

GOALS and OBJECTIVES

- Investigation of the **federated learning** setup for sharing a quantum machine learning (QML) task between quantum clients with purely-quantum data.
- Analysis of the potential to integrate existing classical communication networks instead of quantum networks in the quantum federated learning (QFL) setup.
- Addressing the practical implementation-related limitations rendering the wide-spread adoption of distributed quantum learning frameworks.
- Generating the first quantum federated dataset in the literature, which is necessary for future advances in the field.

CHALLENGES & MOTIVATION

- Prior work mainly focused on centralized QML models, not distributed learning.
- None of the existing works that consider FL scenarios with QML models rely on purely-quantum data, and there is not quantum federated dataset in the literature.
- Advances in quantum computing technologies happen at a much faster pace compared to advances in quantum communication networks, which are still lossy and unreliable for the transmission of quantum data.

QUANTUM MACHINE LEARNING

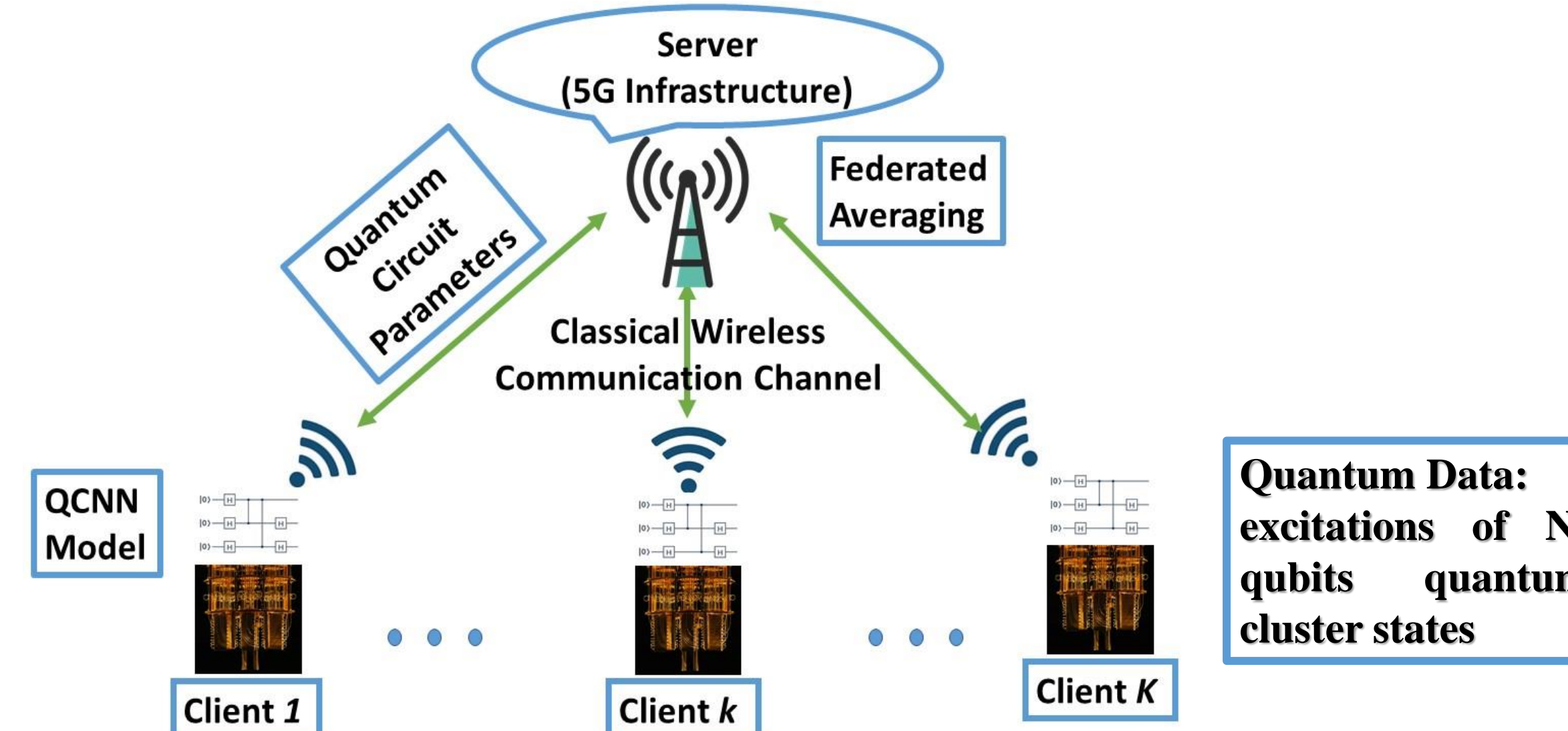
- Includes three major areas:
 - ❑ Quantum-assisted classical ML.
 - ❑ Hybrid quantum-classical ML.
 - ❑ **Purely-quantum QML.**
- Parametrized quantum circuits with tunable classical parameters.
- Purely-quantum QML models are necessary for **quantum many-body systems** that have a complex, exponentially large Hilbert spaces, which usually have intractable theoretical analysis.
- Quantum convolutional neural networks (QCNN) for classification tasks.
 - A sequence of quantum convolutional layers (unitary quantum gates), followed by quantum pooling layers (reduce size by quantum measurements), and end with a quantum fully-connected layer.

QFL Framework

- Each client has labeled input pairs $(|\psi_m\rangle, y_m)$: $m = 1, 2, \dots, M$, where $|\psi_m\rangle$ is the m -th sample quantum state, y_m is the m -th binary label (cluster state excited or not), and M is the number of data samples.
- All K clients share the same QCNN model.
- The QCNN parameters θ^k are classical values that can be sent using existing classical communication networks.
- Each client trains its QCNN model f by minimizing MSE loss function:

$$\arg \min_{\theta^k} \mathfrak{J}(\theta^k) := \frac{1}{2M} \sum_{m=1}^M (y_m - f_{\theta^k}(|\psi_m\rangle))^2$$

- Each round h of the server applies federated averaging to aggregate and update the parameters for all users.



SCIENTIFIC INSIGHTS and FUTURE OUTLOOK

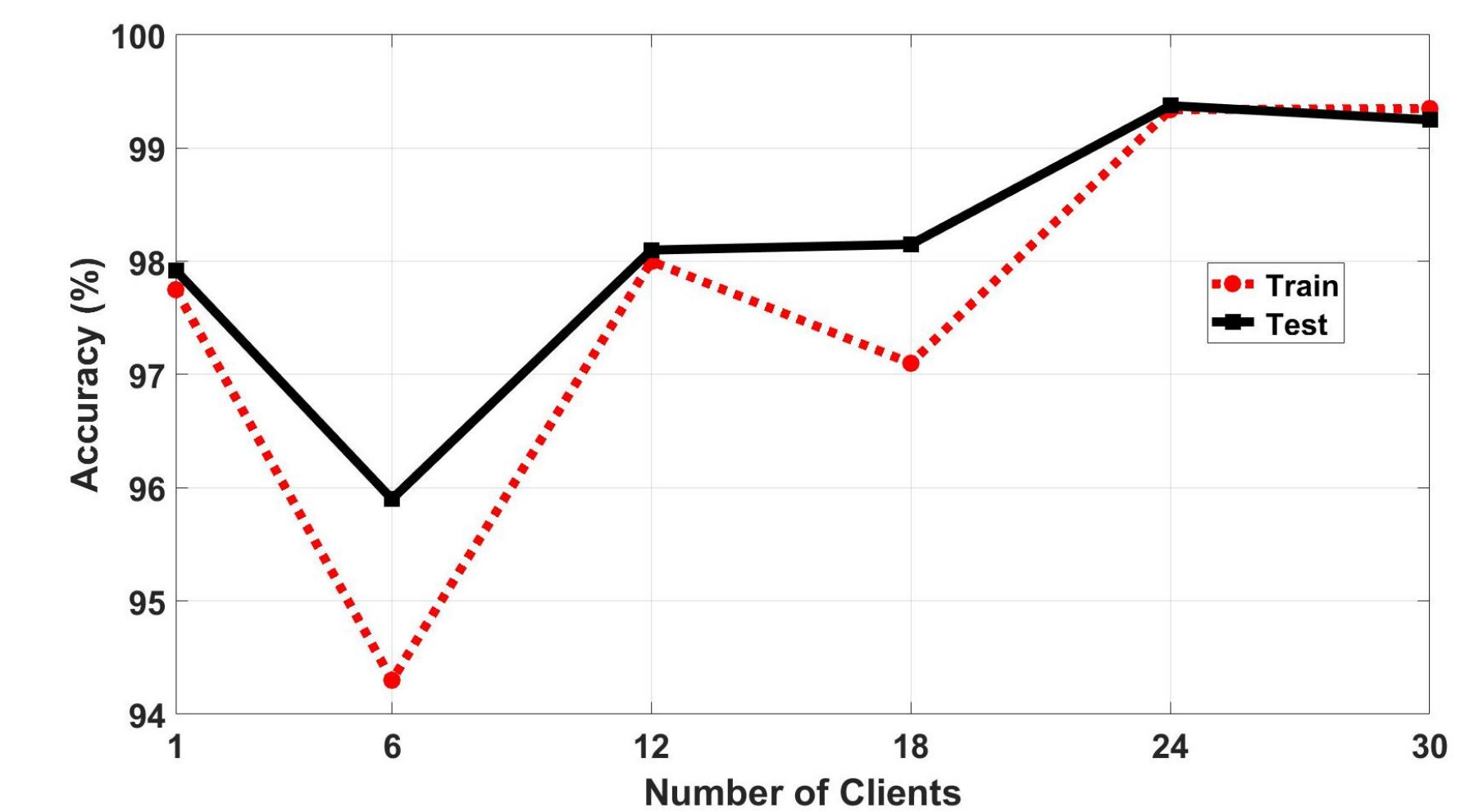
- A short-term solution to bridge the gap between advances in quantum computing and quantum communication networks by leveraging the existing classical networks.
- Lead to the development of hybrid networks with both classical users and quantum users with purely-quantum data.
- Quantum cryptographic techniques can be utilized to add an extra layer of security for the QFL setup, e.g., integration with quantum key distribution.
- Developing interfaces between different quantum technologies would advance the QFL framework towards incorporating both classical and quantum networks.

QUANTUM FEDERATED DATASET GENERATION

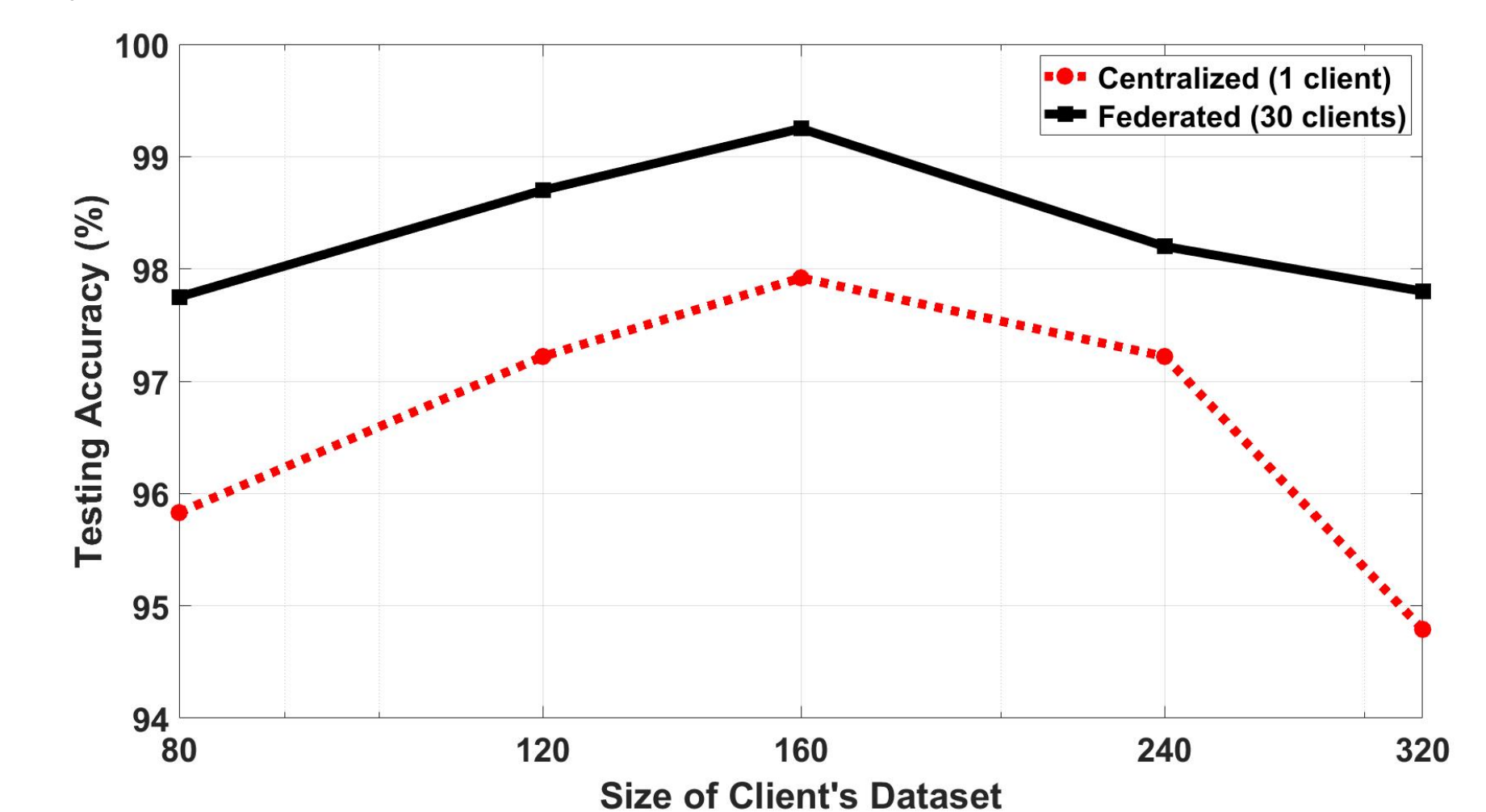
- Used TensorFlow Quantum (TFQ) and Google's quantum circuit programming: Cirq to generate single-client data.
- **Data: excitations of quantum cluster states represented by Rx rotations.**
 - If large-enough rotation is achieved \rightarrow label = 1.
 - If rotation is not sufficiently large \rightarrow label = 0.
- For each client, the inputs are quantum circuits.
- To store the data: transform into a tensor represented by strings.
- The strings represent an encoding of the serialized binary data of quantum circuits (TensorFlow data type: "1S5000").
- We generated a hierarchical data format version 5 (HDF5) federated dataset with different numbers of clients
- Each client has M labeled serialized binary data for a single feature.

SAMPLE RESULT: ENTANGLEMENT RATE OPTIMIZATION

- What is the impact of the number of clients on the achieved testing accuracy?



- What is the impact of the size of the datasets of the clients on the achieved testing accuracy?



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