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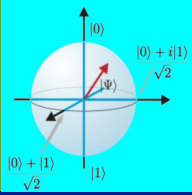
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Programming a Quantum Computer

Dave Wecker

QuArC Chief Architect, Microsoft Research





Quantum Computing in the Media



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Quantum Chip Helps Crack Code

Experimental chip does part of code-cracking quantum algorithm

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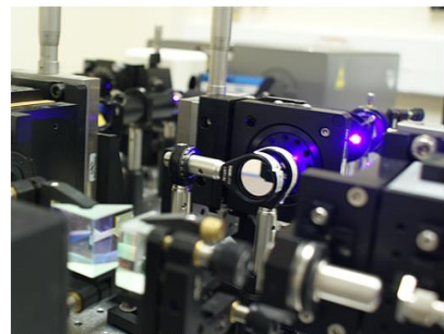


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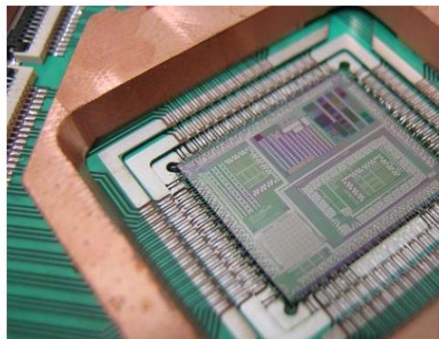
3 September 2009—Modern cryptography relies on the extreme difficulty computers have in factoring huge numbers, but an algorithm that works only on a quantum computer could factor numbers in minutes. The new algorithm, developed by the University of Bristol, is the first to work on a quantum computer.



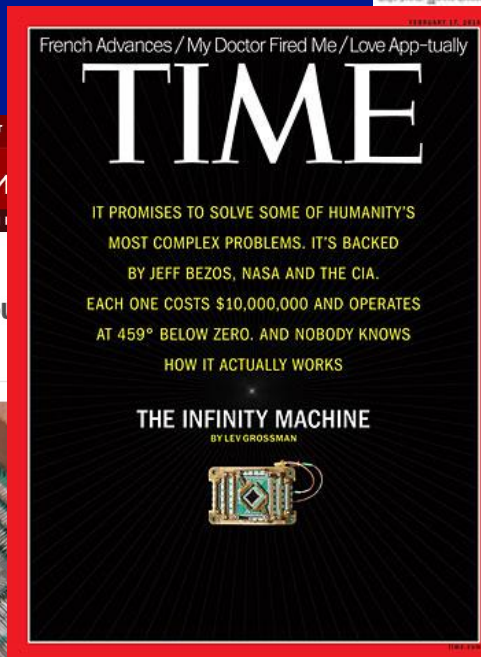
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Nasa buys into 'quantum' computer

By Alex Mansfield
BBC Radio Science Unit



The machine does not fit the conventional concept of a quantum computer, but makes use of quantum effects



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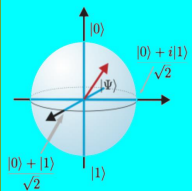
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Nasa buys a Quantum Computer



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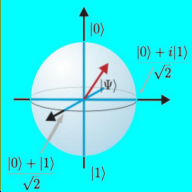
Google and a corporation associated with NASA are forming a laboratory to study artificial intelligence by means of computers that use the unusual properties of quantum physics. Their quantum computer, which performs complex calculations thousands of times faster than existing supercomputers, is expected to be in active use in the third quarter of this year.



A Little Motivation

- **Nitrogen Fixation:**
 - Making fertilizer uses a process from 1909 and uses lots of energy (400°C/200 atm)
 - Cost: 3-5% of the world's natural gas production (1-2% of the world's annual energy)
 - Design of a new catalyst would take ~100-200 qubits (inexpensive fertilizer)
- **Carbon Capture:**
 - Cost: Capturing at point sources will result in 21-90% increase in energy cost
 - Design a new catalyst to extract CO_2 from the air would take ~200-400 qubits
- **Design of new chemicals and materials:**
 - Today 1/3 of all supercomputing time is spent on chemistry and materials modeling
 - Designs that can never be done classically are solvable with a few hundred qubits
 - Pharmaceuticals, High temperature Super Conductors (energy, transportation...)
 - Example: gain back current 6.5% transmission loss in power lines

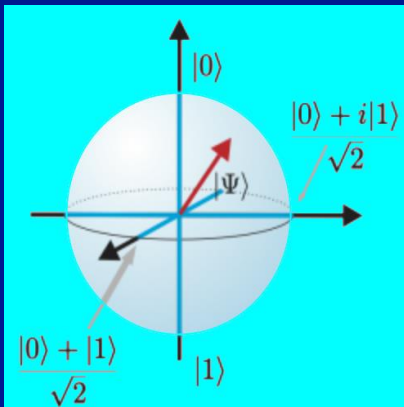




Classical vs. Quantum Computing

Basic unit: **bit** = 0 or 1

A qubit lies on the surface of what is known as the Bloch sphere:



Basic unit: **qubit** = unit vector $\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$

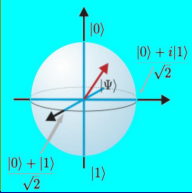
α, β are complex values ($|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$)

The Z coordinate is north-south and is our computational basis (what we can measure)

When we read a qubit we get a single bit

Probability based on position along the Z axis (how close are we to $|0\rangle$ or $|1\rangle$?)

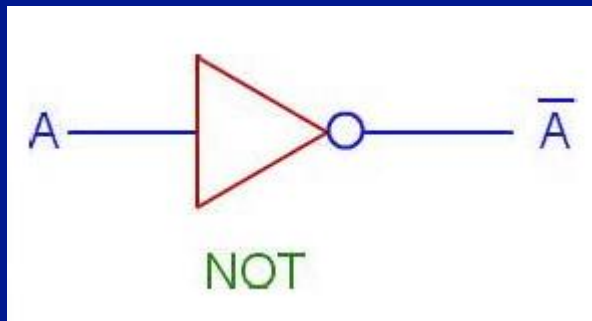
If we're on the equator we have a 50/50 probability of measuring a 0 or a 1



Classical vs. Quantum Computing

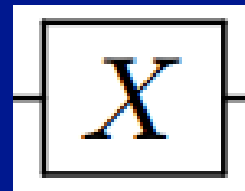
Basic unit: **bit** = 0 or 1

Computing: **logical** operation

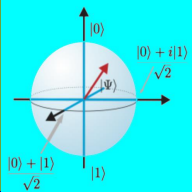


Basic unit: **qubit** = unit vector $\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$

Computing: **unitary** operation



$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

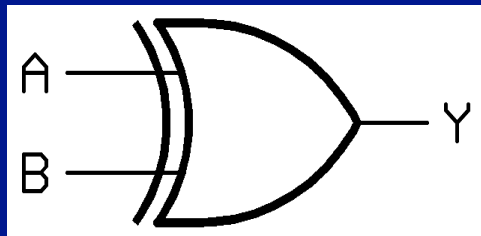


Classical vs. Quantum Computing

Basic unit: **bit** = 0 or 1

Computing: **logical** operation

Description: **truth table**



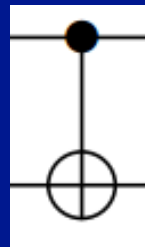
XOR gate

A	B	Y
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Basic unit: **qubit** = unit vector $\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$

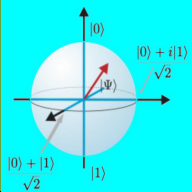
Computing: **unitary** operation

Description: **unitary matrix**



CNOT gate

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Classical vs. Quantum Computing

Basic unit: **bit** = 0 or 1

Computing: **logical** operation

Description: **truth table**

Direction: Most gates only run **forward**

Copying: Independent copies are easy

Noise: Manageable with minimal ECC

Input/Output: Linear

Storage: n bits hold 1 value from 0 to $2^n - 1$

Computation:

An n-bit ALU: 1 operation/cycle

Basic unit: **qubit** = unit vector $\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$

Computing: **unitary** operation

Description: **unitary matrix**

Direction: Most gates are **reversible** (matrices)

Copying: Independent copies are **impossible**

Noise: Difficult to overcome. Sophisticated **QECC**

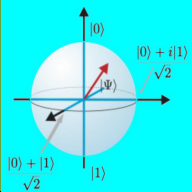
Input: Linear, Output: Probabilistic (sub-linear)

Storage: n qubits can hold 2^n values

Computation:

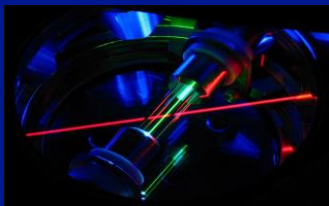
An n-qubit ALU: 2^n operations/cycle



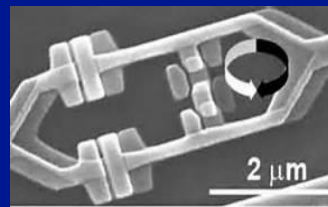


Quantum Technologies

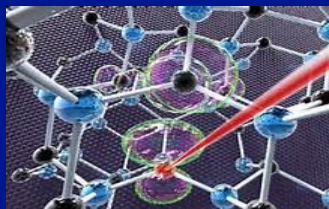
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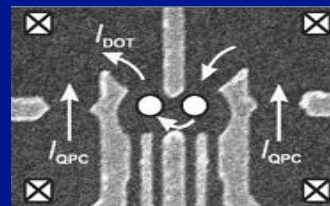
Super-
conductors



NV centers



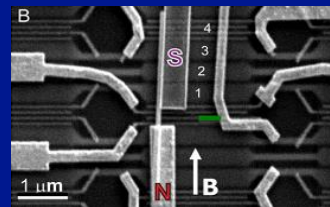
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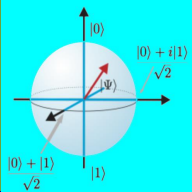


Linear
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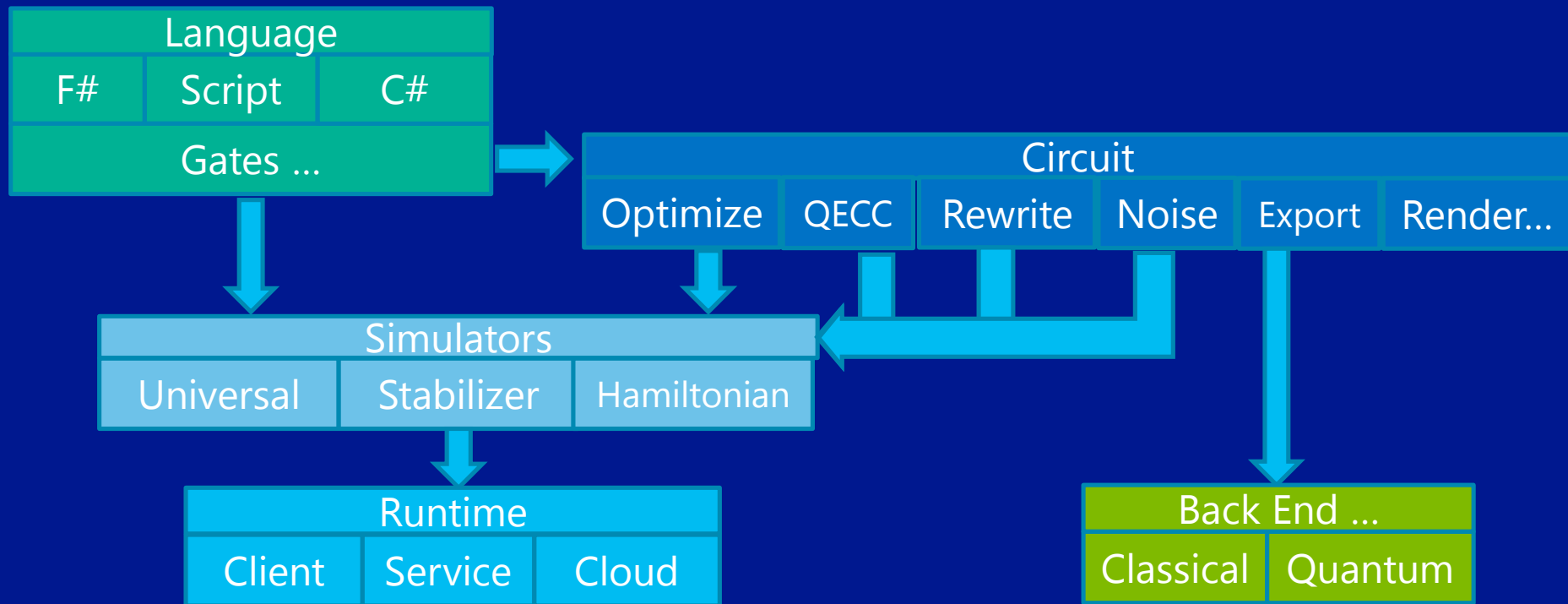


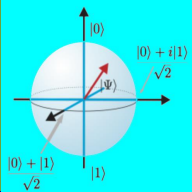
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The LIQUi|> Simulation Platform



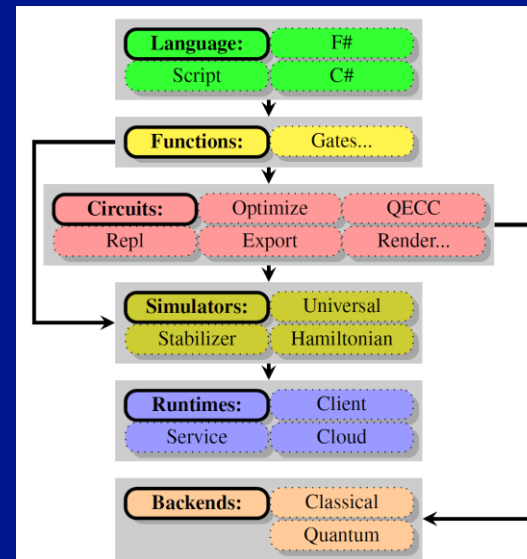
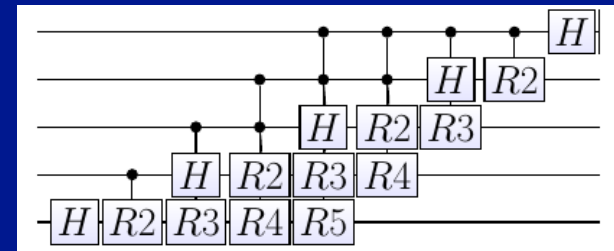


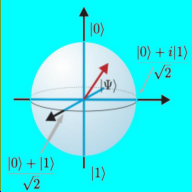
Recent paper on LIQUi|>

LIQUi|>: A Software Design Architecture and Domain-Specific Language for Quantum Computing. Dave Wecker, Krysta M. Svore

Languages, compilers, and computer-aided design tools will be essential for scalable quantum computing, which promises an exponential leap in our ability to execute complex tasks. LIQUi|> is a modular software architecture designed to control quantum hardware. It enables easy programming, compilation, and simulation of quantum algorithms and circuits, and is independent of a specific quantum architecture. LIQUi|> contains an embedded, domain-specific language designed for programming quantum algorithms, with F# as the host language. It also allows the extraction of a circuit data structure that can be used for optimization, rendering, or translation. The circuit can also be exported to external hardware and software environments. Two different simulation environments are available to the user which allow a trade-off between number of qubits and class of operations. LIQUi|> has been implemented on a wide range of runtimes as back-ends with a single user front-end. We describe the significant components of the design architecture and how to express any given quantum algorithm.

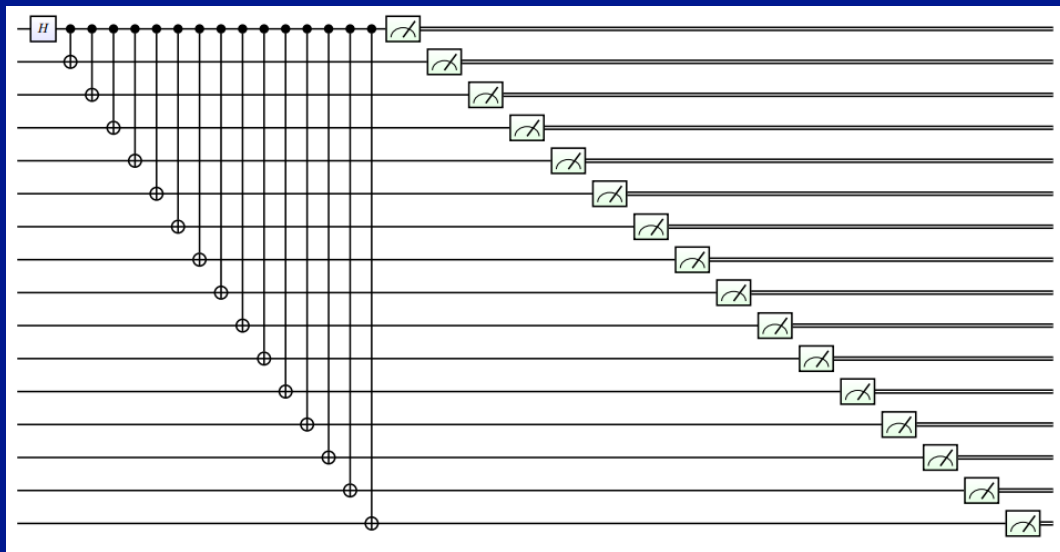
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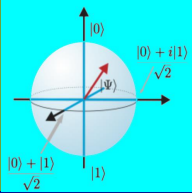


Efficient quantum implementation language

```
let entangle (qs:Qubits) =
  H qs; let q0 = qs.Head
  for q in qs.Tail do CNOT[q0;q]
  M >< qs
```



0:0000.0/#### Iter	0 [0.2030]:	00000000000000
0:0000.0/#### Iter	1 [0.1186]:	00000000000000
0:0000.0/#### Iter	2 [0.0895]:	00000000000000
0:0000.0/#### Iter	3 [0.0749]:	00000000000000
0:0000.0/#### Iter	4 [0.0664]:	11111111111111
0:0000.0/#### Iter	5 [0.0597]:	00000000000000
0:0000.0/#### Iter	6 [0.0550]:	11111111111111
0:0000.0/#### Iter	7 [0.0512]:	00000000000000
0:0000.0/#### Iter	8 [0.0484]:	00000000000000
0:0000.0/#### Iter	9 [0.0463]:	00000000000000
0:0000.0/#### Iter	10 [0.0446]:	00000000000000
0:0000.0/#### Iter	11 [0.0432]:	11111111111111
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0:0000.0/#### Iter	15 [0.0399]:	00000000000000
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0:0000.0/#### Iter	17 [0.0387]:	11111111111111
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0:0000.0/#### Iter	19 [0.0374]:	11111111111111

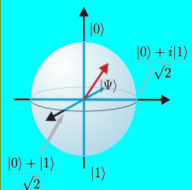


User definition of a gate

```

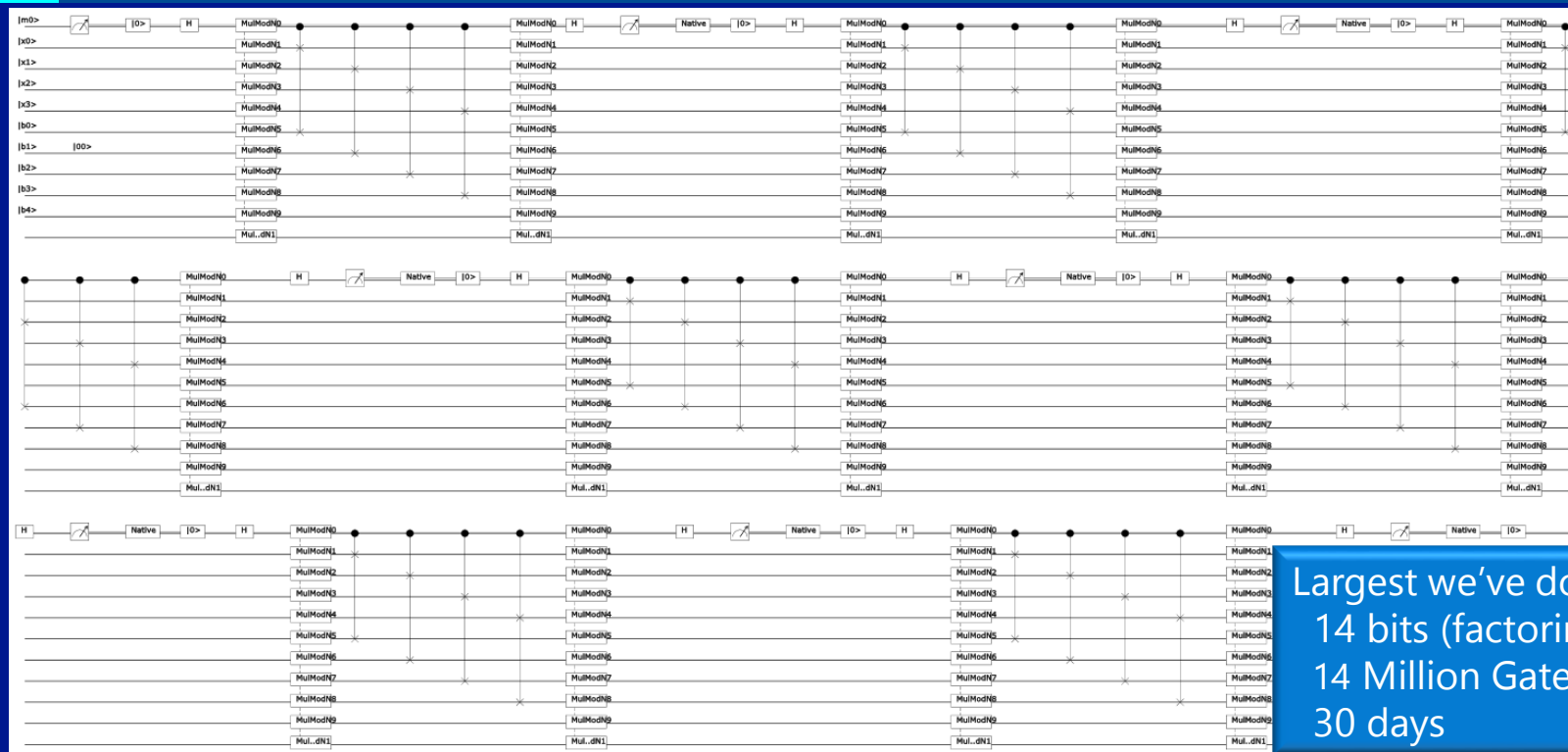
/// <summary>
/// Controlled NOT gate
/// </summary>
/// <param name="qs"> Use first two qubits for gate</param>
[<LQD>]
let CNOT (qs:Qubits) =
    let gate =
        Gate.Build("CNOT", fun () ->
            new Gate(
                Name      = "CNOT",
                Help      = "Controlled NOT",
                Mat       = CSMat(4, [(0,0,1.,0.); (1,1,1.,0.);
                                     (2,3,1.,0.); (3,2,1.,0.)]),
                Draw      = "\\ctrl{#1}\\go[#1]\\targ"
            ))
    gate.Run qs

```

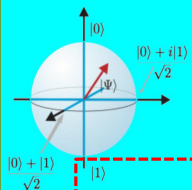


Shor's algorithm: Full Circuit:

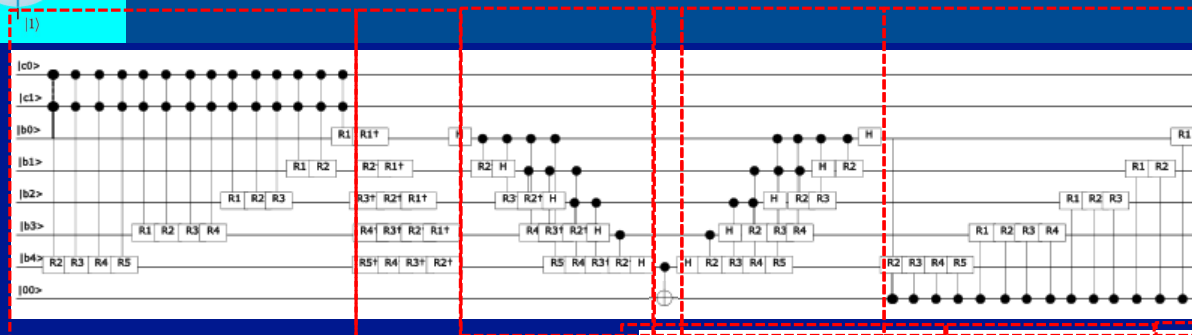
4 bits \cong 8200 gates



Largest we've done:
14 bits (factoring 8193)
14 Million Gates
30 days



Shor's algorithm: Modular Adder



As defined in:
Circuit for Shor's algorithm using $2n+3$ qubits
 – Stéphane Beauregard

let op (qs:Qubits) =

CCAdd a cbs

AddA' N bs

QFT' bs

CNOT [bMx;anc]

QFT bs

CAddA N (anc :: bs)

CCAdd' a cbs

// Add a to $\Phi|b\rangle$

// Sub N from $\Phi|a + b\rangle$

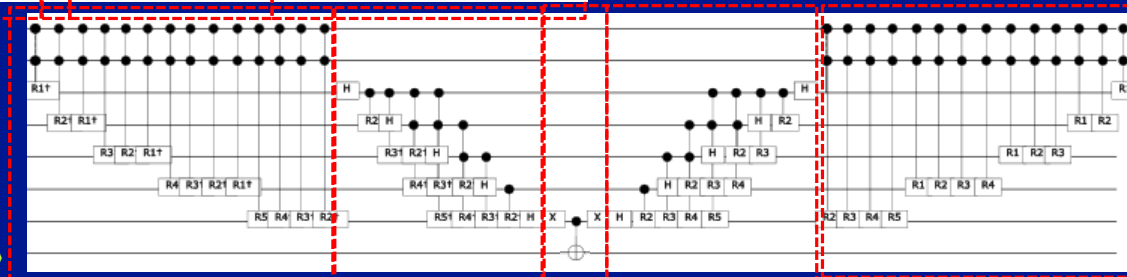
// Inverse QFT of $\Phi|a + b - N\rangle$

// Save top bit in Ancilla

// QFT of $a+b-N$

// Add back N if negative

// Subtract a from $\Phi|a + b \bmod N\rangle$



QFT' bs

X [bMx]

CNOT [bMx;anc]

X [bMx]

QFT bs

CCAdd a cbs

// Inverse QFT

// Flip top bit

// Reset Ancilla to $|0\rangle$

// Flip top bit back

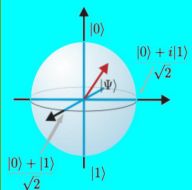
// QFT back

// Finally get $\Phi|a + b \bmod N\rangle$

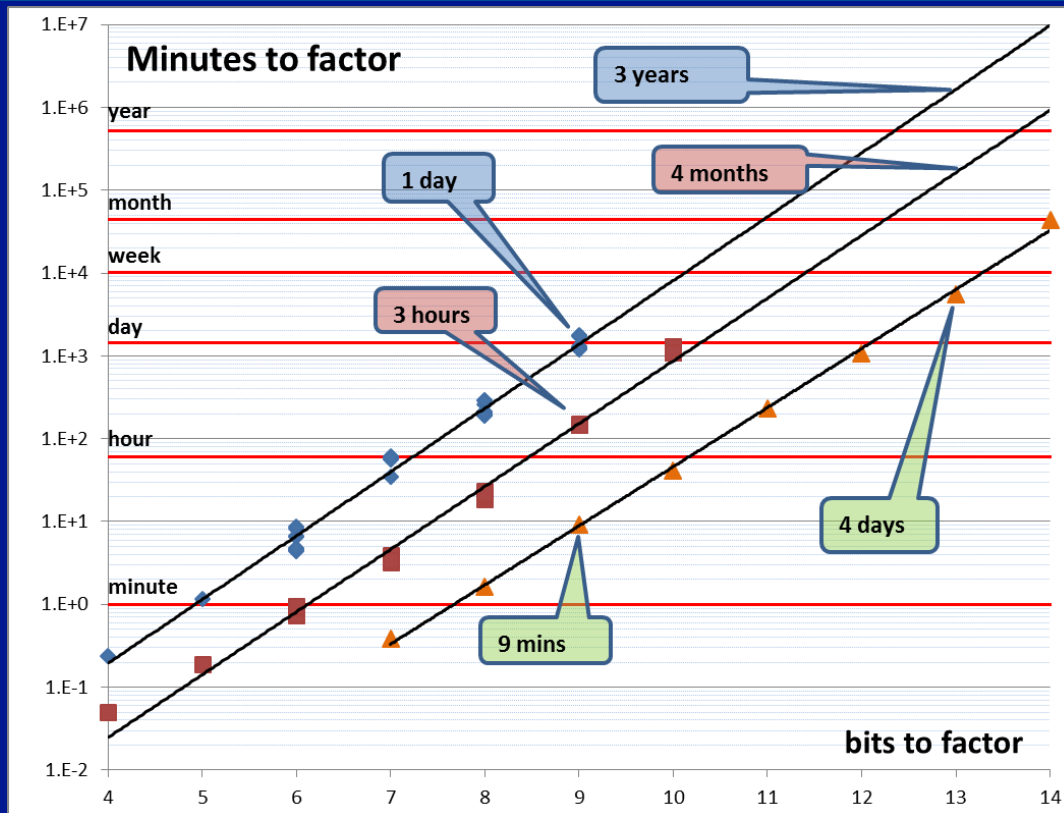


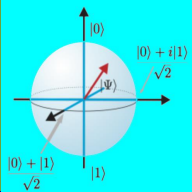
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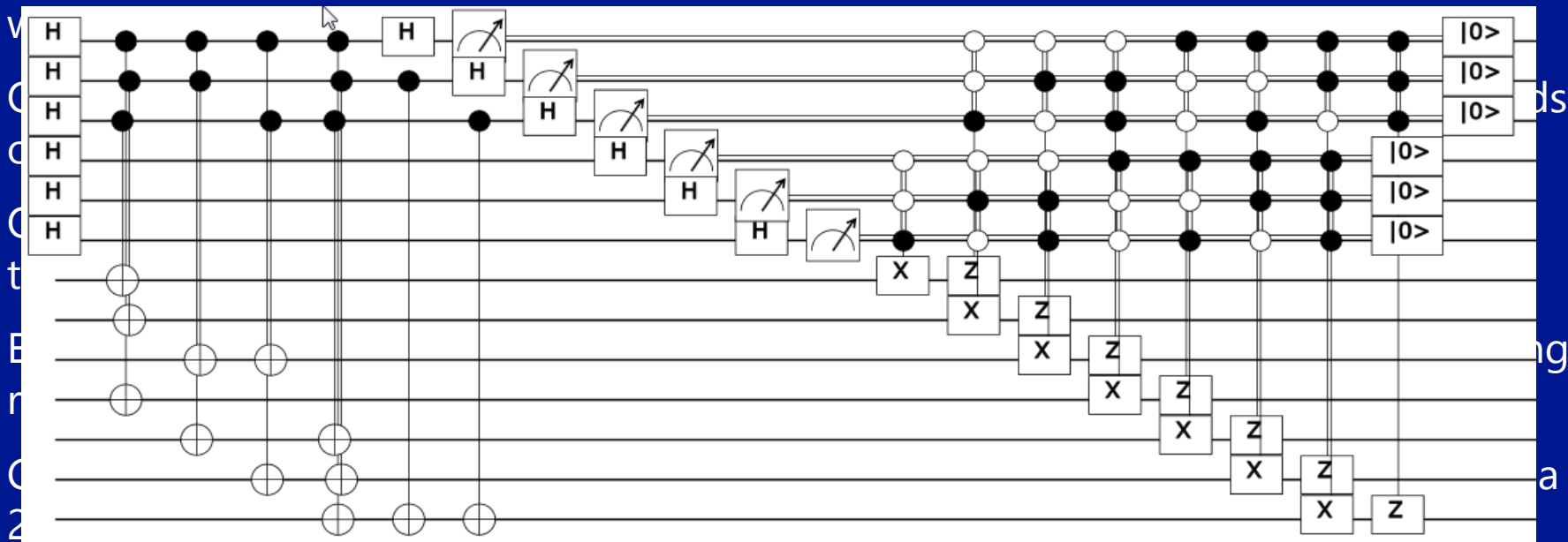
Shor's algorithm results

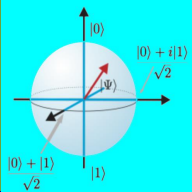




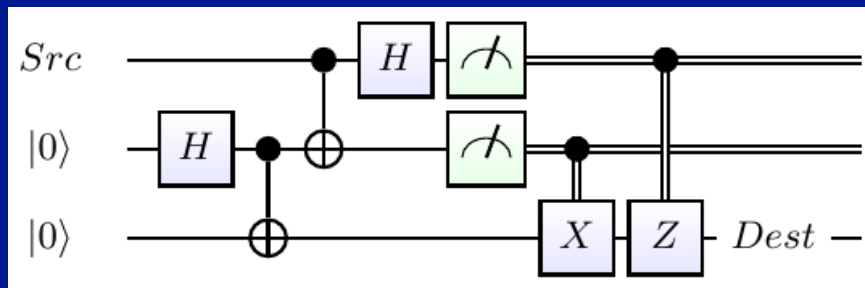
QECC: Quantum Error Correction Codes

- LIQUi|> has a user extensible module allowing circuits to be re-written automatically

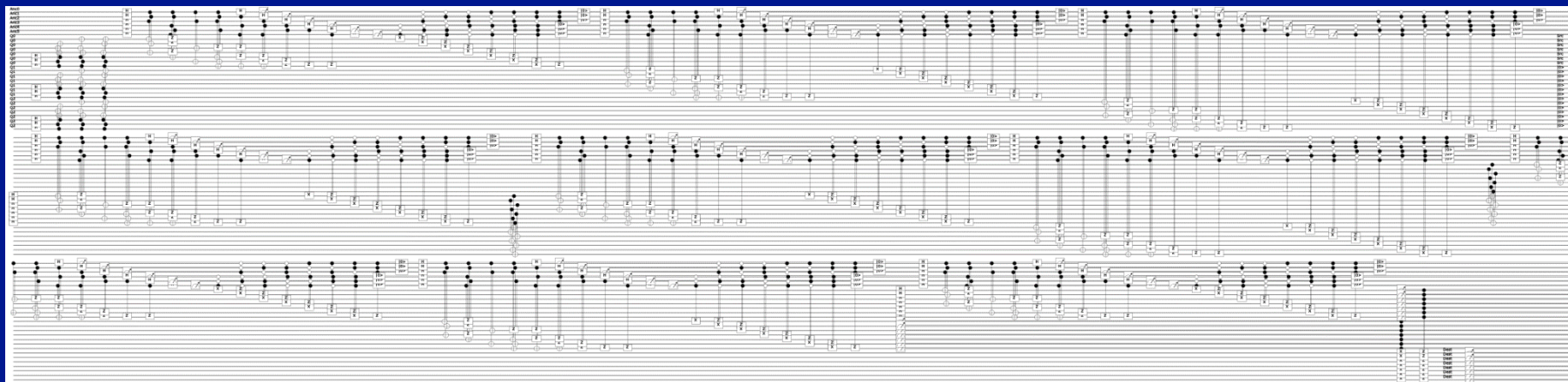


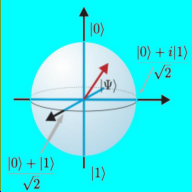


Full Teleport Circuit in a Steane7 Code



3 qubits go to 27





Spin-Glass Models

$$H(t) = \Gamma(t) \sum_{i=1}^N \Delta_i \sigma_i^x + \Lambda(t) \left(\sum_{i=1}^N h_i \sigma_i^z + \sum_{i,j=1}^N J_{ij} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z \right)$$

Quantum annealing

Sergio Boixo, Troels F. Rønnow, David Wecker, Dan

Quantum technology devices, such as quantum random number generators with capabilities exceeding a classical annealer, in particular, are evolving a known path towards the ground state of a problem. Here, we use a qubit D-Wave One quantum annealer, a quantum device and classical computer to demonstrate that the quantum device can find additional evidence for small-gap avoided crossings. To assess the problems. To assess the compare it to optimal



Yes, you can

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Defining and detecting quantum speedup

Troels F. Rønnow,¹ Zhihui Wang,^{2,3} Joshua Job,^{3,4} Sergio Boixo,⁵ Sergei V. Isakov,⁶ David Wecker,⁷ John M. Martinis,⁸ Daniel A. Lidar,^{2,3,4,9} Matthias Troyer^{1*}

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The development of small-scale quantum devices raises the question of how to fairly assess and detect quantum speedup. Here we show how to define and measure quantum speedup, and how to avoid pitfalls that might mask or fake such a speedup. We illustrate our discussion with data from tests run on a D-Wave Two device with up to 503 qubits. Using random spin glass instances as a benchmark, we find no evidence of quantum speedup when the entire data set is considered, and obtain inconclusive results when comparing subsets of instances on an instance-by-instance basis. Our results do not rule out the possibility of speedup for other classes of problems and illustrate the subtle nature of the quantum speedup question.

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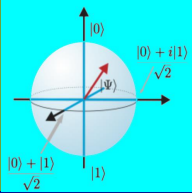
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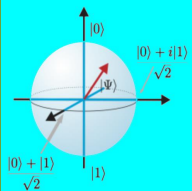
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Quantum Walks (PageRank example)

- Start with a standard stochastic probability matrix for PageRank (G)
- Define a Hamiltonian: $\mathcal{H} = (\mathbb{I} - G)^\dagger (\mathbb{I} - G)$
- Convert to a Unitary: $U = e^{-i\mathcal{H}}$
- Evolve from a starting state of the static probabilities (or perform an adiabatic evolution in a 2nd quantized form)
- Accumulate average probabilities of evolving state vector
- Example: Synthetic web graph (recursive matrix definition) of 256 pages takes 8 qubits



Machine Learning

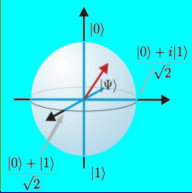
Translating classical algorithms is usually **not** the best approach:

1. You have to load all the data (at least linear time)
2. You have to process the data (may be exponentially faster)
3. You get to read-out one number as an answer (which is probabilistic)
4. Want another answer? Go back to step 1

However....

- **Quantum algorithm for solving linear systems of equations** (<http://arxiv.org/abs/0811.3171>)
 - Example of building a machine learning model (efficient to build, terrible to read the model out)
- **Preconditioned quantum linear system algorithm** (<http://arxiv.org/abs/1301.2340>)
 - Example of asking the right question (don't ask for the model, use it)
- True exponential speed up – if you can come up with the right circuit for finding inverse eigenvalues and pick various critical parameters
- Implemented in **LQ*Ui***). Ongoing research to do full general solutions





Quantum Chemistry

$$H = \sum_{pq} h_{pq} a_p^\dagger a_q + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{pqrs} h_{pqrs} a_p^\dagger a_q^\dagger a_r a_s$$

Can quantum chem

computer: Dave We **The Trotter Step Size Required for Accurate Quantum Simulation of Quantum Chemistry**
Hastings, Matthias T David Poulin, M. B. Hastings, Dave Wecker, Nathan Wiebe, Andrew C. Doherty, Matthias Troyer

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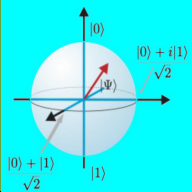
As quantum computers appear feasible application frequently simulating structure of computational perform quantum molecule to solve exact ten-fold in the required executed is not quantum computational problems, drastic al

Ferredoxin (Fe_2S_2) used in many metabolic reactions including energy transport in photosynthesis

- *Intractable on a classical computer*
- *First paper: ~300 million years to solve*
- *Second paper: ~30 years to solve (10^7 reduction)*
- *Third paper: ~300 seconds to solve (another 10^3 reduction)*

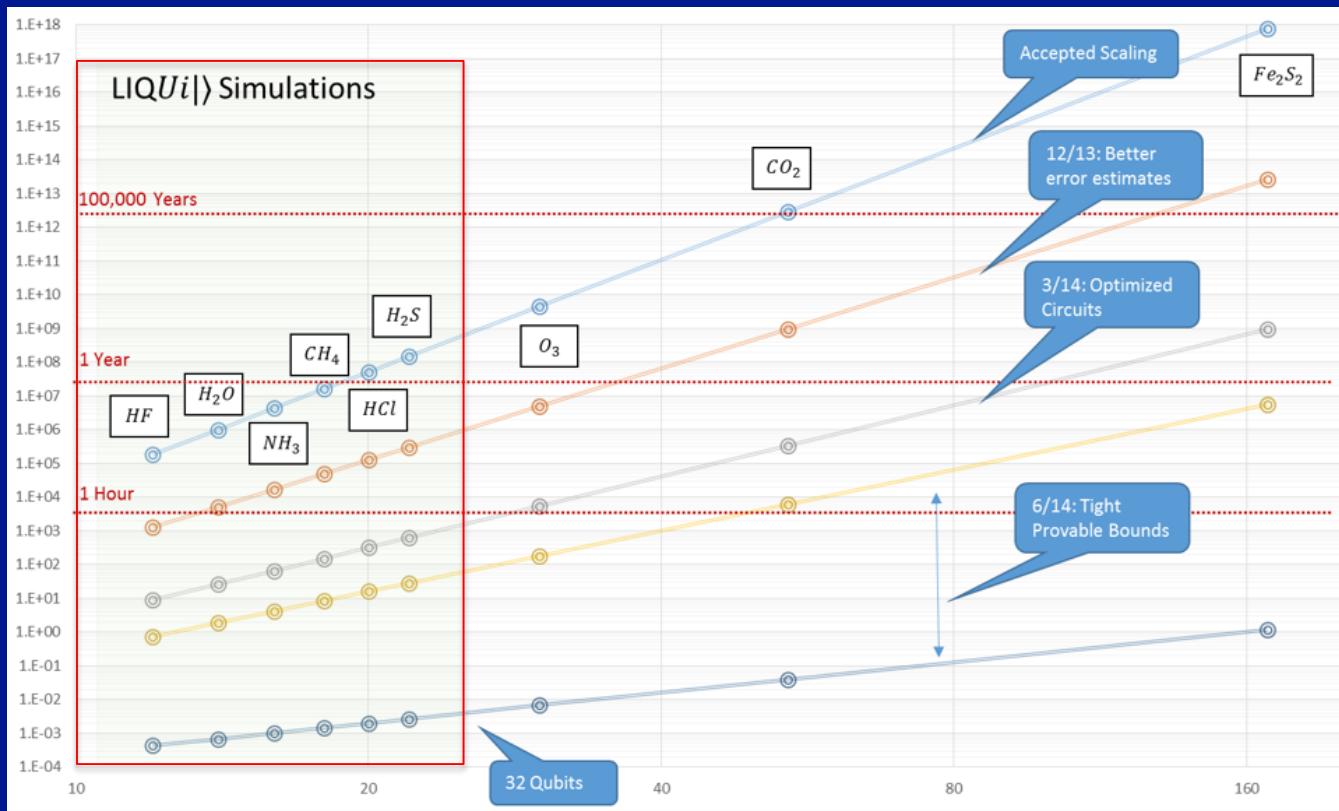
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<http://arxiv.org/abs/1406.4920>



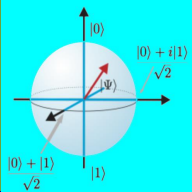
Quantum Chemistry

$$H = \sum_{pq} h_{pq} a_p^\dagger a_q + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{pqrs} h_{pqrs} a_p^\dagger a_q^\dagger a_r a_s$$



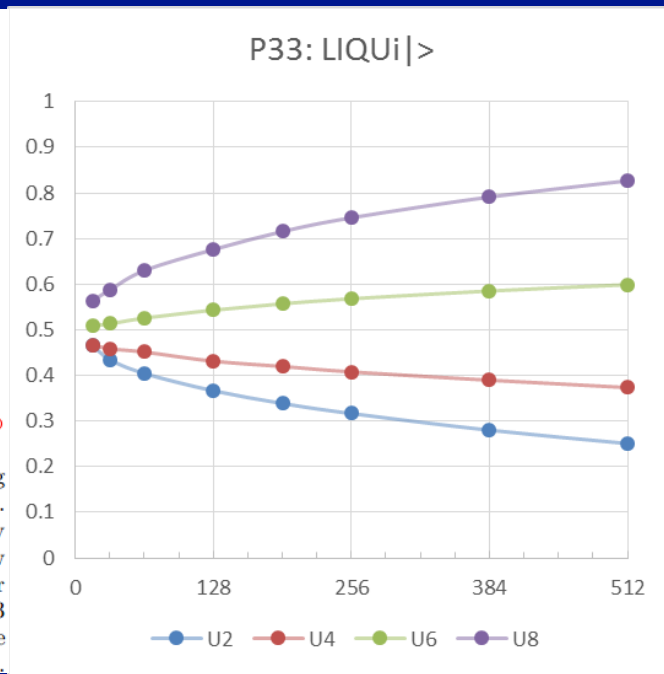
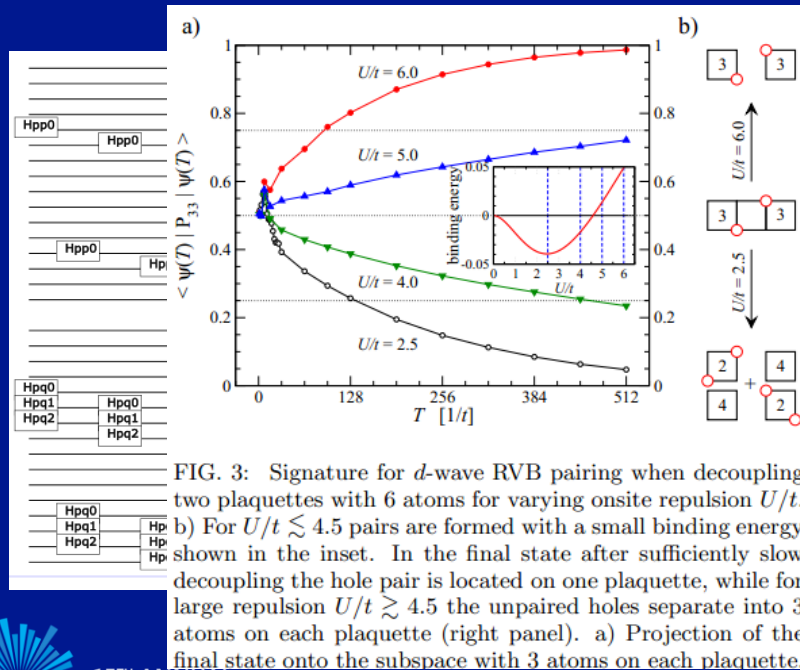
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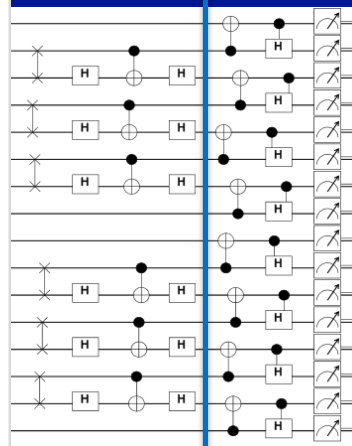


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$$H = - \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sum_{\sigma} t_{ij} (c_{i,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j,\sigma} + c_{j,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i,\sigma}) + U \sum_i n_{i,\uparrow} n_{i,\downarrow} + \sum_i \epsilon_i \eta_i$$

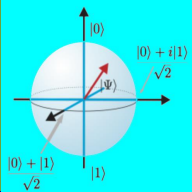


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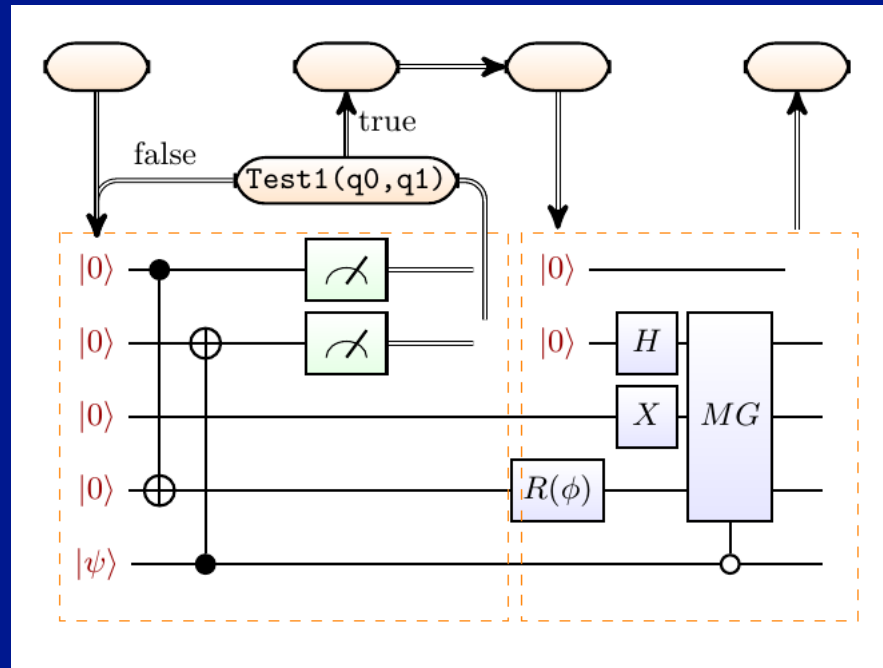
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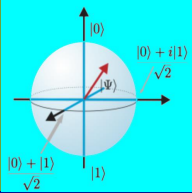
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let QFT (qs : Qs) =
  let n = qs.Length - 1
  for i = 0 to n do
    let q = qs.[i]
    H q
    for j = (i + 1) to n do
      let theta = 2.0 * Math.PI /
        float(1 <<< (j - i + 1))
      CRz theta qs.[j] q
    for i = 0 to ((n - 1) / 2) do
      SWAP qs.[i] qs.[n - i]
  
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let QftOp = compile QFT
let QftOp' = adjoint QftOp
  
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Thank You

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Referenced papers may be found at:

<http://research.microsoft.com/QuArC>

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