Using Machine Learning techniques to determine the impact parameter of collisions in the CBM experiment

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Major collaborations

Applications of AI/DL/ML in fundamental research:

• ErUM data

- DL for CBM experiment
- NA61/SHINE
 - Project "Deep learning for fast TPC data processing"
- Xidian-FIAS International Joint Research Centre
 - Long term center founded in 2019 to research for AI in natural and life sciences

• FIAS-SCNU Guangzhou

- Planned research center on physics related topics, with focus on High Intensity heavy ion Accelerator Facility (HIAF).
- FIAS Huzhou University
 - Collaboration on physics with focus on HIAF
- More to come...

Impact parameter (b) determination in HIC

- 'b' is not directly measurable
- Final state observables carry this information
 - eg: charged track multiplicity, spectator energy etc...

Model an observable	Define centrality classes	Find event centrality from the observable	
Track multiplicity ↓ Glauber model	Central events → Large multiplicity Peripheral events →Small Multiplicity	Makes a broad classification of events	

• We only extract the 'likely' distribution of b (mean and variance) for all events in a centrality bin

'b' spread for Glauber model vs. UrQMD Au+Au @ 10 AGeV



• The likely 'b' distribution depends on the model used!



• The accuracy in 'b' determination is limited by the spread of the observable used

DL in High Energy Physics

• DL/ ML models are extensively used in experimental HEP

- Estimation of observables
- Track reconstruction
- Particle identification
- Identification or rare process
- And more...
- Several studies have also shown b reconstruction using ML
 - Using event generator output
 - Simplified detector definitions
 - Highly processed data

Can DL methods be used to determine the impact parameter of a collision in CBM experiment from raw experimental output?



DL model for b reconstruction

• Experimental data: tracks or hits of particles

- Each particle is a point in a point cloud
- The order of input shouldn't affect the output





- 3D Voxels map
 - voluminous!
- Pointcloud: Unordered 2D array of (x,y,z) coordinates (or other point attributes) of each point
 - Efficient representation for higher dimensions



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Pointnet-based DL models

• Pointnet: Deep learning model for point clouds

- Unordered
- Invariant to transformations



• We have developed pointnet based models which can reconstruct b from 4 different kinds of data

Models

01	M-hits	•	(x,y,z) of all Hits in MVD
02	S-hits	•	(x,y,z) of all hits in STS
03	MS-tracks	•	(x,y,z,dx/dz,dy/dz,q/P) of all tracks in first and last plane from MVD+ STS
04	HT-combi	•	Hits from MVD and tracks from MVD+STS
05	Polyfit (non-ML baselin	e)	Third order polynomial fit to multiplicity vs. impact parameter curve

Results: relative precision



 σ_{err} = standard deviation of error in predictions (err= true-predicted)

- Quantifies precision in predictions
- Polyfit fails for central events!
- Similar precision for b>3 fm

However, the predictions are accurate only if the mean error is close to zero!

Mean error vs. b



- Quantifies accuracy in predictions
- DL models have mean error between
 -0.3 and 0.2 fm for b= 2- 14 fm
- Polyfit is highly fluctuating
- All models are less accurate for peripheral events

Mean error vs. centrality



- Data: b=0-16 fm, 1 million events , bdb distribution
- Simulates the realistic b distribution in experiments
- Different from the b distribution of training data
- 5% Centrality bins defined on STS track multiplicity
- DL models have mean error close to zero for most centrality classes

Testing on different physics



- Increased Urqmd pion production cross section
 - Delta baryon absorption decreased by factor of 2
 - Notable for central collisions
- The increased pion production is reflected in mean multiplicity change
 - Difference= New data Old data

Shift in mean error



- Testing models on modified urqmd data
- Correlation with multiplicity change is visible
- DL models are less dependent than Polyfit especially at central collisions



Model	Speed (events/ s)
M-hits	660
S-hits	159
MS-tracks	1092
HT-combi	435

- Tested on a Nvidia Geforce RTX 2080 Ti card with a graphics processing memory of 12 GB
- More room for optimization

Summary

The deep learning models outperforms conventional methods for impact parameter determination

- Reconstruct the impact parameter on an event by event basis
- Prediction speed upto 1000 events/ s on single GPU
 - Real time analysis of collected data
- Reconstruct the impact parameter using the hit information alone
 - ➢ Run time AI event selector
 - Detect faults in detector during data taking
- Robust to small changes in physics model in comparison to conventional models
- General framework which can be used for other tasks (e.g. flow extraction)

A paper based on this work is available at arXiv:2009.01584

Backup slides

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General structure of Mhits, Shits and MStracks models



Structure of HT-combi model