Jet substructure and H/V/top-tagging

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Jet substructure as a tool

Grooming and tagging algorithms

EW-scale particles get a boost

- Standard analysis: the heavy particle X decays into two partons, reconstructed as two jets.
- Search strategy: look for bumps in the dijet invariant mass distribution.
- What about EW-scale particles at the LHC?



(Figure by L. Gouskos)

- $E_{\rm c.o.m.} \gg m_{\rm EW}$, hence they are abundantly produced with a large boost.
- Their decay-products are then collimated and, if they decay into hadrons, we end up with localised deposition of energy in the hadronic calorimeter: a jet.



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exploit jets' properties to distinguish signal jets from bkgd jets

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$p_t > 2m/R$

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The jet invariant mass

- Signal jets have an intrinsic energy scale: the mass of the decaying object $(m_{\rm jet} \sim m_{\rm EW})$.
- Background (QCD) jets acquire their mass through parton branching $(m_{\rm jet} \propto p_T)$
- Cut on the jet mass to separate signal and background!
- This simple observation still remains at the core of every substructure analysis, however it is not enough.



 Non-perturbative contributions (hadronisation, underlying event and pile-up) pollute and deform our jets.

Grooming & Tagging

- We need to go beyond the mass and exploit jet substructure:
- Two key principle (often combined in actual algorithms):
 - grooming: clean the jets up by removing soft radiation;
 - tagging: identify the features of hard decays and cut on them.
- Core idea for grooming
 - 1 identify the "right" angular scale for a jet
 - 2 throw away what is soft and at large angle



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- Core idea for (2-prong) tagging
 - **1** H/Z/W characterised by symmetric energy sharing: $P_{h \rightarrow q\bar{q}} = 1$
 - **2** QCD splitting is enhanced in the soft limit $P_{gq} = C_F \frac{1+(1-z)^2}{z}$



An expanding universe of jet substructure techniques



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Example of a groomer: soft drop

The algorithm starts from a C/A clustered jet and proceeds as follows:

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[Larkoski, SM, Sovez, Thaler (2013)]
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- 1 Undo the last stage of the clustering. Label the two subjets j_1 and j_2 . **2** If $\frac{\min(p_{T1}, p_{T2})}{(p_{T1}+p_{T2})} > z_c \left(\frac{\Delta_{12}}{R}\right)^{\beta}$ then deem j to be the soft-drop jet. **3** Otherwise redefine j to be the harder subjet and iterate



- Groomer built to be both efficient and robust.
- Amenable for theoretical calculations (see later).

Examples of two-prong taggers (H/Z/W)

- General strategy:
 - 1 groom to remove contamination;
 - 2 select the mass window of interest;
 - **3** use a jet shape to determine the prong structure.
- N-subjettiness is prototype [Thaler and Van Tilburg (2011)].
 - Often used in the experiments: $\tau_{32} = \frac{\tau_3}{\tau_2}$ and $\tau_{21} = \frac{\tau_2}{\tau_1}$.
- Ratios of energy correlation functions also offer a powerful way of discriminating the prong structure [Larkoski, Salam, Thaler (2013)].
- Phase-space analysis can guide us in building the optimal ratio: D_2 [Larkoski, Moult, Neill (2014)].



- Grooming modifies the emission phase-space: shapes that work well on ungroomed jet may loose their discrimination power.
 - design correlation functions that work specifically on groomed jets *M*₂.

[Moult, Necib, Thaler (2016)]

• dichroic ratios, e.g. $\tau_{21} = \frac{\tau_2^{\text{SD}\beta>0}}{\tau_1^{\text{SD}\beta=0}}$.

[Salam, Schunk, Soyez (2016)]

Top tagging

- Top-taggers try to discriminate the three-pronged nature of a top-initiated jet from the background.
- Use shapes and correlation functions that are sensitive to three prongs, e.g. τ_{32} .
- Actual algorithms used by the collaboration can involve many steps (CMS Top Tagger, HEP Top Tagger, HOVRT...).
- Gaining analytic insight is more difficult because of the more complicated phase-space, but recently a breakthrough [Dasgupta, Guzzi, Rawling, Soyez (2018)].



A Matrix-Element-Method-inspired solution: Shower

Deconstruction

- Takes the probability for signal and background jets \rightarrow defines a likelihood-ratio discriminant χ_{SD} [1102.3480] [1211.3140]
- Recluster jet in small sub-jets and use them as top decay partons \to test compatibility with a top/H shower.
- Best tagging performance within non-MVA-based solutions \rightarrow using a theoretically motivated approach.



Jet substructure as a tool

Efficiency and performance

$X \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ methods in ATLAS

• ATLAS studied using R = 0.2 track-jets, variable-R track jets and exclusive k_T subjets for the $X \rightarrow b\overline{b}$.





$X \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ methods in ATLAS – comparison

- Variable-*R* jets and exclusive k_T sub-jets show an improvement in performance.
- R = 0.2 track jets fail to resolve the Higgs decay products as the p_T become higher than ~ 1 TeV.
- Variable-R sub-jets lead to high rejection and reconstruct the direction of the sub-jets very well, relative to the *b*-hadron.





$h ightarrow b ar{b}$ and $h ightarrow c ar{c}$ identification in CMS

- Optimised neural network training for double *b* and *c*-tagging for $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ and $h \rightarrow c\bar{c}$.
- Using convolutional neural networks with constituents and secondary vertex information as inputs.
- Uses the CMS double *b*-tagger (BTV-16-002) features to detect a boosted object to *b*-jet pair decay → exploits correlations between the flight directions of the *b*-jets, using *N*-subjettiness axes.



$h ightarrow b ar{b}$ and $h ightarrow c ar{c}$ identification in CMS

• Much better performance than the double *b*-tagger.



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$b\bar{b}$ vs. $c\bar{c}$ separation

- After tagging $b\bar{b}$ decays, a veto on $c\bar{c}$ decays can be useful to orthogonalise analyses.
- The c vs. b tagger can be used to select c-jets \rightarrow useful to reject $c\bar{c}$ background in a $b\bar{b}$ analysis or vice-versa.



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Top and W tagging

Cut-based taggers in ATLAS

- Improved mass resolution using combined track and calo. information.
- Using trimming to reduce the pile up effects.
- Cutting on the combined mass and D_2 or τ_{32} provides significant rejection.





Cut-based top-taggers in CMS

• CMS uses a soft-drop mass estimate, PUPPI for pile up correction and N-subjettiness as a top-tagger.



Top and W MVA-based taggers in ATLAS

- Top and W tagging using BDTs and neural networks combining several discriminant variables provide significant rejection.
- Variables can be added sequentially \rightarrow no point adding more inputs without a significant benefit in classification.



How much benefit do the MVA taggers provide?

- Up to 30% improvement in W tagging and 100% improvement in top-tagging rejection.
- MVA taggers provide a significant gain in top tagging.
- Where is the extra gain coming from?



MVA methods with lower level inputs

- Using a lower level input for neural network, we may gain significantly in classification power. [1511.05190] [1603.09349] [1701.08784] [1704.02124]
- But there can be a significant impact from detector effects \to need to be evaluated with detector simulation.



A comparison of techniques

- Huge performance gain by MVA techniques at low and high p_T, but also at low and high rejection working points.
- Actually implemented TopoDNN in ATLAS.
 - Best performance even compared with BDT or NN methods which use a higher level input (other jet substructure variables).



[arXiv:1808.07858]

Top tagging using MVA in CMS

- Convolutional NN used in CMS does better than BDT approach.
- Inputs can be constituent's kinematics (p_T , η , ϕ , ΔR between subjets) in the "kinematics" version.
- "Full" version adds information about the secondary vertex and track displacement and quality.



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Efficiency – ATLAS SD and HTTv1

 And so are more complex taggers, such as Shower Deconstruction and HEPTopTagger v1.



Efficiency – ATLAS TopoDNN

 Best performant MVA tagger has a very good agreement with data, both as a function of p_T and < μ >.



Tagging effects on mass

- Taggers often use the mass information to optimise the selection.
- This leads to sculpting of the mass spectrum in both signal and background.
- We might want to tag a generic $X \rightarrow qq'$ resonance without using its (unknown) mass.
- Or we might want to avoid using the mass information to define a background control region.



Mass decorrelation in ATLAS - methods

- The taggers can be made more general by not using the mass information.
- Several methods were studied in ATLAS to decorrelate the mass and other jet substructure information.
 - Fixed-efficiency regression [1710.00159] .
 - Designed decorrelated taggers [1603.00027] .
 - Convolved substructure [1710.06859] .
 - Adversarially trained NNs [1703.03507] .
 - Boosting for uniform efficiency [1305.7248] .
- ATLAS defined a metric for decorrelation using the symmetrised Kullback-Leibler divergence (JSD):
 - JSD(fraction^{pass}_{bkg})||fraction^{fail}_{bkg}) \rightarrow measure distance between distributions of background events that pass and fail the selection.

Mass decorrelation in ATLAS

• The mass histograms below show the fraction of signal (*W*+jets) and background (QCD multi-jets) before and after the selection.



[ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-014]

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Mass decorrelation vs. background rejection

• It is possible to perform a fair comparison on several decorrelation methods using this metric.



W' ightarrow tb search

- ATLAS search for W' → tb uses Shower Deconstruction to achieve a huge background reduction.
- A cut is made in the χ_{SD} likelihood ratio observable.









[Phys. Lett. B 781 (2018) 327]

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$h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ search

- CMS uses the soft drop mass for a search for a highly boosted SM Higgs decaying into bb.
- The soft drop groomed jets allow us to see quite clearly the $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ events.



[Phys. Rev. Lett. 120 (2018) 071802]

Jet substructure for precision

Precision calculations meet the data

Precision calculations for the soft-drop jet mass

 All-order calculations, with meaningful uncertainty bands, are now available for the soft-drop jet mass. [Frye, Larkoski, Schwartz, Yan (2016)], [SM, Schunk, Soyez (2017)], [Kang, Lee, Liu, Ringer (2018)].



• Non-pert. corrections greatly reduced, perturbative convergence is improved.



 Great opportunity to test and constrain simulation tools. e.g. parton showers and their hadronisation models.

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CMS jet substructure measurements

- CMS has provided measurements of several jet substructure variables. Showing the soft drop mass and *N*-subjettiness.
- Good agreement with simulation over a large phase space range.
- Some disagreement at higher p_T.
- Also unfolded the N-subjetiness observables.



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ATLAS soft drop mass measurement

- ATLAS has published measurements of $\log_{10}[m_{\text{soft drop}}/p_{T,\text{ungroomed}}]^2$ for $\beta \in \{0, 1, 2\}.$
- Disagreements where non-perturbative effects are expected to appear.
- Large uncertainty from the QCD modeling.

[arXiv:1711.08341]



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ATLAS colour flow measurement

- ATLAS used *tt* events to measure magnitude angle of the pull vector: allows a test of the colour flow.
- Colour flow angle between the *W* jets shown below after unfolding.
- Very subtle effect not well predicted by most simulators and measured with great precision.





[arXiv:1805.02935]

Jet substructure for precision

Towards the extraction of Standard Model parameters

Towards α_s extraction



(from B. Nachman, BOOST's talk)

- Current precision is less than 1% and is dominated by the lattice.
- Next-most precise is LEP event shapes and differs by \sim 5% (3 σ).
- Preliminary studies show that using soft-drop mass (or other angularities) can lead to an extraction with 10% uncertainty. [Les Houches (2017)]



• Not yet competitive for the world average but worth pursuing.

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Groomed e^+e^- event shapes

- This study can pave the way for a more competitive measurement in e⁺e⁻
- Groomed event shapes show reduced sensitivity to hadronisation and may help breaking degeneracy with non-perturbative effects and resolve long-standing puzzle of low α_s . [Baron, SM, Theeuwes (2018)]



- New NNLO results for groomed event shapes are presented at this confernece [Kardos, Somogyi, Troócsányi (2018)]
- No time to cover it here but also: extraction of top mass with light grooming. [Hoang, Mantry, Pathak, Stewart (2017)]

Jet substructure goes nuclear

- Ideas and observables to study jets in proton collisions have made their way into the heavy-ion community.
- Jets and their structure offer a unique probe for the quark-gluon plasma.
- Tough both theoretically and experimentally, but results are pouring in.



courtesy of Jesse Thaler

ATLAS measurement of m/p_T in PbPb and pp

- The nuclear modification factor, *R*_{AA}, is measured.
- No visible change in the m/p_T distribution shapes between PbPb and pp.
- We are not yet sensitive to quark-gluon plasma effects in this variable.



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New ideas and techniques

News from BOOST 2018

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Physics intuition meets computer science I: Lund plane

- Standard approach is supervised learning: apply classification algorithms to large collections of (simulated) samples, e.g. the jet image. [de Oliveira, Kagan, Mackey, Nachman, Schwartzman (2015)]
- Physics intuition can lead us to construct better representations of a jet: the Lund plane. [Dreyer, Salam, Soyez (2018)] (see talk in parallel session)



- Decluster the jet following the hard branch and record (k_t, Δ) at each step
- Use this representation as input of log-likelihood or ML algorithms.

Physics intuition meets computer science II: Junipr

 Physics intuition can lead us to construct better representations of a jet: Jets using UNsupervised Interpretable PRobabilistic models. [Andreassen, Feige, Frye, Schwartz (2018)]



- Implemented using Recurrent Neural Networks, which are trained on (simulated) data.
- The trained model (10⁶ parameters) can be used for discrimination as well as for generation!

Physics intuition meets computer science III: Jet Topics

- Quark/gluon tagging always a hot (and controversial) topic in jet substructure.
- Jet topics exploit the technology of topic modelling from texts. [Medotiev, Thaler (2018)]



adapted from E. Metodiev and J. Thaler



• Basic assumptions: categories exist and they are mutually irreducible (∃ region of 100 % purity for each topic).

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Summary

- Many ideas from both ATLAS and CMS on top/V/Higgs tagging!
- A lot of dialogue with the phenomenology community, recycling, improving and creating new methods.
- How can we understand the improvements observed from Machine Learning?
 - Analytical calculations are excellent tools:
 - to understand jet substructure and ...
 - to develop new taggers.
- The time has come to move from just *tagging* jets to also *measuring* jets.

Summary

[arXiv:1711.08341]



Extra slides

HEPTopTagger v. 1

- Tests the compatibility with a 3-prong decay based on the sub-jets mass ratios. [0910.5472] [1006.2833]
- Cuts on mass ratio of the 3 decay products.



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CMS: $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ and $h \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ tagger p_T dependency

• Not a huge dependency on *p*_T.

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CMS: Mass sculpting

- But are the previous taggers relying on the jet mass?
- If the tagger uses the jet mass directly, the performance may be different for a Higgs or a $Z\to b\bar{b}.$



CMS: Mass sculpting – effect of decorrelation

• Decorrelating the jet mass and the tagger may allow the tagger to be applicable in more analyses.

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Before decorrelation

After decorrelation

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