From Raw data to Physics Results (2/3)

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The particle physics cycle

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Course outline

- **• Lecture 1**
	- The journey of raw data from the detector to a publication

• Lecture 2

- How we reconstruct fundamental physics processes from raw detector data
- **• Lecture 3**
	- How we extract our signals from the mountain of data, finding needles in the haystack

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Data's journey

The ATLAS Detector @ LHC

Millions of detector readout channels read out to reconstruct one "event"

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This is a pattern recognition problem, which technique might be used to solve it?

Modern track pattern recognition uses Machine Learning: [Connect the Dots](https://indico.cern.ch/event/1103637/timetable/?view=standard)

Track fitting

Perfect measurement – ideal ◎

Imperfect measurement - reality ◉

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- **Quantitatively:** ◎
	- Parameterize the track; ◉
	- Find parameters by Least-Squares-Minimization; ◎
	- Obtain also uncertainties on the track parameters. ◎

At the LHC: more than one proton collision - more than one vertex

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Figures adapted from Michaela Schaumann's [third lecture](https://indico.cern.ch/event/817568/) (11/07/19) on "Particle Accelerators and Beam Dynamics" LHC collisions

• The LHC accelerates *bunches of 1011 protons* separated by 25ns gaps

proton collisions in one recorded event

Track $pT > 0.5$ GeV

Z->µµ event; 2011 data.

The more bunches

are squeezed, the

of simultaneous

higher the luminosity,

the larger the number

Calorimeter reconstruction

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Jet reconstruction

- Quarks and gluons *hadronize* quickly and we detect *sprays of hadronic particles* in our detectors - we call these *jets,* proxies for the initial particle(s), we reconstruct them using *jet algorithms*
- Hadronic particles leave energy deposits in the *cells* of the calorimeter, to reconstruct the energy of the hadronic particle, e.g. a proton, we need to sum the energy of the *cluster* of cells in which the proton deposited energy
- Deciding which cells belong to which cluster is a pattern recognition problem

Modern jet reconstruction uses Machine Learning!

Neutrinos

- Let's look at the simplest case for reconstructing neutrinos
- Remember, we are looking down the beam pipe, so the plane of the display is transverse to the proton beam direction
- **Recall**: Can you quantify the momentum in this plane **before** the proton collision
	- *What does that tell you about the distribution of momentum after the collision?*

Q. How would this look if we had a W boson instead of a Z boson ?

- Modern simulation, reconstruction and analysis employ heavy use of Machine Learning techniques. See Foundation of Statistics for an introduction to the key concepts. There are also some excellent resources online, e.g.:
- [Google Machine Learning Crash Course](https://developers.google.com/machine-learning/crash-course)

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Machine learning (regression)

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L = \sum_{N} (y_{model} - y_{data})^2
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- Linear least squares minimisation compares a model to data
- The basic metric to quantify the comparison is the sum of the (squared) difference between the model prediction and the actual data point
- Minimising this metric gives us the best parameters of the model of the data, for a given model. We are often in a situation where we need to guess the model.

Machine learning (regression)

- We can increase the complexity of the model (increase the number of parameters) and achieve a better fit
- The cost of increased complexity is reduced applicability of our model, rendering it less useful as a general model of all data (and not just the data we are fitting)
- Striking a balance between model complexity and quality of fit is needed to avoid overfitting our data and producing a model that we can reliably extrapolate to data not used in the fit

ML classification (supervised)

Underfitting **Balanced** Overfitting

- Classification works in a similar way, here we try to model the separation between two populations, red and blue (these are "truth" labels, hence this is supervised machine learning)
	- Instead of fitting a model that describes the shape of the data points, we are effectively fitting a model that describes the shape that separates the data points
- Again we need to be careful not to overfit our training data or our model will not be general enough to describe new data not used in the original fit

Clustering, unsupervised ML classification

- Sometimes there is no truth, for example reconstructing clusters of energy deposits in calorimeters
- Instead of defining a number of clusters to reconstruct and tuning that model, we cluster energy deposits (cells) around a varying number of centres ($N_{clusters} = 1,2,3...)$
- We need a metric to choose the best solution $(N_{clusters})$, e.g. increasing the number of clusters by 1 did not improve the total cluster quality by >10%

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Q. What effects would we see due to the presence of material?

Real vs perfect tracking detectors

- **• The perfect tracking detector**
	- **•is constructed from zero mass material**
	- **• has no noise**
	- **•is 100% efficient**
	- **• and has infinite resolution**
- **• A real tracking detector**
	- **•is constructed from real material**
		- **• particles interact with the detector and scatter, altering the particle trajectory**
	- **• suffers from noise**
		- **• noise can be confused with particle tracks**
	- **• has less than 100% efficiency**

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- **• particles are not always detected and there can even be dead regions**
- **• has finite resolution**
	- **•it may not always be possible to resolve two particle trajectories**

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	- ATLAS quickly implemented and commissioned a correction procedure as part of its calibration process
	- Following the correction the performance of the detector was back to nominal

Calibration quality

- Thinking back to the difference between *accuracy* and *precision*, which versions of the data are *accurate*, and which are *precise*?
- Which are both?

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Data Quality

Check during data taking

Check a fraction of the data with a quick calibration

Check all of the data with the best calibration - publish this data !!

What makes good data quality?

• The **ATLAS IBL** is a good example of a *data quality* problem

Potential data quality issues need to be monitored

- We need a reference, here that would be the **black** histogram, how we expect the data to look
- If the data quality shifter sees the blue or red histogram, they will raise the alarm!

Reconstruction figures of merit and data quality

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Data's journey - next time, analysis!

Contact details

- I am usually based at Geneva Observatory in Versoix, but will be here at CERN Wednesday 28th through Friday 30th June.
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