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REFINING FAST SIMULATION USING MACHINE LEARNING

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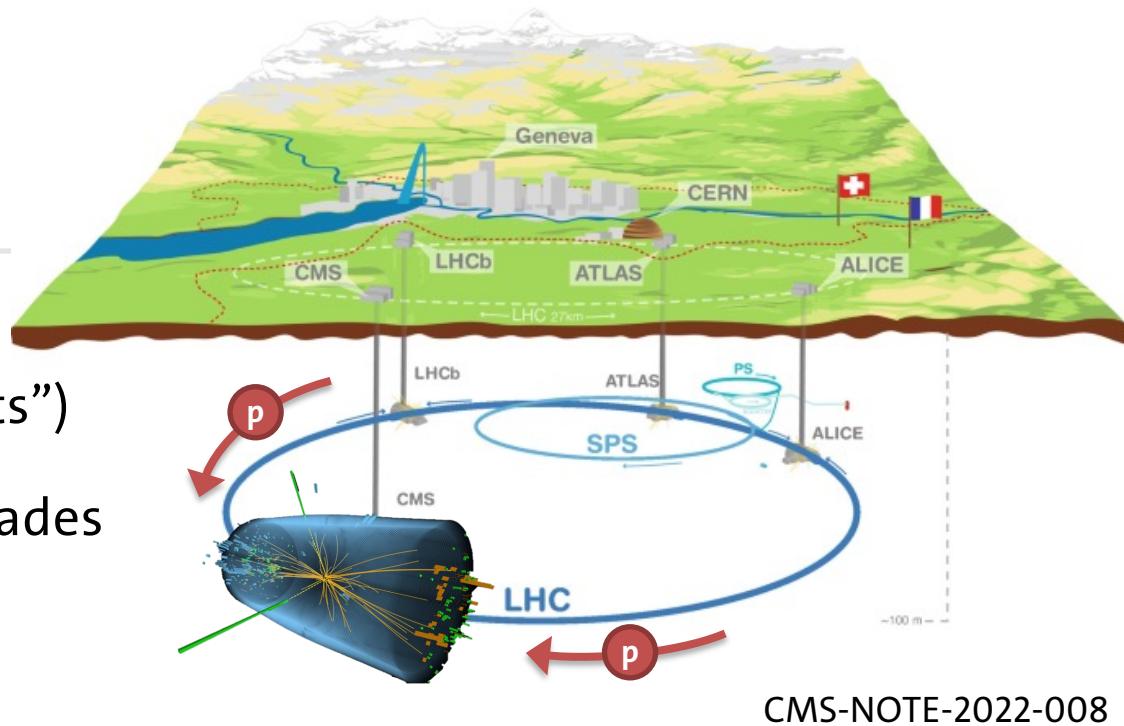
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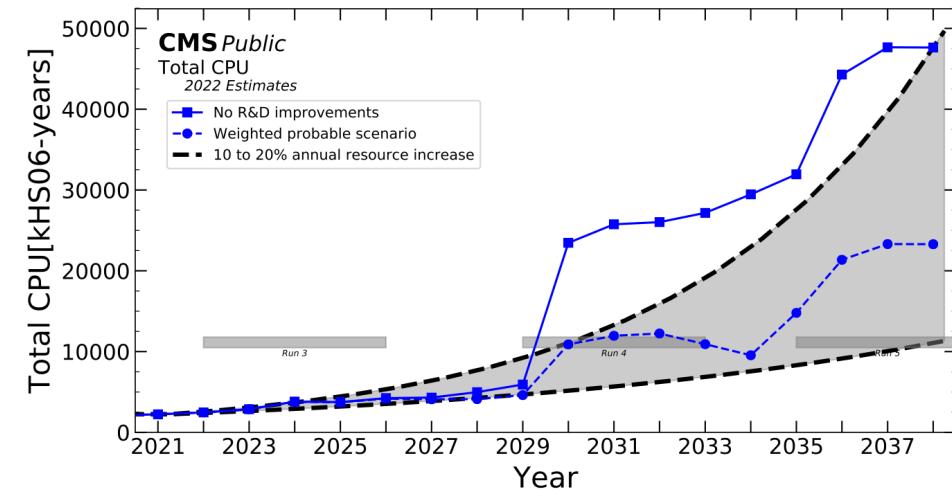
- Almost all high energy physics analyses rely on a large number of **simulated proton-proton collisions** (= “events”)
- Higher LHC luminosity (= more events) & detector upgrades (= more complex data) → **fast simulation** techniques needed to stay within computing budget
- In **CMS**, two simulation chains (FullSim/FastSim) are used that produce output of same dimensionality/structure:

	GEN Event generation	SIM Detector simulation	DIGI Digitization	RECO Reconstruction
FullSim		GEANT4		analyze as if data
FastSim ≈ 15% of sim. events	same e.g., MadGraph	parametrized energy loss 100x faster	same	use GEN info 2.5x faster

➤ In total: FastSim ≈ 10x faster than FullSim



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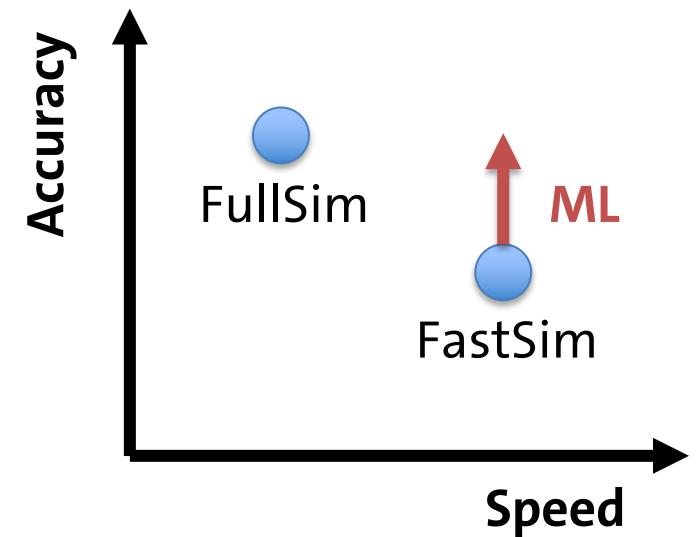
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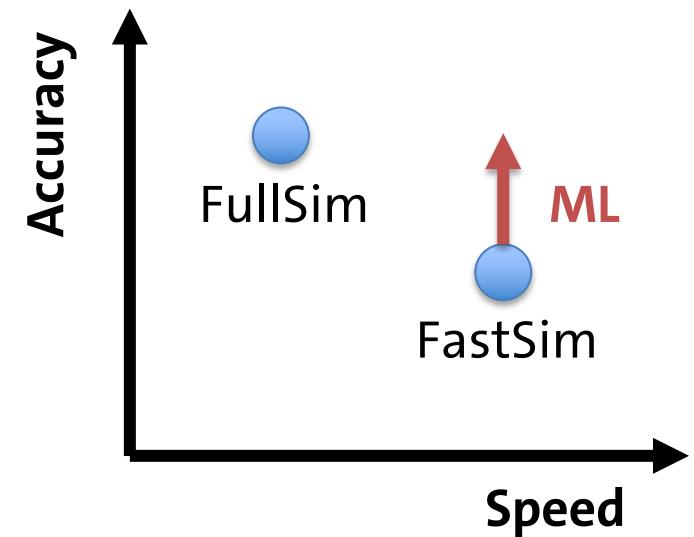
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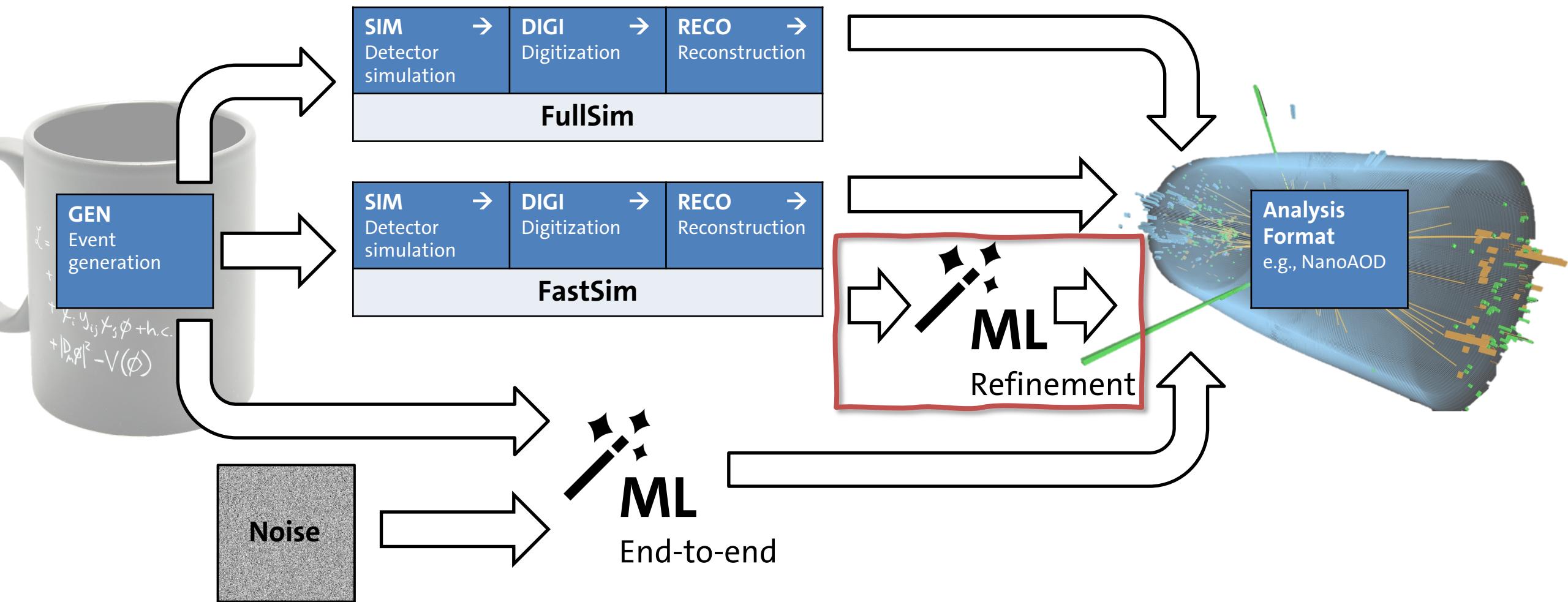


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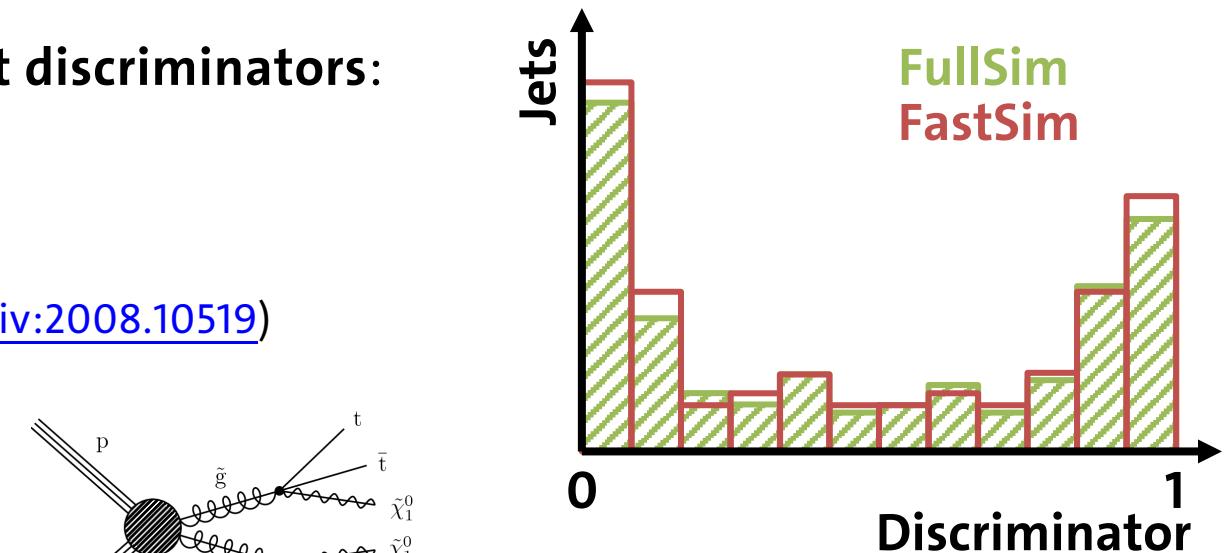
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- Focus on jet flavour tagging: 4 NanoAOD DeepJet discriminators:
b+bb+lepb, c vs b+bb+lepb, c vs uds+g, g vs uds

„B“ „CvB“ „CvL“ „QG“

(DeepJet NN softmax output nodes: b, bb, lepb, c, uds, g; [arXiv:2008.10519](https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.10519))

- FastSim/FullSim discrepancies $O(10\%)$

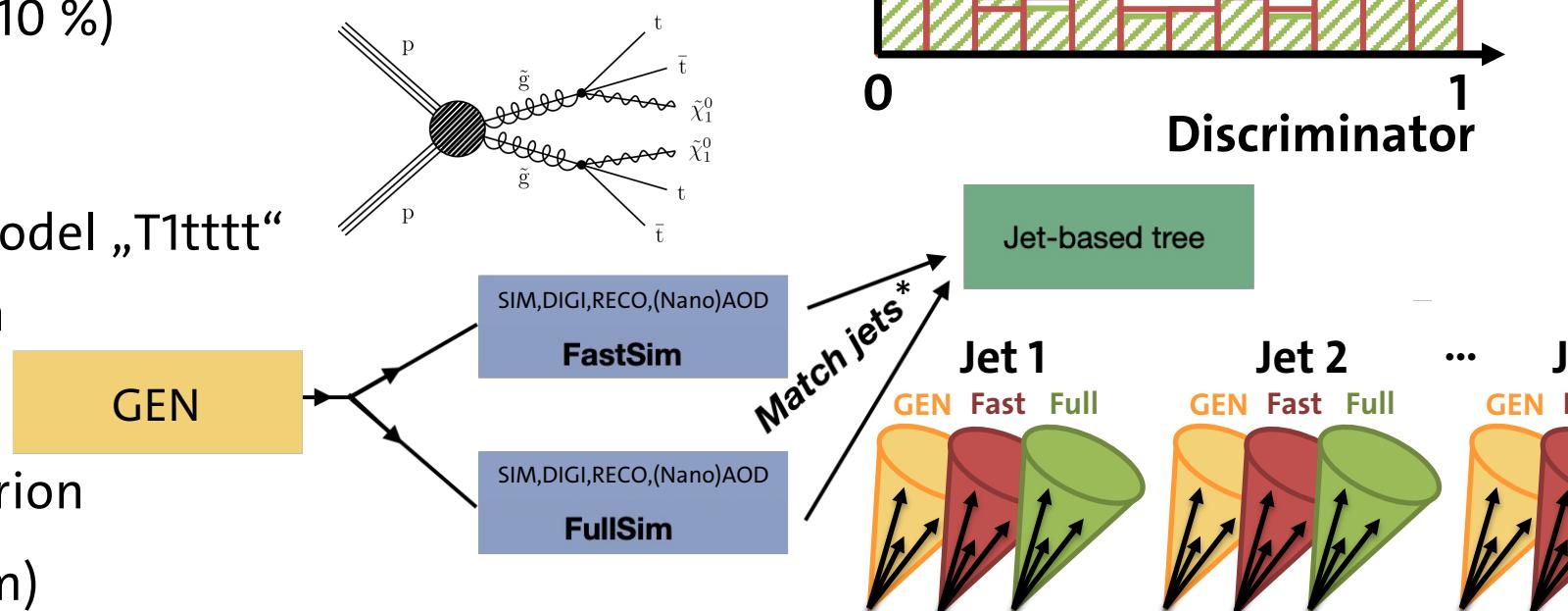


- Training sample: SUSY simplified model „T1tttt“

simulated with FastSim and FullSim

(same GEN events, no pile-up)

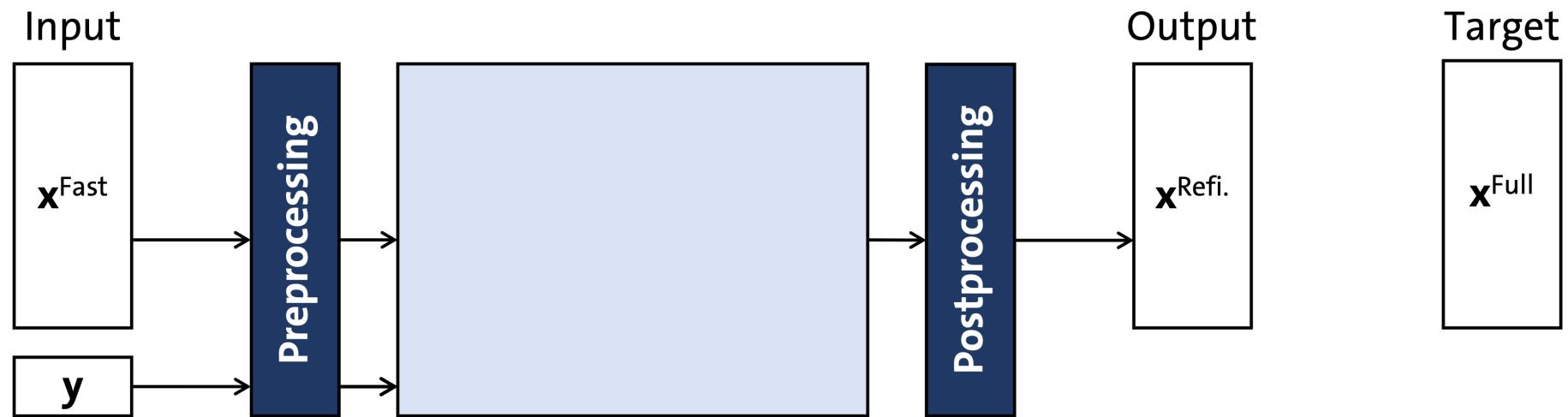
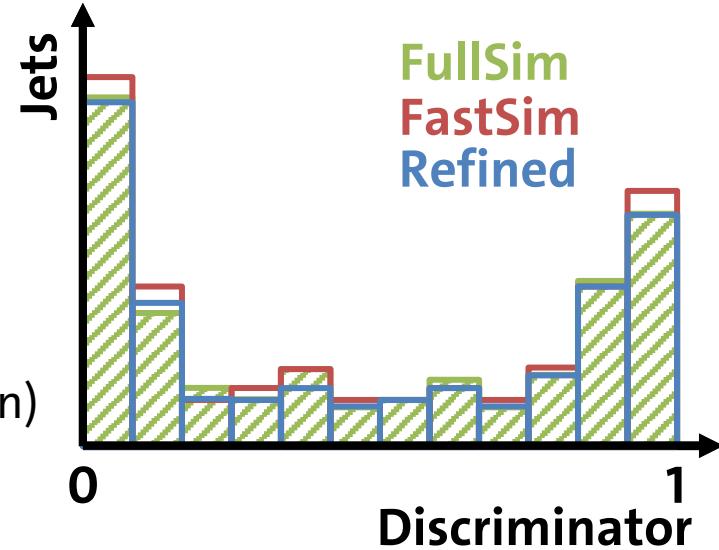
- Match jets using ΔR angular criterion
- Jet triplets: (GEN, FastSim, FullSim)



REFINING (REGRESSION) – GENERAL IDEA

Employ **regression neural network** to refine FastSim:

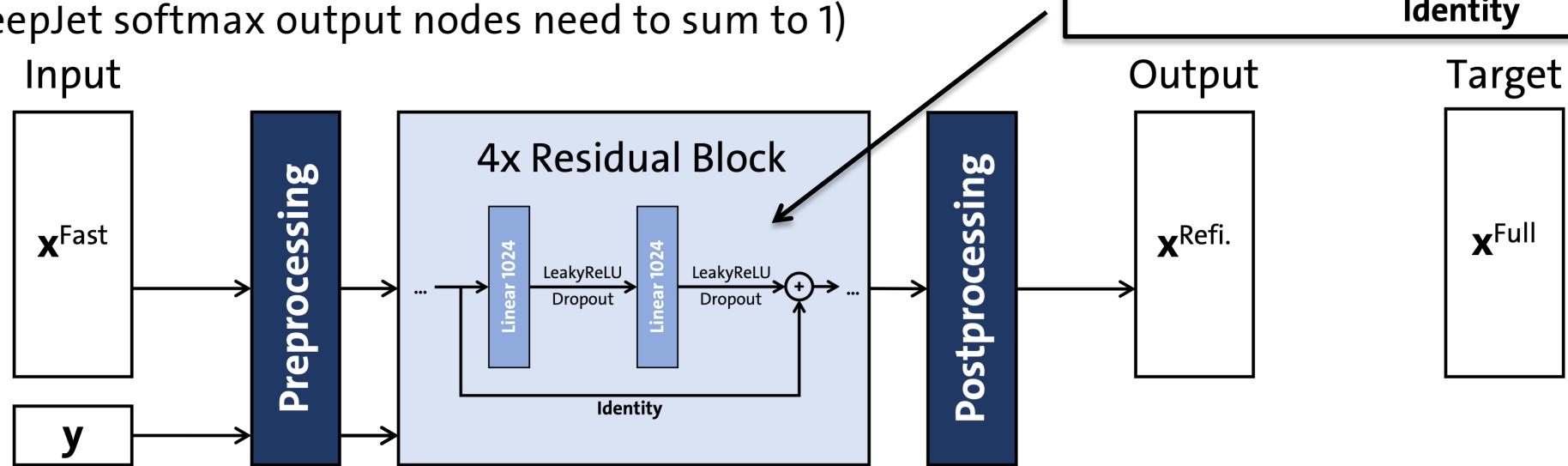
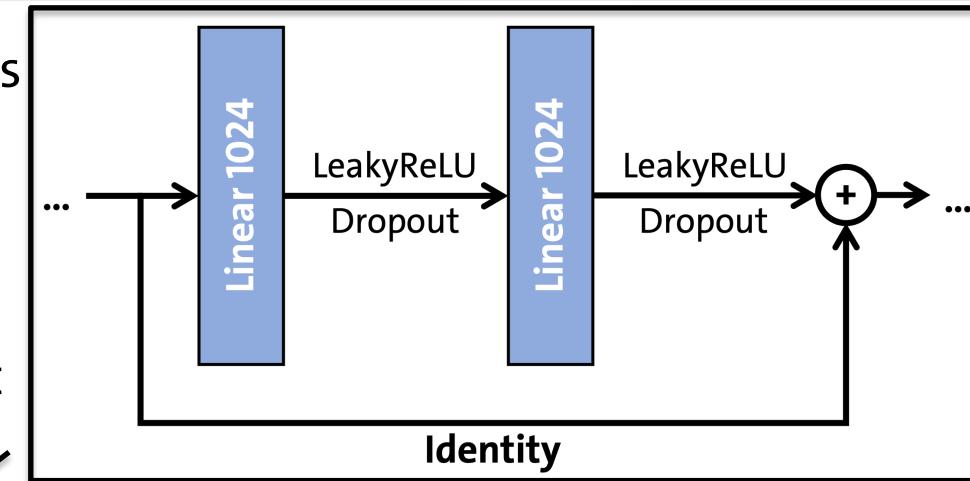
- Input: **FastSim** variables $\mathbf{x}^{\text{Fast}} = 4$ DeepJet discriminators
Parameters $\mathbf{y} = p_T^{\text{GEN}}, \eta^{\text{GEN}}$, true hadron flavor (b, c, or light quark/gluon)
- Output: **Refined** variables $\mathbf{x}^{\text{Refined}} = 4$ DeepJet discriminators
- Target: **FullSim** variables $\mathbf{x}^{\text{Full}} = 4$ DeepJet discriminators



REFINING (REGRESSION) – NN ARCHITECTURE

ResNet paper [arXiv:1512.03385](https://arxiv.org/abs/1512.03385)

- ResNet-like **skip connections** → learn only residual corrections
- **Preprocessing**: transform input variables/parameters
e.g., logit-transform $\text{logit}(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)$ to map from $(0, 1)$ to $(-\infty, \infty)$
- **Postprocessing**: transform back & enforce DeepJet constraint
(original DeepJet softmax output nodes need to sum to 1)



REFINING (REGRESSION) – LOSS TERMS

- **Primary loss:** **MMD** (distribution-based)
 - Comparing ensembles of jets not jet-jet pairs
 - To cope with independent stochasticity in both simulation chains

given two samples from P(X) and Q(Y):

$$\widehat{\text{MMD}}(P, Q) = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n k(x_i, x_j) + \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m k(y_i, y_j) - \frac{2}{nm} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m k(x_i, y_j)$$

$n = m = \text{batch size} = 4096$

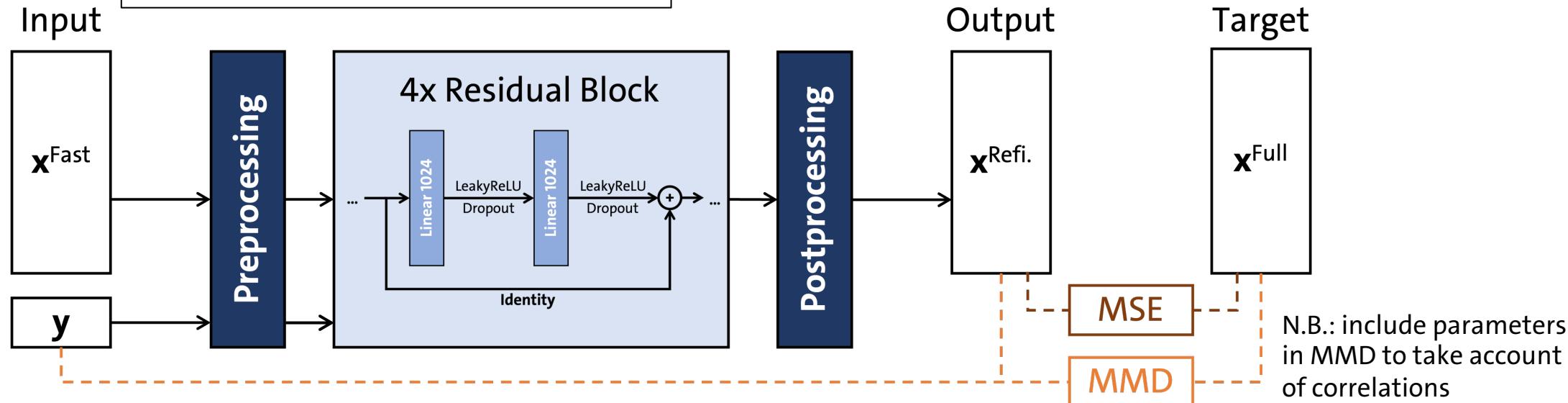
k : Gaussian kernel (adaptive σ)

- **Additional loss:** **MSE/Huber** (output-target pair-based) → correct for deterministic FastSim biases

- Use Huber loss:

$$l_n = \begin{cases} 0.5(x_n - y_n)^2, & \text{if } |x_n - y_n| < \text{delta} \\ \text{delta} * (|x_n - y_n| - 0.5 * \text{delta}), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

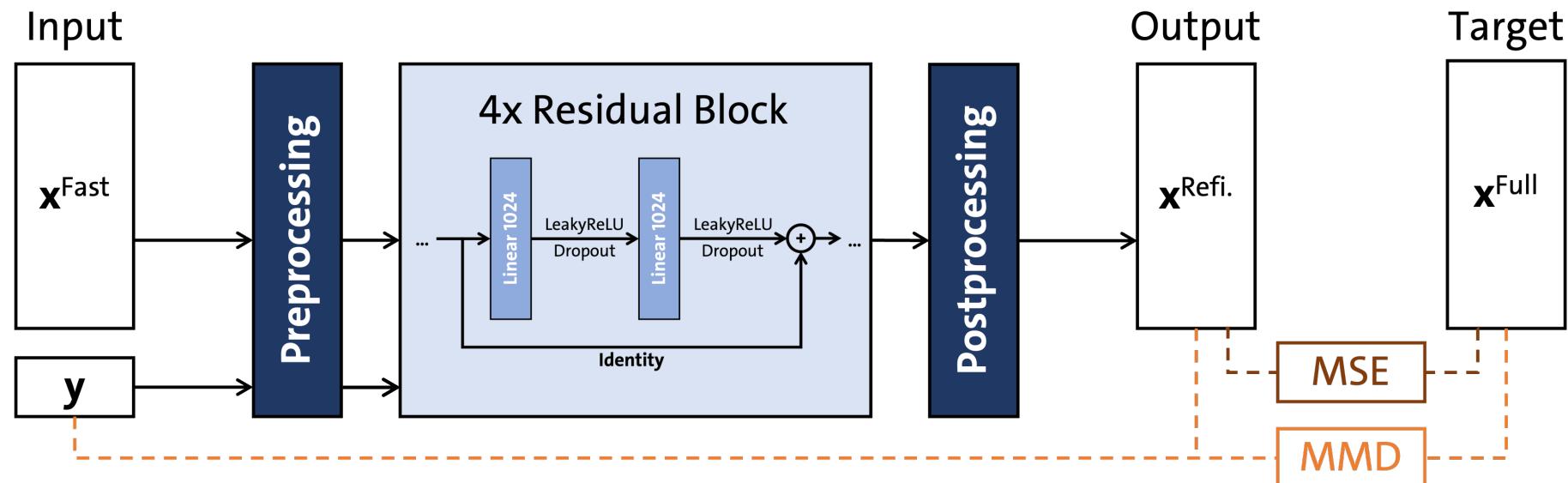
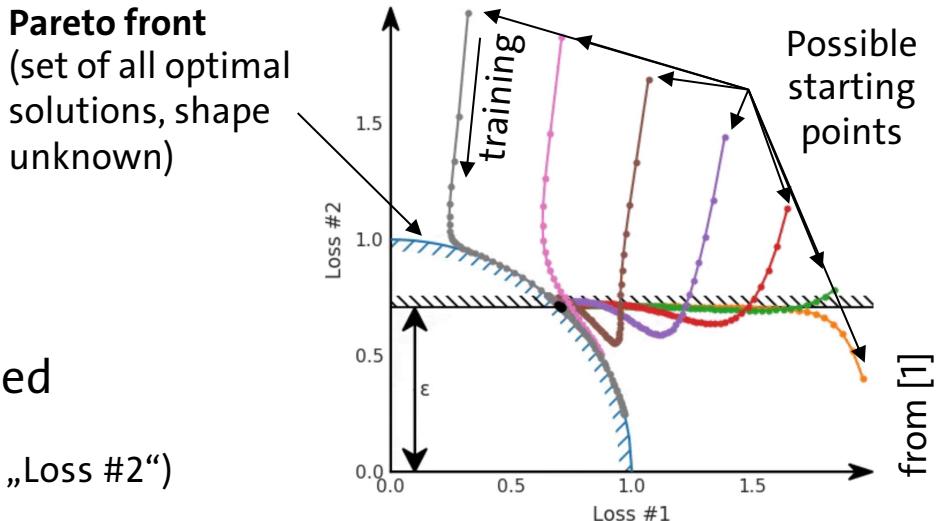
(combination of MSE/MAE, less sensitive to outliers)



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Combine loss terms via **MDMM algorithm**:

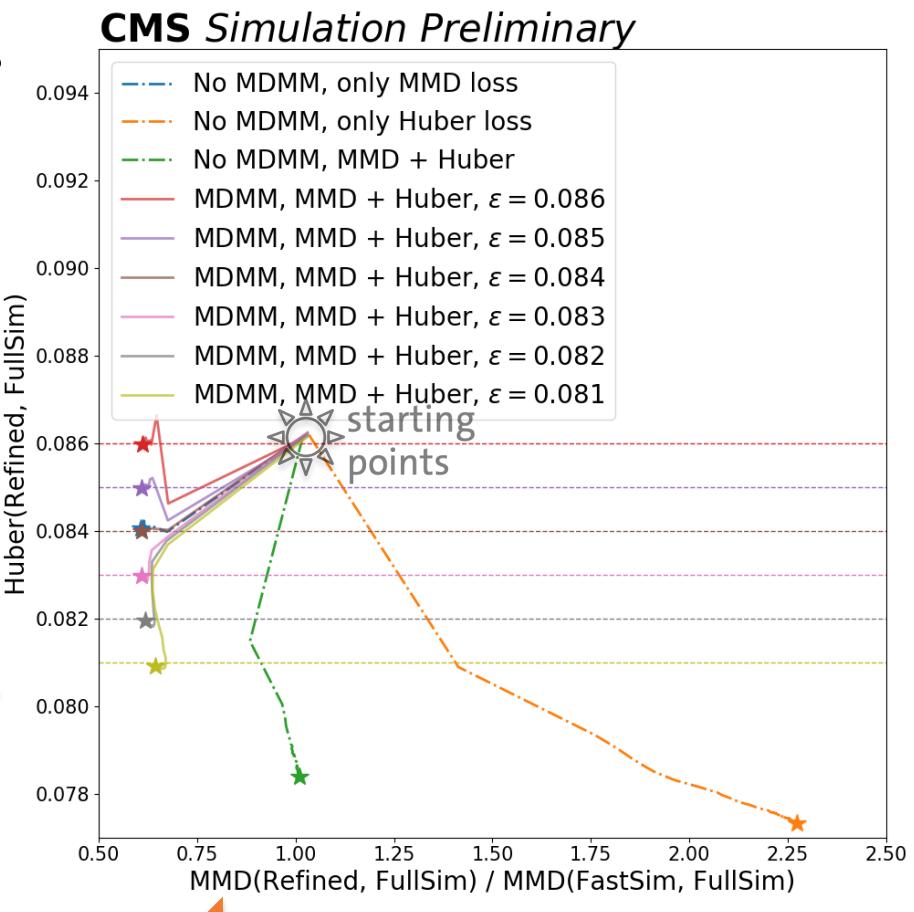
- Reframe problem as **constrained optimization** using **Lagrangian**:
 $\mathcal{L} = f(\theta) - \lambda * (\varepsilon - g(\theta)) \rightarrow$ convergence mathematically formalized
- Minimize $f(\theta)$ (primary loss, „Loss #1“) subject to $g(\theta) = \varepsilon$ (additional loss, „Loss #2“)
- Gradient descent for NN parameters θ , gradient ascent for Lagrange multiplier λ + damping



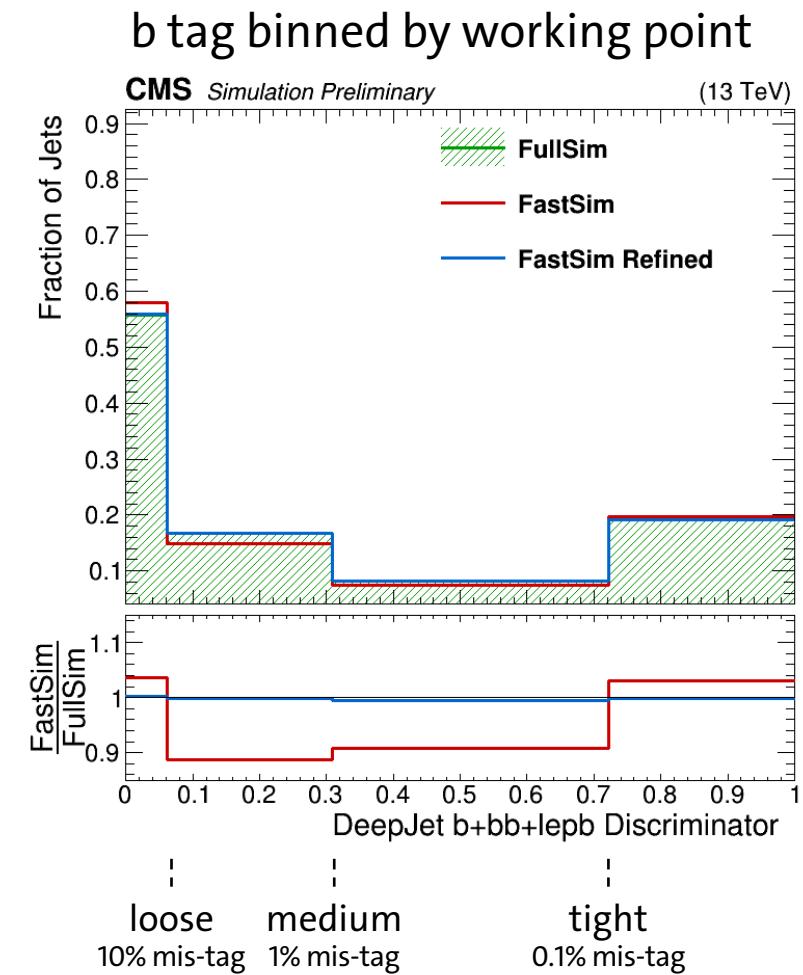
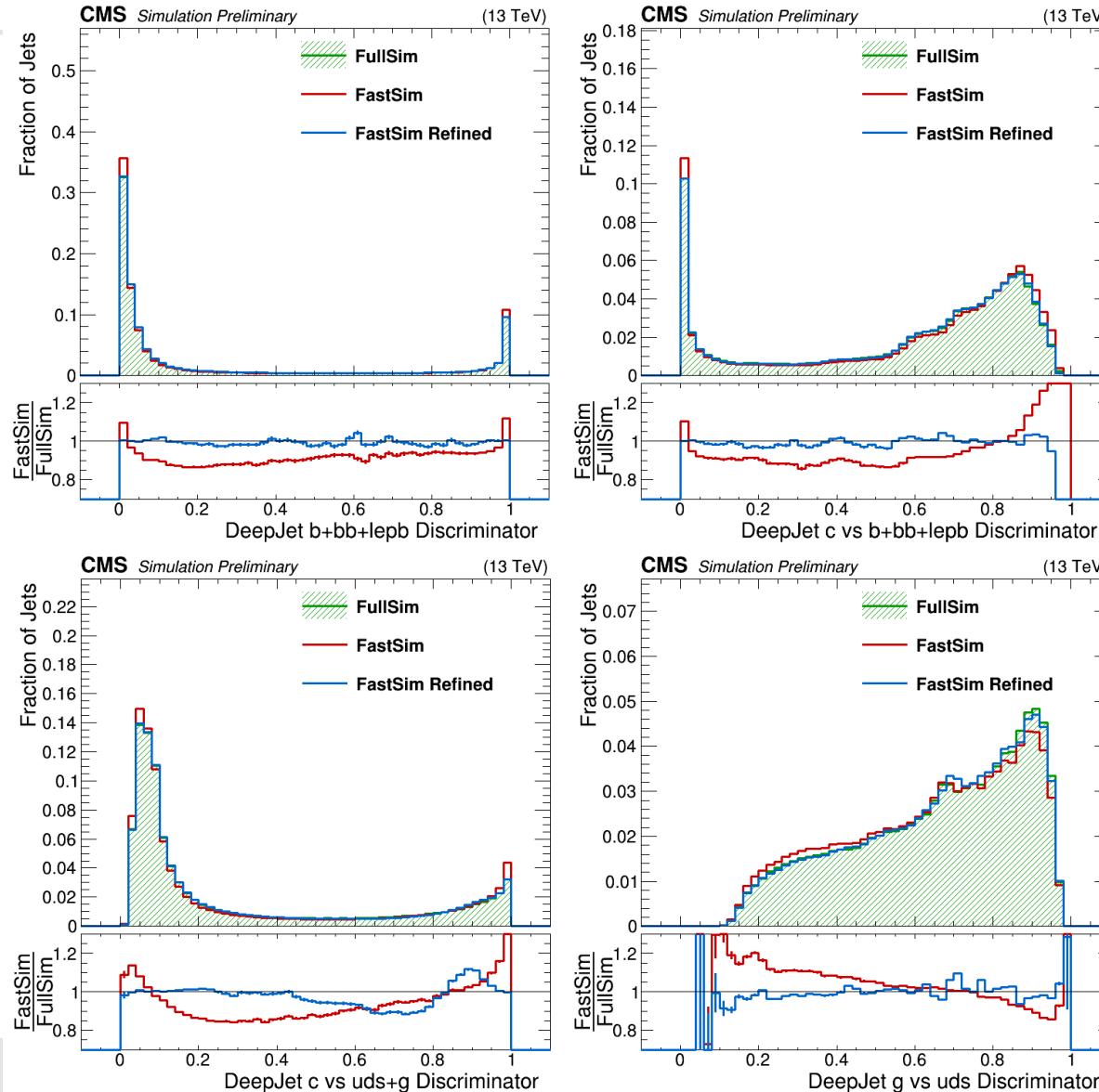
REFINING (REGRESSION) – TRAINING

- **Plot:** training convergence in plane of the two loss terms
 - Primary loss: **MMD(Refined, FullSim)** (horizontal axis)
 - Constraint: **Huber(Refined, FullSim)** (vertical axis)
- **No MDMM** (dash-dotted lines)
 - Only one loss or constant weighted addition
 - Convergence might not be optimal
- **With MDMM** (solid lines)
 - Scan of different ϵ values (horizontal dashed lines)
 - Convergence to desired point on Pareto front
 - Choose $\epsilon = 0.084$

jet-jet pairs close to FullSim

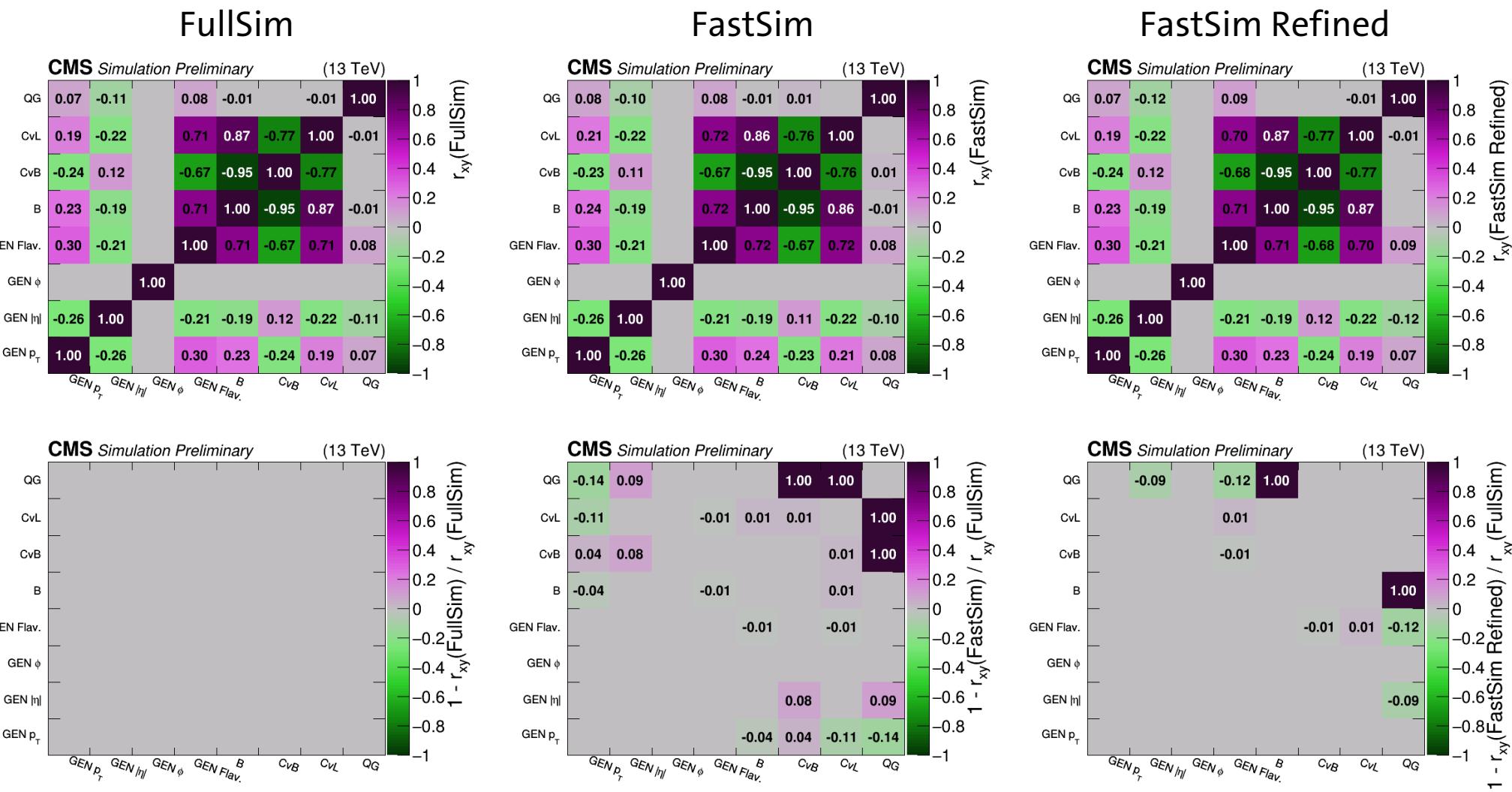



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Pearson correlation coefficients



SUMMARY & OUTLOOK

- ✓ ResNet-like regression NN can be used as **post-hoc refinement layer** to FastSim output
 - Considerably improved agreement with FullSim output
 - Improvement in correlations among output observables and external parameters
- ✓ Validation in TTbar events (different event topology)
- ✓ Corresponding pull request merged into CMSSW
 - Extend to other variables/objects (e.g., jet substructure)
 - Tune directly to data?

