Deep Learning Application to the Analysis of Rare Top Decay t->sW at the LHC

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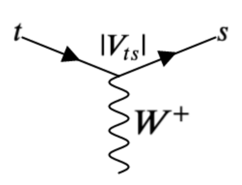
Introduction

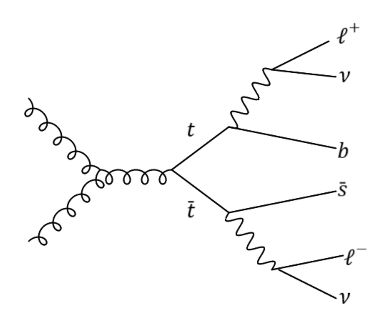
- The Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa (CKM) matrix describes the flavor-changing charged weak interaction
- Identification of a strange jet originating from top quark decays (t→sW) is an important task to achieve a direct measurement of $|V_{ts}|$ [1, 2]
- We propose a novel deep learning model based on the Self-Attention mechanism to find the jets decaying from the t→sW decay in the top pair production with dilepton final state



$$|V_{CKM}| = \begin{pmatrix} |V_{ud}| & |V_{us}| & |V_{ub}| \\ |V_{cd}| & |V_{cs}| & |V_{cb}| \\ |V_{td}| & \underline{|V_{ts}|} & |V_{tb}| \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0.97435 & 0.22500 & 0.00369 \\ 0.22486 & 0.97349 & 0.04182 \\ 0.00857 & \underline{0.04110} & 0.999118 \end{pmatrix}$$

Analysis Setup

- Sample generation
  - Our signal process is $t\bar{t} \rightarrow sWbW$, where both W bosons decay into leptons (e, μ)
  - Our dominant background process is $t\bar{t} \rightarrow bWbW$, we also produce Drell-Yan+jj, Single Top, and diboson processes
  - Samples are generated using MadGraph5_aMC@NLO and PYTHIA 8, followed by simulating the CMS-like detector response with Delphes 3



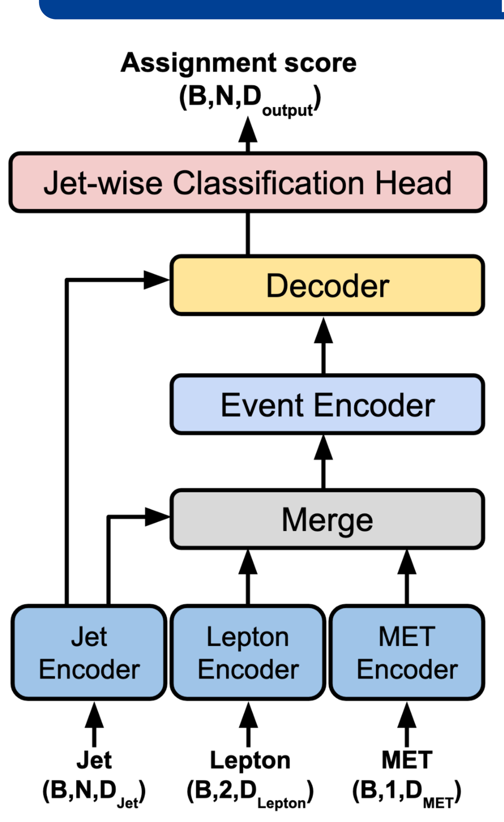
- Selection for Top pair production with dilepton final state events

Electron	Muon	Jet
$p_T \geq 25(20)$*	$p_T \geq 25(20)$*	$p_T \geq 30$
$\lvert\eta\rvert \leq 1.442,\ 1.566 \leq \lvert\eta\rvert \leq 2.4$	$\lvert\eta\rvert \leq 2.4$	$\lvert\eta\rvert \leq 2.4$
Isolation > 0.12	Isolation > 0.15	Δ R (j, l) > 0.4

* leading / sub-leading lepton

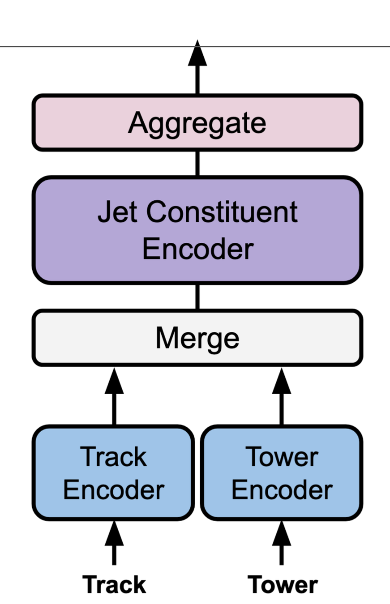
- Event selection
  - Two leptons with opposite charge, $M_{ll} > 20$ GeV
  - Veto Z boson ($|M_Z - M_{ll}| > 15$ GeV), $p_T^{miss} > 40$ GeV in (ee / $\mu\mu$) channel
  - At least 2 jets, Number of b-tagged jets < 2

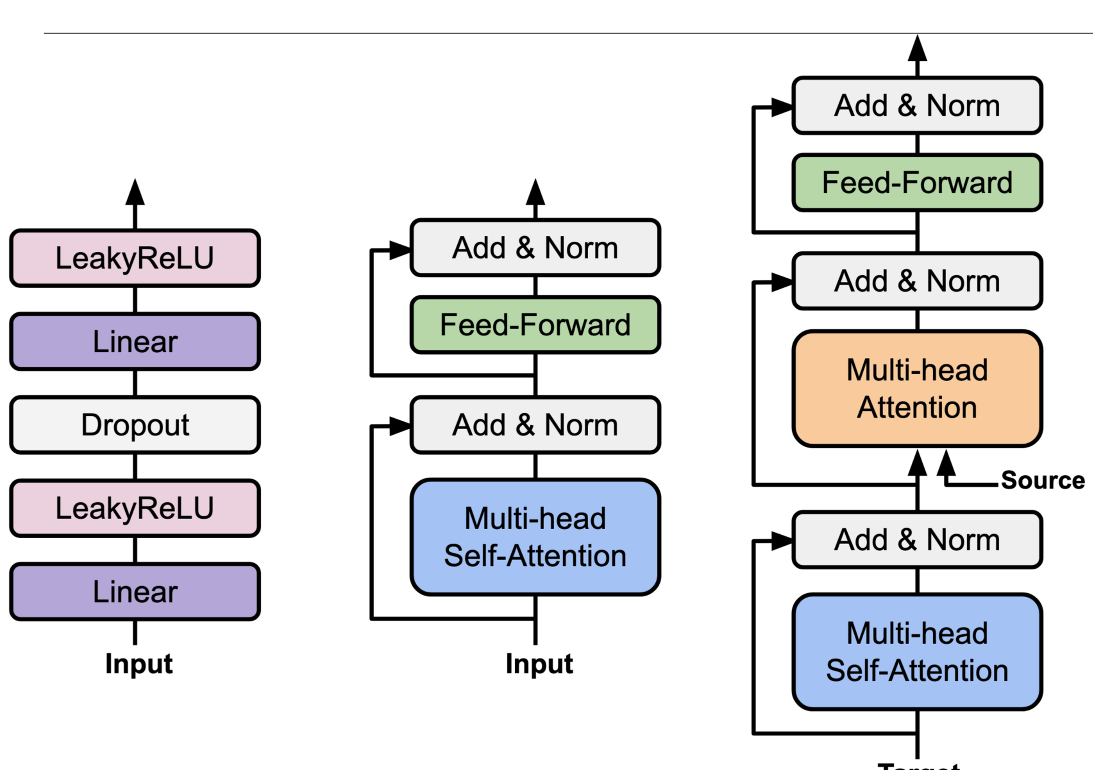
SAJA-Dilepton Model



- We modified the Self-Attention for Jet Assignment (SAJA) model [3] for dilepton events
- Object encoder blocks deal with multi-modal inputs
- Information of objects that are sent to the same latent space are combined in the merge block
- The event encoder takes the output of the merge block and calculates their relationship using a self-attention mechanism
- The decoder block receives the output of the event encoder and jet encoder and derives the role of jets in events
- Jet-wise classification head outputs categorical scores for jets in events

- Jet properties can be derived from jet constituent
  - We can calculate known properties such as number of particles in jet, jet shape, and fragmentation function of jet
  - These high-level features don't capture all information from the constituent
- We propose a model that can take jet constituents
  - The graph on the right can replace jet encoder of the SAJA-Dilepton model





- Left: Feed-forward block
  - Object encoders are feed-forward block
- Middle: Self-Attention block
  - The event encoder and jet constituent encoder are self-attention block
- Right: Decoder block
- In the self-attention block and Decoder block, Dropout is employed for the output of each sublayer

Model Training

- For the training $t\bar{t} \rightarrow sWbW$(signal) and $t\bar{t} \rightarrow bWbW$ (background) are used
  - Targets for signal sample, t→s parton matched events are used
- The task of the SAJA-Dilepton model is a jet-wise classification of events
  - The task is specified by using jet-wise cross-entropy loss
- Training variables
  - Jet: Momentum components, particle multiplicities, jet shape, energy sharing variable [4], b tagging information, jet charge
  - lepton: momentum components, flavor, charge
  - p_T^{miss}, azimuthal angle ϕ of p_T^{miss}
  - Jet constituents: Momentum components of particle, a difference of η and ϕ between particle and jet axis, p_T of particle relative to jet p_T, p_T perpendicular to jet axis, p_T perpendicular to jet axis, impact parameter value, charge, EM, hadronic energy

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} J^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ J^{(N)} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} L^{(1)} \\ L^{(2)} \\ p_T^{\mathrm{miss}} \end{pmatrix} \right\} \rightarrow \mathrm{Model} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} y^{(1)}_{t\rightarrow s} & y^{(1)}_{t\rightarrow b} & y^{(1)}_{other} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ y^{(N)}_{t\rightarrow s} & y^{(N)}_{t\rightarrow b} & y^{(N)}_{other} \end{pmatrix}$$

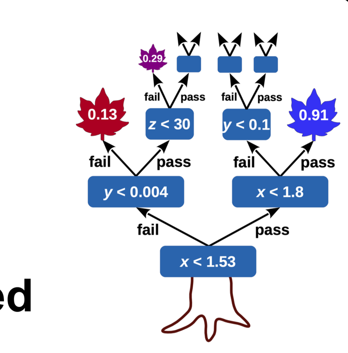
A simple diagram of model input and output structure for an event

$$L(\theta) = \frac{1}{N}\sum_{j=1}^{N}\left(y^{(j)}_{t\rightarrow s}\log\hat{y}^{(j)}_{t\rightarrow s} + y^{(j)}_{t\rightarrow b}\log\hat{y}^{(j)}_{t\rightarrow b} + y^{(j)}_{other}\log\hat{y}^{(j)}_{other}\right)$$

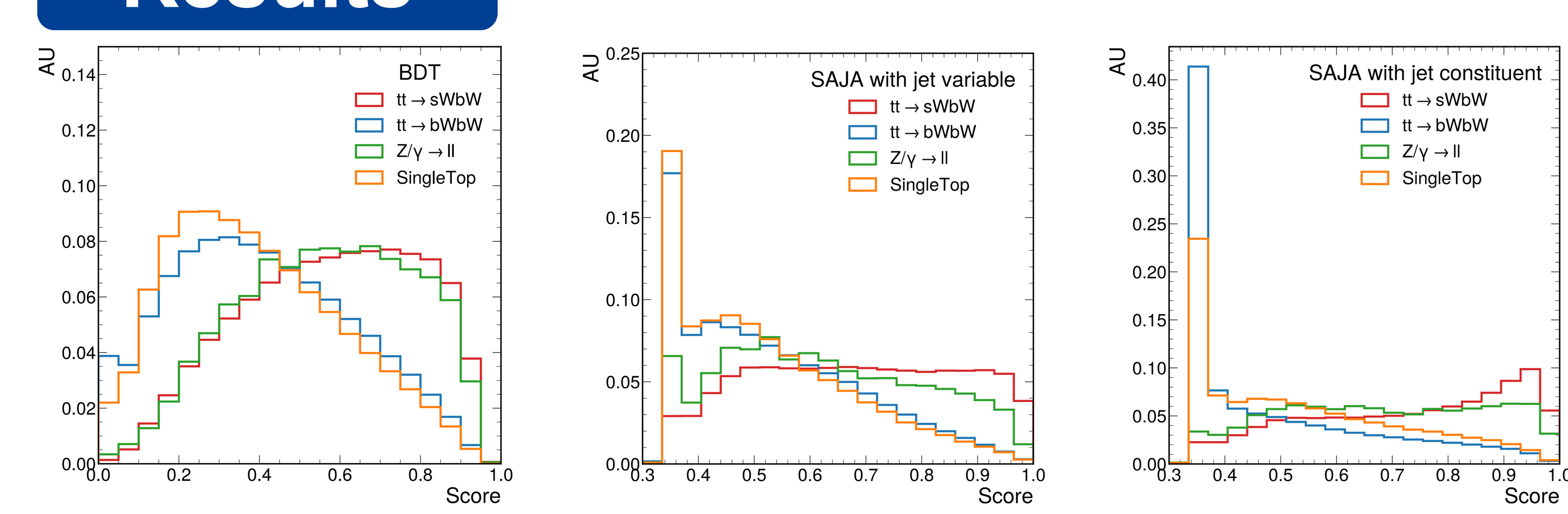
Jet-wise cross-entropy loss

Baseline

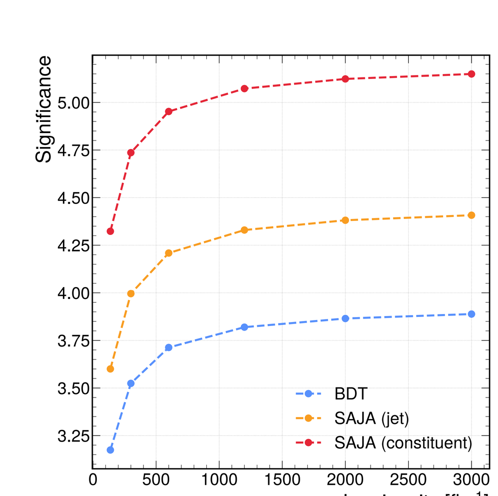
- Boosted Decision Trees (BDT) model is used as a baseline
- For the implementation of BDT, the XGBoost library is used
- BDT is trained to classify jets from t→sW decay jet-wisely
- Jet variables listed in training of SAJA-Dilepton model are used



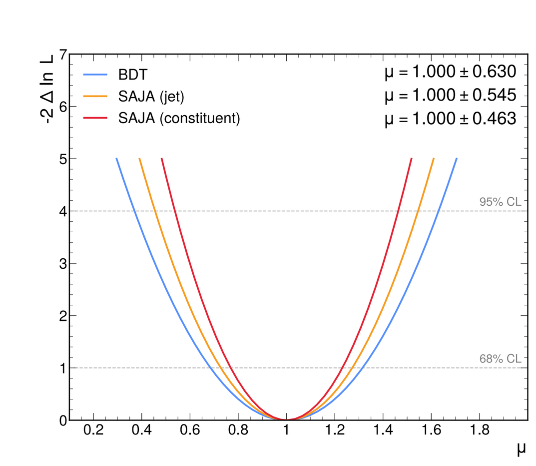
Results



- We use t→s score of models to discriminate signal and backgrounds
- Score distribution is used as input to the binned likelihood fit
- Expected limits and significances are calculated with a toy dataset (Asimov)
- Only MC statistics error is considered as a systematic



Expected significance of excluding scenarios with $|V_{ts}| = 0$



Expected negative log-likelihood scan as a function of the signal strength (μ)

- Expected significances are obtained from Run 2 to HL-LHC luminosities with lumi projection
- Expected limits are calculated with Run 2 luminosity
- We obtained expected limits of $0.0221 < |V_{ts}| < 0.0601$ @ 95% CL with SAJA-Dilepton using jet constituent model

Conclusion

- We introduced the models using self-attention mechanism that can apply to various types of input objects
- We compared SAJA-Dilepton models with the baseline model and SAJA-Dilepton models show better performance
- In this study, we can exclude scenarios with $|V_{ts}| = 0$ up to a significance level of ~4.25 σ at the LHC Run 2 luminosity, considering MC statistics only

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