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## Higgs Boson Machine Learning Challenge

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### Data Files

File Name	Available Formats
random_submission	<a href="#">.zip (2.58 mb)</a>
training	<a href="#">.zip (16.89 mb)</a>
test	<a href="#">.zip (34.79 mb)</a>
HiggsBosonCompetition_AMSMetric_rev1	<a href="#">.py (3.15 kb)</a>

### File descriptions

- **training.csv** - Training set of 250000 events, with an ID column, 30 feature columns, a weight column and a label column.
- **test.csv** - Test set of 550000 events with an ID column and 30 feature columns.
- **random\_submission** - Sample submission file in the correct format. File format is described on the [Evaluation](#) page.
- **HiggsBosonCompetition\_AMSMetric** - Python script to calculate the competition evaluation metric.

For detailed information on the semantics of the features, labels, and weights, see the [technical documentation](#) from the [LAL website](#) on the task.

Some details to get started:

- all variables are floating point, except **PRI\_jet\_num** which is integer
- variables prefixed with **PRI** (for PRImitives) are “raw” quantities about the bunch collision as measured by the detector.
- variables prefixed with **DER** (for DERived) are quantities computed from the primitive features, which were selected by the physicists of ATLAS
- it can happen that for some entries some variables are meaningless or

cannot be computed; in this case, their value is  $-999.0$ , which is outside the normal range of all variables