

An LHC application of Quantum Machine Learning and INFN summary

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- LHC physics program heavily relies on **jets physics**
- Better jets reconstruction & identification performance → better results, but **very challenging**!
- Example: $b\bar{b}$ asymmetry at LHCb
 - **Tension from LEP** measurements makes it interesting to study *bb* charge asymmetry at LHC
 - **Statistical uncertainty** is directly related to the identification algorithm performance
 - Finer binning for $m_{h\bar{h}}$ around Z pole
 - Measure contribution from higher orders

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• It uses all the information coming from the jet substructure

- e.g. get the kinematic properties of all the particles inside the jet
- Given the amount of information, Machine Learning tools are well suited!

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Image taken from https://lhcb.github.io/starterkit-lessons/first-analysis-steps/dataflow.html

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• And for each type of particle, three features are considered: \bullet Transverse momentum relative to jet axis $p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{rel}}$ • Distance relative to jet axis ΔR in the (η, ϕ) plane • Charge of the particle q

 $\Sigma(p_{\rm T}^{\rm rel})q$ \bullet + a global variable, the total jet charge Q = $\Sigma(p_{\rm T}^{\rm rel})$









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Results are compared with a standard **Deep Neural Network** (DNN) using same input variables

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Optimised cut Δ_{cut} over output distribution: reduce efficiency but also reduce mistag, therefore increasing tagging power

		Classifier			
Dataset	DNN	Angle Embedding	Amplitude Embedding		
Muon	0.30	0.25	0.16		
Complete	0.21	0.19	0.12		







Results for tagging power



- Embedding not performing as good
- For complete dataset (up to 16 qubits), **QML performs slightly worse than DNN**

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For muon dataset (up to 4 qubits), Angle Embedding circuit is **comparable to DNN**, Amplitude





Other results for 4 qubits circuit (muon set of features)

number of variational layers



- Accuracy saturates after 5/6 variational layers
- A **trade-off** between performance and complexity

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- performs better than the DNN
- Simulate noise contribution from several IBM backends
- **Simpler structures are** robust to noise









Future studies and ideas

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tests on hardware preliminary

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- Transpiling and error mitigation studies
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intelligent circuit design

correlations between qubits



- What (and where) is the quantum advantage?
- Can we measure **correlations** between qubits?
- How to use this information?



INFN is deeply involved in many QC activities for HEP



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RATHER NEW!

Ongoing projects in different areas of interest and expertise



- Early involvement already in 2018 (**QT @ INFN**)
- INFN is also part of the **QuantERA programme**





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Simulation and theory

Describe N interacting neutrinos with Hamiltonian by means of quantum simulations

$$H = \sum_{i} \frac{\Delta m^2}{4E_i} \vec{B} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_i + \lambda \sum_{i} \sigma_i^z + \frac{\mu}{2N} \sum_{i < j} \left(1 - \cos(\phi_{ij}) \right) \vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_j$$

Simulate one- and two-body interactions with SWAP network



Recent progress using trapped ions with all-to-all connectivity show very low infidelities

by V. Amitrano et al., arXiv:2207.03189 (2022)

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Simulation and theory

- **Entanglement entropy production in QNN**
- QNN characterisation by means of Tensor Networks tools



The most promising regime for quantum advantage is a **trade-off** between high entanglement and expressibility

by M.Ballarin et al., arXiv:2206.02474

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complexity

by L.Banchi et al., PRX Quantum 2.040321 (2021)



Classification in HEP and Gravitational Waves

• Anomaly detection task

• Identification of long-lived particles in ATLAS



• Generative models

• Simulation of particles-matter interaction



by S. Bordoni, D. Stanev, S. Giagu — INFN Roma and University Sapienza

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- GW signals are deeply embedded in **detector noise**
- Matched filtering between data and signal templates
 - Computationally not feasible

$$N_{\rm tot} \approx 5.6\pi \times 10^{-9} K_f K_{\rm sky} \left(\frac{T_{\rm FFT}}{\delta t}\right)^{3+j_{\rm max}} \prod_{j \le j_{\rm max}} \left(\frac{T_{\rm obs}}{\tau_{\rm min}}\right)^j \approx 10^{21}$$

- Several proposals to use quantum algorithms
 - Quantum Hough Transform
 - Polynomial speed-up w.r.t. classical
 - QML
 - Already classical ML seems promising

by C. Palomba, P. Astone, F. Muciaccia — INFN Roma





Conclusions

- An application of QML to a real LHC physics case has been presented
 - While QML doesn't show any advantage, it behaves almost as good as classic ML
 - Nice PoC for future studies and application
 - Possible new ideas on
 - Leveraging **quantum** aspects of QML
 - Applicability to **near-term devices**
- Many INFN activities of QC for HEP in **different areas of interest**
- Significant boost expected from the **national** center for HPC and QC, currently being built

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