

THESIS MIDTERM

Topological trigger
Search for Heavy Higgs Bosons
Teaching, Supervision, Outreach
Schools, Conferences
Outlook

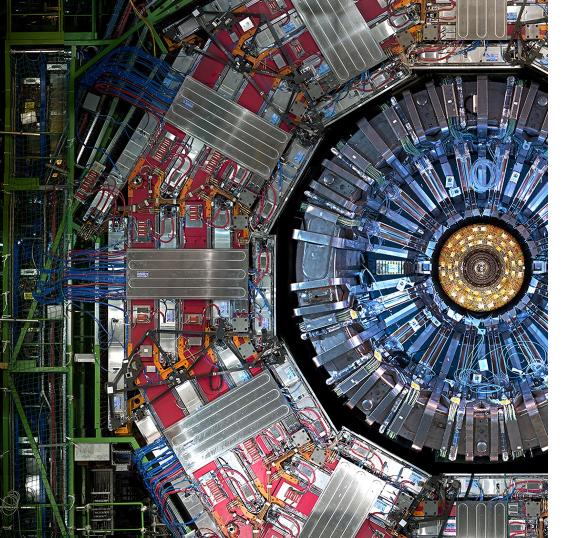




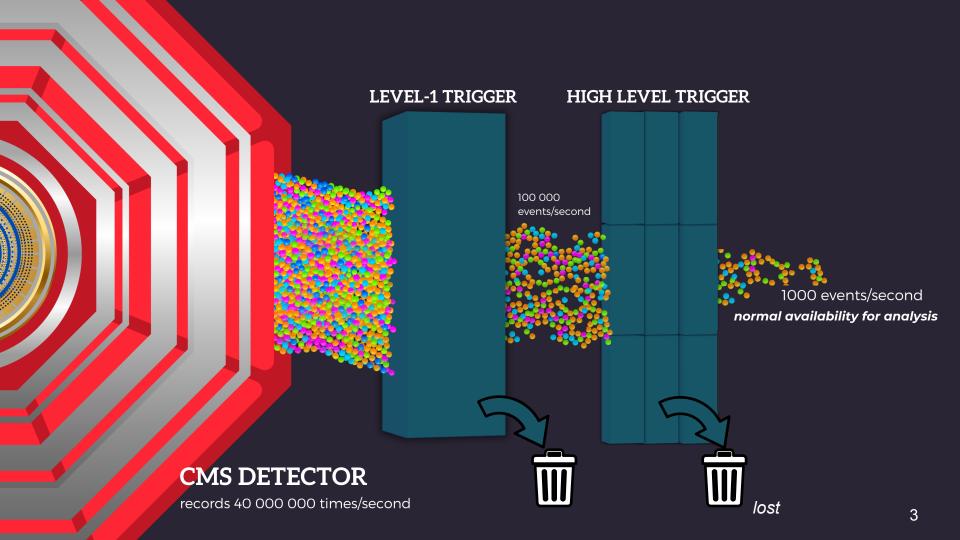




Gefördert durch:



TOPOLOGICAL TRIGGER

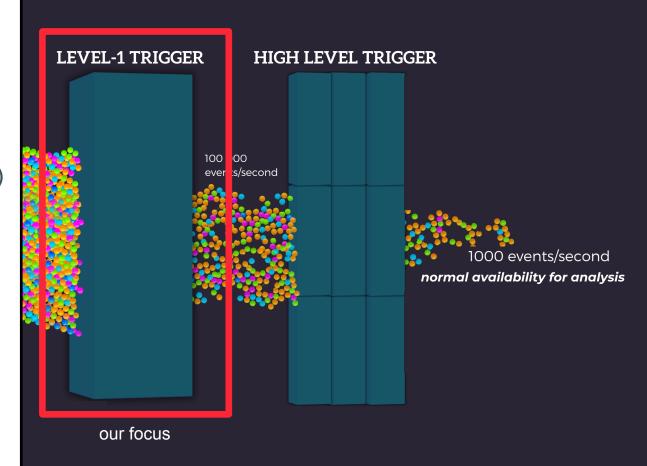


level-1 system

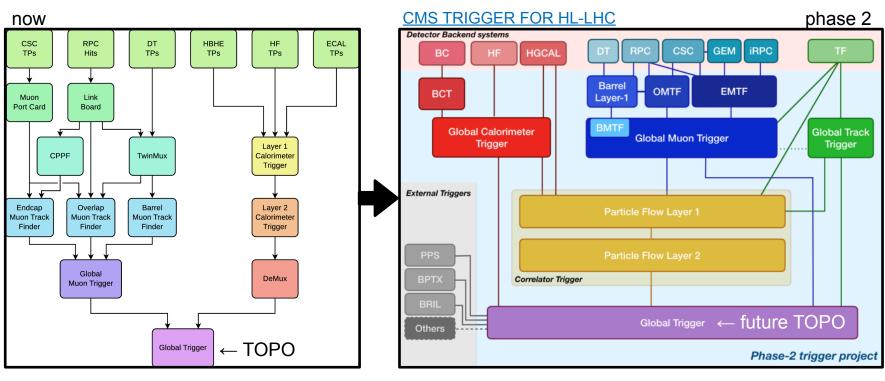
classic trigger algorithms
cut on single object
properties (e.g. momentum)

multivariate techniques optimally combine multiple object information

fully implemented on hardware



L1 during phase two

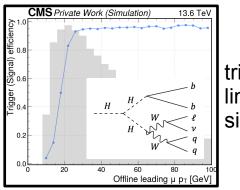


trigger primitives, 3.8 us total latency, 100 kHz rate, 7 FPGA boards

particle flow objects, 12 us total latency, 750 kHz rate, 12 FPGA boards

architecture - baseline

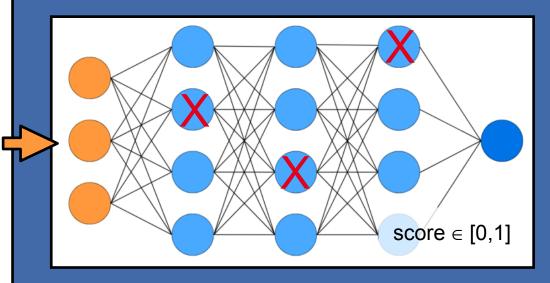
object	variable
L1 EtSum	H _T
L1 EG/Mu (x2)	ρ _T , η, φ
L1 jets (x4)	ρ _T , η, φ



trigger limited signal

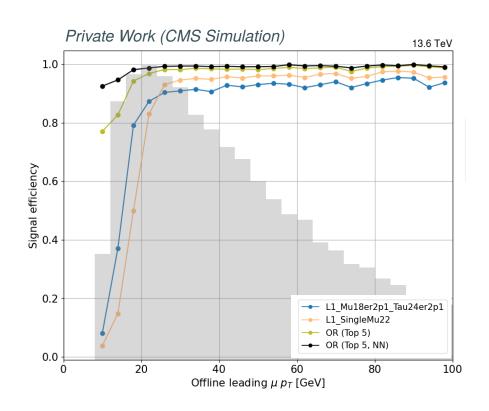
background minimal bias events

nodes: 64 ⊕ 32 ⊕ 32



- feed-forward binary classifier
- cross-entropy loss function
- 80% pruning of smallest weights

access to low p_T space



logic or: top 5

→ 95% efficiency at about **20 GeV**

logic or: top 5 + NN

→ 95% efficiency at about **16 GeV**

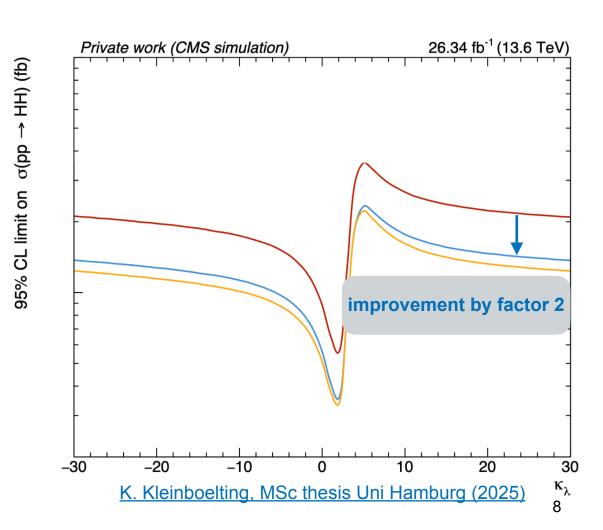
analysis impact

test in full analysis chain

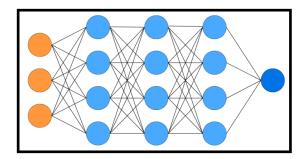
current strategy single lepton trigger path

topological trigger assuming HLT is 100% efficient → to do list

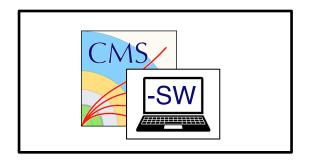
passthrough assuming 100% tigger efficiency / unlimited bandwidth

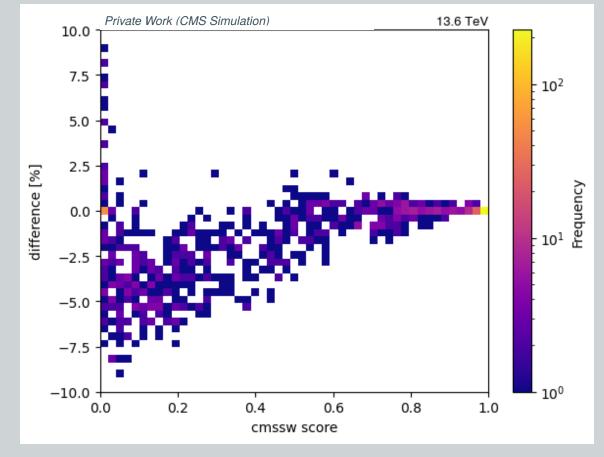


next: 11 menu



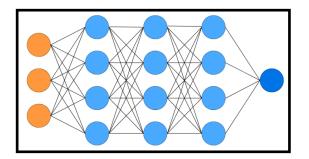
level-1 menu emulator



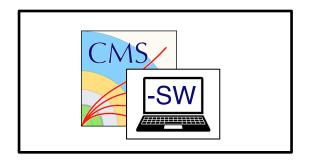


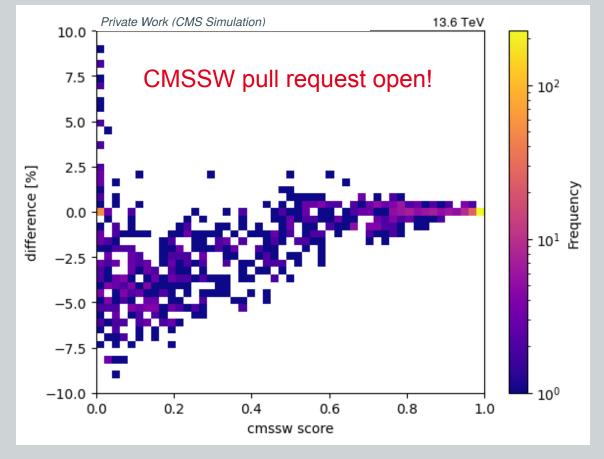
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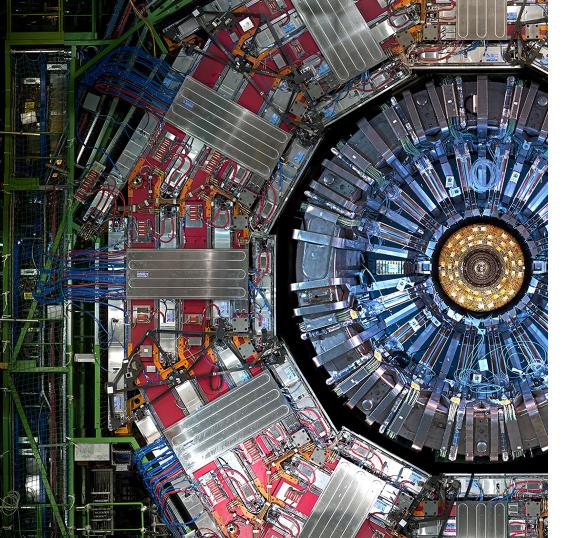


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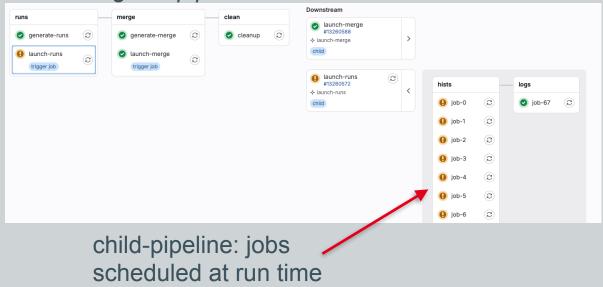
SERVICE WORK

automation framework

check twice per day:

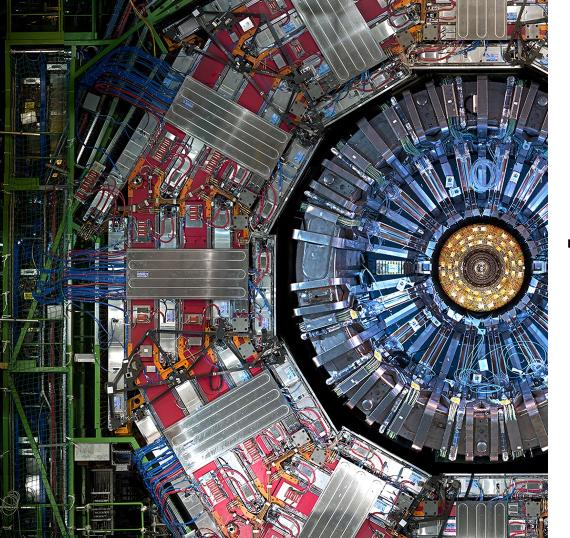


based on gitlab pipelines:

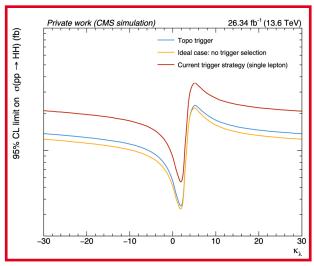


5 + 1 EPR (shifts) ⇒ authorship since September



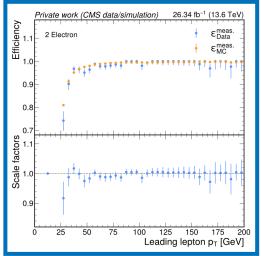


SUPERVISION TEACHING OUTREACH



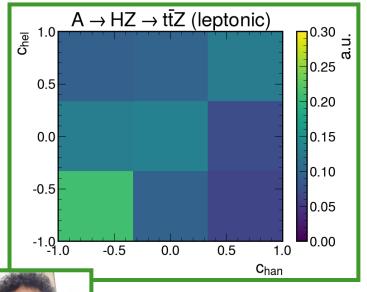
Karla Kleinbölting: Master thesis on topological trigger

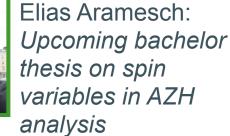




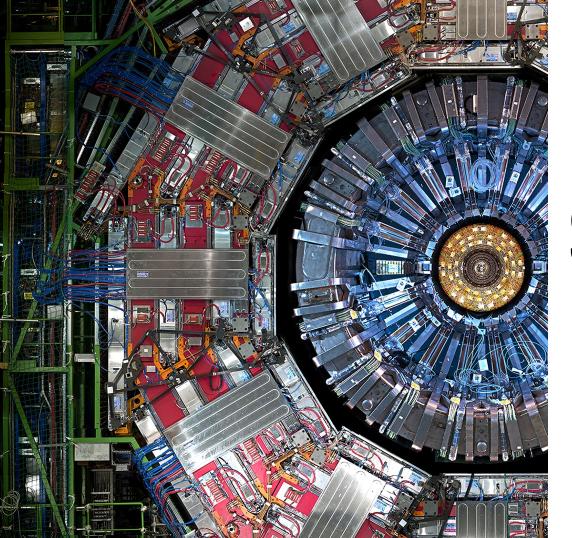


Balduin Letzer: Master thesis on di-Higgs analysis, Trigger efficiencies

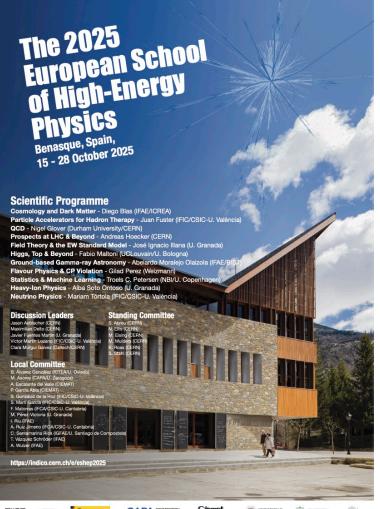




in addition: Physics 5 exercises, HEP Masterclasses



SUMMARY OUTLOOK



schools and conferences

CMSDAS at CERN

HEP School in Bad Honnef (formerly Maria Laach)

FSP Meeting Aachen

Level-1 Trigger Workshop in Oviedo

Talk at FSP Meeting Hamburg

ESHEP in Benasque























my contributions

- automised plotting for offline trigger shifters
- shifts at point 5, cms authorship
- implemented **cmssw emulator** for topological trigger
- assisted in supervising Karla and Balduin
- supervision of Elias (and Lucas)
- exercises physics 5 + masterclasses

outlook 2026

supervision: bachelor student working on BDT based topological trigger

CERN stay ~ 1/2 year, trigger on-call?

Commissioning of **topological trigger** in data taking 2026

overtake **AZH** analysis from Yannick

discussion points

Is the thesis on the right track?

