	Variational	Post-variational
Circuit	Single parameterized quantum circuit.	Multiple fixed quantum circuits.
Measurement observable	Single fixed observable.	Multiple fixed observables.
Optimization parameters	On the quantum computer.	On the classical computer.
Number of measurements	Dependent on the optimization landscape.	Dependent on the number of quantum circuits.
Challenges	Barren plateaus.	Heuristic choice of fixed circuits and observables.