
Introduction to Quantum Computing: Qubits, Gates, and Algorithms

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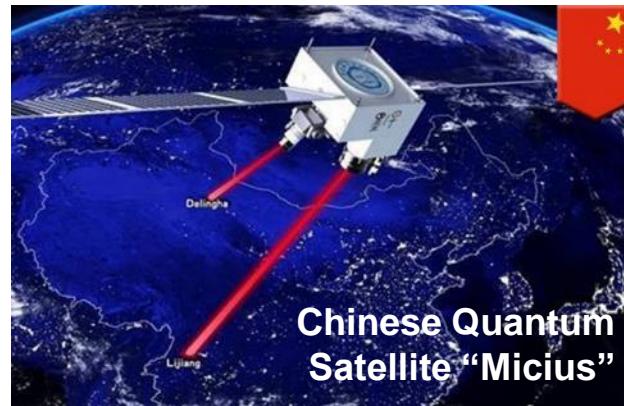
Quantum Information Science and Technology

Quantum Sensing



Improves sensitivity, drift, & spatial resolution

Quantum Networks



Enables distributed quantum states

Quantum Computing

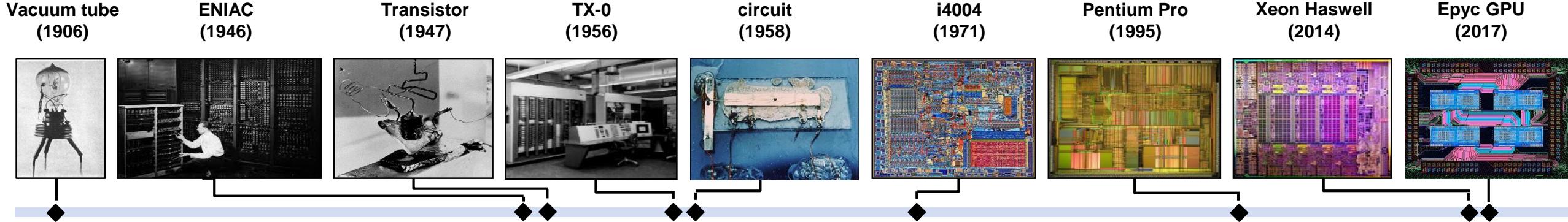


Solves select problems that are intractable with classical computing

Quantum Information Science utilizes a quantum mechanical description of nature to compute, sense, and communicate information in ways unobtainable by means based on a classical description of nature

Computing Development Timeline

Classical Computing (Electronic)

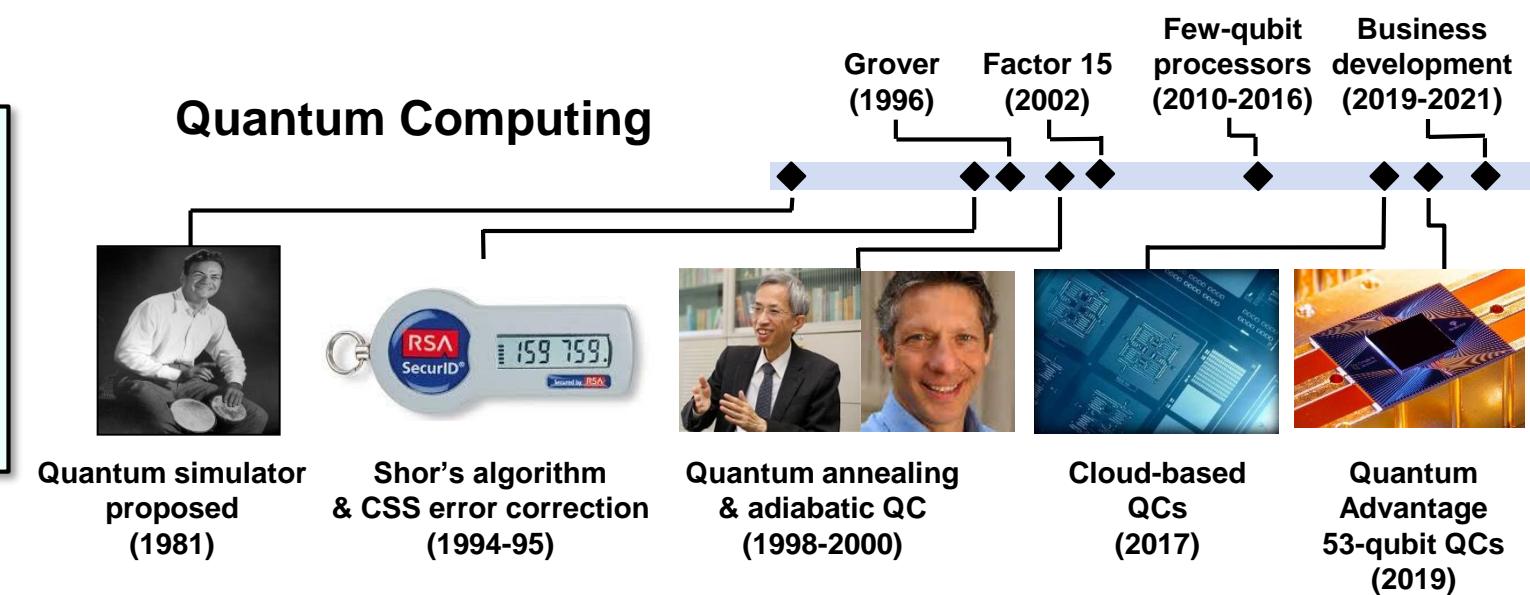


Quantum computing is transitioning from scientific curiosity to technical reality.

Advancing from discovery to useful machines takes time & engineering

You must be in the game to play

Quantum Computing



Quantum Worldwide (not exhaustive)

D-Wave
The Quantum Computing Company™

1QBit

Microsoft

intel

Google

KEYSIGHT TECHNOLOGIES

rigetti

Booz | Allen | Hamilton

Raytheon
BBN Technologies

NORTHROP GRUMMAN

LOCKHEED MARTIN

Honeywell

HRL
LABORATORIES

ZAPATA

Canada

- Inst. for Quantum Computing (2002)
- Inst. Quantique (2015)

IBM

(q|b) quantum benchmark

NOKIA Bell Labs

q|c|i

Labber QUANTUM

IONQ

United States

- Joint Quantum Institute (2007)
- Joint Center for Quantum Info & Computer Science (2014)
- National Quantum Initiative (2019)

AOSense

Twinleaf

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Quantum

ColdQuanta

HARRIS

IDQ
FROM VISION TO TECHNOLOGY

Singapore

- Research Center on Quantum Information Science and Technology (2007)

hp

BT

ATOM COMPUTING

bleximo

AIRBUS

AQT

(InfiniQuant)

kpn

QUANDELA

Q-CTRL

rahko
quantum machine learning

Tencent 腾讯

QUIX

accenture

AT&T

Atos

ZEISS

PASQAL

Ψ

QCWARE

X QUANTUMXCHANGE

Quintessence Labs
Data Uncompromised

NV centers

Europe

- Netherlands: QuTech (2014)
- United Kingdom: National Quantum Technologies Program (2014)
- EU: Quantum Flagship (2016)
- Sweden: Wallenberg Center for Quantum Technology (2017)
- Germany: Fraunhofer – IBM alliance (2019)

elementsix
a De Beers Group Company

IDQ

X Zurich Instruments

BlueFors
CRYOGENICS

HITACHI

FUJITSU

NEC

Mitsubishi

Baidu

Alibaba.com

Tencent 腾讯

QUIX

Australia

- ARC Centers of Excellence
 - Center for Quantum Computing Technology (2000)
 - Engineered Quantum Systems (2011)
- CommBank – Telstra – UNSW (2015)

China

- Key Lab, Quantum Information, CAS (2001)
- Satellite quantum communication (2016)
- Alibaba – CAS cloud computer (2018)

STRANGWORKS

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● Superconducting qubits

● Ion trap qubits

● Semiconducting qubits

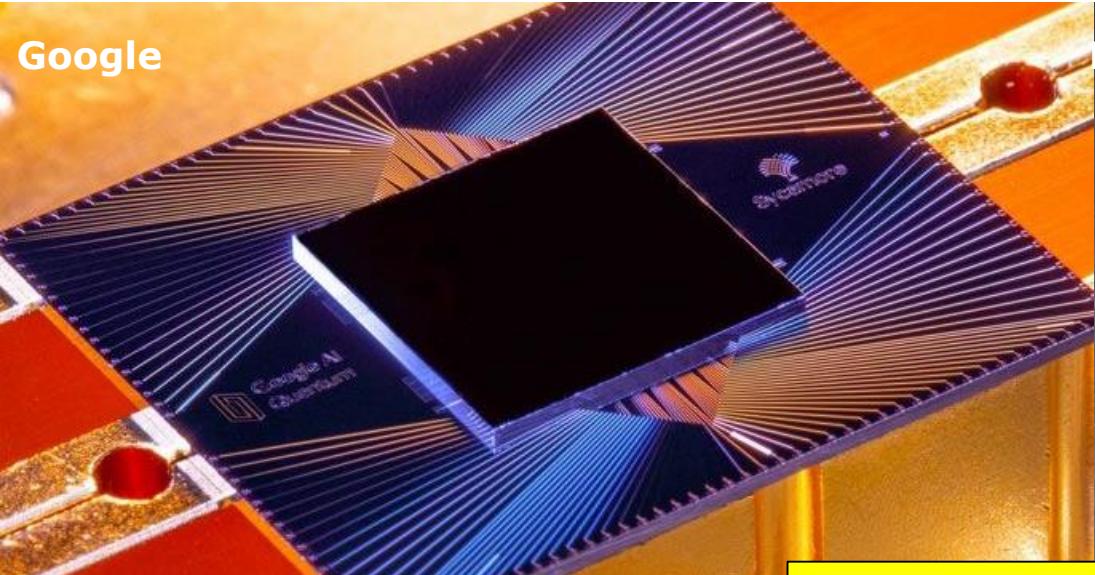
● Quantum optics

● NV centers

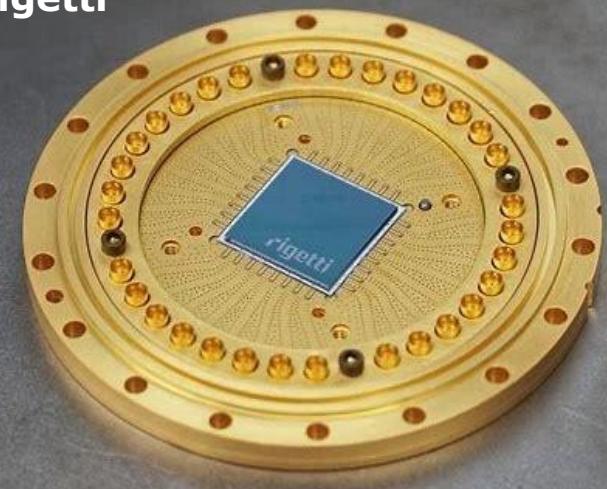
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Nascent Commercial Quantum Processors

Google



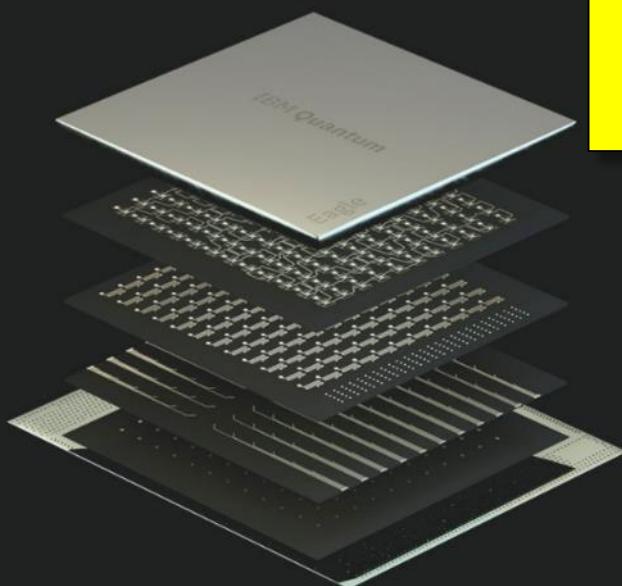
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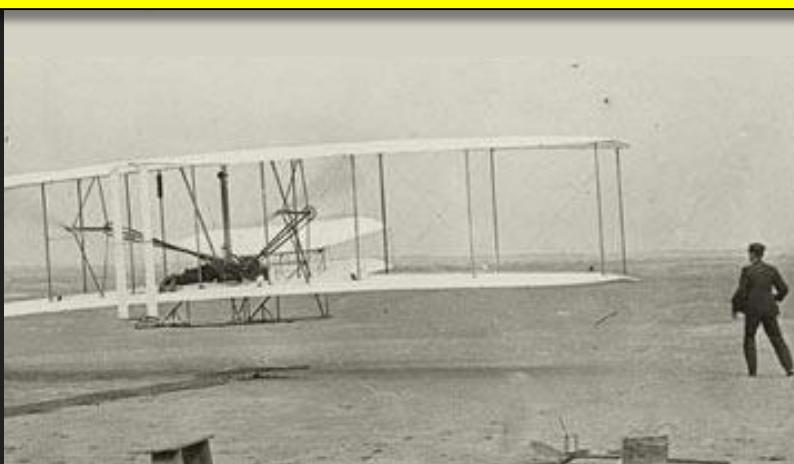
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IBM



To realize the promise of QC, we must engineer quantum systems that are robust, reproducible, and extensible.



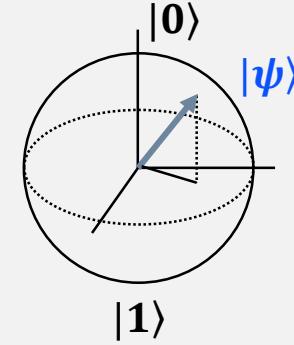
Outline

- Introduction
- Classical and Quantum Bits
- Quantum Gates and Algorithms
- Engineering Quantum Systems

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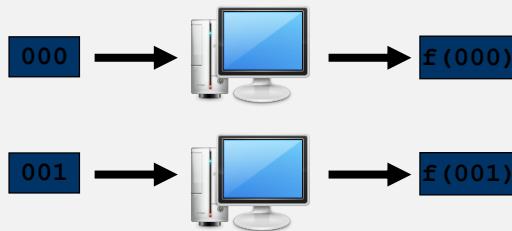
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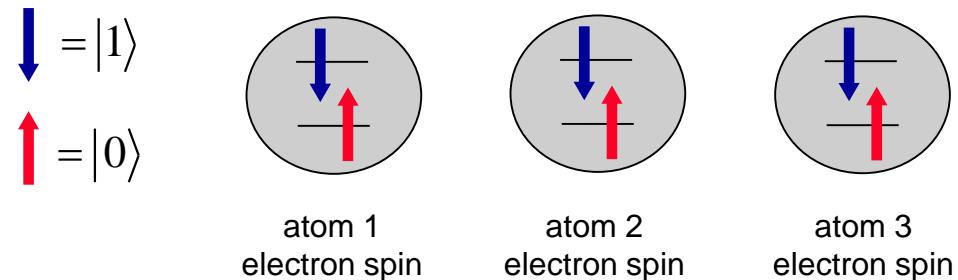
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Classical and Quantum Bits

Three spins



eight (2^N) classical states

→
(classical parallelism)

single quantum state

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle &= c_1|\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle + c_2|\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + c_3|\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + c_4|\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + c_5|\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle + c_6|\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + c_7|\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + c_8|\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \\ &= c_1|000\rangle + c_2|001\rangle + c_3|010\rangle + c_4|011\rangle + c_5|100\rangle + c_6|101\rangle + c_7|110\rangle + c_8|111\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Quantum superposition state: eight complex numbers

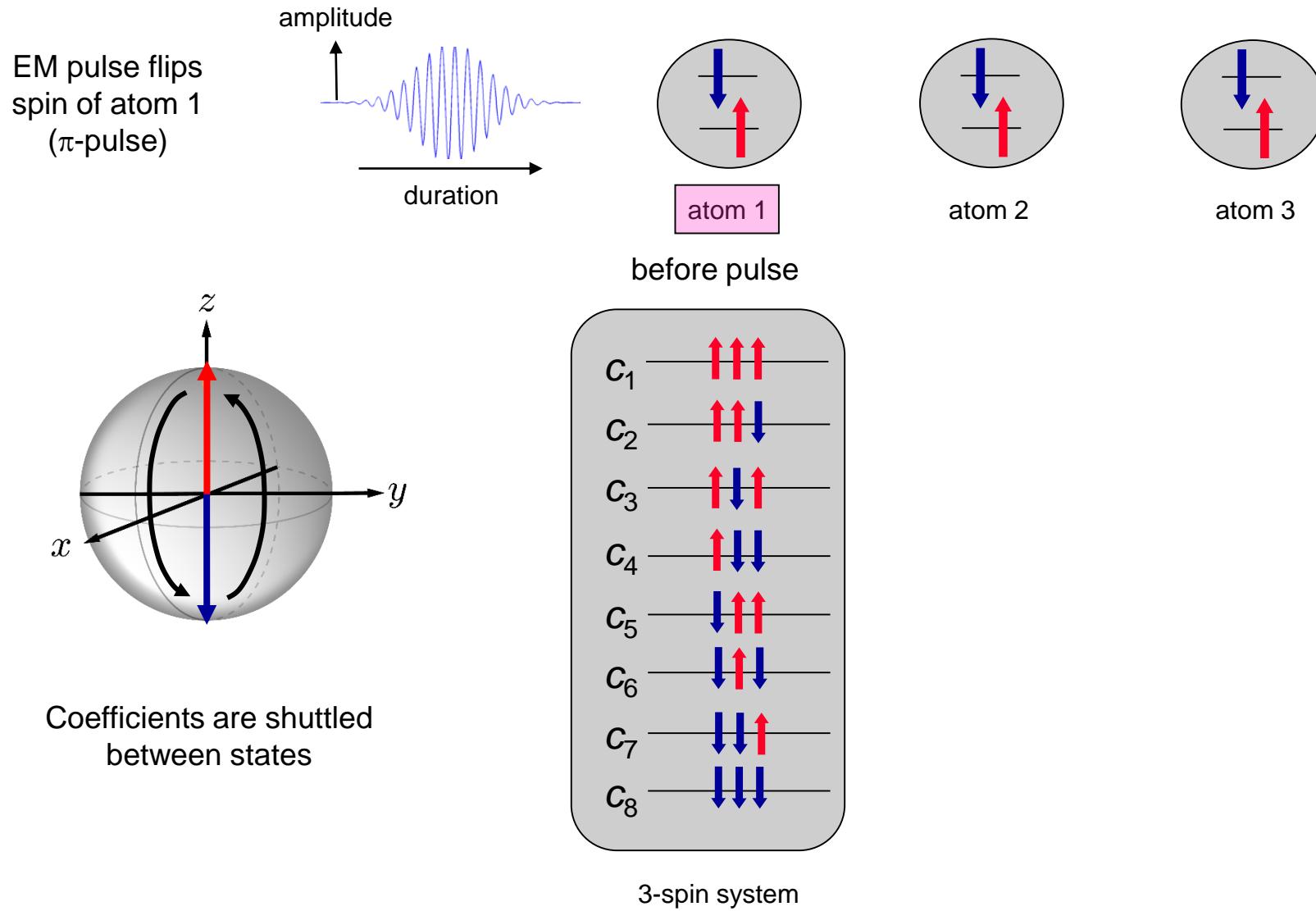
$$2^N \rightarrow 2^3 = 8 \rightarrow \{c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, c_5, c_6, c_7, c_8\}$$

State Register

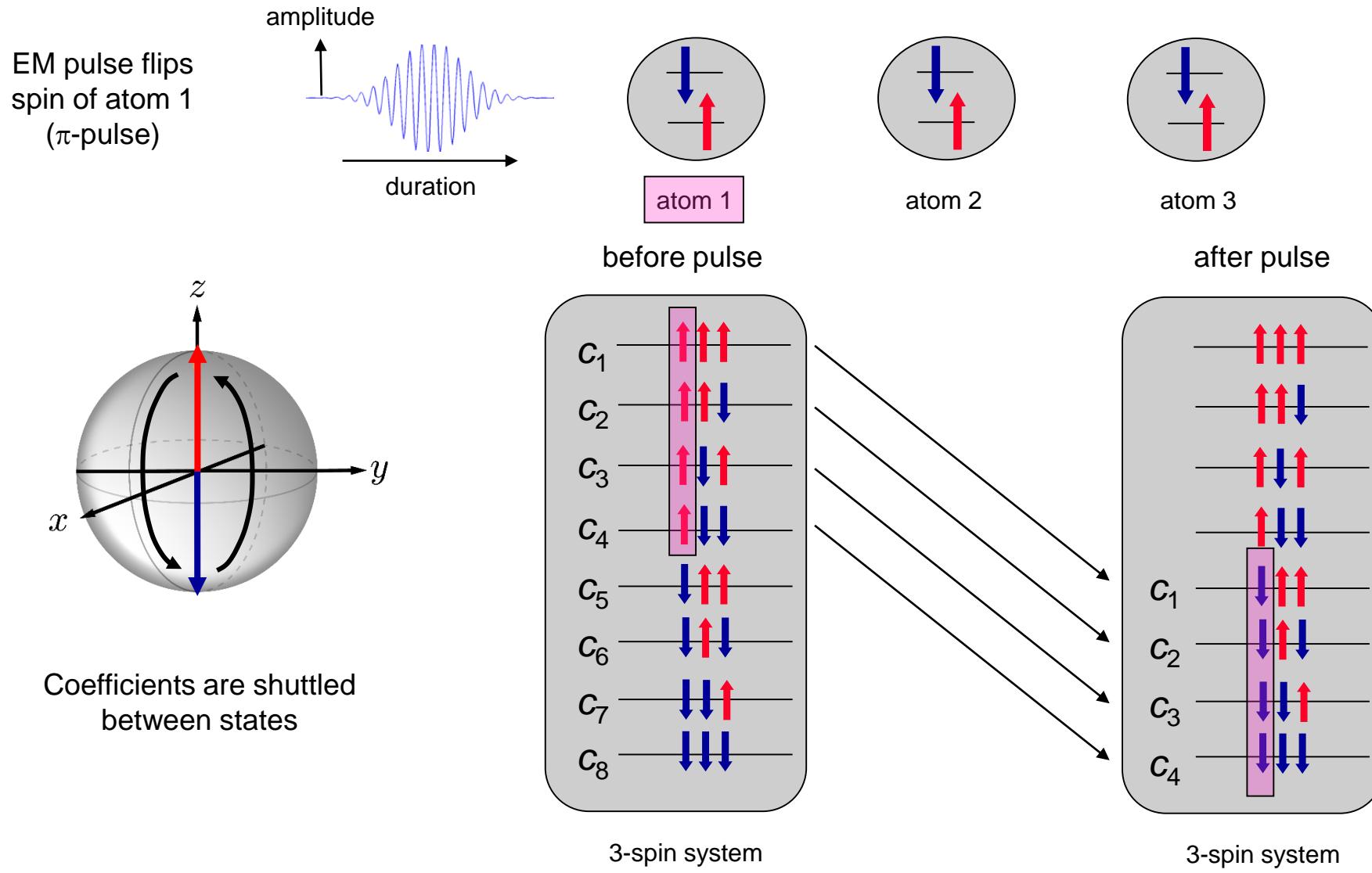
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Quantum superposition & gates:
Quantum parallelism
Quantum interference

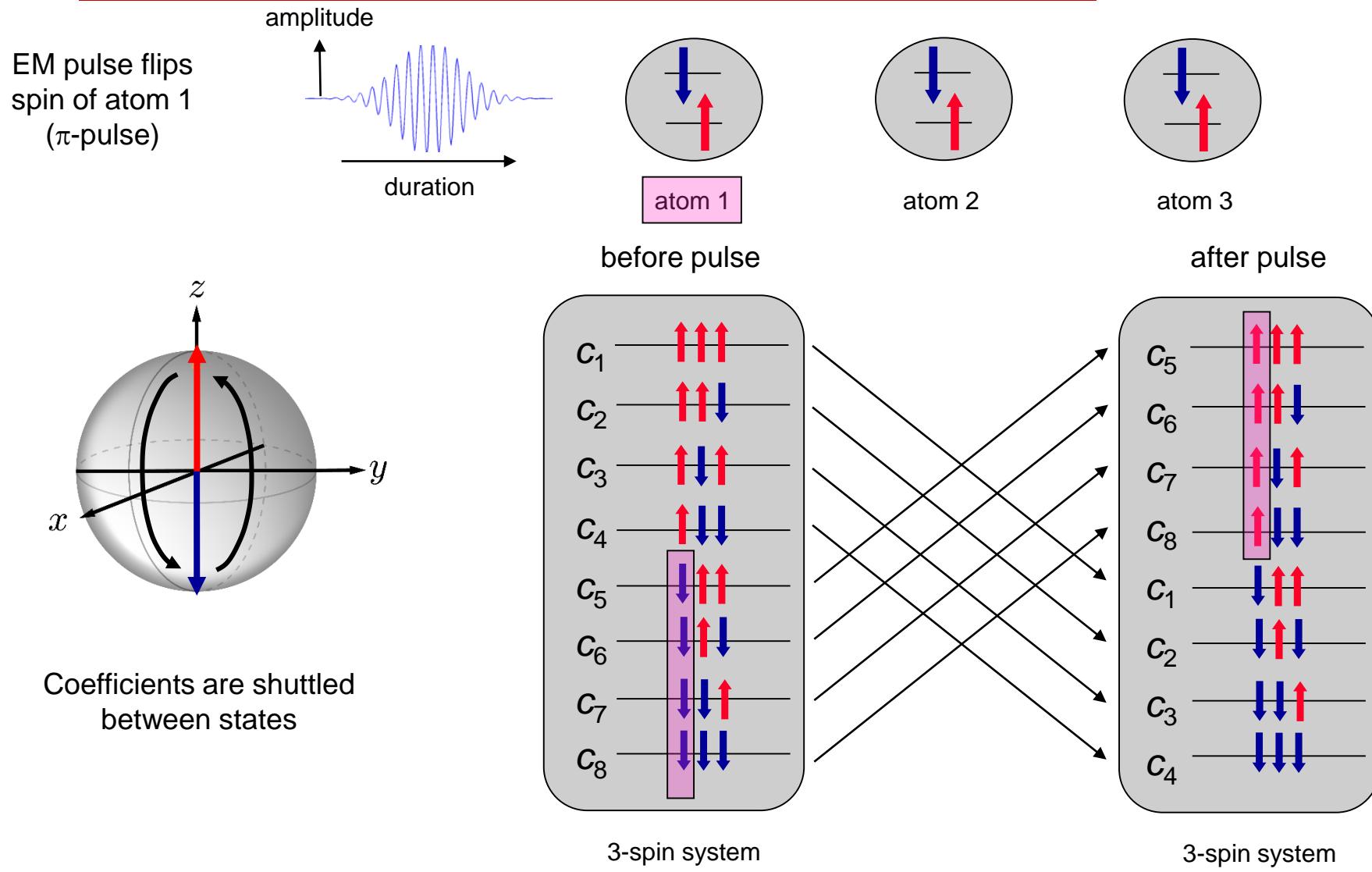
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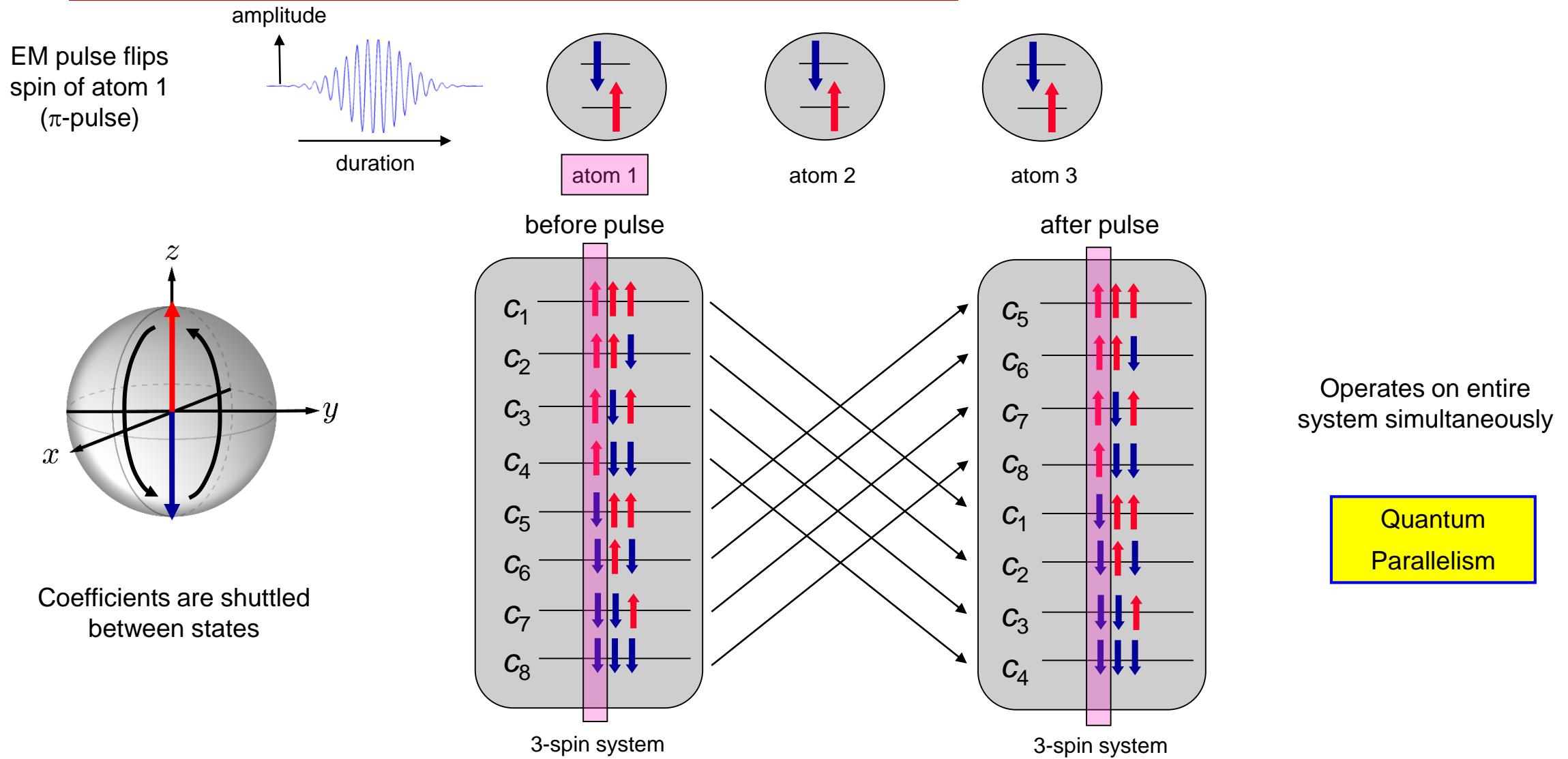
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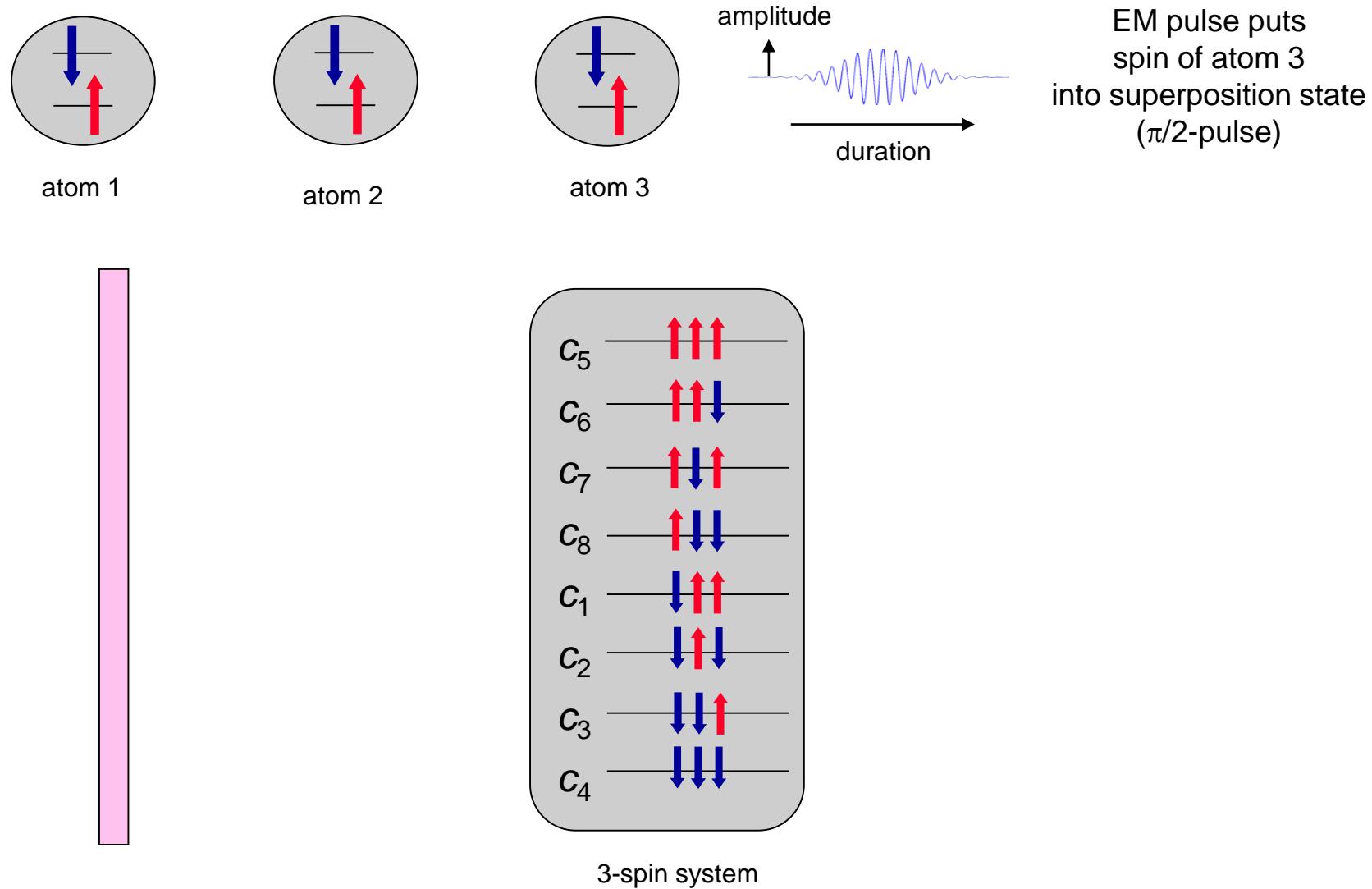
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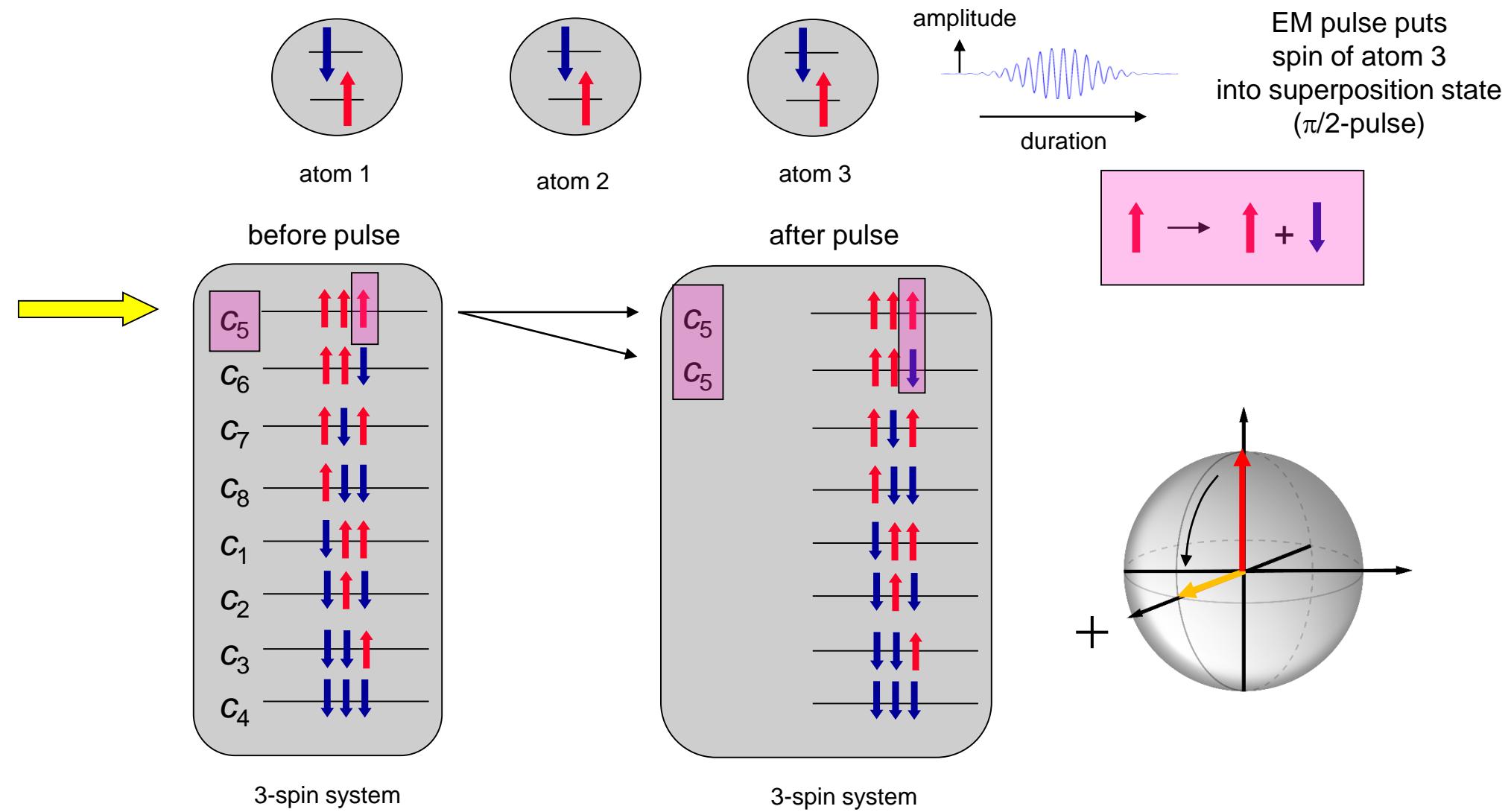
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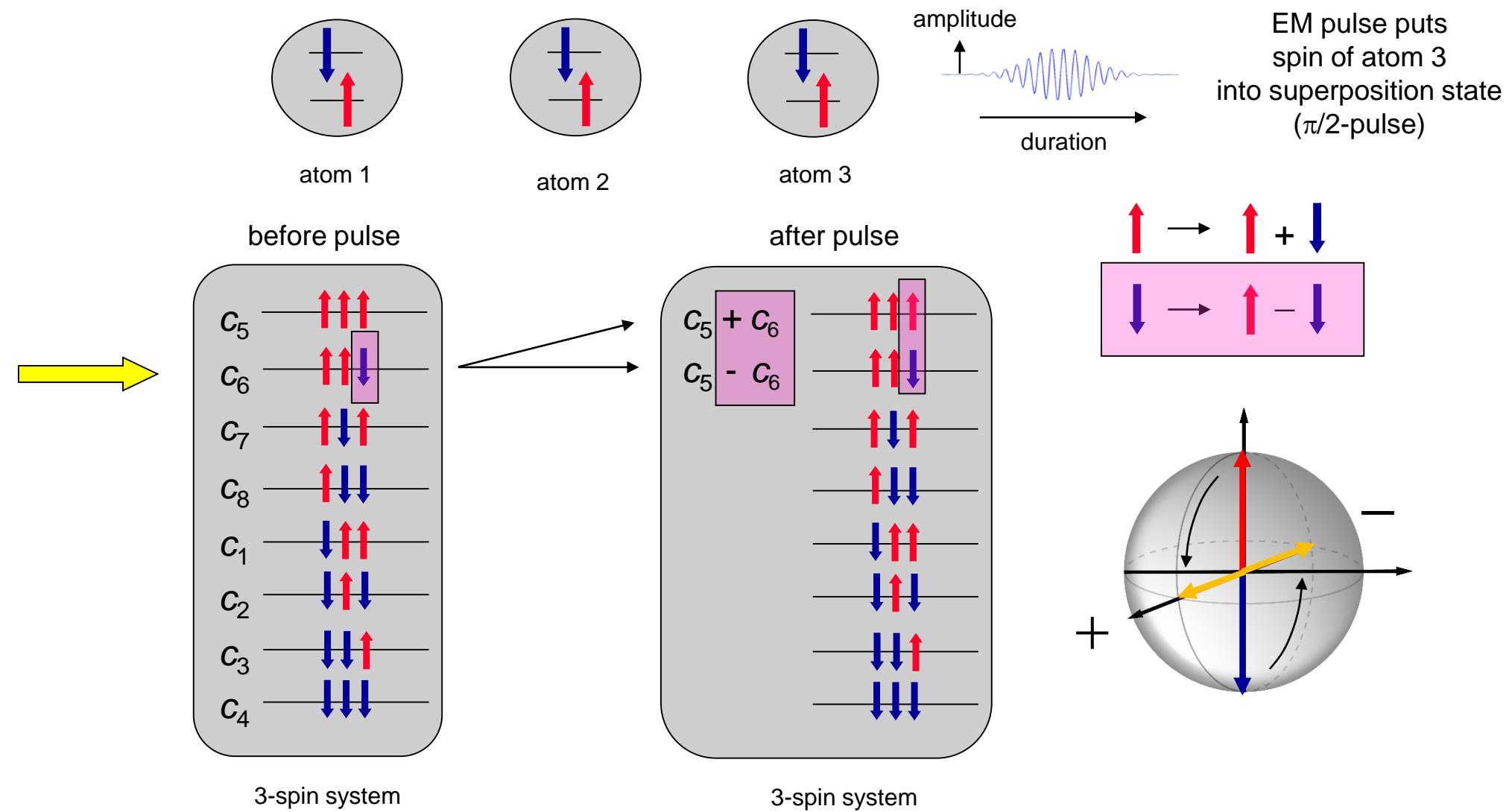
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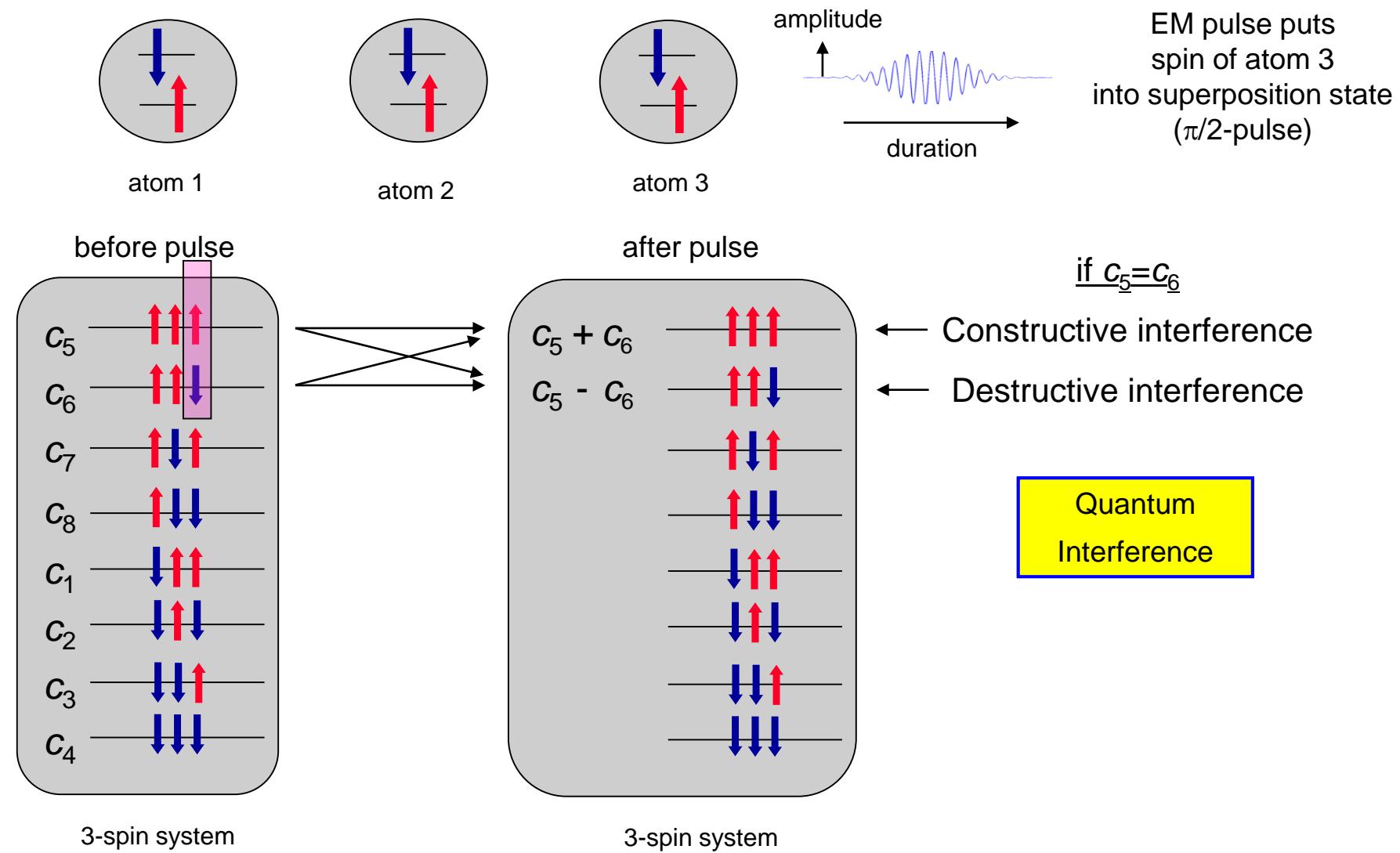
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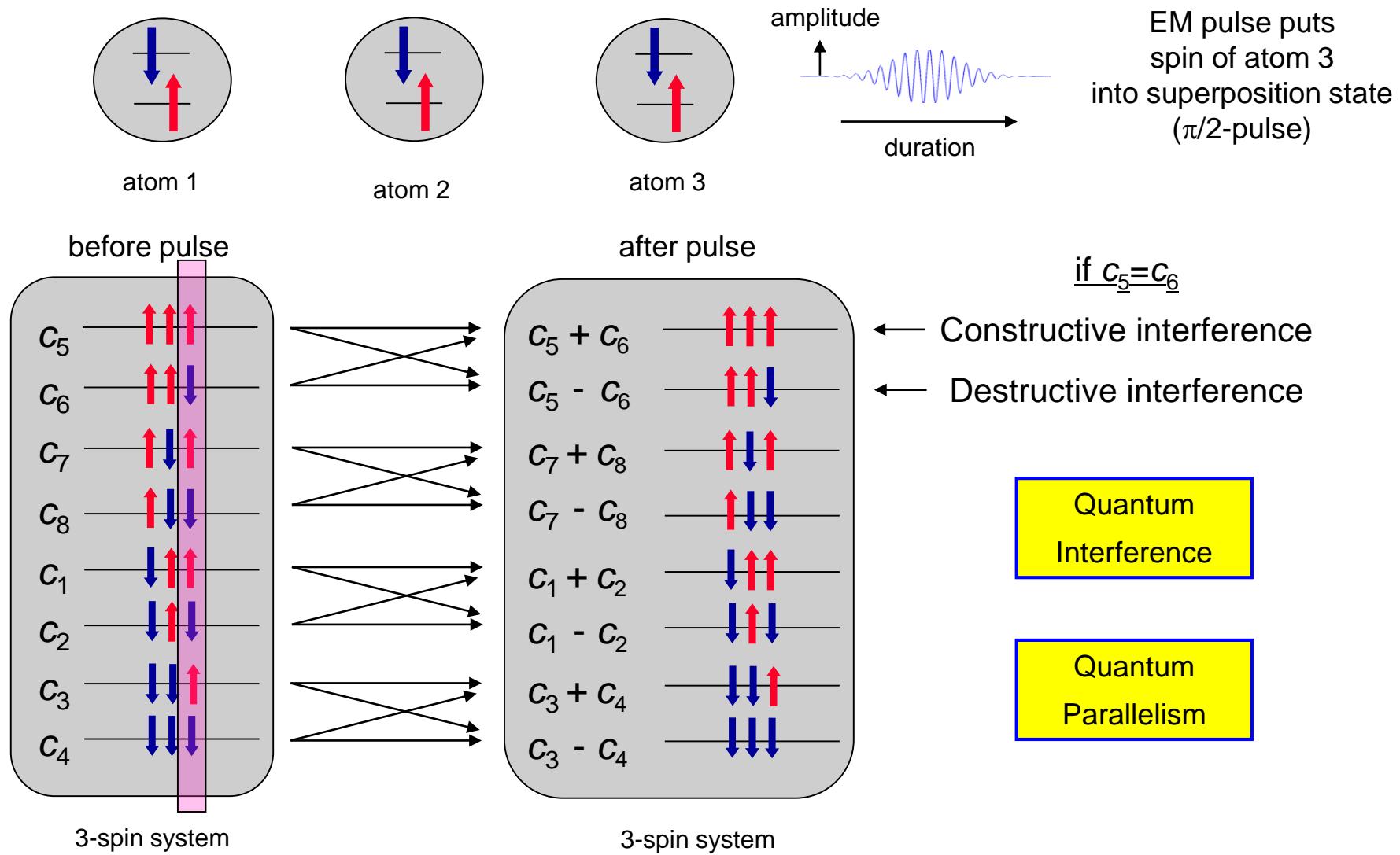
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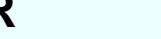


Quantum Interference



Classical Gates

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- E.g., NOT, AND
- E.g., NOR
- And many more (not unique)
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Single-Qubit Quantum Gates

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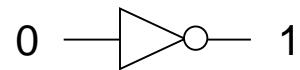
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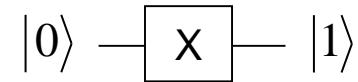
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Single-Qubit Gate Example

Classical NOT-gate

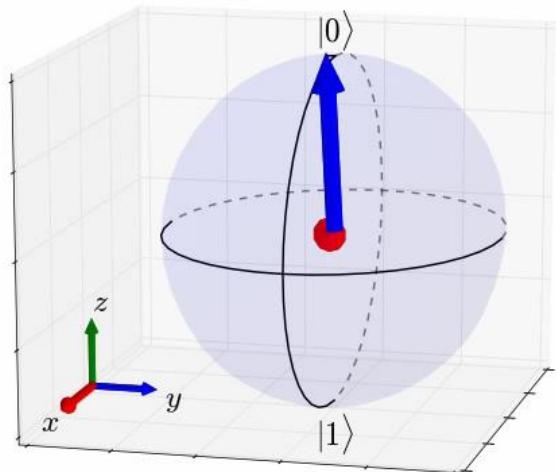


Quantum NOT-gate example: X-gate

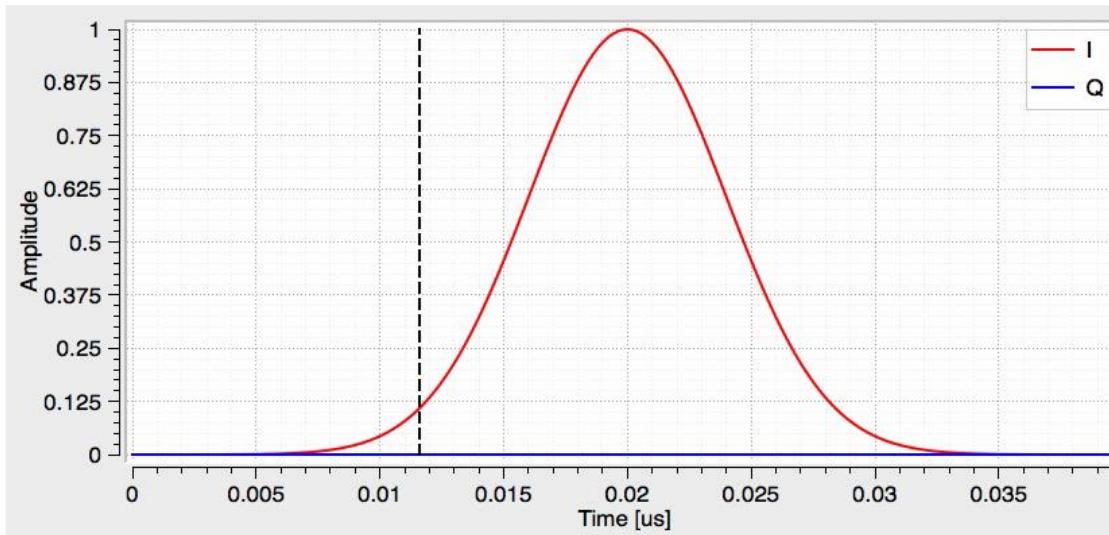


X-gate: π -pulse around x-axis

Bloch Sphere



Driving Field (envelope only)

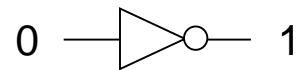


X-gate applied to qubit along +Z:

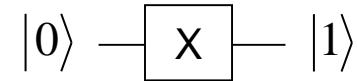
$|0\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle$

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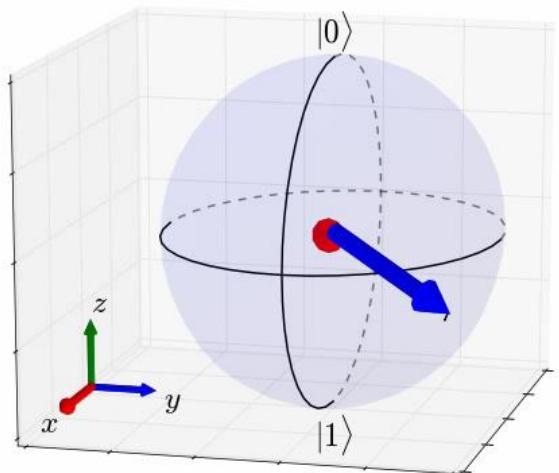


Quantum NOT-gate: X-gate

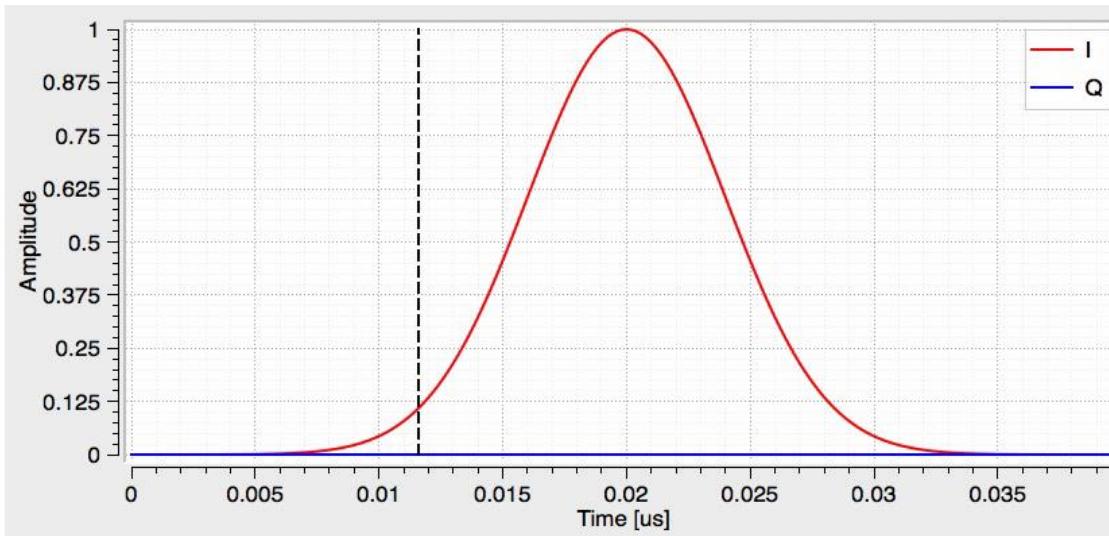


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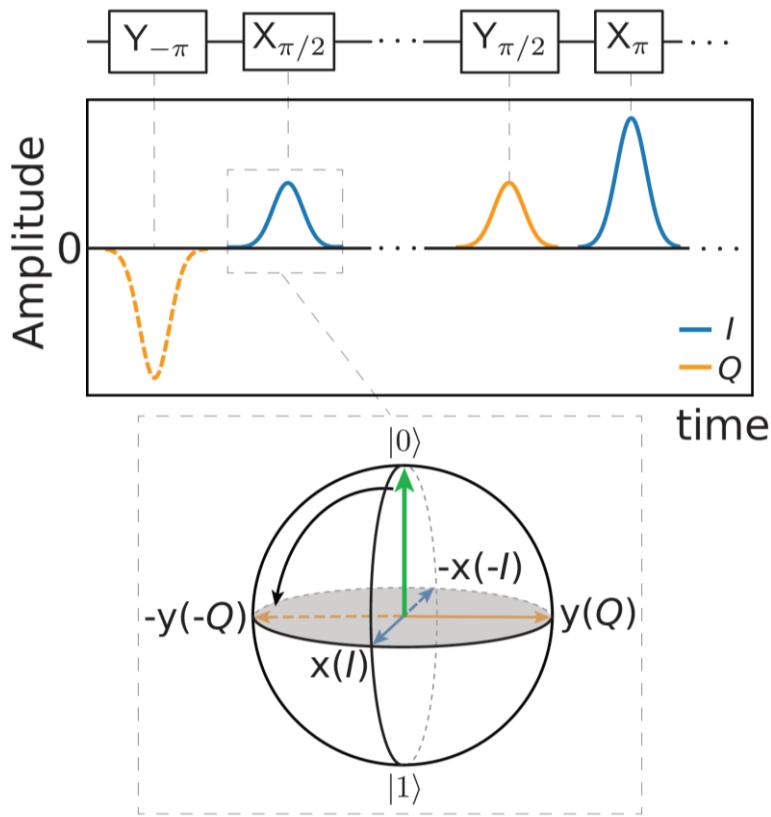
Driving Field (envelope only)



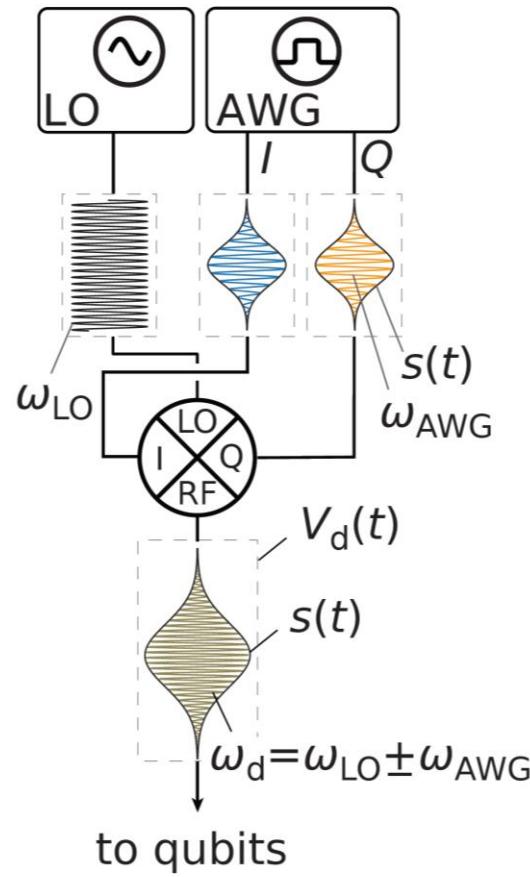
X-gate applied to arbitrary qubit state: $\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \rightarrow \beta|0\rangle + \alpha|1\rangle$

Microwave Pulse Control

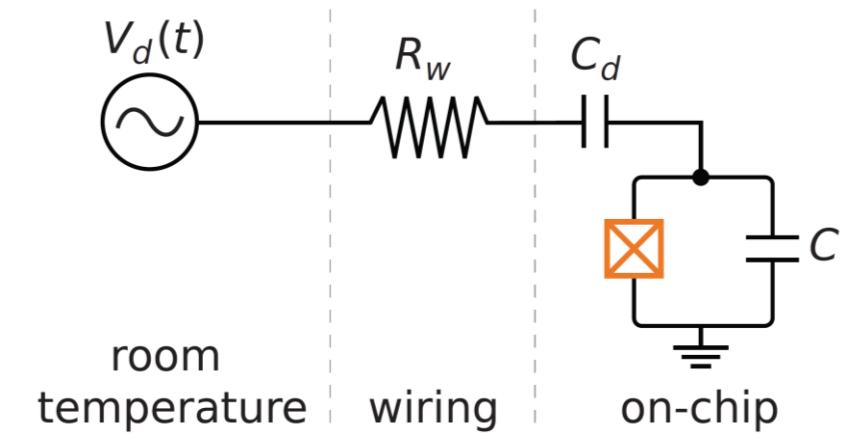
Gate Sequence



I-Q Mixing



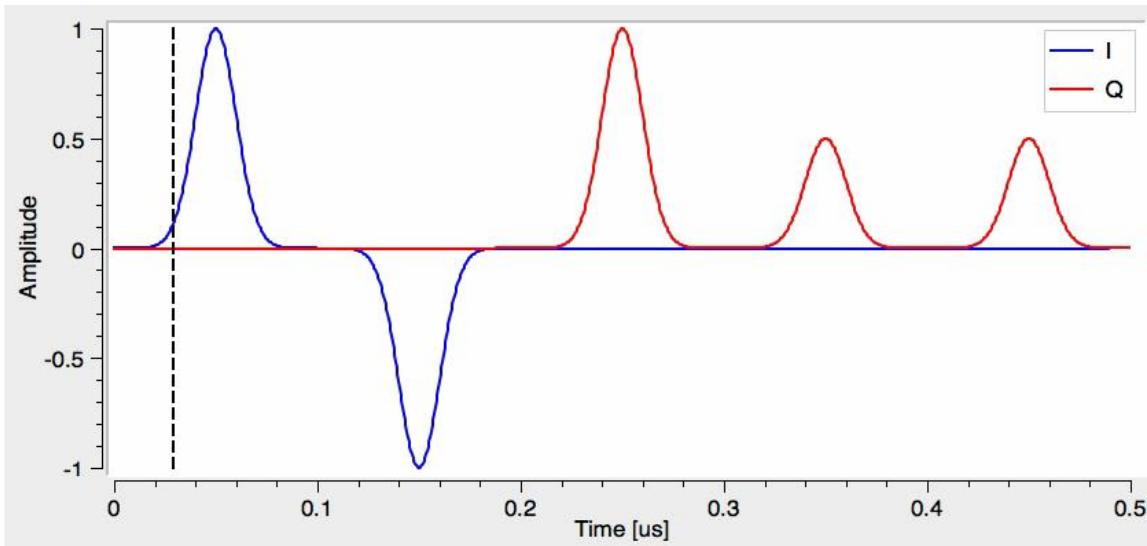
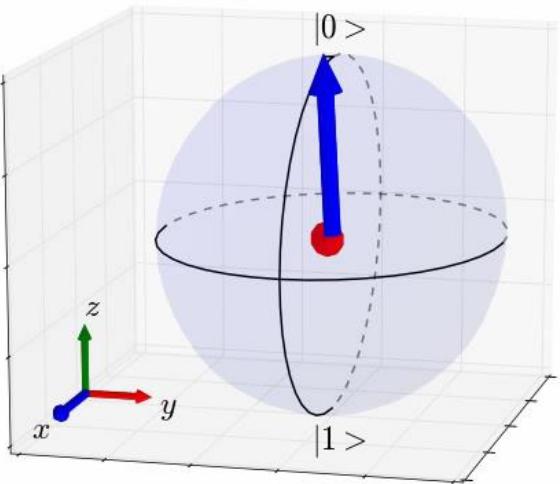
Application



Control applied via capacitive or inductive coupling of a microwave pulse to the qubit

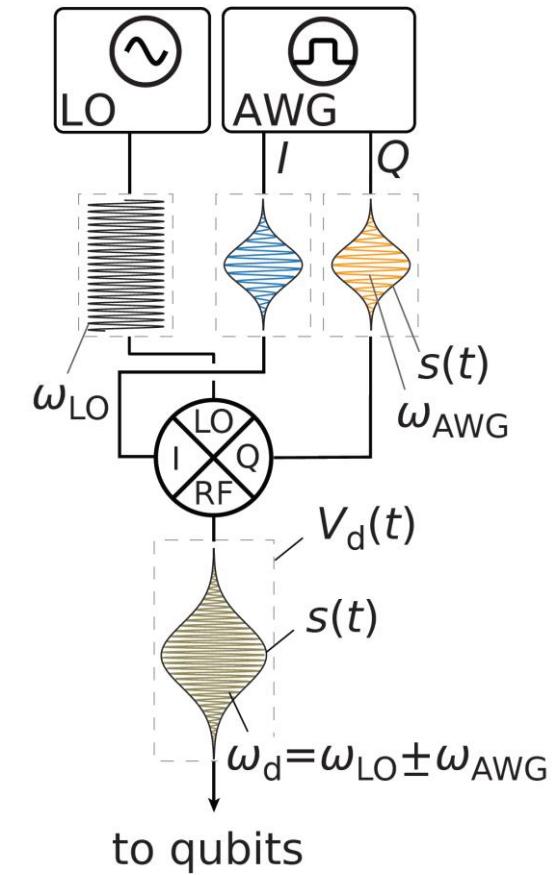
Microwave Pulse Control

X and Y Rotations on the Bloch Sphere



I: in-phase (0°) \rightarrow x
axis
Q: quadrature (90°) \rightarrow y axis

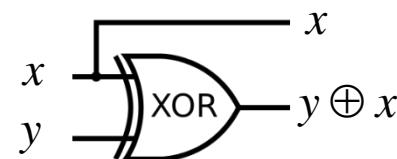
I-Q Mixing



to qubits

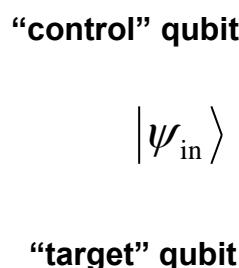
Two-Qubit Gate Example

“control” bit
“target” bit



Classical XOR-gate

input		output	
x	y	x	$y \oplus x$
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0



Quantum CNOT-gate

input		output	
$ x\rangle_x$	$ y\rangle_y$	$ x\rangle_x$	$ y \oplus x\rangle_y$
$ 0\rangle_x$	$ 0\rangle_y$	$ 0\rangle_x$	$ 0\rangle_y$
$ 0\rangle_x$	$ 1\rangle_y$	$ 0\rangle_x$	$ 1\rangle_y$
$ 1\rangle_x$	$ 0\rangle_y$	$ 1\rangle_x$	$ 1\rangle_y$
$ 1\rangle_x$	$ 1\rangle_y$	$ 1\rangle_x$	$ 0\rangle_y$

Rotation of qubit-y depends on the state of qubit-x

For example:

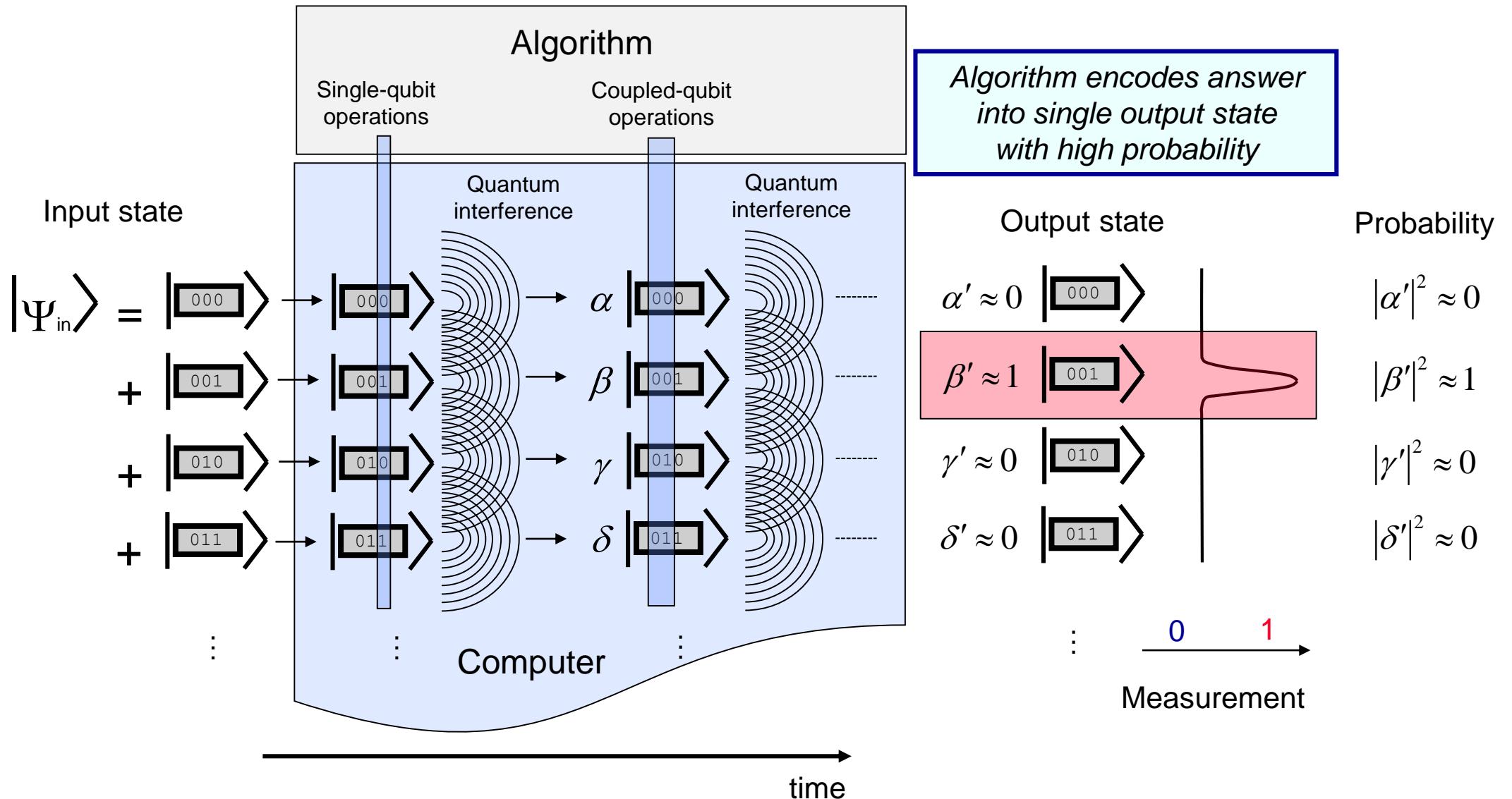
$$|\psi_{\text{in}}\rangle \propto (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)_x |0\rangle_y$$

$$|\psi_{\text{out}}\rangle \propto |0\rangle_x |0\rangle_y + |1\rangle_x |1\rangle_y \neq (\dots)_x (\dots)_y$$

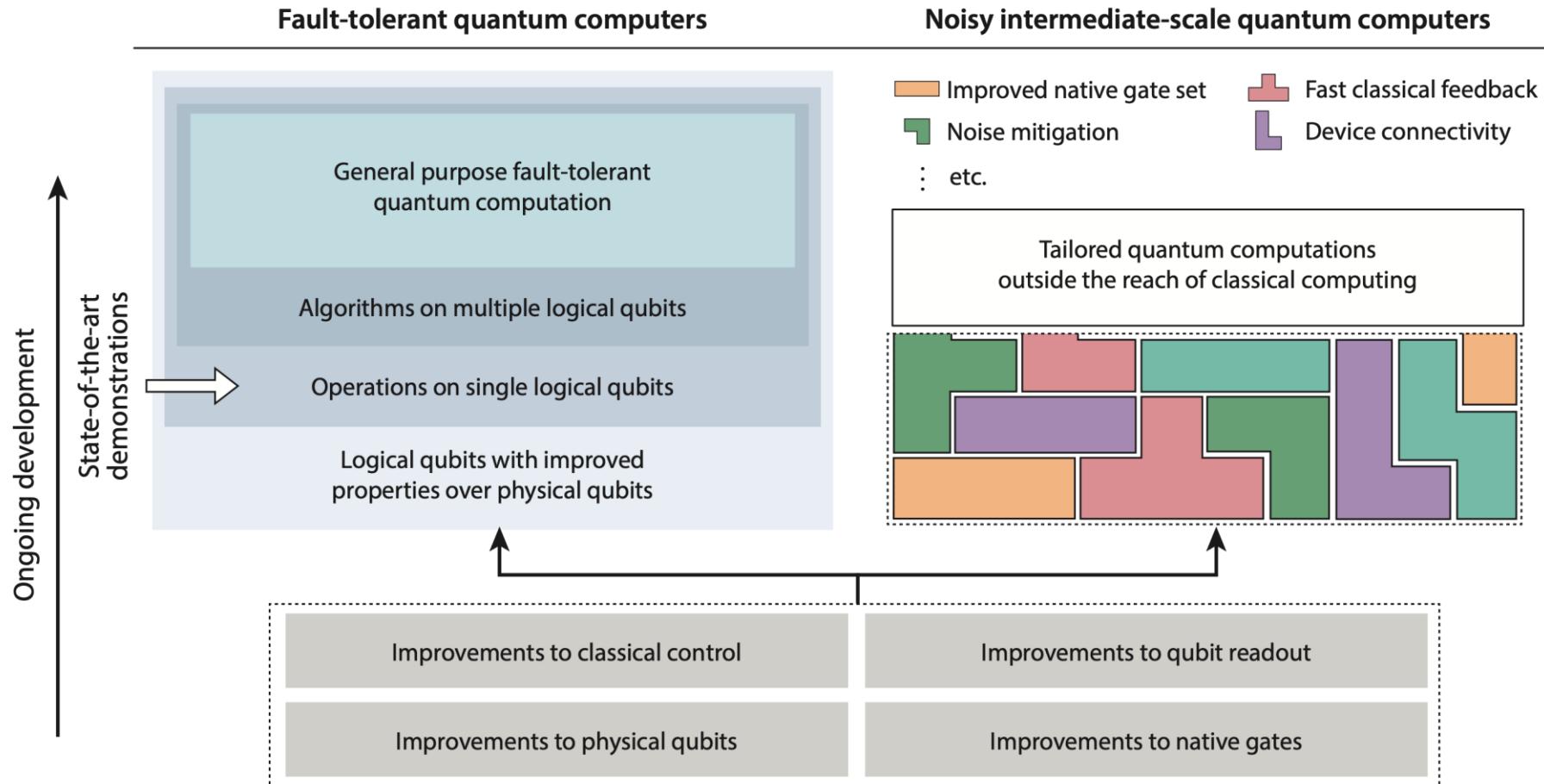
Results in an *entangled state*
(cannot be factored)

Universal gate-model quantum computation is achievable
with a small set of single and two-qubit gates.

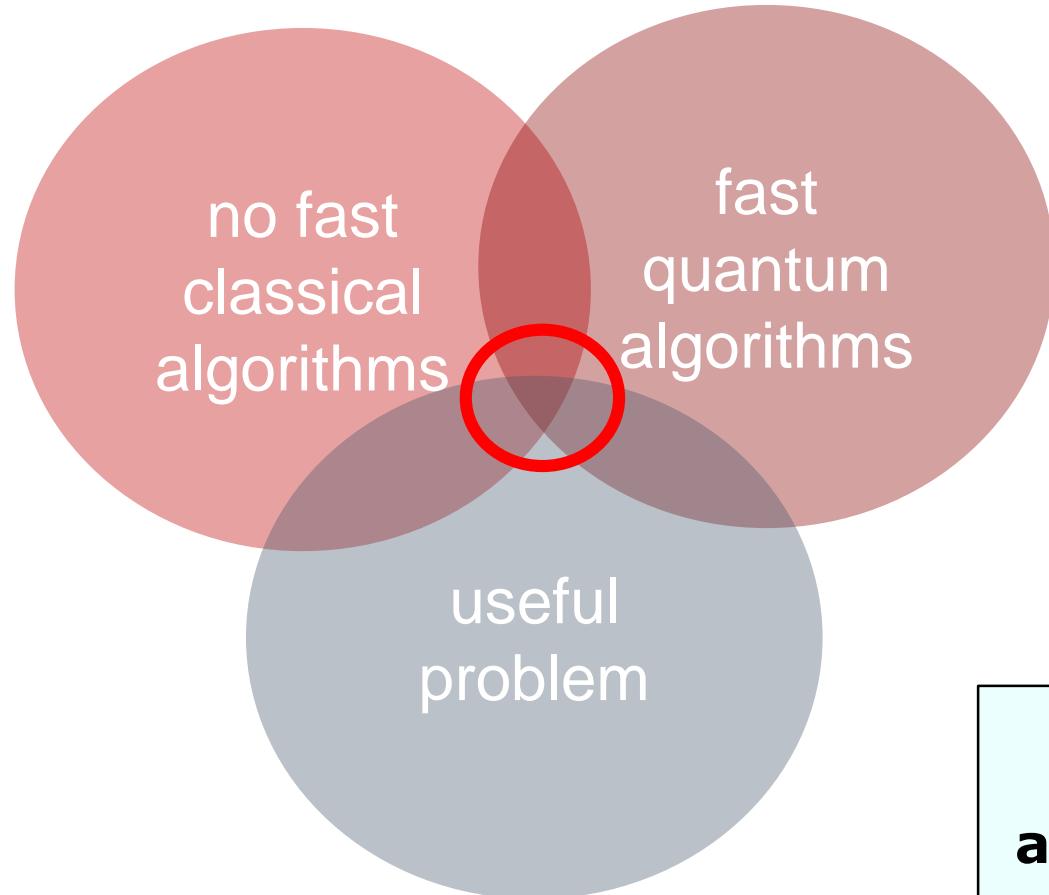
Quantum Algorithm



Paths to Applications

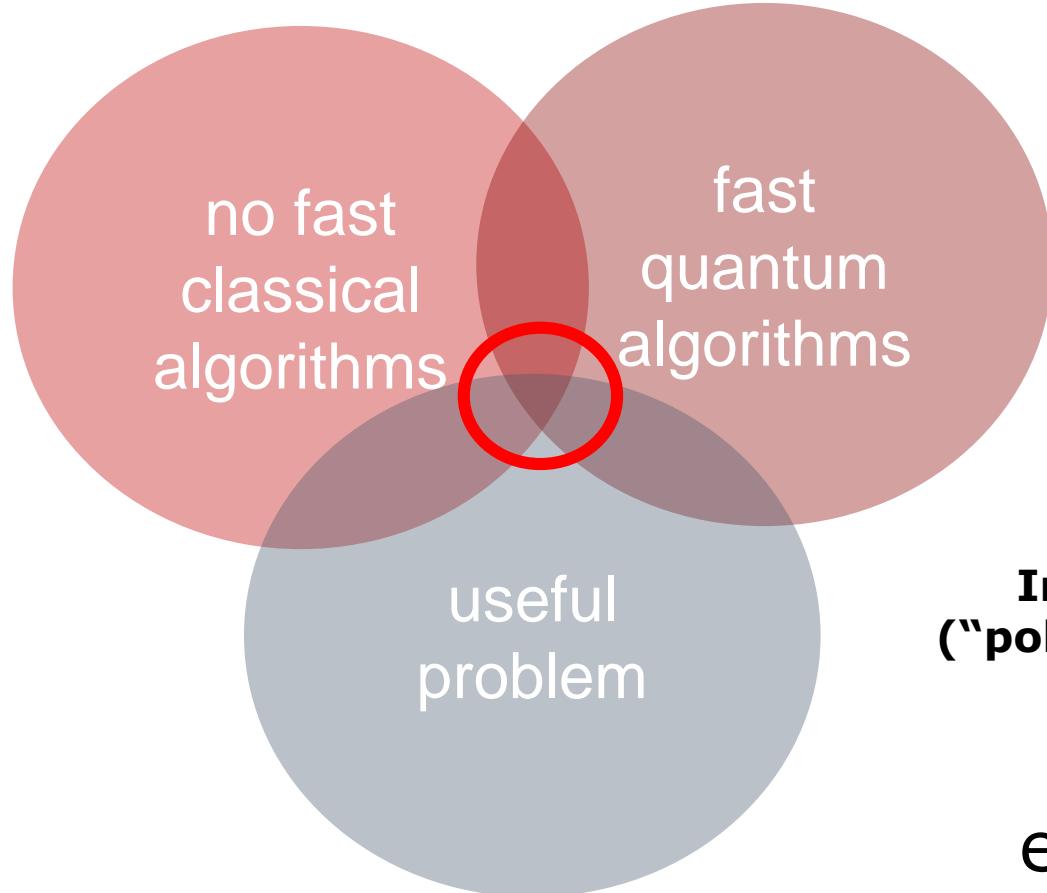


Commercial Quantum Advantage



Small region where useful quantum algorithms exist (as we know them today)

Types of Quantum Advantage



Two Types of Quantum Advantage

- System size,
- Time to solution,
- Other resources

$$\propto A(N) \exp(\beta N)$$

Improve the prefactor
("polynomial improvement")

e.g., $N \rightarrow N^{1/2}$

Reduce exp. to polynomial
("exponential improvement")

e.g., $2^N \rightarrow N^3$

Exponential Growth



$$2^0 = 1 \text{ penny}$$

**Exponential Growth:
Doubling Pennies Every Day for 1 Month**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

$$2^1 = 2 \text{ pennies}$$

$$2^2 = 4 \text{ pennies}$$

$$2^3 = 8 \text{ pennies}$$

:

**After 31 days, would you take the pennies
or \$10M?**

Exponential Growth



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$$2^{31} = 2,147,483,648 \text{ pennies} > \$21M !!$$

Exponential Power

- Simulating quantum computers (QCs) on classical computers

Qubits	Size of simulator
30	laptop

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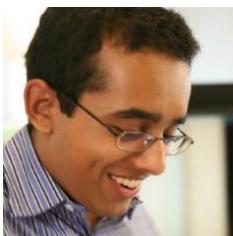
Exponential Power

- Simulating quantum computers (QCs) on classical computers

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50	supercomputer
80	all computers on Earth
160	all Si atoms in Earth
300	> all atoms than in known universe

Digital Quantum Algorithms

Algorithm	Classical Time	Quantum Time	Speedup	Limitation
Simulation ¹ (quantum chemistry)	2^N (for N atoms)	N^c	Exp. in space, polynomial in time	Mapping problem to qubits
Factoring ² (+ related number theoretic)	2^N (for N digits)	N^3	Exponential	Classical runtime limit unproven
Linear systems ³ ($Ax=b$)	2^N (for N digits)	$\sim N$	Exponential	Strict conditions, e.g. sparse matrix
Optimization ⁴	2^N	?	?	Empirical
Search ⁵ (unsorted / unstructured data)	N	\sqrt{N}	Polynomial (\sqrt{N})	Data loading



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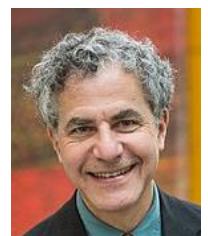
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DiVincenzo Criteria

Minimum requirements for the physical implementation of a quantum computer

D1: Robust, reproducible qubit technology

D2: Initialization

D3: Measurement

D4: Universal set of gates

D5: Coherence & fidelity

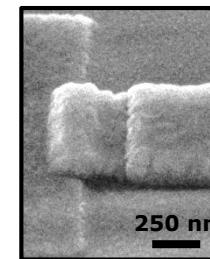
Dedicated Superconducting Qubit Fab

- 200-mm wafers & 50-mm wafers
- Qubits and classical digital electronics
- Deposition, dry etch, PECVD, CMP
- Unique facility worldwide
WDO, et al., 2006 - 2016

Custom Plassys Evaporator



Electron Beam Lithography



MIT-LL Raith EBPG5200
routinely patterns
<150 nm Josephson
junctions

Veeco Gen-200 MBE
System



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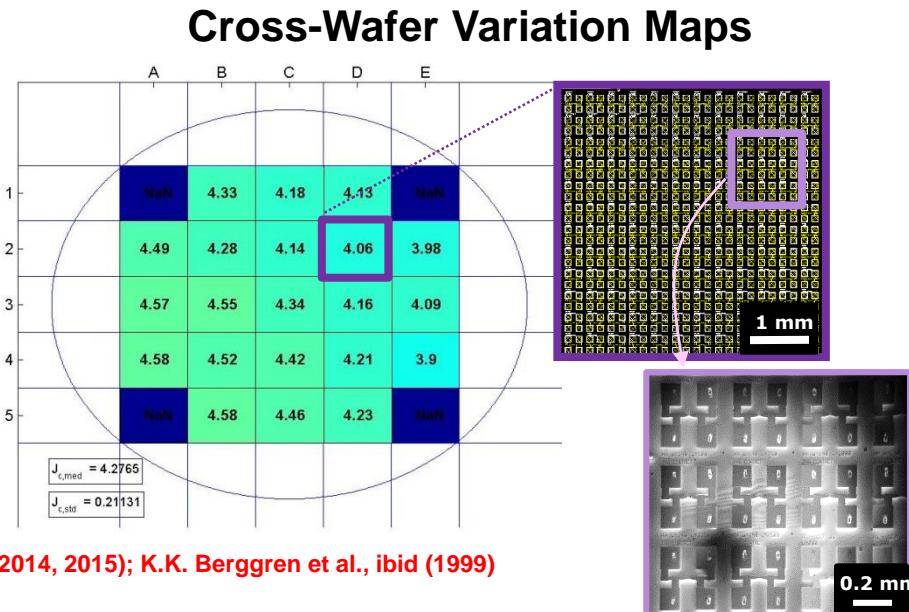
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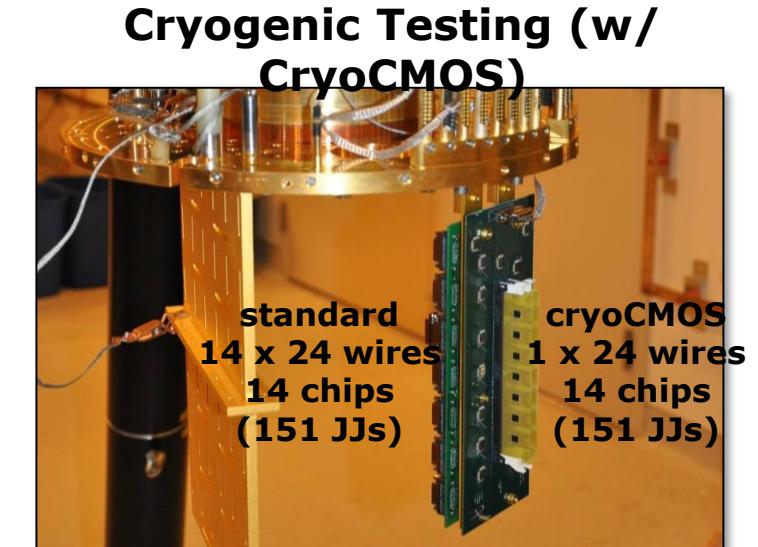
Room-Temp Probe Station



S. Tolpygo, ..., WDO, IEEE Appl. Supercond. (2014, 2015); K.K. Berggren et al., ibid (1999)

Fabrication Process Monitoring

- Data-driven process development
- >1000-10,000 test structures (50-200 mm wafers)
- JJs, lines, combs & snakes, contacts, crossovers, chains, ...
- Automated testing and analysis



WDO, et al., unpublished (2006)

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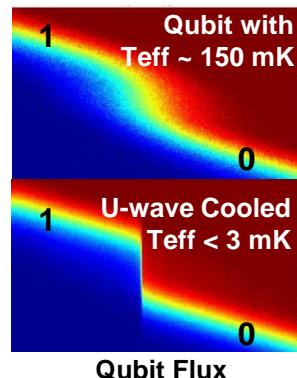
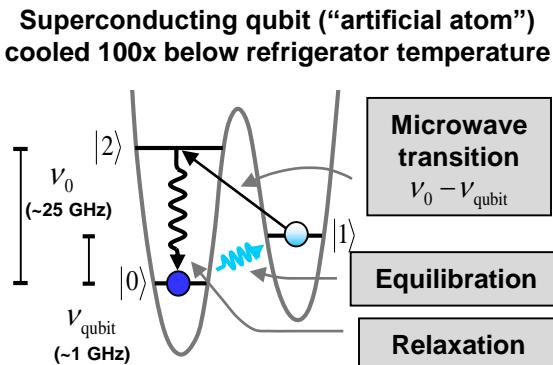
D5: Coherence & fidelity

High-fidelity (99.9%) state initialization

- Microwave cooling (active)
- Cryogenic engineering (passive)
- Active measurement-based feedback

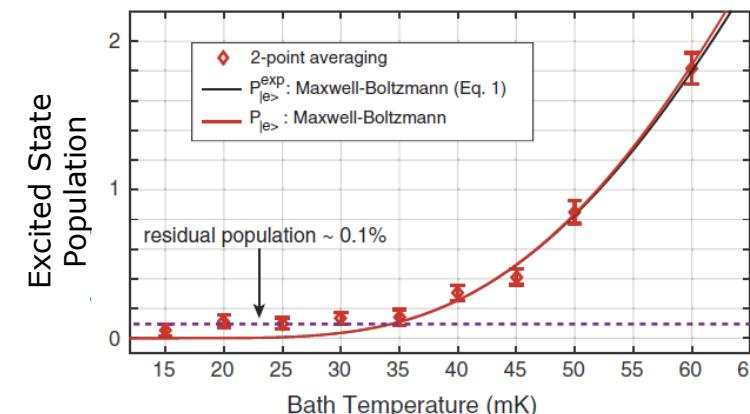
Microwave Cooling

WDO et al., Science 310, 1653 (2005); Science 310, 1589 (2006); Nature 455, 51 (2008)



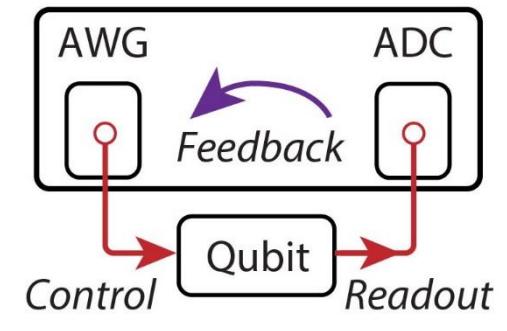
Cryogenic Engineering

X. Jin, ..., WDO, PRL 114, 240501 (2015)



Active Feedback

A. Greene, ..., WDO, APS MM (2018)



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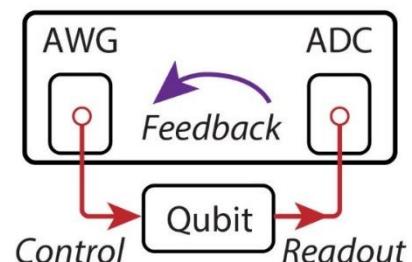
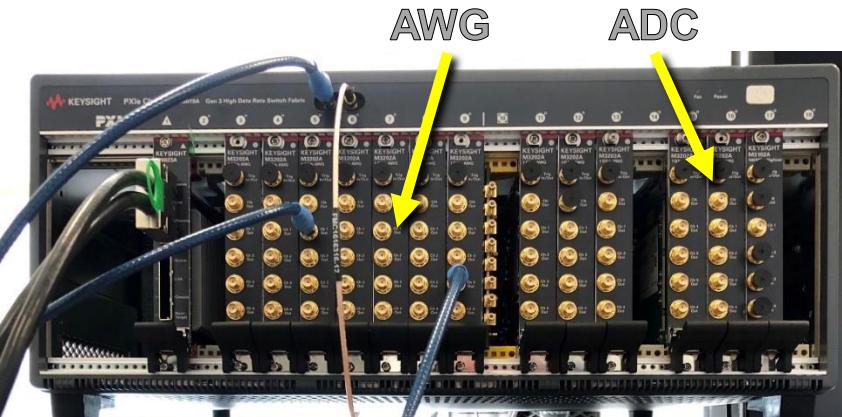
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D4: Universal set of gates

D5: Coherence & fidelity

Control electronics, software, and quantum-limited amplifiers high-fidelity measurement of error syndromes

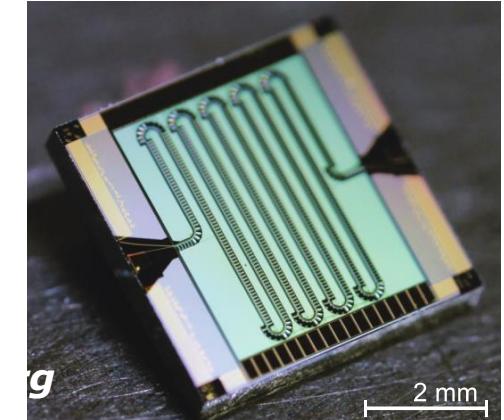
Engineering Quantum Systems Group and IARPA QEO Program (2015-2021)



Gustavsson, Krantz, Hover, and WDO



Macklin, WDO, et al., Science (2015)



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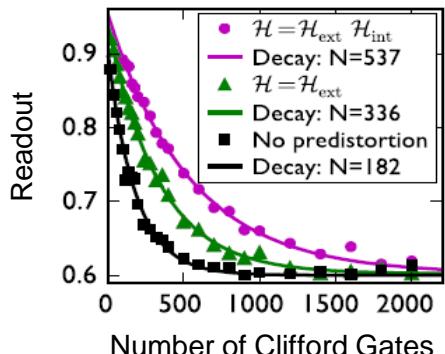
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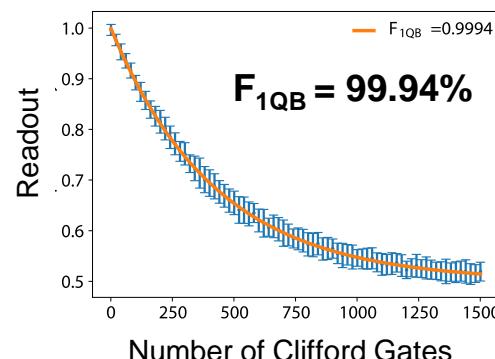
D5: Coherence & fidelity

Single-Qubit Gates

S. Gustavsson, ..., WDO, PRL 110, 040502 (2013)

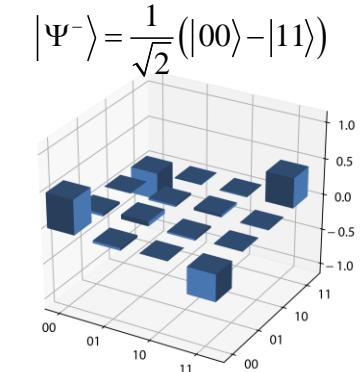
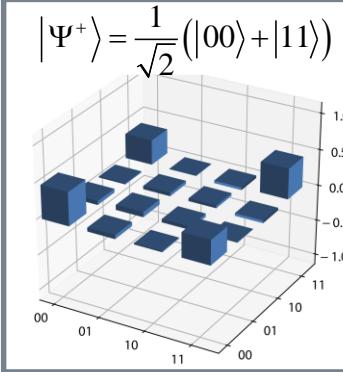
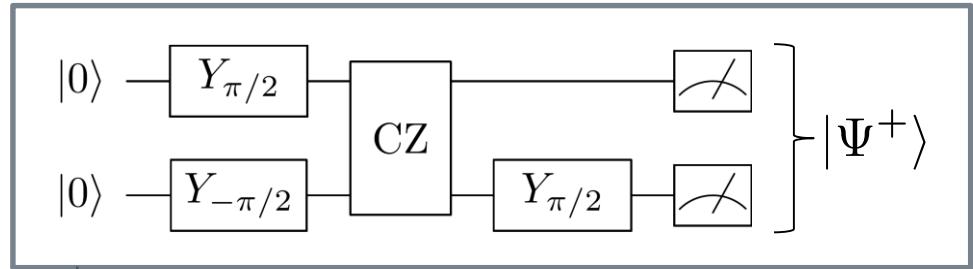
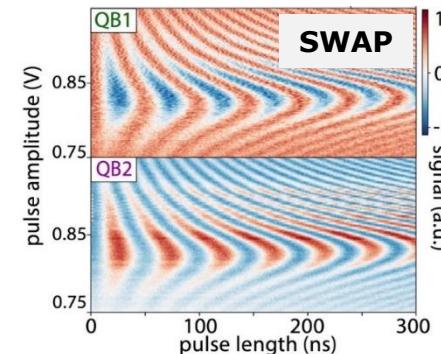


EQuS Team, ..., WDO (2018)



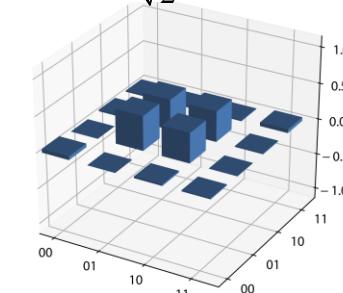
Two-Qubit Gates & Bell States

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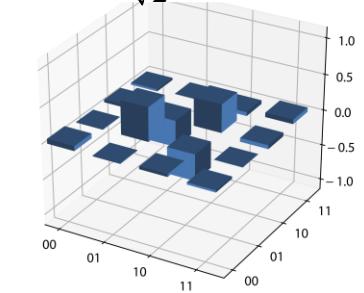


$$|\Psi^+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

$$|\Psi^-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)$$

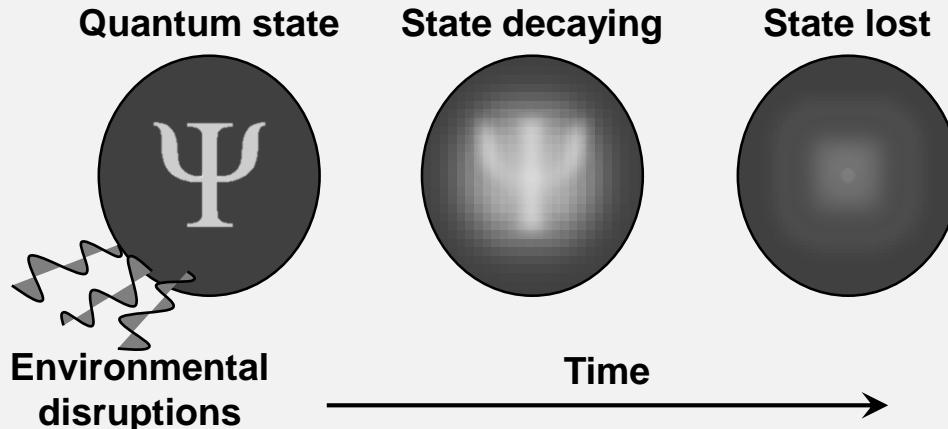


$$|\Phi^+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$



Coherence Time and Gate Time

Coherence time t_{coh} : The qubit's lifetime



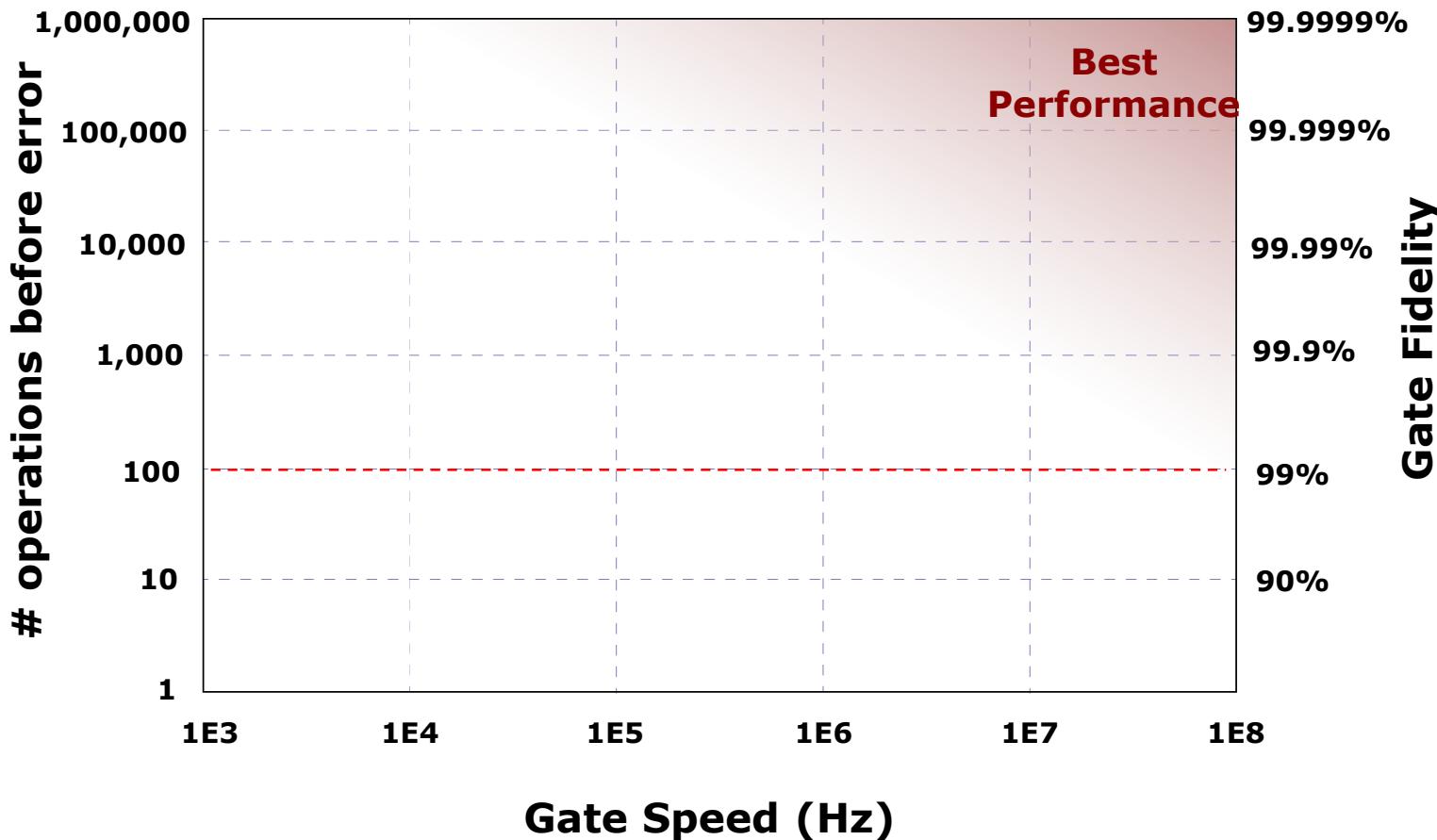
Gate time t_{gate} : Time required for a single gate operation

Figure of Merit * : # of gates per coherence time = t_{coh}/t_{gate}

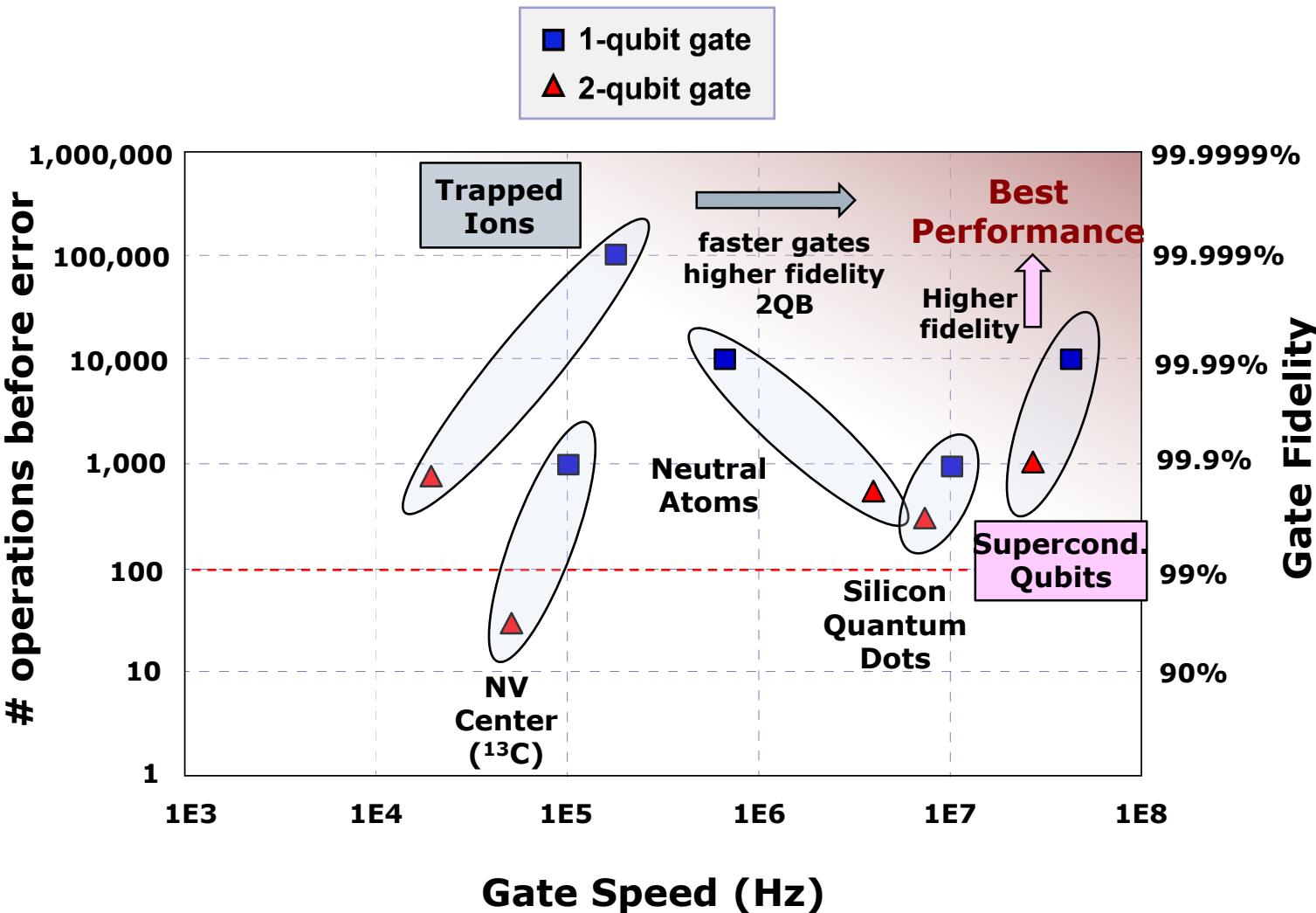
(* Rigorous metric: gate & readout fidelity)

Long coherence times are not sufficient, it's the number of gates before an error

Qubit Modalities



Qubit Modalities



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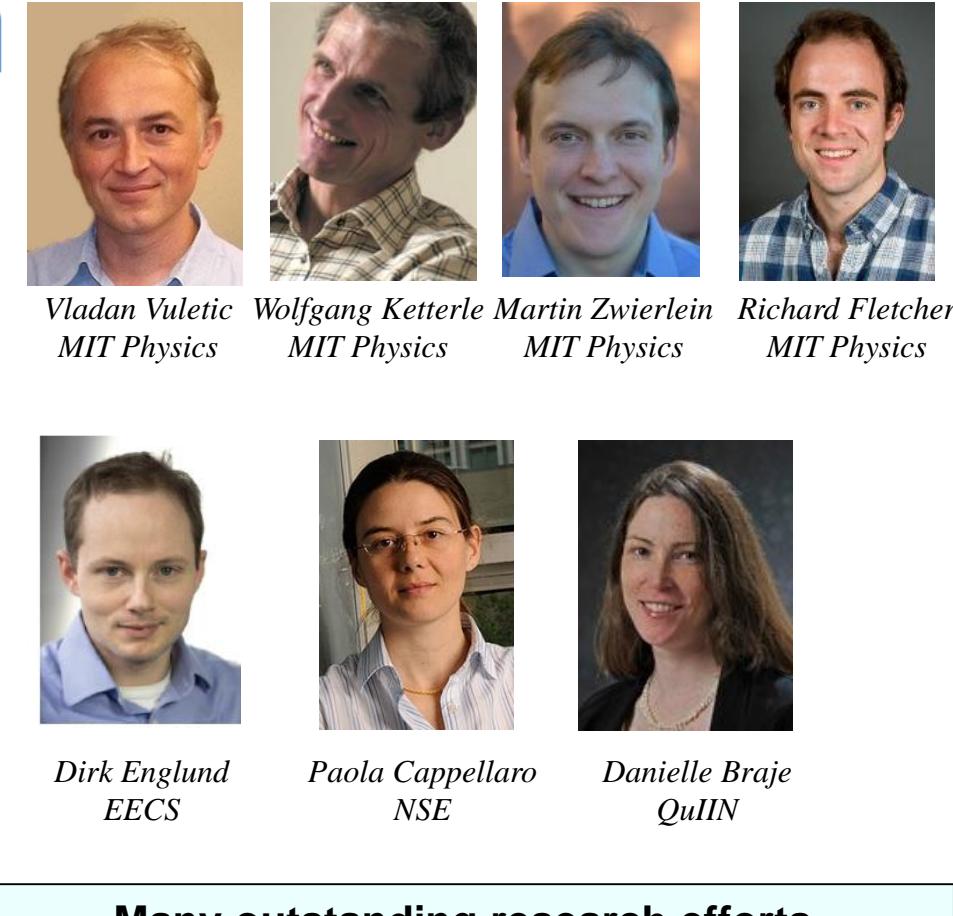
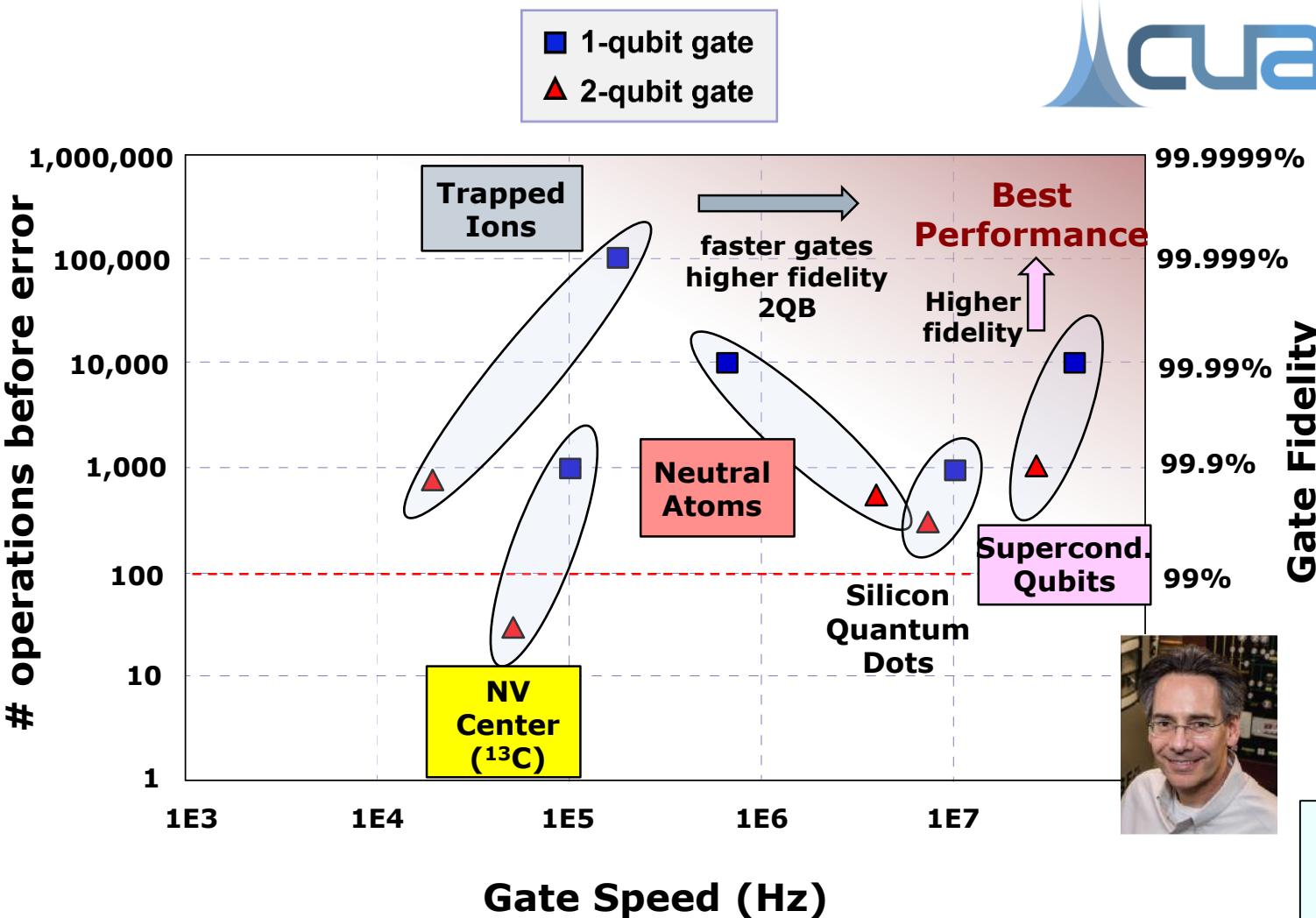
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and large teams at MIT & LL

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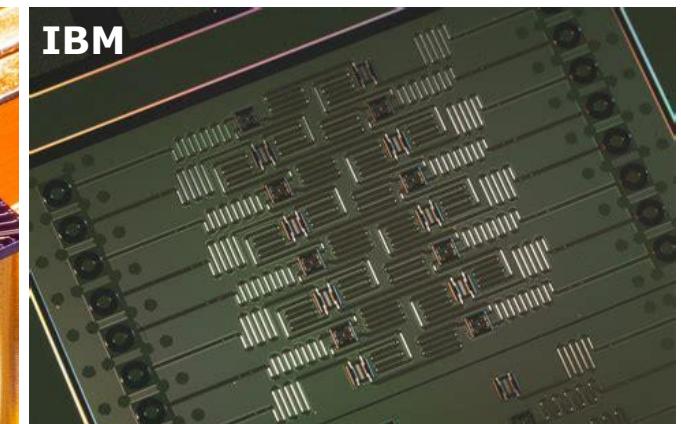
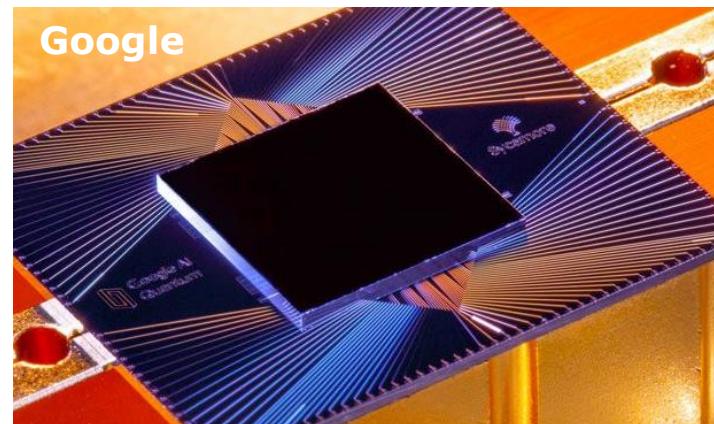
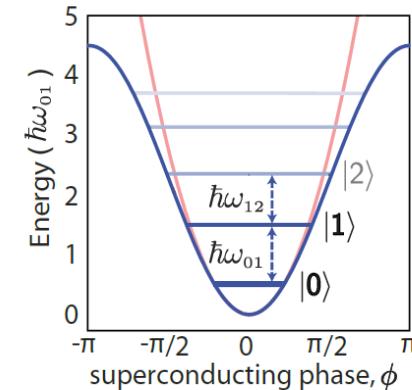
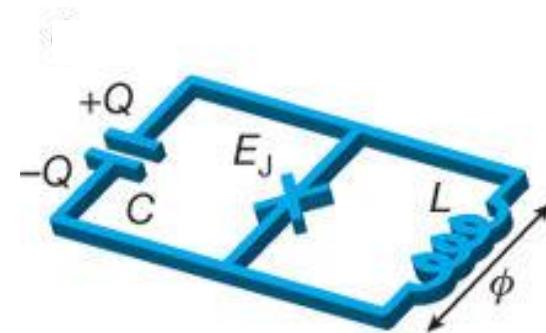


Many outstanding research efforts
in quantum at MIT campus and Lincoln Lab.
Plus many collaborators not shown.

Artificial Atom: Superconducting Qubits

- Qubit: superconducting circuit
 - Phase, flux, or charge
- Coherence times: ~ 100 us
- Fidelity and operation times
 - 1 QB: 99.99% in 10 ns
 - 2 QB: 99.9% in 40 ns
 - Readout: 99.0% in 200 ns
- Clock rate: ~ 25 MHz
- Largest algorithm: 53 qubits
- Companies:
 - AWS, Google, IBM, QCI, Rigetti, ...
 - Annealing: D-Wave

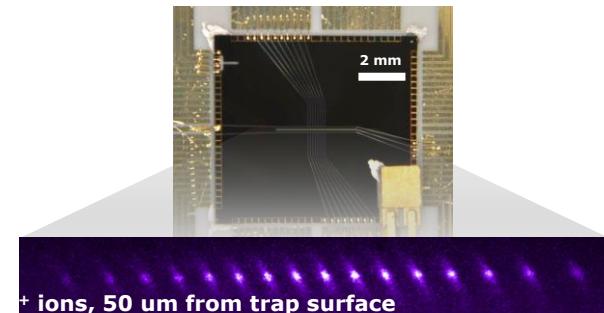
Electrical Circuit -- Anharmonic Oscillator



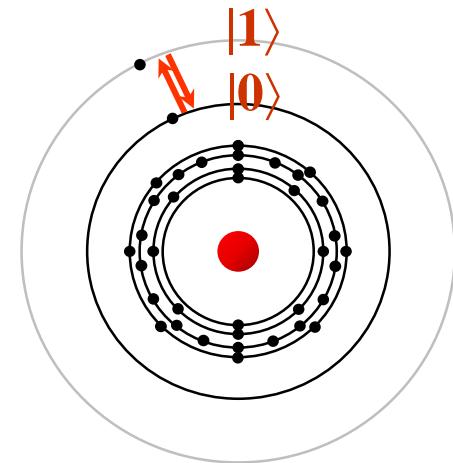
Atomic State: Trapped Ion Qubits

- Qubit: energy levels of an ionized atom
 - Ca+, Sr+, Be+
 - Optical or microwave transitions
- Coherence times: 10 s
- Fidelity and operation times
 - 1 QB: 99.999% in 5 us
 - 2 QB: 99.900% in 50 us
 - Readout: 99.990% in 30 us
- Clock rate: \sim 20 kHz
- Largest algorithm: 30 qubits
- Companies: Honeywell, Ion-Q, AQT, Universal Quantum, ...

Trapped Ions in Surface Trap



Energy Levels

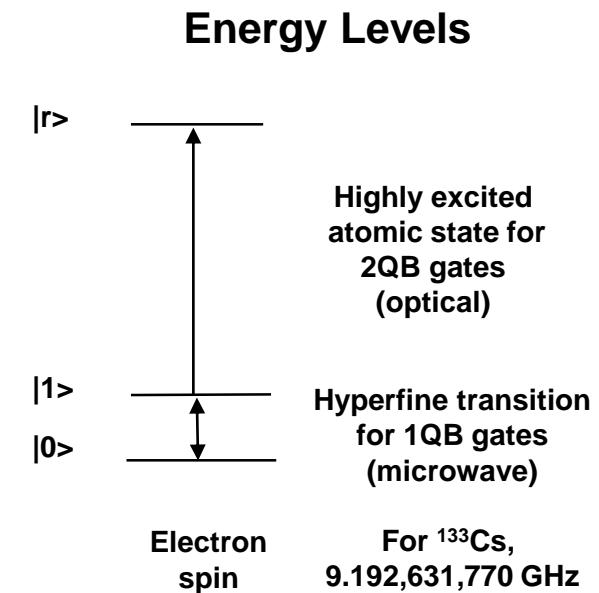
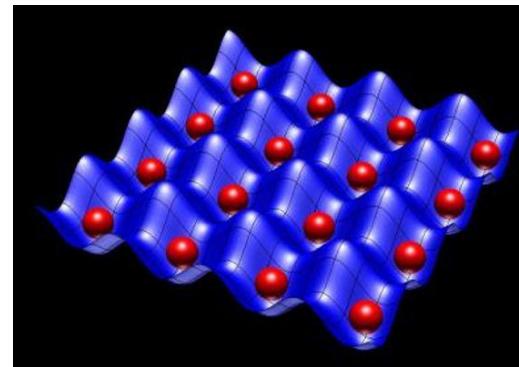


Sr⁺ ion

Atomic State: Neutral Atoms

- Qubit: energy levels of a neutral atom
 - Rb, Cs, Ho trapped in an optical lattice
 - Optical and microwave fields
- Coherence times: 1 s
- Fidelity and operation times
 - 1 QB: 99% in 3 us
 - 2 QB: >99% in 300 us
 - Readout: 99.90% in >3 milliseconds
- Clock rate: 10 kHz
- Largest lattices: 100-300 qubits
- Companies: Atom Computing, ColdQuanta, Pasqual, QuEra

Neutral Atoms in Optical Lattice



Electron Spin: SiGe Quantum Dots

□ Qubit: electron spin

- Quantum dots in SiGe 2DEGs
- RF and baseband pulsing
- Double-dot, triple-dot, CMOS dot

□ Coherence times: 400 us

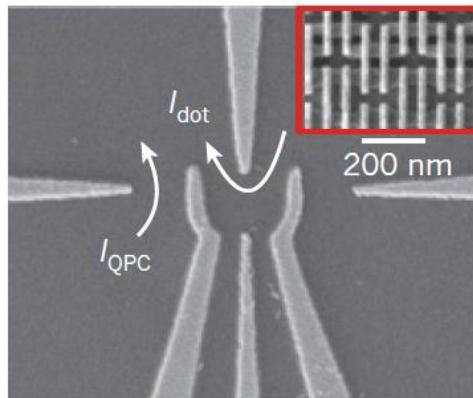
□ Fidelity and operation times

- 1 QB: 99.5% in 100 ns
- 2 QB: >99% in 200 ns
- Readout: 99% in 1 us

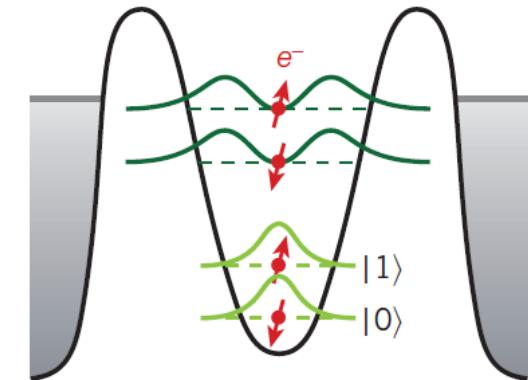
□ Clock rate: 5 MHz

□ Companies: HRL, Intel

SiGe Quantum Dots



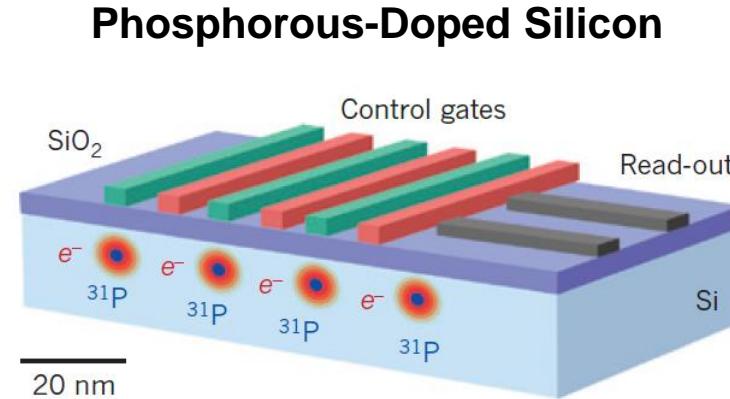
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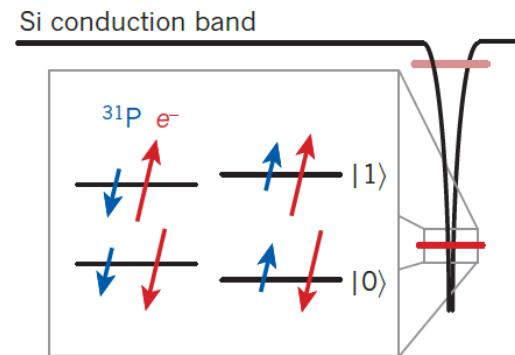
Nature 479, 345 (2011)

Electron Spin: Phosphorus-Doped Silicon

- Qubit: electron spin (nuclear spins)
 - Phosphorus donor in silicon
 - Microwave pulses
- Coherence times: 100 ms (1 s)
- Fidelity and operation times
 - 1 QB: 99.5% in 200 ns (99.99% in 100 us)
 - 2 QB: ~ 90% in 1-100 ns
 - Readout: 95.0% in 1 ms (99.9% in 50 ms)
- Clock rate: *TBD*
- Companies: SQC (Silicon Quantum Computing)



Energy Levels



Electron and Nuclear Spins: NV Centers

- Qubit: electron or nuclear spin

- Nitrogen vacancy electron (NV-)
- Nitrogen or carbon nuclear spins
- Other defects may be used

- Coherence times: 20 ms

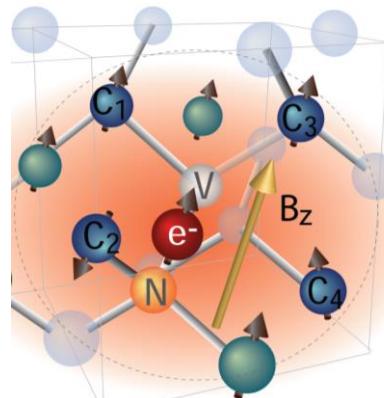
- Fidelity and operation times

- 1 QB: 99.5% in 10 us
- 2 QB: >90% in 25 us
- Readout: 94.0% in 50 us

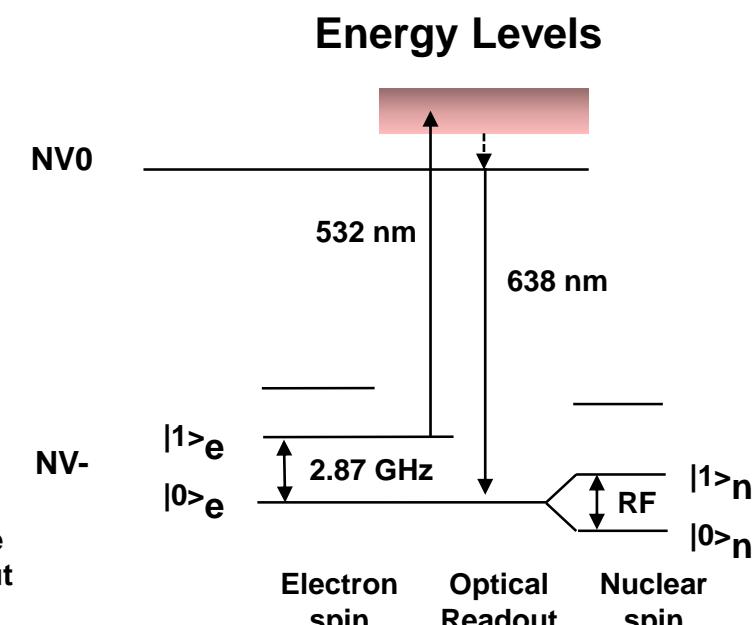
- Clock rate: 40 kHz

- Companies: N/A (mostly sensing applications)

Diamond with Nitrogen Vacancy

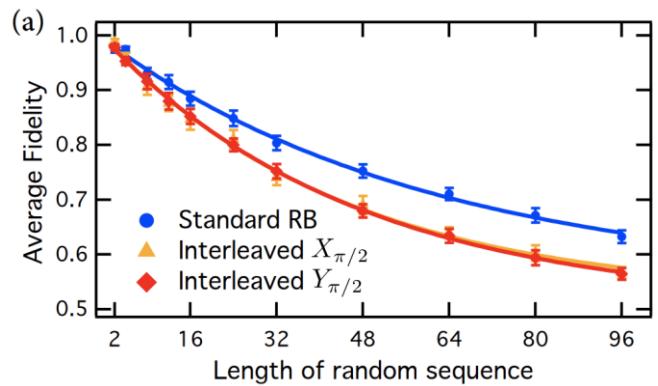


(note: redraw and have all carbon atoms be blue with a nuclear spin. Do not label C1...C4, just put an "n" inside one. Put an "e" inside the electron instead of e-. Label B rather than Bz)



Benchmarking Methods

Randomized Benchmarking



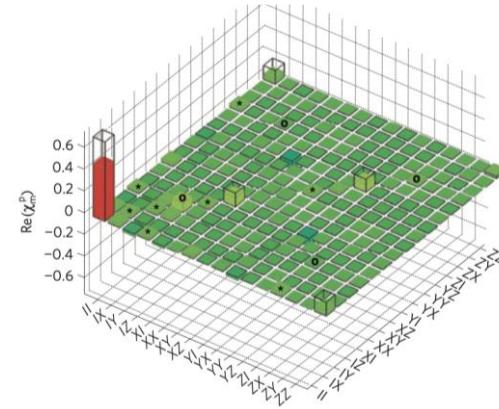
Pros

- Simple and efficient procedure to obtain fidelity
- Current 'gold standard'

Cons

- Time dependent errors may alter decay curve

Quantum Process Tomography



Pros

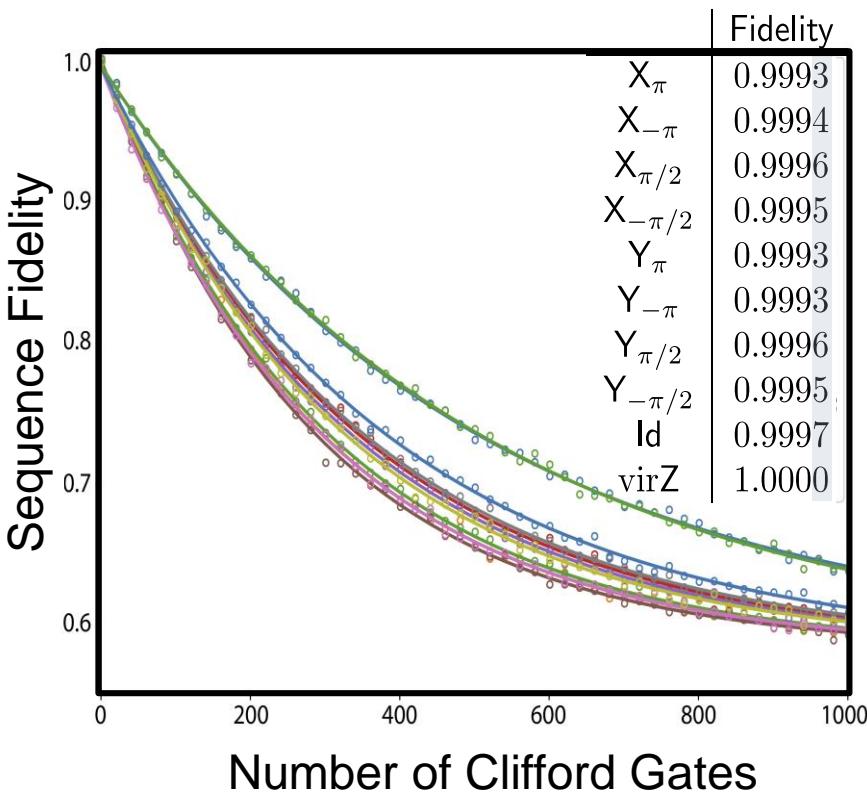
- Exact reconstruction of any quantum process

Cons

- Exponential resource requirement (3 qubits is the borderline)
- Cannot separate gate errors from SPAM errors

Gate Fidelities

Single-Qubit Gate Fidelity > 0.999



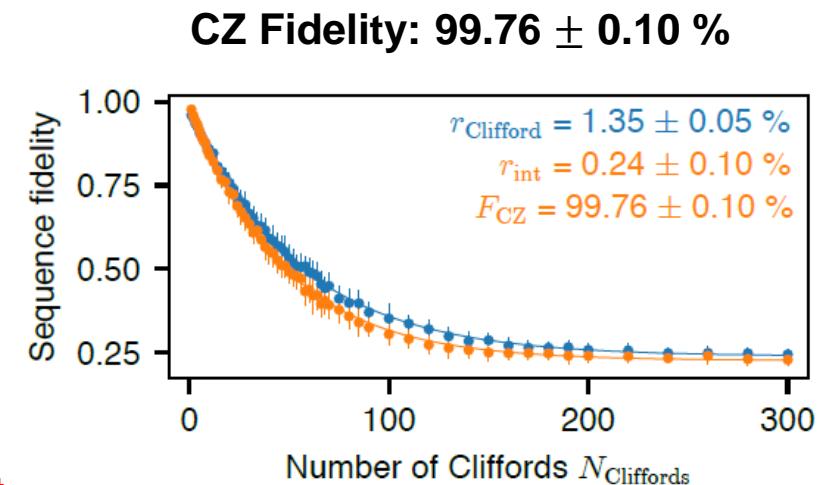
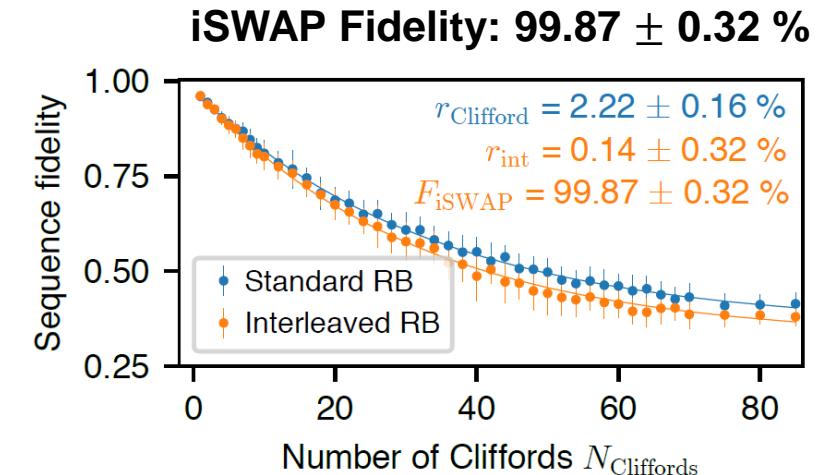
Two-Qubit Gate Fidelity > 0.995

iSWAP gate

$$U_{\text{iSWAP}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Controlled-Z (CZ) gate

$$U_{\text{CZ}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Quantum Advantage Demonstrations

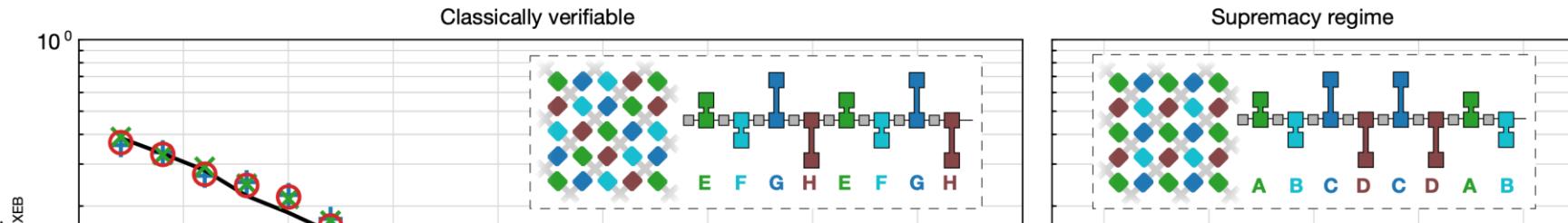
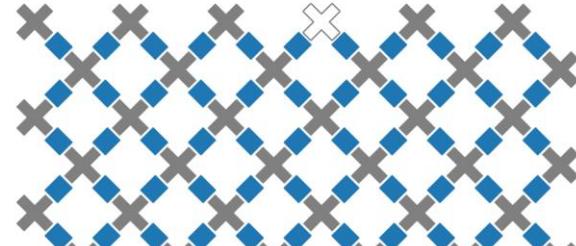
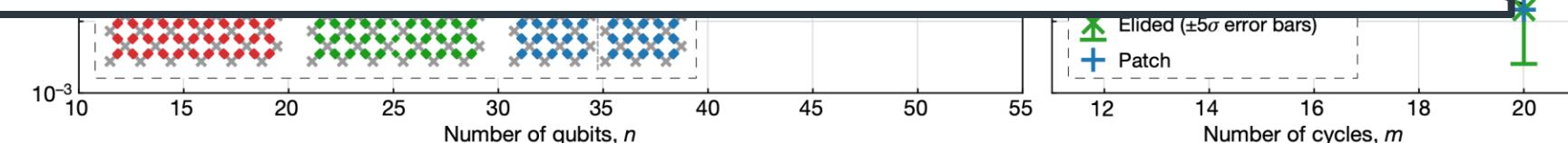


TABLE I. The runtime of tensor network algorithm for different circuits on Summit. The classical simulation consumption estimation of the random quantum circuit sampling experiment on the Sycamore, *Zuchongzhi* 2.0, and *Zuchongzhi* 2.1 processors are provided. FPOs is the abbreviation for the number of floating point operations, QPU is the abbreviation for quantum processing unit.

Processor	Circuit	Fidelity	# of bitstrings	FPOs (a perfect sample)	FPOs (circuit)	Runtime on Summit	Runtime on QPU	ClassicalRuntime /QauntumRuntime
Sycamore [8]	53-qubit 20-cycle	0.224%	3.0×10^6	1.63×10^{18}	1.10×10^{22}	15.9 days	600s	2.29×10^3
<i>Zuchongzhi</i> 2.0 [11]	56-qubit 20-cycle	0.0662%	1.9×10^7	1.65×10^{20}	2.08×10^{24}	8.2 years	1.2h	6.02×10^4
<i>Zuchongzhi</i> 2.1	60-qubit 22-cycle	0.0758%	1.5×10^7	1.06×10^{22}	1.21×10^{26}	4.8×10^2 years	1h	4.21×10^6
<i>Zuchongzhi</i> 2.1	60-qubit 24-cycle	0.0366%	7.0×10^7	4.68×10^{23}	1.2×10^{28}	4.8×10^4 years	4.2h	9.93×10^7

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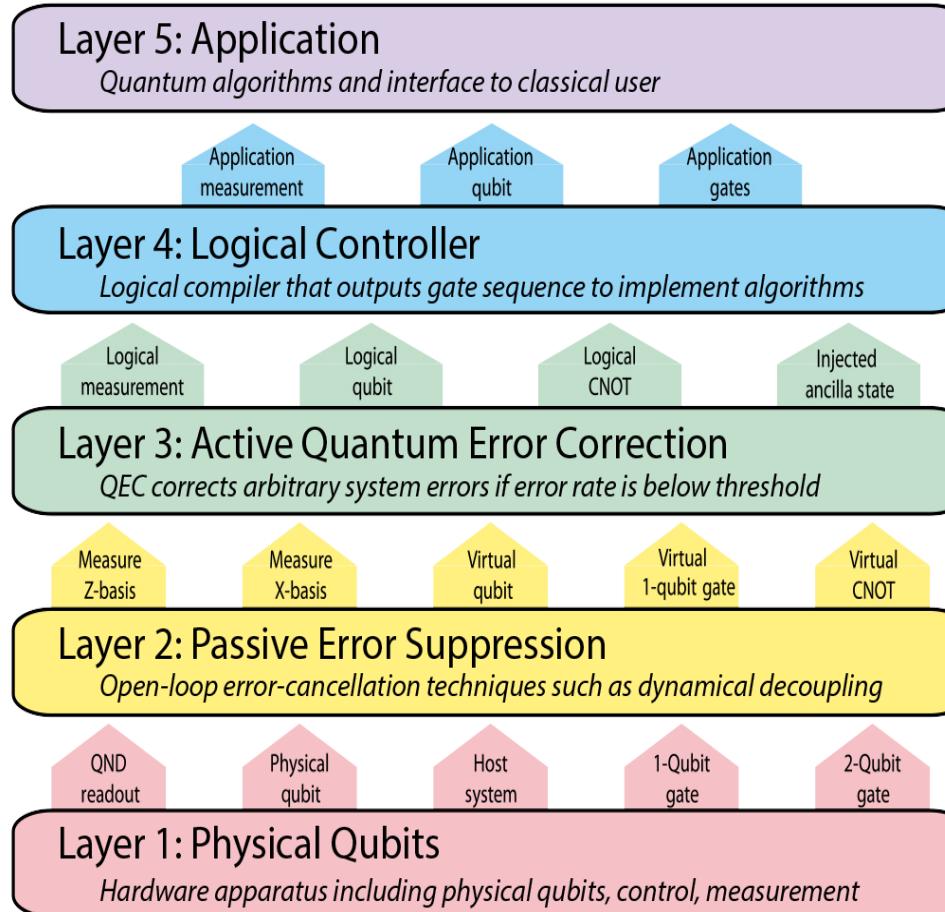


The Google Quantum AI team demonstrated a calculation in ~200s with one chip, 53 superconducting qubits, drawing around 100 kW of power

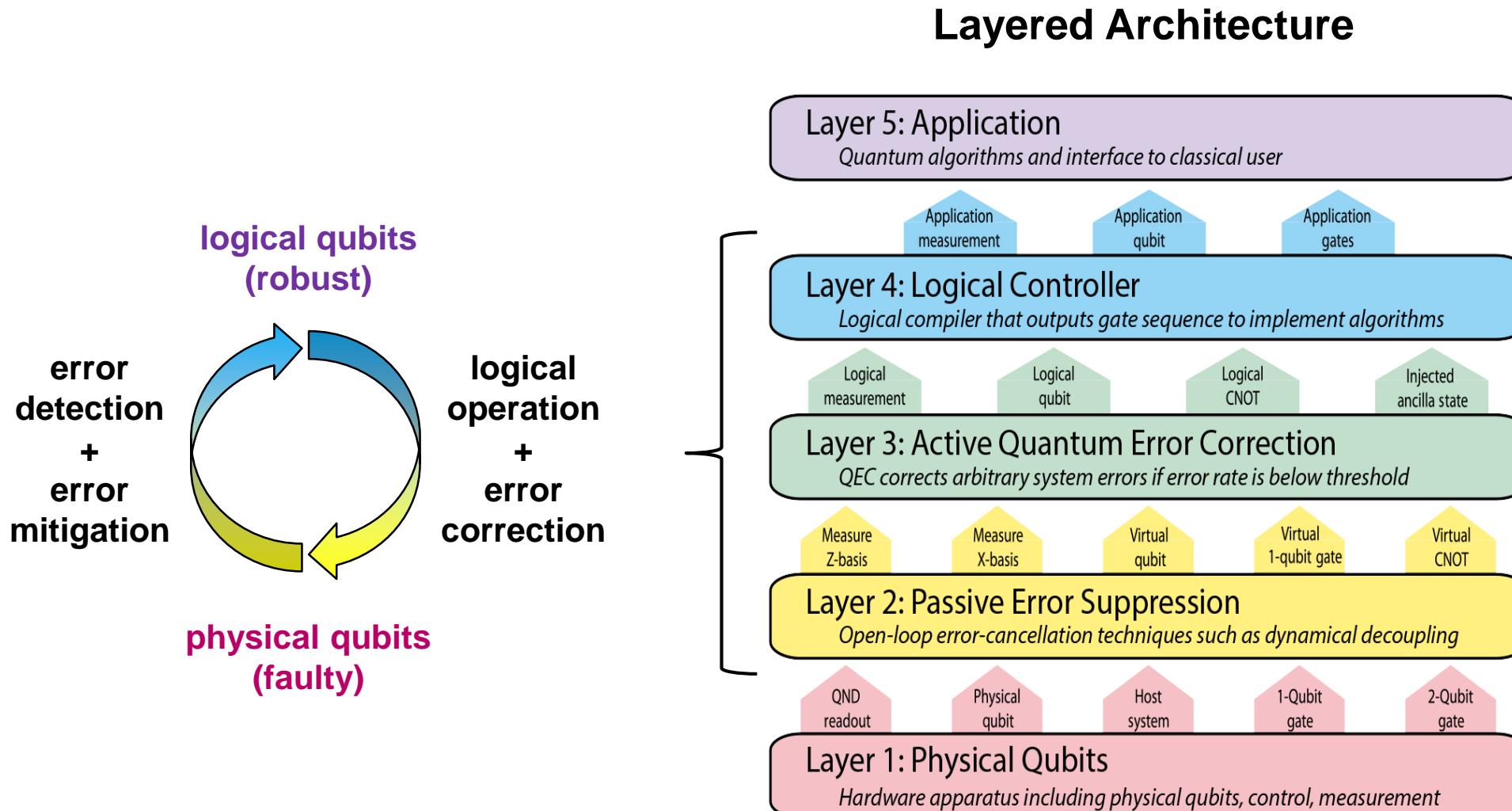
On the Summit supercomputer (Oak Ridge National Laboratory), it would take several days, with all 40,000 CPUs & GPUs, 10^{17} transistors & memory, and 100's MW of power

Architectural Layers of a QIP

Layered Architecture



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Engineered Error Mitigation:
Dynamical Decoupling

Eg. Lacrosse Cradling



Layered Architecture

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Quantum algorithms and interface to classical user

Application measurement

Application qubit

Application gates

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Logical compiler that outputs gate sequence to implement algorithms

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Layer 3: Active Quantum Error Correction

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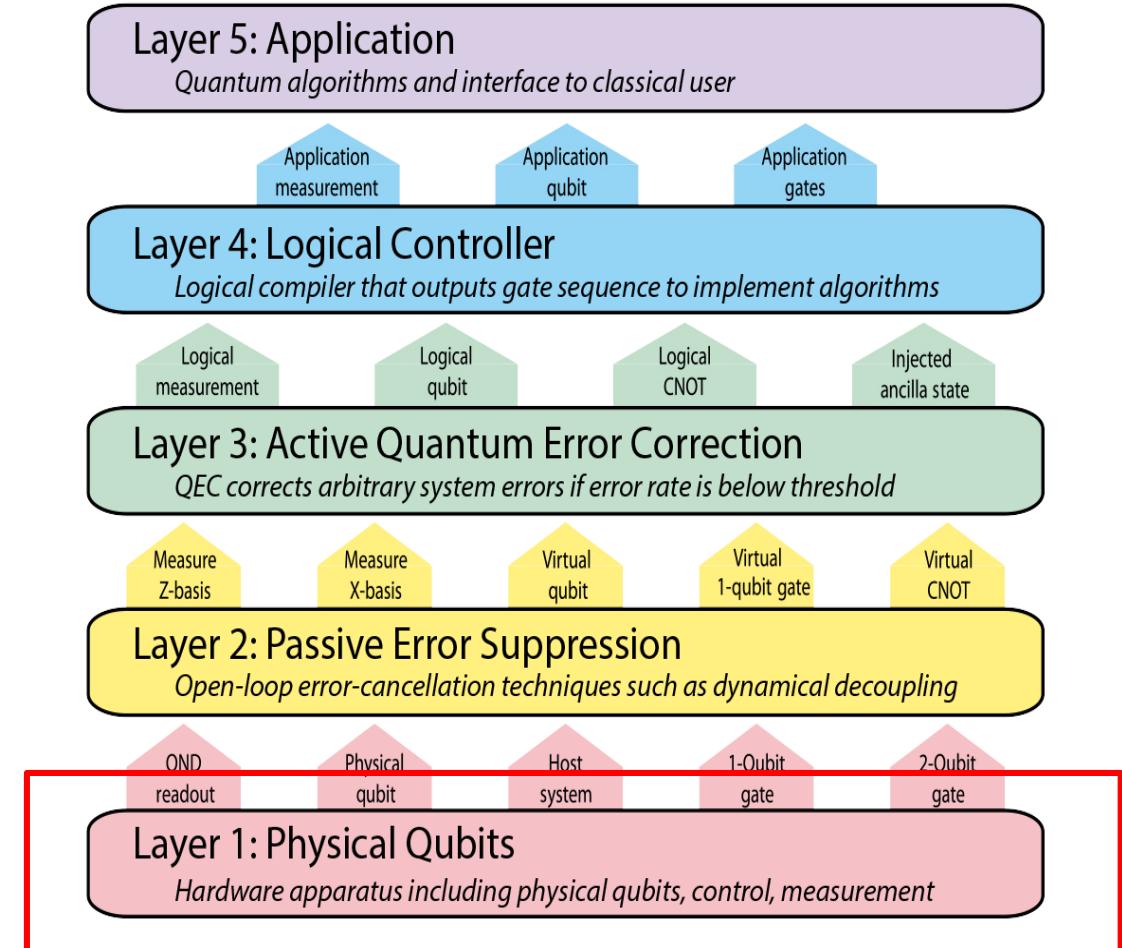
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Lacrosse in the Presence of Noise



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Dynamical Decoupling from Running “Noise”

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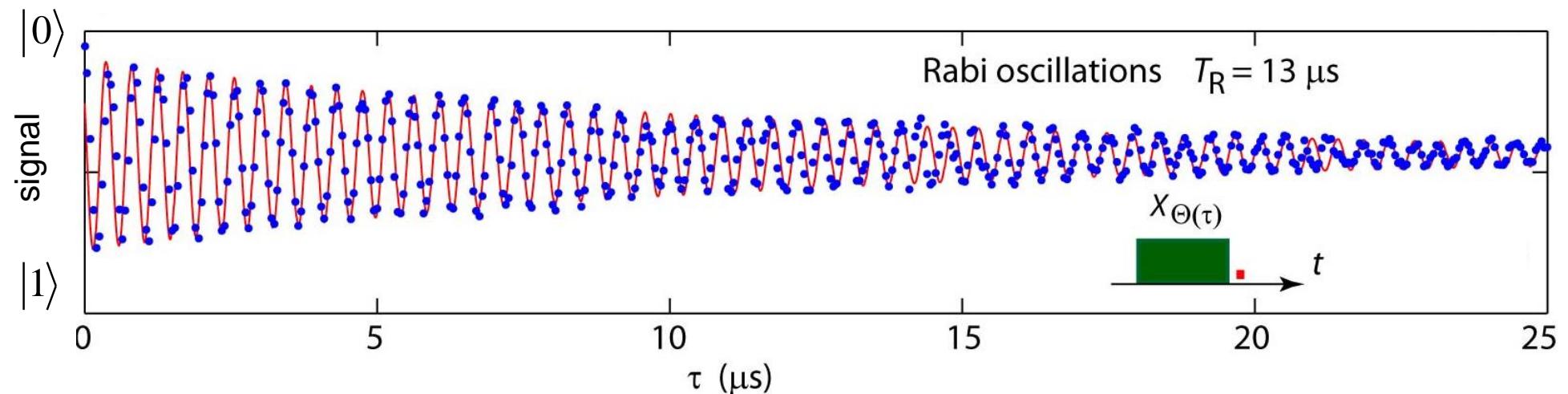
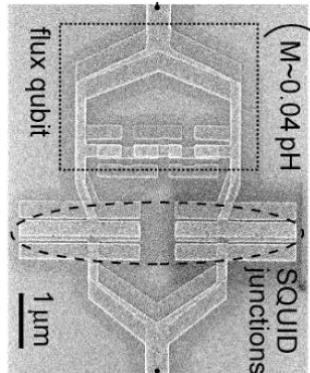
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Coherence Times



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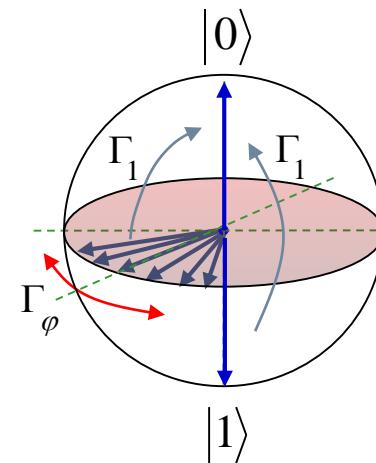
$$\Gamma_1 = 1/T_1$$

- **Decoherence rate:**

$$\Gamma_2 = \frac{1}{T_2} = \frac{1}{2T_1} + \frac{1}{T_\varphi}$$

- **Dephasing rate:**

$$\Gamma_\varphi = 1/T_\varphi$$

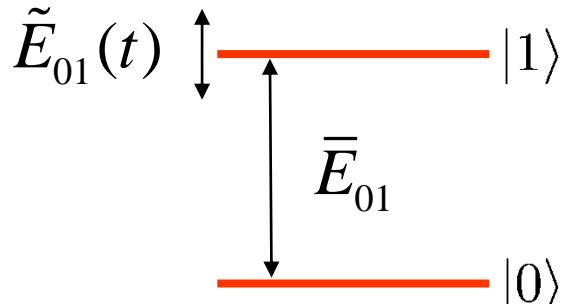


$$T_1 = 12 \text{ } \mu\text{s}$$

$$T_2 = 2.5 \text{ } \mu\text{s}$$

Can we improve the dephasing time?

Qubit Dephasing and Filter Function



Free evolution of the phase

$$\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \implies \alpha|0\rangle + \beta e^{i\varphi(t)}|1\rangle$$

$$\varphi(t) = \bar{\varphi}(t) + \tilde{\varphi}(t)$$

dephasing

$$\bar{\varphi}(t) = \frac{\bar{E}_{01}}{\hbar} t$$

$$\langle \exp i\tilde{\varphi}(t) \rangle = \left\langle \exp \left(\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^\tau dt \tilde{E}_{01}(t) \right) \right\rangle$$

for Gaussian-distributed fluctuations

sensitivity of qubit energy to fluctuations λ

strength (variance) of fluctuations

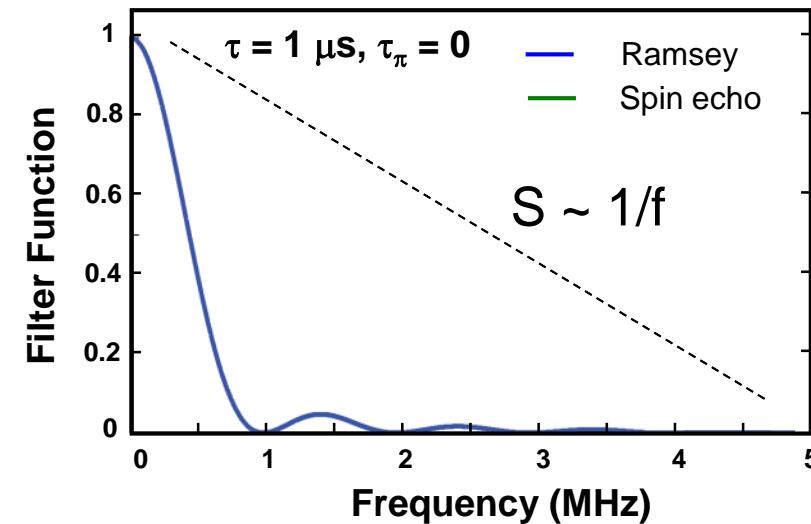
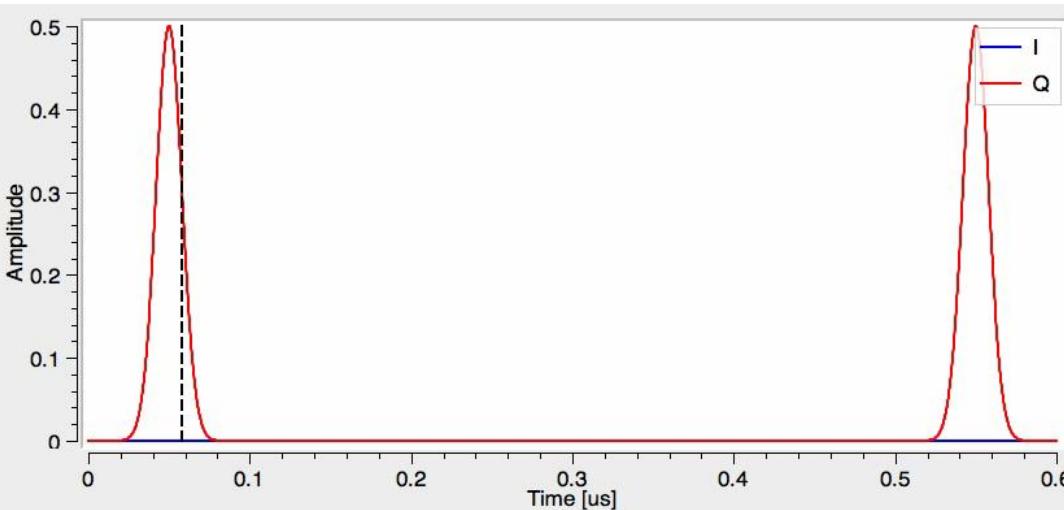
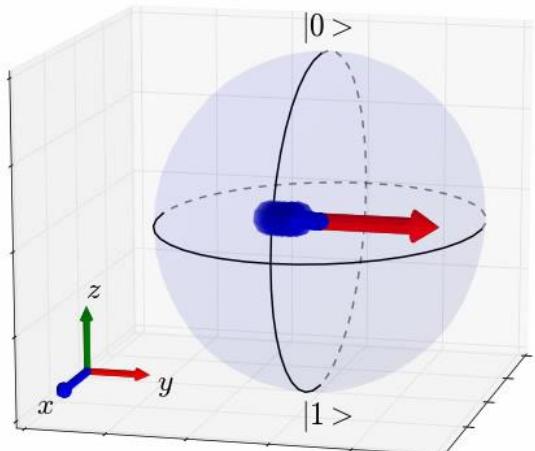
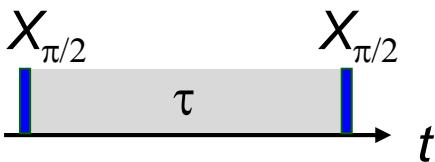
$$= \exp \left[-\frac{\tau^2}{2\hbar^2} \left(\frac{\partial E_{01}}{\partial \lambda} \right)^2 \underbrace{\int d\omega S_\lambda(\omega) g_N(\omega t)}_{\text{Filter function shapes noise}} \right]$$

Filter function shapes noise

Engineered filter function depends on pulse sequence and windows the PSD $S_\lambda(\omega)$

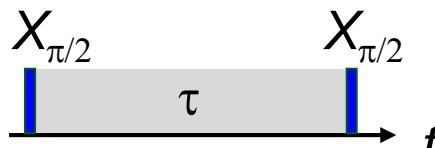
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(Ramsey, N=0)

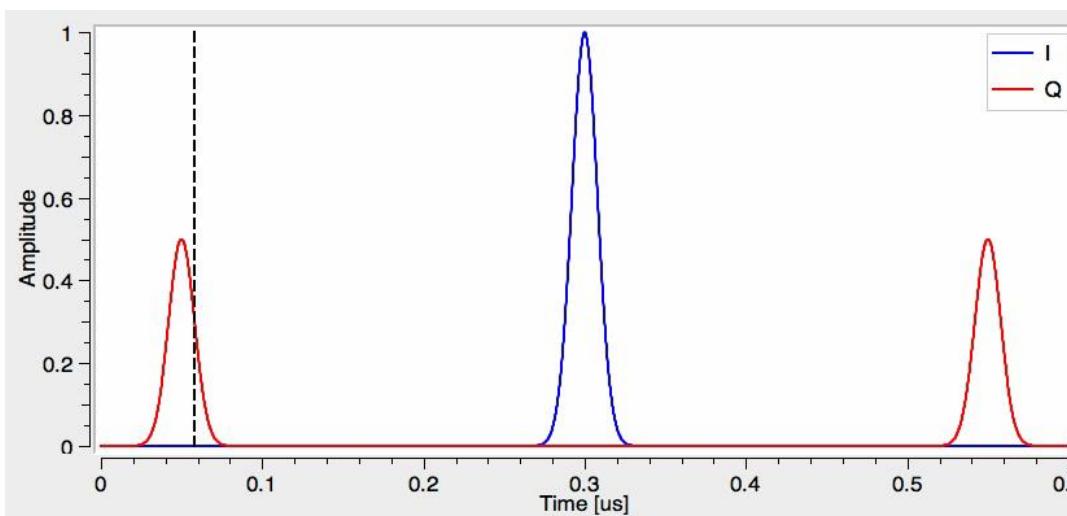
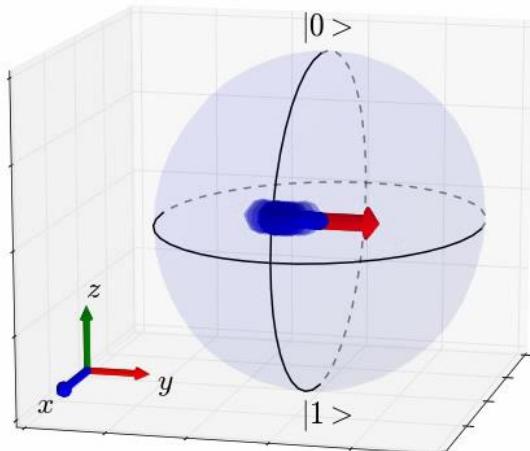
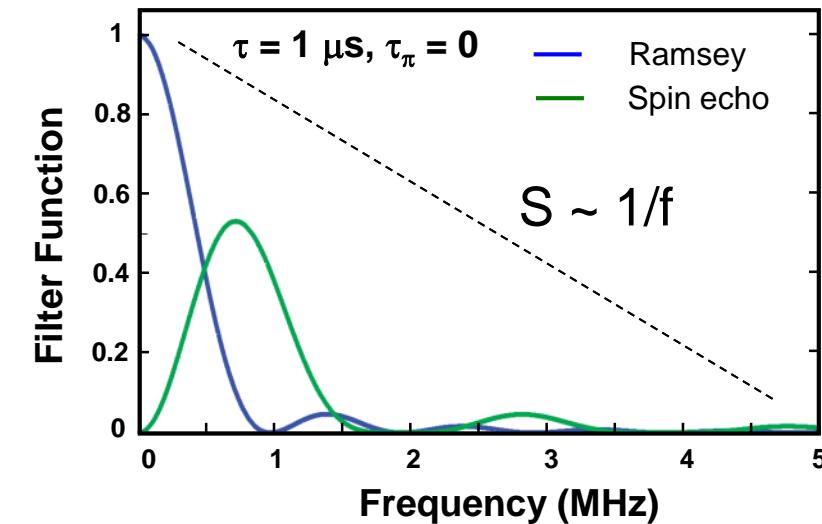
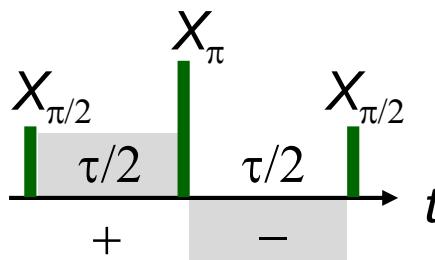


Dynamical Decoupling: Noise Shaping Filters with 1 π -pulse

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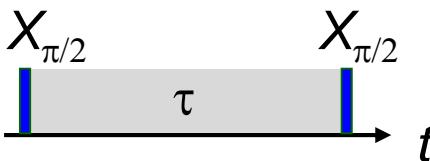


WITH Dynam. Decoup.
(spin echo, N=1)

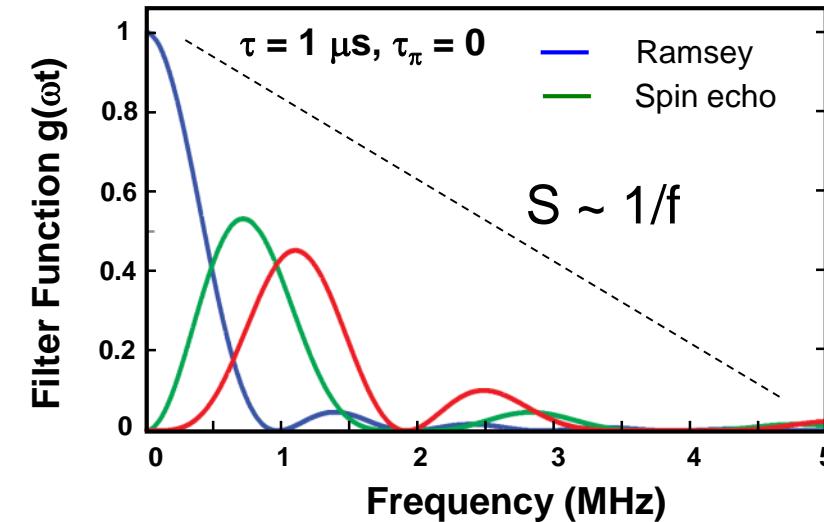
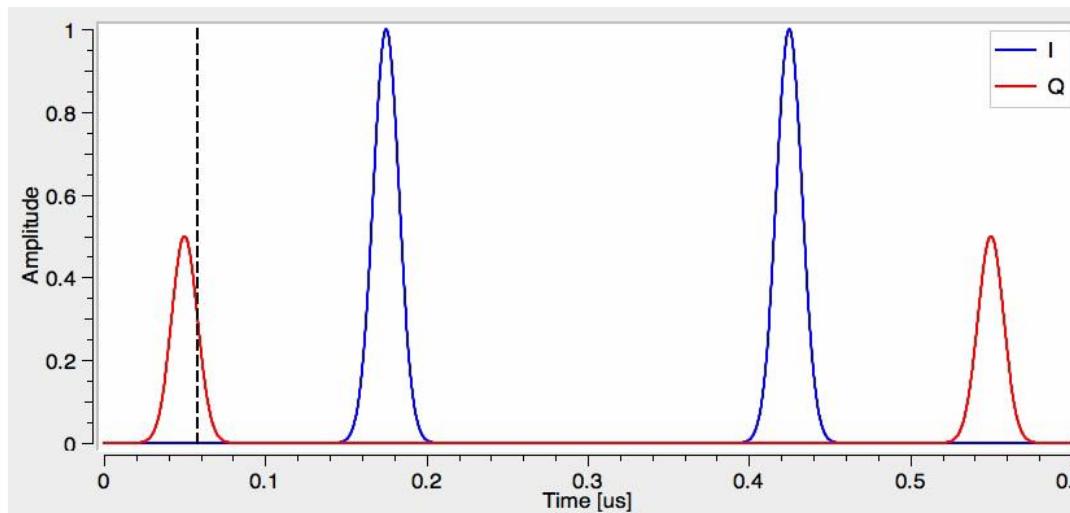
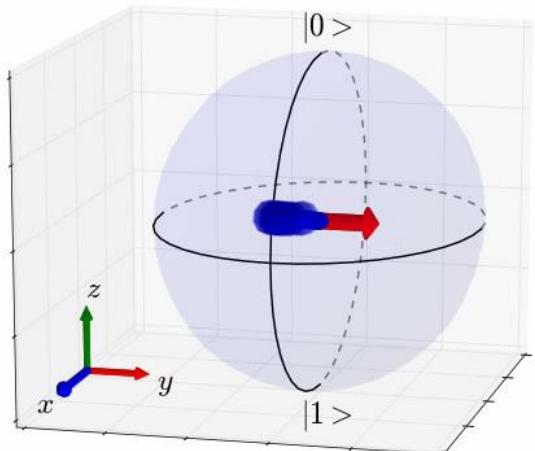
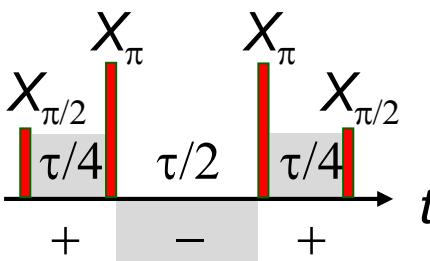


Dynamical Decoupling: Noise Shaping Filters with 2 π -pulses

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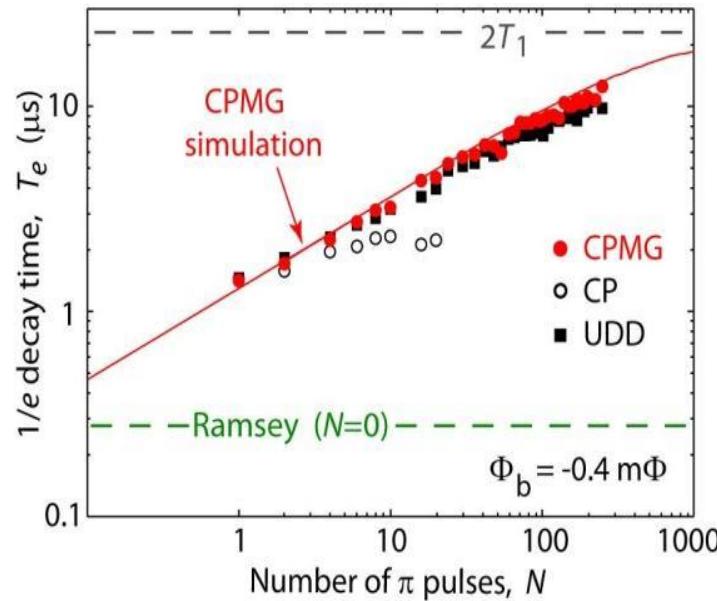
WITH Dynam. Decoup.
(CPMG, N=2)



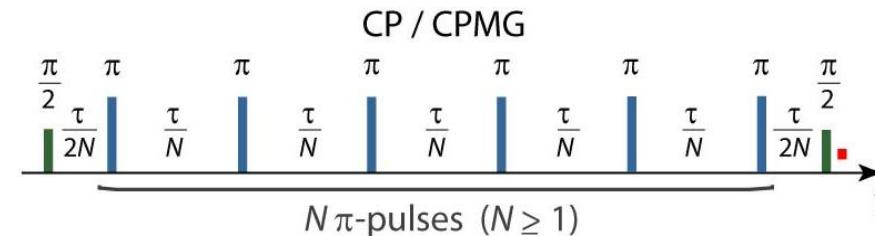
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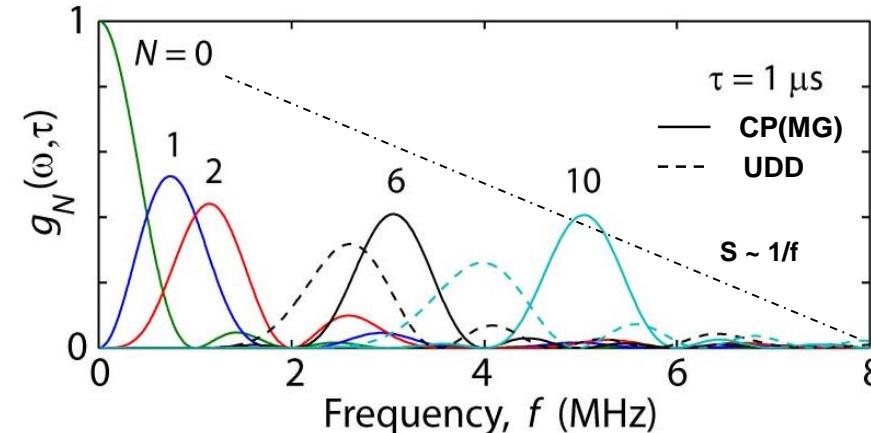
Dynamical Decoupling
(improves the physical qubit error
rate)



Carr – Purcell (– Meiboom – Gill) Sequence

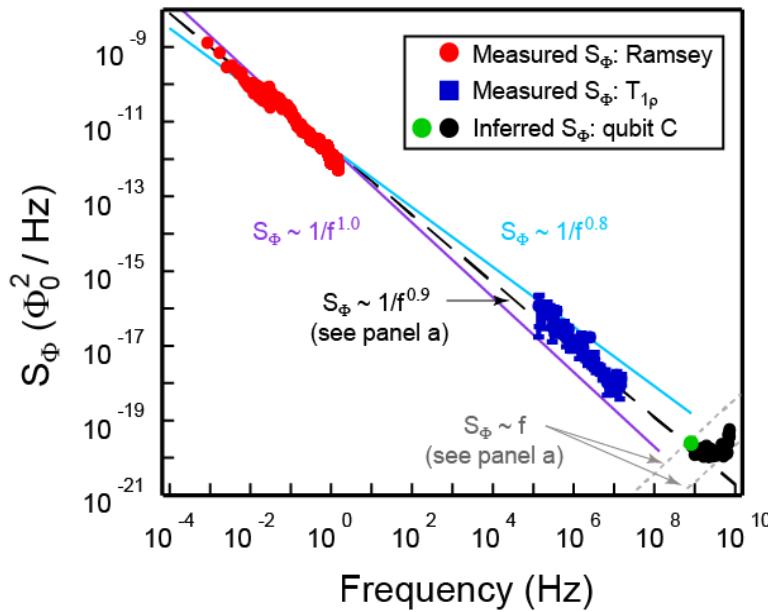


Noise-Shaping Filter Functions



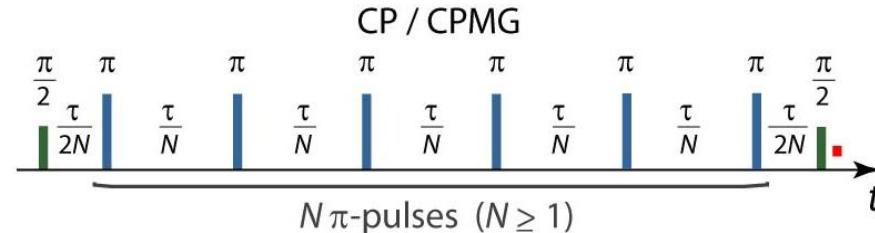
Noise Spectroscopy

Qubit Noise Spectroscopy Filter Engineering & Optimal Control

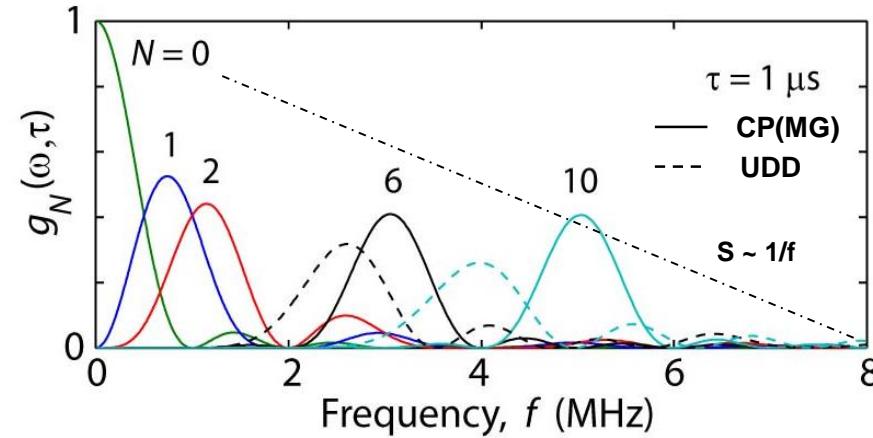


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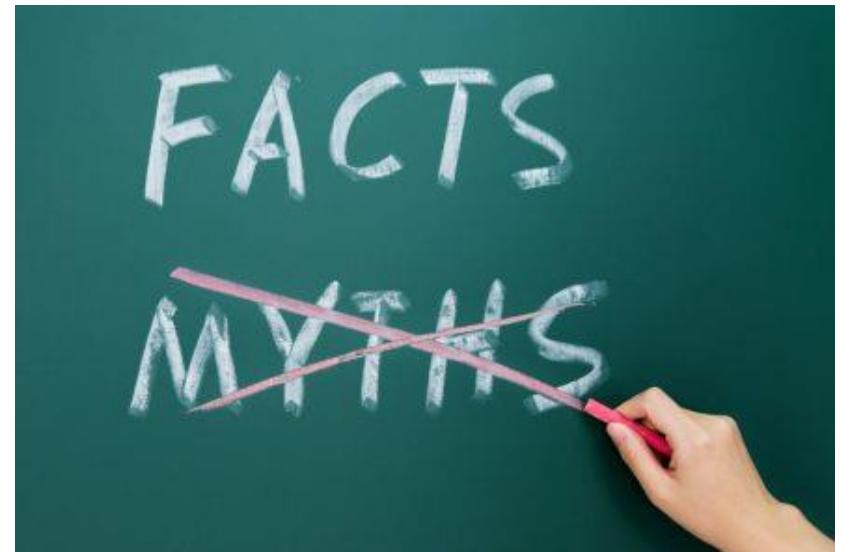
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Dispelling Myths About QC

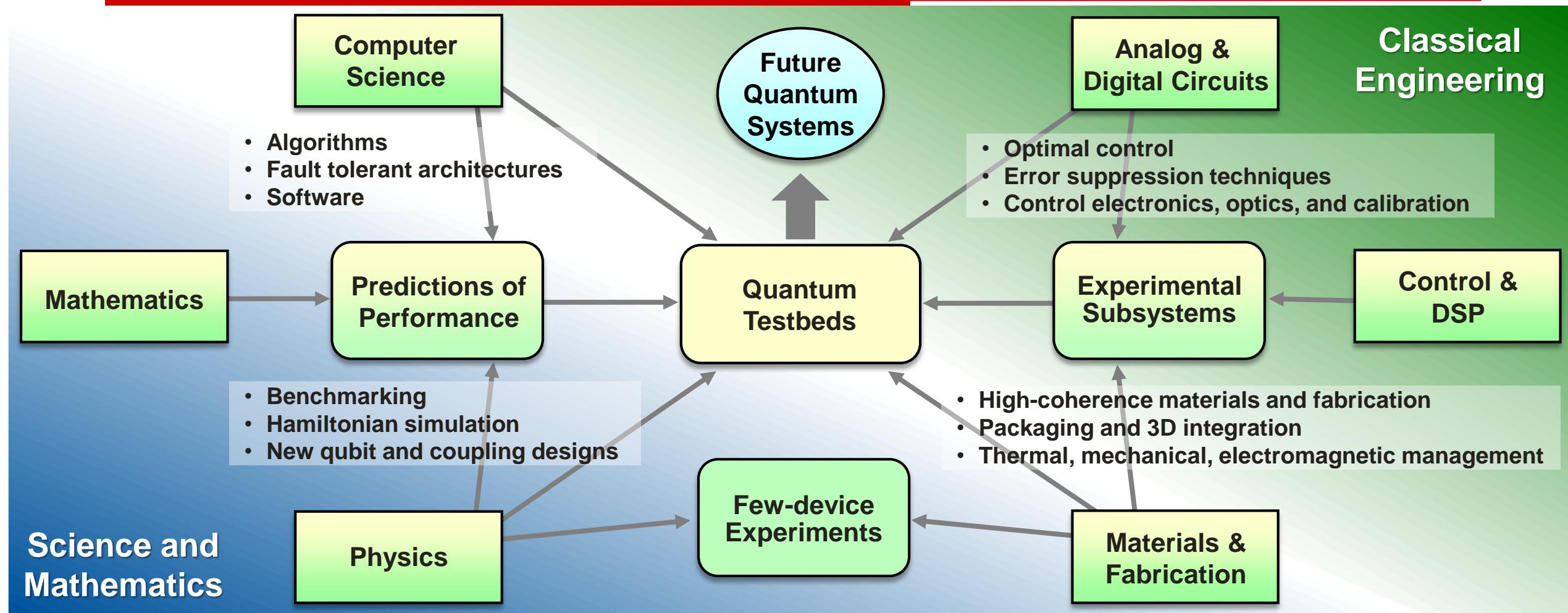
- Quantum computers will not replace classical computers

- Quantum computers will not break encryption soon
 - RSA 2048-bit keys: around 4000 error corrected qubits
 - Bitcoin encryption: around 2300 error corrected qubits

- However, one should not wait until a quantum computer can break RSA to switch to post-quantum encryption



Quantum Engineering



Quantum Engineering is the bridge connecting science, mathematics, and classical engineering

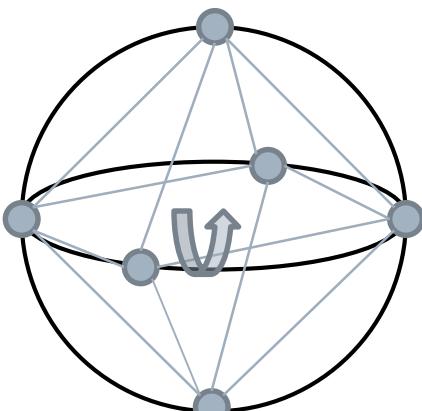
Randomized Benchmarking

- Single-qubit randomized benchmarking



Clifford gate \mathcal{C}

- 1QB Clifford: rotate between octahedral points on the Bloch Sphere.
- More generally, normalizer of the Pauli group $\{I, X, Y, Z\}$.



- Goal: estimate the average error rates of quantum gates.

- (Clifford-based) Randomized Benchmarking [1,2,3]

- Initialize qubits at the ground state.
- Apply m randomly chosen Clifford gates ($\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2, \dots, \mathcal{C}_m$).
- At the end, apply the inverse gate s.t. the entire operation = Identity.
- Measure the survival probability of the ground state (= “sequence fidelity” F_{seq}).
 - ✓ In the absence of error $\rightarrow F_{\text{seq}} = 1$.
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- Twirling over Cliffords \rightarrow Depolarization of the gate error [1,2,3]

$$\rho \rightarrow p\rho + \frac{(1-p)}{2^n} I \quad (n: \# \text{ of qubits})$$

- F_{seq} will decay exponentially as $F_{\text{seq}} = Ap^m + B$.
- The average error rate per Clifford r_{Clifford} is related to p as

$$r_{\text{Clifford}} = (1-p) \times \frac{2^n - 1}{2^n}$$

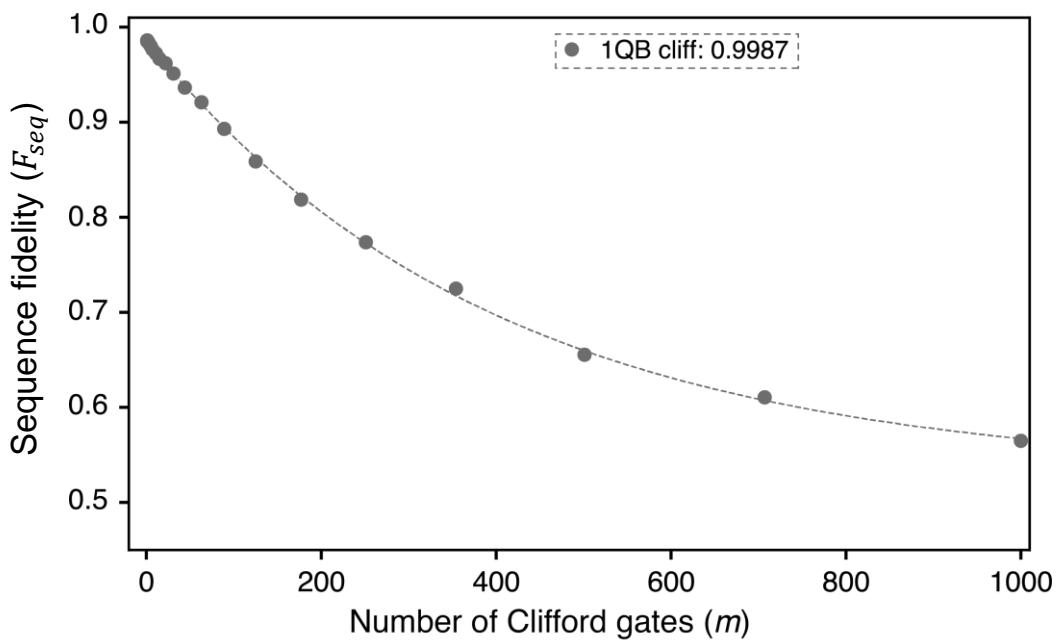
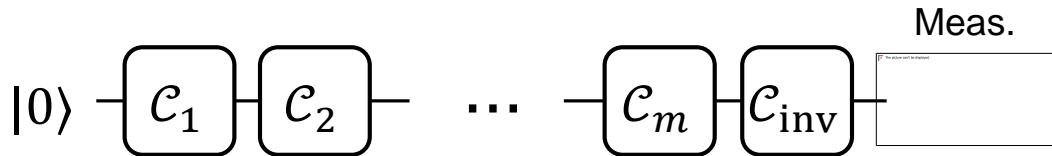
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- Measurement of the avg. error rate per 1QB Clifford
 - Fit F_{seq} with exponential ($f(x) = Ae^{Bx} + C$).
 - Extract depolarizing rate p , where $p = e^B$.
 - A, C : absorbs the SPAM error.
 - The average error rate per 1QB Clifford gate r ,

$$r_{\text{Clifford}} = (1 - p) \times \frac{2^n - 1}{2^n} = \frac{1 - p}{2}$$

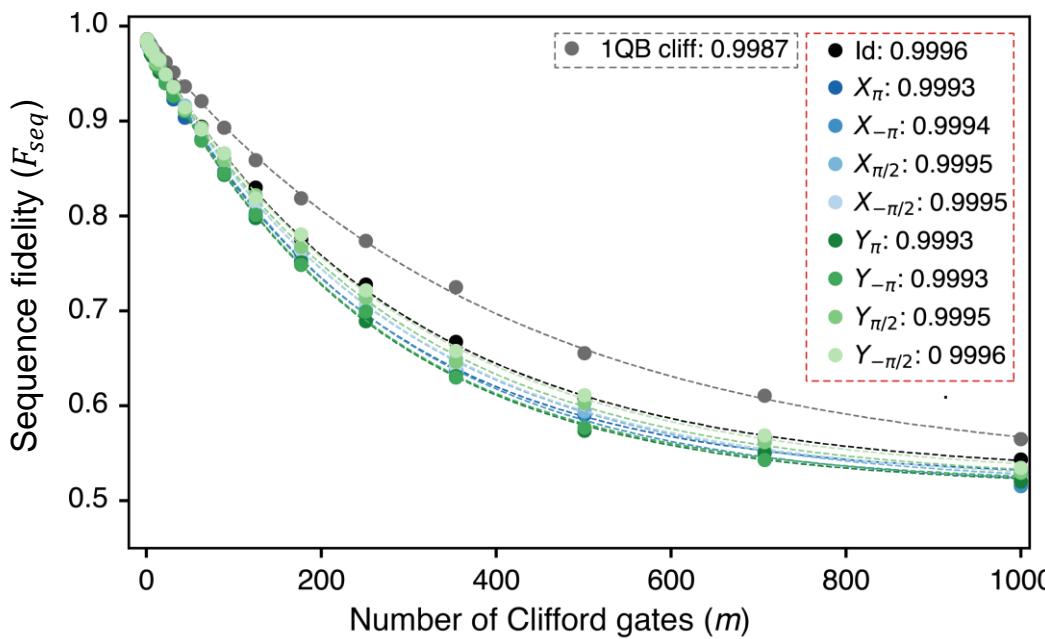
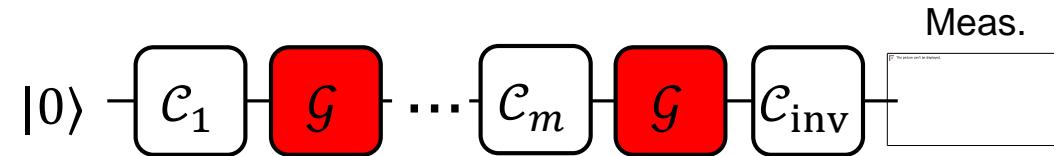
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Interleaved Randomized Benchmarking

- Reference (1QB) randomized benchmarking ($F_{\text{seq, ref}}$)



- Interleaved (1QB) randomized benchmarking ($F_{\text{seq, int}}$)



- Interleaved Randomized Benchmarking [1,2]
 - Interleave **gate of interest \mathcal{G}** at every Clifford ($\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2, \dots, \mathcal{C}_m$).
 - Compare it to the reference RB to extract the error rate of \mathcal{G} .
 - $F_{\text{seq, ref}} = A p_{\text{ref}}^m + B$ (reference curve)
 - $F_{\text{seq, int}} = A' (p_{\text{ref}} p_g)^m + B' \equiv A' p_{\text{int}}^m + B'$ (interleaved curve)
- The average error rate per interleaved gate r_{int} ,

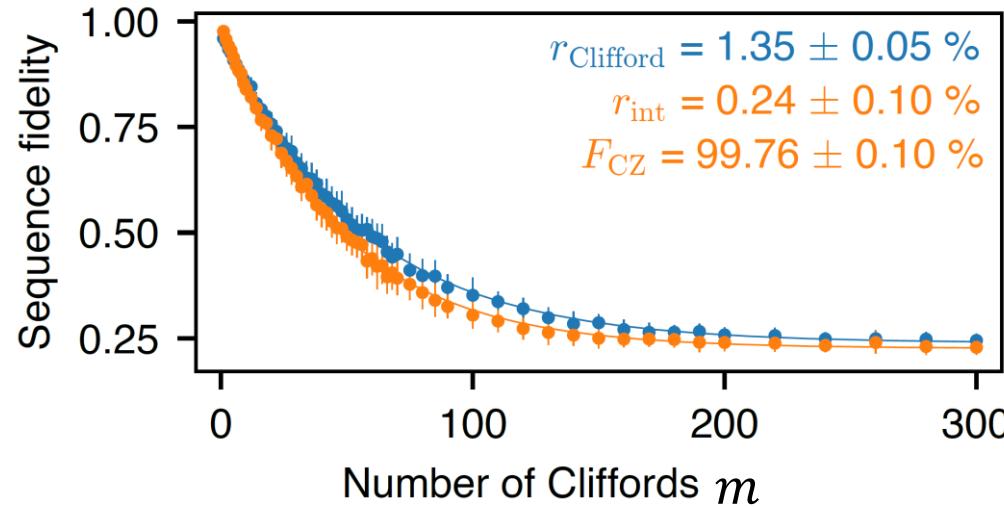
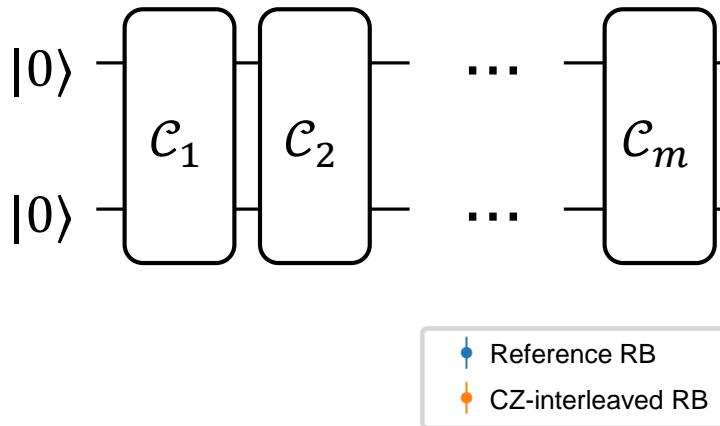
$$r_{\text{int}} = (1 - p_g) \times \frac{2^n - 1}{2^n} = \left(1 - \frac{p_{\text{int}}}{p_{\text{ref}}}\right) \times \frac{2^n - 1}{2^n}$$

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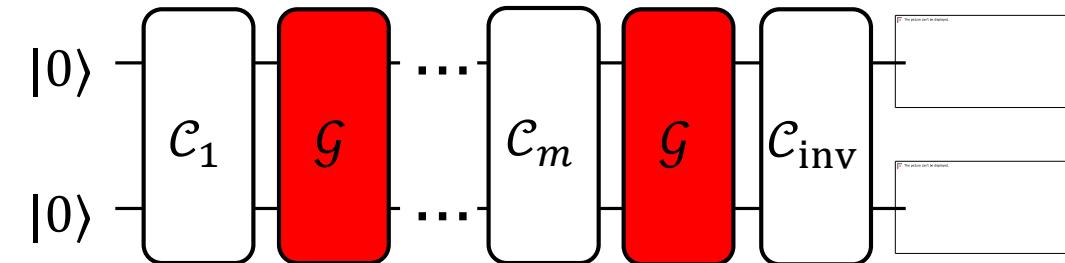
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Two-Qubit Randomized Benchmarking

- Reference (2QB) randomized benchmarking ($F_{\text{seq, ref}}$)



- Interleaved (2QB) randomized benchmarking ($F_{\text{seq, int}}$)



- Measurement of the avg. error rate per interleaved gate

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- The average error rate per interleaved gate (CZ) r_{int} ,

$$r_{\text{int}} = \left(1 - \frac{p_{\text{int}}}{p_{\text{ref}}}\right) \times \frac{2^n - 1}{2^n} = \left(1 - \frac{p_{\text{int}}}{p_{\text{ref}}}\right) \times \frac{3}{4}$$

- **Avg. CZ fidelity** $F_{\text{CZ}} = 1 - r_{\text{int}}$