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Leveraging Quantum Machine Learning for Enhanced Biophotonics Applications

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Recent advancements in the interdisciplinary realms of machine learning (ML) and quantum computing (QC) have paved the way for innovative approaches in biophotonics, an established field that utilizes light-based technologies to probe biological substances. Quantum machine learning (QML), an emerging frontier, amalgamates quantum computing's superior processing capabilities with machine learning's predictive power, offering unprecedented opportunities in biophotonics applications ranging from medical diagnostics to cellular microscopy. This talk explores the symbiotic integration of ML, QC, and QML within the context of biophotonics. We begin by providing a foundational overview of machine learning algorithms, emphasizing their application in image and signal processing tasks common in biophotonics, such as feature extraction from complex biological datasets and pattern recognition in biomolecular structures. We then delve into the quantum computing paradigm, elucidating how its intrinsic properties — such as superposition and entanglement — can dramatically accelerate computational tasks pertinent to biophotonics. The crux of our discussion centers on quantum machine learning, where we dissect how QML algorithms harness quantum states to perform data encoding, processing, and learning at a scale and speed beyond the reach of classical computers. We present a critical analysis of the current state of QML, highlighting how its implementation could revolutionize biophotonics by enabling the analysis of voluminous and high-dimensional datasets more efficiently, thereby facilitating real-time monitoring and decision-making in clinical settings. To illustrate the practical implications of QML in biophotonics, we showcase cutting-edge applications, such as the quantum-enhanced detection of biophotonic signals, the optimization of biophotonic setups, and the quantum-assisted imaging systems that provide super-resolved images. The challenges of integrating QML in biophotonics are also discussed, including the current technological limitations of quantum hardware and the need for specialized quantum algorithms tailored to biophotonic data. We conclude by forecasting the future directions of QML in biophotonics, contemplating the potential breakthroughs and transformative impacts on healthcare, biological research, and beyond. Our synthesis not only underscores the transformative potential of QML in biophotonics but also calls for a concerted effort to overcome existing barriers, thus charting a course towards a quantum-enhanced era in biological science and medicine.

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