

# L3

## Overview of different QC approaches

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- Superconducting, trapped ions, semiconductors
- QC types (digital, analogue, adiabatic, annealing)
- Hybrid HPC+QC systems
- How the non-QC-expert end-user will benefit.

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# Quantum computer architectures

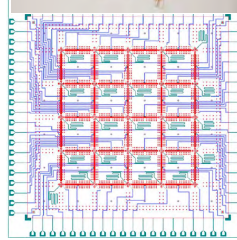
Superconducting

Ion traps

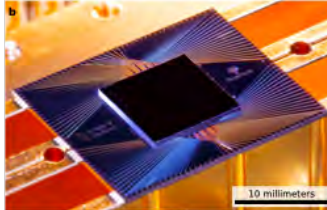
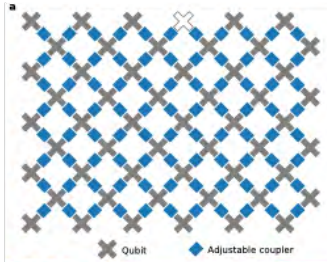
Neutral atoms

Semiconductor

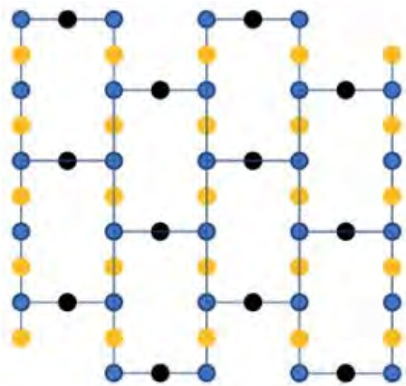
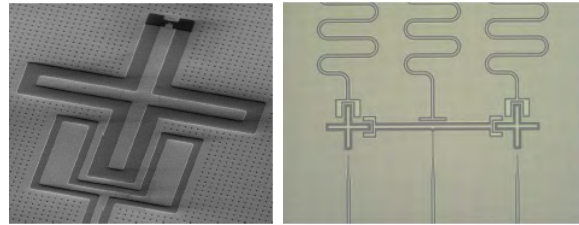
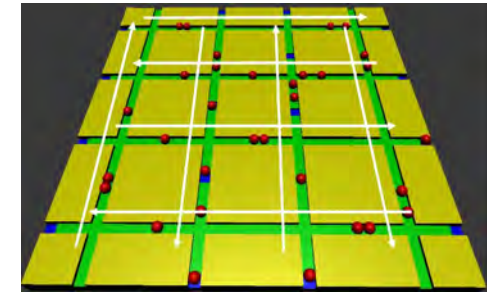
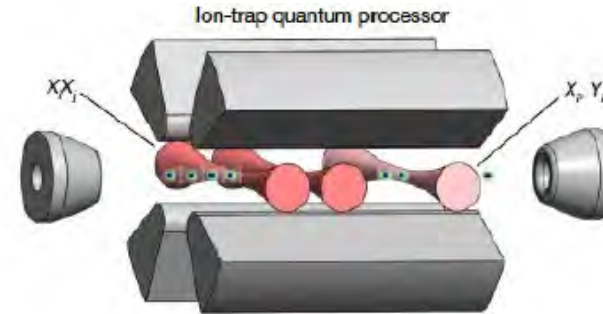
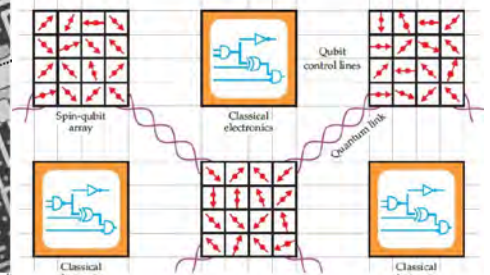
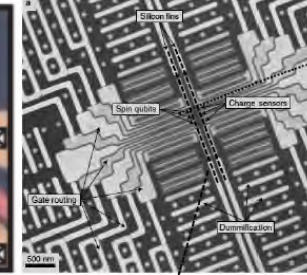
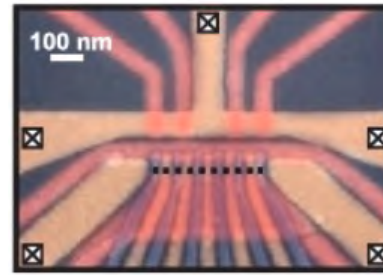
Photonic



Chalmers 25q

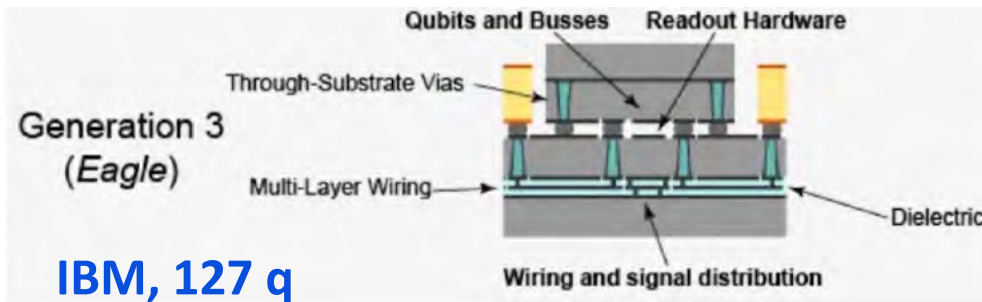
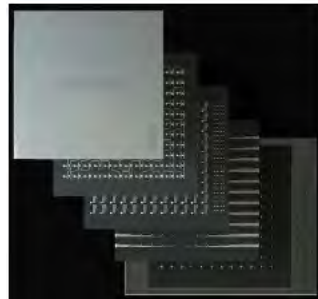


Google 53q  
Sycamore

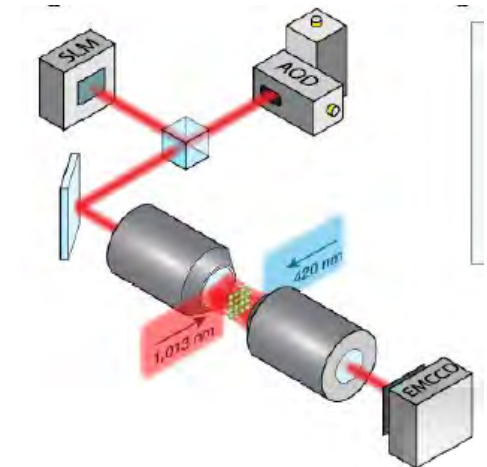


IBM, 65q

Transmon qubits



IBM, 127 q



# Sweden's quantum technology programme

## Wallenberg Centre for Quantum Technologies

**WACQT, 2018-2029** MC2, Chalmers U of Tech, Sweden

**12 years, 150 M€**

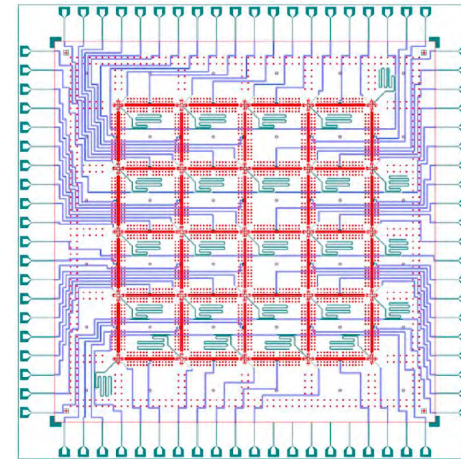


**Mission: to build a quantum processor  
with 100+ superconducting qubits by 2025**

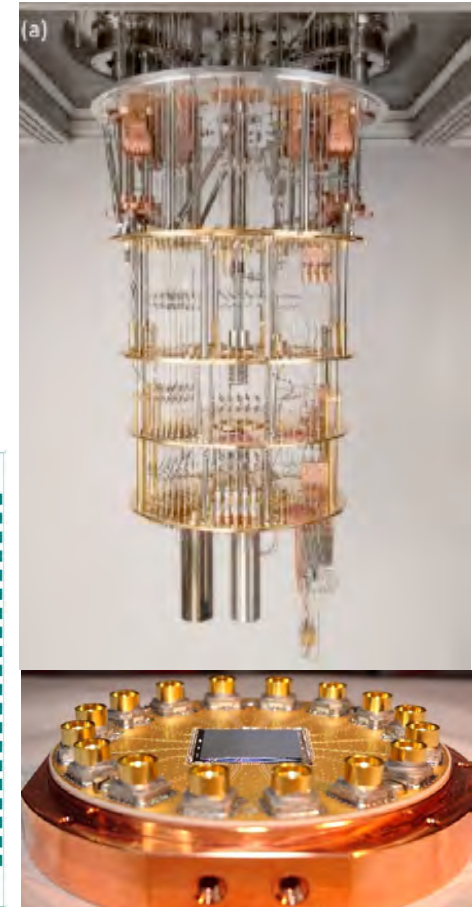
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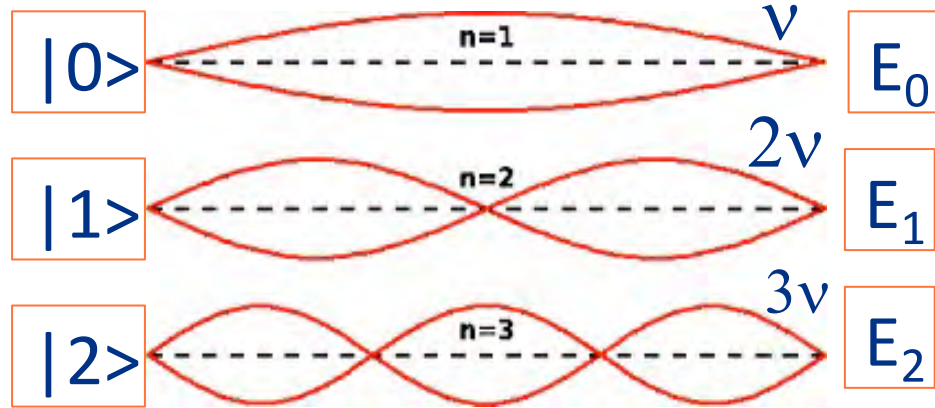
**Cryostat  
≈ 10 mK**



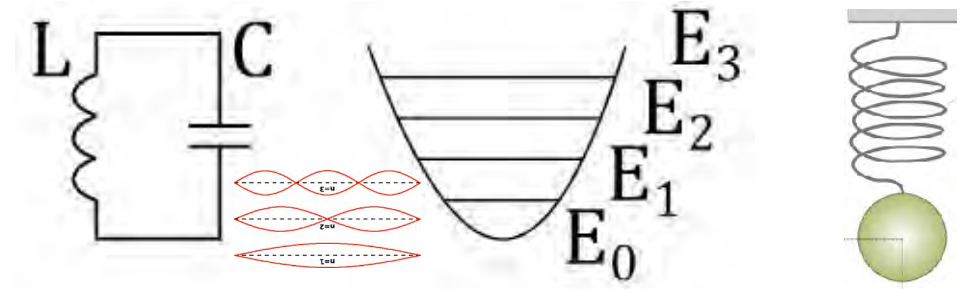
**25q Transmon chip under testing**



# QC/QPU: Superconducting Transmon qubit

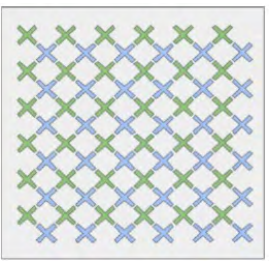
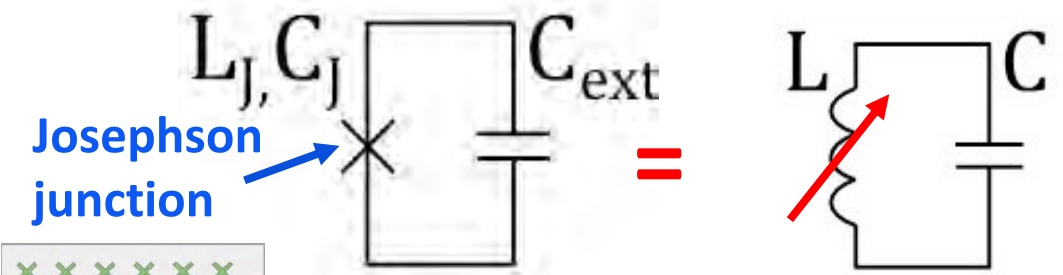


$$E = (n+1/2) \hbar \omega$$



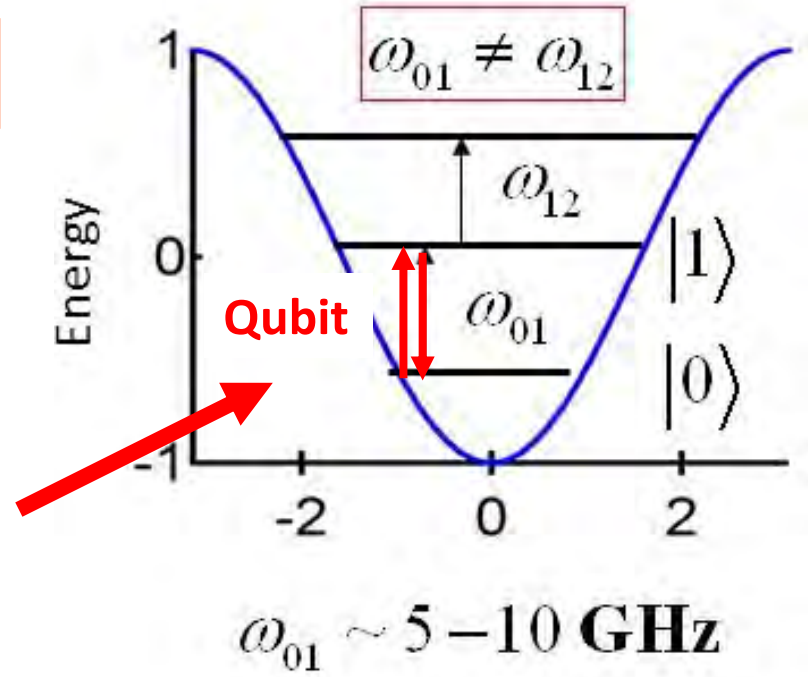
Harmonic oscillator

$$|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle + c|2\rangle + \dots$$

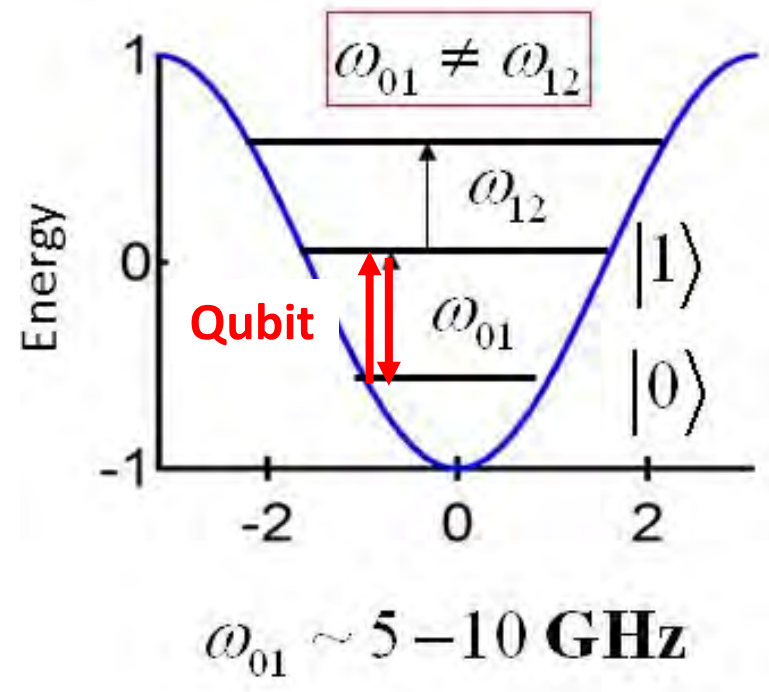
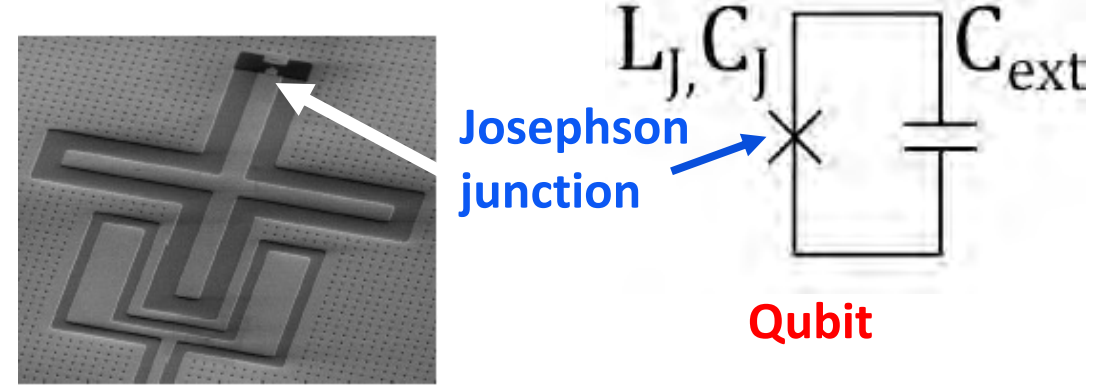
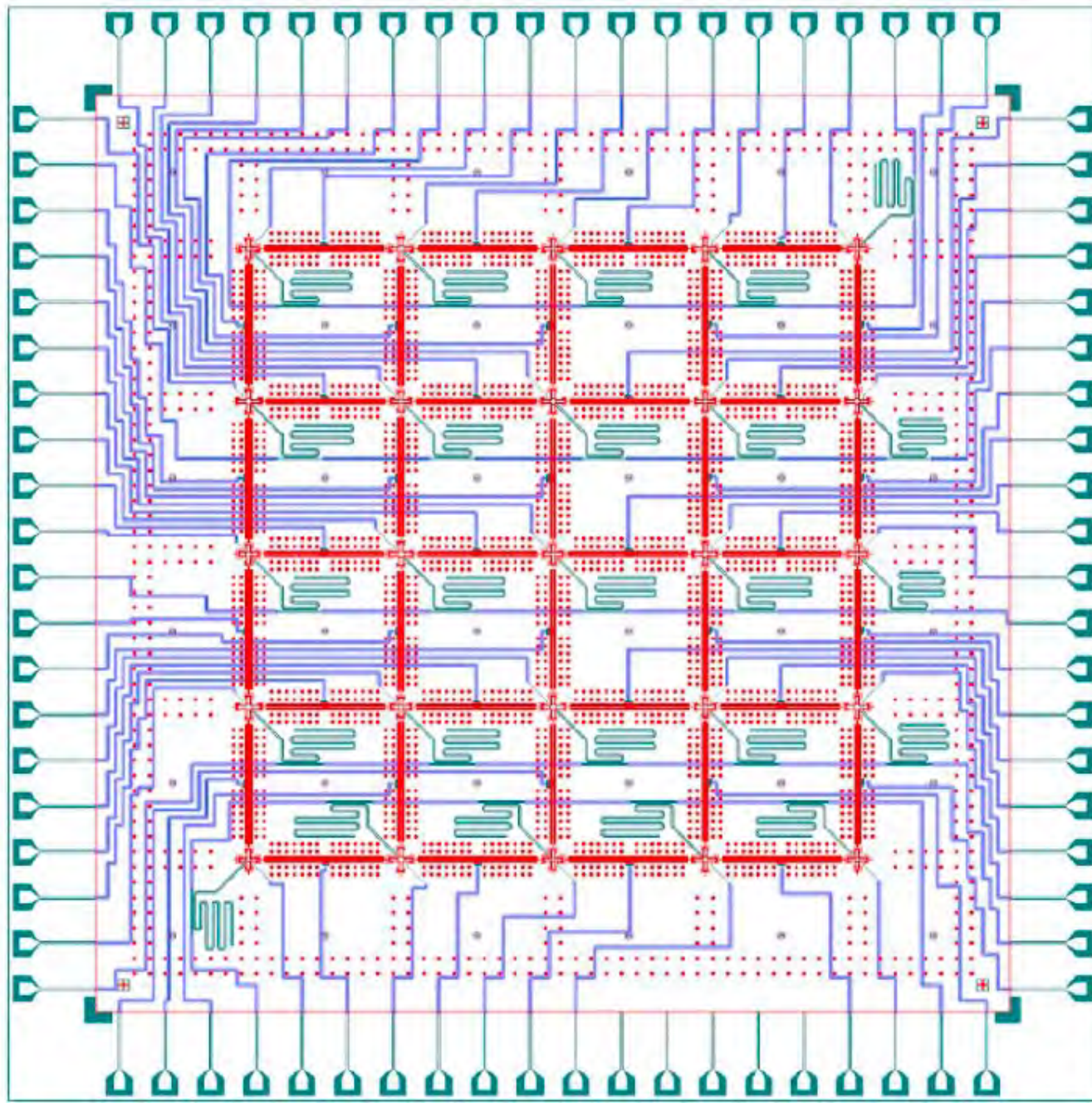


Qubit

Non-linear quantum resonator  
Anharmonic oscillator



# QC/QPU: Superconducting Transmon qubit



# How does QC differ from classical HPC?

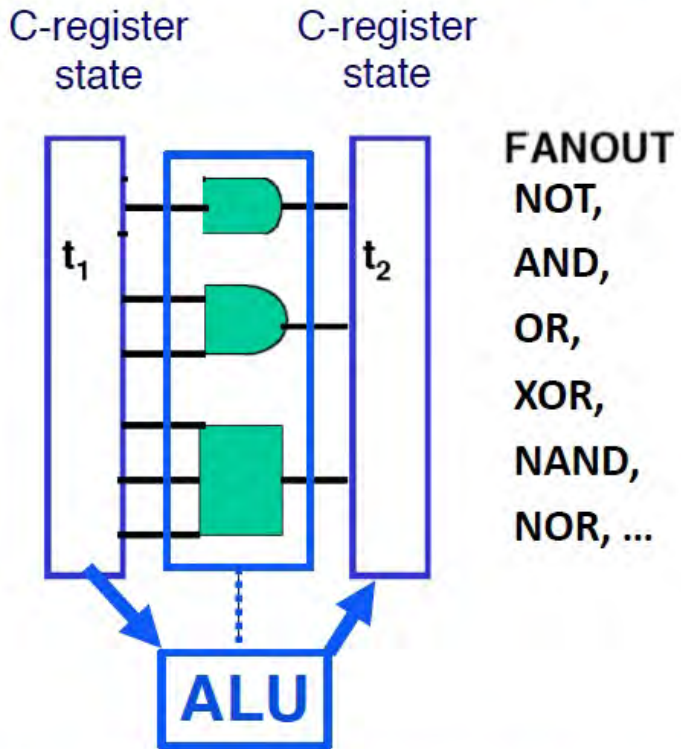
Distinct configurations

bits

- |00..000>
- |00..001>
- |00..010>
- |00..011>
- .....
- |11..110>
- |11..111>

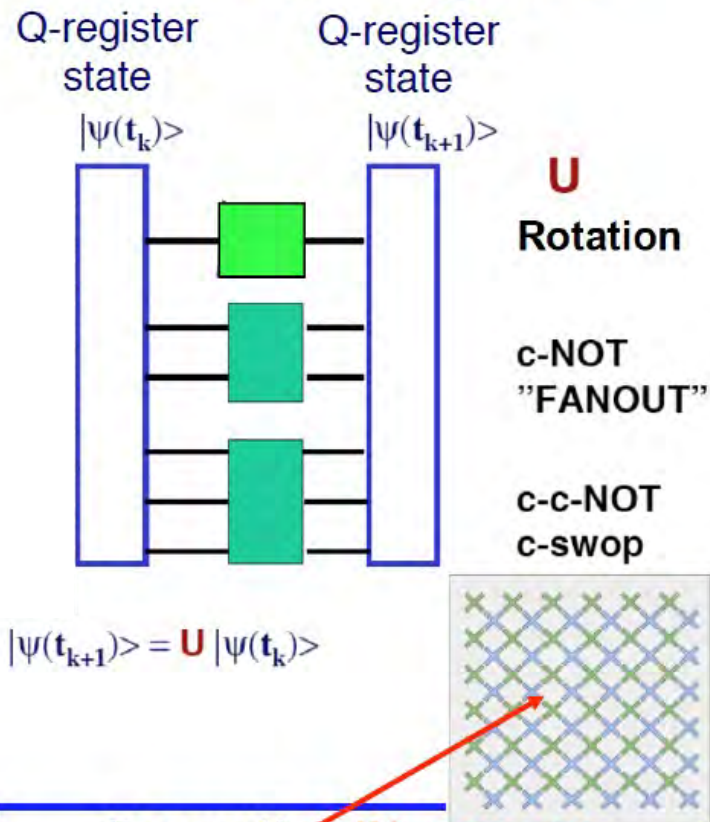
Irreversible gates

## CC: Classical gates



Computing **FROM/TO** memory  
The memory is the storage

## QC: Quantum gates



Computing **IN** memory  
The memory is the computer

Superposition  
Entanglement

qubits

- |00..000> +
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Reversible gates



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# Digital quantum computing (DQC)

## Rayleigh-Ritz

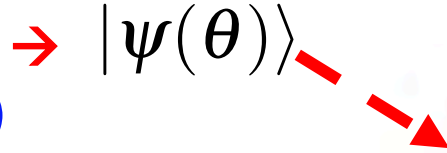
$$E(\theta) = \langle \psi(\theta) | \hat{H} | \psi(\theta) \rangle \geq E_0; \quad \hat{H} = \sum_i \hat{H}_i$$

## Quantum state tomography

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = U(t, t_0) |\psi(t_0)\rangle$$

$$U(t, t_0) = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \hat{H}(t-t_0)}$$

Quantum circuit trial function (HPC-generated)

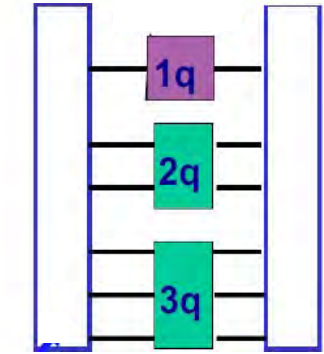
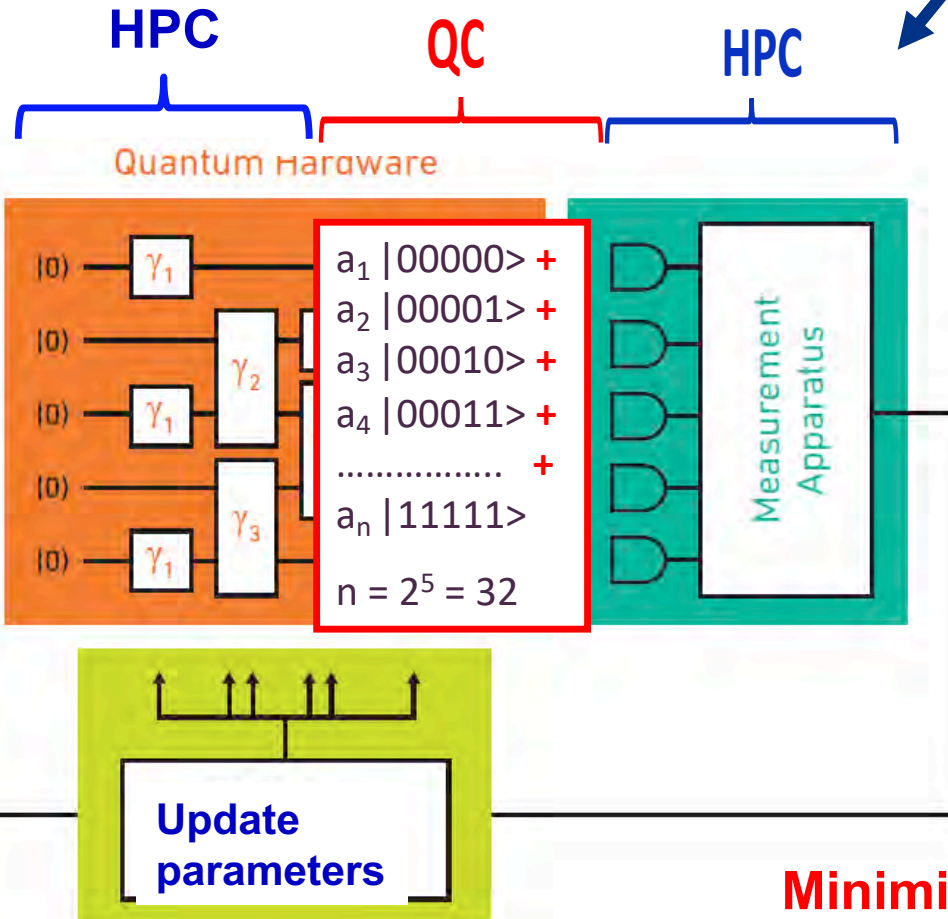


Optimisation

Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm (QAOA)

Quantum Variational Eigensolver (VQE)

Machine learning



$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

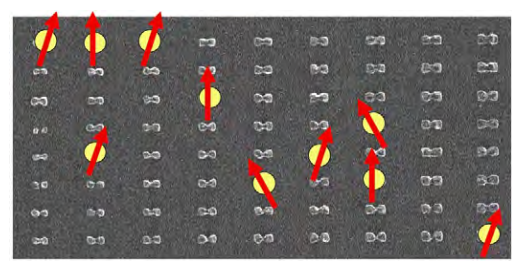
$$\sigma_2 = \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_3 = \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Evaluate cost function

Minimize  $\sum_i \langle \psi | \hat{H}_i | \psi \rangle$

Cost function 
$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i\alpha} h_{i\alpha} \sigma_{i\alpha} + \sum_{i\alpha, j\beta} h_{i\alpha, j\beta} \sigma_{i\alpha} \sigma_{j\beta} + \sum_{i\alpha, j\beta, k\gamma} h_{i\alpha, j\beta, k\gamma} \sigma_{i\alpha} \sigma_{j\beta} \sigma_{k\gamma} + \dots$$



# QAOA

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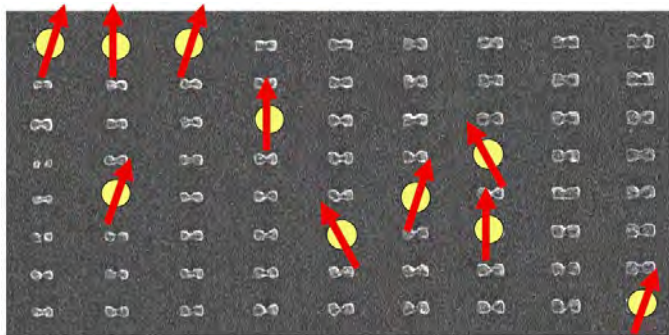
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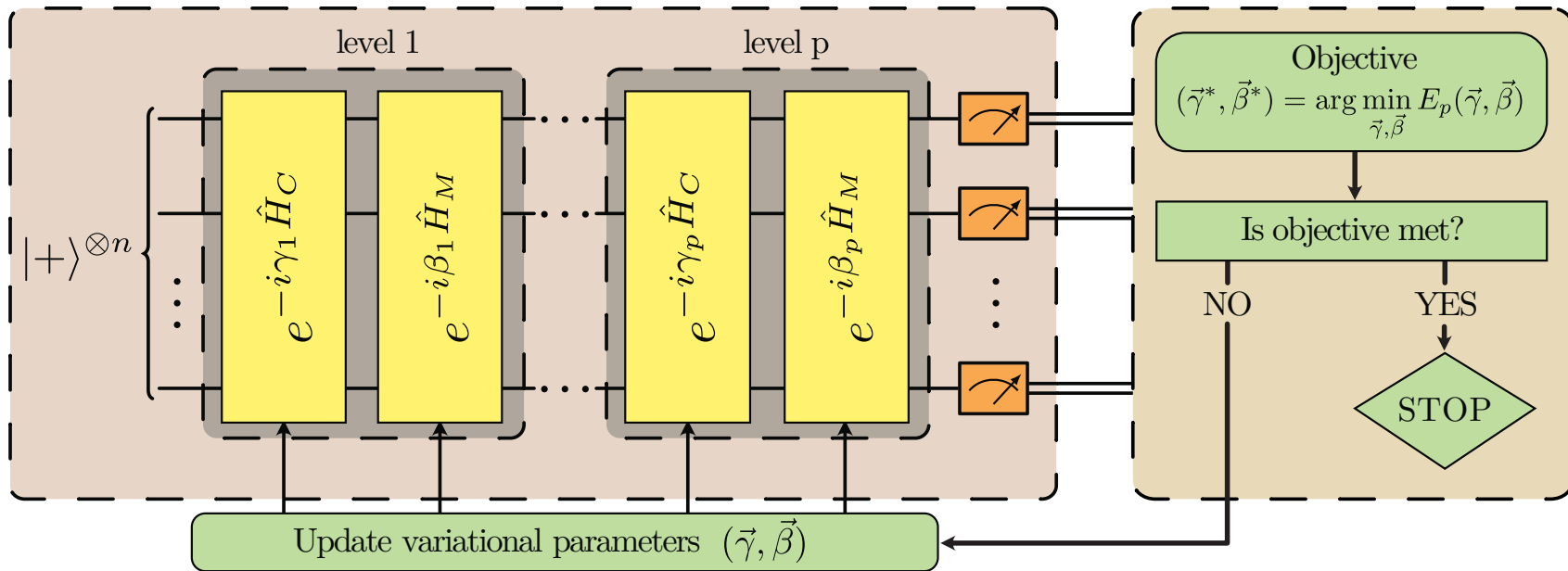
Tune parameters to model material systems

$h_{i\alpha}$   
 $h_{i\alpha, j\beta}$   
 $h_{i\alpha, j\beta, k\gamma}$



Quantum Computer

Classical Computer



# Digital-analogue (DAQC) methods

Evaluate cost function

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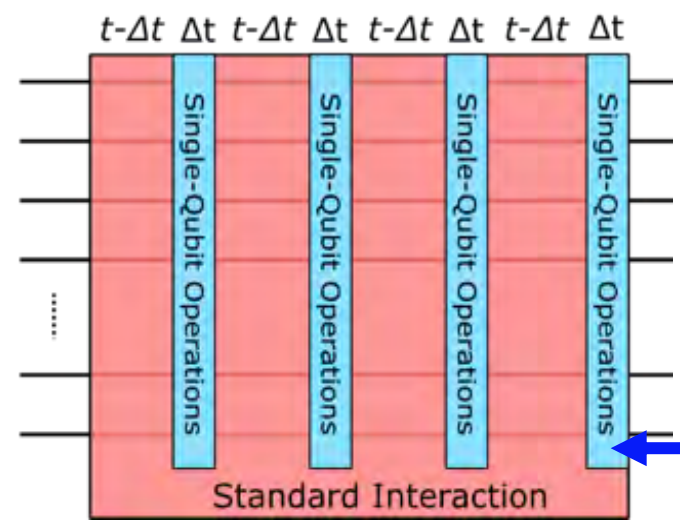
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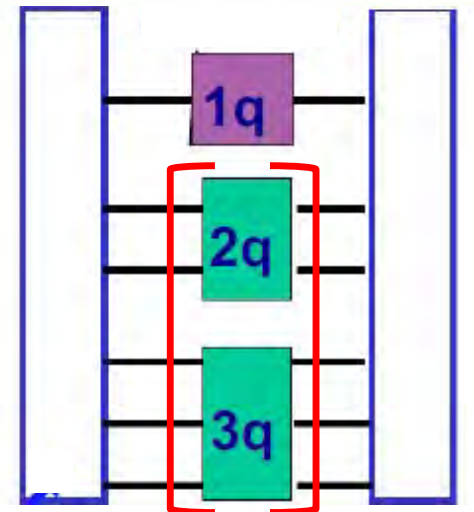


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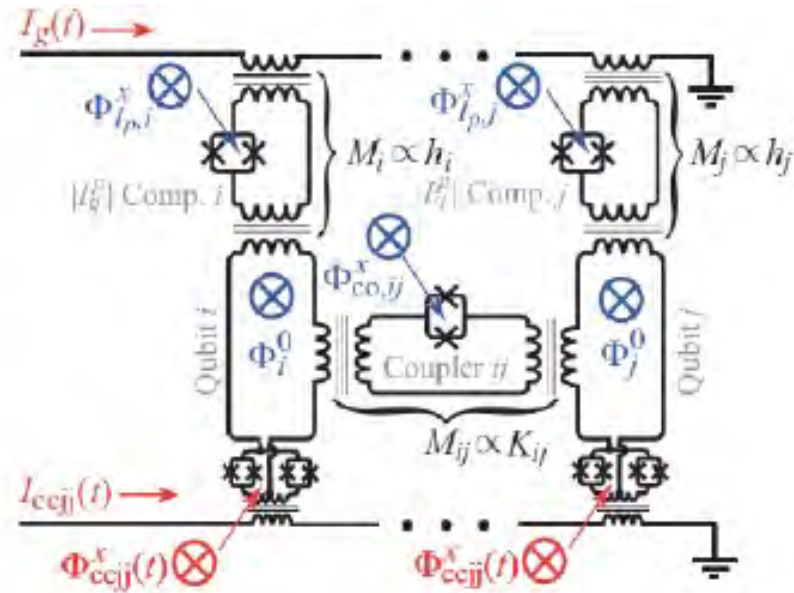
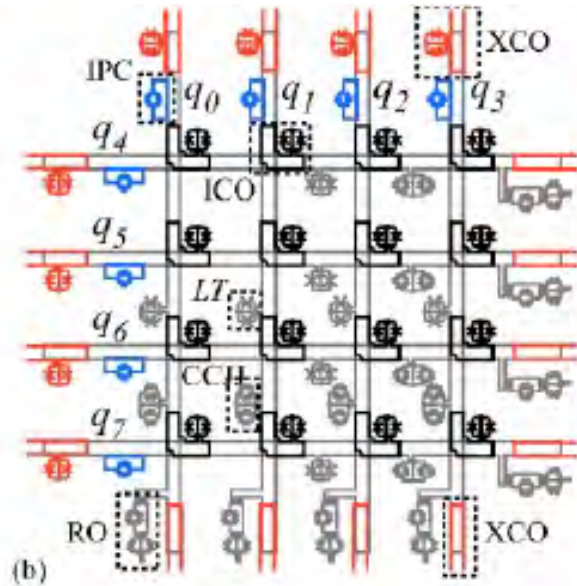
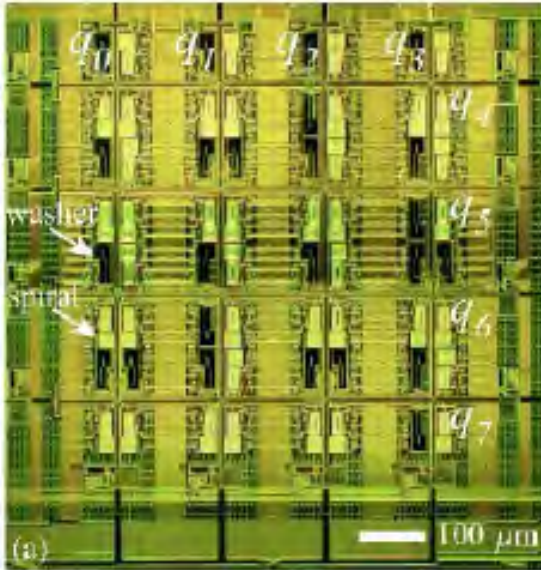
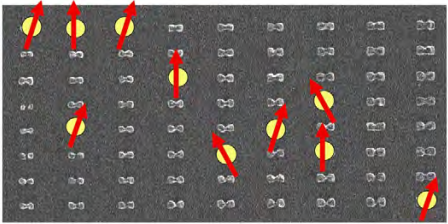
Single quantum operation

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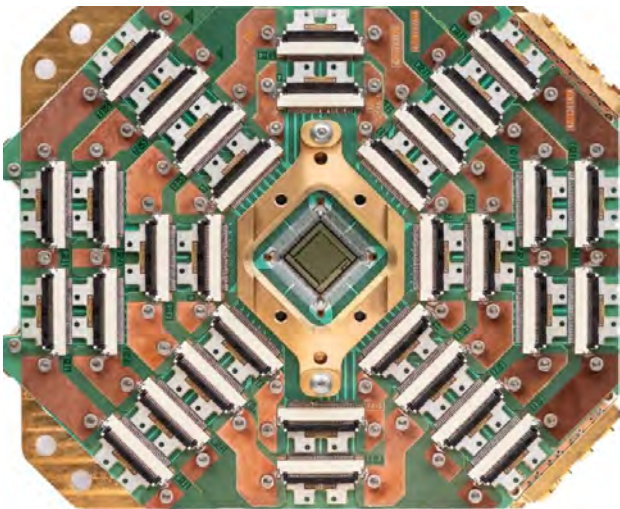
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# Analogue/adiabatic methods/quantum annealing



The **D-Wave 2Q** processor contains 2000 coupled flux qubits (connectivity 6) at 20 mk using SFQ (classical) circuit technology. The machine is a **Quantum Annealer**. It aims at Adiabatic Quantum Computing, but is not a coherent quantum computer.



The **D-Wave Advantage** processor contains 5000 coupled flux qubits (connectivity 15).

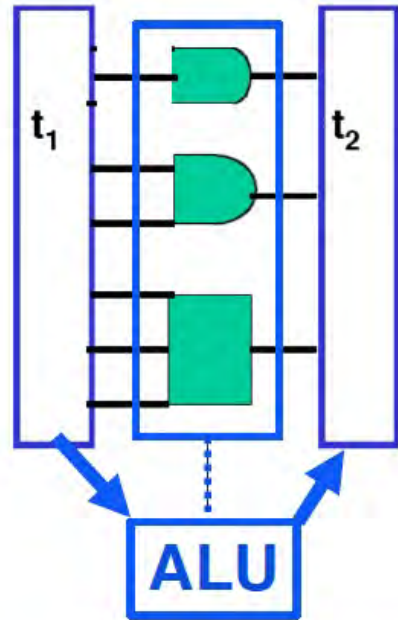
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# HPC-QC = Classical computer + Q-accelerator



## CC: Classical gates

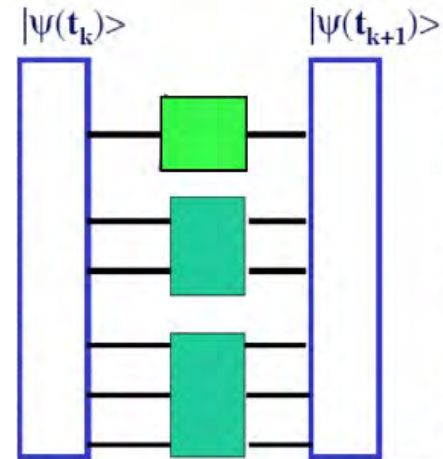
C-register state      C-register state



FANOUT  
NOT,  
AND,  
OR,  
XOR,  
NAND,  
NOR, ...

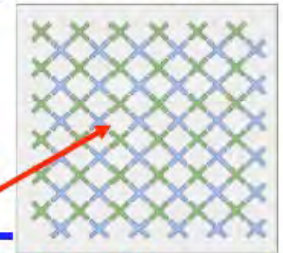
## QC: Quantum gates

Q-register state      Q-register state



**U**  
Rotation  
  
c-NOT  
"FANOUT"  
  
c-c-NOT  
c-swap

$$|\psi(t_{k+1})\rangle = \mathbf{U} |\psi(t_k)\rangle$$

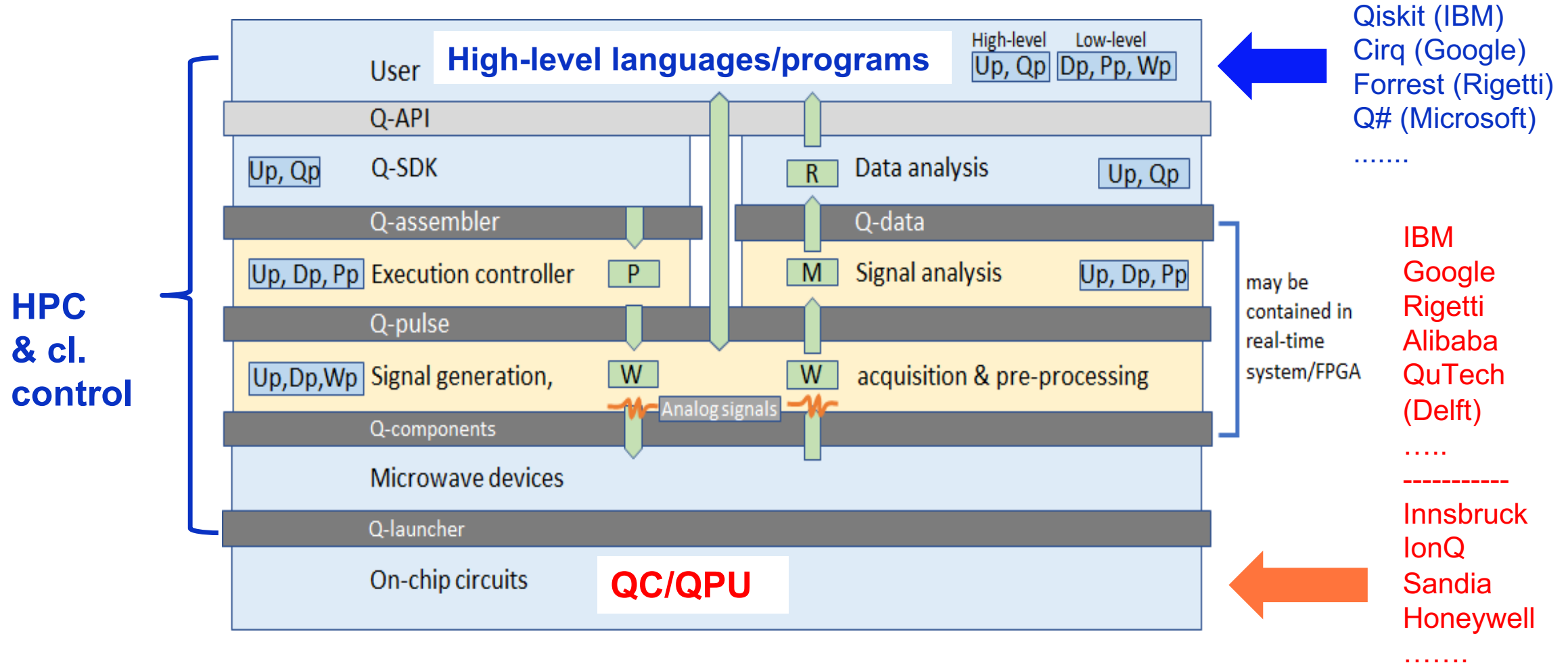


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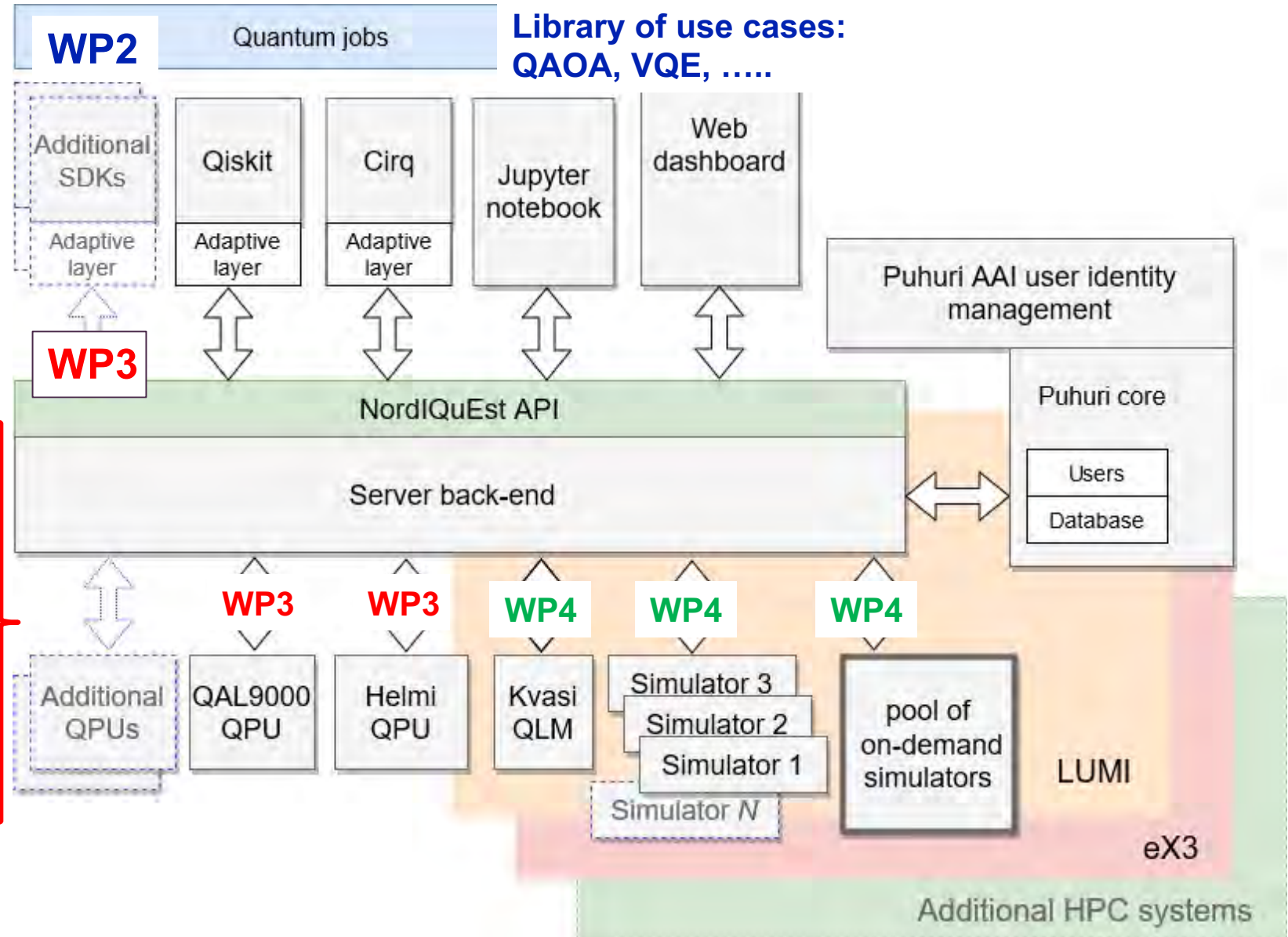
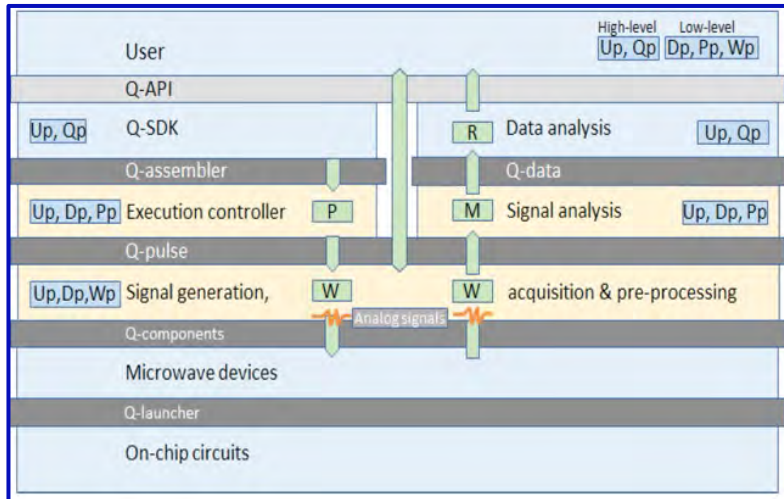
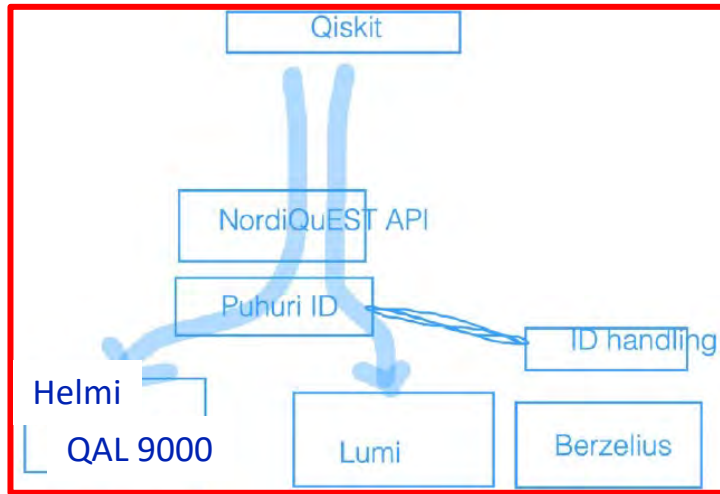
# HPC-Q hybrid computer

HPC (mainframe/control) + QC (accelerator/subroutines)





# NordiQuEst in a nutshell





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## HPC-QC roadmaps 2022-2029

- Horizon Europe
- IBM

# Development Roadmap

Executed by IBM   
On target 


IBM Quantum

2019 

Run quantum circuits on the IBM cloud

2020 

Demonstrate and prototype quantum algorithms and applications

2021 

Run quantum programs 100x faster with Qiskit Runtime

2022

Bring dynamic circuits to Qiskit Runtime to unlock more computations

2023

Enhancing applications with elastic computing and parallelization of Qiskit Runtime

2024

Improve accuracy of Qiskit Runtime with scalable error mitigation

2025

Scale quantum applications with circuit knitting toolbox controlling Qiskit Runtime

Beyond 2026

Increase accuracy and speed of quantum workflows with integration of error correction into Qiskit Runtime


Model Developers

Prototype quantum software applications

Quantum software applications

Machine learning | Natural science | Optimization

Algorithm Developers

Quantum algorithm and application modules 

Machine learning | Natural science | Optimization

Quantum Serverless

Intelligent orchestration


Circuit Knitting Toolbox

Circuit libraries

Kernel Developers

Circuits 

Qiskit Runtime 


Dynamic circuits 

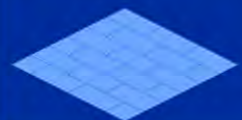
Threaded primitives


Error suppression and mitigation

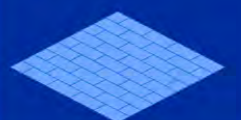
Error correction


System Modularity

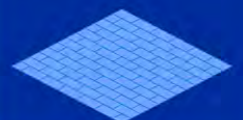
Falcon   
27 qubits




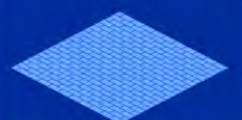
Hummingbird   
65 qubits



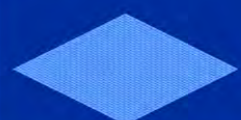
Eagle   
127 qubits



Osprey   
433 qubits



Condor  
1,121 qubits



Flamingo  
1,386+ qubits



Kookaburra  
4,158+ qubits

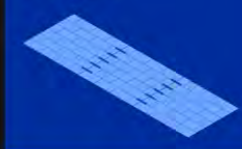


Scaling to 10K-100K qubits with classical and quantum communication

Heron  
133 qubits x p



Crossbill  
408 qubits



Globally, much work is dedicated to **comparing HPC simulation of different QAOA implementations**, as well as **comparing QAOA and quantum annealing with classical optimization algorithms** implemented on HPC.

- Guerreschi and Matsuura [2019] found that the QAOA needs several hundred qubits to reach crossover and beat state-of-the-art classical algorithms.
- Lidar and coworkers [Kowalsky 2022] found that the **SATonGPU** algorithm was **superior to D-Wave Advantage (DWA)** solving SAT-problems.
- **FZJ** [Willsch et al. 2021] found that the **DWA quantum annealer** was **superior to HPC simulation of the QAOA** on the maxcut problem describing **flight logistics**
- But **DWA is inferior to the classical SATonGPU** on similar optimisation problems !!

[QAOA for Max-Cut requires hundreds of qubits for quantum speed-up](#)

G. G. Guerreschi & A. Y. Matsuura, Scientific Reports 9:6903 (2019)

[GPU-accelerated simulations of quantum annealing and the quantum approximate optimization algorithm](#)

D. Willsch, M. Willsch, F. Jin, K. Michielsen, and H. De Raedt; arXiv:2104.03293

[Benchmarking Advantage and D-Wave 2000Q quantum annealers with exact cover problems](#)

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[3-regular three-XORSAT planted solutions benchmark of classical and quantum heuristic optimizers](#)

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Solver	Parallel tempering	Fujitsu digital annealer unit	
Hardware	Single CPU	ASIC	
Connectivity	Full, dense	Full, dense	
Max QUBO size $n$	RAM-limited, 10 000	8192/4096/2048, *precision dependent	
Precision	64 bit float $\approx 10^{-16}$	16/32/64 bit (signed int) $\approx 10^{-4}/10^{-9}/10^{-19}$	
Parallelization	1 per CPU core	8 per DA	
Accessed via	USC-UNM code	DA Center Japan 4/25/2020	
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Toshiba simulated bifurcation machine	D-Wave advantage 1.1	SATonGPU	
Single GPU	Superconducting qubits		
small $n$ : full, dense; large $n$ : full, sparse	Pegasus (Deg. 15)		
10 000 max, $10^6 J_{ij} \neq 0$	Clique: 128, 3R3X: $\approx 256$ , native: 5436		
64 bit float $\approx 10^{-16}$	Noise-limited. $\approx 5$ bit or $10^{-2}$		
40 per GPU	$\lfloor n_{\max}/n \rfloor$ replicas *connectivity dependent		
Amazon Web Services [51] 8/20/2020	LEAP cloud 10/31/2020	Single GPU	
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		RAM-limited, >10 000	
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