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The SMARTHEP ETN

- EU Horizon funded training network running until late 2025
- 12 Early Stage Researches (ESRs) across Europe
- 18 institutes involved, including:
 - **10 Universities**
 - 3 Research institutes
 - 5 Industry partners

The aim: bring together the tools and expertise of Real-Time Analysis (RTA)

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The SMARTHEP ETN

The problem: too much data and not enough time to process it!

HEP problem Large amounts of data to be processed immediately



LHCb Run 3 Dataflow, LHCB-FIGURE-2020-016

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e.g. LHC event triggering

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Industry problem **Detailed results** required with short time-to-insight

Two sides of the same coin



e.g. real-time vehicle monitoring

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Early Stage Researchers

partner university*

HEP secondment with research institute/second partner university

Typically ~6 months

HEP goals Results and tools for use in HEP

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ESR enrolled as doctoral student at

3 years (2022-2025)

Industry secondment with partners using **RTA** "in-the-field"

Typically 3 - 4 months

Industry goals

Software and expertise in industry

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Secondments

- Each ESR has two associated secondments (1 industrial, 1 academic)
- Academic secondments allow ESRs to explore broader range of topics
 - Exchange of ESRs between universities facilitates exchange of ideas
- Industry secondments match industry technologies to ESR expertise
 - Example: industrial secondment at Lightbox 💈
 - Completed by ESRs Sofia Cella and Leon Bozianu (UniGe + ATLAS)
 - 3 month secondment working on market analysis
 - Project on using ML to inform financial strategies
 - Makes use of ESR experience in using ML to analyse time-series data

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Network events

- Annual meeting
 - Nov. '22 in Manchester 😹, Nov. '23 in Lund 🃁, ~Oct. '24 in Milan 💶
 - Training integrated into annual meeting:
 - Review paper writing workshop in 2022
 - Presentation and visualisation training in 2023
- Network schools (next slide)
- Training courses:
 - C++ course at University of Manchester
 - Collaboration with HSF + Swift-HEP 🔝

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Network schools

- SMARTHEP School on Collider Physics & Machine Learning (UniGe, Jan. 2023)
 - Introduction to particle physics (Torbjörn Sjöstrand)
 - Introduction to LHC physics (Anna Sfyrla)
 - Statistics and machine learning (Maurizio Pierini)
 - Evening seminars on multi-messenger astronomy (Teresa Montaruli) and the CERN experimental programme (Jamie Boyd)
- Planned schools:
 - Training on Edge ML at University of Geneva coming in September 2024
 - More to be planned for 2025... 👀

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Conclusion

- Network approaches training from several angles:
 - Secondments → real-world experience, often outside of ESR's day-to-day focus
 - Provide ESRs with insight in industry and industry with ESR expertise
 - Network events \rightarrow integrate training into annual network meetings -
 - Supplemented by additional training sessions in between
 - Network schools \rightarrow dedicated meetings for developing ESR key knowledge -
 - Schools enable development across broader details of topics
- Open question: how can we increase cross-talk with HSF training?

Thank you for your attention

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Real-Time Analysis

The problem: too much data and not enough time to process it!



... or how to drink from a firehose C. Fitzpatrick, Mar. 2017

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A handful of our ESRs

ESR

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HEP secondment Industry secondment CN

Automated decision-making for fraud detection, collaboration detecting anomalies/patterns to classify HEP observations.

> verizon connect BICOCCA

Real-time dark photon candidate selection at LHCb, collaboration

processing vehicle video and sensor data in real-time.





Online calibration of ALICE time-projection chamber, collaboration with Ximantis monitoring/forecasting traffic information in real-time.

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