GPUs for Higgs boson data analysis at the LHC using the Matrix Element Method

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Measuring Small Signals at Hadron Colliders

- Many *interesting processes* at hadron colliders *are rare*! (*Higgs, weak bosons, top quarks*)
- Before doing anything, challenging Signal : Background (S:B) ~ 1:10¹⁰
- First step:

Trigger and ID clean objects (e.g. leptons) \rightarrow Improves S:B by $\sim 10^6$

• Second step:

Characterize the data in the full dimensionality of the final state to *discriminate small signals from much larger backgrounds*

- ✓Topological event selection cuts
- ✓ Advanced analysis techniques

Machine learning: NN, BDT, SVM, kNN Physics: Matrix Element Method



Simplified Multivariate Analysis Workflow



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Machine Learning Algorithms used in HEP

Neural Networks

Boosted Decision Trees

Matrix Element Method





$$P(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \left| M(p_i^{\mu}) \right|^2 d\Phi$$

System of interconnected "neurons" computing values from input features trained by minimizing error function. Training of a sequence of cuts (hyper-cubes of phase space) to maximize the purity of output leafs. Compute signal and background probability densities for each candidate event based on Fermi's Golden rule.

Machine learning algorithms require *training* from simulated data

The method 'knows all the physics'

Enabling Discoveries – Example Single Top



Single top would not have been discovered at the Tevatron w/o advanced analysis techniques

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Expected Significance σ

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Matrix Element Method

PDFs of colliding partons

Momenta of colliding

partons

- Attempt to encode all available kinematic / dynamic information about an event into a single observable
- Based on Fermi's Golden rule: P = |



$$P_{i} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{obs}} \sum_{flavour} \int_{V_{n}} M_{i}^{2}(\mathbf{Y}) \frac{f_{1}(x_{1}, Q^{2})f_{2}(x_{2}, Q^{2})}{|\vec{q_{1}}| \cdot |\vec{q_{2}}|} d\Phi_{n}(q_{1} + q_{2}; y_{1}, ..., y_{n}) \cdot TF(\mathbf{Y}; X)$$

 x_1, x_2

 σ_{obs}

M_i Lorentz invariant ME	state particles
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Fractions of proton beam energy

Total cross-section for observed final state **TF** Transfer functions

Probability of measuring the set of observables (X) that correspond to particle kinematics (Y)

$$d\Phi_n(q_1+q_2;\mathbf{y}_1,..,\mathbf{y}_n) = (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(q_1+q_2-\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{y}_i) \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 \mathbf{y}_i}{(2\pi)^3 2\mathbf{E}_i}$$

 f_1, f_2

 q_1, q_2

Transfer Functions

- The transfer functions describes the evolution from *particle* \rightarrow *observable*
- I.e. the transfer function TF(Y; X), provides the probability of measuring the set of observable variables (X) that correspond to the set of production variables (Y).
 - A = measured momenta
 - \diamond Y = particle momenta
- Leptons are well measured. Jet directions are well measured
- The typical choice is to assume delta functions for lepton momenta and jet directions and only treat hadronic jet energies



Flat TF for unobserved particles (e.g. neutrinos)

$$TF(Y;X) = \delta^{3}(\vec{p}_{l}^{y} - \vec{p}_{l}^{x}) \prod_{i=1}^{2} \delta^{2}(\Omega_{i}^{y} - \Omega_{i}^{x}) \prod_{j=1}^{2} TF(E_{parton_{j}}, E_{jet_{j}})$$

Transfer Functions for Hadronic Jets

- Calorimeters measure jet energies
- Relate particle jet energy to parton energy^{EM}
- Double Gaussian parameterization , accounts for detector response (Gaussian core) and also for parton fragmentation outside of the jet definition (non-Gaussian tail).

Double Gaussian parameterization:

$$TF_{jet}(E_{jet}, E_{parton}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}(p_1 + p_2 p_5)} \left[\exp \frac{-(\delta_E - p_1)^2}{2p_2^2} + p_3 \exp \frac{-(\delta_E - p_4)^2}{2p_5^2} \right]$$

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where:
$$p_i = a_i + b_i E_{partor}$$

Particle jet





Matrix Element Method



Matrix Element Method



Matrix Element Analysis:



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Matrix Element Method at the LHC

ATLAS has applied the Matrix Element Method to $H \rightarrow WW$ searches



most sensitivity gain observed for high Higgs mass



Matrix Element for Property Measurements

Matrix Element Method for precision top quark mass measurement:

- First application of the method at the Tevatron in 2004
- Evaluate ttbar probability densities as a function of M_{ton}

$$L(c_{s}, M_{top}) \propto \prod_{i=1}^{N} (c_{s} P_{ttbar,i}(x, M_{top}) + (1 - c_{s}) P_{W+jets,i}(x))$$

– Obtain best value for M_{top} by multiplying event probability densities:



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Matrix Element for Property Measurements

Matrix Element Method for Higgs searches + property measurements



Matrix Element Likelihood Analysis: uses kinematic inputs for signal to background discrimination $\{m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta^*, \Phi, \Phi_1\}$

MELA =
$$\left[1 + \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4\ell})}{\mathcal{P}_{\text{sig}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4\ell})}\right]^{-1}$$

- CMS $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4$ lepton analysis
- Clean analysis, only well measured leptons no unobserved particles,
 - \rightarrow No phase space integration
- Easy access to property measurements, e.g.

pseudoMELA =
$$\frac{P_{0+}}{P_{0+} + P_{0-}}$$



Pros and Con of Matrix Element Technique

PROS:

 The method provides access to most powerful test statistic, the *likelihood ratio*, for discriminating between alternative hypotheses - Neyman-Pearson lemma



 $\Lambda(x) = \frac{L(\theta_0 \mid x)}{L(\theta_1 \mid x)}$

- The method 'knows already all the physics'
- The probability densities P_i that fully characterize candidate events directly *depends* on the physical parameters of interest (allows to scan the physics parameters – e.g. couplings or masses)
- It avoids tuning on unphysical parameters for analysis optimization
- It requires no training, thereby mitigating dependence on large samples of simulated events and MC modeling issues

CONS:

• Performing phase space integration can be computationally prohibitive

CPU versus GPU

• Traditionally, the Matrix Element Analysis has been performed on CPUs

• The computational issue:

- Complex final states with unobserved particles (e.g. neutrinos) or many poorly measured objects (e.g. jets)
- Requires *multi-dimensional phase space integral* for each event
- Easily use up many thousands of CPU hours for a typical analysis (slows down optimization and debugging)

• A solution:

- Graphics Processing Units (GPUs) provide cheap, extensive parallel processing
- Need to implement Matrix Element analysis on GPUs
- Ideally, the implementation should be generic and flexible to accommodate any particle physics process

Monte Carlo Phase Space Integration

- Many processes will require ≥ 3 dimensional phase space integrals (moreover when considering higher order effects, e.g. NLO recoil)
- For dim \geq 3, Monte Carlo Integration is the natural solution
- Employ VEGAS algorithm (stratified and importance sampling technique)

$$I = \int_{V_m} f(\vec{x}) d\vec{x} \longrightarrow S_N \equiv V_m \underbrace{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(\vec{x}_i)}_{\equiv \overline{f}}$$

Excellent candidate for parallel computing
Residual error after
evaluating N points $\Delta S_N \approx \frac{V_m}{\sqrt{N}} \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (f(\vec{x}_i) - \overline{f})^2\right)}_{\equiv \sigma_f}$

CPU vs GPU for Matrix Element Calculation



C++, Fortan, Python

CUDA, OpenCL

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 \rightarrow Develop plugin for MadGraph to write out code for both architectures

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A GPU ME Plugin for MadGraph

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*
           WELCOME to MADGRAPH 5
                  *
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         VERSION 1.5.14
                                       2013-11-27
*
     The MadGraph Development Team - Please visit us at
*
     https://server06.fynu.ucl.ac.be/projects/madgraph
*
mg5>
mg5>generate p p > h j j  $$ w+ w- / z , h > w+ w- > e+ ve mu- vm~
. . .
mg5>output standalone ocl me vbf ocl
Output to directory /home/stelzer/MadGraph5 v1 5 14 mod/bin/me vbf ocl done.
mg5>exit
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- Developed an easy to use plug-in for MadGraph
- Interface similar to MadWeight
- Export skeleton code for any $2 \rightarrow N$ particle process in CUDA, OpenCL & C++

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A Search for ttH - GPU Case Study

- Observation of tt + Higgs will provide direct access to top Yukawa coupling
- Combinatorial background for M_{bb} reconstruction is large given 4-6 jets
- Complex final state provides a good benchmark for Matrix Element method
- One of the highlights of LHC Run 2
 → Cross section will increase by x4.7





Dimension of Phase Space Integral

- Independent kinematic variables:
 - The 8 *final state particles* correspond to
 8 x 3 = 24 degrees of freedom
 - The longitudinal momenta of the *initial state* partons amount to 2 degrees of freedom
 - Total: 26 degrees of freedom
- Constraints:
 - Lepton momenta are well measured (i.e their TFs delta functions): 3 x 2 = 6 constraints
 - Jet direction are well measured: 2 x 4 = 8 constraints
 - Energy and momentum conservation: 4 constraints
 - Total: 18 constraints
- Phase space integral:
 - 26 degrees of freedom 18 constraints = 8 dimensional integral
 - E.g. Integration over: $E_{b1}, E_{b2}, E_{b3}, E_{b4}, p_{v1}^x, p_{v1}^y, p_{v1}^z, p_{v2}^z$



Dimension of Phase Space Integral



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Matrix Element Method for ttH Search



- Evaluation of the integrand is broken into components for the matrix element M, the PDF's, the TF's and the phase space ϕ a single GPU "kernel" program each
- PDF data is stored in (x, Q^2) grids for each parton flavor and passed to the kernel.

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Current Hardware



Configuration	Details
CPU	Intel Xeon CPU E5-2620 0 @ 2.00GHz (single core) using gcc 4.8.1
CPU (MP)	Intel Xeon CPU E5-2620 0 @ 2.00GHz (twelve cores + hyperthreading) using AMD SDK 2.9 / OpenCL 1.2
GPU	AMD Radeon R9 290X GPU (2,816 c.u.) using AMD SDK 2.9 / OpenCL 1.2
GPU_x	Same hardware as GPU but with modifications to the code to accomodate GPU architecture

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Particle Level Results



Hadron Level Results



- I.e. evaluation of 8-dimensional phase space integration for each event
- Improvement for GPU / CPU (~50x)

$$D = \log_{10} \left(\frac{\hat{p}_{t\bar{t}H}}{\hat{p}_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}} \right)$$



Hadron Speed-up: Time in Seconds for 1 Event

Process	CPU	CPU (MP)	GPU	GPU_x	GPU _x /CPU
signal	312	36.2	7.5	5.9	52.0
background	405	55.1	9.1	7.1	57.3

Hadron Level Results

• Recently implemented ttH analysis in lepton + jets channel



- Only 6-dim phase space integral (instead of 8-dim)
- Variable transformation much simpler
- More jet-parton permutations
- GPU/CPU speadup >100x

Semi Leptonic Speed-up: Time in Seconds for 1 Event					
Process	CPU	CPU (MP)	GPU_x	GPU _x /CPU	
signal	1000	91	7.9	125	
background	3800 (est.)	347	35	109	

Notes on Hadron Level Performance

- The integration algorithm (VEGAS) is run on the CPU in all cases,
 → Damps the GPU improvements in the integral evaluation.
- Variable transformations and transfer functions add a lot of complexity

 → Requires double floating point precision (slower)
 → Expect larger GPU improvements for simpler processes (as observed)
- The overall duty factor of the GPU is significantly reduced, limited by number of registers to each thread, to as low as 10% - 20%, since the full number of cores is not utilized → Further optimization possible

Next Benchmark Tests

Next steps:

Thanks to the NVIDIA Corporation, we will soon benchmark with NVIDIA Tesla K40



	Nvidia Tesla k40	AMD Radeon R9 290X
Floating-point precision	4.29 Tflops	5.6 Tflops
Bandwidth	288 GB/s	320 GB/s
Memory Size	12 GB	4 GB
Cores	2880	2816
Language	CUDA	OpenCL

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Current Results on LHC ttH Searches

CMS ttH Search

- Dilepton and lepton + jets channel
- 4, 5, ≥6jet sample with
 2b, 3b, ≥4b categories
- Discriminant based on Matrix Element Method (still evaluated on CPU)

ATLAS ttH Search

- Dilepton and lepton + jets channel
- 4, 5, ≥6jet sample with
 2b, 3b, ≥4b categories
- Discriminant based on Neural Network







Summary

- The computationally prohibitive Matrix Element Method can be sped up by large factors (up to 100+) using GPUs instead of CPUs
- This means, GPU based parallel computing makes the Matrix Element Method viable for <u>general usage</u> at the LHC
- We have developed a plugin for the event generator MadGraph, to output GPU compatible MEM code for any 2 → N process
- Useful tool for Higgs measurements, characterization and general searches for new Physics at the LHC
- Short paper submitted to Comp. Phys. Com, arXiv:1407.7595

