

Theoretical physics, Machine Learning and Bioinformatics

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Outline

① QCD in a nutshell

- The fundamental interactions
- Exploring matter at the small scales
- Hadronic physics and the LHC

② Machine Learning for particle Physics

- The N3PDF project
- The HTurbo project

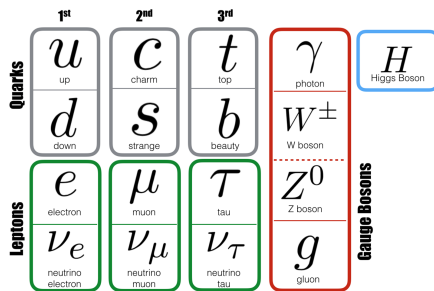
③ Bioinformatics

- Applying data sciences to life sciences

④ Summary

Quantum Chromodynamics in a nutshell

QCD in a nutshell



- 1 Fermions composing matter
- 2 Bosons mediating interactions
- 3 Scalar Higgs generating mass

QCD in a nutshell

Explore the strong interactions

How to explore proton's inner structure?

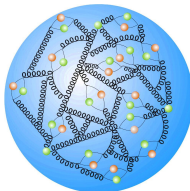


- Point-like projectile on the object \rightarrow DIS
- Smash the two objects \rightarrow LHC physics

"A way to analyze high energy collisions is to consider any hadron as a composition of point-like constituents \rightarrow **partons**" R.Feynman, 1969

QCD in a nutshell

Parton Distribution Functions



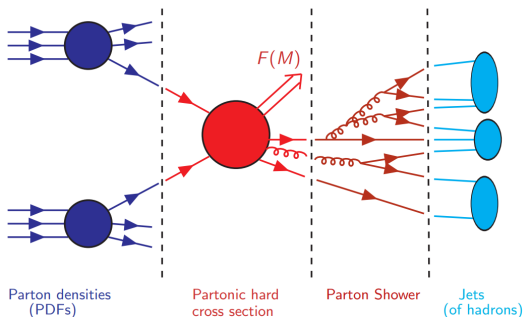
- Hadrons made of partonic objects \longrightarrow non perturbative physics
- Interactions take place only at partonic level

Parton Distribution Functions: probability distribution of finding a particular parton (u , d , ..., g) carrying a fraction x of the proton's momentum

QCD factorization in a nutshell

Factorization theorem

Hadronic Physics $h_1(p_1) + h_2(p_2) \rightarrow F + X$



Factorize process as **PDFs** and **partonic (hard) interaction**

$$\sigma^F(p_1, p_2) = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 f_{\alpha/h_1}(x_1, \mu_F^2) * f_{\beta/h_2}(x_2, \mu_F^2) * \hat{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta}^F(x_1 p_1, x_2 p_2, \alpha_s(\mu_R^2), \mu_F^2)$$

Machine Learning for particle Physics

The N3PDF project

General structure of n3fit

Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs) can not be predicted or measured

PDFs need to be extracted from data!



- Use TensorFlow and Keras to determine the PDFs
- Use Stochastic Gradient Descent **n3fit** replacing primitive genetic algorithms
- See paper by S.Carraza - J.Cruz-Martinez
"Towards a new generation of parton densities with deep learning models",
<https://arxiv.org/abs/1907.05075>

The HTurbo project

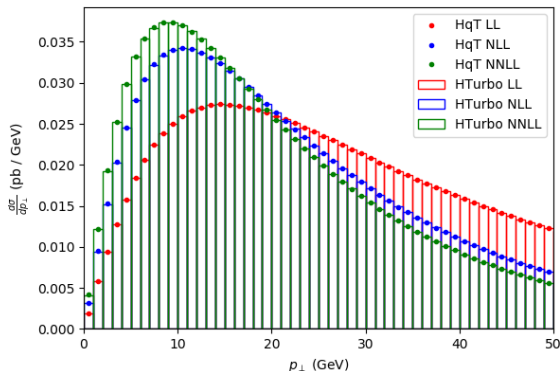
Comparison HRes and HqT - all orders

- Older codes (**HRes**, **HqT**) need 3 days to produce NNLL distribution
- 3 minutes with **HTurbo**! ✓
- Agreement up to NNLL \rightarrow ready for N^3LL

Bioinformatics

Results

Comparison HRes and HqT - all orders



- Python, C++, R
- Machine Learning
- R analysis, Rnseq, DNaseq

Summary & Conclusions

- ① Precise knowledge of PDFs and partonic cross sections are required towards the precision era of the LHC
- ② Machine Learning models provide a robust way for PDFs determination optimized through **operator implementation in TF**
- ③ We develop a numerical code **HTurbo**, implementing q_\perp resummation for Higgs boson production, which is **faster than any of the existing codes**
- ④ Next steps:
 - Validate results at NNLO
 - Include full **N³LO** prediction
 - Perform phenomenological studies comparing with LHC data

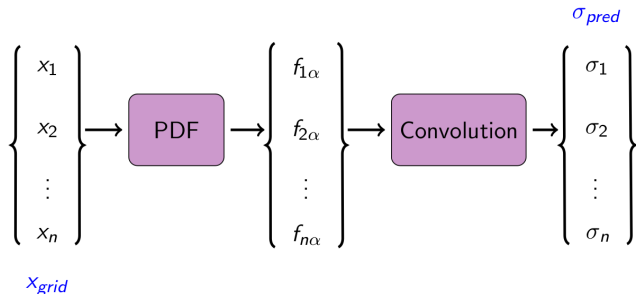
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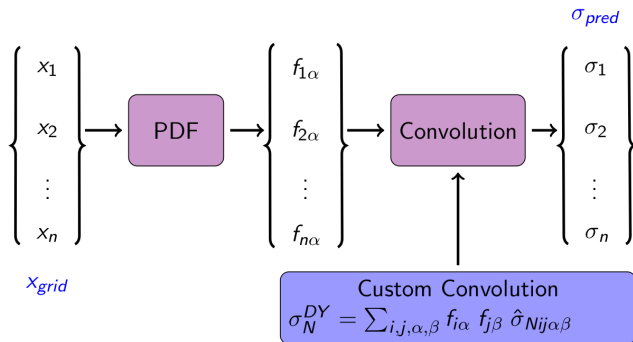
Operator implementation in TF



- Build a NN model to compute σ_{pred} observables from a grid x_i
- Perform χ^2 minimization comparing with data
- Update values of PDF \rightarrow Fit

The N3PDF project

Operator implementation in TF



- 1 TF relies in symbolic computation \rightarrow High memory usage
- 2 Implement c++ operator replacing the convolution
- 3 Further details in Urtasun-Elizari et al.

"Towards hardware acceleration for parton densities estimation",
<https://arxiv.org/abs/1909.10547>