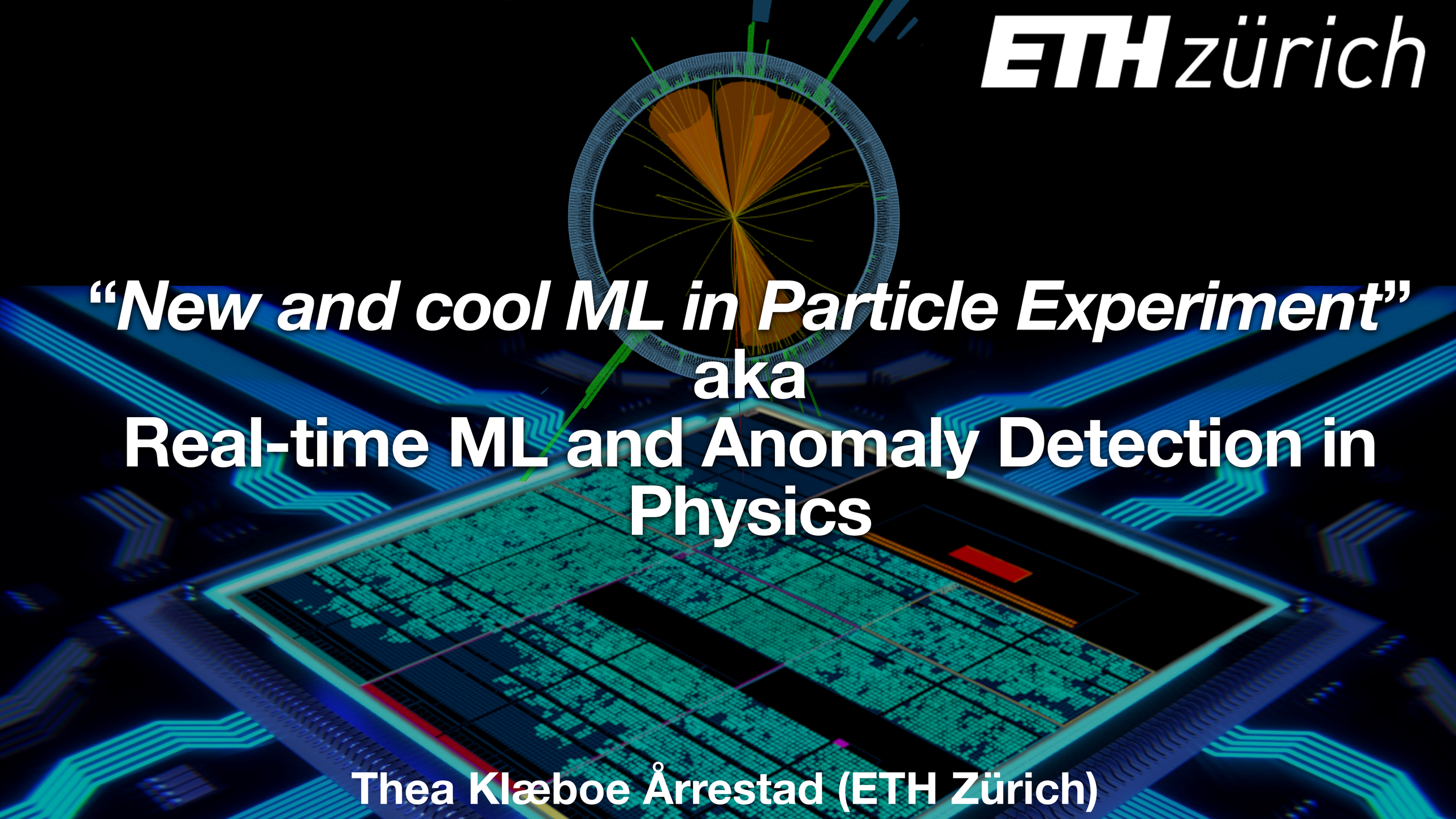

"New and cool ML in Particle Experiment"
aka
Real-time ML and Anomaly Detection in Physics

Thea Klæboe Årrestad (ETH Zürich)

Hi!

I am Thea

- Experimental Physicist at ETH Zürich & CERN
- Work on:
  - **real-time ML** for data processing systems for the CMS “Trigger” at LHC and elsewhere
  - harnessing ML-based **anomaly detection** for New Physics detection

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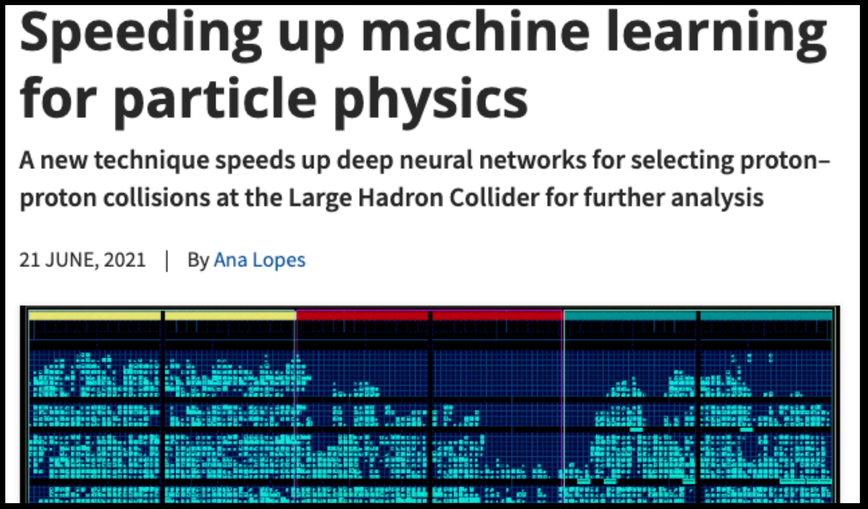

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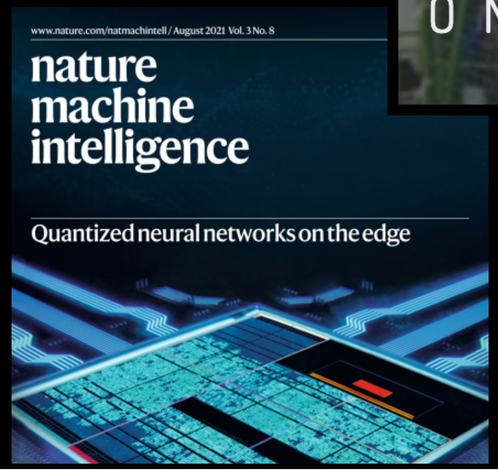

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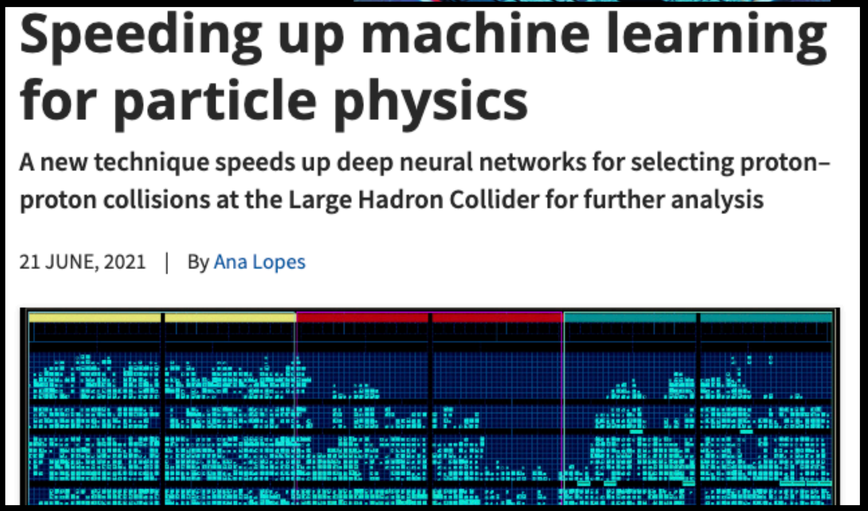

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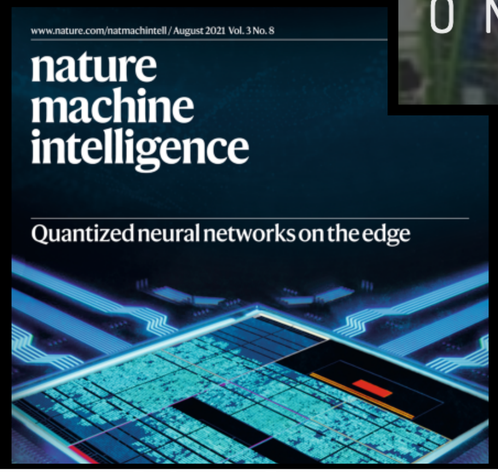

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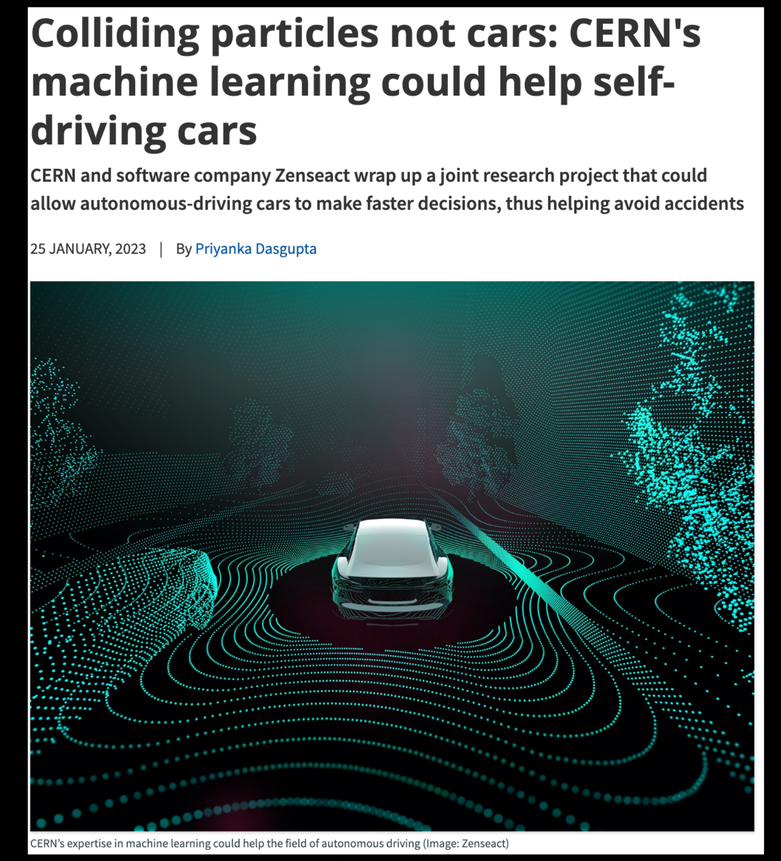


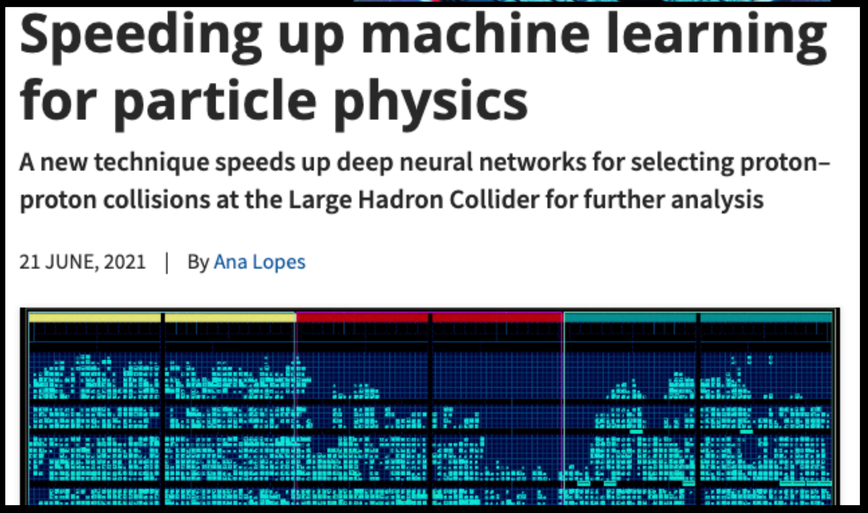
Colliding particles not cars: CERN's machine learning could help self-driving cars

CERN and software company Zenseact wrap up a joint research project that could allow autonomous-driving cars to make faster decisions, thus helping avoid accidents

25 JANUARY, 2023 | By Priyanka Dasgupta

CERN's expertise in machine learning could help the field of autonomous driving (Image: Zenseact)

And real-time inference outside of physics!



Speeding up machine learning for particle physics

A new technique speeds up deep neural networks for selecting proton–proton collisions at the Large Hadron Collider for further analysis

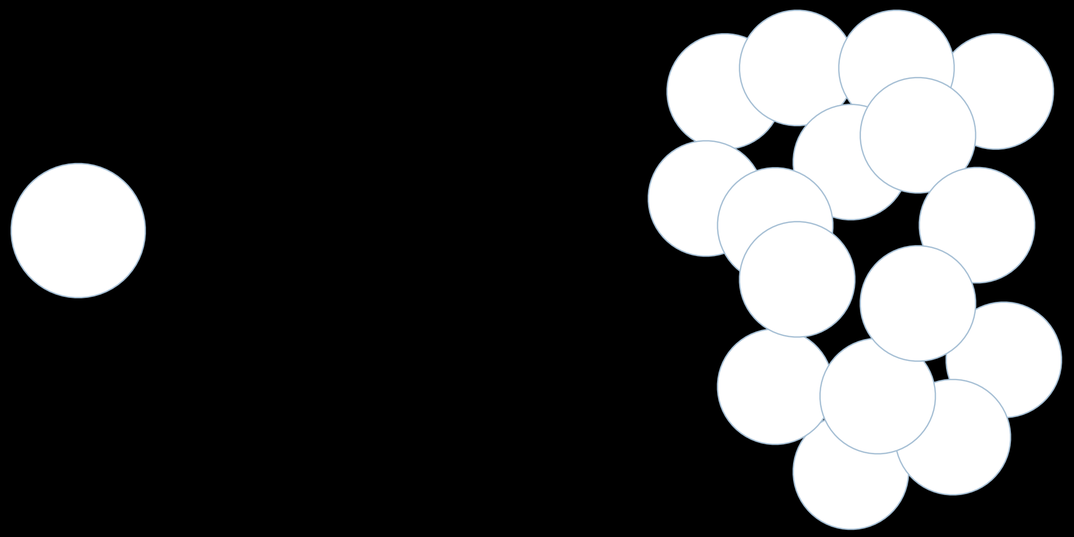
21 JUNE, 2021 | By Ana Lopes

Developing the tools LHC uses for nanosecond inference

“Today has been made possible thanks to extraordinarily large neural networks trained on large datasets”

Ilya Sutskever, co-founder OpenAI, neurIPS 2024 ToT keynote

GPT-3 GPT-4 (MoE)



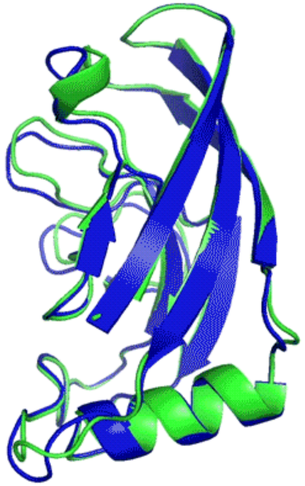
175,000,000,000
(0.16% of neurons in your brain)

800,000,000,000 and 120 layers
(1.6% of neurons in your brain)

GPT-5 rather system of models: pre-filtering, then GPT chat or reasoning

Example of AI for discovery?

T1037 / 6vr4
90.7 GDT
(RNA polymerase domain)



T1049 / 6y4f
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(adhesin tip)

Experimental result
Computational prediction

AlphaFold nature cover

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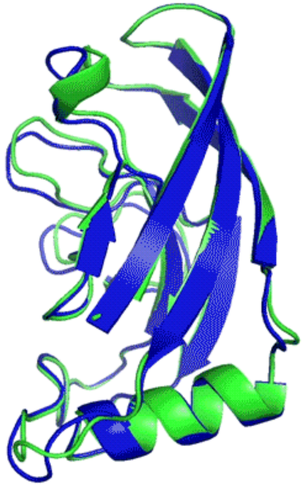

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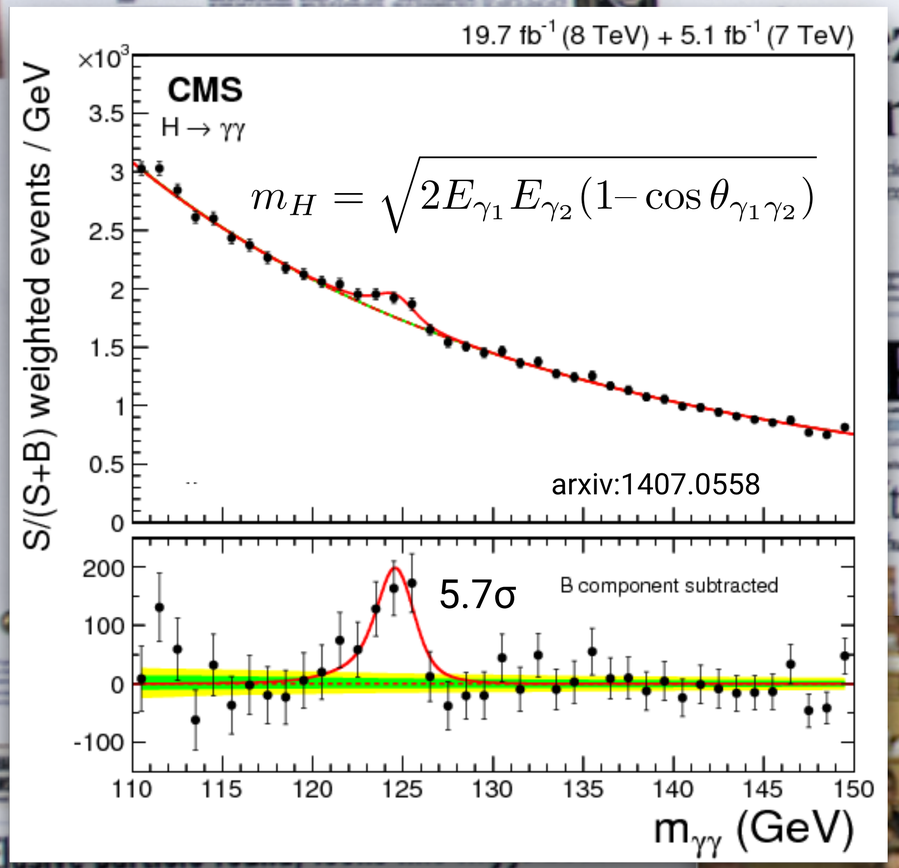
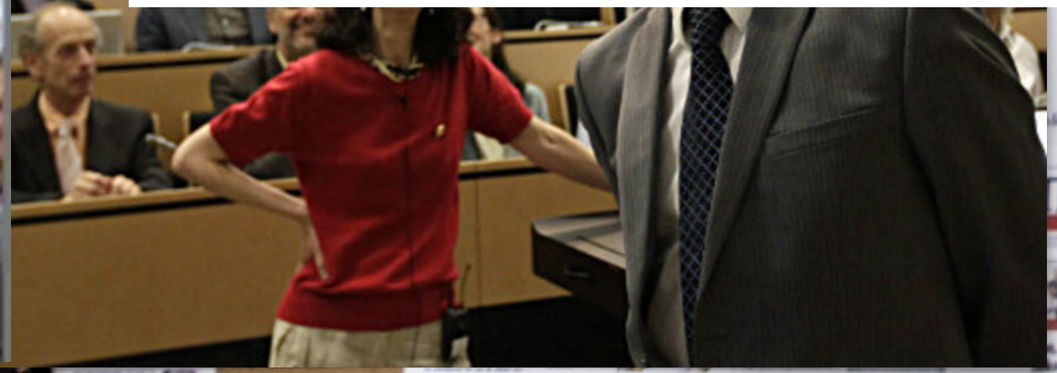


Nature Review Analysis	Years of data collection	Sensitivity without machine learning	Sensitivity with machine learning	Ratio of P values	Additional data required
CMS[24] $H \to \gamma\gamma$	2011–2012	2.2σ, $P = 0.014$	2.7σ, $P = 0.0035$	4.0	51%
ATLAS[43] $H \to \tau^+\tau^-$	2011–2012	2.5σ, $P = 0.0062$	3.4σ, $P = 0.00034$	18	85%
ATLAS[99] $VH \to bb$	2011–2012	1.9σ, $P = 0.029$	2.5σ, $P = 0.0062$	4.7	73%
ATLAS[41] $VH \to bb$	2015–2016	2.8σ, $P = 0.0026$	3.0σ, $P = 0.00135$	1.9	15%
CMS[100] $VH \to bb$	2011–2012	1.4σ, $P = 0.081$	2.1σ, $P = 0.018$	4.5	125%



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- **2^{25-27} floating point operations**
- **>20,000 A100 GPUs**
- **90-100 days**
- **$60 million**
- **Train set: 13 trillion tokens**

semianalysis 2023

whats the typical latency of your (GPT-5) web app?

I don't have a confirmed published number from OpenAI for the **web app** version of GPT-5, so I can't give an exact "official" latency. However, there are some estimates / benchmark-reports that give a ballpark. Here are what I found +

- ~ **0.15-0.3 seconds** before you see the first token (after you submit your prompt)

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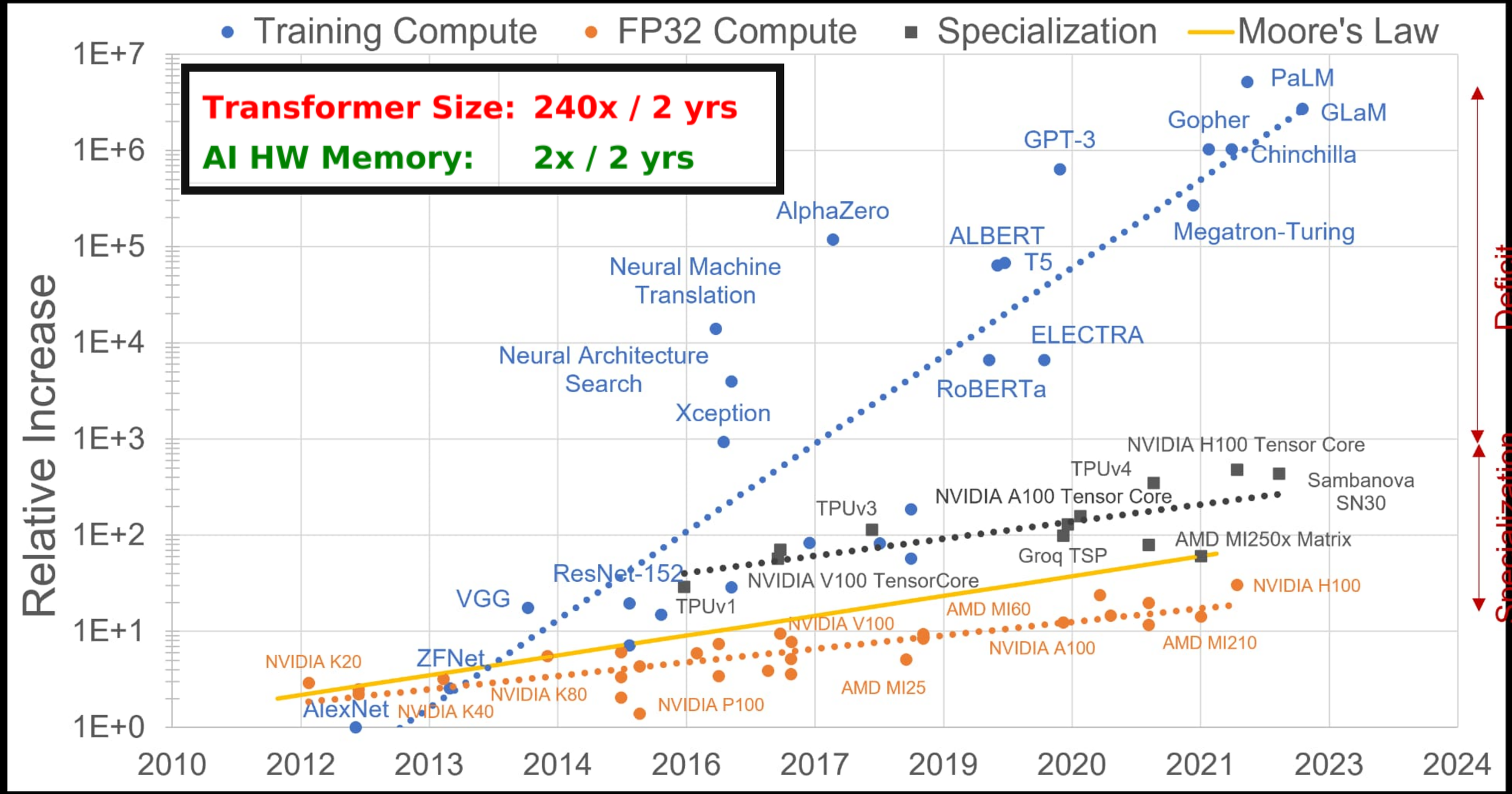
Inference typical LLM:

- **Multiple clusters of >100 GPUs**
- **Model carefully mapped onto hardware**

Why can this be a problem?

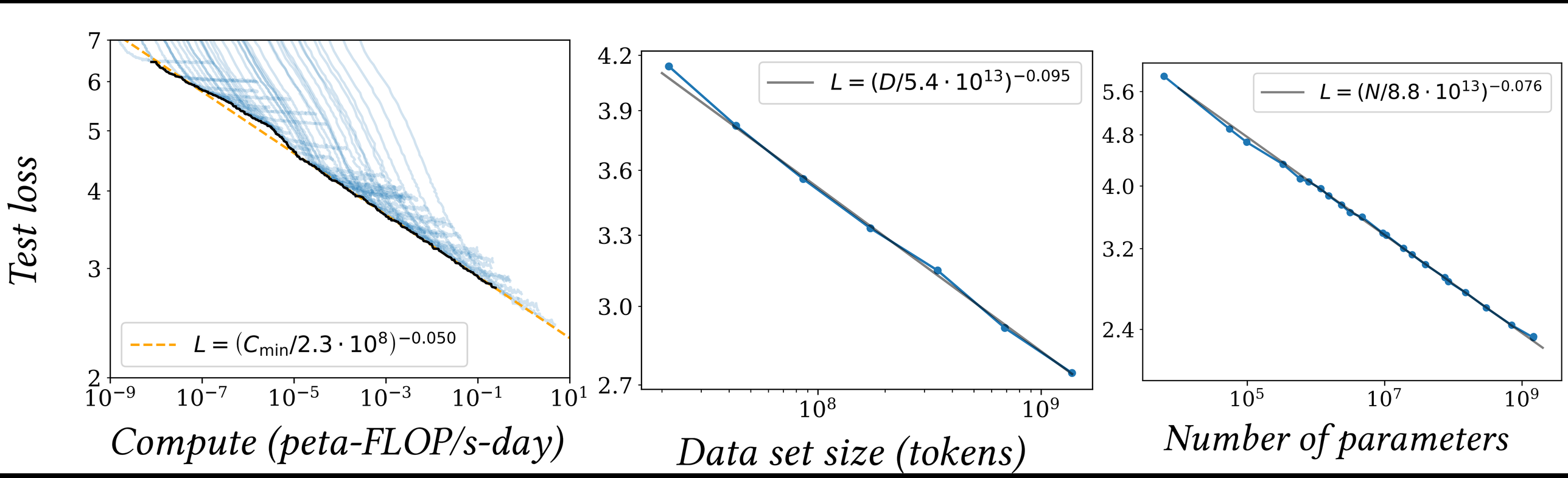


Kartik Hedge

Scaling Laws in AI

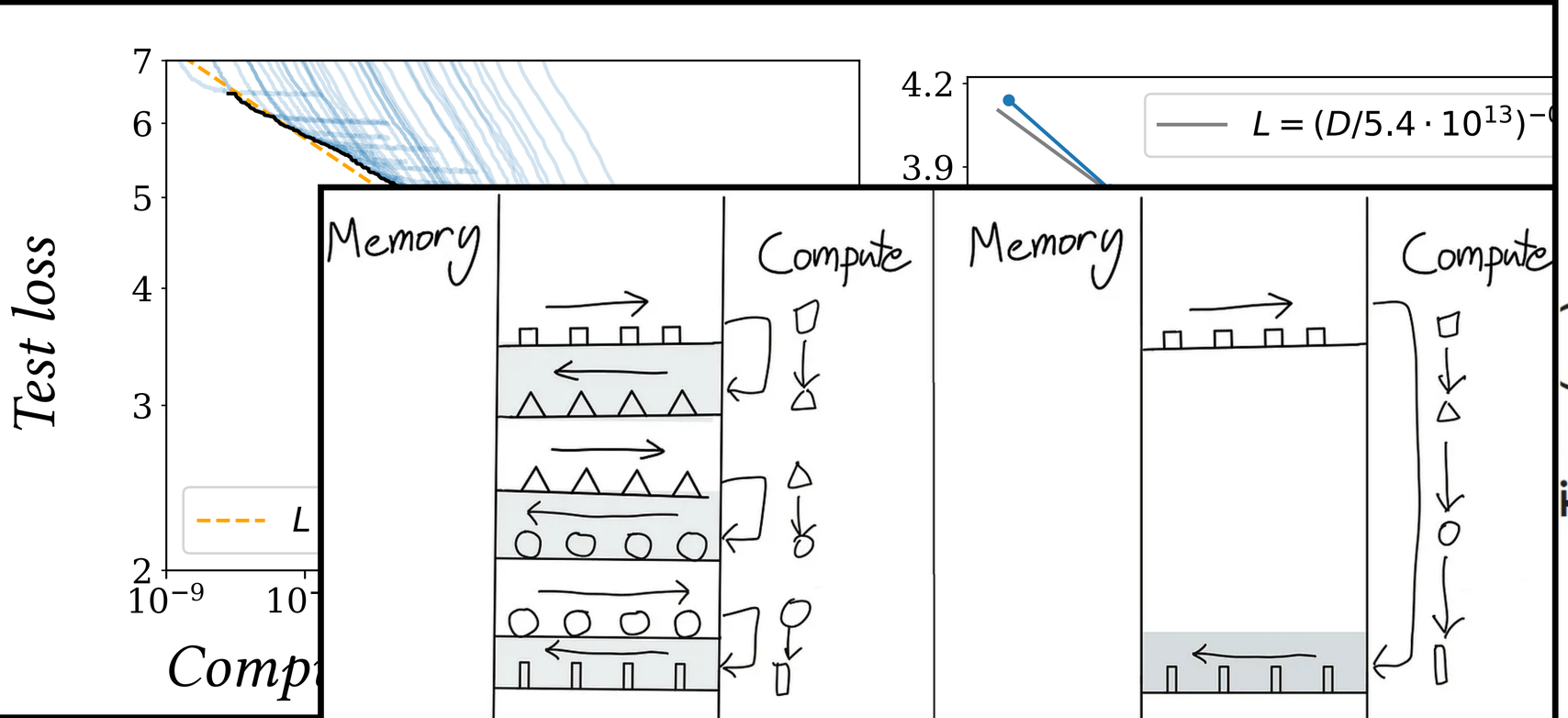
"We study empirical scaling laws for language model performance on the cross-entropy loss. ***The loss scales as a power-law with model size, dataset size, and the amount of compute used for training****, with some trends spanning more than seven orders of magnitude."*

--- OpenAI



Kaplan et al. (2020)

FlashAttention, FlashAttention explained



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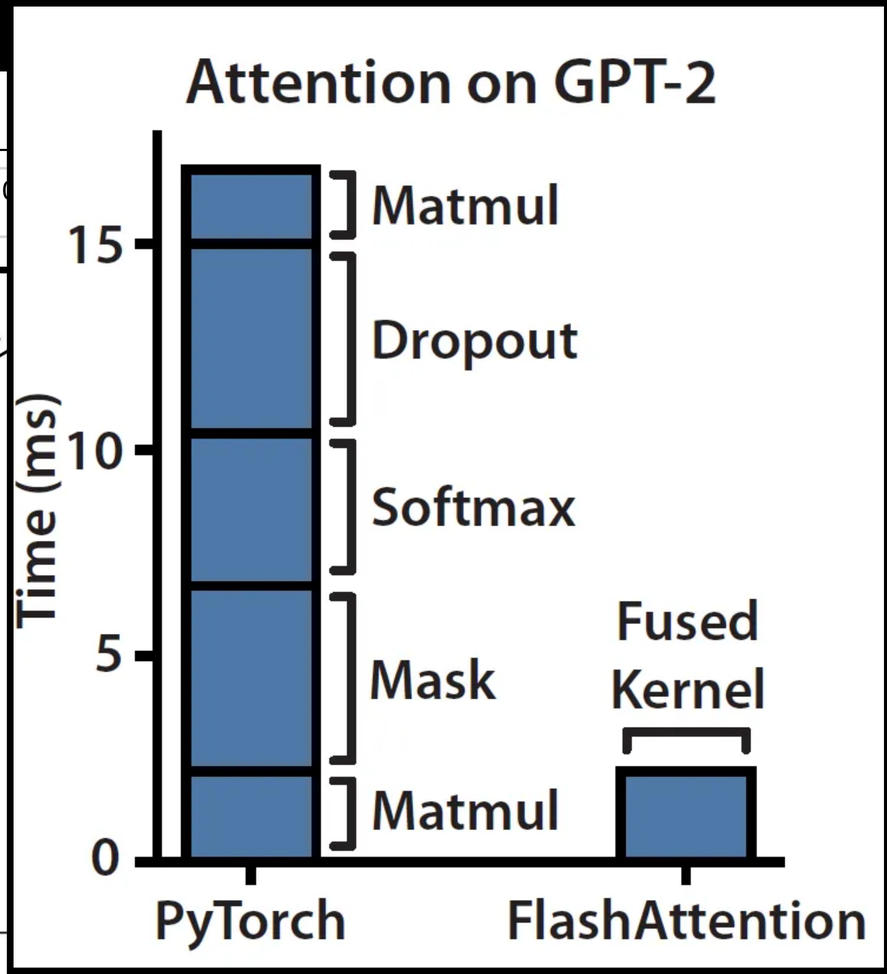

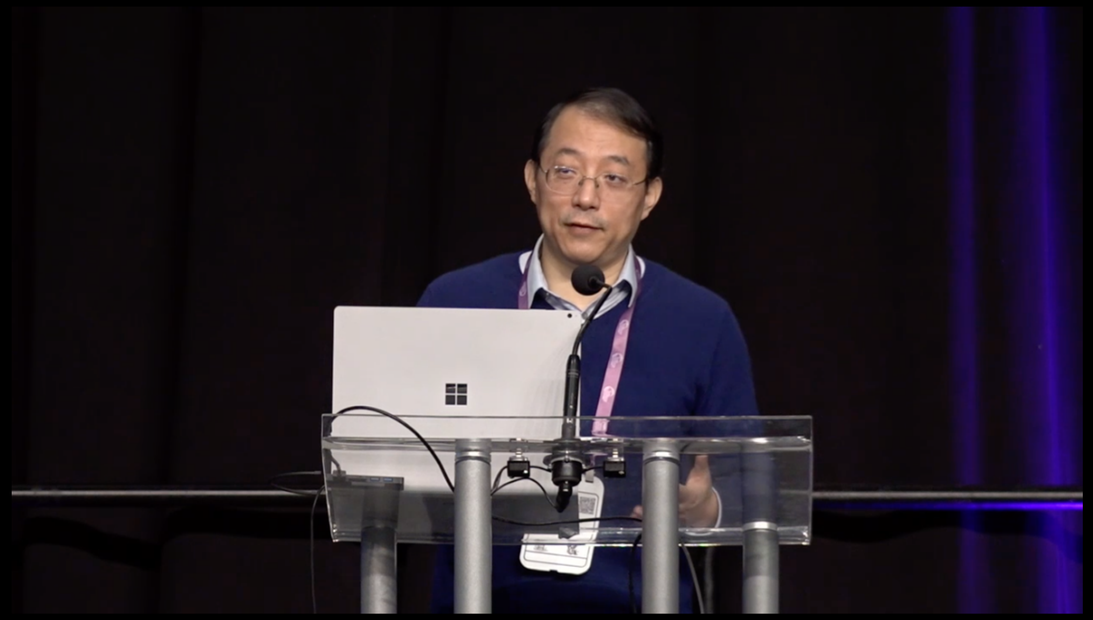

Scaling Folklore in Systems

"You can't scale by throwing hardware at the problem forever"

- Scale exacerbates hidden flaws and inefficiencies
- Everything fails at scale
- Scaling is sub-linear
- Scaling requires revisiting assumptions

"We know you cant scale a system by throwing hardware at it forever."

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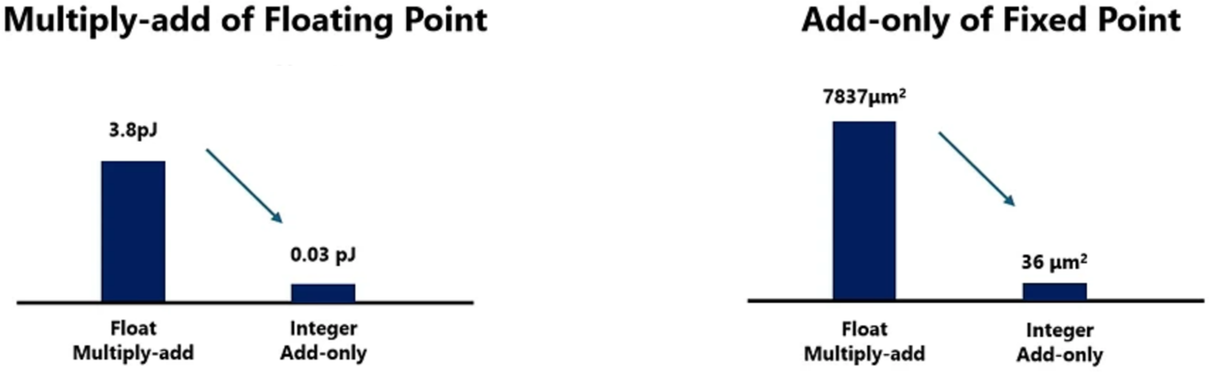
A Potential Efficiency Revolution



1.1 Computing's energy problem (and what we can do about it) | IEEE Conference Publication | IEEE Xplo

The Era of 1-bit LLMs: All Large Language Models are in 1.58 Bits

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https://aka.ms/GeneralAI

Abstract

Recent research, such as BitNet [WMD+23], is paving the way for a new era of 1-bit Large Language Models (LLMs). In this work, we introduce a 1-bit LLM variant, namely **BitNet b1.58**, in which every single parameter (or weight) of the LLM is ternary {-1, 0, 1}. It matches the full-precision (i.e., FP16 or BF16) Transformer LLM with the same model size and training tokens in terms of both perplexity and end-task performance, while being significantly more cost-effective in terms of latency, memory, throughput, and energy consumption. More profoundly, the 1.58-bit LLM defines a new scaling law and recipe for training new generations of LLMs that are both high-performance and cost-effective. Furthermore, it enables a new computation paradigm and opens the door for designing specific hardware optimized for 1-bit LLMs.

Pareto Improvement

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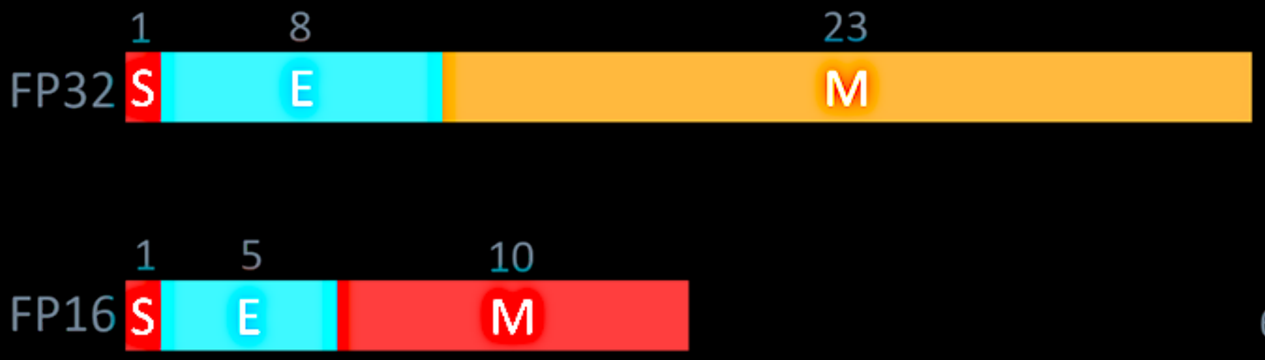
GPT-3

175,000,000,000

FP16 vs FP32

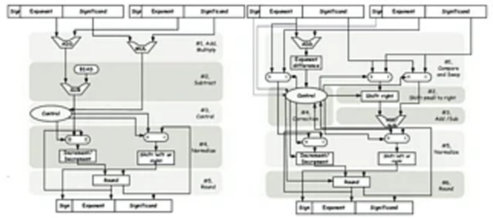


	Range	Accuracy
FP32	10^{-38} - 10^{38}	0.000006%
FP16	$6x10^{-5}$ - $6x10^{4}$	0.05%

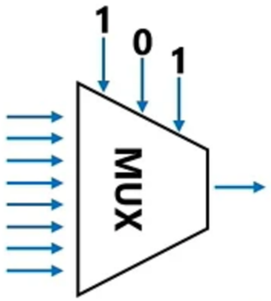
→ ~700 GB
(175B × 4B/par)
→ 9 NVIDIA A100s

→ ~350 GB
(175B × 2B/par)
→ 4.5 NVIDIA A100 ($10 000/ea)

LUT (Lookup Table) stores precomputed results for quick retrieval to replace expensive runtime computations. It is **Fast, Efficient and Simple.**



MAC (Multiply-accumulate)



LUT (Lookup Tables)

Only the Simple Can Scale, LUTs are among the simplest.

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Compressing deep neural networks on FPGAs to binary and ternary precision with hls4ml

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Where else might you want to use this type of “efficient” models?

EDGE

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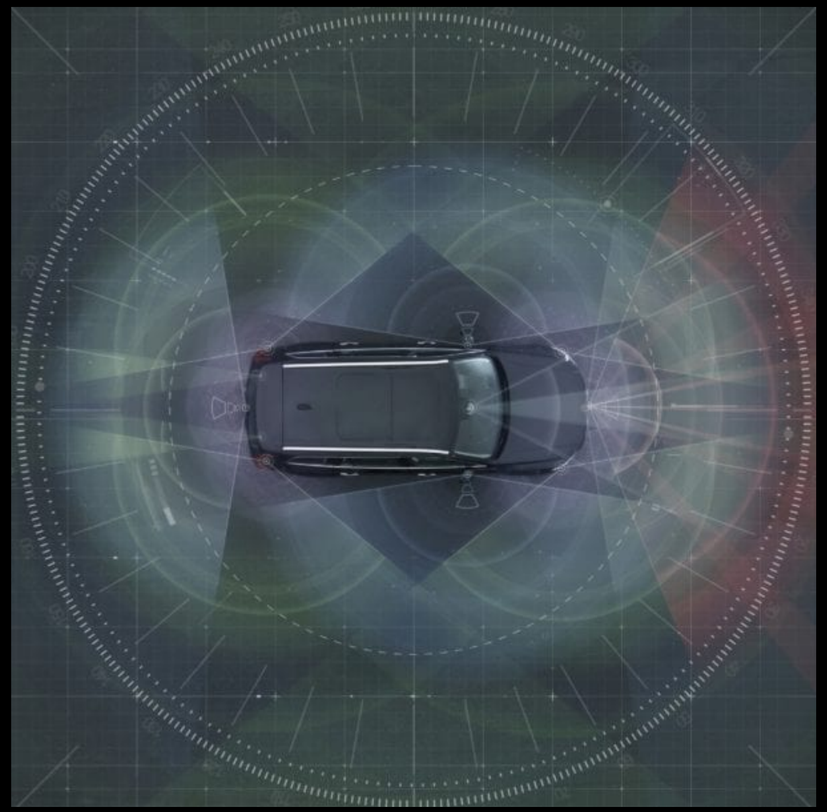

ASIC/GPU

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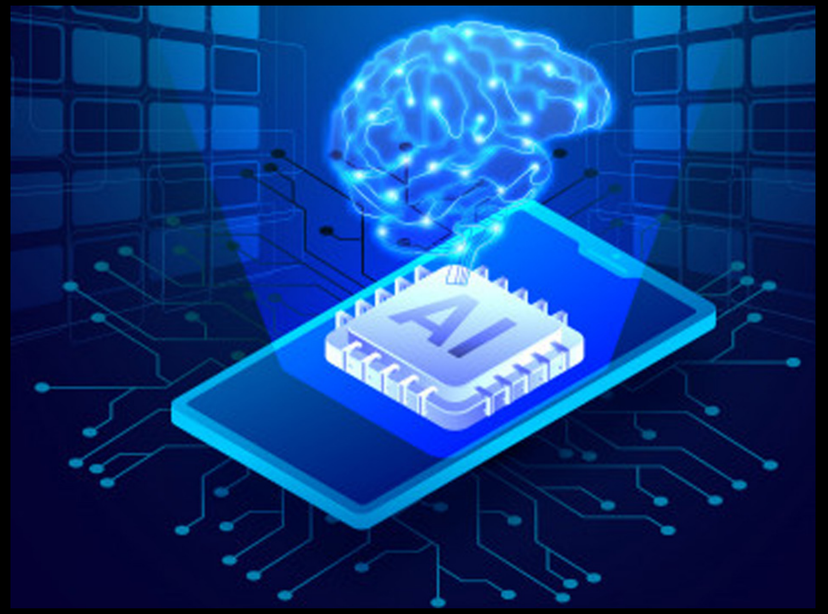

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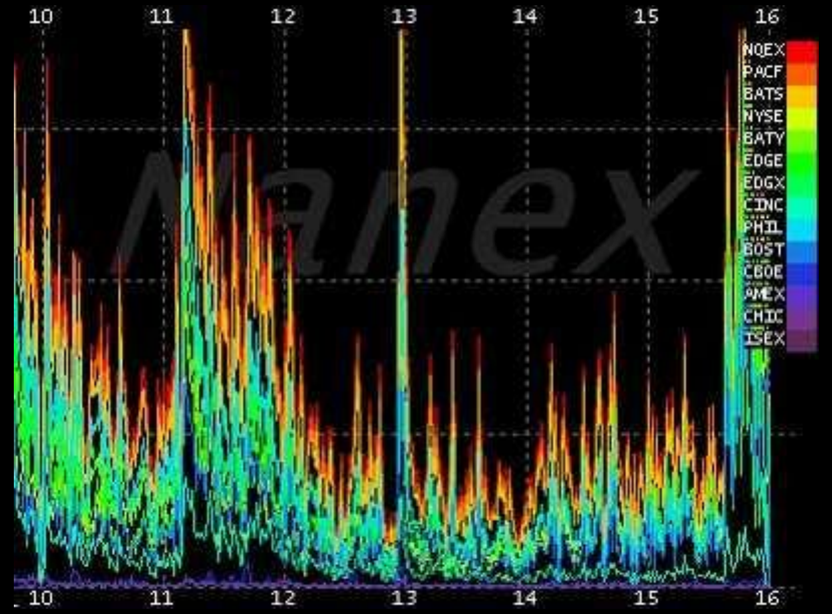


FPGA

Low power

On-device

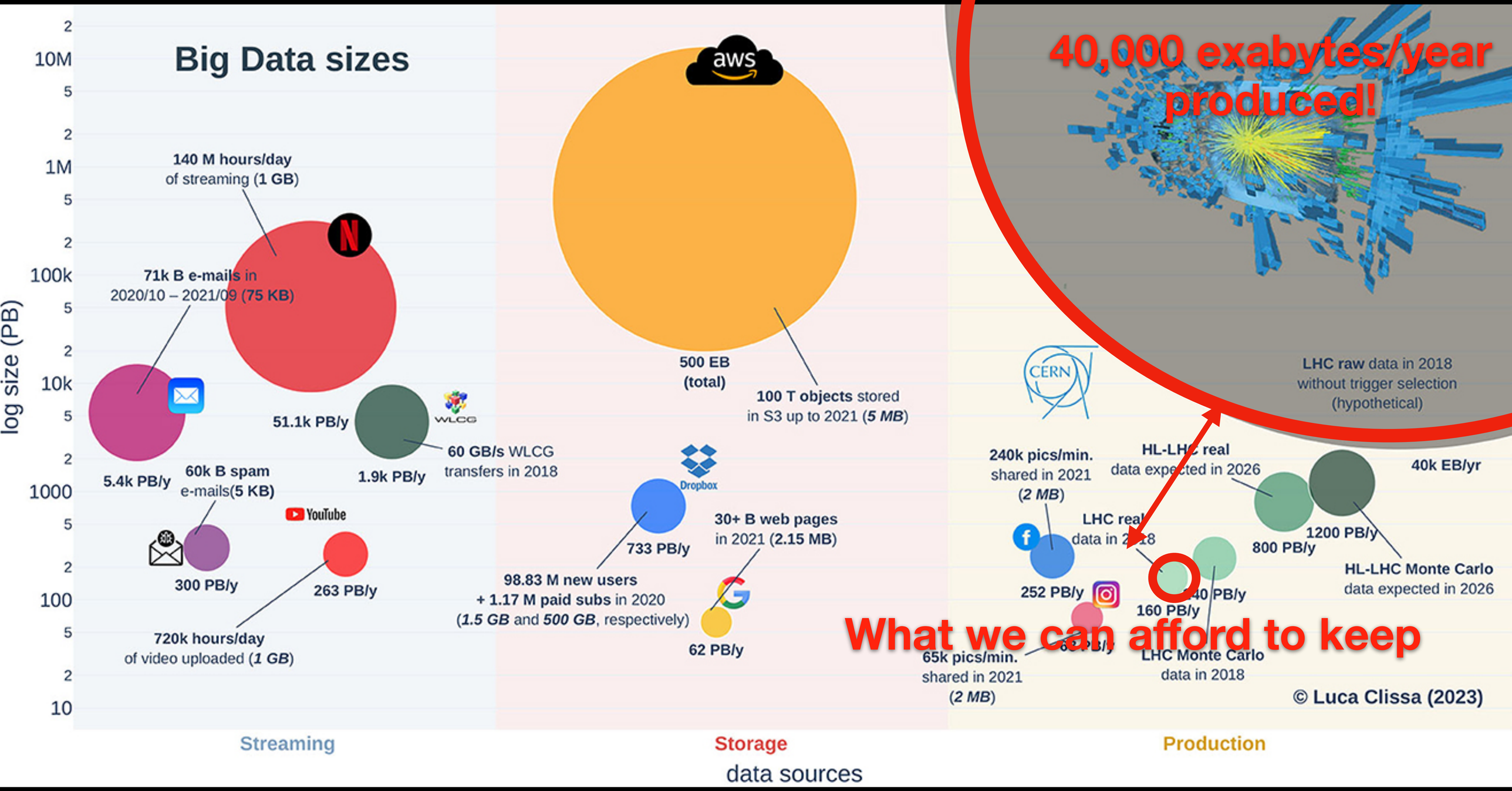
High-throughput

EFFICIENT ML ALGORITHMS

(Data-efficient)

Low-latency

Why do we need this in big science?


Big Data sizes
log size (PB)
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10M
5
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10
140 M hours/day
of streaming (1 GB)
71k B e-mails in
2020/10 – 2021/09 (75 KB)
5.4k PB/y
60k B spam
e-mails(5 KB)
300 PB/y
720k hours/day
of video uploaded (1 GB)
263 PB/y
51.1k PB/y
1.9k PB/y
60 GB/s WLCG
transfers in 2018
500 EB
(total)
100 T objects stored
in S3 up to 2021 (5 MB)
733 PB/y
98.83 M new users
+ 1.17 M paid subs in 2020
(1.5 GB and 500 GB, respectively)
30+ B web pages
in 2021 (2.15 MB)
62 PB/y
40,000 exabytes/year
produced!
LHC raw data in 2018
without trigger selection
(hypothetical)
240k pics/min.
shared in 2021
(2 MB)
252 PB/y
65k pics/min.
shared in 2021
(2 MB)
LHC real
data in 2018
160 PB/y
LHC Monte Carlo
data in 2018
HL-LHC real
data expected in 2026
800 PB/y
40k EB/yr
1200 PB/y
HL-LHC Monte Carlo
data expected in 2026
What we can afford to keep
© Luca Clissa (2023)
Streaming
Storage
Production
data sources

1958-1965 The Ferranti Mercury (vacuum tube)

Magnetic core storage 4 × 32K × 20 bits (~4*80 KB)

1963: IBM 7090 (transistor technology)
Tape storage and FORTRAN!

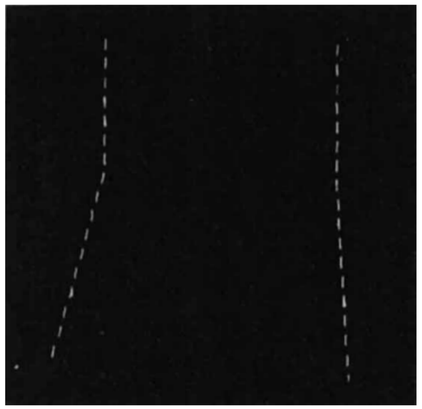


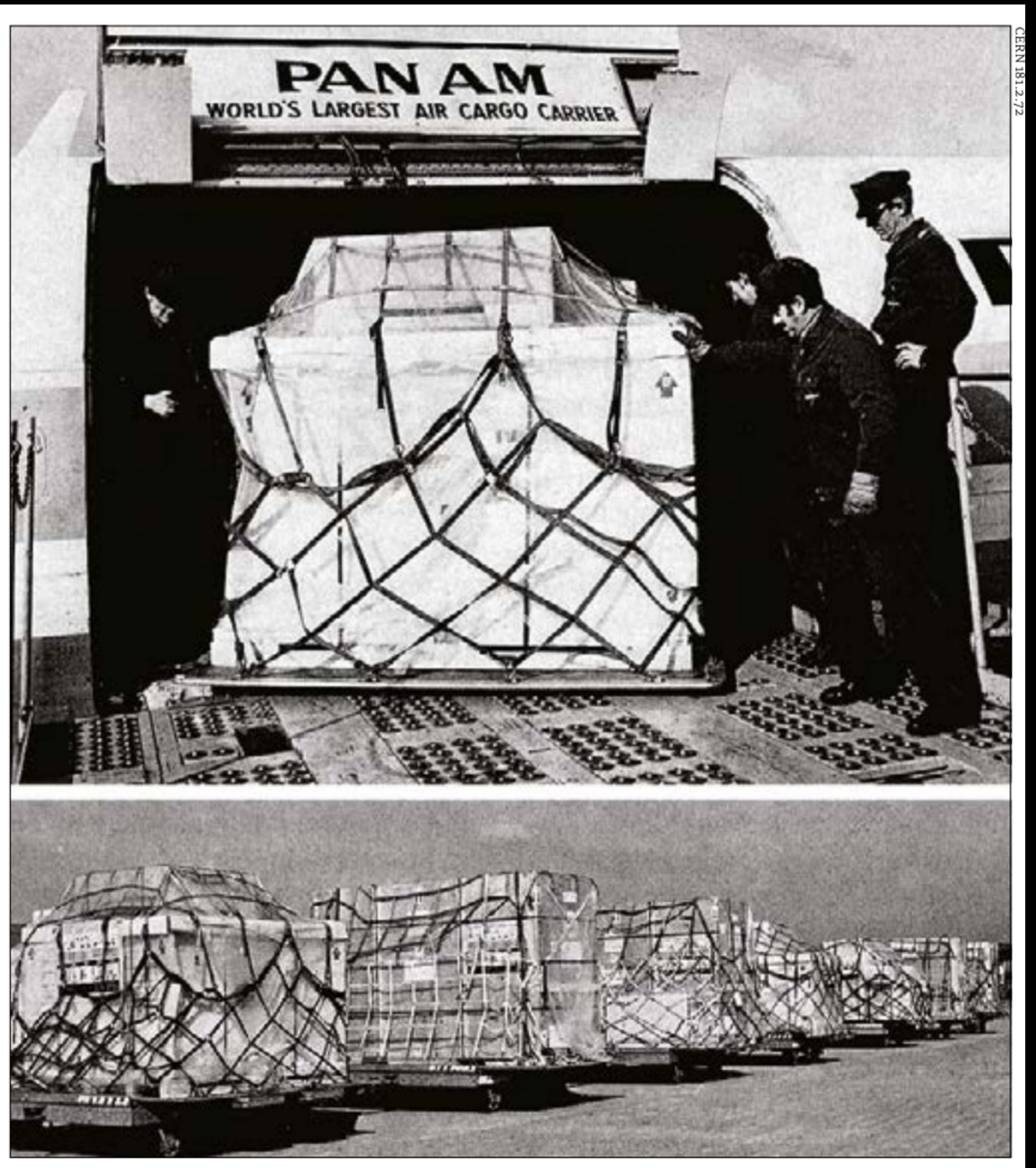
FIG. 16. Scattering of a 300 MeV proton (CRONIN and RENNINGER, 1960).

of the absence of background tracks. In a typical experiment Cork took 100,000 photographs at a rate of 10,000 per day and the analysis time was about 3 weeks.

Could analyse 300,000 frames of spark-chamber data!

everything had to go through the accumulator, the cpu was blocked during I/O. It was immediately clear that there was a big mismatch between the power of the computing engine and its input/output capability.

1972: CDC 7600
Most powerful computing system in Europe



450,000 processor cores, 10 000 servers.
> 90% provided through private cloud based on OpenStack

Handling 45 Petabytes per week
Storage capacity ~3 exabytes (tape and disk) - 10 trillion times bigger than the Ferranti!
Reading rate 1 TB/s

1989: WWW

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                                                The World Wide Web project

                                WORLD WIDE WEB

The WorldWideWeb (W3) is a wide-area hypermedia[1] information retrieval
initiative aiming to give universal access to a large universe of documents.

Everything there is online about W3 is linked directly or indirectly to this
document, including an executive summary[2] of the project, Mailing lists[3] ,
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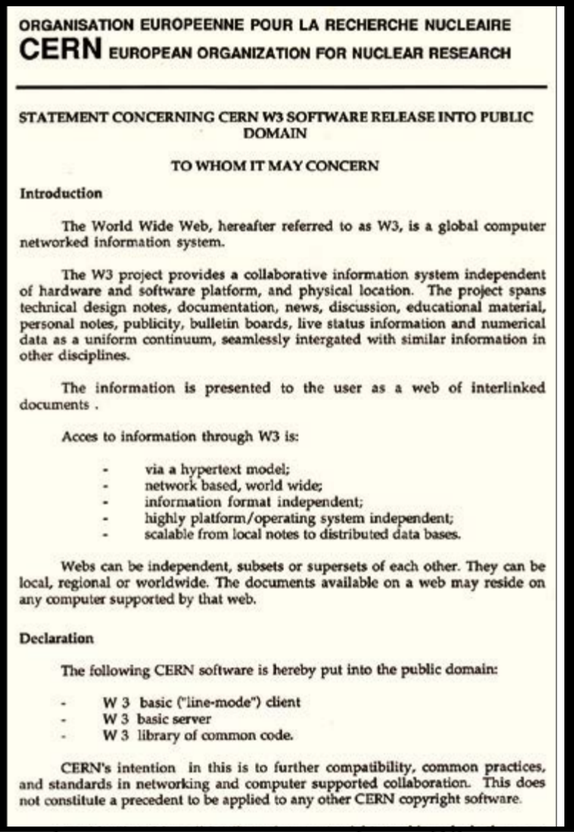

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STATEMENT CONCERNING CERN W3 SOFTWARE RELEASE INTO PUBLIC DOMAIN

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Introduction

The World Wide Web, hereafter referred to as W3, is a global computer networked information system.

The W3 project provides a collaborative information system independent of hardware and software platform, and physical location. The project spans technical design notes, documentation, news, discussion, educational material, personal notes, publicity, bulletin boards, live status information and numerical data as a uniform continuum, seamlessly intergated with similar information in other disciplines.

The information is presented to the user as a web of interlinked documents .

Acces to information through W3 is:

- via a hypertext model;
- network based, world wide;
- information format independent;
- highly platform/operating system independent;
- scalable from local notes to distributed data bases.

Webs can be independent, subsets or supersets of each other. They can be local, regional or worldwide. The documents available on a web may reside on any computer supported by that web.

Declaration

The following CERN software is hereby put into the public domain:

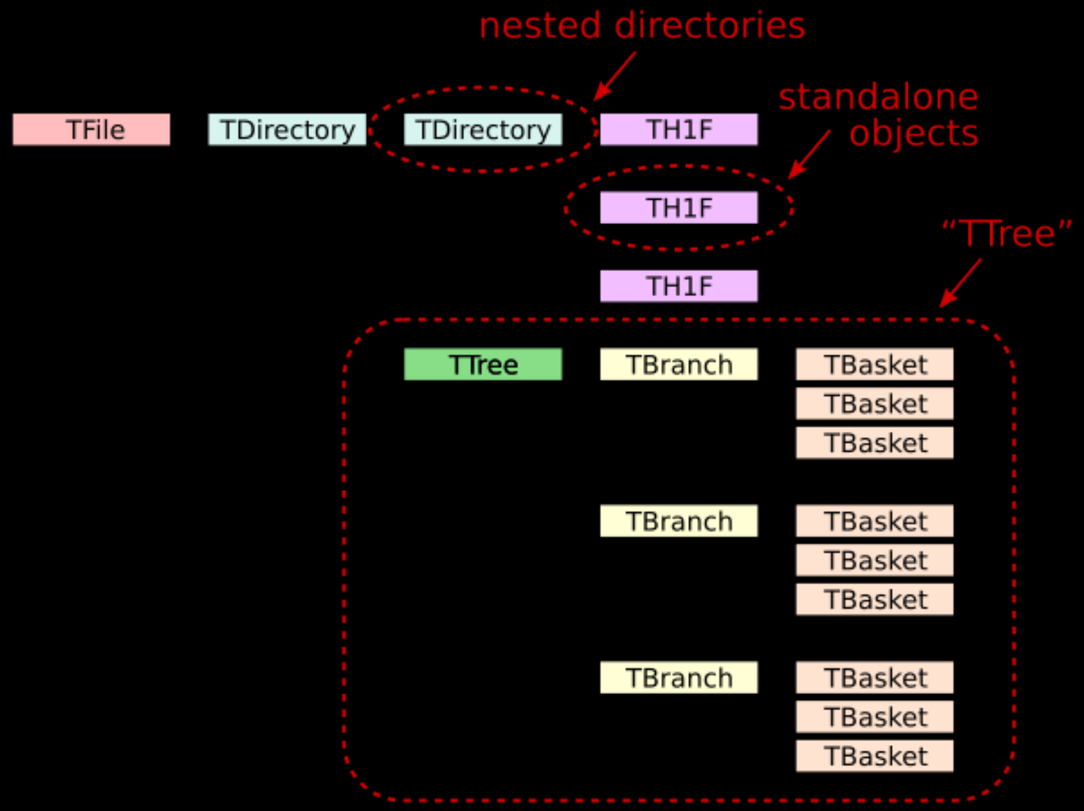
- W 3 basic ("line-mode") client
- W 3 basic server
- W 3 library of common code.

CERN's intention in this is to further compatibility, common practices, and standards in networking and computer supported collaboration. This does not constitute a precedent to be applied to any other CERN copyright software.

WWW8 1999

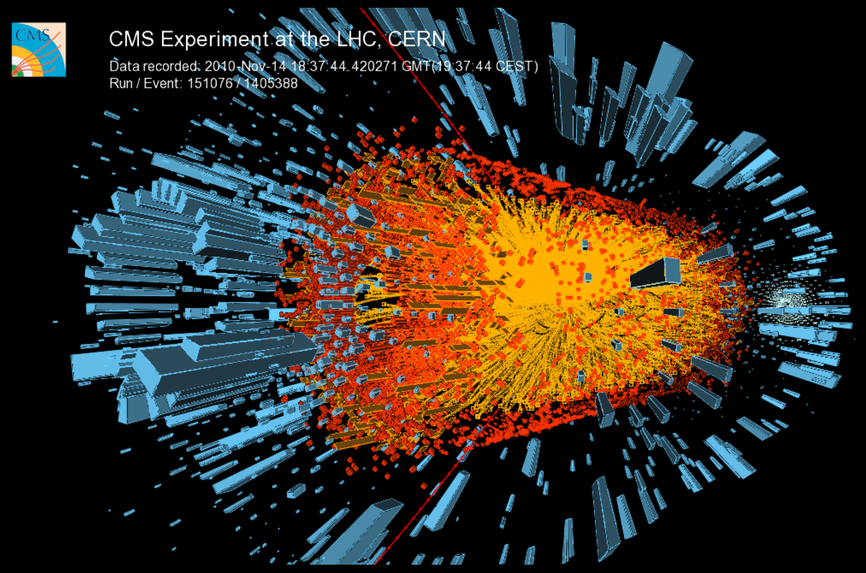
at Microsoft's conference sponsorship. There was grumbling that the delegates' pack included complementary Microsoft CD-ROMs (for Windows only). "Next year," one delegate was overheard to say, while tucking into a spring roll and sipping Chardonnay at the evening reception (courtesy of Bill Gates), "Microsoft will have bought the World Wide Web." However, his fears were not universally held. There is just too much grass-roots stuff going on out there for one company, however powerful, to take over completely.

RNtuple



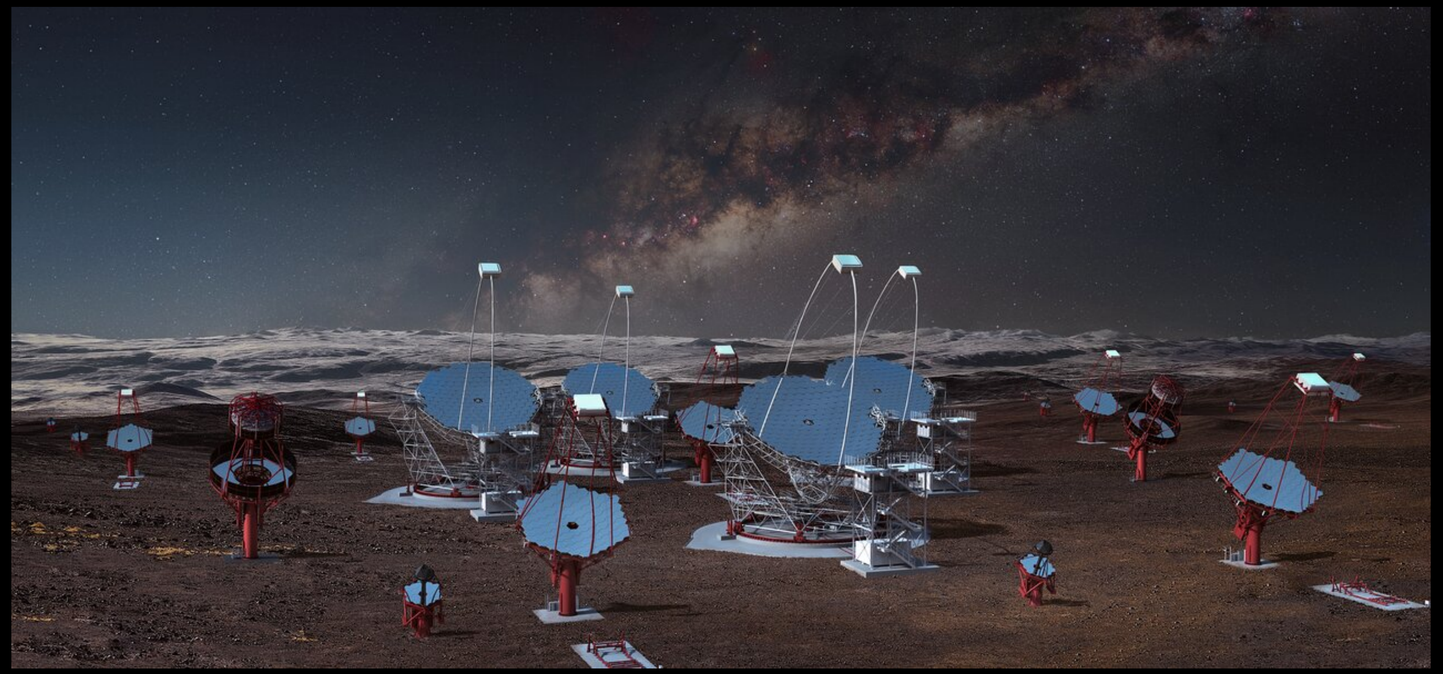
- Invented **our own binary data format**, ROOT TTree, a columnar data format developed > 25 years ago. Stores >2 exabytes of LHC data
- New format for 2031-2041 will store tens of exabytes of data
- Full data analysis stack built on top!

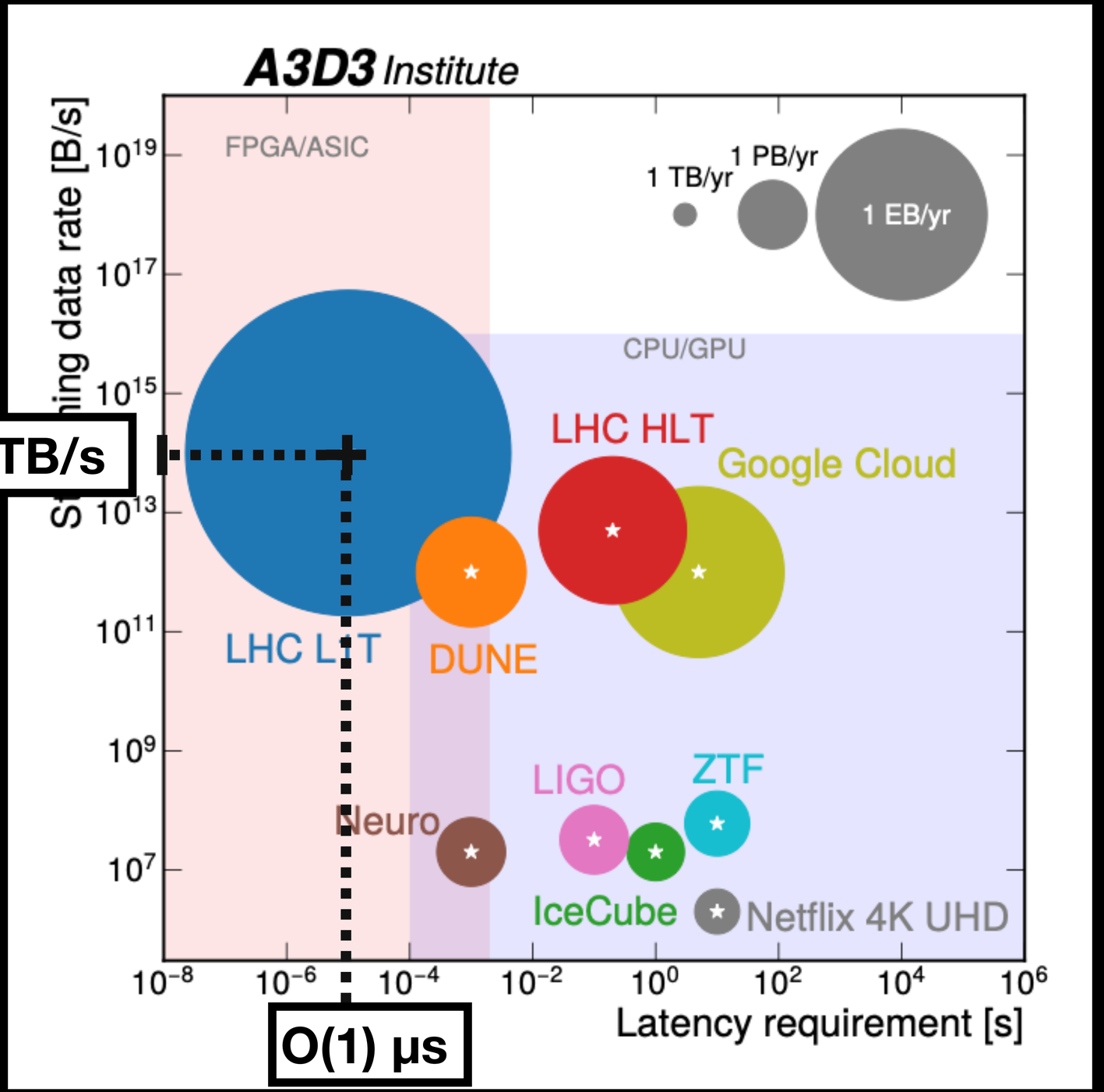
LHC: 1PB/s of proton collisions



LSST: 20 TB/night of images of night sky

CTA: 1,000 Pb/year of Cherenkov telescope data

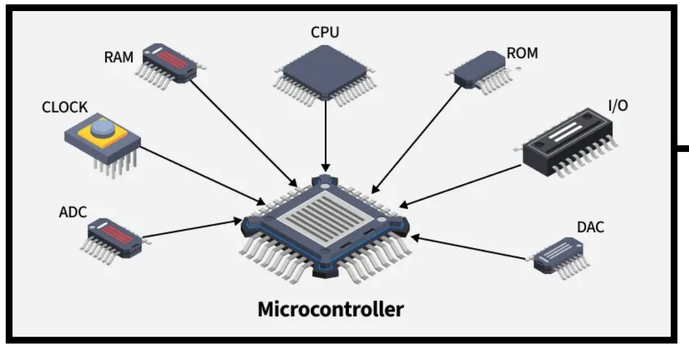




How much data goes through system

Time to process

Fast Machine Learning for HEP



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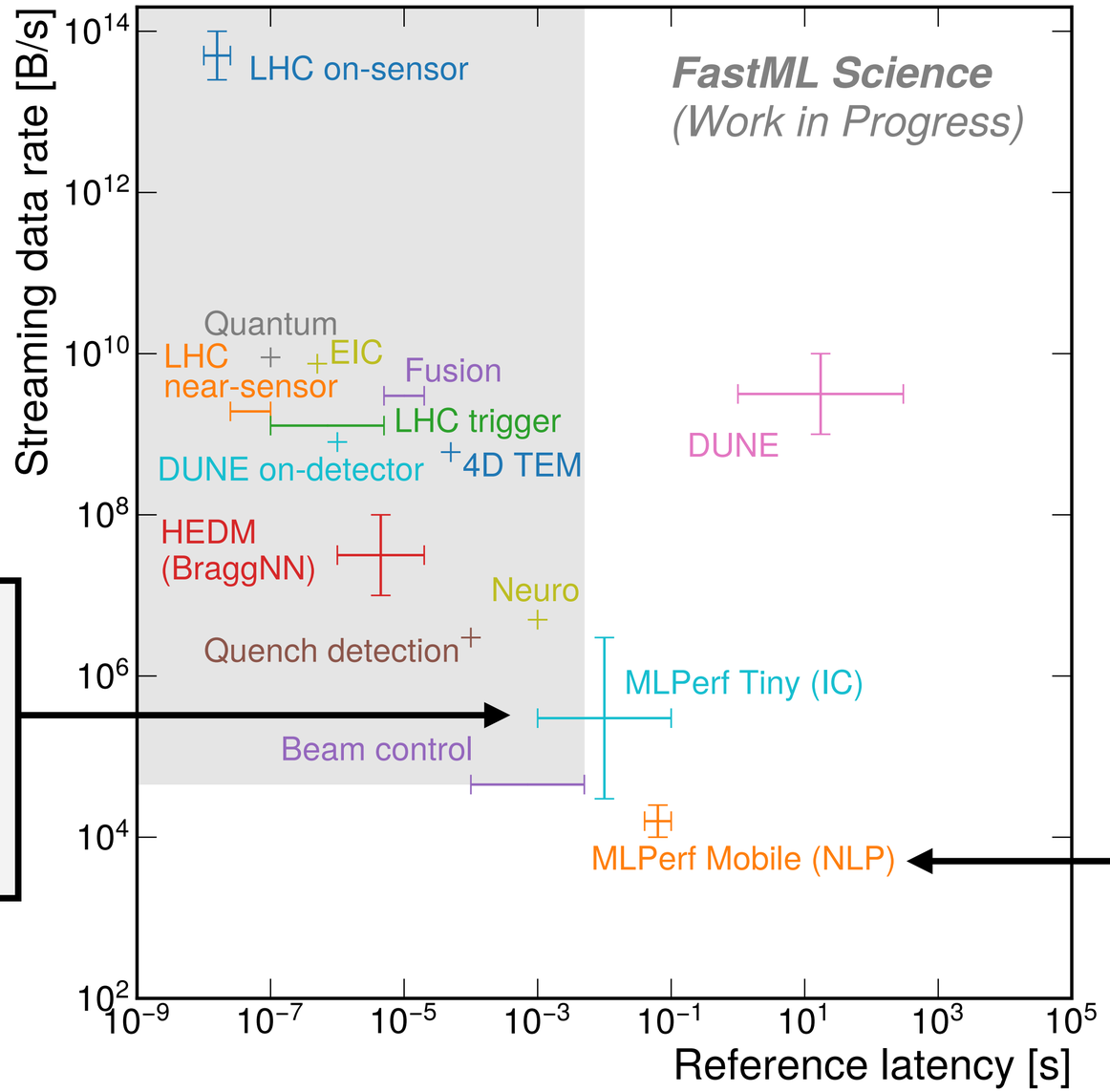

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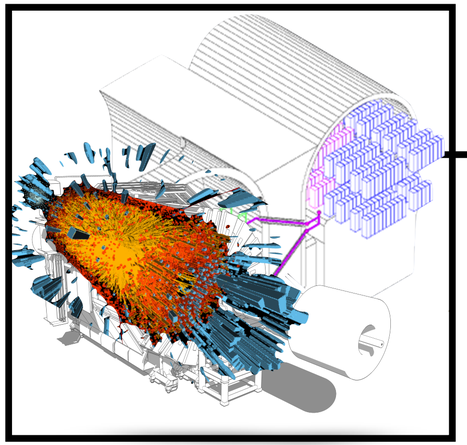

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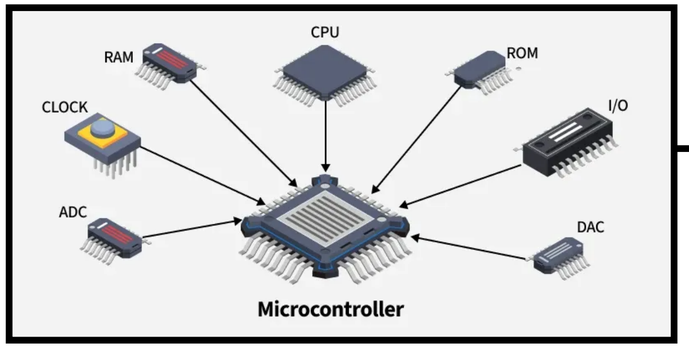

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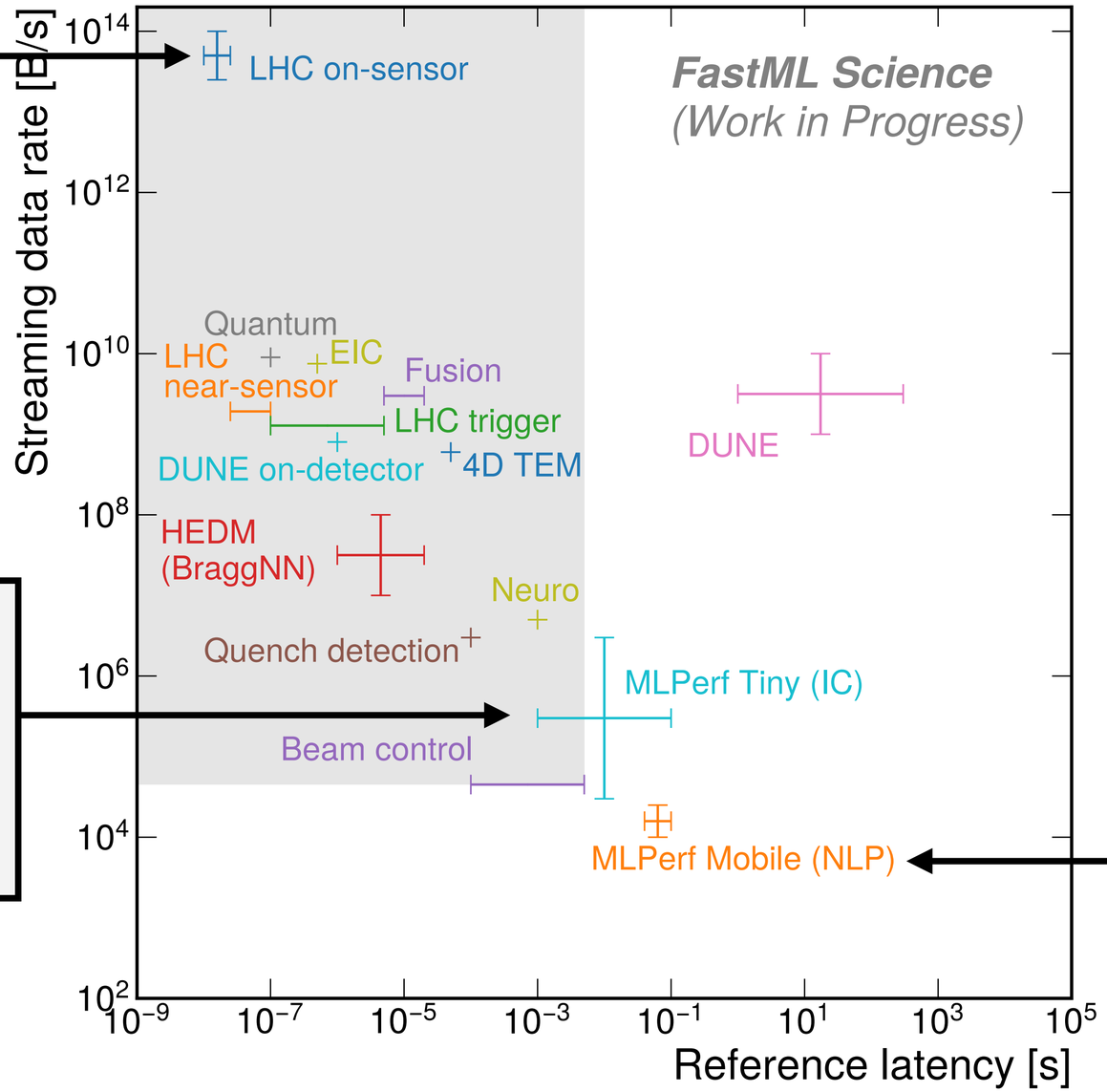

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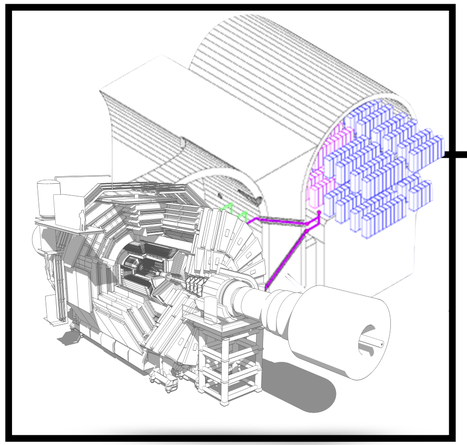

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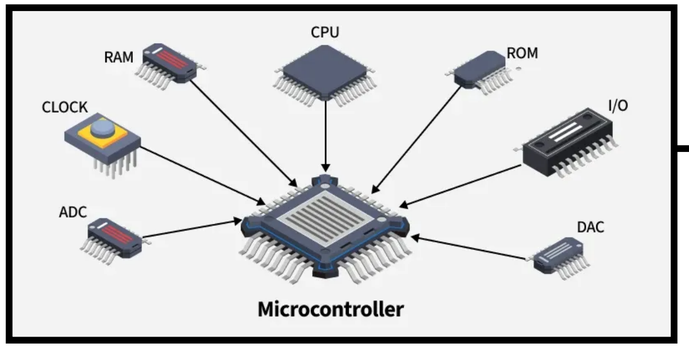

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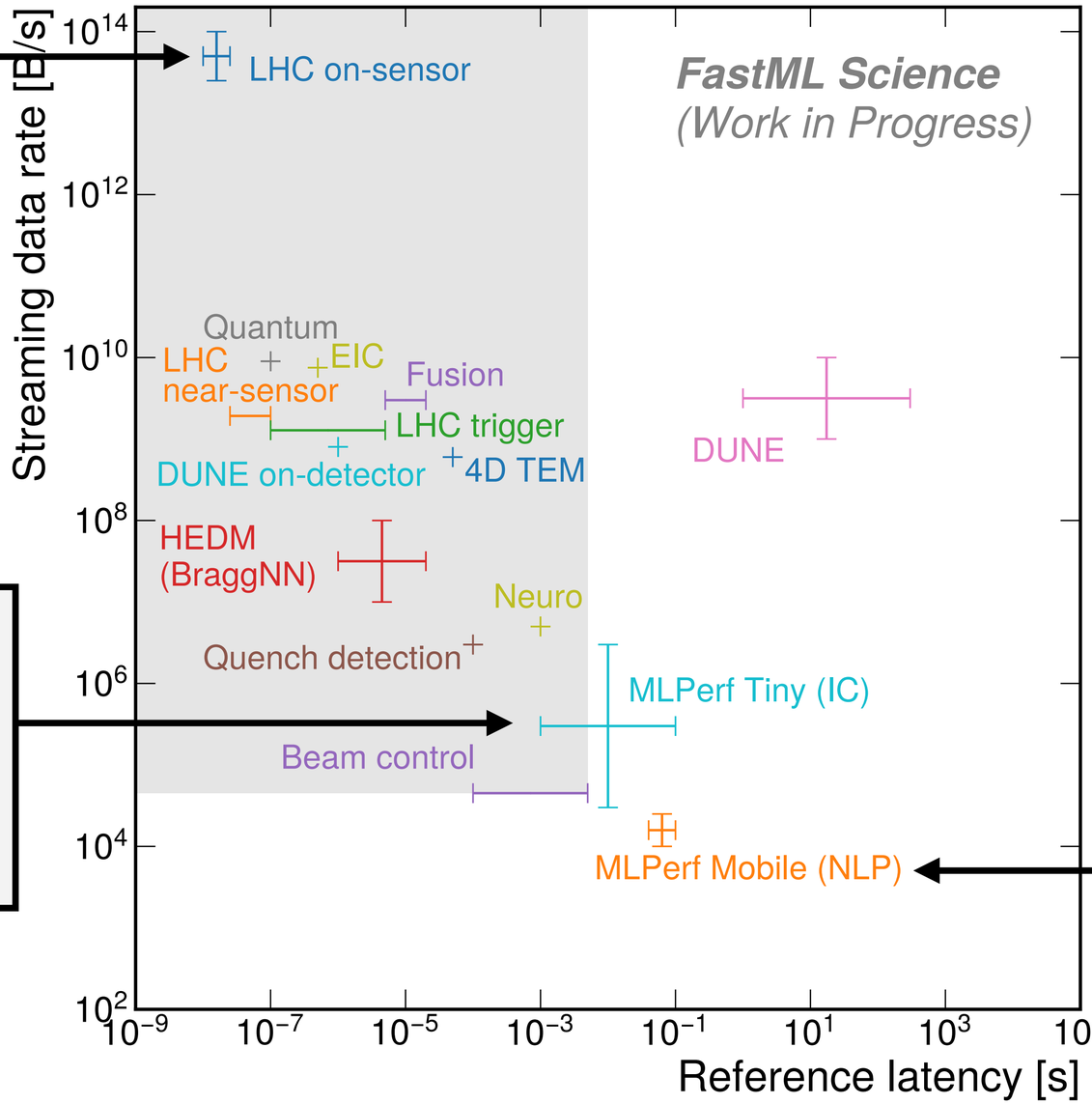

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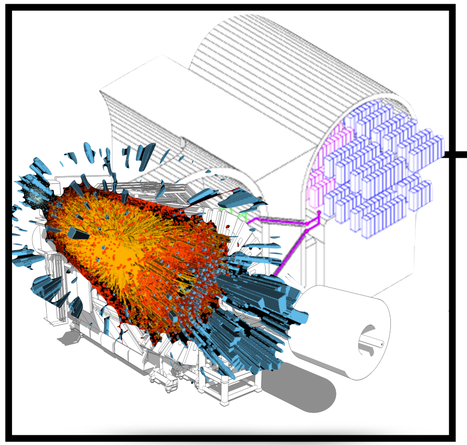

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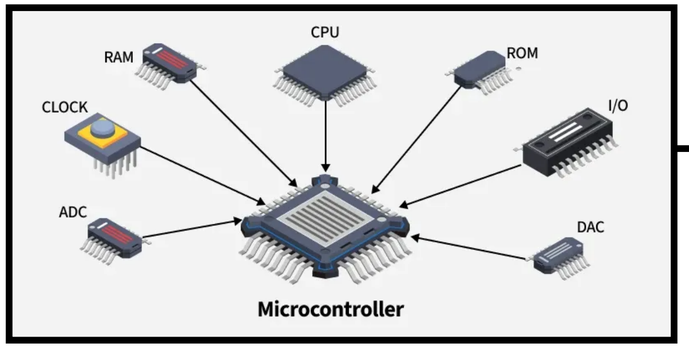

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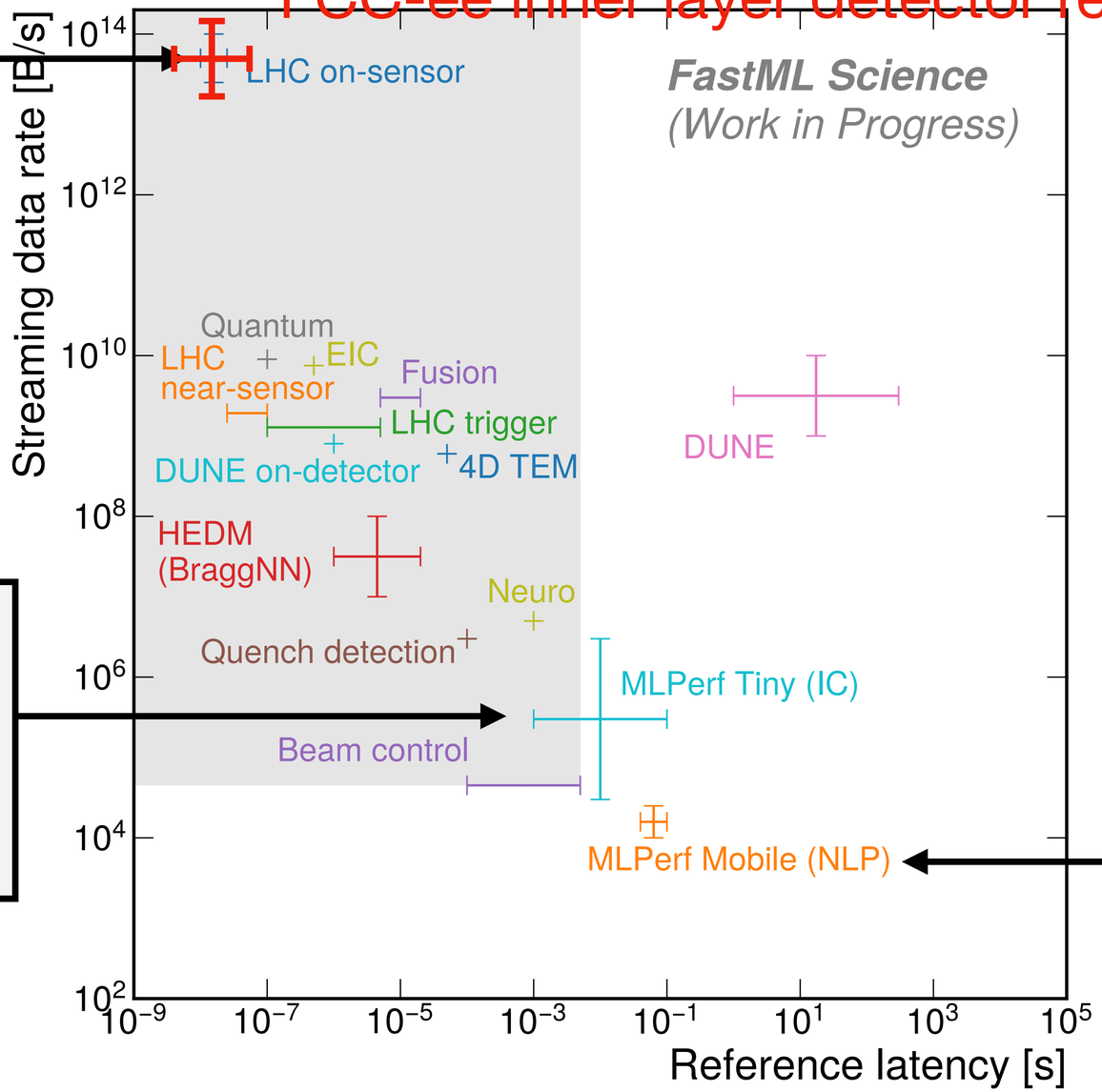

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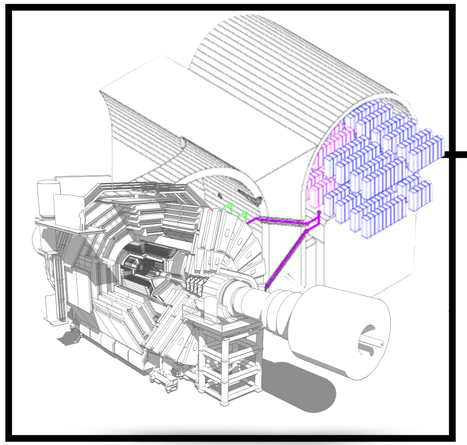

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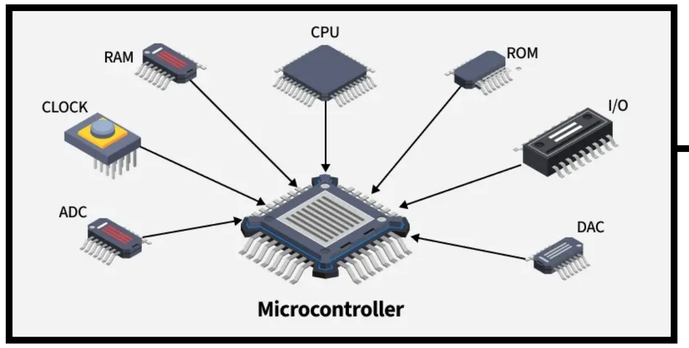

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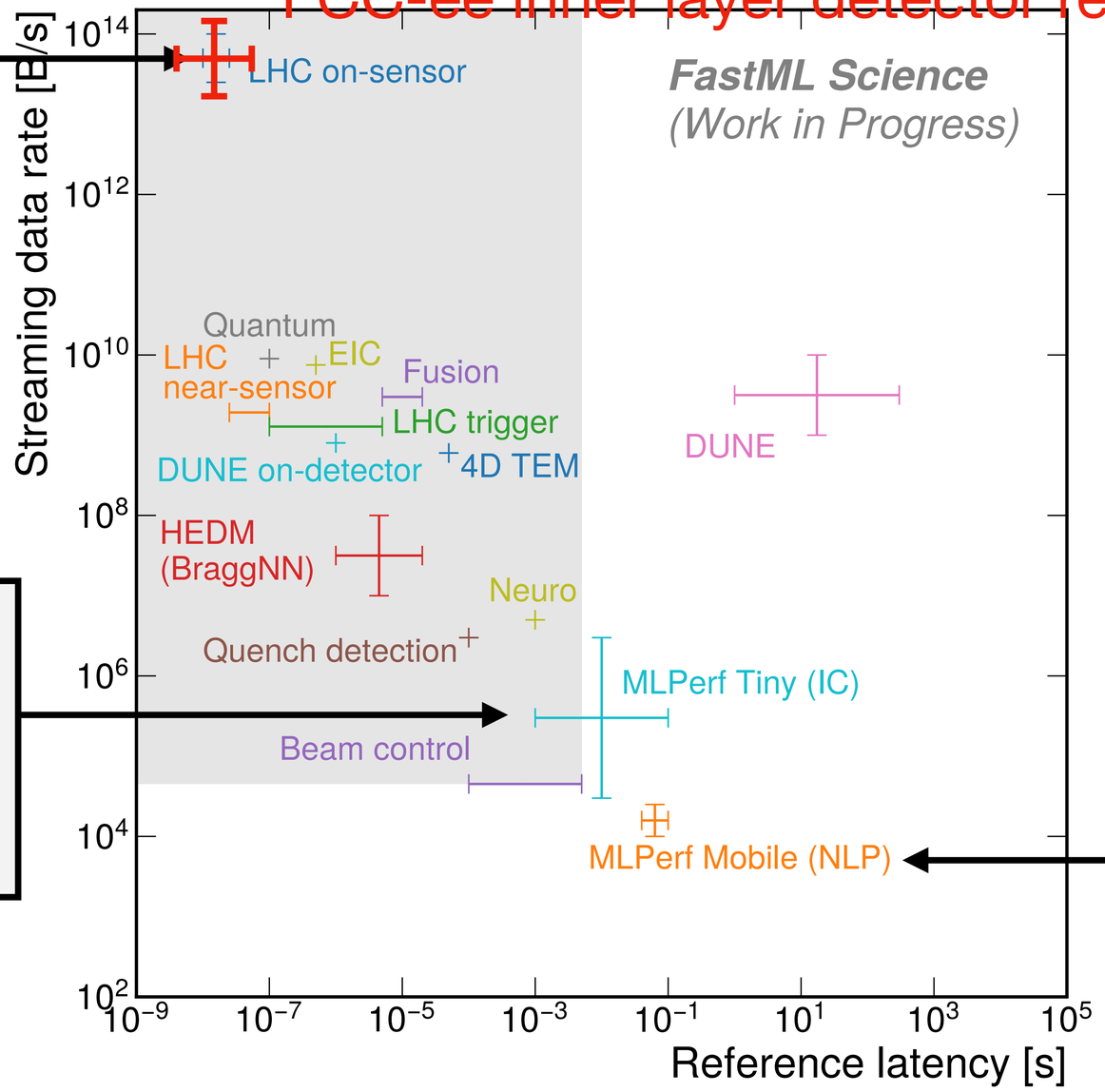
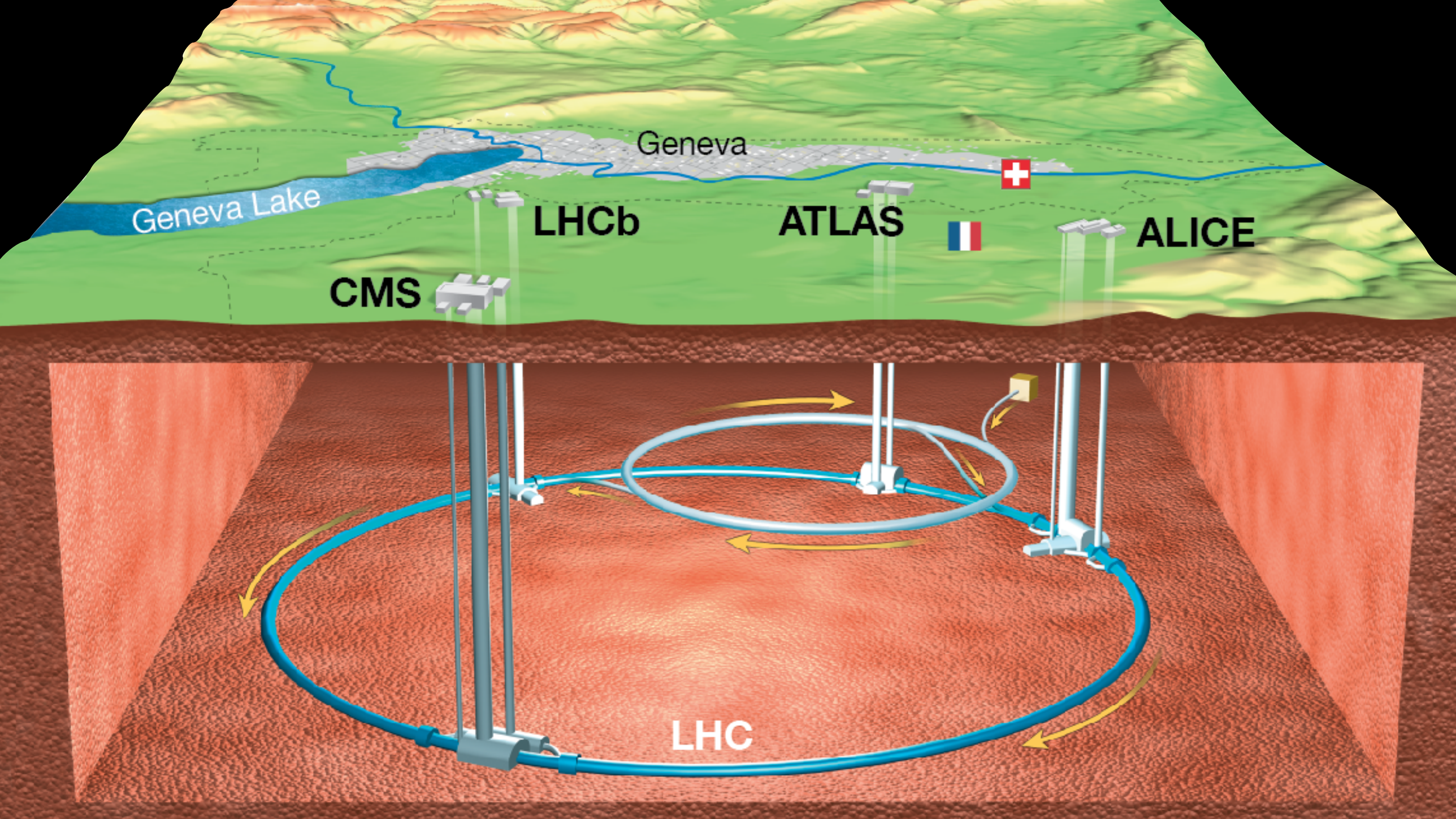


sub-second latency

Real-time systems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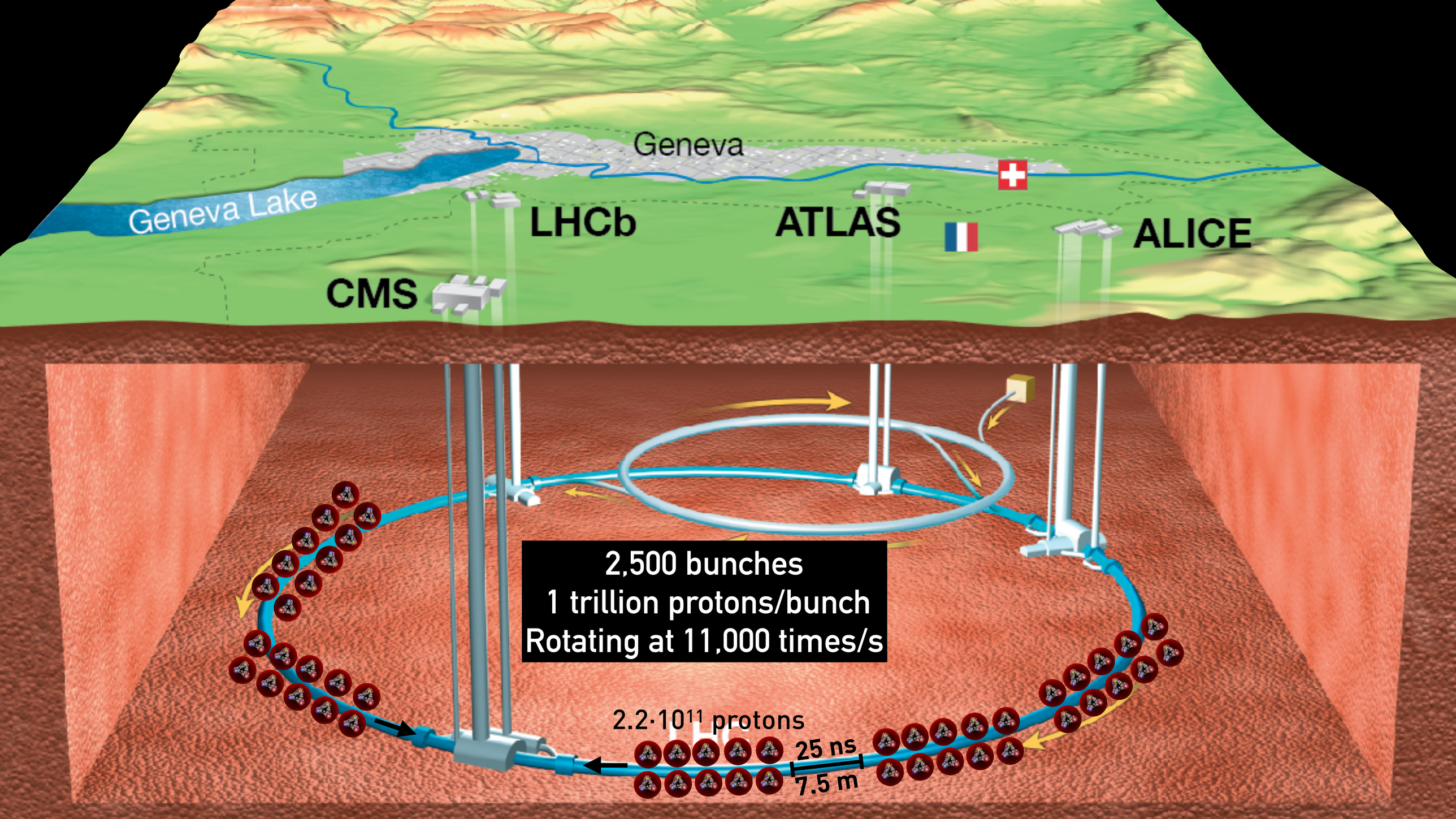
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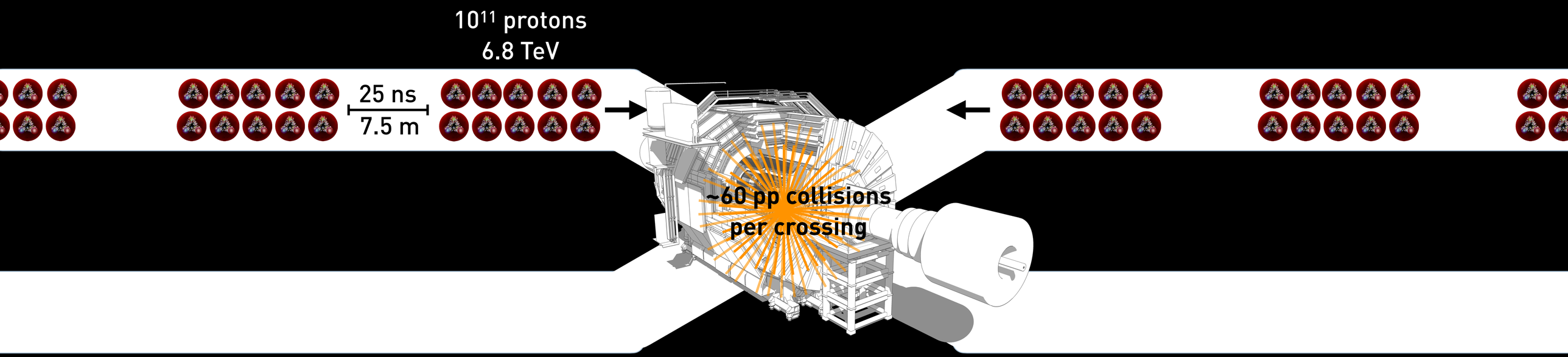
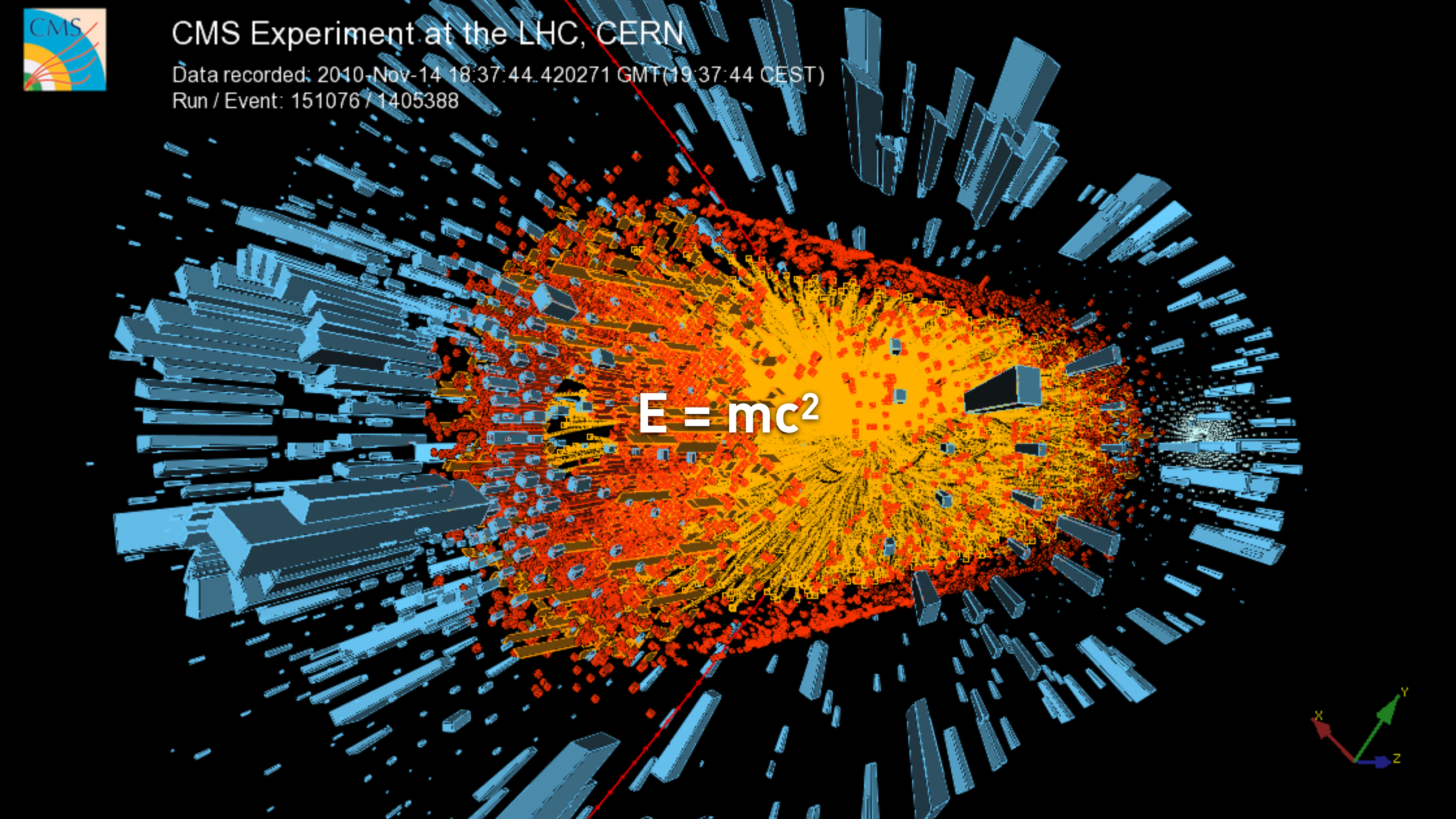
2,500 bunches
1 trillion protons/bunch
Rotating at 11,000 times/s
2.2·10¹¹ protons
25 ns
7.5 m


10^{11} protons
6.8 TeV
25 ns
7.5 m
~60 pp collisions
per crossing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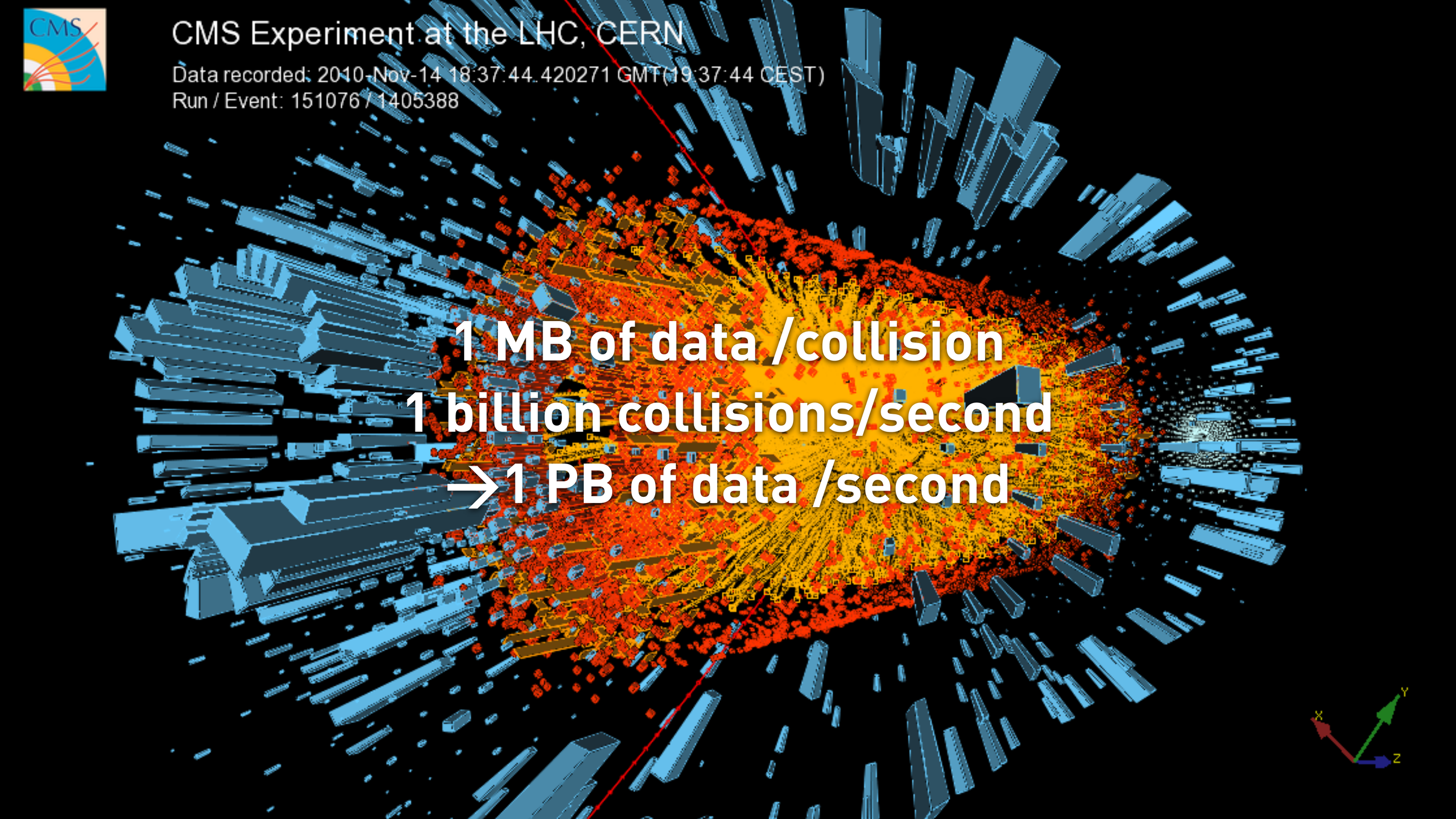
X
Z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1 MB of data /collision
1 billion collisions/second
→1 PB of data /second
Y
X
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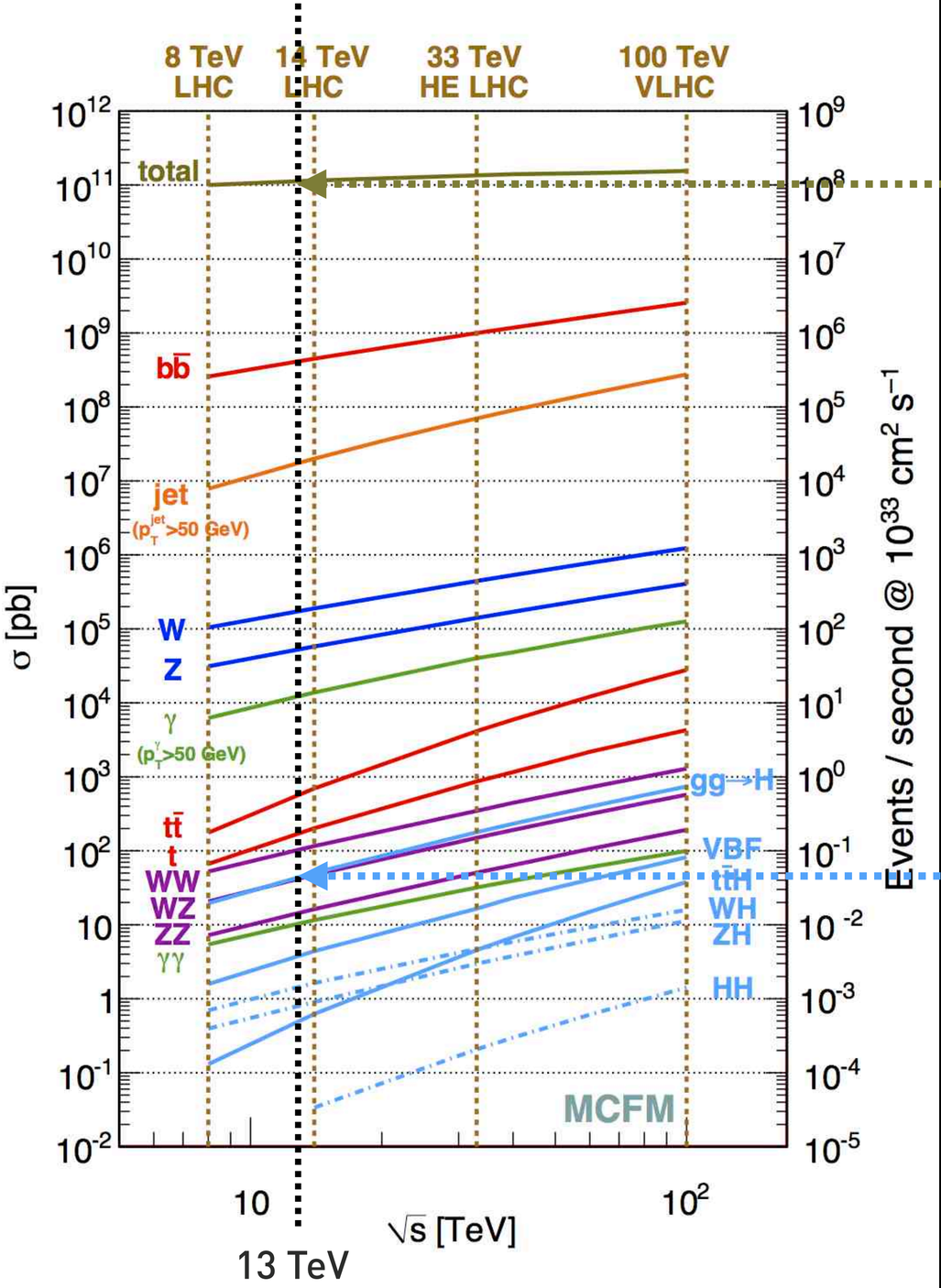
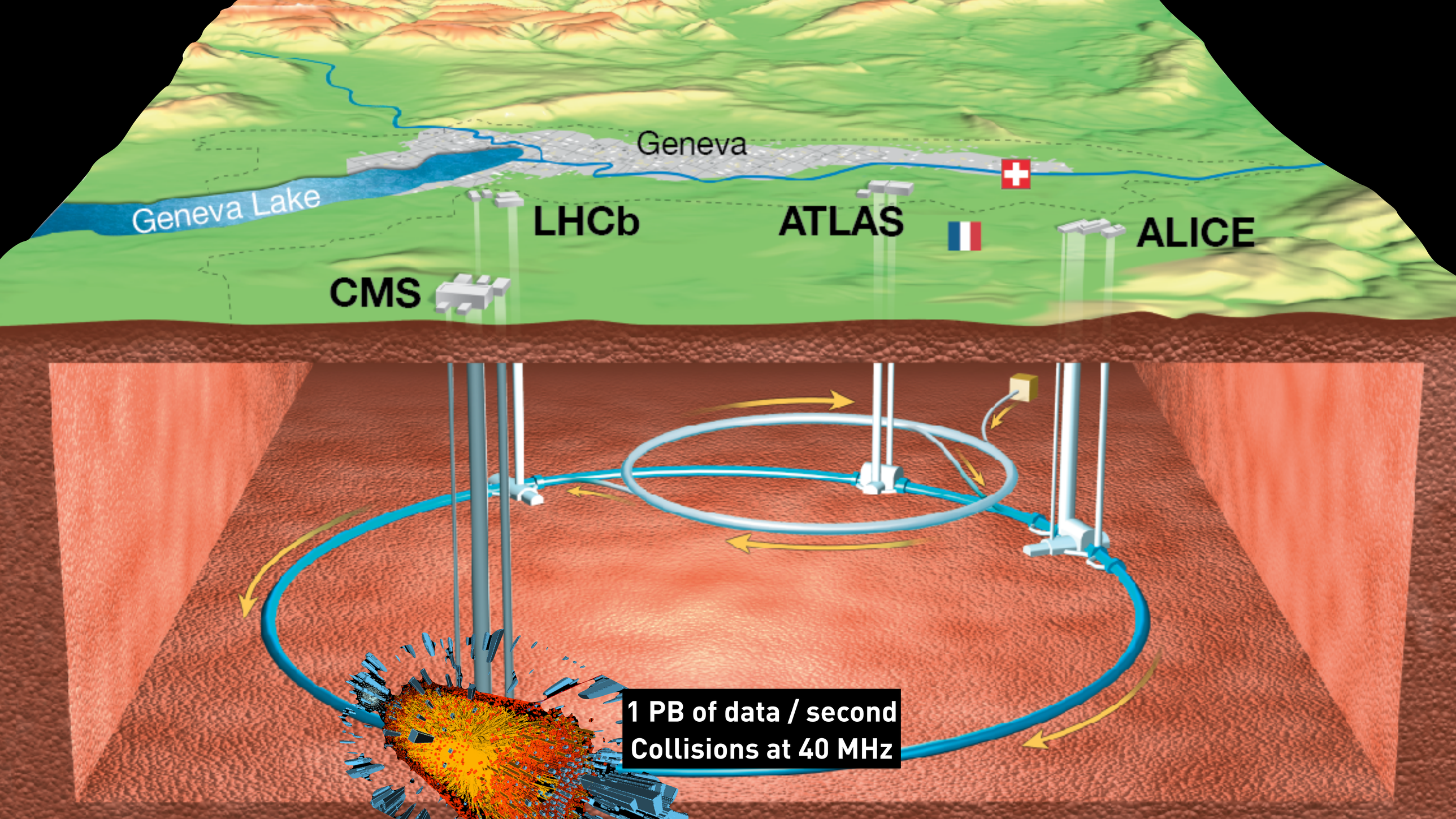


"Probability" of producing "anything"

"Probability" of producing a Higgs

Higgs produced
~1 in a billion collisions!

Saving all collisions not useful
(even if we could)!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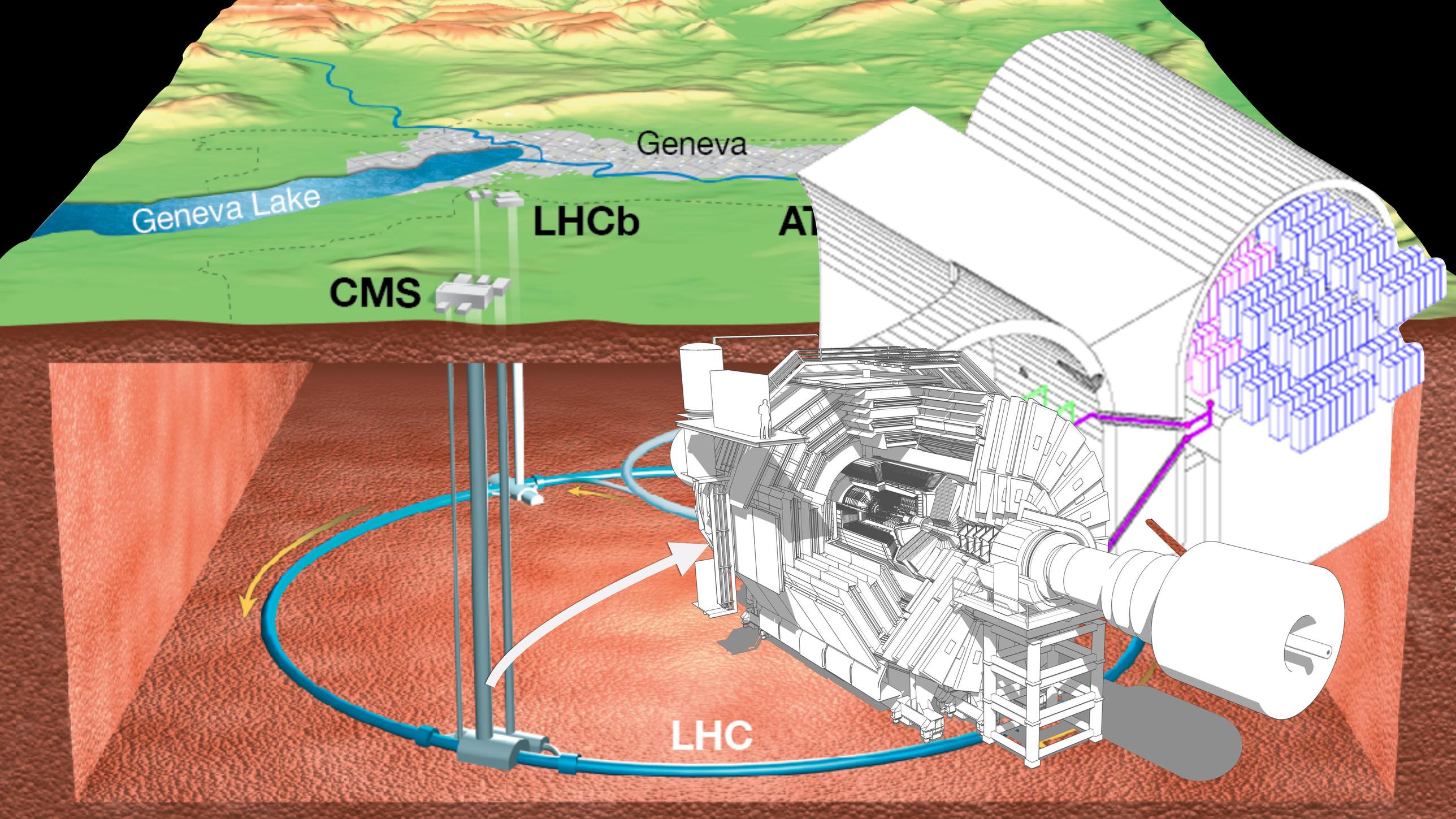
1 PB of data / second
Collisions at 40 MHz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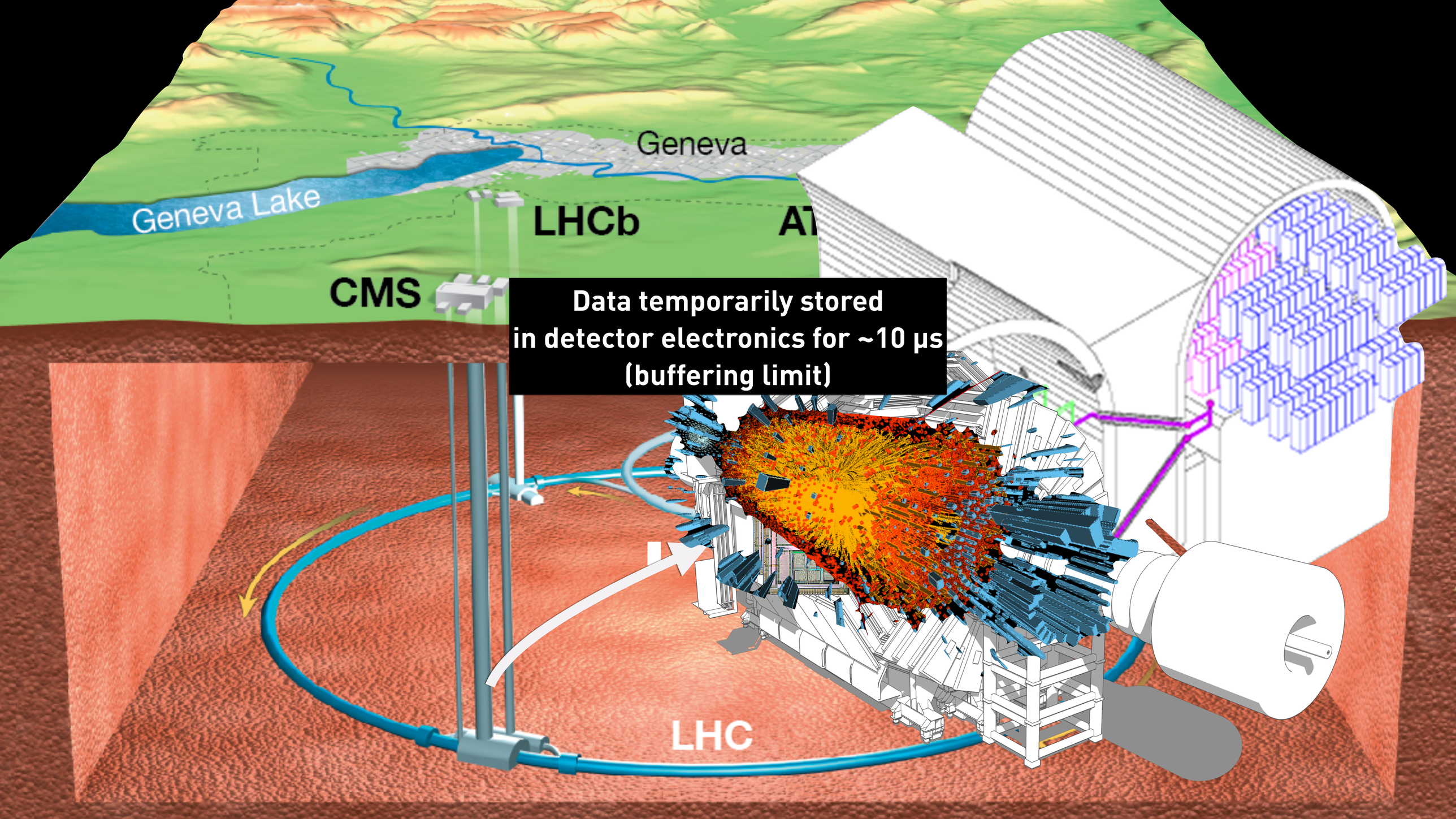
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Data temporarily stored
in detector electronics for ~10 µs
(buffering limit)
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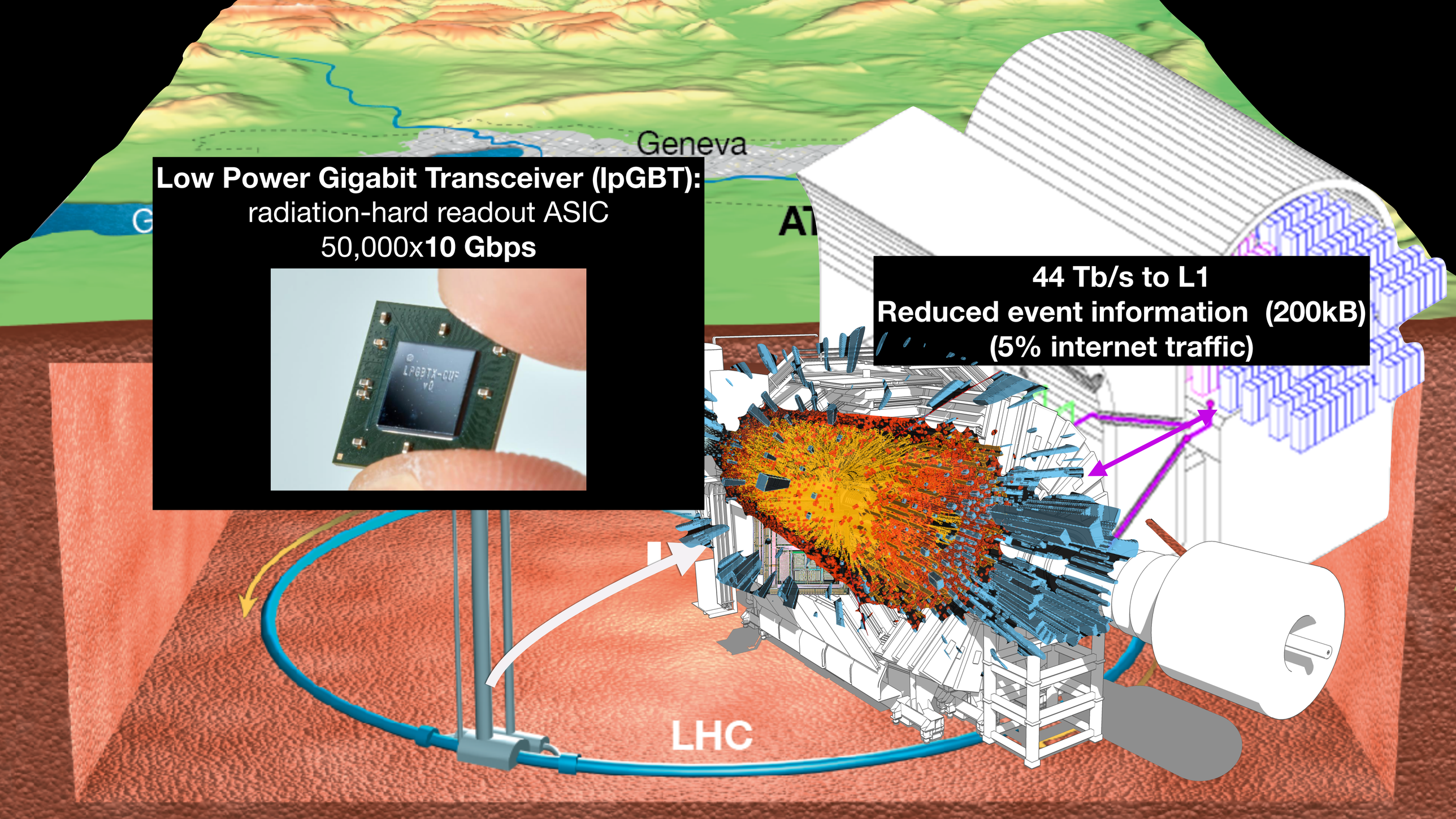
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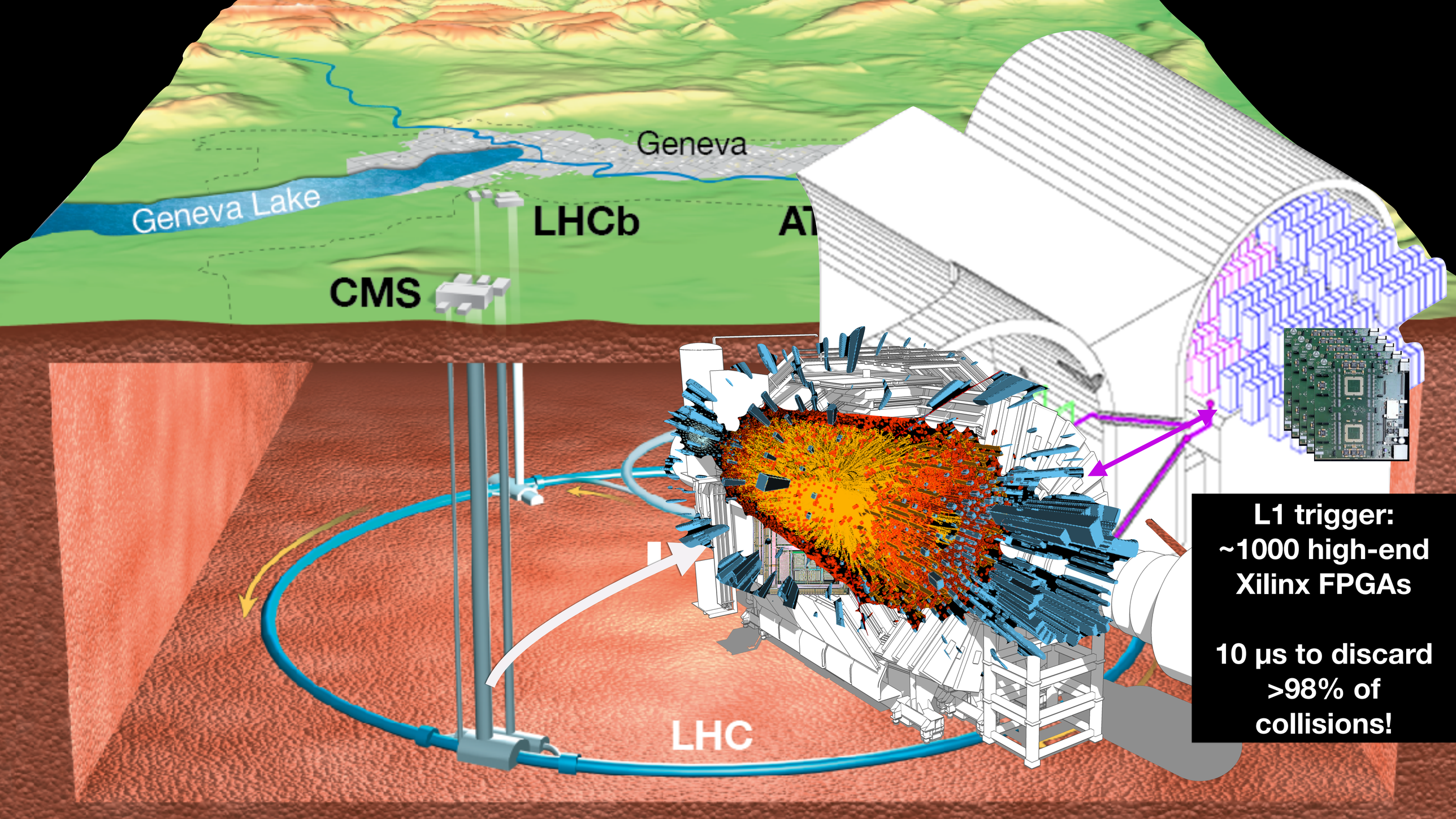
Low Power Gigabit Transceiver (lpGBT):
radiation-hard readout ASIC
50,000x10 Gbps
LPGBTX-CUF
v0
44 Tb/s to L1
Reduced event information (200kB)
(5% internet traffic)
LHC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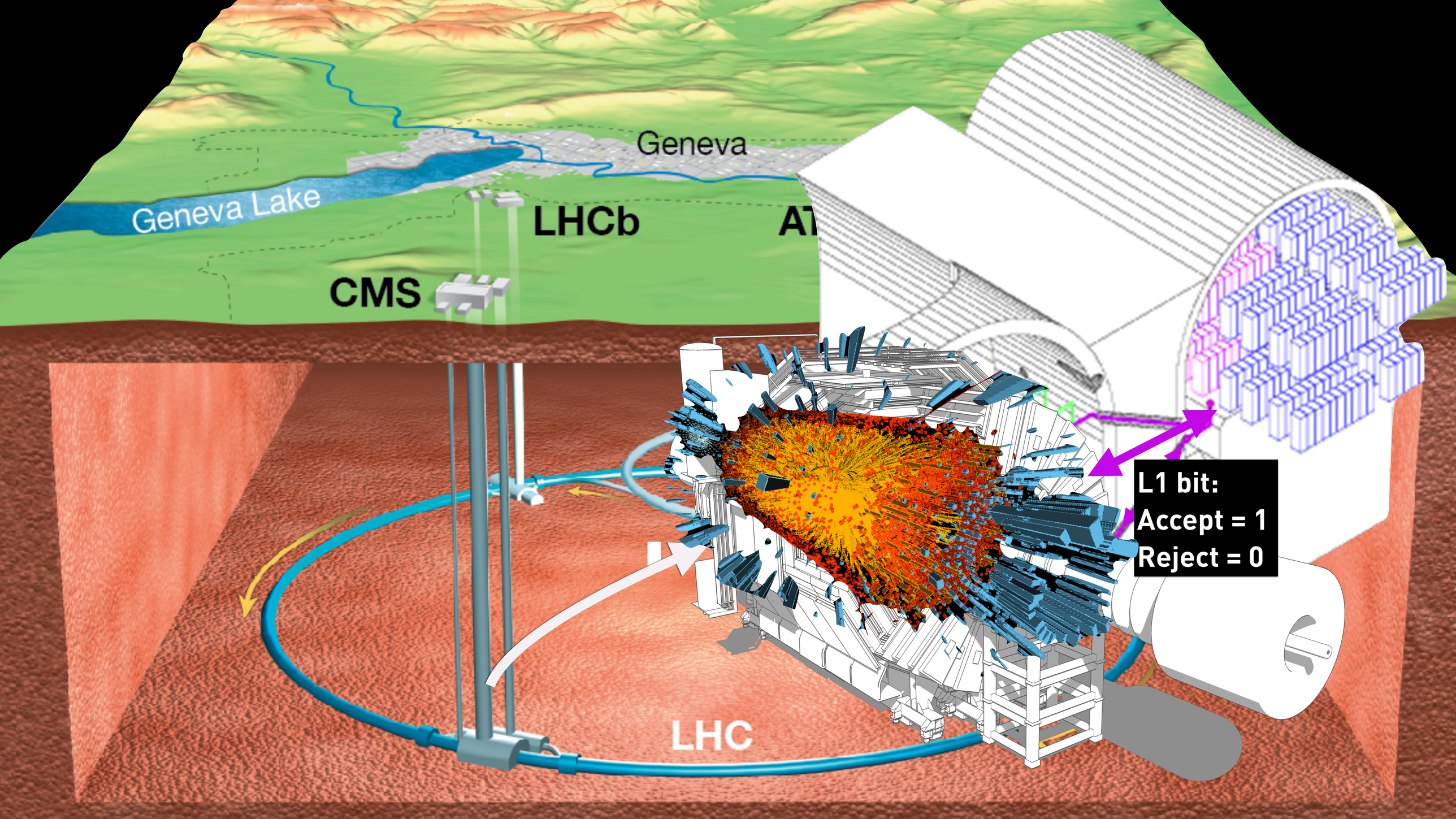
L1 trigger:
~1000 high-end
Xilinx FPGAs
10 µs to discard
>98% of
collisions!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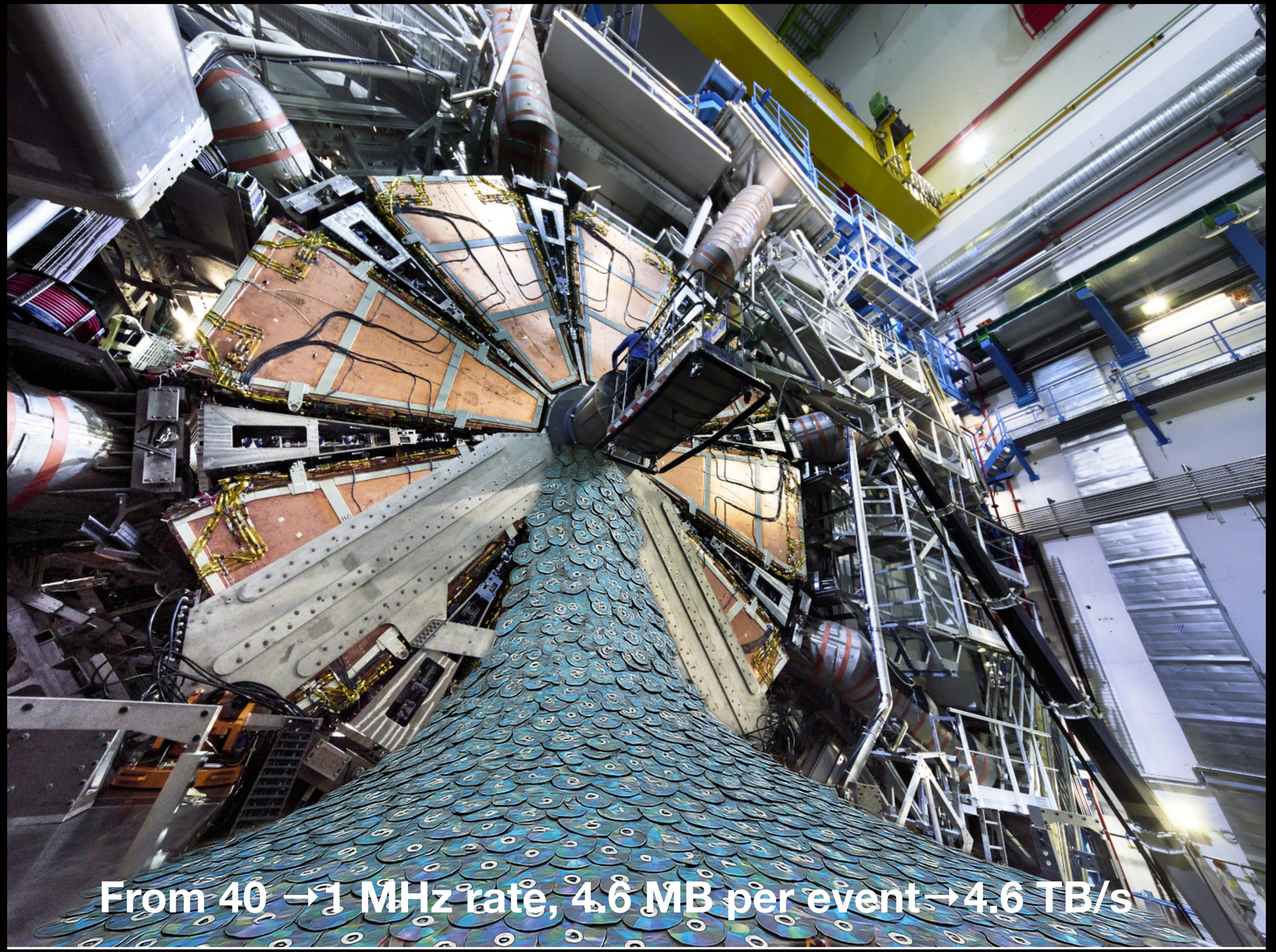
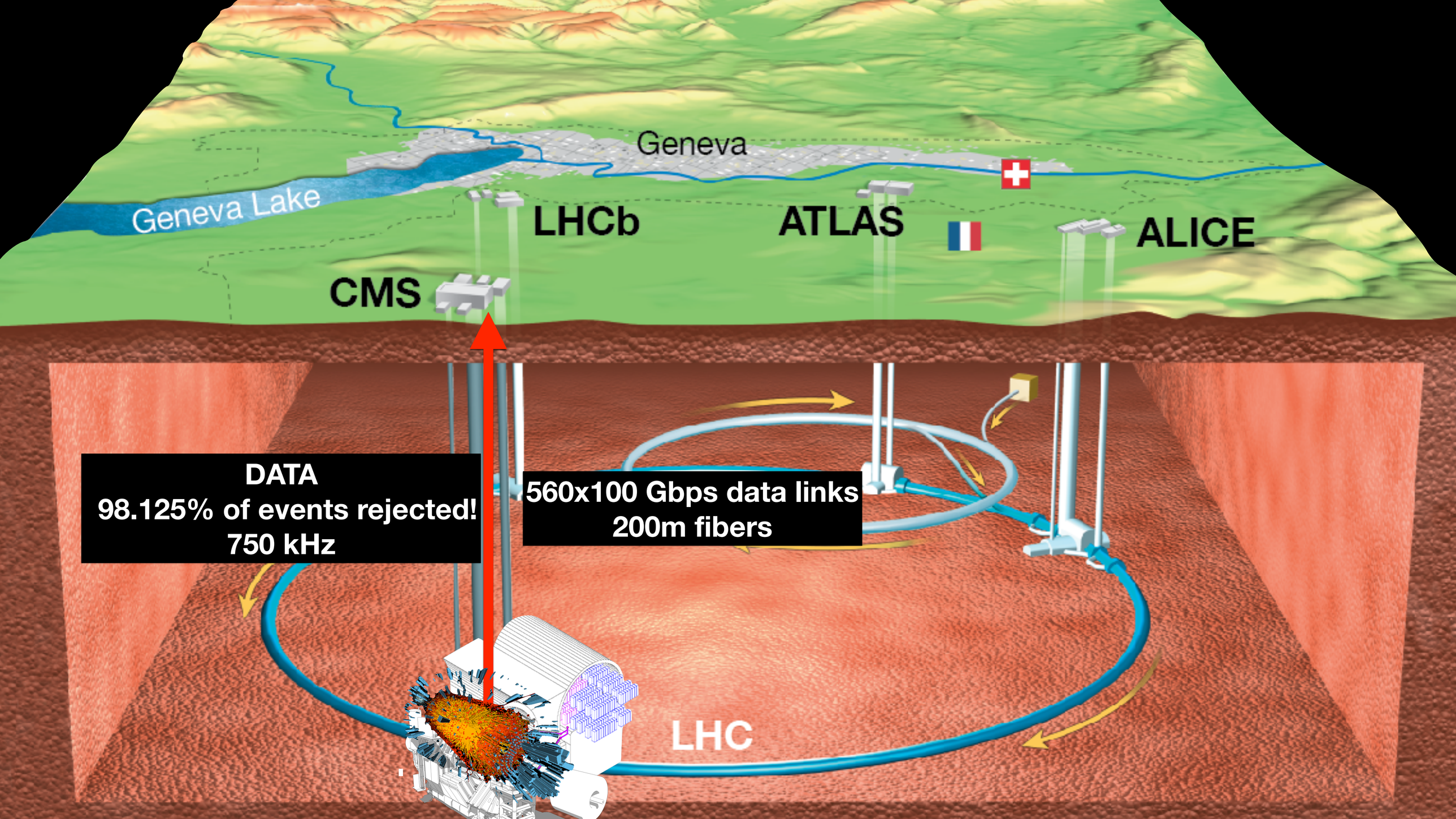
L1 bit:
Accept = 1
Reject = 0


From 40 → 1 MHz rate, 4.6 MB per event → 4.6 TB/s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DATA
98.125% of events rejected!
750 kHz
560x100 Gbps data links
200m fibers
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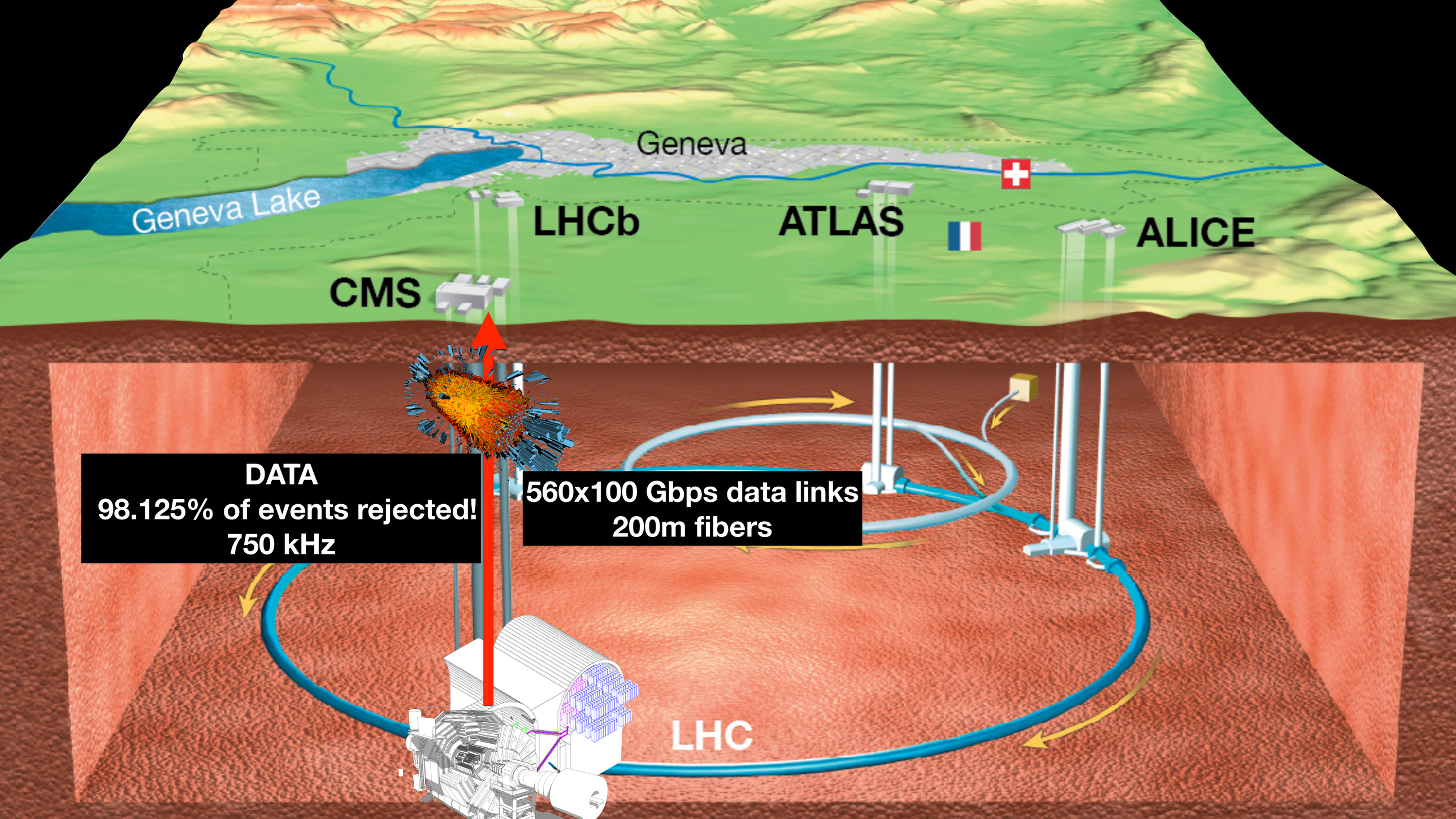
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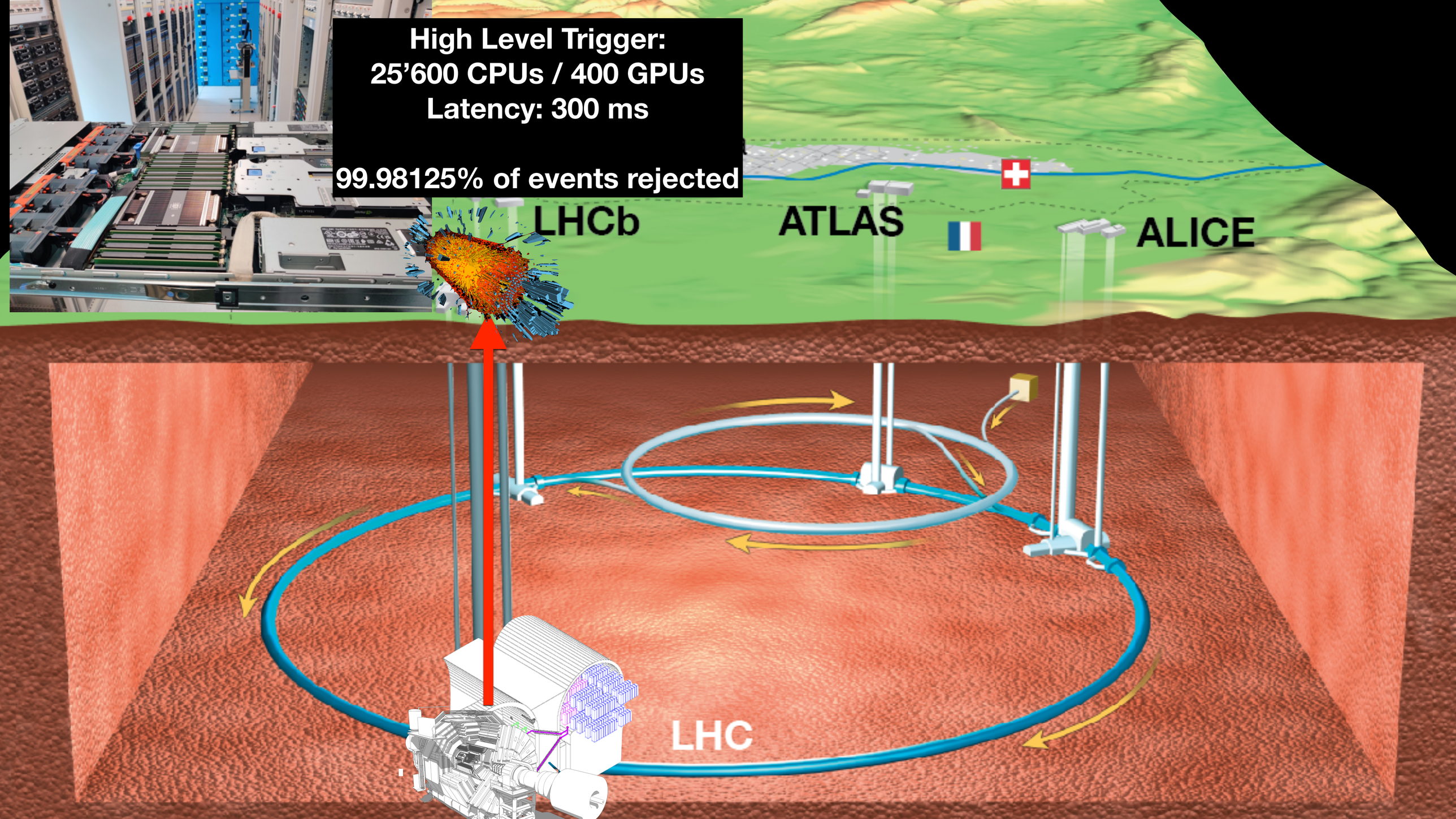
High Level Trigger:
25’600 CPUs / 400 GPUs
Latency: 300 ms
99.98125% of events rejected
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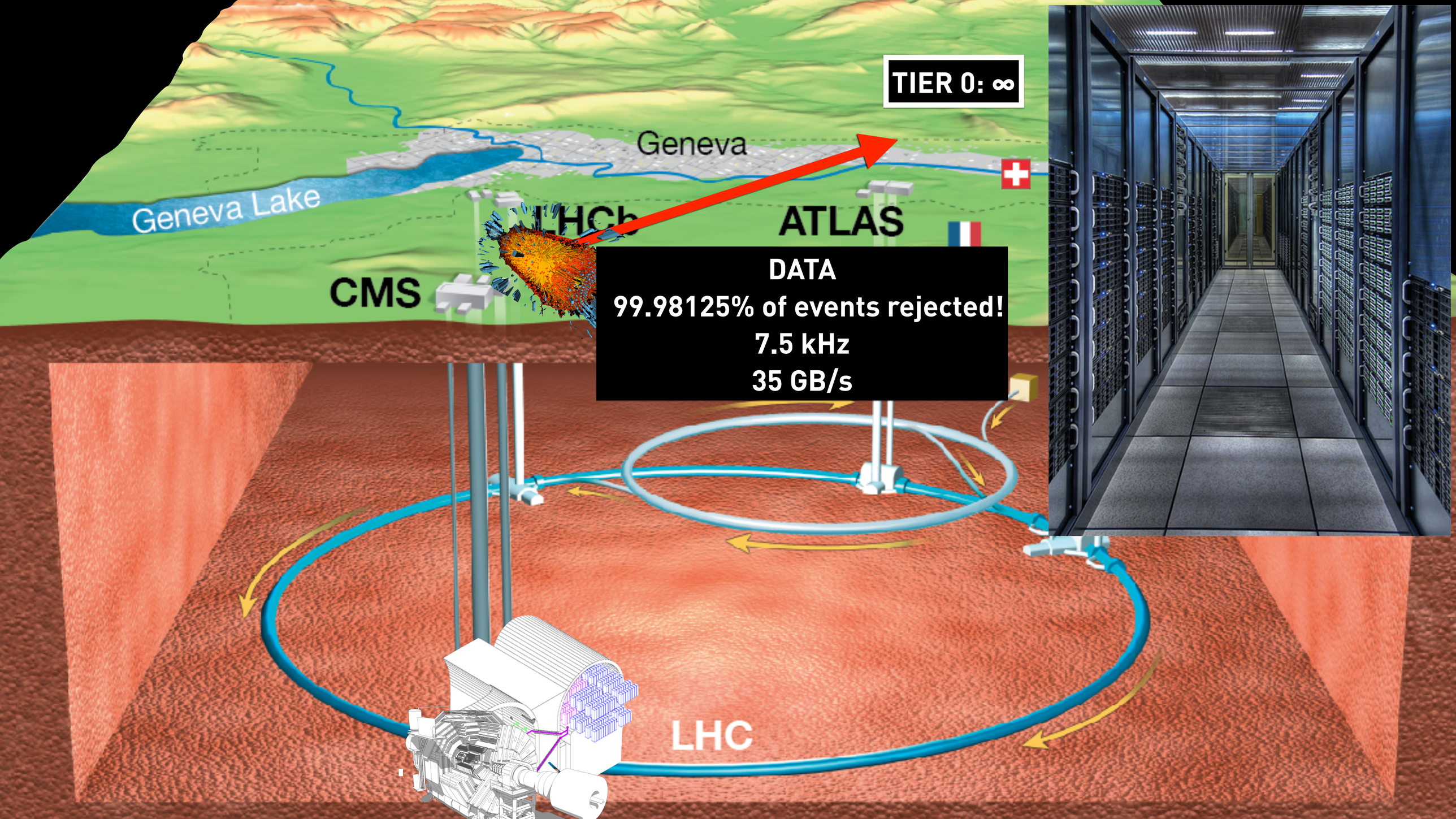
TIER 0: ∞
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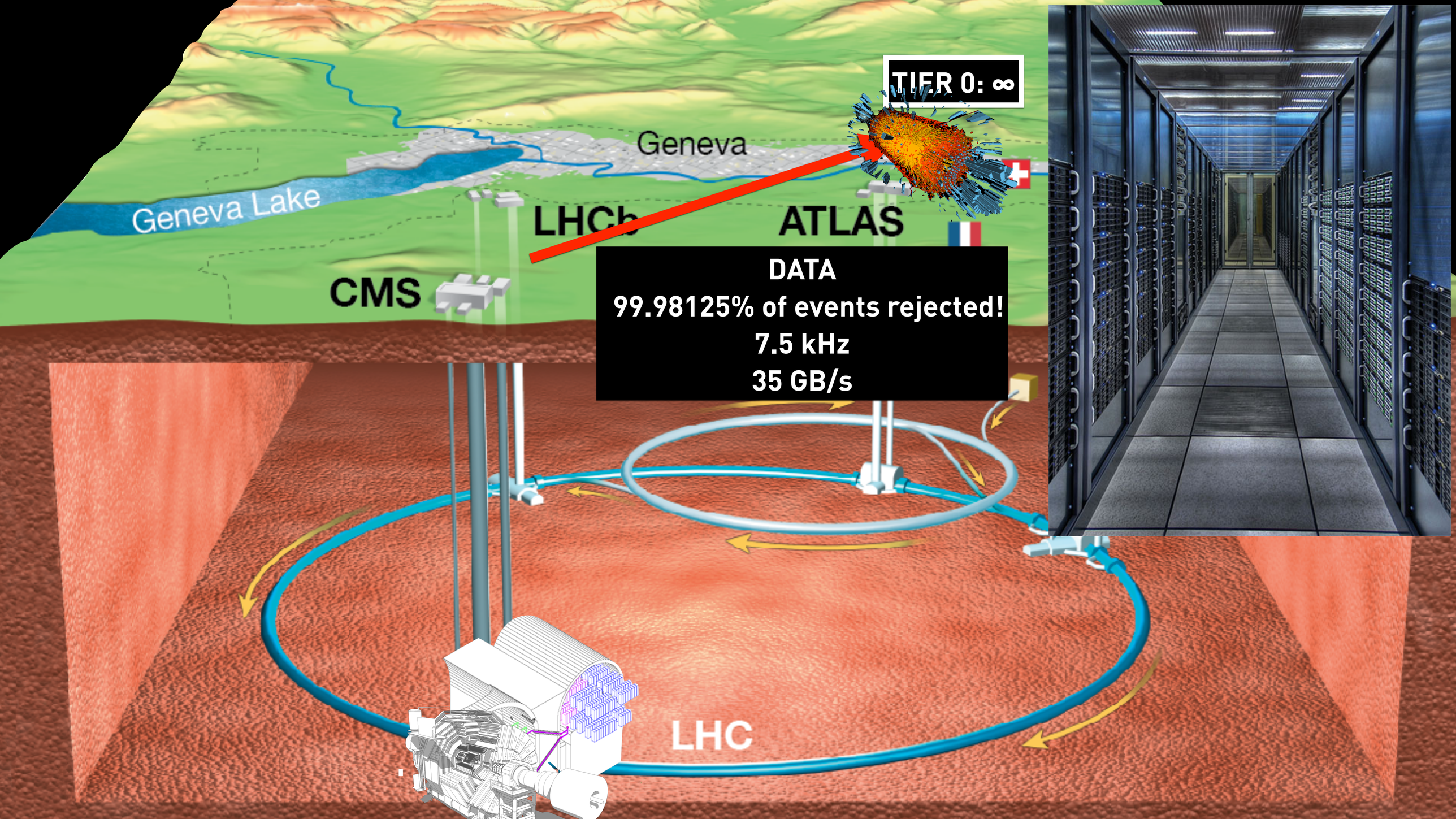
99.98125% of events rejected!
7.5 kHz
35 GB/s
LHC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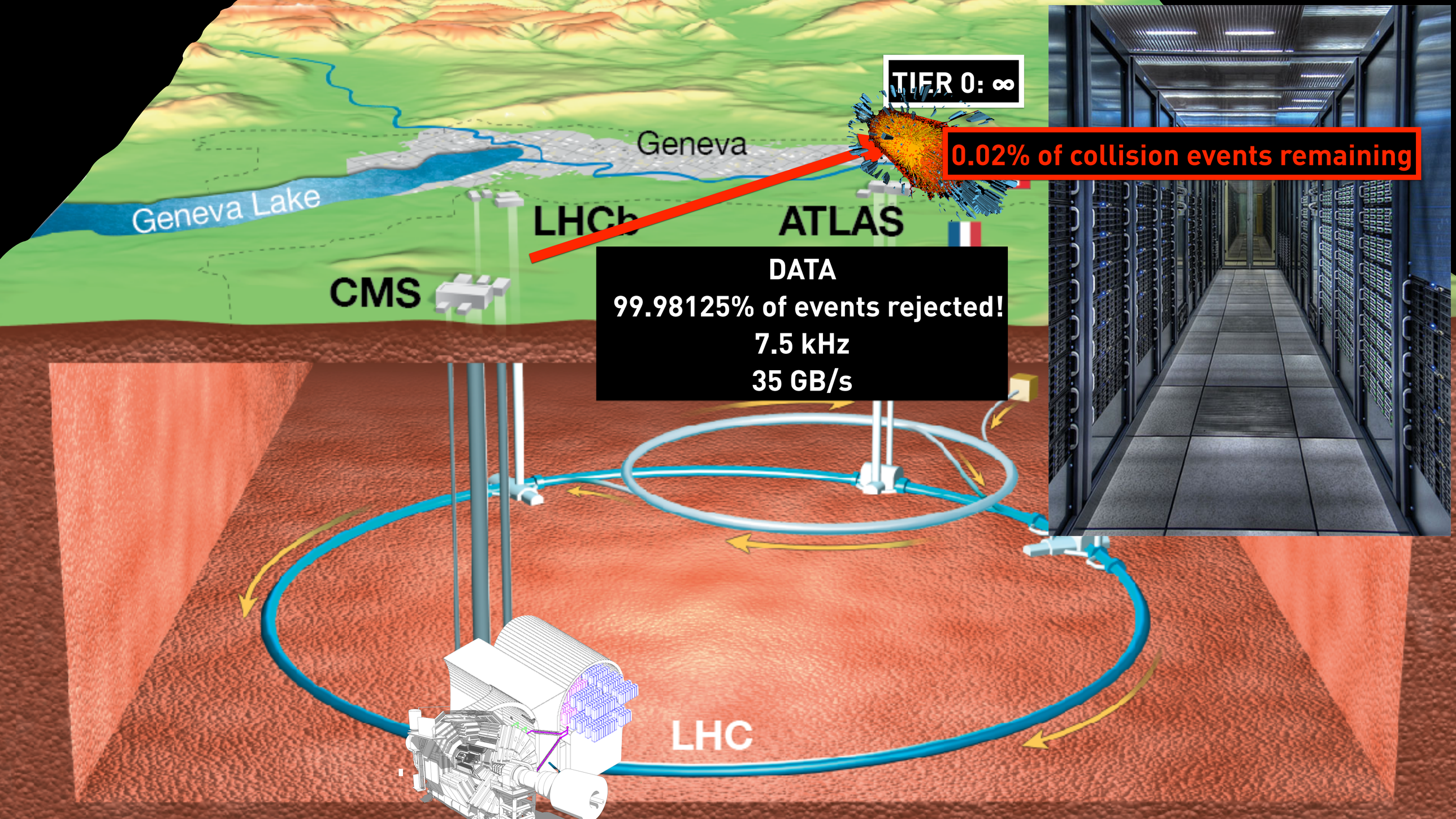
TIER 0: ∞
0.02% of collision events remaining
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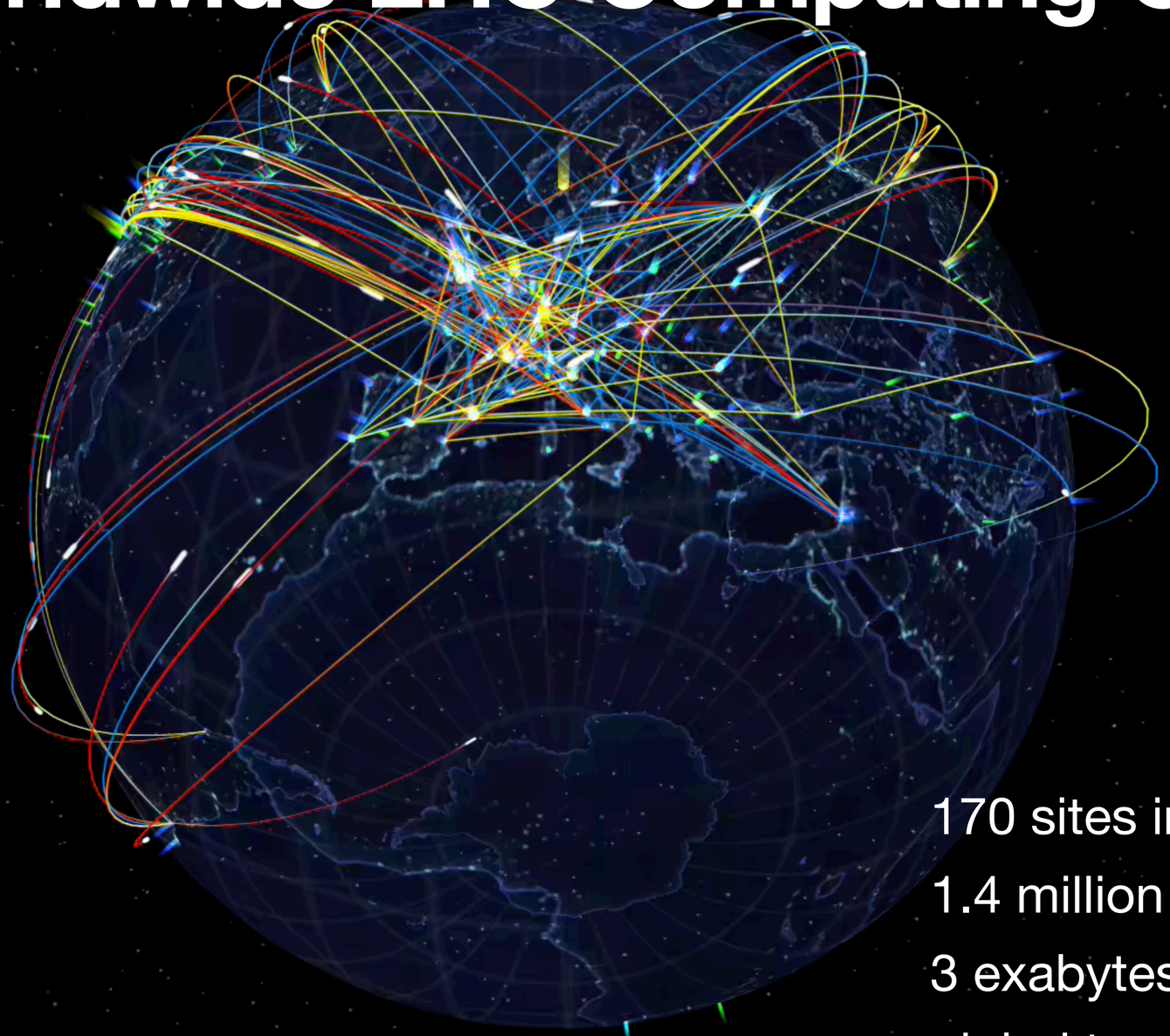
And what happens to all that data once we decide to keep it?

The Worldwide LHC Computing Grid



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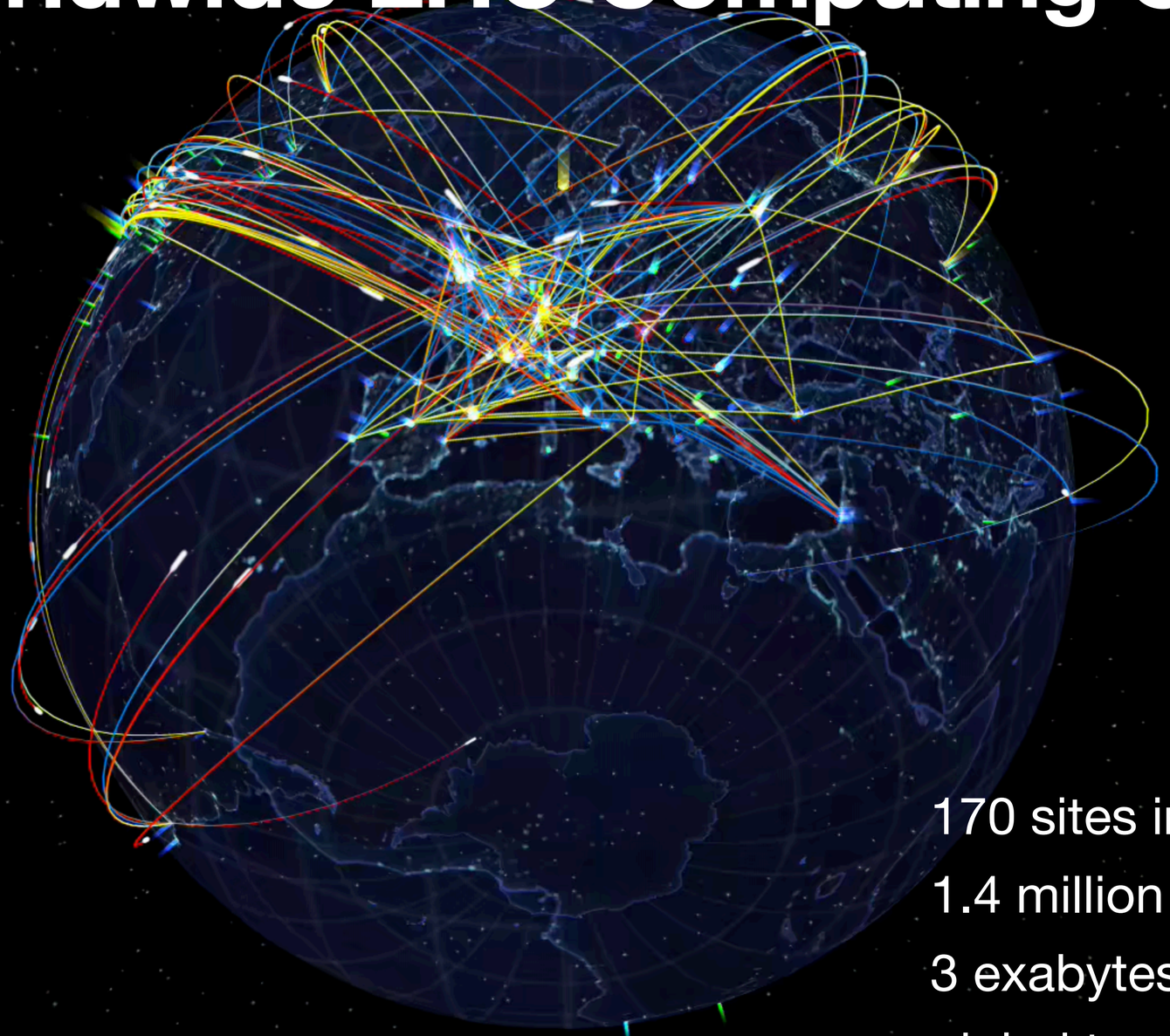

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The Standard Model

$$-\tfrac{1}{2}\partial_\nu g^a_\mu \partial_\nu g^a_\mu - g_s f^{abc}\partial_\mu g^a_\nu g^b_\mu g^c_\nu - \tfrac{1}{4}g_s^2 f^{abc}f^{ade}g^b_\mu g^c_\nu g^d_\mu g^e_\nu + \tfrac{1}{2}ig_s^2(\bar{q}^\sigma_i\gamma^\mu q^\sigma_j)g^a_\mu + \bar{G}^a\partial^2 G^a + g_s f^{abc}\partial_\mu \bar{G}^a G^b g^c_\mu - \partial_\nu W^+_\mu \partial_\nu W^-_\mu - M^2 W^+_\mu W^-_\mu - \tfrac{1}{2}\partial_\nu Z^0_\mu \partial_\nu Z^0_\mu - \tfrac{1}{2c_w^2}M^2 Z^0_\mu Z^0_\mu - \tfrac{1}{2}\partial_\mu A_\nu \partial_\mu A_\nu - \tfrac{1}{2}\partial_\mu H \partial_\mu H - \tfrac{1}{2}m_h^2 H^2 - \partial_\mu \phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^- - M^2\phi^+\phi^- - \tfrac{1}{2}\partial_\mu \phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^0 - \tfrac{1}{2c_w^2}M\phi^0\phi^0 - \beta_h[\tfrac{2M^2}{g^2} + \tfrac{2M}{g}H + \tfrac{1}{2}(H^2+\phi^0\phi^0+2\phi^+\phi^-)] + \tfrac{2M^4}{g^2}\alpha_h - igc_w[\partial_\nu Z^0_\mu(W^+_\mu W^-_\nu - W^+_\nu W^-_\mu) - Z^0_\nu(W^+_\mu \partial_\nu W^-_\mu - W^-_\mu \partial_\nu W^+_\mu) + Z^0_\mu(W^+_\nu \partial_\nu W^-_\mu - W^-_\nu \partial_\nu W^+_\mu)] - igs_w[\partial_\nu A_\mu(W^+_\mu W^-_\nu - W^+_\nu W^-_\mu) - A_\nu(W^+_\mu \partial_\nu W^-_\mu - W^-_\mu \partial_\nu W^+_\mu) + A_\mu(W^+_\nu \partial_\nu W^-_\mu - W^-_\nu \partial_\nu W^+_\mu)] - \tfrac{1}{2}g^2 W^+_\mu W^-_\mu W^+_\nu W^-_\nu + \tfrac{1}{2}g^2 W^+_\mu W^-_\nu W^+_\mu W^-_\nu + g^2 c_w^2(Z^0_\mu W^+_\mu Z^0_\nu W^-_\nu - Z^0_\mu Z^0_\mu W^+_\nu W^-_\nu) + g^2 s_w^2(A_\mu W^+_\mu A_\nu W^-_\nu - A_\mu A_\mu W^+_\nu W^-_\nu) + g^2 s_w c_w[A_\mu Z^0_\nu(W^+_\mu W^-_\nu - W^+_\nu W^-_\mu) - 2A_\mu Z^0_\mu W^+_\nu W^-_\nu] - g\alpha[H^3 + H\phi^0\phi^0 + 2H\phi^+\phi^-] - \tfrac{1}{8}g^2\alpha_h[H^4 + (\phi^0)^4 + 4(\phi^+\phi^-)^2 + 4(\phi^0)^2\phi^+\phi^- + 4H^2\phi^+\phi^- + 2(\phi^0)^2H^2] - gMW^+_\mu W^-_\mu H - \tfrac{1}{2}g\tfrac{M}{c_w^2}Z^0_\mu Z^0_\mu H - \tfrac{1}{2}ig[W^+_\mu(\phi^0\partial_\mu\phi^- - \phi^-\partial_\mu\phi^0) - W^-_\mu(\phi^0\partial_\mu\phi^+ - \phi^+\partial_\mu\phi^0)] + \tfrac{1}{2}g[W^+_\mu(H\partial_\mu\phi^- - 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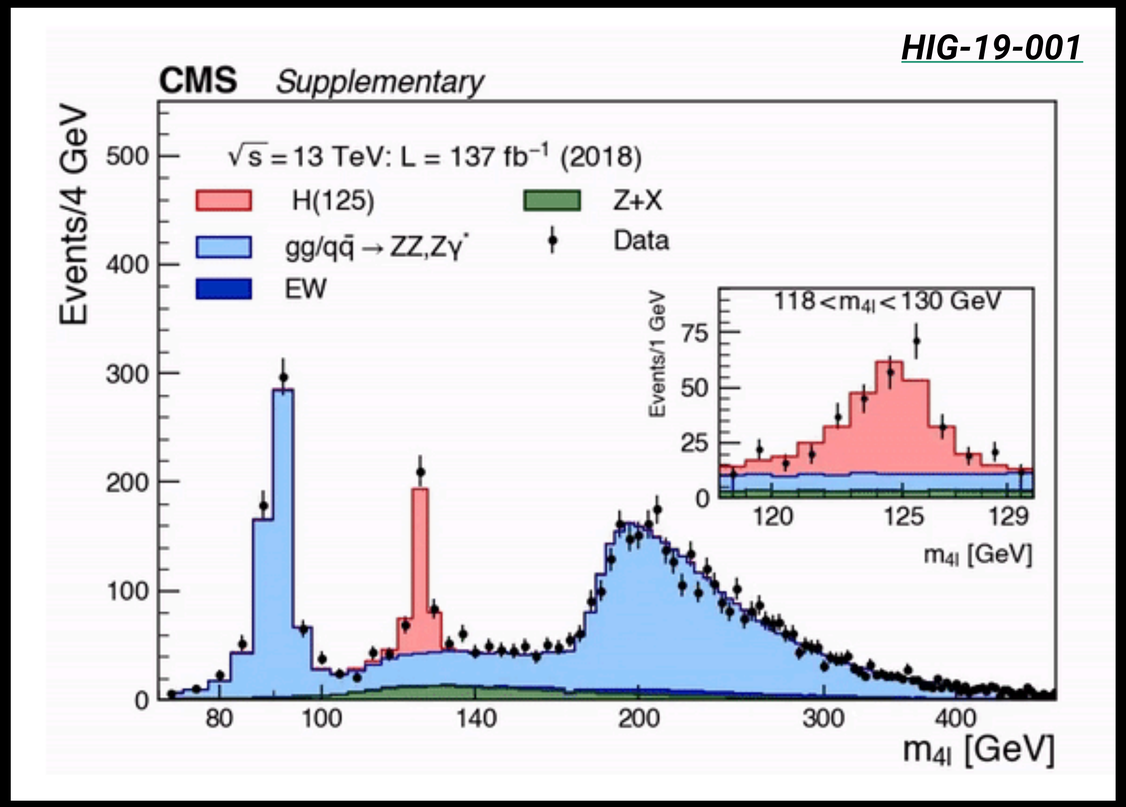
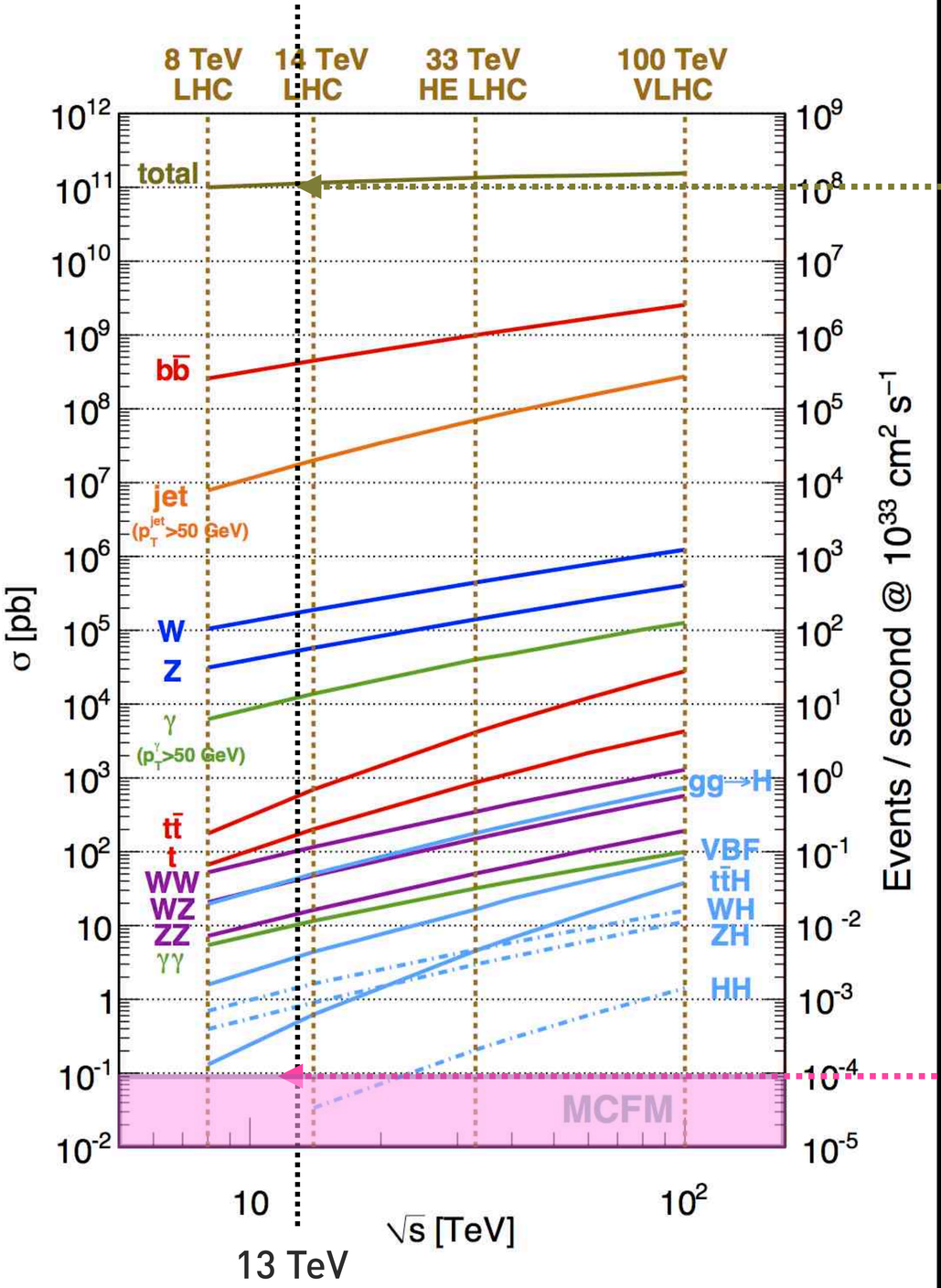
\partial_\mu\bar{X}^+Y) + igc_wW^-_\mu(\partial_\mu\bar{X}^-X^0 - \partial_\mu\bar{X}^0X^+) + igs_wW^-_\mu(\partial_\mu\bar{X}^-Y - \partial_\mu\bar{Y}X^+) + igc_wZ^0_\mu(\partial_\mu\bar{X}^+X^+ - \partial_\mu\bar{X}^-X^-) + igs_wA_\mu(\partial_\mu\bar{X}^+X^+ - \partial_\mu\bar{X}^-X^-) - \tfrac{1}{2}gM[\bar{X}^+X^+H + \bar{X}^-X^-H + \tfrac{1}{c_w^2}\bar{X}^0X^0H] + \tfrac{1-2c_w^2}{2c_w}igM[\bar{X}^+X^0\phi^+ - \bar{X}^-X^0\phi^-] + \tfrac{1}{2c_w}igM[\bar{X}^0X^-\phi^+ - \bar{X}^0X^+\phi^-] + igMs_w[\bar{X}^0X^-\phi^+ - \bar{X}^0X^+\phi^-] + \tfrac{1}{2}igM[\bar{X}^+X^+\phi^0 - \bar{X}^-X^-\phi^0]$$



To make sure we select "the right" 0.02%, algorithms must be

- Fast (get more data through)
- Accurate (select the right data)



"Probability" of producing "anything"

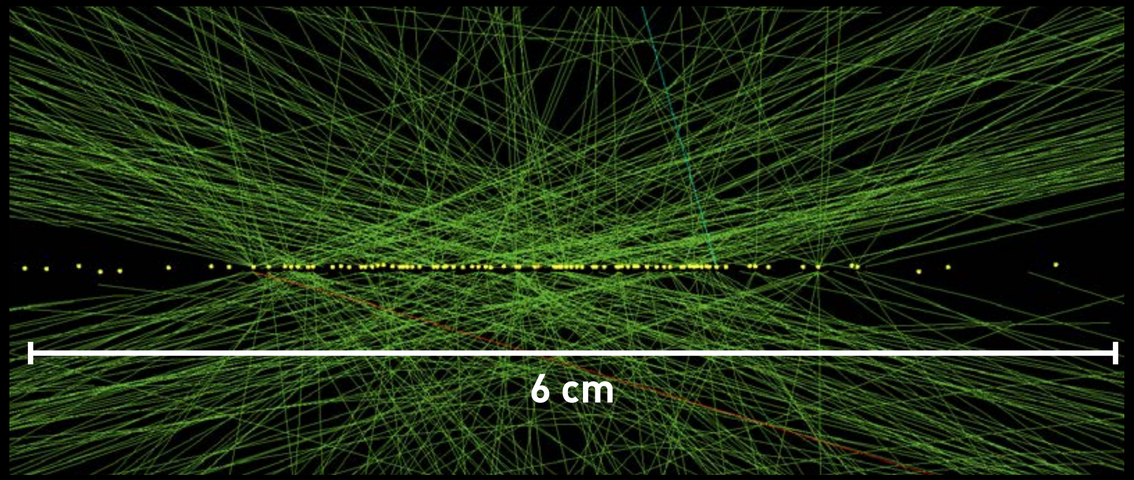
New Physics?

New Physics is produced less than 1 in a trillion (if at all)

Need more data!

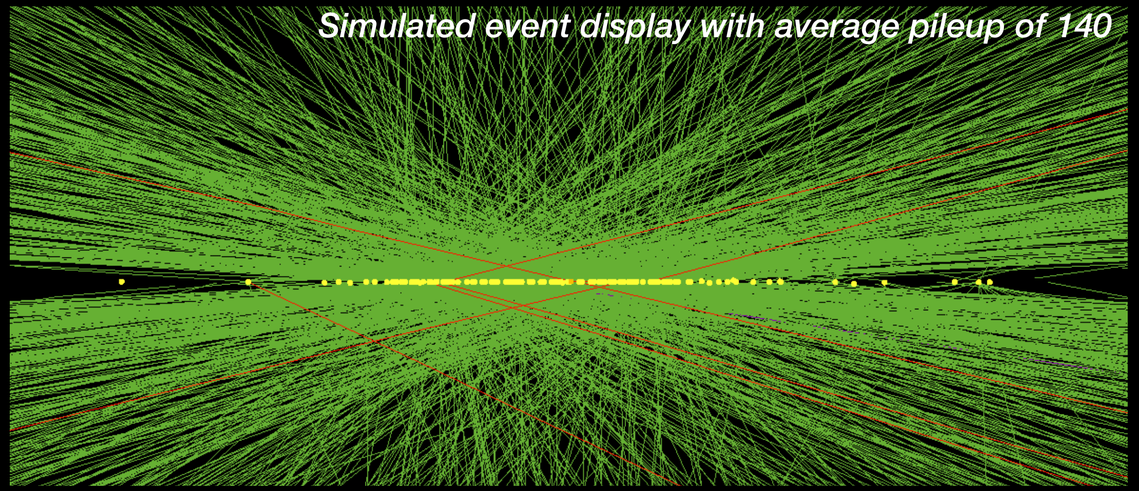
LHC (currently)

78 vertices
(average 60)



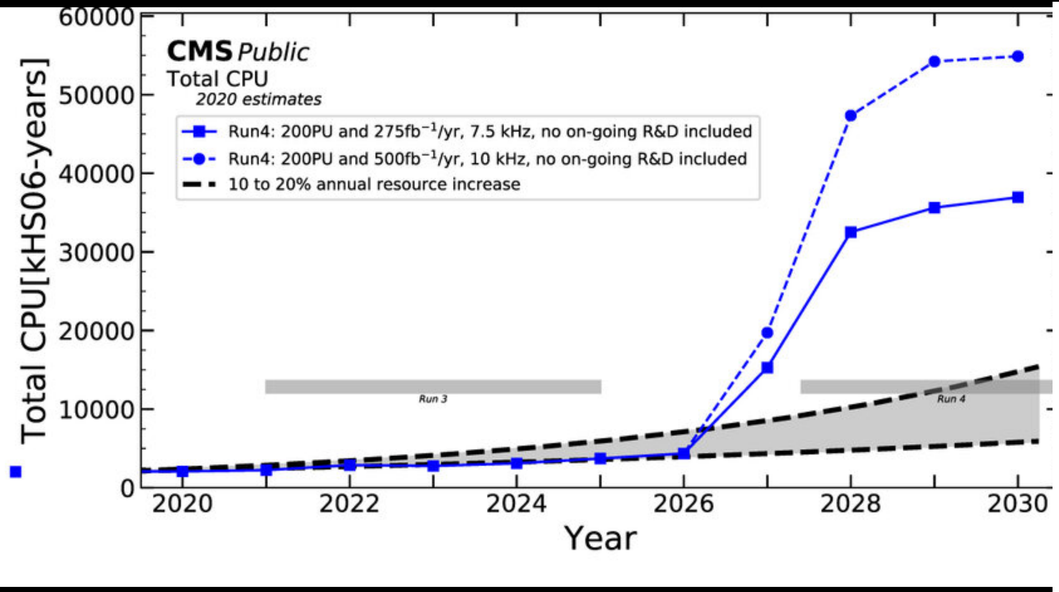
High Luminosity LHC (2030-2041)

200 vertices
(average 140)



Future CPU and storage: needs vs budget

CPU



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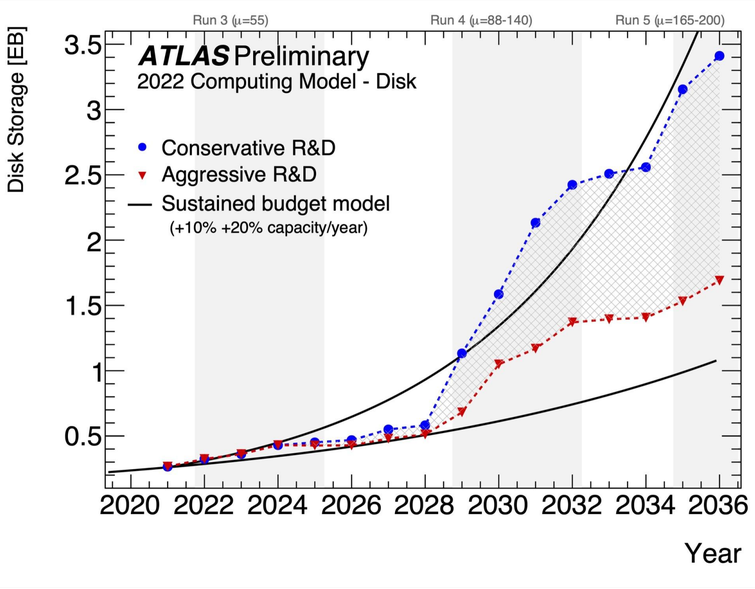
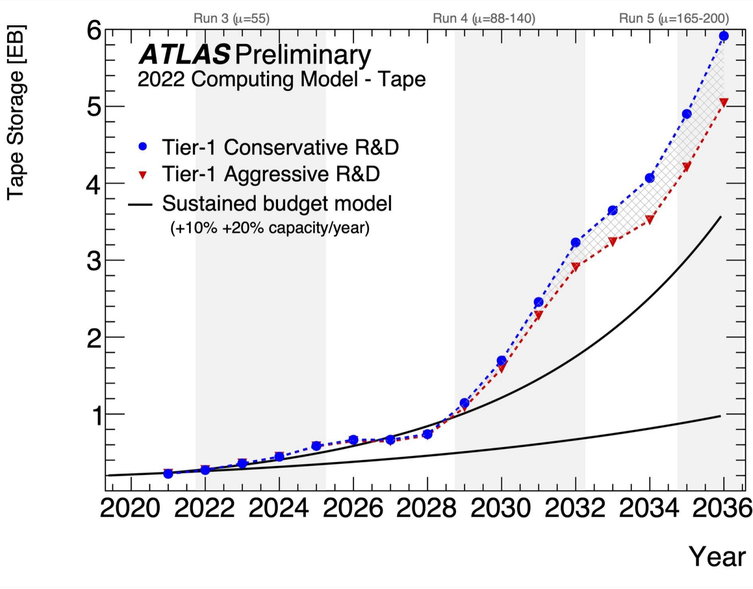
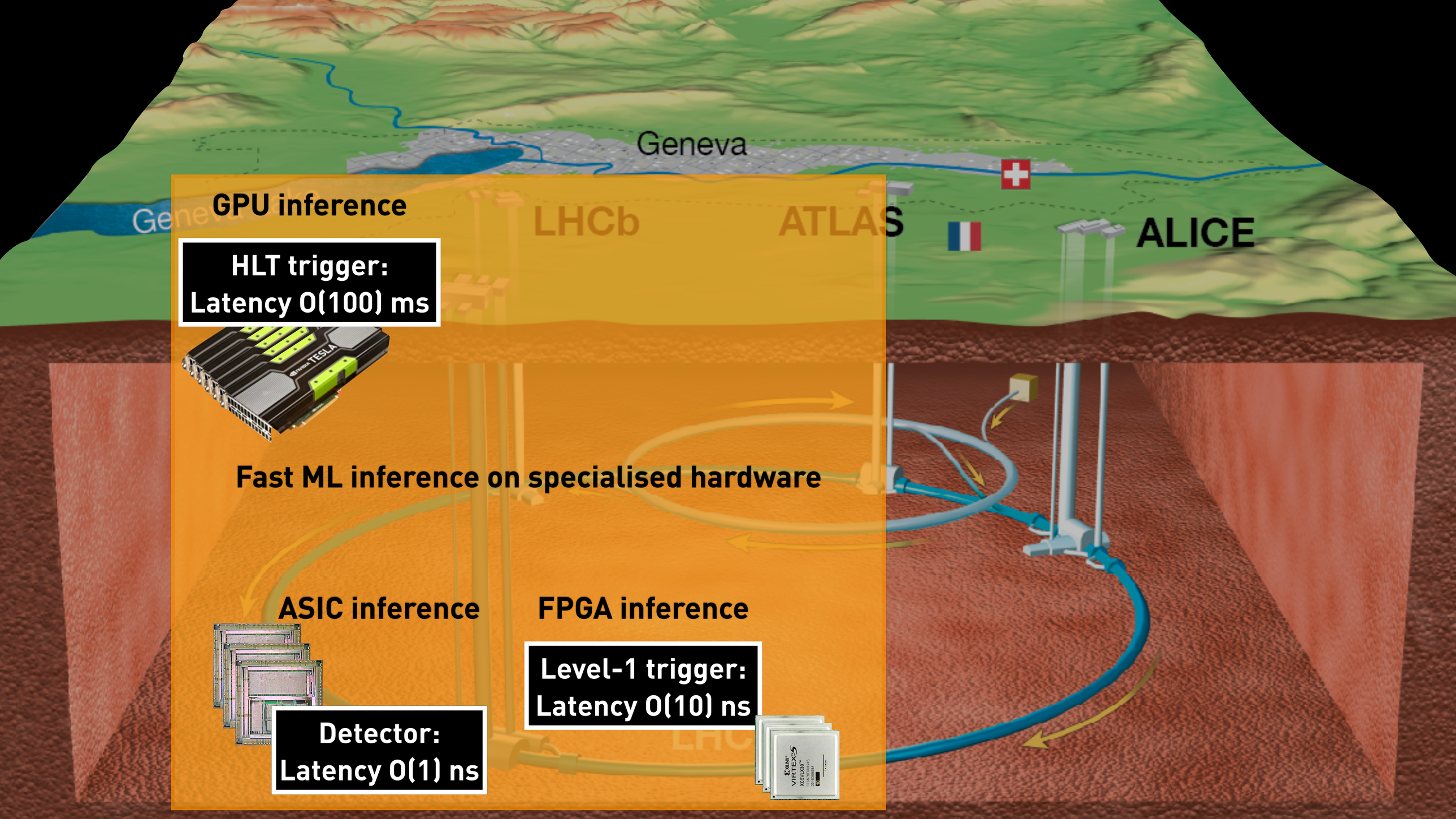


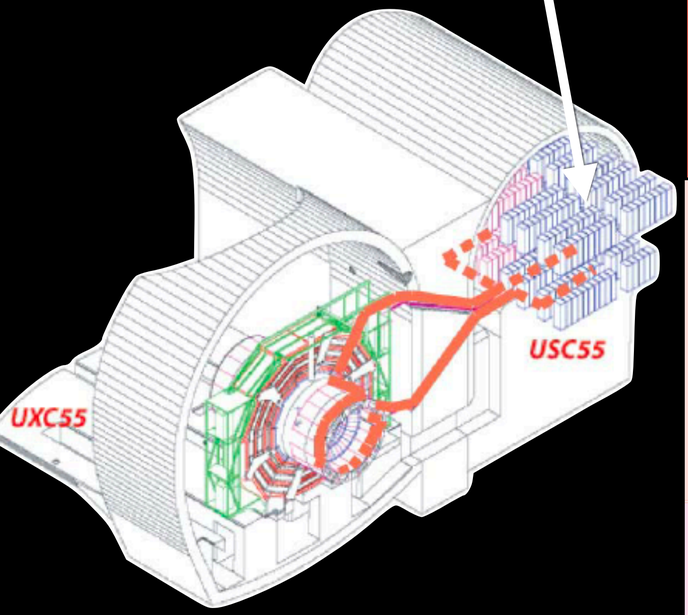
TAPE

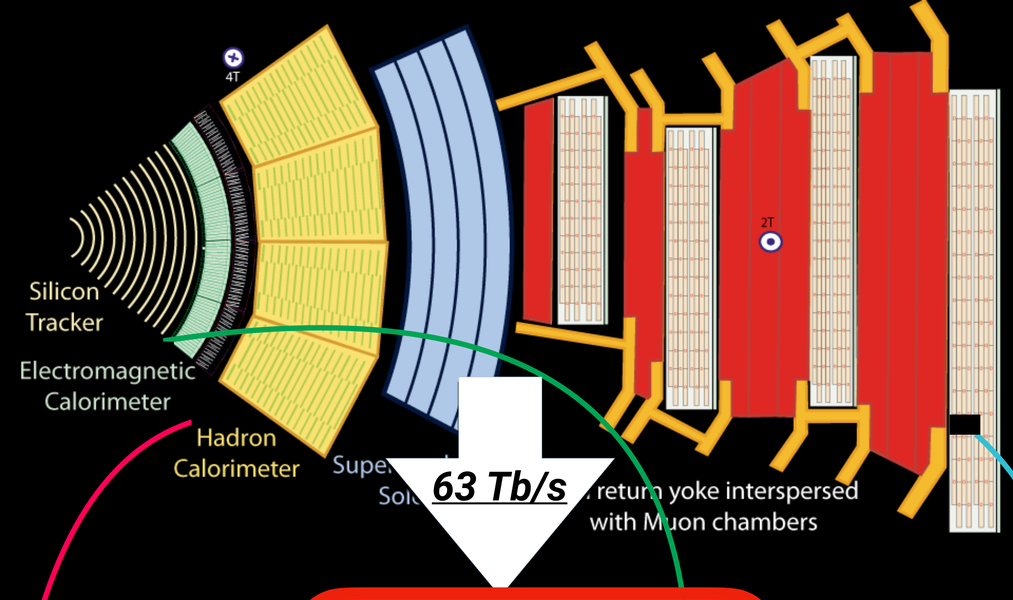


- Must get data out of detector while minimising “dead material”
- Must process all that data (20 s/event, 1B events/s)
- Must store all that data (~6-8 MB/event)

- **DATA IS OUR MAIN PRECISION BOTTLENECK**


Geneva
LHCb
ATLAS
ALICE
GPU inference
HLT trigger:
Latency O(100) ms
Fast ML inference on specialised hardware
ASIC inference
FPGA inference
Level-1 trigger:
Latency O(10) ns
Detector:
Latency O(1) ns





CALORIMETRY:
370 FPGAs

*54 for HGCAL only!

Xilinx Ultrascale+ FPGAs

TRACKING
174 FPGAs

MUONS:
96 FPGAs

5 µs

PARTICLE FLOW:
66 FPGAs

CALORIMETRY

PARTICLE FLOW

MUONS

EXTERNAL TRIGGERS

GLOBAL TRIGGER:
12 FPGAs

Trigger accept/reject

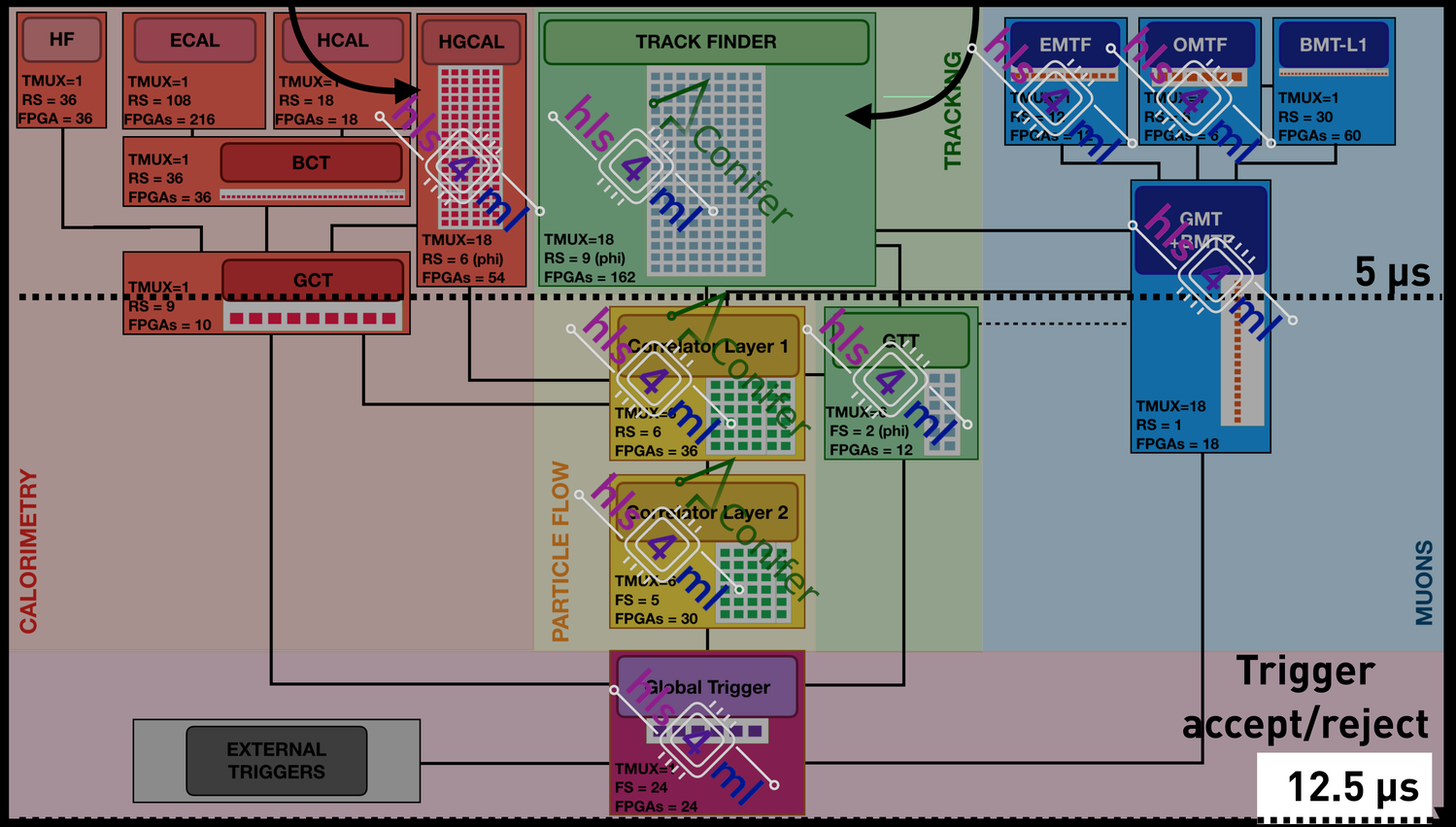
12.5 µs

Nanosecond ML inference on FPGAs!

~40 billion inferences/s during HL-LHC

Conifer hls4ml

HEP developed libraries for fast ML on FPGAs



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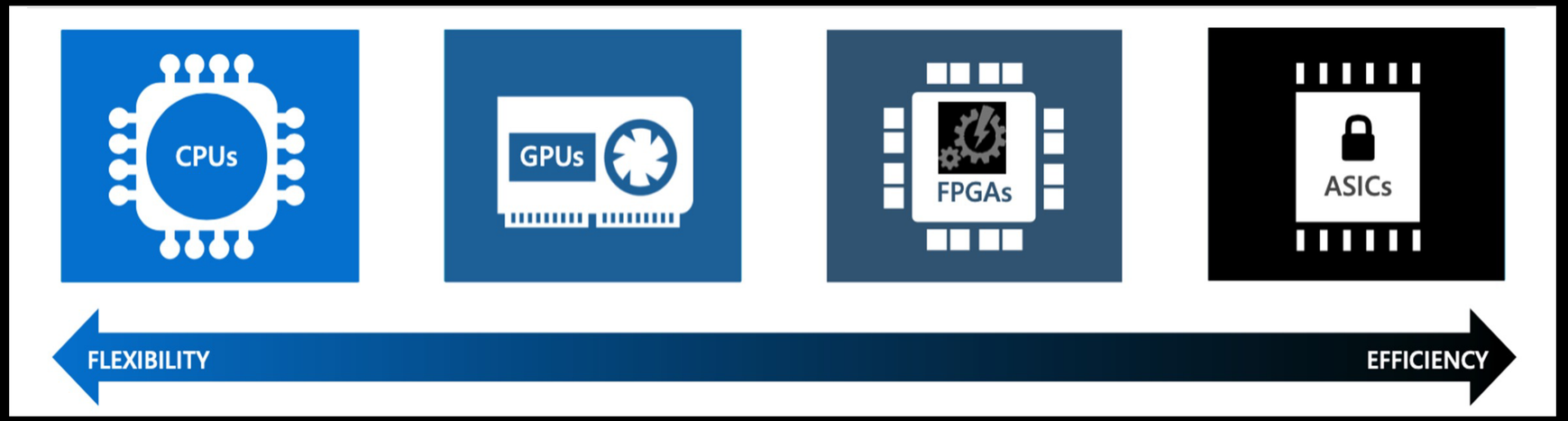


- Custom hardware acceleration, precisions and memory management
- Data-flow architecture with no scheduling or control overheads

Why FPGAs?

- Latency (resource parallelism)

Why FPGAs?

- Throughput (pipeline parallelism)

Latency (resource parallelism)

Can work on different parts of problem/different data simultaneously

High bandwidth (pipeline parallelism)

Latency deterministic

CPU/GPU processing randomness,

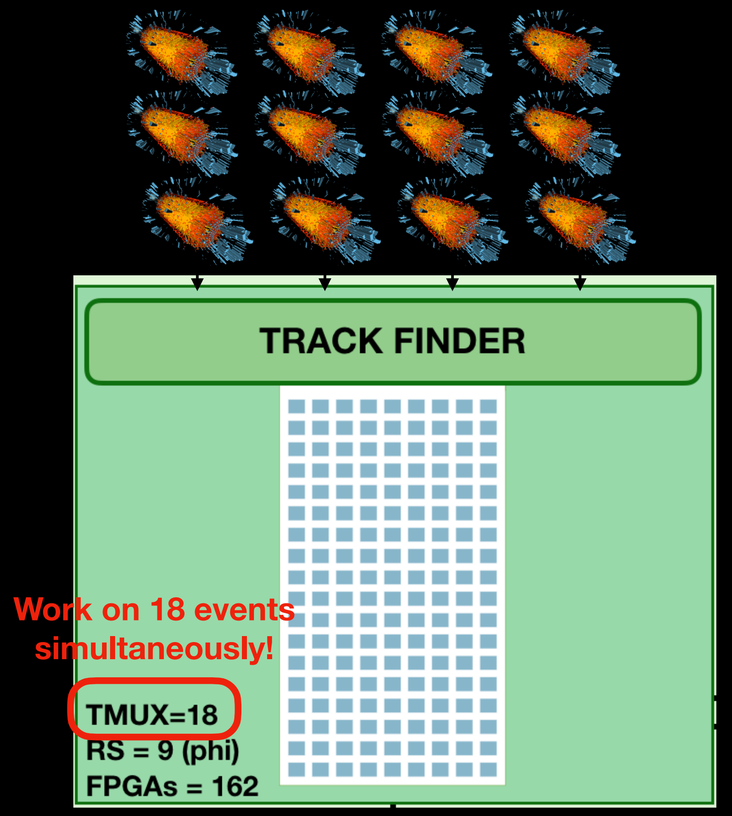
FPGAs repeatable and predictable latency

Have specialised blocks for I/O

Popular for embedded systems and HEP triggers

High speed transceivers with Tb/s total bandwidth (PCIe, 100G Ethernet, InfiniBand)

Low power per Op (relative to CPU/GPU)



Contain many different building blocks (‘resources’) which are connected together as you desire!

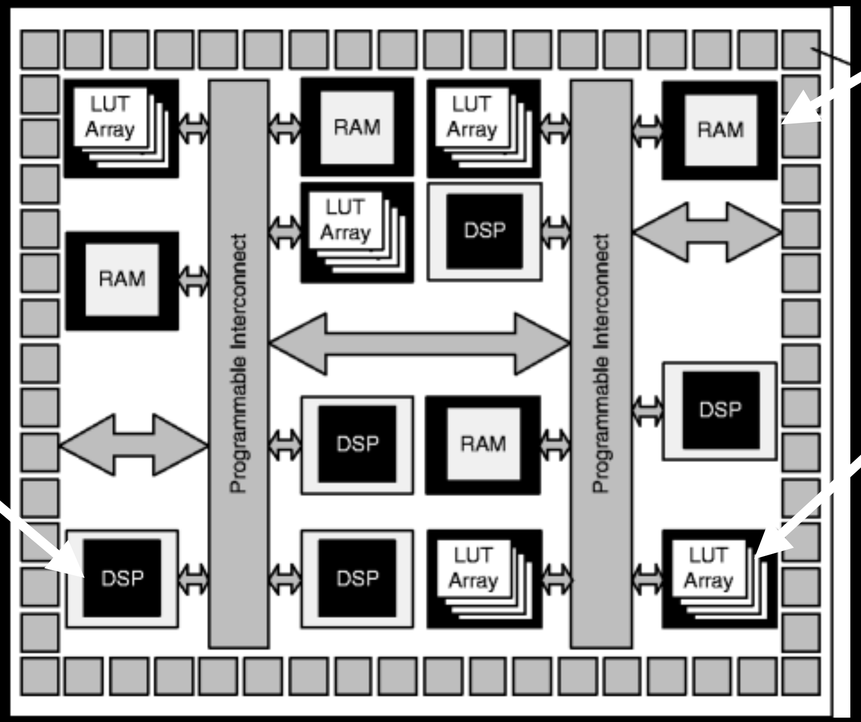
$$\mathbf{x}_n = g_n(\mathbf{W}_{n,n-1}\mathbf{x}_{n-1} + \mathbf{b}_n)$$

activation function — precomputed and stored in BRAMs

multiplication — DSPs

addition — logic cells

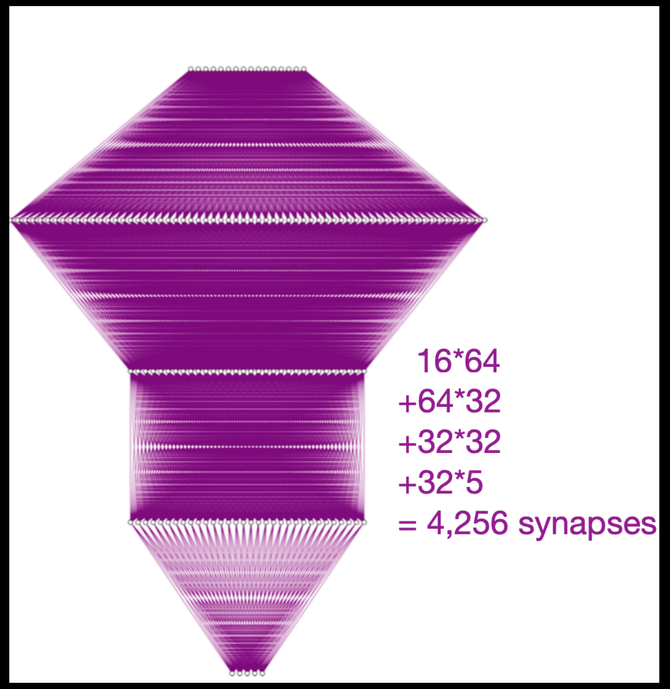
Digital signal processors (DSPs) **O(5,000) units:** specialized units for multiplication and arithmetic. Faster & more efficient than LUTs. For neural networks, DSPs are the most scarce



Memory (BRAM) **O(2000) units:** small, fast memories. Access data in one clock cycle. Big FPGA ~ 40MB BRAM chained together as needed (bandwidth)

Logic cells/lookup tables (LUTs) **O(1) million units**: perform arbitrary functions on small bit width inputs. Used for Boolean operations, arithmetic, small memories

flip-flops (FF): registers data in time with clock



16*64
+64*32
+32*32
+32*5
= 4,256 synapses

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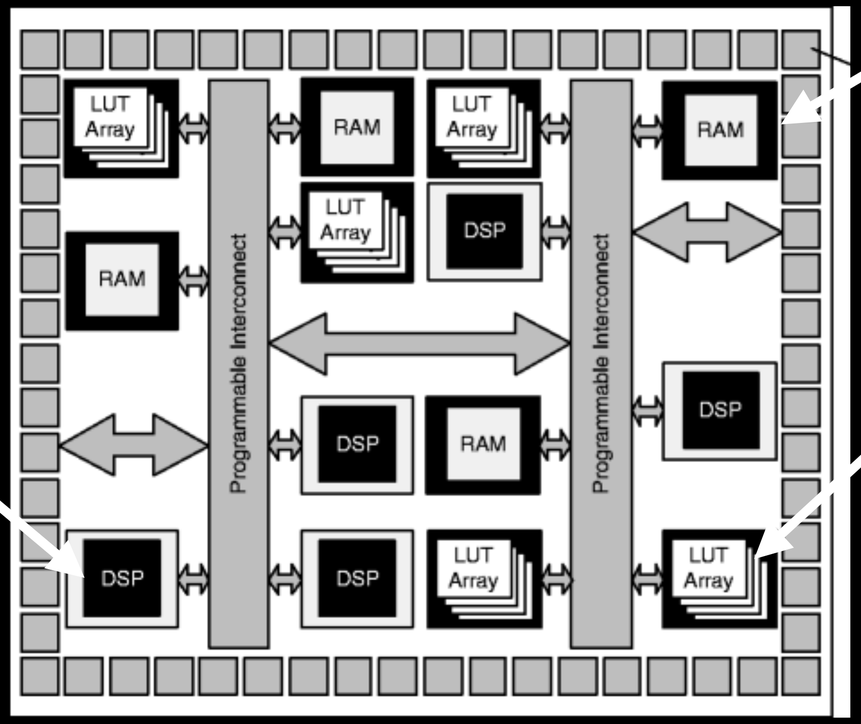

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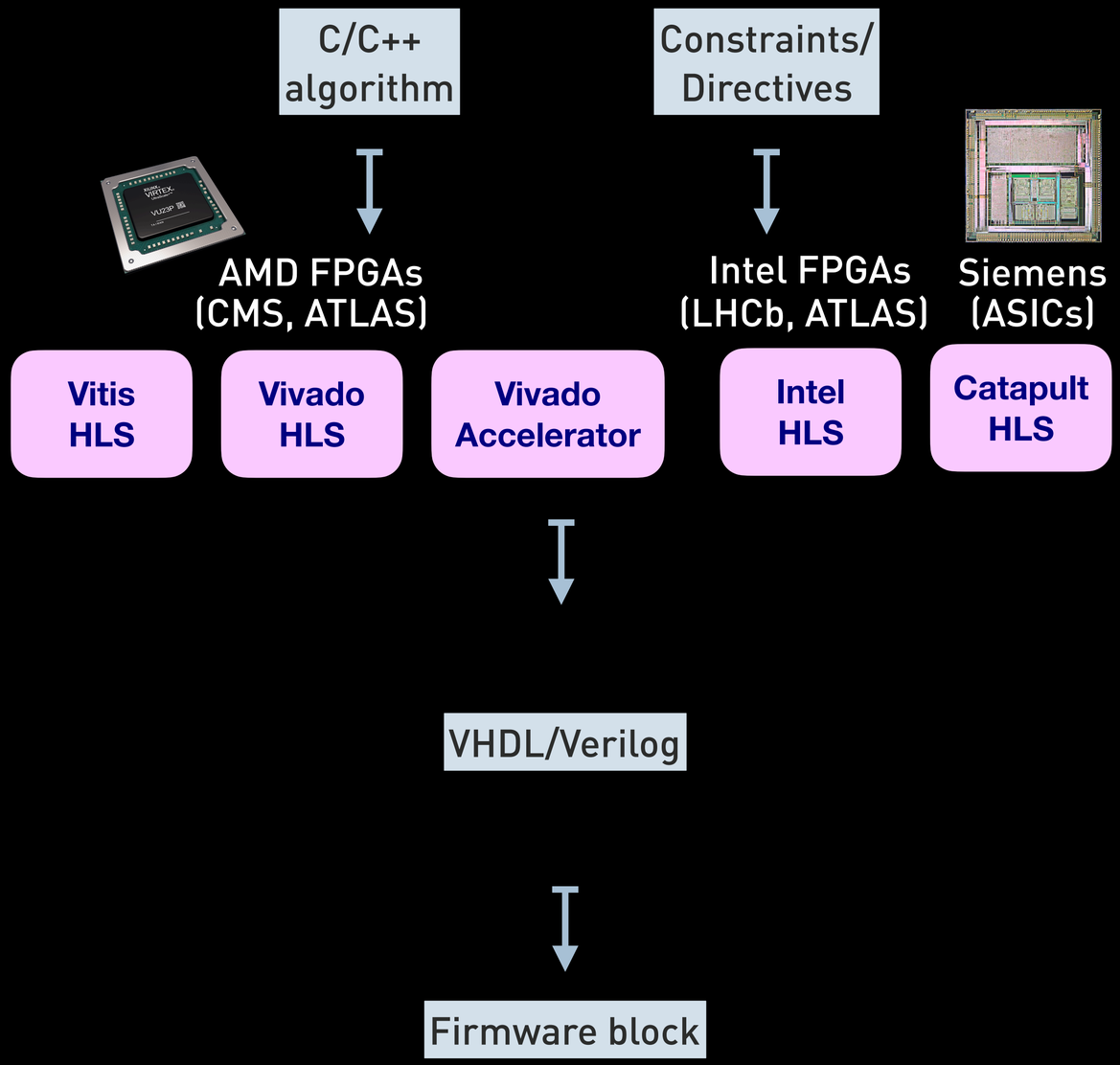
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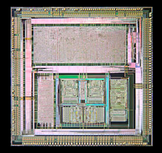

Siemens (ASICs)

Vitis HLS | **Vivado HLS** | **Vivado Accelerator** | **Intel HLS** | **Catapult HLS**

Hardware Description Languages:
programming languages which describe electronic circuits

VHDL/Verilog

Firmware block

High Level Synthesis:
Compile from C/C++ to VHDL

Pre-processor directives and constraints used to optimize the design

Drastic decrease in firmware development time!

C/C++ algorithm

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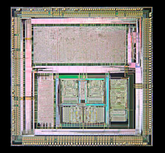

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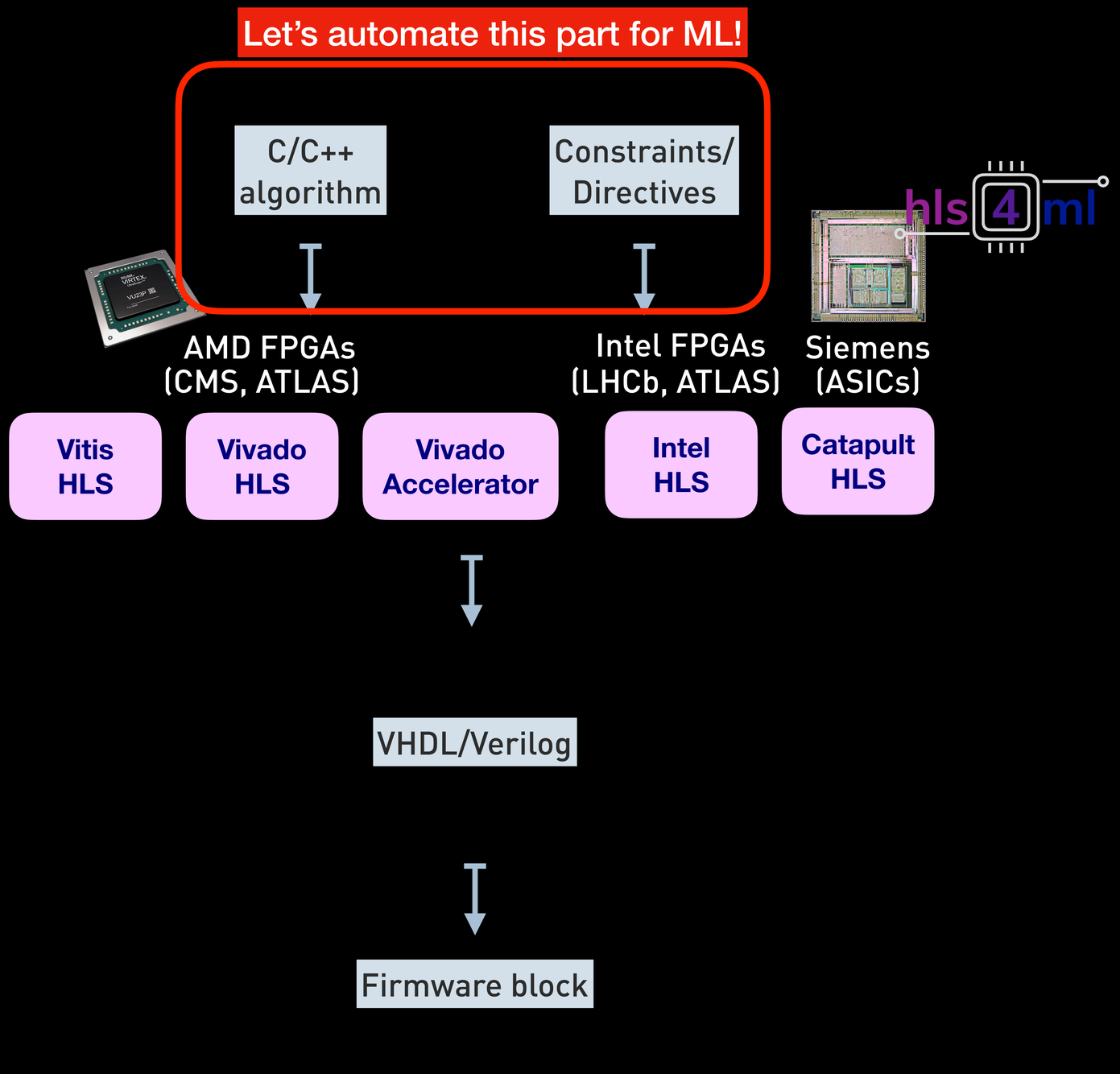
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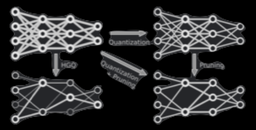

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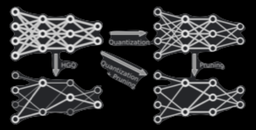

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hls4ml

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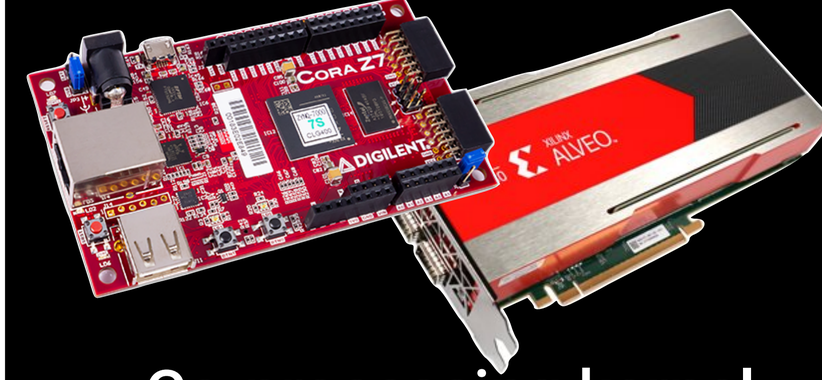
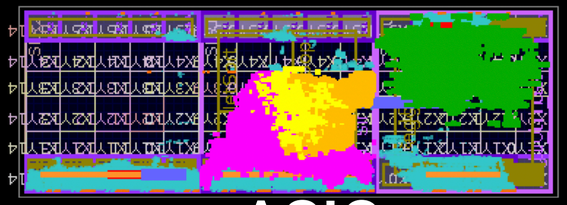


Co-processing kernel
(Accelerators/SoCs)

Hardware Model

FPGA custom designs



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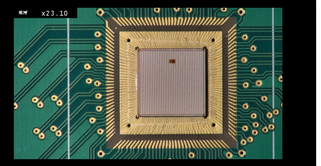

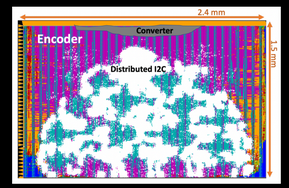

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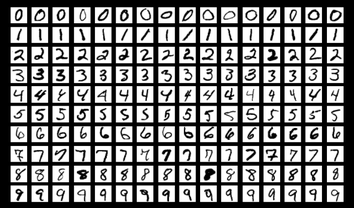

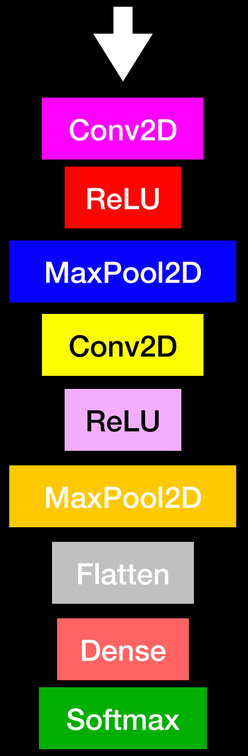

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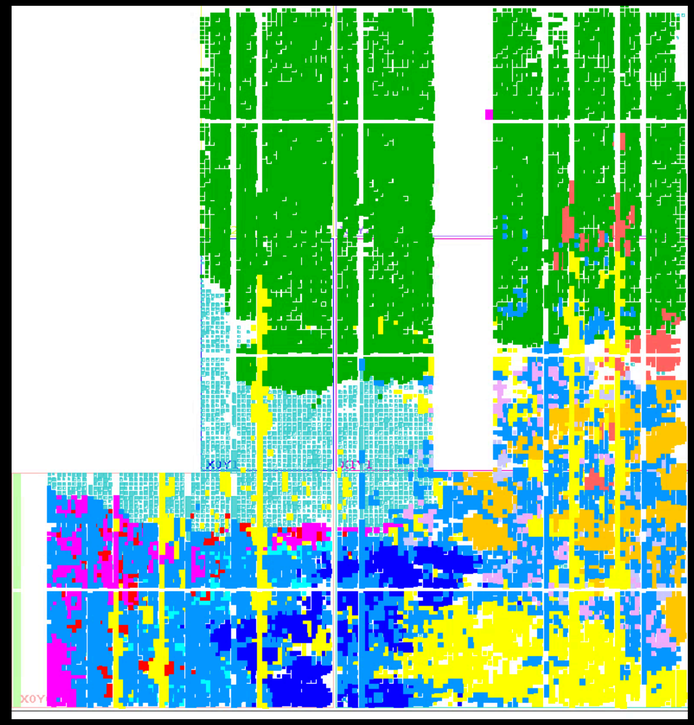
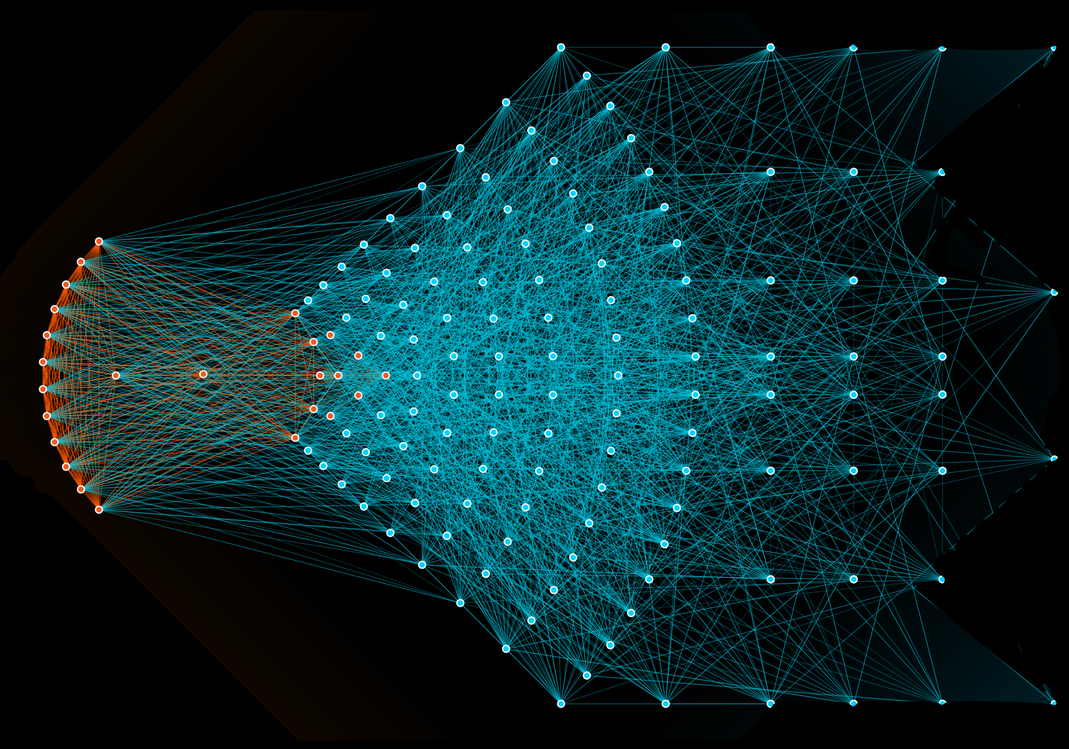


“Data flow architecture”

- Tailored hardware for a model
- Each layer is separate compute unit
- Stay on-chip
- “Decisions are design time”



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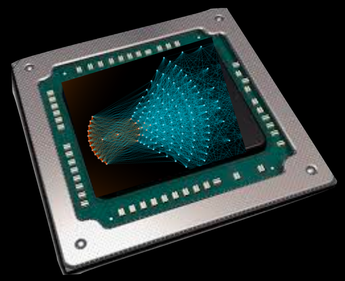

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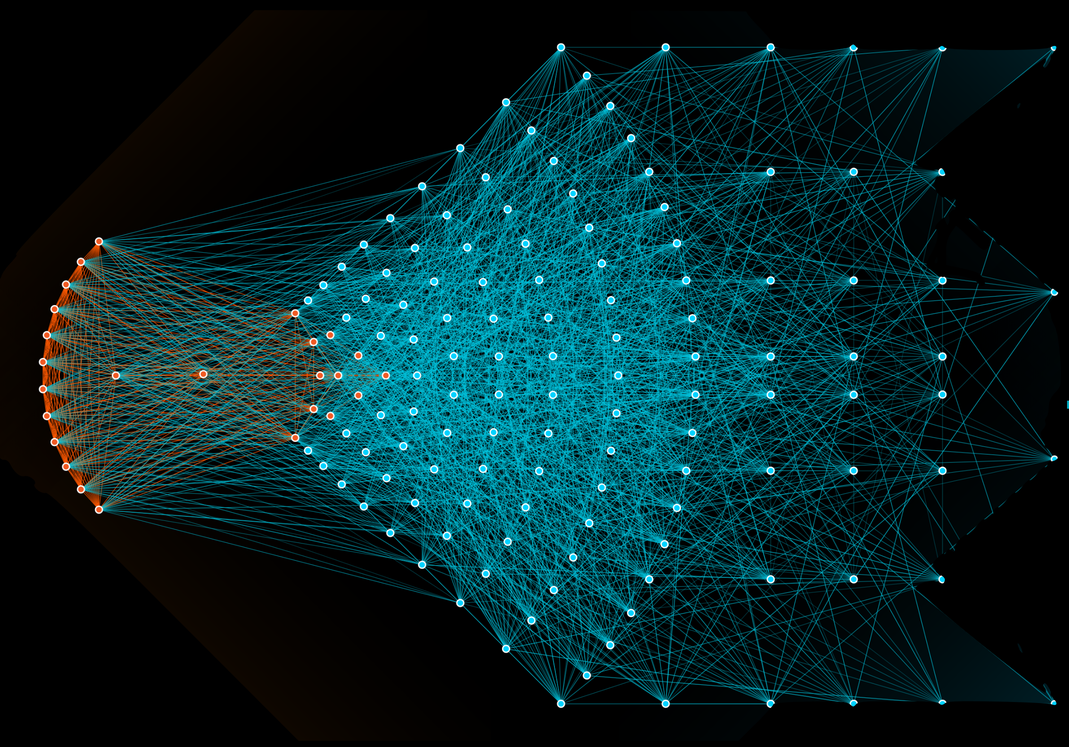
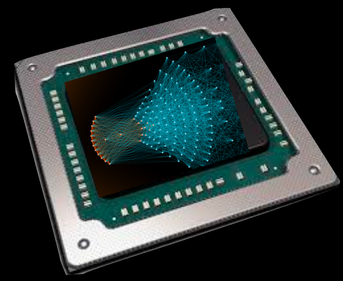


Ideally

- Quantization
- Pruning
- Parallelisation
- Knowledge distillation



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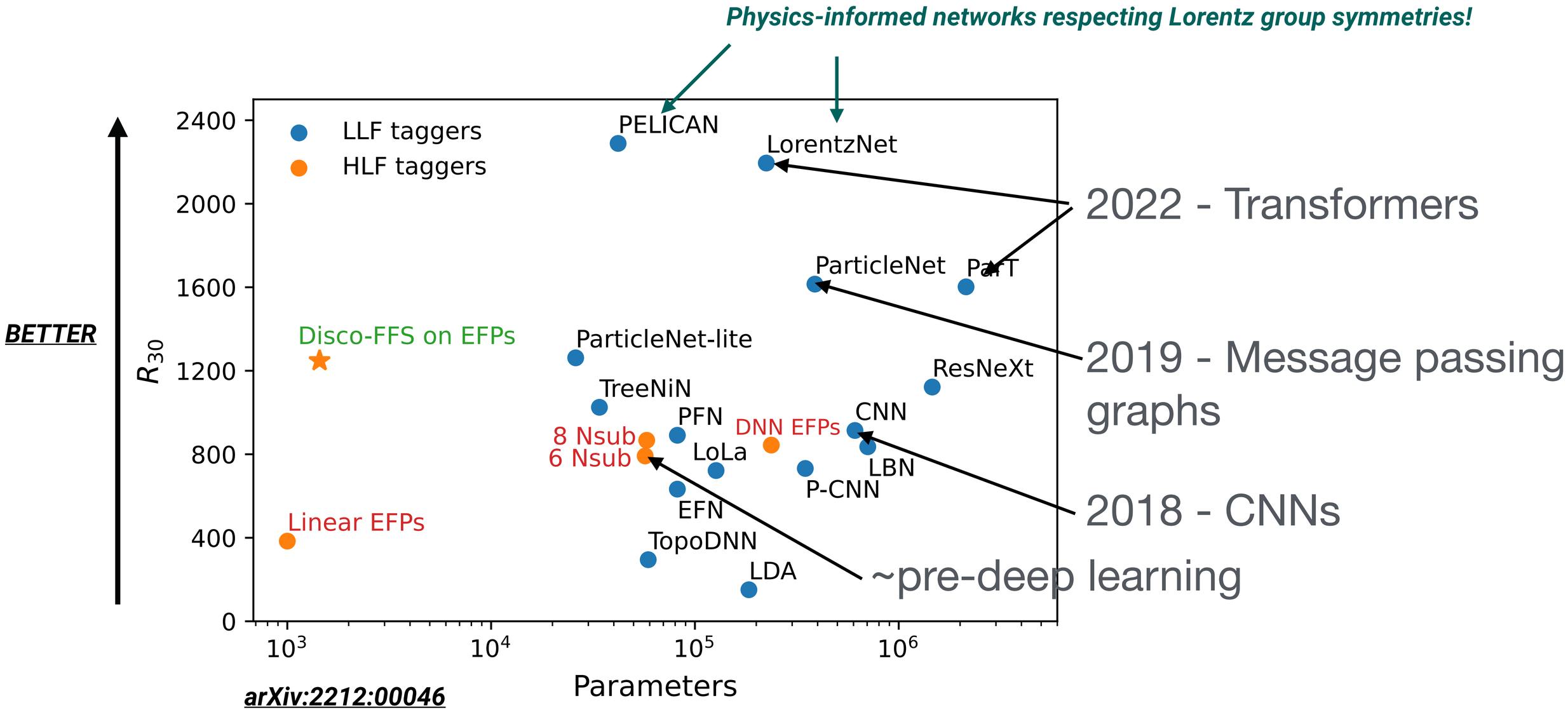
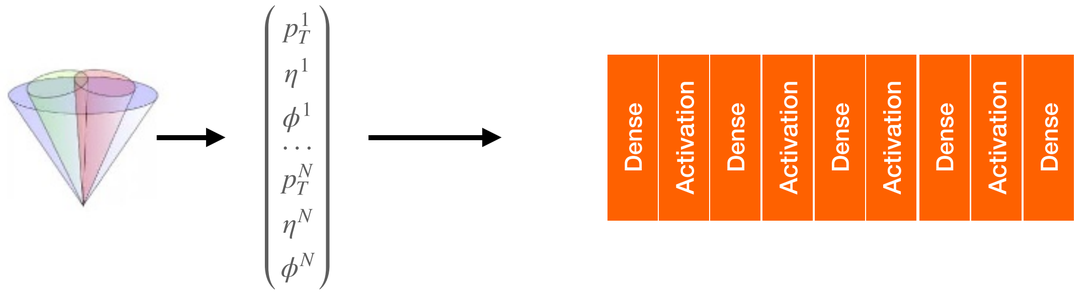
ASIDE: FLOPS versus trainable parameters!

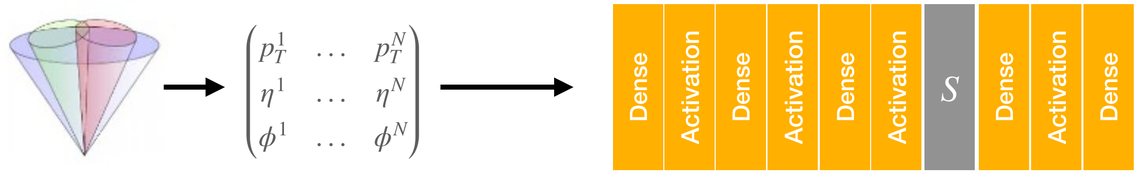


ASIDE: FLOPS versus trainable parameters!

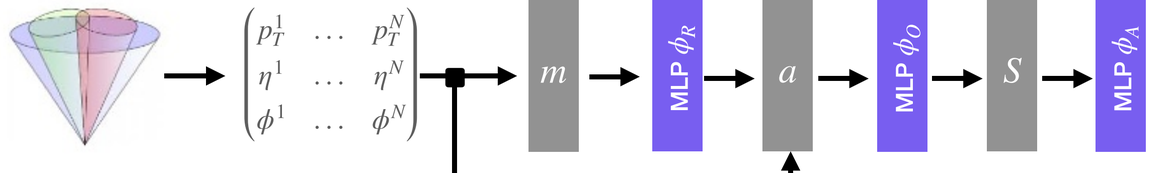
a) Multilayer Perceptron MLP



b) Deep Sets DS



c) Interaction Network IN



Architecture	Constituents	Parameters	FLOPs
MLP		26 826	53 162
DS	8	3461	36 805
IN		3347	37 232
MLP		20 245	40 485
DS	16	3461	71 109
IN		3347	140 432
MLP		24 101	48 197
DS	32	3461	139 717
IN		7400	109 556

Example FLOPs calculation

(Or use torchprofile and TensorFlow Profiler)

MLP: 16 → 64 → 32 → 32 → 5

Assumptions:

- 1 weight = 1 multiply + 1 add = **2 FLOPs**
- 1 activation ≈ **1 FLOP per neuron**

Layer-wise FLOPs:

1. Input → Hidden1 (16 → 64)

- Connections: 16 × 64 = 1024
- FLOPs: 2 × 1024 + 64 = **2112**

2. Hidden1 → Hidden2 (64 → 32)

- Connections: 64 × 32 = 2048
- FLOPs: 2 × 2048 + 32 = **4128**

3. Hidden2 → Hidden3 (32 → 32)

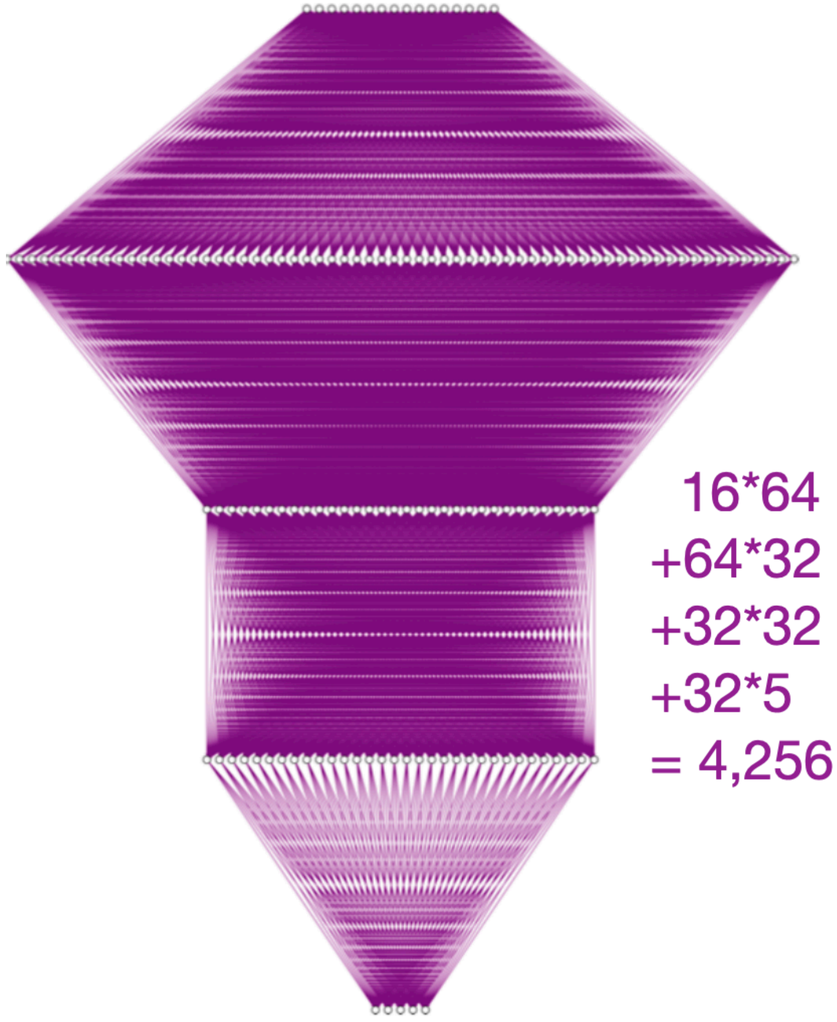
- Connections: 32 × 32 = 1024
- FLOPs: 2 × 1024 + 32 = **2080**

4. Hidden3 → Output (32 → 5)

- Connections: 32 × 5 = 160
- FLOPs: 2 × 160 + 5 = **325**

Total FLOPs (Forward Pass):

2112 + 4128 + 2080 + 325 = 8645 FLOPs



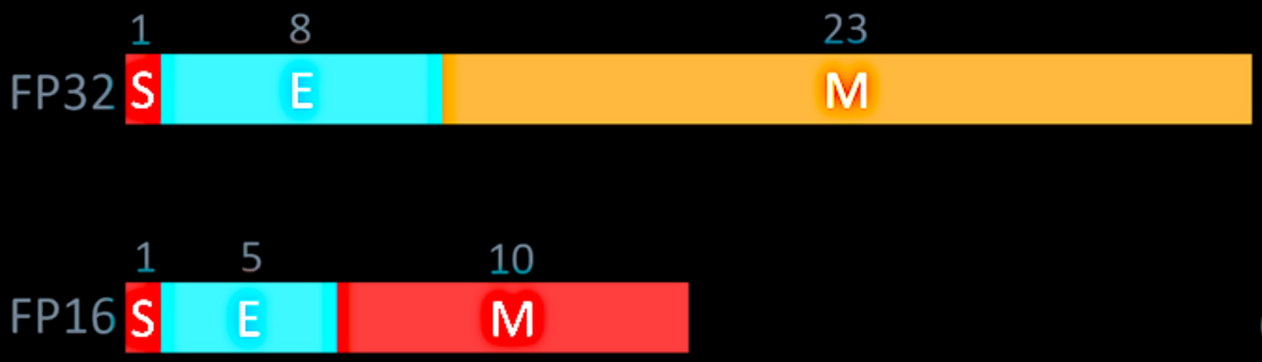
16*64
+64*32
+32*32
+32*5
= 4,256 synapses

Eg floating point 16

GPT-3

175,000,000,000

FP16 vs FP32



	Range	Accuracy	
FP32	10^{-38} - 10^{38}	0.000006%	→ ~700 GB
FP16	$6x10^{-5}$ - $6x10^{4}$	0.05%	→ ~350 GB

GPU & CPU

Memory:
~ FP16 x2 smaller than FP32
~ int8 x4 smaller than FP32

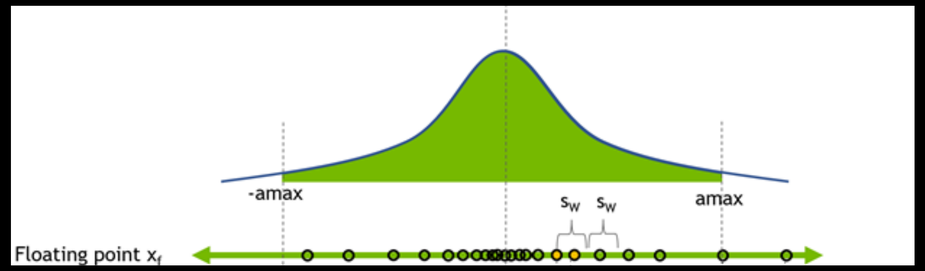
Speed:
~ FP16 x8 times faster than FP32

	Hopper	Ampere
Supported Tensor Core precisions	FP64, TF32, bfloat16, FP16, FP8, INT8	FP64, TF32, bfloat16, FP16, INT8, INT4, INT1

FPGA and ASIC

Fixed-point arithmetic:
Any precision!

Quantization



Floating point 32:
4B numbers in [-3.4e38, +3.4e38]

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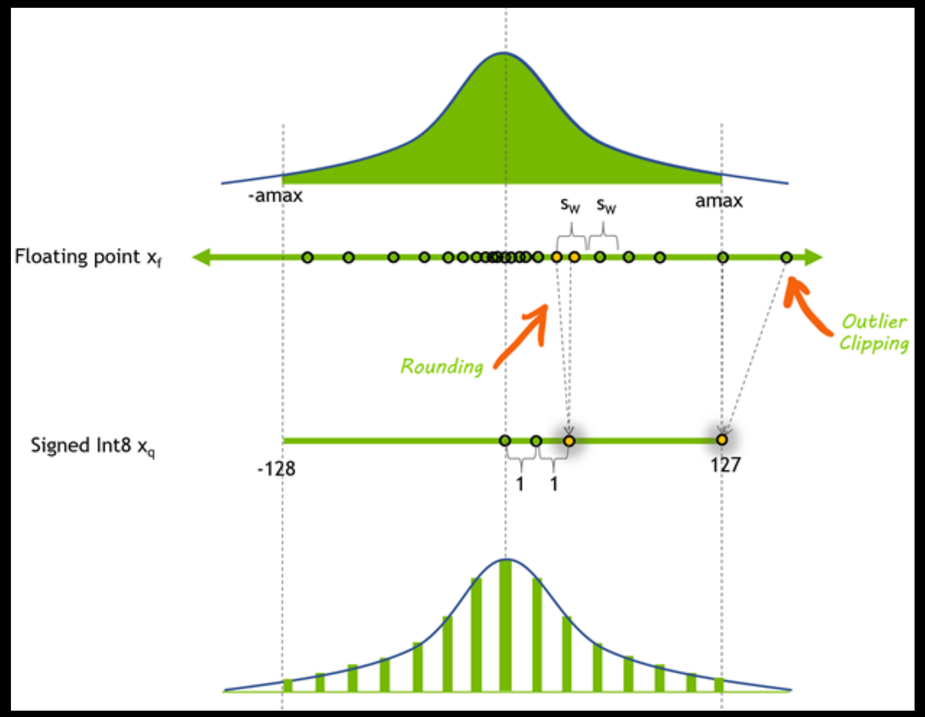
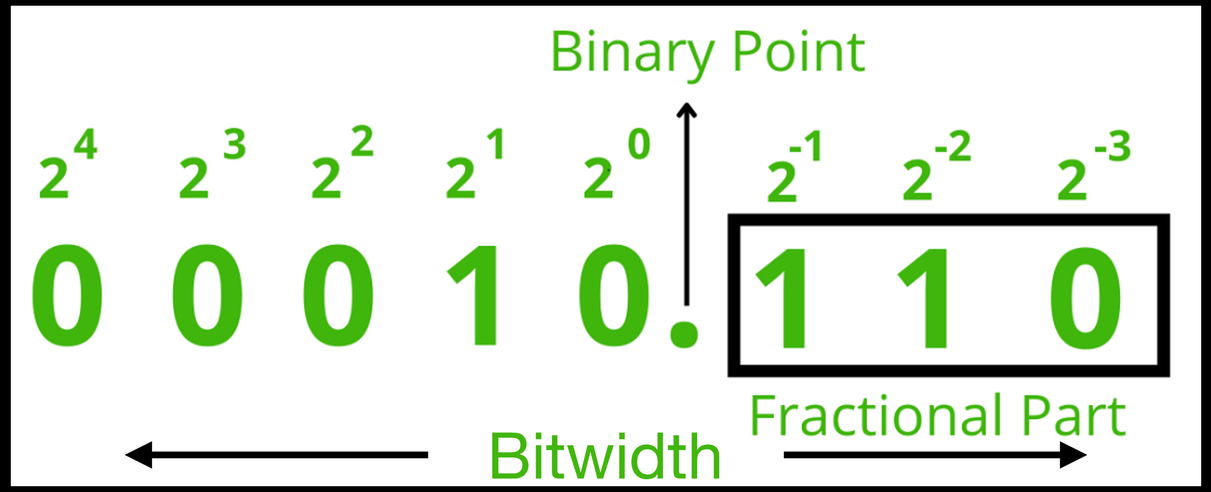


Quantising:
int8 2^8=256 numbers in [-128,127]

$$x_q = Clip(Round(\frac{x_f}{scale}))$$

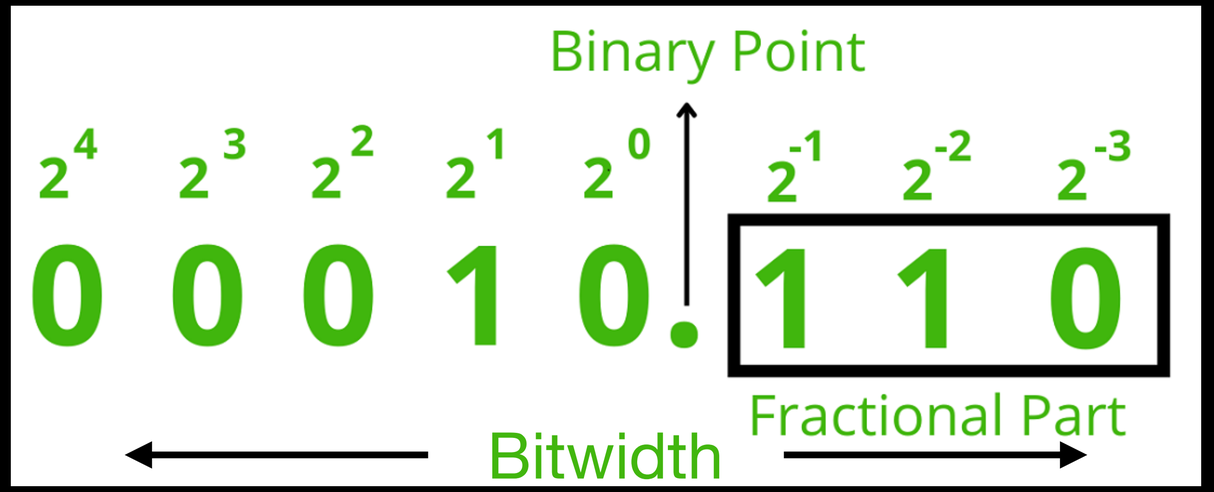
Fixed-point $< W, I >$

a way to express fractions with integers! E.g to represent 2.75:



$$= 2^4 \cdot 0 + 2^3 \cdot 0 + 2^2 \cdot 0 + 2^1 \cdot 1 + 2^0 \cdot 0 + 2^{-1} \cdot 1 + 2^{-2} \cdot 1 + 2^{-3} \cdot 0 = 2.75$$

Fixed-point $< W, I >$



Trade off: range (integer bits) and precision (fractional bits). E.g $< 8,0 >$:

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{1}{2^F} = \frac{1}{2^8} = 0.00390625$$

$$\text{Range} = [-2^0, -2^0 - 1] = [-1,0]$$

EXTRA

- On your CPU (and GPU) you are probably familiar with integer and floating point numerical formats
- Integer represents integer values in a fixed number of bits (e.g. 32, 16, 8)
- Floating point represents values with a mantissa and exponent : $m \cdot 2^e$
  - It's like scientific notation with binary
- Simplified examples, representing the number 113, ignoring sign (positive values only)

Base 10 integer
113_{10}

10^2	10^1	10^0
1	1	3

Base 10 floating point
(3 digit mantissa,
2 digit exponent)
$1.13 \times 10^{2.0}$

10^0	10^{-1}	10^{-2}		10^0	10^{-1}
1 .	1	3	· 10^	2 .	0

Base 2 integer
0b01110001

2^7	2^6	2^5	2^4	2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1

Base 2 floating point
(4 bit mantissa,
4 bit exponent)
$14 \times 2^8 = 112$
(Approximate)

2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0		2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0
1	1	1	0	· 2^	1	0	0	0

EXTRA

Fixed Point

- **Exercise**: what are the values ("in base 10") of these 8 bit unsigned fixed-point numbers?
  - What are the maximum and minimum values?

a.

Integer				Fraction			
2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0	2^{-1}	2^{-2}	2^{-3}	2^{-4}
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1

b.

Integer						Fraction	
2^5	2^4	2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0	2^{-1}	2^{-2}
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1

c.

Fraction							
2^{-4}	2^{-5}	2^{-6}	2^{-7}	2^{-8}	2^{-9}	2^{-11}	2^{-11}
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1

Example

Integer				Fraction			
2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0	2^{-1}	2^{-2}	2^{-3}	2^{-4}
1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1

$= 9\ .3125_{10}$

EXTRA

Fixed Point

a.

Integer				Fraction			
2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0	2^{-1}	2^{-2}	2^{-3}	2^{-4}
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1

X = 7.0625
Max = 15.9375
Min = 0.0625

b.

Integer						Fraction	
2^5	2^4	2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0	2^{-1}	2^{-2}
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1

x = 28.25
Max = 63.75
Min = 0.25

c.

Fraction							
2^{-4}	2^{-5}	2^{-6}	2^{-7}	2^{-8}	2^{-9}	2^{-11}	2^{-11}
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1

X = 0.05517578125
Max = 0.12451171875
Min = 0.00048828125

Example

Integer				Fraction			
2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0	2^{-1}	2^{-2}	2^{-3}	2^{-4}
1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1

= 9 .3125$_{10}$

EXTRA

Adding and subtracting

- Operand 0: F_0 fractional bits, I_0 integer bits (F_0 + I_0 width); Operand 1: F_1 fractional bits, I_1 integer bits (F_1 + I_1 width)

- Addition:
  - To safely add/subtract two fixed-point values, align the binary point first (HLS will do this automatically)
  - The result must accommodate the largest integer range and maximum fractional precision
  - Integer bits : $\max(I_0, I_1) + 1$ // +1 for carry
  - Fractional bits: $\max(F_0, F_1)$
  - Total width : $\max(I_0, I_1) + \max(F_0, F_1) + 1$
- Multiplication:
  - When multiplying two fixed-point numbers, both integer and fractional parts grow
  - The binary point is at the sum of the original positions
  - Integer bits : $I_0 + I_1$
  - Fractional bits: $F_0 + F_1$

EXTRA

Bit growth and domain knowledge

- It can be useful to use some domain knowledge about the realistic values to constrain the types
  - i.e. grow then shrink
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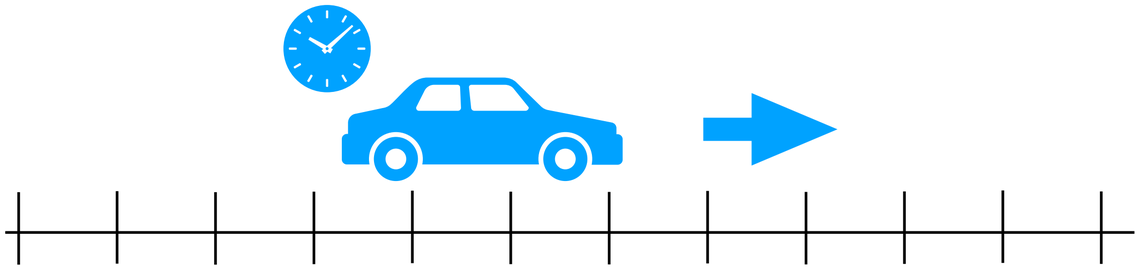


- Example: d = v · t distance: meters; time: seconds; velocity: meters per second
  - For a car, suppose v ∈ [0, 50] m/s (50 m/s ≃ 180 km/h) ; t ∈ [0, 20] s sampling device
  - Then v → `ap_ufixed<10,6>` and t → `ap_ufixed<10,6>` — values up to 63, steps of 1/16 ~ 0.06
  - Bitgrowth multiplication rule yields `ap_ufixed<20, 12>` — values up to 4095 m, steps of 1/256 ~ 0.004
  - But given our constraints the real maximum value could be 1000 m, and 0.004 m is too precise
  - Could clip to `ap_fixed<14, 10, AP_RND, AP_SAT>` for our real range and a reasonable precision, with rounding and saturation for safety — values up to 1023 m, steps of 1/16 ~ 0.06 m

Why bother?

Precision	Approx. **Peak GOPS**	On-chip weights
1b	64 000	~64 M
4b	16 000	~16 M
8b	4 000	~8 M
32b	300	~2 M

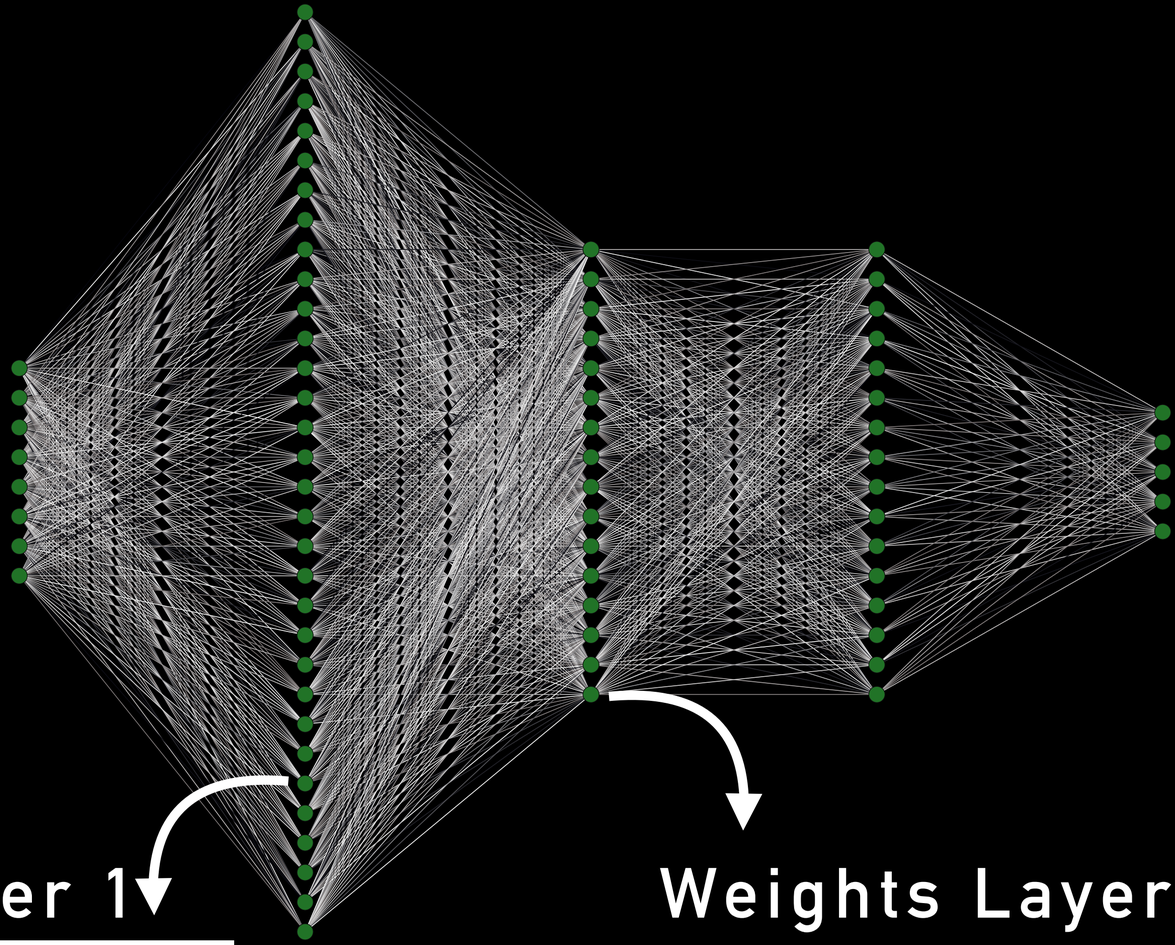
200x

30x

Trillions of quantized operations per second

Weights can stay **entirely on-chip**

AMD UltraScale+ MPSoC ZU19EG (conservative estimates)



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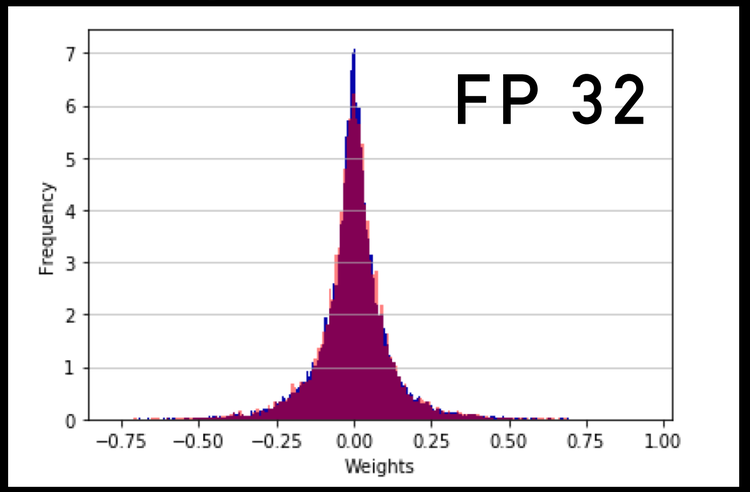

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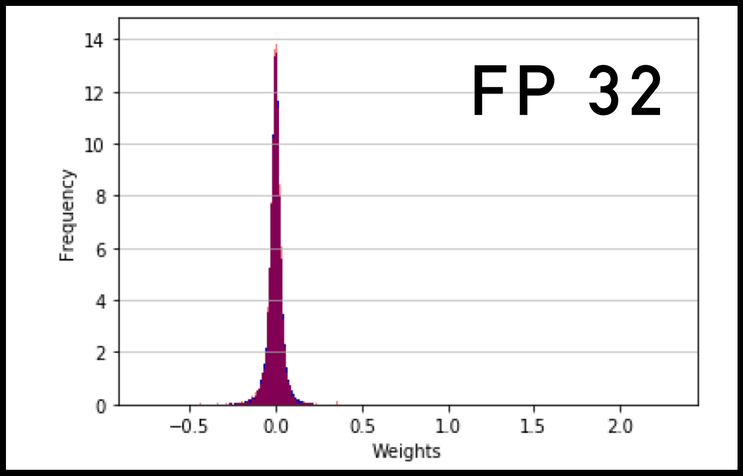

More number exercises

- What precision (bit width, integer bits) would you use for the model input and why?

- Example: I want to represent a number 0-120 to 3 decimals

  - Q1: “What power of 2 is just greater than my number?”
    log2(120) = 6.9 => 7 bits (2^7-1=127)

  - Q2: “What power of 2 is just less than 0.001?”
    -log2(10^{-3}) = 9.9 => 10 bits. (2^{-10}=0.0009766, 2^{-9}=0.00195)

  - Maximum number you can represent is: 2^7-1=127 (from integer part) + (1-2^{-10}=)for the fractional part

  - If its positive only I can keep it unsigned:
    ap_ufixed<17,7,AP_RND,AP_SAT>

Part 1: Getting started

- Can I tell hls4ml? Yes!
- Find your input layer. What is its name? (“input_1”)
- You can set the precision of that input!

```
input_precision = ‘ap_ufixed<17,7,AP_RND,AP_SAT>'
for layer in model.layers:
    layer_name = layer.__class__.__name__
    if layer_name in ["BatchNormalization", "InputLayer"]:
        config["LayerName"][layer.name]["Precision"] = input_precision
```

This is a fixed-point number with:
Total bits: 17
Integer bits: 7 (so, 7 integer + 10 fractional bits)

Rounding mode: AP_RND:
when a fixed-point operation produces a result that doesn't fit precisely into the target precision, the value is **rounded to the nearest representable number**.

Saturation mode: AP_SAT
When a value exceeds the representable range (e.g., overflows or underflows), instead of wrapping around (which would happen with AP_WRAP), the value is **saturated**:

- If it’s too **large**, it is clamped to the **maximum representable value**.
- If it’s too **small**, it is clamped to the **minimum representable value**.

input_precision = ‘ap_ufixed<17,7,AP_RND,AP_SAT>'

Saturation is expensive!
Additional logic complexity (comparisons logic (Is the result > max representable value?), output must be replaced etc.

Part 1: Getting started

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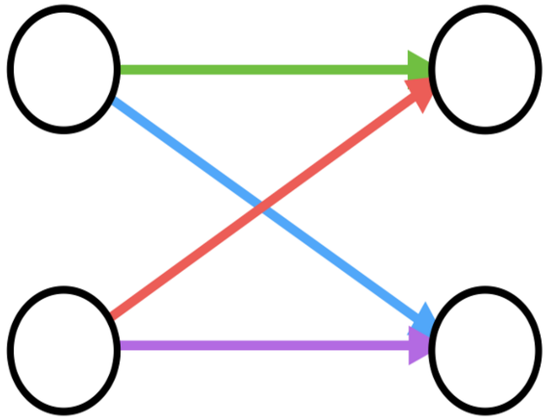
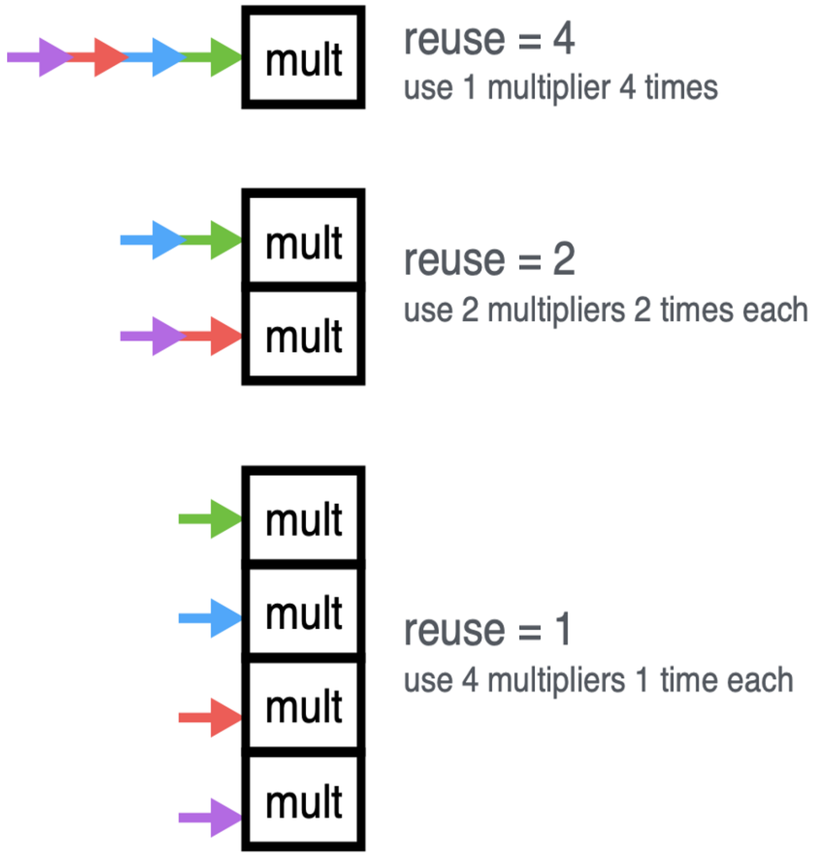
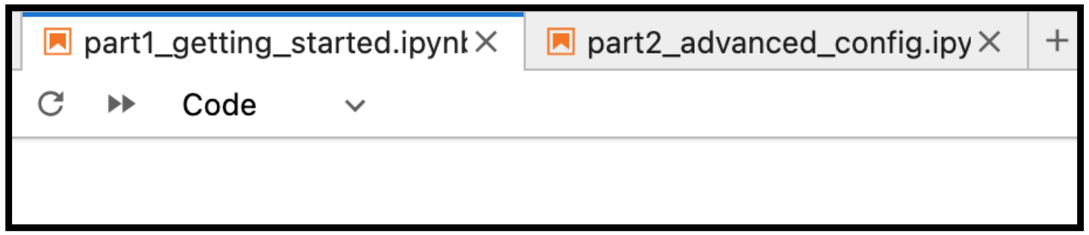
Part 1 & 2

Parallelisation







Fully serial

Fewer resources
Lower throughput
Higher latency

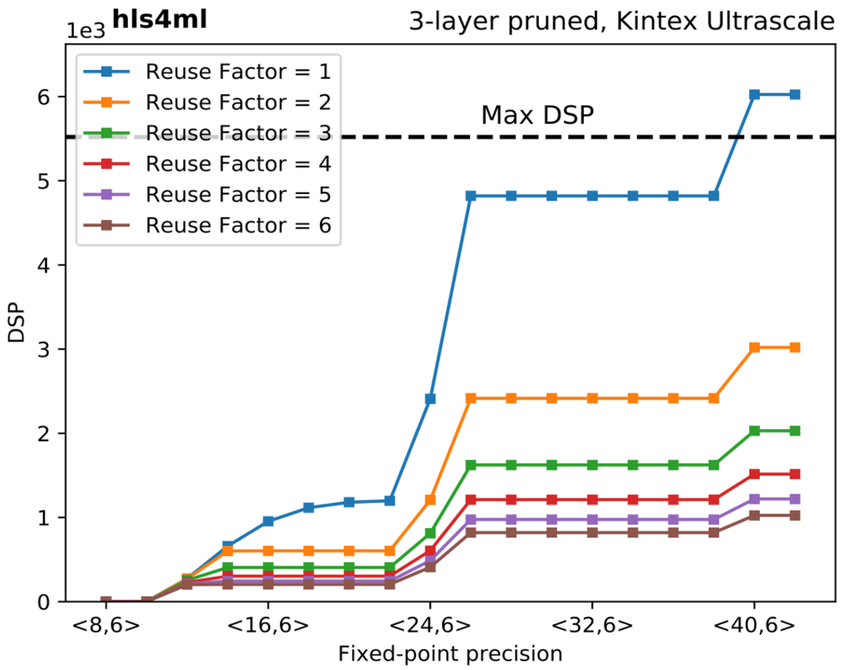
Fully parallel

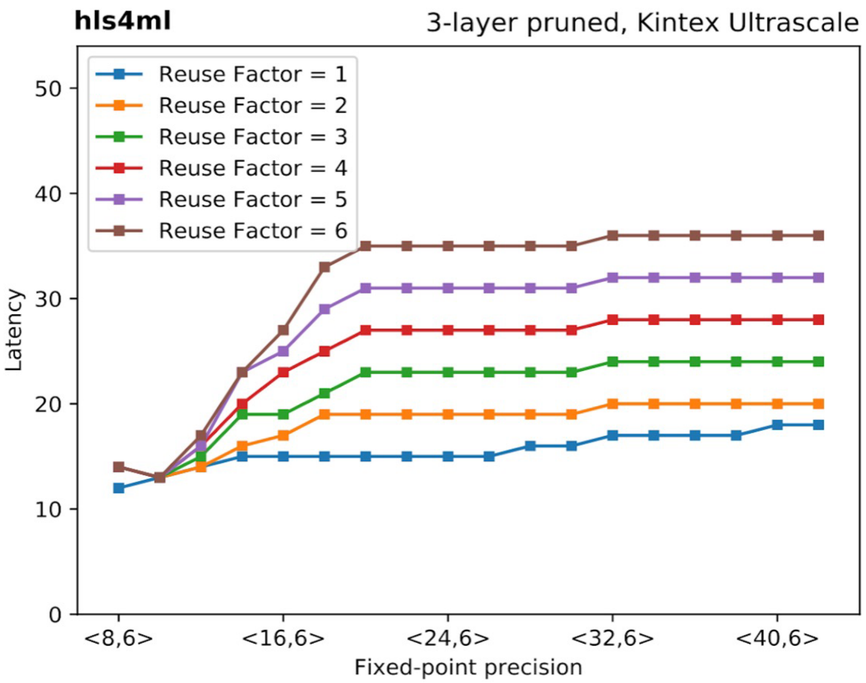
More resources
Higher throughput
Lower latency

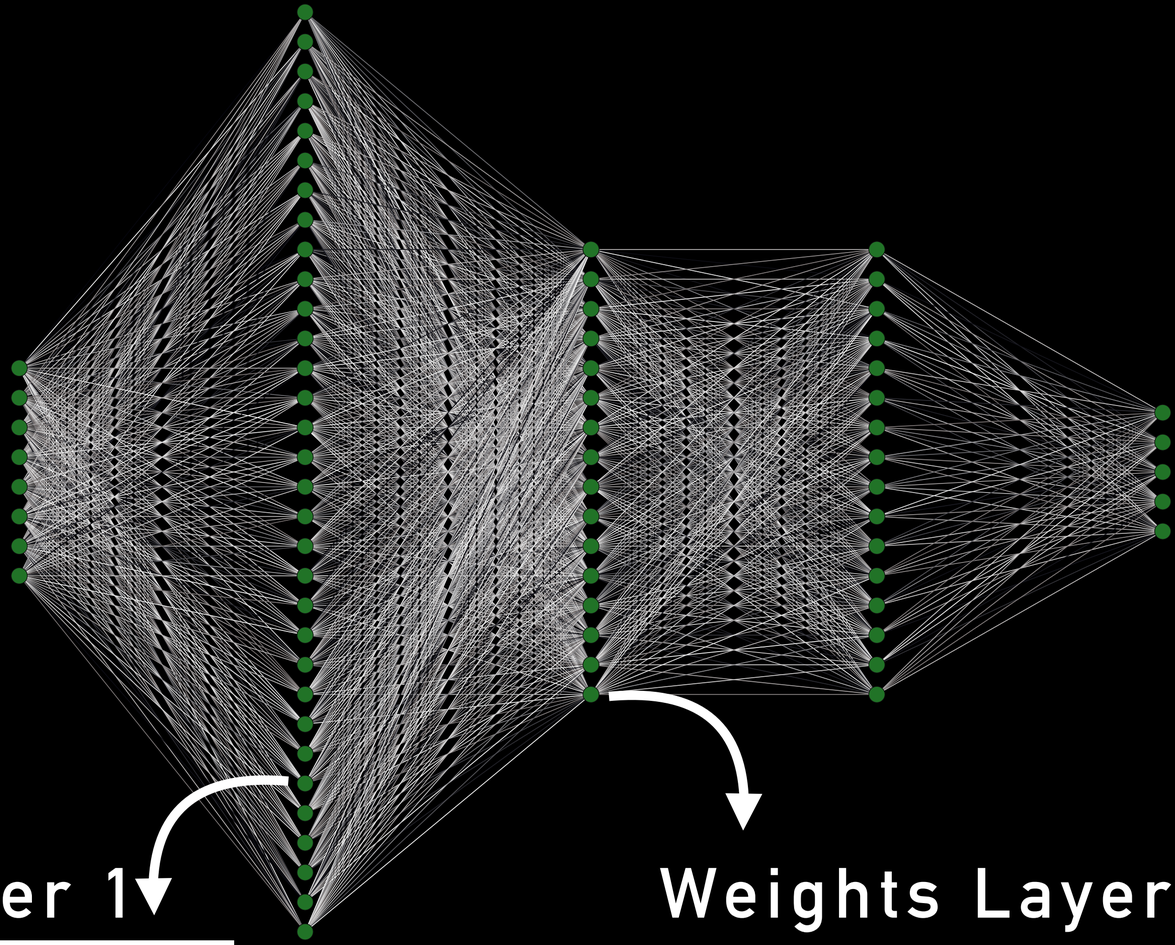
Fully parallel
Each mult. used 1x

Each mult. used 2x

Each mult. used 3x







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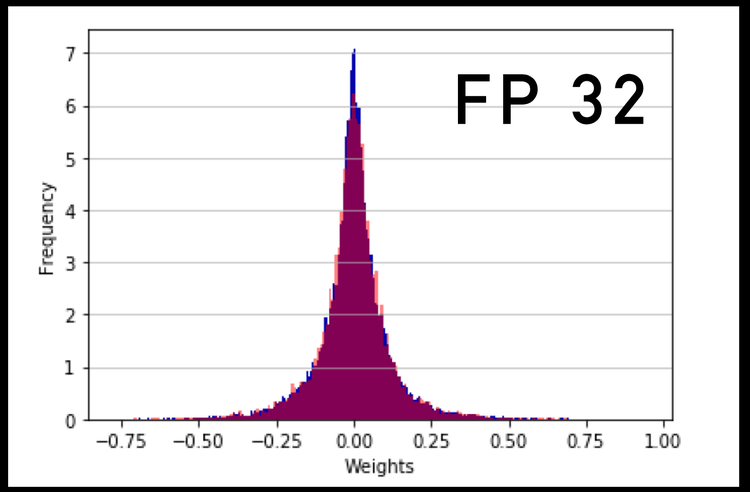

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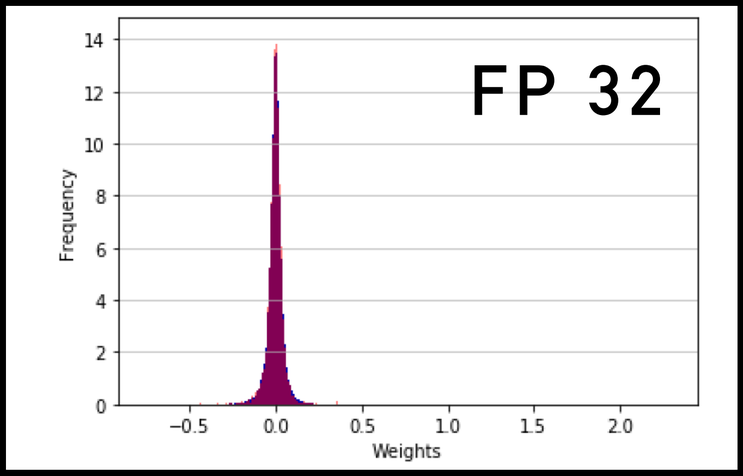

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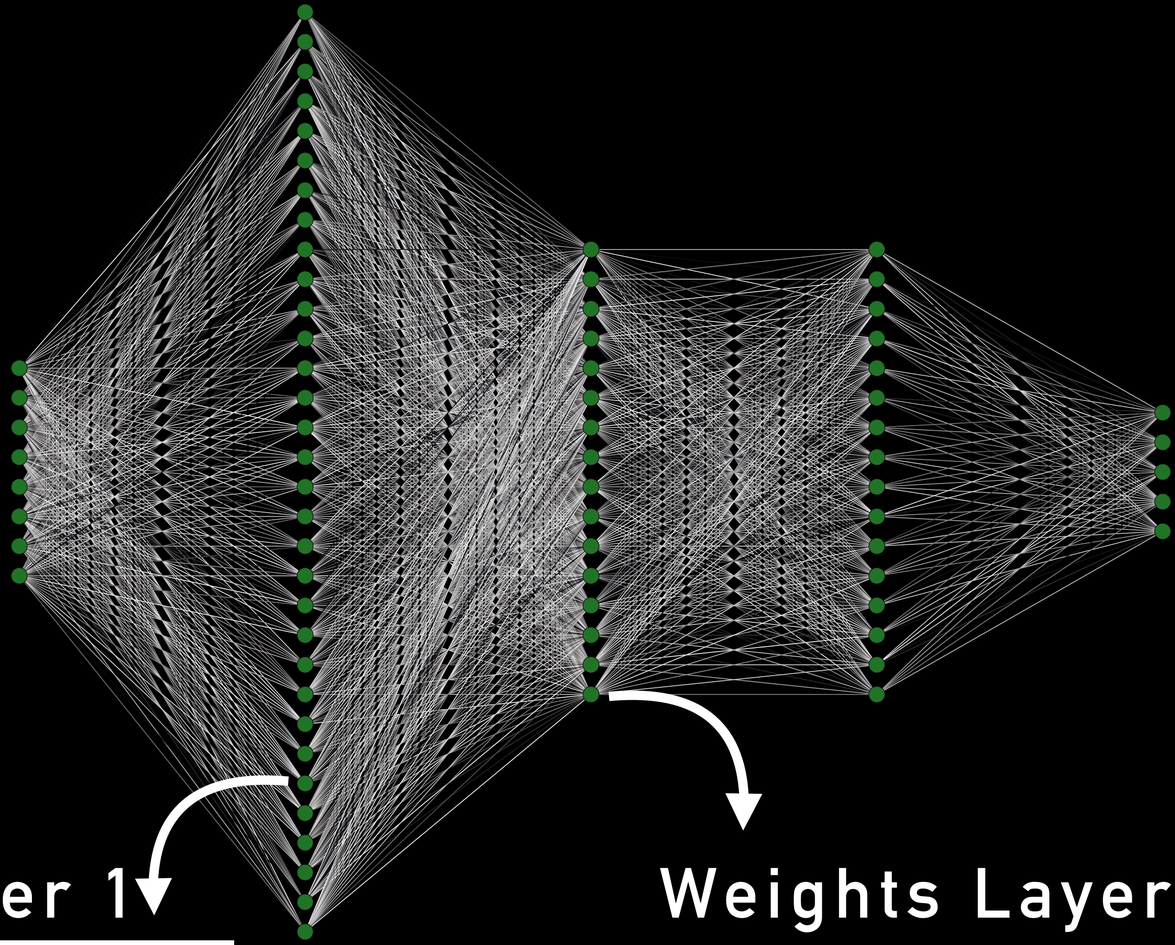

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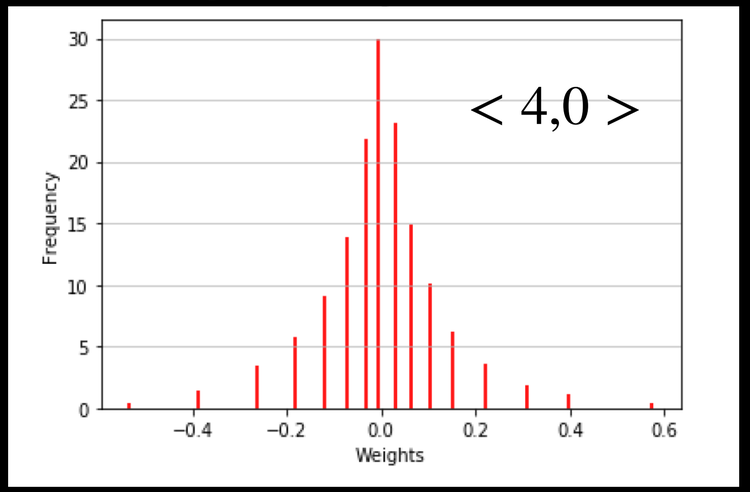

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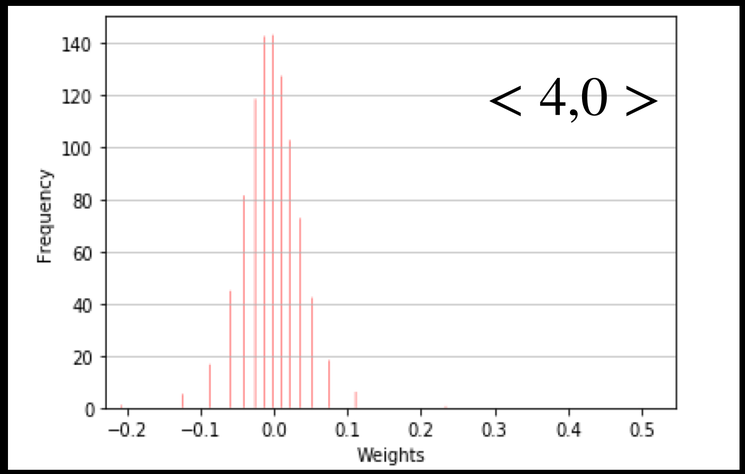

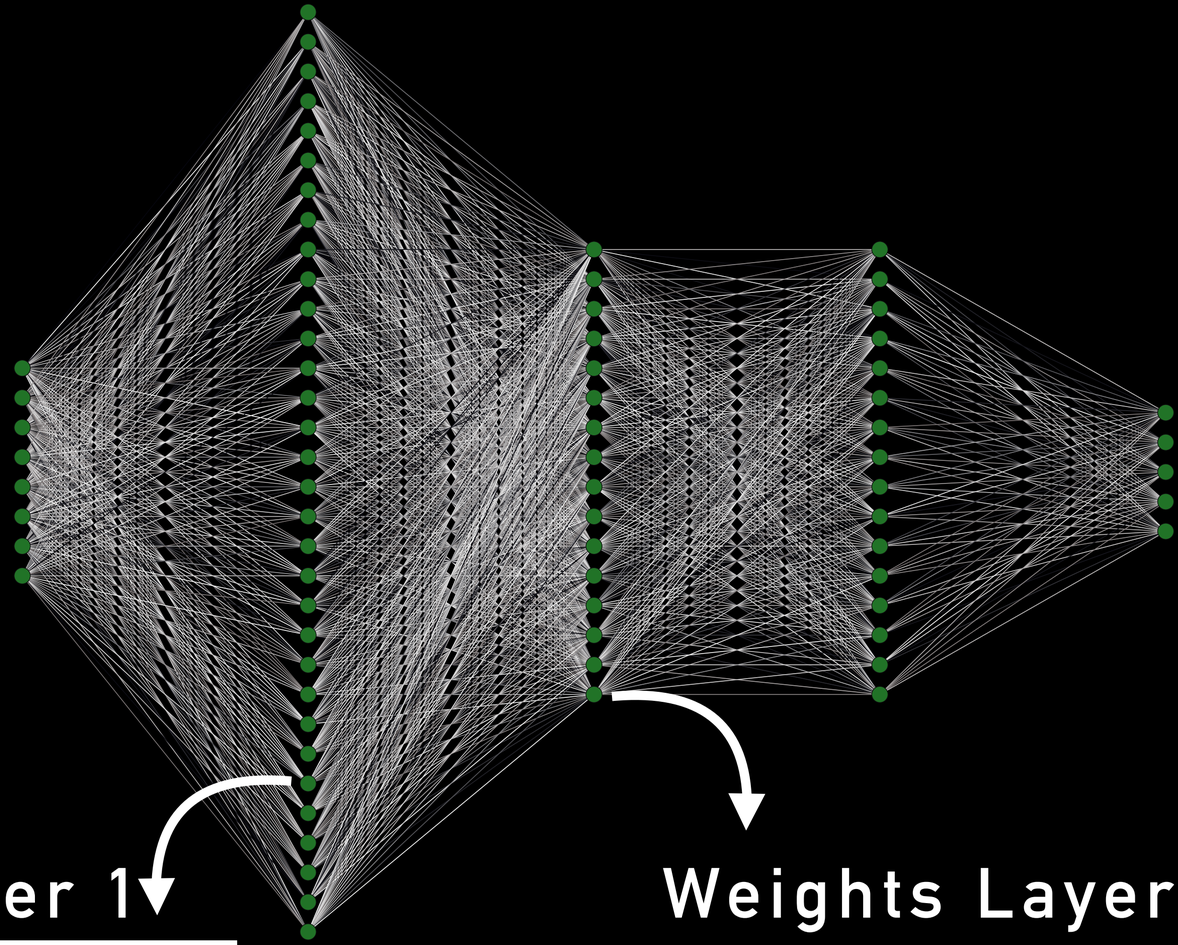

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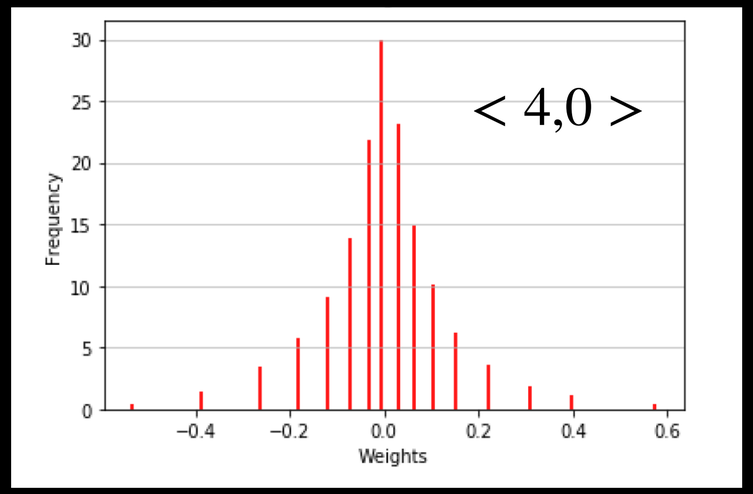

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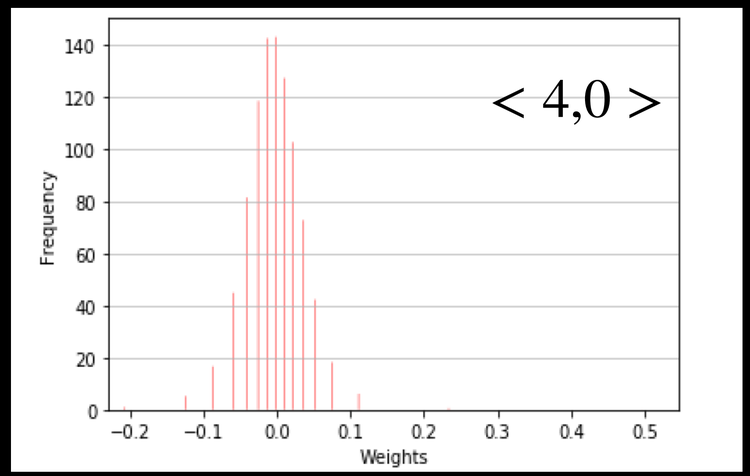

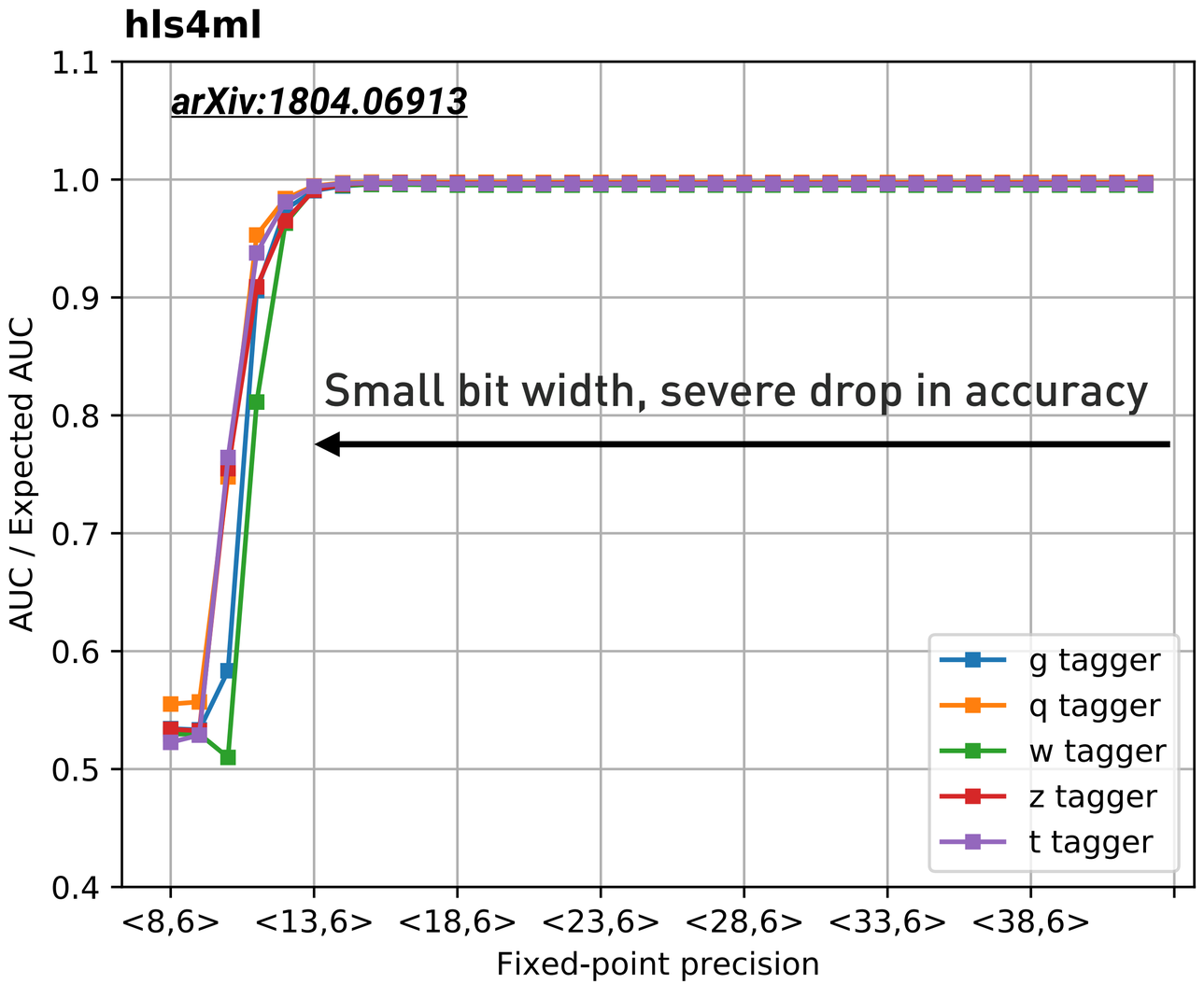
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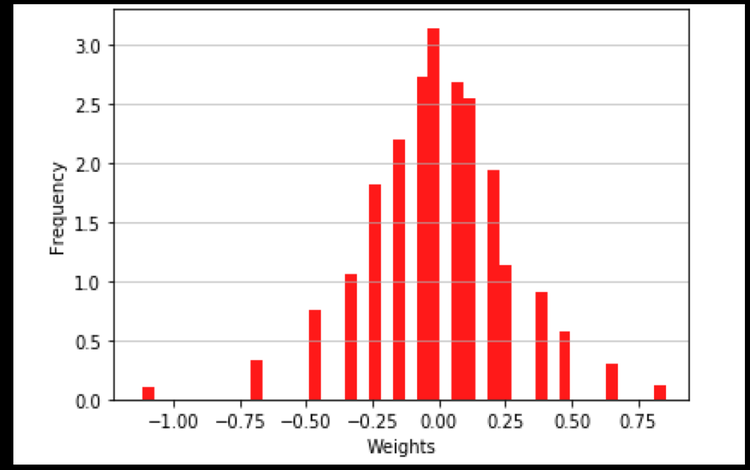
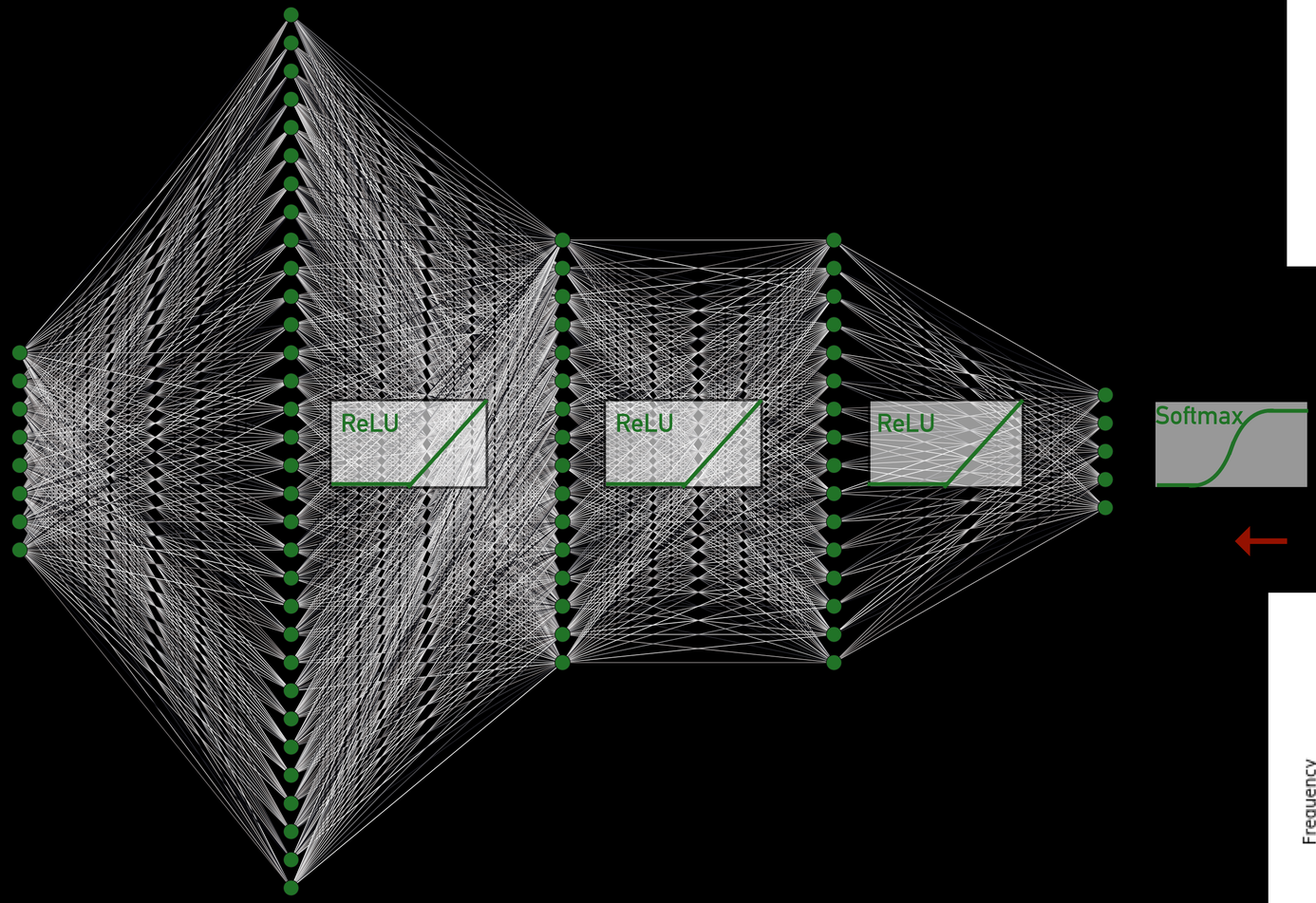
Quantization-aware training

Forward pass →





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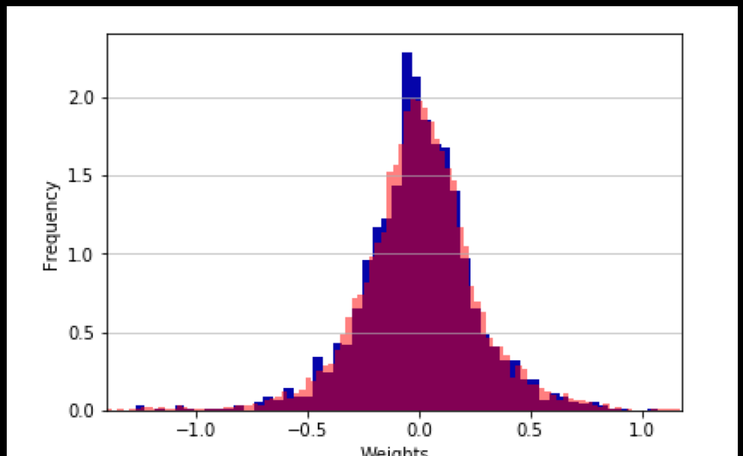

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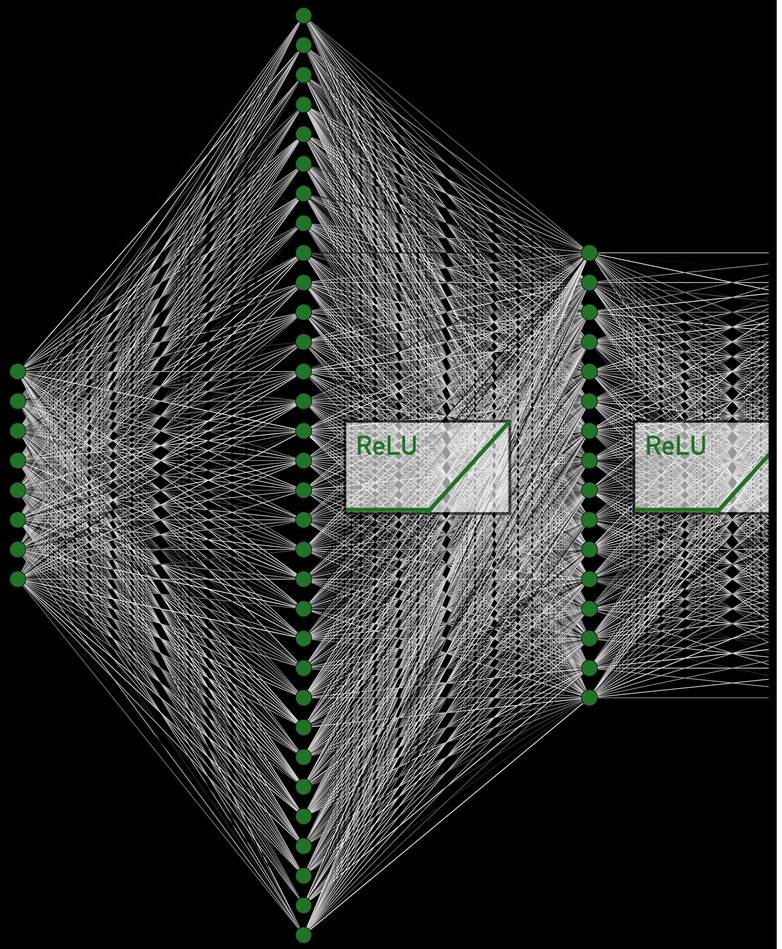

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Exercise 4

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from tensorflow.keras.layers import ...tion
from qkeras import quantized_bits
from qkeras import QDense, QActivation
from qkeras import QBatchNormalization

x = Input((16))
x = QDense(64,
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x = QBatchNormalization()(x)
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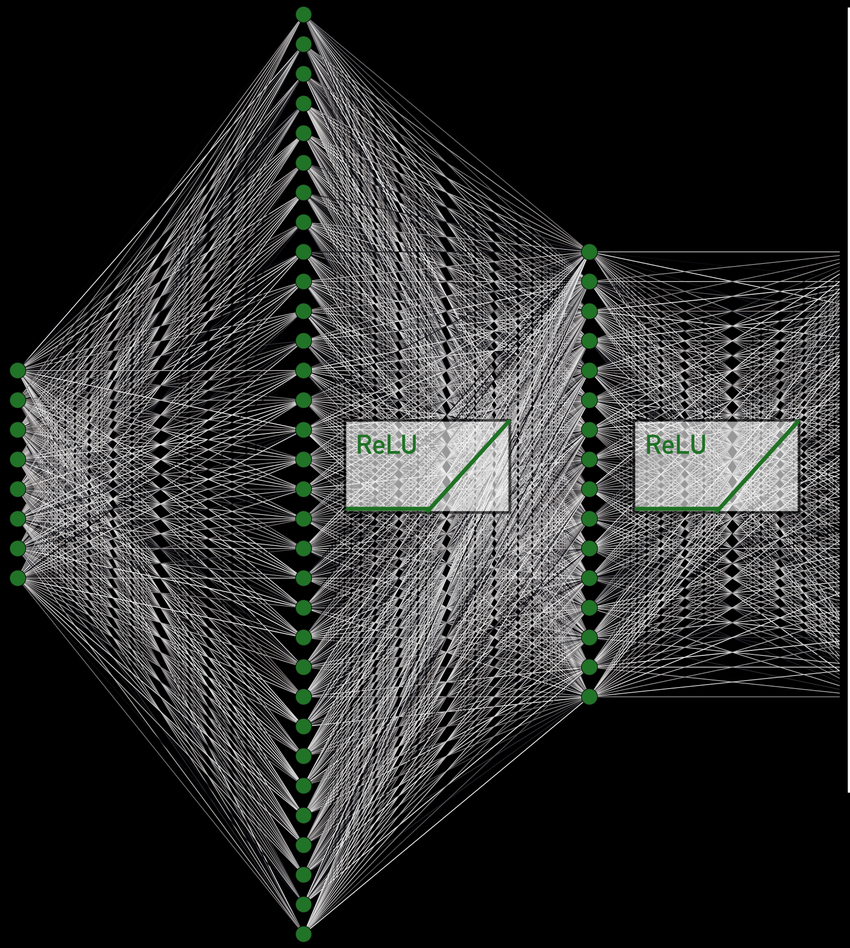

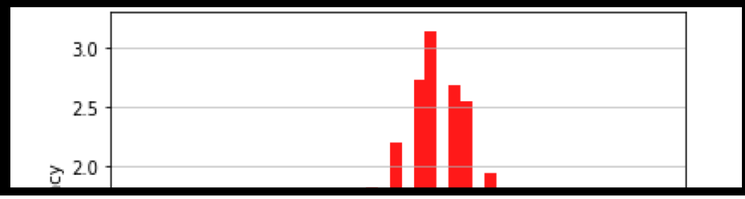

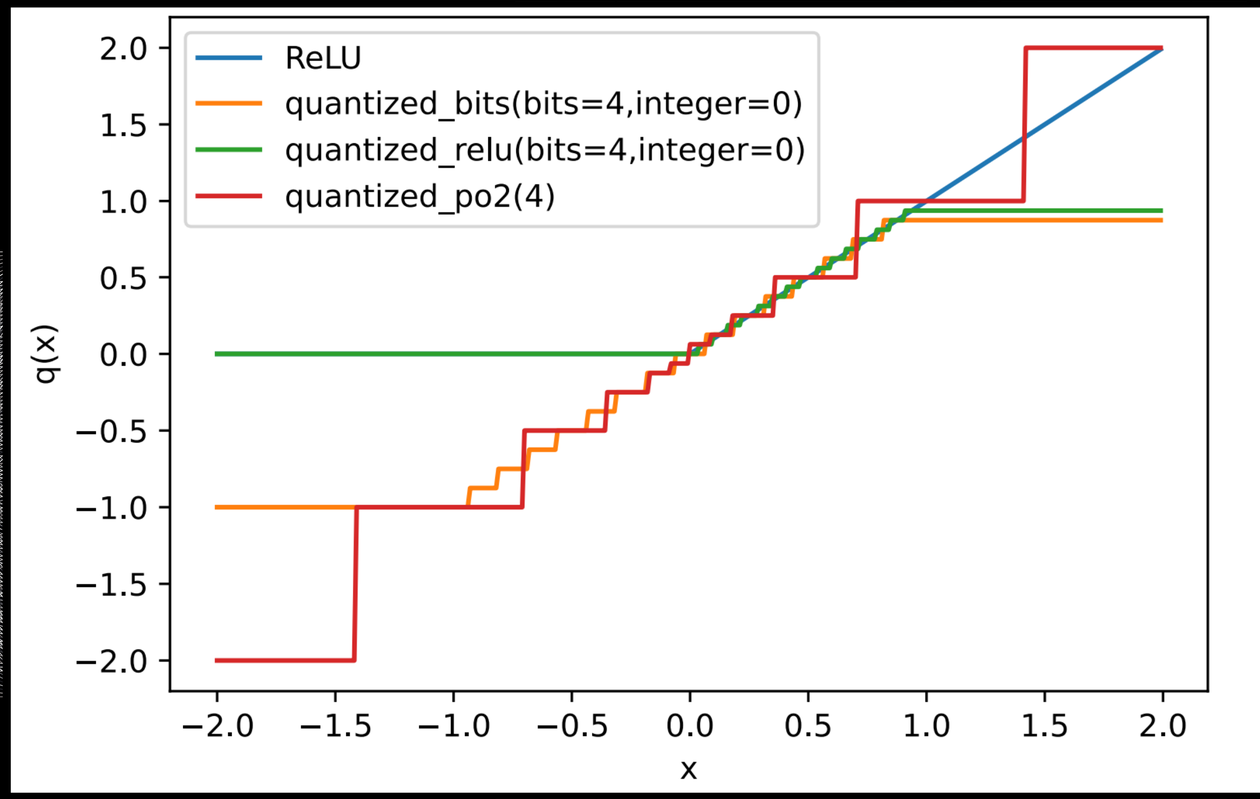

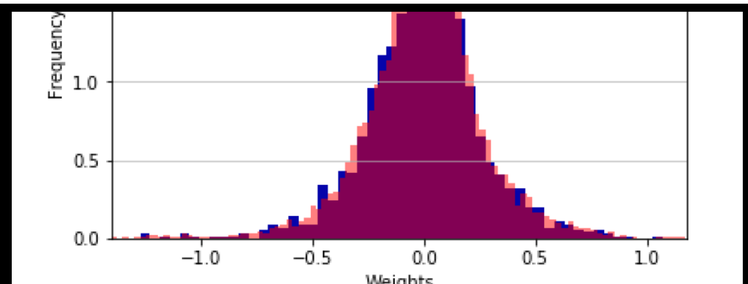

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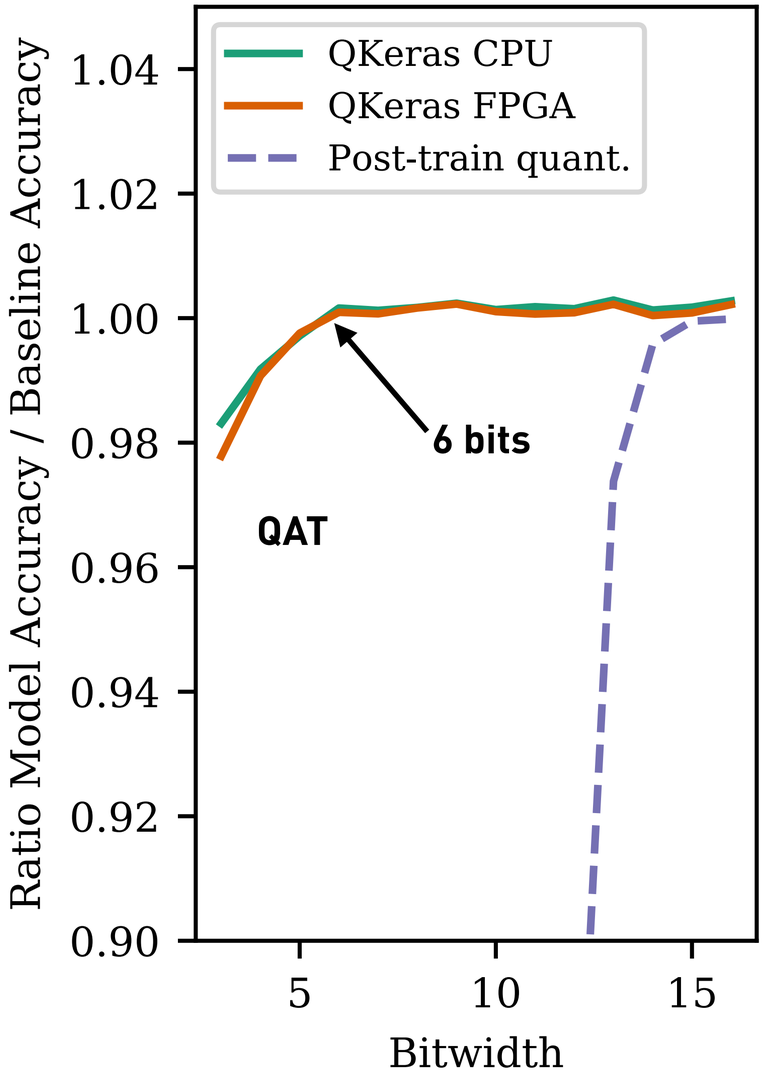

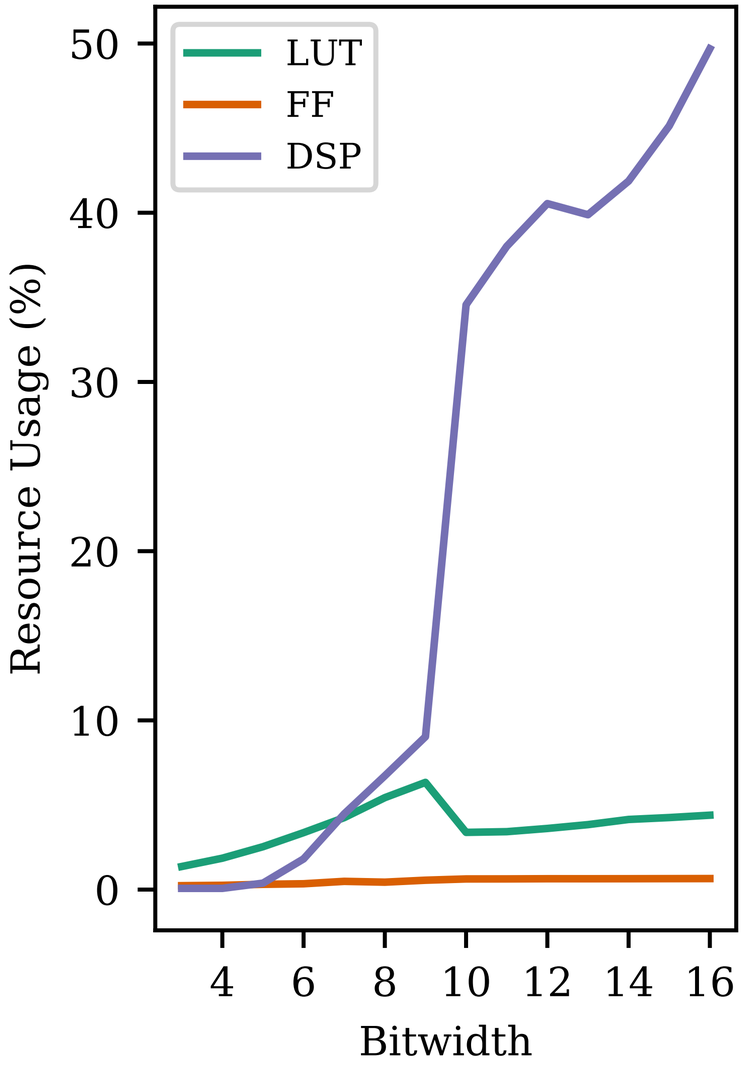

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QTools: Estimate QKeras model bit and energy consumption, assuming 45 nm Horowitz process

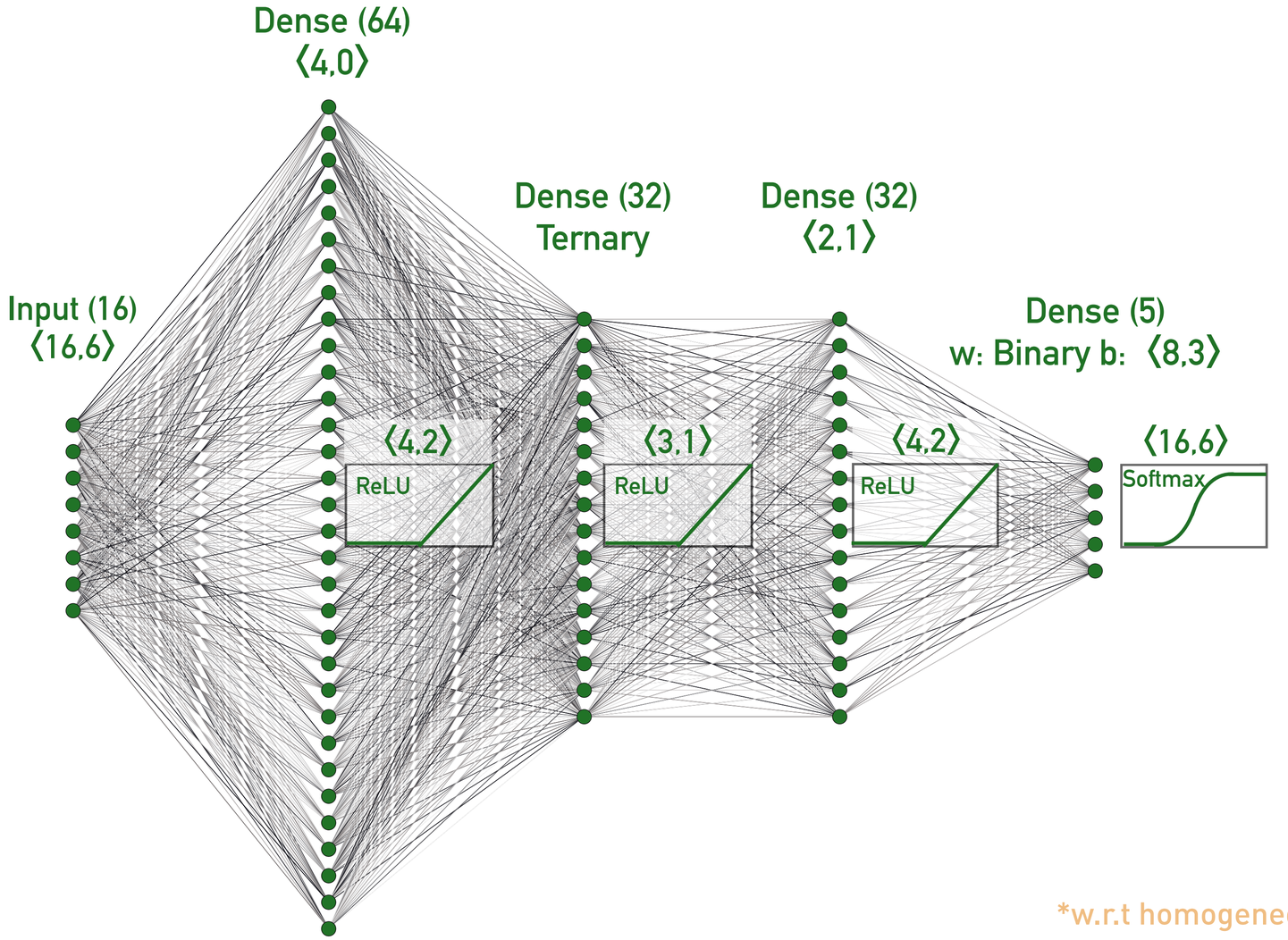
- Relative model size in bits
- Relative energy consumption in Watts

Model	Accuracy [%]	Per-layer energy consumption [pJ]								Total energy [μJ]	Total bits
		Dense	ReLU	Dense	ReLU	Dense	ReLU	Dense	Softmax		
BF	74.4	1735	53	3240	27	1630	27	281	11	0.00700	61446
Q6	74.8	794	23	1120	11	562	11	99	11	0.00263	26334

$$\text{Forgiving Factor} = 1 + \Delta_{accuracy} \times \log_{rate}(S \times \frac{Cost_{ref}}{Cost_{trial}})$$

Maximize accuracy + minimizing cost in hyper parameter scan over quantizers: AutoQKeras

AutoQKeras



*w.r.t homogeneously quantized 6 bit model

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QE	72.3	⟨4, 0⟩	⟨4, 2⟩	Ternary	⟨3, 1⟩	⟨2, 1⟩	⟨4, 2⟩	w: Stoc. bin. b: ⟨8, 3⟩	⟨16, 6⟩	0.27	0.18*

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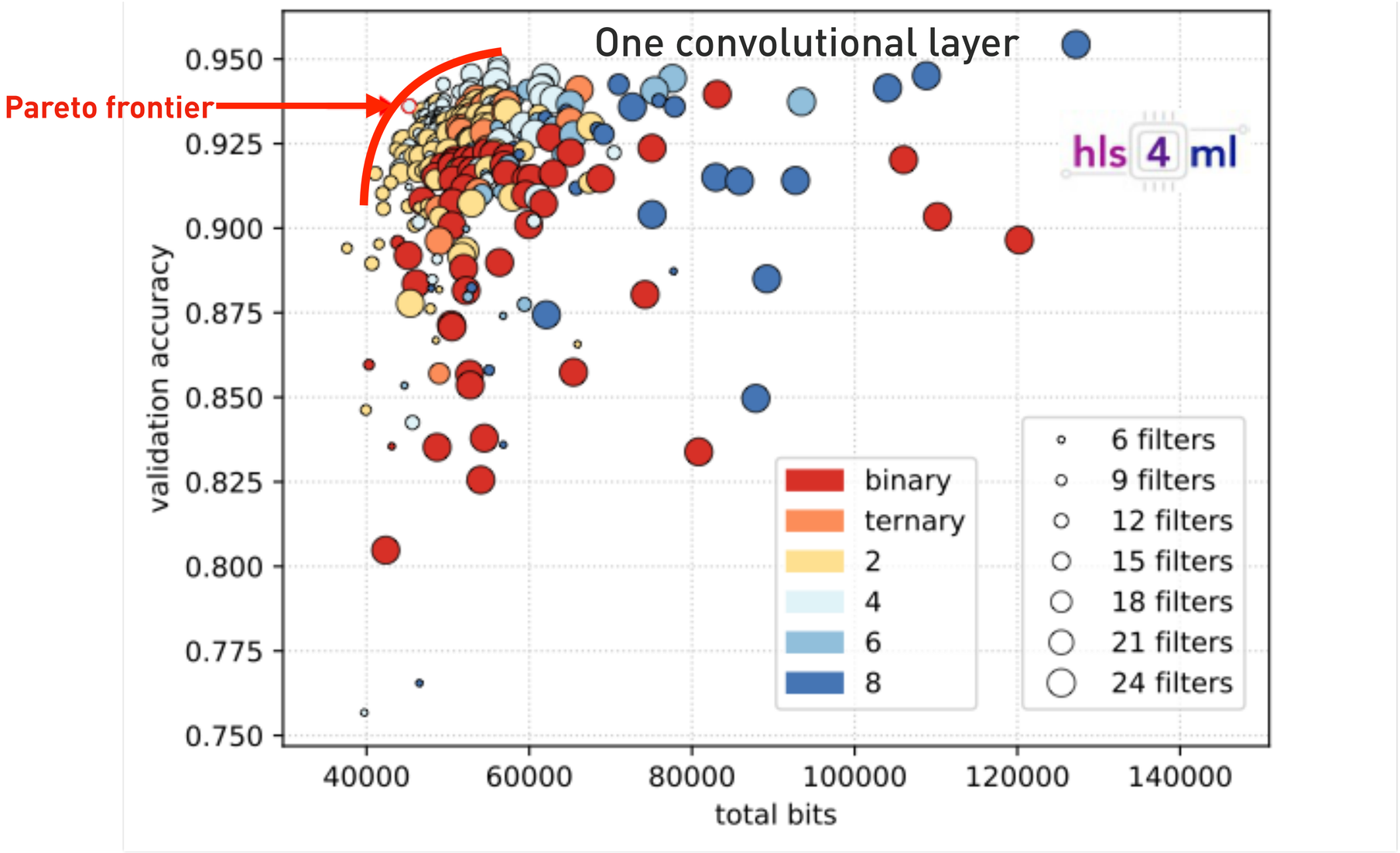
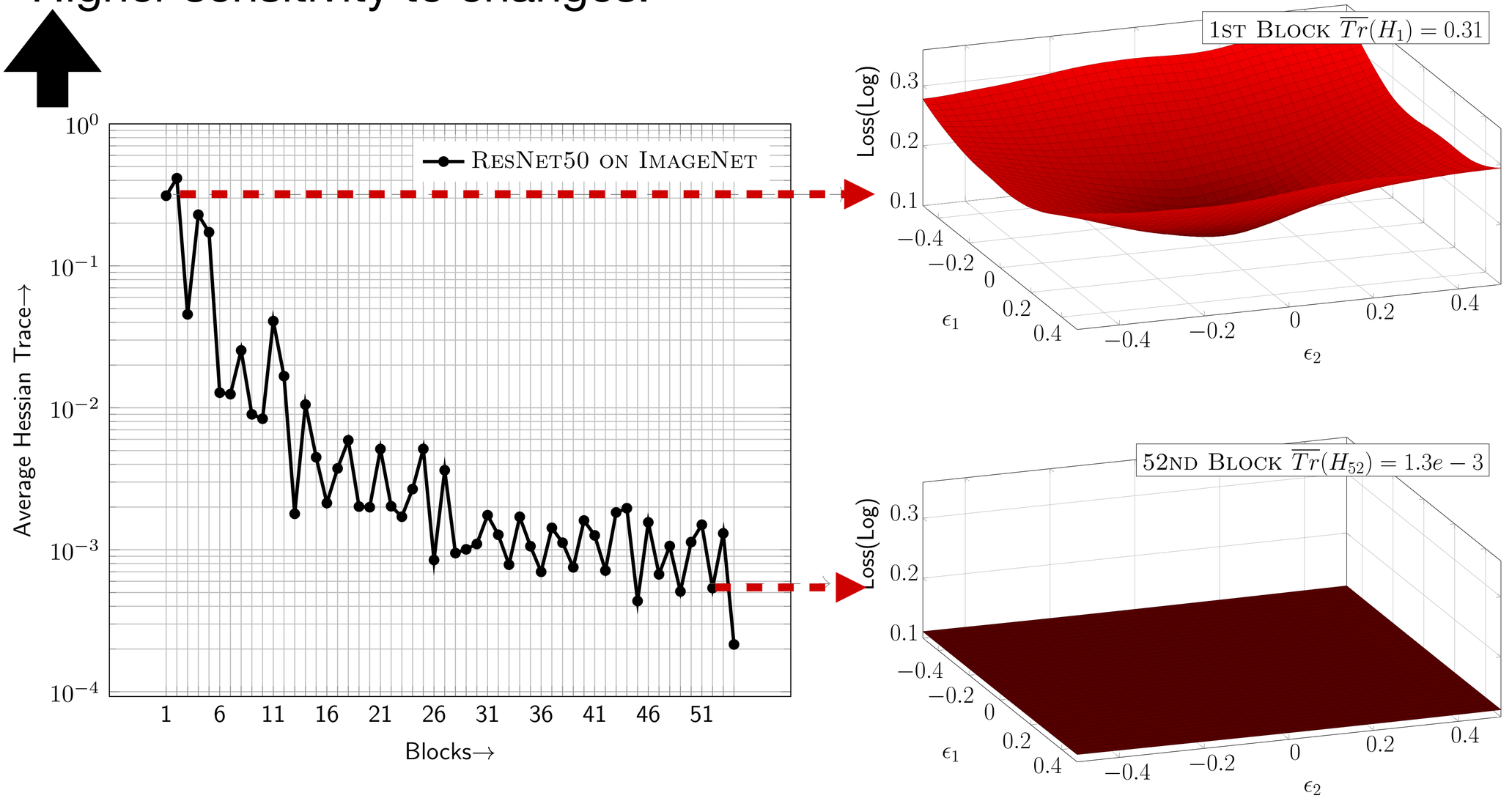


Higher sensitivity to changes!



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C.Sun et al. 2024

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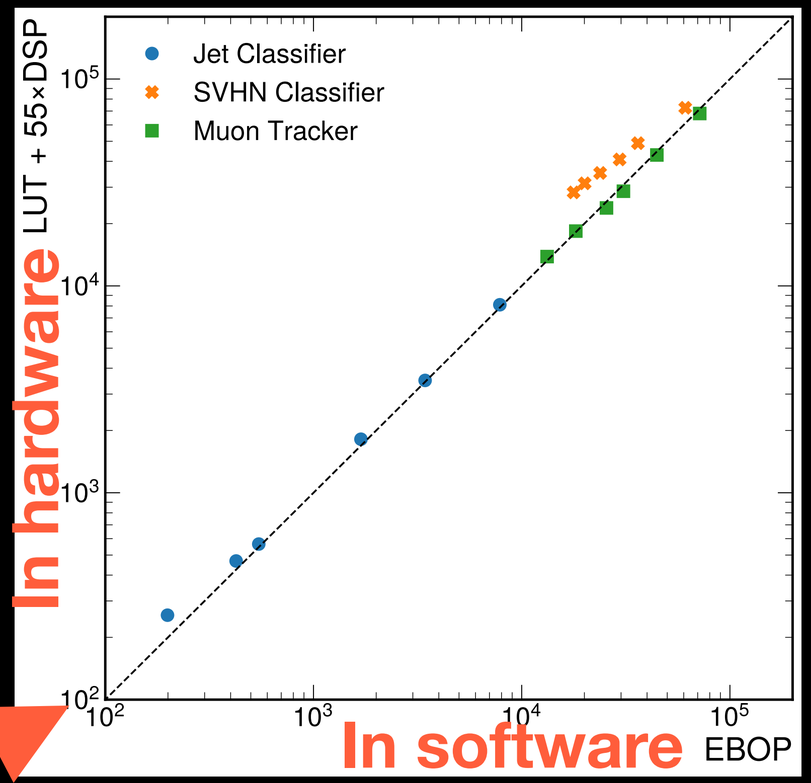

Proxy for resource cost

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{base}} + \beta \cdot \overline{\text{EBOPs}} + \gamma \cdot \text{L1}_{\text{norm}}$$

Making bitwidths differentiable! Fully heterogeneous quantization!

Exercise BONUS

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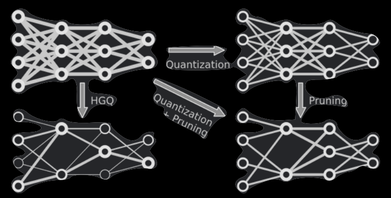
Frontend (QAT)

Backend (compiler)

Keras

PYTORCH Brevitas



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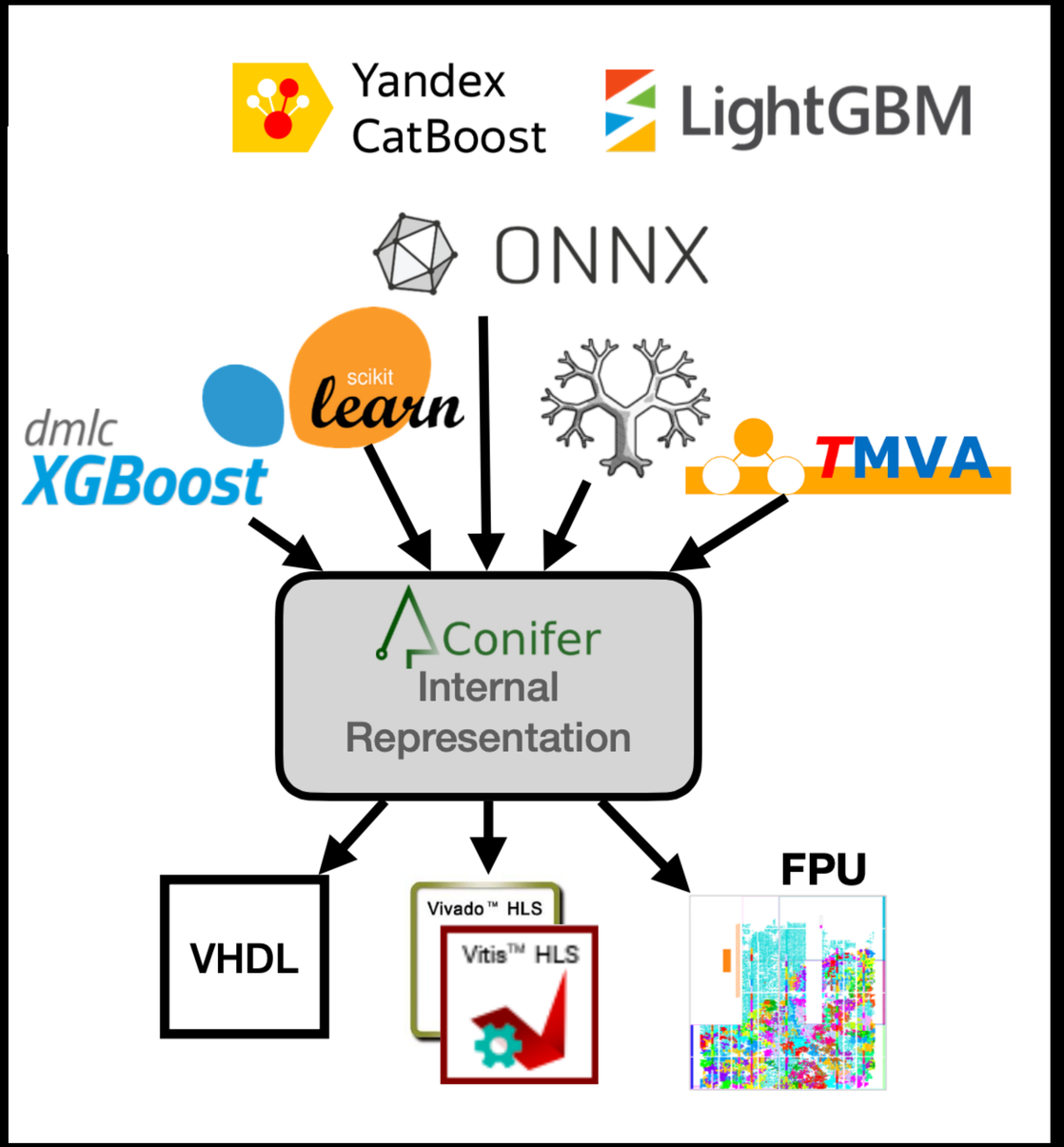
BDT	74.9%	5 ns	-	0.5%



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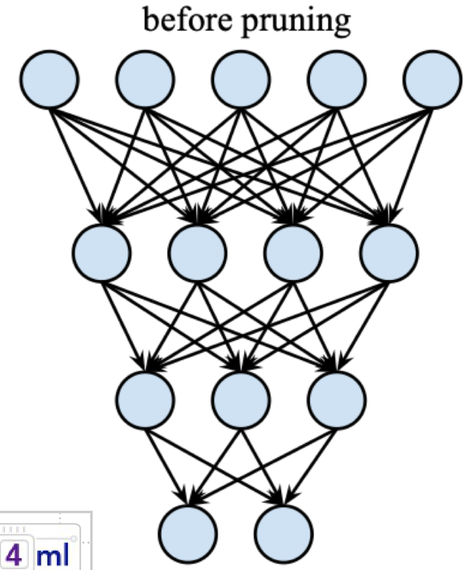

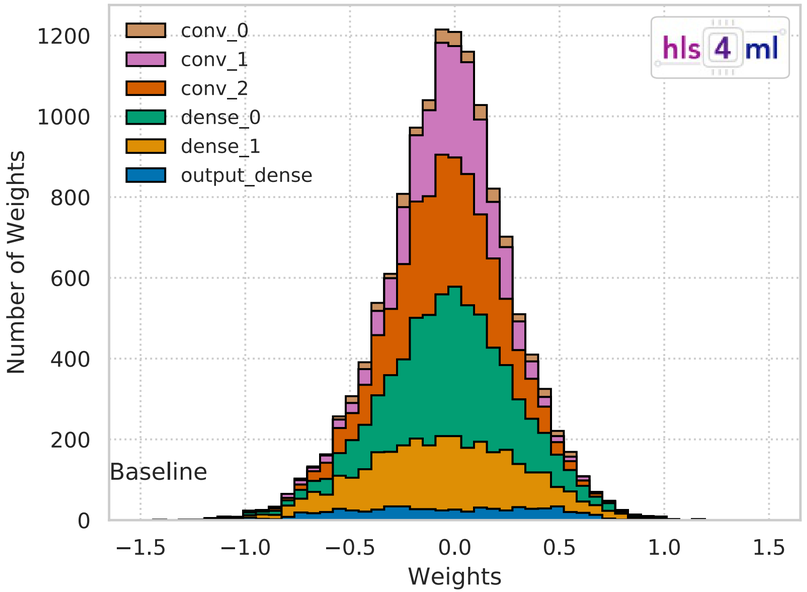

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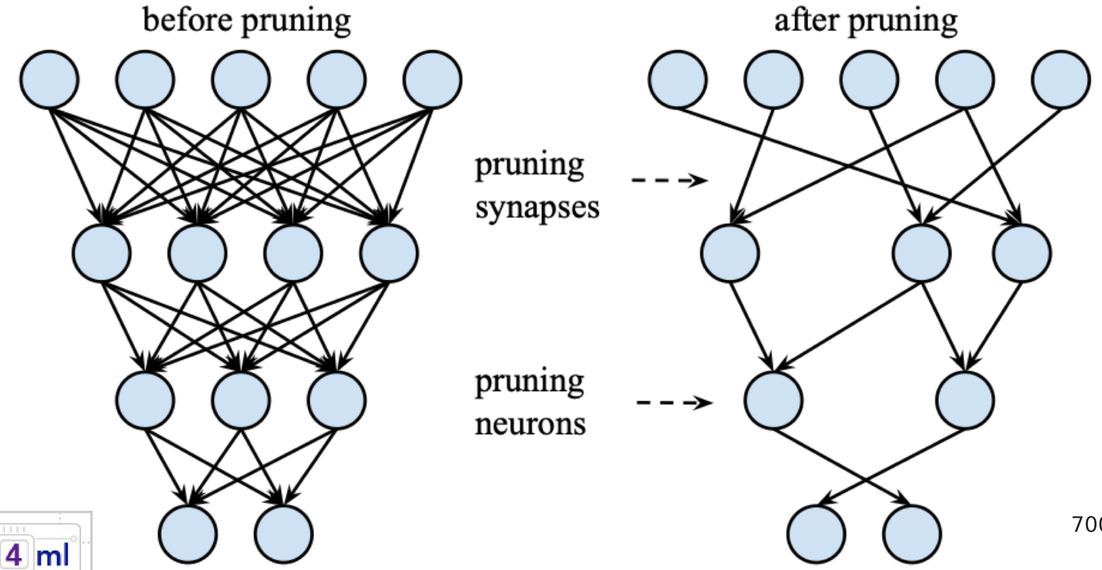

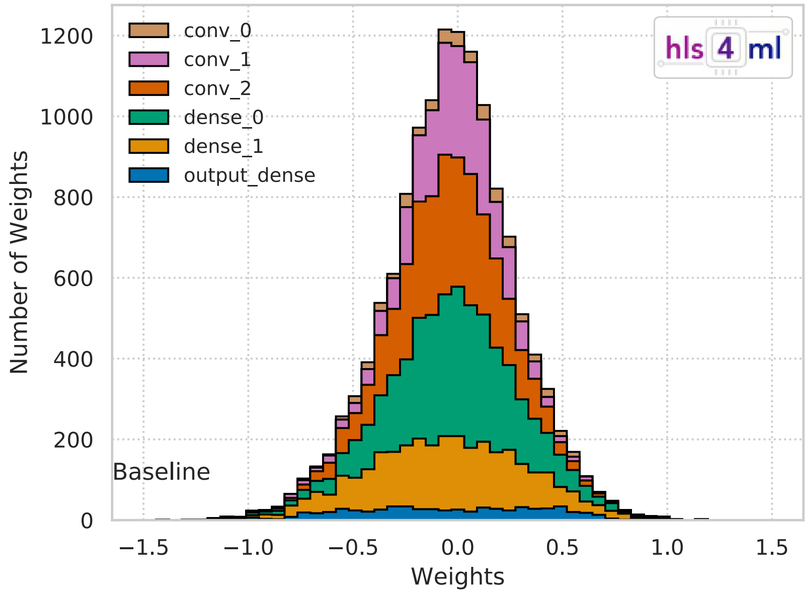

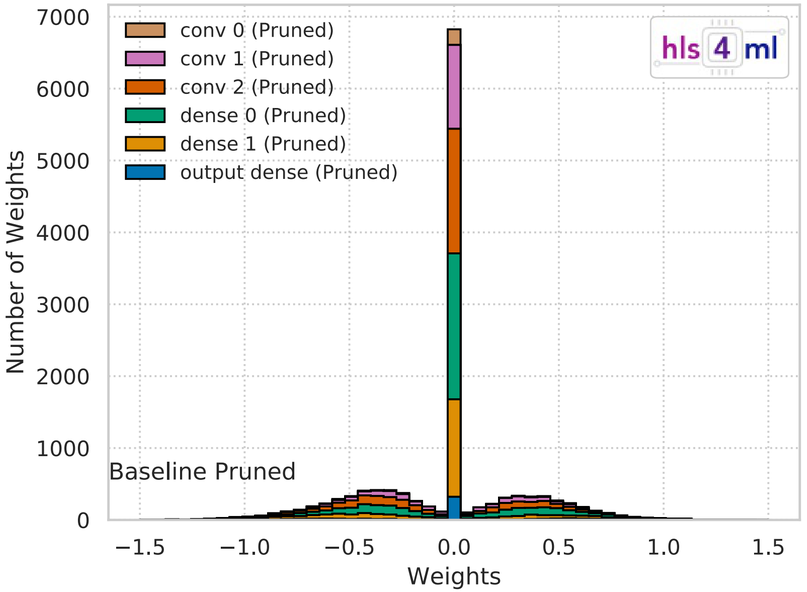

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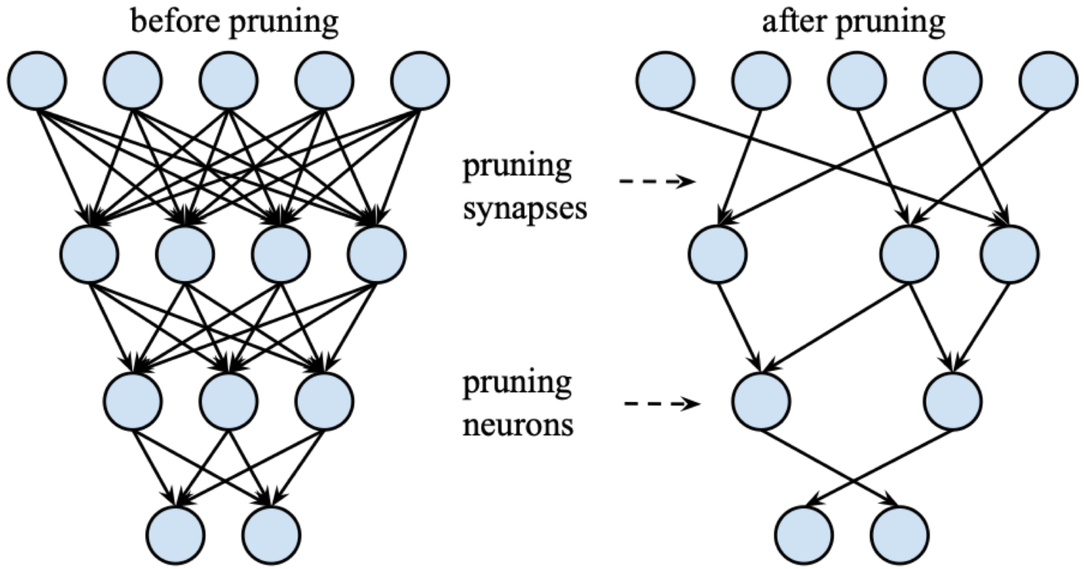

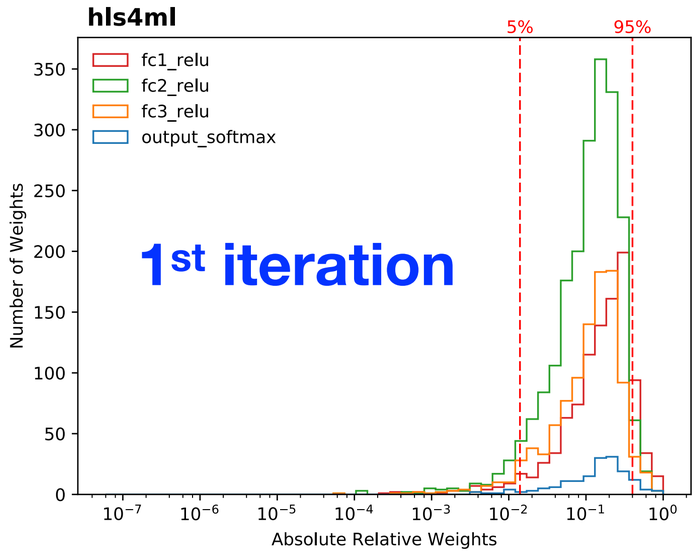

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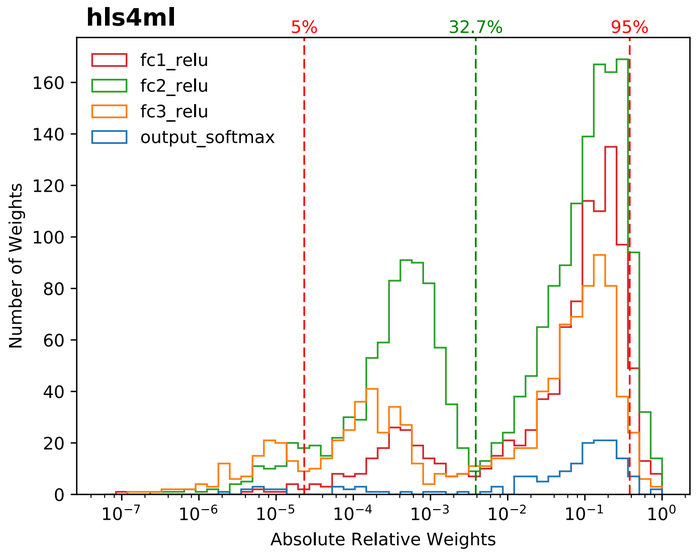

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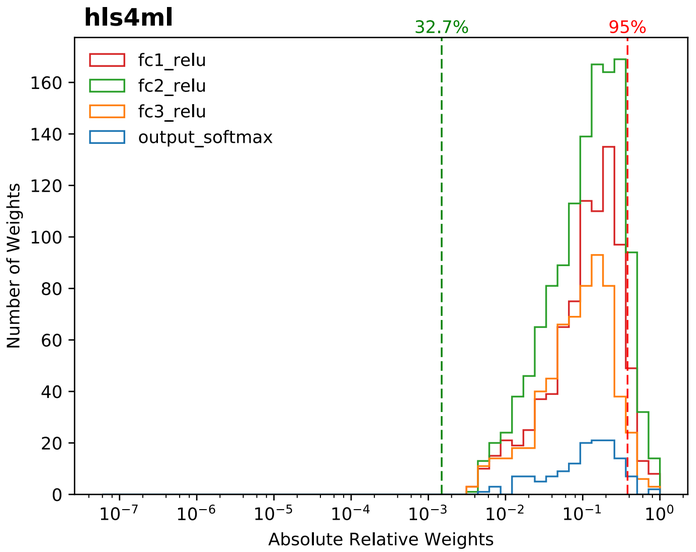

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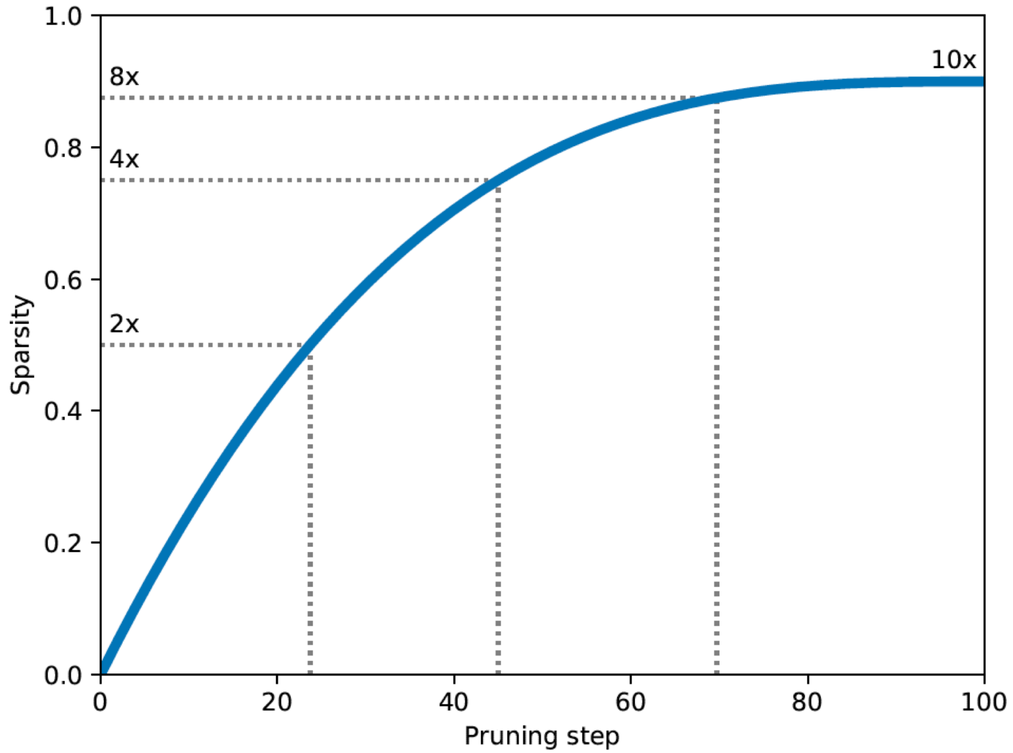

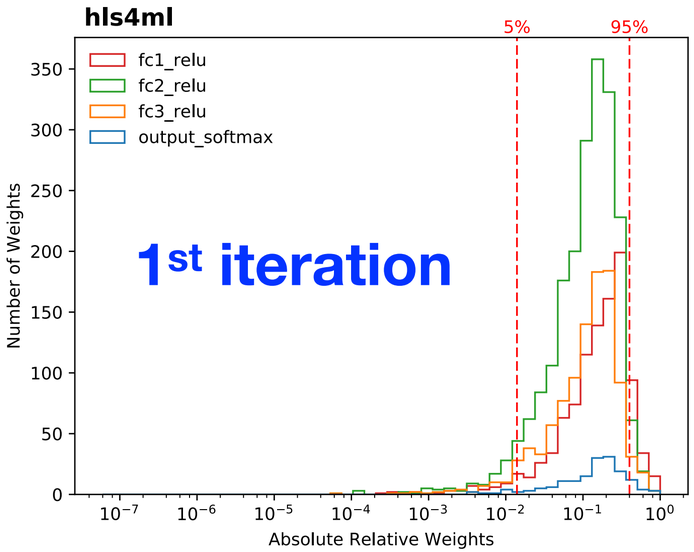

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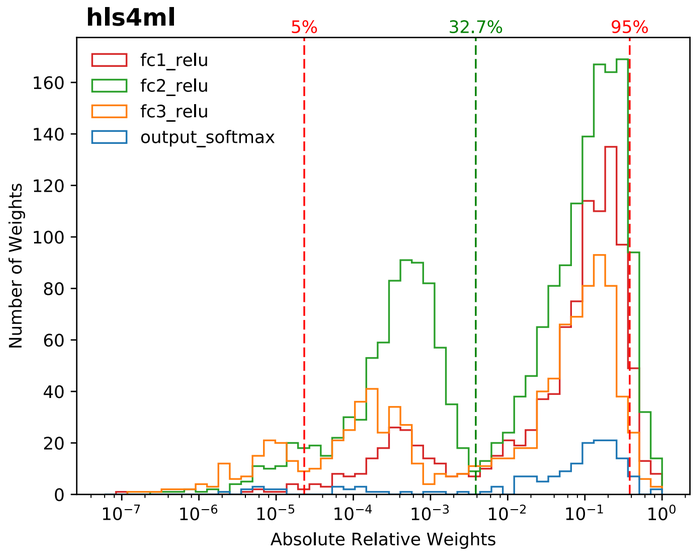

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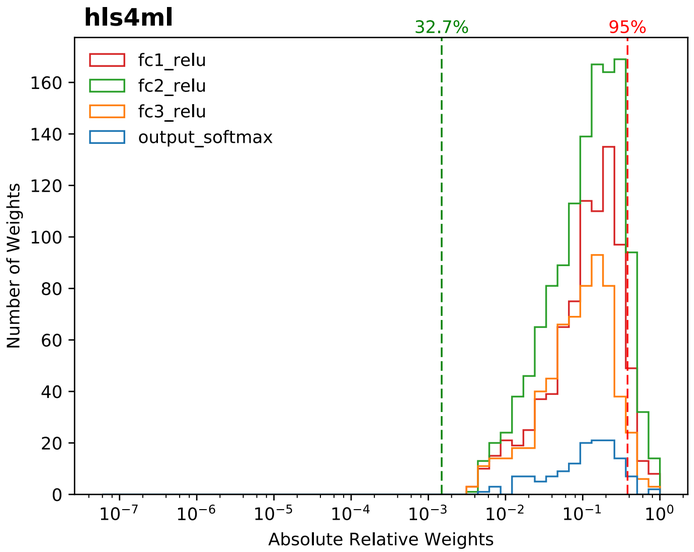
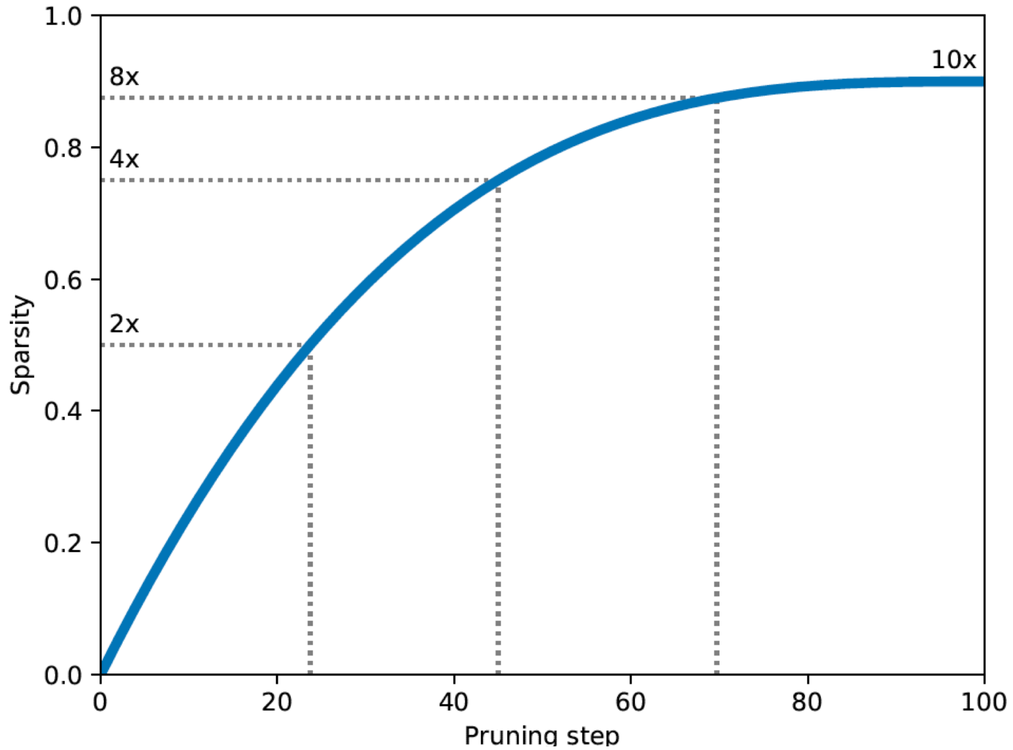


Exercise 3

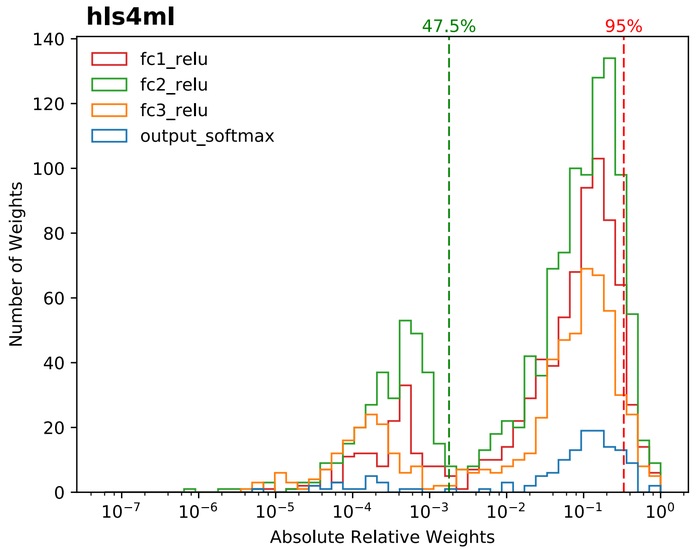
Pruning

https://blog.tensorflow.org/2019/05/tf-model-optimization-toolkit-pruning-API.html



2nd iteration

Retrain with L_1



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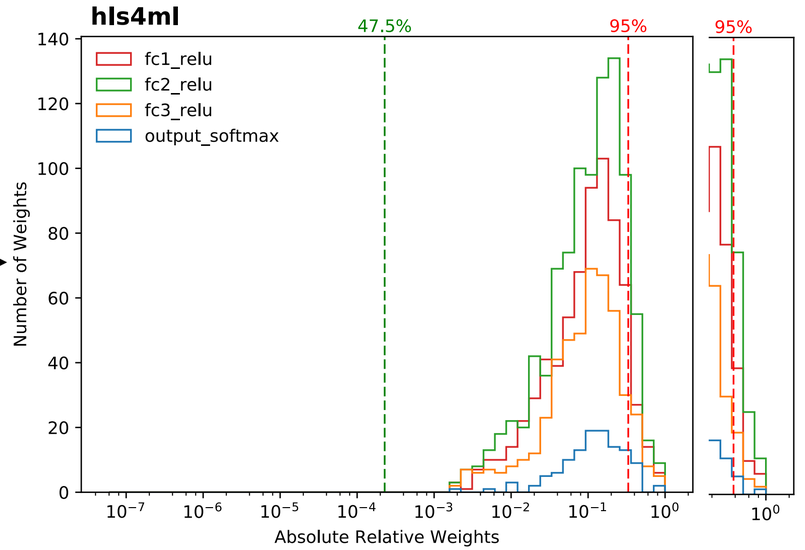
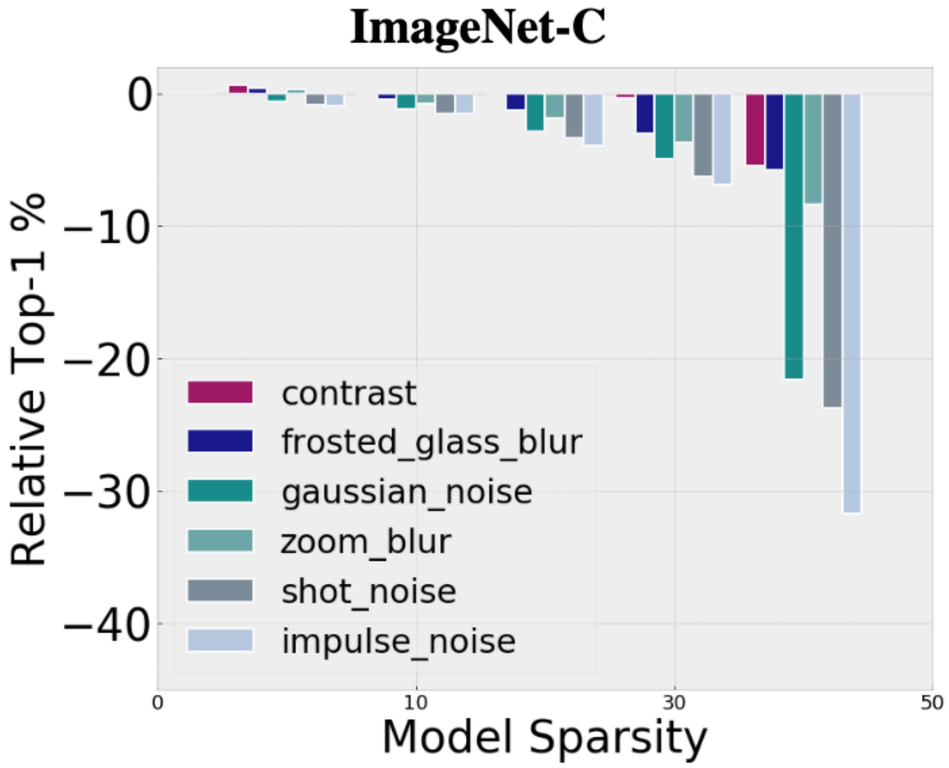
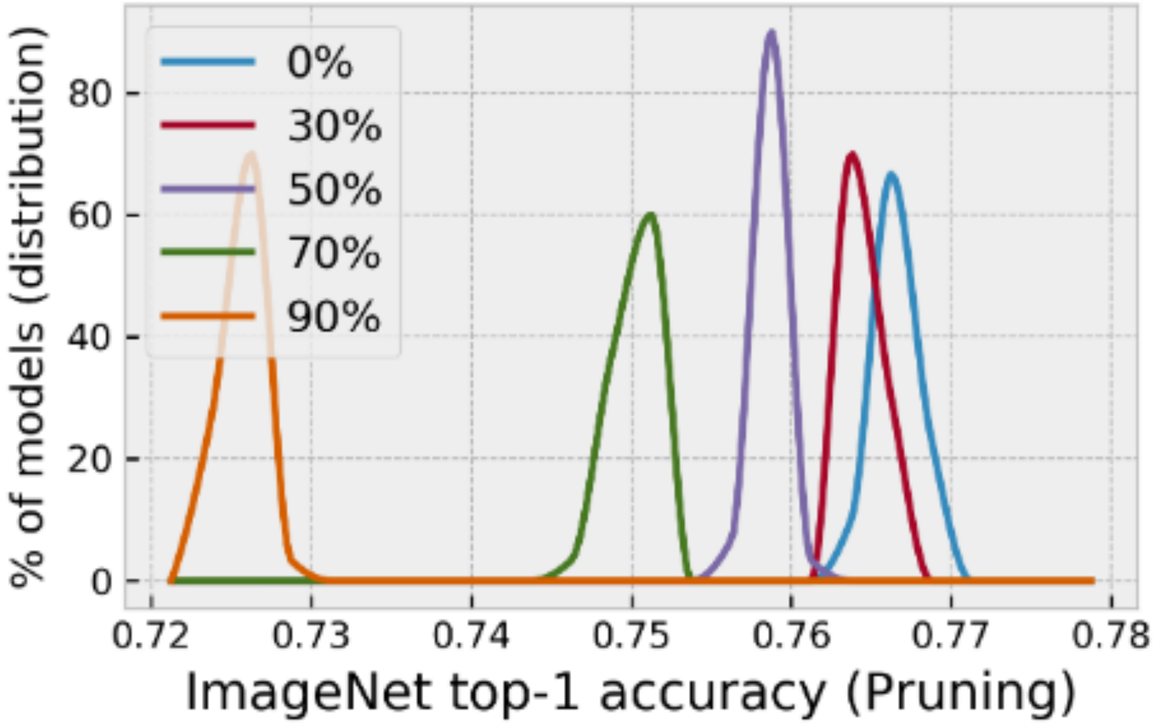


Hooker et al. (2021)

Pruning, robustness and accuracy

From Brian Bartoldson





Exercise BONUS

Pruning, robustness and accuracy

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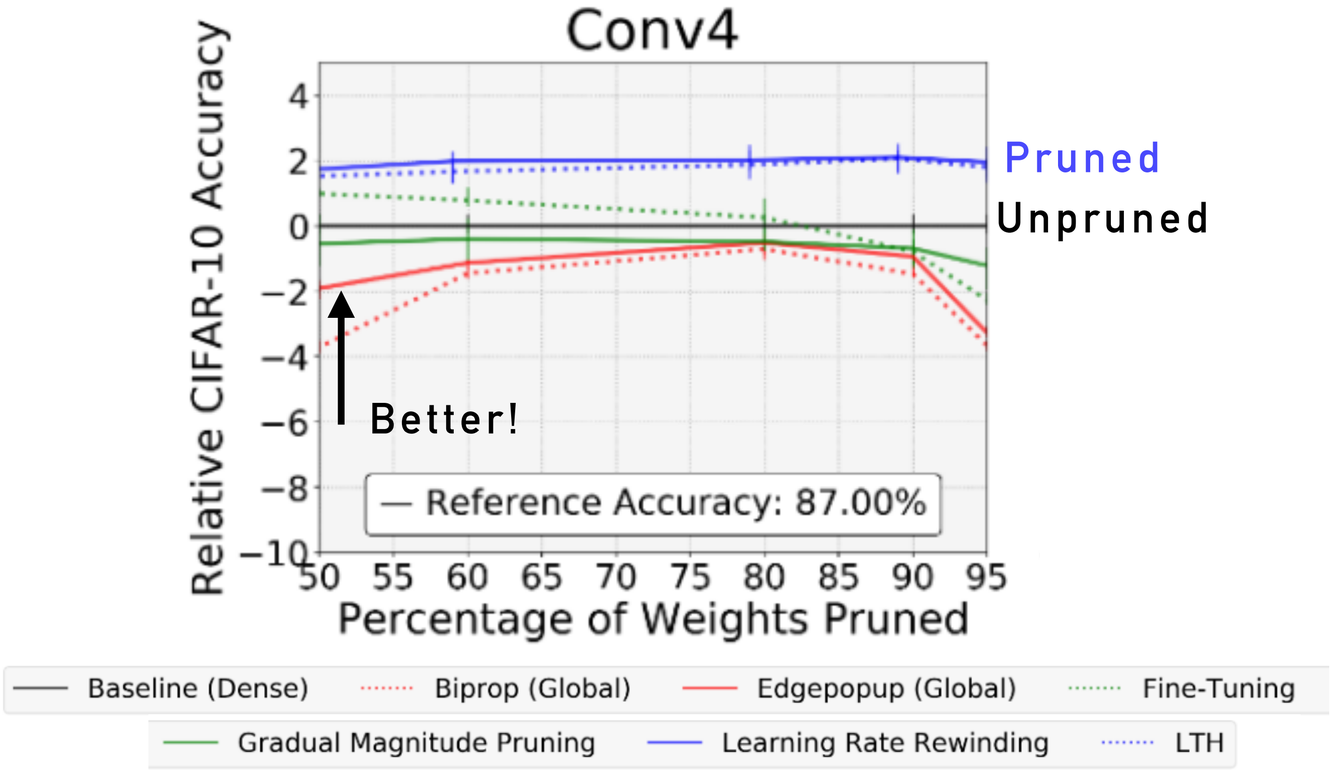
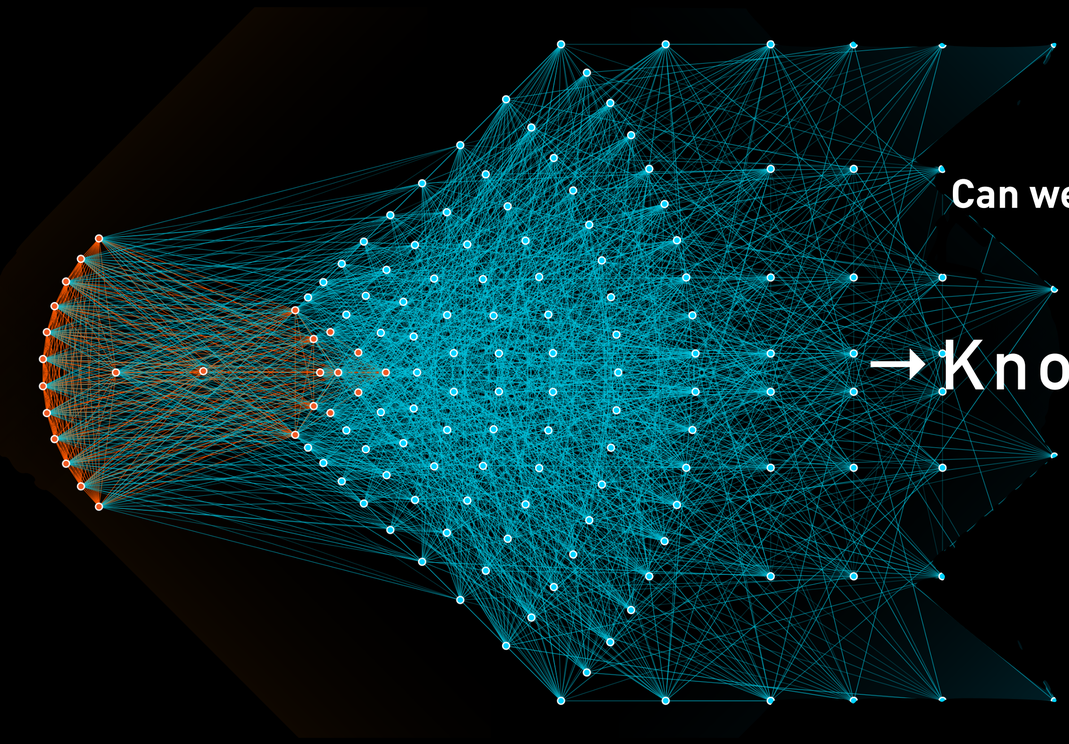


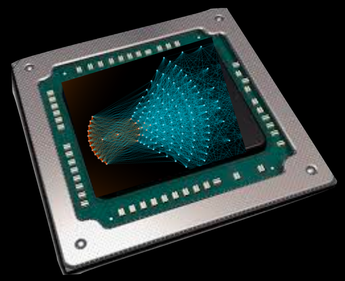
There exists a optimal network WITHIN each network (lottery ticket)
Uncover it through pruning!

Diffenderfer, Bartoldson, et al. (2021)



Can we have the best of both worlds?

→Knowledge Distillation

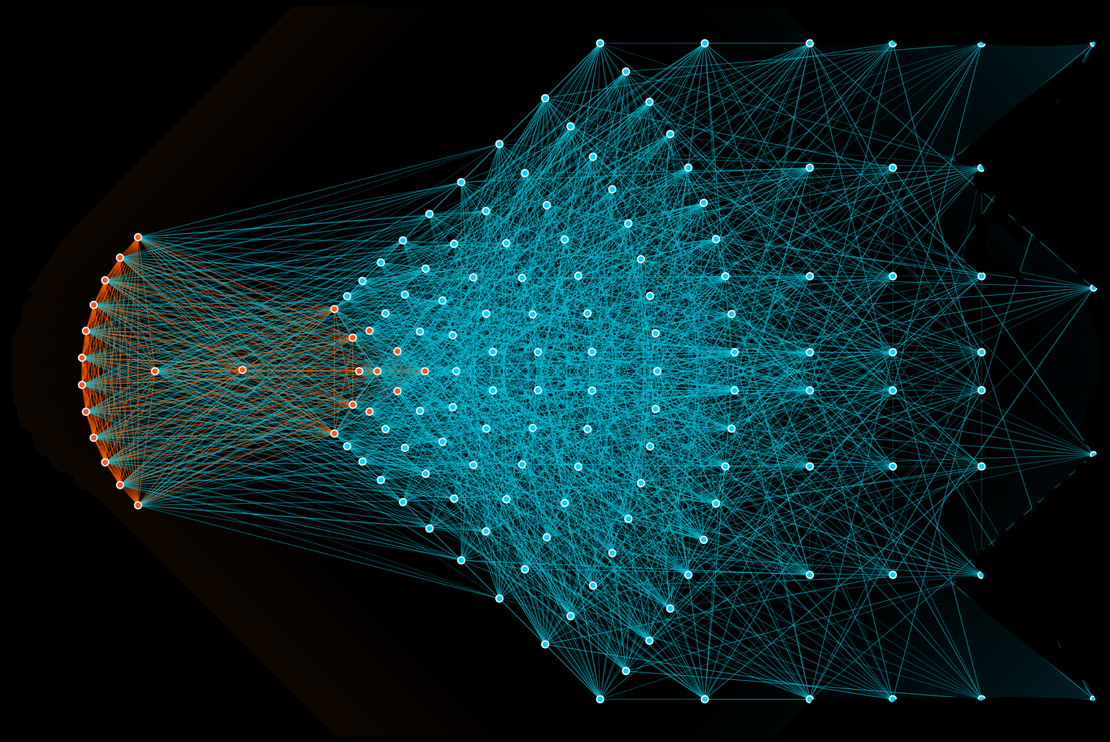


Train

Inference

Cat

Dog



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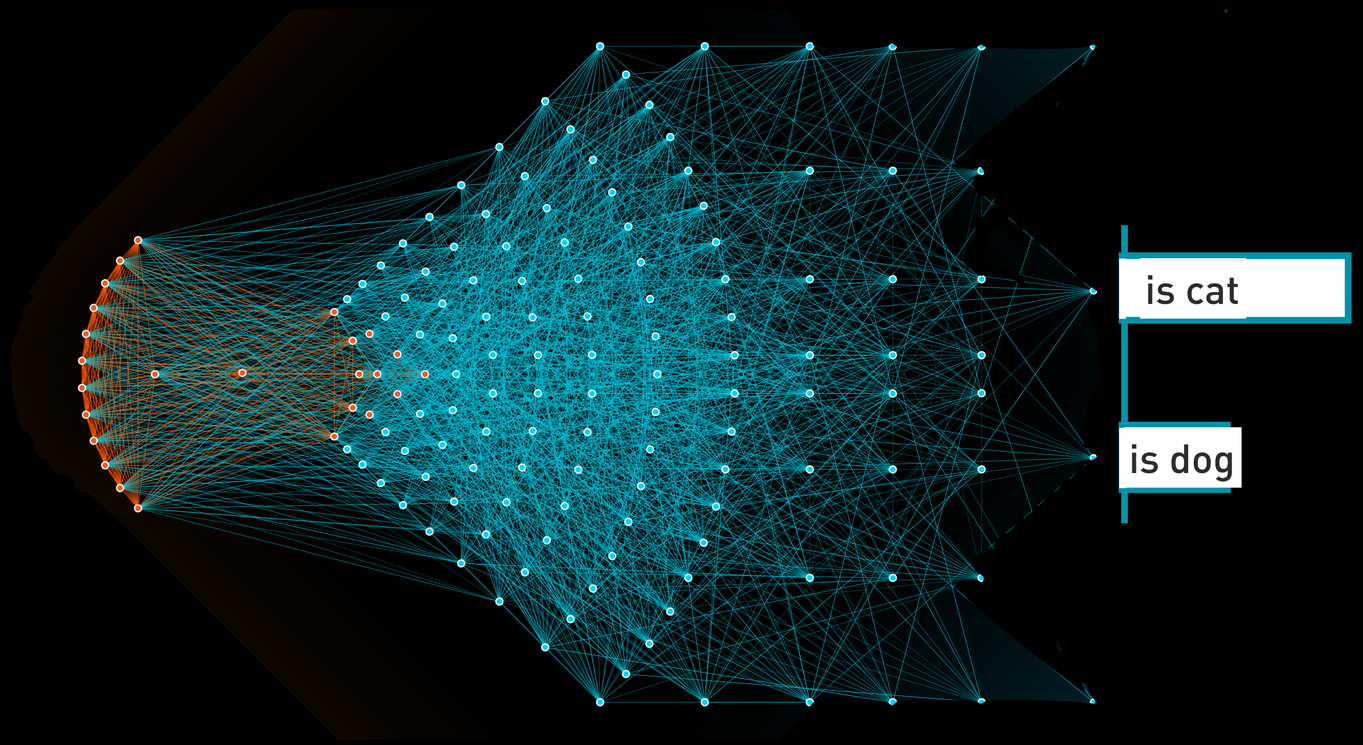

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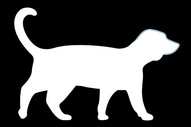
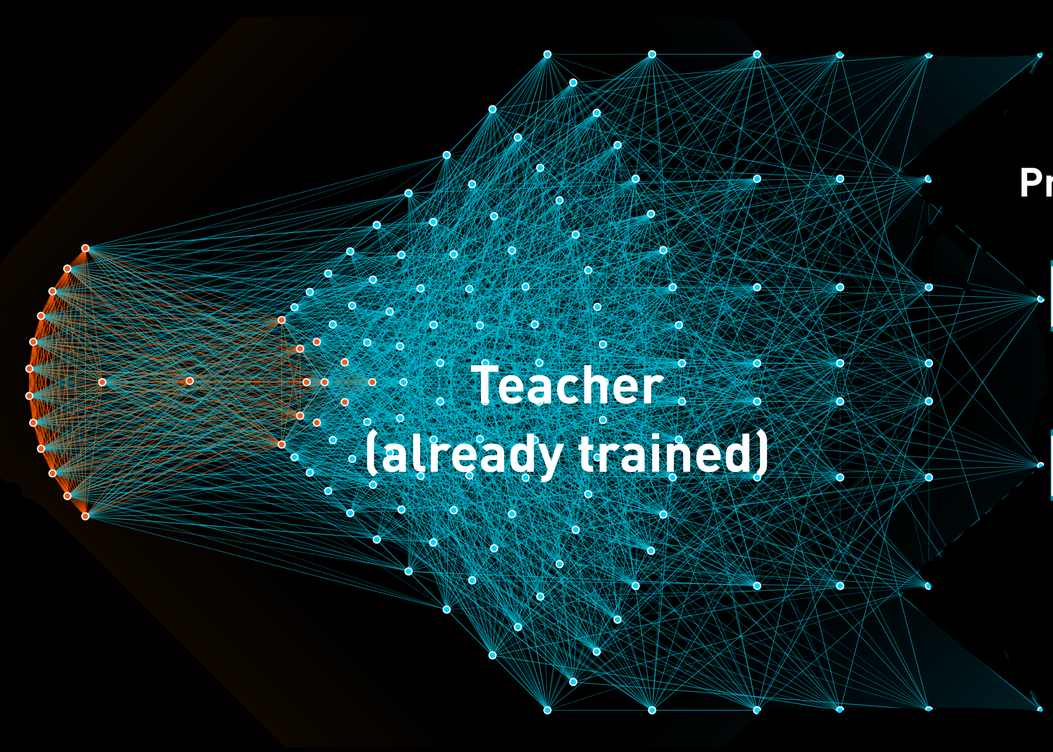


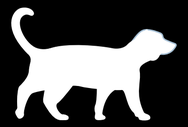


Predicted labels

is cat = 0.89

is dog = 0.11

Cat



Teacher
(already trained)

Predicted labels

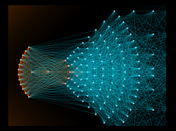
is cat = 0.89

is dog = 0.11

True labels

is cat = 1

is dog = 0

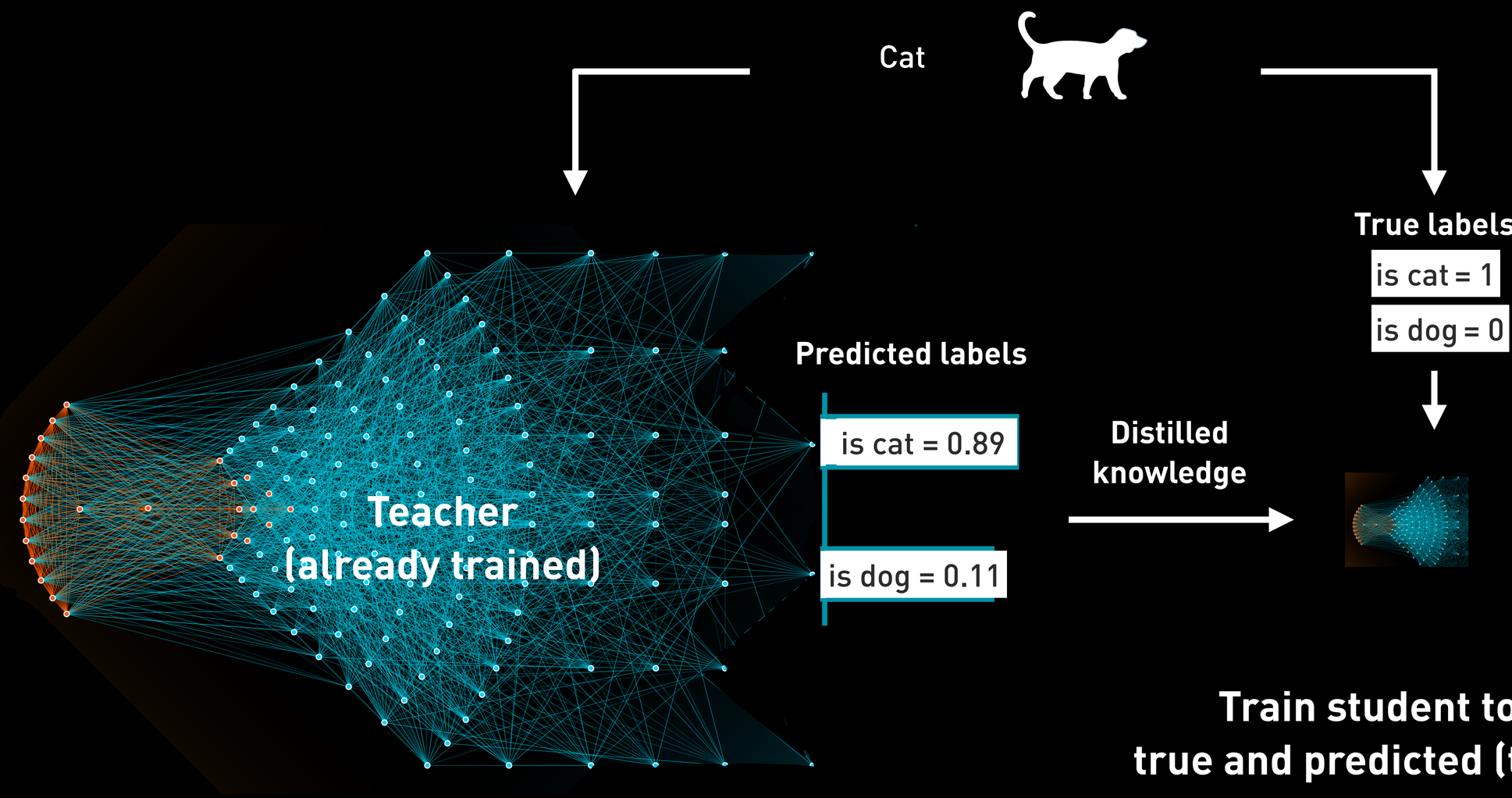


Predicted labels	True labels
is cat = 0.46	is cat = 0
is dog = 0.54	is dog = 1

Soft labels contain information!!

Predicted labels	True labels
is cat = 0.03	is cat = 0
is dog = 0.97	is dog = 1

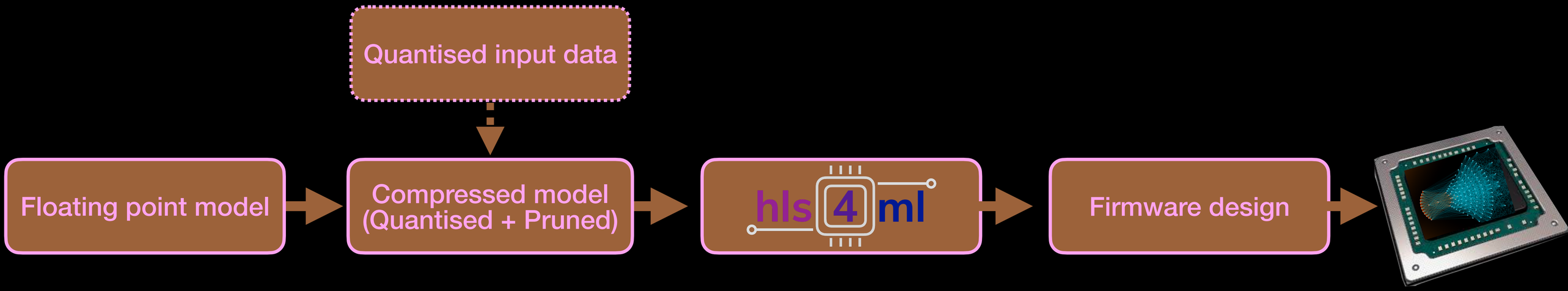
Exercise BONUS



Train student to learn both true and predicted (teacher) labels!

$$L_{total} = \beta \times L_{Distillation} + \alpha \times L_{student}$$

Student learns subtle learned features from teacher!



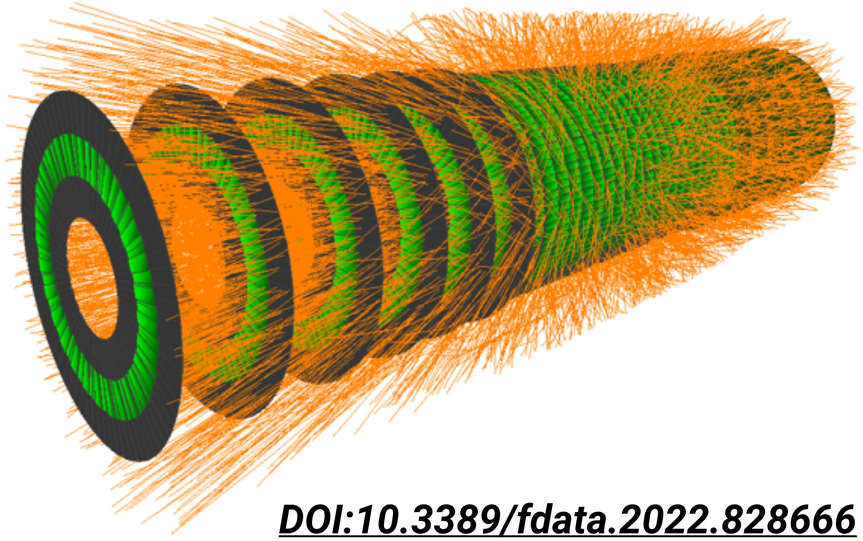
hls4ml tutorial

hls4ml Conifer

Well-established: MLPs, CNNs (classification, semantic segmentation), DeepSets, GNNs, RNNs, symbolic regression, (variational) autoencoders, BDTs, IsolationTrees

Experimental: Transformers, large distributed CNNs (ResNet, VGG)

300ns GNN for tracking



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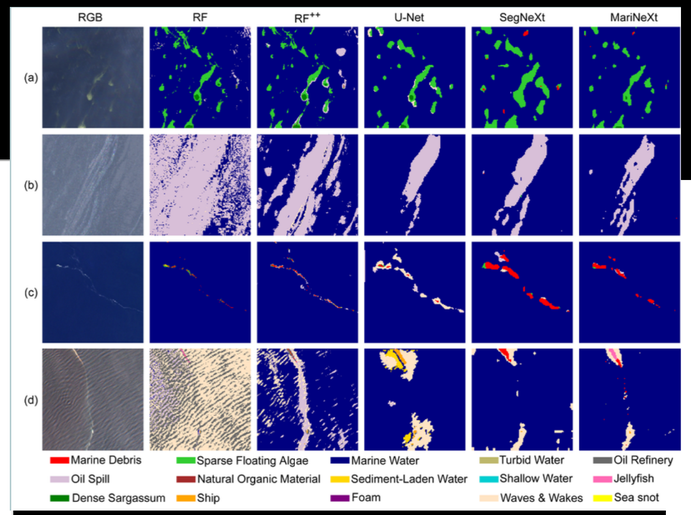

UNet for semantic segmentation on satellites

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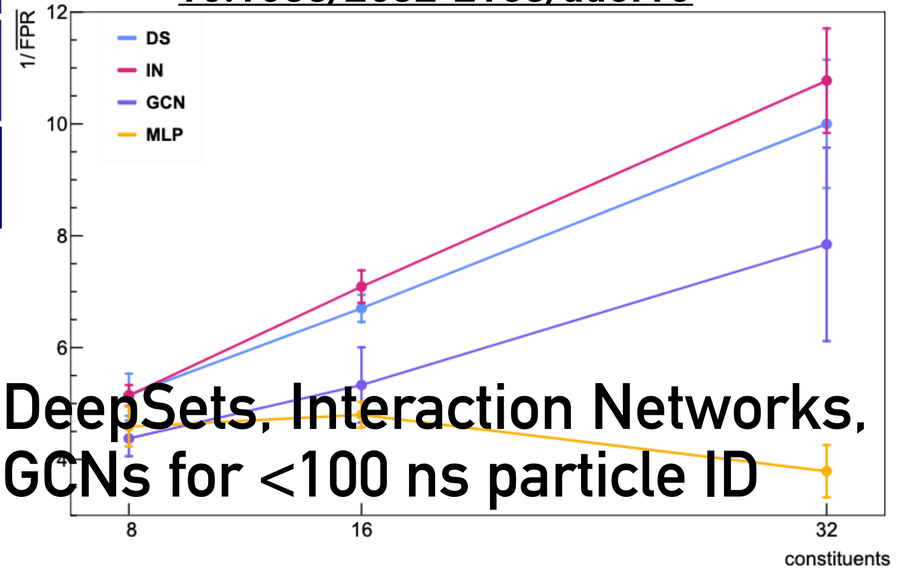

DeepSets, Interaction Networks, GCNs for <100 ns particle ID

Very high quality data can help smaller models compete

Date	Model	Model size	Dataset size (Tokens)	HumanEval (Pass@1)	MBPP (Pass@1)
2021 Jul	Codex-300M [CTJ+21]	300M	100B	13.2%	-
2021 Jul	Codex-12B [CTJ+21]	12B	100B	28.8%	-
2022 Mar	CodeGen-Mono-350M [NPH+23]	350M	577B	12.8%	-
2022 Mar	CodeGen-Mono-16.1B [NPH+23]	16.1B	577B	29.3%	35.3%
2022 Apr	PaLM-Coder [CND+22]	540B	780B	35.9%	47.0%
2022 Sep	CodeGeeX [ZXZ+23]	13B	850B	22.9%	24.4%
2022 Nov	GPT-3.5 [Ope23]	175B	N.A.	47%	-
2022 Dec	SantaCoder [ALK+23]	1.1B	236B	14.0%	35.0%
2023 Mar	GPT-4 [Ope23]	N.A.	N.A.	67%	-
2023 Apr	Replit [Rep23]	2.7B	525B	21.9%	-
2023 Apr	Replit-Finetuned [Rep23]	2.7B	525B	30.5%	-
2023 May	CodeGen2-1B [NHX+23]	1B	N.A.	10.3%	-
2023 May	CodeGen2-7B [NHX+23]	7B	N.A.	19.1%	-
2023 May	StarCoder [LAZ+23]	15.5B	1T	33.6%	52.7%
2023 May	StarCoder-Prompted [LAZ+23]	15.5B	1T	40.8%	49.5%
2023 May	PaLM 2-S [ADF+23]	N.A.	N.A.	37.6%	50.0%
2023 May	CodeT5+ [WLG+23]	2B	52B	24.2%	-
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2023 May	InstructCodeT5+ [WLG+23]	16B	52B	35.0%	-
2023 Jun	WizardCoder [LXZ+23]	16B	1T	57.3%	51.8%
2023 Jun	**phi-1**	1.3B	7B	50.6%	55.5%

Competitive despite being 10x smaller in model size and 100x smaller in dataset size!

Gunasekar et al. (2023)

Reading exercise

1.1 Computing's Energy Problem (and what we can do about it)

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1. Introduction

Technology scaling has decreased the cost of computing to the point where it can be included in almost anything. As a result, we now live in a world surrounded by computing devices. They power our searches on Google, connect to our friends on Facebook, answer our questions to Siri, and serve us our entertainment on Youtube; they are in our homes everywhere, in all our appliances (I recently had to reboot my refrigerator), cars, workplaces, and even in the cards we send to each other. We have become so accustomed to computing becoming faster, cheaper, and lower power, we simply assume it will continue. Already, smartphone capabilities are being embedded in eye glasses [1] and smart watches [2].

While scaling computing performance has never been easy, a number of factors have made scaling increasingly difficult this past decade, and have caused power to become the principal constraint on performance. Section 2 quickly reviews how computing became power limited, even before Dennard constant-field scaling [3] broke down, and explains the difficulties of using a technology change to fix our problems. The rest of the paper explores different approaches to addressing this computing-energy-consumption challenge, and shows that it will take more than parallelism to get the results we need. The new key to scaling computing performance is to create applications and hardware which are better matched to the task and each other. Accomplishing this will require tools that allow application experts to create these new efficient systems. While creating these tools is challenging, they will enable a renaissance in application-optimized computing!

8. Conclusion

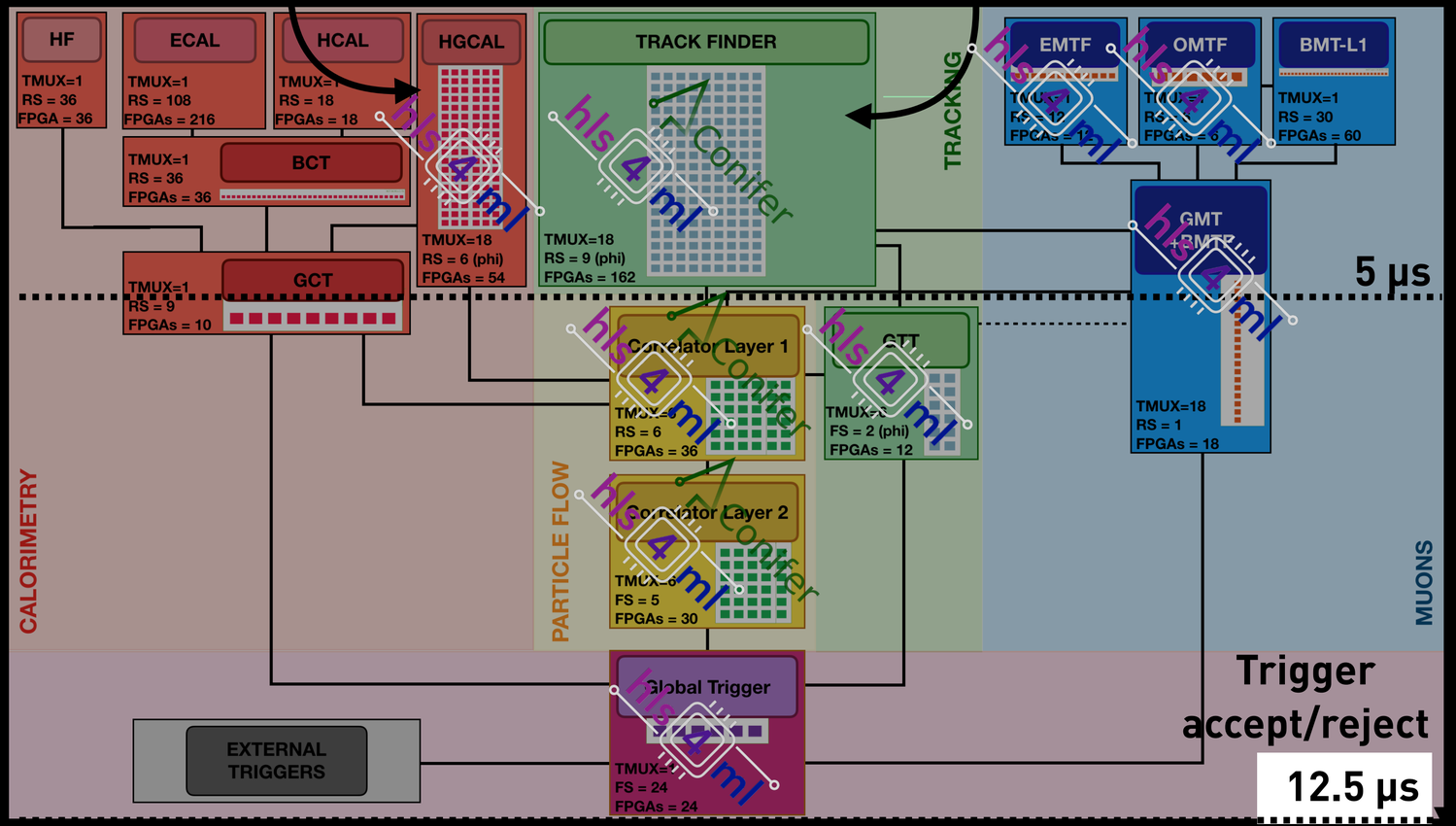
In summary, our challenge is clear: The drive for performance and the end of voltage scaling have made power, and not the number of transistors, the principal factor limiting further improvements in computing performance. Continuing to scale compute performance will require the creation and effective use of new specialized compute engines, and will require the participation of application experts to be successful. If we play our cards right, and develop the tools that allow our customers to become part of the design process, we will create a new wave of innovative and efficient computing devices.

https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/6757323

Nanosecond ML inference on FPGAs!

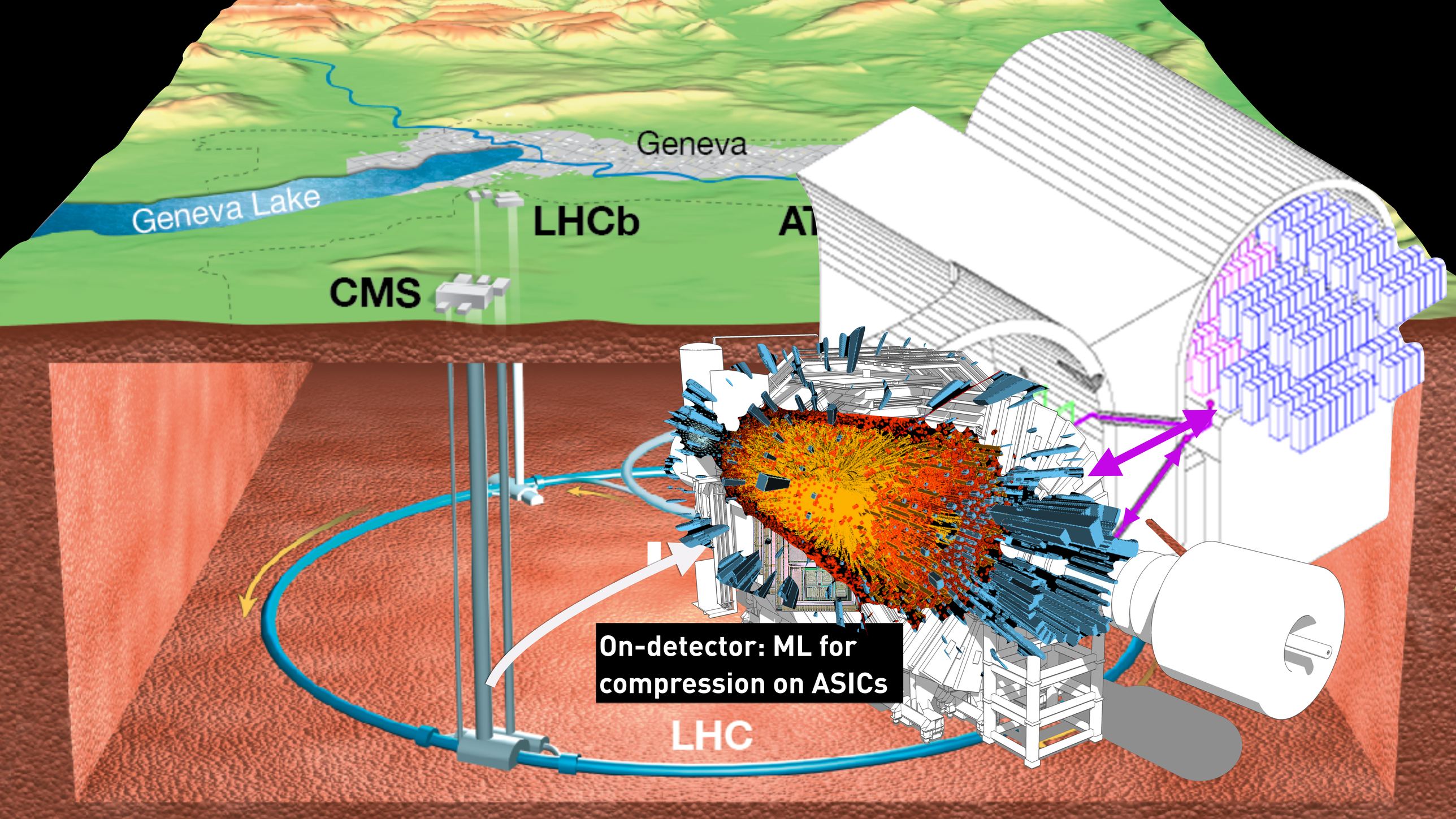
40 billion inferences/s during HL-LHC

(≈ all inferences at Google)



Conifer hls4ml

HEP developed libraries for fast ML on FPGAs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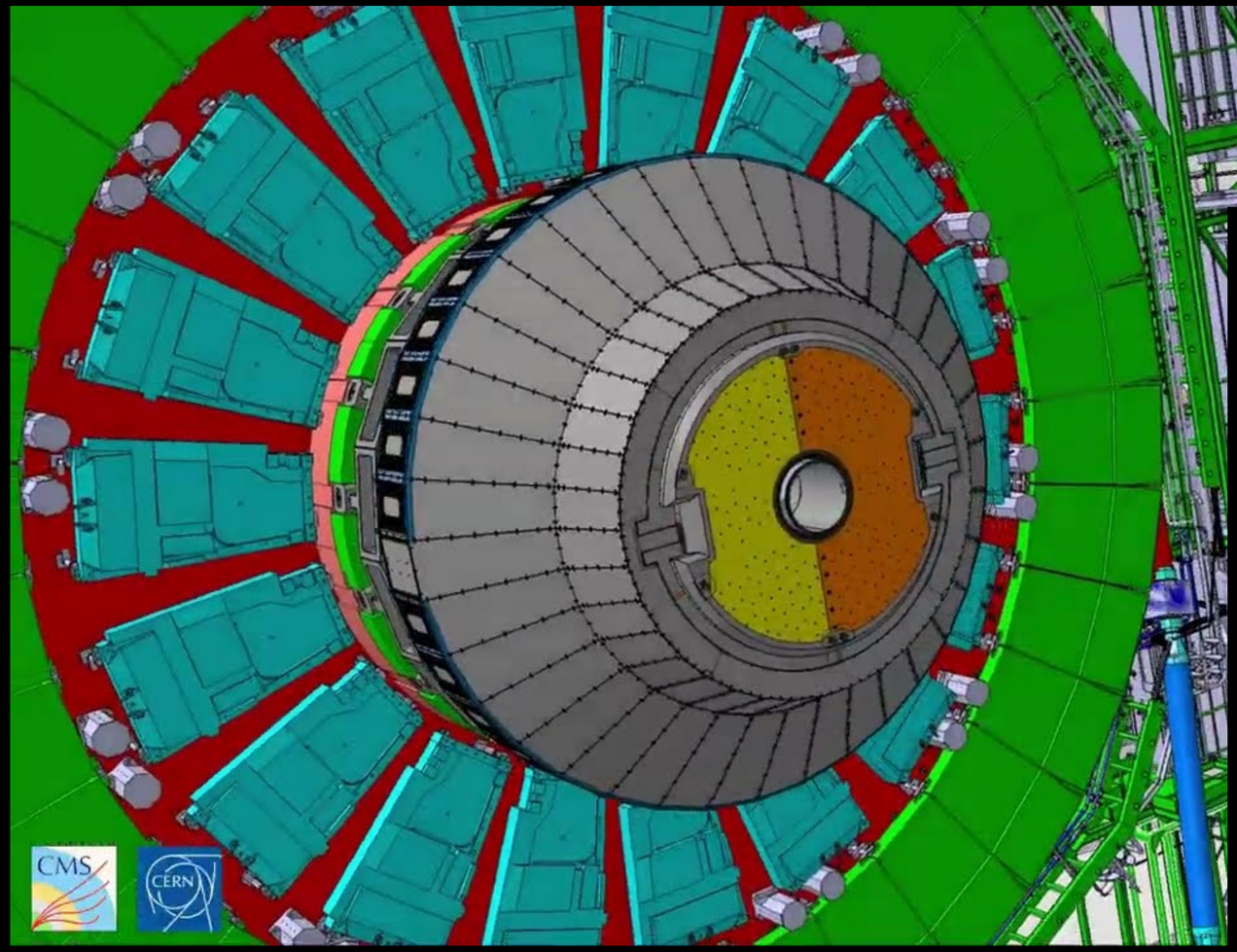
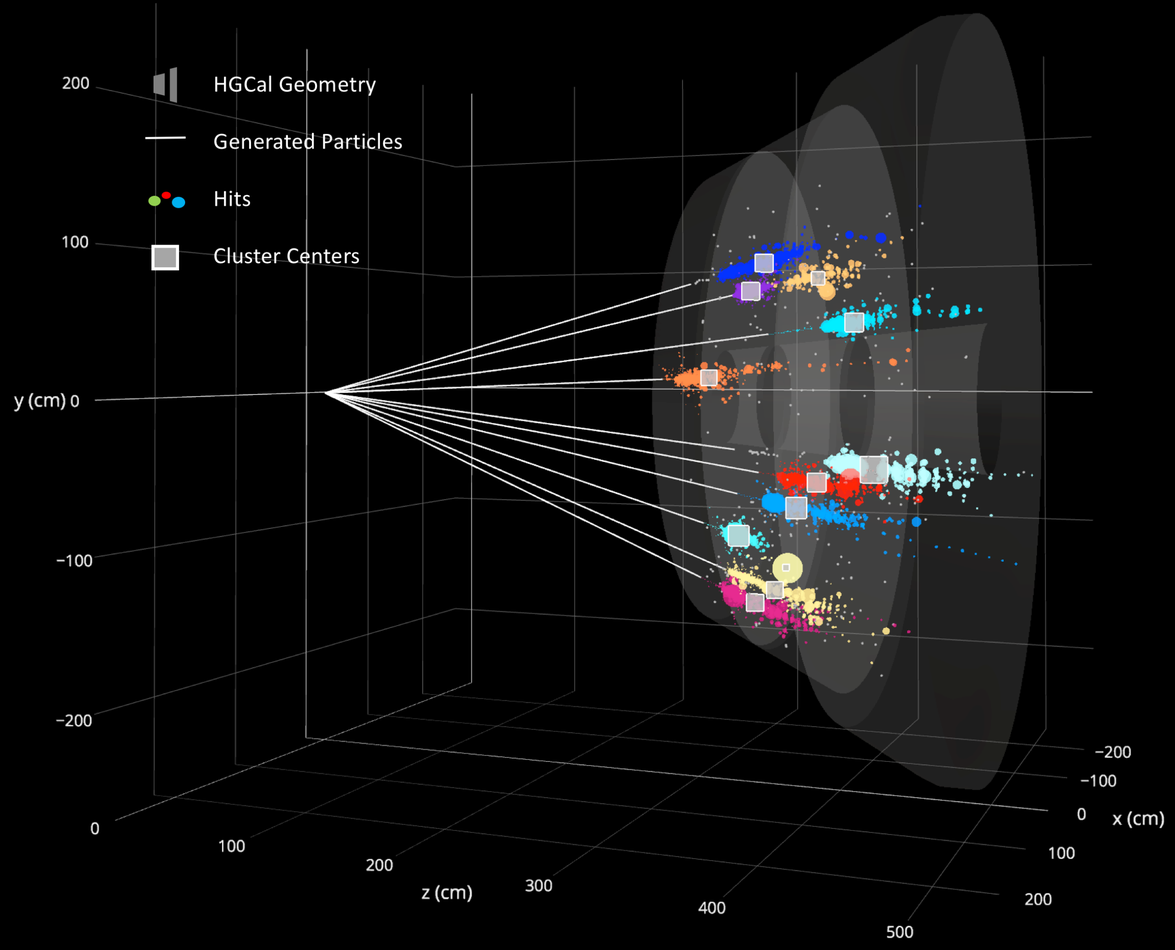
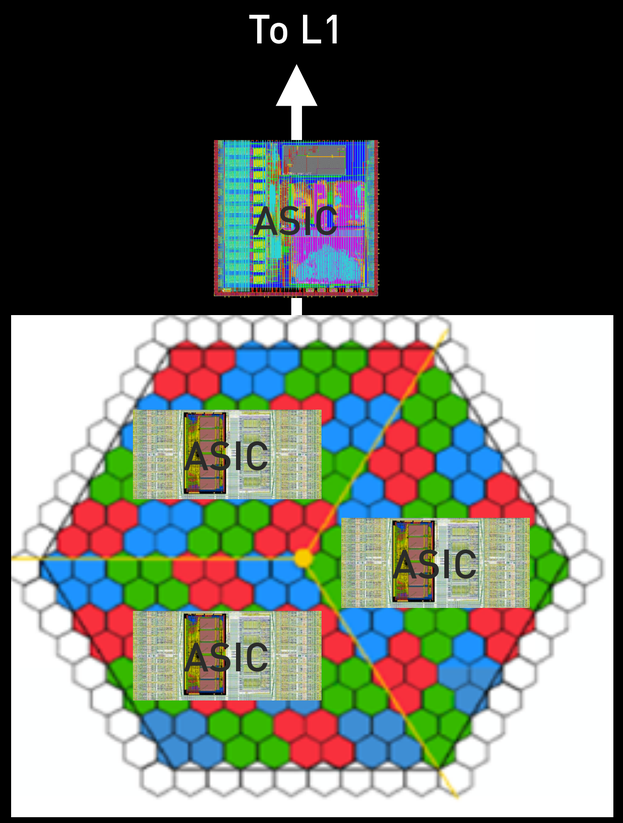
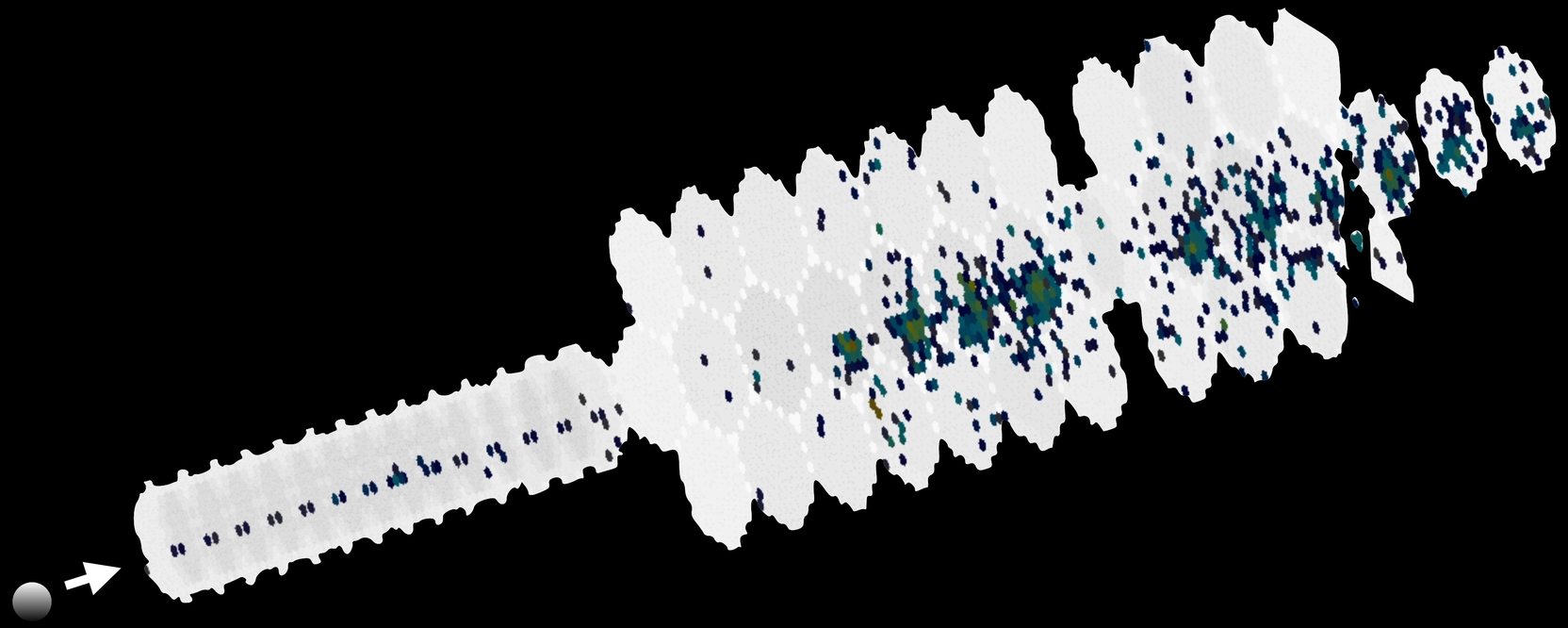




CMS High Granularity calorimeter

- 6.5 million readout channels, 50 layers





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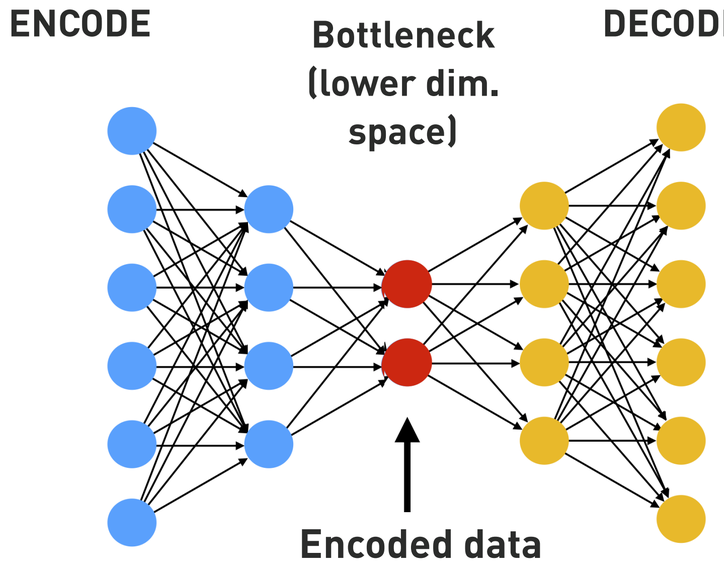
- High radiation
- Cooled to -30 → low power
- 1.5 μs latency



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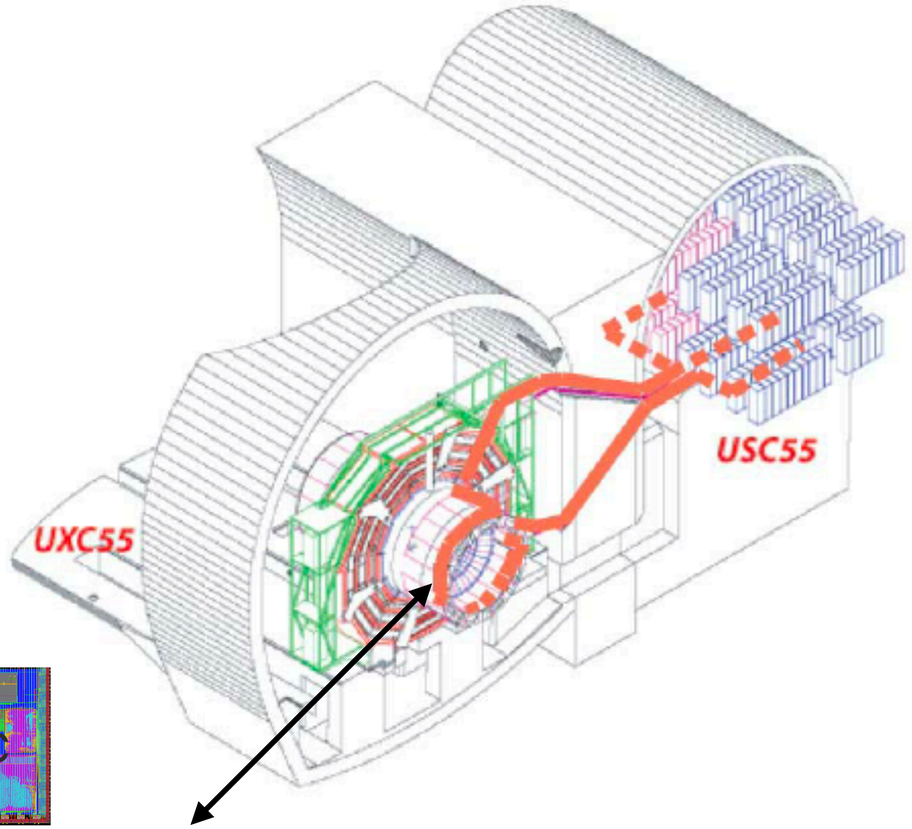

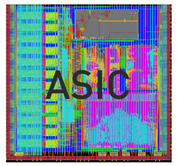

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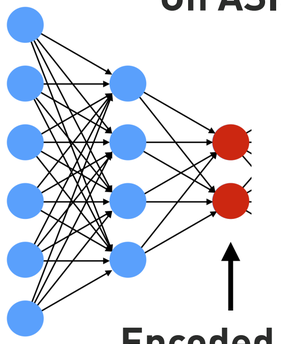

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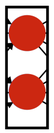

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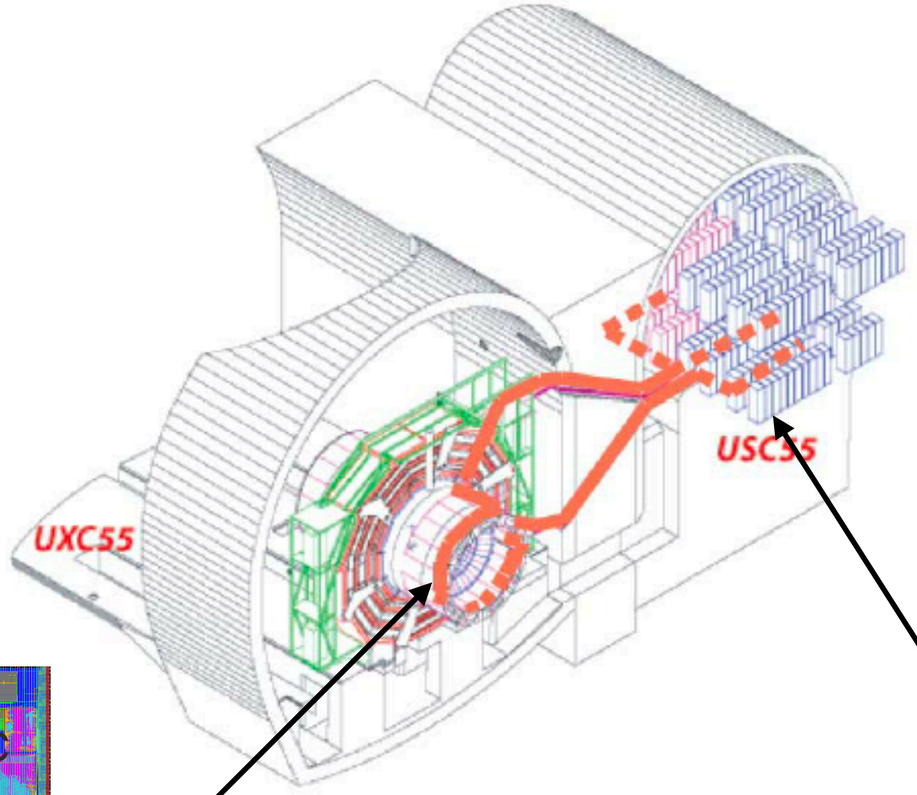

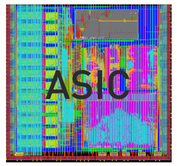

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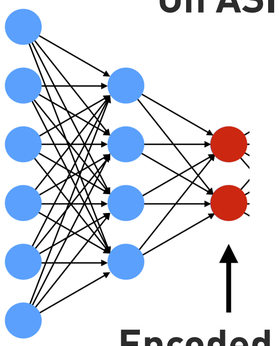

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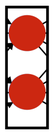

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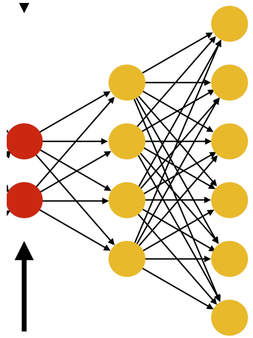

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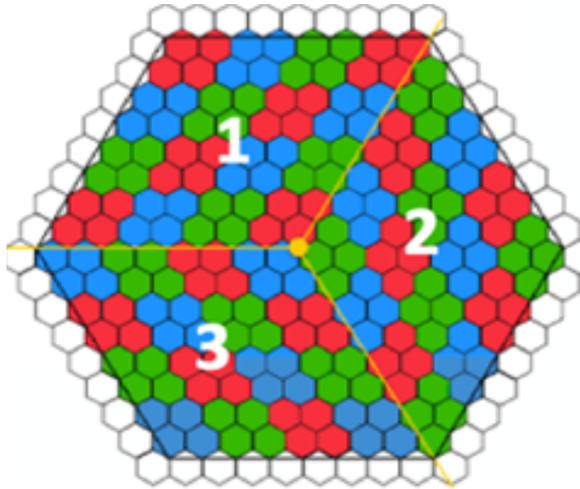
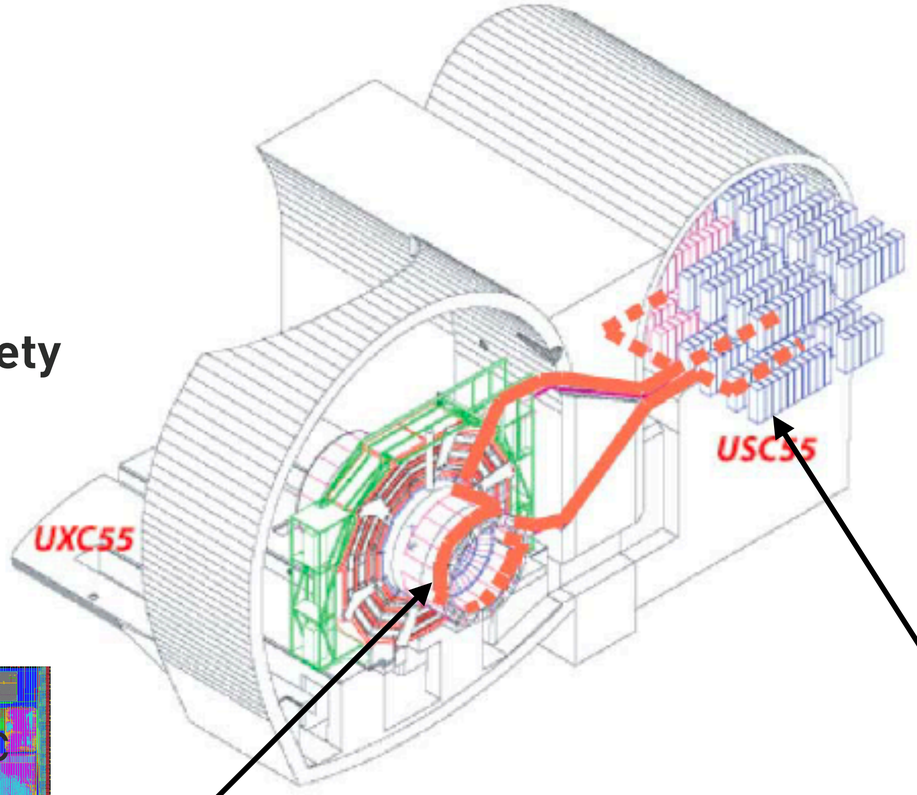
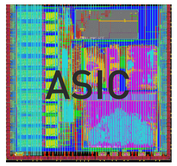


- **75-100 mW**
- **Triplicated w/b for radiation safety**
  Reprogrammable w/b over IC2!





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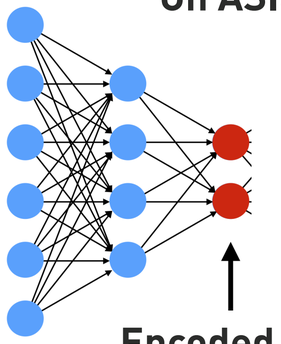

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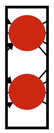

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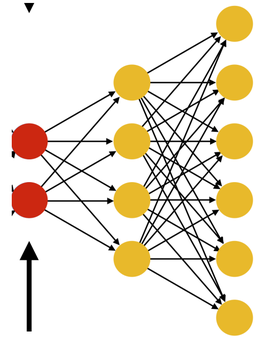

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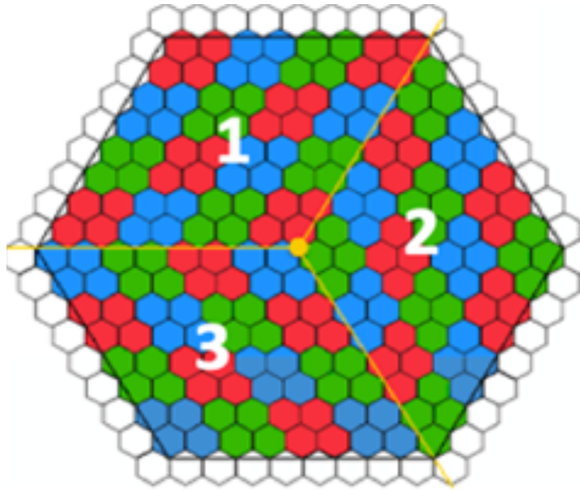

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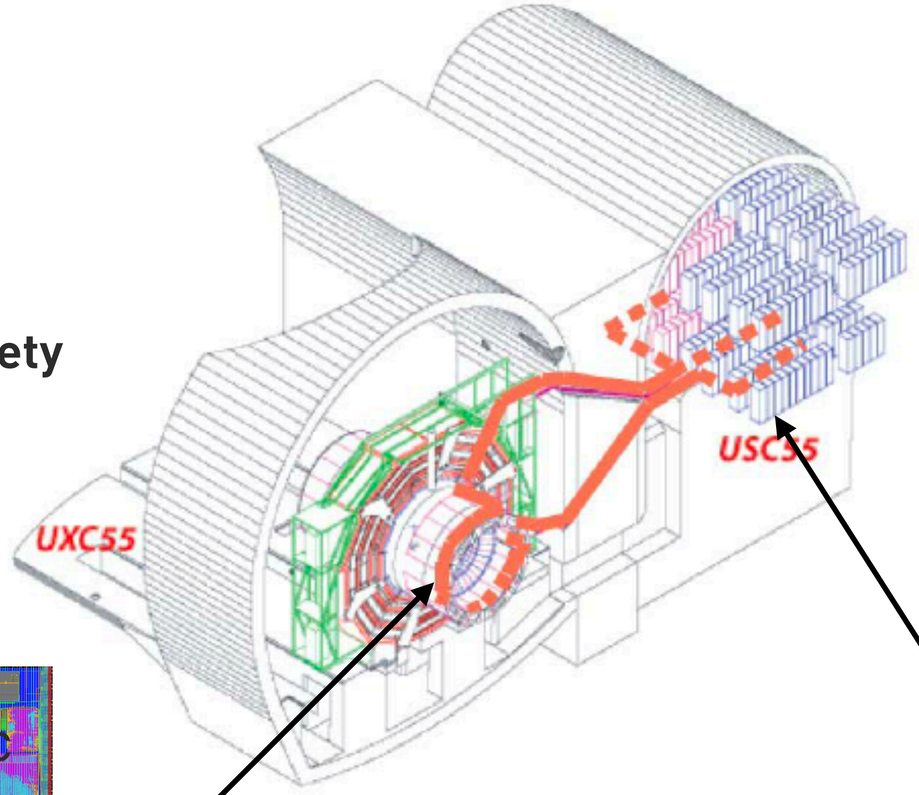

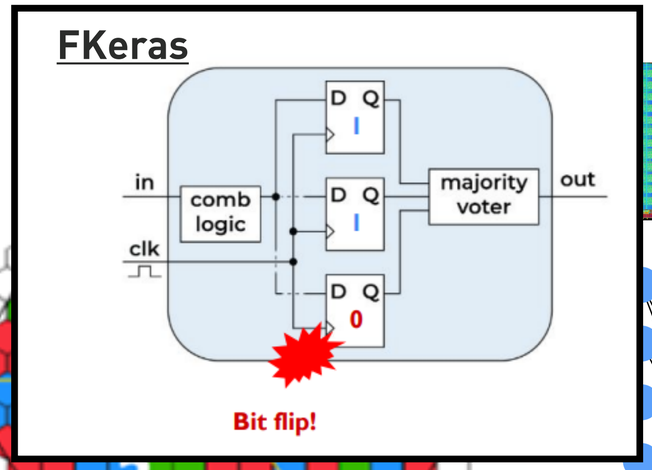

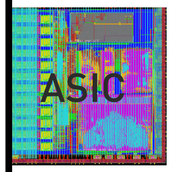

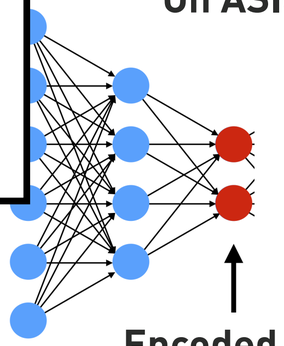

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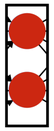

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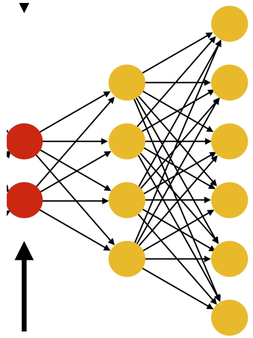

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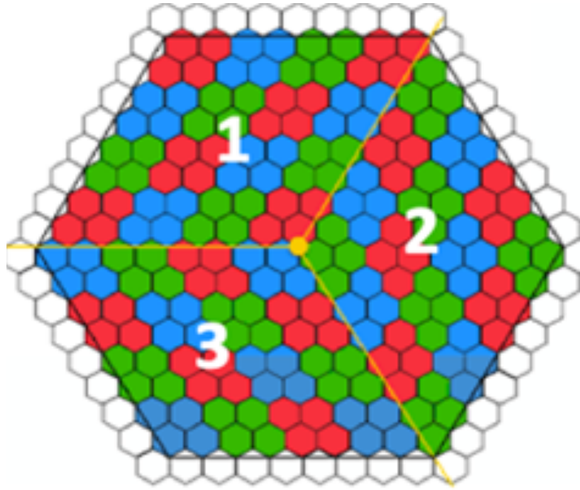
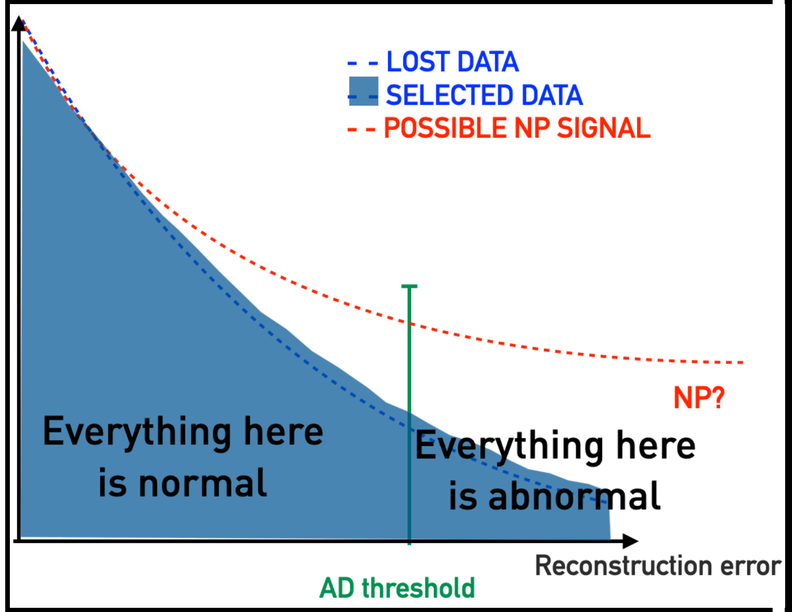


Final exercise

Anomaly detection with VAEs in 50 ns



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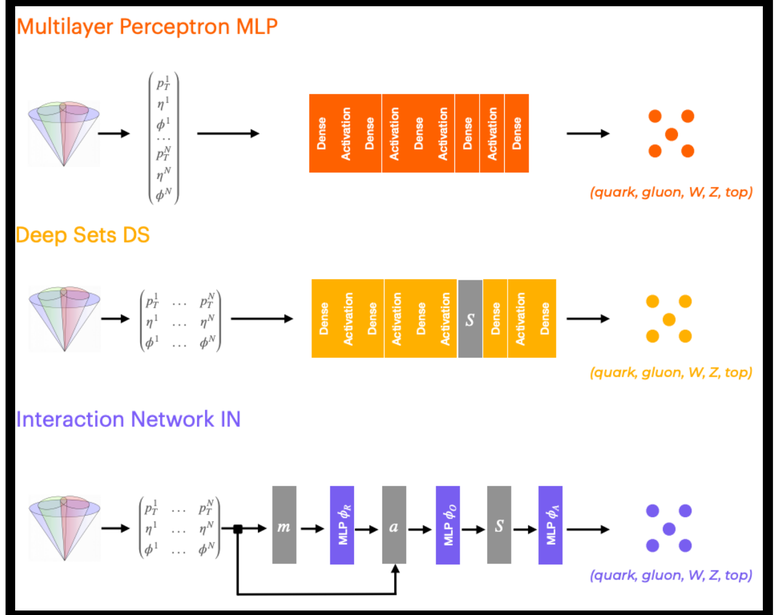

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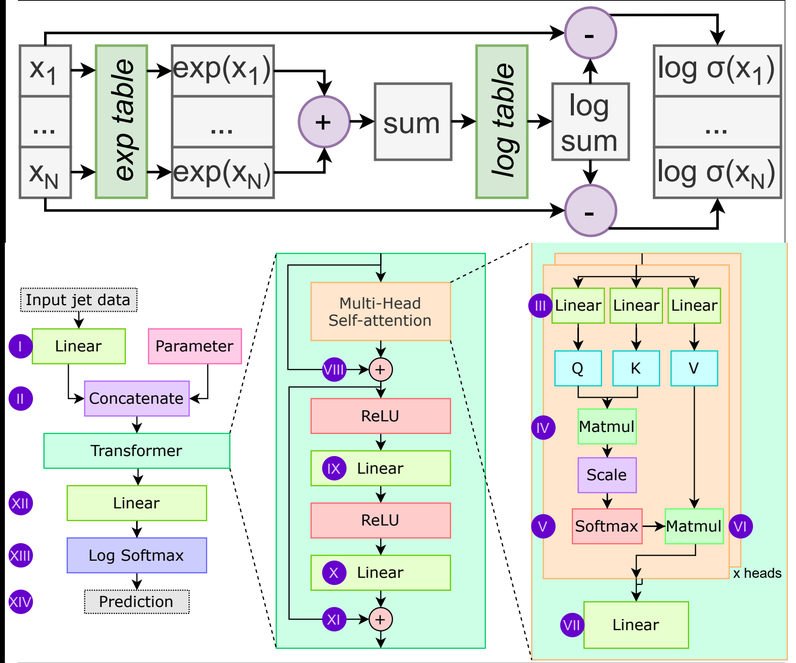
Fully on-chip transformers in 90 ns (500k flops, 9k param)



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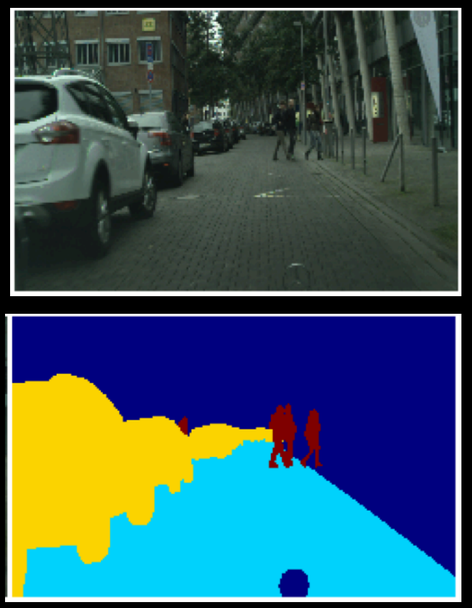
Semantic segmentation for autonomous vehicles



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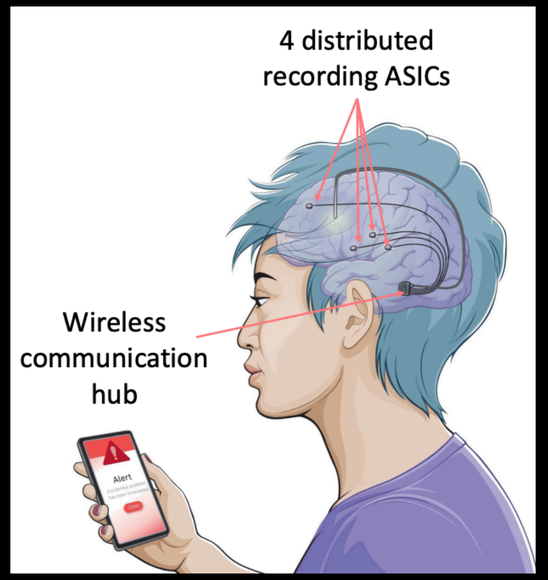

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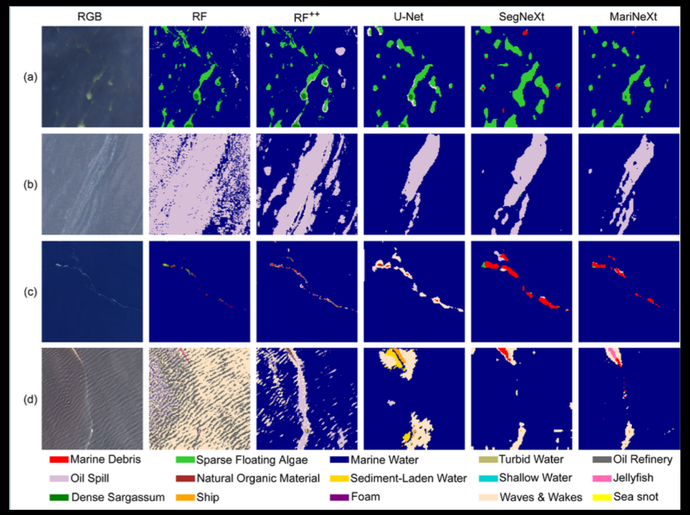
Earth monitoring in satellites



Edge SpAIce, S. Summers

- MLPerf tinyML benchmarking
- For fusion science phase/mode monitoring
- Crystal structure detection
- Triggering in DUNE

- Accelerator control
- Magnet Quench Detection
- Food contamination detection
- Quantum control etc....

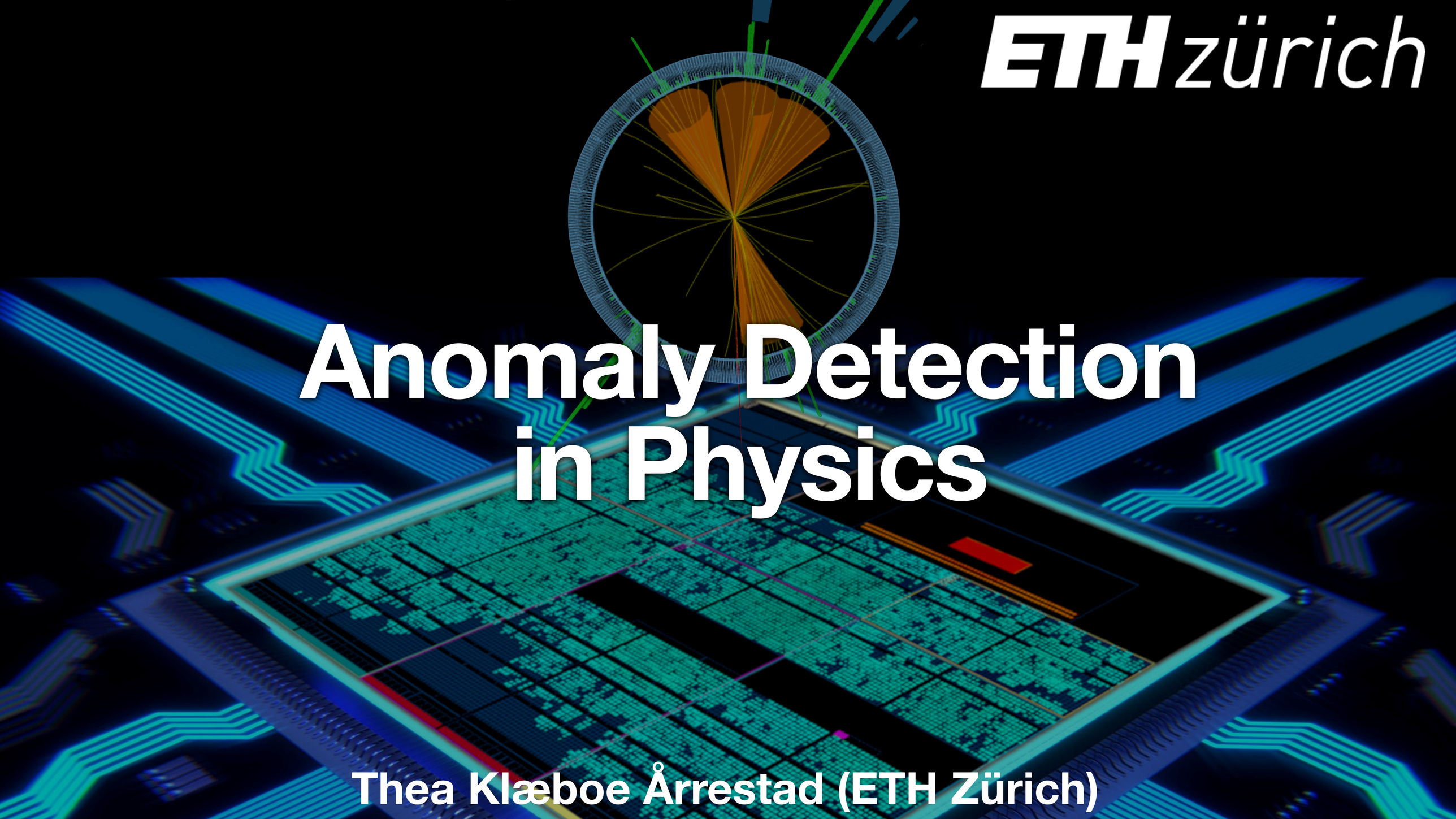
github.com/thaarres/ML_nuggets

github.com/fastmachinelearning/hls4ml-tutorial

Jargon

Great slide from Benjamin:

- **LUT** - Look Up Table aka 'logic' - generic boolean functions on small bitwidth inputs. Combine many to build the algorithm
- **FF** - Flip Flops - control the flow of data with the clock pulse. Used to build the pipeline and achieve high throughput
- **DSP** - Digital Signal Processor - performs multiplication and other arithmetic in the FPGA
- **BRAM** - Block RAM - hardened RAM resource. More efficient memories than using LUTs for more than a few elements
- **HLS** - High Level Synthesis - compiler for C, C++, SystemC into FPGA IP cores
- **HDL** - Hardware Description Language - low level language, such as Verilog or VHDL for describing circuits
- **Latency** - time between starting processing and receiving the result
- **II** - Initiation Interval - time from accepting first input to accepting next input (visualize, cars on a production line)



Anomaly Detection in Physics

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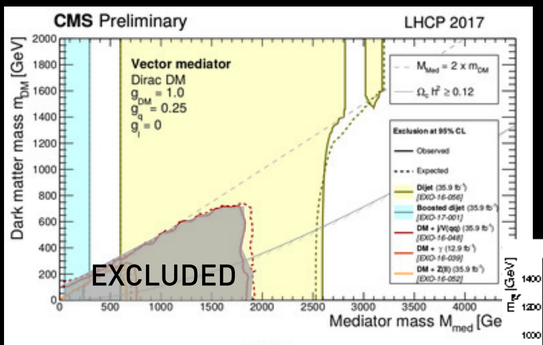

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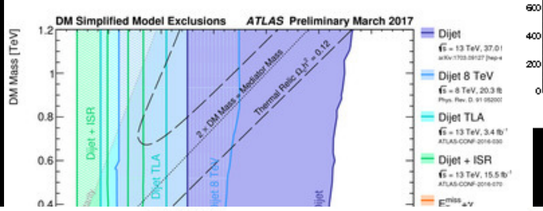

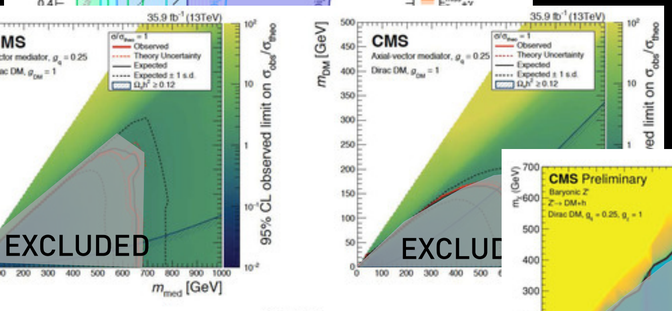

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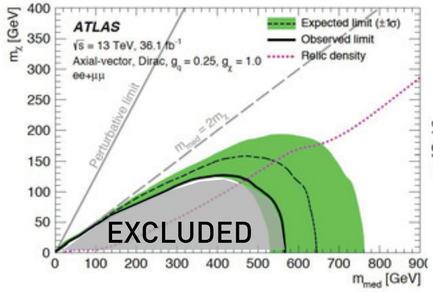

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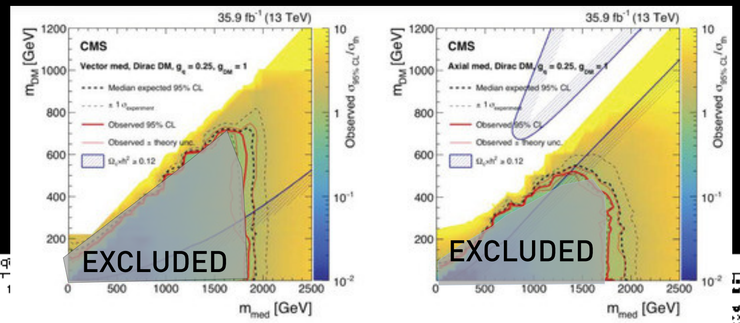

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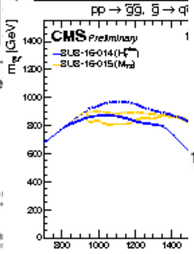

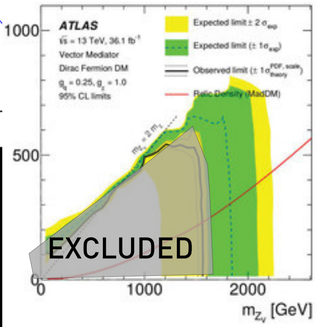

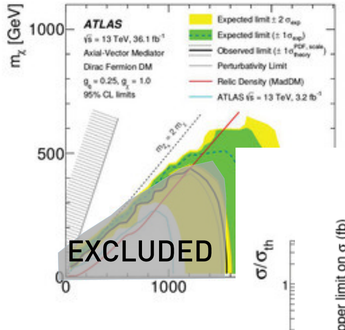

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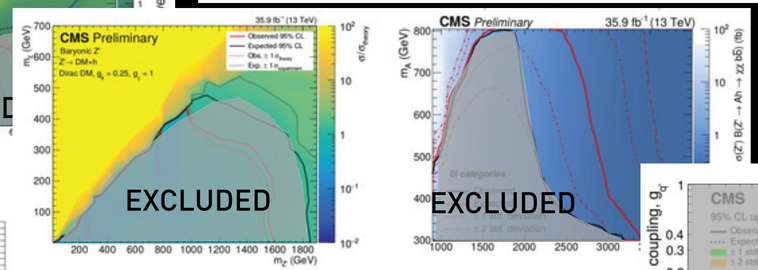

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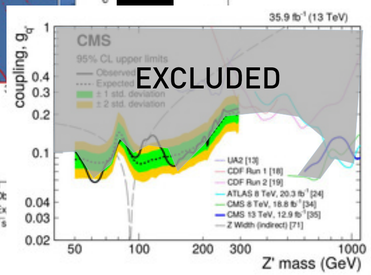

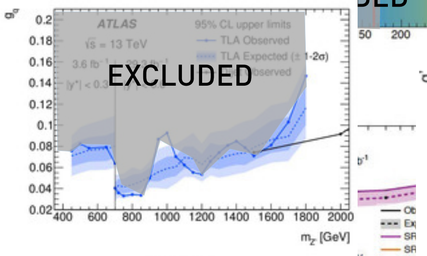

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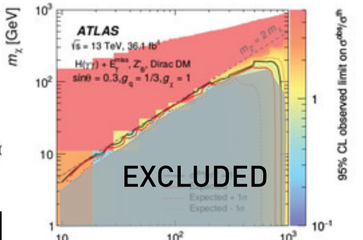

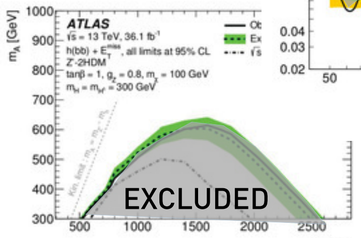

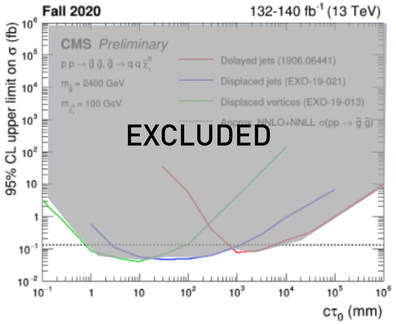

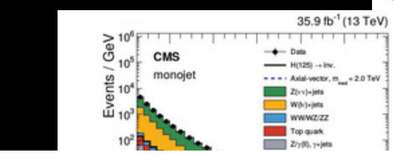

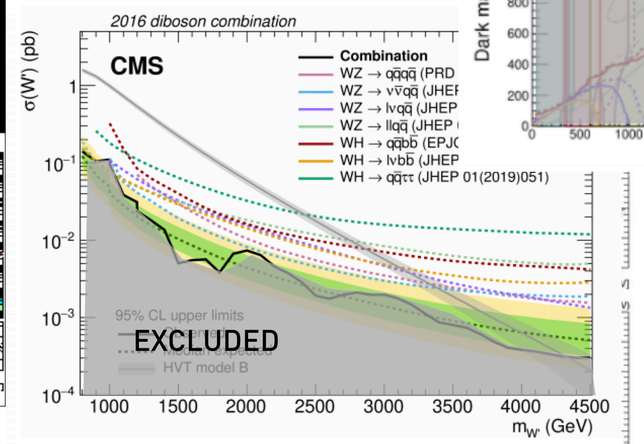

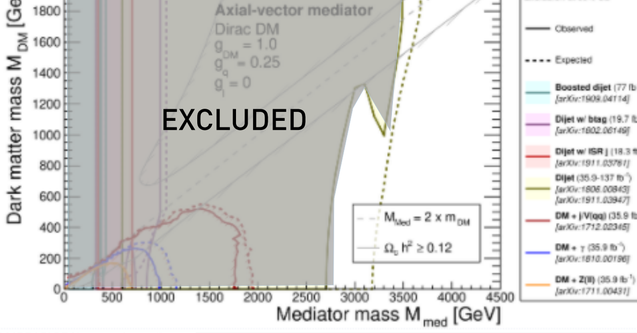

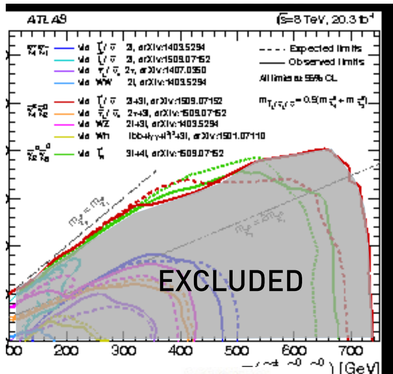

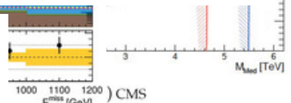

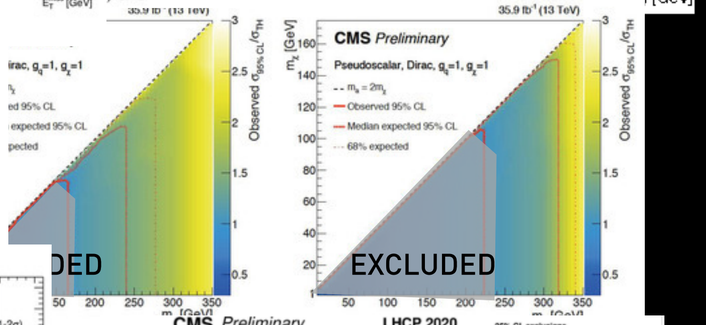

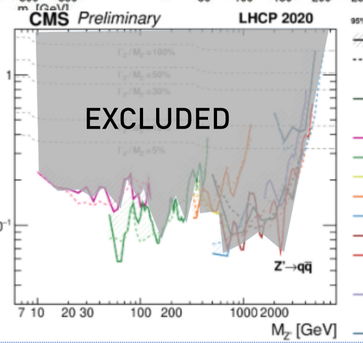

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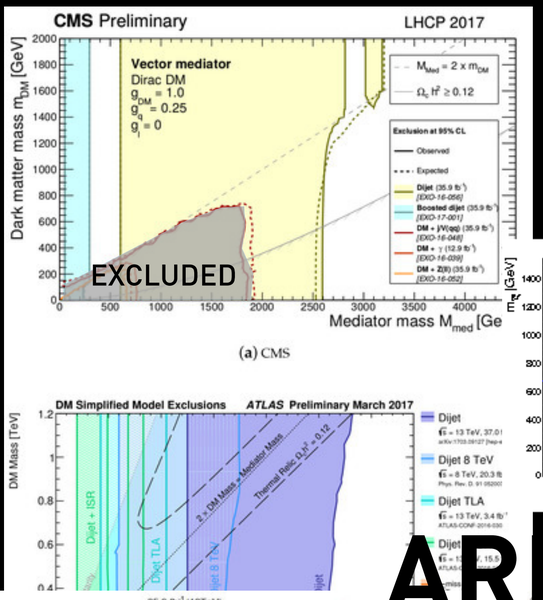

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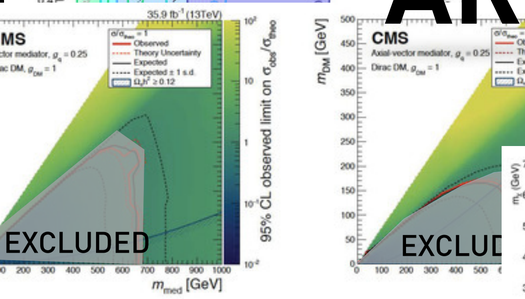

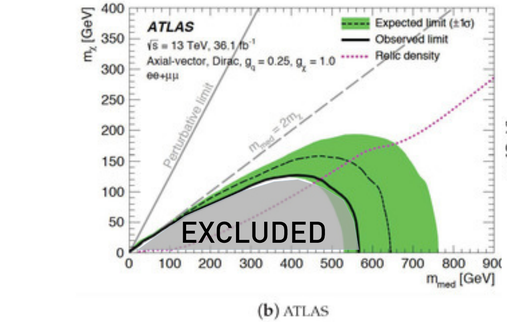

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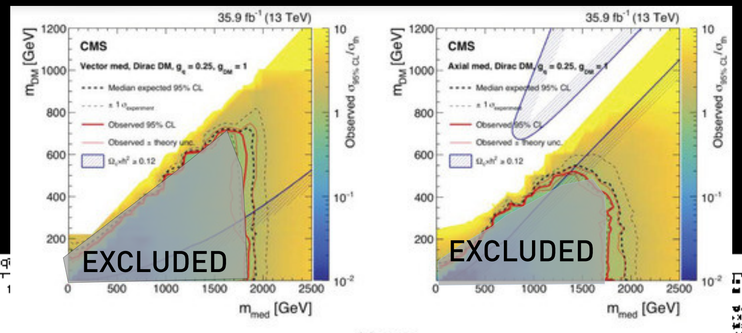

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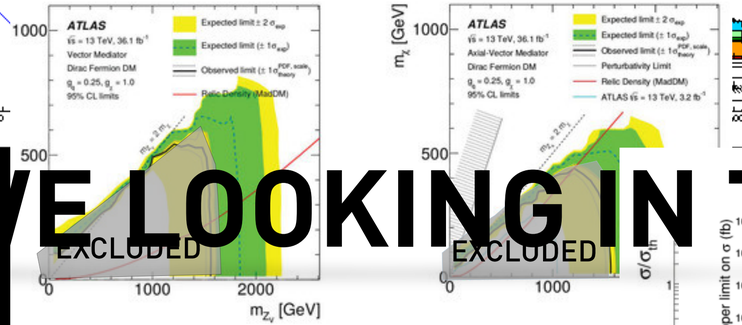

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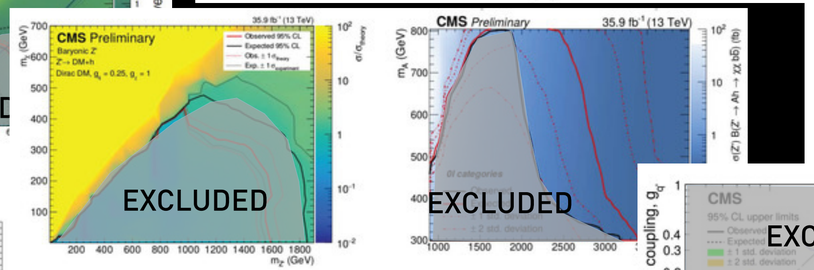

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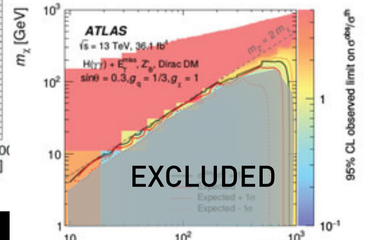

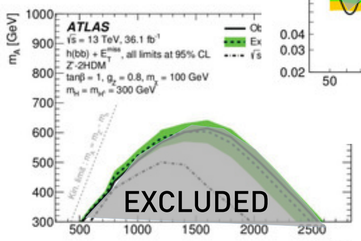

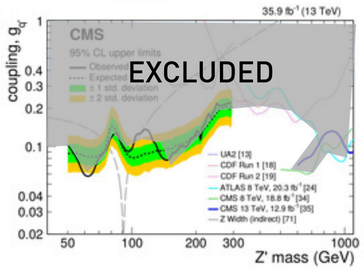

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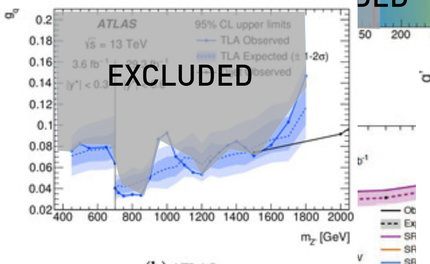

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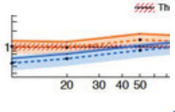

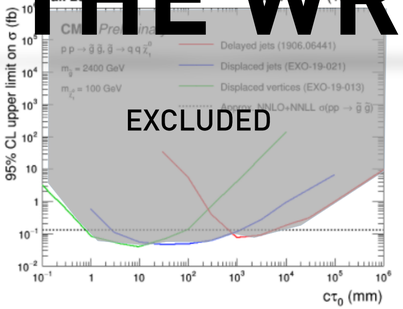

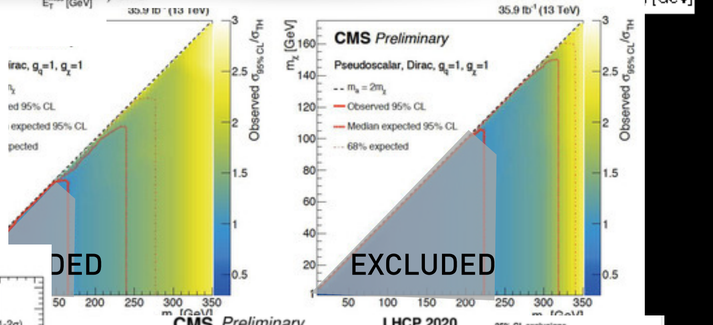

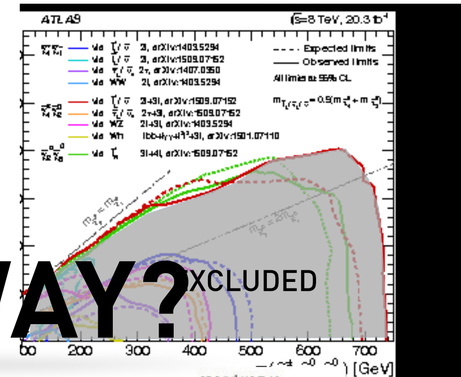

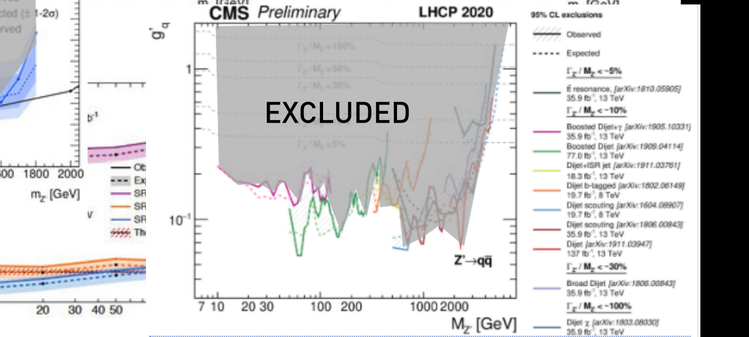

Bias in particle physics

Not interesting region

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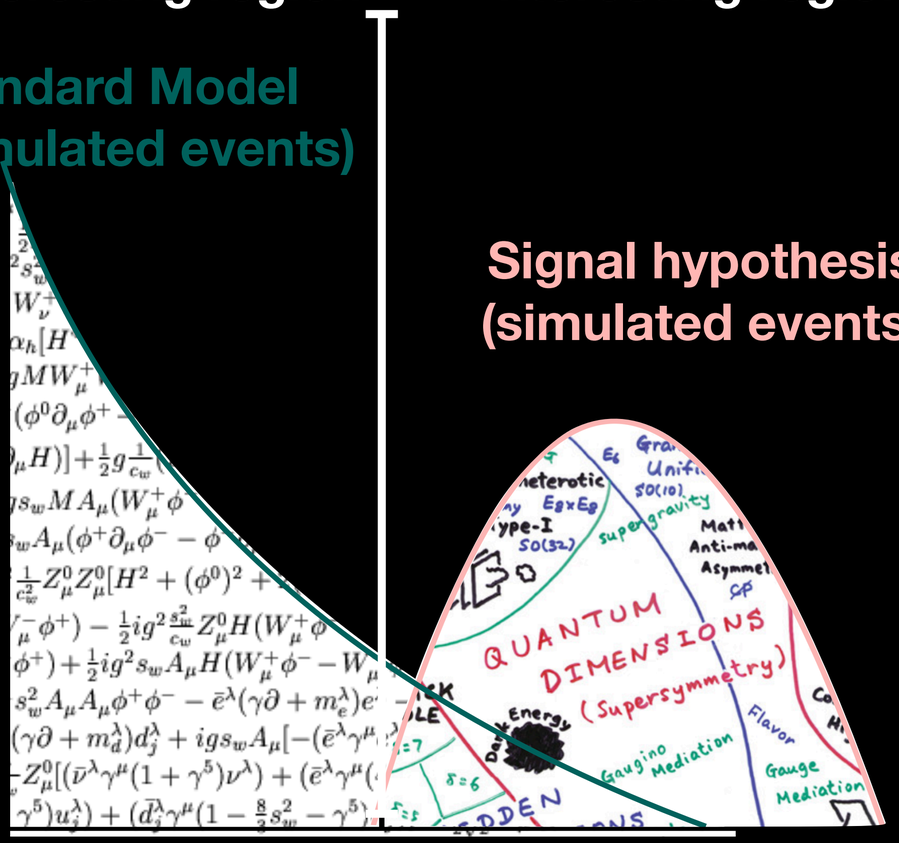

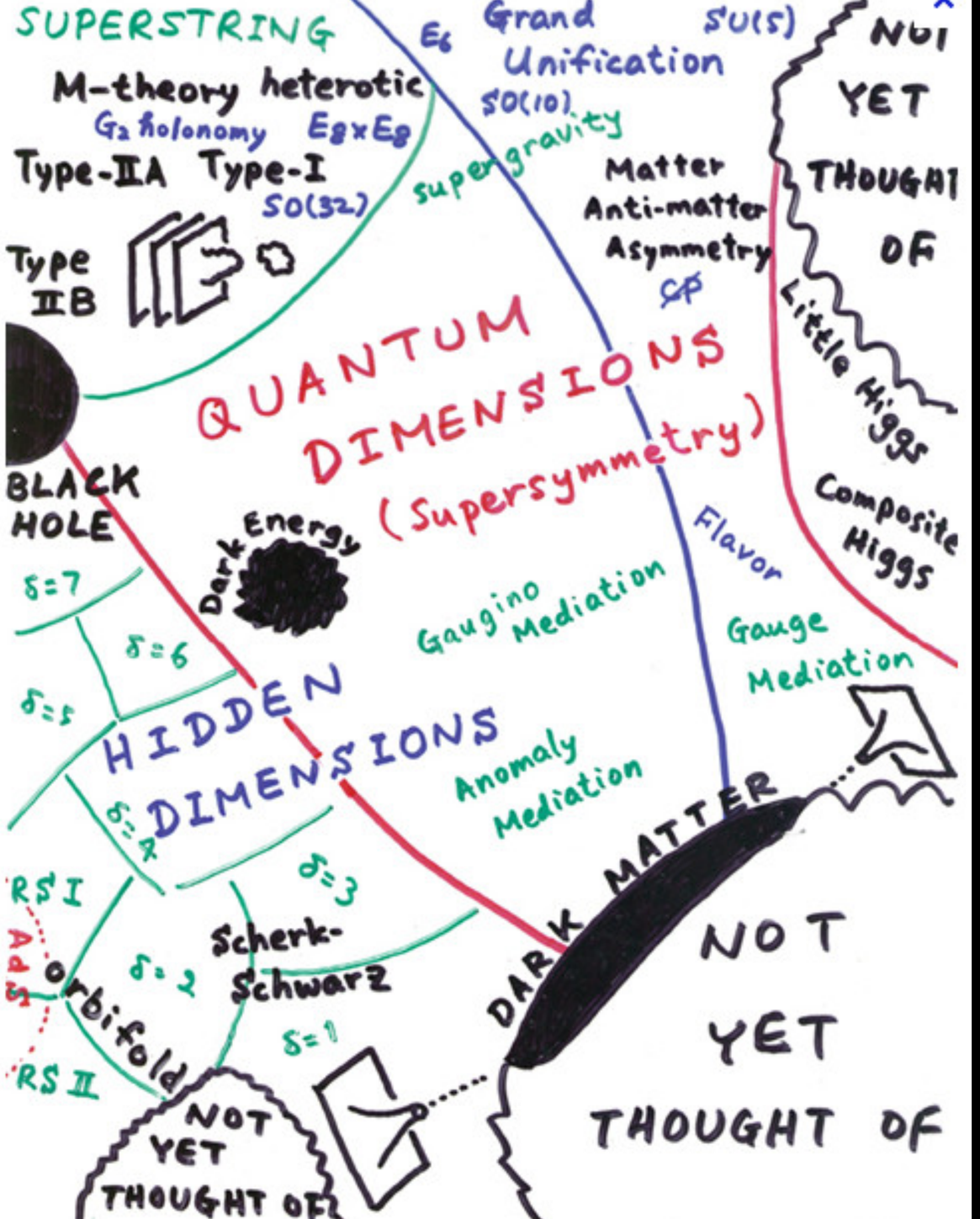
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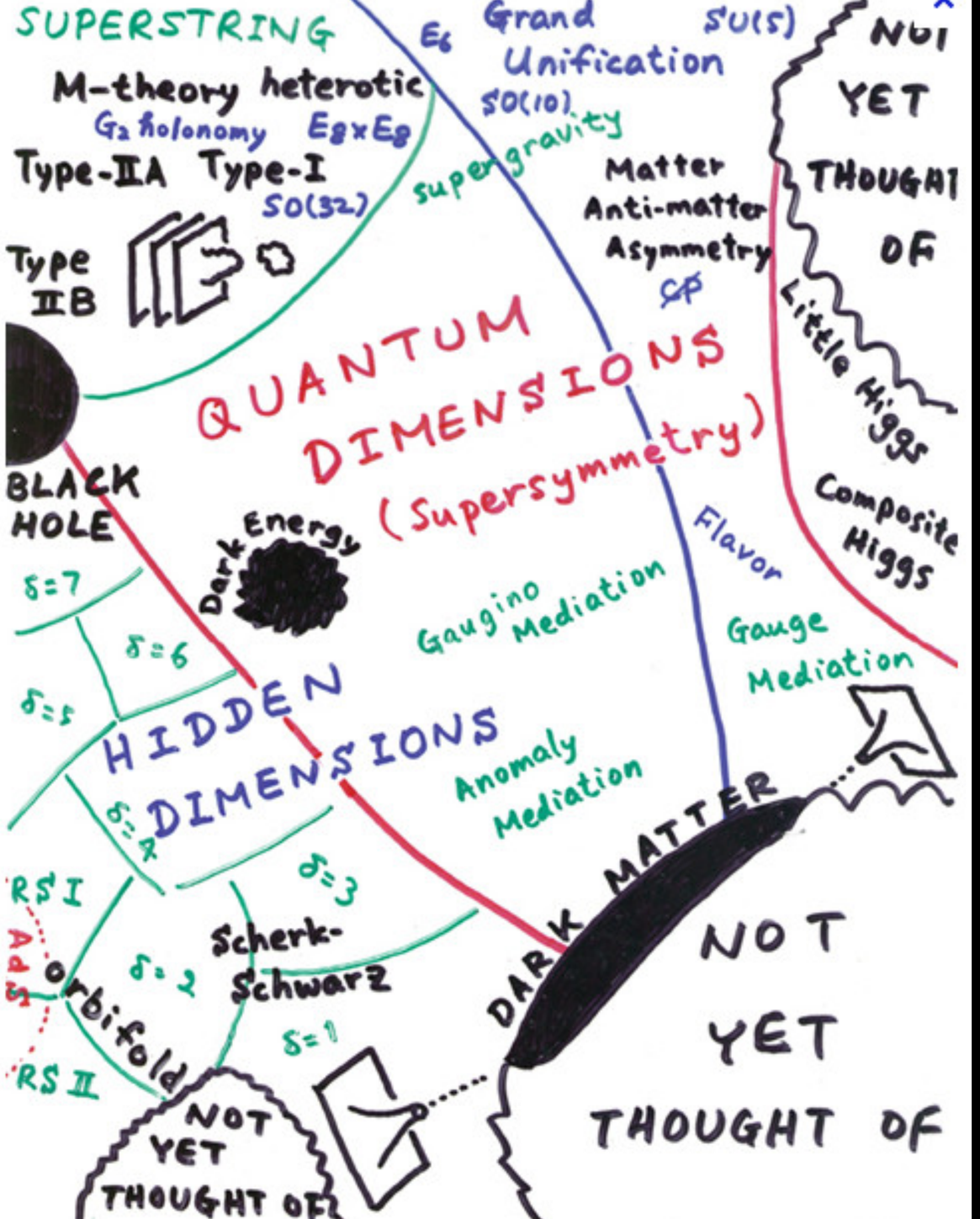
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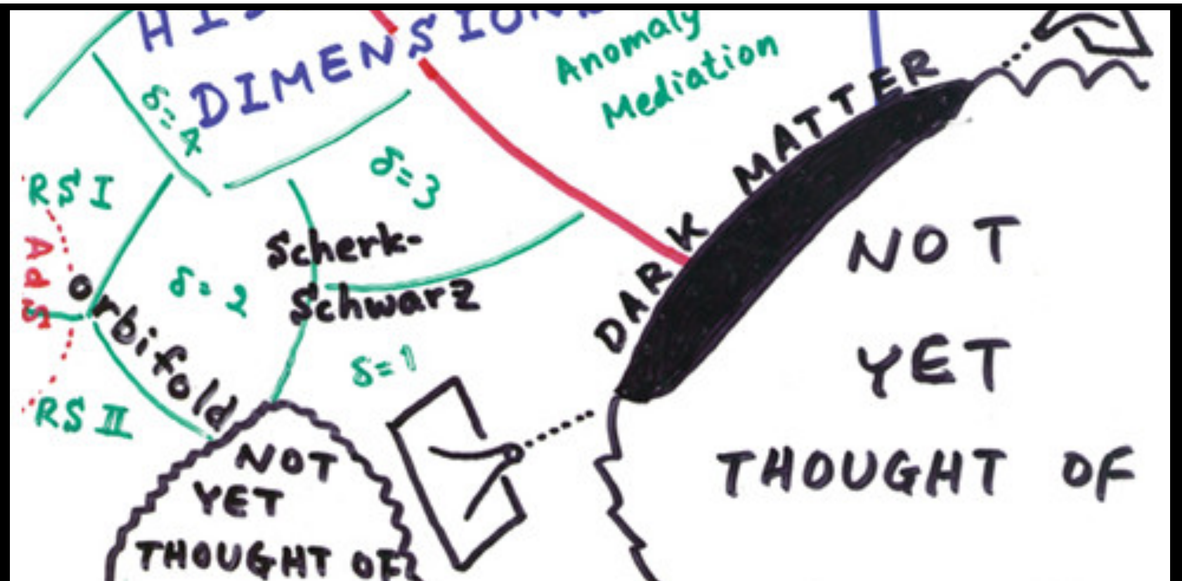
2) **You know vaguely what that something is, but the parameter space is huge**



Anomaly detection for New Physics searches

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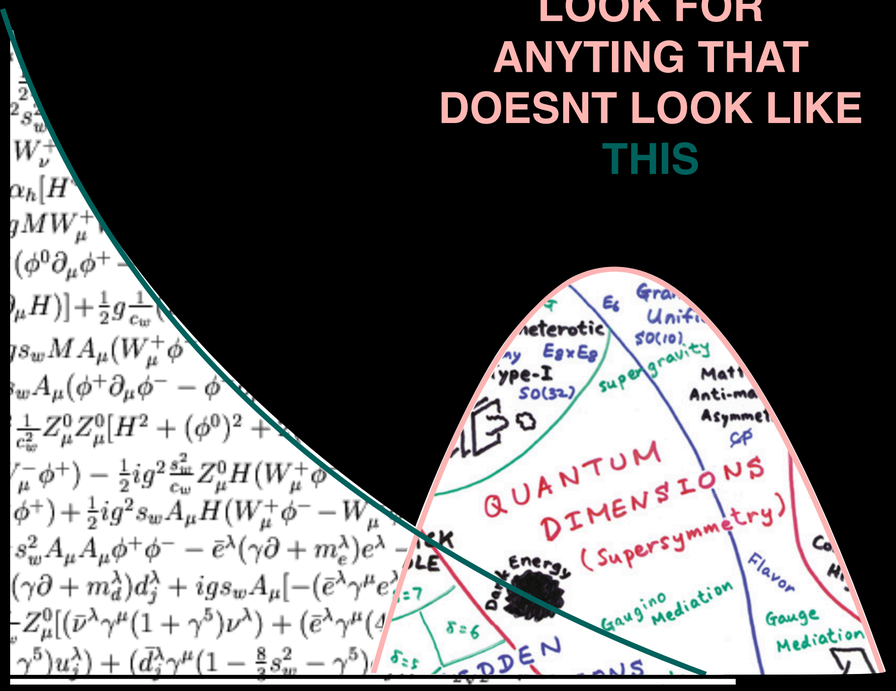

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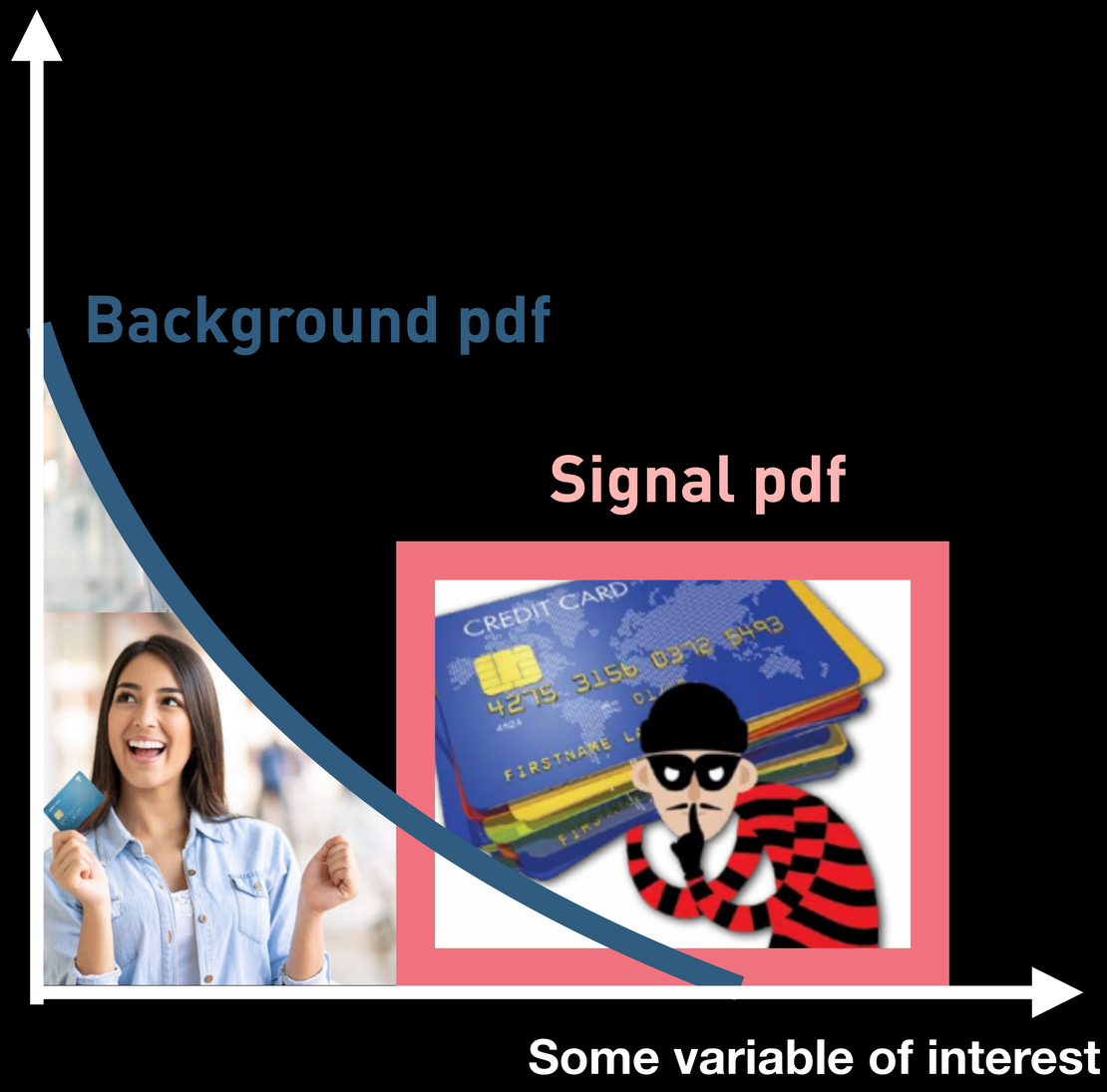

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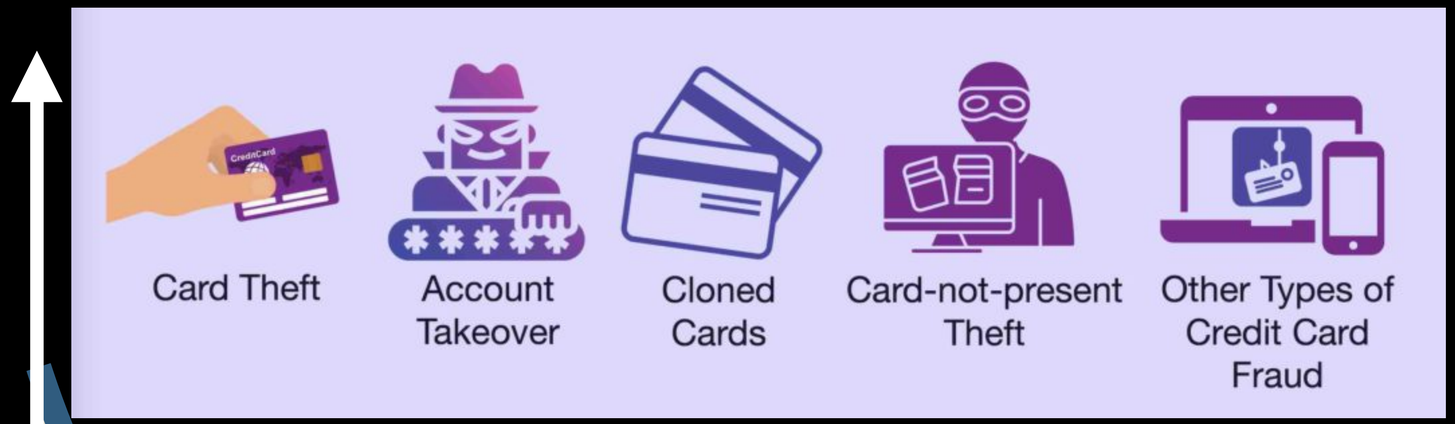

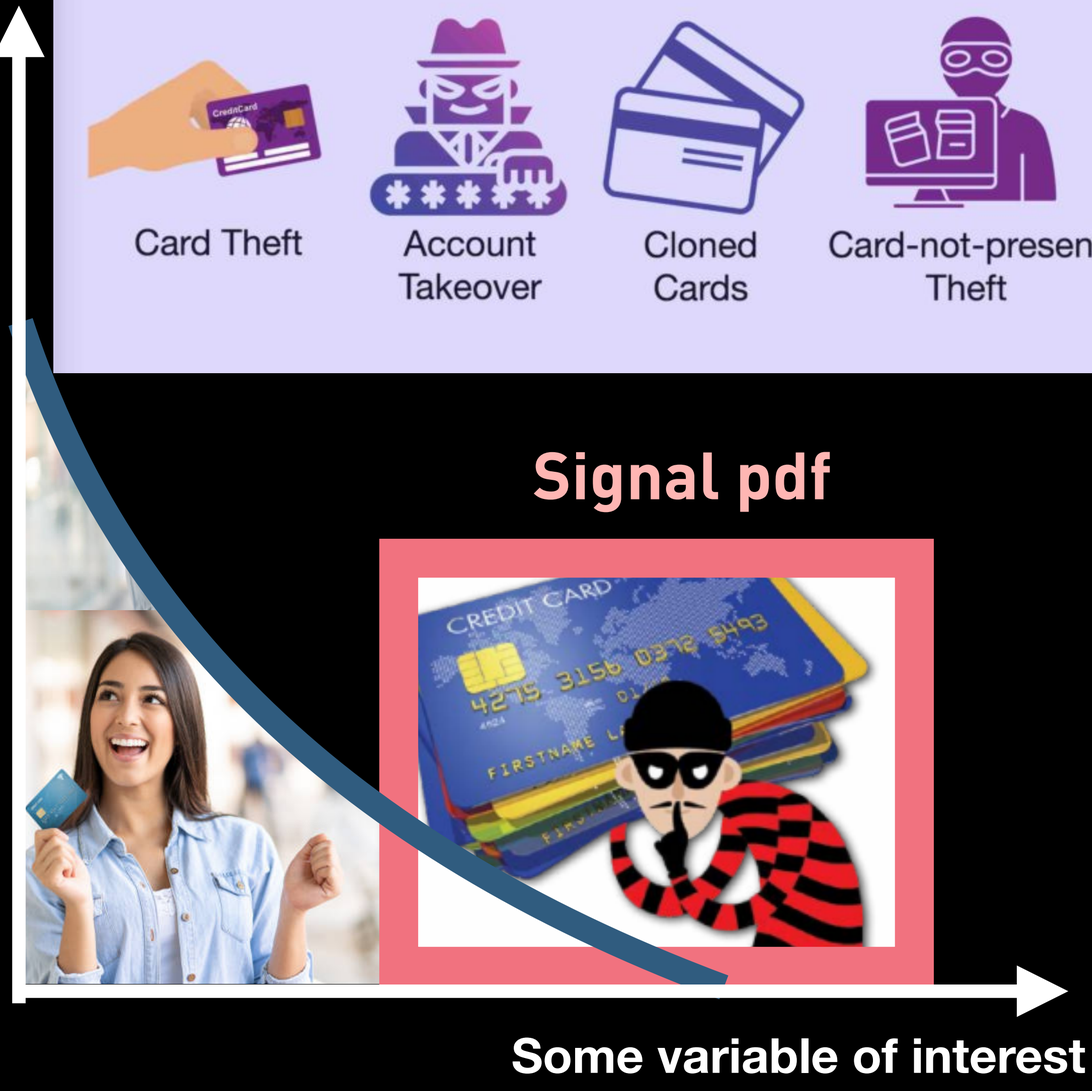

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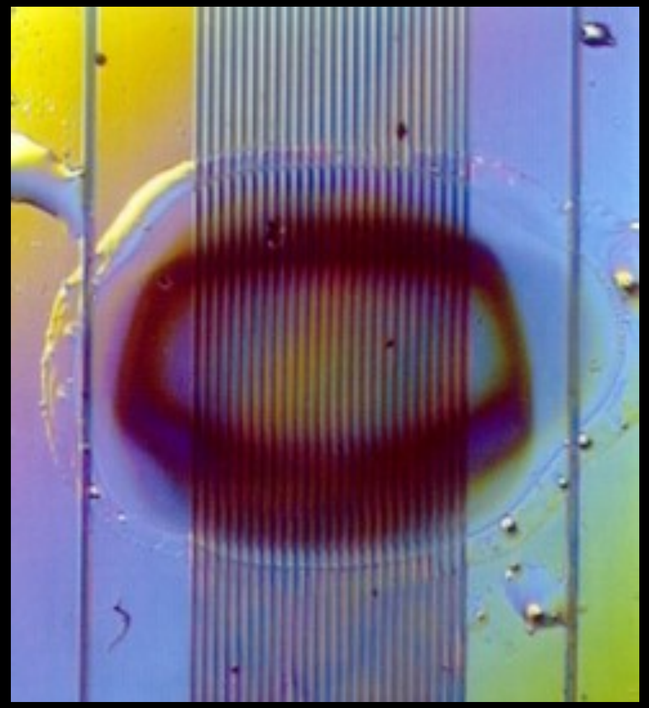

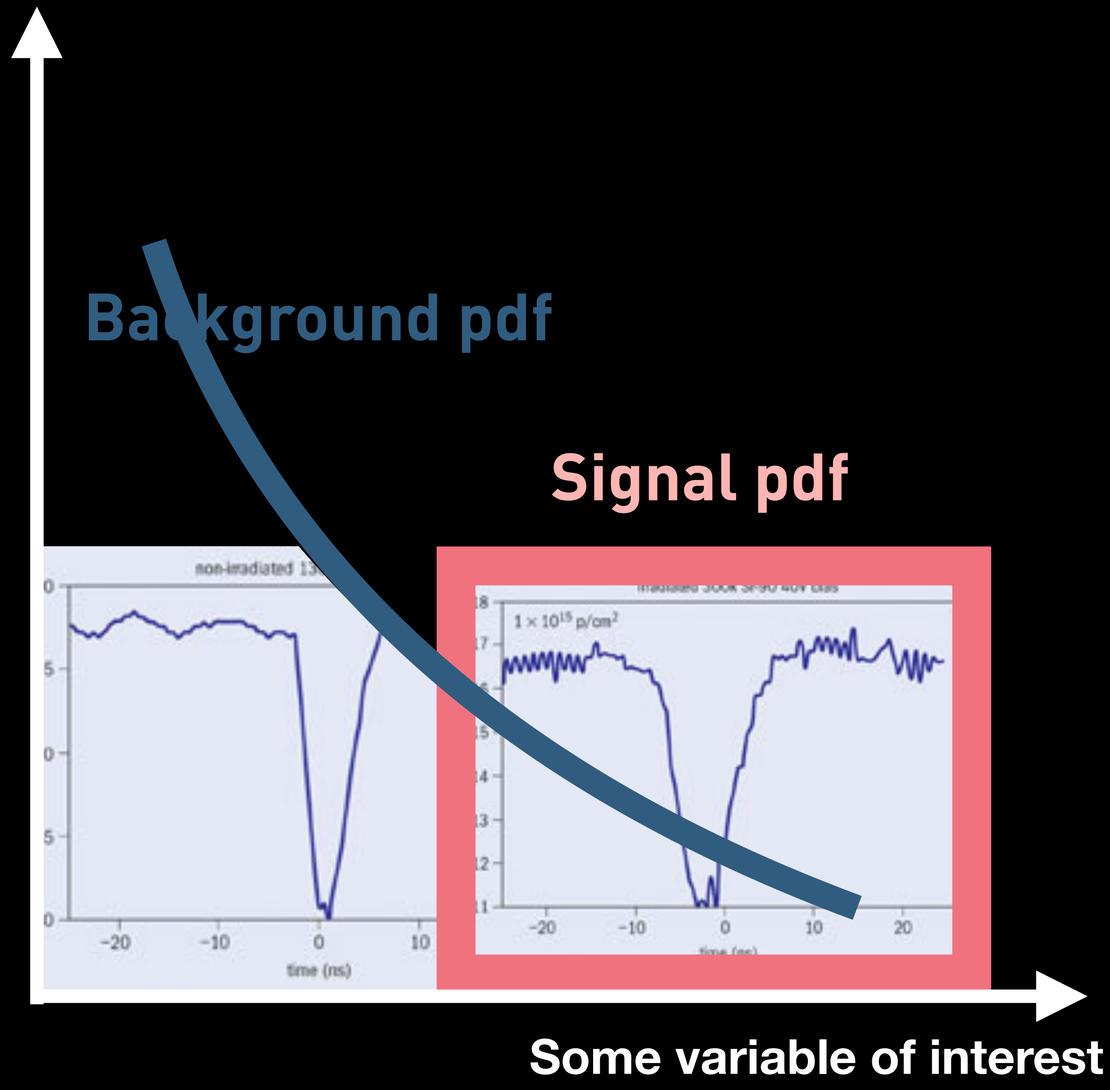

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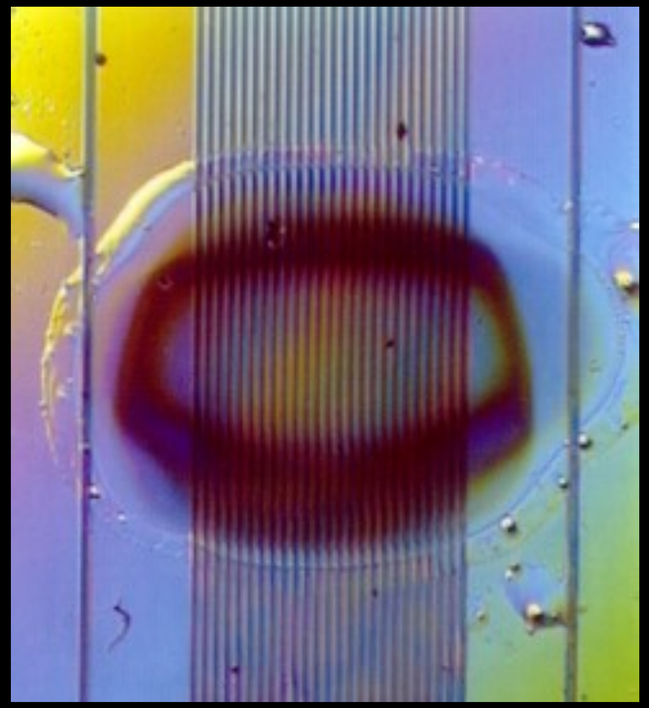

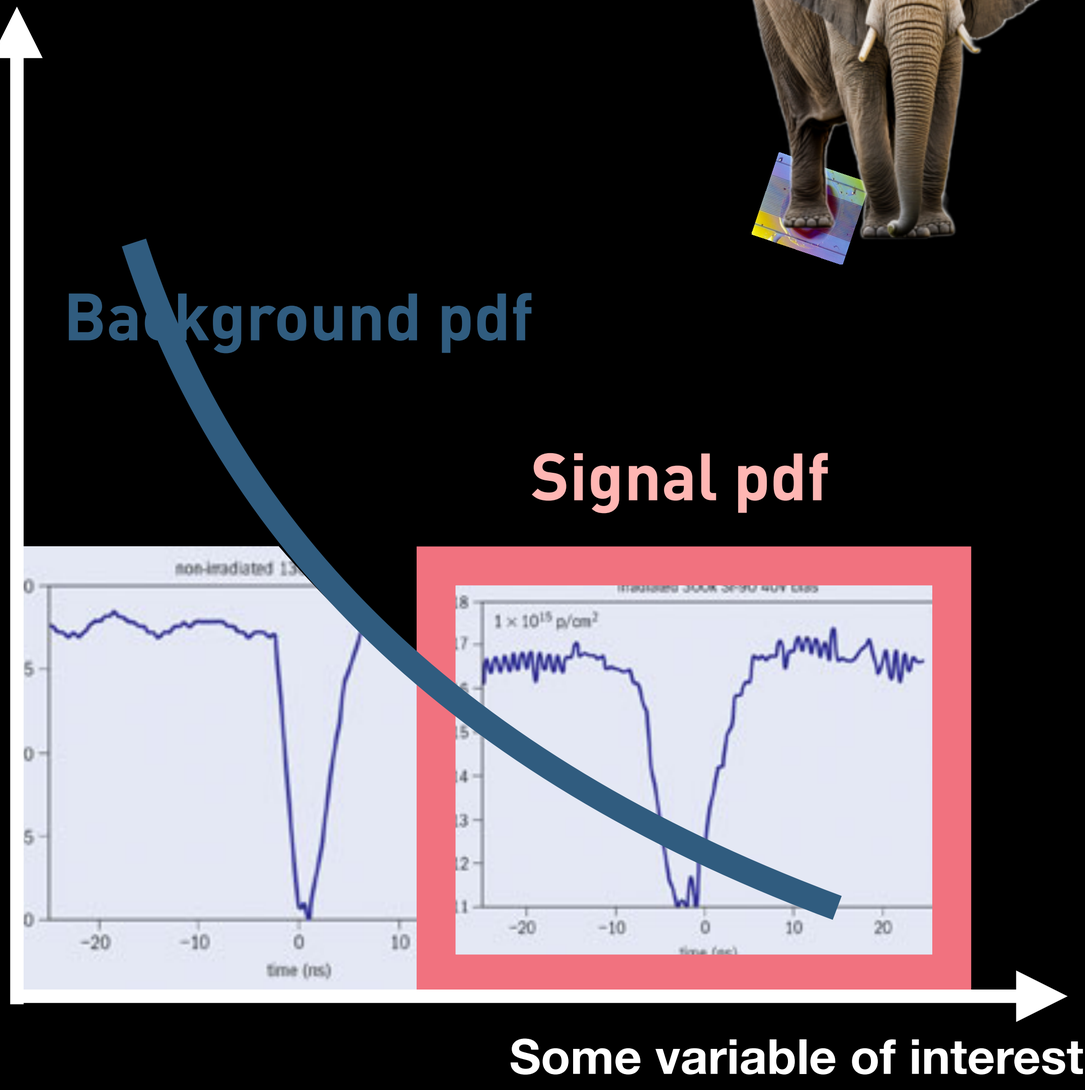

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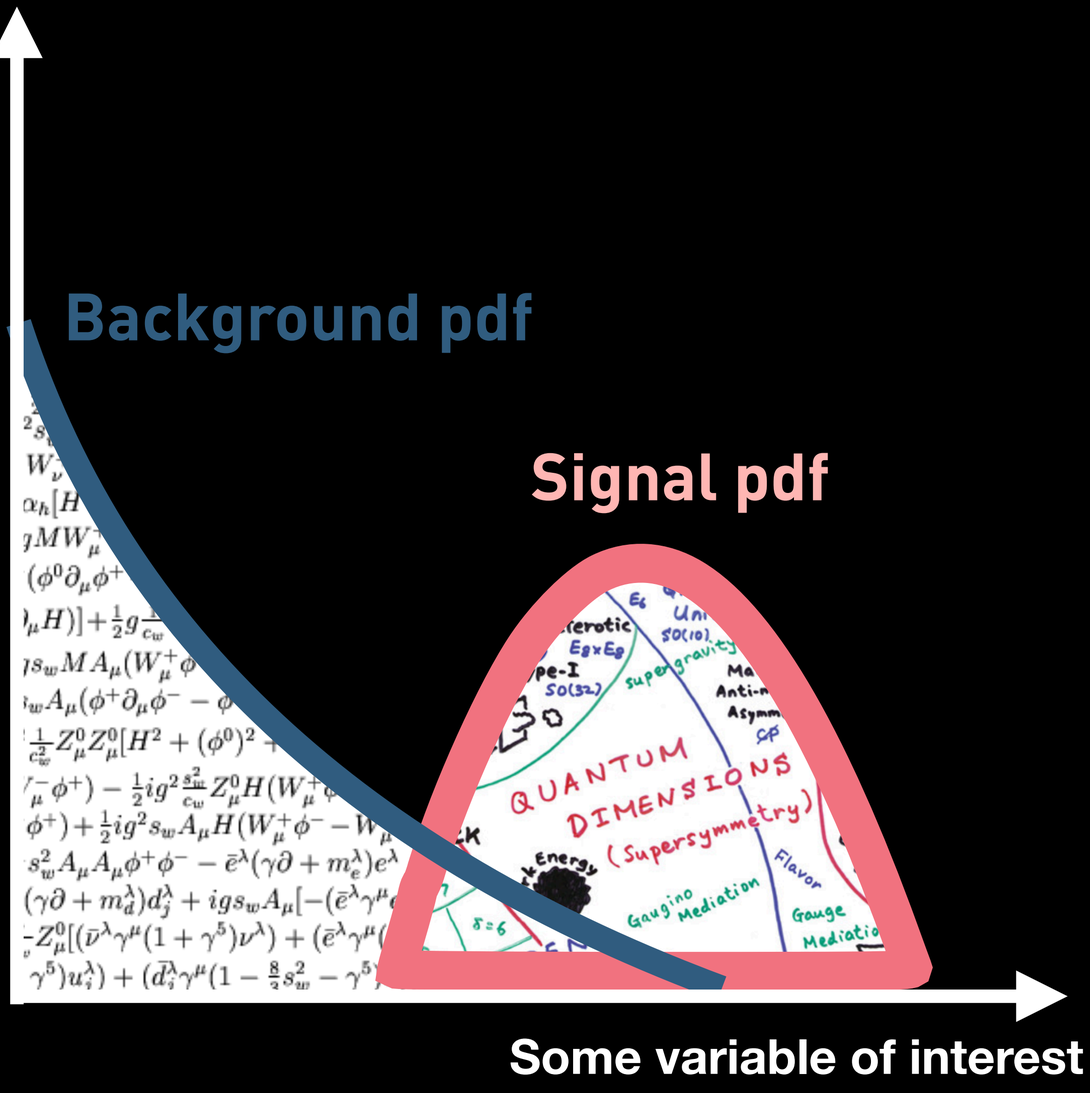

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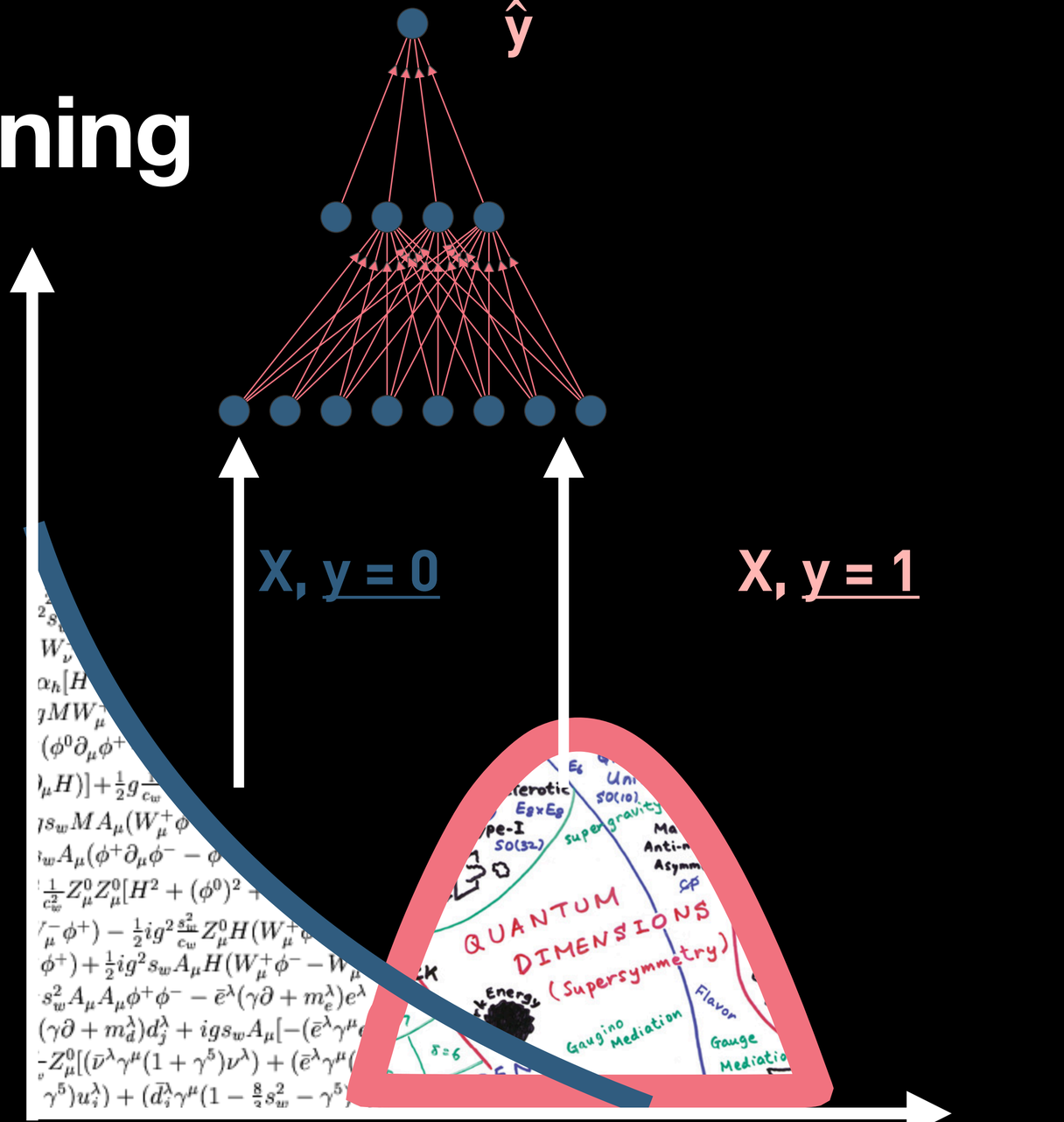

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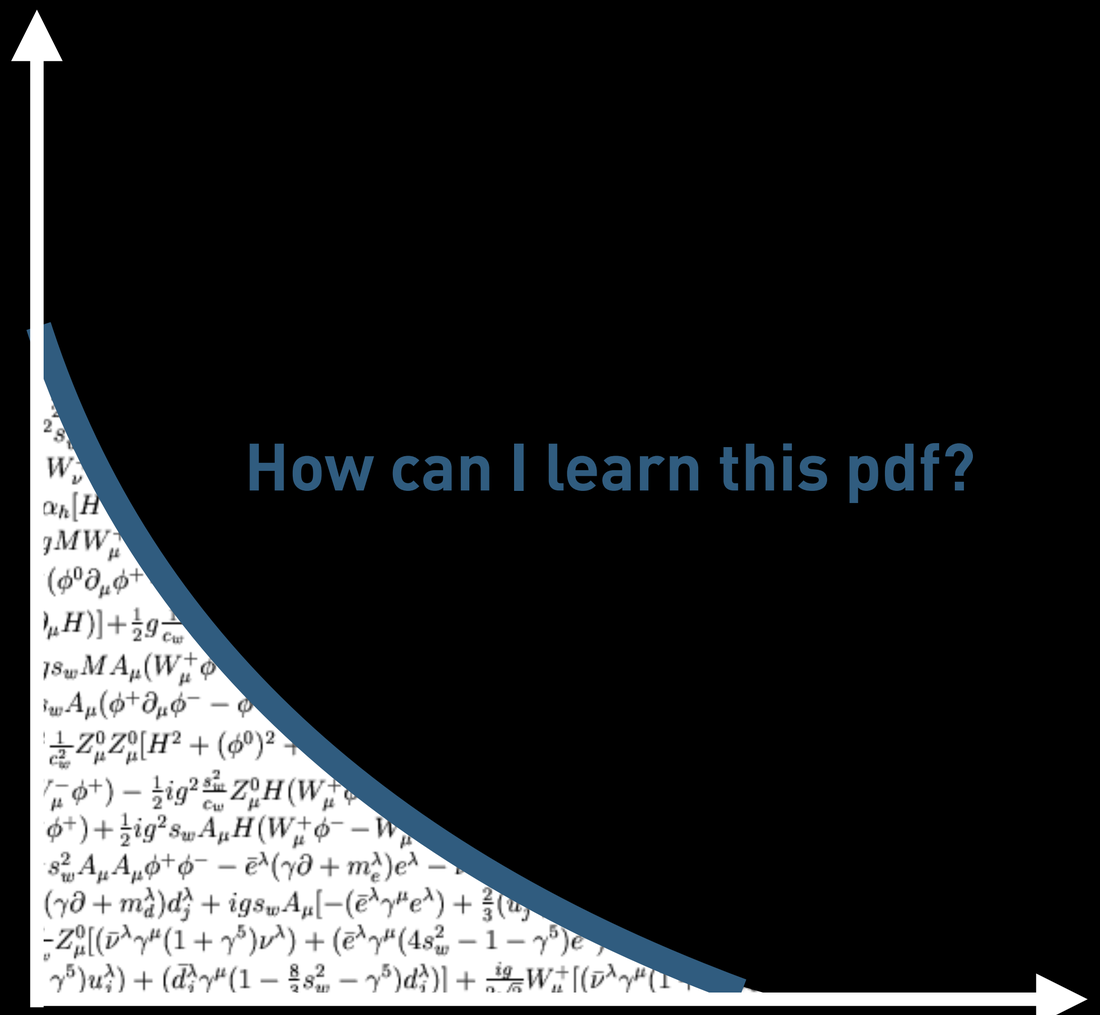
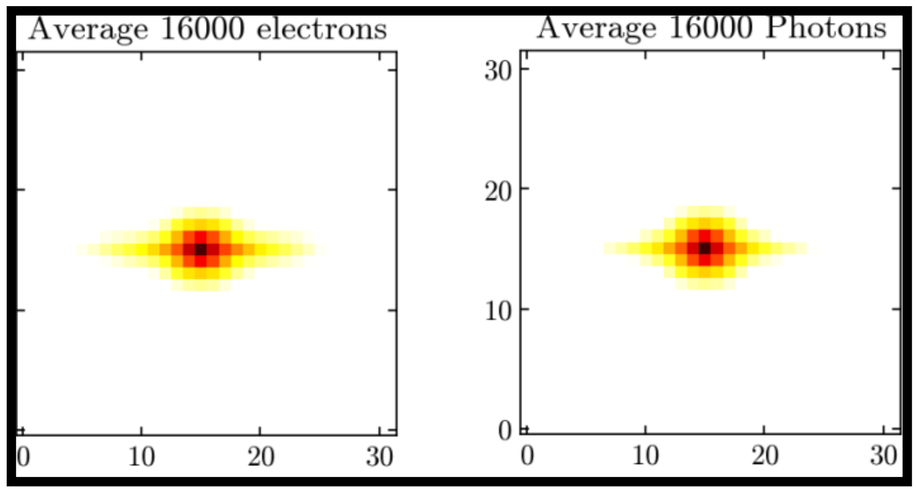
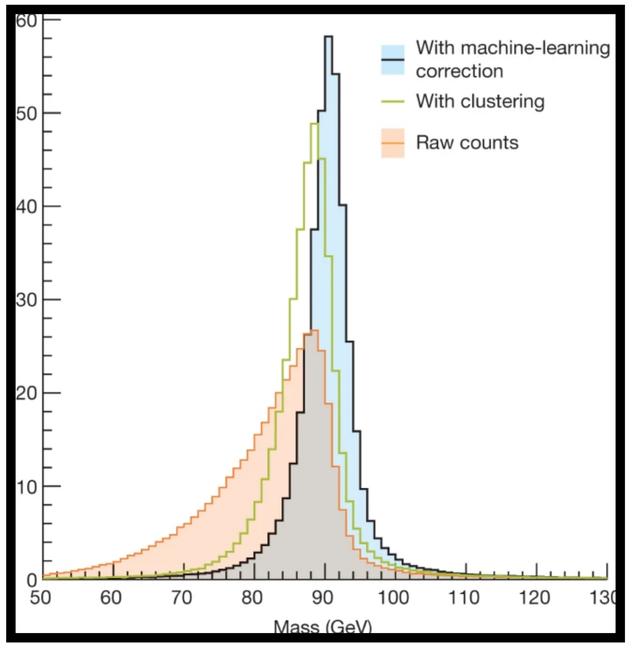
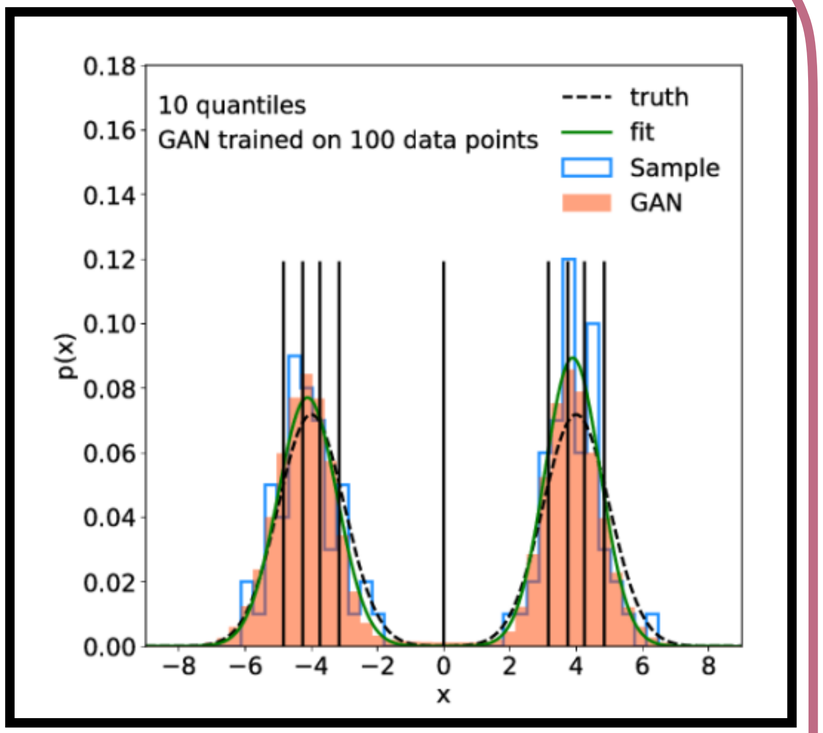

How can I learn this pdf?
Some variable(s) of interest X

Types of models







Classification

- Predict value from a finite set {1,…,C}
- Training: Pairs of input and ground-truth

Supervised Learning

Regression

- Prediction of continuous-valued vector $y \in \mathbb{R}^K$
- Training: Pairs of input and ground-truth

Supervised Learning

Density Modeling

- Model probability density function of data μ_x
- Training: values x_N without values to predict

Unsupervised Learning

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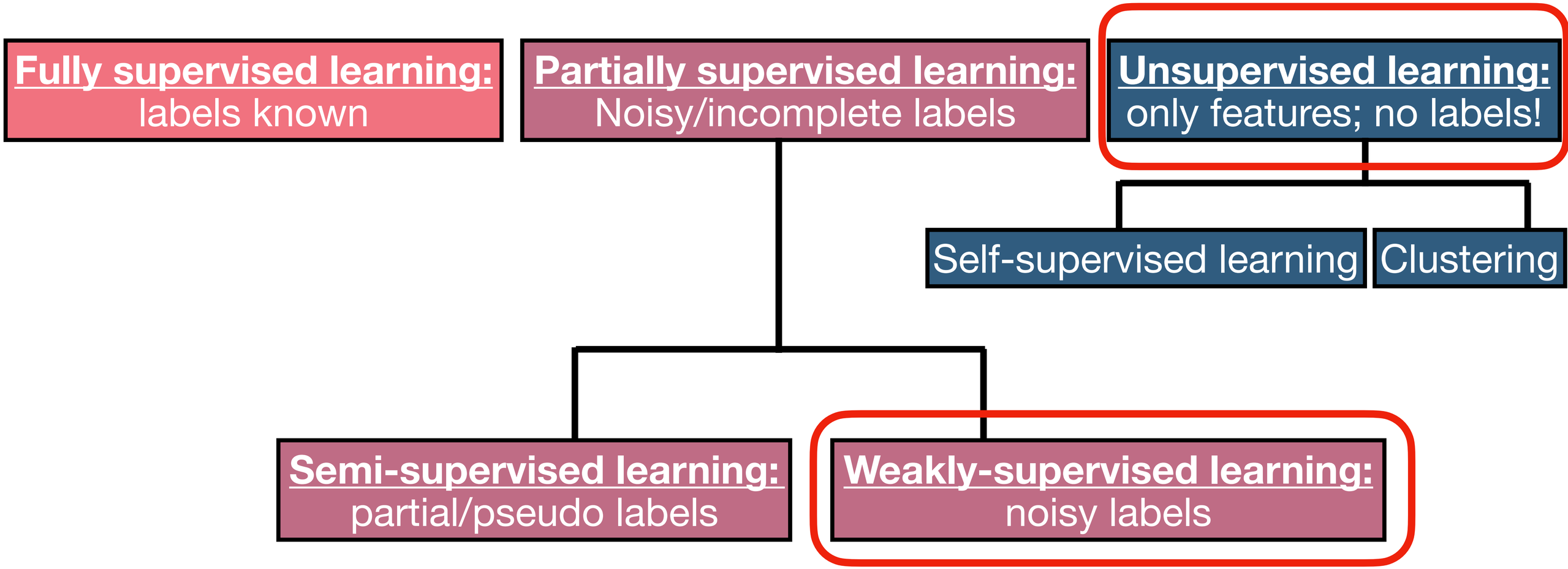

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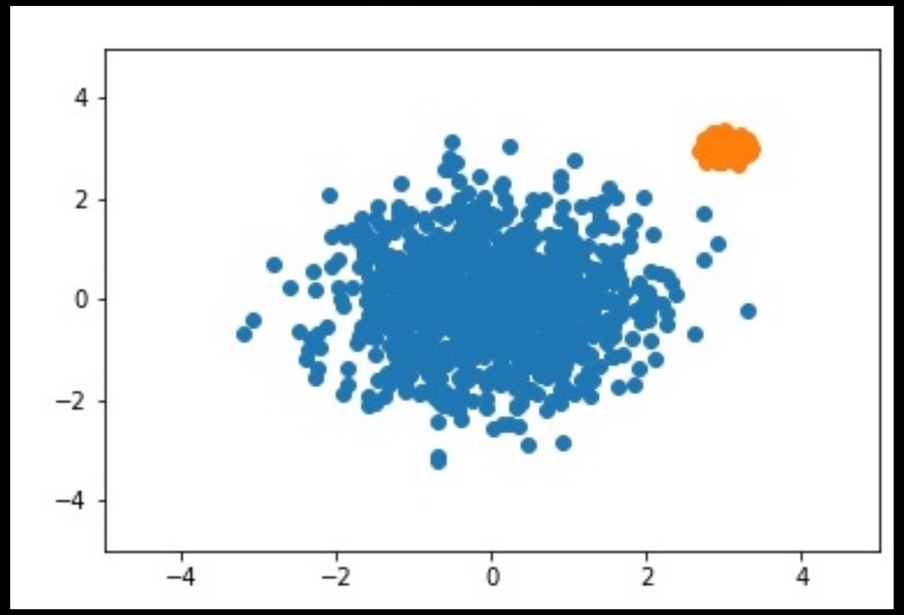

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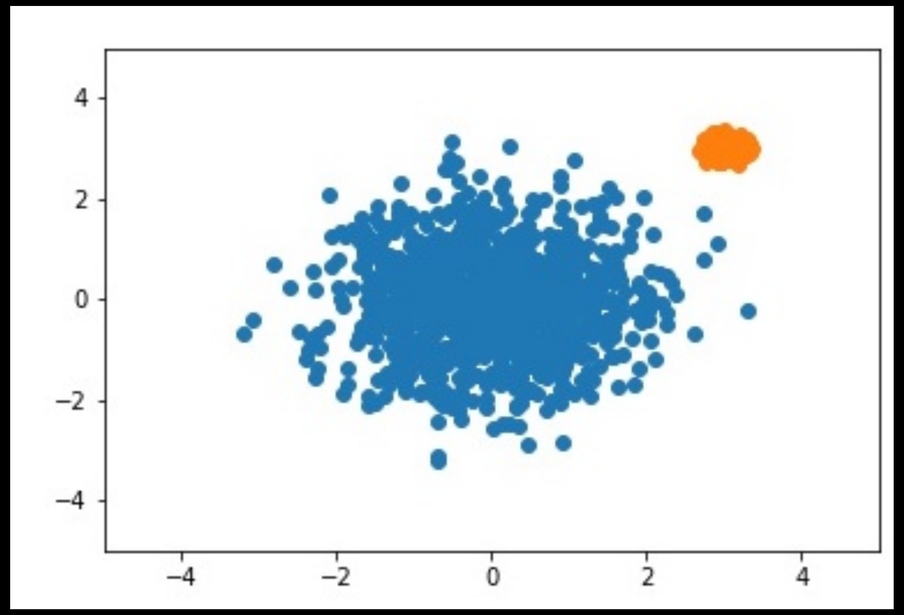

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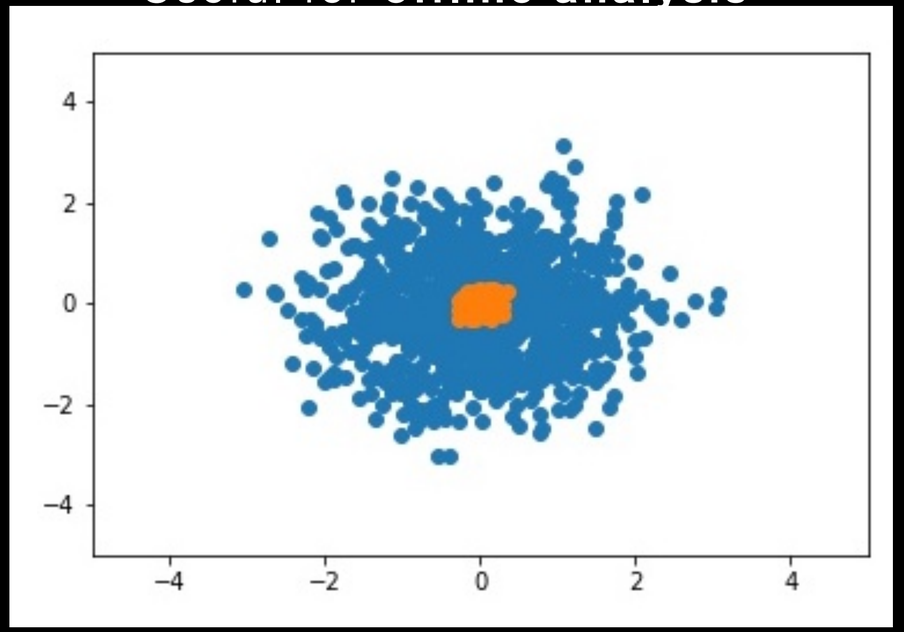
Detecting overdensities

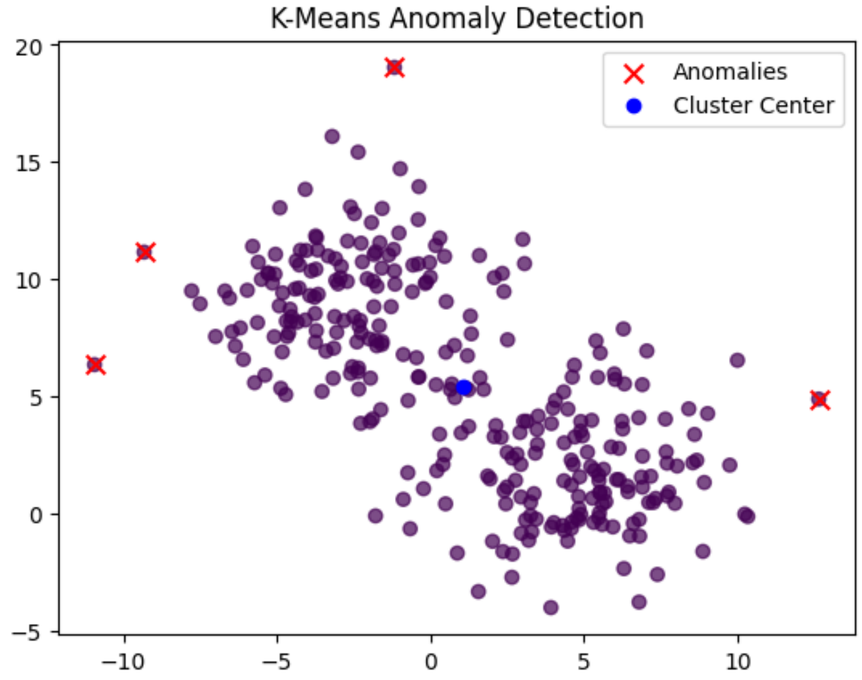
Find (resonant) overdensities in distributions
Density estimation methods
Useful for **offline analysis**

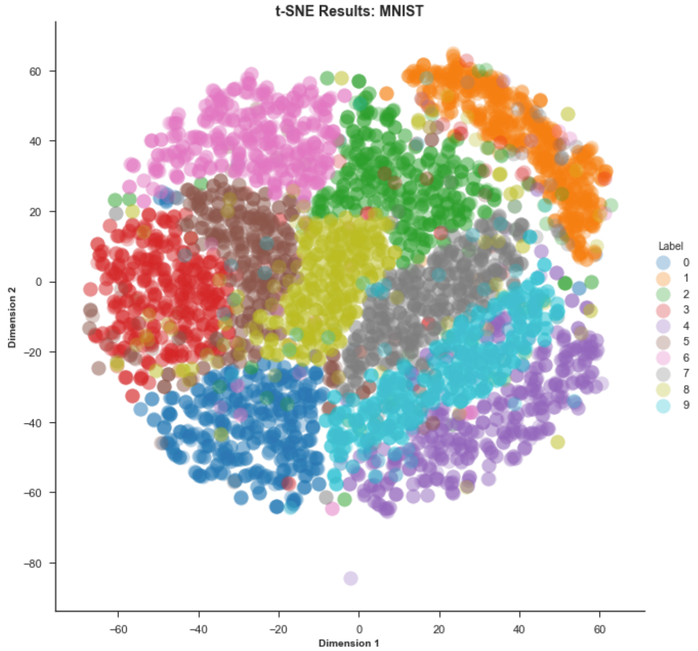


Weakly-supervised learning:
noisy labels

Unsupervised learning

- **Clustering** (K-means, hierarchical): “Summary of data” through cluster centres
- **Dimensionality reduction** (PCA, t-SNE, autoencoders): data compression



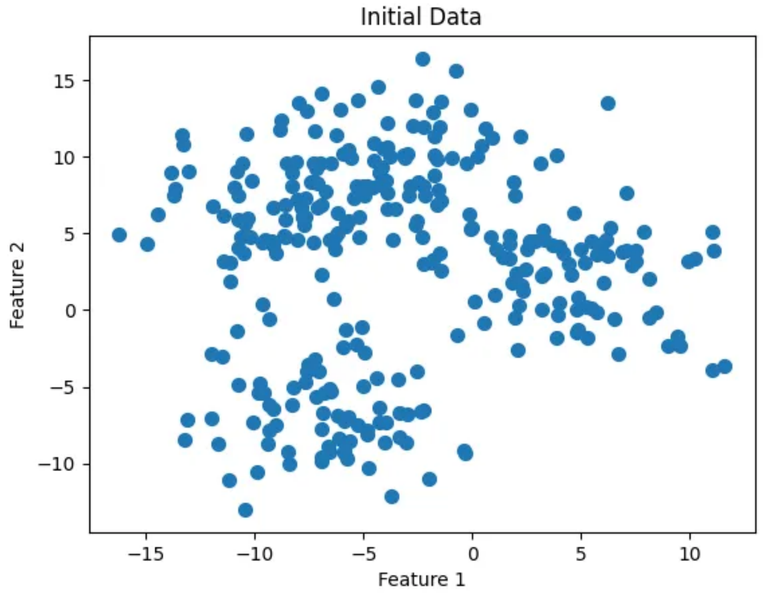


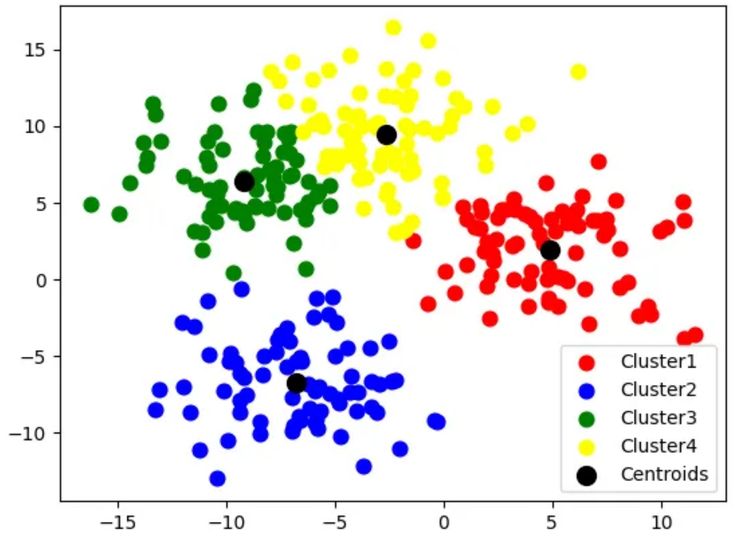
Unsupervised learning

- **Given**: unlabelled data

- **Goal**: find hidden structure/patterns
  - e.g hidden structure *is* a clustering of data
  - Generative model of data $P(x)$
  - Low dimensional summary of the data (compact preprocessing)

K-means (centroid) clustering





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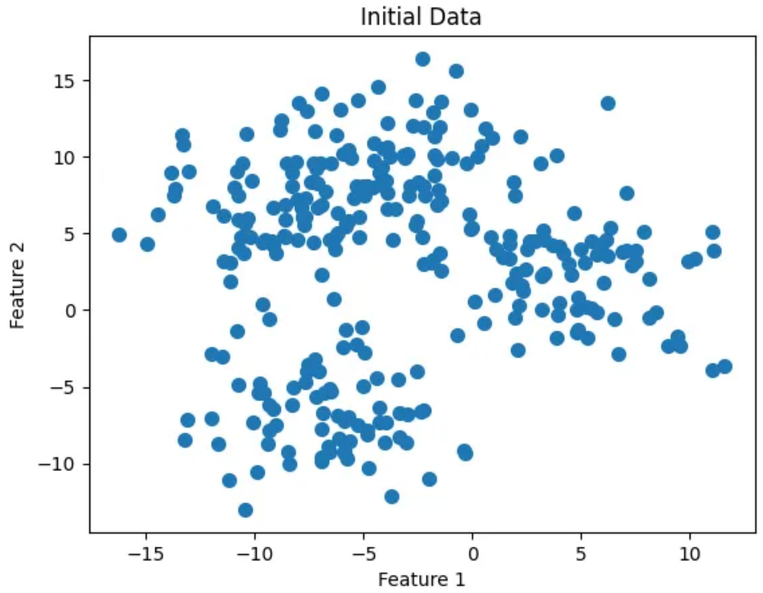

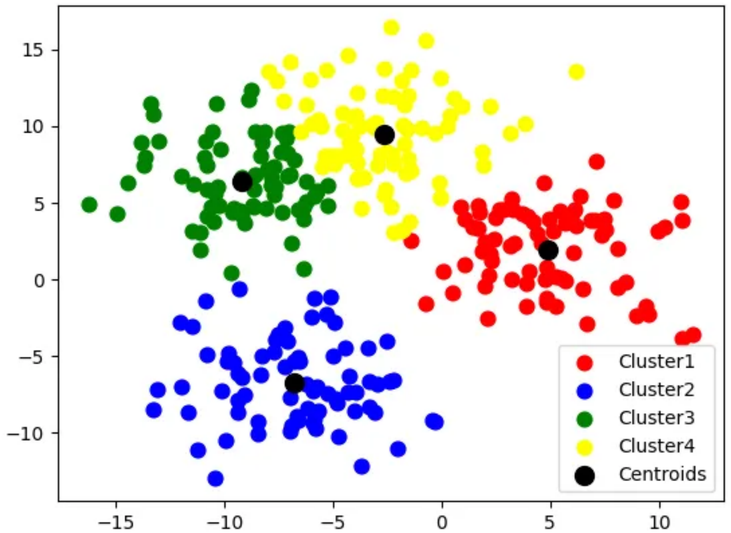

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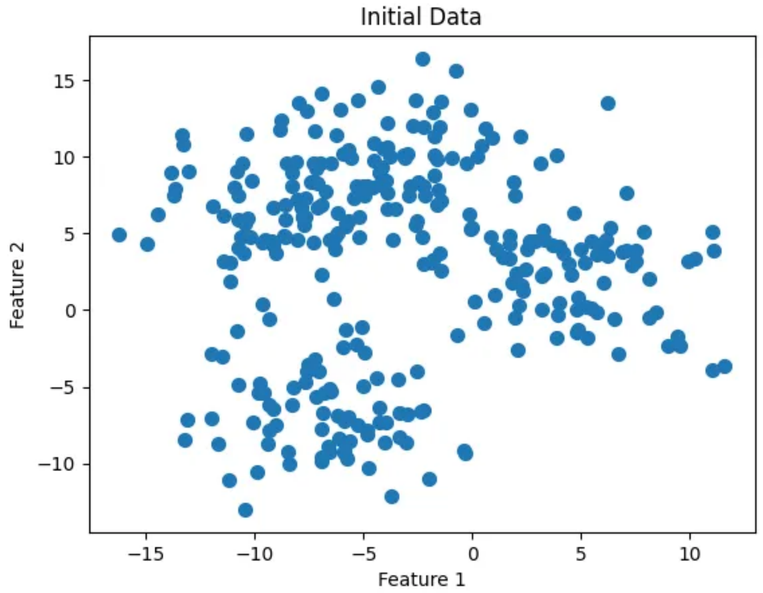

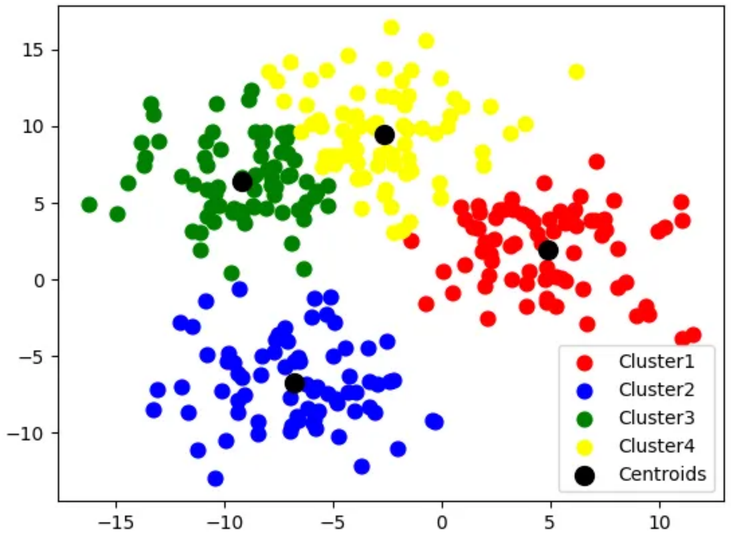

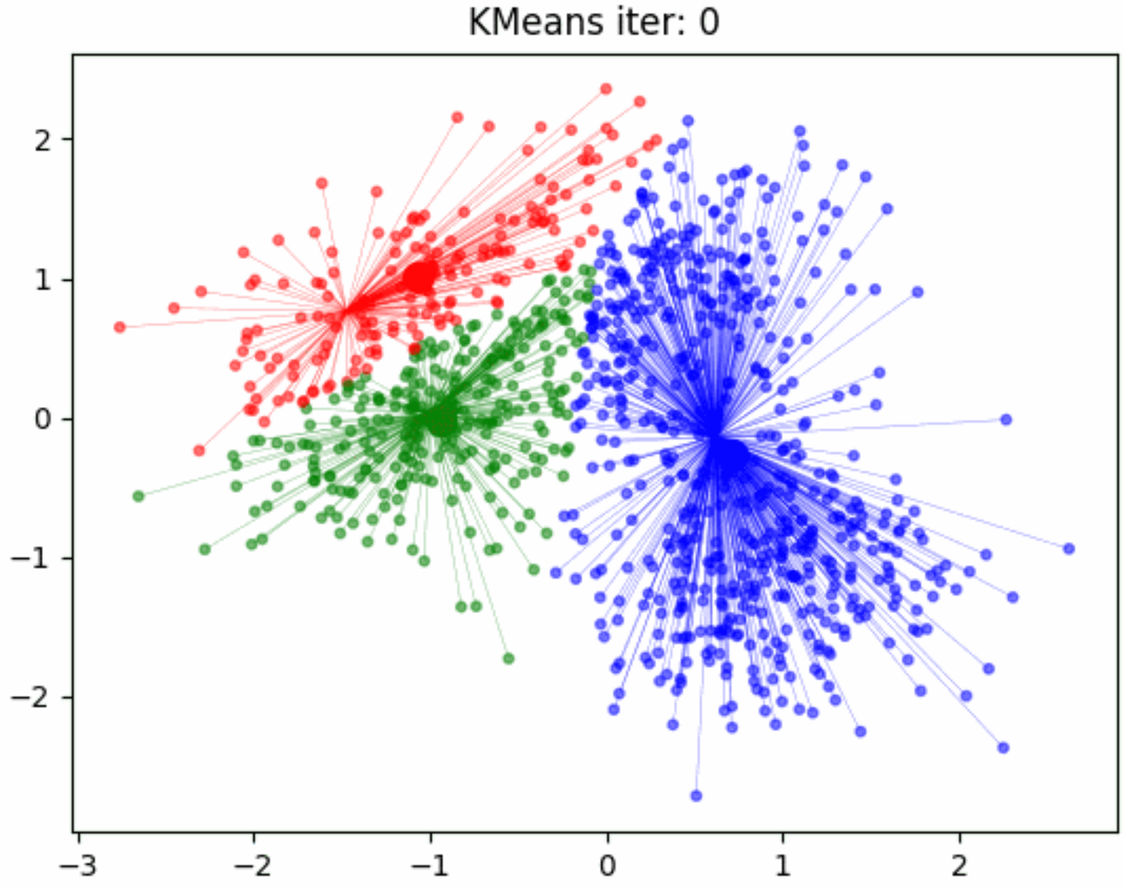

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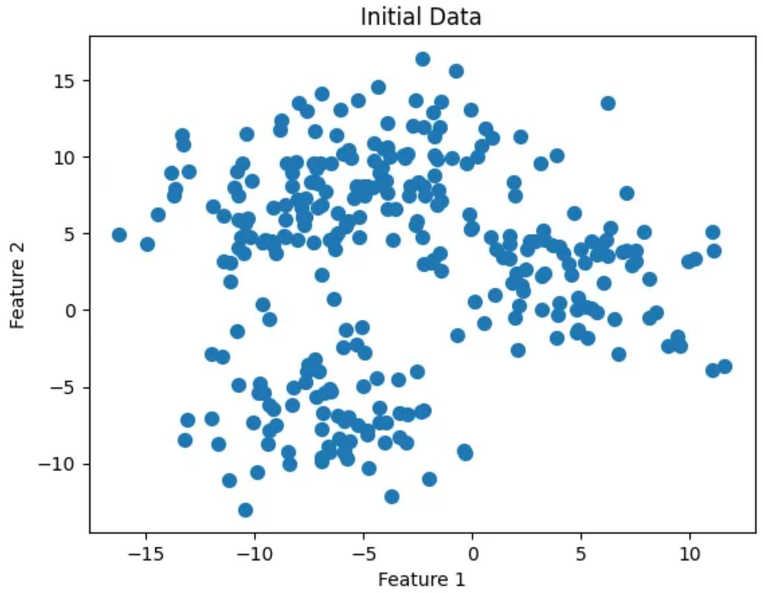

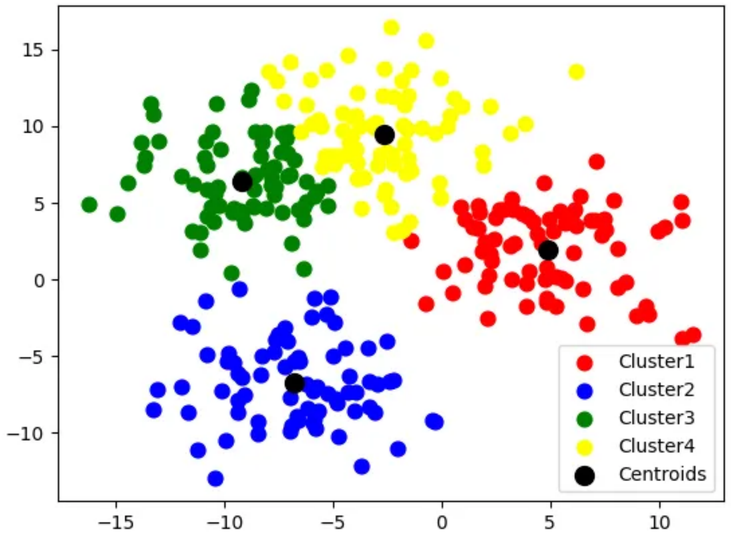

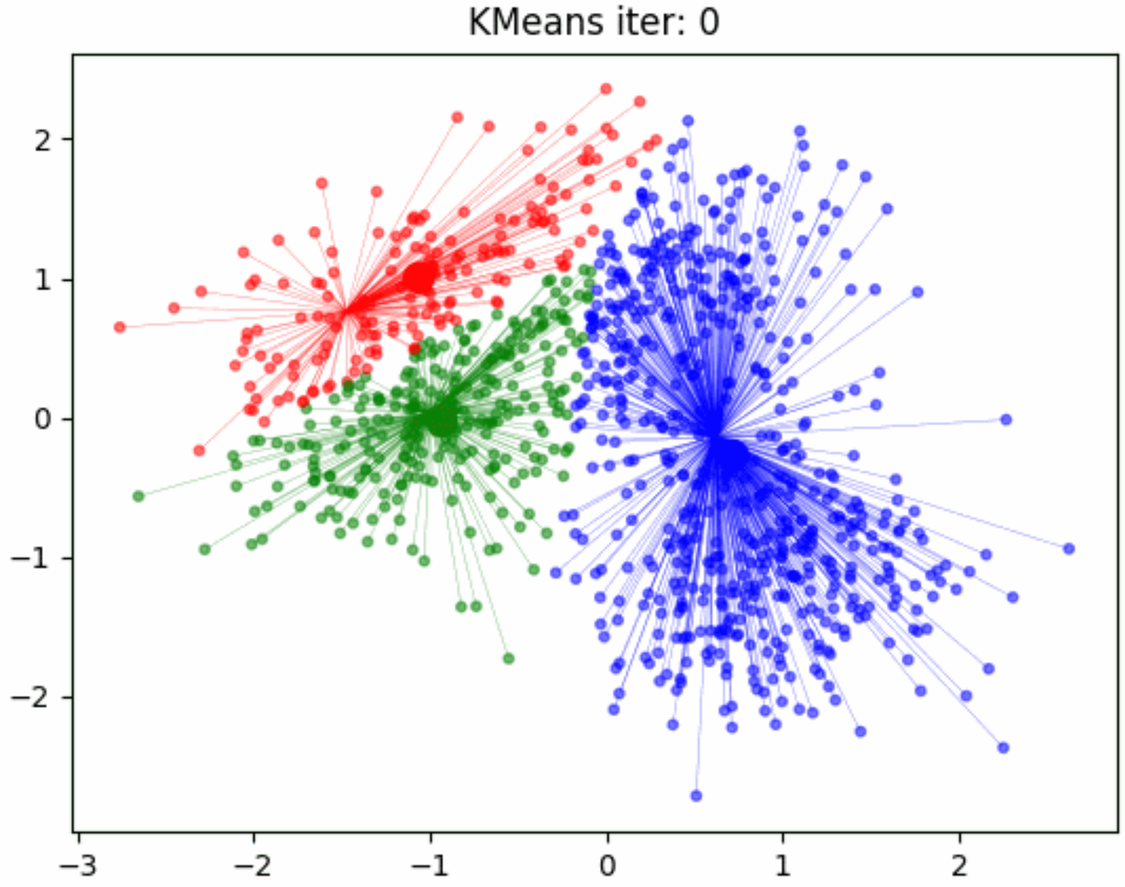

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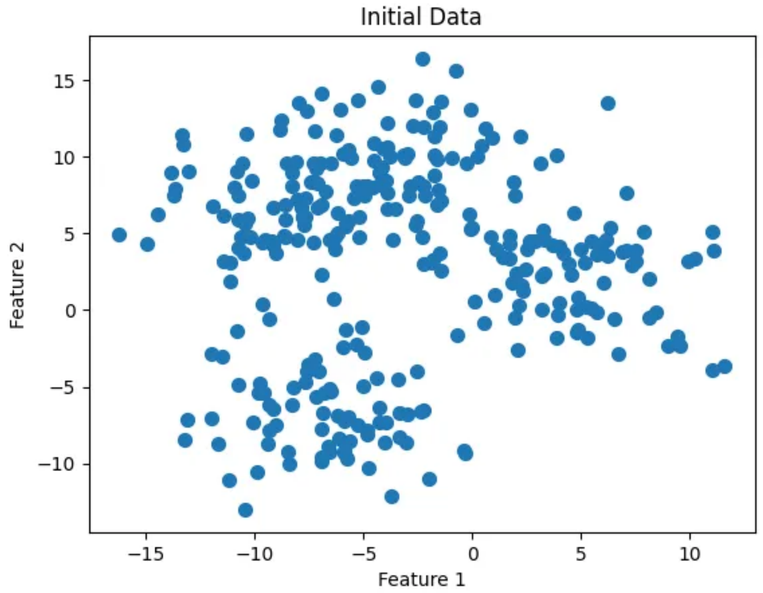

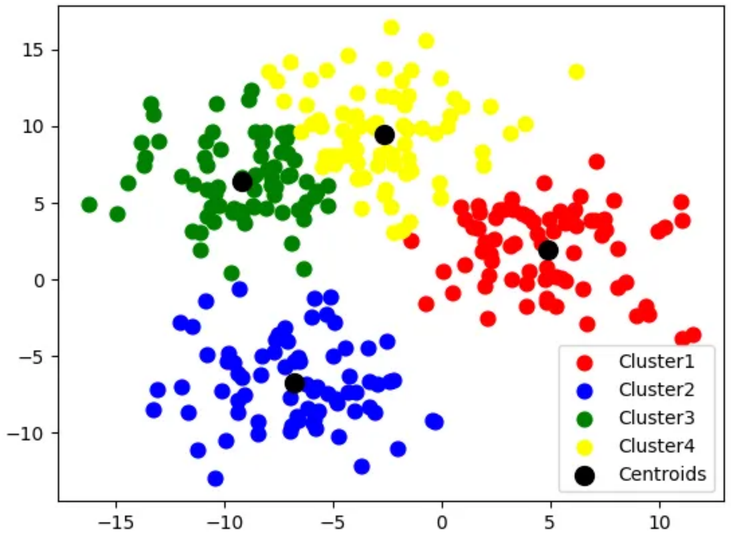

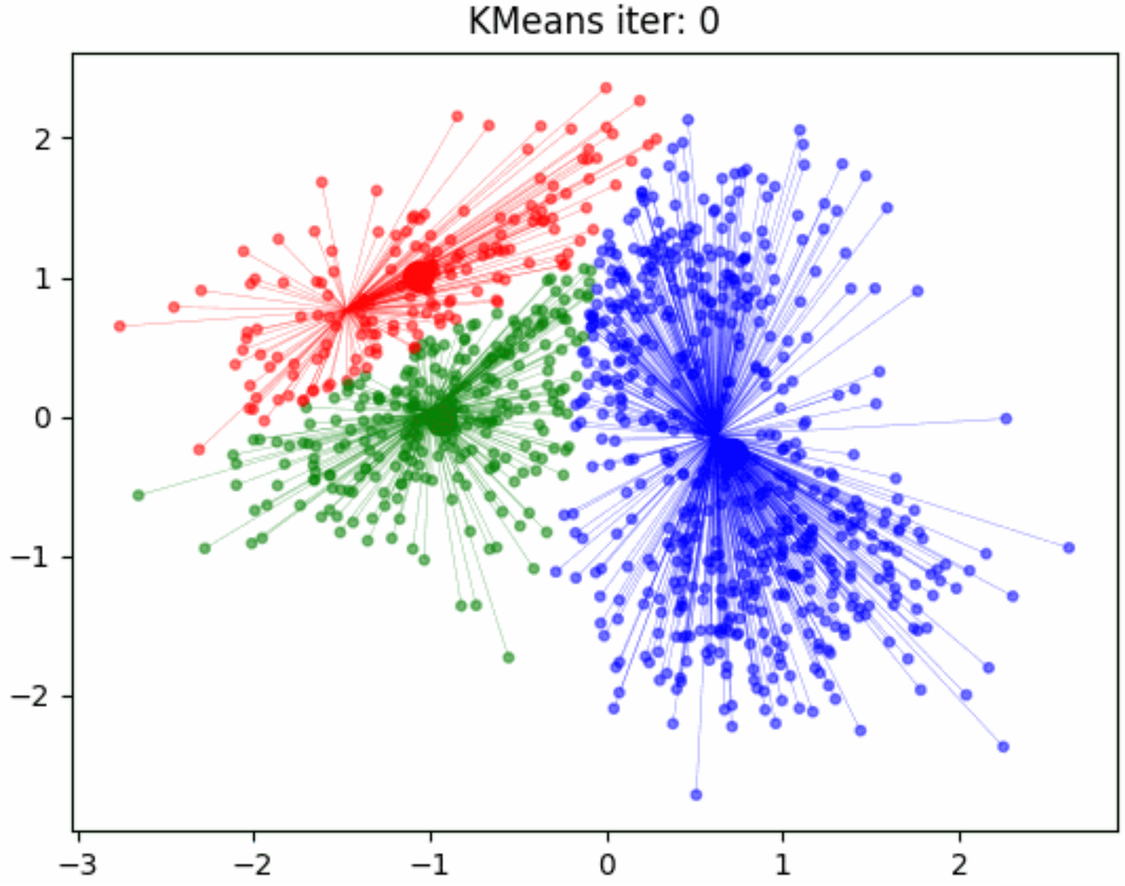

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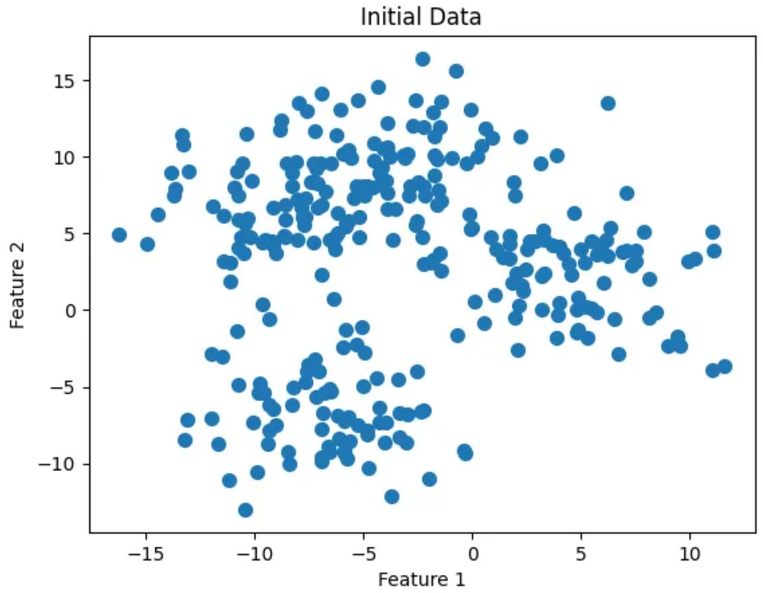

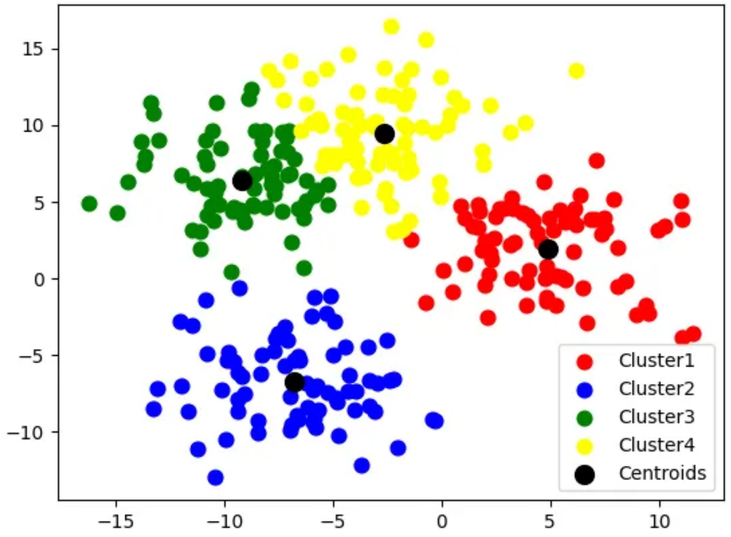

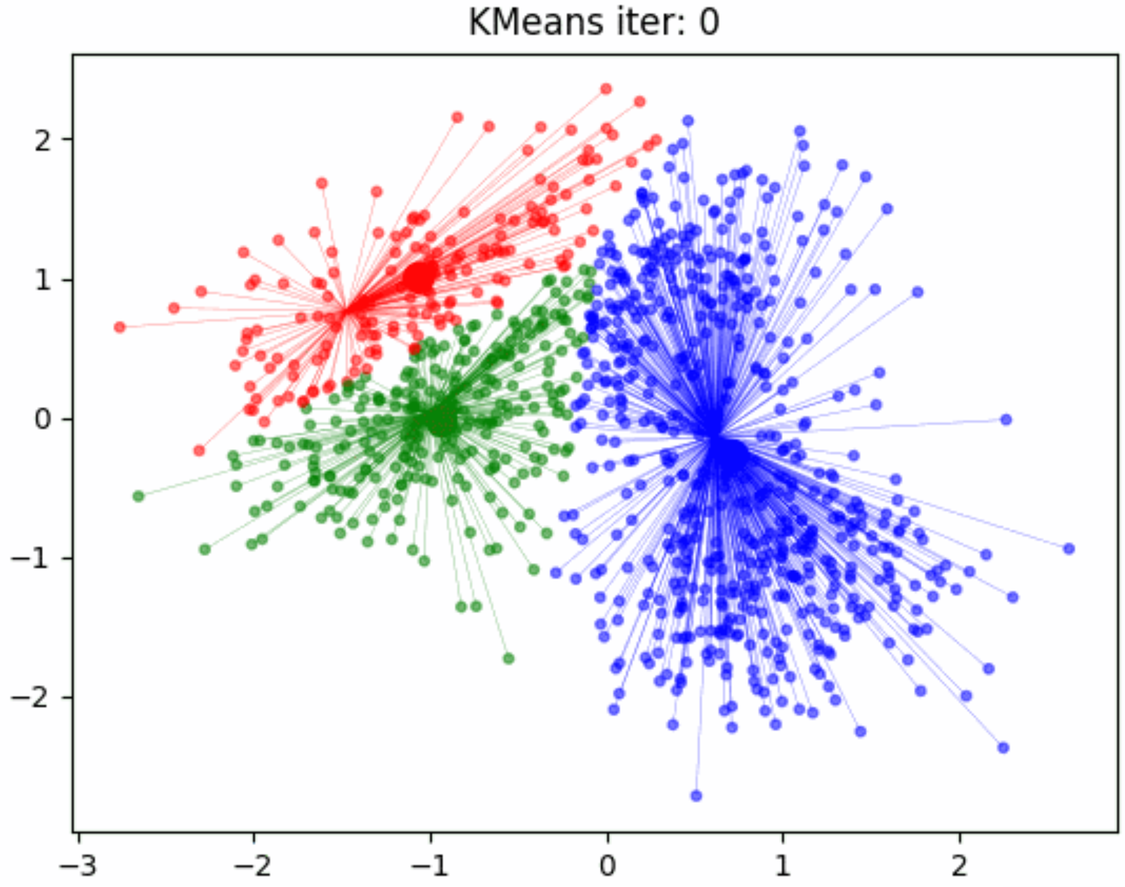

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For each pixel (256*3):
$2^8*2^8*2^8 = 2^{24} = 17M$

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Use k-means to reduce to 16 colours
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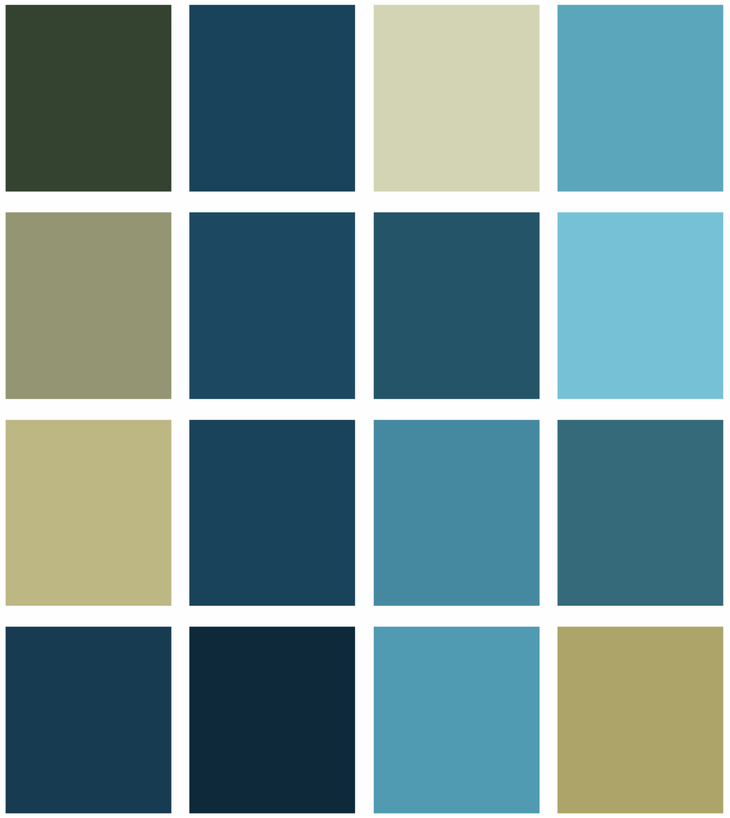
Centroids



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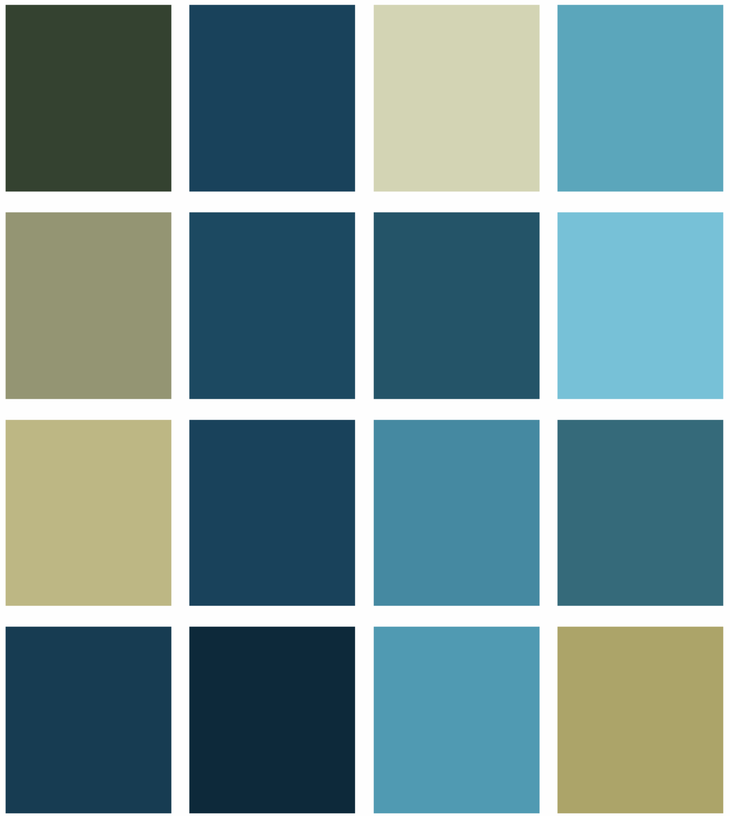
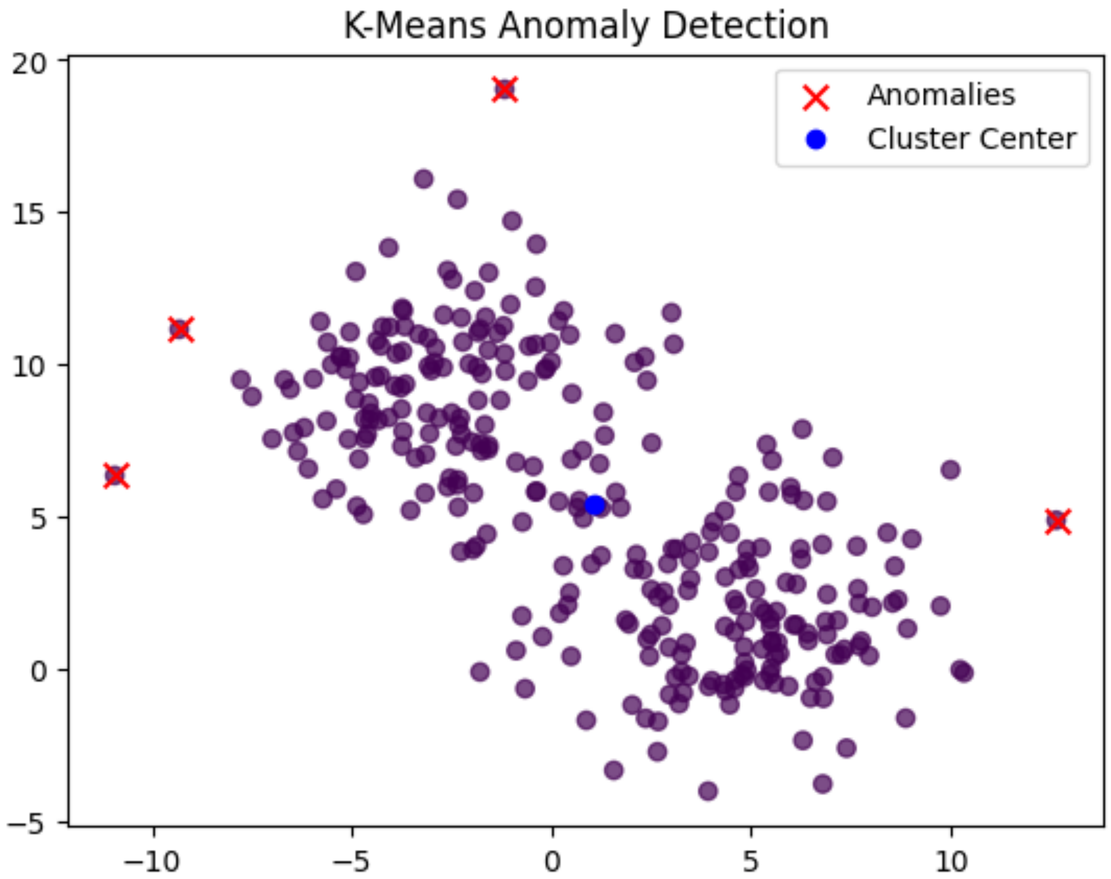


Iteration 1

Compressed Image

Example: Anomaly Detection in Network Traffic with K-means clustering



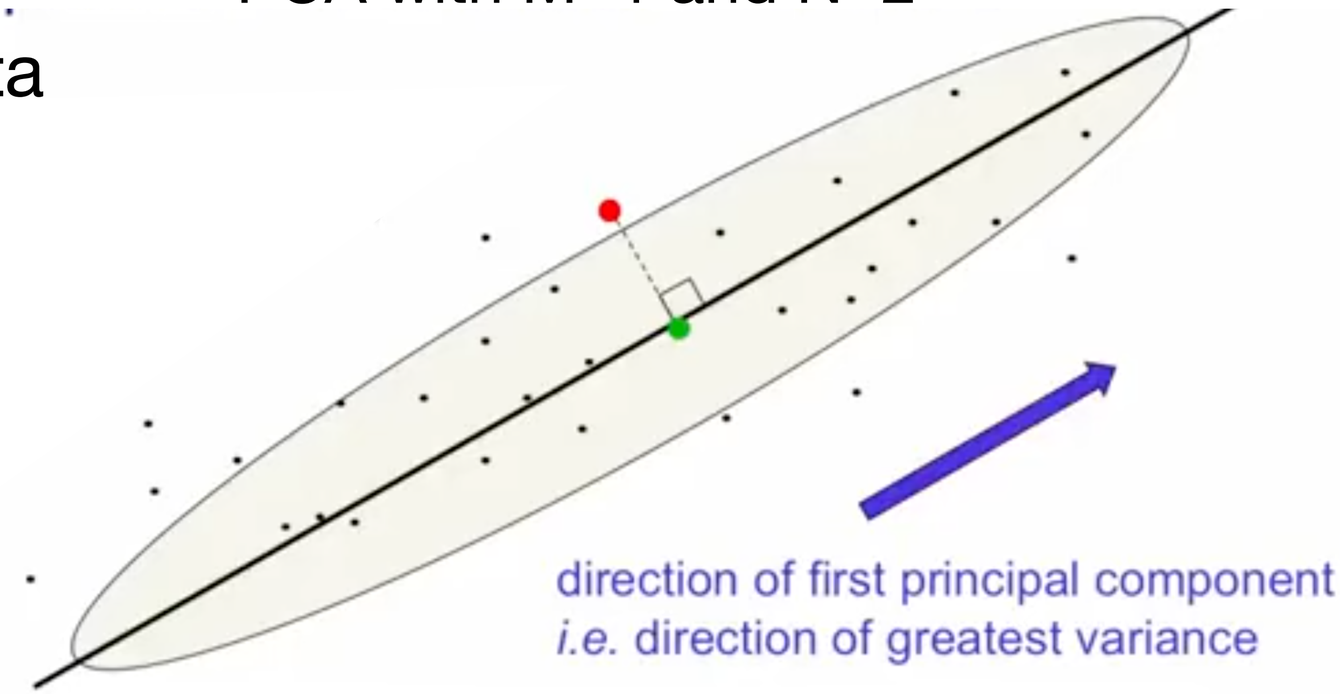
- k-means: summarize via clustering (cluster centers)

PCA (and connection to autoencoders)

PCA: For N-D data, find M orthogonal directions in which data has most variance

N-D datapoint represented by its projections onto M principal directions

PCA with M=1 and N=2



- PCA: summarize via orthogonal projections

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PCA (and connection to autoencoders)

To reconstruct original data from M:
use mean value for all M-N
directions that are not represented.

Reconstruction error

$$J(\mathbf{x}, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} |\mathbf{x}_n - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n|^2$$

Minimise our loss by choosing to
ignore direction with least variance!

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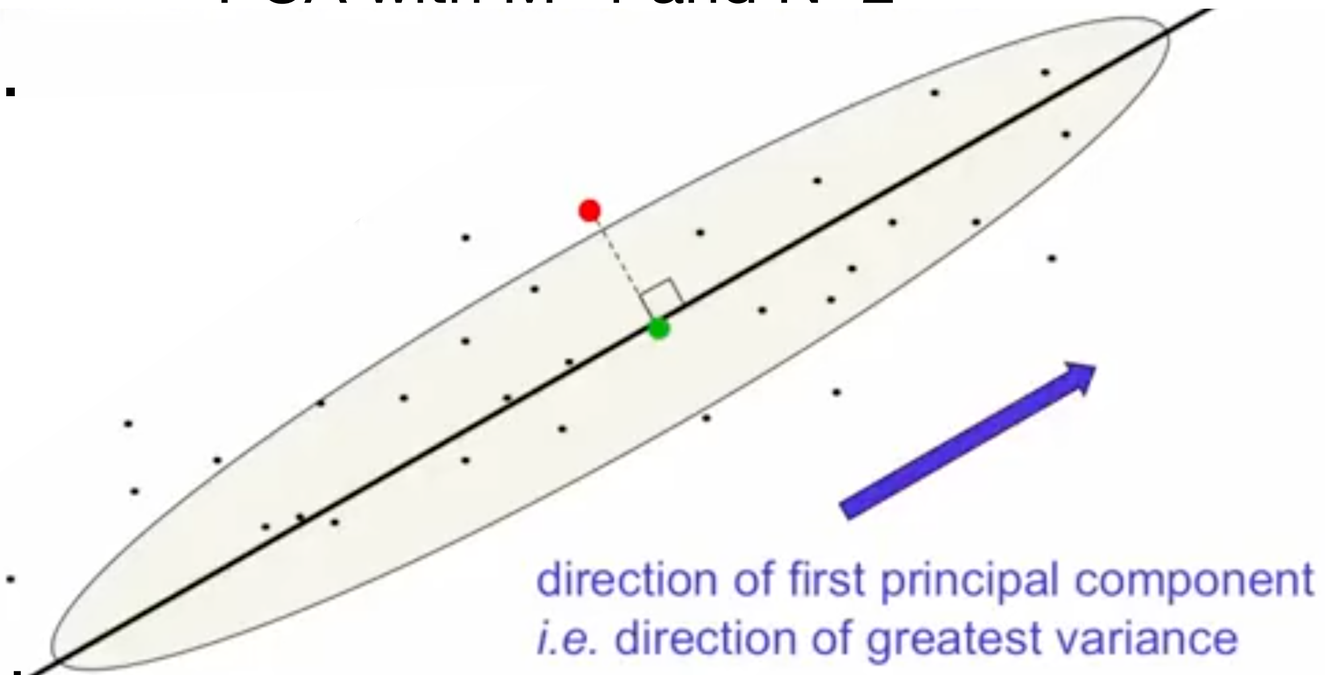

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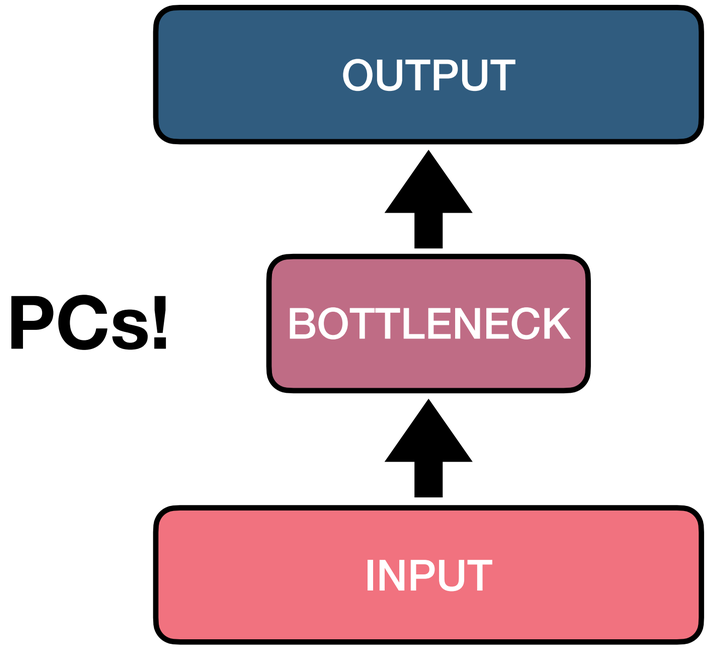
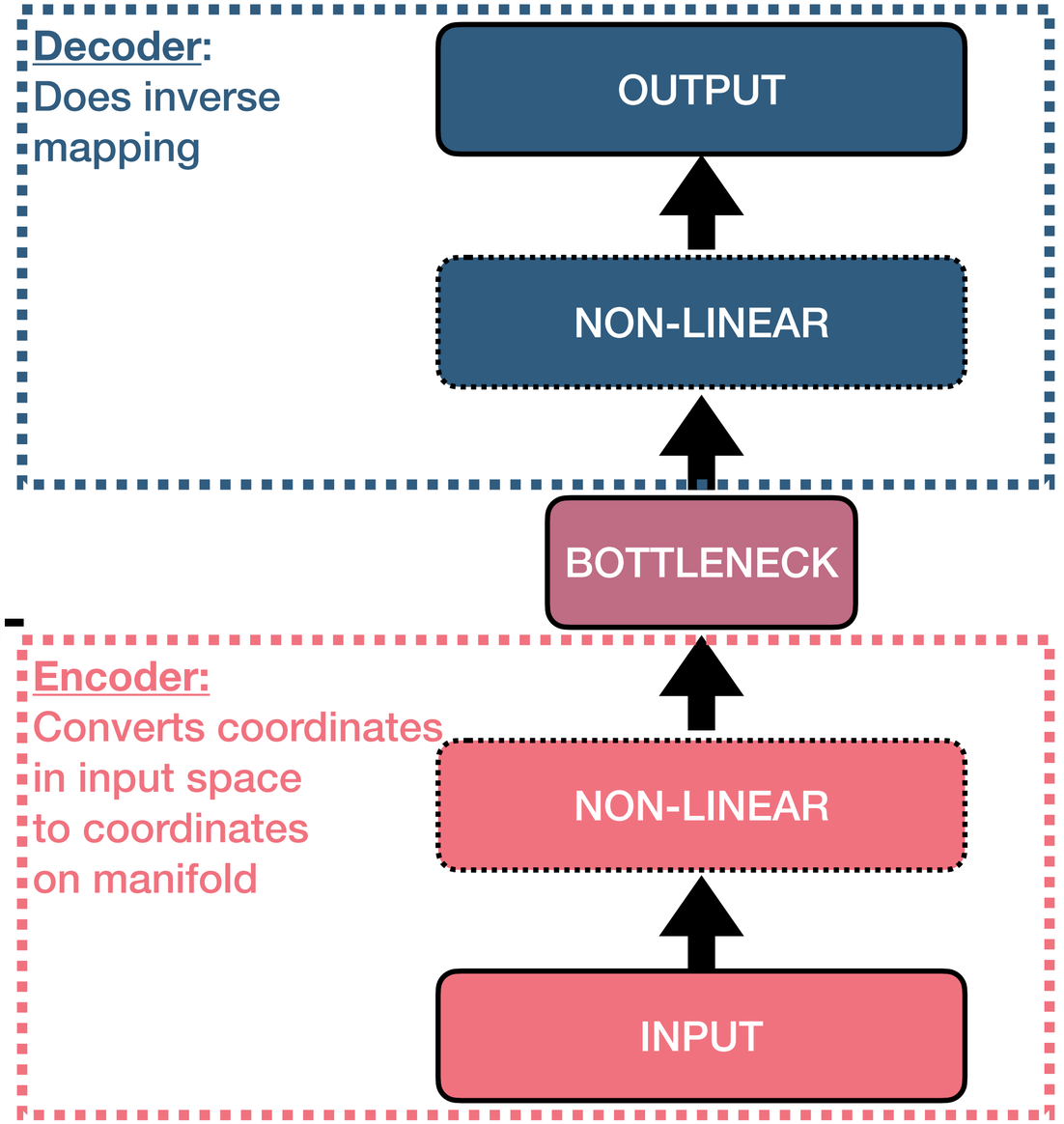
PCA with a neural network

- **Try to make output same as input in network with a bottleneck!**
- **Exactly what PCA does!**
- **M hidden units will span same space as first M components found by PCA (not same "weights", slightly rotation/skewing of axes)**
  - Weight vectors might not be orthogonal
  - Tend to have equal variance
  - But space spanned, is exactly same!
- **SGD way less efficient, why do it with NNs?**



Autoencoders vs. PCA?

- **With non-linear layers before and after bottleneck, possible to efficiently represent data that lies on near/non-linear manifold!**
  - **Much more general (from linear to non-linear function of input!)**
  - **Supervised learning algorithm, doing unsupervised learning!**



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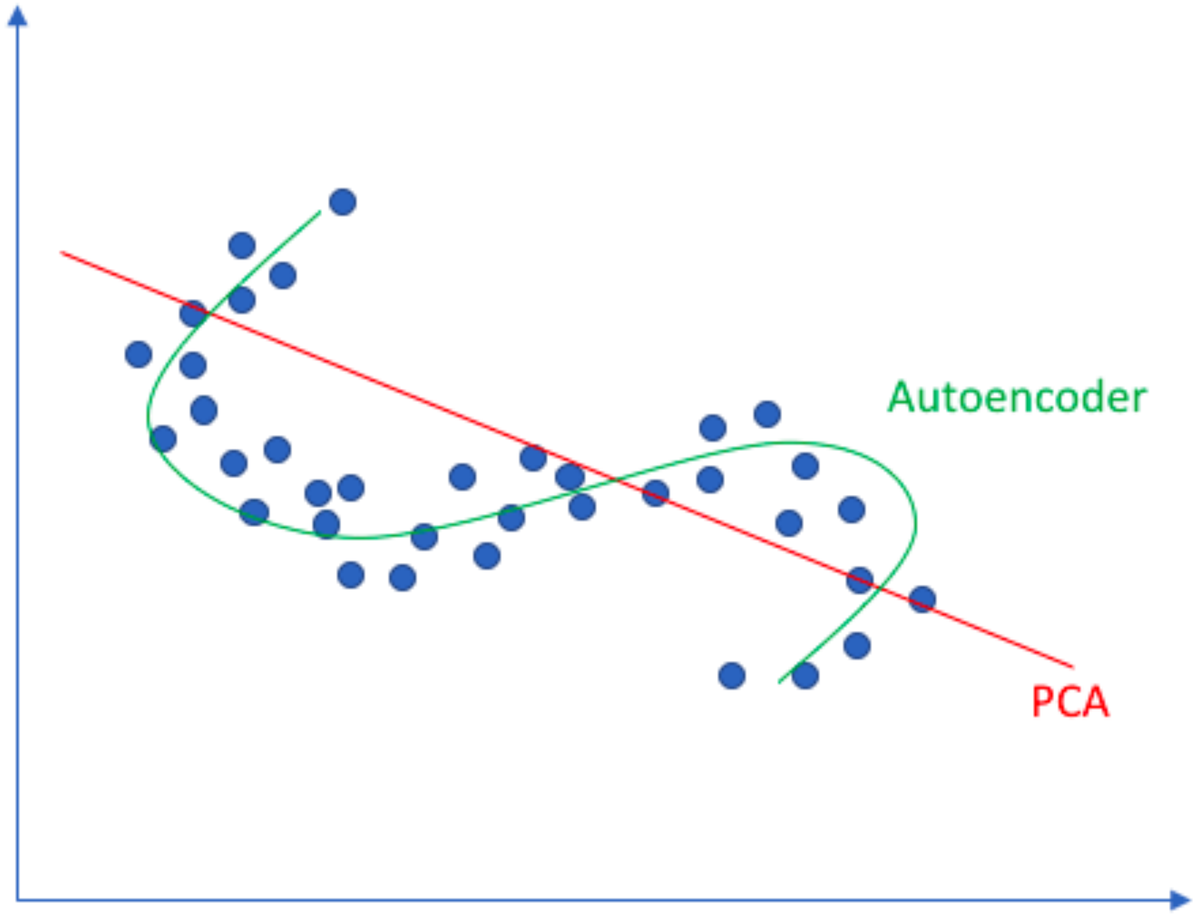

Linear vs non-linear dimensionality reduction

```
m = Sequential()
m.add(Dense(1000, activation='relu',
            input_shape=(784,)))
m.add(Dense(500, activation='relu'))
m.add(Dense(250, activation='relu'))
m.add(Dense(32, activation='relu'))
m.add(Dense(2, activation='linear',
            name="bottleneck"))
m.add(Dense(32, activation='relu'))
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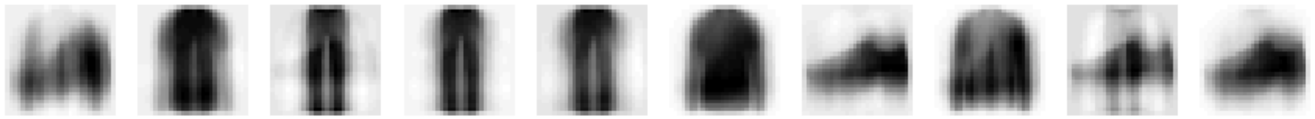
Original

Autoencoder

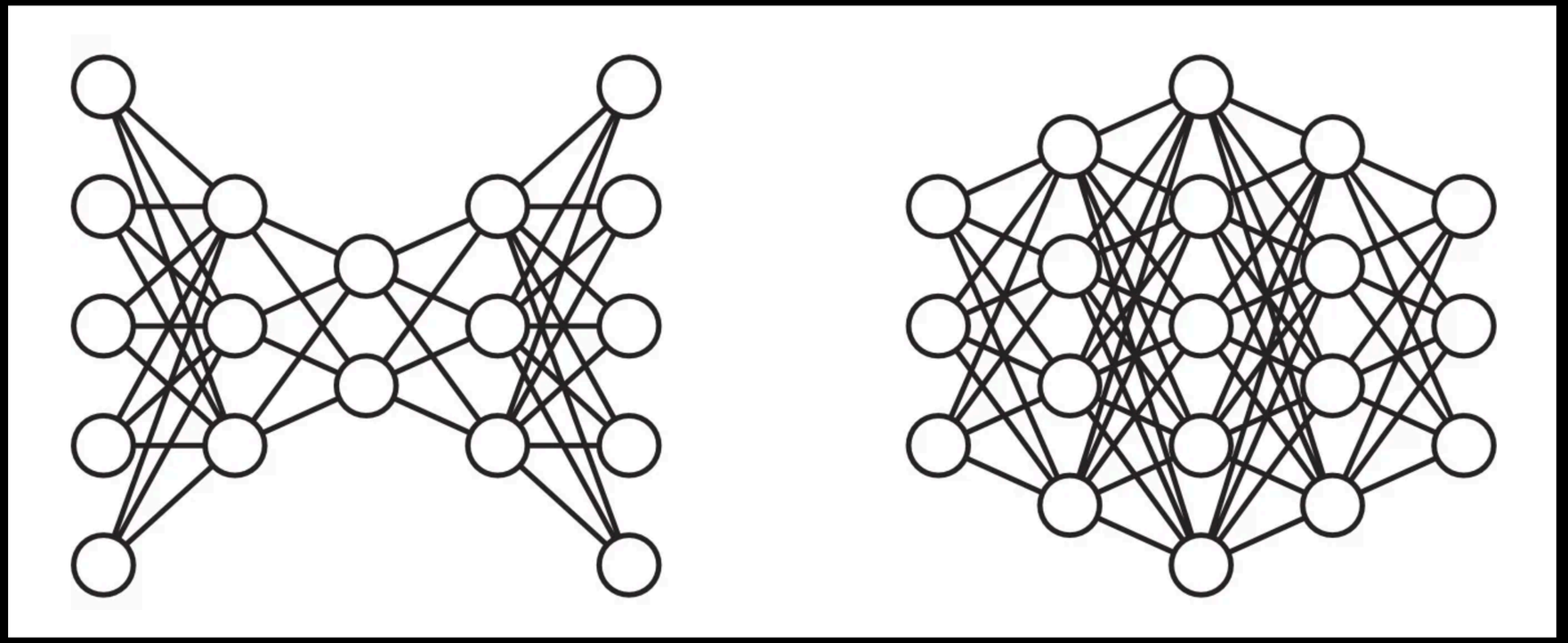
PCA



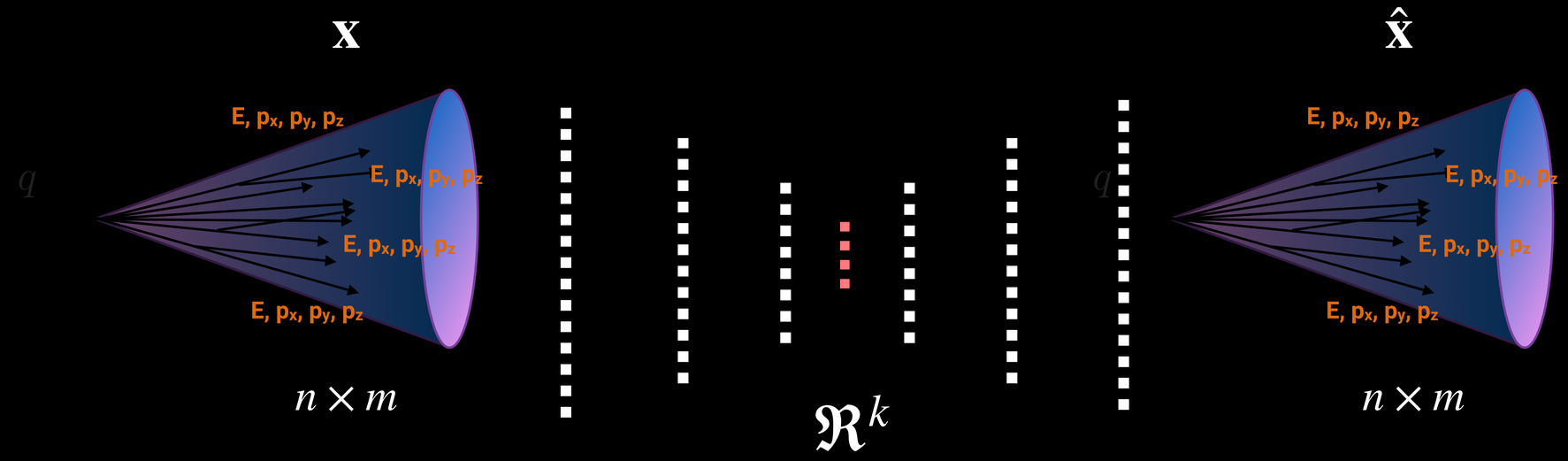
Under-complete verus over-complete?

Autoencoders usually undercomplete (bottleneck that has compression)

Overcomplete also possible, typically with some reguarlization (such as L1 or sparsity conditions)



Outlier detection



Compressed representation of x.
Latent space $\Re^k$, k < m×n
prevents memorisation of input, must learn

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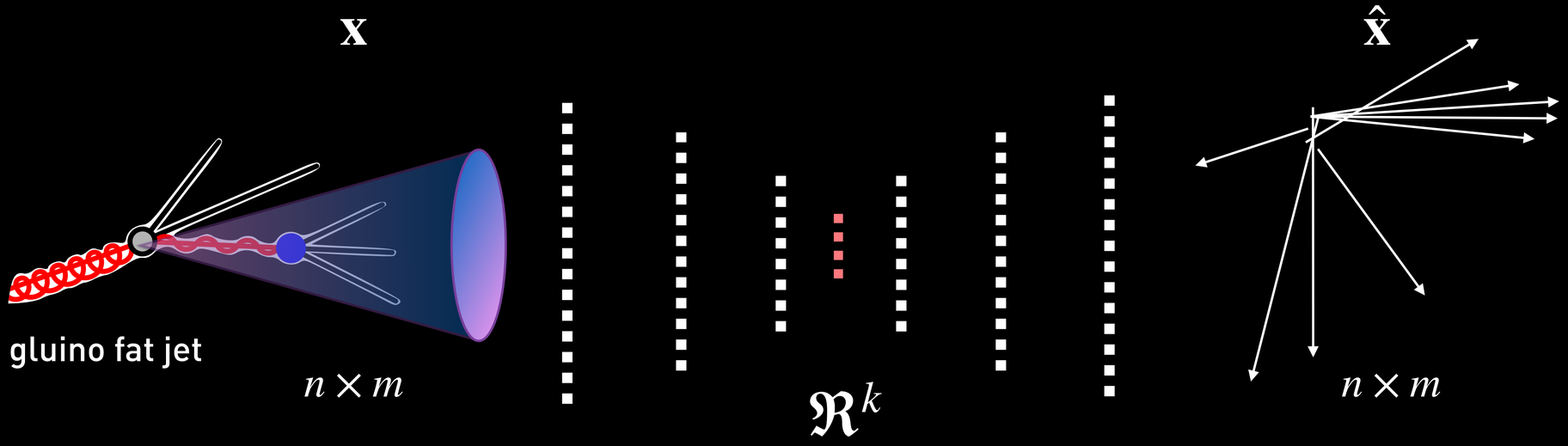
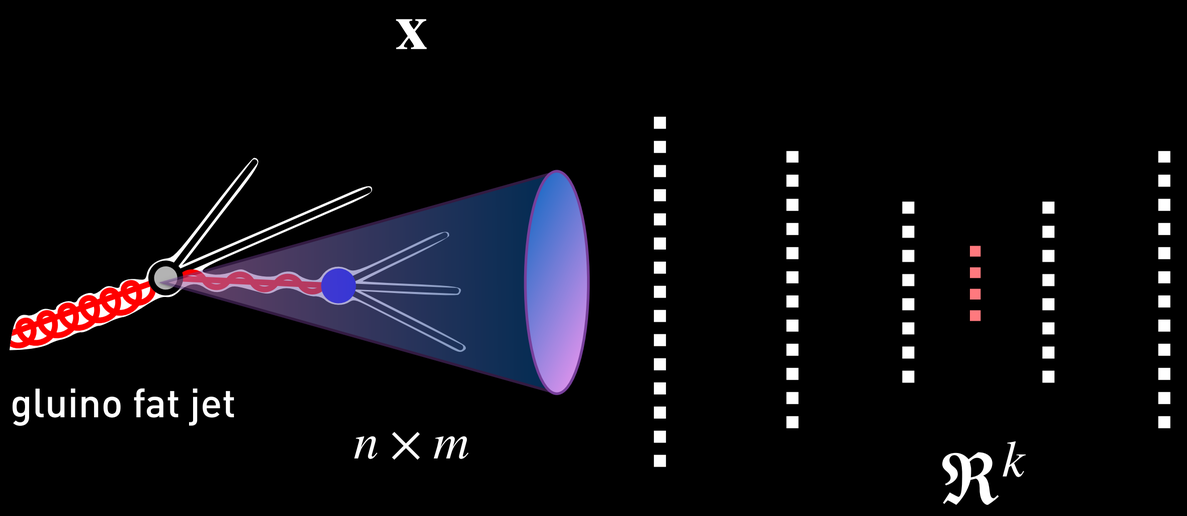
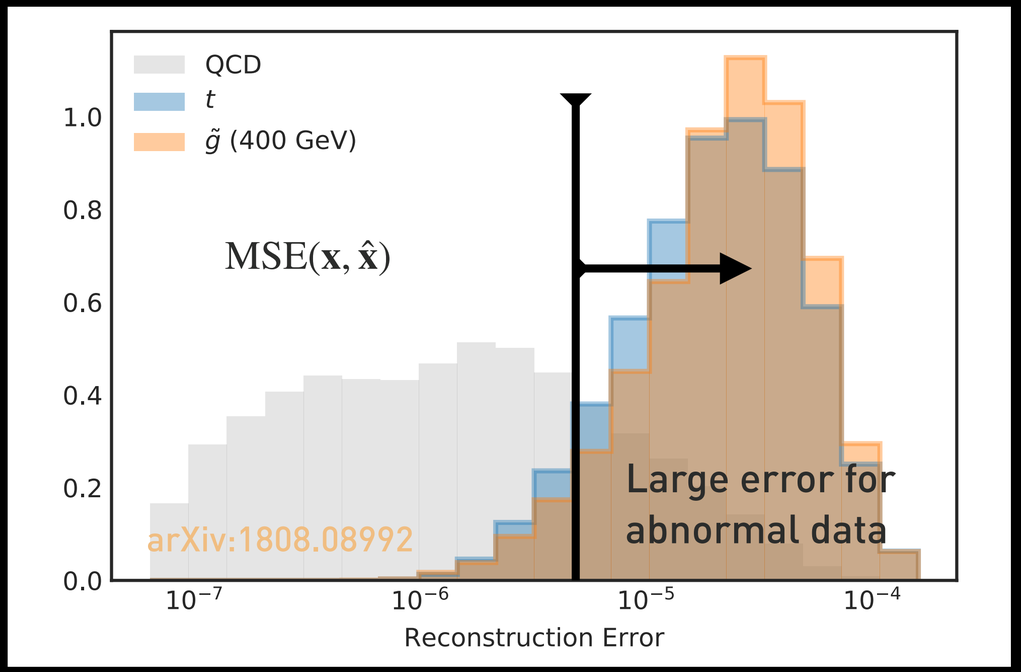


$\mathscr{L}(\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}})$ **is Mean Squared Error**$(\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}})$**, "high error events" proxy for "degree of abnormality"**

Outlier detection





Outlier detection in analysis

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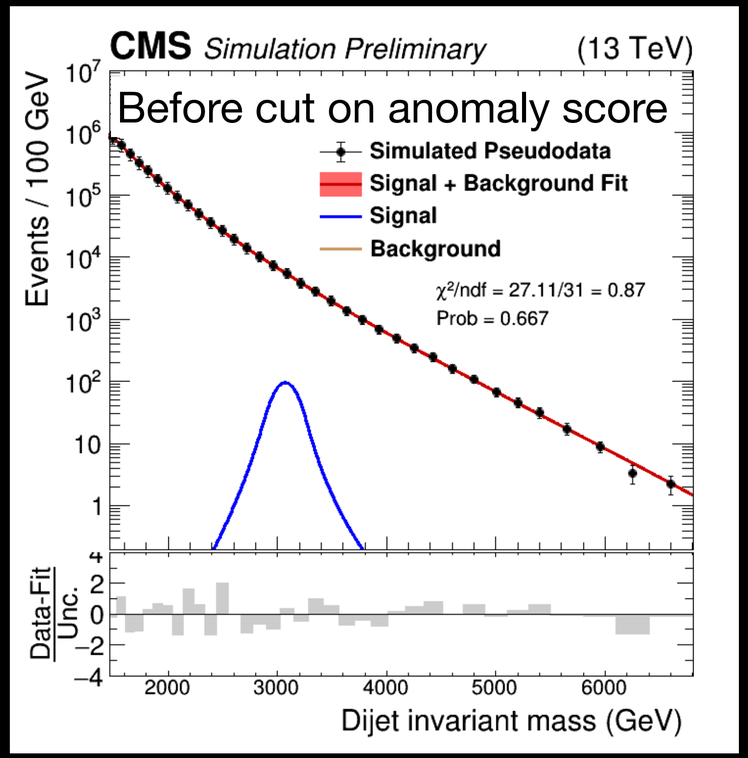

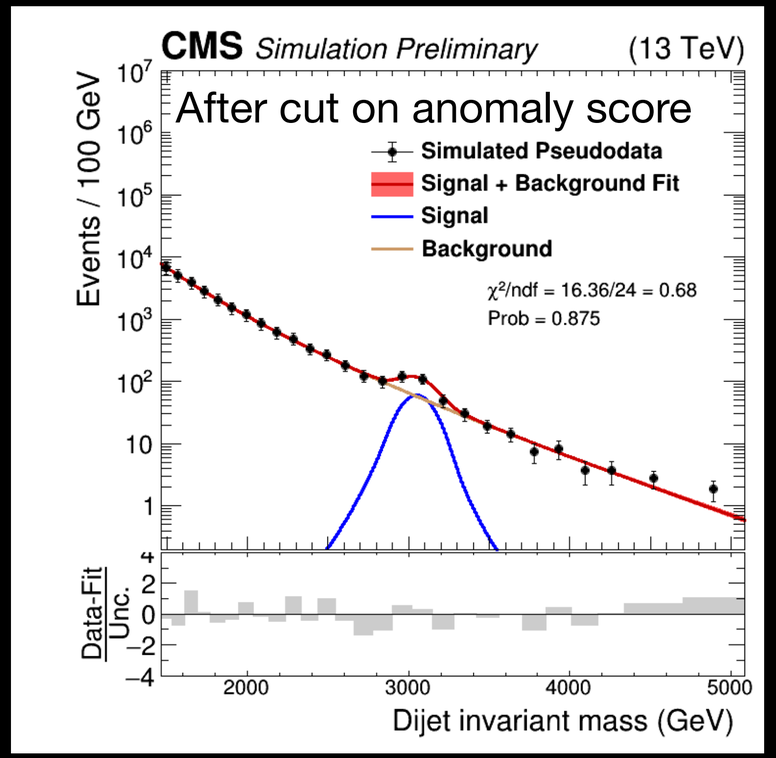

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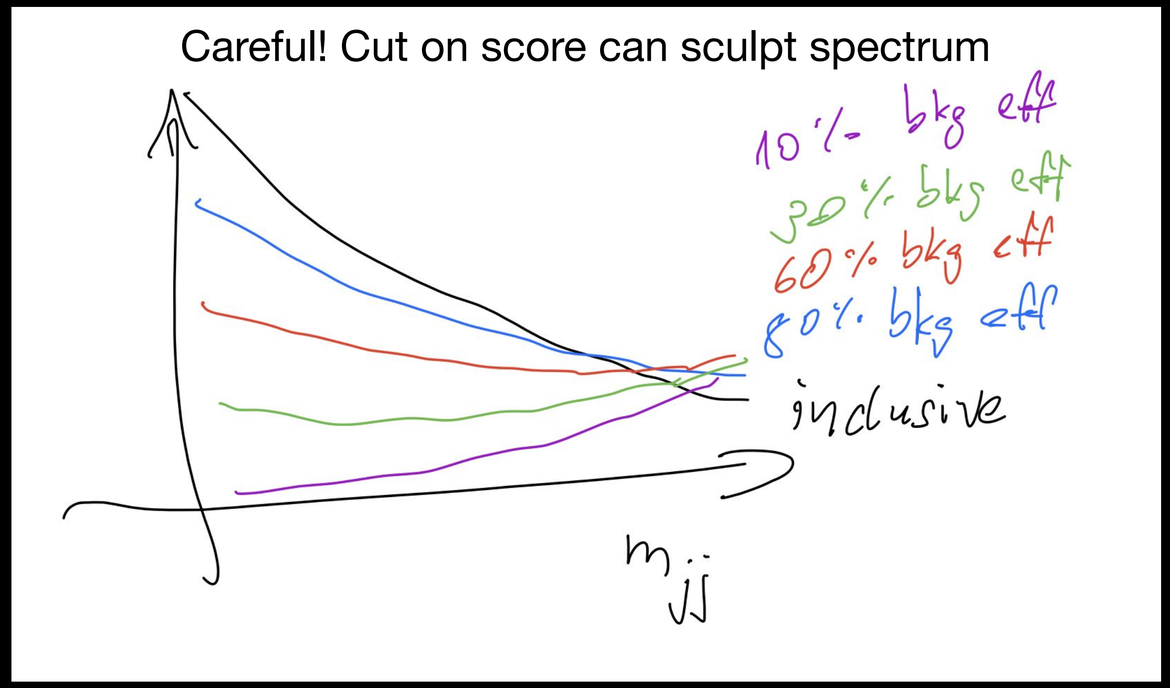

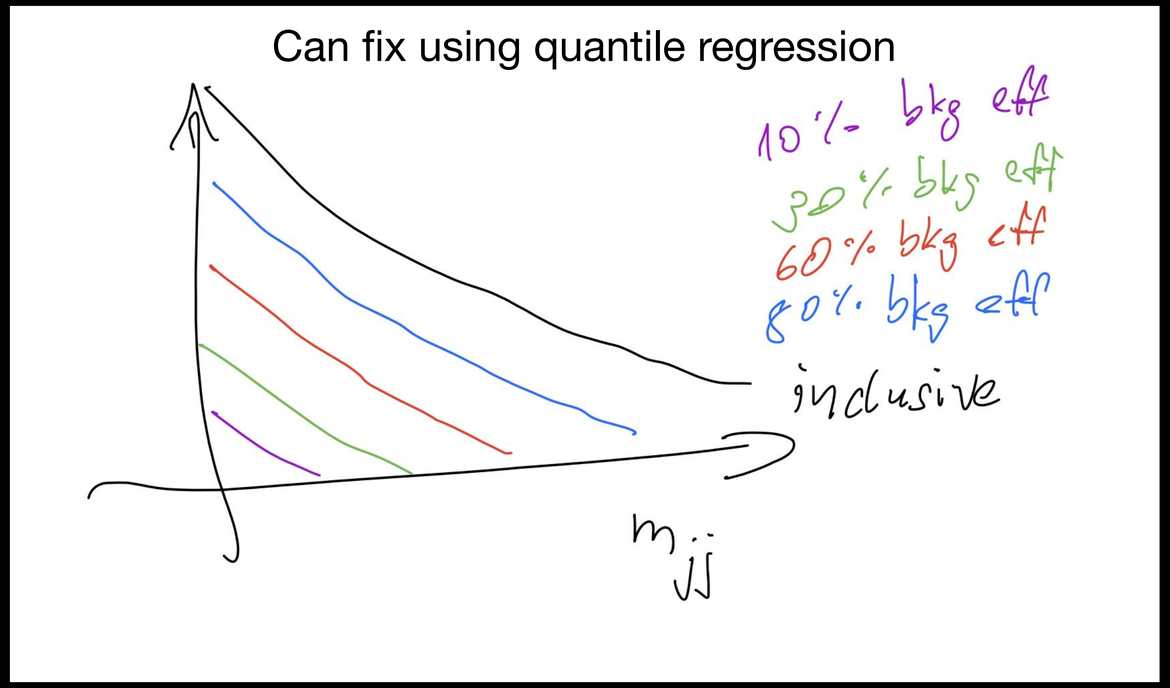

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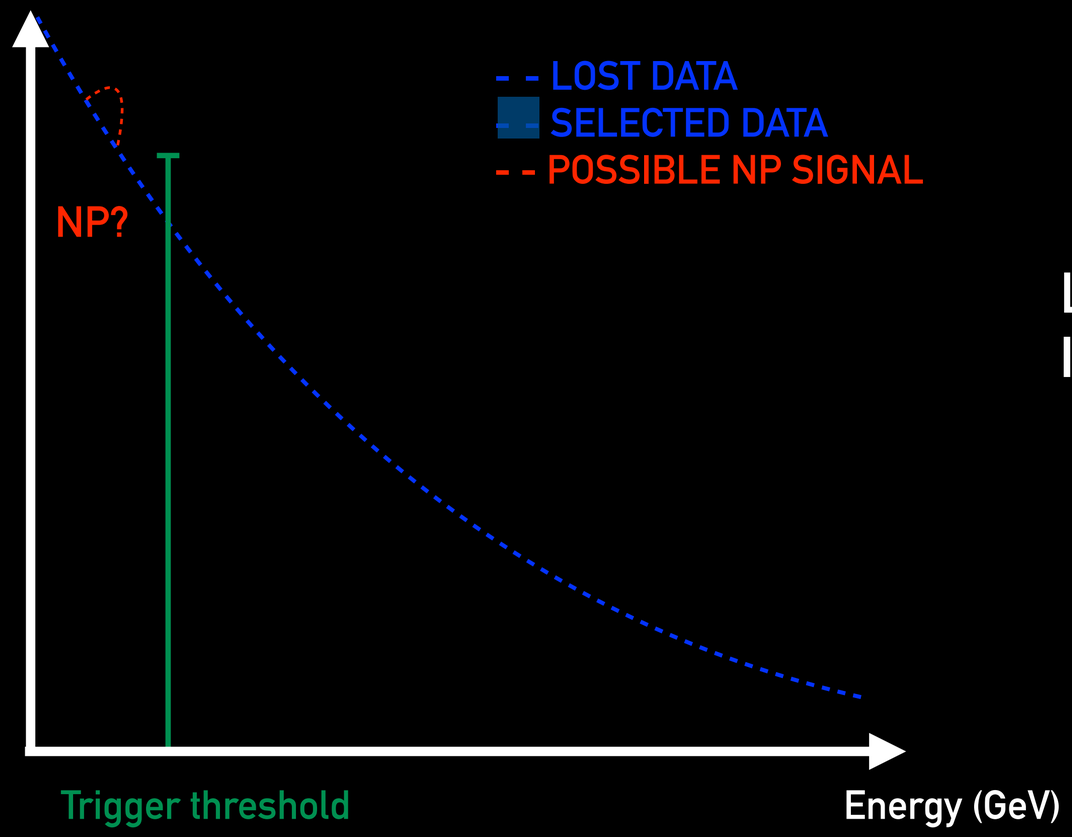
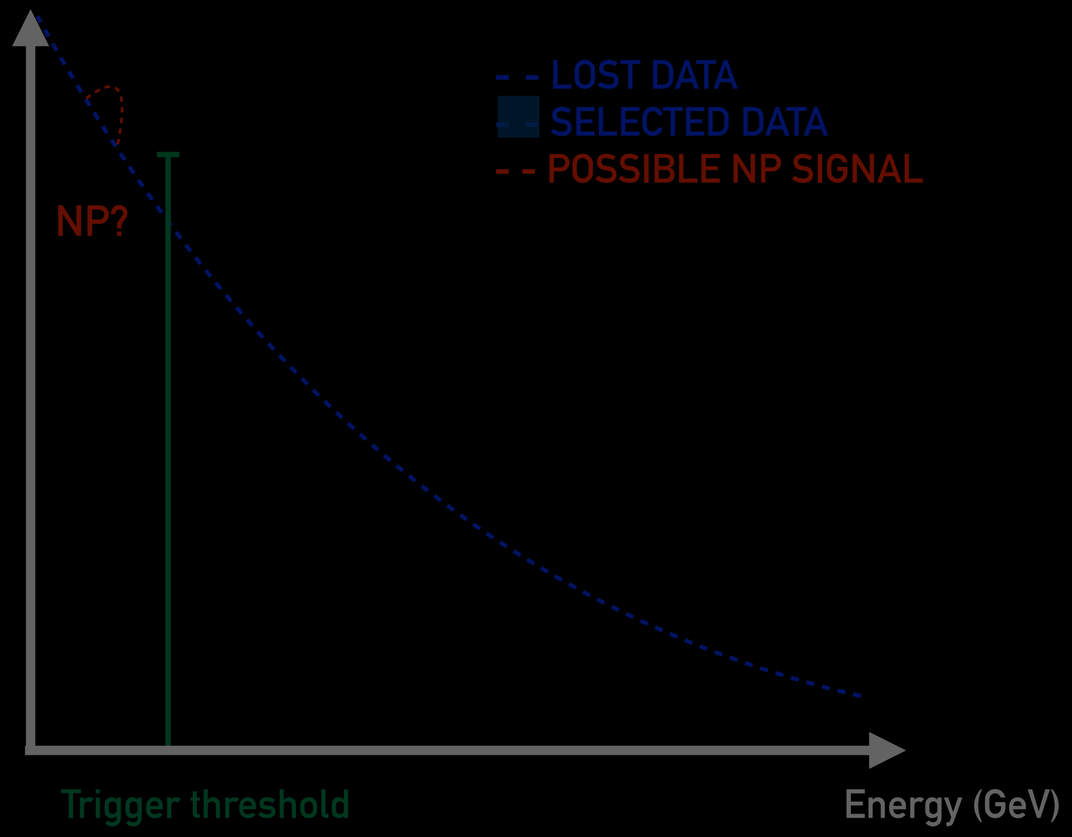
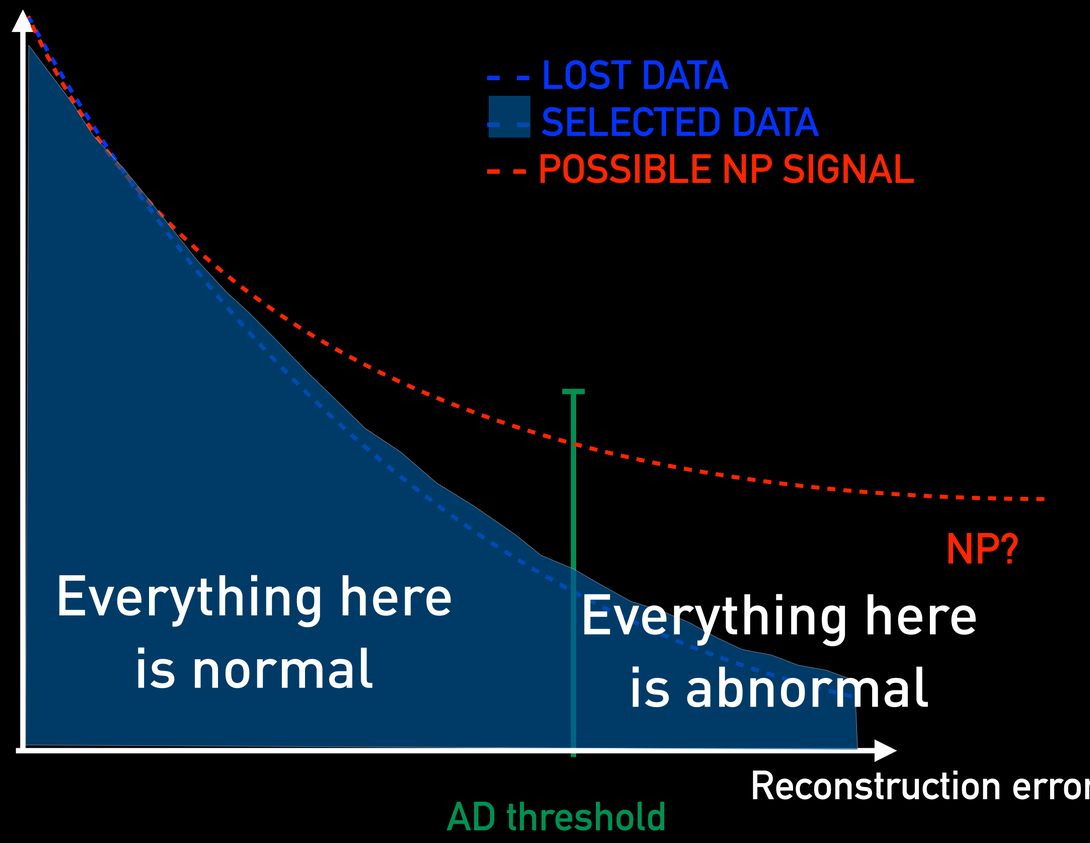


LHC “triggers” >99% of events (next lecture)!
Is there a smarter way to select?

Anomaly Detection triggers





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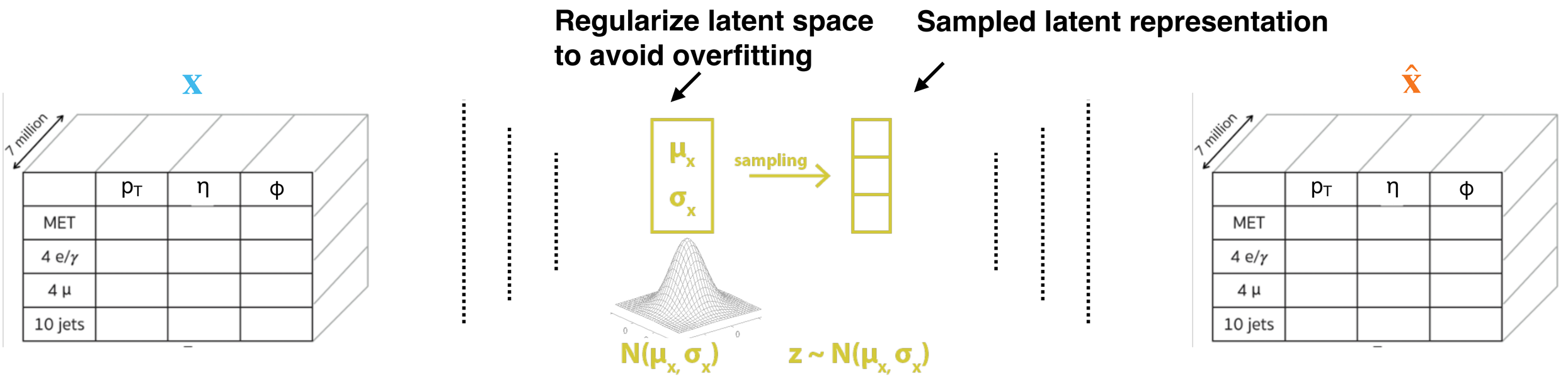

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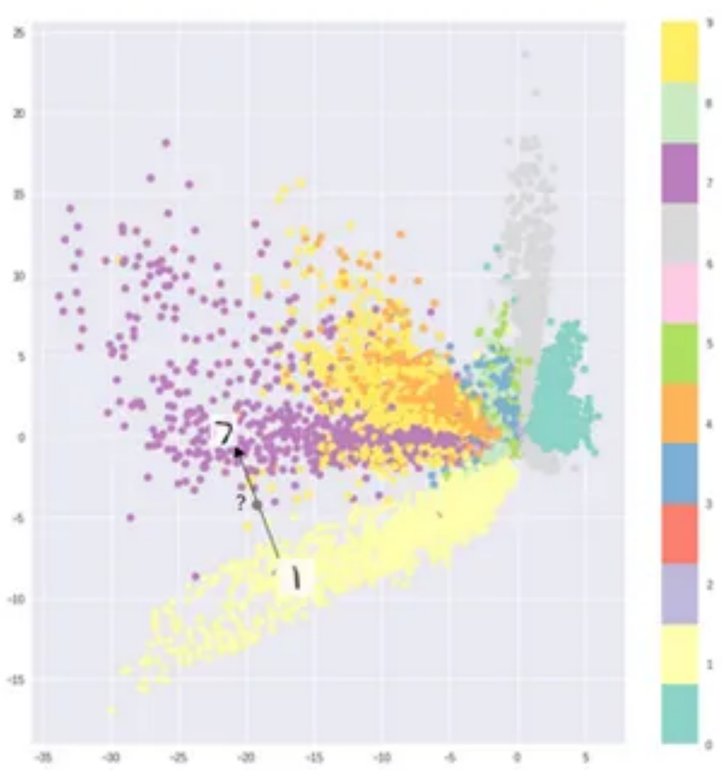
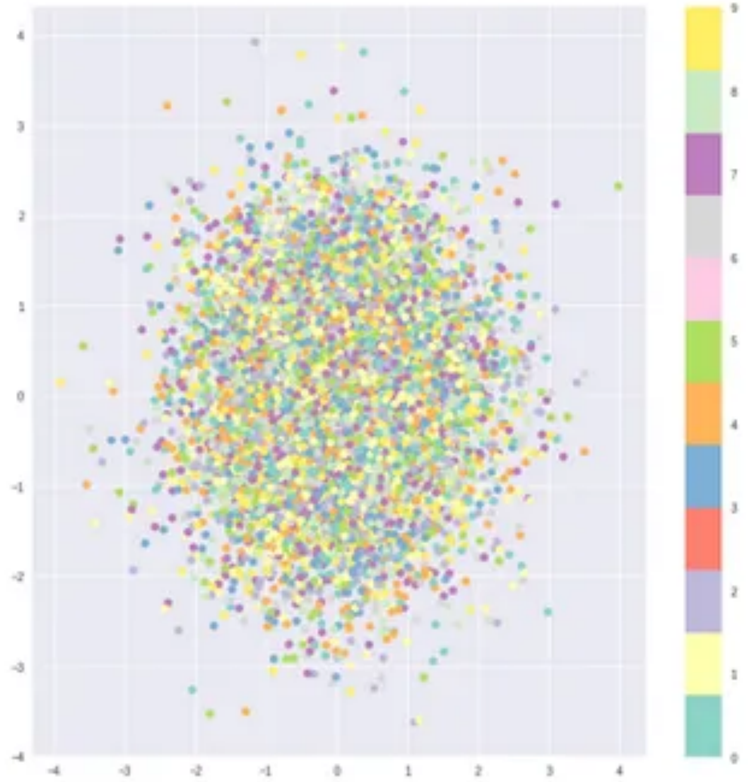
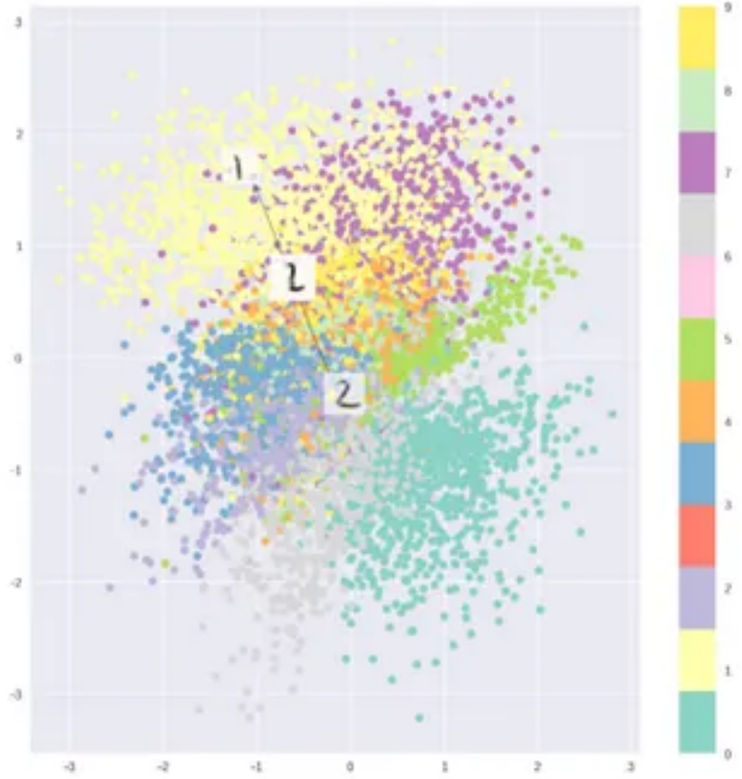
Only reconstruction loss



Only KL divergence



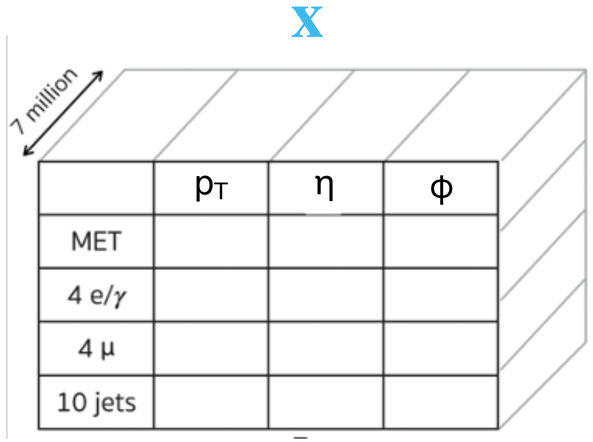
Combination

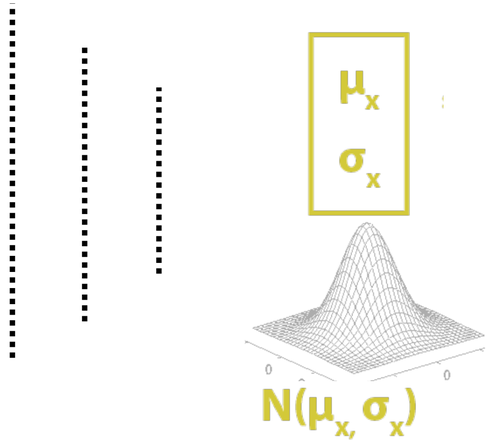


Push latent space
towards normality!

AXOL1TL

In 50 nanoseconds!!!





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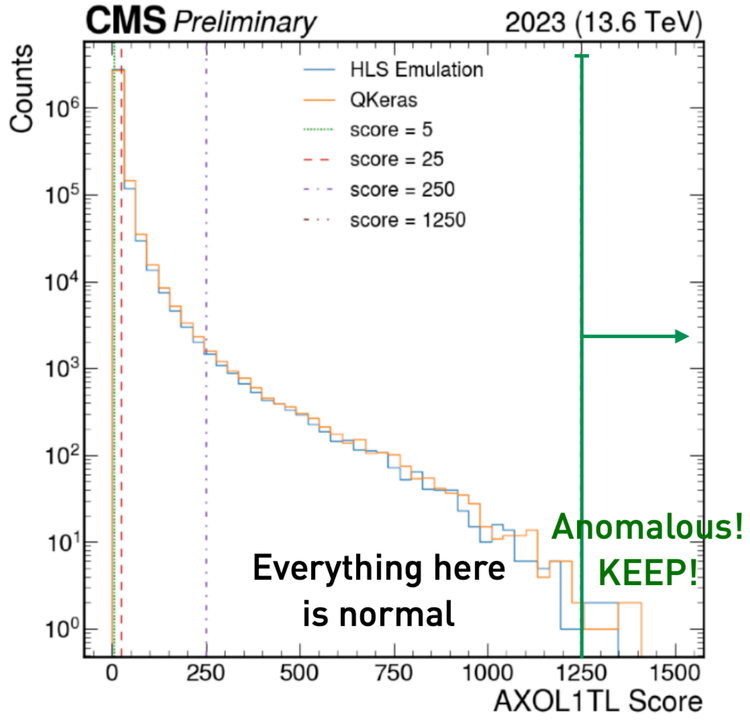
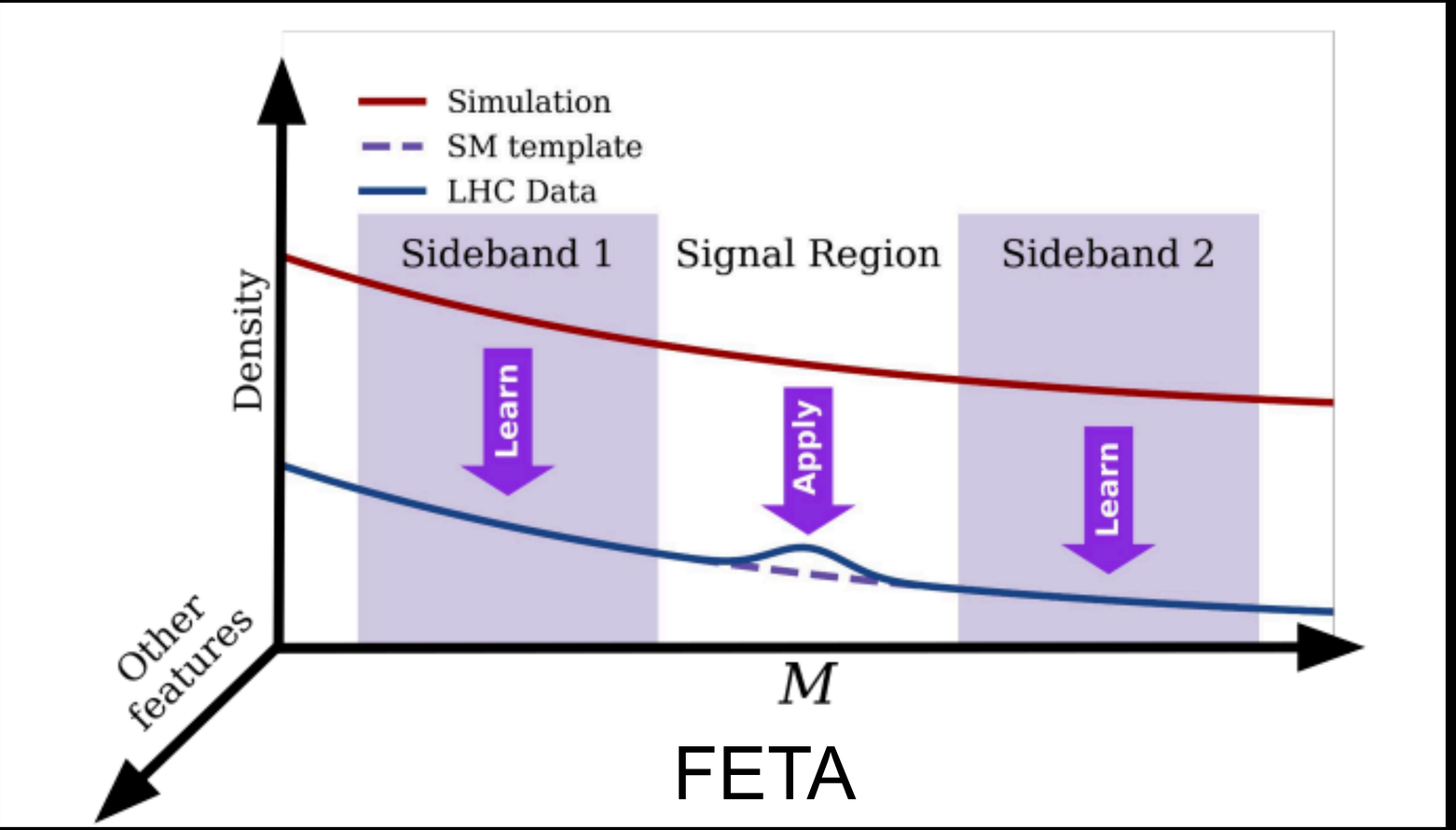


Finding overdensities



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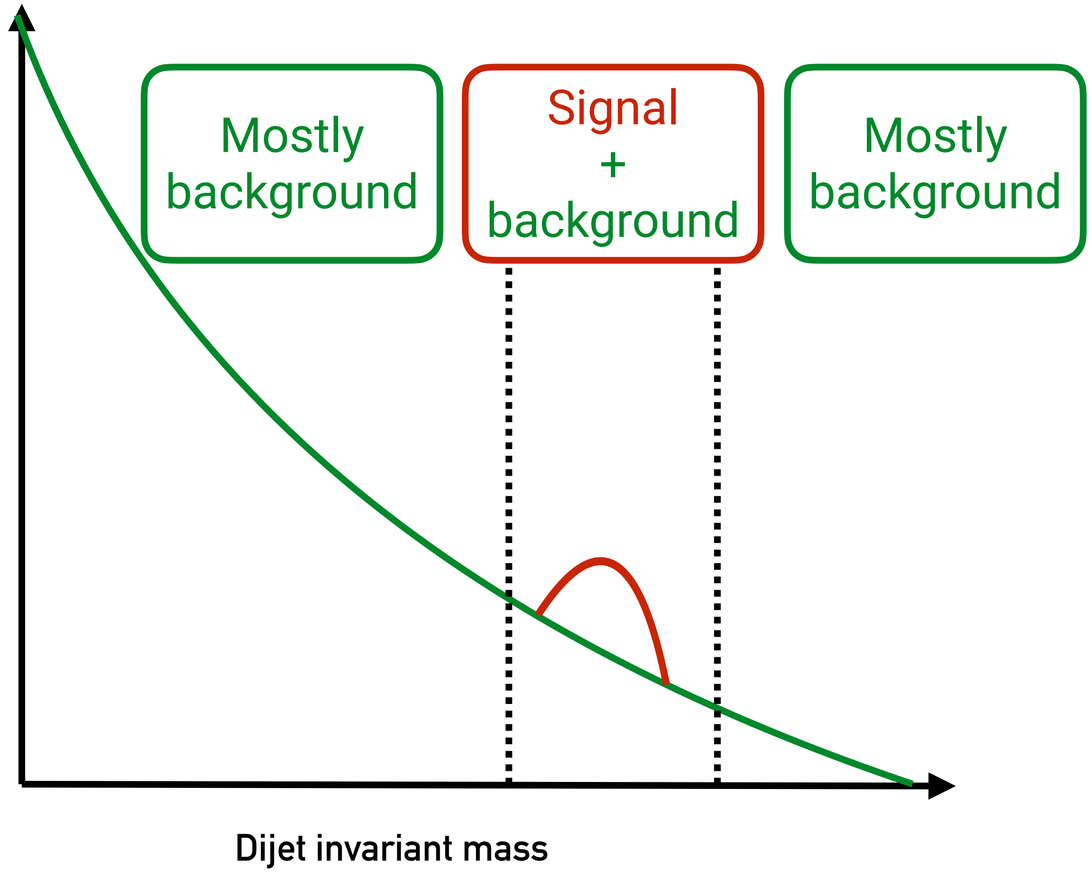

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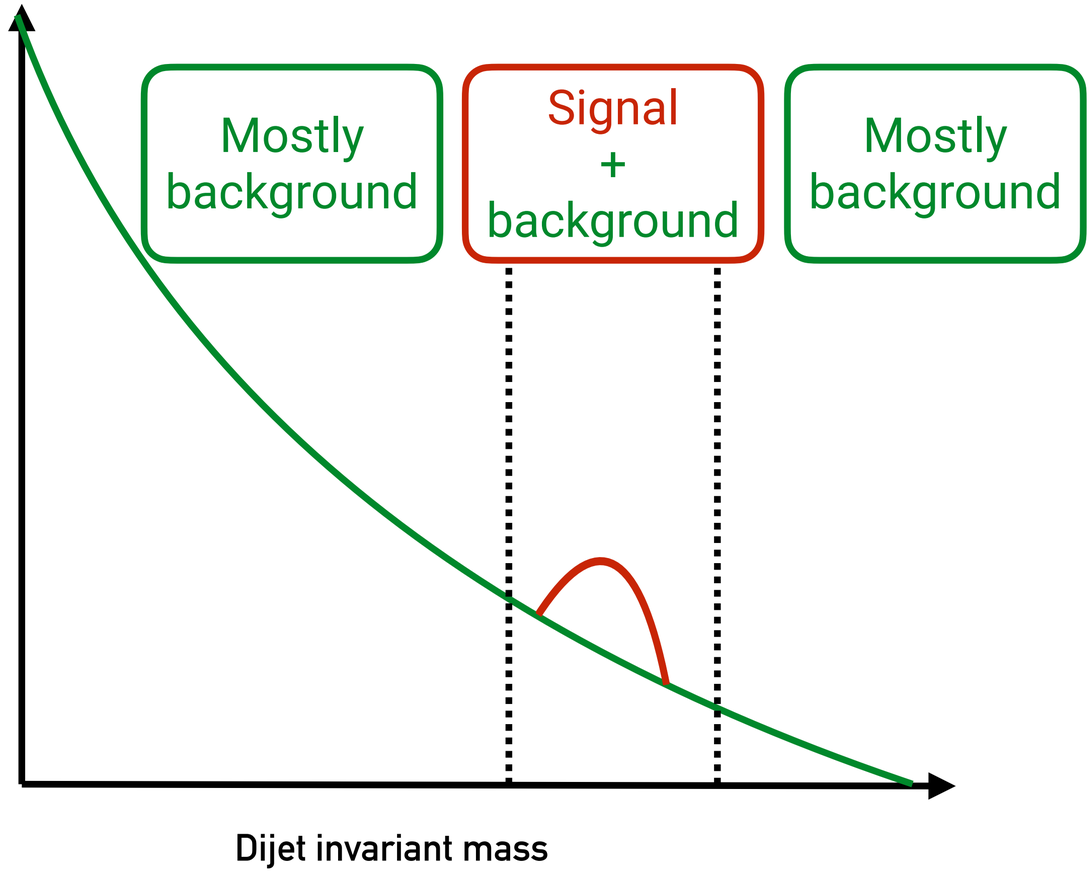

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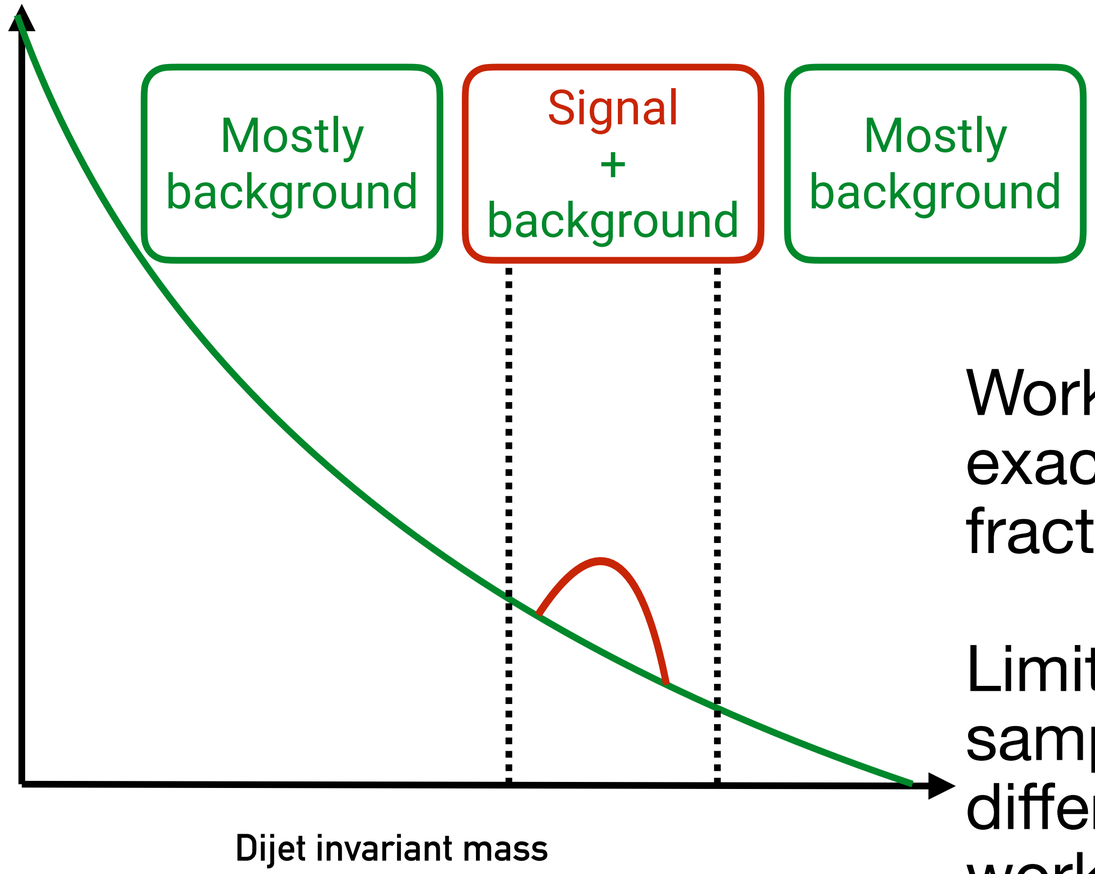

Works even if you don’t exactly know the S/B fractions!

Limitation: when the two samples don’t have different fractions, doesn’t work

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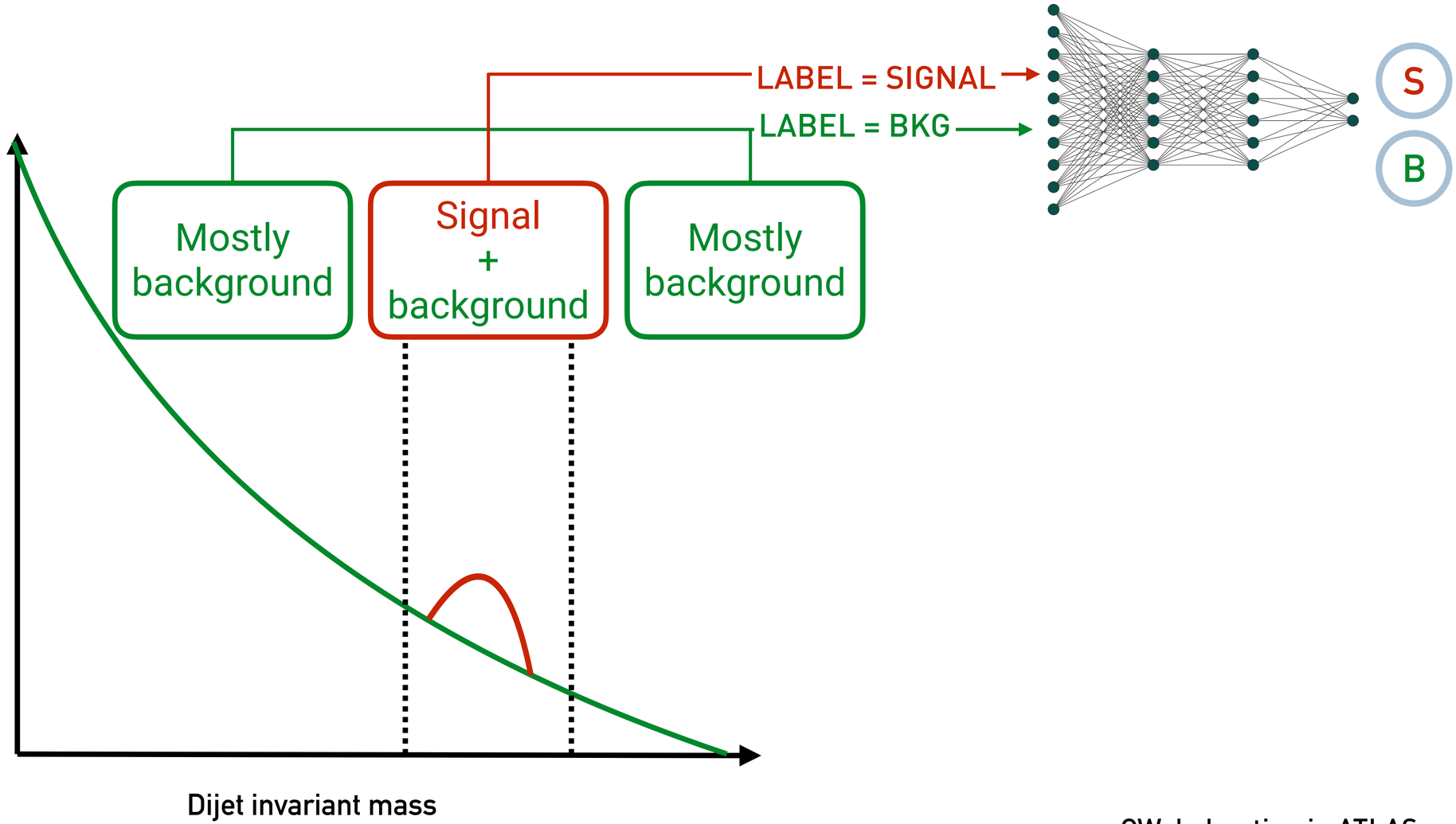

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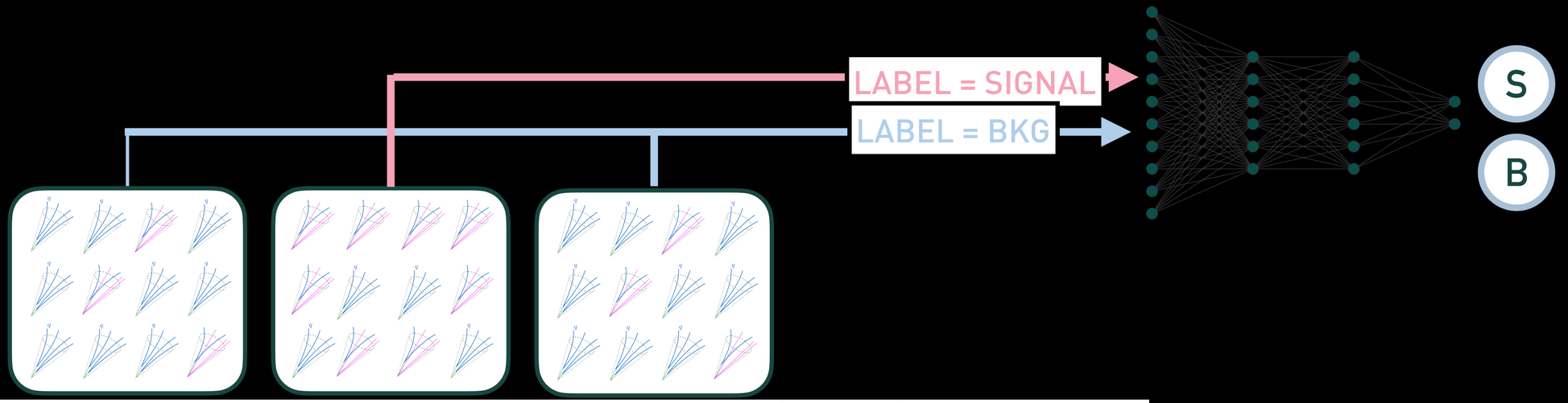
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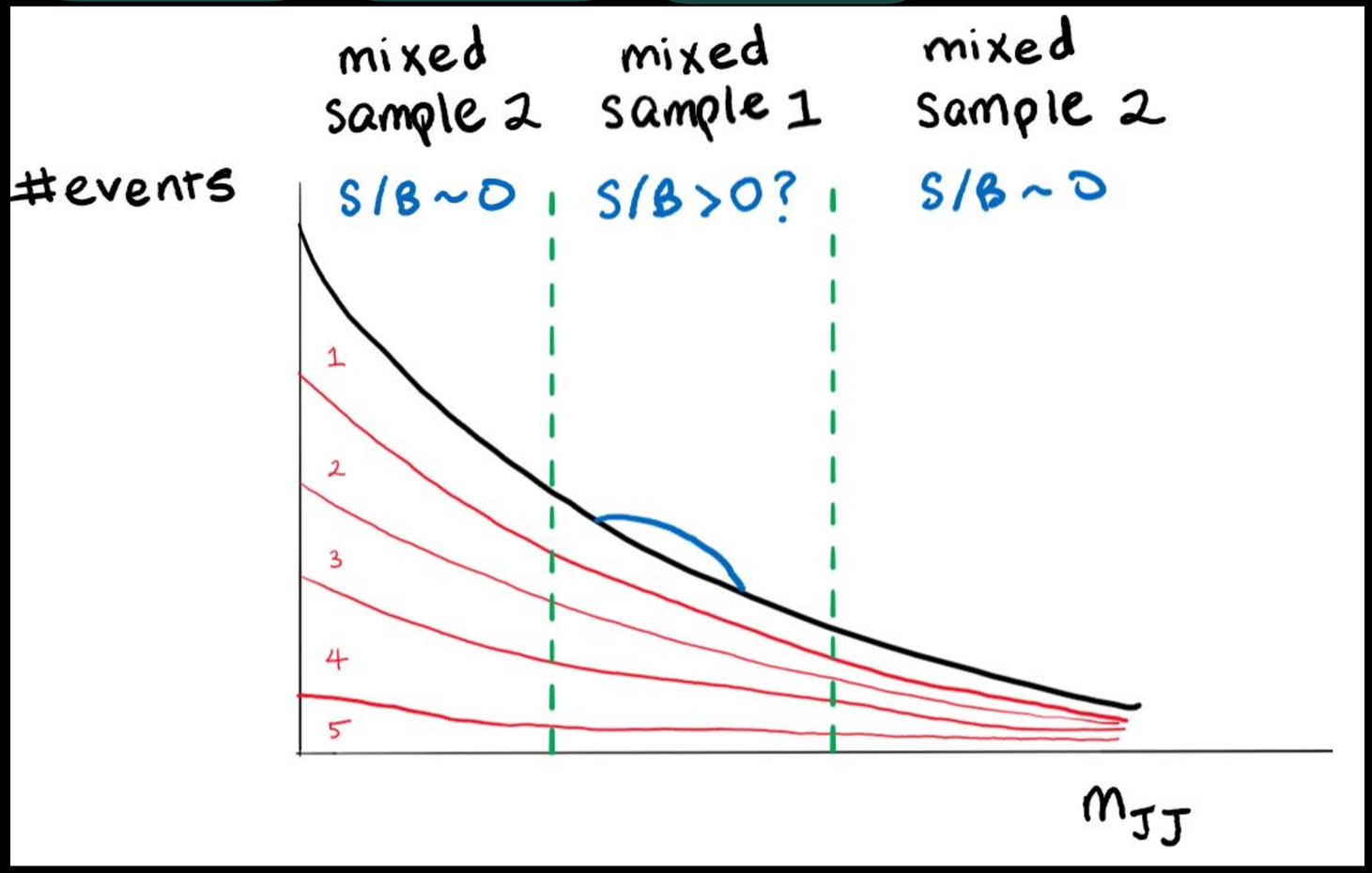
S
B


mixed sample 2
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S/B > 0 ?
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2
3
4
5
m_{JJ}

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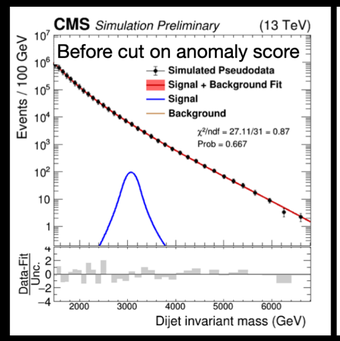
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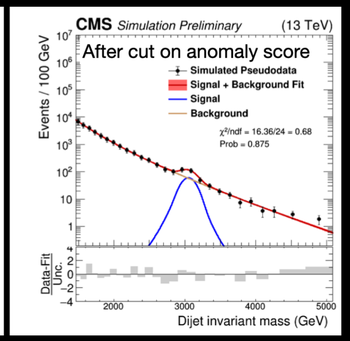
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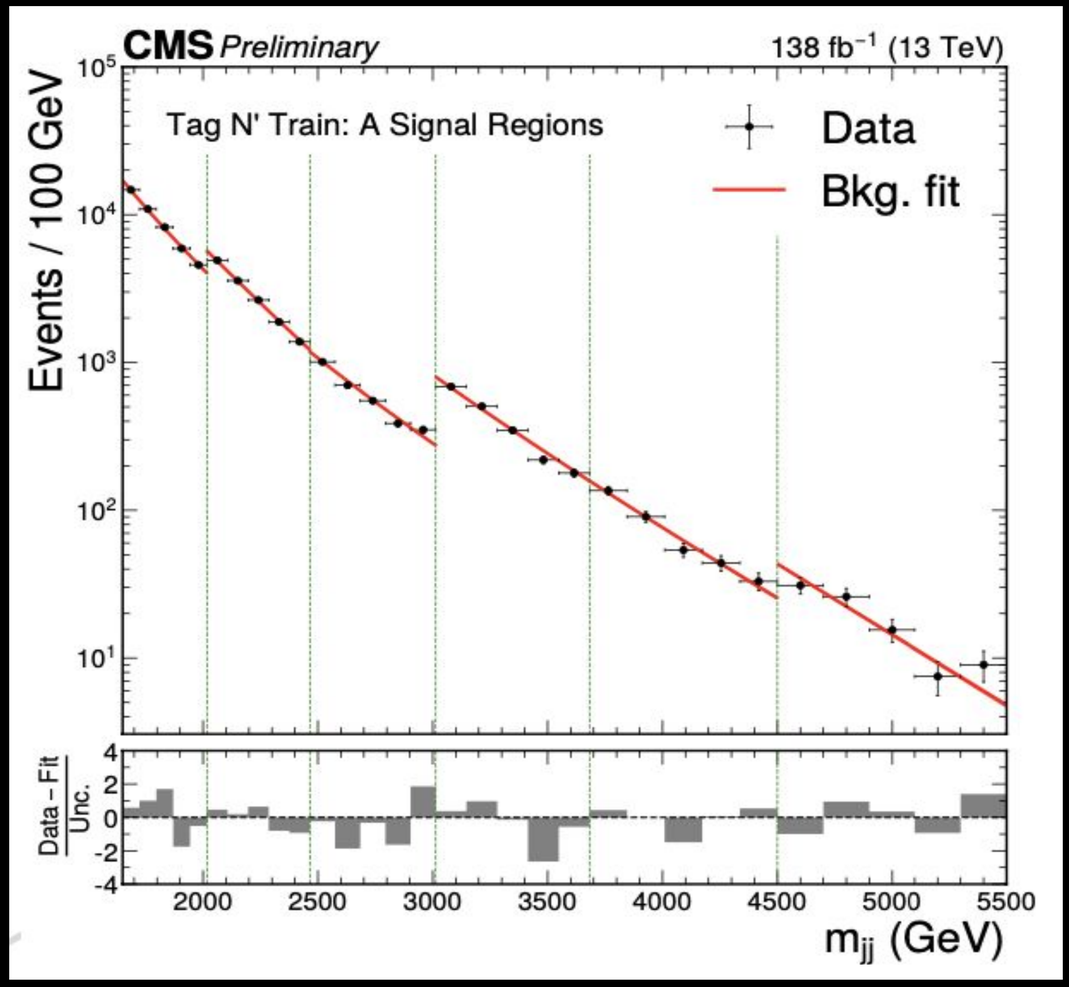
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m_jj (GeV)

Neural Density Estimation for AD

ML-based interpolation from sidebands to signal region:

ANODE: estimates densities in data sidebands, and signal-region, interpolate sideband to signal region & constructs likelihood ratio

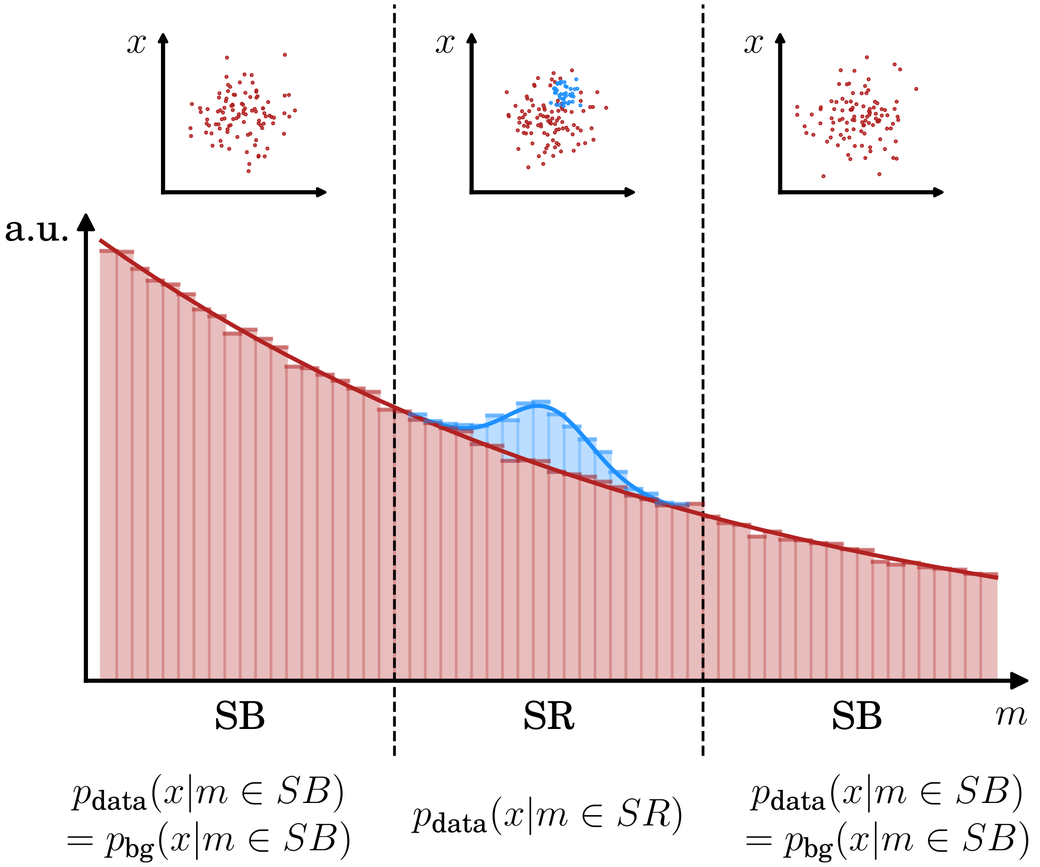
CATHODE: samples from the background model in signal region after interpolating, and estimates likelihood ratio by training classifier

CURTAINS: Train invertible NN conditioned on mass to map between sidebands

ML-based MC reweighting:

SALAD: Reweight simulation to match sideband, interpolate into the signal region and use a second classifier to get the likelihood

FETA: Map simulation to data in sidebands, then compare to SR data



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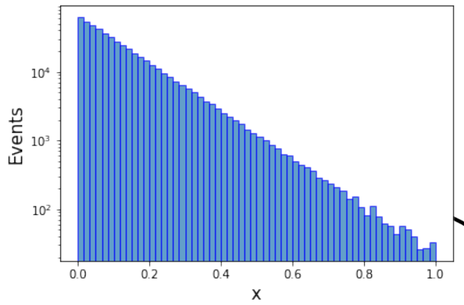
- Formulate loss as log likelihood.
  → Trained DNN **is** the maximum likelihood fit to data and reference log-ratio
  → best approximate of true data distribution

$$f(x, \hat{\mathbf{w}}) \simeq \log \left[\frac{n(x|\mathrm{T})}{n(x|\mathrm{R})} \right]$$ ← True underlying data distribution ← MC distribution

INPUTS
- any high level features

OUTPUTS
-t^{obs} and $f(x; \hat{w})$

QCD MC R



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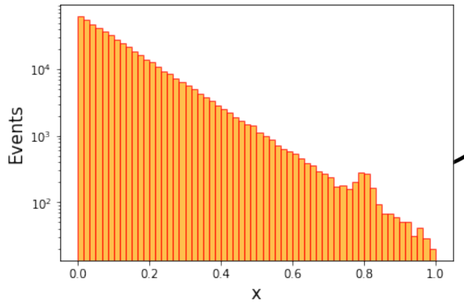
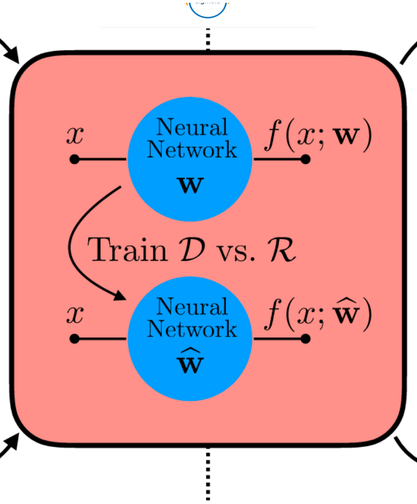
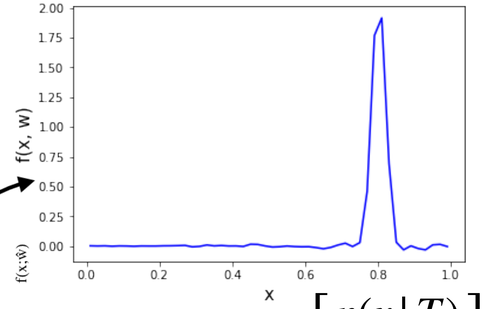




1) Best fit log ratio of data and MC PDFs



$$f(x, \hat{w}) \simeq \log \left[\frac{n(x \mid T)}{n(x \mid R)} \right]$$

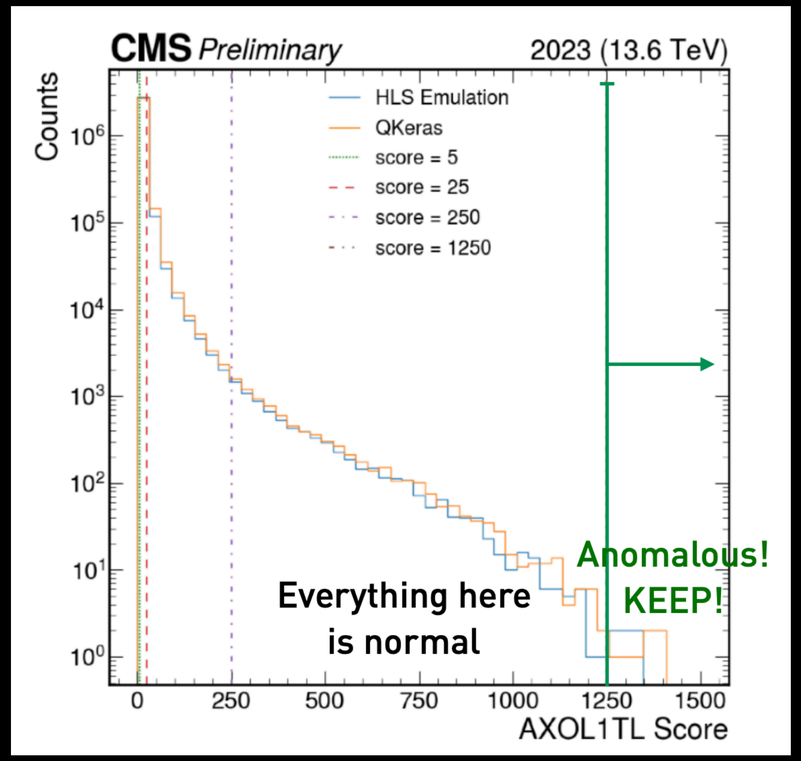
2) test-statistic on data sample t_{obs}

$$t(\mathcal{D}) = -2 \operatorname*{Min}_{\{\mathbf{w}\}} L[f]$$ ← **DNN loss function!**
Can be used to build hypothesis test + p-value
Data → toys under R, repeat

$$f(x, \hat{\mathbf{w}}) \simeq \log \left[\frac{n(x|\mathrm{T})}{n(x|\mathrm{R})} \right]$$
← True underlying data distribution
← MC distribution

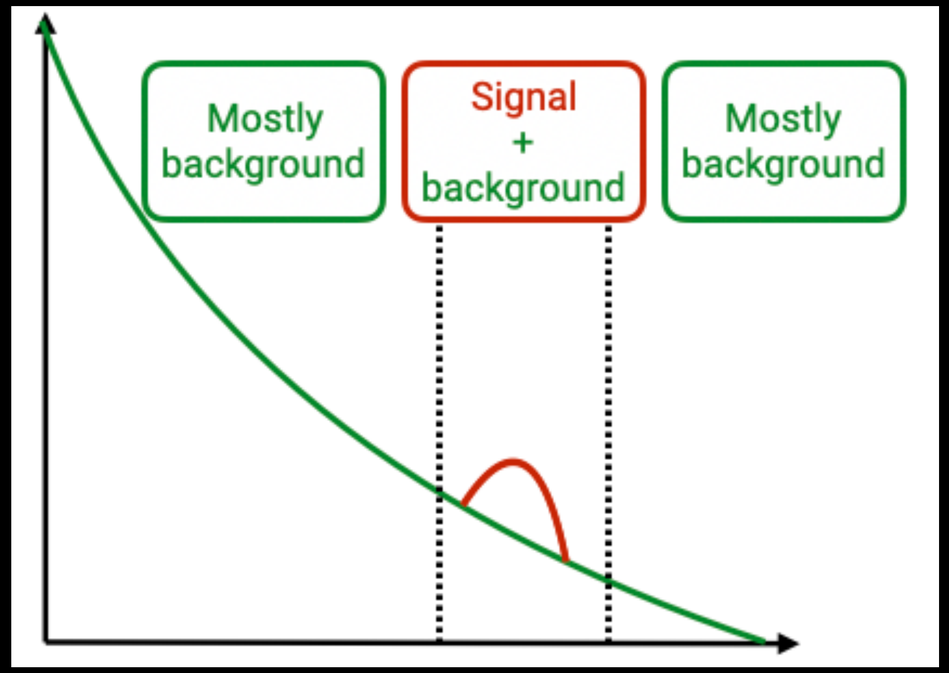
Types of anomaly detection

Outlier detection



Unsupervised learning:
only features; no labels!

Detecting overdensities



Weakly-supervised learning:
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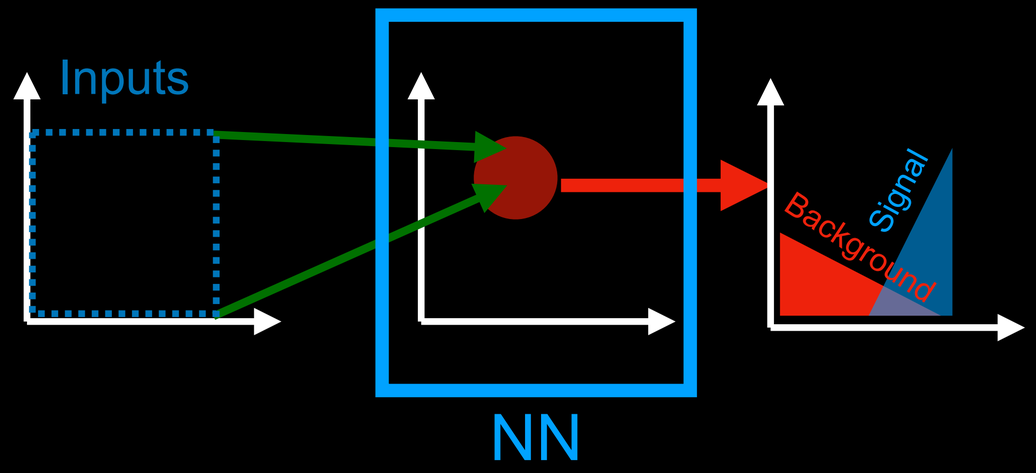

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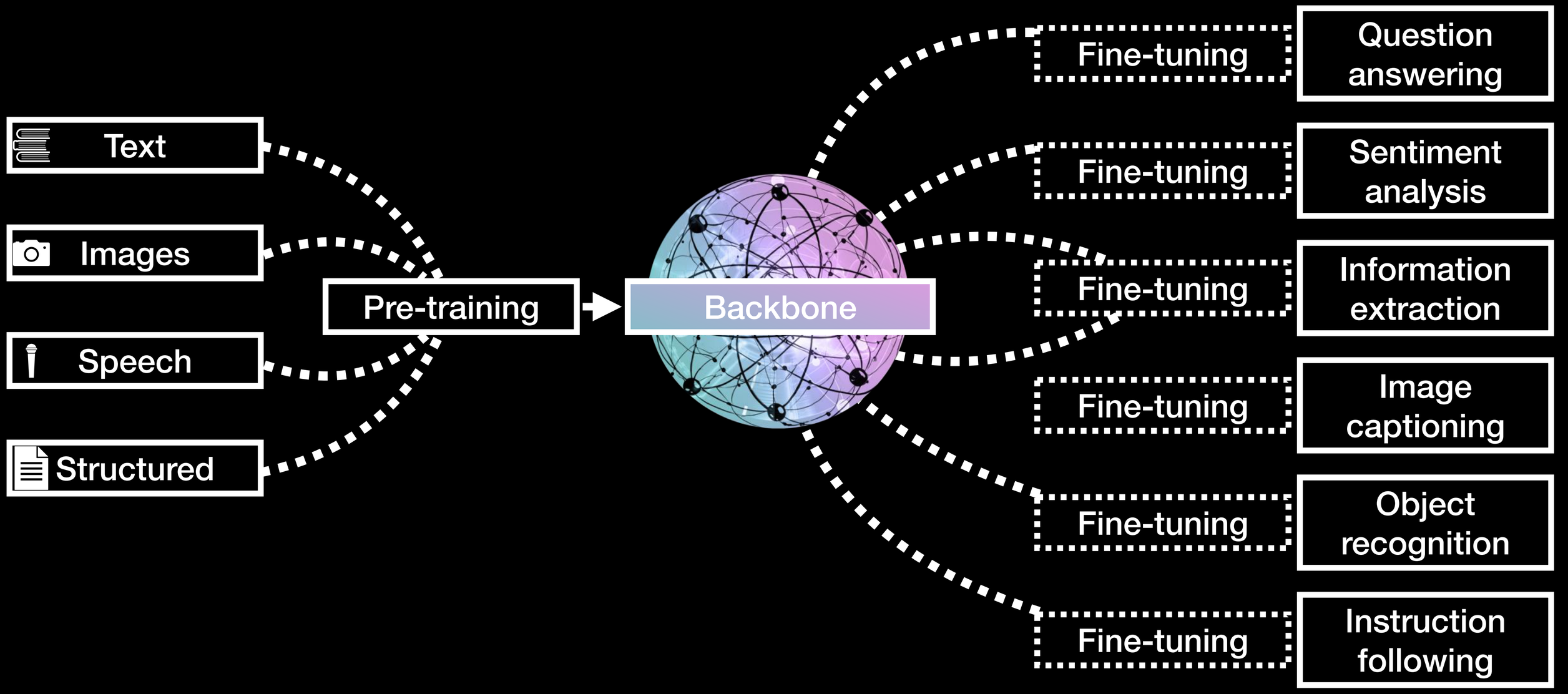
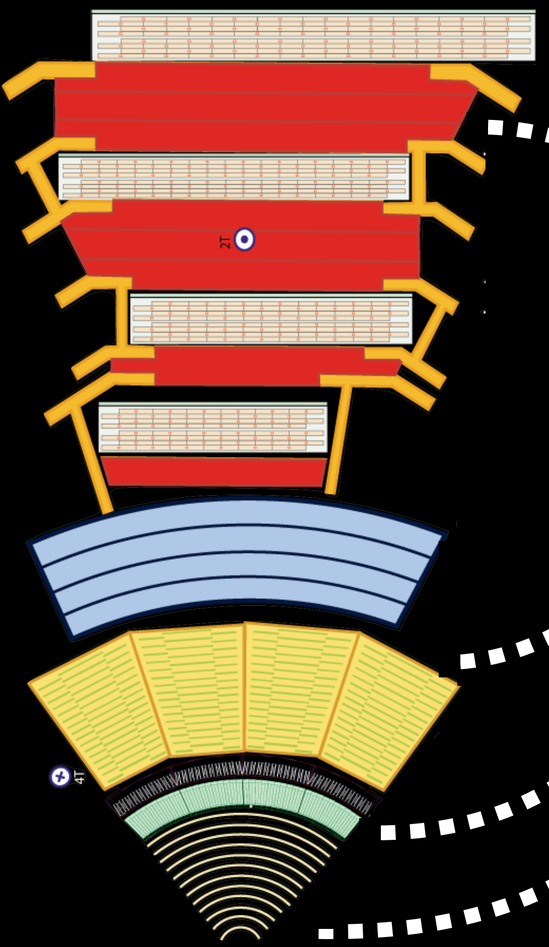


See mondays lecture on transformers and foundation models by Anna!

Heterogeneous detector
Multi-modal input!



Pre-training

Backbone

Fine-tuning — Jet reconstruction

Fine-tuning — Electron reconstruction

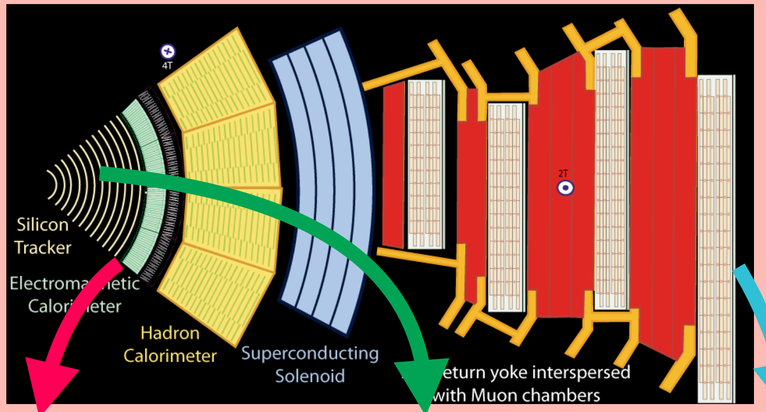
Fine-tuning — Pile-up removal

Fine-tuning — Missing energy computation

Fine-tuning — Anomaly Detection

Fine-tuning — 0/1?

(Generate simulation?)



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A few NNs and BDTs here

2 tiny NNs here

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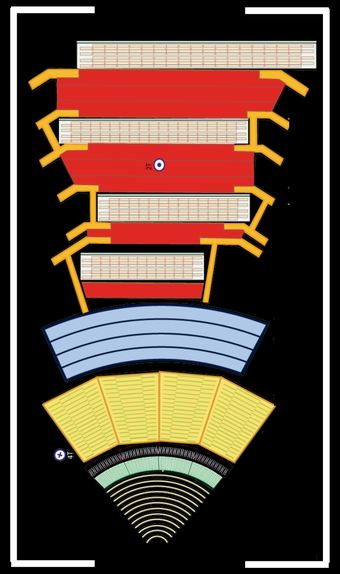

$$f(x; w^*) \rightarrow \hat{y}$$

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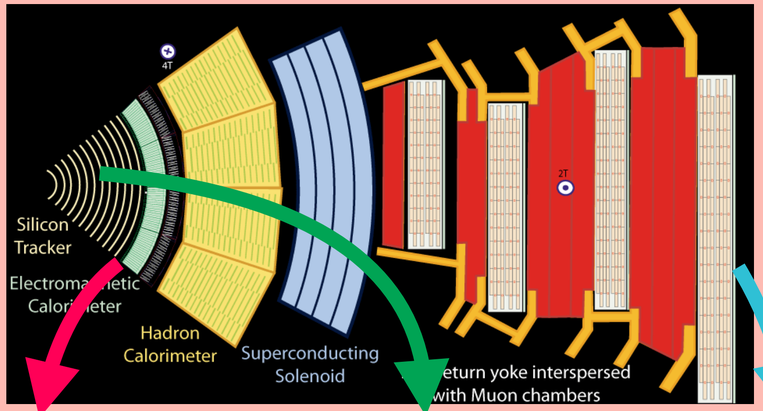

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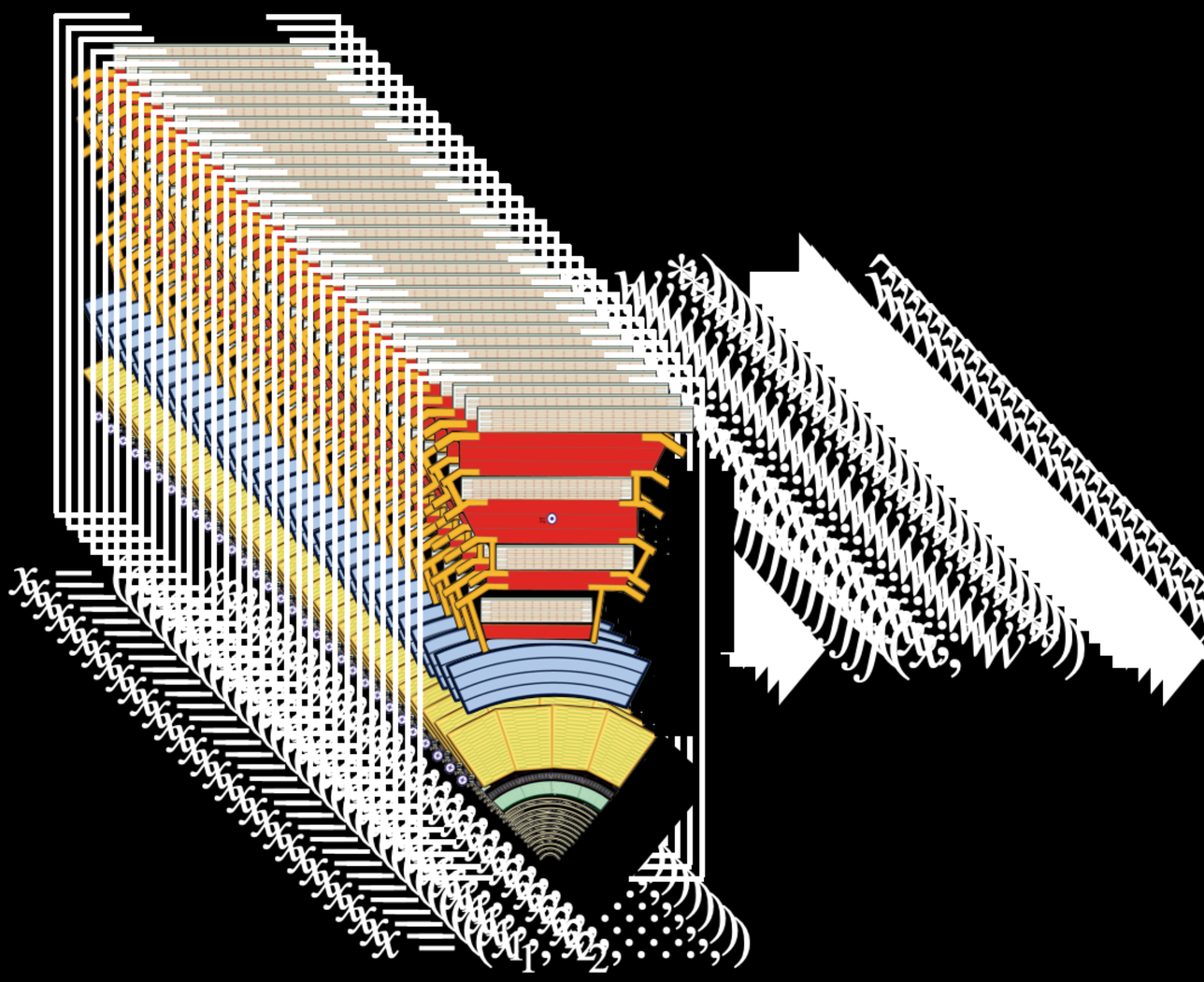

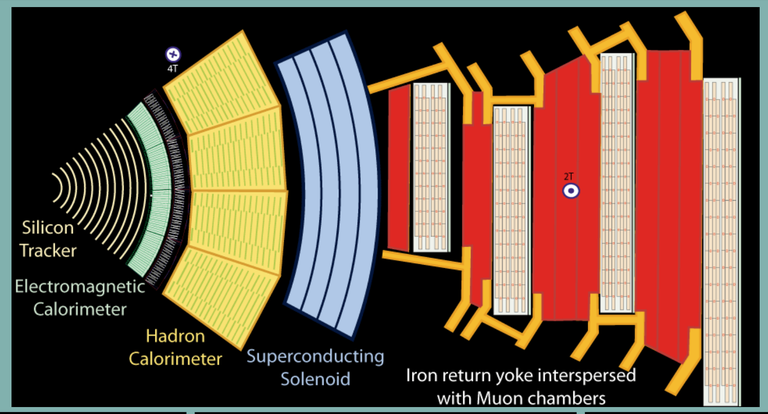

CALORIMETER PRE-PROCESSING

TRACKING PRE-PROCESSING

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End-to-end reconstruction model

Latent representation

Downstream Task

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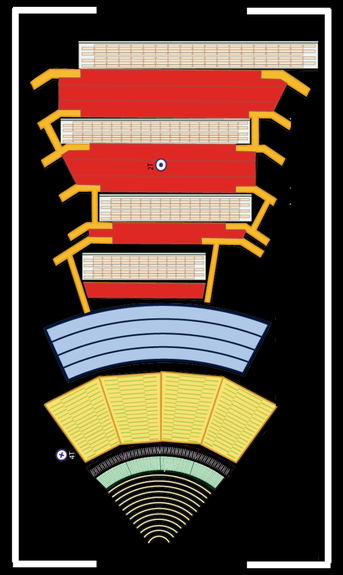
One model, learn neural embedding?



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Some new space

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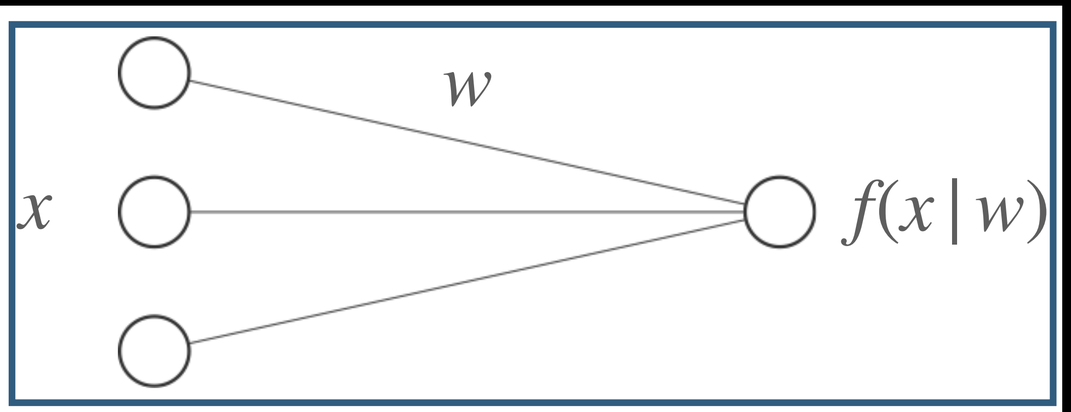
NNs are featurizers!



Linear model: $f(x \mid w) = w^\intercal x$

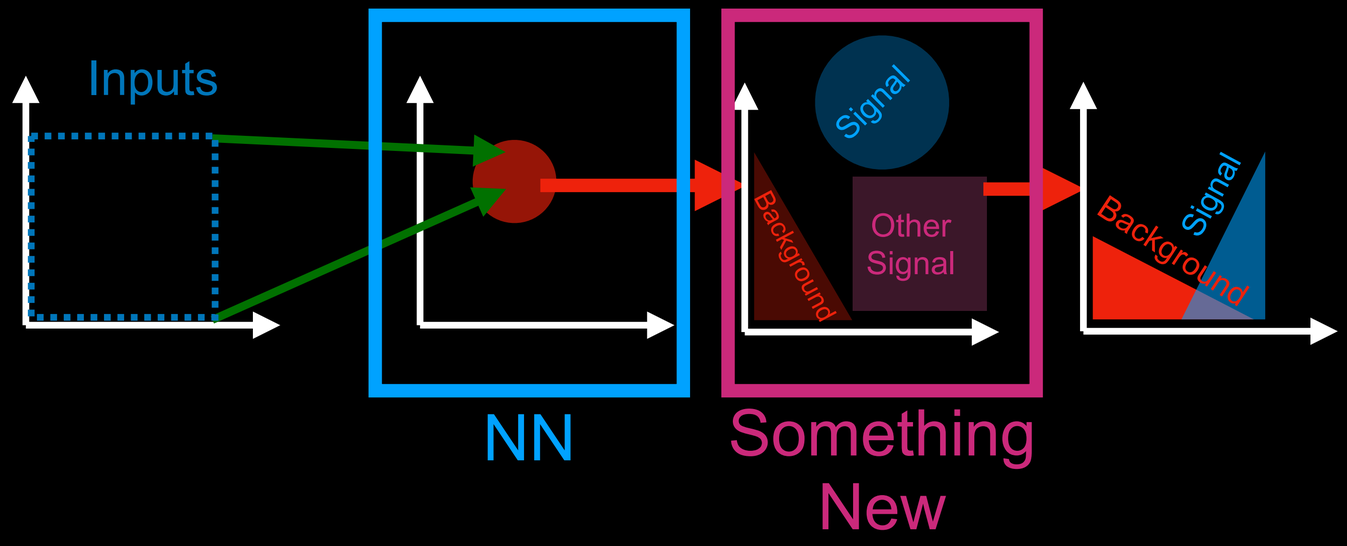
Neural network: linear model after inputs are mapped to features through a nonlinear transformation σ

$f(x \mid w_1, w_2) = w_2^T \sigma(w_1^T x)$

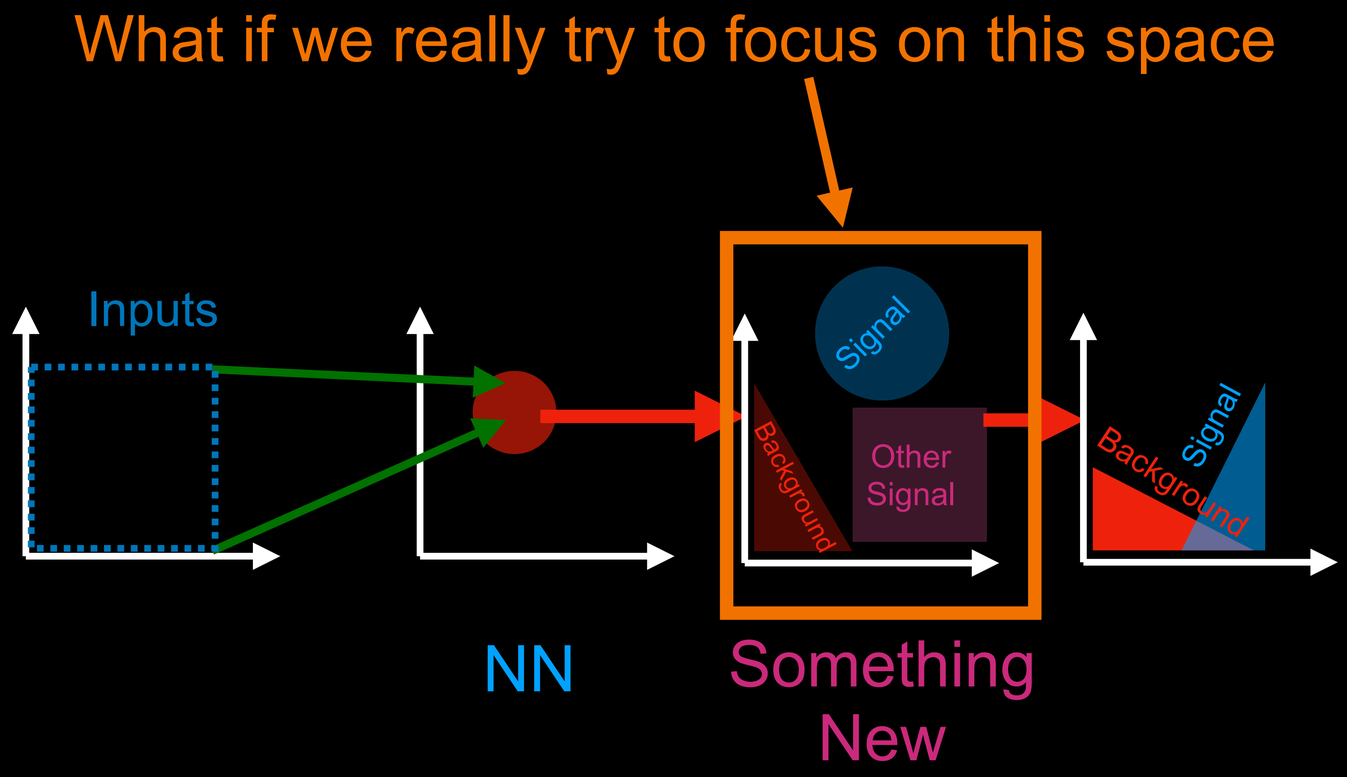
Neural networks have linear models as basic building block

Act as “automatic featurizers/ embeddings”!

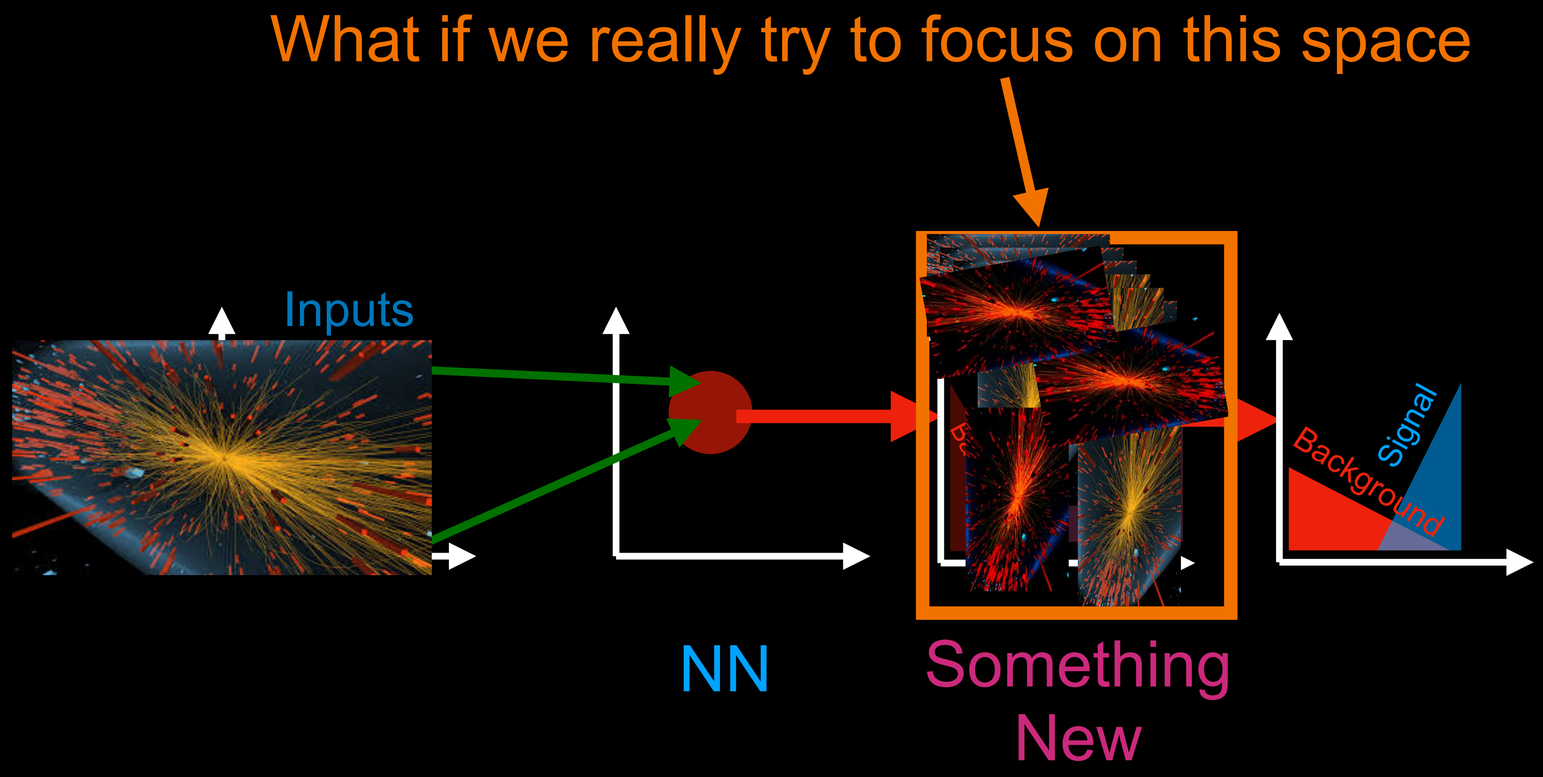
How can we make meaningful embeddings?



Metric Learning

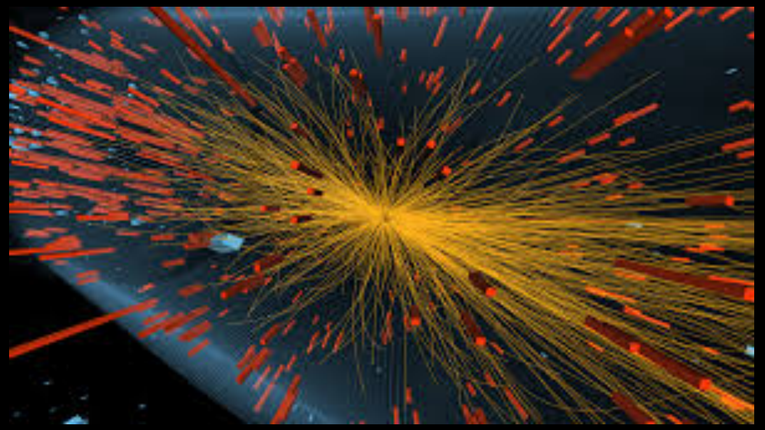


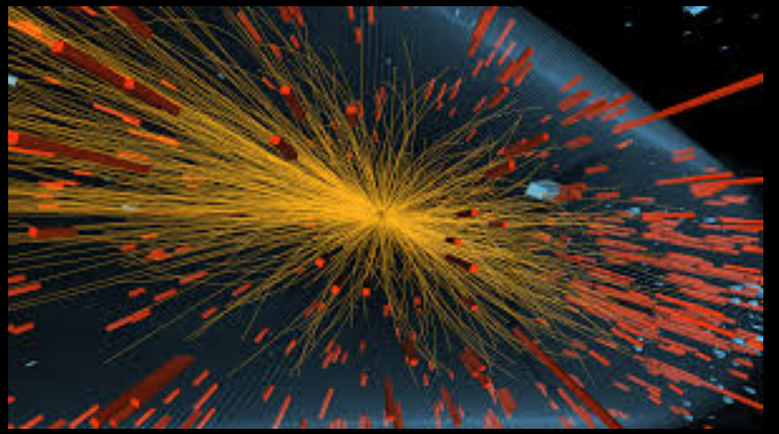
Neural embedding



Neural embedding

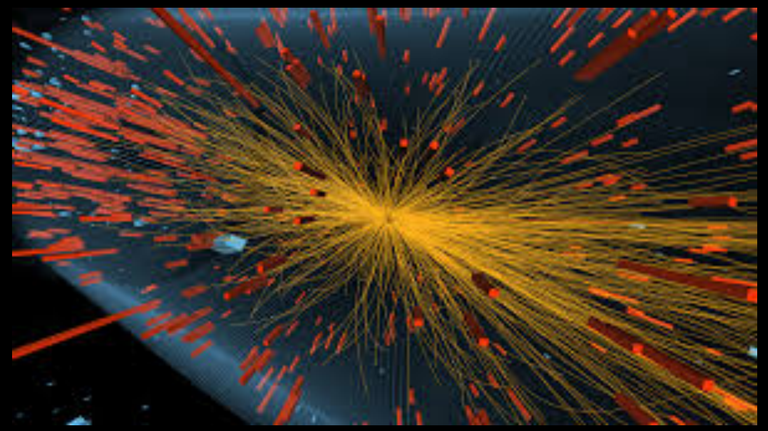
Learning the space

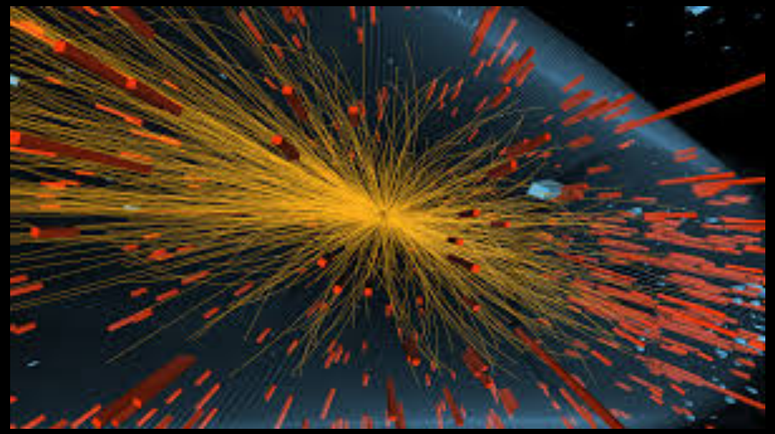




Learning the space

- By looking at data, we can learn a lot
  - Go over input piece by piece
  - Analyze every aspect
  - Compare every feature
- Find distinctive style of the input
  - can be done e.g by looking for a deviation





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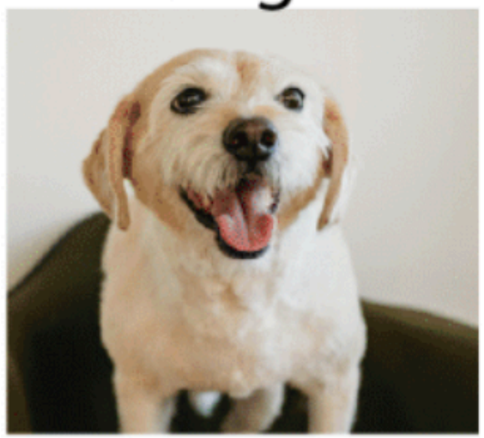

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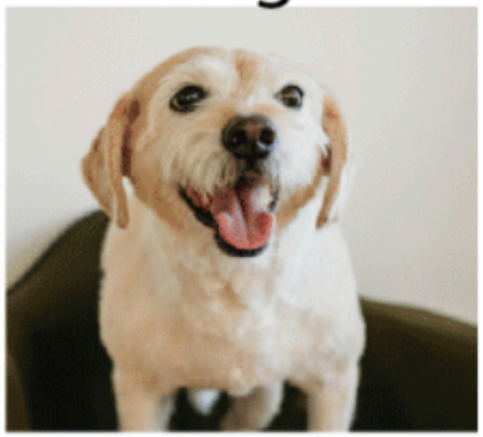

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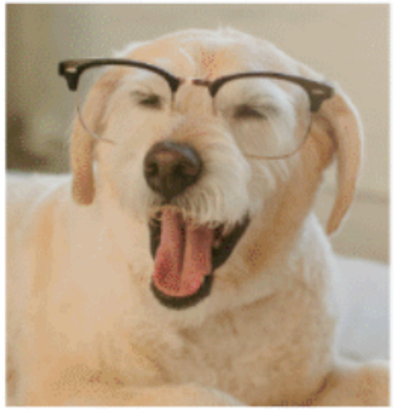

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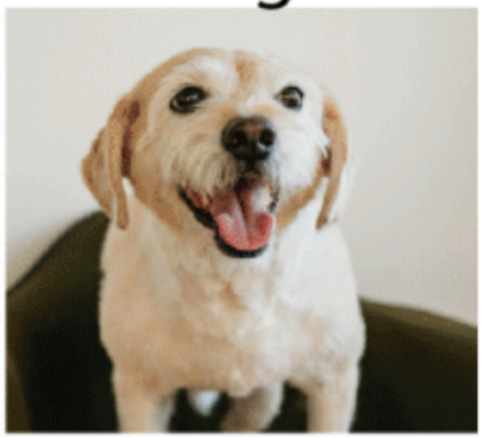

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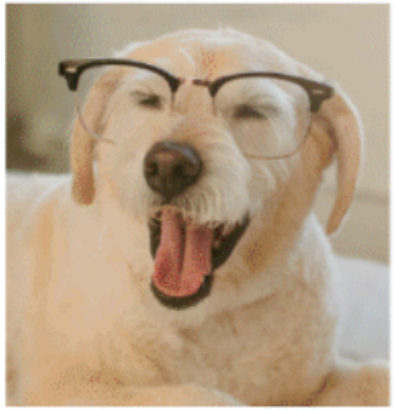

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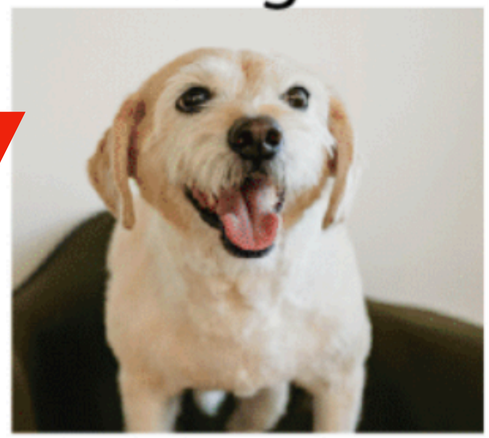

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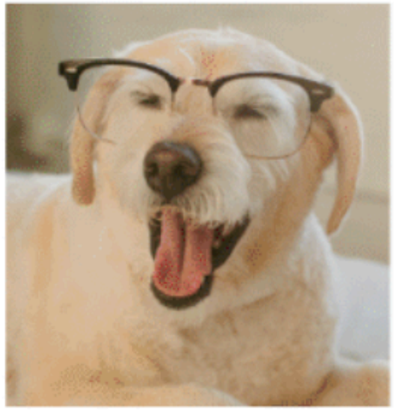

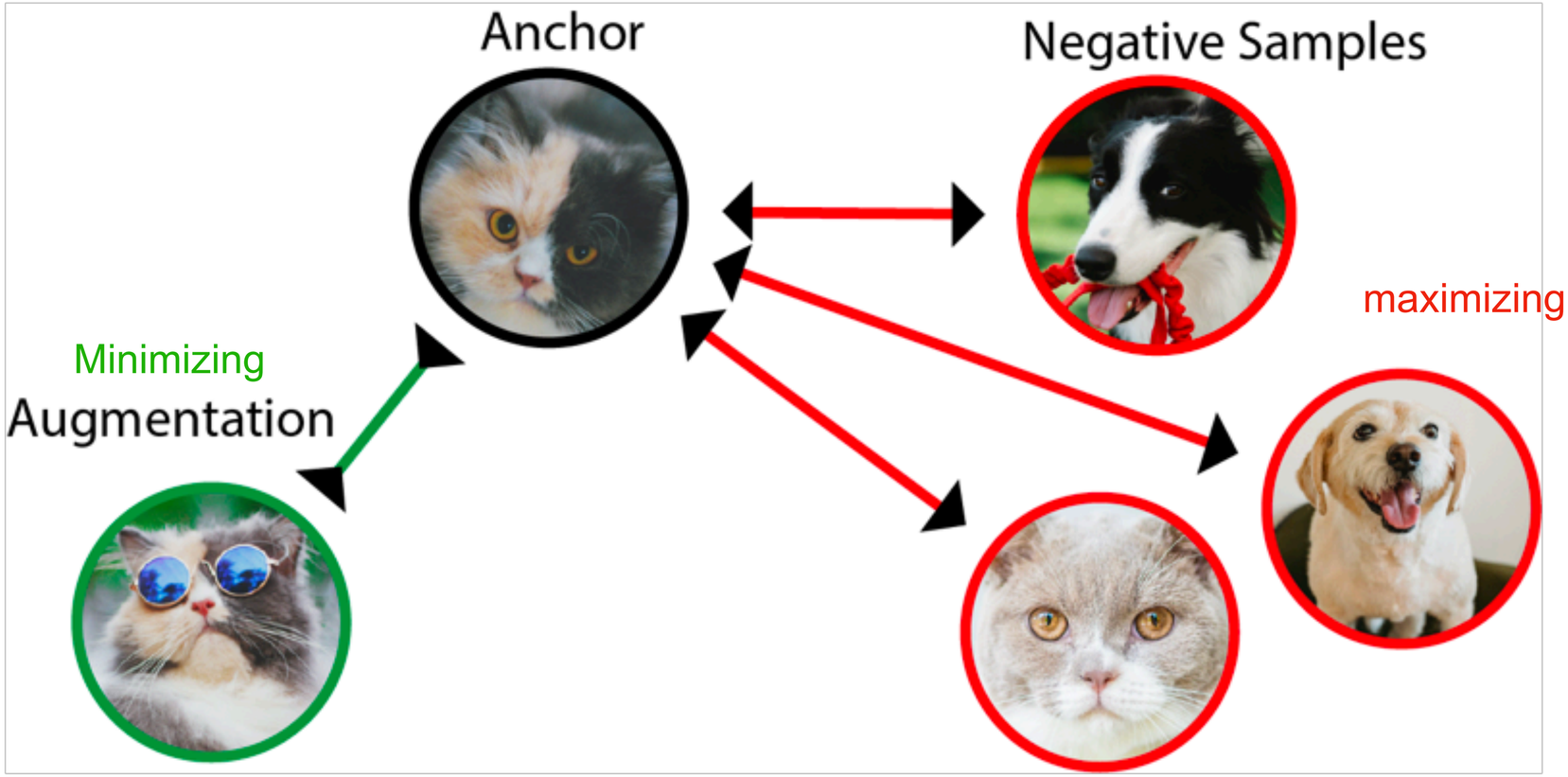

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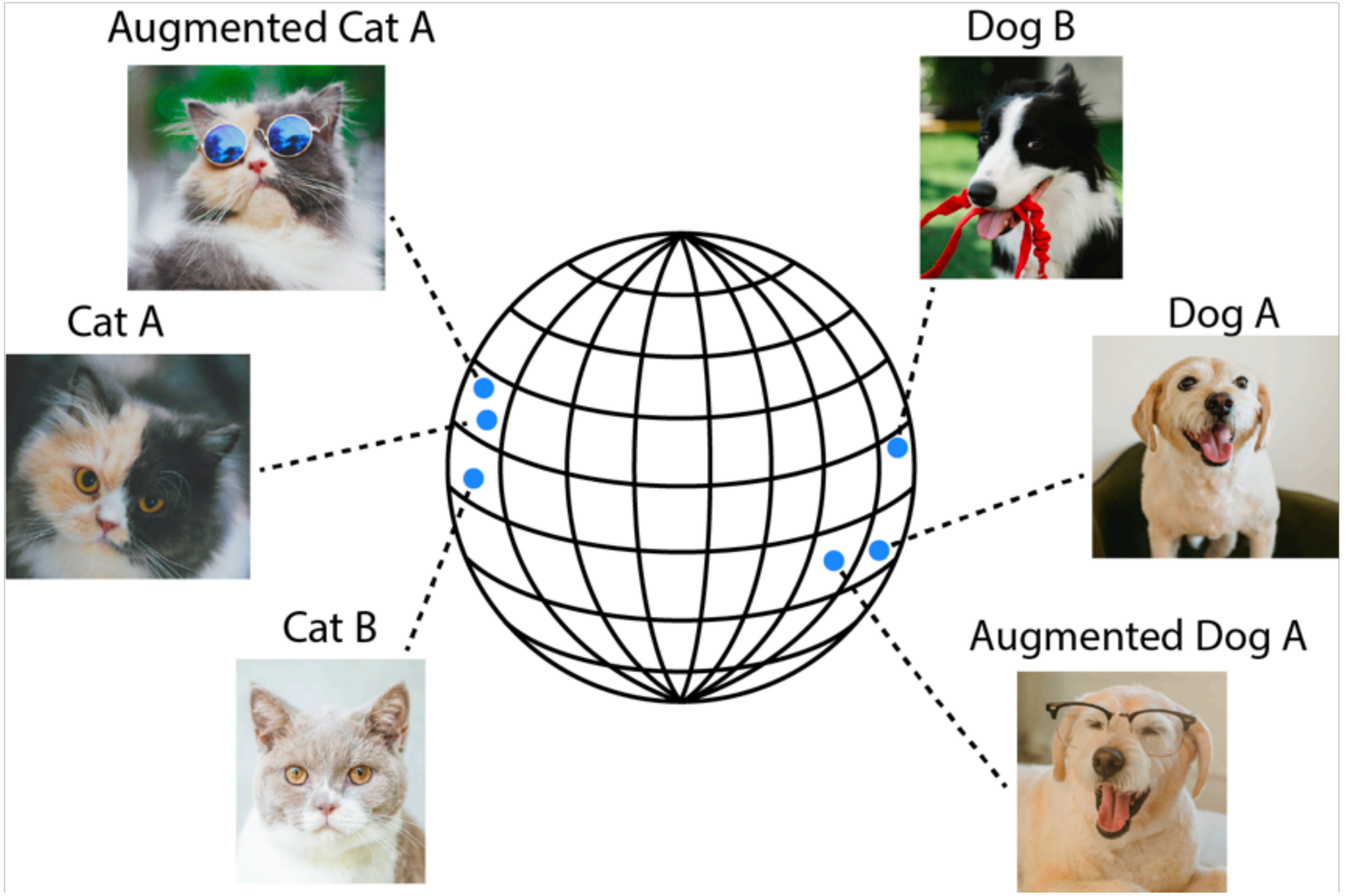
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SimCLR Framework

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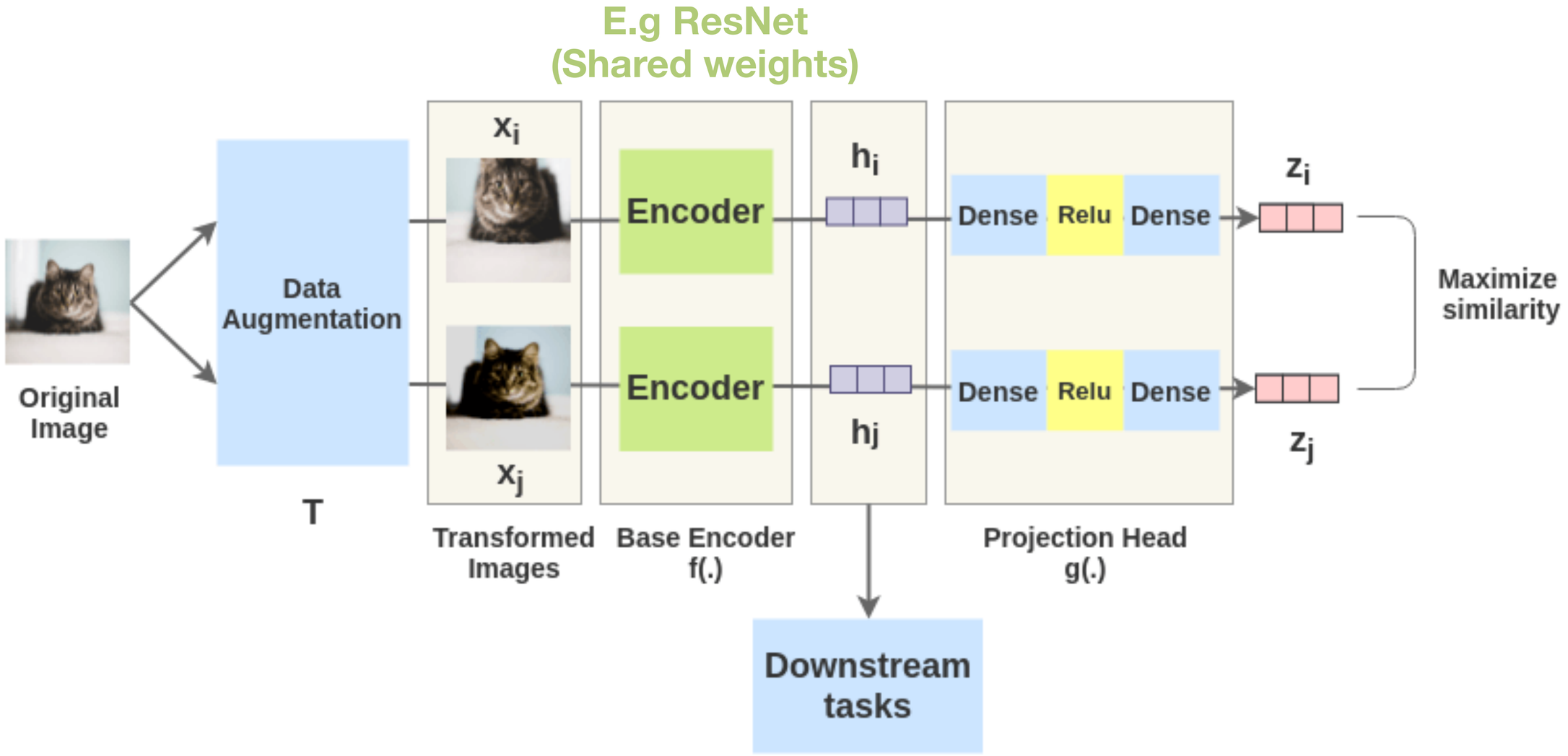

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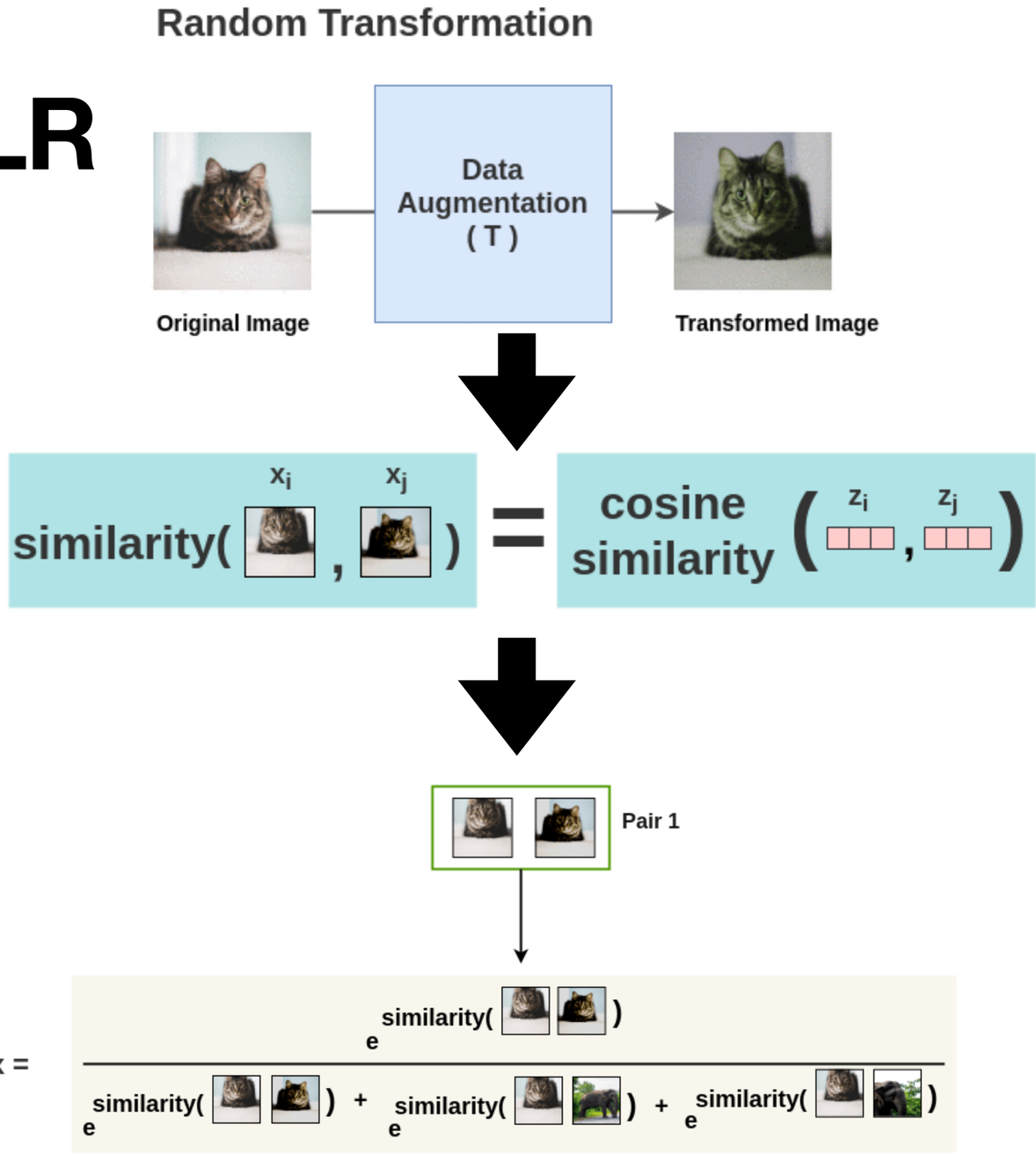

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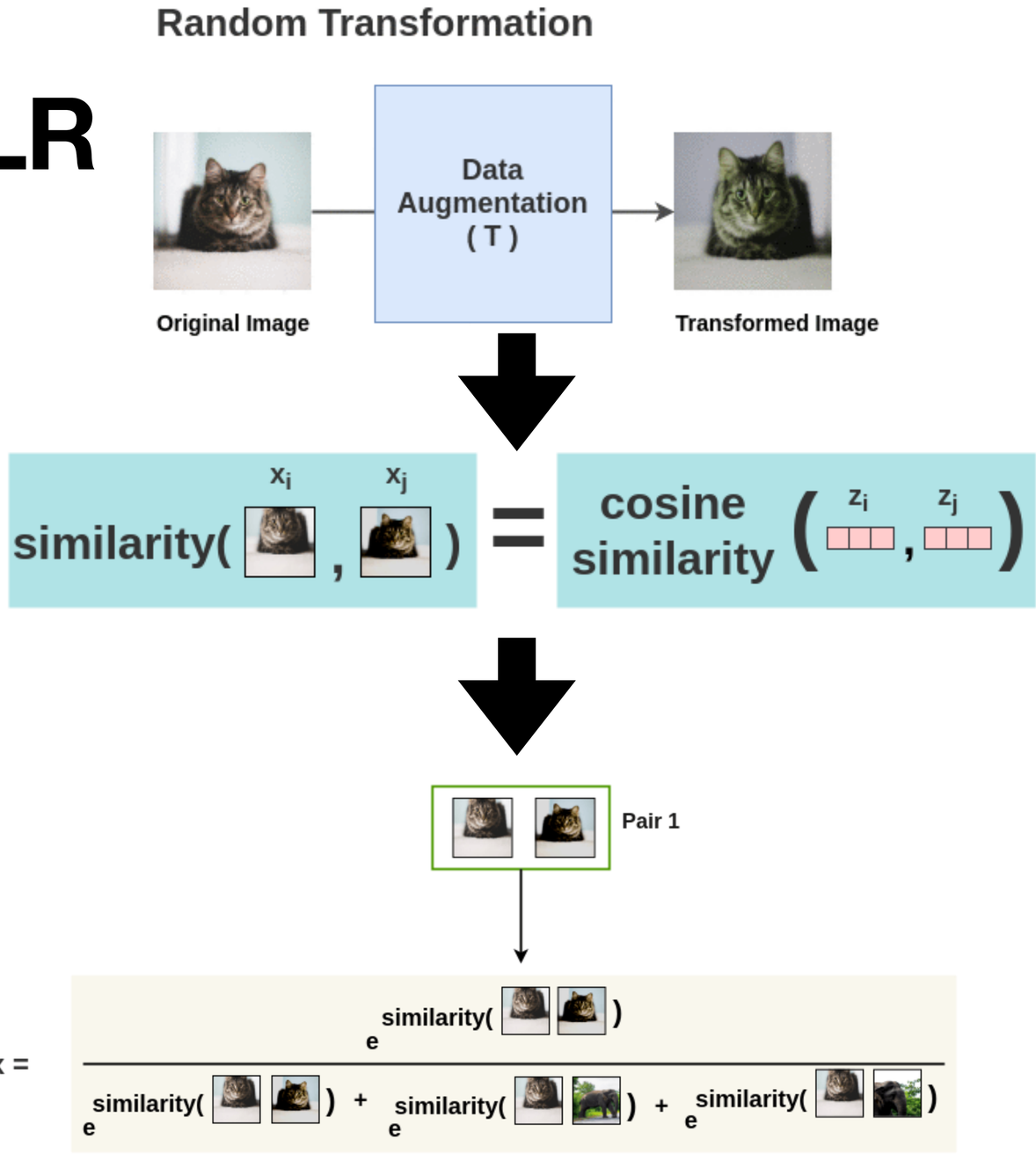

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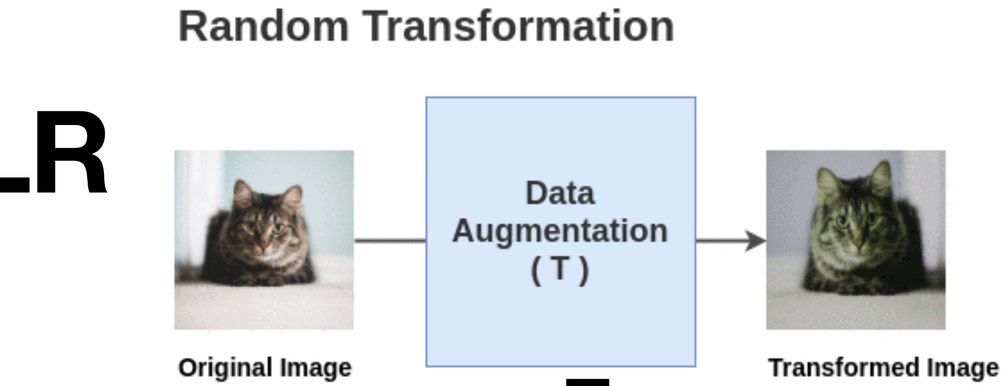

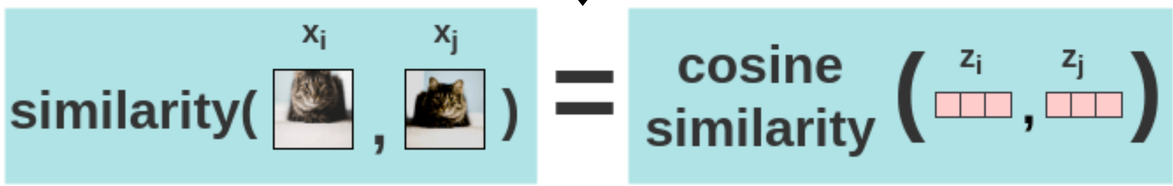

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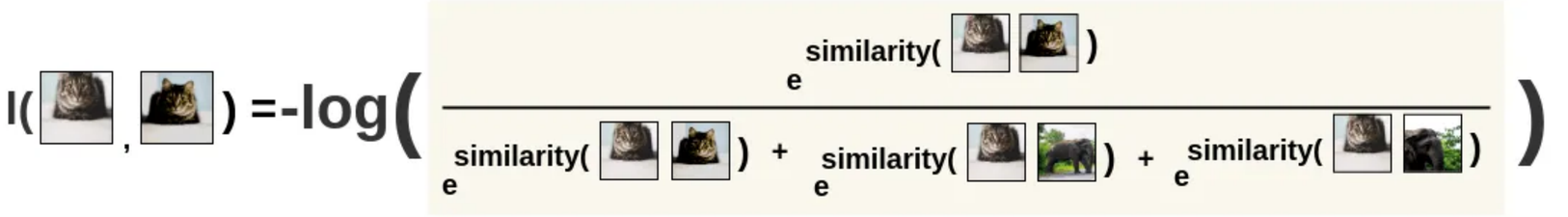

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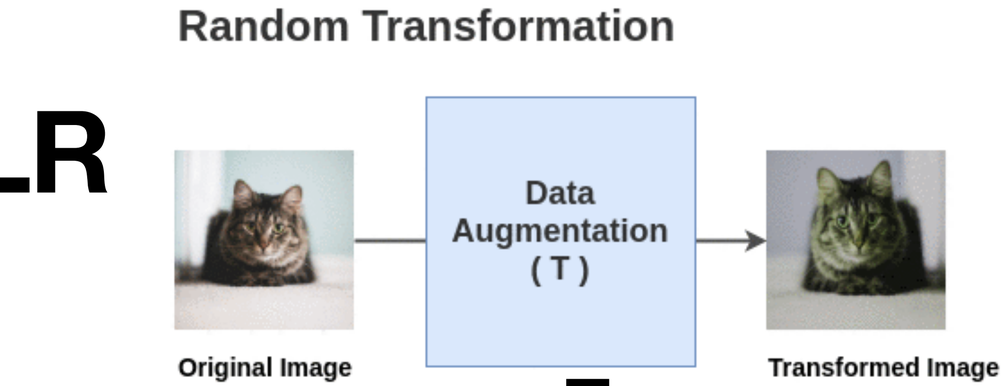

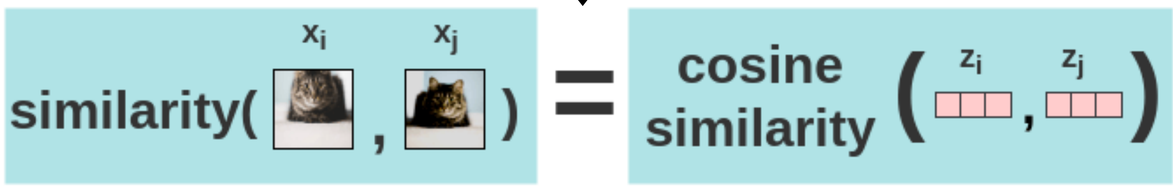

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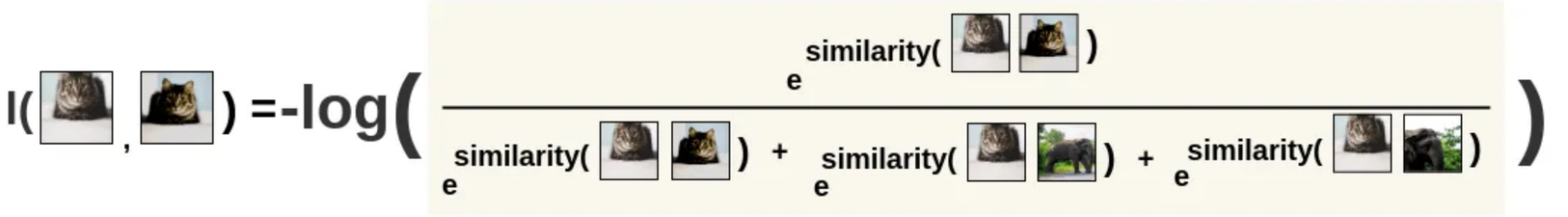

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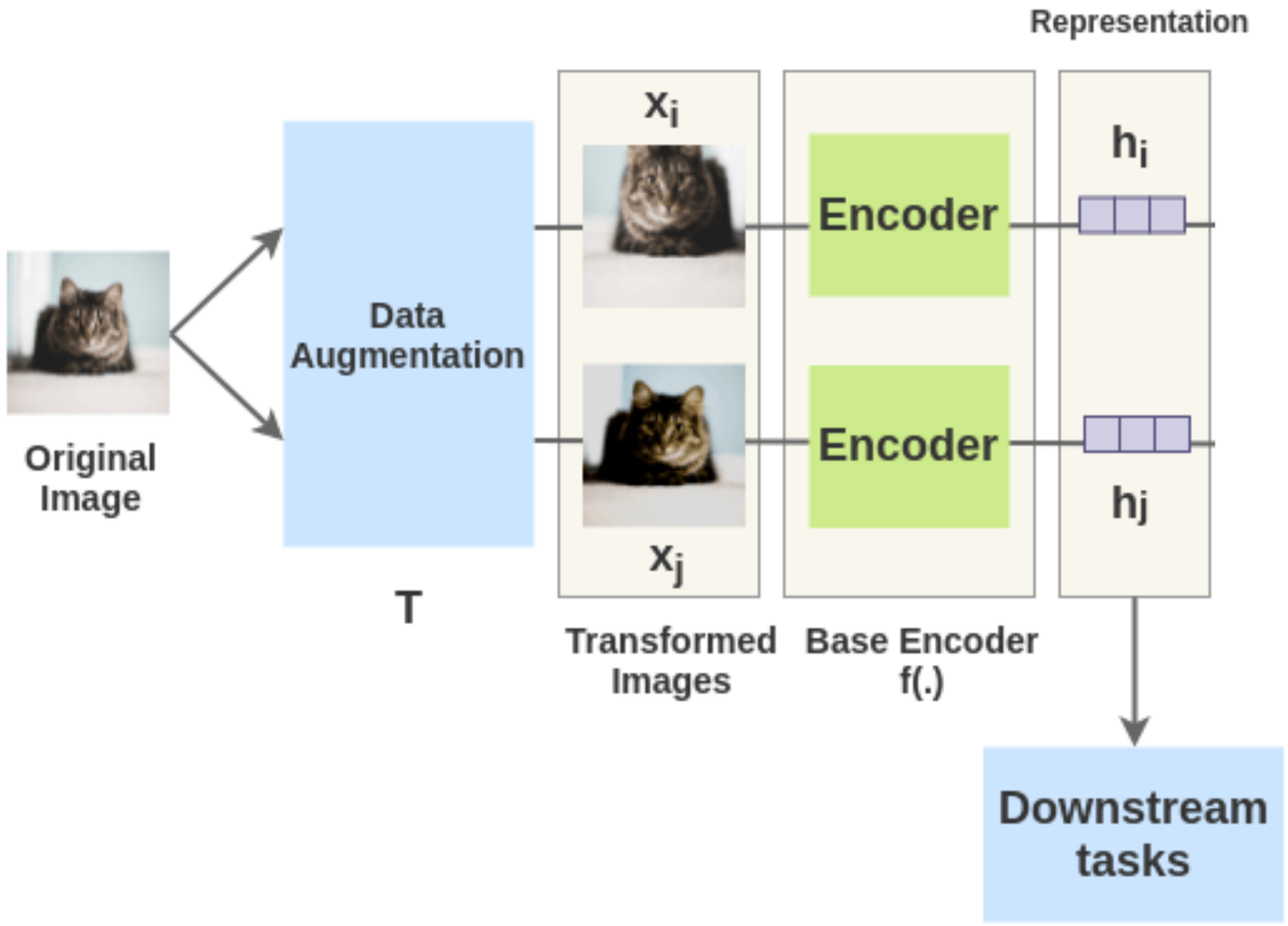

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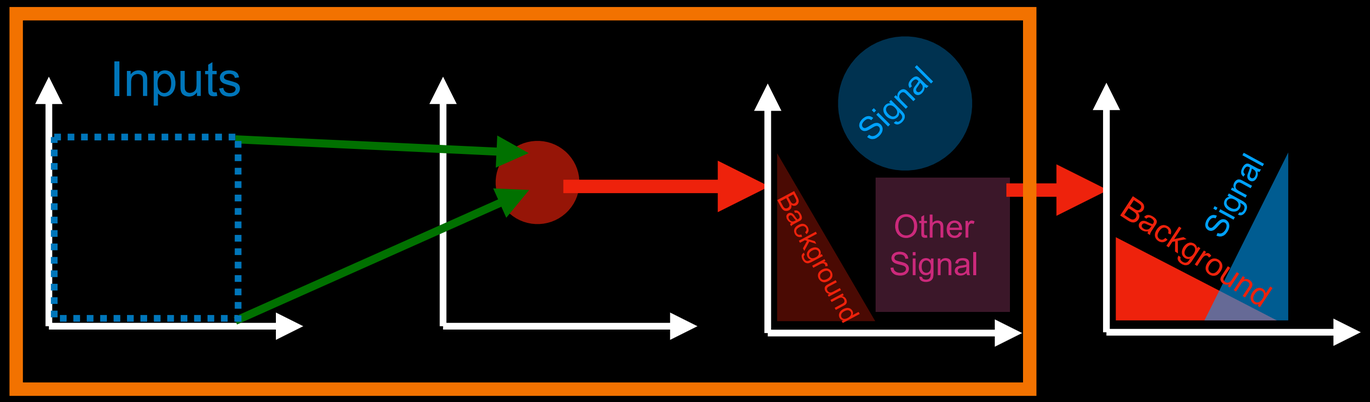

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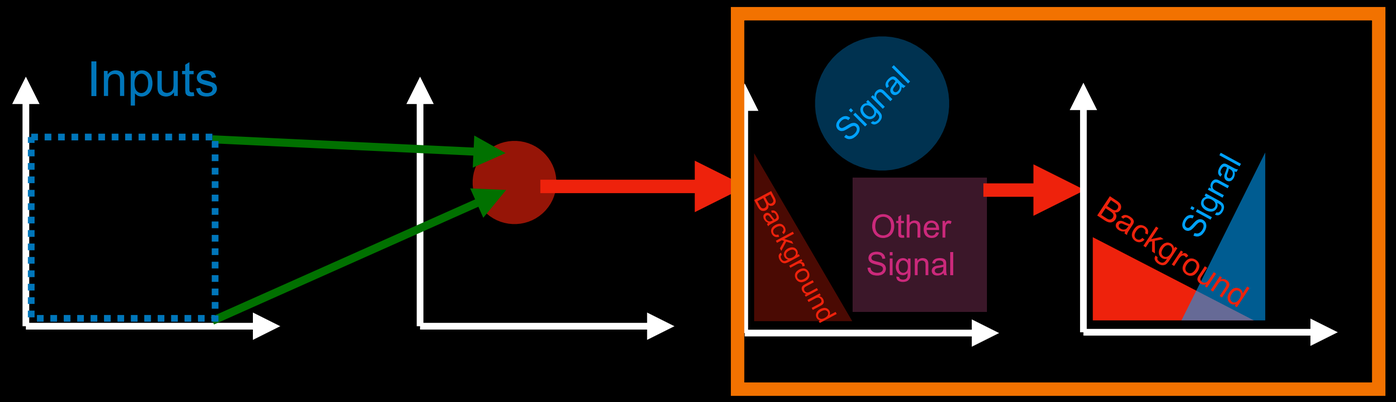

NN

Something
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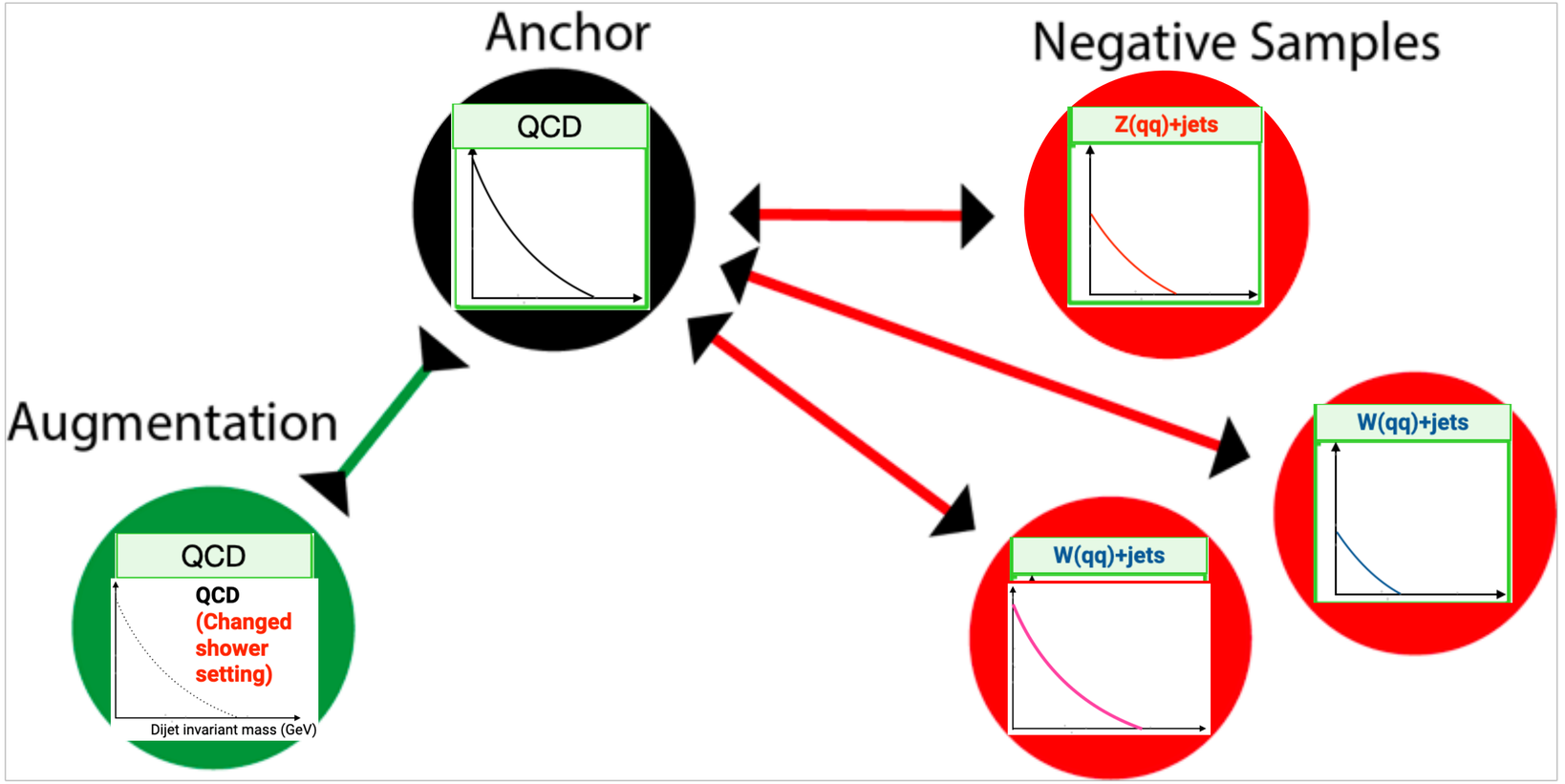
Physically motivated augmentations?



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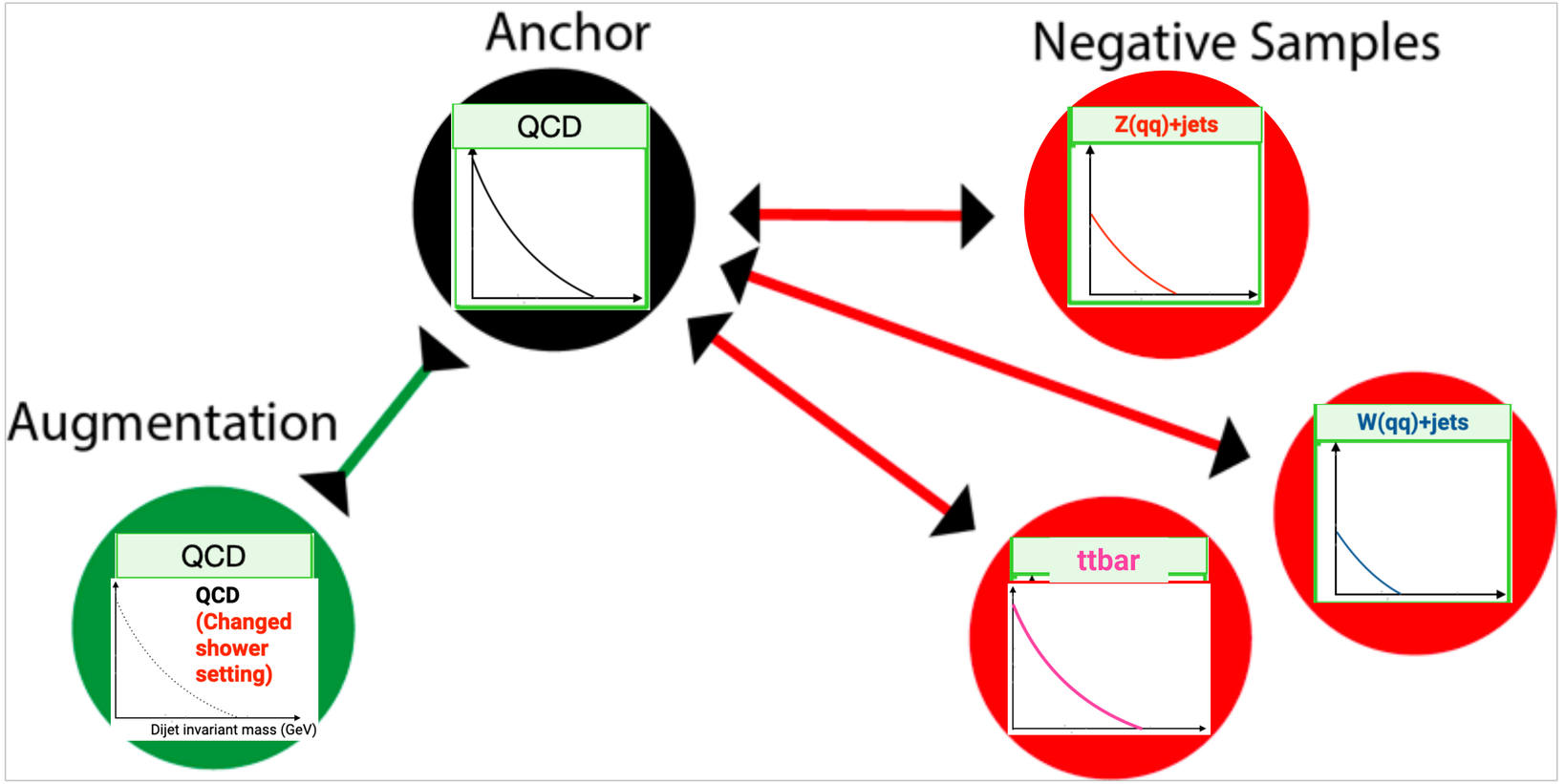

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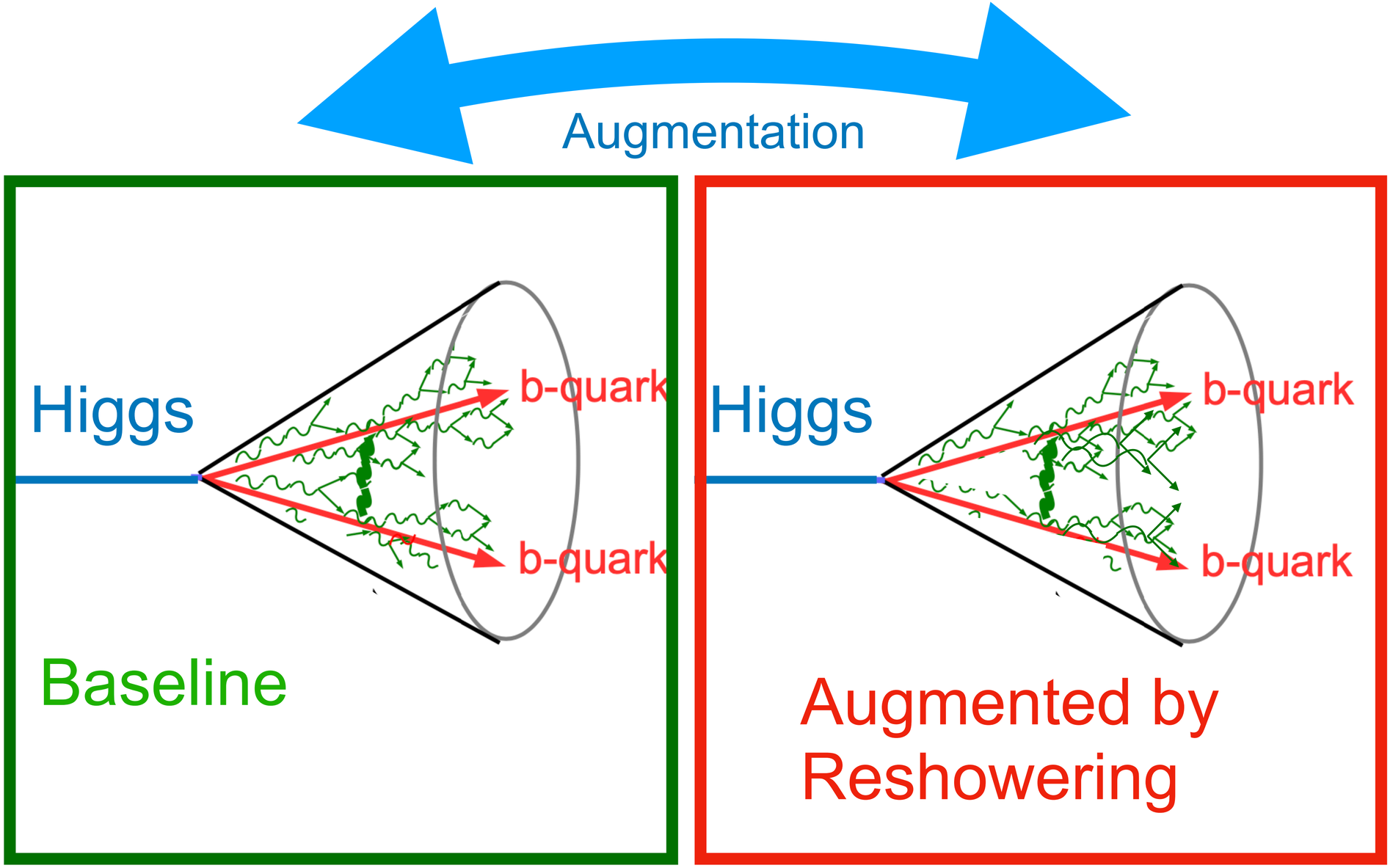

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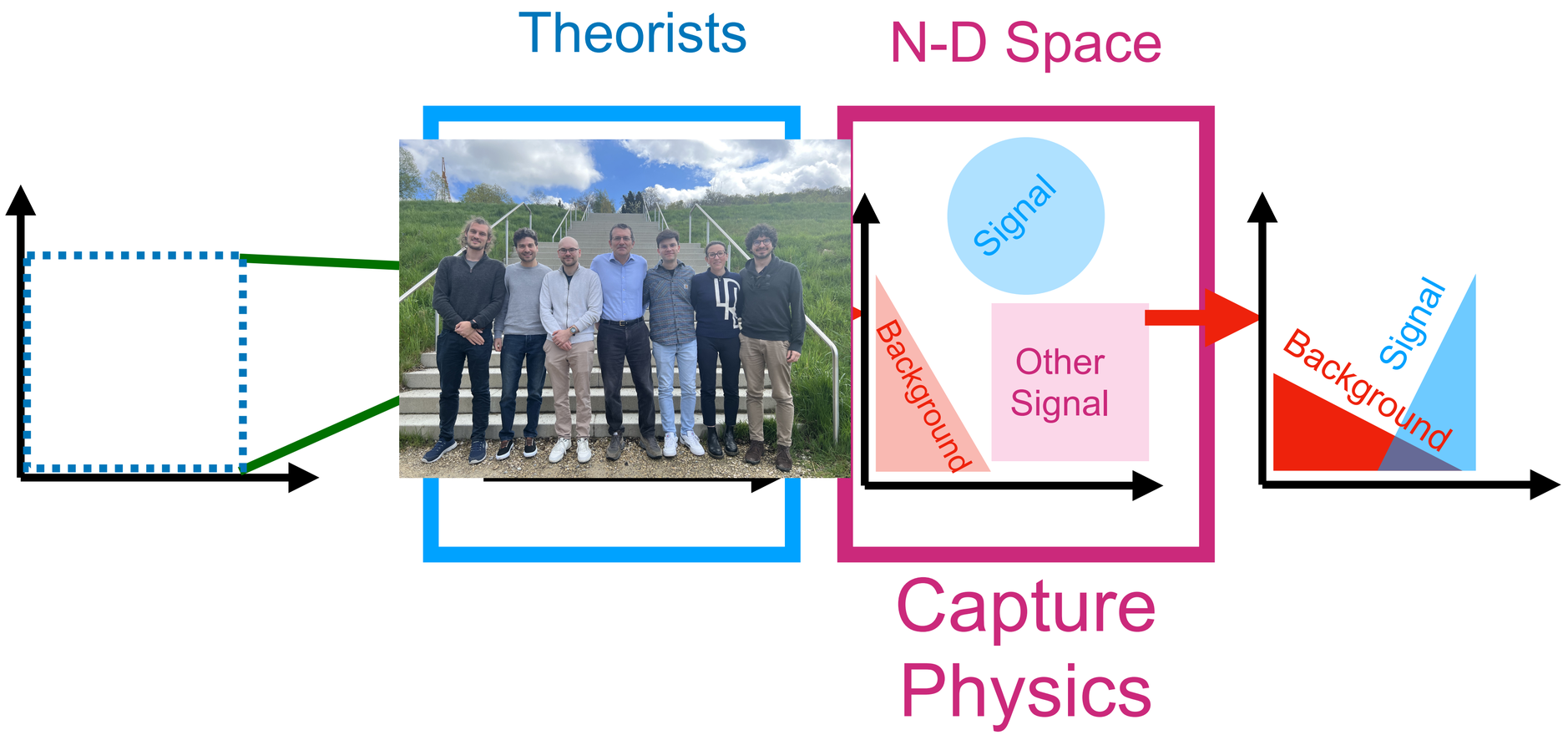
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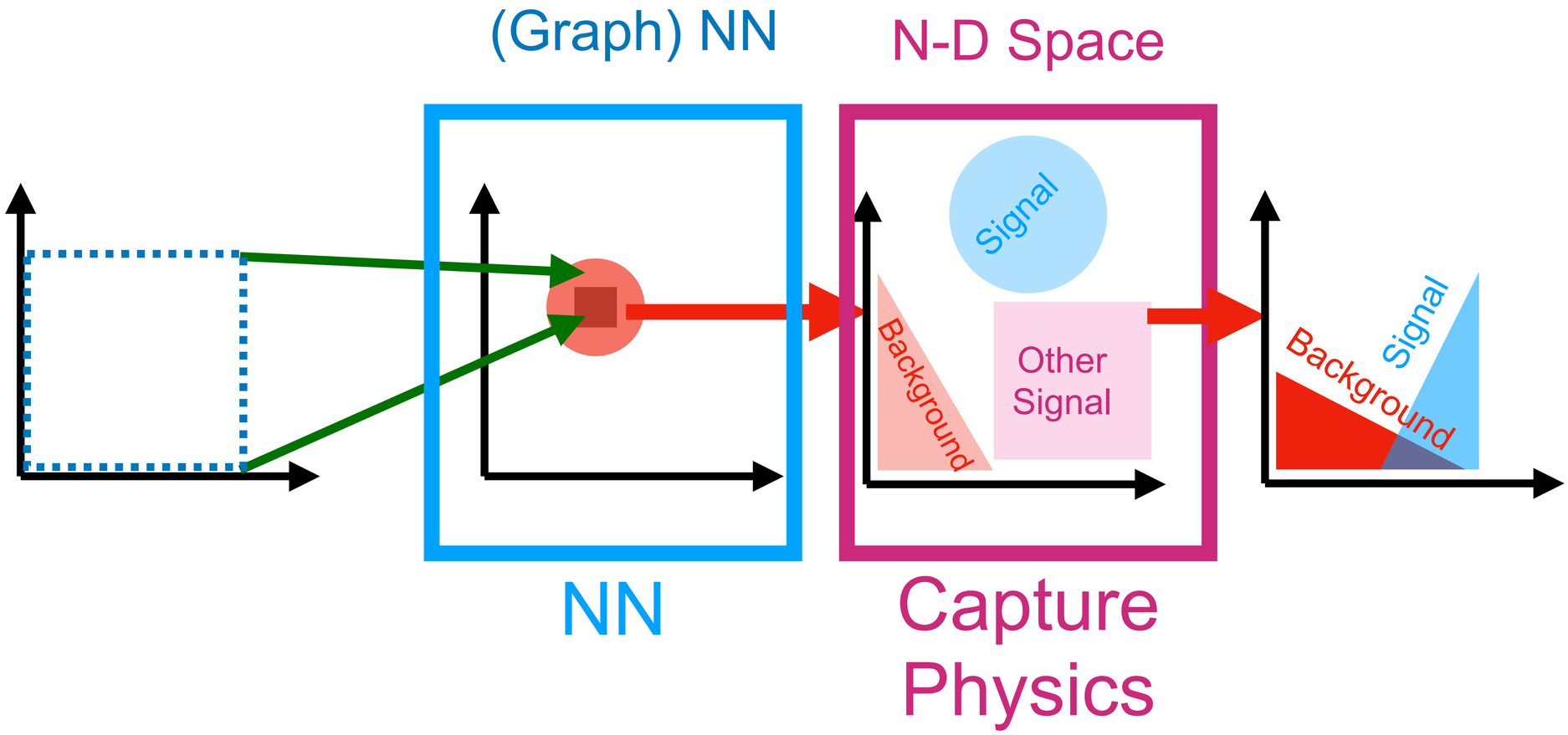
Physics

We can replace the QCD theorist with a NN
(And it works better)



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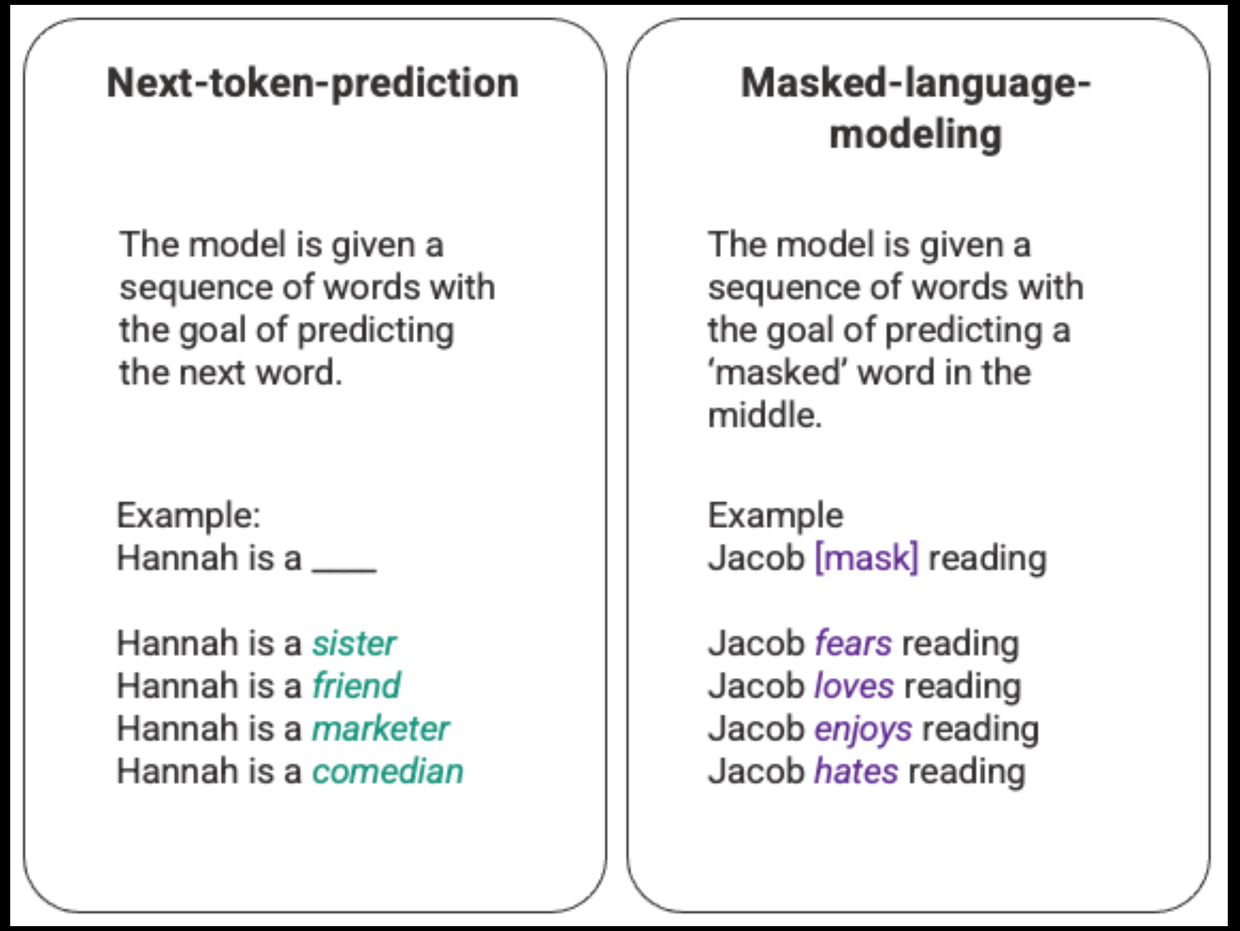

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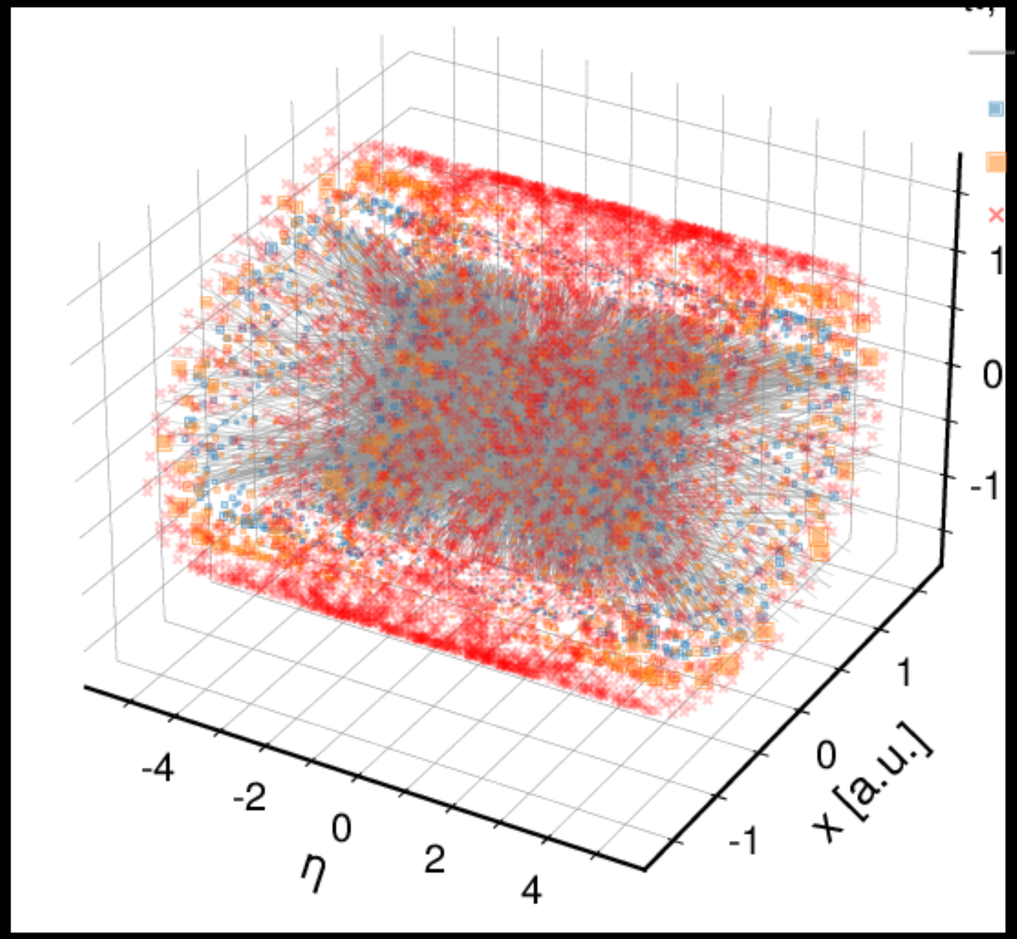

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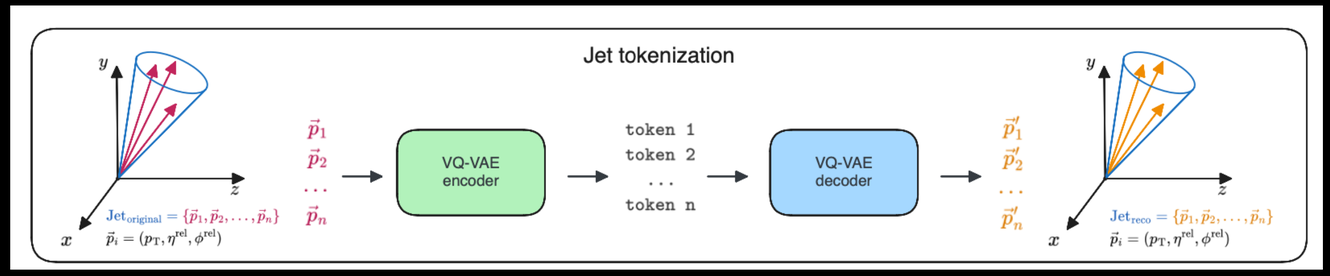

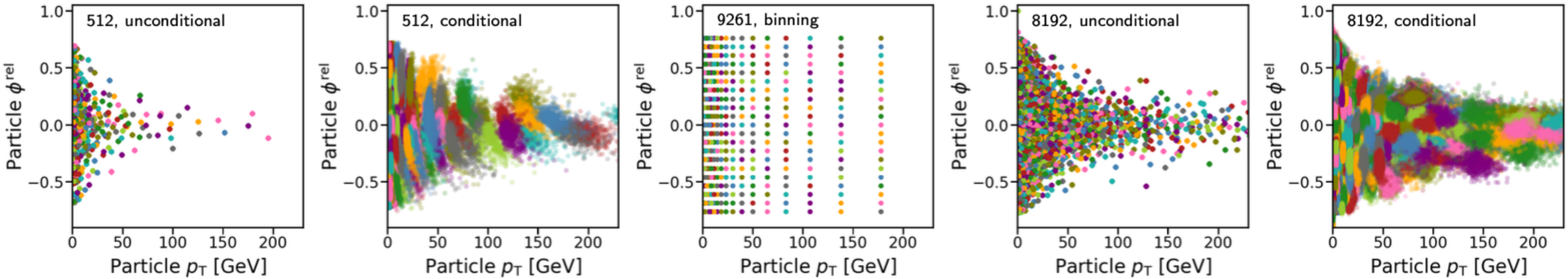

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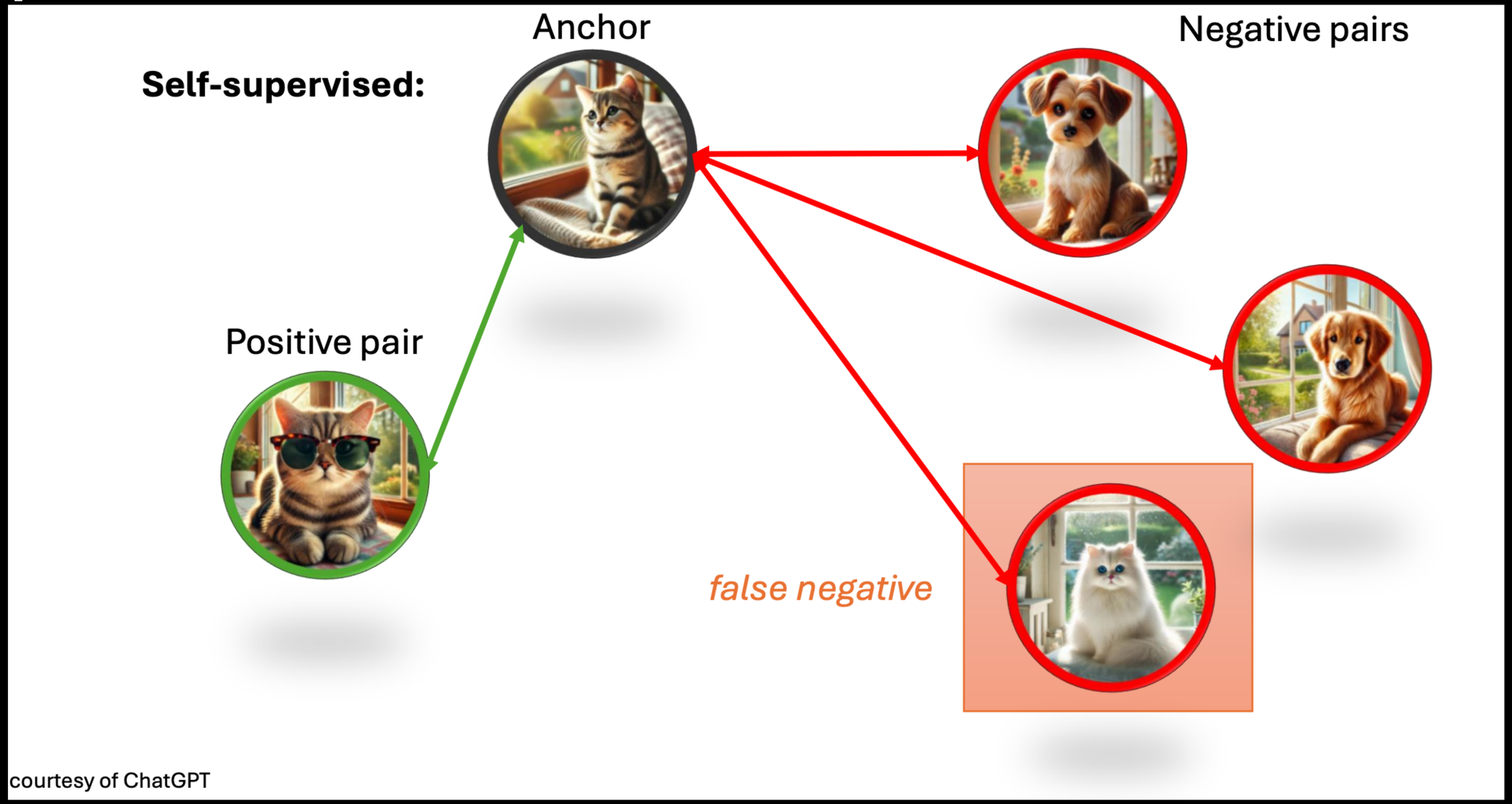

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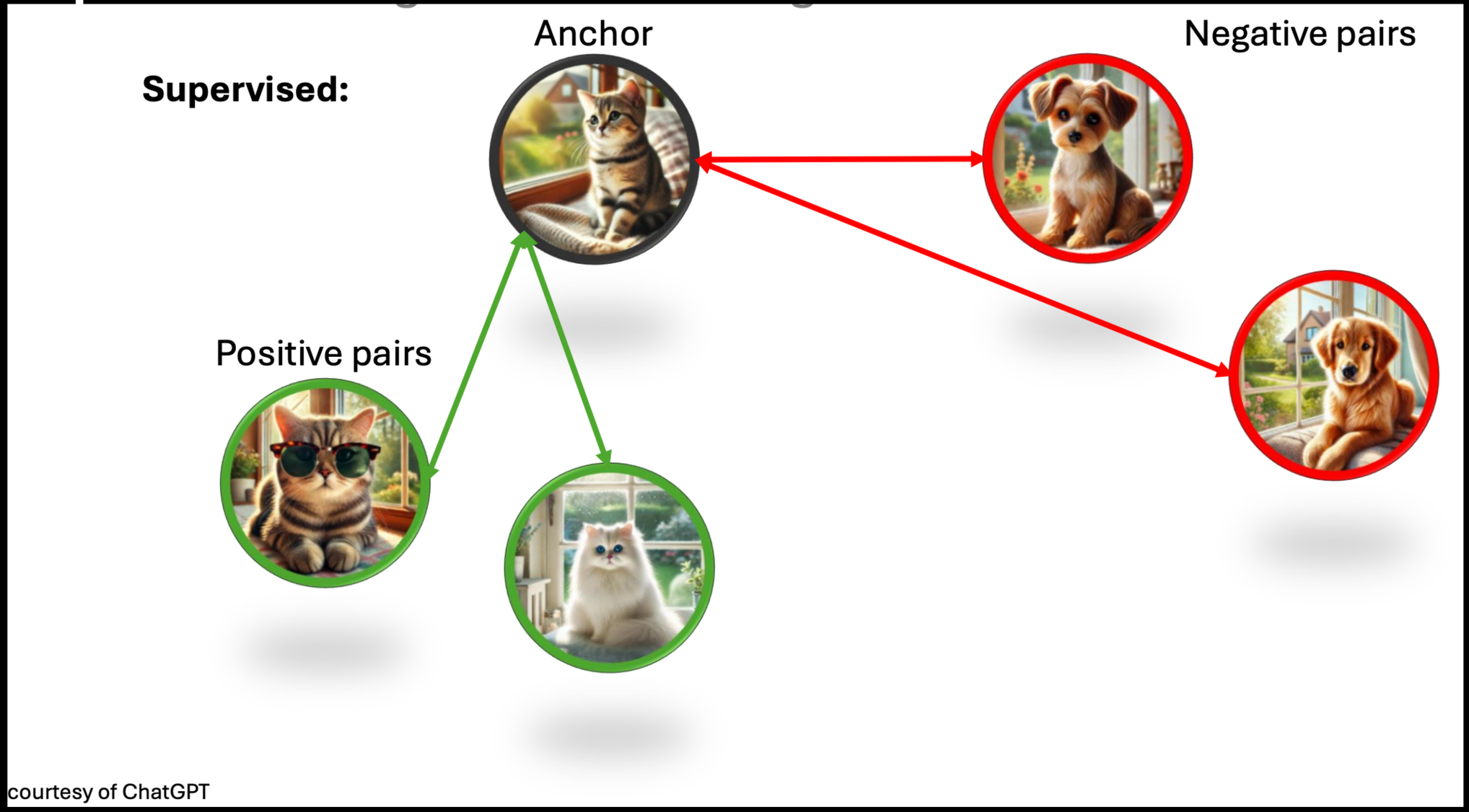

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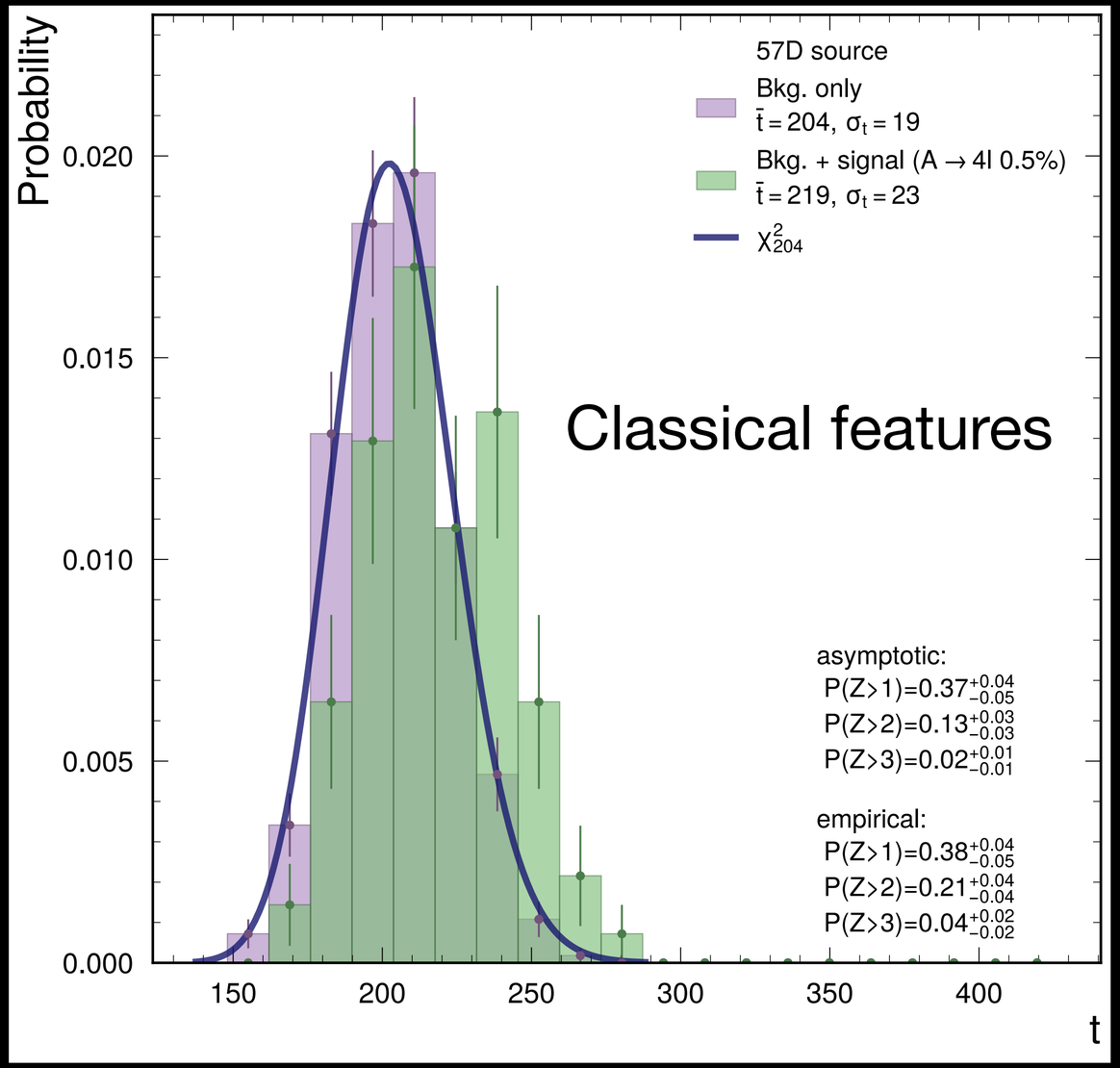

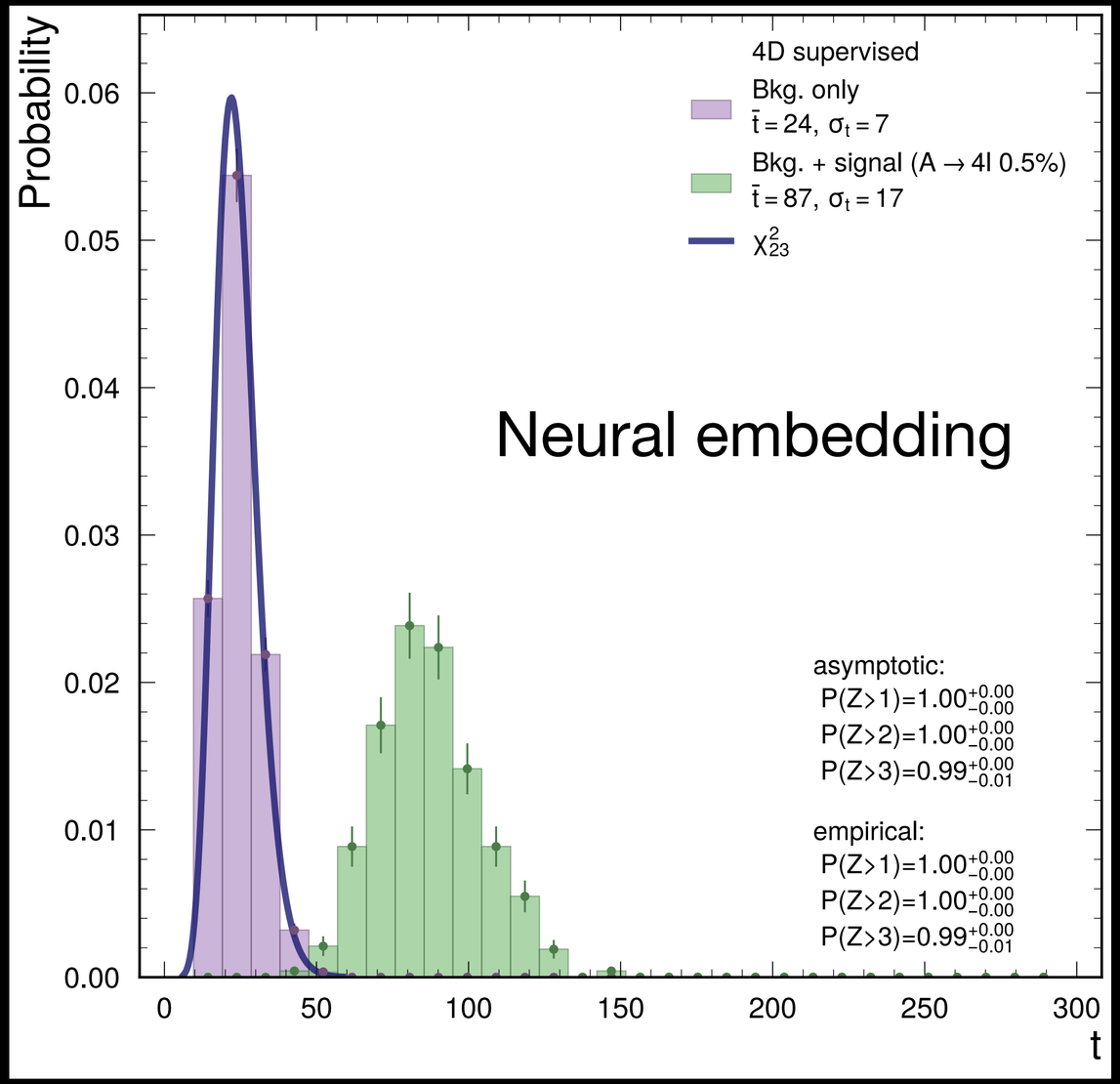

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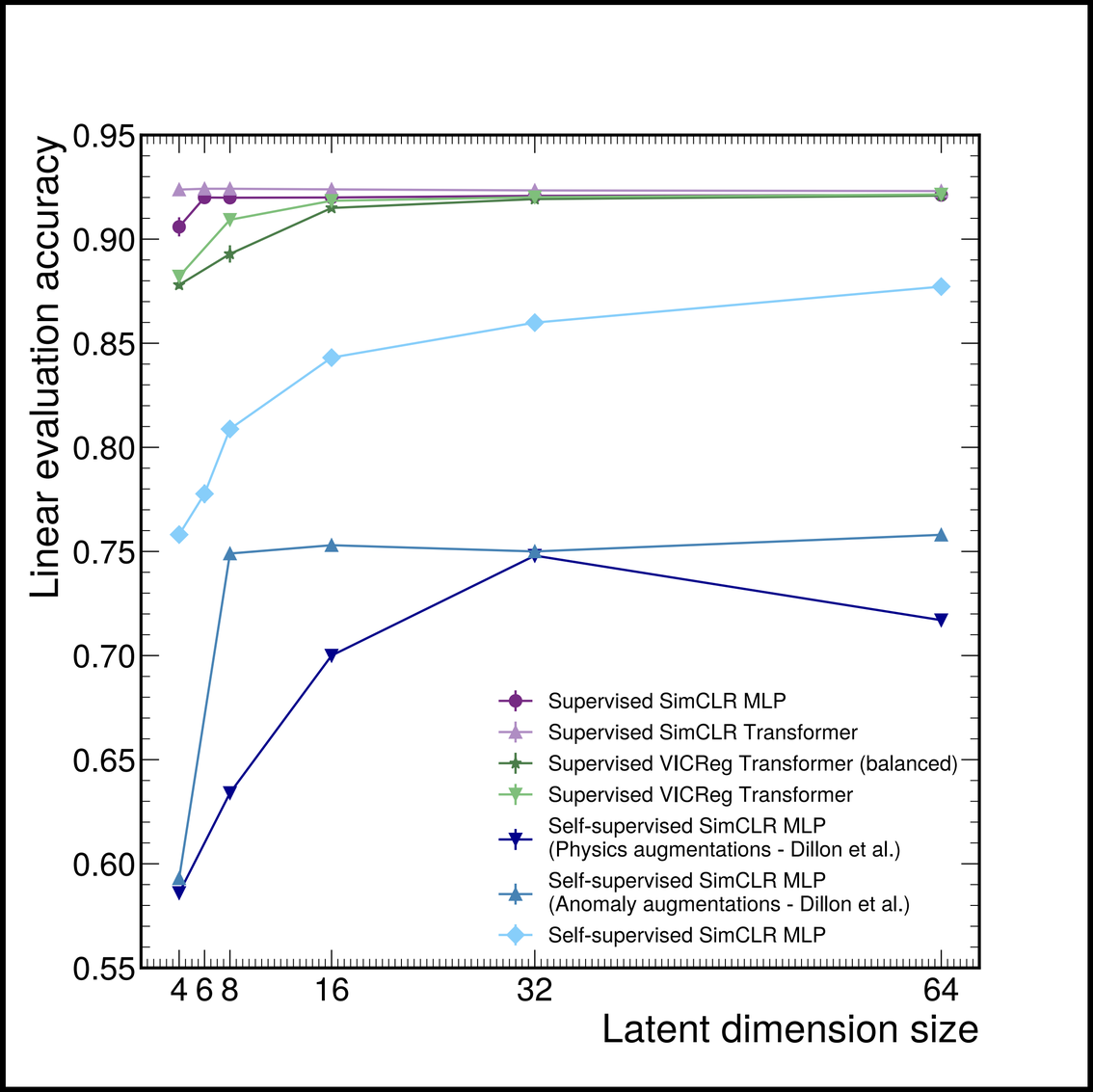

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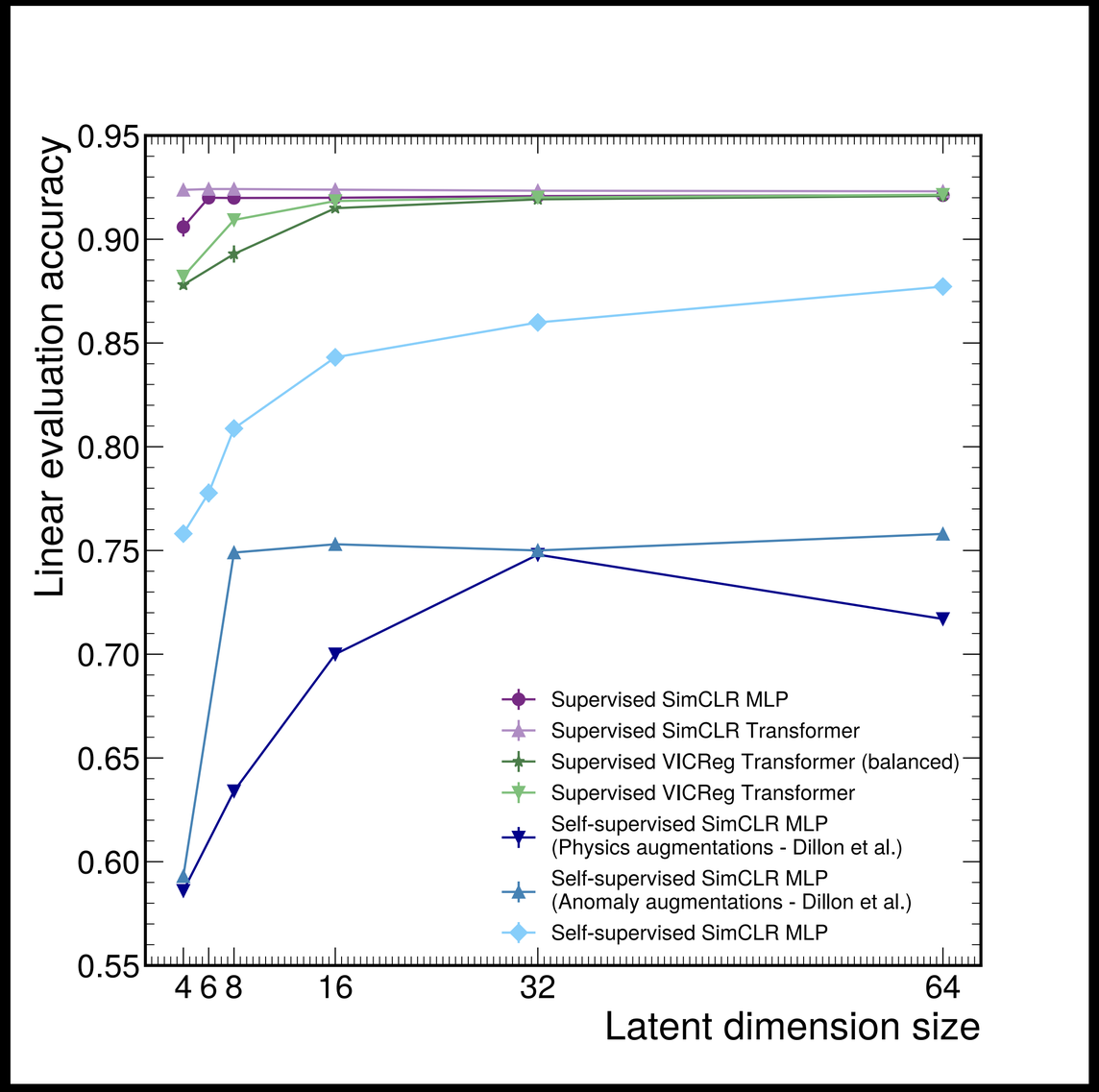
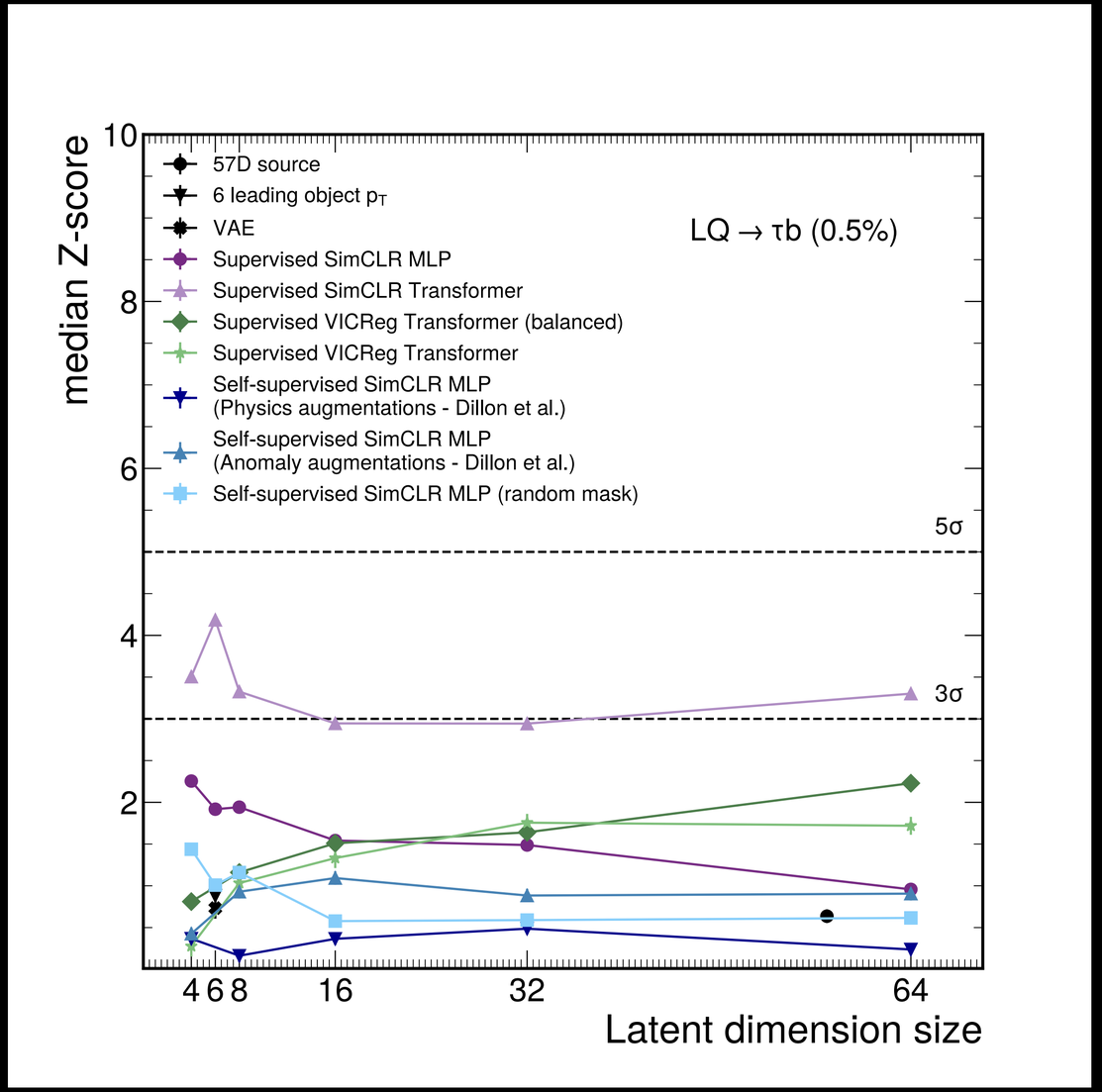
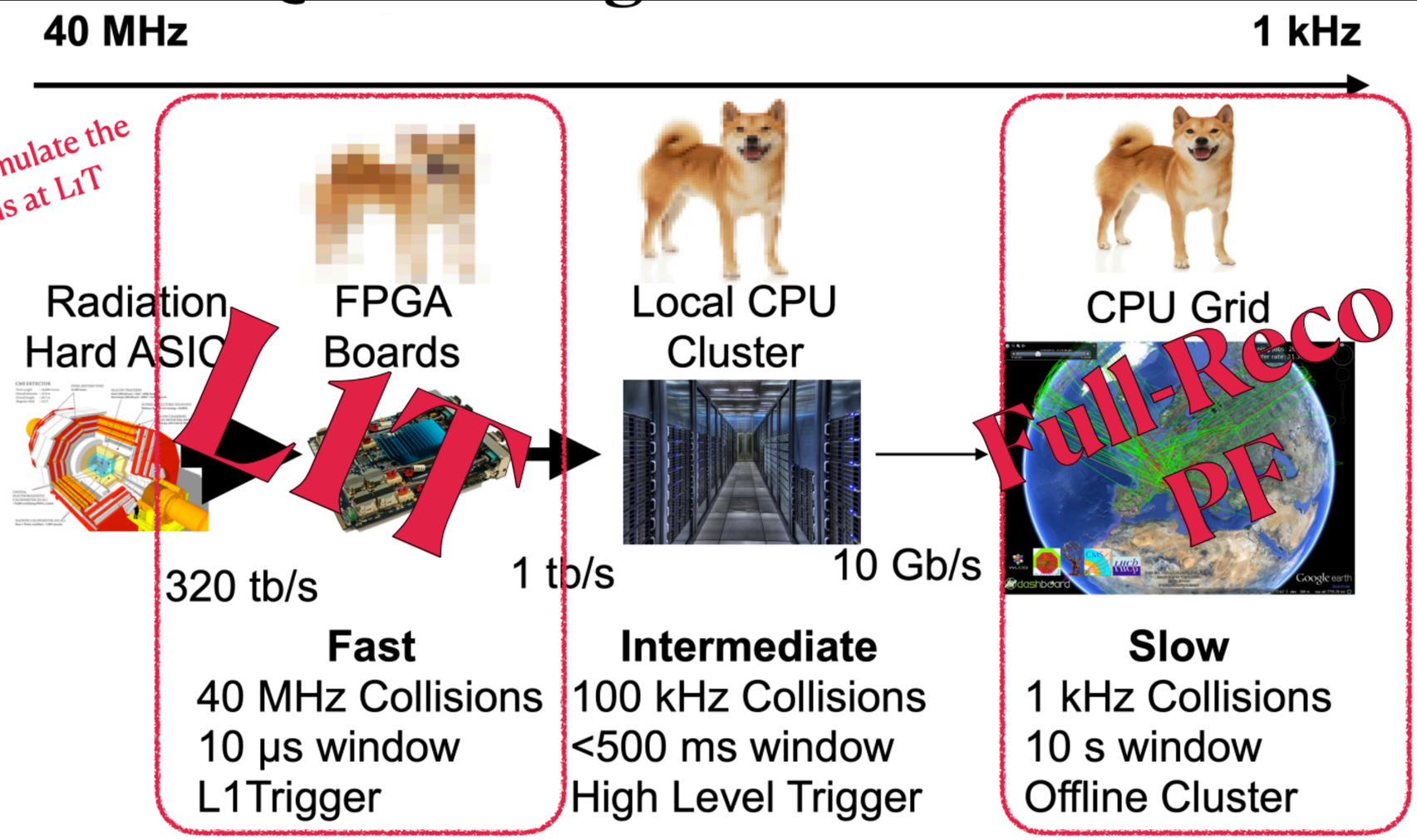




Collide-2V: A foundation model dataset

COLLIDE-2V

750 Million Dual-View LHC Event Dataset for Low-Latency ML



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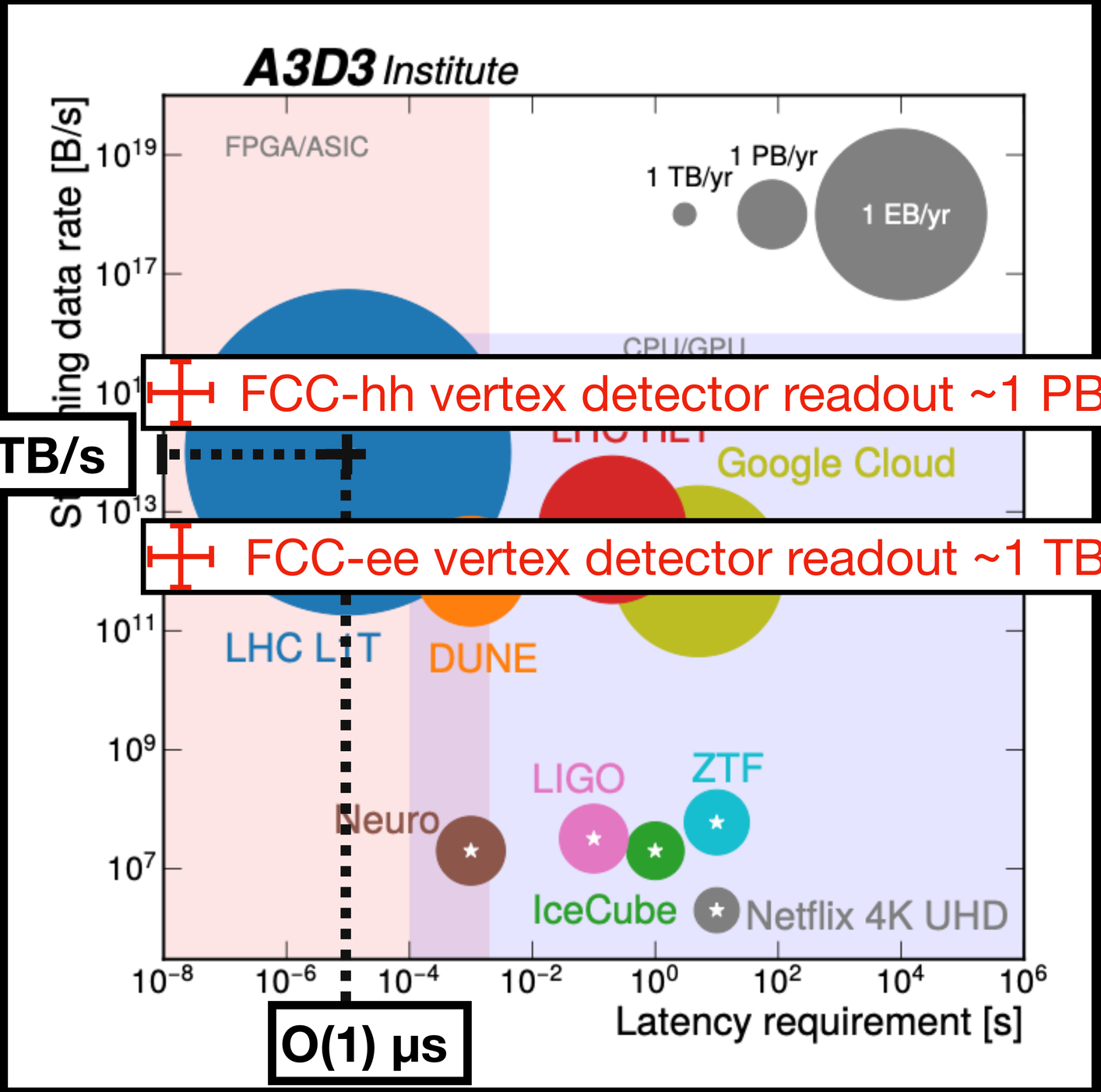
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IceCube
Netflix 4K UHD
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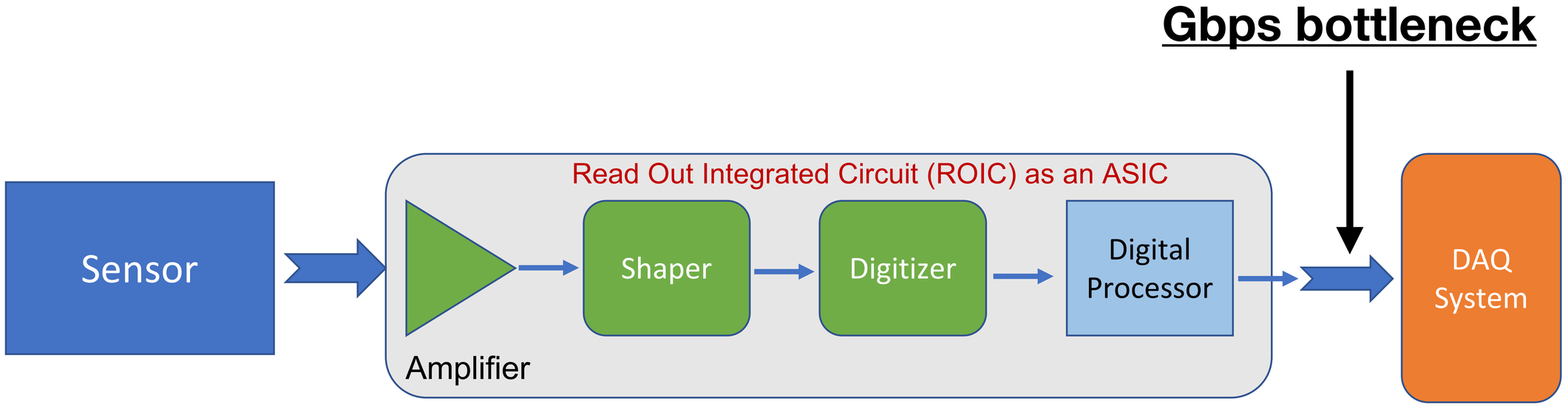
FCC-ee vertex detector readout ~1 TB/s
O(100) TB/s
O(1) µs
How much data goes through system
Time to process
Latency requirement [s]

This readout technology doesn’t (yet) exist!

Ultimate precision at future colliders could be bottlenecked by our data acquisition systems

Data readout bottleneck



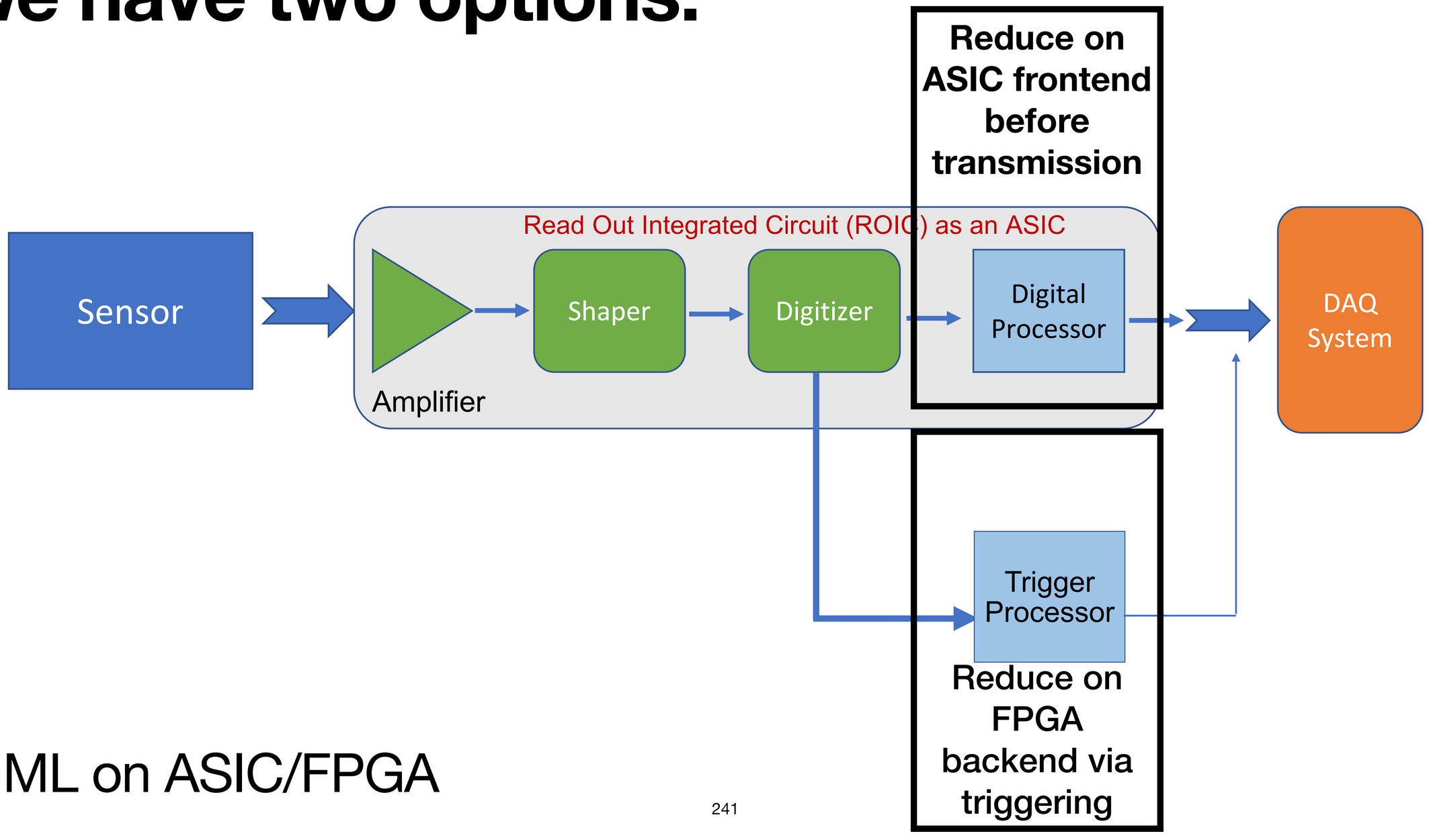
Example vertex detector inner layer from before (#241 FCC-ee):

32 bits pixel data in inner layer @ 200 MHz/cm^2

→ **24.4 Gbit/s**

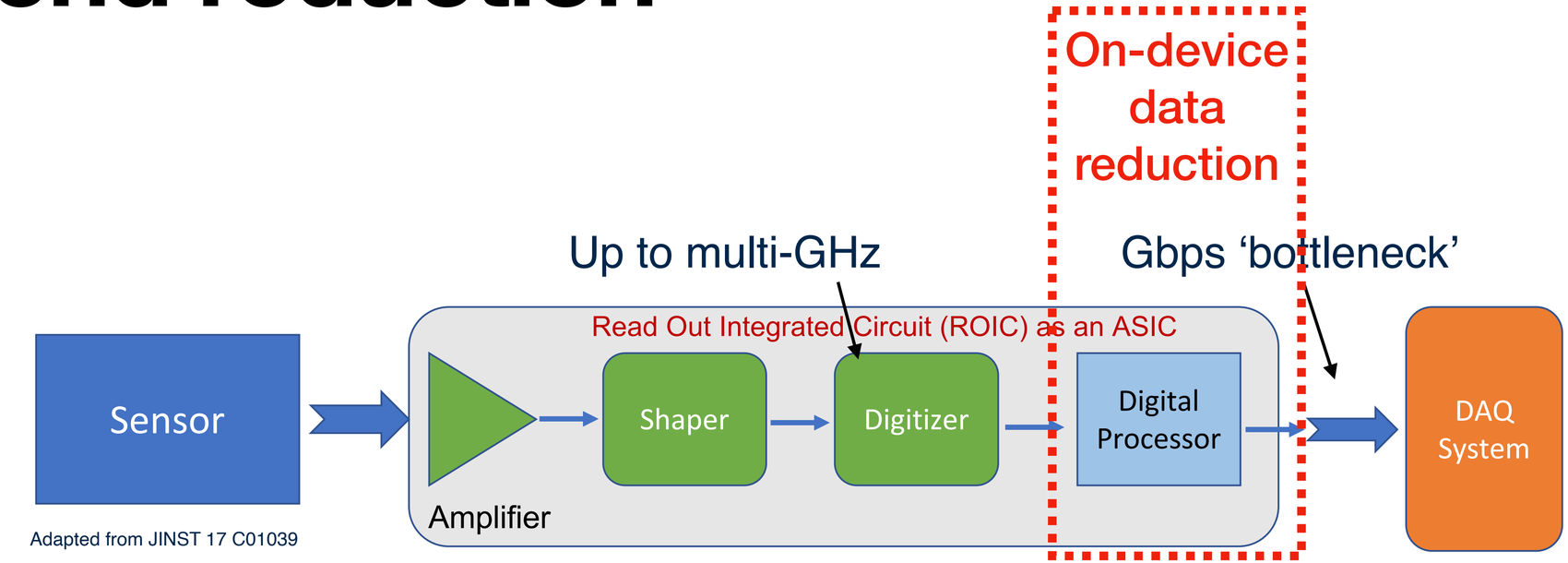
Current technology 3.2 - 6.4 Gbit/s

We have two options:



→ML on ASIC/FPGA

Frontend reduction



- highly granular detectors, background → high data transfer rate
- limited by **available bandwidth** of electrical and optical links
- 2 solutions: **frontend reduction** or **higher capacity** transfer

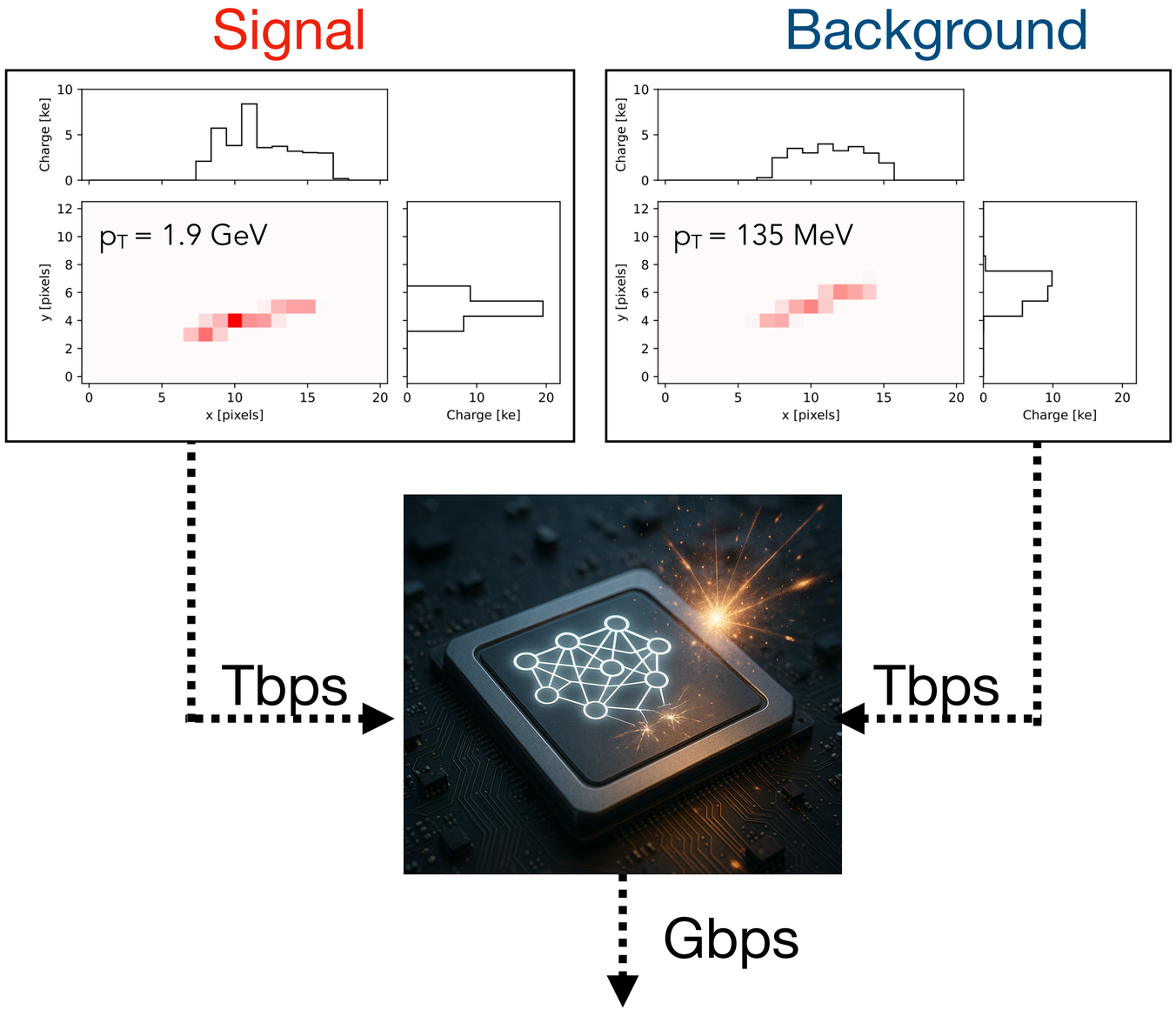
Intelligent frontends

Reduce on-detector

- **Subtle data patterns within single (pixel) layer! ML on ASIC** on-detector
  - filtering, and/or
  - featurizing
- **Challenges**

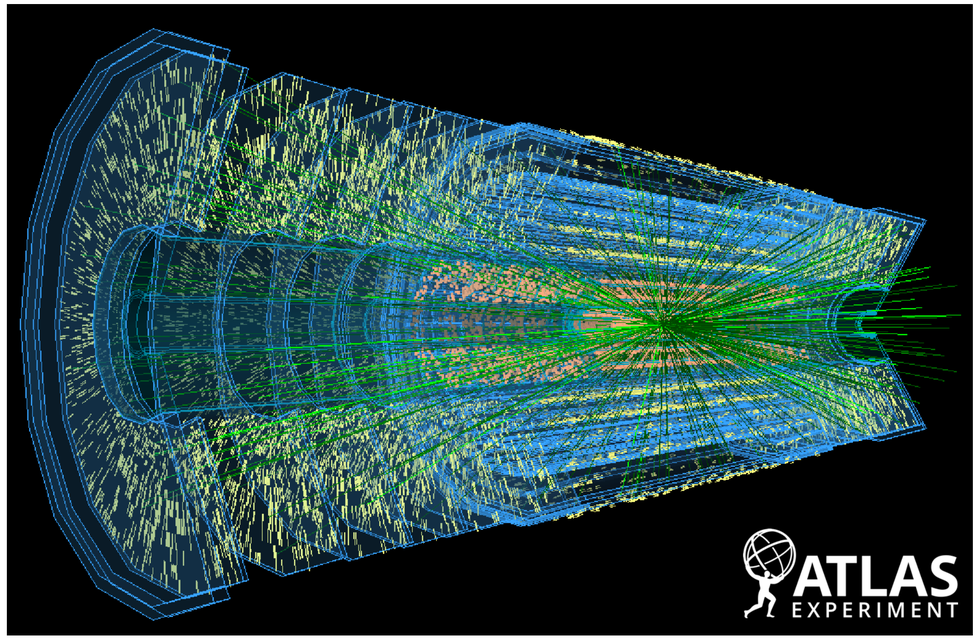
Metric	Simulation	Target
Power	48 mW	<100 mW
Energy / inference	1.2 nJ	N/A
Area	2.88 mm^2	<4 mm^2
Gates	780k	N/A
Latency	50 ns	<100 ns

  - Radiation hardness

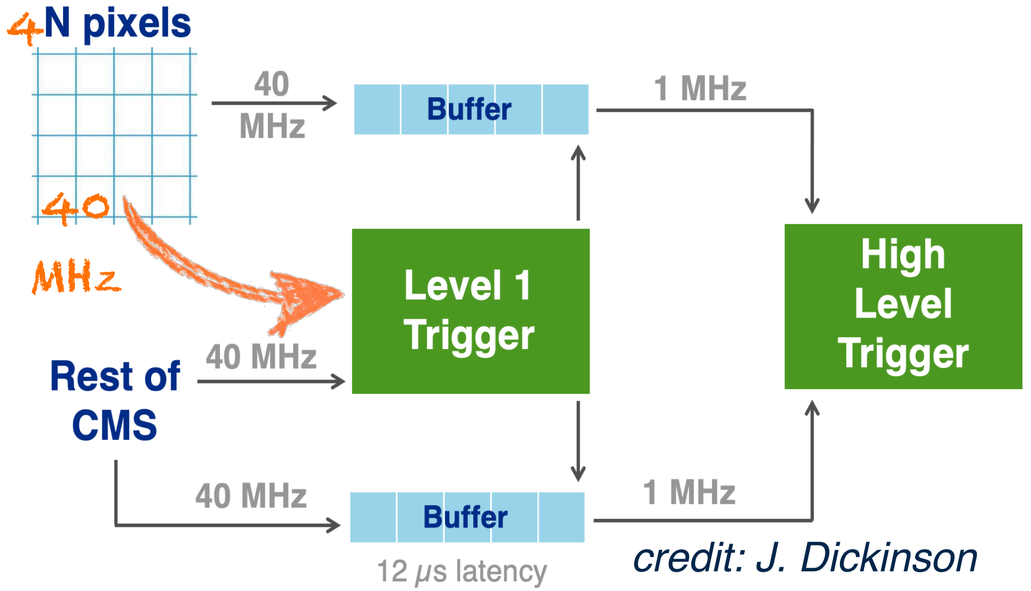


Smart Pixels

https://fastmachinelearning.org/smart-pixels/



- Reduce silicon data via **in-pixel intelligence**
  - **frontend filtering**: discard low-p_T track data (< 2 GeV)
  - **feature extraction**: Extract particle position and angle in pixel front-end ASICs from charge in single pixel layer
- Bandwidth savings of 57-75%!



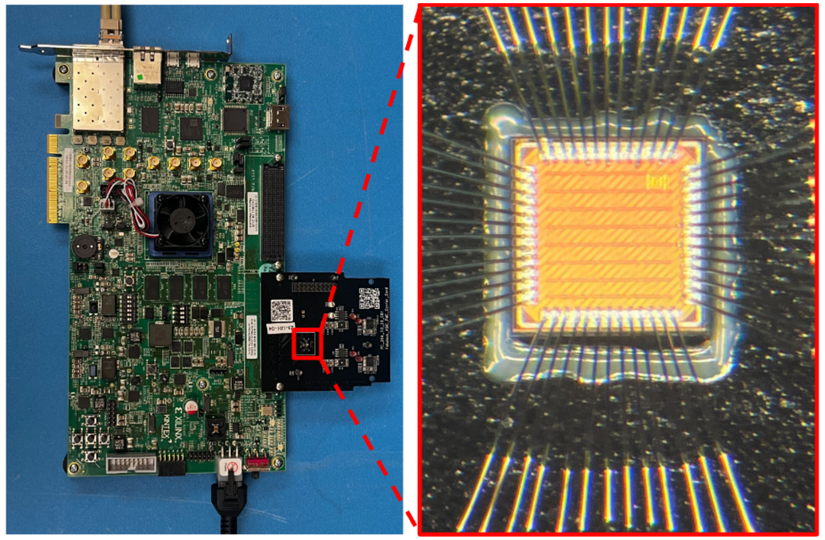
credit: J. Dickinson

Reconfigurable logic in ASIC design

The Embedded FPGA framework

- Pathway to implementing ML "at source”
  - Fully reconfigurable logic on detector frontend
- Open source (FABulous, OpenFPGA)
  - potential to apply to variety of subsystems/ fields (SuperKEKB, FCC-ee, DUNE, free-electron lasers)

28nm CMOS ASIC (1x1mm)



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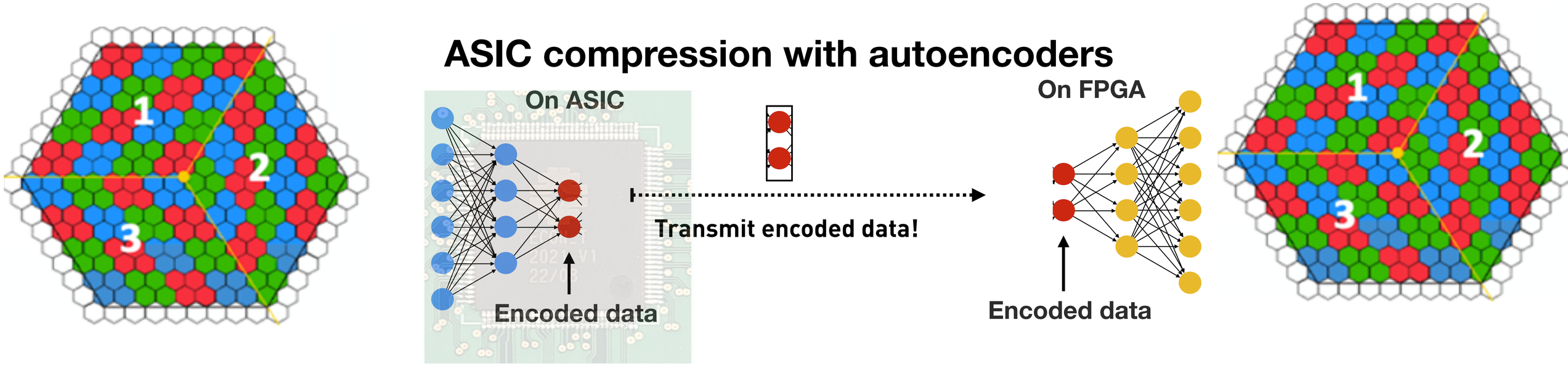
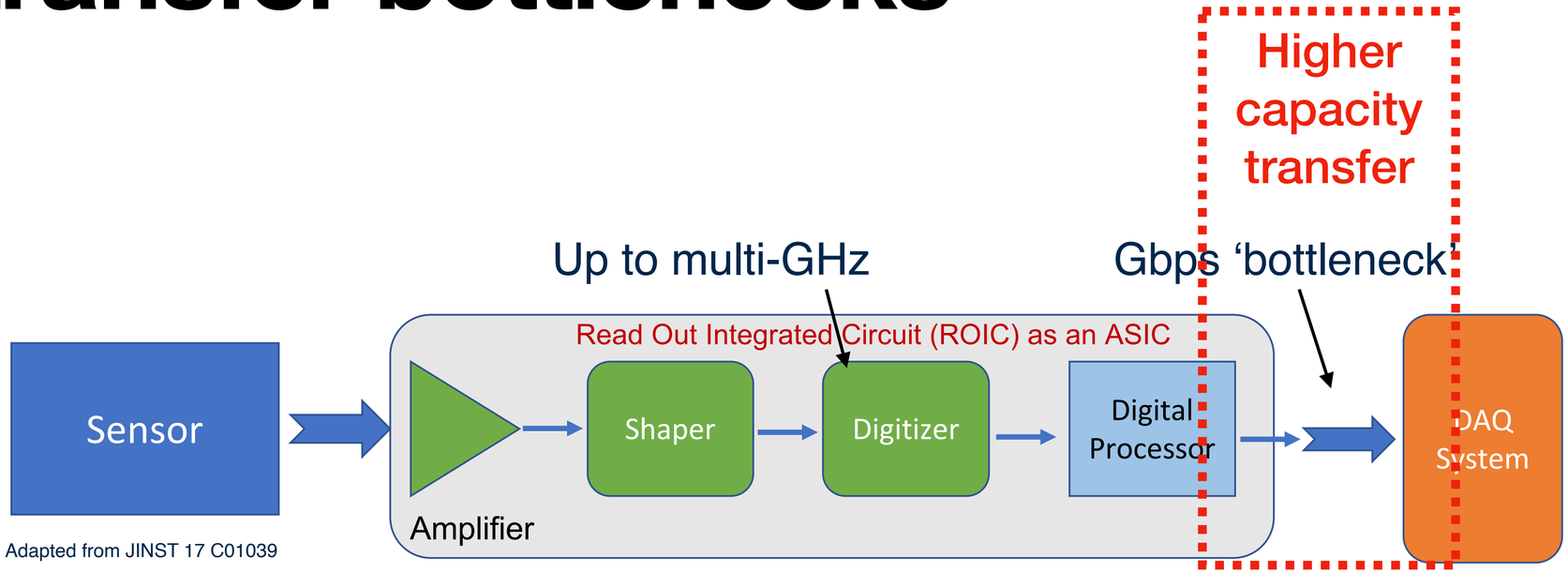
ML compression: Calorimeter data concentrator

10,000 ECONs with ML inside going live in HL-LHC



Di Guglielmo et Al, IEEE TNS 68.8 (2021)

Data transfer bottlenecks

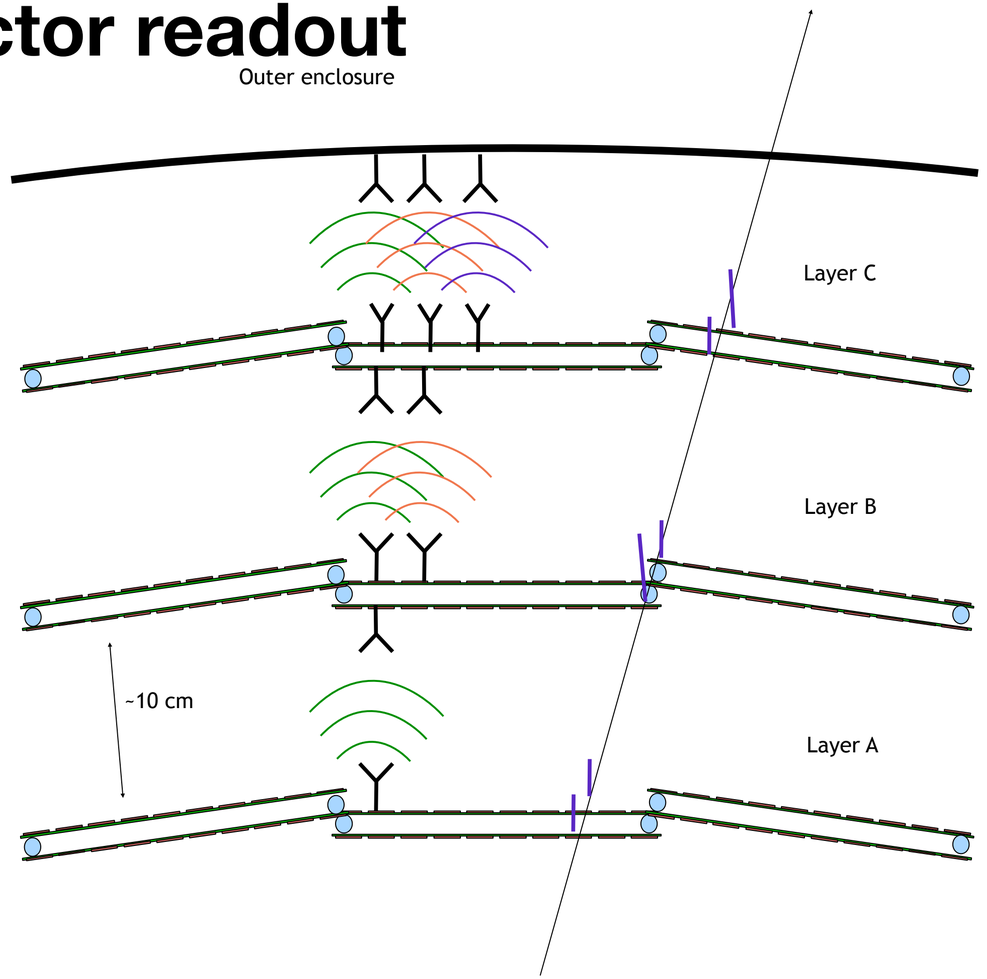


- 2 solutions: **frontend reduction** or **higher capacity** transfer

Wireless data transmission

Reducing material budget for detector readout

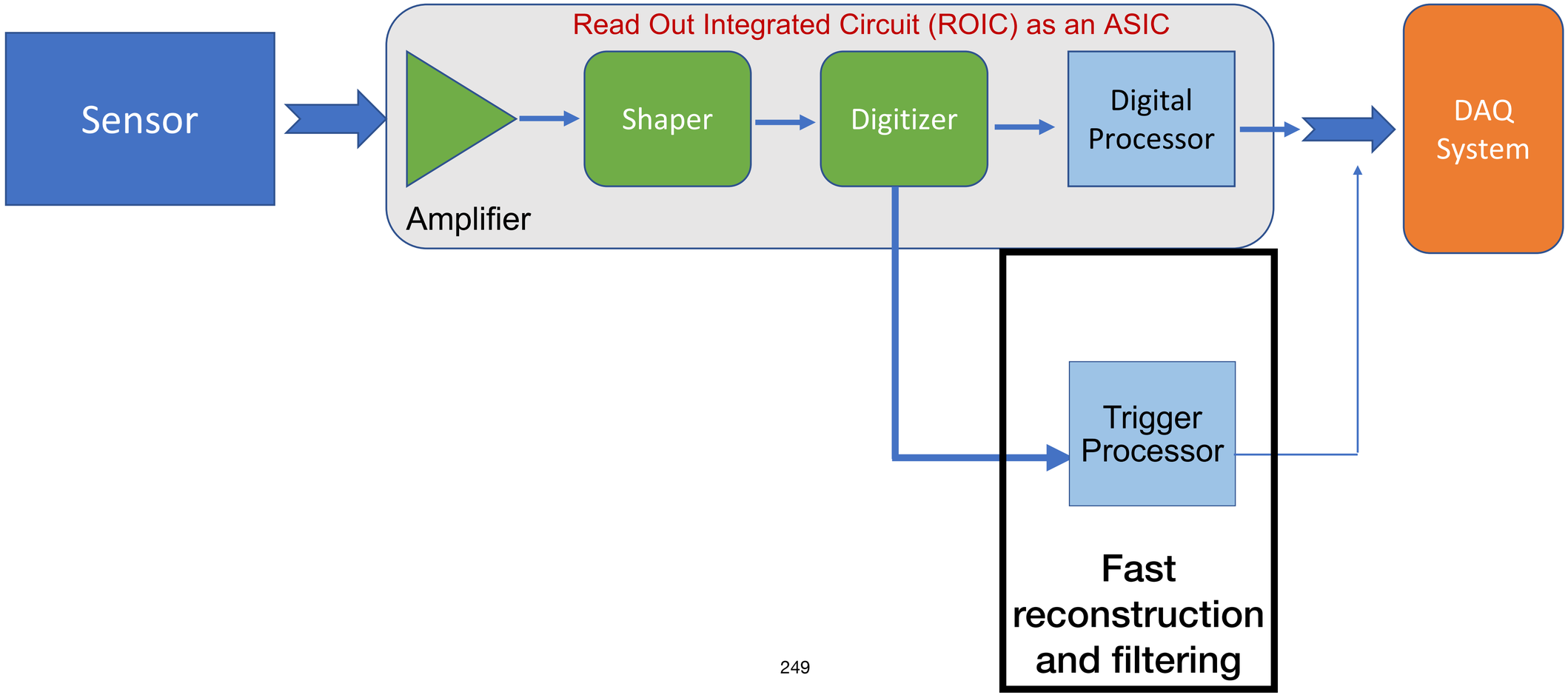
- Increase Gbps w/o increasing material
- Send single signal to several receivers, saves cabling
- Cost reduction, simplified installation/ repair, reduction in dead material
  - Especially important for future tracking detectors



Few Gbps possible with 802.11ac/ad WiFi!

Wireless Allowing Data And Power Transmission (DRD-7.1c)

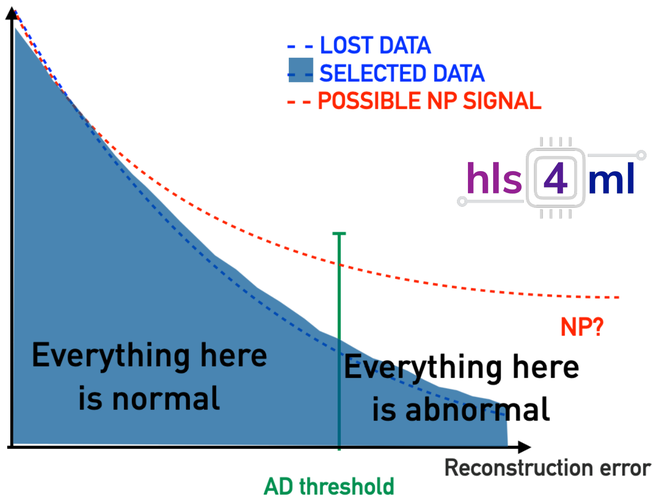
Intelligent back-ends



2024: Neural hardware triggers

CMS:

- Anomaly detection in 50 ns



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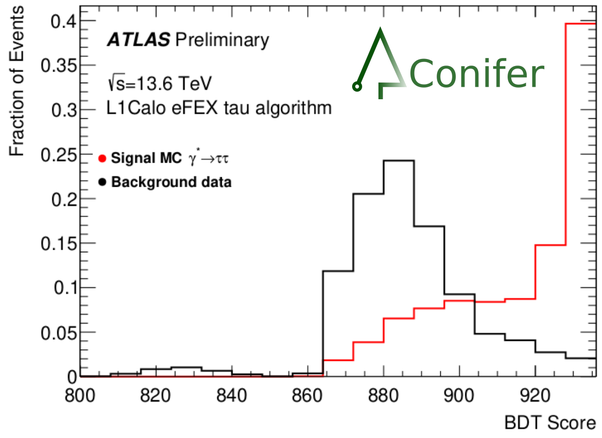
ATLAS:

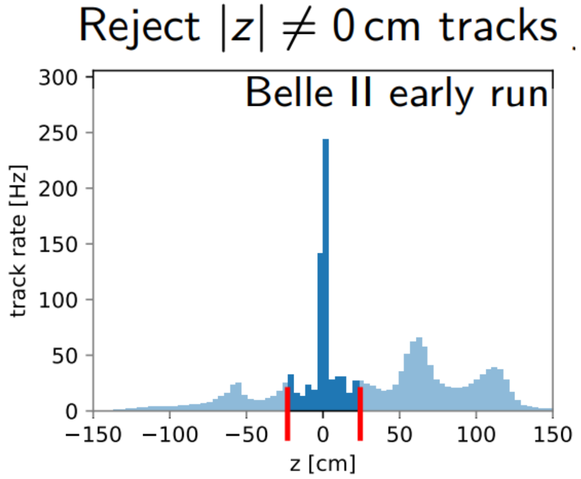
- BDT selecting candidate τ events in <100ns



L1CaloTriggerPublicResults

Belle-2:

- Neural track trigger since April 2021



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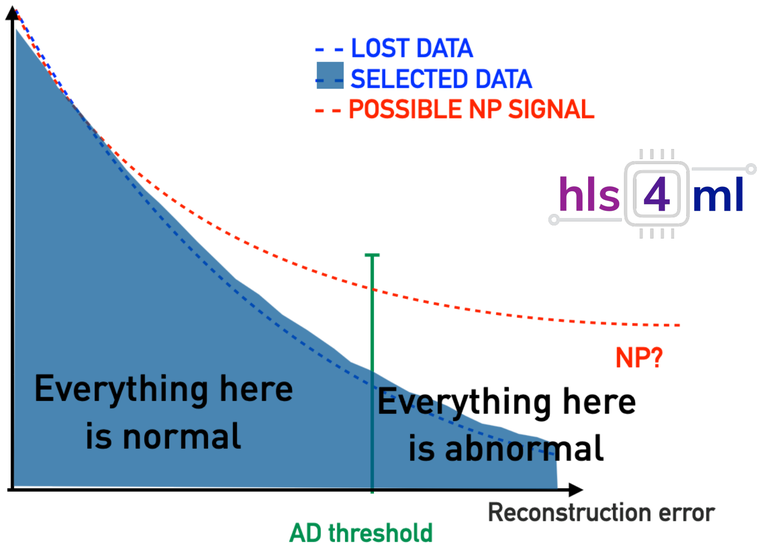
2024: Neural hardware triggers making decisions in LHC experiments!

CMS Experiment:

- Anomaly detection in 50 ns
- 300 events/second



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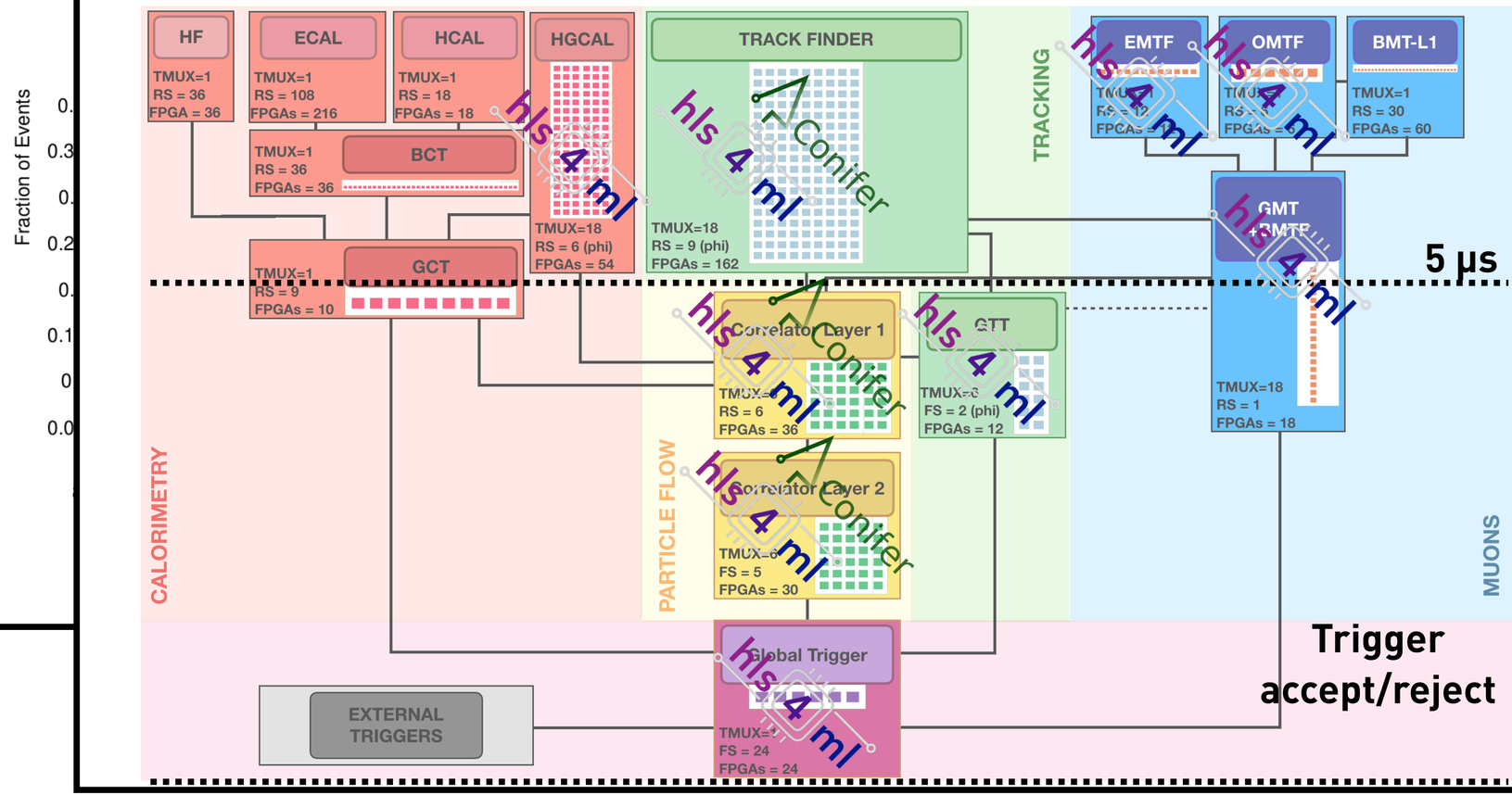
ATLAS Experiment:

- BDT selecting candidate τ lepton events in <100 ns

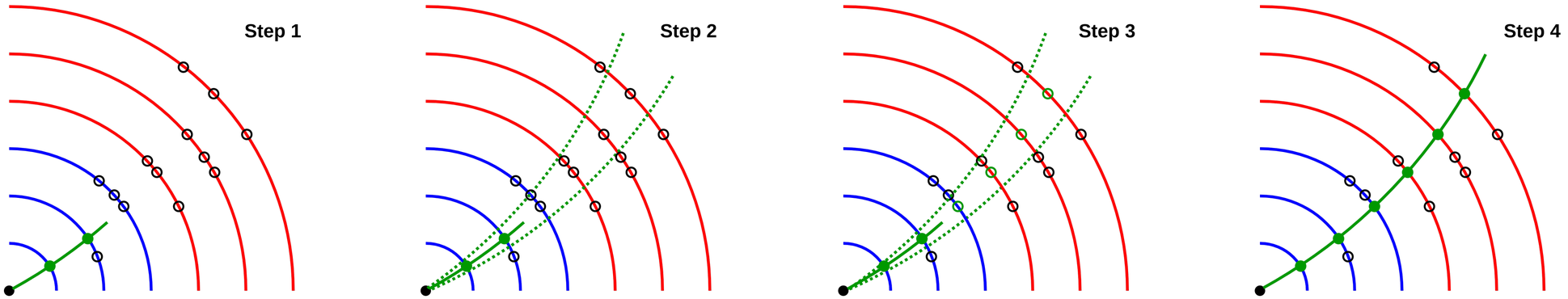
2031: ~20 billion inferences/s during HL-LHC



C. Brown, Vertex2023

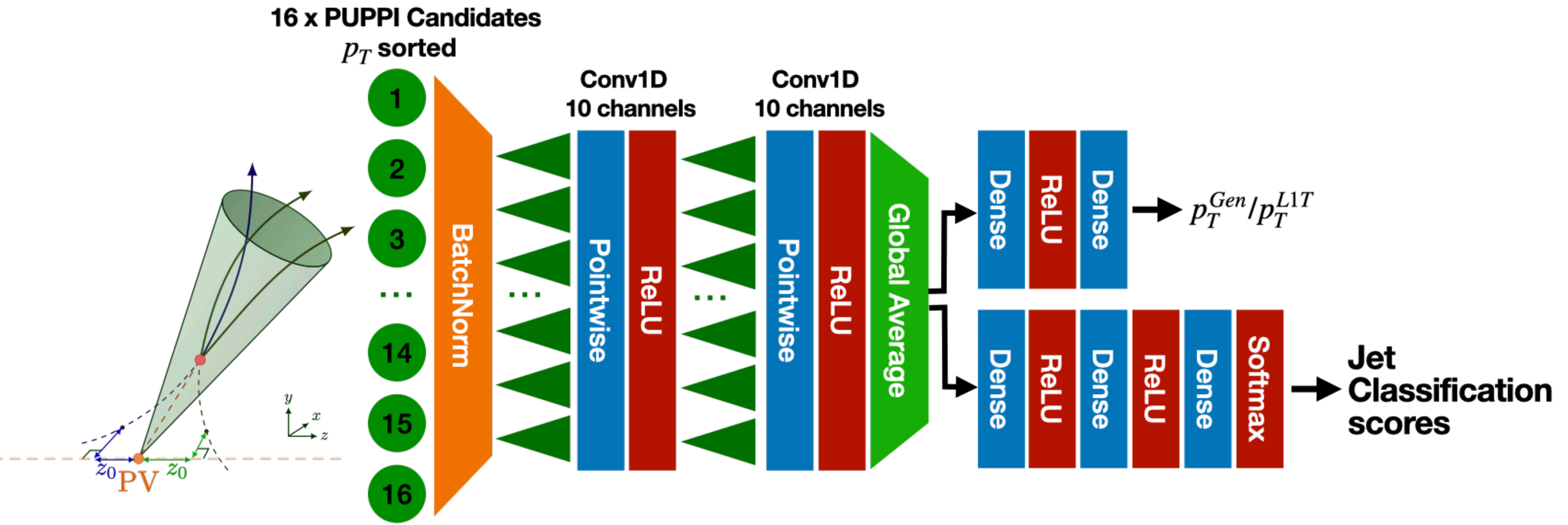
Real-time tracking

- HL-LHC CMS will read out tracks with p_T>2 GeV and run L1 track reconstruction
  - reduce rate by x10 by filtering low momentum hits
  - Offline like reconstruction: track seeding, building and Kalman Filter to identify final track candidates and determine track parameters
  - Track quality with BDT implemented with Conifer



- ….. **in 3.4 μs!**

Hardware jet building and flavour tagging



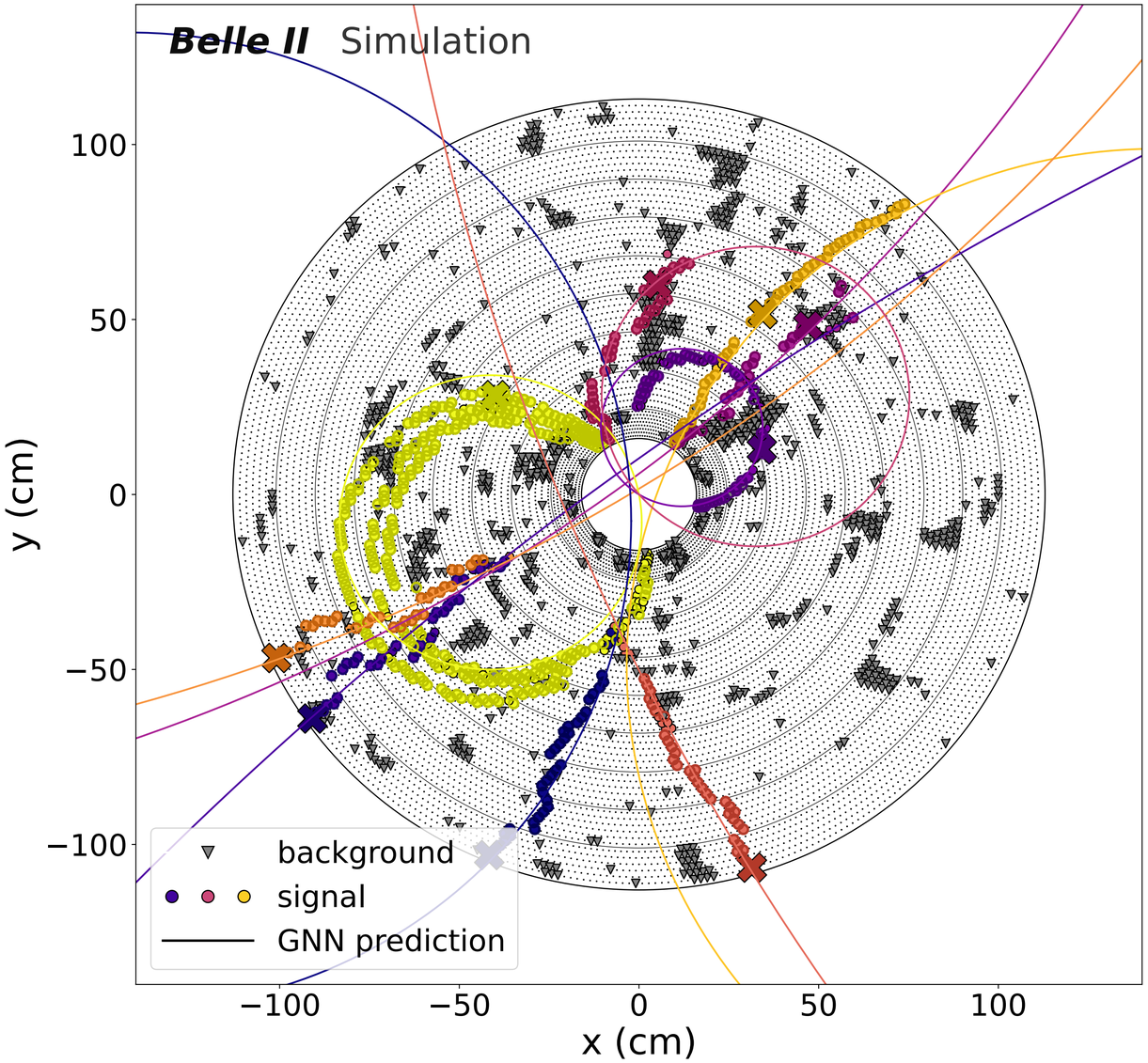
HL-LHC CMS will run with

FPGA track finding, particle flow, jet clustering and flavour tagging in < 12 μs

Real-time track triggers

BELLE-II

- Belle-2 uses neural track hardware trigger for reconstruction of vertex, and azimuthal and polar angles of single particle track
- ML for GNN-based offline tracking
  - Work ongoing on bringing this to the hardware trigger



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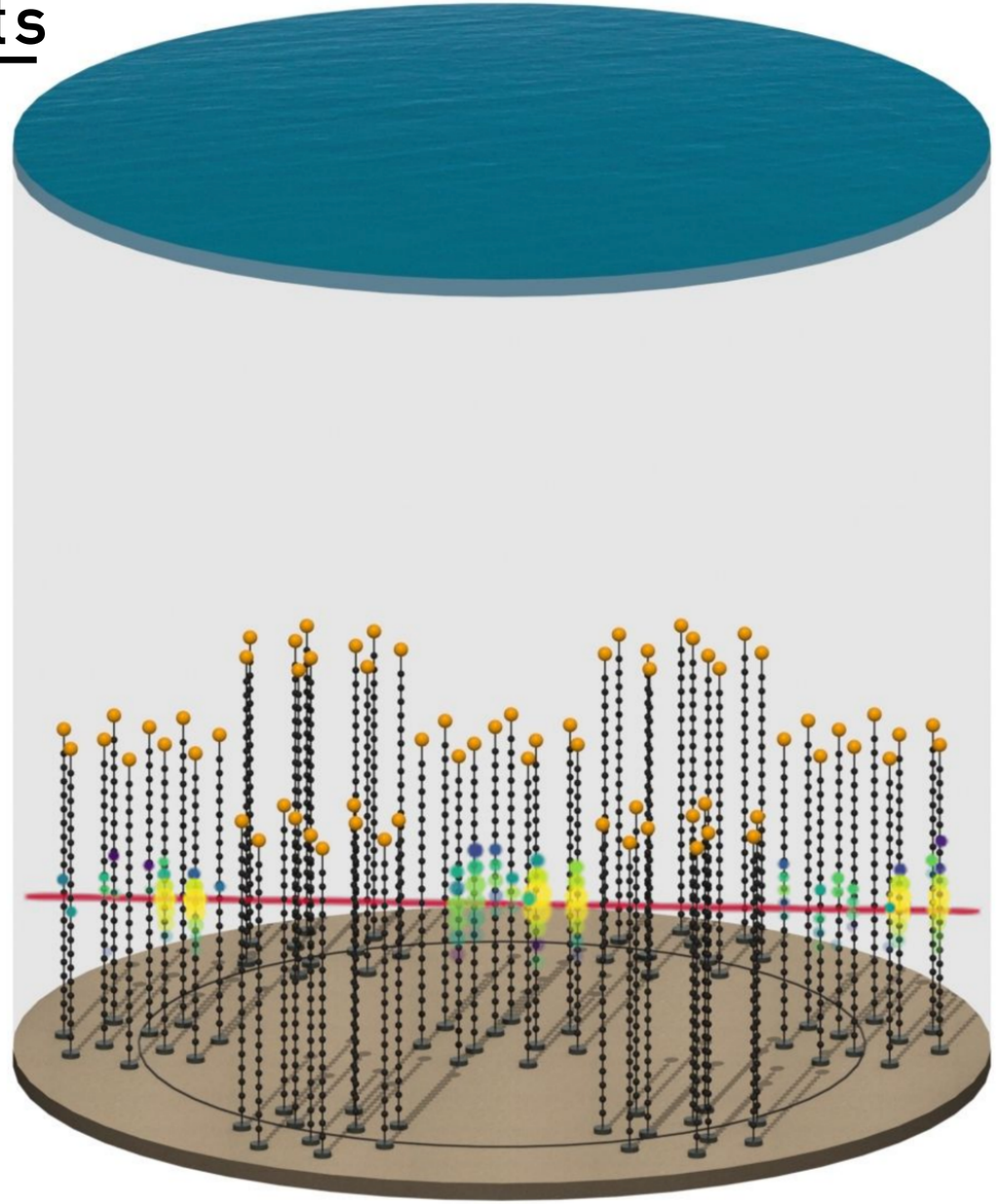

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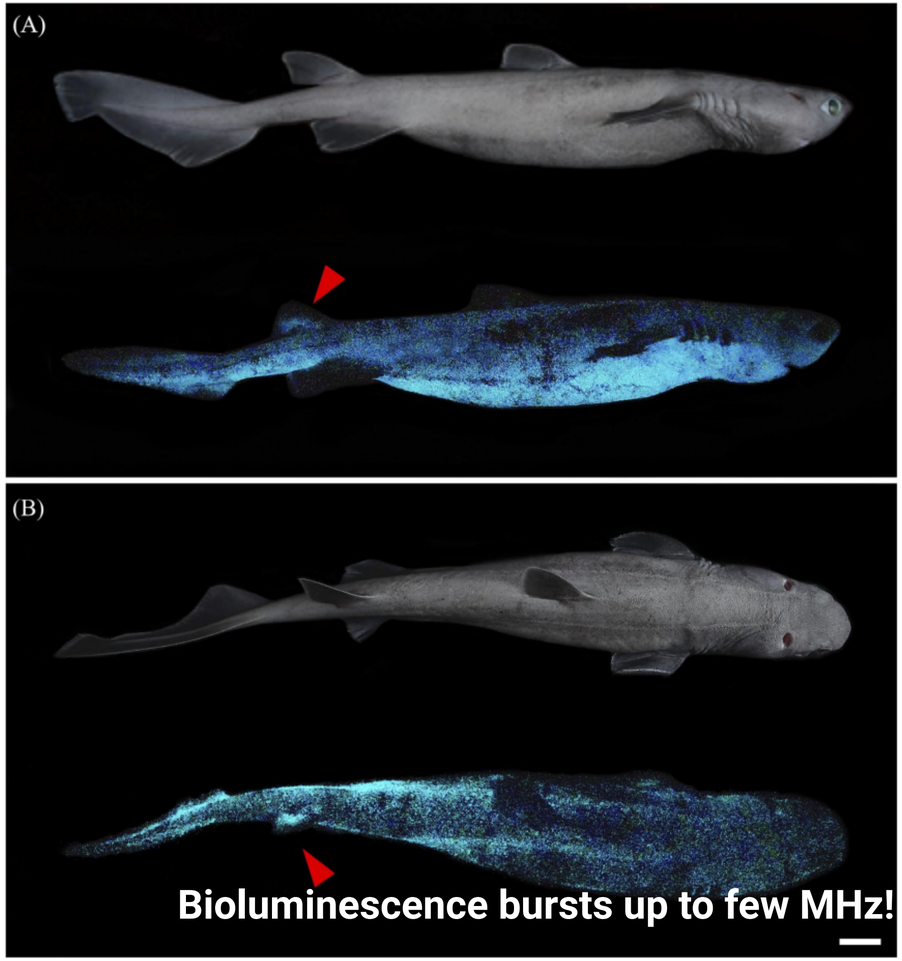

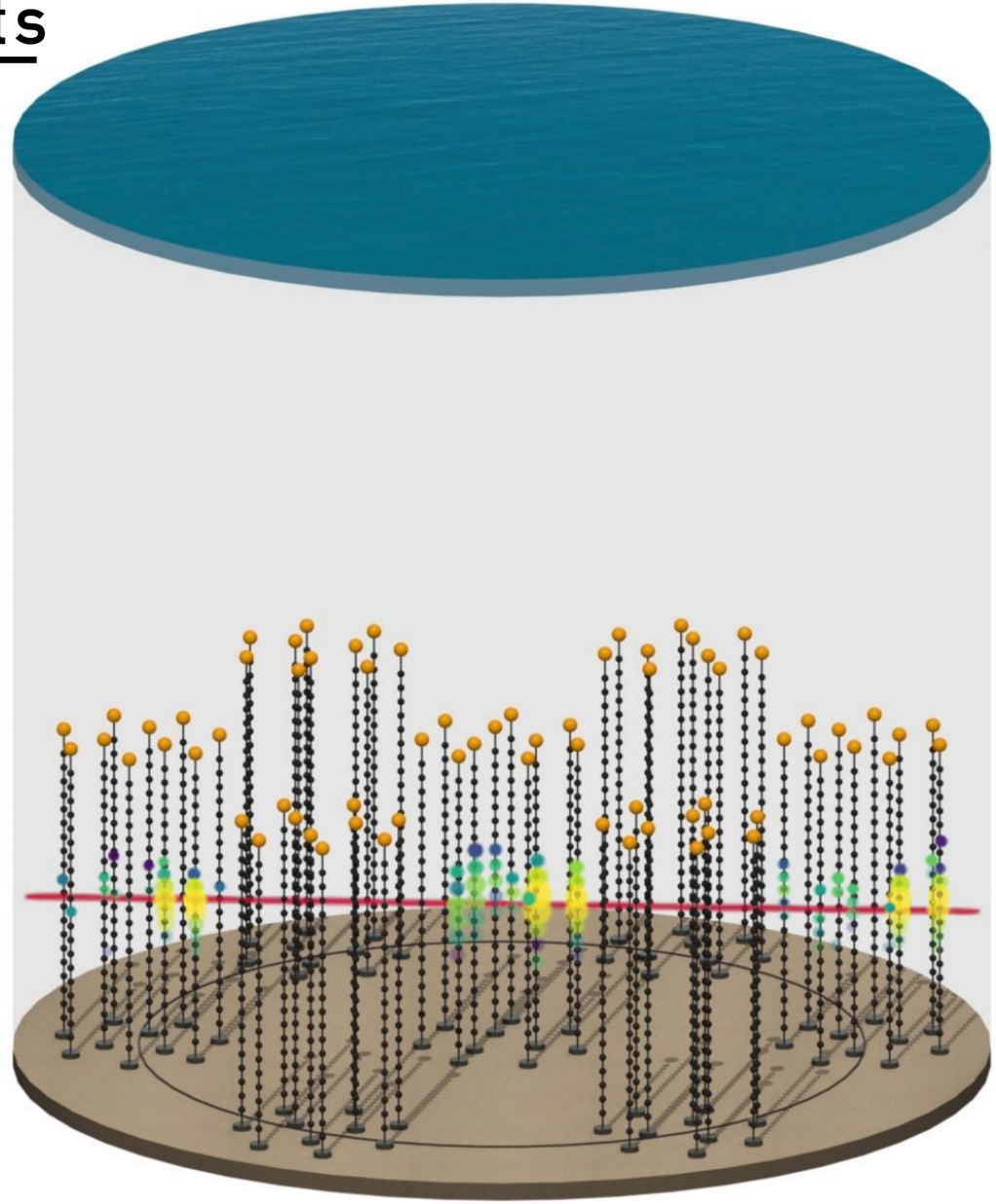

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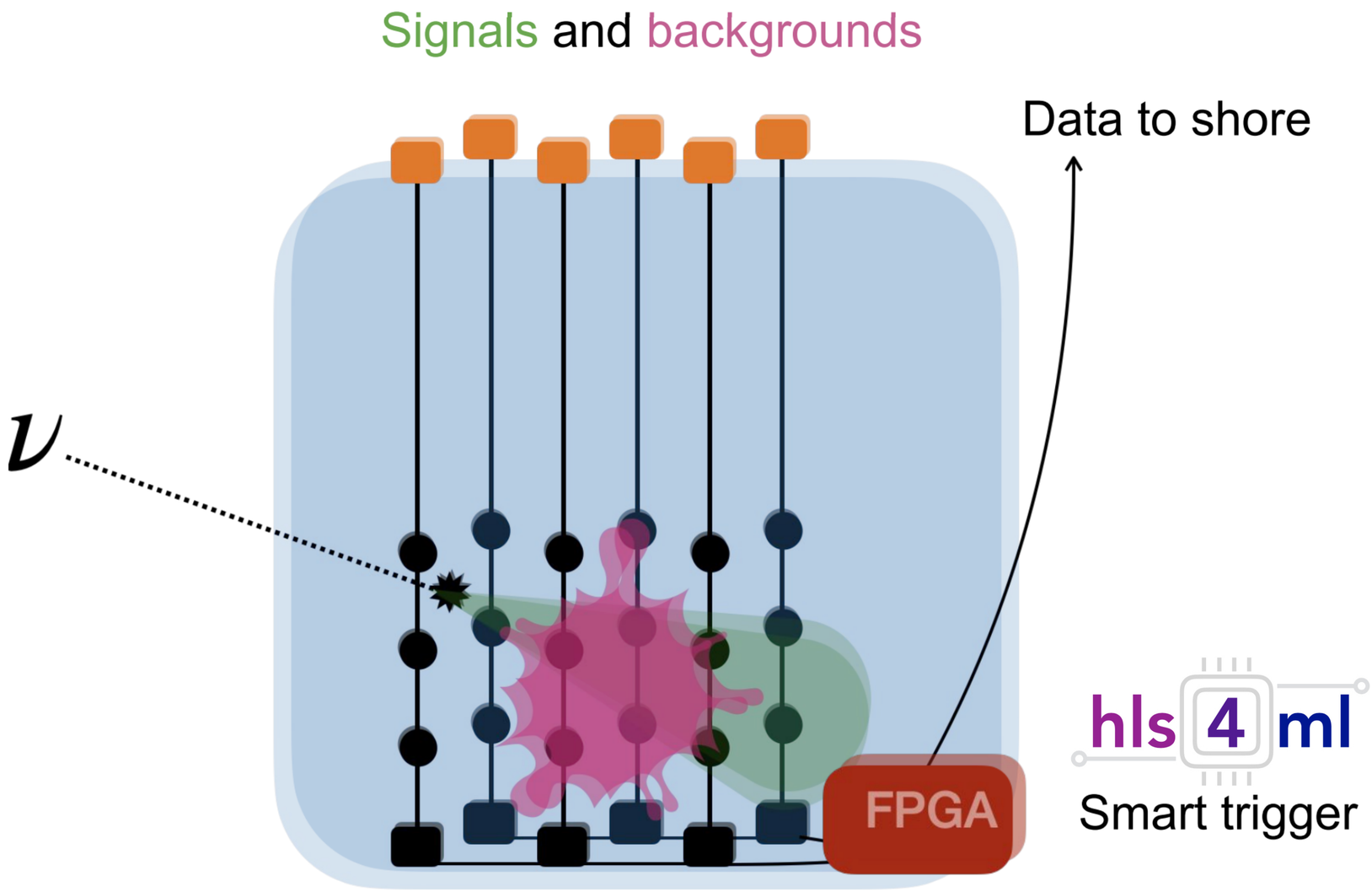
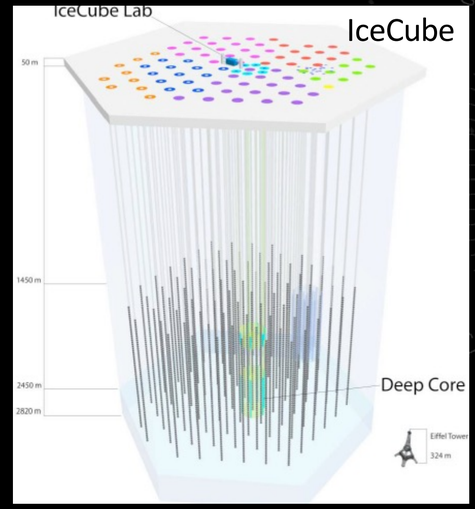


Electromagnetic waves

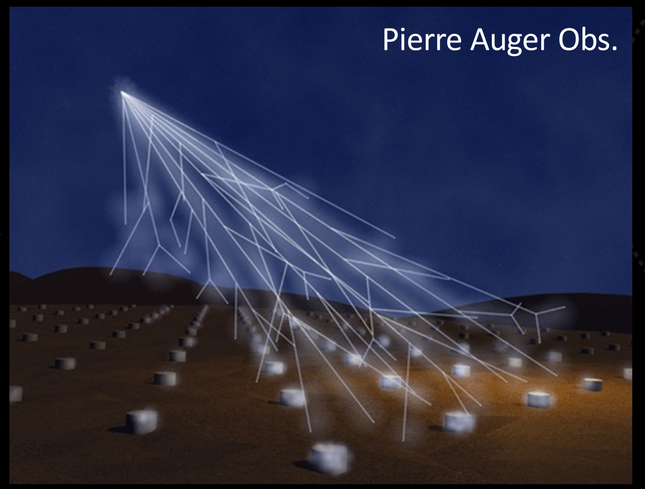
Neutrinos



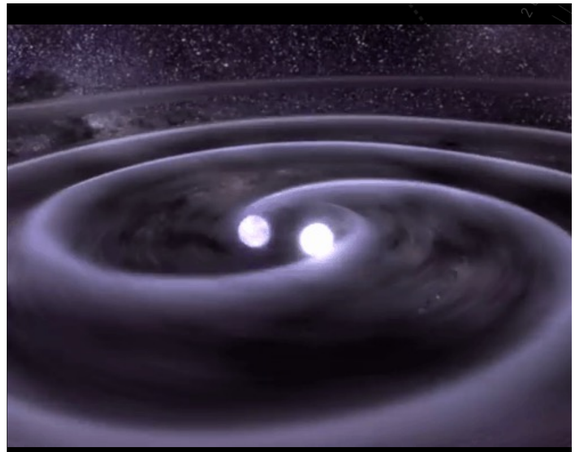
MULTI-MESSENGER ASTRONOMY (MMA)

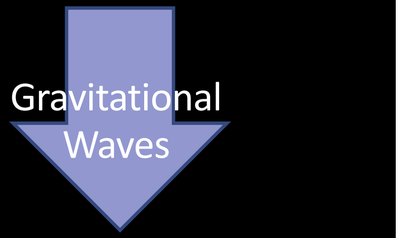
Gravitational Waves

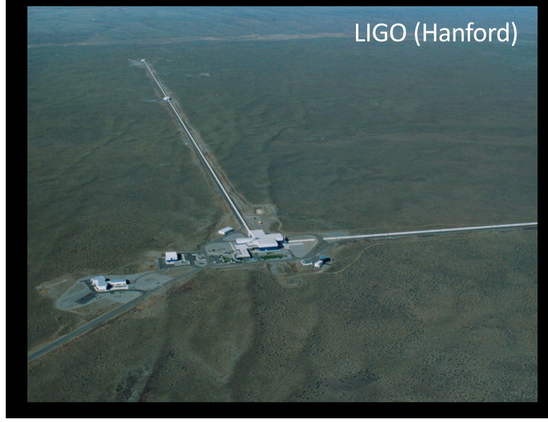
Cosmic Rays



Real-time gravitational wave detection

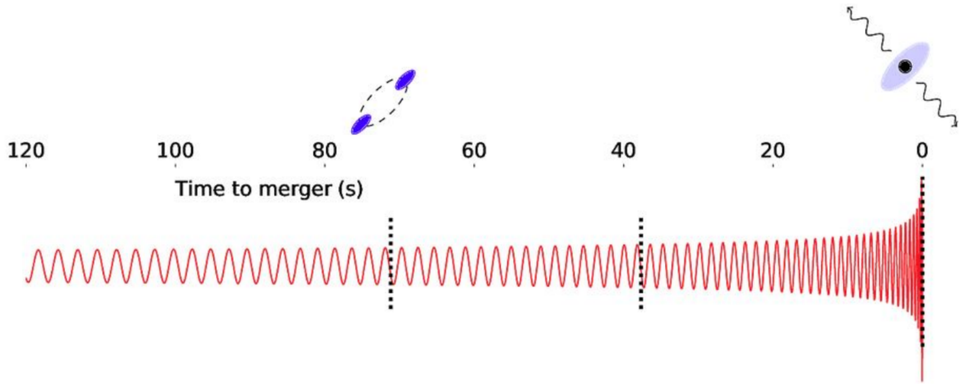






Using gravitational waves, we can detect neutron star merger (kilo novae) before it occurs!

- Use real time ML for event cleaning, parameter estimation and anomaly detection!



Rapid communication of gravitational-wave date on

- source location
- properties

Crucial to facilitate multi-messenger follow-up of sources !

LSST TAKES 20TB OF IMAGES PER NIGHT

Rubin Observatory

10 million transient alerts per night!

How can we expect to get lucky with such high volumes of data?

Transient searches have relied on human eyes for alerts ***→real-time ML!***

Conifer

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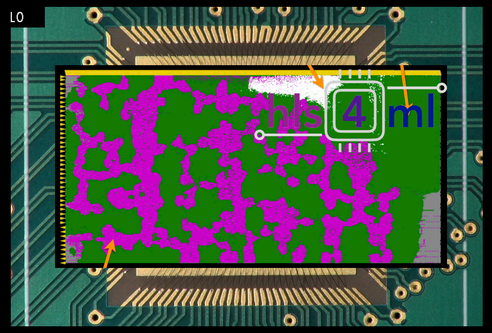

Bonus: Transformers (?)

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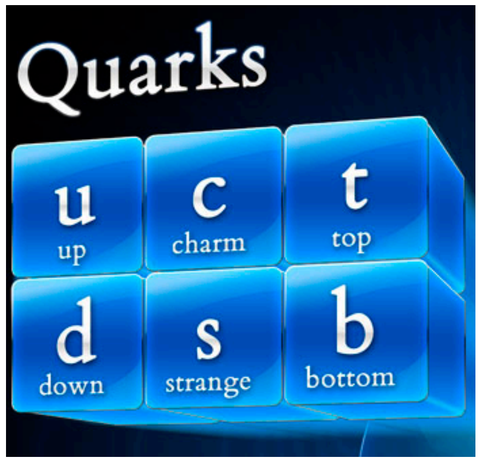
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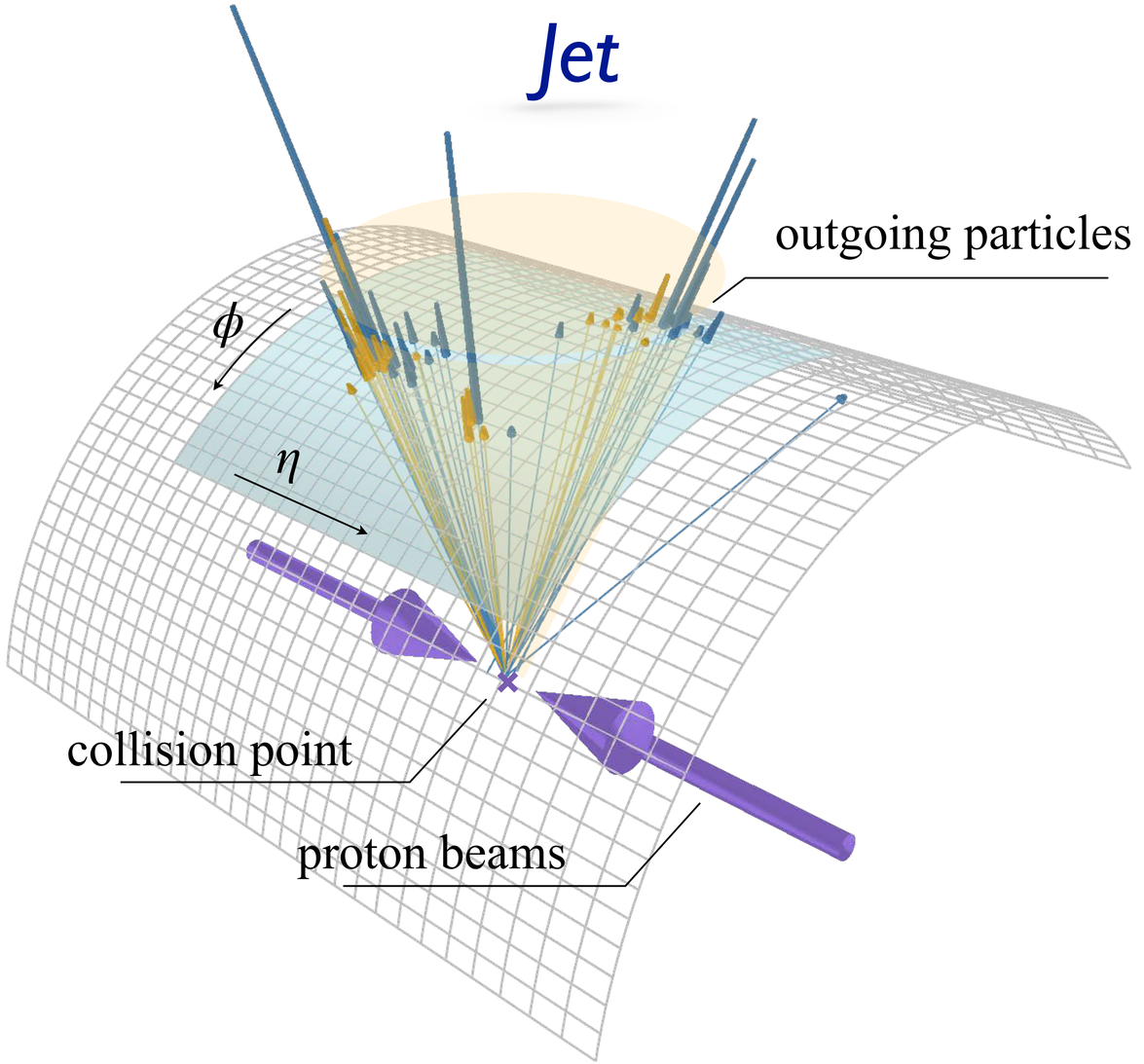
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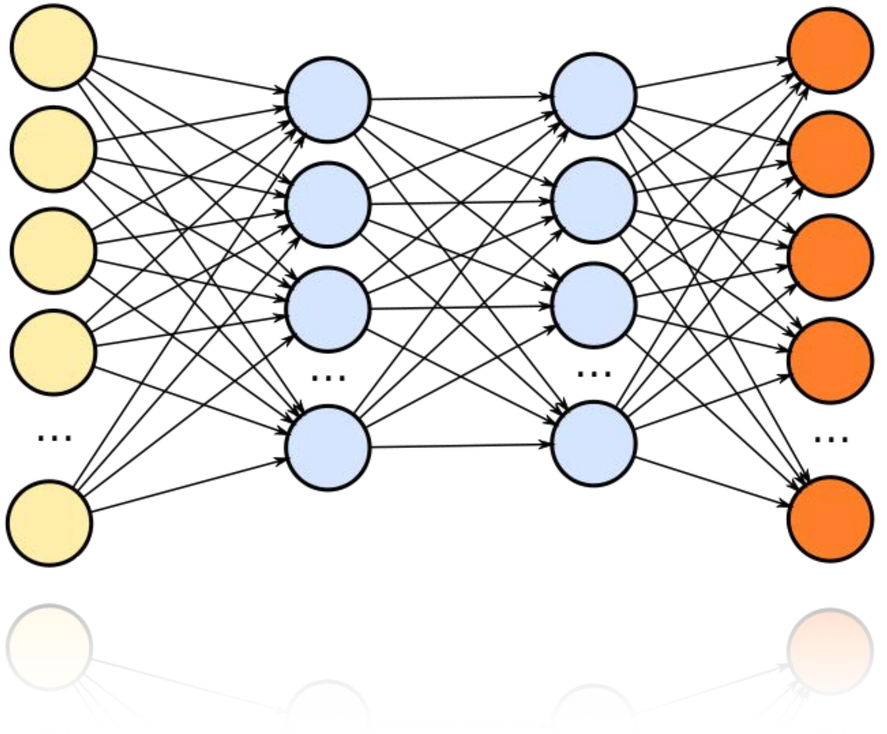

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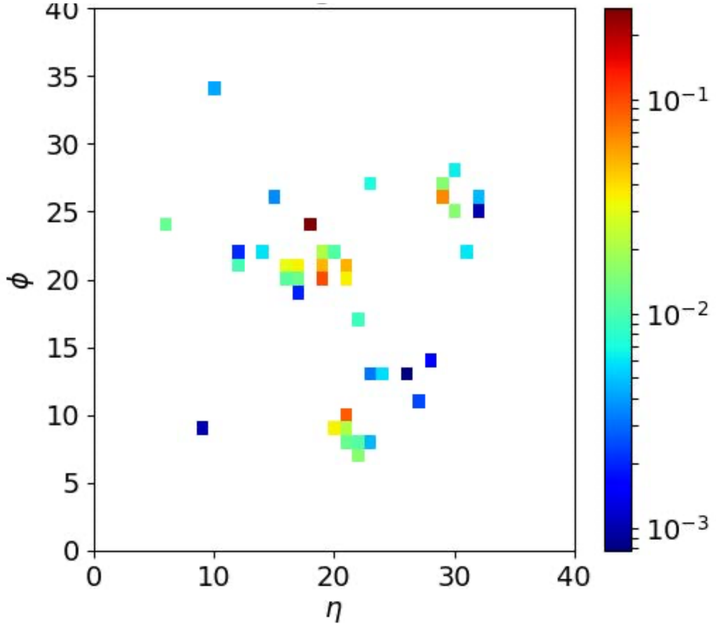

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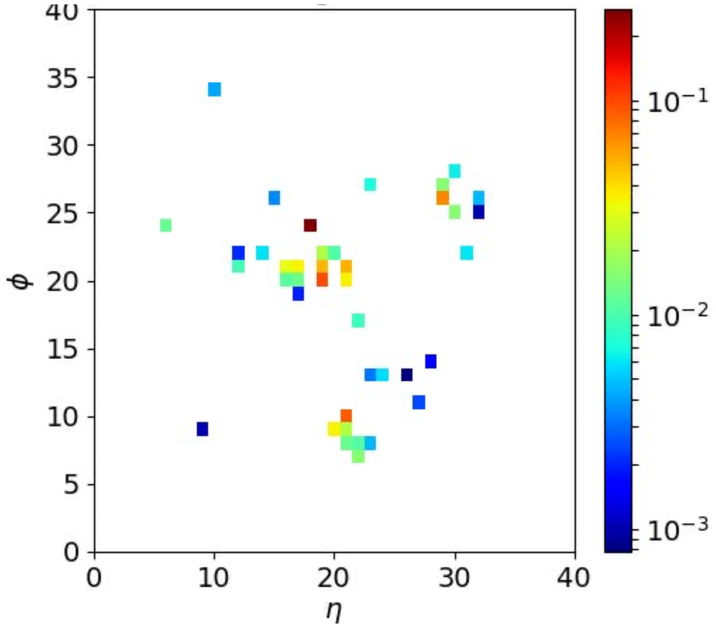

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But... inhomogeneous geometry, high sparsity

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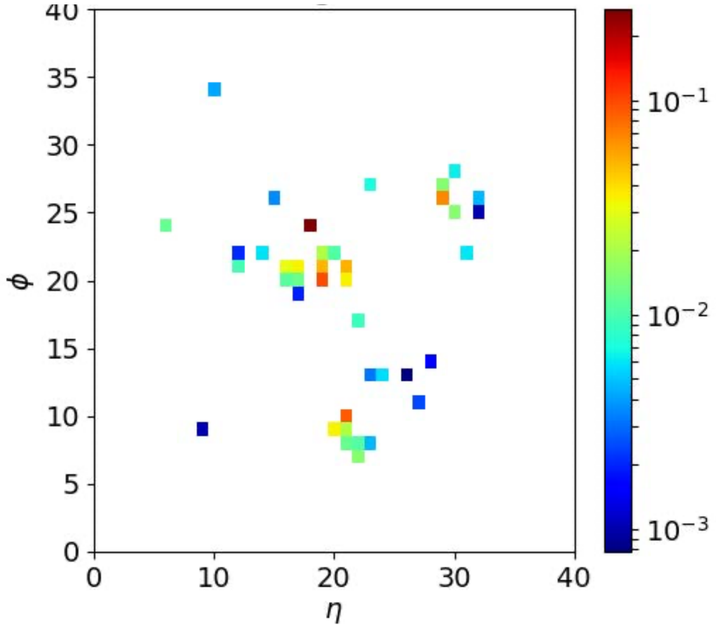

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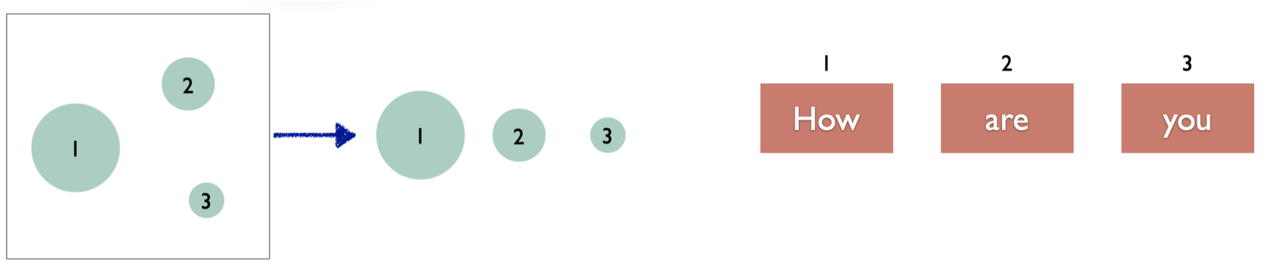

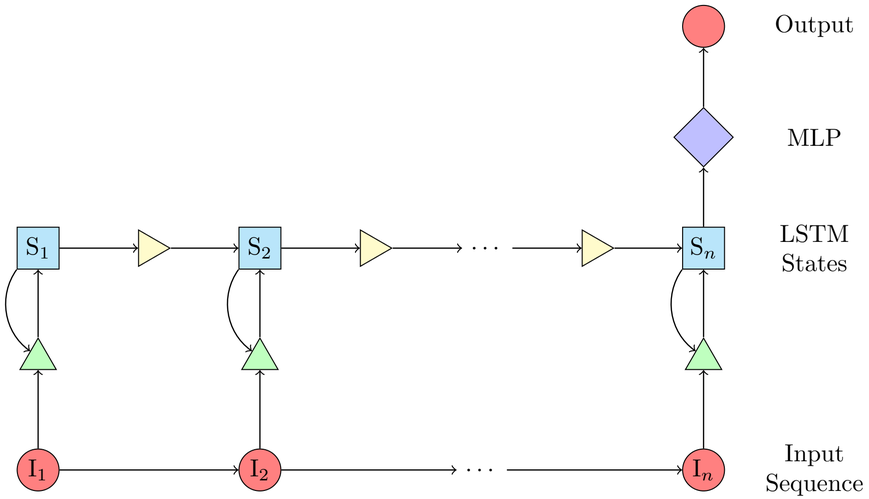

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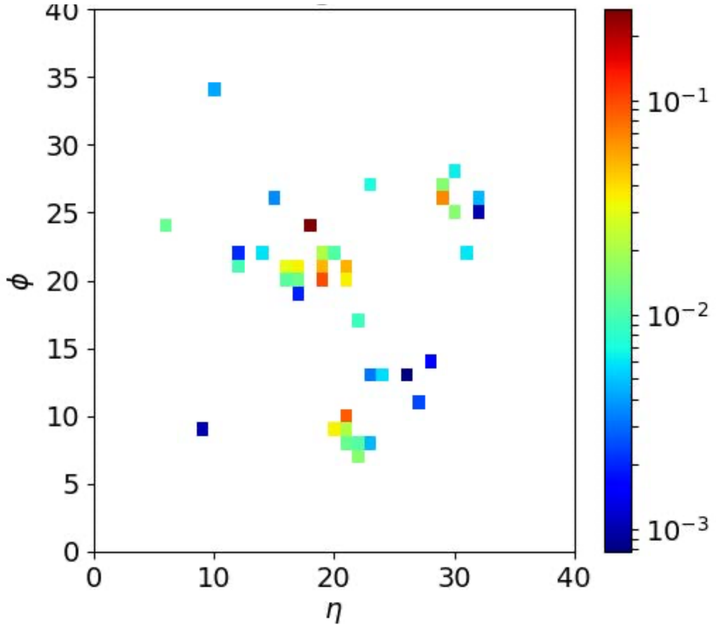

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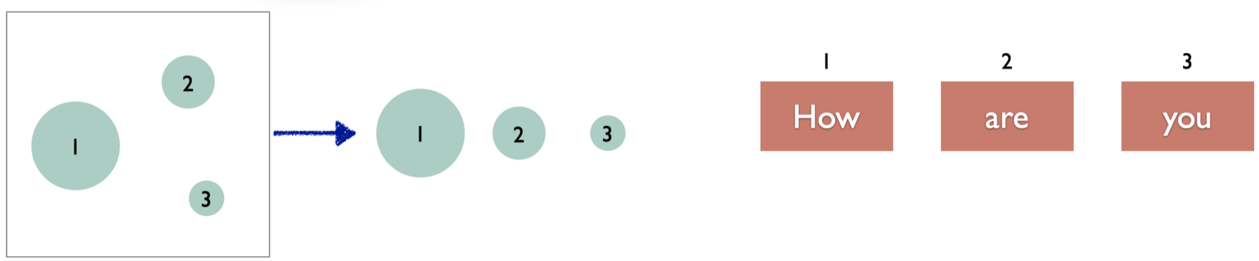

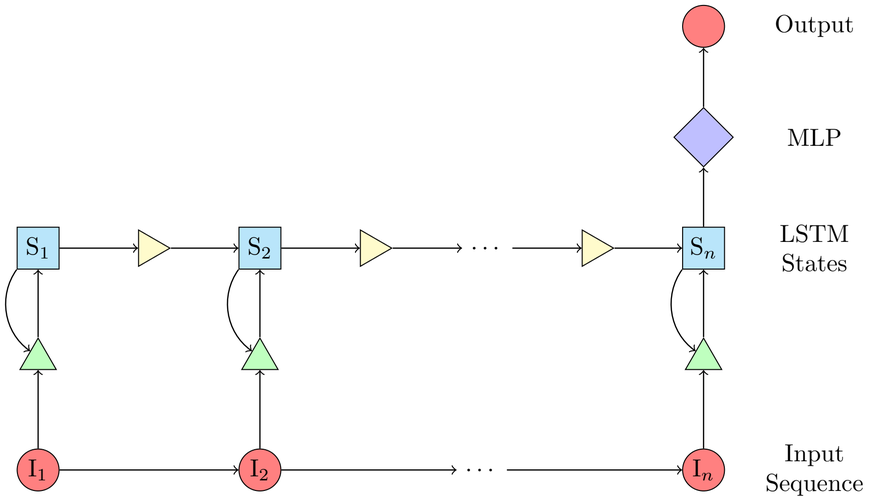

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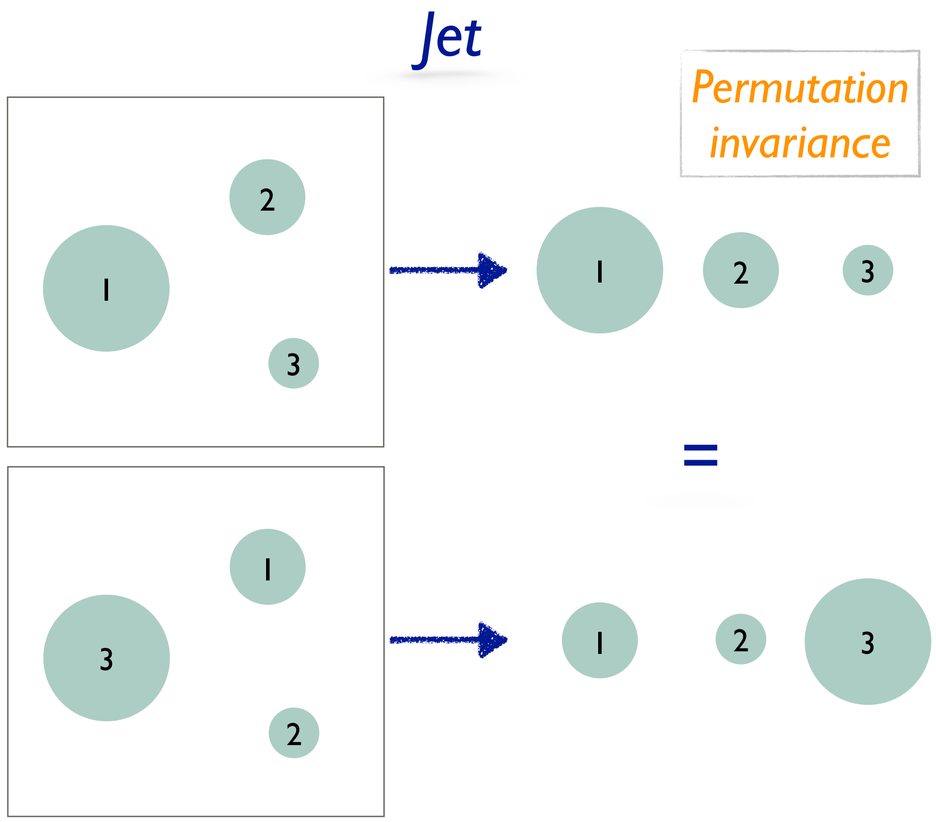
But... permutation-invariance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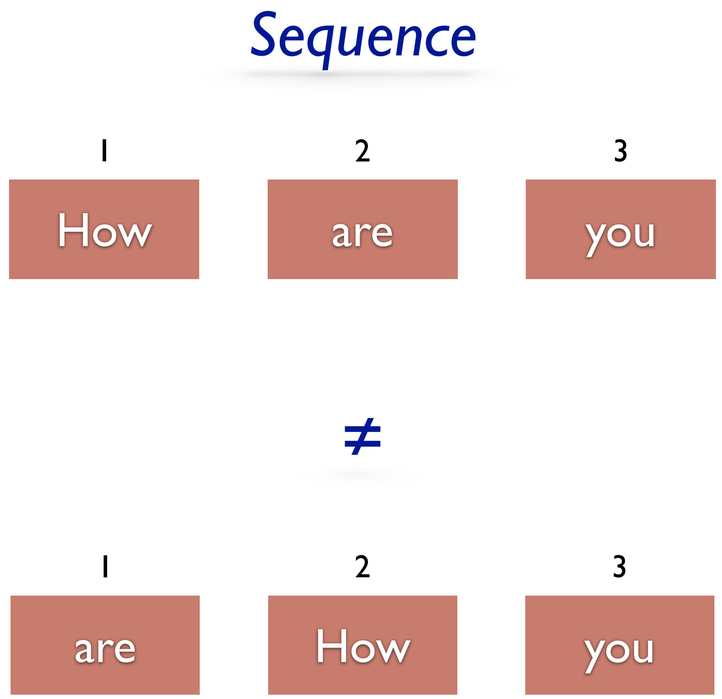
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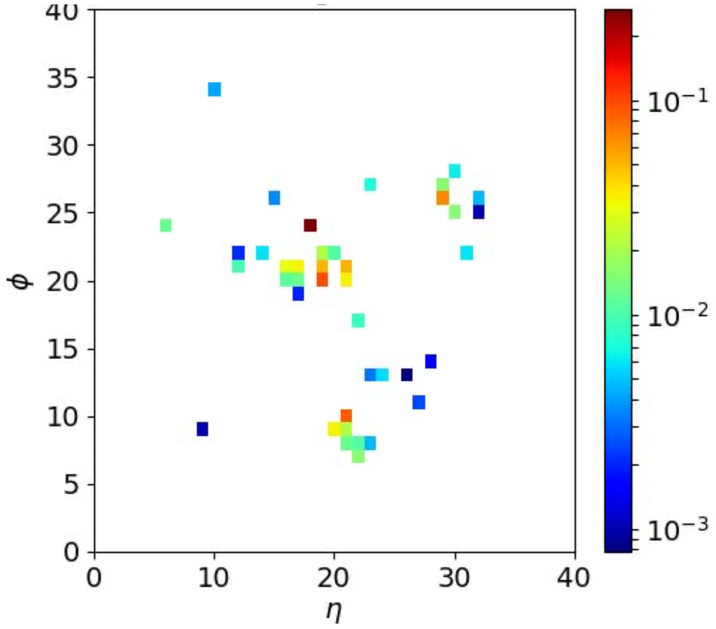

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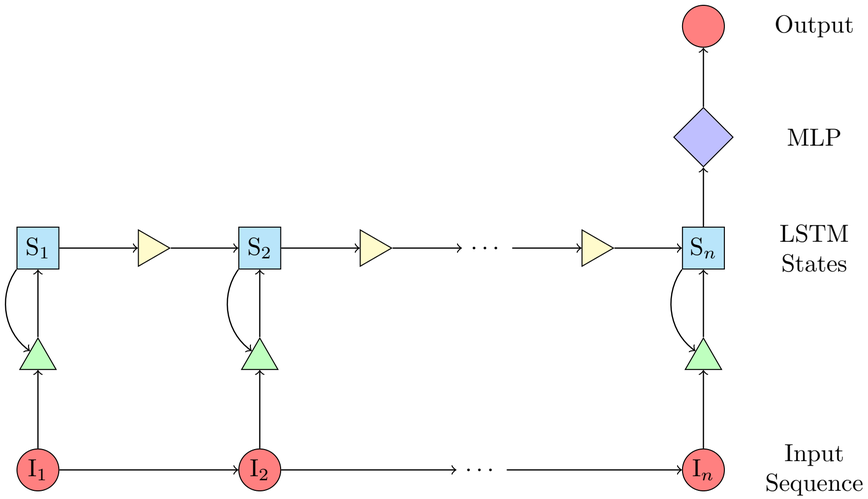

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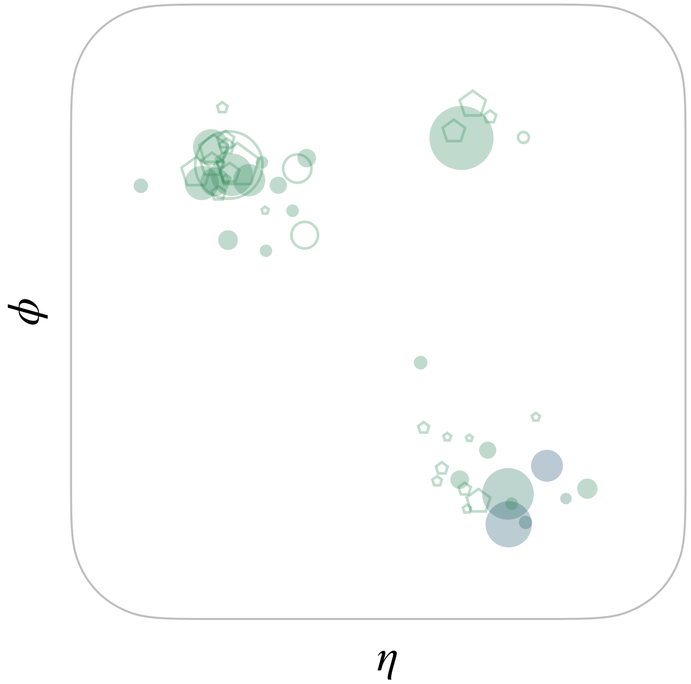

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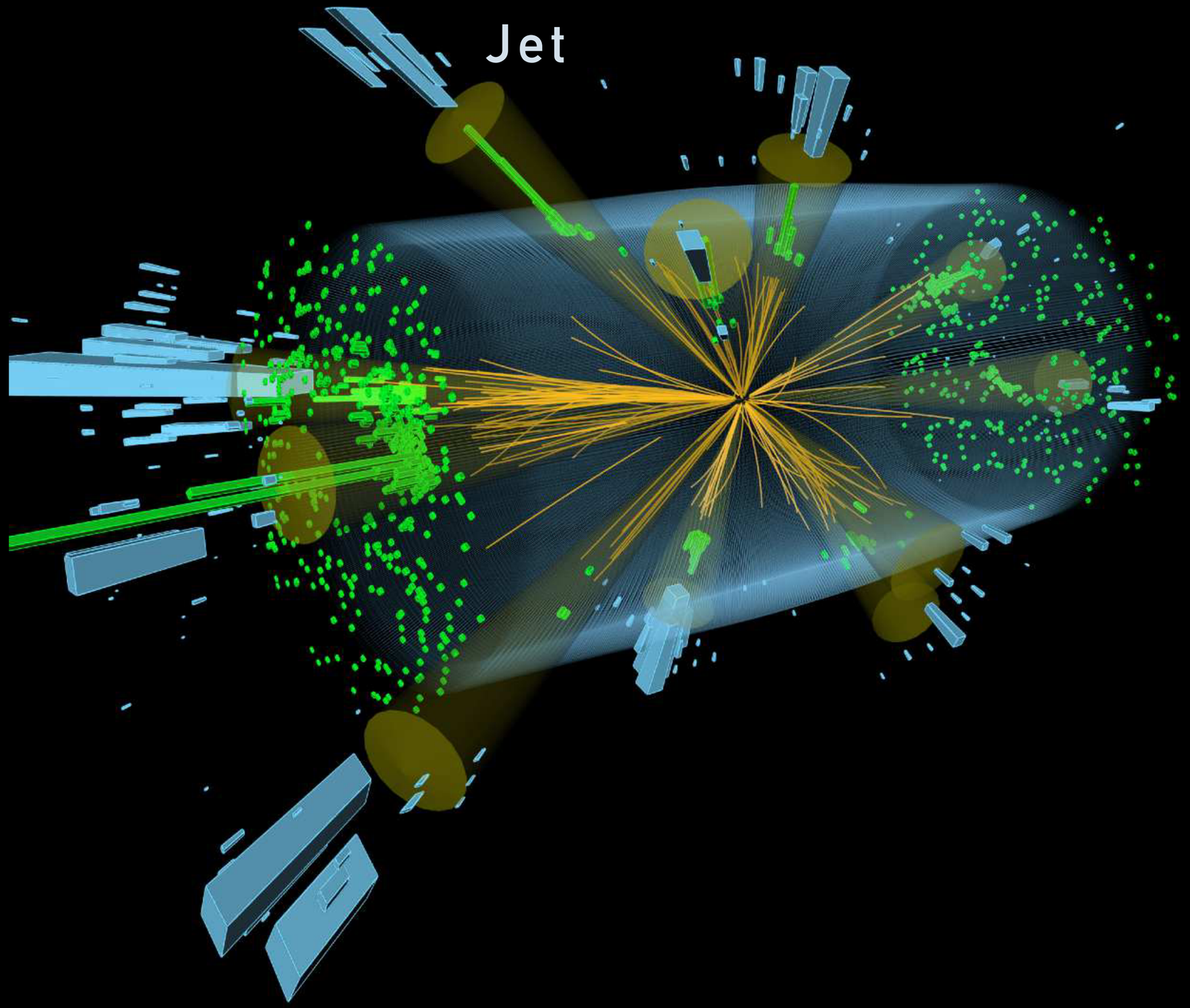
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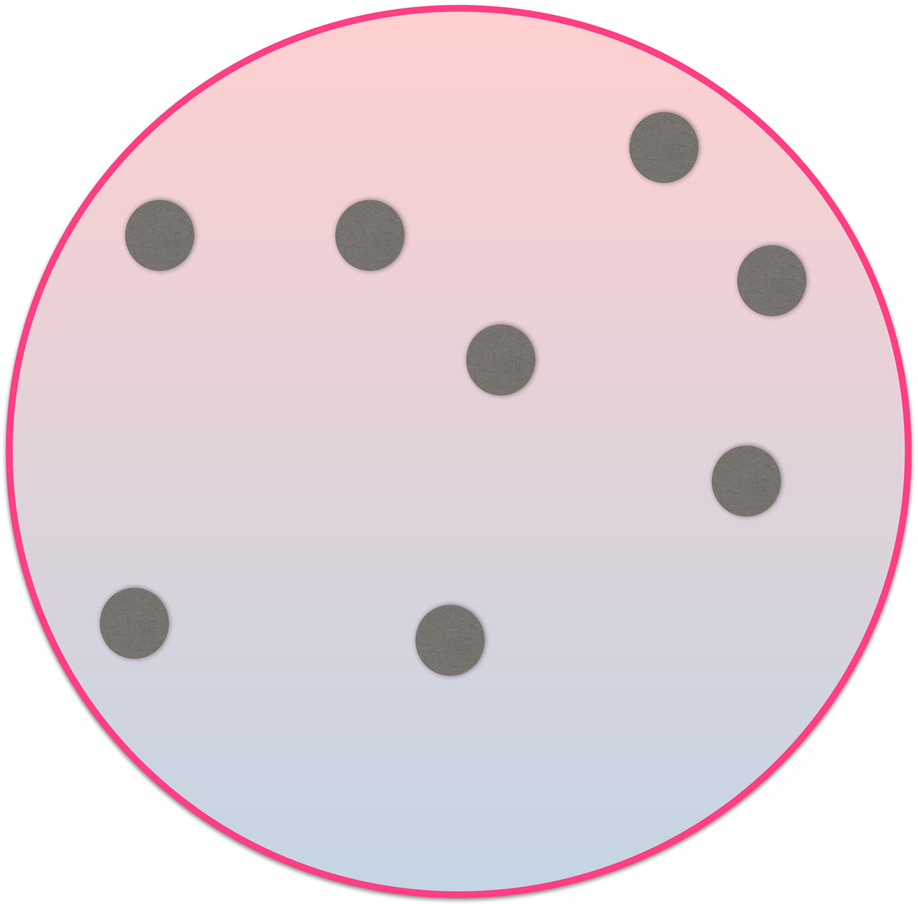

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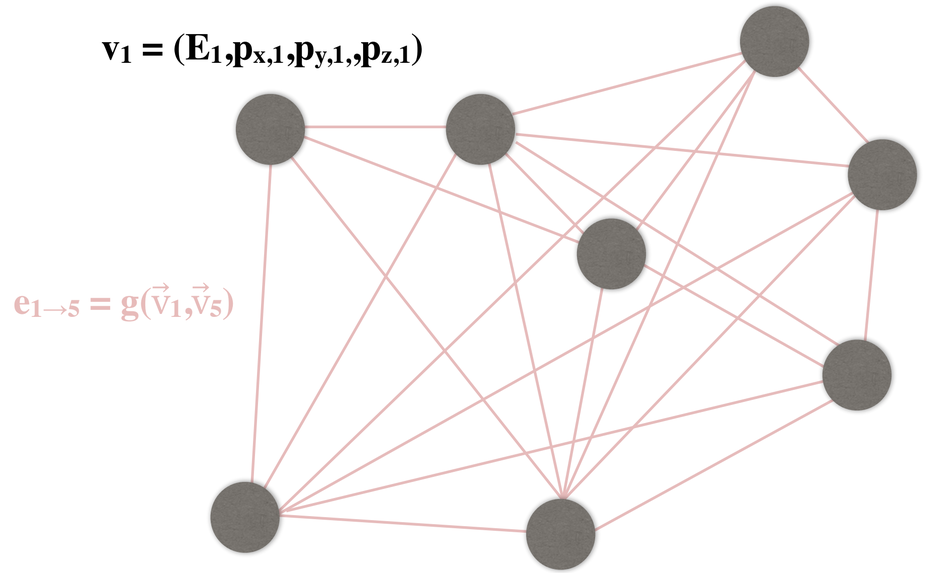

$e_{1\to5} = g(\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_5)$

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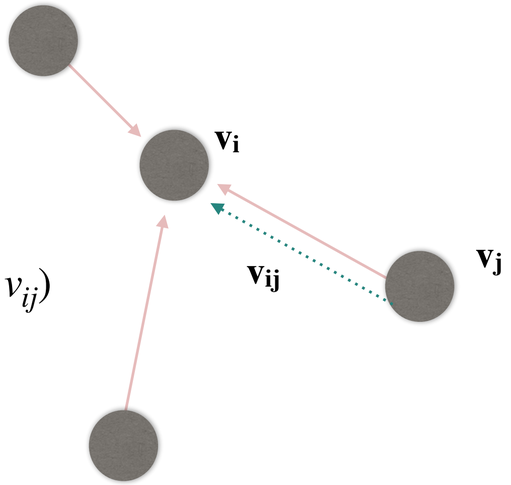
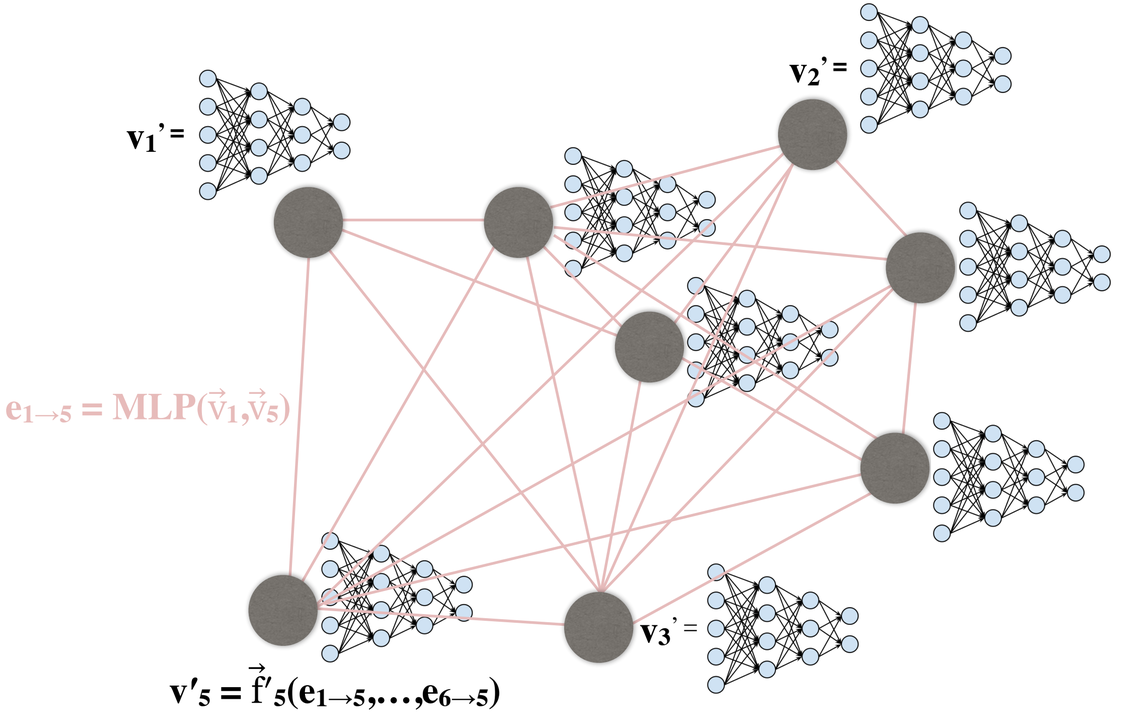
SOTA: Graph Neural Networks acting on point cloud data

- ParticleNet (GNN on point cloud)
  LundNet (GNN,Lund plane)
  ABCNet (GNN, attention)
  Point Cloud Transformers (transformer, attention)
  ParticleNeXt (GNN, attention, Lund)
  ParT (transformer, attention)





Invariant Operation

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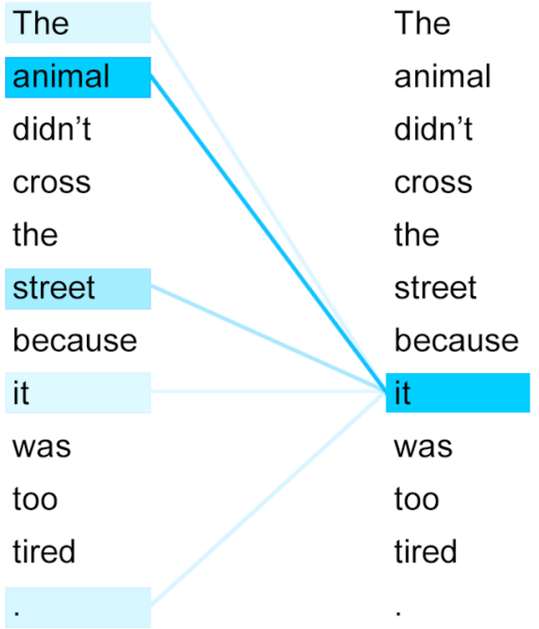
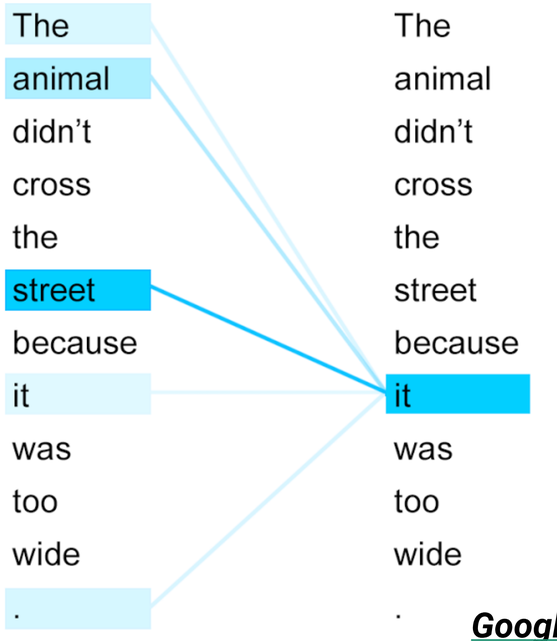
Adding (Self-)Attention

- Allows particles to interact with each other ("self") and find out which other particles they should pay more attention to ("attention")





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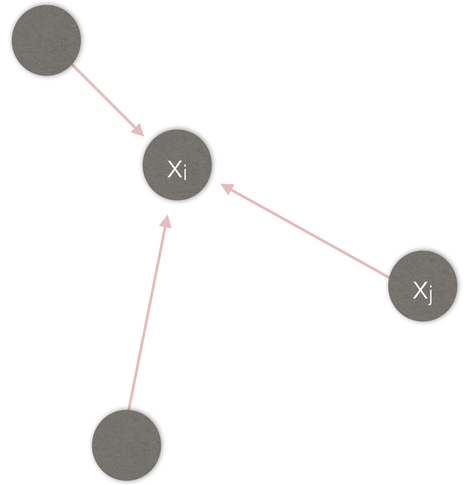

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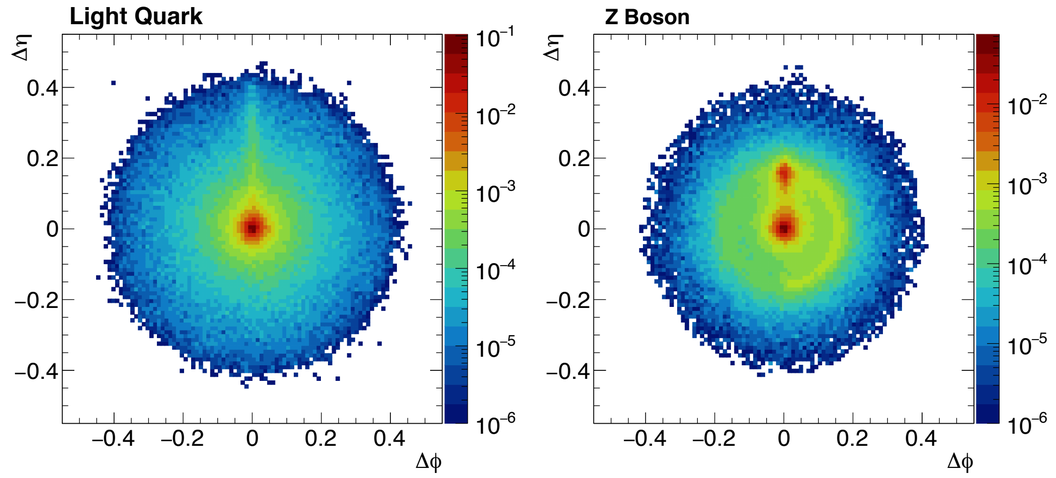
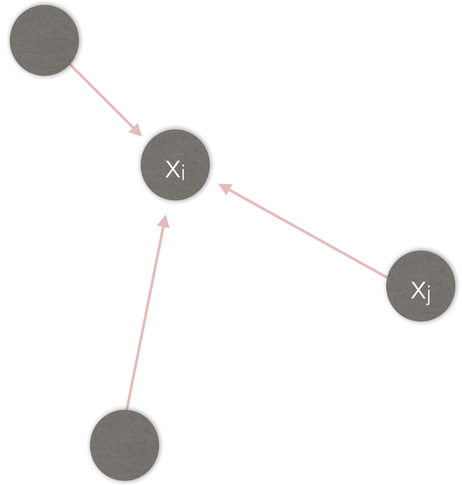
Attention weights: weighted importance between each pair of particles

- Determine relationship between all particles of point cloud
- Several attention layers → different important features (multi-head attention)





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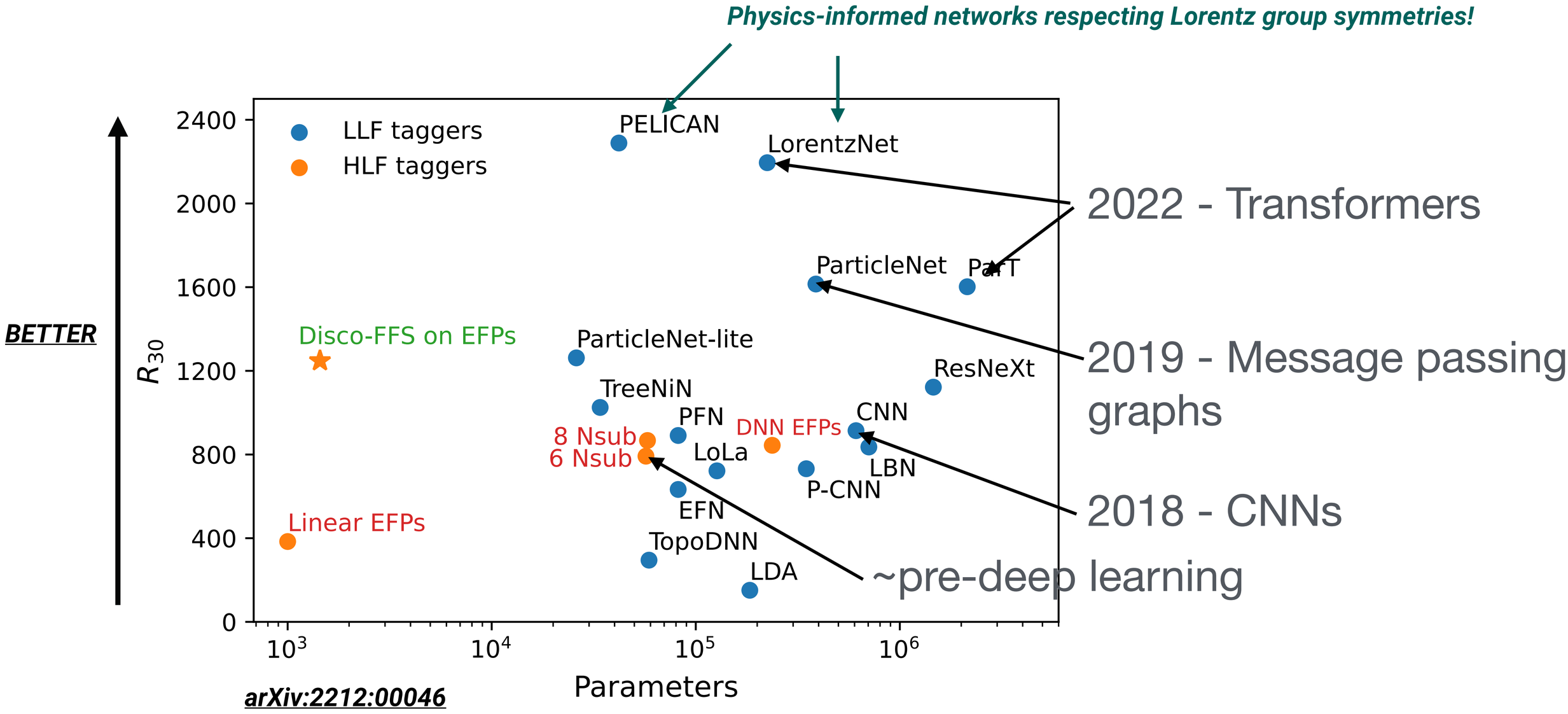
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