

# Modified Layerwise Learning for Data Re-uploading Classifier in High-Energy Physics Event Classification

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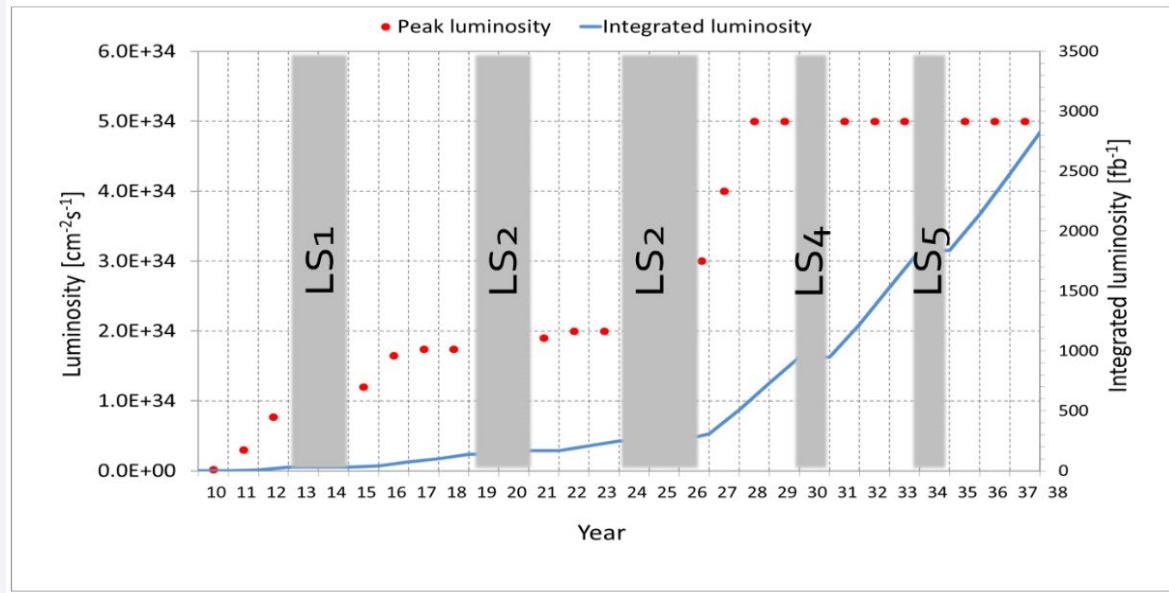
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# Introduction: Background

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HL-LHC upgrades at CERN will require enormous computing resources<sup>[1]</sup>



Projected LHC performance through 2038  
the amount of data will increase at least 10x  
more luminosity = produce more data<sup>[1]</sup>

[1] Burkhard Schmidt 2016 *J. Phys.: Conf. Ser.* 706 022002.

# Introduction: Background

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Quantum computing has potential in improving performance of data processing and ML<sup>[2]</sup>

Can it improves HEP simulation and data analysis?

## Examples of HEP areas explored:

- Higgs optimization problem with quantum annealing<sup>[3]</sup>
- Identification of charged particle trajectories<sup>[4]</sup>
- HEP event classification<sup>[5, 6]</sup>  
Event classification: separate signals from background in the recorded/simulated data.

[2] Biamonte J, et al. *Nature* 2017;549.

[3] A. Mott, et al. *Nature*, vol. 550, no. 7676, pp. 375–379, 2017.

[4] I. Shapoval and P. Calafiura. *EPJ Web of Conferences*, vol. 214, p. 01012, 2019.

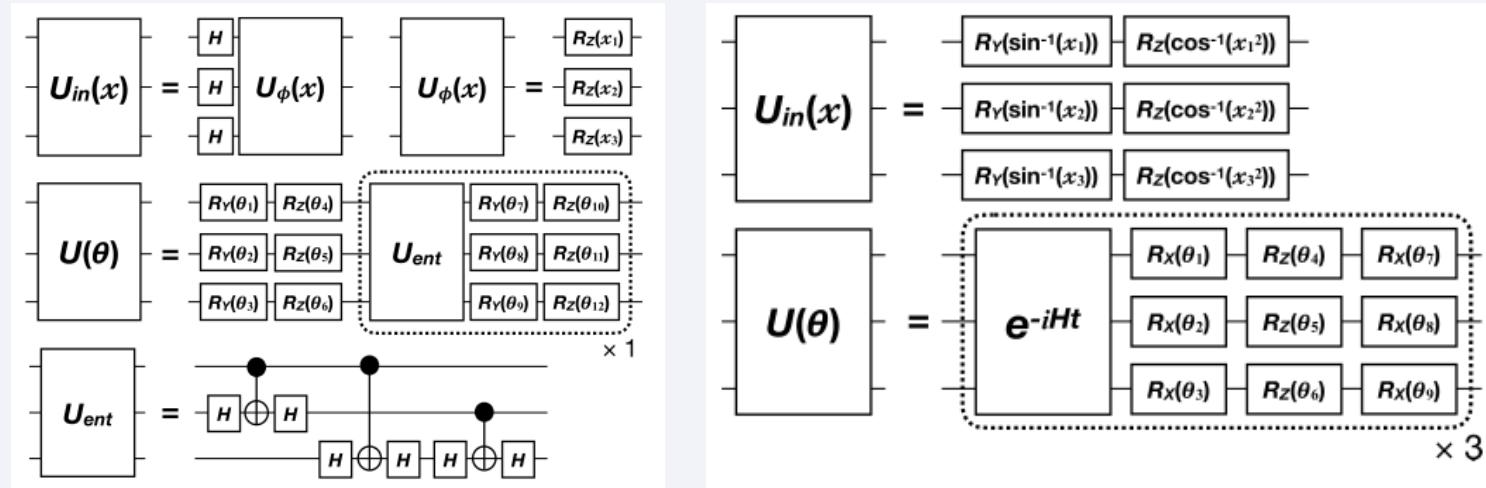
[5] J. Chan, et al. *Pos(LeptonPhoton2019)*, vol. 367, 2019, p. 049.

[6] K. Terashi, et al. *Computing and Software for Big Science*, vol. 5, no. 1, p. 2, 2021.

# Introduction: Related Work

## Related Works

- In [6], a Quantum Support Vector Machine (QSVM)<sup>[7]</sup> and a Quantum Circuit Learning (QCL)<sup>[8]</sup> models are trained to classify the SUSY dataset<sup>[9]</sup>



QSVM and QCL circuits (respectively) used in the study of [6]

[6] K. Terashi, et al. *Computing and Software for Big Science*, vol. 5, no. 1, p. 2, 2021. [8] K. Mitarai, et al. *Phys. Rev. A*, vol. 98, p. 032309, Sep 2018.

[7] V. Havlicek, et al. *Nature*, vol. 567, no. 7747, pp. 209–212, 2019.

[9] P. Baldi, et al. *Nature Communications*, vol. 5, no. 1, p. 4308, 2014.

# Introduction: Related Work

## Related Works

- The study showed increasing the number of qubits does not necessarily improve the classifier's performance.
- Both circuits (the QSVM and QCL) employ the angle embedding, which requires one qubit for every feature in the dataset.

## The Question

If there is no clear advantage of increasing the number of qubits, how about training one that use very small number of qubits?

Given equal performance, training a model with fewer qubits is both timely and economically more efficient.

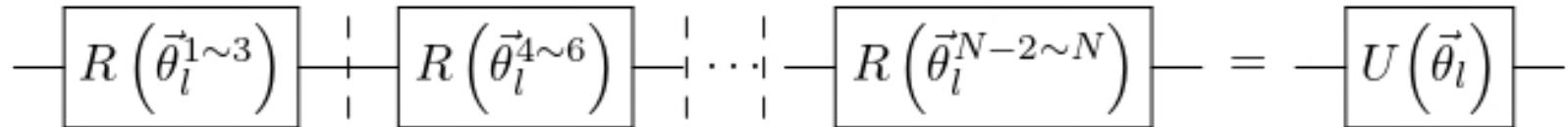
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# Algorithms: Data Re-uploading Classifier (DRC)

It is proven that a single qubit is sufficient to perform universal classification<sup>[10]</sup>. The authors called it as a data re-uploading classifier.



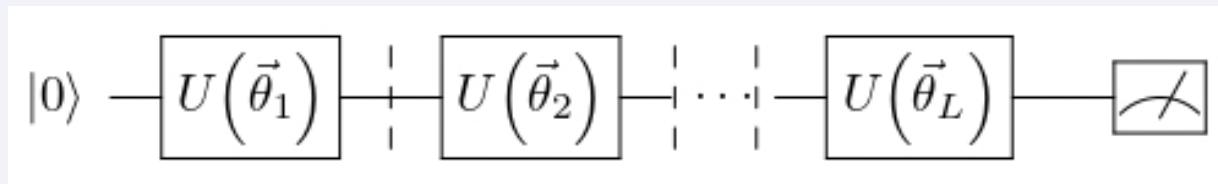
Circuit schematic of a one qubit DRC's layer

$$R(\tau, \phi, \omega) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\tau+\omega}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right) & -e^{i\frac{\tau-\omega}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right) \\ e^{-i\frac{\tau-\omega}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right) & e^{i\frac{\tau+\omega}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right) \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} \vec{\theta}_l^{n \sim n+2} &= (\theta_l^n, \theta_l^{n+1}, \theta_l^{n+2}) \\ \vec{\theta}_l &= (\theta_l^1, \theta_l^2, \theta_l^3, \dots, \theta_l^N) \\ \theta_l^n &= w_l^n x^n + b_l^n \end{aligned}$$

One main advantage of DRC: in theory, the number of required qubits is independent of the number of features.

[10] A. Perez-Salinas, et al. *Quantum*, vol. 4, p. 226, Feb. 2020.

# Algorithms: Data Re-uploading Classifier (DRC)



A complete one qubit DRC circuit is the repetition of the layer followed by a measurement

If we set background =  $|0\rangle$  and signal =  $|1\rangle$ , the classification task now is equivalent to maximizing the fidelity between the output quantum state with the respective quantum state label.

$$J(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\theta}) = \frac{1}{2M} \sum_{m=1}^M \text{sum} \left\{ \left( \vec{y}_{\text{pred}_m}(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\theta}) - \vec{y}_{\text{true}_m} \right)^2 \right\}$$

$$\vec{y}_{\text{pred}_m}(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\theta}) = \vec{\alpha} \odot \begin{bmatrix} \langle O_0(\vec{\theta}) \rangle_m \\ \langle O_1(\vec{\theta}) \rangle_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\langle \Psi_{DRC}(\vec{\theta}) \rangle_m = U(\vec{\theta}_L)U(\vec{\theta}_{L-1}) \dots U(\vec{\theta}_1)|0\rangle$$

$$\langle O_0(\vec{\theta}) \rangle_m = {}_m \langle \Psi_{DRC}(\vec{\theta}) | O_0 | \Psi_{DRC}(\vec{\theta}) \rangle_m$$

$$O_0 = |0\rangle\langle 0|$$

$$\langle O_1(\vec{\theta}) \rangle_m = {}_m \langle \Psi_{DRC}(\vec{\theta}) | O_1 | \Psi_{DRC}(\vec{\theta}) \rangle_m$$

$$O_1 = |1\rangle\langle 1|$$

$$\vec{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0 \\ \alpha_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Algorithms: Modified Layerwise Learning

Layerwise learning is a training strategy that [trains only subset of parameters at a time](#), ensuring a favorable signal-to-noise ratio<sup>[11]</sup>.

Help avoid the problem of barren plateaus thanks to:

- low circuit's depth
- low number of parameters optimized in one update step
- larger gradients magnitude

We [trained the parameter of each circuit layer one at a time](#) (freezing the parameters of the other layers) once, and trained the whole circuit once.

[11] A. Skolik, et al. *Quantum Machine Intelligence*, vol. 3, no. 1, p. 5, 2021.

# Experimental Setup: The Dataset

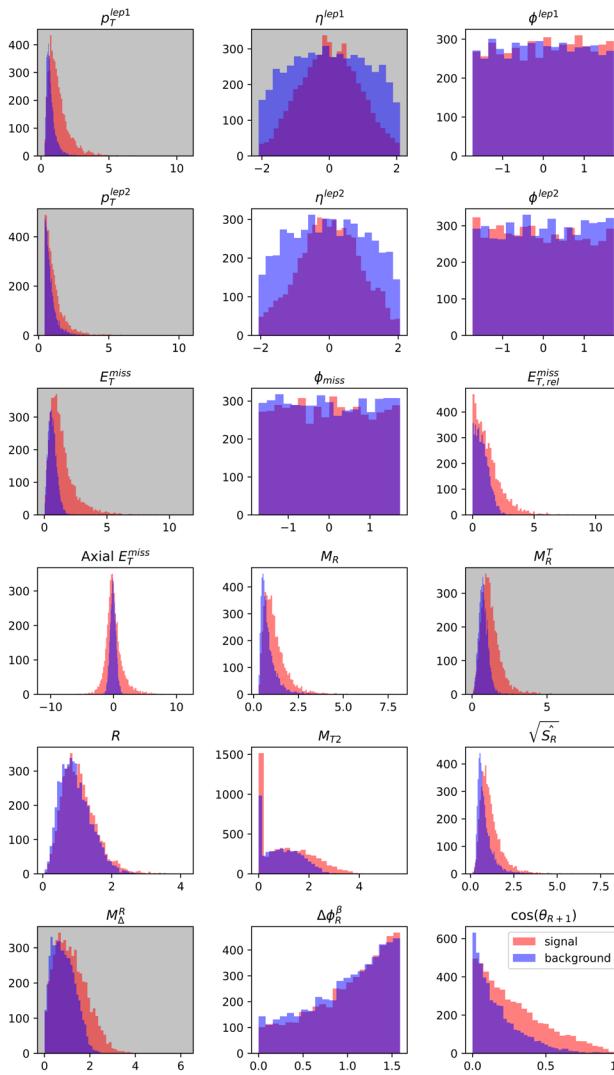
We chose SUSY dataset<sup>[9]</sup>, the one also studied in [6]

- Signal/true label: a chargino-pair production via the Higgs boson and a W-boson
- Background: W-boson pair production

Both processes have the same final state, a charged lepton and a neutrino from the decayed W-boson. The chargino-pair decay into a neutralino that avoids detection.

[6] K. Terashi, et al. *Computing and Software for Big Science*, vol. 5, no. 1, p. 2, 2021.

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# Experimental Setup: The Dataset

Entire dataset includes about 5 million events, we used 10,000 samples from it.

Each signal is characterized by 18 features:

- The first 8 features are kinematic properties (transverse momentum  $P_T$ , pseudo-rapidity  $\eta$ , azimuthal angle  $\phi$ , energy  $E_T$ )
- The rest of them are derived from (functions of) the first 8.

Among 18, we selected:  $p_T^{lep1}, p_T^{lep2}, E_T^{miss}, M_R^T, M_R^R, \eta^{lep1}$

With 6 features, no zero padding is needed.

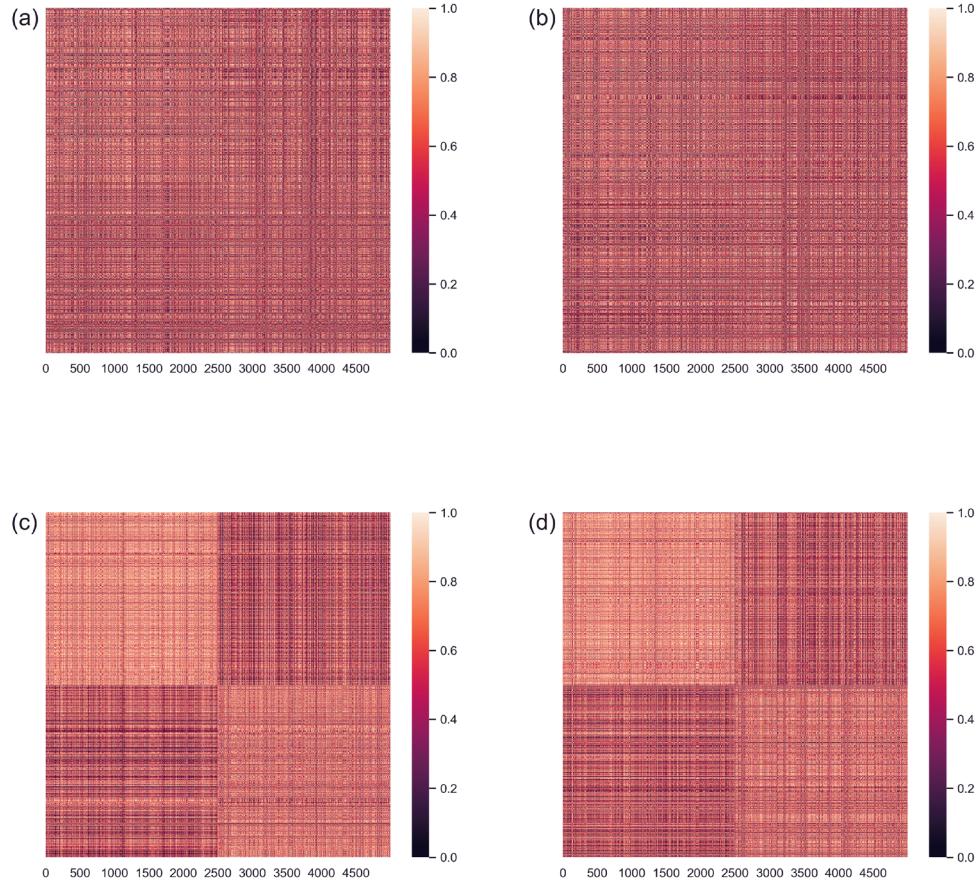
# Experimental Setup: Training Setup

- Trained on the PennyLane<sup>[12]</sup> state-vector simulator
- The number of layers of the DRC in this study is 5 (62 trainable parameters)
- 10 epochs/training with batch size of 128 samples
- Parameter optimization by Adam<sup>[13]</sup> optimizer with 0.05 learning rate
- Performance metric: AUC (area under ROC curve) value
- After training, we tested the model on Rigetti's quantum processor Aspen-9 through Amazon Braket for 2000 samples

[12] V. Bergholm, et al. arXiv:1811.04968.

[13] D. P. Kingma and J. Ba. *ICLR* 2015.

# Results



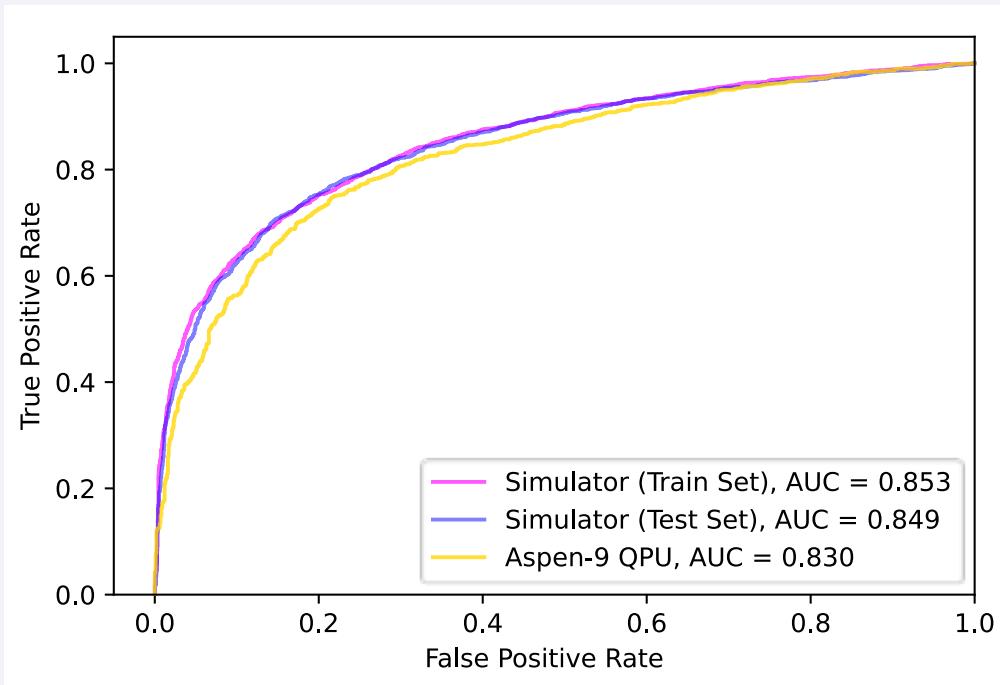
Top row: before training  
Bottom row: after training

Left column: train set  
Right column: test set

The classifier was able to differentiate between classes after the training.

$$F_{i,j} = \left| \left\langle \Psi_{DRC}(\vec{\theta}) \mid \Psi_{DRC}(\vec{\theta}) \right\rangle_j \right|^2$$

# Results



ROC Curves and AUC value of the classifier after the training.

The classifier was able to generalize well. Agreeing with the study of [6], running the classifier on QPU may lead to worse performance due to errors from noisy hardware.

# Results

## AUC VALUE COMPARISON

	Backend	AUC
QSVM <sup>1</sup>	Johannesburg QPU, IBM Q (3-qubits circuit)	$0.799 \pm 0.020$
	Boeblingen QPU, IBM Q (3-qubits circuit)	$0.807 \pm 0.010$
	QASM simulator (3-qubits circuit)	$0.815 \pm 0.015$
QCL <sup>1</sup>	Qulacs simulator (3-qubits circuit)	$0.833 \pm 0.063$
DRC	PennyLane simulator (1-qubit circuit)	0.849
	Rigetti's Aspen-9 QPU, AWS (1-qubit circuit)	0.830

DRC used **fewest number of qubit but better**: increasing the number of qubits does not always result in better performance.

**Other important factors**: embed the classical data to the circuit, the structure of the circuit, and how to train the circuit hold an equally important role.

# Conclusion

- Data re-uploading classifier with one qubit, trained with the modified layerwise learning, is able to perform better than the compared methods on event classification of the SUSY dataset.
- The AUC value obtained from the simulator is also close to the one obtained from running the test on the quantum hardware.
- A promising approach for future research in HEP with larger datasets since it requires fewer qubits, leading to less queue time and computational power required.

# Outlook

- Train directly on quantum hardware > taking noise into account during the training?
- DRC can be expanded to multi-qubits version, how does increasing the number of qubits in DRC affect the performance?
- How the model perform on larger scale of dataset (> 1 million samples)?

Thank You!  
Any Questions?



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# APPENDIX

