

# A QCNN for Quantum State Preparation

## Carnegie Vacation Scholarship

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# Aims for the Week

The following aims were set at the last meeting (29/07/2024):

## Improve Loss Function

Work on an improved version of WILL. Incorporate some phase extraction metrics (e.g.  $\chi$ ,  $\epsilon$ ) into the loss function.

## Investigate Phase Extraction

Study the relationship between mismatch and the extracted phase, i.e. study the operator  $\tilde{Q}^\dagger(\hat{I} \otimes \hat{R})\tilde{Q}$ .

## Mitigate Barren Plateaus

Work on strategies to mitigate barren plateaus, e.g. implement layer-by-layer training.

THIS WEEK INCLUDE EXAMPLES WITH HIGH  $m$  !!

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# WILL Revisited

- As discussed at the meeting on 29/07, the definition of **WILL** (weighted  $L_p$  loss) was amended to:

$$\text{WILL}_{p,q} = \left( \sum_k \left| x_k - y_k \right|^p + |x_k| \left| [k]_m - \Psi([k]_n) \right|^q \right)^{1/p}, \quad (1)$$

where the changes to the previous definition are highlighted

- Testing this for different  $\Psi$  (with  $L = 6$ ,  $m = 3$  and 600 epochs) yielded the following optimal values for  $p$ ,  $q$ :

$\Psi(f)$	$p$	$q$
$\sim f$	0.25	0.5
$\sim f^2$	1	1.5
$\Psi_{\text{H23}}$	0.75	2

Table 1: Optimal identified  $p$ ,  $q$  values for WILL

# Comparing SAM, WIM, and WILL

	SAM	WIM	WILL
$\mu$	<b>3.4e-2</b>	6.0e-2	4.5e-1
$\sigma$	1.4e-1	1.1e-1	4.7e-1
$\epsilon$	<b>1.9e-2</b>	9.2e-2	2.6e-1
$\chi$	<b>3.2e-2</b>	5.1e-2	3.7e-1
$\Omega$	<b>4.46</b>	3.19	0.76

Table 2: Comparing loss function metrics for  $\Psi(f) \sim f$  ( $L = 6$ ,  $m = 3$ , 600 epochs)

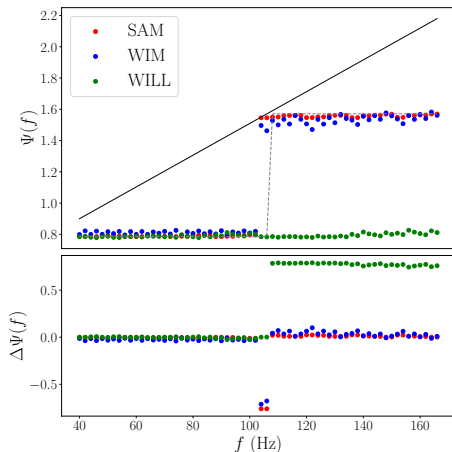
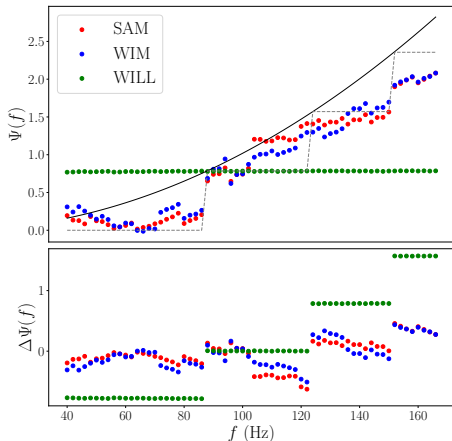


Figure 1: Comparing extracted phase functions for  $\Psi(f) \sim f$  ( $L = 6$ ,  $m = 3$ , 600 epochs)

# Comparing SAM, WIM, and WILL

	SAM	WIM	WILL
$\mu$	<b>1.9e-1</b>	2.3e-1	6.6e-1
$\sigma$	1.2e-1	<b>1.0e-1</b>	4.1e-1
$\epsilon$	2.2e-1	4.2e-1	<b>2.8e-2</b>
$\chi$	<b>1.9e-1</b>	2.0e-1	6.1e-1
$\Omega$	<b>1.39</b>	1.05	0.57

**Table 3:** Comparing loss function metrics for  $\Psi(f) \sim f^2$  ( $L = 6$ ,  $m = 3$ , 600 epochs)



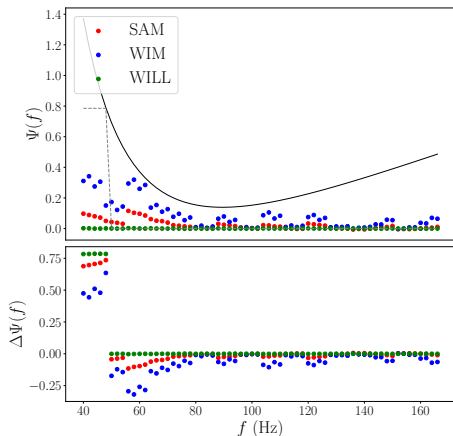
**Figure 2:** Comparing extracted phase functions for  $\Psi(f) \sim f^2$  ( $L = 6$ ,  $m = 3$ , 600 epochs)



# Comparing SAM, WIM, and WILL

	SAM	WIM	WILL
$\mu$	<b>6.8e-2</b>	8.4e-2	7.6e-2
$\sigma$	1.8e-1	<b>1.2e-1</b>	2.6e-1
$\epsilon$	4.5e-2	1.8e-1	<b>7.3e-3</b>
$\chi$	7.4e-2	1.0e-1	<b>6.2e-2</b>
$\Omega$	<b>2.75</b>	2.07	2.48

**Table 4:** Comparing loss function metrics for  $\Psi_{\text{H23}}$  ( $L = 6$ ,  $m = 3$ , 600 epochs)



**Figure 3:** Comparing extracted phase functions for  $\Psi_{\text{H23}}$  ( $L = 6$ ,  $m = 3$ , 600 epochs)

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