CERN, Big Data ...e pandemie

Strumenti e metodi del Data Science al CERN e non solo

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Programma della lezione

- Il contesto
 - Cos'e' il CERN, l'LHC e i (Big)Data di Fisica (in inglese)
- Strumenti e metodi per l'analisi dei Big Data
 - 1. Python, Jupyter notebooks e librerie per *Data Science*
 - 2. Esempio: analisi e modello dell'evoluzione di una pandemia
 - 3. Estrapolazioni e considerazioni generali di statistica
- Domande & risposte

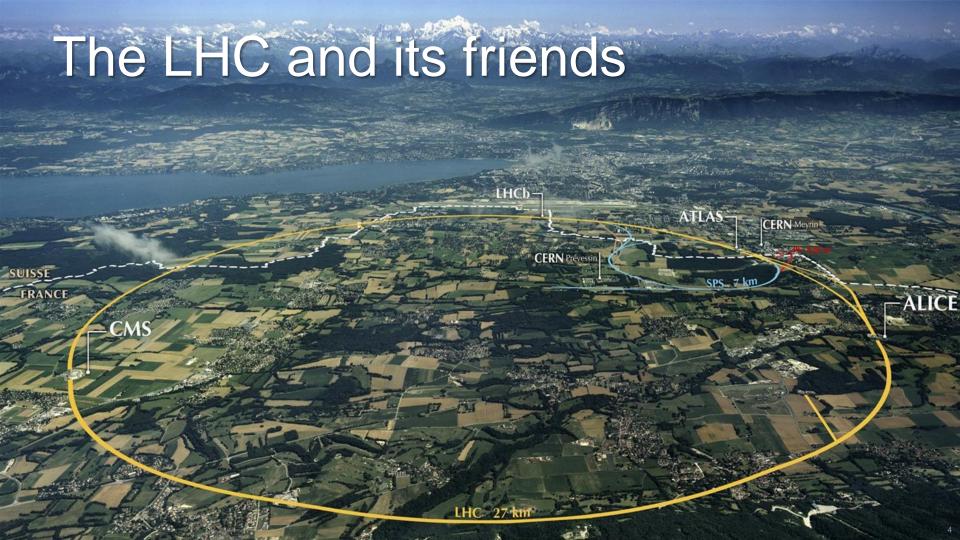


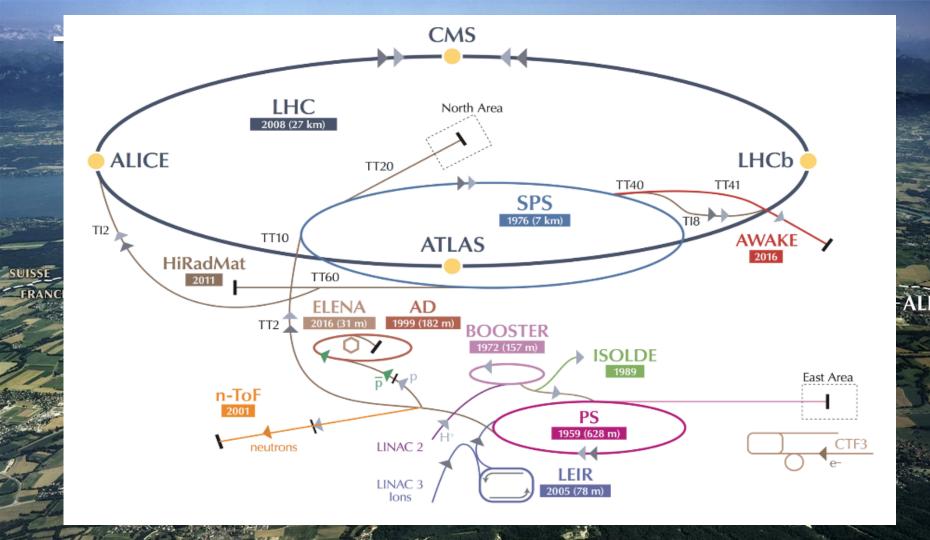




CERN in Numbers

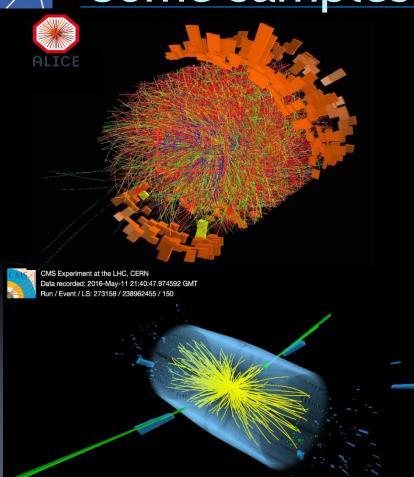
- 1954: foundation year, as an European Council.
- 23 Member States, 8 Associates, 4 Observers, UE + UNESCO...
- 50+ Non-member States collaborate with CERN
- 2300 staff members work at CERN as personnel,
 12 000 researchers come from institutes world-wide
- 1000 MEUR annual budget
- 5 Nobel Prizes (...6 with Englert & Higgs)

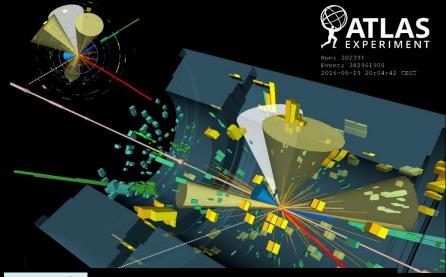


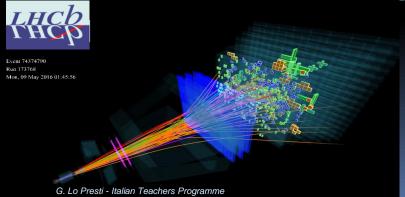




Some samples of what we see...

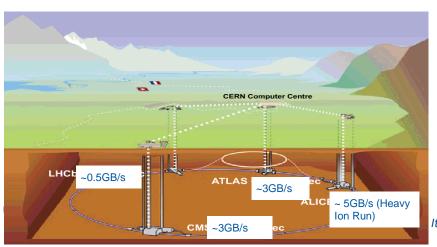


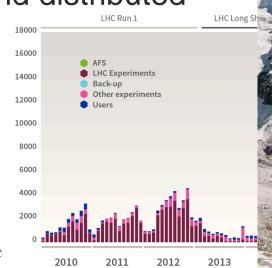




Data Processing

- Experiments send over 10 PB of data per
 - 115 PB from all experiments in 2018
- The LHC data is aggregated at the CERN be stored, processed, and distributed







Big Data?

- Big data is a field that treats of ways to analyse [...] or otherwise deal with data sets that are too large or complex to be dealt with by traditional data-processing application software (Wikipedia)
 - Moving target by definition!
- From structured data, relational DBs, centralized processing...
- ...To unstructured data and decentralized (i.e. parallel and loosely-coupled) processing, more adapted to the Cloud
 - E.g. trend analysis, pattern recognition, image segmentation, natural language interpretation/translation, ...



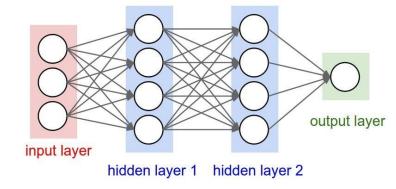


Big Data and Data Science

- The Power of Data: Neural Networks are well known since the 1990s, but it's only now with very large and easily accessible data sets that they become effective!
 - Lots of software frameworks for *Deep Machine Learning* with NNs coming up











Big Data at CERN

 Experiments have long used Machine Learning (once called Multi-Variate Analysis) techniques

- In recent years, Challenges (competitions)
 organized among students and young
 researchers to motivate ML research
 - BUT: in 2018, best results obtained without ML!
 - Nevertheless, the push from industry makes
 ML approaches attractive







Big Data and Future Experiments

- High Luminosity LHC: an upgrade of all LHC Experiments that increases data rates by more than 10x
- New Big Science experiments coming up:
 - LIGO-Virgo Gravitational Astronomy
 - Square Kilometer Array (SKA)
 - Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE)





- Time for further research, opportunity for new synergies
 - Increasing role of Machine Learning techniques
 - E.g. LIGO: real-time Gravitational Waves signal detection





End of the introduction Questions before the interactive part?



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