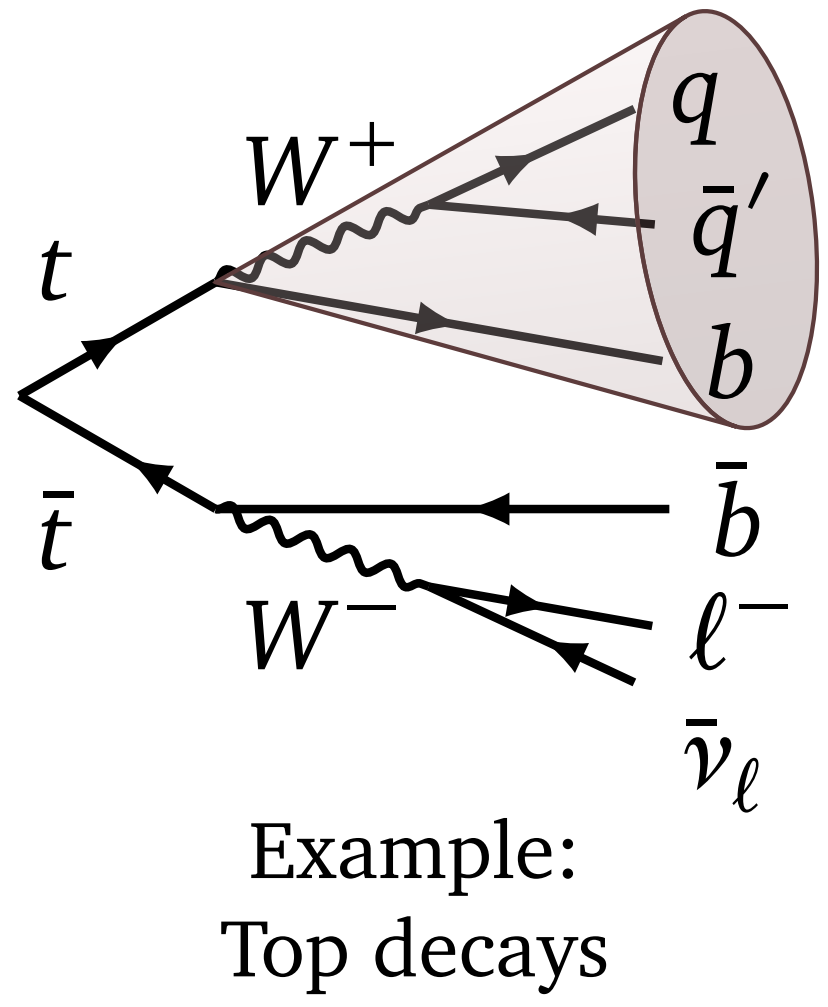


Generative Unfolding of Jets and Their Substructure



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Jet Structure



- Jet structure: set $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^N$ of collimated particles
 - Distortions between particle-level jets and jets reconstructed from detector measurements
- | Particle-level event | Reconstructed event |
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| $x_{\text{part}} = \{x_{\text{part},i}\}_{i=1}^{N_{\text{part}}}$ | $x_{\text{reco}} = \{x_{\text{reco},i}\}_{i=1}^{N_{\text{det}}}$ |
- $x_{\text{reco}} \sim p_{\text{data}}$ available from experiments
 - Datasets of pairs $(x_{\text{part}}, x_{\text{reco}}) \sim p_{\text{sim}}$ obtained from simulations

Generative Unfolding

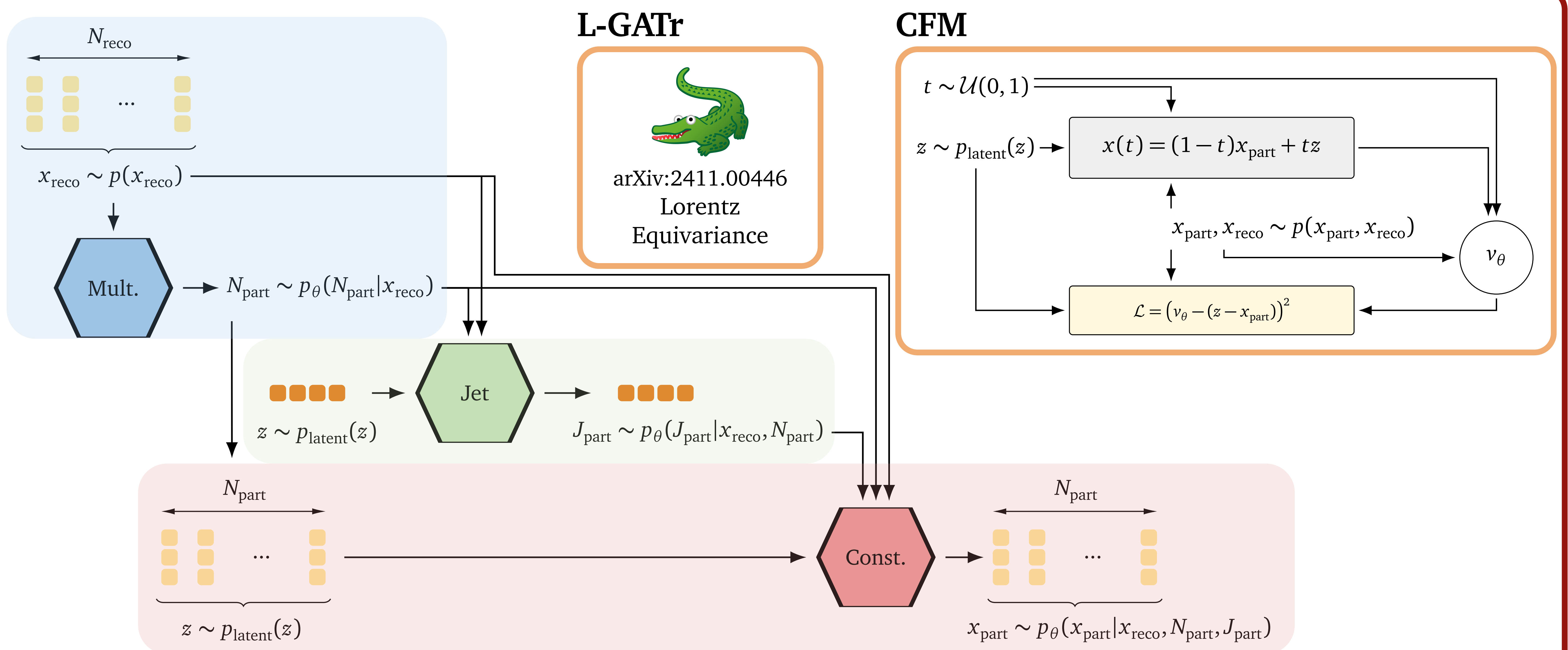
- Unfolding: recover undistorted distribution $p_{\text{unfold}}(x_{\text{part}})$

$$p_{\text{unfold}}(x_{\text{part}}) = \int dx_{\text{reco}} p(x_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}}) p_{\text{data}}(x_{\text{reco}})$$

- Requires conditional distributions $p(x_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}})$ given reconstructed x_{reco}
- Generative unfolding: learn approximate $p_{\theta}(x_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}}) \simeq p(x_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}})$
 - High-dimensional and unbinned, in contrast to traditional unfolding
 - Can sample from $p_{\theta}(x_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}})$ for any detector-level event
- Conditional Flow Matching: Learn a push-forward flow

$$z \sim p_{\text{latent}}(z) \mapsto x_{\text{part}} = \left[\int_0^1 dt f_{\theta}(z, t|x_{\text{reco}}) \right] \sim p_{\theta}(x_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}})$$

Three-steps Unfolding



$$p(x_{\text{part}}, J_{\text{part}}, N_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}}) = p(N_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}}) \times p(J_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}}, N_{\text{part}}) \times p(x_{\text{part}}|x_{\text{reco}}, N_{\text{part}}, J_{\text{part}})$$

1. Multiplicity

Mixture of 5 Gaussians
 $N_{\text{part}} \sim \sum_{i=1}^5 w_i \mathcal{N}(\mu_i, \sigma_i)$

2. Jet Kinematics

Auxiliary jet parametrization
 $J_{\text{part}} = (\log p_{T,J}, \phi_J, \eta_J, \log m_J^2)$

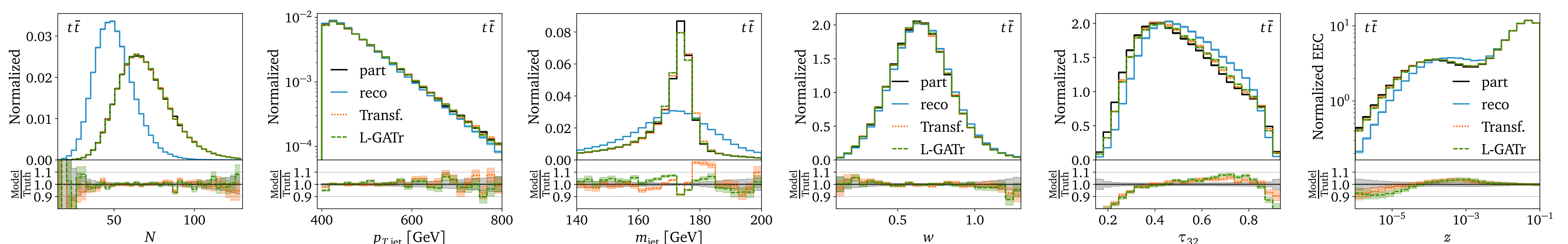
3. Constituents Kinematics

Unfolding of constituents around the auxiliary jet
 $x_{\text{part},i} = (\log p_{T,i} - \log p_{T,J}, \phi_i - \phi_J, \eta_i - \eta_J)$

- Three-steps sampling process with distinct networks
- Two auxiliary variables: multiplicity N_{part} and jet kinematics J_{part}
- Unfolded jet entirely constructed from the constituents x_{part}

- Transformer-based architecture with encoder and decoder blocks
- Flow learned in specified kinematics coordinates
- End-to-end Lorentz-equivariant version using L-GATr architecture

Results



- Plots of observables for boosted top jets ($p_{T,J} > 400$ GeV)
 - Percent-level accuracy for the constituents kinematics unfolding
 - Precise unfolding of the jet substructure, even for sharp features
 - More plots and additional dataset in the paper

First generative unfolding method to unfold several hundred dimensions at once and achieve high precision on the full jet substructure.