Machine Learning in **High Energy Physics Mark Neubauer** University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

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Preliminaries



- I will focus primarily on the experiments at CERN's Large Hadron Collider (LHC)
 - They have big data challenges which ML applications can help to address
- I will try to emphasize ML aspects that I view as most forward-facing toward the next decade

<u>Terminology</u>

Artificial Intelligence (AI) General term, since 1950s

Machine Learning (ML) BDTs, shallow neural networks, since 1990s

Deep Learning (DL) Neural networks with many layers, unprocessed inputs, since 2010

Systems that make decisions usually requiring a human level of expertise, possessing the qualities of intentionality, intelligence and adaptability



CERN's Large Hadron Collider (LHC)





LHC Experiments





CERN's Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

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• At the LHC, counter-rotating proton beams cross with a frequency of 40 MHz



- The beams consist of ~2500 bunches of O(100 billion) protons per bunch that are steered into one another
 - \rightarrow Each *pp* collision produces of O(10³) particles!
- These beams are squeezed to increase the collision rate and therefore increase the chance of producing interesting but rare physics for discovery science
 - → comes with a price: multiple pp interactions per bunch crossing ("pile-up") that can obscure the most interesting (hard scattering) physics

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Status: November 2019



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LHC Schedule







Collision event recorded by the CMS detector during a high luminosity running of the LHC with $<\mu > \sim 100$



 Higher luminosity running leads to increase size and complexity collision data
→ a serious challenge for detector triggering and event reconstruction in the experiments during HL-LHC (<µ>~200) running!

Typical LHC data flow

Collisions





Higgs Discovery! 10

Typical LHC data flow



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→ Must continually choose a winner out of 40,000 (avg.) very wisely and must choose it very fast!



40 MHz O(100 TB/s)



Collisions

LHC Experiments





LHC Experiments





LHC Experiments generate ~50 PB/year of science data (during Run 2)



The HL-LHC Challenge



ATLAS & CMS will record ~10 times as much data from ~100 times as many collisions as were used to discover the Higgs boson (and at twice the energy).

The HL-LHC will produce exabytes of science data per year, with increased complexity: an average of 200 overlapping *pp* collisions per event

Several large US software and computing projects have been initiated to help address these challenges, including:

Institute for Research & Innovation in Software for HEP (IRIS-HEP)

 IRIS-HEP begin in September 2018 and resulted from a 2-year communitywide effort involving 18 workshops and 8 position papers, most notably a <u>HEP Software Foundation Community White Paper</u> and a <u>Strategic Plan</u>.

HEP Center for Computational Excellence (<u>HEP-CCE</u>)

A cross-cutting initiative to promote excellence in high performance computing (HPC) including data-intensive applications, scientific simulations, and data movement and storage.

Many HEP problems can be recast as ML problems \rightarrow ML is rapidly playing a key role in addressing HL-LHC challenges & enabling new science capabilities!

E.g. Event Classification

- Observation of electroweak single top quark production in association with a Z boson and a quark ($pp \rightarrow tZq$) by the ATLAS Collaboration
- Sensitive probe of new physics (e.g. FCNCs)
- Trained an artificial neural network (ANN) to classify tZq events using simulated data for improved signal and background separation
 - ANN performance validated by studying events with similar signatures (control regions) that are dominated by background processes



E.g. "Object" (t-quark) Classification





E.g. ML-based Fast Shower Simulation

- ATLAS: Simulation is the largest use of distributed computing resources and ~80% of that is calorimeter simulation
- Two of the most promising ML-based approaches studied thus far:

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E.g. NN Stability / Decorrelation

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S Bollweg, BSc Thesis

- Goal: Stabilize discriminator against systematic uncertainty or other effect
- Adversarial training (e.g. decorrelate jet mass)





E.g. Triggering with Autoencoders



- Without algorithmic or other (e.g. hardware) improvements, trigger requirements become more restrictive at the HL-LHC to fit into computing constraints → decreasing sensitivity to some beyond-the-SM (BSM) signatures
- Unsupervised learning can be used to train the trigger to identify BSM physics as anomalies in the data stream
 arXiv:1811.10276





Since the compression capability of an AE network does not generalize well to other data, we can use the loss (encoder-decoder distance) to identify events not representative of the training data (i.e. anomalies)

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E.g. Triggering with Autoencoders

- SM cocktail dataset as collected with isolated single lepton trigger
- 21 input quantities: lepton 10^{-2} momentum, isolation, charge, number of jets, missing transverse energy, etc... \rightarrow very generic and intended to be BSM signal agnostic 10^{-2}
- Triggered events could be 1 written to a special "anomaly" data stream for additional analysis





E.g. Tracking w/ Graph Neural Networks

- Data relationships in many real-world applications can be naturally represented by graphs
- Graph Neural Networks (GNNs) are deep learning based methods that capture dependencies on graphs via message passing between the nodes of graphs
- GNNs are well-suited to pattern recognition a key element of reconstructing charged particles in tracking detectors
- Work on GNN approaches to tracking and calorimetry initiated by HEP.TrkX and is being driven by the EXA.TrkX group (see their <u>2019 NeurIPS paper</u>). Several members of IRIS-HEP are collaborating on this effort
- Detector measurements are represented as graph nodes which are associated with one another by learned graph edges that represent the particle tracks



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- We use the TrackML Challenge Data for training & evaluation
- Preprocessing for GNN models use HEP.TrkX libraries with a truth particle p_T > 2 GeV cut





GNN-based inference can be implemented on FPGAs to accelerate computationally expensive parts of the event reconstruction such as calorimetry and tracking in the ATLAS or CMS High-Level (software) trigger







high level synthesis for machine learning



arxiv.1804.06913



Workshop on Sept 10-11, 2019 @ Fermilab

Hosted at the Fermilab LPC and co-located with the FastML "developer bootcamp" which held tutorials and hackathon (195 registered participants!)



Read our <u>White Paper</u> on how accelerated ML can be applied across many fields of fundamental physics!

Workshop Webpage & Report



Fast Machine Learning and Inference





Looking forward...

- Many HEP problems can be recast as ML problems ML is rapidly playing a key role in addressing HL-LHC challenges & enabling new science capabilities
- Some key areas of ML for HEP going forward as I see it (some topics were covered in this talk, but many not):
 - Fast (accelerated, "real-time") ML training and inference
 - Adversarial training, data augmentation
 - Supervised learning with raw detector information ("whole-event ML")
 - Unsupervised learning, anomaly detection
 - Weakly supervised learning (e.g. CWoLa, Tag 'N Track)
 - Reinforcement learning
 - Deep Generative Models for Fast Detector Simulation
 - Uncertainty quantification
 - Graph-based learning
 - Training and Workforce development
 - Physics-inspired -driven network architectures









Bender: Come on, Fry. I really wanna see it [the year 2000]. You know how I yearn for a simpler time... a time of barn dances and buggy rides before life was cheapened by heartless, high-tech machines.



Leela: But, Bender, you are a— Bender: [dismissive] blah blah blah blah

CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN Data recorded: 2016-Oct-14 09:56:16,733952 GMT Run / Event / LS: 283171 / 142530805 / 264

Credit: CERN

Collision event recorded by the CMS detector during a high luminosity running of the LHC with $<\mu > ~ 100$