### Quantum Machine Learning for Data Analysis in HEP



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### Roadmap of the talk

**★** Why, What, When Quantum Machine Learning?

**★** Parameterized Quantum Circuits as Machine

**Learning Models** 

**★** Applications in Analysis of HEP Data

**★** Barren plateaus, and how to avoid them?

**★** Is Quantum Advantage the Right Goal for QML?



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QCs can naturally solve certain problems with complex relations between inputs that can be incredibly hard for traditional, or "classical", computers. This suggest that learning models made on QC may be dramatically powerful for select applications, potentially boasting faster computation, better generalization on less data, or both.



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- Chemical simulation
- Quantum matter
   simulation
- Quantum control
- Quantum networks
- Quantum metrology

### Quantum Machine Learning – The Power of Data

#### ★ Very unlikely that QML will

beat ML performance on

classical data.

- ★ Data generated by a quantum circuit that is hard to simulate classically is not necessarily hard to learn for a classical model.
- ★ Datasets that are hard for classical models and easy for quantum models to learn do exist.



#### Type of algorithm

Understanding when a QC can help in a ML task depends not only on the task, but also on the data available, and a complete understanding of this must include both [\*].

[\*] Huang, HY., Broughton, M., Mohseni, M. et al. "*Power of data in quantum machine learning*," Nat Commun 12, 2631 (2021). https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-021-22539-9

### Quantum Machine Learning in the NISQ Era

- ★ Motivated by access to **cloud-based** processors and commercial applications.
- ★ Developed for deployment on NISQ devices.
  - o Few qubits,
  - o Noisy,
  - Low gate fidelity.
- ★ Applications in Quantum Machine Learning (QML) spurred by the release of Xanadu's PennyLane / Google's Tensorflow.

★ Co-design:

- Algorithmic development/research is adapting to match the pace of hardware development.
- ★ Hybrid frameworks to leverage benefits of both classical and quantum computing - *variational quantum circuits*.





In both cases, learning describes the process of iteratively updating the model's parameters towards a goal

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Parameterized Quantum Circuit

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- 1. Start from a feature vector **x**.
- 2. <u>Optional:</u> dimensionality reduction, PCA, etc.
- 3. Quantum embedding through a quantum feature map: *Basis embedding, amplitude embedding.*



Post-processing

- $\left\{ \left\langle M_{k} \right\rangle_{\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right\}_{k=1}^{K} \\
  f\left( \left\{ \left\langle M_{k} \right\rangle_{\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right\}_{k=1}^{K} \right) \\$
- Havlicek, et al, arXiv:1804.11326
- ★ Schuld, Killoran, arXiv:1803.07128
- ★ Lloyd, Schuld, et al, arXiv:2001.03622

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The "guess" or trial function is the unitary U parameterized by a set of free parameters  $\theta$  that will be updated during training.

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Quantum information is turned back into classical information by evaluating the expectation value of an observable, or measurement.

The measurement output is then used to construct a decision function, a probability distribution, a boundary, etc.

### Applications





Quantum machine learning models for supervised learning and kernel methods are based on a similar principle.

A high-level overview, for more details check references: *arXiv:2101.11020*, *Phys. Rev. Lett. 122*, 040504 (2019), *Nature. vol. 567*, pp. 209-212 (2019)









#### Input Space

**Feature Space** 

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Feature Space

**Construct a kernel matrix of the form** 







(c) Models trained on 16 selected features of the input space according to their individual AUC values.

"Higgs analysis with quantum classifiers", Belis, Gonzalez-Castillo, et al., arXiv:2104.07692 (2021)

"Application of Quantum Machine Learning Using the Quantum Kernel Algorithm on High-Energy Physics Analysis at the LHC", Wu, Sun, Guan, et al., arXiv:2104.05059 (2021)

Signal/background classification problem on 6 qubit QSVM

**Table 1** Average results from 10 random dataset samples obtained by classically simulating various encoding circuits using Qiskit *statevec-tor\_simulator* with 60,000 training events and 10,000 testing events in each sample

Encoding circuit	Accuracy	AUC
Combinatorial encoding	0.762	0.822
Separate particle encoding	0.776	0.835
Bloch sphere encoding	0.764	0.836
Separate particle with bloch	0.771	0.848
Classical RBF kernel SVM	0.728	0.793
XGBoost	0.590	0.621

The uncertainty on each of the mean values stated is  $\pm 0.001$ 

"Quantum Support Vector Machines for Continuum Suppression in B meson Decays", Heredge, Hill, Hollenberg, Sevior, Computing and Software for Big science (2021) 5:27

#### Supernovae classification with QSVM at Google's Sycamore processor



"Machine Learning of high-dimensional data on a noisy quantum processor", Peters, Caldeira, Ho, et al., npj Quantum Information (2021) 7:161

#### On Kernel-based Quantum Models...

- ★ Kernel methods are essentially based on feature maps that allow for *classification on a higher-dimensional space*.
- ★ Quantum machine learning models based on kernel methods might provide an advantage when the kernel is hard to estimate classically.
  - ★ But... the efficiency of kernel-based methods compared to variational circuits depends on the number of parameters used in a variational model.
  - ★ Meaning that for specific applications, if the number of parameters scales linearly, most likely your application is better suited for a VQC.



Checkout PennyLane tutorial on "Kernel-based training of a quantum models with scikitlearn" https://pennylane.ai/qml/demos/tutorial\_kernel\_based\_training.html

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A PQC consists of layers or blocks of rotational and entangling gates that can be repeated to maximize the circuit's expressibility.

Discussion on smart Ansatz choices in a few slides 😳

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QCBM trained on 4 qubits using cosine distance metric optimized using gradient-based optimizer (Adam). Hyperparameters: learning rate = 0.1, number of steps = 100, 8192 shots.



Delgado, A., Hamilton, K. E., "Unsupervised Quantum Circuit Learning in High-Energy Physics" arXiv:2203.03578

#### $R(\cdot)$ $R(\cdot)$ $R(\cdot)$ 0.014Ansatz 1 $R(\cdot)$ 0.008 Fraction of samples Ansatz 2 0.012 $\times d$ $\times d$ MC Expectation Ansatz 2 Ansatz 1 0.010 0.008 The effect of number of shots in training 0.006 0.004Ansatz 1 - 8,192 shots 0.002 0.001 Ansatz 1 - 20,000 shots Ansatz 2 - 8,192 shots 0.000 <del>|</del> 250 Ansatz 2 - 20,000 shots 0.000 300 350 400 450 500 20 40 60 80 100 120 140 160 $\int_{10}^{10} JS(P|\widetilde{P_{\Theta}})$ 1.51.5 $P/\widetilde{P}_{\Theta}$ ratio 1.00.5 0.550 100 150 200 250 300 0 optimizer step 350 400100 125 250 300 450 500 25 50 75 150 Jet $p_T$ [GeV] Jet mass [GeV]

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Can QCBM's learn joint distributions?



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#### **On Unsupervised Quantum Generative Models...**

#### ★ Quantum generative models are currently

a candidate for quantum advantage in QML, with current performance comparable to classical methods... when trained on

- $\star$  There are sill a lot of open questions.
  - ★ Scalability?
  - ★ Ansatz choice
  - ★ Training
  - $\star$  Scalable error correction



#### Also check out:



"Conditional Born machine for Monte Carlo events generation", Kiss, O., Grossi, M., Kajomovitz, E., Vallecorsa, S., arXiv:2205.07674



"Style-based quantum generative adversarial networks for Monte Carlo events", Bravo-Prieto, C., Baglio, J., Ce, M., Francis, A., Grabowska, D., Carrazza, S., arXiv: 2110.06933



# Barren Plateaus, and how to avoid them

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- ★A barren plateau (BP) occurs in PQCs if the variational ansatz circuit is too random.
  - ★ Prepares a random state with nearly maximal entropy.
- ★ The wave function is essentially spread over the exponentially large Hilbert space.
  - ★ Larger number of measurements to estimate observable.
  - ★ Extrapolates to gradient calculation, to navigate the optimization landscape

★ How to overcome them?

★ Several techniques have been explored





*θθ*1, 1*E*) variance

#### (1) Local vs Global Functions

Most applications to date use global cost functions
 We just saw the effect of vanishing gradient with increasing number of qubits.
 Evaluate cost function on shallower circuits.
 i.e., local cost function.

"Cost Function Dependent Barren Plateaus in Shallow Parameterized Quantum Circuits," M. Cerezo, A. Sone, T. Volkoff, L. Cincio, P. J. Coles, arXiv:2001.00550



**Global cost function** 



#### **Local cost function**

PennyLane tutorial on "Alleviating barren plateaus with local cost functions", https://pennylane.ai/qml/demos/tutorial \_local\_cost\_functions.html

#### (2) Layerwise Learning (LL)

- ★ Method consists on incrementally growing the circuit during optimization,
  - $\star$  As opposed to training all layers.
- $\star$  Only subsets of parameters are updated in each training step.
- ★ Essentially restoring back to training shallow circuits.
- $\star$  LL is expected to:
  - $\star$  Decrease runtime,
  - ★ Increase probability of success on random restarts.



(b) success probability

"Layerwise learning for quantum neural networks," A. Skolik, J. R. McClean, M. Mohseni, P. van der Smagt, M. Leib, arXiv:2006.14904

#### (3) Block Identity Initialization

- ★ Create the circuit in blocks such that the blocks satisfy:  $U^{\dagger}U = 1$ .
- ★ The resulting state is a product state (no entanglement) and this, no BP.
- ★ Too random -> Nearly maximal entanglement entropy.



"An initialization strategy for addressing barren plateaus in parameterized quantum circuits," E. Grant, L. Wossnig, M. Ostaszewski, M. Benedetti, arXiv:1903.05076

#### (4) Small qubit rotations

- ★ Studies showed that using small single qubit rotation angles can slow down the growth of entanglement.
- ★ By controlling the magnitude of the angles, the BP can be delayed to arbitrary circuit depth.

"Connecting Ansatz Expressibility to Gradient Magnitudes and Barren Plateaus," Z. Holmes, K. Sharma, M. Cerezo, P. J. Coles, PRX Quantum 3, 010313 (2022)



#### Is Quantum Advantage the Right Goal for QML?

Based on the Perspective Manuscript by M. Schuld and N. Killoran, PRX Quantum 3, 030101 (2022)

#### ★ ML is a **hard problem**!

- There is no rigorous basis for generalization.
- NNs are sequences of linear and non-linear transformations, making them unwieldy for mathematical modeling.
- ★Once we add "quantumness" to the mix
  - We only have minimal access to empirical results from *"just running the algorithm".*
  - We cannot say much about the behavior that quantum models will have at a scale beyond what can be "simulated".



- ★ What architecture is best suited for a problem?
- ★ What affects trainability?
- ★ Model expressibility
- ★ Generalization power?



"The question on whether quantum computers can really play a role in identifying practical ML application is still wide open, and It is unlikely to be decided by theoretical proofs or small-scale experiments"

#### But also ... what about?

Quantum Machine Learning on Quantum Data? Ensemble learning methods for network of quantum sensors?



System Control



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#### $\bigstar$ Its an exciting time for QML!



## Thank you!

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