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Personal and Academic interests

Personal interests





Heidelberg

- I am from Ecuador.
- Born in a small town called Ambato near Quito.
- My major hobbies are:
 - Climbing ("cordillera de los Andes")
 - Chess (chess.com user: carlos_cocha)
 - ✤ Football
 - Judo (begginer)
 - Enjoying Germany (castles, sausages, bread, beer, bureaucracy ...)
- Looking forward to expand my network within LHCb and the SMARTHEP project.



Ambato city and Chimborazo mountain (closest point to sun)



Academic interests



CMS cavern, 2019



Ecuadorian community at CERN .

- My passion for **HEP** started in 2019 (CERN Summer Program).
- My **computing** skills were boosted during my master (University of Padova):
 - ✤ Thesis: *b* and *c*-jets identification with **quantum ML** algorithms for the Higgs search at LHCb.



- Internships: PRACE Summer of HPC about the use of hybrid computing architectures in HEP.
- Excited to contribute within an LHC experiment and learn from particle physics and RTA experts.
- Acquire all the possible knowledge to become an active member in this field.

Project Description



Model

- Dark photon can kinetically mix with the SM photon
- Extend the SM by a new 'dark' gauge group U(1)': $\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}F'_{\mu\nu}F'^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_{A'}^2A'_{\mu}A'^{\mu} + \epsilon e A'_{\mu}J^{\mu}_{EM}$ $m_{A'}$: dark photon mass ϵ : kinetic-mixing parameter

Rare charm decay

 $D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0 A', \qquad A' \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

- $m_{A'} \in [2m_e, \Delta m_D]$
- Displaced search: $\epsilon^2 \in [10^{-10}, 10^{-6}]$
- Prompt search: $\epsilon^2 \in [10^{-7}, 10^{-4}]$
- Production rate: ~ 5 kHz

Goal

Develop an advanced RTA-based analysis to efficiently select decays involving di-electron vertices with low invariant mass for the dark photon A' search.



Tools

- LHCb detector: excellent SV resolution and PID
- LHCb trigger: select soft final states
- Advanced ML algorithms: electron classification.

Secondments

- IGFAE at University of Santiago de Compostela: training in highly parallel architectures (GPUs) for the LHCb online reconstruction.
- **TU Dortmund:** developing RTA electron classification with experts and PhD students.
- VERIZON: training in ML models based on streams of data.





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Let's start with the **prompt** search:

	To-do list	
1	Literature (theoretical and experimental) review	
2	Development of a HLT2 trigger line	
	Learn about upgraded LHCb trigger software development	
	Produce Run-III MC for the signal: $D^{*0} \rightarrow (D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+) e^+ e^-$	
	Write the trigger line	
	Optimize the trigger selection efficiency and rates	
3	Deploy the trigger line by the end of the commissioning	
4	Assess trigger performance with early real data	
To be continued		



Thanks



