



Objectives for this session:

To briefly explore and explain Quantum Data Science and Quantum Machine Learning all in less than 30 mins

QDS vs. QML vs. QAI and their aims
ML vs QML and QML applications
Parameterised Quantum Circuits (PQC)
Variational Quantum Algorithms (VQA)

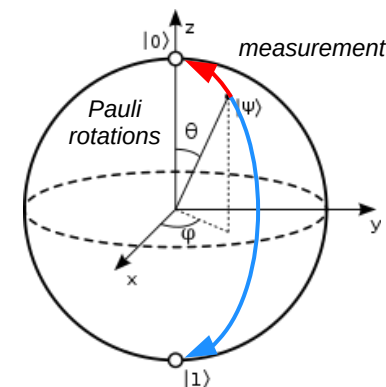
QML principles via Quantum AE

- Model function and structure (symmetry, info loss and info preservation)
- Model training / optimisation (reversibility, gradients and nondeterminism)

QML readings
Summary

Introduction to Quantum Data Science / QML

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Quantum Data Science vs. Quantum Machine Learning

Quantum machine learning: *tools*

is a field of study applying methods and theories of quantum mechanics,
to redefine machine learning concepts and techniques,
for developing and applying new *learning tools, algorithms and models*

Quantum Data Science: *knowledge*

is a field using *scientific methods* + principles of quantum mechanics,
to create new approaches to extracting and analysing insights, patterns, and meaning from data,
for problem solving / decision-making

Quantum AI: *application*

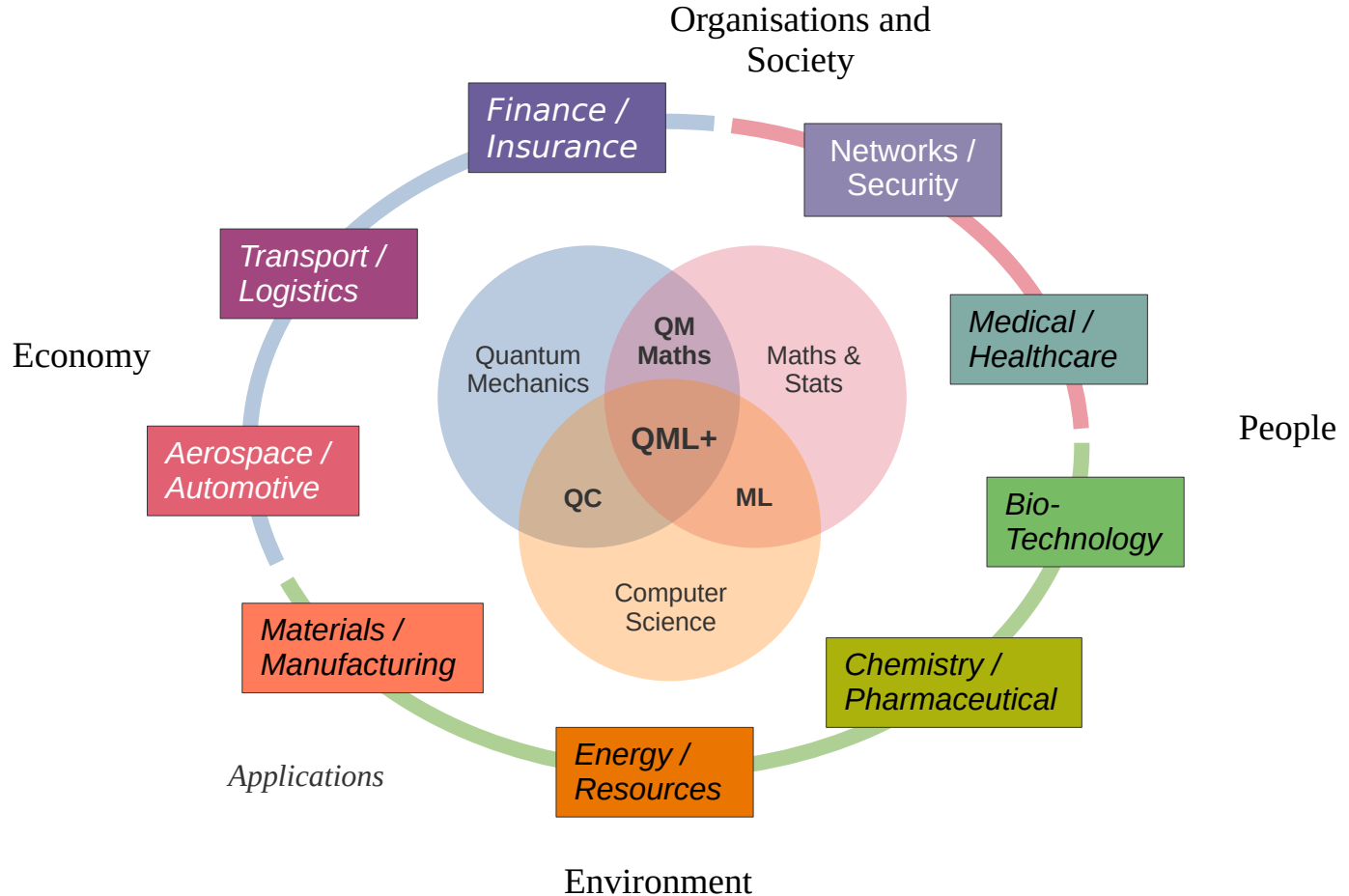
is a field focusing on applying quantum computing,
to develop new highly effective technologies,
for performing tasks attributed to human cognition, with *effectiveness approaching human intelligence*

QML+

Quantum ML+

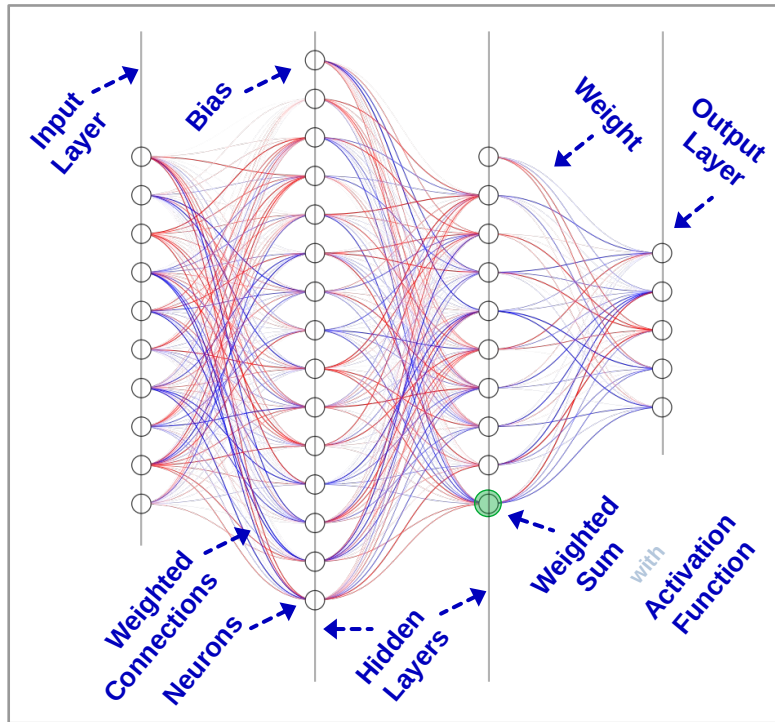
aims of this session

In this session we will explain the principles of Q ML / Q Data Science

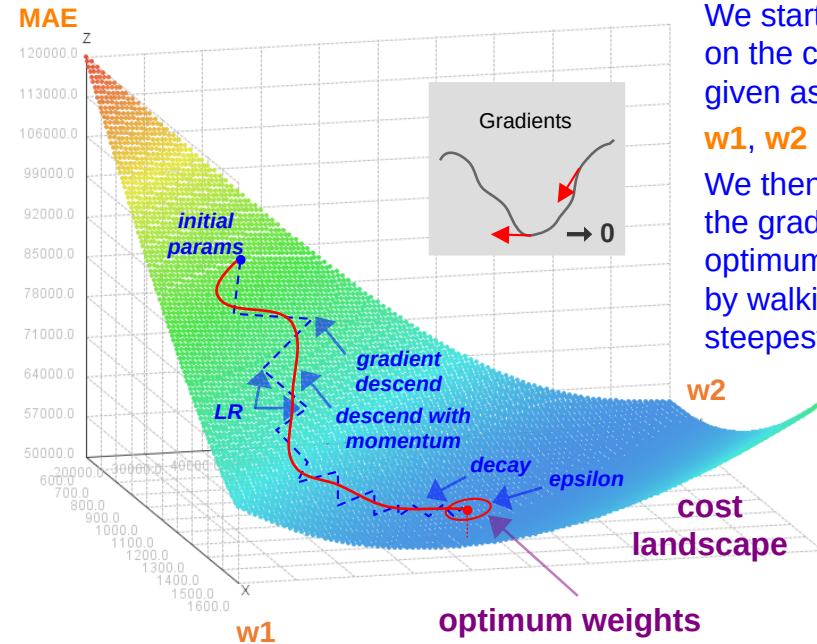


Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)

A class of Neural Network (NN) models



Now we will look for the best NN model, i.e. the model weights which generate the model of the lowest cost (e.g. MAE)



Gradient descent:

We start at any point on the cost landscape given as:

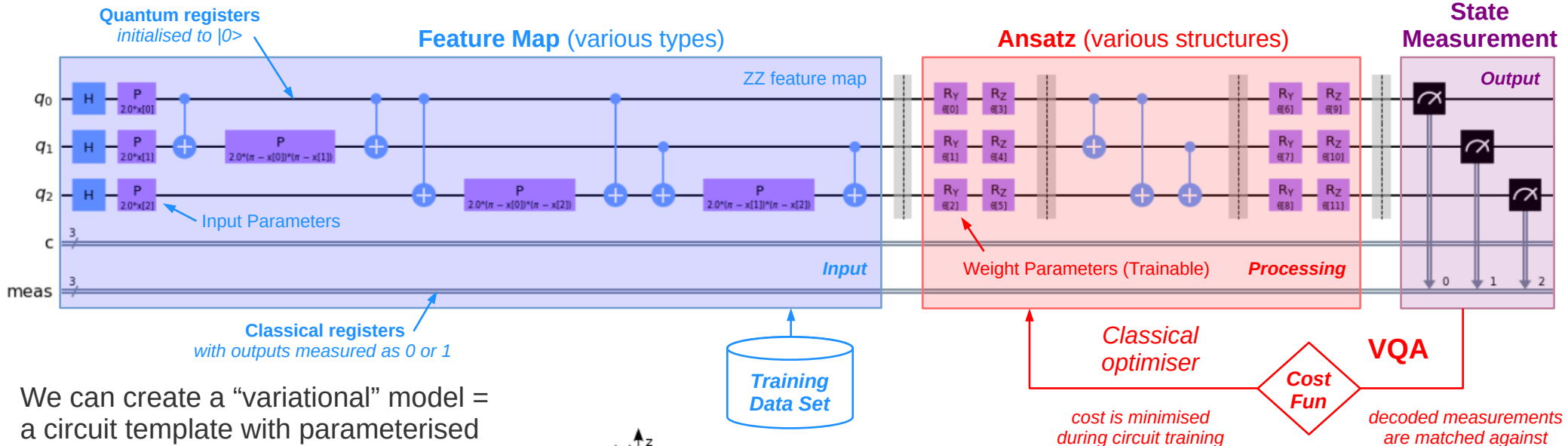
w1, w2 ... and MAE

We then search for the **gradient=0**, i.e. optimum weights, by walking down the steepest slope

optimum weights at min(MAE) ≡ gradient → 0

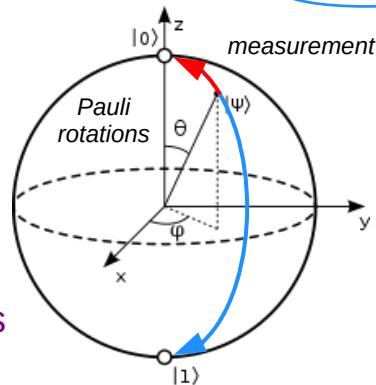
Parameterized Quantum Circuits (PQC) & Variational Quantum Algorithms (VQA)

The majority of circuit operations are **unitary**, i.e. they are reversible and norm-preserving.
Measurement and qubit reset are not unitary.



We can create a “variational” model = a circuit template with parameterised gates, e.g. $P(a)$, $R_y(a)$ or $R_z(a)$, each allowing rotation of a qubit state in x , y or z axis (as per Bloch sphere).

Typically (but now always), circuits consist of three functional blocks, i.e. **feature map**, **ansatz** and **measurements** (not necessarily in this order).

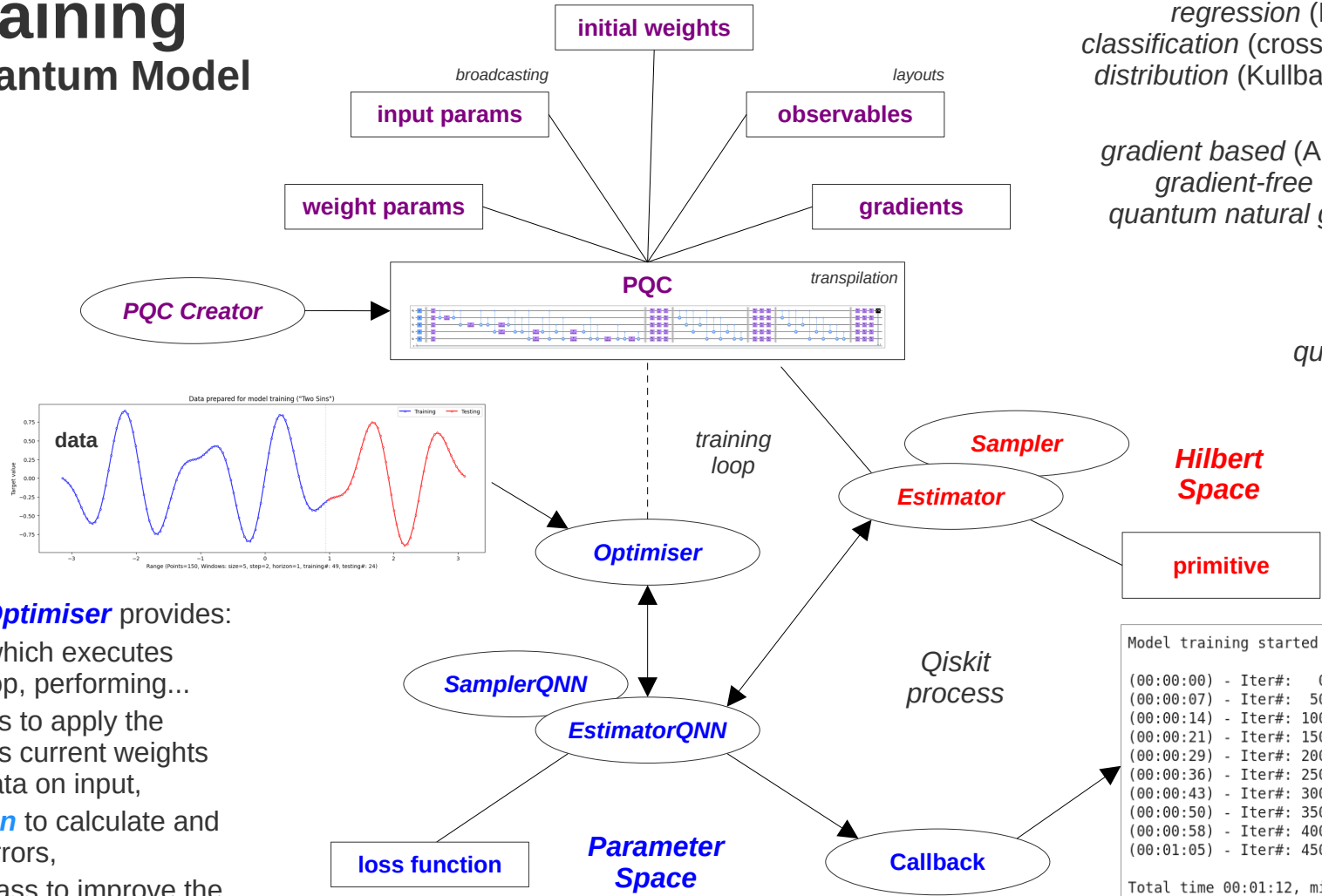


Feature map encodes (embeds) classical input data into its input parameters, setting the model’s initial quantum state.

Ansatz evolves the quantum state, it consists of trainable quantum gates, weight params trained by a classic optimiser

Measurements determine the circuit final state and convert it into the model’s output in the form of classical data.

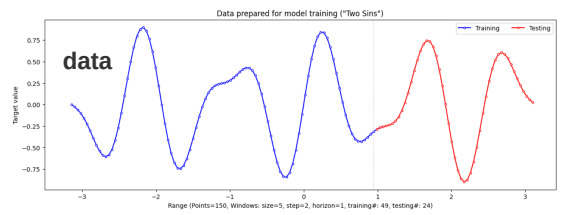
Training Quantum Model



different loss / cost functions for:
regression (R2, MAE, MSE, Poisson)
classification (cross-entropy, softmax, hinge)
distribution (Kullback-Leibner, Wasserstein)

different optimisers:
gradient based (Adam, NAdam and SPSA)
gradient-free (COBYLA, Nelder-Mead)
quantum natural gradient optimiser (QNG)

circuit execution on:
simulators (CPUs)
accelerators (GPUs)
quantum machines (QPUs)



A classical **Optimiser** provides:
fit function which executes a training loop, performing...
forward pass to apply the model with its current weights to training data on input,
loss function to calculate and aggregate errors,
backward pass to improve the model weights.

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Model training started      training log
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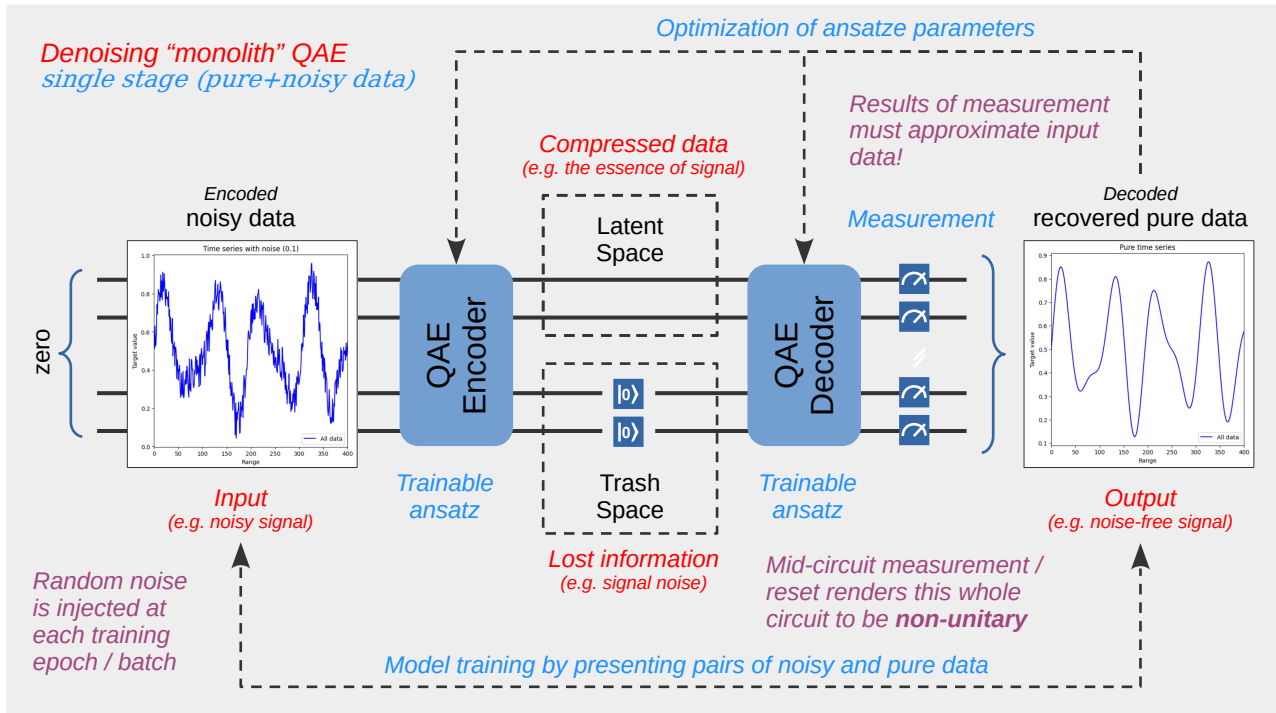
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Example: QAE

Denoising Quantum Autoencoder

Definitions and terminology

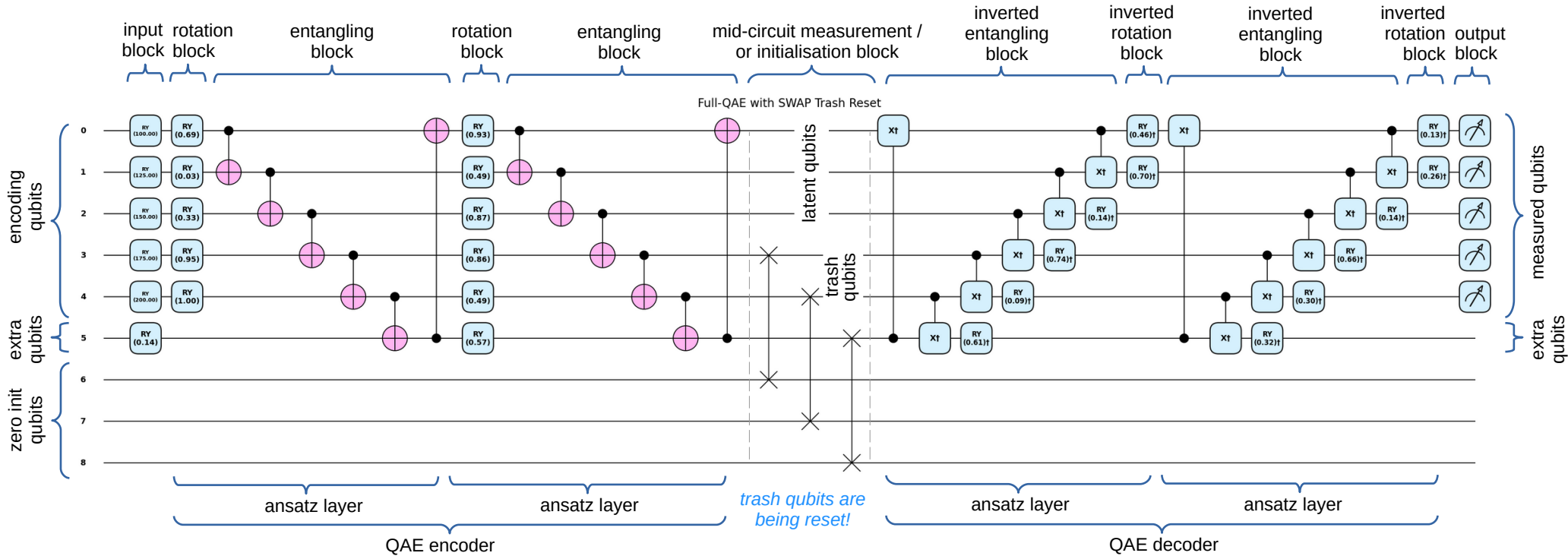


QAEs are quantum models made of the following components:

- Quantum model: a circuit of N qubits to match time series windows of N values
- Input encoder: a quantum feature map embedding a window of noisy classical TS
- QAE encoder: an ansatz consisting of trainable parameter blocks and entangling blocks, compressing N qubits into n qubits ($n < N$)
- Latent space: representing the essential features of the window on input
- Trash space: representing information lost in QAE training, such as signal noise, reinitialised to prevent flow of information to the decoder
- QAE decoder: an ansatz consisting of trainable parameter blocks and entangling blocks, decompressing n qubits into N qubits ($n < N$)
- Output layer: a measurement block resulting in classical data, which can be interpreted as a TS window of N values with reduced noise

Anatomy of the “monolith” QAE

PennyLane circuit



The “monolith” QAE could potentially have lots of weights, so its training can be expensive. We can reorganise this process by training the QAE encoder and QAE decoder separately. By doing so, we can gain in training speed, however, likely reducing denoising effectiveness.

Replicating QAE with half-QAE

Consider an angle encoding TS QAE consisting of encoder and decoder unitaries that have mirror image structures, i.e. a QAE Decoder and its *adjoint* (complex conjugate transpose = inverse) QAE Decoder[†] used as QAE Encoder.

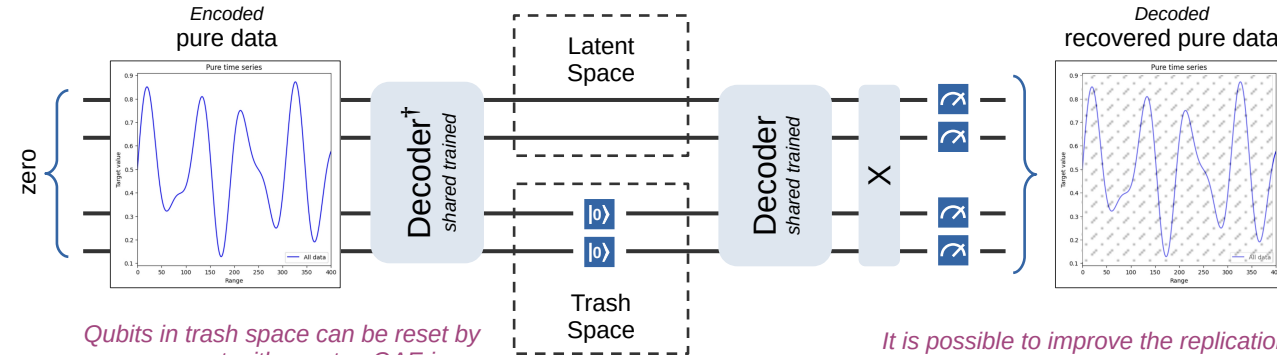
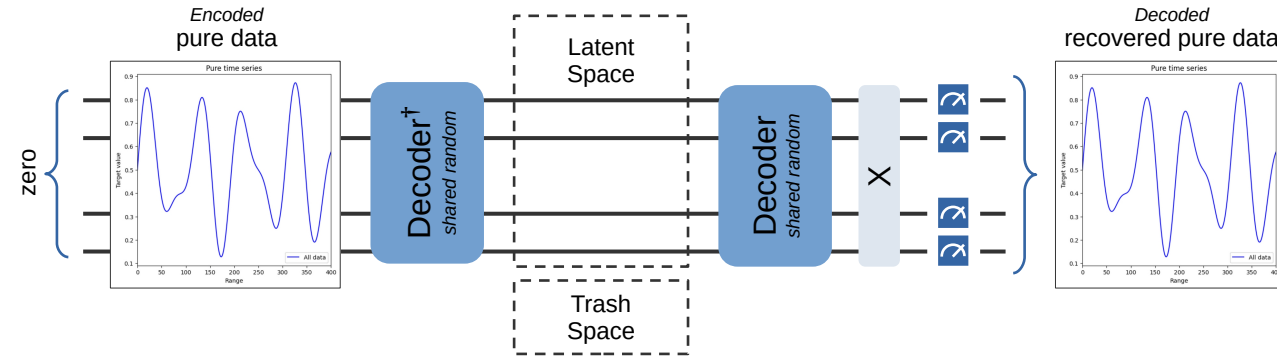
When the latent space spans all qubits, there is no loss of information, and so the QAE is a unitary.

As the QAE Encoder is an inverse of the QAE Decoder, they cancel each other operations.

This means that on output the QAE will always produce an adjoint of its input (upside-down TS).

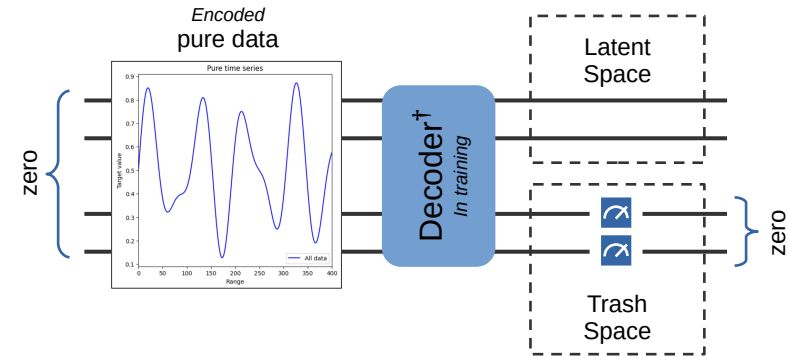
In angle encoding, this can be corrected with a block of X operations on each qubit.

When we reset trash space, we start losing information flowing from the encoder to decoder.



Qubits in trash space can be reset by measurement-with-reset → QAE is no longer unitary; alternatively with the SWAP operation → QAE stays unitary

It is possible to improve the replication performance by breaking the weight symmetry, however, we are no longer able to rely on the half-QAE training



However, we can train the QAE Encoder / Decoder to reduce this information loss, while preserving their mirror structure and symmetric weights.

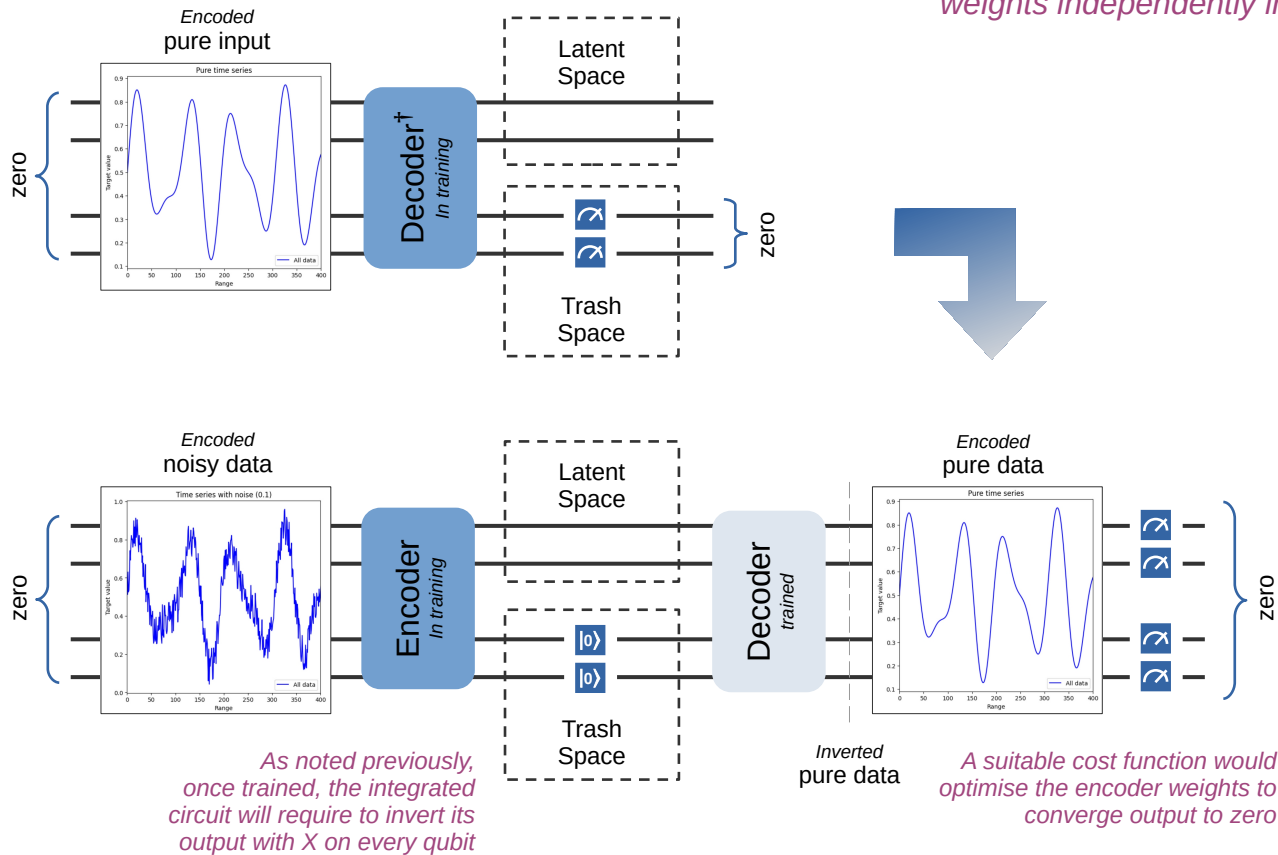
As QAE Encoder is an adjoint of QAE Decoder, **training only QAE Decoder[†] is enough**, e.g. by ensuring most of its information flows through the latent space, i.e. by converging trash to zero.

Denoising TS with Stacked half-QAEs

There is a widely held belief that replicating QAEs, which can be trained by using only their QAE Decoder, are capable of reducing the signal on input to its most essential information and remove all infrequent, noisy or inessential information.

However, replicating QAEs perform poorly in noise reduction.

An alternative is to break weight symmetry and use all QAE weights independently in training.



We will train the denoising QAE in two phases.

Phase 1: Training inverted QAE Decoder using pure data and a cost function aiming to converge trash to zero.

Phase 2: Training a QAE Encoder with noisy data, in combination with an adjoint of the previously trained QAE Decoder, will produce an inverse of pure data approximation.

In a perfectly functioning QAE this output would cancel pure data encoding, which can be measured as zero.

Summary and Q&A

- QML is an intersection of QC x ML x Maths
- The most common approach to PQC training are VQAs
- Quantum circuit design needs to consider what happens in Hilbert space and what the optimizer does in classical parameter space, both are in conflict
- Training of the hybrid quantum-classical circuit relies on a classical optimizer, and its execution on a quantum machine

- QAE is a quantum model compressing and decompressing information
- QAEs can be used for noise reduction from data on input
- QAEs are great to illustrate quantum model principles
 - Unitaries are reversible and norm preserving quantum operations
 - Standard gates and their combinations are unitaries (except measurement & reset)
 - Application of an adjoint (inverse) U^\dagger of a unitary to U returns identity
 - Information is never lost in unitary circuits (unless measured or decohered)

- In VQA an optimiser is totally blind to what happens in the Hilbert space!



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Jacob's recent projects:

Quantum Information Field Theory (QIFT)
combining Quantum Field Theory with Information Processing

Geometry of the Hilbert space
in hybrid quantum-classical models

Quantum time series analysis
processing of quantum time series and signals, e.g. data encoding, measurement, and model training (such as QNNs, QAEs, QRC, etc.)

Quantum model expressivity and trainability
balancing the model's ability to effectively represent data in the Hilbert space, as well as, its capacity to learn and generalize

Impact of barren plateaus countermeasures on QNN capacity to learn
incl. methods of measuring its capacity

Quantum graph theory
exploration of quantum representation and processing of graphs
e.g. identifying clusters and communities

Foundations of quantum machine learning
Business value of quantum computing and QML

Available resources:

<https://jacobcybulski.com/>
<https://github.com/ironfrown/>



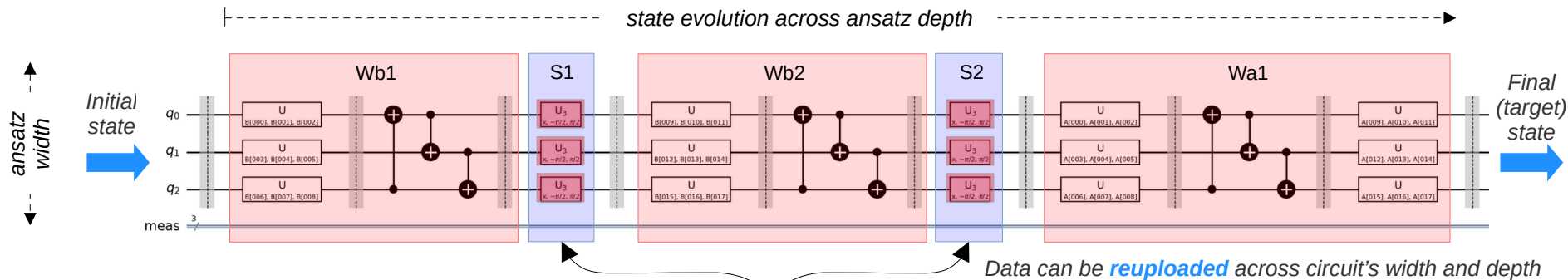
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Appendix

Ansatz design

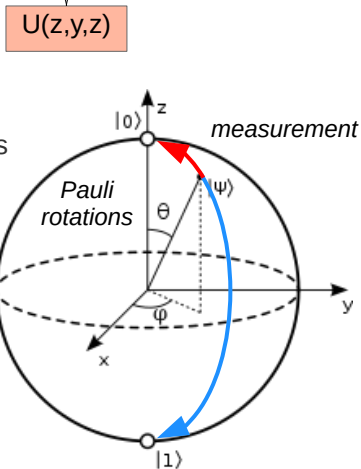


feature maps vary in:
structure and function

ansatze vary in:

- width (number of used qubits)
- depth (longest path from in-to-out)
- dimensions (param #)
- structure (e.g. funnel-in)
- entangling (circular, linear, SCA)

ansatz layers consist of:
rotation blocks and entangling blocks
of $U(z, y, z)$ and CNOT gates
(rotations) (entanglement)



To execute a circuit we just apply it to input data
and the selected weight parameters

Beware that
**adding qubits adds
parameters and entanglements!**

The number of states represented by the
circuit **grows exponentially** with the
number of qubits!

Beware that
**adding a measurement
doubles the number of outcomes!**

So... having n
measurements leads to
 2^n outcomes

Geometric Comparison:

Classical vs. Quantum Neural Networks

Feature	Classical Neural Network (NN)	Quantum Neural Network (QNN)
Fundamental Manifold	Euclidean \mathbb{R}^n (warped by activations)	Complex Projective Space $\mathbb{C}P^{2^n-1}$ (warped by equiv. rel.)
Normalization Strategy	Local/Layer (e.g., Softmax, BatchNorm)	Global (Unitary L_2 norm preservation)
Equivalence Relation	Scale Invariance in ReLU nets ($ReLU(a \cdot x) = a \cdot ReLU(x) \mid a > 0$)	Global Phase Invariance ($ \psi\rangle \sim e^{i\phi} \psi\rangle$)
Metric (Parameter)	Euclidean L_2 Distance	Fubini-Study Metric
Information Geometry	Fisher Information Matrix (FIM)	Quantum Fisher Information Matrix (QFIM)
Loss Landscape	Non-convex, affine-based transformations	Periodic, defined by $SU(2^n)$ rotations
State Representation	Bounded hypercube or open vector space	Generalization of the n-qubit Bloch Sphere