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# Advanced use cases: training NN on HPC via a **Kubernetes based interface**

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### Quartic coupling



Extremely rare  $\rightarrow out of$ reach for HL-LHC

Serves as additional probe for BSM





## What are the most sensitive non-resonant HH analyses to Higgs boson self-couplings $(k_{\lambda}, k_{2V})$ ?













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#### Jet as an image ?

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- Jets can be interpreted as pixel-like images  $\bullet$ taken by a camera called particle detector
- **Cons:** images are sparse and we have  $\bullet$ multiple detectors providing heterogeneous informations
- **Conclusion:** we cannot easily use technique  $\bullet$ for image classification to solve jet tagging







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#### Jet as a graph of particles $\rightarrow$ GCNN or Transformers

- A jet is a sparse set of particles  $\rightarrow$  graph nodes
- *Number of nodes varies* from graph to graph
- Nodes can be related via physics-inspired pairwise features  $\rightarrow$  graph edges
- Particles in the jet are product of the shower algorithm which respects conservation of 4-momentum, Lorentzinvariance, etc
- Transformers networks, which are equivalent to fully connected graphs, are state-of art architectures for jet tagging
- Examples of modern jet-tagging networks:
- Particle-Transformer (ParT) [Link]
- Lorentz Geometric-Algebra-Transformer (LGATr) [Link]



# A real-example: jet-tagging with ParT .. step-1

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#### **Production of training Ntuples**

- Dataset must be large O(100)M jets as ParT model for AK4-tagging contains about **2-2.5M** hyper-parameters
- Jets from a **diverse set** of simulated **physics processes**
- **Processes:** ttbar, V+jets, QCD multijet, VBF-H, VH, high mass Z', etc
- Input features for each jet:
  - PF-candidates information  $\rightarrow$  PackedPFCandidates
  - $(\mu, e, \gamma)$  specific features  $\rightarrow$  match with slimmed Muons, etc.
  - Lost tracks matched to the jet with  $p_T > 1$  GeV
  - Secondary, kaon, and lambda vertexes matched to the jet
  - If PF-candidate is used to build an HPS- $\tau$







# A real-example: jet-tagging with ParT .. step-2

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- Goals:
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- Define **truth class** and **truth kinematics** from GEN info
- Skim options:
  - jet selection to be applied
  - PF/SV/track/lepton candidate minium p<sub>T</sub>
  - Selection for data-domain adaptation:  $Z\mu\mu$ ,  $DY(\mu\tau)$ , dijet, tt(e $\mu$ )
  - **Caveat:** not all parameters can be override via command line [Link]





### Technical implementation

- Standalone compiled C++ via scram (CMSSW) using std::thread for parallel event loop
- Python script to launch skim step on CondorHT CERN batch, a job for all files in a list
- By default I/O on CERN EOS either via XROOTD or local mount-point
- Reduced compression w.r.t. default NanoAOD for faster I/O
- Instructions:

https://gitlab.cern.ch/rgerosa/particlenetstudiesrun2/-/ tree/cmssw 13X new features/ TrainingNtupleMakerAK4?ref type=heads#skimtraining-ntuples







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## A real-example: training framework

- **Training framework** based on a **customised** version of the **weaver-core** package developed by Huilin Qu for ParticleNet
  - Fully based on **python3** and **PyTorch** as machine-learning engine
  - **ROOT** to **awkward** array conversion via **uproot**, then **awkward** to **numpy / torch tensors**
  - Interface to internal operation via **YAML configuration file**  $\bullet$ 
    - Training and test dataset selection via cut string
    - **Definition** of **new variables** (columns)
    - **Definition** of input **feature transformation** (variable standardisation)
    - Definition of class weights and per-jet sampling weights based on kinematics  $\bullet$
    - **Padding mode** (wrap or zero-padding) and **length** for each input block
    - Definition of **truth labels** (classification labels) and **targets** (regression targets)
  - **NN architecture** and **loss function** are given as external modules

#### Technical preparation of weaver

- Setup pip-python libraries in a conda environment  $\rightarrow$  [Instructions]
- Example of a ParT architecture config and loss definition  $\rightarrow$  [YAML config]



Example of a weaver configuration needed to run a classification + regression task  $\rightarrow$  [YAML config]

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## Technical example

- This is done once for the entire jetlibrary **provided** that the definition of truth labels and sampling binning isn't changed
- **RDF python code** that computes the sampling weights [Link]
- Weights stored in the configuration file,  $\bullet$ see for example [YAML config weights]











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### Feature engineering

- Basic feature standardisation can help in maximising NN performance
- Implementation in weaver: for every input feature in each block one can define a vector of parameters
  - Mean value to shift to 0
  - Variance value to transform to variance 1
  - Clipping values for outliers
- RDF python code that computes standardisation parameters [Link]
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### High CPU throughput needed

- Large dataset size O(1TB) that needs to analysed at every epoch  $\rightarrow$  *cannot be loaded in memory*
- Iterative PyTorch loader that loads in memory a chunk of every file, converts to torch tensors, apply transformation, defines new columns, and build batches
- The data-loader need to span across different **parallel workers** to keep the pace with the **training loop**

### Large RAM needed

- columns, etc

Order of 16 workers needed

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## **Running training: challenges**



• Goal: run the training until convergence in order or 4-5 days, a week at maximum for the more complex cases

• Load cyclically a small chunk of each file, pad to a fix dimension, create new

 Instantiate multiple iterative workers for I/ O is more demanding on the memory side • Uncompress files and decided whether to use lower floating point precision



### GPU memory and speed

- Mini-batch not ideal cause of larger loss fluctuations and more backward passes
- Larger batches required lot of GPU memory

Parallel on 2 GPUs 24 Gb each or single GPU with 48 Gb











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### National research platform (NRP)

- US network of computing centers lead by UCSD [Link]
- Sites are linked together under a common Kubernetes cluster
- GPUs available ~ 1.5k
- Five **CEPH** clusters with S3 access allowing for **O(10)** Pb storage
- Typical machine: O(128) CPUs, O(540) Gb RAM, 5 TB SSD, 8 GPU
- Description of cluster and its use:

https://docs.nationalresearchplatform.org/

• Monitor job / pod resources via Grafana webpages





## Solution is to use an HPC facility



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## **Running over a Kubernetes cluster**

manual job submission / description

### Training environment $\rightarrow$ docker image

- **Docker image:** it starts from default centos/RHEL/ ubuntu + cuda images from NVIDIA
- Additional software: git, rsync, krb5, + xrootd (in case I/O with CERN is needed)
- **Conda env** with packages needed by weaver-core
- Docker file [Link]
- Docker image uploaded to gitlab registry of a repository interfaced with the cluster
- Commands needed to create and upload the docker image from a local computer [Link]





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Persistent volume and data transfer from CERN

- Persistent volume of O(2.5) TB on the CEPH cluster [Link]
- Generate CERN kerberos keytab and upload as KUBE secret
- Copy files without pwd in the KUBE job [Link]

#### Example of training job submission

- weaver-core not included in the docker image: it is pulled from github at job starting  $\rightarrow$  allows to update packages
- weaver train.py script takes several input parameters to customise the job
- Training submission command [Link]

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# **Running over a Kubernetes cluster: example**

• *Kubectl config YAML file* is made by several sections

job name and docker container to pull

apiVersion: batch/v1 kind: Job metadata: name: weaver-job-ak4-transformer-cont-ch spec: template: spec: containers: - name: process image: gitlab-registry.nrp-nautilus.io/rgerosa/particlenetrun2ul/weaver\_cuda121\_torch212\_alma9:latest command: ["/bin/sh","-c"]

#### node affinity: type of hardware, etc. $\rightarrow$ 48 Gb GPUs





*job resources, volumes, shared memory* 



### args section of the config express the commands to be executed

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# Final results: heavy flavour tagging



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**ParT** show the capability of being:

- Better than DeepTau on ID ullet
- Better than HPS in decay mode assignment  $\bullet$
- **Recover inefficiencies** in HPS reconstruction  $\bullet$



## **Final results: hadronic** τ<sub>h</sub>



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# Final results: jet p<sub>T</sub> regression and per-jet resolution

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• Implemented without chaining the network layout but by adding a regression term to the loss-function









# Final results: improve description with data-domain

- Jet tagging outputs are calibrated in-situ with data using data control regions (CRs)
- Known as **b/c-tagging** efficiency **scale factors** → measured via **iterative simultaneous fit**
- SFs can be significantly different from unity  $\rightarrow$  impact on analysis performance





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- Availability of high performance analysis facilities will be crucial for the development of our field towards HL-LHC and FCC • Today I focused on a single use case about data-preparation, ML training, and inference for jet-tagging
- Execution of the task from A to Z without R&D requires:
  - O(5) days for dataset preparation starting from MiniAOD
  - O(1) week for training + testing on NRP
  - O(5) days for validation in data from MiniAOD
- With improved workflows for high rate data preparation and a validation, as well as improved pipelines and hardware for ML, *a large speedup and a more efficiency use of resources is certainly possible*
- This will immensely help CMS POGs that are short in person-power, dedicated analysis facilities and connected resources
- If some of you is interest in helping to test and automatise a procedure to run such kind of task with INFN resource contact me!







## backup slides







- **Clustering** is an **unsupervised task** as we don't know what the result will be before running it
- **Clustering** aggregates **particles** via a logic based on a **distance (metric)** between particles or their clusters
- **Clustering** is **an-iterative procedure** that produces  $\bullet$ recombinations until a condition in satisfied
- Jets serve two purposes: (a) observables that one can predict and measure, (b) **tools** to extract properties of a final state  $\rightarrow$  constraints are **infrared** and **ultra-violet safety**
- The **anti-k<sub>T</sub> jet clustering** takes just one parameter called R distance that defines nearest neighbours of each particle

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### Particle-flow reconstruction

- Particle-flow (PF) provides an improved event description by correlating single detector measurements
- PF-candidates in offline reconstruction:
  - Leptons (muons and electrons ) and photons
  - Charged hadrons: everything interpreted as pion ( $\pi^{\pm}$ )
  - Neutral hadrons (neutrons, KL<sup>0</sup>)
- Useful info outside PF-candidate collection:
  - Tracks not linked to any PF-object  $\rightarrow$  lost tracks
  - V<sub>0</sub> candidates: K<sub>s</sub> and lambdas











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