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## [LIP Summer Projects 2018]

## Physics @ LHC:

Precision measurements 8 searches beyond the SM

#### Higgs Boson couplings to heavy quarks

- Top and bottom have largest quark couplings to Higgs
- First evidence last year
- Decay branching ratios:





#### PROJECT

Study advanced data analysis techniques to improve sensitivity to boosted Higgses!





High transverse momentum Higgs decays within one jet of particles
FIND JET SUBSTRUCTURE

### Higgs couplings: H -> 2 taus with ML

- "Strength" with which Higgs couples to fermions & bosons of SM
- Are Higgs couplings within the SM ? If not: Would show up in "details" of couplings: Measure couplings with best precision: Highest purity of Signal
- Promising decays of the Higgs: H -> 2 taus
- Train a multiclass NN with Keras: Use full information (1-D & 2-D): Optimally characterize signal versus several SM backgrounds





#### Di-Higgs searches with Machine Learning

- Flexible project dependent of students' experience and interests. Possible work:
- Use neural-networks to classify particle collisions to search for the rare process of di-Higgs production
- Improve estimation of particle kinematics using deep-learning regression
- Apply un-supervised clustering techniques to identify event categories
- Up to 2 students
- Up to 2 months: July-September
- Prior ML experience not required
- Some familiarity with python and Linux/MacOS useful



#### Higgs rare decays

- Study Higgs (and Z) boson rare decays
- These processes are rare in the standard model, sensitive to new physics
- Search conducted with LHC data collected by the CMS experiment
- Observation would allow to measure quark Yukawa couplings (Hqq) --> to test whether the observed particle is the SM Higgs
- Z is benchmark for Higgs analogous process
- Up to 2 students
- Up to 2 months: July-September



#### Rare beauty decays

- The golden rare decays of neutral B mesons to a muon pair constitute a flagship LHC physics process
- It is highly sensitive to physics scenarios beyond the standard model
- The student will join the analysis team pursuing the study of this rare decay at LIP using recent LHC data
- The project will involve the characterizaiton and separation of competing physics processes.
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#### Tests of lepton universality in top-quark pair decays

- Lepton Universality: all leptons (electron, muon, tau) interact at exactly the same rate with other particles
- Current measurement of W decays to tau lepton with respect to other leptons shows a deviation from the hypothesis
- Precise measurement can be done in the large set of LHC events with top-quark pair decay
- Join the development of the measurement in the CMS group of LIP

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$0.961 \!\pm\! 0.061$	980	<sup>42</sup> АВВОТТ	<b>00</b> D	D0	$E_{ m cm}^{p\overline{p}}=$ 1.8 TeV
$0.94 \pm 0.14$	179	<sup>43</sup> ABE	92E	CDF	$E_{ m cm}^{p\overline{p}}$ = 1.8 TeV
$1.04 \ \pm 0.08 \ \pm 0.08$	754	<sup>44</sup> ALITTI	92F	UA2	$E_{\rm cm}^{p\overline{p}}$ = 630 GeV
$1.02\ \pm 0.20\ \pm 0.12$	32	ALBAJAR	89	UA1	$E_{ m cm}^{p\overline{p}}$ = 546,630 GeV
$\bullet$ $\bullet$ We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. $\bullet$ $\bullet$					
$0.995\!\pm\!0.112\!\pm\!0.083$	198	ALITTI	91C	UA2	Repl. by ALITTI 92F
$1.02\ \pm 0.20\ \pm 0.10$	32	ALBAJAR	87	UA1	Repl. by ALBAJAR 89



# Search for exclusive top production with PPS

- Top: produced from scattering of proton constituents but, in very rare occasions, can be produced without dissociation from the proton:
- a. Never observed before
- b. Sensitive to anomalous couplings
- c. Potential for a mass measurement with high statistics
- Join the search during this summer using data collected by CMS @ 13 TeV



Outgoing protons can be reconstructed in the PPS detector system (>200m away from CMS)