### Integration of quantum computing into transformer architectures for High Energy Physics

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### Overview

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### Introduction

#### **Background & Motivation:**

- O HEP: Understanding fundamental particles and forces. O Large datasets, complex computations, advanced simulations.
- O Transformers in HEP: event classification and pattern recognition.

### Why Integrate Quantum Computing with Transformers in HEP?

- O Massive amounts of data require substantial computational power.
- O Quantum-enhanced transformers may offer better performance in processing and analysing HEP data.
- O Integrating cutting-edge quantum technologies.

#### **Goals and Objectives:**

- O Leveraging quantum computing for improved models.
- Combining classical and quantum computations.
- O Design and evaluate hybrid models & develop quantum algorithms.







# Transformer Architecture

#### ☐ It consists of the encoder only.



# Hybrid-Quantum Transformer

- □ We add a quantum layer to the attention block.
- It encodes the data and then passes them to a linear layer to produce the attention components.



# Quantum embedding layer

Use a variational quantum circuit:

**O** Qubit numbers depend on the variables  $(\vec{x})$ 

**O** Randomly initiated weights of  $\vec{\theta}$ 

- O Weighted average of measurement results
- ] Assume that we have a quantum circuit with three qubits:
  - O(N=100, C=6) (N=100, 2<sup>n-qubits</sup>=8)
  - O Use PCA to reduce the dimension to (N=100, C=6)
  - O Normalise the outcomes by the measurements
- The quantum circuit is computed *N* times.











□ The signal  $(e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma jj)$  & background  $(e^+e^- \rightarrow (Z/\gamma^*)\gamma\gamma)$  with 50k events



# Comparison: ROC curve

- The hybrid-quantum transformer vs the transformer.
- ☐ The hybrid-quantum transformer is not fully optimised.
- □ Possible optimisation would be:
  - O Quantum circuit: SPSA and COBYLA
  - **O** Transformer parameters:  $h, N, d_{model}$  ...
- A quick scan of the hyperparameters of the transformer model was used.



# Comparison: Accuracy vs Epochs



The hybrid-quantum Transformer (left) and the Transformer (right).





# Comparison: Loss vs Epochs



The hybrid-quantum Transformer (left) and the Transformer (right).





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# Testing the transformer architecture using LHC data

- Twenty-one low-level kinematic properties were measured by the particle detectors.
- Seven high-level features were derived from the twentyone features.
- ☐ The train, validation and testing: 2.6M, 100k and 500k.
- A quick scan of the hyperparameters of the transformer model was used.

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# Testing the transformer architecture using LHC data

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The accuracy (left) and the loss (right) against the number of epochs.

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# Quantum Transformer

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This is still experimental work towards building a pure-quantum transformer inspired by ArXiv: 2205.05625.

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# Quantum Transformer

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"keys" and "query".

 $\Box$  Measuring the expectation value for Pauli operators: {X, Y, Z} for each qubit. This is taken as "values".  $\Box$  In addition, we measure the expectation for the Z Pauli operator for two of the Ansatz to represent the

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# Remarks

- Qiskit has implemented parallel simulation using <u>cuQuantum</u> (Nvidia's GPU quantum circuit simulator):
  - O <u>cuTensorNet</u> based on the <u>tensor network</u> approach
  - O <u>cuStateVec</u> based on the state vector approach
- However, one should not rely only on GPUS to seek speed-up.
- Currently, the hybrid-quantum transformer runs for about two days for 50k events with the CEPC data.
- Optimising the hyperparameters of the transformer is tricky.
- ☐ Most of the applications of quantum machine learning do not show superiority to conventional learning.
- However, in some quantum generative models, it appears to perform better in data generation.

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Discussed the role of transformers in HEP event classification and pattern recognition. ] Highlighted the challenges in HEP and the potential benefits of integrating quantum computing. Explained the integration of a quantum layer into the transformer architecture. Described the use of variational quantum circuits for enhancing attention mechanisms. Presented the performance comparison between hybrid-quantum and classical transformers. Outlined the steps towards developing a pure-quantum transformer.

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