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Model fitting in Python with zfit and Scikit-HEP

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The Python HEP analysis ecosystem and its user base grew significantly in the last few years, and with it the need for advanced statistical inference tools involving likelihood fits; a core part of most analyses in HEP.

zfit started over five years ago with the goal to provide this capability, a library for model fitting in HEP: scalable - in terms of model building complexity and performance - and pythonic - well-integrated into the Python ecosystem.

After many iterations with users and a long development process, zfit reaches a maturity stage.

In this talk, we will go over the extensive feature set of zfit: from binned and unbinned fits, extensive model building and the ability to create custom models up to advanced likelihood building, weighted fits and a variety of available minimizers. Thanks to its modern numpy-like backend, TensorFlow, with just-in-time compilation and the ability to run on CPUs and GPU, zfit is highly performant. zfit is also well-embedded into the Scikit-HEP ecosystem and beyond: it seamlessly integrates for data loading, plotting and more statistical tools, and allows libraries that build sophisticade models, such as ComPWA and more, to use zfit for statistical inference.

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