Machine learning for data mining and performance optimization at the CERN Large Hadron Collider

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1 Abstract

The CERN particle accelerator complex generates around 2 TB of data per week from almost 1 million signals. In this dissertation, unsupervised machine learning techniques for applications such as clustering and anomaly detection shall be used to analyze past LHC data in order to visualize correlations, determine data driven models and identify opportunities for improving the LHC machine availability and performance reach.

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