## Quantum-inspired machine learning



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Non-linear feature map $\Psi(\boldsymbol{x})$, e.g.

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\Psi\left(x_{i}\right)=\left(x_{i, 1}, x_{i, 2}, x_{i, 1}^{2}+x_{i, 2}^{2}\right)
$$

with $\mathcal{M}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\Psi)=W_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \cdot \Psi(\boldsymbol{x})$ able to classify, but involving high computational complexity!

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Multiple spins may interact subsequently


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$$
H=\operatorname{CNOT} R_{y}\left(\theta_{1}\right) \otimes R_{y}\left(\theta_{2}\right)
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Example: binary features

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
x_{1}=1 & \longrightarrow & \psi_{\uparrow} \\
x_{2}=0 & \longrightarrow & \psi_{\downarrow}
\end{array}
$$

$$
H \psi_{\uparrow} \otimes \psi_{\downarrow}=\operatorname{CNOT}\binom{\cos \left(\theta_{1}\right)}{\sin \left(\theta_{1}\right)} \otimes\binom{-\sin \left(\theta_{2}\right)}{\cos \left(\theta_{2}\right)}
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& R_{y}\left(\theta_{3}\right) \otimes \mathbb{M} \quad \text { measurement }
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## Tree tensor network encoding



Ising model ground state: $\quad H=-\sum_{j} \sigma_{z}^{(j)} \sigma_{z}^{(j+1)}$

$$
a \psi_{\uparrow}+b \psi_{\downarrow} \xrightarrow{\text { encoding }} \quad a \psi_{\uparrow} \otimes \psi_{\uparrow} \cdots \otimes \psi_{\uparrow}+b \psi_{\downarrow} \otimes \psi_{\downarrow} \cdots \otimes \psi_{\downarrow}
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Lymphangiogenesis \& Lymphatic vessel remodelling

Dilation of collecting lymphatic vessels

Lymphangiogenesis \& remodelling prior to tumour cell arrival

Distant organ metastasis (establishment of metastatic niche)
Tumour cells O Growth factors/Cytokines O Extracellular vesicles Lymphatic vessels

Our dataset: 634 patients with 214 lymph nodes metastasis
Purpose of the study: detection of lymph nodes metastasis in a pre-operative stage

- age


## Patients' features: Tumour features:

- diameter
- grading
- PgR
- in situ component - Ki67
- multiplicity
- HER2/neu
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The score threshold characterizes a single classifier and its variation in the interval $[0,1]$ defines a family of classifiers, whose performances are summarized by receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curves, using the area under the ROC curve (AUC).


Classifier selection according to Youden test through the maximization of

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J=\text { sensitivity }- \text { specificity }+1
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A feature selection is implemented for any variables pair in our quantum classifier:

$\psi_{2}$ diameter feature is mapped in $\psi_{1}$ for shaded bars.

## Features selection

Maintaining the best features pair (diameter, PgR ), we compare two not equivalent scheme for three feature, yielding grading and Ki67:


## Summary \& outlook

|  | AUC (\%) | Accuracy (\%) |
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| Classical (6 features) | $70.8(70.3-71.1)$ | $69.8(69.3-70.2)$ |
| Classical (3 features) | $67.4(67.4-67.5)$ | $61.7(60.6-62.8)$ |
| Quantum (2 features) | $63.1(62.7-63.3)$ | $65.5(65.1-65.8)$ |
| Quantum (3 features) | $64.7(64.1-65.1)$ | $69.5(61.8-70.2)$ |
| Quantum (3 features) | $59.5(59.1-59.8)$ | $65.3(64.7-65.9)$ |

- Quantum circuits offer a promising model for complex systems;
- classification performances of our tutorial model still miss a possible clinical application;
- further improvements are related with computational complexity reduction to manage quantum states in higher dimensions.


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## Questions/Comments?



