

# A Scalable Quantum-enhanced Neural Network with Non-local Connections

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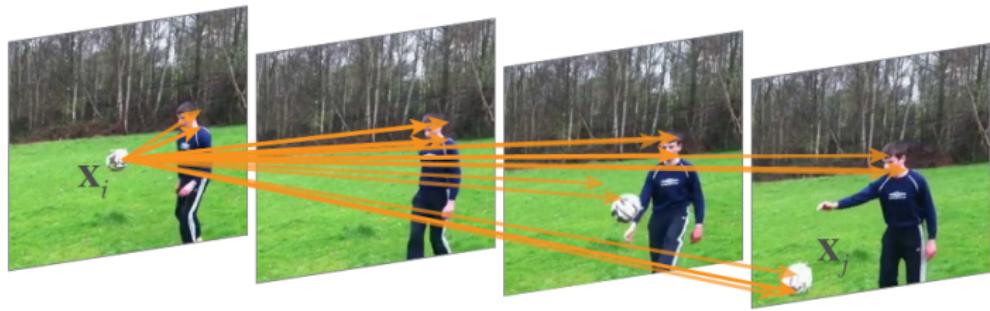


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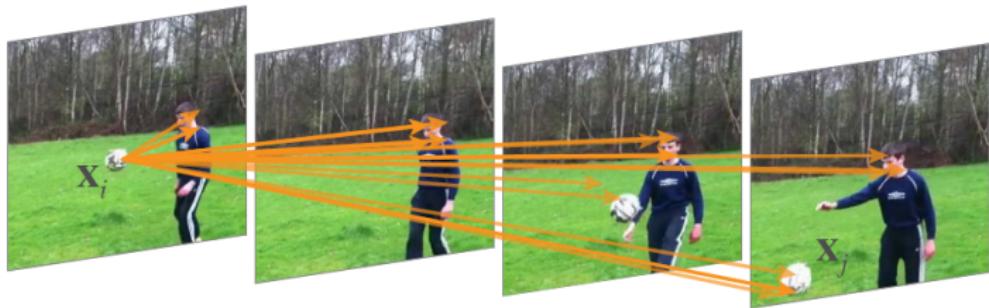


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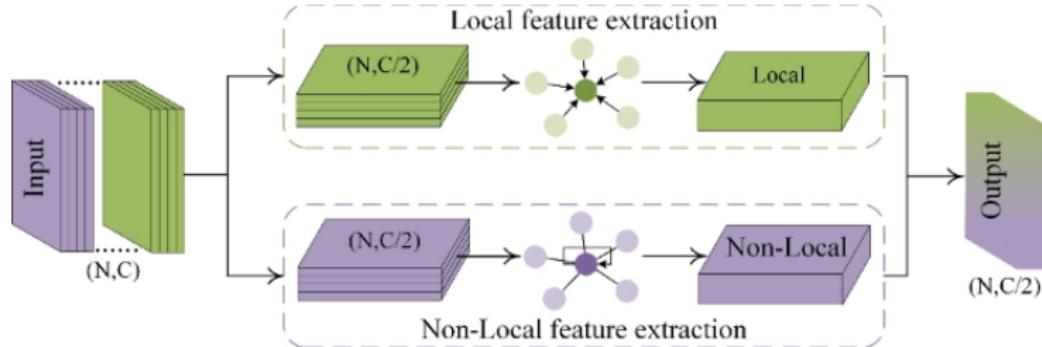


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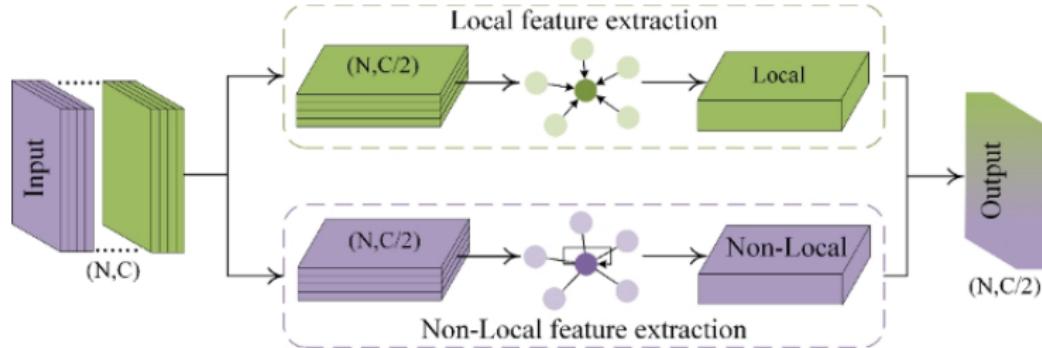


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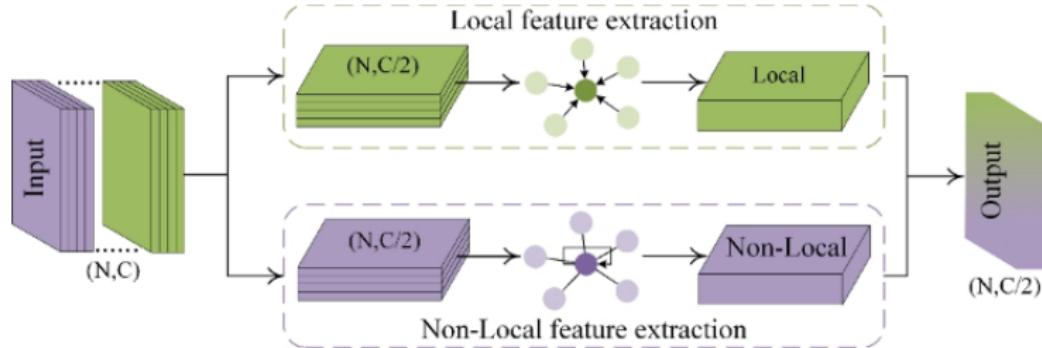


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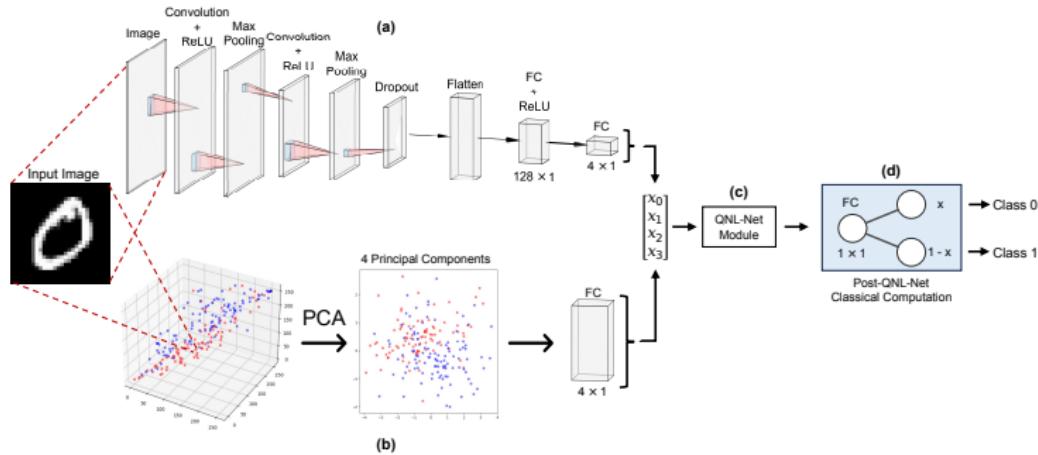
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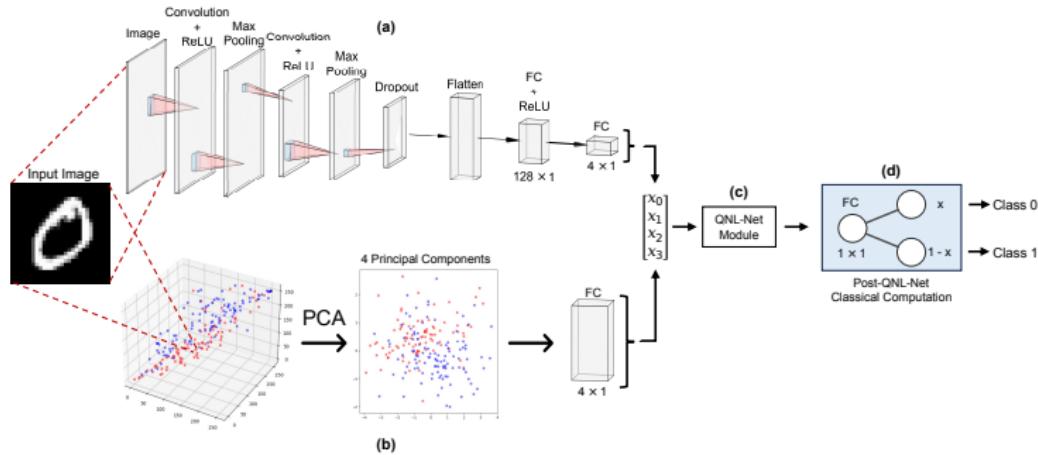


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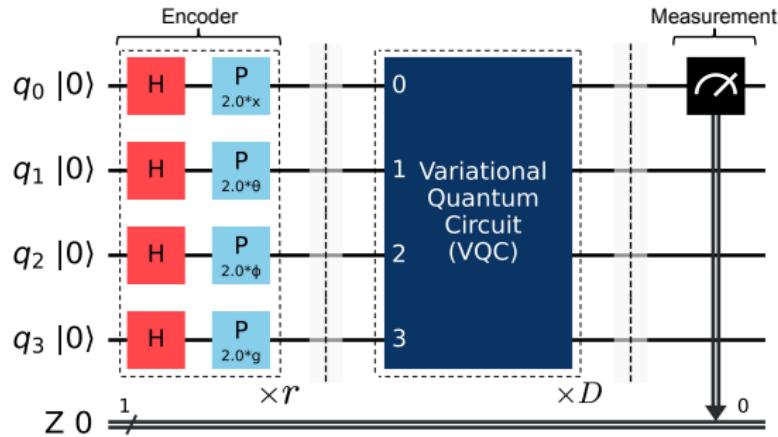
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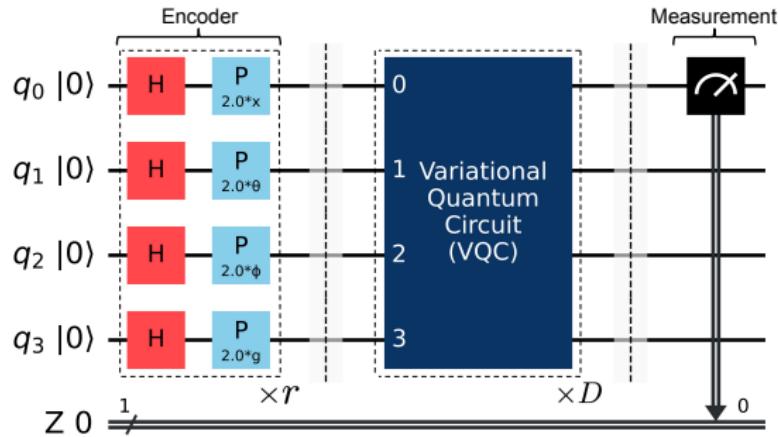
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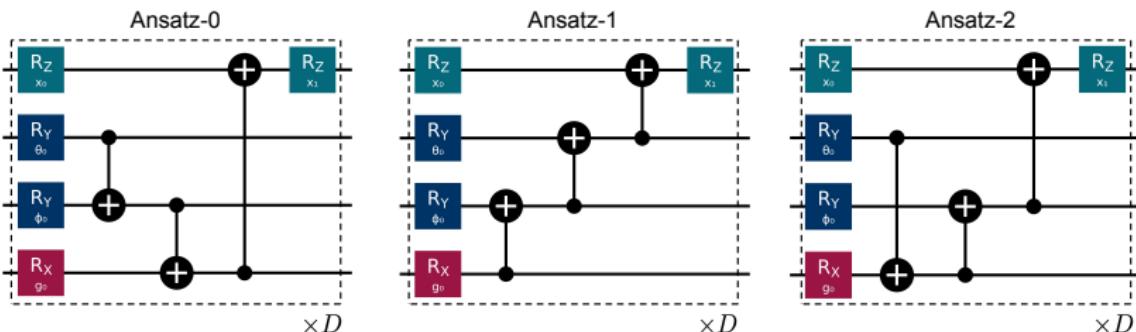


Figure 5: The three ansatzes used as the Variational Quantum Circuits (VQC) in our QNL-Net using  $C_X$  gates (CNOT) are: cyclic pattern (Ansatz-0), reverse linear chain (Ansatz-1), and a mixed pattern (Ansatz-2)<sup>3</sup>.

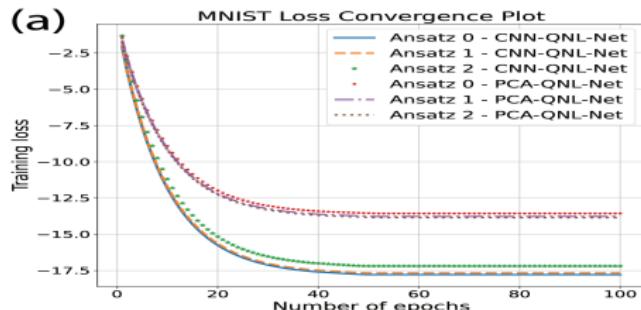
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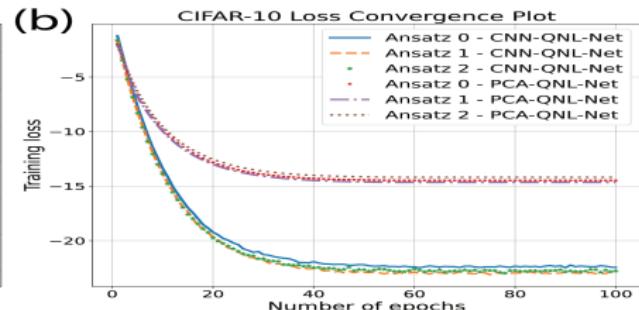
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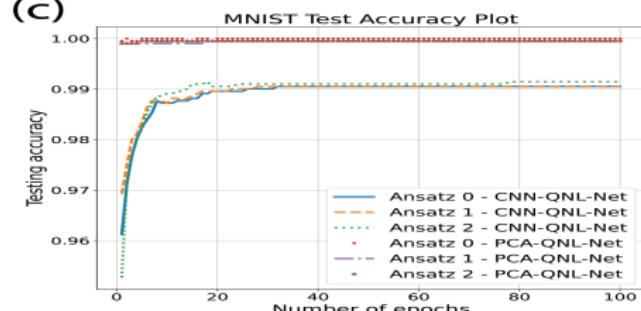
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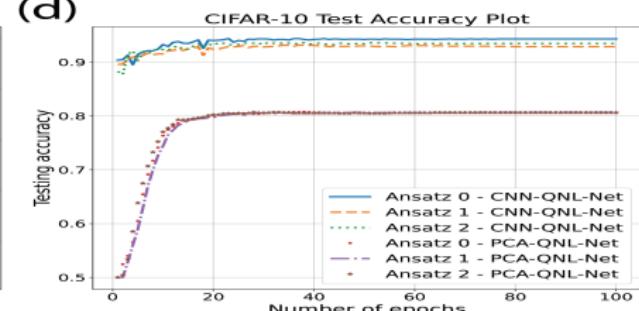


Figure 6: Training loss convergence and test accuracy plots for the CNN-QNL-Net and PCA-QNL-Net models for the three ansatzes with one feature map repetition ( $r = 1$ ) and one ansatz repetition ( $D = 1$ ) on MNIST and CIFAR-10 datasets.

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**Table 1:** Performance of the proposed QNL-Net model on binary classification tasks across datasets: MNIST digits 0 and 1 and CIFAR-10 classes 2 (bird) and 8 (ship).

Dataset	Ansatz	Model	Learning Rate	Train Accuracy	Test Accuracy
MNIST (0, 1)	0	CNN-QNL-Net	$1 \times 10^{-4}$	$99.97 \pm 0.02$	$99.96 \pm 0.03$
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	2	CNN-QNL-Net	$1 \times 10^{-4}$	$99.96 \pm 0.03$	$99.95 \pm 0.04$
	0	PCA-QNL-Net	$1.5 \times 10^{-4}$	$99.65 \pm 0.17$	$99.54 \pm 0.16$
	1	PCA-QNL-Net	$1.5 \times 10^{-4}$	$99.24 \pm 0.19$	$99.18 \pm 0.34$
	2	PCA-QNL-Net	$1.5 \times 10^{-4}$	$99.67 \pm 0.23$	$99.59 \pm 0.21$
CIFAR-10 (2, 8)	0	CNN-QNL-Net	$3 \times 10^{-4}$	$94.20 \pm 0.77$	$93.54 \pm 0.66$
	1	CNN-QNL-Net	$3 \times 10^{-4}$	$94.13 \pm 0.45$	$93.98 \pm 0.37$
	2	CNN-QNL-Net	$3 \times 10^{-4}$	$94.21 \pm 0.32$	$93.76 \pm 0.14$
	0	PCA-QNL-Net	$4 \times 10^{-4}$	$81.94 \pm 1.51$	$81.16 \pm 1.09$
	1	PCA-QNL-Net	$4 \times 10^{-4}$	$81.79 \pm 0.34$	$80.95 \pm 0.35$
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Model	Classes	Qubits	Test Accuracy
QTN-VQC	0, 1	12	98.60
Hybrid TTN-MERA	0, 1	8	$99.87 \pm 0.02$
Tensor Ring VQC	0, 1	4	99.30
<b>CNN-QNL-Net [Ours]</b>	0, 1	4	<b><math>99.96 \pm 0.03</math></b>
SQNN	3, 6	64	97.47
QF-hNet-BN	3, 6	12	98.27
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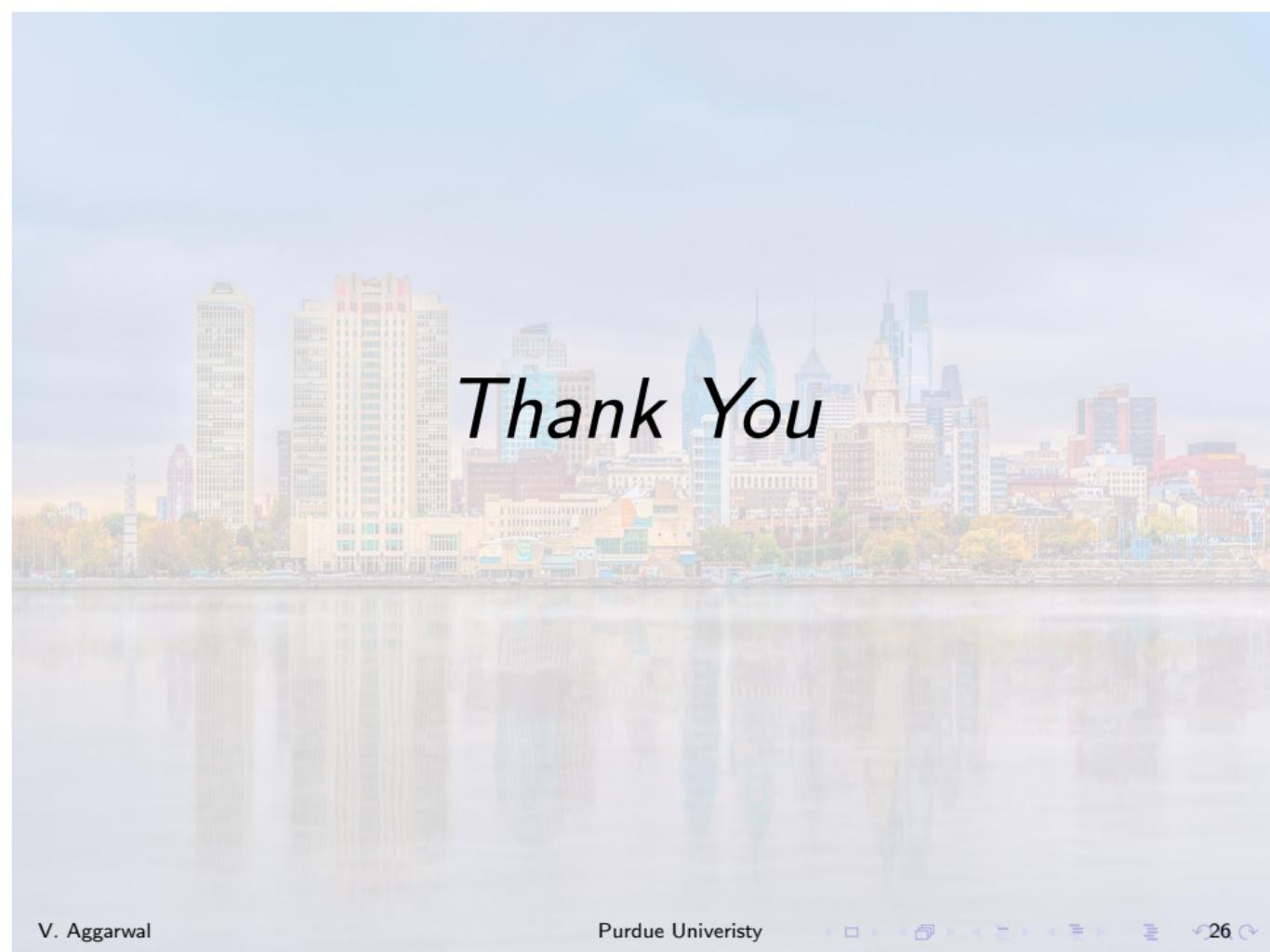
- Our proposed QNL-Net shows promise in advancing accuracy and efficiency for image classification tasks.
- The proposed QN-Net leverages quantum entanglement as a key advantage.
- However, our QNL-Net faces limitations in multi-class classification and efficiency with larger, complex datasets.
- Investigating the integration of more efficient quantum encoding strategies may further enhance performance..

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