

Compositional optimization of quantum circuits

Optimizing quantum support vector machines

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The problem

- Embedding Machine Learning kernels in gates
- Small data problems
- Sensitivity to ansatz
- Quantum Support Vector Machine

Finding an optimal ansatz

1. Search all permutations
2. Optimize gate parameters

- Exponential scaling

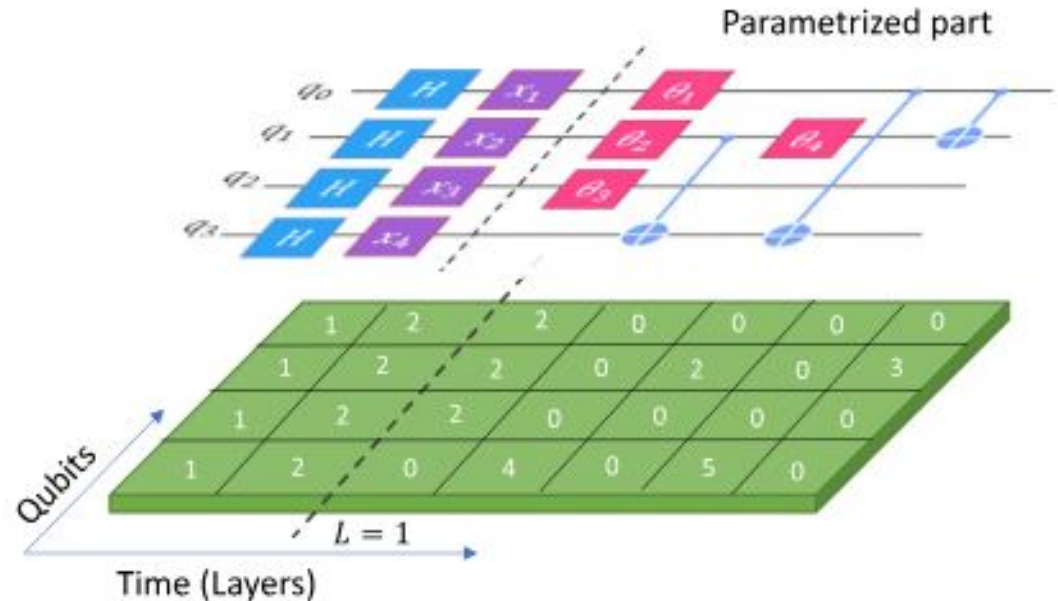


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A solution

- Bayesian approach
- Marginal likelihood
- Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)
- Pick K best circuits
- Optimize parameters of M best circuits

Background

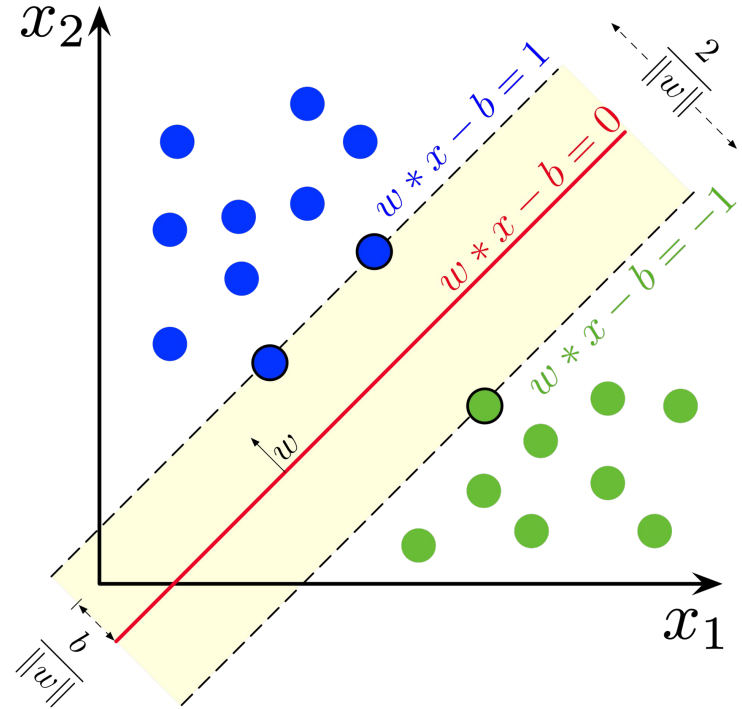
Support Vector Machine(SVM)

- Supervised Learning Algorithm
- Maximize Margin
- Linear Classification

$$\text{maximize } f(c_1 \dots c_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n y_i c_i (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j) y_j c_j,$$

$$\text{subject to } \sum_{i=1}^n c_i y_i = 0, \text{ and } 0 \leq c_i \leq \frac{1}{2n\lambda} \text{ for all } i.$$

Image source: [Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Support_vector_machine)

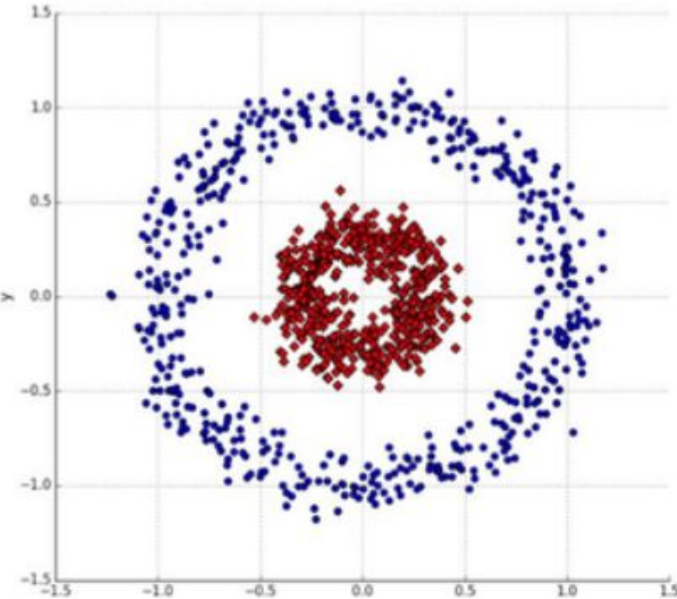


Feature Maps and Kernels

$$K(x, z) = |\langle \Phi(x), \Phi(z) \rangle|^2$$

Image Source: [Medium](#)

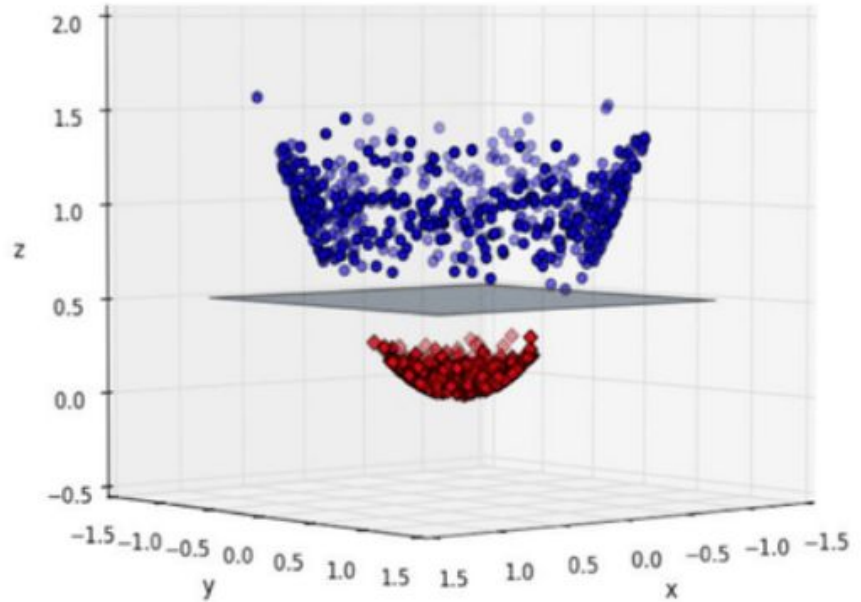
2D



Kernel



3D



Quantum SVM

- Use quantum circuit to get the kernel then use classical computer for SVM

$$k(x, x') = | \langle \phi(x') | S^\dagger(x') S(x) | \phi(x) \rangle |^2$$

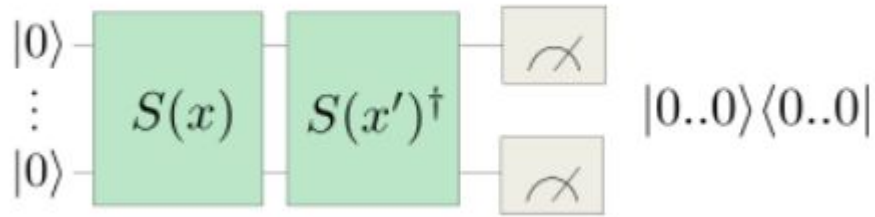


Image Source: [PennyLane](https://pennylane.ai)

Error Metrics and Optimization

- Bayesian Information Criterion(BIC) = $k \ln(n) - 2 \ln(L)$
 - k: number of parameters, n: number of observations, L: Likelihood Function
- Akaike Information Criterion(AIC) = $2k - 2 \ln(L)$
- Validation Accuracy
- F1 Score = $(2 * TP) / (2 * TP + FP + FN)$
 - TP: True Positive, FP: False Positive, FN: False Negative

Choosing Parameters

- Bayesian Optimization using skopt library
- Functions are expensive to compute and noisy
- Number of calls = 15

Dataset: Qiskit ad hoc dataset

- ZZ Feature Map
- Separation Gap
- 100 Train Data
- 100 Validation Data
- 4100 Test Data

```
ad_hoc_data(training_size, test_size, n, gap, plot_data=False, one_hot=True,  
            include_sample_total=False) [source]
```

Generates a toy dataset that can be fully separated with `ZZFeatureMap` according to the procedure outlined in [1]. To construct the dataset, we first sample uniformly distributed vectors $\vec{x} \in (0, 2\pi]^n$ and apply the feature map

$$|\Phi(\vec{x})\rangle = U_{\Phi(\vec{x})} H^{\otimes n} U_{\Phi(\vec{x})} H^{\otimes n} |0^{\otimes n}\rangle$$

where

$$U_{\Phi(\vec{x})} = \exp\left(i \sum_{S \subseteq [n]} \phi_S(\vec{x}) \prod_{i \in S} Z_i\right)$$

and

$$\begin{cases} \phi_{\{i,j\}} = (\pi - x_i)(\pi - x_j) \\ \phi_{\{i\}} = x_i \end{cases}$$

We then attribute labels to the vectors according to the rule

$$m(\vec{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \langle \Phi(\vec{x}) | V^\dagger \prod_i Z_i V | \Phi(\vec{x}) \rangle > \Delta \\ -1 & \langle \Phi(\vec{x}) | V^\dagger \prod_i Z_i V | \Phi(\vec{x}) \rangle < -\Delta \end{cases}$$

where Δ is the separation gap, and $V \in \text{SU}(4)$ is a random unitary.

The current implementation only works with $n = 2$ or 3 .

Image Source: [Qiskit](#)

Implementation

The Simulation

- Initialisation
- Generating candidates
- Optimizing candidates
- Our additions

Image Source: [Supplementary Material](#)

Algorithm 1 Quantum kernel optimization for SVM

Input:

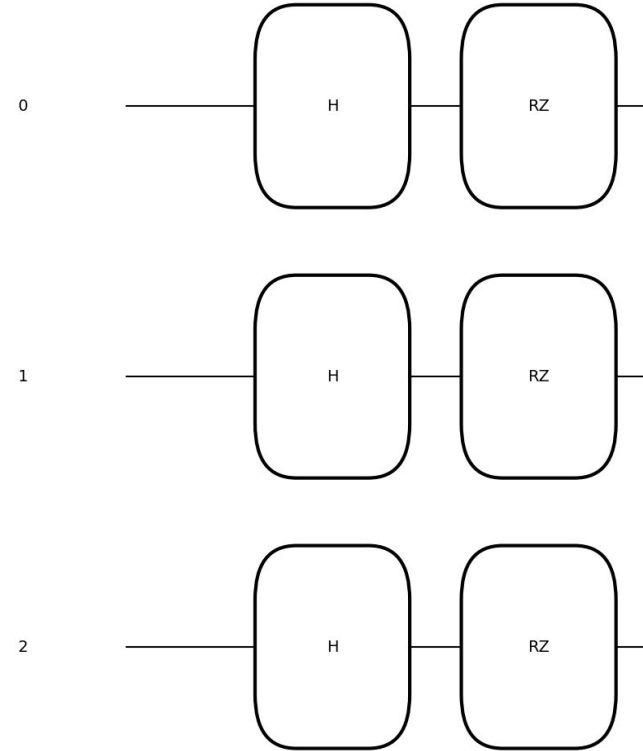
- (i) Classification data set $\{\mathbf{x}, y\}$: including training, validation;
- (ii) A set of quantum gates;
- (iii) L_{\max} : number of quantum circuit (QC) layers;
- (iv) K : number of QCs for local search;
- (v) M : number QCs with optimized parameters;
- (vi) \mathcal{N} : maximum number of iterations in Bayesian optimization (BO).

Output: An optimized QC architecture with optimized gate parameters θ^*

```
1: Build a QC that encodes inputs into gate parameters
2: Initialize list OptimalQC with  $K$  identical QCs
3: for All  $1 < L \leq L_{\max}$  do
4:   for Each element in OptimalQC do
5:     for All possible gate combinations in layer  $L$  do
6:       Append a layer of gates to QC
7:       Compute the quantum kernel  $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$ 
8:       Train an SVM model with  $k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$ 
9:       Convert outputs of SVM to probabilistic predictions
10:      Calculate BIC with the validation set
11:    end for
12:  end for
13:  Sort all resulting quantum kernels by BIC in increasing order
14:  Replace list OptimalQC with  $K$  lowest BIC entries
15:  for  $M \leq K$  QCs with lowest BIC  $\in$  OptimalQC do
16:    while iteration  $\leq \mathcal{N}$  do
17:      Determine the gate parameters  $\theta$  using the acquisition function of BO
18:    end while
19:    Assign the resulting gate parameters to  $\theta^*$ 
20:  end for
21: end for
```

Initialisation

- Initialise to $|+\rangle$
- Data Rotations



Generating candidates

- Recursive function
- Checks for CNOT collisions
- No repeated gates
- Calculate BIC and AIC

```
2 def gate_combinations_sub(  
3     qubits: int, previous_layer: tuple[int]  
4 ) → Generator[tuple[int, ...], None, None]:  
5     if qubits == 0:  
6         yield ()  
7     else:  
8         for combination in gate_combinations_sub(qubits - 1, previous_layer):  
9             yield combination + (0,) # Identity  
10            if previous_layer[qubits - 1] != 1:  
11                yield combination + (1,) # Hadamard  
12            if previous_layer[qubits - 1] != 2:  
13                yield combination + (2,) # R_z  
14            for offset in range(1, len(combination) + 1): # CNOT gates  
15                if (  
16                    combination[-offset] == 0  
17                    and all(  
18                        combination[-offset + o] != o + 2 for o in range(1, offset + 1)  
19                    )  
20                    and previous_layer[qubits - 1] != offset + 2  
21                ):  
22                    yield combination + (offset + 2,)
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Optimizing candidates

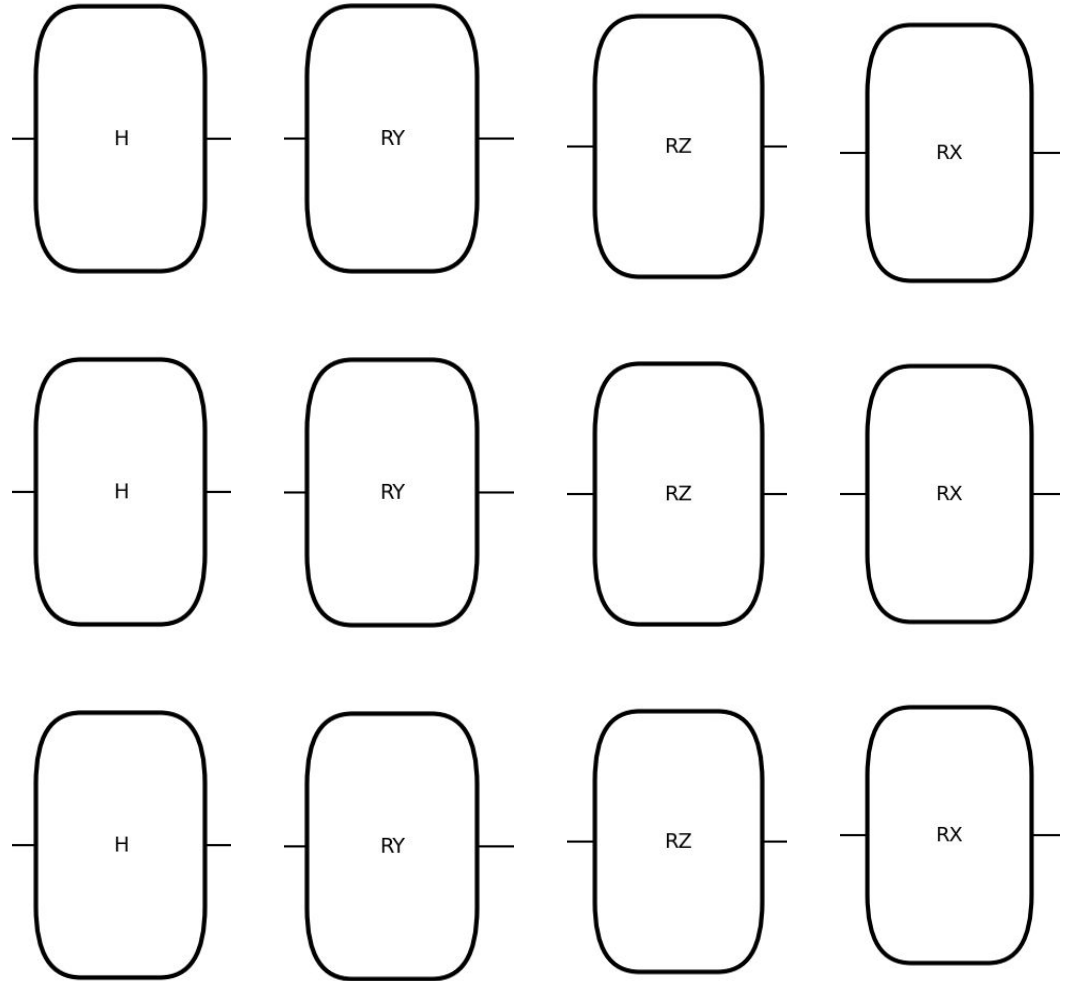
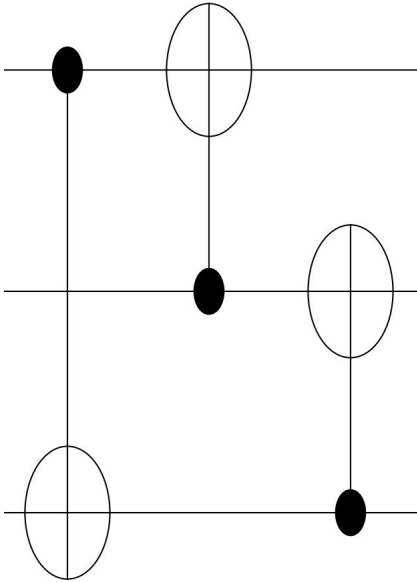
- Sort on criterion
- Take top M
- Optimize R_z parameters
- Bayesian optimization
 - 10 starting points
 - 15 steps

Testing the outcomes

- Test accuracy
- Separate dataset
- Much larger than training/validation
- Tests the BIC validity

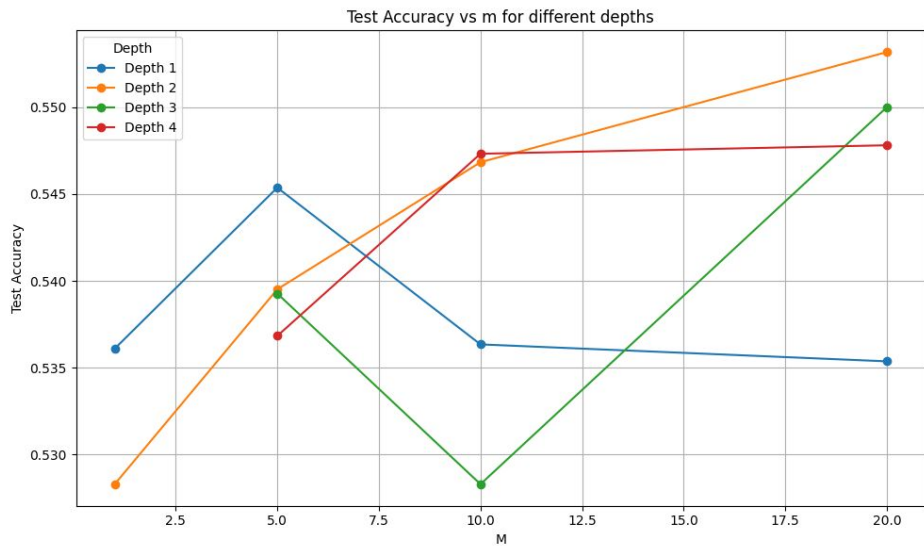
Fixed Layers

- No per-qubit generation
- 5 types of layers

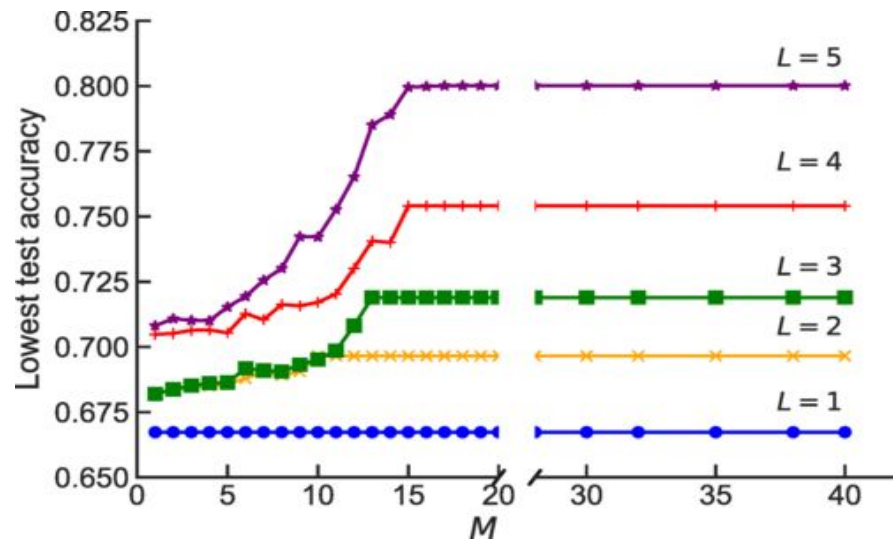


Results

Accuracy vs M

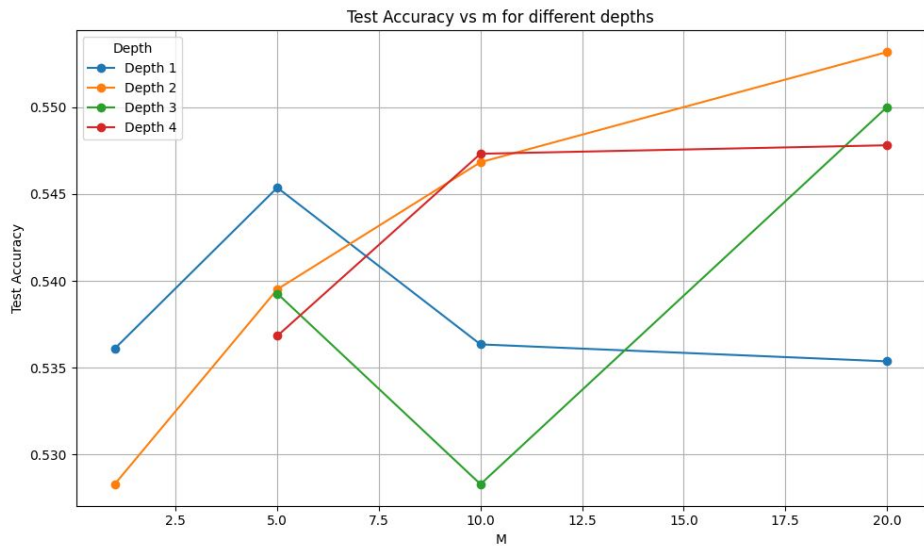


Our simulation

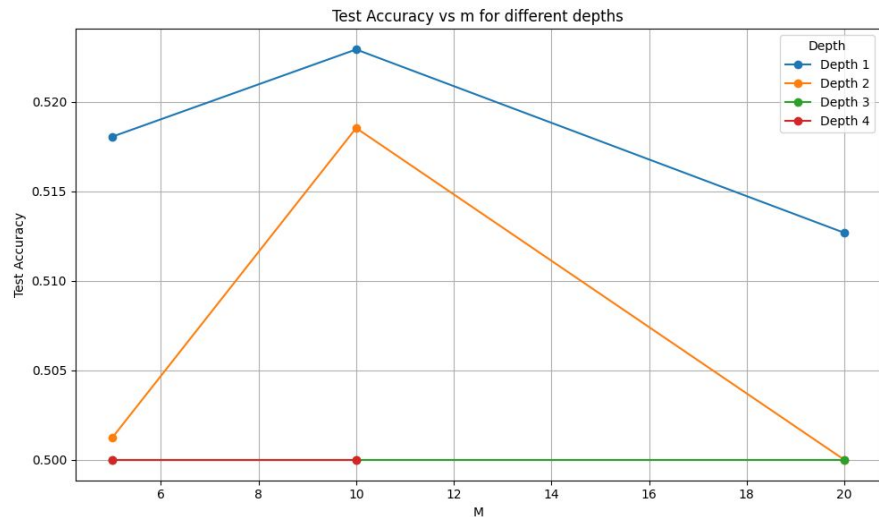


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Accuracy vs M for fixed set of layers

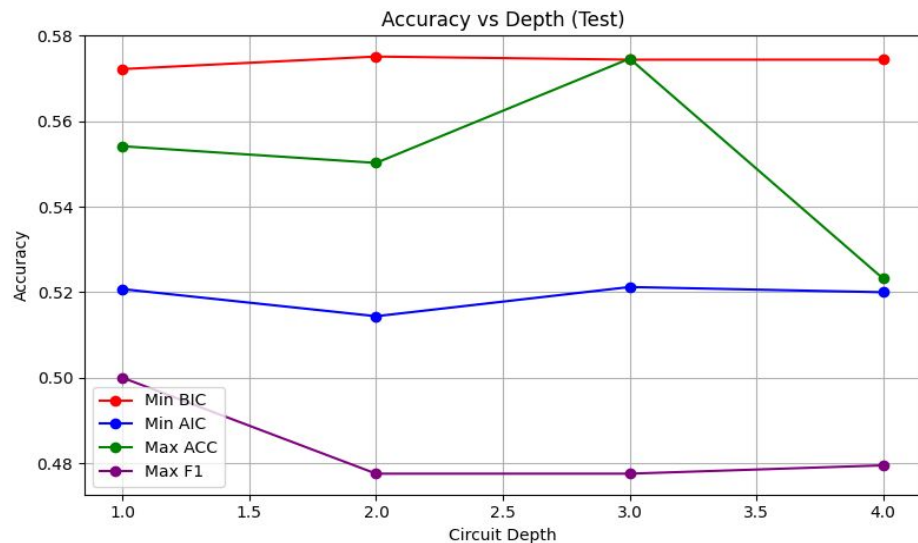


Original Gate Set

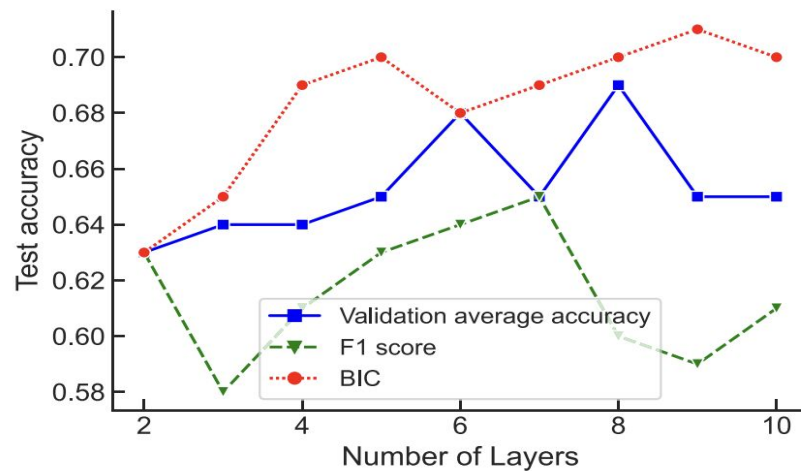


Fixed set of layers

Kernel Selection Metrics

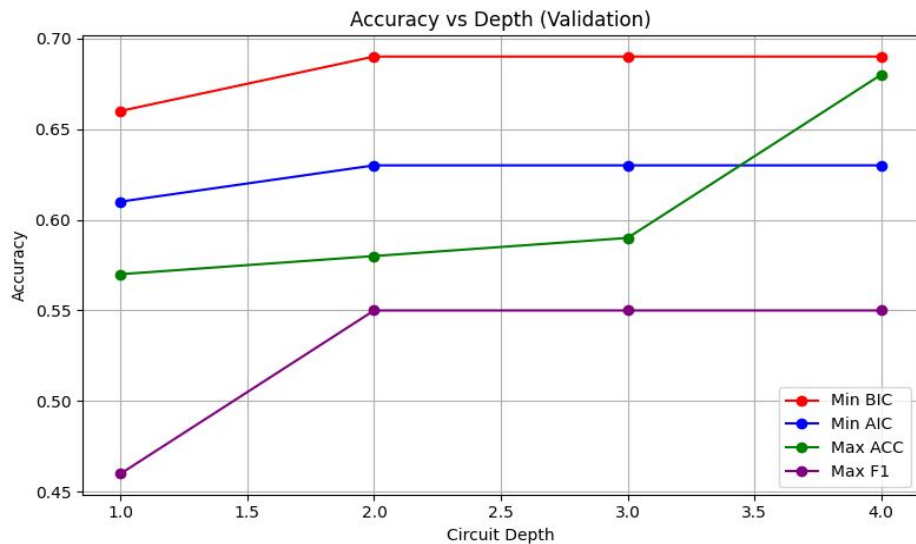


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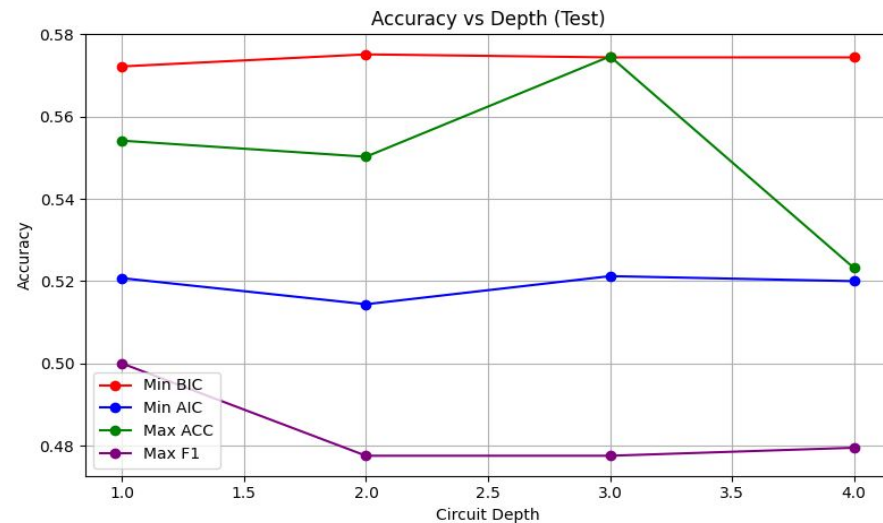


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Kernel Selection Metrics: Validation vs Test

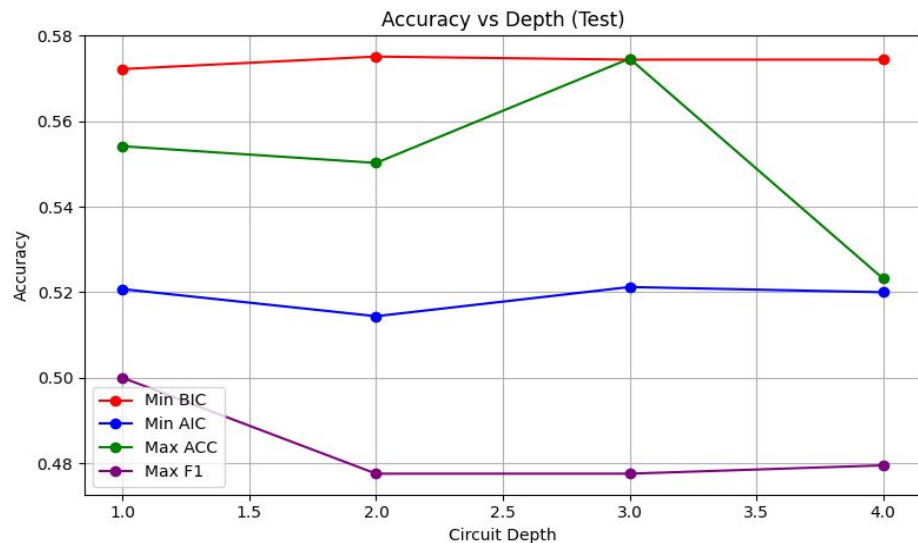


Validation Accuracies

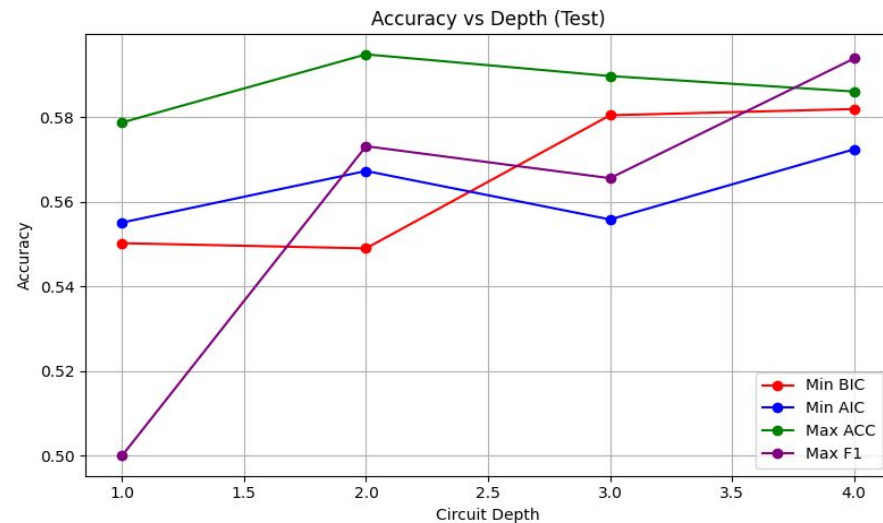


Test Accuracies

Kernel Selection Metrics: Varying Dataset

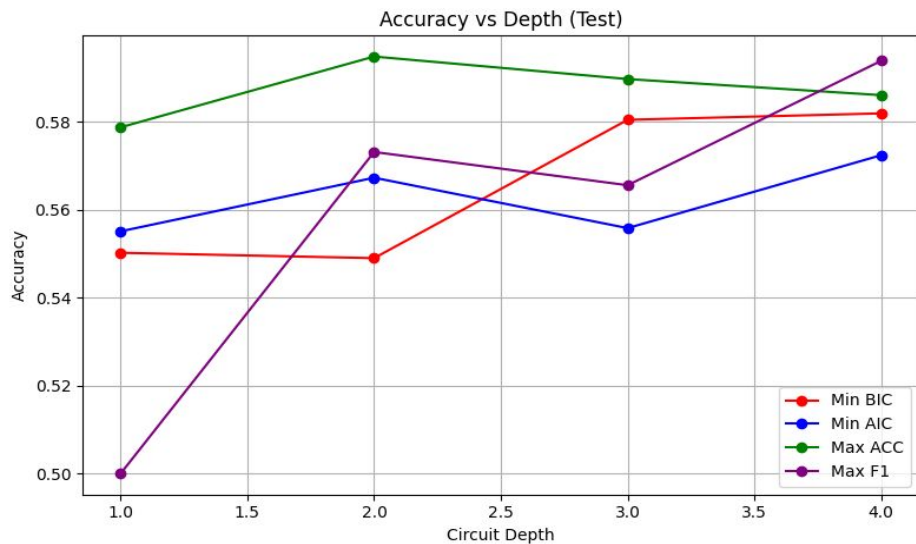


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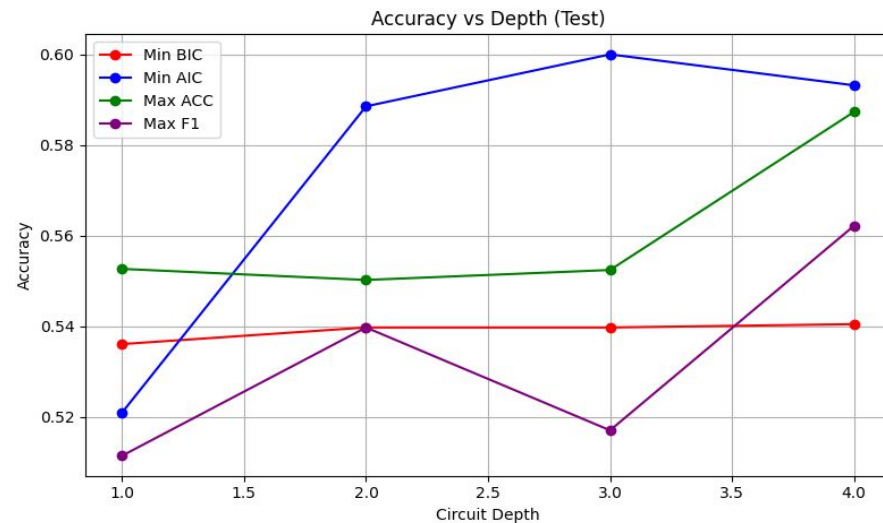


Gap = 0.5

Kernel Selection Metrics: Varying Initial Points



Initial Points = 10



Initial Points = 5

Conclusion and Outlook

- While unable to reproduce all results
 - Kernel selection metrics
 - AIC between F1 and accuracy, worse than BIC
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- More datapoints for comparisons
 - Continue trying to replicate results
 - Try AICc as well

Paper Followed: [Compositional optimization of quantum circuits for quantum kernels of support vector machines](#)

Pitfalls we found

- Initially using R_x gates instead of R_z for initialisation
- We didn't initially include x_k in the R_z gates
- Initial points versus number of calls in Bayesian Optimization
- Direction of CNOT gates

Questions

Our code

<https://github.com/itepastra/aqa> contains all the code used to generate our images