

Flavour anomalies and how to solve them

Big anomalies vs. big data

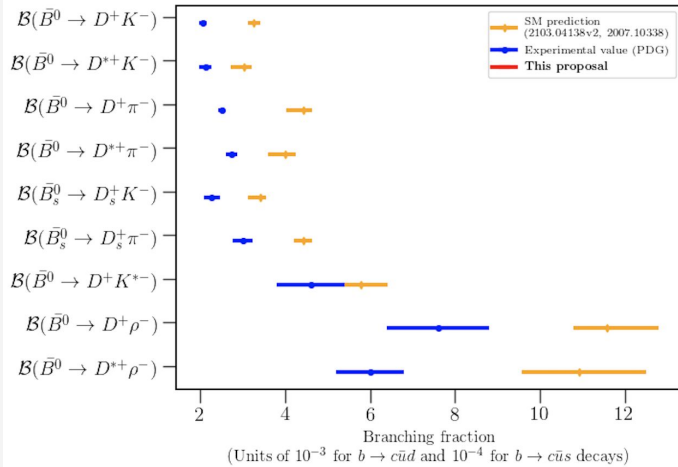
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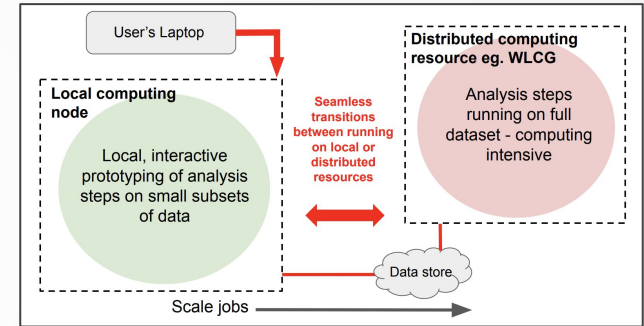


My research

Flavour anomalies in B20C

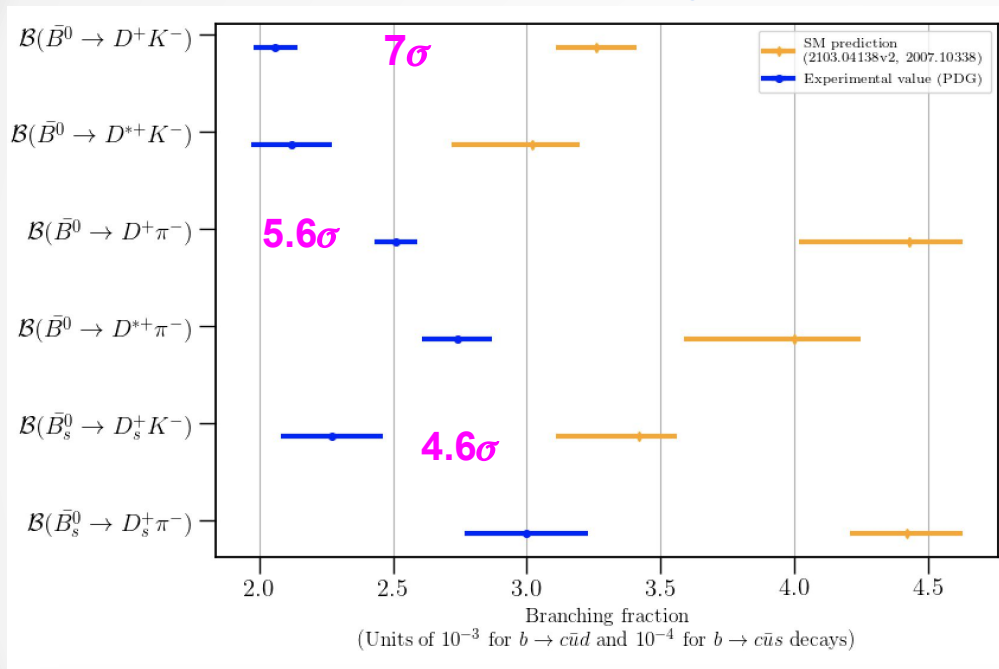


Data processing and analysis



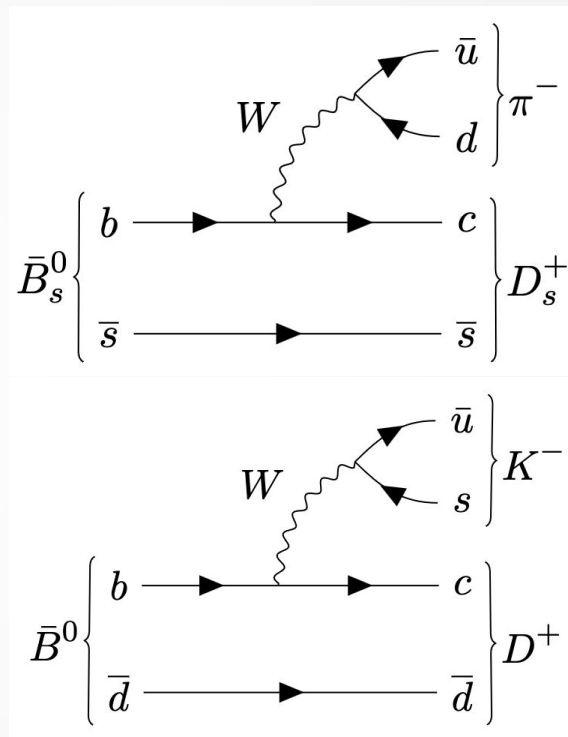
The b-decay rate anomaly

Rates of hadronic b-decays - 2023



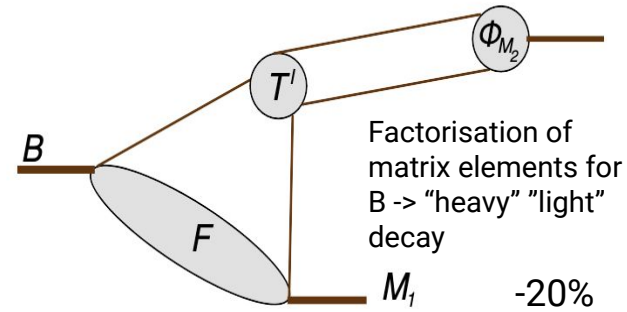
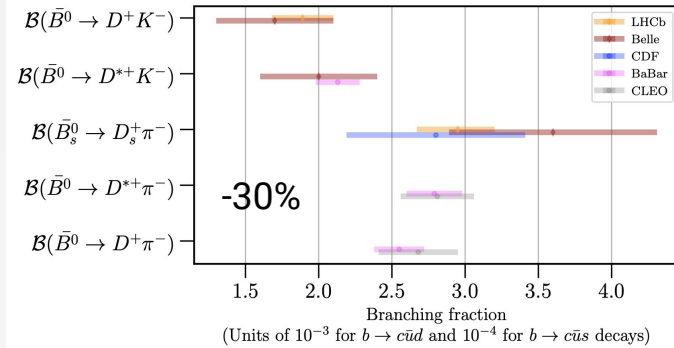
Reliable theory predictions - used extensively for matter-antimatter asymmetry studies

Golden modes



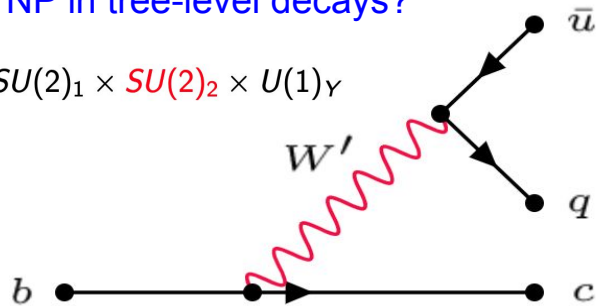
No penguin/annihilation process

The b-decay rate anomaly



NP in tree-level decays?

$$SU(2)_1 \times SU(2)_2 \times U(1)_Y$$



CP asymmetries

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Testing the Standard Model with CP asymmetries in flavor-specific nonleptonic decays

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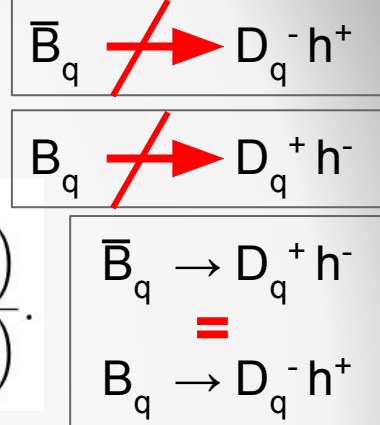
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Motivated by recent indications that the rates of color-allowed nonleptonic channels are not in agreement with their Standard Model expectations based on QCD factorization, we investigate the potential to study CP asymmetries with these decays. In the Standard Model, these flavor-specific decays are sensitive to CP violation in B^0_s - \bar{B}^0_s mixing, which is predicted with low uncertainties and can be measured precisely with semileptonic decays. Allowing beyond Standard Model (BSM) contributions to the nonleptonic decay amplitudes, we derive explicit expressions for the flavor-specific CP asymmetries in a model-independent way. We find that BSM contributions could lead to significant enhancements to the CP asymmetries. Therefore measurements of these quantities and subsequent comparison with the CP asymmetries measured with semileptonic decays have potential to identify BSM effects without relying on Standard Model predictions that might be affected by hadronic effects. In addition, we discuss the experimental prospects, and note the excellent potential for a precise determination of the CP asymmetry in $B_s \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^-$ decays by the LHCb experiment.

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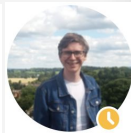
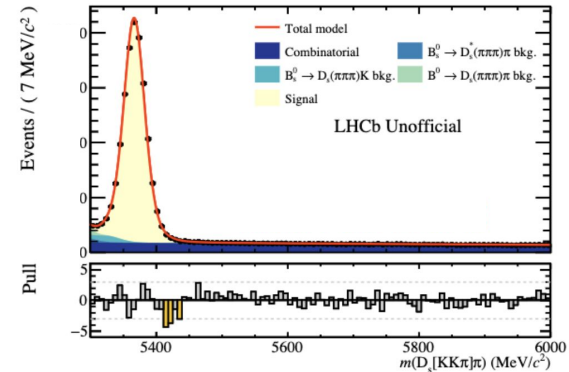
CP asymmetry measurements in the golden modes can probe BSM effects independent of theoretical uncertainties

$$A_{\text{fs}}^q(D_q^+ h^-) = \frac{\Gamma(B_q^0(t) \rightarrow D_q^+ h^-) - \Gamma(\bar{B}_q^0(t) \rightarrow D_q^- h^+)}{\Gamma(B_q^0(t) \rightarrow D_q^+ h^-) + \Gamma(\bar{B}_q^0(t) \rightarrow D_q^- h^+)}$$



LHCb run 3 has the best prospects for this BSM search

- These CP asymmetries have never been measured before
- Leading team of PhDs in Run 2 measurement with $B_s \rightarrow D_s \pi$
 - Experimentally favourable
 - Mature state
- Run 3 + will provide unprecedented samples of these decays providing sensitivities to BSM effects at 6×10^{-4}



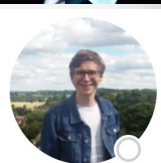
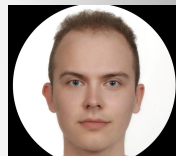
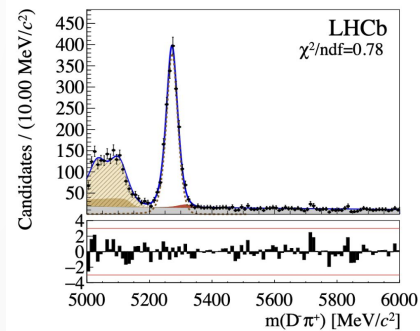
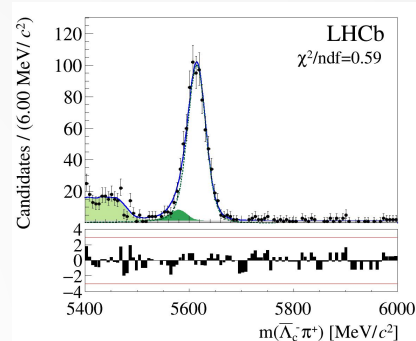
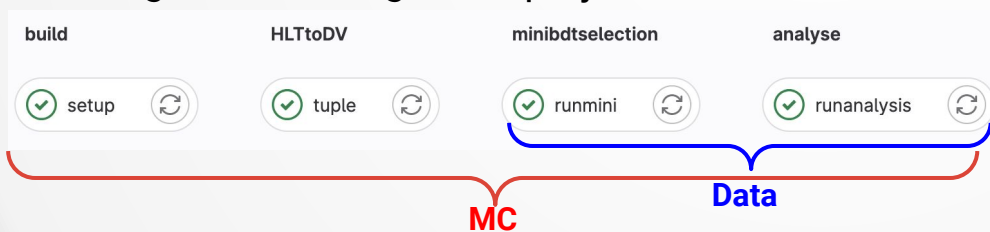
Early measurements

“LHCb Upgrade is a new detector”

Verify LHCb performance by measuring known observables with early Run 3 data

- ERC team measuring b-hadron production cross sections using hadronic decays
 - First hadronic measurements of these observables thanks to Upgrade trigger strategy
- Competitive with muon modes with 100pb^{-1}

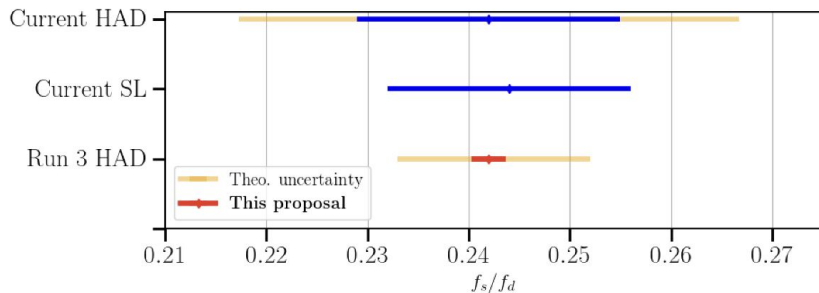
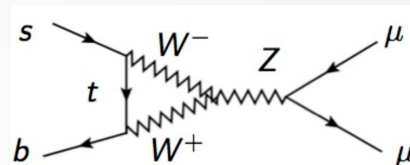
Automated GitLab analysis pipelines run periodically - important when working with evolving LHCb projects



Early measurements

Lead an extension to the project - measurement of f_s/f_d using hadronic decays

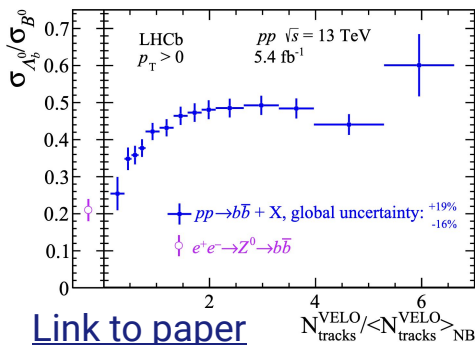
- Both early measurement and full Run 3 analysis
- Key input parameter and limiting systematic to $\text{BF}(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu)$
- Current value dominated by SL decays
 - Hadronic measurement sensitive to low p_T



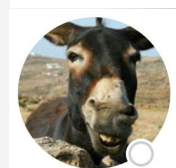
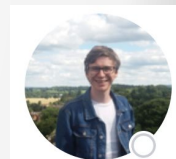
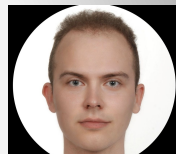
Factor 8 increase in experimental sensitivity and theoretical uncertainty reduction to 5% will allow a comparison with the SL measurement for the first time which is itself a test of BSM in hadronic b decays

Valeriia has joined the team :)

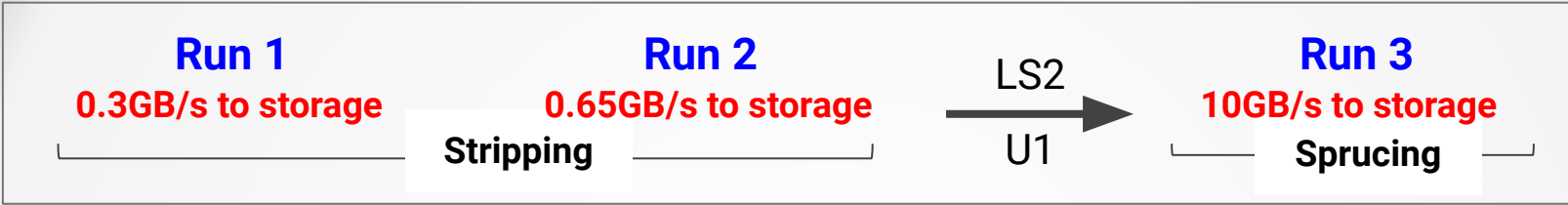
- Study fL_b/f_d and its dependence on multiplicity



[Link to paper](#)



Data Processing and Analysis



Run 3 increase in data rate necessitated re-design of LHCb **Offline** (post trigger) activities

Offline Analysis Task Force
 Assess offline requirements for
 Run 3 and beyond



Remit post-trigger to papers
 Third year of operation
 LHCb DPA deputy PL
 40 members from 20 institutes

DPA has a huge remit and person-power is always required on some very cool projects

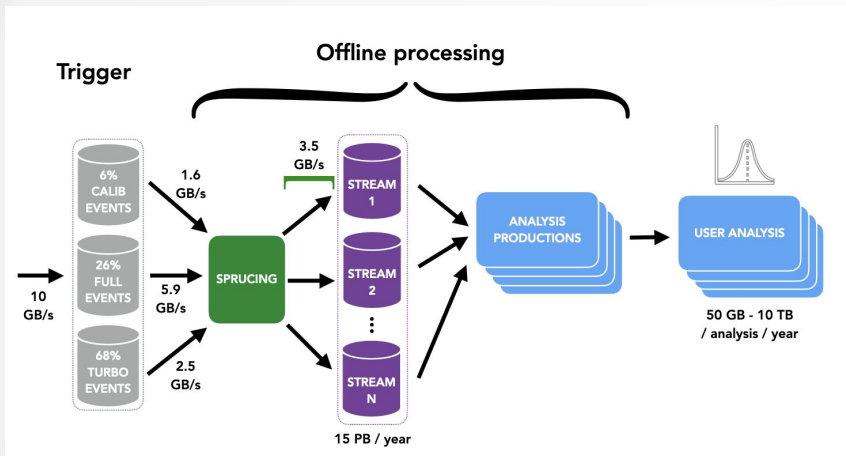
- Exploiting GPU farm for end-user analysis (analysis facilities)
- Open data - nTuple Wizard (UI design)
- LHCb [Grand Analysis Challenge](#)
- Unifying frameworks of Allen and Gaudi for HL-LHC - resource independent API (shared with RTA)

**DPA will be where the next
 advancements will take place**

Data Processing and Analysis

Fundamental component of re-design is Offline data processing and selection model

Developed the Sprucing for LHCb Run 3 and beyond



Tape

Disk

Sprucing successfully running on 2023 data

- Bridge between Online and Offline Sectors
- Reduces the data bandwidth from 10 GB/s to 3.5 GB/s through a mix of event slimming, event skimming, creation of metadata stores summarising file content and data compression depending on stream
- Balance cheaper tape against instantly accessible disk storage
- Allows preservation of full event reconstruction despite increase in data rate
 - Essential for data mining in future
- Unify codebase of Online and Offline sectors

Sprucing

Sprucing status

Sprucing campaign [status tracker](#)

[Link to documentation](#)

Passthrough Sprucing on TURBO and TURCAL streams

- **Commissioning23** "7-8th July data" ✓
/LHCb/Commissioning23/Beam6800GeV-VeloClosed-MagDown-Excl-UT/Real Data/SprucingPass23
- **Collision23** ✓
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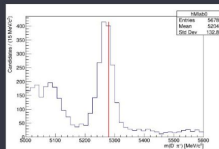
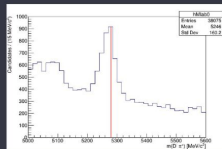
Exclusive Sprucing on FULL stream

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- **Collision23** ✓
/LHCb/Collision23/Beam6800GeV-VeloClosed-MagDown-Excl-UT/Real Data/Sprucing23r1/



Alessandro Bertolin 2:03 PM

good afternoon all, this is that I get from an AP running on the B2OC Bd2DPI exclusive spruce line (copy/paste of candidates):



For exclusive Sprucing on FULL streams

Data processed	Moore MR label	HLT2 Moore	Sprucing Moore	processing_pass for exclusive (full/turcal)	Status	BKK path
Collision22			vxyz	Sprucing22	In preparation	
7-8th July	Spruce_June23	v54r12	v54r19	Sprucing23	Delivered	/LHCb/Commissioning23/Beam6800GeV-VeloClosed-MagDown-Excl-UT/Real Data/Sprucing23/
Rest of 2023 (not 7-8th, COLLISION23)		v54r16	v54r19	Sprucing23r1	Delivered	/LHCb/Collision23/Beam6800GeV-VeloClosed-MagDown-Excl-UT/Real Data/Sprucing23r1/
SMOG 23 data	Spruce_SMOG	vxyz	vxyz			

For Passthrough Sprucing on TURBO/TURCAL streams

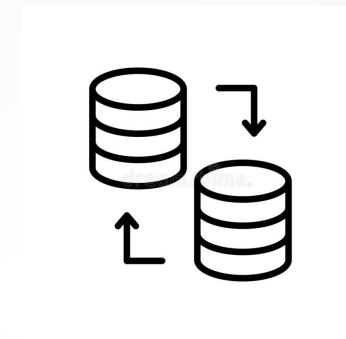
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SMOG 23 data	Spruce_SMOG	vxyz	vxyz			

HEP Software Foundation (HSF)



High Energy Physics has a vast investment in software

```
Testing.java x
1 class TestClass
2 {
3     int val1;
4     int val2;
5
6     TestClass(int x, int y)
7     {
8         val1 = x;
9         val2 = y;
10    }
11 }
12
13 class Testing
14 {
15     static public void main (String args[])
16     {
17         String string1 = new String("hello world.");
18         TestClass foo = new TestClass(2,4);
19     }
20 }
```



50M lines of C++
Worth 500M\$

1M CPU cores every hour

100PB of data
transfers per year

1000PB of data

LHC and non-LHC experiments face the same software challenges

- Evolve to meet these challenges and overcome limitations
- Exploit expertise inside and outside our community
- Cannot afford duplicated efforts

HEP Software Foundation (HSF)



Data Analysis

Reconstruction and Software Triggers

Training

“The HEP Software Foundation (HSF) facilitates collaborations in High Energy Physics software and computing internationally and consists of over 700 scientists, software experts and technicians.”

Frameworks

Detector simulation

Software Developer tools and packaging

Physics generators

Analysis facilities forum

HEP Software Foundation (HSF)

Aim to make the publication of physics results efficient both in terms of human and computing resources

- 150+ members
- Bridge between physics analysts and technical innovators inside and outside of HEP
- Foster optimal big-data solutions to HEP challenges

Computing and Software for Big Science 2022:613
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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Constraints on Future Analysis Metadata Systems in High Energy Physics

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Abstract
In high energy physics (HEP), analysis metadata comes in many forms—from theoretical cross-sections, to calibration corrections, to details about file processing. Correctly applying metadata is a crucial and often time-consuming step in an analysis, but designing analysis metadata systems has historically received little direct attention. Among other considerations, an ideal metadata tool should be easy to use by new analysts, should scale to large data volumes and diverse processing paradigms, and should enable future analysis reinterpretation. This document, which is the product of community discussions organized by the HEP Software Foundation, categorizes types of metadata by scope and format and gives examples of current metadata solutions. Important design considerations for metadata systems, including sociological factors, analysis preservation efforts, and technical factors, are discussed. A list of best practices and technical requirements for future analysis metadata systems is presented. These best practices could guide the development of a future cross-experimental effort for analysis metadata tools.

Keywords High energy physics · Data analysis · Metadata · Scientific computing · Databases

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Last week!

Training and Onboarding initiatives in High Energy Physics experiments

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Abstract
In this paper we document the current analysis software training and onboarding activities in several High Energy Physics (HEP) experiments: ATLAS, CMS, LHCb, Belle II and DUNE. Past and efficient onboarding of new collaboration members is increasingly important for HEP experiments as analysis and the related software become ever more complex with growing datasets. A working series was held by the HEP Software Foundation (HSF) in 2022 for experiments to showcase their initiatives. Here we document and analyse these in an attempt to determine a set of key considerations for future experiments.

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Keywords: High energy physics, data analysis, scientific computing, training, onboarding

Next meeting on HS3

*HS3 standardizes the machine- and human-readable serialization of all components involved in model fitting as used in High Energy Physics. This includes the **definition of the model, the data as well as the loss function.***

Particularly important for LHCb!

Analysis Facilities

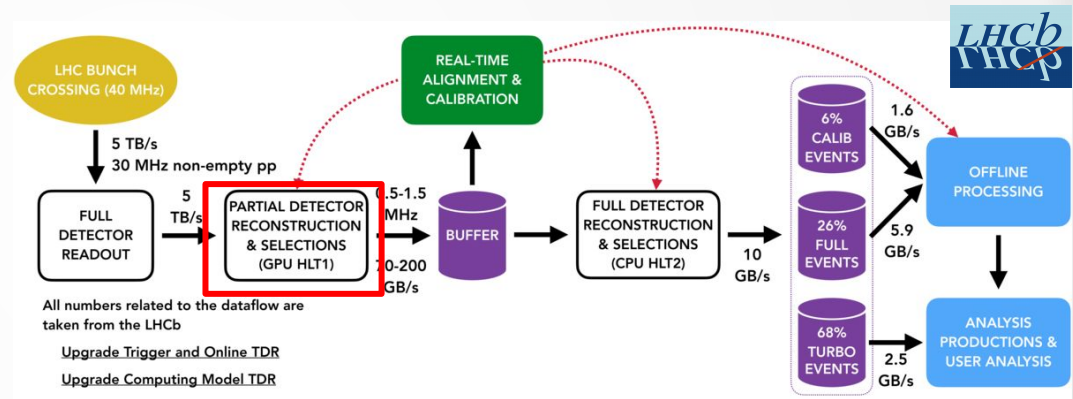
HL-LHC era (2029---) will produce unprecedented scientific data volumes at multi-exabyte scale to be analysed

- Other big-data scientific experiments such as DUNE and SKA also come online in next decade
- Current methods will not scale with event count

Significant R&D has taken place for detector technologies and computing for online data processing

Almost no R&D into end-user analysis

Urgent R&D into end-user analysis is required so that this does not become the bottleneck that limits the return of future scientific endeavours



HL-LHC Software and Computing Review Panel Report 2022

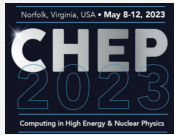
For the HL-LHC, the analysis model will continue to evolve, driven by significantly more data, and the experiments should consider becoming more involved in strategies for end-user analysis including the development of tools.

Analysis Facilities

Integrated Analysis Facilities (AF) can be the way forward

"Infrastructure providing the data, software and computational resources to execute an analysis workflow. ... shared and supported through virtual organization."

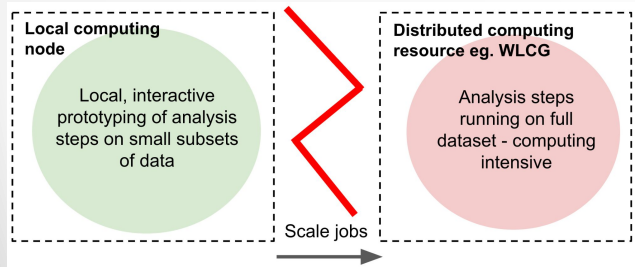
AFs are a focus at the highest levels



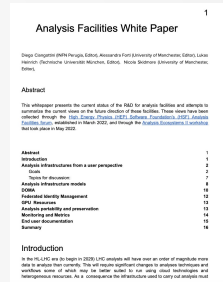
154th LHCC Meeting

"The LHCC recommends that experiments engage in the process of developing and defining the structure of the future Analysis Facilities"

- Local and distributed analysis worlds fundamentally disjoint
- Disrupt analysis workflows - inefficient analysis
 - Submission to distributed resources unnecessarily complex - users do not exploit resources fully

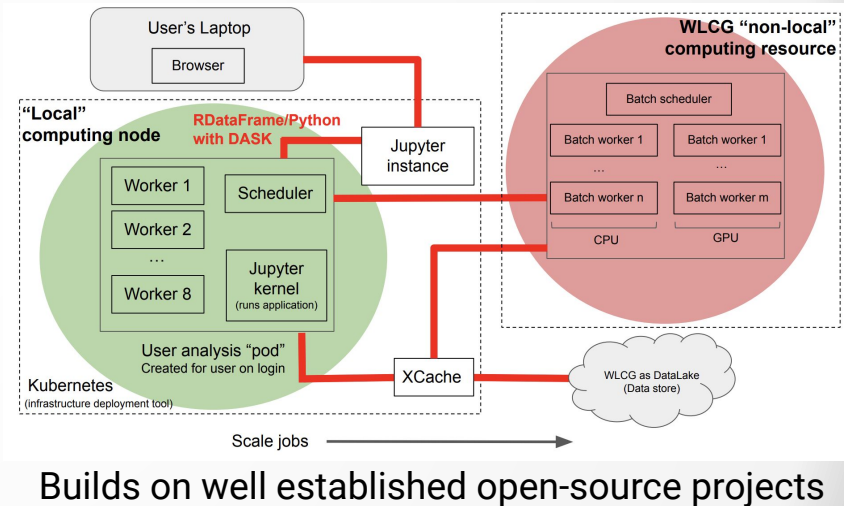


AFs can create the required link between local and distributed worlds allowing seamless scaling



Analysis Facilities

- Instances of facilities exist but have fundamental limitations
 - US ATLAS and CMS groups - LHC GPD specific
 - Scale to on-site resources at AF host labs - have to be member of US ATLAS VO
- ERC proposal to create cross-experiment, packaged analysis facility that uses the **WLCG*** as a datalake and HTC resource
 - WLCG available to everyone in a LHC-recognised VO
- Integration with WLCG is crazy challenging but not impossible
- **Needs dedicated FTEs and RSEs** working on this
 - The R&D by itself would push us forward



Baler project

Storing and sharing ever-increasing datasets is a cross-discipline issue affecting scientific research and industry

- High demand for data compression ratios higher than loss-less methods can achieve

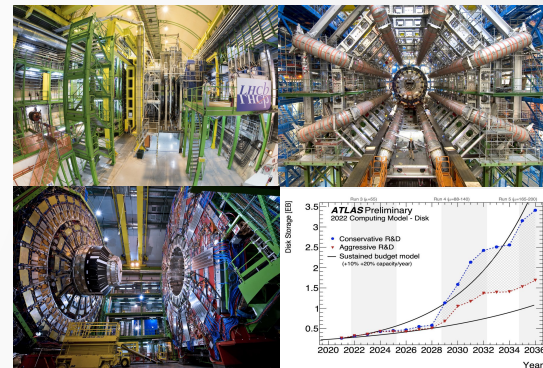
Lossy compression results in the permanent discarding of data but when compression techniques are tailored to the datatype the data loss is inconsequential

- MP3 compression uses psychoacoustics exploiting the limitations of human hearing to discard data
- MP3 will not work for HEP data

Is there a way to tailor compression techniques to the input dataset?



8.5EB of data over 15-year lifespan



Order of magnitude more analysis data by Run 5

Baler project

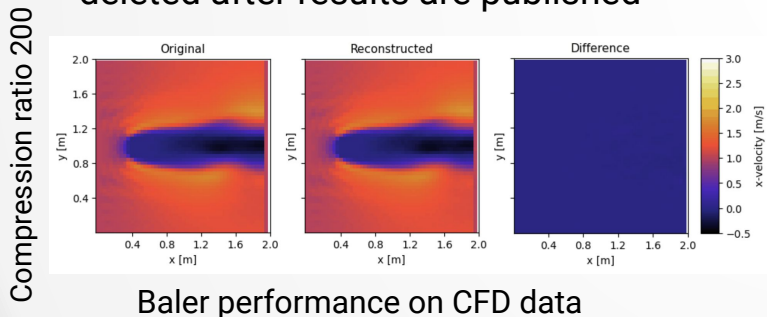


Baler is tool for Machine Learning based lossy data compression for use across scientific disciplines and industry

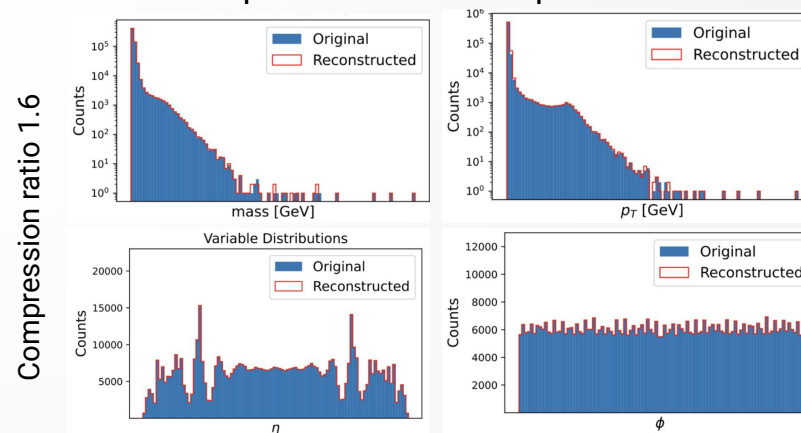
- Trains Autoencoders* to compress input data based on chosen hyper-parameters
- Cross-discipline collaboration between HEP/CFD researchers, Computer Scientists and ML experts



CFD researchers have to store and share TB-sized simulation files that often have to be deleted after results are published



In HEP more data is better - higher statistics compensate for loss in precision



*Also used in noise reduction and anomaly finding

Baler project



github.com/baler-compressor

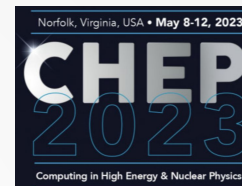
Baler - Machine Learning Based Compression of Scientific Data

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ABSTRACT: Storing and sharing increasingly large datasets is a challenge across scientific research and industry. In this paper, we document the development and applications of Baler - a Machine Learning based data compression tool for use across scientific disciplines and industry. Here, we present Baler's performance for the compression of High Energy Physics (HEP) data, as well as its application to Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) toy data as a proof-of-principle. We also present suggestions for cross-disciplinary guidelines to enable feasibility studies for machine learning based compression for scientific data.

[Arxiv: 2305.02283](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.02283)



[CHEP talk](#)

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Working Example

Create New Project Directory
poetry run python baler --mode=newProject --project=firstProject

Training
poetry run python baler --project=firstProject --mode=train

Compressing
poetry run python baler --project=firstProject --mode=compress

Decompressing
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Plotting
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Baler has extensive applications in scientific research

- Huge potential for HEP **simulation samples**
- Preservation of derived datasets for **analysis reproducibility** (average LHCb analysis now has 5TB of derived data)
...But also in **industry**

Heavy focus now on offloading of training to **GPUs** and **FPGA** implementation

- Particularly seeking **FPGA expertise** for bandwidth compression - telecommunications, autonomous vehicles, and real-time analysis...

Thank you

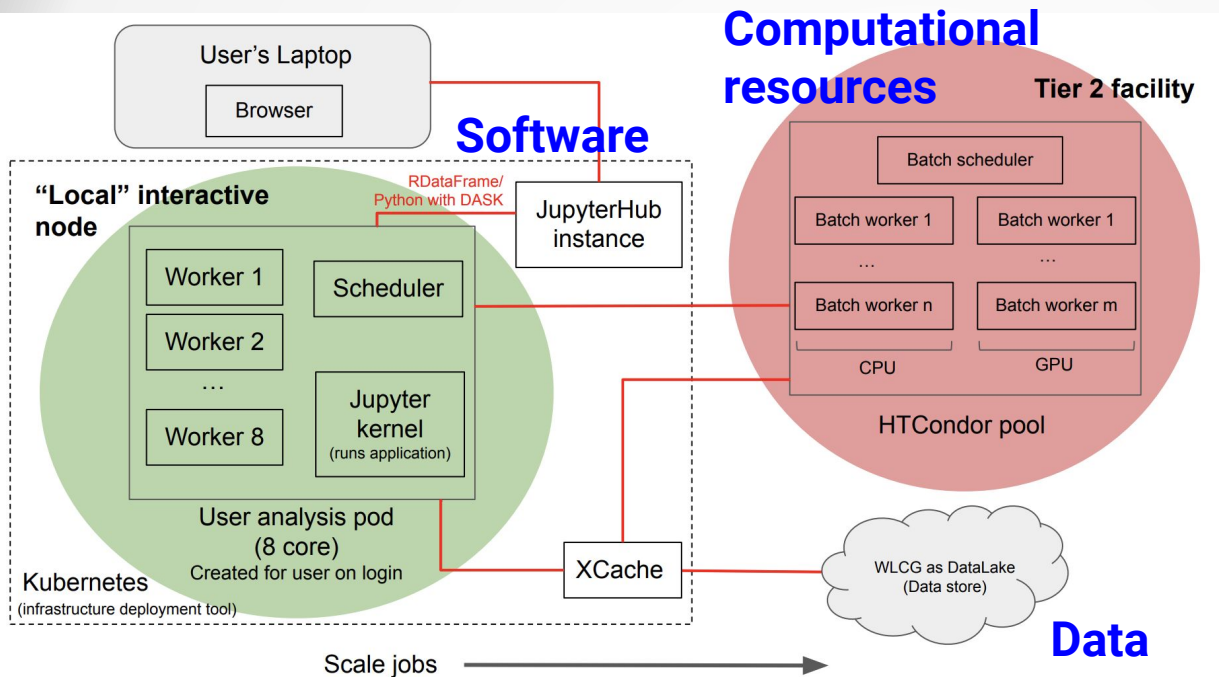


Back Up

What makes this possible?

Kubernetes - infrastructure deployment tool

Adopting industry solutions and new DOMA advances



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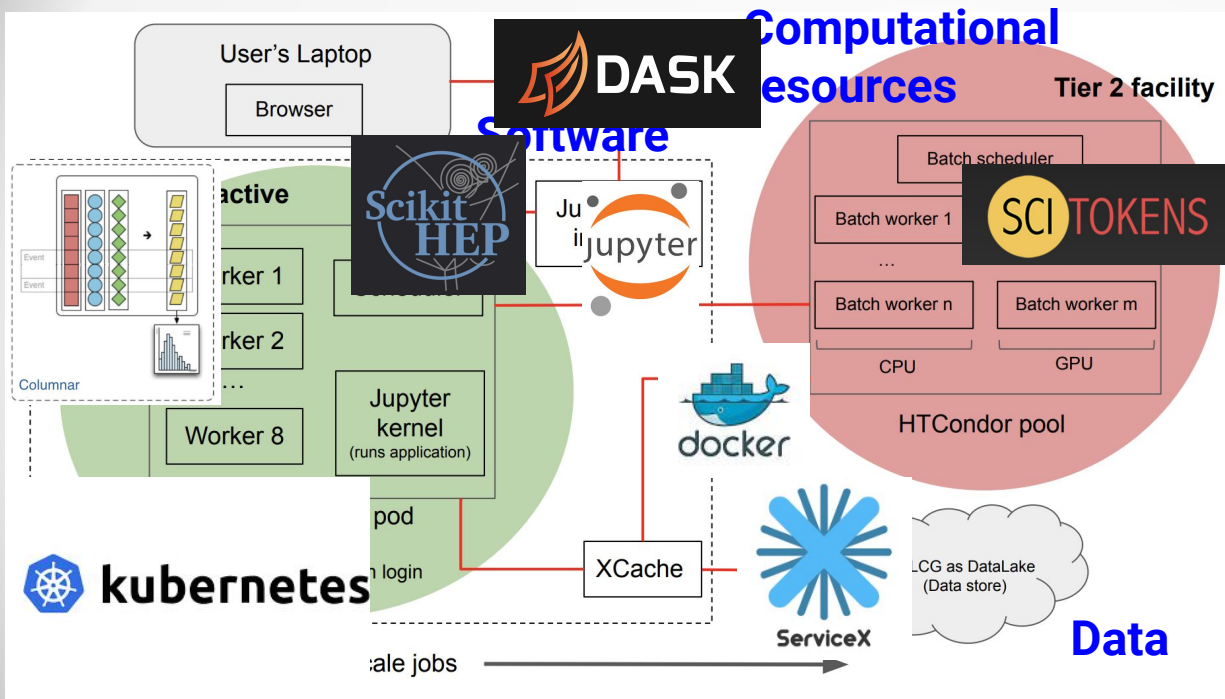
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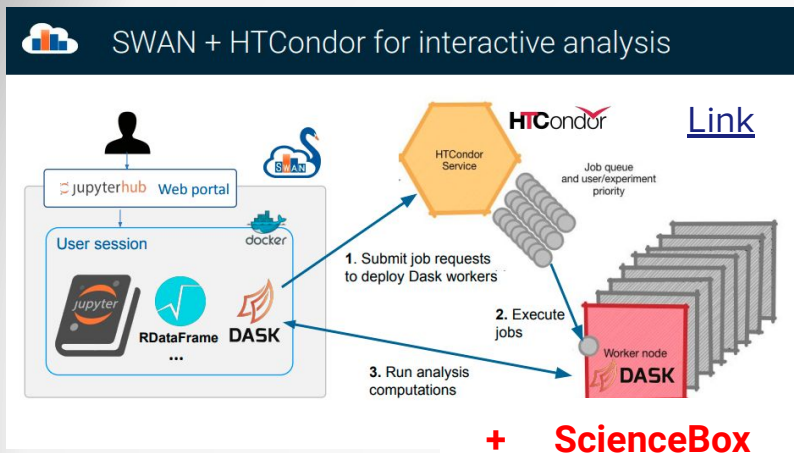
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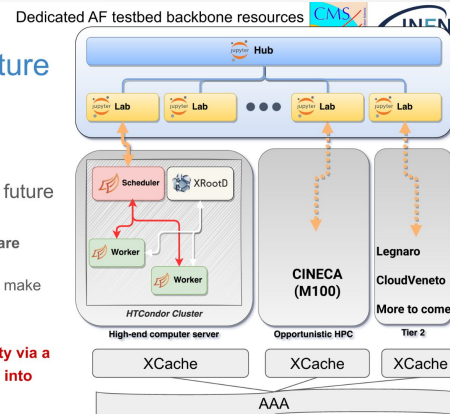


SWAN: Service for Web-based Analysis

- Interface: Jupyter notebook
 - Storage: EOS/CERNbox
 - Resources: batch “local” to CERN
 - For: LHC experiment agnostic
 - Runs: RDataFrame/Coffea with DASK
- VERY POPULAR DUE TO EOS

INFN testbed for future analyses at CMS

- a **testbed setup to provide a playground** for the design of a future analysis infrastructure
 - Leveraging state of the art software toolsets
 - Develop locally then scale out and make use of already-available/spare resources
- **Already demonstrated the functionality via a real CMS analyses workflow “ported” into RDataFrame**



INFN analysis facility

- Interface: Jupyter notebook
- Storage: Local AF area (CEPH)
- Resources: T2 sites + CINECA (HPC)
- For: CMS, expanding to other LHC experiments incl. LHCb
- Runs: RDataFrame with DASK
- Services: XCache

Yes, but...

There is nothing like this in the UK (most analysis facilities are US based)

Almost all are CMS/ATLAS targeted. In this proposal there is nothing experiment or even HEP specific (dont have to use WLCG, can use local or national Tier 2 sites)

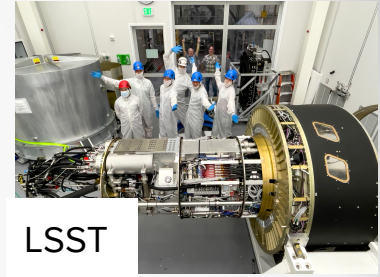
The UK has investment in many big-data HEP/Astro/Neutrino experiments as well as large Tier 2 sites with heterogeneous resources

- Sharing and optimising the efficient use of specialized infrastructure (increasingly used in end-user data analysis)
- Common solution to cross-discipline issue of current, “local” end-user data analysis methods and corresponding tools not scaling with event count

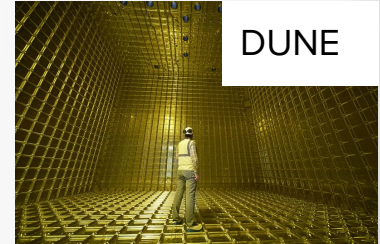
If UK institutes adopt instances of this AF they will have the most powerful, cross experiment analysis facilities



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$b \rightarrow c \bar{u} q$ anomaly - potential causes

BSM physics in SM tree-level decays?

Universal destructive interference with the SM predictions at the level of 17% is favored

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_q V_{cb} V_{uq}^* \sum_{i=1,2} C_i^q(\mu) \mathcal{Q}_i^q(\mu),$$

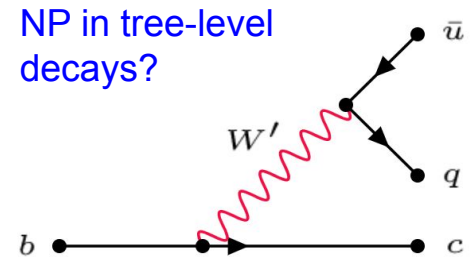
$$\frac{C_2^{\text{NP}}(m_b)}{C_2^{\text{SM}}(m_b)} = -0.17 \pm 0.03.$$

Remains
compatible with
other observables

Such a shift can be achieved by an extended electroweak gauge group

$$SU(2)_1 \times SU(2)_2 \times U(1)_Y$$

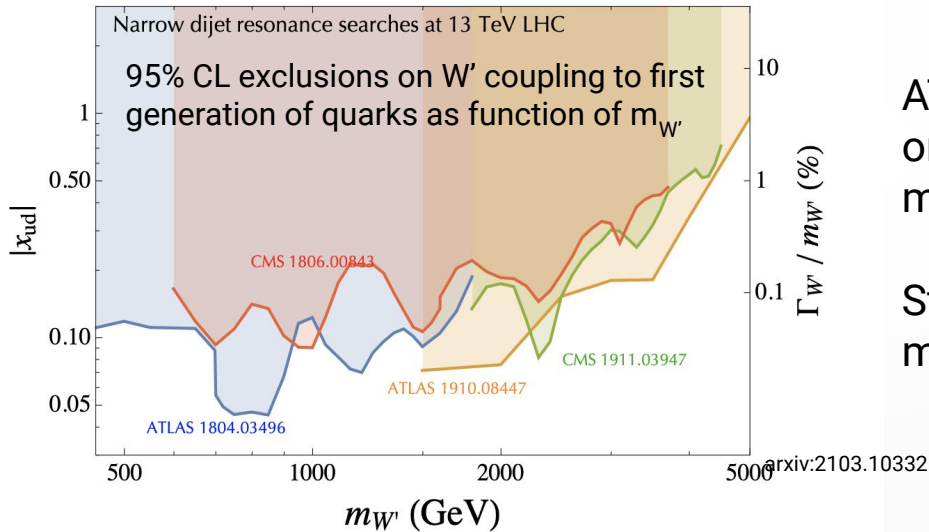
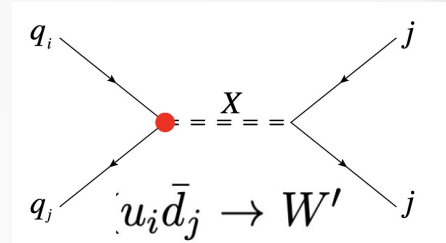
Which gives heavy gauge bosons $W^{\pm'}$ and Z'



$b \rightarrow c \bar{u} q$ anomaly - potential causes

Would we not have seen a new boson at the LHC?

Coupling of a W' to quarks implies resonant production in pp collisions followed by dijet



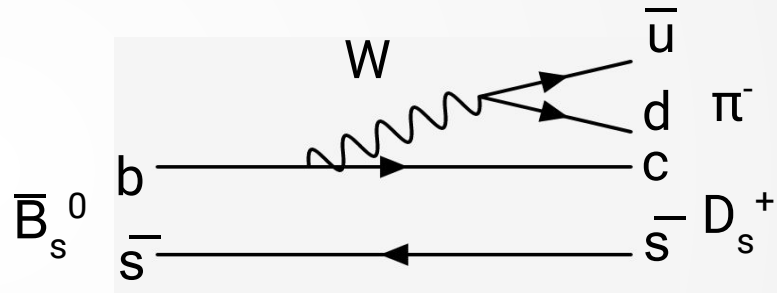
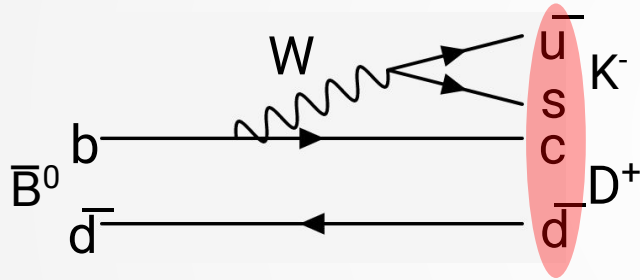
ATLAS and CMS have set robust constraints on hypothetical tree-level mediators with masses up to 5 TeV

Still allowed parameter space for a high mass W' from di-jet searches

A closer look at these key decays...

Predictions for $\bar{B}_S \rightarrow D_S^{(*)+} \pi^-$ and $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)+} K^-$ in particular are among the most reliable for non-leptonic decays

- No penguin or weak annihilation contributions
- Dominated by colour allowed trees



CP-conserving

$$\bar{B}_S \rightarrow D_S^+ \pi^- \quad \color{red}{=} \quad B_S \rightarrow D_S^- \pi^+$$

Flavour specific

$$\bar{B}_S \not\rightarrow D_S^- \pi^+ \quad B_S \not\rightarrow D_S^+ \pi^-$$

CP asymmetries as a test of the SM

Can use CP asymmetry of $\bar{B}_S \rightarrow D_S^+ \pi^-$ to probe NP effects

In the SM $A_{CP}(D_S \pi) = a_{fs}^s \rightarrow$ **CPV in mixing**

$$= a_{SL}^s = (-60 \pm 280) \times 10^{-5}$$

$A_{CP}(D_S \pi)$ in the SM only sensitive to CPV in mixing

Consistent with SM prediction
 $a_{fs}^s = (2.06 \pm 0.18) \times 10^{-5}$

With most general BSM contribution

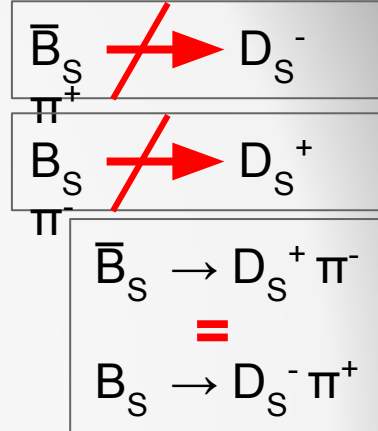
$$A_{CP}(D_S \pi) = a_{fs}^s + \underbrace{A_{dir}^s}_{\text{Direct CPV term manifestly NP}}$$

Direct CPV term manifestly NP

$A_{CP}(D_S \pi)$ may be enhanced up to a level of 10^{-2} by BSM direct CPV effects

$A_{CP}(D_S \pi)$ can probe BSM effects in tree-level hadronic decays, independent of theoretical assumptions

$A_{CP}(D_S \pi)$ has never been explicitly measured



Inputs to theory

[arxiv:2007.10338](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.10338)

measurement	value	source	reference(s)
$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- \pi^+)$	$(3.6 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.5) 10^{-3}$	Belle	[15, 21]
$\frac{f_s}{f_d} \mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- (\rightarrow \phi (\rightarrow K^+ K^-) \pi^-) \pi^+)$	$(6.7 \pm 0.5)\%$	CDF	[41]*
$\frac{f_s}{f_d} \mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- (\rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^-) \pi^+)$	0.174 ± 0.007	LHCb	[42]
$\frac{f_s}{f_d} \mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^- (\rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-) \pi^+)$	2.08 ± 0.08	LHCb	[25]†
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$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^- K^+)$	$(8.22 \pm 0.28)\%$	LHCb	[25]†
$\overline{\mathcal{B}}(B^0 \rightarrow D^- \pi^+)$	$(6.8 \pm 1.7)\%$	Belle	[43]
$f_{00} \mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^- (\rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-) \pi^+)$	$(1.21 \pm 0.05) 10^{-4}$	BaBar/CLEO	[24, 44]
$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^- (\rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-) \pi^+)$	$(2.88 \pm 0.29) 10^{-4}$	BaBar	[45]§
$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*-} \pi^+)$	0.66 ± 0.16	Belle	[46]
$\overline{\mathcal{B}}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^+)$	$(7.75 \pm 0.30)\%$	LHCb/BaBar/Belle	[43, 47, 48]
$f_{00} \mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^+)$	$(2.72 \pm 0.14) 10^{-3}$	BaBar/CLEO	[24, 49]
$\overline{\mathcal{B}}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^+)$	0.99 ± 0.14	BaBar	[45]
$\mathcal{B}(D_s^- \rightarrow \phi (\rightarrow K^+ K^-) \pi^-)$	$(2.27 \pm 0.08)\%$	PDG average	[15]
$\mathcal{B}(D_s^- \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^-)$	$(5.45 \pm 0.17)\%$	PDG average	[15]
$\mathcal{B}(D^- \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-)$	$(9.38 \pm 0.16)\%$	PDG average	[15]
$\mathcal{B}(D_s^- \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^-) (f_s/f_d)_{\text{LHCb,sl}}^{\text{TeV}}$	0.0144 ± 0.0010	LHCb	[22, 23]
$\mathcal{B}(D_s^- \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^-) (f_s/f_d)_{\text{LHCb,sl}}^{13\text{TeV}}$	0.0133 ± 0.0005	LHCb	[50]
$(f_s/f_d)_{\text{TeV}}$	0.334 ± 0.040	HFLAV average	[29]
f_{00}	0.488 ± 0.010	pheno comb. of BaBar/Belle	[40, 51, 52]

TABLE IV. Relevant experimental measurements entering our determination of branching fractions and ratios for the considered modes. A * indicates that here f_s/f_d corresponds to the value at Tevatron, see text. The measurements marked by a † from ref. [25] have a correlation coefficient of -56% . The reference marked with § uses both $D^- \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^-$ and $D^- \rightarrow K_S \pi^-$ decays, however, the former is dominating.

Measurements at LHCb -prospects

Improving experimental precision on branching fractions is key to further understand anomaly

Measure relative branching fractions

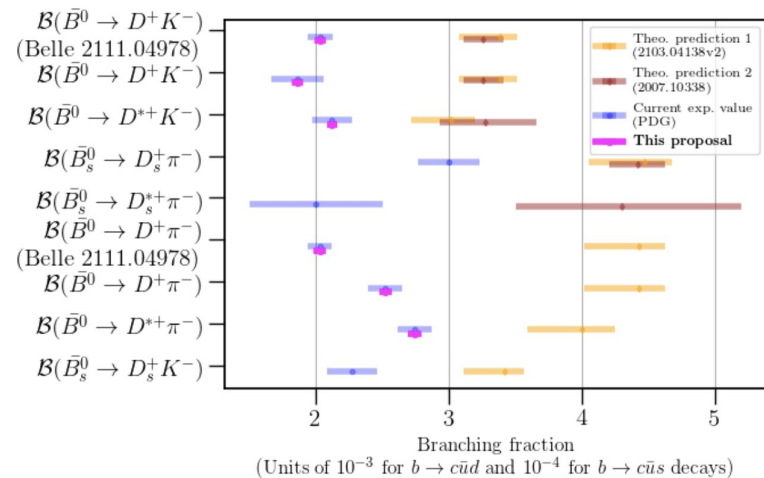
$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-) = \mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^+ \pi^-) \cdot \frac{N_{B^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-}}{N_{B^0 \rightarrow D^+ \pi^-}} \cdot \frac{\epsilon_{B^0 \rightarrow D^+ \pi^-}}{\epsilon_{B^0 \rightarrow D^+ K^-}}$$

In Runs 1 and 2 normalisation channels limited to those of other hadronic modes such that L0 trigger efficiency cancelled

- Normalisation channel was limiting systematic

Exploit Run 3 ability to precisely determine hadronic trigger efficiencies

- Use $B^+ \rightarrow J/\Psi K^+$ as normalisation channel ($f_u/f_d \sim 1$) - branching fraction is far more precisely known (1.9%)
- Measure branching fractions to unprecedented precision - enhancing global experimental sensitivities by factor 4



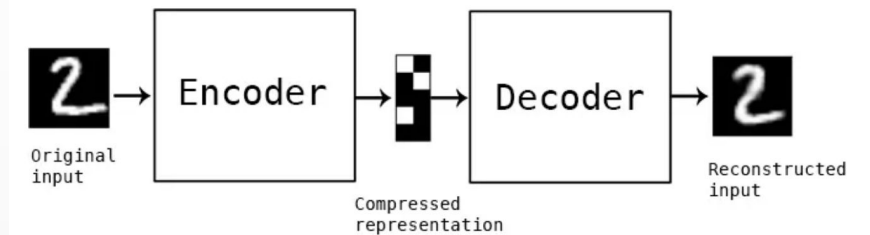
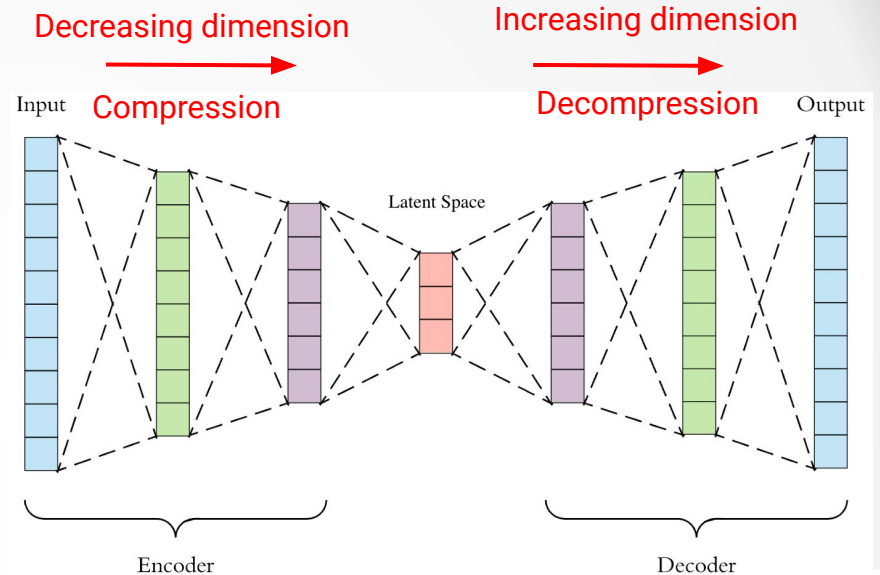
Autoencoders

An autoencoder is an unsupervised artificial neural network that learns how to efficiently compress and encode data.

Steps

- 1- Encoder: Model learns how to reduce the input dimensions and compress the input data into an encoded representation.
- 2- Bottleneck/latent space: layer that contains the compressed representation of the input data
- 3- Decoder: Model learns how to reconstruct the data from the encoded representation
- 4- Reconstruction Loss: measure how close the output is to the original input

Used in **noise reduction and anomaly finding**



Student teaching/engagement and support

I have a strong record of lecturing/tutoring/demonstrating for my position

Volunteered to give "Physics at the LHC" courses - including weekly journal club

- Would be happy to implement such a course at Warwick

Significant, longstanding support for ECRs on LHCb



Stripping in Run 1+2

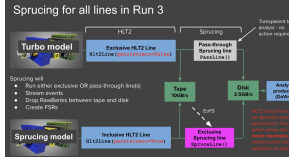
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Offline data processing Run 1-3

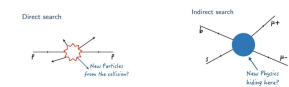
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Sprucing for all lines in Run 3



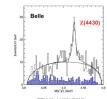
Direct vs. Indirect searches



- Use full energy of collision for production of new particle
- Direct observation of new particle in eg. invariant mass distribution of decay products
- ATLAS/CMS used this method to find the Higgs
- NP can enhance rate of SM suppressed/ forbidden decays or change angular distributions
- Search for discrepancies between SM prediction and precise measurement of observables
- Access higher mass scales through virtual contributions to decays

One-dimensional invariant mass fits

Exotic resonances can be seen as enhancements in mass distributions or Dalitz plots



Breit Wigner PDF models decay of an isolated resonance at amplitude level in complex plane derived from the propagator of an unstable particle

Characteristic nature:

- Anticlockwise circular trajectory
- Phase change of $\pi/2$ across m_0

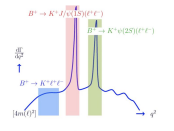
$Z^+(4430)$ charged, hidden-charmonium tetraquark ($c\bar{c}u\bar{d}$) in $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+ K^-$ decays

- Pros: Easy measurement of mass/width of states: BW model
- Cons: Only works for narrow, well separated states

$R(K)$

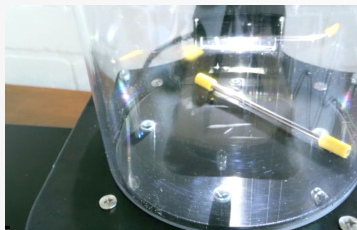
$R(K)$ performed in specific region of dilepton invariant mass, q^2

- Charmonium resonances dominate decays of $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^- F^+ F^-$ final state, $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ X_{c0}(\rightarrow F^+ F^-)$. These decays are not suppressed - tree level



$R(K)$ performed in $1.1 < q^2 < 6$ GeV² range

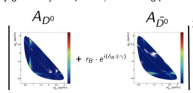
Recent and upcoming outreach at British Science Week and BlueDot



3-body example - $B \rightarrow D^0 K, D^0 \rightarrow f$

Exploit the interference pattern on the 2D final state phase-space - Dalitz plot - to obtain the overall phase difference between the two decay paths

Use the CP-conjugate decay to separate γ from strong phase differences

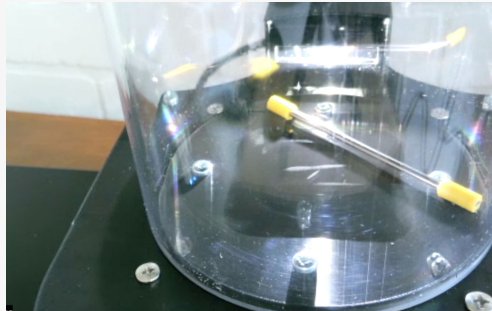
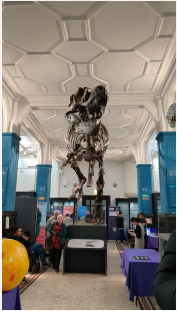


Two ways to proceed:

- Model dependent - establish a model for A_D and fit for r_B, δ and γ
- Model independent - bin the Dalitz plot and use event occupancy to determine r_B, δ and γ

$x_{\pm} = r_B \cos(\delta_B \pm \gamma), y_{\pm} = r_B \sin(\delta_B \pm \gamma)$

Student teaching/engagement and support



Cloud chamber exhibit at Manchester Museum for British Science week - attended by 700 secondary school students



History of particle detectors exhibit at Bluedot 2023

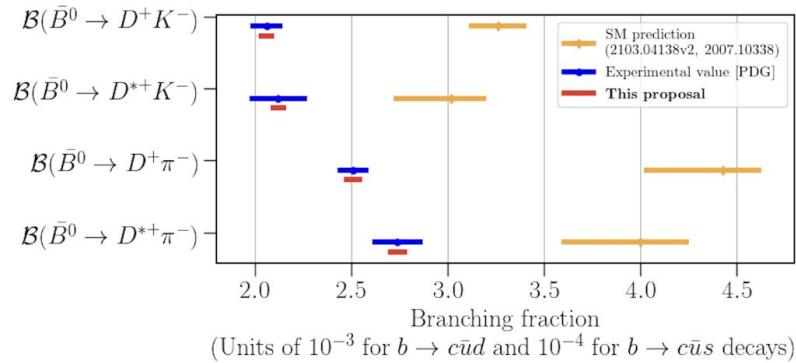


LHCb virtual visit guide



- “Brew Monday” Samaritans event
- Due to popularity will make a regular feature in the Natural Sciences calendar particularly in exam periods
 - Would be extremely proud to implement at Warwick

Solving big and small problems



- Combinations from ~ 6 experiments with different collision environments - conservative assumptions made on fragmentation fractions
- Poorly known normalisation channel BF - limiting systematic
- Normalisation channel suffers from anomaly

Upgrade LHCb trigger strategy allows use of “cleaner” leptonic normalisation channels

For the first time measure decays at same experiment with consistent methodology enhancing sensitivity up to **factor 4**

Sensitivity to π^0 in Upgrade 2 will allow measurements of vector bachelor modes that also suffer from anomaly

