Encoding and Classifier

- The classical data was embedded in two ways in the form of amplitude embedding and angle embedding.
- In the amplitude-embedding technique, data is encoded into the amplitudes of a quantum state. A normalized classical **N-dimensional** data point **x** is represented by the amplitudes of a **n-qubit quantum state**.

$$|\Psi> = \sum x_i |i>$$

Where i is the quantum basis.

- Angle embedding, Encodes N features into the rotation angles of n qubits, where N≤n. The rotations can be chosen as either *RX*, *RY* or *RZ* gates, as defined by the rotation.
- The Embeddings were done using the Pennylane library in python.

Amplitude Embedding

- Amplitude Embedding needs only two qubits to encode the classical data.
- For the Variation Quantum Classifier, first we implemented one layer of *RX,RZ* and *CNOT* gates with 3 layers which gave a *test accuracy of 0.2* and *highest train* accuracy of 0.4.
- We considered batch size of 5 and **NesterovMomentumOptimizer** as our optimizer
- Then I changed the ansatz into implementing **RX,RY and RZ and a CNOT** gate which with **3** layers gave better training results (Some iterations image):

```
Accuracy: 0.4366667
Iter:
          1 | Cost: 3.4104577
          2 Cost: 2.5536059
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
Iter:
          3 | Cost: 1.5775721
                                Accuracy: 0.4233333
          4 | Cost: 2.3110371 |
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          5 | Cost: 1.8661167
                                Accuracy: 0.4233333
Iter:
          6 | Cost: 1.2871659
                                Accuracy: 0.4733333
Iter:
          7 | Cost: 2.6443048
                                Accuracy: 0.4800000
Iter:
          8 | Cost: 1.1493262
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
          9 | Cost: 1.3527157
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.6733333
Iter:
         10 | Cost: 1.7157764
                                Accuracy: 0.3800000
```

Next Considering the number of layers as 4 gave:

```
Iter:
             Cost: 1.3446573
                                Accuracy: 0.5700000
Iter:
          2 | Cost: 1.8204442
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          3 | Cost: 1.4120008
                                Accuracy: 0.4233333
                                Accuracy: 0.4333333
Iter:
          4 | Cost: 1.4381492
          5 | Cost: 2.7283498
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.1733333
                                Accuracy: 0.6600000
Iter:
          6 | Cost: 1.1202866
Iter:
          7 | Cost: 0.9492884
                                Accuracy: 0.5733333
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.3733333
          8 | Cost: 1.3184546
                                Accuracy: 0.4266667
Iter:
          9 | Cost: 1.9484108
         10 | Cost: 0.8060176 |
                                Accuracy: 0.6566667
Iter:
```

- We also got a testing accuracy of 0.74

```
# Compute accuracy
predictions = [np.sign(variational_classifier(weights, bias, x)) for x in X_test]
acc = accuracy(Y_test, predictions)

print(
    " Cost: {:0.7f} | Accuracy: {:0.7f} ".format( cost(weights, bias, X, Y), acc)
)

Cost: 0.8060176 | Accuracy: 0.7416667
```

- Next 5 layers was considered:

```
Iter:
          1 | Cost: 1.2976096
                                Accuracy: 0.5633333
             Cost: 1.7779056
Iter:
          2 |
                                Accuracy: 0.33333333
          3 | Cost: 0.6407656
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.7933333
Iter:
          4 | Cost: 1.7630178
                                Accuracy: 0.2300000
Iter:
          5 | Cost: 1.7932884
                                Accuracy: 0.5633333
          6 | Cost: 1.2295164
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.3466667
Iter:
          7 | Cost: 1.7967084
                                Accuracy: 0.2033333
Iter:
          8 | Cost: 1.3215029
                                Accuracy: 0.4233333
Iter:
          9
             Cost: 1.4793313
                                Accuracy: 0.3133333
Iter:
         10 | Cost: 0.9544546
                                Accuracy: 0.7400000
```

- It gave a test accuracy of **0.833** the highest test accuracy.
- Considering number of layers as six gave us :

```
Iter:
             Cost: 1.5990938
                                Accuracy: 0.4266667
Iter:
          2 |
             Cost: 1.9411440
                                Accuracy: 0.3300000
Iter:
          3 | Cost: 1.5537574
                                Accuracy: 0.4500000
Iter:
          4 | Cost: 2.0847227
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
          5 | Cost: 1.7075924
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
             Cost: 1.2553577
                                Accuracy: 0.3633333
Iter:
            Cost: 1.0514950
          7
                                Accuracy: 0.5766667
Iter:
          8
             Cost: 1.4040993
                                Accuracy: 0.1900000
          9 | Cost: 1.6749637
                                Accuracy: 0.3066667
Iter:
Iter:
         10 | Cost: 2.3157339
                                Accuracy: 0.4233333
```

- It gave a test accuracy of 0.4 which is significantly lower than that of five layers.
- Also considered **seven** layers which gave:

```
Iter:
          1 | Cost: 0.8171923
                                Accuracy: 0.6666667
Iter:
          2 | Cost: 3.2291236
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          3 | Cost: 0.9597792
                                Accuracy: 0.7466667
Iter:
          4 | Cost: 1.5642177
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
Iter:
          5 | Cost: 1.7429029
                                Accuracy: 0.5766667
          6 | Cost: 2.2471905
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.4366667
Iter:
          7 | Cost: 1.2662306
                                Accuracy: 0.3866667
Iter:
          8 | Cost: 1.9547518 |
                                Accuracy: 0.1733333
Iter:
          9 | Cost: 1.5926295
                                Accuracy: 0.1966667
Iter:
         10 | Cost: 1.3634367
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
```

- The test accuracy was **0.5177** which is better than six layers but worse than five layers

Angle Embedding

- For angle embedding, we need four qubits to encode the classical data
- We considered batch size of 5 and **NesterovMomentumOptimizer** as our optimizer
- The ansatz considered was **RX,RY and RZ and a CNOT** gate which with **3** layers gave training results as (Some iterations image):

```
Iter:
          1 | Cost: 1.5809759
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
Iter:
          2
              Cost: 1.4952856
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
          3 | Cost: 1.0321662
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
             Cost: 1.1538944
Iter:
          4 I
Iter:
          5 | Cost: 2.5349856
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
          6 Cost: 1.3149044
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
Iter:
Iter:
          7
            Cost: 1.1260962
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          8
            Cost: 0.9981576
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
              Cost: 1.3833043
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          9
              Cost: 2.4941570
Iter:
         10
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
```

- Next Considering the number of layers as 4 gave:

```
Iter:
                                 Accuracy: 0.5233333
              Cost: 1.1282630
                                 Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          2 I
              Cost: 1.1214062
          3 | Cost: 1.2046277
                                 Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          4 | Cost: 1.2467489
                                 Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
              Cost: 1.5495831
                                 Accuracy: 0.4766667
Iter:
          5 I
Iter:
          6 | Cost: 1.0998144
                                 Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          7 I
              Cost: 1.4051457
                                 Accuracy: 0.5233333
             Cost: 1.5609719
                                 Accuracy: 0.5233333
          8 I
Iter:
              Cost: 1.4117611
Iter:
          9
                                 Accuracy: 0.4766667
             Cost: 1.0215238
                                 Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
         10 l
```

- It gave a test accuracy of 0.4833.

Next Considering the number of layers as 5 gave:

```
Iter:
          1 | Cost: 1.0045051
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          2
             Cost: 1.2125953
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
          3
             Cost: 2.6445697
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
             Cost: 1.8856087
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          4
Iter:
          5
             Cost: 1.8997313
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
             Cost: 1.0875426
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
Iter:
          6
          7
             Cost: 1.0829376
Iter:
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
Iter:
          8
             Cost: 1.6559267
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
Iter:
          9
              Cost: 1.1080120
                                Accuracy: 0.4766667
Iter:
         10
              Cost: 1.4331608
                                Accuracy: 0.5233333
```

- It gave a test accuracy of 0.4677.
- Next Considering the number of layers as 6 gave:

```
1 | Cost: 1.7537068
                                   Accuracy: 0.4766667
   Iter:
₽
                                   Accuracy: 0.5233333
   Iter:
                 Cost: 1.1955090
                                   Accuracy: 0.4766667
   Iter:
             3 | Cost: 2.3393624
   Iter:
             4
                Cost: 1.0095663
                                   Accuracy: 0.4766667
   Iter:
             5
                Cost: 1.3053505
                                   Accuracy: 0.4766667
             6 | Cost: 1.1883827
   Iter:
                                   Accuracy: 0.4766667
   Iter:
             7
                Cost: 1.8977823
                                   Accuracy: 0.5233333
   Iter:
             8
                Cost: 1.3684752
                                   Accuracy: 0.4766667
   Iter:
                 Cost: 1.6650727
                                   Accuracy: 0.4766667
             9
   Iter:
            10
                 Cost: 1.0005680
                                   Accuracy: 0.5233333
```

It gave a test accuracy of 0.4833.

ANALYSIS:

- Amplitude embedding needs only two qubits to encode the data as compared to four for angle embedding. Since near-term quantum computers only have a limited number of qubits, amplitude embedding is a better option.
- Other encoding such as kernel, basis were considered and researched on. Since basis encoding needs a lot of qubits (classical data has values in 10000's which would need 14 qubits to embed) while the kernel method was a bit too complex and hence I went with angle and amplitude embedding which were relatively better and simpler.
- Amplitude embedding for the chosen ansatz gave better results and higher accuracy.
 The ansatz chosen for angle embedding saturated in terms of accuracy and couldn't improve significantly even when layers were increased which shows that the chosen ansatz is not a good one
- For Amplitude embedding, for the chosen ansatz *five layers gave the best results* with a *test accuracy of 0.833* and also gave the best training accuracy too.
- For Angle embedding, almost all layers gave similar results with training accuracy saturating at **0.5233**. There were slight variations for the given ansatz with different number of layers and the best result came for four layers which gave a test accuracy of **0.4833**
- The ansatz chosen was simple and hence the training and test results were not very impressive. A better ansatz involving further more complex gates and entanglements would hopefully give better results.