

Data Science @ LHC 2015

Bridging High-Energy Physics and Machine Learning communities

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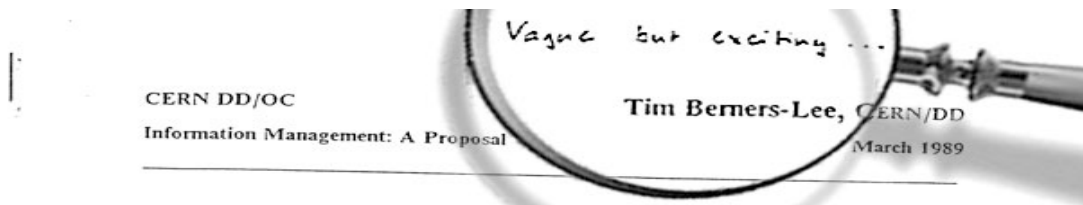
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Context



- We (High Energy Physics) have been doing Big Data/Data Science for decades without knowing it
- then...



Information Management: A Proposal

- ...then Google, Amazon, Facebook, Yandex... → big data, big money → big incentive to develop new algorithms
- → we need to catch up!

Foreword



- ❑ <http://cern.ch/DataScienceLHC2015>, transparencies and video (and twitter #DSLHC15)
- ❑ Different types of talks
 - HEP talk geared at informing ML people
 - ML talk by ML people
 - ML talk by HEP people
 - Sometimes “answer” from the other community
 - Tutorials
 - Entertaining talks (with no practical direct application to HEP)
- ❑ Overall quite dense : this summary by Dirk and I is more an invitation to further reading

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Tutorials



Afternoon was tutorials. Some really hands-on (not enough IMHO)

- ❑ Monday : TMVA (including new iPython interface)
- ❑ Tuesday : ME (Madweight, MemTK)
- ❑ Wednesday : deep learning
- ❑ Thursday : Scikit-learn (including interface to TMVA through R)
- ❑ Friday : Caffee (Convolutional Neural Net on GPU)

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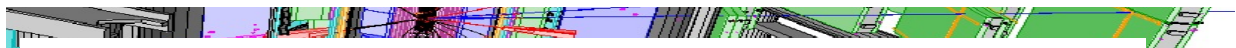
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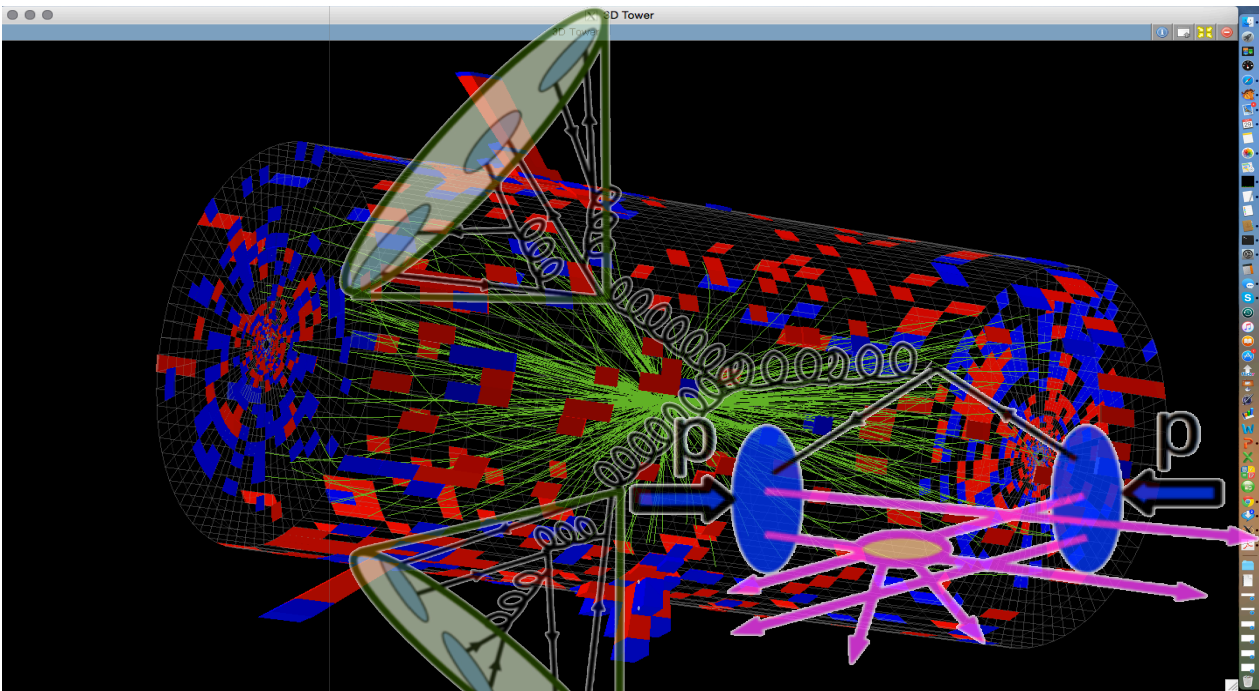
- Data and Science in HEP: Vincenzo Innocente
 - #HEP2ML Excellent introduction talk for non HEP people
- Data Science in industry : Ellie Dobson
 - Ellie was CERN fellow in ATLAS. Data Science as a job opportunity for HEP PhD. #entertaining
- ML at ATLAS&CMS : setting the stage : Mauro Donega, Preparing for the future: opportunities for ML in ATLAS & CMS : Tobias Golling
 - #HEP2ML and #MLbyHEP Two talks setting the stages
- Deep Learning RNNaissance : Juergen Schmidhuber
 - #entertaining Historical perspective
- Feature extraction : Sergei Geyzer
 - #MLbyHEP How to select the relevant variables(==features)

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Data and Science in HEP: V. Innocente



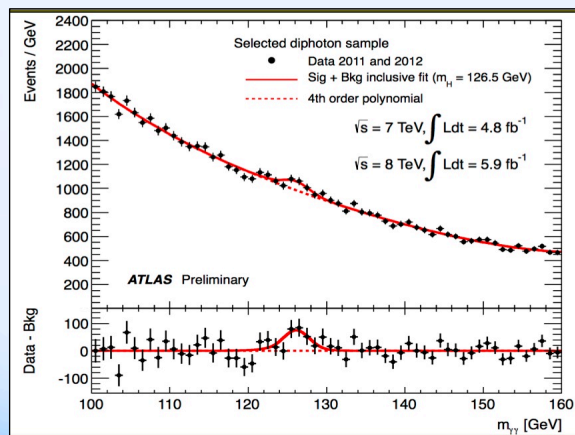
- Excellent introduction to HEP (non distributed) data processing for Machine Learning people



Data Science in industry : E. Dobson

- Experience of an ex Cern fellow on Atlas in Data Science industry. Data Science now a good opportunity for HEP PhD leaving academics.

Theory-driven approach



'start with the system and work towards the data'

Data-driven approach

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The Knot
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'start with the data and work towards the system'

ATLAS&CMS : setting the stage : M. Donega

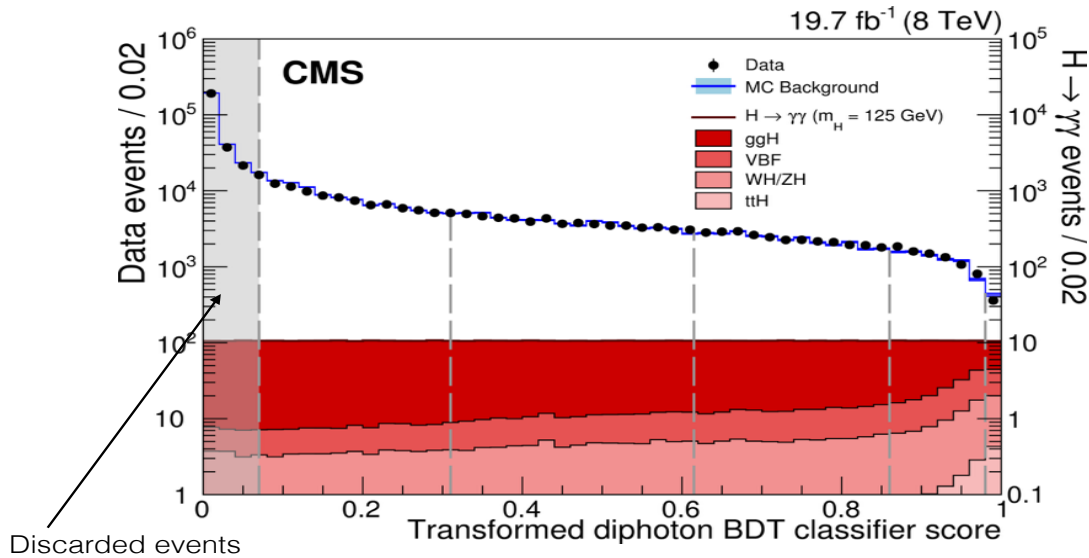
- What we've used ML so far in ATLAS/CMS:
 - Pattern recognition: clustering pixels
 - Tracks classification: duplicate removal, quality selection,...
 - Energy / momentum regressions: photons, electrons, (b-)jets,...
 - Objects identification: select electron, b/c-jet,... form (typically jets) background
 - Entire event classification: separate signal from background(s) events
 - Fisher discriminant, Likelihoods, Neural Networks, BDT, 1D/2D fit MVA outputs
 - Data placement: predict which samples will become hot
 - The vast majority of these application moved from "cut-based" solutions to supervised learning techniques (unsupervised learning at present not used)

Donega (2)



BDT output

Number of classes (5) and boundaries chosen to optimize the S/B.
(discard events in the lowest score bin)



Transformed such that the sum of the signal components is flat

Donega (3)



Systematic uncertainties on inputs

Systematics uncertainties typically lead to non-optimal classification/regression.

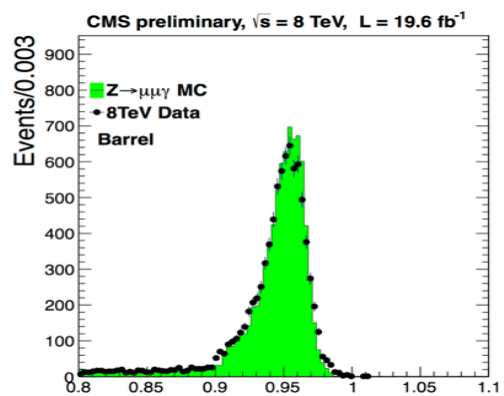
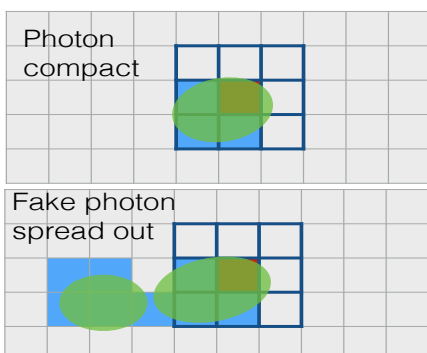
We know how to set a systematic on the input variables but don't have a standard recipe to assign systematics to BDT outputs.

Example: photon identification

BDT classifier to separate photons from fake photons i.e. jets ($\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$)

$\alpha(12)$ input variables, some of which are correlated, mostly describing the shape of the calorimeter cluster

Use physics driven features not full information



Preparing for the future: opportunities for ML in ATLAS & CMS : T. Golling

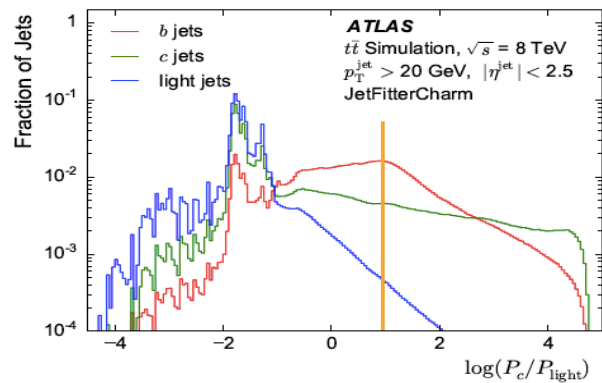
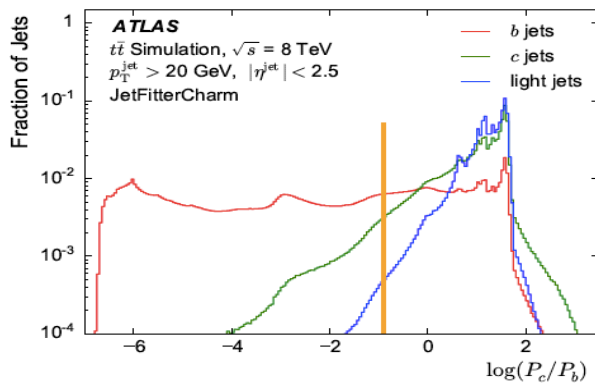
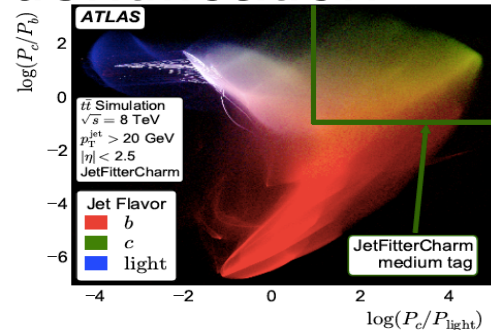
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Example: charm-jet Identification

- Define 2 discriminants based on 3 NN outputs:

$$\text{anti-}b \equiv \frac{P_c}{P_b}$$

$$\text{anti-light} \equiv \frac{P_c}{P_{\text{light}}}$$

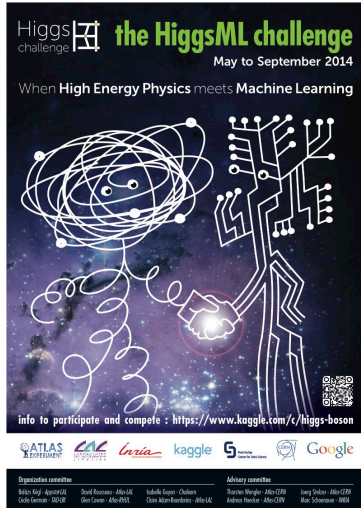


Golling (2)

Loose ends: HEP Particularities

- Mismodeling: data vs. simulation
 - Systematic uncertainties based on mismodeling uncertainty
 - The better the classification the larger the deviation (showstopper, e.g. photon ID)
 - (Limited) possibility to validate and calibrate MC to data
- In MC we use data with a large variation in relative weights / neg weights – problems for training
- Variable-length / non-continuous input feature phase space
- We usually have a model based on our physics knowledge – this leads to two extreme approaches:
 - Matrix Element Method (MEM): rely on “calculable” part of model
 - ML: let machine learn (still model dependence)
 - MEM pros & cons:
 - Pros: no need to train, no need for large statistics, make us of maximum available information
 - Cons: slow for complex final states, many approximations/simplifications of the model needed
- Can we combine ML and physics input in a smart way?**
- Features may vary significantly e.g. with p_T or eta (analogy: facial expressions in face recognition)

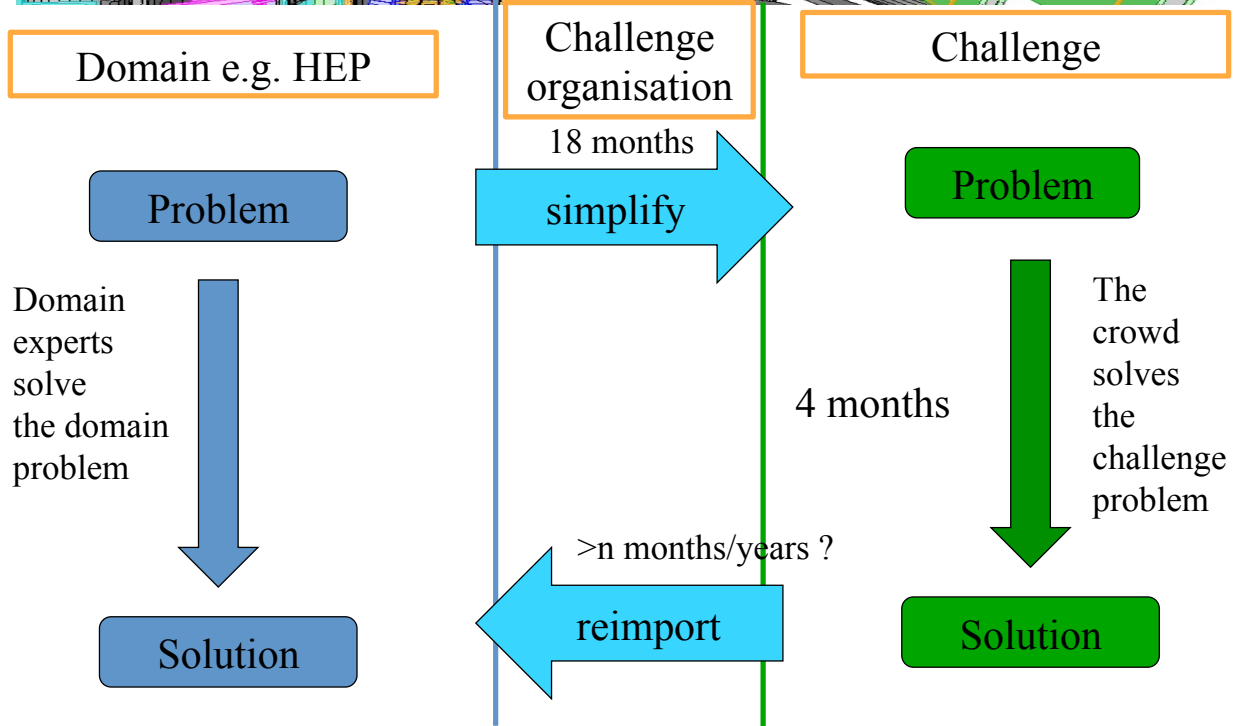
Higgs ML challenge 2014



- ❑ (started DR meeting Balazs Kegl data scientist at LAL-Orsay cafeteria summer 2012)
- ❑ Why not put some ATLAS simulated data on the web and ask data scientists to find the best machine learning algorithm (=MVA) to find the Higgs ?
 - Instead of HEP people browsing machine learning papers, coding or downloading possibly interesting algorithm, trying and seeing whether it can work for our problems
- ❑ Challenge for us : make a full ATLAS Higgs analysis simple for non physicists, but not too simple so that it remains useful
- ❑ Also try to foster long term collaborations between HEP and ML
- ❑ <http://jmlr.org/proceedings/papers/v42/>

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From domain to challenge and back

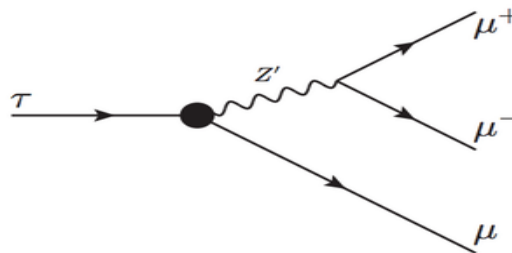


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LHCb : Flavour of physics challenge



- ❑ Wrt HiggsML similar optimisation of significance of a rare signal
- ❑ New ingredient : handle data/MC mismodeling



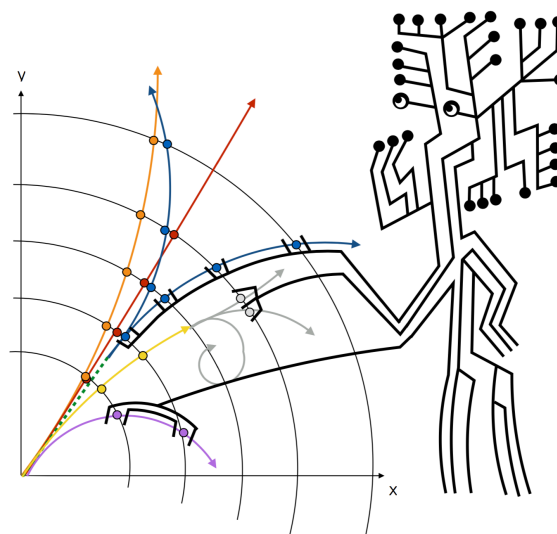
- ❑ Turned out to be even more tricky than anticipated

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Tracking challenge ?



- ❑ Fast and efficient tracking more and more essential as LHC luminosity increases → tracking challenge?
- ❑ Trickier to organise than HiggsML or the like:
 - less “on-the-shelf” algorithms than for classification
 - Figure of merit combination of efficiency/fake rate/CPU time
 - CPU time to be measured in a well defined way
- ❑ Goal is to go online in summer 2016

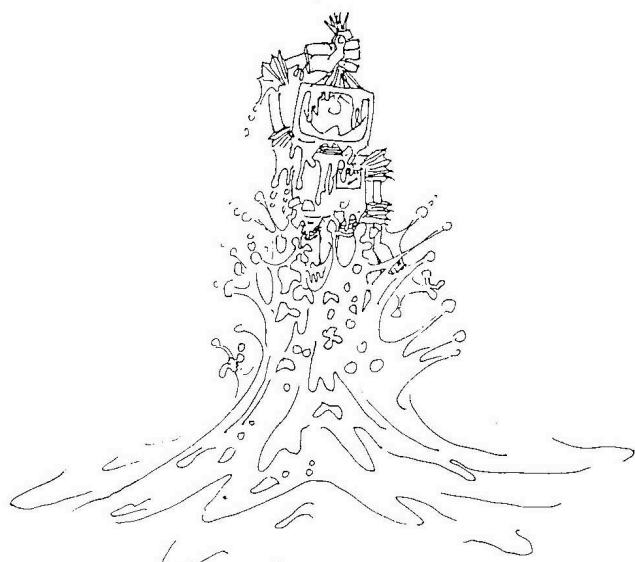


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Deep Learning RNNaissance : Juergen Schmidhuber



Historical perspective




My diploma thesis (1987):
first concrete design of
recursively self-improving AI

Learn & improve learning
algorithm itself, and also the
meta-learning algorithm, etc...

J. Schmidhuber, 1987


Schmidhuber (2)




Robot Cars

<http://www.idsia.ch/~juergen/robotcars.html>

1995: Munich to
Denmark and
back on public
Autobahns, up to
180 km/h, no
GPS, passing
other cars



Ernst
Dickmanns,
*the robot
car pioneer,*
Munich, 80s



2014: 20 year anniversary of
self-driving cars in highway traffic

Feature extraction : S. Gleyzer



- While performing data analysis one of the most **crucial decisions** is which features to use
 - Garbage In = Garbage Out
 - Ingredients:
 - **Relevance** to the problem
 - **Level of understanding** of the feature
 - **Power of the feature** and its relationship with others

□ How to:

Select

Assess

Improve

Feature set

used to solve the problem

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Gleyzer (2)



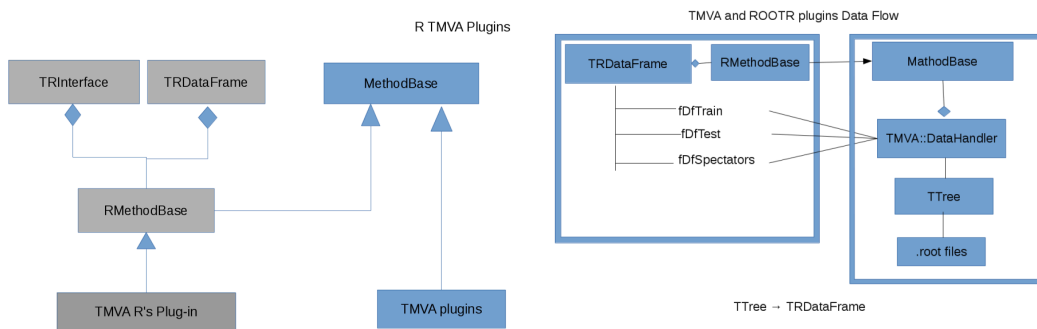
- ...reviewed various tools
- Often in HEP one searches for new phenomena and applies classifiers trained on MC for at least one of the classes (signal) or sometimes both to real data
 - Flexibility is KEY to any search
 - It is more beneficial to choose a reduced parameter space that consistently produces strong performing classifiers at actual analysis time
- Feature selection tool
 - R (CRAN): Boruta, RFE, CFS, Fselector, caret
 - TMVA: FAST algo (stochastic wrapper), Global Loss function
 - Scikit-Learn
 - Bioconductor

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TMVA tutorial



- ❑ TMVA is the workhorse ML used in HEP
- ❑ As been somewhat left behind
- ❑ Rejuvenated effort since last summer, for example, interface to R (hence to outside ML world)
- ❑ iPython interface



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Tuesday



- ❑ Matrix Element technique plus experience tth : Lorenzo Bianchini
 - #HEP2ML ME is not Machine Learning. Why ME in this workshop ? Why don't we through all 4-vector to a BDT/NN and let it figure out the physics ? Won't work. However possibility for a mixed approach: use ME output as a feature
- ❑ Approximate Bayesian Computation : Richard Wilkinson
 - #ML2HEP ABC widely used outside HEP, little in HEP, probably because we have quite good simulation suite (generators+geant4). Still possible niches, see Josh Bendavid answer
- ❑ Approximate likelihood : Kyle Cranmer
 - #MLbyHEP
- ❑ Stochastic optimization : beyond mathematical programming : Marc Schoenauer
 - #ML2HEP Review of optimisation method for chaotic landscape, of high dimensionality (where Minuit fails)
- ❑ Software R&D for Next Generation of HEP Experiments, Inspired by Theano : Amir Farbin
 - #MLbyHEP Theano : python based symbolic representation and operations, optimized calculation on CPU's and GPU's. Tried out for MEM calculation. New non LHC HEP experiment (e.g. Dune) : tried out DNN reco
- ❑ Better cities through imaging : Gregory Dobler
 - #entertaining : "One picture every 10s of Manhattan skyline for two years". "Video of a busy road crossing". What can you do with this ? A lot!

Matrix Element technique plus experience ttH : L. Bianchini

- ME : compute event probability from first principle (zero "learning"!, but very human/computer time intensive)

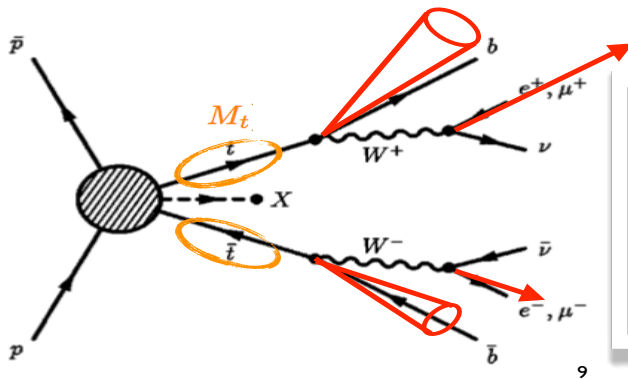
Canonical example: top mass

\mathbf{Y} = 4-vectors of jets and leptons

M_t = top quark mass

\mathbf{X} = 4-vectors of the 2 → 6 scattering (ancillary variables)

$W(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X})$ = detector response



Matrix Element Method (MEM)

$$dP_{\mathbf{X}}(M_t) \propto f_p(x_1) f_{\bar{p}}(x_2) |\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}; M_t)|^2 d\mathbf{X}$$

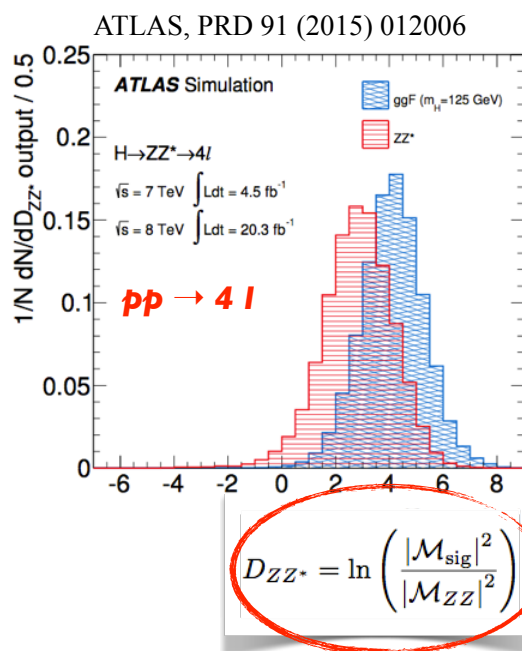
$$dP_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}} = W(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}) d\mathbf{Y}$$

$$dP_{\mathbf{X},\mathbf{Y}} \propto dP_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}} \times dP_{\mathbf{X}}(M_t)$$

$$dP_{\mathbf{Y}}(M_t) = \left[\int dP_{\mathbf{X}}(M_t) \times W(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}) \right] d\mathbf{Y}$$

Tuesday, November 10, 15

Bianchini (2)



Bianchini (3)

Summary & outlook

A field where ML can have some complementarity

- ▶ higher-order predictions difficult to integrate into the MEM
 - LO vs NLO, parton shower, transfer function
- ▶ ML can help where MEM falls short
 - several examples already exist
- ▶ squeezing every bit of information out of LHC data is our mandate!



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Approximate Bayesian Computation : R. Wilkinson

- Introductory course on ABC
- We have a theory/model with parameters θ , we perform experiments yielding data D

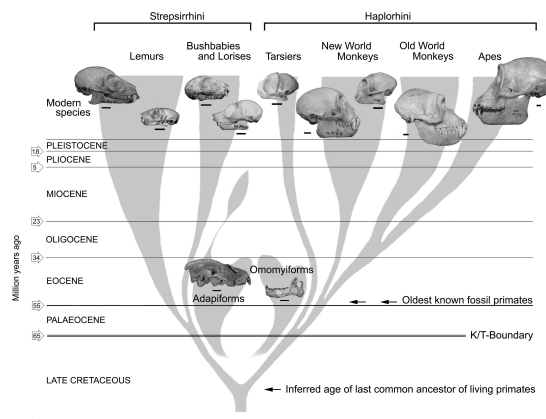
- The inverse-problem: observe data D , estimate parameter values θ which explain the data.

The Bayesian approach is to find the posterior distribution

$$\pi(\theta|D) \propto \pi(\theta)\pi(D|\theta)$$

posterior \propto

prior \times likelihood



How to evaluate $\pi(\theta|D)$?

Wilkinson (2)

Rejection Algorithm

- Draw θ from prior $\pi(\cdot)$
- Accept θ with probability $\pi(D | \theta)$

Accepted θ are independent draws from the posterior distribution, $\pi(\theta | D)$.

If the likelihood, $\pi(D|\theta)$, is unknown:

'Mechanical' Rejection Algorithm

- Draw θ from $\pi(\cdot)$
- Simulate $X \sim f(\theta)$ from the computer model
- Accept θ if $D = X$, i.e., if computer output equals observation

there is an approximate version:

Uniform Rejection Algorithm

- Draw θ from $\pi(\theta)$
- Simulate $X \sim f(\theta)$
- Accept θ if $\rho(D, X) \leq \epsilon$

David Rousseau, DS@LHC201 ...many more flavours and tricks

Wilkinson

...actually best summarized by J. Bendavid

Some Important Points to Keep In Mind

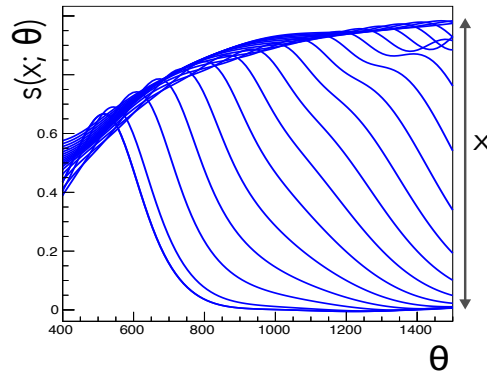
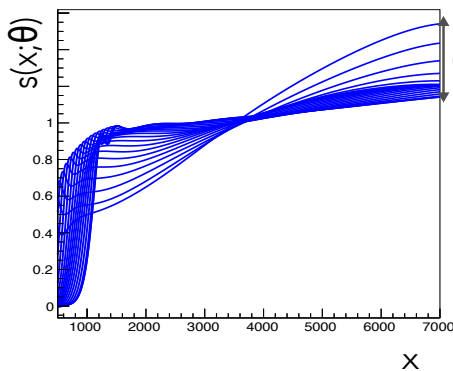
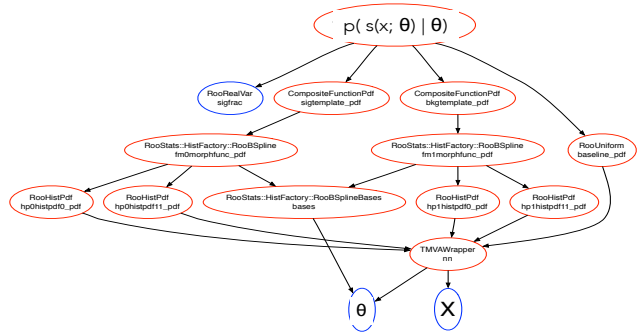
- Tempting to map "computer model" $f(\theta)$ from Richard's talk to ATLAS/CMS full generation + simulation + reconstruction chain
- Worst case scenario: Evaluating metric distance for each set of parameter values requires generating $O(10^6)$ full-sim MC events (tens of thousands of CPU hours)
- A few possible ways this kind of technique can still be useful:
 - Unfold data to generator level (or similarly produce generator \rightarrow reconstructed level response matrices which can be applied quickly to generator level MC) \rightarrow
 - Extract reduced set of parameters from data using one or a few full Monte Carlo samples, then perform ABC-type method with a much simpler model (e.g. Bayesian integration over Higgs couplings in Higgs combination)
 - Realize model parameter variations as **reweighting** of one or a few full Monte Carlo samples

Approximate likelihood with parameterised classifier : K. Cranmer

EMBEDDING THE CLASSIFIER IN THE LIKELIHOOD

Postpone evaluation of the classifier to the time when the likelihood is evaluated and a specific value of the parameter θ is being tested

$$T(D; \theta_0, \theta_1) = \prod_e \frac{p(x_e | \theta_0)}{p(x_e | \theta_1)} = \prod_e \frac{p(s(x_e; \theta_0, \theta_1) | \theta_0)}{p(s(x_e; \theta_0, \theta_1) | \theta_1)}$$

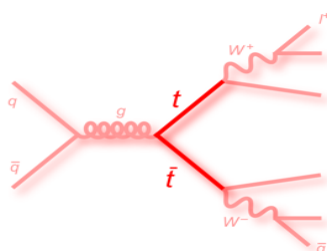


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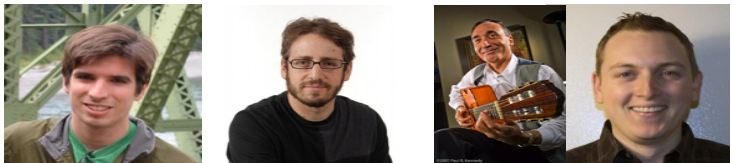
Cranmer (2)

PARAMETRIZED CLASSIFIERS WITH DNN

Example: $Z' \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

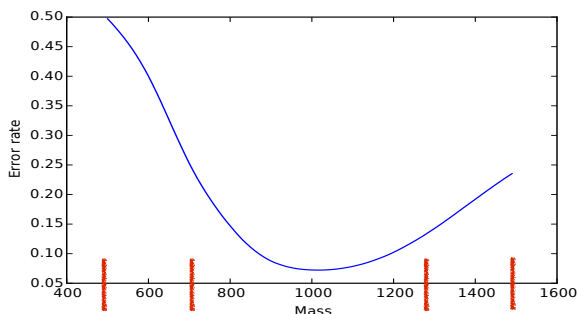


together with:



Peter Sadowski , Daniel Whiteson, Pierre Baldi, Taylor Faucett

The networks were trained on 28 features: 22 low-level, 5 high-level, and the mass



Train at $m_{Z'} = 500, 750, 1250, 1500$ GeV

Almost identical performance to dedicated training at $m_{Z'} = 1000$ GeV

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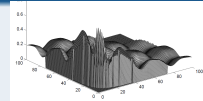
Stochastic optimization: M. Schoenauer

- Thorough review of different algorithms

Stochastic Optimization

Hypotheses

- Search Space Ω with some topological structure
- Objective function \mathcal{F} assume some weak regularity



Stochastic (Local) Search

- Randomly draw $x_0 \in \Omega$ and compute $\mathcal{F}(x_0)$ Initialisation
- Until(happy)
 - $y = \text{Random neighbor}(x_t)$ neighbor structure on Ω
 - Compute $\mathcal{F}(y)$
 - If $\mathcal{F}(y) \succ \mathcal{F}(x_t)$ then $x_{t+1} = y$ accept if improvement
else $x_{t+1} = x_t$

Comments

- Find one *close* local optimum defined by neighborhood structure
- Iterate, leaving current optimum Iterated Local Search

Info

Schoenauer : summarised by A. David



Stochastic methods



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- Guaranteed to converge to best answer...
 - ...in infinite time.
- Quickly get a “good enough” answer.
 - Useful in time-constrained systems (L1 or HLT?).
- Robust minimum vs. absolute best.
 - Useful in optimization of analyses with many systematic uncertainties.
- ATLAS+CMS Higgs 4000 parameter likelihood.
 - Is there something as accurate as MINUIT but faster?

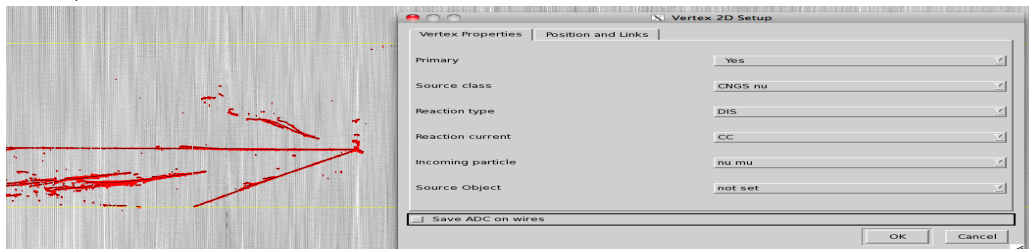
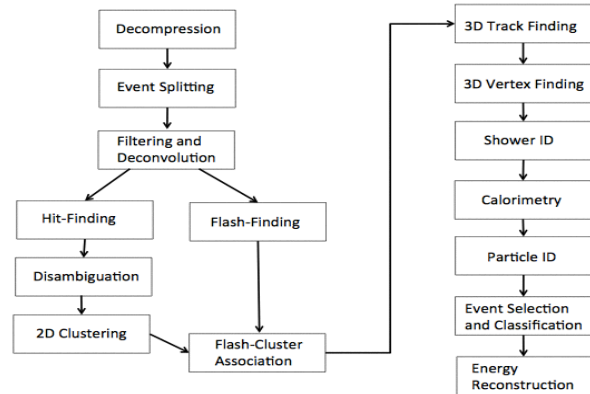
□ DR: pattern recognition ? data placement ?

Software R&D for Next Generation of HEP Experiments, Inspired by Theano : Amir Farbin



LArTPC Reconstruction

- Neutrino Physics has a long history of *hand scans*.
 - QScan: ICARUS user assisted reconstruction.
- Full automatic reconstruction has yet to be demonstrated.
- LArSoft project: art framework + LArTPC reconstruction algorithm, started in ArgoNeUT and contributed to/used by many experiments.
- Ideally suited for DNN-based reconstruction
- Just need to know what type of event (classification) and the energy of the neutrino (regression).

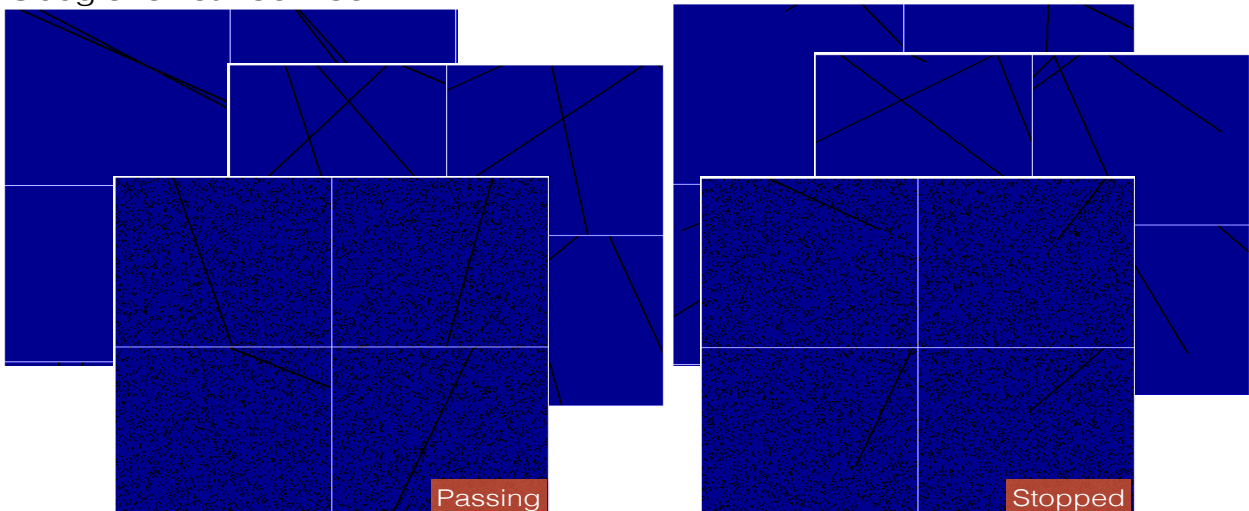


Farbin (2)



DNN Classification of “Raw” LArTPC Data

GoogleLeNet 256x256



1-4 Tracks With or without noise, DNN correctly classifies ~90-99%

Farbin (3)



□ Theano : optimised symbolic computation in python

Theano

- Might be trivial to implement some algorithms with Theano.
- Anything you can write as a formula can be easily expressed in Theano and automatically optimized.
- Many things are already implemented.
- For example, Kalman Filter (from: <http://matthewrocklin.com/blog/work/2013/04/05/SymPy-Theano-part-3/>)

```
from sympy import MatrixSymbol, latex
n = 1000 # Number of variables in our system/current state
k = 500 # Number of variables in the observation
mu = MatrixSymbol('mu', n, 1) # Mean of current state
Sigma = MatrixSymbol('Sigma', n, n) # Covariance of current state
H = MatrixSymbol('H', k, n) # A measurement operator on current state
R = MatrixSymbol('R', k, k) # Covariance of measurement noise
data = MatrixSymbol('data', k, 1) # Observed measurement data

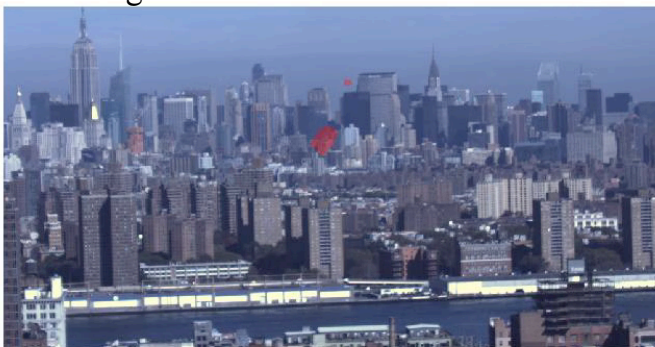
newmu = mu + Sigma*H.T * (R + H*Sigma*H.T).I * (H*mu - data) # Updated mean
newSigma= Sigma - Sigma*H.T * (R + H*Sigma*H.T).I * H * Sigma # Updated covariance
inputs = [mu, Sigma, H, R, data]
outputs = [newmu, newSigma]
dtypes = {inp: 'float64' for inp in inputs}

from sympy.printing.theanocode import theano_function
f = theano_function(inputs, outputs, dtypes=dtypes)
import numpy
ninputs = [numpy.random.rand(*i.shape).astype('float64') for i in inputs]
nmu, nSigma = f(*ninputs)
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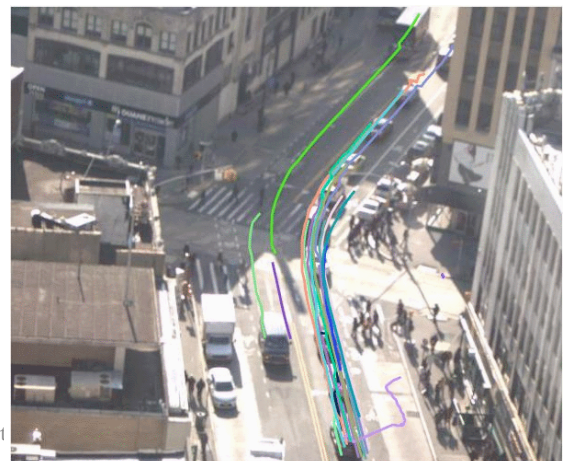
Better cities through imaging : Dobler



Symposium



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Friday: open data round table



- ❑ Open data / replicability is a hot topic in science at large
- ❑ Different LHC experiments have different approaches:
 - Release a fraction of reconstructed data, possibly with Monte Carlo
 - Release a software
 - Release of analysis ntuple
- ❑ Not clear what will happen in practice (I mean, beyond PR)
- ❑ Key question IMHO: how to collaborate on new analysis techniques with people outside ATLAS (data scientists) and even in other LHC collaborations ?
 - Open datasets proposed should be enough to try new ideas. But what about discussions/topical publications
 - Time frame for data scientist is ½ year (next ICML, next NIPS...)
 - Time frame for ATLAS/CMS publication more like two years
 - But should not be an issue for non-analysis stuff, like Data Placement or tracking