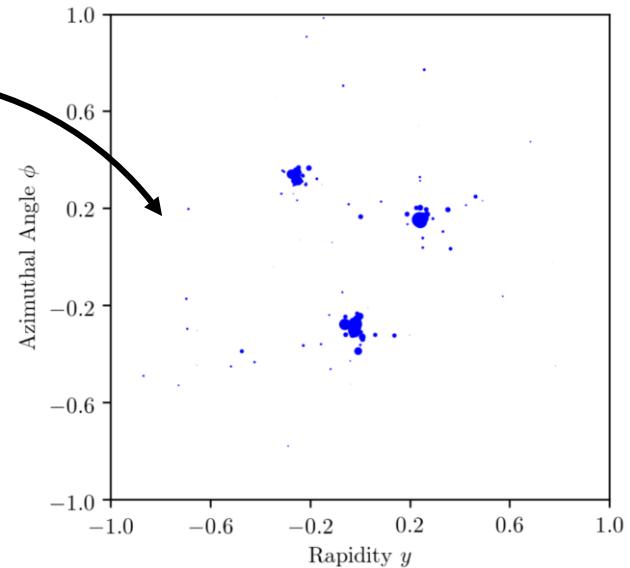
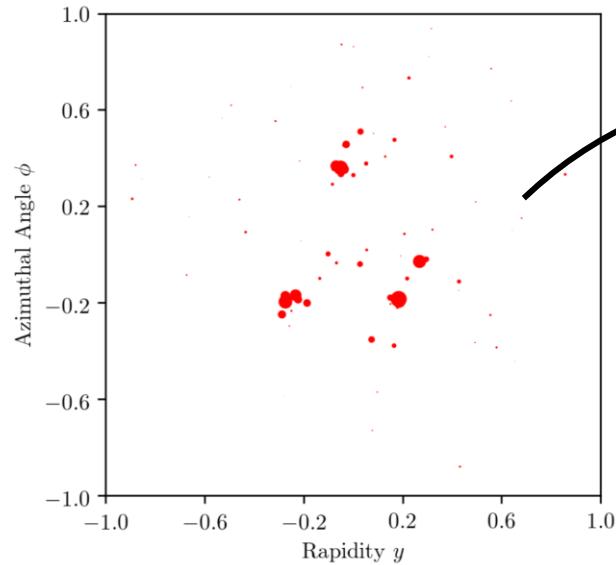
Also known as the 1-Wasserstein metric.

The Energy Mover's Distance

From Earth to Energy

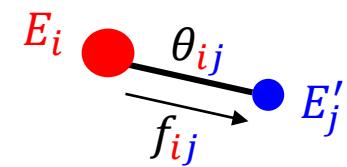
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[P.T. Komiske, EMM, J. Thaler, 1902.02346]



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Difference in
radiation pattern

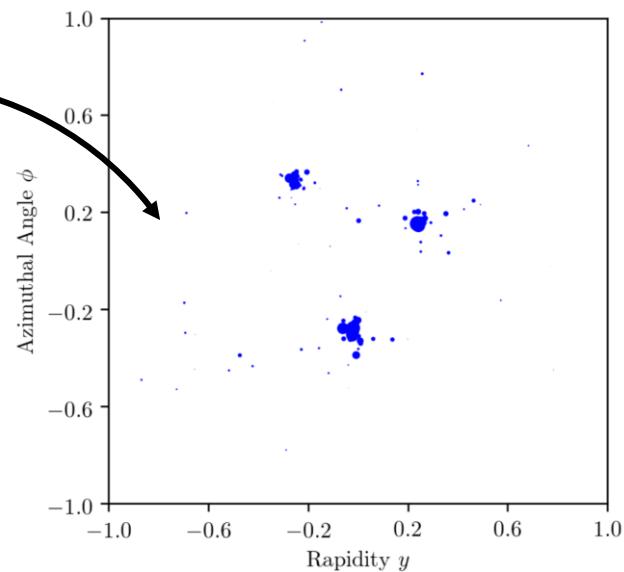
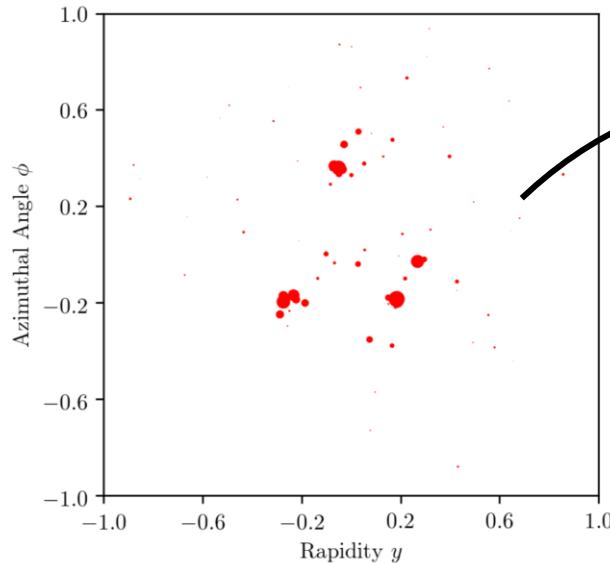


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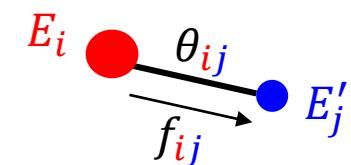
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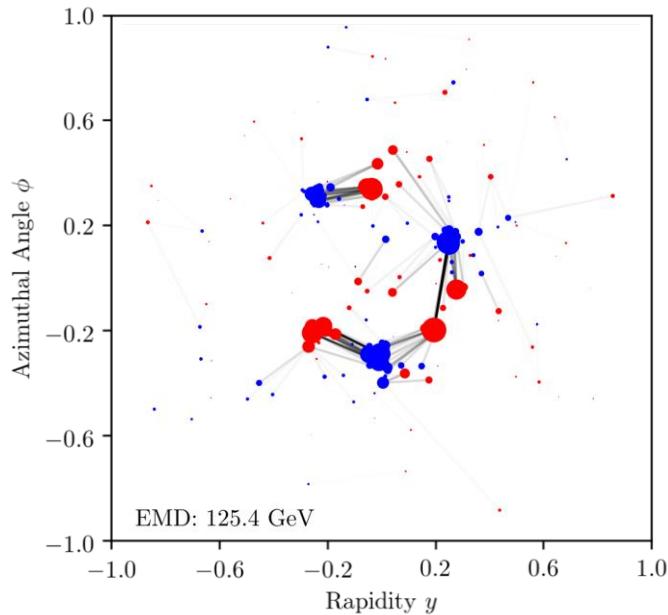


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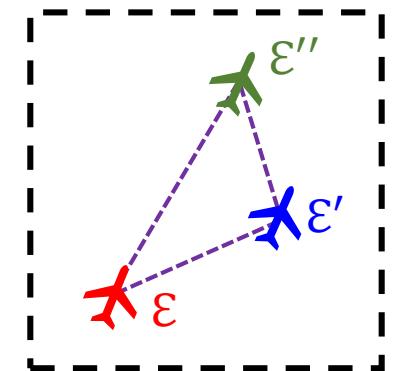
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EMD has dimensions of energy

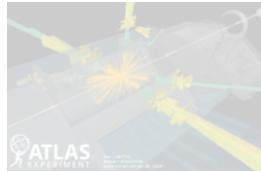
True metric as long as $R \geq \frac{1}{2} \theta_{\max}$
 $R \geq$ the jet radius, for conical jets

Solvable via Optimal Transport problem.

~1ms to compute EMD for two jets with 100 particles.



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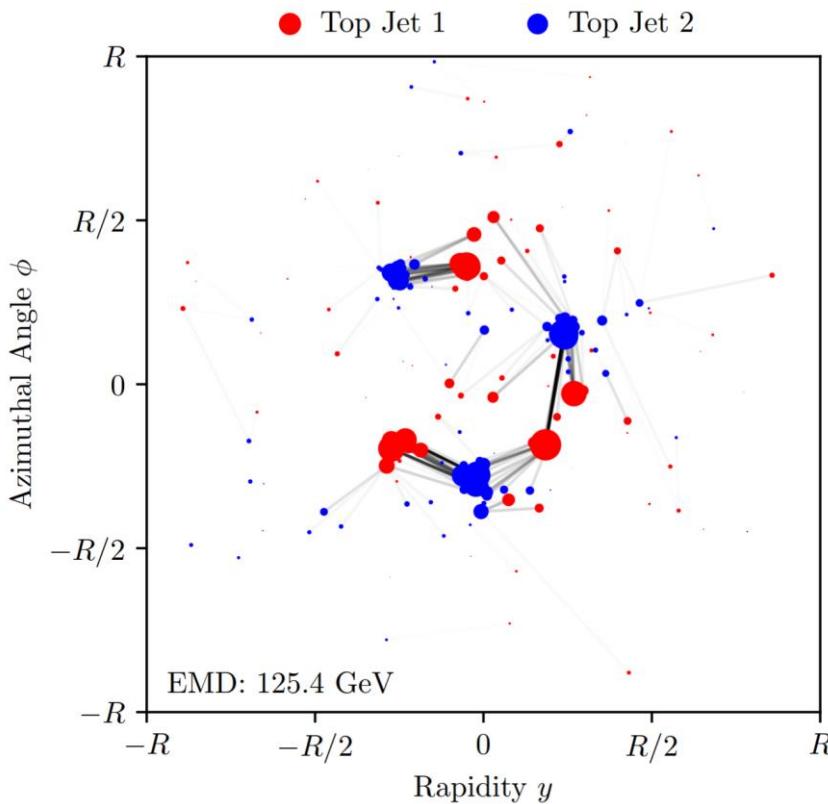
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Movie Time: Visualizing the EMD

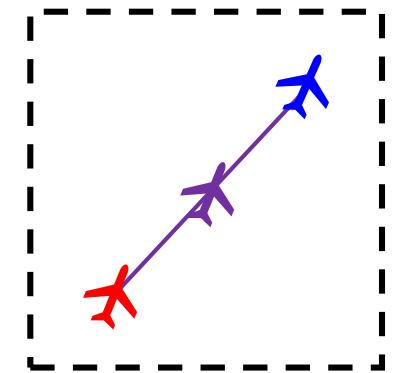
Taking a walk in the space of events



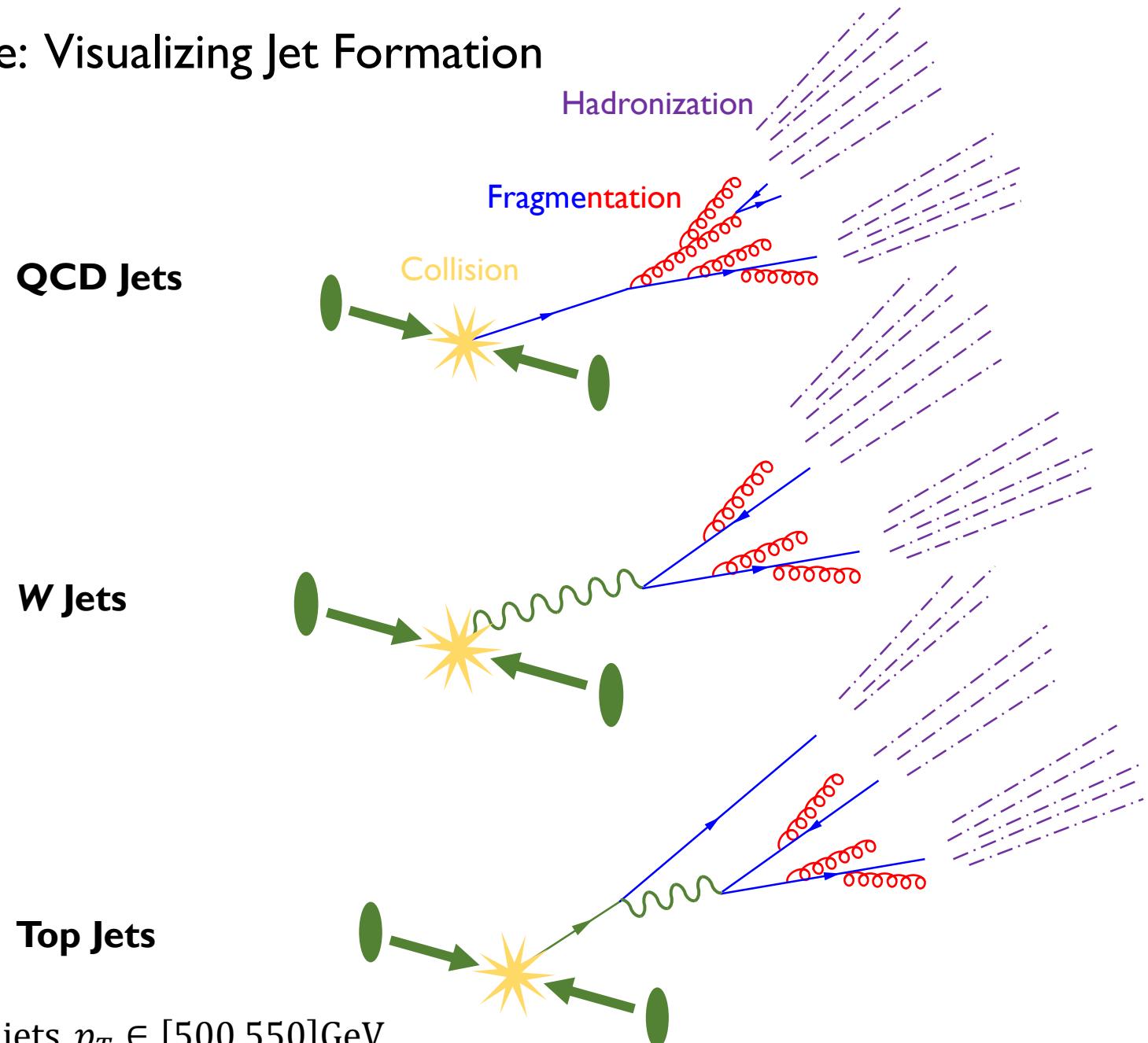
EMD is the cost of an optimal transport problem.

We also get the *shortest path* between the events.

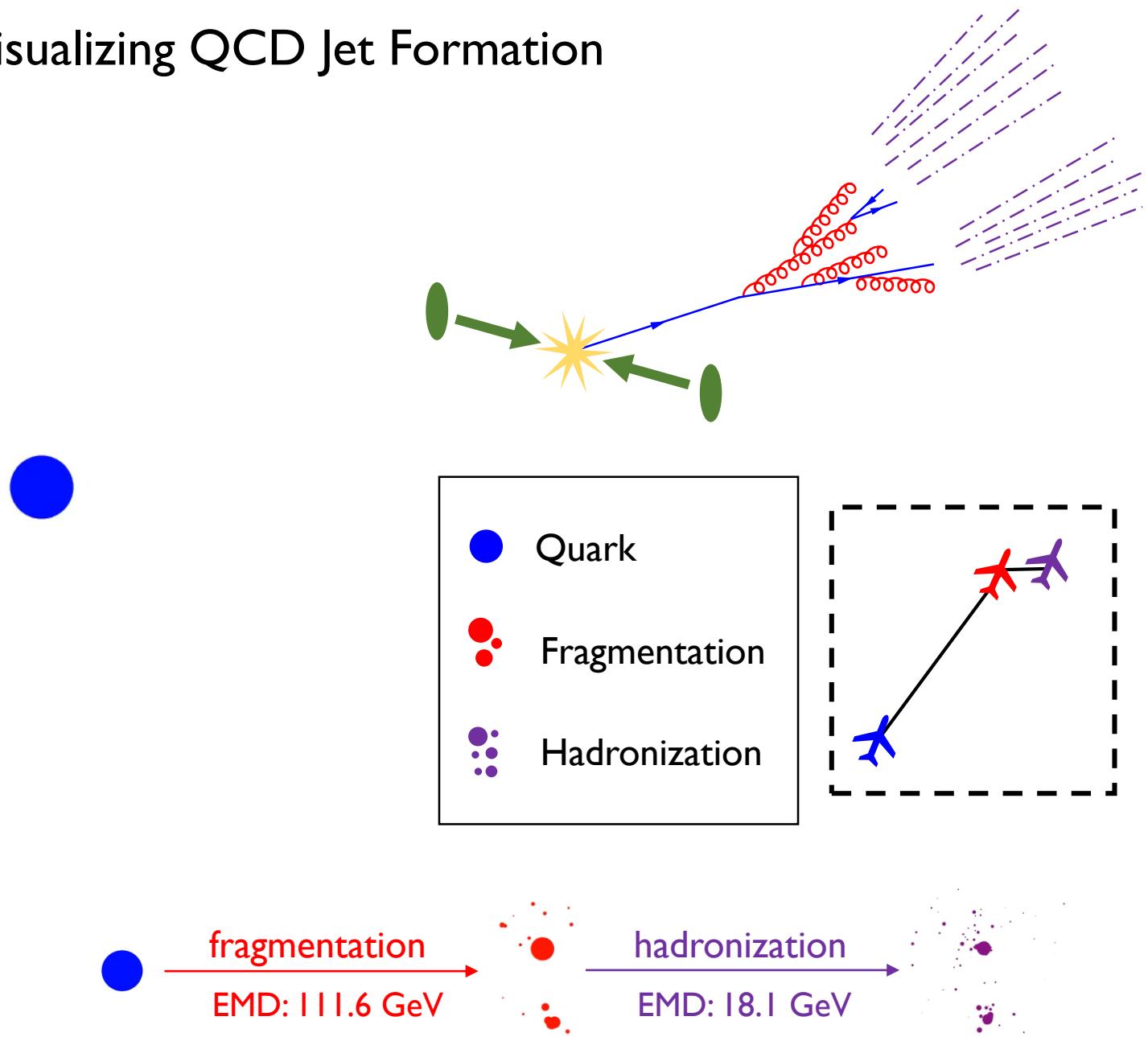
Interpolate along path to visualize!



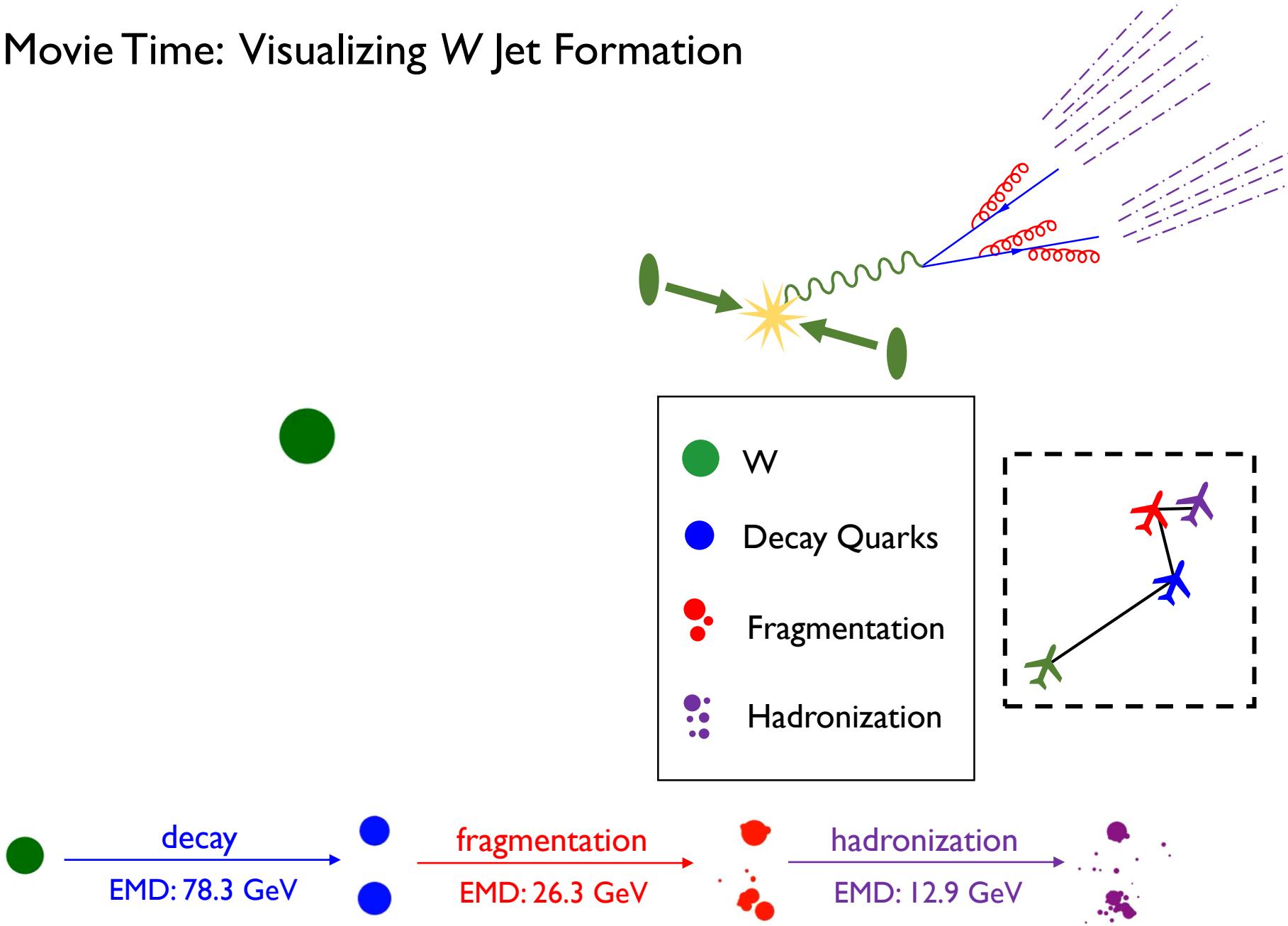
Movie Time: Visualizing Jet Formation



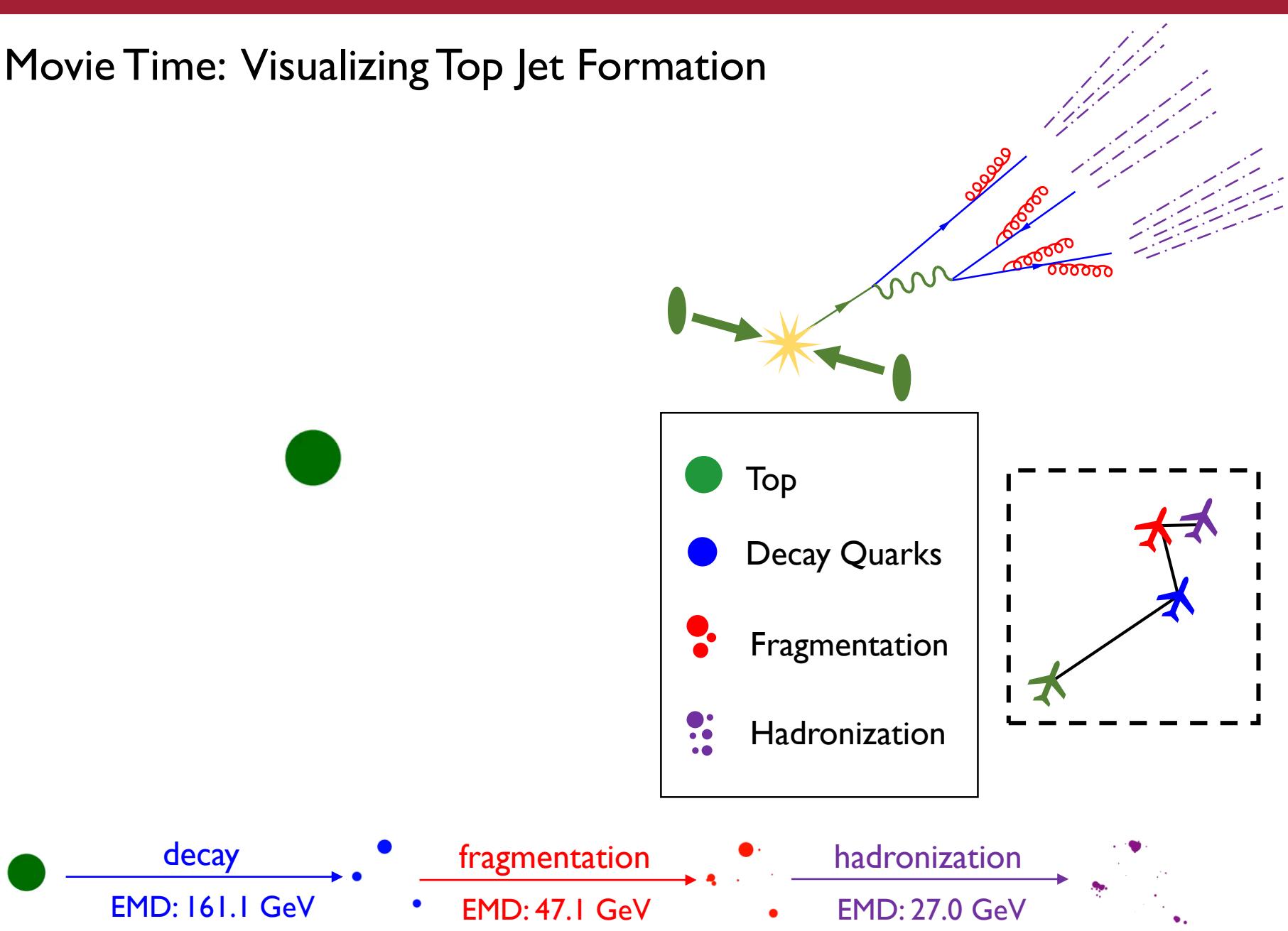
Movie Time: Visualizing QCD Jet Formation



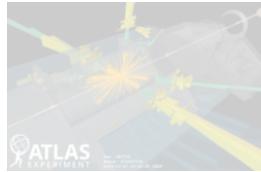
Movie Time: Visualizing W Jet Formation



Movie Time: Visualizing Top Jet Formation



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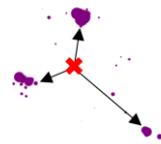
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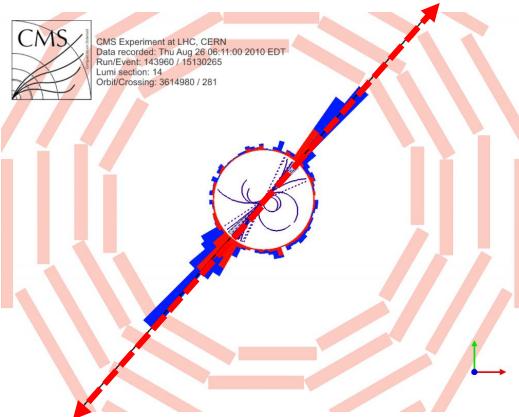


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Old Observables in a New Language

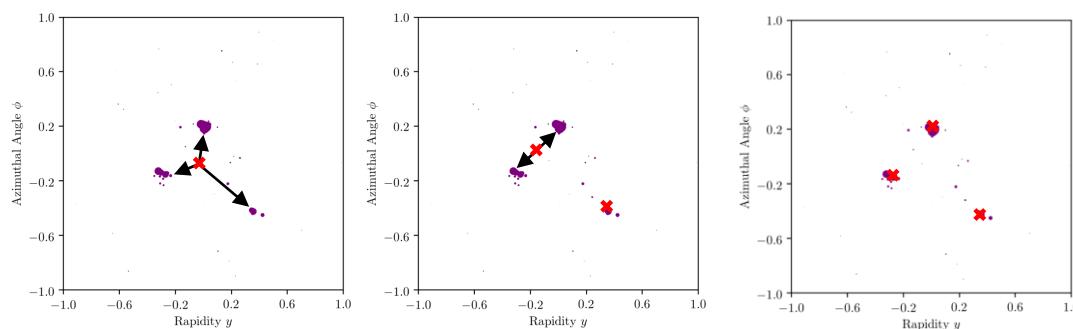
Thrust is the EMD between the event and two back-to-back particles.

$$t = E - \max_{\hat{n}} \sum_i |\vec{p}_i \cdot \hat{n}| \longrightarrow t(\mathcal{E}) = \min_{|\mathcal{E}'|=2} \text{EMD}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}') \quad \text{with } \theta_{ij} = \hat{p}_i \cdot \hat{p}_j, \hat{p} = \vec{p}/E$$

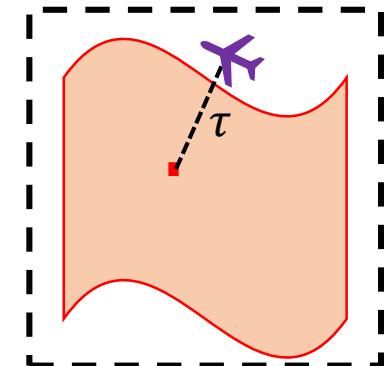


N -(sub)jettiness is the EMD between the event and the closest N -particle event.

$$\tau_N^{(\beta)} = \min_{N \text{ axes}} \sum_{i=1}^M E_i \min_k \{\theta_{1,k}^\beta, \theta_{2,k}^\beta, \dots, \theta_{N,k}^\beta\} \longrightarrow \tau_N(\mathcal{E}) = \min_{|\mathcal{E}'|=N} \text{EMD}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}').$$



$\beta \neq 1$ is p-Wasserstein distance with $p = \beta$.



EMD and IRC-Safe Observables

Events close in EMD are close in any infrared and collinear safe observable

Additive IRC-safe observables: $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{E}) = \sum_{i=1}^M \textcolor{red}{E}_i \Phi(\hat{p}_i)$

Earth Mover's Distance

$$\text{EMD}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}') \geq \frac{1}{RL} |\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{E}) - \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{E}')|$$

Difference in observable values

“Lipschitz constant” of Φ
i.e. bound on its derivative

e.g. jet angularities:

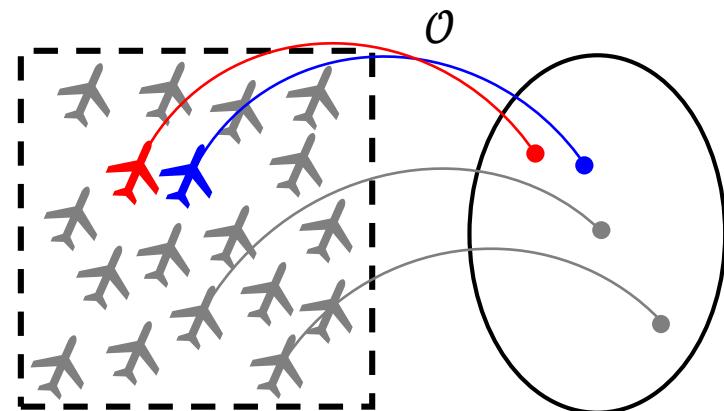
[C. Berger, T. Kucs, and G. Sterman, 030305I]

[A. Larkoski, J. Thaler, and W. Waalewijn, 1408.3122]

For $\beta \geq 1$ jet angularities:

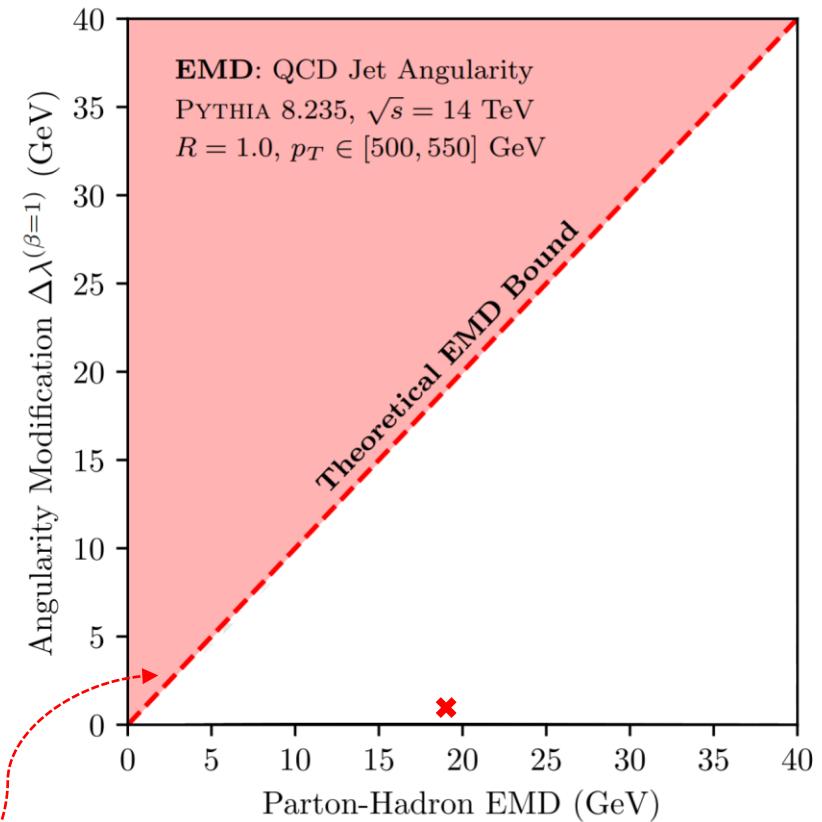
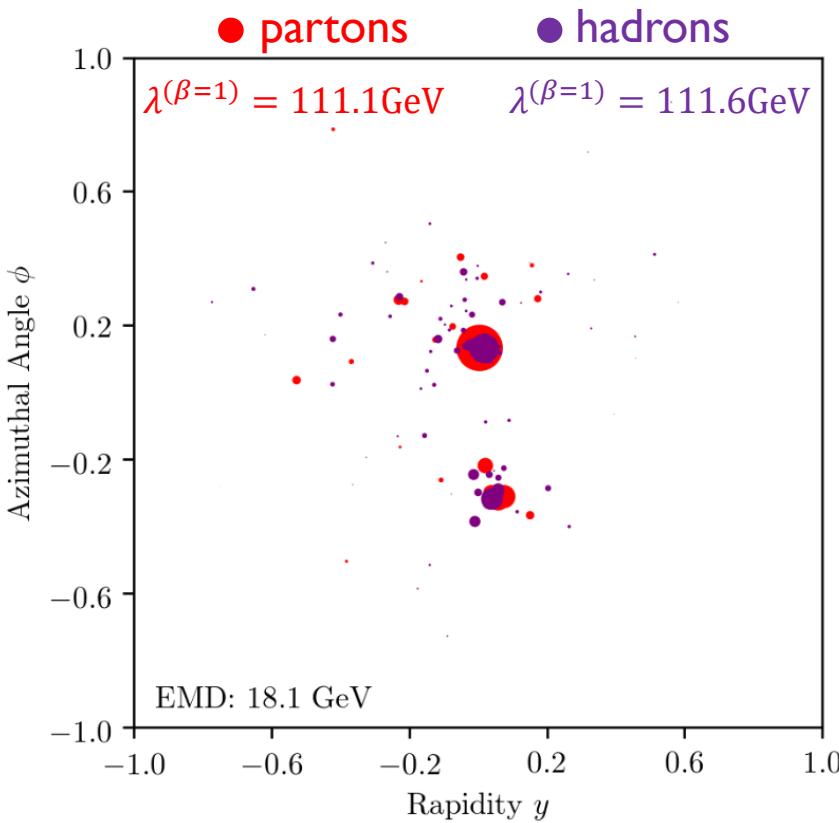
$$|\lambda^{(\beta)}(\mathcal{E}) - \lambda^{(\beta)}(\mathcal{E}')| \leq \beta \text{EMD}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}')$$

$$\lambda^{(\beta)} = \sum_{i=1}^M \textcolor{red}{E}_i \theta_i^\beta$$



Quantifying event modifications: Hadronization

$$\lambda^{(\beta=1)} = \sum_{i=1}^M E_i \theta_i$$



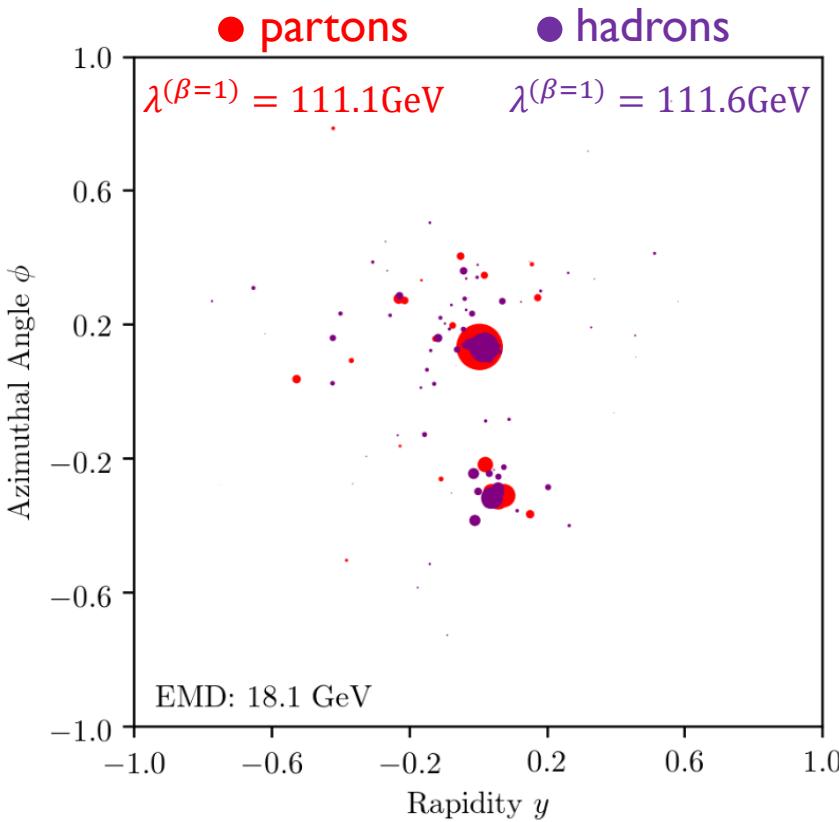
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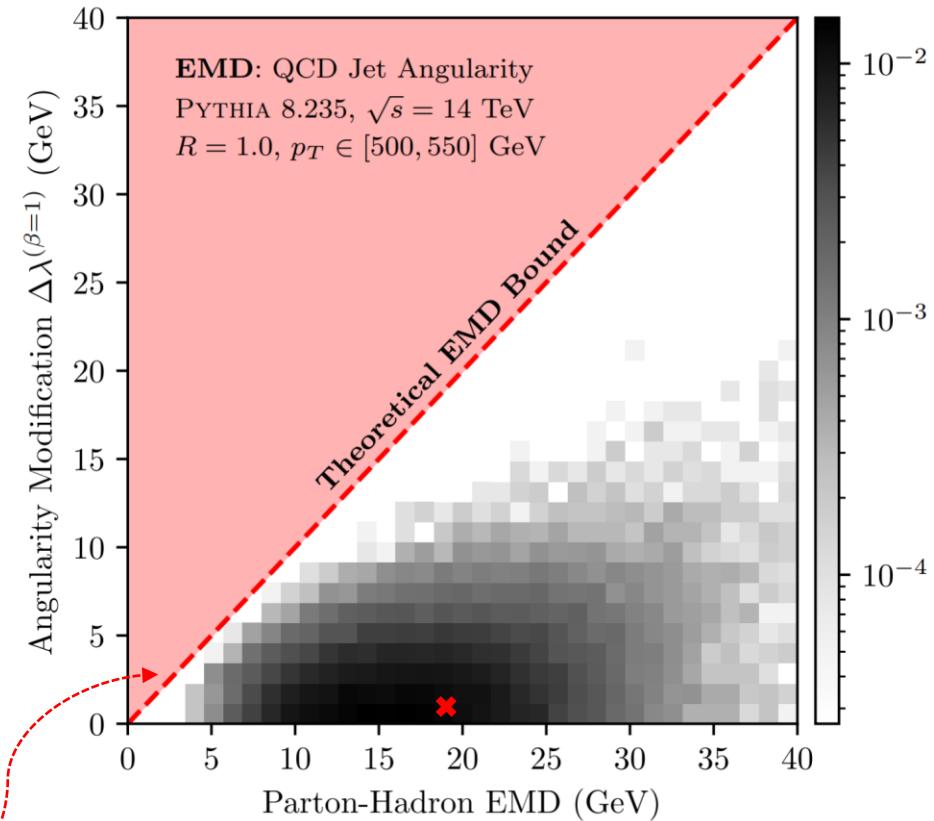
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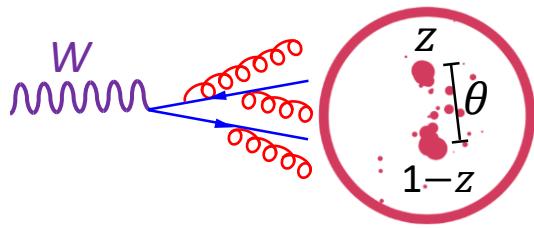


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Exploring the Space of Events: W jets



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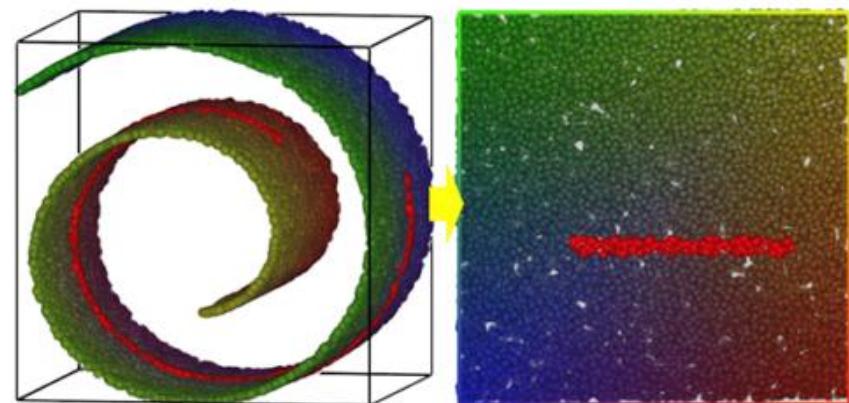
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After φ rotation,
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Visualize the space of events with t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding (t-SNE).

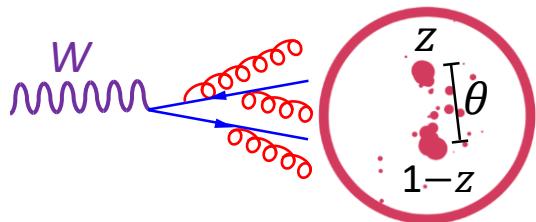
[L. van der Maaten, G. Hinton]

Finds an embedding into a low-dimensional manifold that respects distances.



Src: <http://web-ext.u-aizu.ac.jp/~shigeo/home.html>

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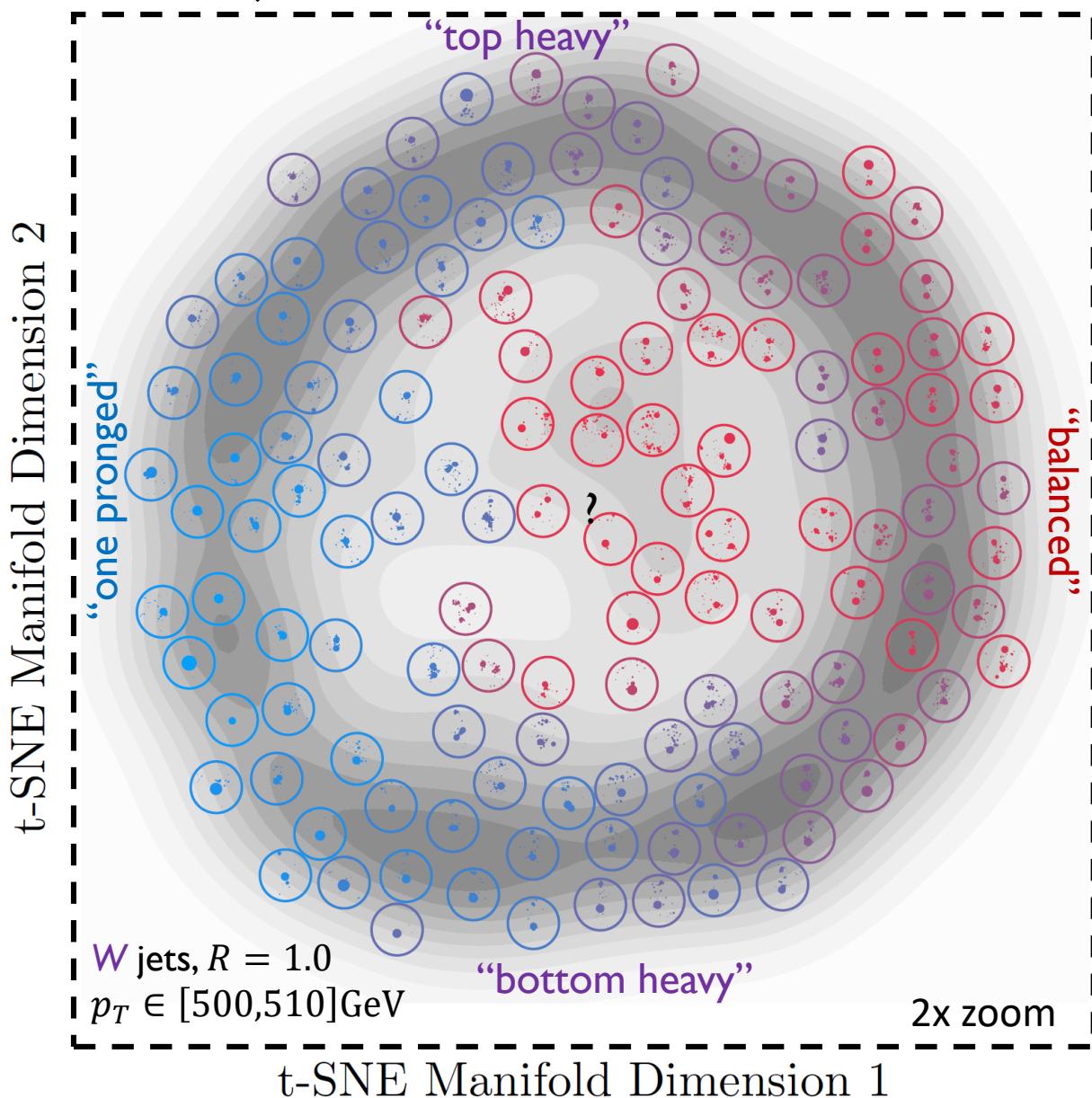


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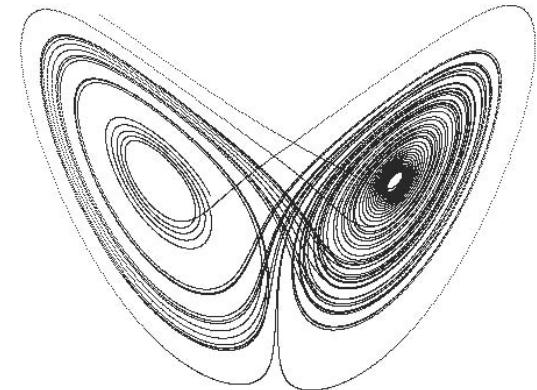
Characterization of Strange Attractors

Peter Grassberger^(a) and Itamar Procaccia

Chemical Physics Department, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot 76100, Israel

(Received 7 September 1982)

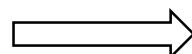
A new measure of strange attractors is introduced which offers a practical algorithm to determine their character from the time series of a single observable. The relation of this new measure to fractal dimension and information-theoretic entropy is discussed.



Intuition:

$$N_{\text{neighboring}}(r) \propto r^{\dim}$$

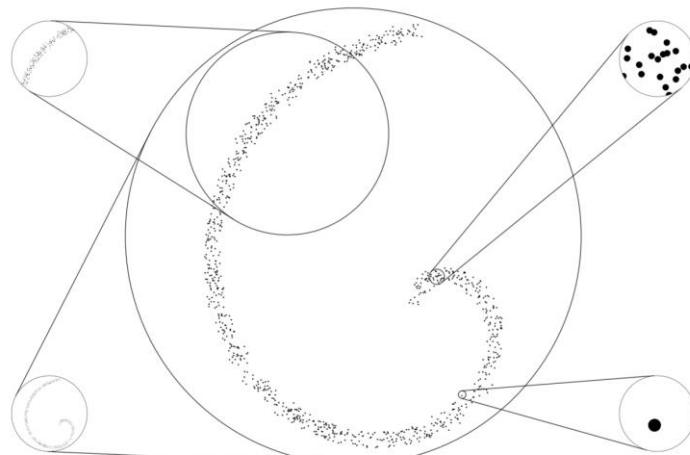
points



$$\dim(r) = r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \ln N_{\text{neighbors}}(r)$$

$\dim \approx 1$

$\dim \approx 2$



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(eventually 0)

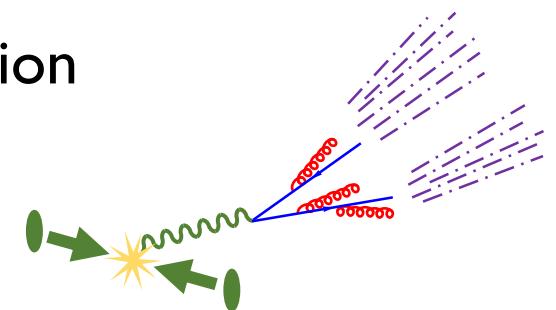
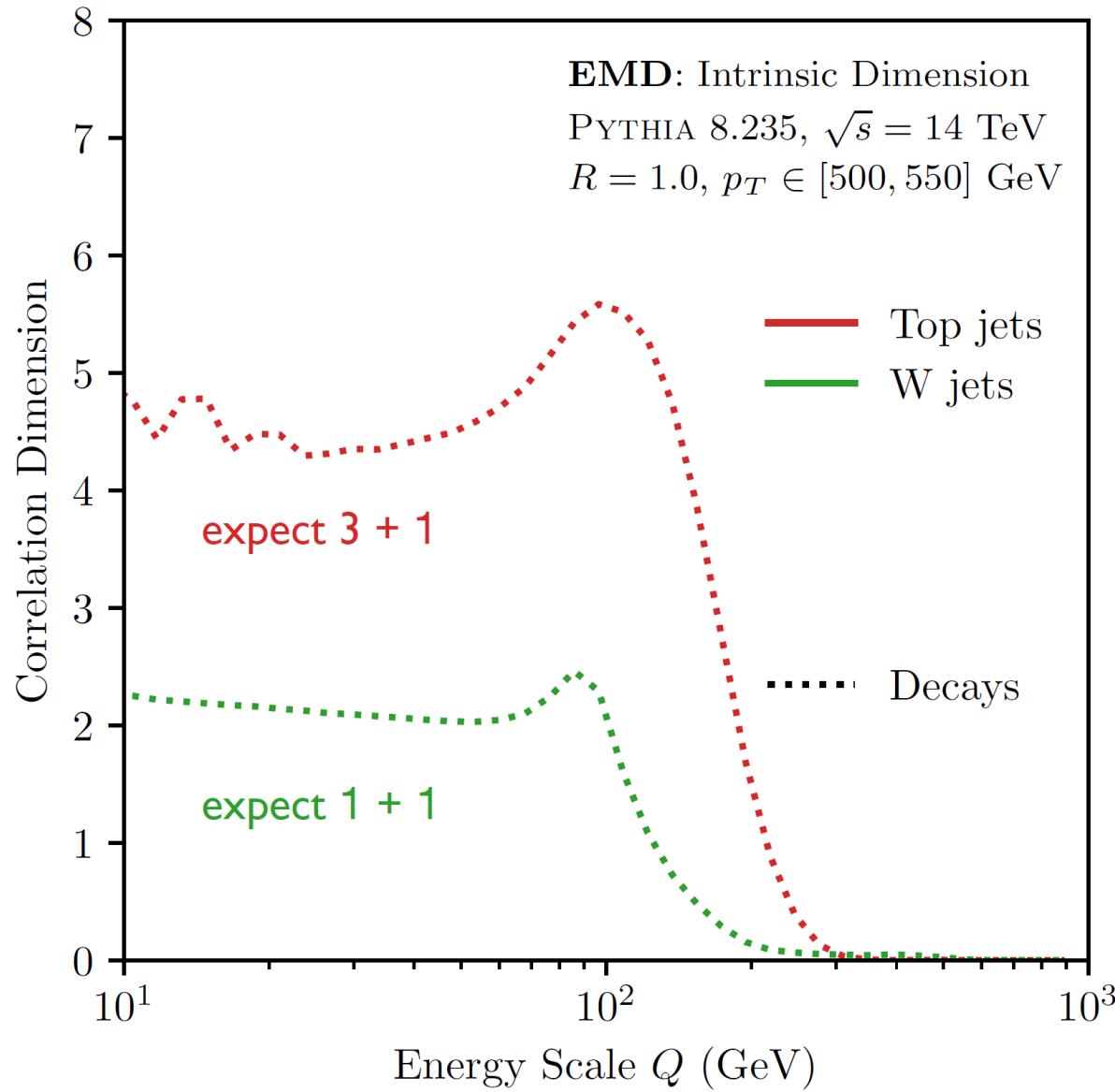
Correlation dimension:

$$\dim(Q) = Q \frac{\partial}{\partial Q} \ln \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \Theta[\text{EMD}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) < Q]$$

Energy scale Q
dependence

Count neighbors in
ball of radius Q

Exploring the Space of Jets: Correlation Dimension



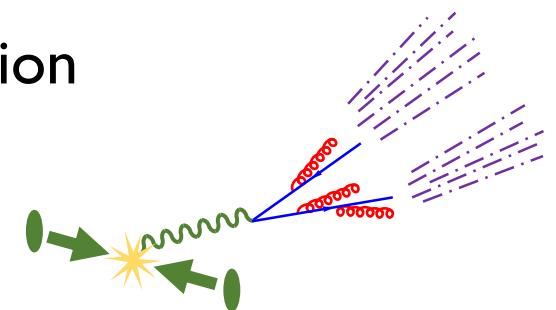
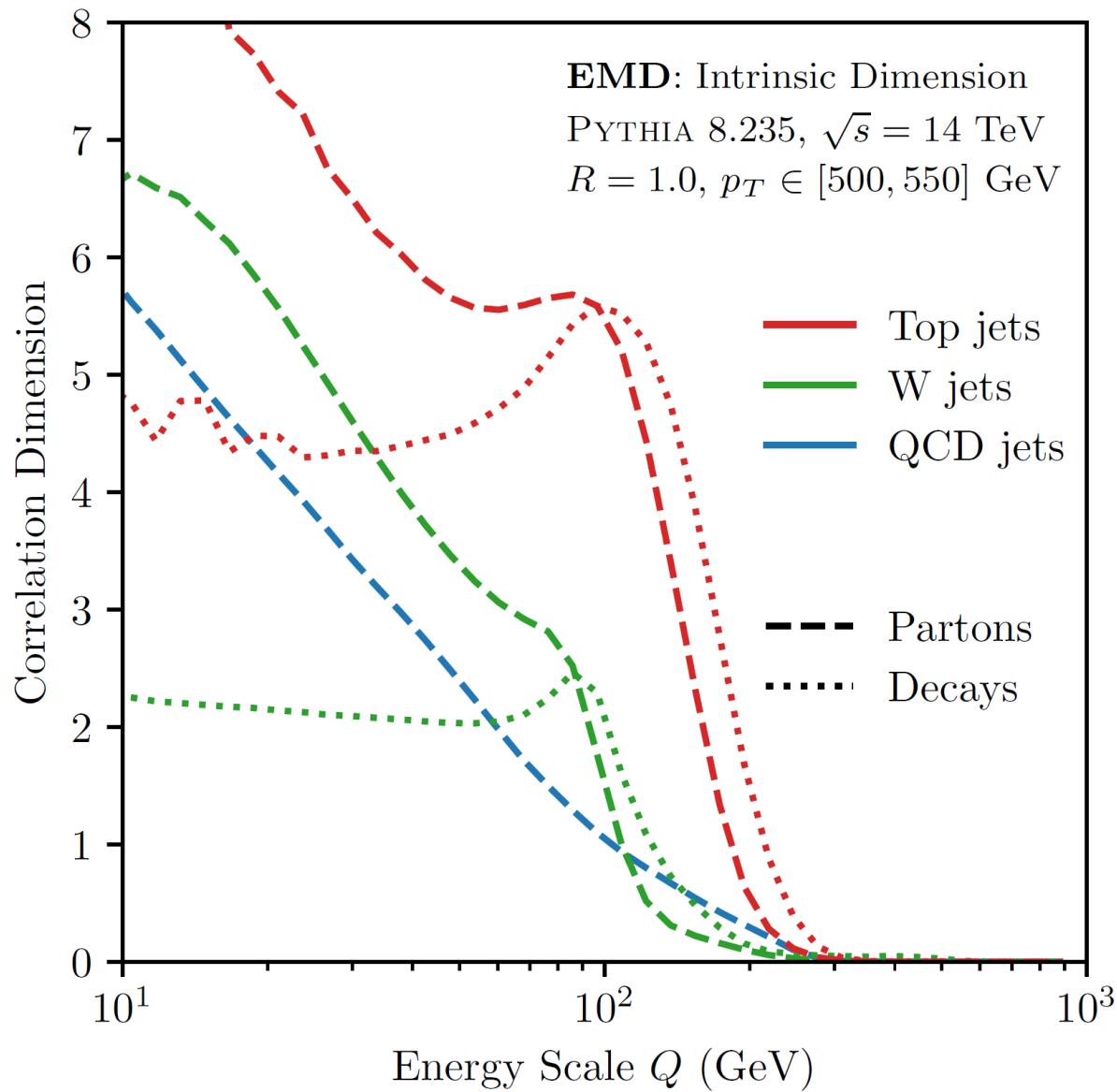
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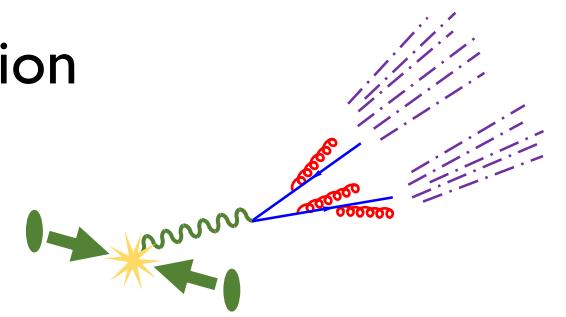
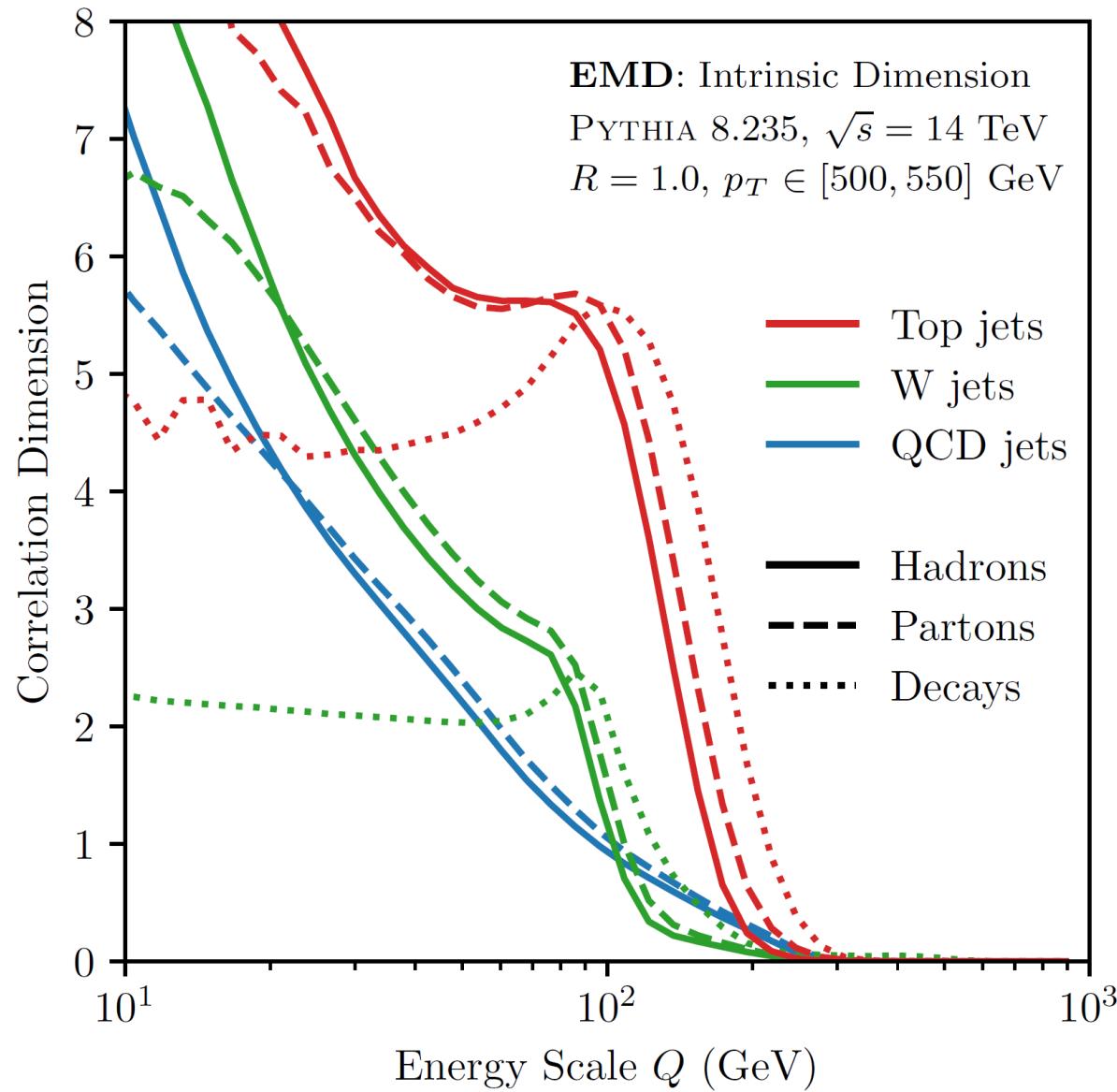
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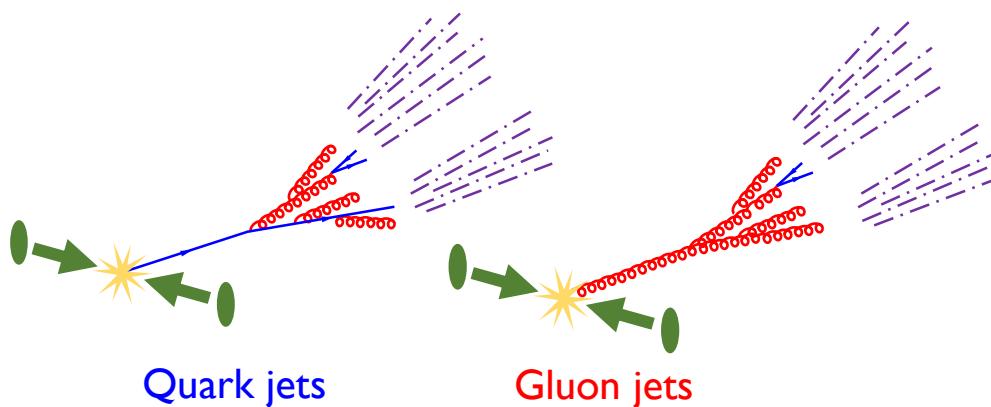
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Hadronization becomes relevant at scales around 20 GeV.

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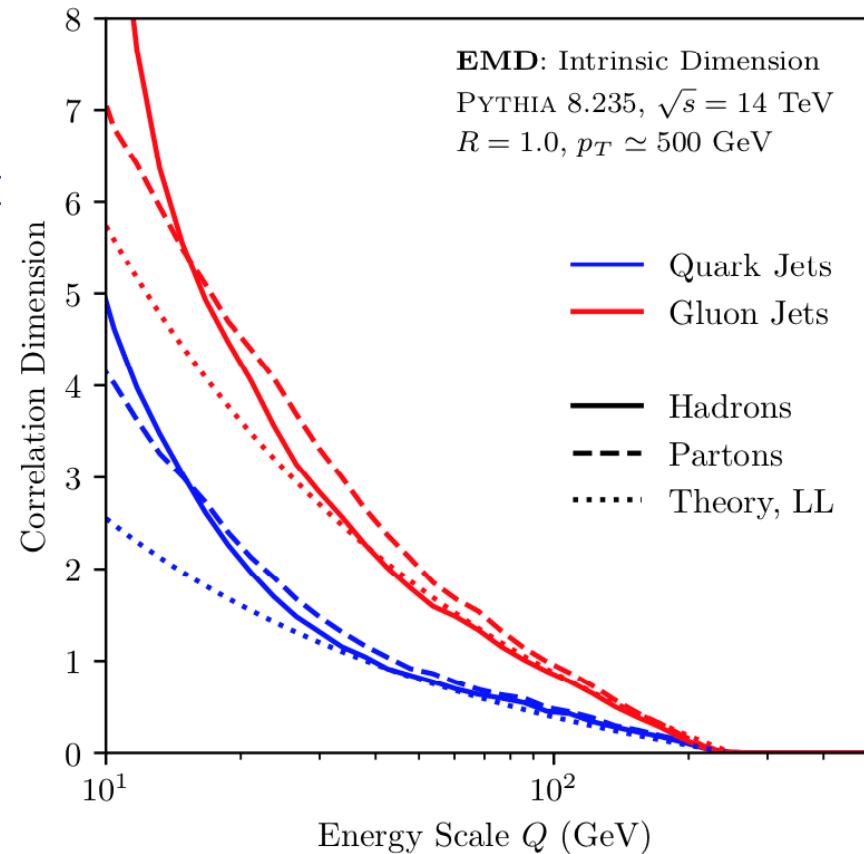


$$\text{At LL: } \dim_{q/g}(Q) = -\frac{8\alpha_s C_{q/g}}{\pi} \ln \frac{Q}{p_T/2}$$

$$+ \text{1-loop running of } \alpha_s$$

$$C_q = C_F = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$C_g = C_A = 3$$

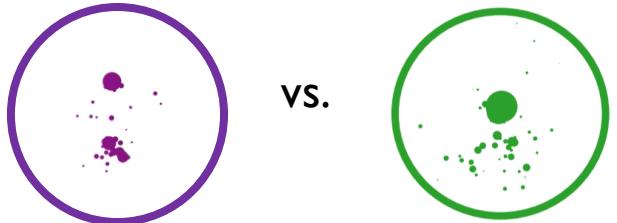


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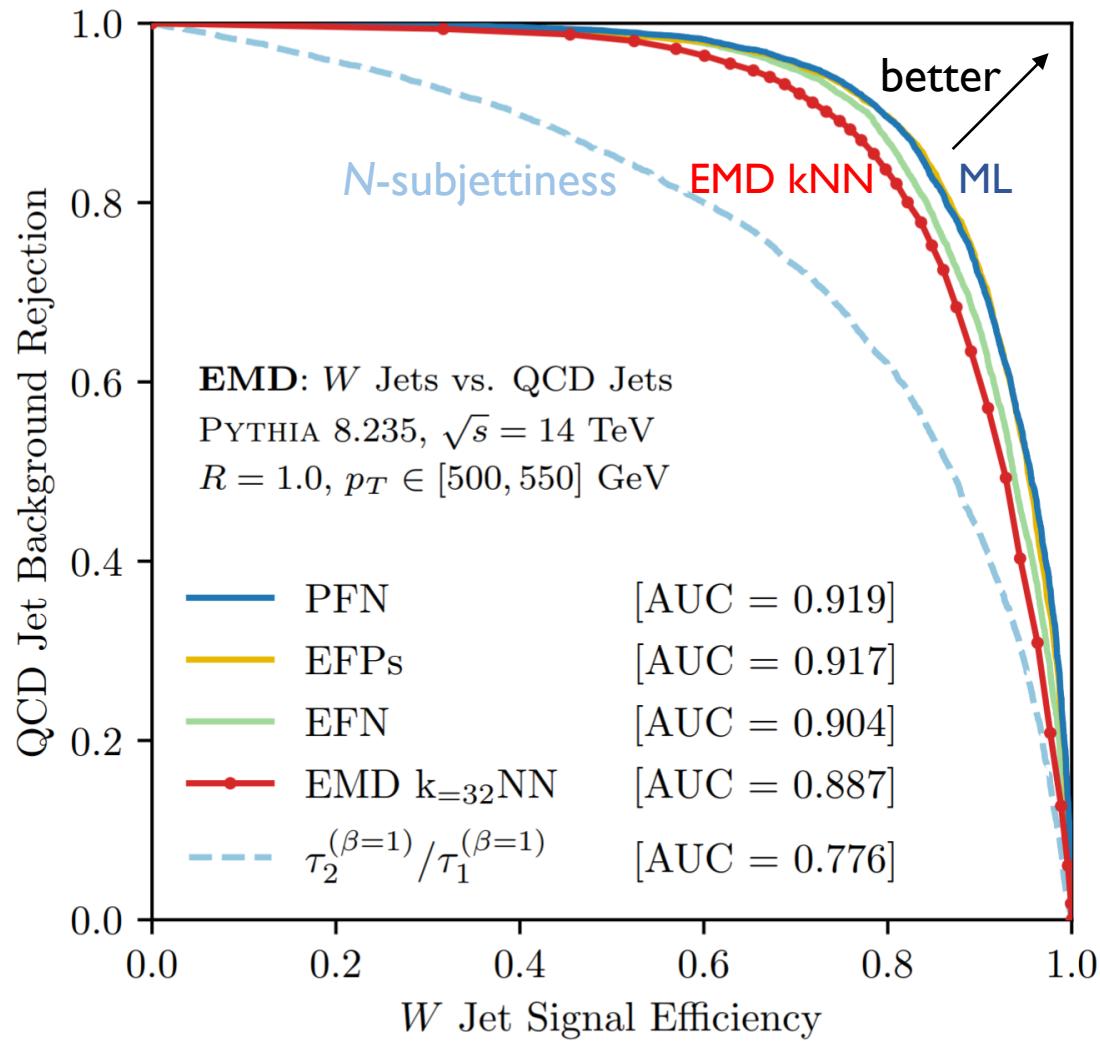
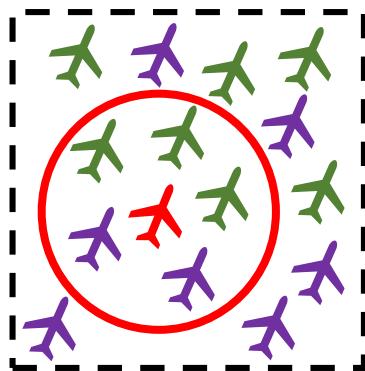
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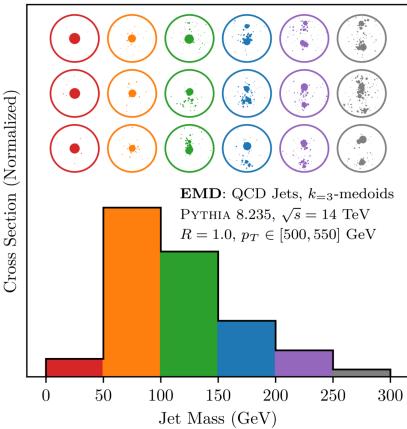


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Going Beyond



Quantifying pileup mitigation

New histogram and data visualizations

Clustering sets of events

New observables through EMD geometry

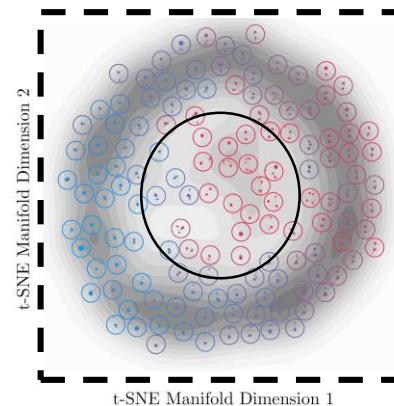
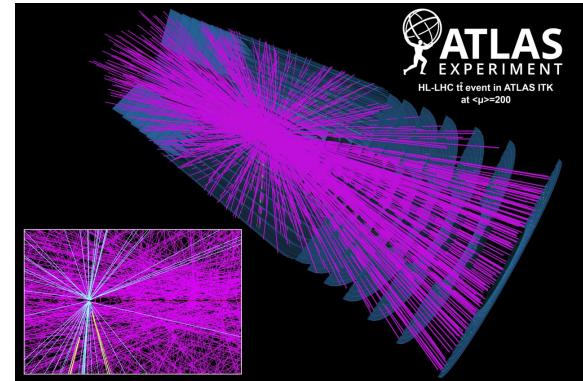
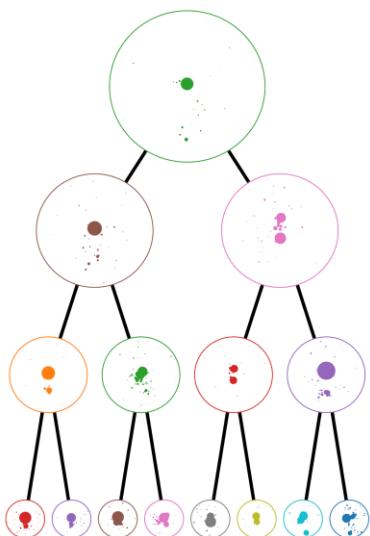
EMD for density estimation (& unfolding?)

“Event” mover’s distance between ensembles?

Model (in)dependent anomaly detection?

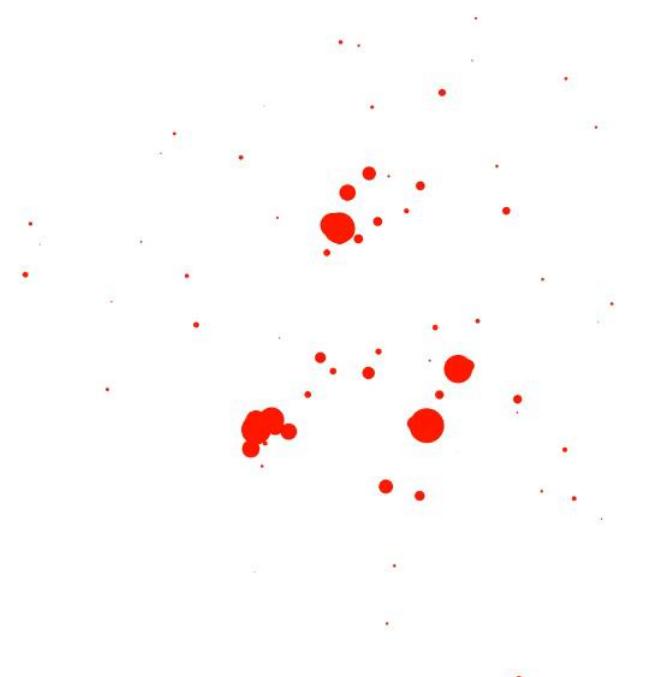
Train ML models to optimize EMD directly?

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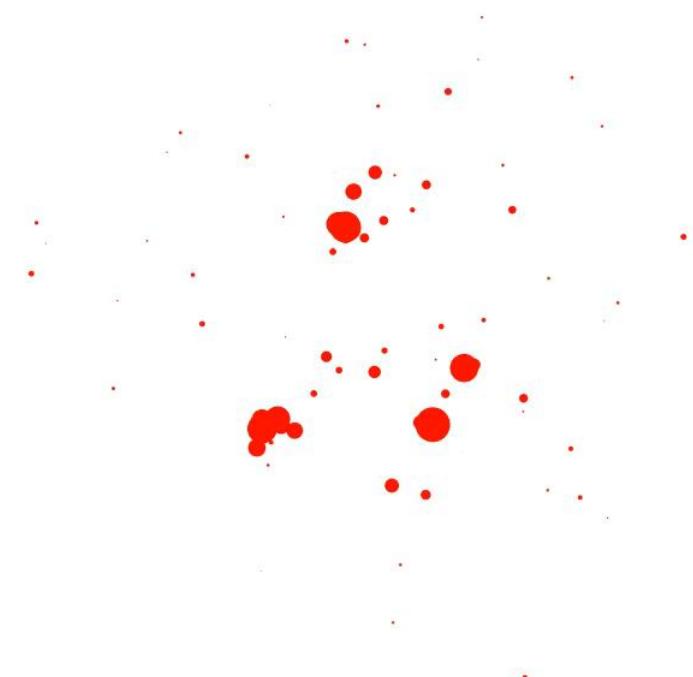


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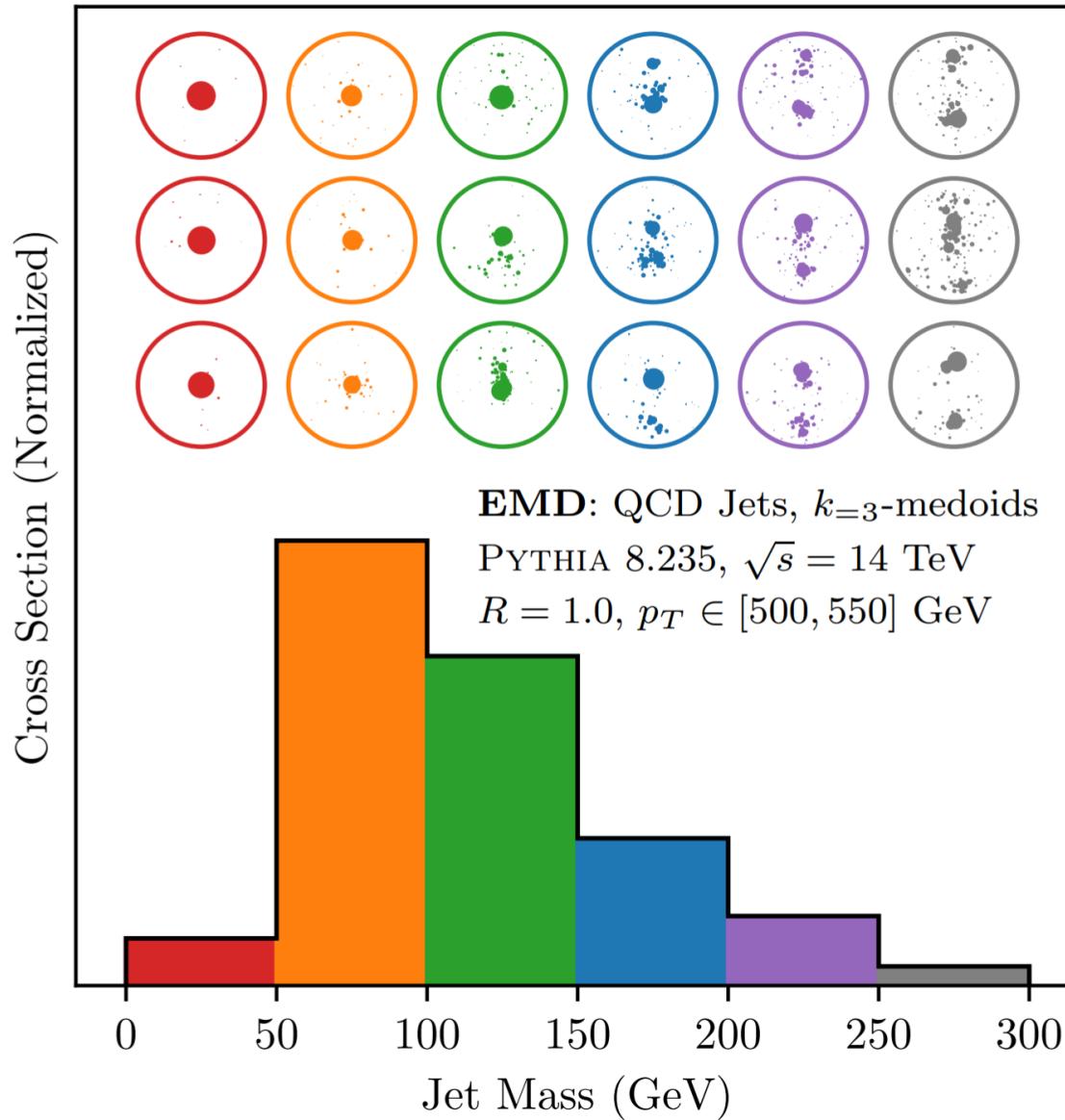
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Extra Slides



Exploring the Space of Events: k -medoids



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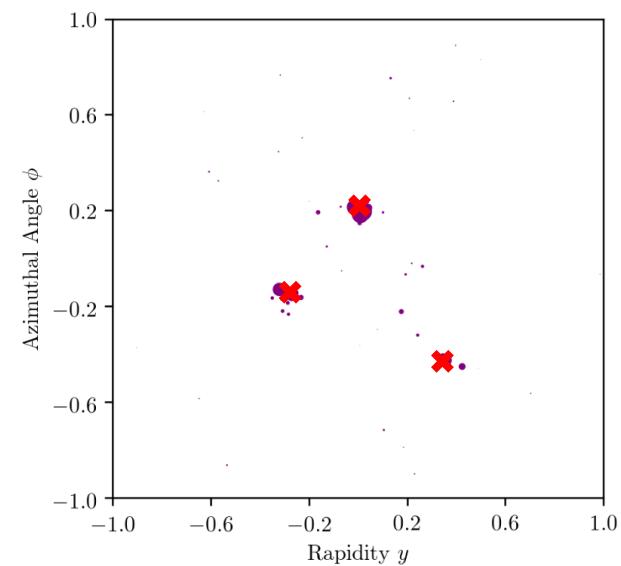
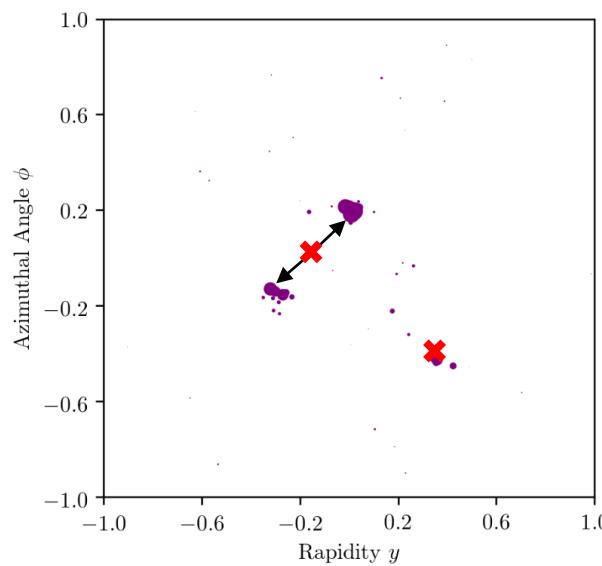
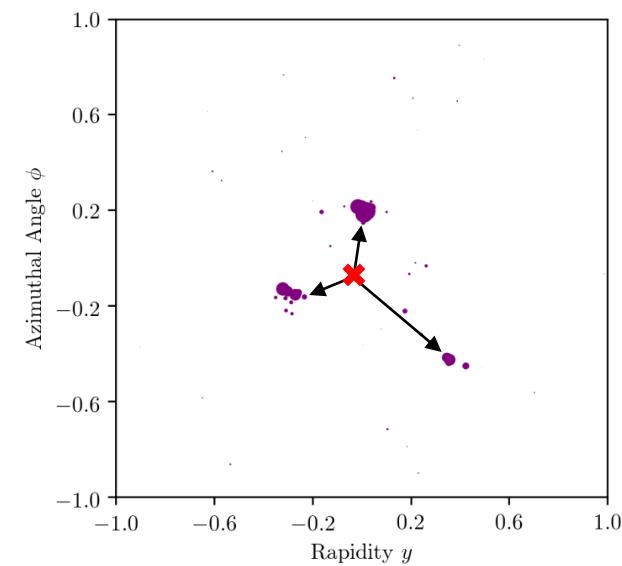
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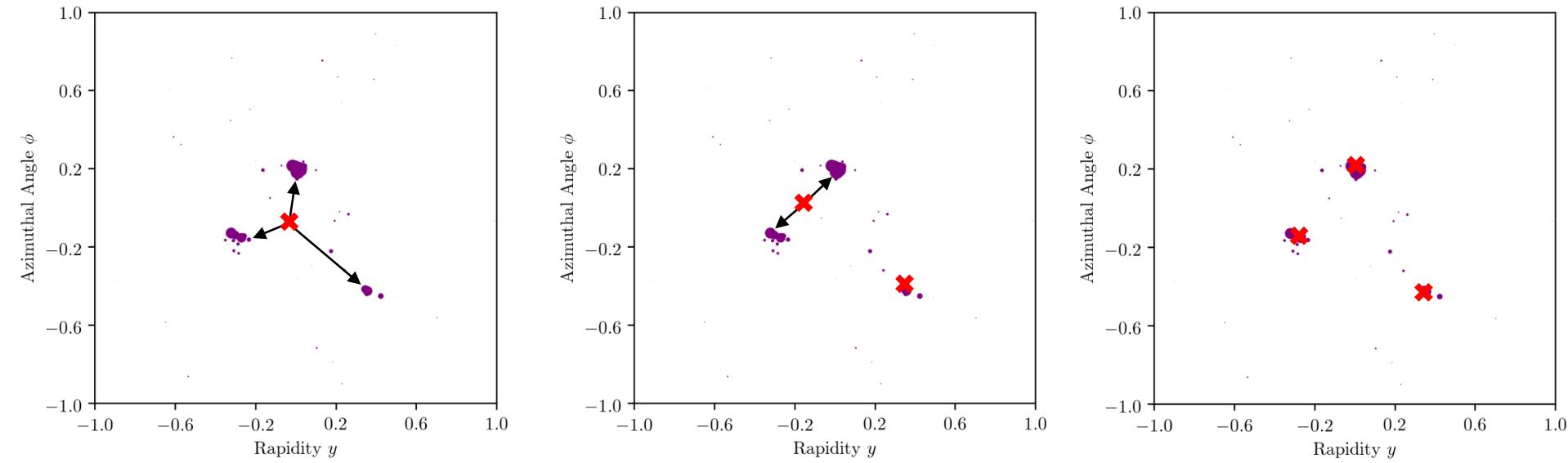
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N -subjettiness is the EMD between the event and the closest N -particle event.

$$\tau_N(\mathcal{E}) = \min_{|\mathcal{E}'|=N} \text{EMD}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}').$$

$\beta \neq 1$ corresponds to other p -Wasserstein distances with $p = \beta$.

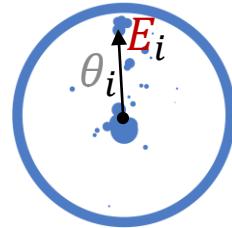
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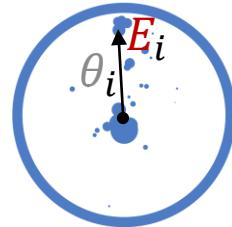
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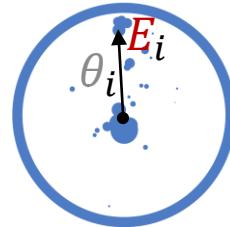
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For $\beta \geq 1$ jet angularities, $L = \beta/R$ over the jet cone, so:

$$|\lambda^{(\beta)}(\mathcal{E}) - \lambda^{(\beta)}(\mathcal{E}')| \leq \beta \text{EMD}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}')$$

The EMD provides a robust upper bound to any modifications of these observables.

Observables

Key idea: Energy-weighted angular structures contain all the IRC-safe information.

$$\frac{1}{RL} \left| \sum_{i=1}^M E_i \Phi(\hat{p}_i) - \sum_{j=1}^{M'} E'_j \Phi(\hat{p}'_j) \right| \leq \text{EMD}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}')$$

Theorem: Any infrared and collinear safe observable \mathcal{O} can be approximated arbitrarily well as:

$$\mathcal{O}(p_1, \dots, p_M) = F \left(\sum_{i=1}^M E_i \vec{\Phi}(\hat{p}_i) \right)$$

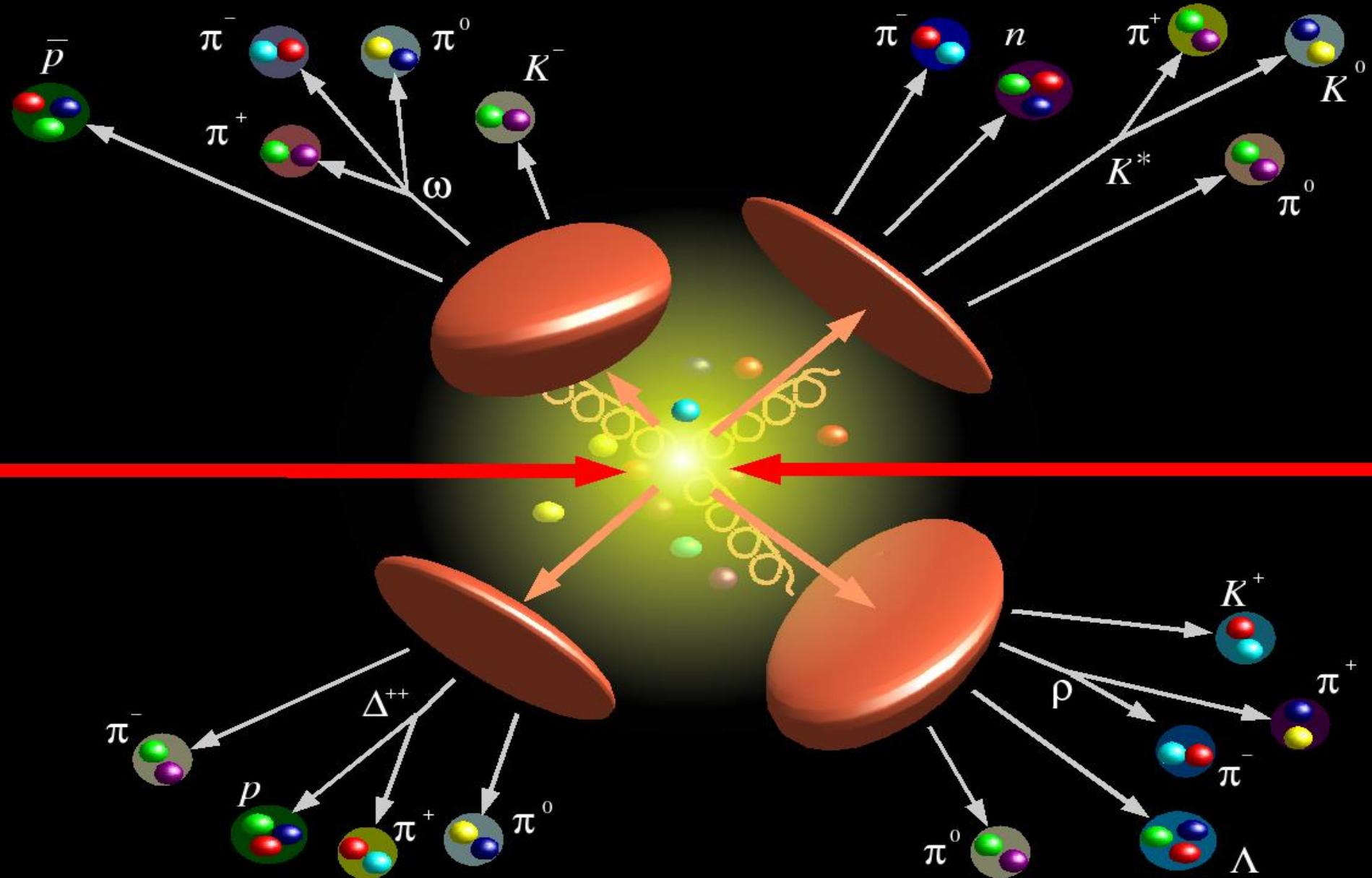
for some $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\ell$ and $F: \mathbb{R}^\ell \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and sufficiently large ℓ .

[\[M. Zaheer, et al., 1703.06114\]](#)

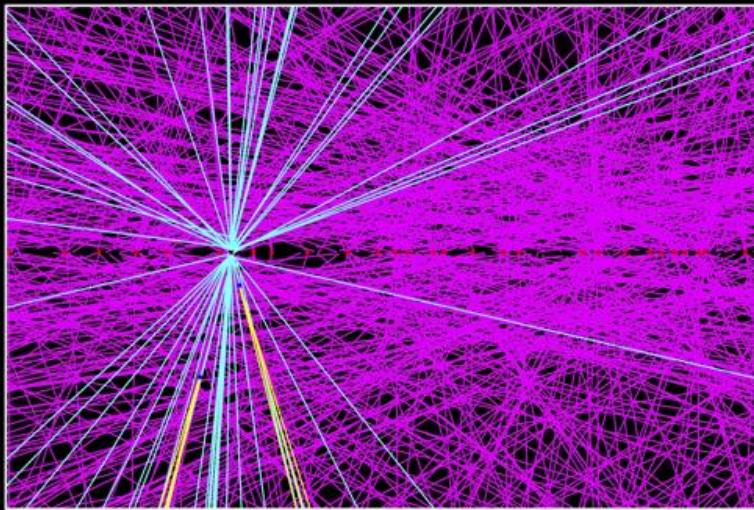
[\[P.T. Komiske, EMM, J. Thaler, 1810.05165\]](#)

Events close in EMD are close in all infrared and collinear safe information!

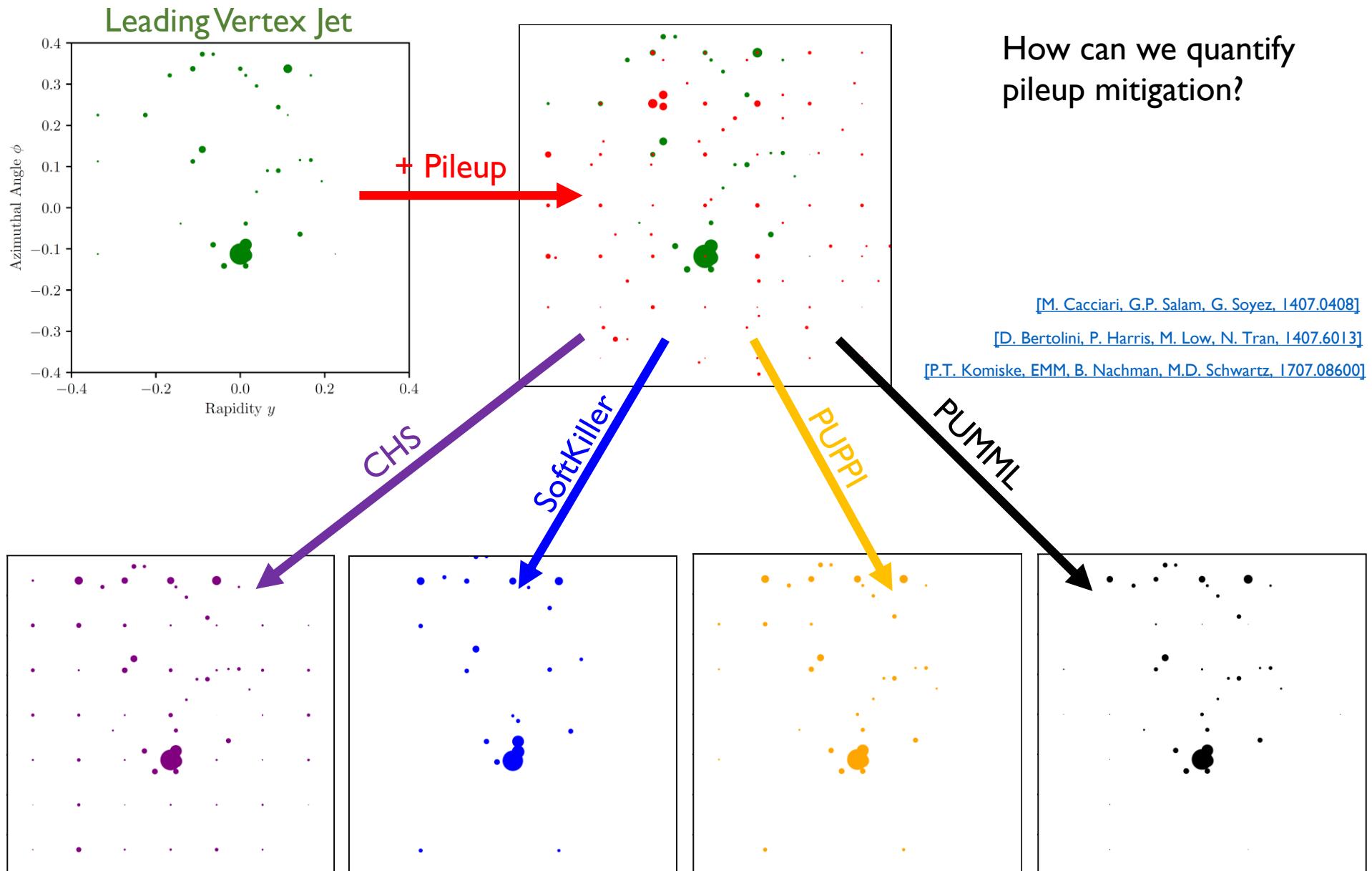
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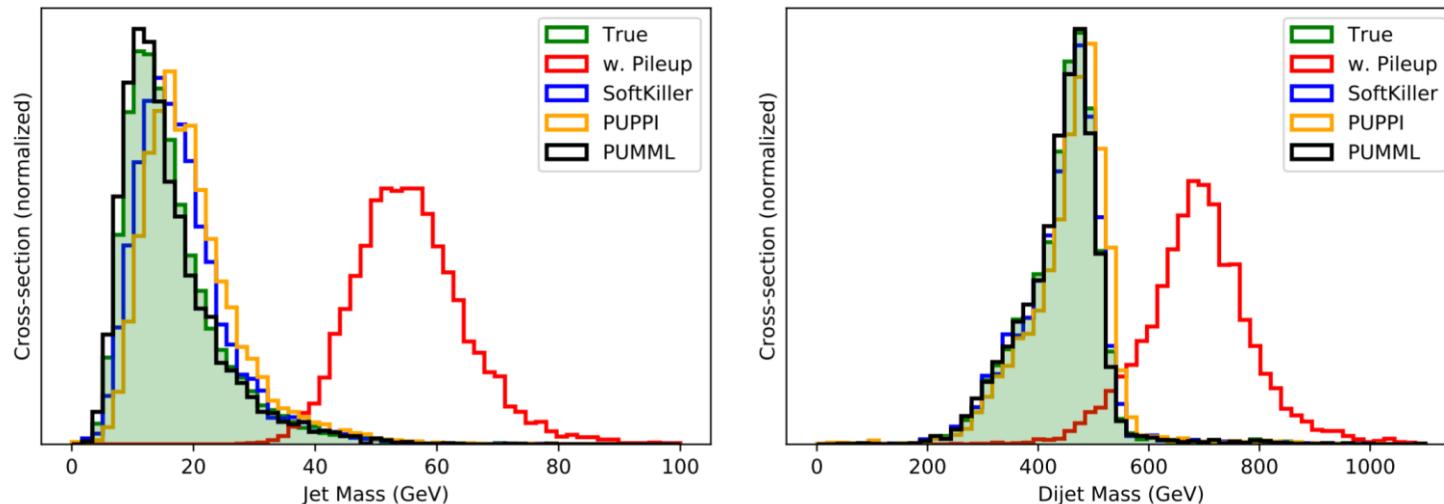


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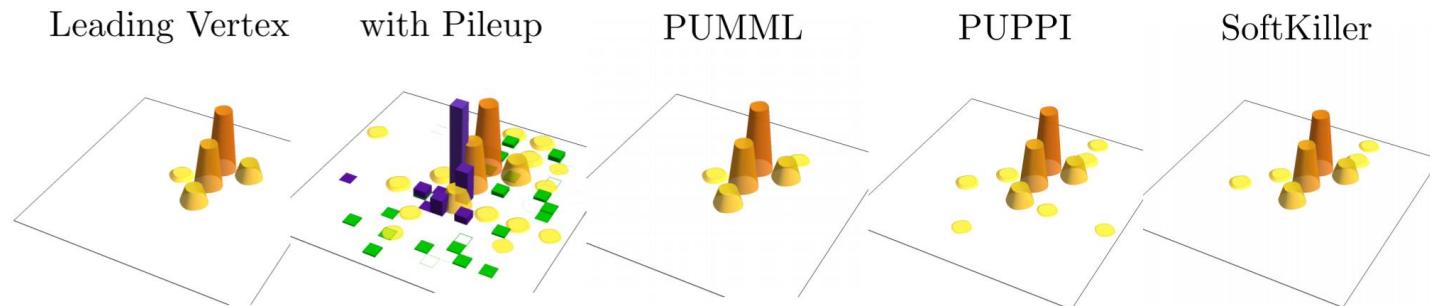
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Compare on a collection of observables?



Requires ad hoc choices of observables.

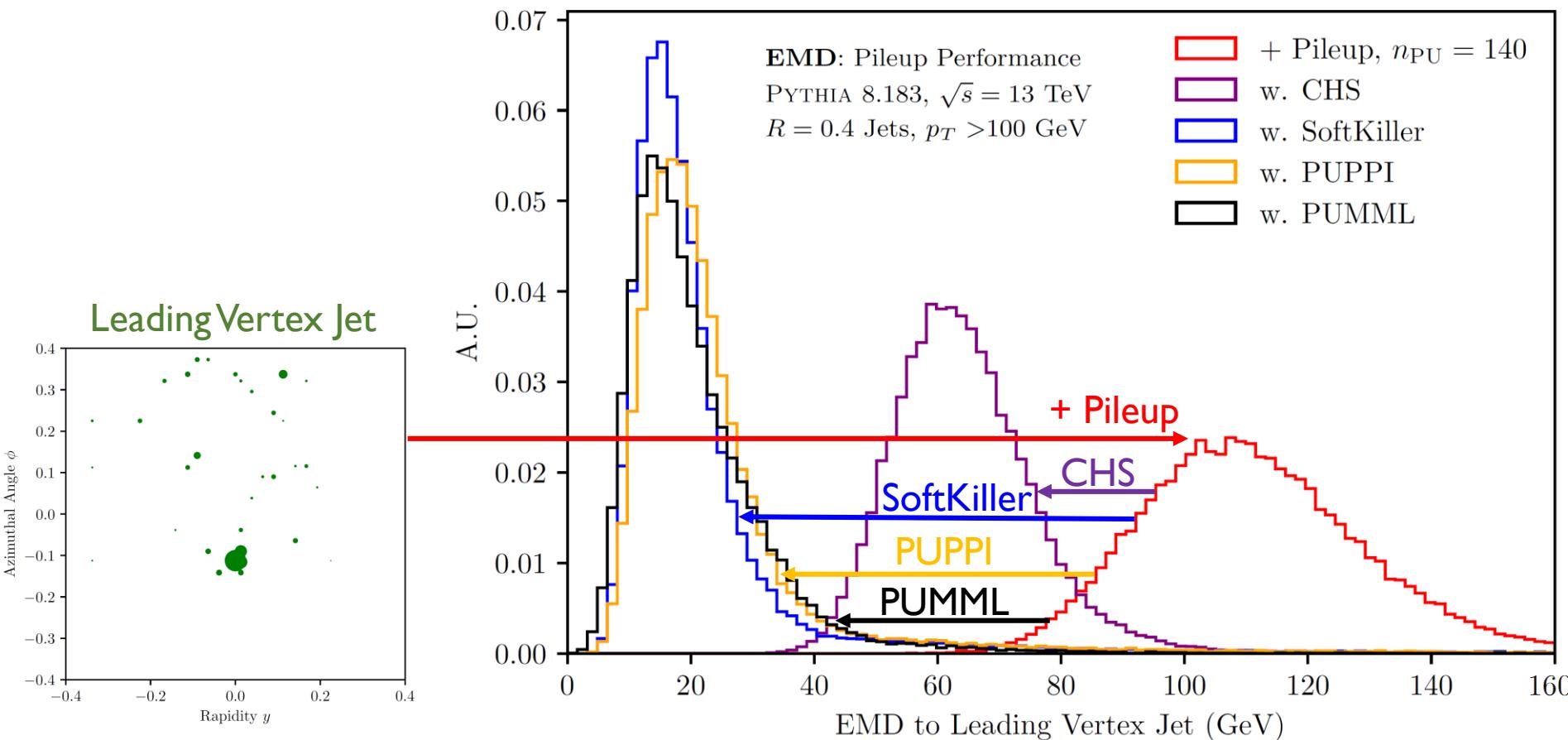
Compare calorimeter images pixel by pixel?



Discontinuous under physically-sensible single-pixel perturbations.
Undesirable behavior with increasing resolution.

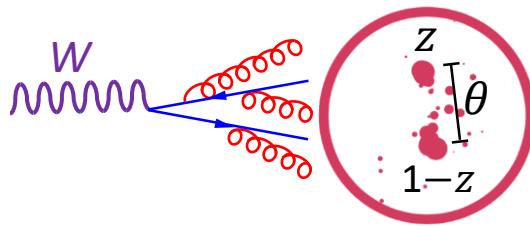
Quantifying event modifications: Pileup

Measure pileup mitigation performance with EMD!



Guarantees performance on IRC safe observables.
Stable under physically-sensible perturbations.
Train to optimize EMD with machine learning?

Exploring the Space of Events: W jets



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z : Energy Sharing of Prongs
 θ : Angle between Prongs
 φ : Azimuthal orientation

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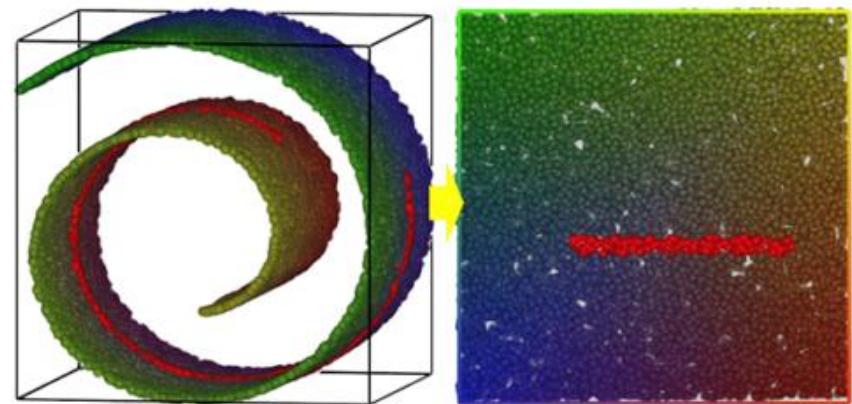
Hence we expect a **two-dimensional** space of W jets.

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Visualize the space of events with t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding (t-SNE).

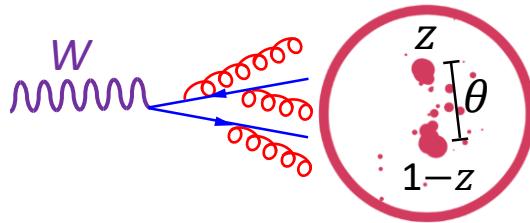
[L. van der Maaten, G. Hinton]

Finds an embedding into a low-dimensional manifold that respects distances.



Src: <http://web-ext.u-aizu.ac.jp/~shigeo/home.html>

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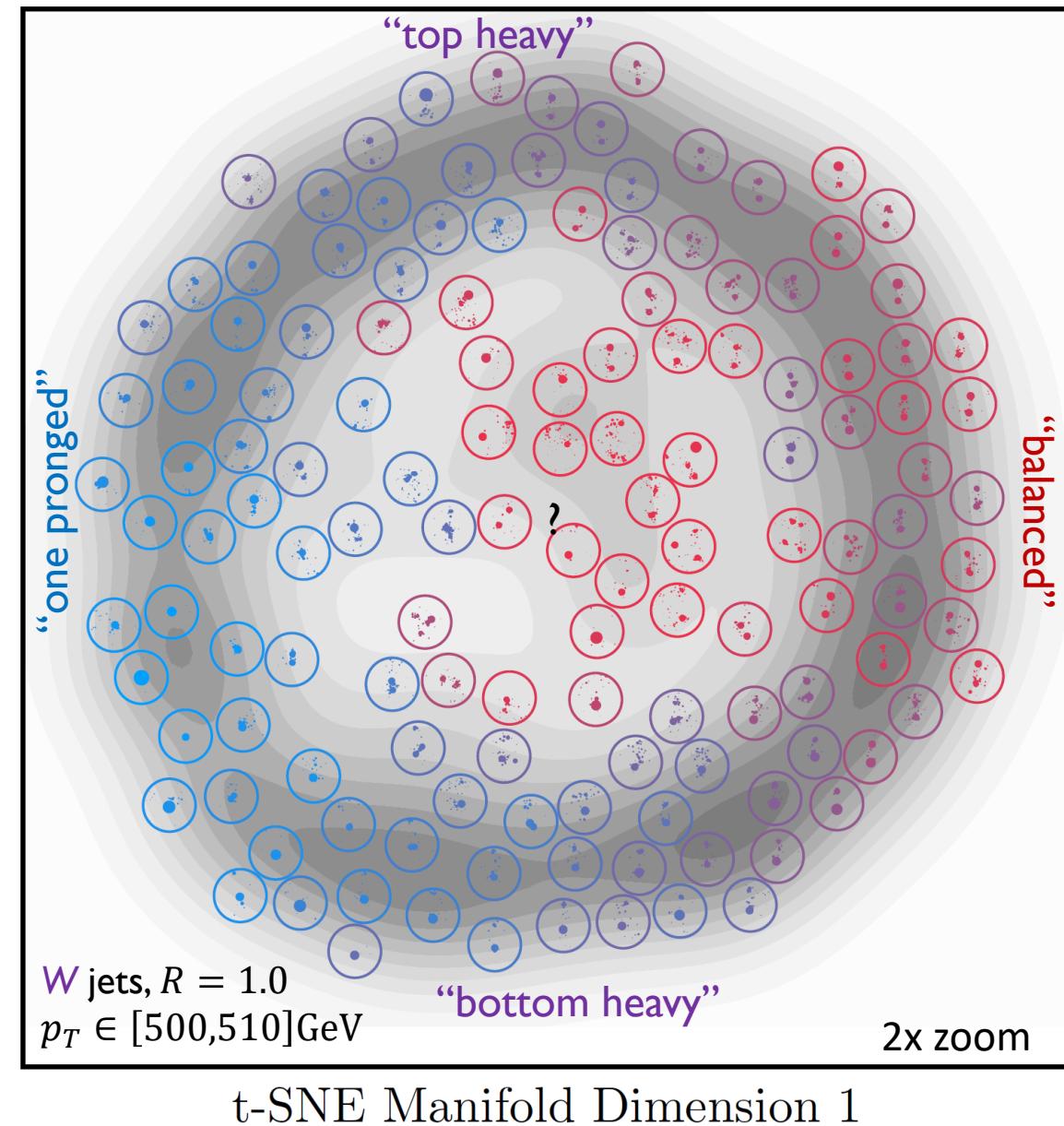
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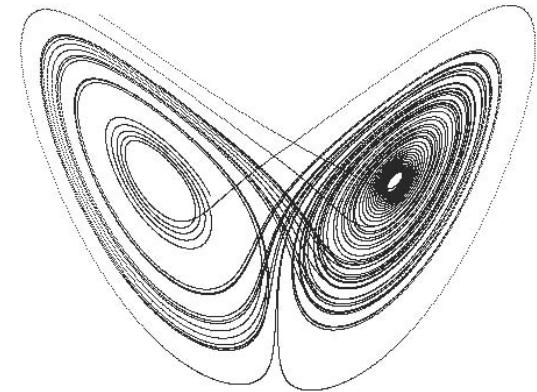
Characterization of Strange Attractors

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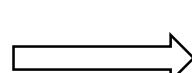
A new measure of strange attractors is introduced which offers a practical algorithm to determine their character from the time series of a single observable. The relation of this new measure to fractal dimension and information-theoretic entropy is discussed.



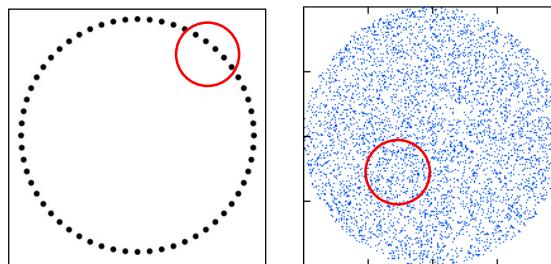
Intuition:

$$N_{\text{neighboring}}(r) \propto r^{\dim}$$

points



$$\dim(r) = r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \ln N_{\text{neighbors}}(r)$$



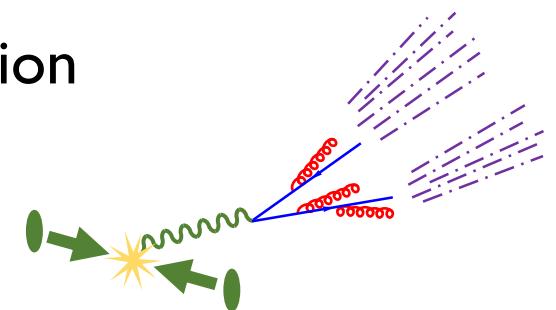
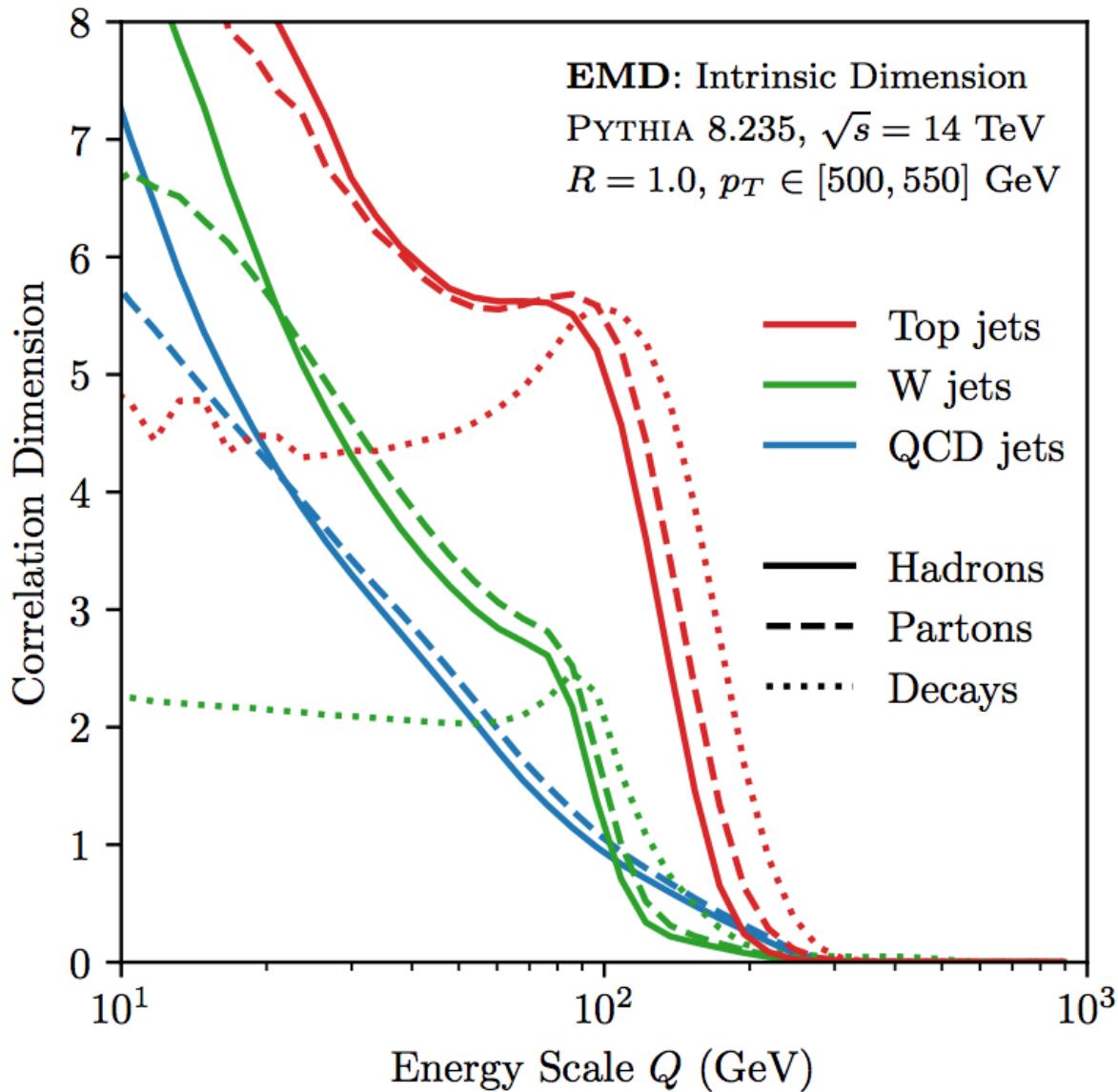
Correlation dimension:

$$\dim(Q) = Q \frac{\partial}{\partial Q} \ln \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \Theta[\text{EMD}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) < Q]$$

Energy scale Q
dependence

Count neighbors in
ball of radius Q

Exploring the Space of Jets: Correlation Dimension



QCD jets are simplest.

W jets are more complicated.

Top jets are most complex.

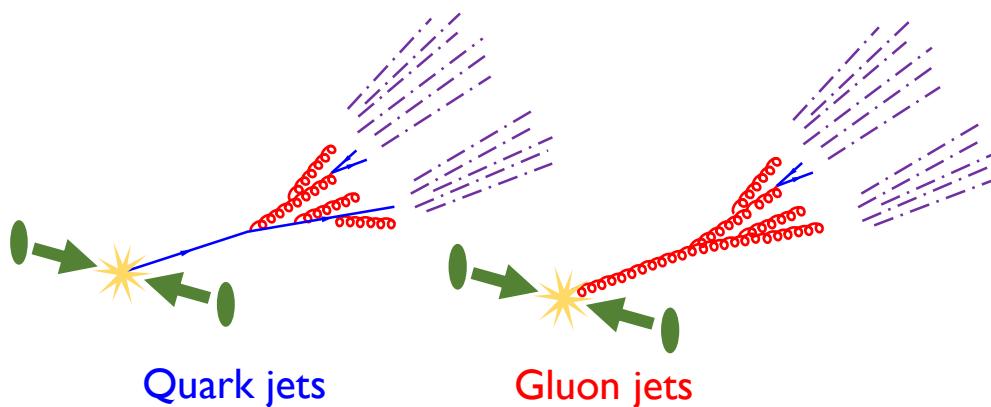
“Decays” have ~constant dimension.

Fragmentation becomes more complex at lower energy scales.

Hadronization becomes relevant at scales around 20 GeV.

Can we understand this analytically?

Exploring the Space of Jets: Correlation Dimension

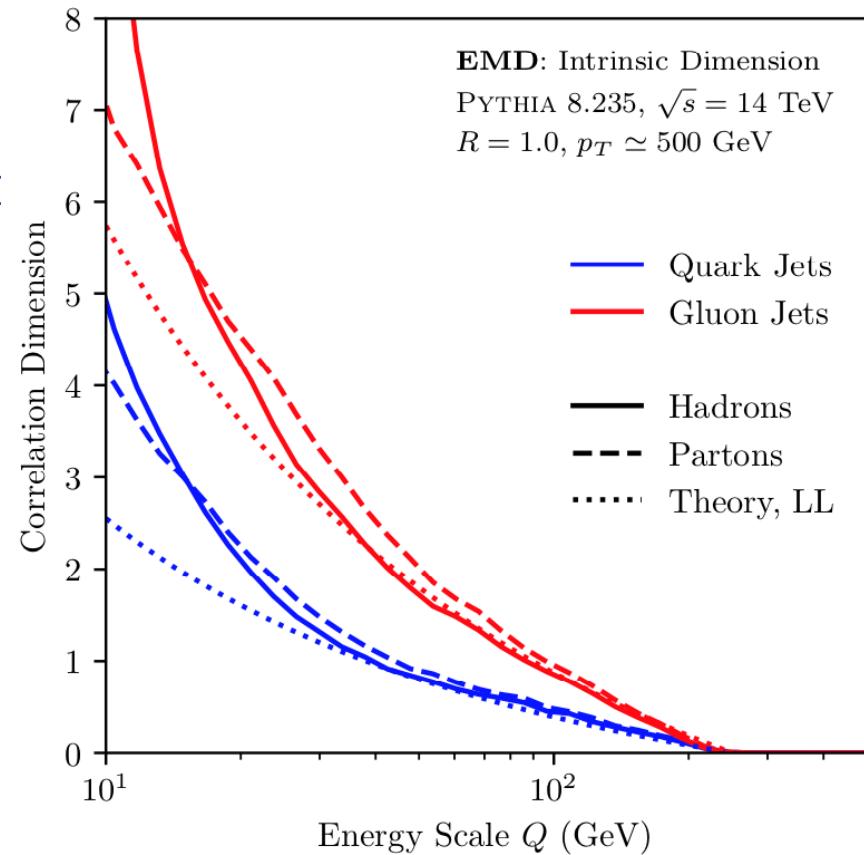


$$\text{At LL: } \dim_{q/g}(Q) = -\frac{8\alpha_s C_{q/g}}{\pi} \ln \frac{Q}{p_T/2}$$

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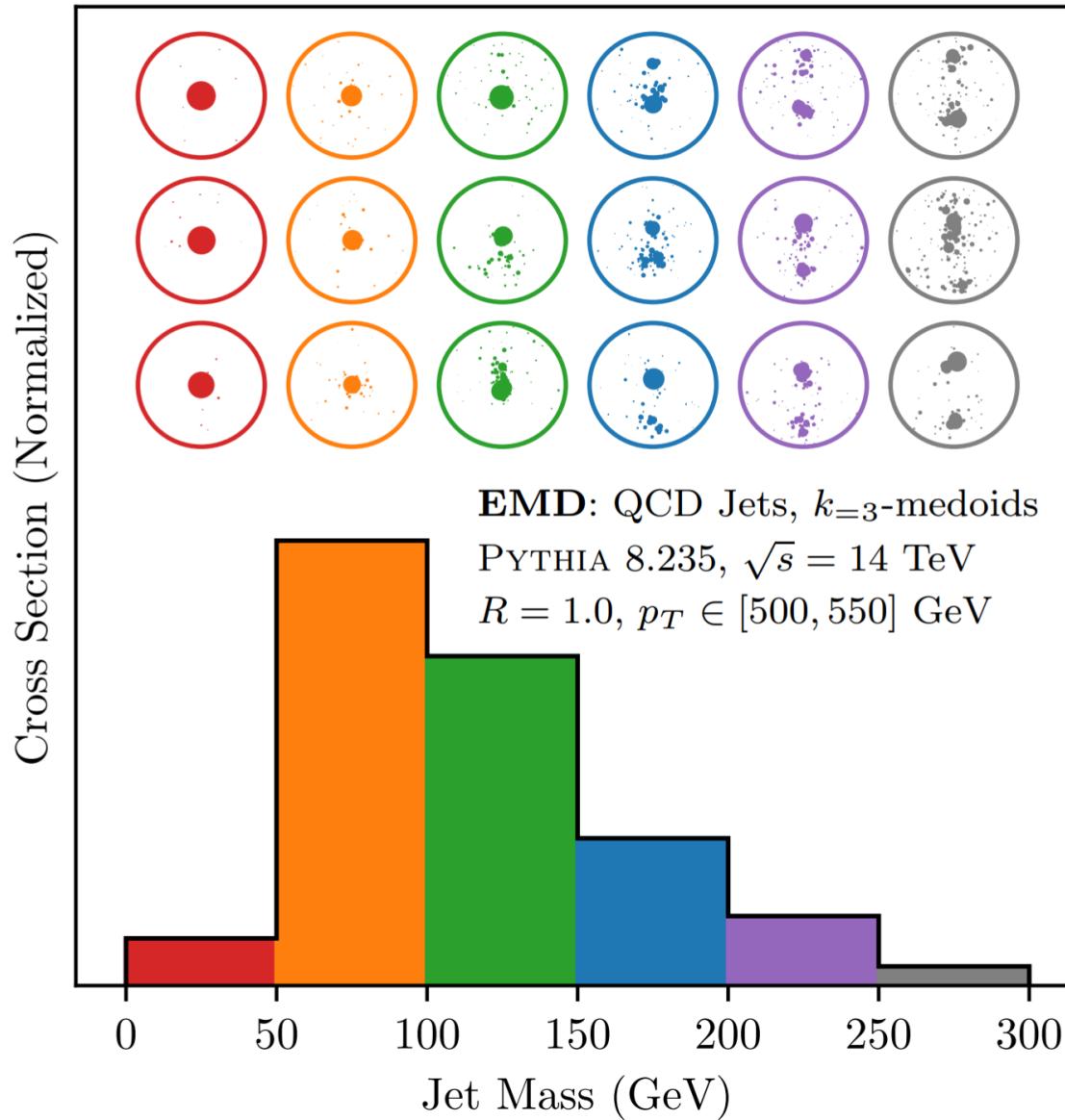
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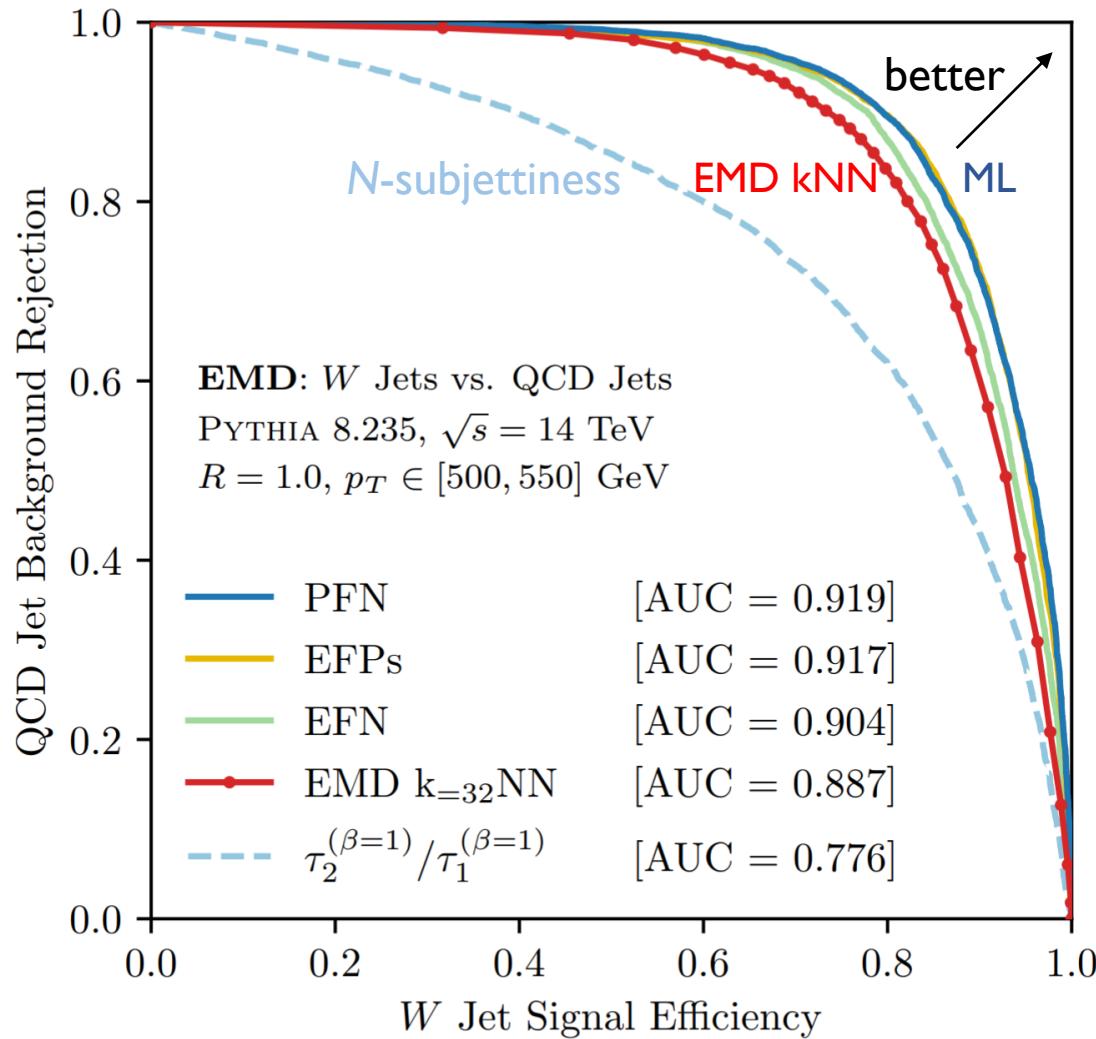
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Exploring the Space of Events

Use EMD as a measure of event similarity

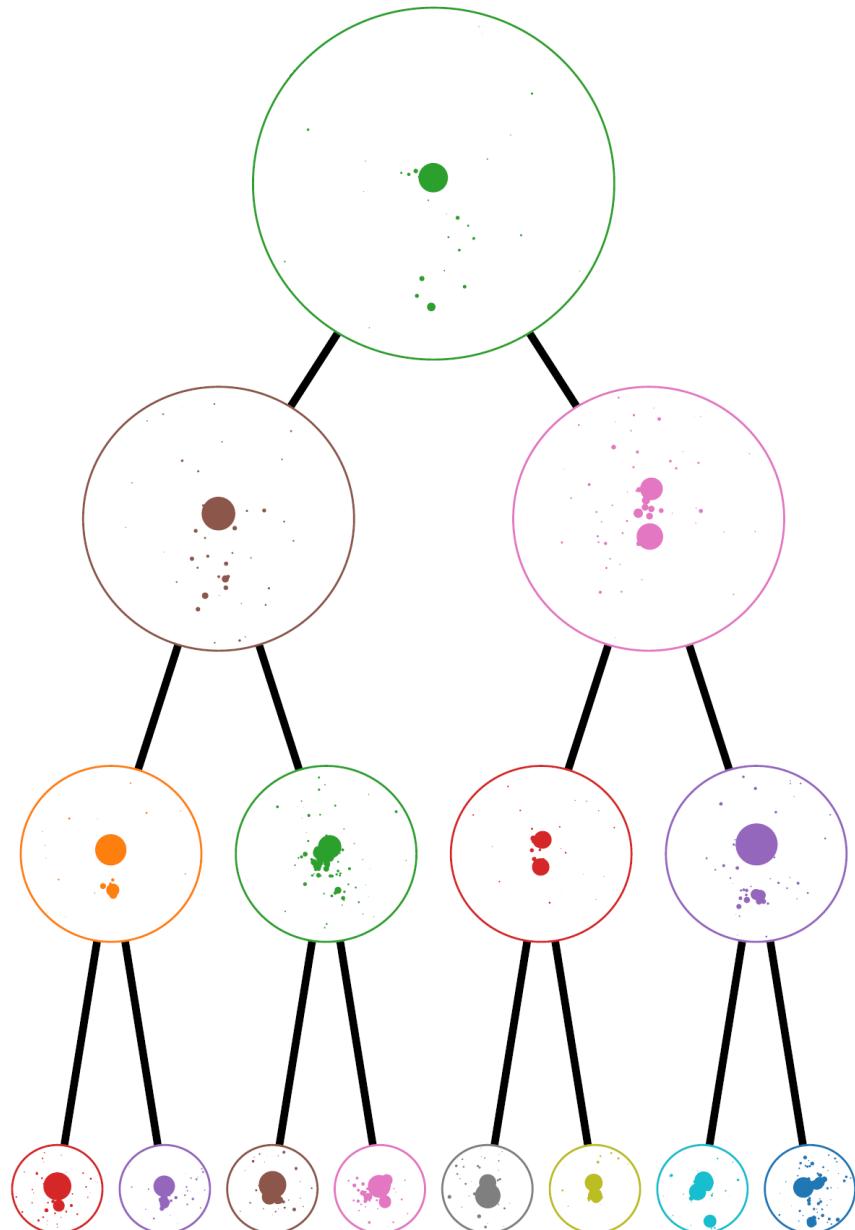
Unsupervised clustering algorithms can
be used to cluster events

Jets are clusters of particles
???? are clusters of jets

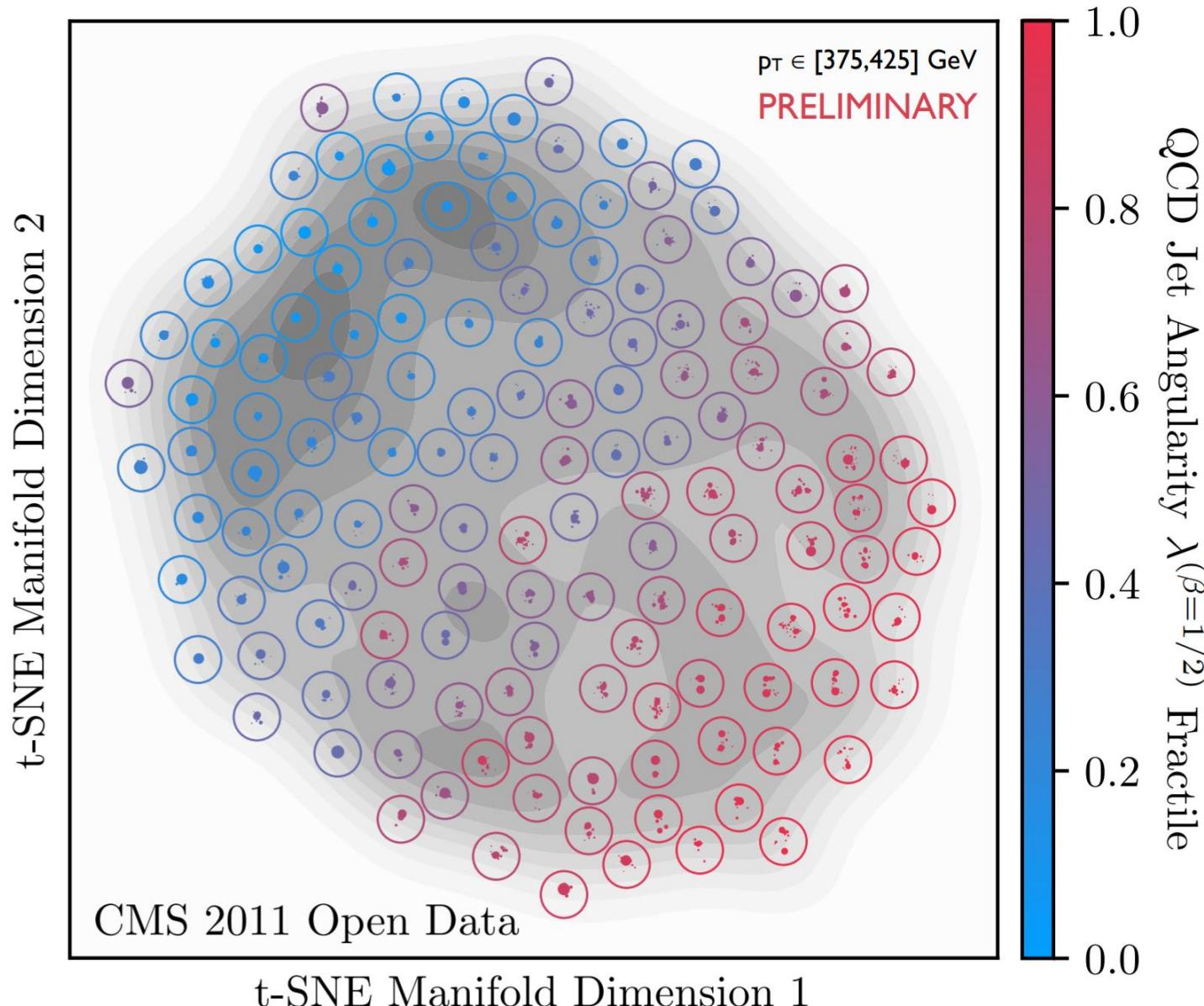
VP Tree: $O(\log(N))$ neighbor query time

Much more to explore.

Vantage Point (VP) Tree



Exploring the Space of Events: QCD Jets



Exploring the Space of Jets: Correlation Dimension

Sketch of leading log (one emission) calculation:

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$$= Q \frac{\partial}{\partial Q} \ln \Pr [\text{EMD} < Q]$$

$$= Q \frac{\partial}{\partial Q} \ln \Pr [\lambda^{(\beta=1)} < Q; C_{q/g} \rightarrow 2 C_{q/g}]$$

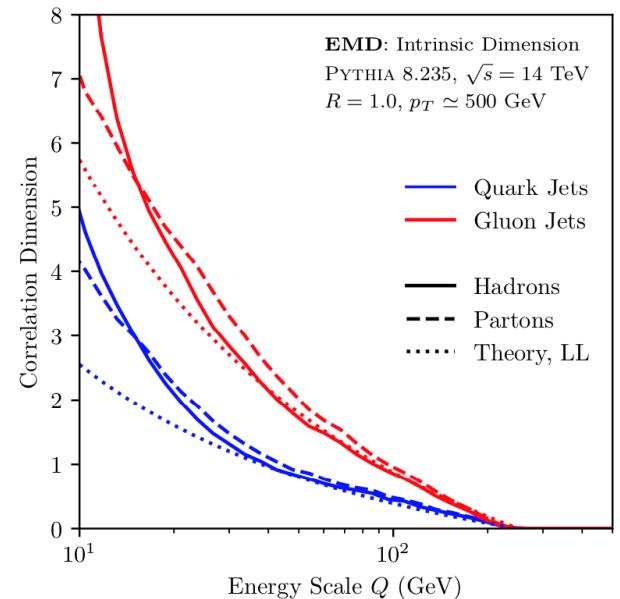
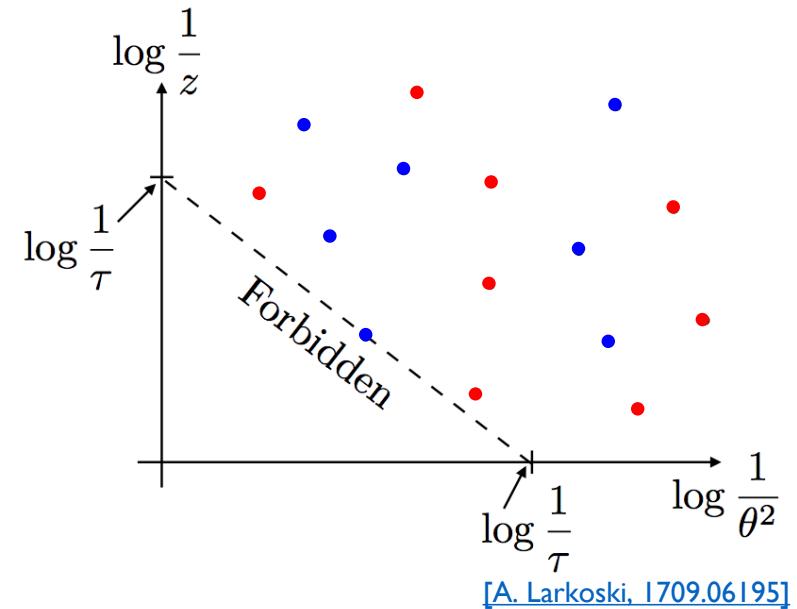
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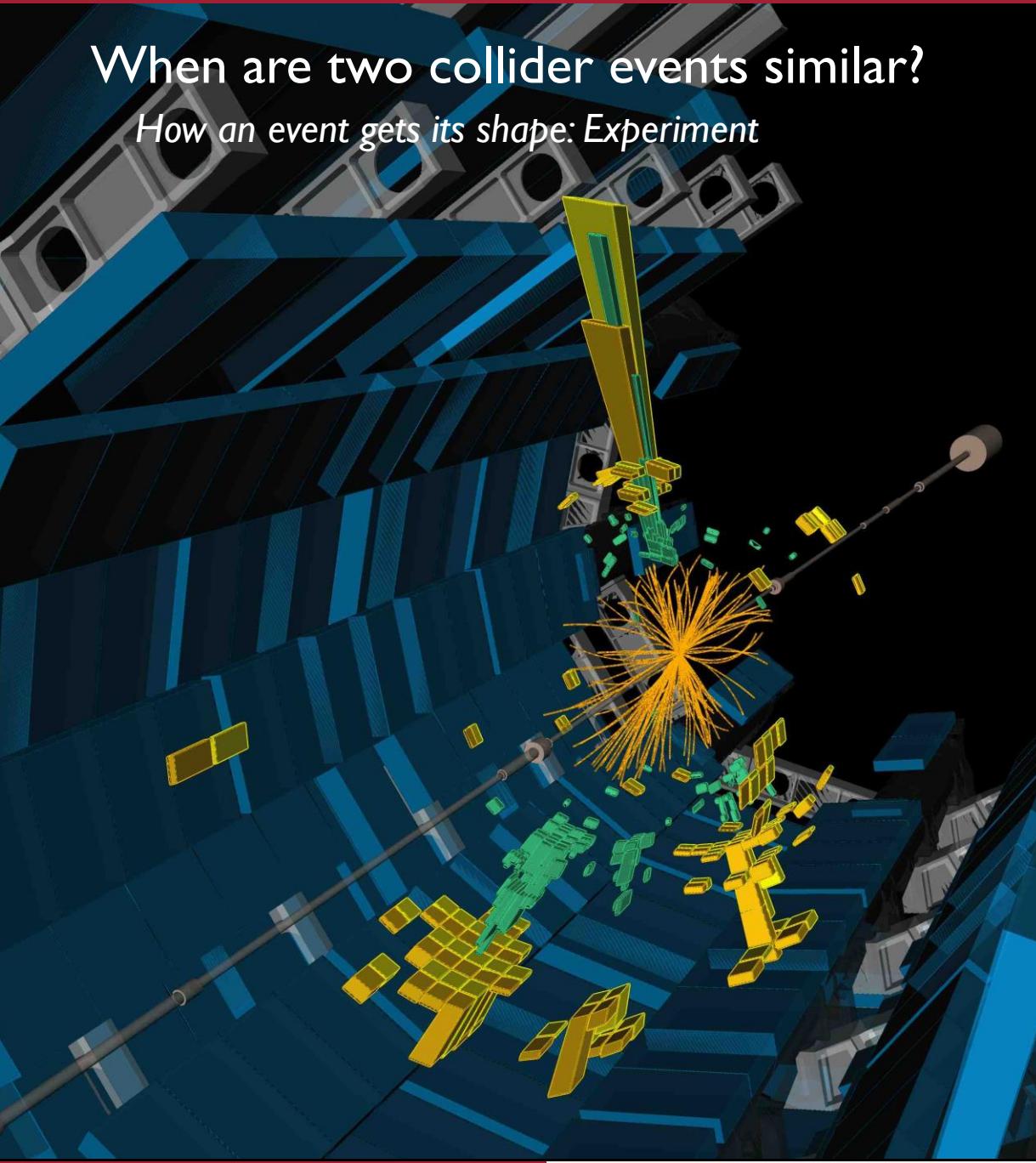
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When are two collider events similar?

How an event gets its shape: Experiment



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			K_L^0 K-long
			p/\bar{p} proton
			n/\bar{n} neutron

Pileup Mitigation with PUMML

