Machine Learning for Event Reconstruction with the ATLAS Detector CDMPP Early Career Research Workshop

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Introduction

- Wide variety of physics analyses performed on data recorded by the ATLAS Detector at the LHC
- Many BSM searches (eg supersymmetric models) have dark matter candidates
- Accuracy of object reconstruction vital to all physics analyses

Machine Learning for Event Reconstruction

- Calorimeter calibration relies on understanding single particle response for *pp* collisions, this is mostly pions
- Current methods for identifying and calibrating the energy of pions do not make use of distribution of energy within the calorimeter
- Lots of information in shower shape and depth a neural network can use this!



Neural Network Architectures

- Investigated three different neural network architectures
- Two goals: classification, and energy calibration



¹https://arxiv.org/abs/1910.03773

Classifier Goals

- Ultimate goal to apply the correct energy scale to each topo-cluster
- Need to classify pion events as hadronic (charged) or electromagnetic (neutral)
- Currently done using \mathscr{P}_{clus}^{EM}
- ML techniques can use shower shape information to improve efficiency



Classifier Results

- π^0 rejection vs π^+ efficiency
- Vastly improved performance with all architectures!
- eg at 90% π^+ efficiency, DNN gives 5 times better π^0 rejection while CNN and DenseNet give around 8 times improved rejection over $\mathscr{P}_{clus}^{\mathsf{EM}}$



Classifier Results



- Increasingly better performance at higher energies
- Not explicitly trained on energy variation in shower shape with energy enough to give good separation in every energy range

Regression Goals

- After identifying a pion as hadronic/EM, need to convert the signal into an energy measurement
- LCW calibration splits this over three steps: hadronic calibration, signal loss correction and dead material correction
- ML techniques may improve performance by better utilising cell information



Regression Results

- x-axis: true energy, y-axis: median response
- All networks showed greatly improved performance at low energy
- CNN diverges slightly at high energy



Regression Results

- x-axis: true energy, y-axis: half-width response IQR / median (resolution)
- Improved resolution at low energy
- Comparable resolution at high energy



Regression Results

- Mixed sample of π^+ and π^0 as approximation of real jets
- Again, much improved performance across all energy bins



Conclusion

- Neural networks to classify pions as charged or neutral great performance improvement over traditional methods
- Neural networks to perform energy calibration significant improvement in both energy scale and resolution for classified pion events
- Combining the two types of networks leads to some very promising results
- All of this possible by better leveraging the information contained in the shapes of showers as they pass through the various calorimeter layers

See the ATLAS public note for more details: https://cds.cern.ch/record/2724632?ln=en

Backup Slides

Dataset Details

- Single pion samples in barrel region ($|\eta| < 0.7$)
- Generate a 2D 'image' for each topo-cluster in each calorimeter layer (EMB1,2,3 and Tile1,2,3)
- x- and y-axes are the ϕ and η coordinates relative to the cluster centroid



Average Pion Images



• π^+ have slightly wider distributions, but difficult to see from just looking at the 'average' images

Average Difference Images



- Wider showers are associated with charged pions, smaller showers with neutral pions as expected
- Let's see how well the neural networks can leverage this information!

Classifier Correlation

- \bullet Pearson correlation between average π^0 image and CNN classifier score
- Width and depth of shower are important to the CNN, as expected



CNN Visualisation

- Visualisations of 'features' that the CNN has learned to look for
- Difficult to interpret, but generally captures the shape of showers in each layer
- Axes are in arbitrary units (related to cell index)

