

Potential Quantum Computing Enhancement of Machine Learning in Predictive Fusion Energy Applications

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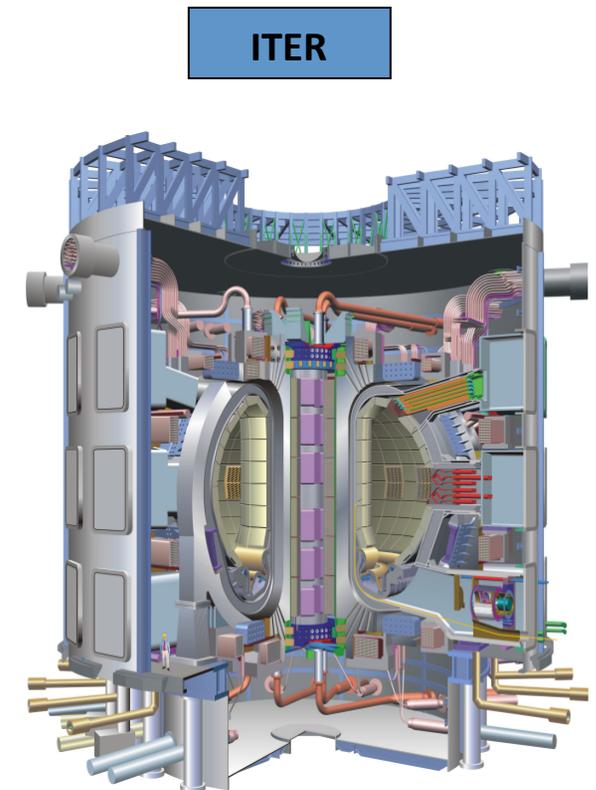
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DOE FUSION ENERGY MISSION: *Demonstration of the Scientific and Technological Feasibility of Fusion Power*

- **ITER:** ~\$25B facility under construction in France
 - 7 governments representing over half of world
 - **dramatic next-step for Magnetic Fusion Energy (MFE) producing a sustained burning plasma**
 - Today: 10 MW(th) for 1 second with gain ~1 [JET]
 - ITER: 500 MW(th) for >400 seconds with gain >10
- Ongoing R&D programs worldwide [**experiments, theory, HPC, and technology**] essential to provide growing knowledge base for ITER operation targeted for ~ 2025
- **Reliable HPC-enabled predictive capabilities required to cost-effectively plan, “steer,” & harvest key information from expensive (~\$1M/long-pulse) shots**



US/EU Statistical Disruption Studies on JET [Joint European Torus]

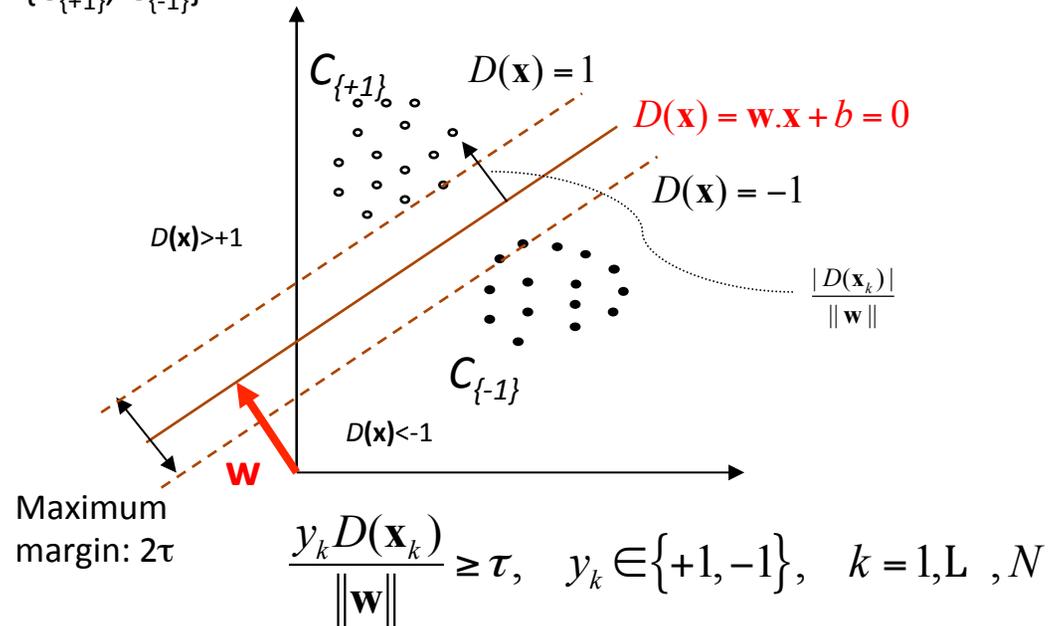
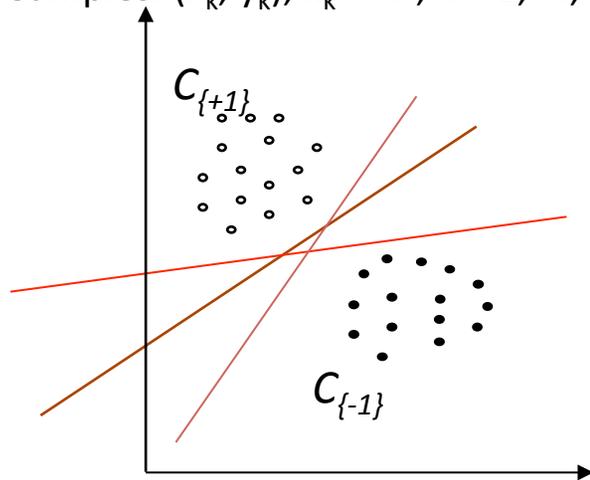
Situation Analysis:

- Most critical problem for MFE: avoid/mitigate large-scale major disruptions
- Conventional “hypothesis-driven” MHD codes currently far away from achieving predictive capability needed for disruption avoidance in JET → only experiment that achieved near “break-even” fusion energy production.
- Approach: Use of of large- data-driven statistical/machine-learning predictions for the occurrence of disruptions in JET
- Current Status: ~ 6 years of R&D results using SVM-based ML on zero-D time trace data executed on modern clusters yielding ~ **80% success rate, BUT > 95% actually needed !**
- Goal: improve (i) physics fidelity via new ML multi-D, time-dependent software and (ii) execution speed via deployment of improved ML software on LCF’s or **possibly on innovative Quantum Computing systems** appropriate for needed large-scale “data-mining” analysis of JET data

NOTE: → JET has recently agreed to provide unique access to its huge disruption-relevant multi-dimensional data base that has yet to be analyzed.

Supervised Classifiers: SVM

- Binary classifier
- Finds the optimal separating hyper-plane between classes
- Samples: (\mathbf{x}_k, y_k) , $\mathbf{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $k = 1, \dots, N$, $y \in \{C_{\{+1\}}, C_{\{-1\}}\}$



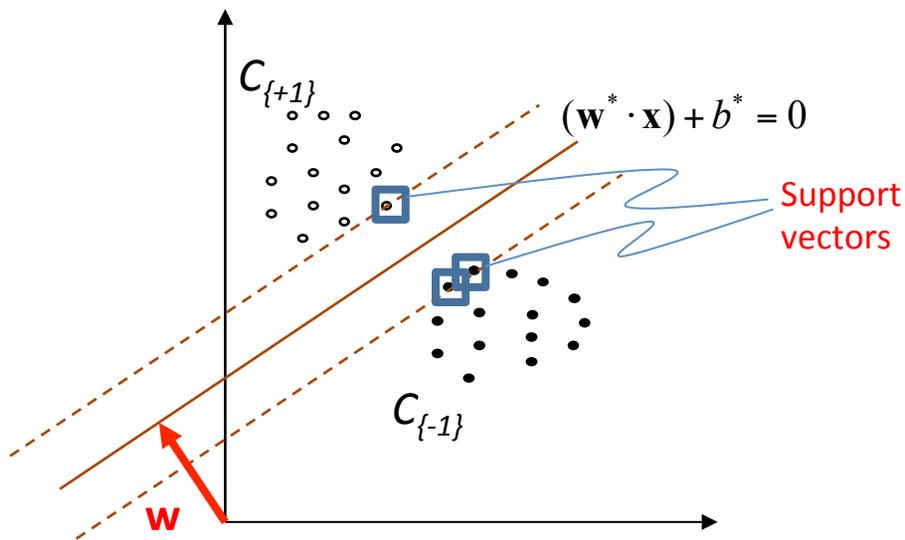
- Find optimal hyper-plane by determining vector \mathbf{w} that maximizes the margin τ
- To avoid infinite solutions due to presence of a scale factor: $\tau \|\mathbf{w}\| = 1$
- To maximize margin is equivalent to minimizing $\|\mathbf{w}\|$

i.e., Optimization problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, w_0} J(\mathbf{w}) = \|\mathbf{w}\|^2, \quad \text{subject to} \quad y_k [(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) + w_0] \geq 1$$

Supervised Classifiers: SVM

$(\mathbf{x}_k, y_k), \mathbf{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n, k = 1, \dots, N, y \in C_{\{+1\}}, C_{\{-1\}}$



- Solution: $\mathbf{w}^* = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i^* y_i \mathbf{x}_i$
 α_i are the Lagrange multipliers
- Samples associated to $\alpha_i \neq 0$ are called "support vectors"

$$\mathbf{w} = \sum_{\text{support vectors}} \alpha_i^* y_i \mathbf{x}_i$$

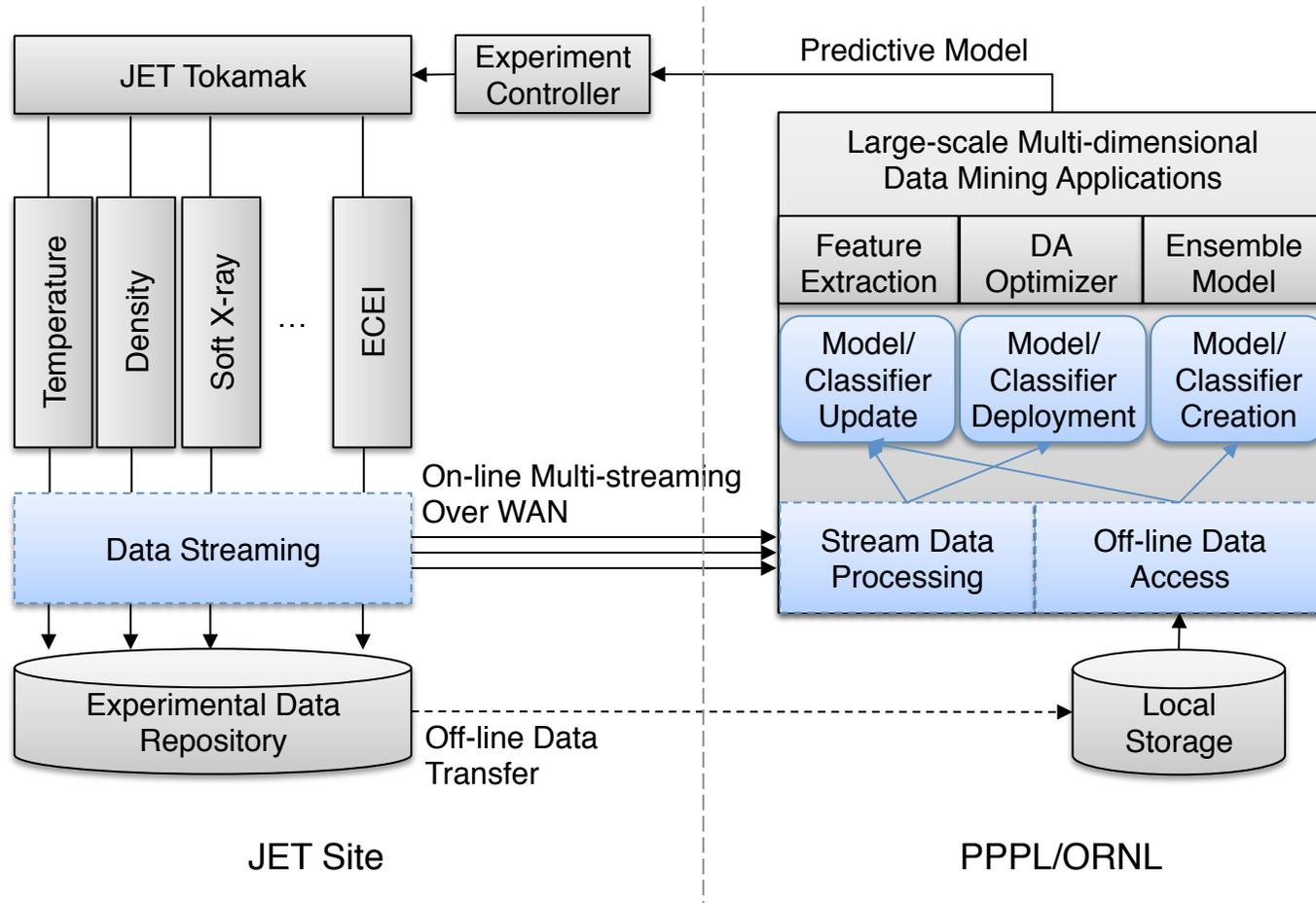
The rest of training samples are irrelevant to classify new samples
- The constant b is obtained from any condition (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker)
 $\alpha_i [y_i ((\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) + b) - 1] = 0, i = 1, K, N$

$D(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^* \cdot \mathbf{x} + b^*$ is the distance (with sign) from \mathbf{x} to the separating hyper-plane

Given \mathbf{x} to classify

$$\text{if } \text{sign} \left(\sum_{\text{vectores soporte}} \alpha_i^* y_i (\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i) + b^* \right) \geq 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \in C_{\{+1\}}. \quad \text{Otherwise } \mathbf{x} \in C_{\{-1\}}$$

Fusion Data Mining Diagram



NOTE: DA (Deterministic Annealing) Method

- "Generative Topographic Mapping by Deterministic Annealing," J. Y. Choi, et al. Science Direct, Proc. Computer Science 00, 1-10 (2010);
- Geoffrey Fox, et al., Parallel Processing Letters, May 17, 2013.

Machine Learning with Quantum Computers

Examples:

- Quantum Support Vector Machine [SVM]

Ref.: P. Rebentrost, M. Mohseni, & S. Lloyd Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 130503 (2014)

Based on:

- *Fast quantum evaluation of inner products*
 - *Fast quantum matrix inversion*
- Designed for the quantum circuit model

- Training Strong Classifiers through Quantum Annealing

Reference: H. Neven, et al., arXiv:0912.0779 [quant-ph]; http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantum_machine_learning

$$\vec{w}_{opt} = \arg \min_{\vec{w}} (\delta(\vec{w}) + \lambda' \|\vec{w}\|_0)$$

Main Task: pick a set of weak classifiers out of a large library in order to minimize classification error

$$\delta(\vec{w}) = \left\| \vec{y} - \frac{1}{M} \vec{R}_{\vec{w}} \right\|^2 = \sum_{s=1}^{N_S} \left| y_s - \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M w_i h_i(\vec{x}_s) \right|^2$$

This is a quadratic unconstrained binary optimization (QUBO) that can be implemented on a quantum annealer

→ [This has been run on the D-Wave device](#)

Summary

• DOE Mission Relevance:

- Magnetic Fusion Energy with it's goal of demonstrating the scientific & technical feasibility of delivering Fusion Power is an important DOE mission.
- Most critical problem is to avoid/mitigate large-scale major disruptions

• Impact on Computing:

- Development of large-data-driven **“machine-learning” statistical methods** as alternative/complement for conventional “hypothesis-driven/first principles” methods

• Challenges:

- Needs significant improvements (from 80% to >95%) over zero-D SVM-based machine-learning capabilities with respect to physics fidelity (capturing multi-D) and execution time (moving beyond clusters to LCF's or **viable quantum computers**).

→ Associated QC development challenge to produce ML software interface needed to connect to QC hardware (such as D-Wave)

• Implications for Accelerating Scientific Knowledge Discovery:

- Possible Quantum Computing impact via connection to Machine Learning Software
- Promising Approaches: (i) Quantum SVM designed for quantum circuit model; & (ii) Quantum Annealing for training strong classifiers
- Exciting promise for stimulating progress in predicting complex behavior in DOE mission domains including example areas such as Fusion Energy.