



# Leading the evolution of compute: Quantum Computing

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# Quantum Computing: Key Concepts

## Superposition

Classical Physics



Heads or Tails

Quantum Physics



Heads and Tails

- 50 Entangled Qubits = more states than any possible supercomputer
- 300 Entangled Qubits = more states than atoms in the universe
- Fragility will require error correction and likely millions of qubits

## Entanglement



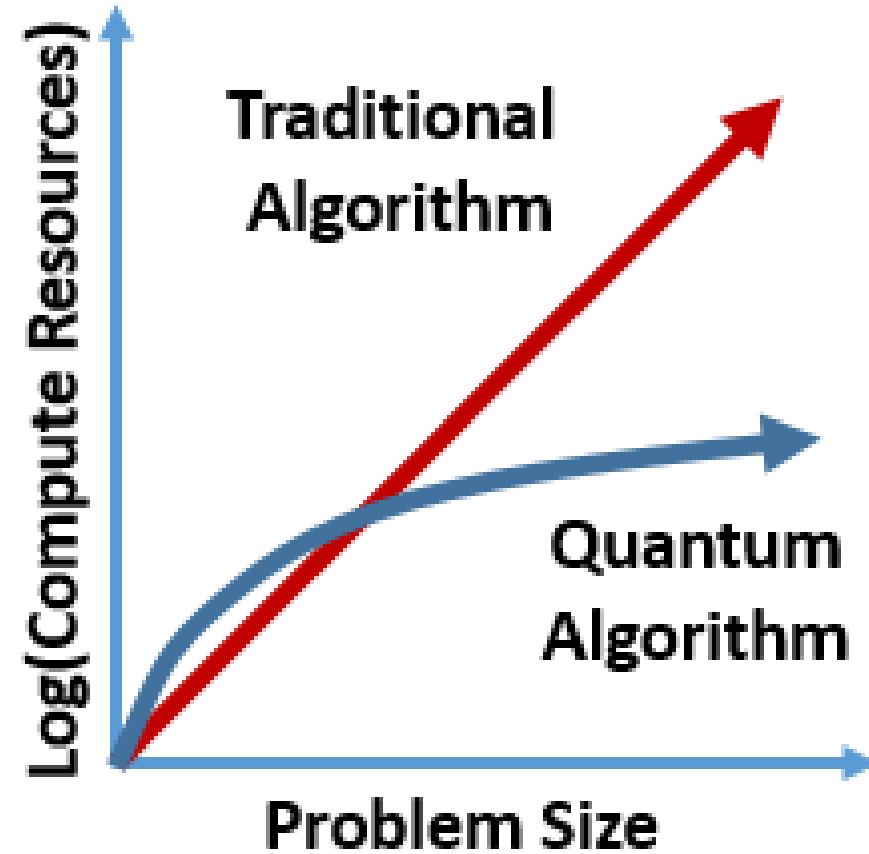
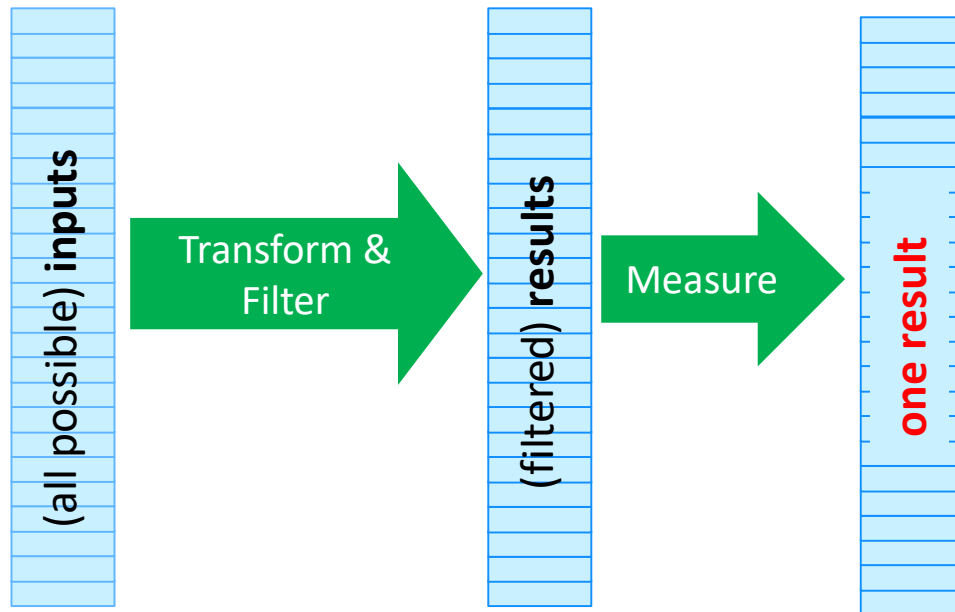
N Quantum Bits or **Qubits** =  $2^N$  States

## Fragility



**Observation or noise causes loss of information**

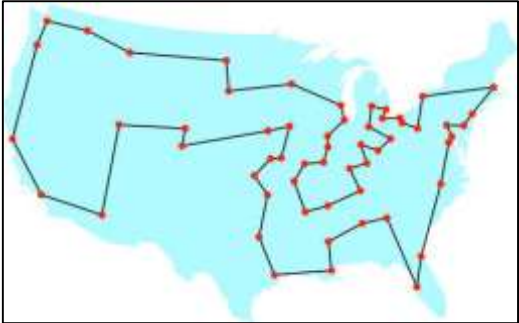
# The promise of quantum computing



Exponential speedup  $\leftrightarrow$  surpassing the limits of scaling

# Changing the World

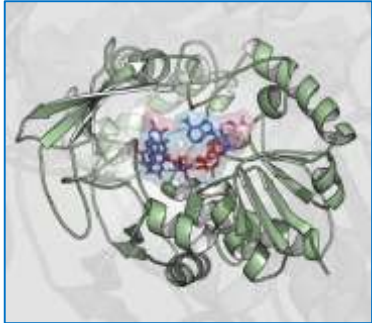
**TIME**  
“Quantum Will  
Change  
Everything”



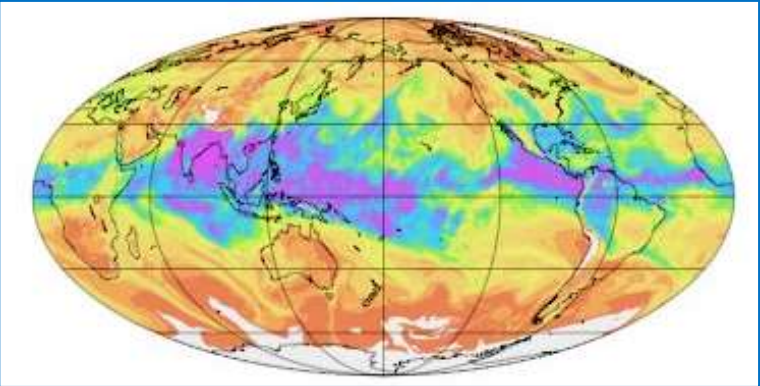
**Travel and Logistics**



**Image Processing**



**Pharmacology**



**Improved Forecasting**



**Improved Stock ROI**



**Cryptography**

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# Developing a Quantum Computer System

**Application Algorithms**

**Compilers/Runtimes**

**Control Electronics**

**Quantum Chip**

Challenges to be  
addresses at each level



# Intel – QuTech Research Collaboration

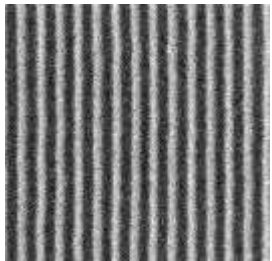


## Intel Labs:

- Algorithms
- System Architecture
- Control Electronics

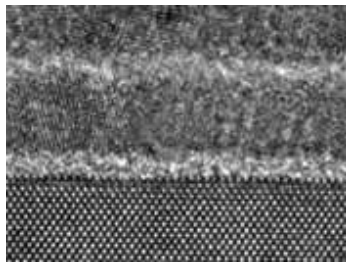
## TMG Components Research

### Patterning



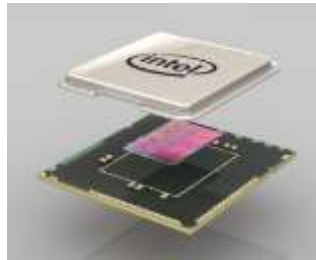
24nm Pitch Lines

### Atomic Layer Control



Metal Gate / High k on  
300mm Silicon Wafer

### Packaging



Assembly and Packaging  
Research



QuTech's Expertise in qubit  
operation and control

**Combining Intel capabilities with Delft expertise**

# Developing a Quantum Computer System

Application Algorithms

Compilers/Runtimes

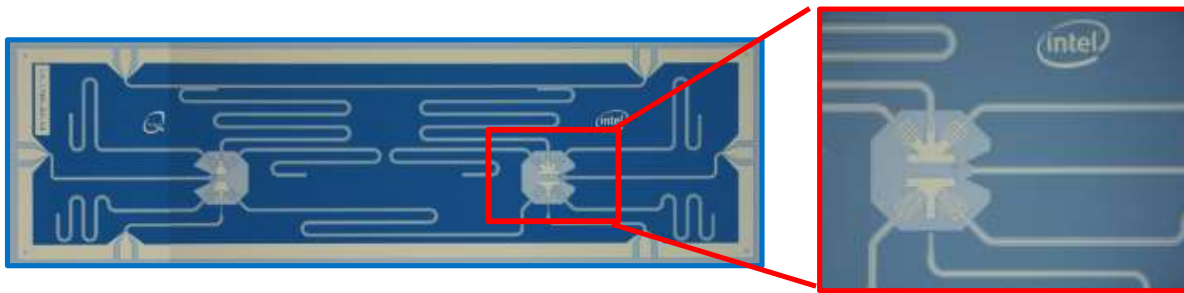
Control Electronics

Quantum Chip

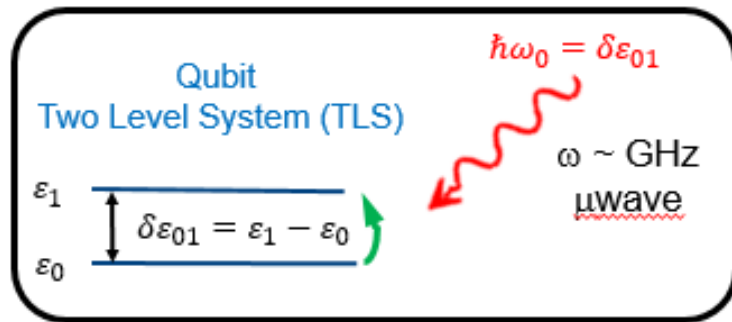
Qubit Device Design & Fabrication  
Assembly & Packaging  
Topology & Connectivity

# Building Better Qubits

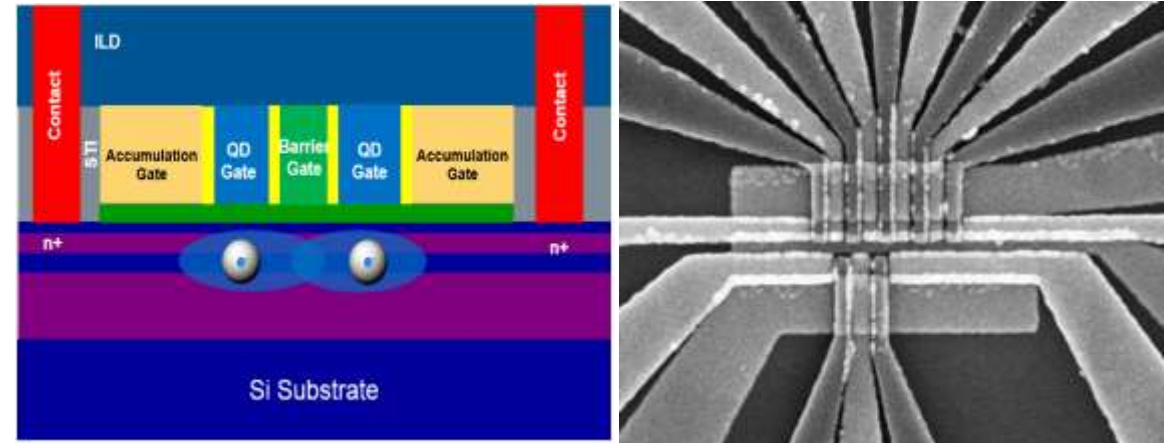
## Superconducting Qubits



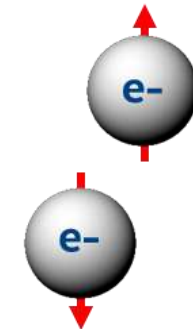
Very high quality microwave circuit



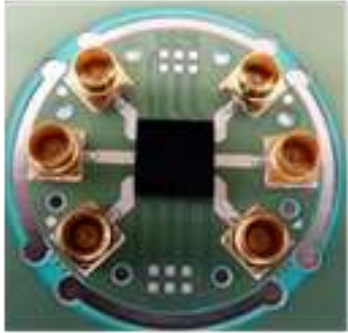
## Spin Qubits in Silicon



Single electron transistors, where qubit is spin state



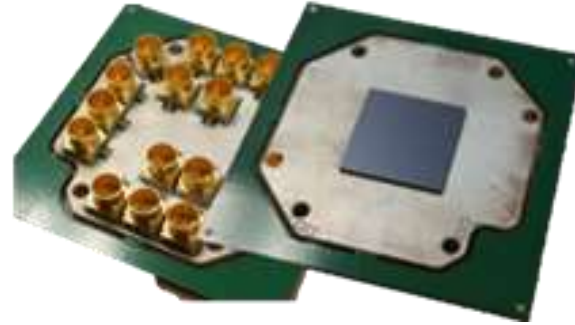
# Superconducting Qubit Progress



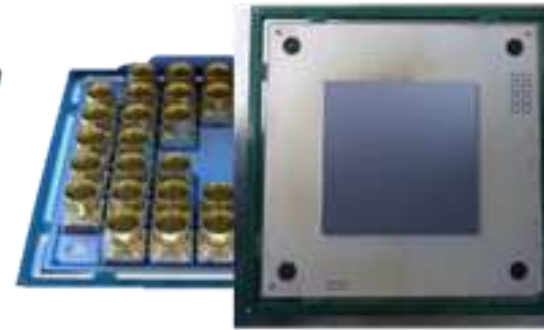
Resonator



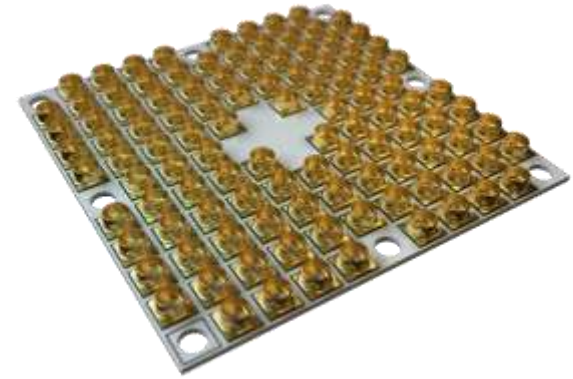
6 Qubits



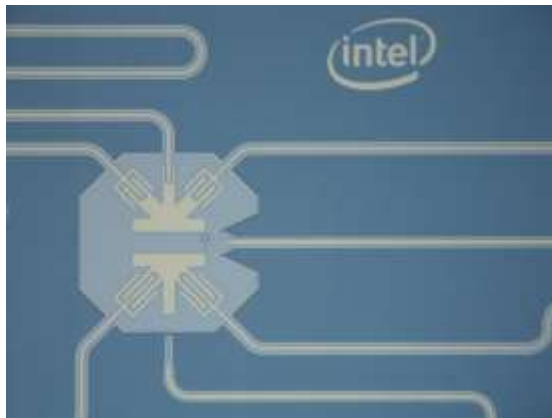
7 Qubit Array



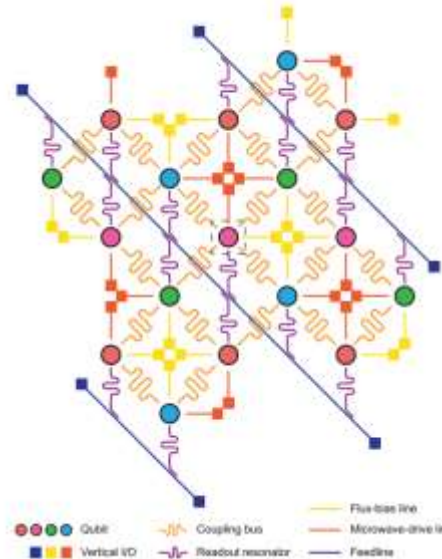
17 Qubit Array



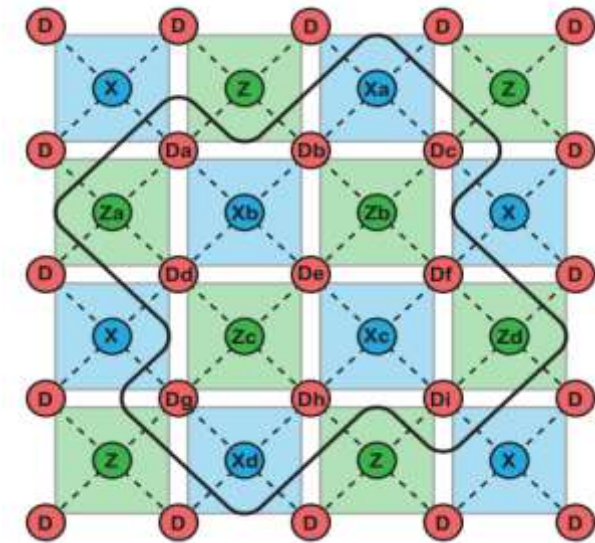
Tangle Lake



Starmon Geometry  
with up to 30us T1

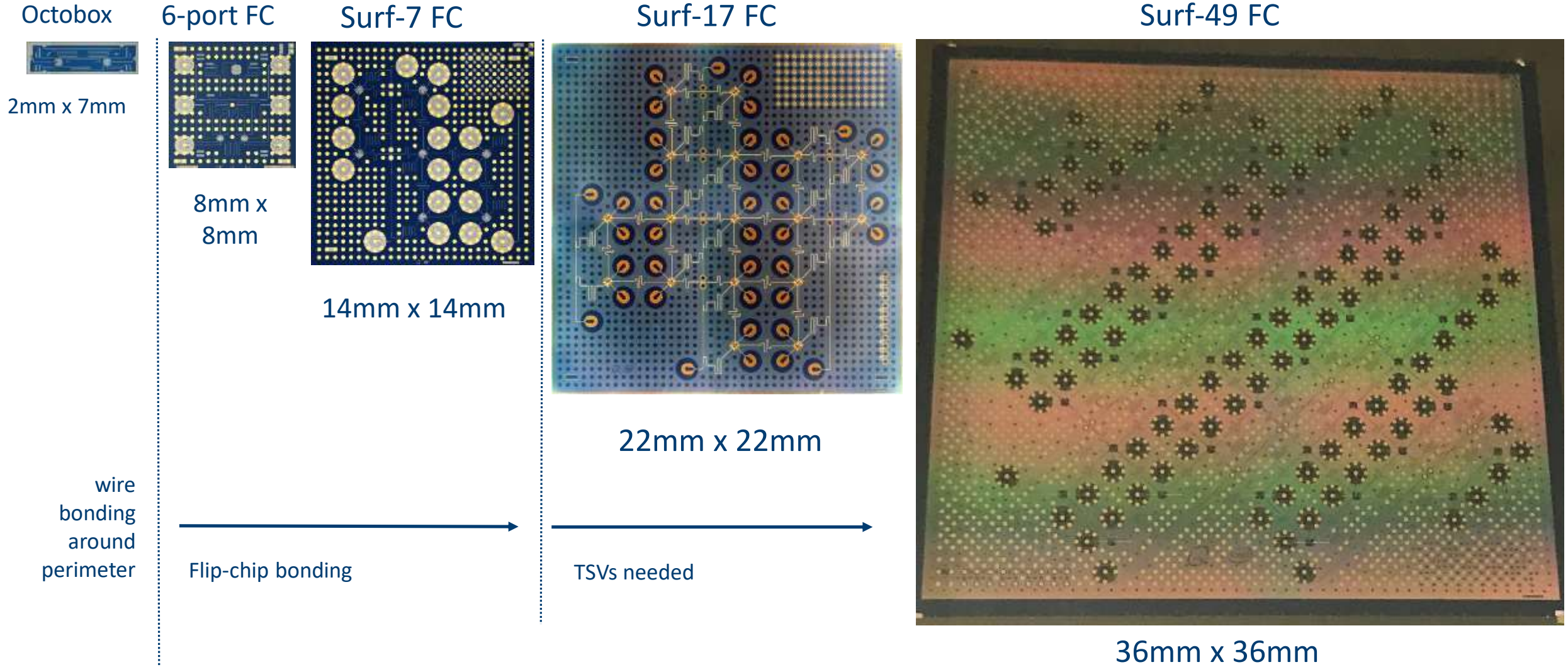


Shared Feedlines

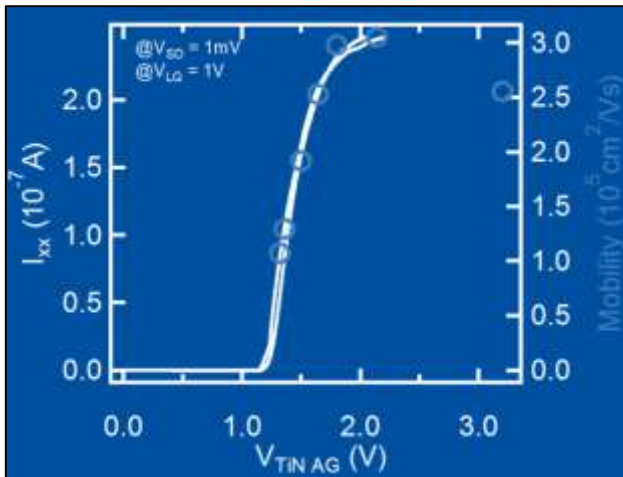
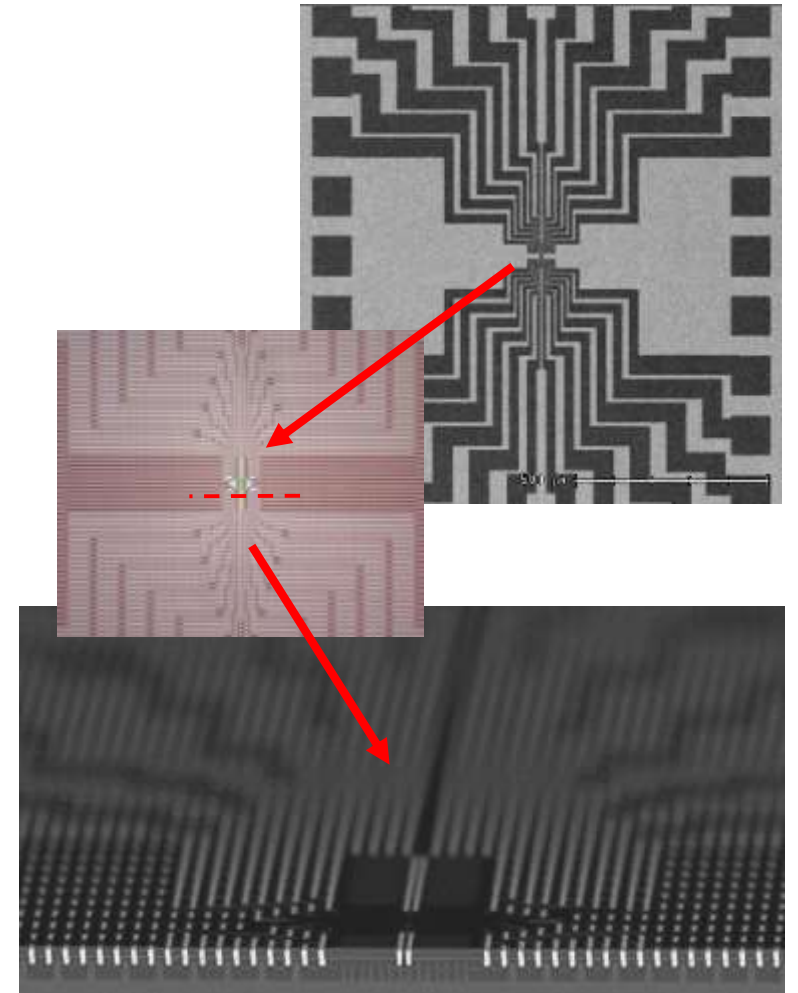
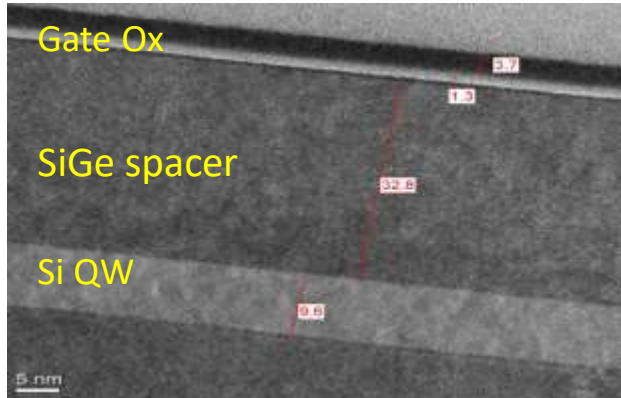


Surface Code Topology

# Flip-chip die evolution



# Spin Qubits In Silicon



Characterizing LAB devices



First 300mm isotopically pure silicon  
and world class mobility

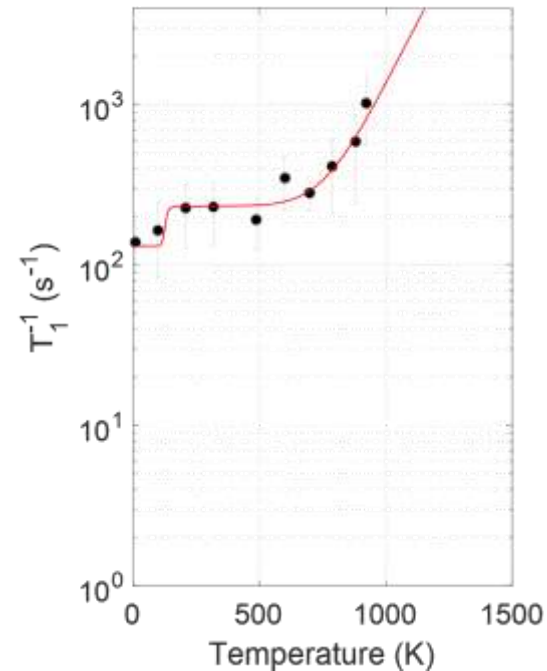
QD array devices almost ready  
with FAB quality Si

# Spin Qubits at higher temperatures

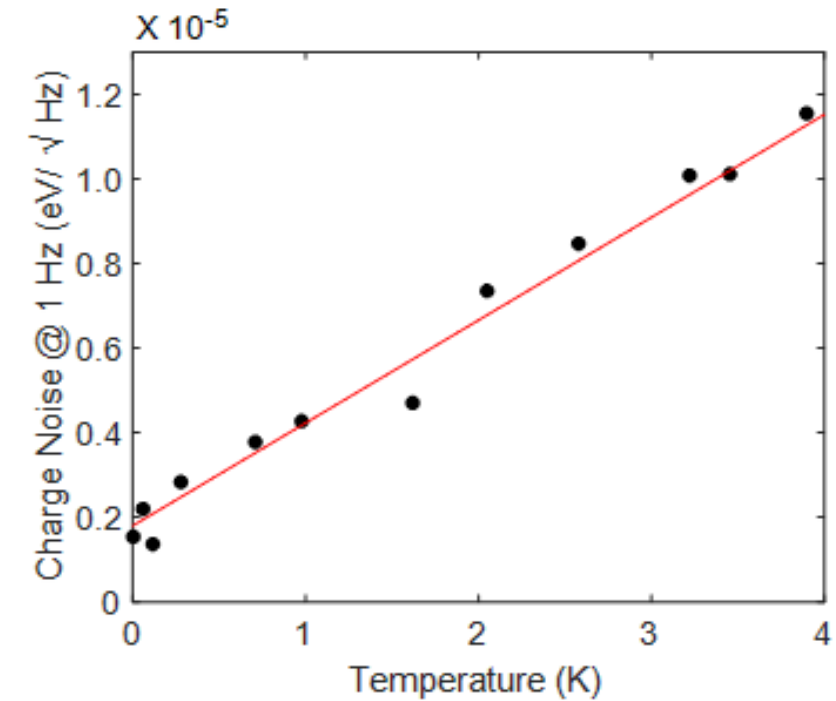
## Hot-Qubits

- To increase cooling power available for larger arrays
- Spin Relaxation
  - Short coherence times affects gate operations
  - $T_1=2.8\text{ms}$  @ 1.1K; longer at lower B / higher Evs
- Charge Noise
  - Single qubit gates & two-qubit gates are affected
  - Linear increase 1 – 4K

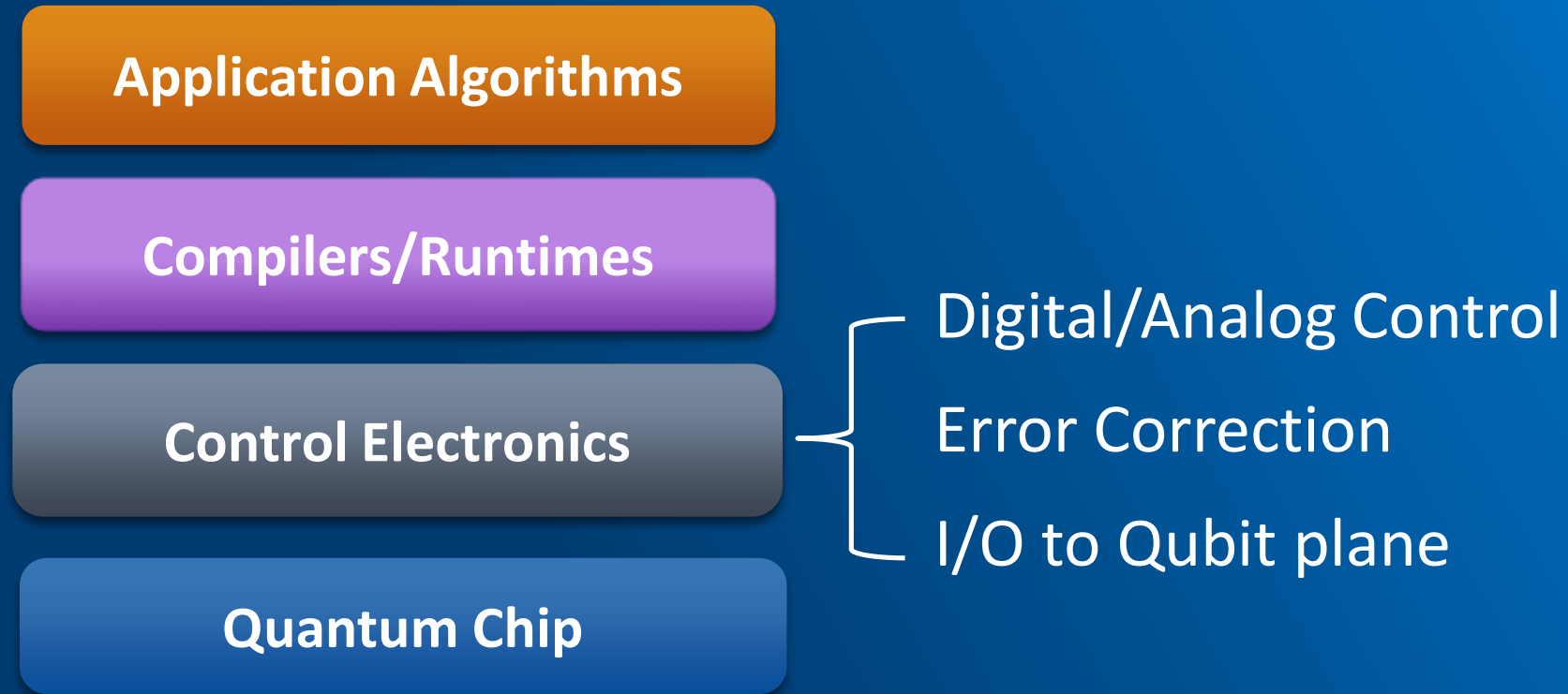
Relaxation time  $T_1$



Charge Noise



# Developing a Quantum Computer System



# Scaling I/O to the Qubit Plane



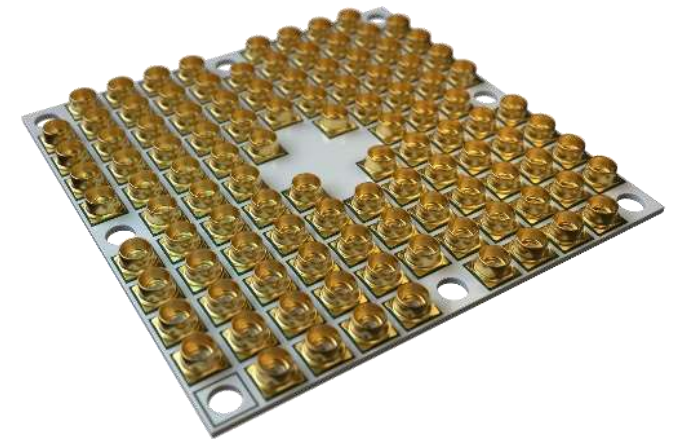
## Processor

- $10^9$  transistors
- $10^3$  pins



## 3D NAND Memory

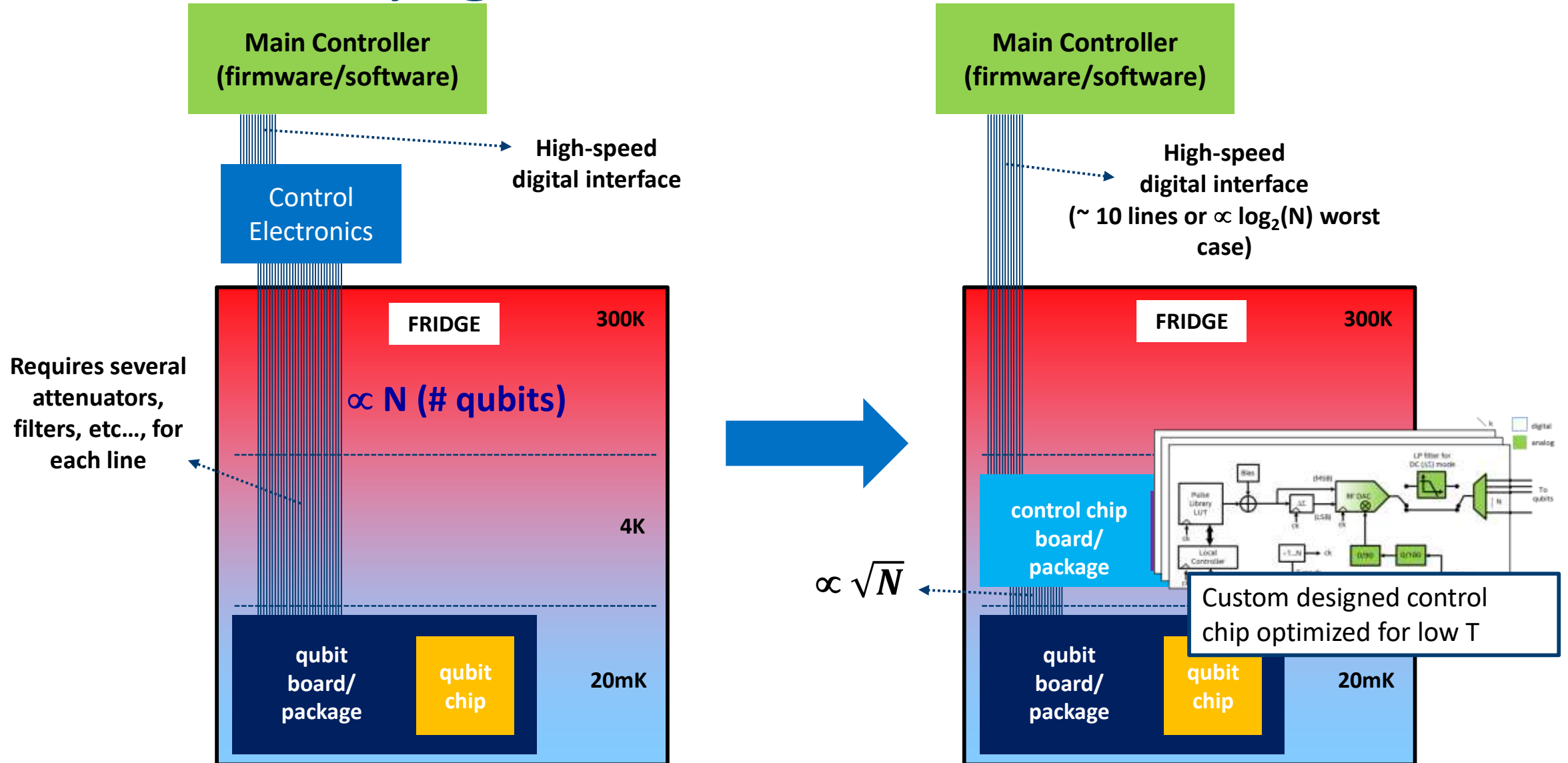
- $10^{12}$  bytes
- $10^2$  pins



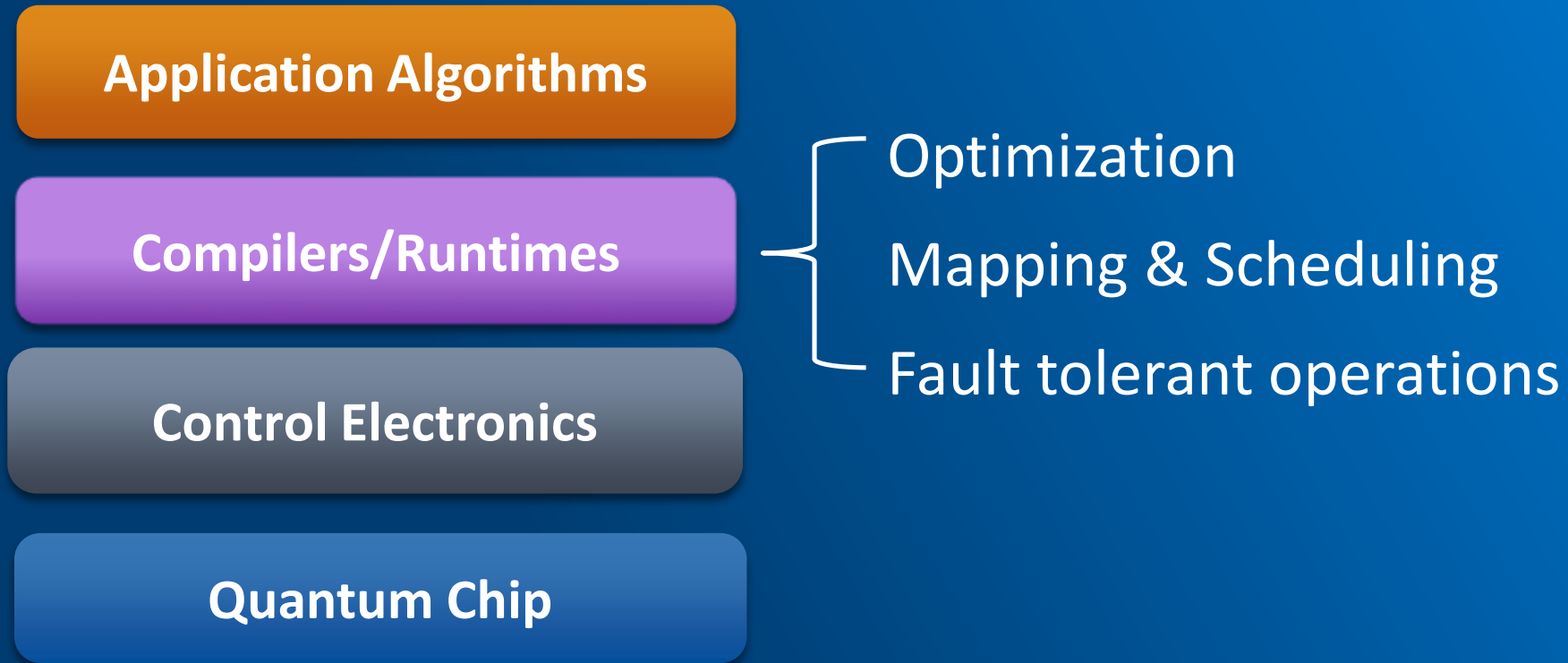
## 49-Qubit Transmon Array

- 49 qubits
- 108 pins

# Solution Cryogenic Control



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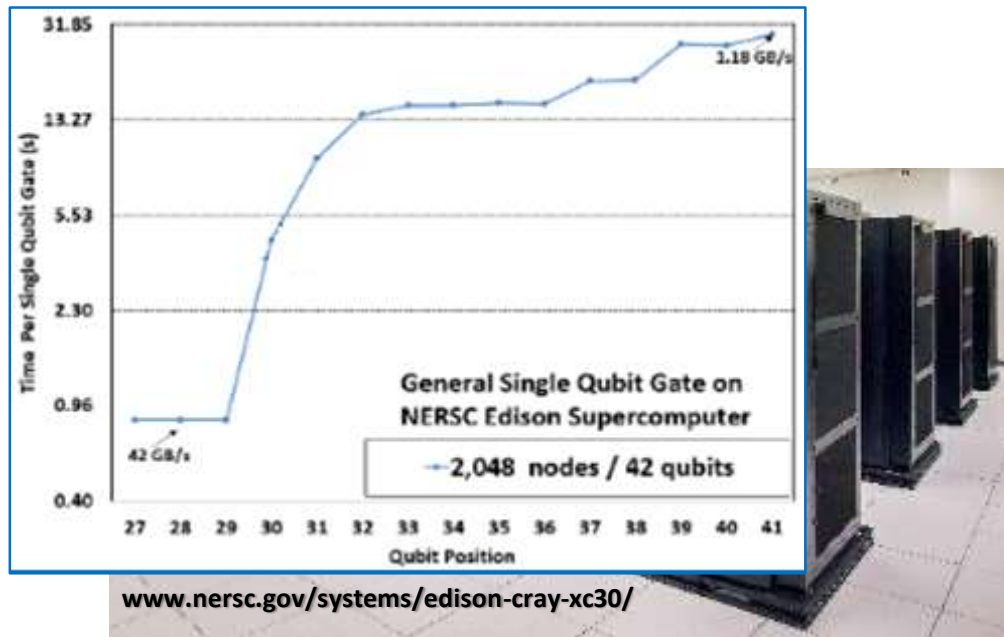


# QuBit Simulation

Universal: single and two-qubit controlled gates

Open Source Release

## High Perf QuBit Simulation

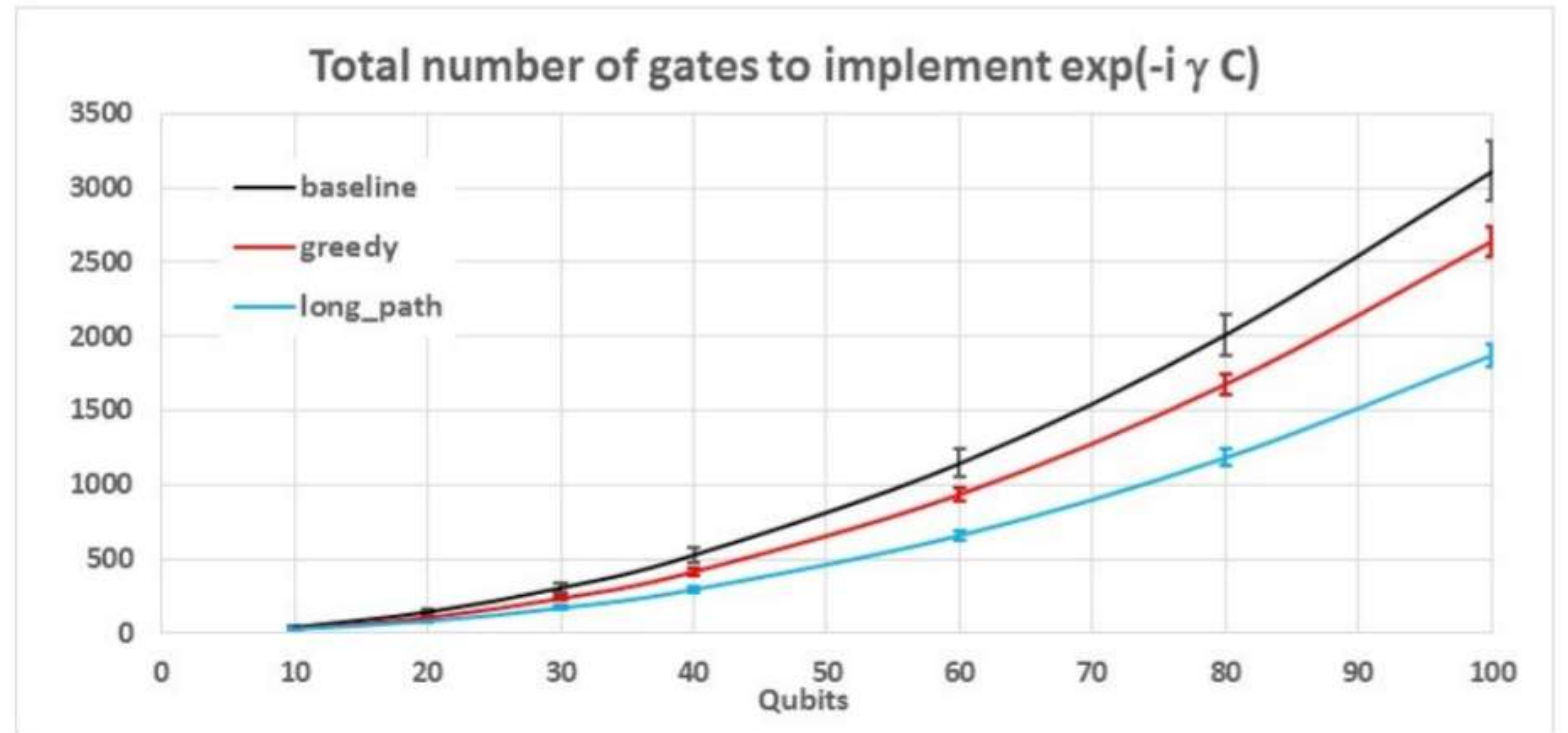


External Collaboration: Alan Aspuru-Guzik (Harvard), Matthias Troyer (ETH Zürich)

# Gate scheduling for quantum algorithms

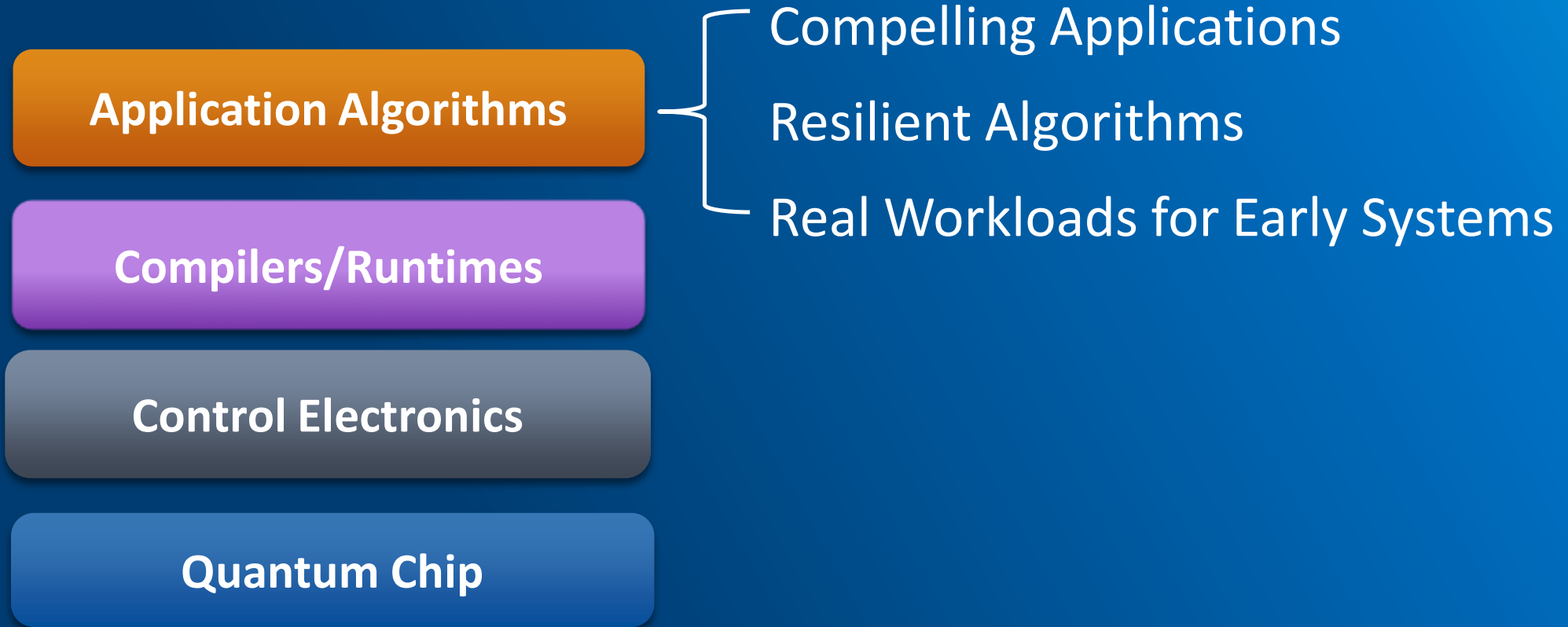
Mapping and scheduling under constraints:

- Logical dependency
- Exclusive activation
- Physical connectivity



Scheduling Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm for hardware with linear connectivity: three strategies of increasing sophistication

# Developing a Quantum Computer System



# Applications Space: HPC



Quantum co-processor: augmenting, not replacing, traditional HPC systems

## ~50+ Qubits: Proof of concept

- Computational power exceeds supercomputers
- Learning test bed for quantum “system”

## ~1000+ Qubits: Small problems

- Limited error correction
- Chemistry, materials design
- Optimization

## ~1M+ Qubits: Commercial scale

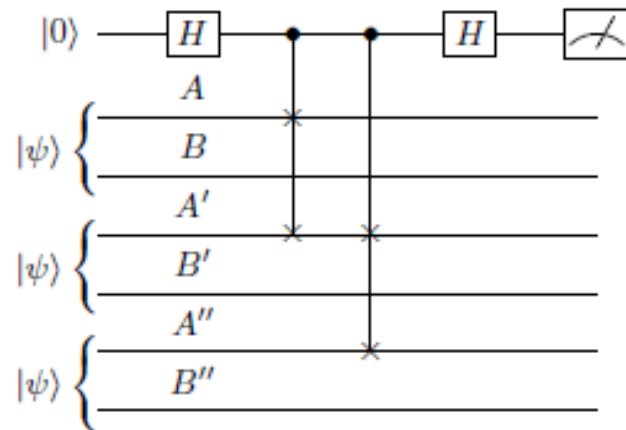
- Fault tolerant operation
- Cryptography
- Machine Learning

# Materials Science

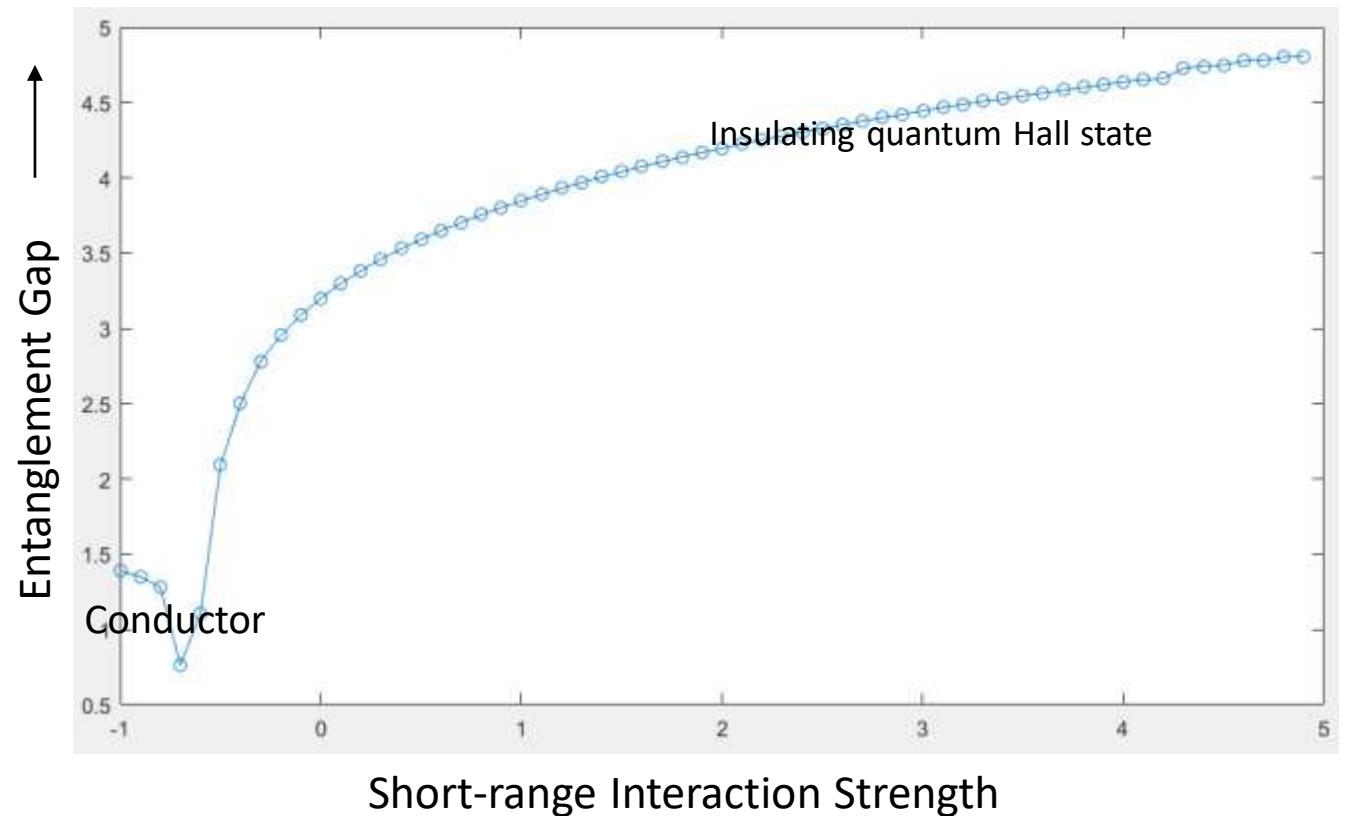
Quantifying entanglement provides a measurement of correlations between electrons which is useful for understanding the electronic properties of the material.

Algorithm to measure entanglement:

$$R_n = \langle \Psi |^{\otimes n} \text{Perm}_A | \Psi \rangle^{\otimes n}$$



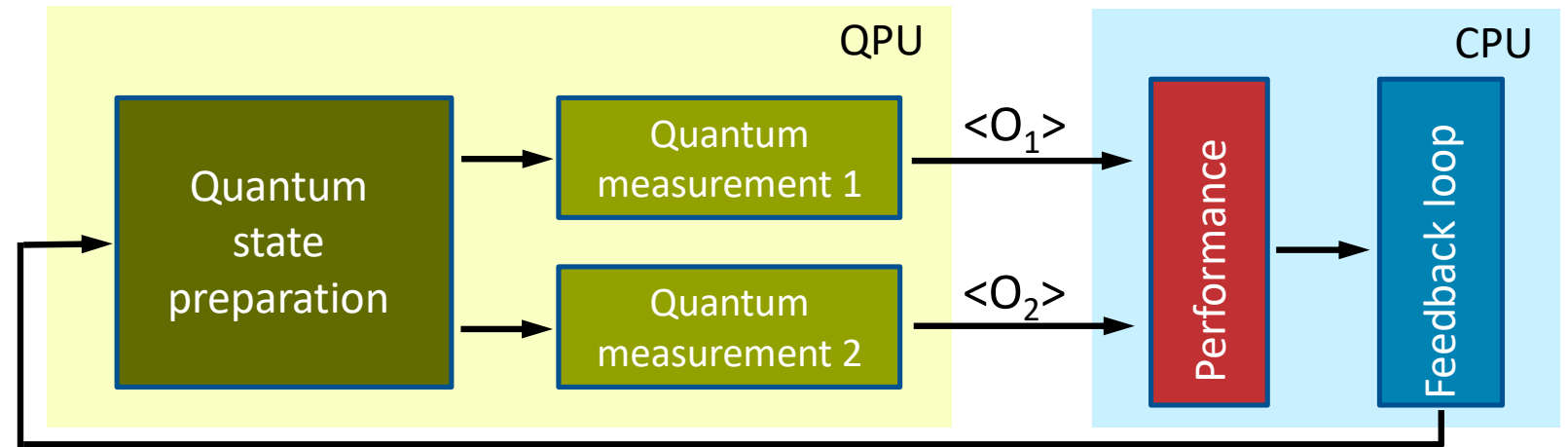
For example, in determining whether simulated material is a metal or an insulator.



Collaboration: Damian Steiger, Matthias Troyer (ETH Zurich), Chris Monroe (U of MD)

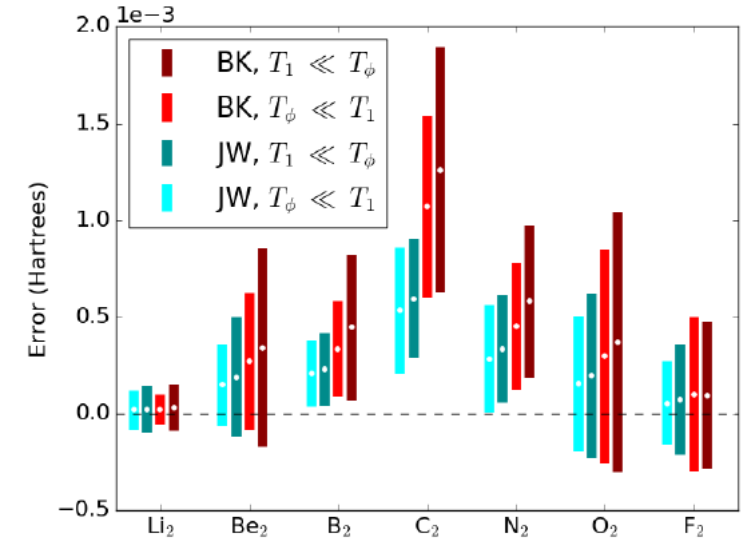
# Resilient Algorithms

Hybrid quantum-classical



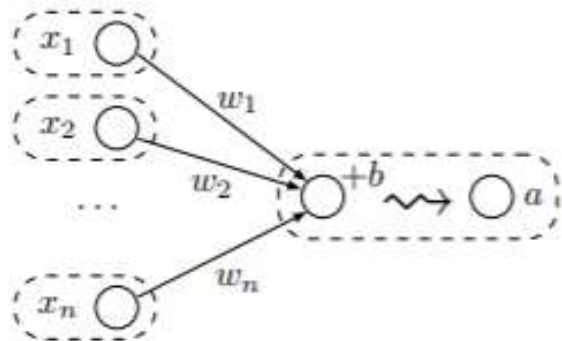
## Quantum Chemistry and Noise study:

- Comparing two variants of the VQE algorithm to approximate lowest energy of molecules
- Surprisingly, version requiring more quantum operations is more resilient to noise

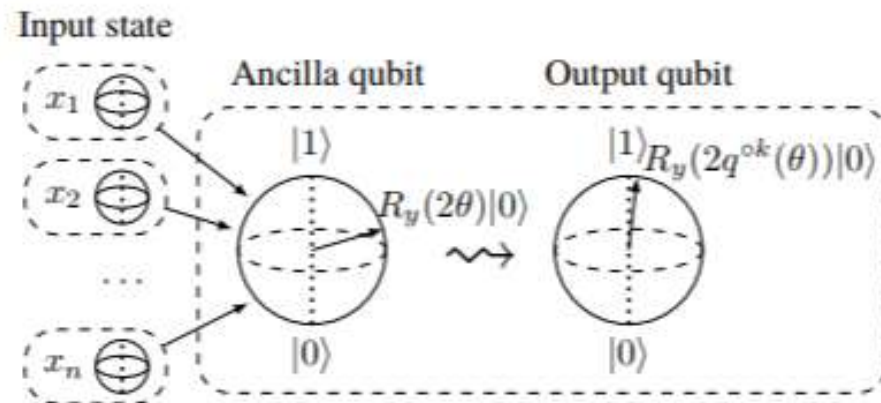


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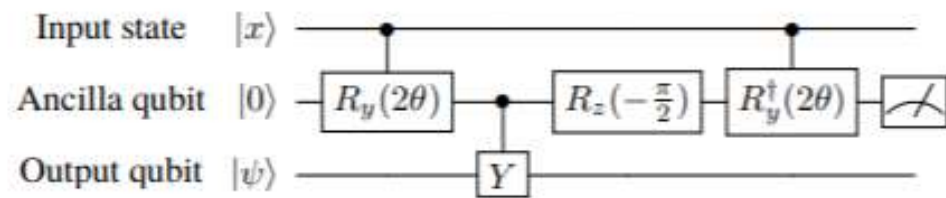
# Machine Learning



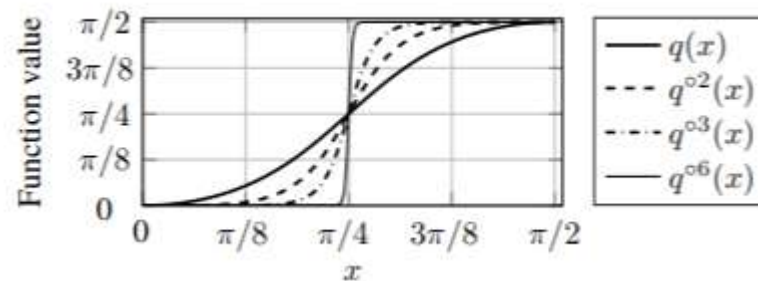
Classical Neuron



Quantum Neuron

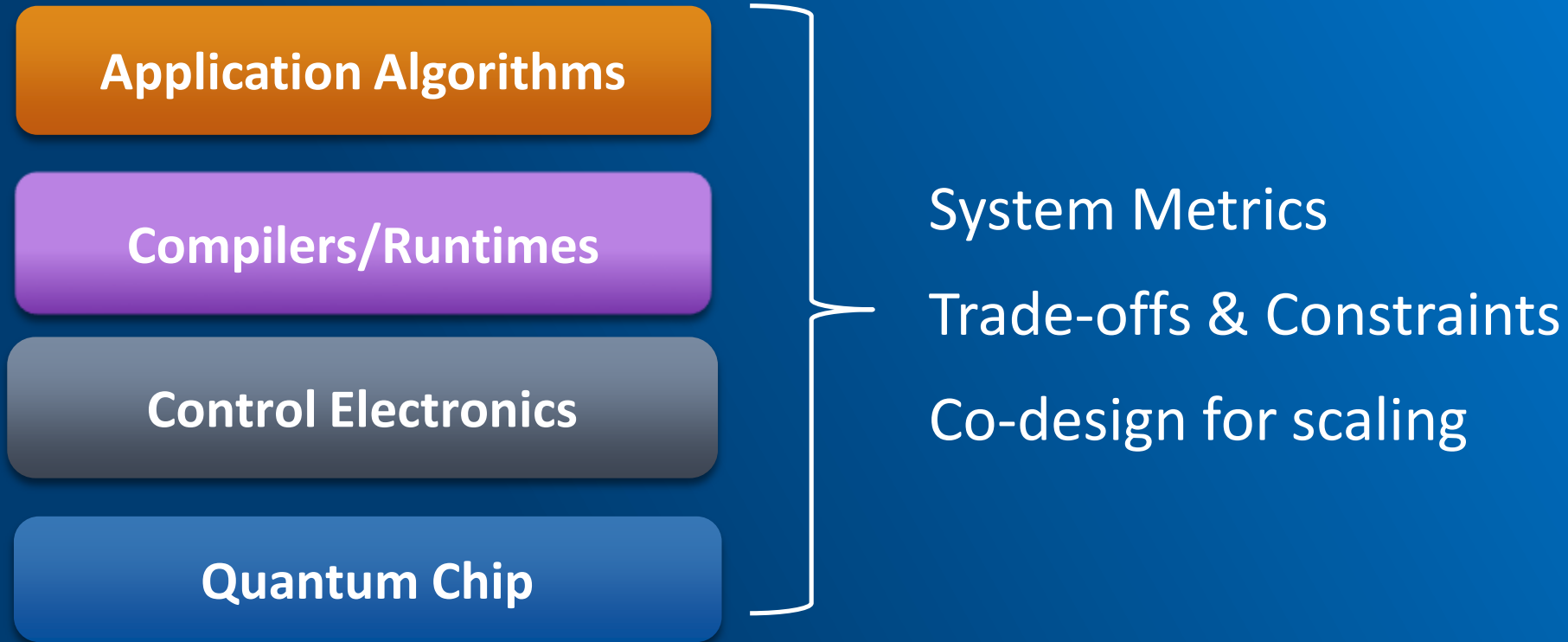


Repeat Until Success circuit



Non-linear Transfer Function

# Developing a Quantum Computer System



# Moving to System Level Metrics

## Device-level metrics

- Physical qubit count
- Decoherence time  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$



## System-level metrics

- Gate operation time
- Fidelity
- Logical qubit count
- Effective parallelization
- Utilization
- ...

HW-SW co-design requires system metrics that impact real application performance

# Conclusions

- The potential of quantum computing is generating tremendous excitement
- We're leveraging Intel's expertise in process and architecture to move faster
- A commercial system is ~10 Years Away

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